



Public attitudes in Georgia:

Results of a November 2012 survey carried out for
NDI by CRRC

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Methodology - Current Wave

- This research has been conducted over multiple waves. The funding for this wave was provided by the Swedish International Development and Cooperation Agency (Sida)
- **Current survey wave:**
 - Fieldwork dates: November 14 – 25, 2012
 - 1,947 completed interviews
 - A nationally representative sample including capital, urban, rural, East Georgia and West Georgia areas.
- **Sample design**
 - NDI and CRRC use a complex survey design with both stratification and clustering
 - Households are selected via random route sampling
 - Respondents are selected using a Kish table
 - Randomly selected households and individuals are not substituted
 - All interviews are conducted face-to-face
- The average margin of error does not exceed +/- 3%

Methodology – Historical Waves

- This research has been conducted over multiple waves. The funding for most waves was provided by Sida, however one wave was funded by the Eurasia Foundation and one by the British Embassy
- Historical waves:
 - **August 2012**
 - Fieldwork dates: July 31 – August 12, 2012
 - 2,038 completed interviews
 - A nationally representative sample including Capital, urban and rural areas.
 - The average margin of error does not exceed +/- 3%
 - **June 2012**
 - Fieldwork dates: June 4 – June 22, 2012
 - 6,299 completed interviews
 - A nationally representative sample including urban and rural areas as well as additional representative samples of the self governing cities of Tbilisi, Kutaisi, Batumi, Poti and Rustavi as well as the Majoritarian districts of Saburtalo, Isani, Samgori, Nadzaladvi, Gldani, Telavi, Kobuleti, Zugdidi and Gori
 - The average margin of error does not exceed +/- 2%
 - **February 2012**
 - Fieldwork dates: February 22 – March 5, 2012
 - 3,161 completed interviews
 - A nationally representative sample including representative samples of Tbilisi, Kutaisi, Batumi, Poti, Rustavi, Telavi District 17, other urban and rural areas

Methodology – Historical Waves

– September 2011

- Fieldwork dates: September 9-21, 2011
- 2,425 completed interviews
- A nationally representative sample with additional representative samples in Tbilisi, Kutaisi, Batumi, Poti, Rustavi, Telavi District 17, other urban and rural areas

– March 2011

- Fieldwork dates: March 4-17, 2011
- 2,893 completed interviews
- A nationally representative sample, including representative samples in Tbilisi, Kutaisi, Batumi, Rustavi, other urban and rural areas

– July 2010

- Fieldwork dates: June 24 – July 5, 2010
- 2,053 completed interviews
- A nationally representative sample including Including an oversample of Tbilisi

– April 2010

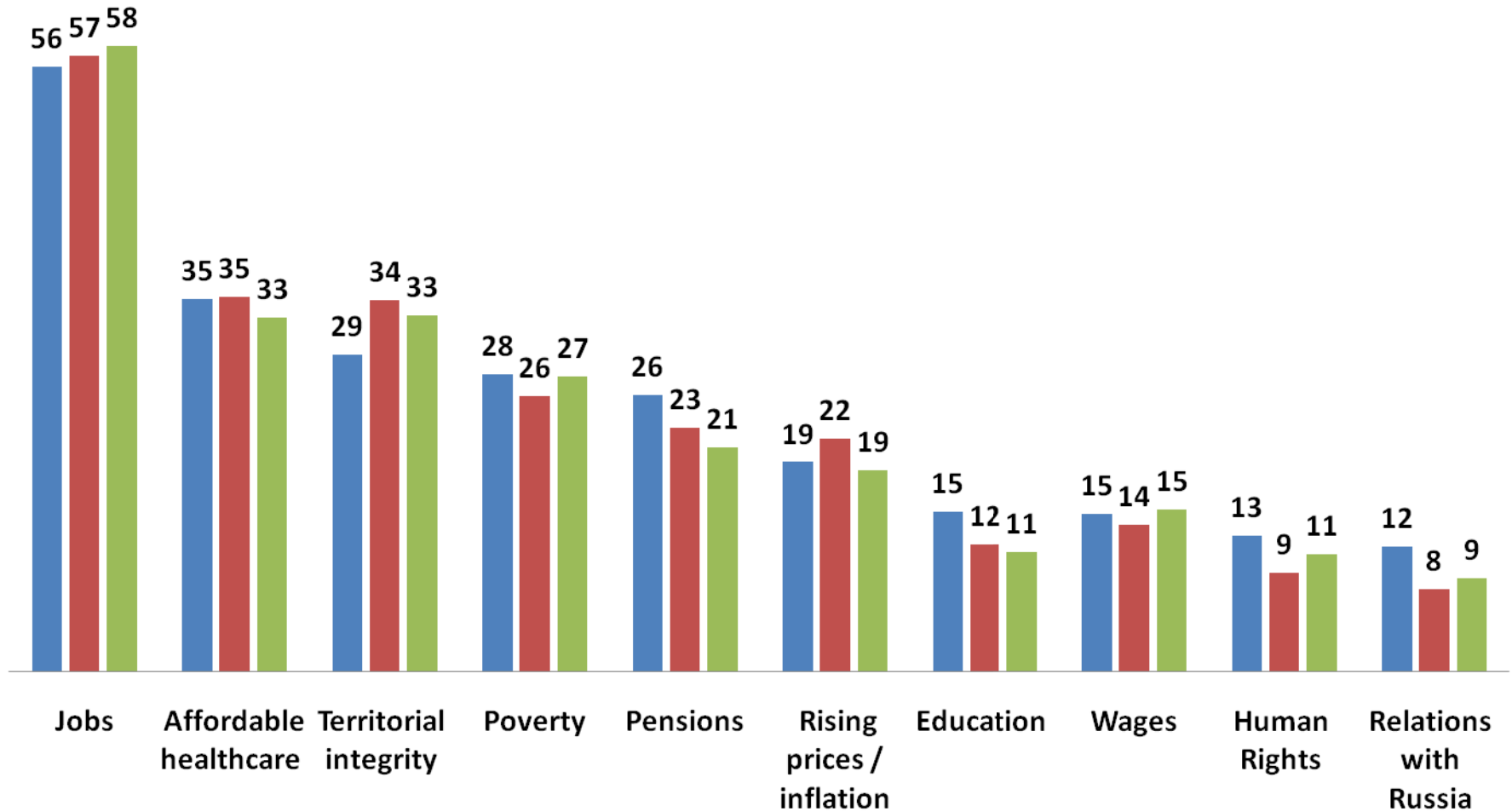
- Fieldwork dates: April 11-26, 2010
- 2,053 completed interviews
- A nationally representative sample, including an oversample of Tbilisi and representative samples in urban and rural areas

- The average margin of error for these waves is +/- 3%

National and Local Issues

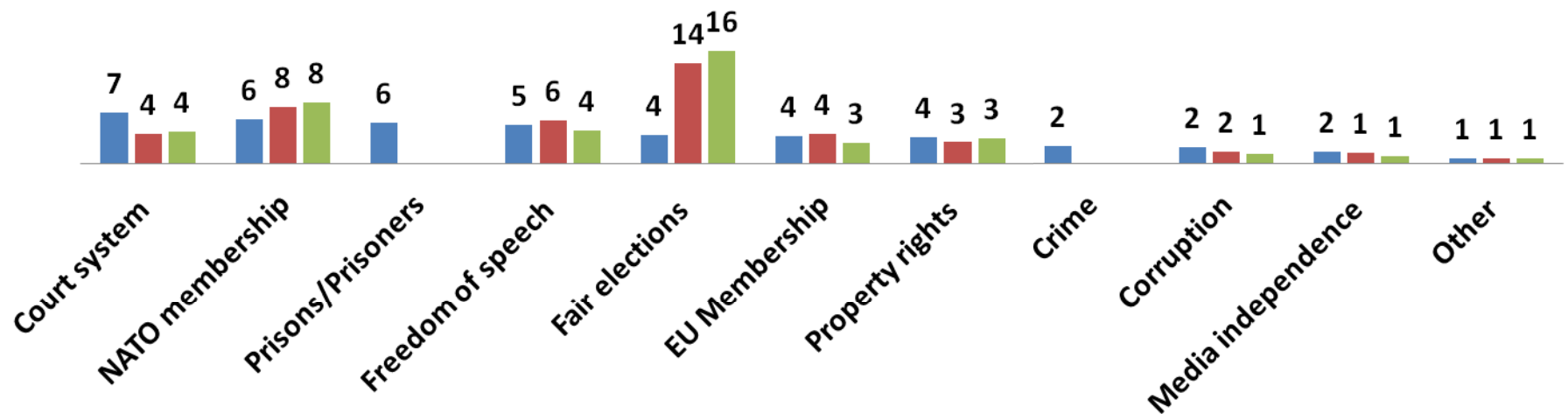
Most important national issues (q1) Part 1

■ November 2012 ■ August 2012 ■ June 2012



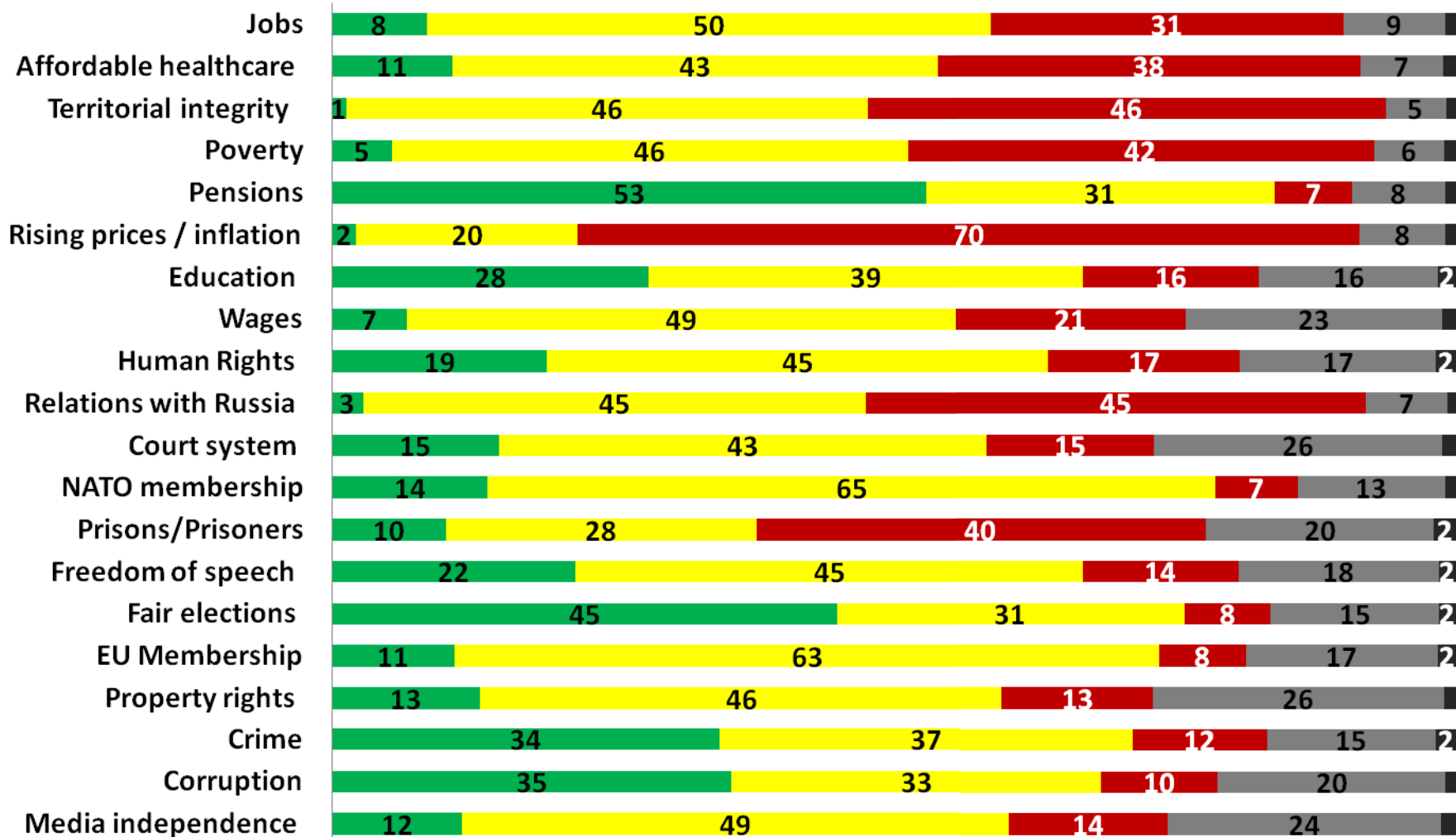
Most important national issues (q1) Part 2

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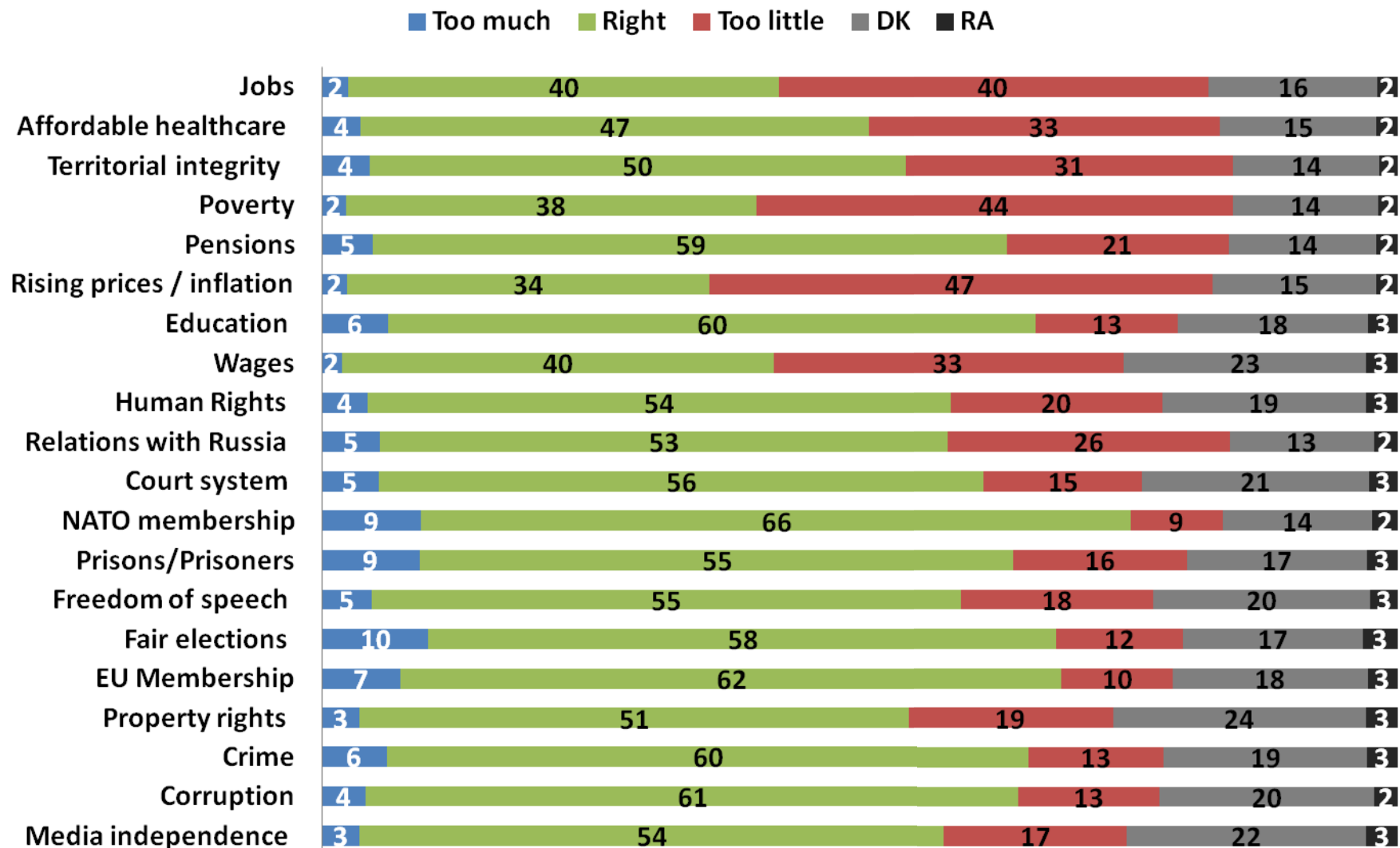


How do you think the situation has changed in Georgia compared to January 2008? (q2)

■ Better ■ Same ■ Worse ■ DK ■ RA

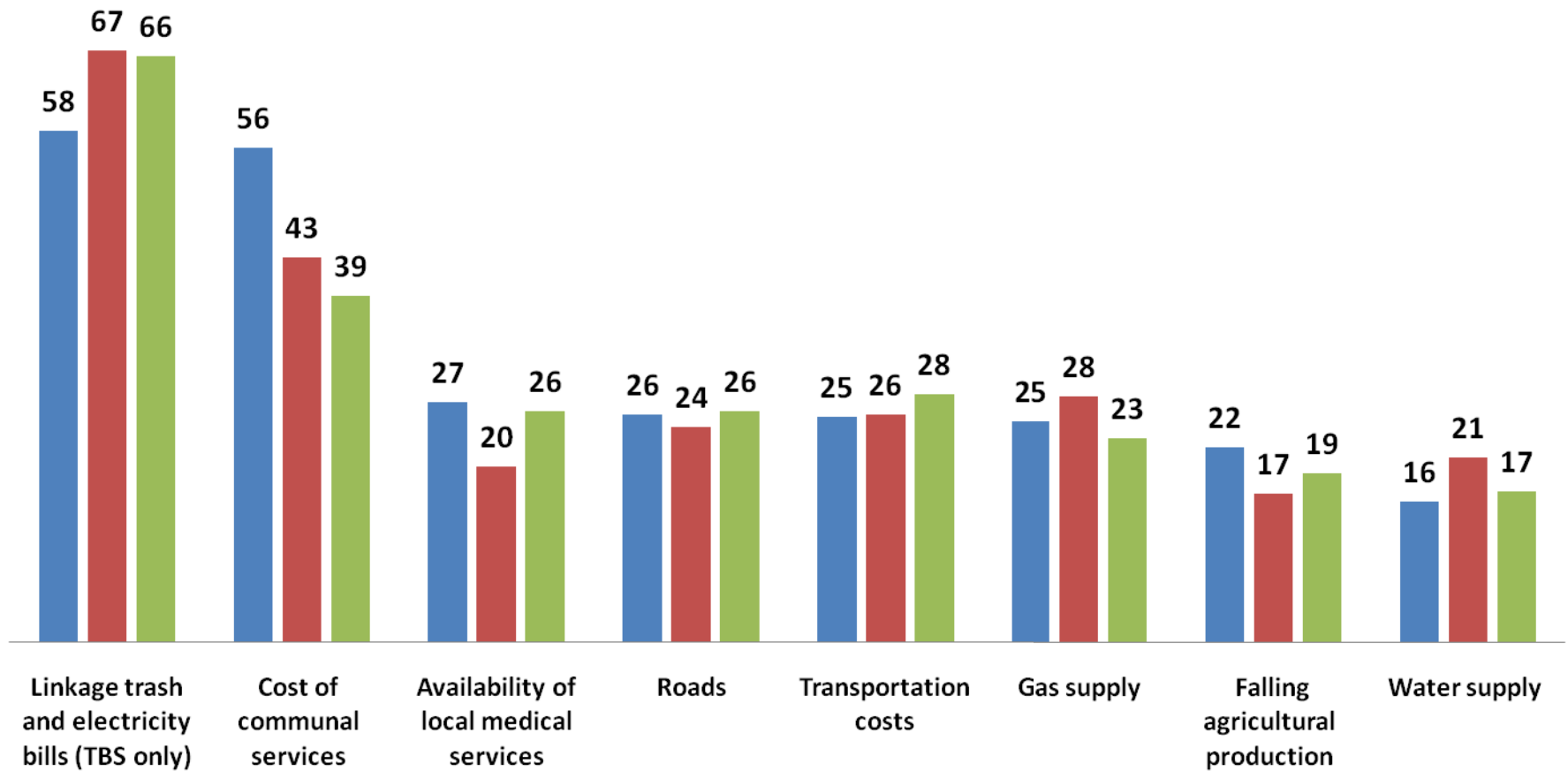


Politicians in Georgia talk about... too much, the right amount or too little? (q3)



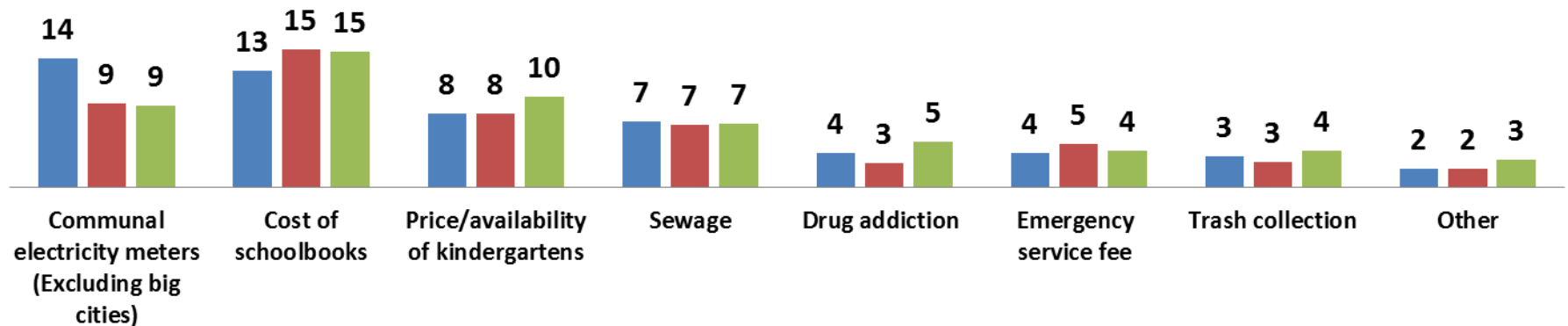
Most important local issues (q4) Part 1

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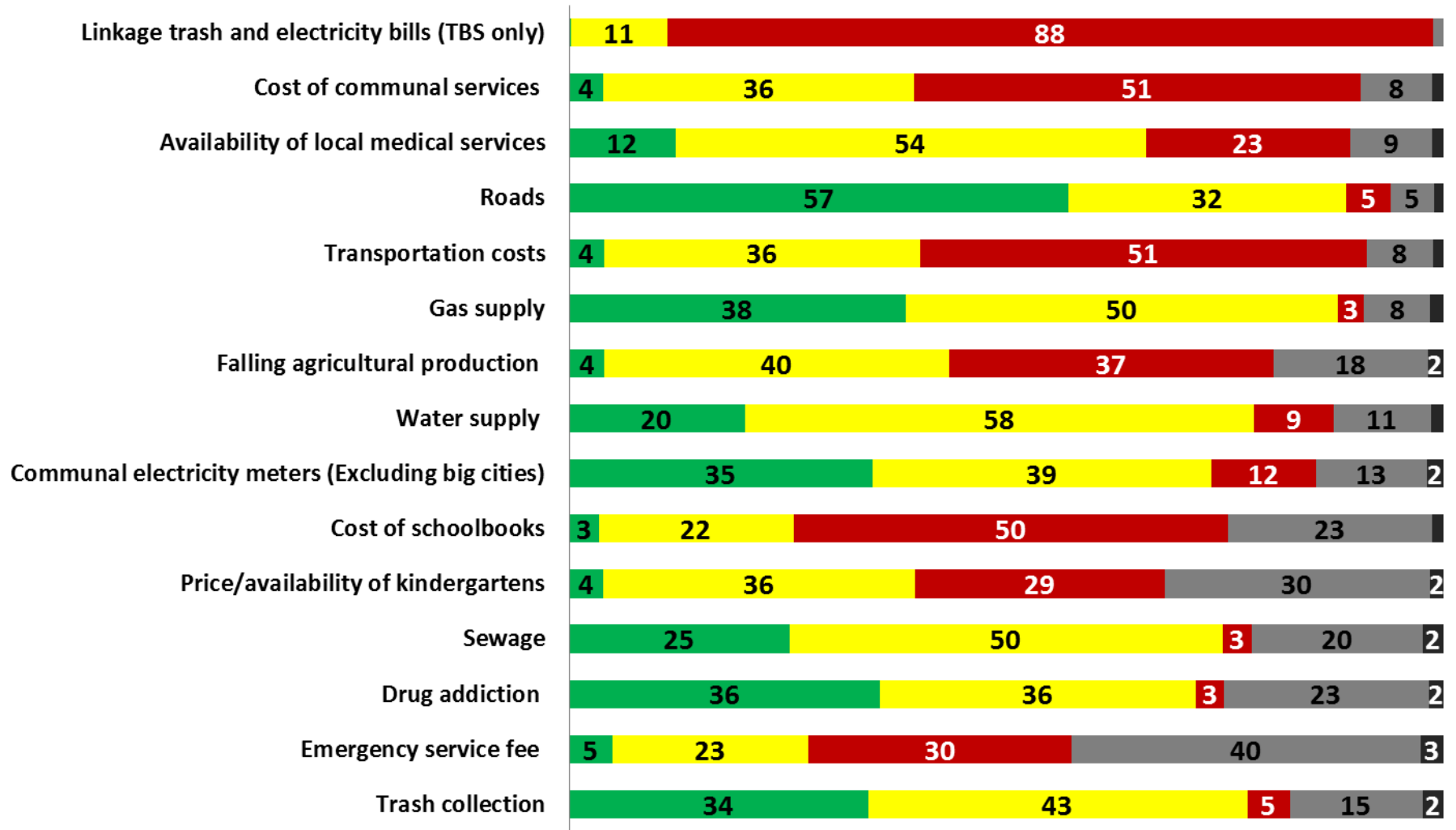
Most important local issues (q4) Part 2

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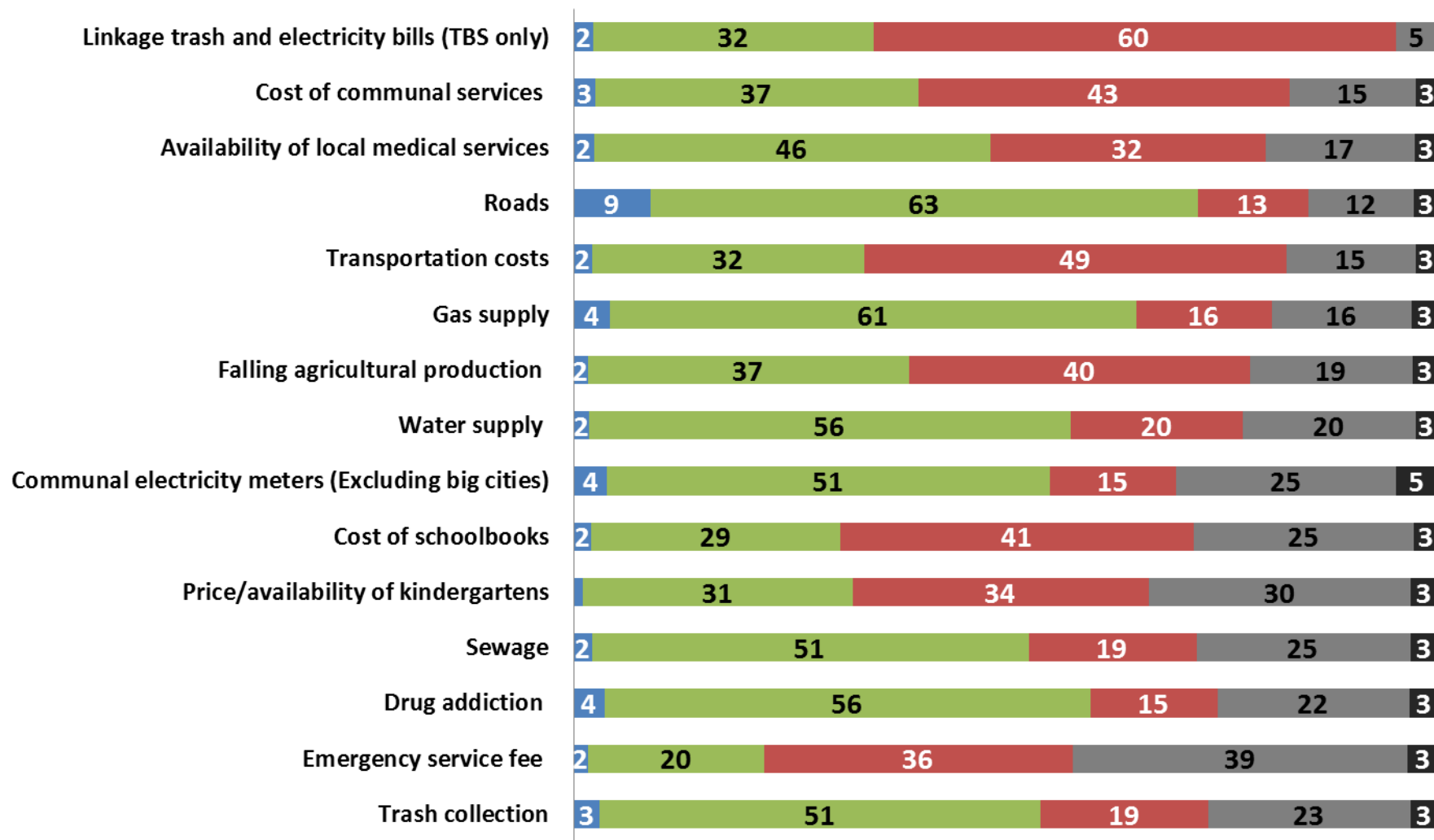
How do you think the situation has changed in Georgia compared to January 2008? (q5)

■ Better ■ Same ■ Worse ■ DK ■ RA

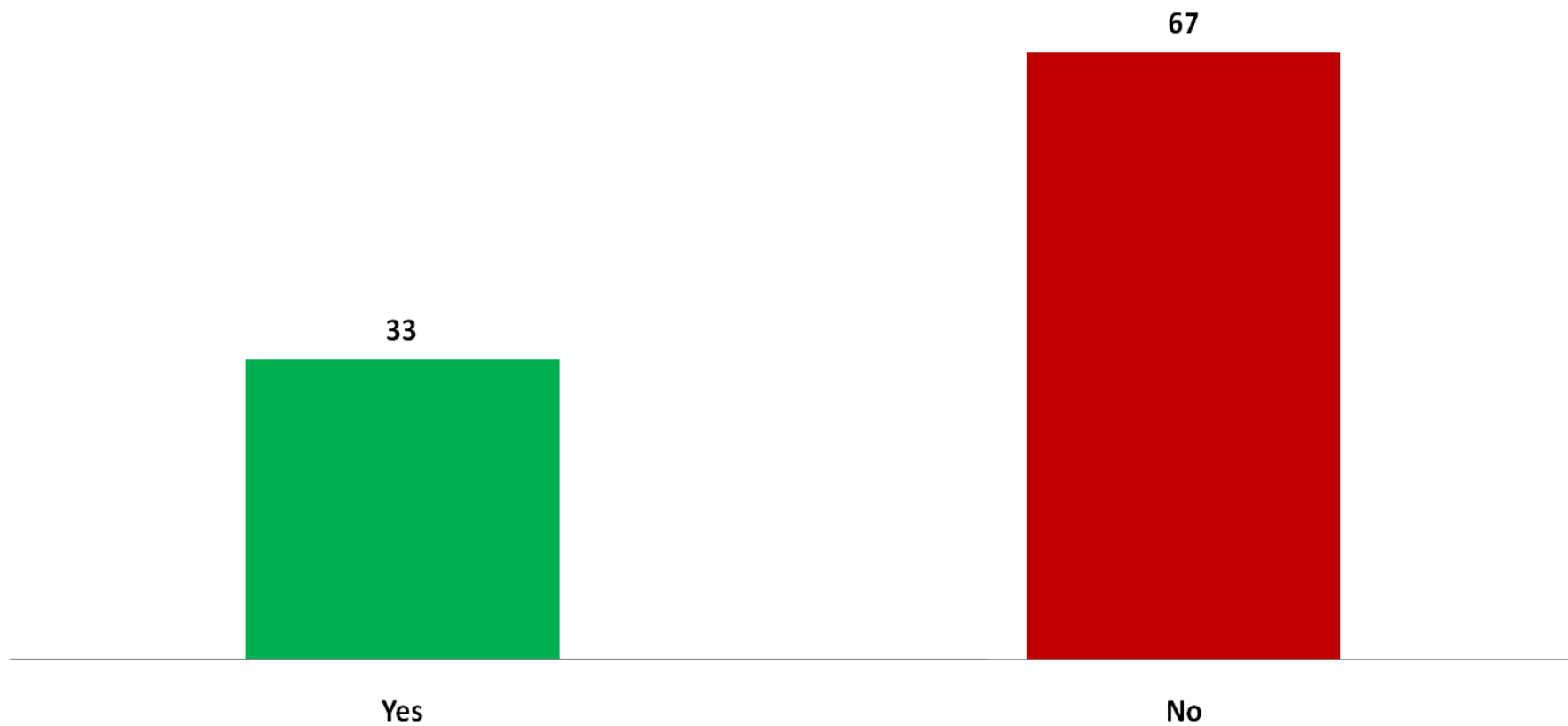


Politicians in Georgia talk about... too much, the right amount or too little? (q6)

■ Too much ■ Right ■ Too little ■ DK ■ RA



Do you consider yourself to be employed? (q86)



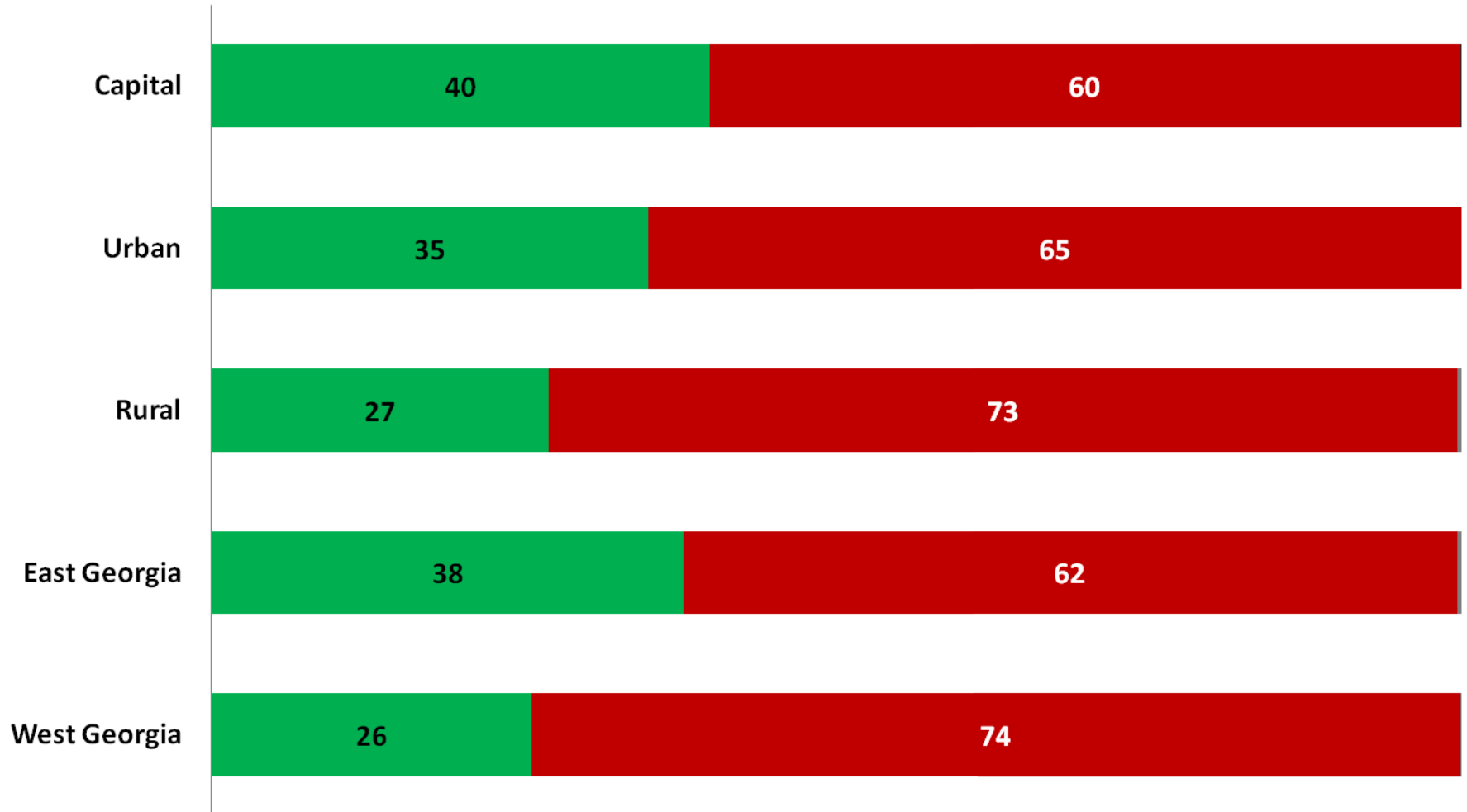
Do you consider yourself to be employed? (q86 X Settlement)

Yes

No

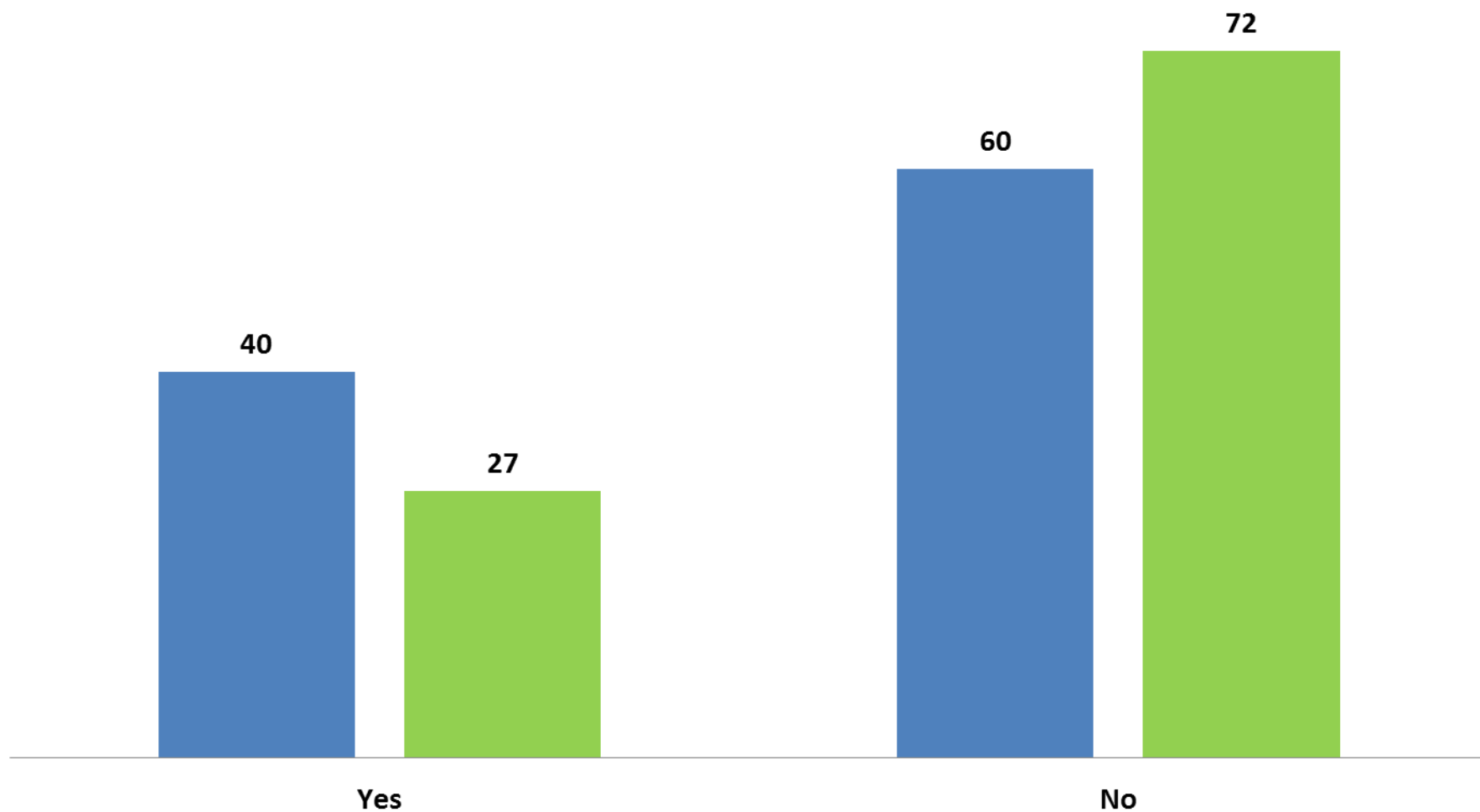
DK

RA



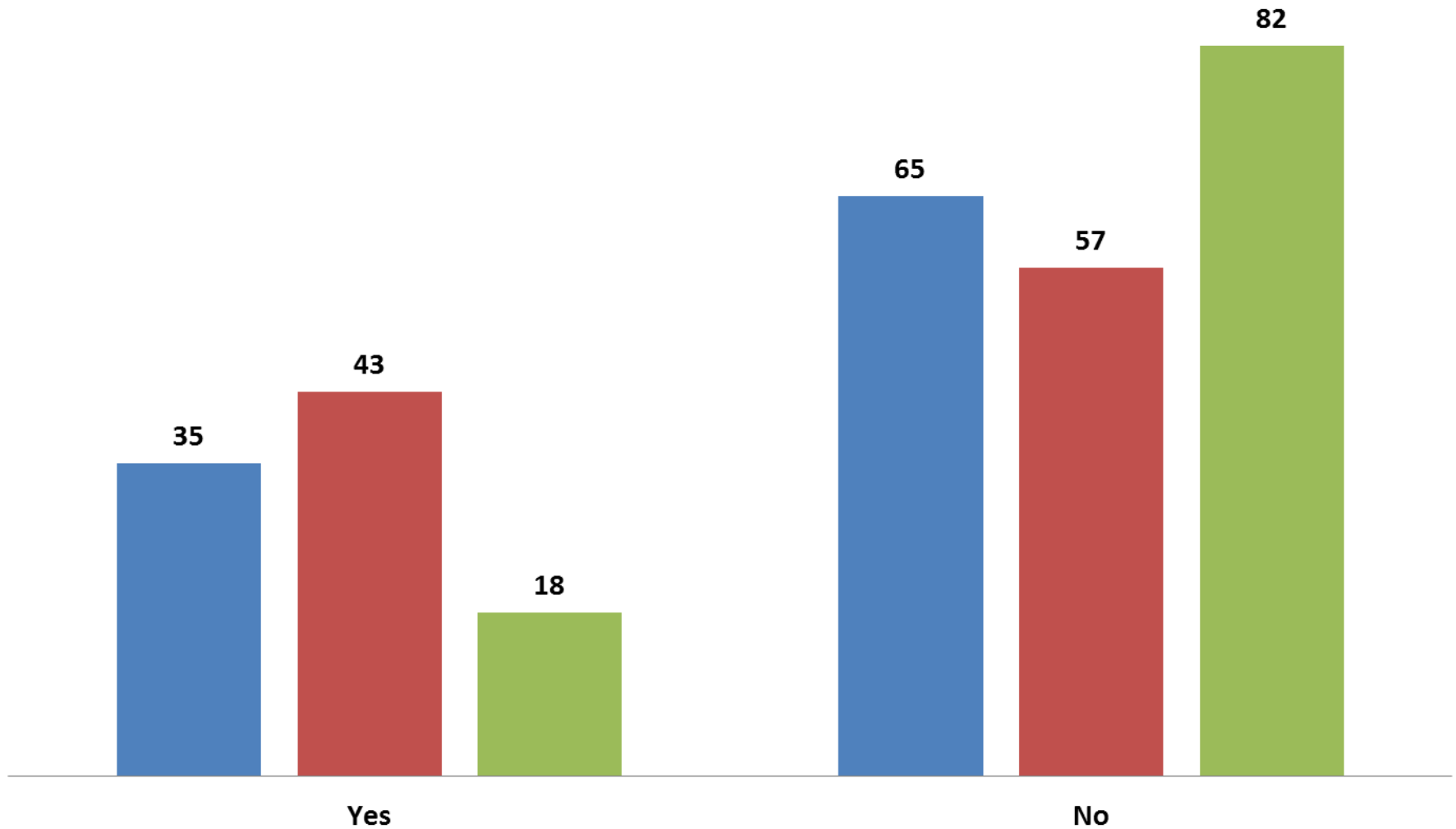
Do you consider yourself to be employed? (q86 X Gender)

■ Male ■ Female

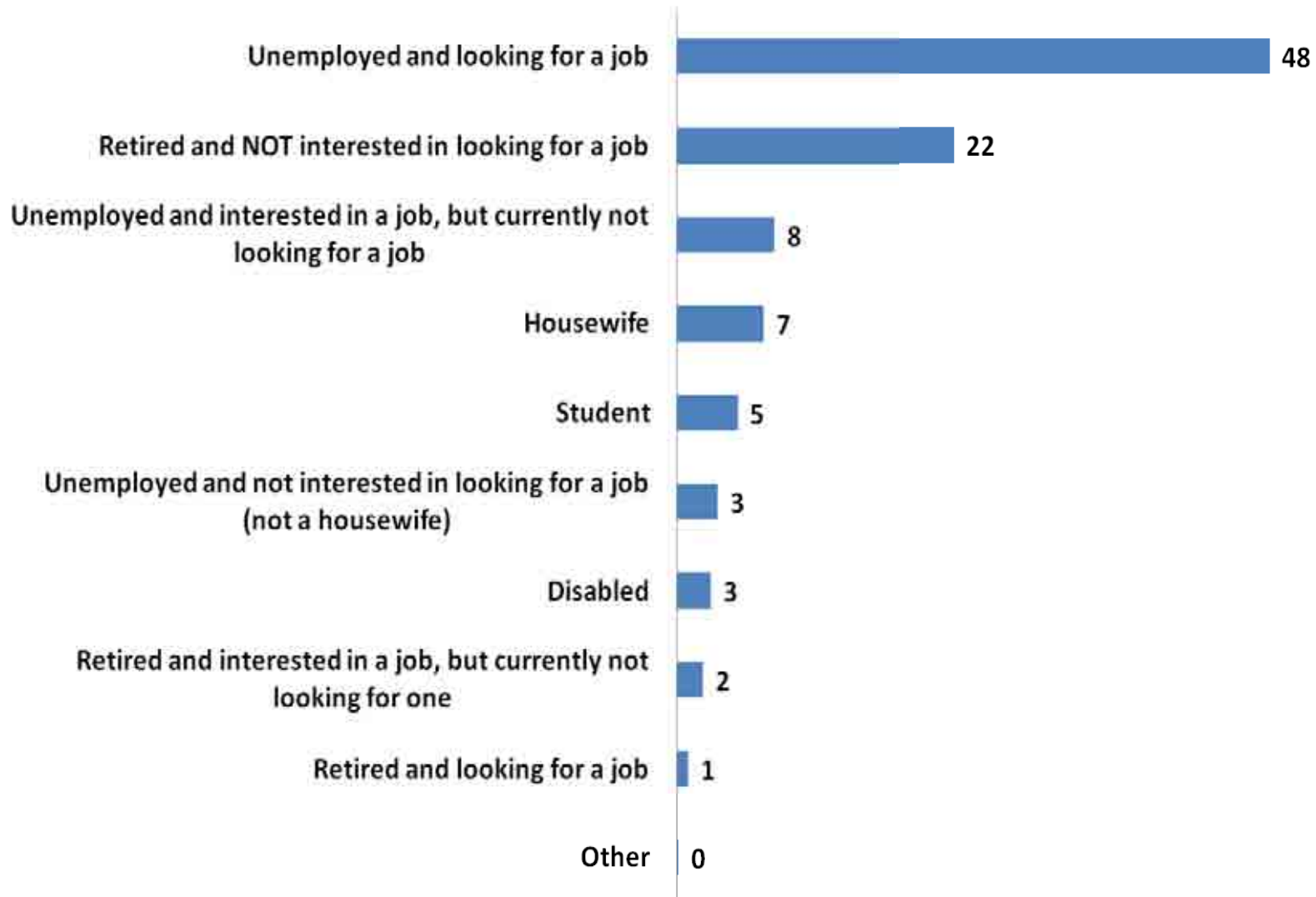


Do you consider yourself to be employed? (q86 X Age)

■ 18-35 ■ 36-55 ■ 55+



Which of the following best describes your situation? (q88)



Georgian Employment at a Glance

The illustration to the right shows these groups as follows:



33%--Employed (full or part time)



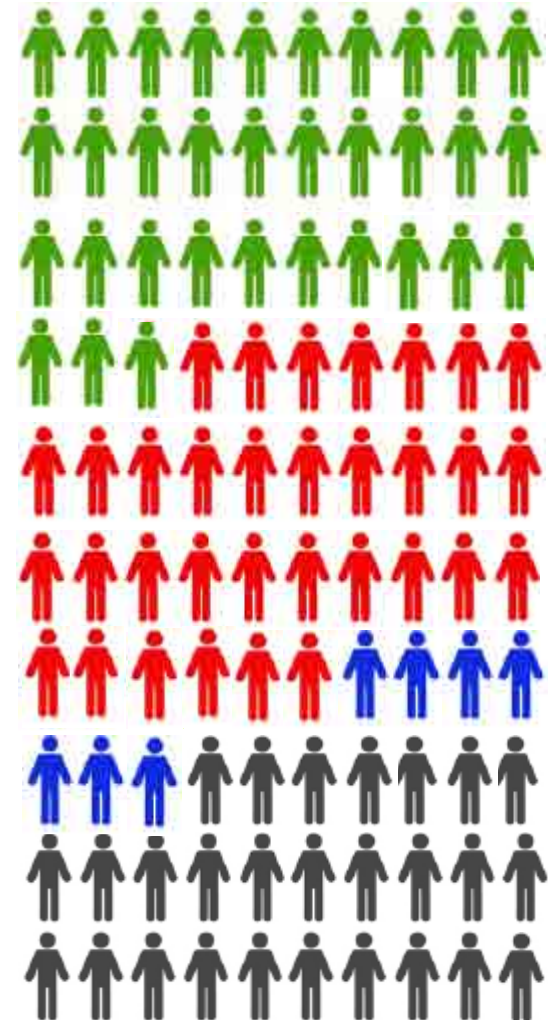
33%--Unemployed and looking for work (This includes both unemployed and retired persons who are looking for work.)



7%--Unemployed and not looking for work (This includes unemployed and retired persons who are interested in a job, but who are not looking.)

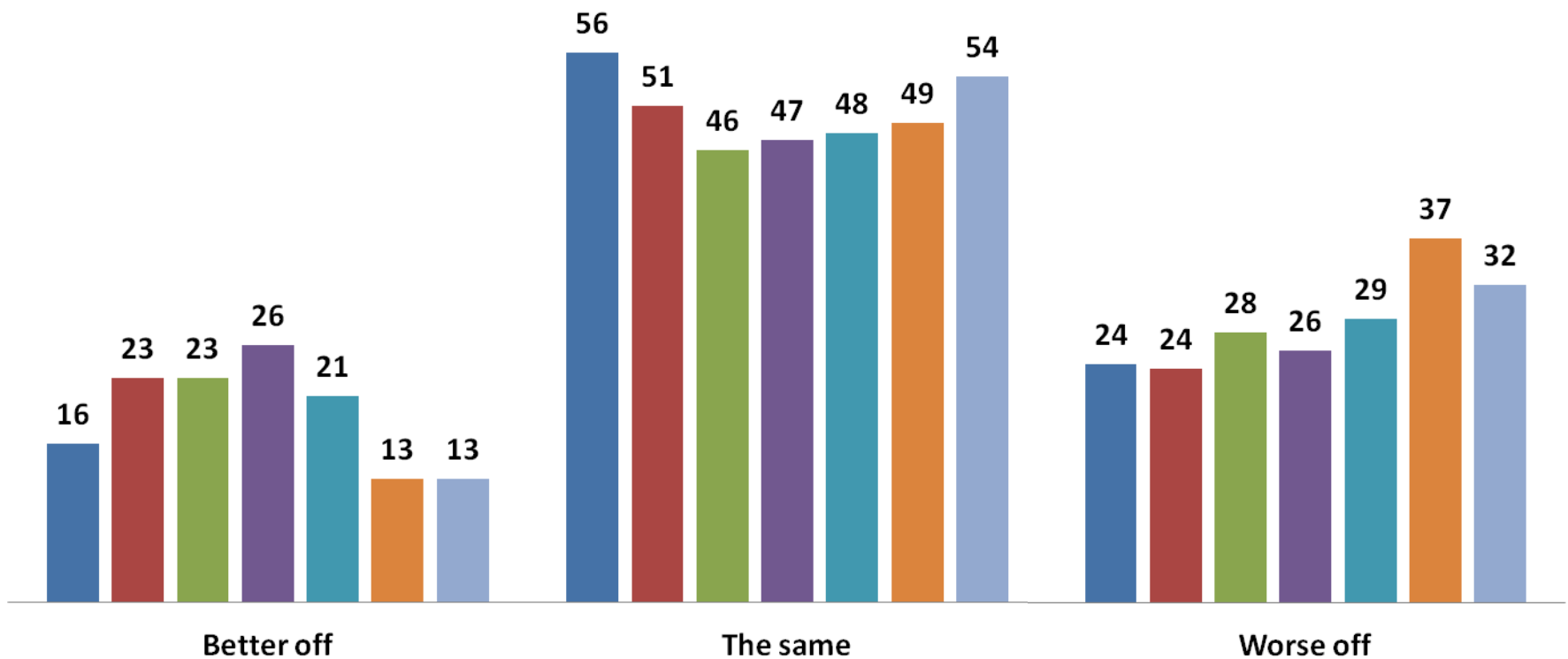


27%--Non-active labour force (This includes students, homemakers, retired persons who are not interested in looking for a job, etc.)

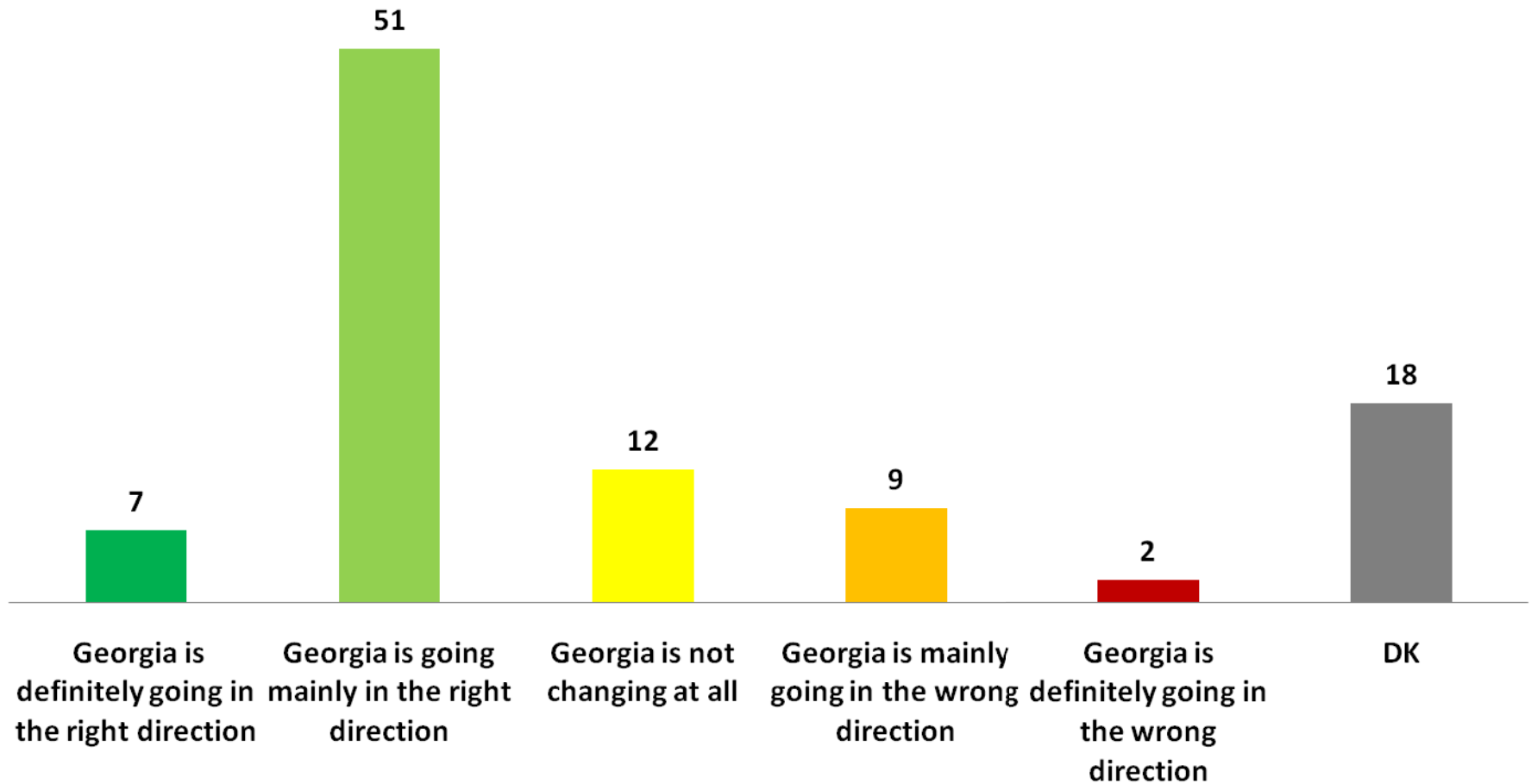


Generally, taking everything into account, since January 2008 you and your household are. . . (q10)

■ November 2012 ■ August 2012 ■ June 2012 ■ February 2012 ■ September 11 ■ March 11 ■ July 10



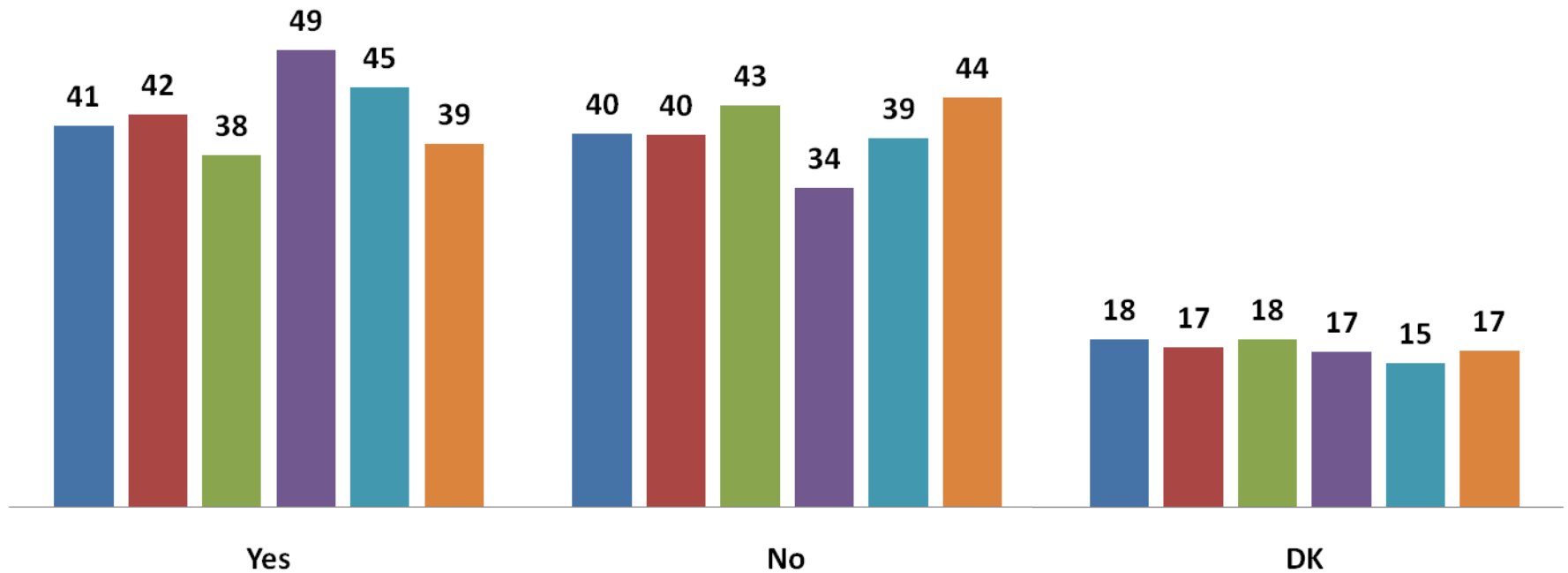
In which direction is Georgia going? (q11)



Democracy, Reforms and Elections

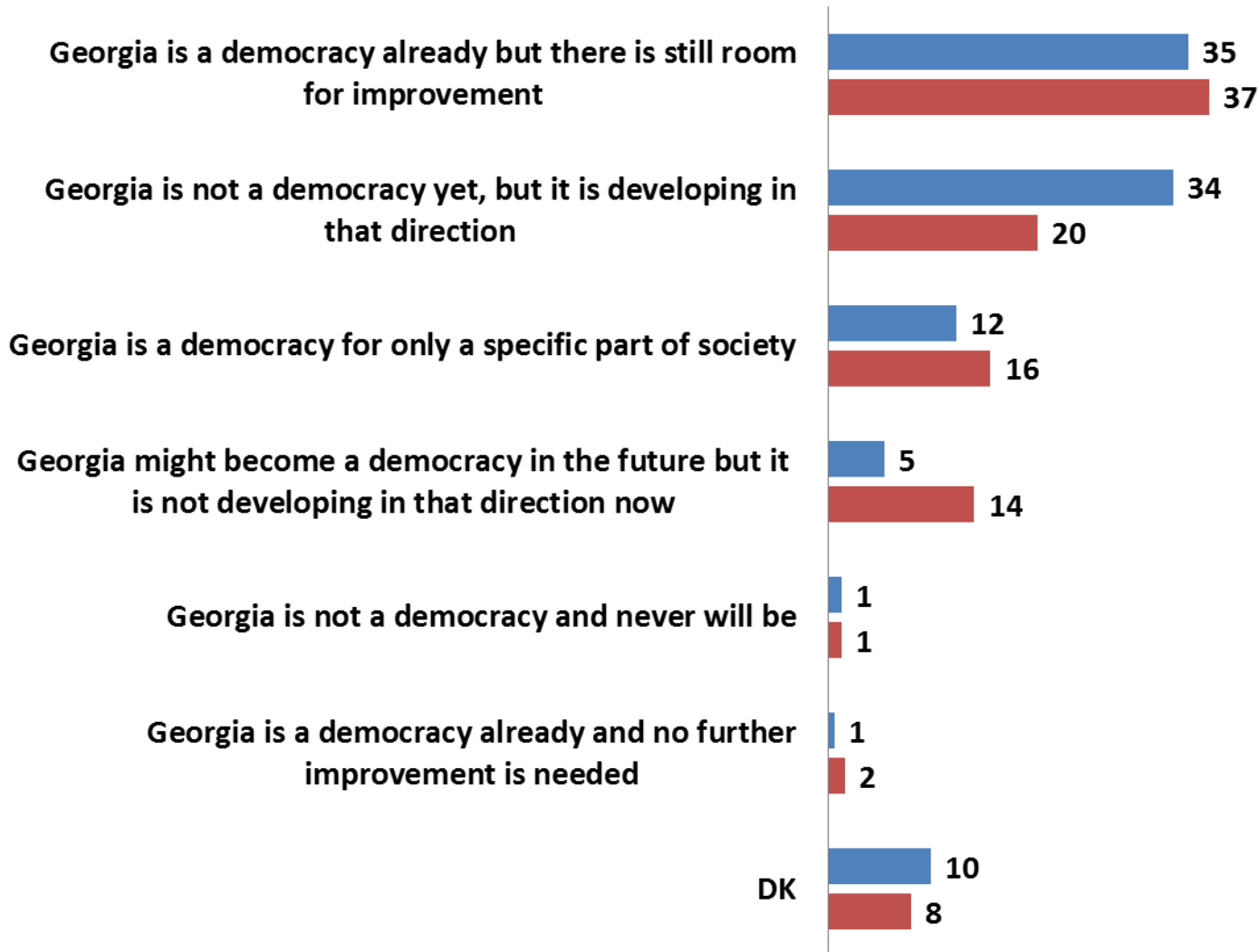
Is Georgia a democracy now? (q16)

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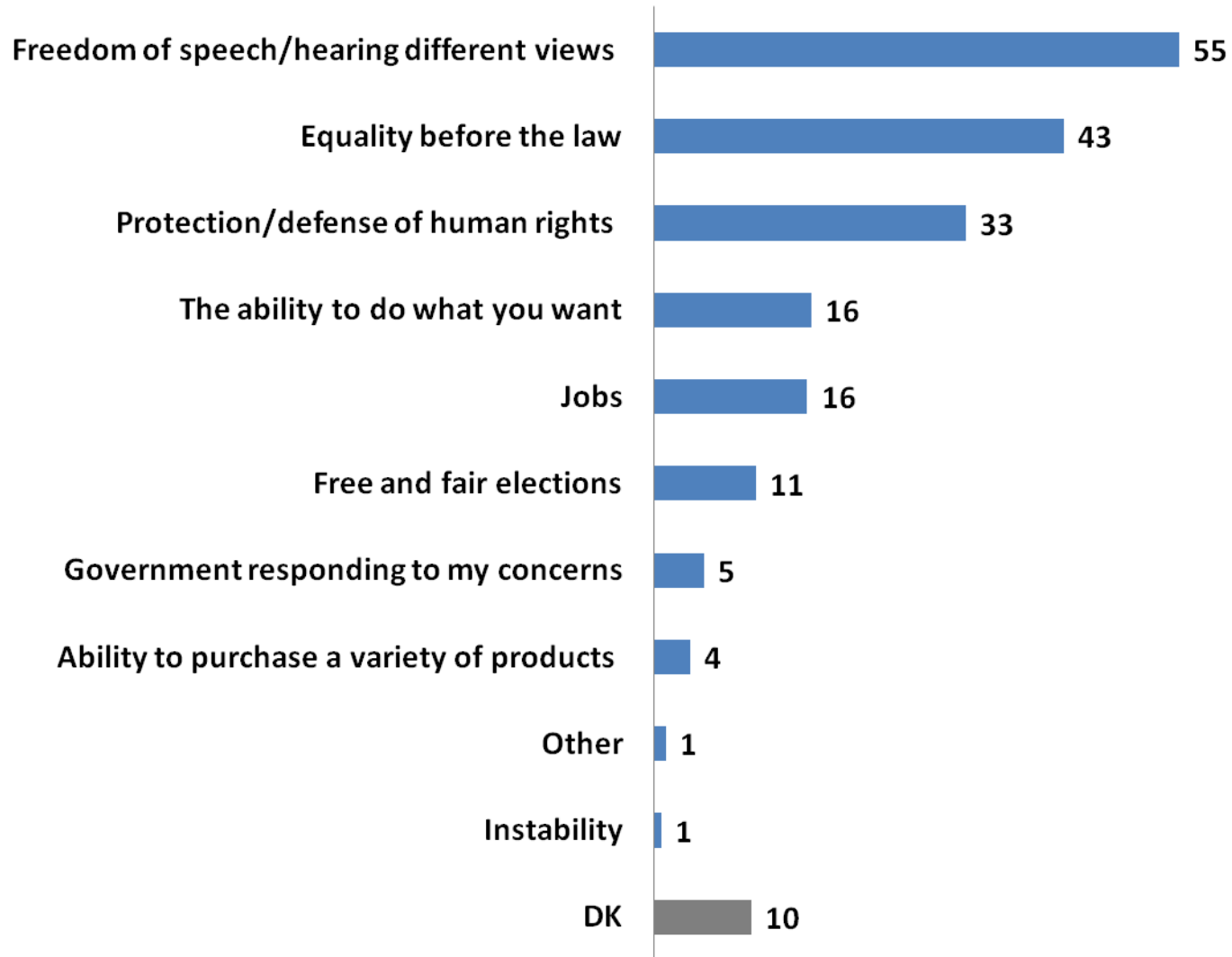


Which statement do you agree with the most? (q17)

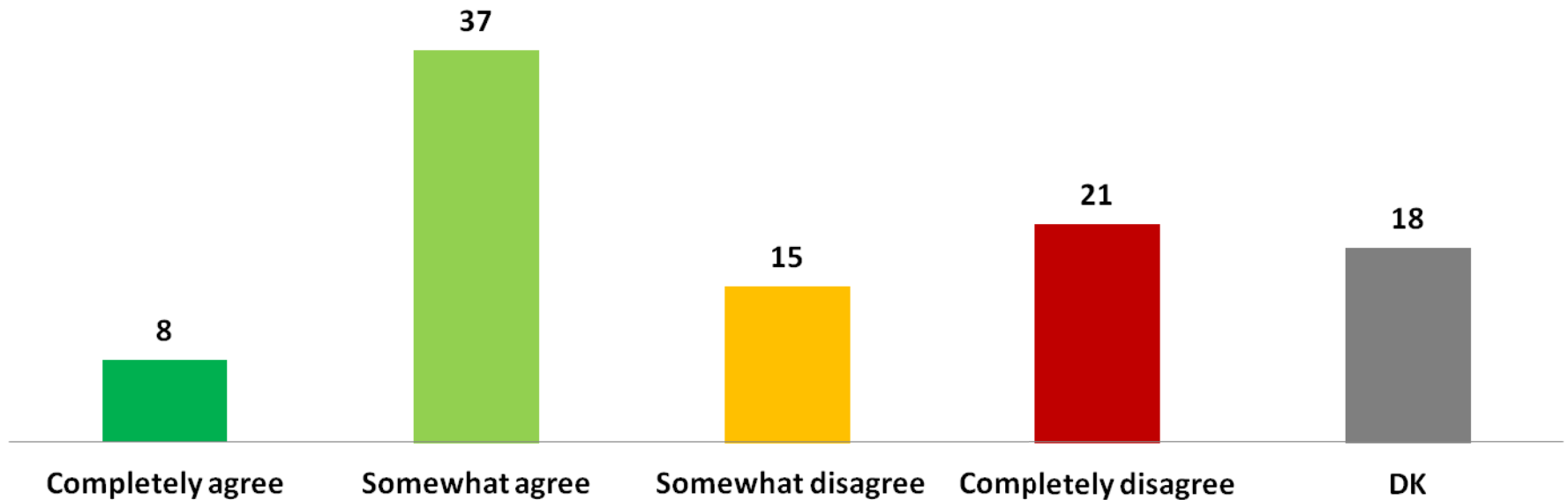
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What does democracy mean to you? (q15)



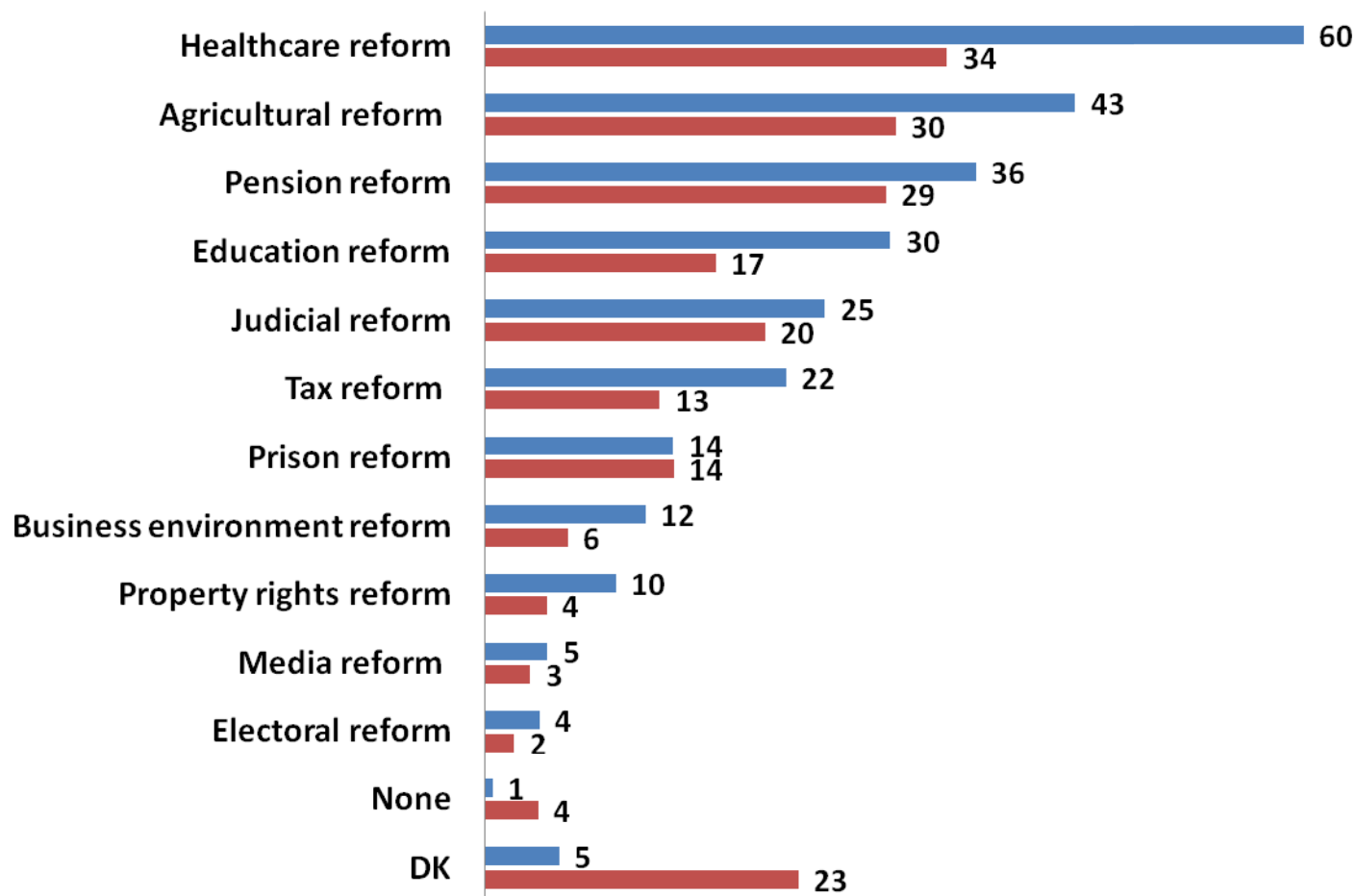
To what extent do you agree or disagree that your current local government is making the changes that matter to you? (q14)



Which three reforms do you think would be most important for Georgia/Which do you expect to see achieved in the next six months? (q7/q8)

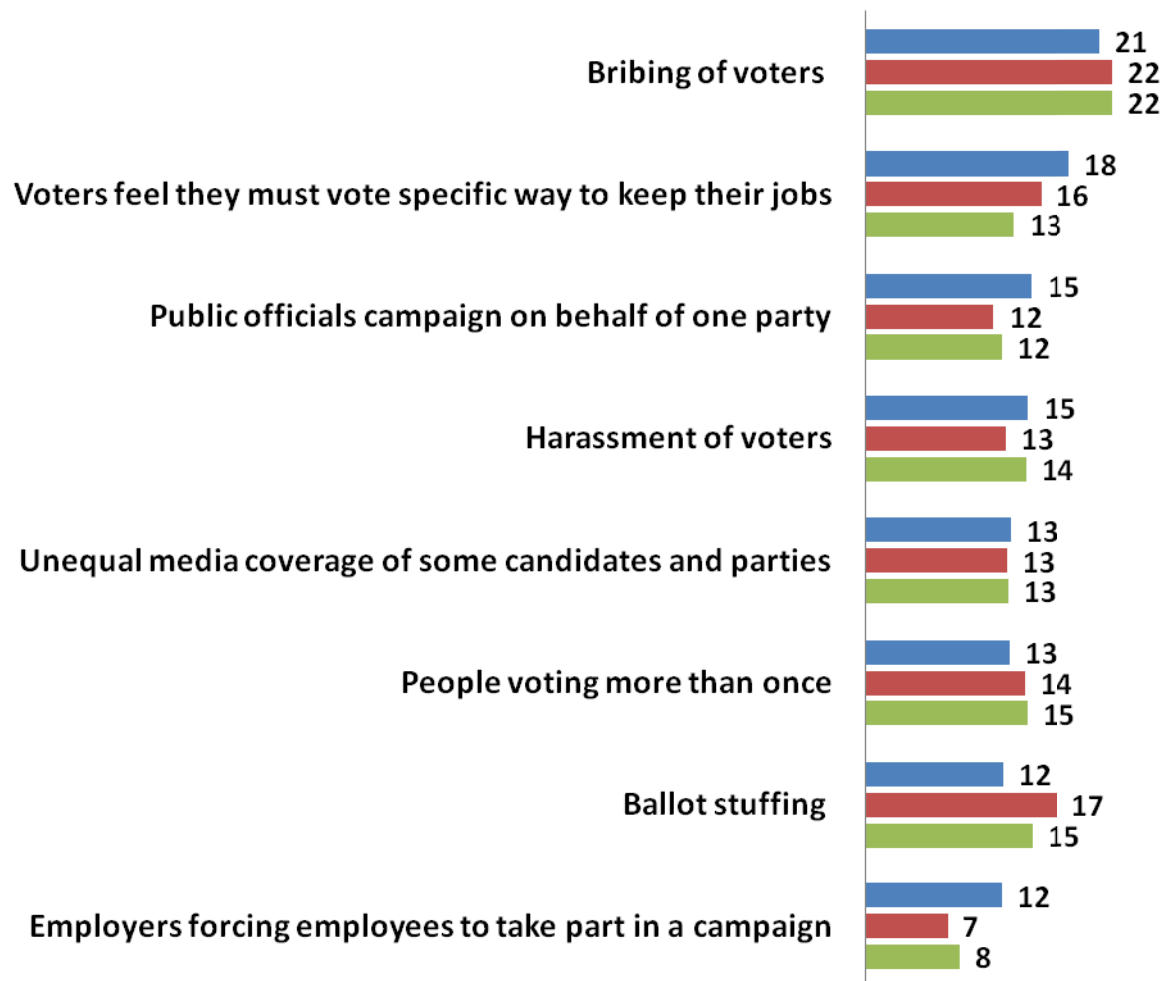
■ Would be most important for Georgia

■ Expect to see achieved in the next six months



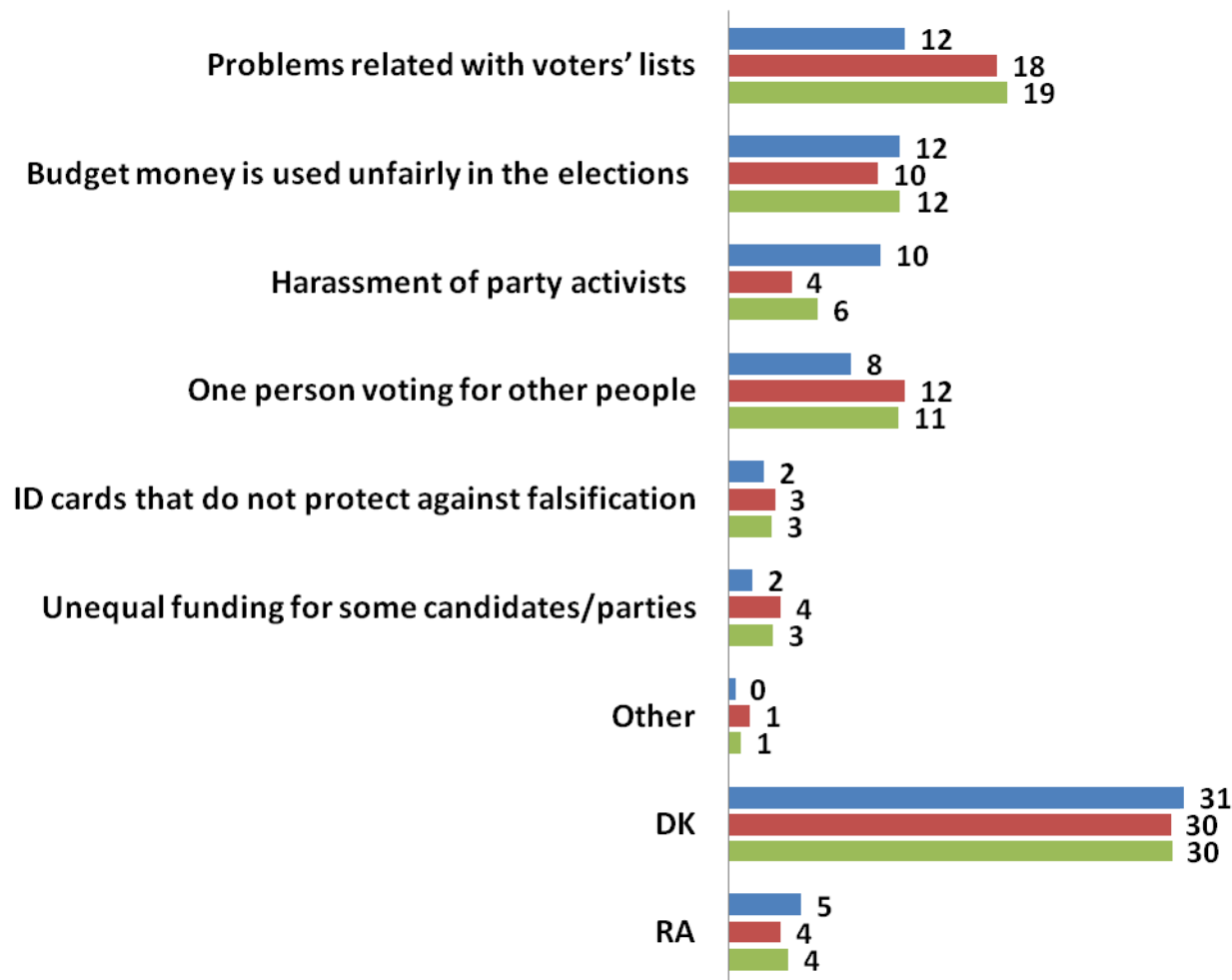
What are the three biggest barriers to free and fair elections in Georgia? (q35) Part 1

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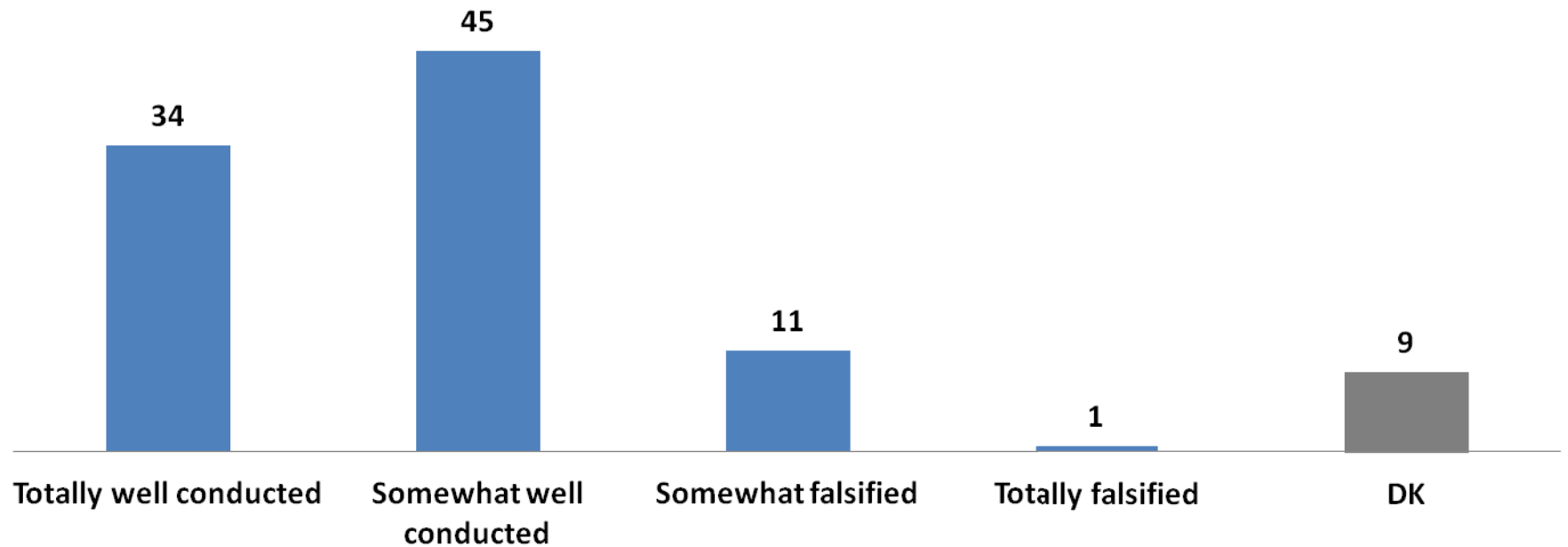
What are the three biggest barriers to free and fair elections in Georgia? (q35) Part 2

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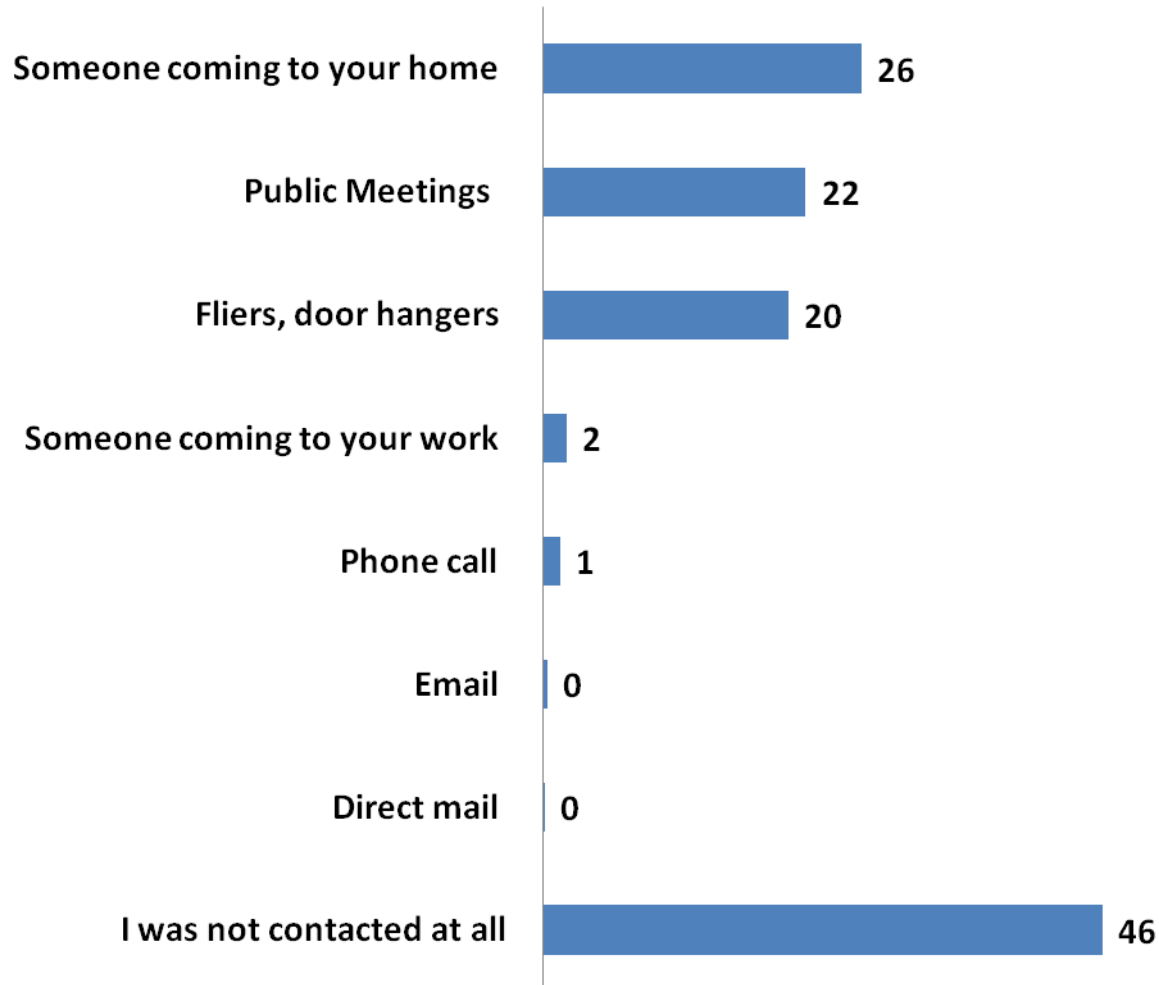


Parliamentary Elections

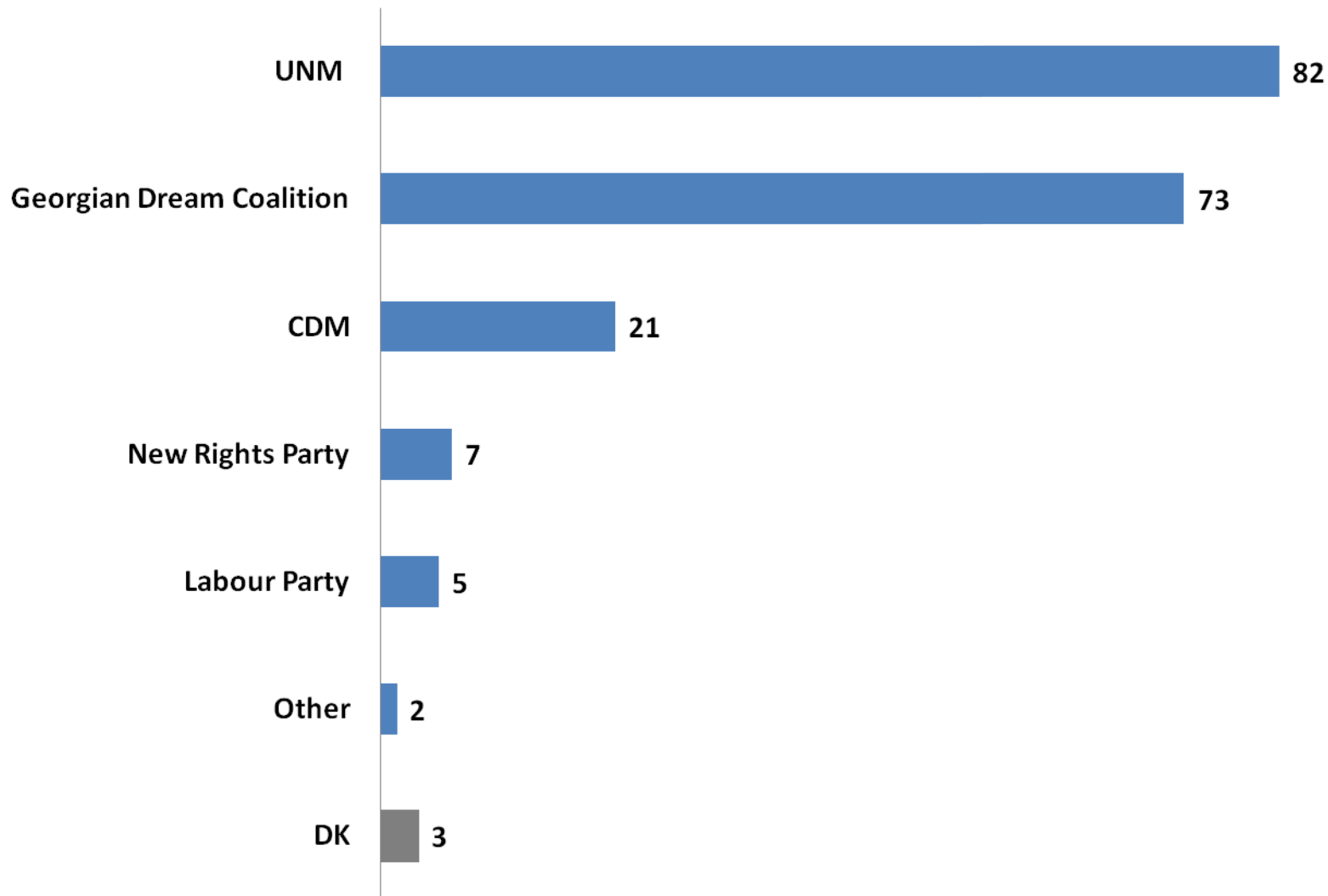
How do you think the October 1 parliamentary elections were conducted? (q34)



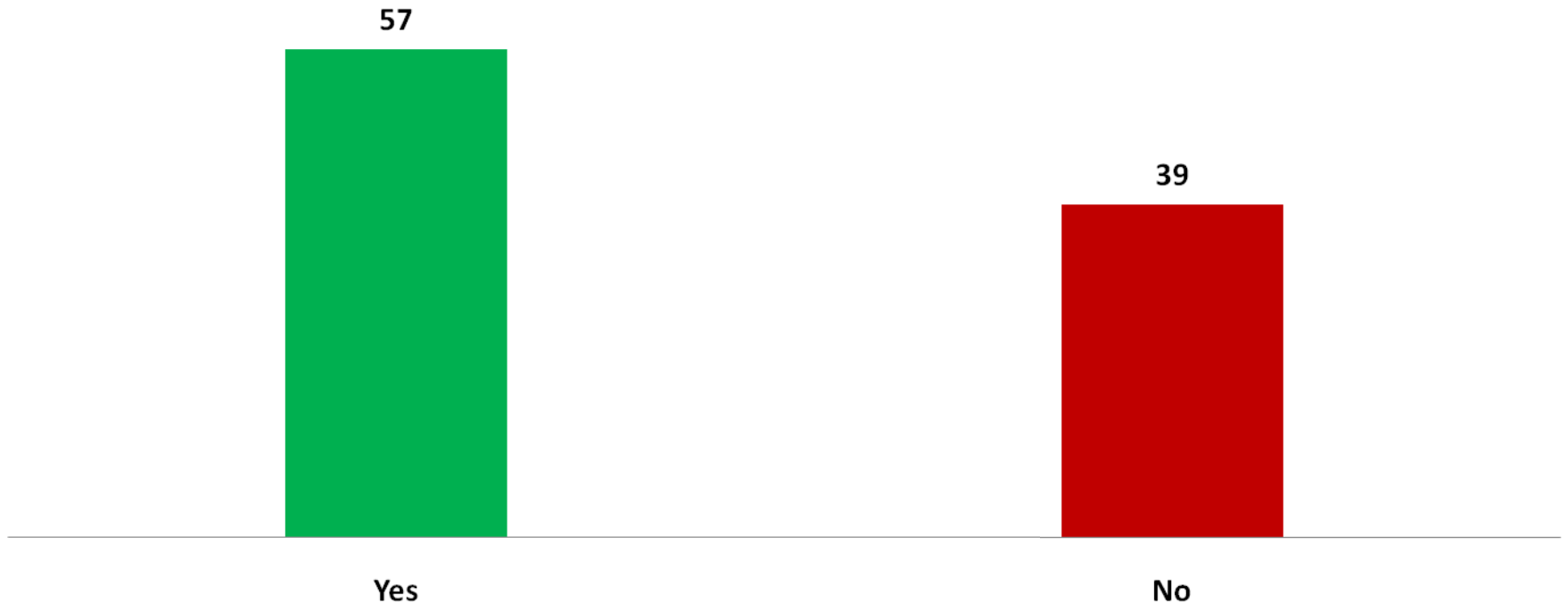
**Were you contacted in any of the following ways
by representatives of candidates before the parliamentary
elections? (q18)**



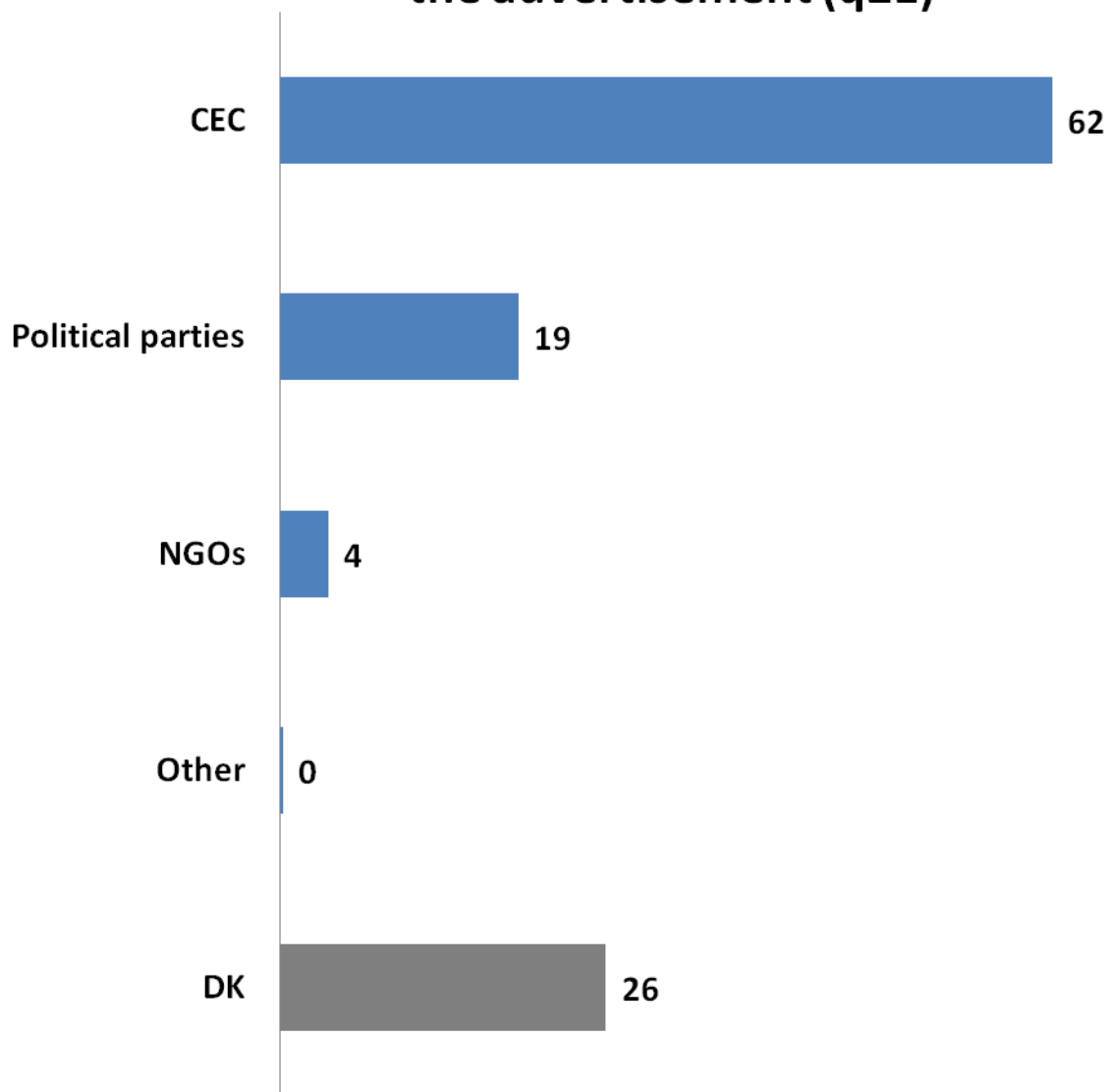
**On behalf of which party/candidate was this contact made? - of
the 50% who were contacted (q19)**



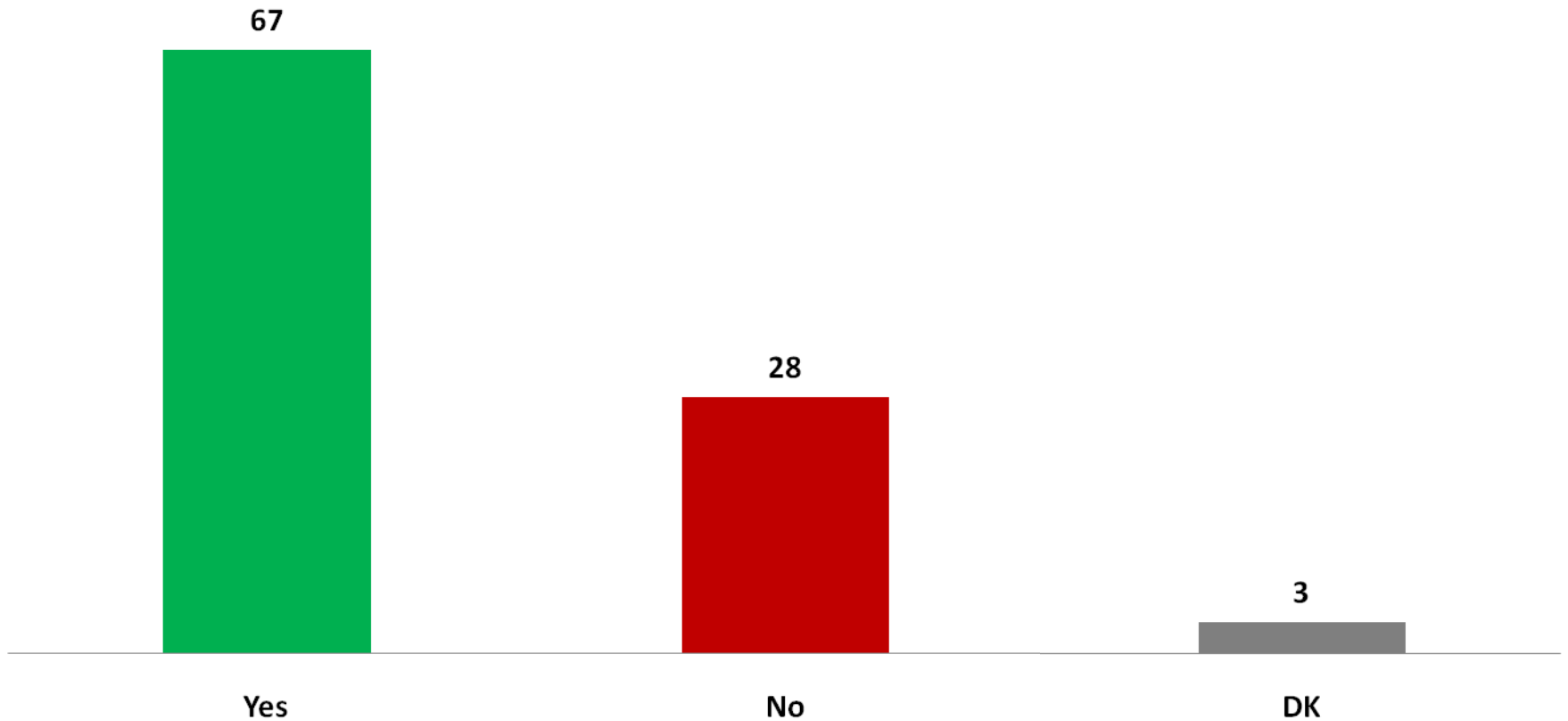
Did you see any advertisements in mass media to help you understand the voting process? (q20)



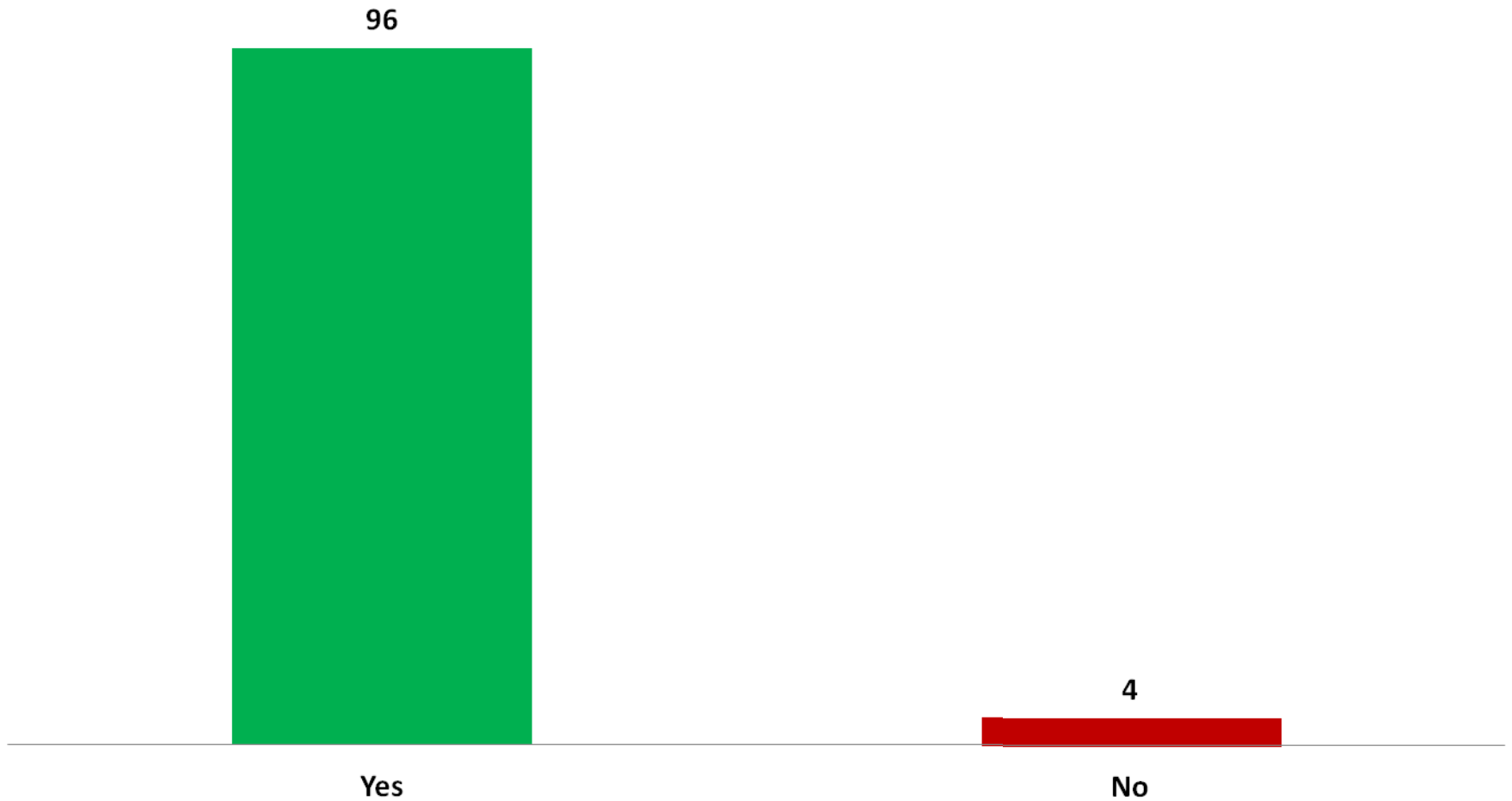
Who did the advertisement come from? - of the 57% who saw the advertisement (q21)



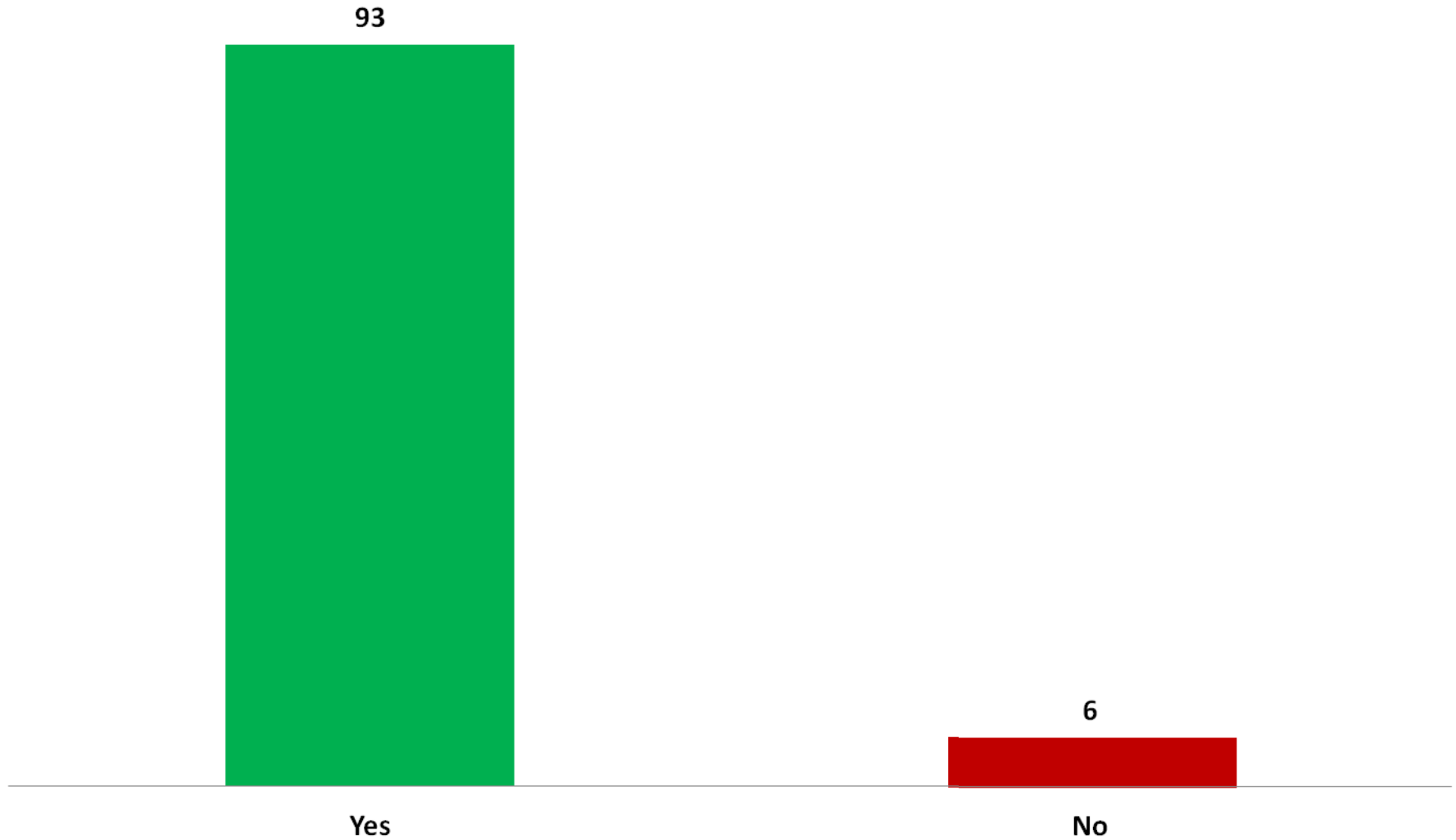
Did it help you understand the voting process?- of the 57% who saw the advertisement (q22)



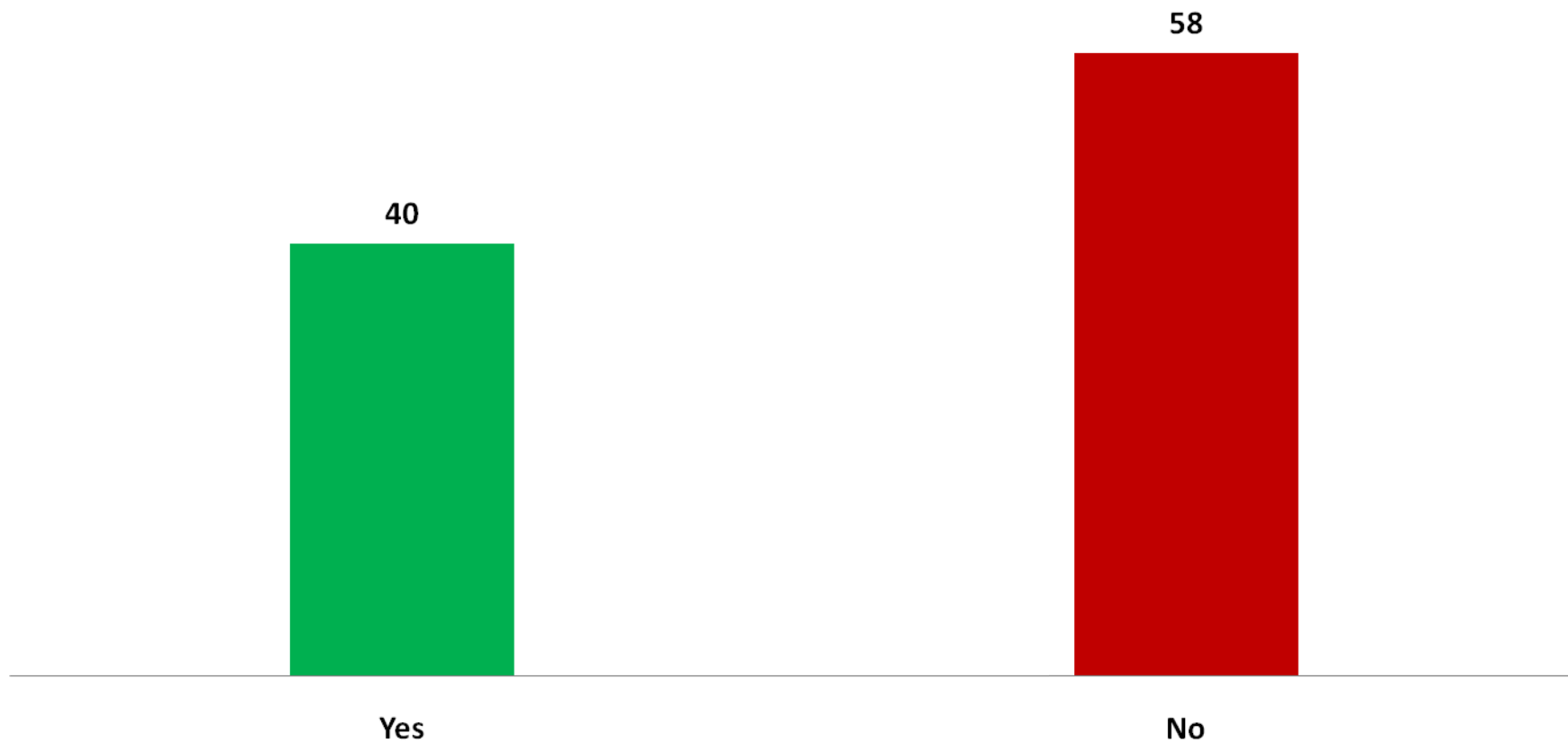
Did you have enough information about where to vote? (q23)



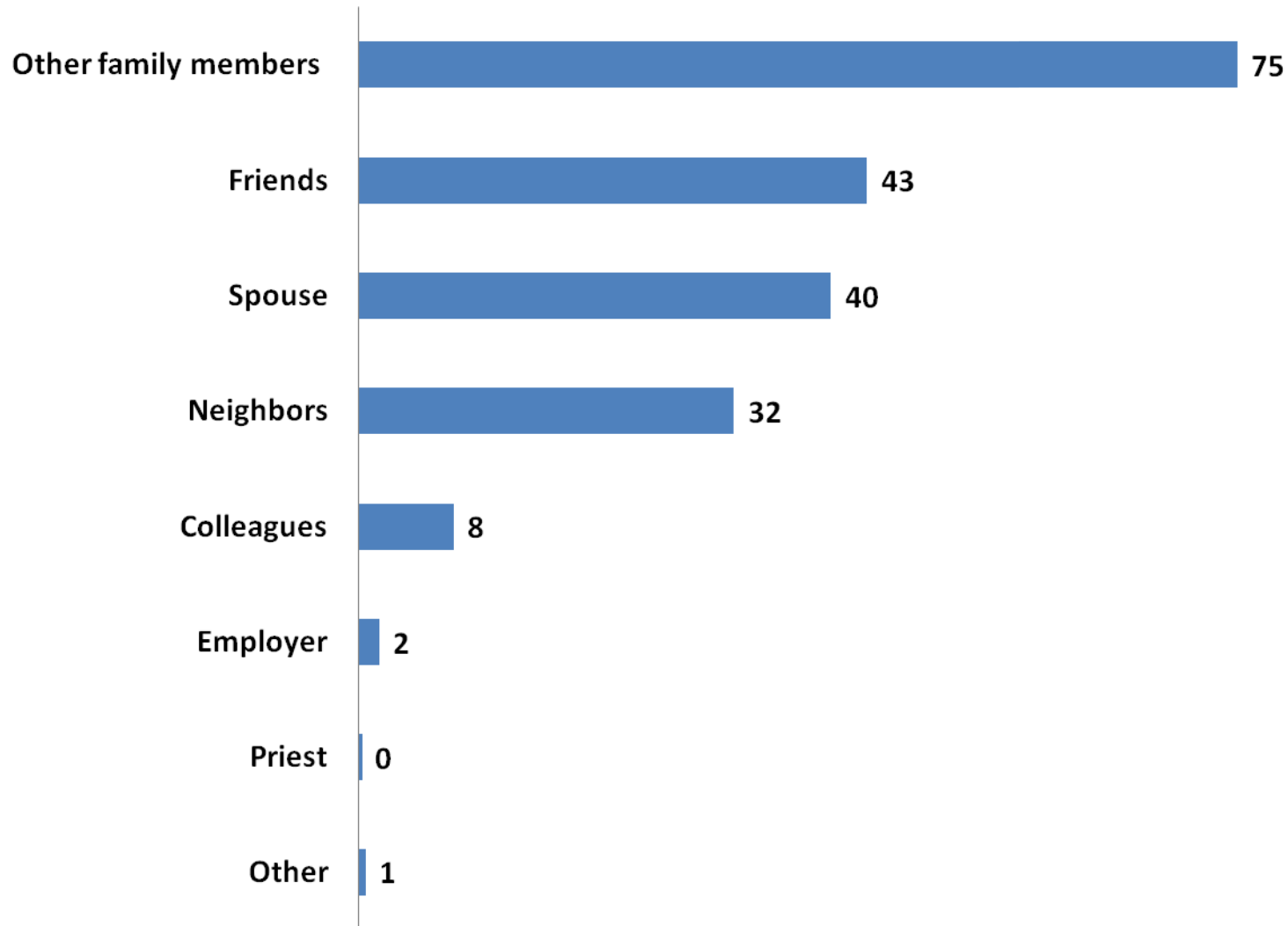
**Did you have enough information about voting procedures to
vote without difficulty? (q24)**



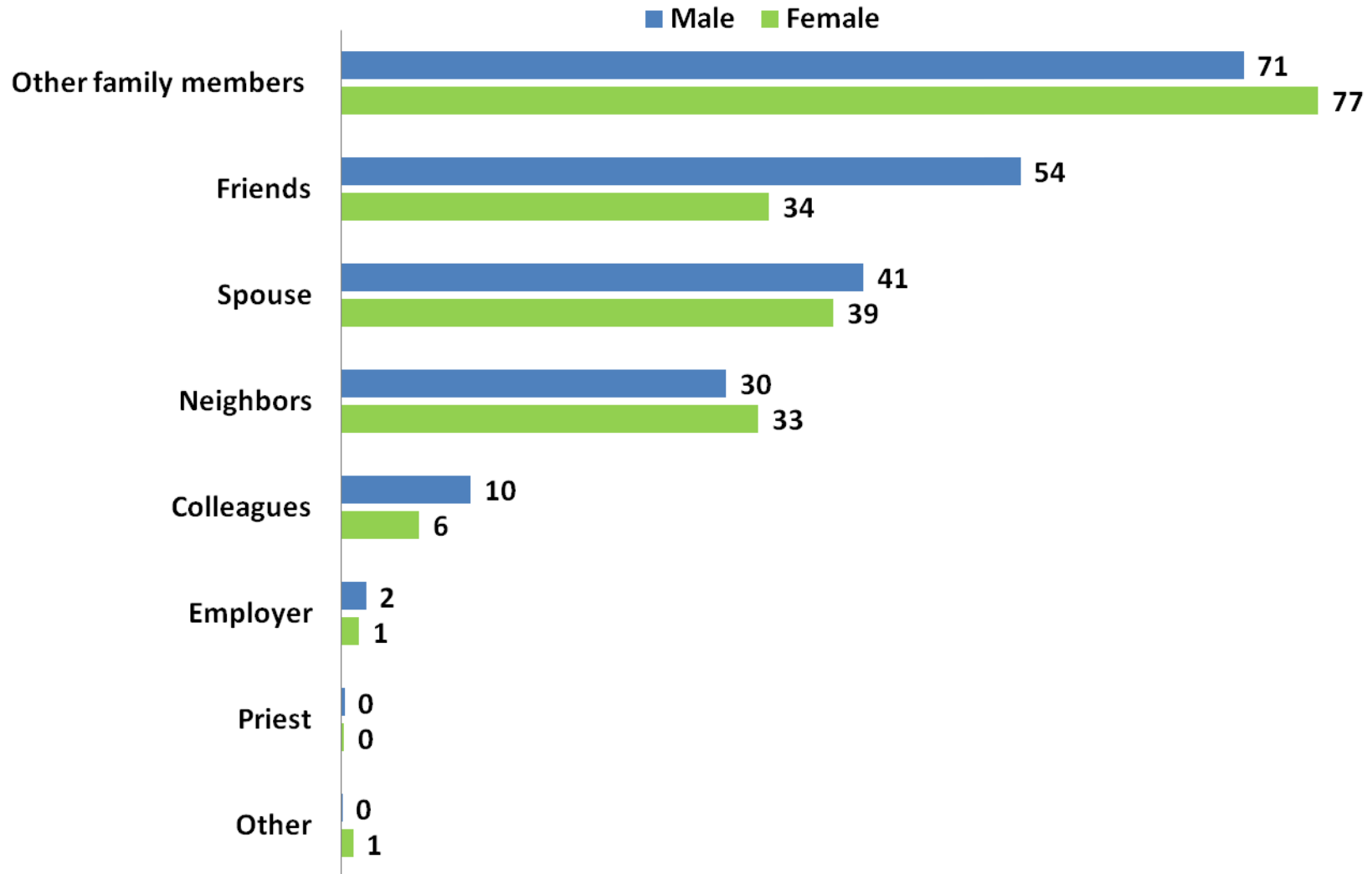
Did you discuss your vote with others prior to Election Day?
(q32)



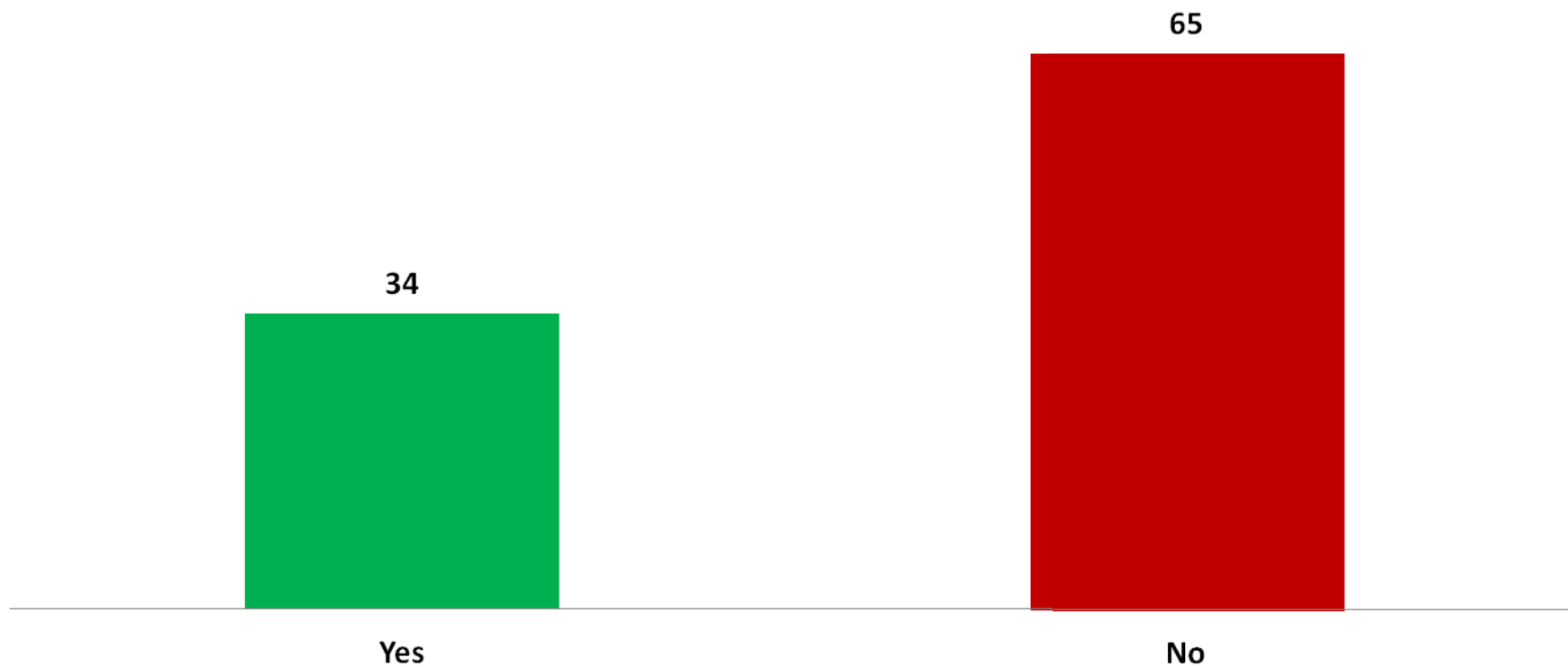
With whom did you discuss your vote? - of the 40% who discussed (q33)



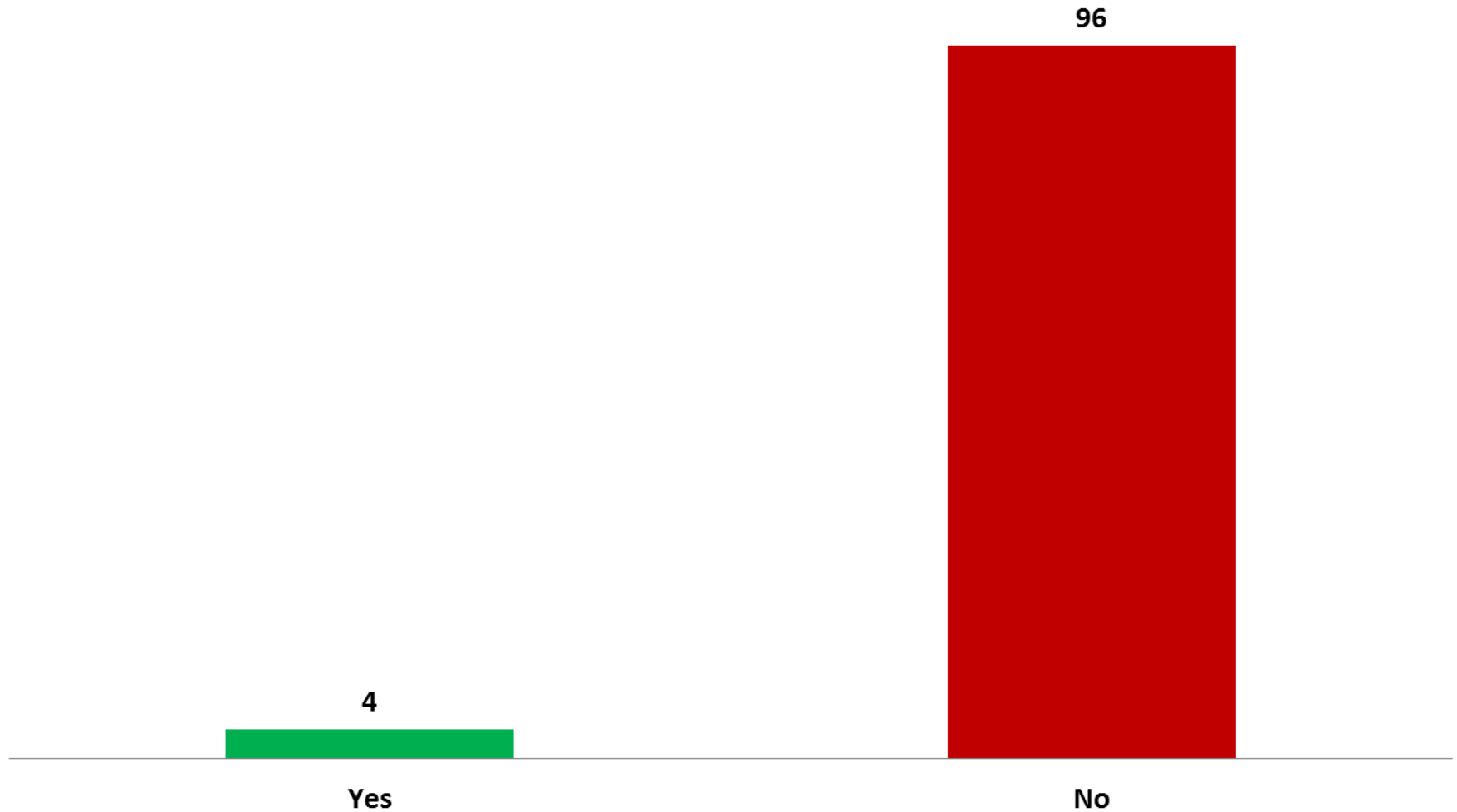
With whom did you discuss your vote?- of the 40% who discussed (q33 X Gender)



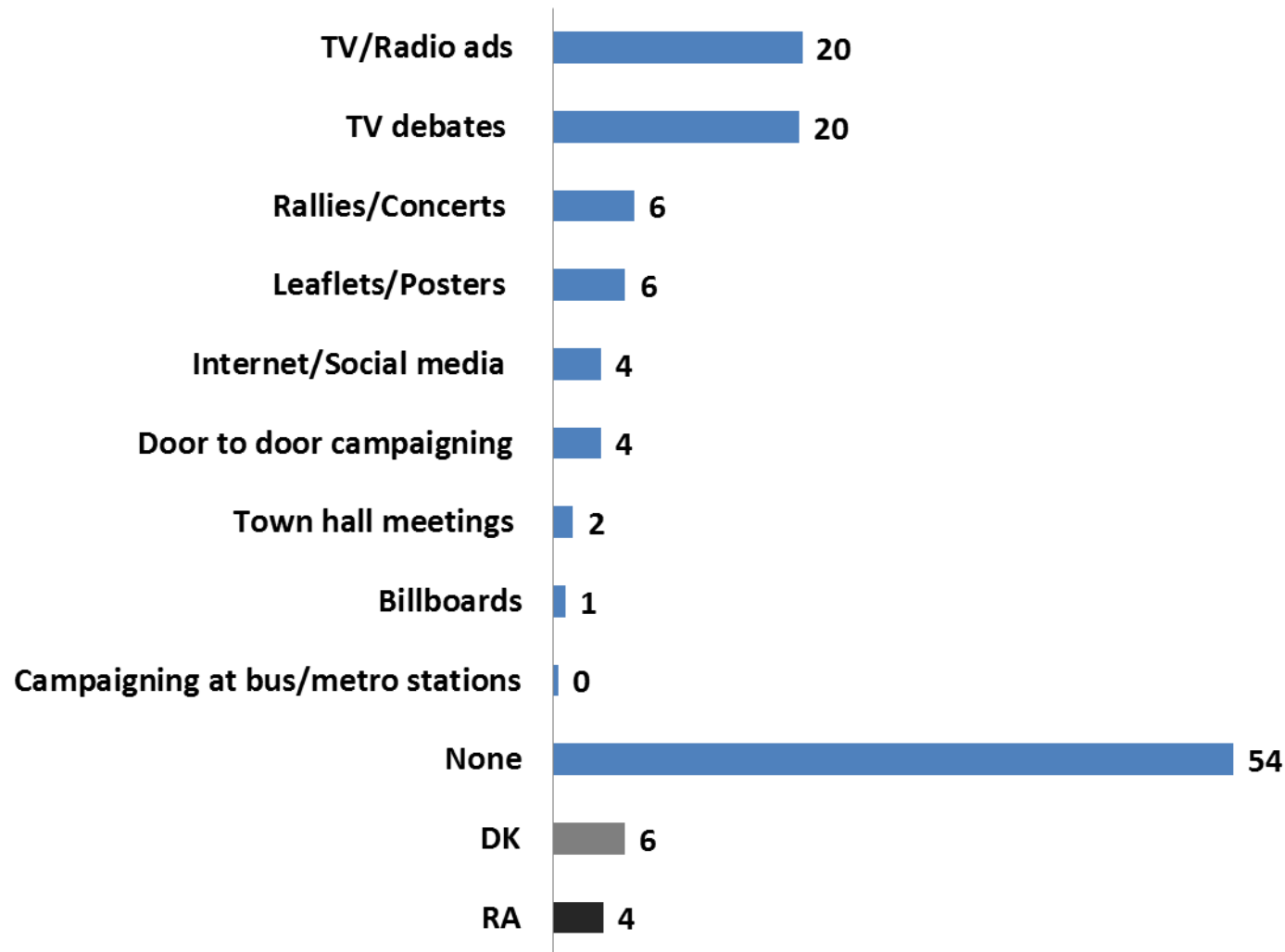
**Did you check yourself in the voters' list prior to election day?
(q25)**



Did you encounter any problems with the voters' list during the Election Day? (q31)

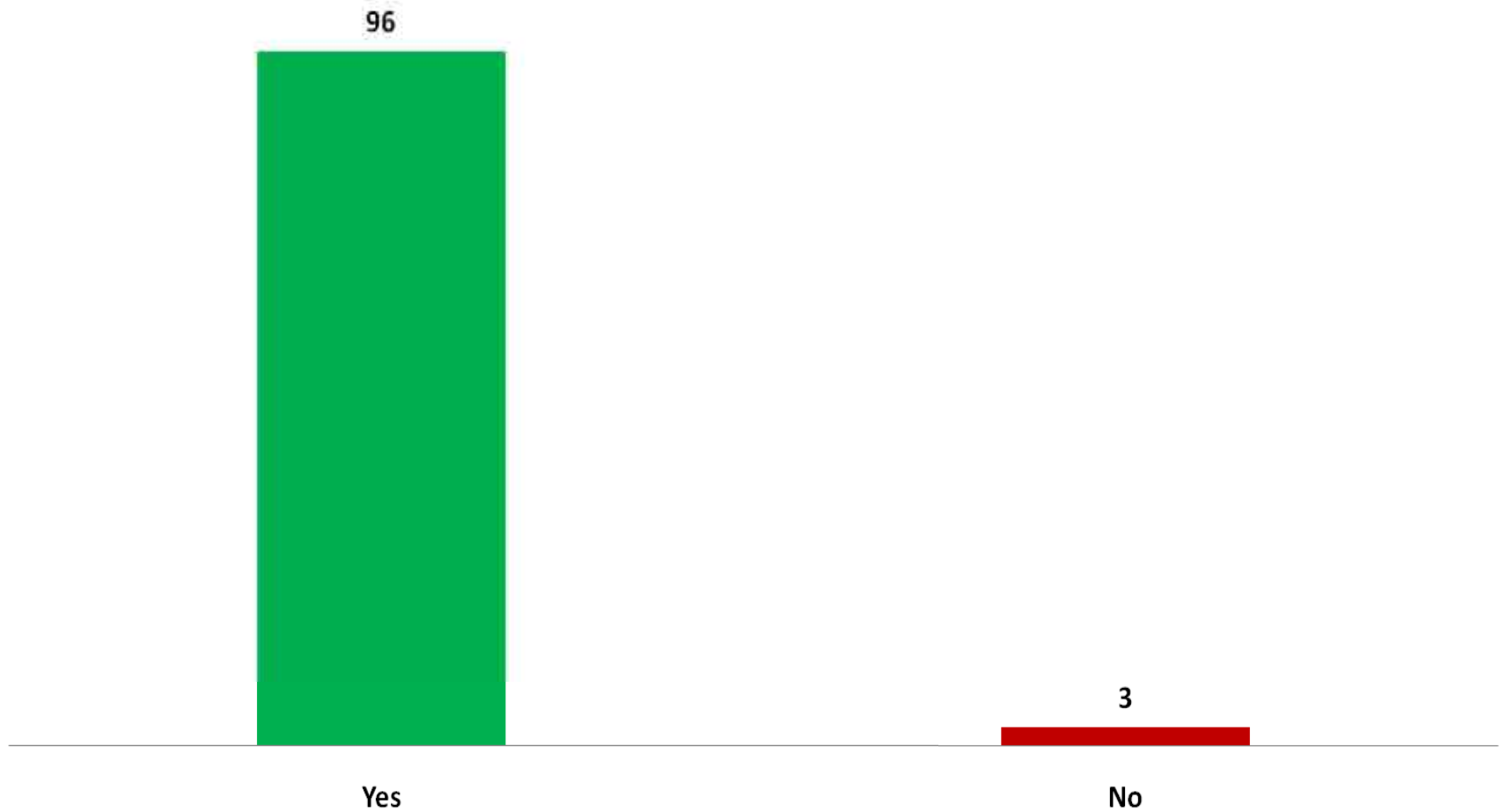


Which campaign activities were most helpful to you when making your decision on who to vote for? (q29)

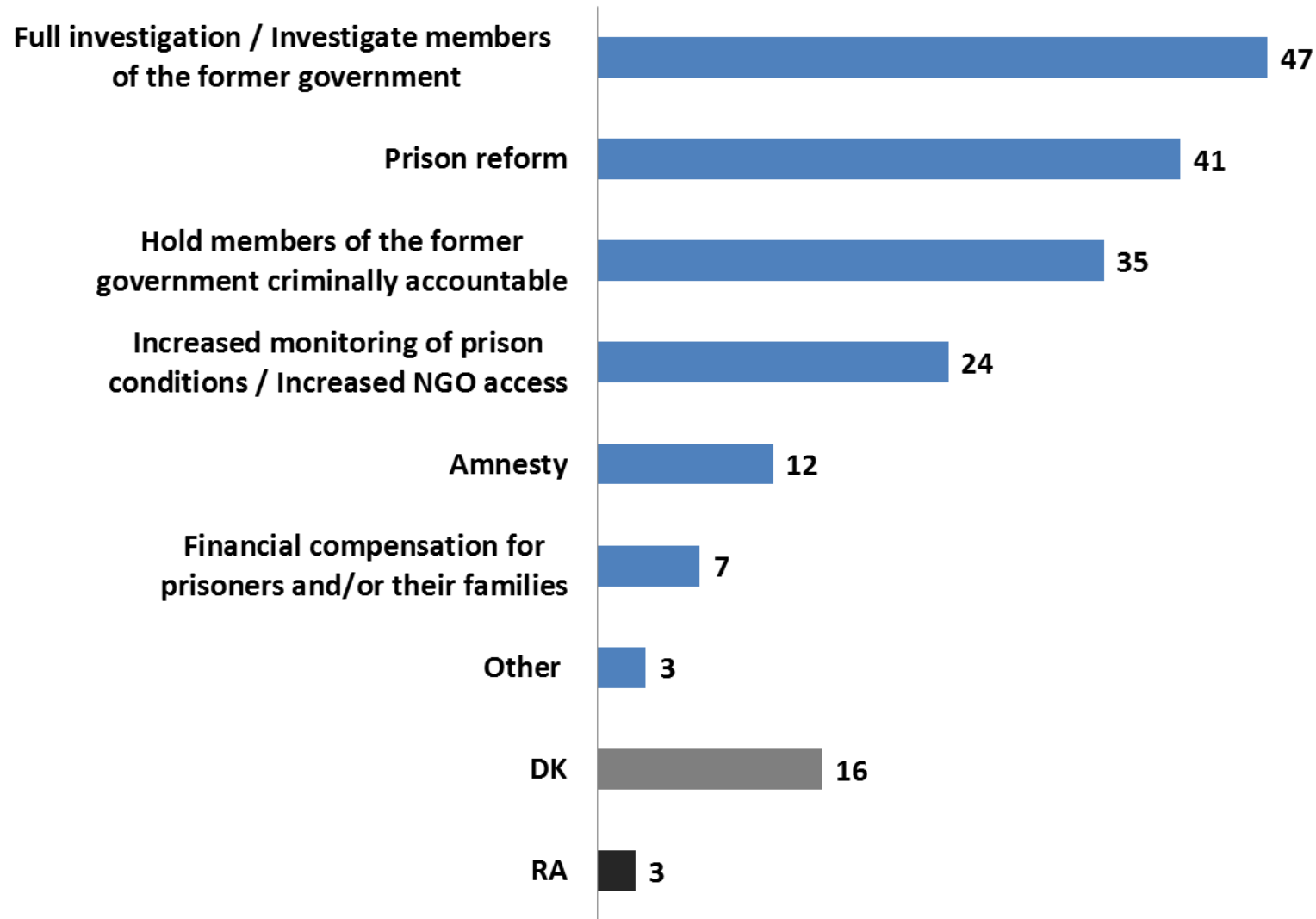


Current Events

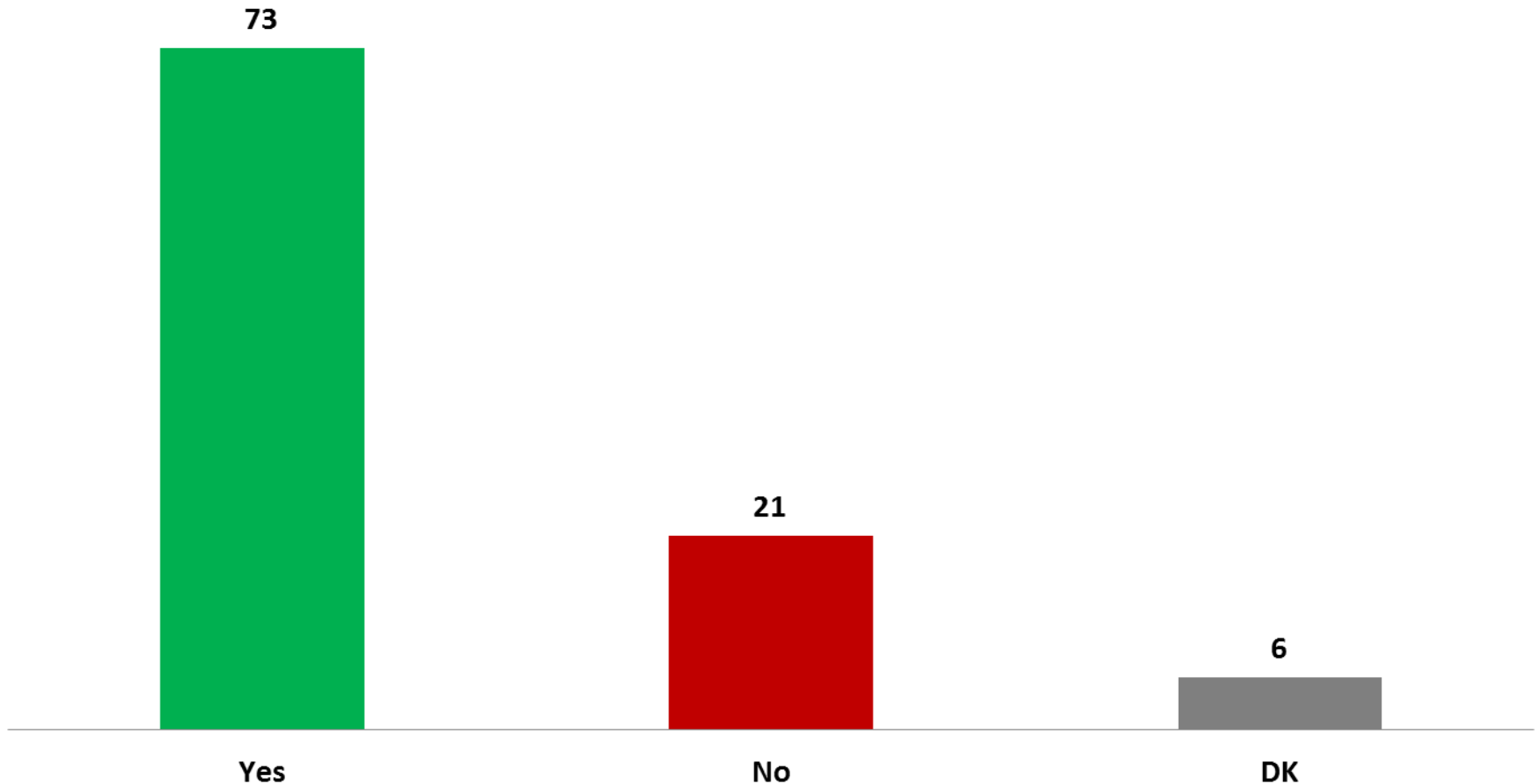
Are you aware of the televised video tapes depicting rape and torture of prisoners? (q61)



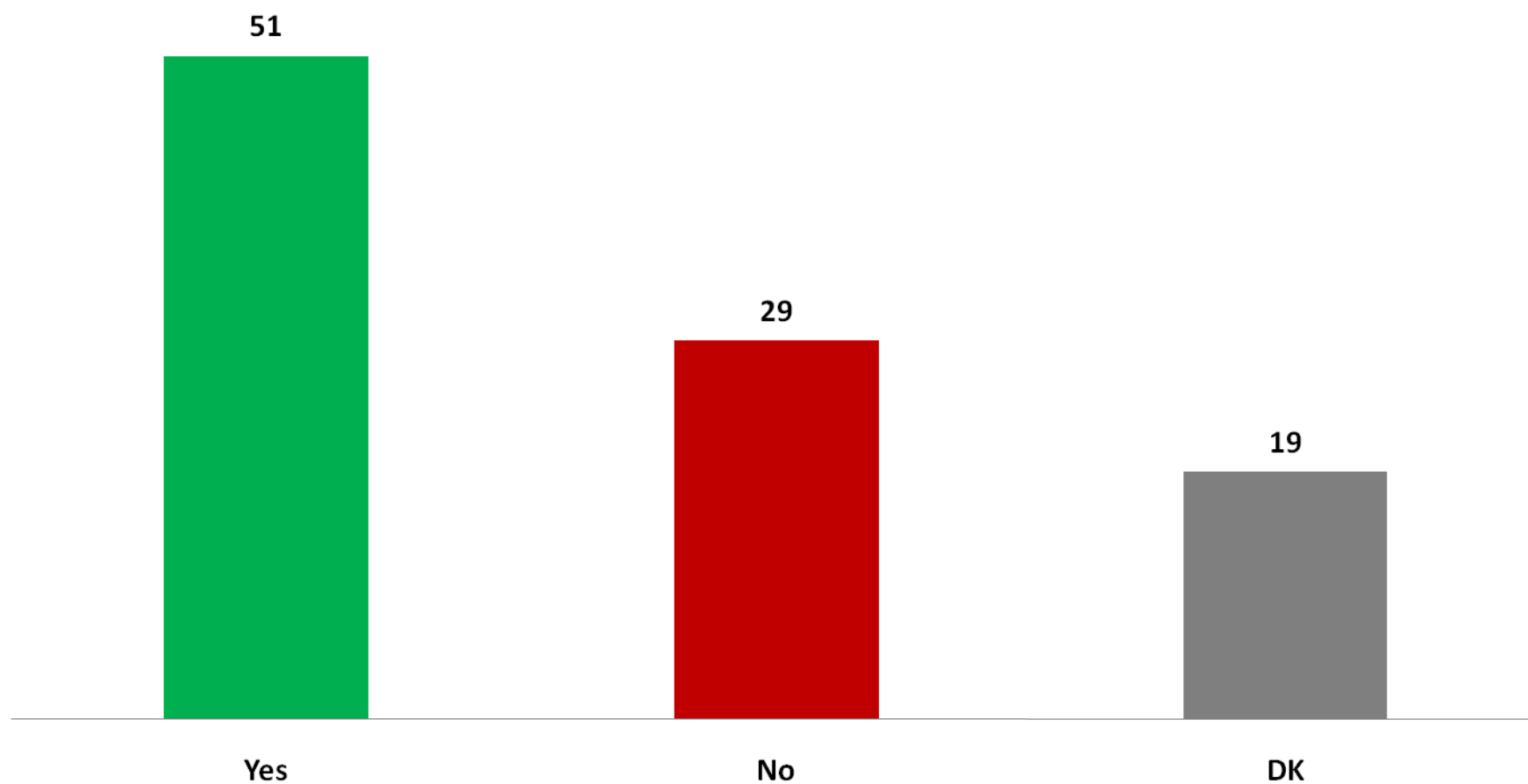
What actions should the newly established government take following the prison scandal? Correspond (q62)



There has been an incident in Nigvziani village in Guria where Georgian Muslims are being prevented from holding religious services in a privately owned building. Are you aware? (q48)

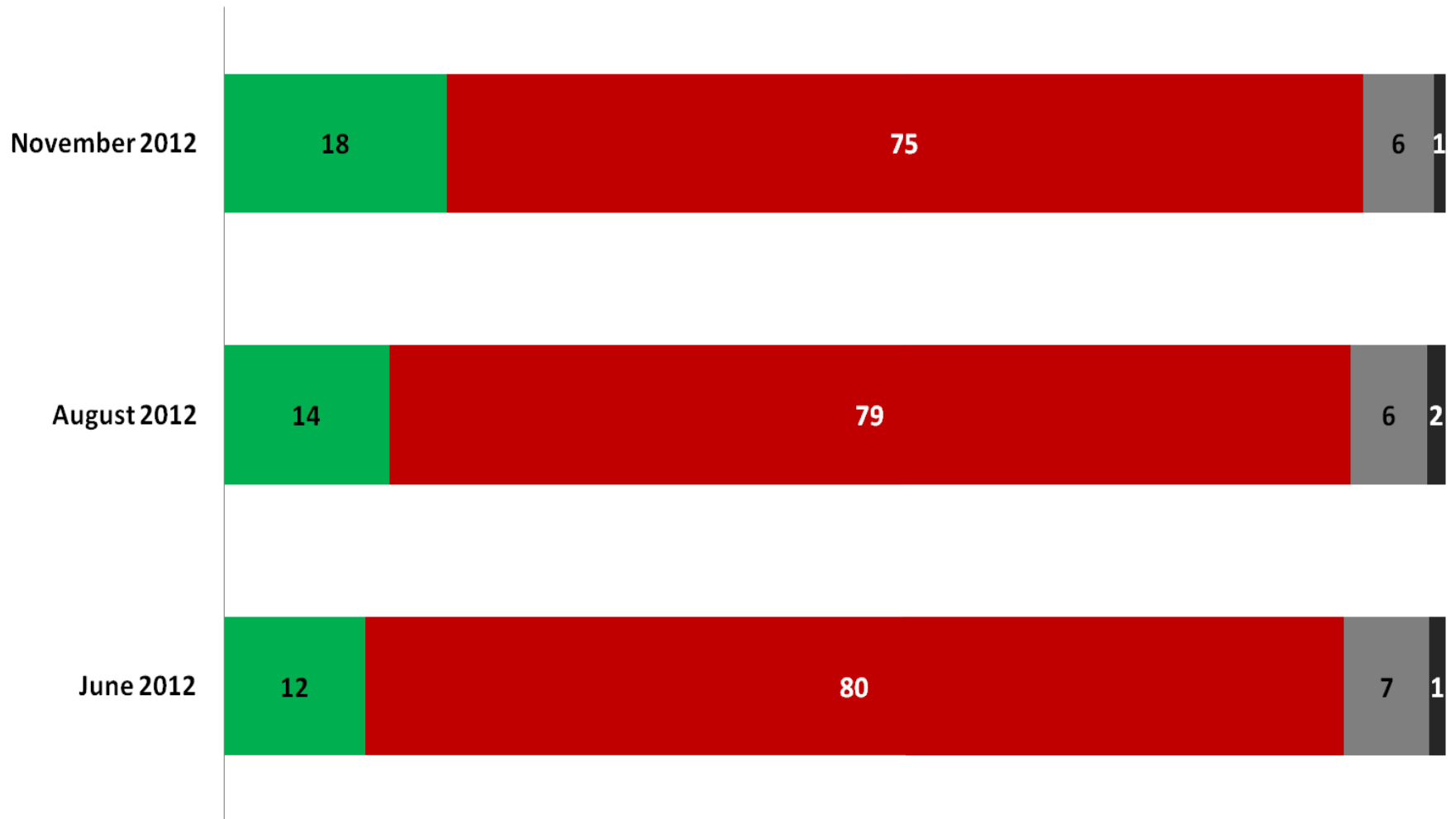


Should they be allowed to hold their services in a privately owned building? (q49)



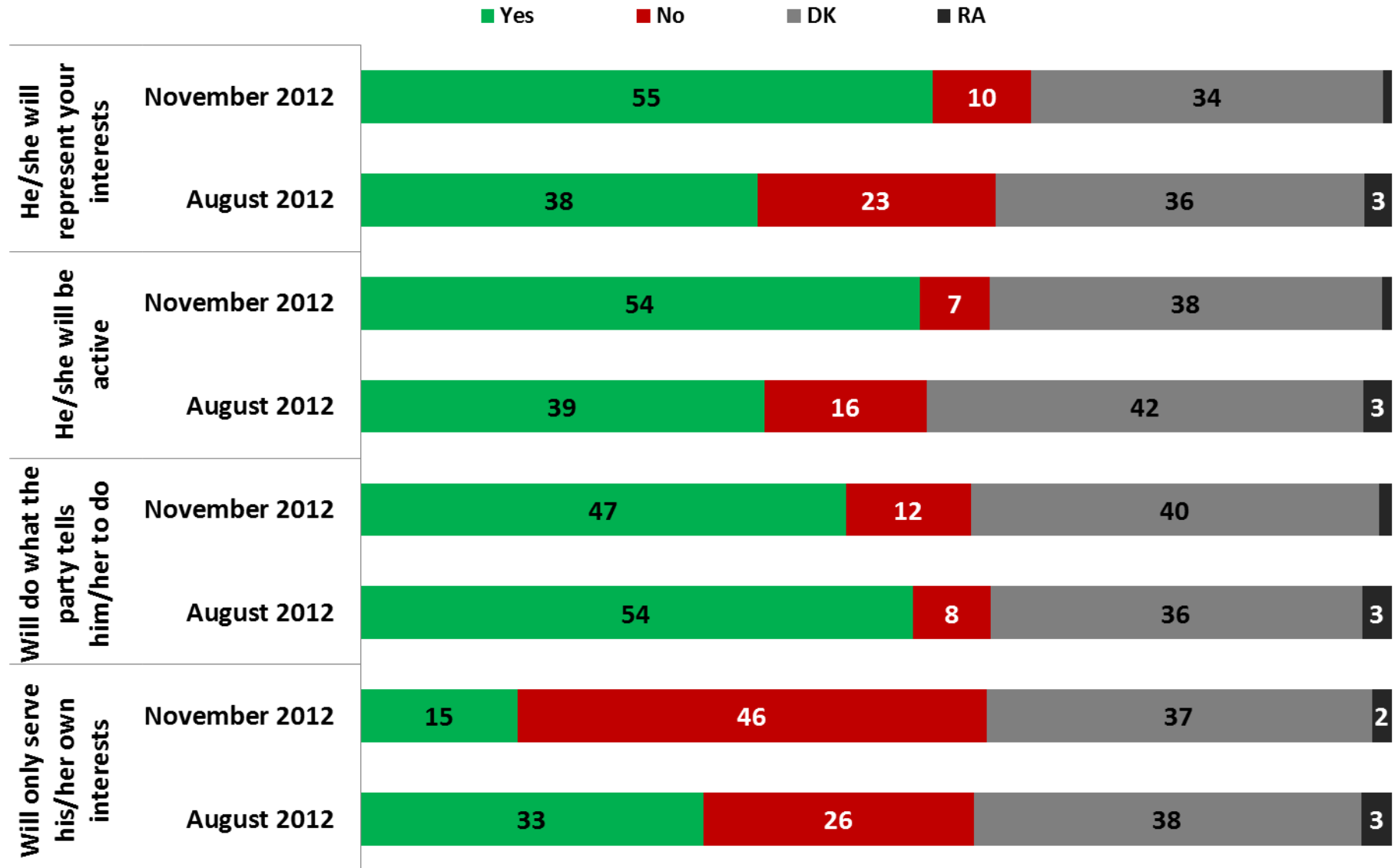
Do you personally know someone who you believe was fired from a state/public job because of their political beliefs? (q56)

Yes No DK RA

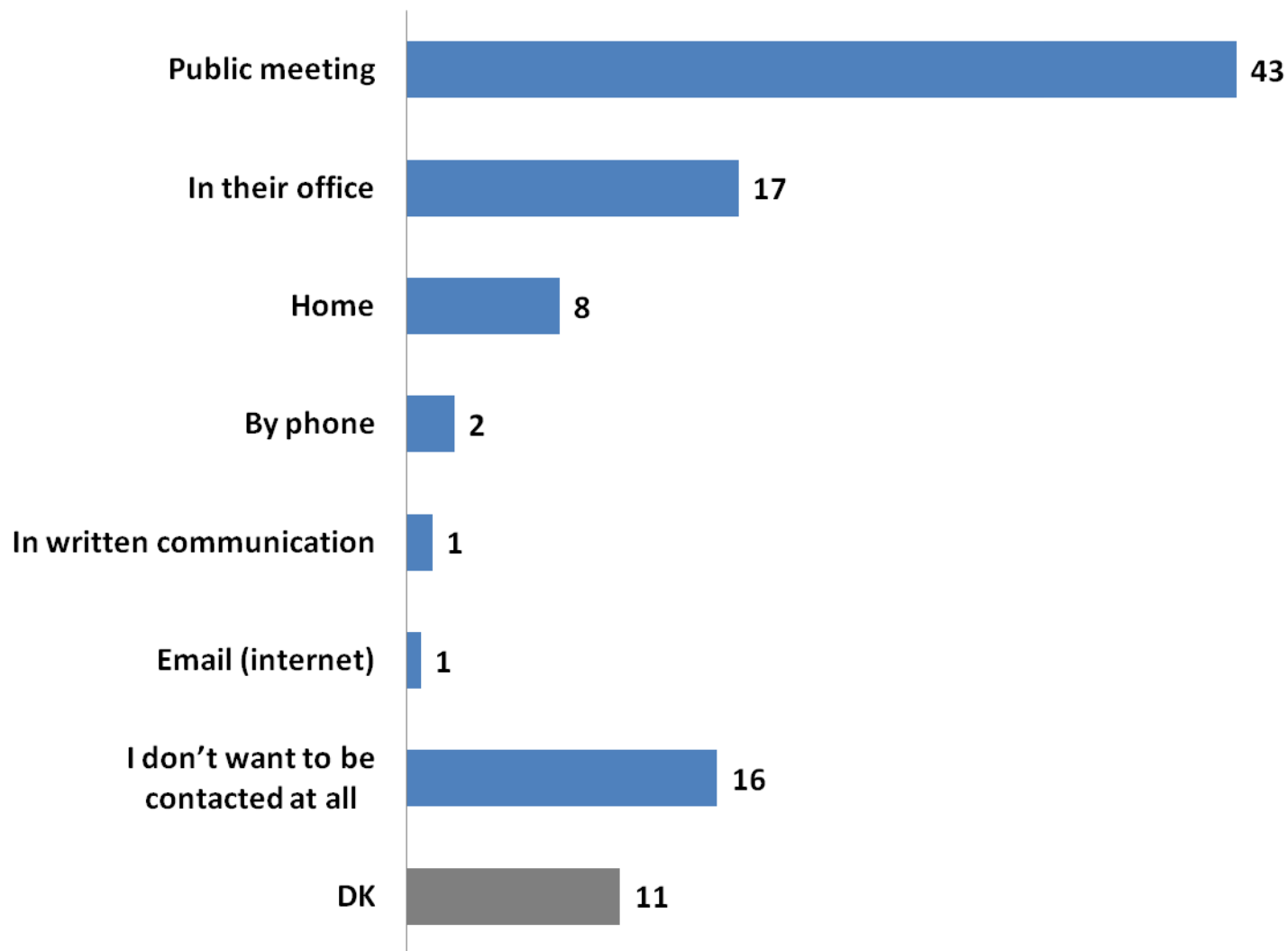


Parliament and Women's Participation

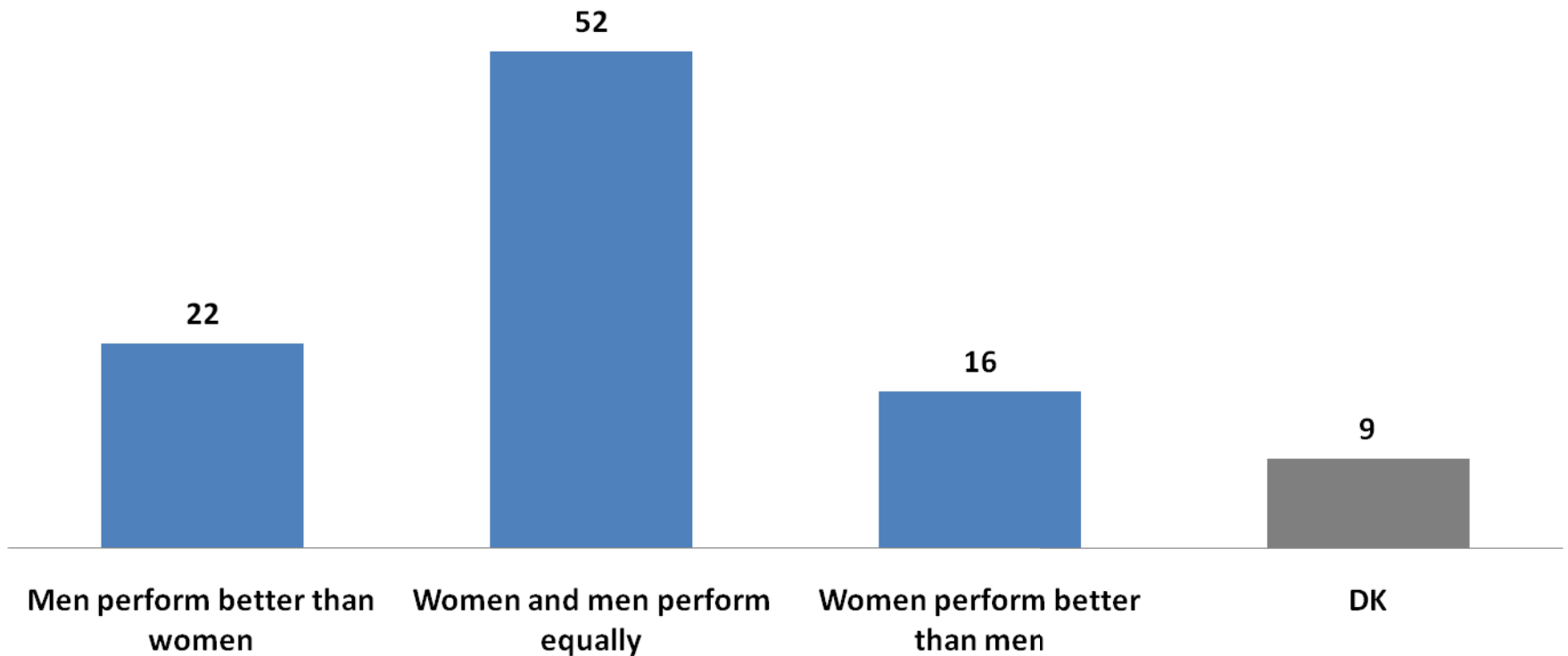
What do you expect from your majoritarian MP? (q39)



If your elected representative were to contact you, what would be the best format? (q41)

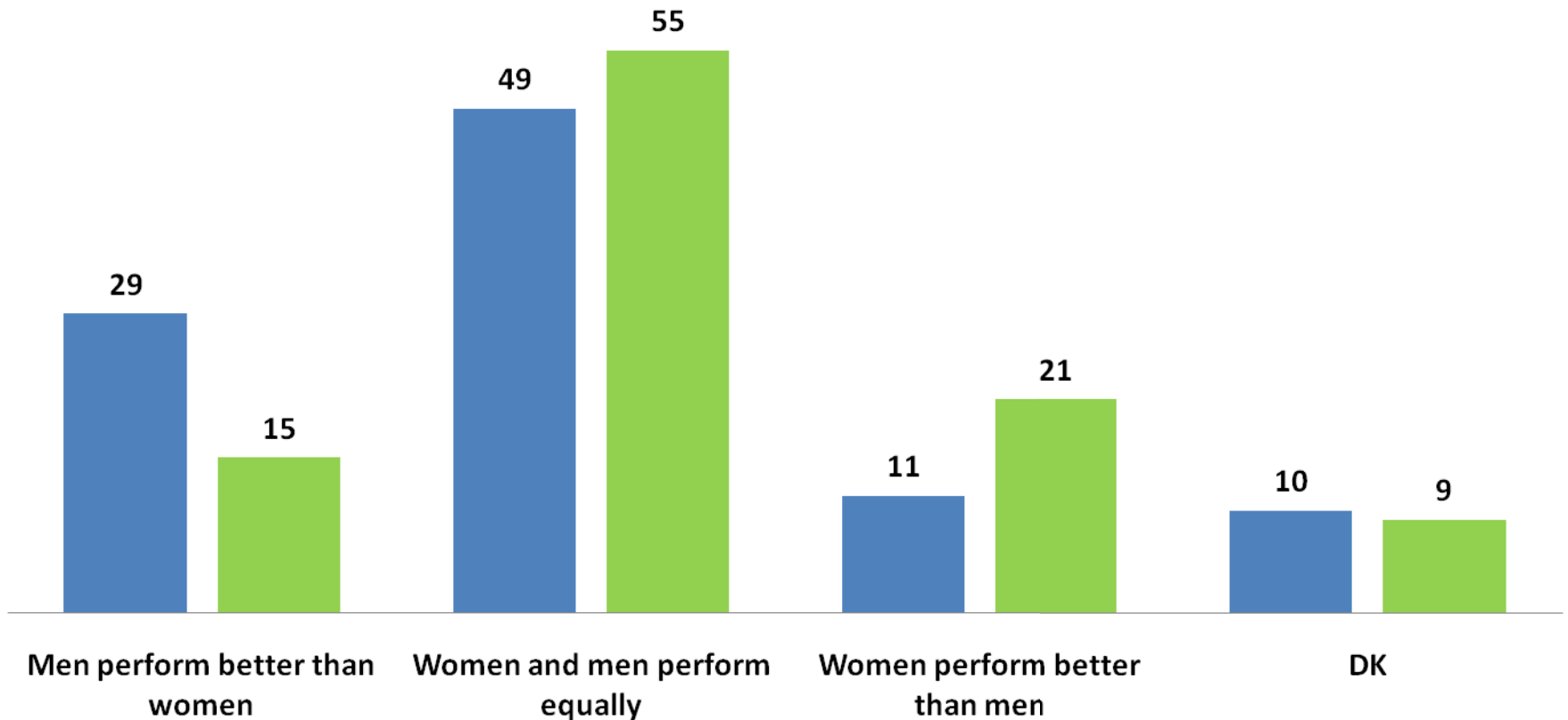


Generally, comparing the performance of men and women in elected office, what do you think? (q42)

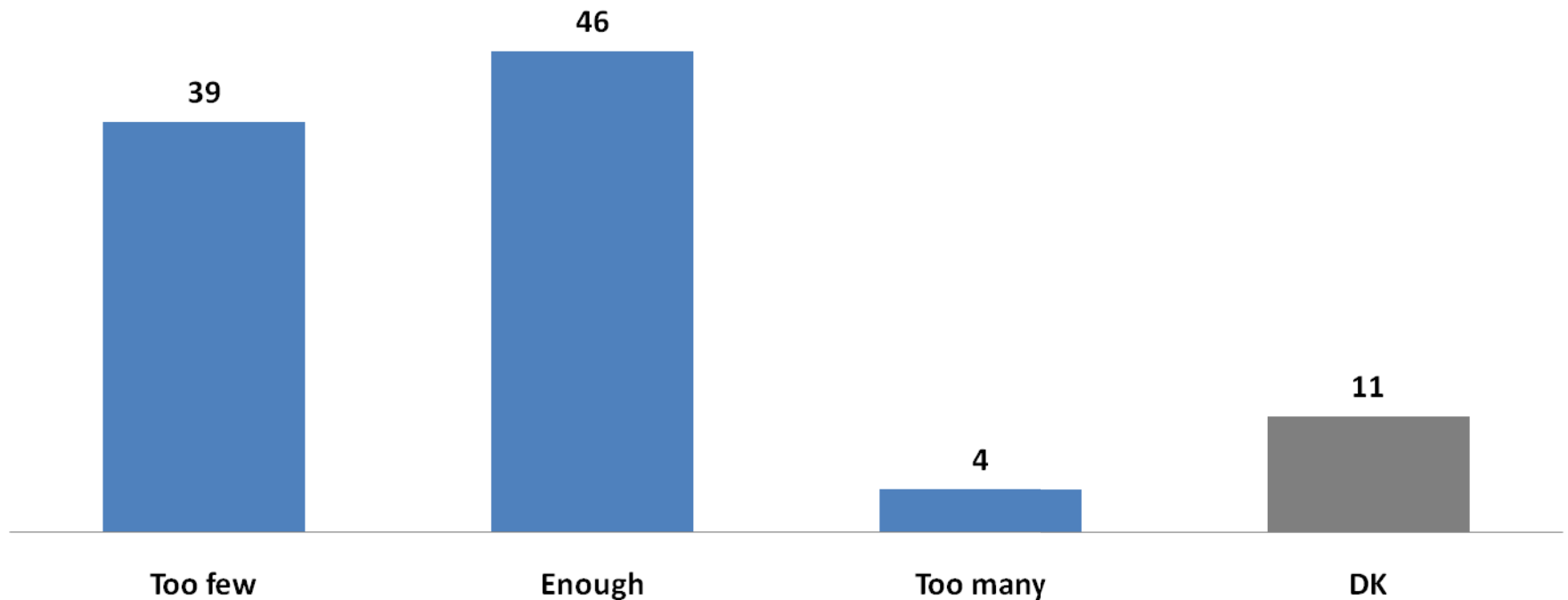


Generally, comparing the performance of men and women in elected office, what do you think? (q42 X Gender)

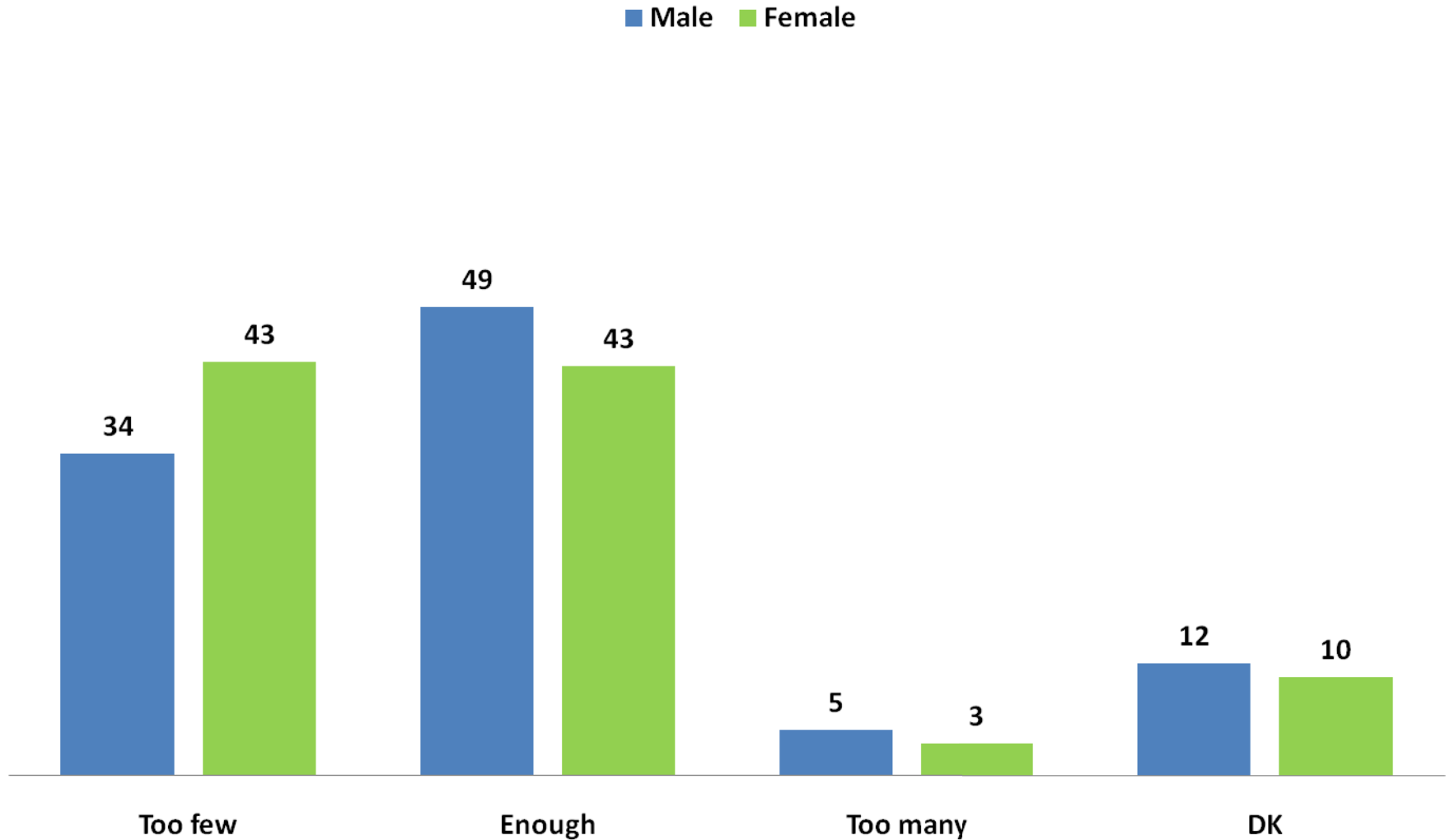
Male Female



Currently there are 16 (11%) women members of parliament out of 150. Do you think this is . . .? (q43)

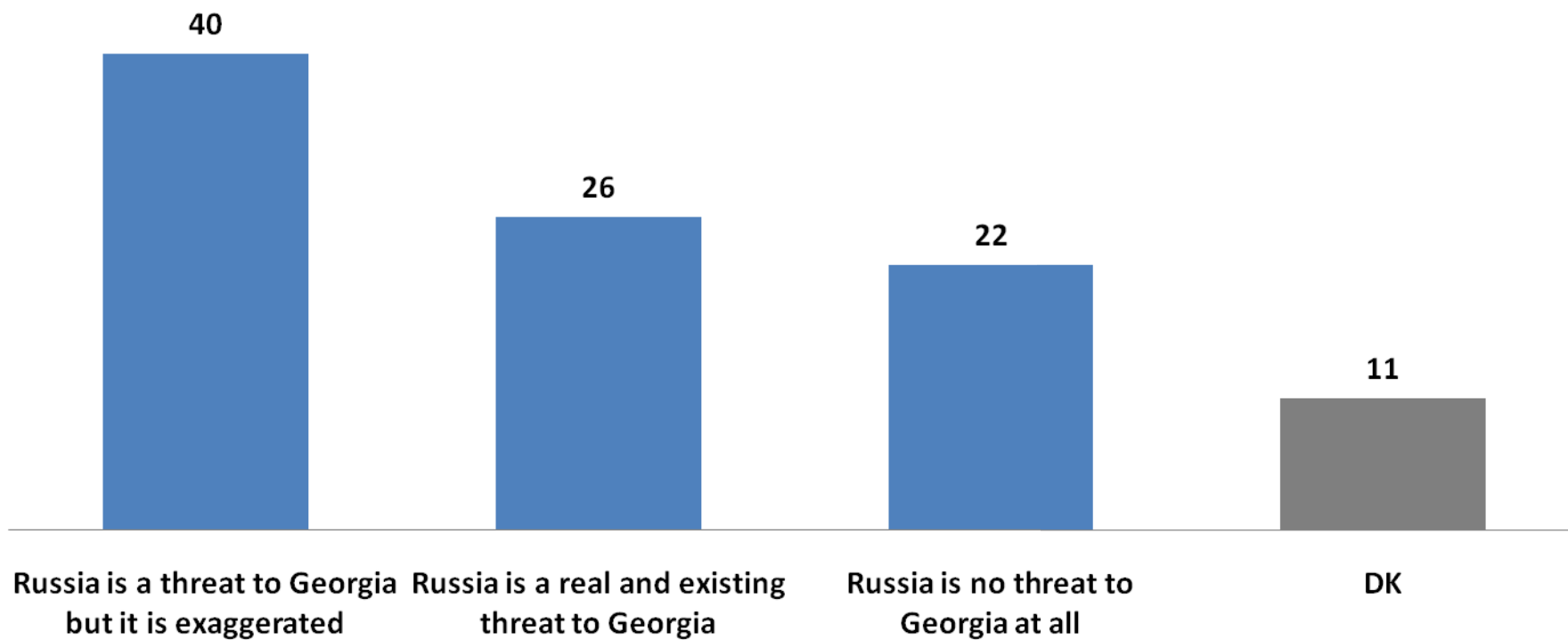


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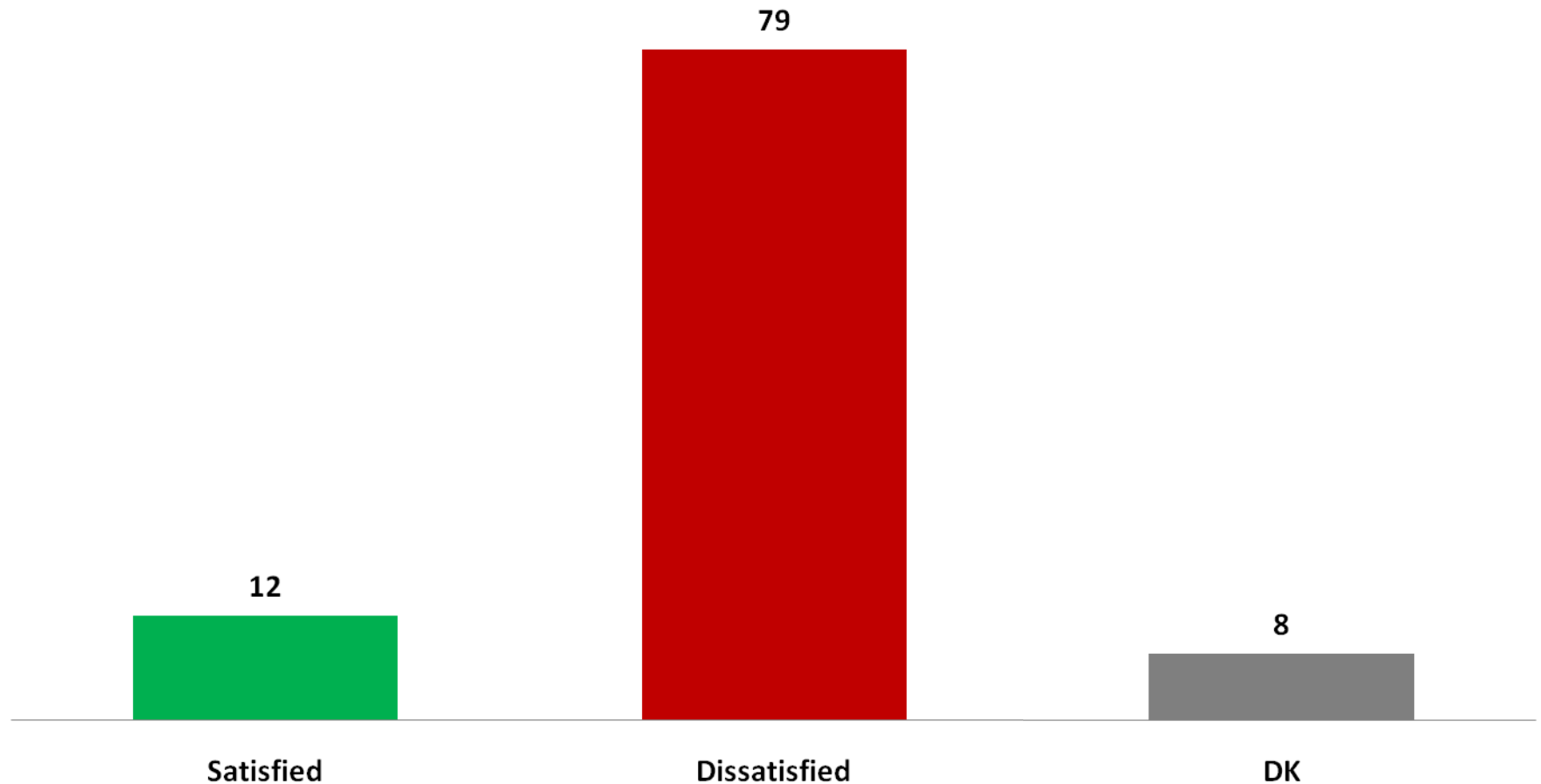


Foreign Relations

Which of the following statements do you agree with the most?
(q44)

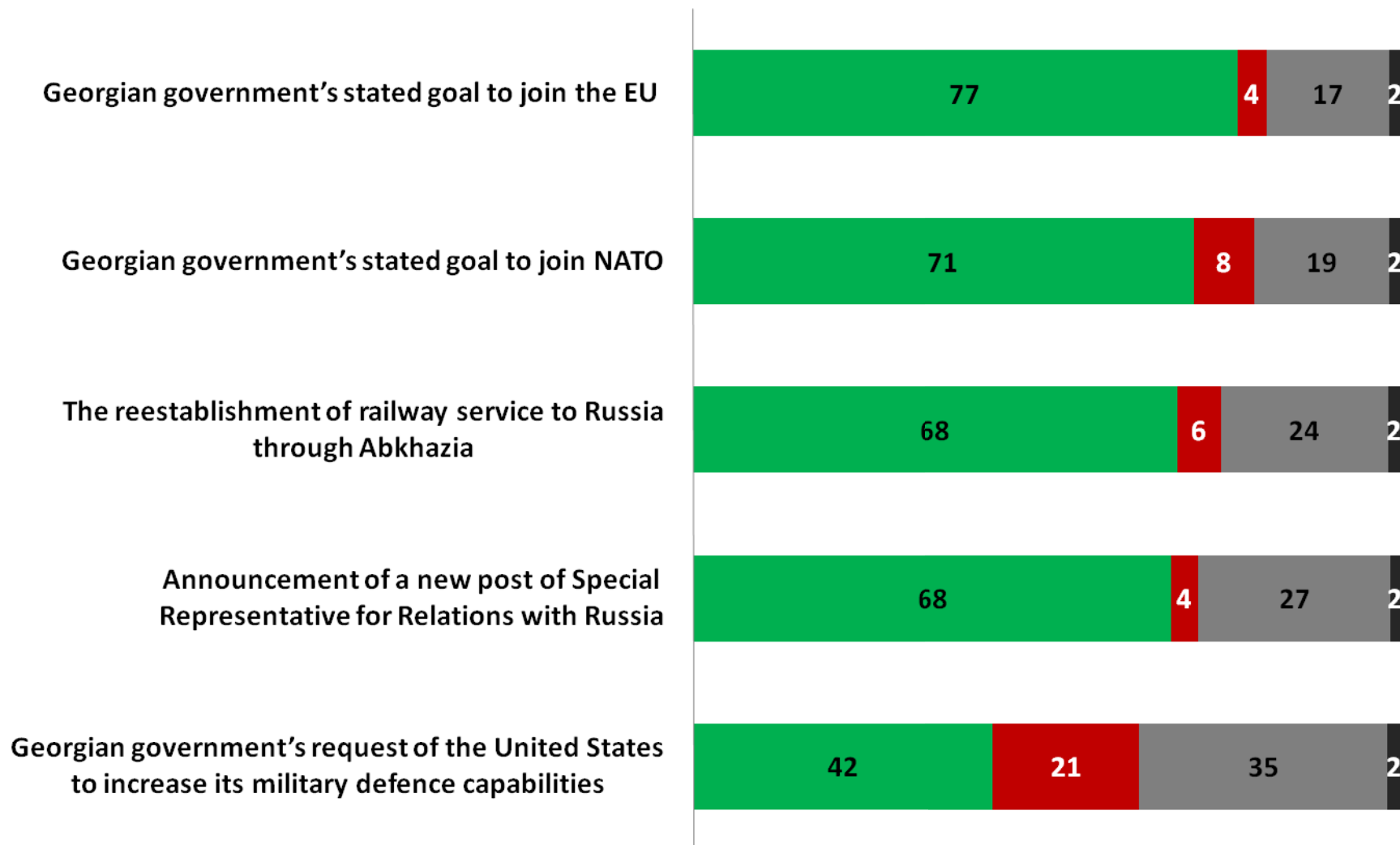


Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with Georgia's current relationship with Russia? (q45)

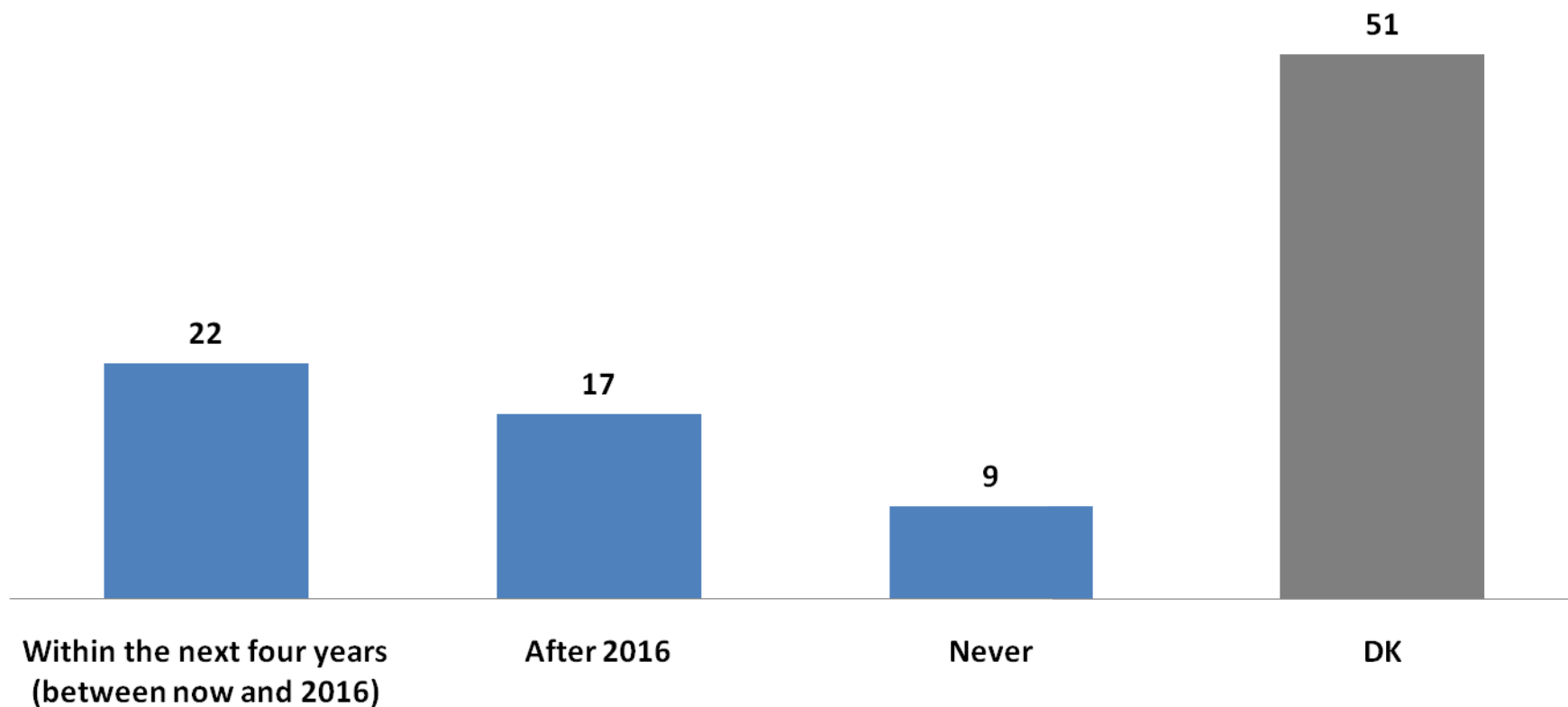


Do you approve or disapprove of the following? (q46)

■ Approve ■ Disapprove ■ DK ■ RA

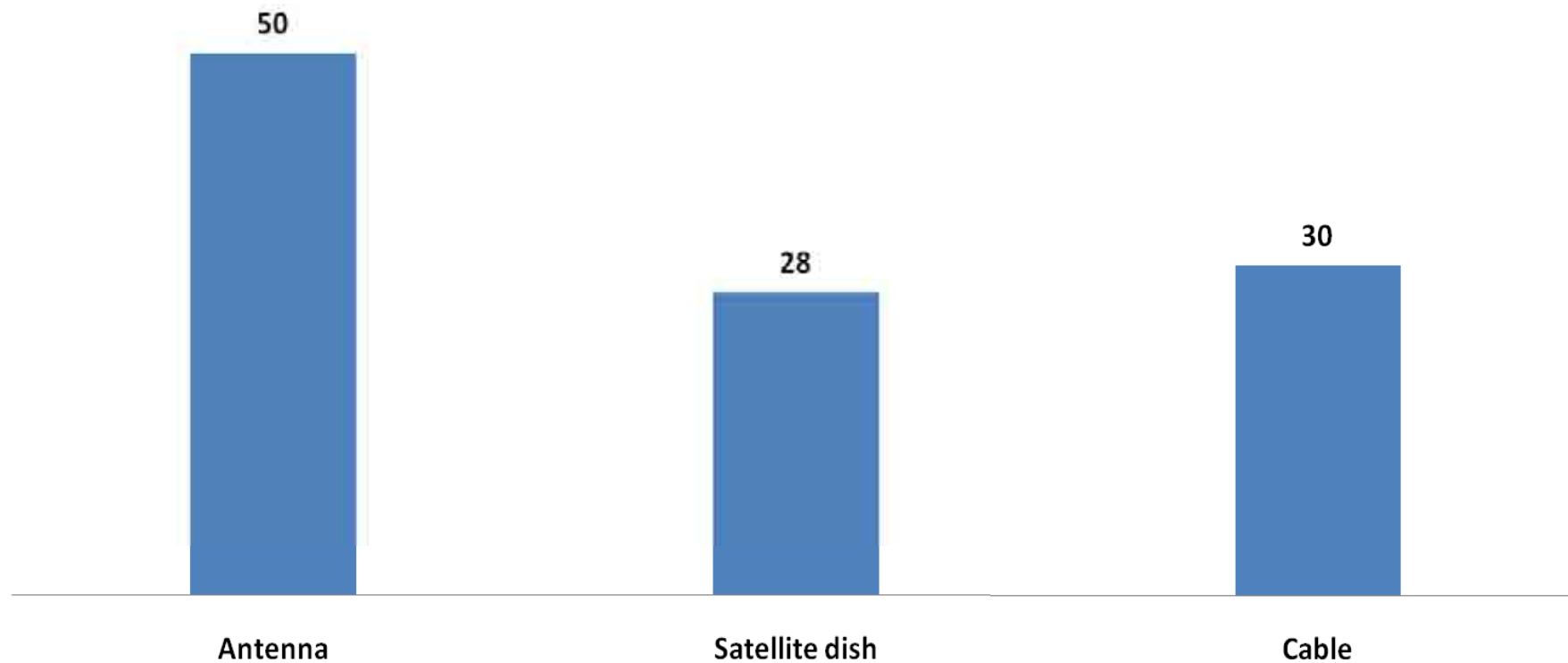


If at all, when do you think Georgia will be granted NATO membership? (q47)



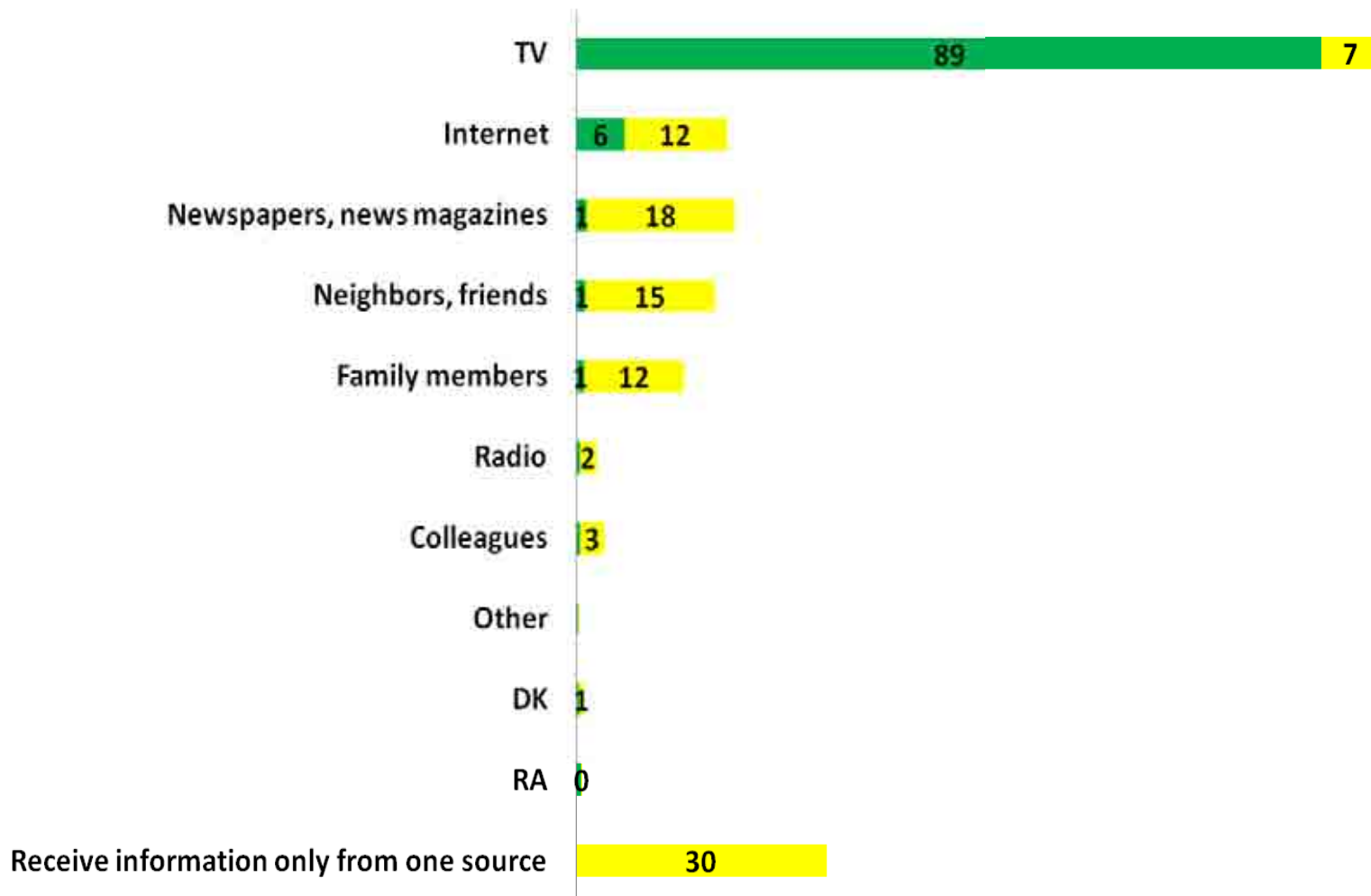
Media

How do you receive TV signal? Select all that apply (q65)



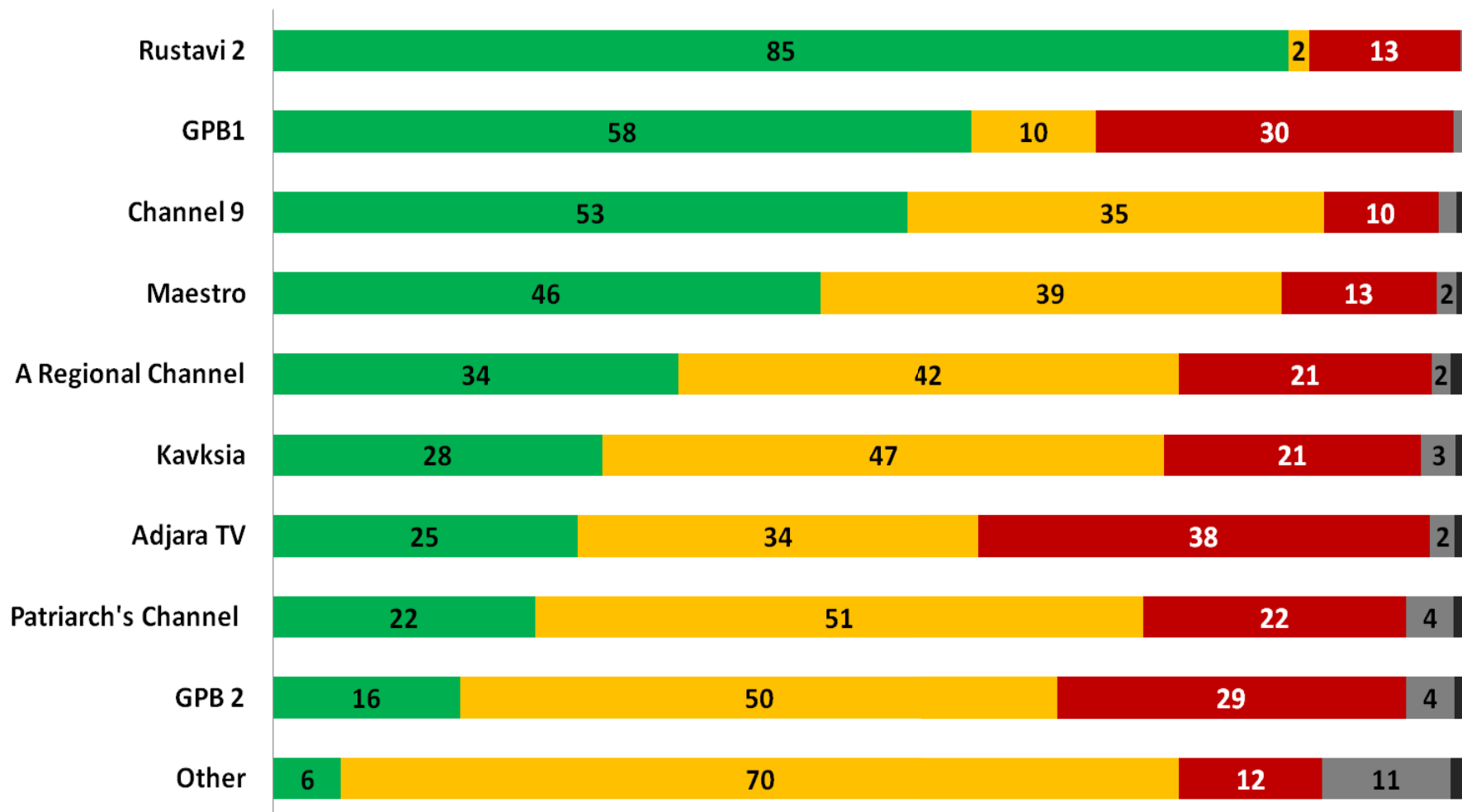
What are your main sources of information for receiving news about Georgian politics and current events? (q63-q64)

■ First source ■ Second source

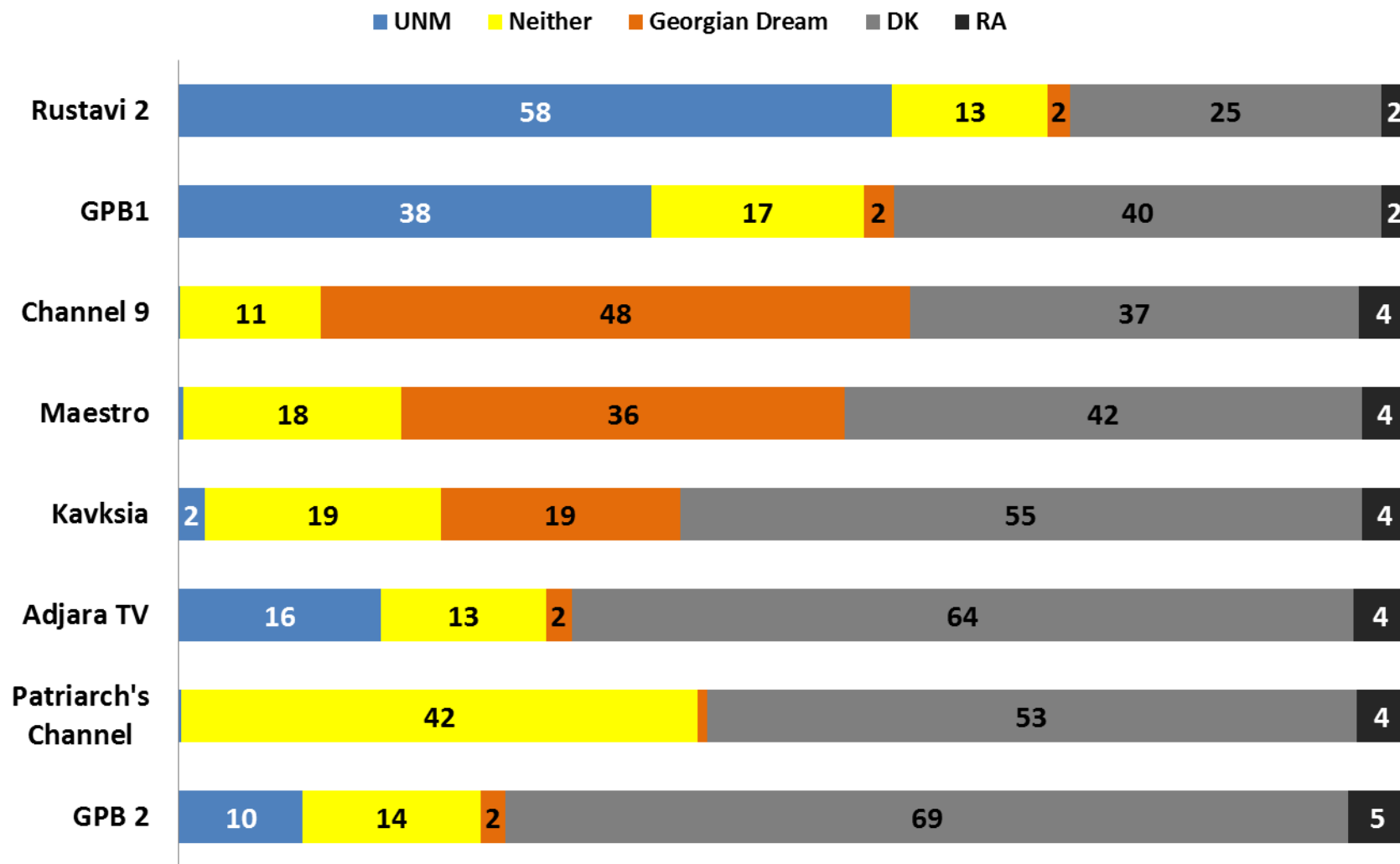


Do you watch coverage of Georgian politics and current events on the following channels? (Q67)

■ Yes
 ■ No – I have no reception
 ■ No – I have reception but I don't watch
 ■ DK
 ■ RA

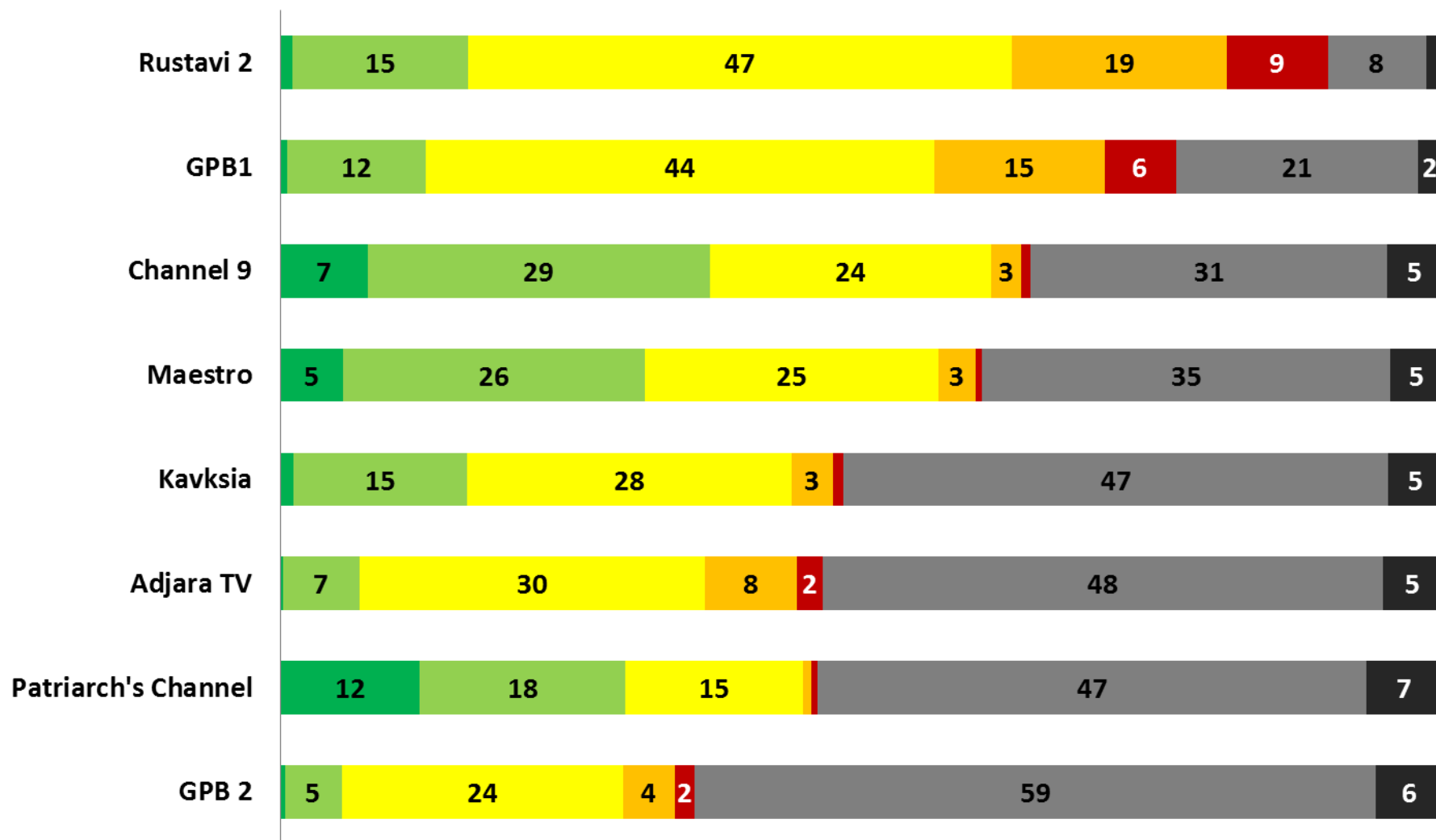


Do you think that news about Georgian politics and current affairs on the following Georgian TV channels mostly reflect the interests of UNM, Georgian Dream or neither? (q68)

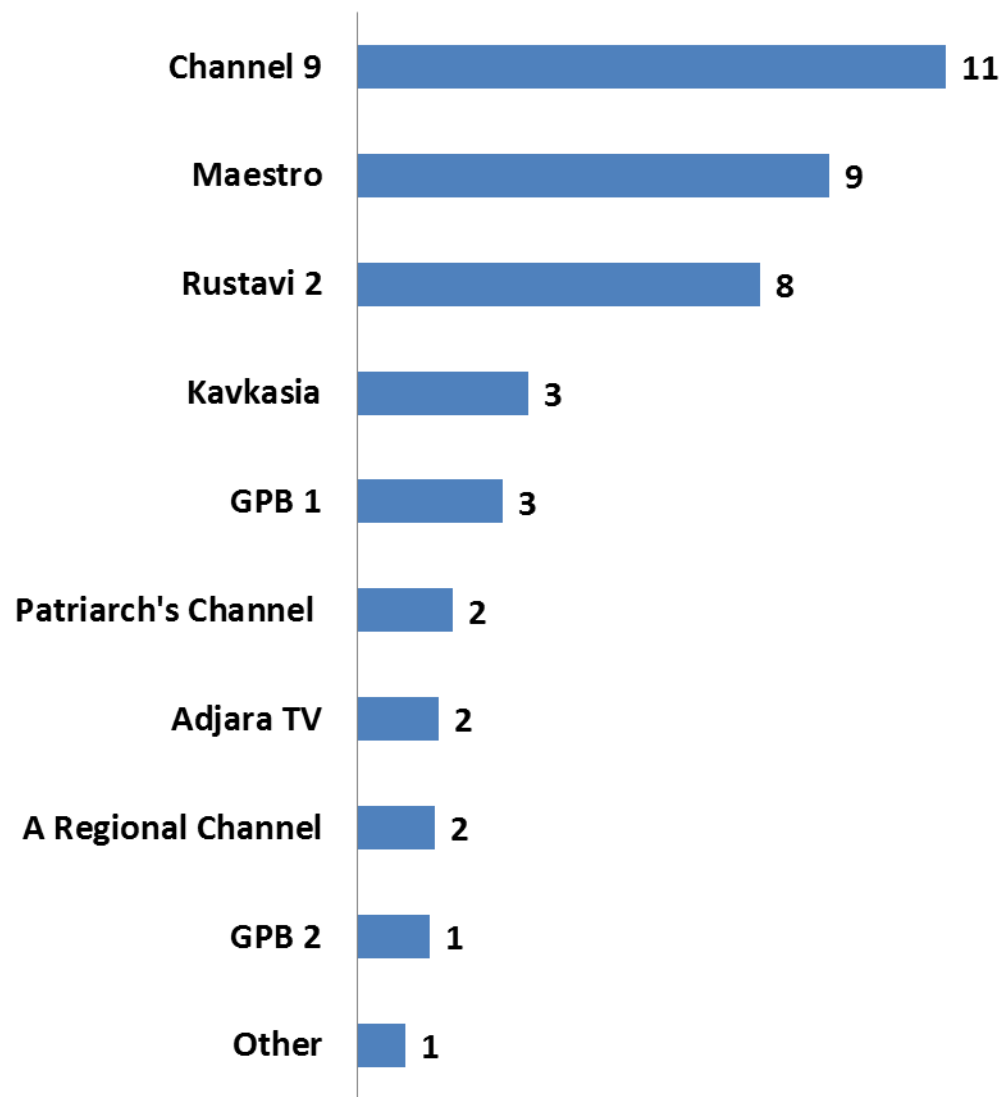


How much do you trust coverage of news and current affairs on the following TV channels? (q69)

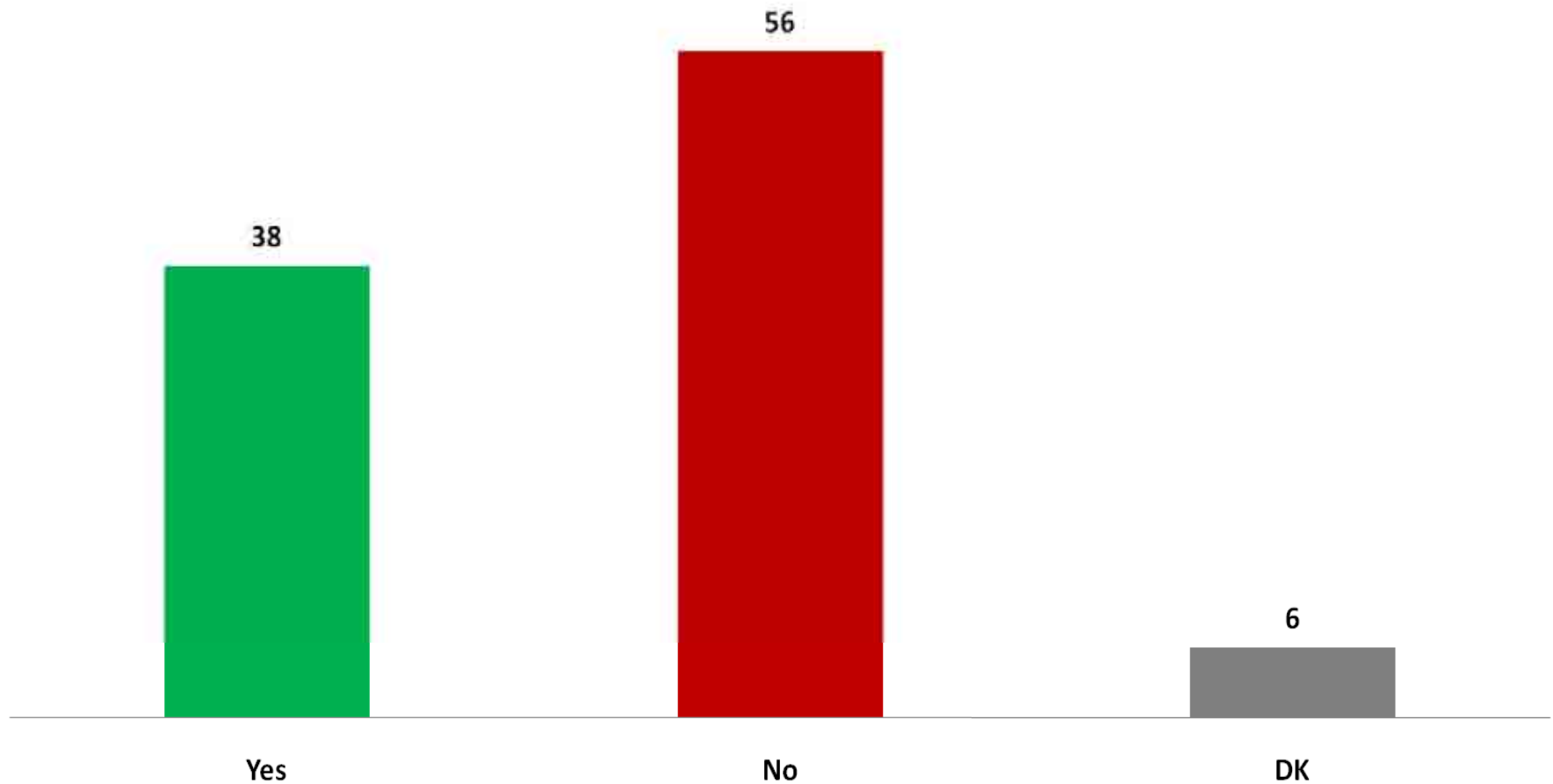
■ Fully trust
 ■ Trust
 ■ Neutral
 ■ Do not trust
 ■ Do not trust at all
 ■ DK
 ■ RA



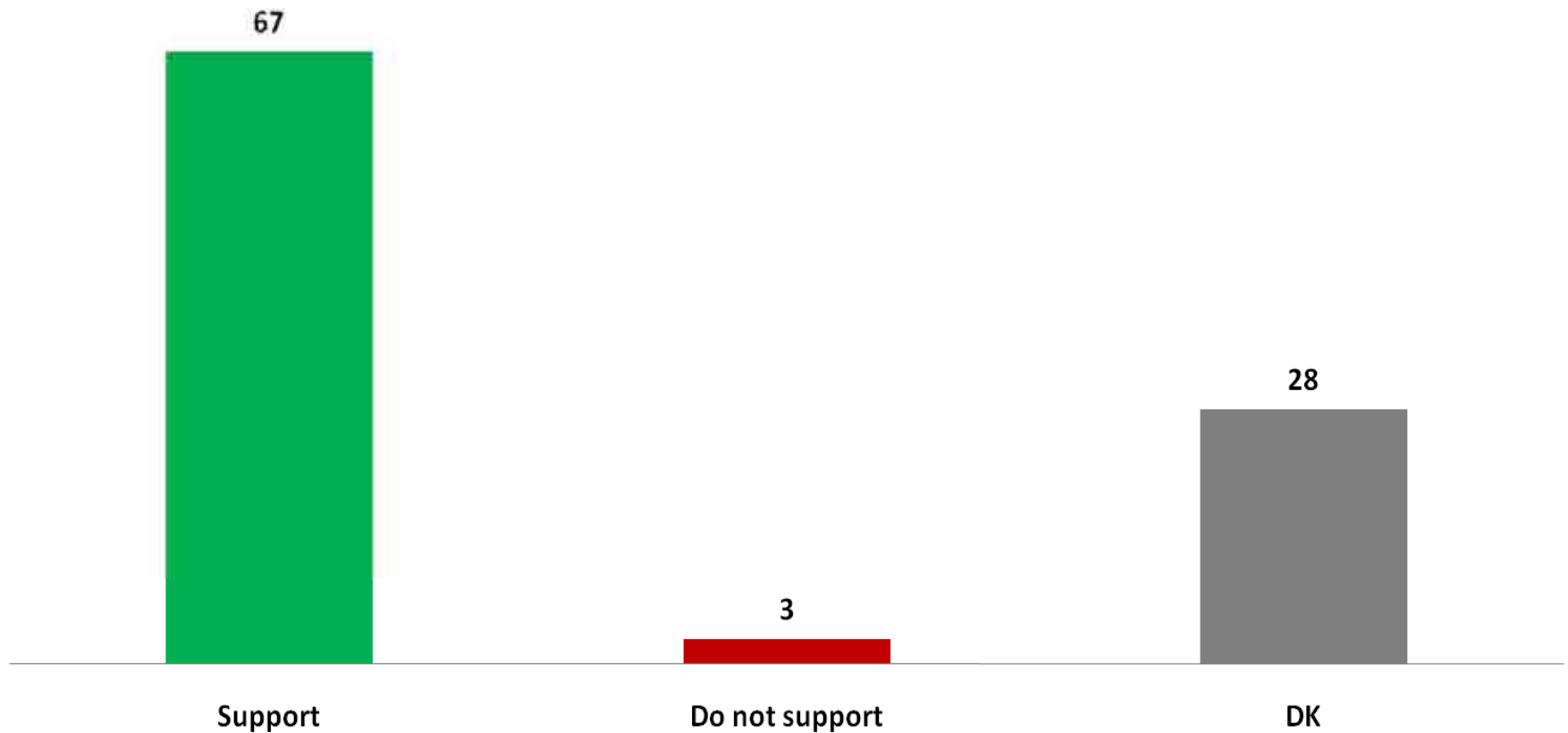
Do you watch the following channels on the Internet? (q66)



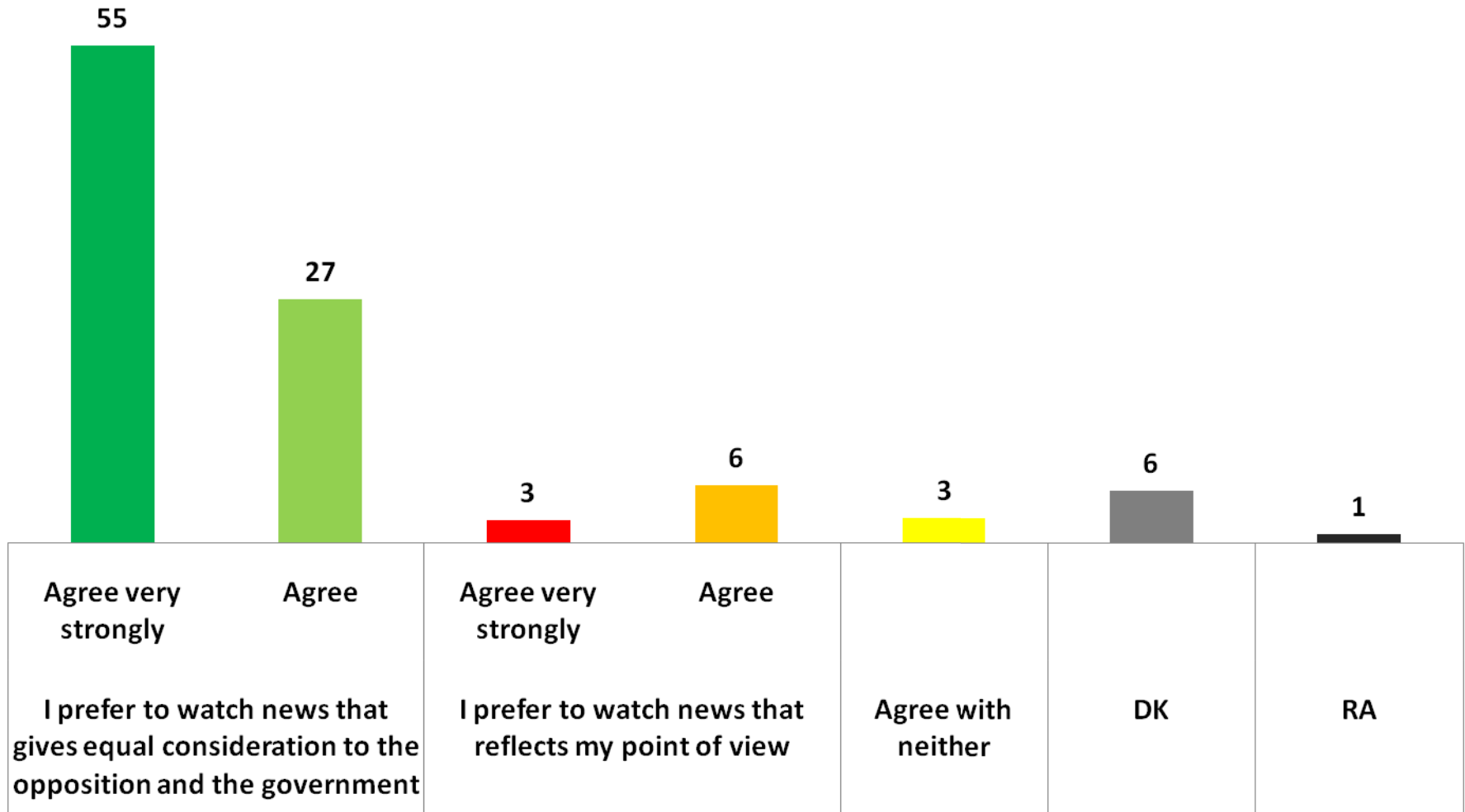
Are you aware of the "Must Carry " legislation passed by the previous parliament obligating all cable providers to transmit all television channels with news programs? (q74)



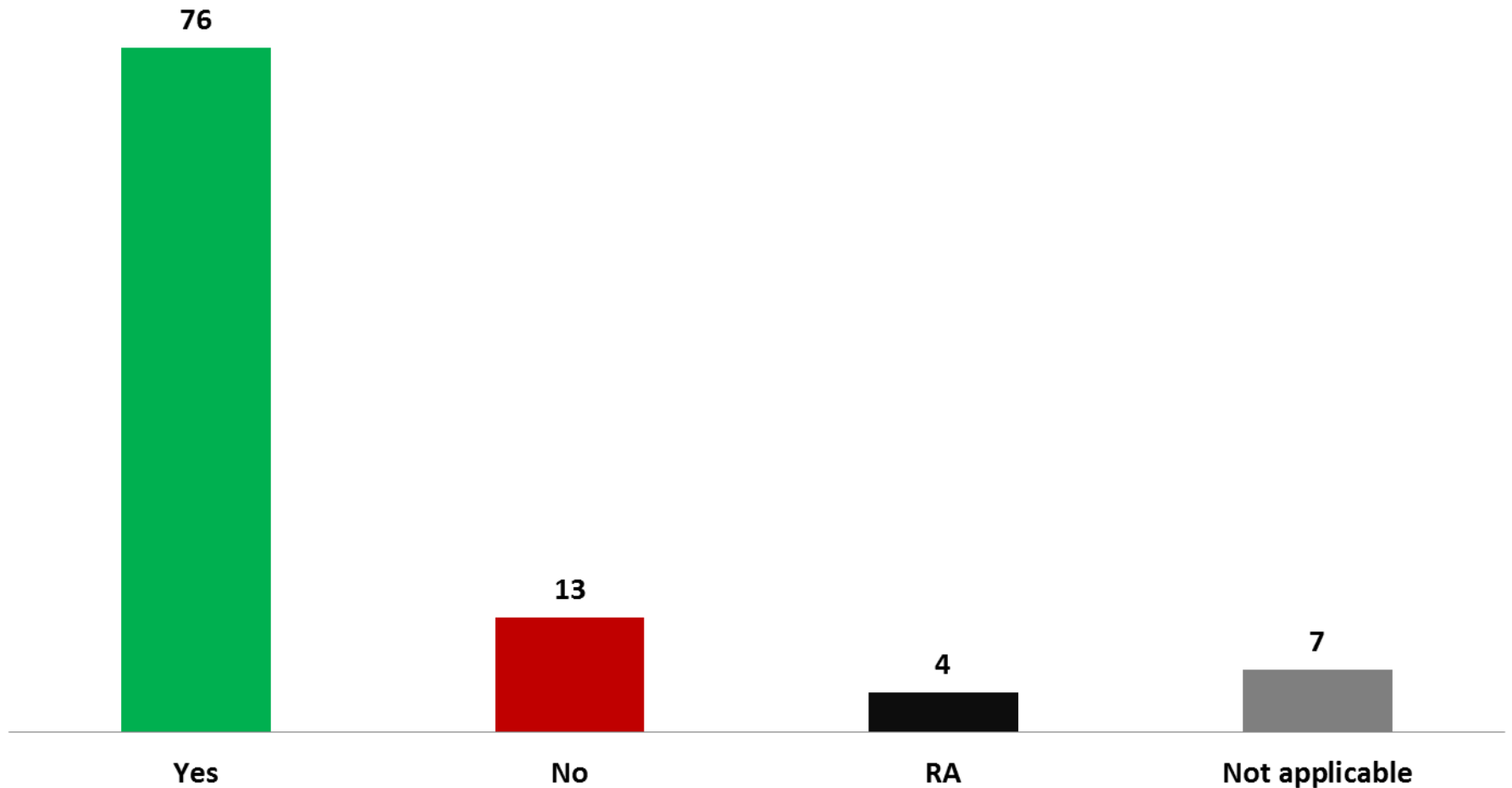
Some have proposed amending the law further to extend the “Must Carry” obligations into the future. Do you support this (proposal on extending “Must carry” obligations into the future)? (q76)



Which statement do you agree with most? (70)

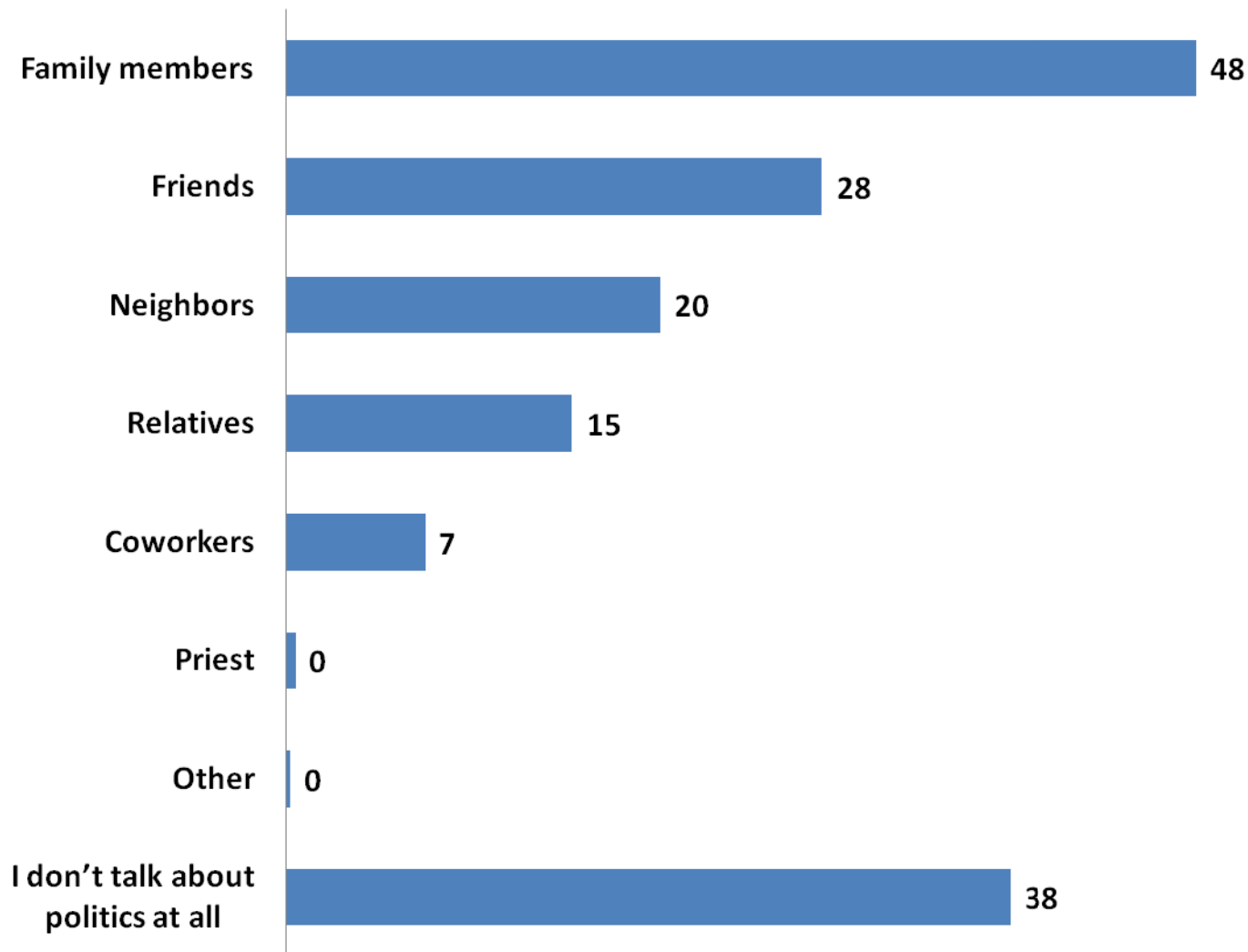


In the past four months have you been receiving enough information from the media about the party you support? (q73)

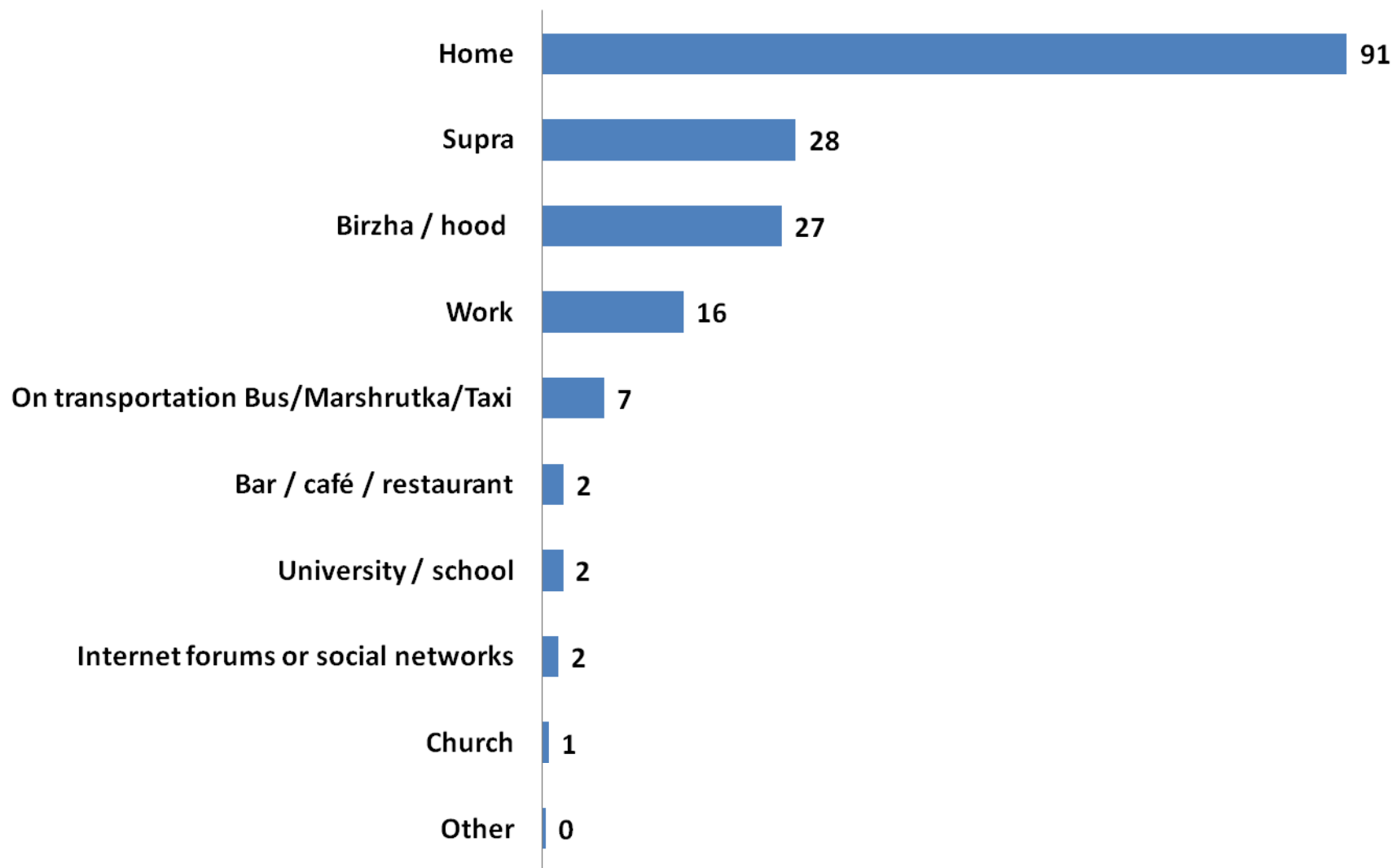


Demographics

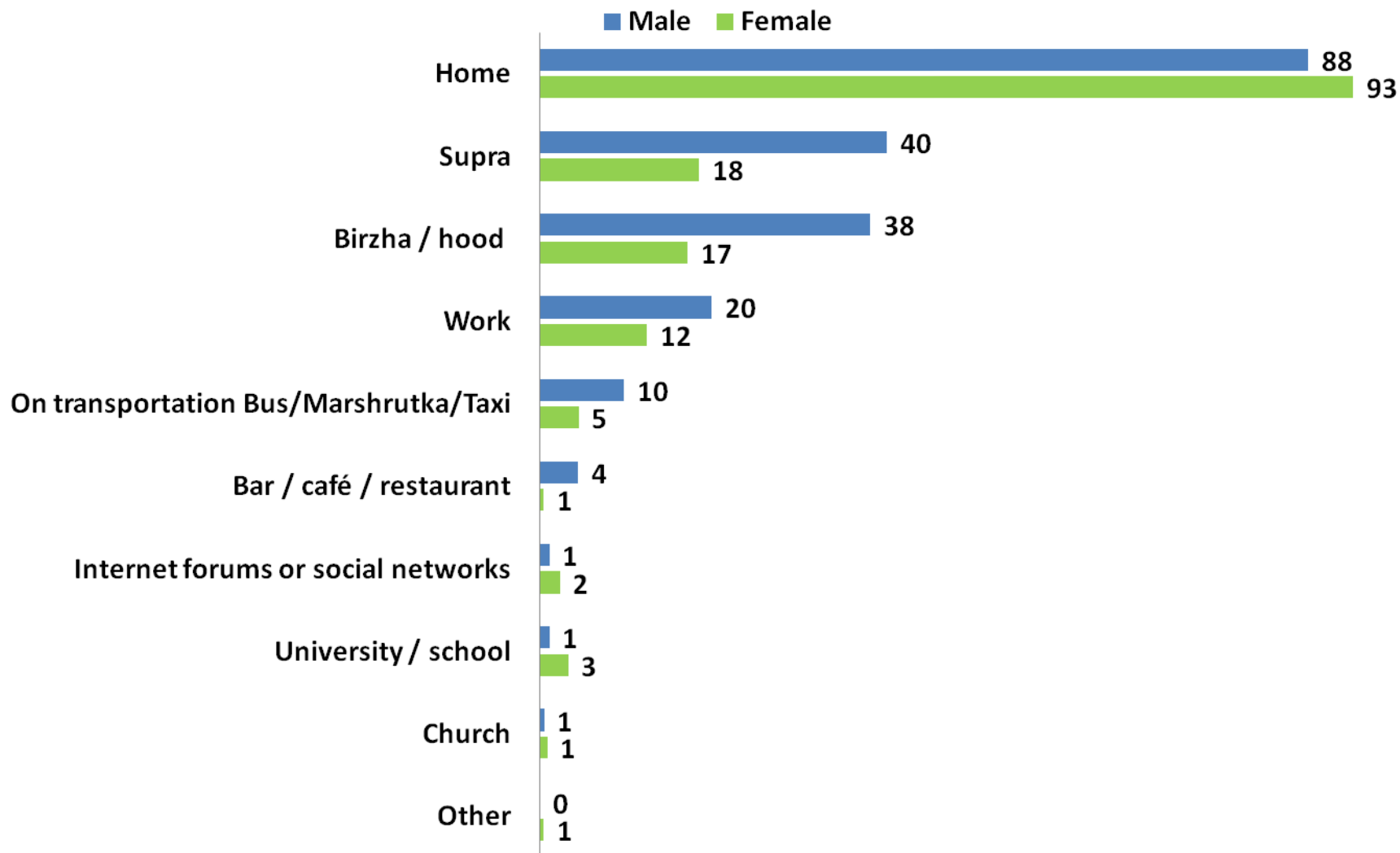
With whom do you talk about politics? (q59)



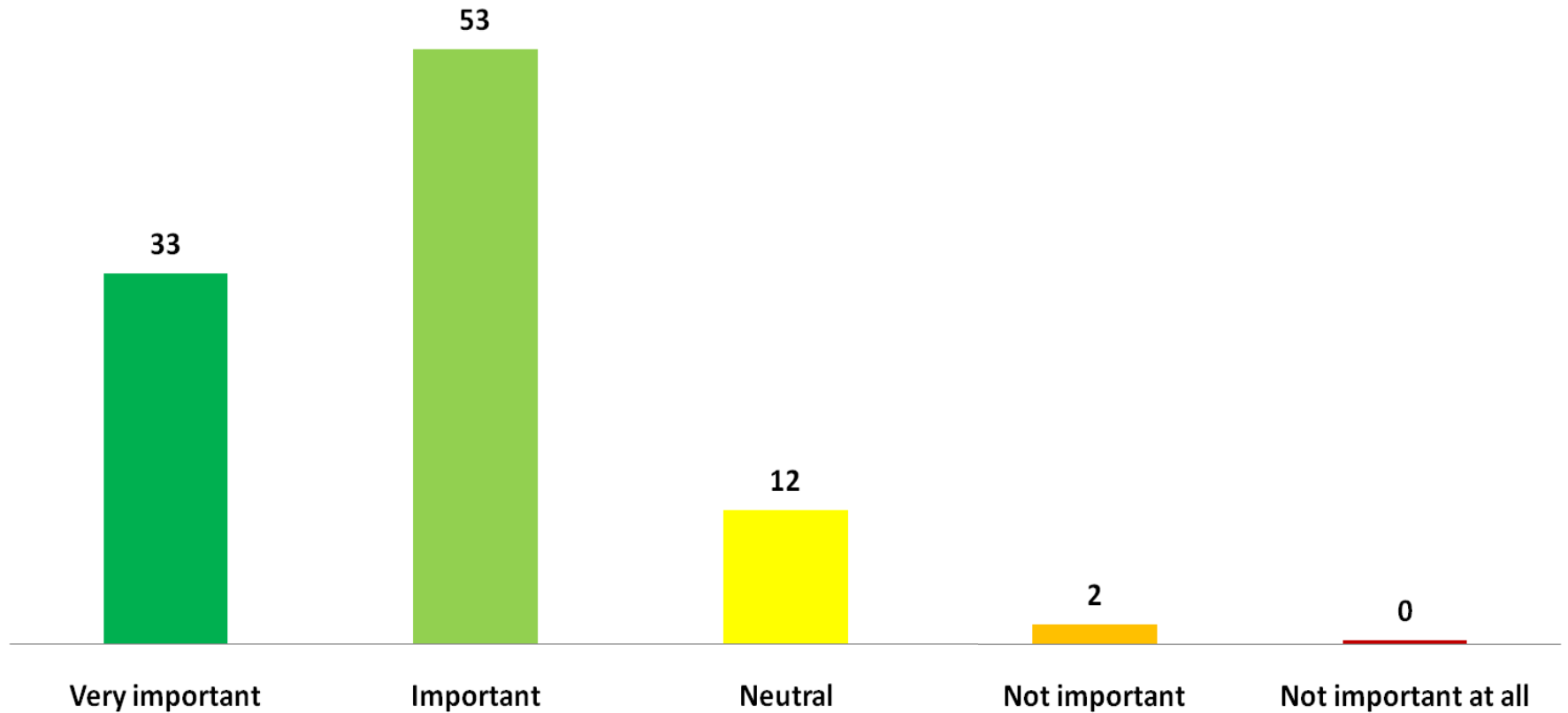
Where do you talk about politics? - of the 58% who talk about politics (q60)



Where do you talk about politics? of the 58% who talk about politics (q60 X Gender)



**How important are your own religious beliefs in making
decisions in daily life? (q93)**



Apart from special occasions such as weddings and funerals, about how often do you attend religious services? (q94)

