

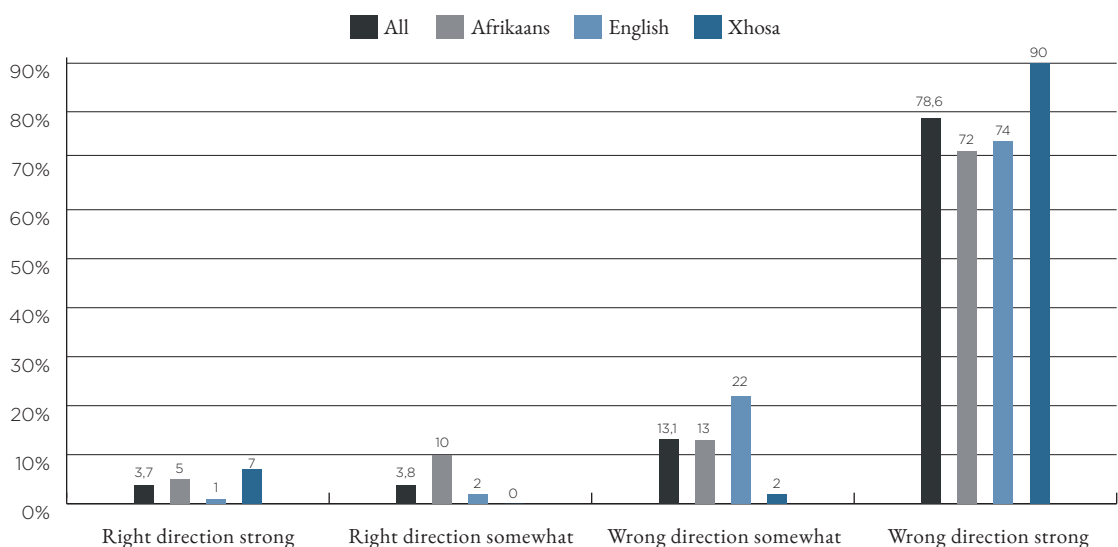
WESTERN CAPE VOTERS' PERCEPTION OF WHETHER THE COUNTRY AND THE WESTERN CAPE ARE GOING IN THE RIGHT OR WRONG DIRECTION

This report tracks the opinions of registered voters in the Western Cape on whether South Africa and the Western Cape are moving in the right direction or wrong direction.

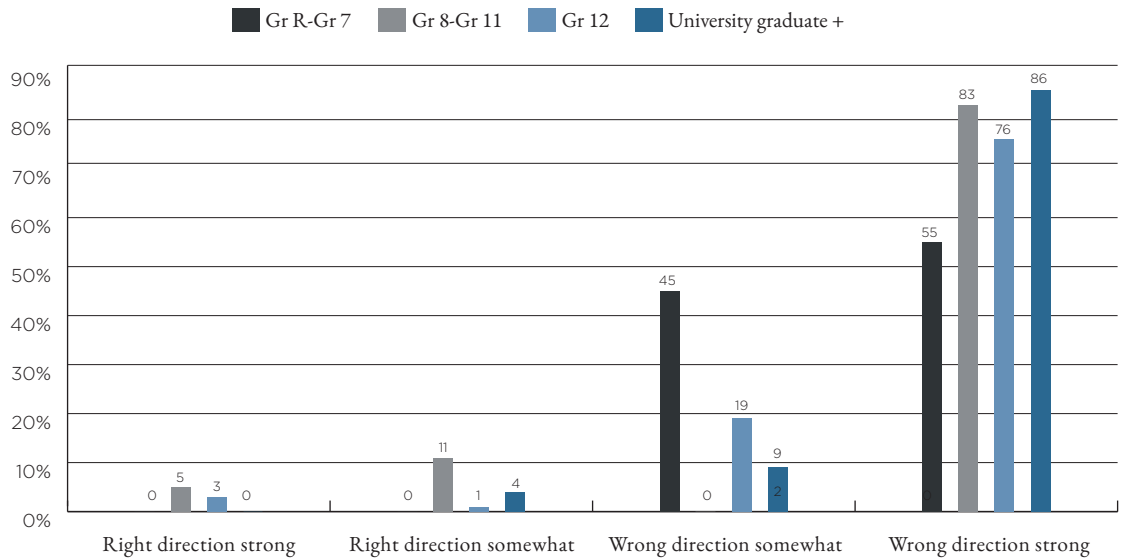
The data comes from a July 2023 Foundation survey. The survey was conducted telephonically amongst a sample of 2 590 geographically and demographically representative registered voters in the Western Cape. The survey has a provincial margin of error of 2.9%. Totals may not add up to 100% where rounding has occurred.

IN GENERAL, ARE THINGS IN SOUTH AFRICA GOING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION OR WRONG DIRECTION?

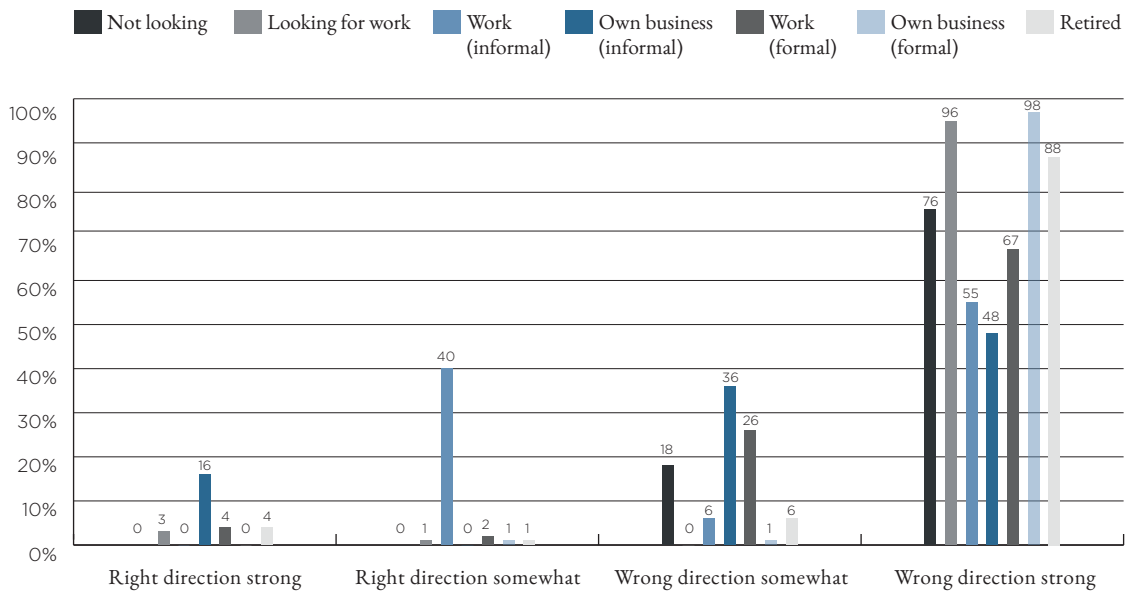
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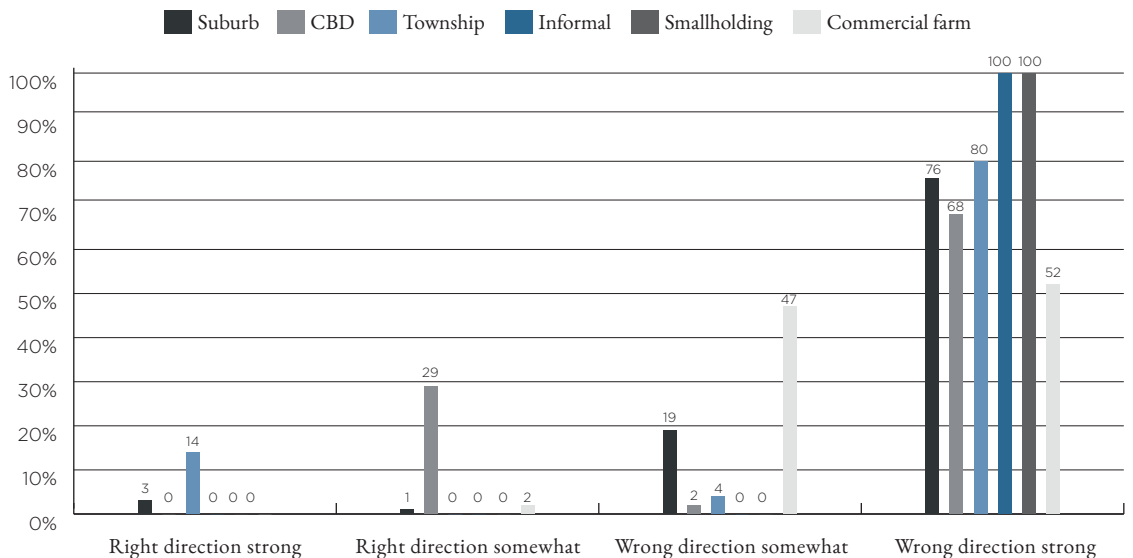
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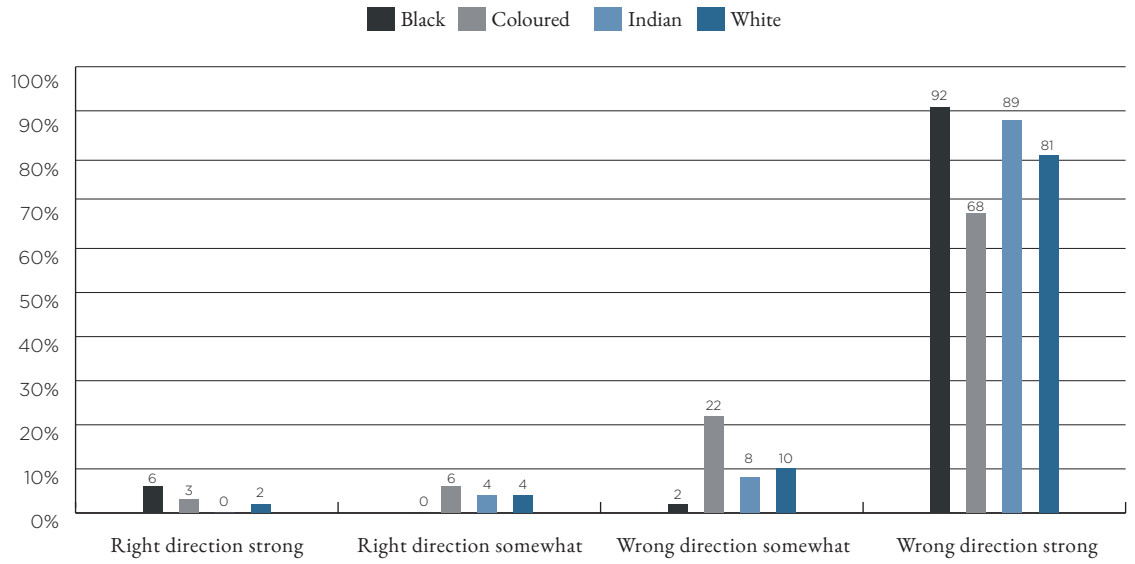
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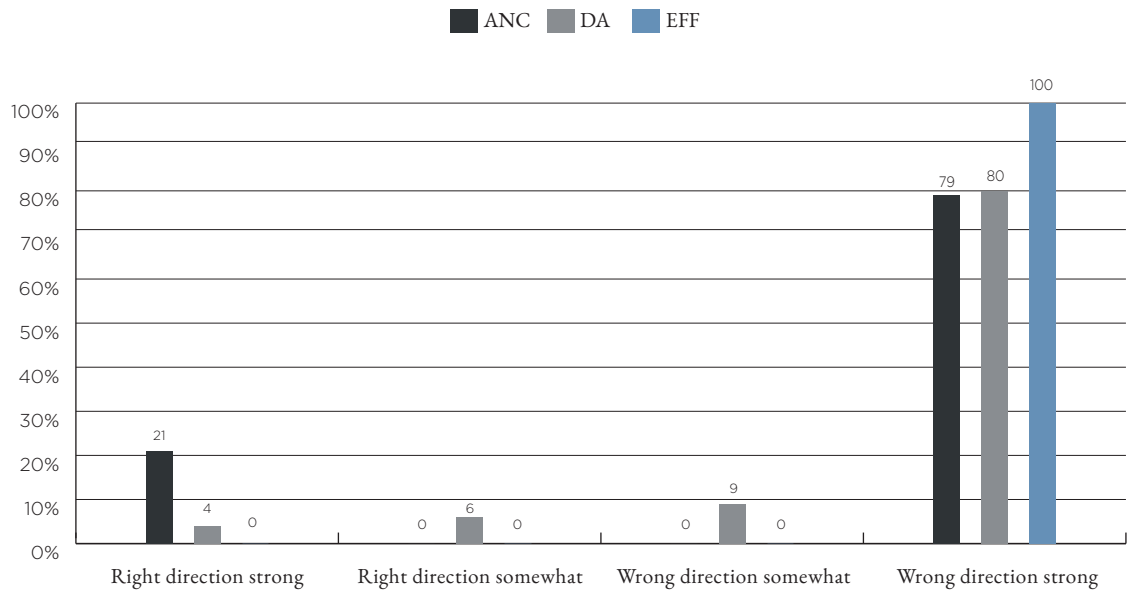
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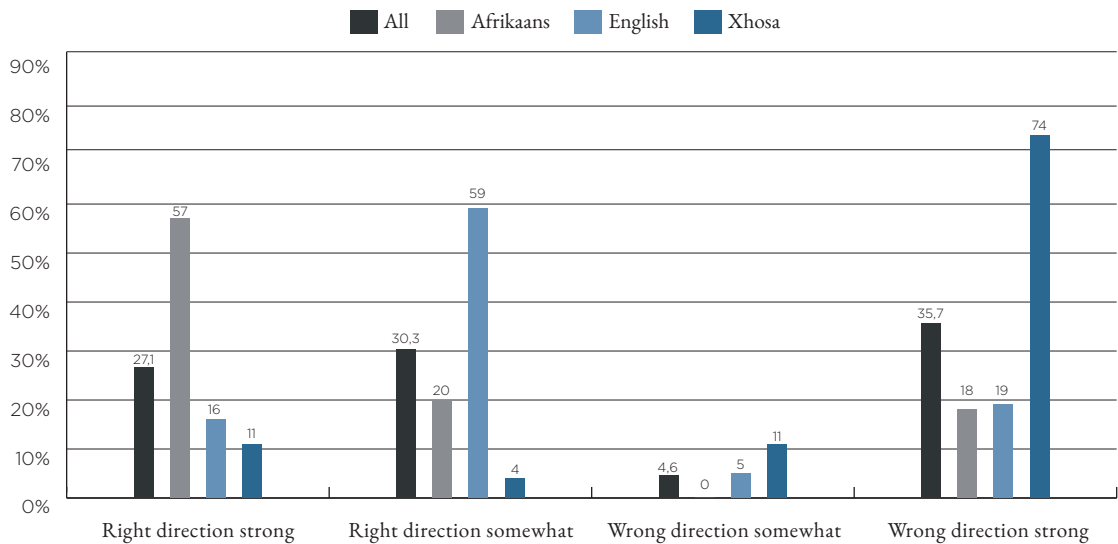


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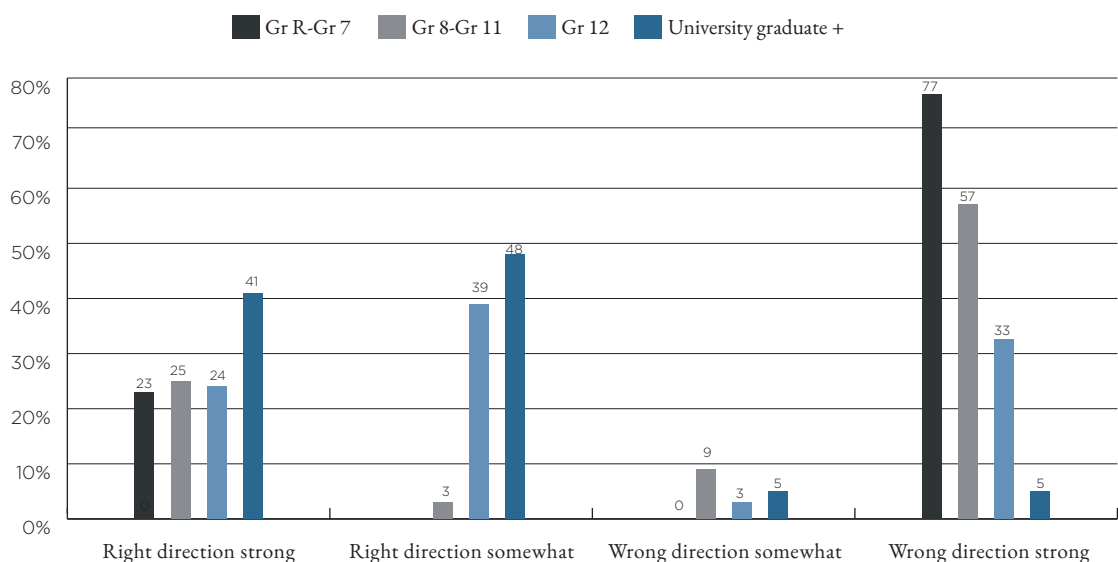


AND WHAT ABOUT YOUR PROVINCE? DO YOU BELIEVE THINGS IN THE WESTERN CAPE ARE GOING IN THE RIGHT OR IN THE WRONG DIRECTION?

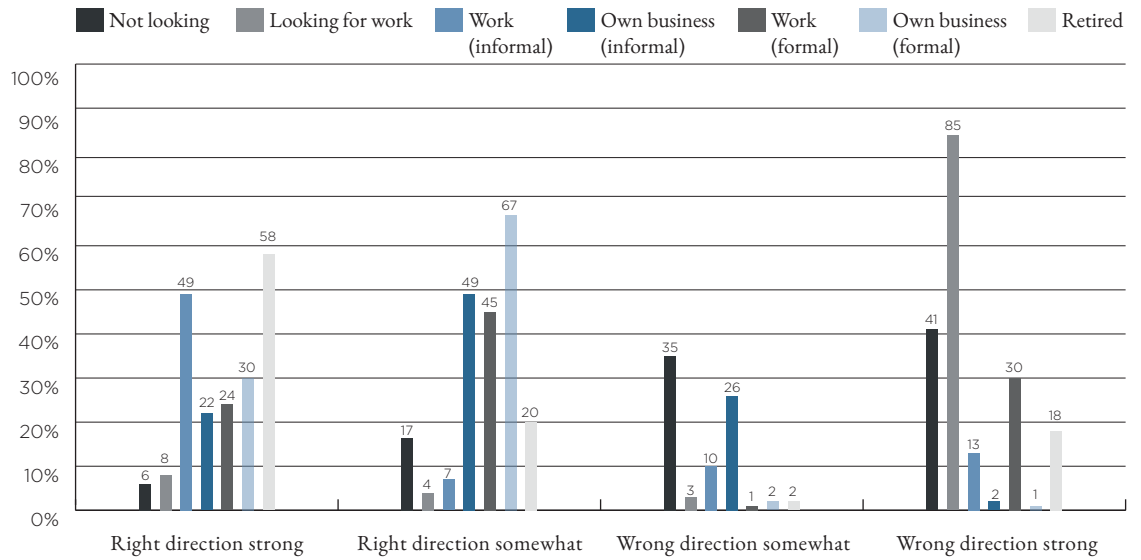
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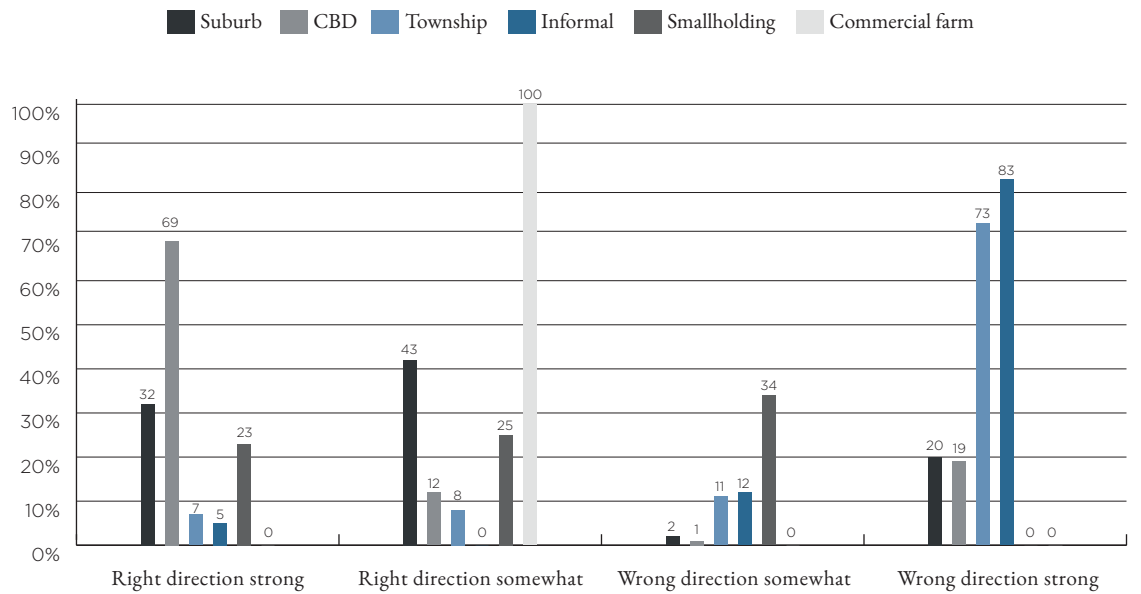
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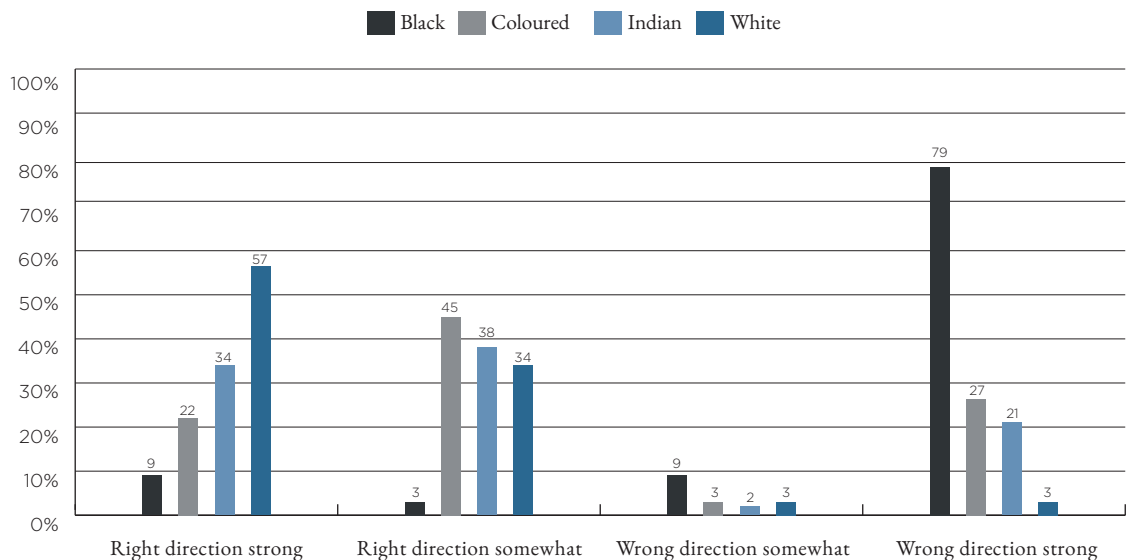
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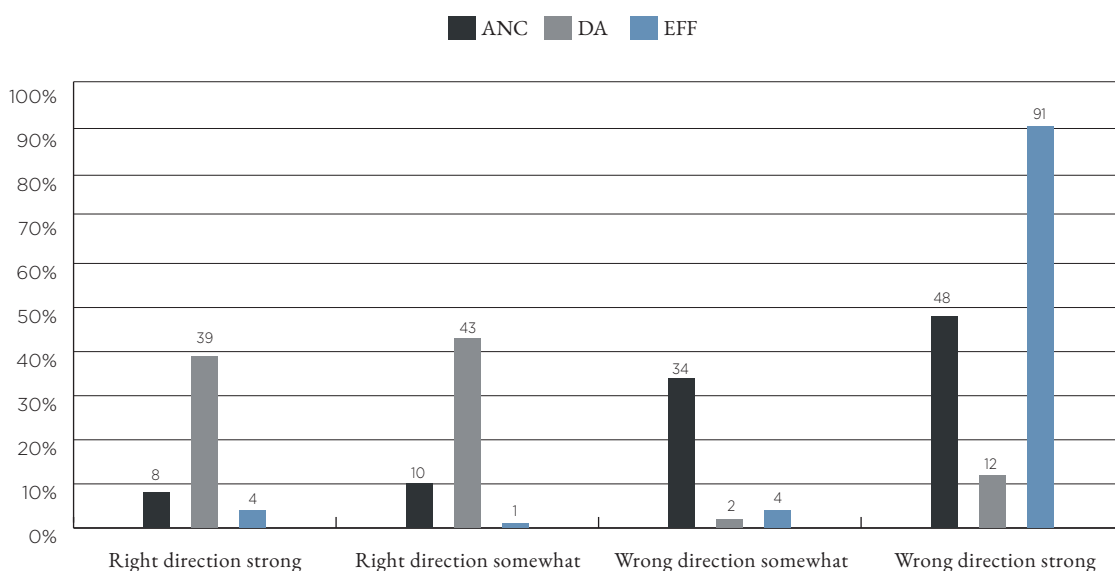
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TENTATIVE CONCLUSIONS

A significant majority of voters in the Western Cape, regardless of language, level of education, employment status, residential area, race or party affiliation believe that the country is moving in the wrong direction. This finding is in line with Foundation surveys from June 2022 and March 2023.

In terms of the direction the province is going in, 58.8% of all registered voters think the province is going in the right direction. This data did however split sharply with higher socio-economic brackets demonstrating considerably more positive sentiment about the trajectory of the province, compared to residents in lower socio-economic strata.

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