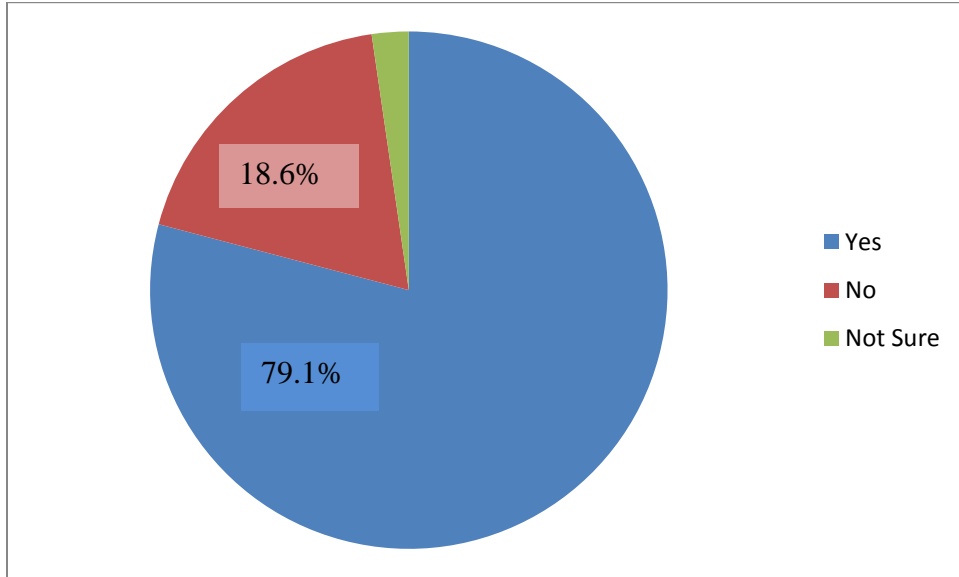
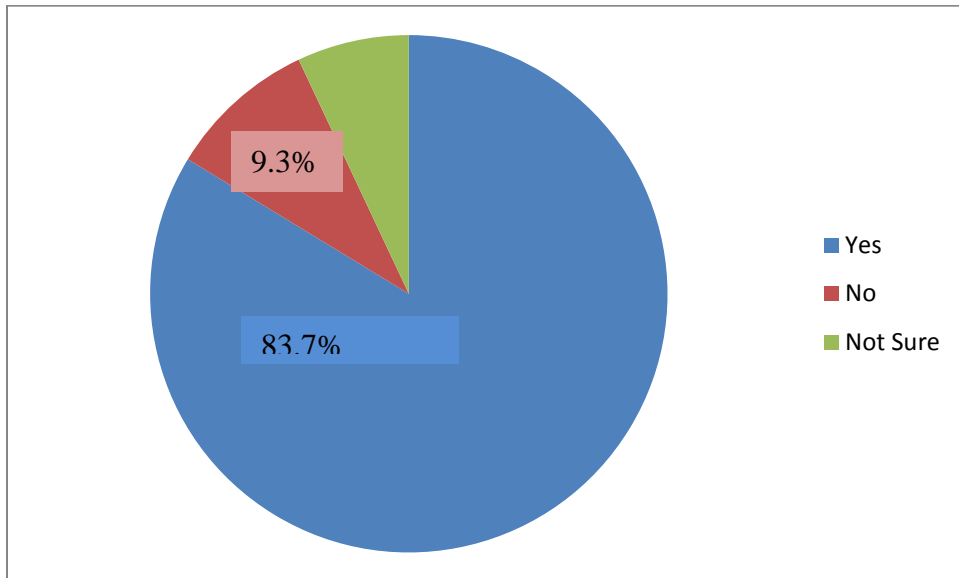


In my survey, I asked eight opinion questions in dealing with women in the political realm. There were 43 individuals that took my online survey from [surveymonkey.com](https://www.surveymonkey.com). I will now break it down and provide some visual graphs to show the results that I received for what I feel were the most important and relevant questions. Obviously, this is not any sort of official poll and it should be duly noted that most of the people who took this are my friends and colleagues, and surely not a perfect representation of the U.S. population. With this being said, I do believe that there is still value in analyzing the results of my poll. Here are the questions:

1. Do you believe that women are as capable as men in the political realm?



2. Would you feel comfortable with a woman representing your town, state and country?



3. What are your personal thoughts on the gender gap in the political arena?

Several of my favourite answers included:

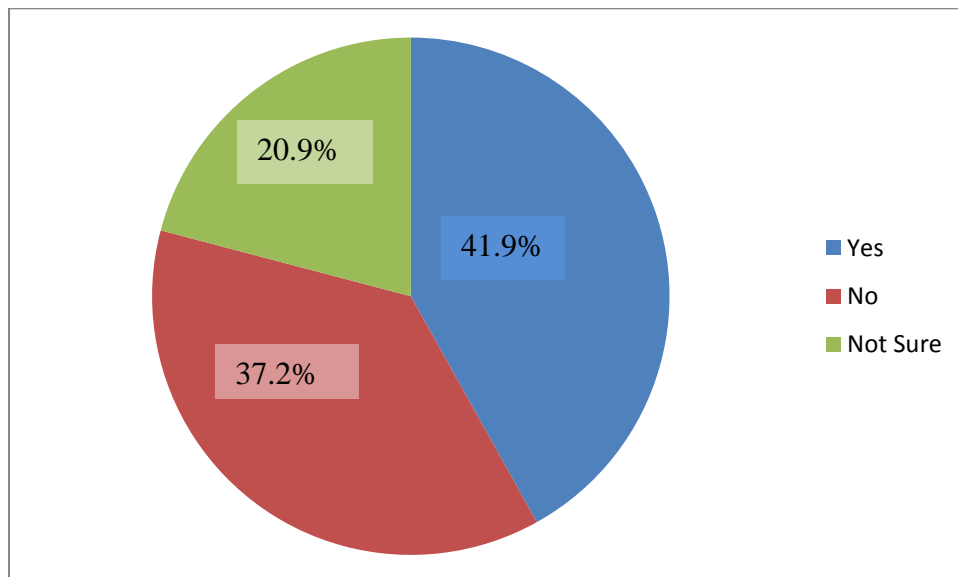
“I think it's the result of centuries of gendered thinking, with the belief that women are "too emotional" and "irrational" to be taken seriously or to capably hold high-ranking titles and make decisions. This sort of thinking is terribly outdated and is proven wrong time and again by women capably holding office, with women in foreign countries being elected to top offices and doing as well, if not better, than men (Angela Merkel in Germany, for example). The fact that people in the US are so hesitant to elect women to public office and uses their gender as an excuse NOT to elect them is incredibly backwards and frankly misogynistic at this point.”

“I think that like anything, it's going to take time, but I think the gap will eventually close. Social norms become so ingrained in our lives that we don't stop to question them. In reality, though, there's no reason women should be considered less capable than men.”

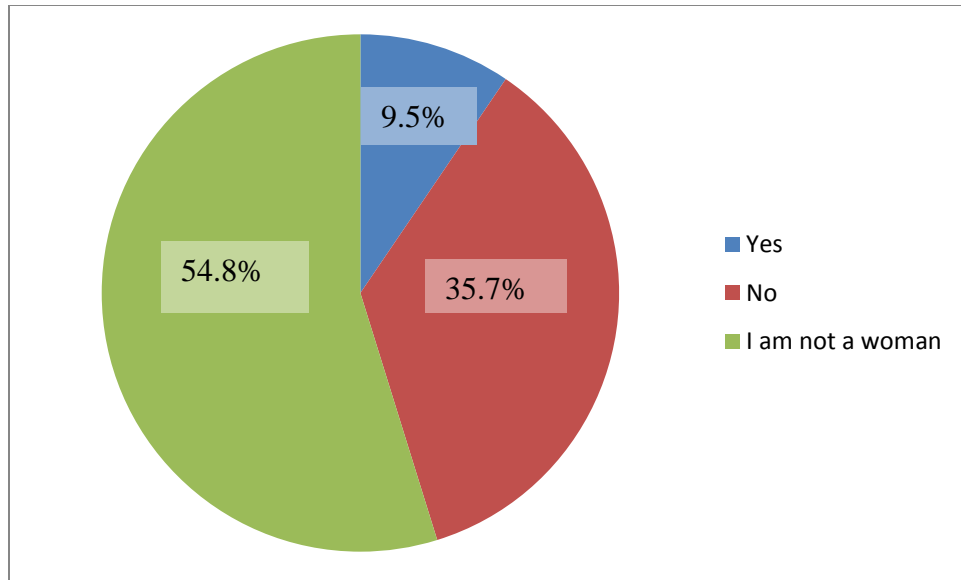
“Patriarchy still rules in throughout the business, political, and other worlds. However, I think women hold themselves back just as much as the men do. Women need to start believing in themselves, and professing their belonging in such worlds in order for others to believe it's true.”

“The proportion of men to women in politics isn't representative of the makeup of our country, so we're not really operating in a true representative democracy, are we?”

4. Do you believe if the gender gap in politics is worse than most other workplaces and areas in the U.S.?



5. If you are a woman, have you experienced sexual harassment or assault in the workplace? *



*Of these, none claimed to have been in the political realm, which was the following question.

I think that it is important to reflect upon the results because they give insight into the modern culture of America. In the following section I will analyze my entire research project, including these results.