

# "The Iranian Challenge: Diplomatic Alternatives and Beyond"

*Questionnaire  
Conclusions*

**Round Table February 7, 2011**  
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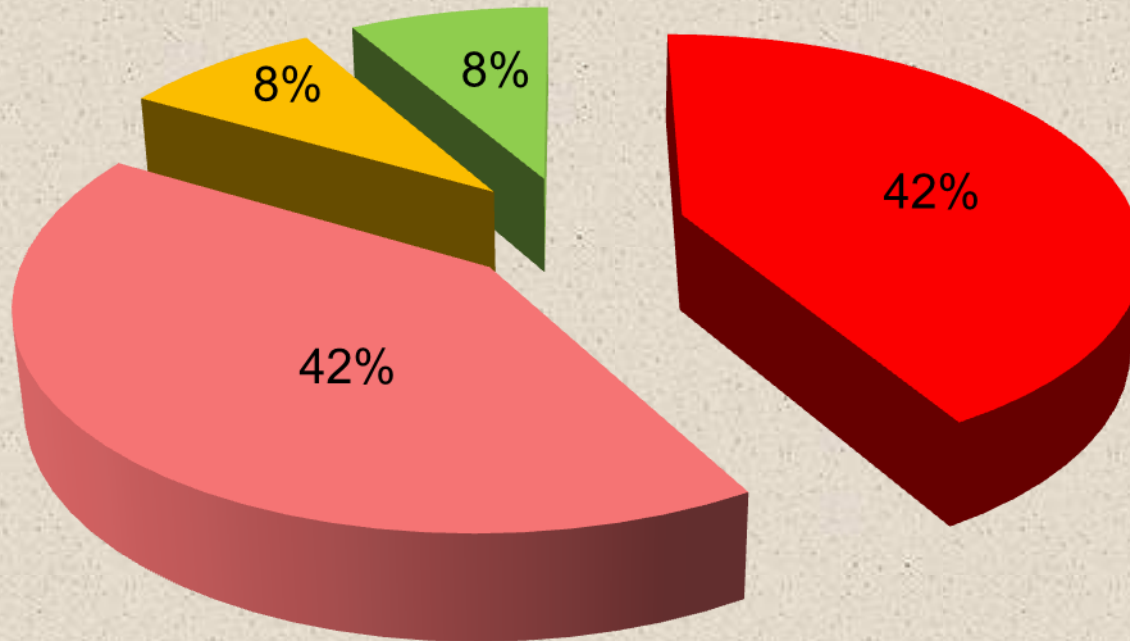
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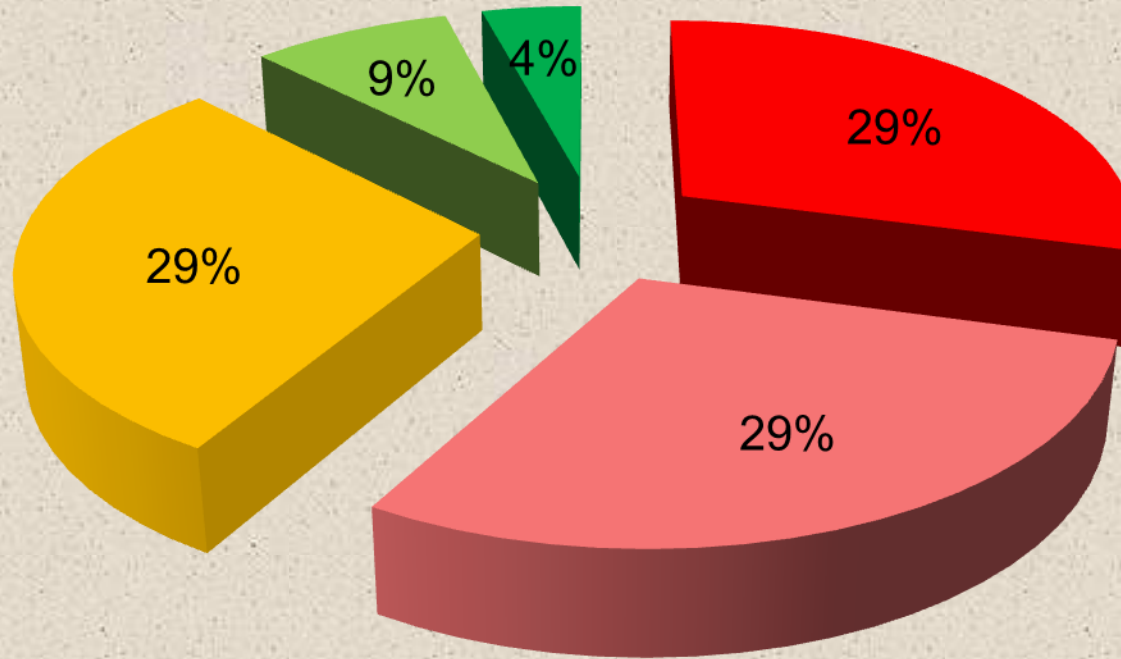
# Can the current sanctions bring about a halt of the Iranian nuclear program, before it reaches fruition?



Absolutely No=1	No=2	Undecided=3	Yes=4	Absolutely Yes=5
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Median=2; Average= 1.83; Mode=2; Standard Deviation=0.92; Total Respondants-24

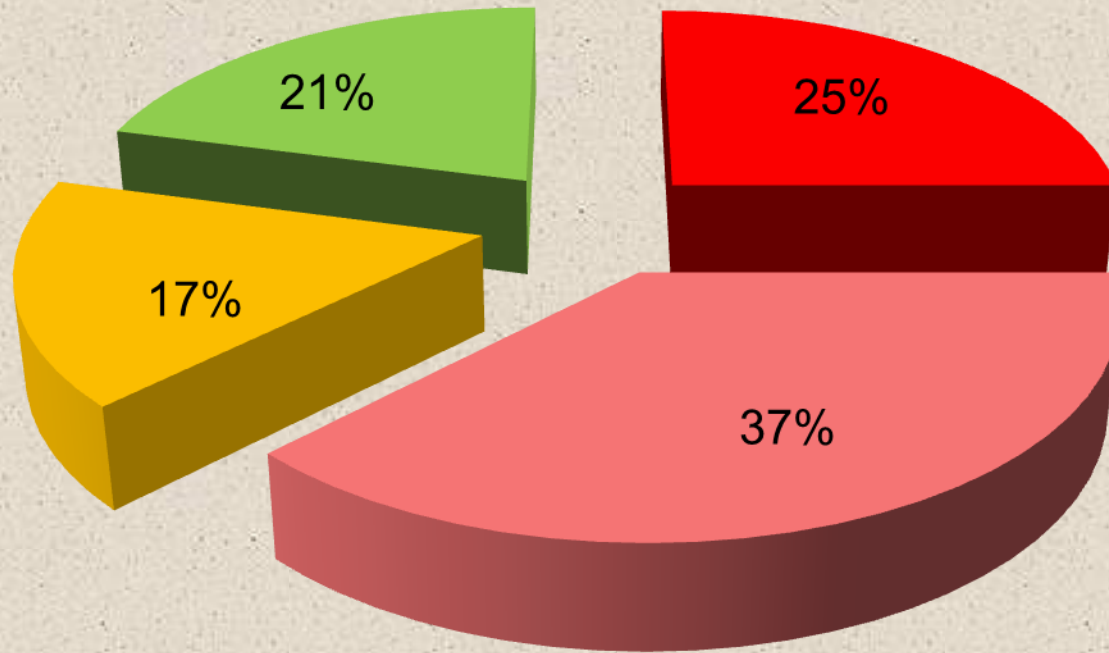
# Will increased ("biting") sanctions be capable of halting the Iranian Nuclear program?



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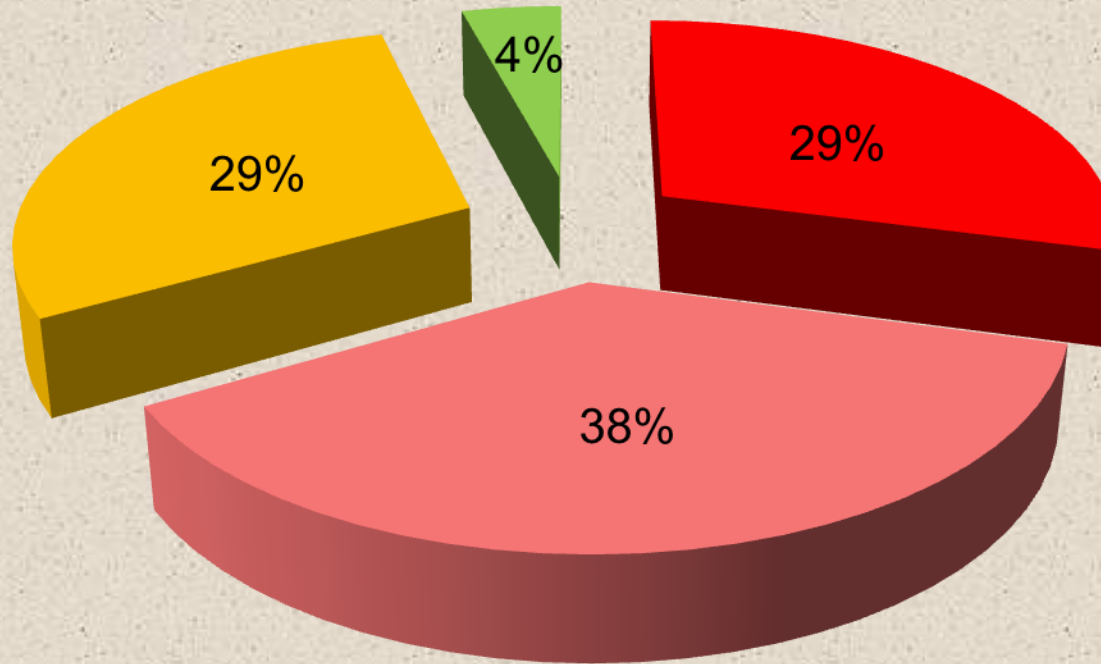
# Do the current sanctions encourage the "Green Revolution" in Iran?



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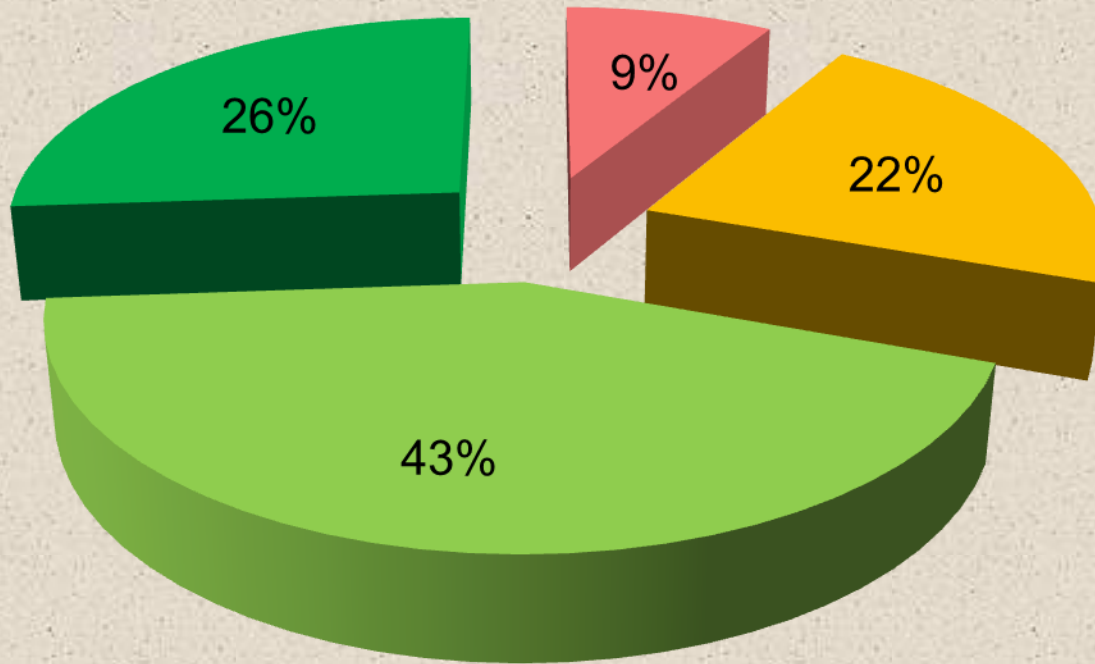
# Are the current sanctions coalescing Iranian public behind the existing leadership?



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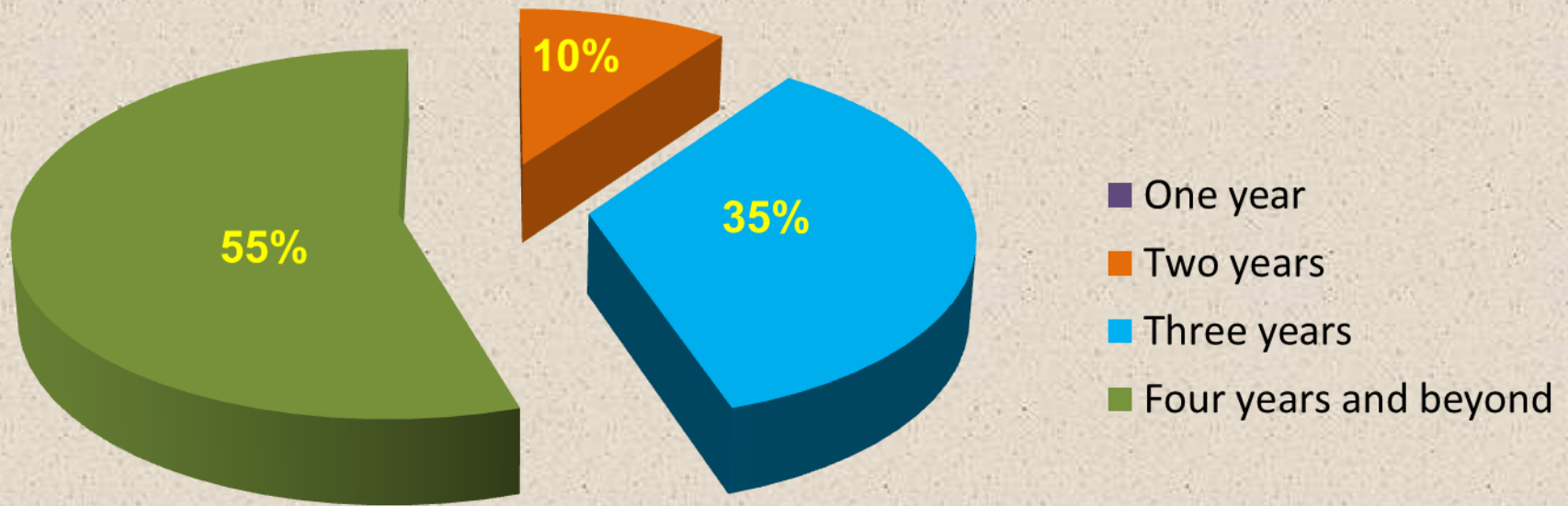
# Can military action eliminate or substantially delay the Iranian nuclear program?



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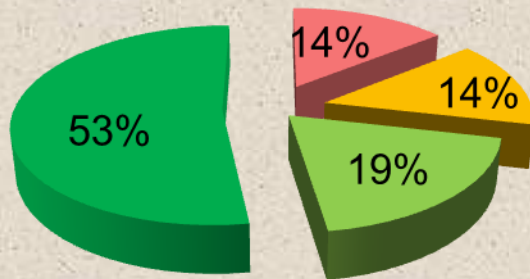
# What is the scope of the delay that Israeli or American military action might cause?



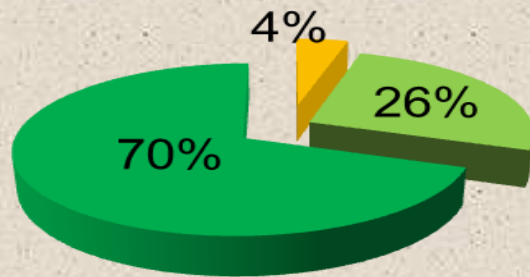
# Iranian reaction to a military action

## Israeli Action

Missile Attacks

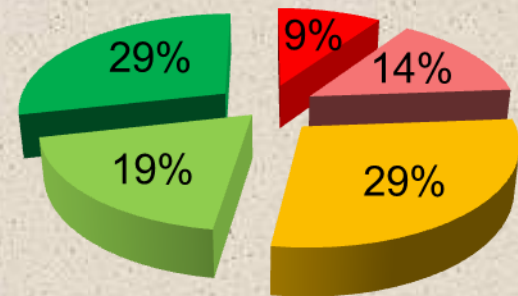


Gaza and Lebanon

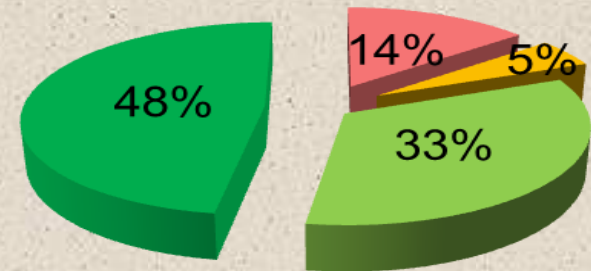


## Non Israeli Action

Missile Attacks



Gaza and Lebanon



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Undecided=3

Yes=4

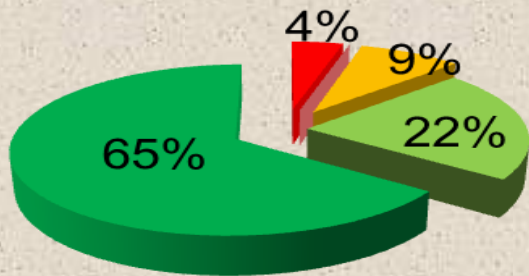
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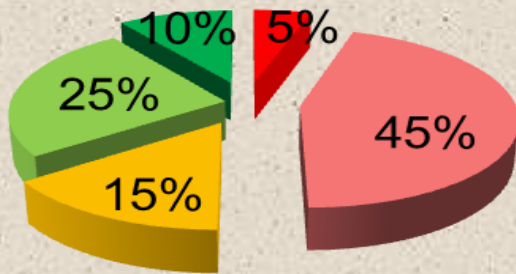
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## Israeli Action

Israeli targets abroad

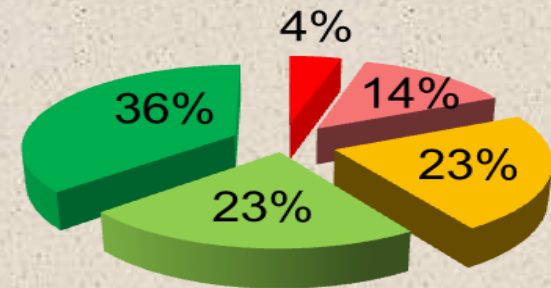


Hostilities in Gulf

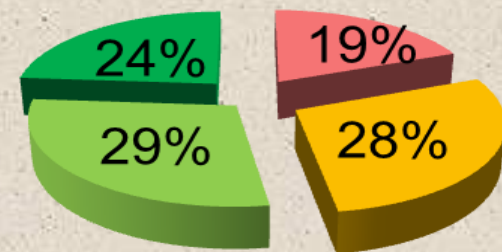


## Non Israeli Action

Israeli targets abroad



Hostilities in Gulf



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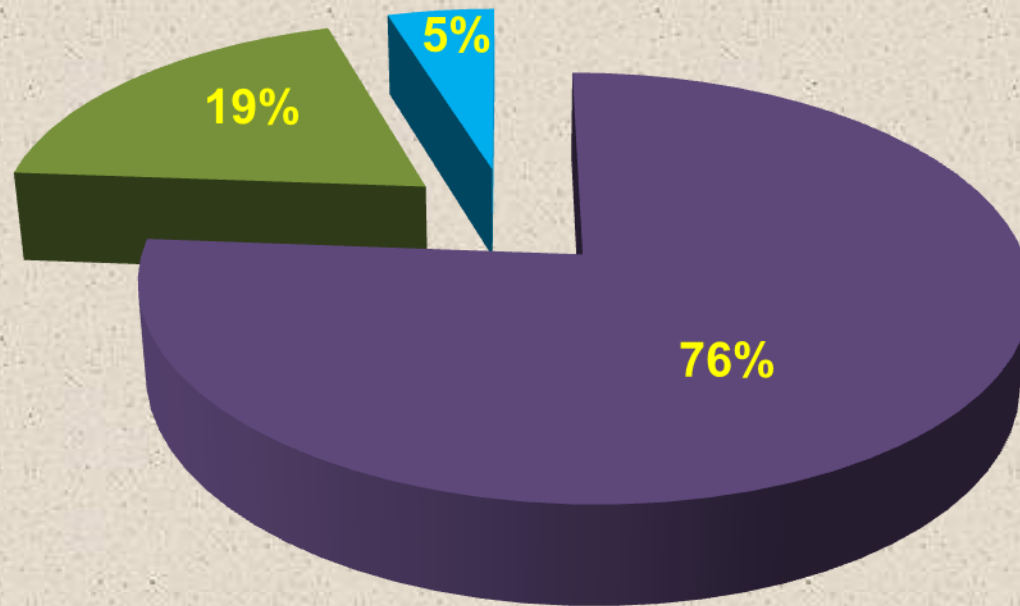
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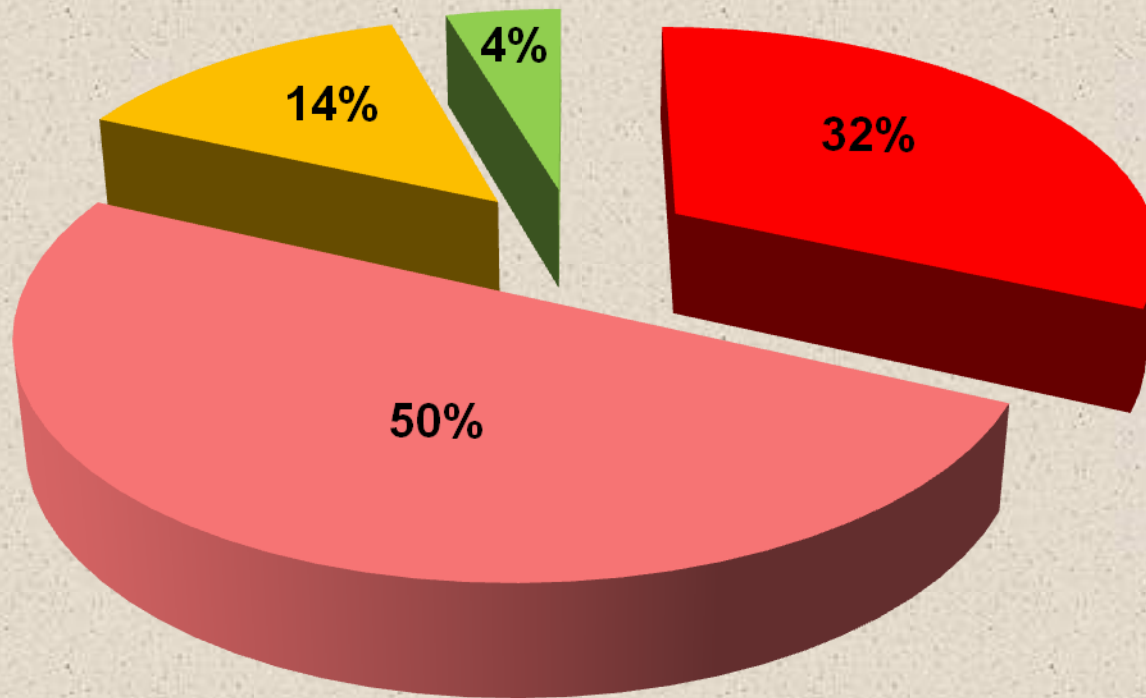
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# How should Israel respond to a nuclear Iran?



- Retain its ambiguity policy
- Declare nuclear capability
- Initiate steps for the implementation of a Middle Eastern WMD Free Zone?

# Can American Assurances/Cold War Mechanisms prevent Further Nuclearization in the ME?



Absolutely No=1

No=2

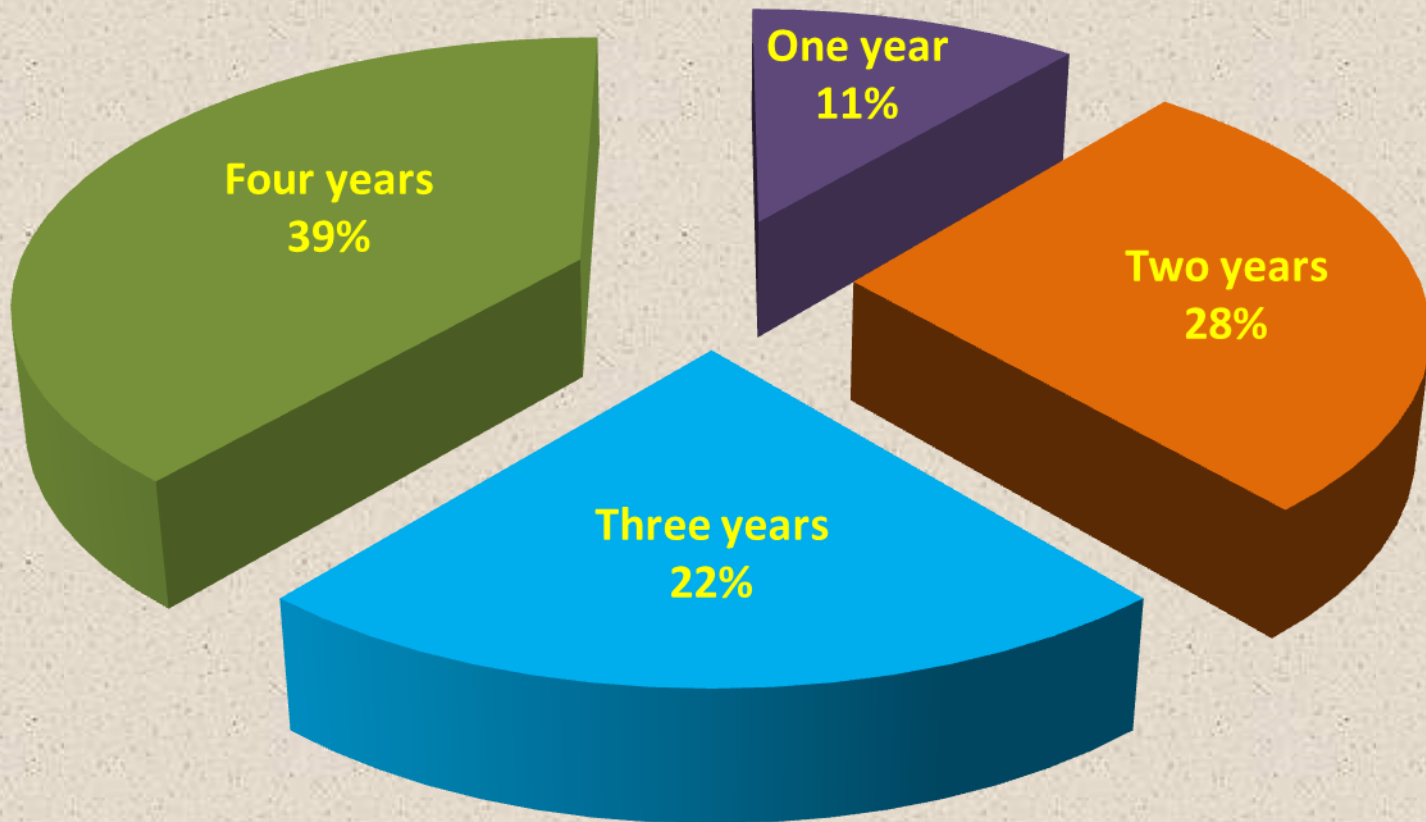
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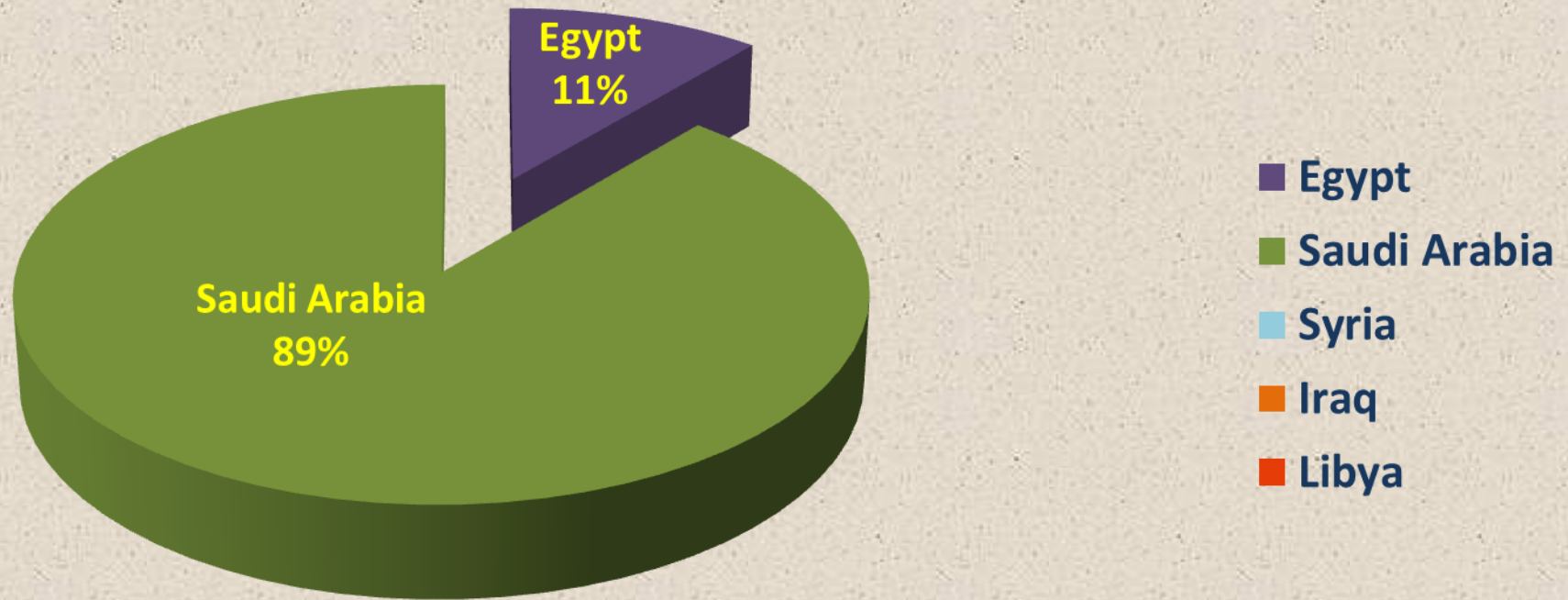
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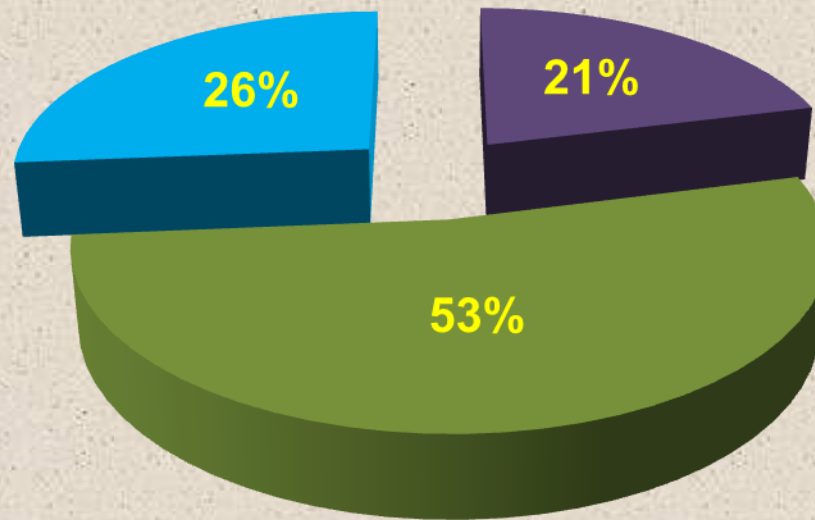
**From the point of breakout by Iran - how long would it take for additional nuclear state to appear in the Middle East?**



# Which country will go nuclear after Iran?



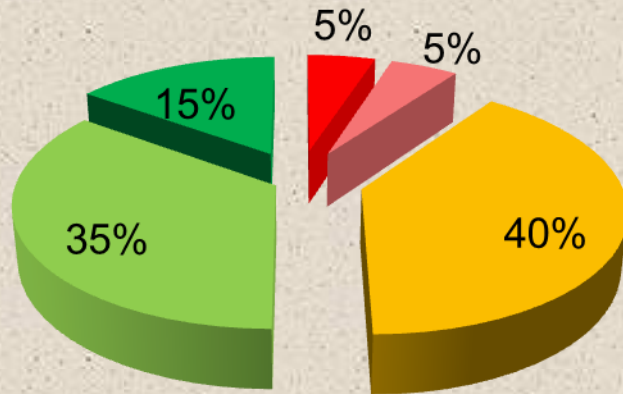
# What will Iran's Nuclear Posture be?



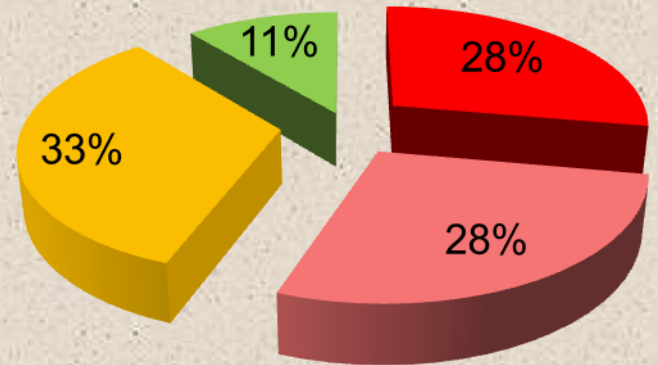
- Maintain "nuclear ambiguity", similar to Israel
- Conduct a nuclear test and declare it (like India)
- Maintain maximum secrecy and deny its continued pursuit of nuclear weapons while expanding its arsenal

# Is Iran likely to use nuclear weapons?

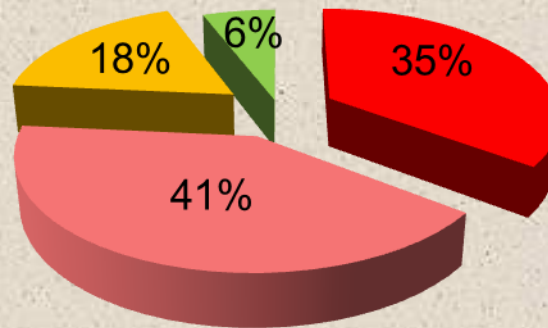
crisis, brinkmanship ,  
escalation



"First Strike"



Unauthorized use by radical elements



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