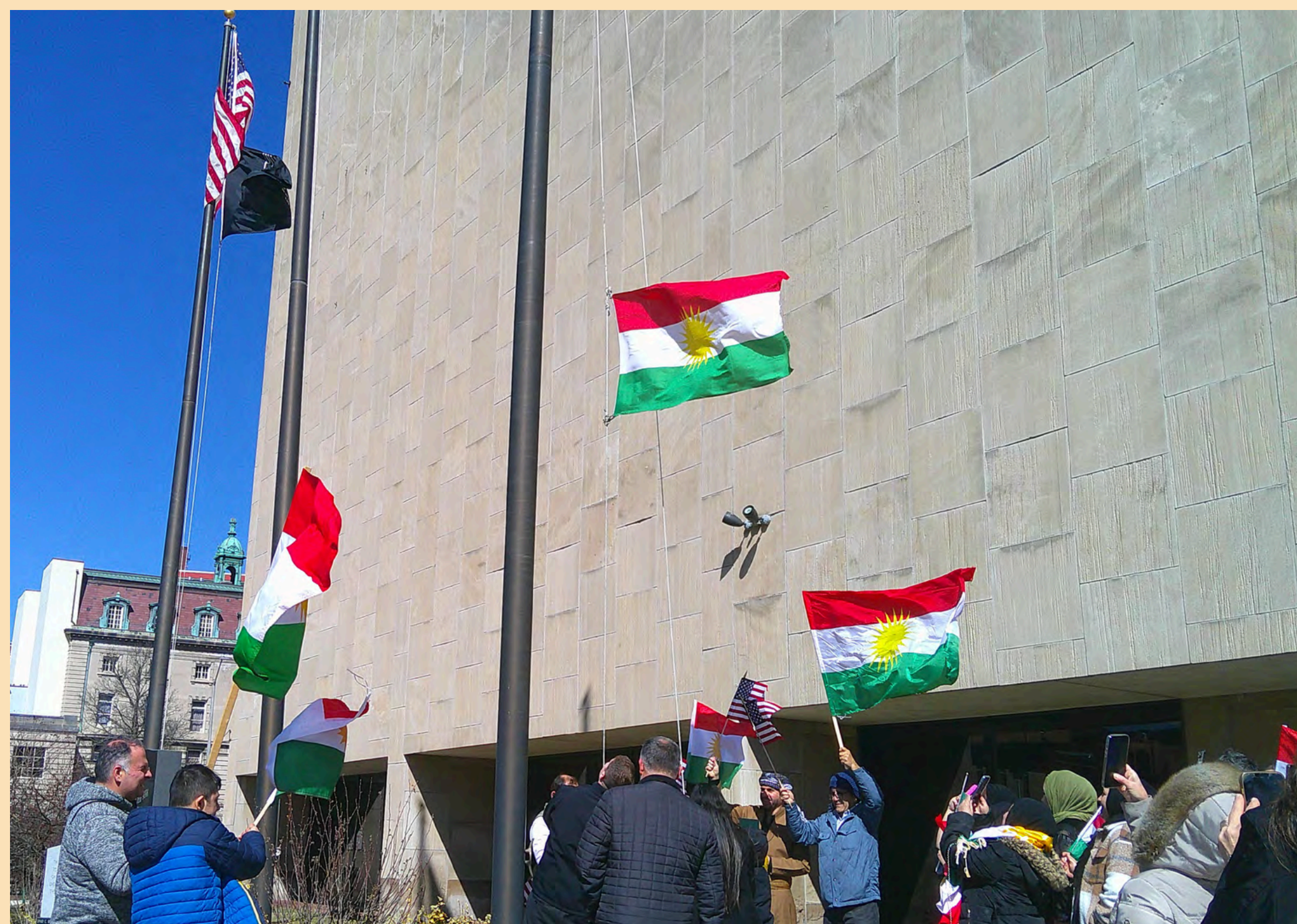


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ORIGINS OF NEW YORK'S LARGEST KURDISH DIASPORA

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Interviews

We conducted four interviews with members of the Kurdish community here in Binghamton, and asked questions regarding reasons for leaving Kurdistan, why they came to Binghamton, and their feelings toward the local Kurdish community.

Findings

- All interviewees were from the Iraqi region of Kurdistan, specifically Duhok
- 3 out of 4 interviewees and their families left because they were directly in danger of Saddam Hussein's campaign
- All interviewees eventually settled in Binghamton because there were already Kurds that they knew here
- All interviewees expressed that there is a lively, supportive, Kurdish community here, however, there is a lack of organizations geared towards them

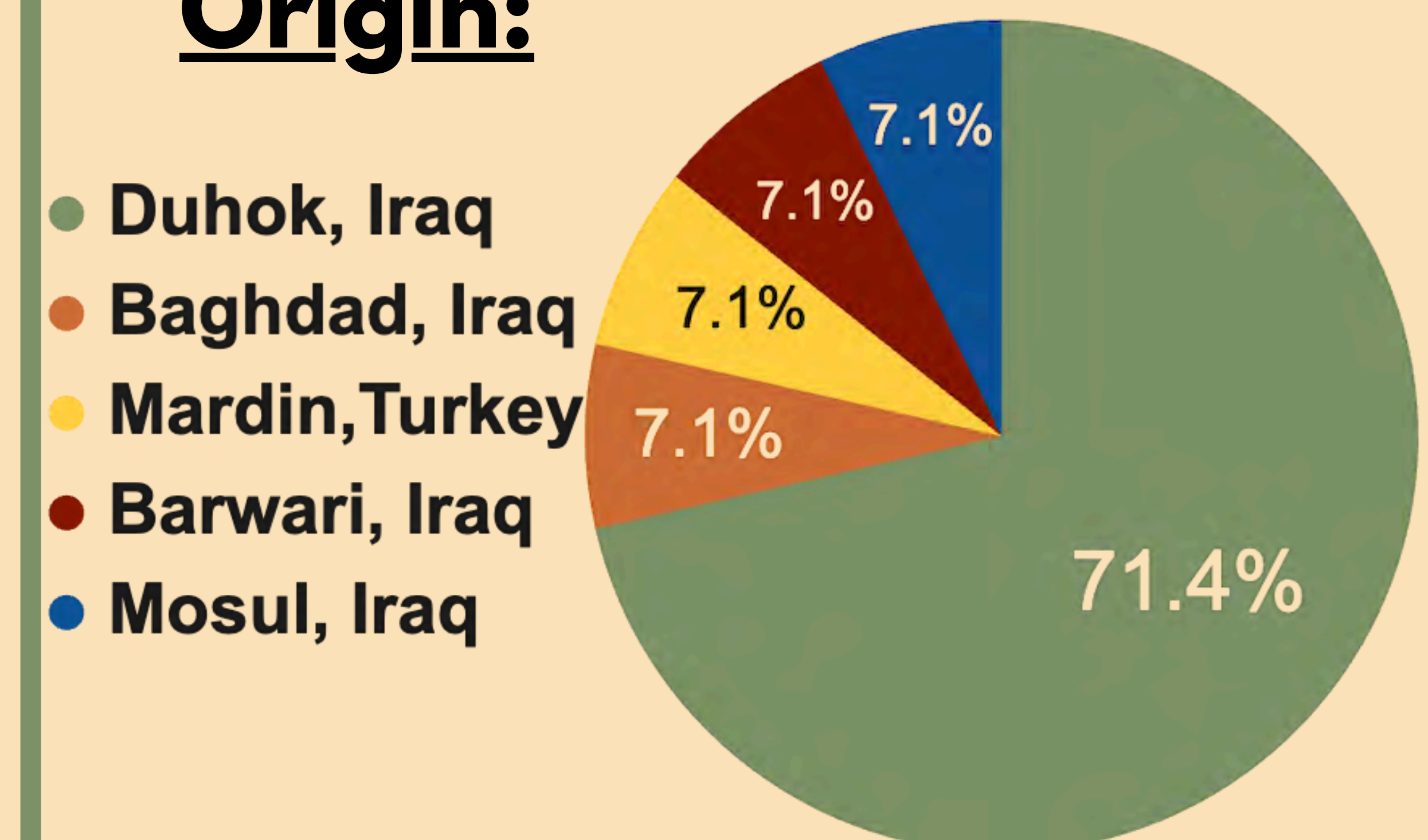
Methods

- Attended Nowruz celebration to observe cultural practices
- Reviewed interviews from the Kurdish Oral Project
- Conducted archival work at the American Civic Association
- Interviewed local Kurdish individuals in Binghamton

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Regions of Origin:



Reason for leaving Kurdistan:

