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The Afghan-Pakistan War: A Status Report: 2009 A Brief Summary

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Terrorist Incidents in Iraq and Afghanistan: 2005-2008:

*Incidents of Terrorism in Iraq and Afghanistan**

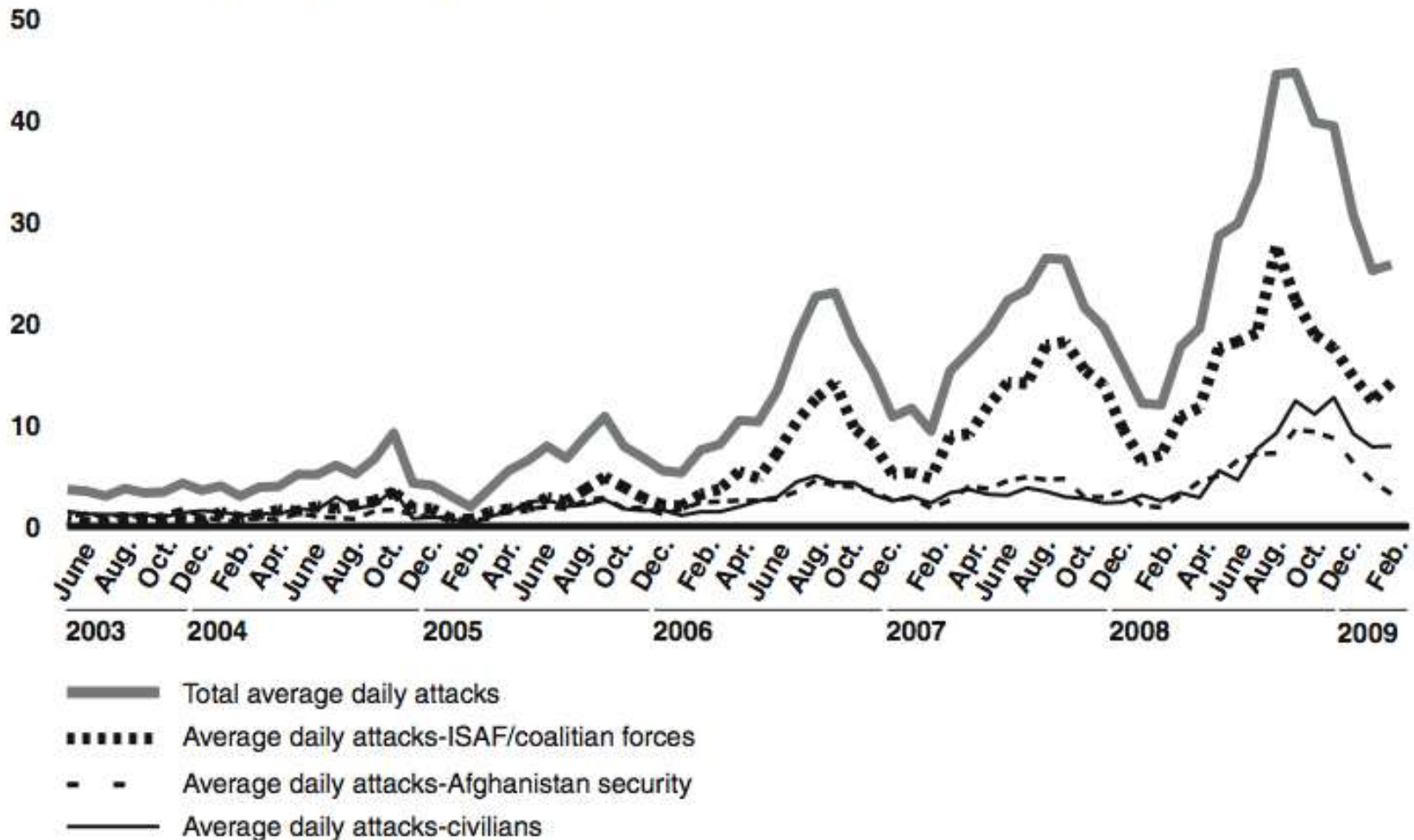
	2005	2006	2007	2008
Terrorist attacks in Iraq	3,467	6,631	6,210	3,258
Attacks resulting in at least 1 death, injury, or kidnapping	2,837	6,028	5,573	2,902
People killed, injured, or kidnapped as a result of terrorism	20,722	38,878	44,012	19,083

Terrorist attacks in Afghanistan	494	968	1,125	1,220
Attacks resulting in at least 1 death, injury, or kidnapping	369	694	890	948
People killed, injured, or kidnapped as a result of terrorism	1,551	3,556	4,662	5,423

Office of the Coordinator for
Counterterrorism, *Country Reports on
Terrorism 2008 April 2009*, United States
Department of State, Released April 2009, p.
348 .

Enemy Initiated Attacks in Afghanistan May 2003 to March 2009

Number of average daily attacks per month



Source: GAO analysis of Department of Defense data.

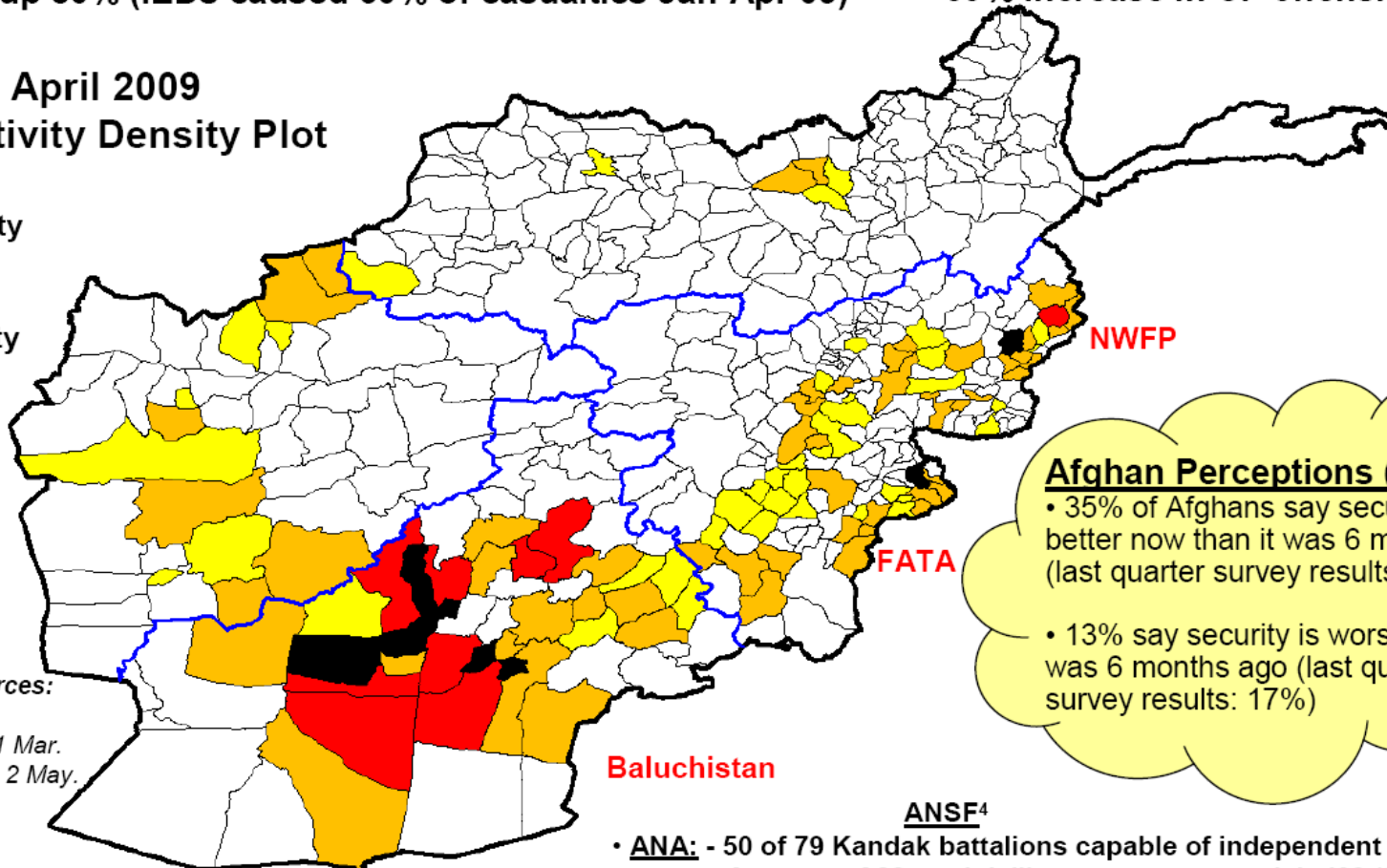
Security Summary (April 2009)

- 64% increase in Insurgent Initiated Attacks¹
- 80% of attacks occurred in 13% of the districts (Jan-Apr 09)¹
- IED events up 80% (IEDs caused 60% of casualties Jan-Apr 09)¹

- 28% increase in CF force strength⁵
- 38% increase in ANA force strength⁴
- 59% increase in CF offensive events¹

January to April 2009 Kinetic Activity Density Plot By District

- More Activity
- Less Activity



Afghan Perceptions (Mar 09)²

- 35% of Afghans say security is better now than it was 6 months ago (last quarter survey results: 28%)
- 13% say security is worse than it was 6 months ago (last quarter survey results: 17%)

Footnotes on Sources:

- ¹JOIS, 4 May.
- ²ANQAR Survey, 31 Mar.
- ³CJOC CivCas cell, 2 May.
- ⁴CSTC-A, 4 May.
- ⁵CJ1, 3 May.

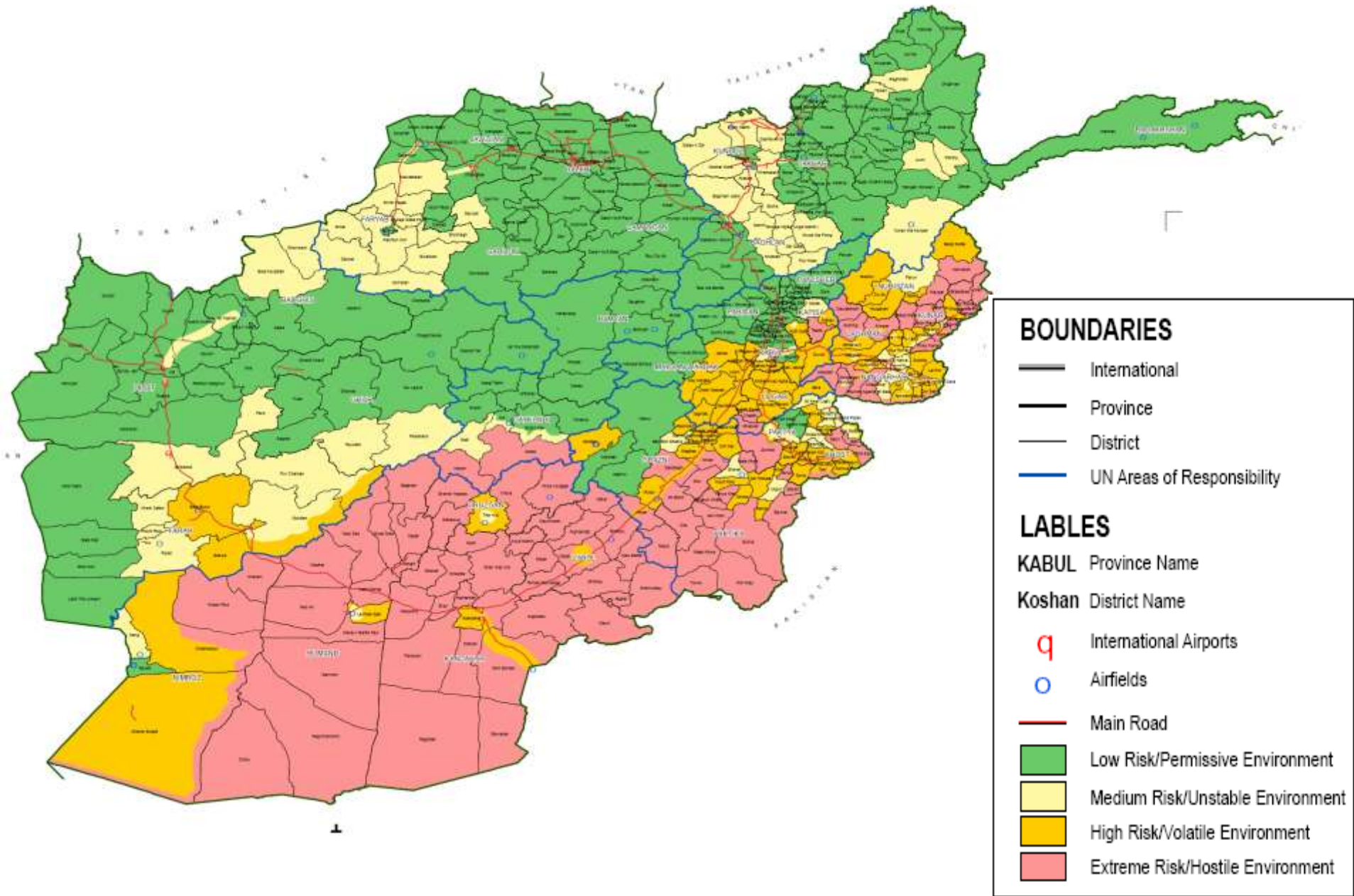
- Civilian Deaths: down 44%³
- ISAF/OEF Deaths: up 55%¹
- ANSF Deaths: up 25%¹
(Since Jan 07, ANPs suffered 1.8x more deaths than ANA+ISAF)
- Attacks on GIRoA officials & district centers: up 90%¹
- Kidnappings/Assassinations: down 17%¹

Baluchistan

ANSF⁴

- **ANA:** - 50 of 79 Kandak battalions capable of independent ops
- Average of 83 total deliberate ops per week in '09 (37 in '08)
- **ANP:** - Focused District Development: 52 districts completed training
- 14 of 20 Civil Order Police Battalions fielded
- **ABP:** - Focused Border Development: 2 cycles complete (20 companies)
- 3rd and 4th Cycles underway (14 companies programmed)

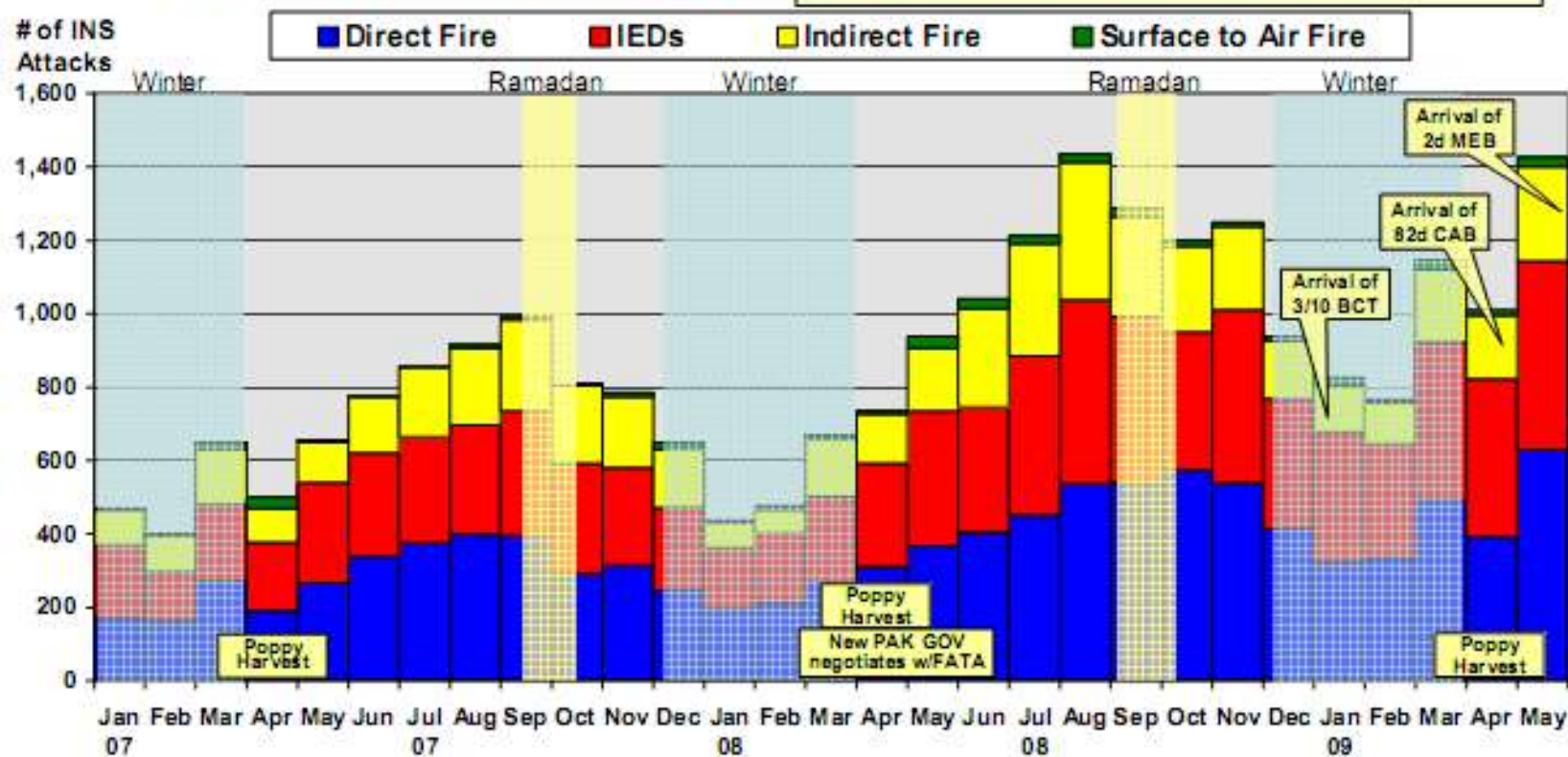
UN Accessibility Map 2008



Insurgent Attacks

- Insurgent initiated attacks were up 59% overall (Jan-May '09 v. Jan-May '08):
 - Direct Fire attacks were up 61%
 - Indirect Fire attacks were up 46%
 - IEDs were up 64%
 - Surface to Air Fire was up 48%
 - Coalition Force offensive actions were up 34%

- Kinetic events increased substantially this year relative to the same period last year
 - Deliberate increase in operational tempo by ANSF and ISAF
 - Milder winter
 - Continued freedom of action for insurgents from sanctuaries across the border

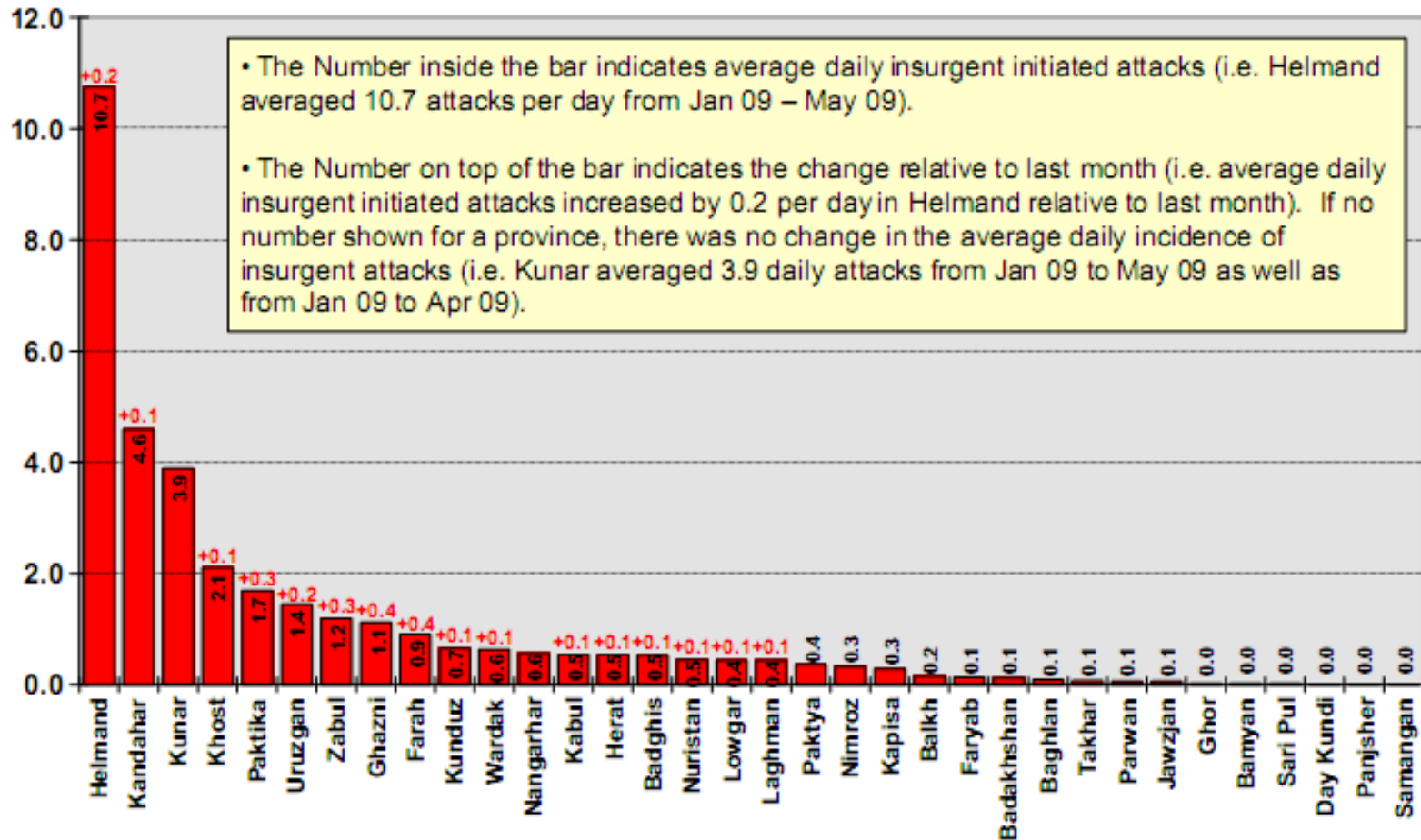


Source: J/OIS, 2 Jun 09

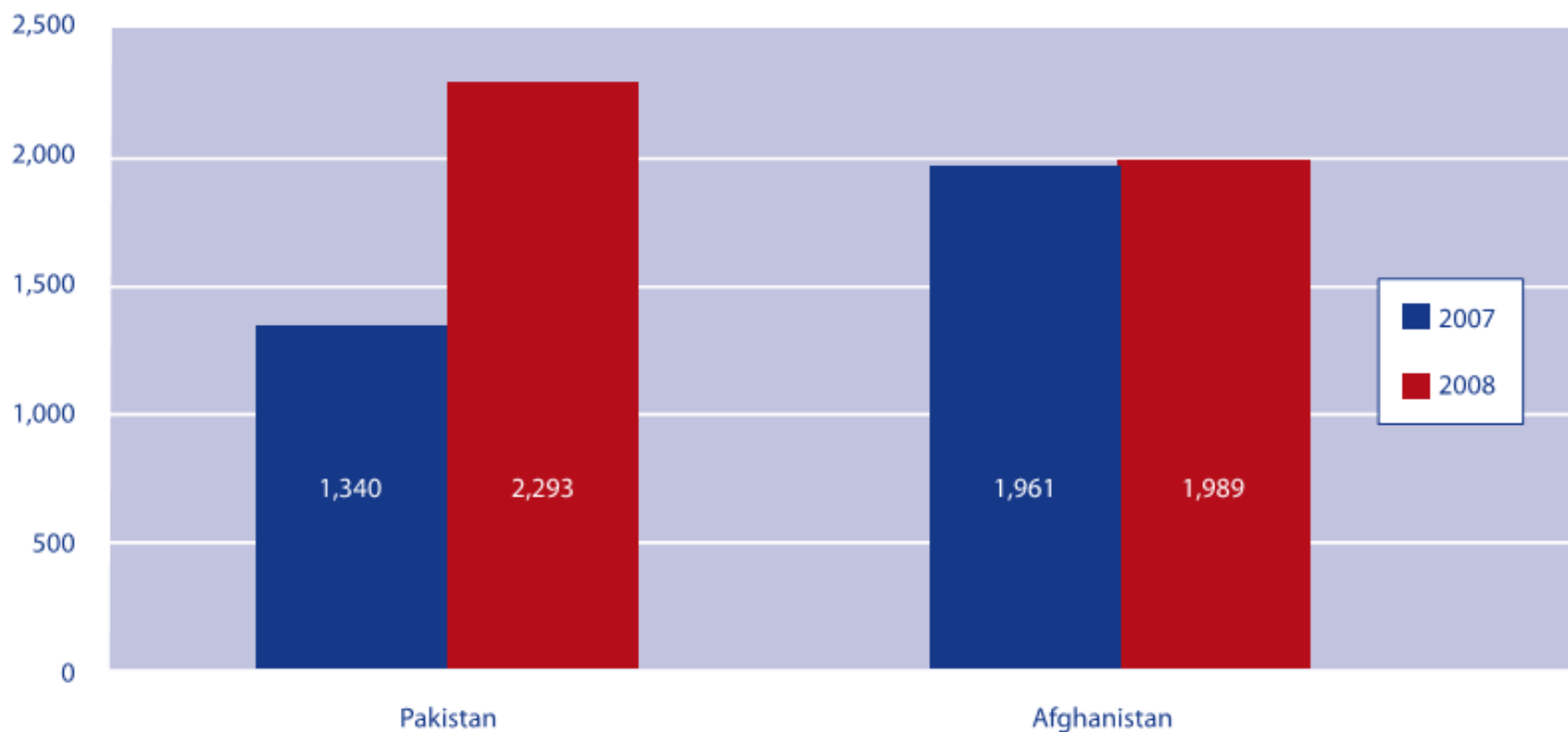
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Average Daily Insurgent Initiated Attacks

By Province, January 1, 2009 – May 31, 2009



Deaths from Terrorism: 2007 vs. 2008



Data from the National Counterterrorism Center.

“Triage: The Next Twelve Months in Afghanistan and Pakistan”, Andrew M. Exum, Nathaniel C. Fick, Ahmed A. Humayun, David J. Kilcullen”, June 2009, Page 11

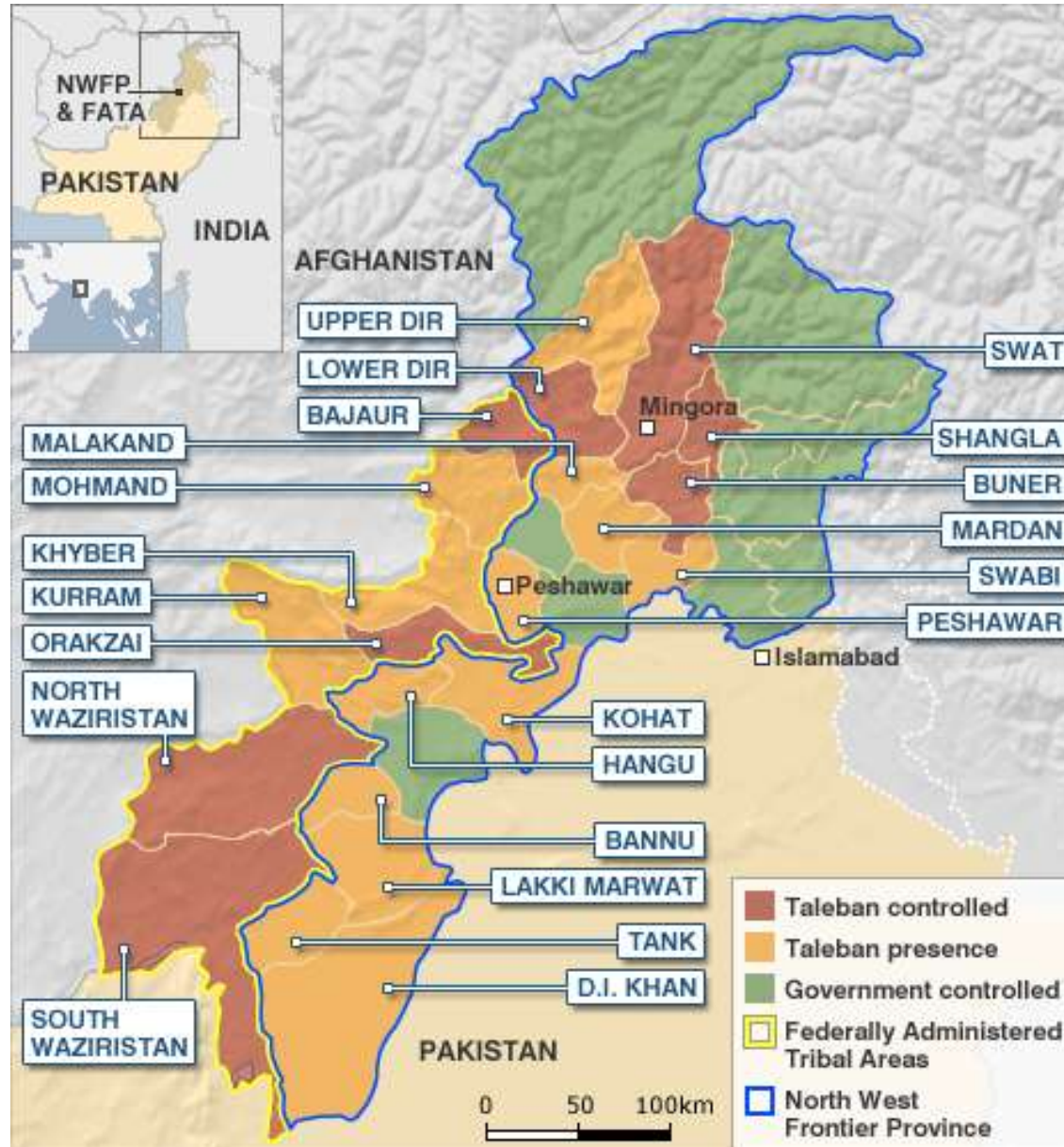
"Pashtunistan" and Pakistan's Federal Administrative Divisions

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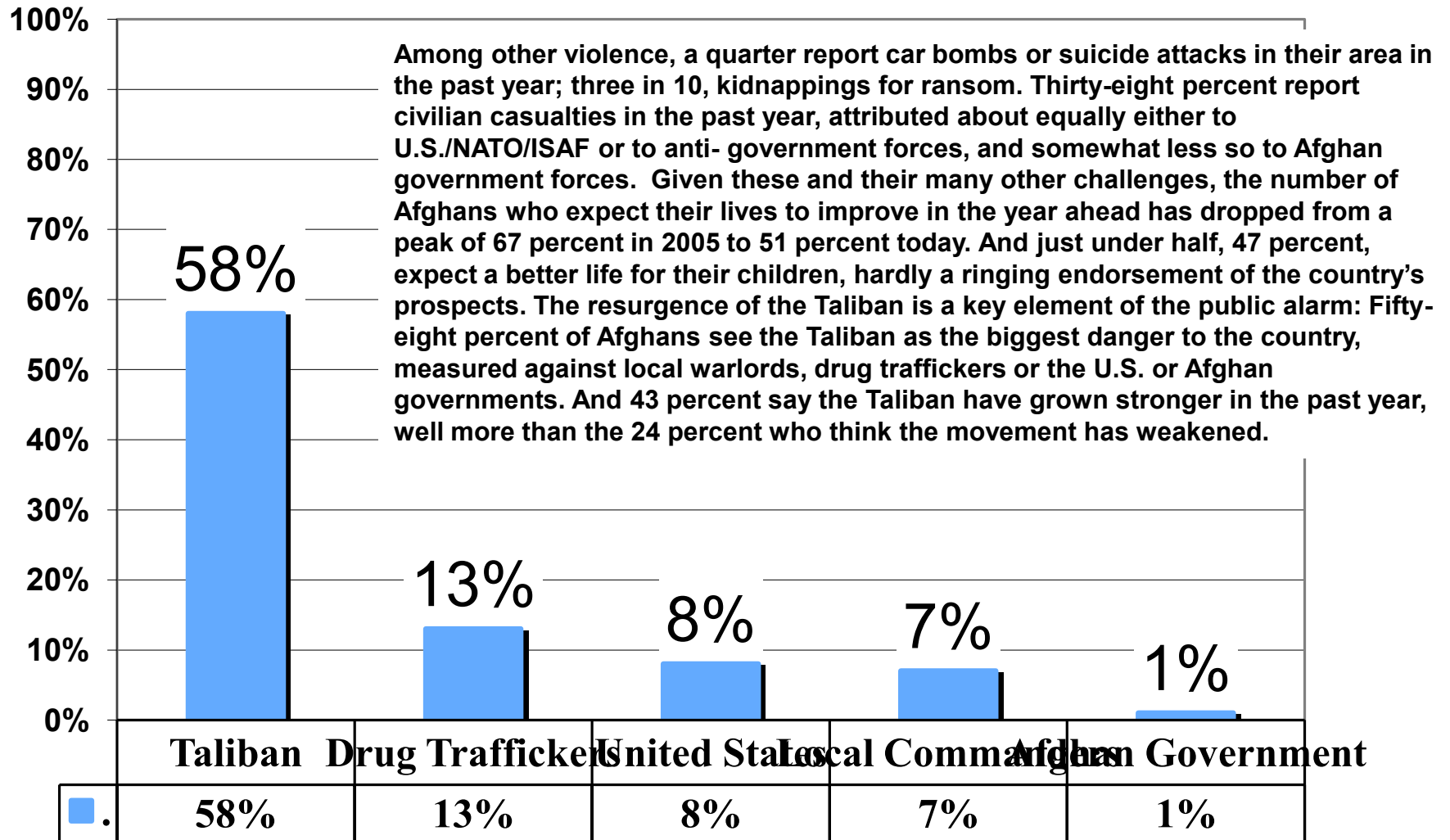


Senlis, "Stumbling into Chaos, Afghanistan on the Brink, November 2007, p. 26."

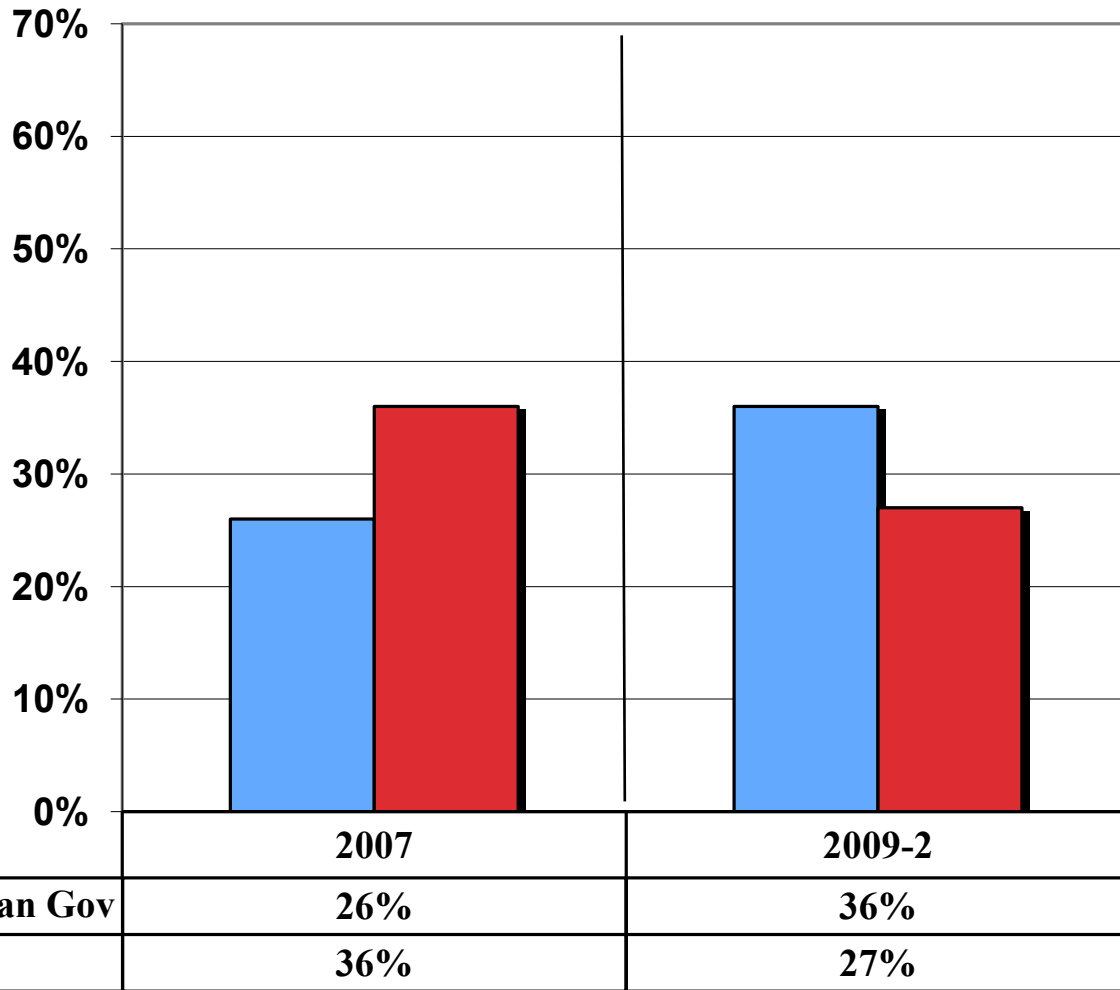
Pakistan conflict map: Spread of Taliban



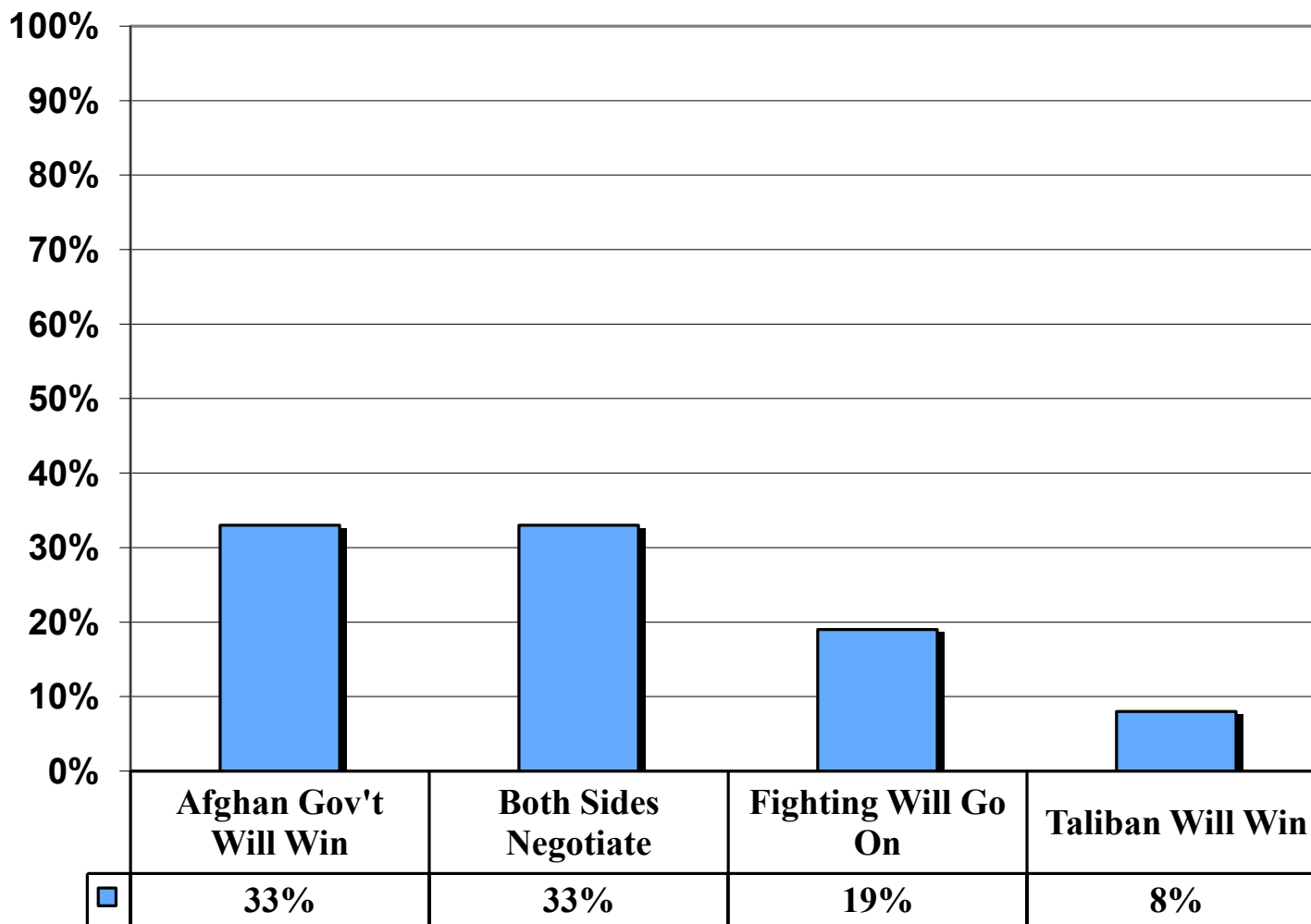
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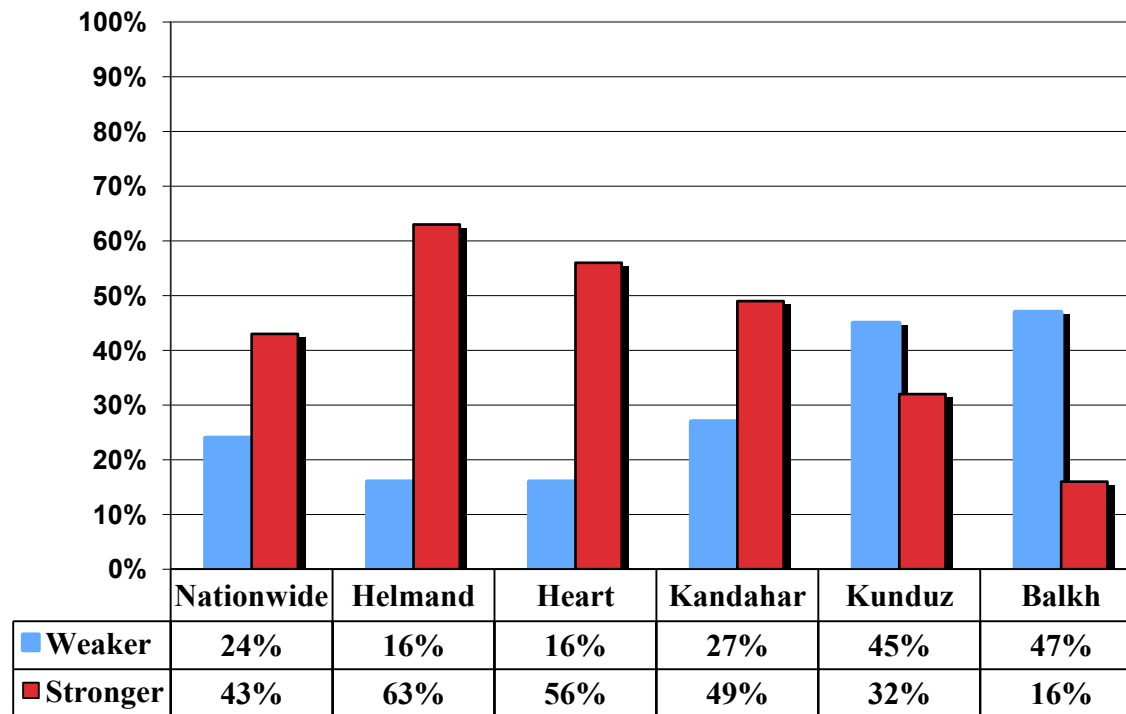
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ABC/BBC/ARD Poll: Most Likely Outcome of War

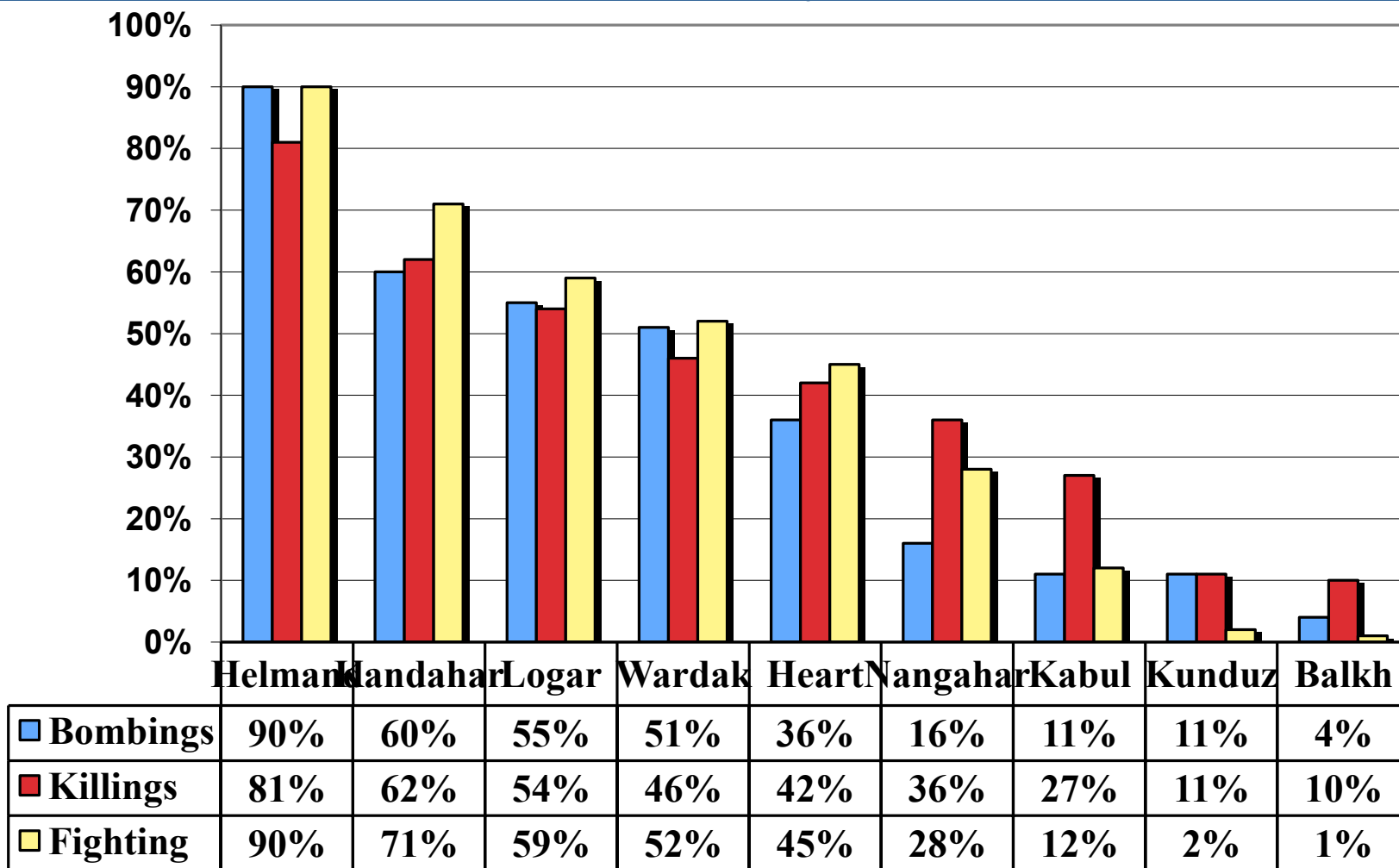


ABC/BBC/ARD Poll: Is Taliban Resurgent? : 2-2009

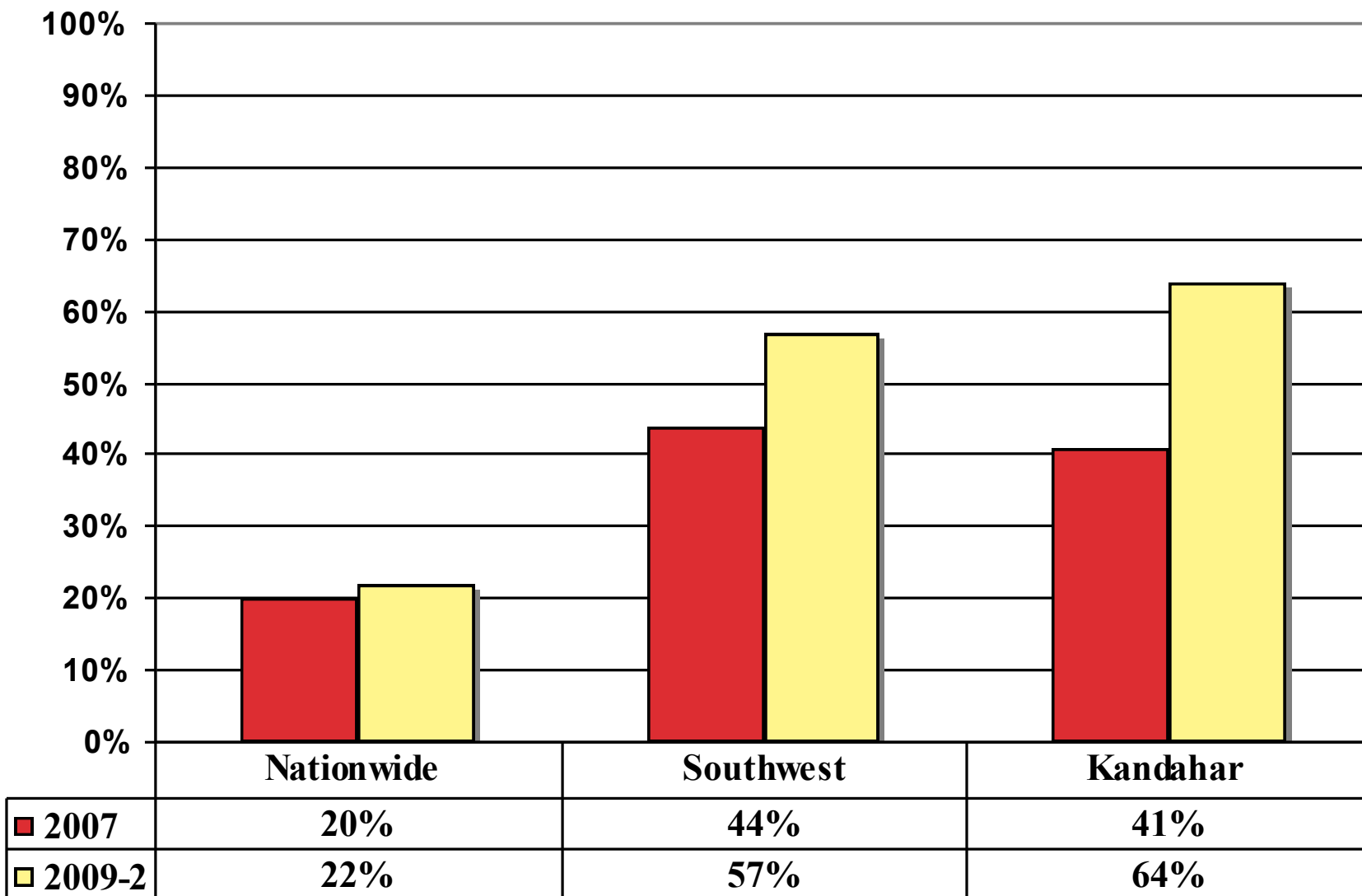


The Taliban are far from achieving popular support -- across a range of measures the group still is shunned by large majorities of Afghans. But 22 percent say it has at least some support in their area, and this soars to 57 percent in the Southwest overall, including 64 percent in its home base, Kandahar. That's up sharply from 44 percent in the Southwest last year, and up from 41 percent in Kandahar. There's also evidence the Taliban have made some progress rebranding themselves. Twenty-four percent of Afghans say it's their impression the Taliban "have changed and become more moderate" -- far from a majority, but one in four. And that view spikes in some provinces -- most notably, to 58 percent in Wardak and 53 percent in Nangarhar, bordering Kabul to the west and east, respectively. People who see the Taliban as more moderate are 20 points more likely to favor negotiating with the movement, and less supportive of the U.S. and NATO/ISAF presence in Afghanistan.

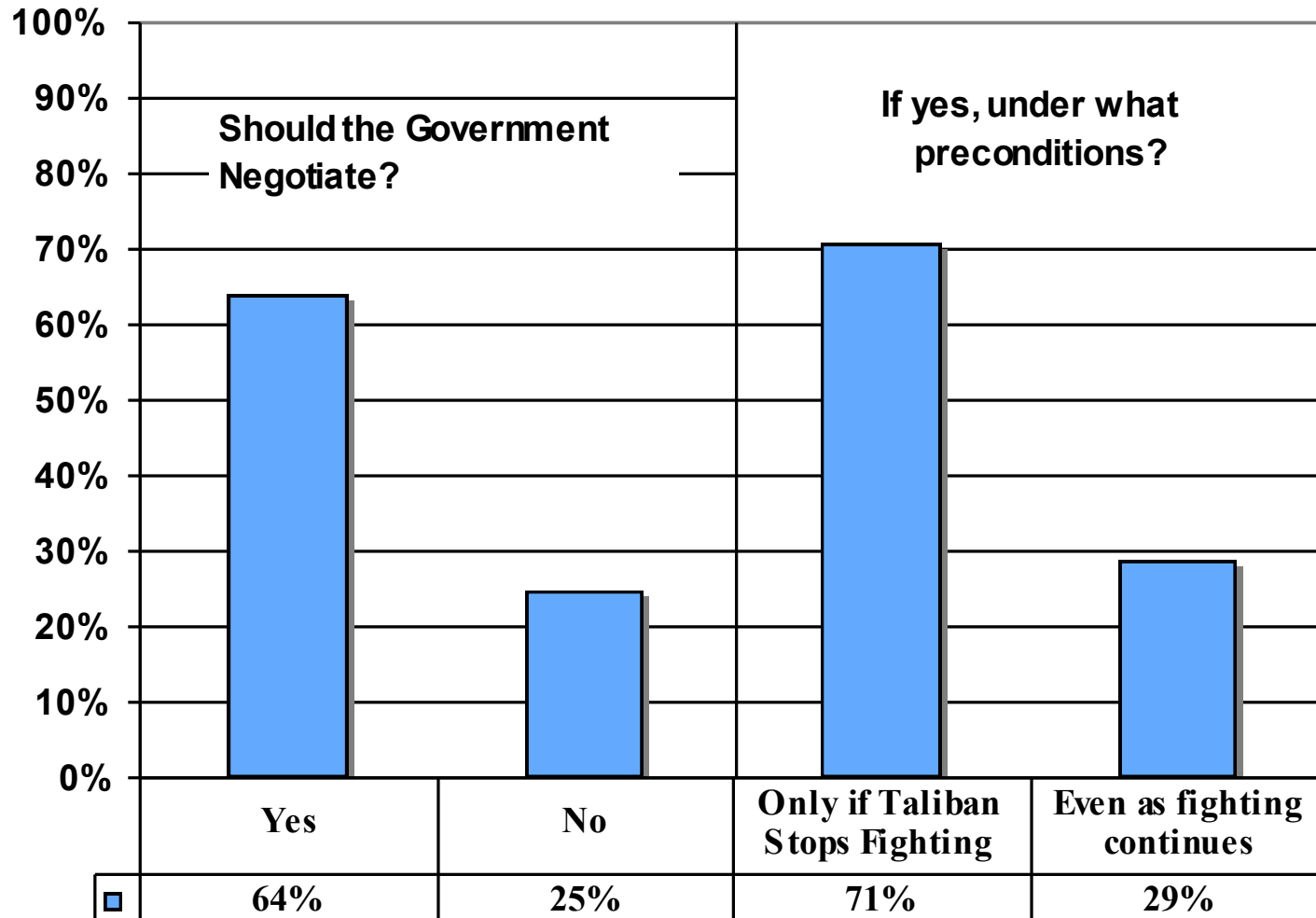
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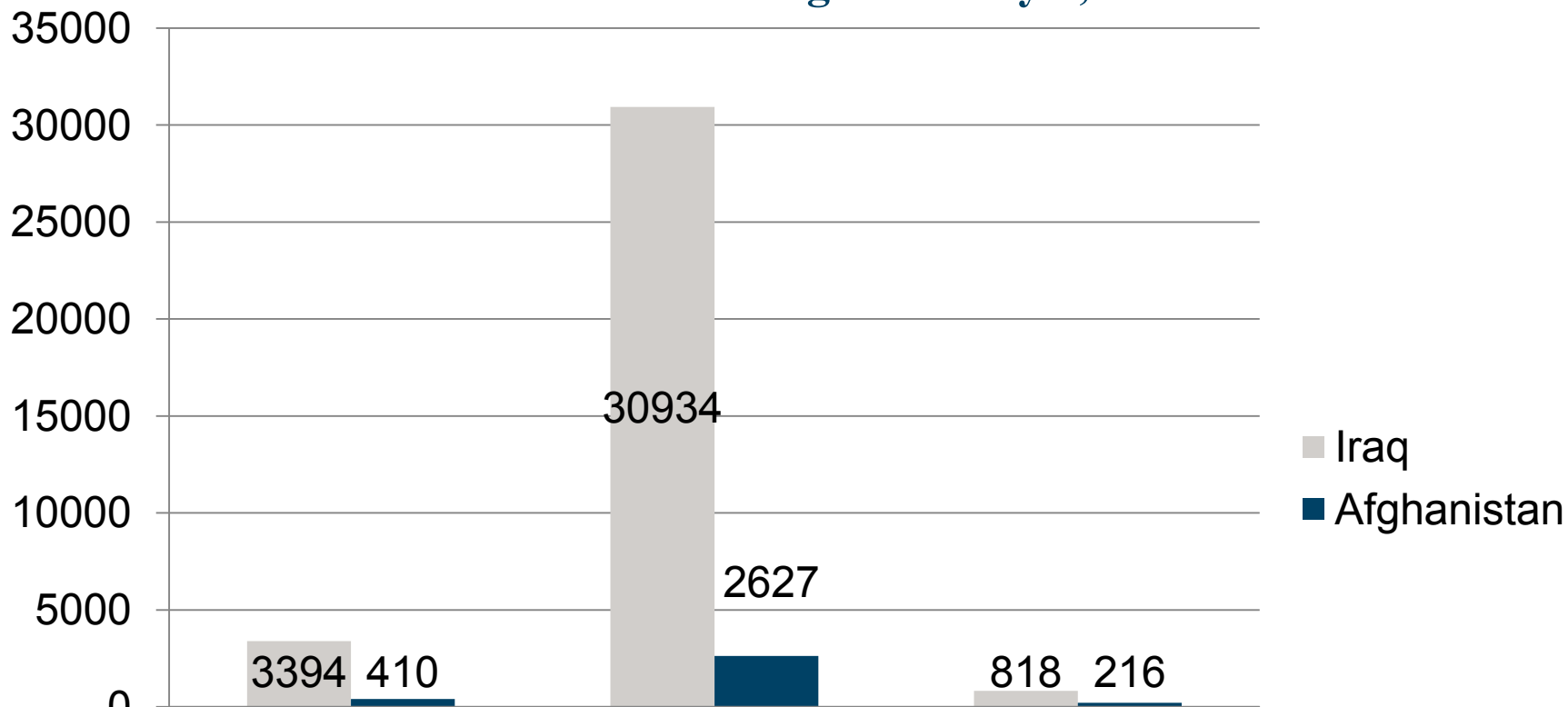
ABC/BBC/ARD Poll: At Least Some Support for the Taliban : 2007 versus 2009/2



ABC/BBC/ARD Poll: Should The Government Negotiate with the Taliban? 2009-2



Total Casualties: Iraq vs. Afghanistan Through January 3, 2009

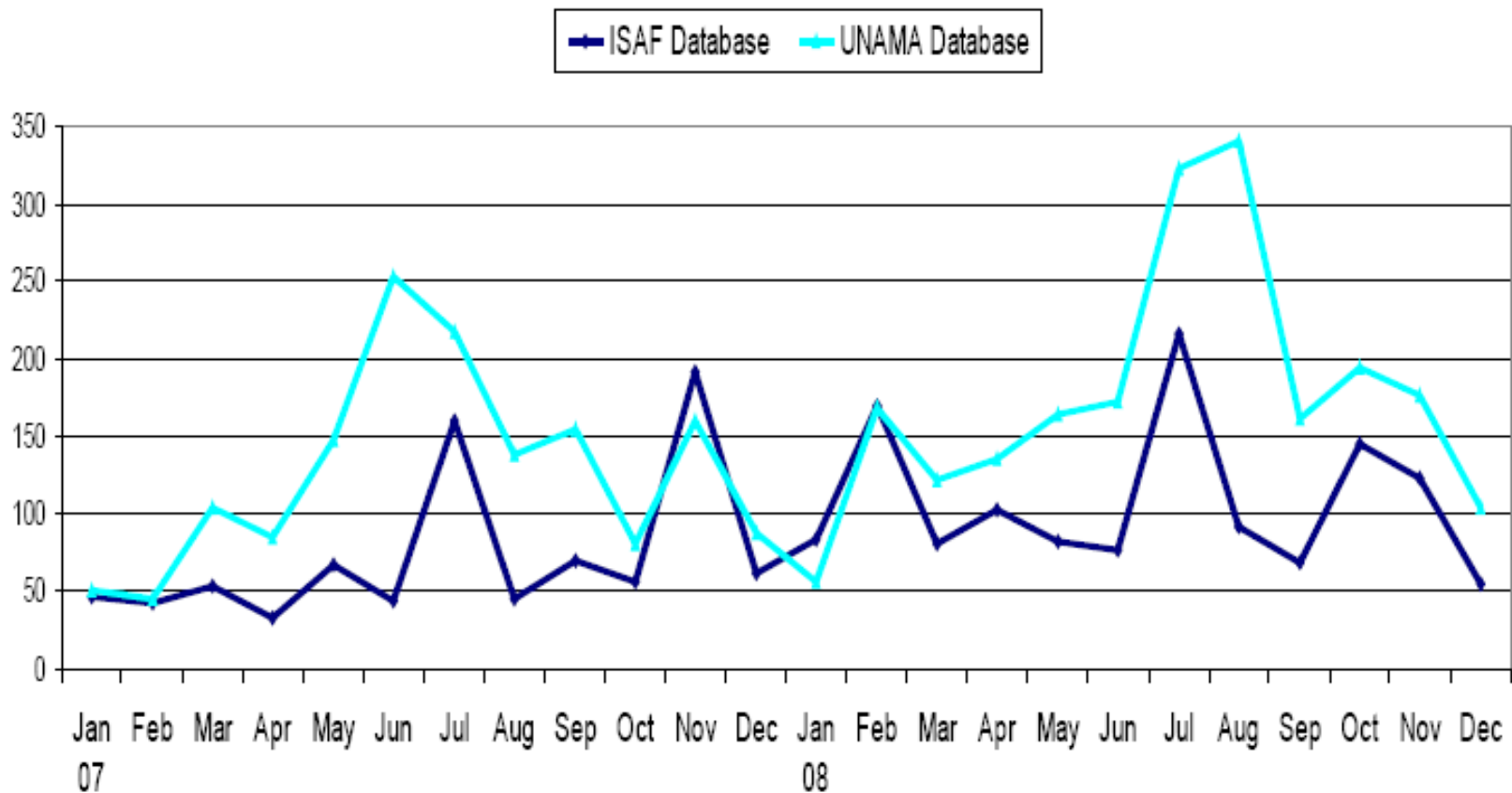


	Total Hostile Deaths	Total Wounded	Total Non-Hostile Deaths*
Iraq	3394	30934	818
Afghanistan	410	2627	216

* Non-hostile deaths includes: Accident, Illness, self-inflicted, undetermined, and pending.

NATO/ISAF Civilian Deaths in 2008

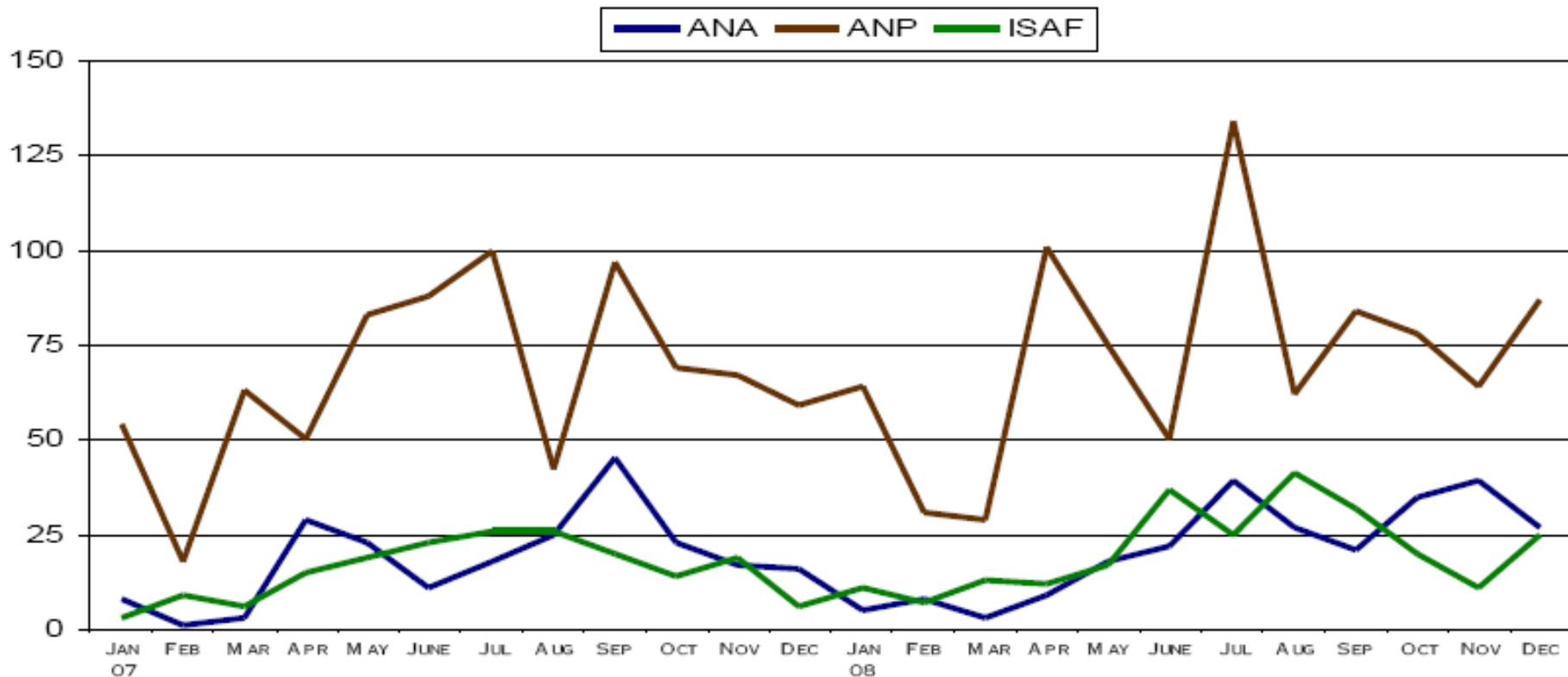
- **Up 46%** according to ISAF (JOIIS/NATO) database
- **Up 40%** according to UNAMA database
- **INS cause 80% of civilian casualties***



*according to ISAF report procedures / investigations

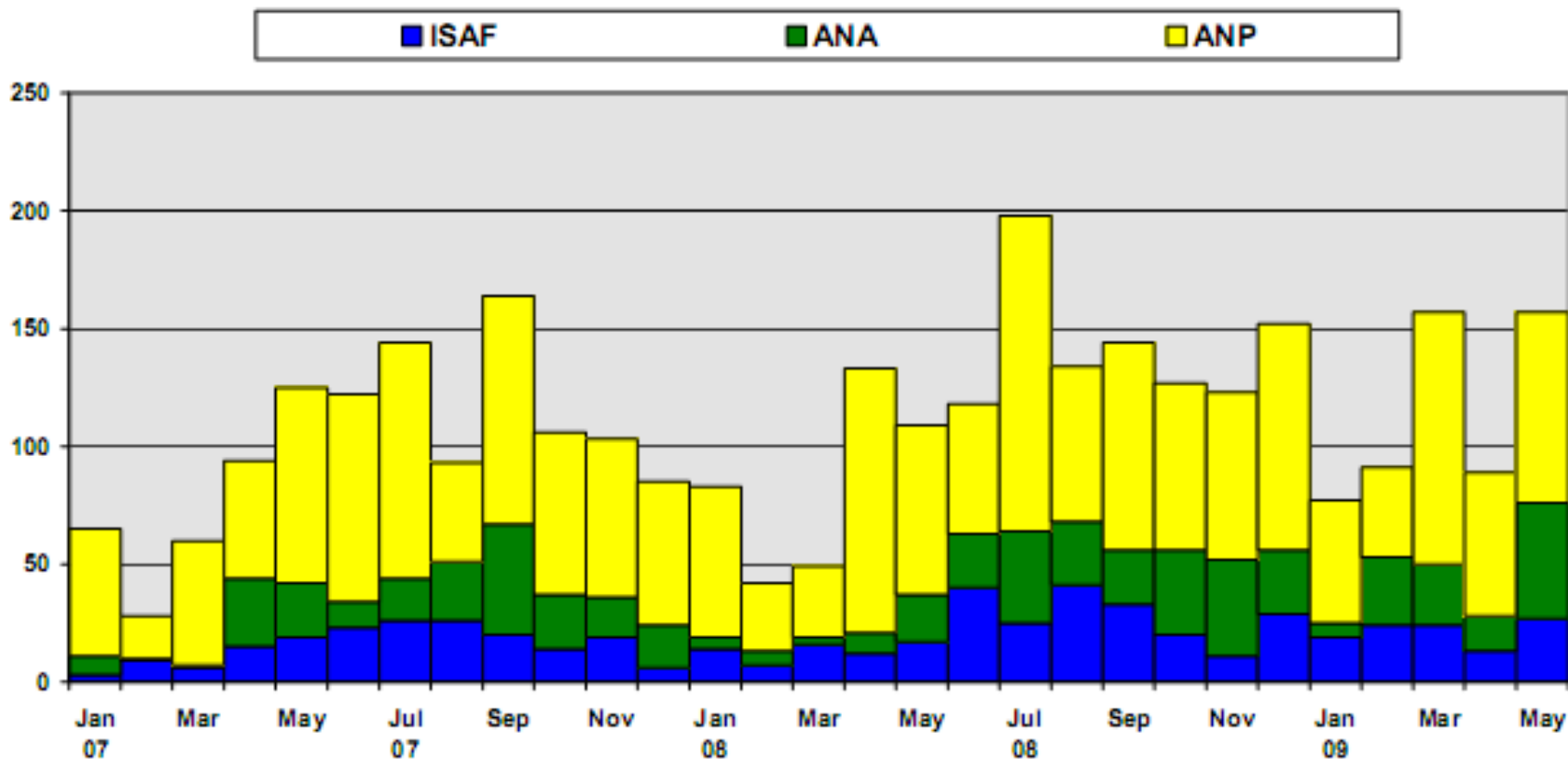
ANA, ANP, ISAF Military Deaths

- Overall Trend **up 12%**
 - ISAF/OEF: **up 35%**
 - ANA: **up 16%**
 - ANP: **up 9%**
- ANP - over 60% of total since Jan 2007



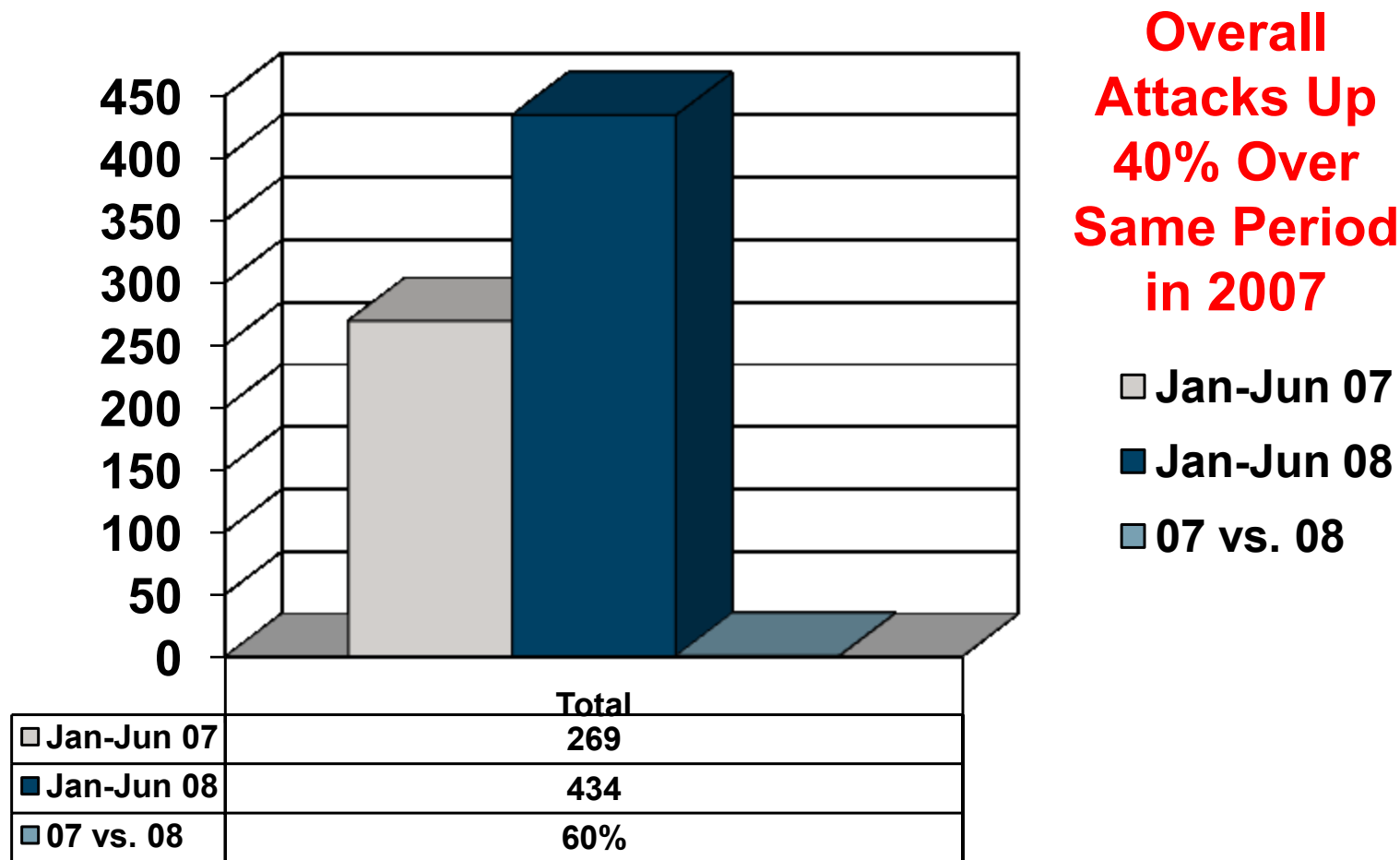
Military Deaths

- Comparing Jan-May '09 to the same time period in 2008:
 - Total military deaths were up 37%
 - ANSF deaths were up 33%
 - ISAF deaths were up 62%



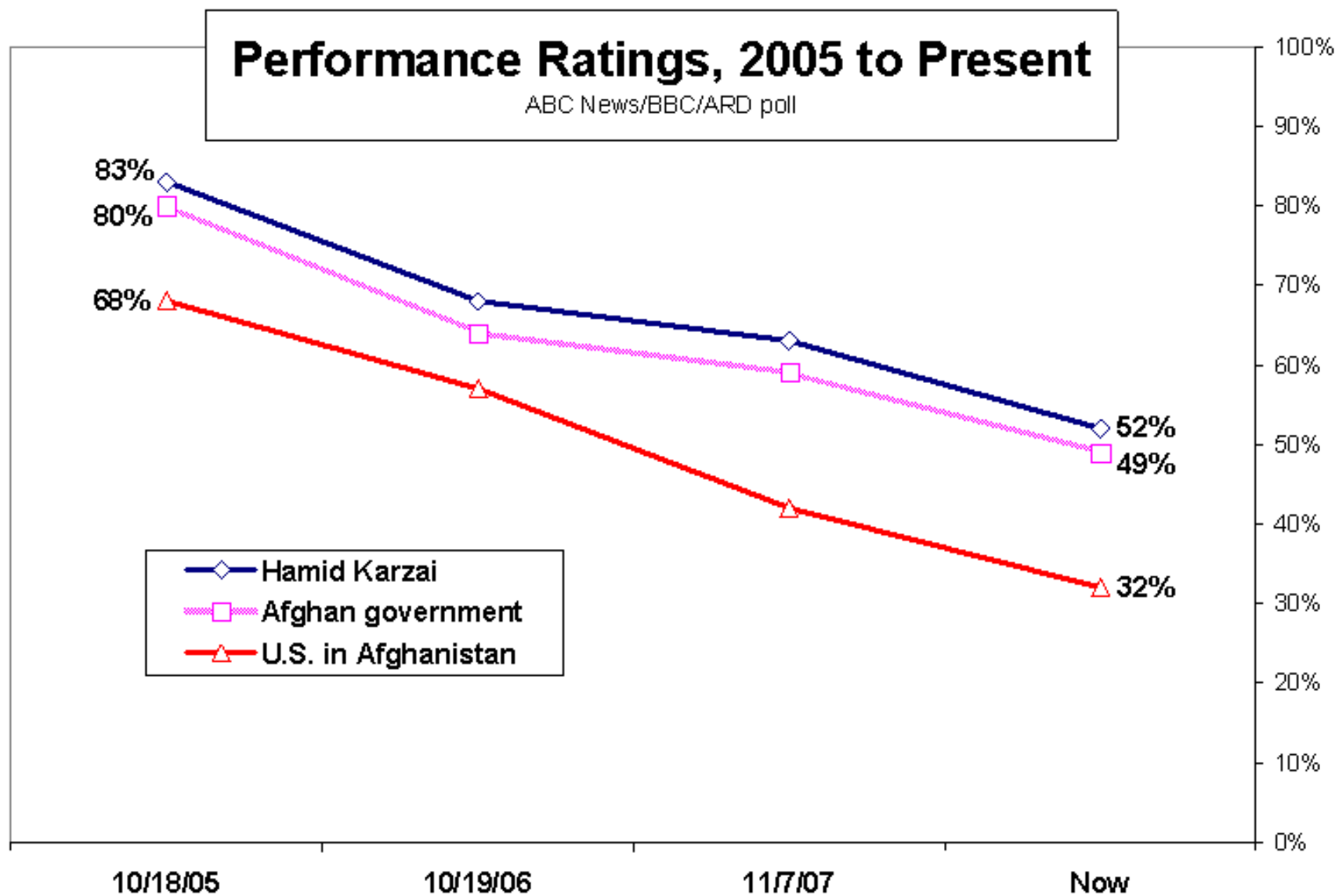
*Attributed to insurgent initiated attacks (direct fire, indirect fire, IEDs, and surface-to-air fire)

Cross Border Raids from Pakistan to Eastern Afghanistan: First Six Months of 2007 vs. 2008



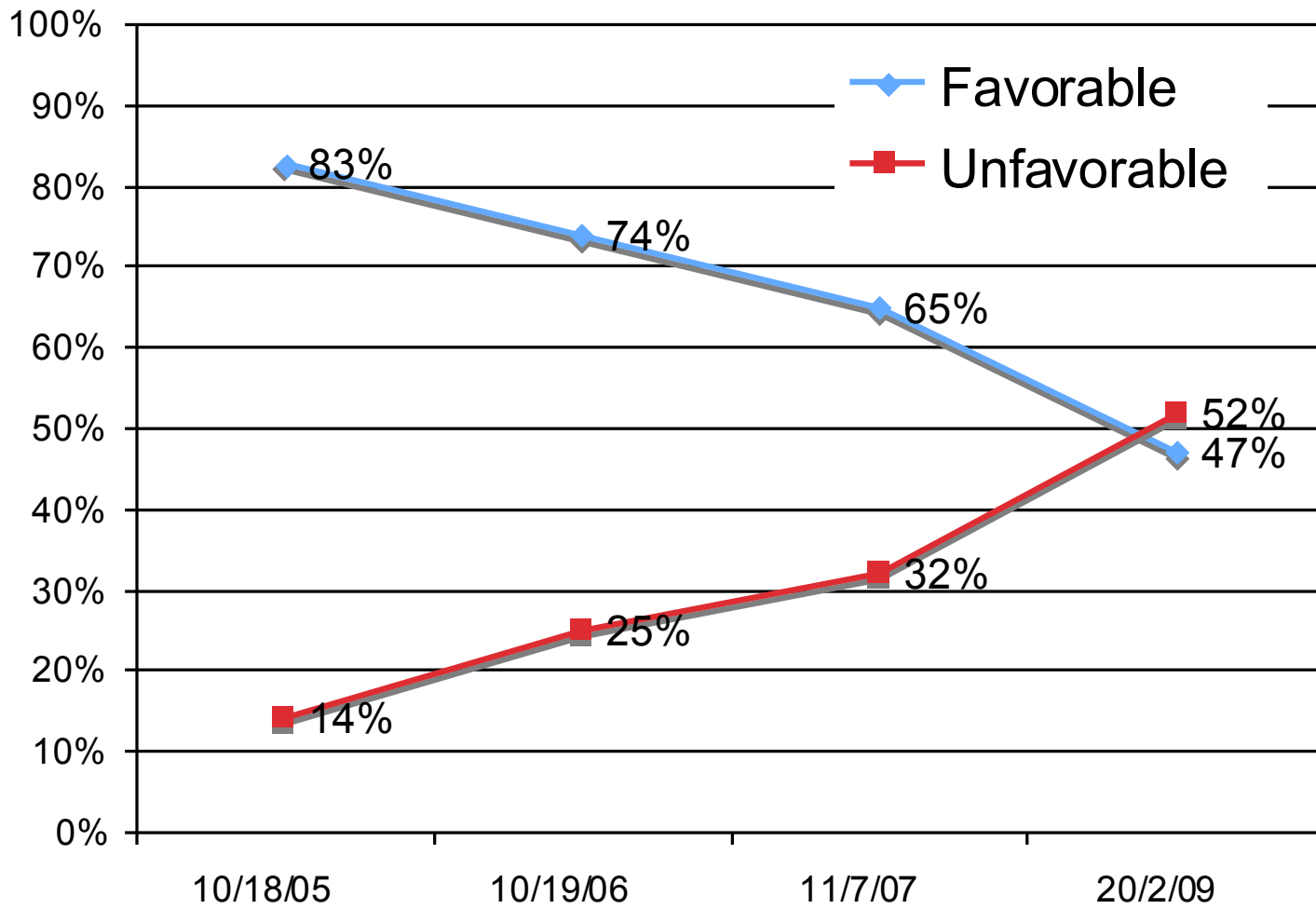
Increase in ISAF troop levels



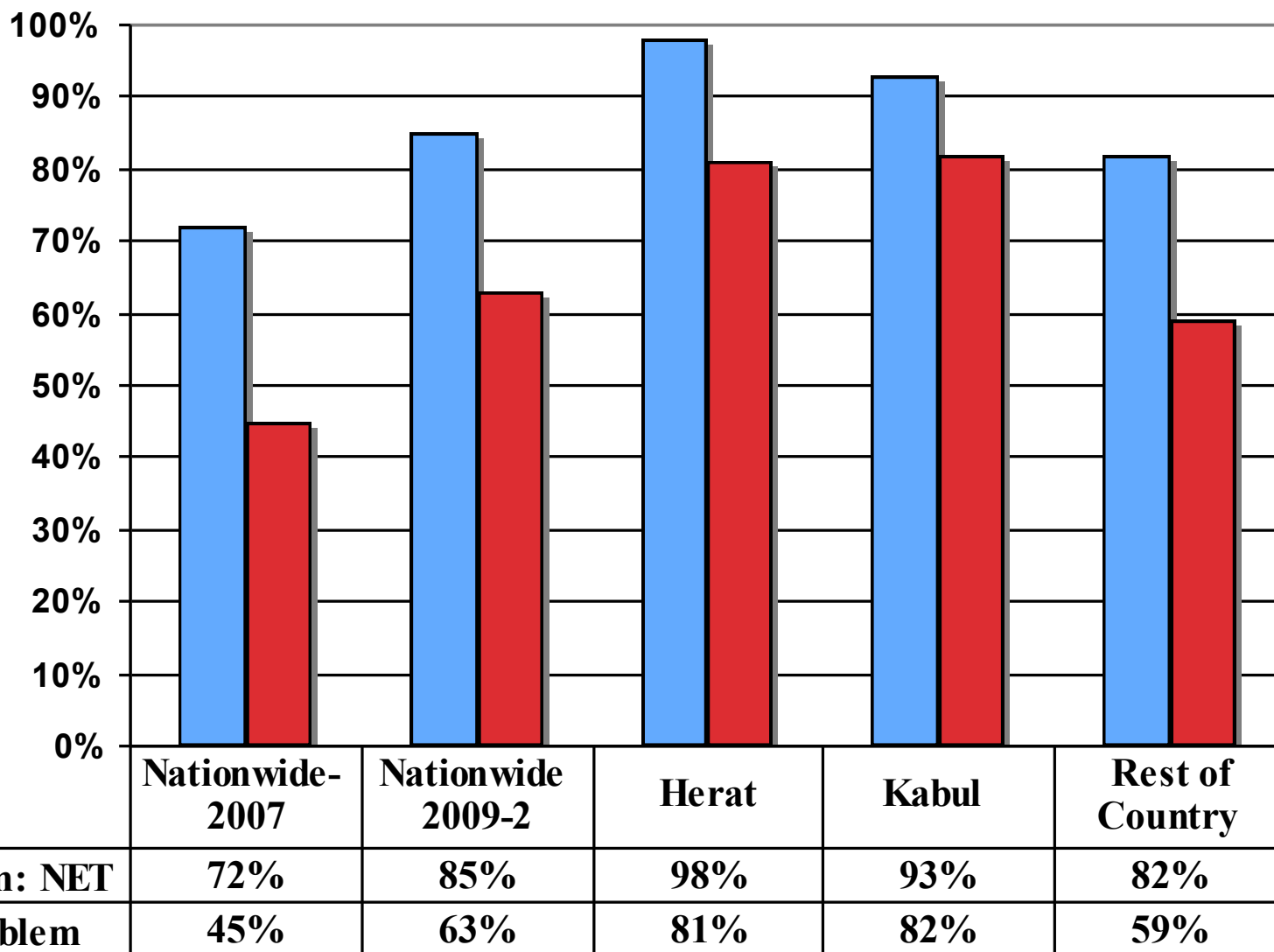


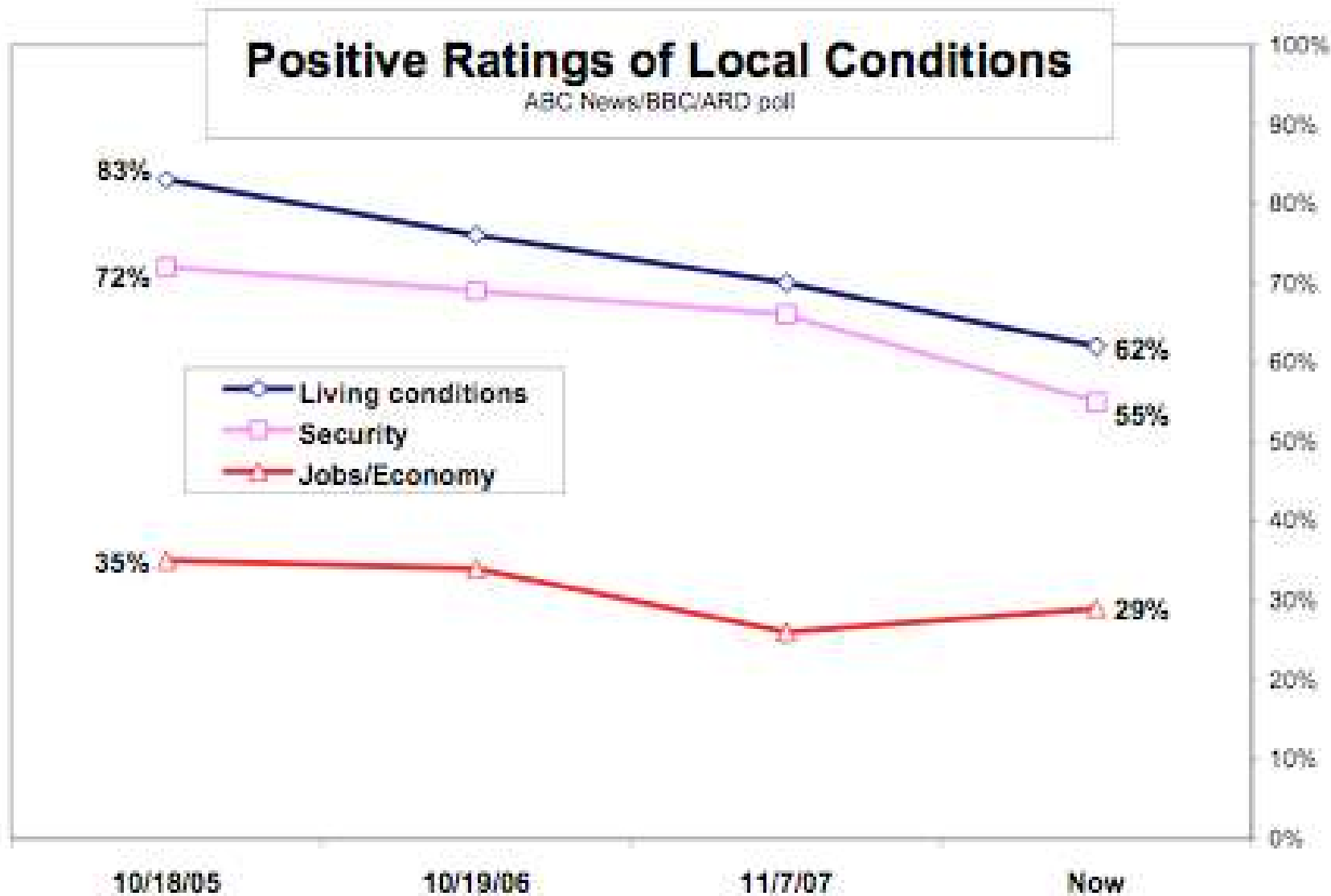
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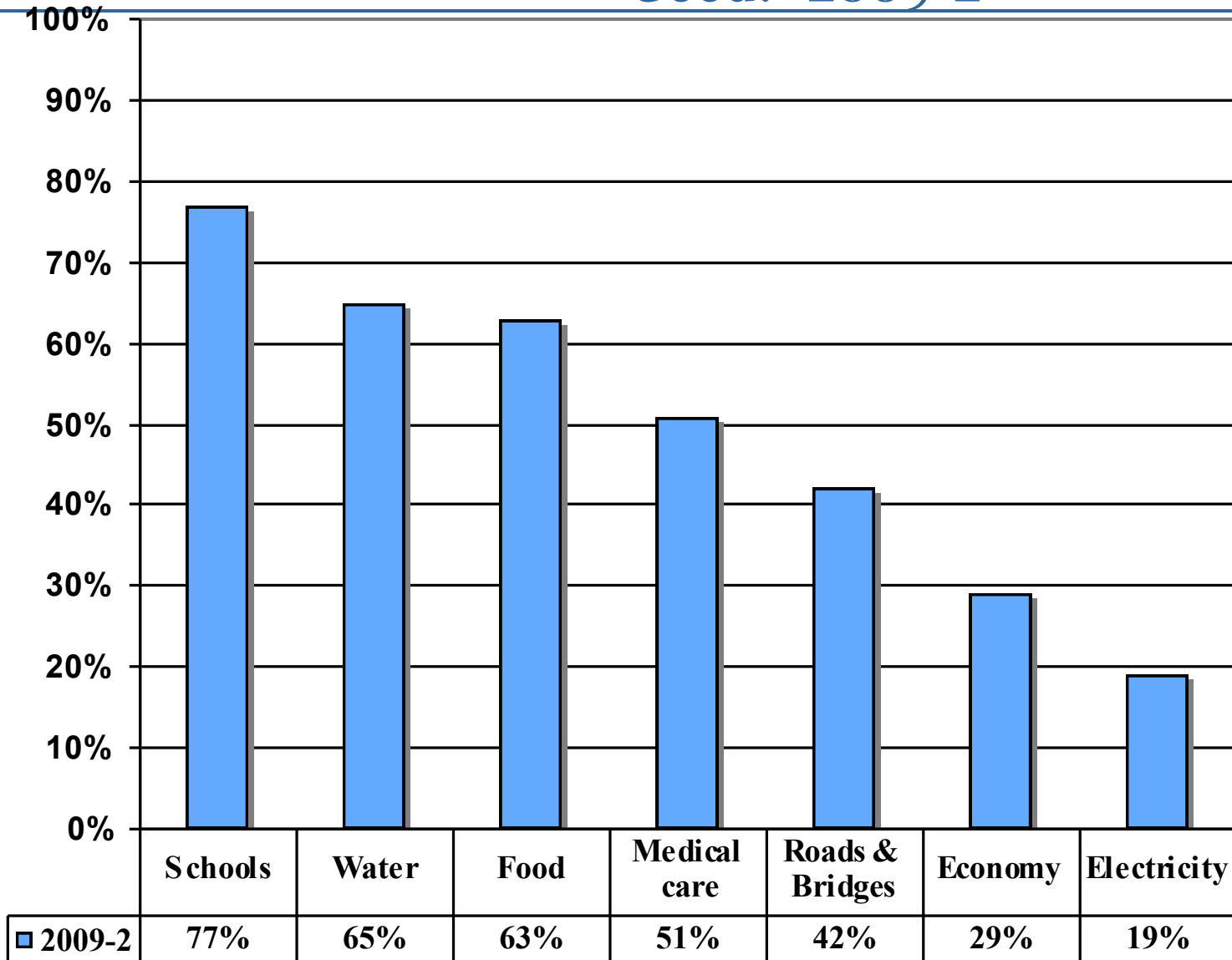
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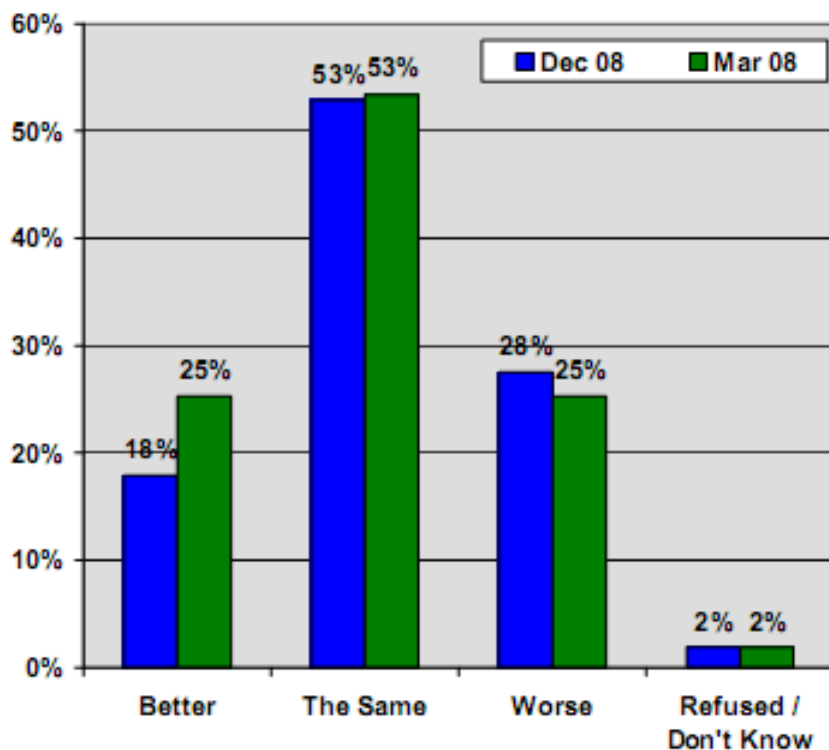
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ABC/BBC/ARD Poll: Conditions in Your Area - Good? 2009-2

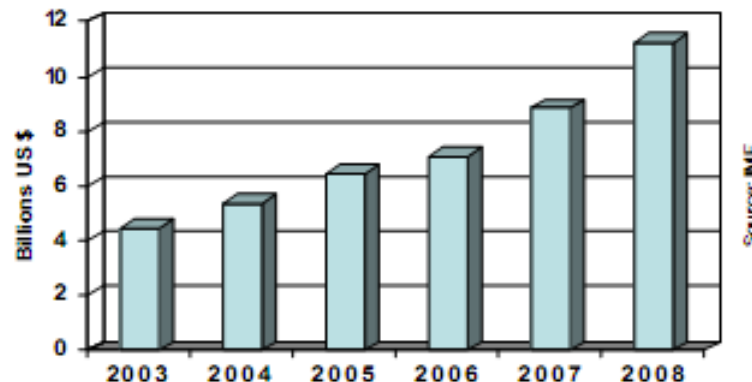


Economy & Essential Services

Has your family's economic situation gotten better, stayed the same or gotten worse compared to 12 months ago?



Gross Licit Domestic Product



Are you satisfied/dissatisfied with the provision of services in the area?
 (Percent responding 'satisfied' or 'very satisfied')

