



*Public attitudes towards elections in Georgia:*  
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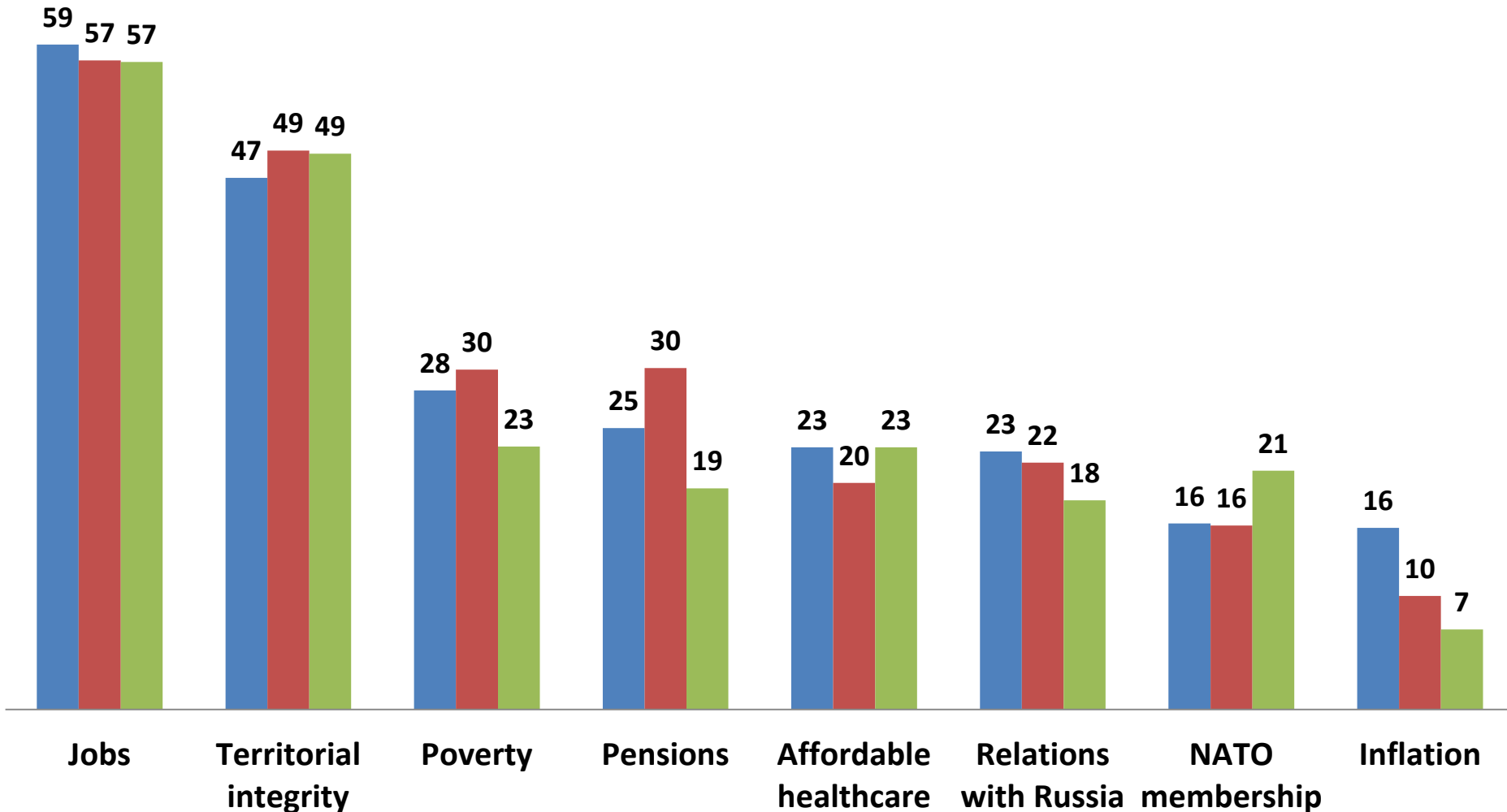
# Methodology

- This research has been conducted in three waves: May 09 (EPF), December 09 (Sida), April 2010 (Sida)
- In slides that show all three waves the first column is the first wave.
- Fieldwork dates:
  - 1st wave: 19 – 27 November 2008
  - 2nd wave: 19-25 May 2009
  - 3rd wave: 26 November – 5 December, 2009
  - **4th wave: 11-26 April 2010**
- Face to face interview method
- The questionnaire was largely the same for all three waves
  - In the second wave questions were added about the post-election environment
  - In the third wave questions were added about contact between citizens and politicians and about the conflict
- Sample size:
  - 1st wave: 2480
  - Including a freestanding post election survey in Adjara
  - 2nd wave: 1836
  - Including representative samples of Tbilisi and outside of Tbilisi
  - 3rd wave: 2096
  - Including an oversample of Tbilisi
  - **4th wave: 2378**
  - **Including an oversample of Tbilisi**
- Margin of error: +/- 3%

# National and Local Issues

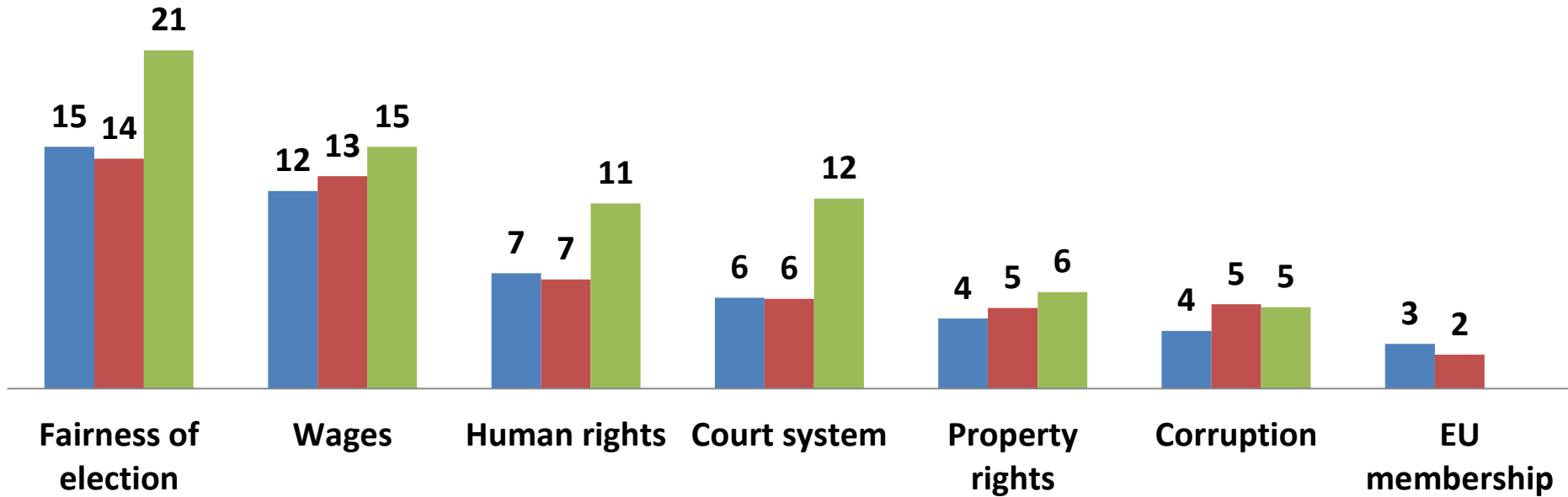
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■ Apr. 10 ■ Dec. 09 ■ May 09



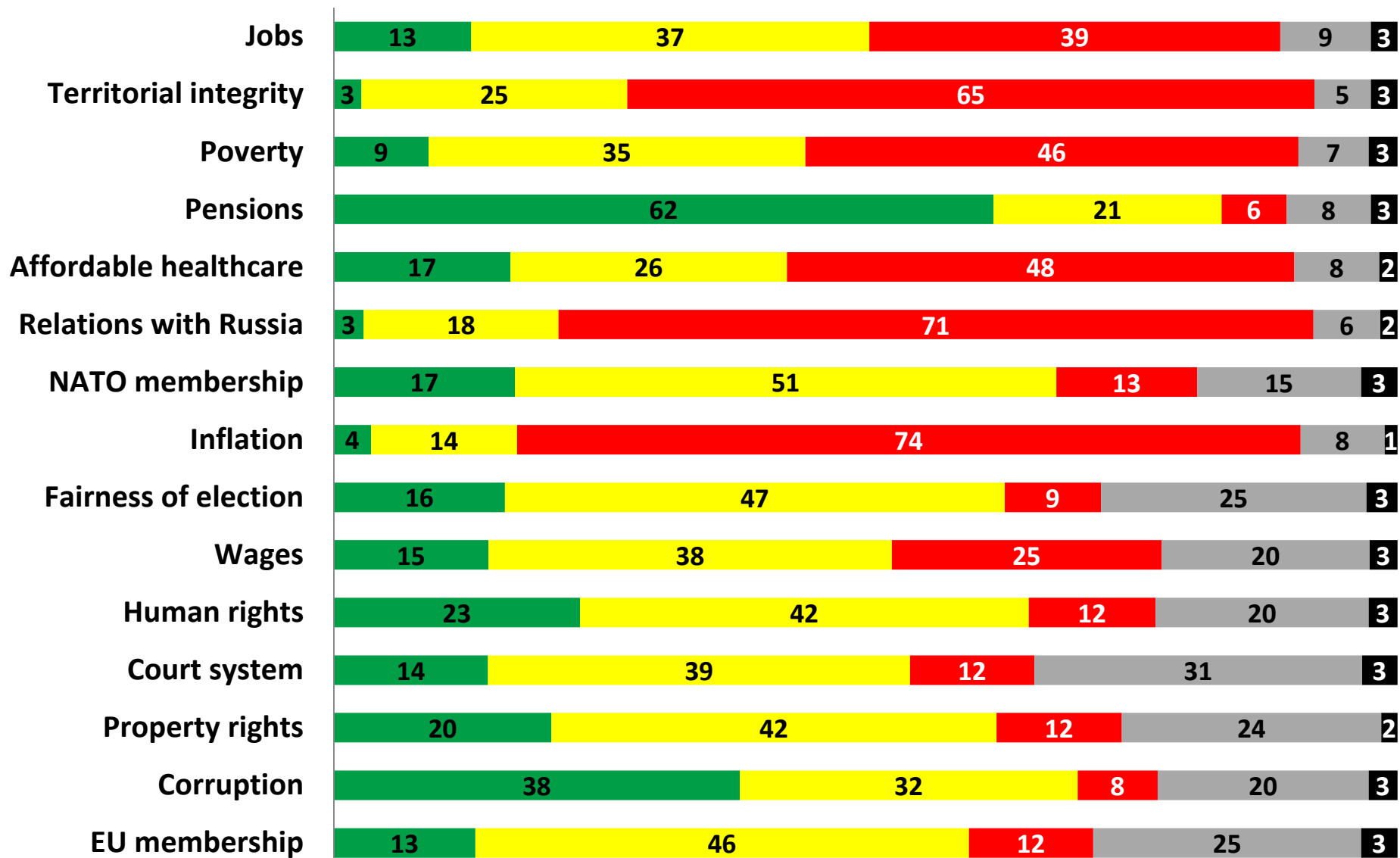
# Q1. Most important national issues (part 2)

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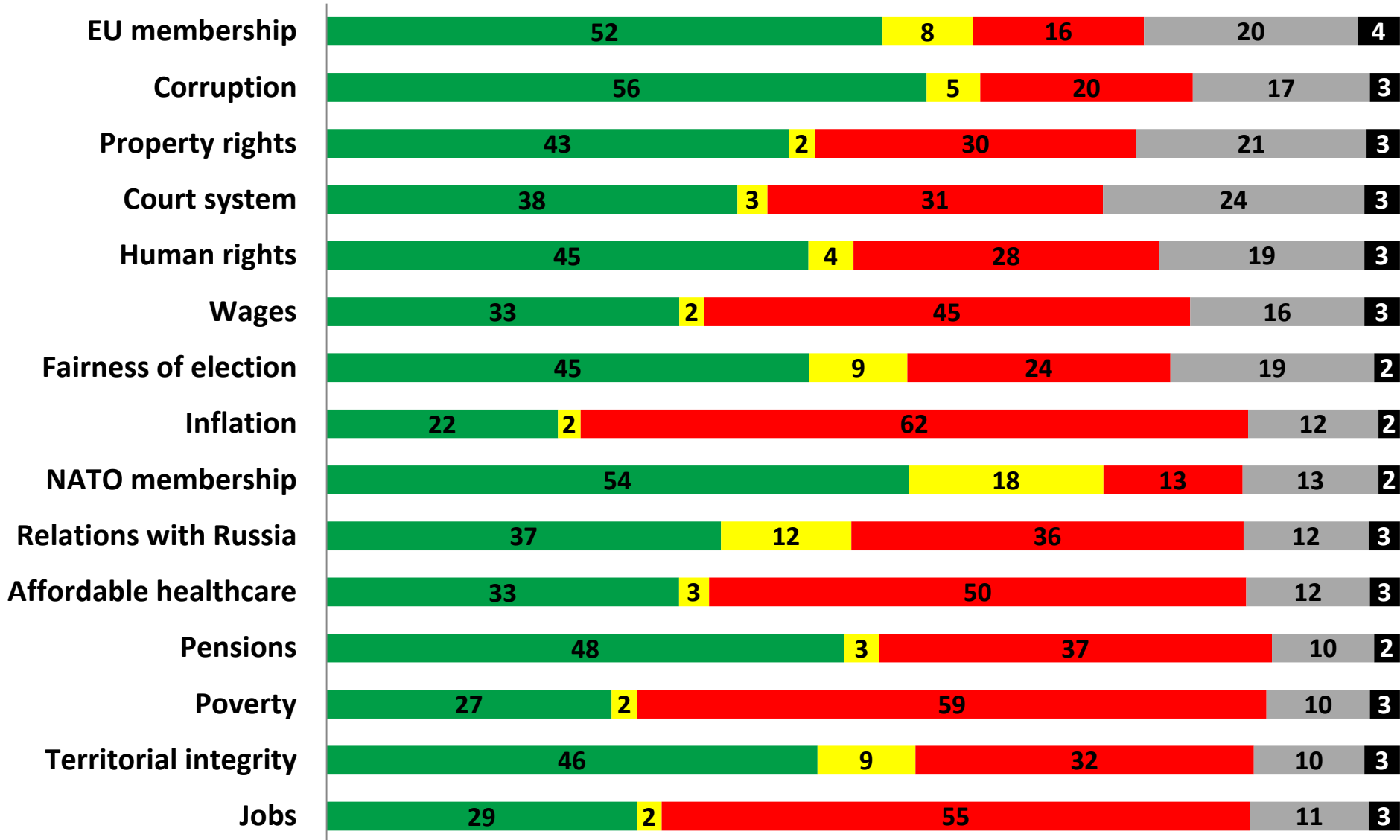
## Q2. How do you think the situation has changed in Georgia? Compared to January 2008, is ...

■ Better
 ■ Same
 ■ Worse
 ■ DK
 ■ RA

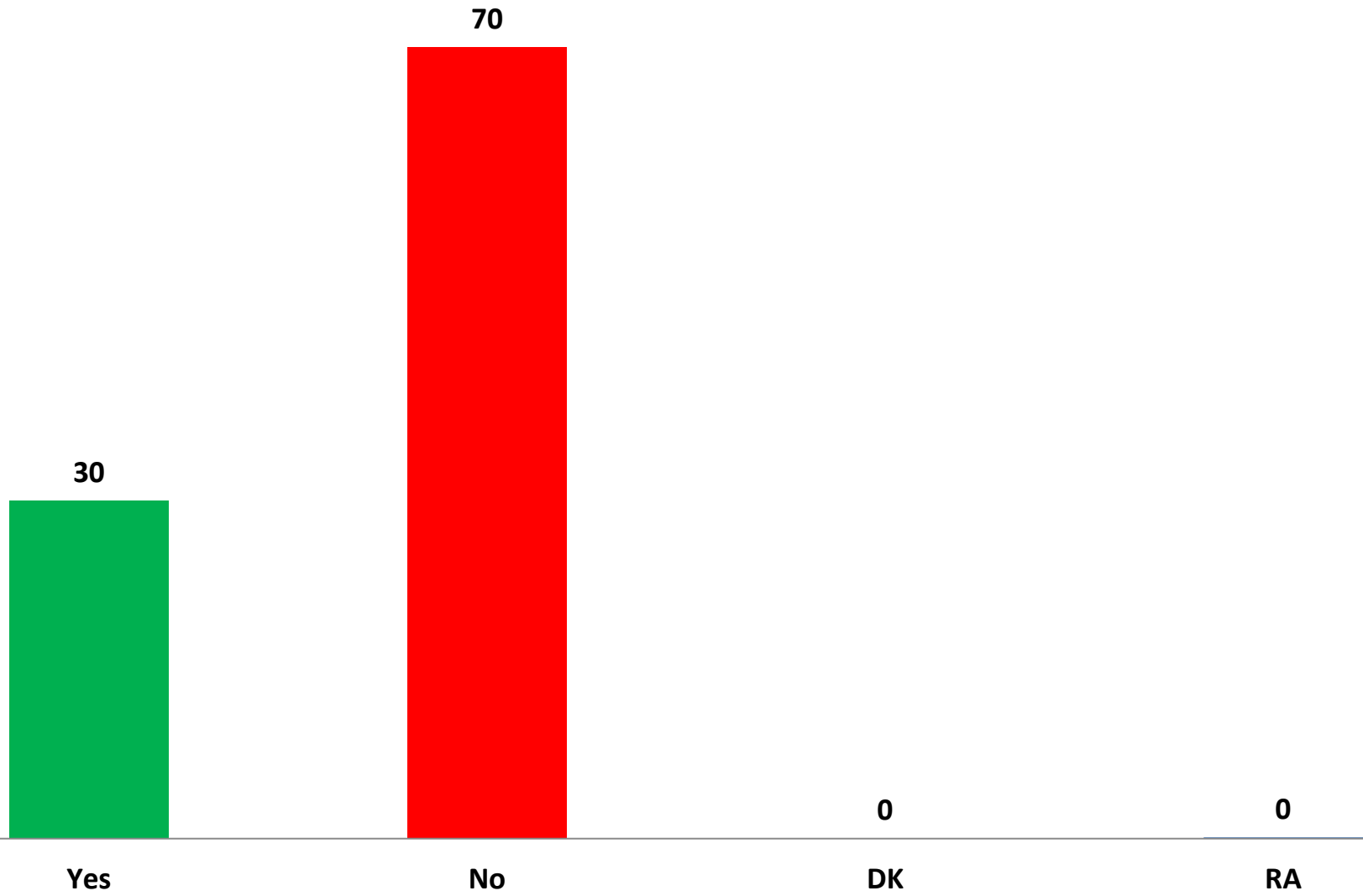


# Q3. Politicians in Georgia talk about . . . enough, too much, or too little?

■ Enough  
 ■ Too much  
 ■ Too little  
 ■ DK  
 ■ RA

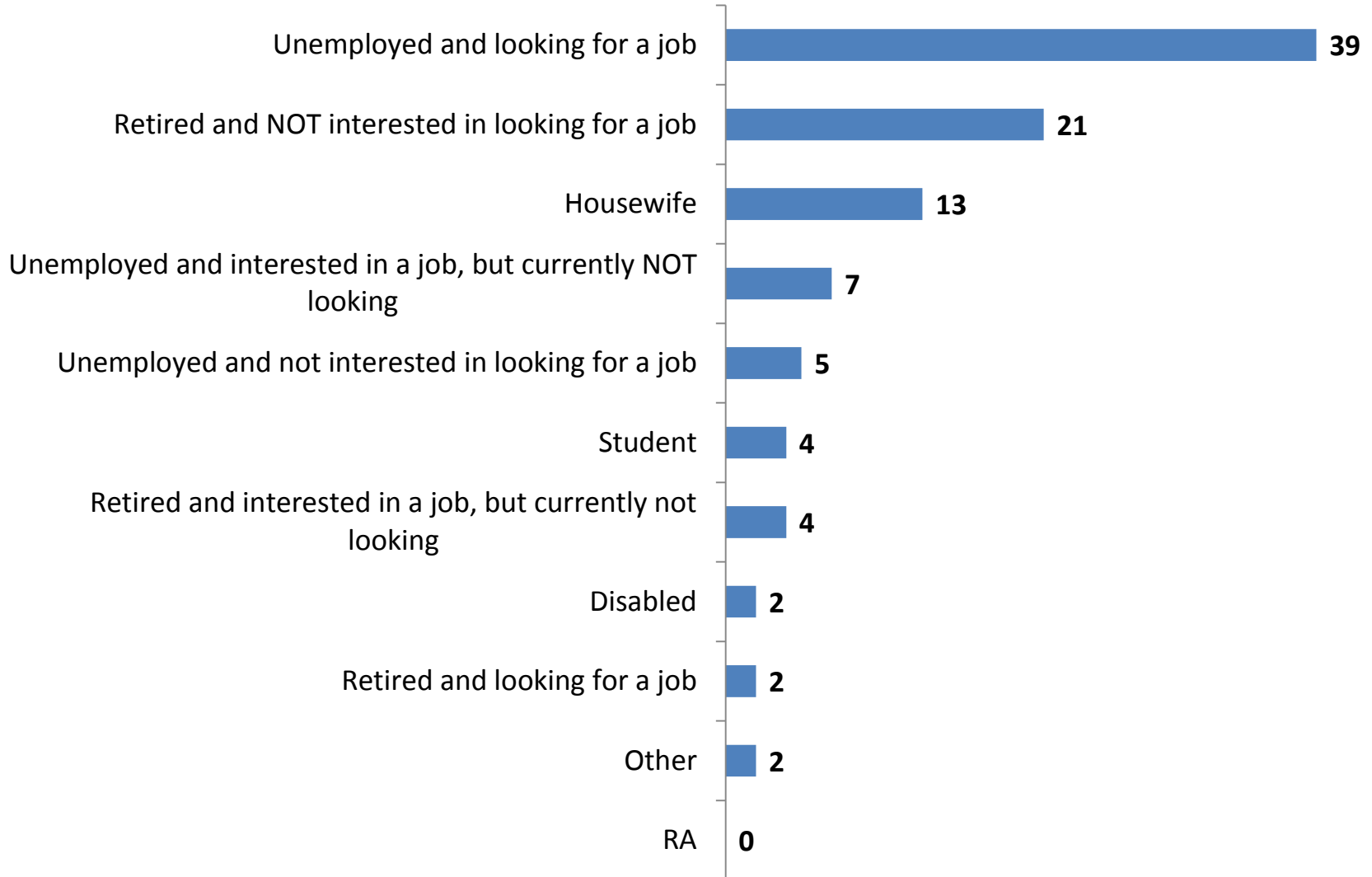


# Do you consider yourself to be employed? National (91)

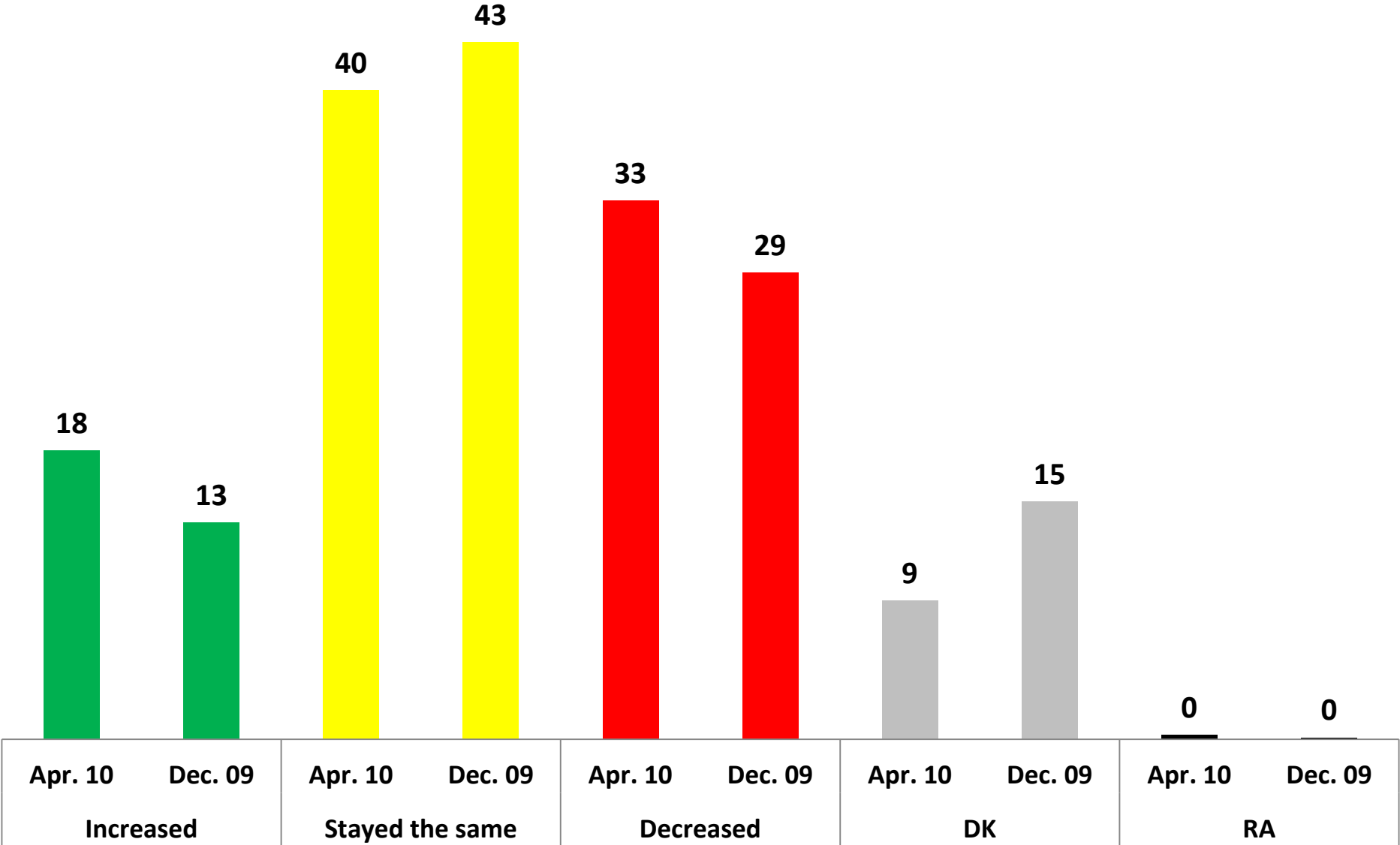




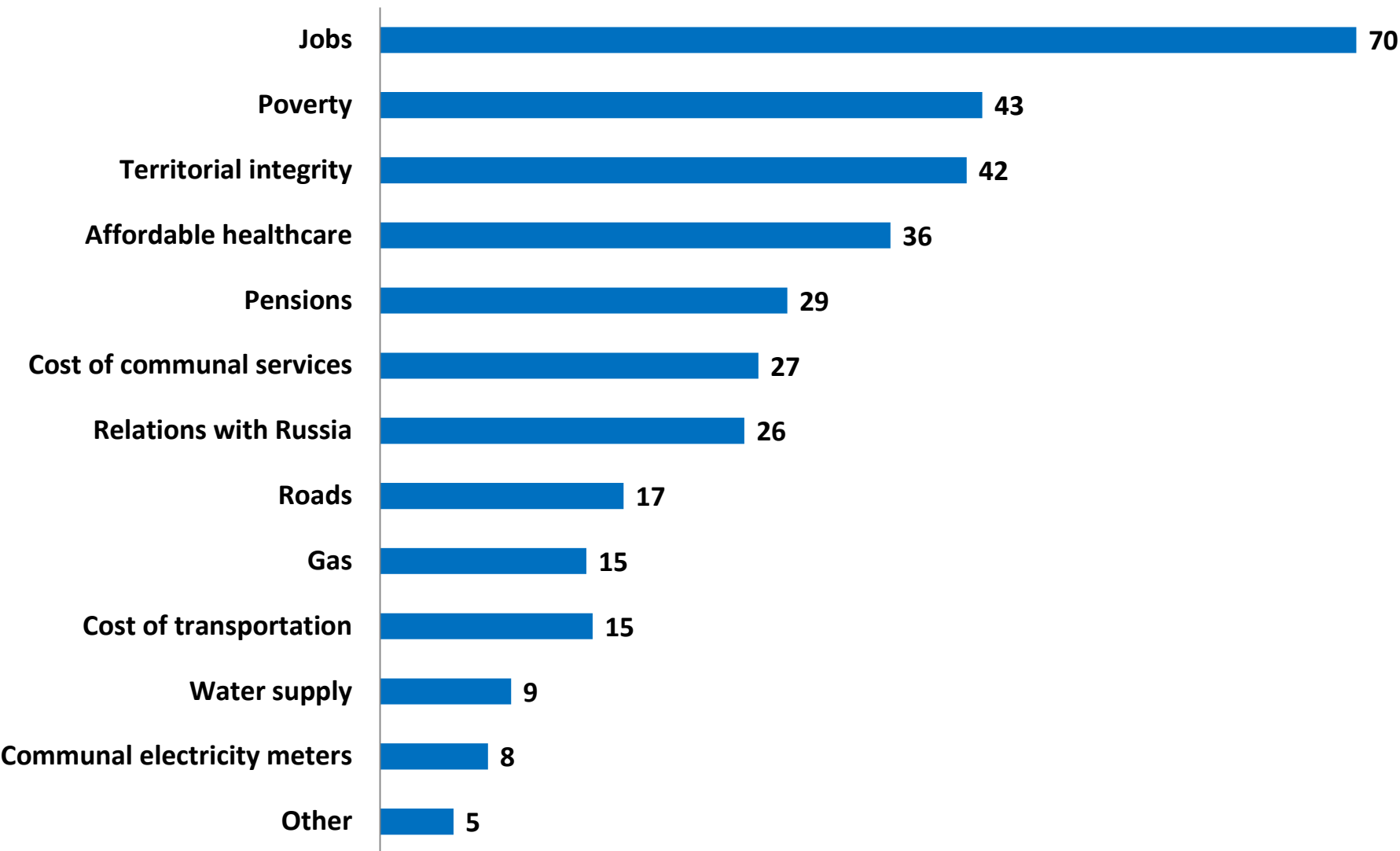
# Which of the following best describes your situation? National (92)



# Q26. After the presidential elections of January 2008 has the number of jobs available in Georgia ...

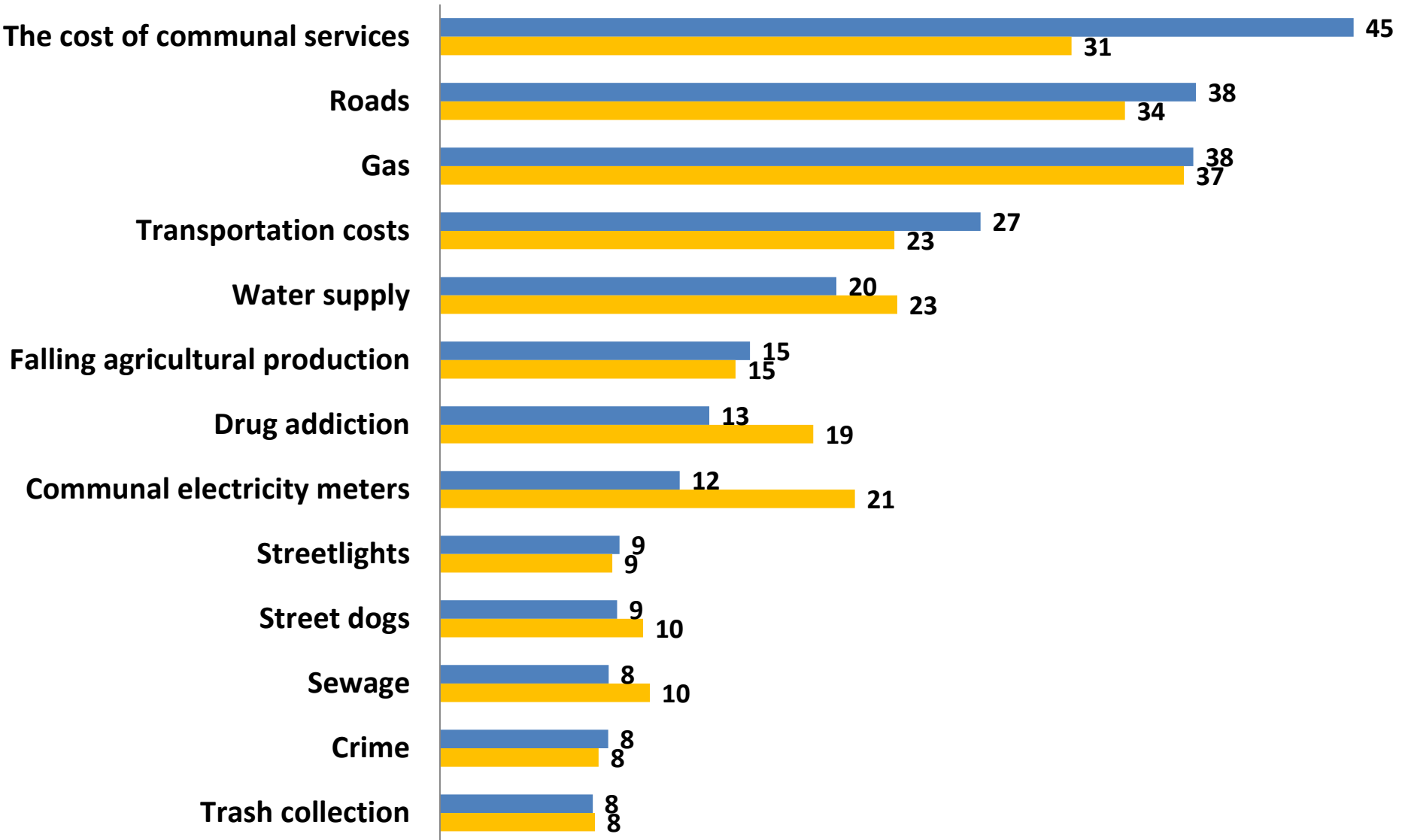


# What issues would you want the party/candidate you support to focus on if they won the local elections? National (80)



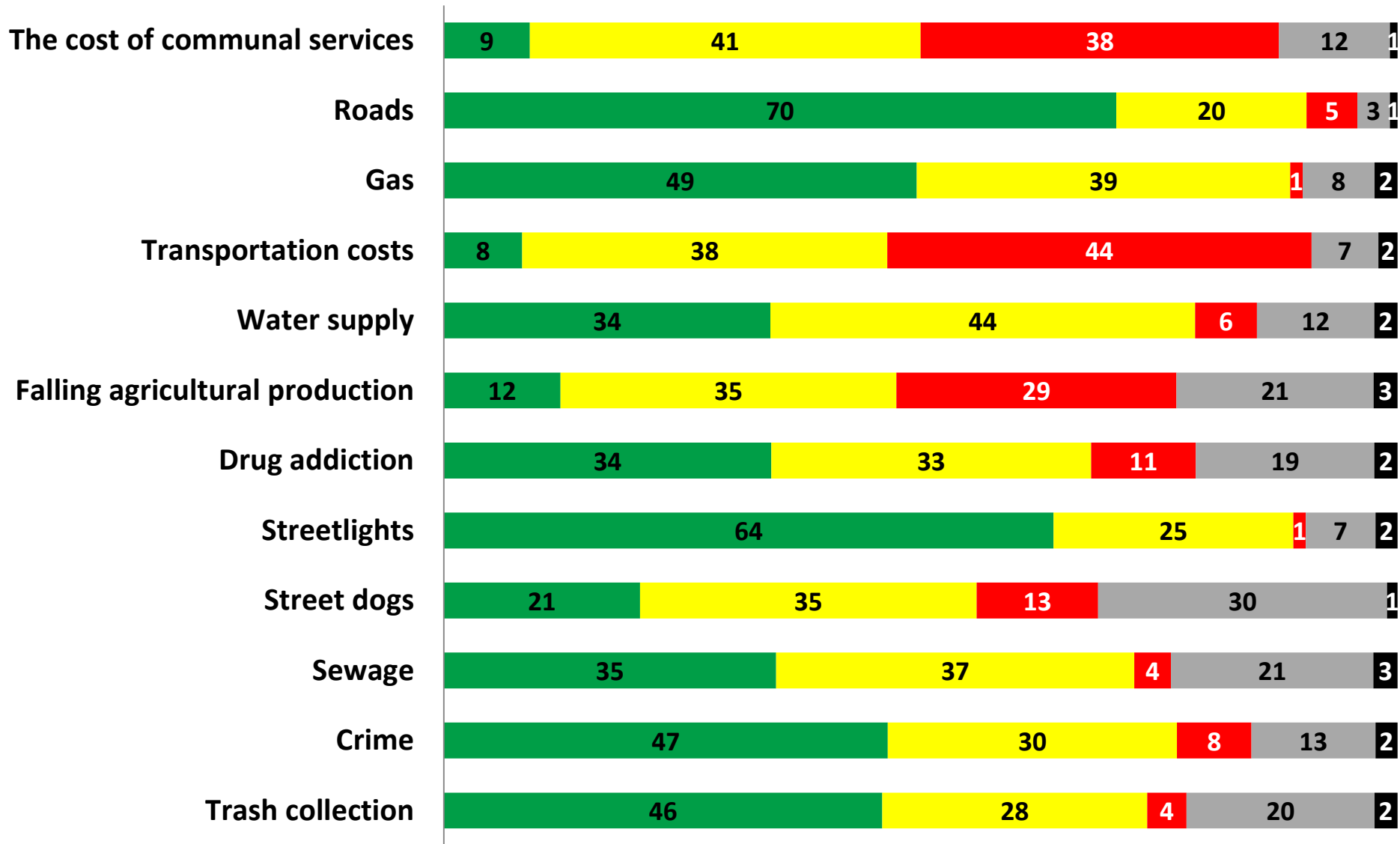
# Q4. Most important local issues

■ Apr. 10 ■ Dec. 09



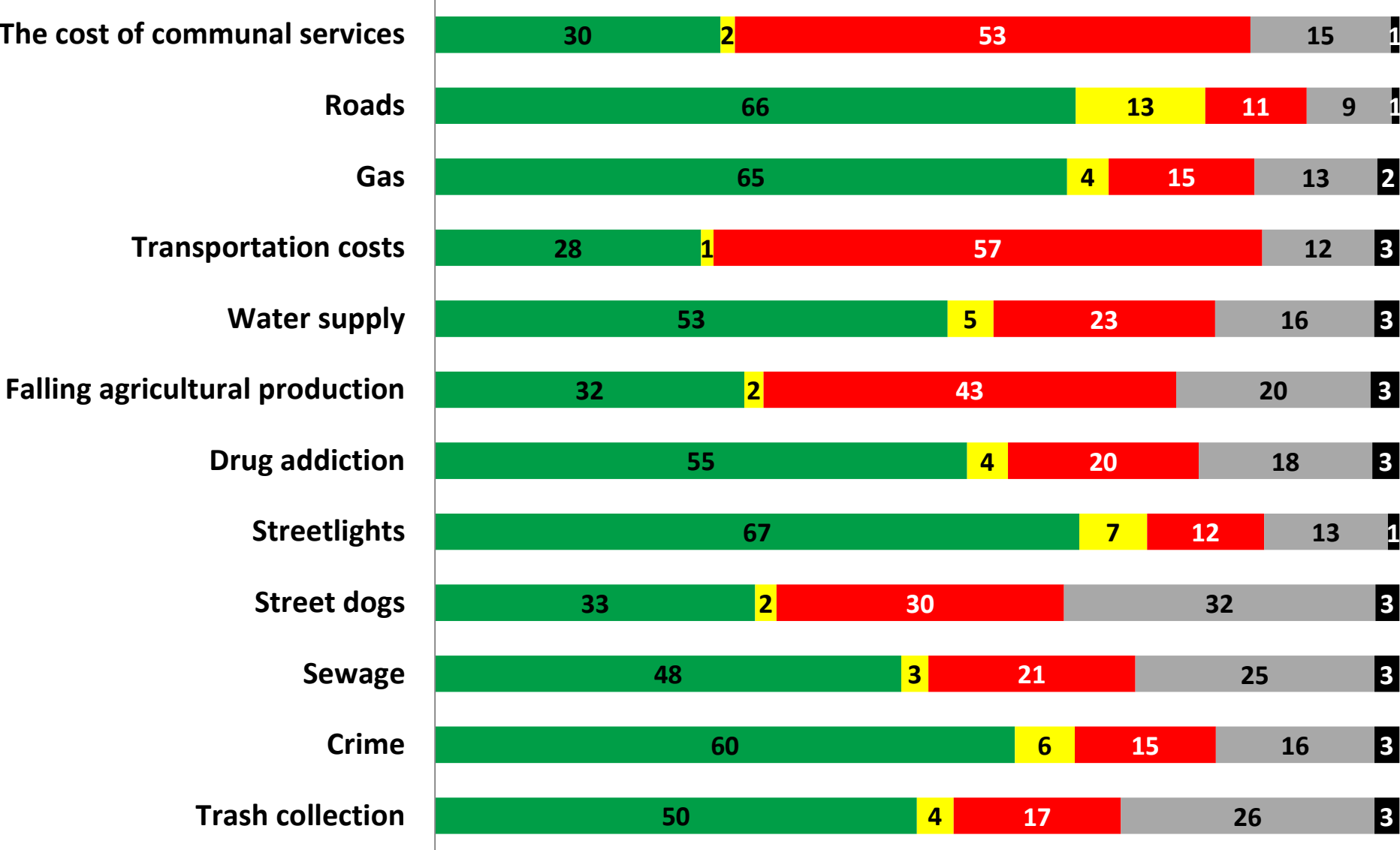
# Q5. How do you think the situation has changed in Georgia? Compared to January 2008 is. . .

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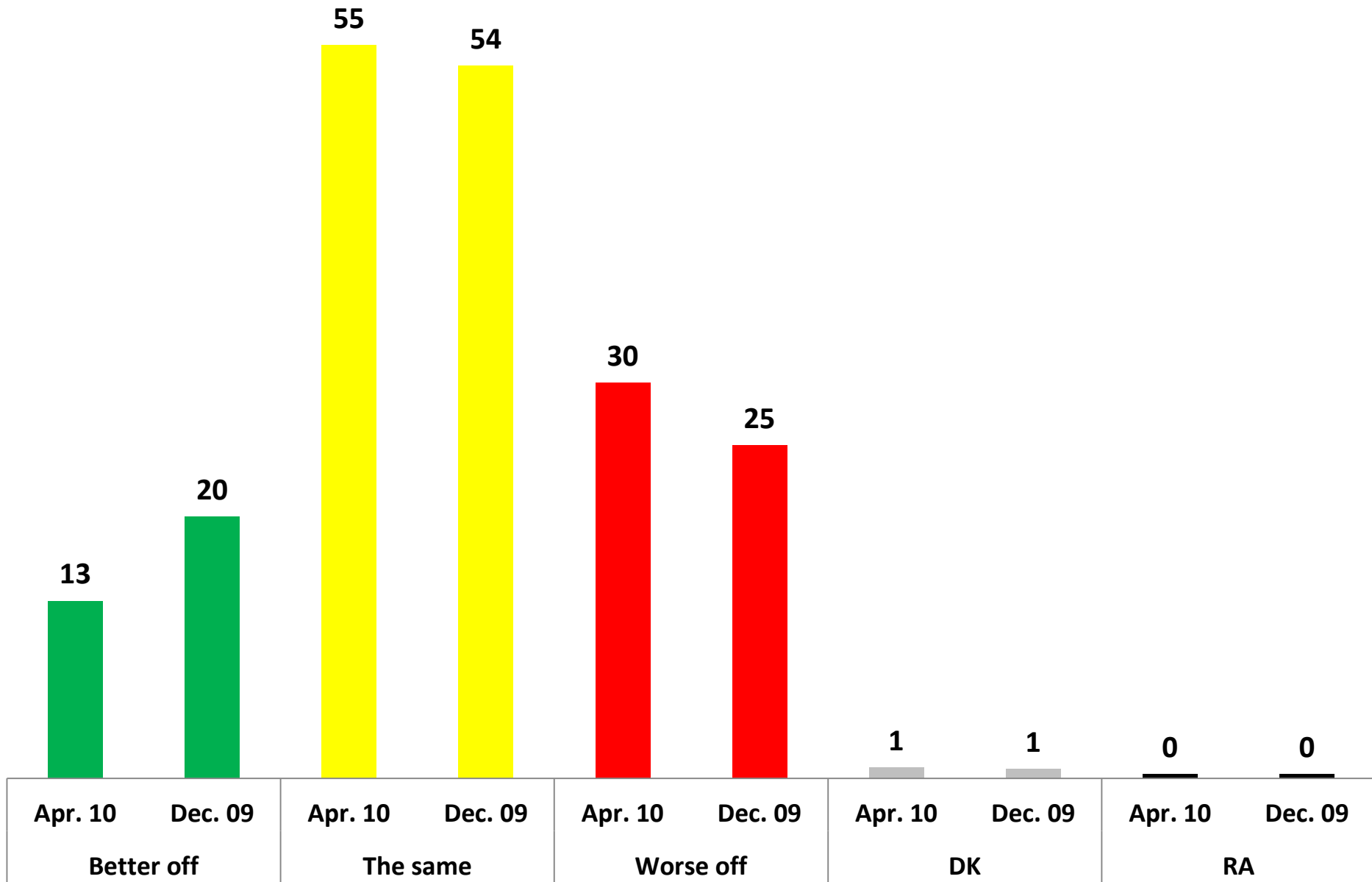


# Q6. Politicians in Georgia talk about . . . the right amount, too much, or too little?

■ Enough 
 ■ Too much 
 ■ Too little 
 ■ DK 
 ■ RA

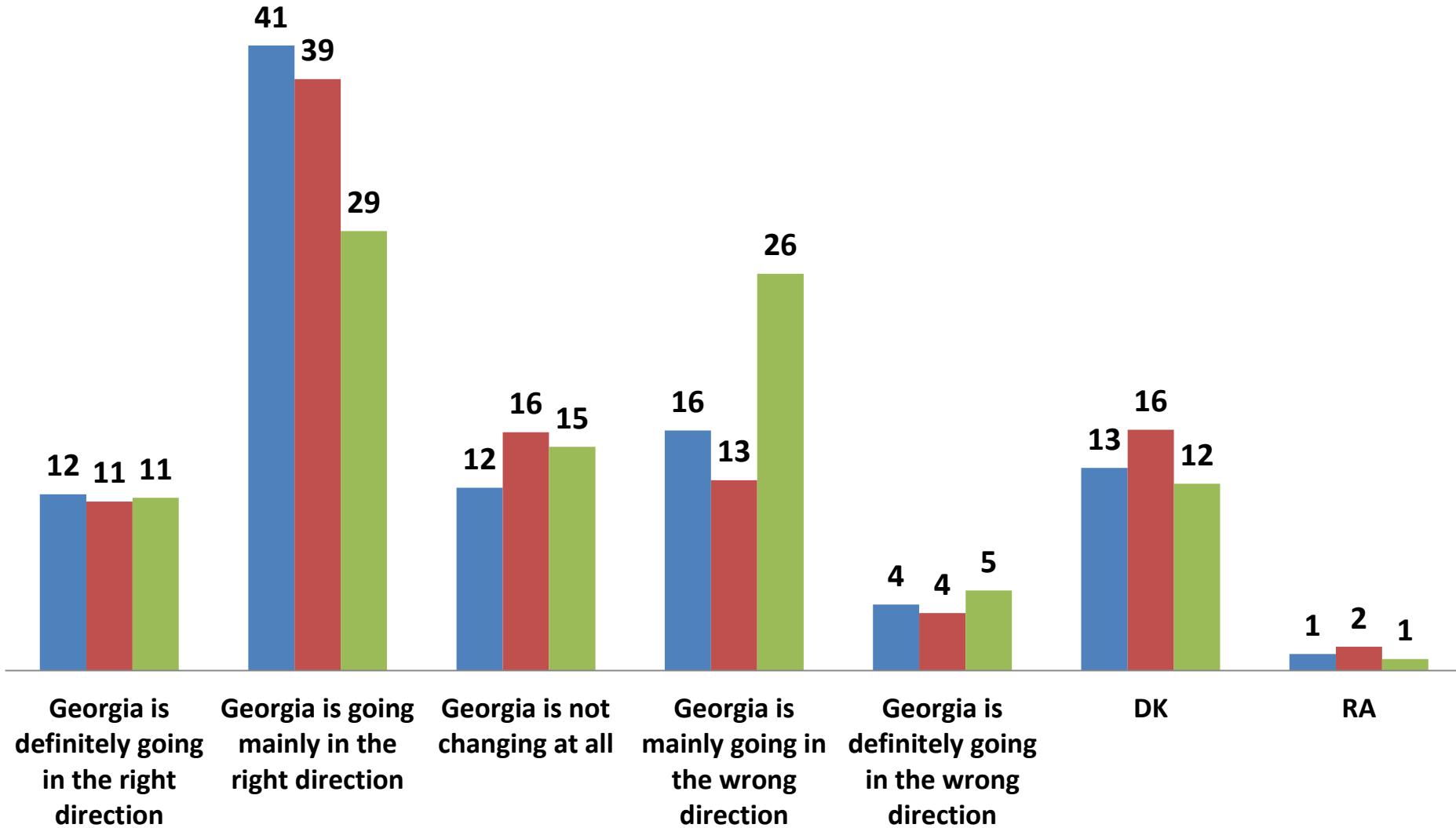


# Q22. Since January 2008 are you and your household...



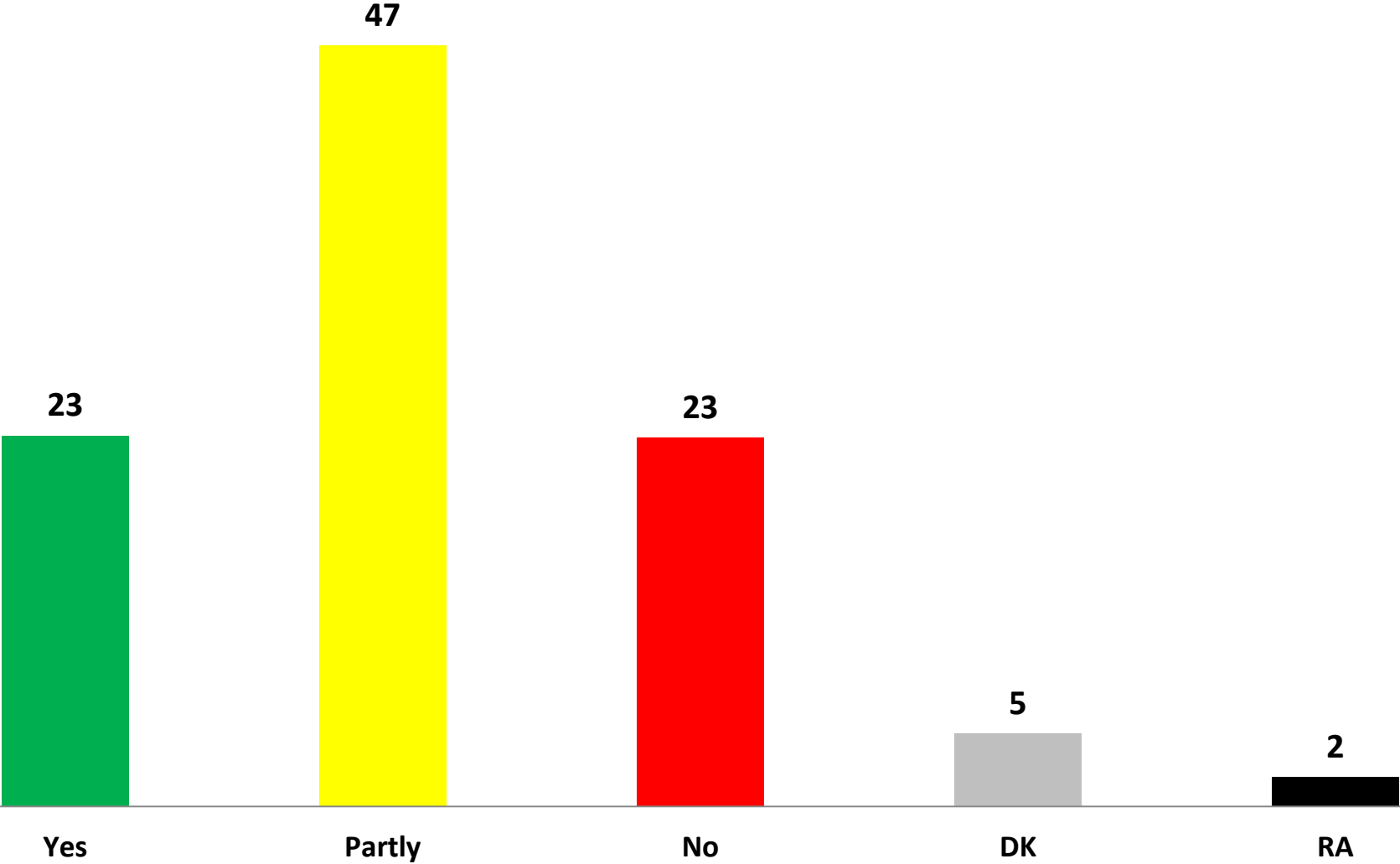
# Q23. Which direction Georgia is going in?

■ Apr. 10 ■ Dec. 09 ■ May 09





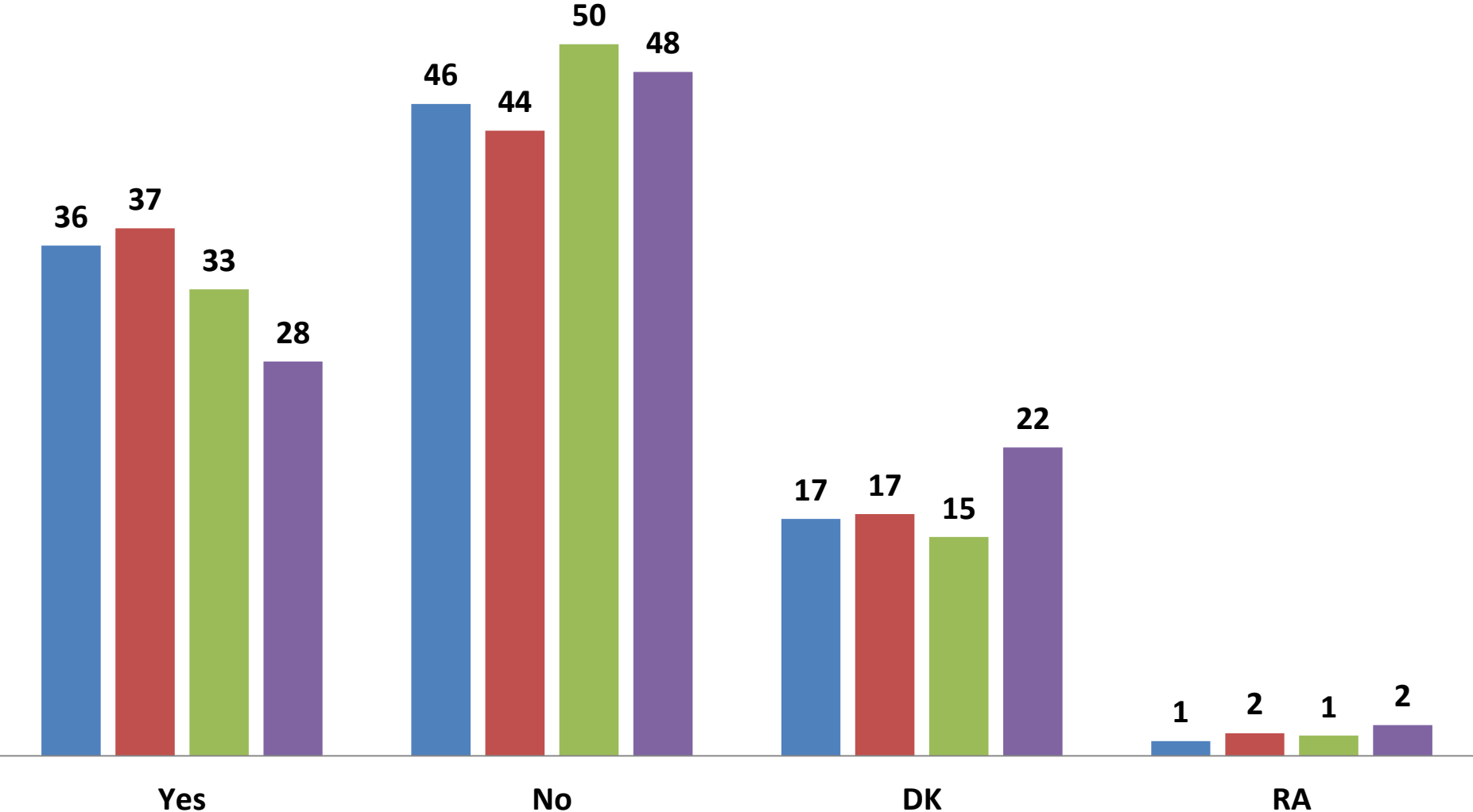
**Do you agree that the current government is making the changes that matter to you? National (59)**



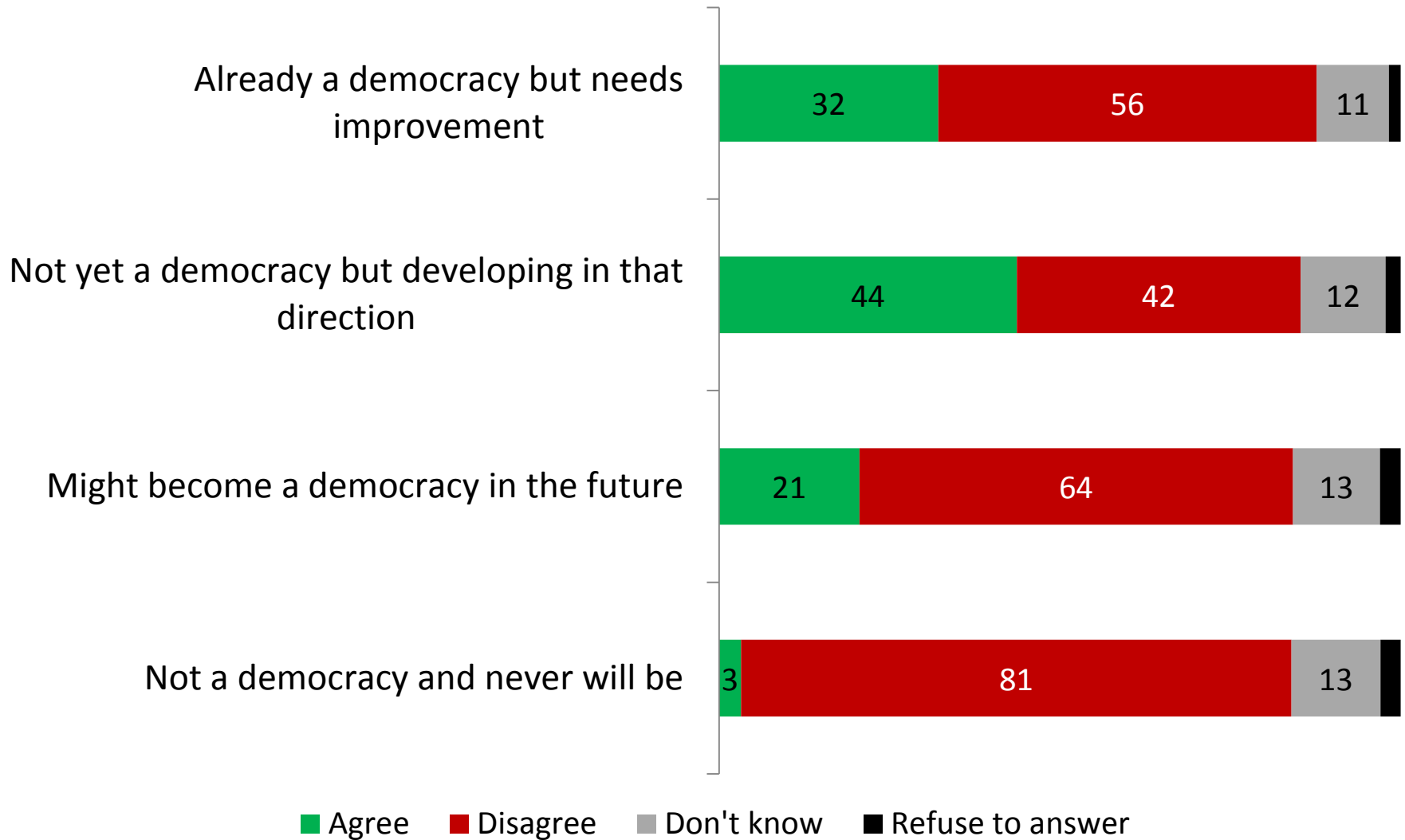
# Democracy and Reforms

# Q38. Is Georgia a democracy now?

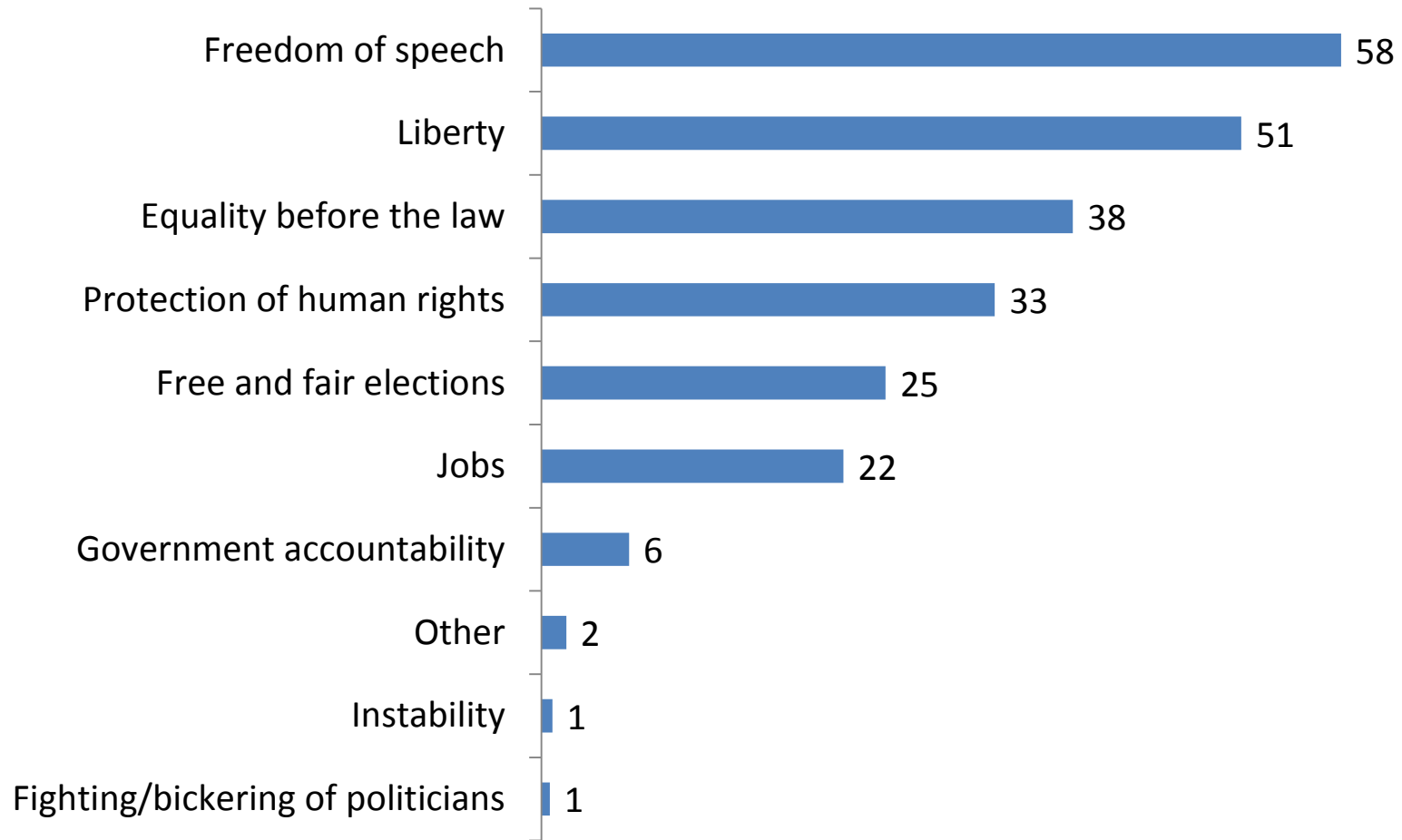
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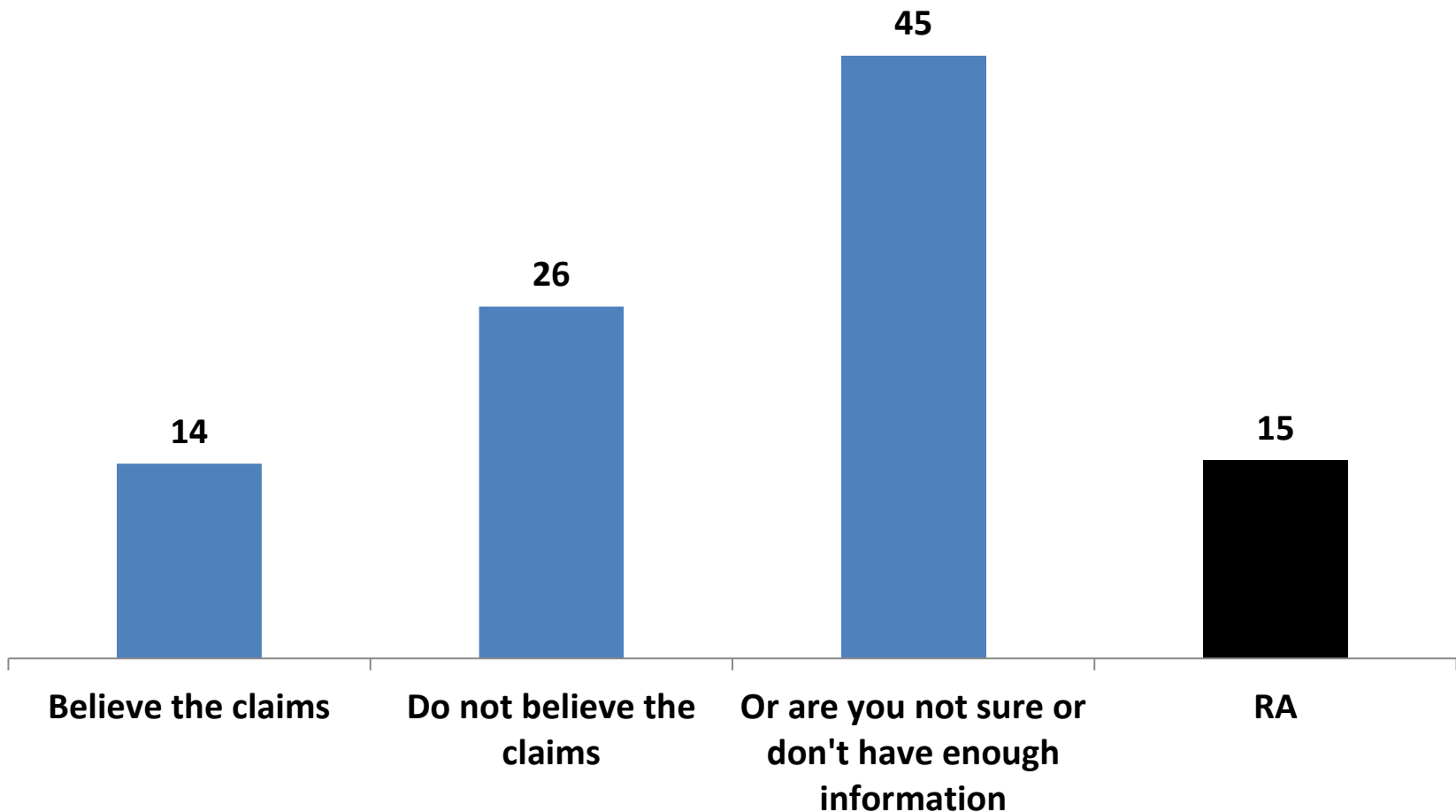
# Do you agree or disagree with the following statements? (q39)



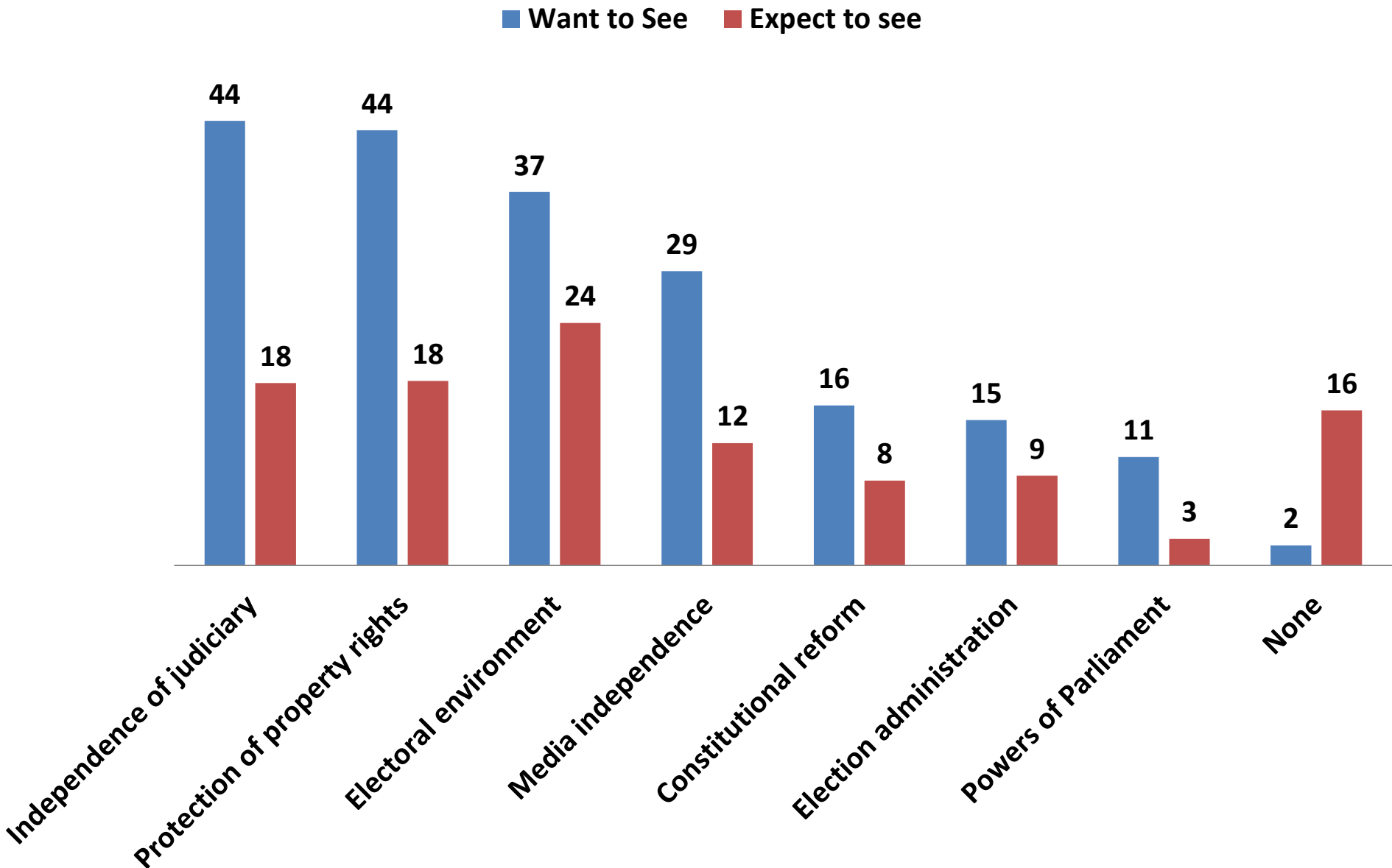
# What does democracy mean to you? (q37)



**There have been news reports in which opposition parties claim that their supporters have been arrested for political reasons. Which options best supports your viewpoint? Do you... (q36)**



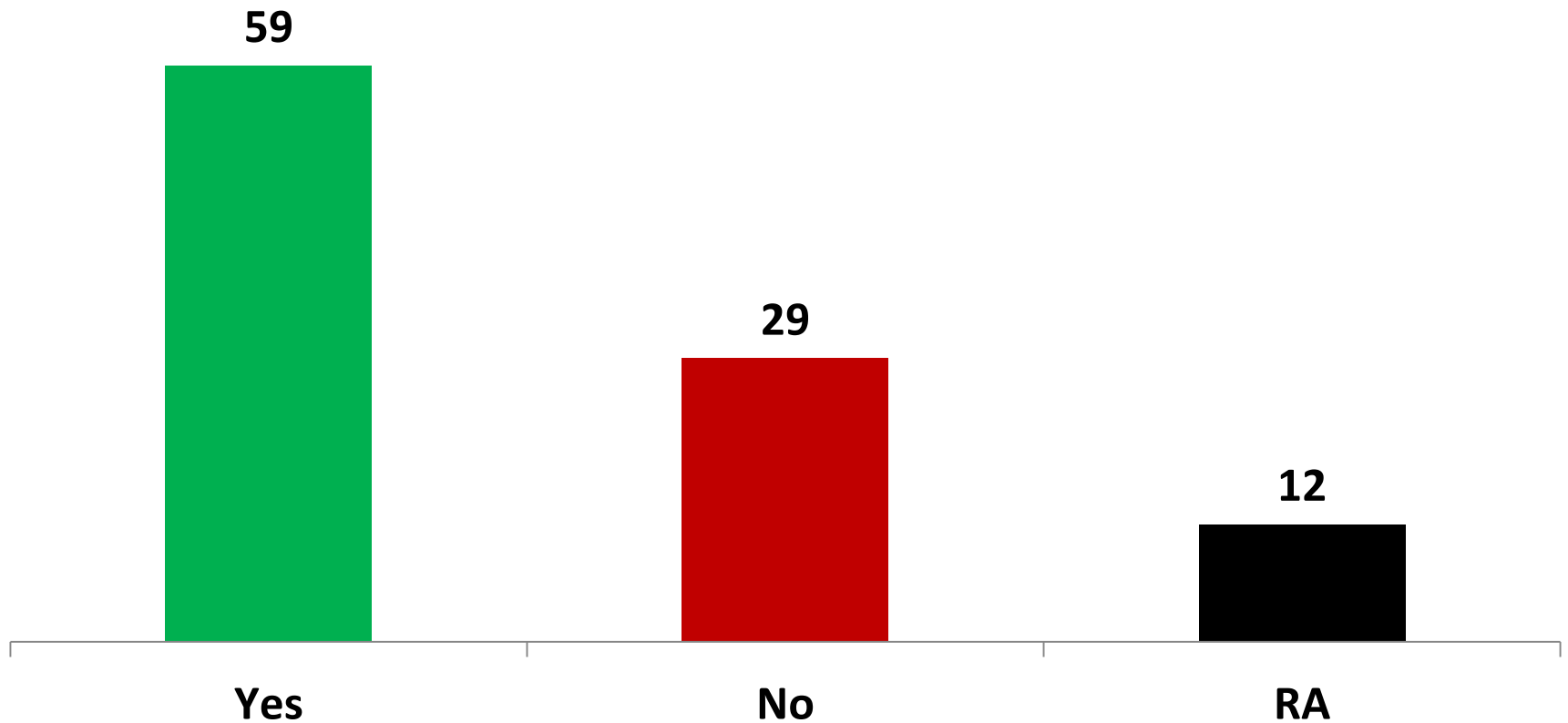
# Q. 24/25 Which political reforms do you want/expect to see achieved in the next six months?



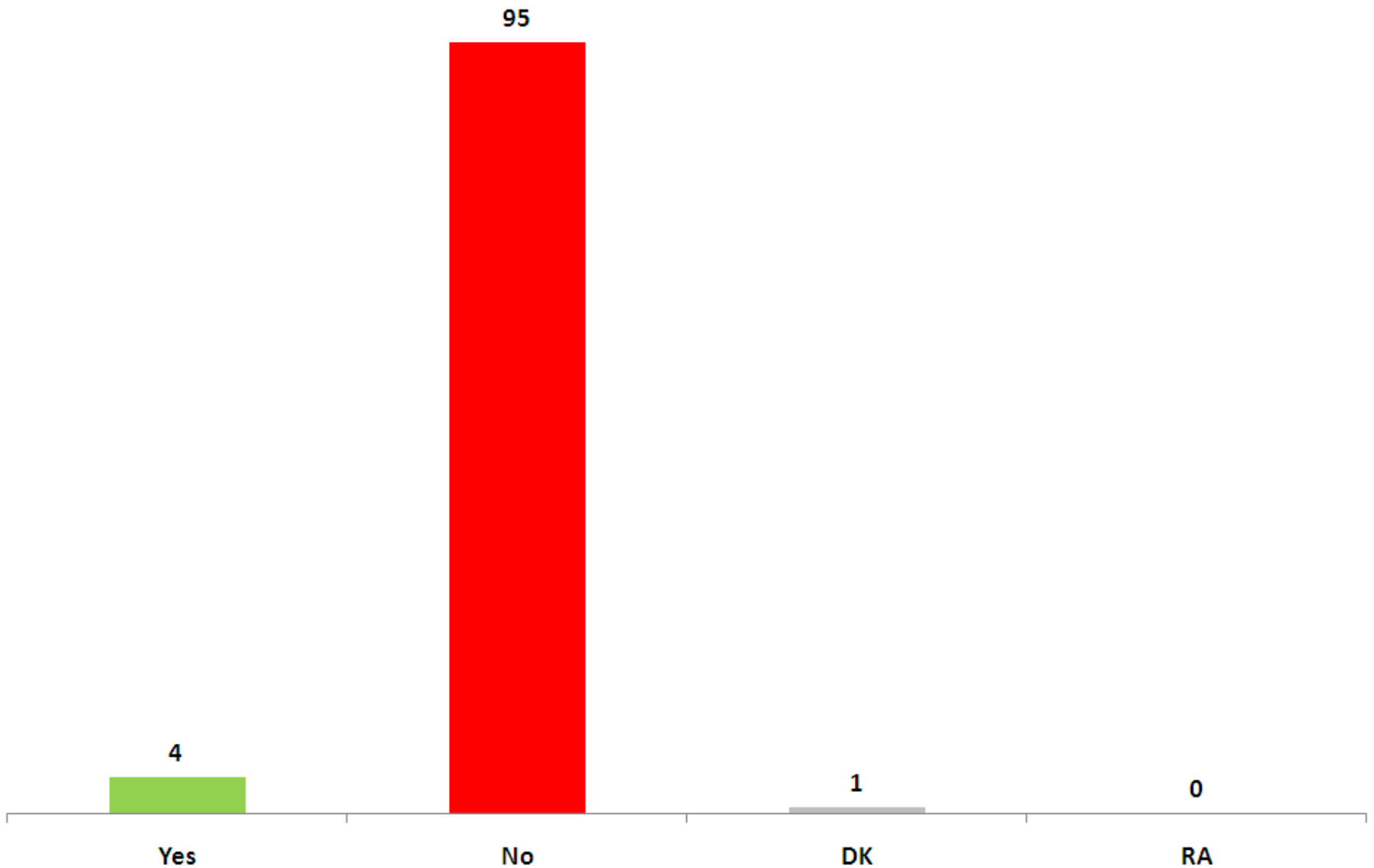
# Expectations and Communication



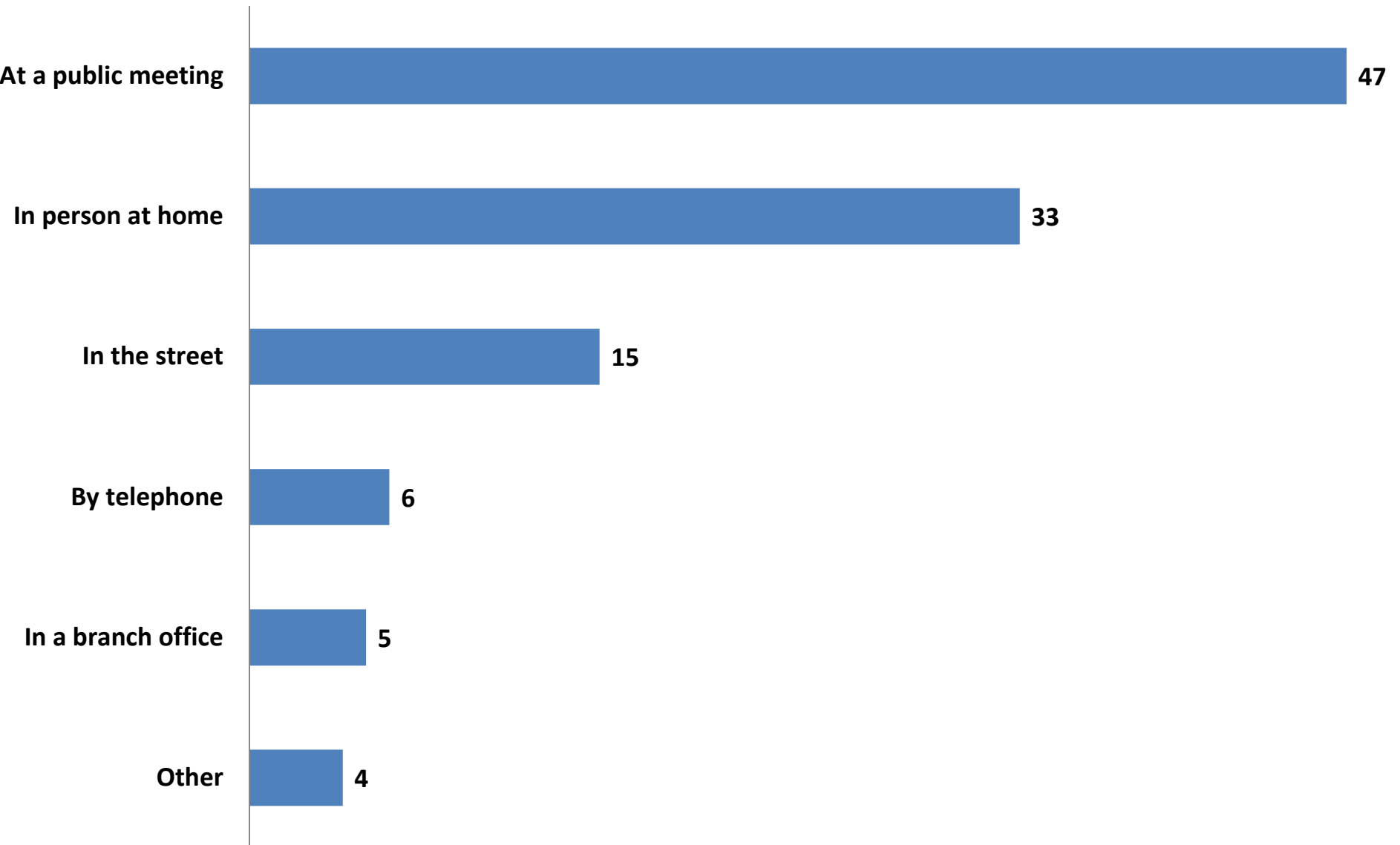
**In the past three months have you been receiving enough information from the media about the party you support? q105**



**Q27 Have you received information directly from politicians, majoritarian MPs or party activists since the May 2008 parliamentary election?**

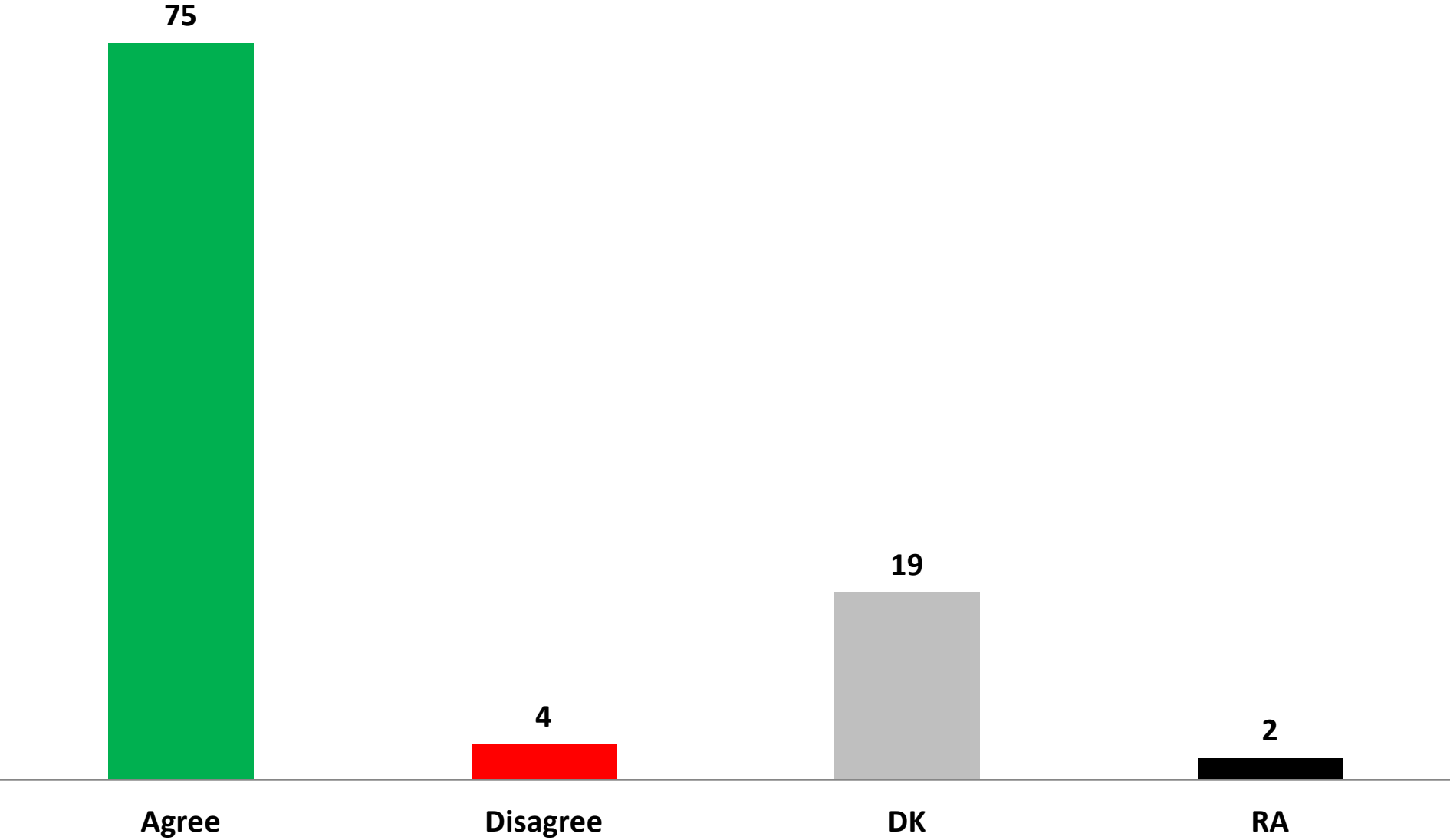


**If yes, how? National (29) (Of the 4% who have been contacted)**

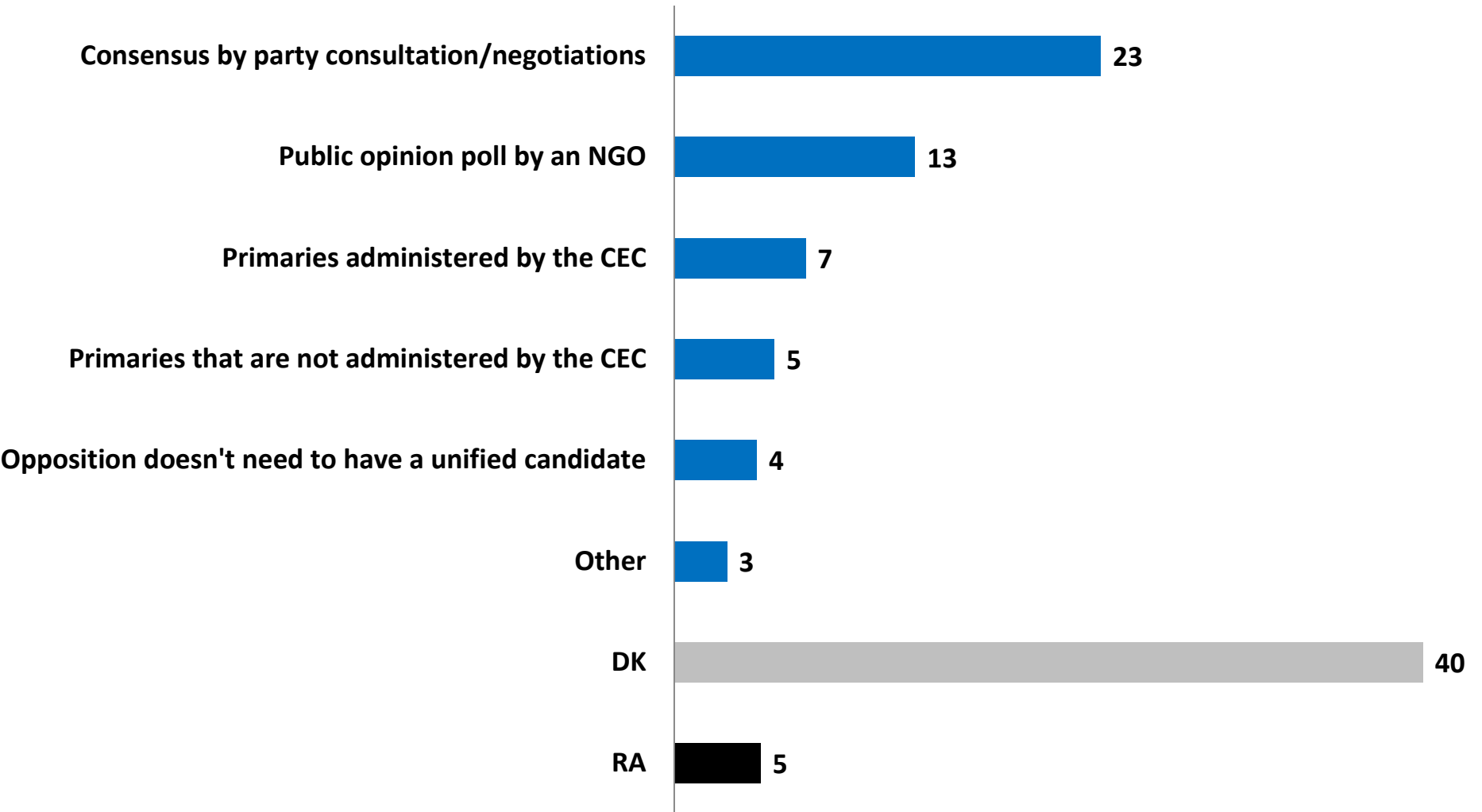


# Political Dialogue and Process

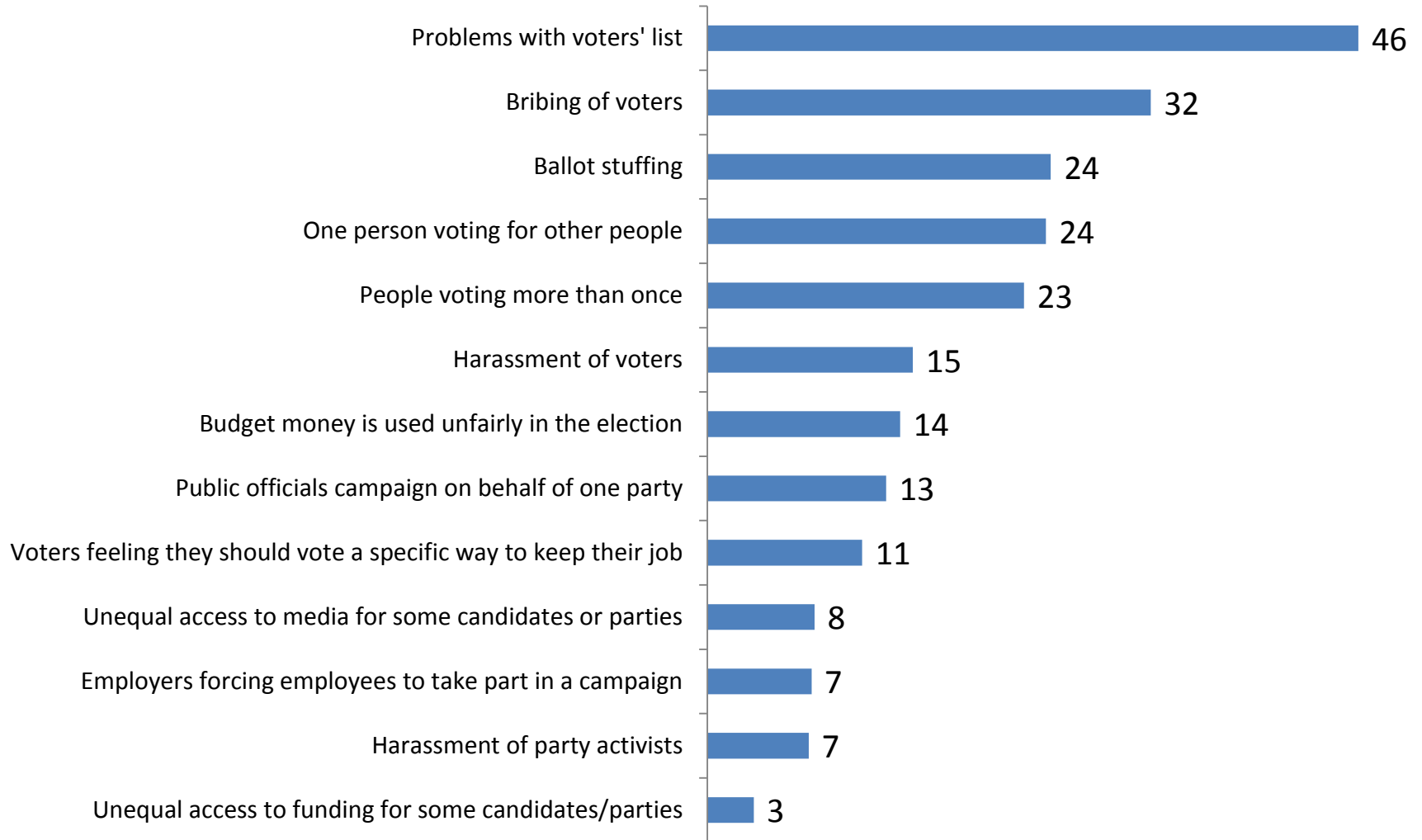
**Gigi Ugulava has called for all candidates to participate in televised debates.  
Do you agree or disagree with this decision? Tbilisi (79)**



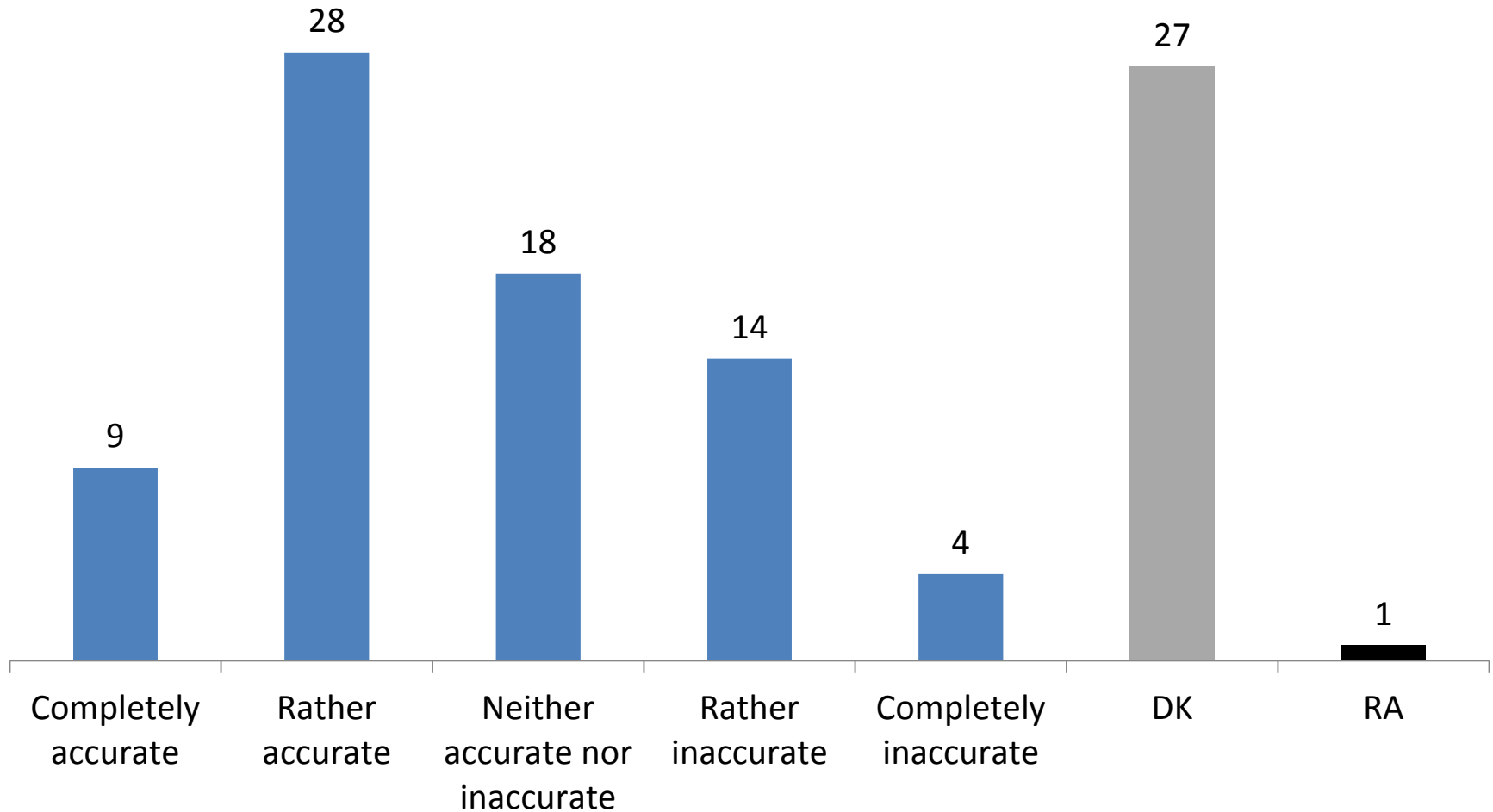
**Currently, some political parties are exploring methods for selecting a unified candidate. Of the methods they have discussed, which method do you think is best? National (78)**



# What do you think are the three biggest barriers to free and fair elections in Georgia? (q41)

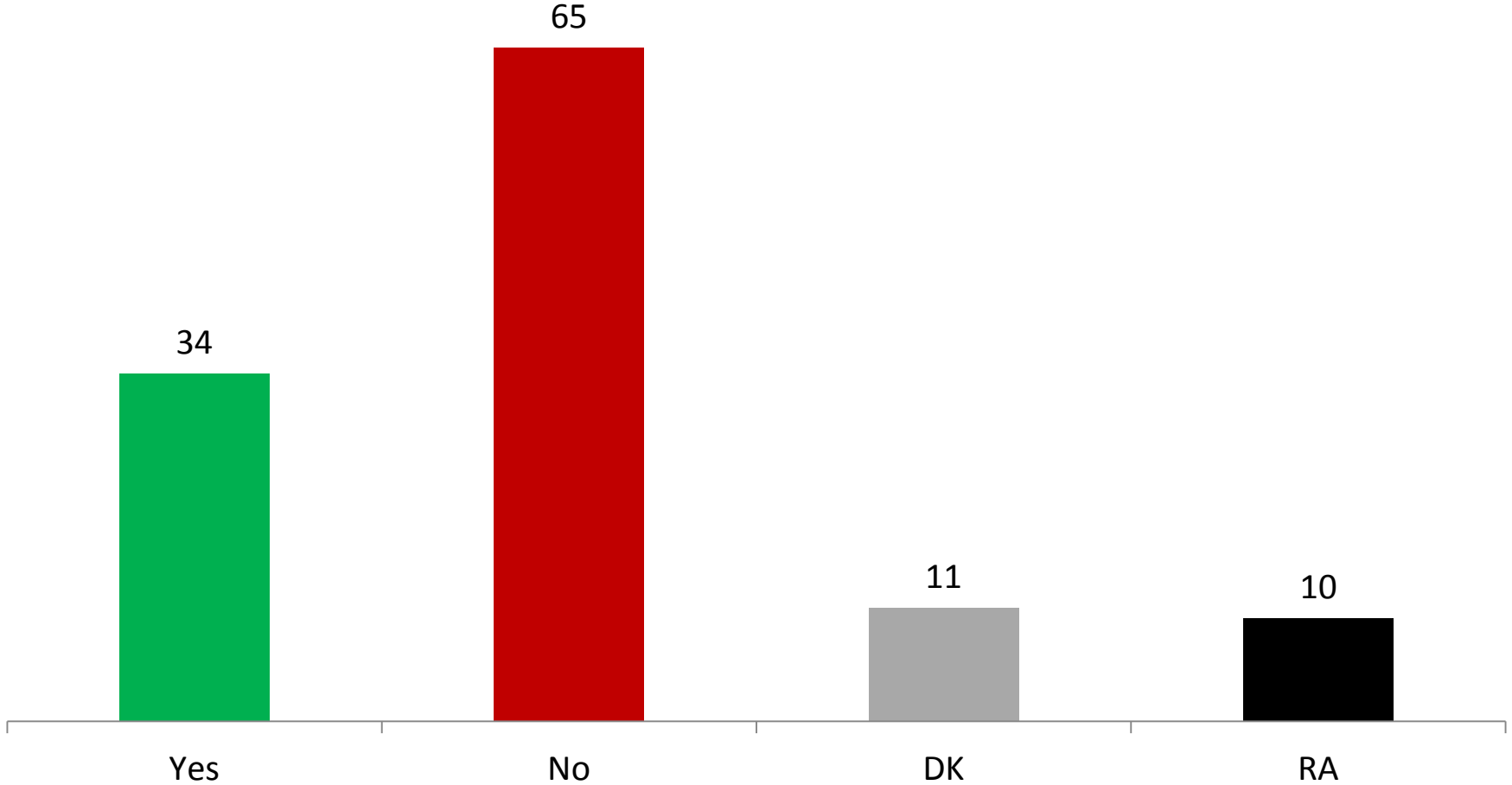


# How would you assess the voters' list? (q44)

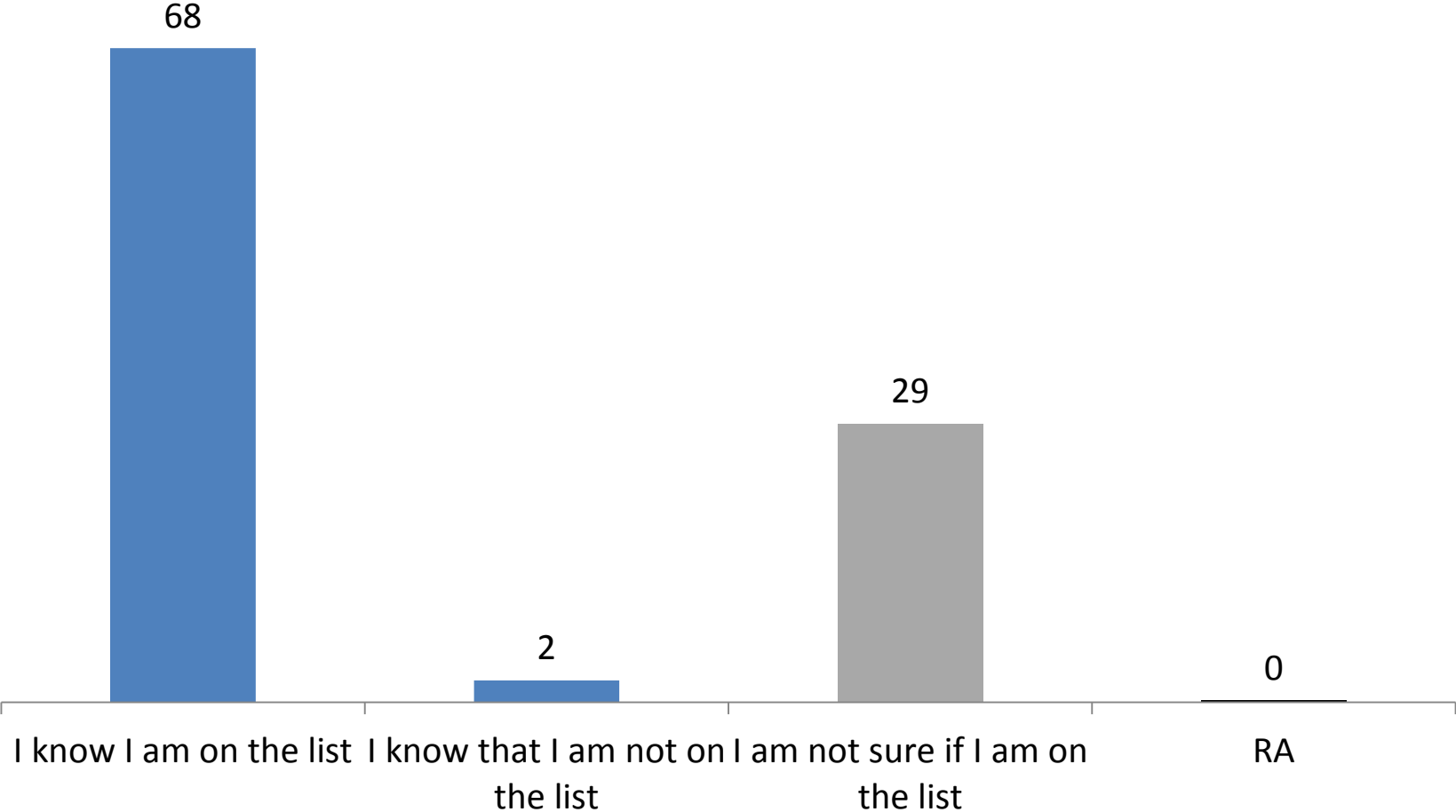




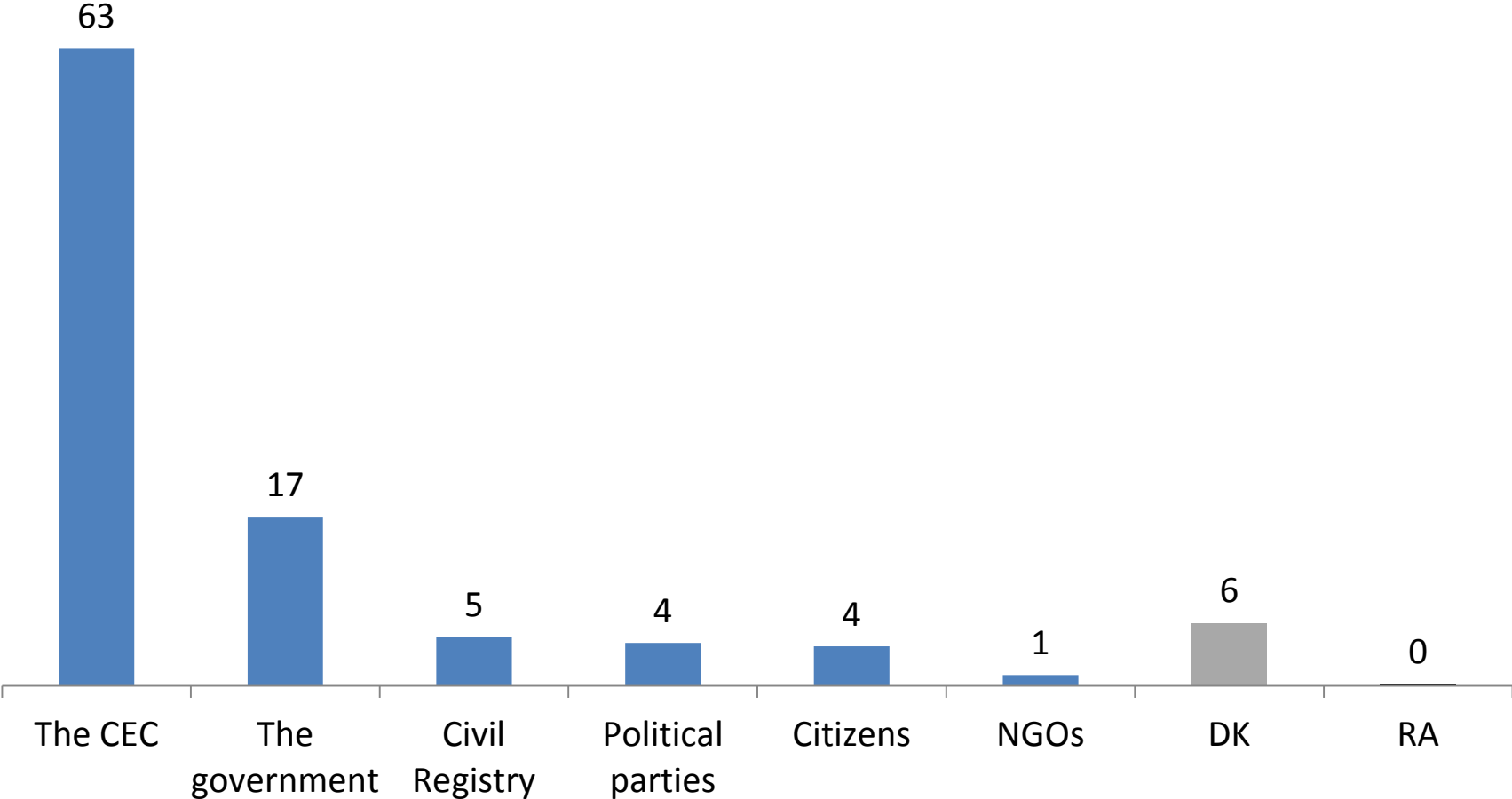
# Have you ever checked if you are on the voters' list? (q43)



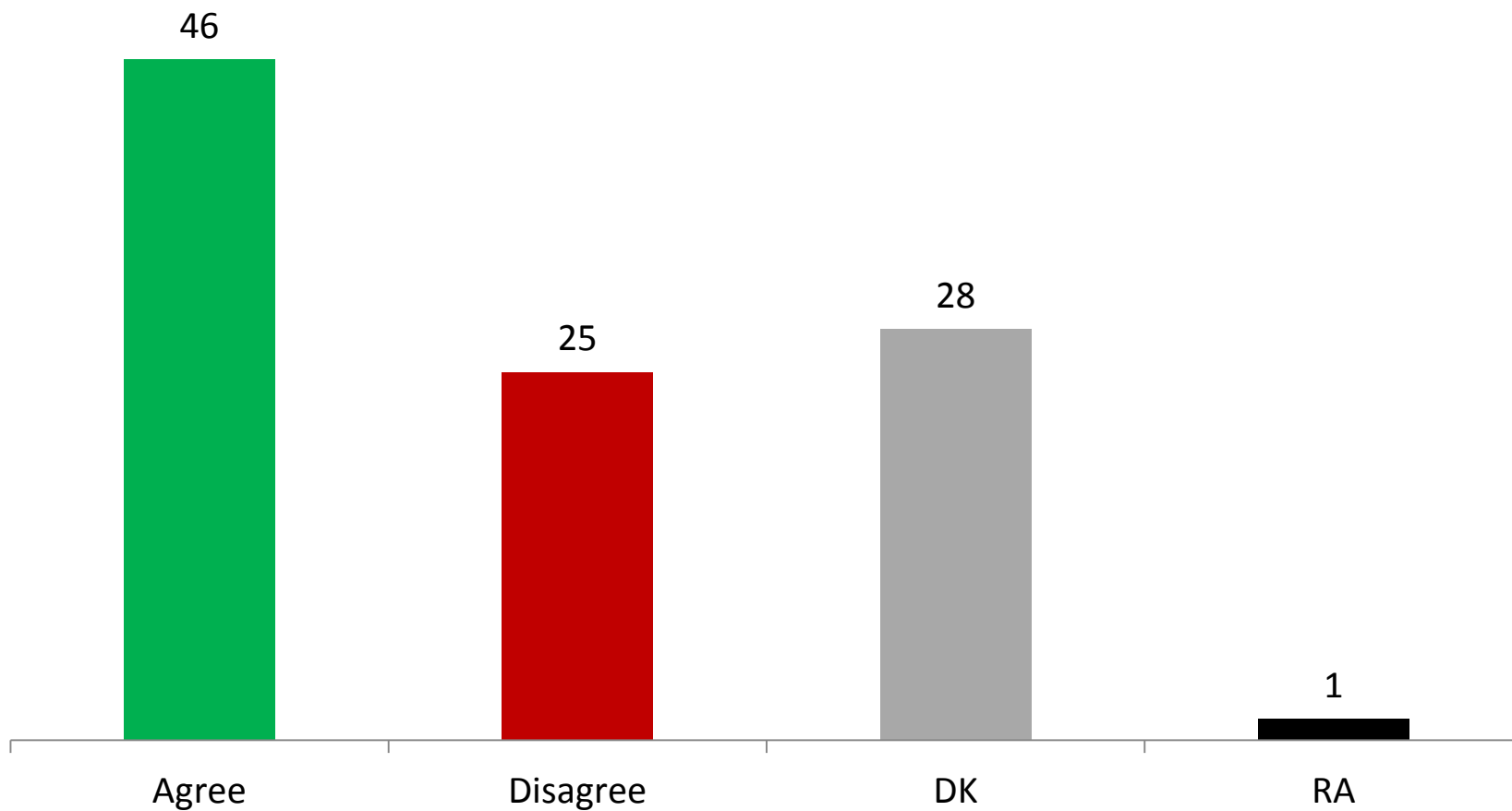
# Do you know if you are on the voters' list? (q42)



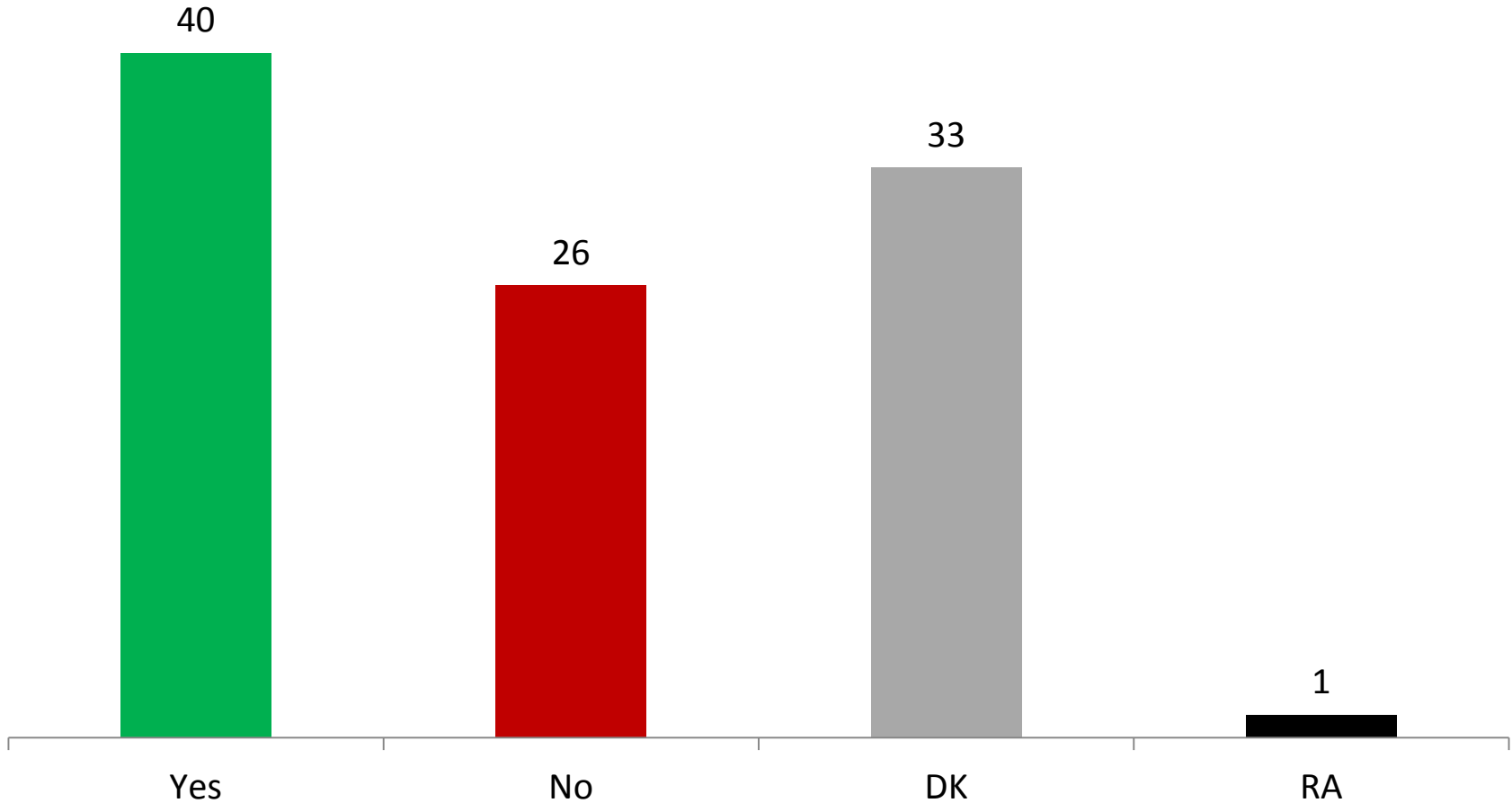
# Who is responsible for checking the voters' list? (q46)



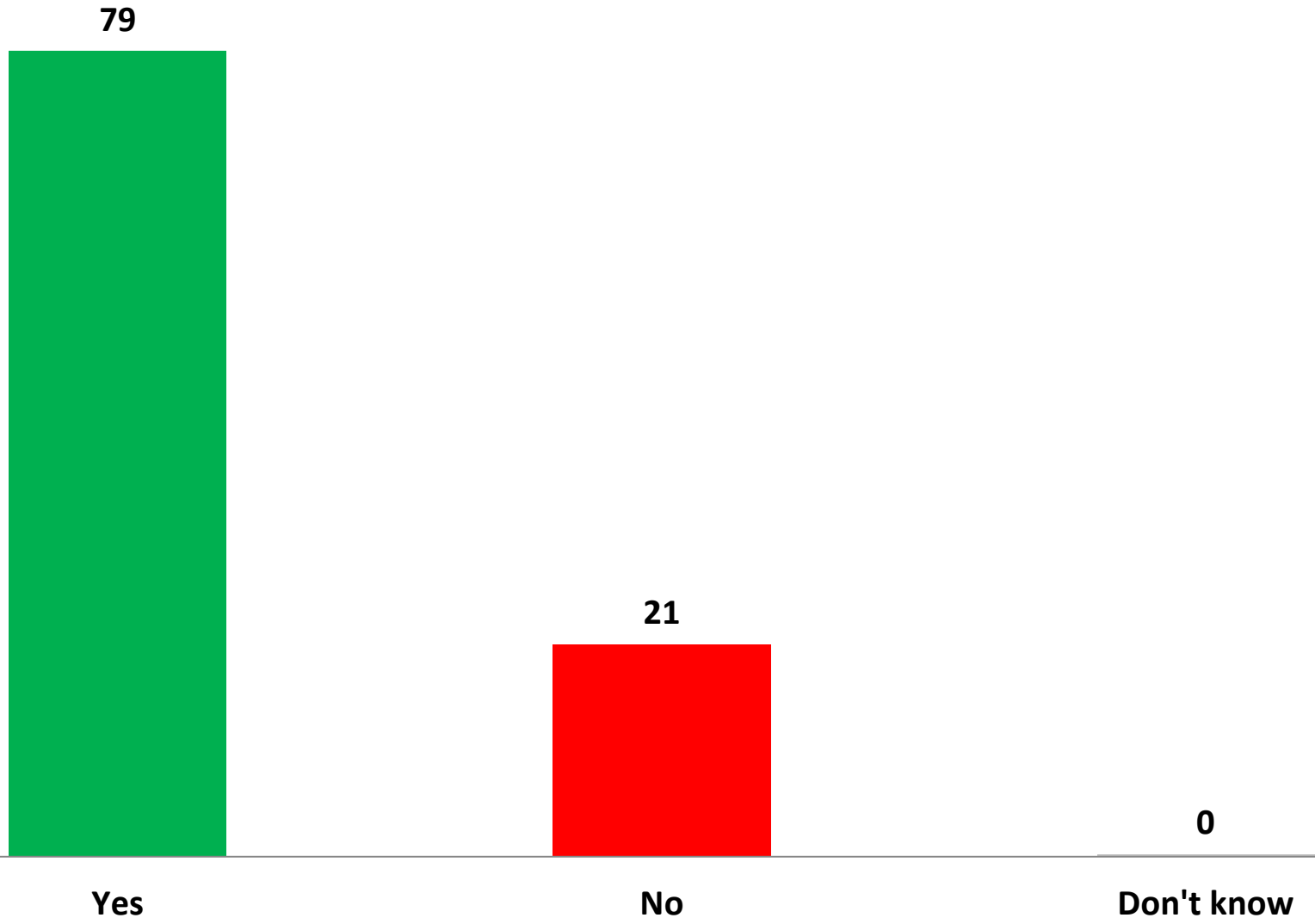
**The Government gave 12 parties 100,000 lari each to check the voters list in the approximately 3,500 precincts of Georgia. Do you agree or disagree with this action? (q47)**



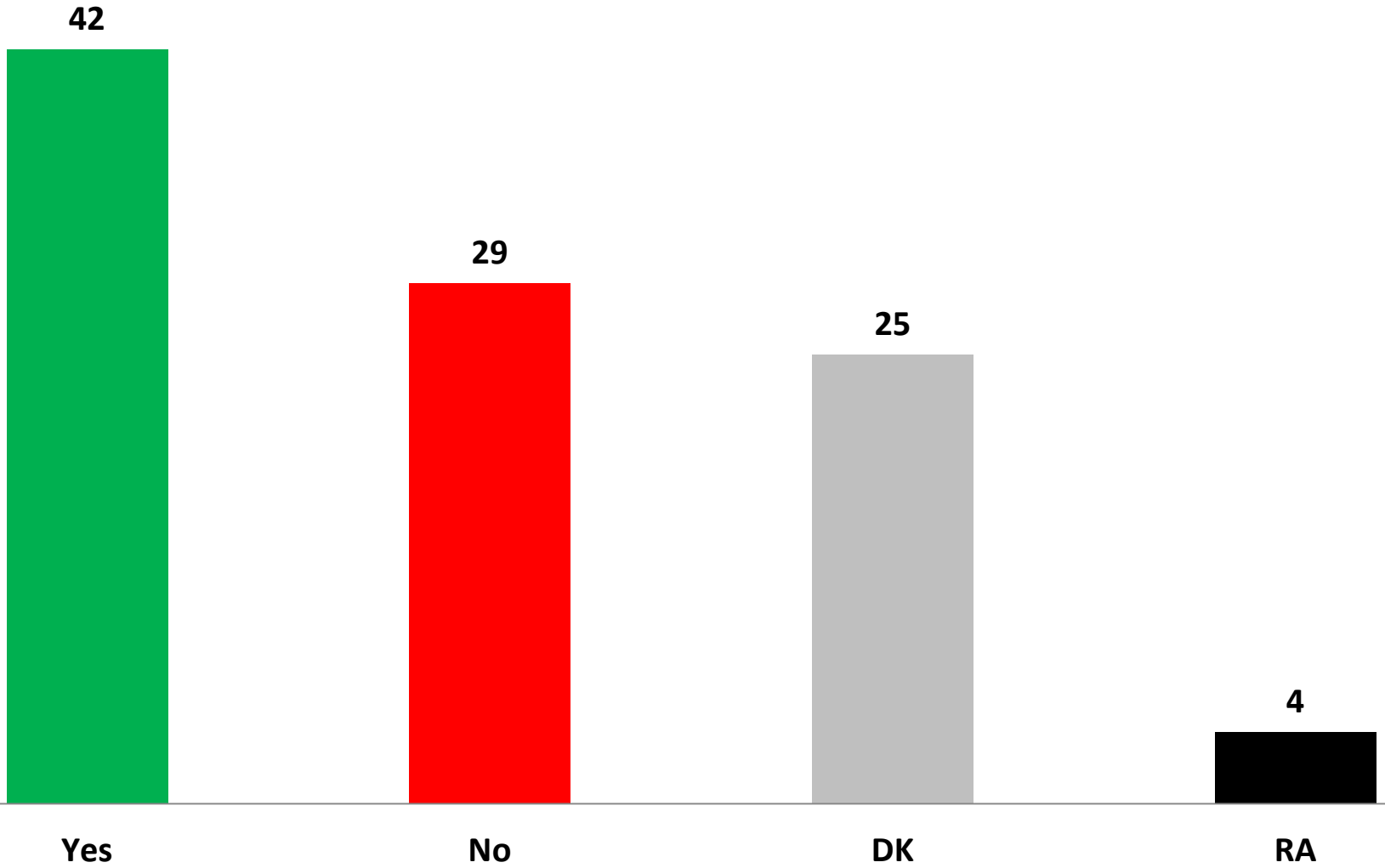
# Do you expect this expenditure will improve the list? (q48)



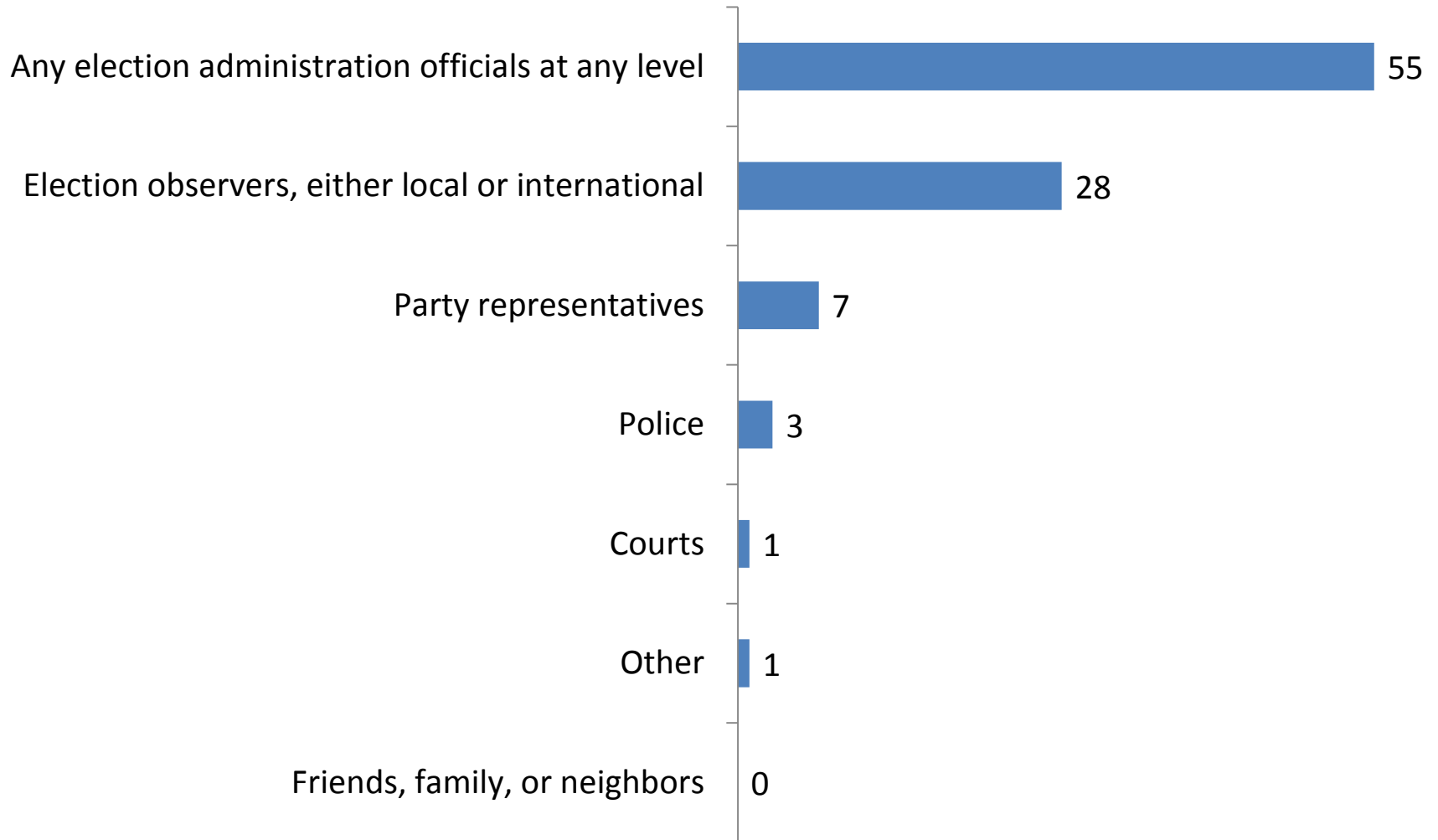
**Do you currently live where you are legally registered? National (93)**



**If you saw something wrong in the polling station,  
would you complain? National (66)**

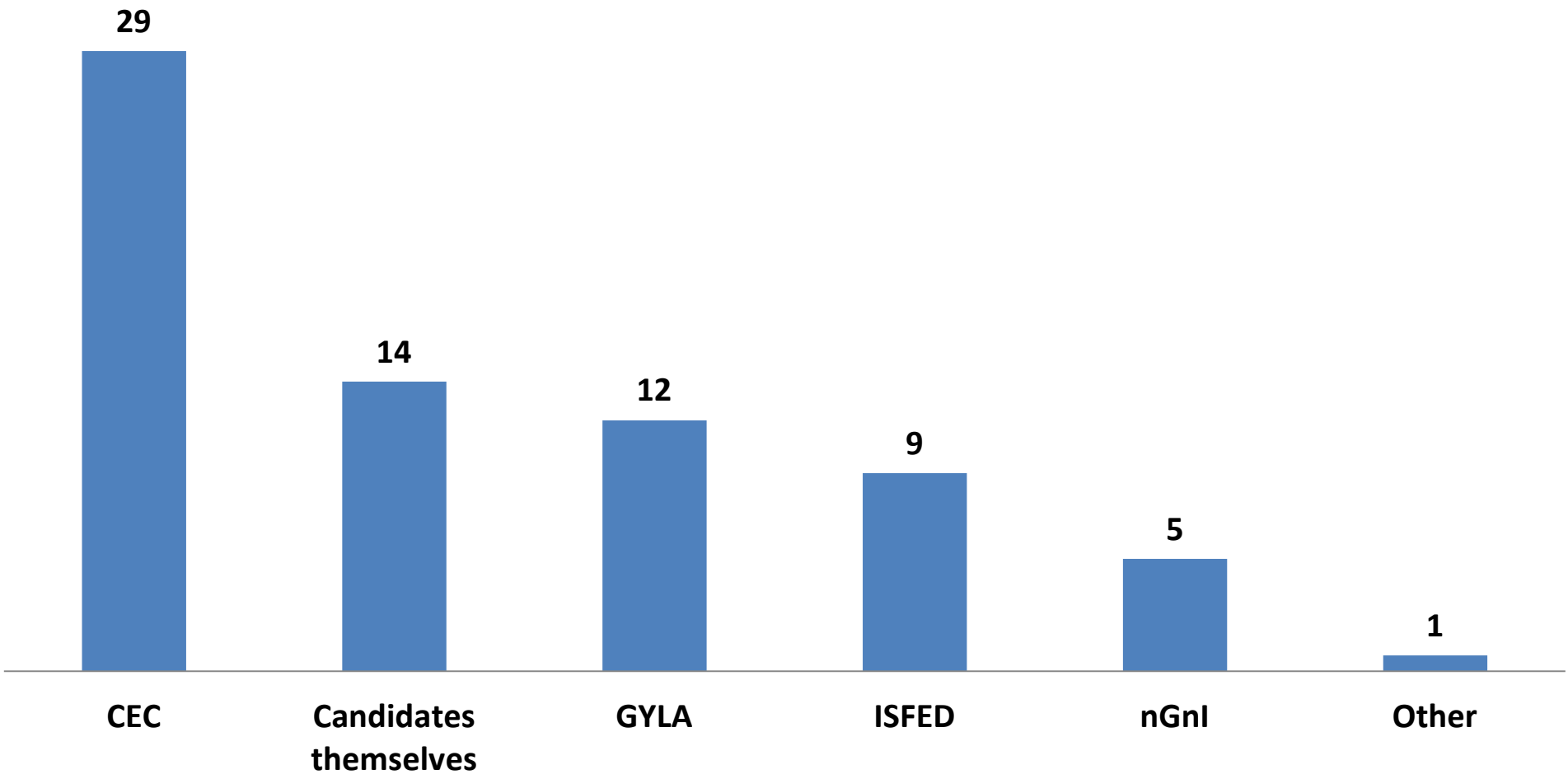


# If you saw something wrong in the polling station, to whom would you complain? National (67)



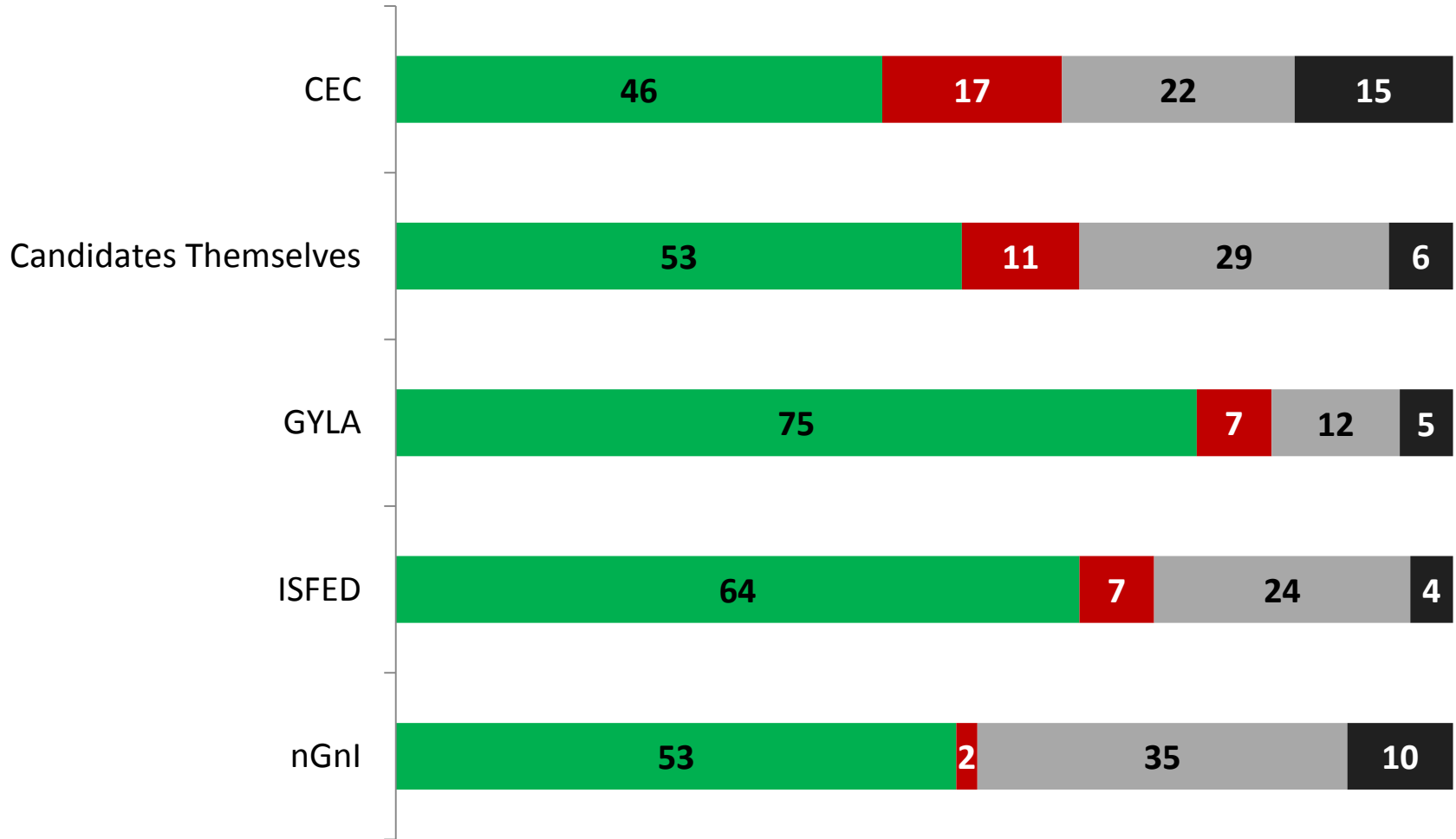


**Could you please list the names of the local organizations you are aware of that are involved in elections? National (69)**

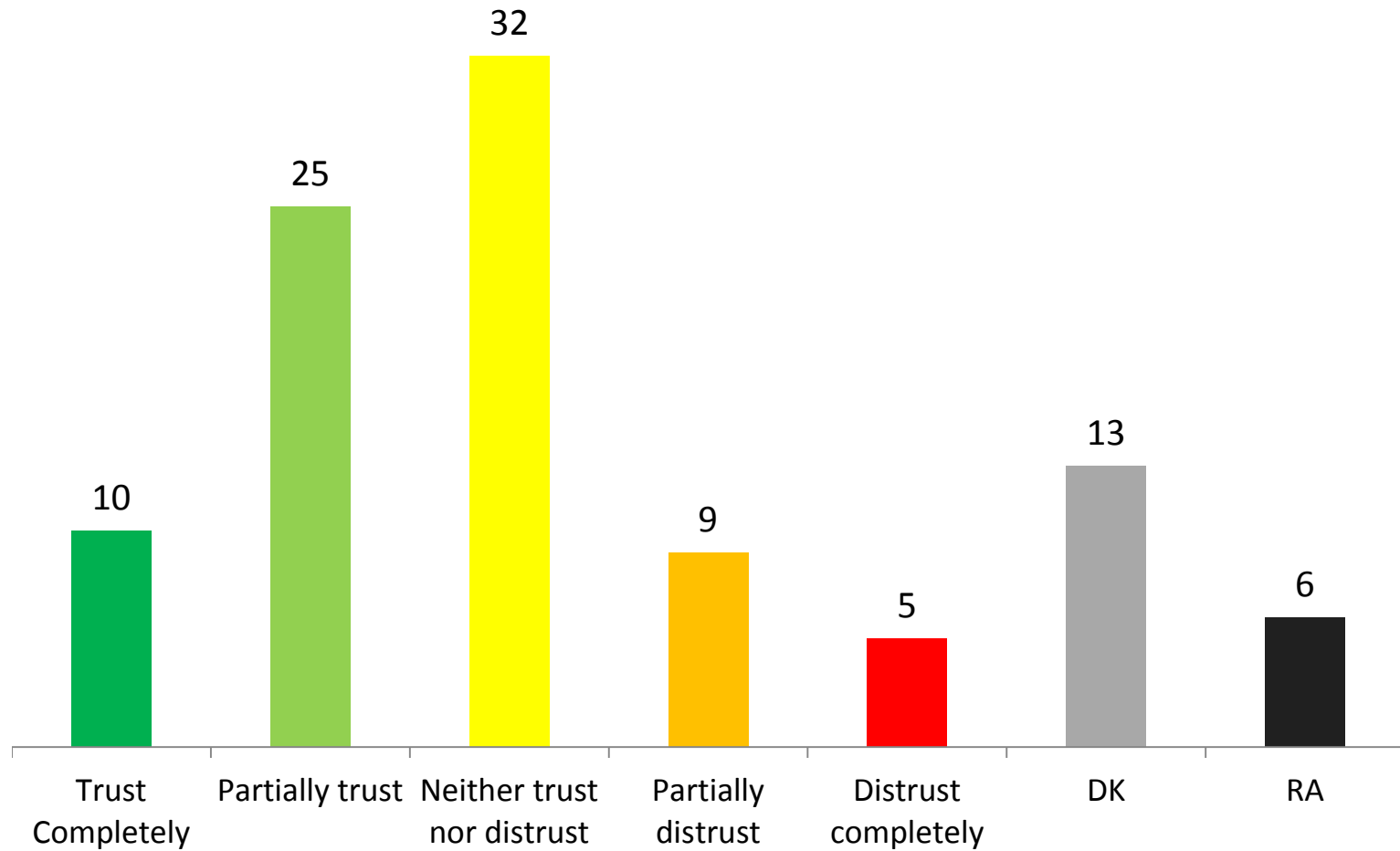


# Please tell me if you evaluate their work positively or negatively? National (70)

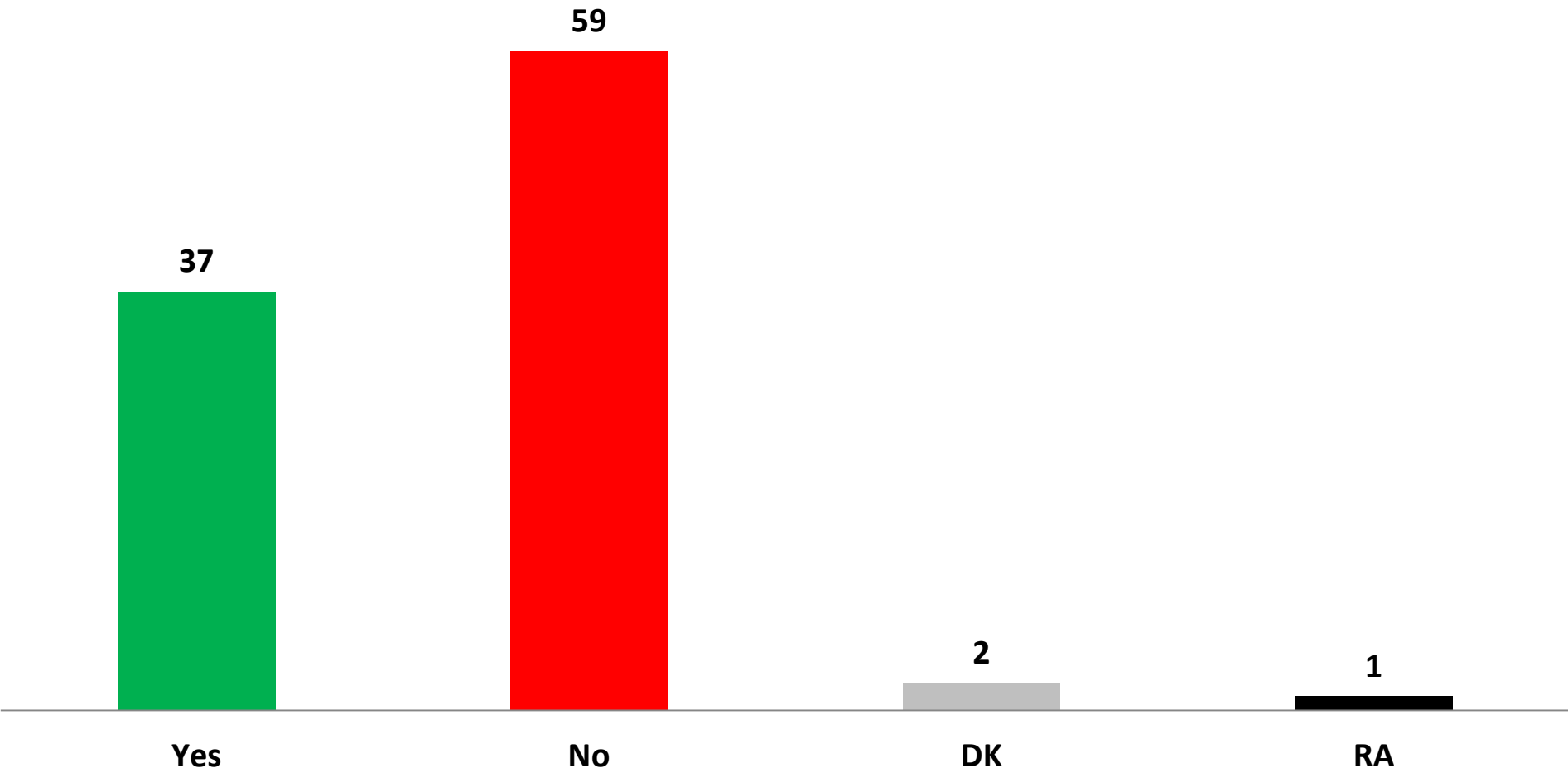
Positively Negatively DK RA



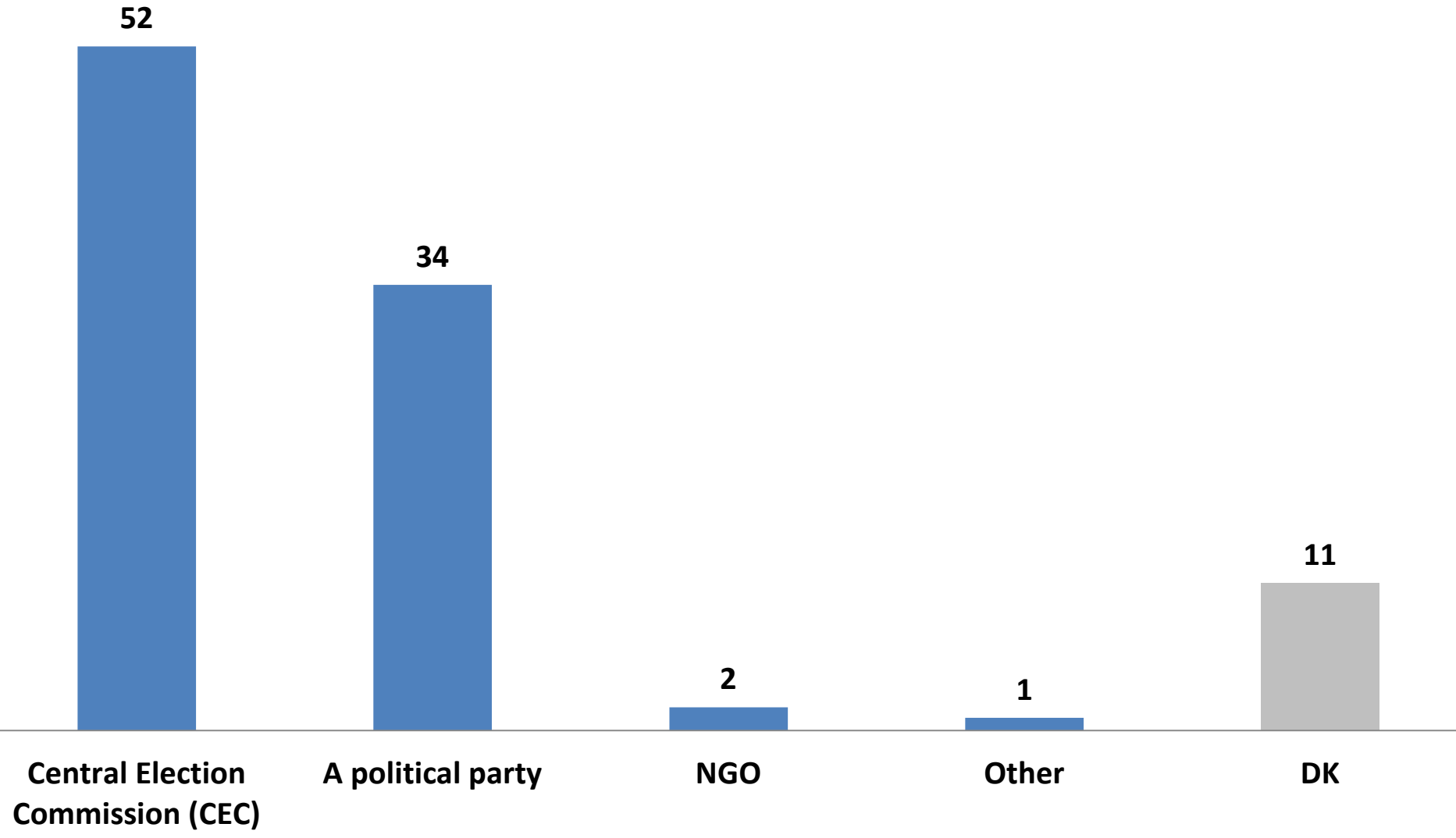
# How would you assess your trust towards domestic election observers? – National (71)



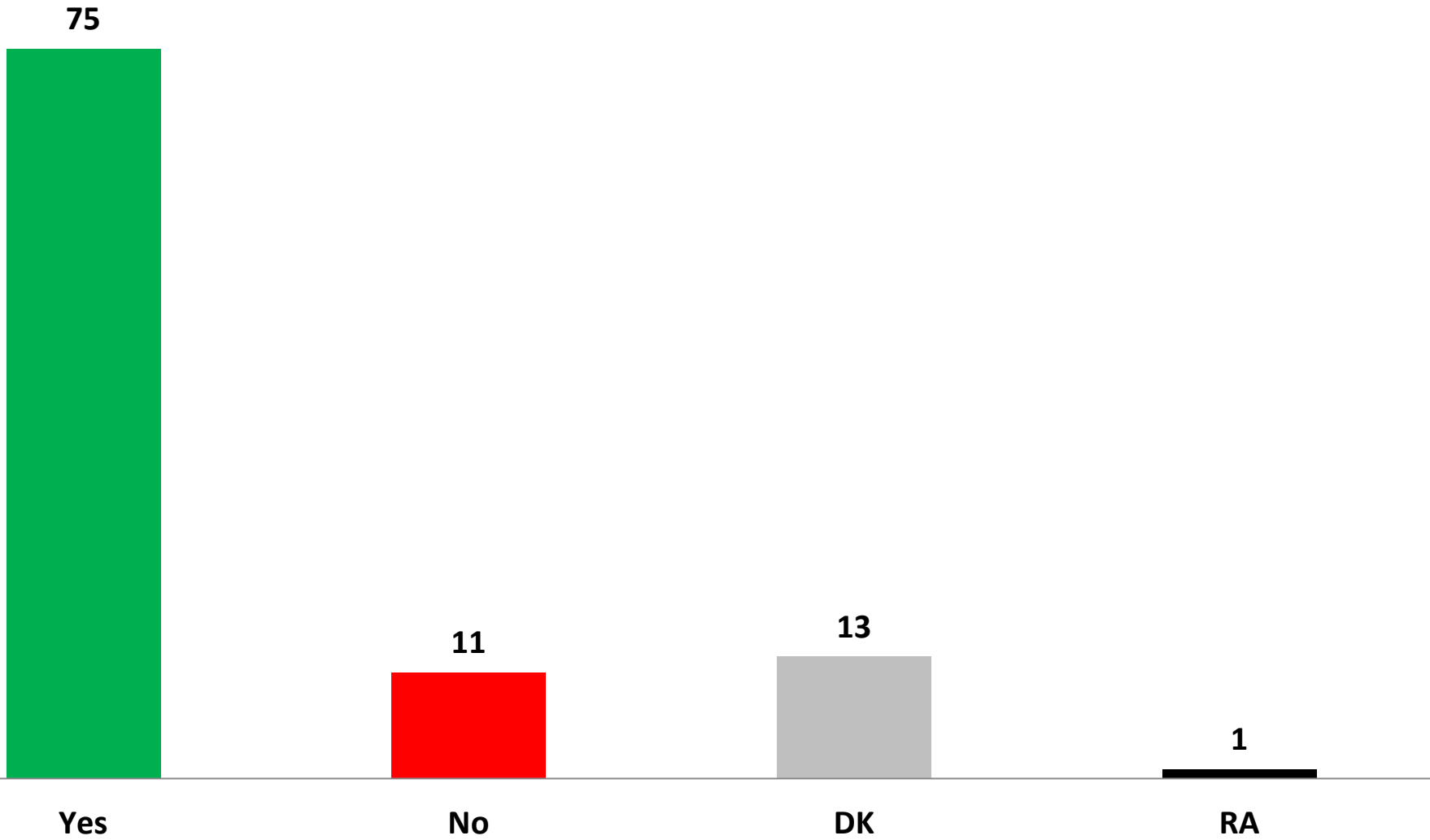
**Have you seen any advertisements in mass media to help you understand the voting process? National (72)**



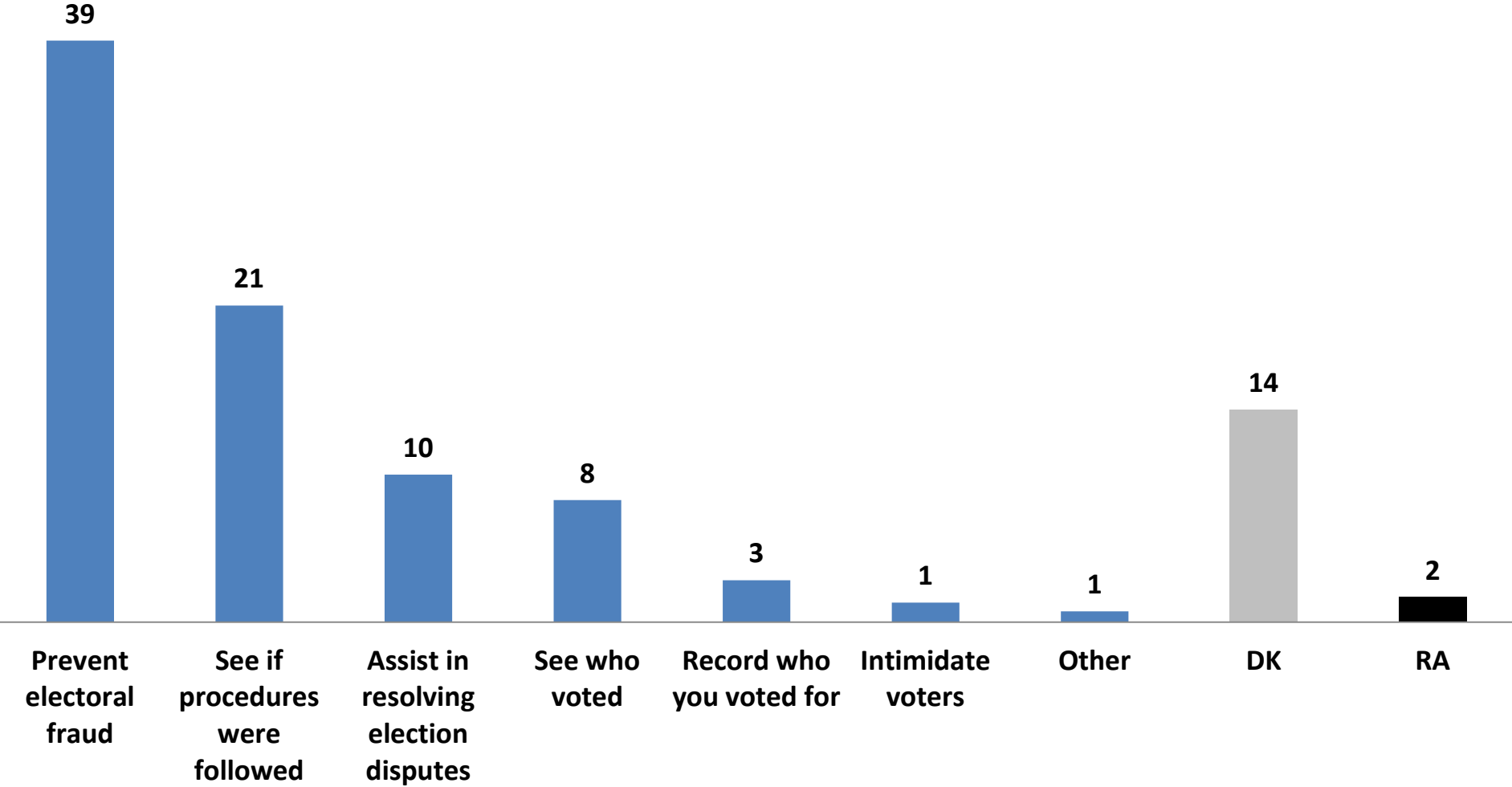
### If yes, from whom? National (73)



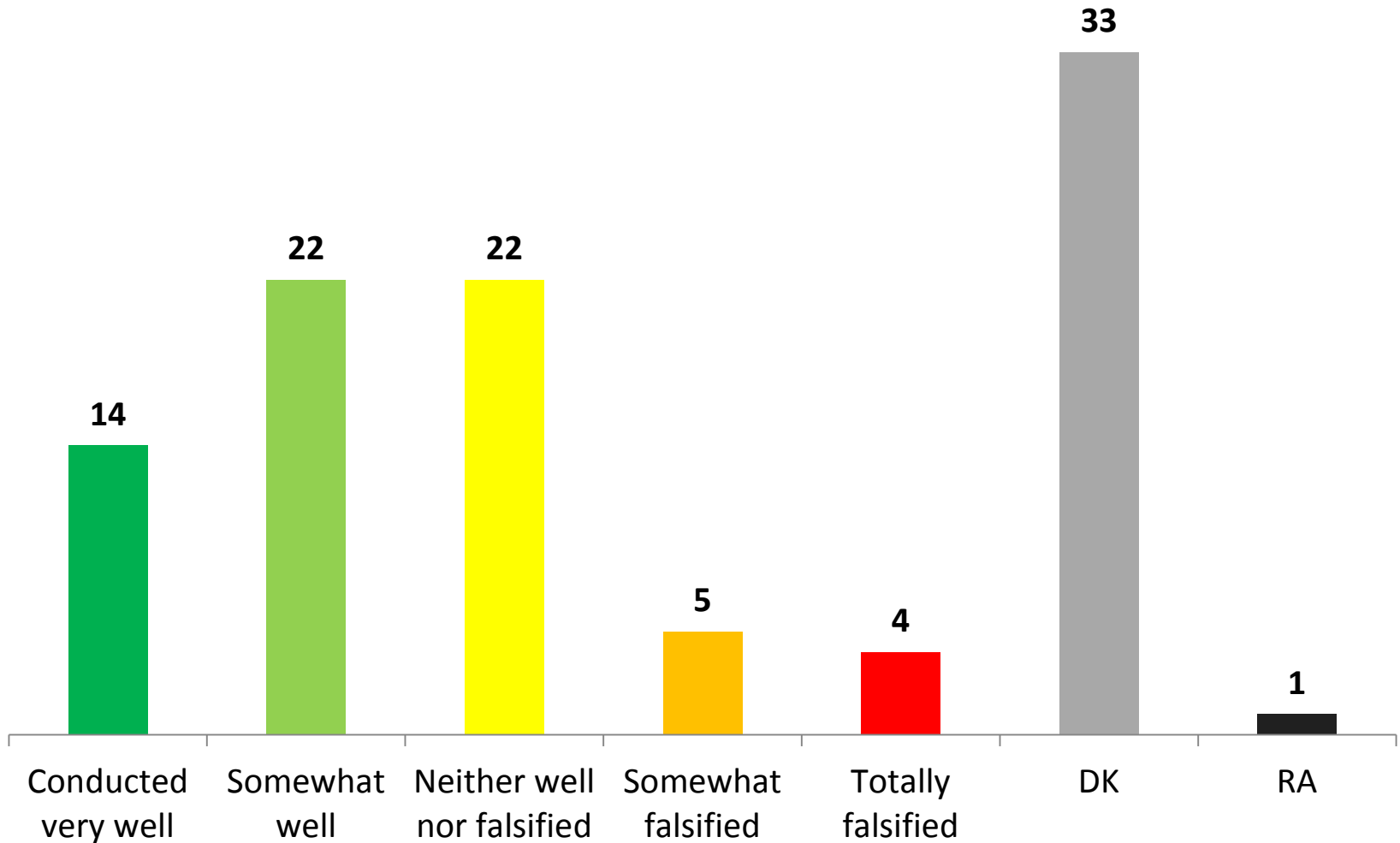
**Do you support the use of cameras inside polling stations during elections? National (77)**



**Closed circuit TV cameras will be installed inside the polling stations. What purpose do think this will serve? National (76)**

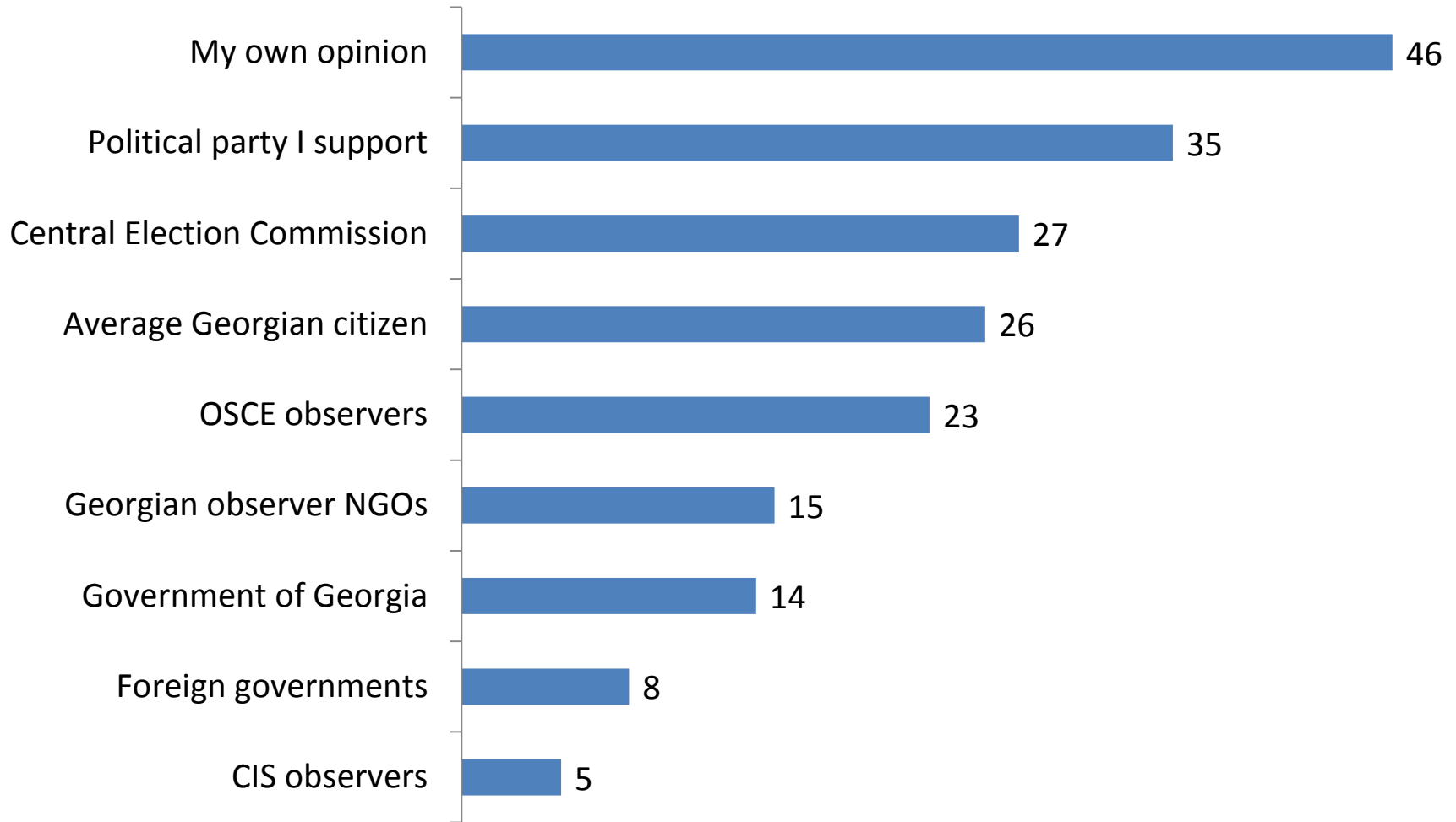


# How well do you think the local government elections will be conducted? – National (74)

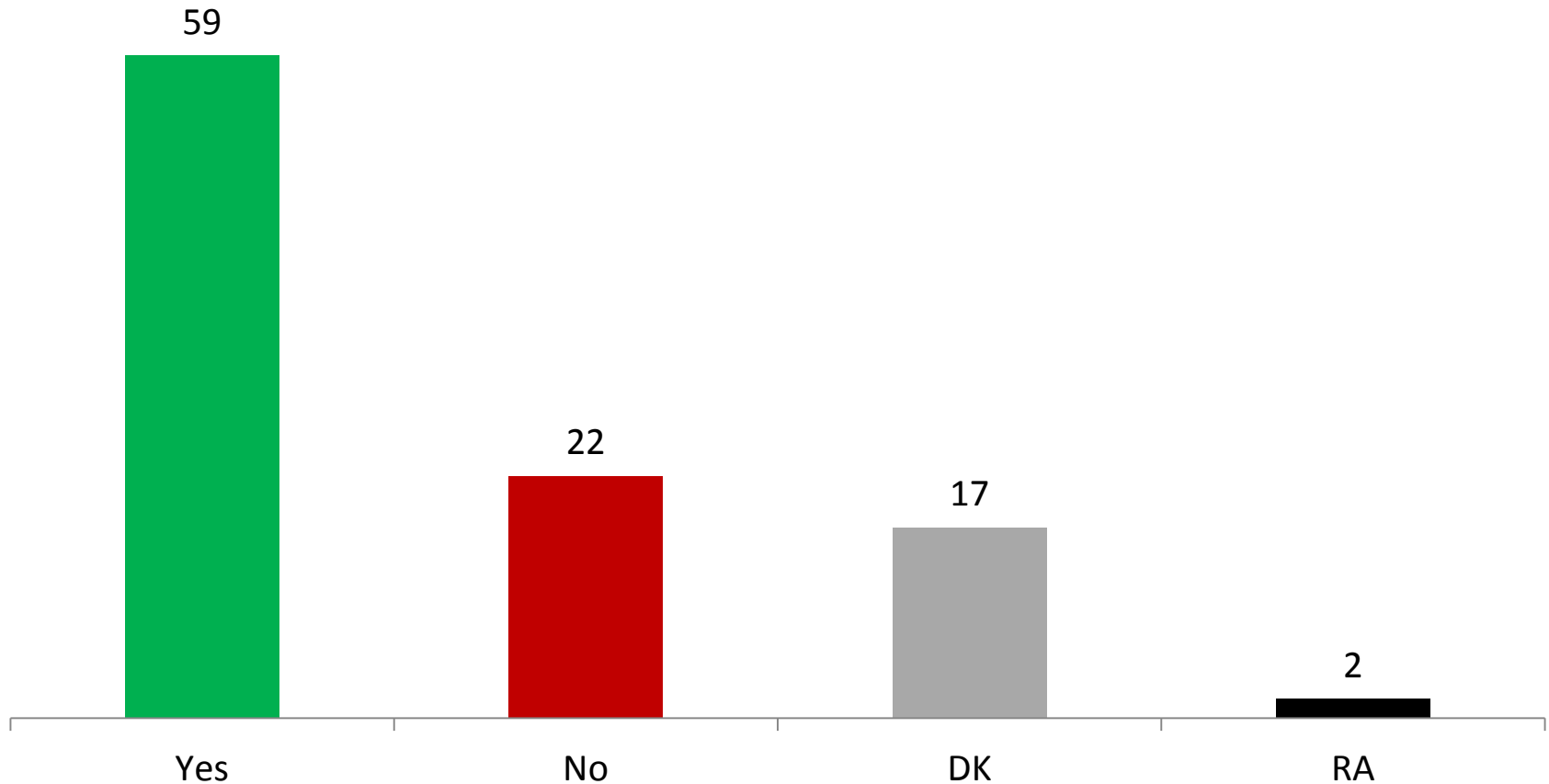




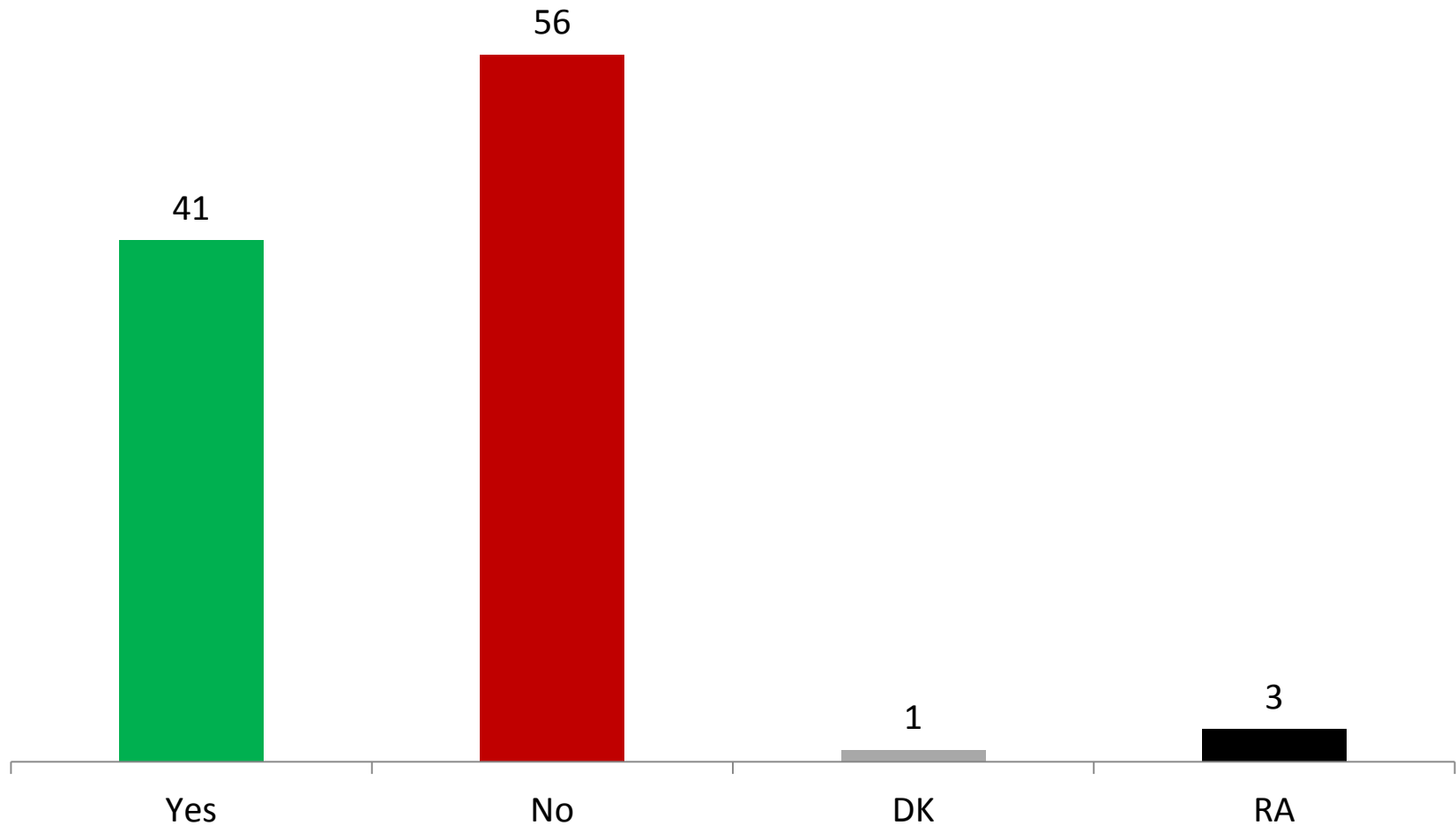
# Whose opinion do you think matters most, when it comes to deciding whether elections have been run well? (q40)



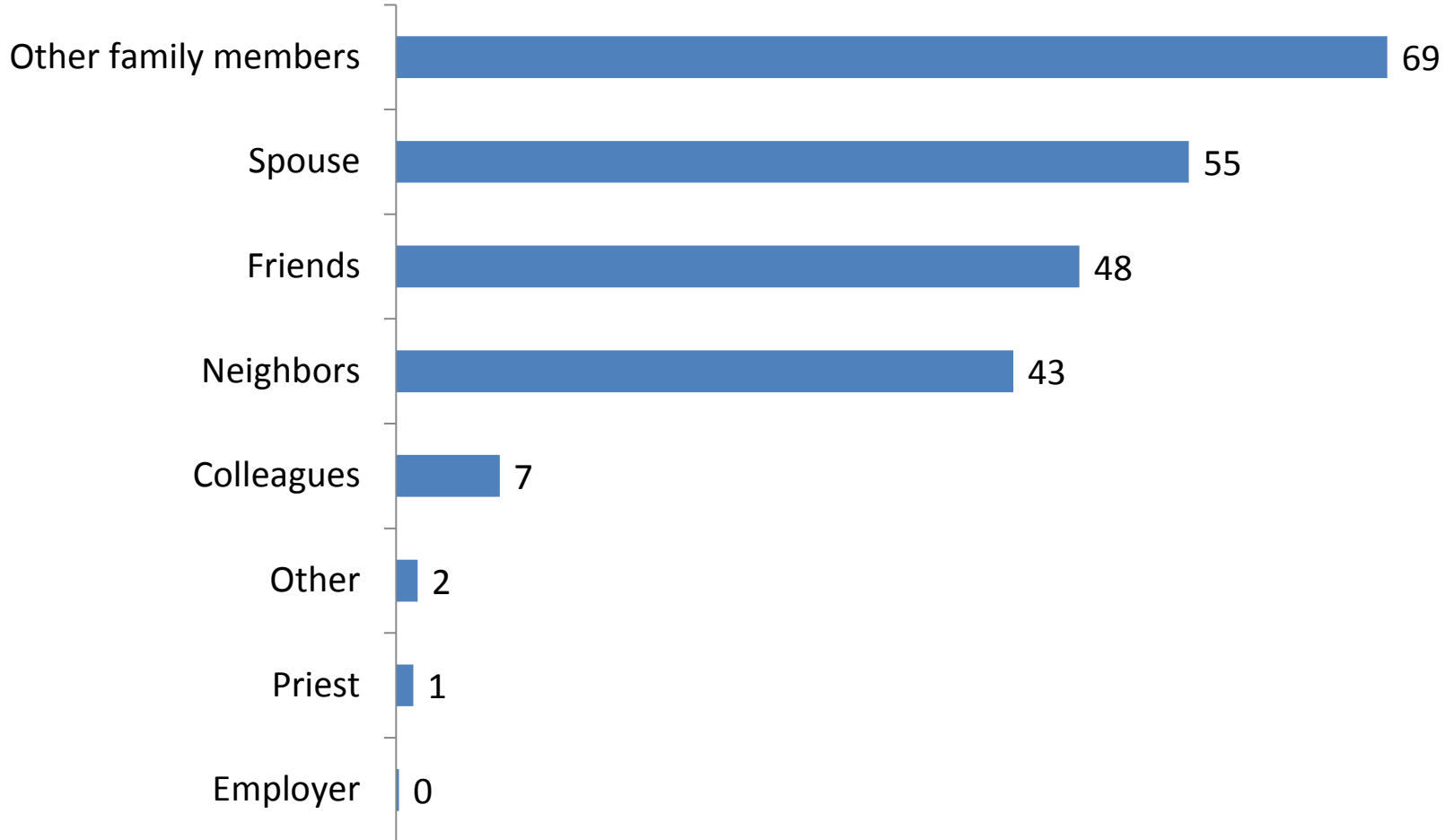
# Can you influence the results of elections by voting? (q49)



# Do you discuss your vote with others prior to election day? (q50)



# If yes, with whom? (q51)



# Q55. Political parties in Georgia do enough, too much, too little of the following?

■ Enough ■ Too much ■ Too little ■ DK ■ RA

Political parties solicit feedback from citizens between elections



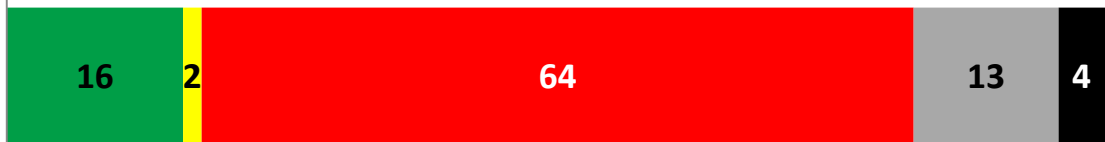
Political parties communicate clear solutions to the problems facing the country



Political parties have strong party grassroots organization

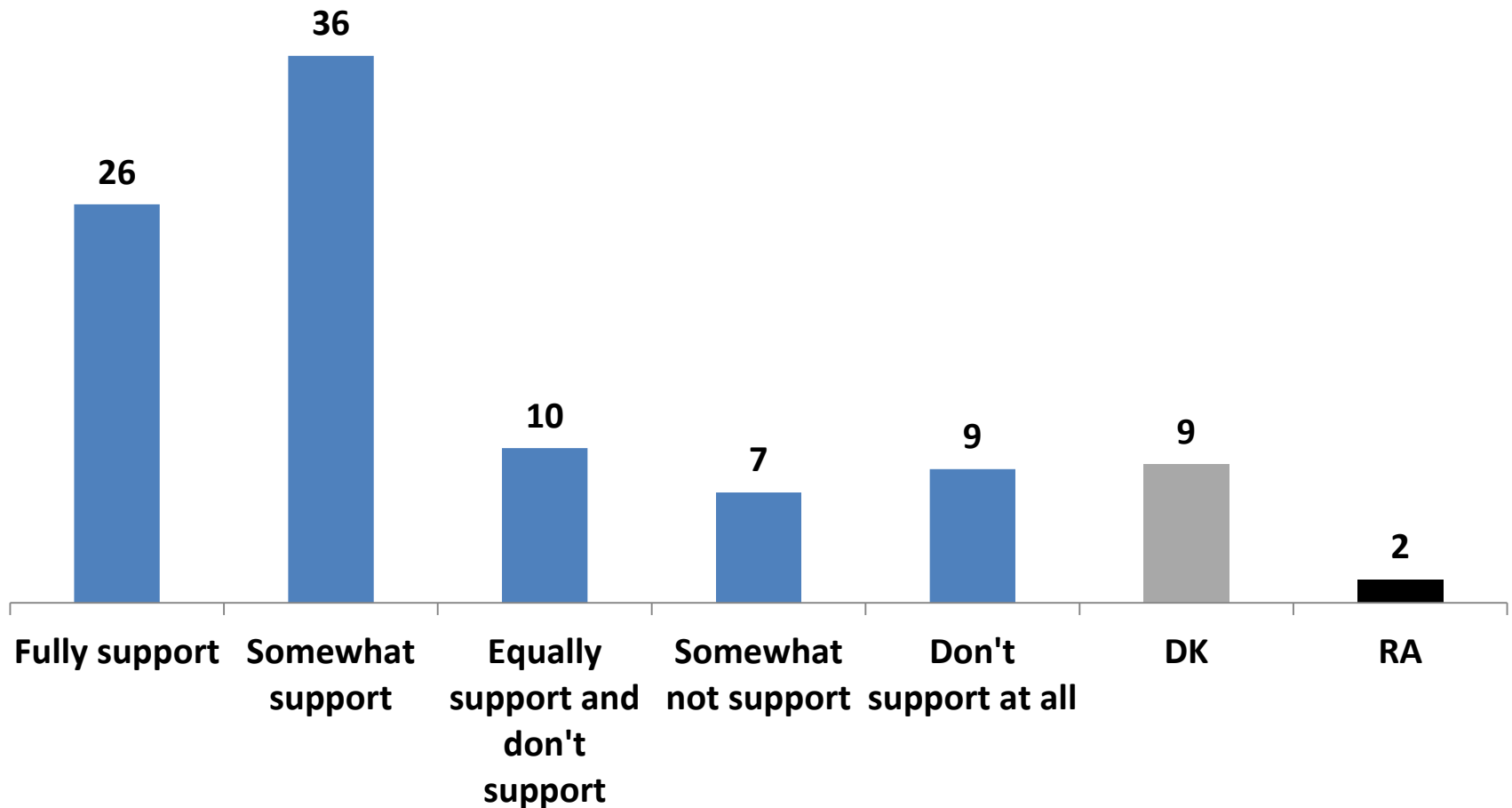


Political parties are in touch with people's needs

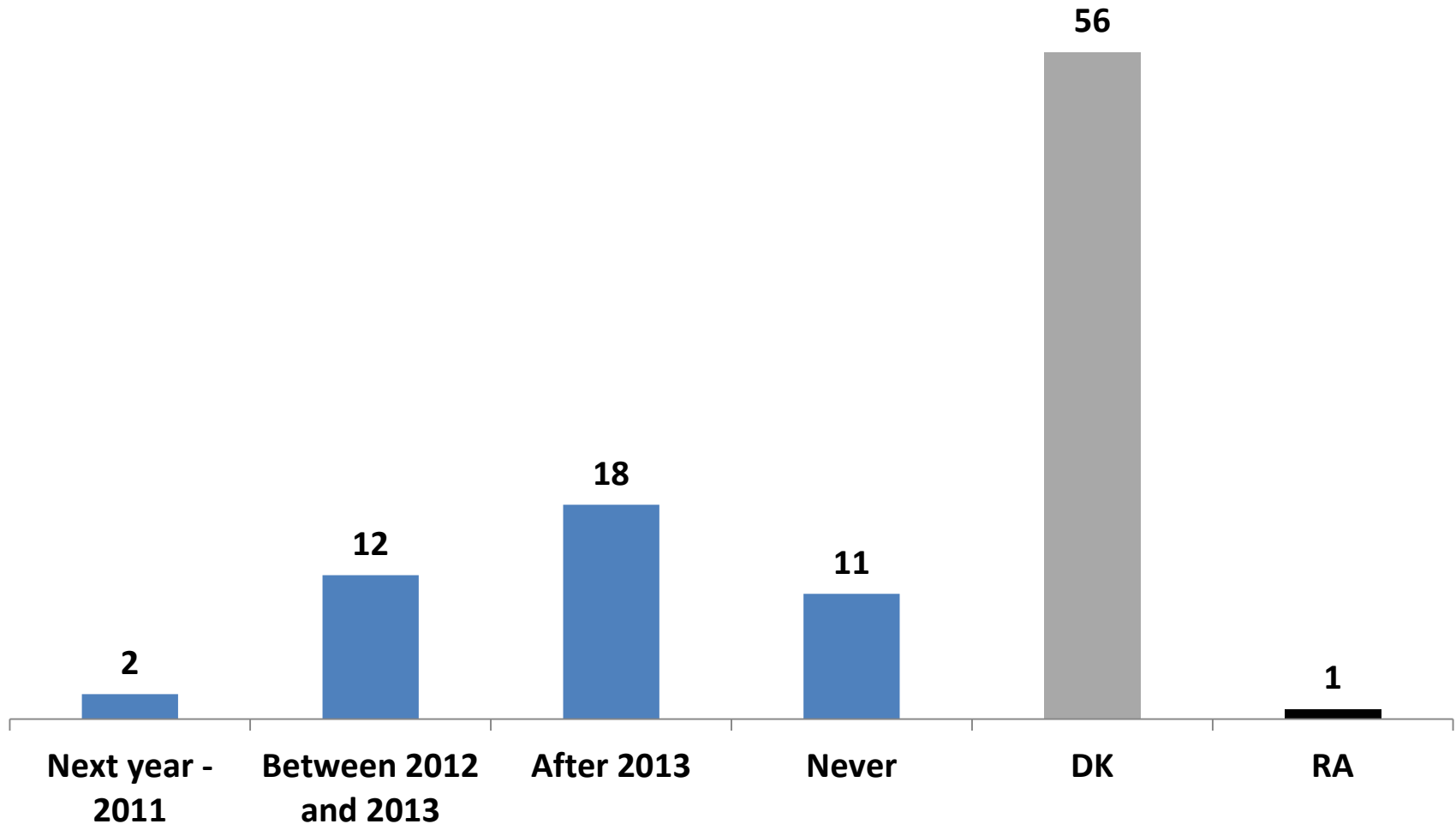


# External Relations

# To what extent do you support Georgia's membership in NATO? (q30)

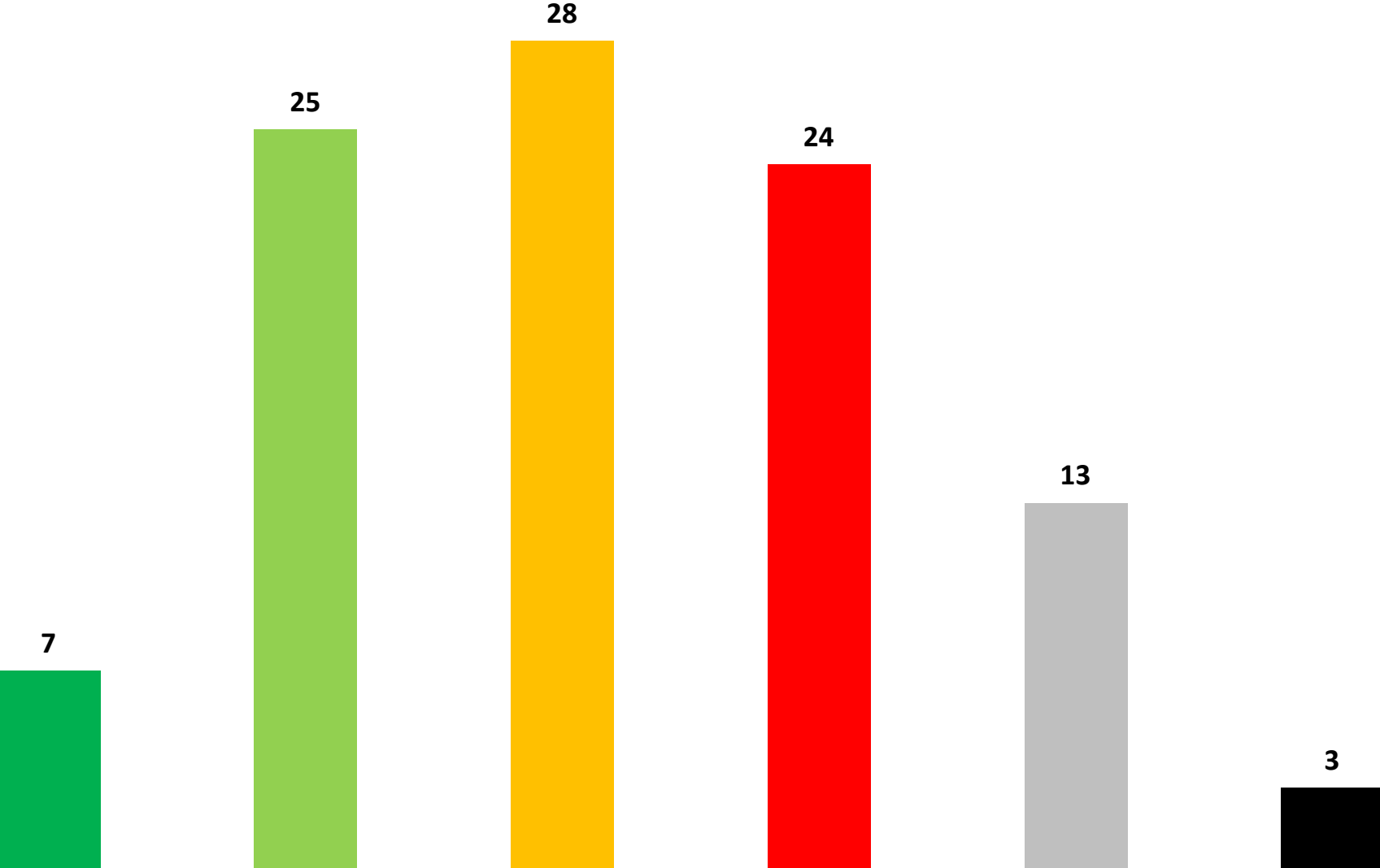


# When do you think Georgia will be granted full NATO membership? (q31)





**Do you approve of Georgia's current policy toward Russia? National (81)**



Fully approve

Partially approve

Partially disapprove

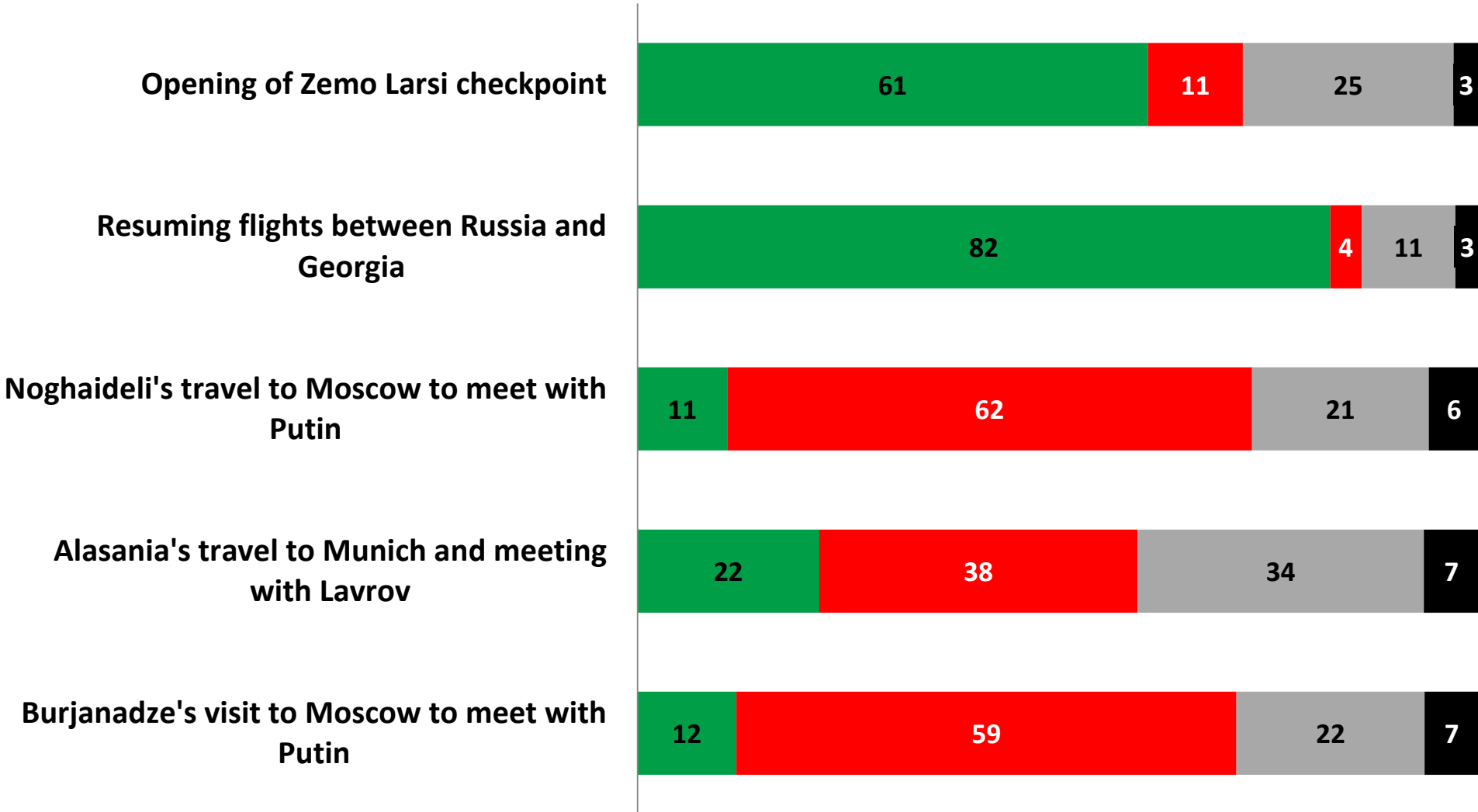
Fully disapprove

DK

RA

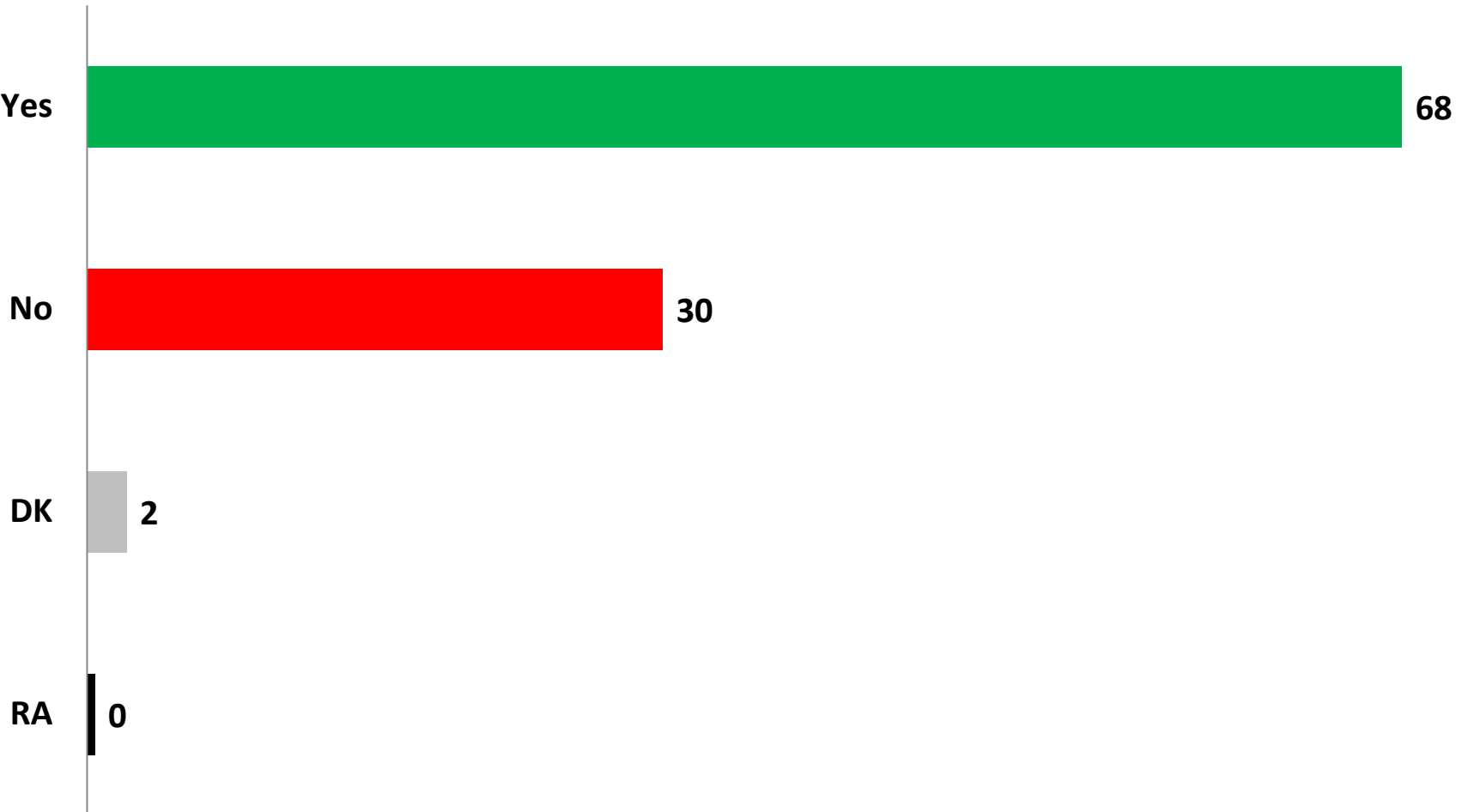
# Q82. Do you approve or disapprove the following?

■ Approve ■ Disapprove ■ DK ■ RA

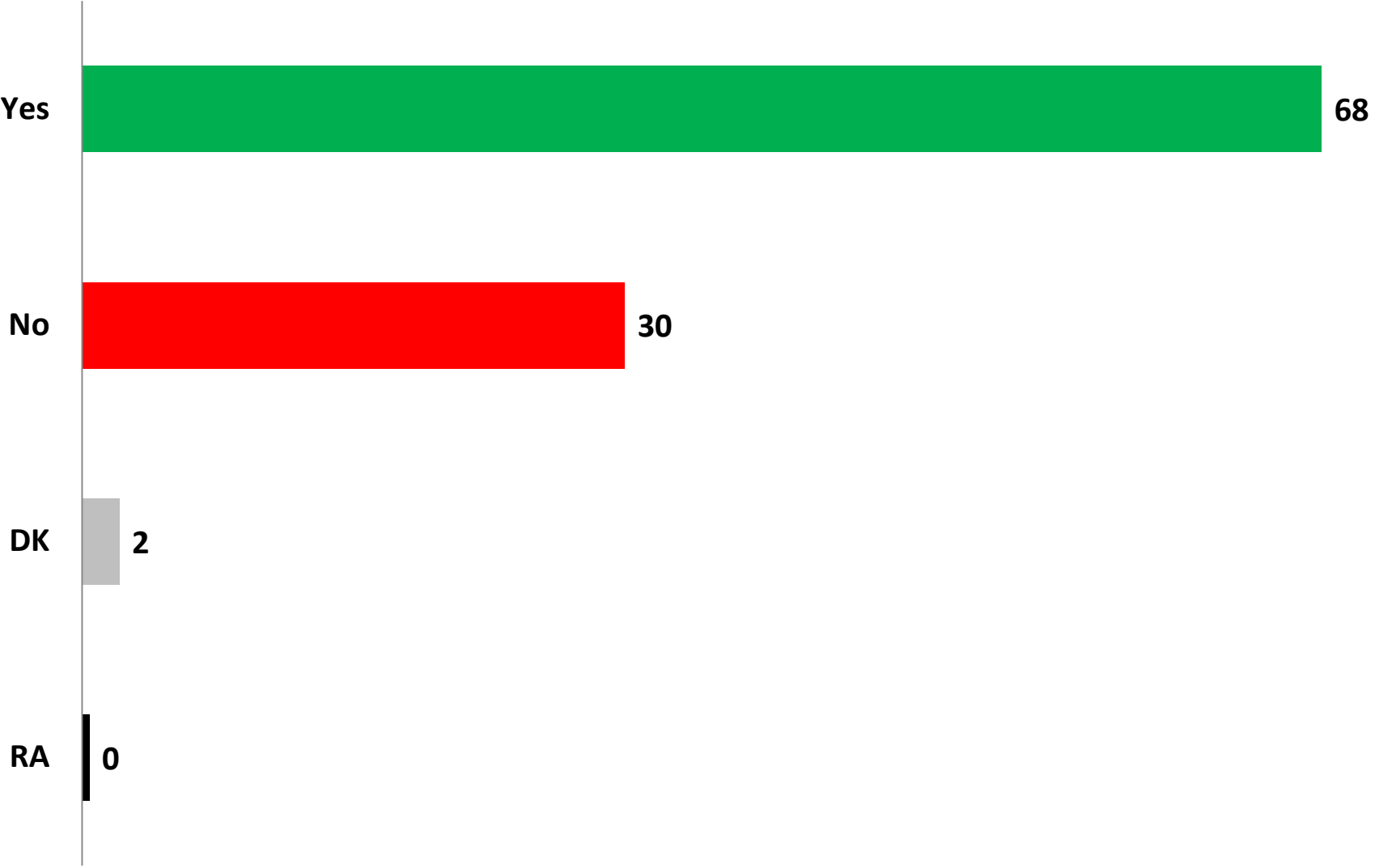


# Media

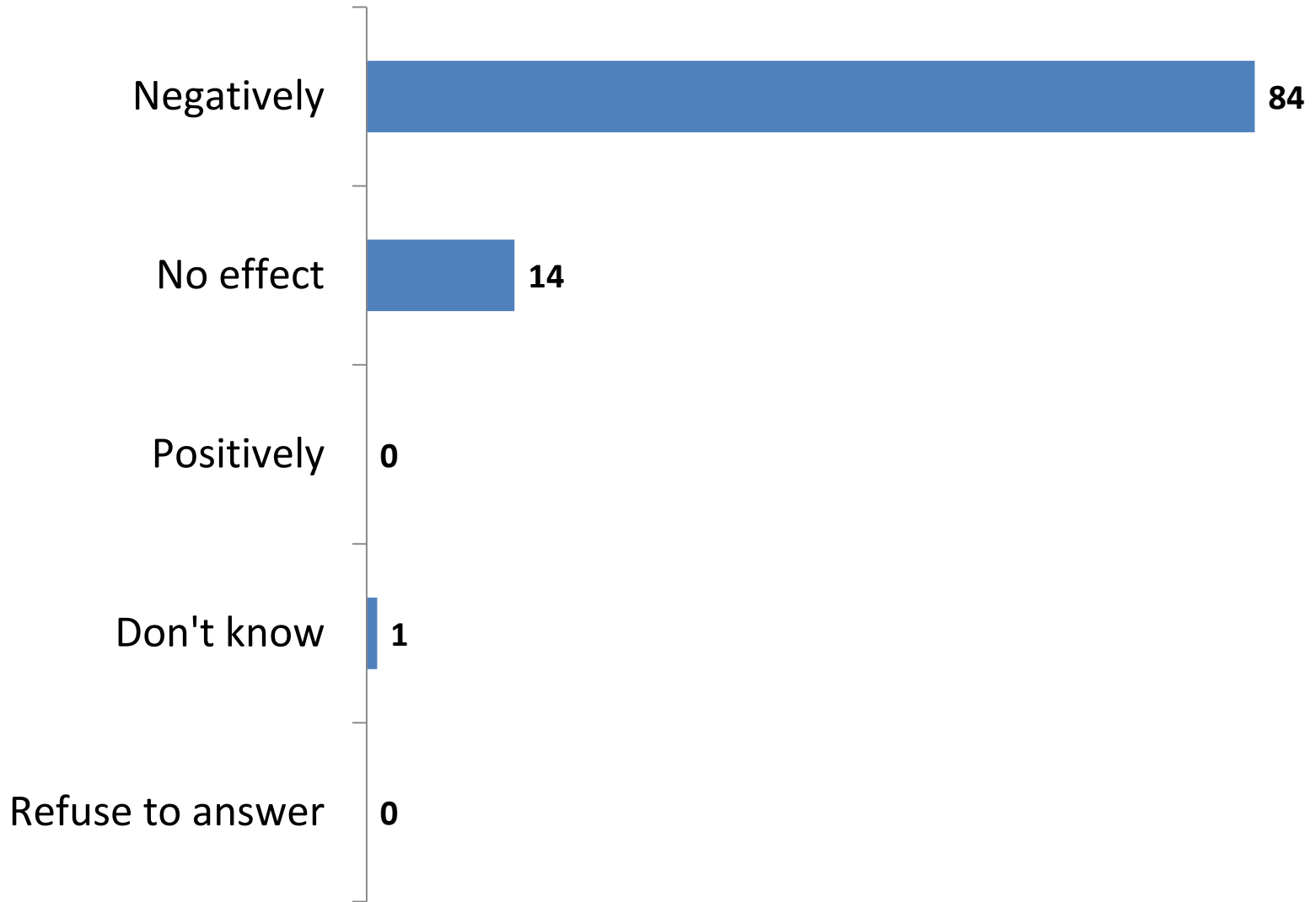
**On March 13, Imedi television broadcasted a program depicting a hypothetical invasion of Georgia, an opposition overthrow of the government, and an assassination of the president. Are you aware of this broadcast? National (84)**



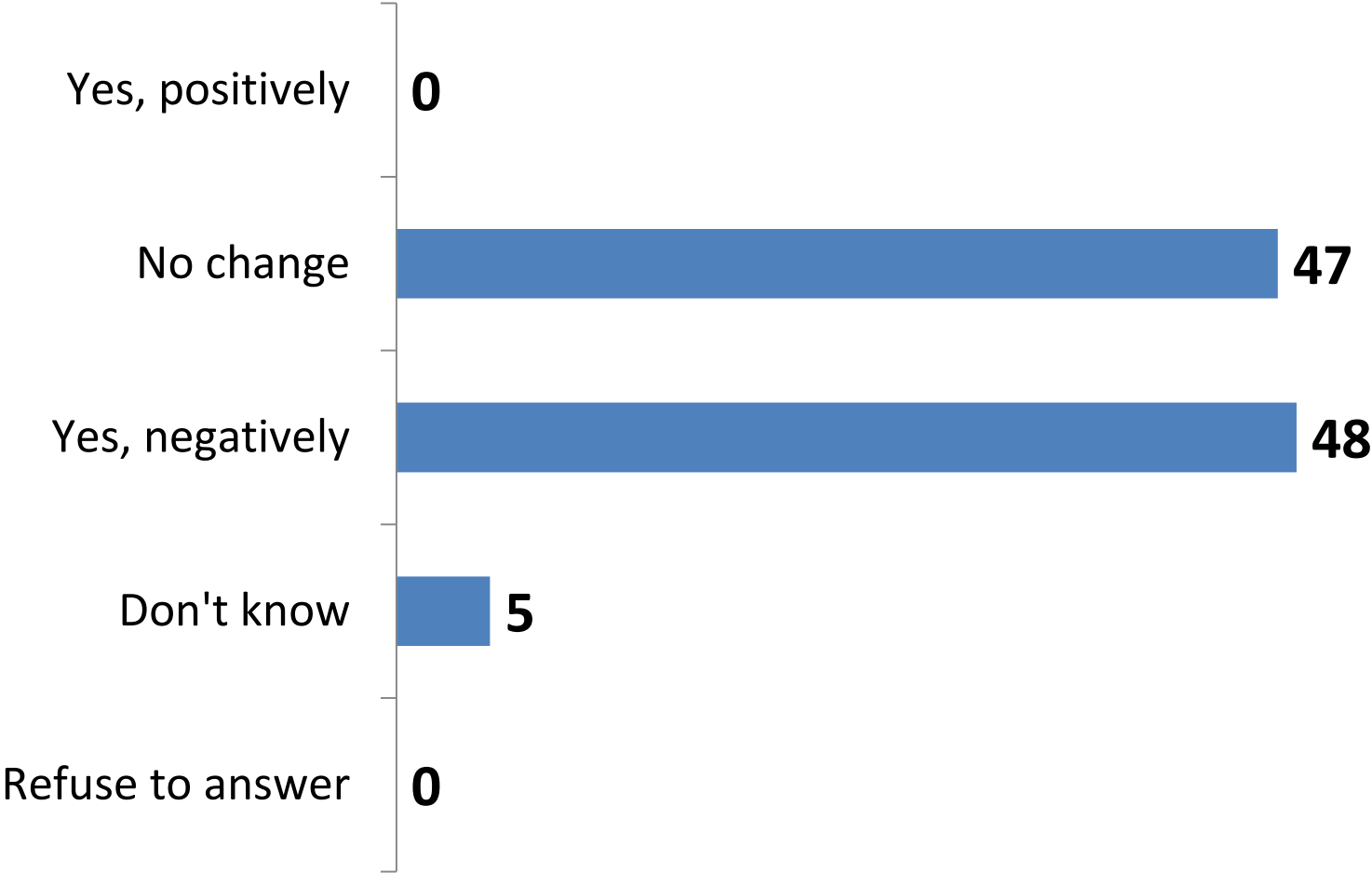
**If yes, did you believe the reports when you first heard them? National  
(85)**



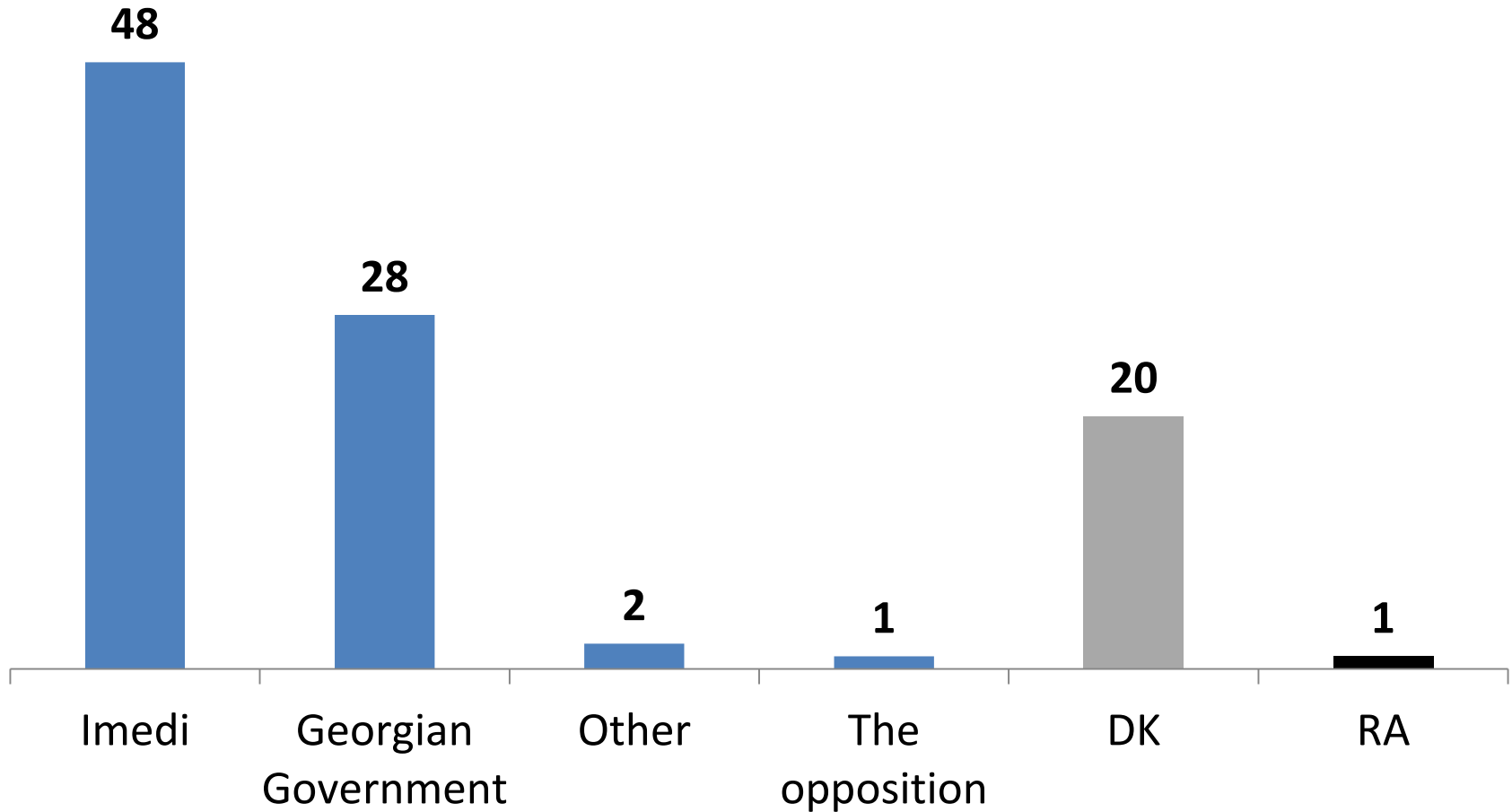
# If yes, how did it affect you? q86



# Has it changed your opinion of Imedi news? q87

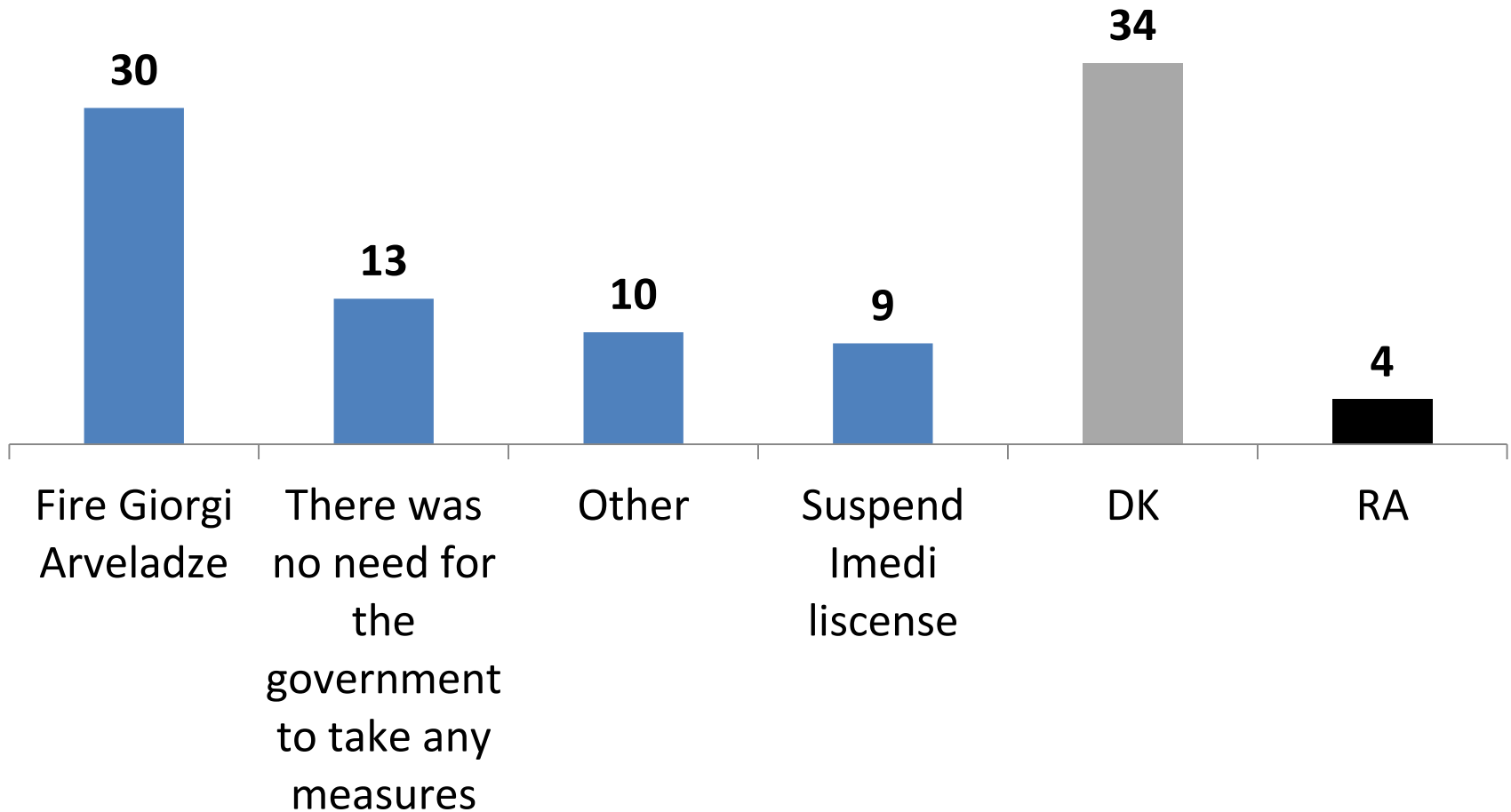


# Who is responsible for the broadcast? q88





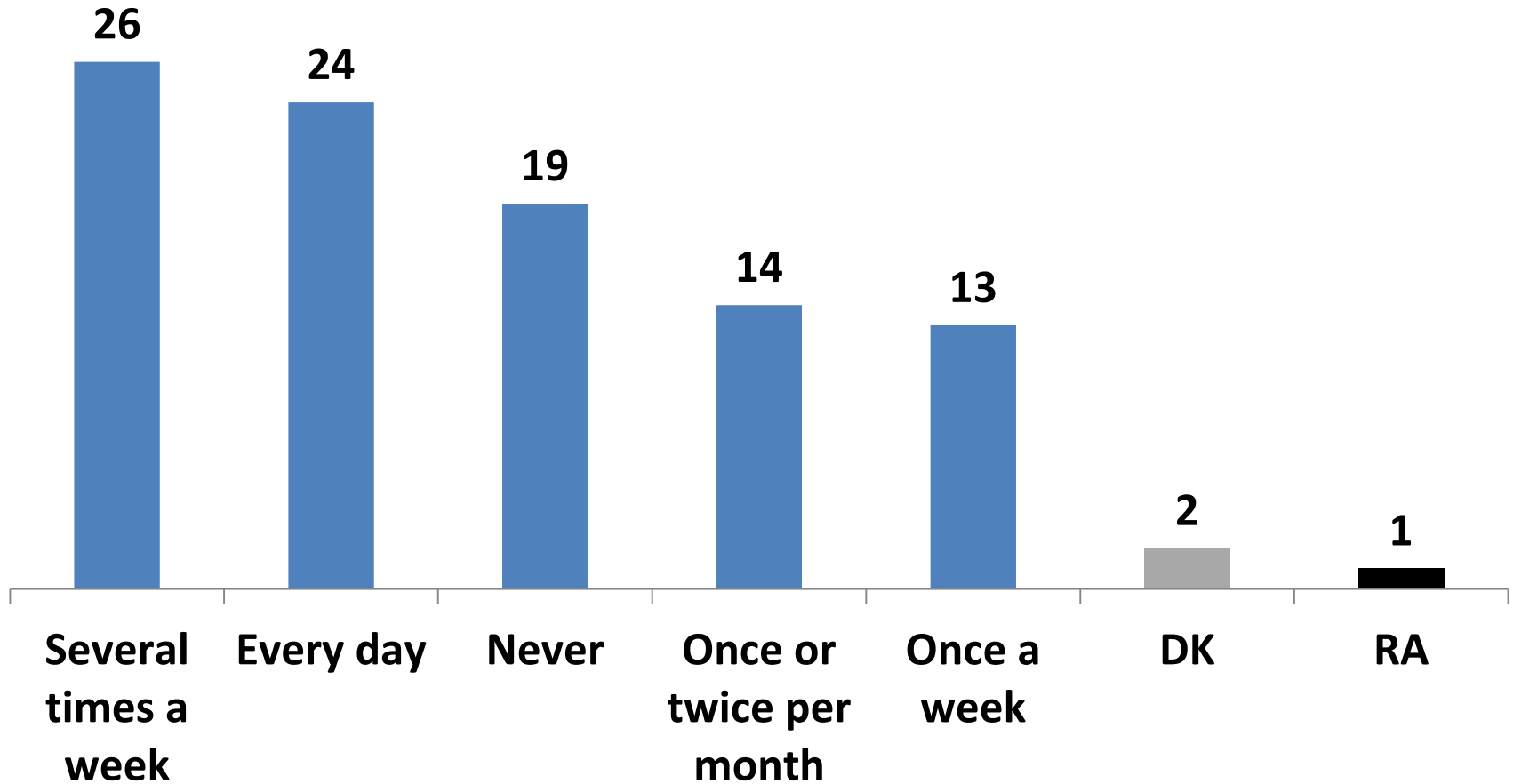
# What action should have been taken by the Georgian government in response to the program? q89



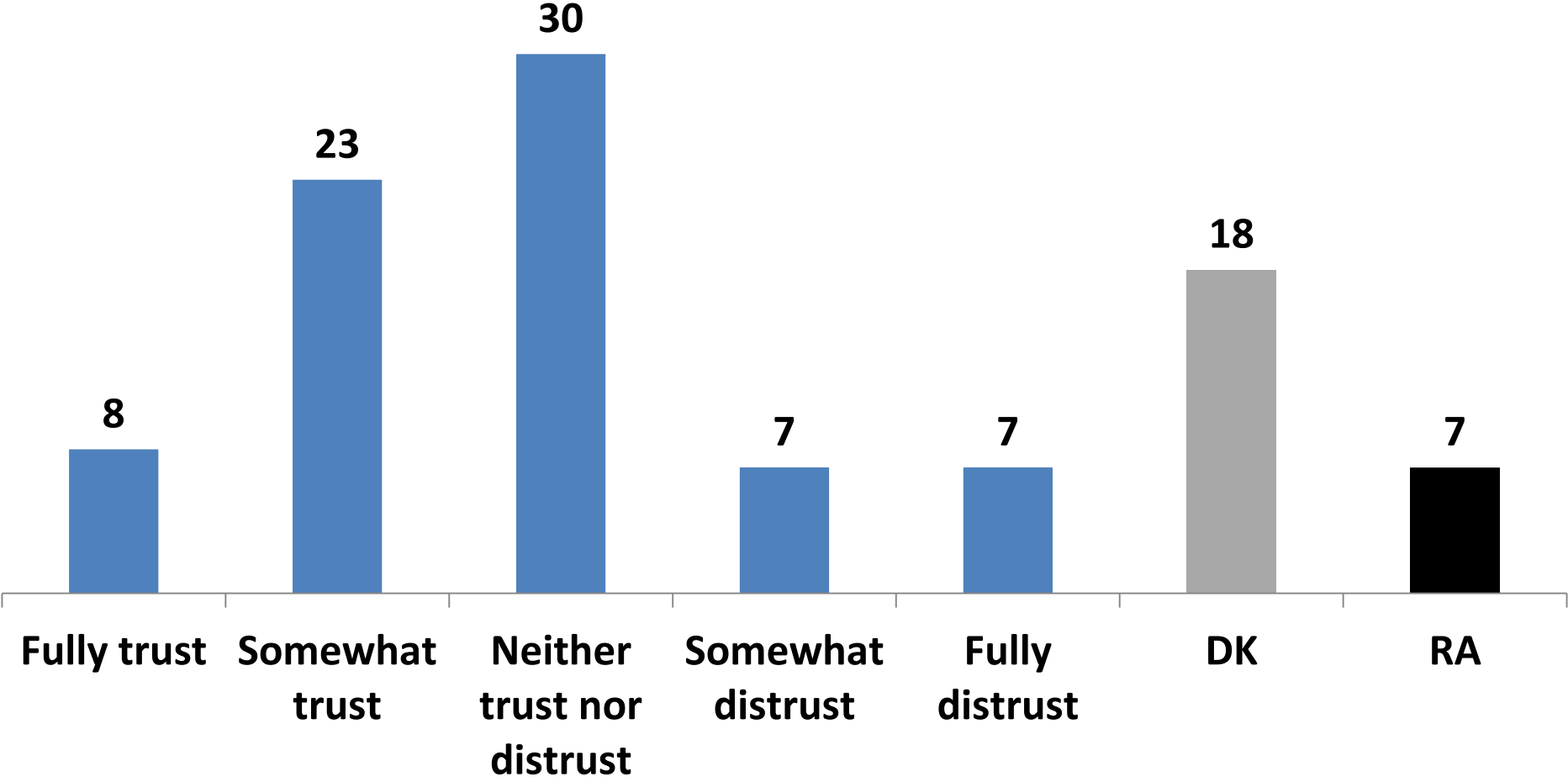
# Do you watch Georgian language TV coverage of politics and current events? q98



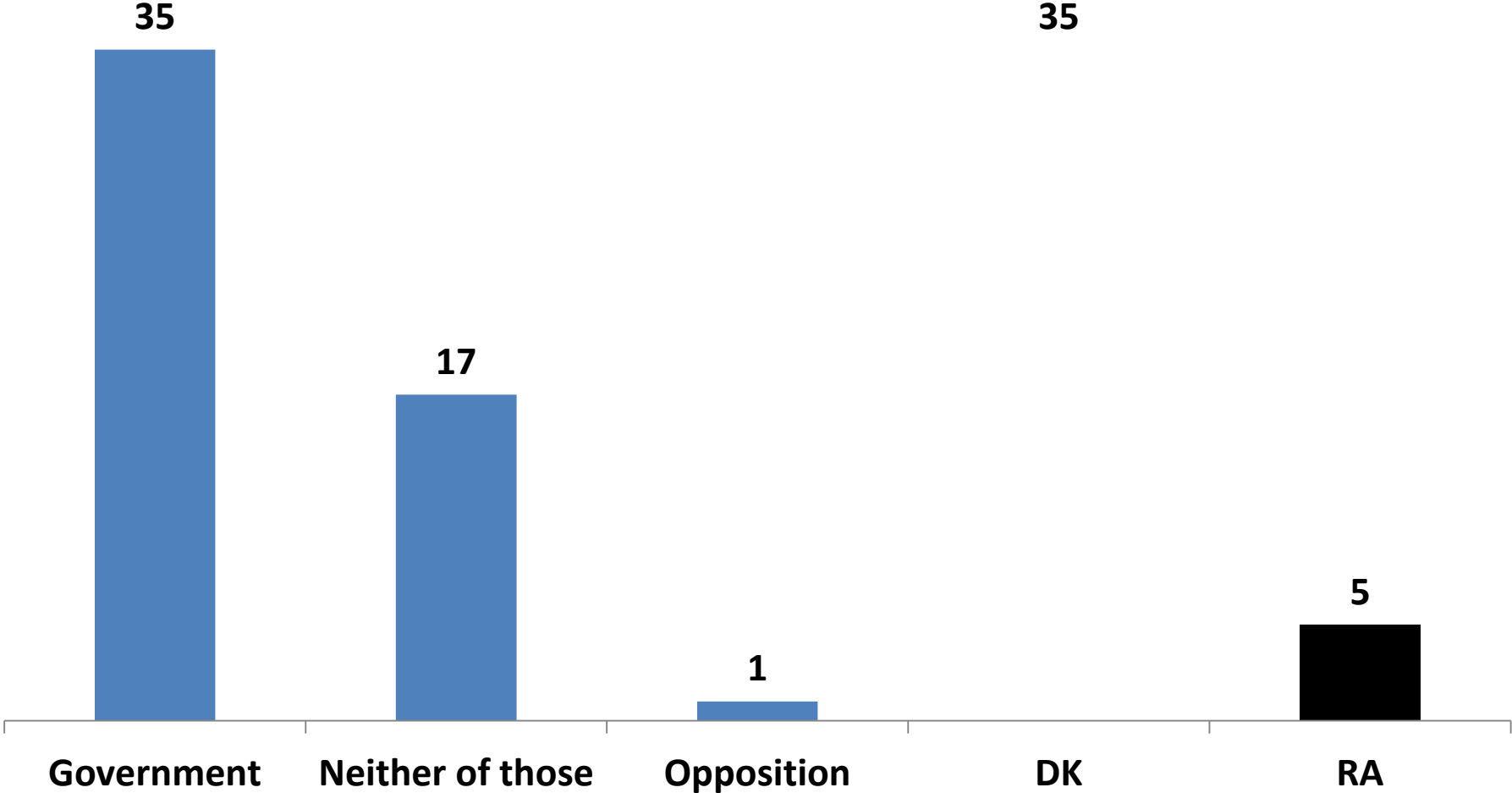
# How often do you receive news on politics and current events in Georgia from GBP (ch1)? q106



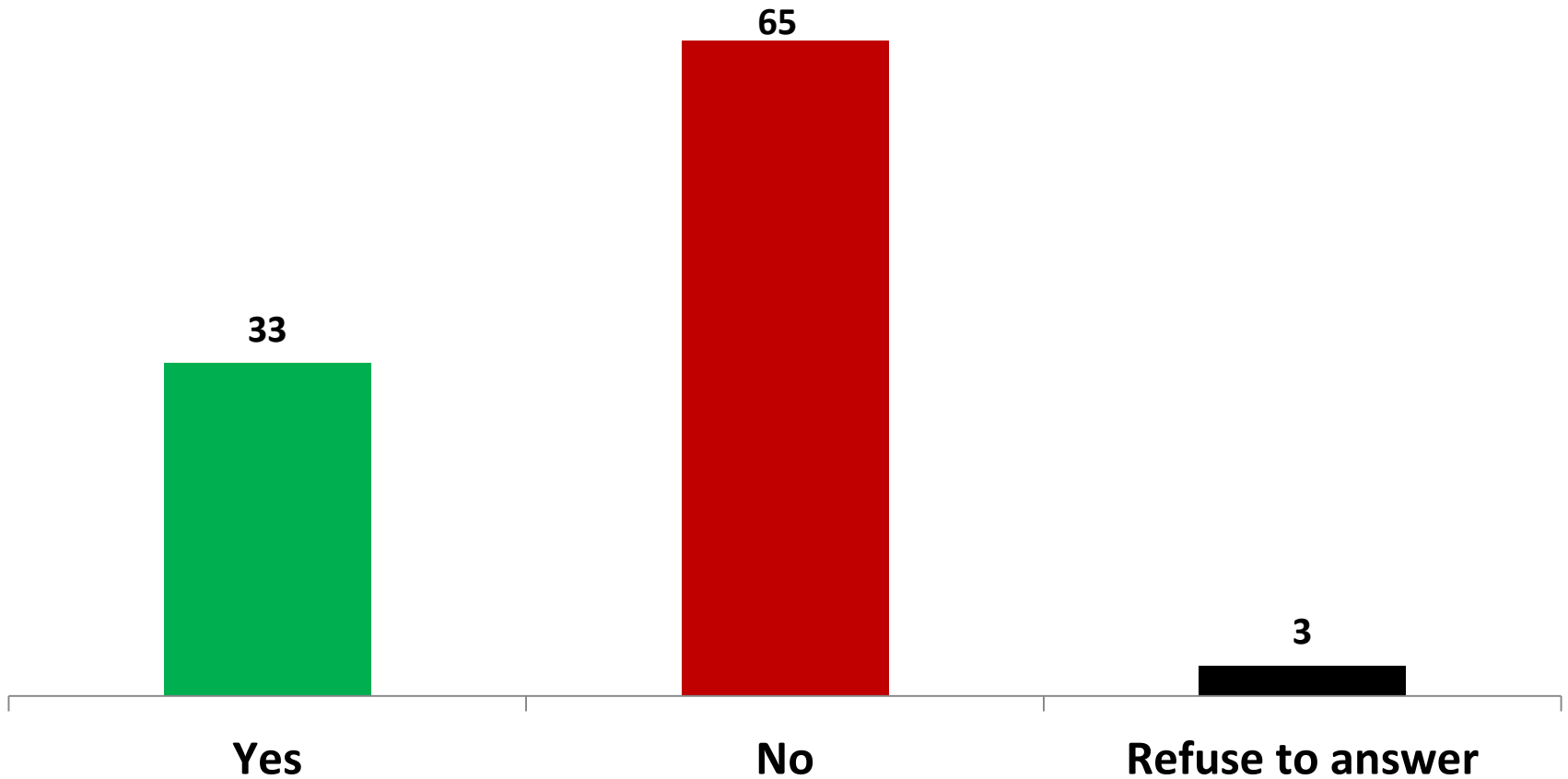
# In general how much do you trust news that is broadcasted on the GPB (ch1)? q107



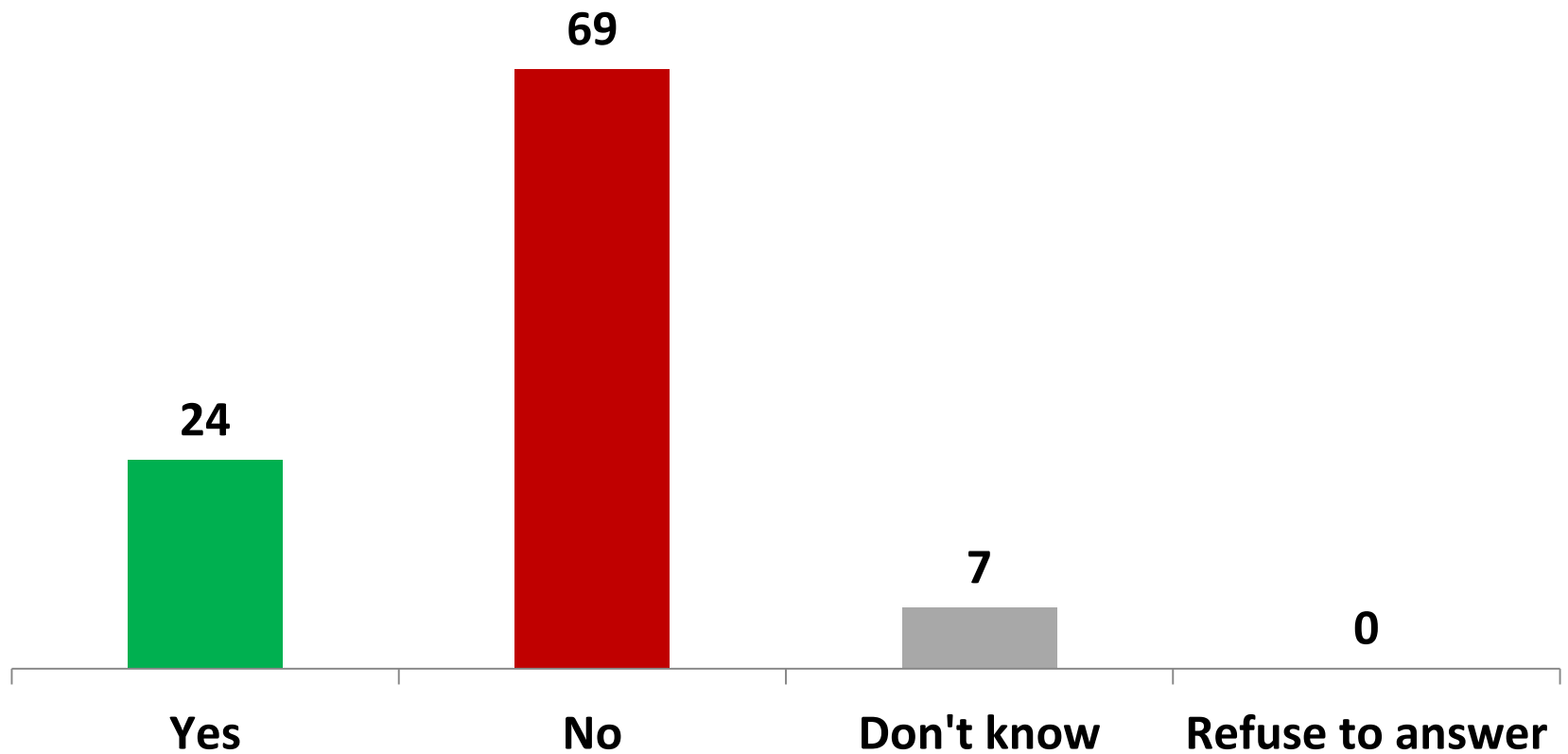
Do you think that domestic news and current affairs broadcasted on GBP (ch1) reflect the interests of? q108



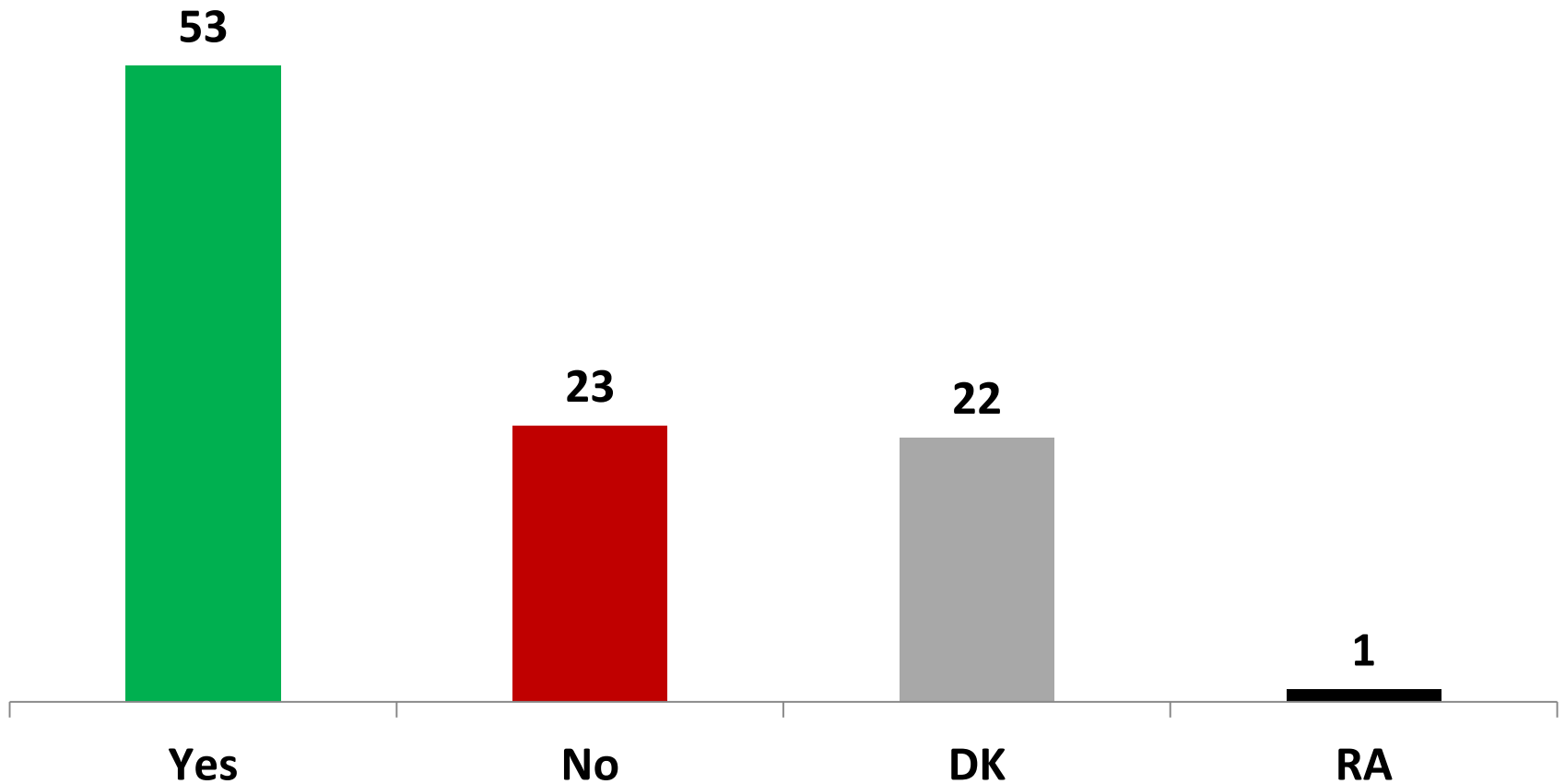
**Recently, the government and twelve opposition parties led the launch of a new political channel, GPB Channel 2. Do you know about this channel? q100**



# Do you receive Channel 2 at home? q101

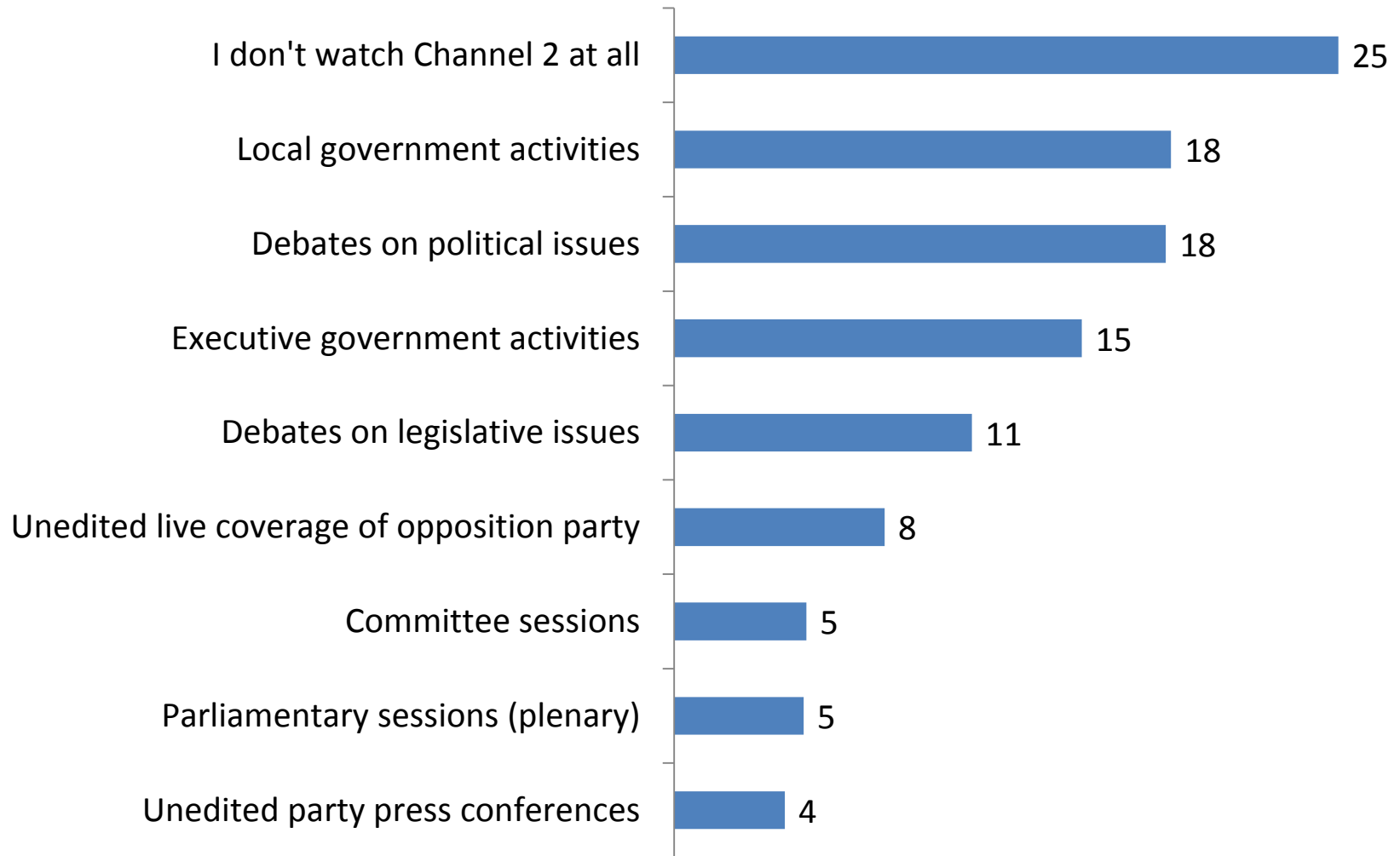


# Would you like to receive Channel 2 at home? q102





# What you would like to see more of on Channel 2? (q103)



# Do you watch Russian language TV coverage, including Russian channels, of Georgian politics and current affairs? q104

