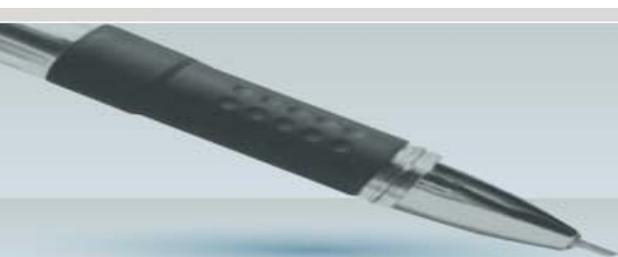




# Survey on Poverty



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# Survey ID

This survey was made by ΚΑΠΑ RESEARCH S.A.

**Time of conduct**

The collection of data was made from May 23 and until June 8 2007

**Geographical area covered**

Greece

**Population**

Men and women, 18 years old and above

**Sample**

3.089

**Method used for data collection**

Personal interview based on an electronic questionnaire, supported by a special software designed by ΚΑΠΑ RESEARCH. For the survey conduct, worked 41 researchers and 4 supervisors.

**Sampling method**

Multistage random sampling using quotas on geographical distribution, age, and gender.

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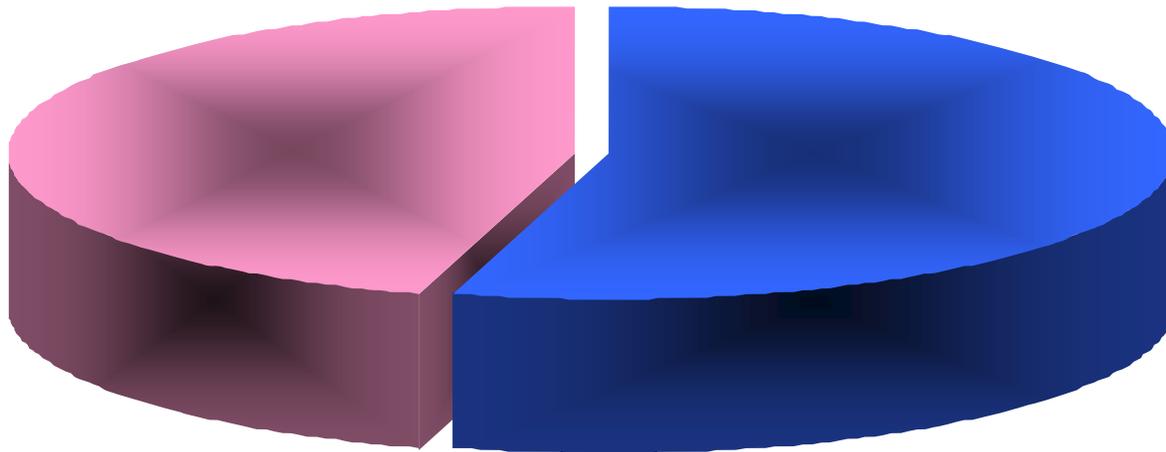
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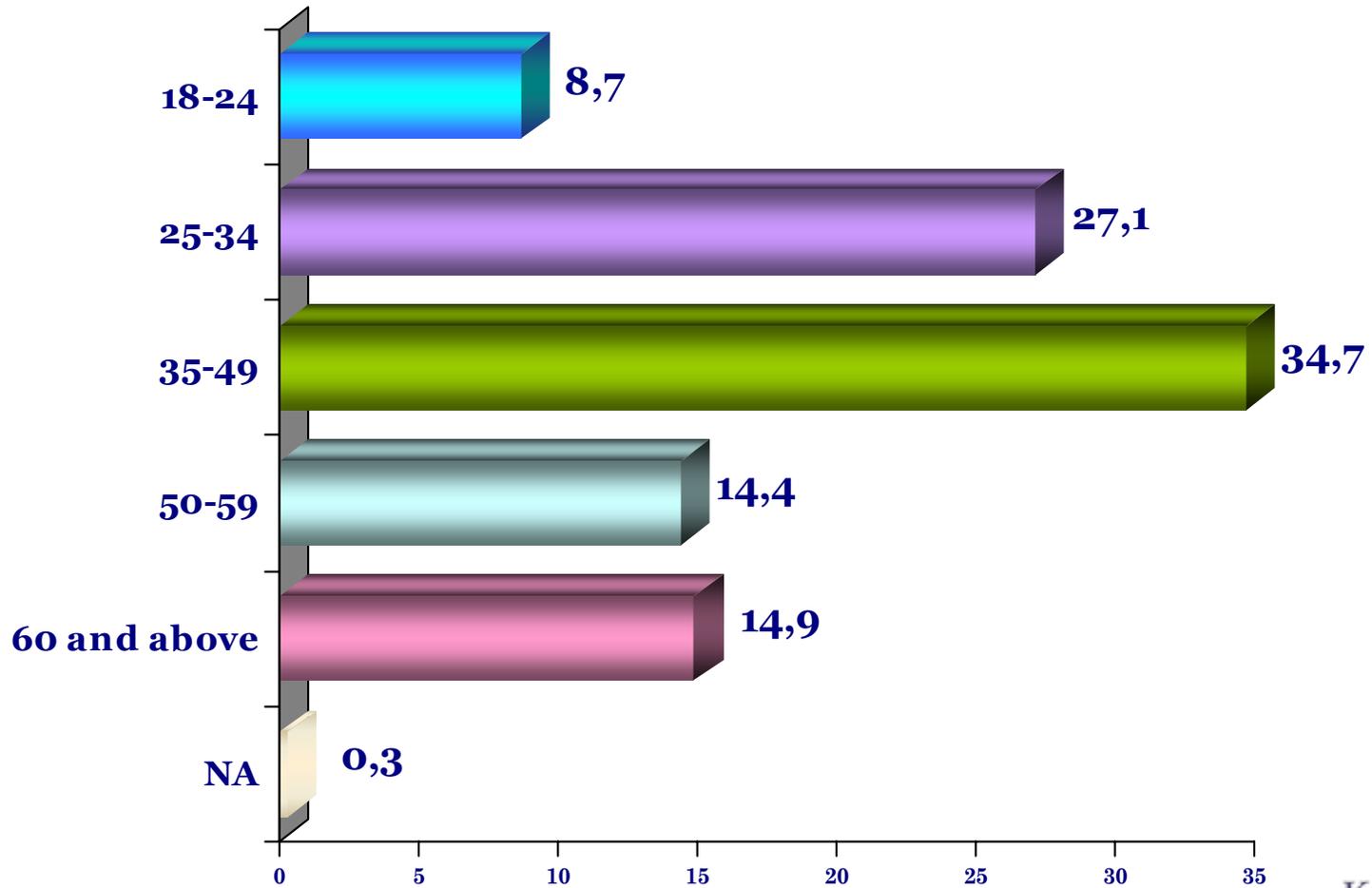
**Female**  
**45,6%**



**Male**  
**54,4%**



## AGE





# Survey Results

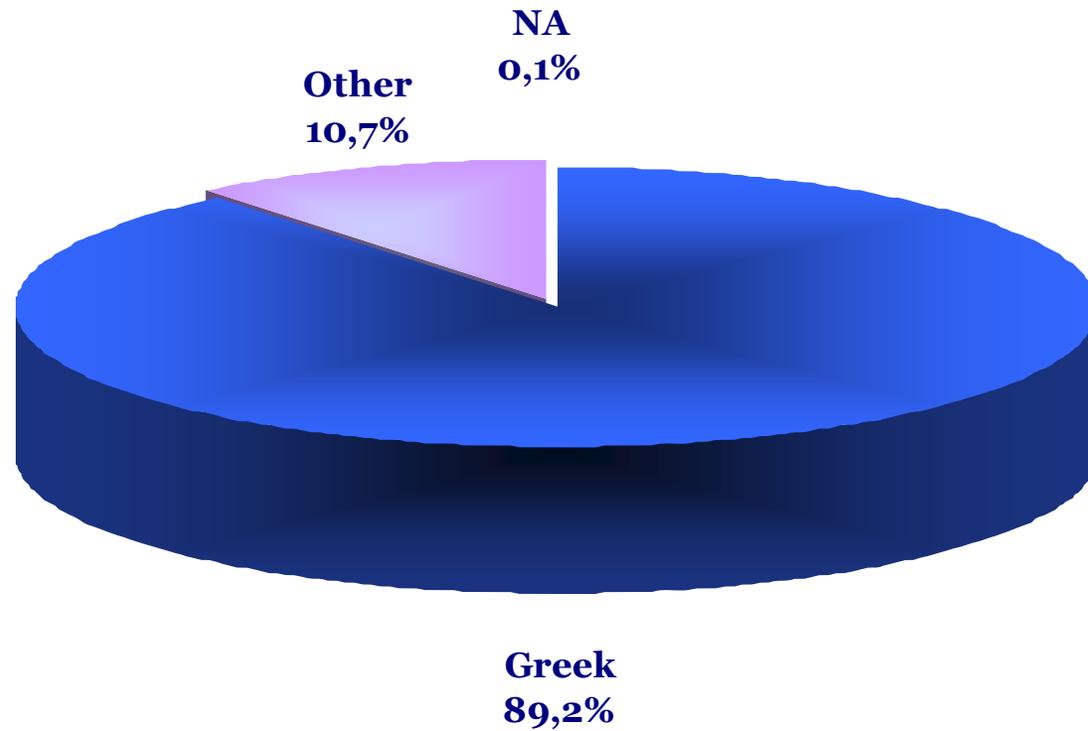


## *Chapter A:*

# DEMOGRAPHICS



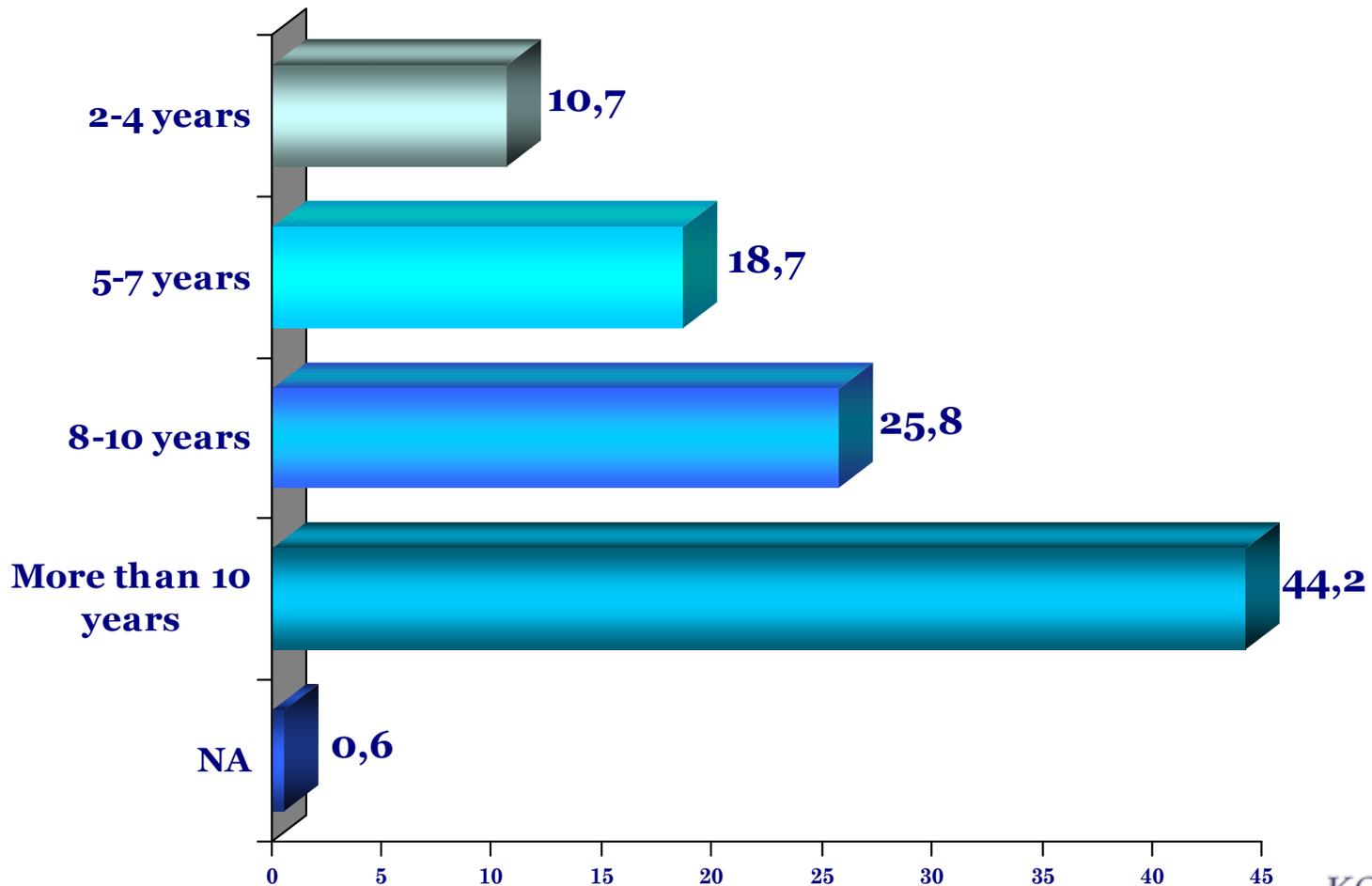
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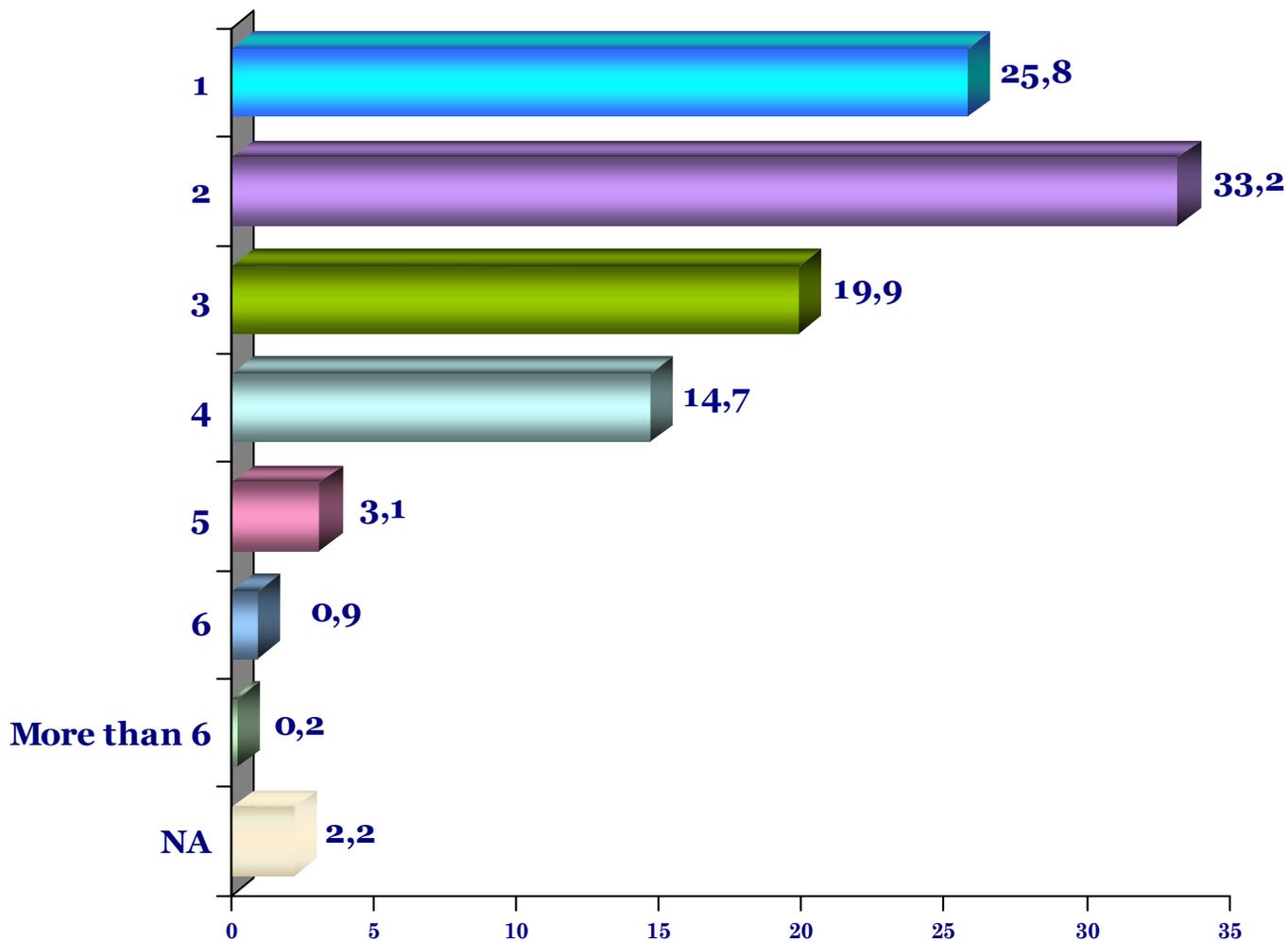
## How long have you been in Greece?

If the origin is "Other"



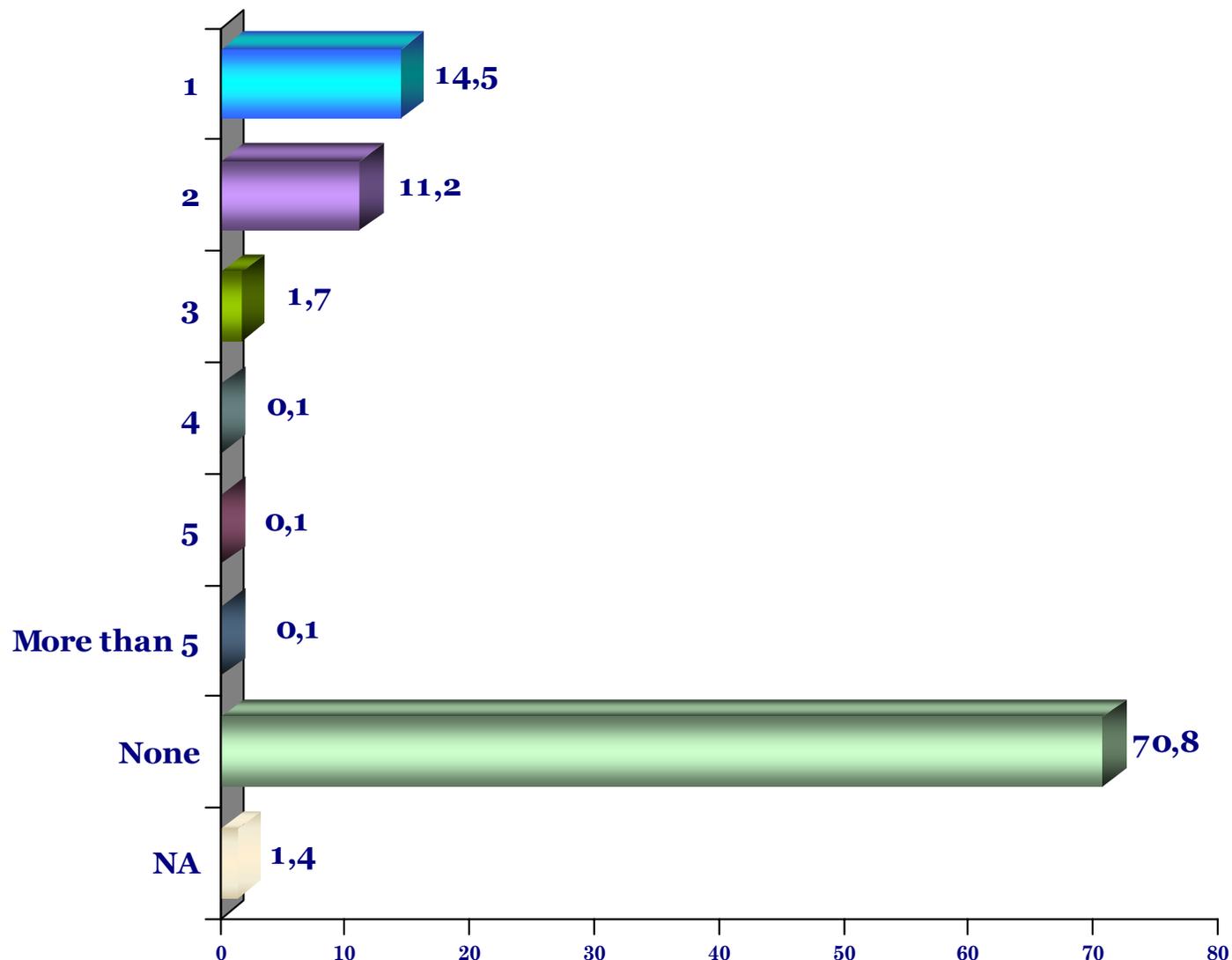


## Including you, how many people above the age of 15 live in your household?



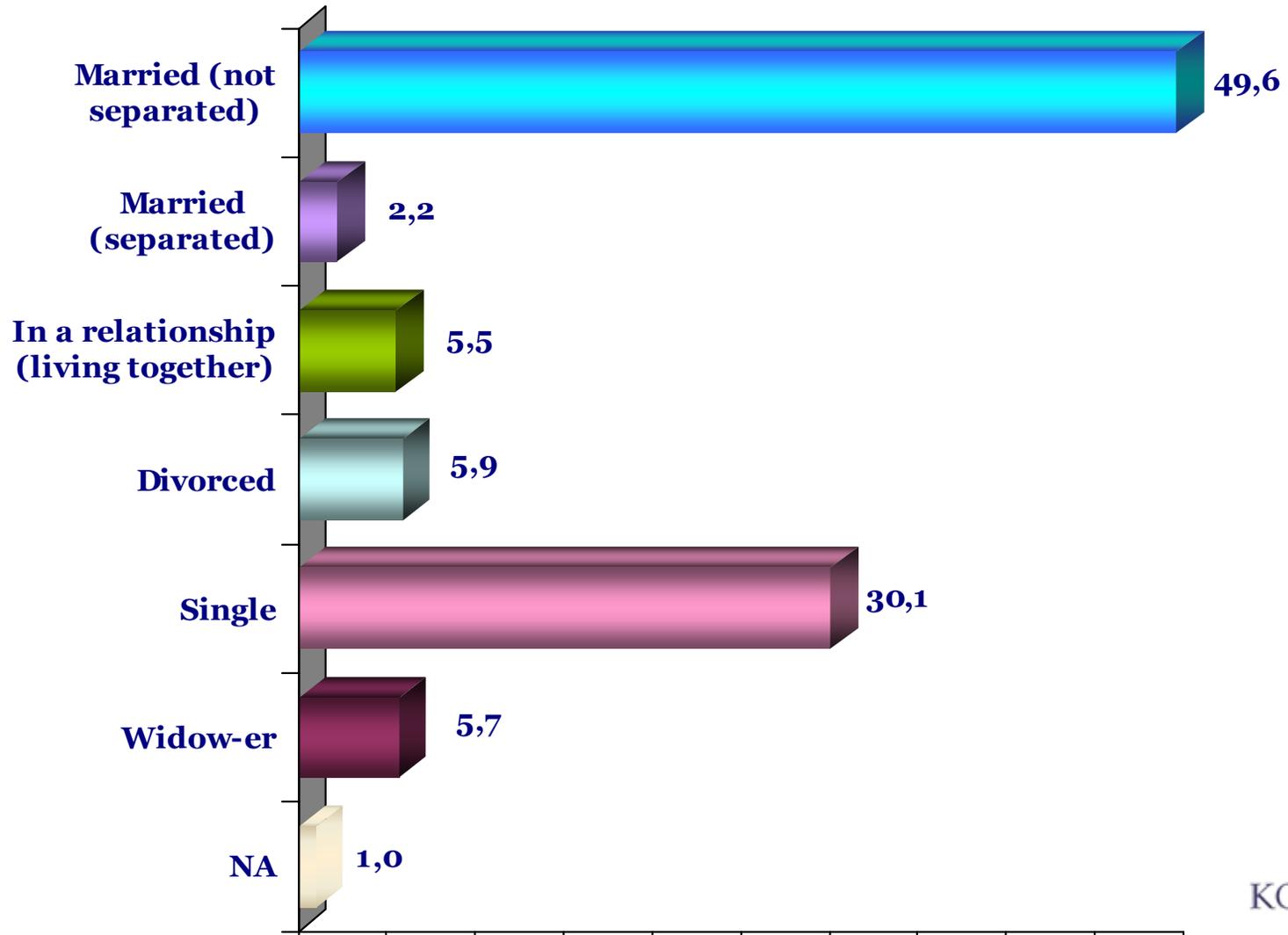


## How many children under the age of 13 live in your household?



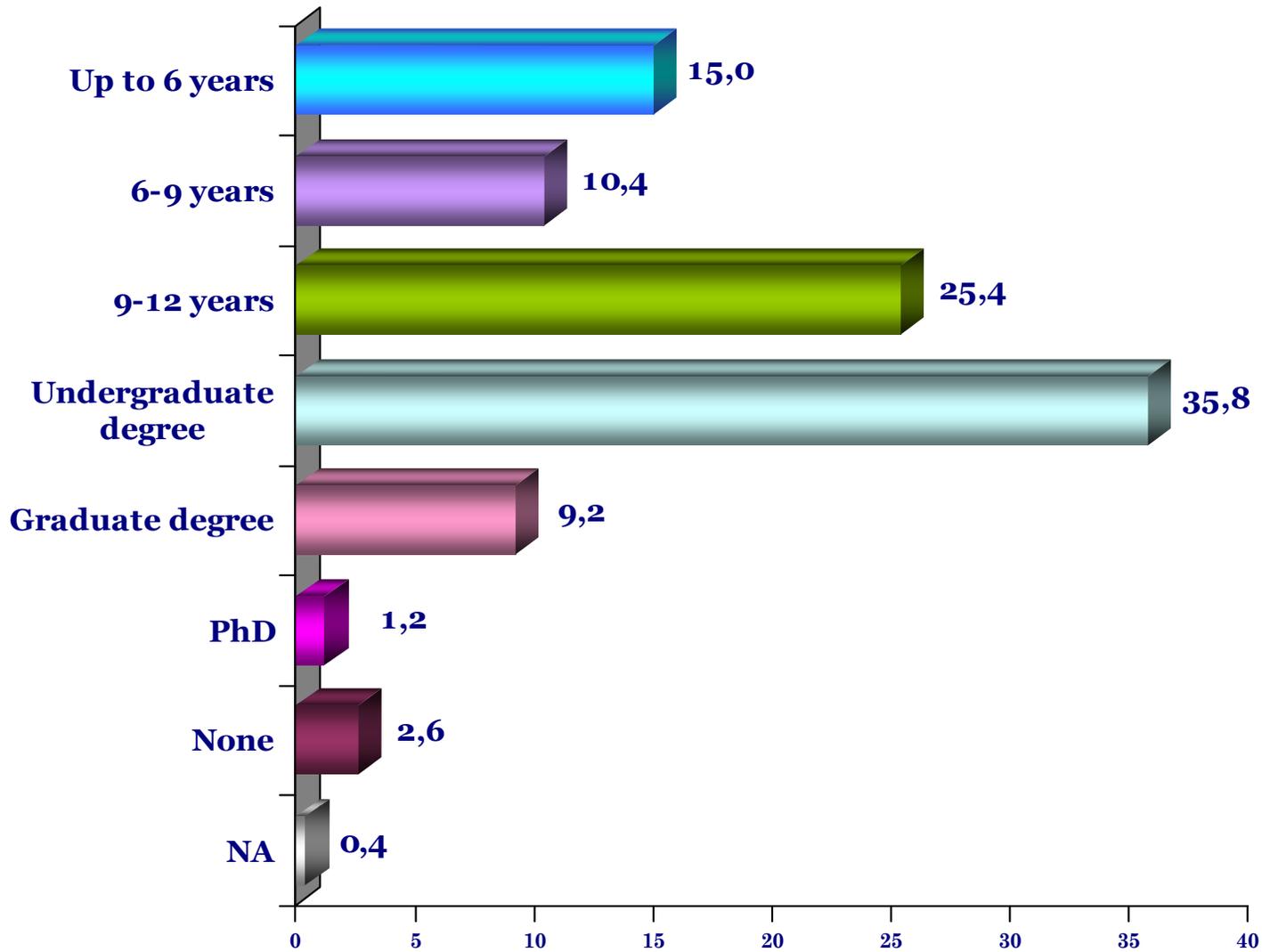


## Which of the phrases below describes your current condition?



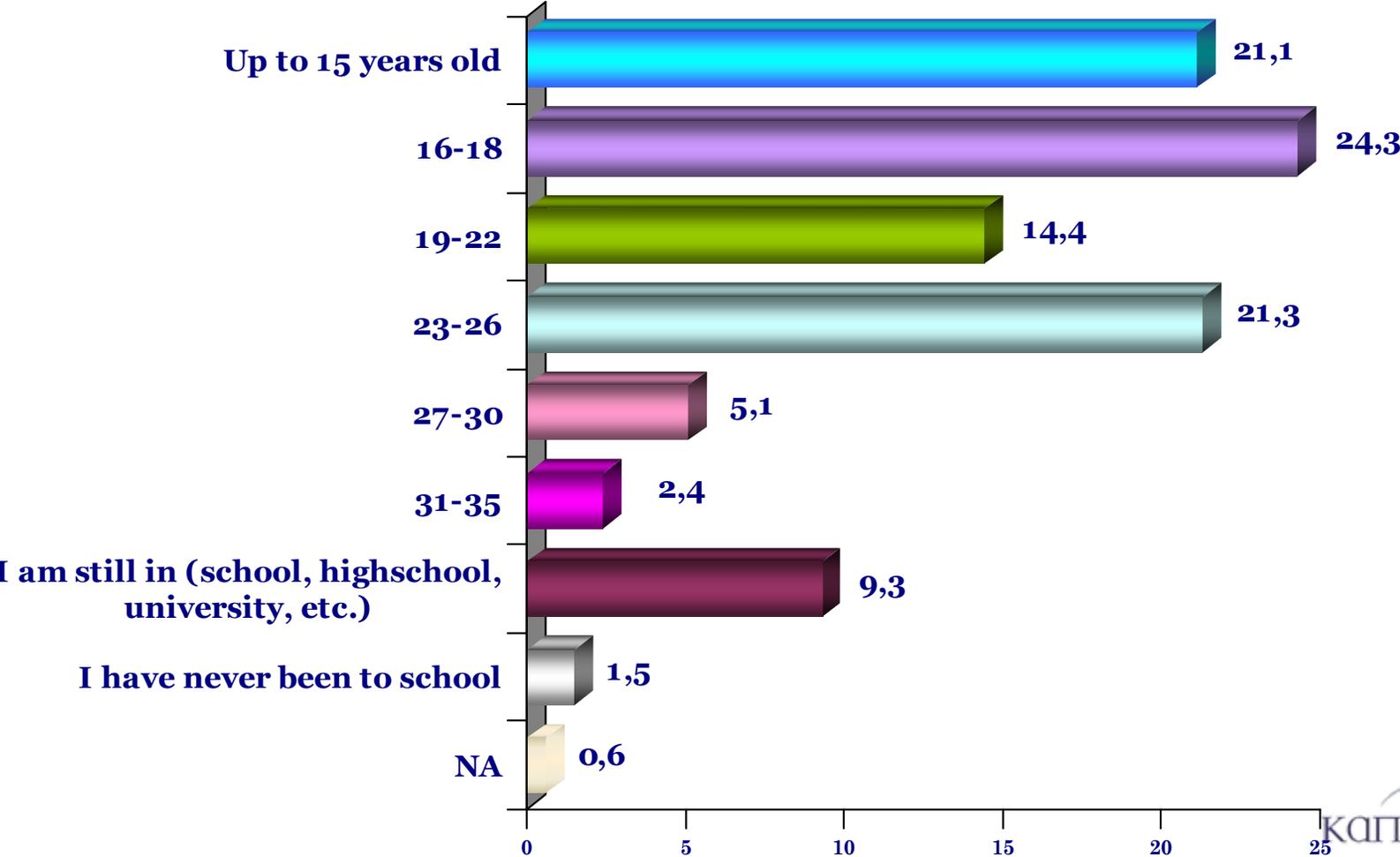


## Education



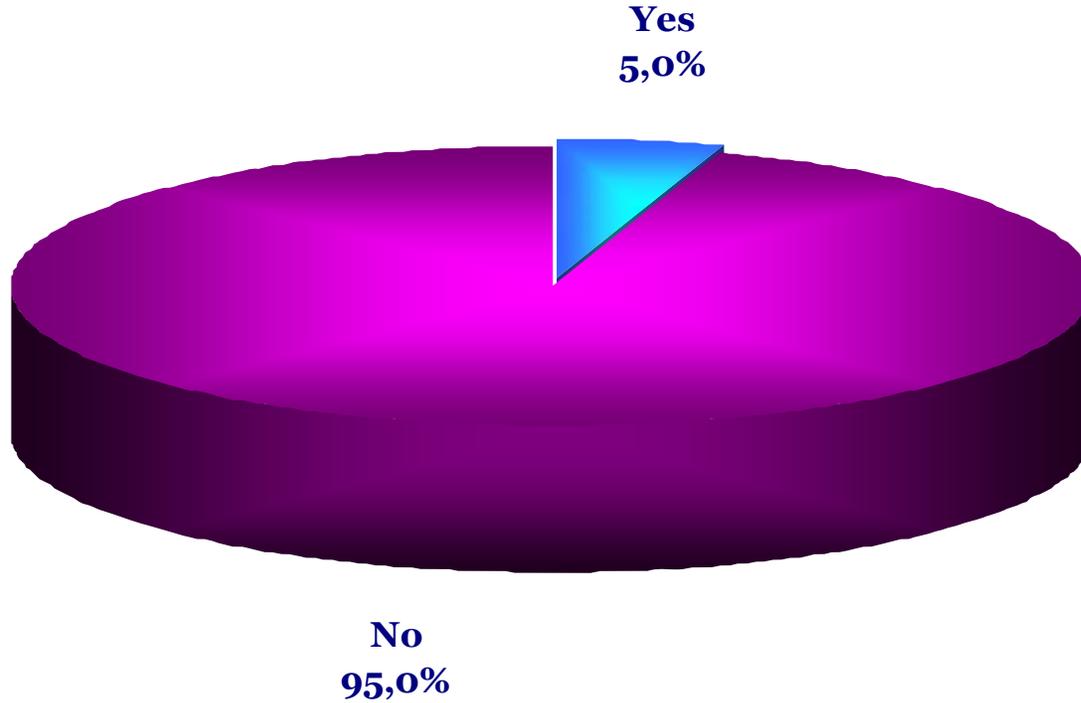


# How old were you when you graduated from the last academic institution you attended (school, highschool, university, etc.)





## Are you or have you ever been homeless?





## *Chapter B:*



# LIVING CONDITIONS



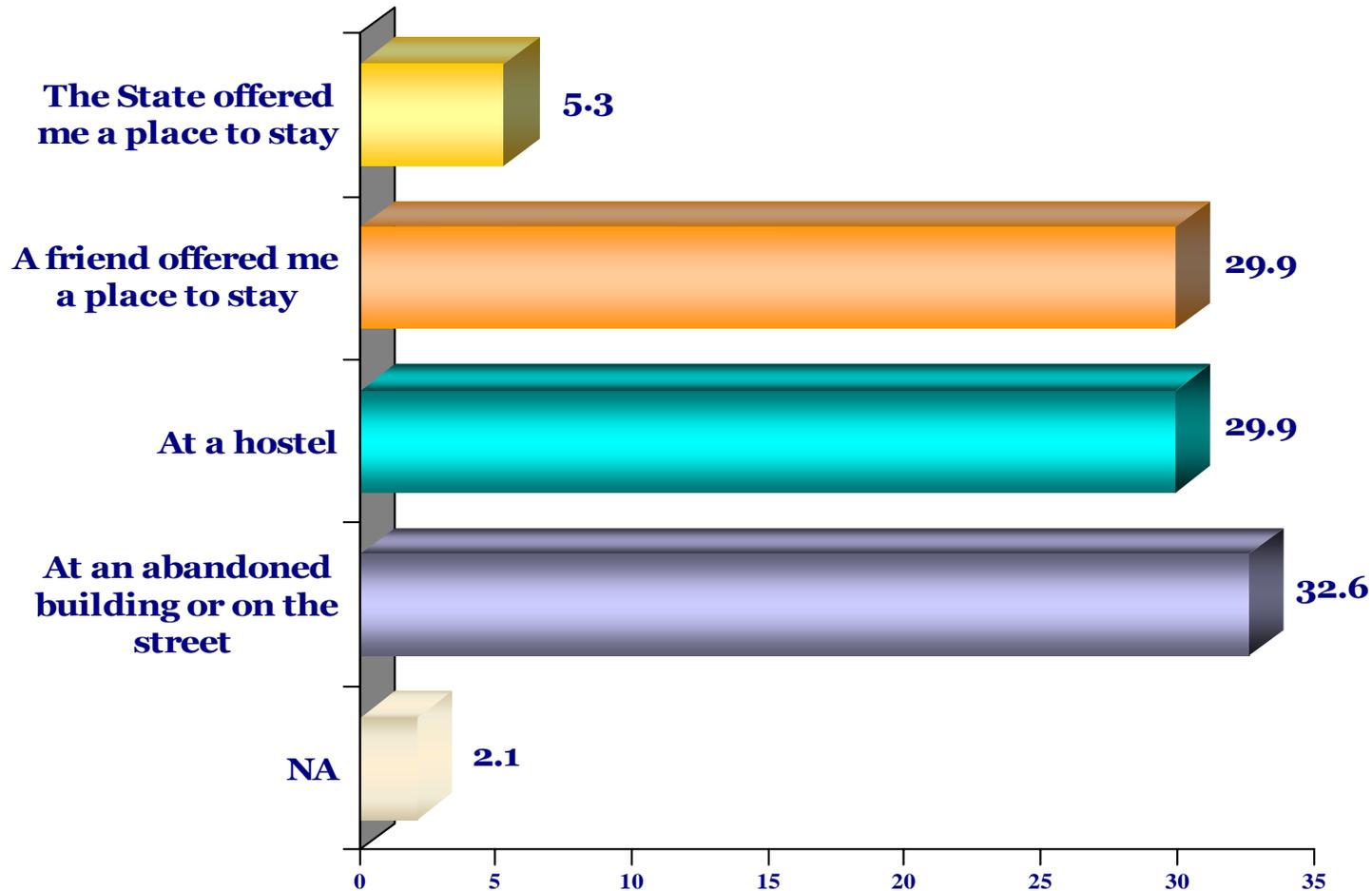
# Accommodation

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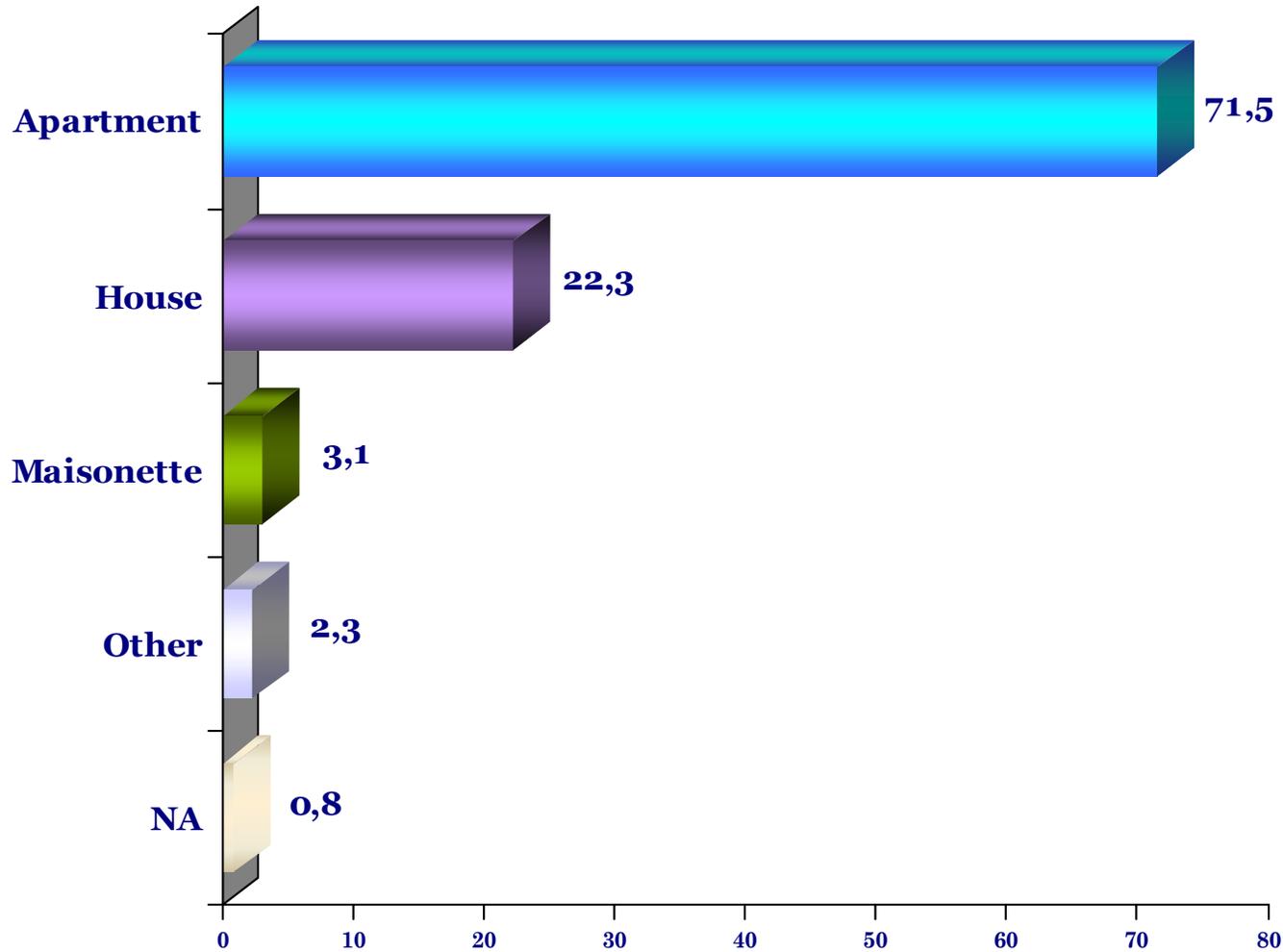
## Where do you live or were you living at this time?

Base: those answered that “they are” or “have been” homeless



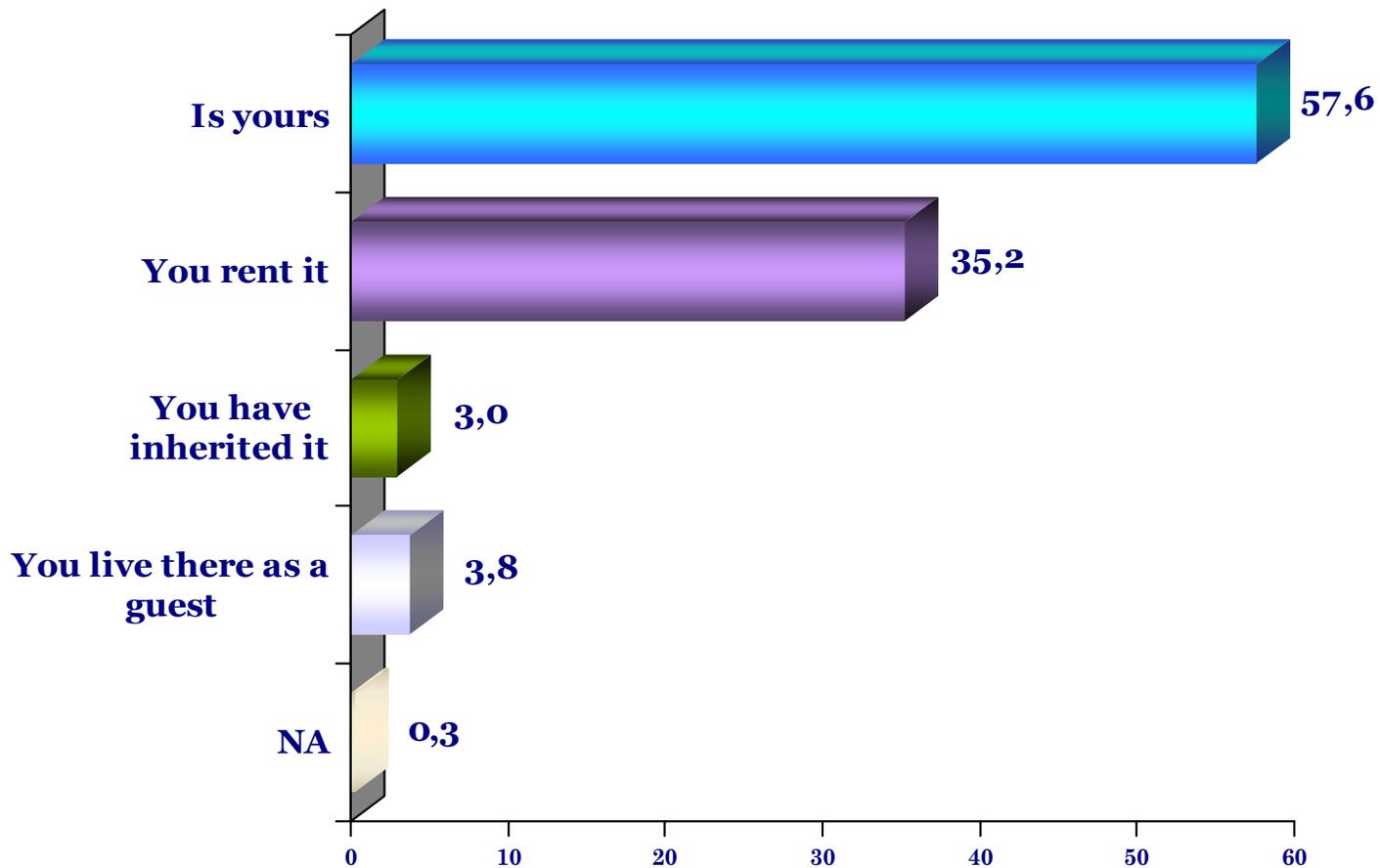


## The house you live in is a/an:



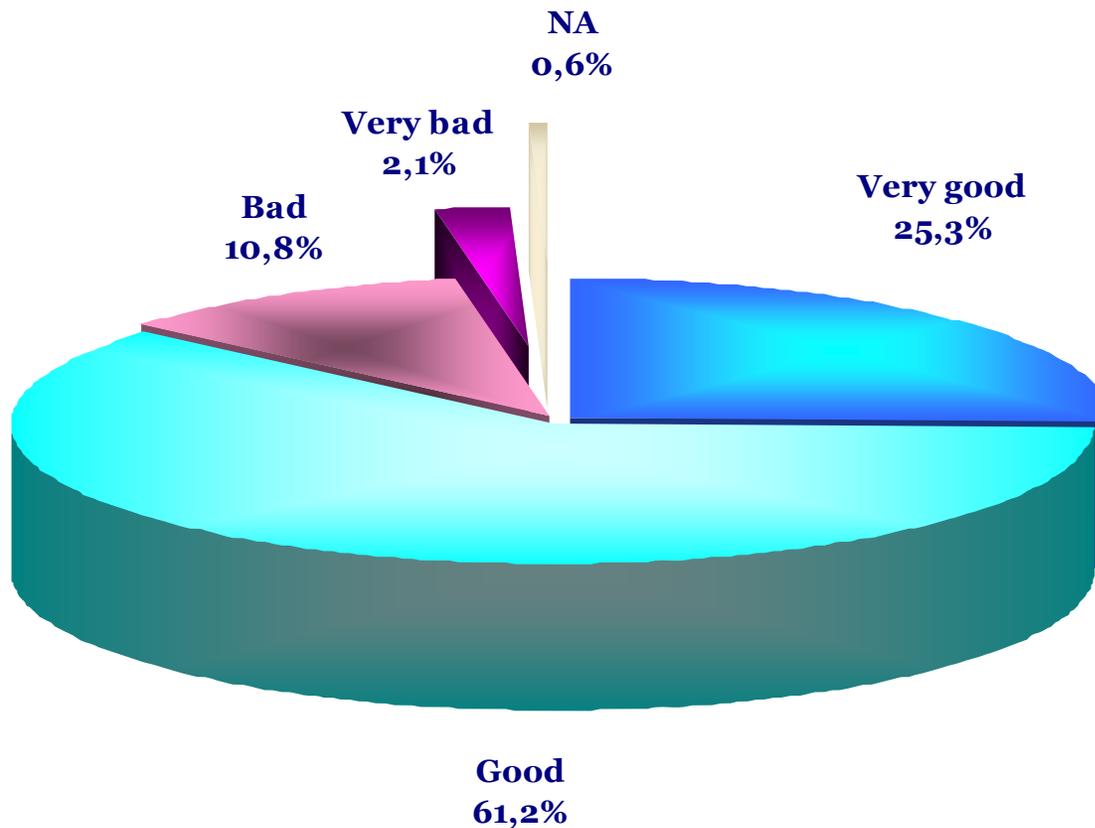


## The house you live in:



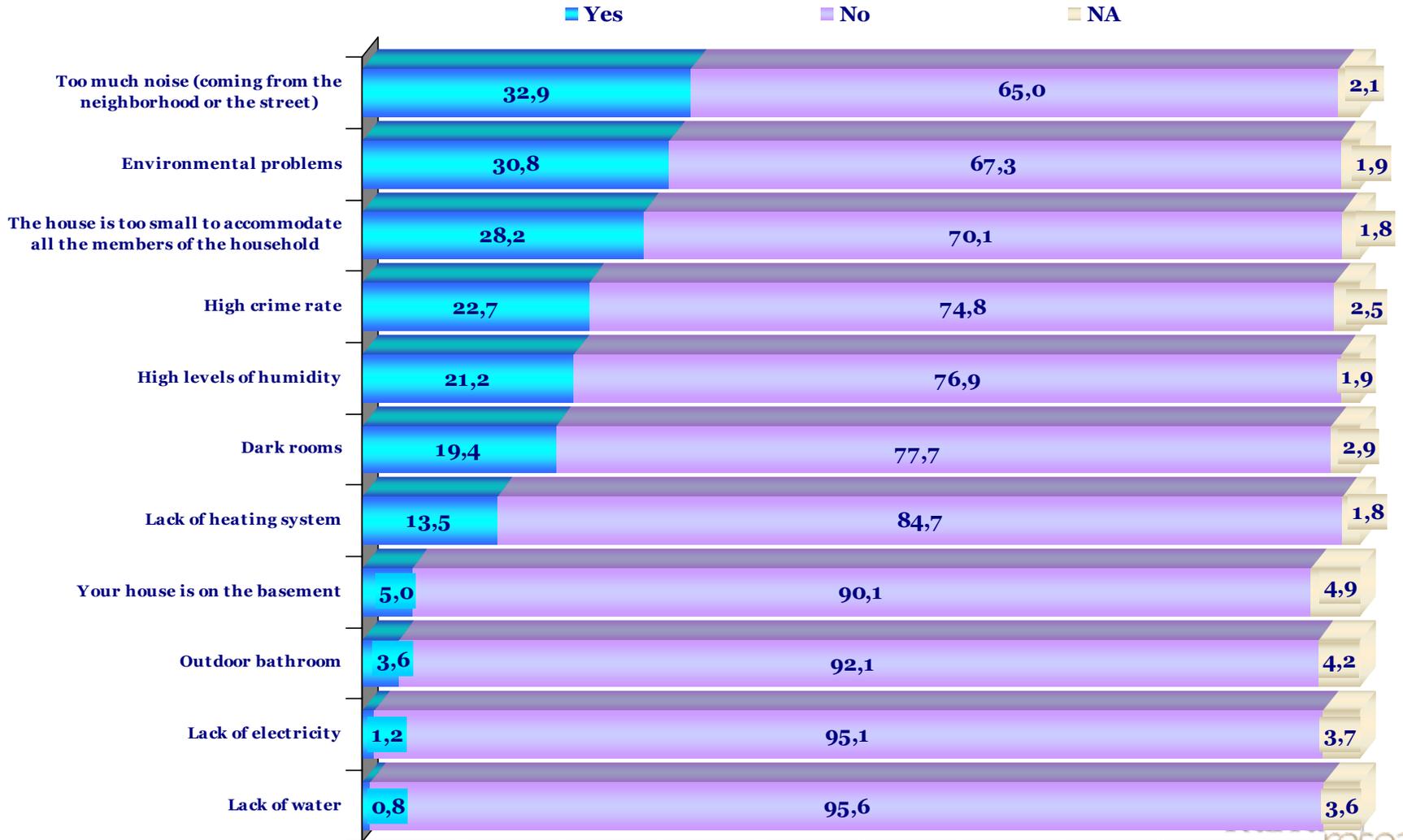


**Generally speaking,  
would you say that the conditions of the house you live in are:**



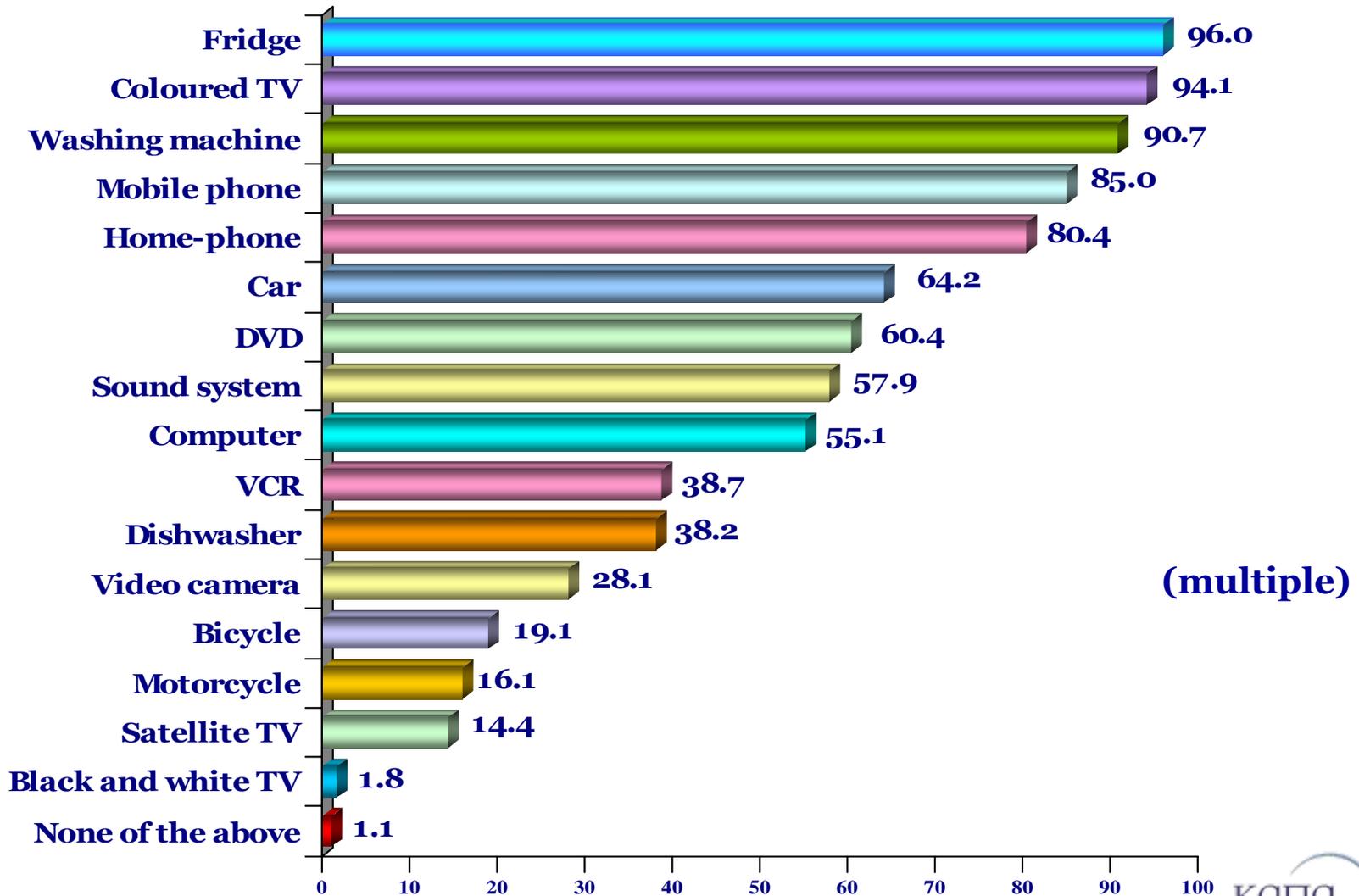


## Do you face any of the following problems (concerning the house you live in)?



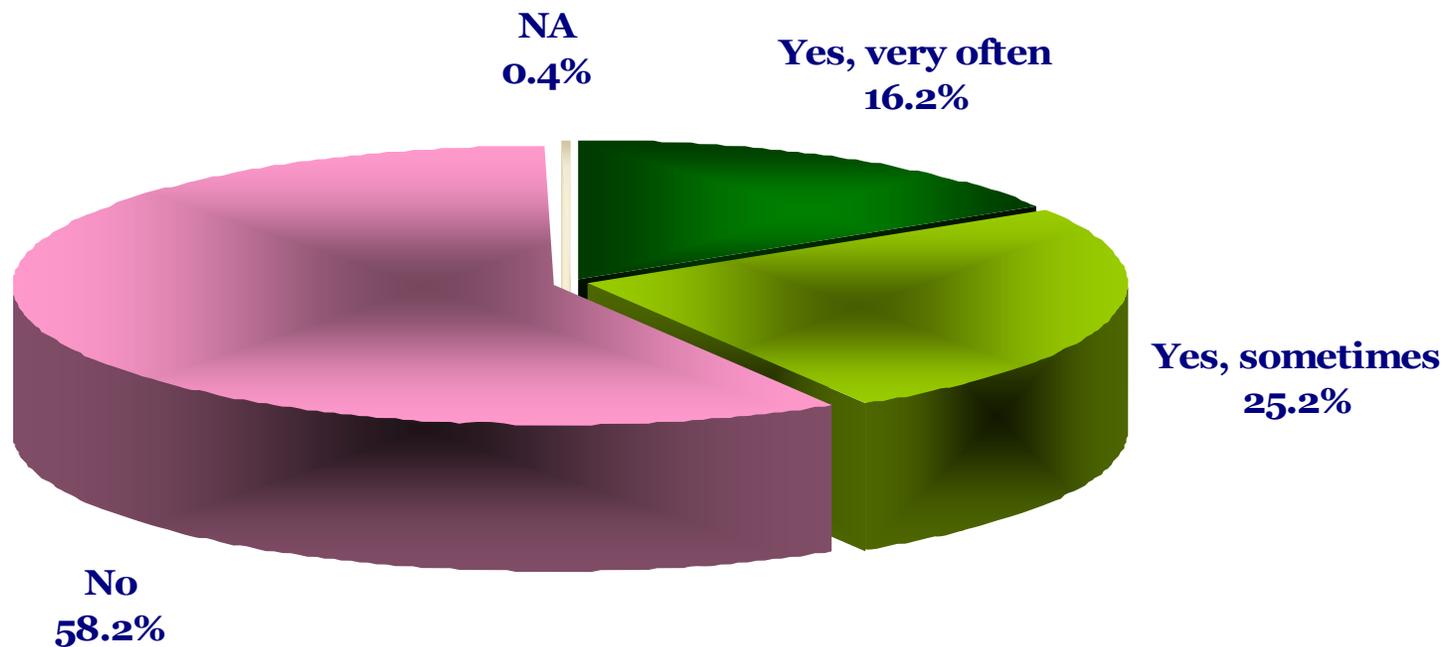


## Do you own any of the following products?





## Do you have friends of family living in rural areas providing you with basic foods (olive oil, fruits, meat, etc.)?





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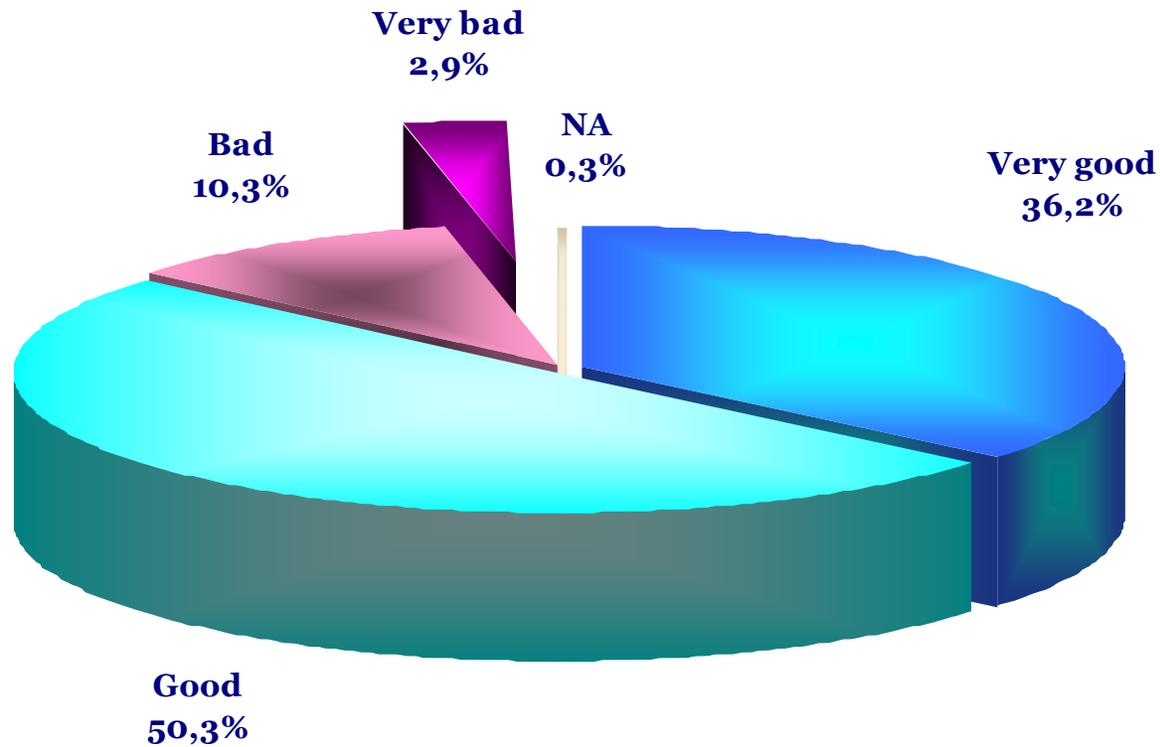


# Health

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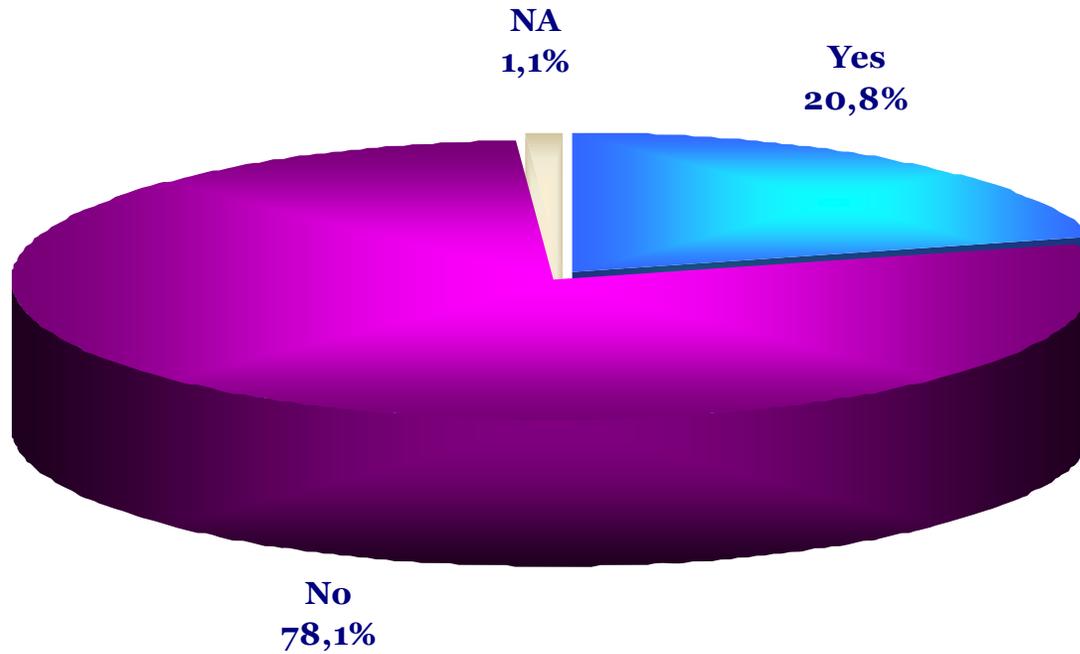


**We will now talk about your health.**  
**Generally speaking, how would you characterize your health?**



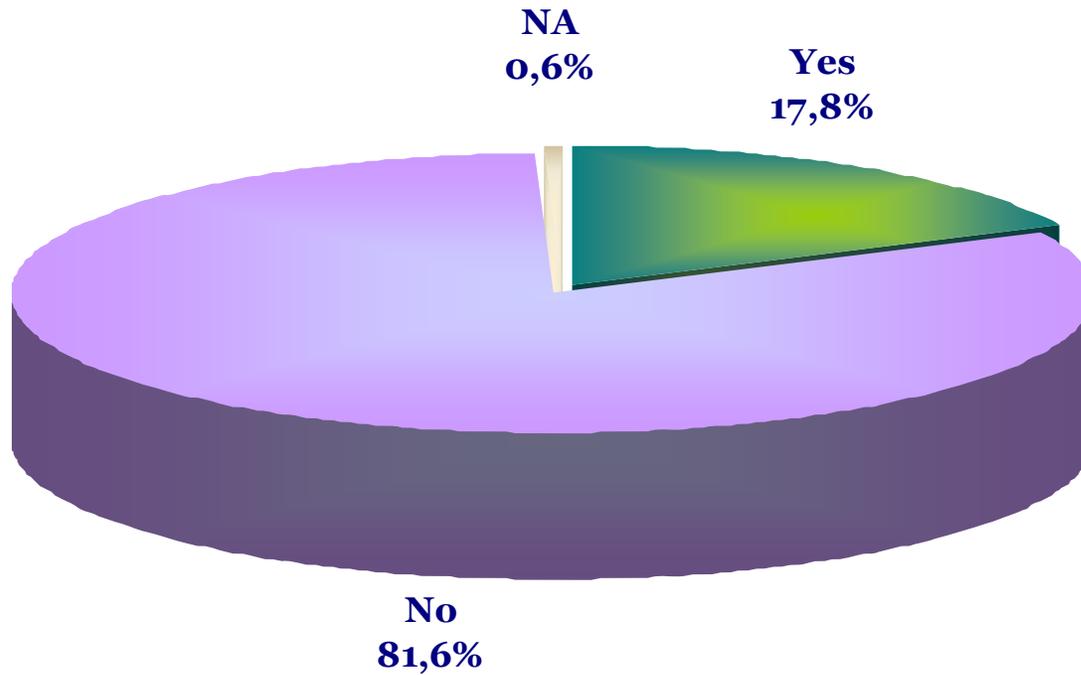


## Do you have a chronic health problem?



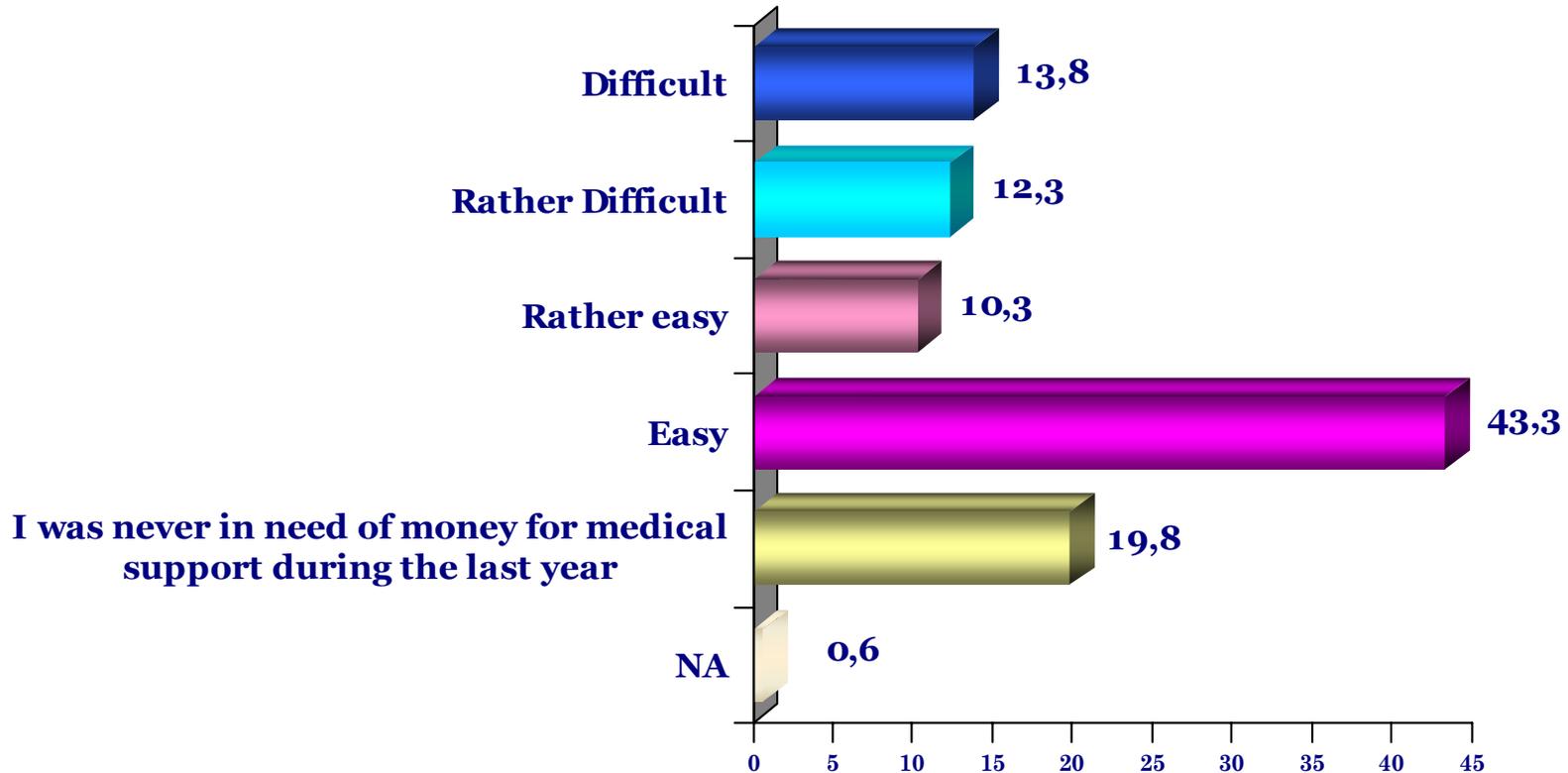


**During the last year,  
did you face any lack of healthcare because of its high cost?**



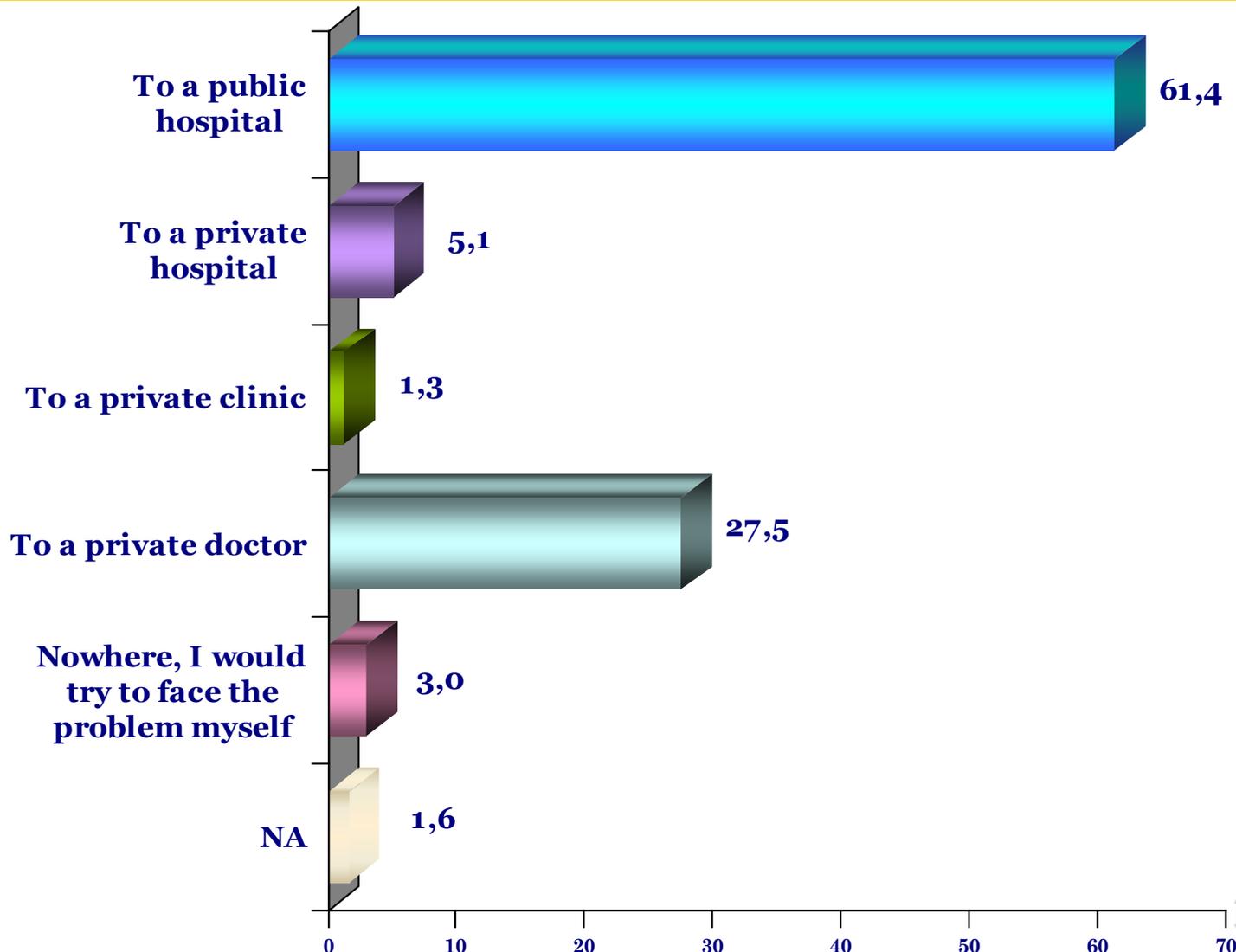


## During the last year, finding money to pay medical support for you or a member of your family was:



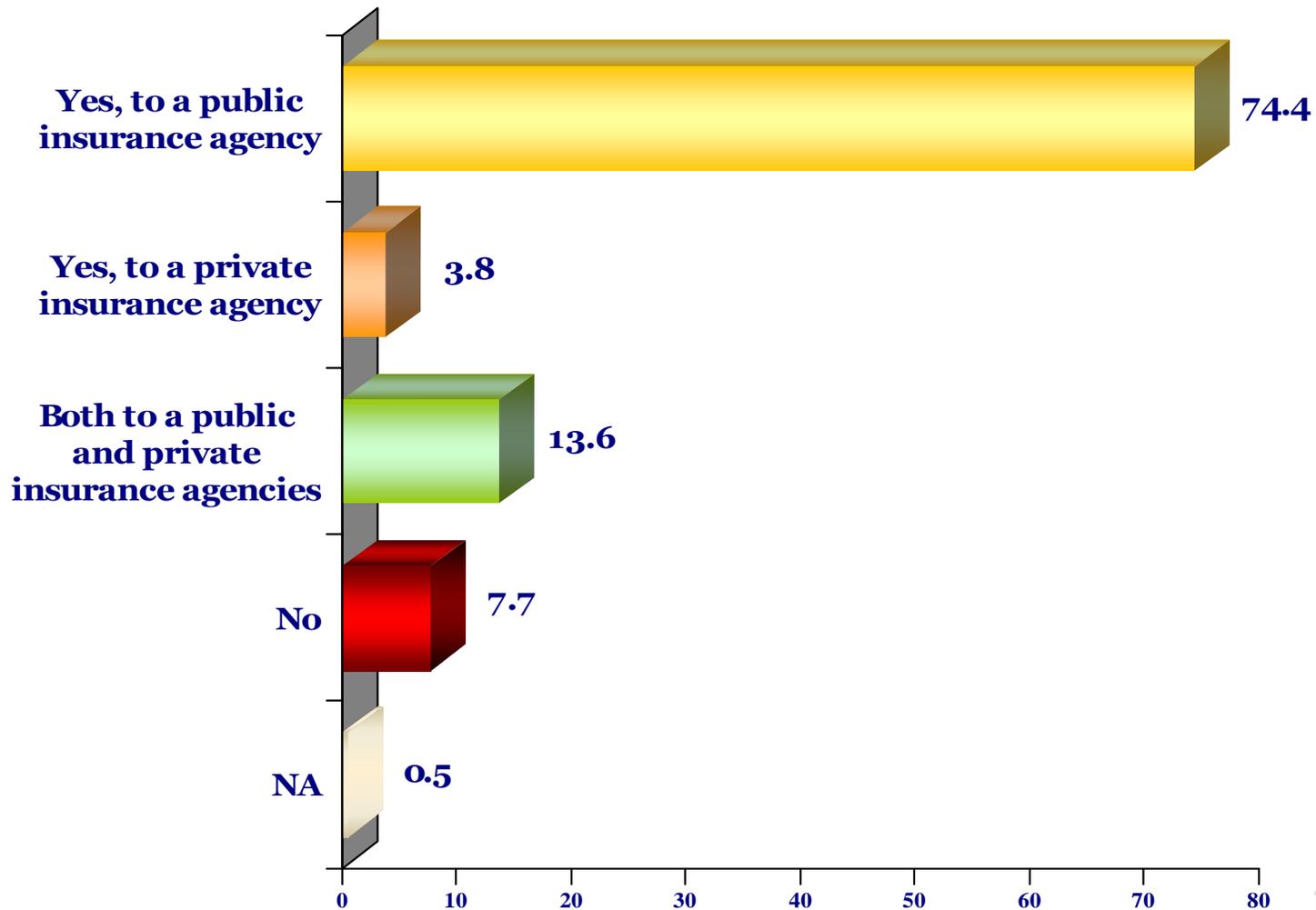


## Where would you go if you were in need of a doctor?



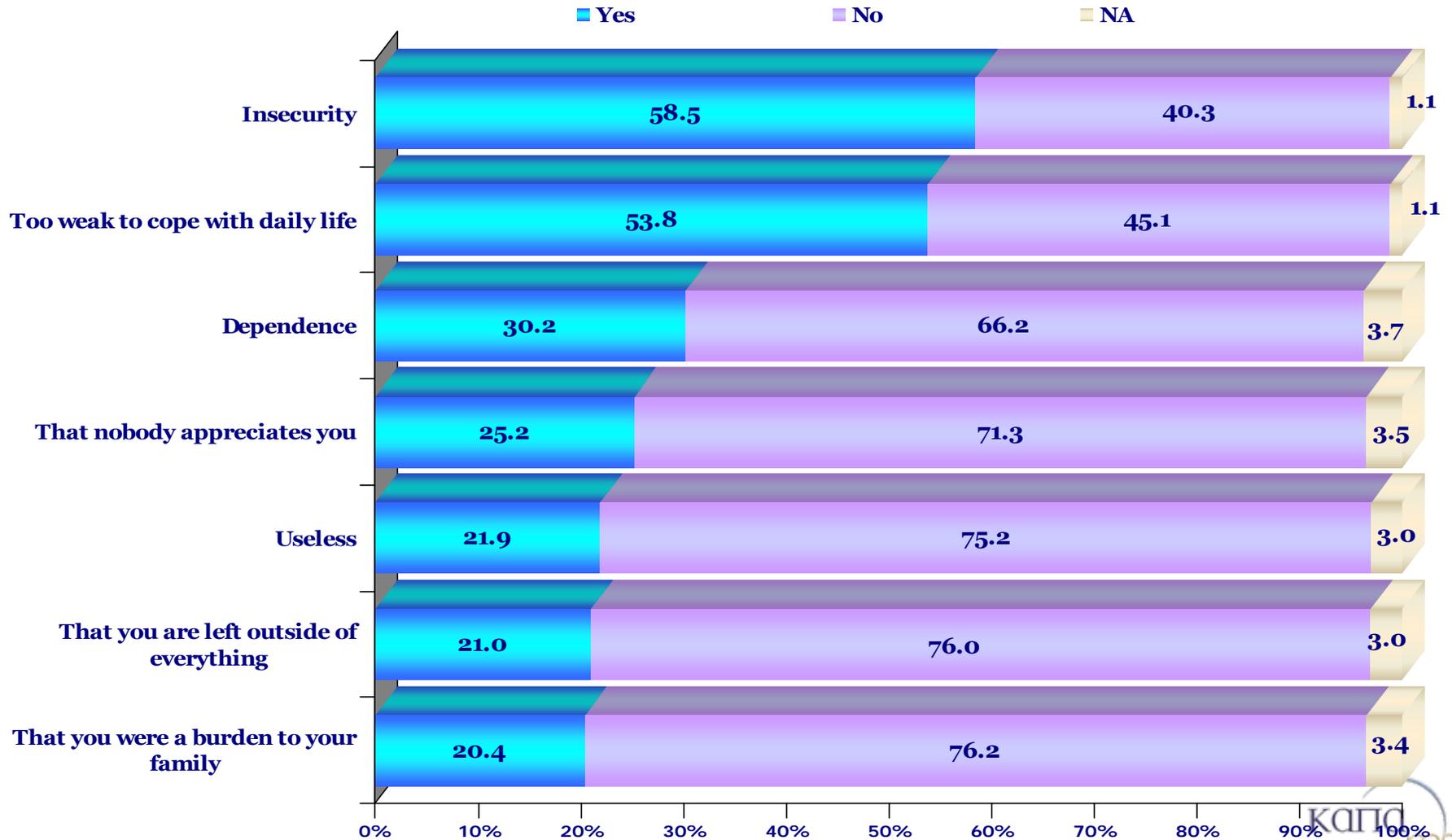


## Do you have life insurance?



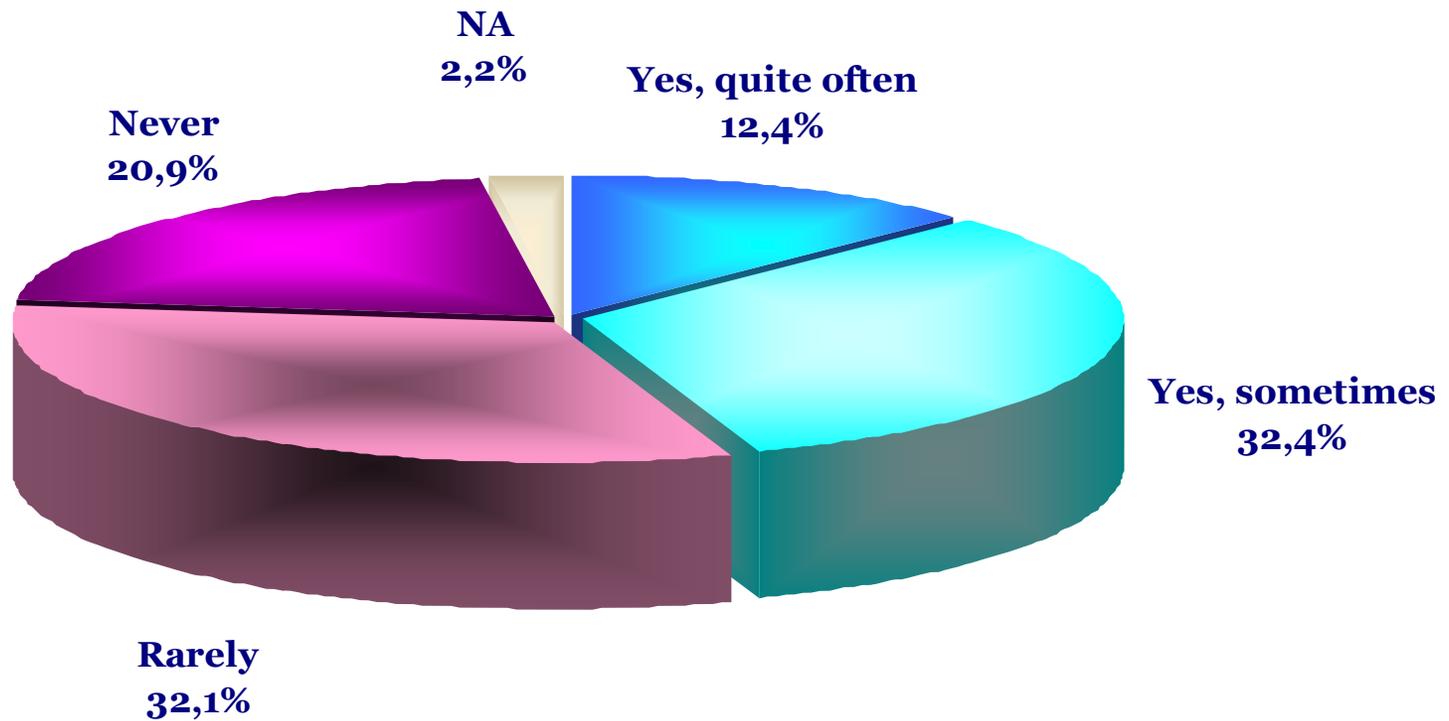


## During the last six months did you feel:



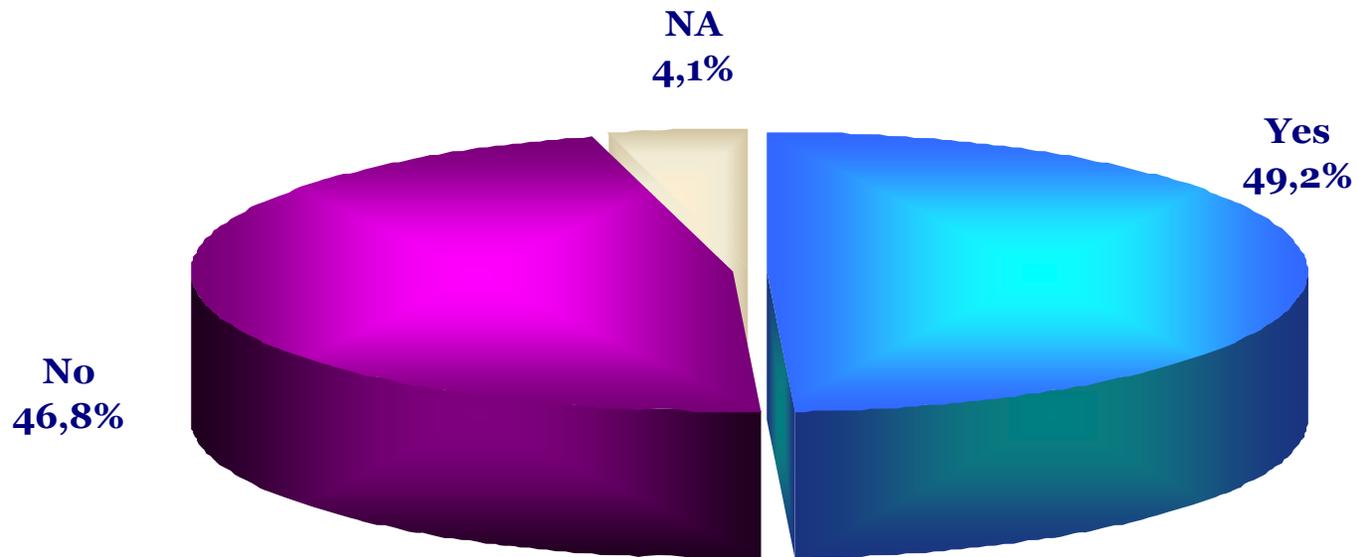


## Do you tend to blame yourself or feel guilty about something?



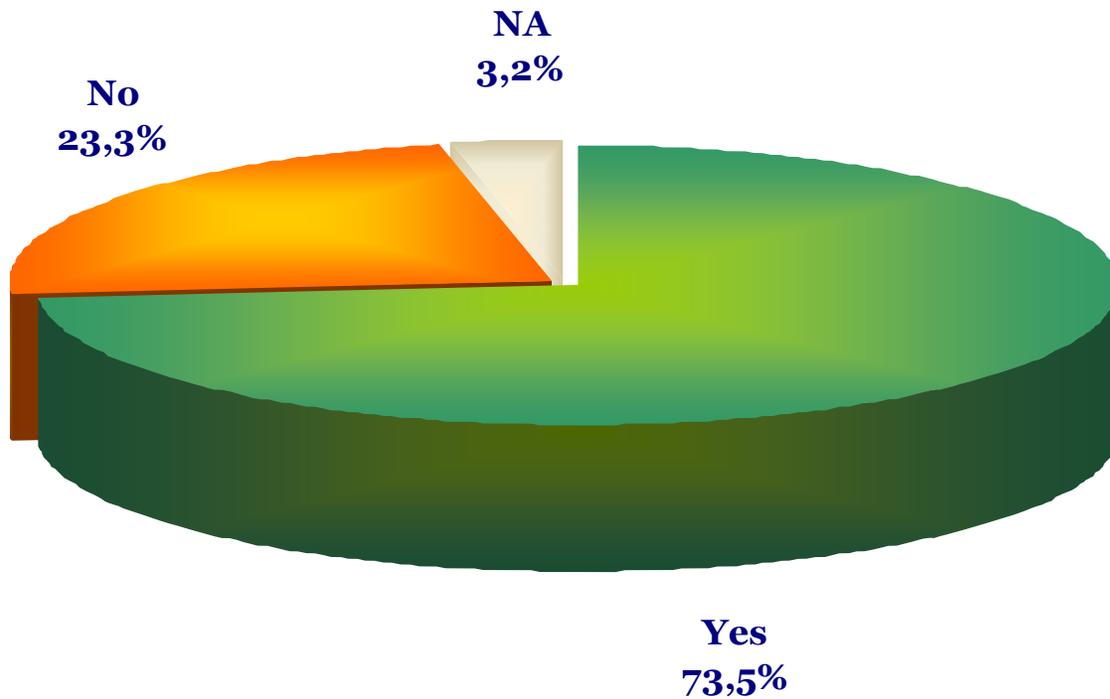


## Do you ever feel that society has been unfair with you?





## Generally speaking, would you say that you are optimistic about the future?





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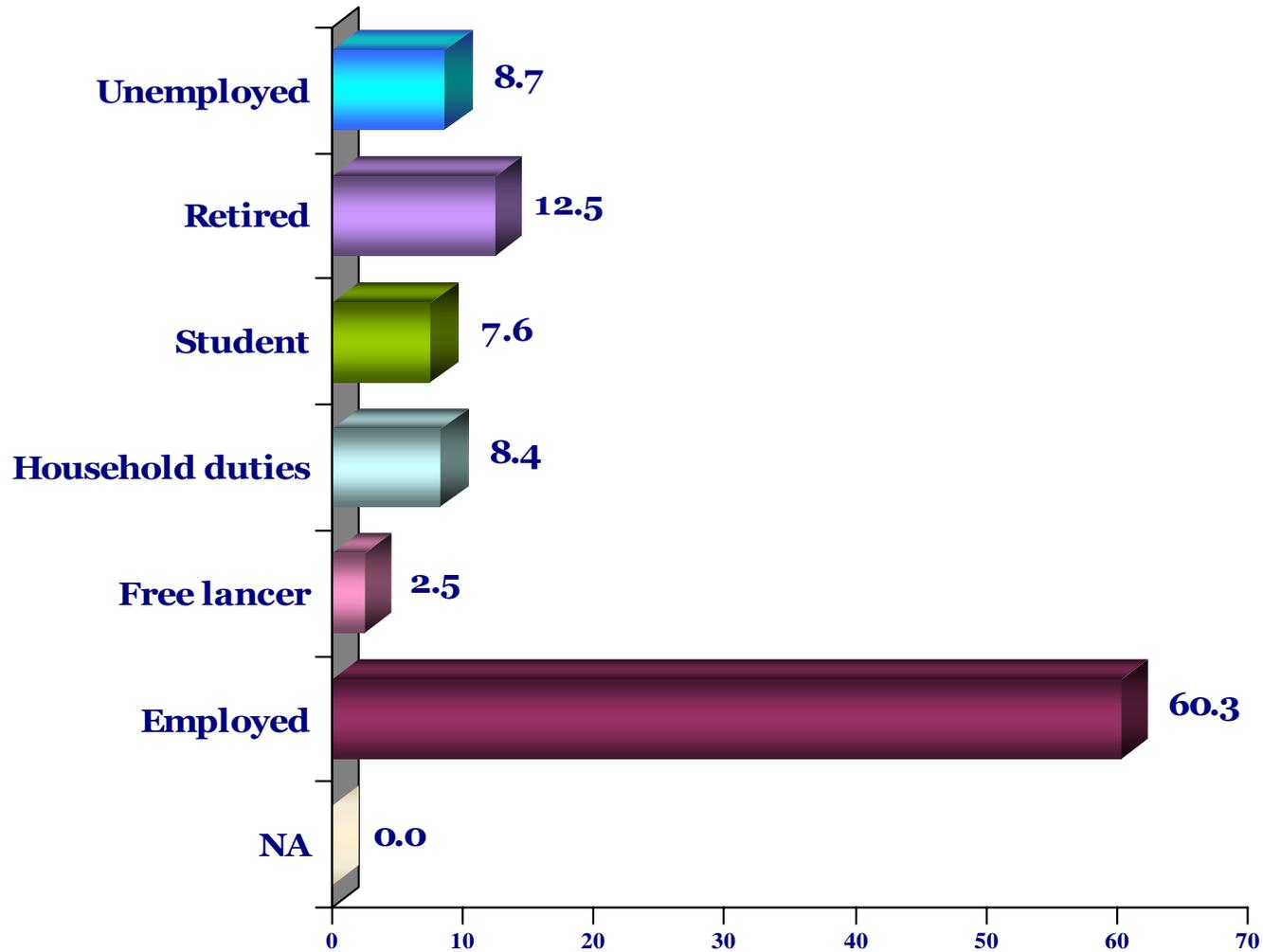


# Working Conditions

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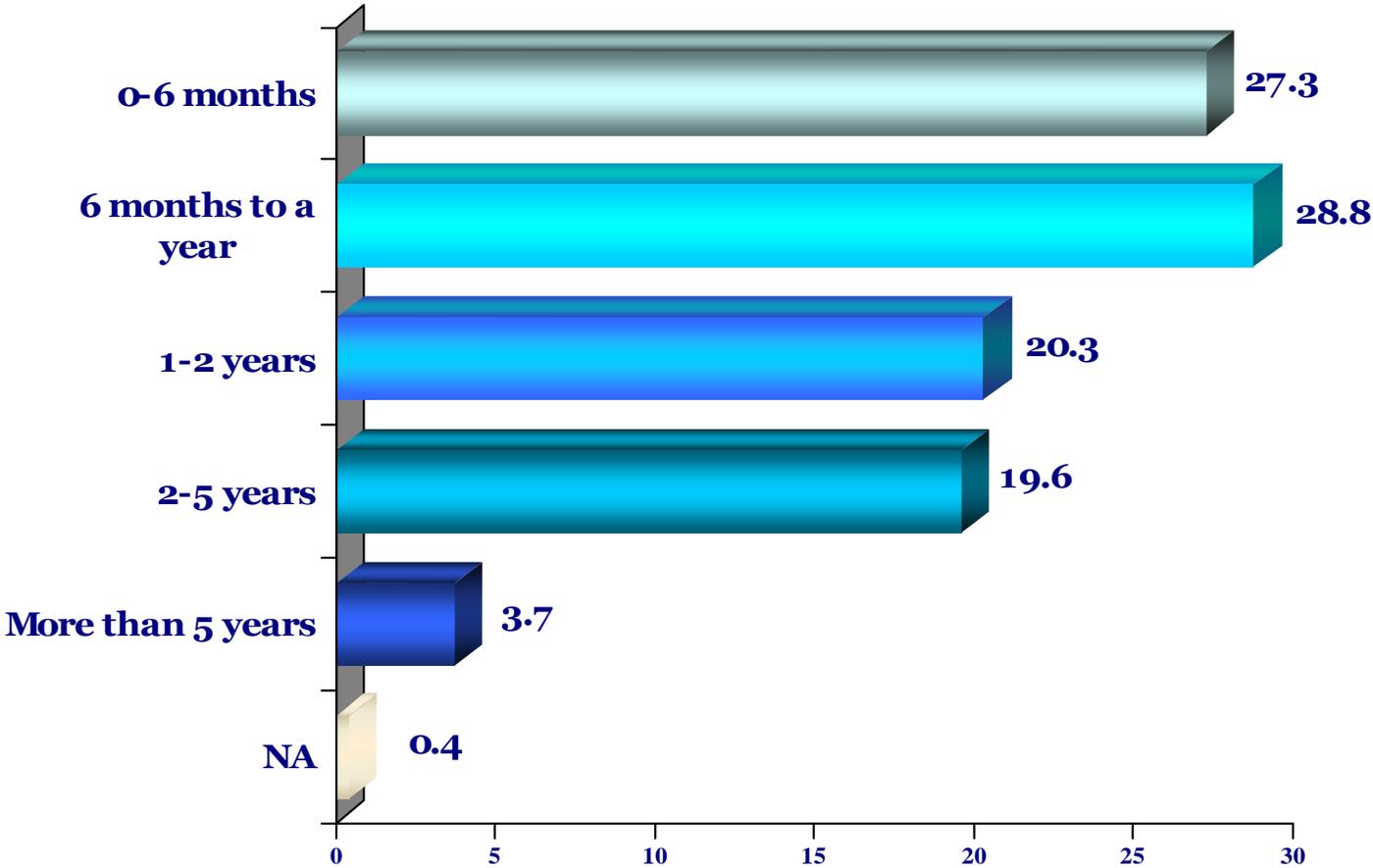
## You are:





# How long have you been you unemployed?

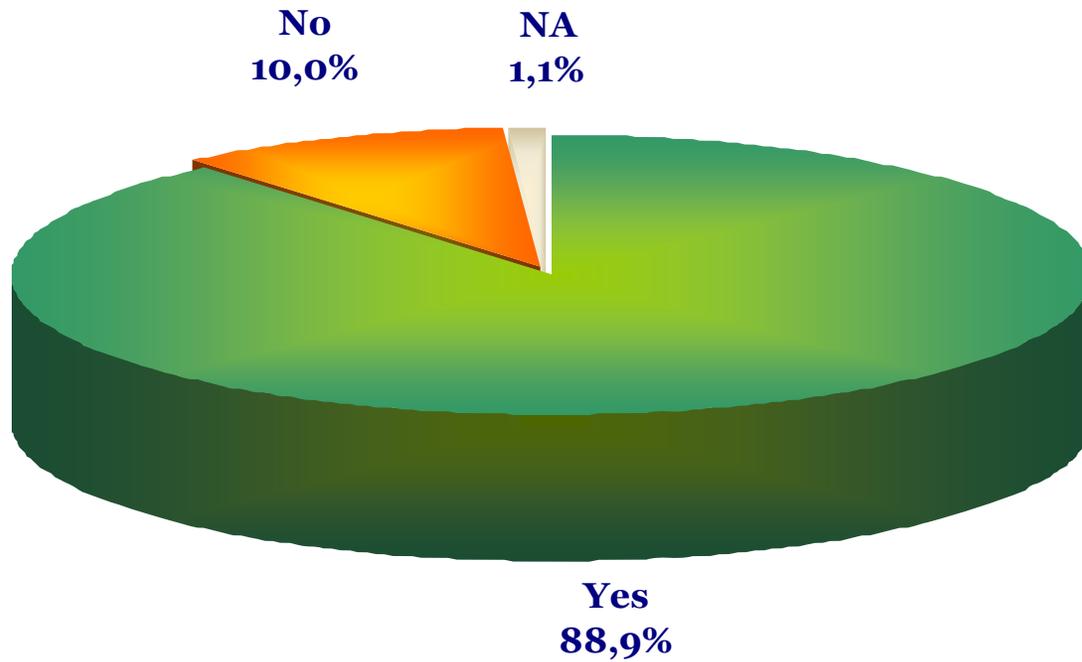
Base: those currently unemployed





## Were you ever employed?

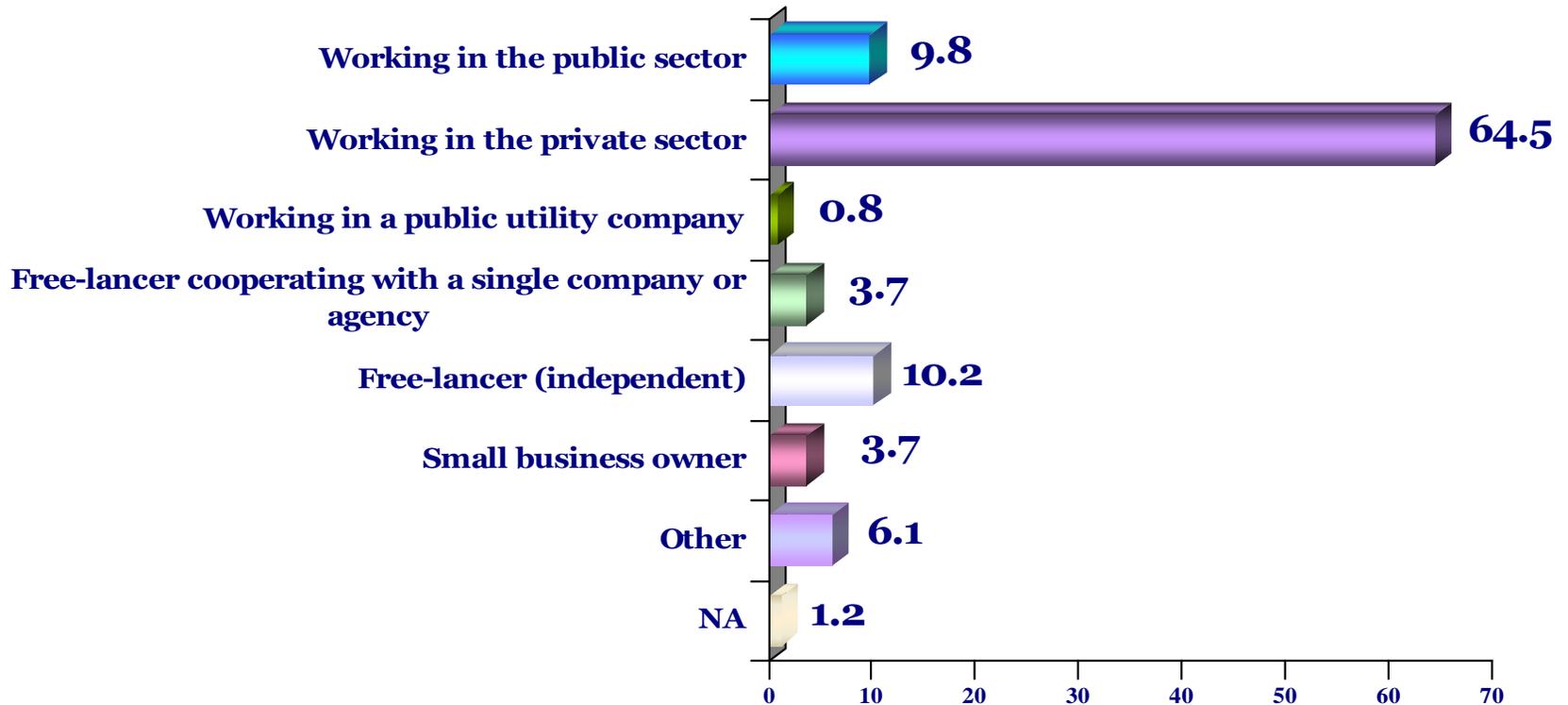
### Those who are unemployed





## Your occupation was:

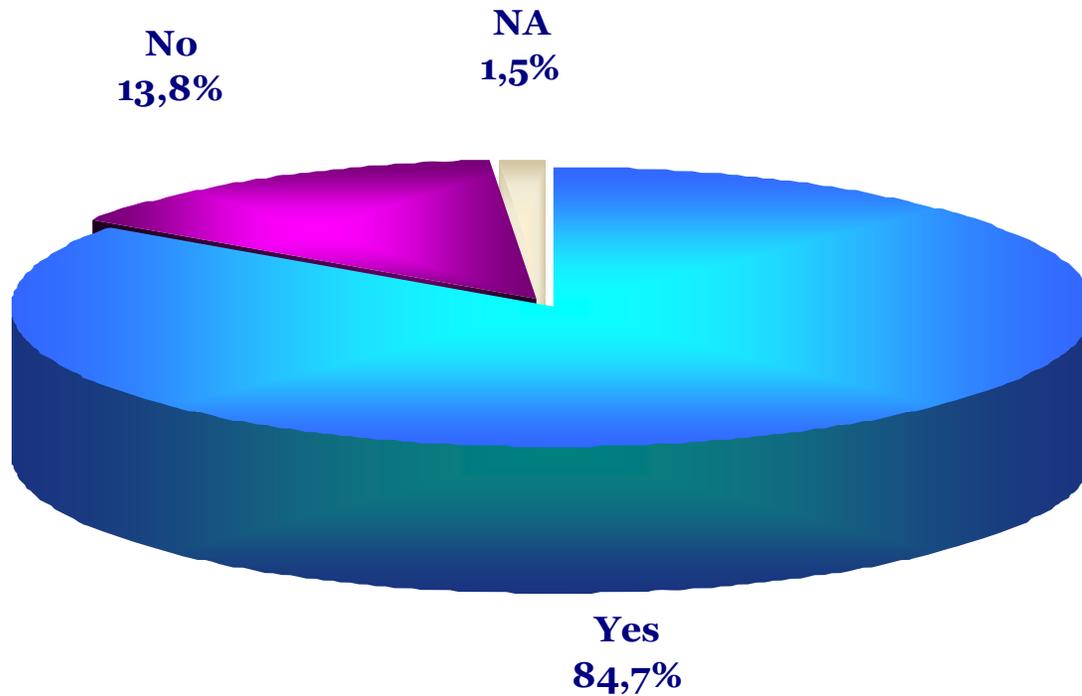
### Those who are unemployed





## Are you currently searching for a job?

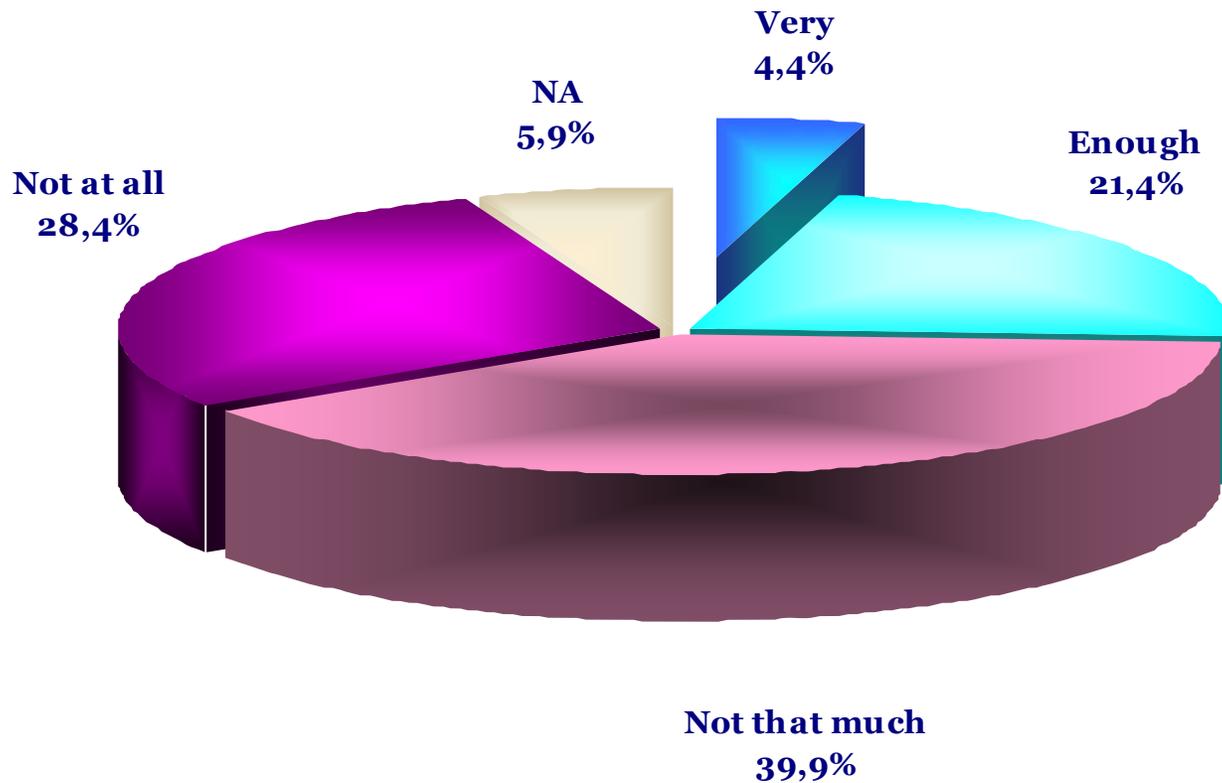
### Those who are unemployed





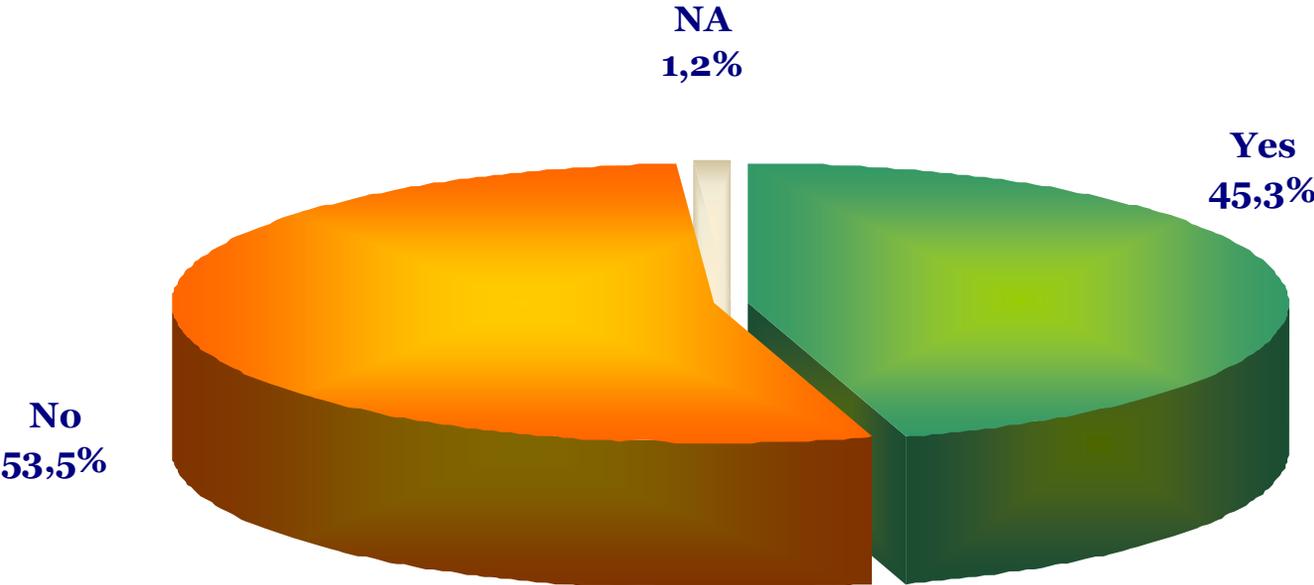
## How optimistic are you on finding a job?

### Those who are unemployed





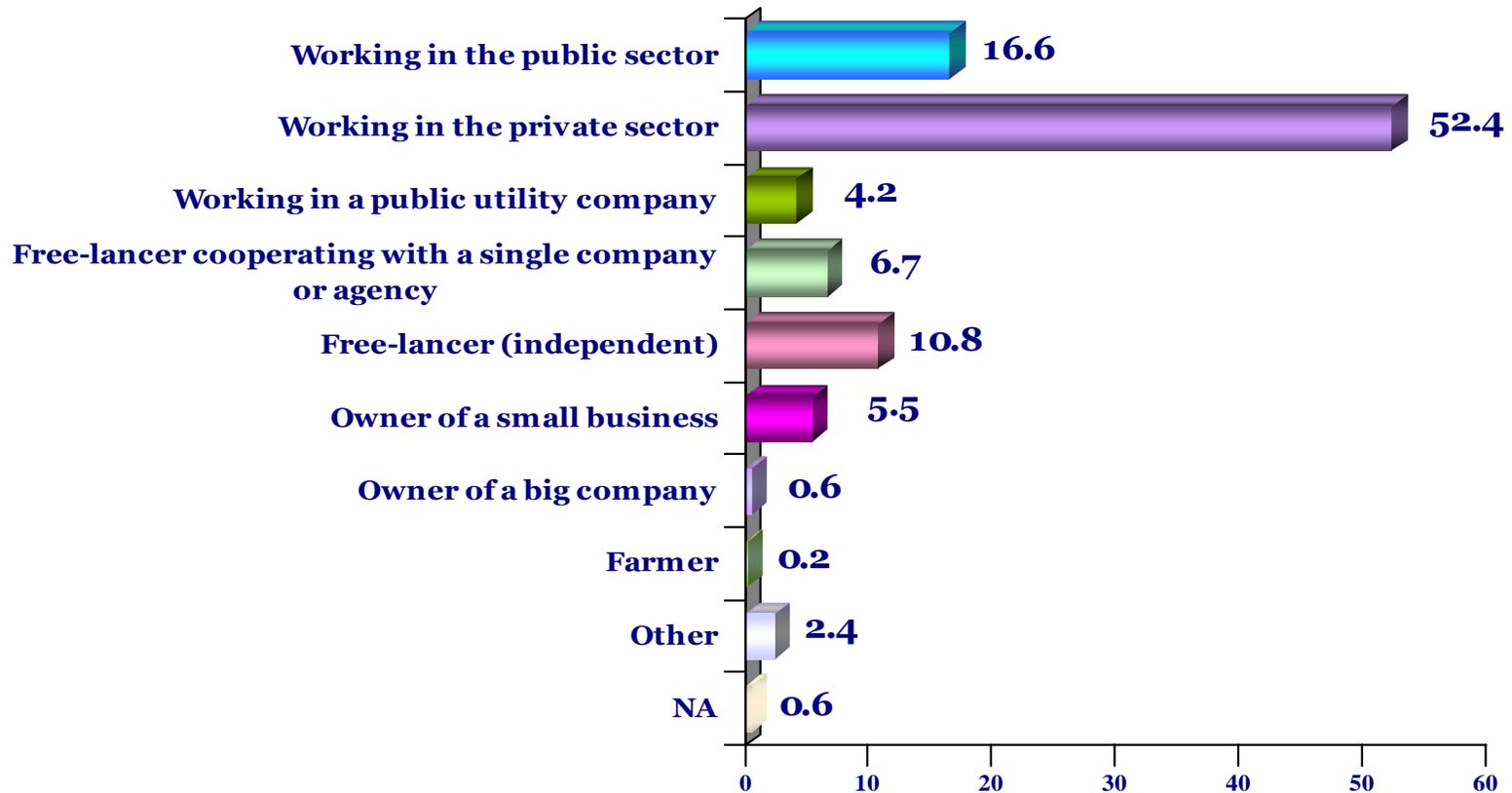
## Are you currently employed or taking part in any kind of working activity?





## Occupation?

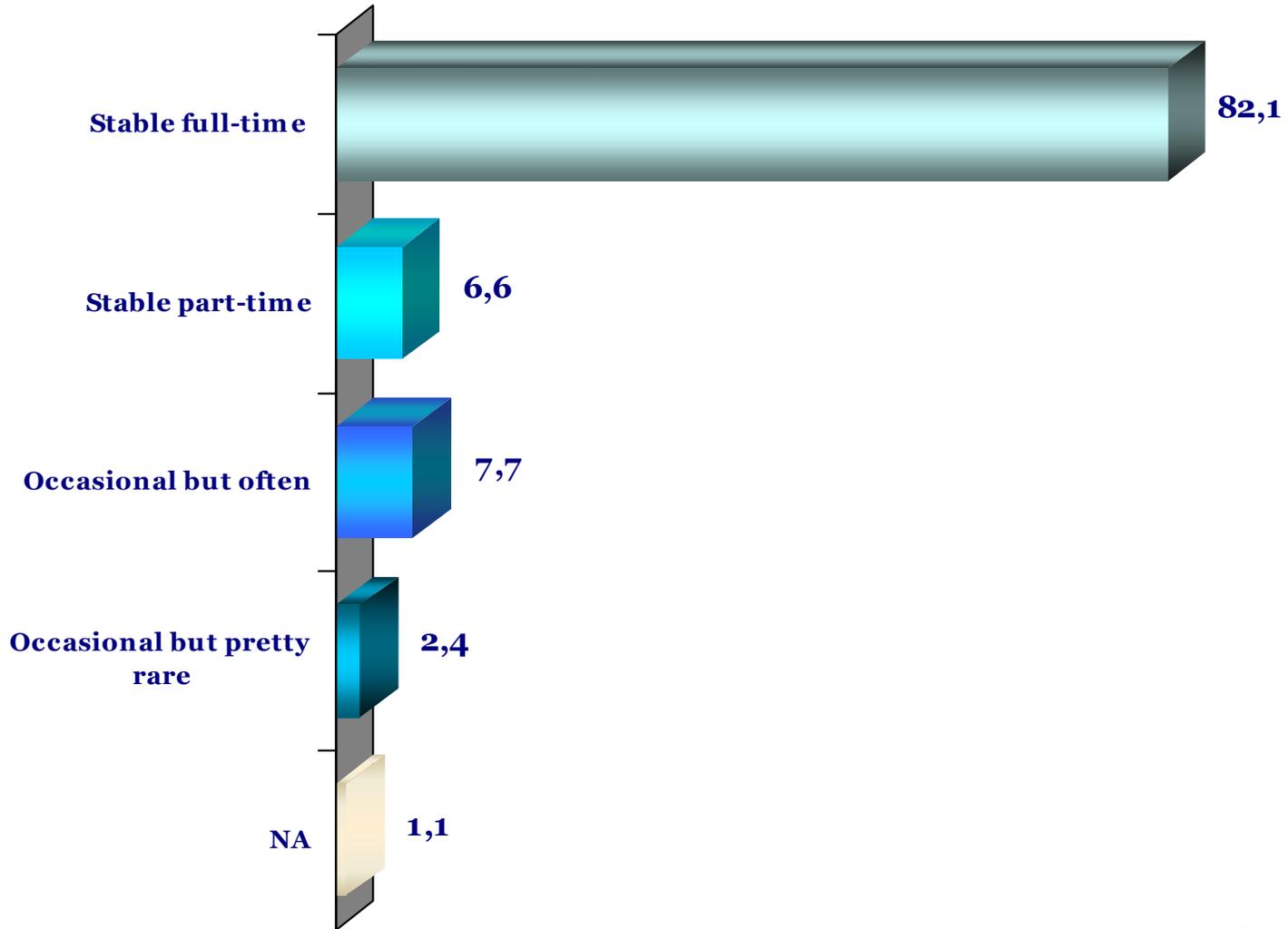
**Base: Those who are currently employed or taking part in any kind of working activity**





## How would you describe your current working condition?

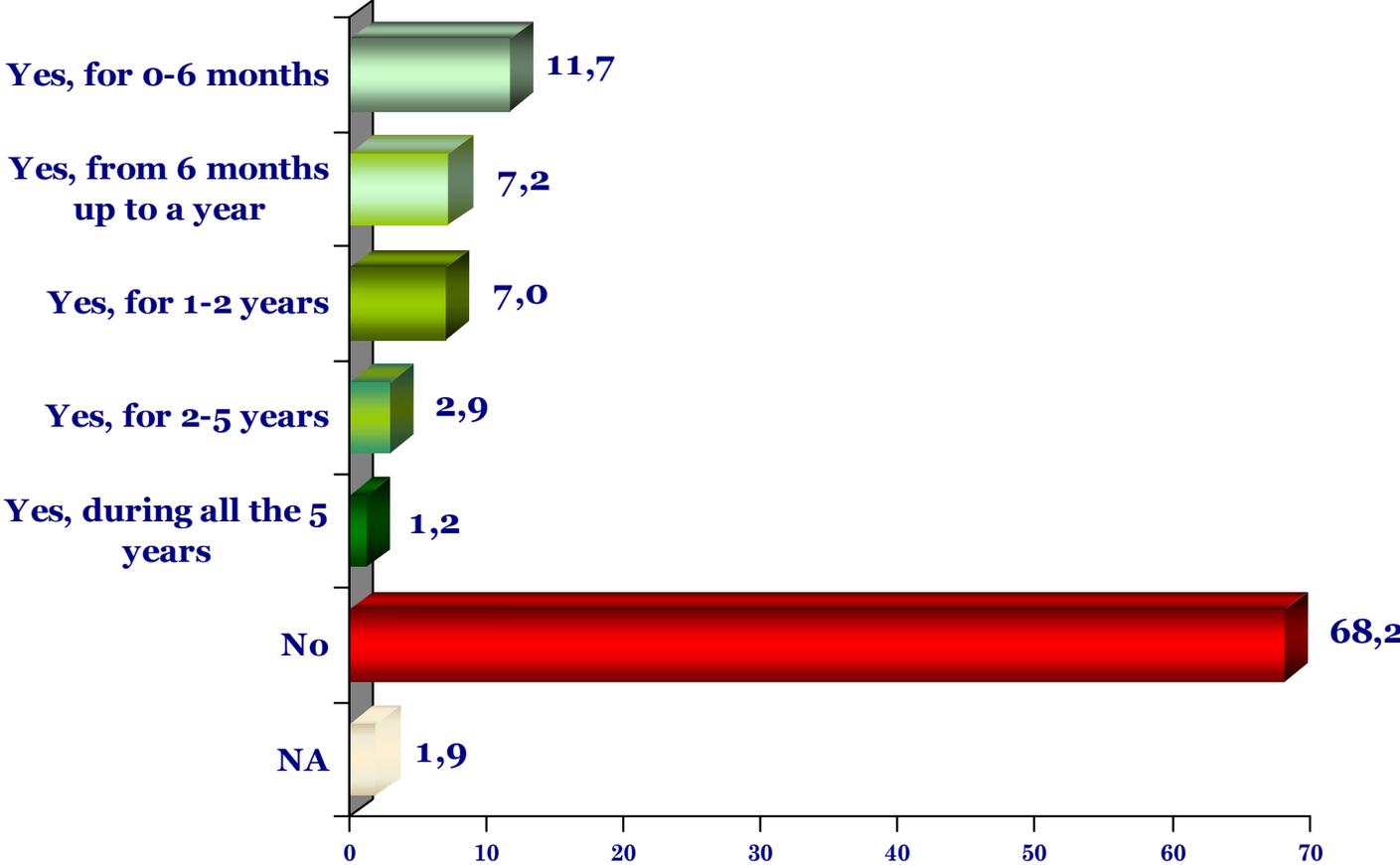
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# During the last 5 years, was there a period that you were unemployed?

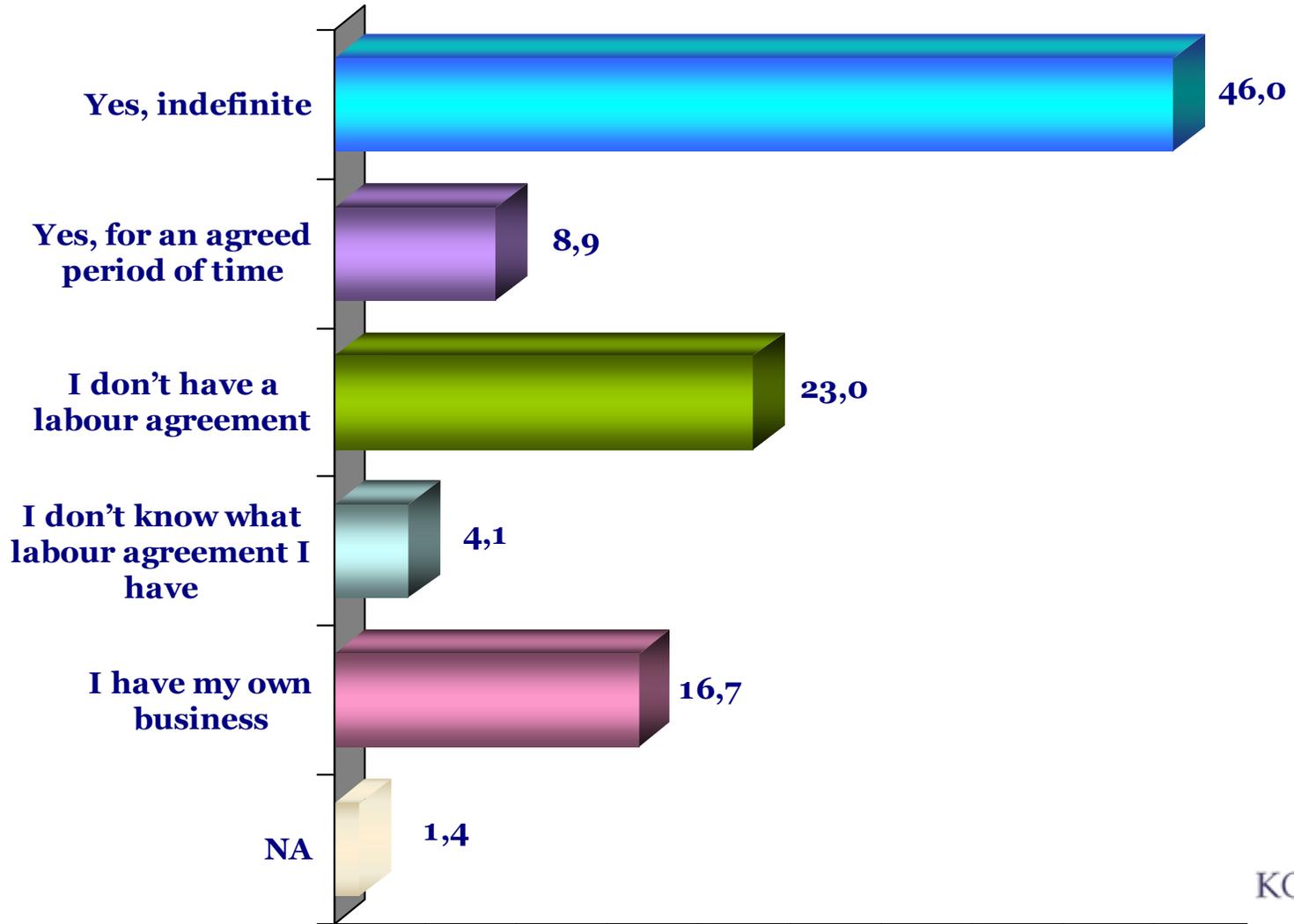
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## Do you have a labor agreement with your current employer?

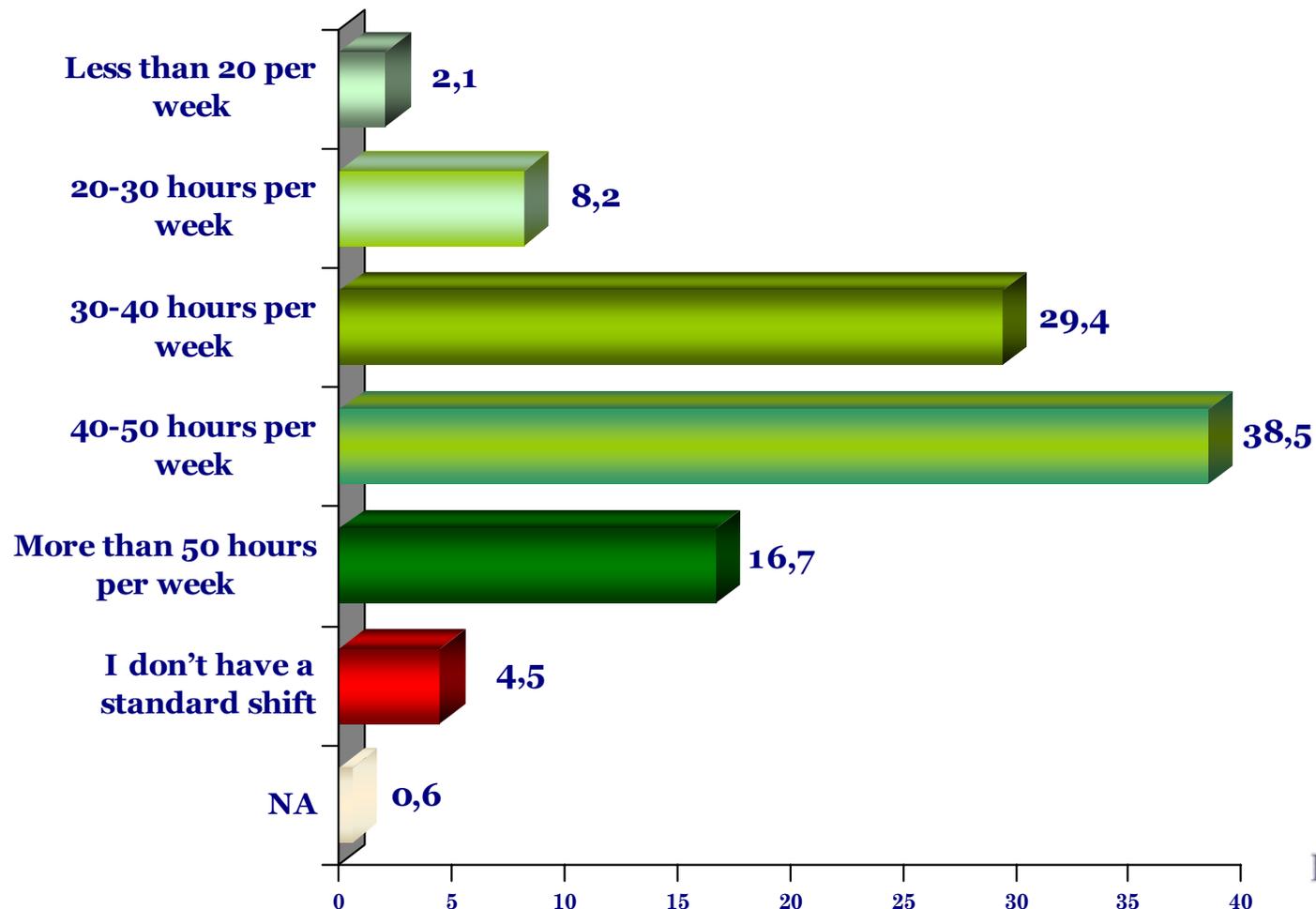
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## How many hours per week do you usually work? (overtime included)

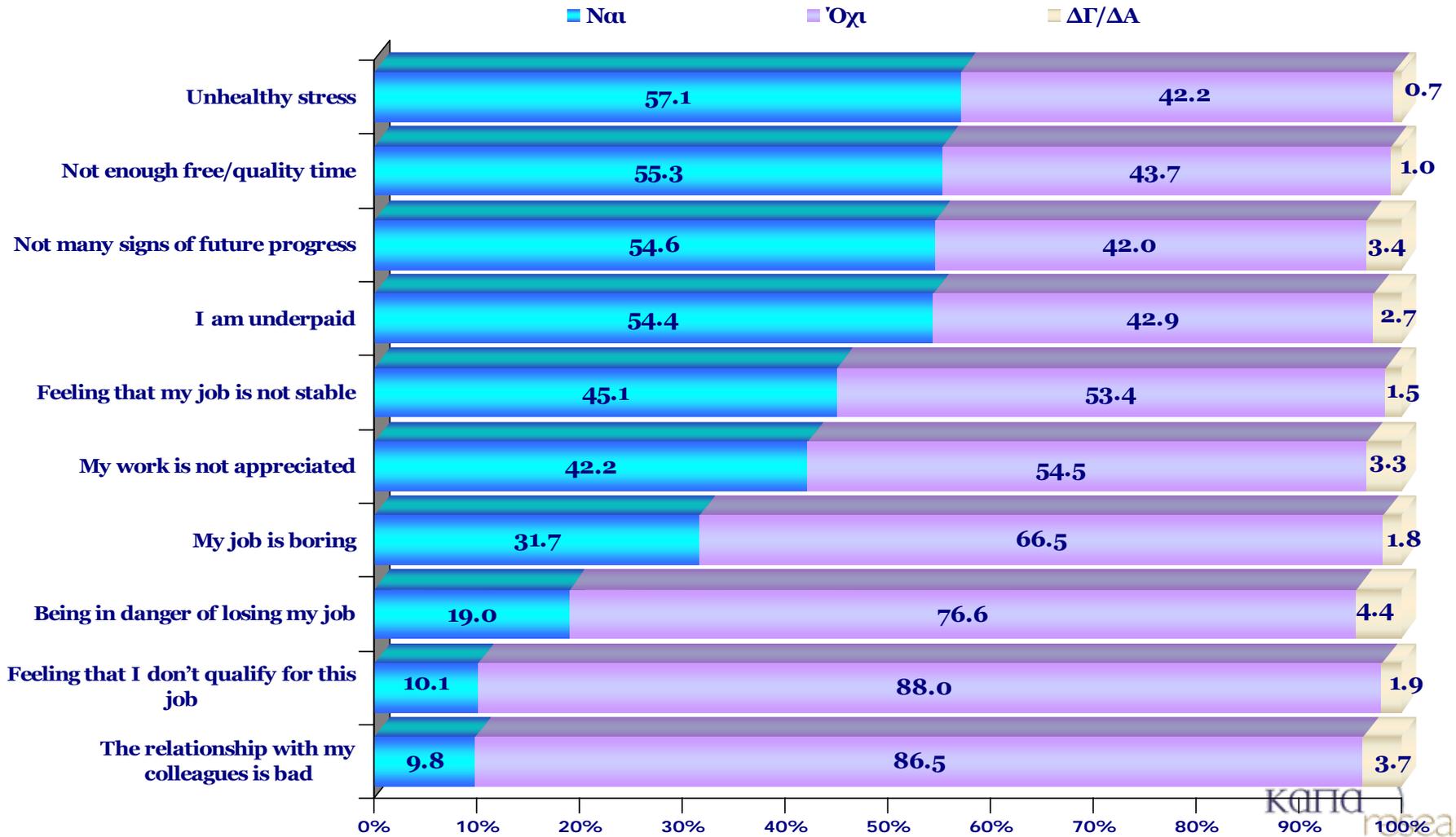
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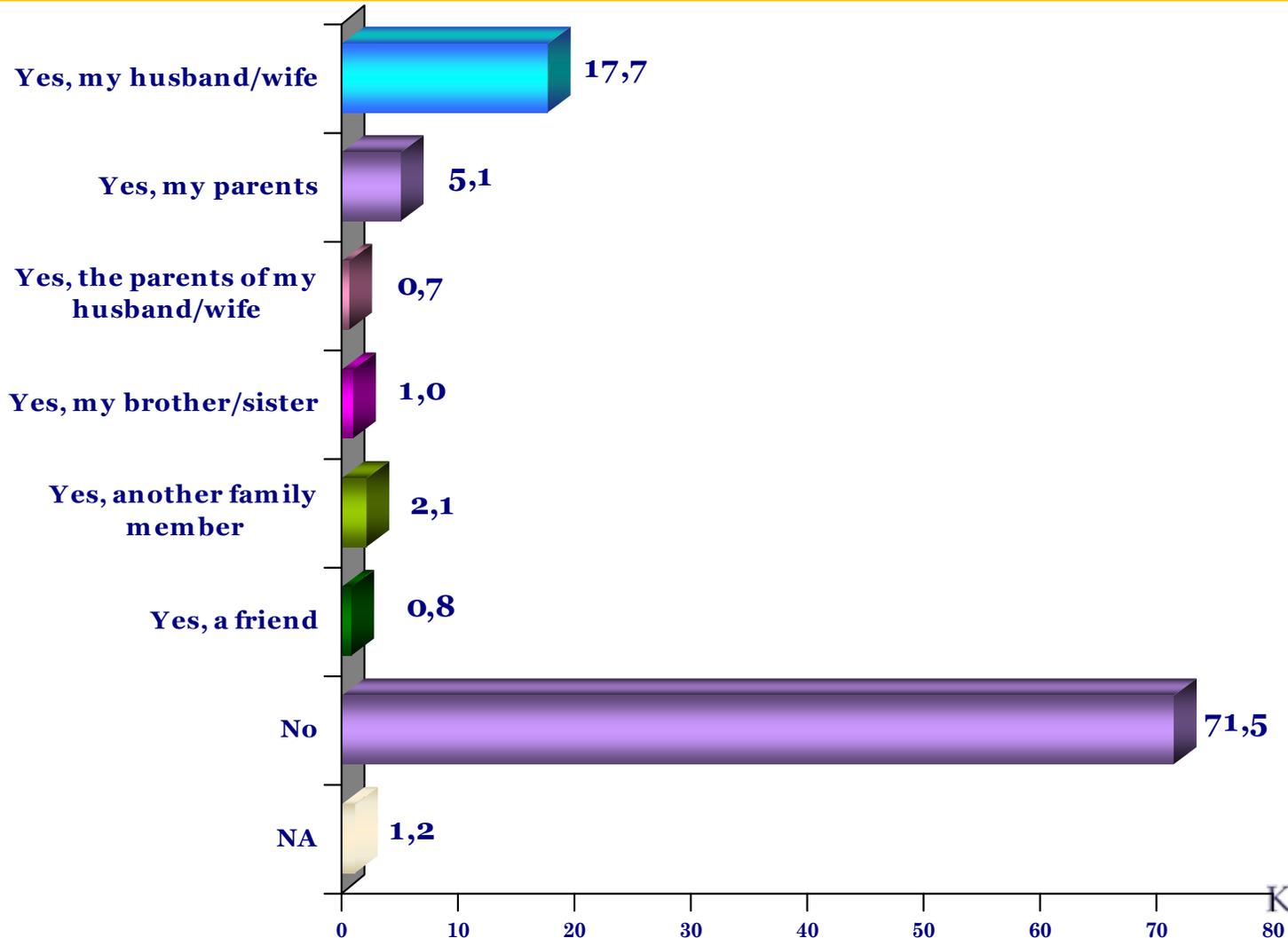
# Do you face any of the following issues at your current job?

**Base: Those who are currently employed or taking part in any kind of working activity**





## Despite your children, are you responsible for funding any other member of your household?

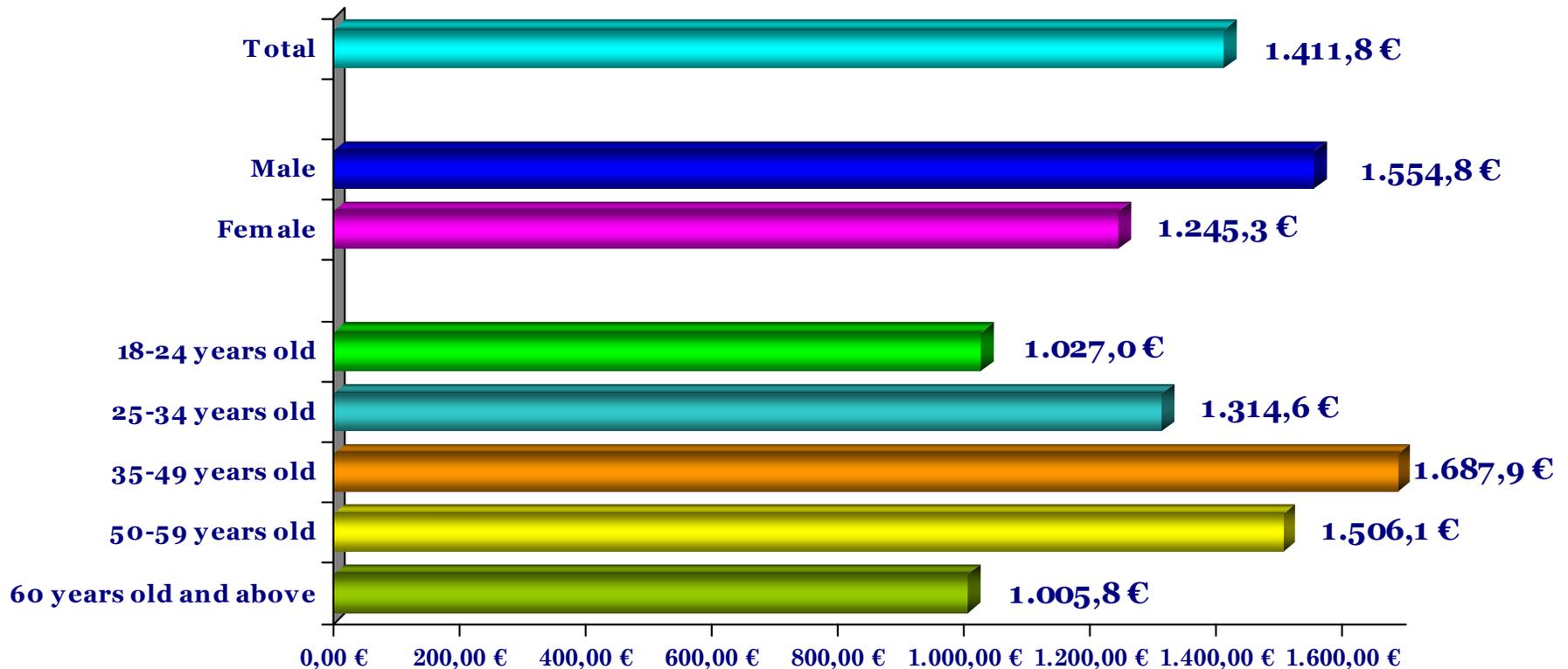




# Income

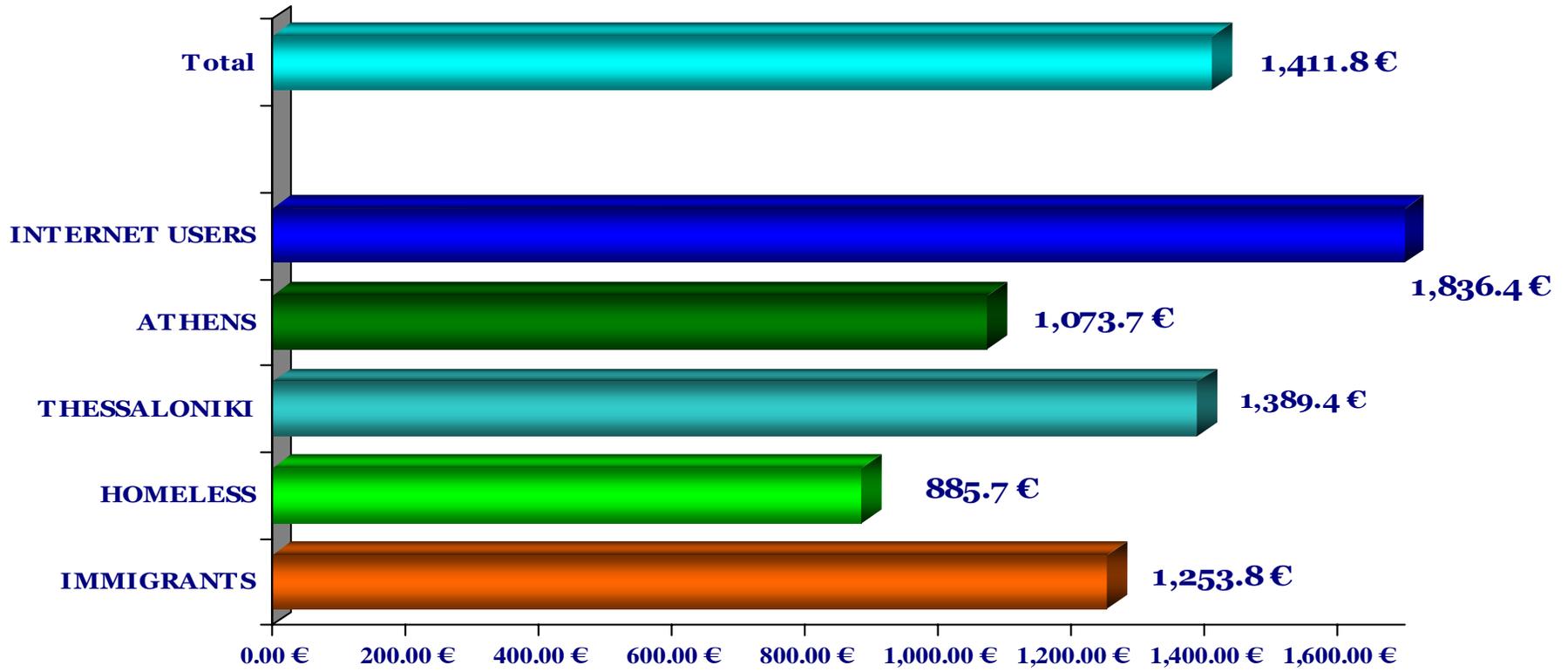


**What is the minimum net monthly income,  
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that a household like yours needs in order to cover its basic needs?  
(Average answer) *Age and Gender***



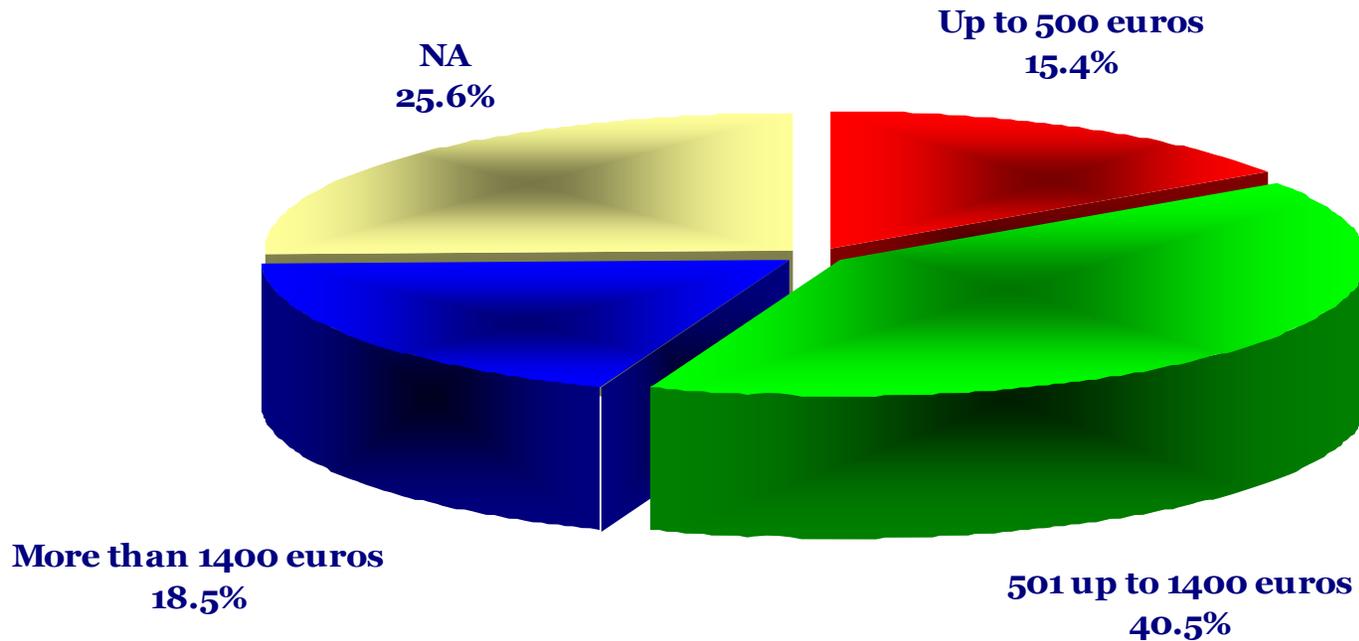


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(Average answer)**



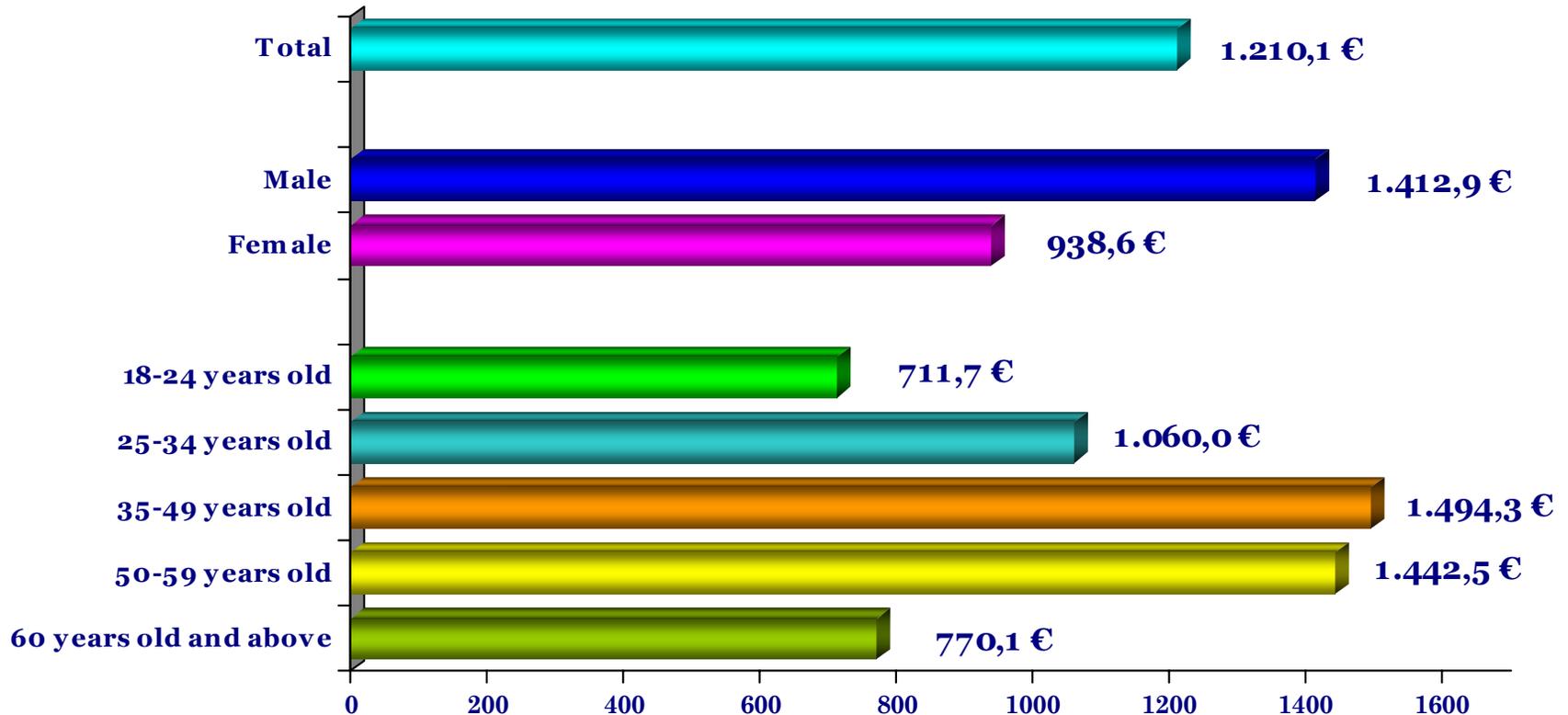


## And what is the net monthly income of you household today?



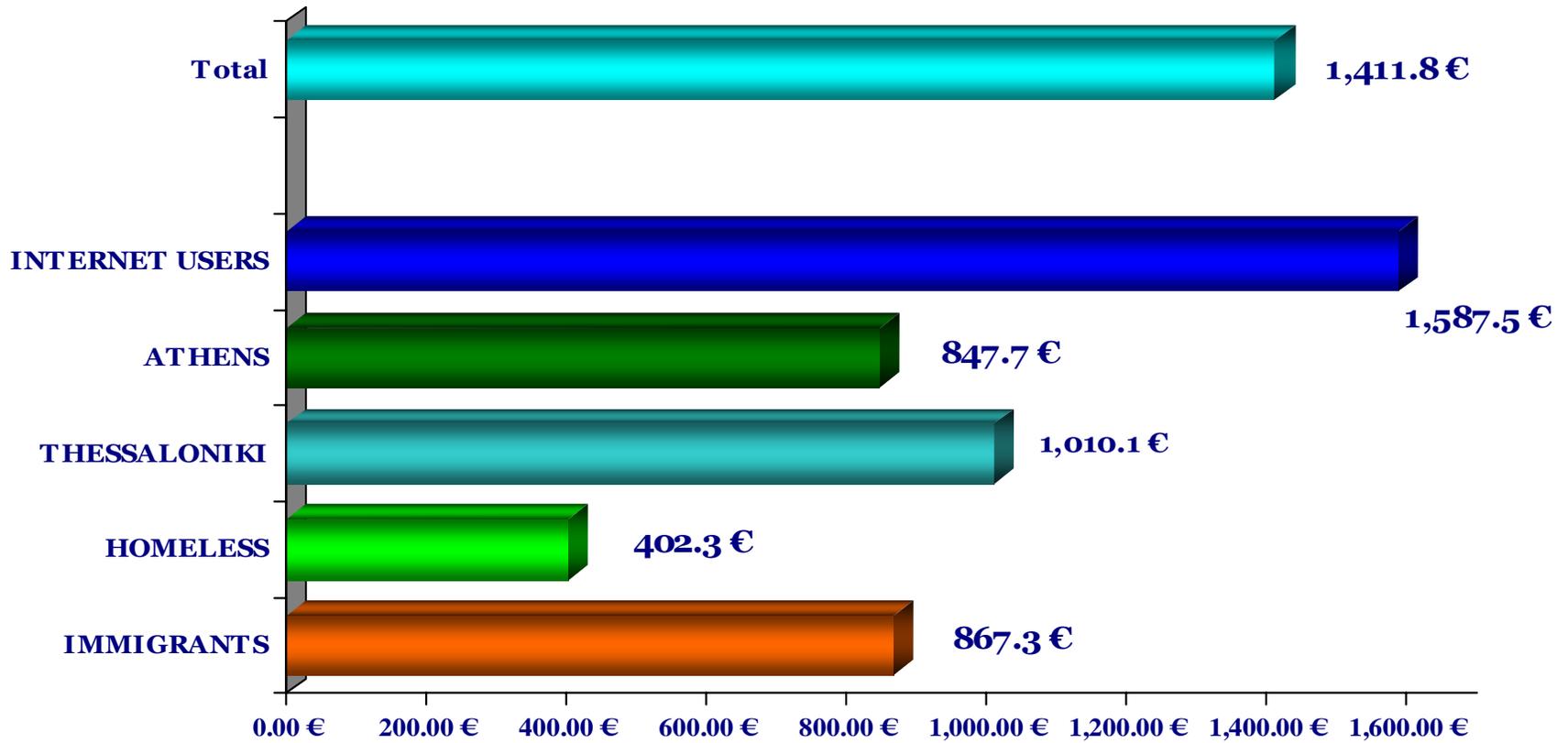


## And what is the net monthly income of you household today? (Average)



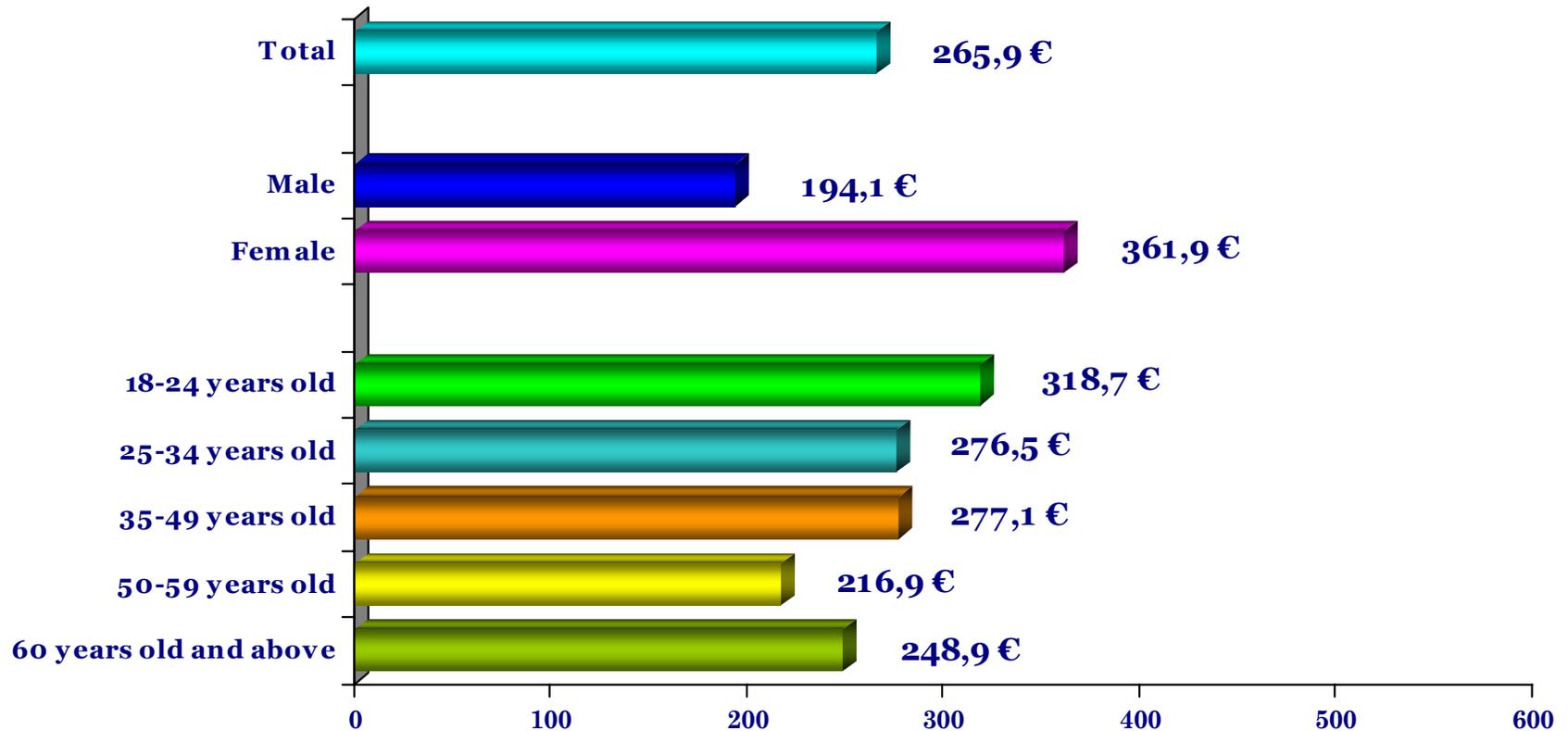


## And what is the net monthly income of you household today? (Average)



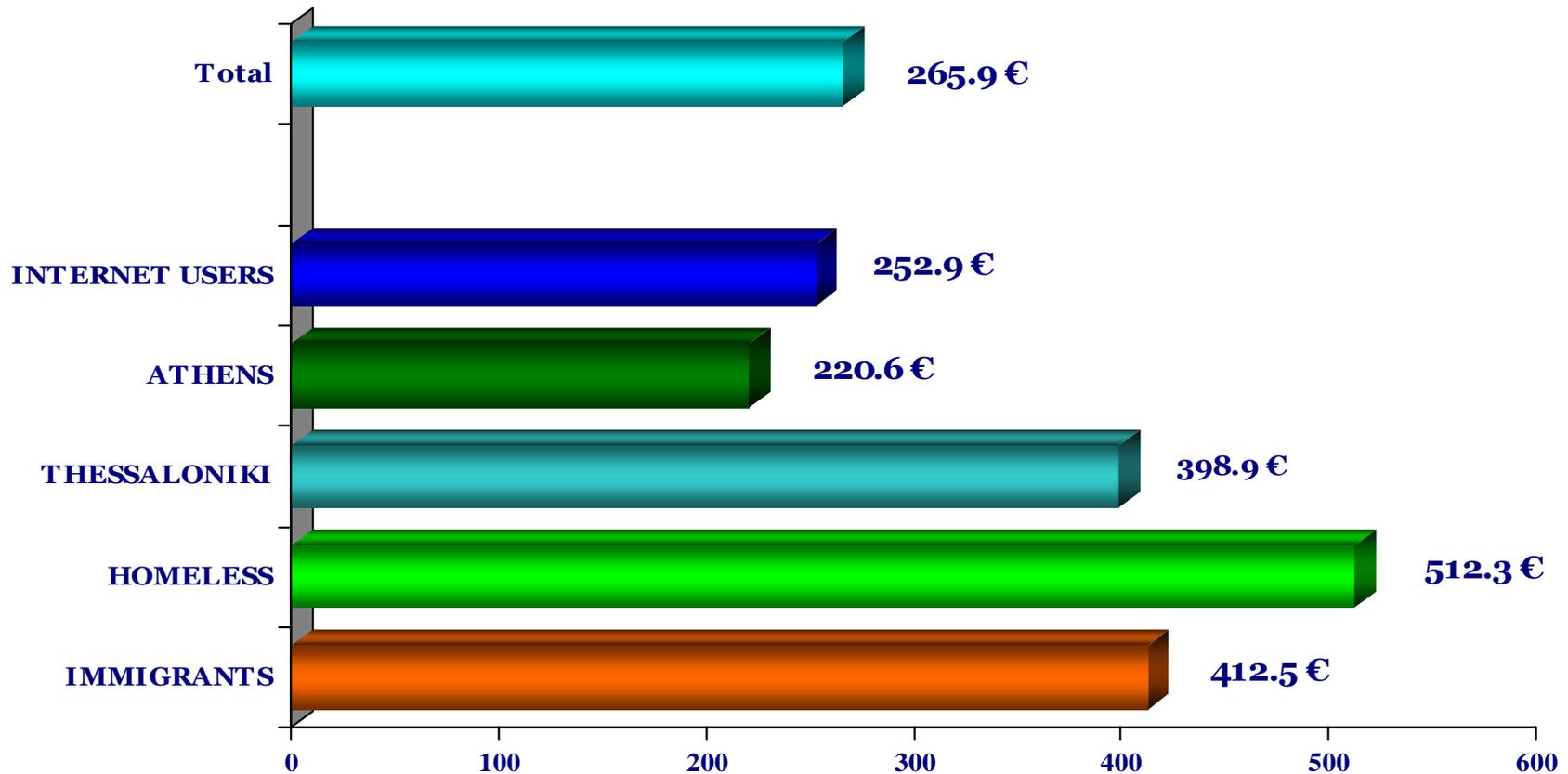


## Difference of real and needed income (*Average*)





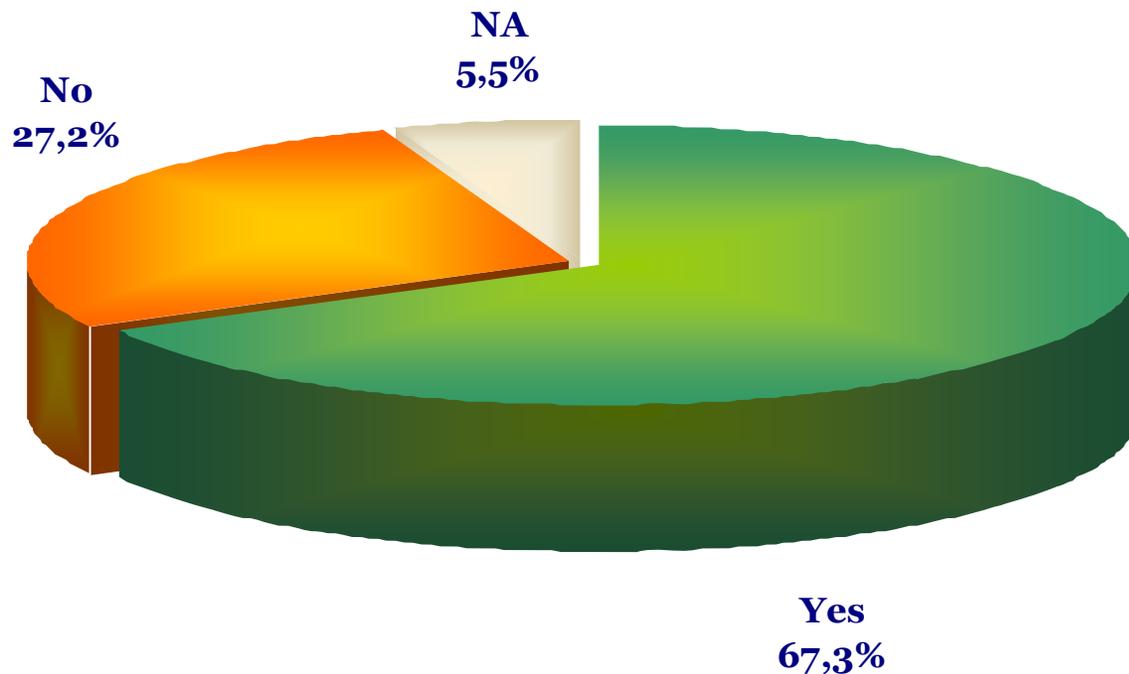
## Difference of real and needed income (Average)





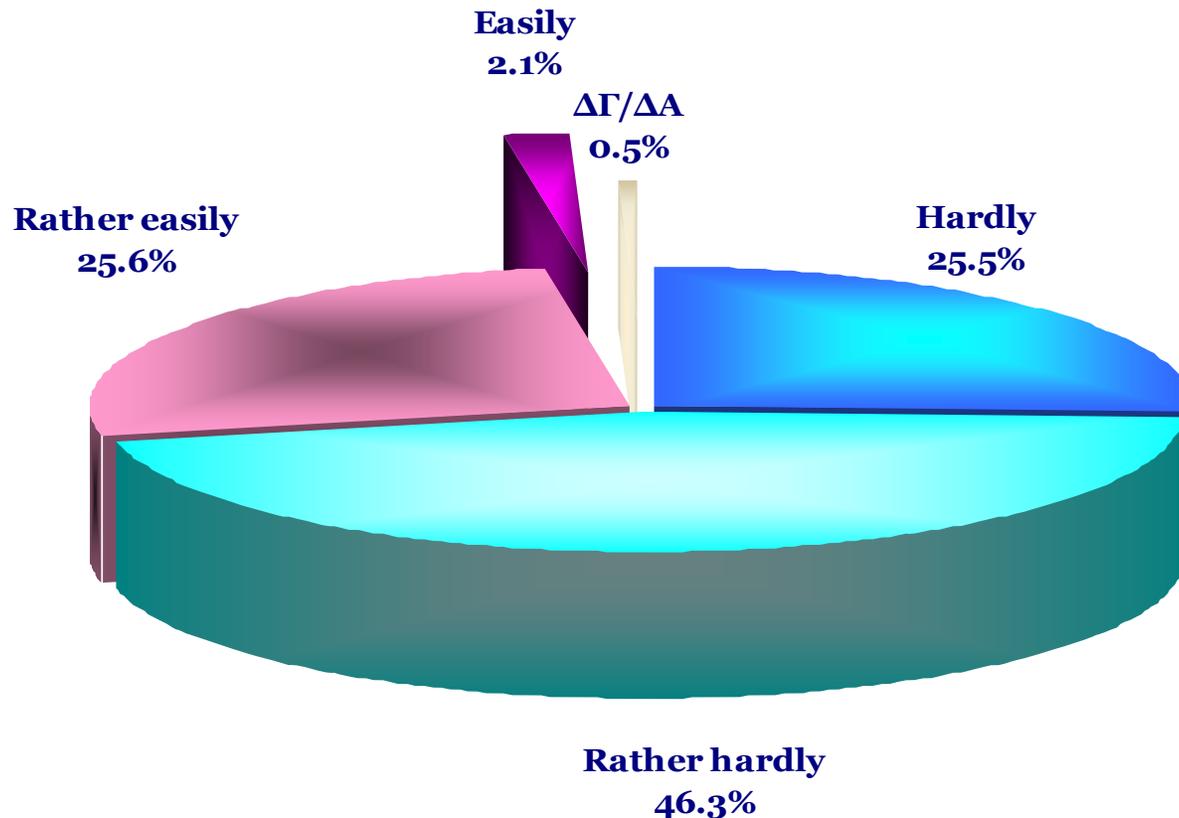
## **In relation with the needed income you mentioned before, your current net monthly income is less than that?**

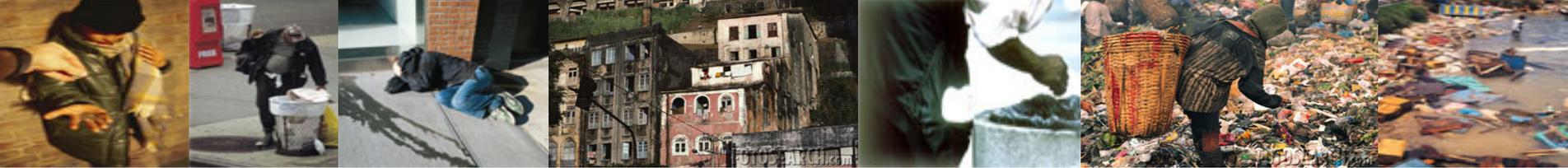
**Base: Those who didn't answer what their net monthly income is**





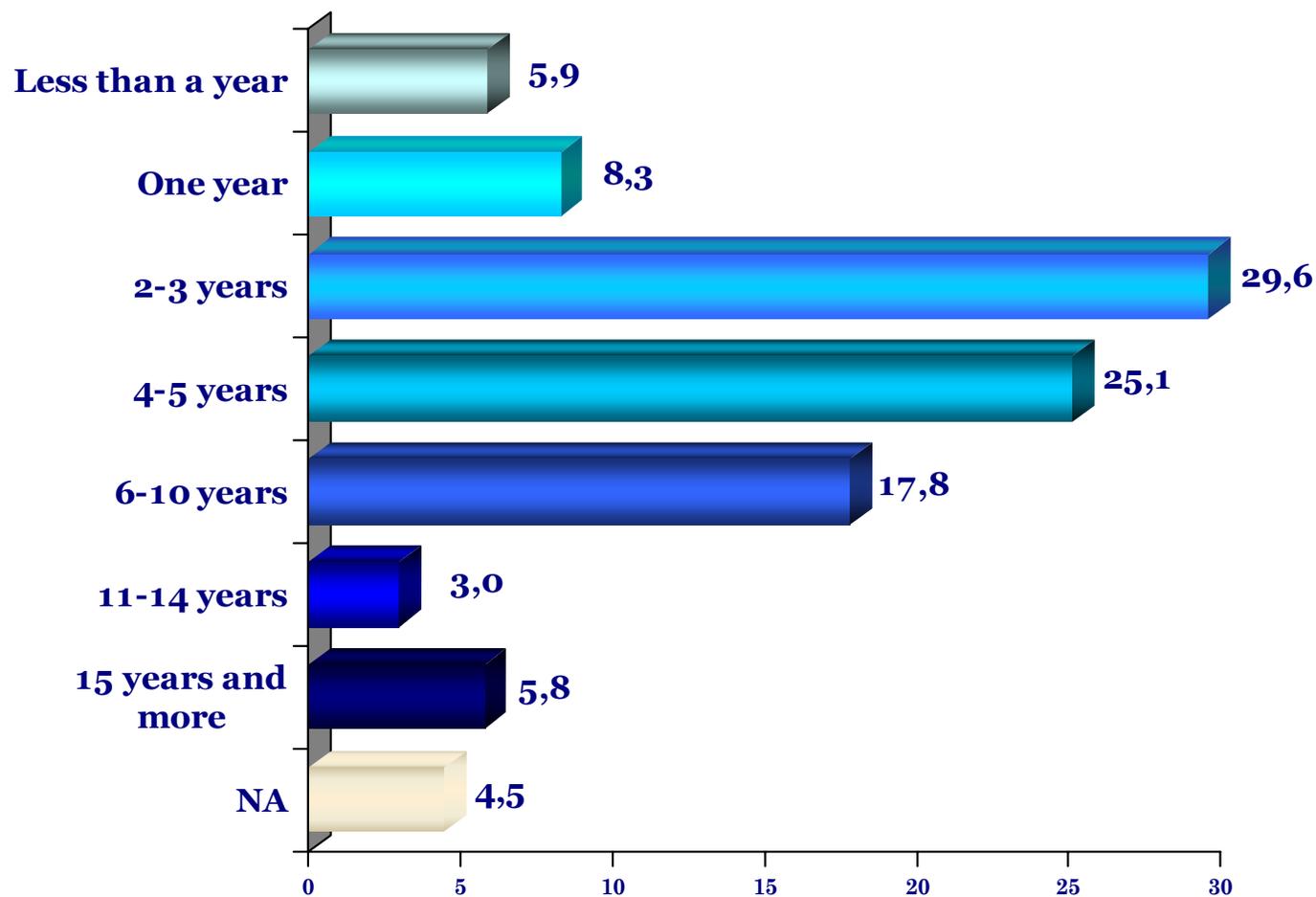
**With the current income of your household,  
would you say that you make it through:**





## How long have you been facing difficulties?

Base: Those making it through hardly or rather hardly

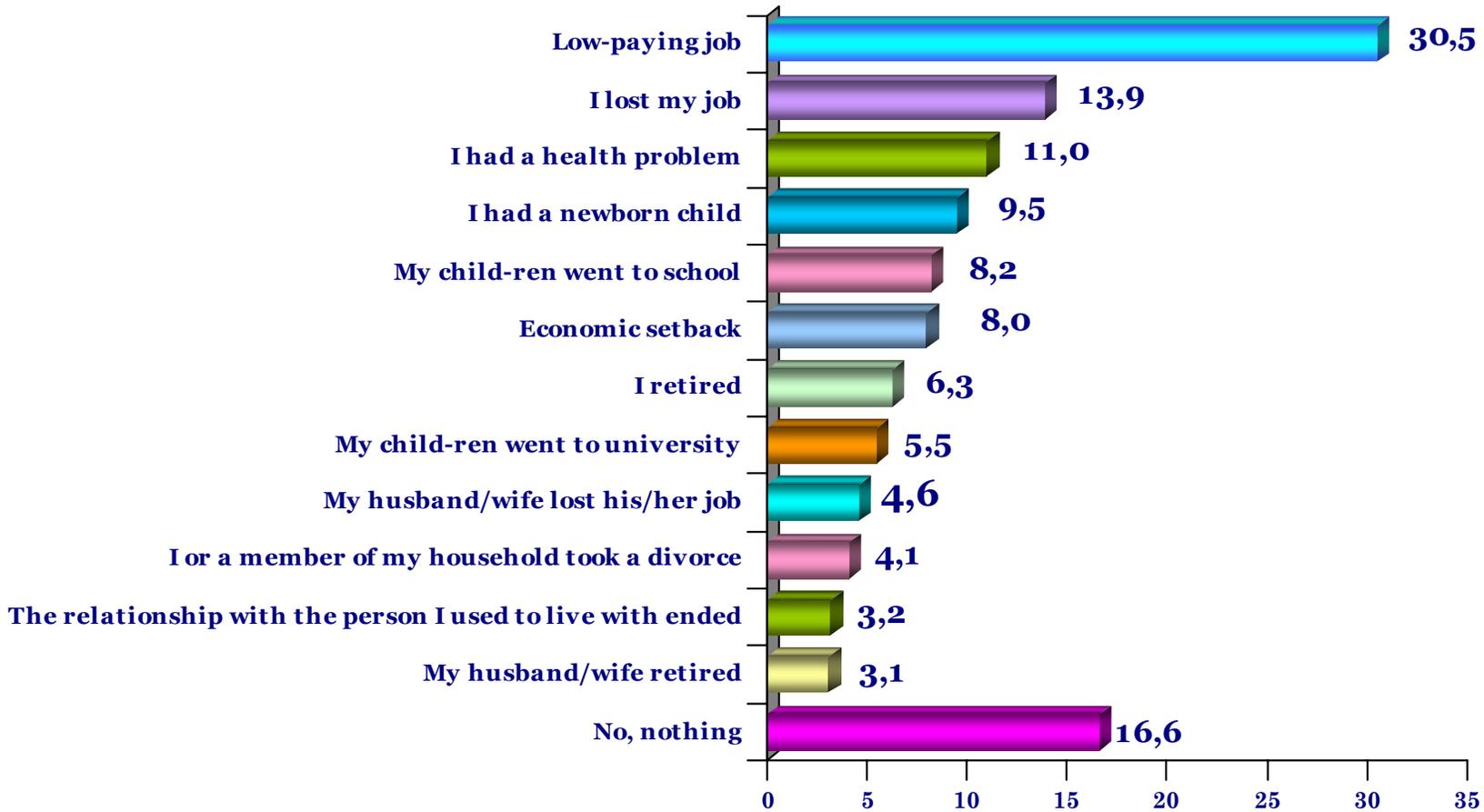




## Did any of the incidents mentioned below happen to you and influence your financial situation?

**Base: Those making it through hardly or rather hardly**

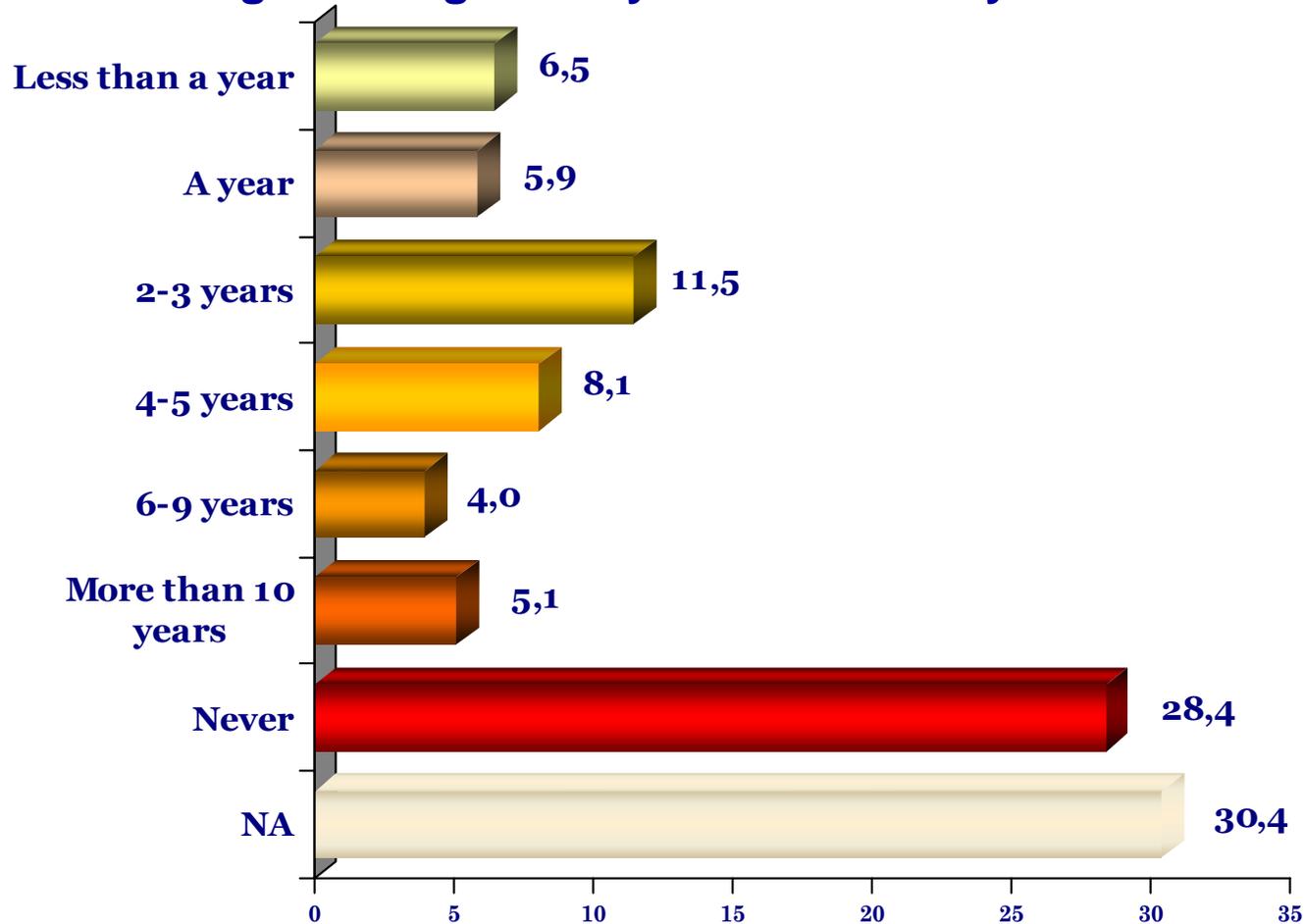
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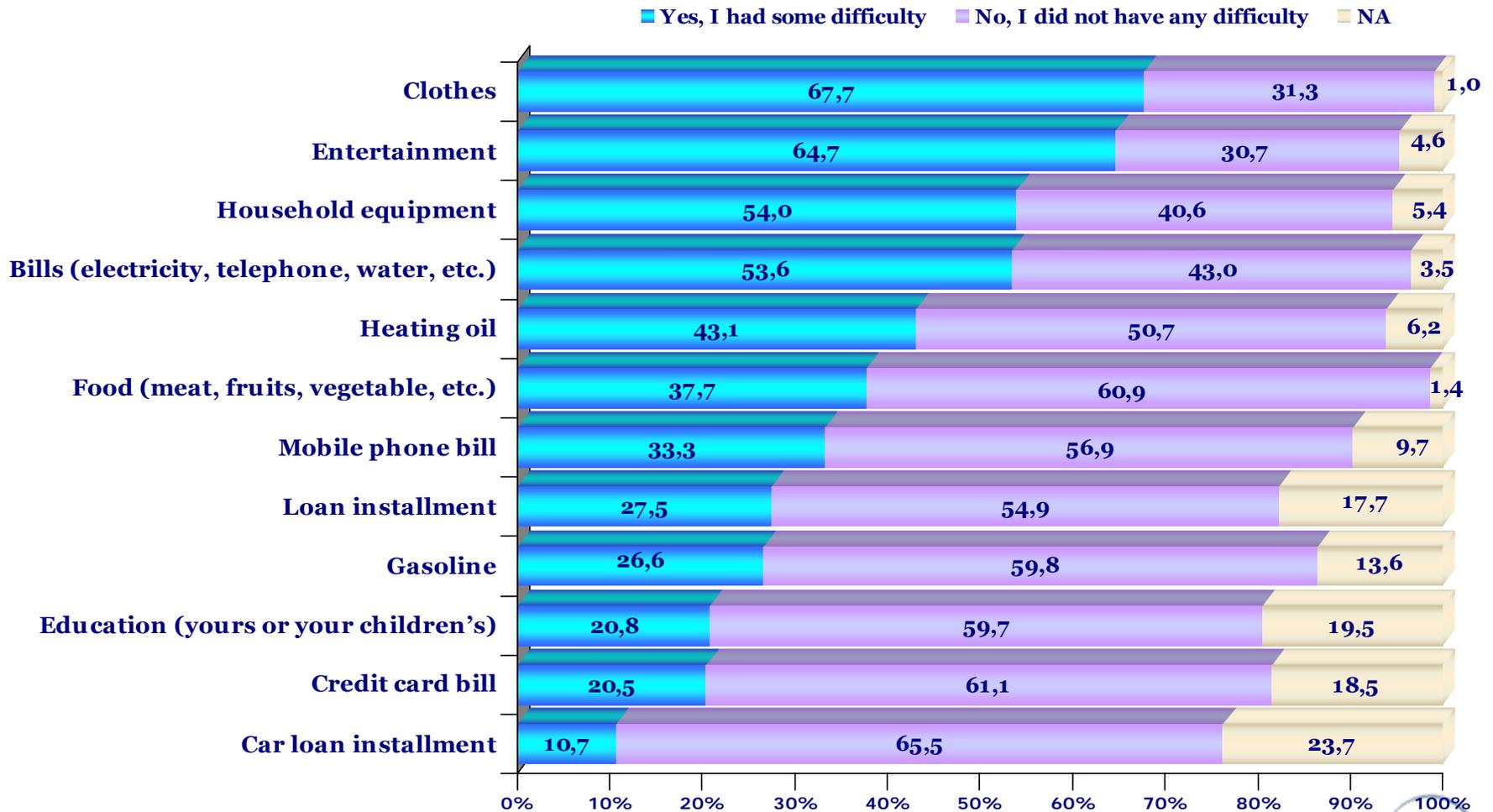
## From your experience, how long will it take you to get out of this difficult situation?

Base: Those making it through hardly or rather hardly



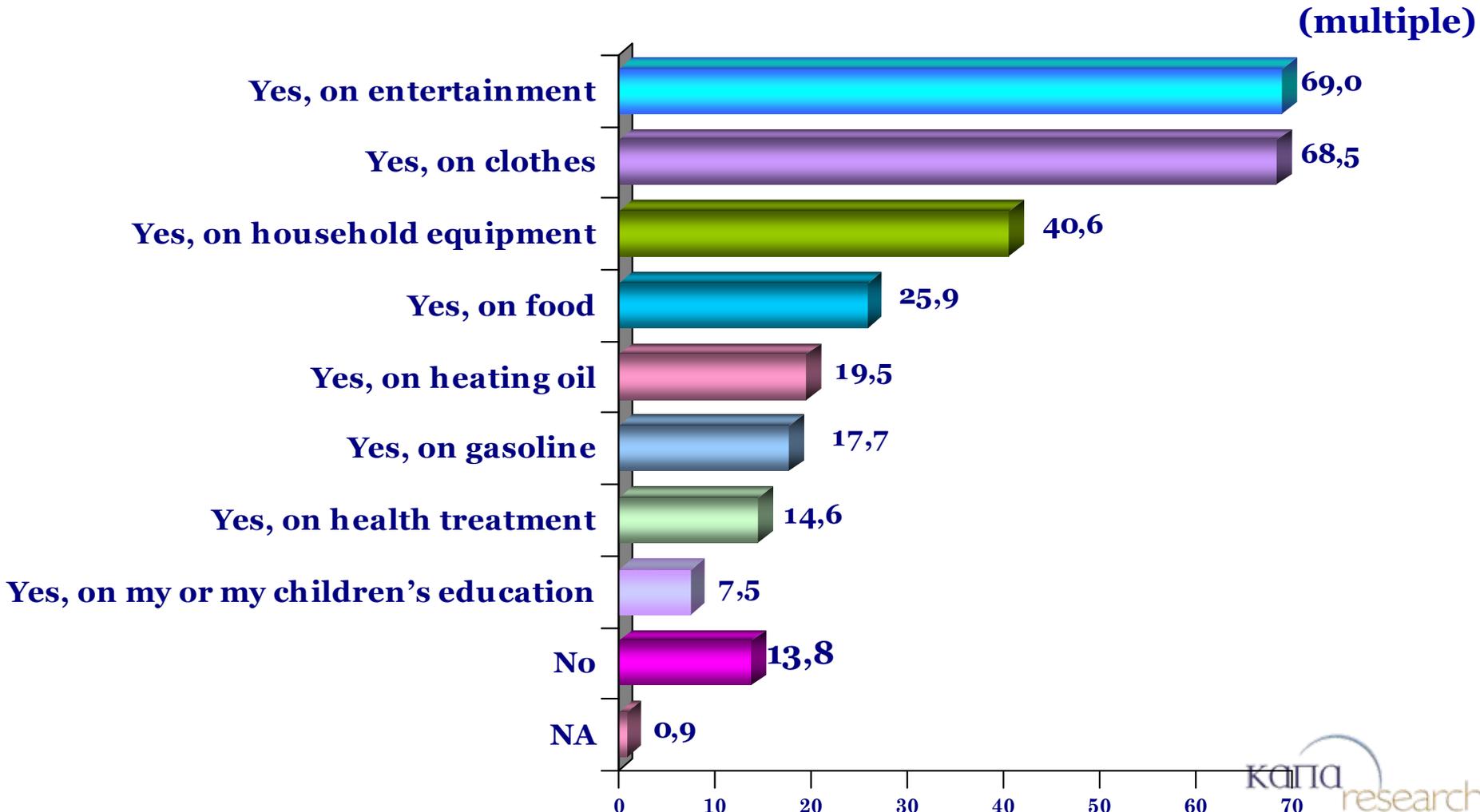


## During the last year did you face any difficulty in paying any of the products/services mentioned below?





## During the last year did you have to make spending cuts on any of the following in order to make it through financially?



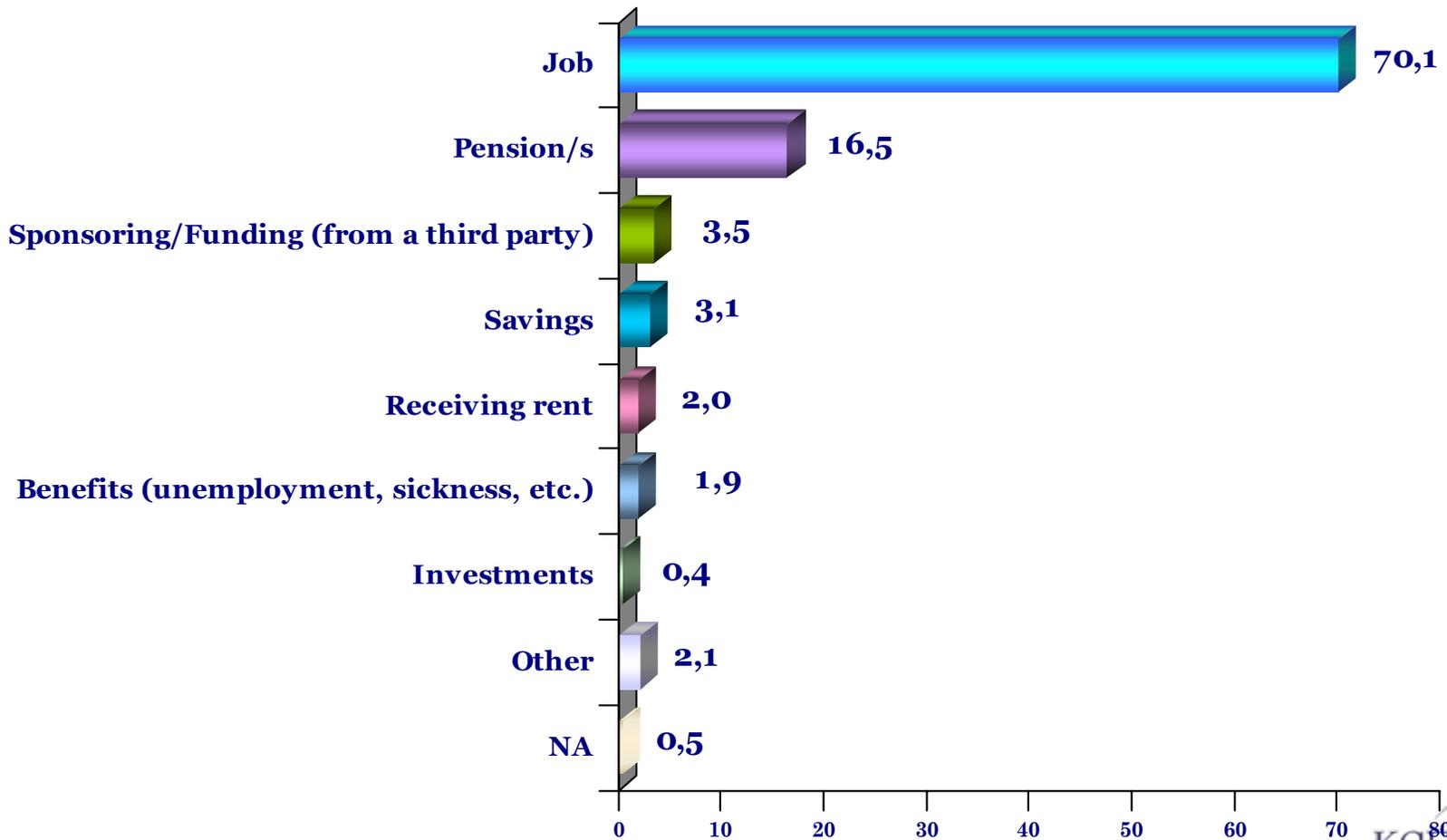


# Basic Income Source





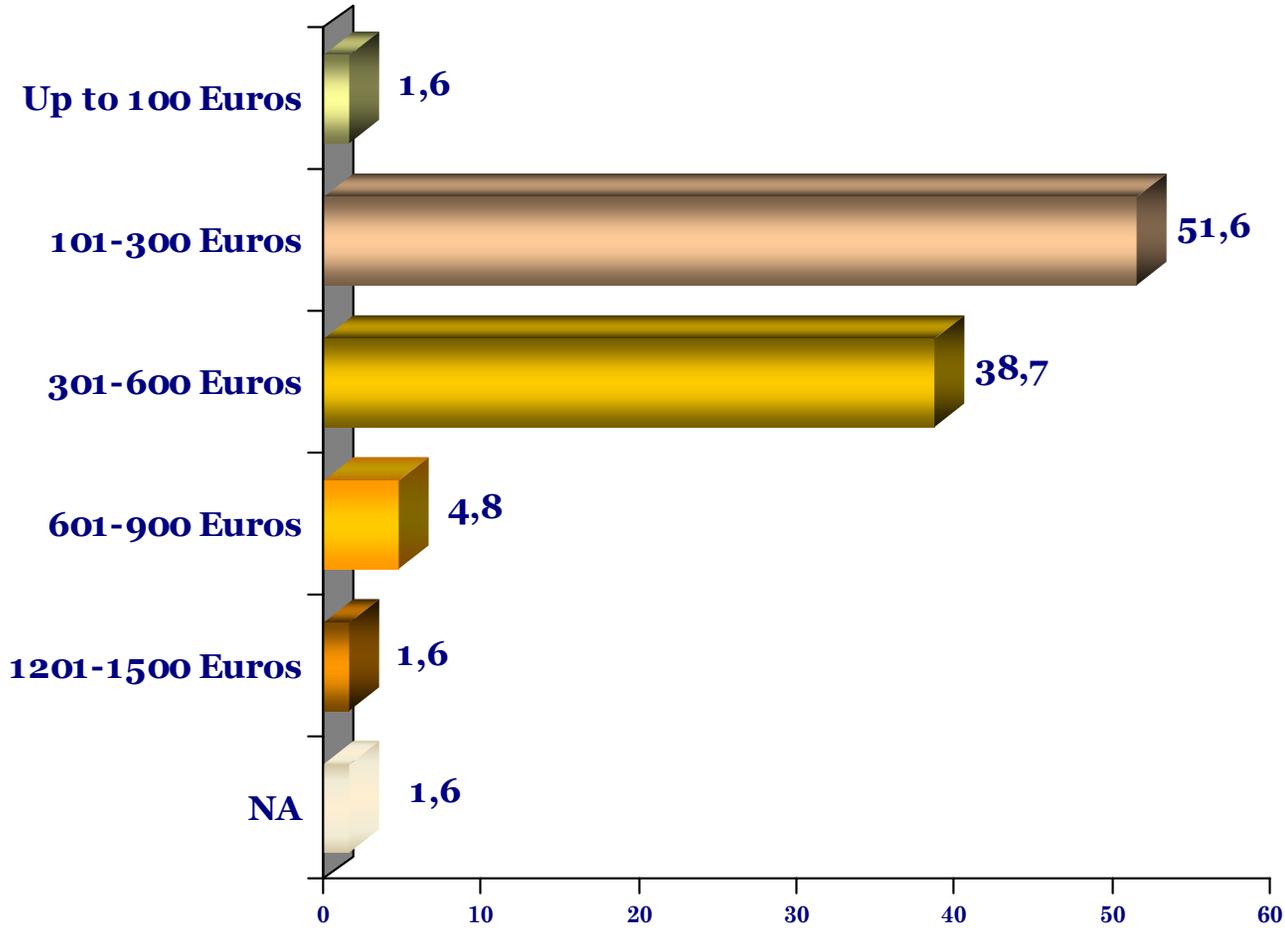
## Which was the most important source of income of your household during the last year?





# What is the amount you are receiving from benefits?

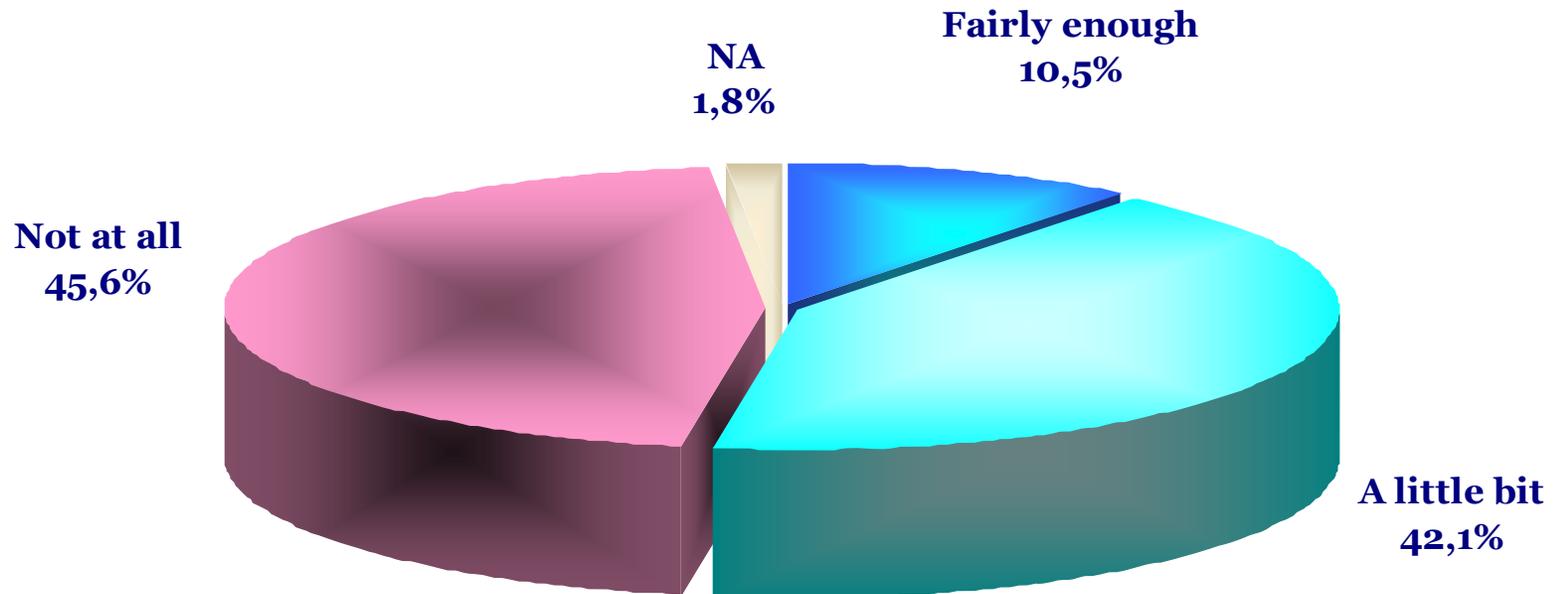
Base: Those with “Benefits (unemployment, sickness, etc.)” as the most important source of income of their household during the last year

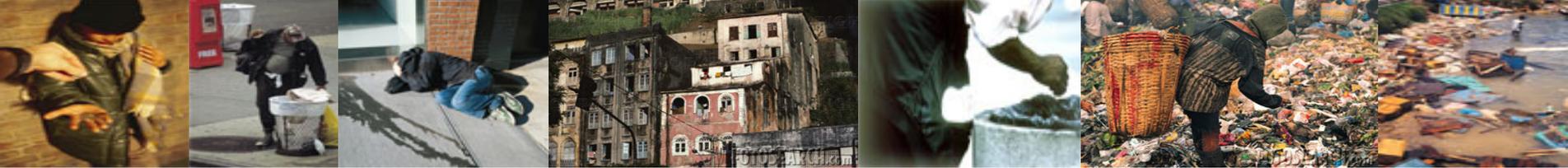




## Would you say that this benefit contributes in bettering your daily life?

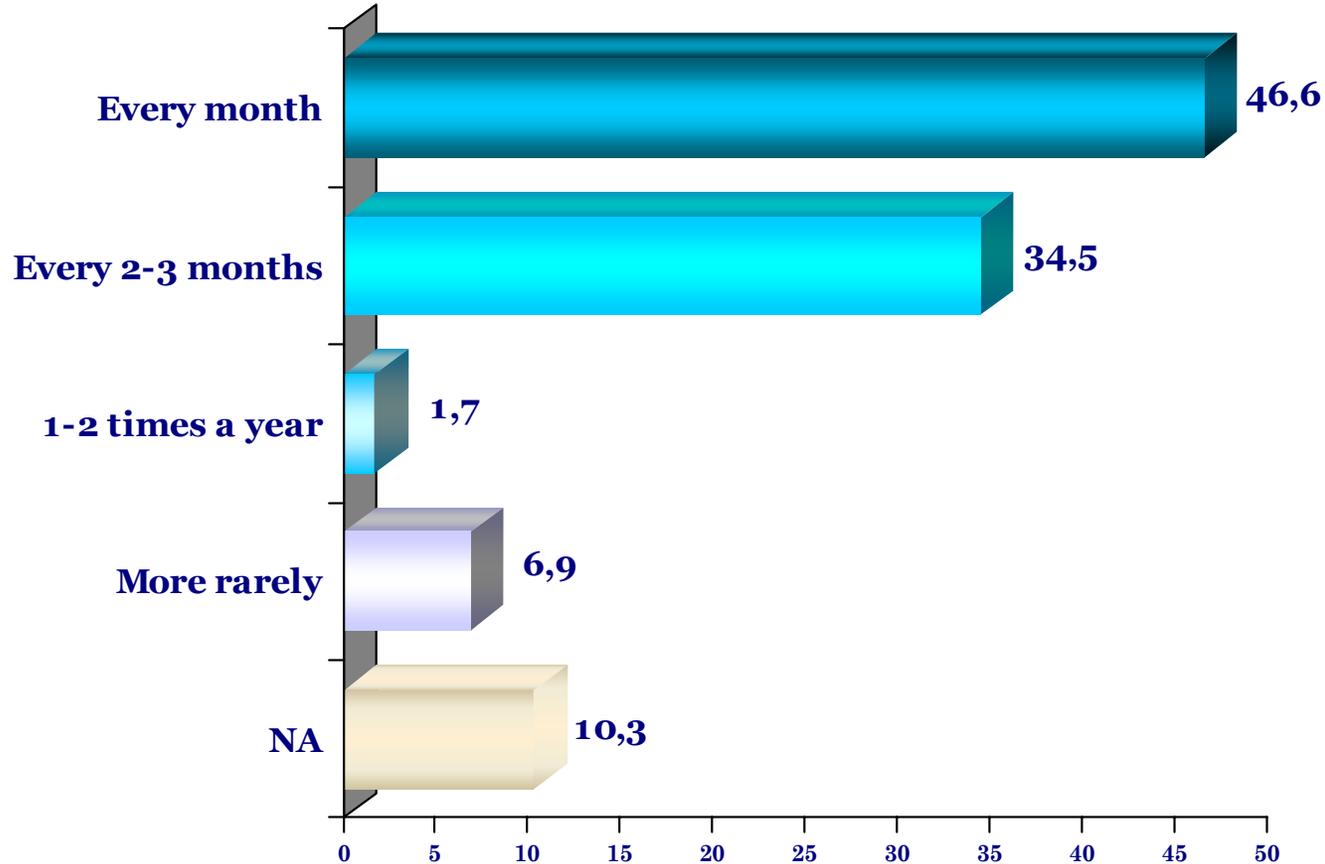
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## How often do you visit the competent authority to collect your benefit?

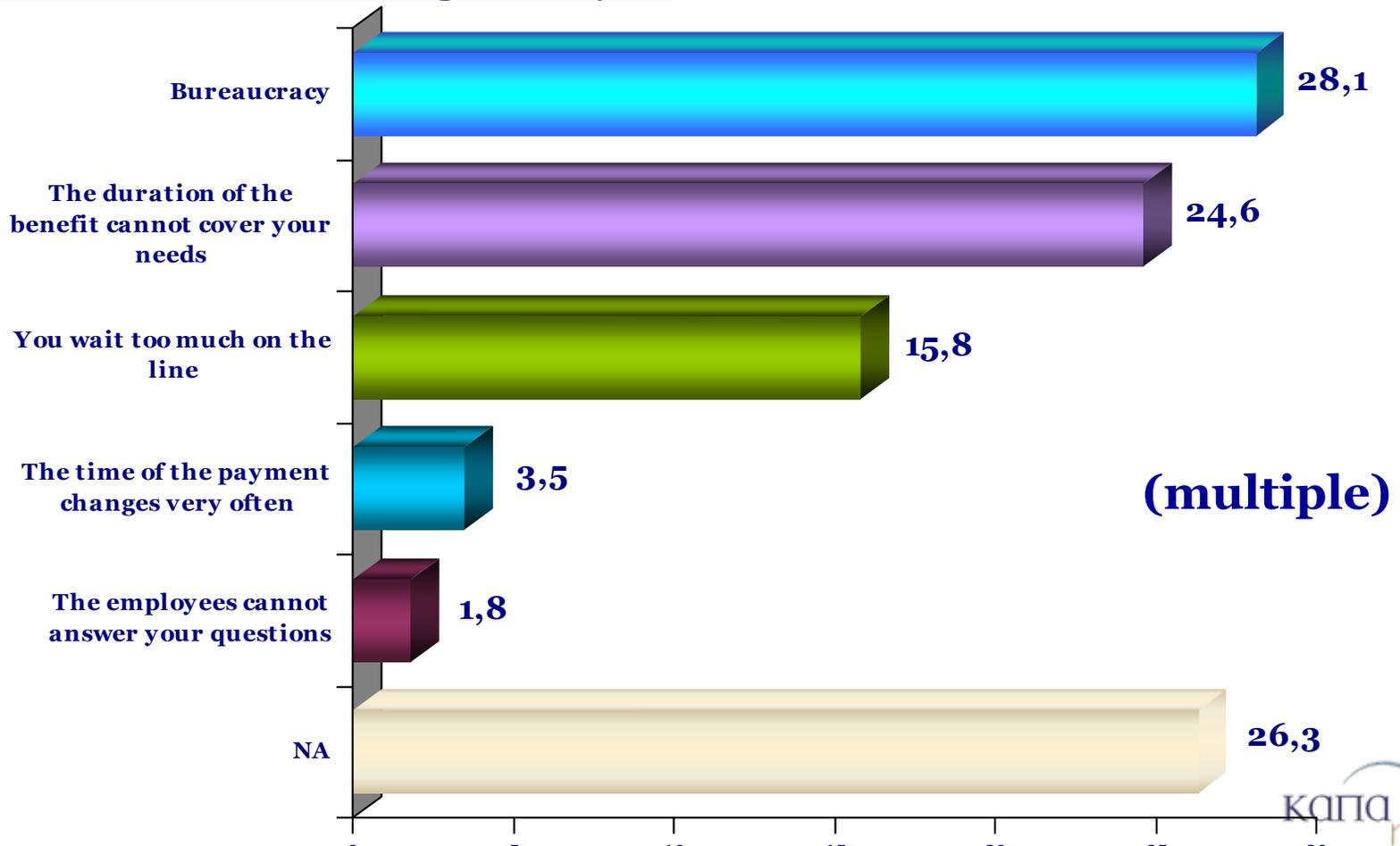
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## Do you face any of the following problems at the authority from which you collect your benefit from?

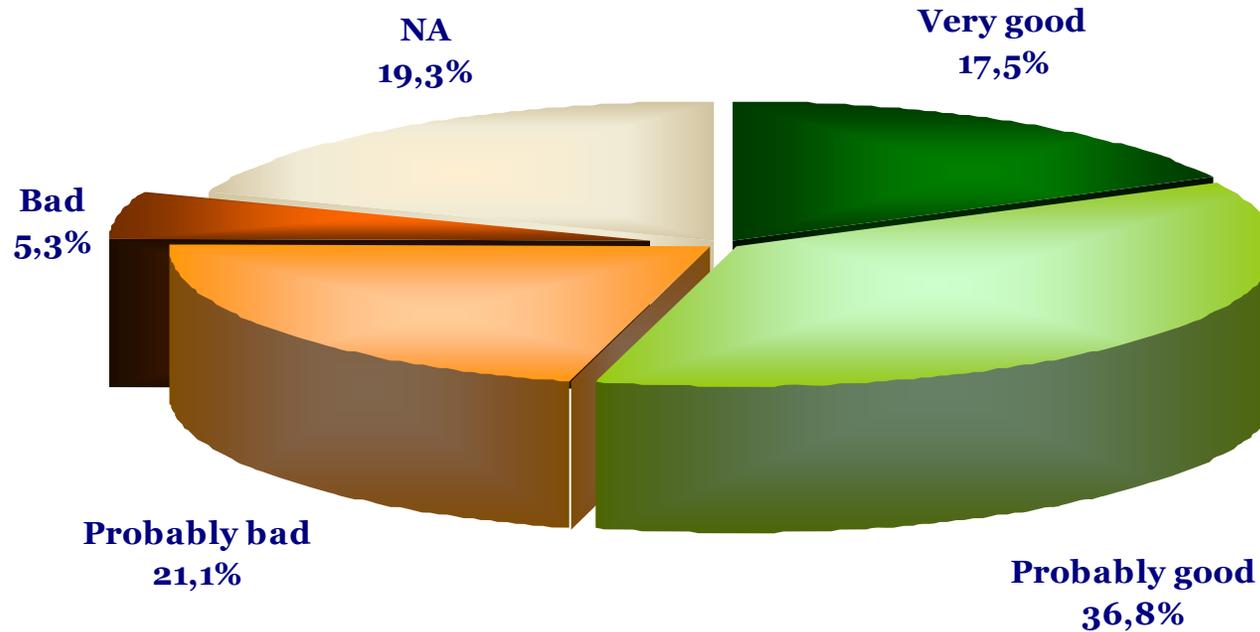
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## How do you consider the behavior of the employees of the authority you receive your benefit from?

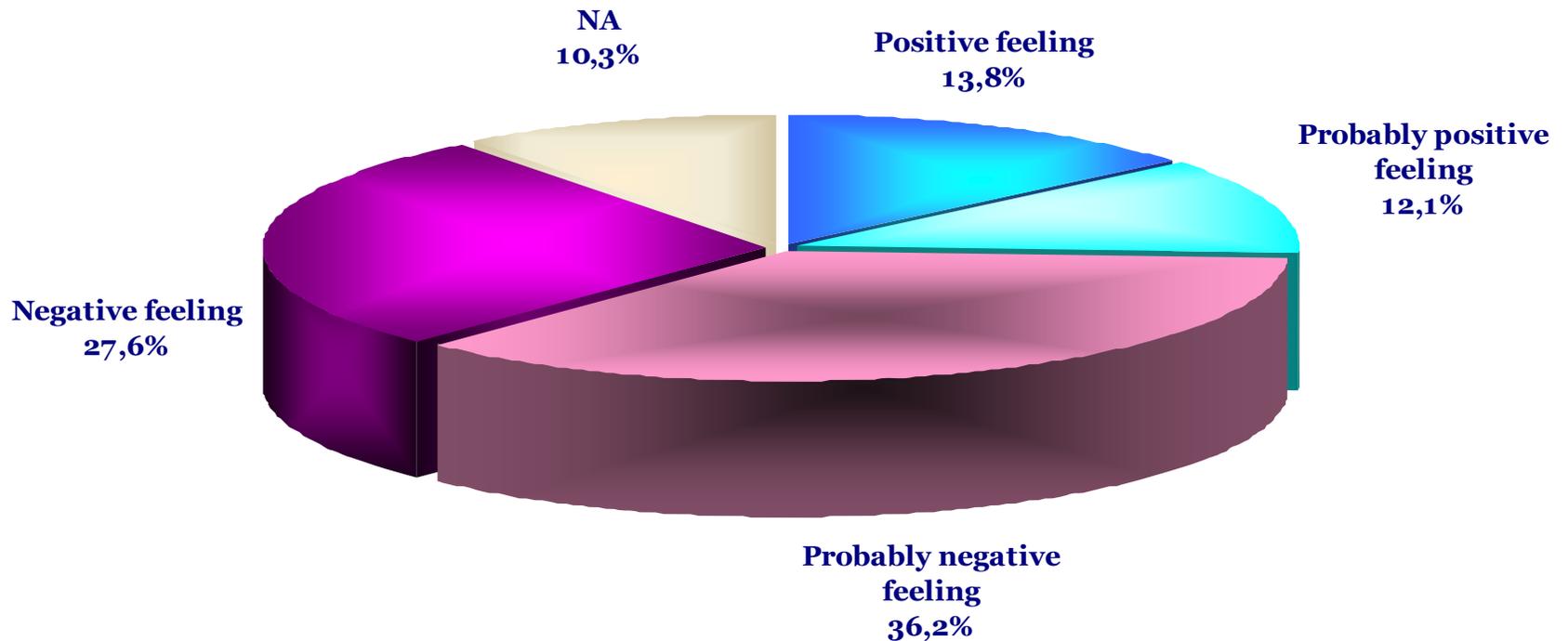
Base: Those with “Benefits (unemployment, sickness, etc.)” as the most important source of income of their household during the last year





## Generally speaking, going to the agency to receive your benefit what kind of feeling does this create you?

Base: Those with “Benefits (unemployment, sickness, etc.)” as the most important source of income of their household during the last year





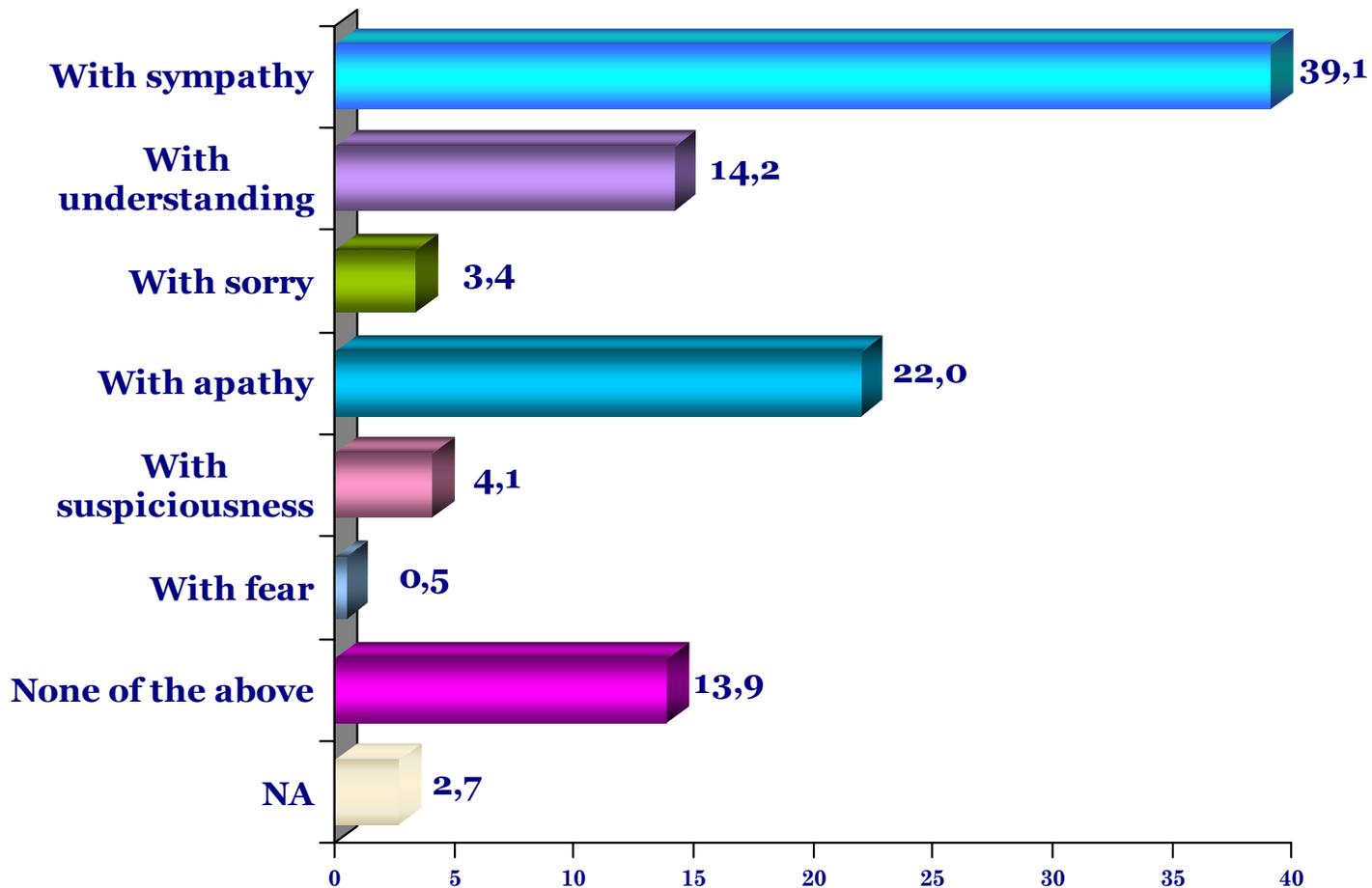
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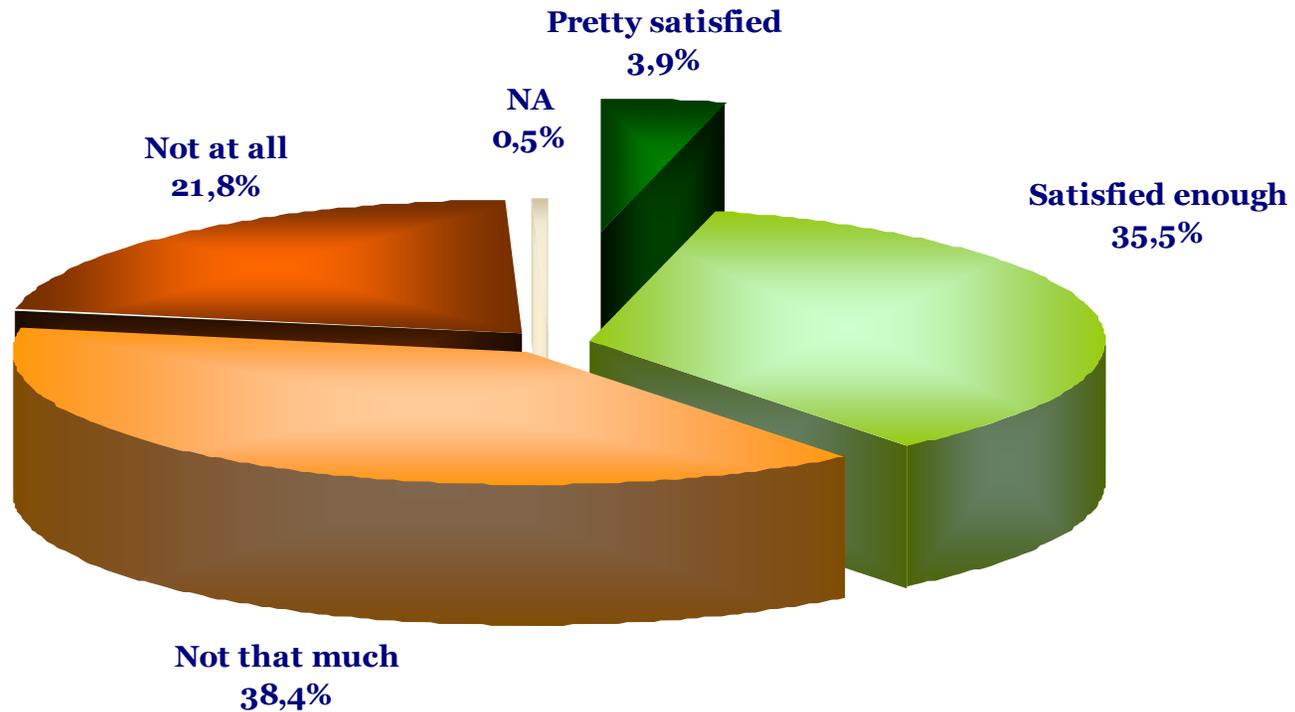


## Would you say that the people around you treat you:



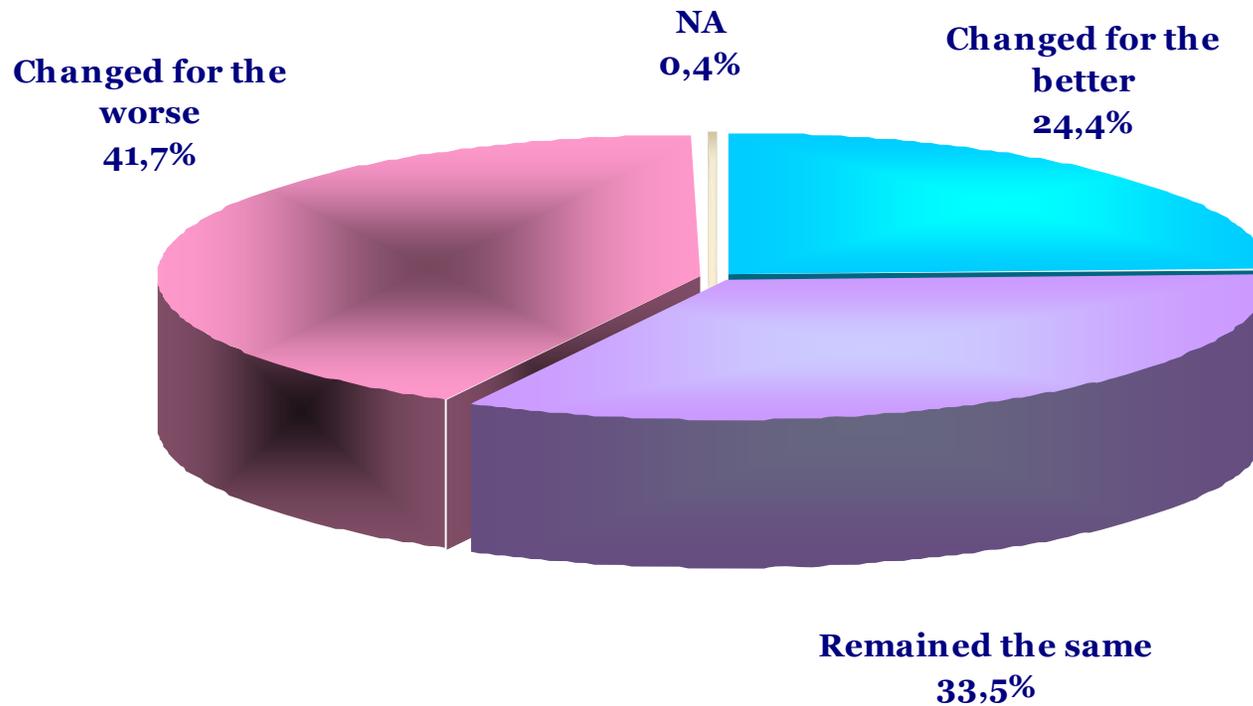


## How satisfied would you say you are with your current overall situation?



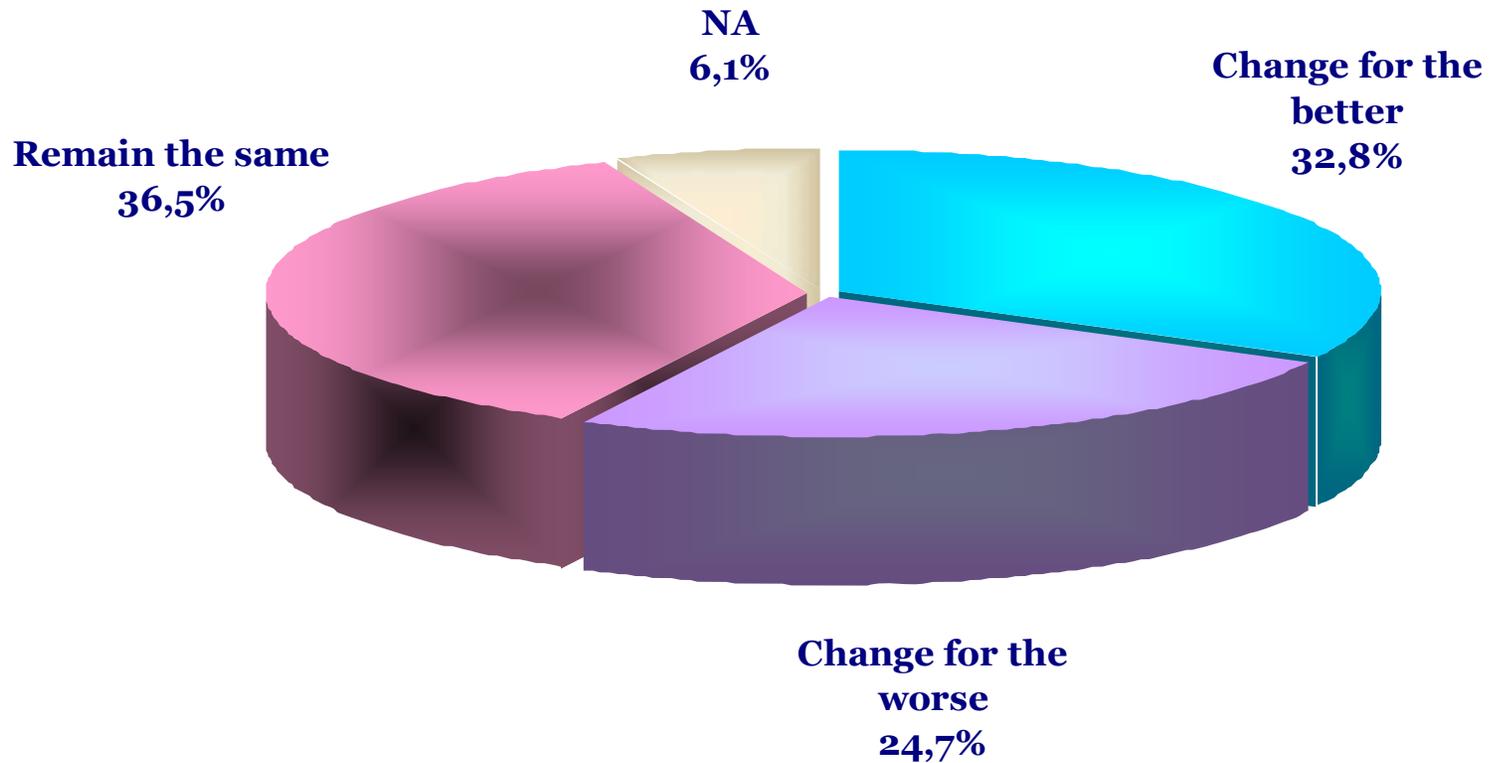


**Would you say that in the period of the last three years, your life:**



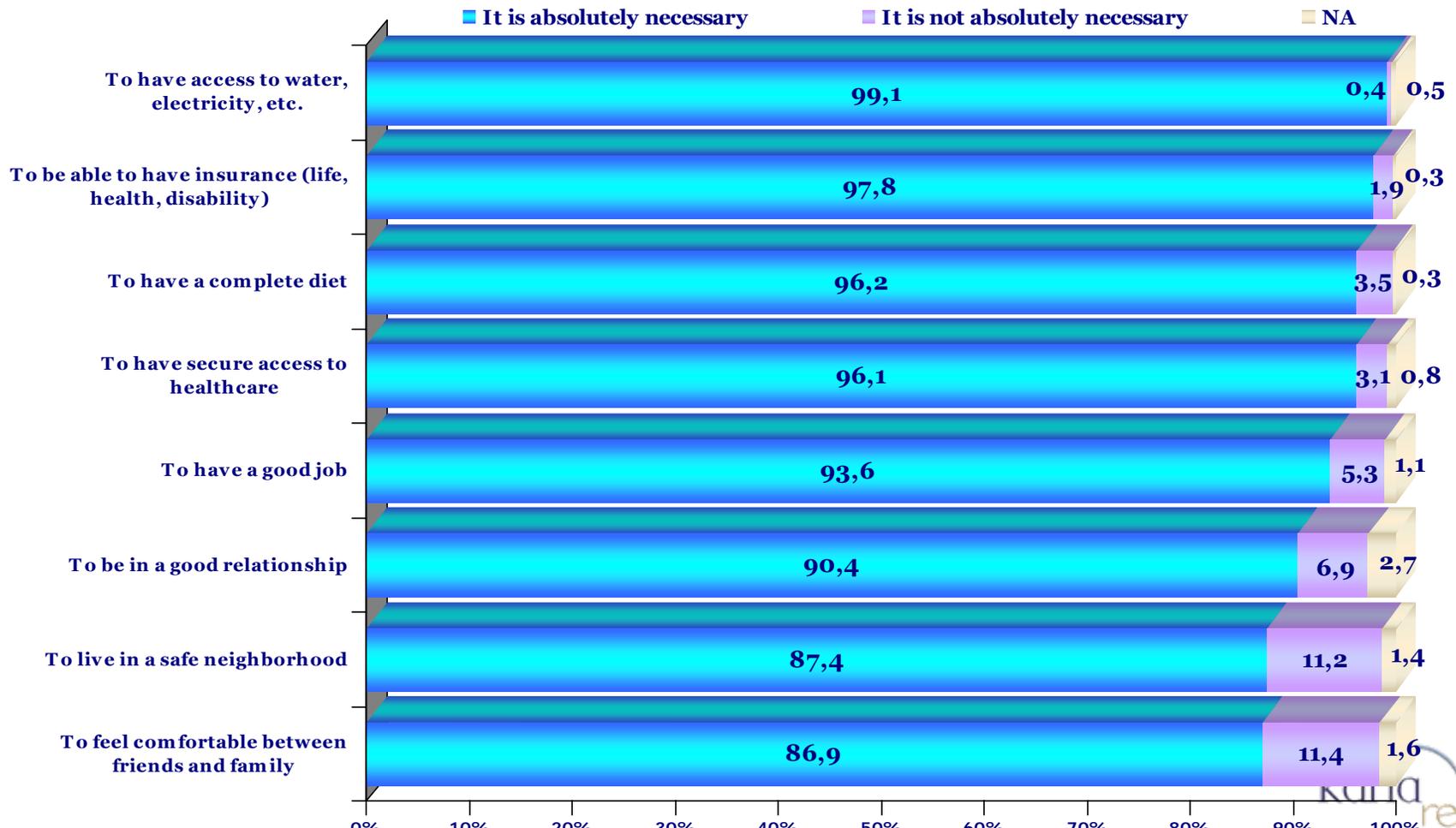


**And within the next year, you estimate that your situation will:**



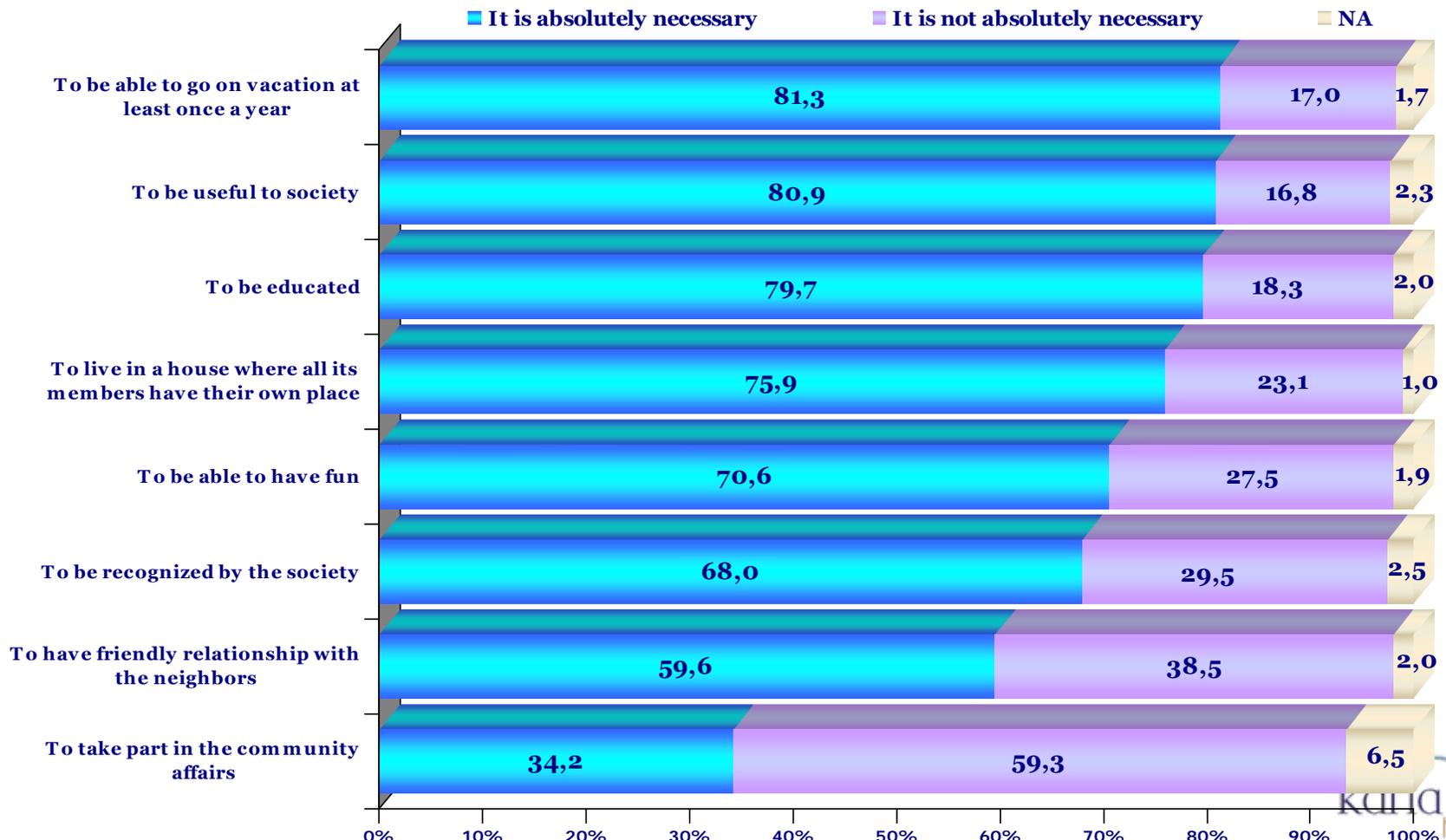


## For each of the following phrases, I would like you to tell me if you consider it or not absolutely necessary for a respectable life



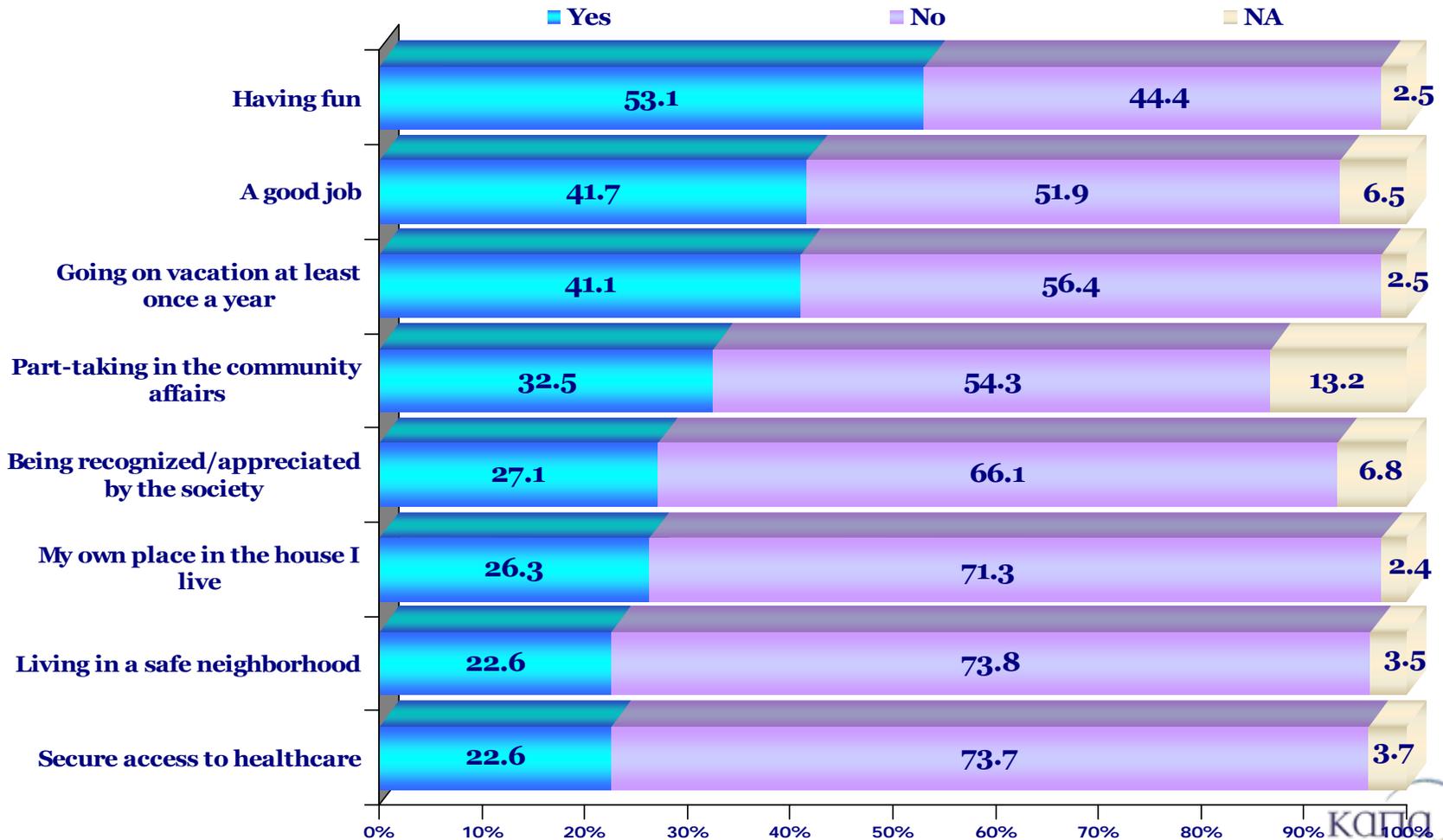


## For each of the following phrases, I would like you to tell me if you consider it or not absolutely necessary for a respectable life



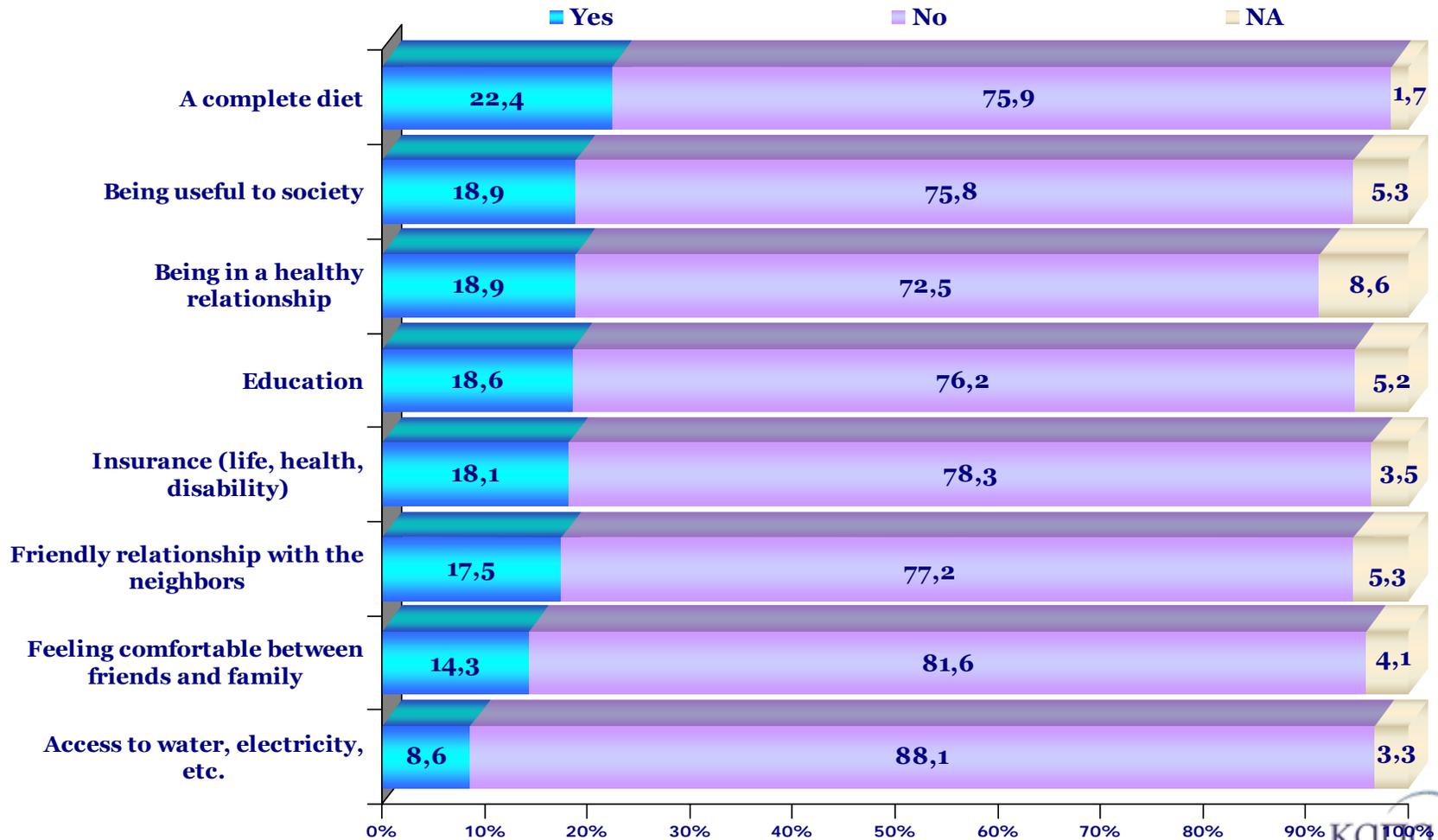


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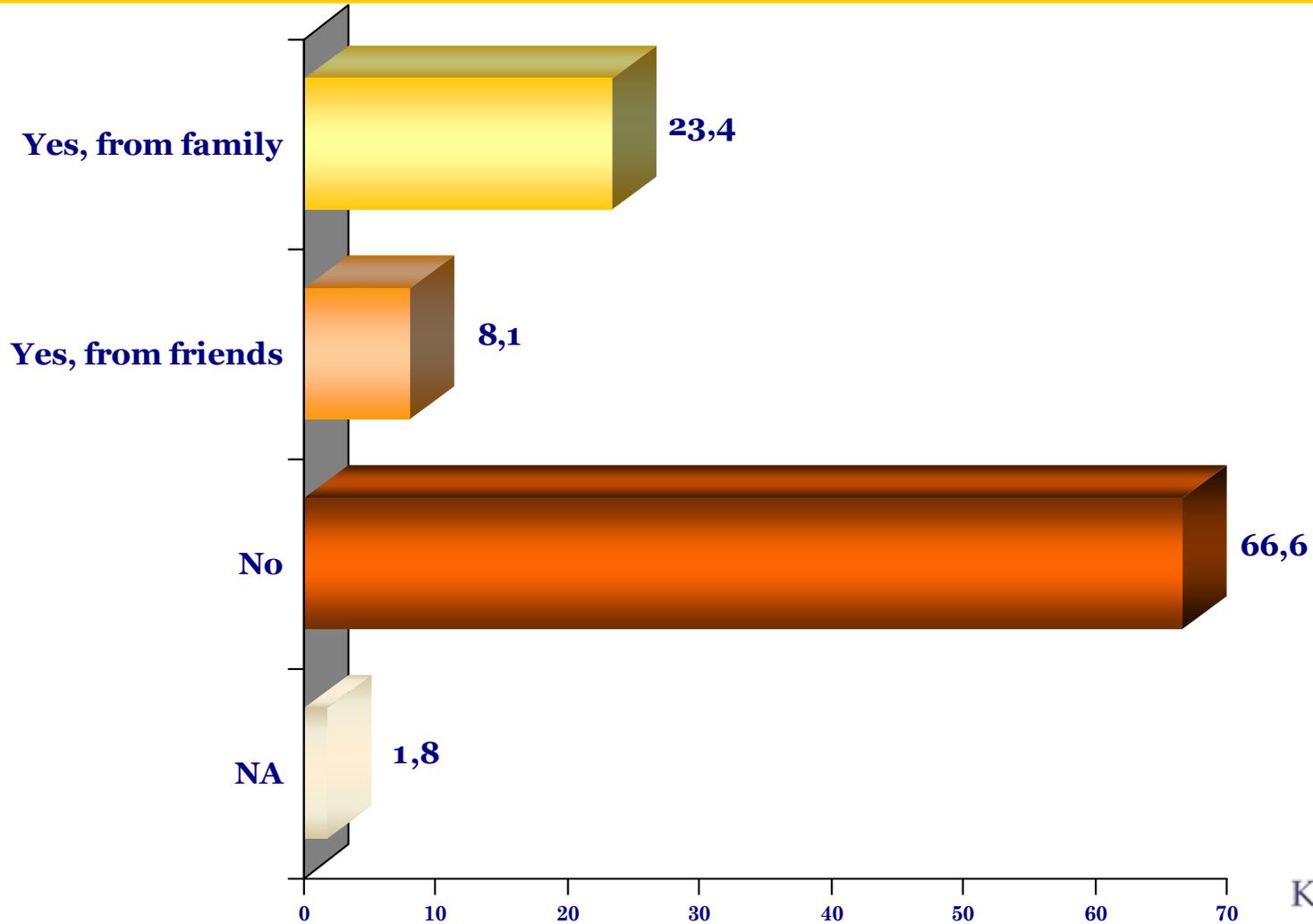


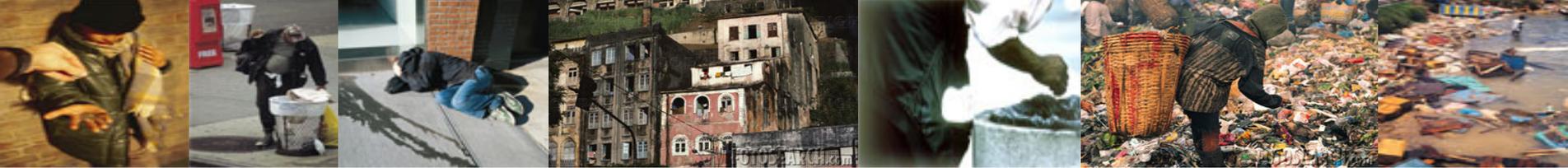
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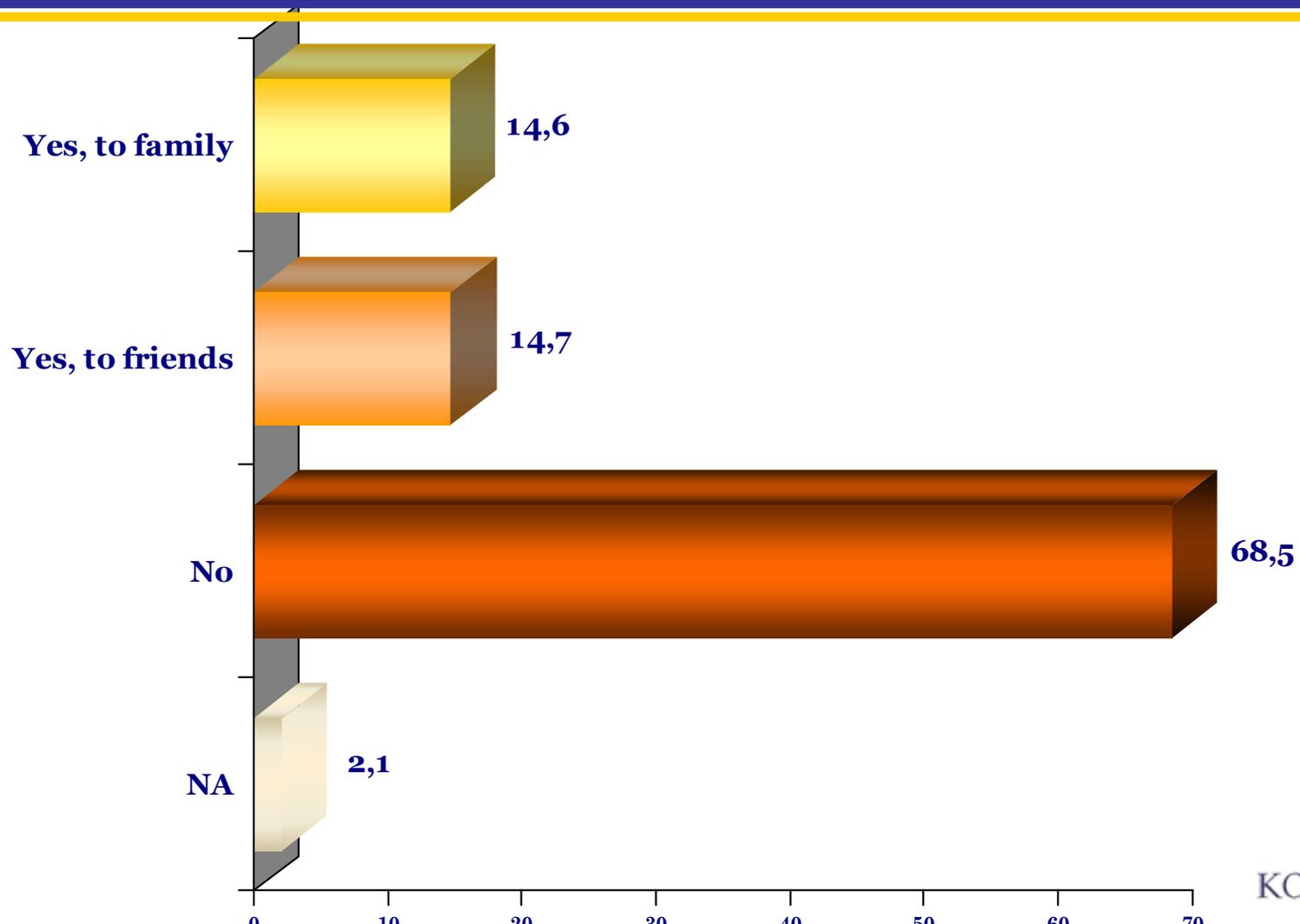


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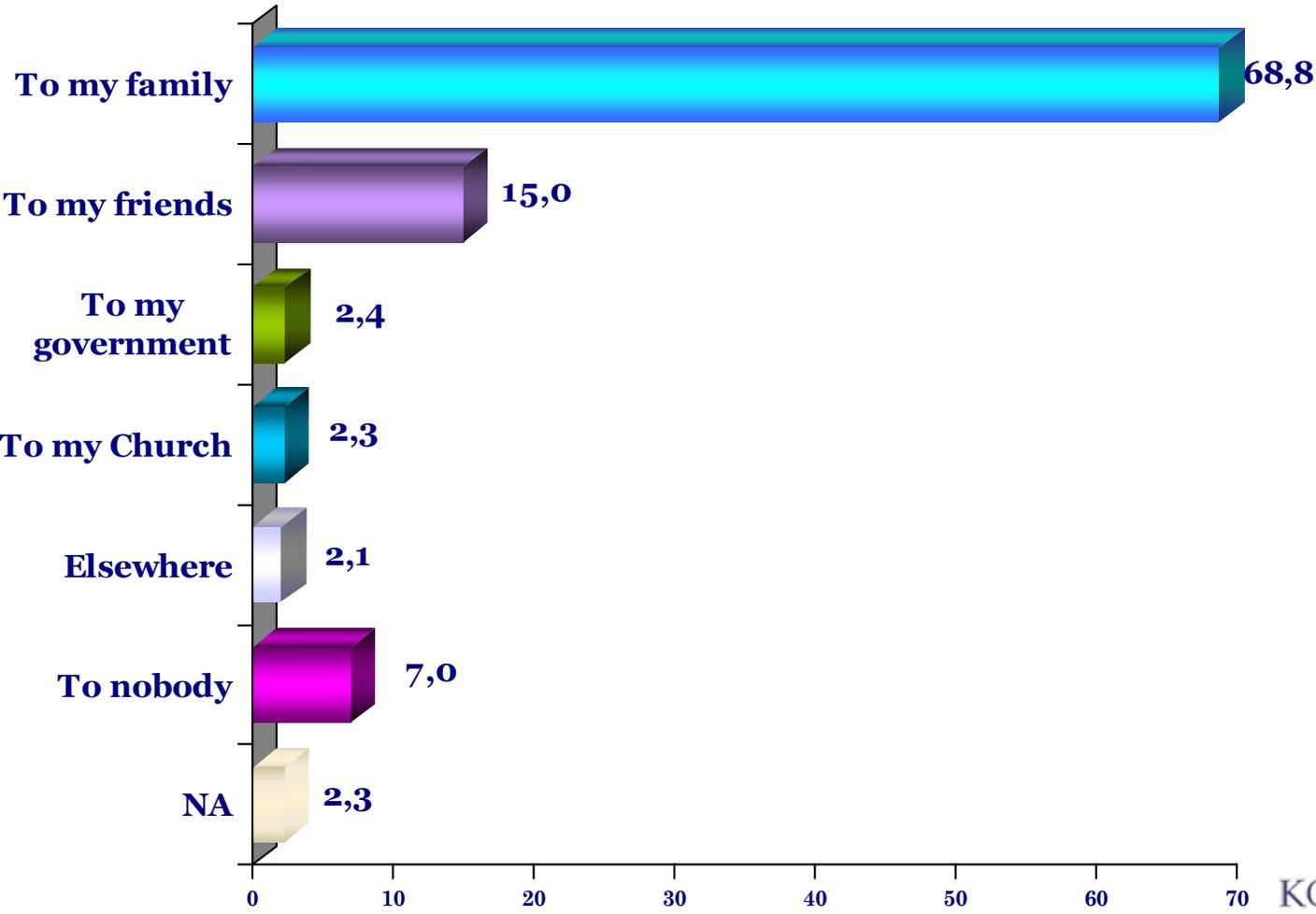


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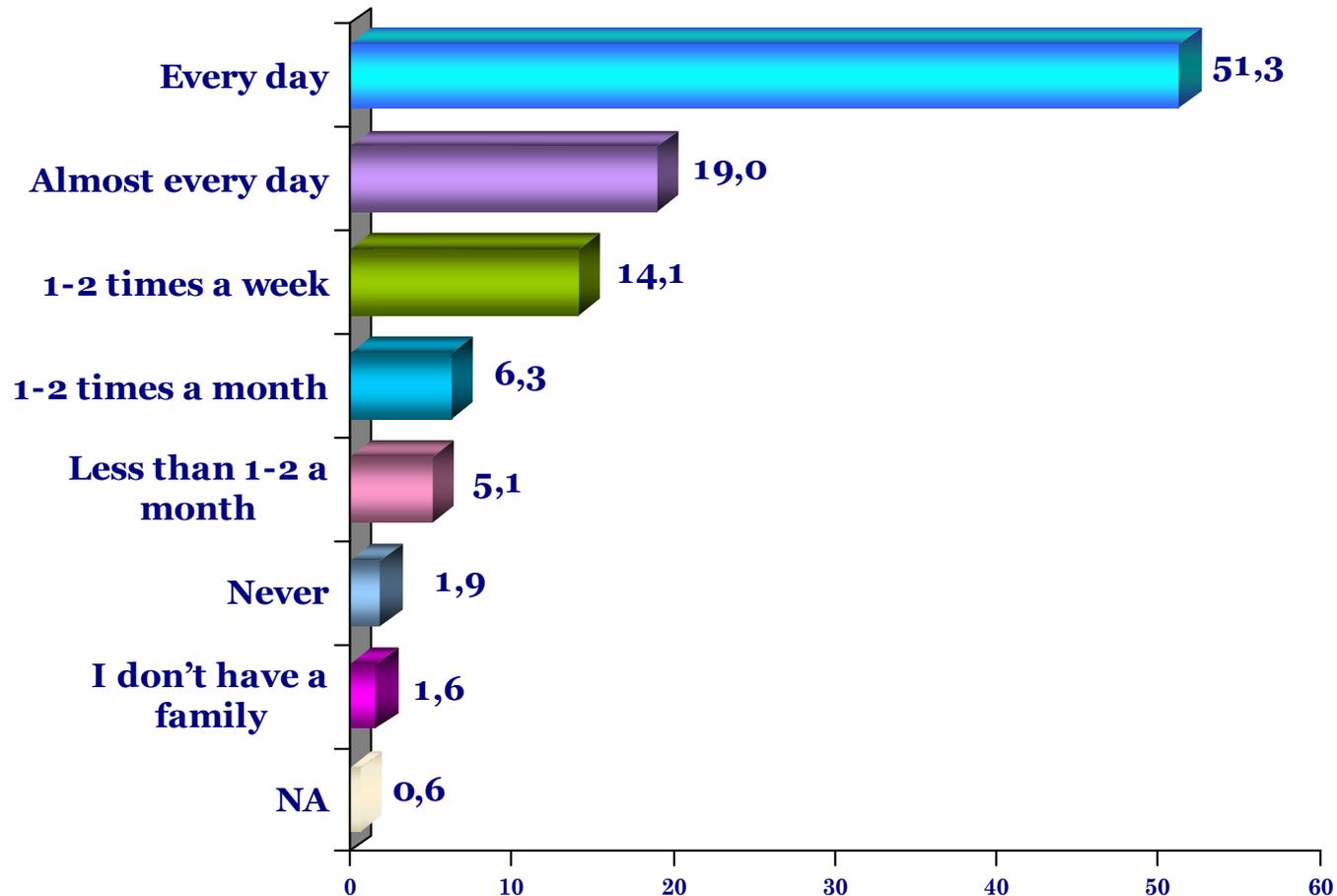


# If you had to face a serious problem and be in need for help, to who would you turn to?



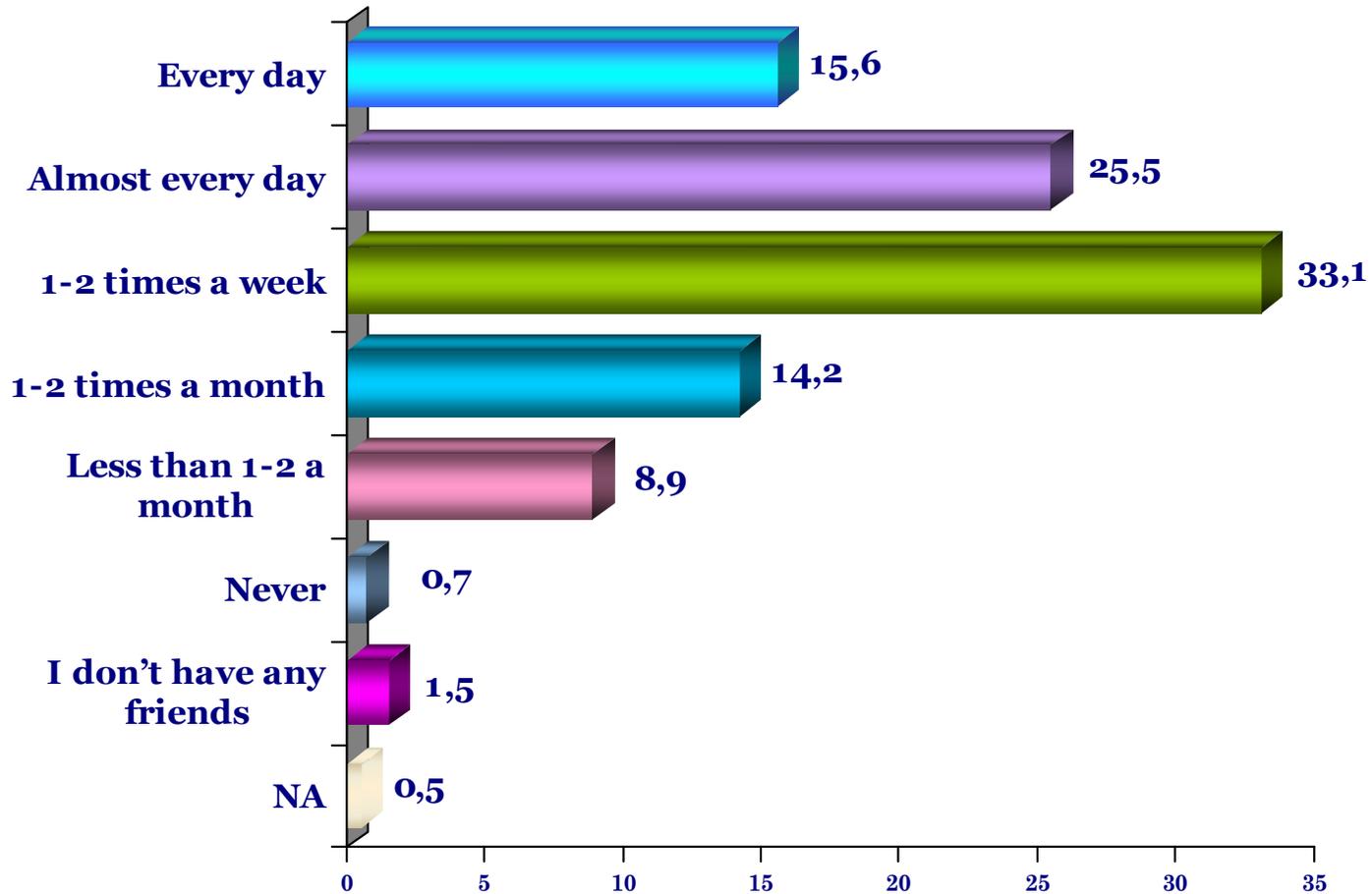


## How often would you say that you are in contact with your family?



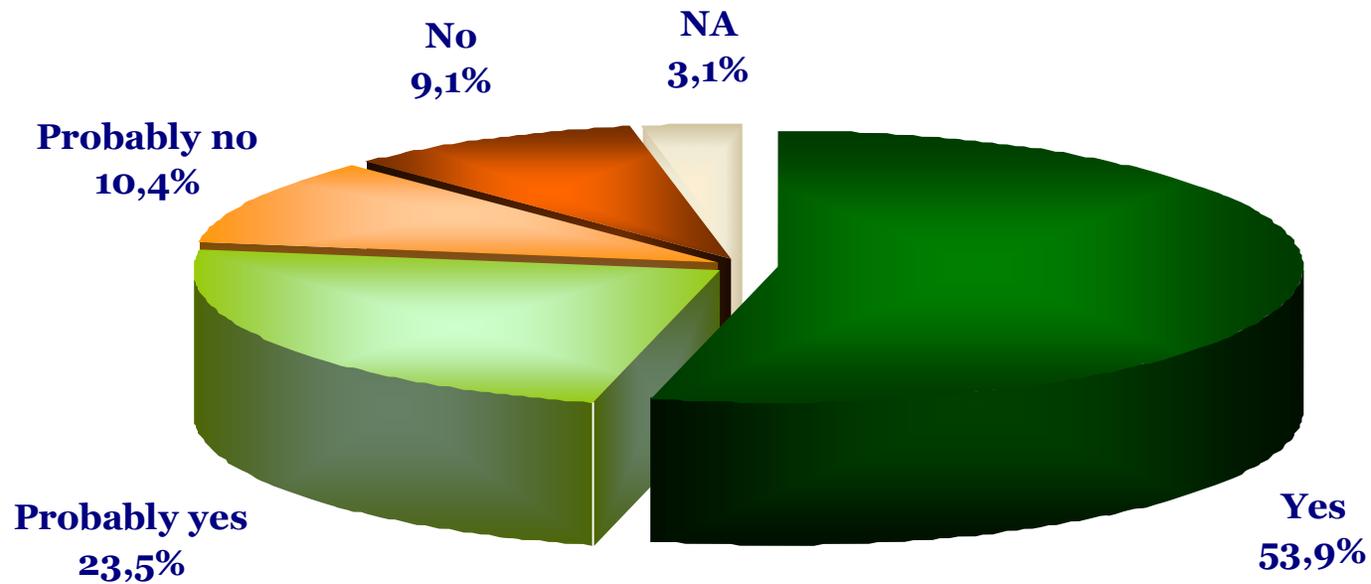


## And how often would you say that you are in contact with your friends?



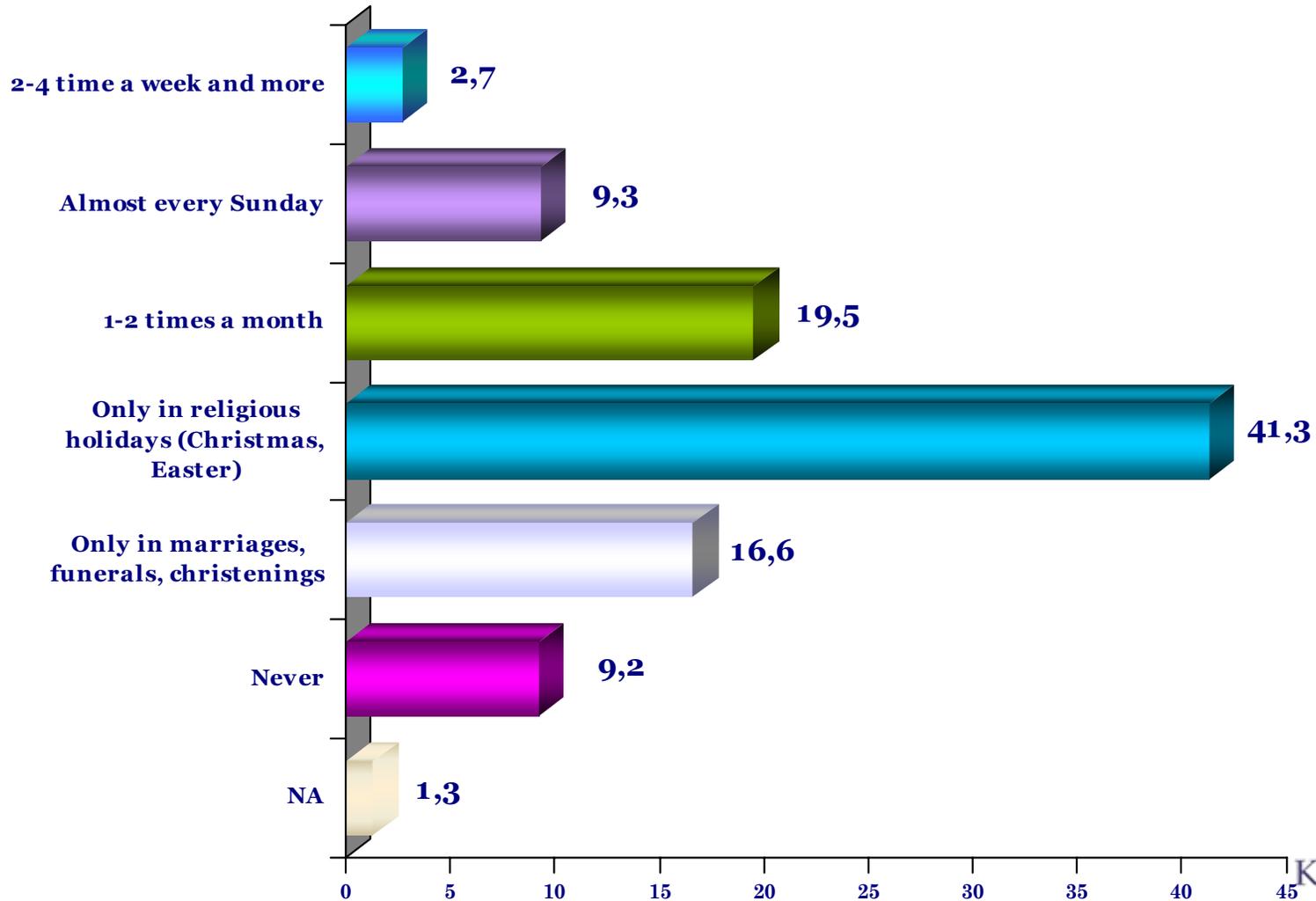


## Do you think that having children is absolutely necessary?



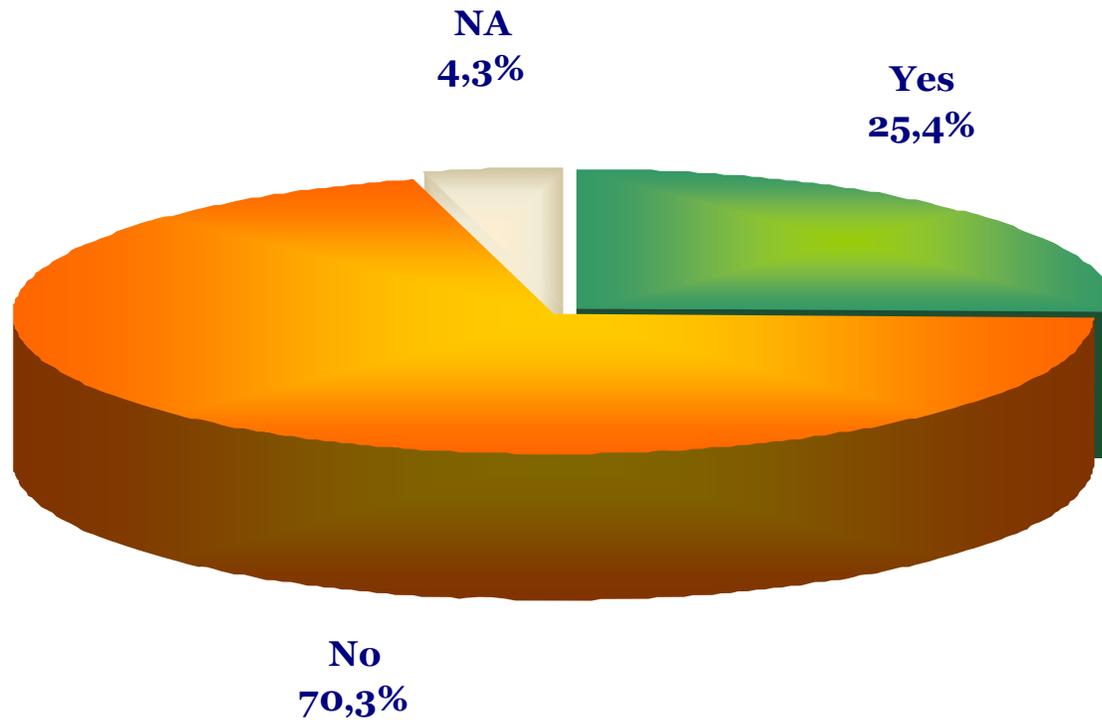


## How often do you go to church?



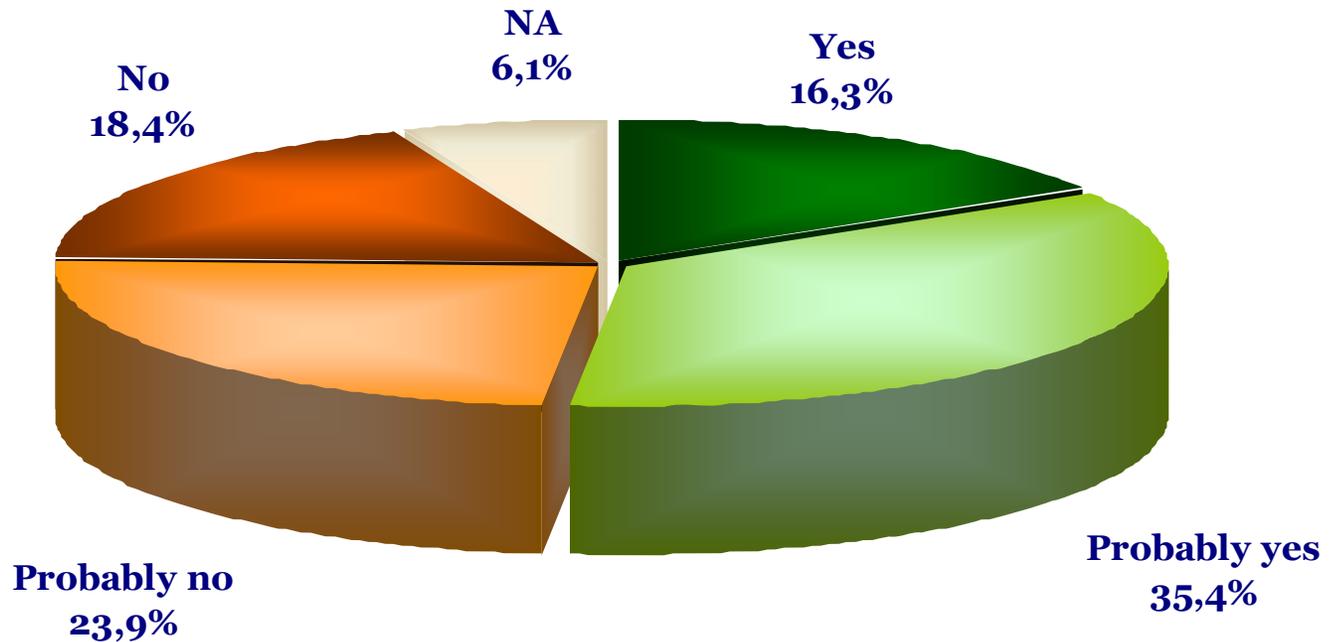


## Have you ever made an oblation to Church or prayed to God when you were in a difficult financial situation or in a state of poverty?



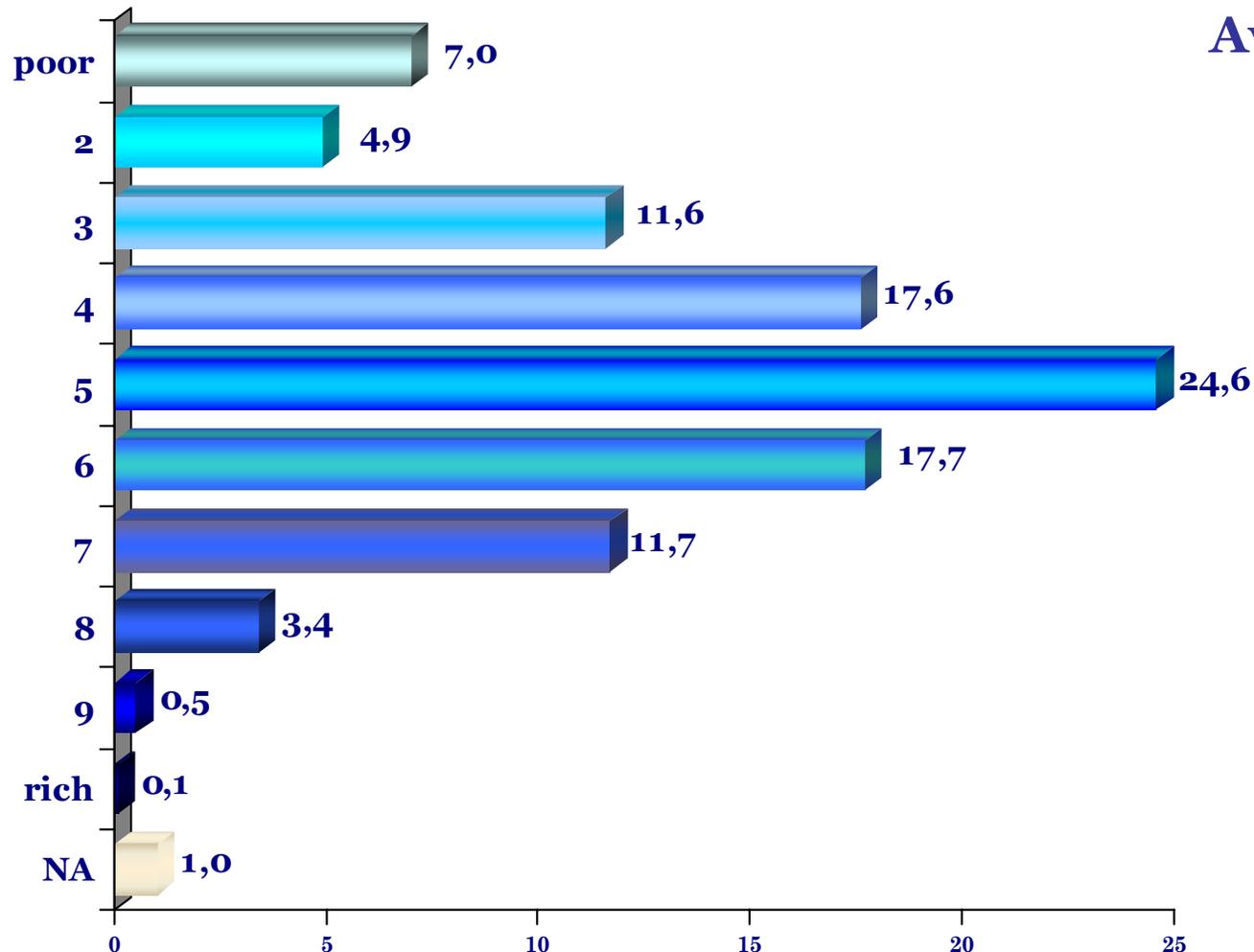


**If you were in a state of poverty,  
would you be able to hide it from your social cycle?**



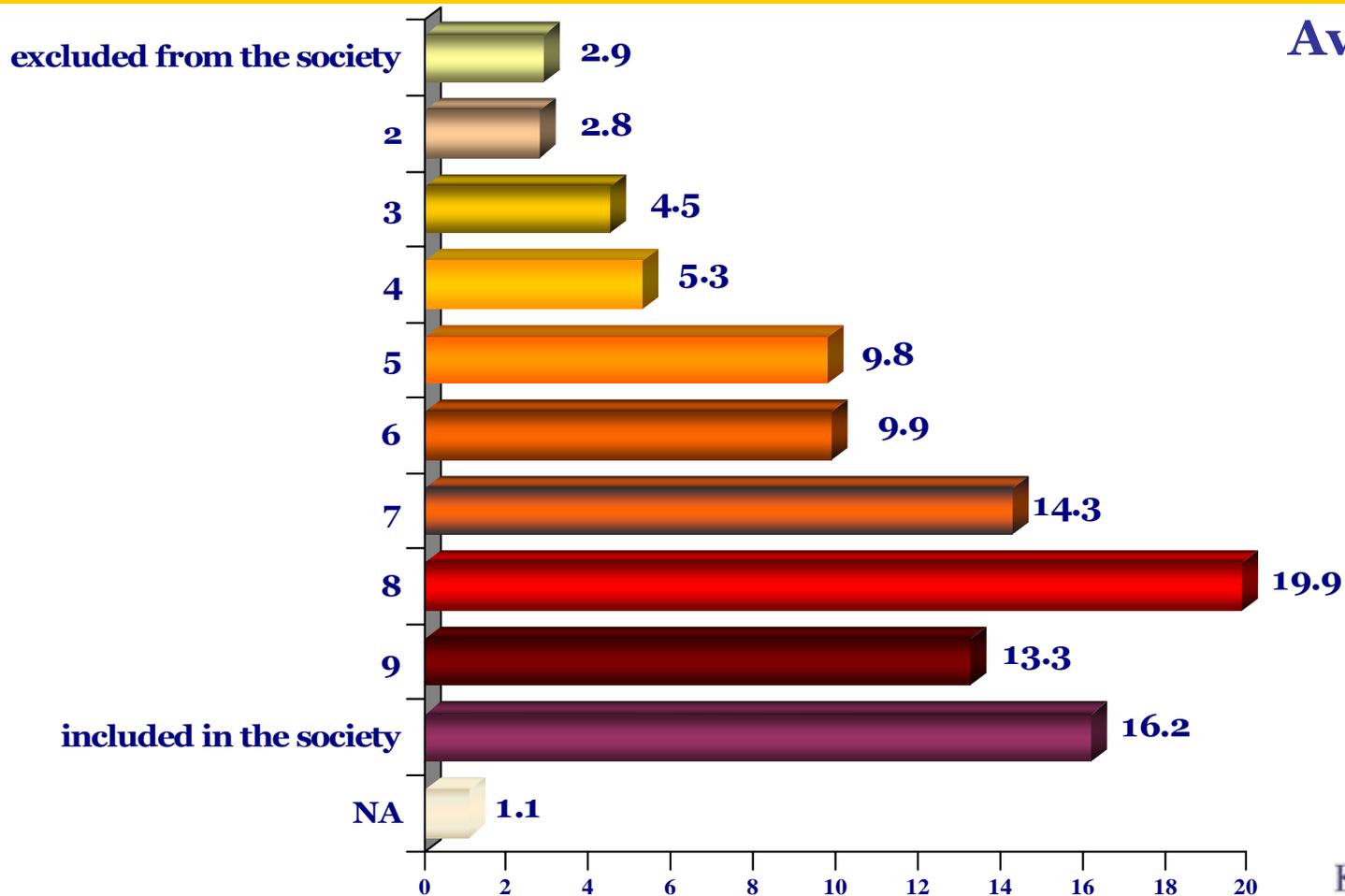


## From 1 meaning “poor” and 10 meaning “rich,” where would you place your household?





**From 1 meaning “excluded from the society” and 10 meaning “included in the society,” were would you place yourself?**





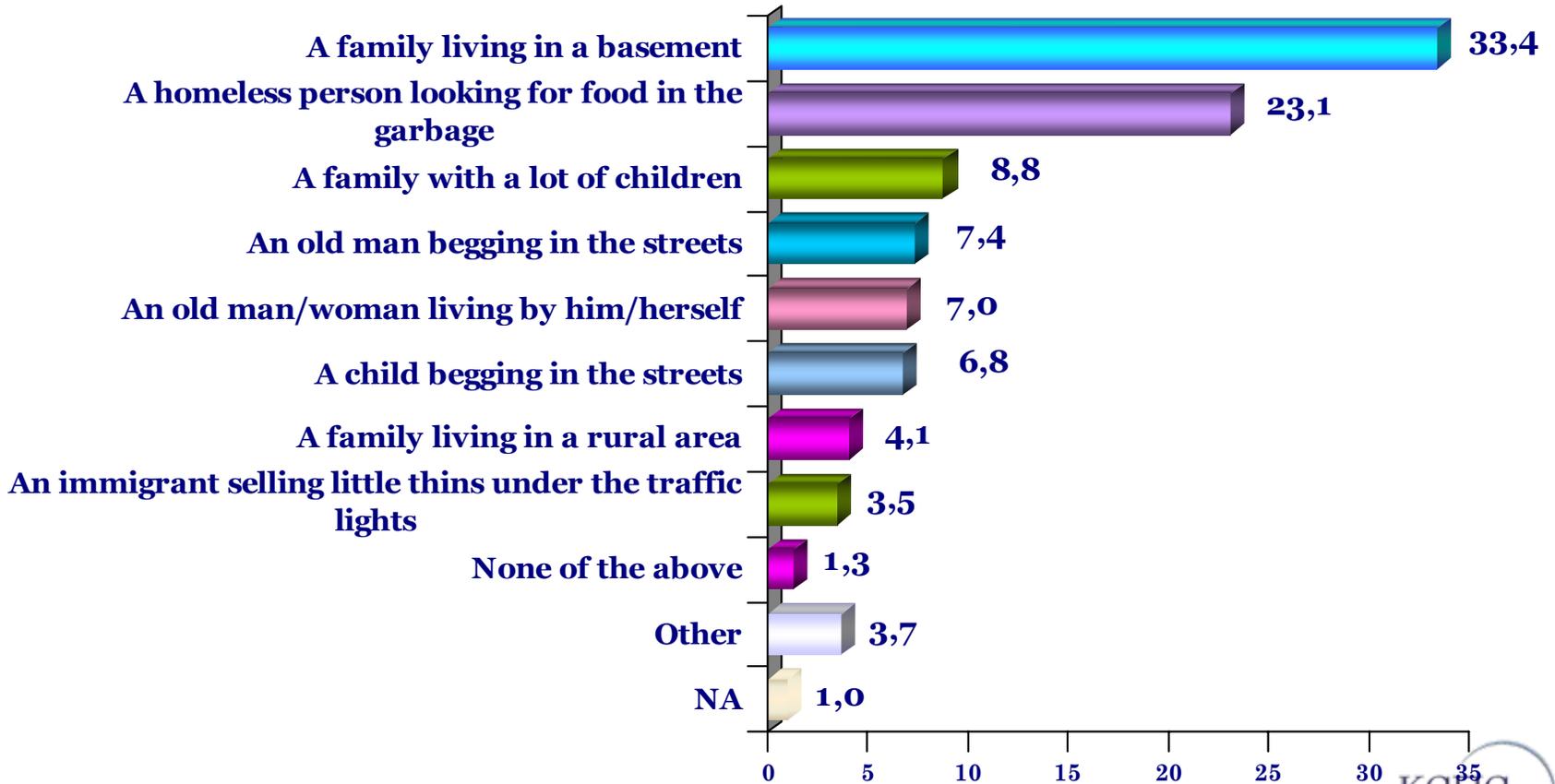
# *Chapter C:*



# SUBJECTIVE POVERTY

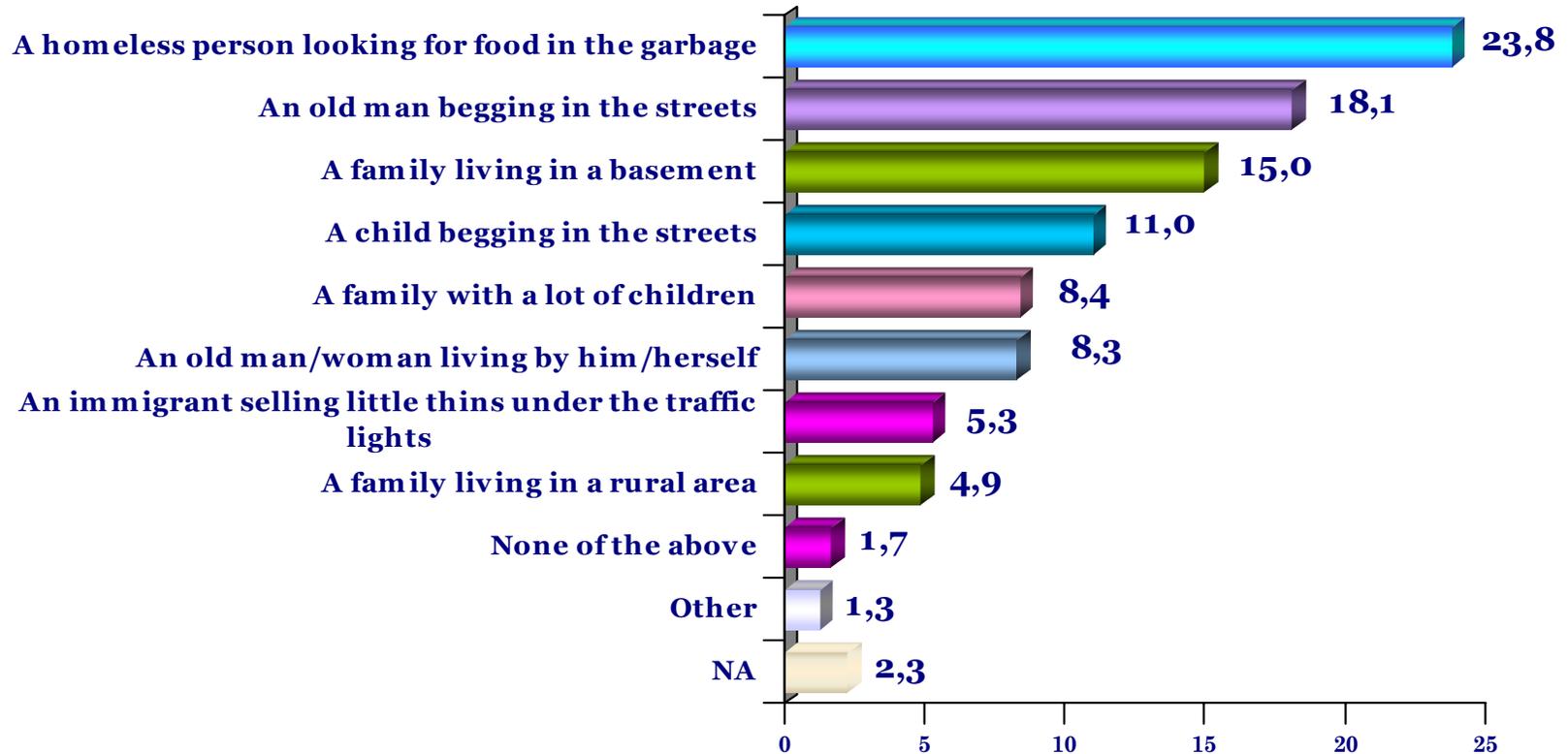


**We will now turn to your view on the issue of poverty in general.  
 What is the first picture the word “poor” brings in your mind?**



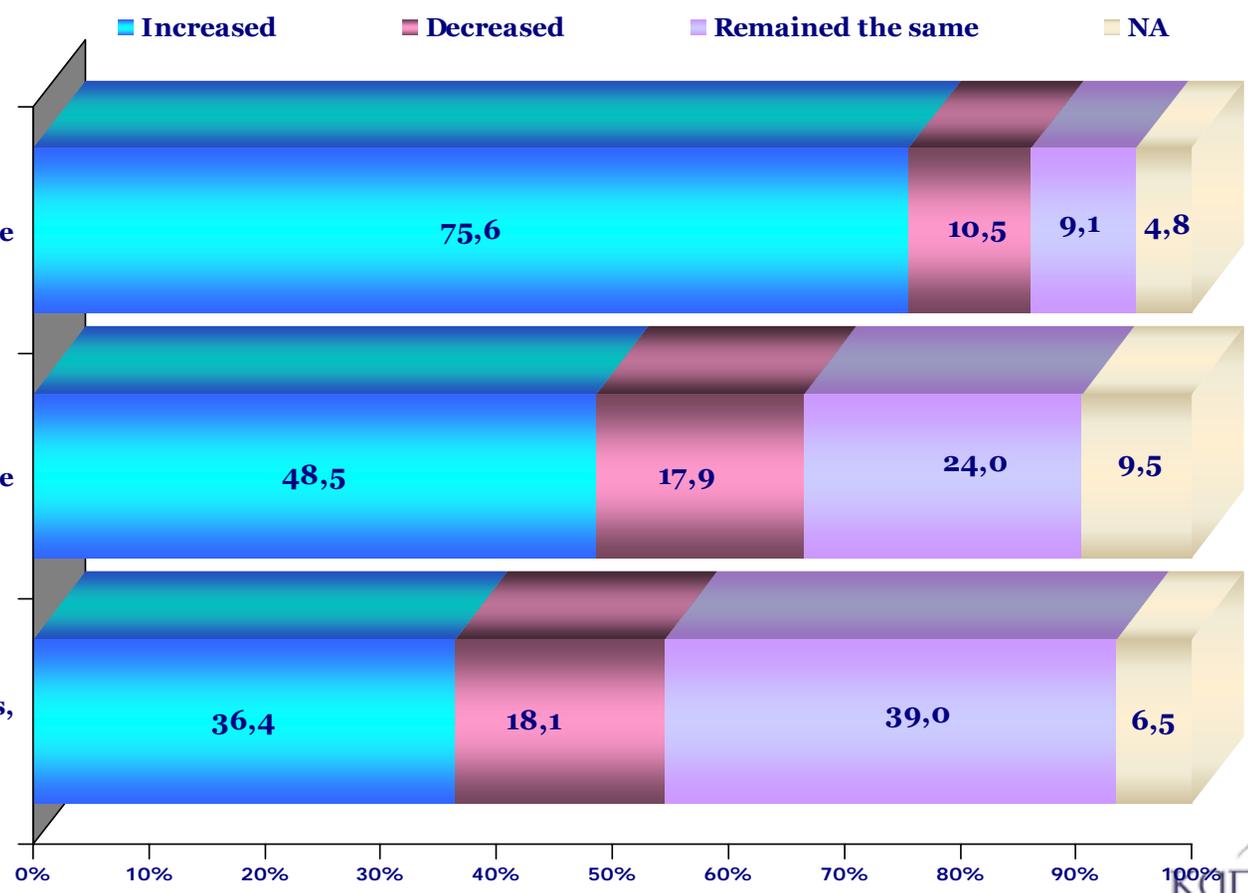


## And what is the second picture that comes in your mind?





# Generally speaking, would you say that in relation with 10 years ago, the number of poor people has:

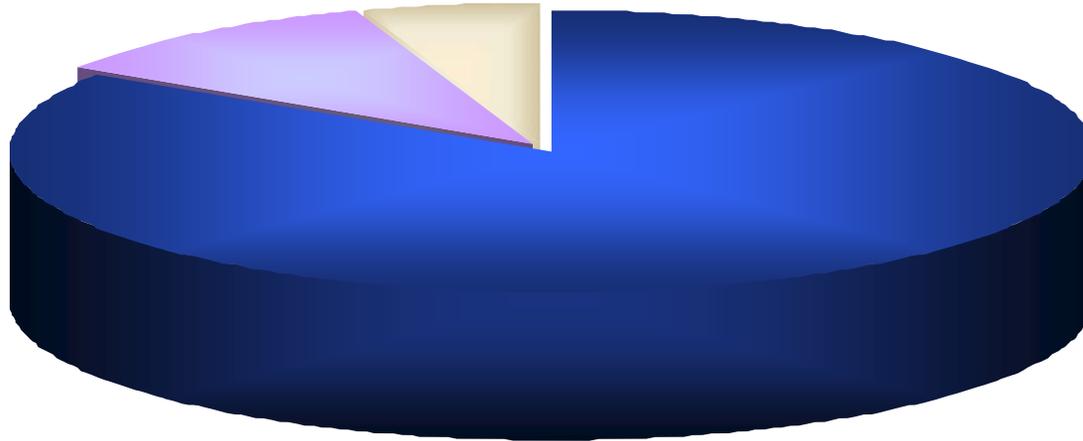




## With which of the two sentences bellow you agree the most?

**In Greece, the gap  
between the rich and  
the poor decreases**  
10,6%

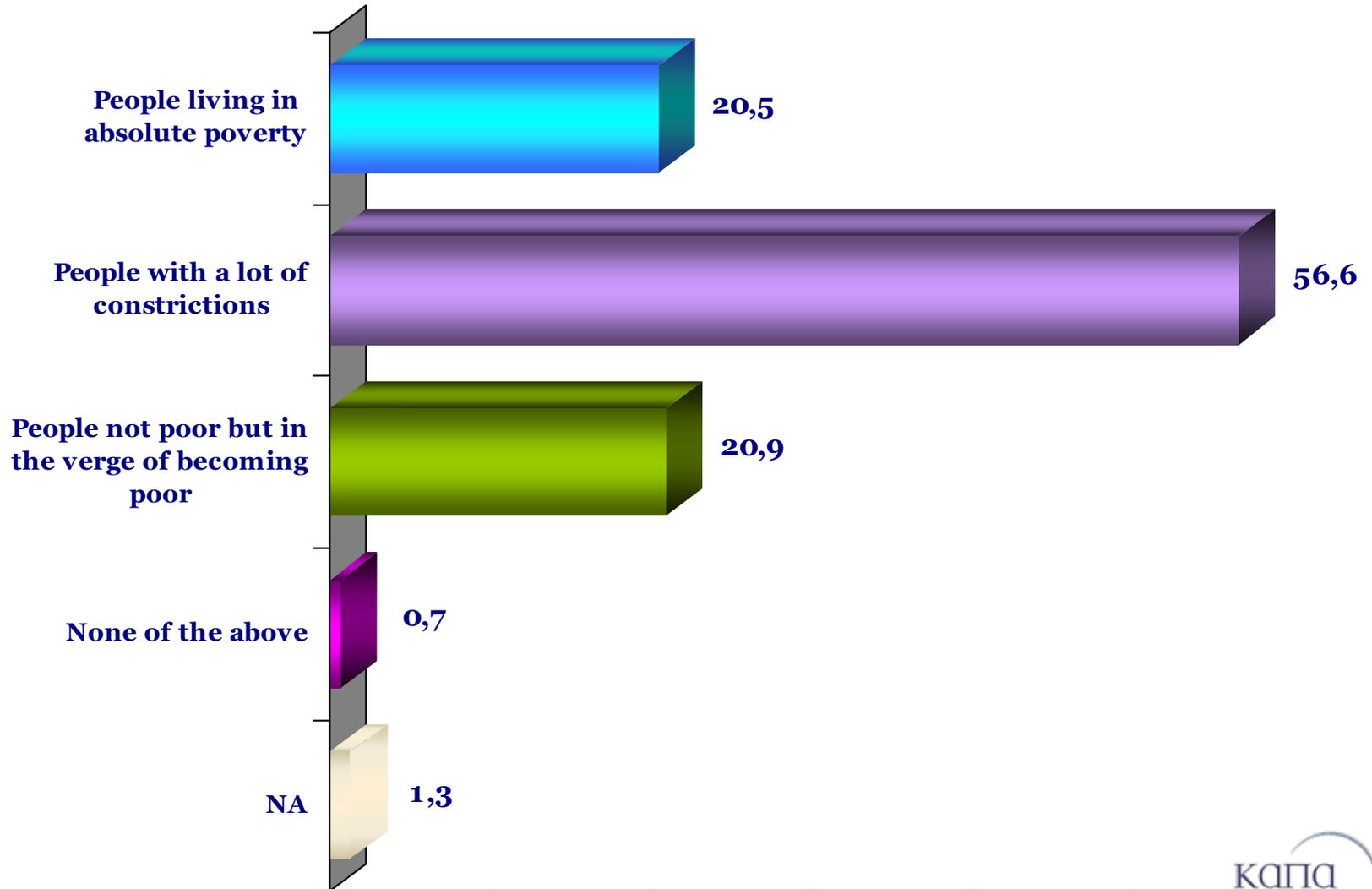
**NA**  
5,2%



**In Greece, the rich get  
richer and the poor get  
poorer**  
84,2%

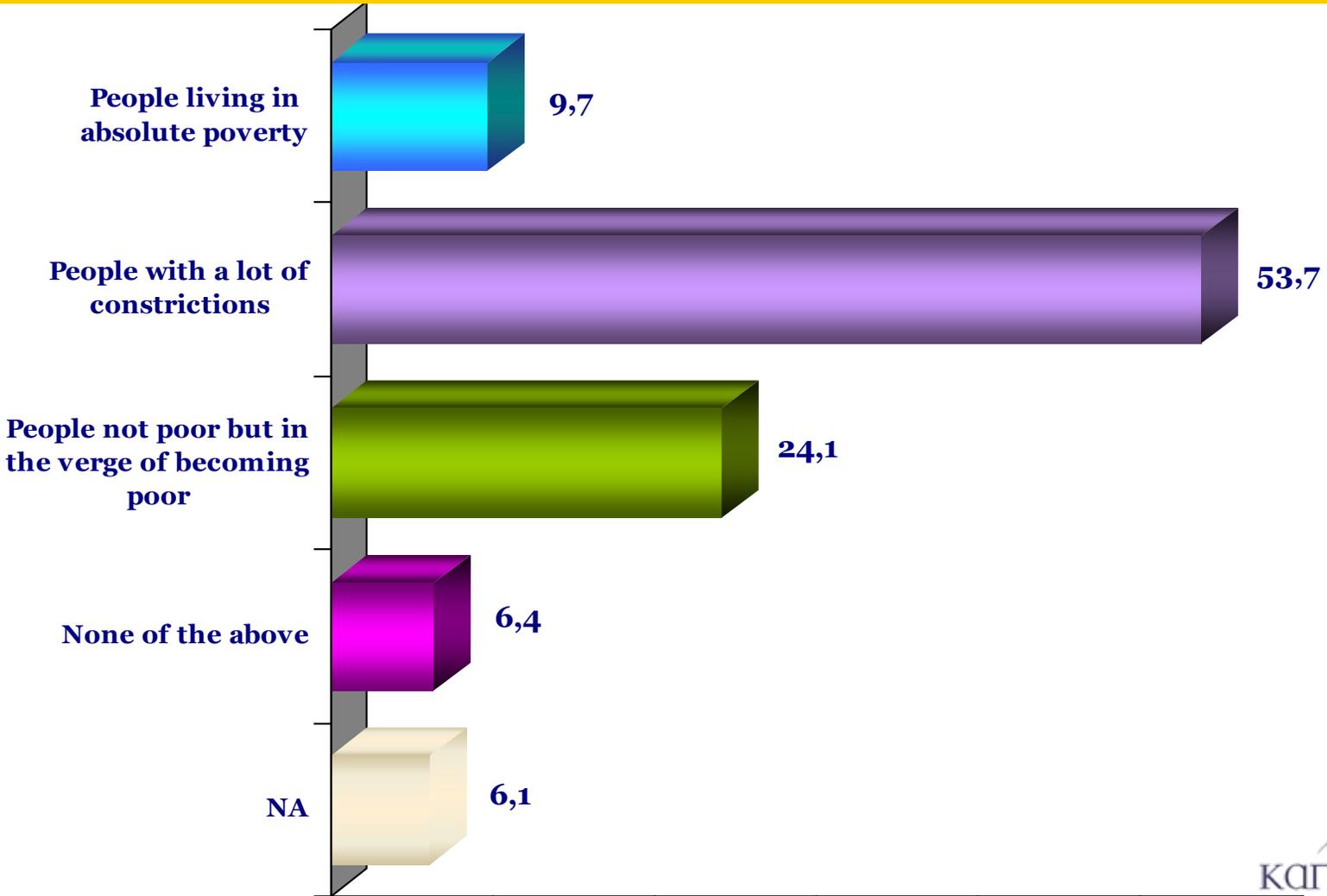


## Would you say that in our country the poor people are mostly:



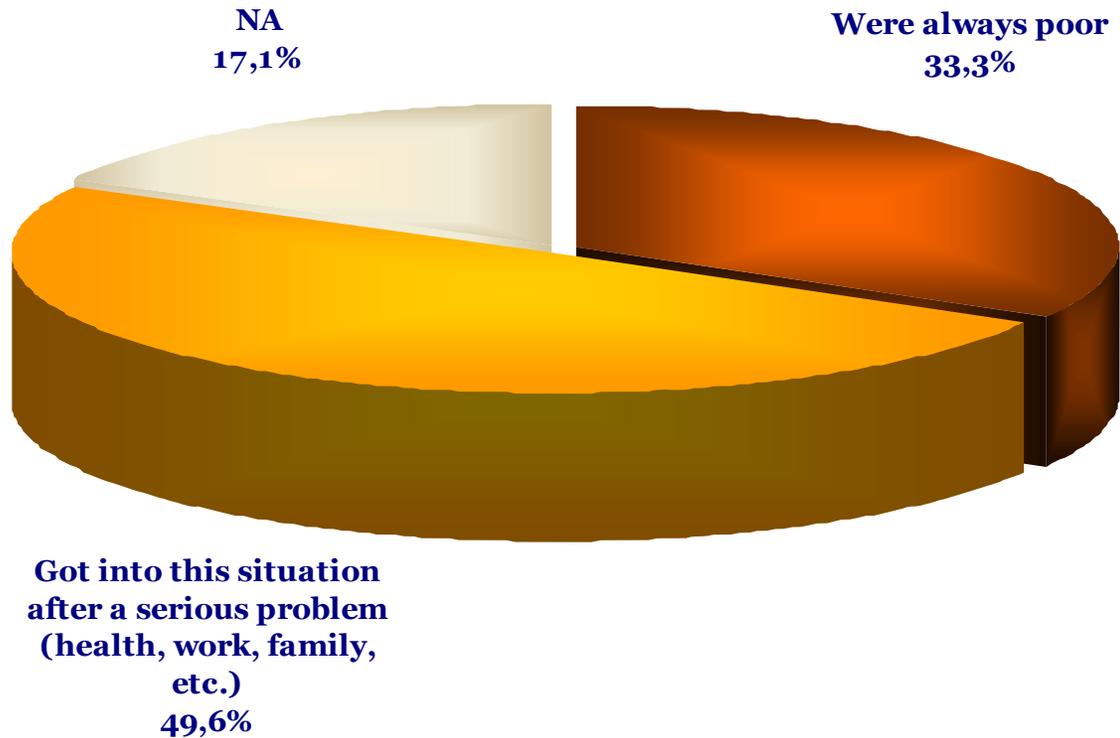


**And in your neighborhood,  
would you say that the poor people are mostly:**



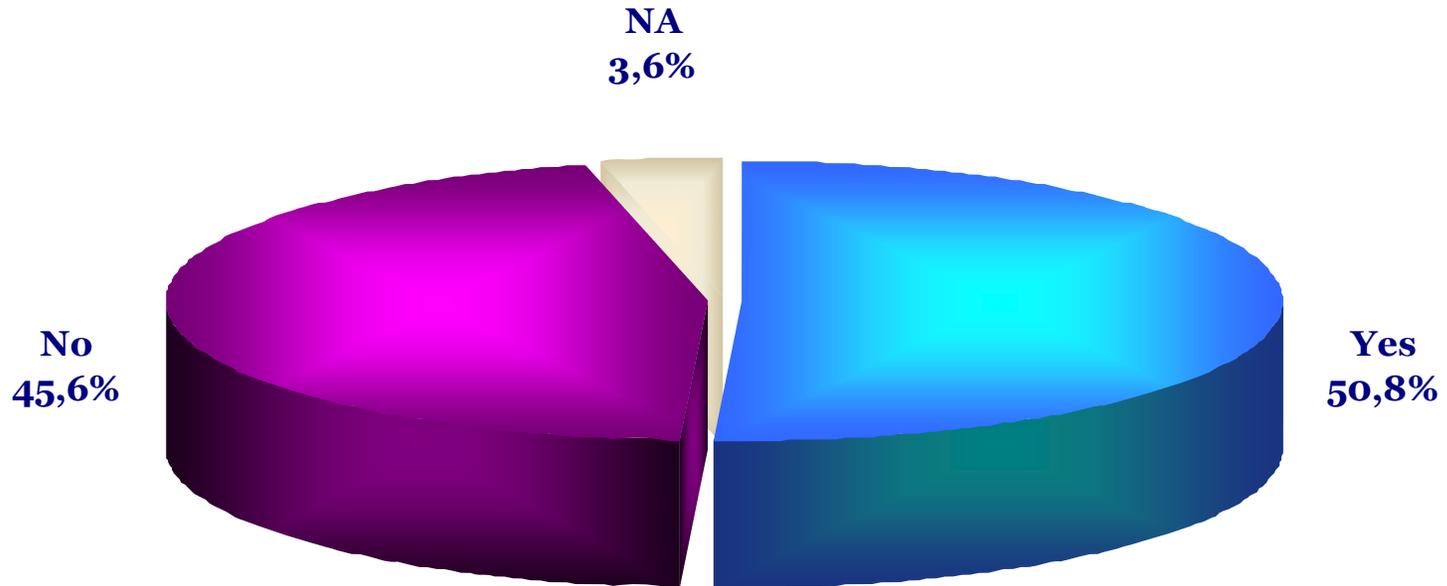


## From your point of view, these people:



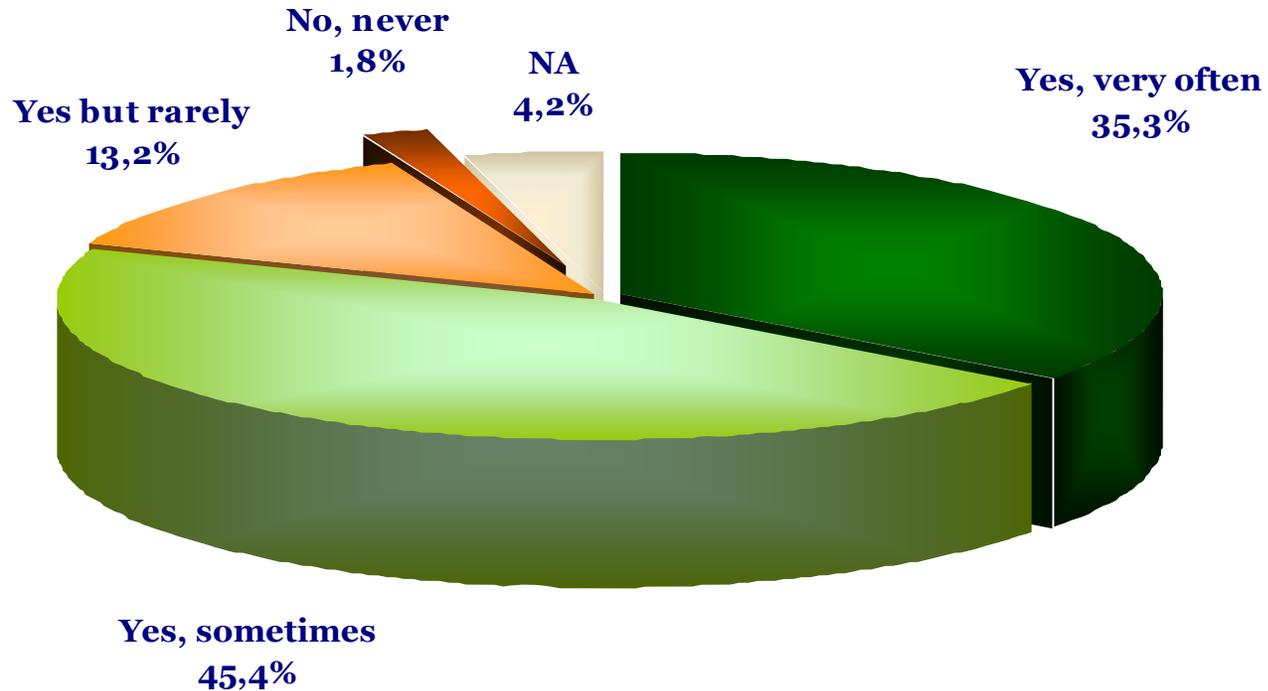


## Are there any poor people among your friends and family?



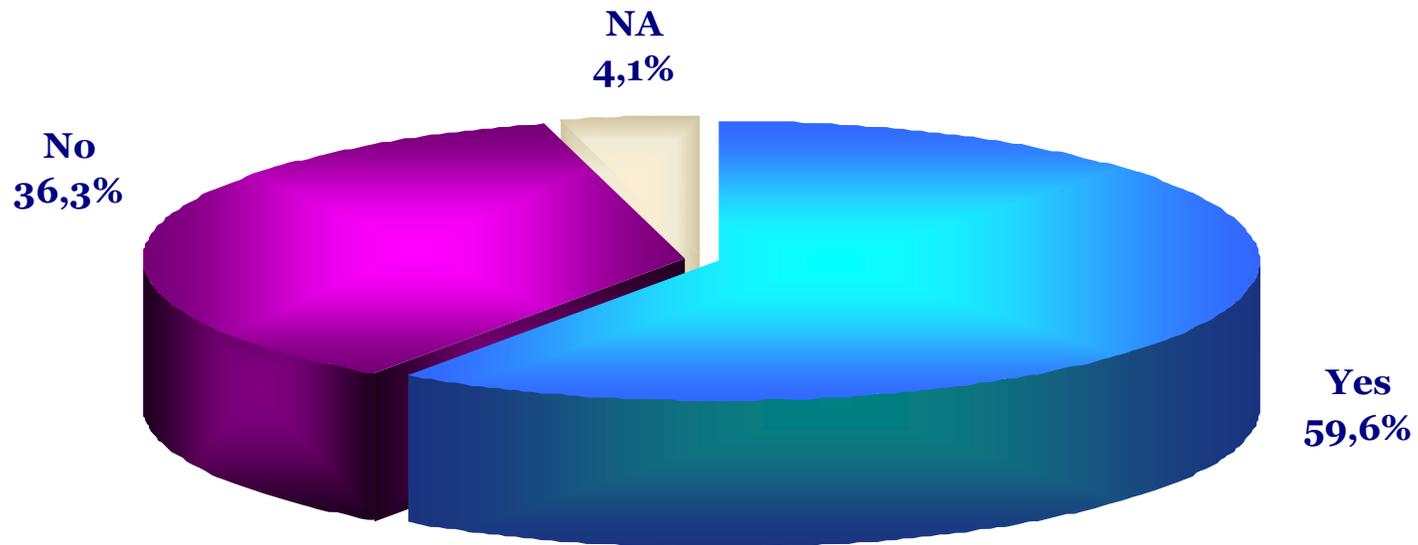


## Do you get to see yourself the living conditions of these people?



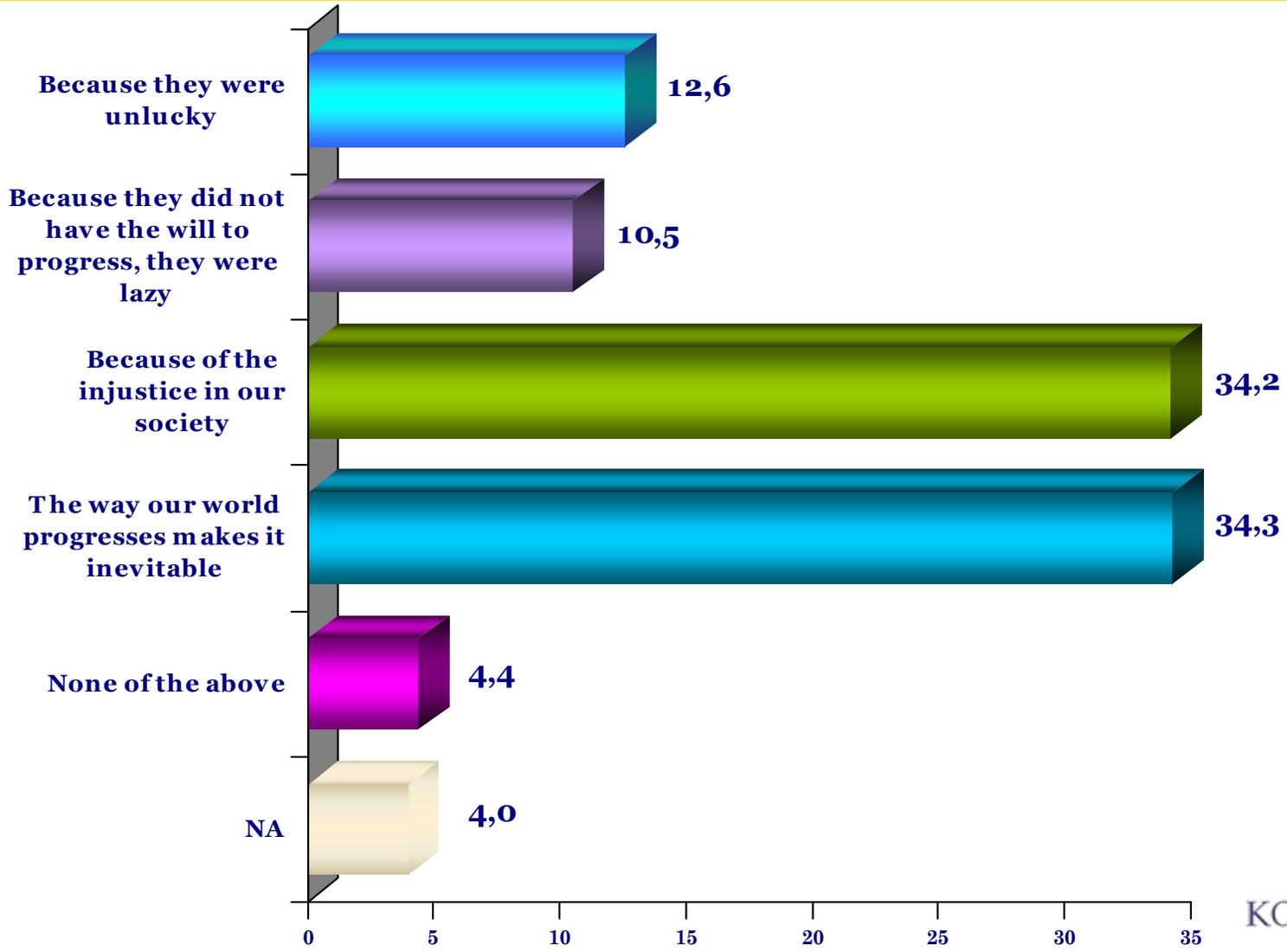


## Have you ever been afraid of being poor?





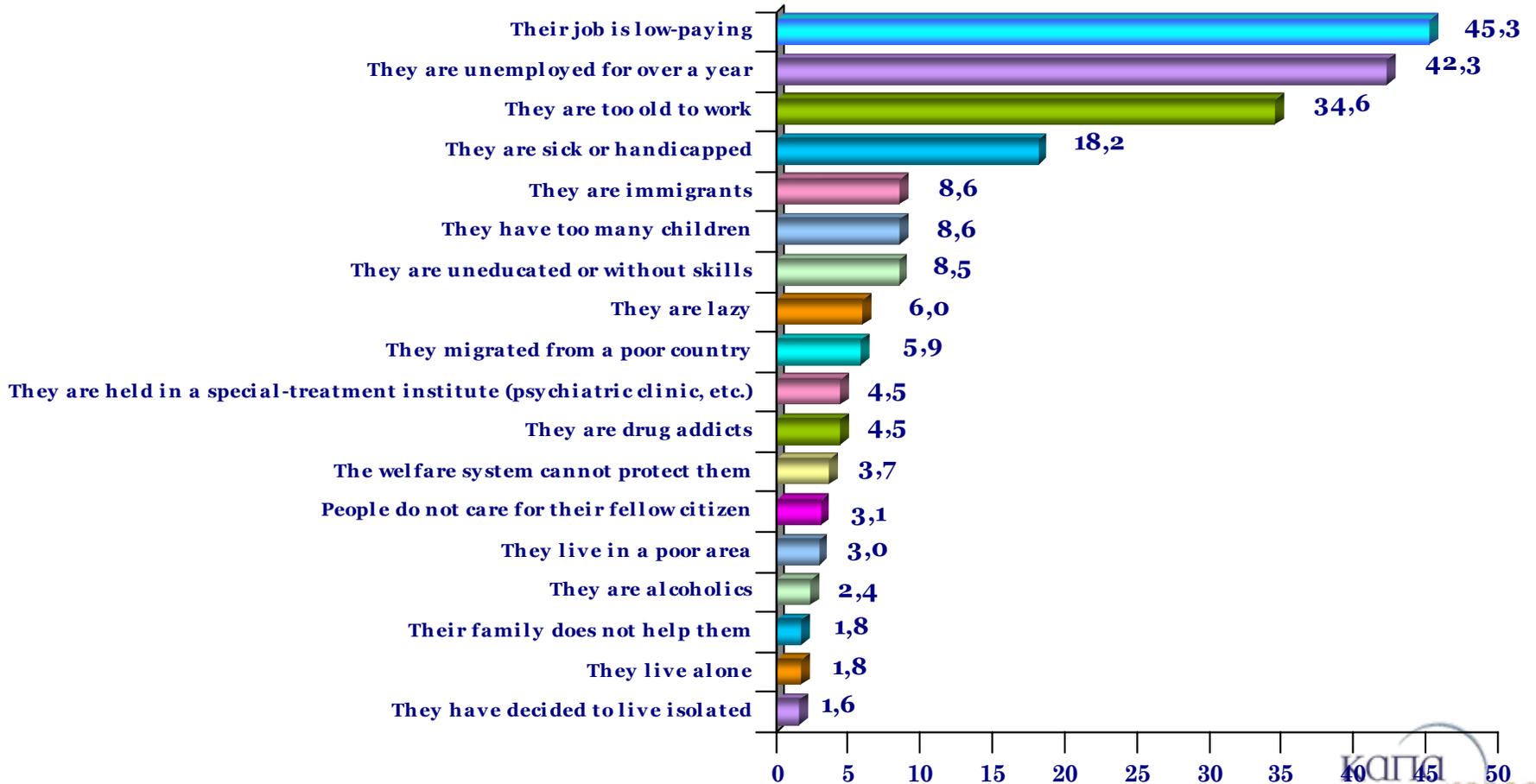
## Generally speaking, why do you think that there are poor people?





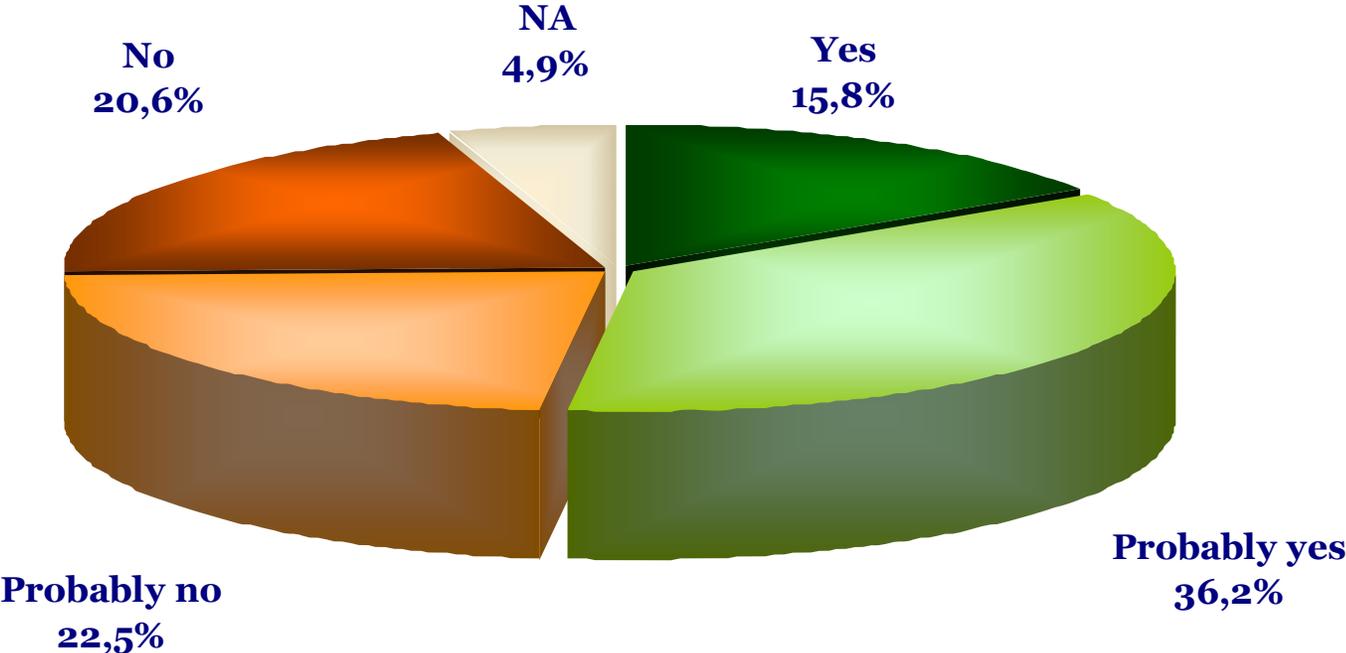
# I will now read you a list of causes of poverty and I would like you to tell me which is the most important for you. People are poor because:

(up to 3 answers)



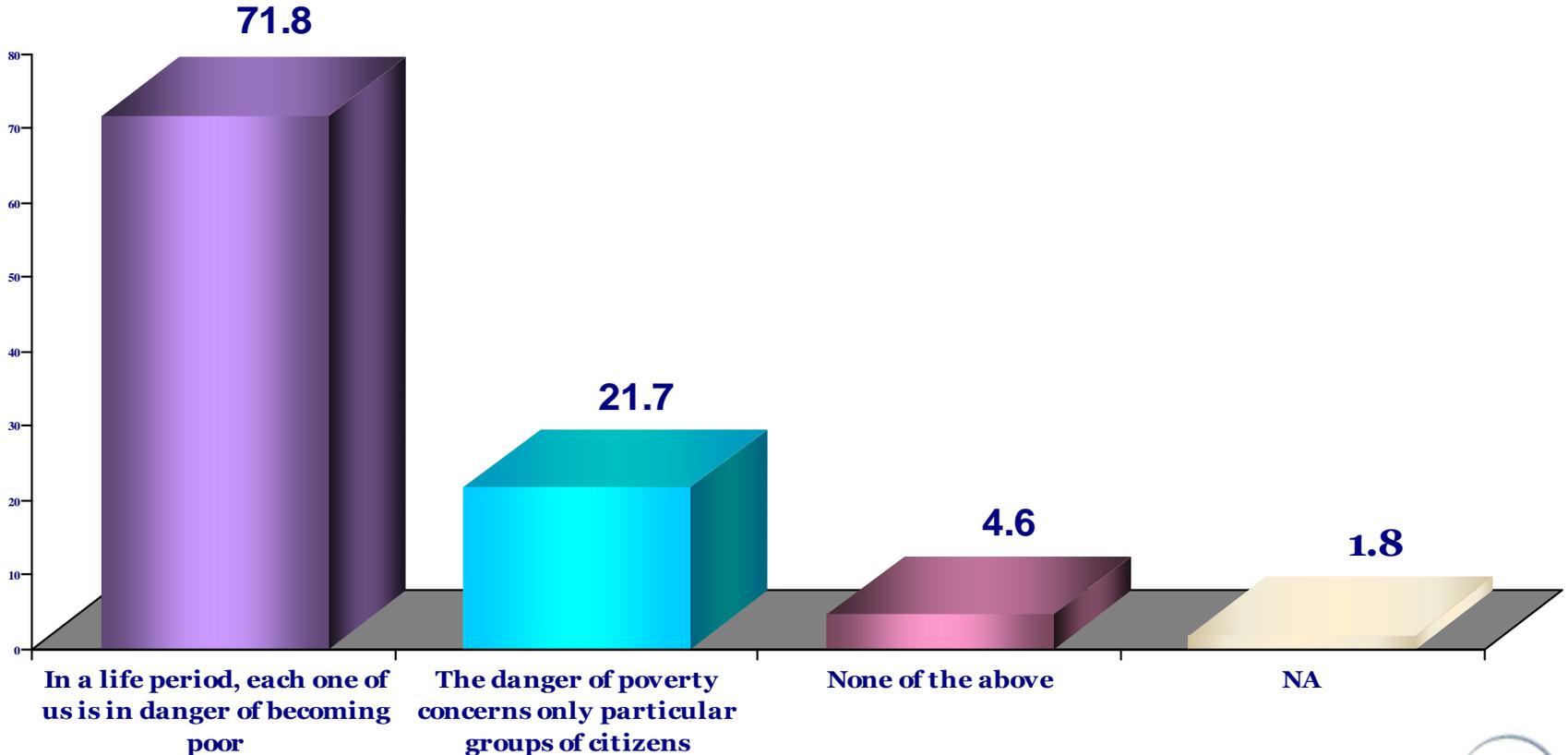


# Do you believe that when the parents are poor, the children have high possibilities to end up poor also?



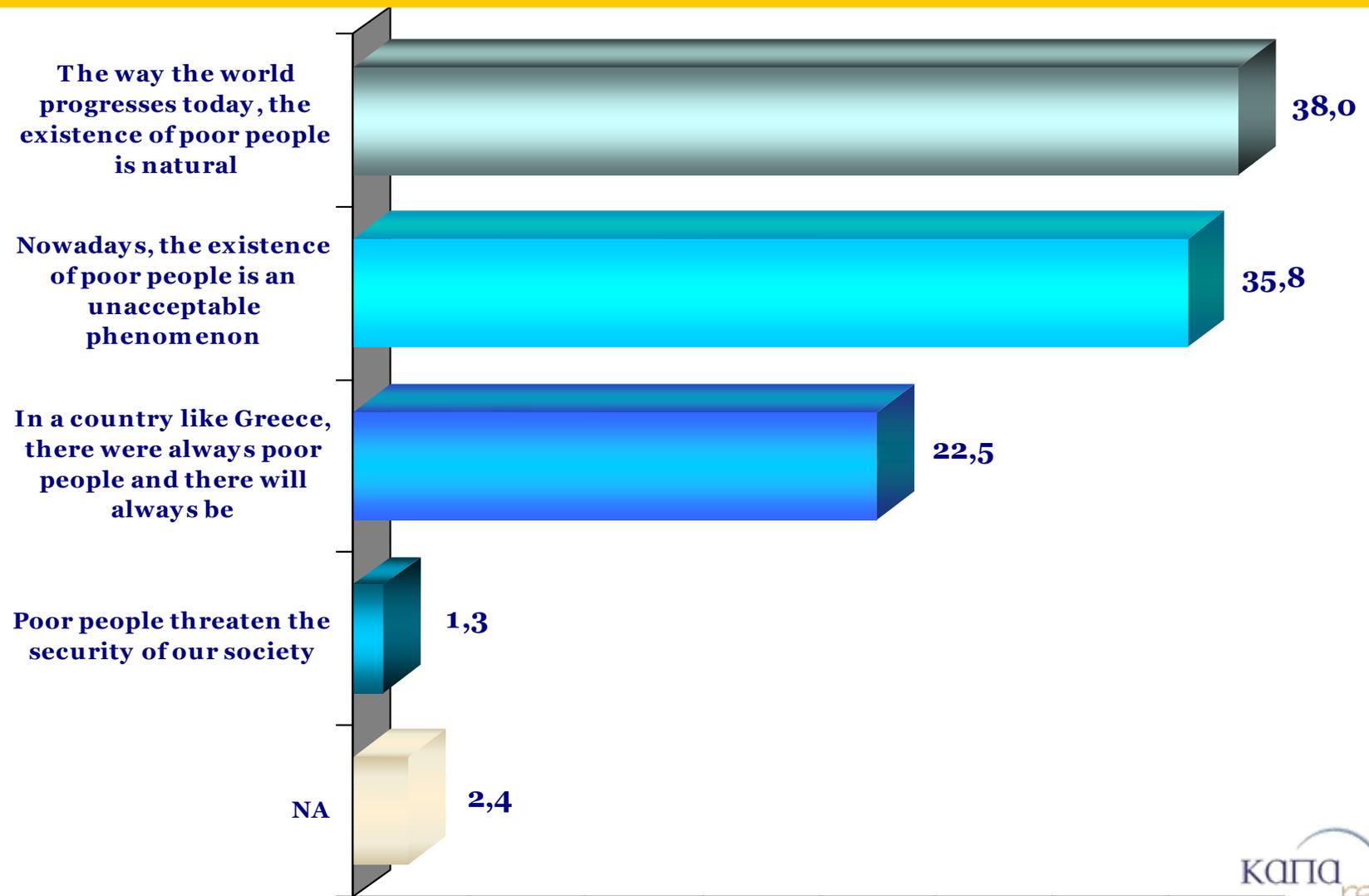


## Which of the following phrases you think reflects your views best?



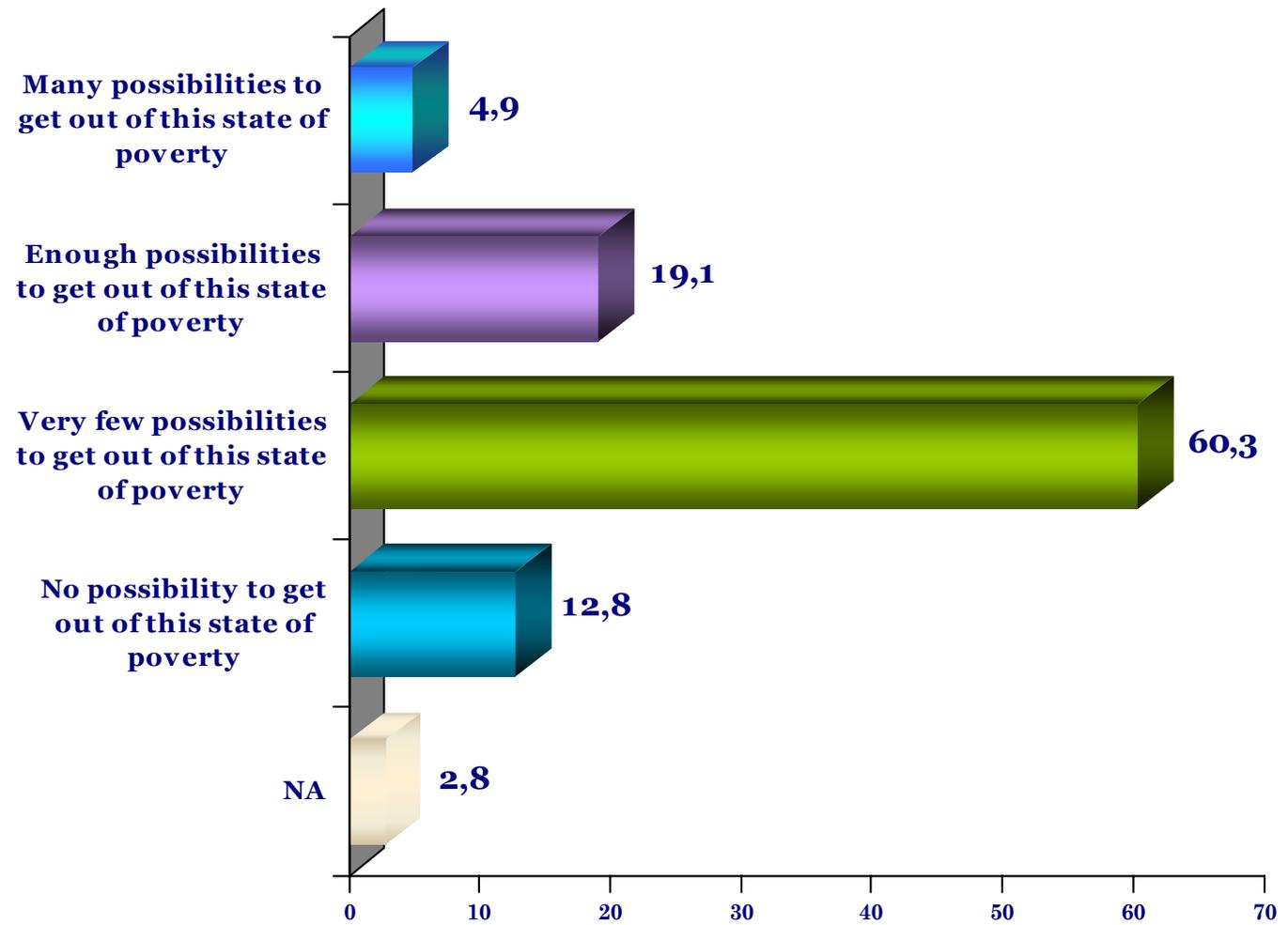


# Which of the following phrases you think reflects your views best?



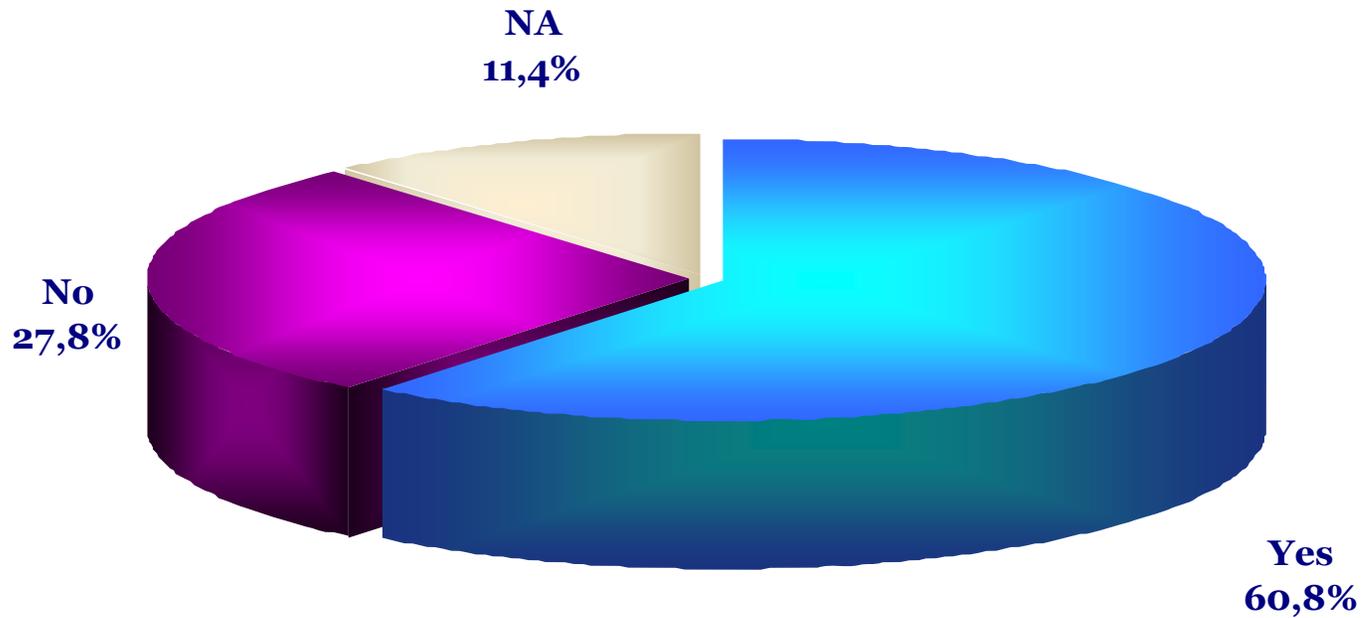


# From your point of view, poor people that live in our country have:



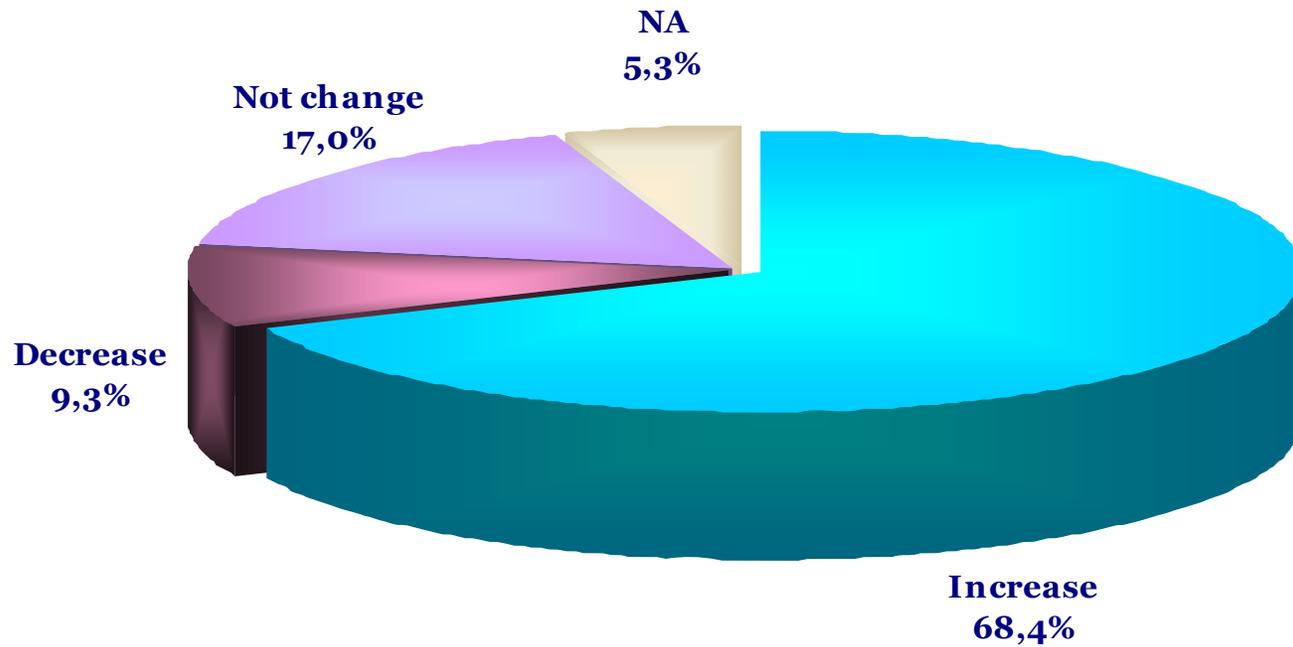


## Do you think that there are people that cannot recover from poverty even if they receive help?





**In the future, the gap between rich and poor will:**





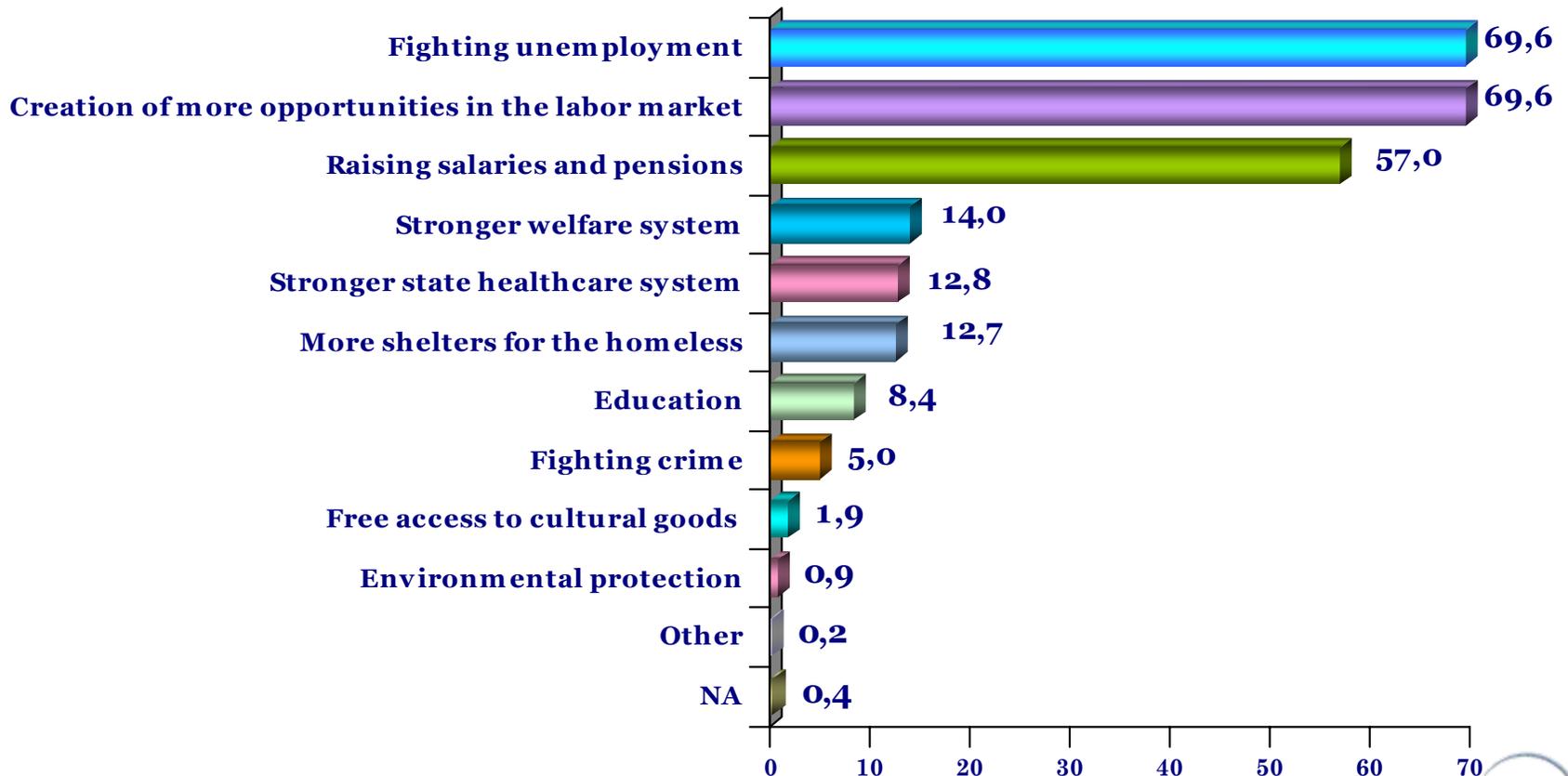
*Chapter D*

ACTIONS AGAINST POVERTY



## If we had to set our priorities in policies against poverty, which of the following should be our first priority?

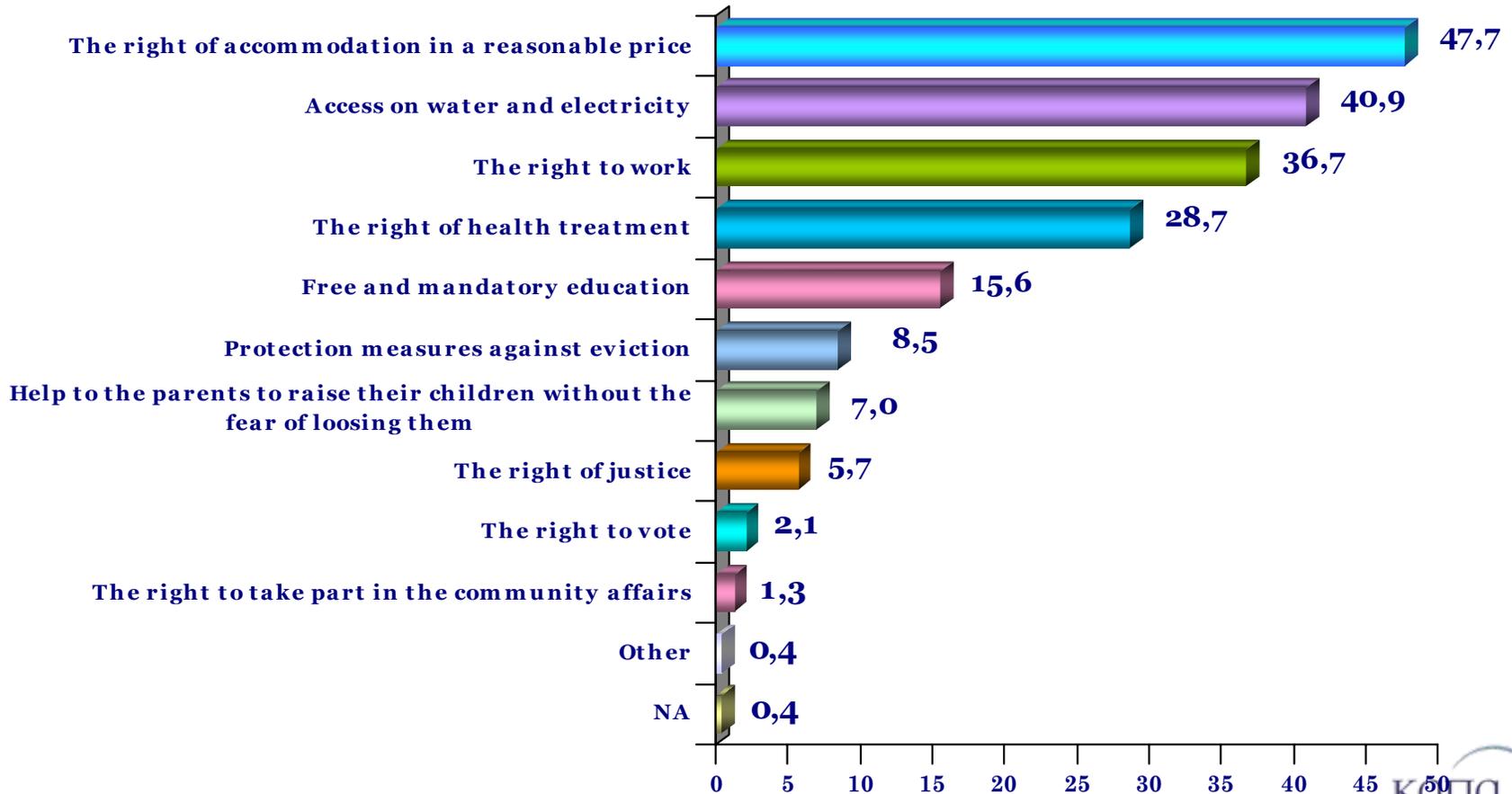
(up to 3 answers)





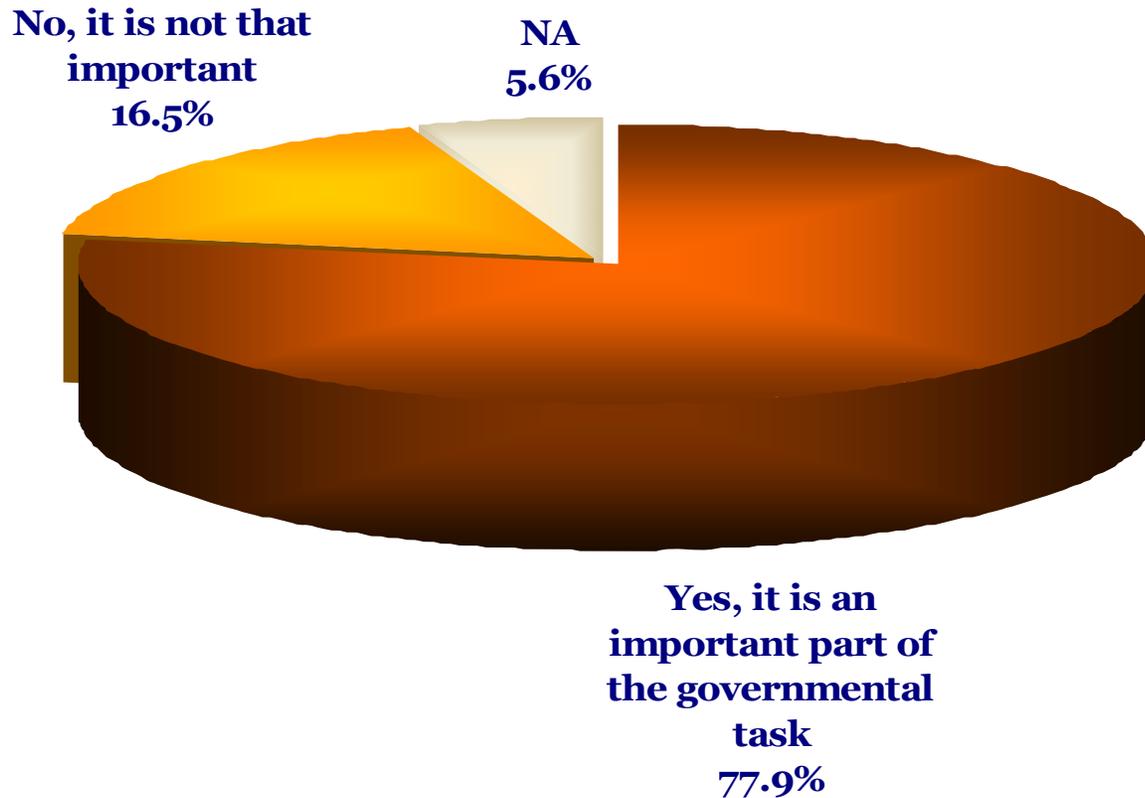
# What rights should a contemporary society guarantee to its citizens in order to protect them from poverty?

(up to 3 answers)



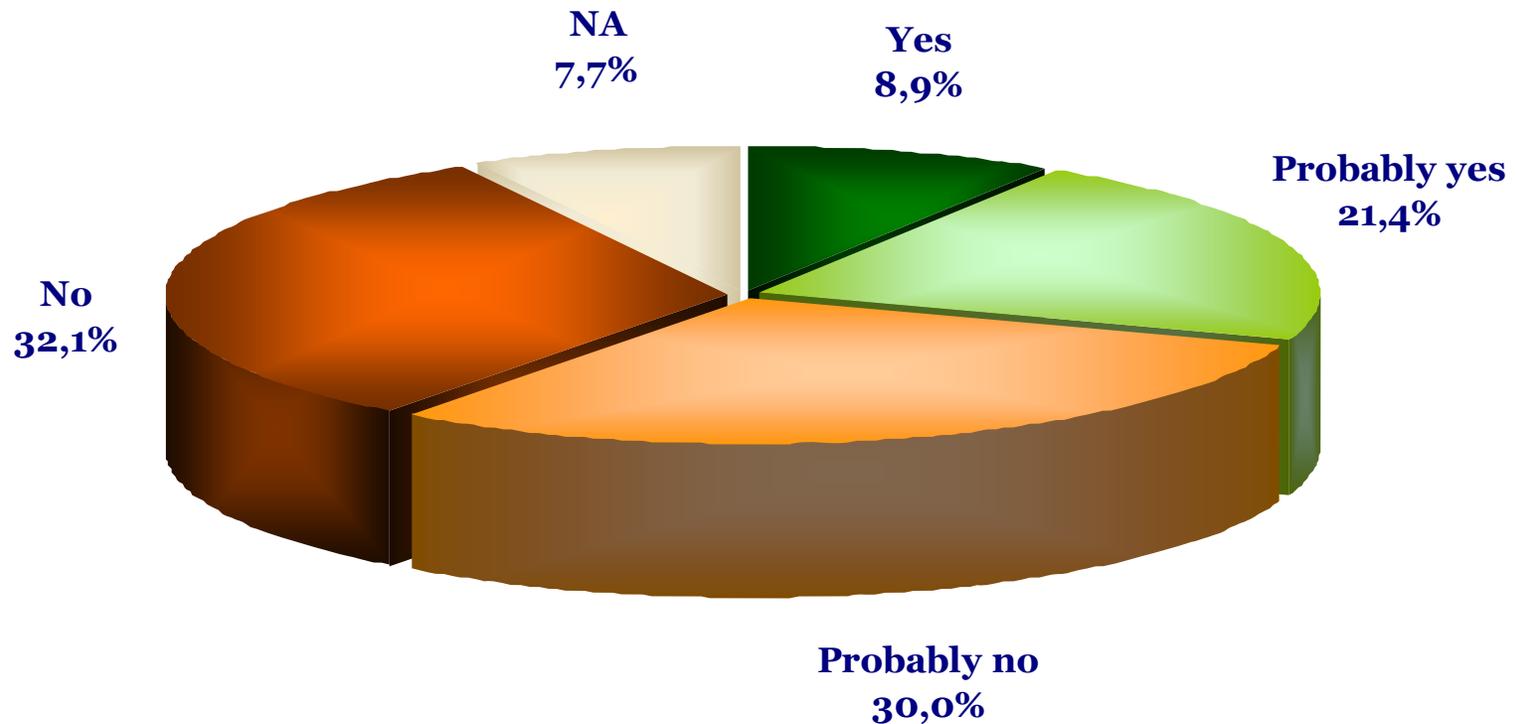


## Would you say that social policy is an important part of the governmental task?



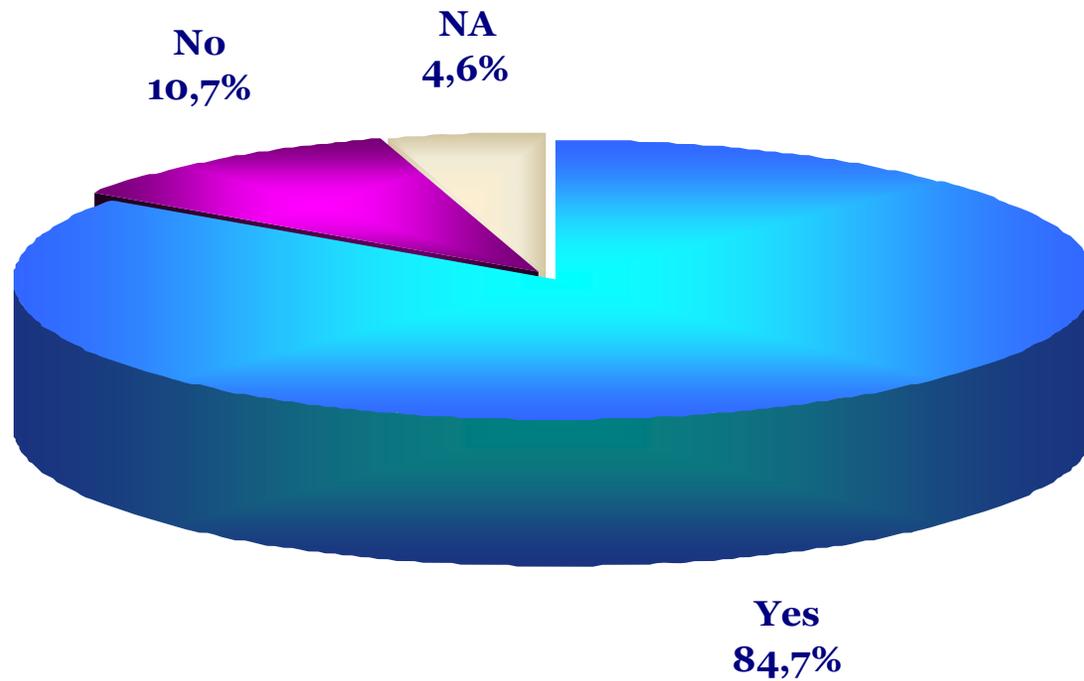


**There is a view by which a benefit enforce the passivity of the receivers, meaning that it averts them from doing something to improve their condition. Do you agree with this view?**



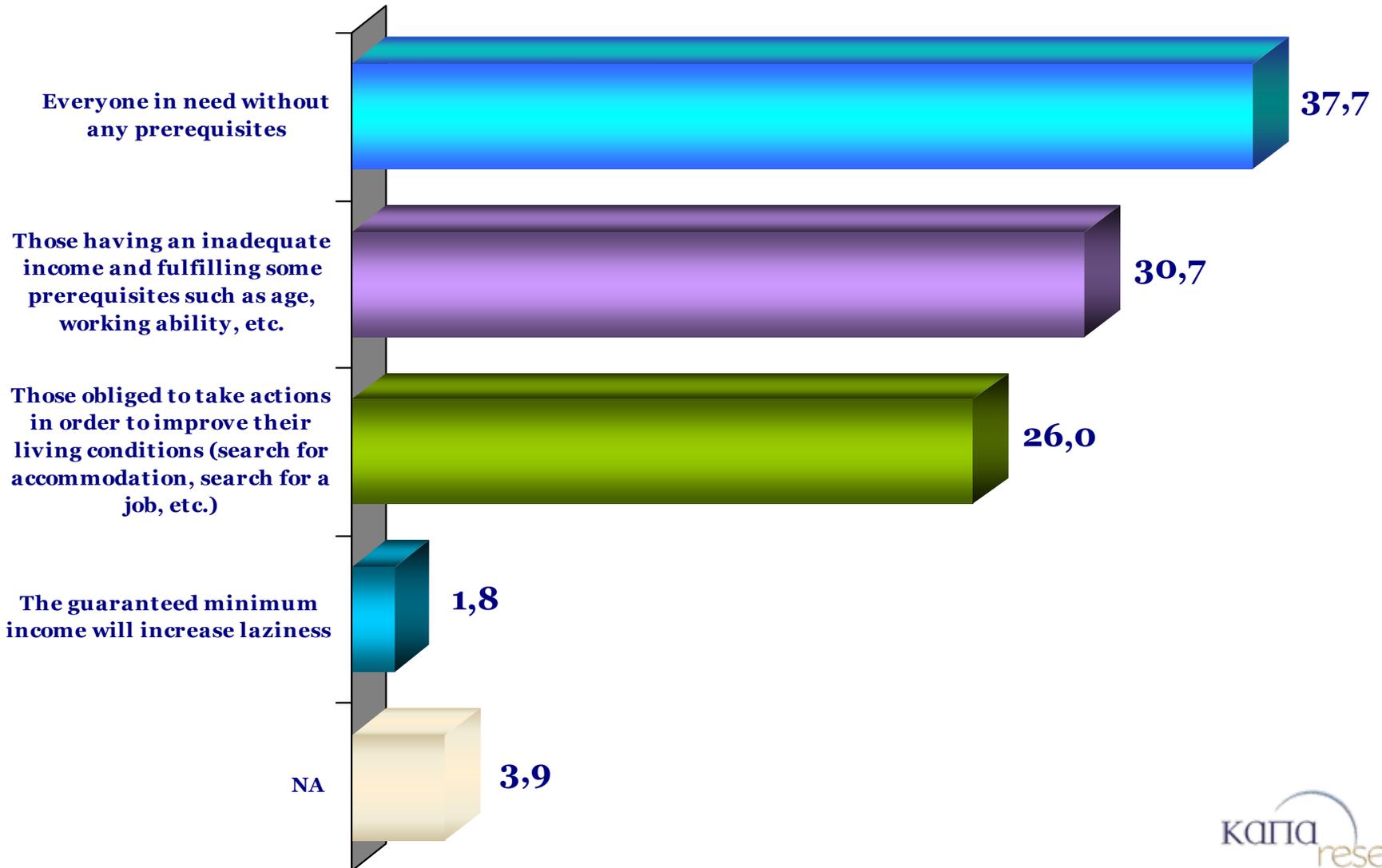


## Do you believe that our country should establish a guaranteed minimum income?





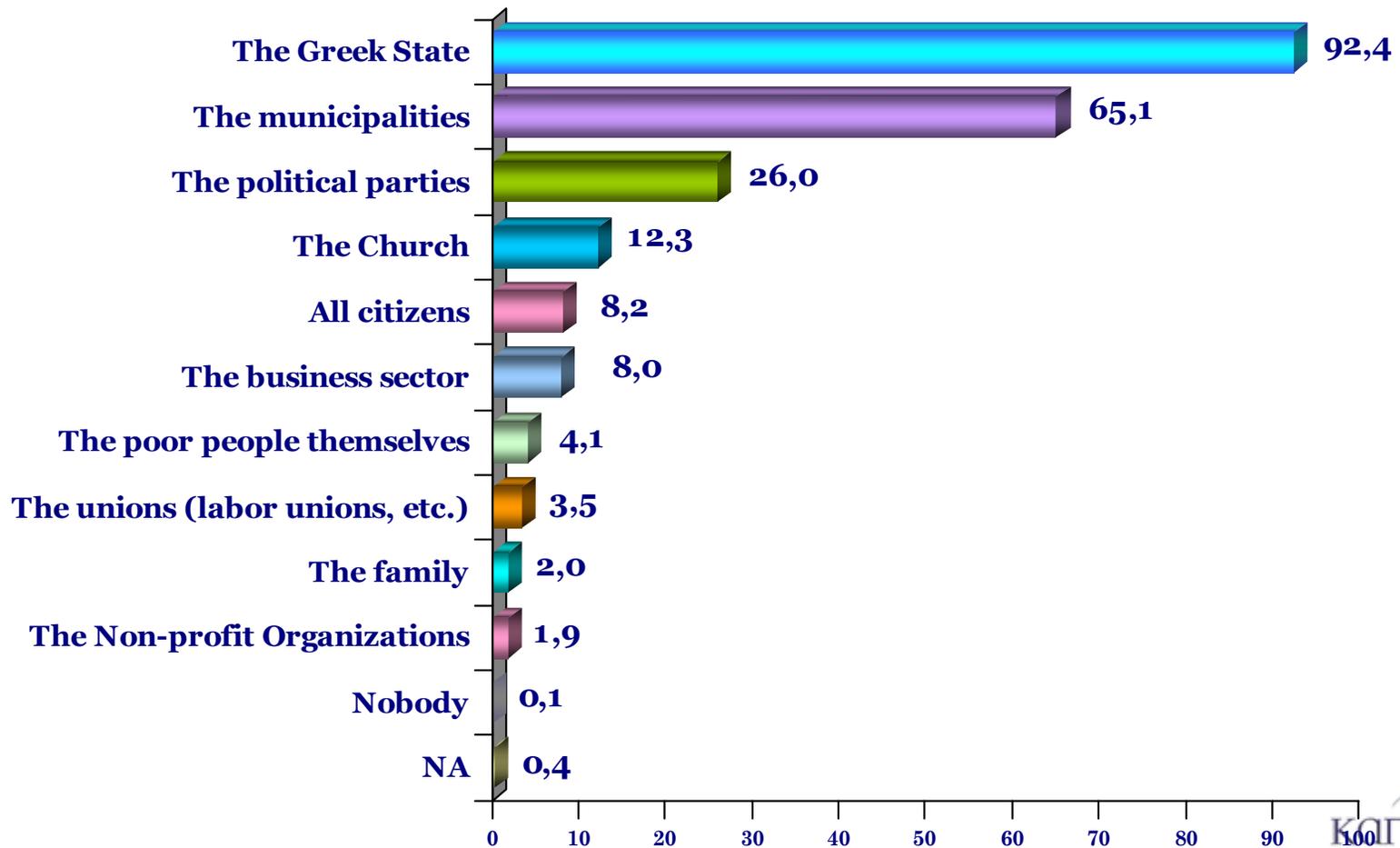
## The guaranteed minimum income should be directed to:





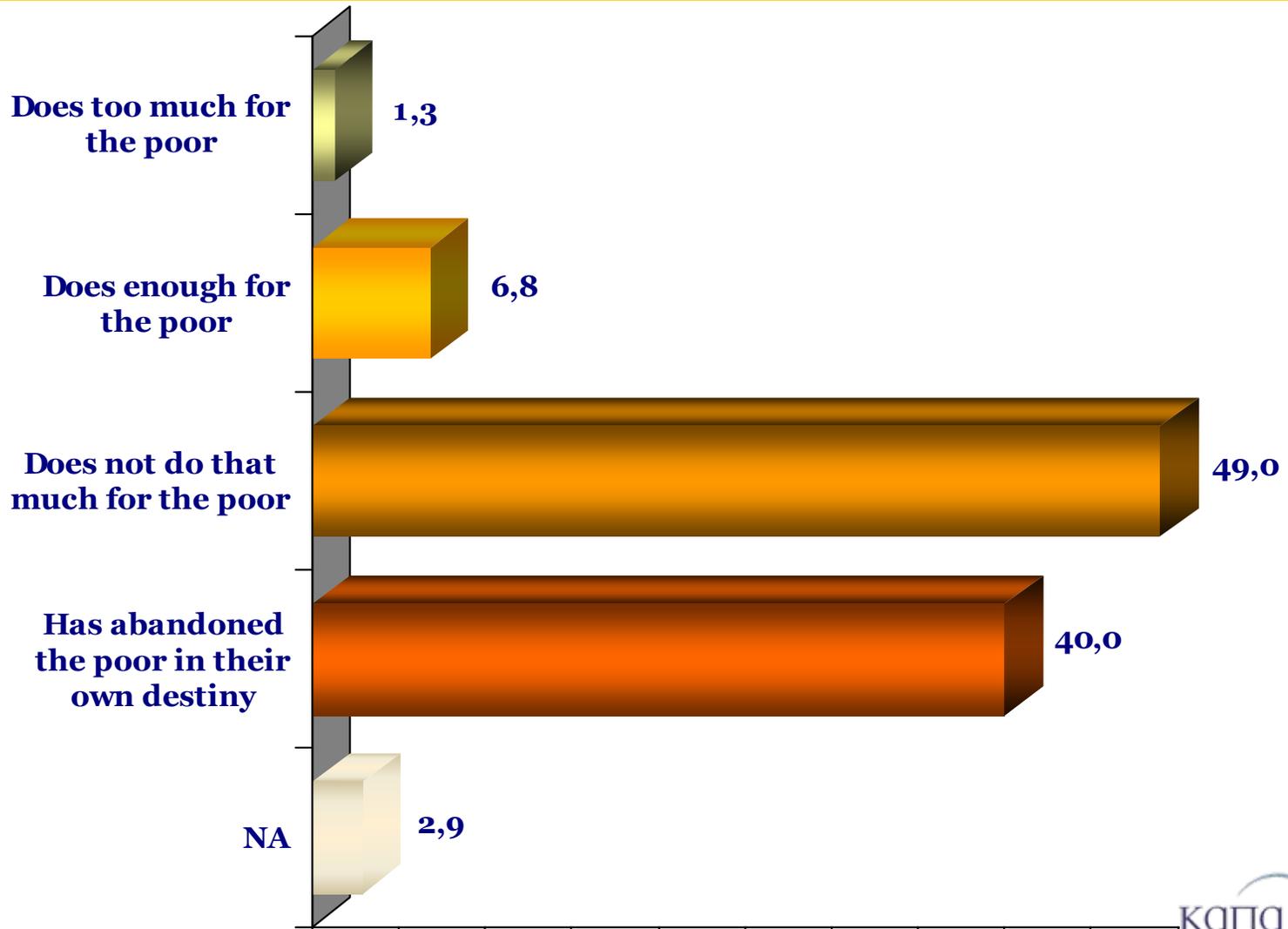
## In your opinion, who should be responsible for taking actions against poverty?

(up to 3 answers)



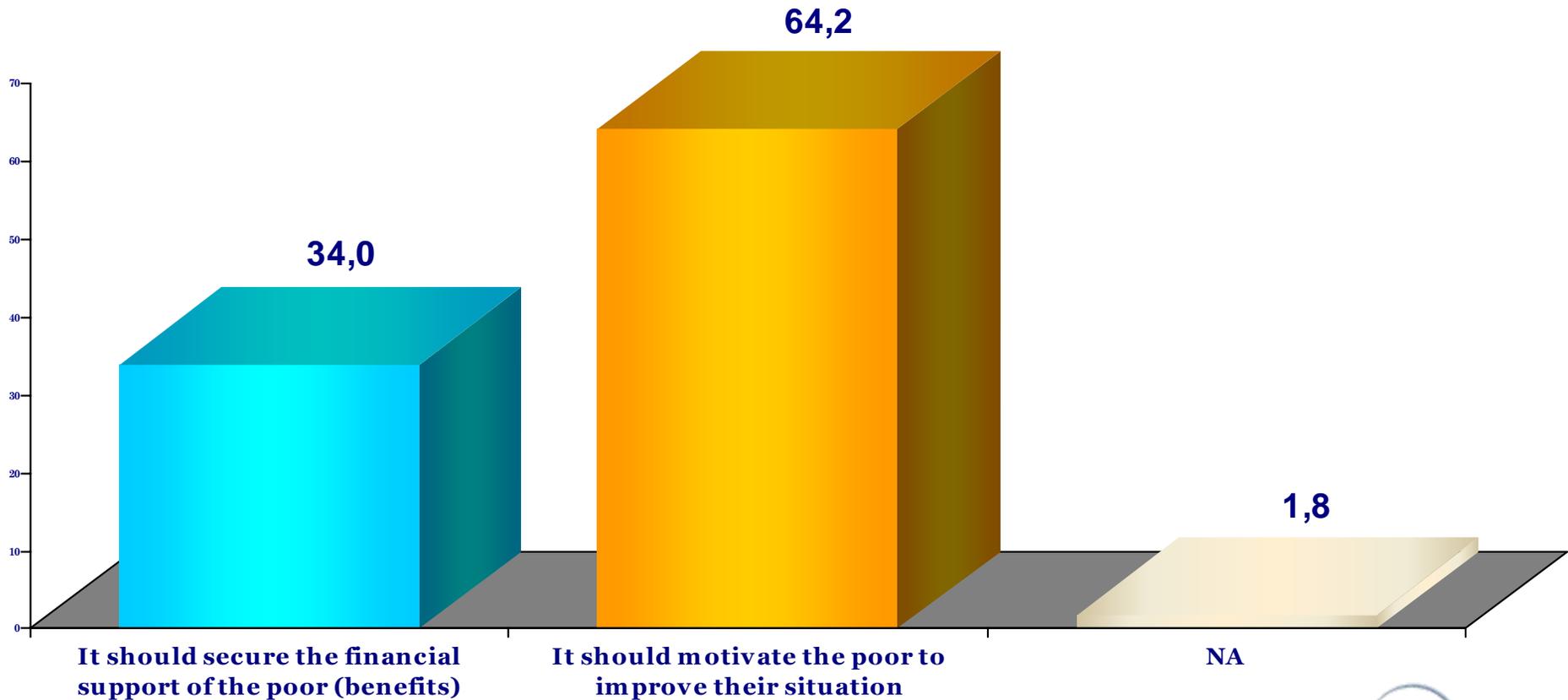


## The Greek State:



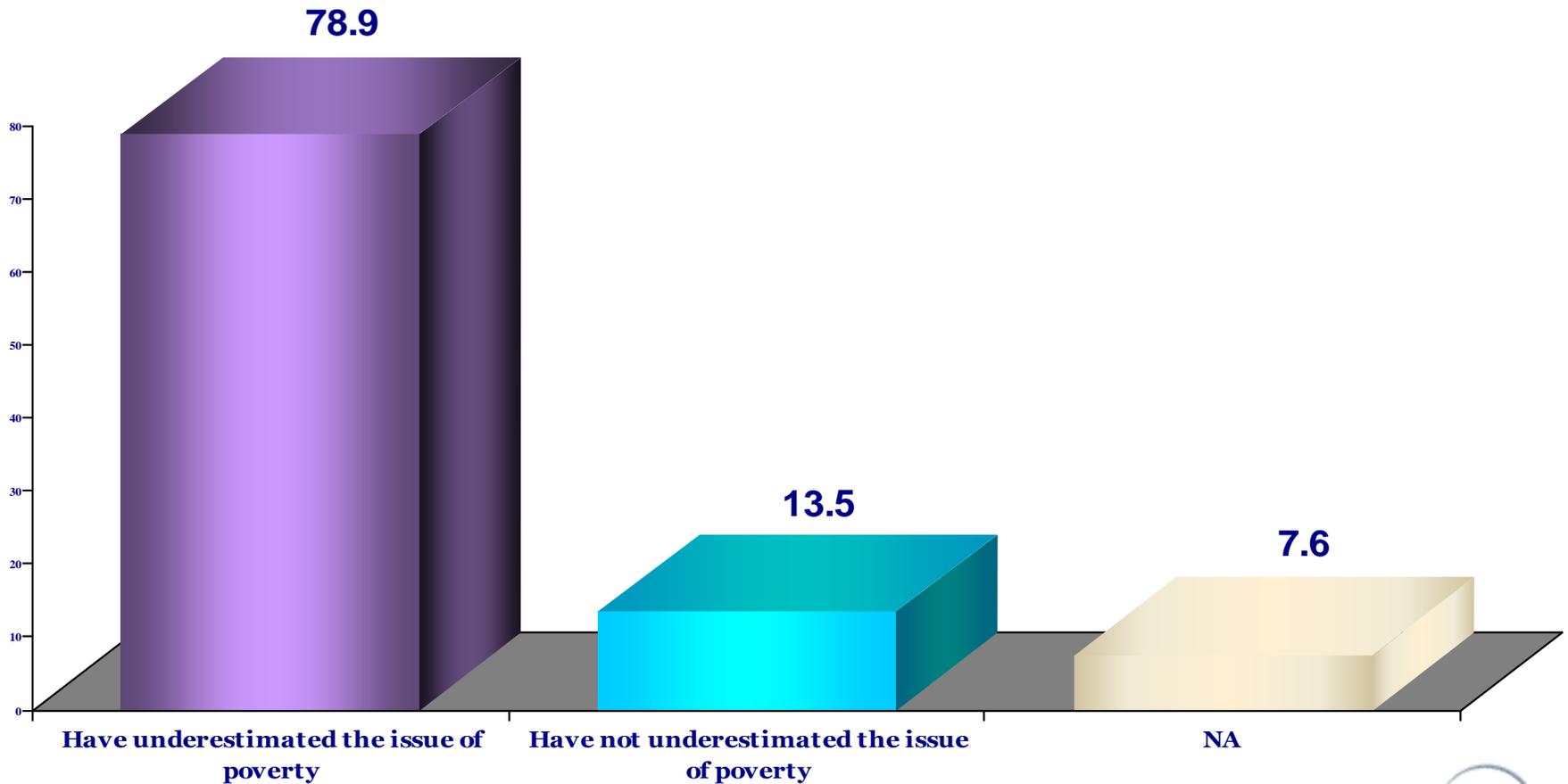


## What should be the Greek State's role?



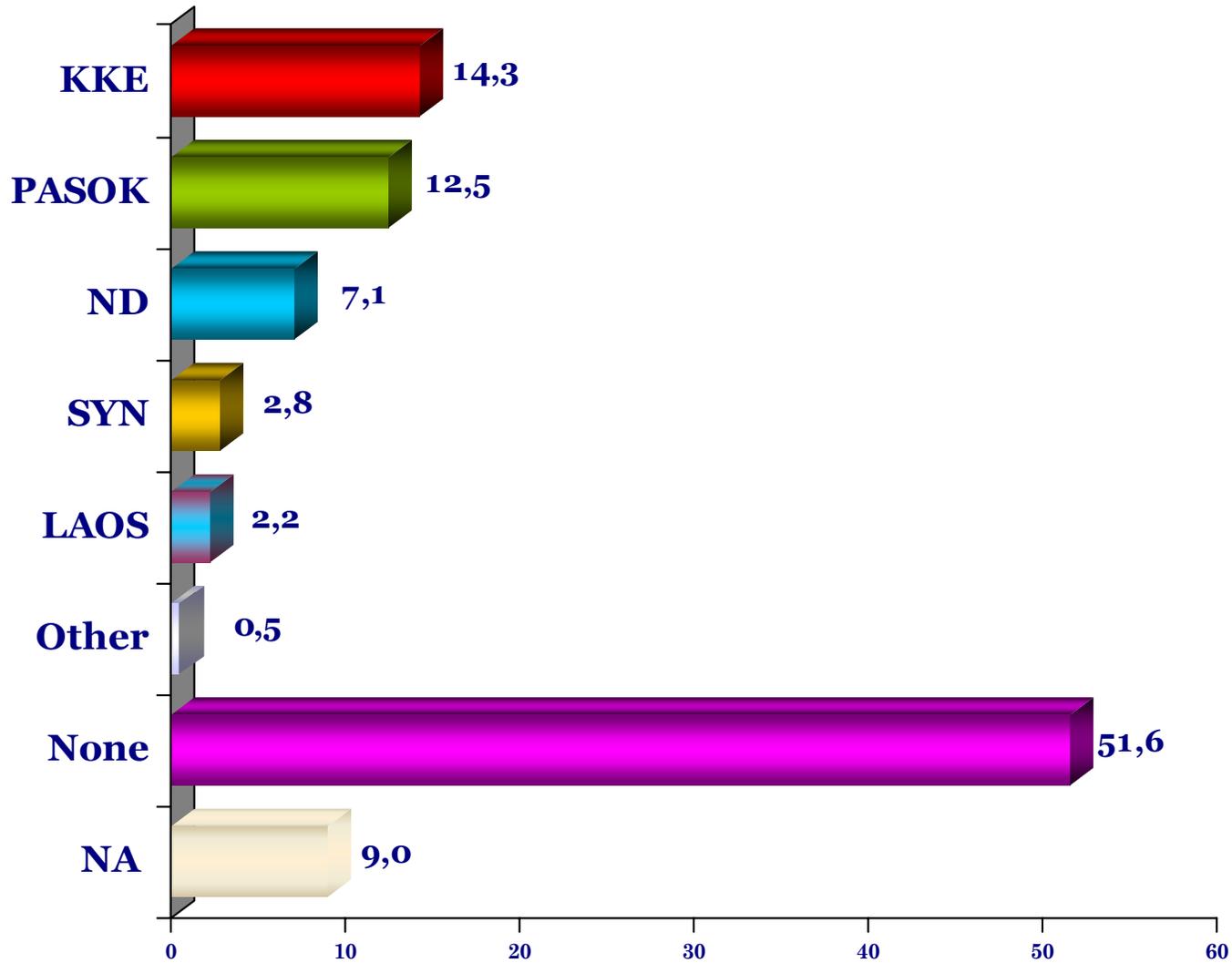


## The political parties today:



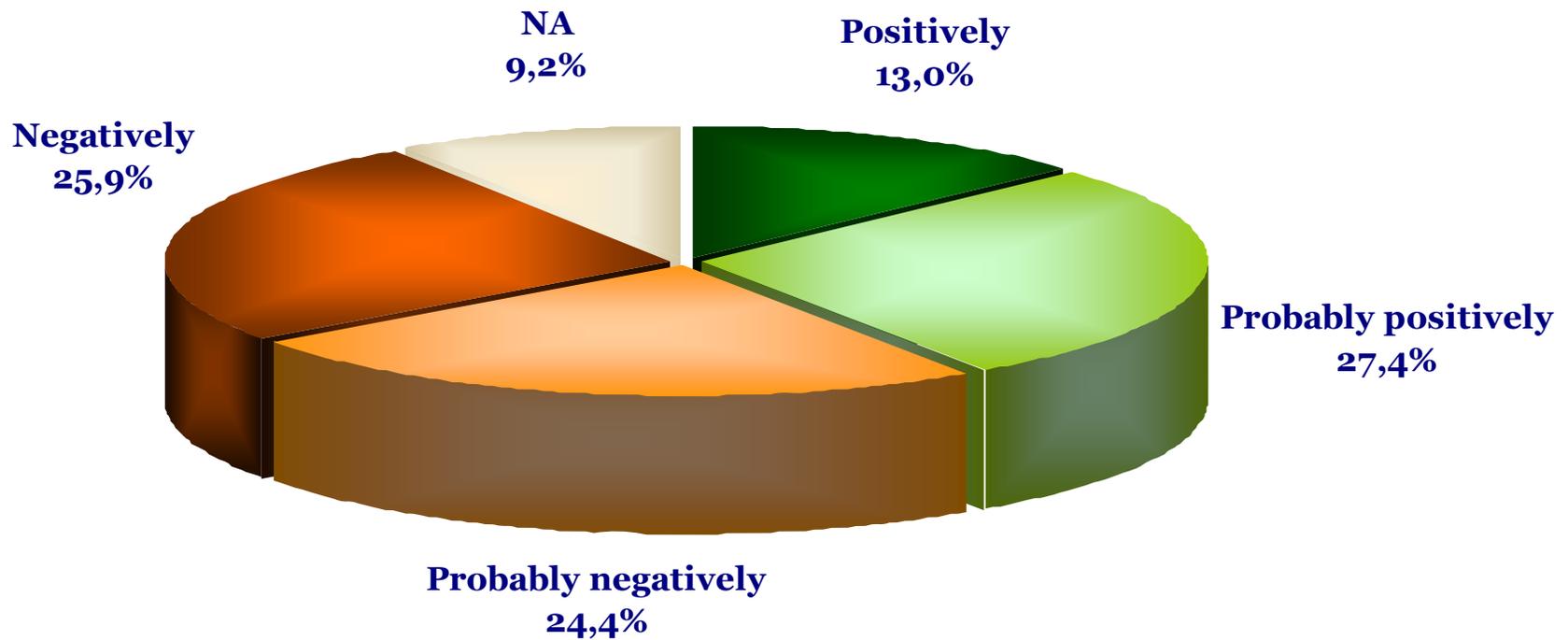


## Which political party is closer to the poor?



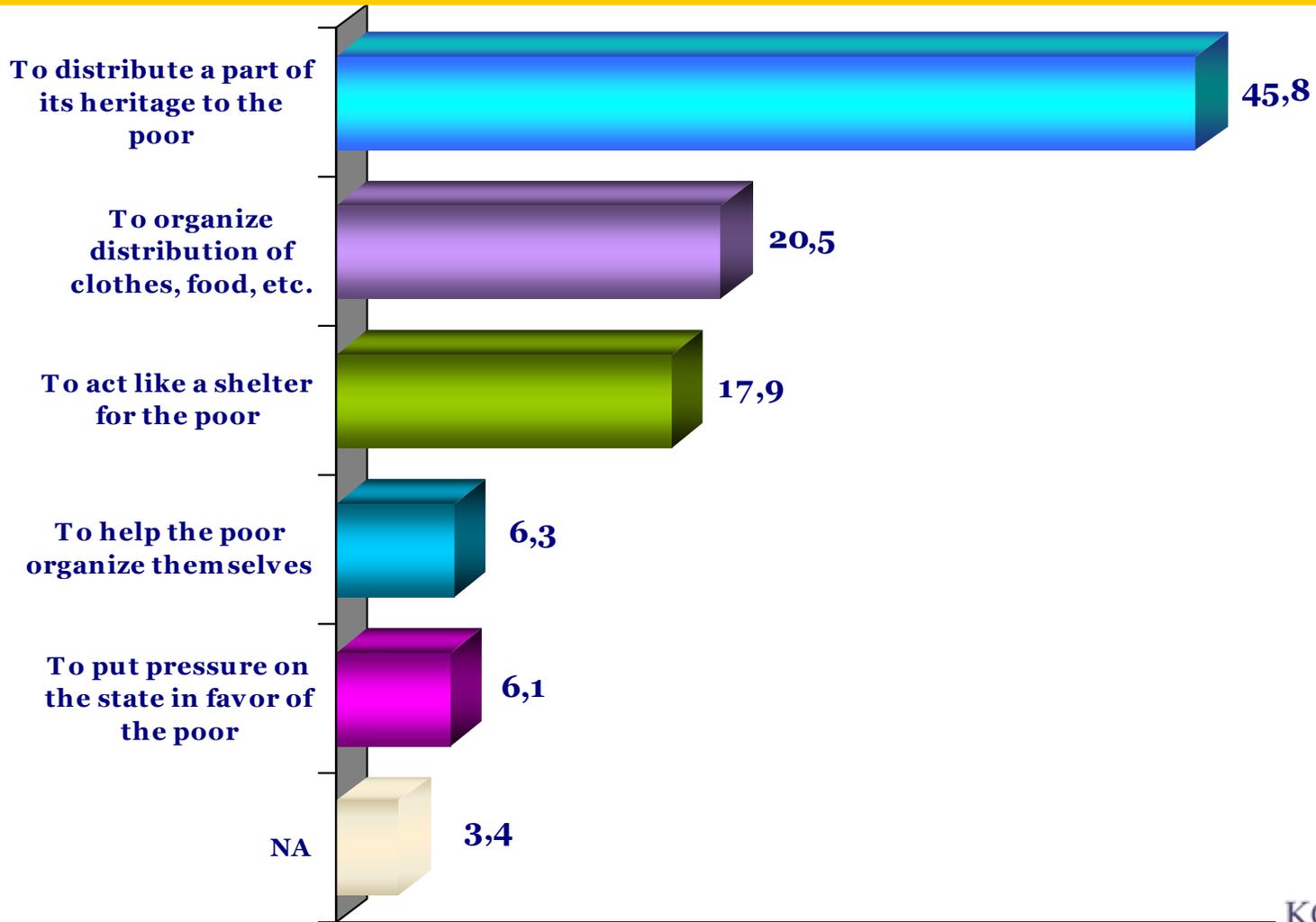


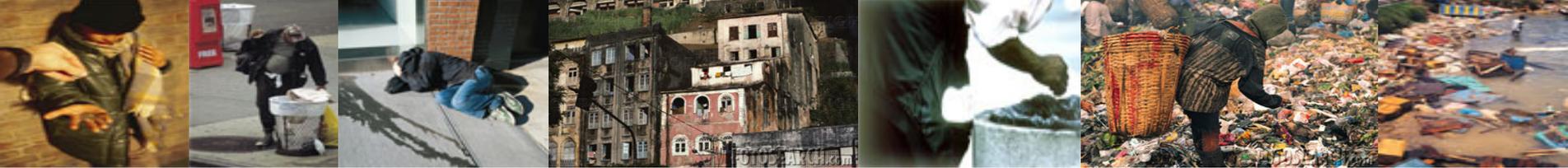
## How would you judge the Church's job against poverty?



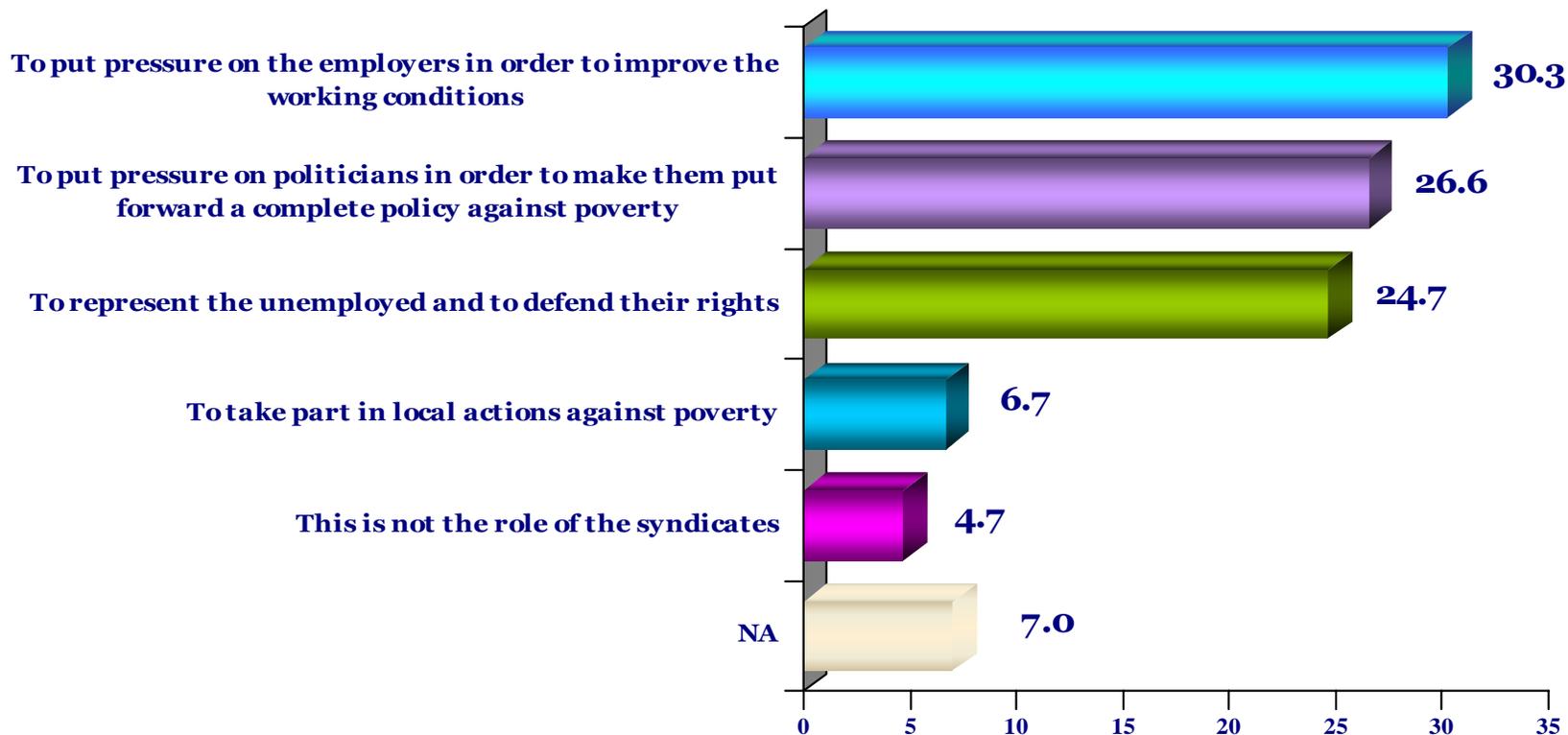


## In your opinion, what should be the role of the Church on the issue of poverty?



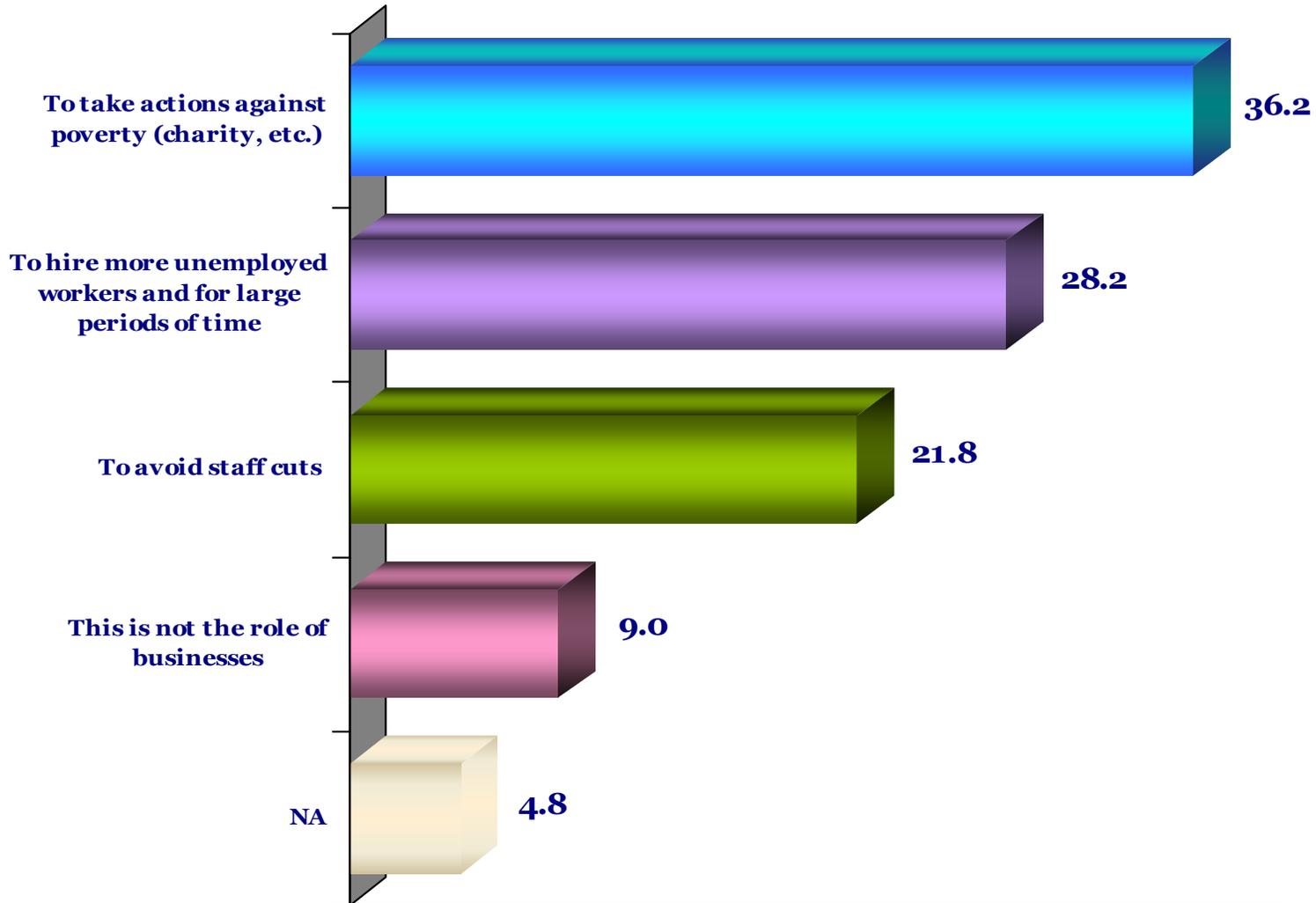


## What in your opinion should be the role of syndicates in the fight against poverty in Greece?



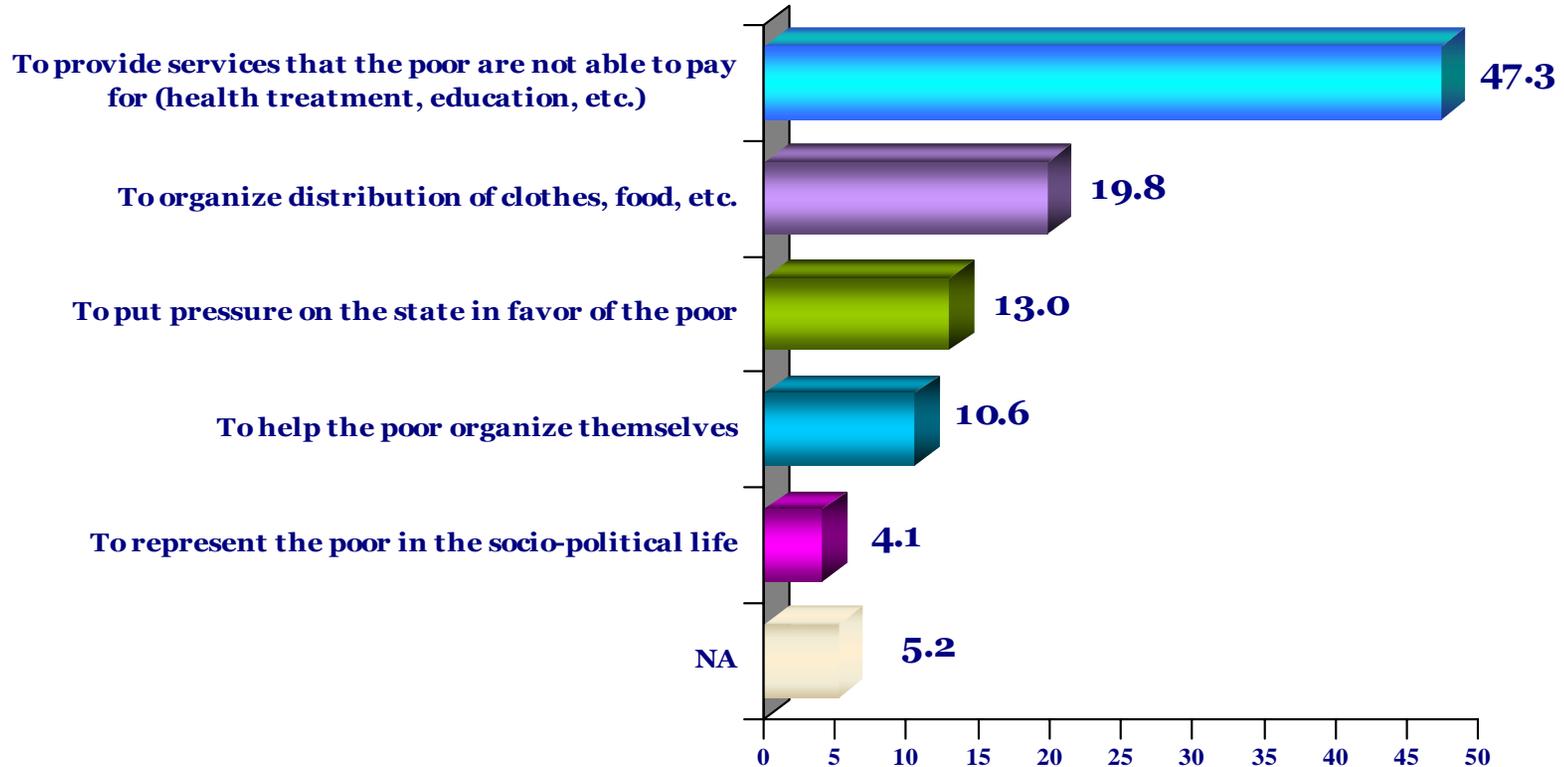


## And what should be the role of the business sector in the fight against poverty?



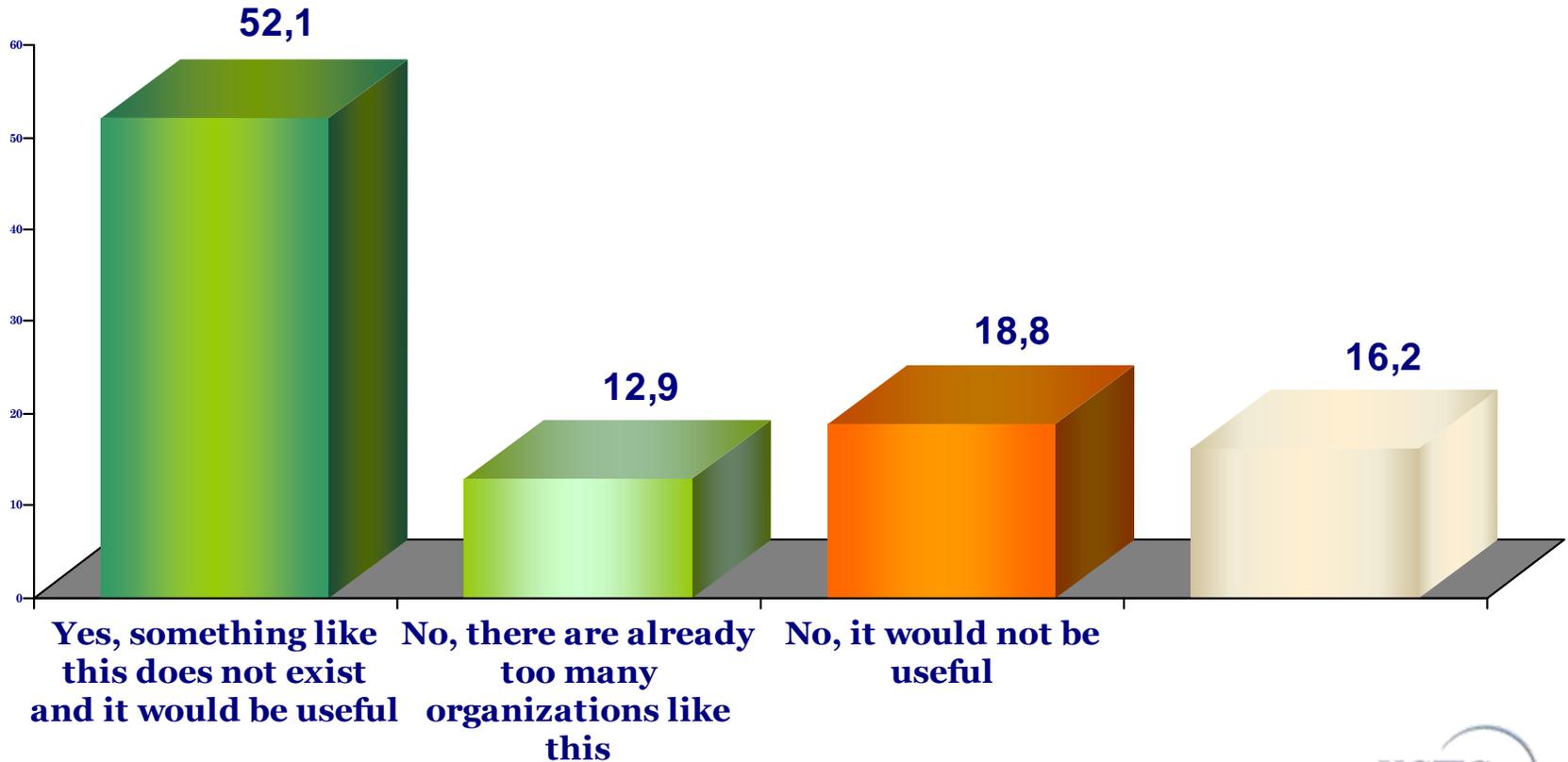


## What should be the role of the non-profit organizations relevant to the issue of poverty?



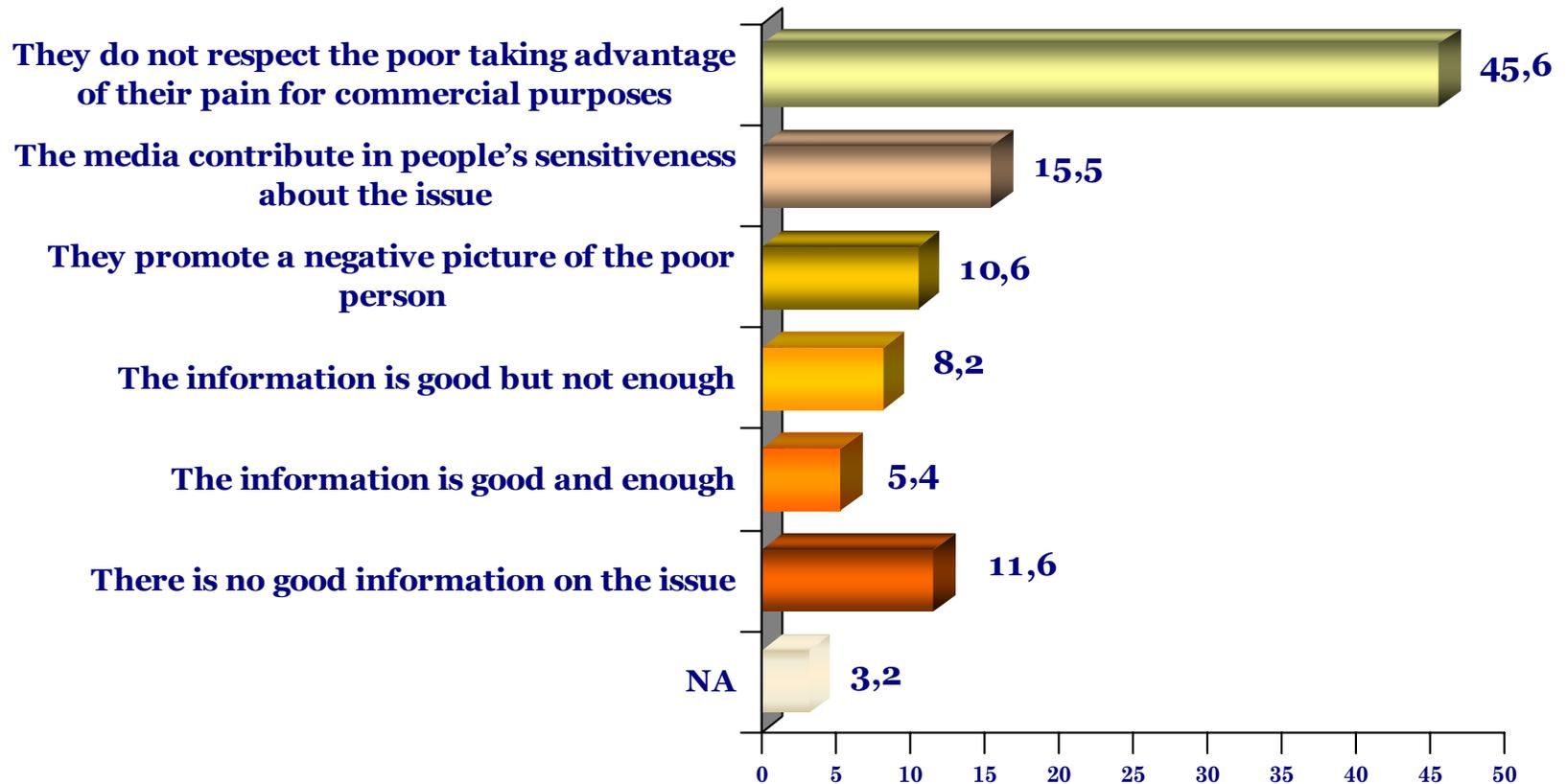


## Should the people in a state of poverty create organizations/unions to defend their rights?



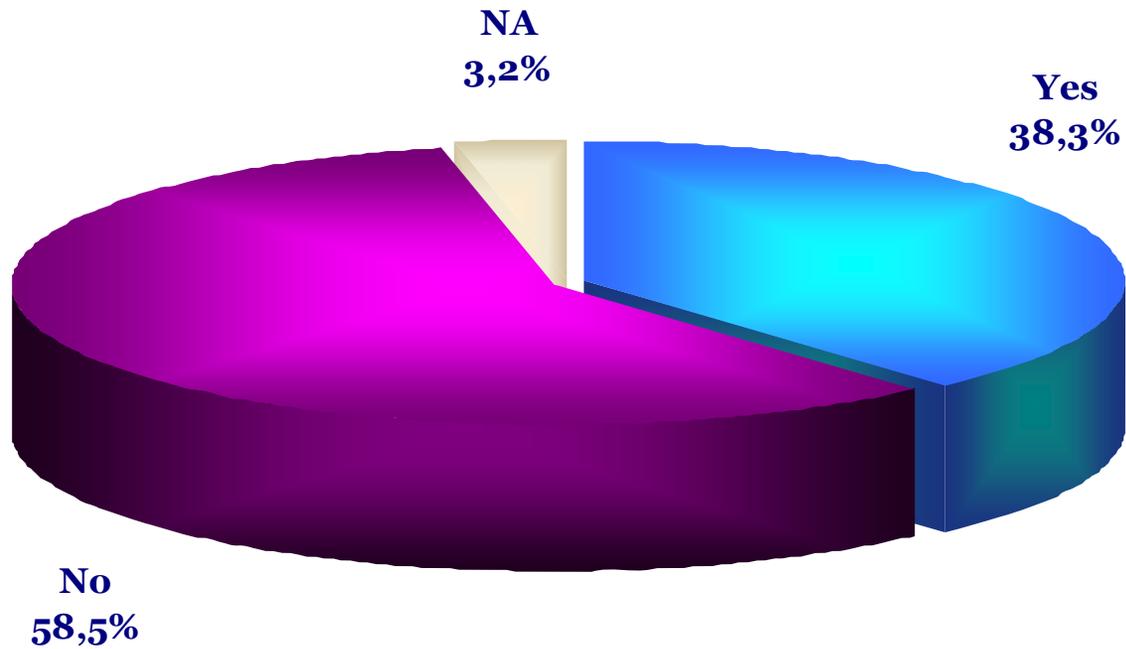


## How would you comment the way the media cover the issue of poverty?





## During the last month, did you get to help someone poor?

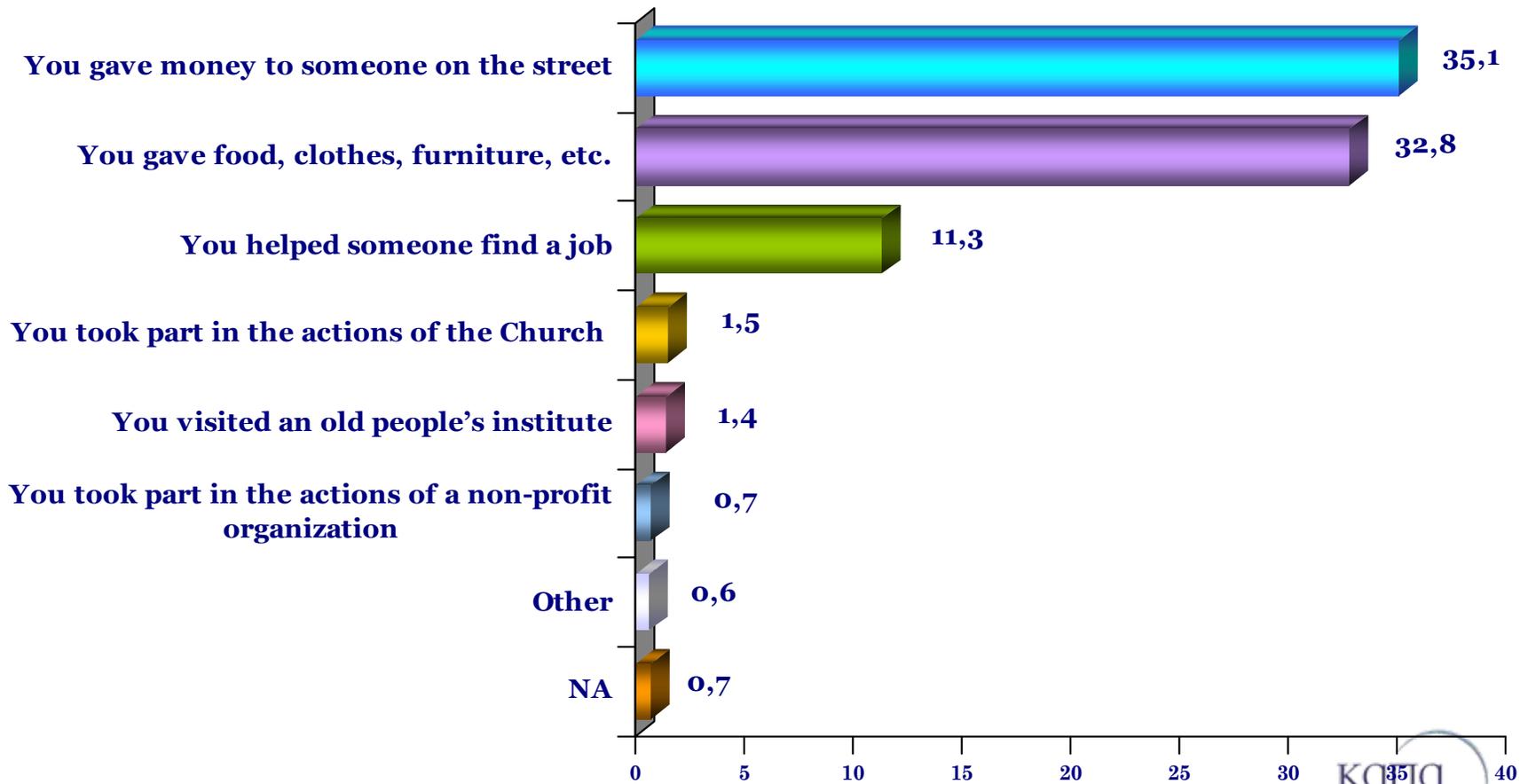




## In what way did you help him/her/them?

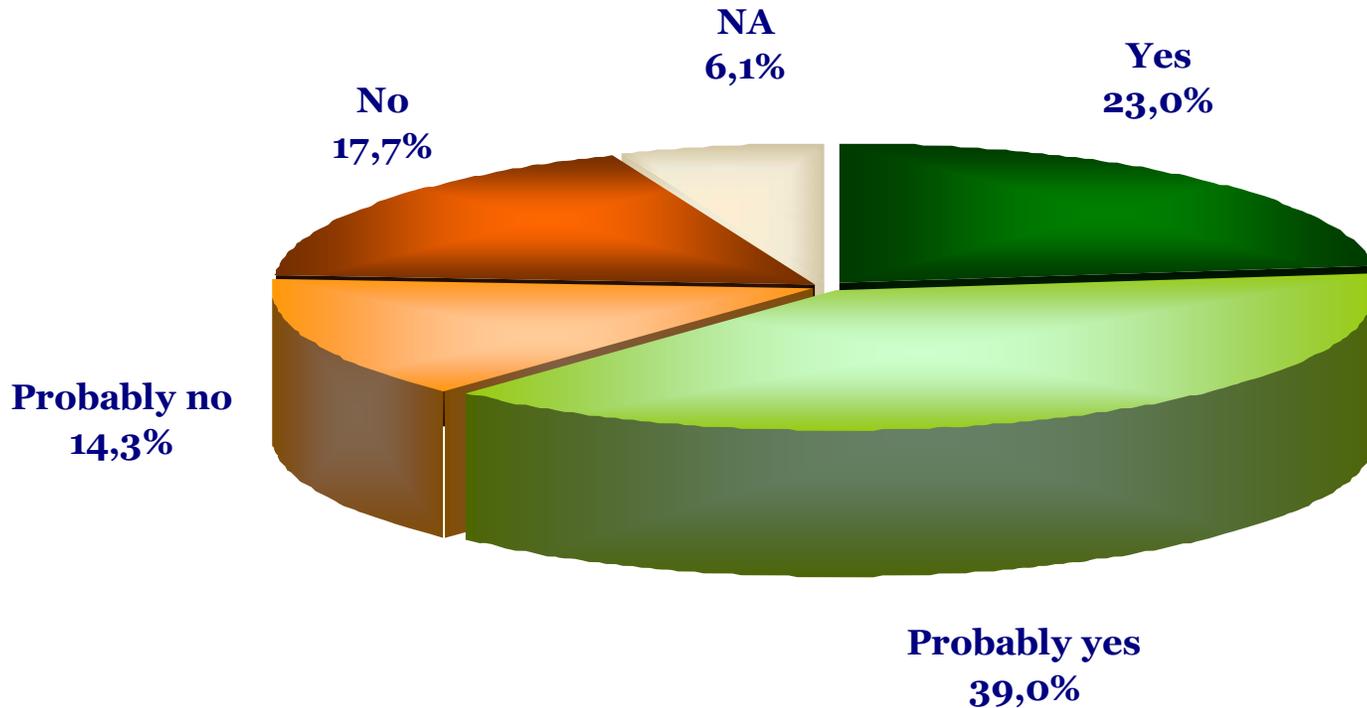
Those who during the last month got to help someone poor

(up to 3 answers)



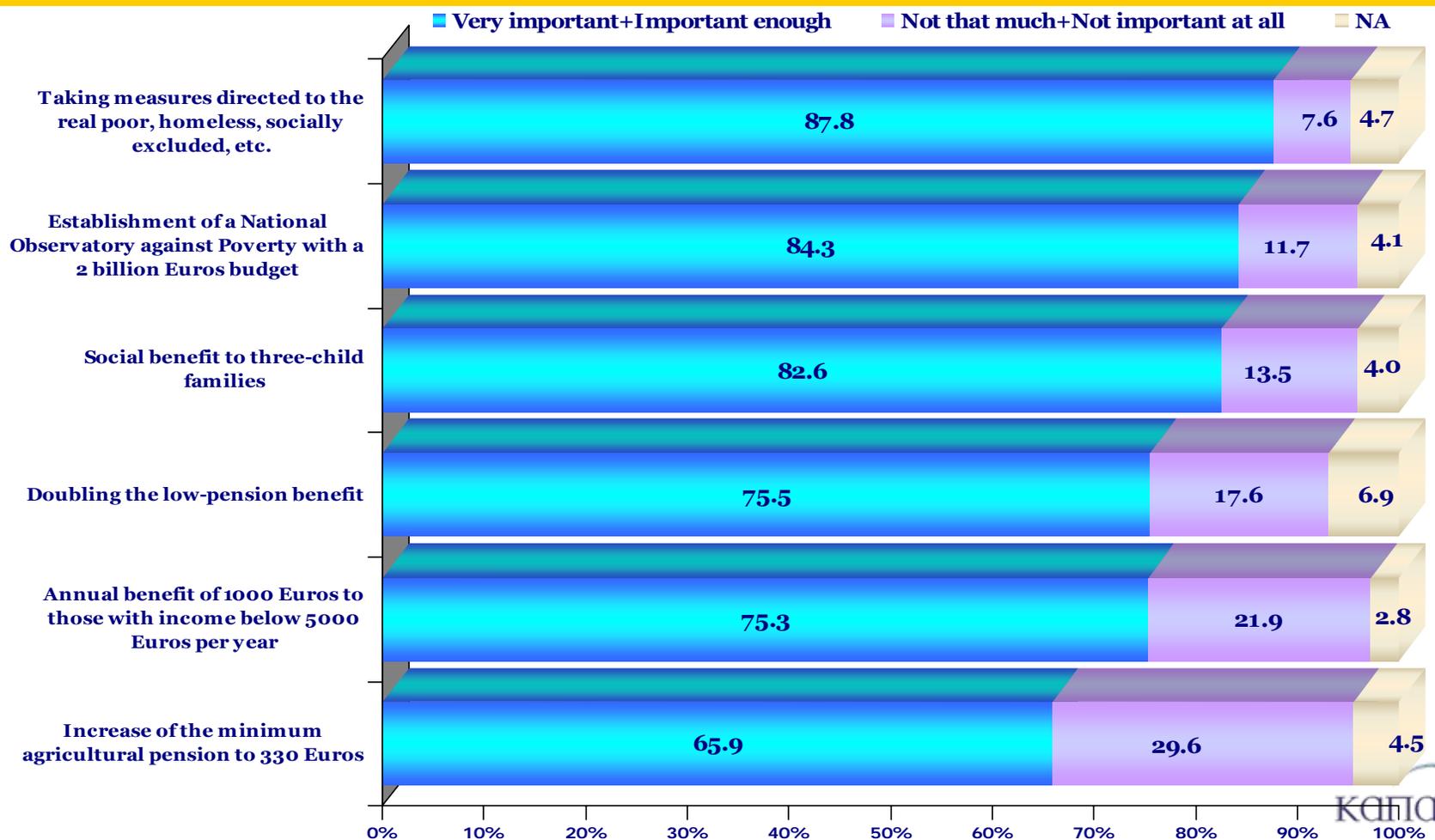


## Would you agree to spend some of your time voluntarily helping the needed?



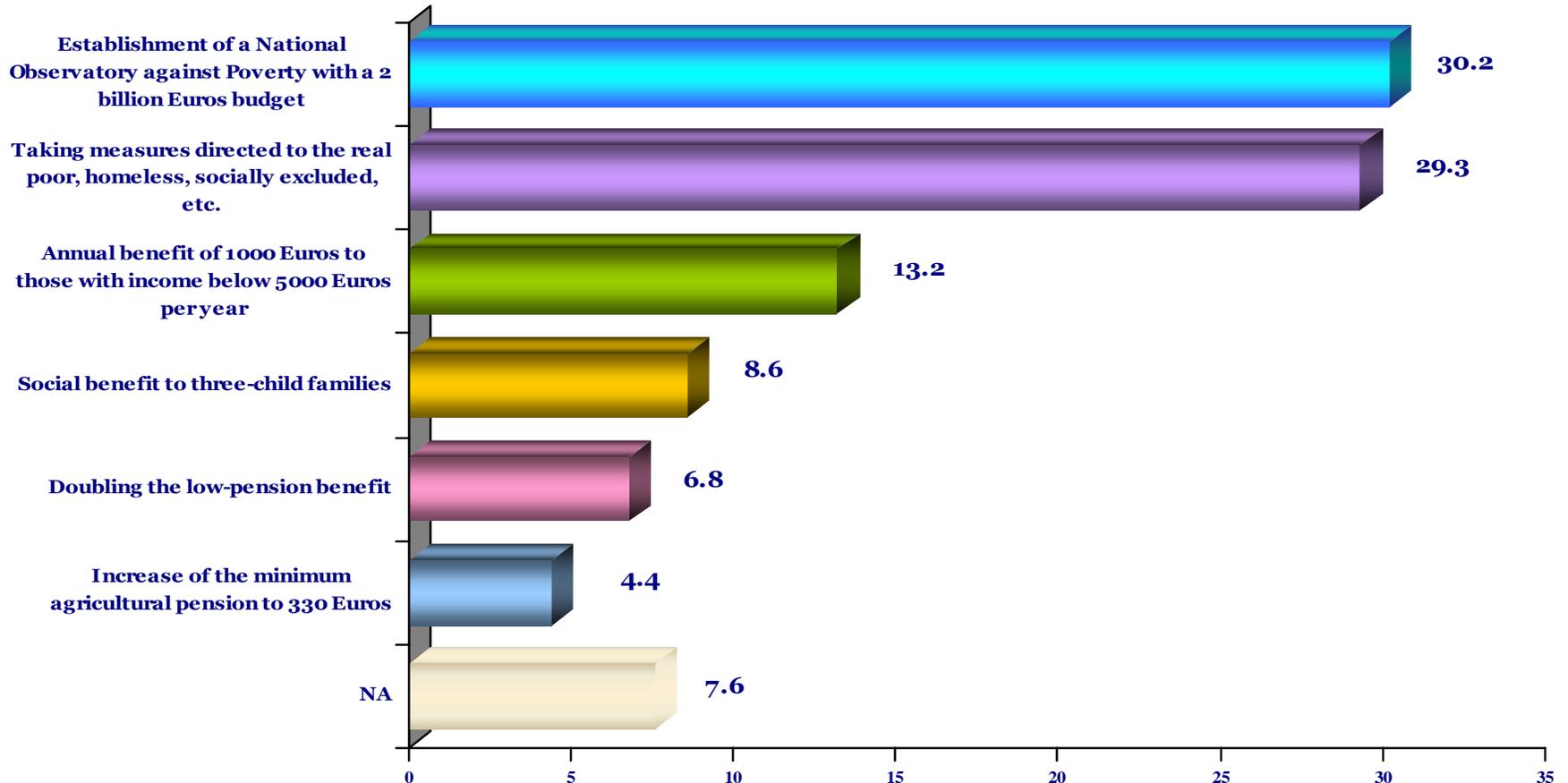


**A few days ago the Ministry of Economy and Finance announced new measures against poverty. I will mention these measures to you and I would like you to comment on the importance of each one in the fight against poverty:**





## From your point of view, which measure is the most important in the fight against poverty?





***Prime Minister Karamanlis, announced that together with decreasing the public deficit, his government will carry out a new policy against poverty (the measures were mentioned previously).***

**In what degree do you personally trust the Prime Minister in carrying out this announcement?**

