

Armenian National Study

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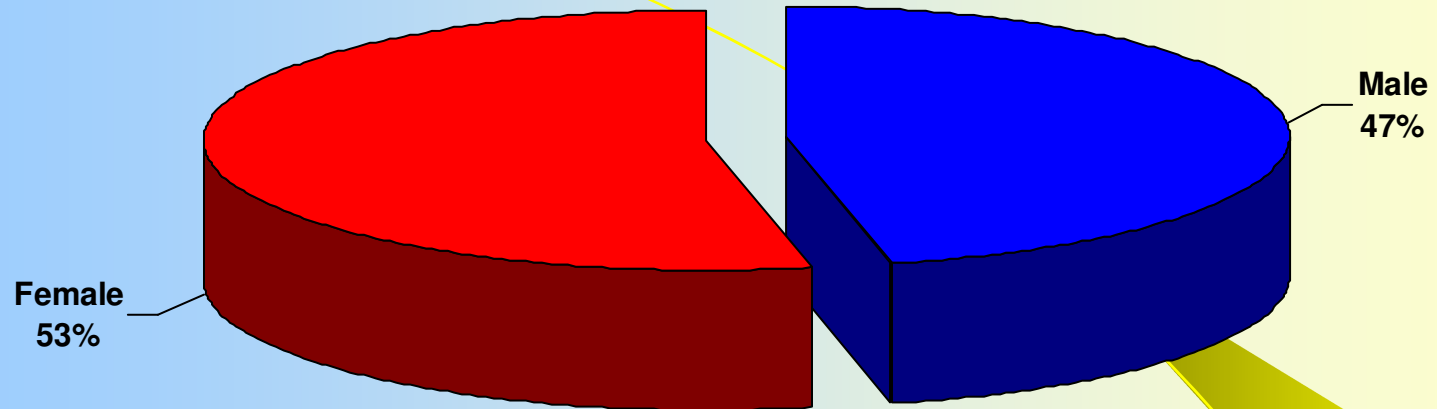


METHODOLOGY

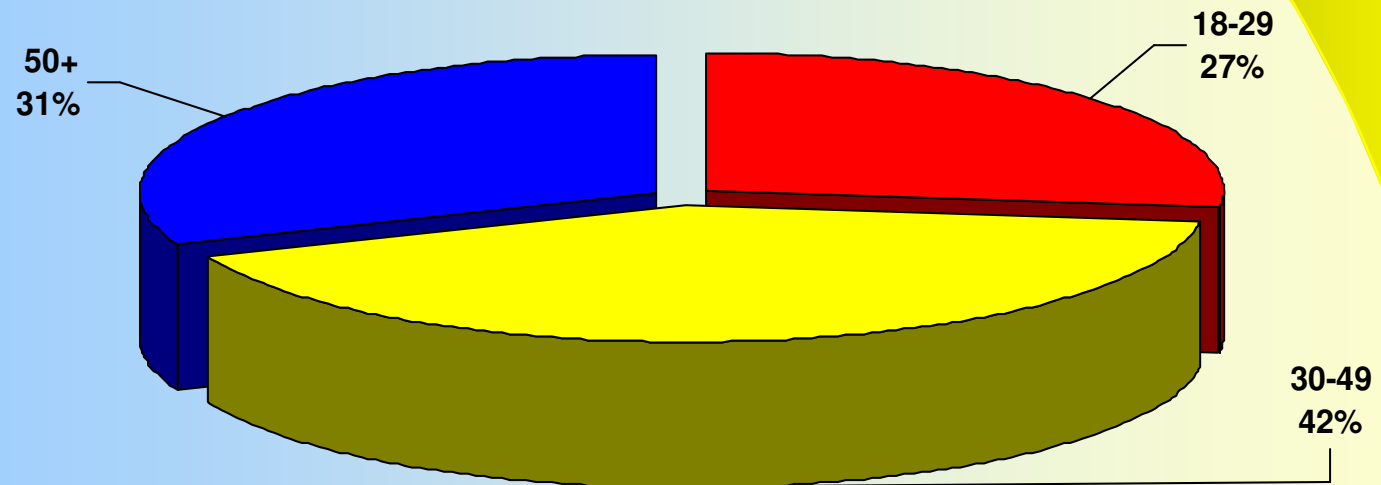
- This national representative survey was conducted on January 13 –20, 2007, by the Armenian Sociological Association (ASA) for Baltic Surveys/Gallup on behalf of the International Republican Institute.
- The sample consisted of 1,200 Armenian residents over the age of 18 and eligible to vote and is representative of the general population by age, gender, education and religion.
- The sample design was a multi-stage random sample.
 - Stage One: Break country into official administrative regions.
 - Stage Two: Select clusters of sampling points based on settlement population (large, medium, small towns and villages). One sample point = approximately one percent of survey population (10-12 surveys). Sampling points in each region were selected based on the percentage of population living in the various levels of settlement in that same region.
- Respondents were selected by the random route method, using the next birthday rule to select a respondent from within a household.
- Data is collected through face-to-face interviews with the respondents.
- Poll was conducted nationwide, including the capital and all major regional centers.
- The margin of error does not exceed three percent.
- Response rate was 57 percent.

SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHICS

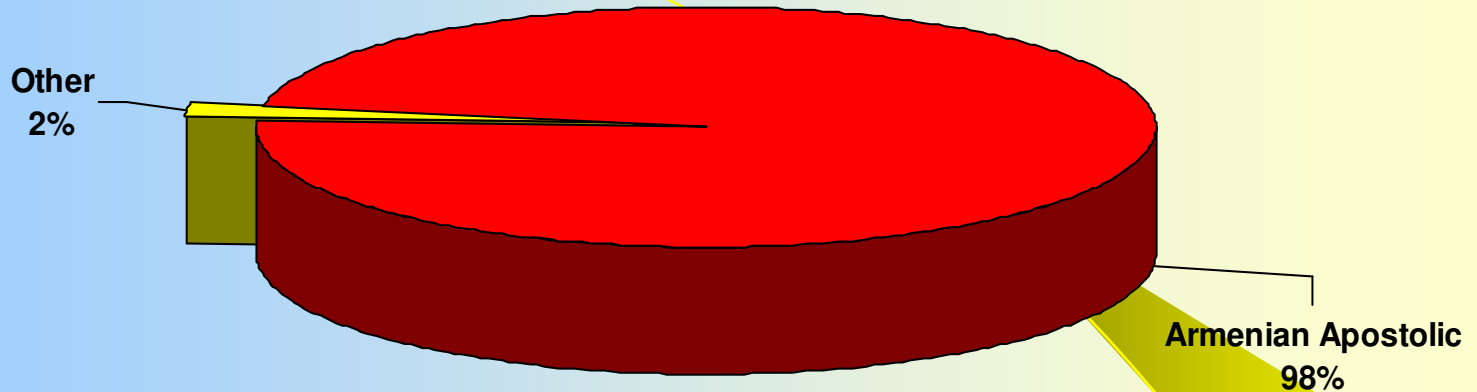
Gender



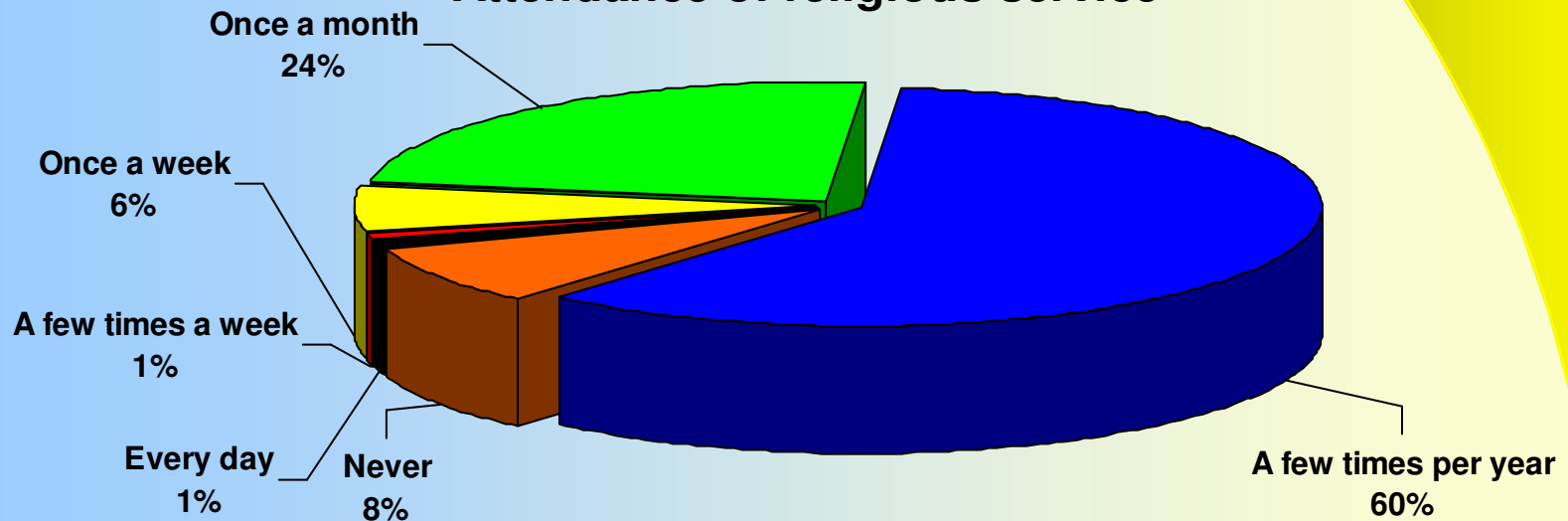
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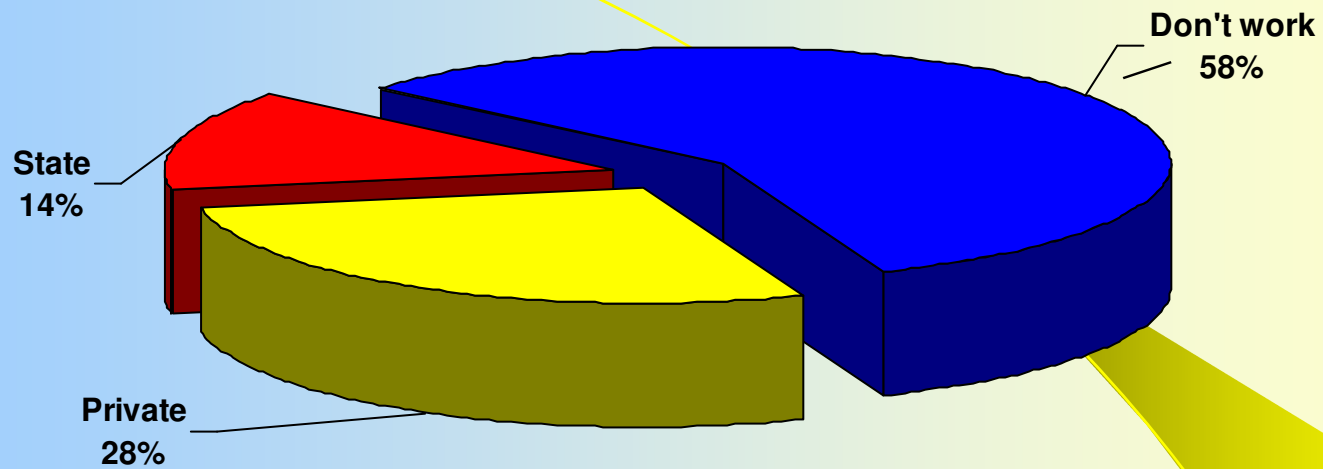
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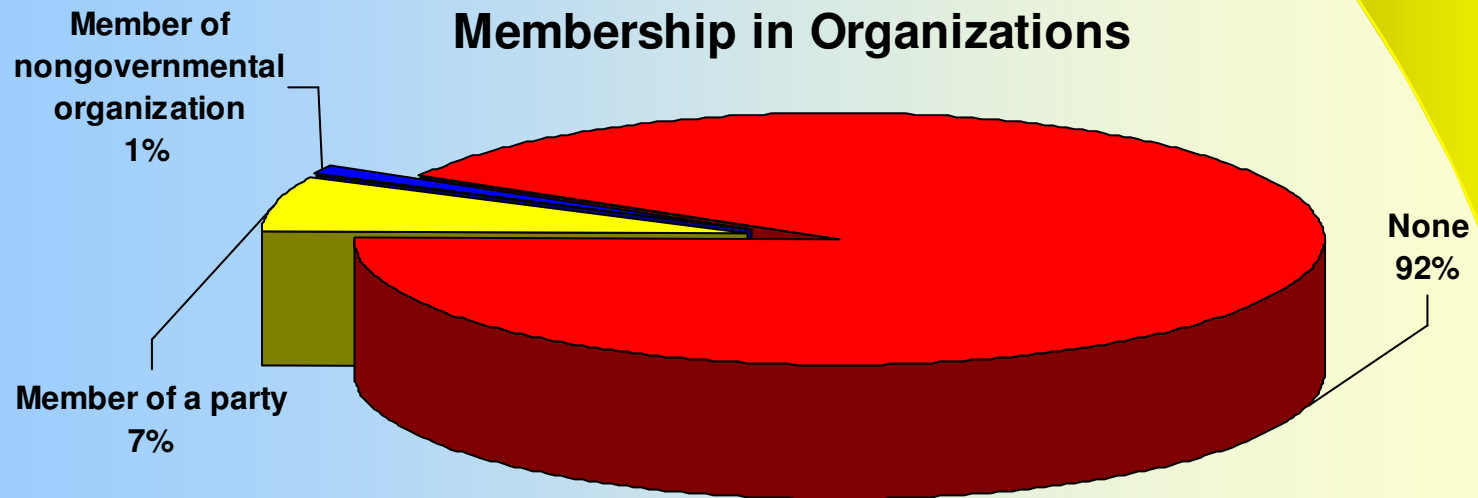
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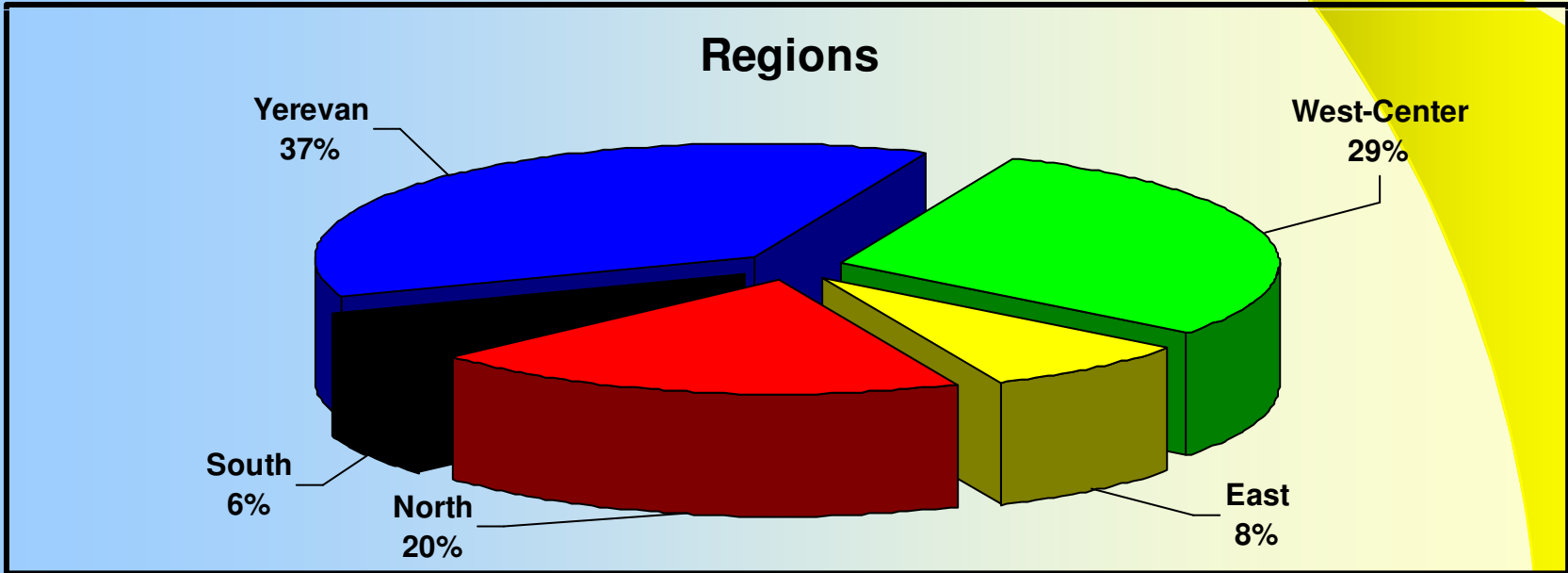
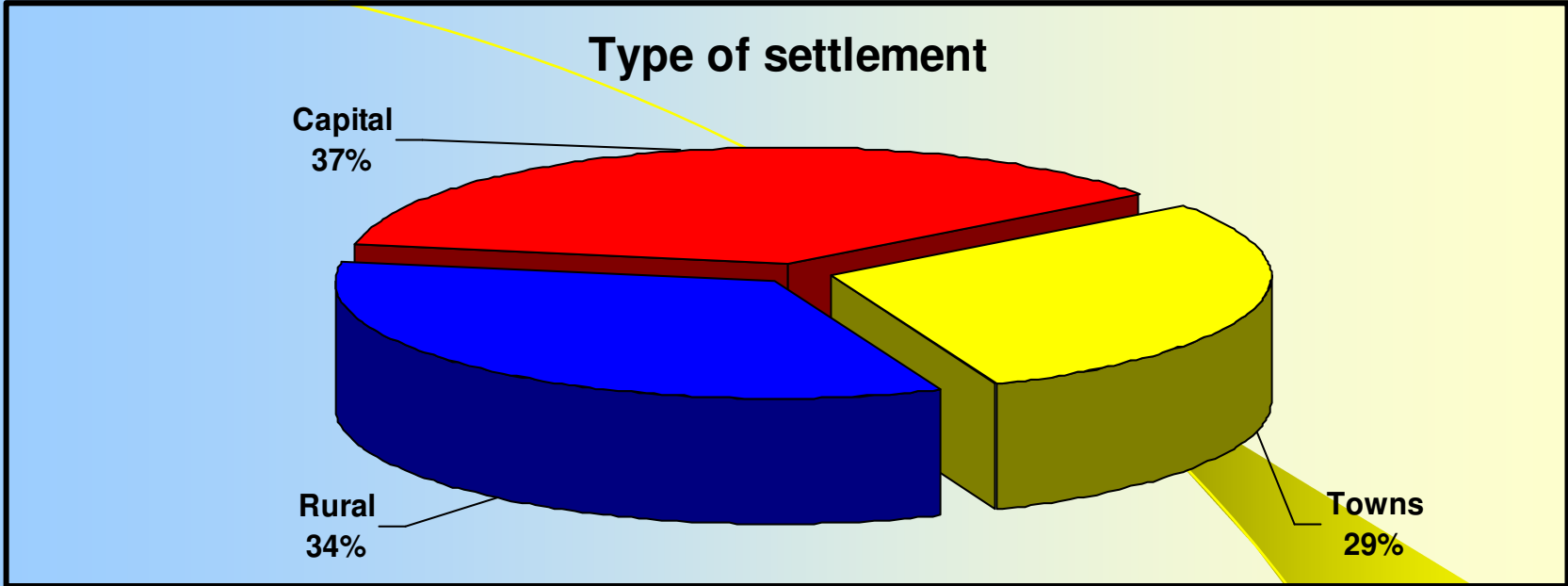


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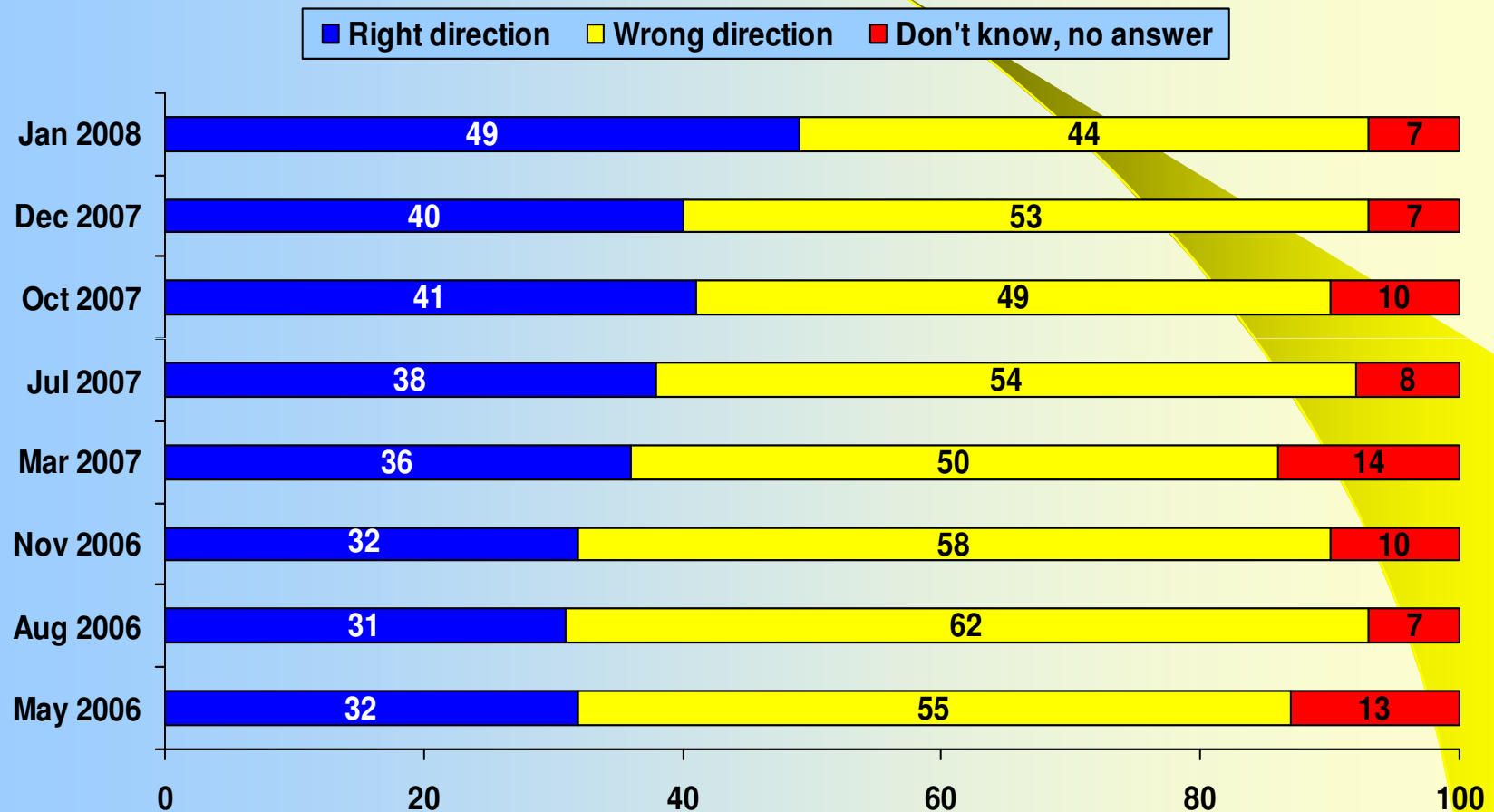
Membership in Organizations



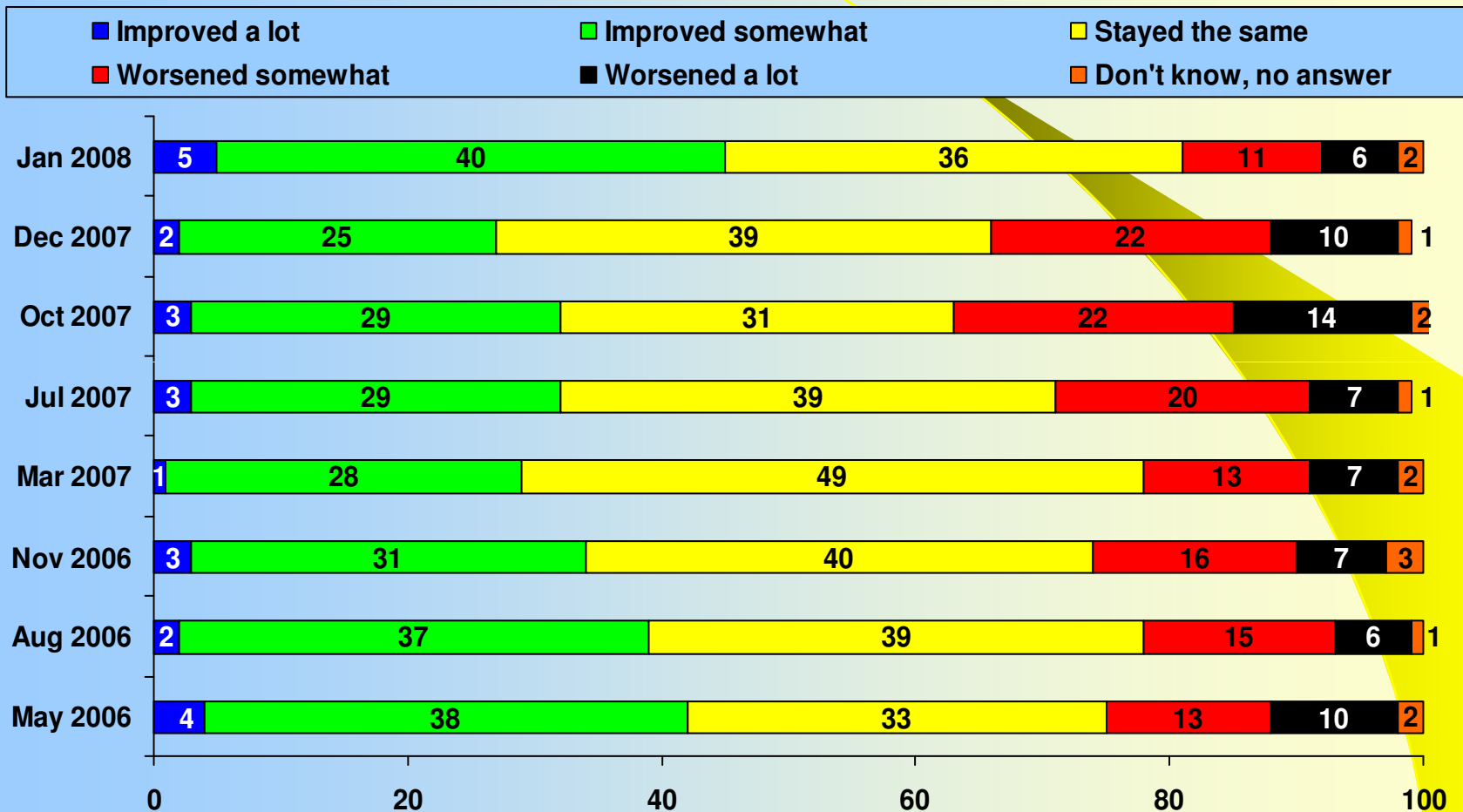


MOOD OF THE COUNTRY

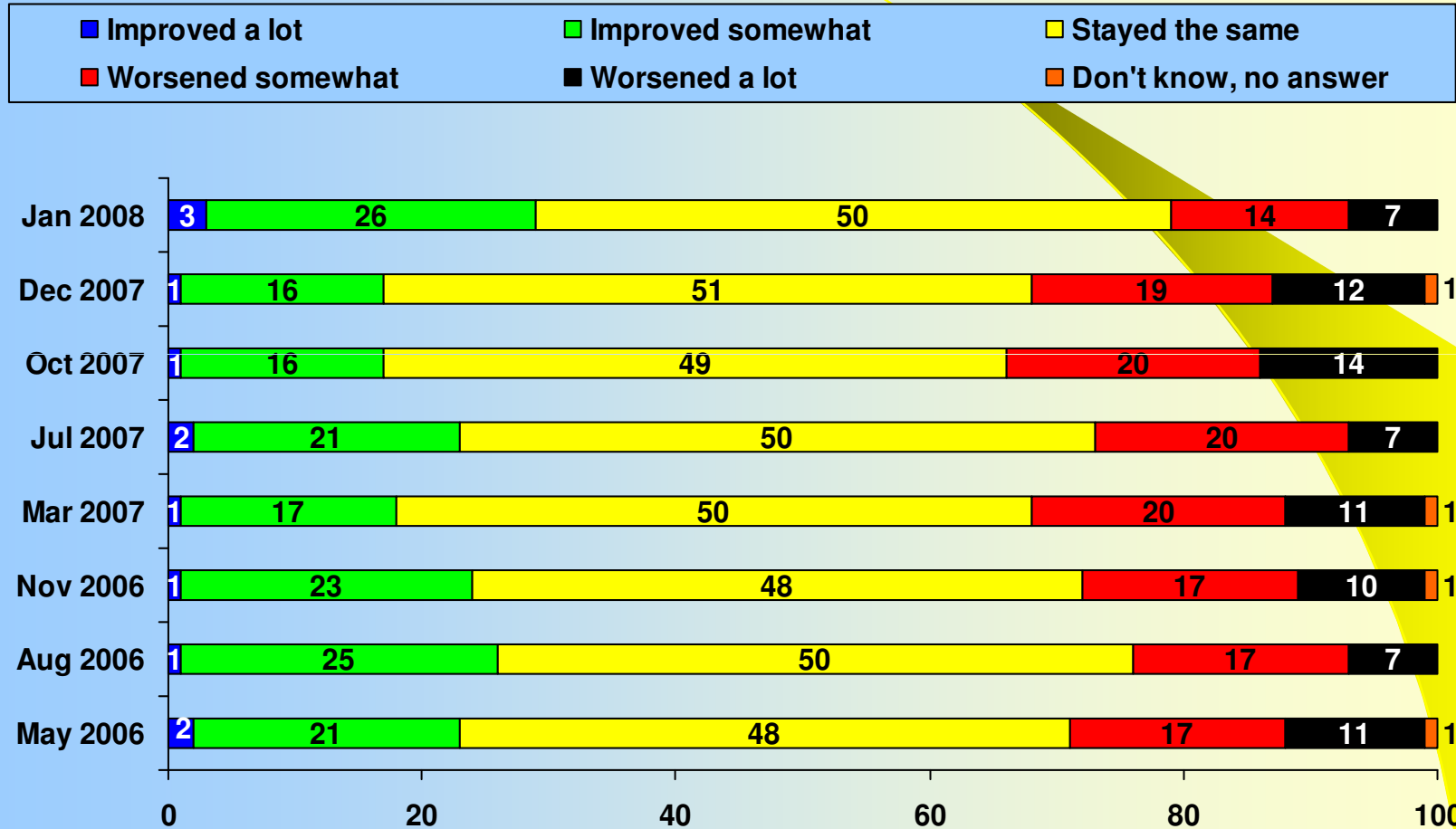
Generally speaking, do you think that things in Armenia are going in the right direction or the wrong direction?



Over the last three months, the economic situation in Armenia has...?

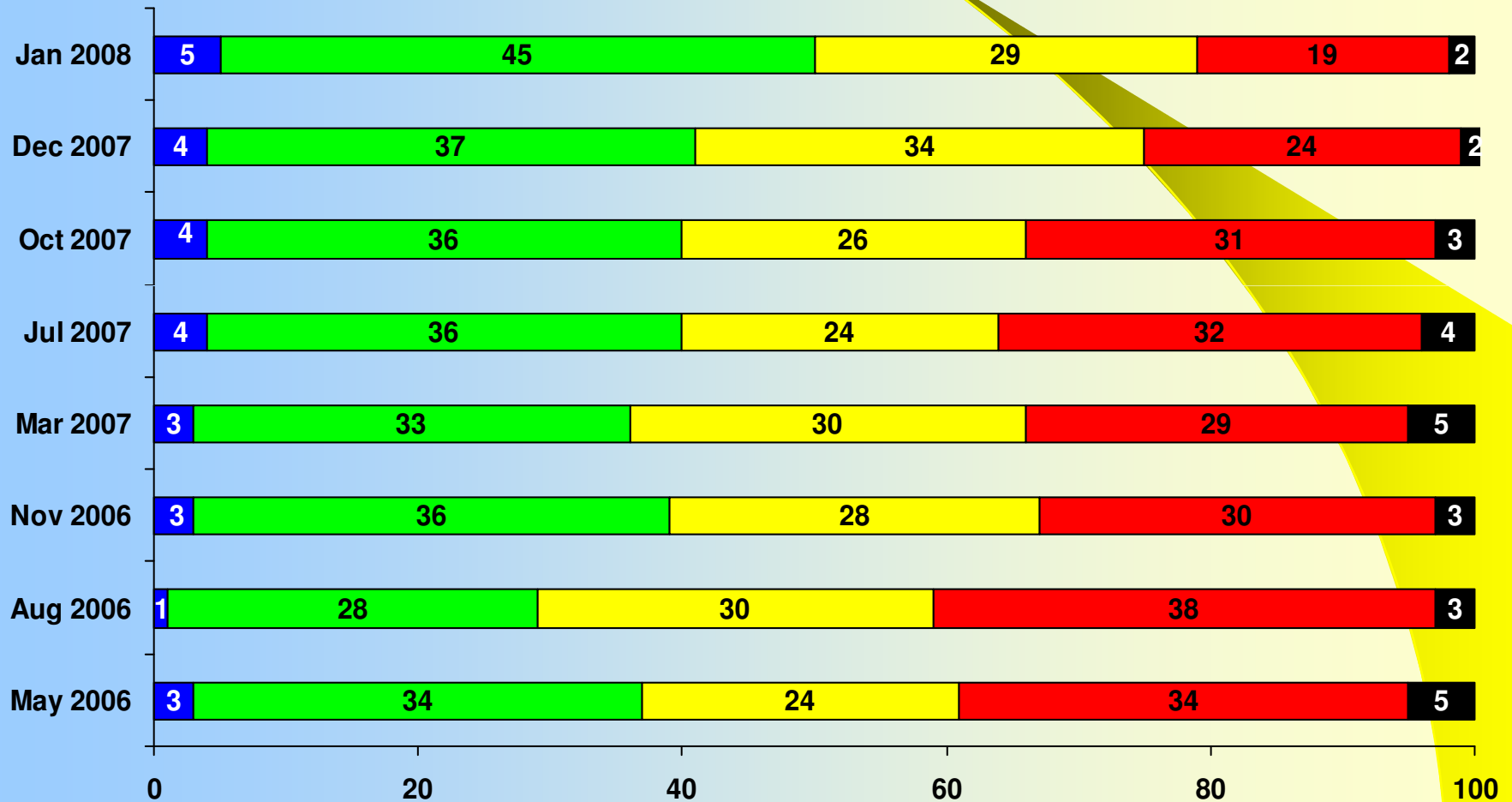


Over the last three months, the financial situation of your household has...?

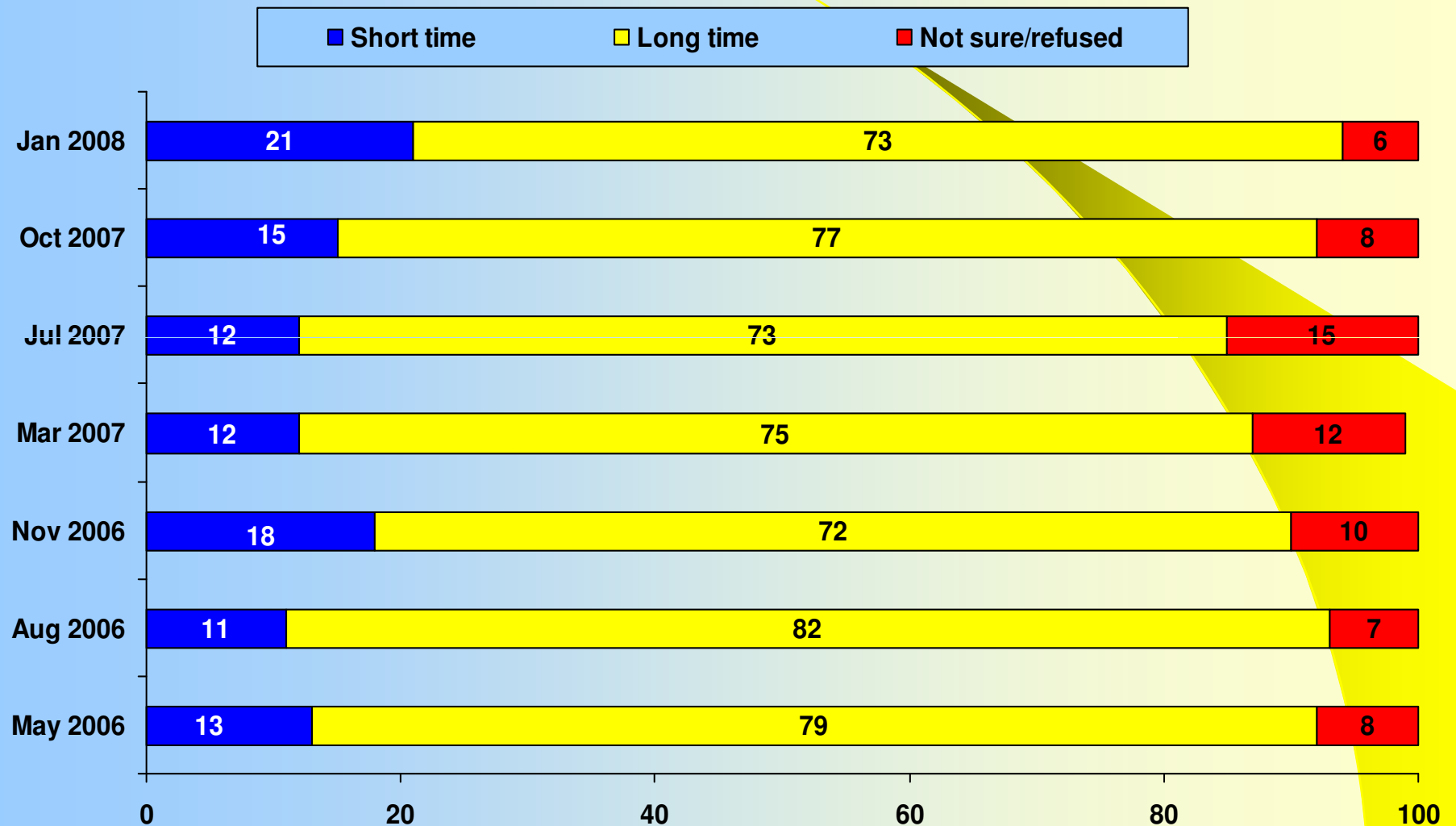


How satisfied are you with the way democracy is developing in Armenia?

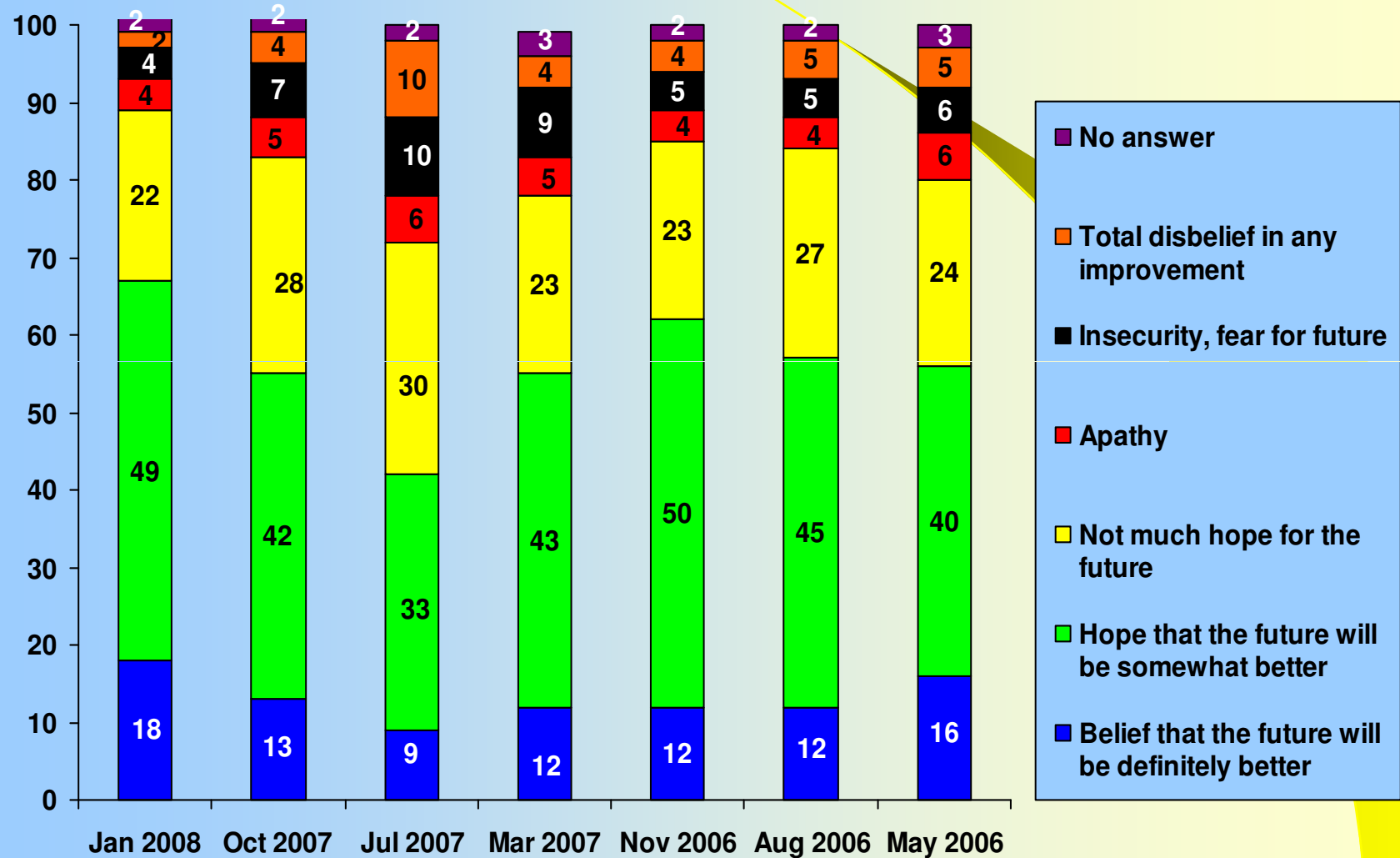
■ Very satisfied
 ■ Somewhat satisfied
 ■ Somewhat dissatisfied
 ■ Very dissatisfied
 ■ DK/NA



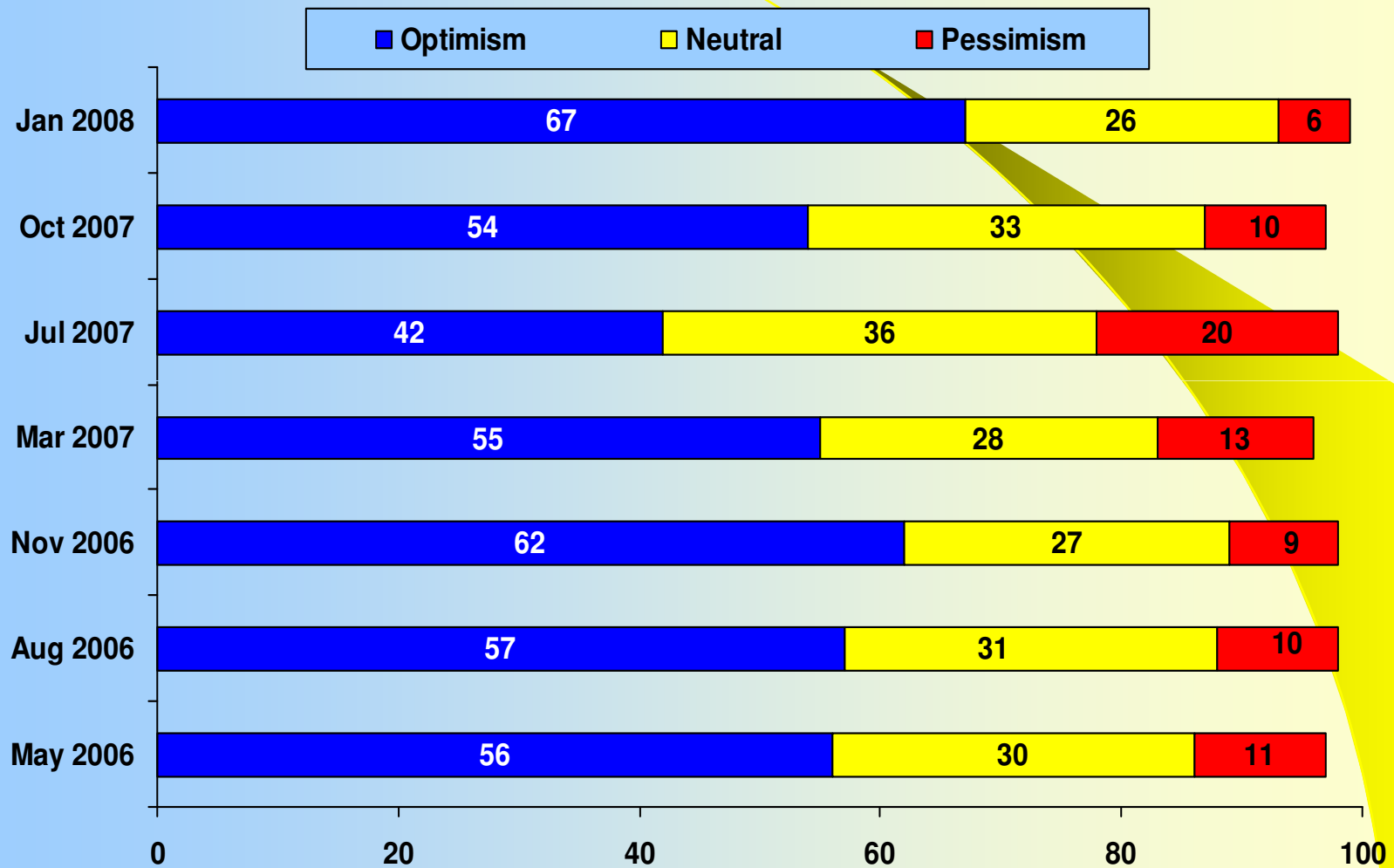
Do you believe that things will get better in Armenia in a short time, or will it take a long time for things to improve in the country?



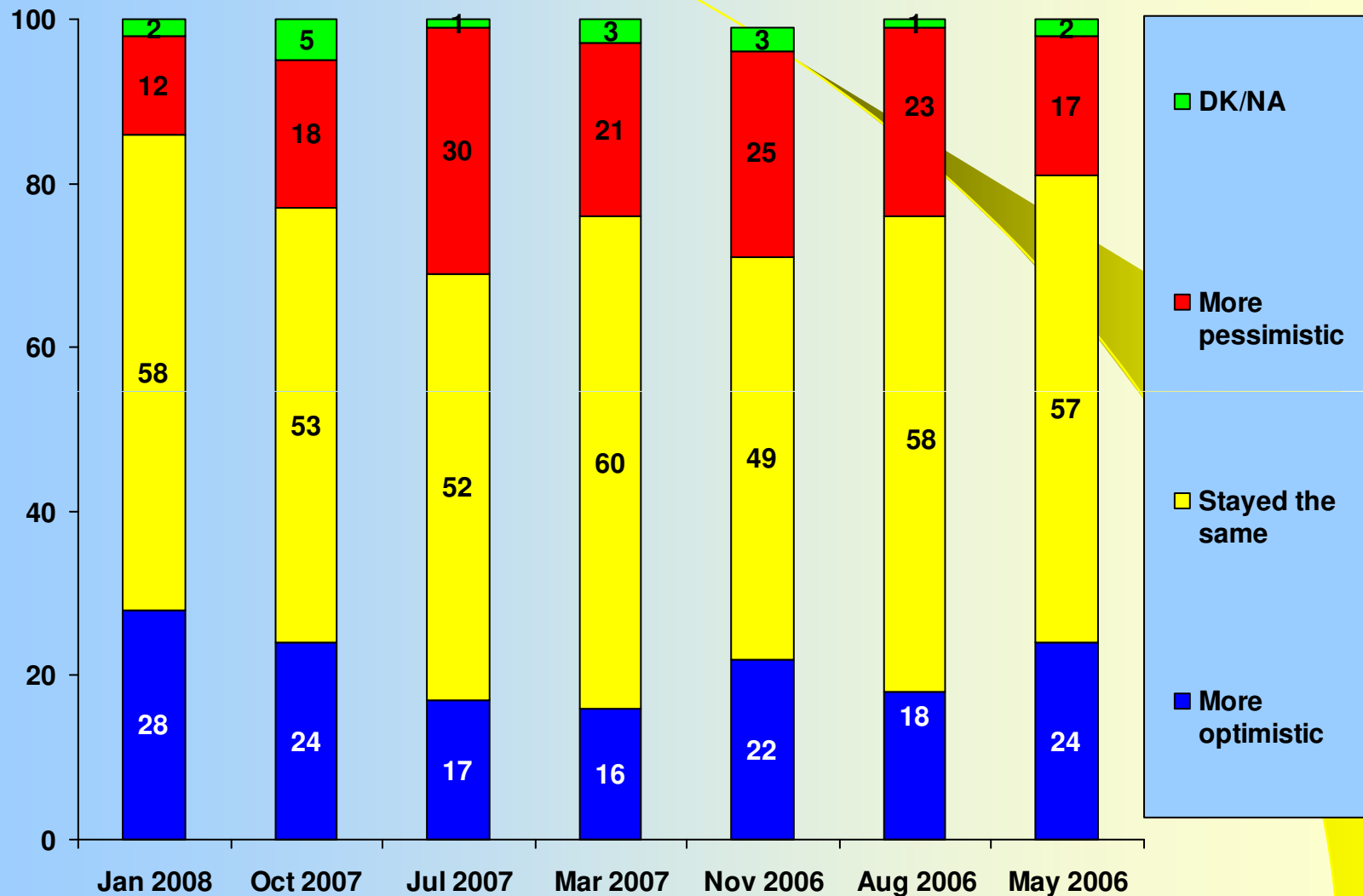
How would you evaluate the prevailing mood of the Armenian population?



Over the past year, has your attitude toward the way things are developing in the country become more optimistic, more pessimistic, or remained the same?

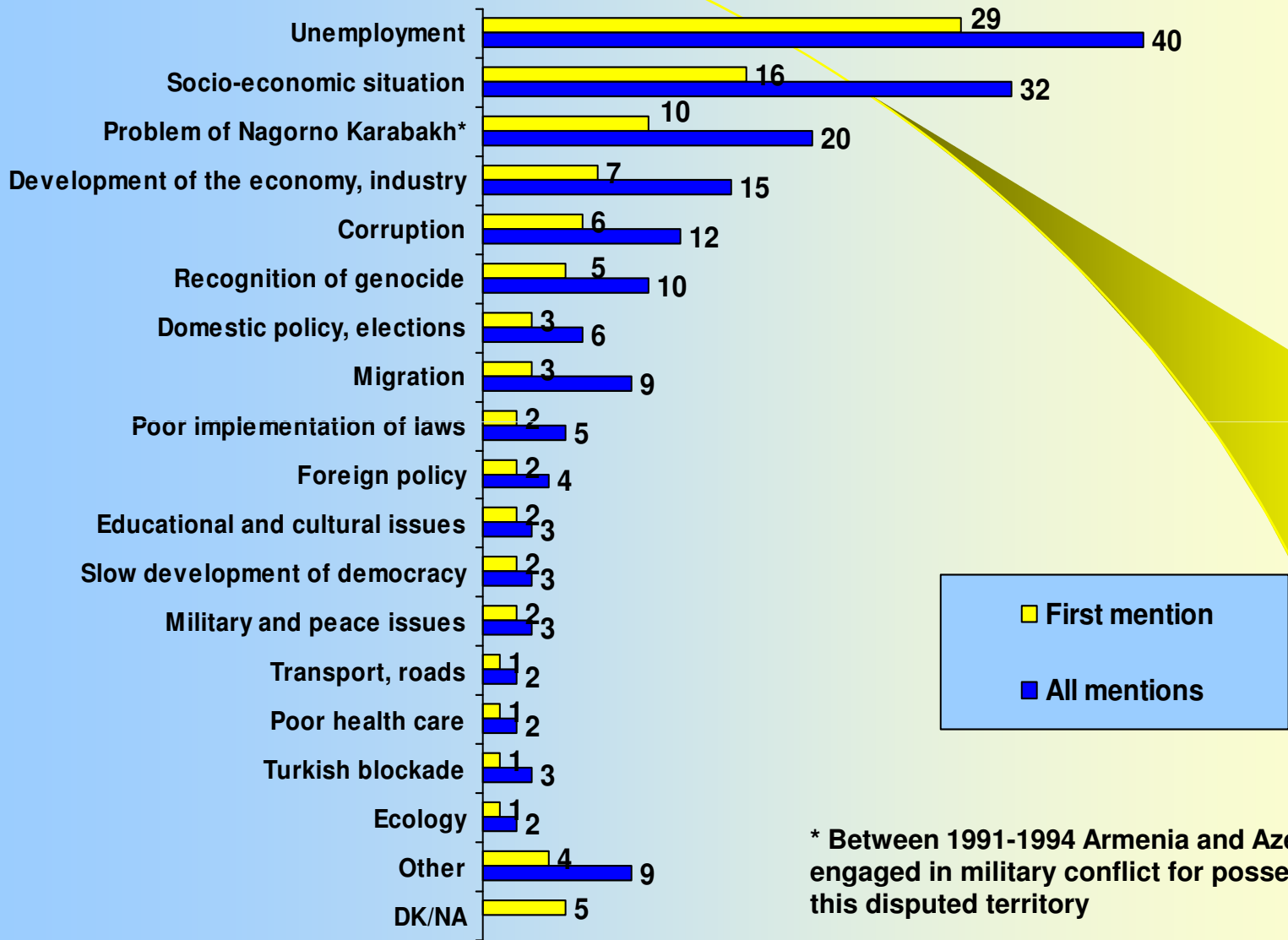


Over the last year, your attitude towards the way things are developing in Armenia has become...?



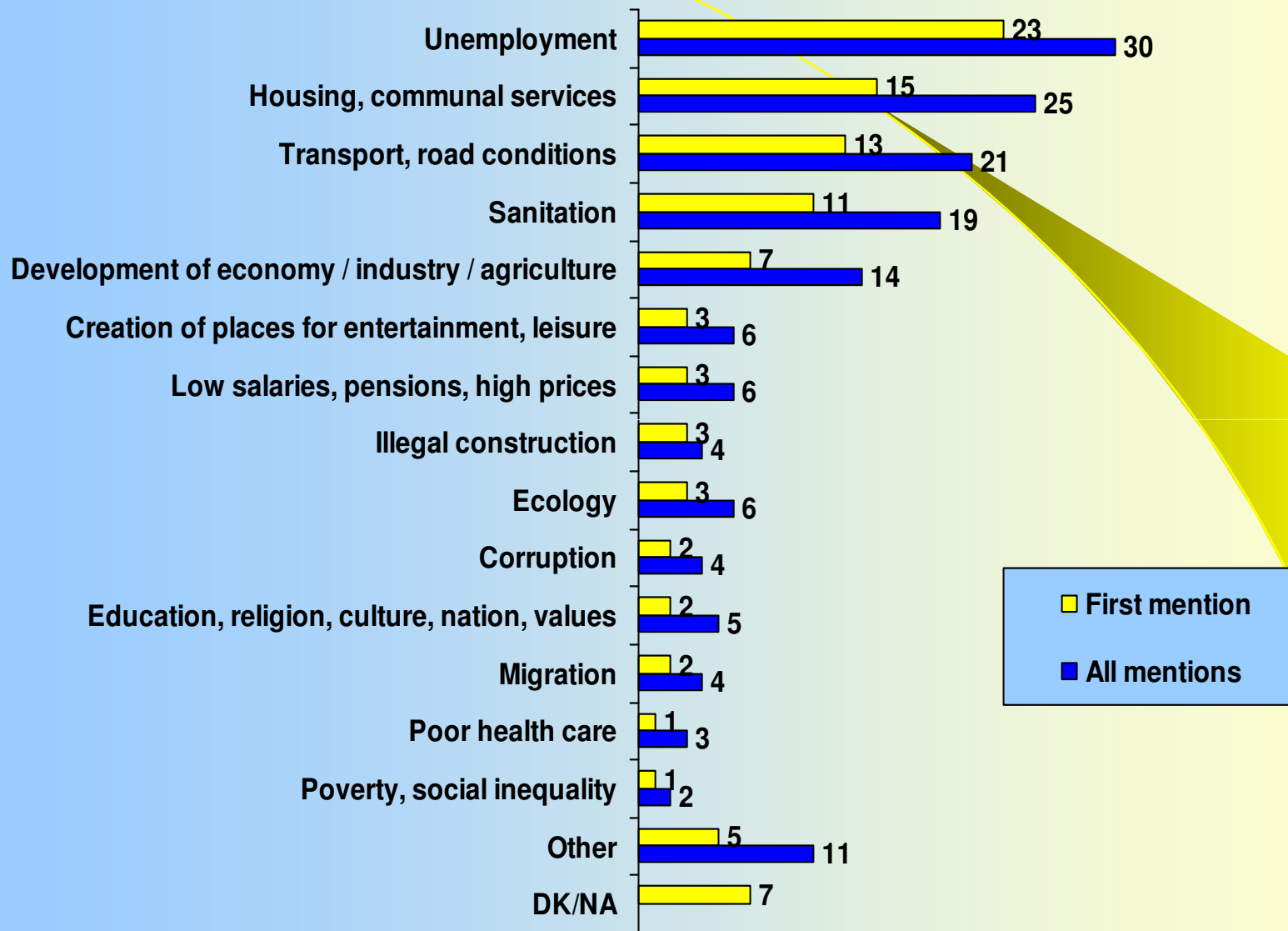
ISSUES

What are the main problems that Armenia is facing at the moment?

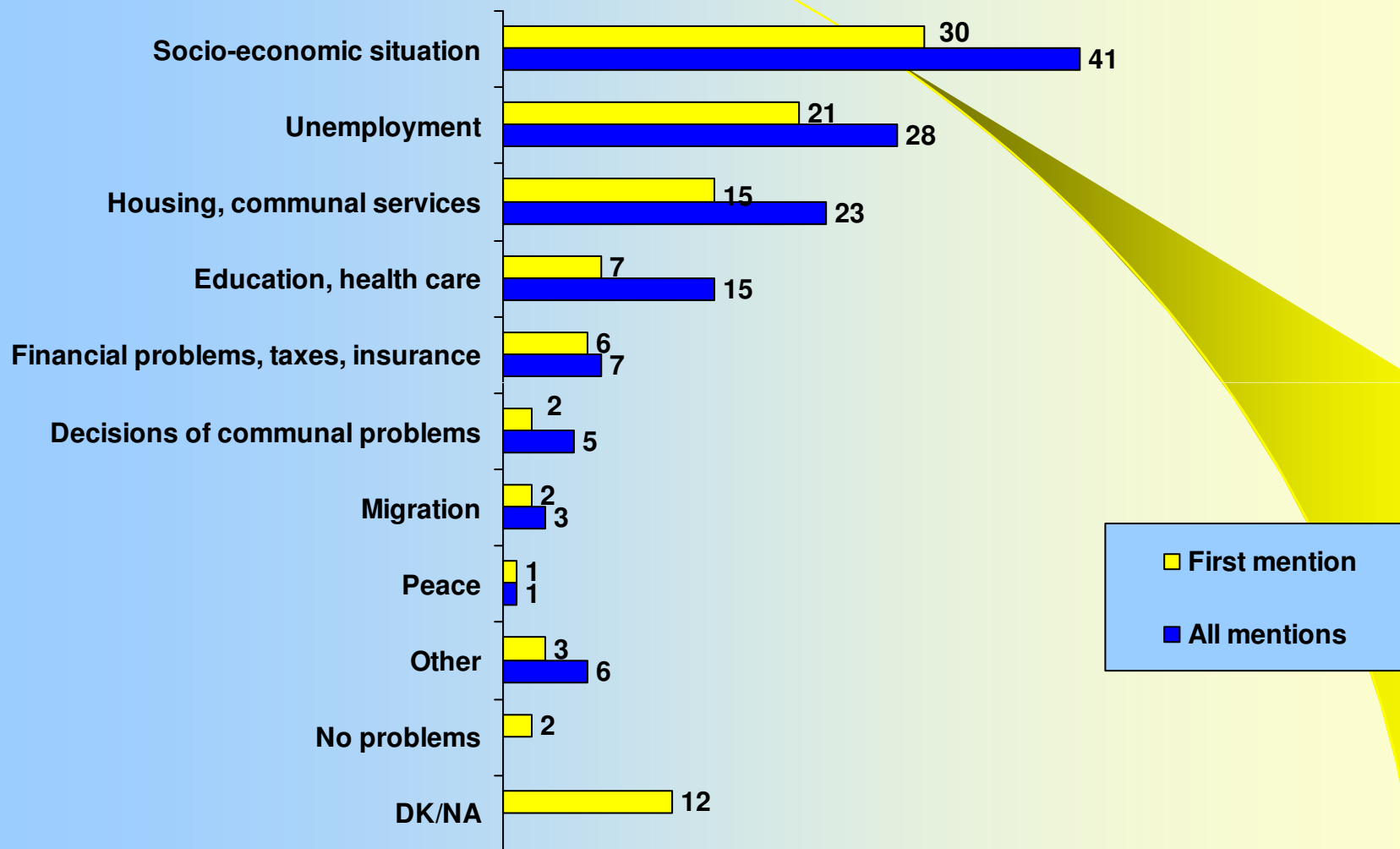


* Between 1991-1994 Armenia and Azerbaijan engaged in military conflict for possession of this disputed territory

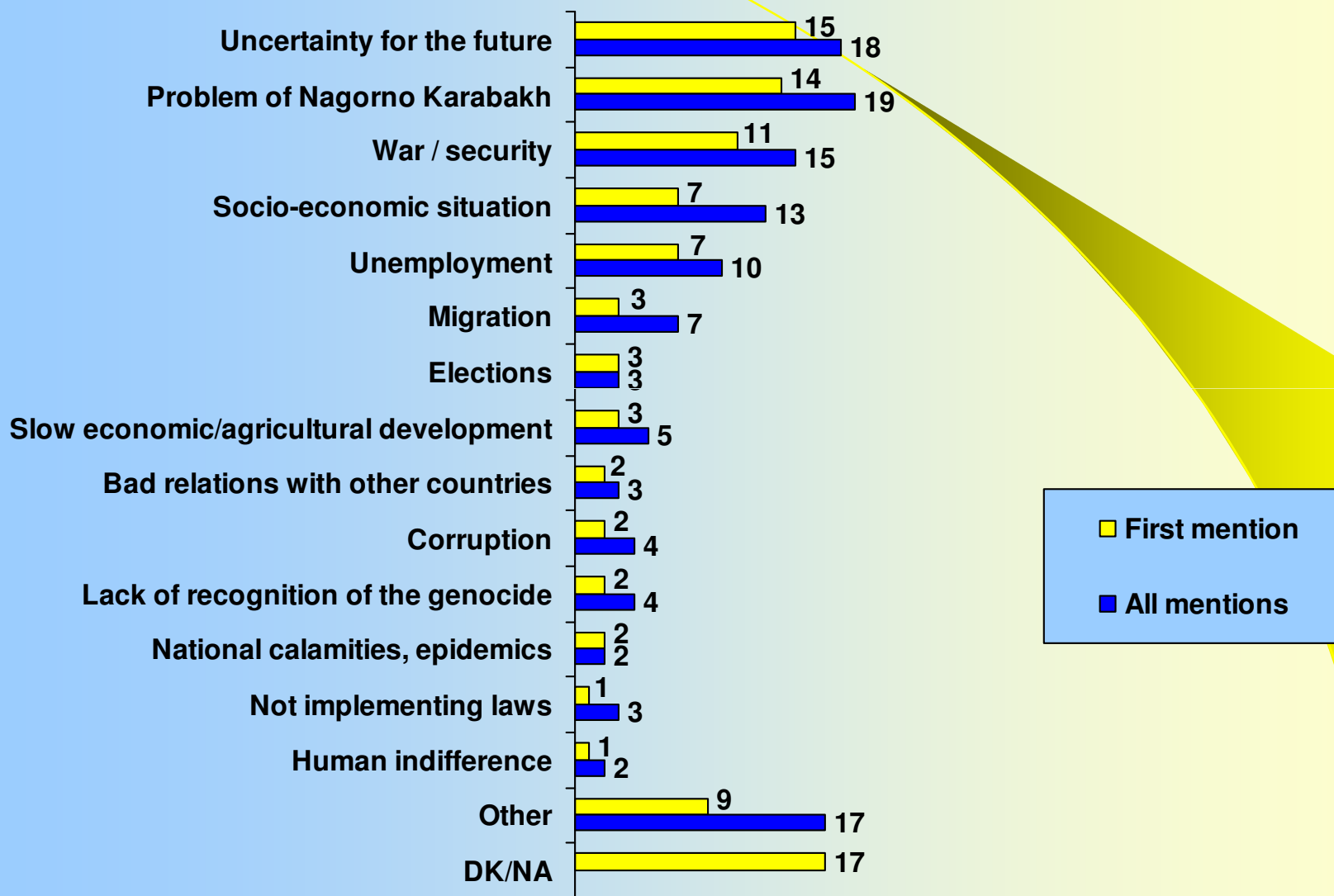
What are three main problems your town/village is facing at the moment?



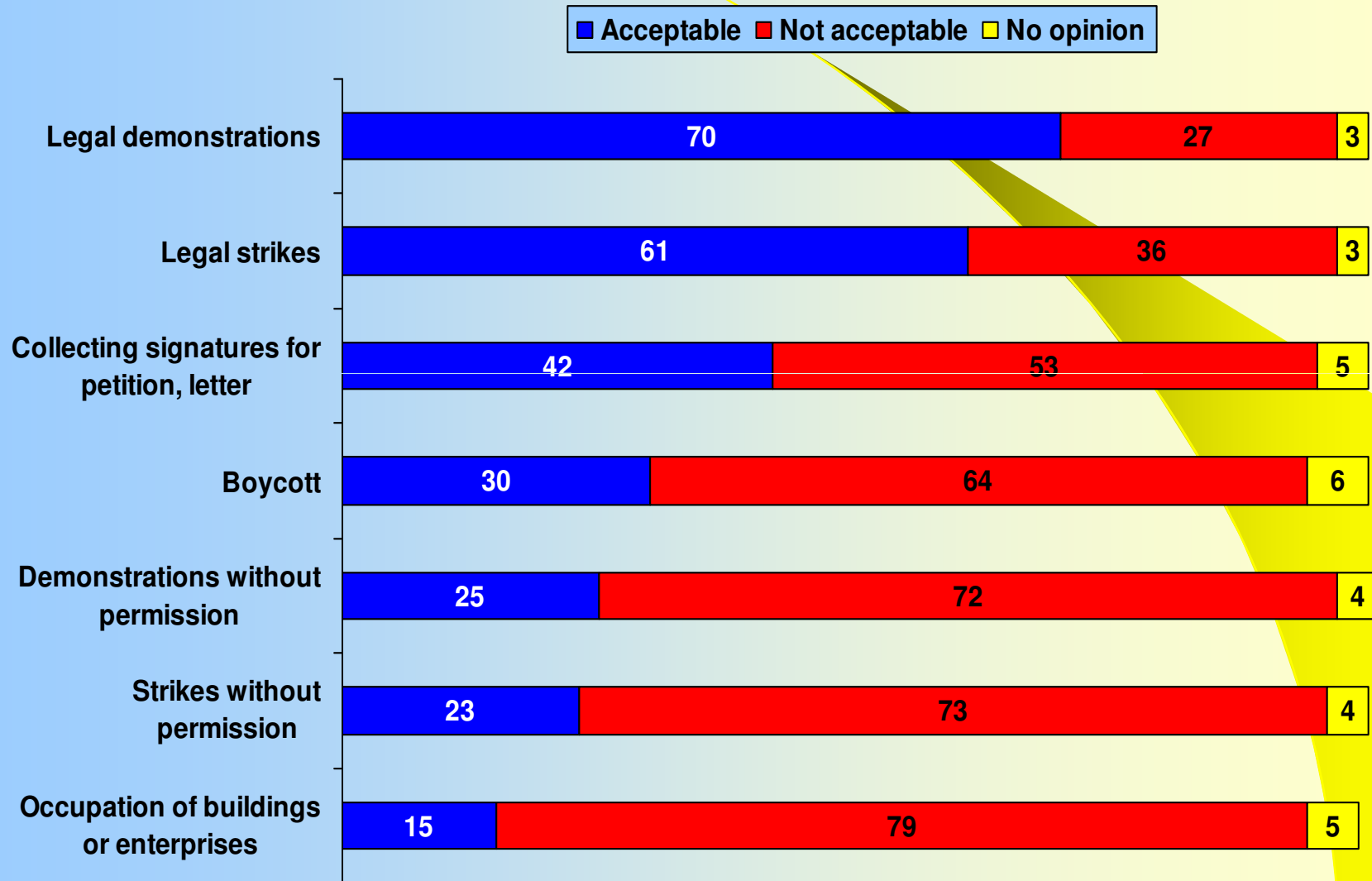
What are the three most important problems for you and your household members?



Thinking about the current situation and future of your country, what are the three things that you are most afraid of?

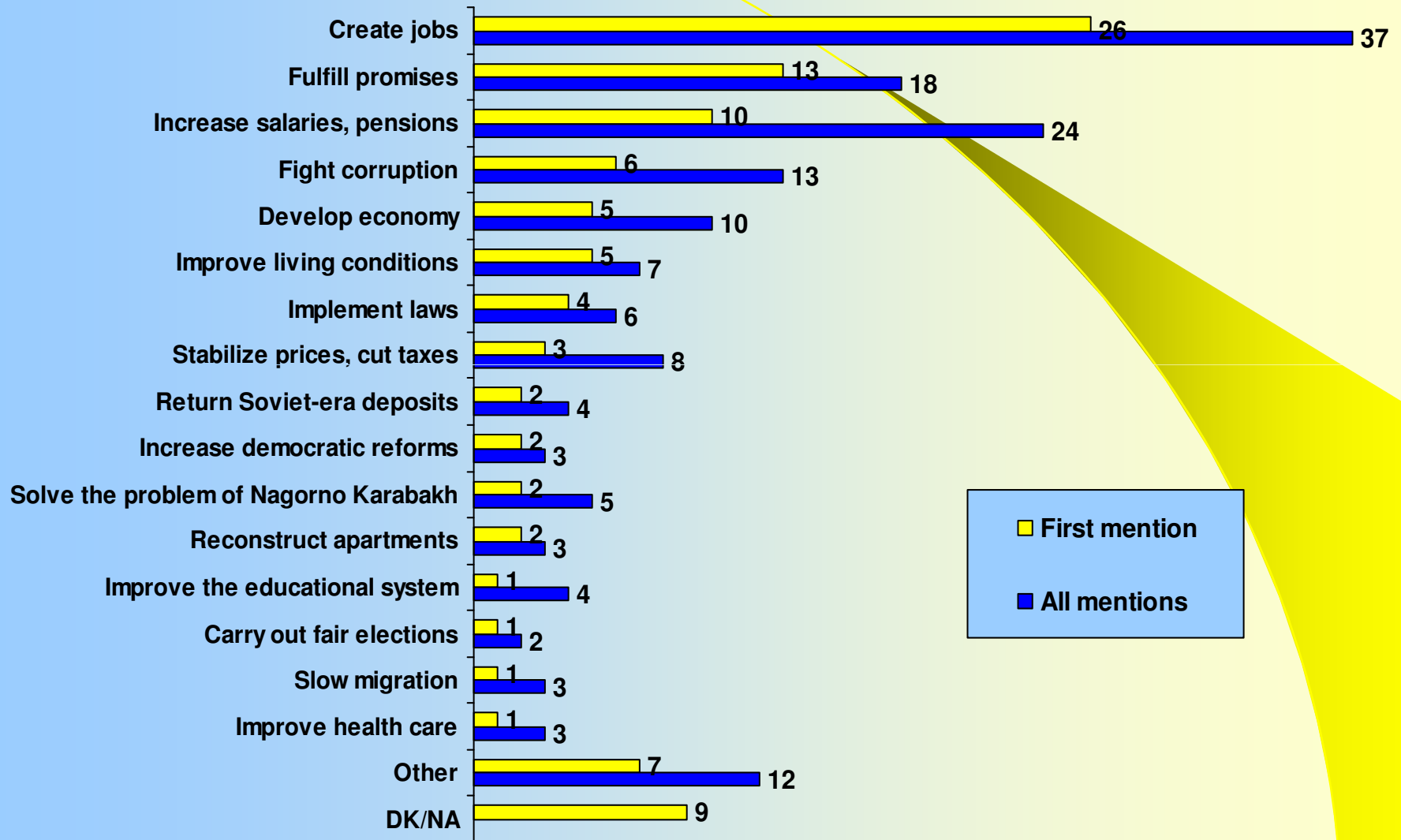


Do you think it is acceptable for some groups to use the following methods of protest?

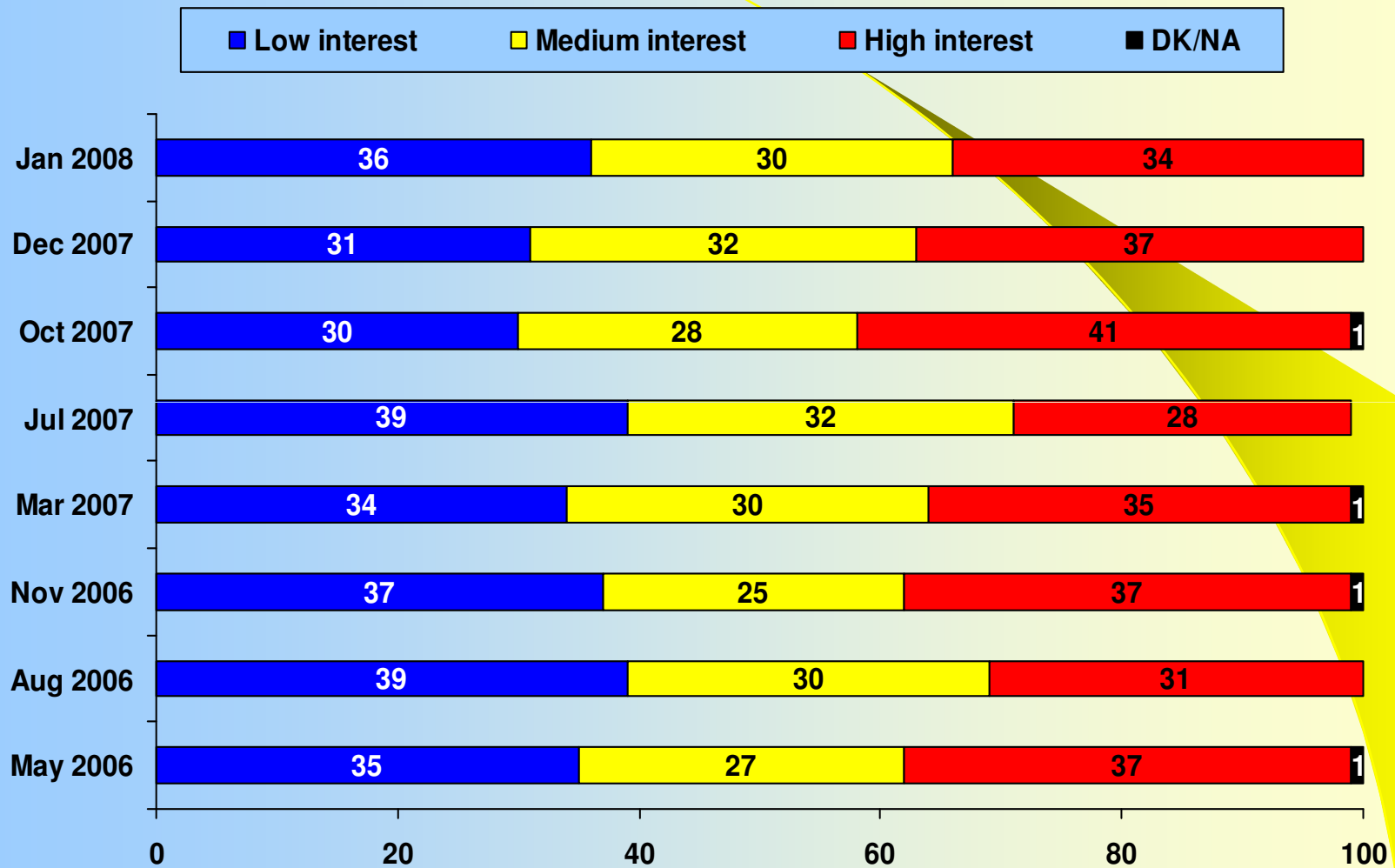


POLITICS

What should the Armenian government accomplish first to attract the support of the majority of the Armenian population?

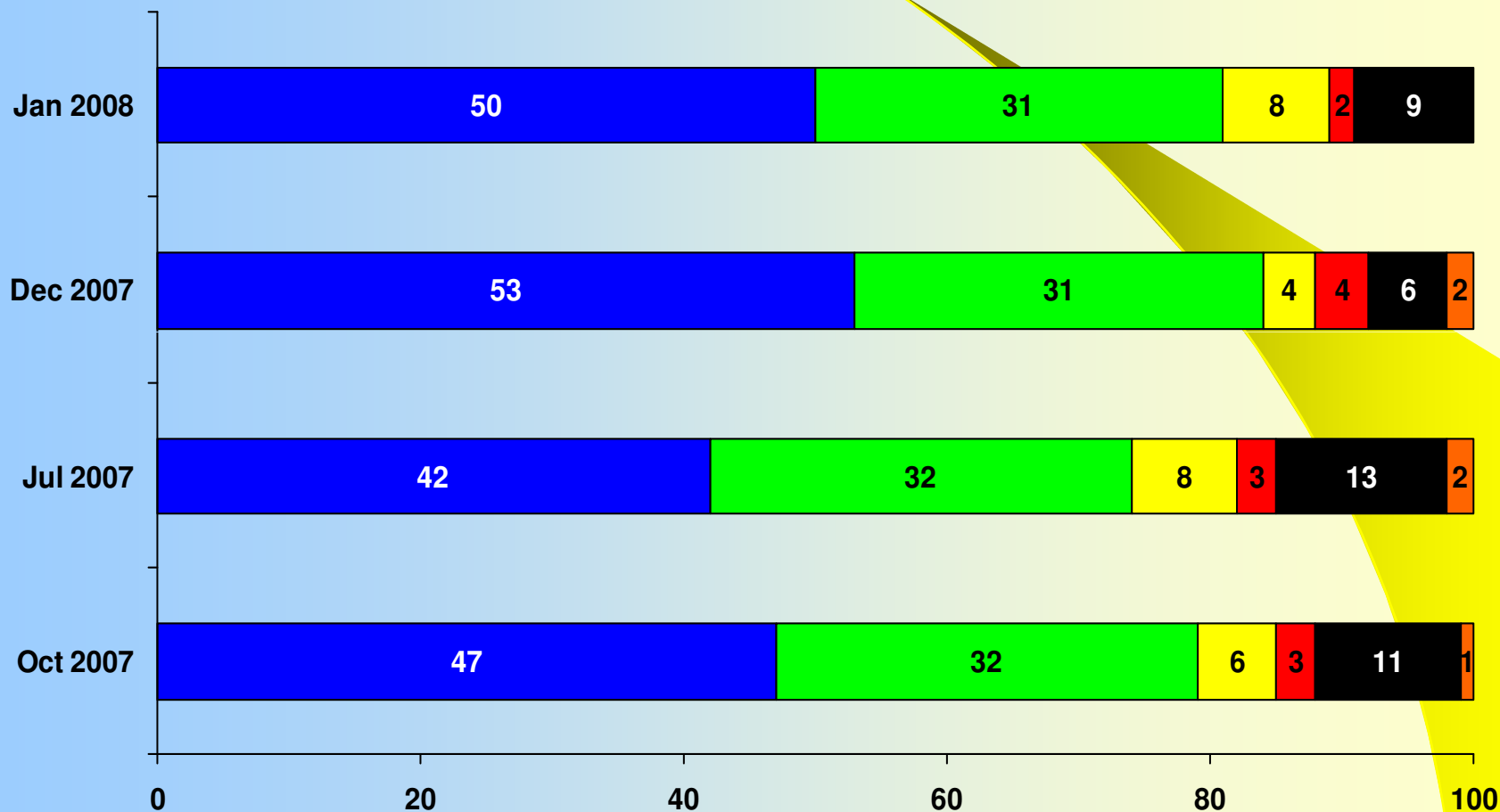


How much interest do you have in politics?

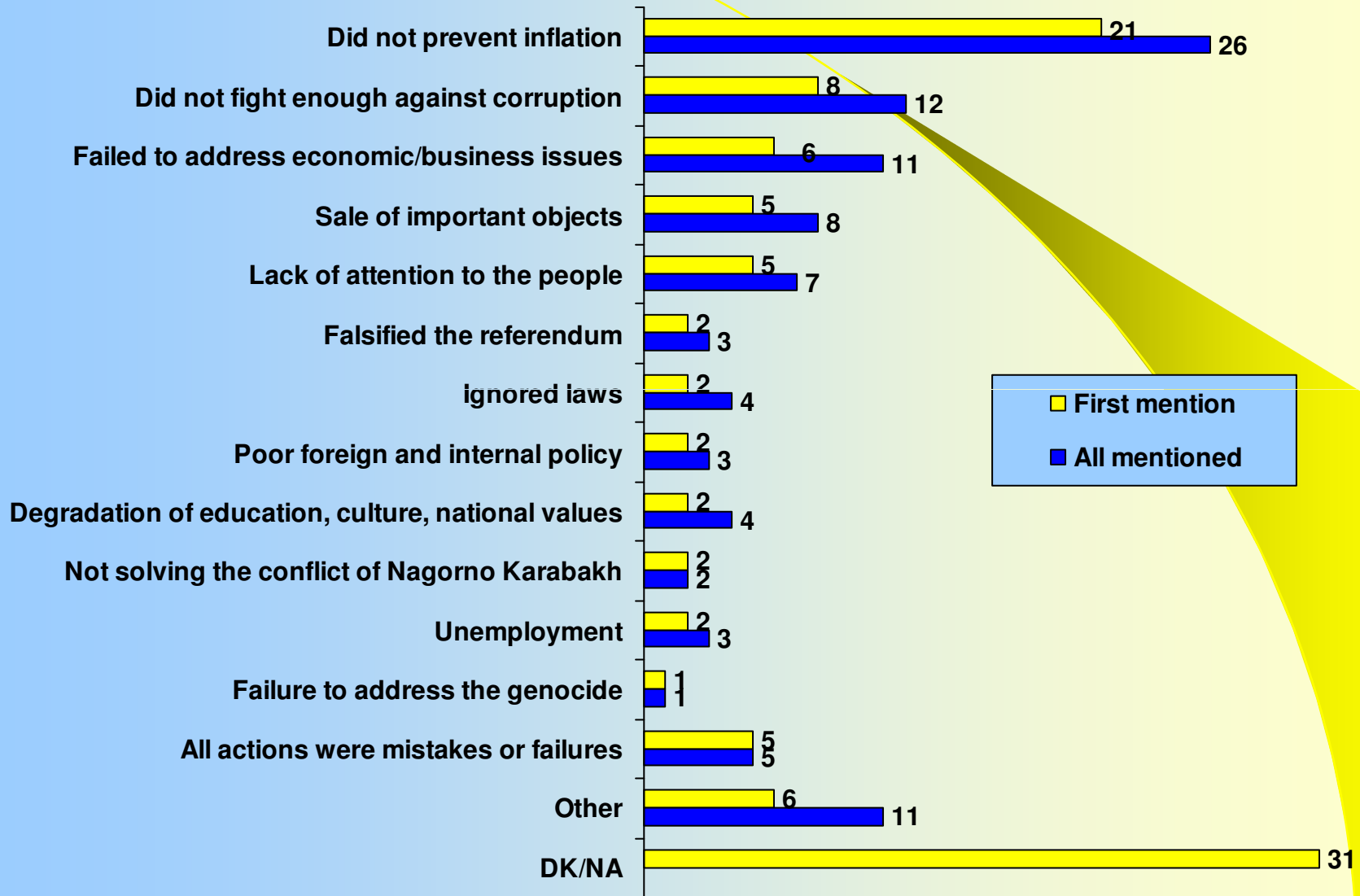


Do you plan on voting in the next presidential election?

■ Definitely yes ■ Probably yes ■ Probably no ■ Definitely no ■ Have not decided yet ■ DK/NA

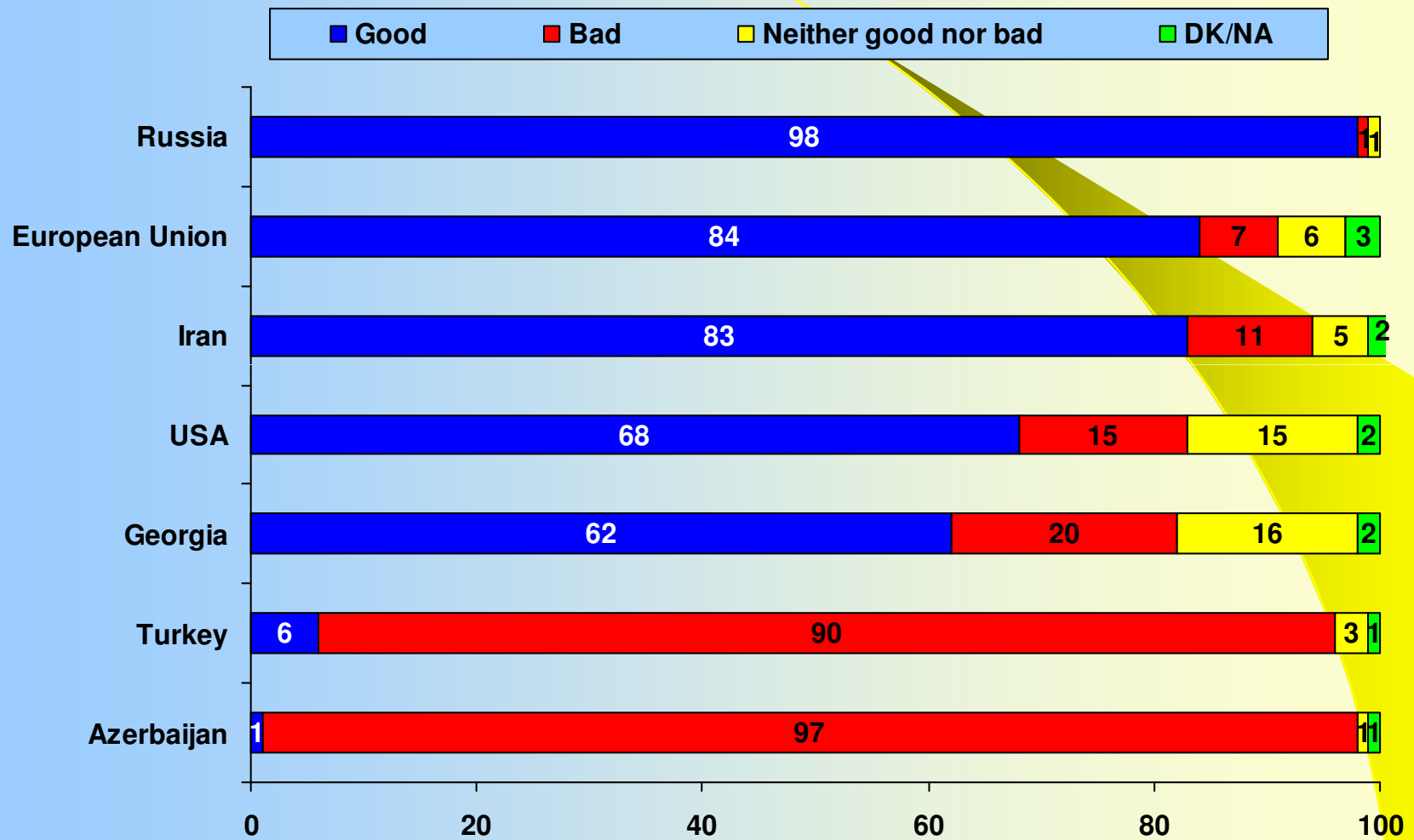


What were the major mistakes and failures of the Armenian authorities over the last year?

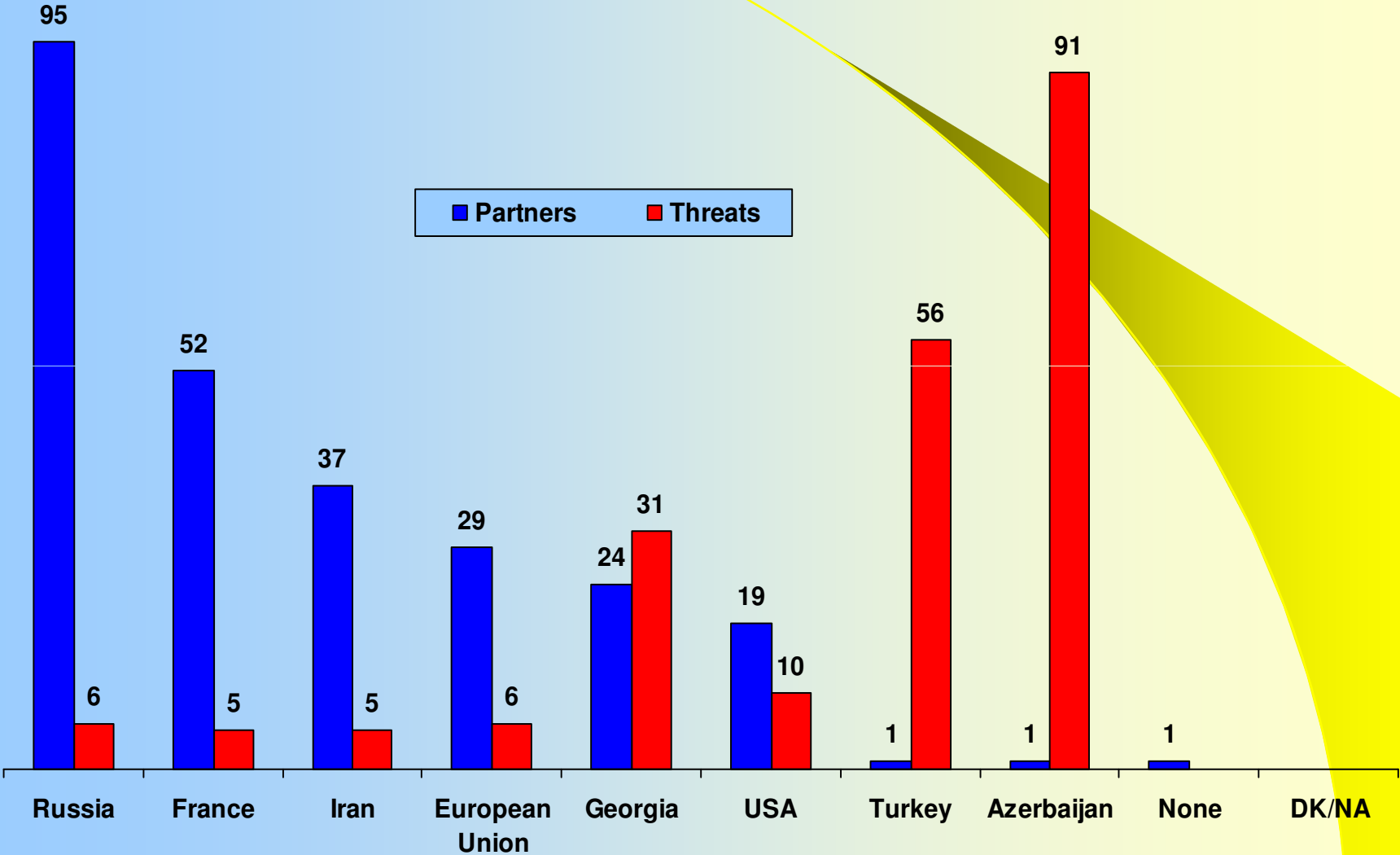


INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

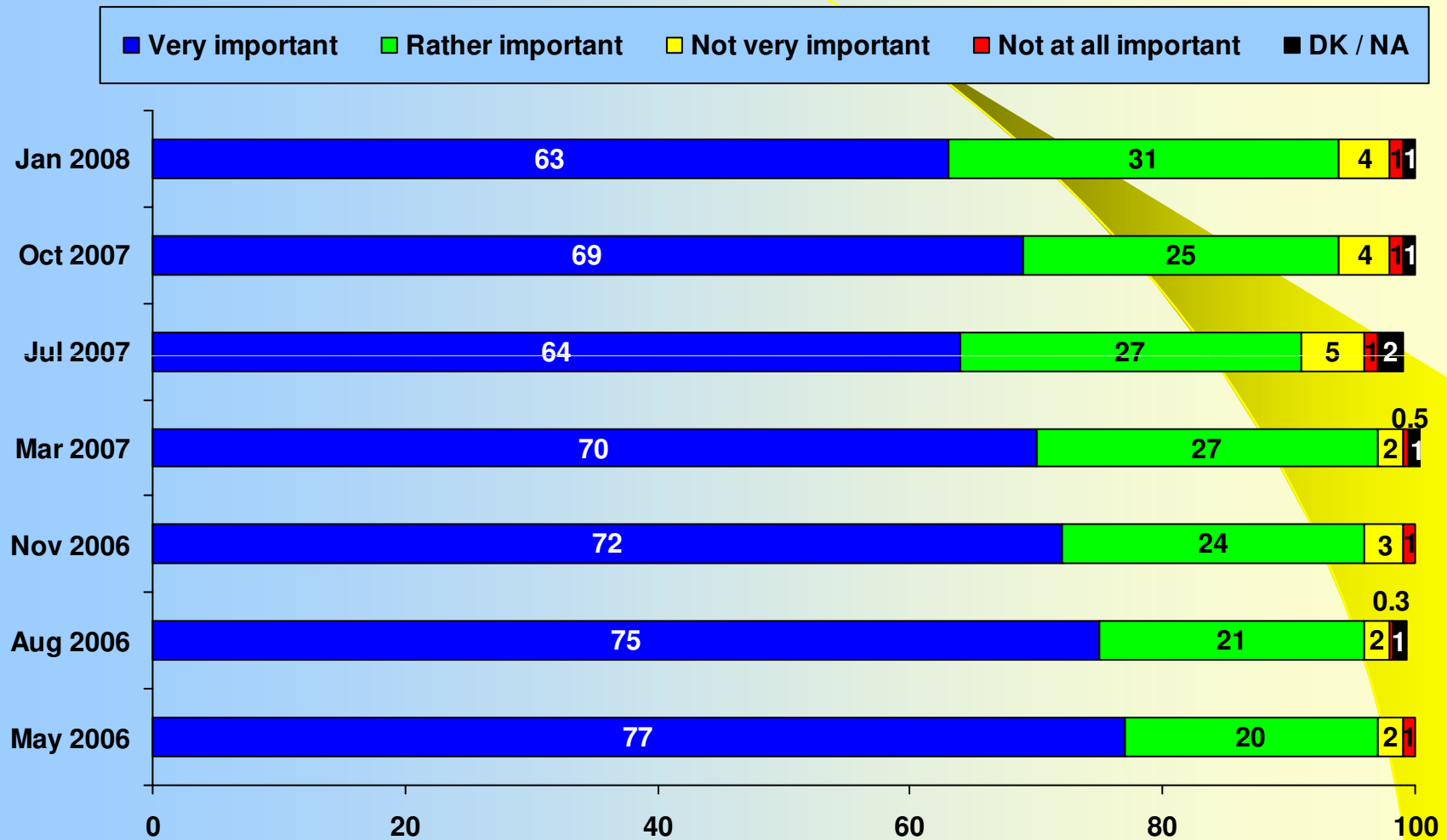
How would you evaluate the current state of relations between Armenia and...?



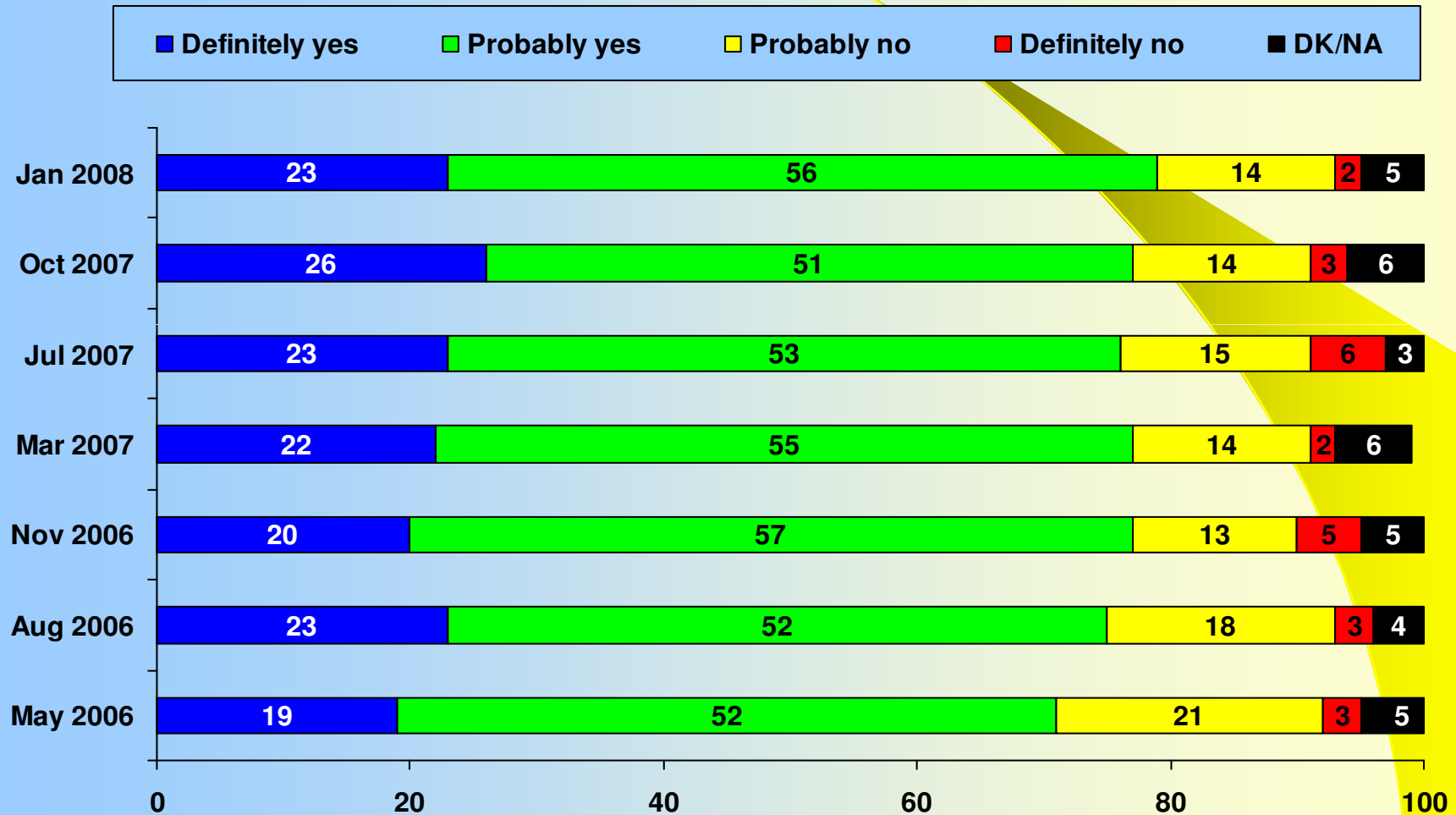
Which countries are the most important partners for Armenia? Which comprises the greatest political and economic threat?



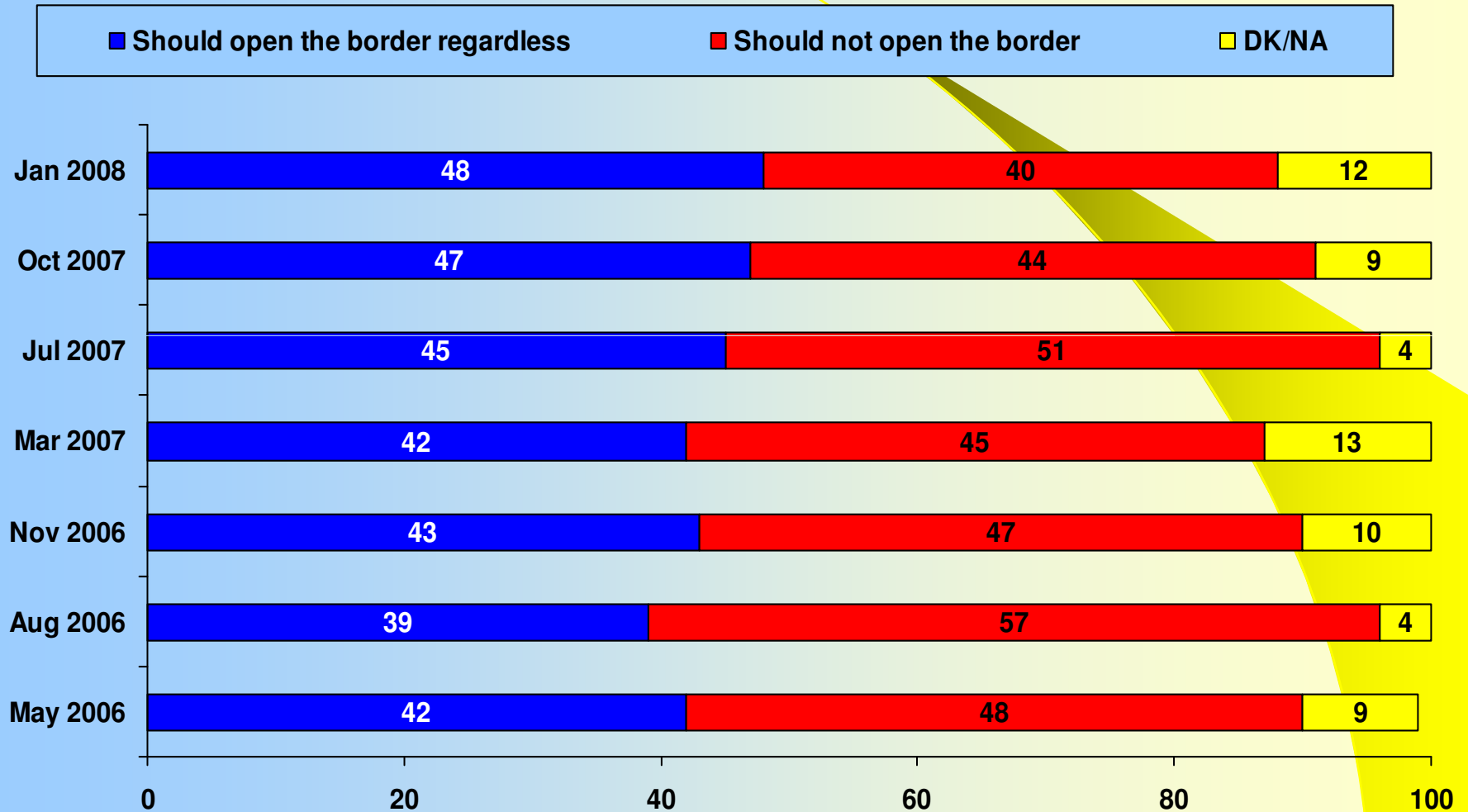
How important is it for Armenia to solve the problems related to Nagorno Karabakh in the near future?



Do you think that a peaceful settlement on Nagorno Karabakh can be reached with Azerbaijan without military force being used?

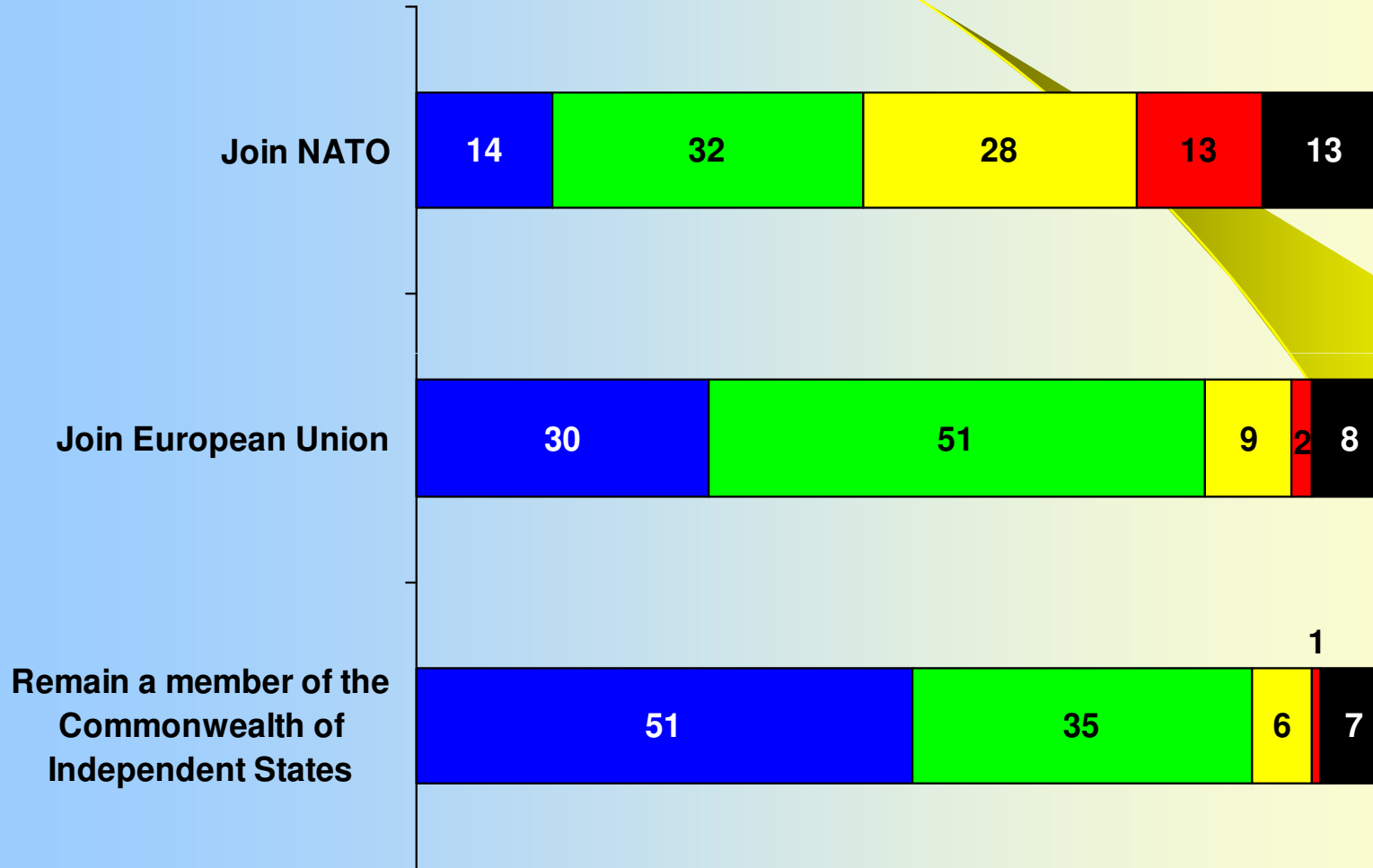


Should the government of Armenia agree to open the border with Turkey even if the Turkish government does not recognize the genocide?



In your opinion, should Armenia in the future...?

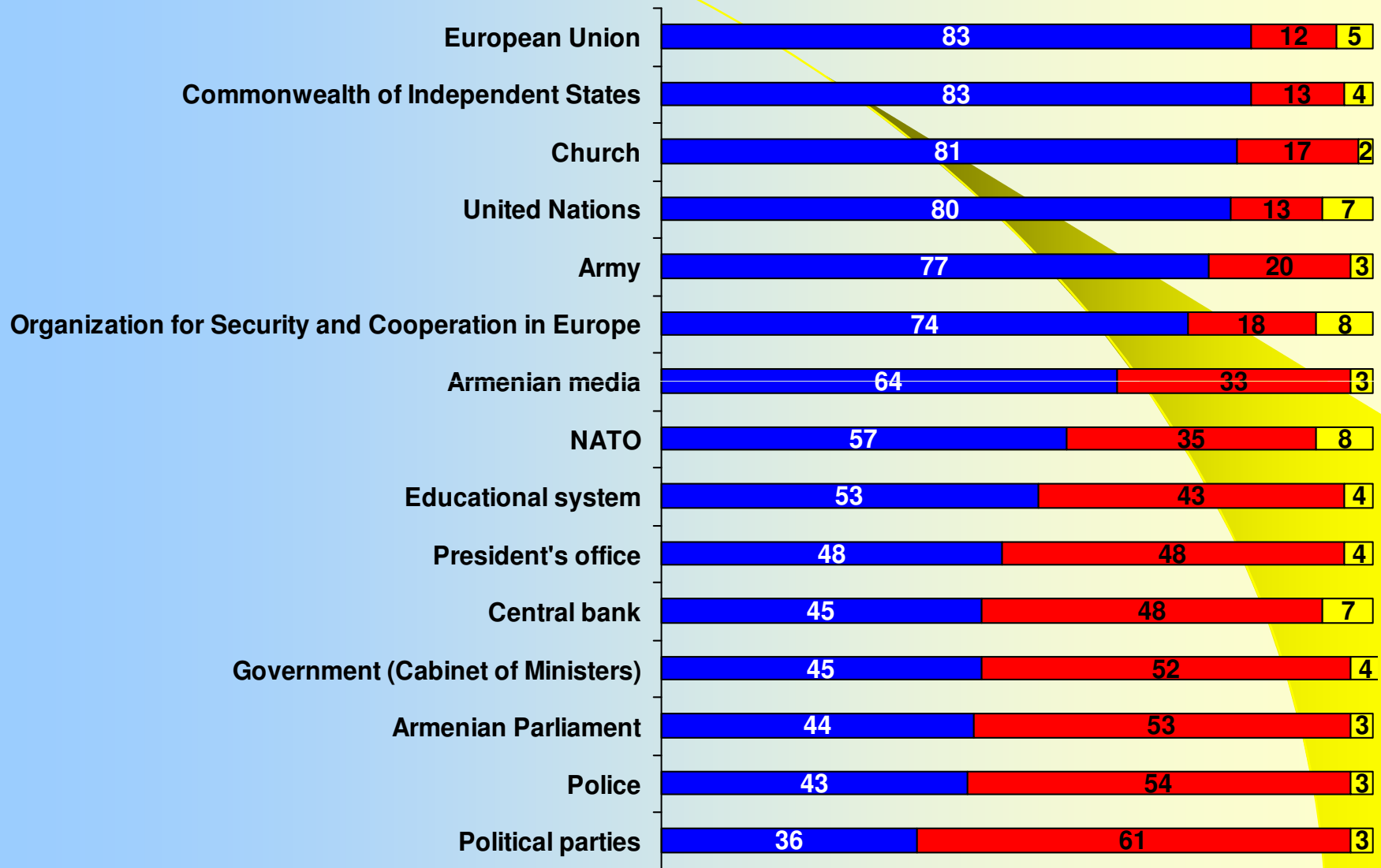
■ Definitely yes ■ Probably yes ■ Probably no ■ Definitely no ■ DK/NA



INSTITUTIONS

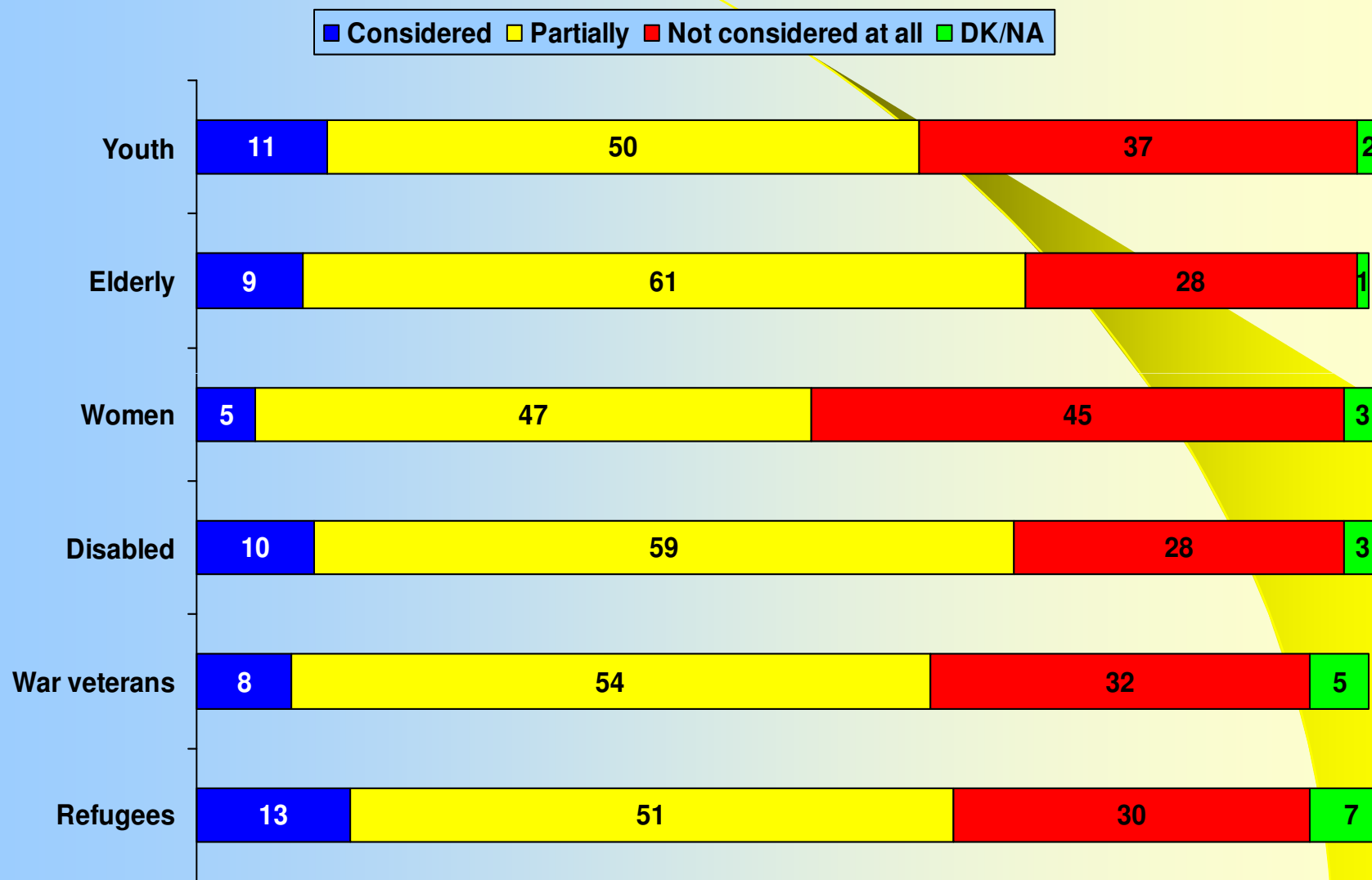
What is your opinion about the work of each of these institutions?

■ Favorable ■ Unfavorable ■ No opinion

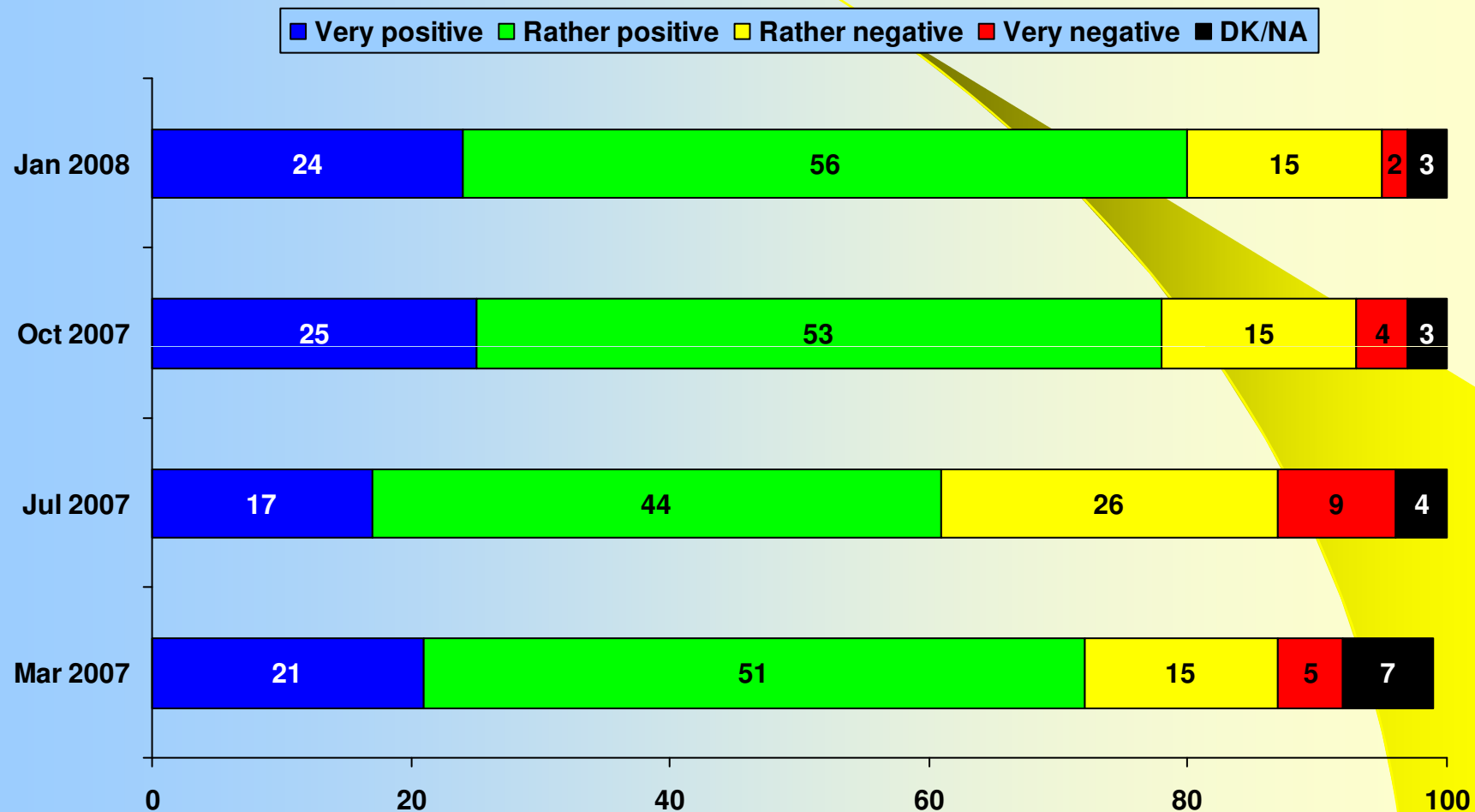


SITUATION OF SOCIAL GROUPS IN ARMENIA

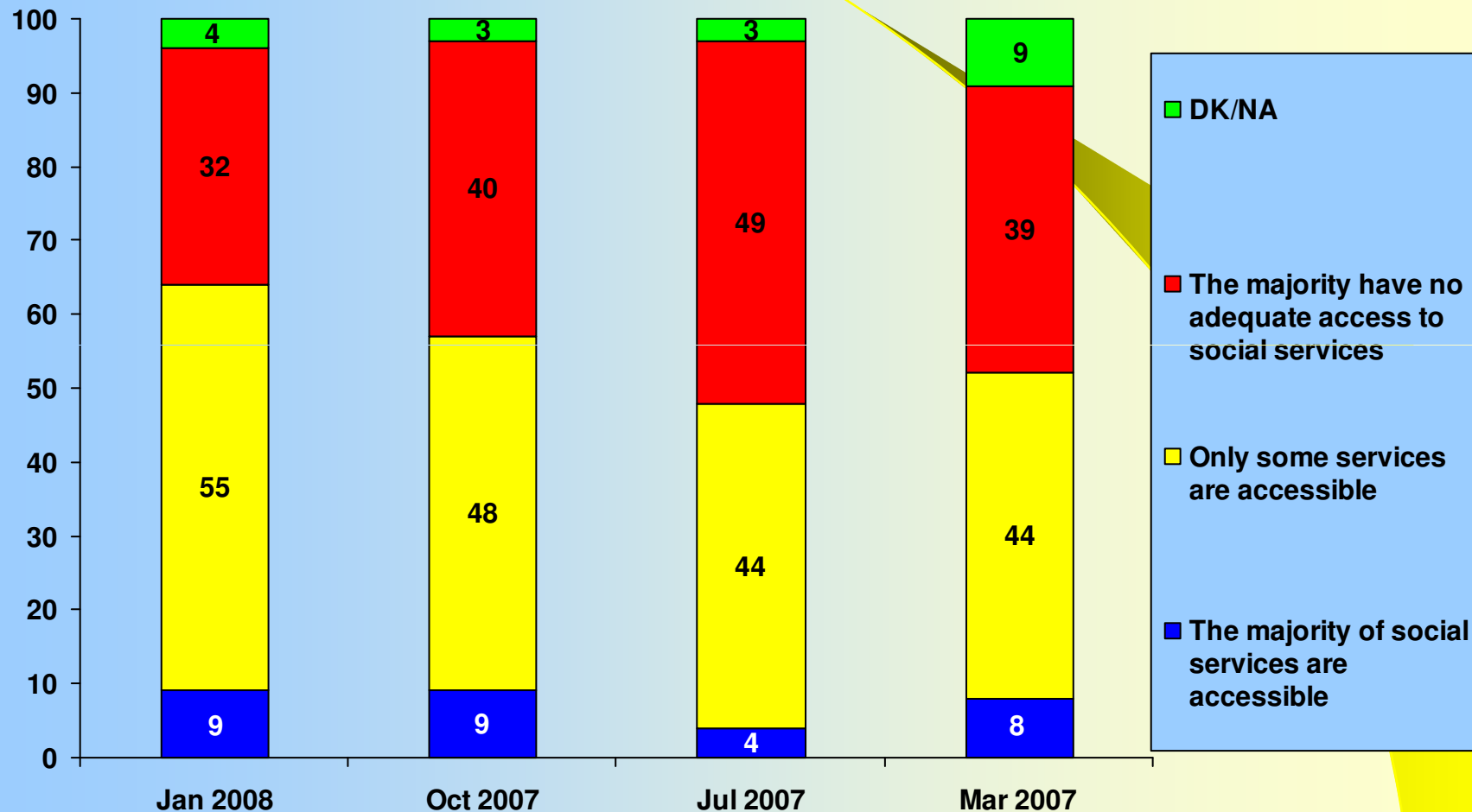
Are the needs of the following social groups considered in Armenia?



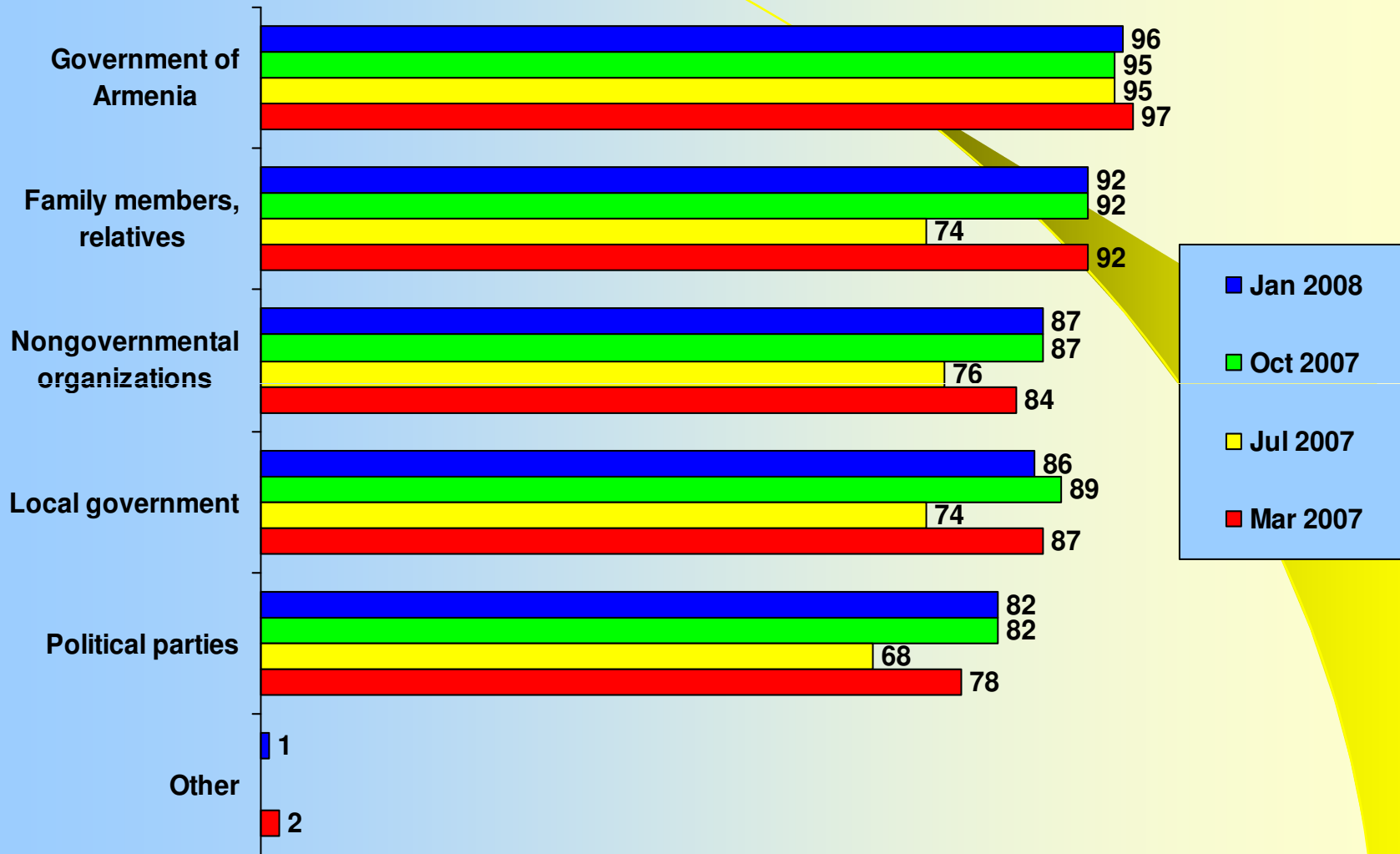
What is the prevailing attitude of the Armenian population towards disabled persons in Armenia?



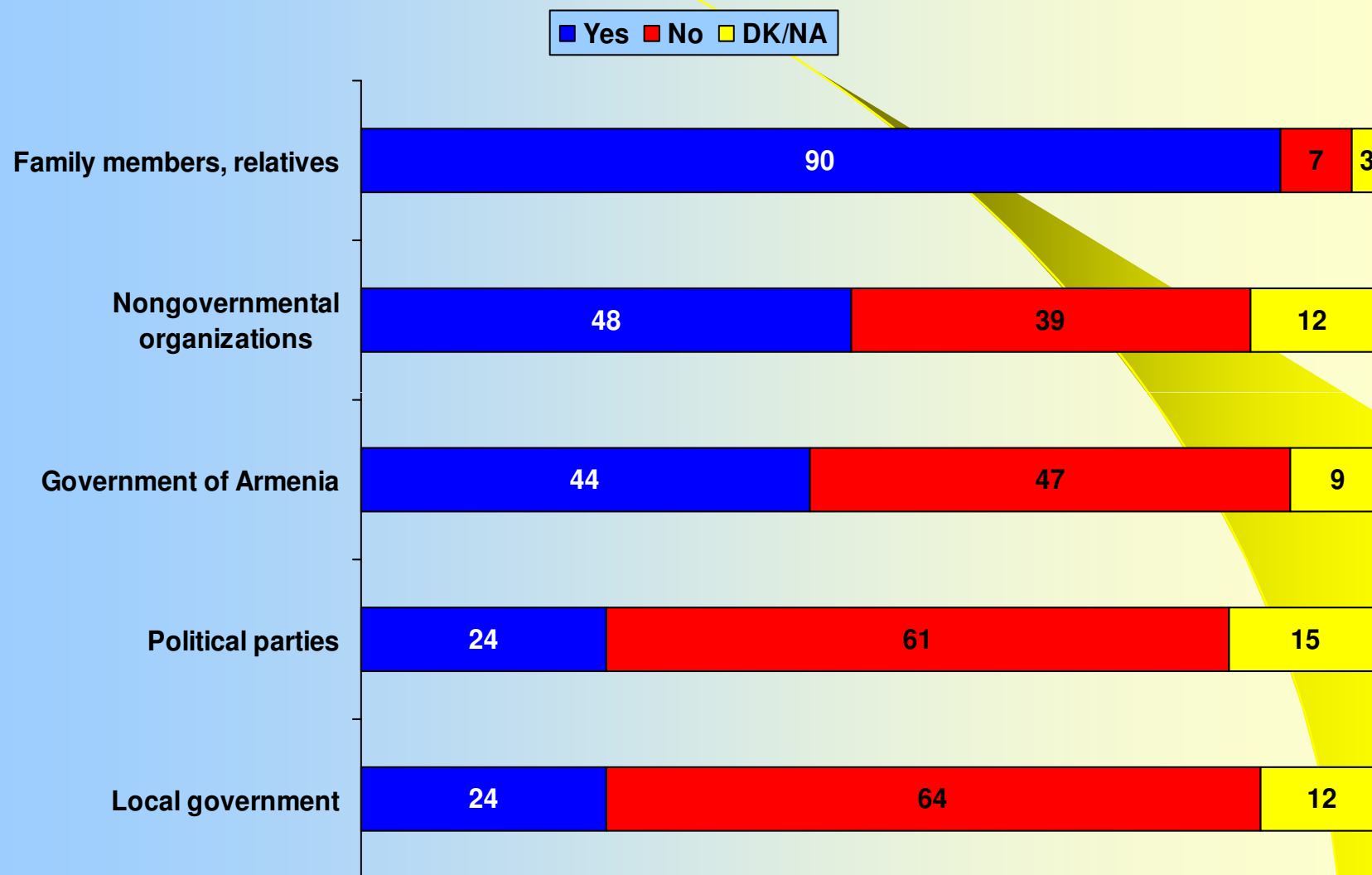
In your opinion, do disabled people in Armenia have adequate access to social services?



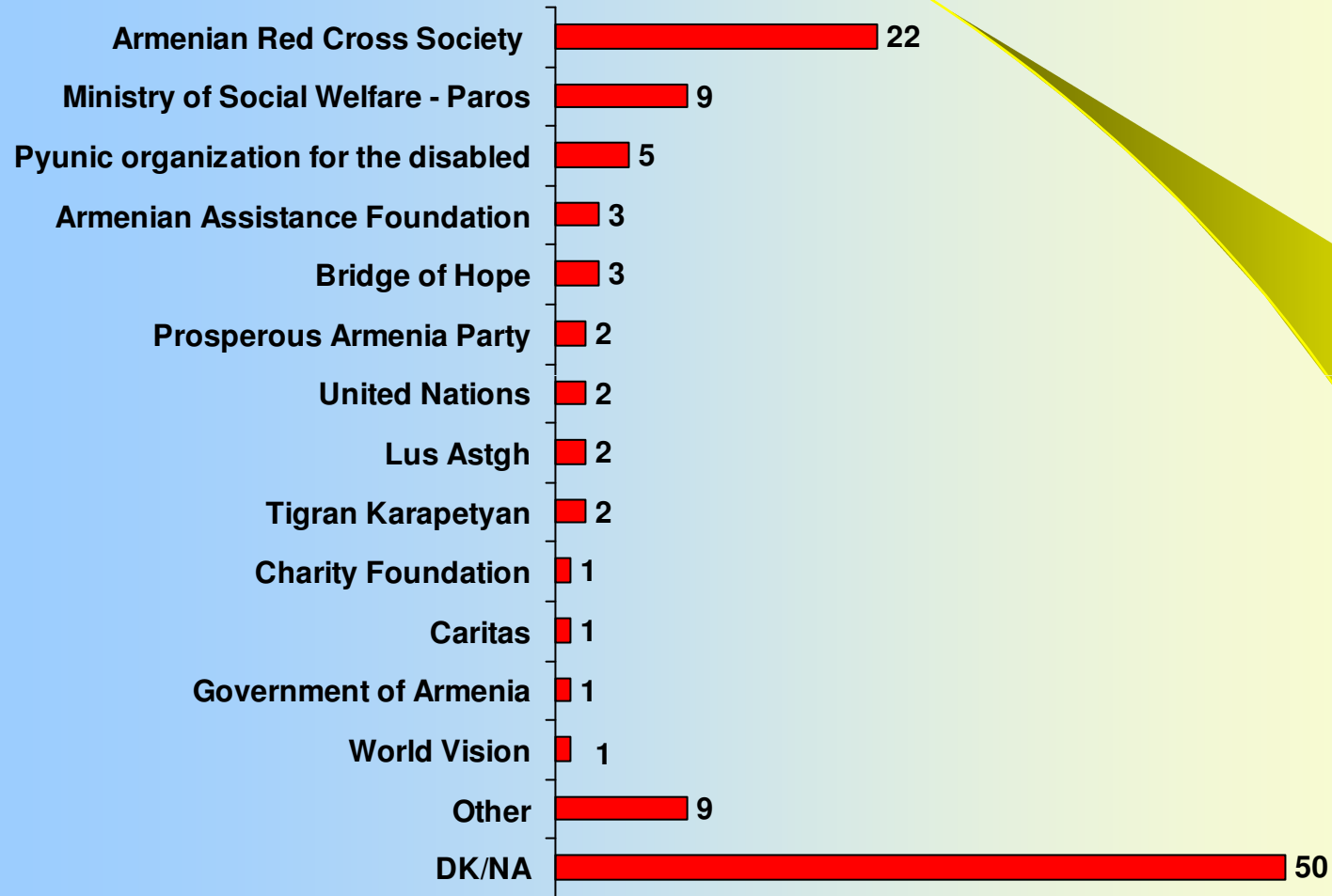
Who should be responsible for solving the problems of the disabled and caring for their needs?



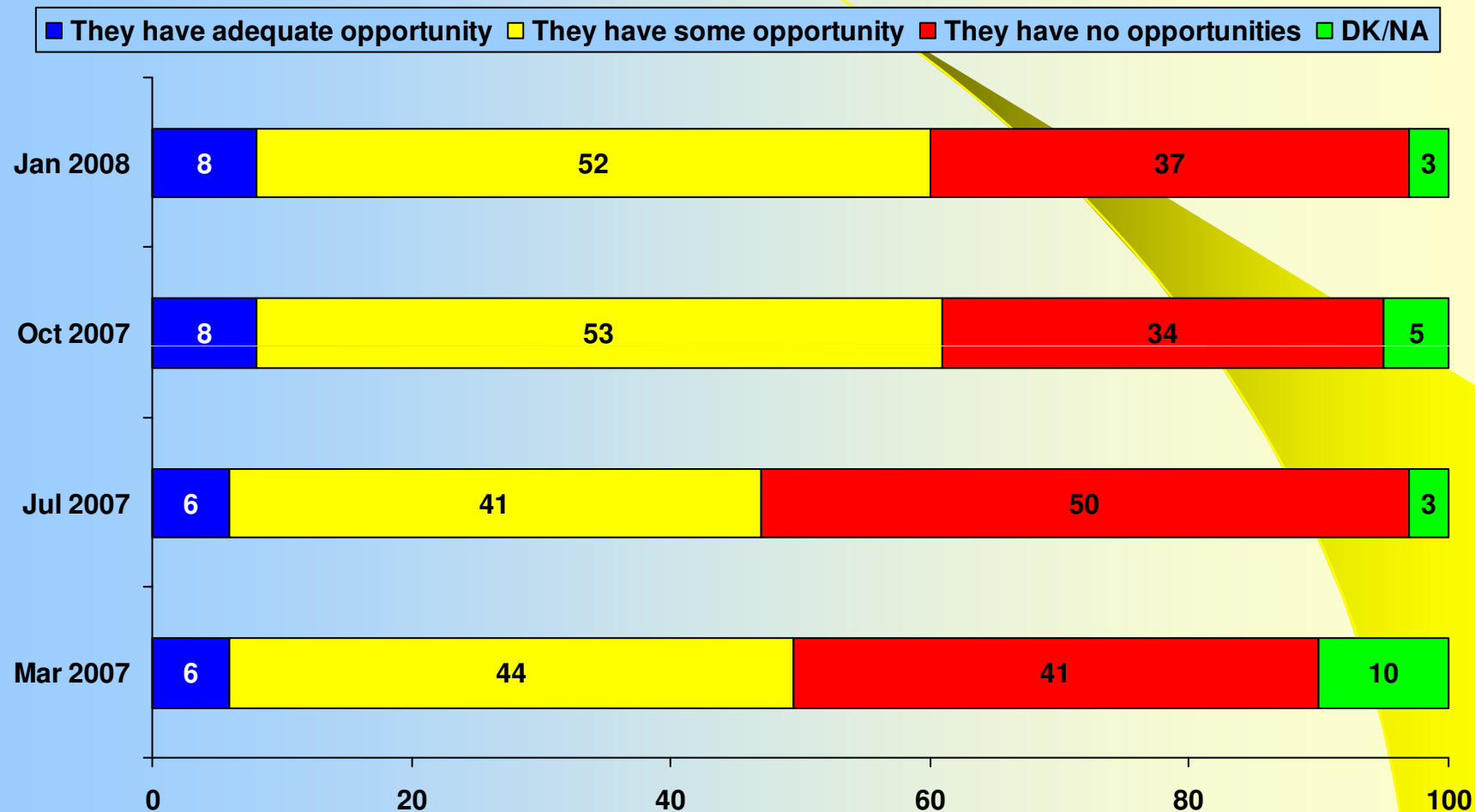
Which of the following take care of the needs and problems of disabled people in Armenia?



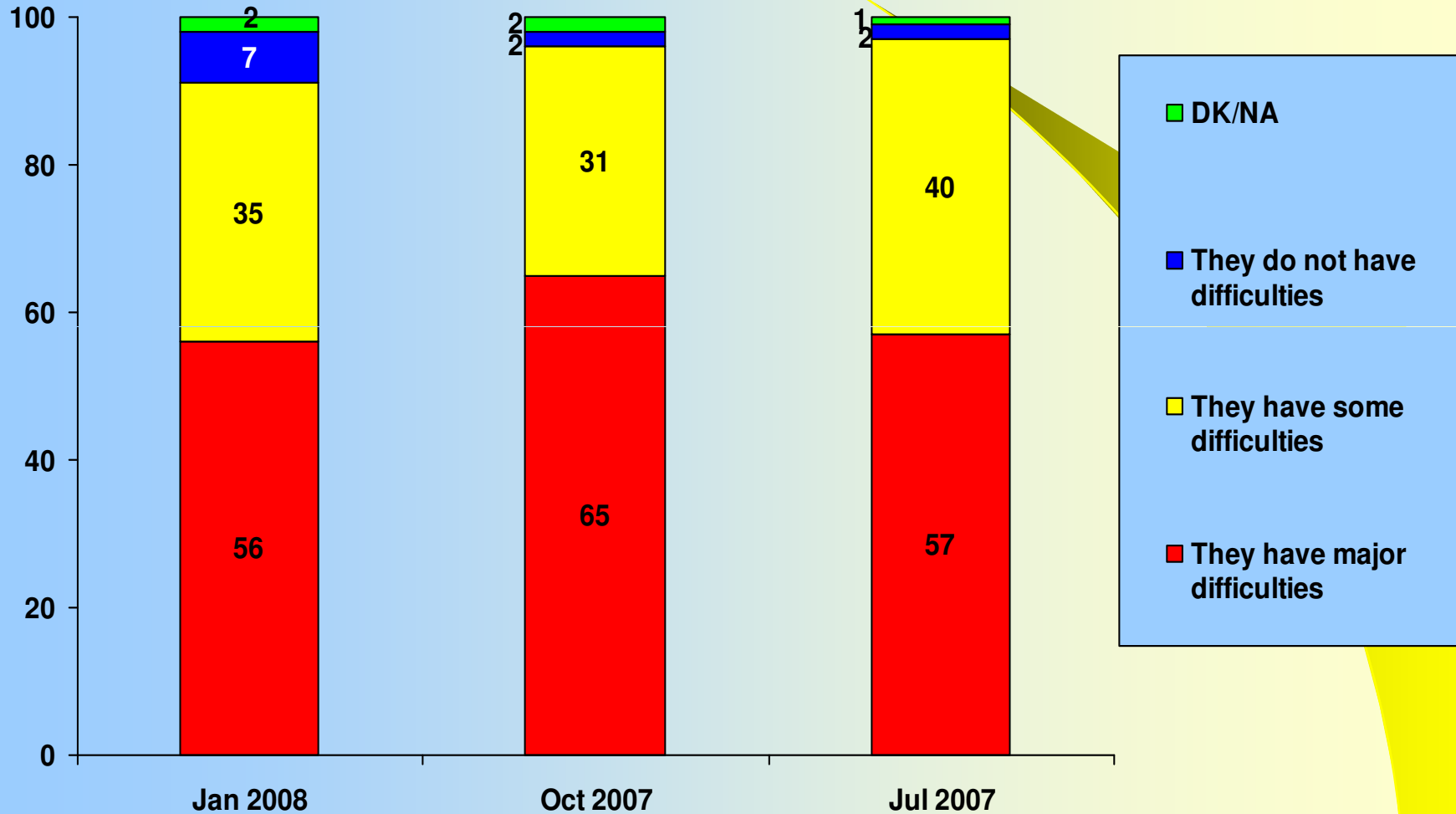
Which institutions, organizations, or nongovernmental organizations care about the needs and problems of disabled people in Armenia?



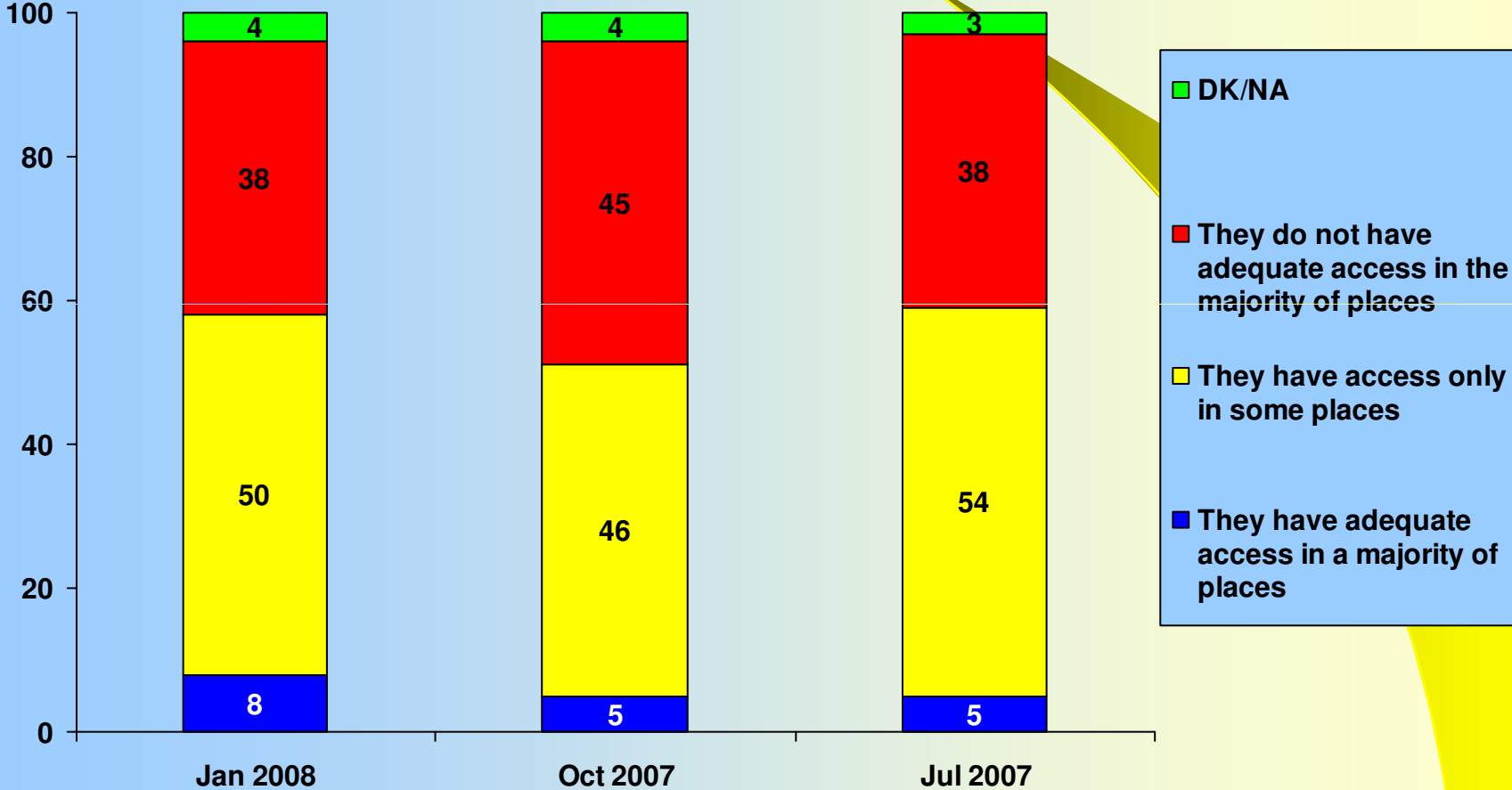
Do disabled people in Armenia have adequate opportunities for active participation in political life?



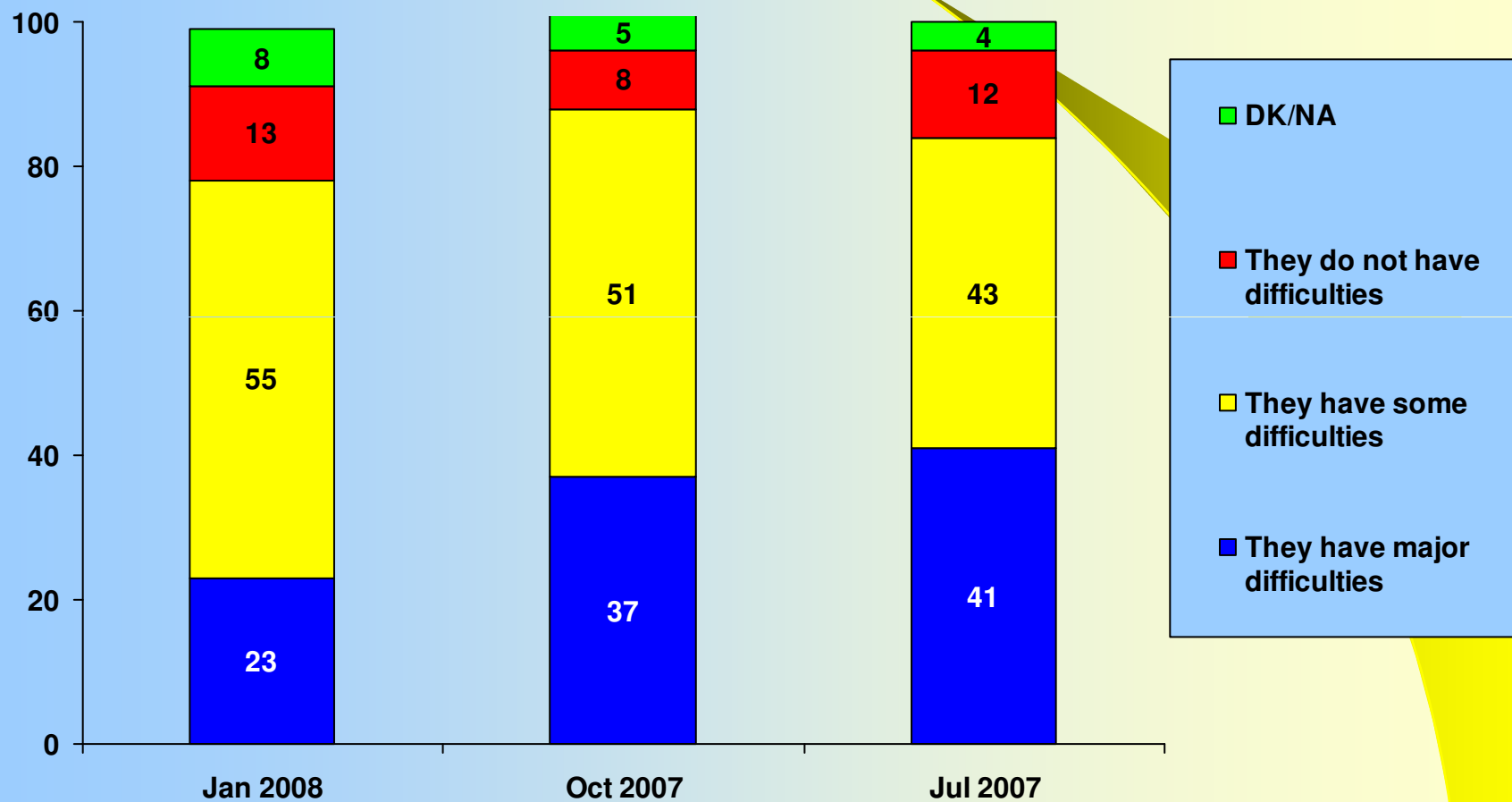
In your opinion, do disabled members of society in Armenia face challenges in finding employment opportunities?



In your opinion, do people who use wheelchairs have adequate access to public places?

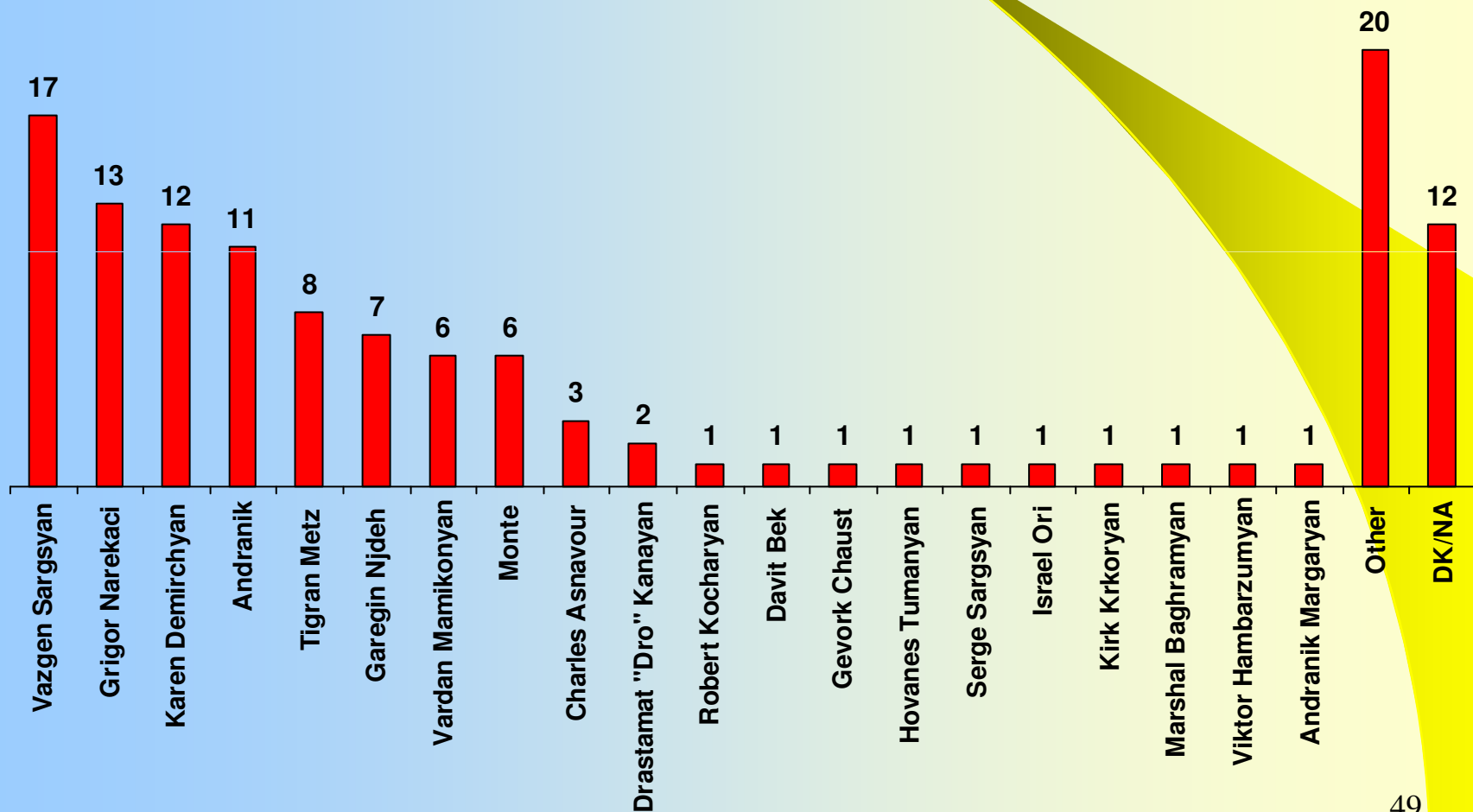


Do disabled members of society face challenges in seeking higher education?



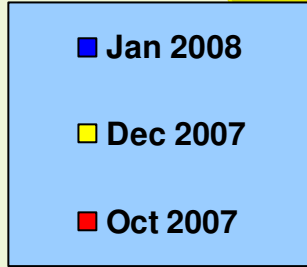
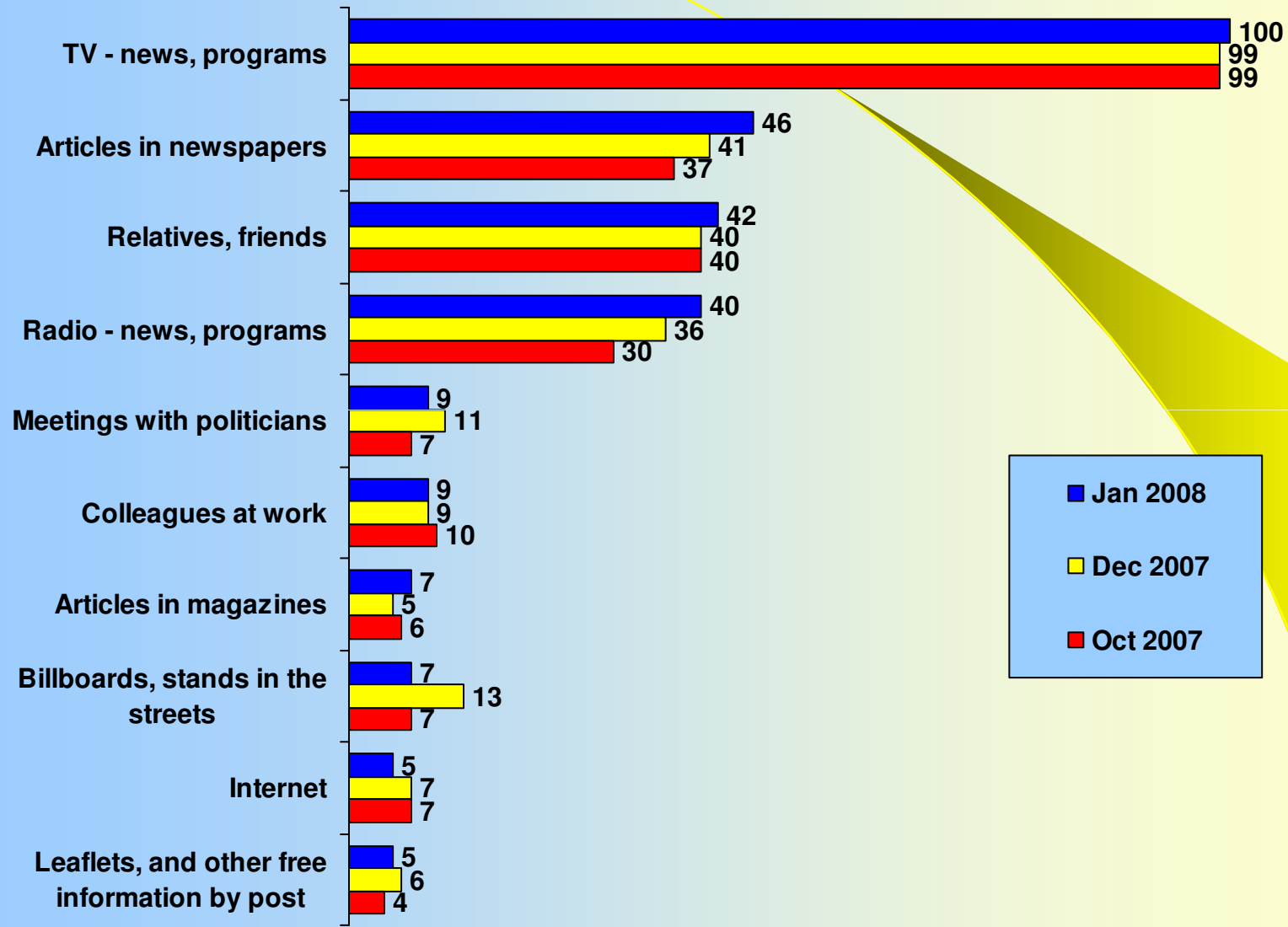
HEROES OF OUR TIMES

Of prominent living Armenians and characters from Armenian history and folk culture, who is most suitable to be a national hero or leader in the present?



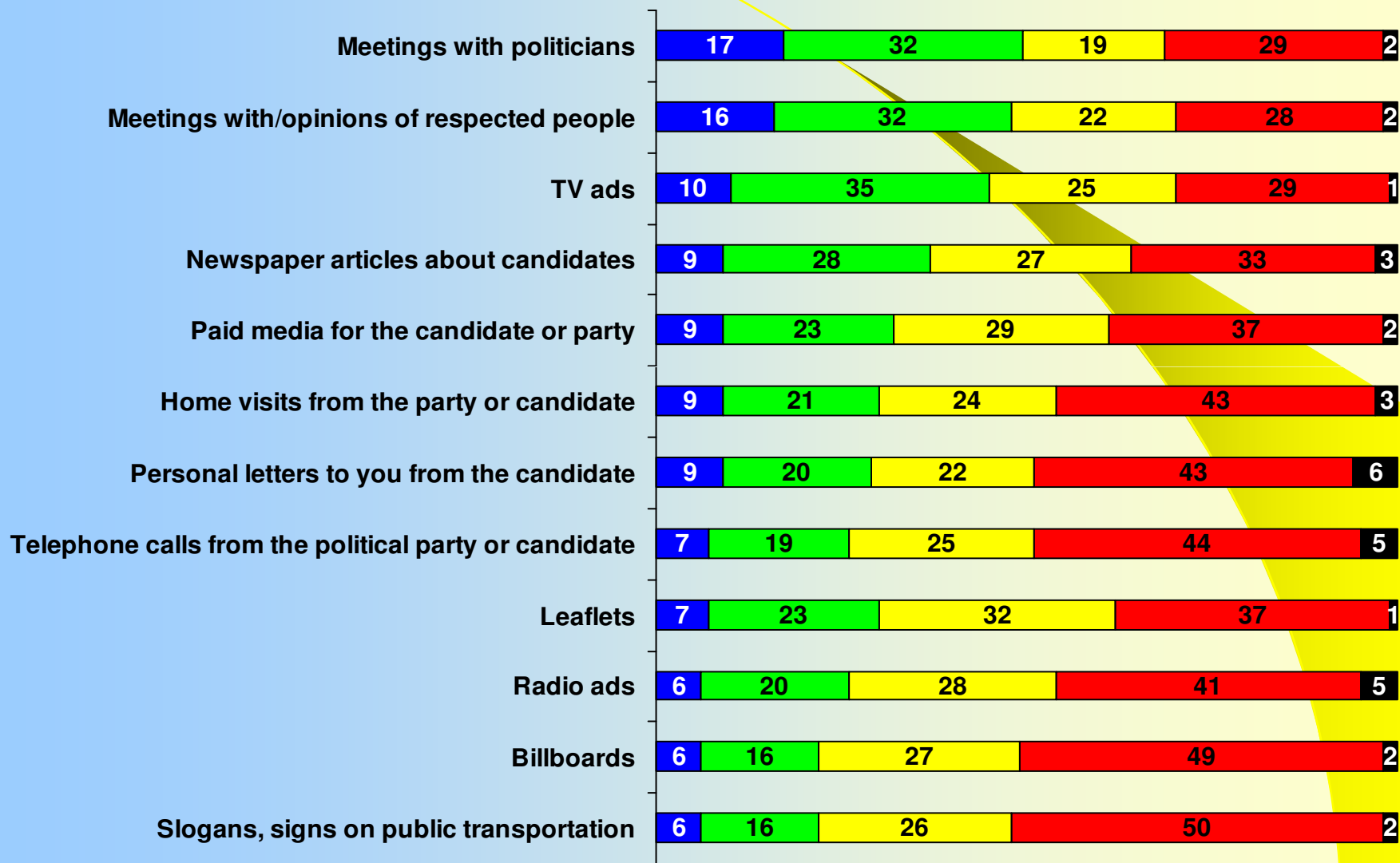
SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Which of these sources do you use to obtain political information?

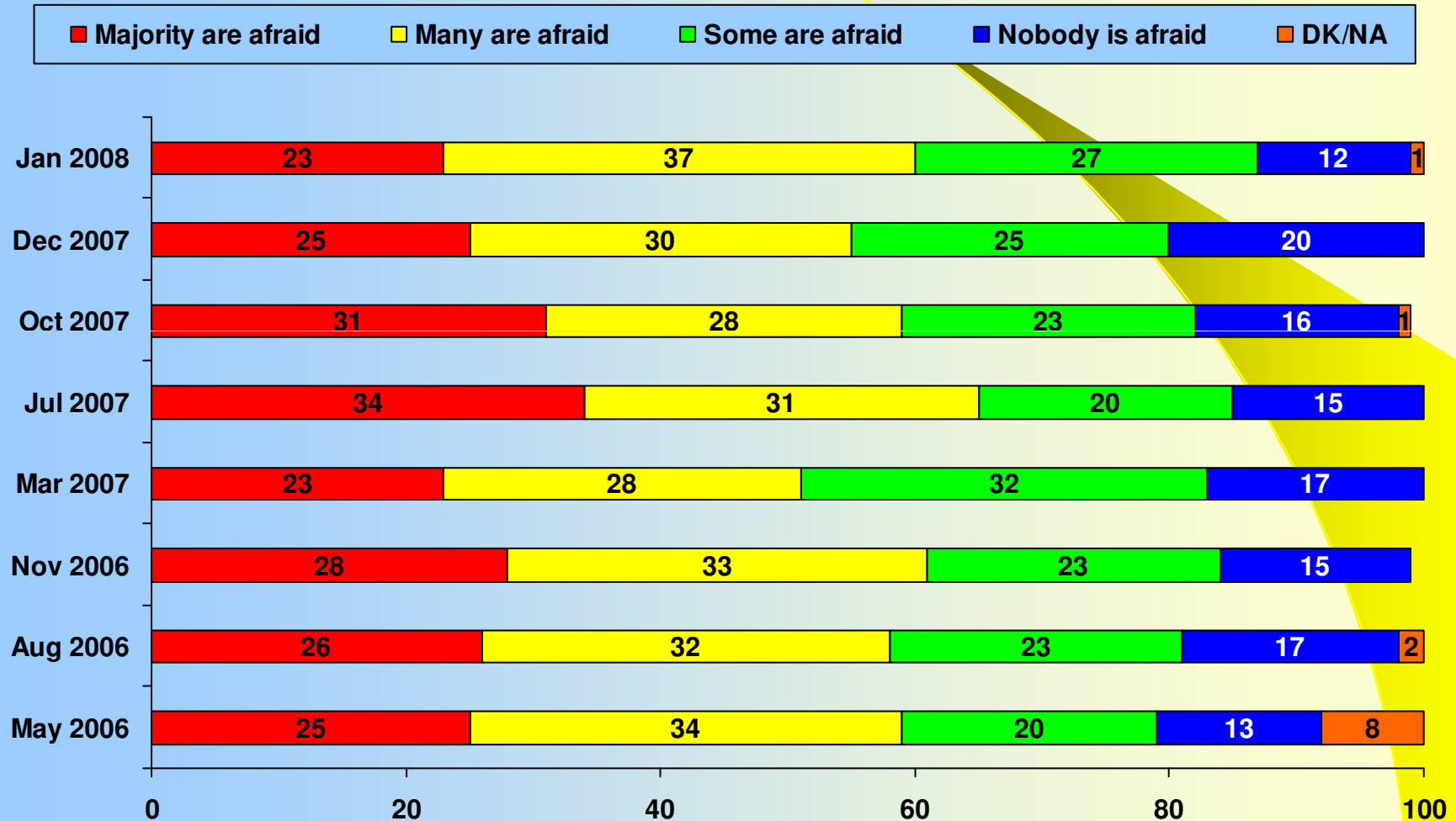


How much influence do each of the following forms of election campaigning have on you during a political campaign?

■ Great influence
 ■ Some influence
 ■ Not much influence
 ■ No influence at all
 ■ DK/NA

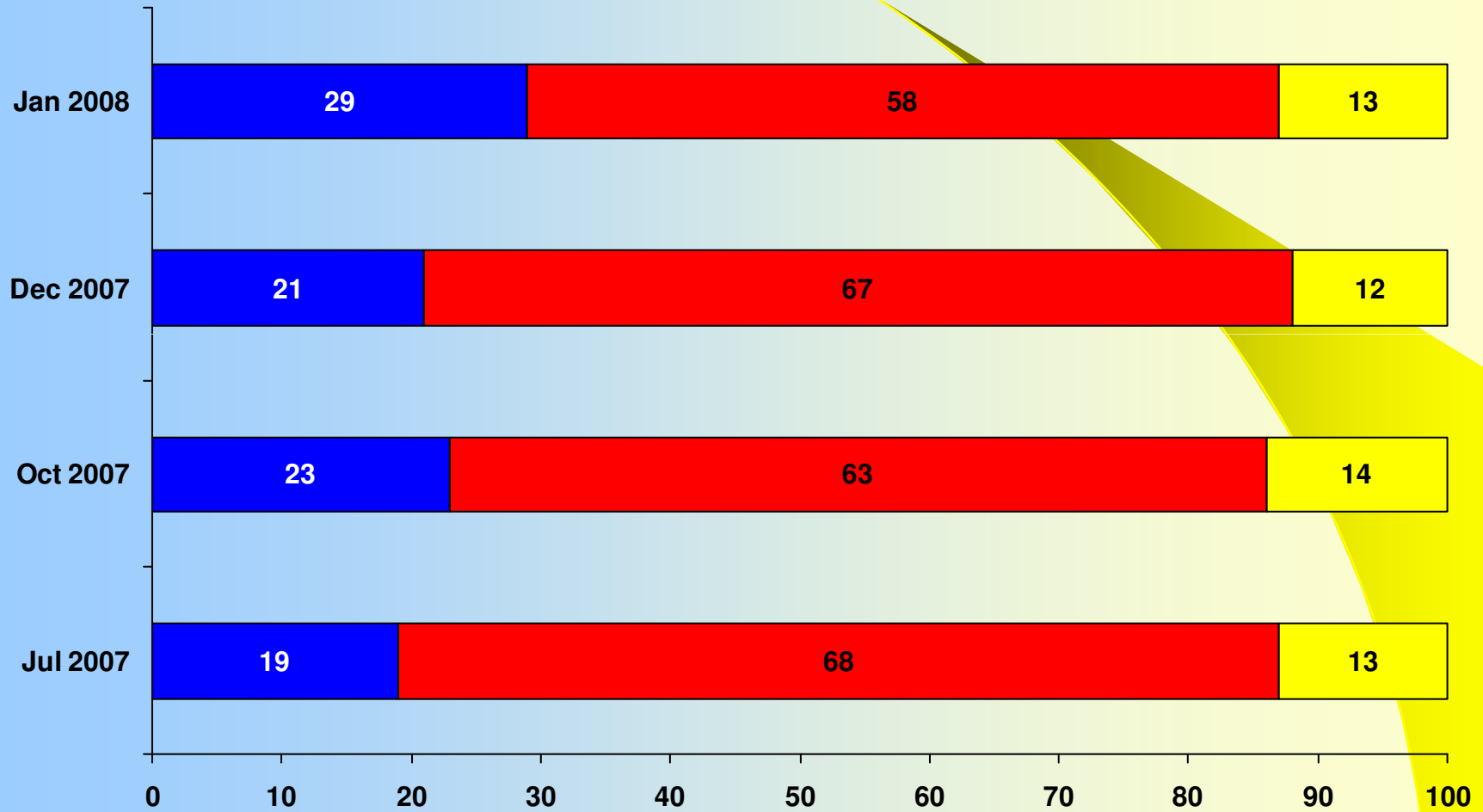


In your opinion, are people in Armenia afraid to openly express their political views?



Do you believe that the 2007 parliamentary elections were free and fair?

■ Free and fair ■ Not free and fair ■ No opinion



Do you think that the Armenian government is implementing anti-fraud measures for the presidential elections and that they will indeed be free and fair?

- Yes, it is implementing measures and there will be improvement
- No, it is not sincere and there will not be improvement
- DK/NA

