

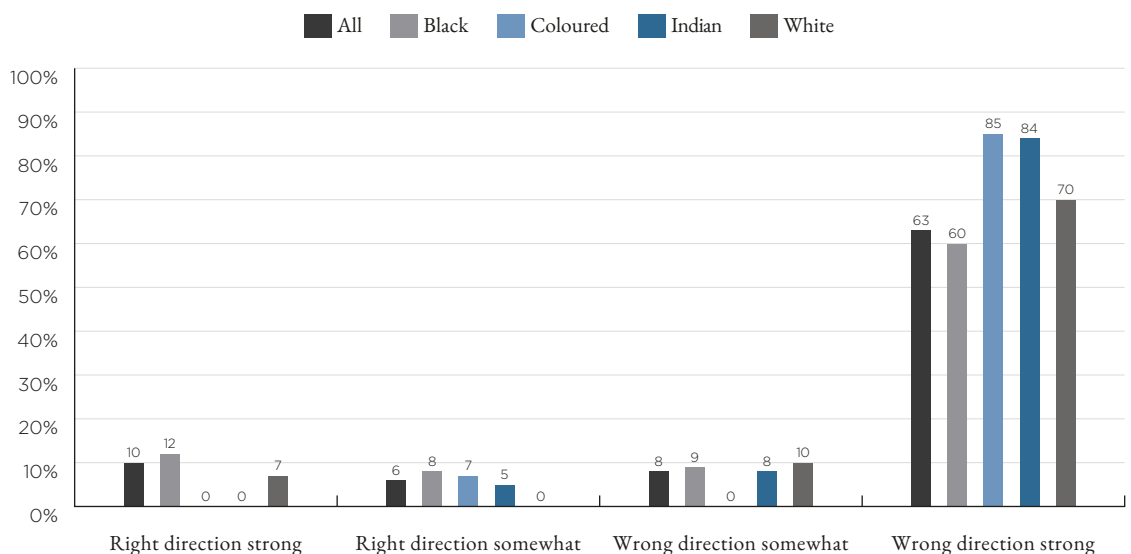
KWAZULU-NATAL VOTERS' PERCEPTIONS OF WHETHER THE COUNTRY AND KWAZULU-NATAL ARE GOING IN THE RIGHT OR WRONG DIRECTION

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

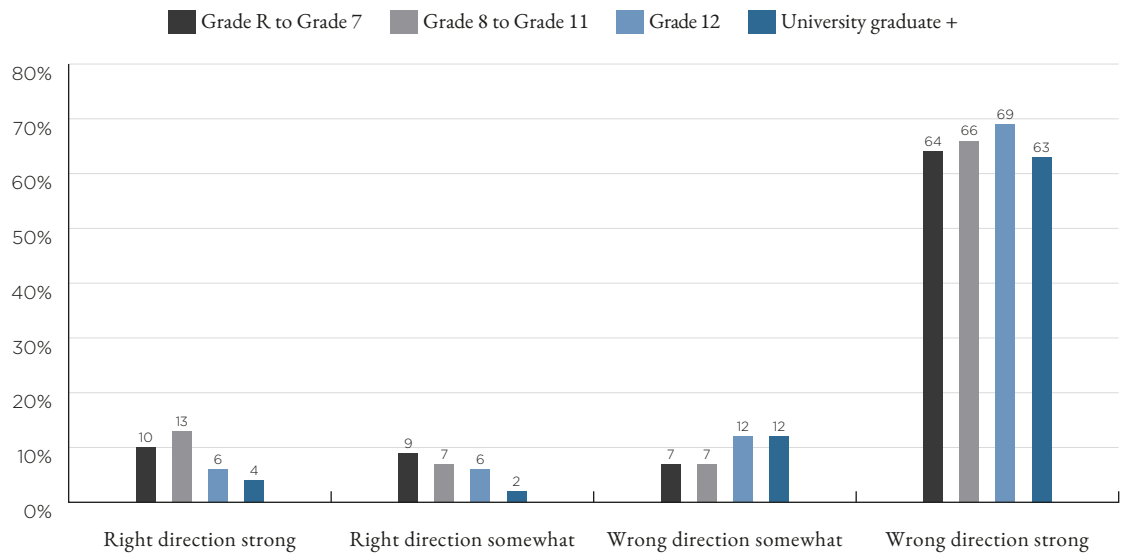
The data in the report comes from a September 2023 Foundation survey. The survey was conducted telephonically amongst a sample of 2 434 geographically and demographically representative registered voters in KwaZulu-Natal. The survey has a provincial margin of error of 3%. Totals may not add up to 100% where rounding has occurred or where participants refused to answer a question.

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

By race



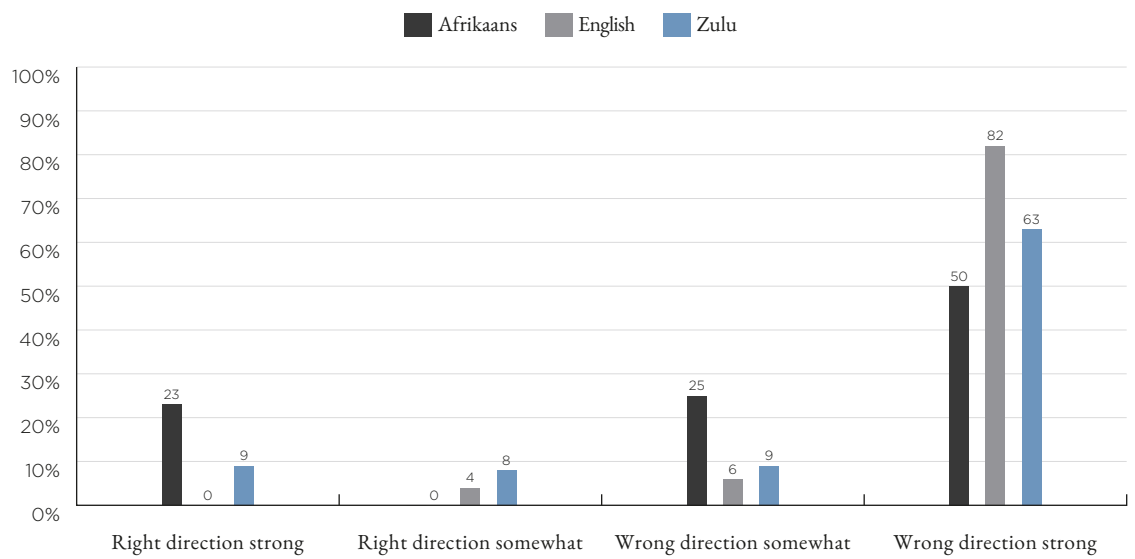
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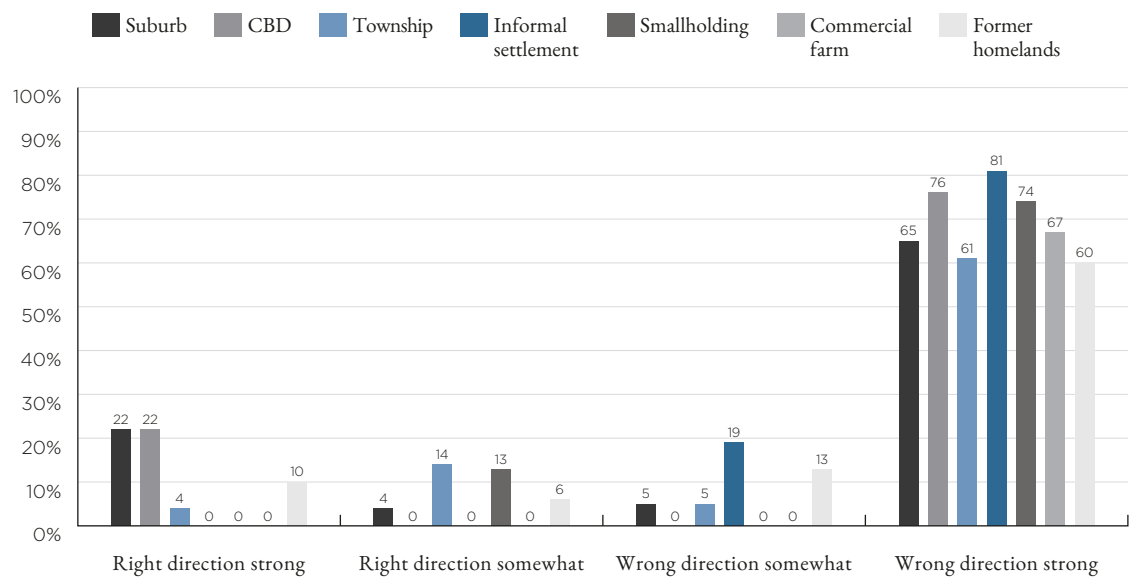
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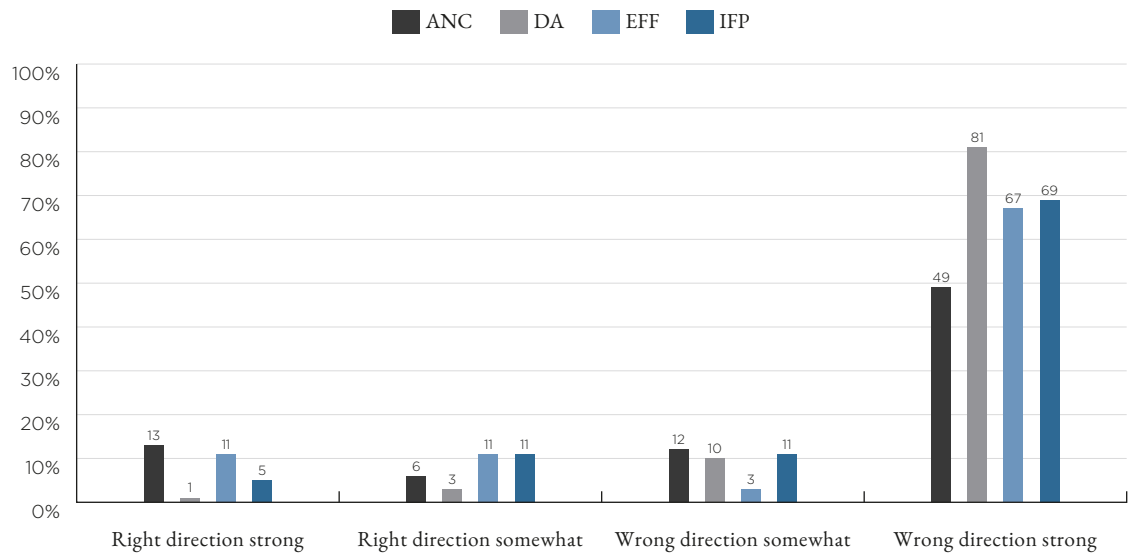
By home language



By residential area

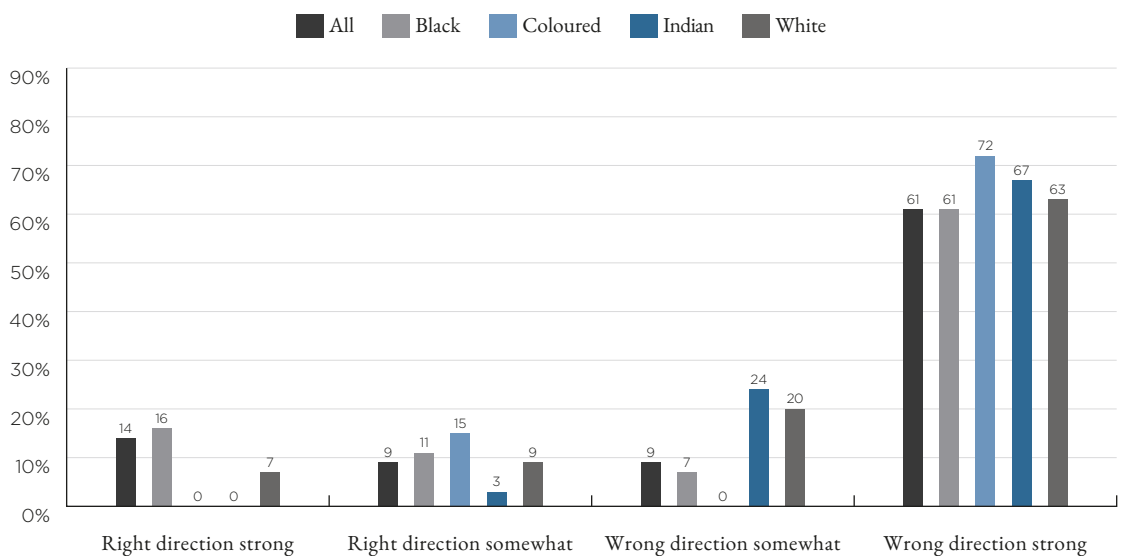


By party affiliation

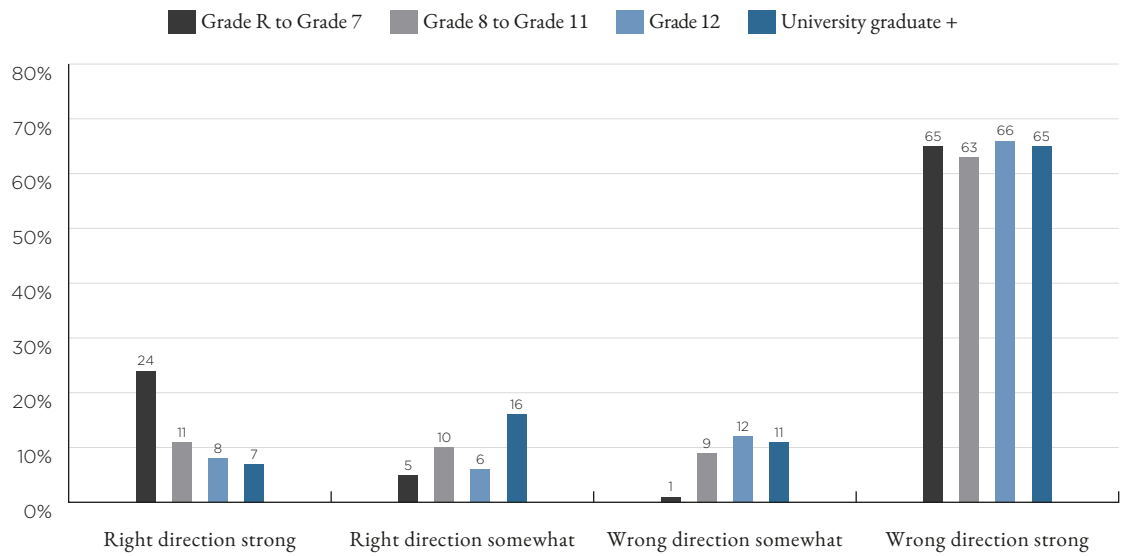


AND WHAT ABOUT IN YOUR PROVINCE? DO YOU BELIEVE THINGS IN KWAZULU-NATAL ARE GOING IN THE RIGHT OR IN THE WRONG DIRECTION?

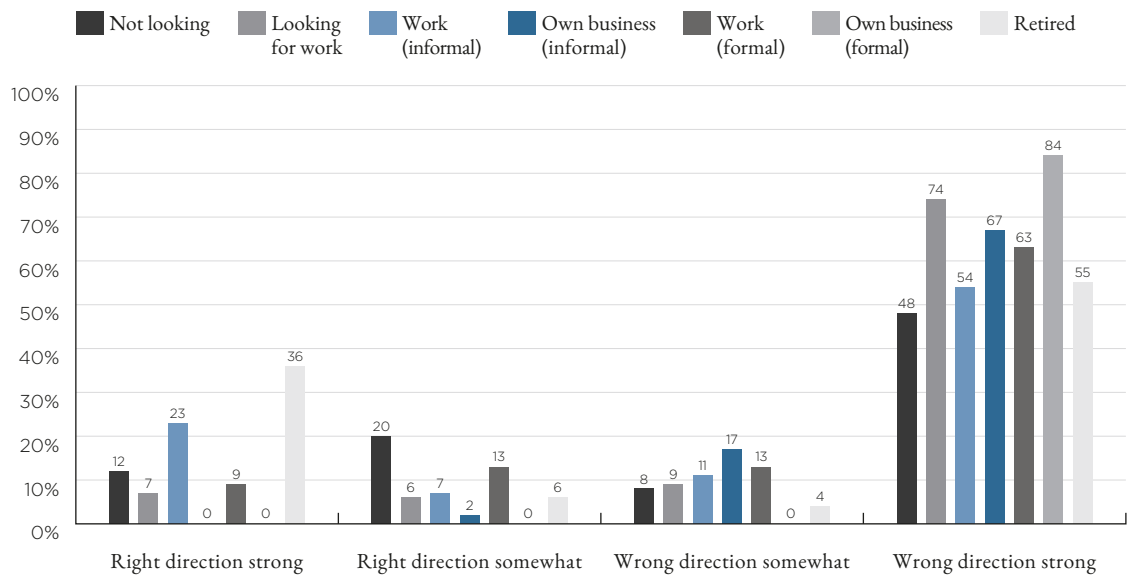
By race



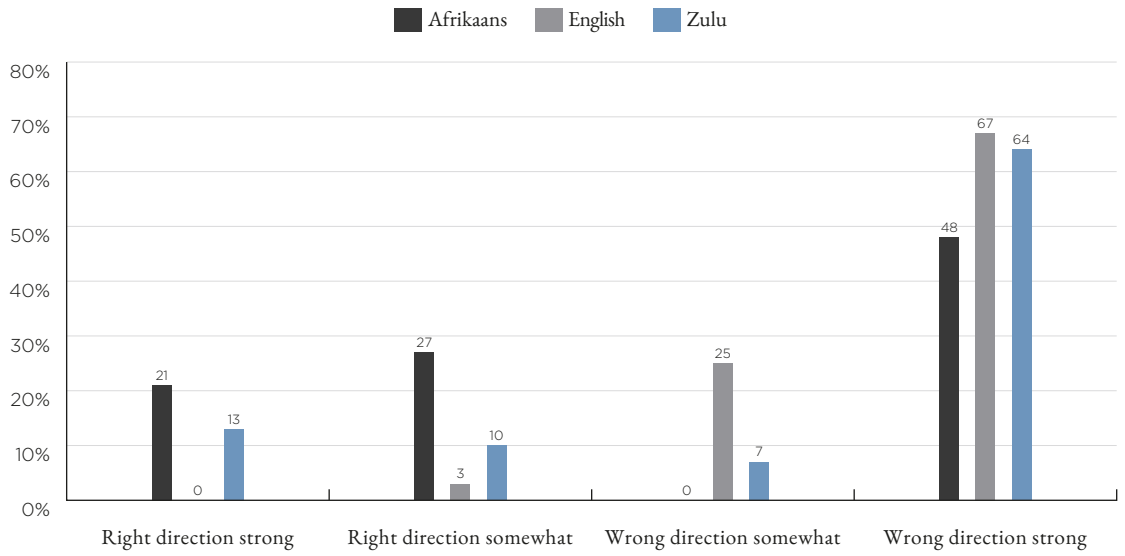
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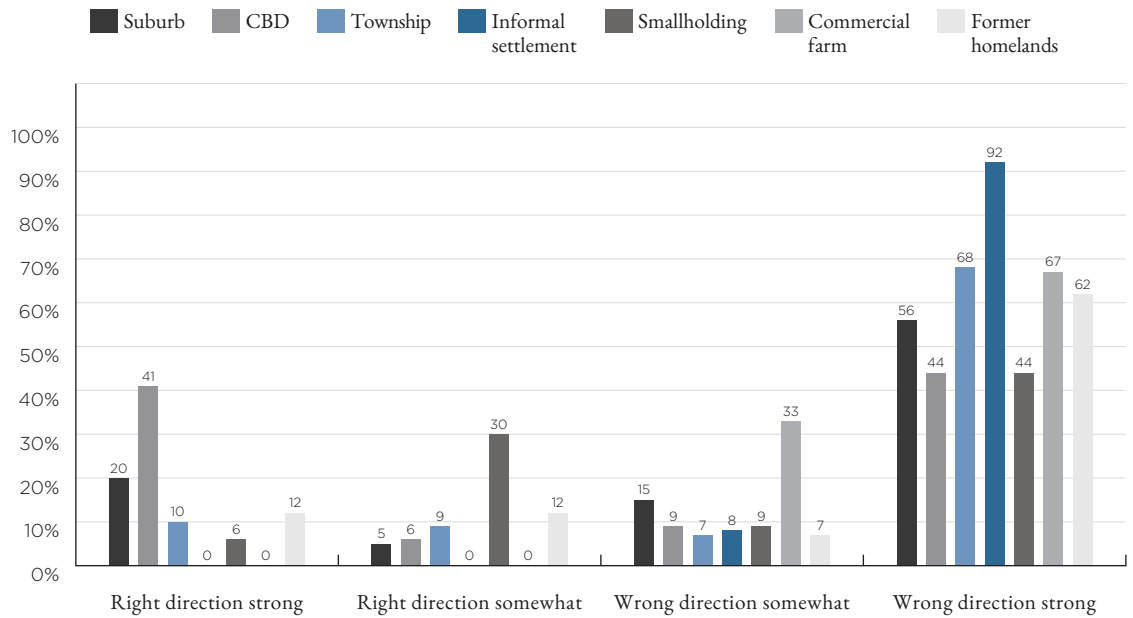
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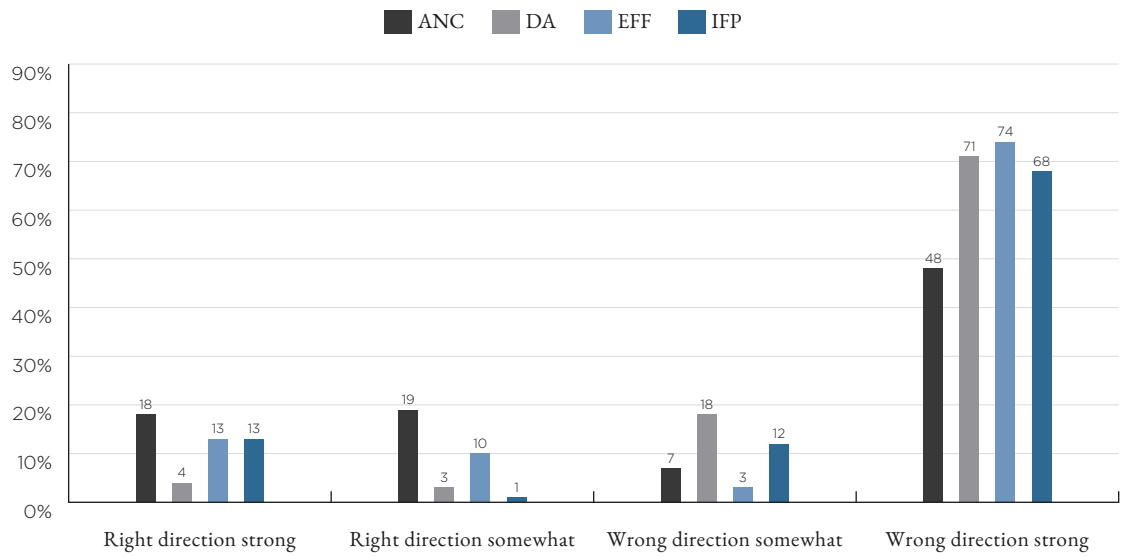
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By residential area



By party affiliation



TENTATIVE CONCLUSIONS

The data reveals that just under three quarters of registered voters in KwaZulu-Natal believe that the country is moving in the wrong direction. This finding holds across race, education, employment status, home language, residential area and party affiliation. In terms of the provincial direction of travel, there is a similar sense amongst the majority of registered voters that the province is moving in the wrong direction. Once again this finding holds across lines of race, education, employment status, home language, residential area and party affiliation. The data would seem to lend credence to an earlier Foundation report which found that support for the ruling ANC has diminished since the 2019 national election.

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