

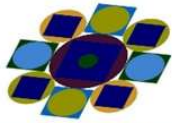
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LESOTHO ROUND 5 AFROBAROMETER NATIONAL SURVEY RESULTS

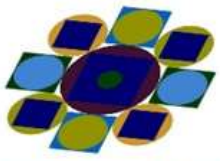
**Basotho are Optimistic about
Improved Economic Conditions**

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1. ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

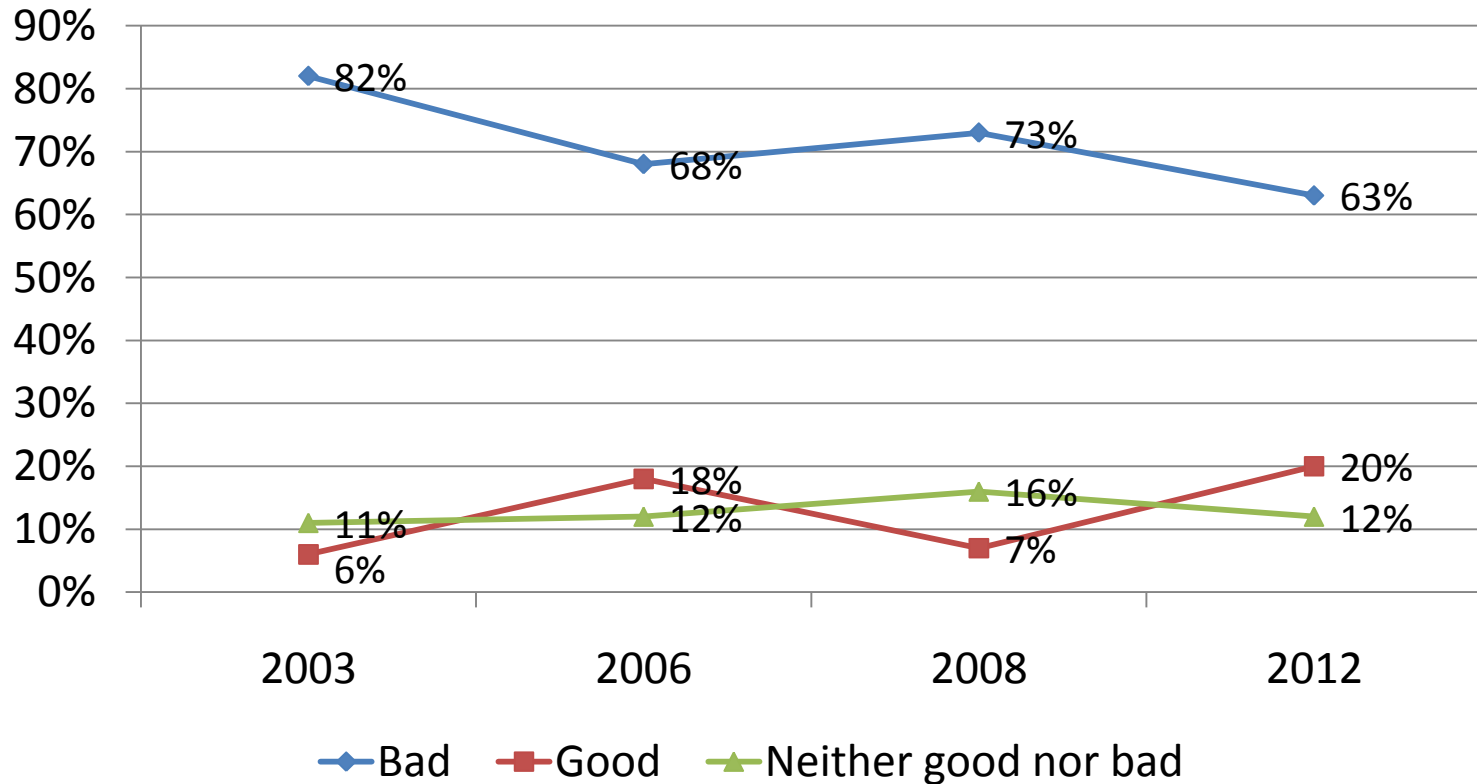
- The country's economic conditions are considered bad:
 - 63% considers them bad & 20% say they're good
- The individual conditions are also considered to be quite bad:
 - 73% considers them bad & 16% say they're good

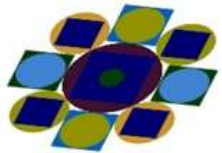


Economic Trends



How would you describe the country's economic conditions?

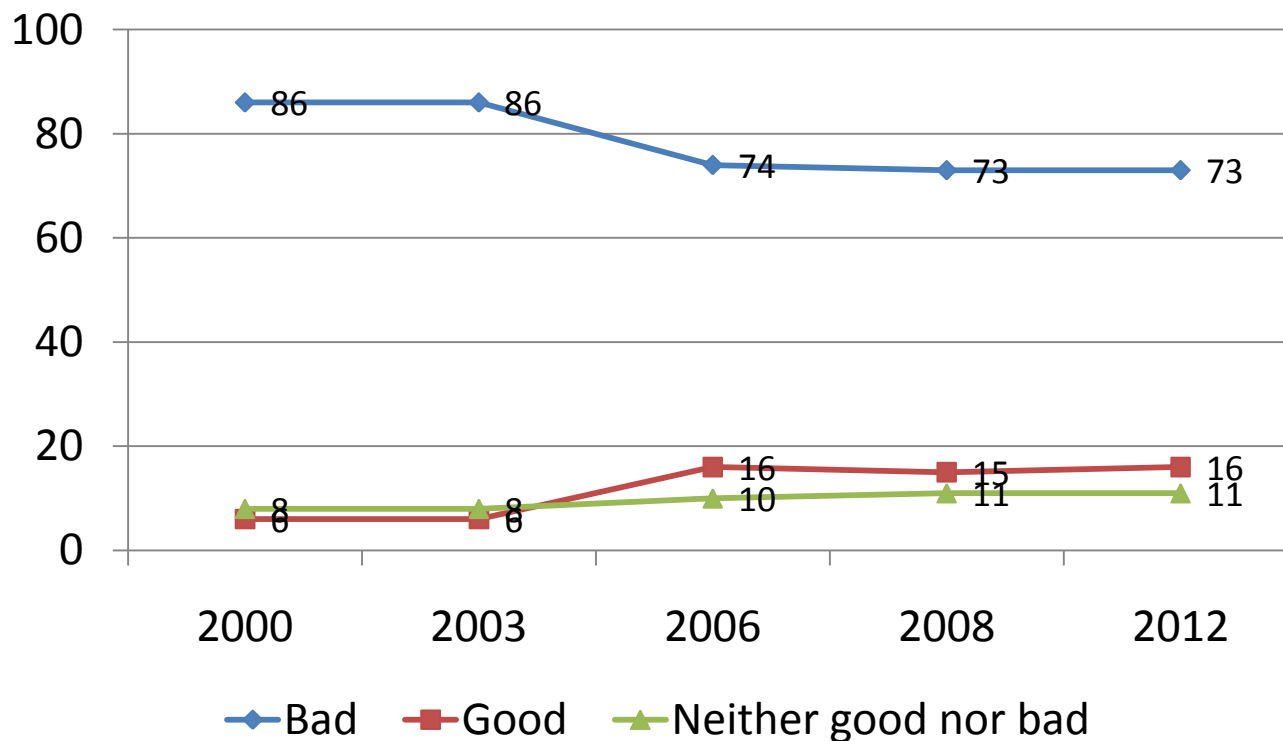


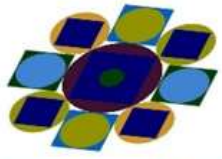


Economic Trends



How would you describe your living conditions?



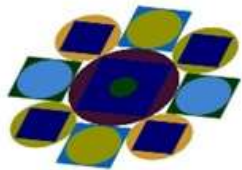


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Past Economic Conditions Compared to Present

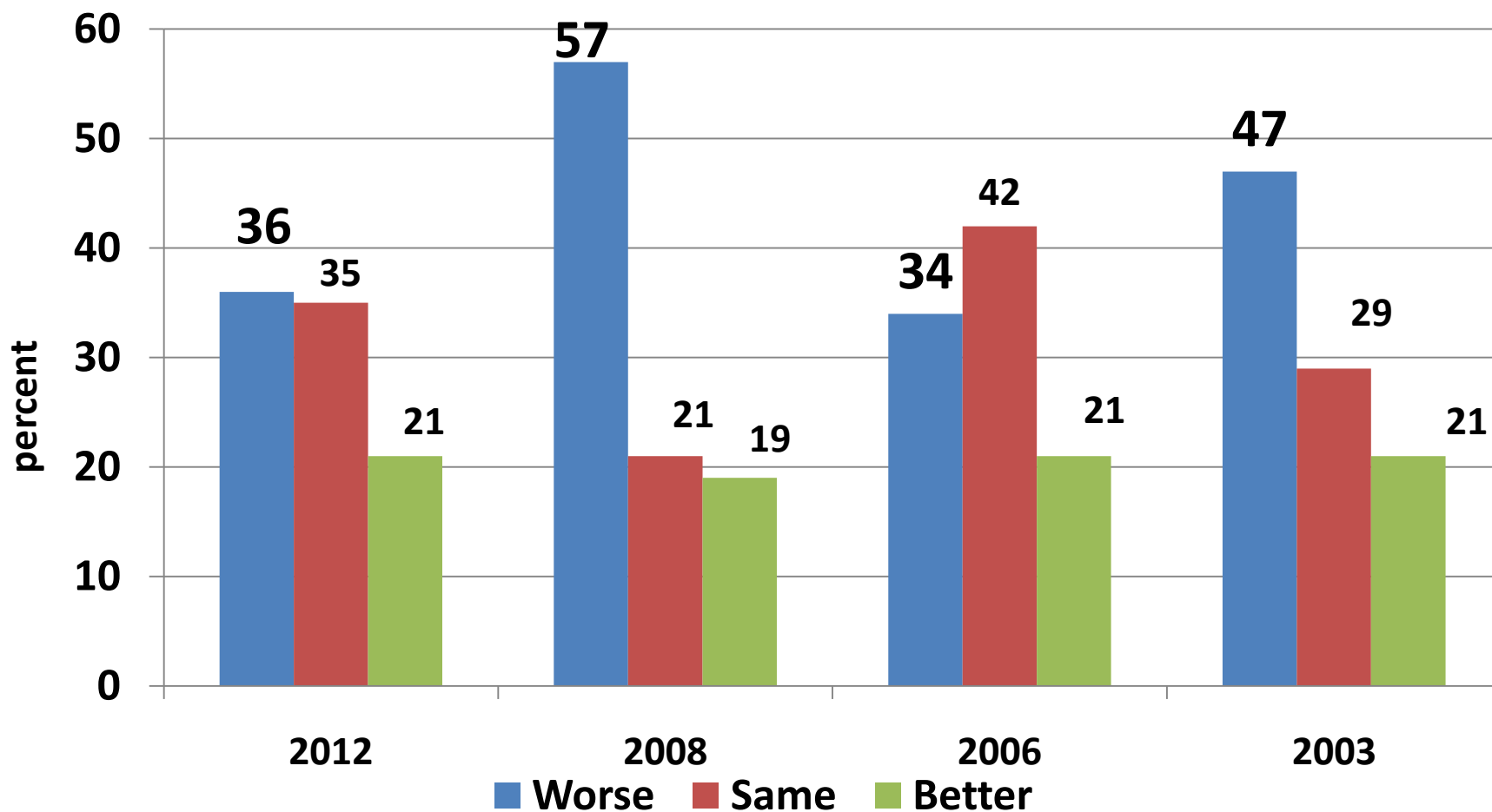


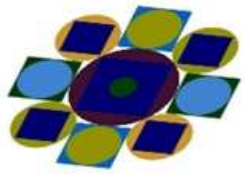
- In 2012, 36% said the country's economy was worse compared to 12 months ago v/s 57% in 2008
- In 2012, 37% regard their individual living conditions to be worse while it was 54% in 2008



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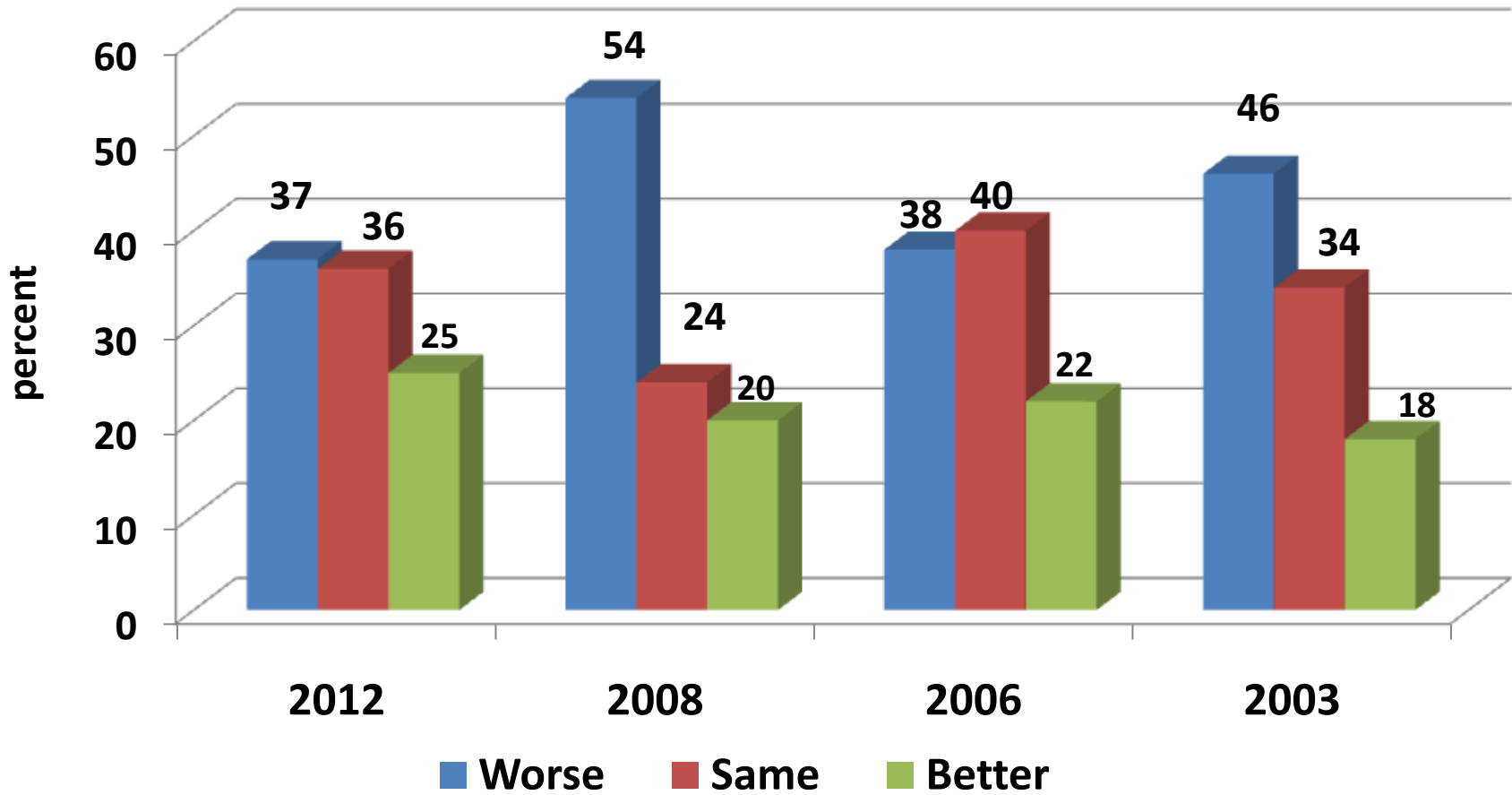
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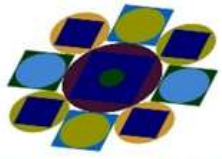




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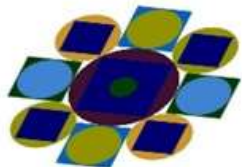




Economic Outlook

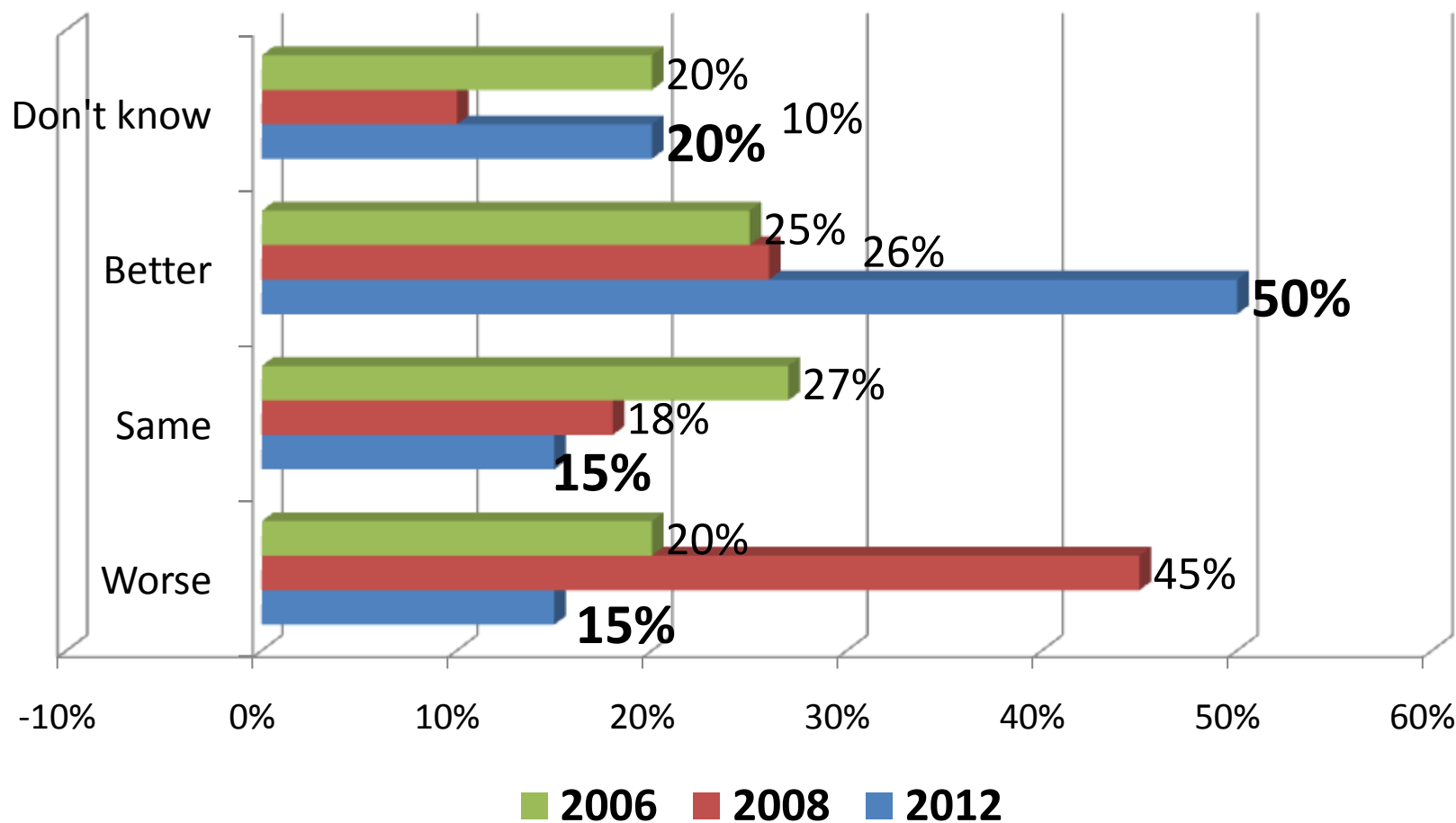


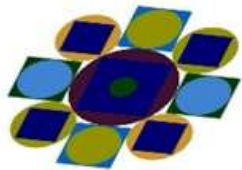
- 50% expect the country's economy to be better in the next 12 months versus 15% worse
- 45% expect their individual living conditions to be better v/s 15% worse
- 52% say the country is moving the right direction as opposed to 31 % saying it's going in the wrong direction



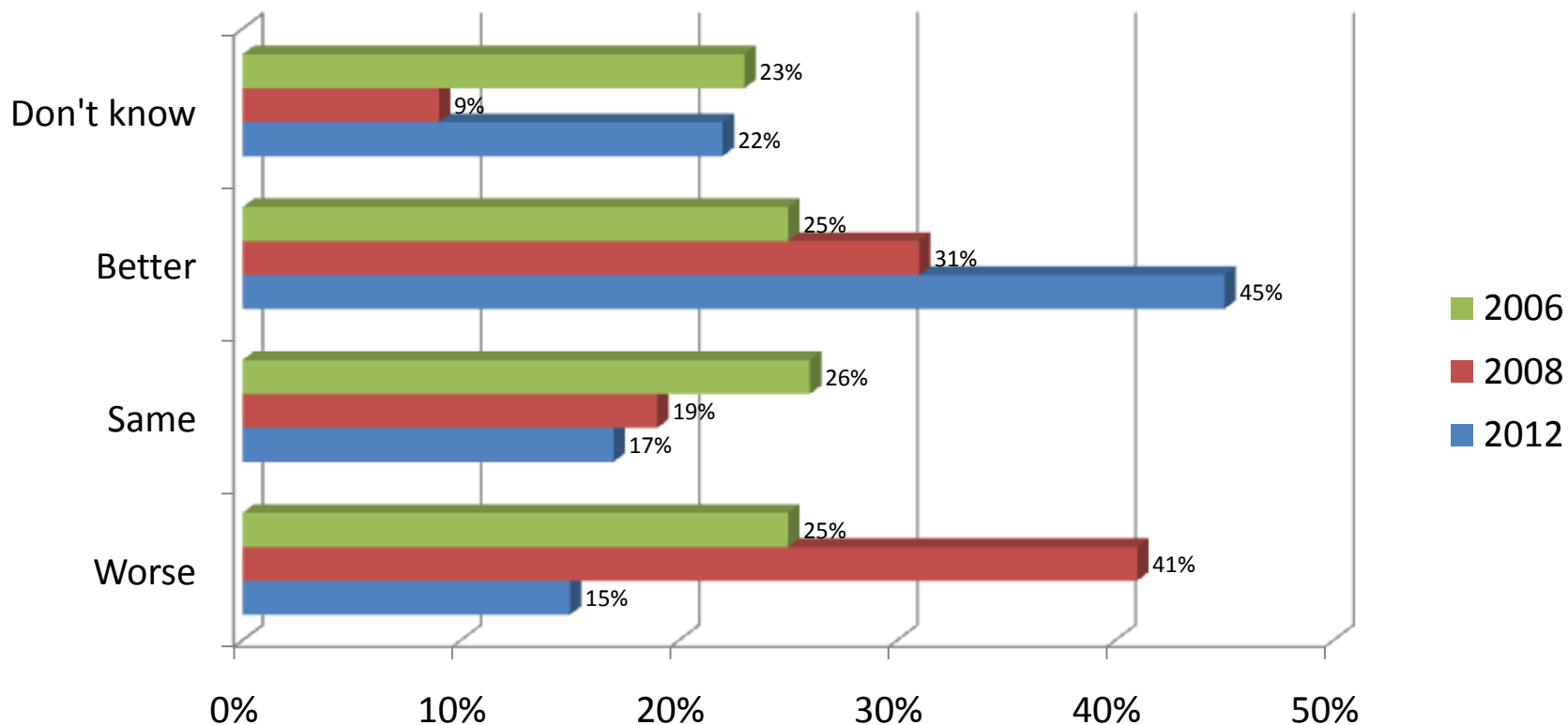
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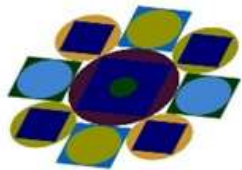
Country's economic conditions in 12 months



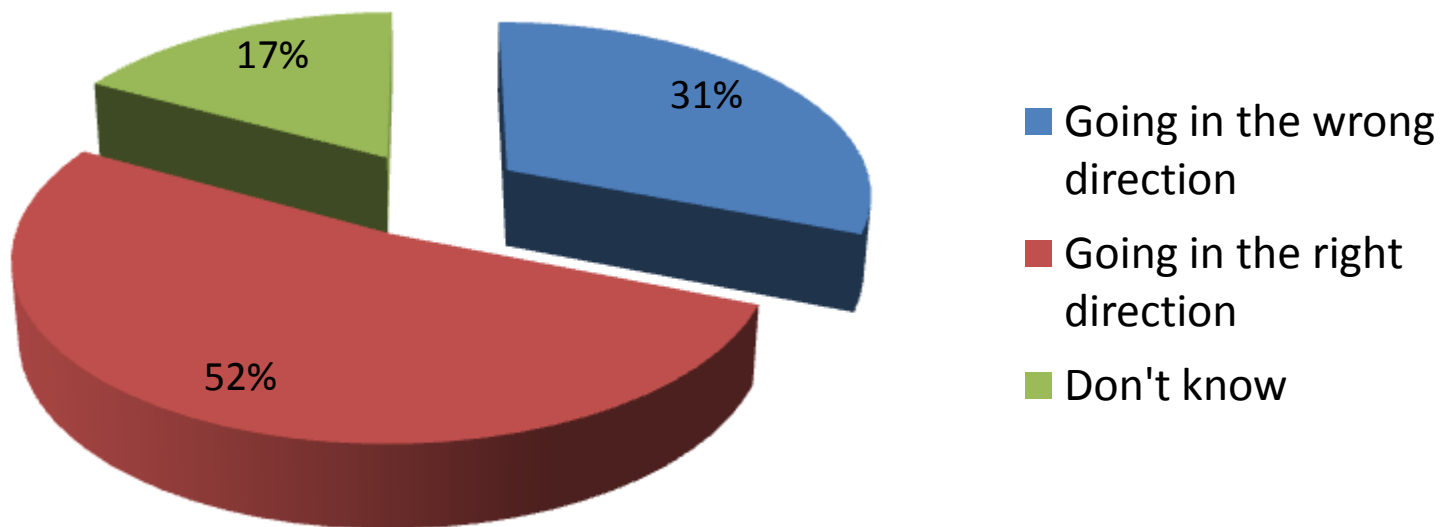


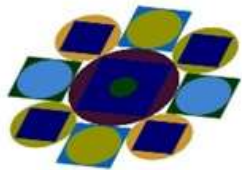
Individual Living Conditions in 12 Months Time





Overall Direction of the Country





KEY FINDINGS



- The majority of Basotho (63%) consider the economic conditions of Lesotho to be bad to fairly bad.
- Compared to past twelve (12) months as expressed in 2008, the 2012 survey results indicate a marked improvement in the economic and living conditions
- A majority of Basotho are optimistic that the economic conditions would improve in the next twelve months.
- Basotho also say the country is going in the right direction.