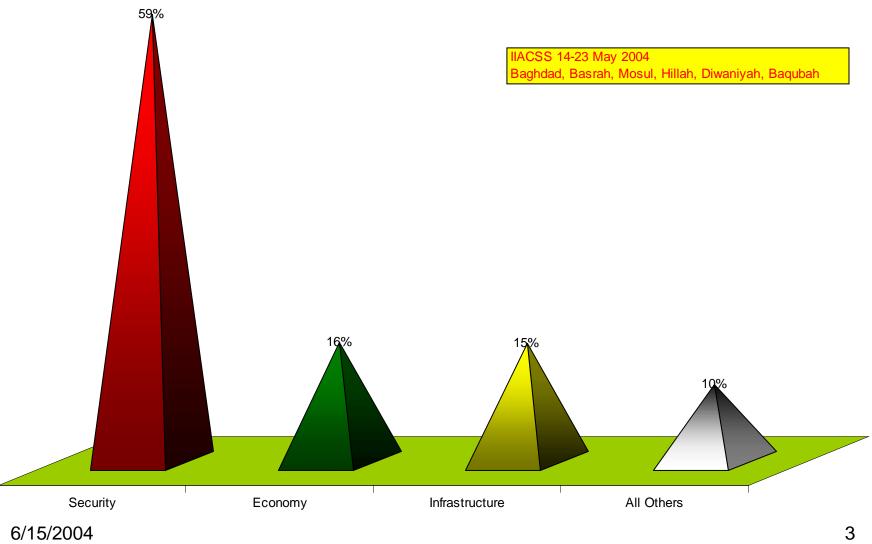
# Public Opinion in Iraq First Poll Following Abu Ghraib Revelations

# Baghdad, Basrah, Mosul, Hillah, Diwaniyah, Baqubah 14-23 May 2004

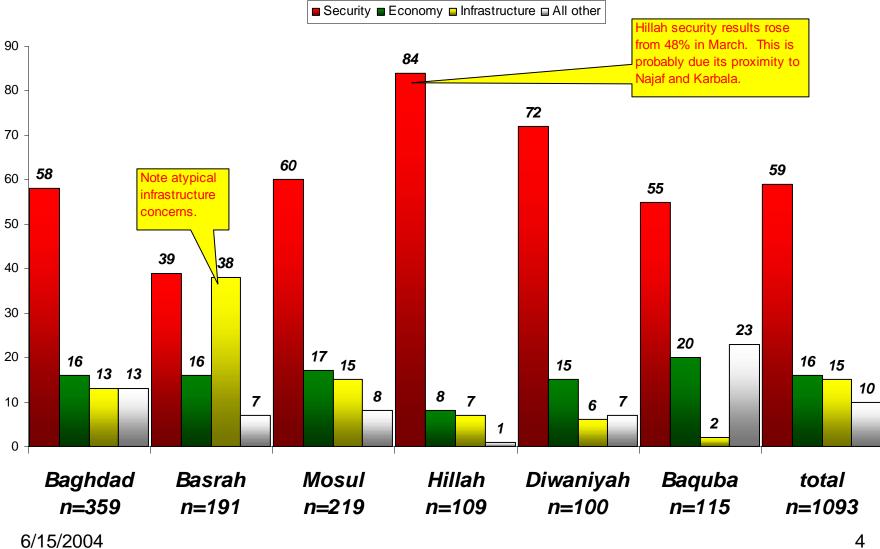
# **Technical Notes**

- Unless otherwise noted, these findings are based on face-to-face interviews conducted by IIACSS in Baghdad, Basrah, Mosul, Diwaniyah, Hillah & Baqubah between 14 and 23 May
- Total sample was 1093 interviews persons selected randomly.
- Sample can be taken as indicative of areas sampled with overall Margin of Error of ±4.1%
- Refusals were the highest seen to date, a trend noted by other pollsters.

Most Urgent Issue Facing Iraq



#### Security Greater Priority in Hillah & Diwaniyah than elsewhere; IIACSS 14-23 May 2004



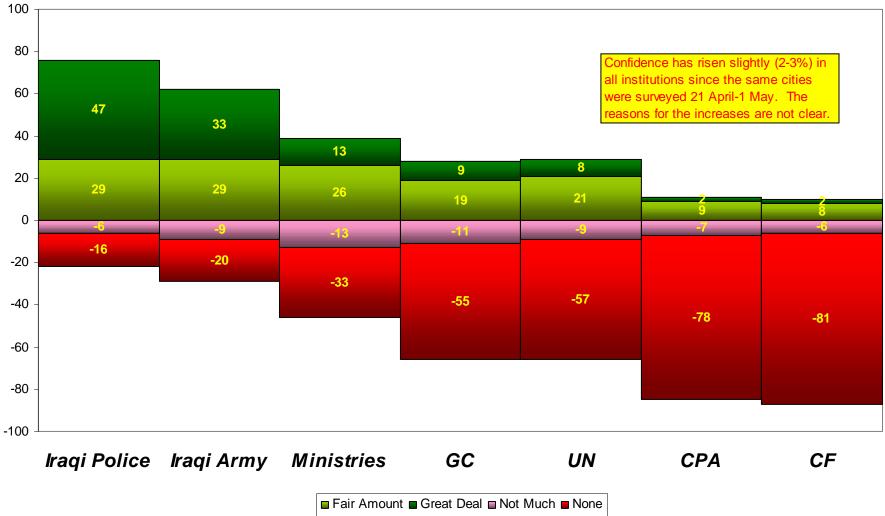
# Institutional & Individual Confidence

- Confidence in all institutions up marginally, but CPA & CF are at the bottom
- Moqtada's "support" has grown dramatically, but this is illusory; a mere 2% would vote for him for president.

#### **Confidence in Selected Institutions**

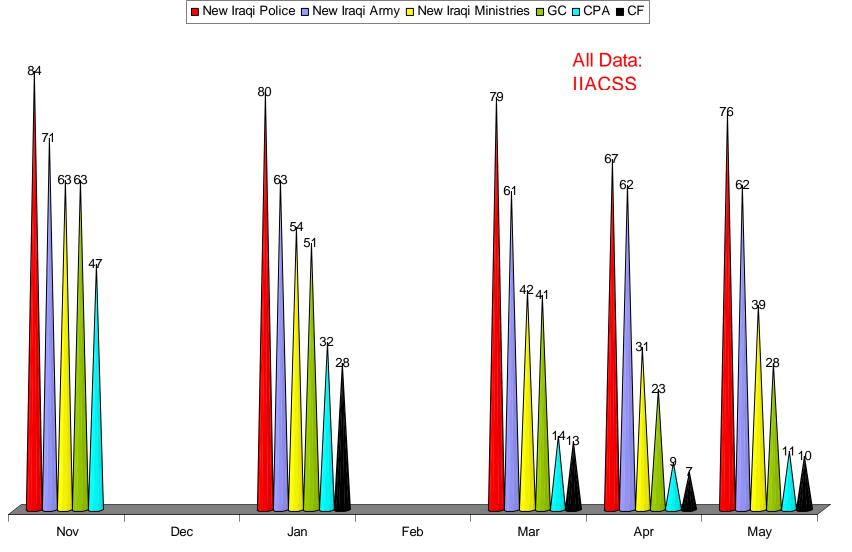
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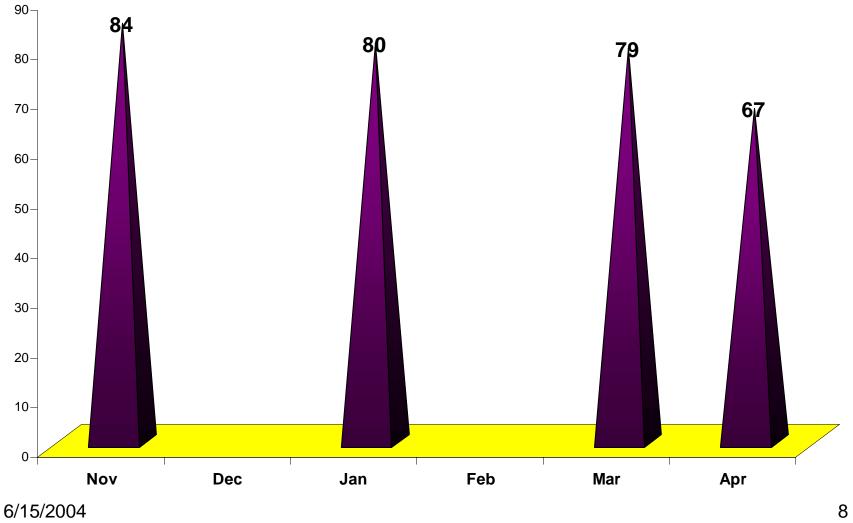
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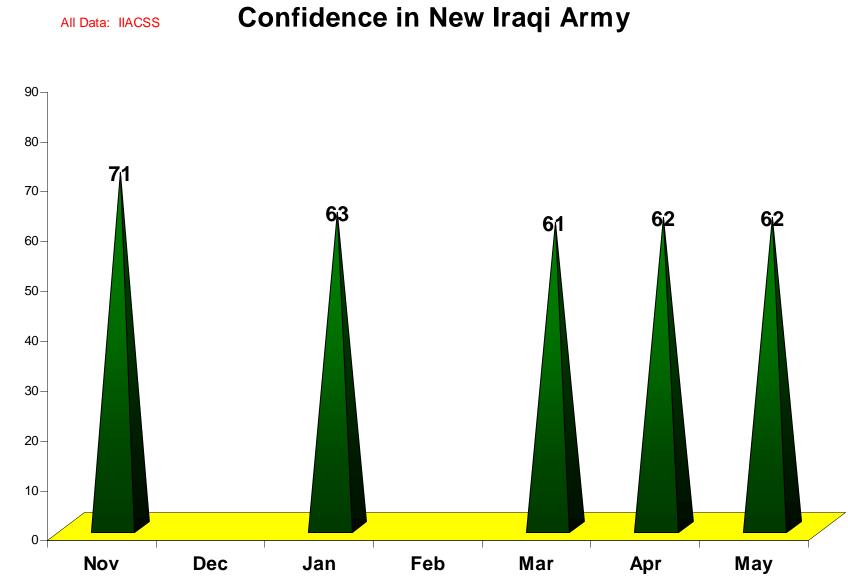


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### **Confidence in New Iraqi Police**



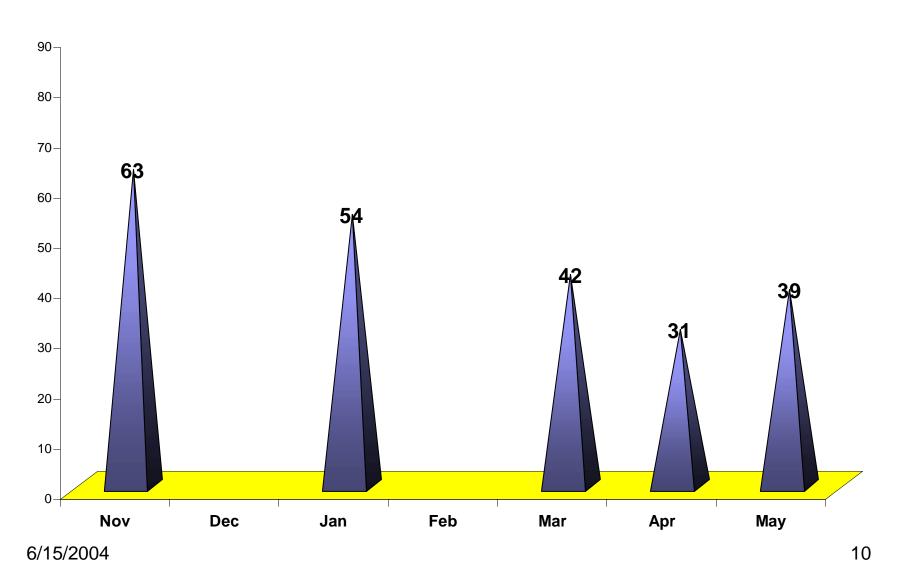
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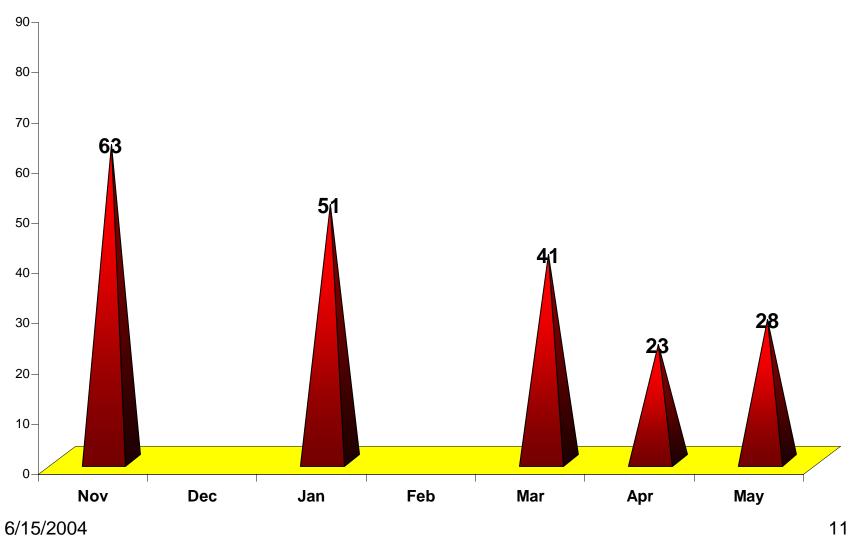
### **Confidence in New Iraqi Ministries**





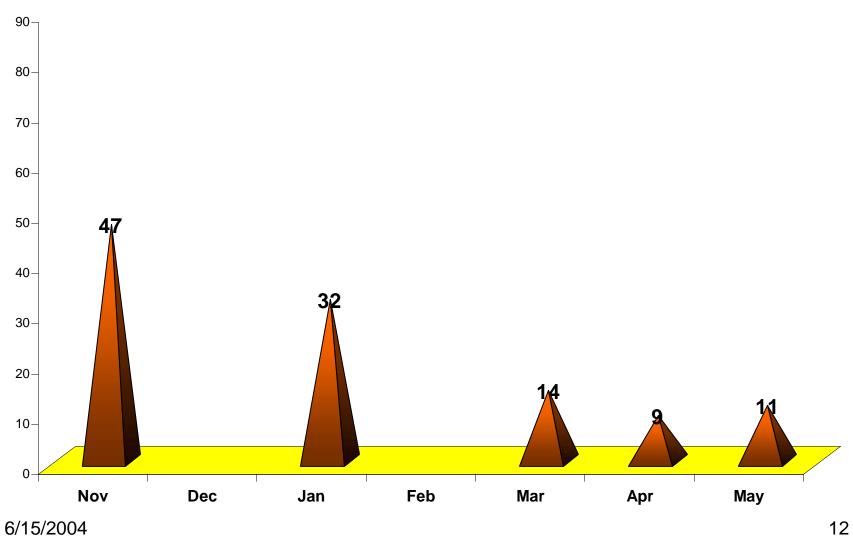
### **Confidence in Governing Council**

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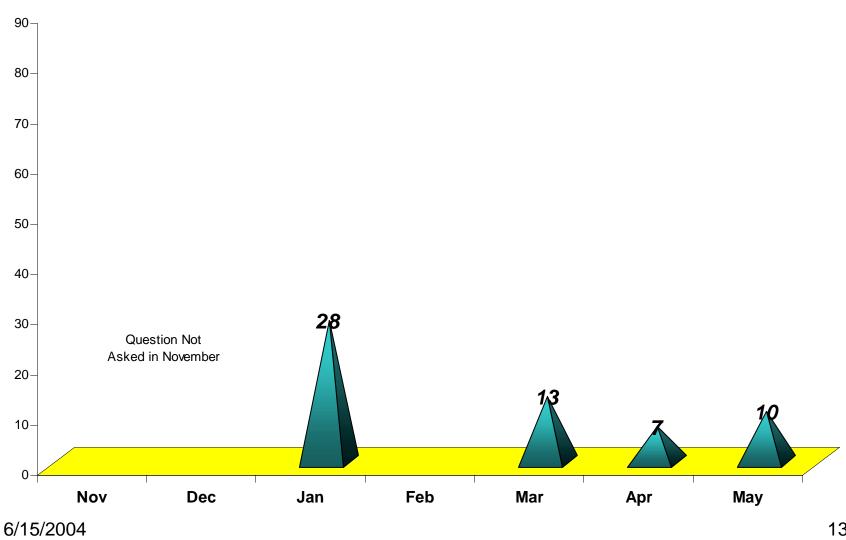


### **Confidence in CPA**

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### **Confidence in Coalition Forces**



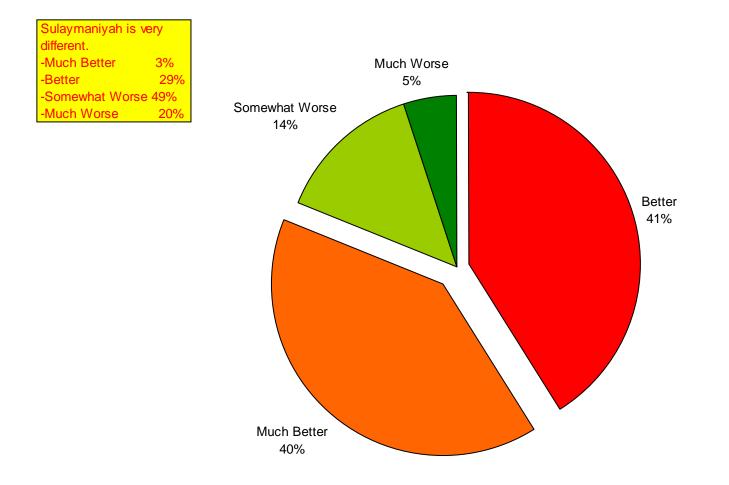
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#### Compared to 3 months ago my opinion of Moqtada al-Sadr is...

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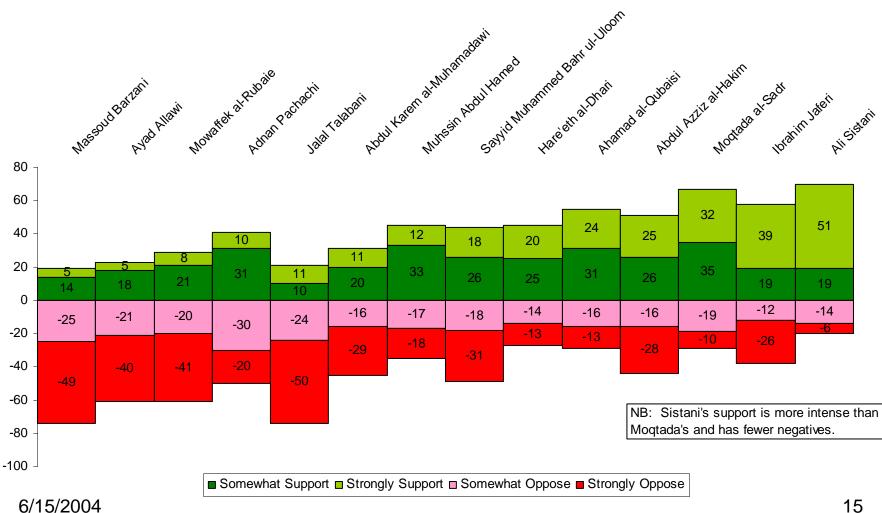


#### Support of or Opposition to the Following Individuals Don't Know/No Answer Excluded

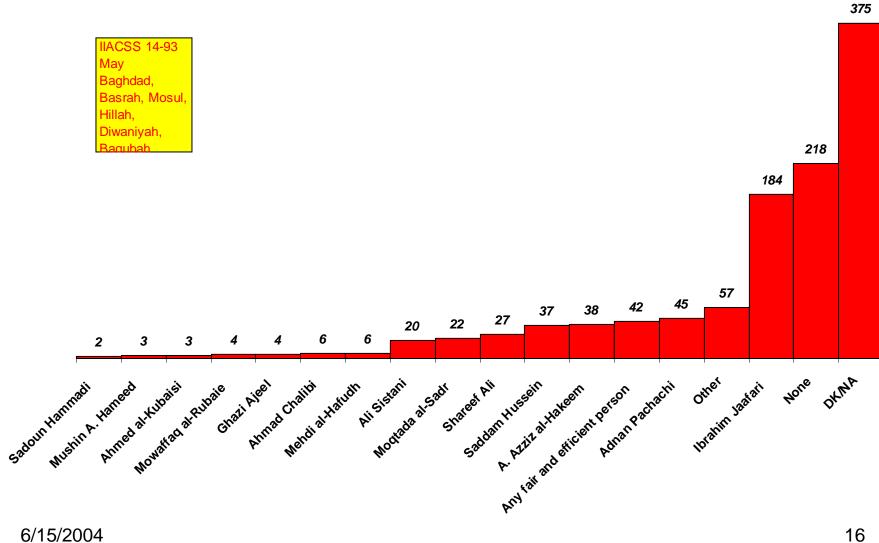
(Recovered Data Add Ali Sistani to the This Chart, which replaces earlier version)

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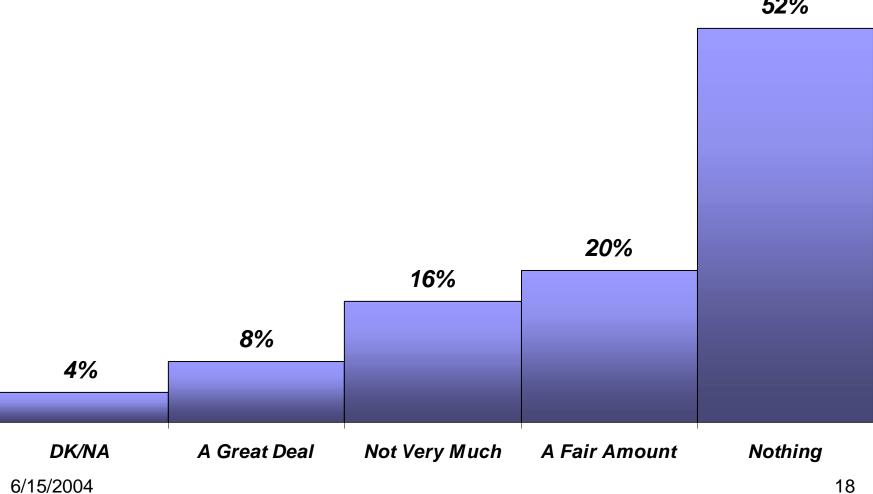
If you could vote for any living Iraqi for president, who would it be? Absolute number of respondents per candidate from 1093 respondents



# Interim Government & Elections Commission

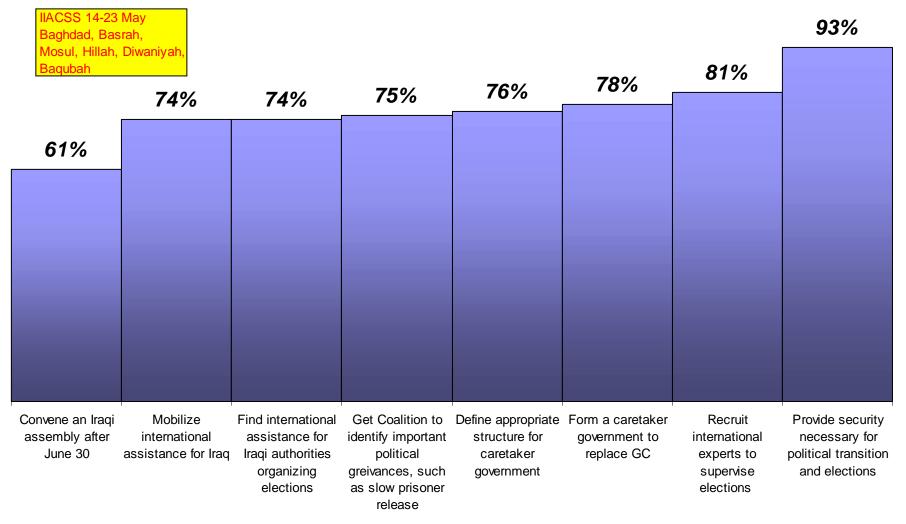
- Iraqis have heard little
- Even so, Interim Government concepts & Brahimi plan well-received.
- CPA, CF influence on elections commission unpopular

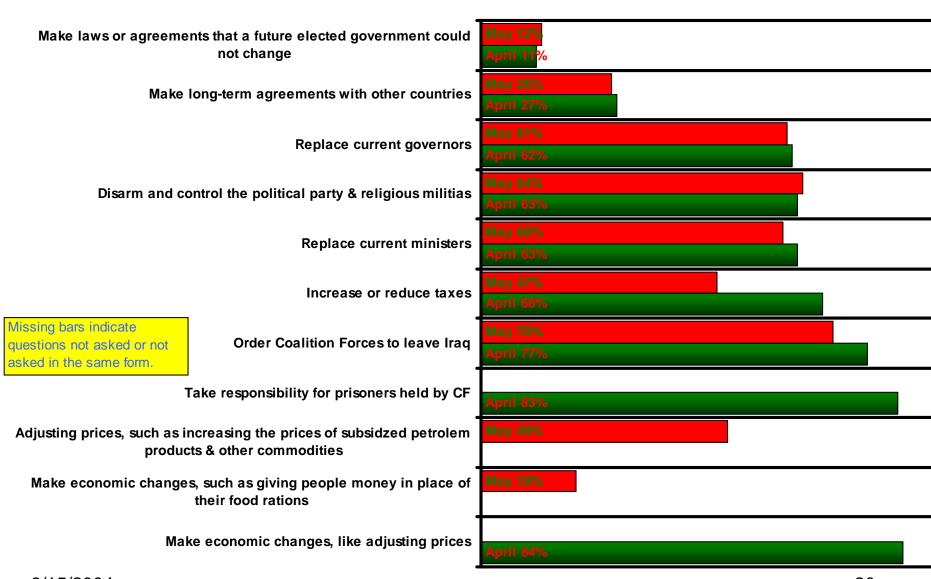
#### How much have you heard or read about the recent recommendations of the United Nations about the June 30 Interim Government? IIACSS 14-23 May 2004: Baghdad, Basrah, Mosul, Hillah, Diwaniyah, Baqubah



**52%** 

#### Here are eight suggestions for ways to strengthen Iraq's transition to elections in January. How much would the following contribute to Iraq's progess toward elections? *Results combine "a great deal" and "a fair amount."*

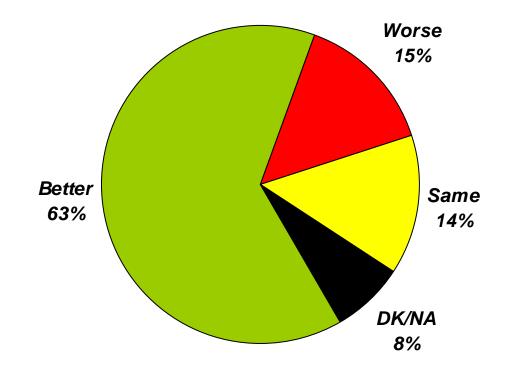




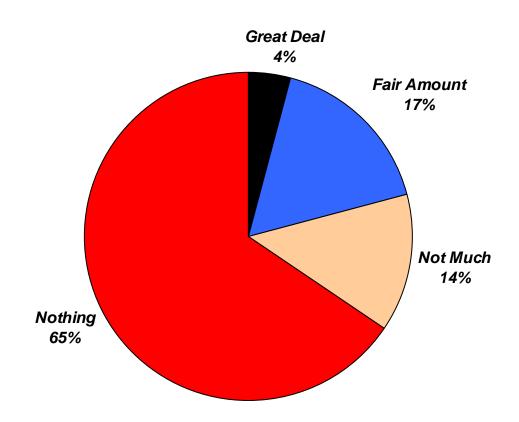
#### What powers should the unelected, interim government have for its 7 months in office? IIACSS Baghdad, Basrah, Mosul, Diwaniyah, Hillah, Baqubah

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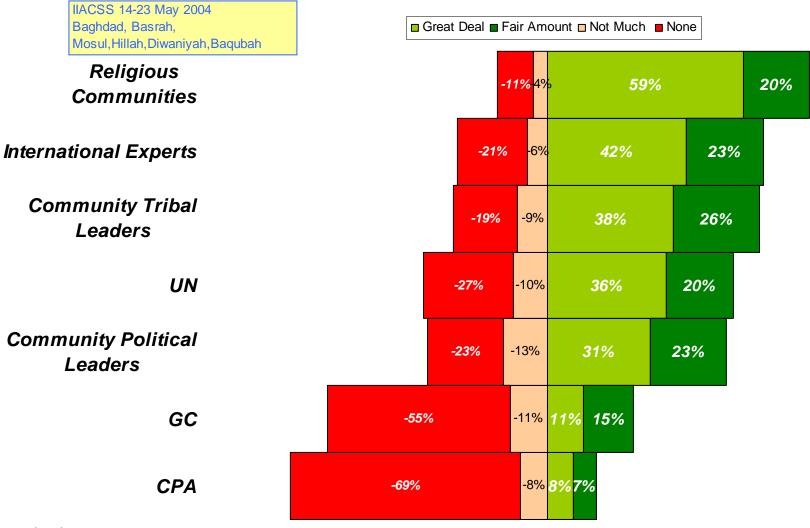
How do you think having an interim government on June 30 will make things for Iraq? IIACSS 14-23 May 2004: Baghdad, Basrah, Mosul, Hillah, Diwaniyah, Baqubah



#### How much have you heard or read about the formation of an independent commission supervising the elections to be held in January 2005? IIACSS 14-23 May 2004: Baghdad, Basrah, Mosul, Hillah, Diwaniyah, Baqubah



Regardless of how much you have heard about the independent election commission, please tell me how much influence should the following institutions have in selecting commission members?



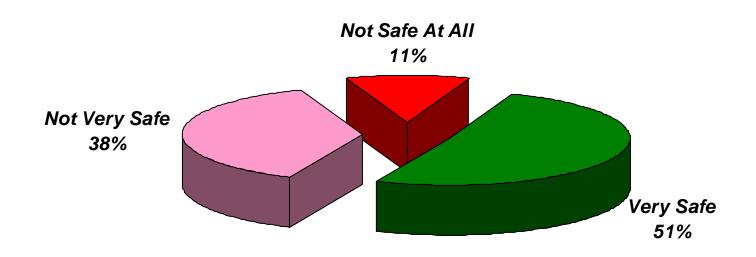
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# Security

- Only half of Iraqis feels safe in their own neighborhood
- Family, friends make people feel secure
- Fear of fighting in Fallujah, Karbala & Najaf have probably affected attitudes toward security.

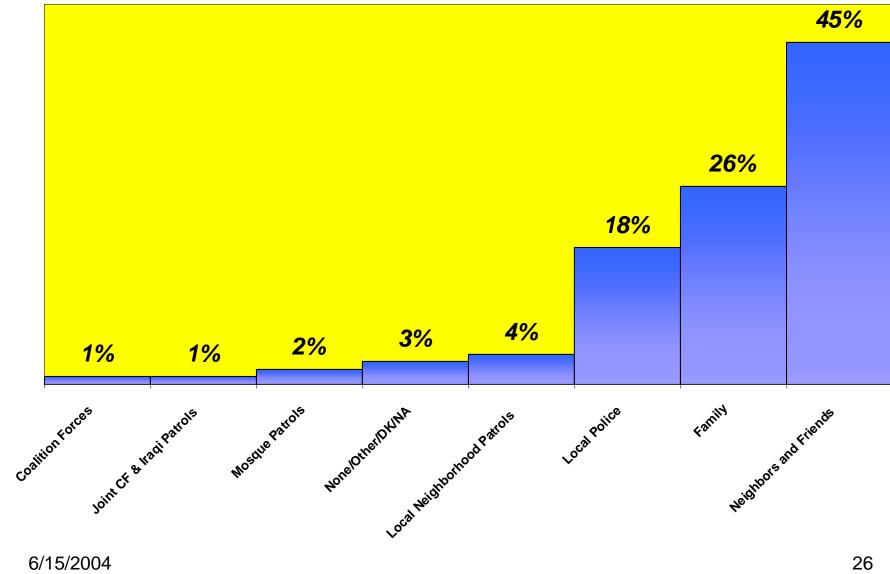
#### How safe do you feel in your neighborhood?

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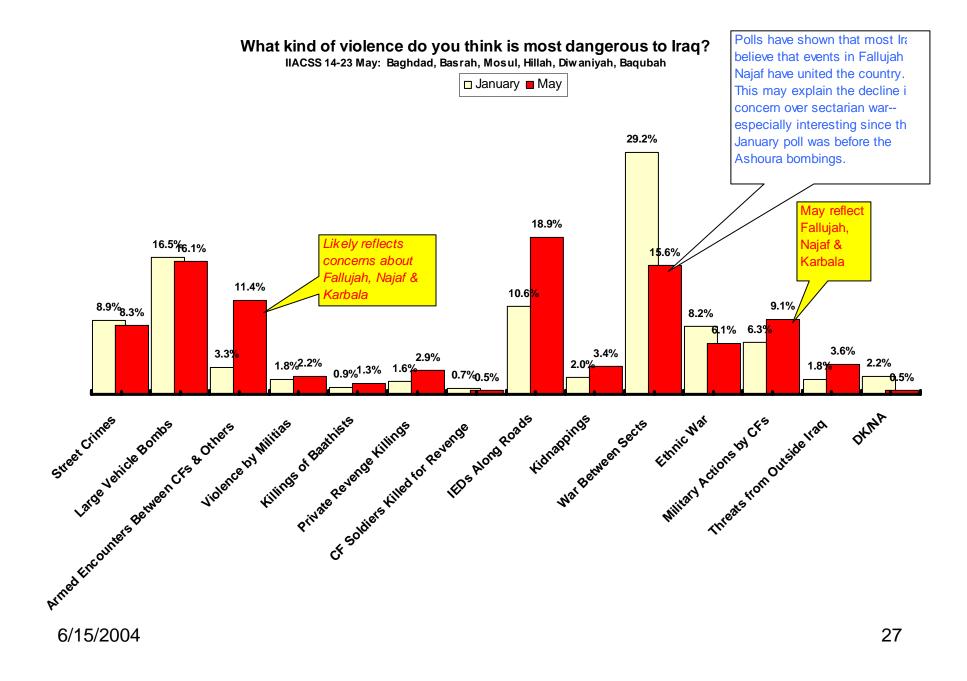


#### Which of the following contributes most to your sense of security?

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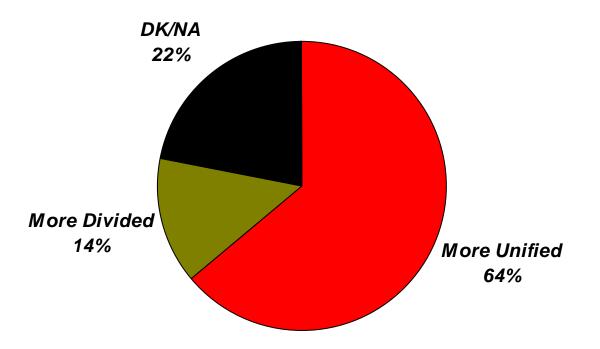


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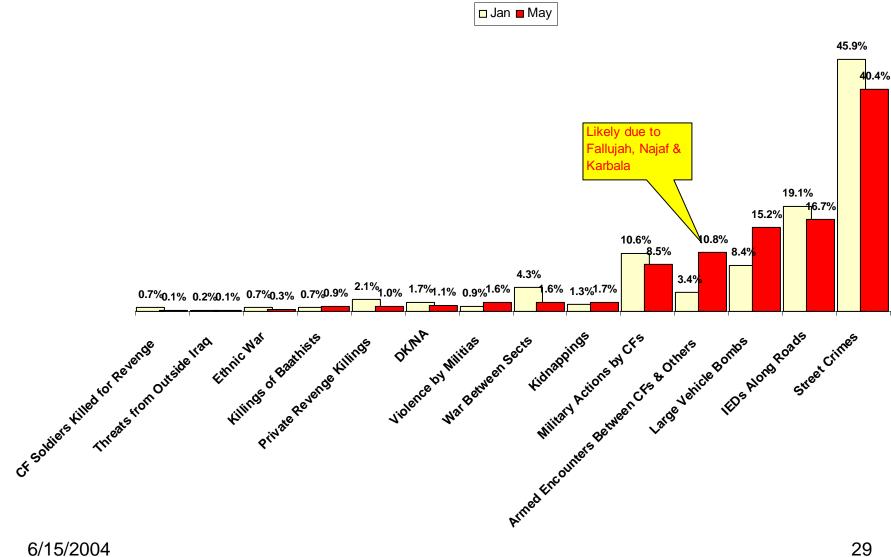
#### Have recent events and Fallujah and the acts of Moqtada al-Sadr made Iraq more unified or more divided? ICRSS 20-29 April

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#### What kind of violence do you think is most dangerous to your FAMILY?

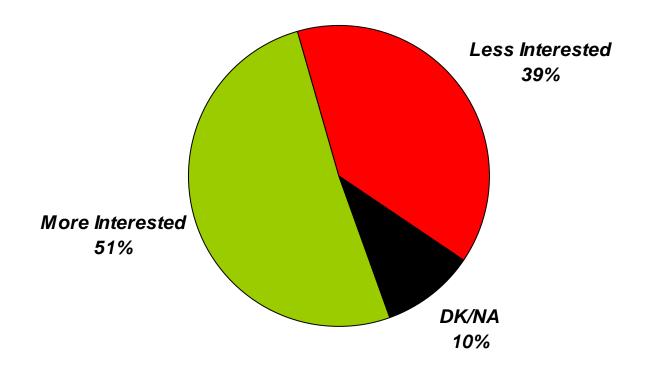
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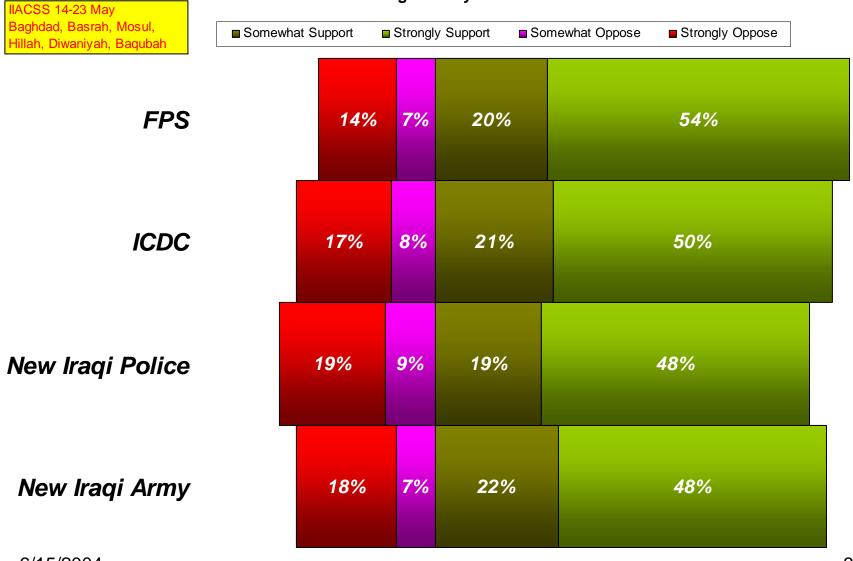


# **Security Forces**

- Support for joining Iraqi security forces increases across all branches.
- Iraqis believe their security forces can handle things without Coalition Forces.

#### Are you or any member of your family more or less interested in joining the Iraqi security forces than you were 3 months ago? IIACSS 14-23 May 2004: Baghdad, Basrah, Mosul, Hillah, Diwaniyah, Baqubah

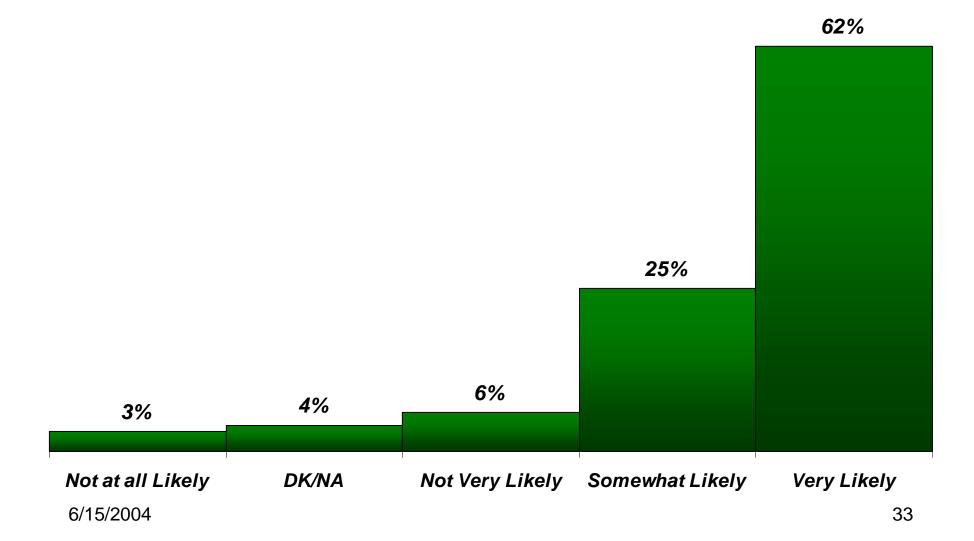




## Would you support or oppose the idea that you or a member of your household join the following security forces...?

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### Do you think it is likely that the Iraqi Police and Army will maintain security without the presence of Coalition Forces IIACSS 14-23 May: Baghdad, Basrah, Mosul, Hillah, Diwaniyah, Baqubah

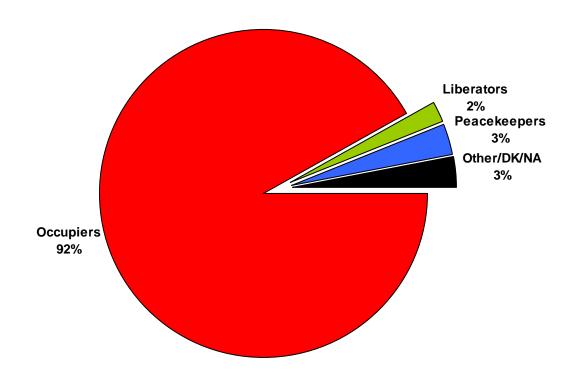


# **Coalition Forces**

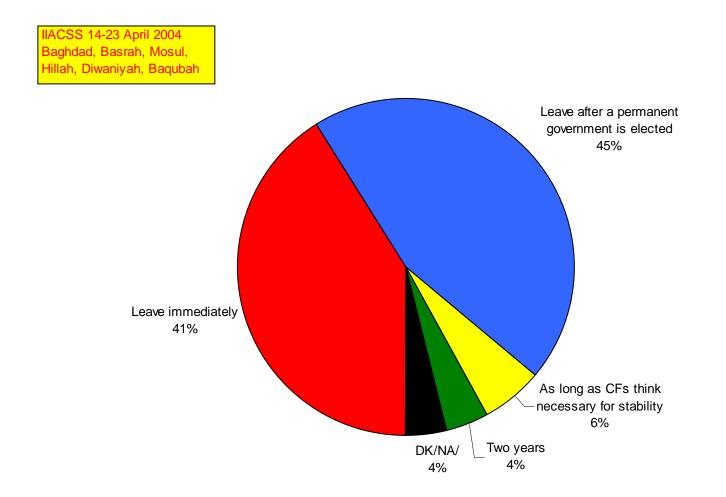
- Seen as occupiers
- Now seen as liability whose presence makes things more dangerous
- Substantial deterioration of image
- Primary reason cited as reason for immediate departure:

- "They are occupiers"

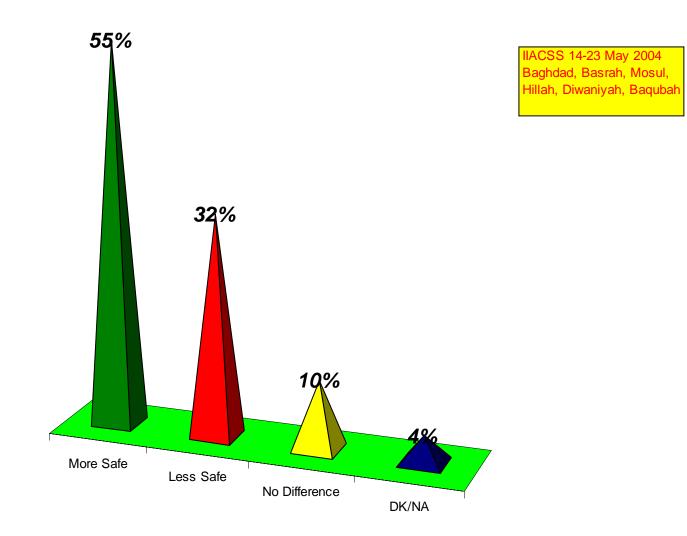
The Coalition Forces are... IIACSS 14-23 May: Baghdad, Basrah, Mosul, Hillah, Diwaniyah, Baquba



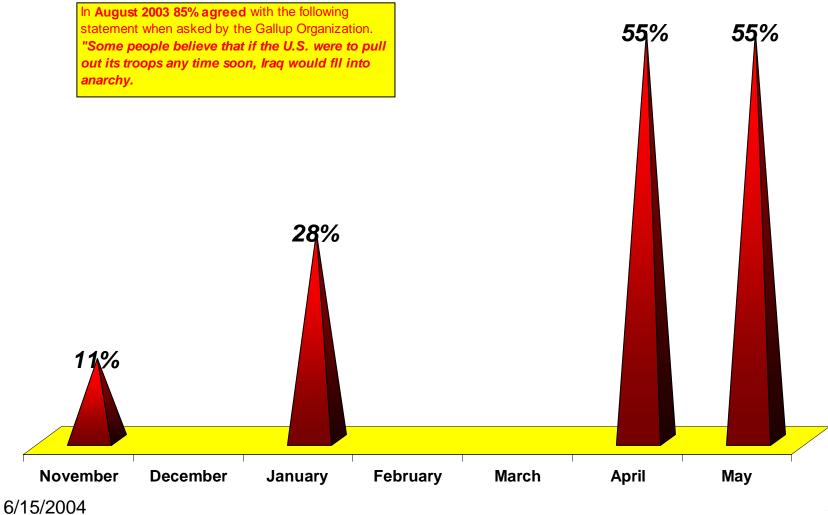
How long should Coalition Forces stay in Iraq?



If Coalition Forces left Iraq immediately would you feel...?



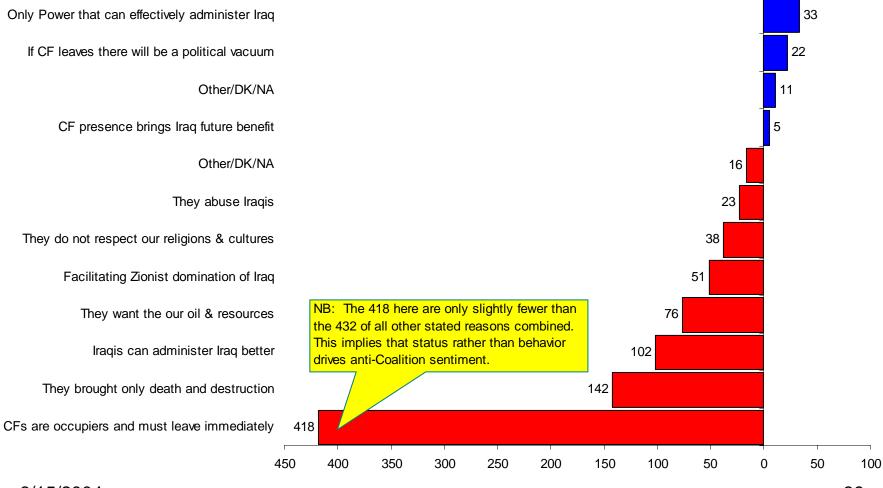
# If Coalition Forces left immediately, would you feel more safe or less safe? Percentages answering "More Safe."



## Iraqis were asked if CFs should stay or go and why they held their opinion Results are expressed as absolute numbers for each opinion for 1068 respondents

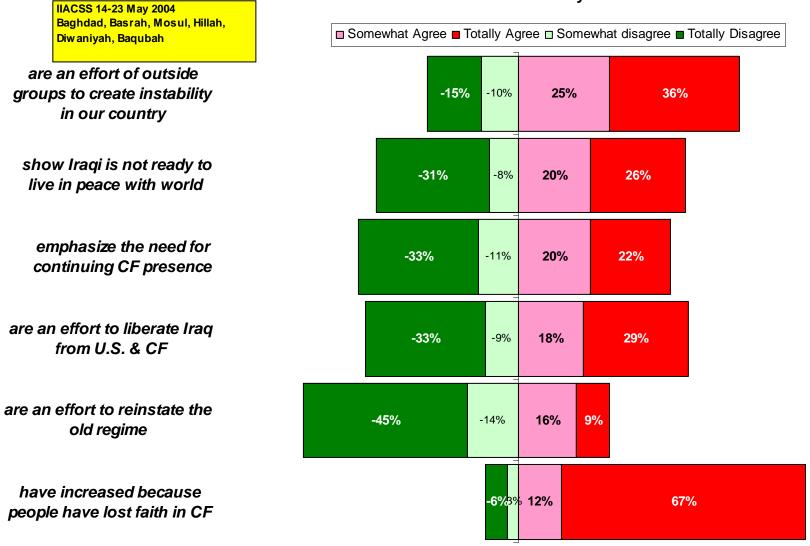
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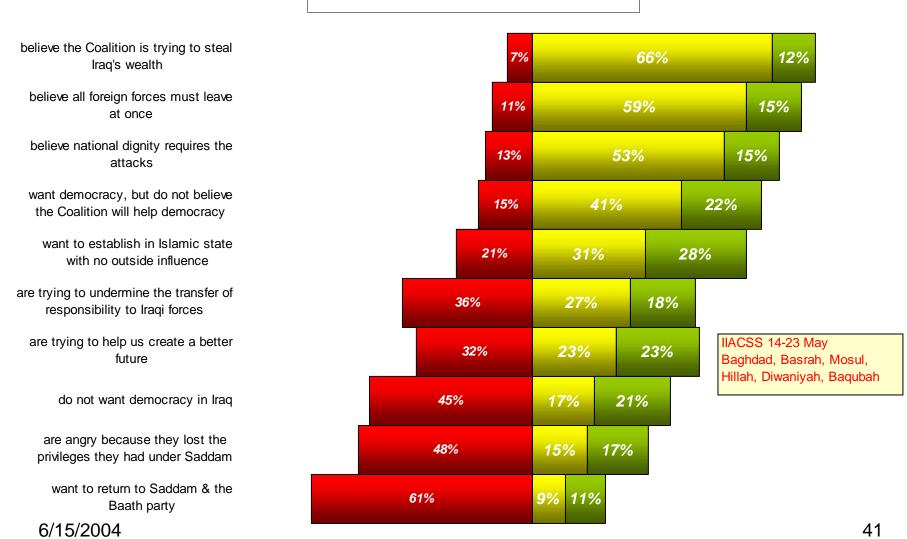
#### How much do you agree with each of the following statements? The violent attacks around the country...



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#### Please indicate if and how the following statements apply to those who attack the Coalition Forces and those who work with them. They:

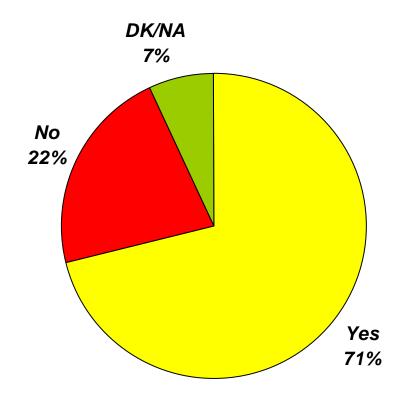
□ Totally True □ Partially True □ Not True



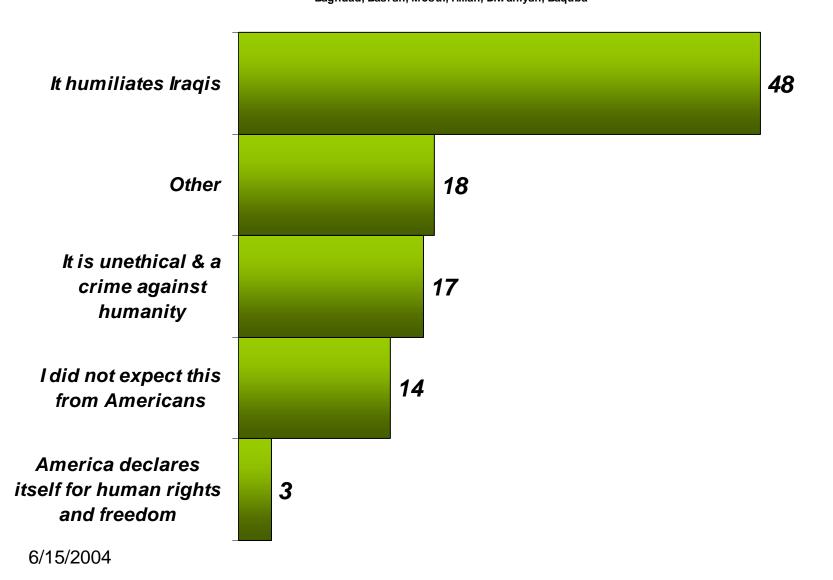
# Abu Ghraib

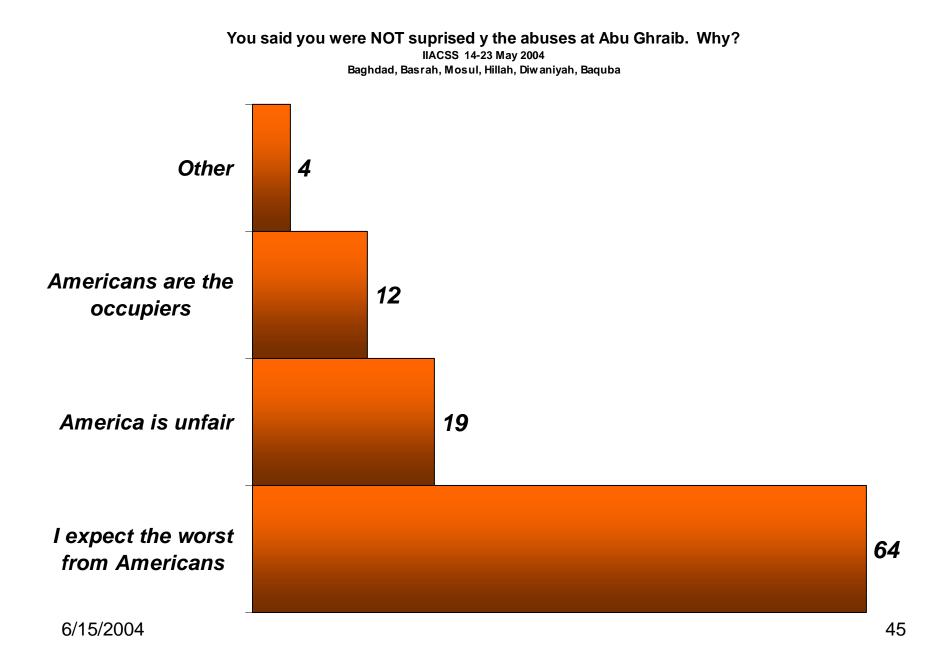
- Most Iraqis were surprised.
- Most do not believe anyone will be punished.
- Those who do think that only "little people" will be punished.

Were you surpised when you saw the abuse of prisoners at Abu Ghraib? IIACSS 14-23 May 2004 Baghdad, Basrah, Mosul, Hillah, Diwaniyah, Baquba



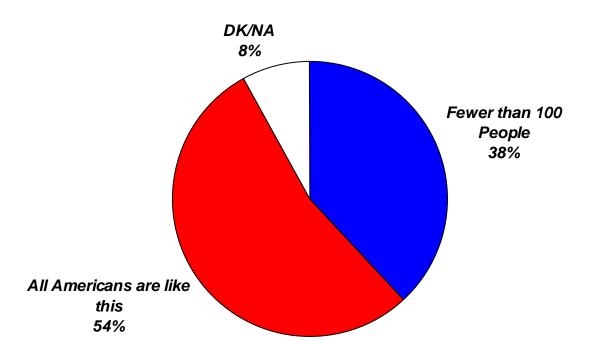
You said you were surprised by the abuses at Abu Grhaib. Why? IIACSS 14-23 May 2004 Baghdad, Basrah, Mosul, Hillah, Diwaniyah, Baquba



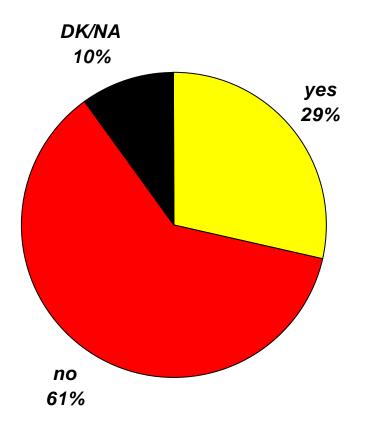


## Do you believe that the abuse of prisoners at Abu Ghraib represents fewer than 100 people or

that all Americans behave this way? IIACSS 14-23 May 2004 Baghdad, Basrah, Mosul, Hillah, Diwaniyah, Baquba



Do you believe anyone will be punished for what happened at Abu Ghraib? IIACSS 14-23 May 2004 Baghdad, Basrah, Mosul, Hillah, Diwaniyah, Baquba



# You said you believe someone will be punished for Abu Ghraib. You believe everyone responsible will be punished, or only the little people?

Baghdad, Basrah, Mosul, Hillah, Diwaniyah, Baquba

