



# KAP Surveys on Family Relations among Najdeh Beneficiaries

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# Outline

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# Association Najdeh – an overview

- A Lebanese NGO
- **Target population:** mostly Palestinian refugees
- **Mission:** empowerment of women
- **Programs include:**
  - *Vocational training*
  - *Literacy*
  - *Preschool education*
  - *income generation* for women through embroidery,
  - *Social Program includes* reproductive health project (RH).

# Location of Study Population



Source: [www.un.org/unrwa](http://www.un.org/unrwa)

- ▲ Not included in study
- G Gathering

# Najdeh Domestic Violence Project 2000-2003

- Action Research – prevalence, KAPs
- Capacity building of Najdeh staff
- Awareness raising for communities
- Developing community skills to prevent & alleviate DV
- Counseling centers

# Study Objectives

## Research Objectives:

- To compare KAPs of family relations among a sample of the target population of Najdeh prior to and following the Najdeh flagship domestic violence project.
- DV is considered an indicator of family relations

## Operational Objectives:

- To assess indications of the impact of the DV project on Najdeh beneficiaries
- To explore community needs for interventions

# Methods 1

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## Data Sources:

- A stratified random sample of 301 households of beneficiaries of Najdeh services for the year 2000 (total of 2025 families), by region
- # of individual respondents in KAP1= 1064
- # of individual respondents in KAP2 = 954

# Methods -2

## Data Collection:

- Interviewers predominantly Najdeh staff
- Five data collection teams:
  - 1 supervisor, 3 interviewers covering 5 areas
- Person-to-person interviews
- Instruments:
  - household questionnaire
  - individual questionnaire.
- Interviewers were trained prior to both surveys

# Methods - 3

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## Data Analysis:

Descriptive,

- Frequency distributions
- Cross tabulations

# Results – Outline

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- Socio-demographic Profile
- KAP Profile of DV plus variation by region

# Population Profile

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- Relatively young: almost half respondents between 15 – 24 years
- Low income: 400 USD and below
- Large families: median family size =7
- Mostly intermediate level of education

# Some Highlights of Results -1

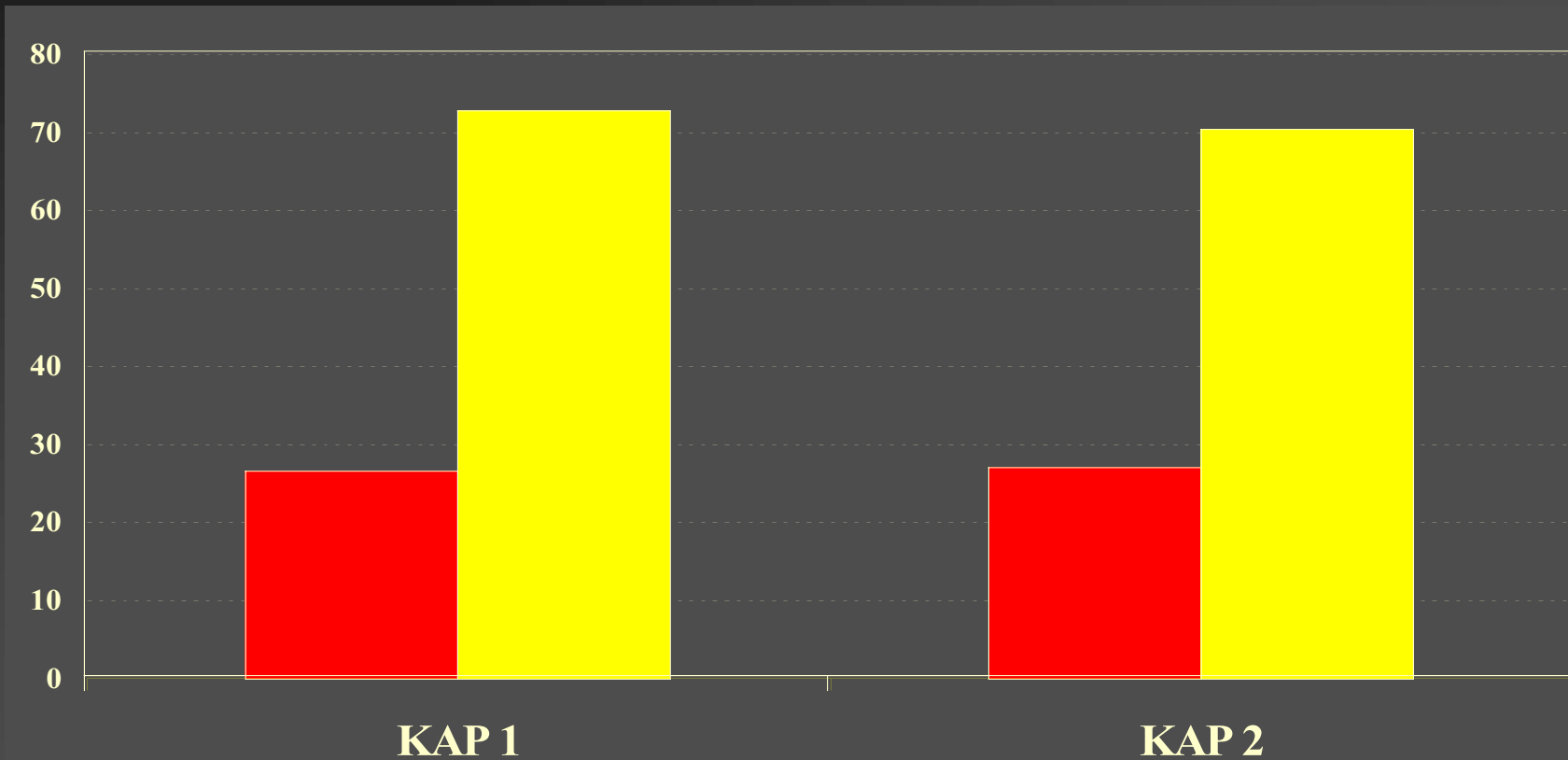
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- Increased reporting of domestic violence
- A sizable decrease in the proportion disagreeing with the statement on the right of women not to be harmed
- Most respondents give women and men equal rights in decision-making in family matters

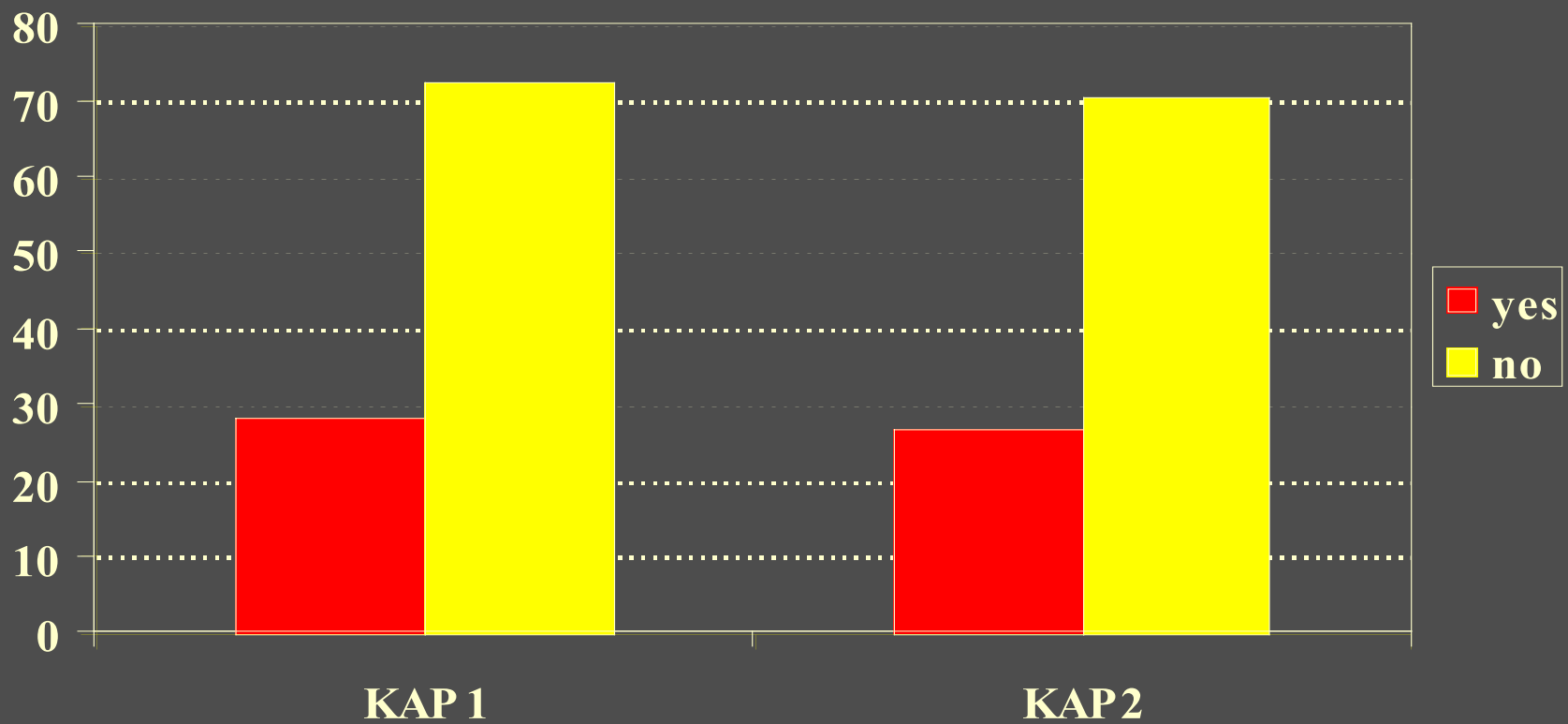
# Some Highlights of Results - 2

- Increase in dialogue and decrease in shouting as preferred methods of managing disagreements
- More agree to the statement ‘nothing justifies hitting women’
- Stable general pattern of the knowledge variables
- Evidence of interaction among domestic violence workshops participants and of further dissemination of information.

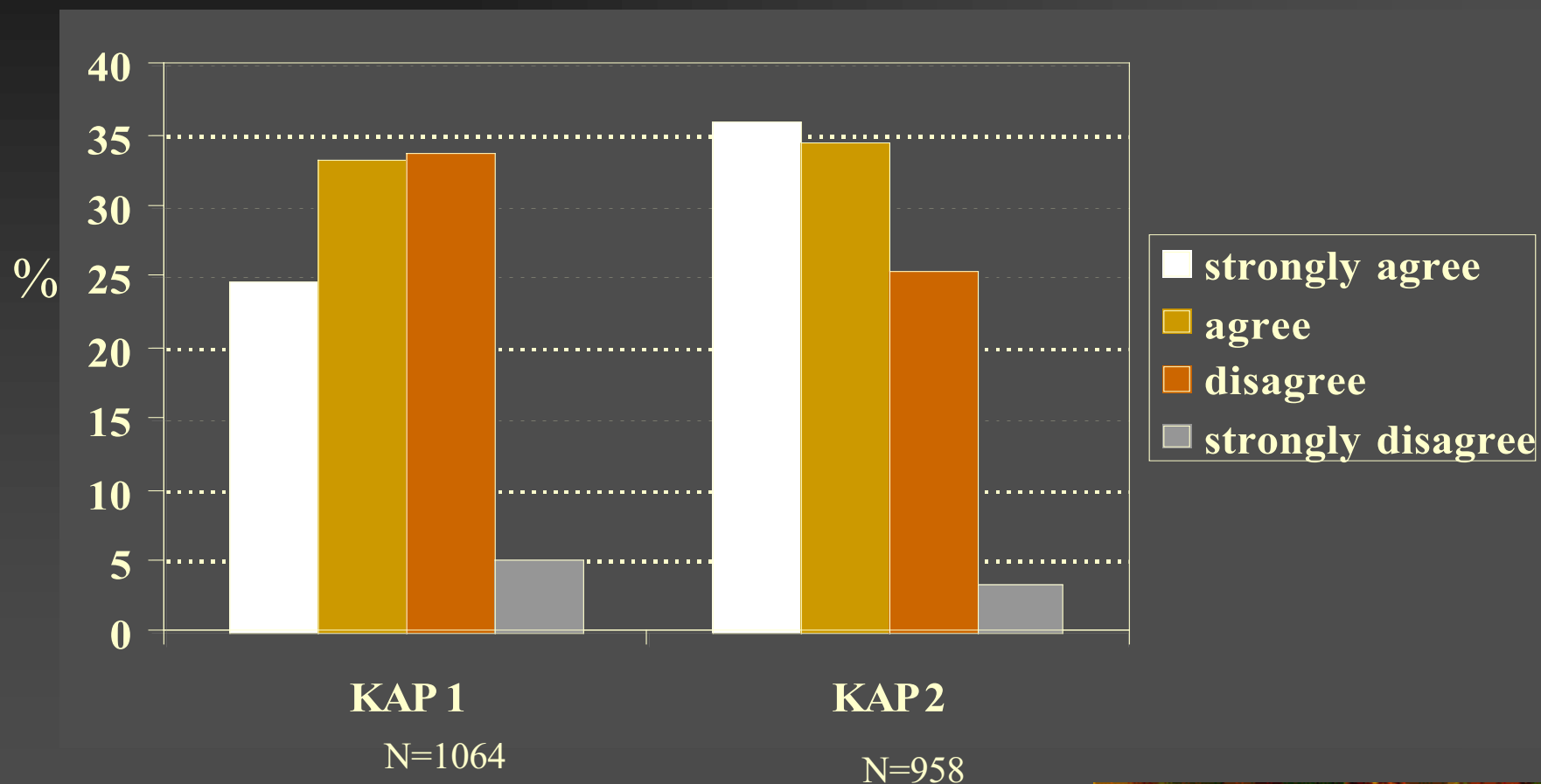
# Knowledge of declaration on eliminating all forms of discrimination against women



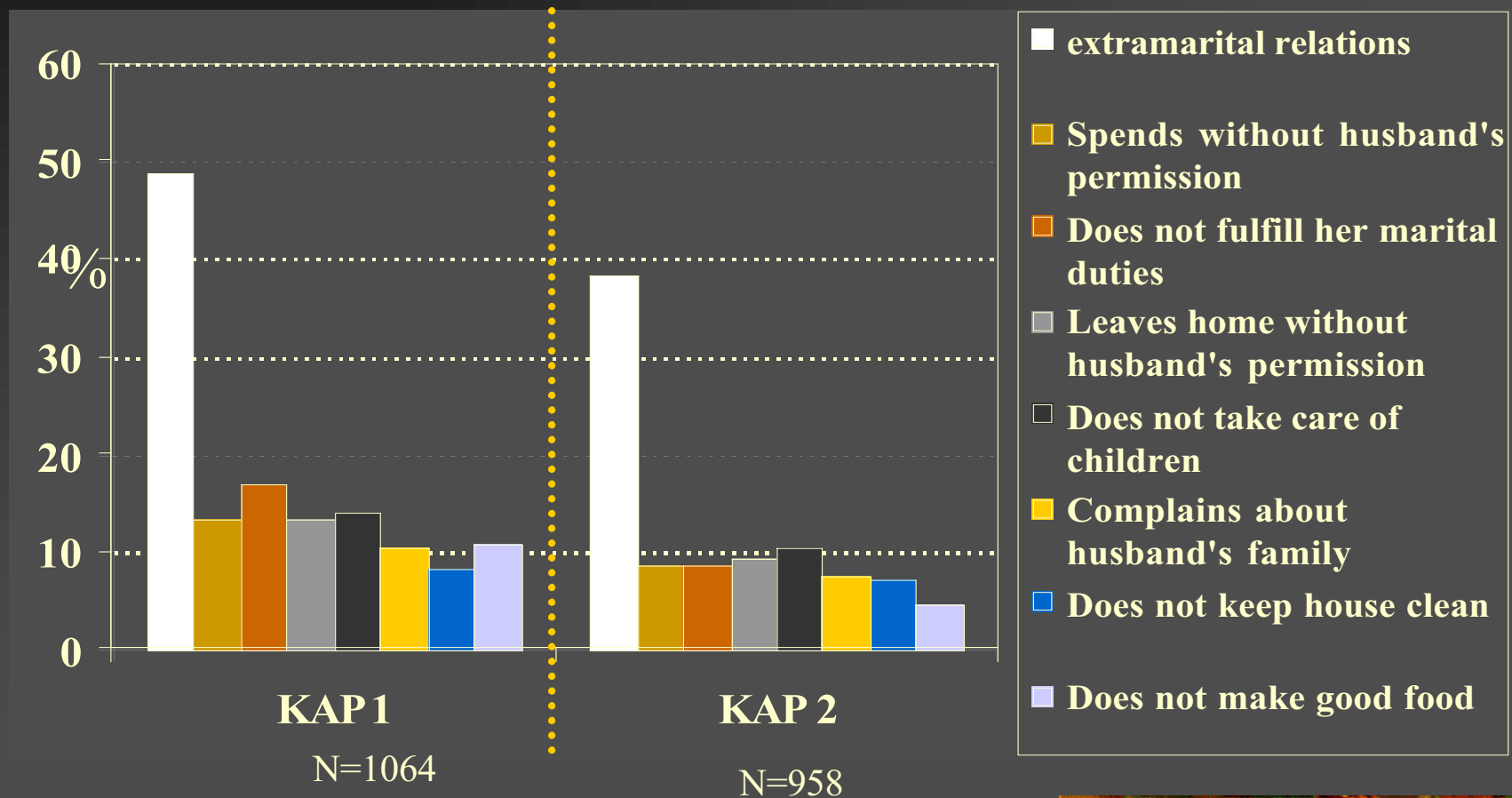
# Knowledge about CEDAW



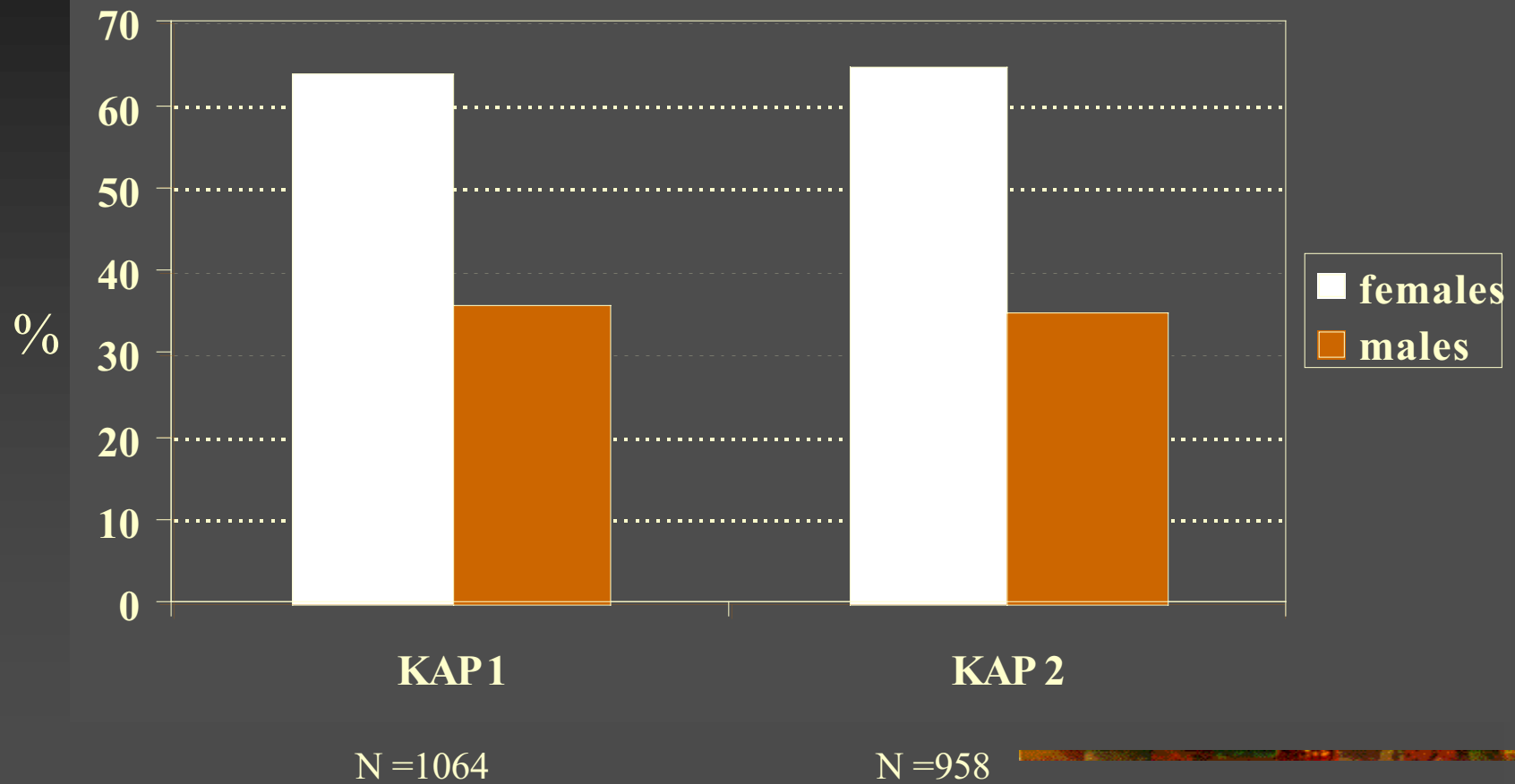
# Agreement with statement – ‘nothing justifies hitting a wife, a daughter or a sister’



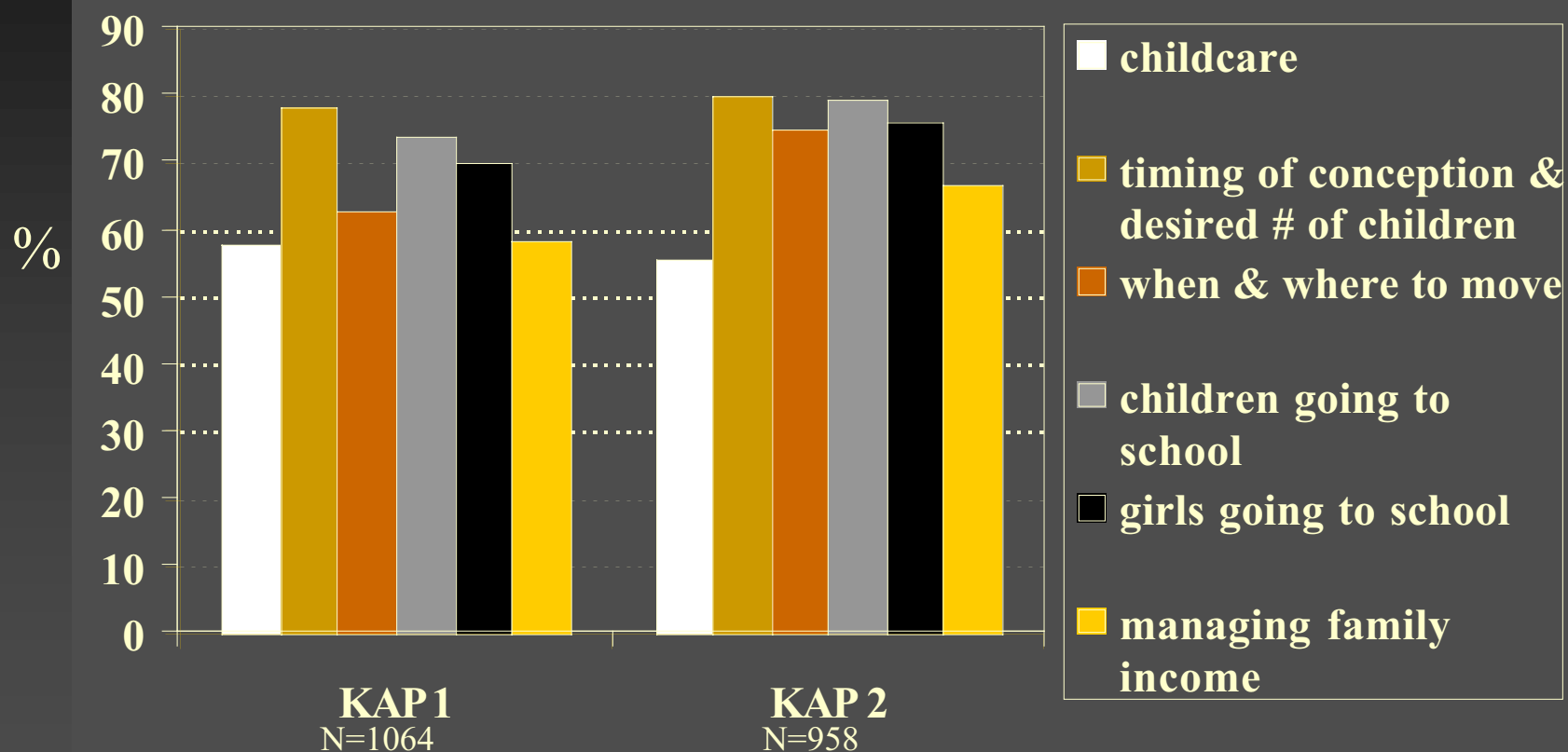
# Justifying Hitting a married woman



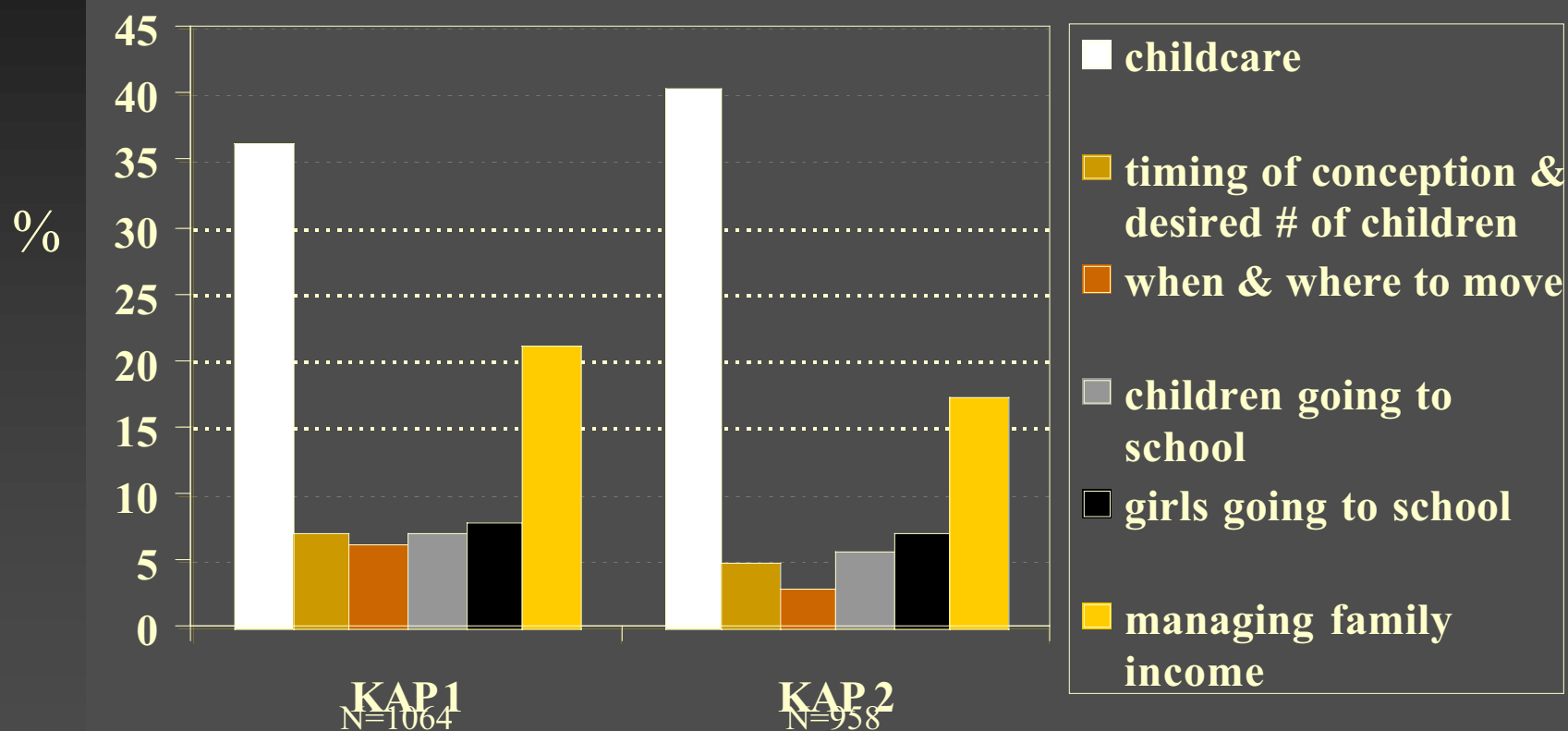
## Agreement by respondents on justifying hitting of a married woman because of extramarital relations – gender variation



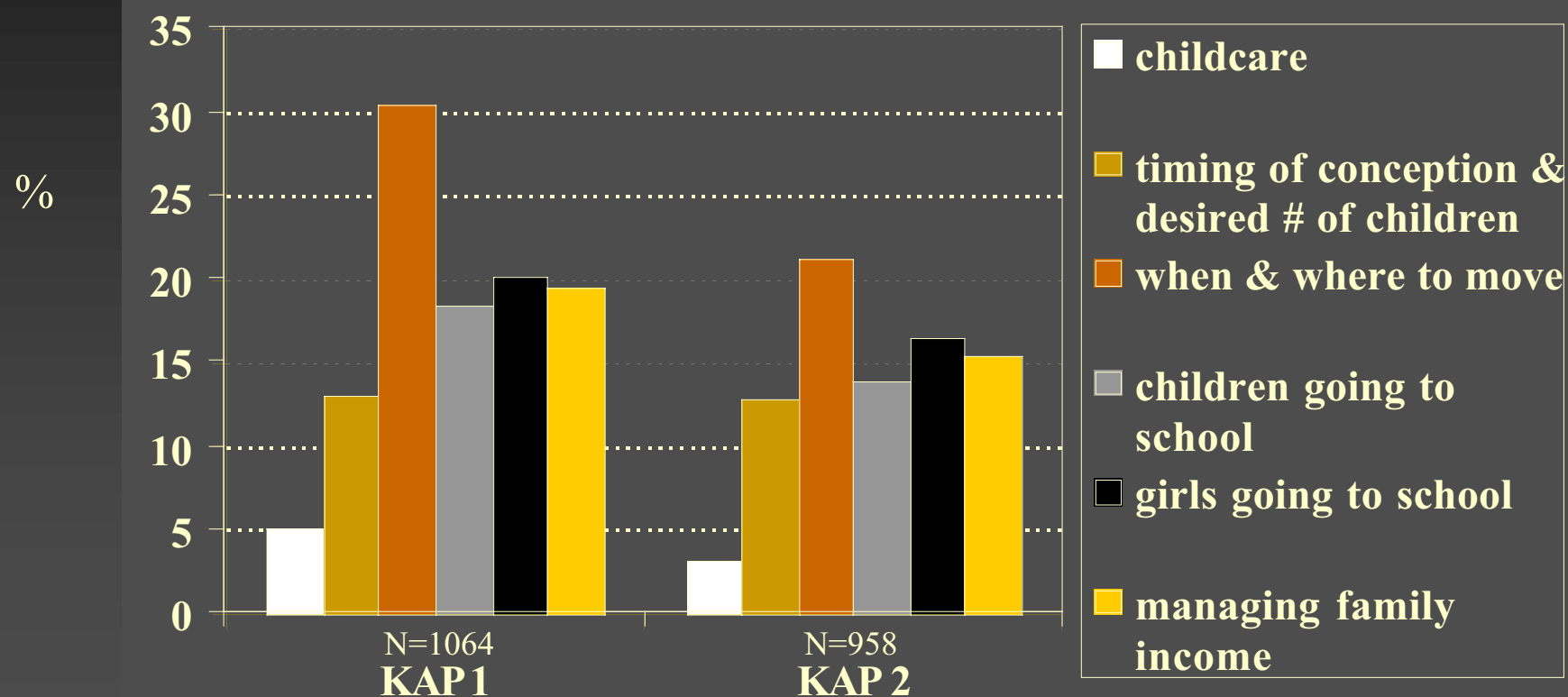
# Rights of women to share in decision-making in the family: equal share between men & women



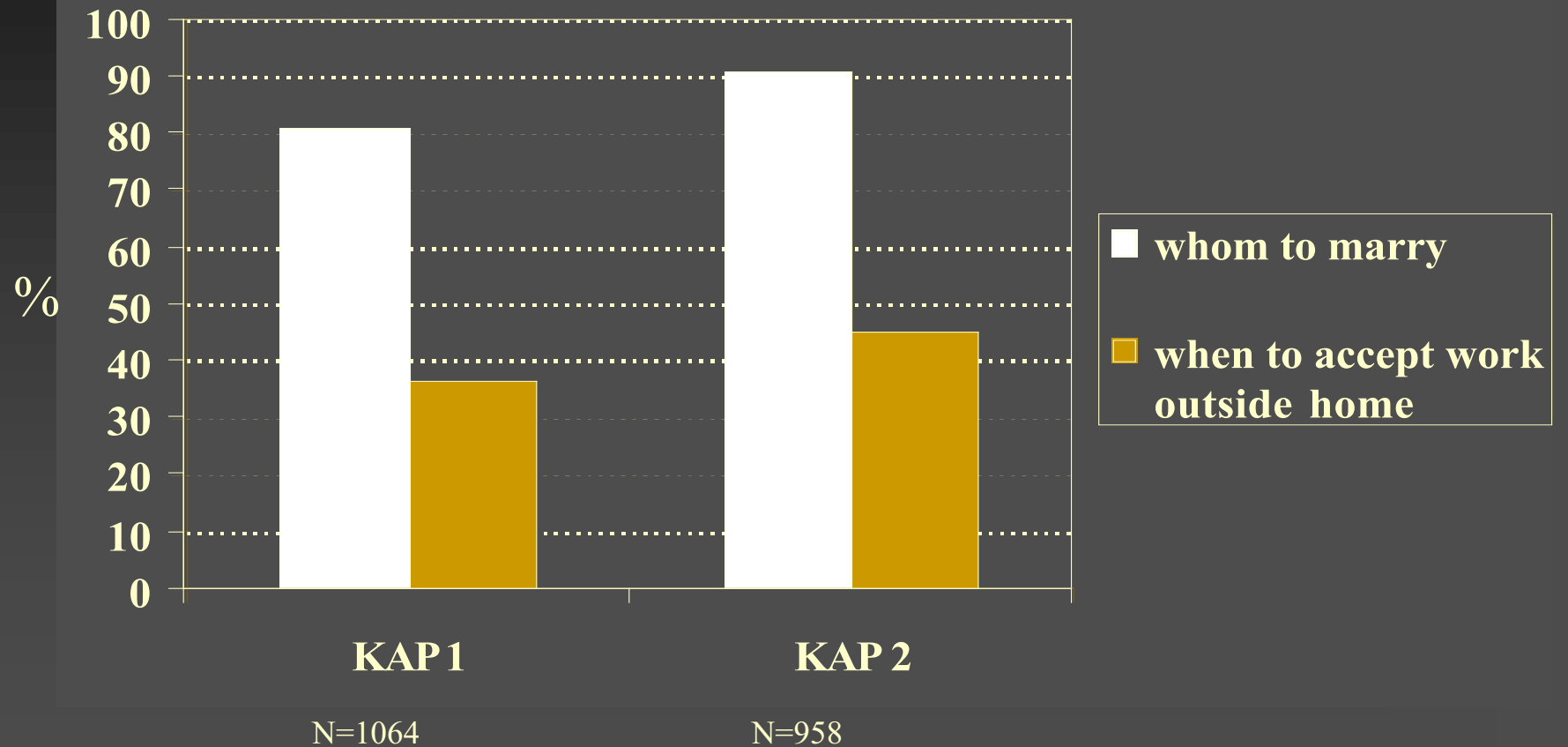
## Rights of women to share in decision-making in the family: more rights for women compared to men



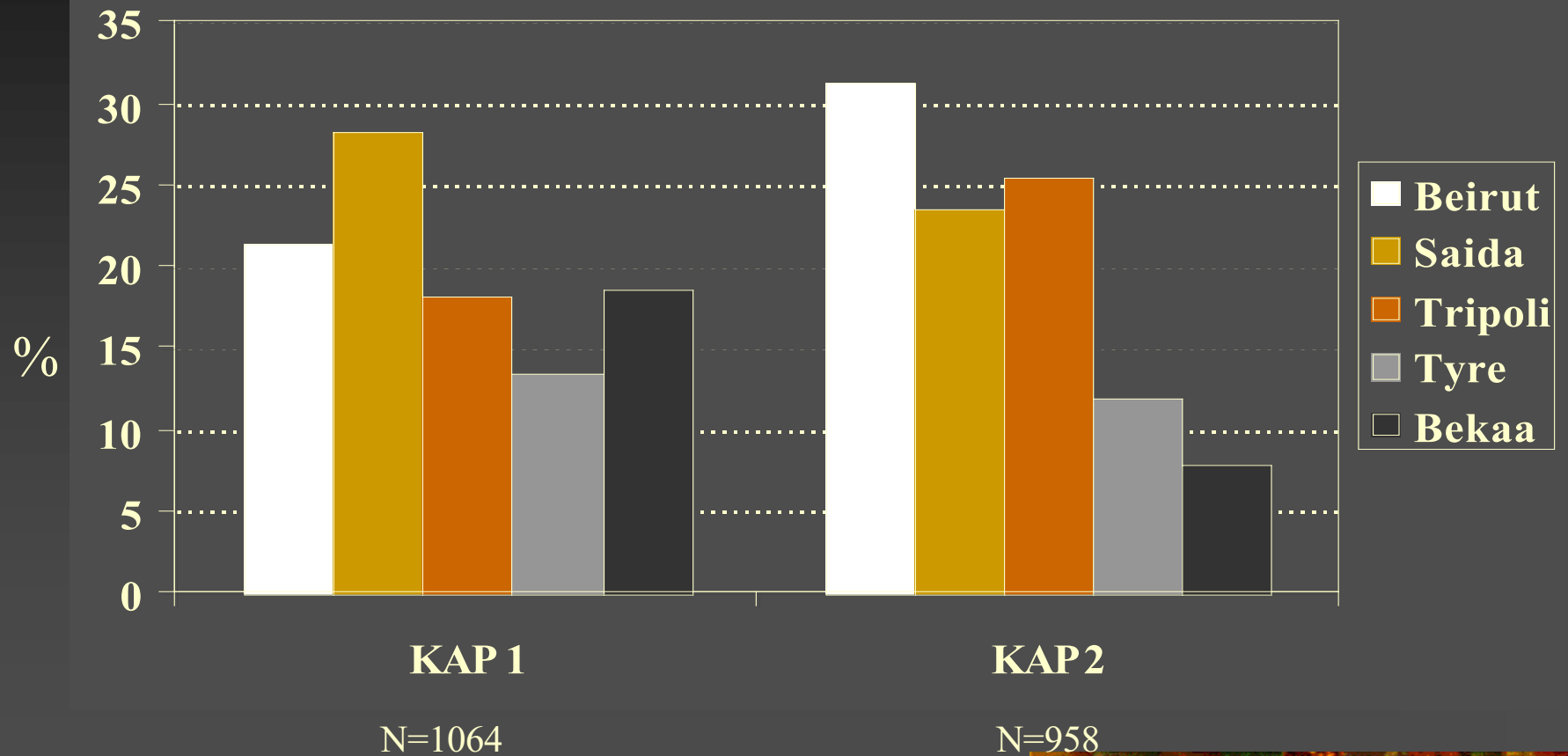
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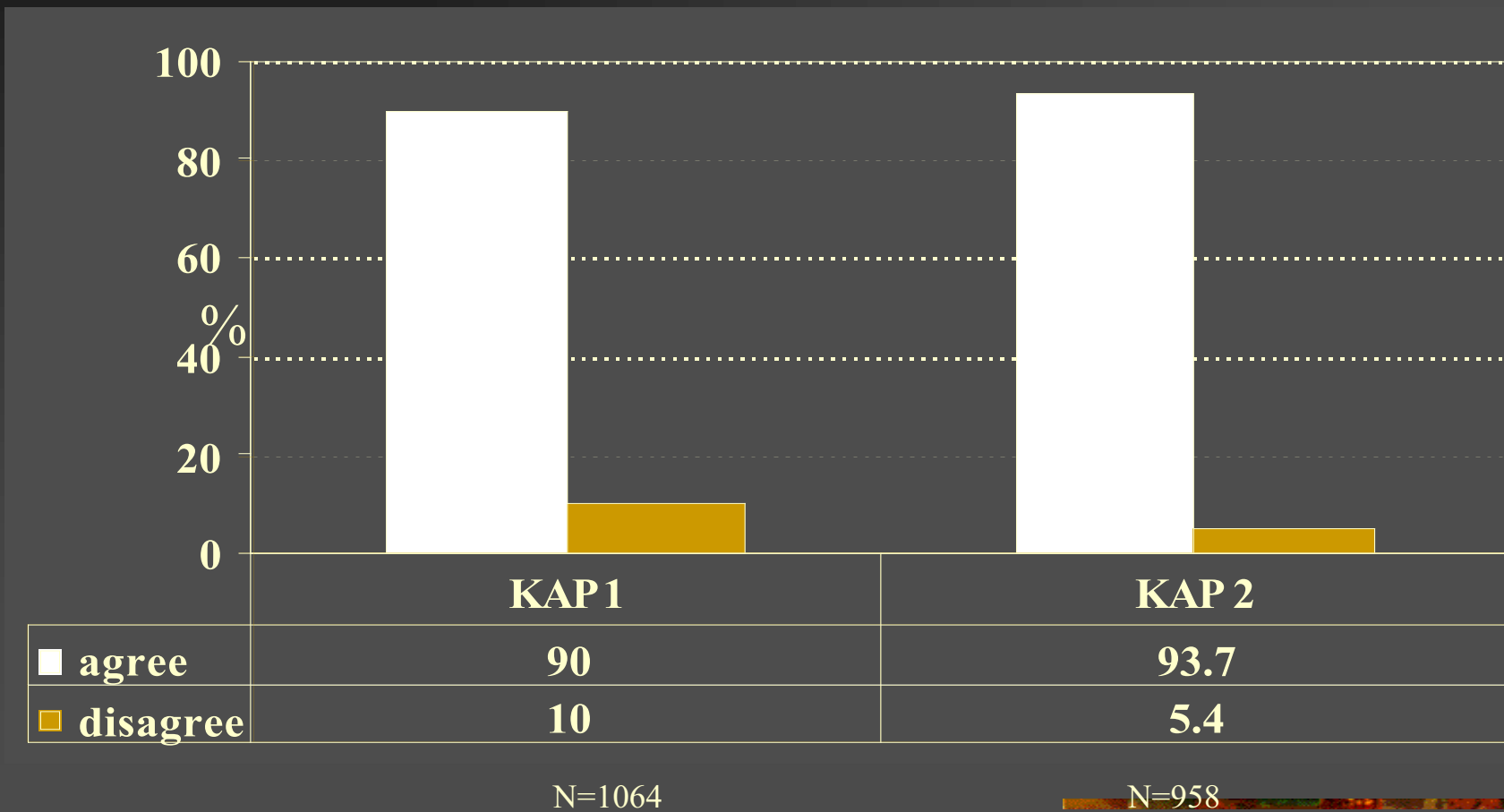
# Agreement with Right of Women to have a final say about landmark life-events



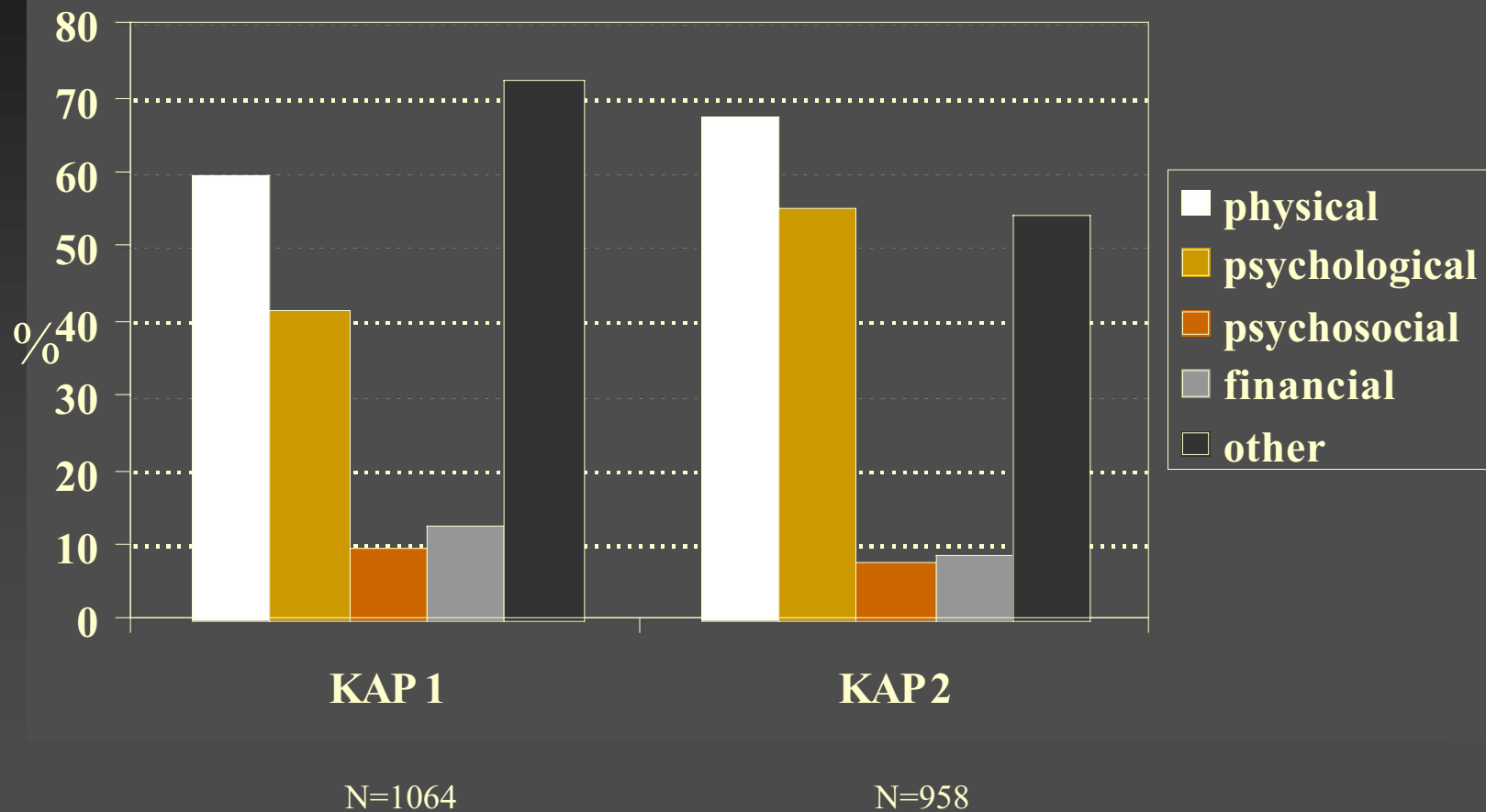
# Agreement by respondents on right of women to seek work outside the home – regional variation



## Opinions about the right of women not to be harmed



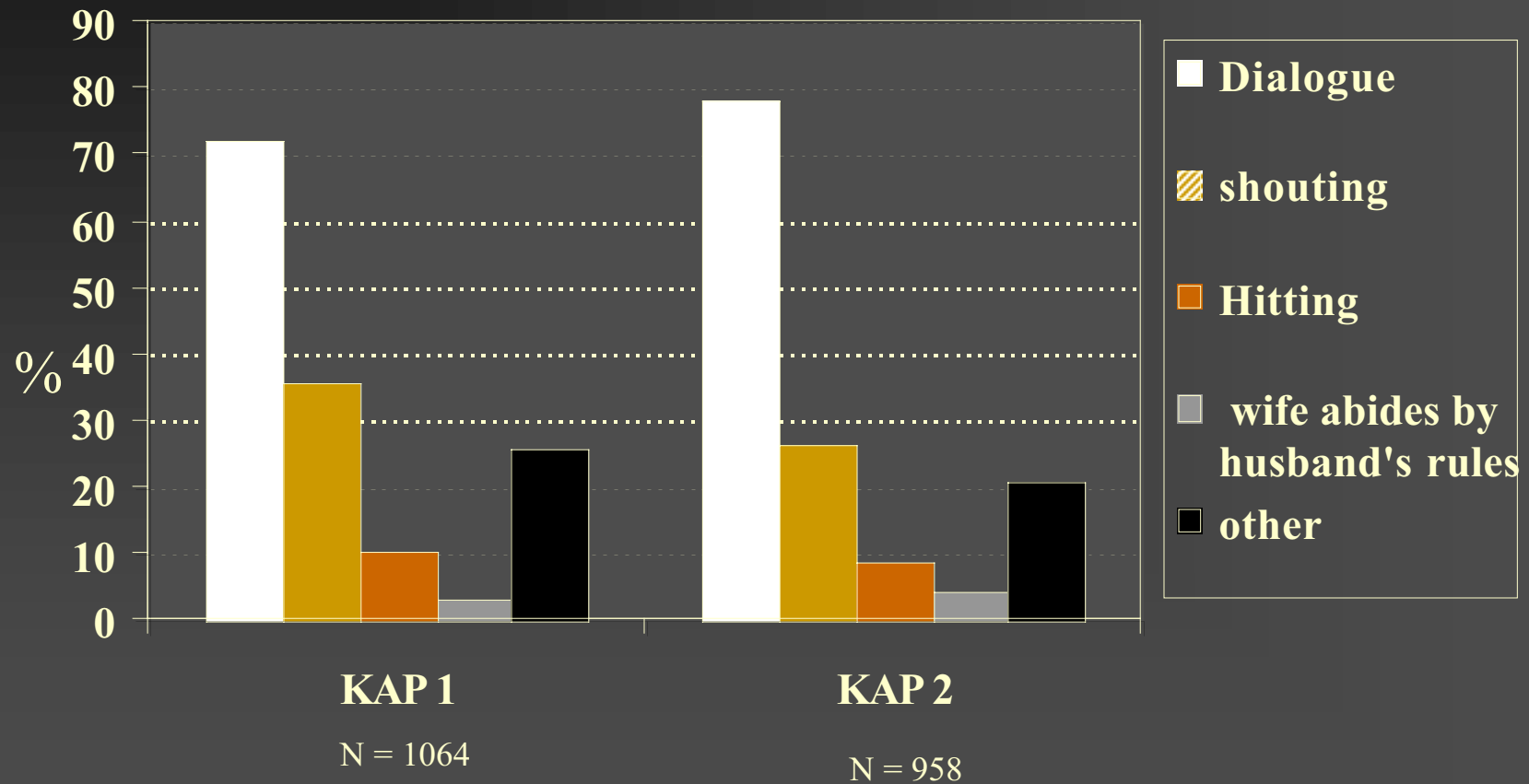
# Types of domestic violence reported in respondents' neighborhoods



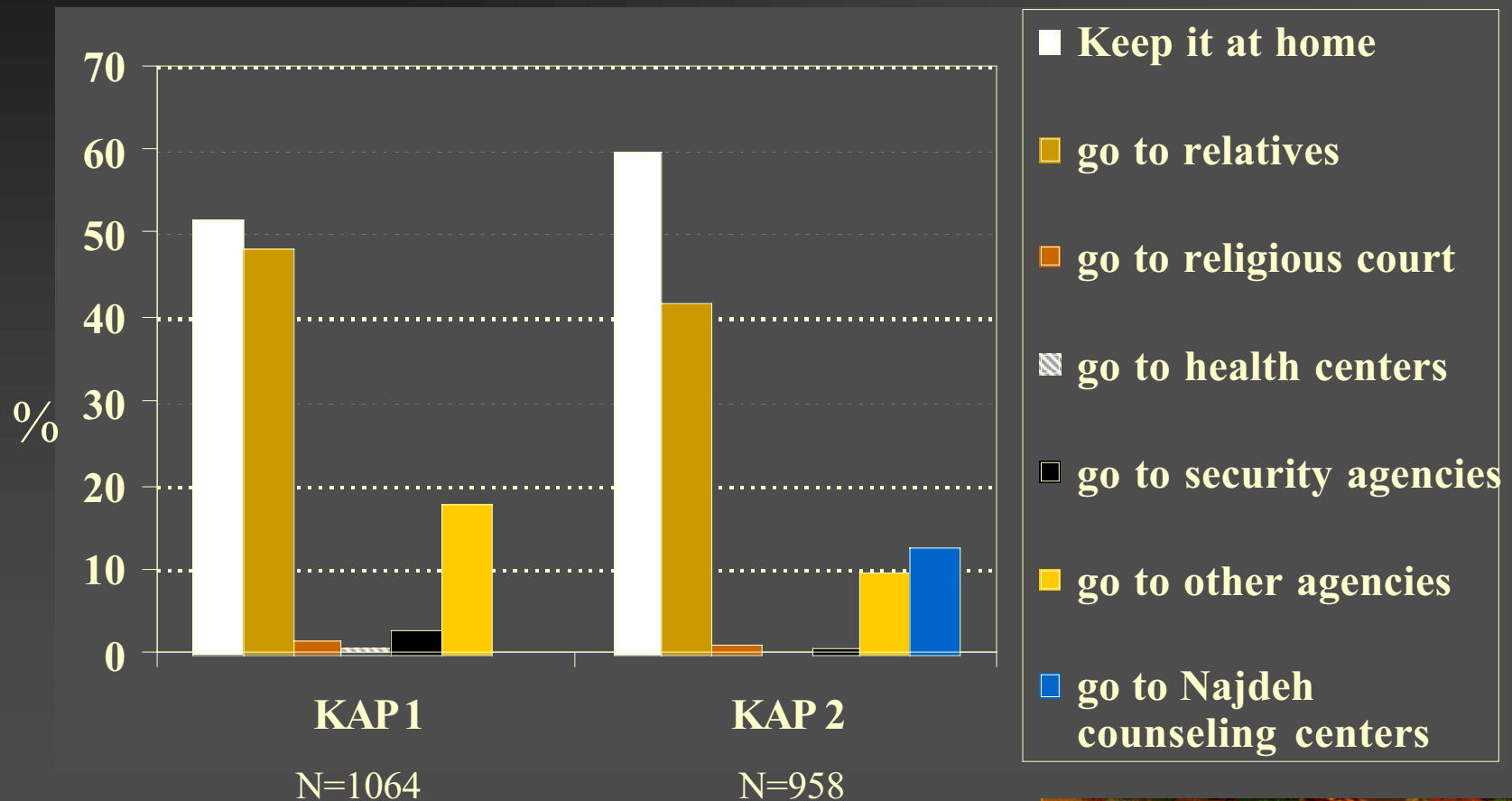
## Reported hitting in household three months prior to each survey

KAP1	KAP2
16.4 %	18.0 %

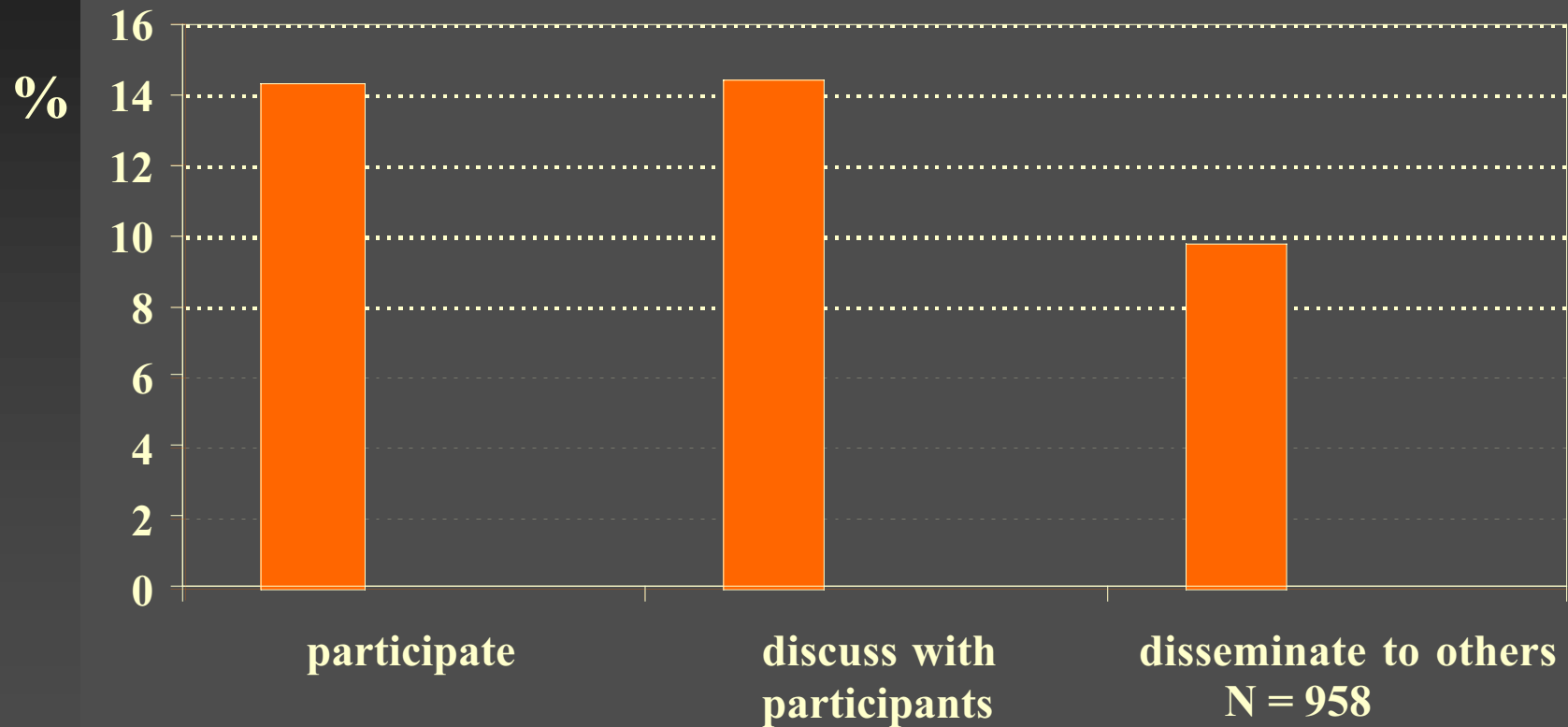
# Methods of managing disagreements within families



# Places for seeking help if family suffered from violent acts



## Najdeh workshop participation & discussions – KAP2



# Conclusions:

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- Evidence of changes in attitudes and practices across surveys
- Significant regional variations in KAPs, with conflicting trends in some cases

# Recommendations:

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- Disseminate information
- Expand project
- Evaluate activities
- Plan regionally
- Conduct more in-depth research

# For Further Information

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