

#1 - Vacation Rentals (General Public)

SURVEY RESPONSE REPORT

11 January 2023 - 28 February 2023

PROJECT NAME:

Vacation Rental Review

FILTER BY:

In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner?

Answered : Other-(please-specify)

Vacation Rental Survey Results
"Other" or left question unanswered
January 11, 2023 - February 15, 2023

REGISTRATION QUESTIONS

Q1 Which RDOS community do you live in?

Screen Name Redacted The RDOS is part of my geographic coverage area for my position
11/24/2021 03:31 PM with Interior Health. I do not live in the area.

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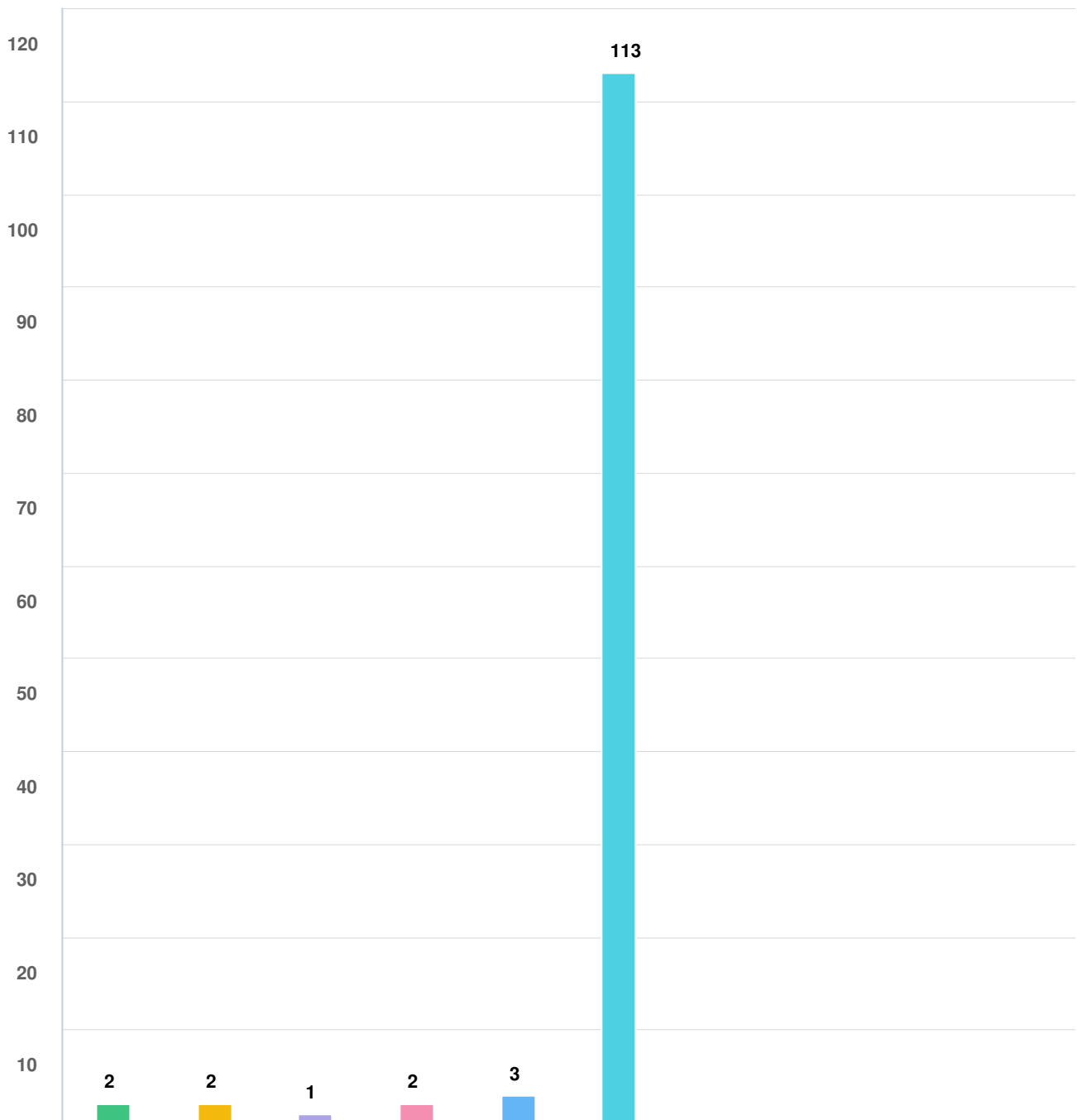
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2/02/2023 06:45 AM

Mandatory Question (6 response(s))
Question type: Single Line Question

SURVEY QUESTIONS

Q1 In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner?



Question options

- "A" (Rural Osoyoos) ● "C" (Rural Oliver, Gallagher Lake) ● "E" (Naramata)
- "F" (Greater West Bench, Okanagan Lake West, Rural Summerland) ● "I" (Skaha West, Kaleden, Apex)
- Other (please specify) ● "B" (Cawston, Lower Similkameen) ● "D" (Skaha East, Okanagan Falls)
- "G" (Rural Keremeos, Hedley, Olalla) ● "H" (Rural Princeton, Tulameen, Coalmont, Eastgate, Missezula Lake)

Mandatory Question (112 response(s))

Question type: Checkbox Question

Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? Other-(please-specify)

Q2 | If you live in a specific neighbourhood, please name it below (e.g. Naramata, Kaleden, Heritage Hills).

Screen Name Redacted Naramata Bench (near Penticton)
1/11/2023 08:36 AM

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1/11/2023 09:14 AM

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1/11/2023 10:09 AM

Screen Name Redacted The Cottages on Osoyoos Lake
1/11/2023 10:39 AM

Screen Name Redacted Starvation Flats
1/11/2023 12:29 PM

Screen Name Redacted Osoyoos
1/11/2023 02:40 PM

Screen Name Redacted City of Penticton
1/11/2023 04:11 PM

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1/19/2023 07:55 AM

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1/19/2023 07:32 PM

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1/20/2023 06:56 PM

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1/21/2023 09:45 AM

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Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 11:40 AM	Downtown Penticton
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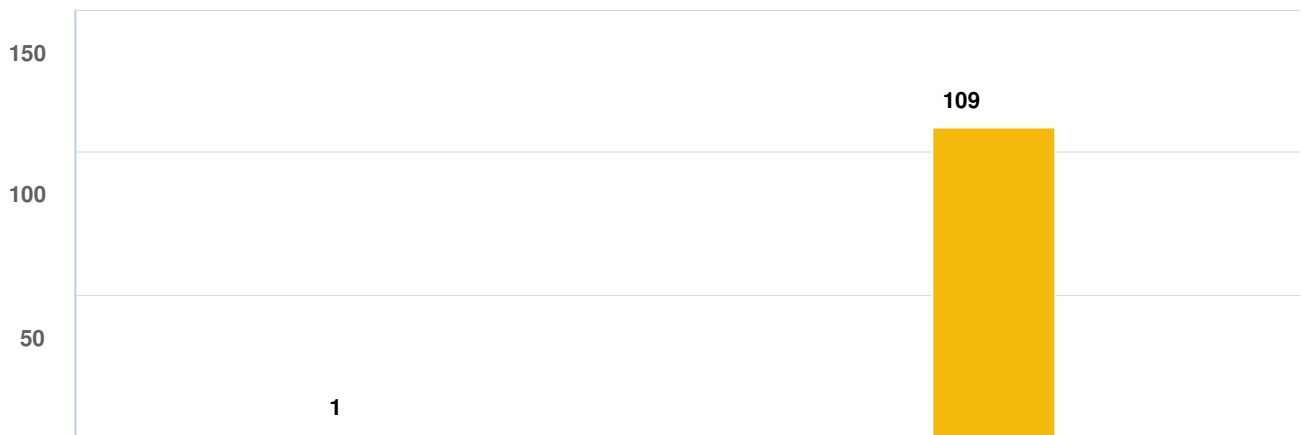
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Screen Name Redacted 2/07/2023 10:35 AM	Sendero Canyon subdivision
Screen Name Redacted 2/09/2023 03:29 PM	Oliver

Optional question (52 response(s), 61 skipped)

Question type: Single Line Question

Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? Other-(please-specify)

Q3 Do you have, or have you had in the past, a Temporary Use Permit (TUP) to operate a vacation rental?



Question options

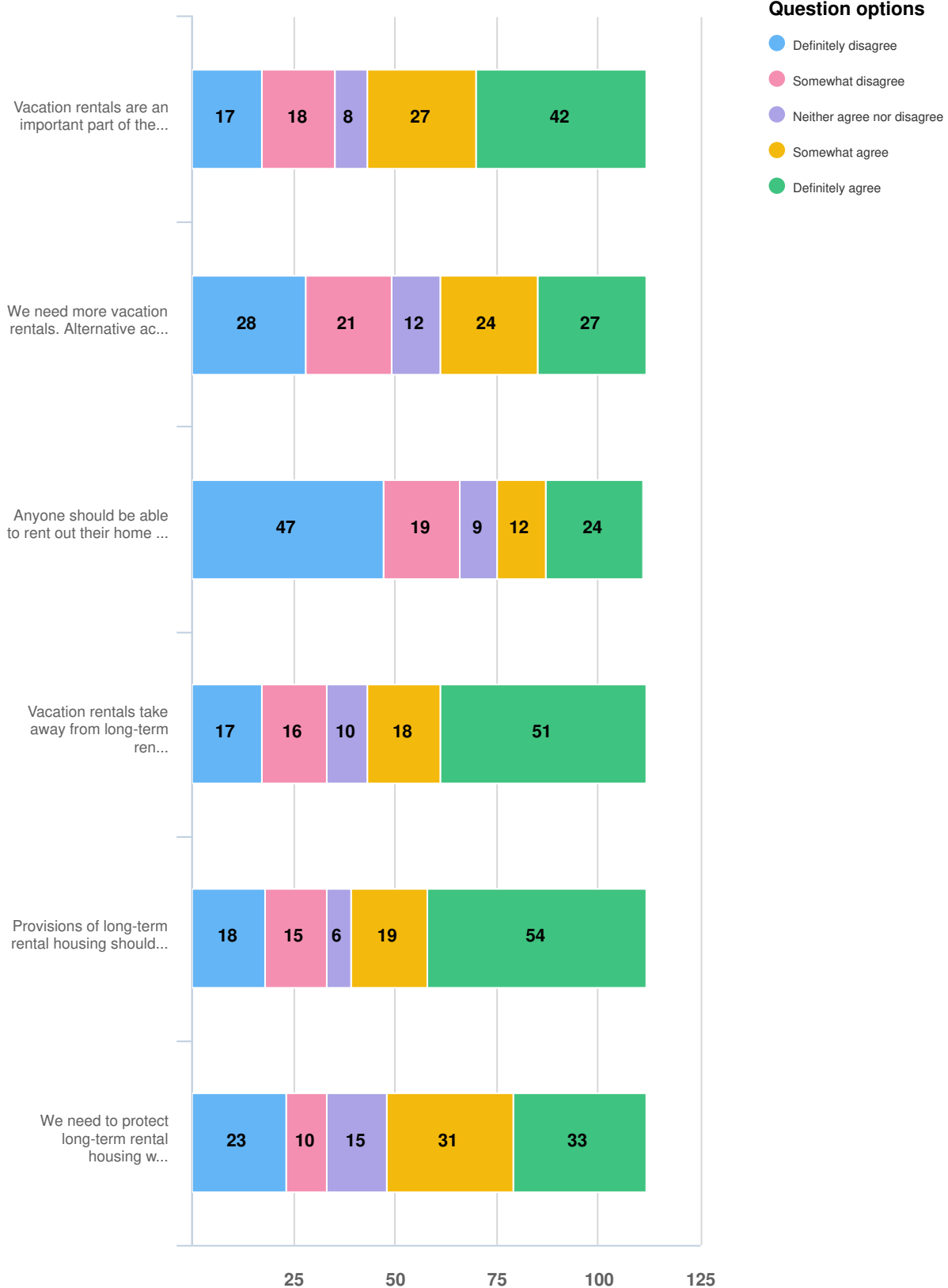
- Yes (please go to Survey #2 of the Regional Connections page or contact the RDOS to receive a paper copy of the survey)
- No (please continue with this survey)

Optional question (109 response(s), 4 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? Other-(please-specify)

Q4 To help the Regional District understand your perspective on vacation rentals, please indicate your level of agreement with...



Optional question (111 response(s), 2 skipped)

Question type: Likert Question

Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? Other-(please-specify)

Q4 | To help the Regional District understand your perspective on vacation rentals, please indicate your level of agreement with...

Vacation rentals are an important part of the regional economy

Definitely disagree : 17



Somewhat disagree : 18



Neither agree nor disagree : 8



Somewhat agree : 27

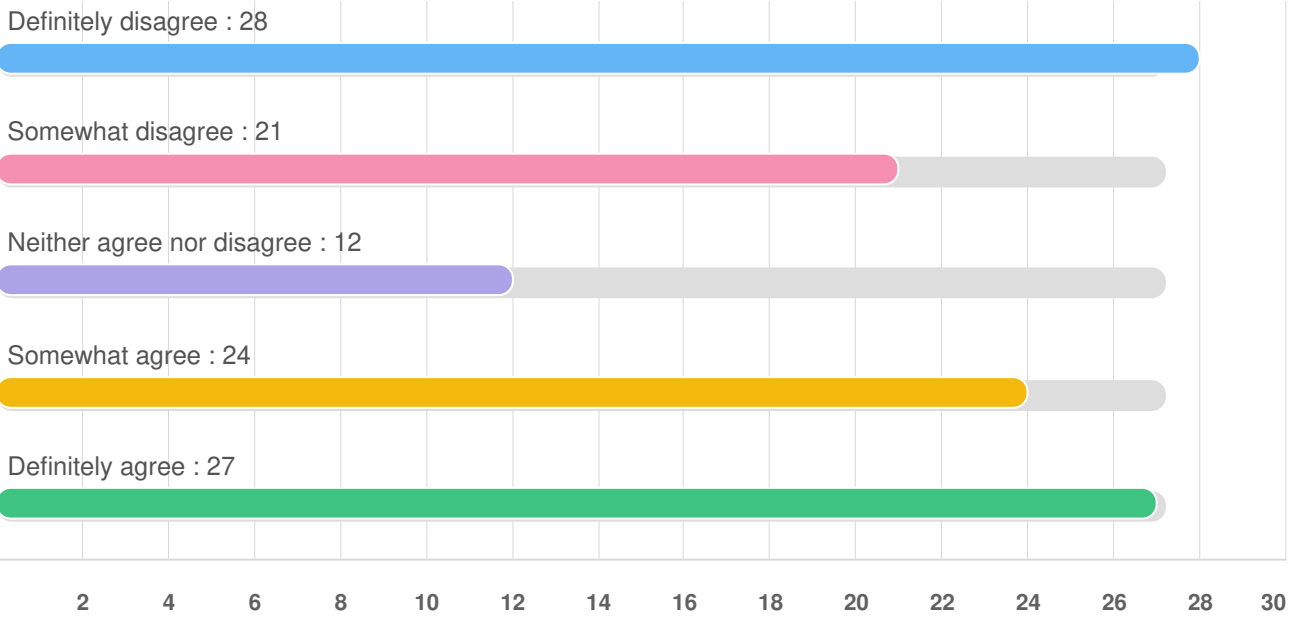


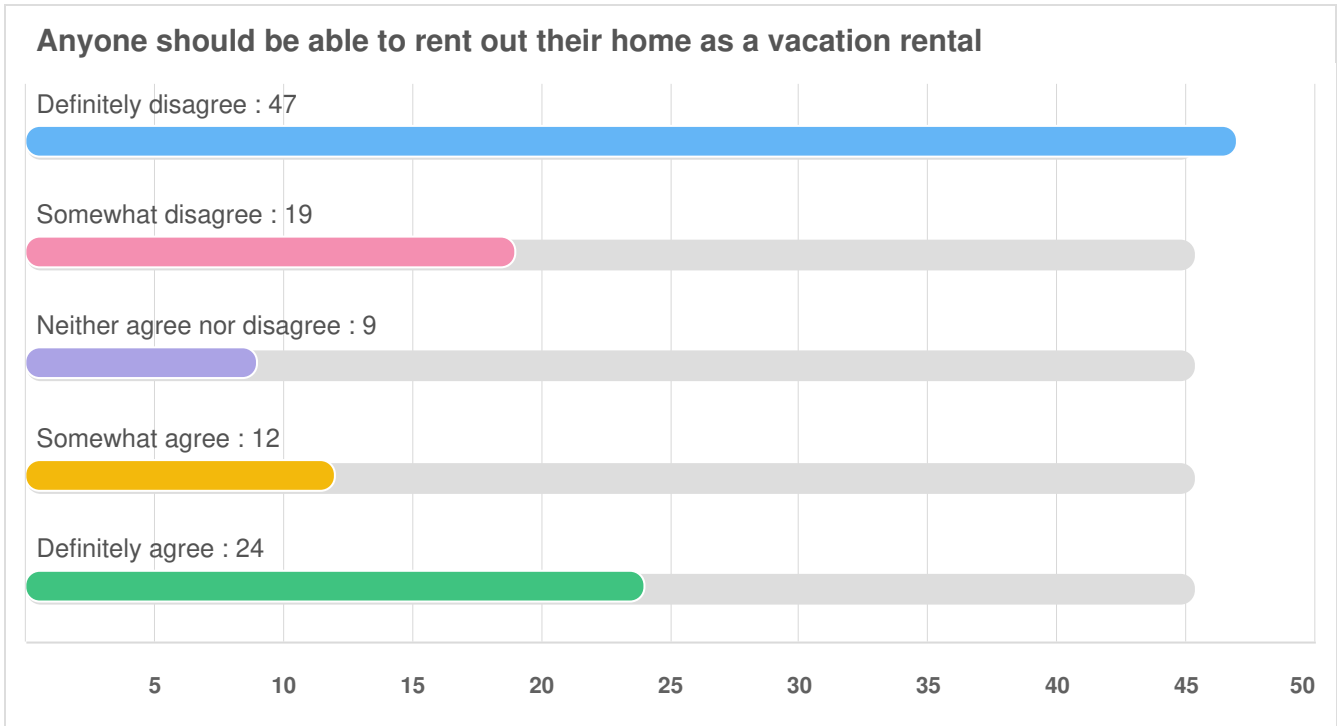
Definitely agree : 42

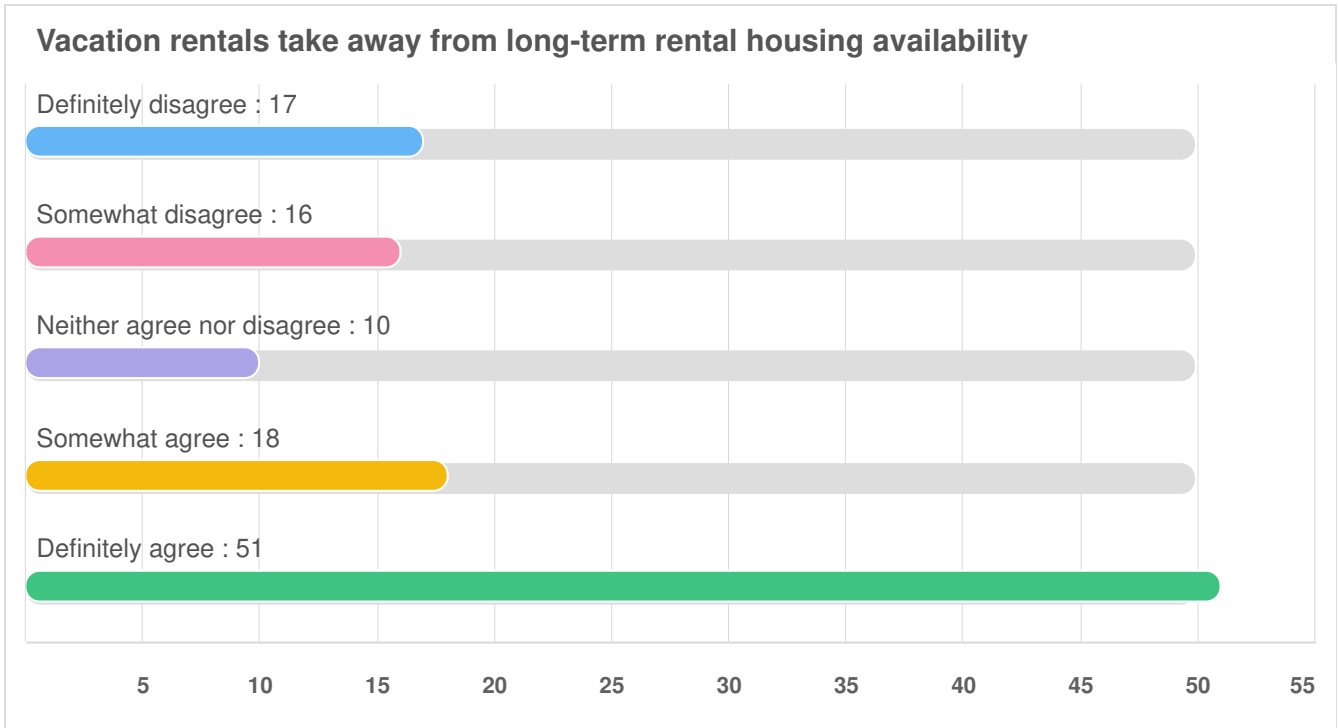


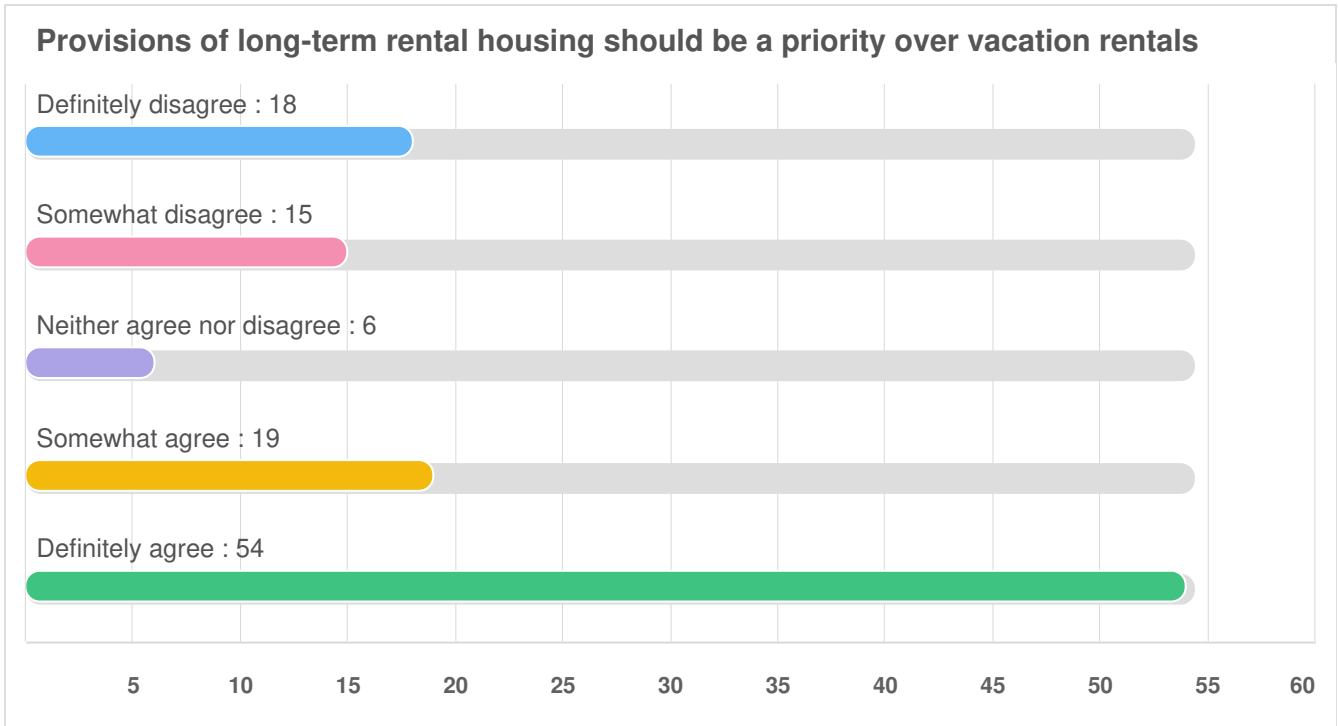
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We need more vacation rentals. Alternative accommodations (hotels, motels, and bed & breakfasts) are often lacking

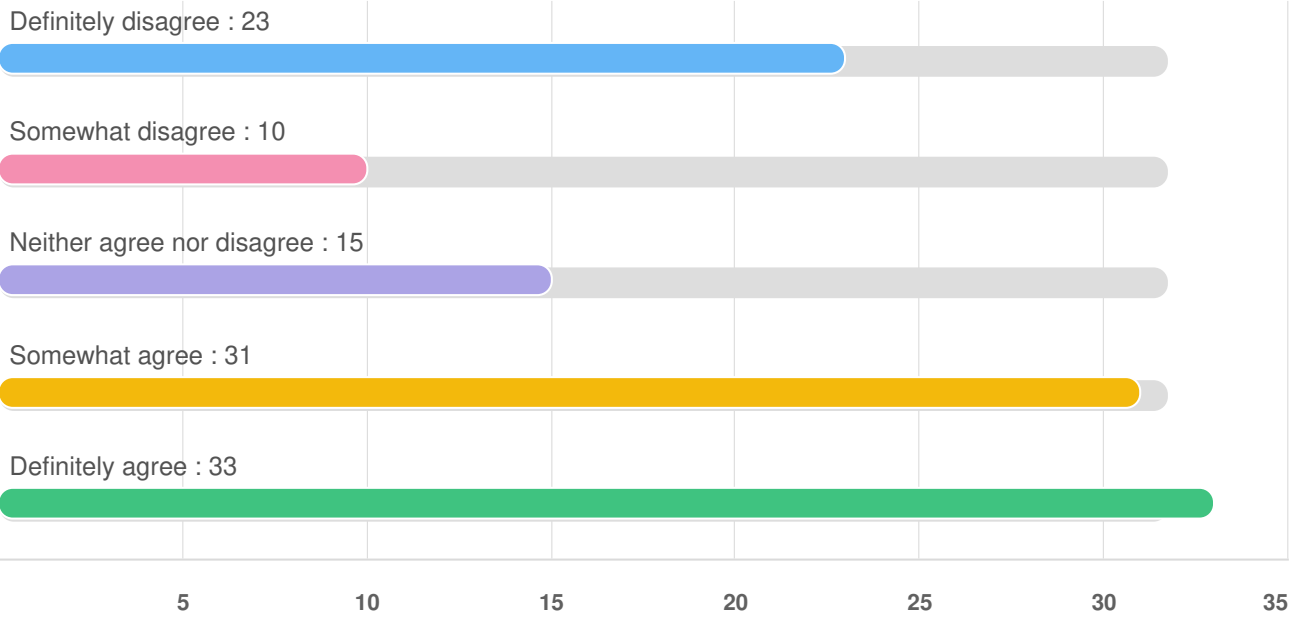








We need to protect long-term rental housing while also permitting some vacation rentals



Q5 | Please rate your level of concern with the following potential impacts of vacation rentals in your neighbourhood.

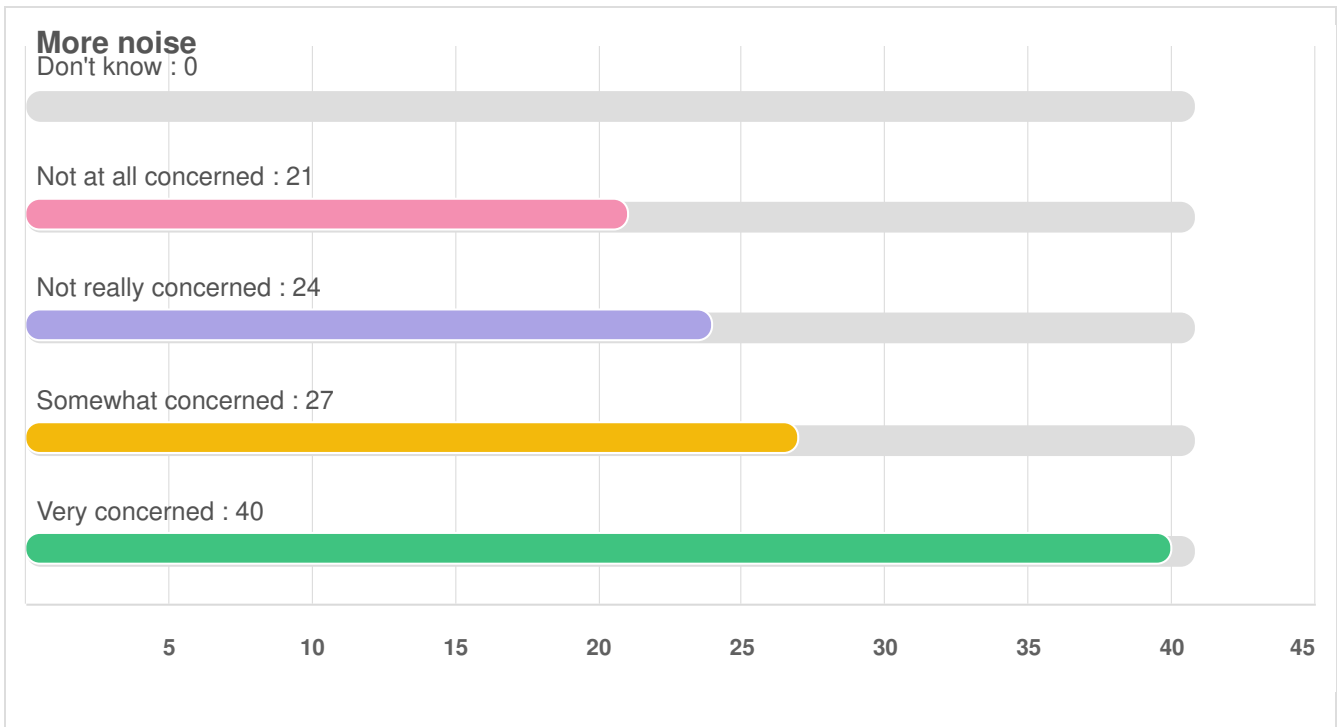


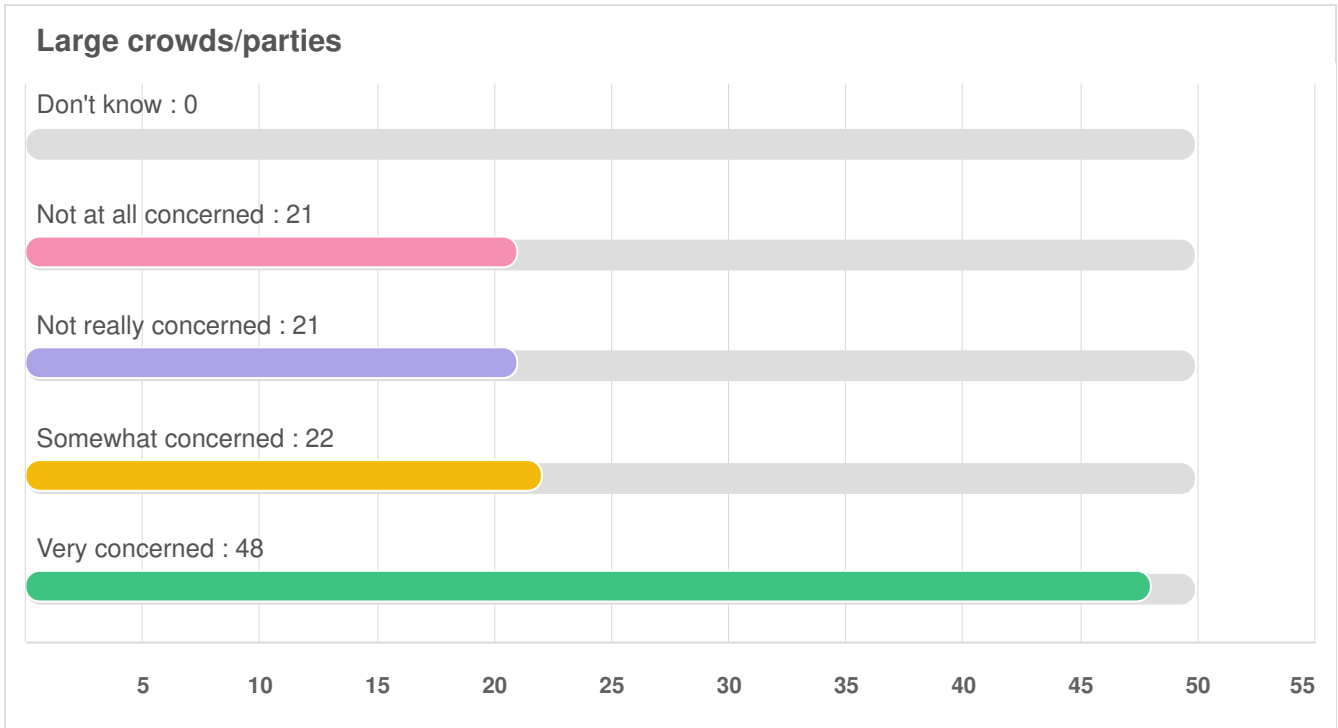
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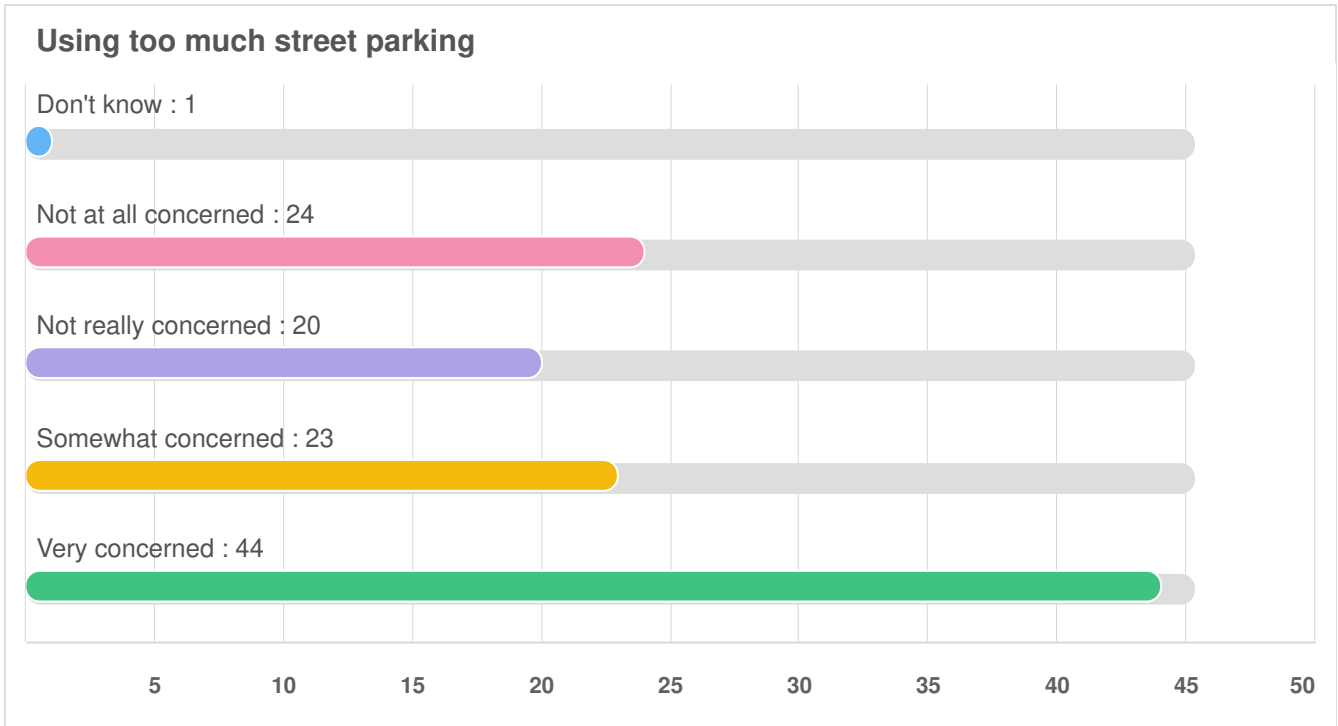
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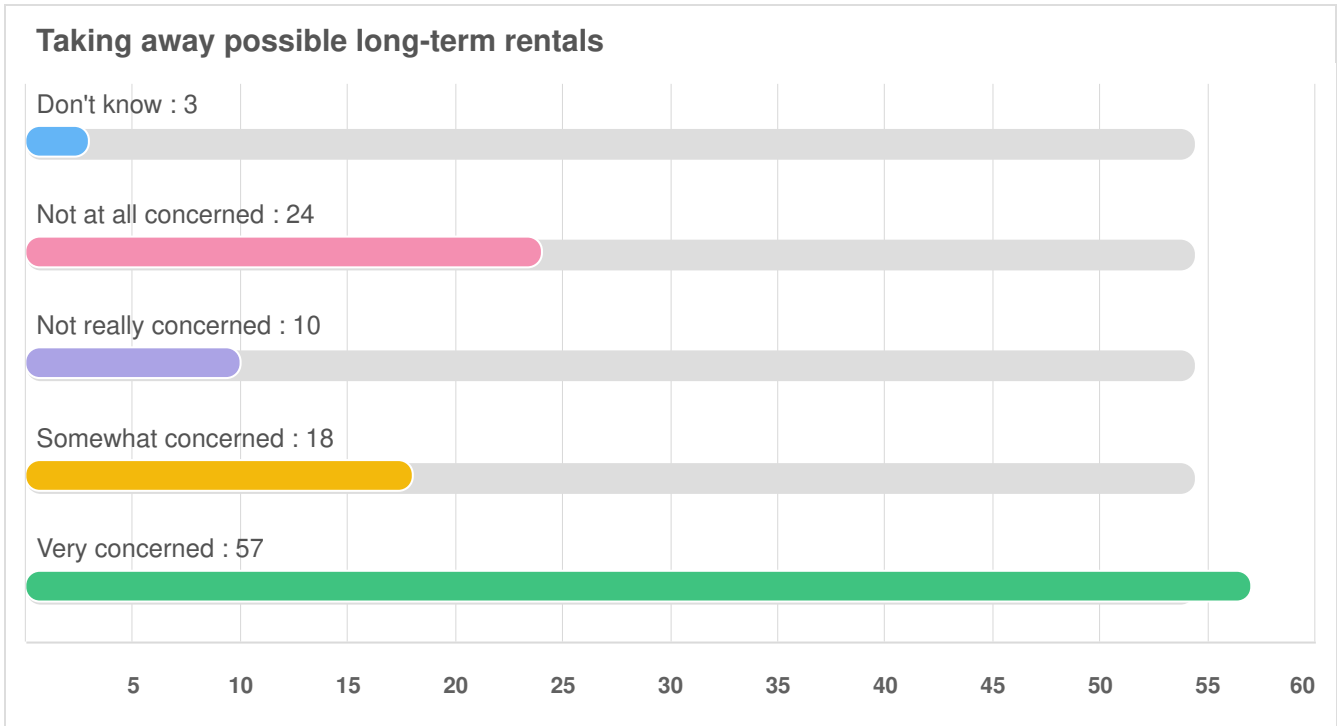
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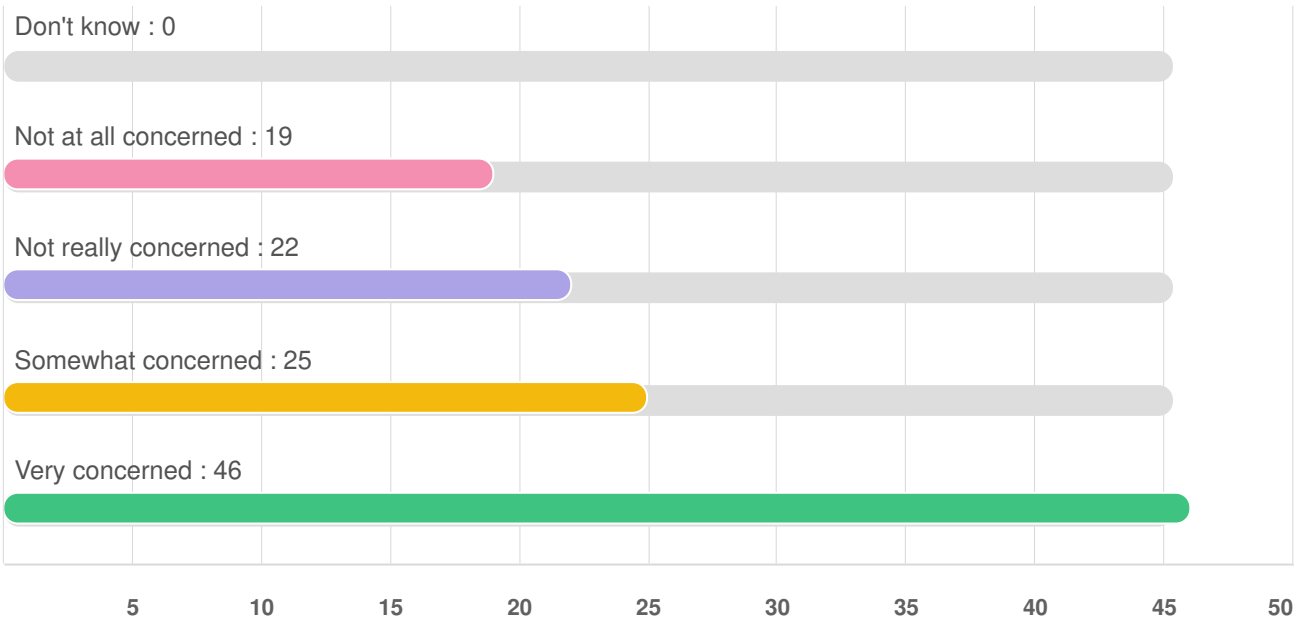


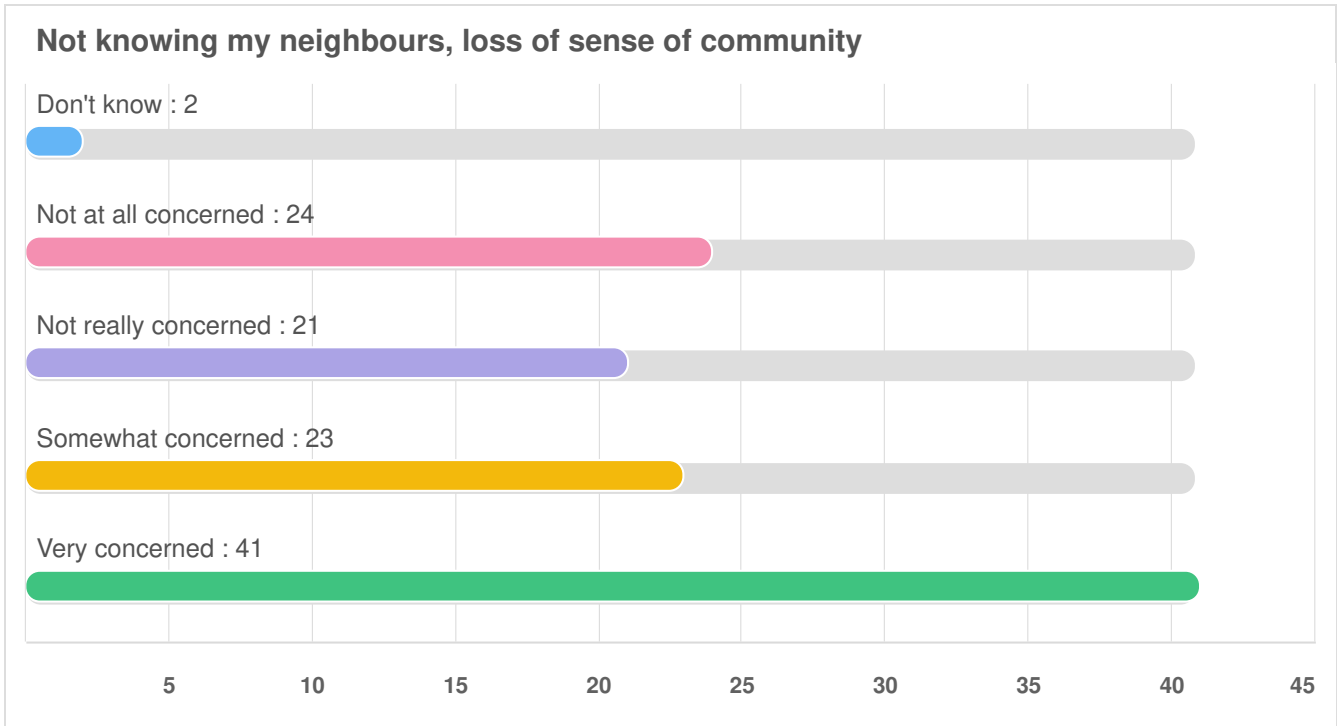


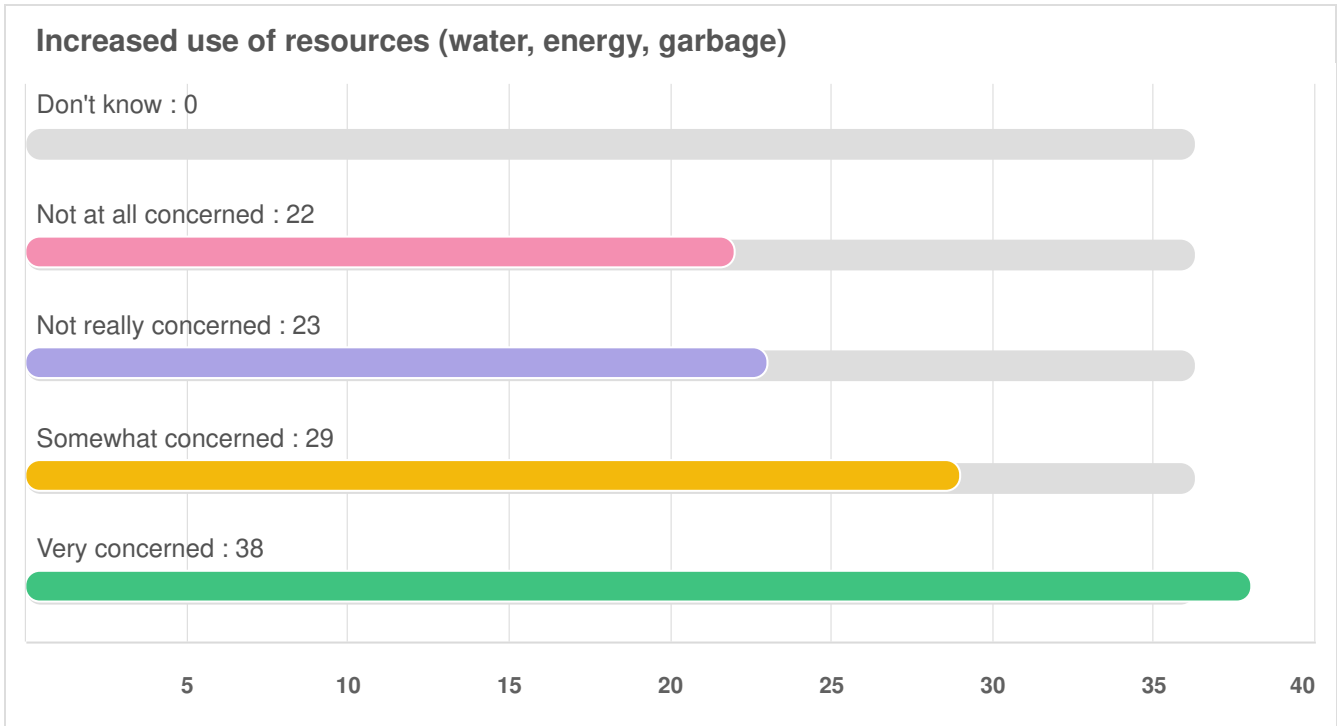


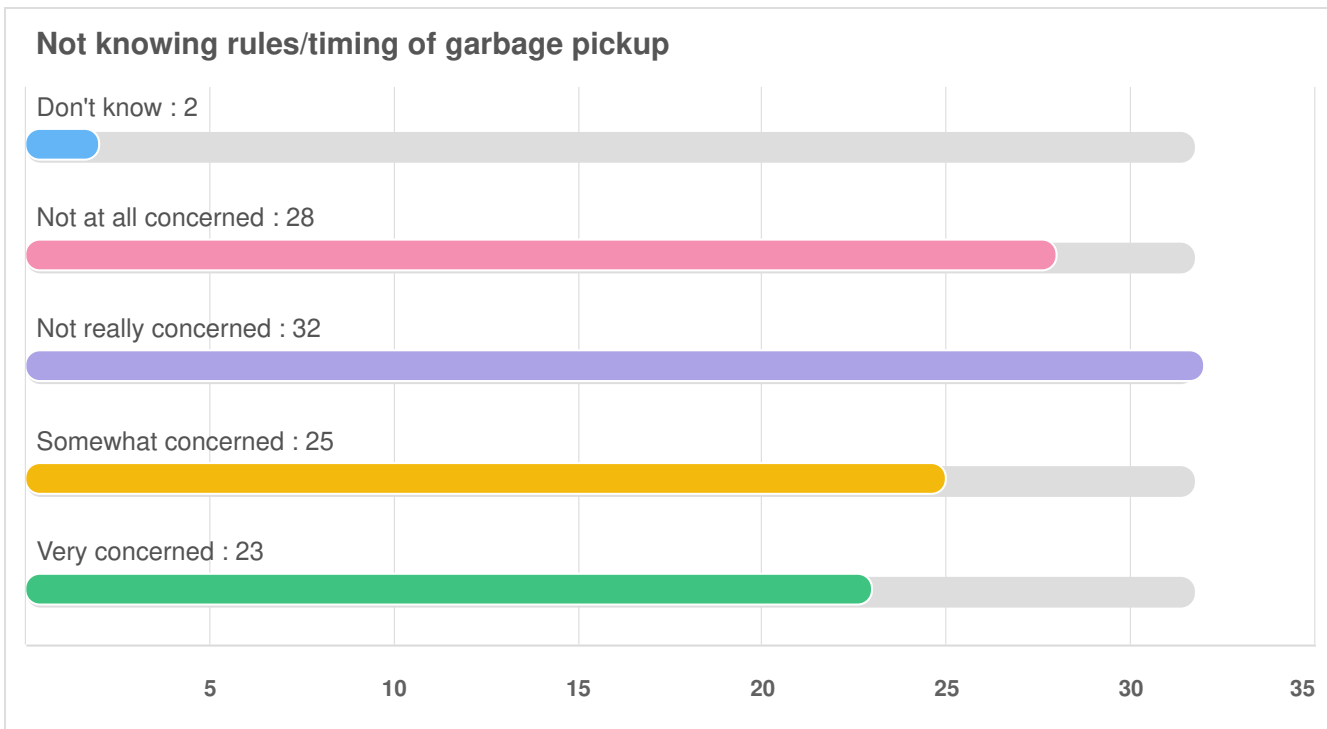


Commercialization of residential neighbourhoods

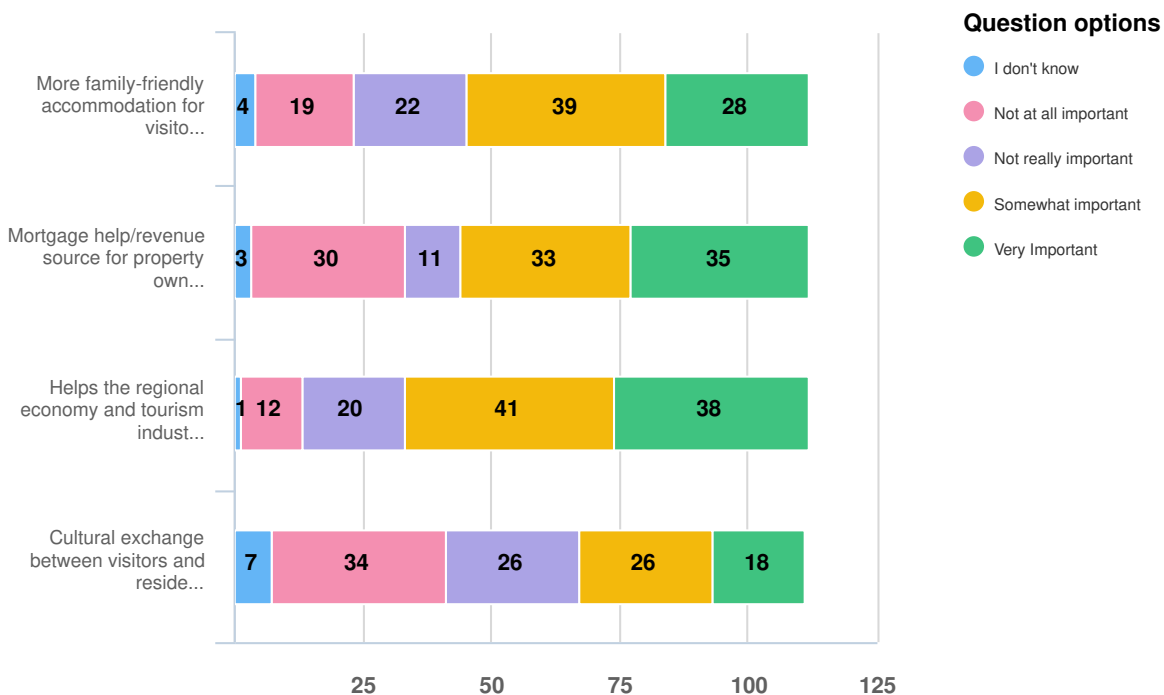








Q6 From your perspective, please rate the importance of the following potential benefits of vacation rentals.



Optional question (111 response(s), 2 skipped)
 Question type: Likert Question
 Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? Other-(please-specify)

Q6 | From your perspective, please rate the importance of the following potential benefits of vacation rentals.

More family-friendly accommodation for visitors

I don't know : 4



Not at all important : 19



Not really important : 22



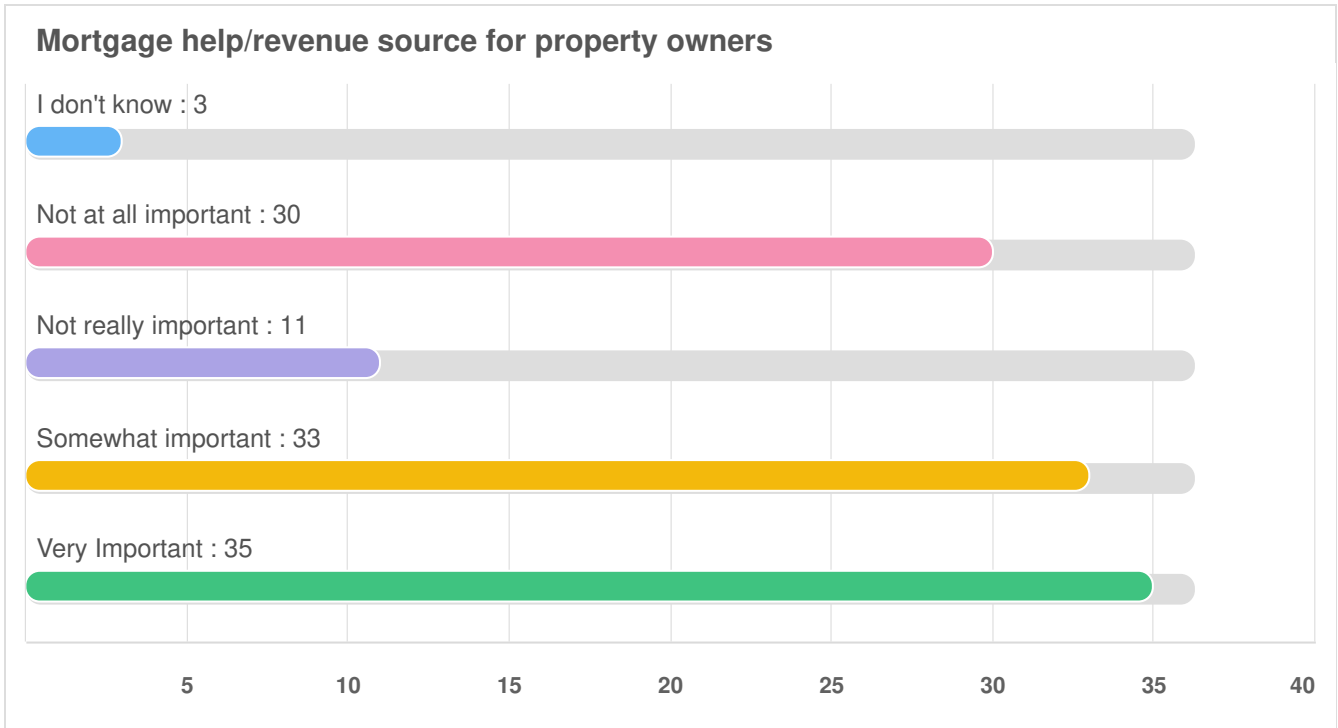
Somewhat important : 39

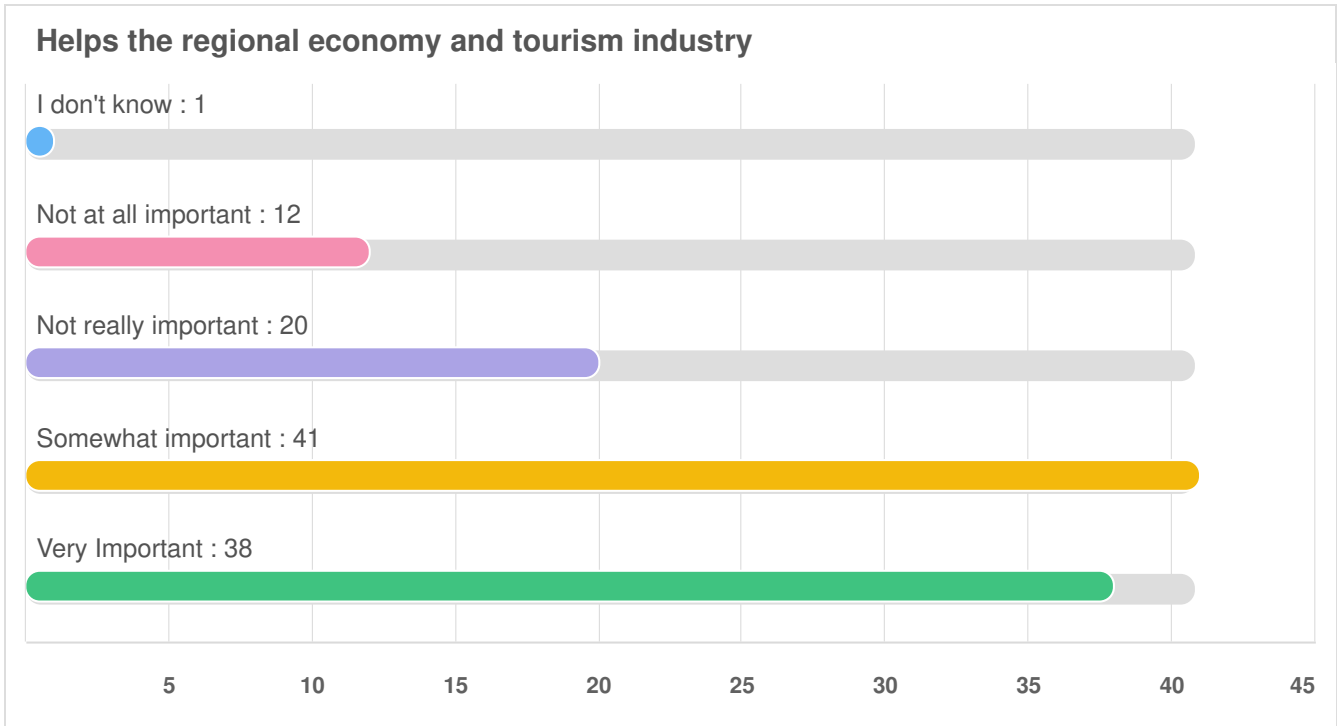


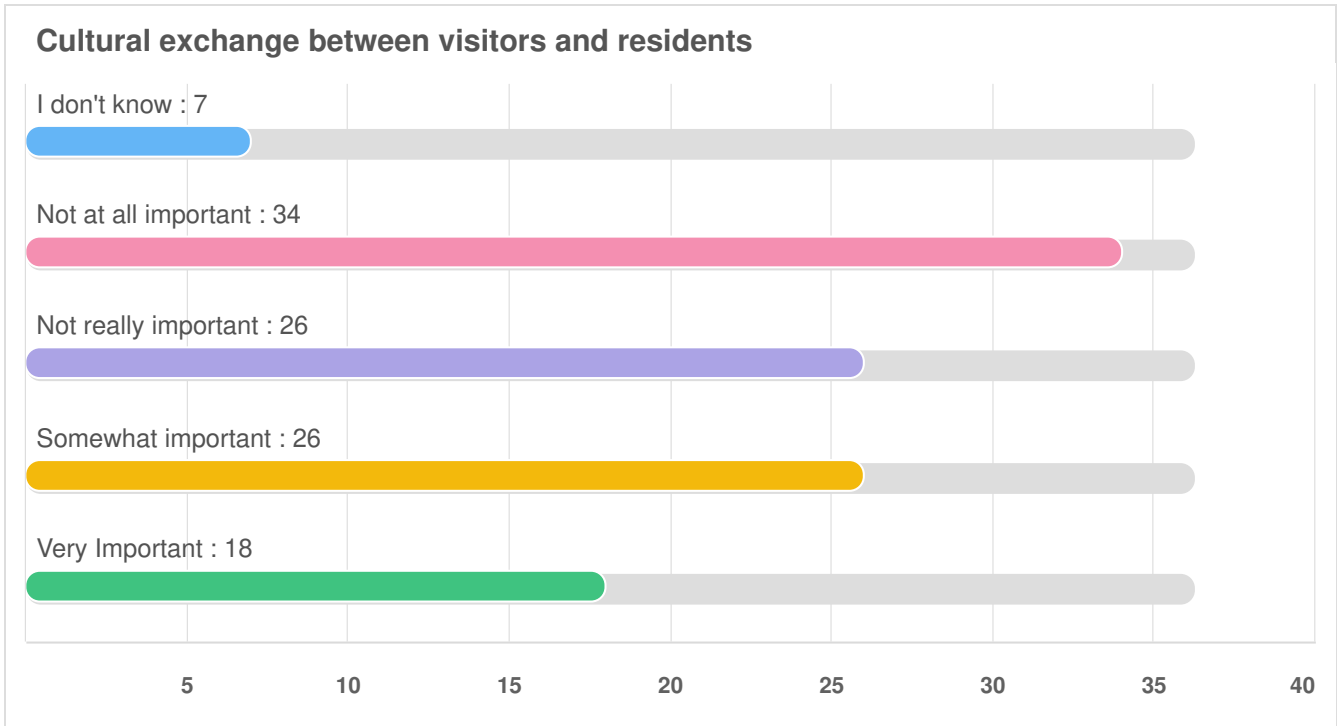
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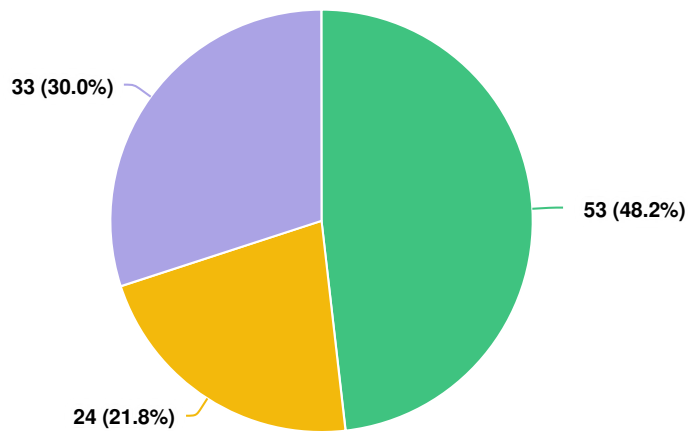
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Q7 | Do you live adjacent to, or near (within 100 metres), of a known vacation rental?



Question options

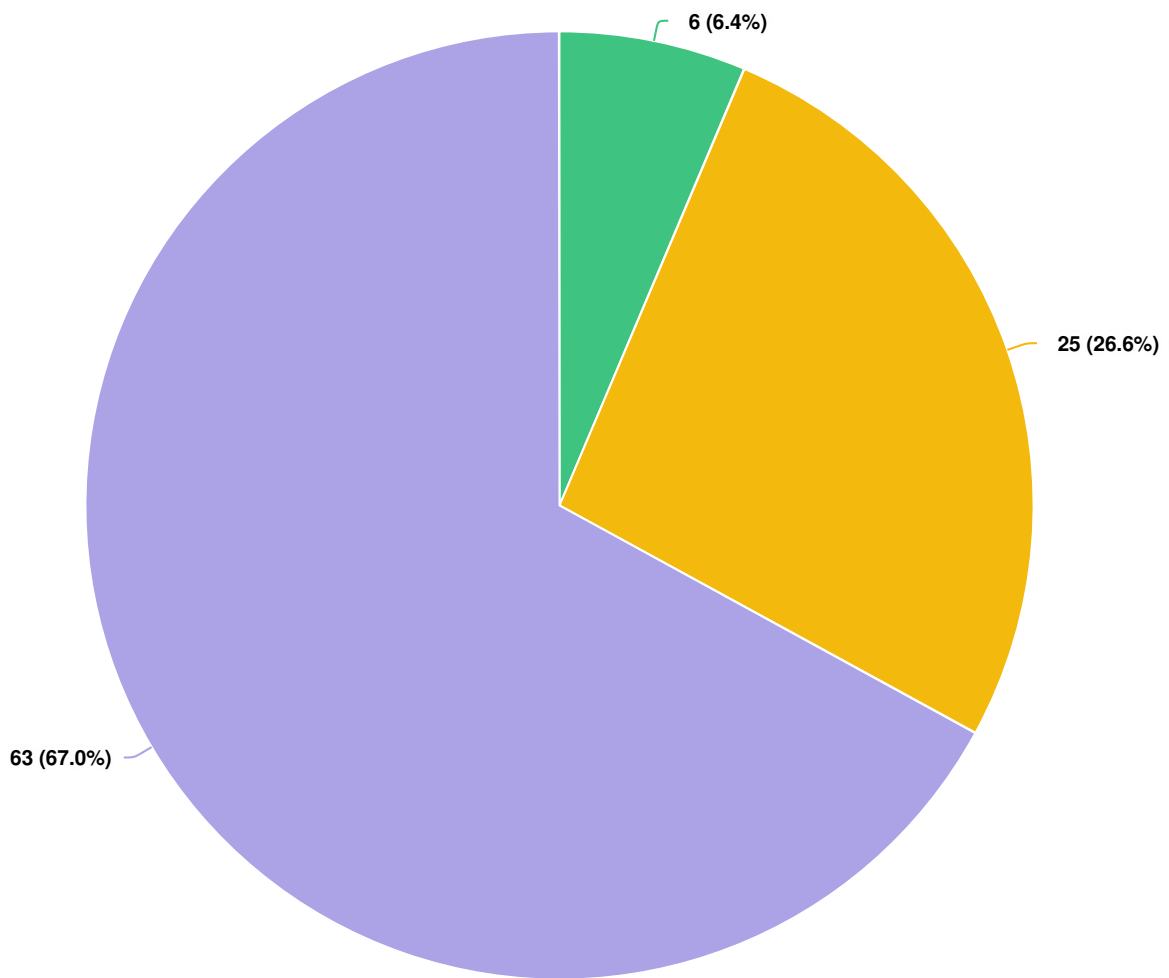
- Don't know
- No
- Yes

Optional question (109 response(s), 4 skipped)

Question type: Dropdown Question

Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? Other-(please-specify)

Q8 | To your knowledge, does the vacation rental near you have a Temporary Use Permit to operate from the Regional District? Note: you would have received a letter from the RDOS notifying you of a proposed vacation rental TUP if you live within 100 metr...



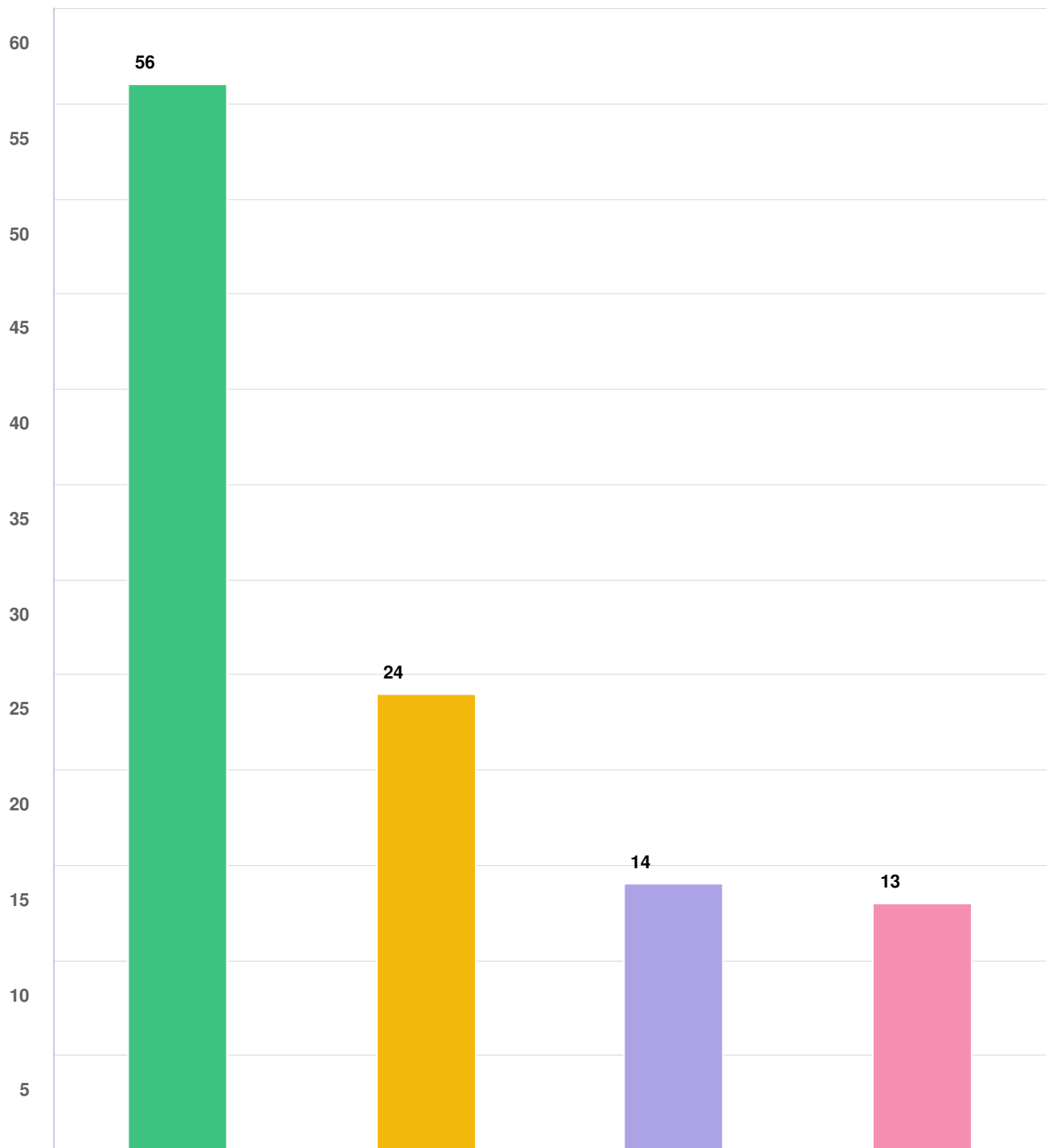
Question options

- Don't know
- No
- Yes

Optional question (93 response(s), 20 skipped)
Question type: Dropdown Question

Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? Other-(please-specify)

Q9 From your own experiences, please indicate your history with nearby vacation rentals.



Question options

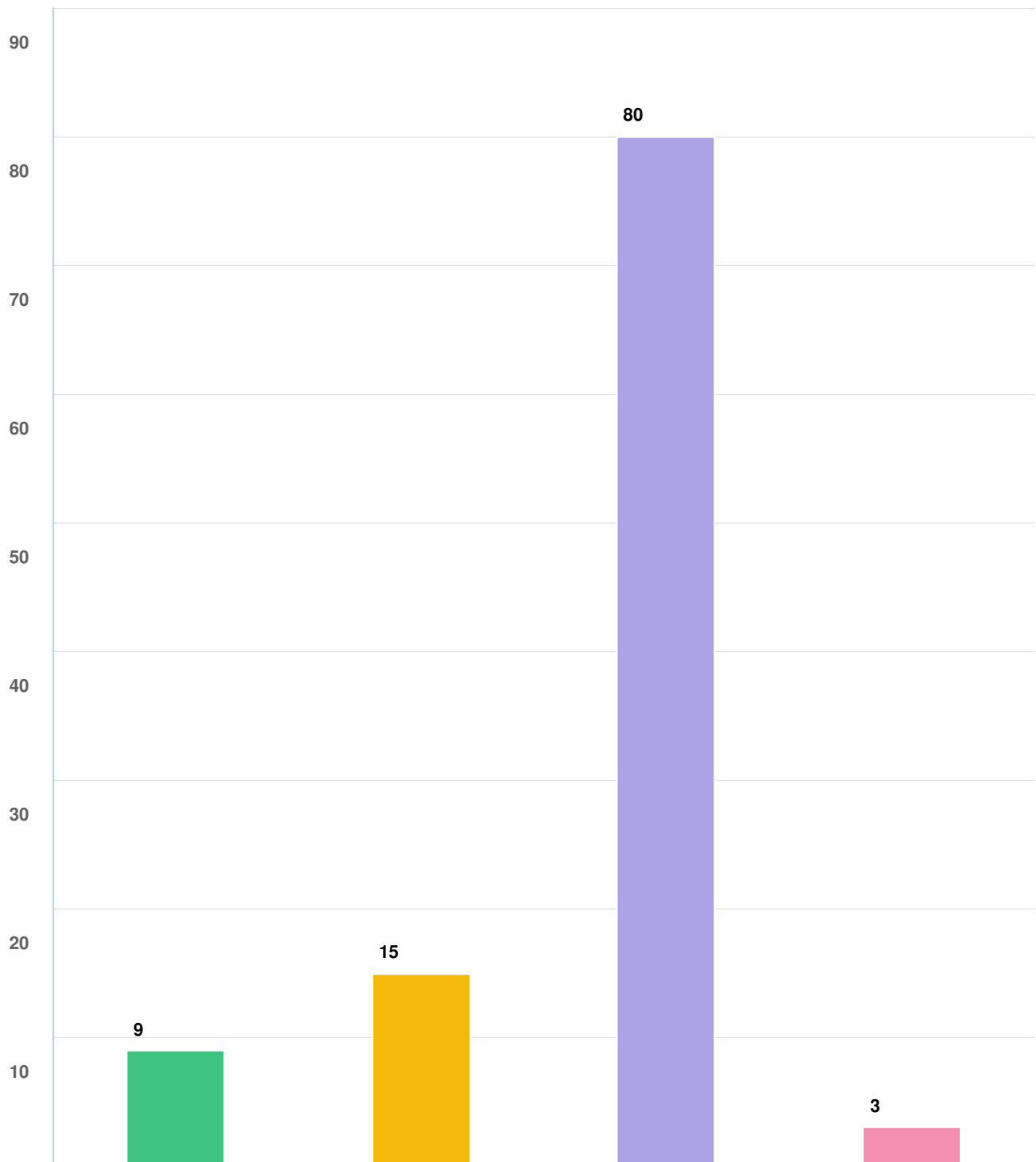
- Other (please describe):
- I am bothered regularly by a nearby vacation rental
- I have been occasionally bothered by a nearby vacation rental
- I haven't been bothered by nearby vacation rentals

Optional question (106 response(s), 7 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? Other-(please-specify)

Q10 | If you have had any problems with a nearby vacation rental in the past, did having the contact information of the local property manager help to resolve the issue(s)?



Question options

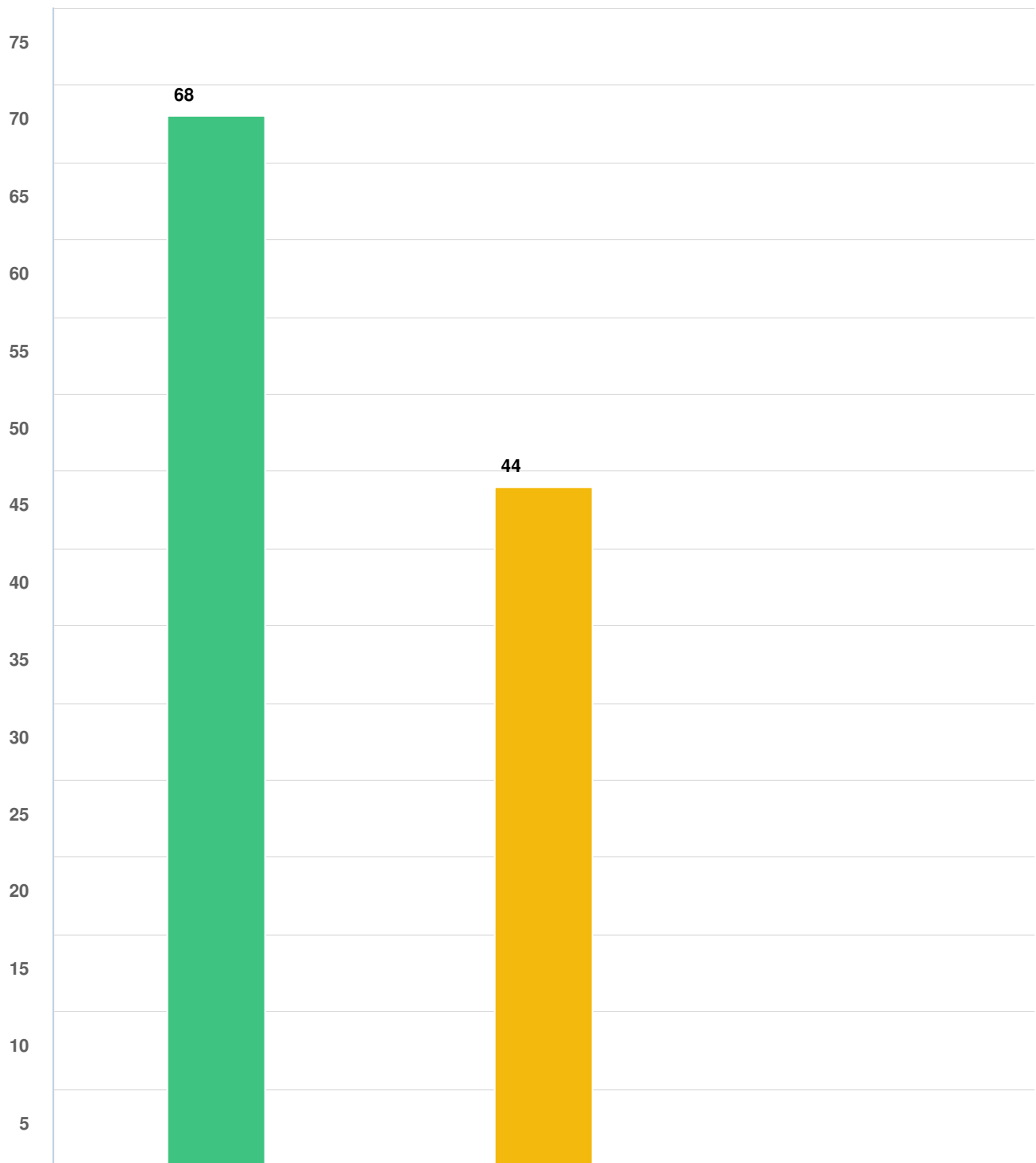
- Other (please specify)/comments:
- Not applicable
- No
- Yes

Optional question (105 response(s), 8 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? Other-(please-specify)

Q11 Have you ever stayed in a vacation rental while traveling?



Question options

- Don't know
- No
- Yes

Optional question (111 response(s), 2 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? Other-(please-specify)

Q12 | Why did you choose to stay in a vacation rental instead of a hotel/motel or a bed and breakfast?

Screen Name Redacted 2/28/2023 01:09 PM	better value, feels more like home, more room or space
Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 02:29 AM	Affordable
Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 08:36 AM	Family friendly and comfortable
Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 09:14 AM	It was more family friendly than a hotel/motel. We were able to cook our own meals and have a little more private space.
Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 10:09 AM	Larger area to relax, full kitchen, better parking
Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 12:29 PM	Price
Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 01:12 PM	Often there is more space, privacy and amenities than either of the other options, such as laundry, kitchen, deck etc...
Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 02:40 PM	Better amenities i.e., kitchen, etc. cheaper
Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 03:45 PM	access to full kitchen. more bedrooms/living areas
Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 04:11 PM	We use vacation rentals when travelling often to a) expand choice of where to stay b) have more comfortable accommodation c) have kitchens to self cater d) have better sleeping arrangements for family etc. etc.
Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 04:11 PM	Closer to people visiting
Screen Name Redacted	Better organization for the family and pets.

1/11/2023 04:53 PM

Screen Name Redacted

Price

1/11/2023 06:57 PM

Screen Name Redacted

so we could cook our own meals.

1/11/2023 08:38 PM

Screen Name Redacted

Better options, better locations, better pricing

1/11/2023 08:58 PM

Screen Name Redacted

More affordable than the hotel option.

1/11/2023 09:05 PM

Screen Name Redacted

More space for the multi generational family, wanted a kitchen and private pool

1/11/2023 11:37 PM

Screen Name Redacted

Location

1/12/2023 08:02 AM

Screen Name Redacted

Cheaper, more personalized and cleaner.

1/12/2023 03:25 PM

Screen Name Redacted

Convenient, larger, quieter space, privacy, pool.

1/12/2023 03:36 PM

Screen Name Redacted

I have a dog and wanted a yard for her.

1/12/2023 03:45 PM

Screen Name Redacted

Air BnB used to be less expensive however now the prices have increased compared to hotels.

1/12/2023 04:20 PM

Screen Name Redacted

More space, better value

1/12/2023 08:42 PM

Screen Name Redacted

Was limited availability.

1/13/2023 01:08 PM

Screen Name Redacted

More flexibility, better privacy and having a kitchen. More homey feel

1/14/2023 02:16 PM

Screen Name Redacted 1/14/2023 06:25 PM	Location and price
Screen Name Redacted 1/17/2023 08:06 PM	Safety during Covid and in countries with dangerous places. Not liking massive resorts.
Screen Name Redacted 1/18/2023 07:50 PM	A unique experience
Screen Name Redacted 1/18/2023 08:17 PM	Quite. More accommodating for family gathering
Screen Name Redacted 1/19/2023 08:34 AM	Space, kitchen, long term.
Screen Name Redacted 1/19/2023 06:14 PM	More home like. Kitchen bedrooms etc
Screen Name Redacted 1/19/2023 07:32 PM	Accommodates large family
Screen Name Redacted 1/20/2023 03:35 AM	Kitchen and location
Screen Name Redacted 1/20/2023 06:56 PM	We stayed for two months.
Screen Name Redacted 1/21/2023 11:09 AM	Small group travelling together
Screen Name Redacted 1/21/2023 05:49 PM	Own kitchen/living area
Screen Name Redacted 1/22/2023 08:36 AM	There was nothing else available where we were going to be closer to my family.
Screen Name Redacted 1/25/2023 10:14 AM	More like home and that's important for families
Screen Name Redacted	Offered more at more reasonable price.

1/28/2023 09:23 AM

Screen Name Redacted

With a family of 5 a house is more conducive to our needs

1/28/2023 03:28 PM

Screen Name Redacted

better bang for the buck usually at a vacation rental and pet friendly

1/31/2023 03:47 PM

Screen Name Redacted

Location to a historic place and the history of the home

2/01/2023 07:47 AM

Screen Name Redacted

More space for multiple families to stay together

2/01/2023 08:11 AM

Screen Name Redacted

Extra space, ability to cook

2/01/2023 11:35 AM

Screen Name Redacted

Better experience than hotel

2/01/2023 11:42 AM

Screen Name Redacted

Nicer, cleaner, more hospitable, more character, friendlier, cost effective.

2/01/2023 11:40 AM

Screen Name Redacted

All that was available

2/01/2023 12:05 PM

Screen Name Redacted

I love being in a neighbourhood. We enjoy the room they offer and outdoor space. It makes longer term travel more affordable for all and provides the travellers the opportunity to spend more time and money in the area. Staying in hotels and eating in restaurants are quite preventative for some. Visiting local markets and stores are a wonderful option. These types of stays provide the opportunity to go biking, hiking, fishing, exploring etc. which hotels tend to not offer because hosts provide directions, information and various items required to enjoy local activities (bikes, fishing gear, kayaks, life jackets, etc.)

2/01/2023 11:43 AM

Screen Name Redacted

Full home-like facilities.

2/01/2023 12:00 PM

Screen Name Redacted

Freedom to come and go. More amenities in vacation rentals

2/01/2023 11:59 AM

Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:13 PM	More homely and relaxing. Cheaper too.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:18 PM	Cheaper
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:26 PM	More affordable, access to kitchen
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:32 PM	Convenience of having a kitchen, more peace and quiet.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:51 PM	Better suited for family or small groups
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 01:05 PM	I am able to have private accommodation and have cooking facilities. Money goes to local people rather than corporations
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 01:05 PM	More family friendly, more economical for a family, kitchen
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 01:34 PM	It was a bachelorette party for close family, organized by someone else, and they had already arranged the accomodations, which were outside the city. So it would have been difficult to participate otherwise.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 03:54 PM	My husband needs to stay busy. He does home repairs for the owners who are extremely grateful.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 04:15 PM	Price, comfort (homeyness), ability to cook our own meals for a larger group
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 05:23 PM	Cost and location
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 07:21 PM	Close to destination

Screen Name Redacted We were a large family of 6 and needed room with 2 small dogs. It
2/02/2023 07:54 AM was cheaper accommodation for us.

Screen Name Redacted There wasn't anything else available
2/02/2023 05:24 PM

Screen Name Redacted cost savings for me and my family
2/03/2023 03:25 PM

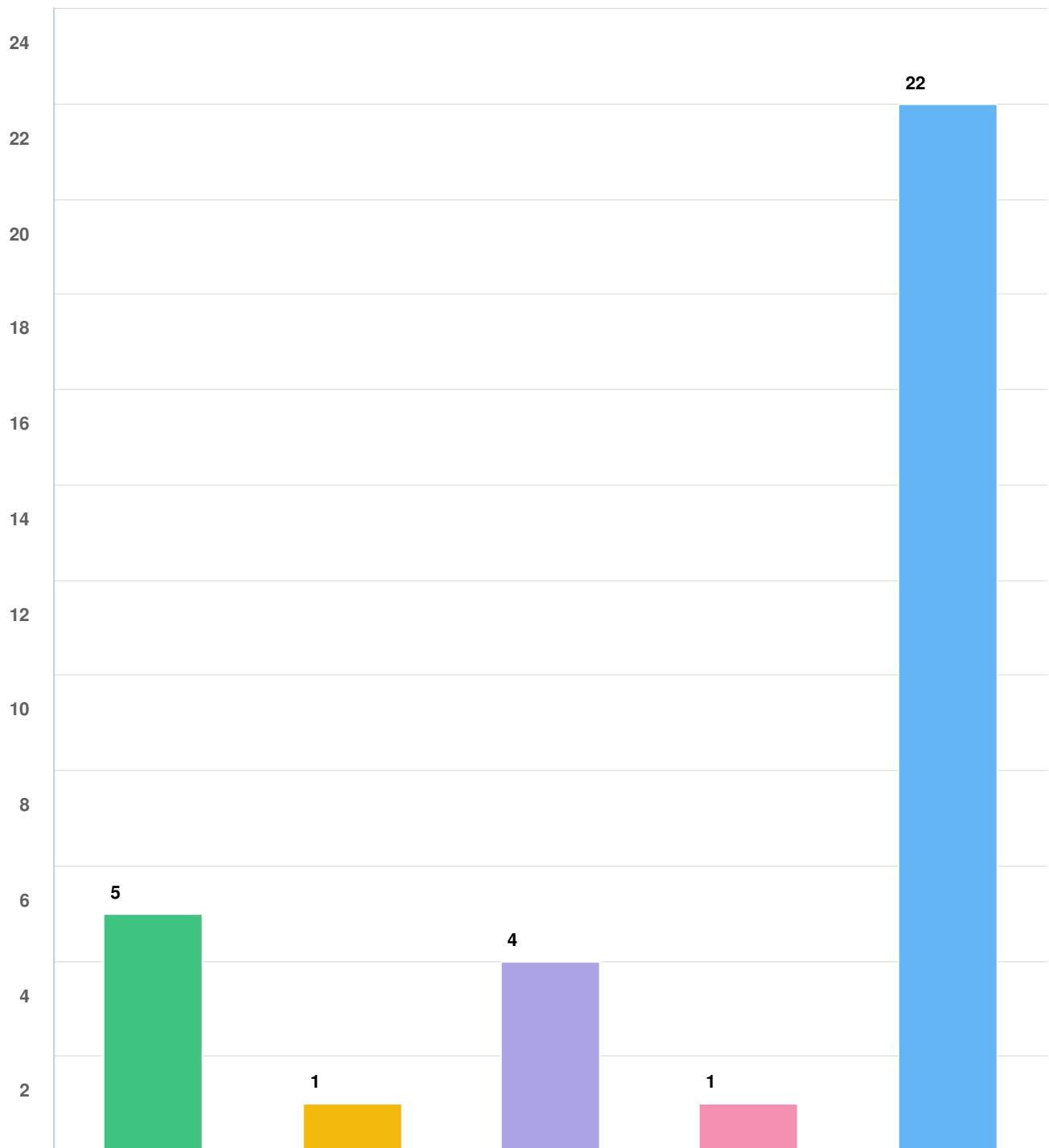
Screen Name Redacted There were no other options available for our travel dates.
2/07/2023 10:35 AM

Optional question (65 response(s), 48 skipped)

Question type: Essay Question

Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? Other-(please-specify)

Q13 If you operate a vacation rental and do not hold a Temporary Use Permit, what are the reasons you have not obtained one?



Question options

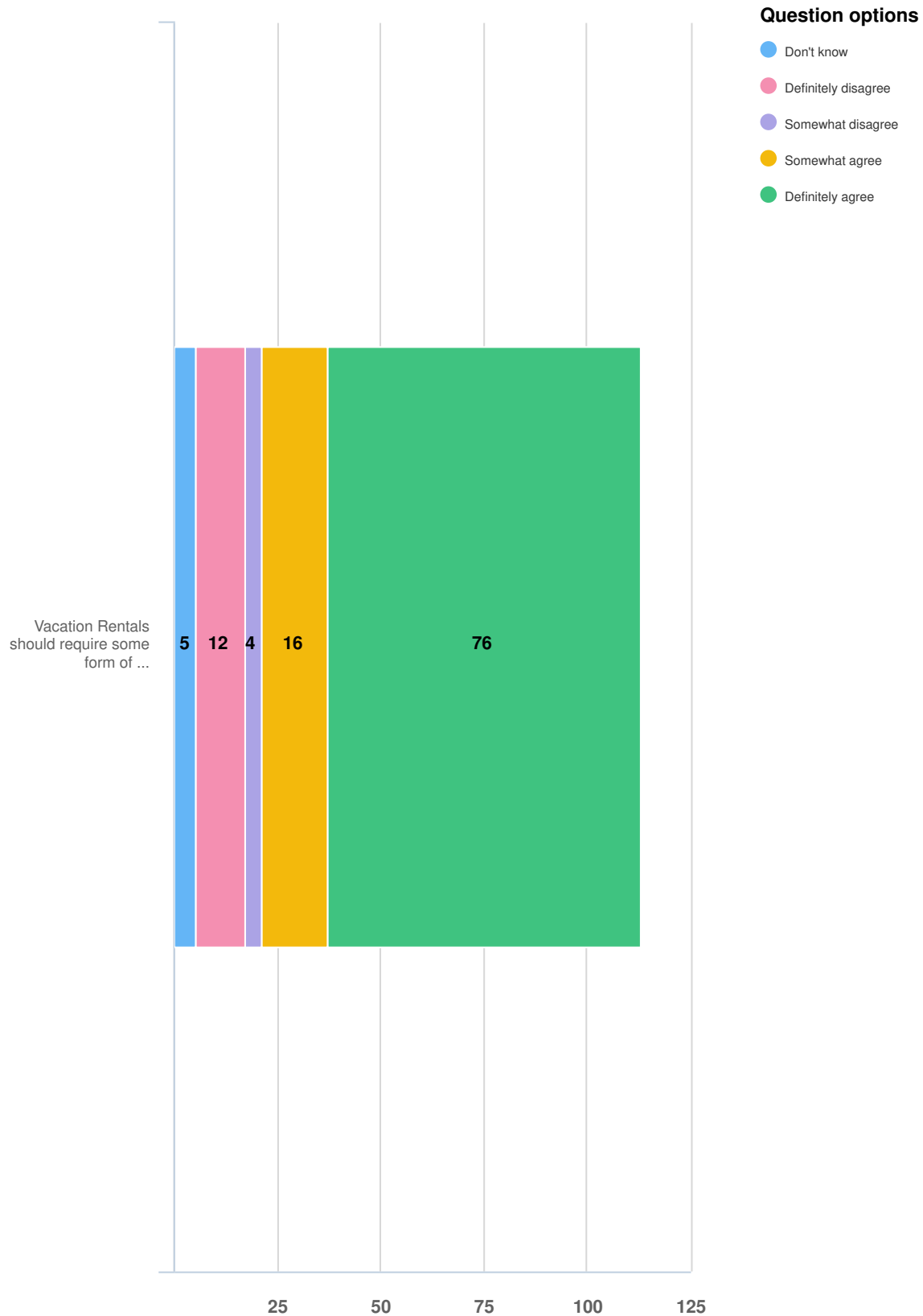
- Other (please specify)
- I didn't think it would get approved
- I believe I should be allowed to rent without any permit
- It was too expensive
- I didn't know I had to

Optional question (29 response(s), 84 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? Other-(please-specify)

Q14 | **Regulatory Options** Unlike a municipality, the Regional District does not have the legal authority under the Local Government Act to issue business licences. As a result, since 2014 the Regional District has relied on the use of Temporary Use Permits...

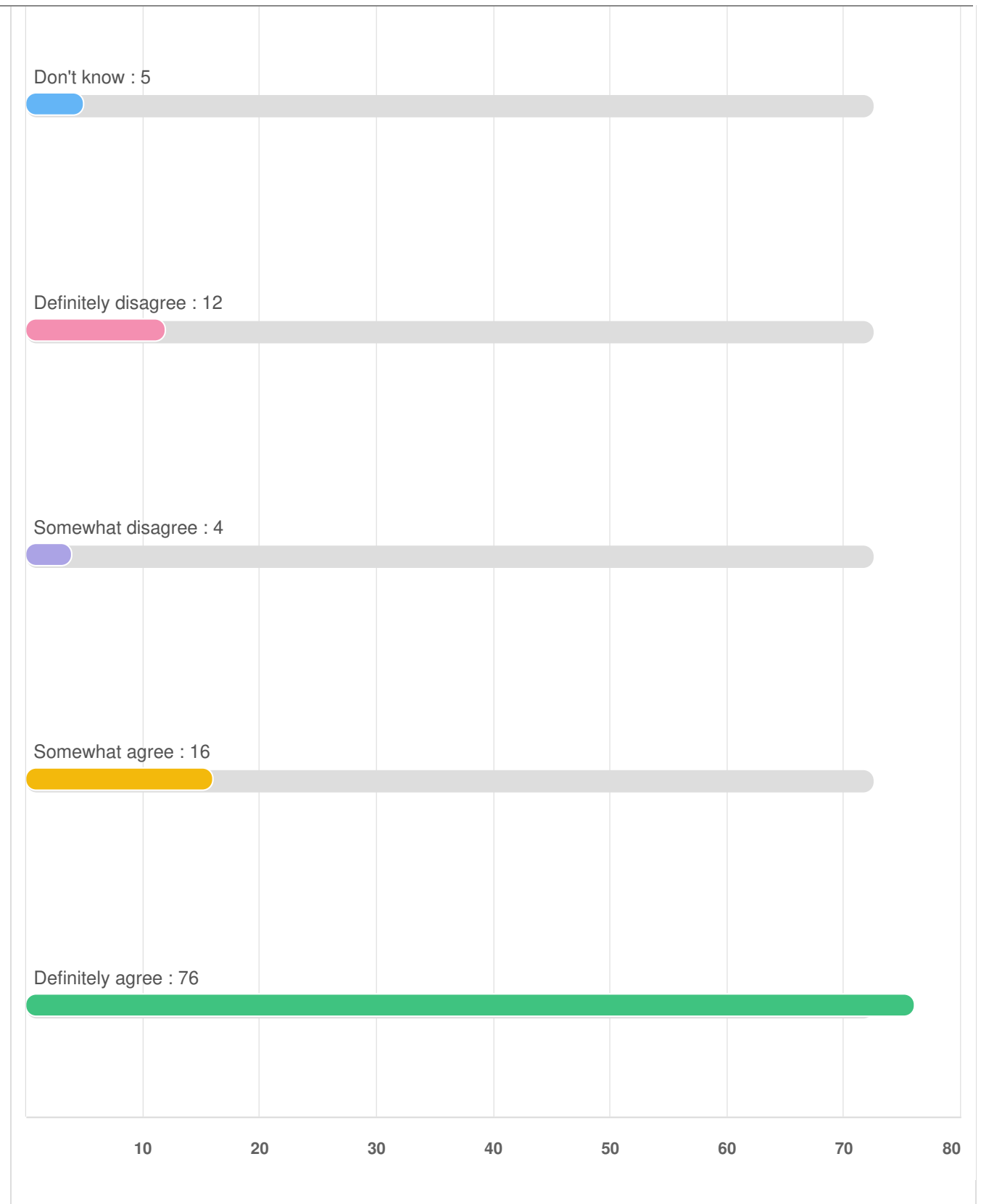


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Question type: Likert Question

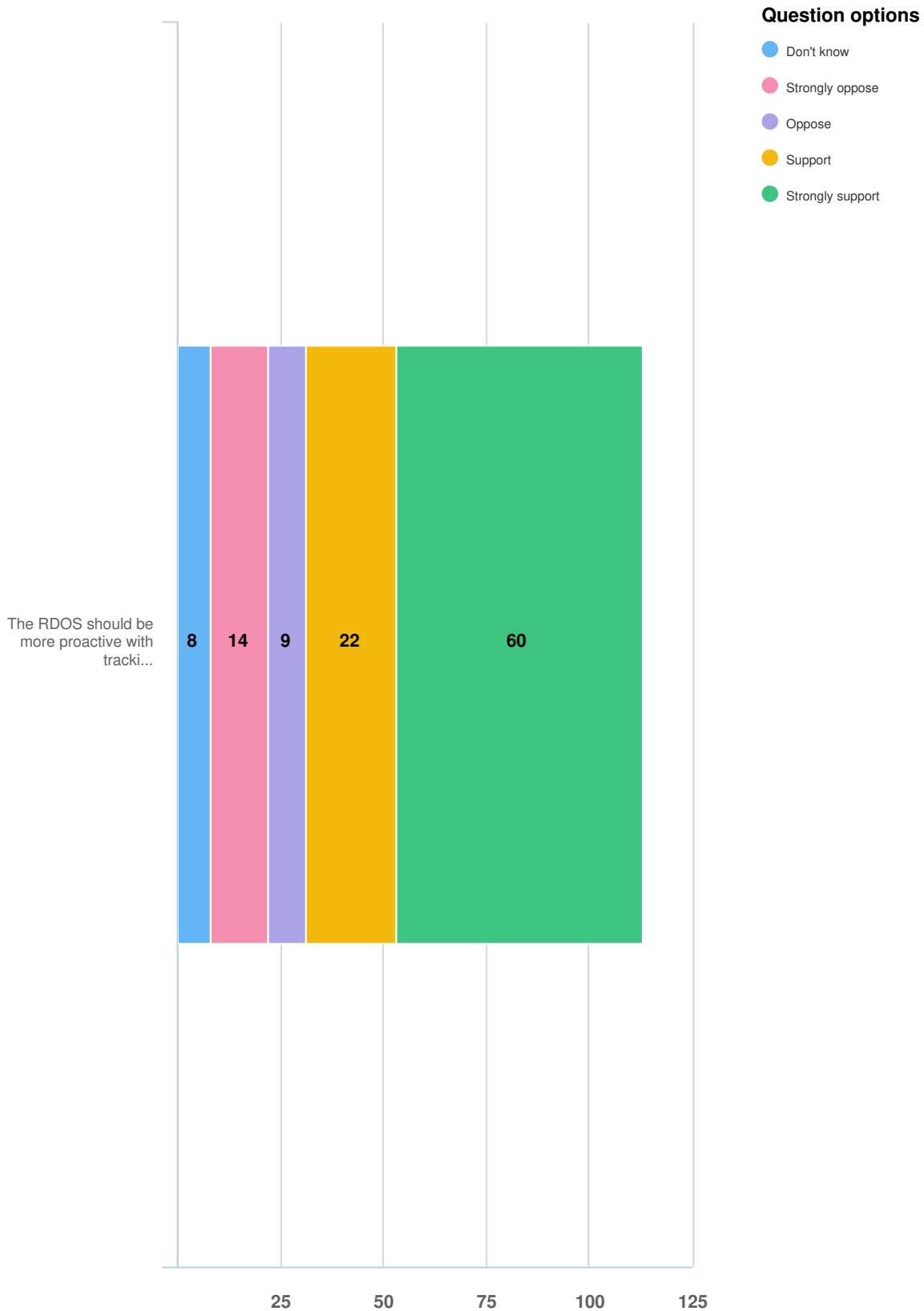
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Vacation Rentals should require some form of permitting from the RDOS.



Q15 | A noise complaint is currently dealt with through a 24-hour phone line. A complaint about a Vacation Rental and land use in general is processed through a complaint form submitted by the person voicing the complaint. A file is then opened and inve...

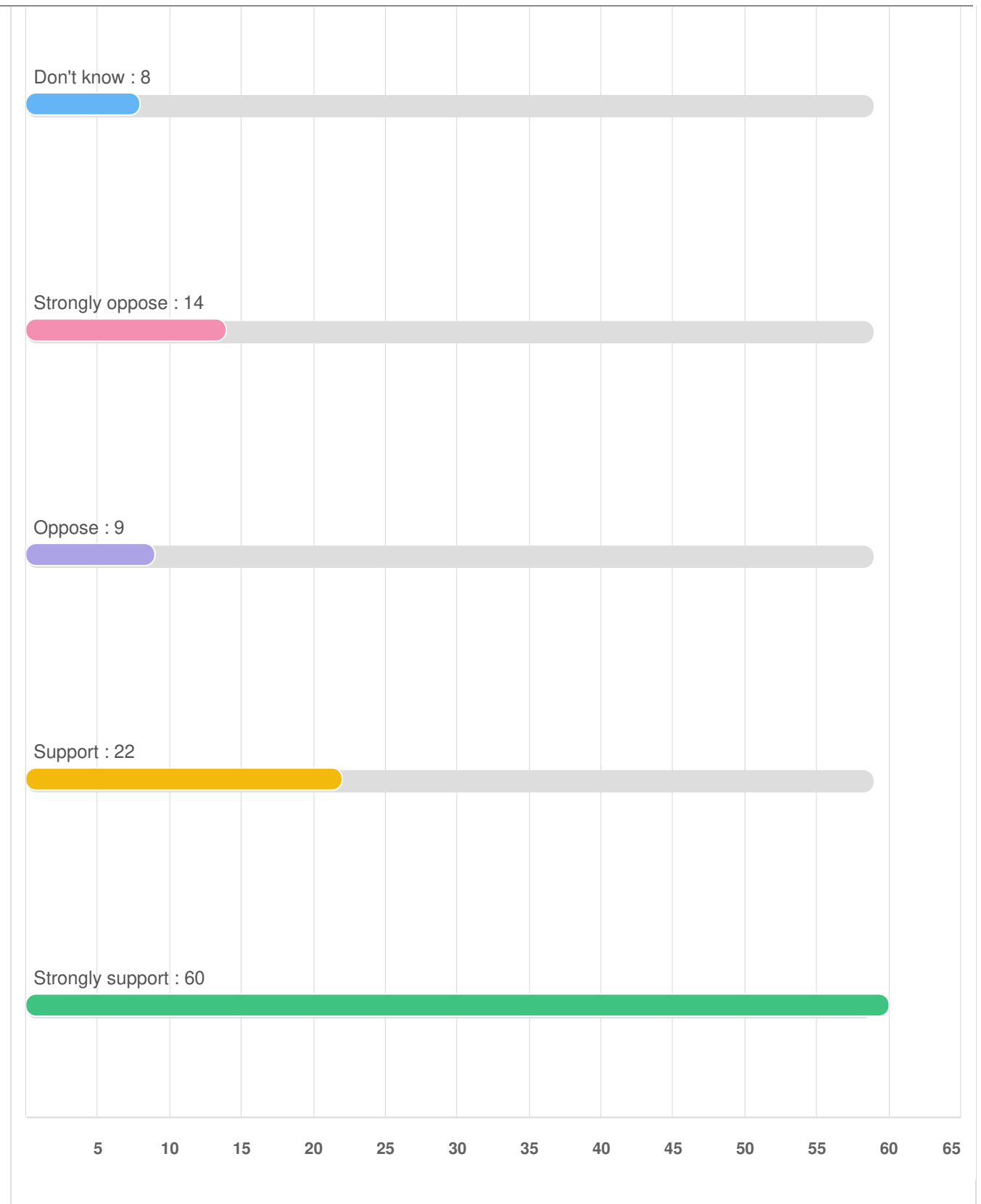


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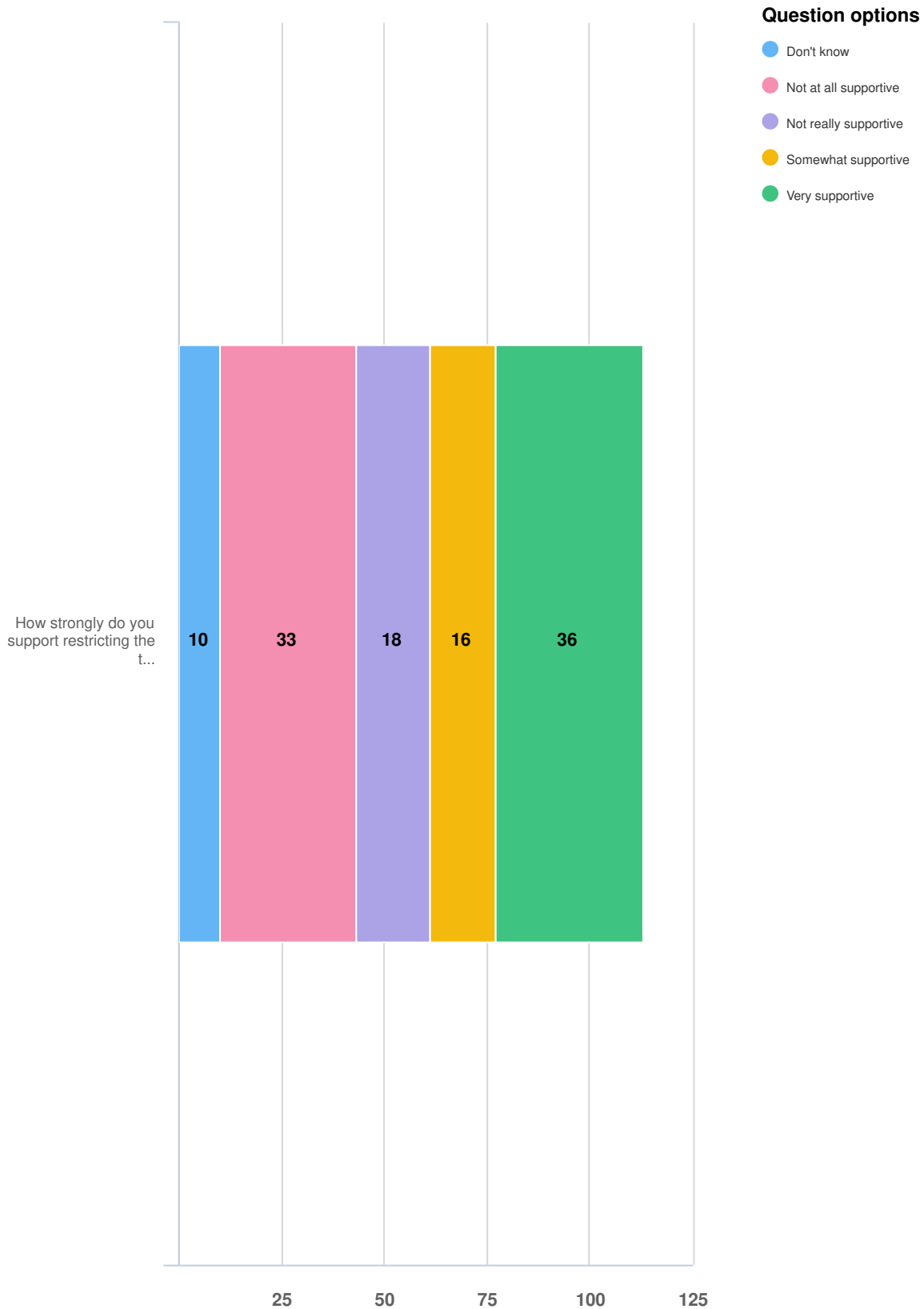
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The RDOS should be more proactive with tracking and enforcing Vacation Rentals



Q16 | Some municipalities distinguish between year-round short term rentals and occasional seasonal rentals. Currently a Temporary Use Permit (TUP) for Vacation Rental includes a restriction that the use can only take place between May 1st and October 31...

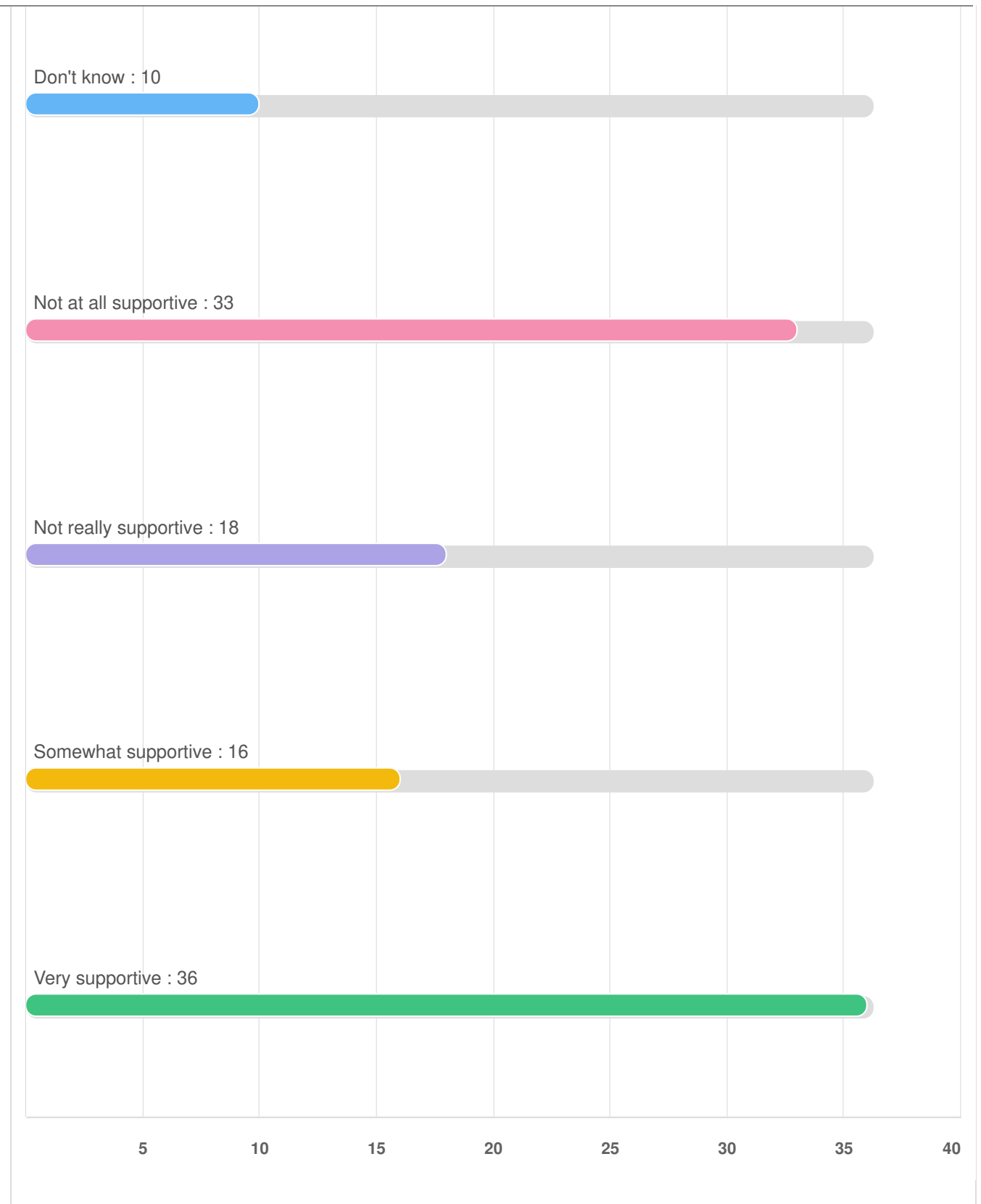


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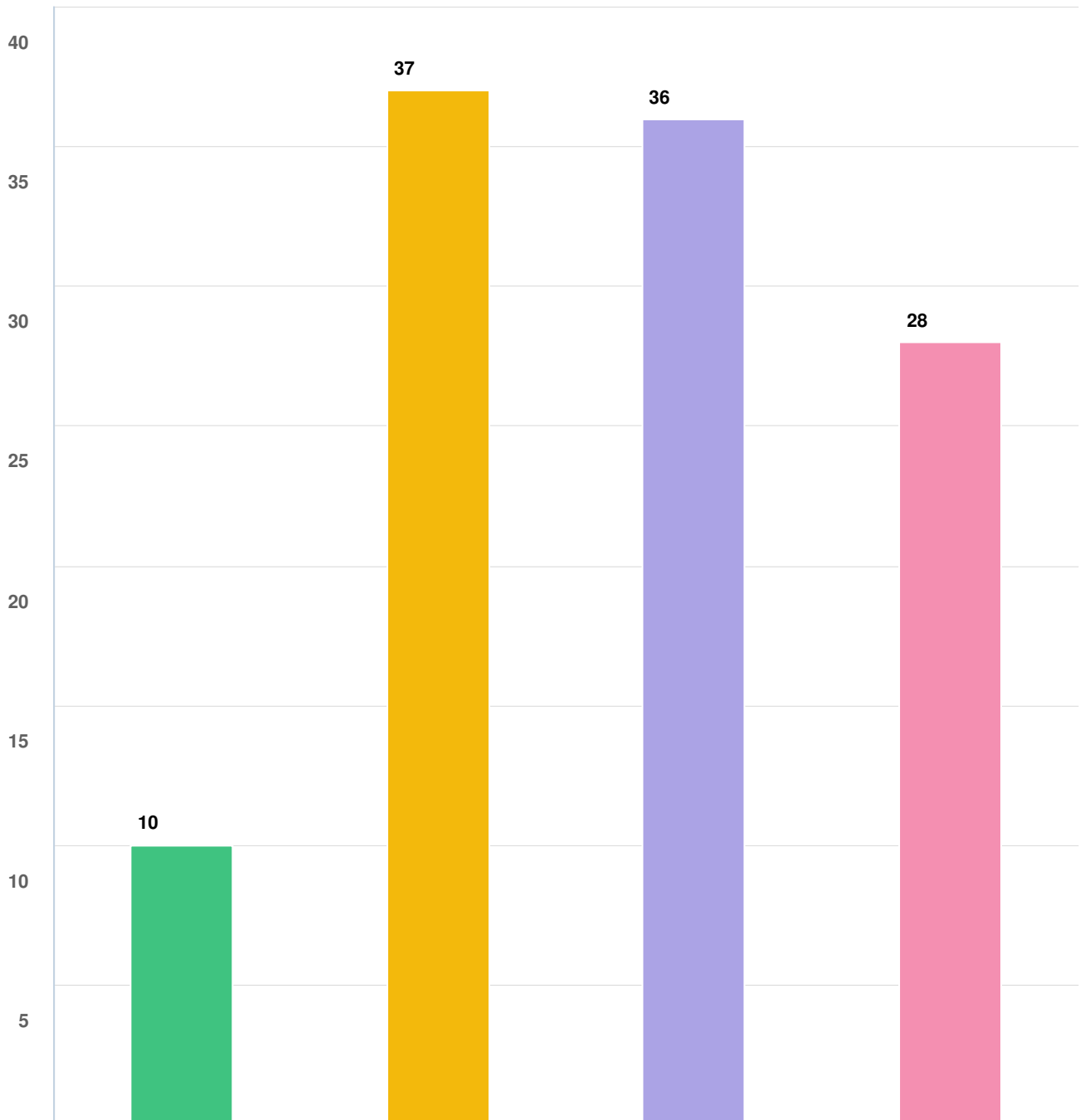
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Q16 | Some municipalities distinguish between year-round short term rentals and occasional seasonal rentals. Currently a Temporary Use Permit (TUP) for Vacation Rental includes a restriction that the use can only take place between May 1st and October 31...

How strongly do you support restricting the timeframe of operating a Vacation Rental?



Q17 Under current RDOS bylaws a property owner may rent out their entire primary house, a secondary suite, or an accessory/secondary house (including a carriage house) as a Vacation Rental. Please indicate which of the following situations would be yo...



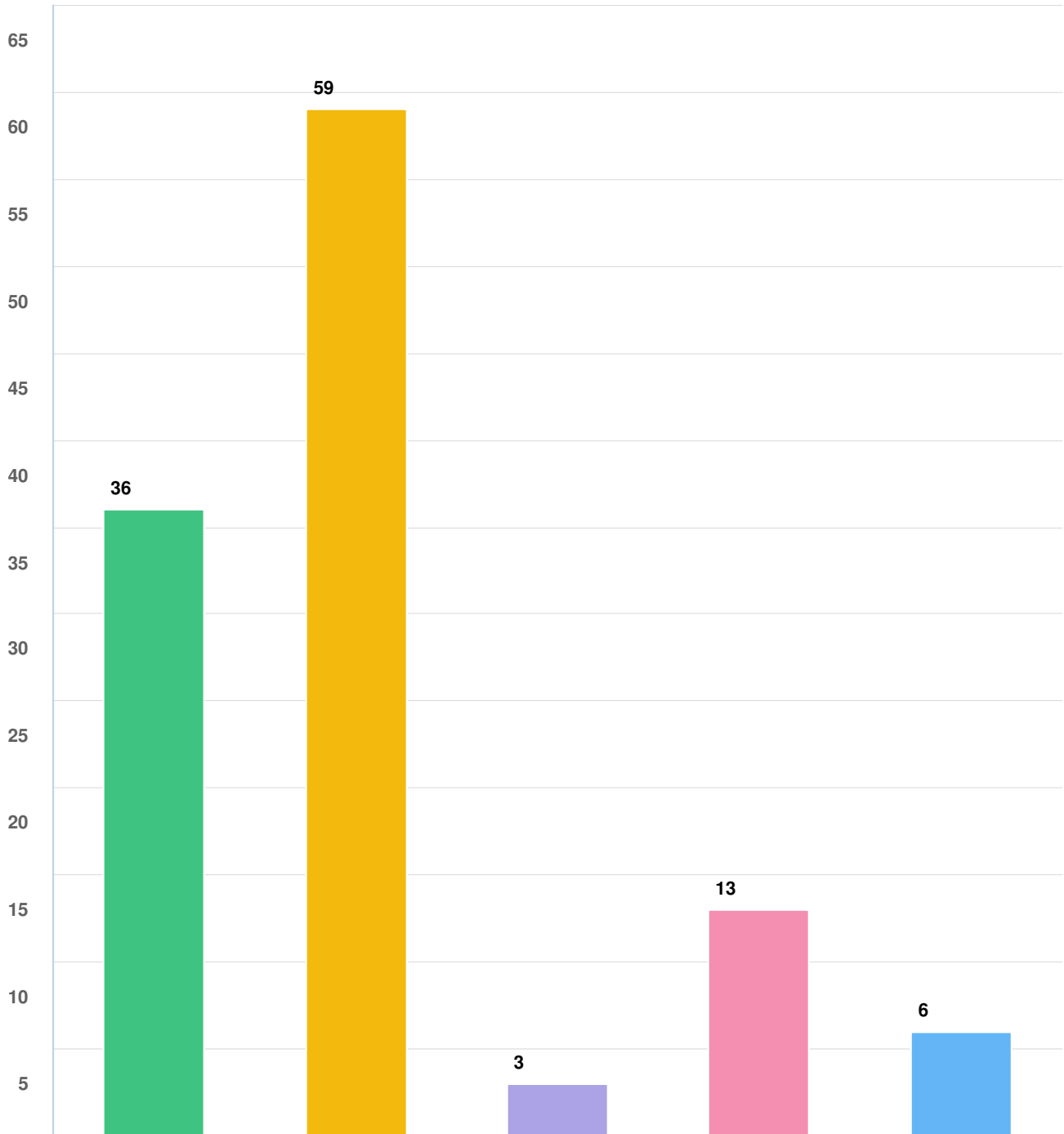
Question options

- Allow Vacation Rentals in the primary house OR a secondary suite OR accessory/secondary house ONLY
- Allow vacation Rentals in BOTH the primary house and a secondary suite or accessory/secondary house
- Restrict Vacation Rentals to a secondary suite or accessory/secondary house only
- Restrict Vacation Rentals to the primary house only

Optional question (109 response(s), 4 skipped)
Question type: Checkbox Question

Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? Other-(please-specify)

Q18 Current RDOS bylaws permit up to ten persons, with an aggregate of two persons per bedroom in a Vacation Rental. Please indicate which of the following situations would be your preference should the RDOS amend bylaws applicable to Vacation Rentals.



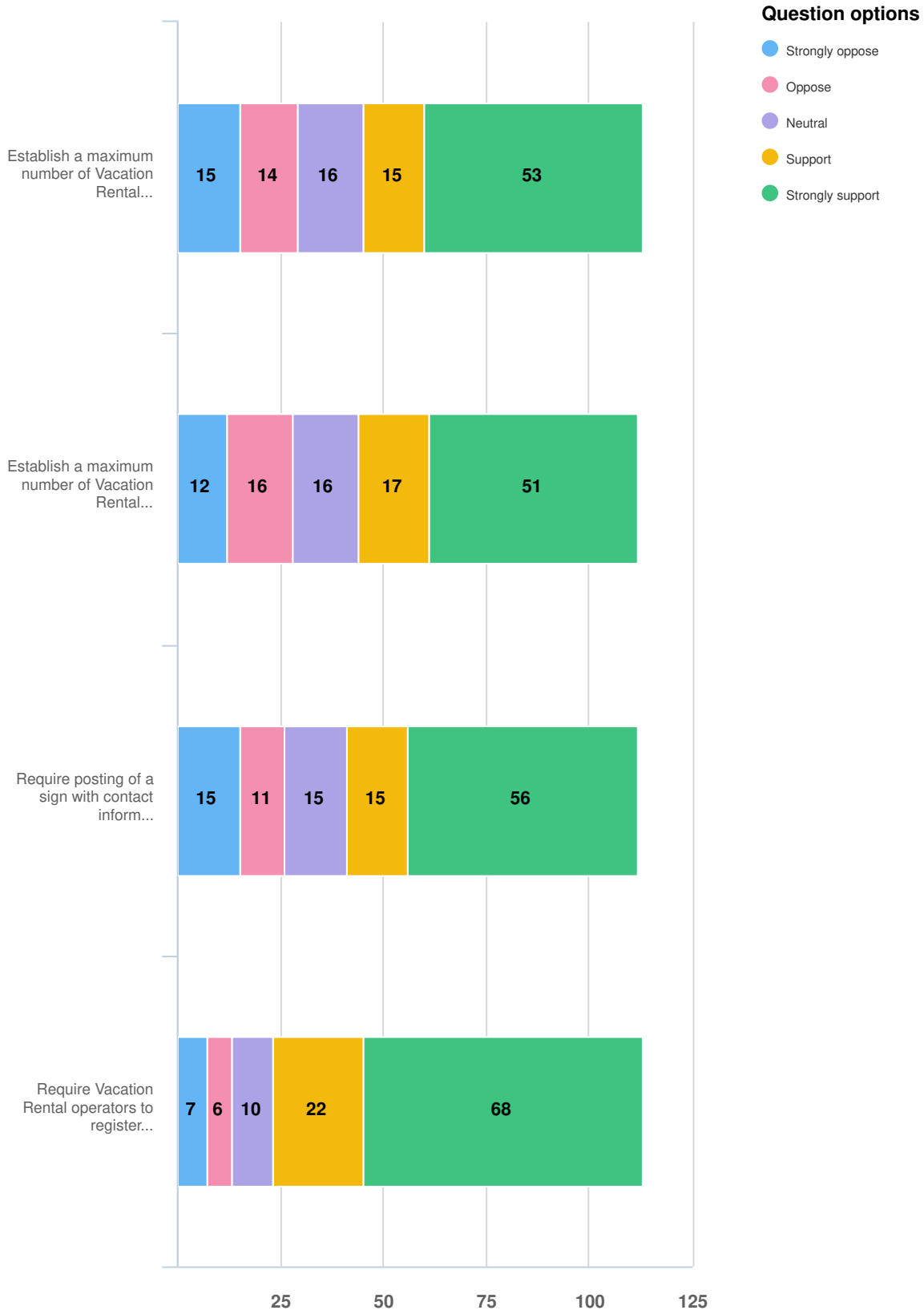
Question options

- Other (please specify)/comments:
- Remove the maximum cap on people permitted within a Vacation Rental
- Increase the maximum
- Lower the maximum
- Keep the current maximum of 10 people permitted within a Vacation Rental

Optional question (112 response(s), 1 skipped)
 Question type: *Checkbox Question*

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Q19 Below are a few ideas to reduce the possible impact of Vacation Rentals on residential neighbourhoods. Please indicate your level of support for the following:



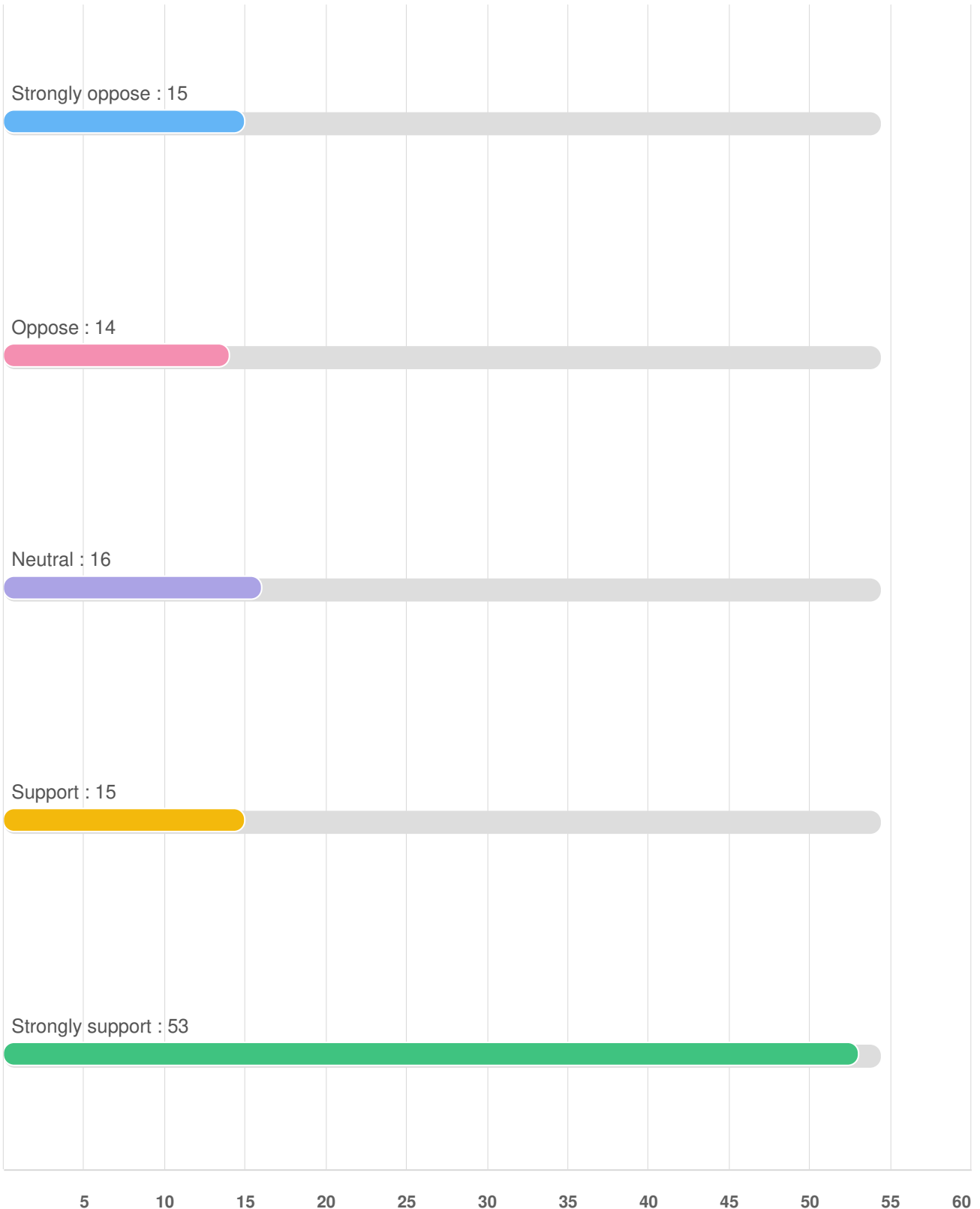
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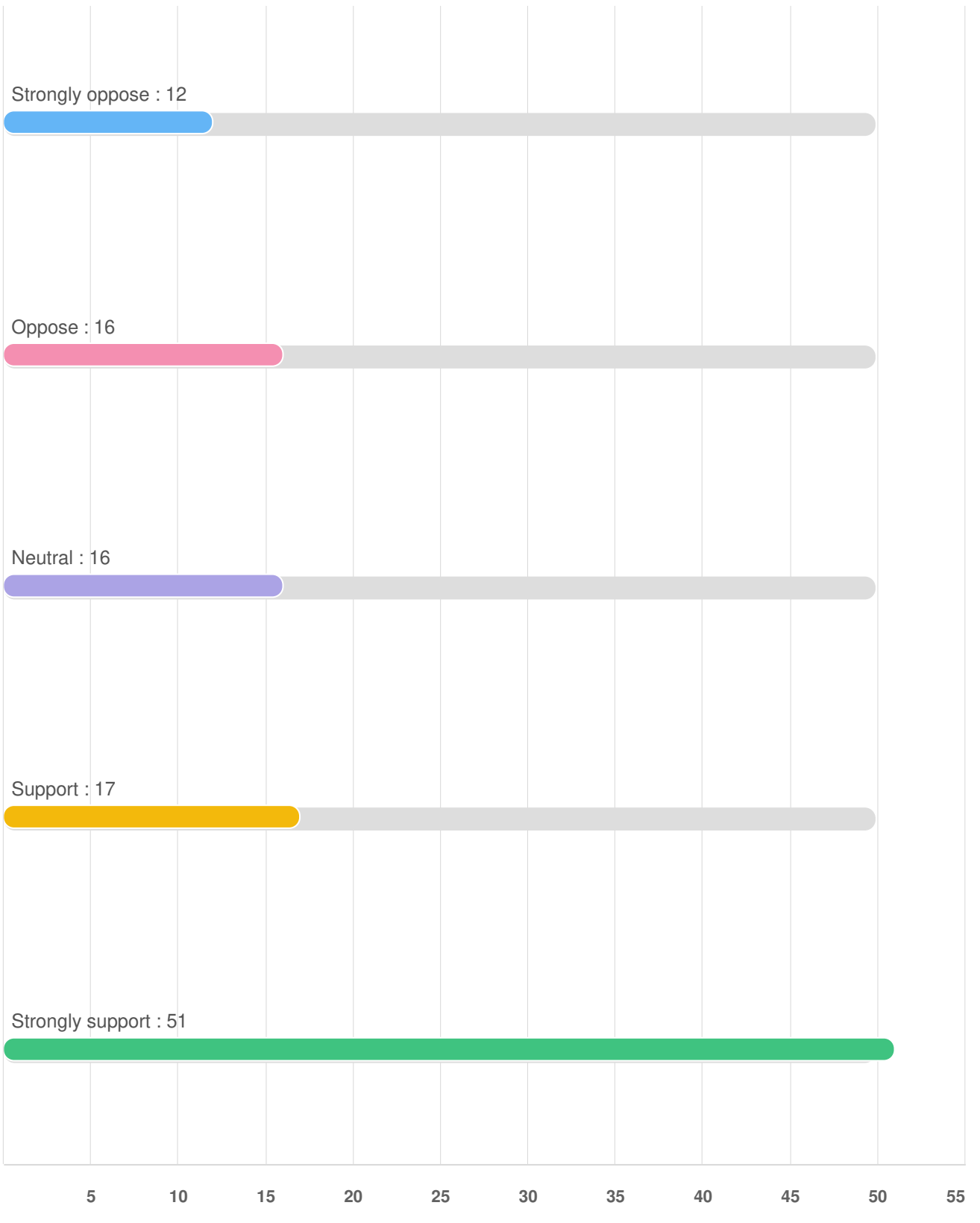
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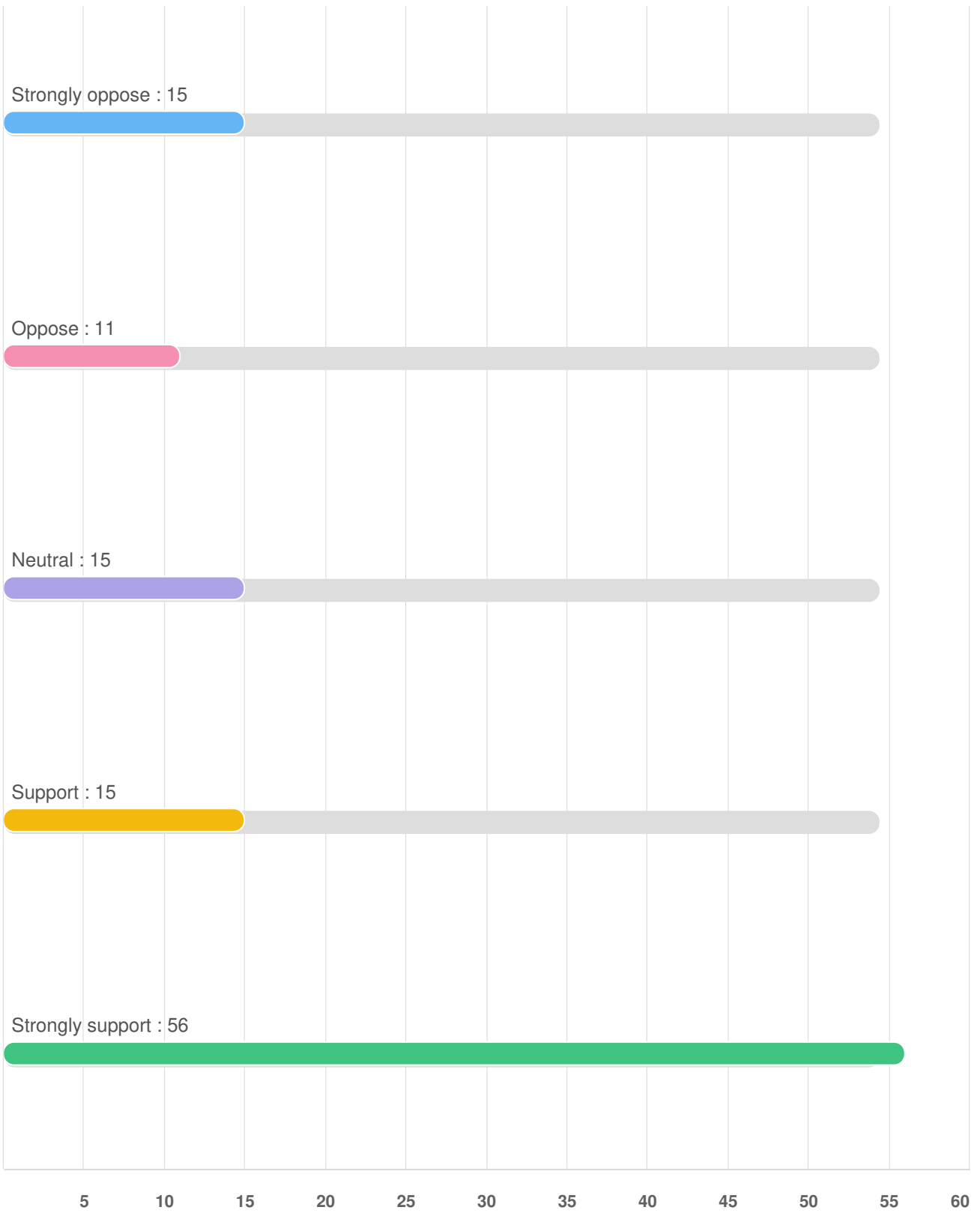
Establish a maximum number of Vacation Rentals allowed within an Electoral Area



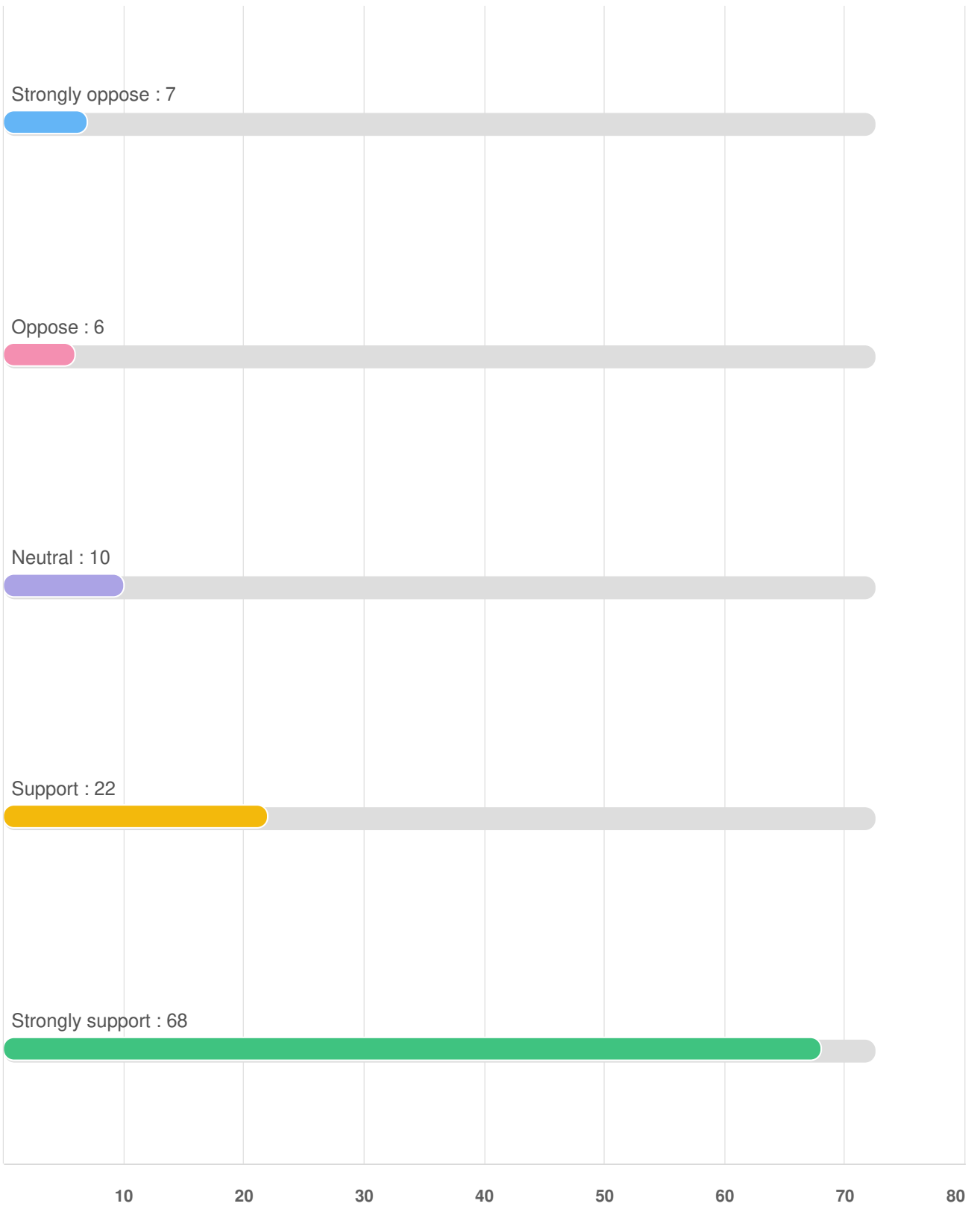
Establish a maximum number of Vacation Rentals allowed within a specific radius (e.g. 250 metres) of each other



Require posting of a sign with contact information for the Vacation Rental operator that can be seen by neighbours



Require Vacation Rental operators to register on the RDOS website with current contact information for the Vacation Rental



Q20 | Currently RDOS staff require a number of items to be provided for review prior to Board consideration whether or not to approve a Vacation Rental Temporary Use Permit (TUP). Please indicate your level of support for the following current requiremen...

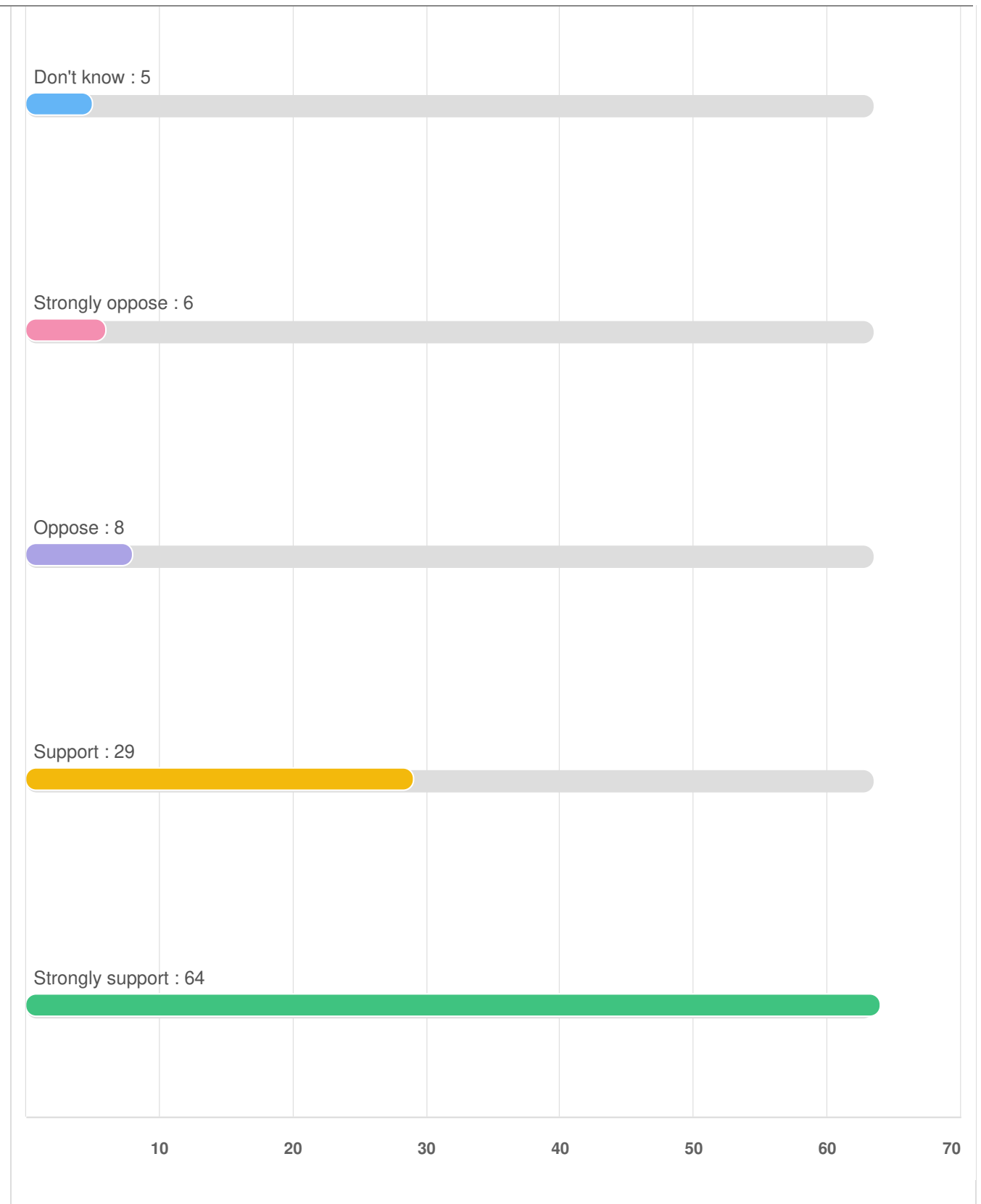


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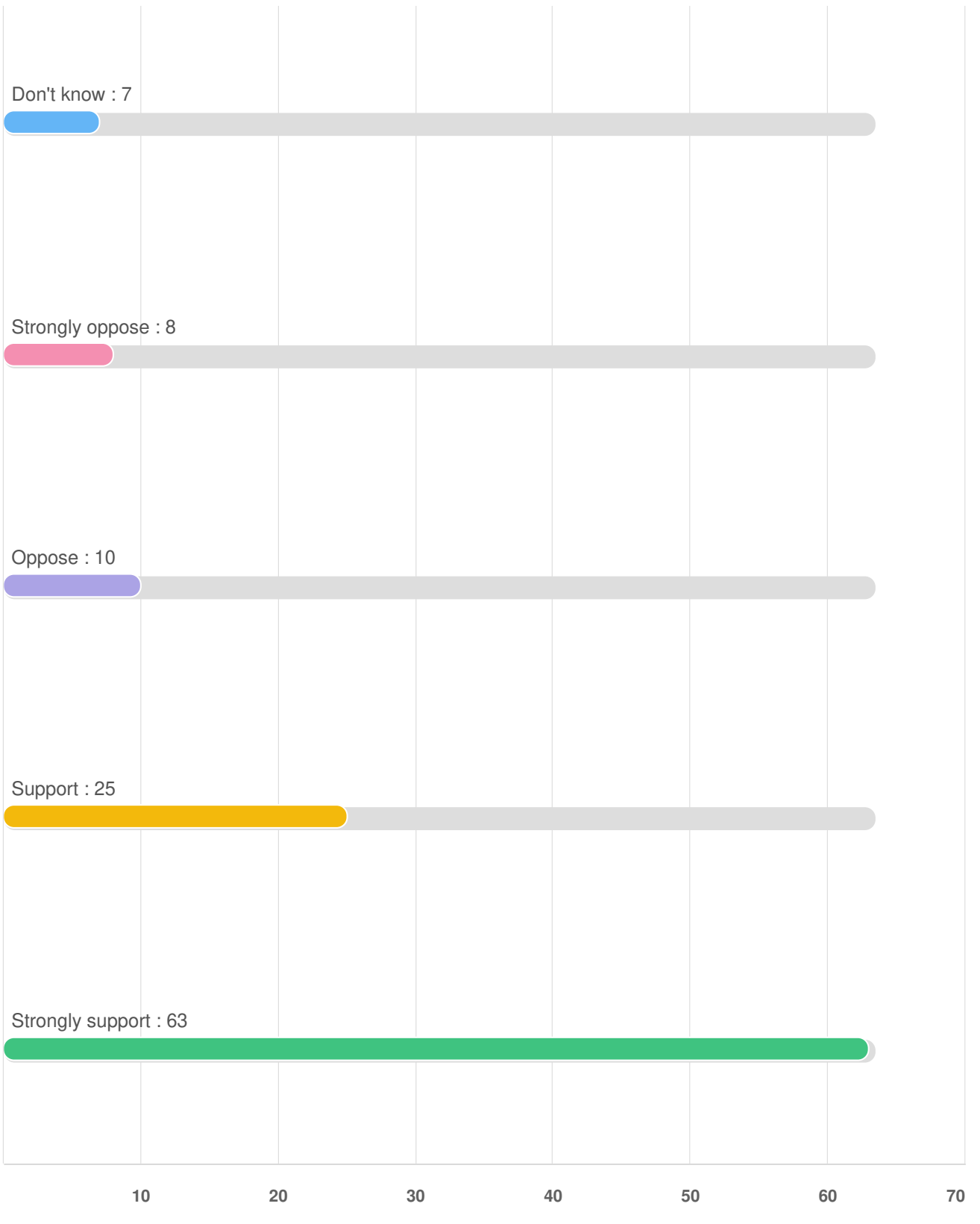
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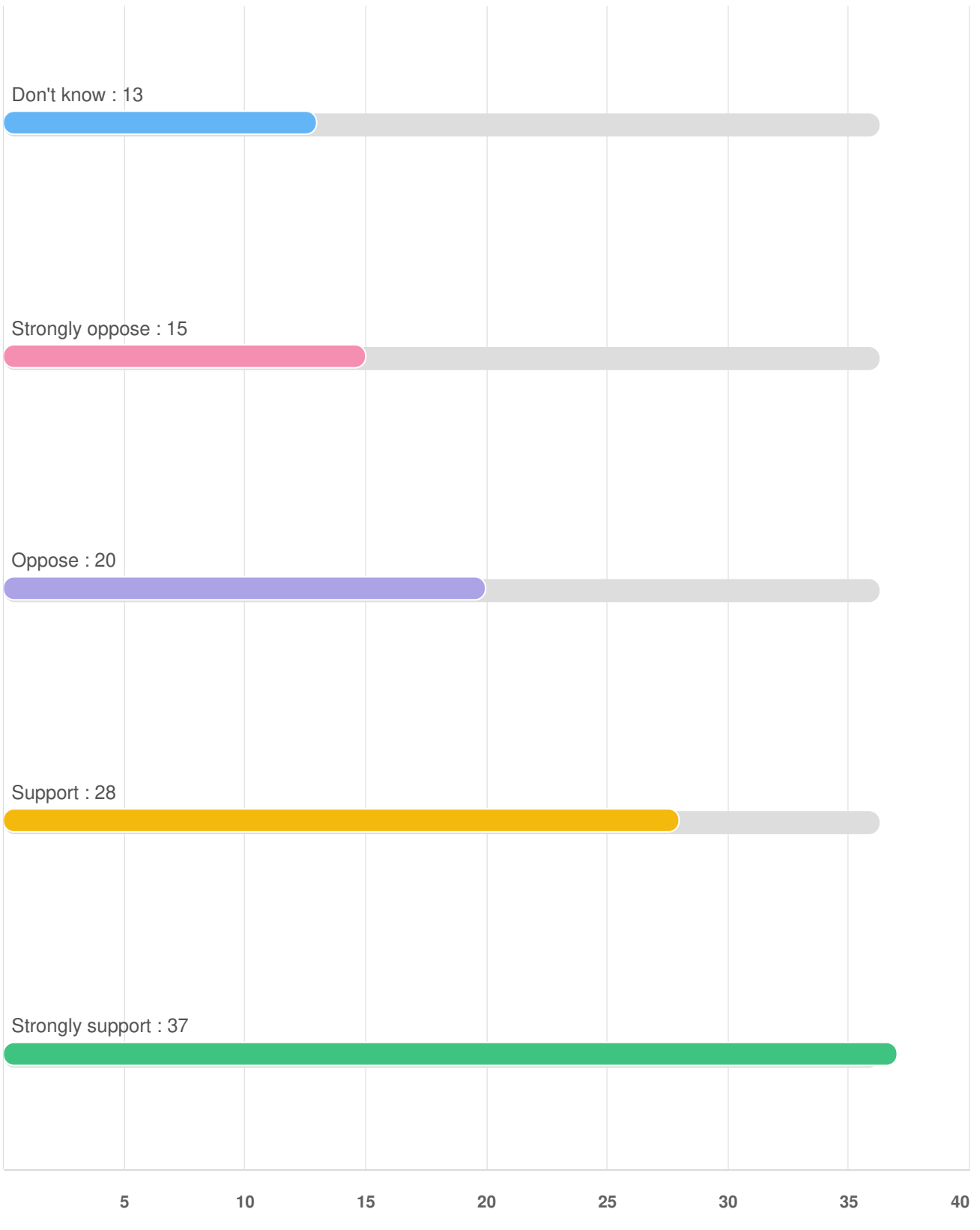
A Health and Safety Inspection from a qualified individual to ensure the building meets minimum safety standards

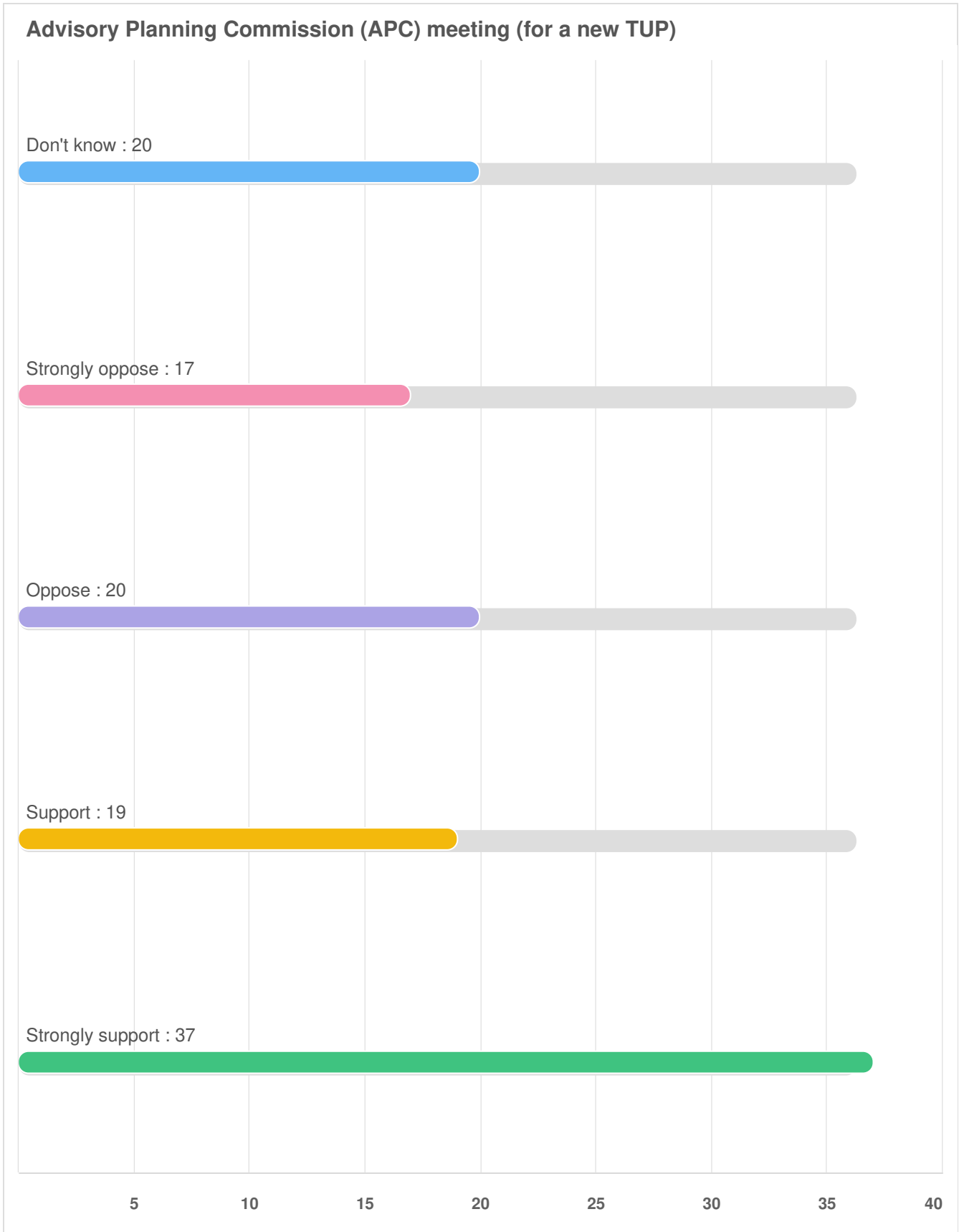


A Septic Inspection (if onsite-septic) showing the septic system is in good working order

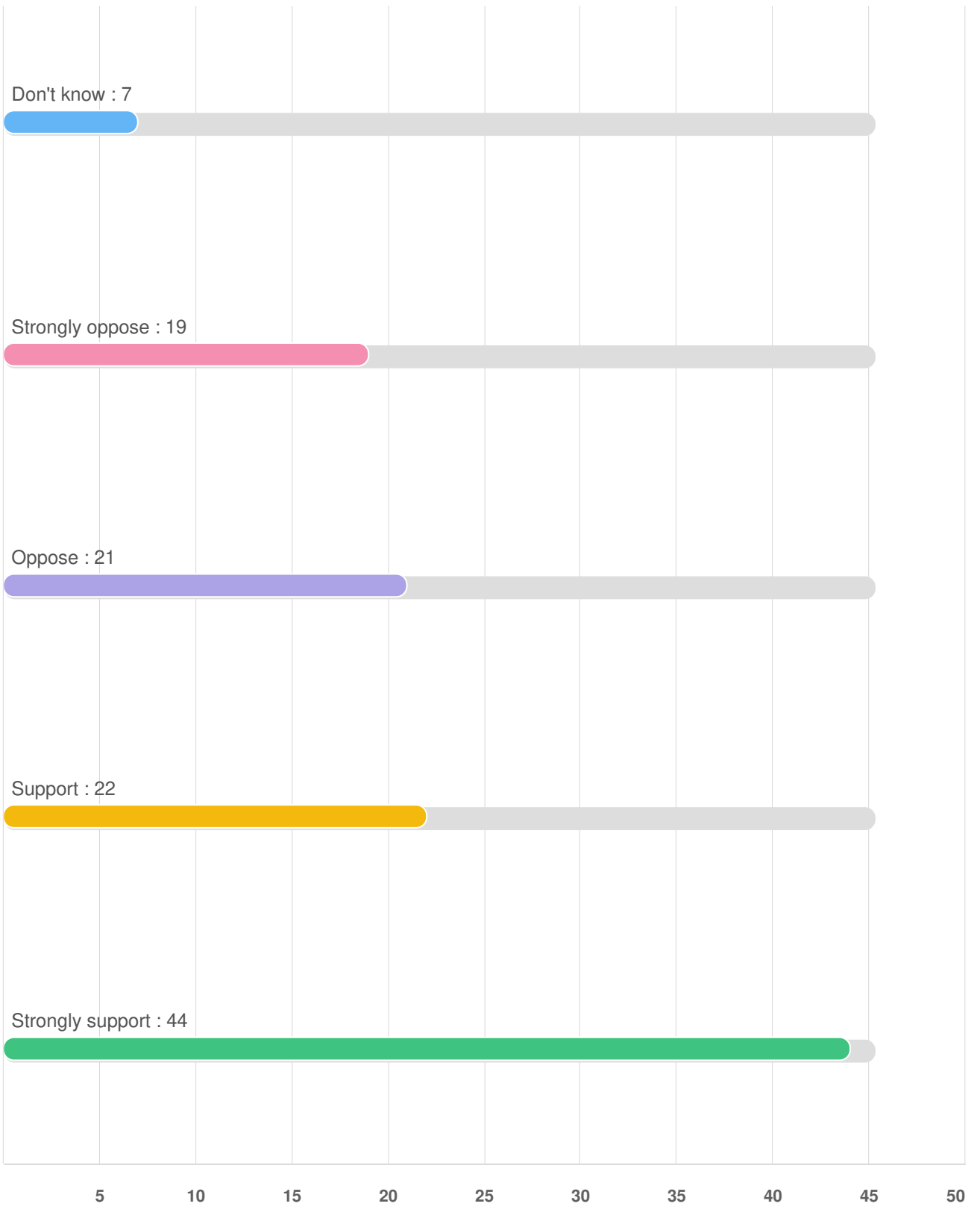


A Public Information Meeting (for new a TUP)

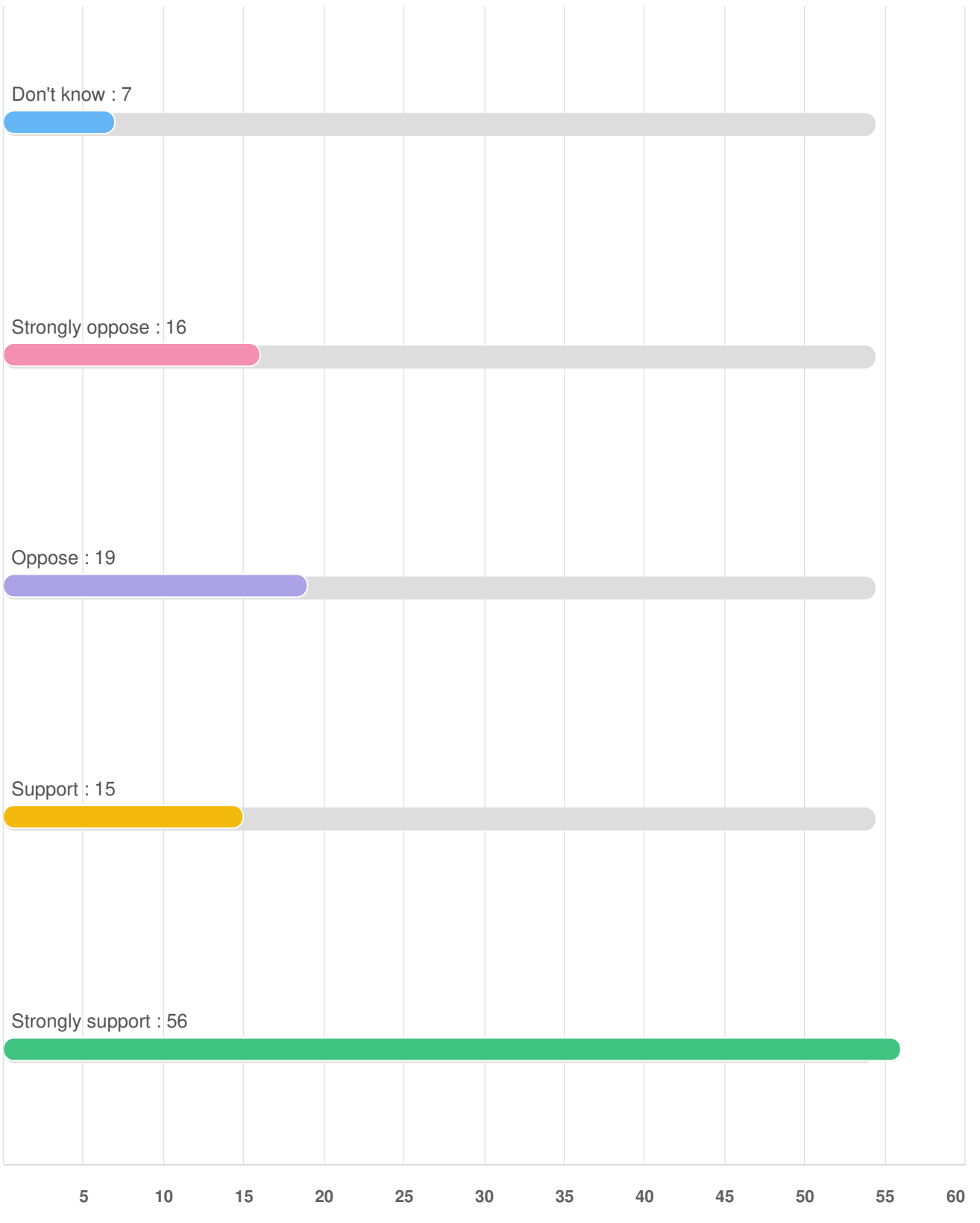




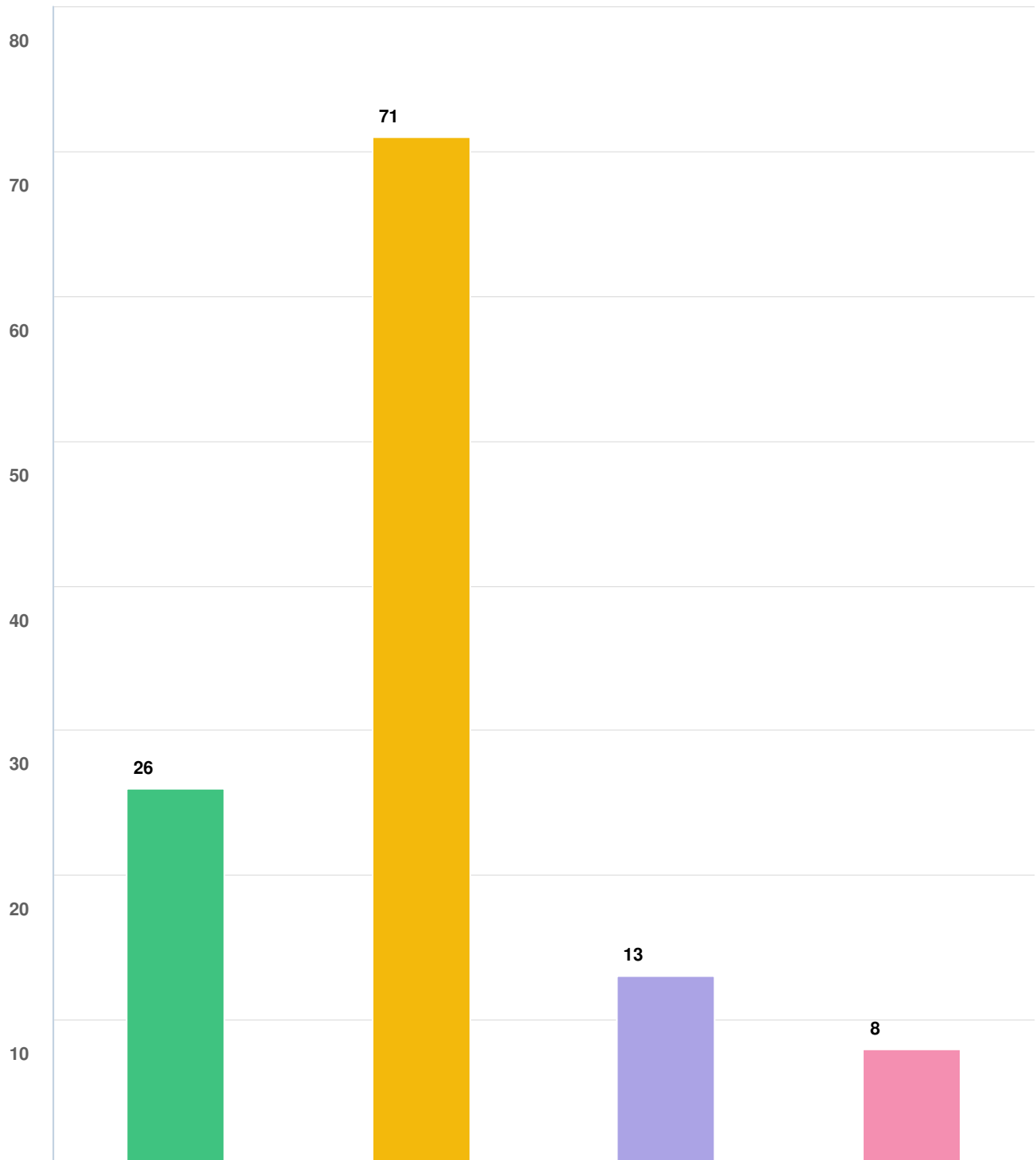
Posting of a development sign on a property during the application process



Notification letters sent by the RDOS to all property owners within 100 m radius of a proposed TUP



Q21 | Currently, a Vacation Rental must occur within a serviced dwelling unit. Should a Vacation Rental be allowed to occur elsewhere, such as a garage, workshop/studio, recreational vehicle or an un-serviced 'cabin'?



Question options

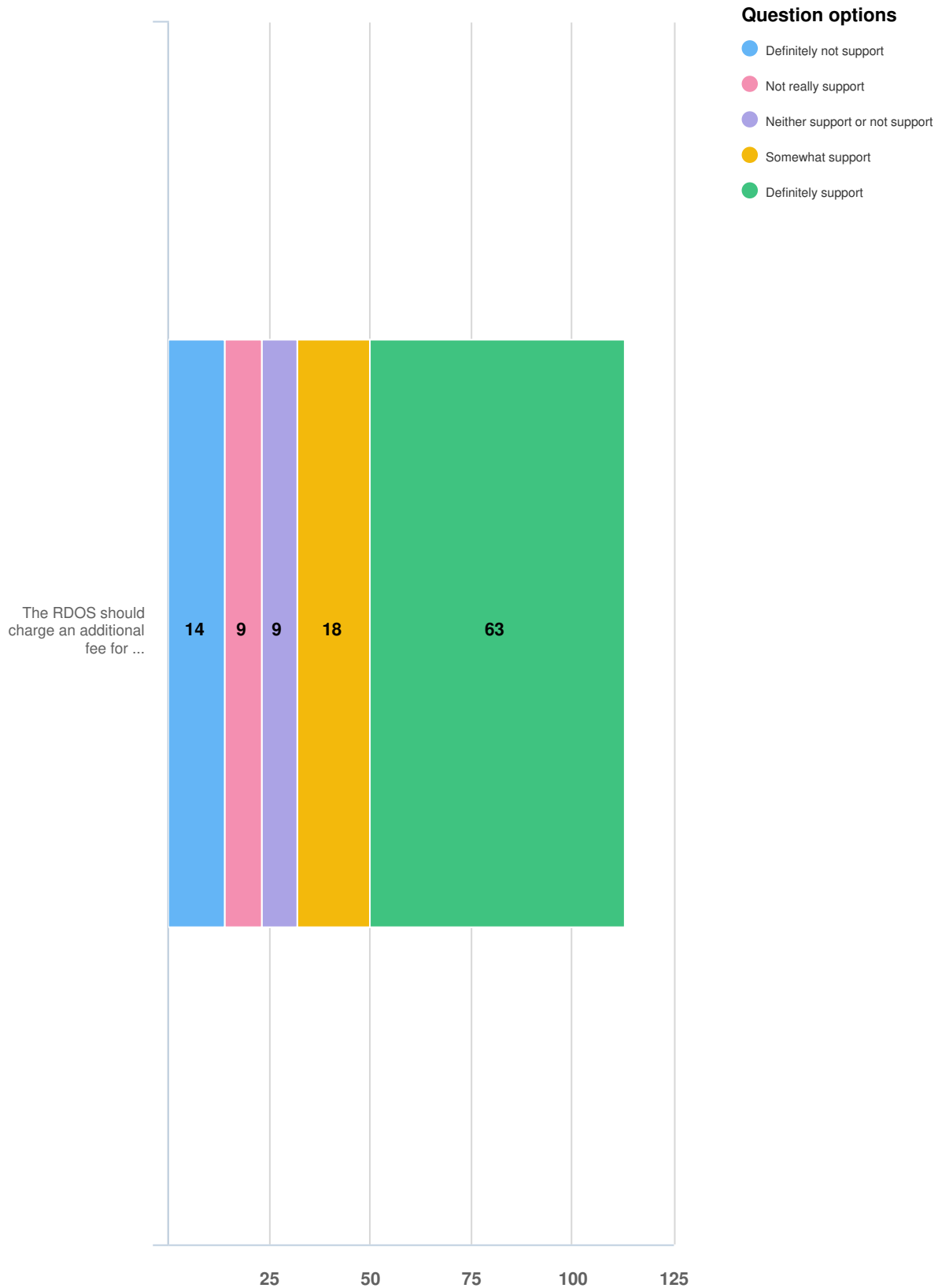
- Other (please specify)
- Don't know
- No
- Yes

Optional question (112 response(s), 1 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

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Q22 It has been noted that water usage tends to increase with a Vacation Rental. If a Vacation Rental is within a RDOS Community Water service area, how strongly do you support the idea of an additional water charge?

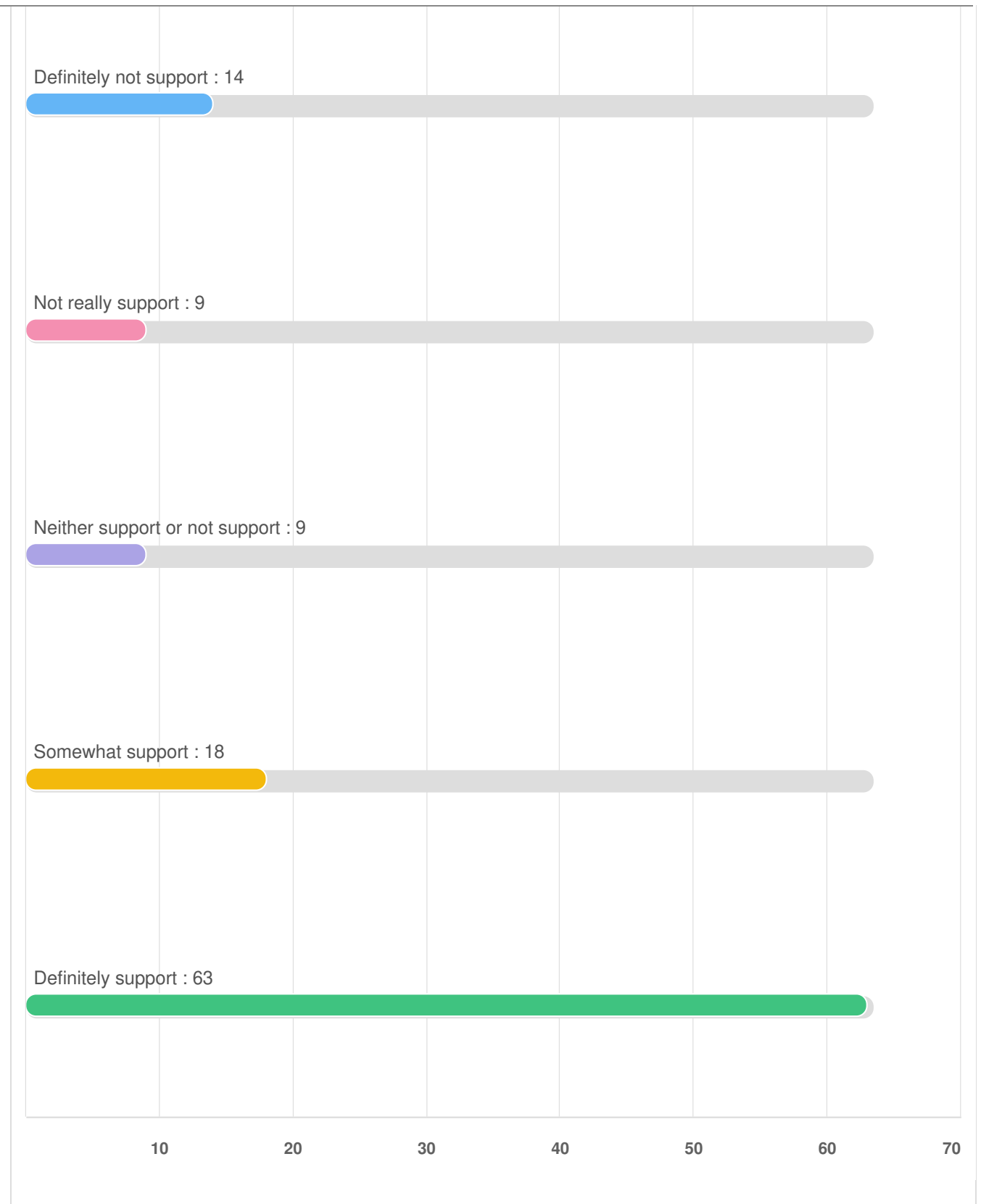


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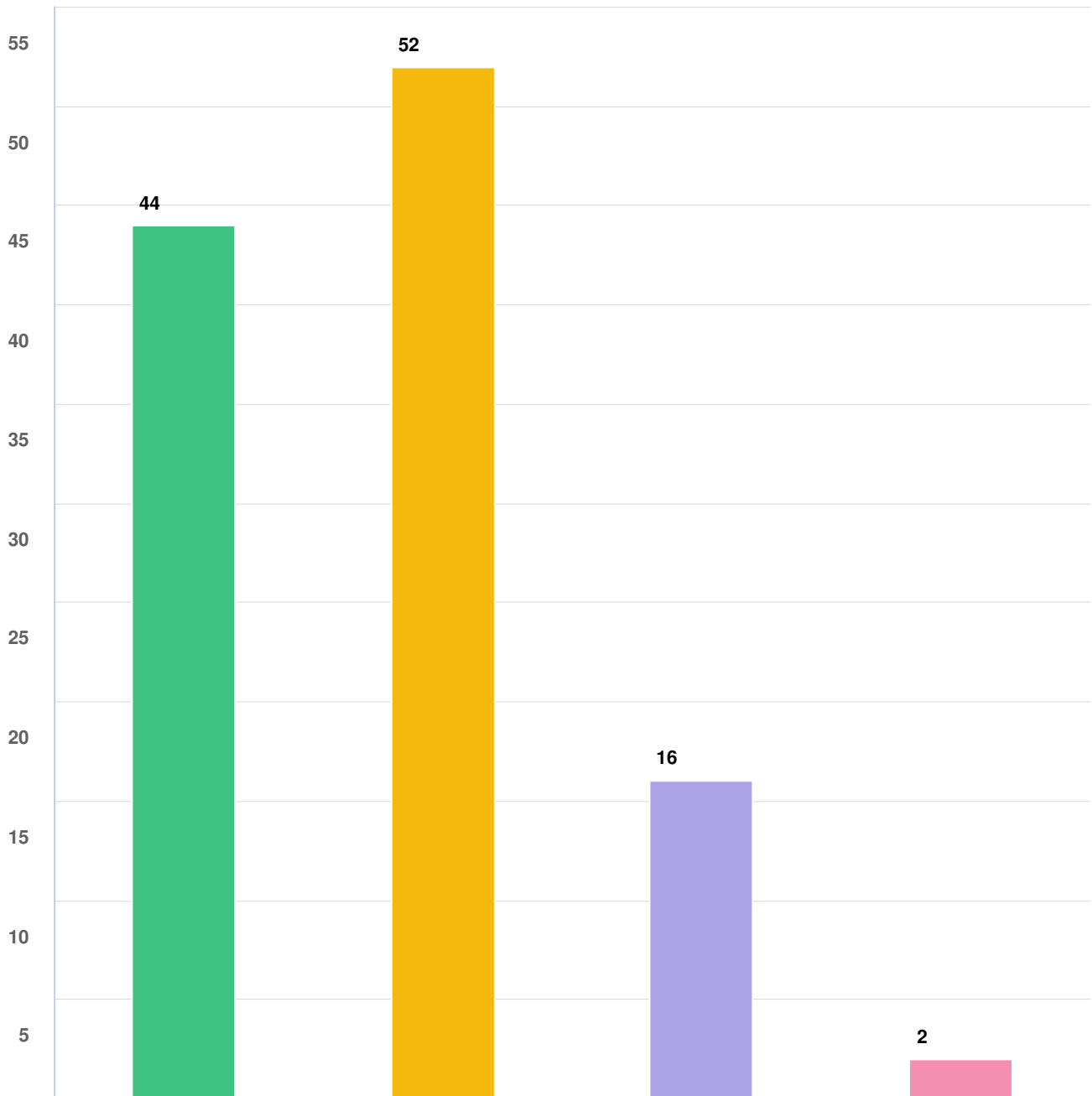
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The RDOS should charge an additional fee for water use for a Vacation Rental TUP



Q23 Some municipalities require a primary resident to reside on the property being rented as part of a short-term rental. A primary resident can be the owner or a long-term tenant. The primary residence is a dwelling that a person resides in most of t...



Question options

- Other (please specify)/comments:
- Do not require a permanent resident or caretaker to live on the property and do not require the posting of 24/7 contact information for a property manager
- Do not require a permanent resident or caretaker to live on the property, but require the posting of a 24 hour/ 7day a week contact information for a property manager
- Require a permanent resident such as the property owner, a long term tenant (as operator) or a caretaker to live on the property

Optional question (111 response(s), 2 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

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Q24 | Thank you very much for sharing your thoughts! If there is anything you would like to add, please comment below.

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2/28/2023 01:09 PM

I strongly disagree with the RDOS having two separate vacation Rental surveys, one for TUP holders and one for non-TUP holders. I think you are making poor assumptions by asking the two groups different questions. I'm pretty sure a TUP holder would have some valid opinions on the questions in the non-TUP holder survey and vice versa. This is slanting the results of the surveys by asking them different questions. I'm shocked that you would do this, but not surprised. The level of service from the RDOS in the district I live in is so poor I'm strongly against giving them any more money for anything, including a TUP. It is just a tax grab that we will never see and return on. What value would we get for the permit? Promotion of rental properties? Increased bylaw enforcement? Help or support in attracting tenants? I already pay a provincial accommodation tax from which I get nothing of value. I surely don't need another one.

Screen Name Redacted

1/11/2023 08:36 AM

The rate of illegal suites that are arguably dangerous will only increase with more rules imposed, there has to be a middle ground.

Screen Name Redacted

1/11/2023 09:14 AM

We have discussed a short term rental on our property in the future, but the application and renewal fees seem to be a large barrier to getting people into compliance. If fees were more in line with Penticton, you may see more people signing up.

Screen Name Redacted

1/11/2023 10:09 AM

Some of the comment areas didn't work.

Screen Name Redacted

1/11/2023 12:29 PM

I strongly believe that unregulated vacation rentals have been extremely detrimental to not only the long-term rental market, but the housing market as a whole. Vacation rentals should be tightly regulated and restricted to secondary suites or buildings on the owner's own property where they reside full time.

Screen Name Redacted

1/11/2023 01:12 PM

In general I am opposed to any involvement of the RDOS in determining what a person can and cannot do on their own property, including vacation rentals, in my area. We live on acreage where we payed for all of our current services (water, power, sewer, etc..) to be

installed and when there are issues, we fix them and pay for whatever upgrades repairs are necessary, ourselves. In the event that we want to share our beautiful property with others, the stress on these services, again, that we paid to be put in place, would no doubt be taken into consideration and would determine what the rental would look like.

Screen Name Redacted

1/11/2023 08:58 PM

We need to get past outdated rules and regulations against creative forms of income for people. People should be able to choose what they do with their property in a way that still holds them accountable in terms of utility costs, noise levels, neighbourhood respect and so forth.

Screen Name Redacted

1/12/2023 05:22 AM

Vacation rentals should pay property taxes at the same rate as a hotel/motel as they are operating a commercial enterprise.

Screen Name Redacted

1/12/2023 08:02 AM

Enforcement of "slum landlord" properties such as 800 Idabel Lake Road must happen. It is appalling that owners are able to rent these properties in the condition they are in and with boil water advisories and unsafe decks and sewer issues. Please start holding owners accountable!!!! This is a health and safety issue!!

Screen Name Redacted

1/12/2023 03:36 PM

Vacation rentals in our area is crucial to support our local businesses. Low income residents are constantly complaining of affordable housing. This is ridiculous, make better choices people. Taking away the ability for homeowners to generate additional income, mortgage helpers is a positive solution for some. It's a win/win. We cannot punish people for doing their best. Low incomers can't afford these rentals anyway.. and having Low income renters in a secondary suite is definitely not welcome! It's a separate issue all together. The Cities and rdos need to focus attention on job creation, better industries, better high paying jobs, education to get people higher income. The so called supporters of 'support local' groups won't have any business if vacationers are not welcome. It's ludicrous to listen to the irony. Please listen to everyone, not just the whiners... they're whining because of their own poor choices in life.

Screen Name Redacted

1/12/2023 03:45 PM

I was startled reading about the things that are required for a B and B. None of these are required in Osoyoos, the mayor and council turn a blind eye. There are no restrictions or licences required. Tourists are revered in Osoyoos and residents needs like sewage are completely ignored by the Mayor. That is why we recently moved away - could not stand the tourists. Could not stand the Mayors hypocrisy.

Screen Name Redacted 1/13/2023 12:25 PM	Short term/vacation rentals make up for 75% of rental properties in the Okanagan I believe there should be restrictions that stop this. There are hotels and motels within the city. We don't need people renting out their properties as air bnb's
Screen Name Redacted 1/17/2023 08:06 PM	I think they should have to pay into a dmv or similar fee just like traditional accommodations
Screen Name Redacted 1/18/2023 10:16 AM	No vaction rentals in perment family houseing subdivisions. Or within one km of daycare or schools
Screen Name Redacted 1/18/2023 07:50 PM	Please allow STR's in the area! It helps the economy! Thank you :)
Screen Name Redacted 1/21/2023 05:49 PM	I hope consultation with OIB and possible use of same guidelines.
Screen Name Redacted 1/21/2023 06:36 PM	I would request some clarification with respect to whether or not a community on leased Indigenous land is part of the RDOS. Thank you
Screen Name Redacted 1/22/2023 01:30 PM	For Question 17. It should be based on size of home and age of persons, ie: five children do not equal five adults. So five adults and 7 children under 12. is suitable imo. People use many of these places to be with long distance family and many have small children/babies.
Screen Name Redacted 1/23/2023 08:13 AM	vacation rentals provide jobs for peiple and bring ALOT of money and busines to osoyoos and aurrounding communitites
Screen Name Redacted 1/30/2023 01:27 PM	Affordable housing should be prioritized year round over vacation rentals!
Screen Name Redacted 1/31/2023 03:47 PM	We are in an affordable housing crisis in which vacation rentals are a major contributing factor, along with empty houses. Housing year-round residents than temporary visitors is an upside-down priority. I truly hope a solution is found that prioritizes permanent shelter and housing for people and families.

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2/01/2023 11:42 AM

I have been a landlord for long term tenants for many years, there are endless rules protecting tenants and landlords always suffer, contrary to popular belief. That is why most landlords no longer want to provide long term rentals, it has nothing to do with vacation rentals. The rules need to be changed from the top to allow landlords more rights that will allow them to choose tenants they want to rent to and tenants need to carry more responsibility for caring for the property they reside in.

Screen Name Redacted

2/01/2023 11:35 AM

There's no excuse for vacation rentals during a housing crisis. Won't be any tourists coming if people can't afford to live here (and thus staff those tourist attractions).

Screen Name Redacted

2/01/2023 11:40 AM

I am really concerned about the lack of affordable housing in Penticton. I feel that we need to address housing needs for local pentictionites before allowing property owners to make money on vacation rentals. I am very well aware that Penticton needs tourism to survive, but not at the cost of locals quality of life and the basic human right of safe, affordable housing.

Screen Name Redacted

2/01/2023 11:43 AM

Most vacation companies require most of what you are suggesting. I have used hundreds in over 58 countries without issue.

Screen Name Redacted

2/01/2023 12:08 PM

I don't believe a vacation rental should be allowed at all in a residential area such as Osoyoos if a long-term renter resides in the house. And especially if the renter lives in a illegal suite, such as a basement.

Screen Name Redacted

2/01/2023 12:13 PM

A place like Mt. Baldy absolutely needs vacation rental to encourage tourism and support for the mountain. It should be under the same classification as Apex.

Screen Name Redacted

2/01/2023 12:18 PM

This is not a good idea for strata townhomes, where most owners do not want this happening. The age group is a concern also. Most of these places are seniors residences and do not want a lot of excess noise.

Screen Name Redacted

2/01/2023 01:05 PM

Short term rentals provide money to the community rather than corporations. By having person live on site it reduces all noise issues. Having a couple of people stay in short term rental for a season does not use as much water and sewer as a family of 4 or 6 or 8 in a long

term rental. Residents normally have MANY friends and family stay during the season and no thought given to their additional sewer and water use.

Screen Name Redacted

2/01/2023 01:13 PM

Thank you for allowing my input. I am not a fan of vacation rentals, but support small bed and breakfast ventures. The owner is onsite, there is more control over tenants, and there still is an element of welcoming to tourists and visitors. Also, the Okanagan is becoming a retirement mecca, large parties and gatherings are not thought of as acceptable in neighbourhoods as they cannot be controlled if the owner is not on site.

Screen Name Redacted

2/01/2023 01:34 PM

Our region is one of the driest in Canada, with some of the highest use of water. It is also a place where rentals are hard to find, and expensive. We should be prioritizing long-term housing, and water preservation, over profits to land owners. I am ok with some temp rentals if the owner is the main resident (e.g. when the owner goes on vacation) as that simply means that when rented, the property is not taking away from the long-term rental pool. We should be restricting land owners who have purchased a 2nd property for the purpose of vacation rental. This reduces the available housing for residents of the area. The term of May through October also reduces available housing, so that tenants are constantly on the move as they can only secure housing between October to May or June. I have rented before adjacent to a vacation rental, in Trout Creek. During the summer, there would be extremely loud BBQ/dinners/parties on any or every day of the week going late into the night or early morning. I, on the other hand, had to go to work and needed sleep. The property owner was absent and nothing could be done to get a bunch of drunk exuberant people on vacation, with no ties to the community, to act responsibly.

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2/01/2023 03:26 PM

Notices should go out to neighbours 200 to 250 meters away.

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2/01/2023 03:54 PM

Great idea to get the public's viewpoint. After all, we are the ones affected. Thank you.

Screen Name Redacted

2/01/2023 05:13 PM

Short term rentals negatively impact all communities. We need motels, RV parks, campgrounds with yurts and other outbuildings, hotels, and licensed B&Bs with owners on site. Dark houses with strangers coming into neighbourhoods put everyone at risk. Long term rentals are critical for the communities to have accommodation for workers. STR encourage investors to buy up properties and have

Airbnb or VRBO rent them out. It is a terrible business practice and is damaging our society.

Screen Name Redacted

2/01/2023 07:28 PM

As a long time resident / homeowner, past landlord and business owner in Summerland, I strongly disagree with the interference of government beyond business licence, health and safety inspection and requiring a property manager. Long-term rentals deserve to struggle, as the interference with both Provincial and Federal Governments taking the rights away from the owner of the property and giving the rights to the user/abusers of the property. As a person with a long history of land-lording in Summerland I have never been subject to such abuse, discrimination and disrespect as I have dealing with long term tenants. I have suffered terrible damage to my property, belongings and health all in the name of providing long-term tenants with a clean, spacious, single detached, family home to live in. I would encourage every landlord to switch to short term rentals to give those landlords the opportunity to have a profitable business rather than a long term, insufferable tenant who has the right to destroy your asset that you are liable for, and all on your dollar. I own a home in downtown Summerland in an urban dense area more than 1/2 of my neighborhood is long-term rentals. Every rental house is run down and lowering the value of the entire neighborhood. And every rental fills the streets in the summer with visiting friends campers and trailers. Every rental in the neighborhood has parties every weekend, with huge bonfires, intoxicated shouting, and loud music until usually 3 or 4 in the morning. We don't get notices from the neighborhood tenants asking if we mind if they have parties all them time or if we mind that their friends take all of the street parking with trailers, they don't advise that them and their friends will walk the neighborhood in the middle of the night intoxicated and vandalizing neighboring properties. These long- term issues never resolve. With short-term vacation rentals, the likelihood of disturbances is immensely lower than the long-term rental of delinquents that the entire neighborhood is involuntarily stuck with. If a short term rental throws a party... so what?! They will be gone is a few days. Our community's problem is not in short- term vacation rentals. Treat vacation rentals like a business, set reasonable ground rules like with any other business, charge the appropriate taxes as a business (include additional water and sewer fees in the business license or taxes) and butt out. Homeowners are not looking to have their homes destroyed by vacationing tourists. They are looking for a means to a profitable endeavor as with any free enterprise.

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2/01/2023 07:21 PM

The reason people don't want long term tenants is they are difficult to get rid of if they are a problem. Also if they didn't pay rent during covid landlords were stuck with them. Owners are not renting space

because they are wealthy but because they need the income. Let me do what I want with my property. If I bother the neighbours let it be the same as if a vacationer bothered the neighbours.

Screen Name Redacted

2/02/2023 05:24 PM

My concern would be if the owner uses the property for revenue and lives somewhere else and also if it becomes a party place with no respect shown to the Neighbors.

Screen Name Redacted

2/04/2023 02:09 PM

This affects residents of Osoyoos and is not enforceable by town officials. Penticton has hired a bylaws officer for just illegal B and B's. They are fighting a huge battle You do need to control it. As well as the homeowner being responsible for what is happening on their property.

Screen Name Redacted

2/05/2023 11:01 PM

If a inspection of septic systems is to be carried out on properties, then all records of filing septic plans should be included, as well as proper occupation documentation for said dwellings.

Screen Name Redacted

2/07/2023 10:35 AM

I support vacation rentals as we have used them. Our hope for our neighborhood is that the renters can understand that our family neighborhoods need to be respected as far as street parking, noise and care of property. Thank you for allowing us to have a voice in these decisions.

Optional question (39 response(s), 74 skipped)

Question type: Essay Question

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