

#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 : D

Vacation Rental Survey Results
Electoral Area "D" (Skaha East, Okanagan Falls)
January 11, 2023 - February 15, 2023

REGISTRATION QUESTIONS

Q1 Which RDOS community do you live in?

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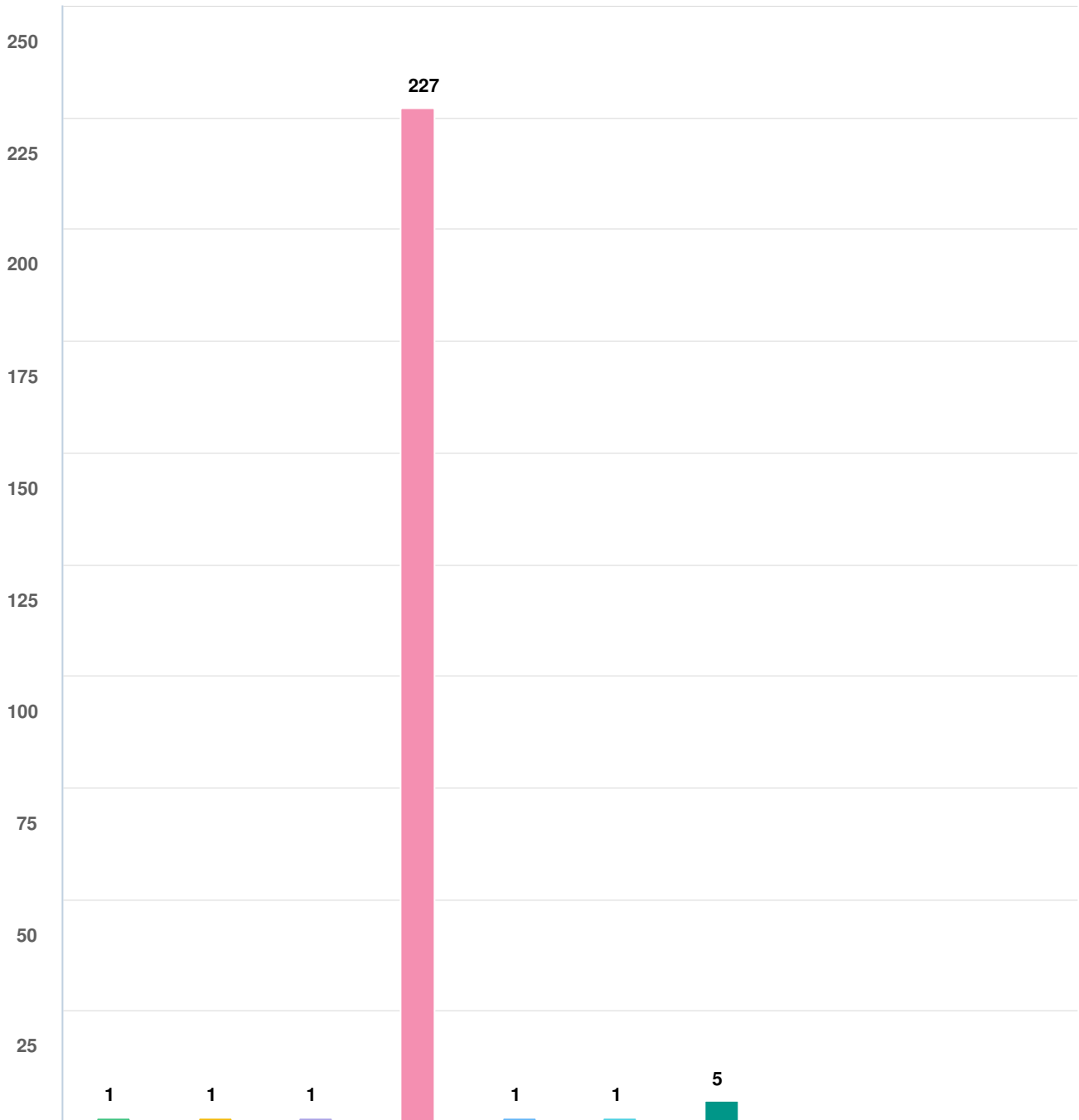
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Mandatory Question (3 response(s))

Question type: Single Line Question

SURVEY QUESTIONS

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



Question options

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

Mandatory Question (226 response(s))

Question type: Checkbox Question

Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? D

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

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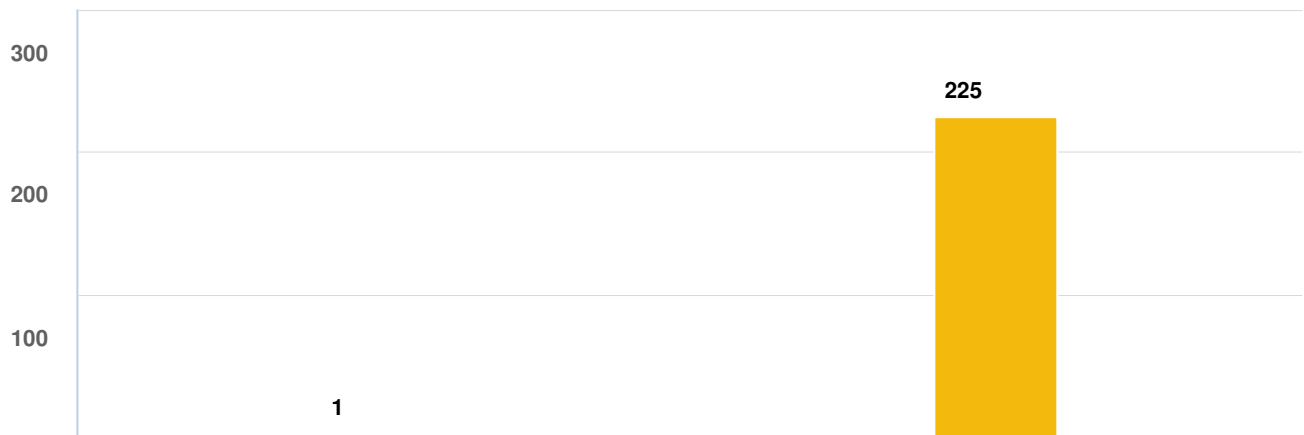
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Optional question (163 response(s), 64 skipped)

Question type: Single Line Question

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



Question options

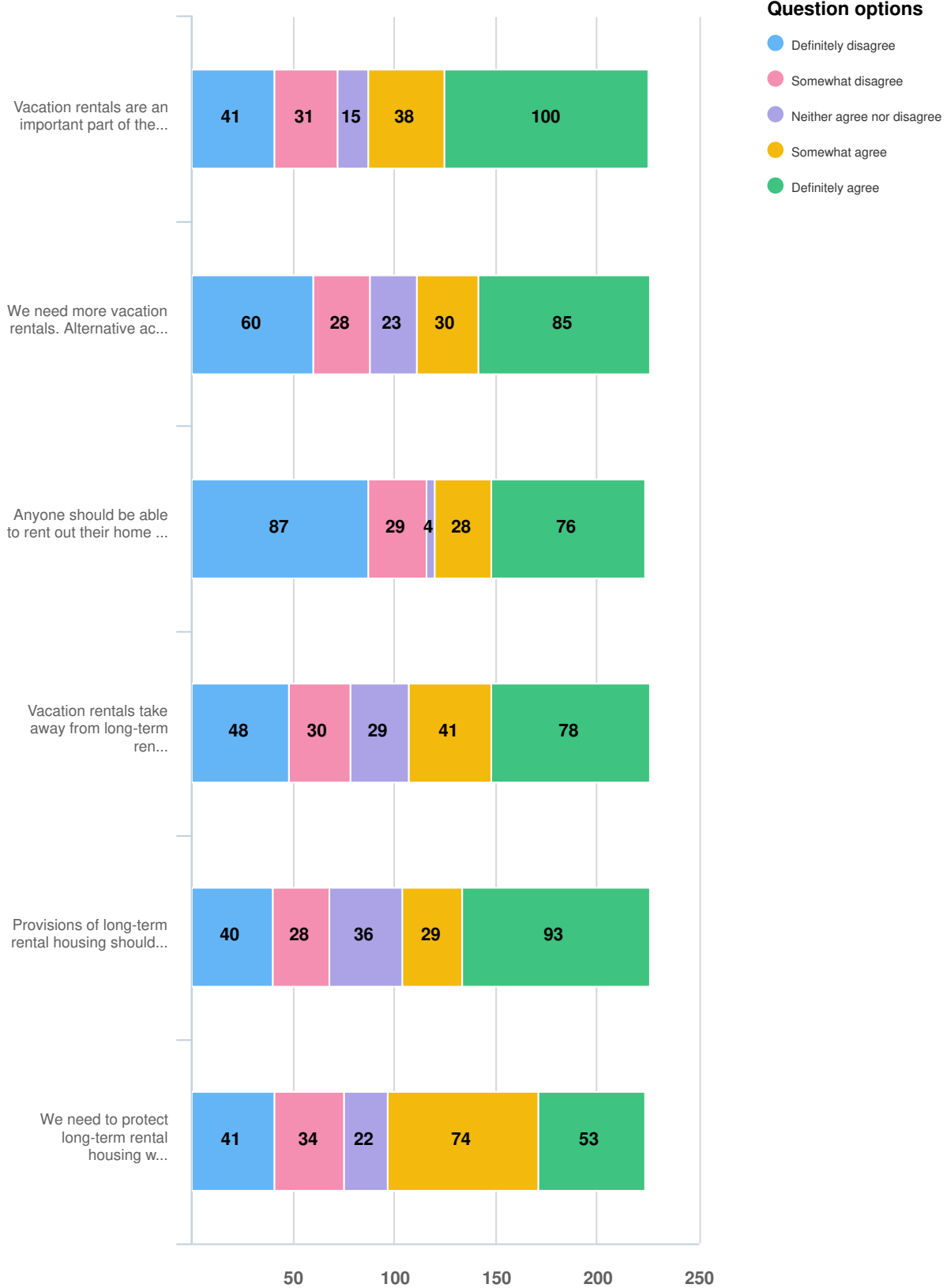
- Yes (please go to Survey #2 of the Regional Connections page or contact the RDOS to receive a paper copy of the survey)
- No (please continue with this survey)

Optional question (225 response(s), 2 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? D

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



Optional question (225 response(s), 2 skipped)
 Question type: Likert Question
 Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? D

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 : 41



Somewhat disagree : 31



Neither agree nor disagree : 15



Somewhat agree : 38

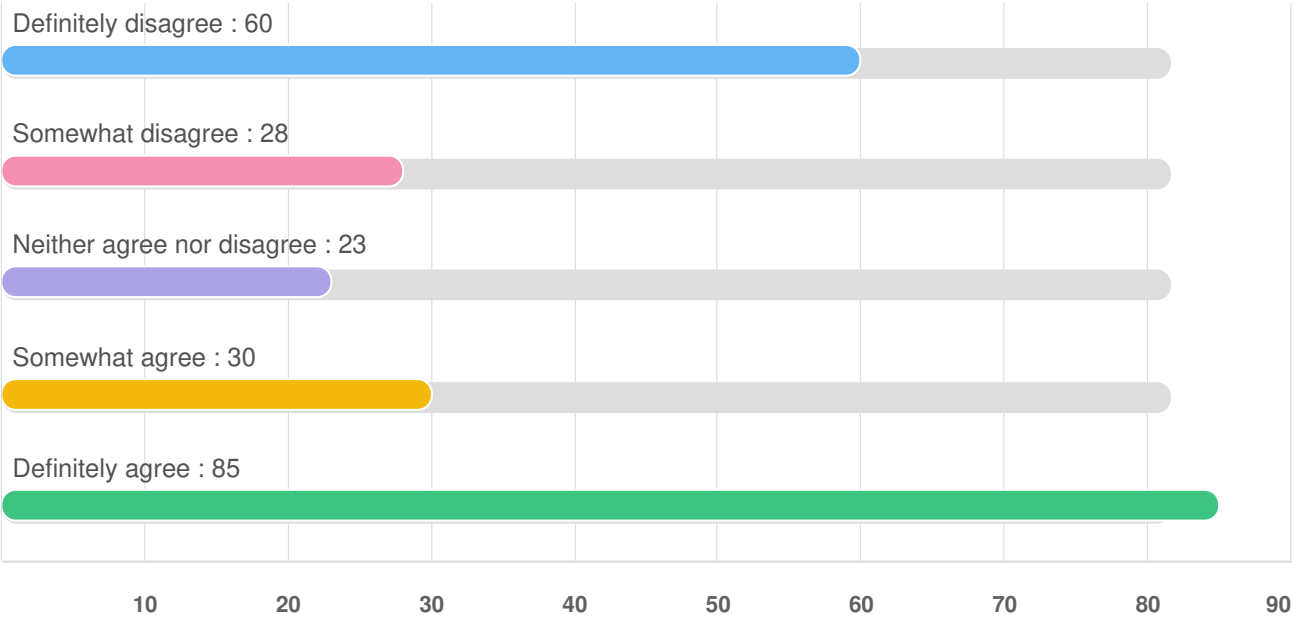


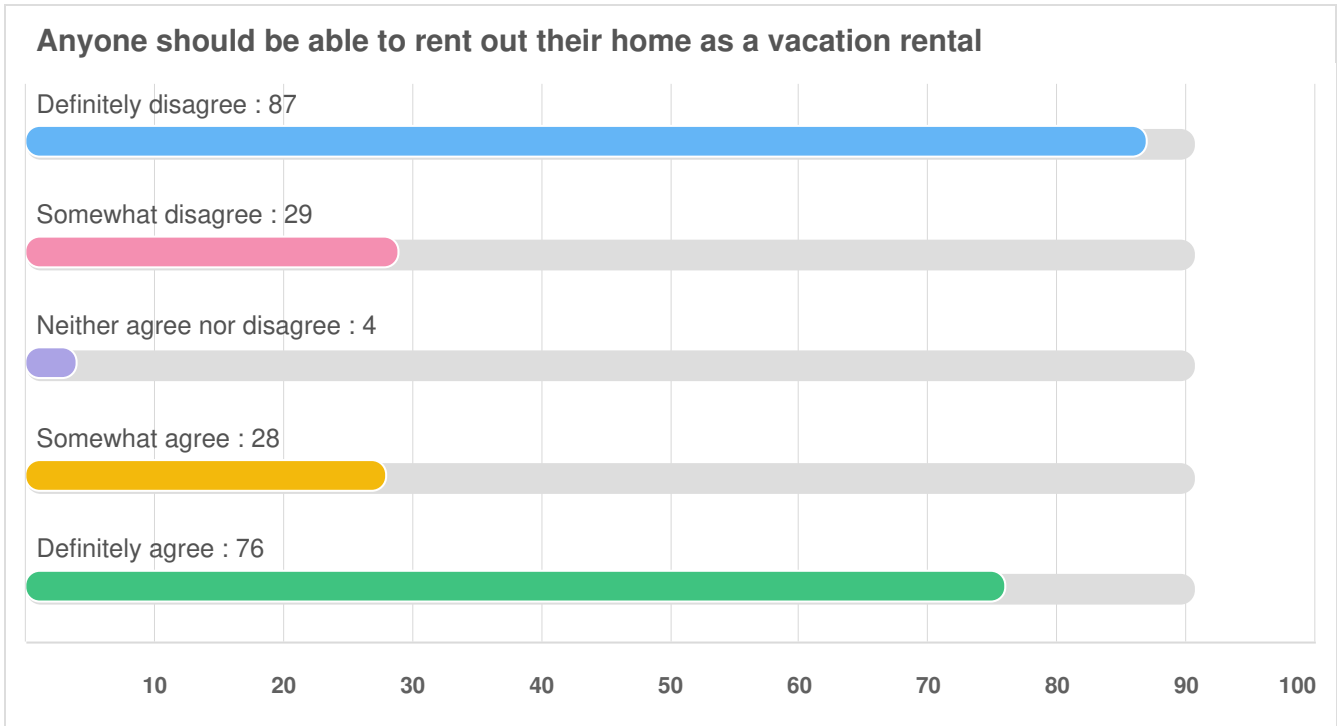
Definitely agree : 100

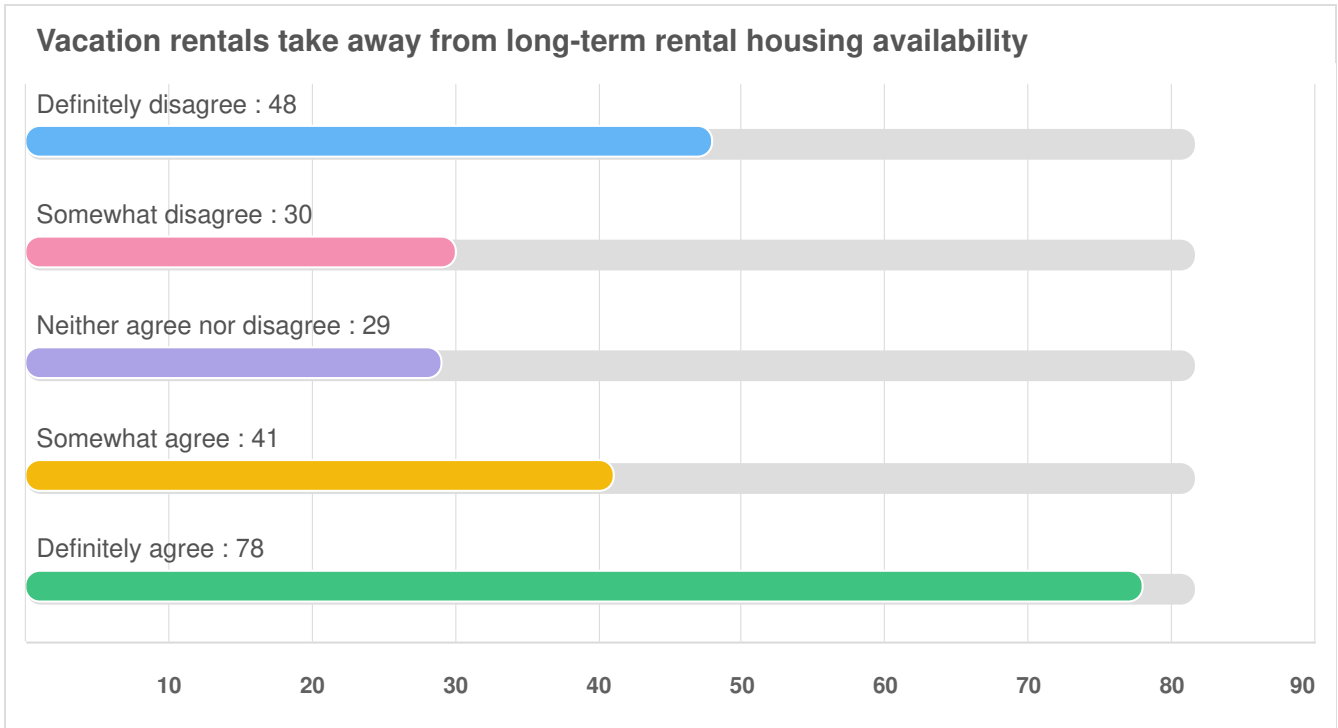


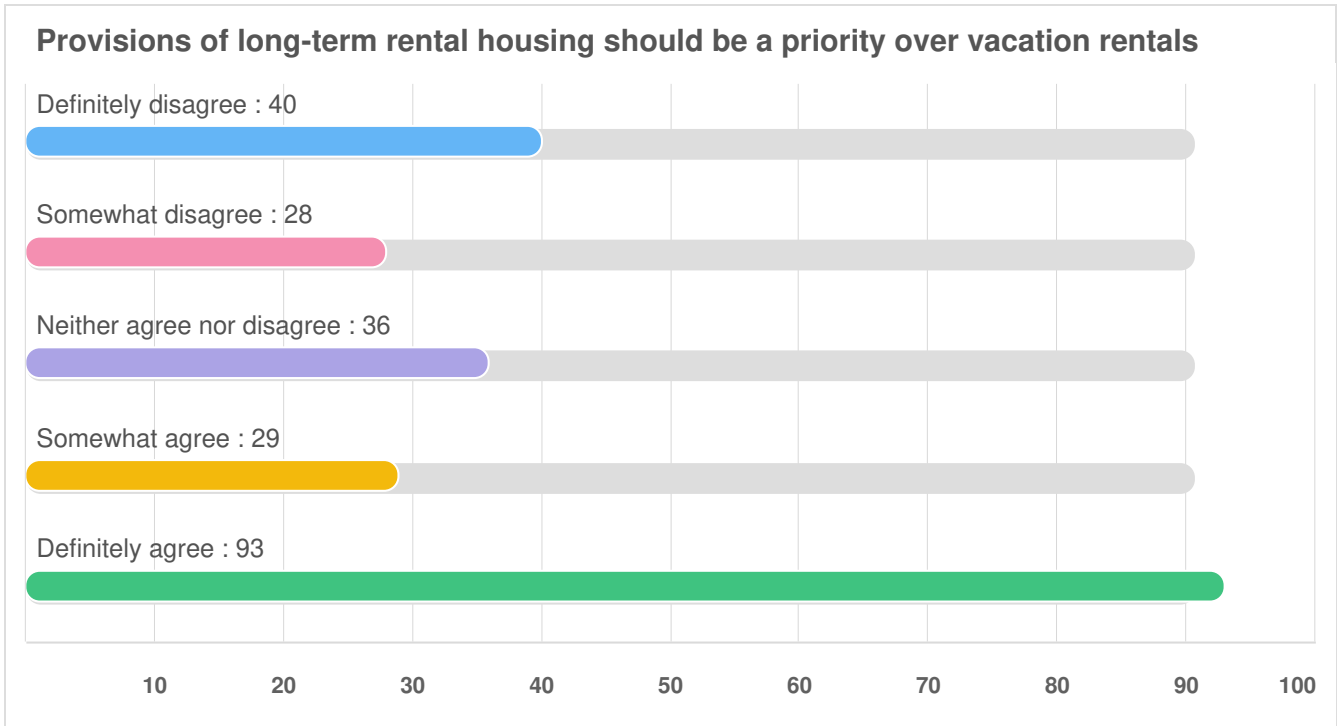
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We need more vacation rentals. Alternative accommodations (hotels, motels, and bed & breakfasts) are often lacking

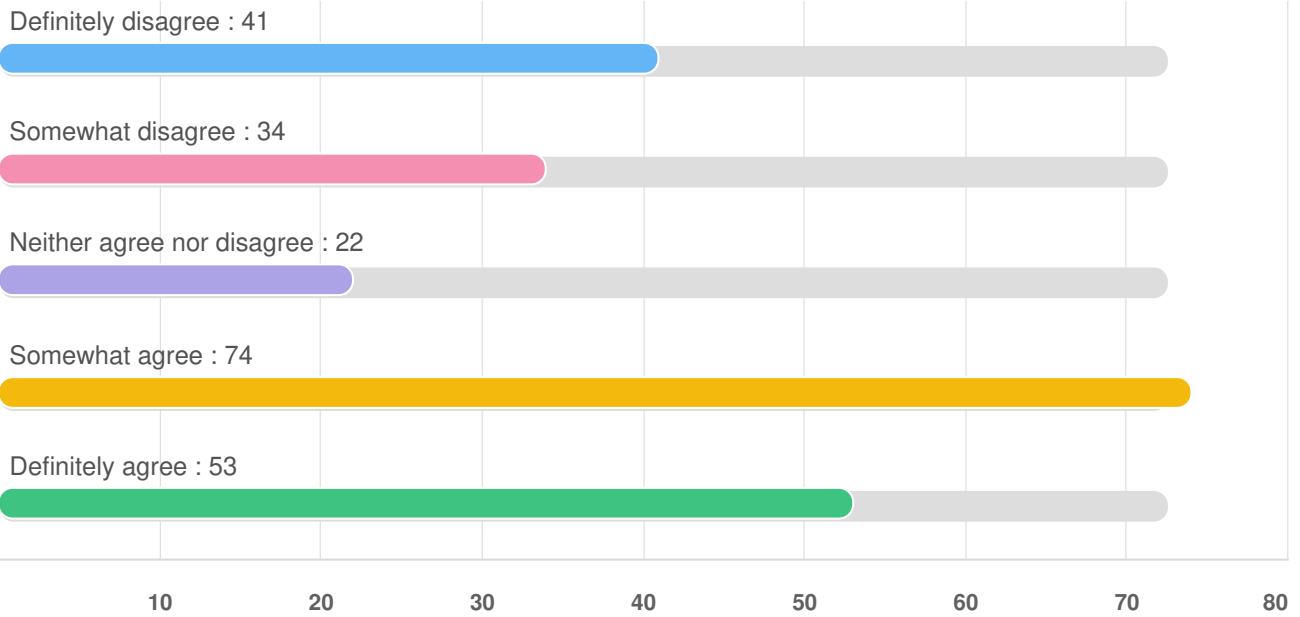








We need to protect long-term rental housing while also permitting some vacation rentals



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

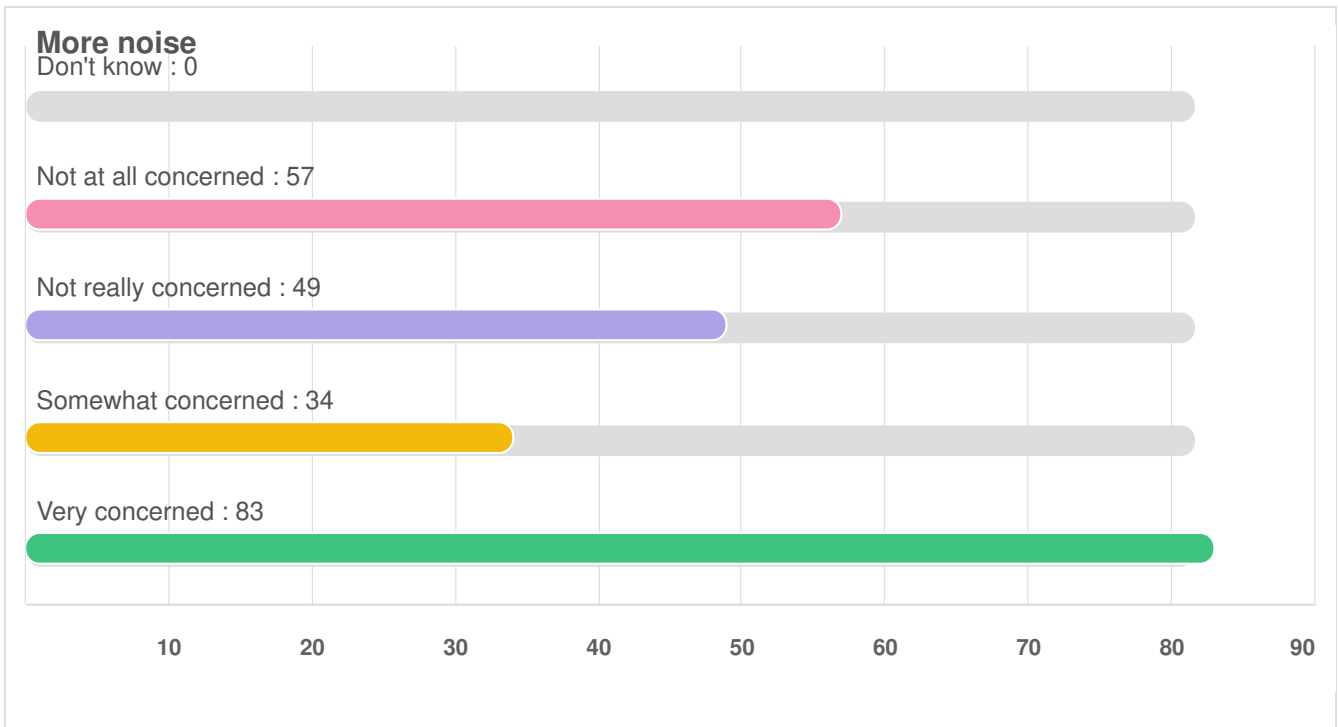


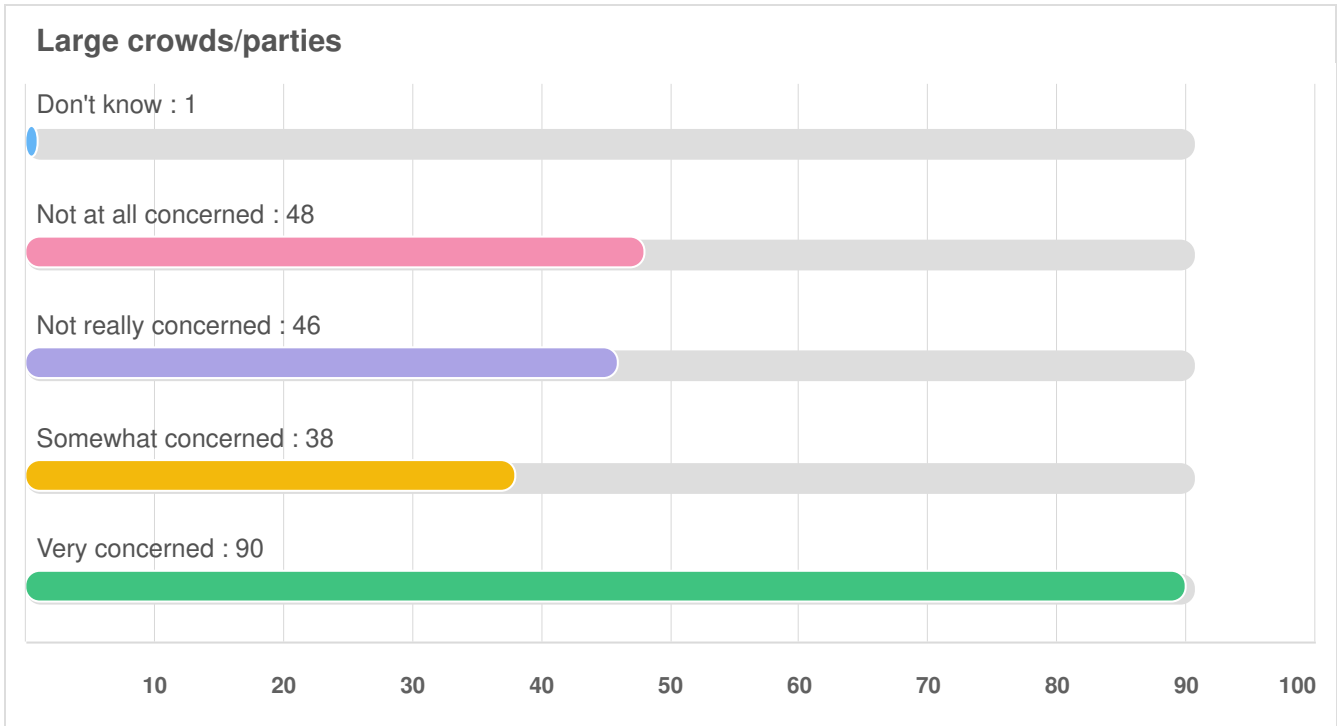
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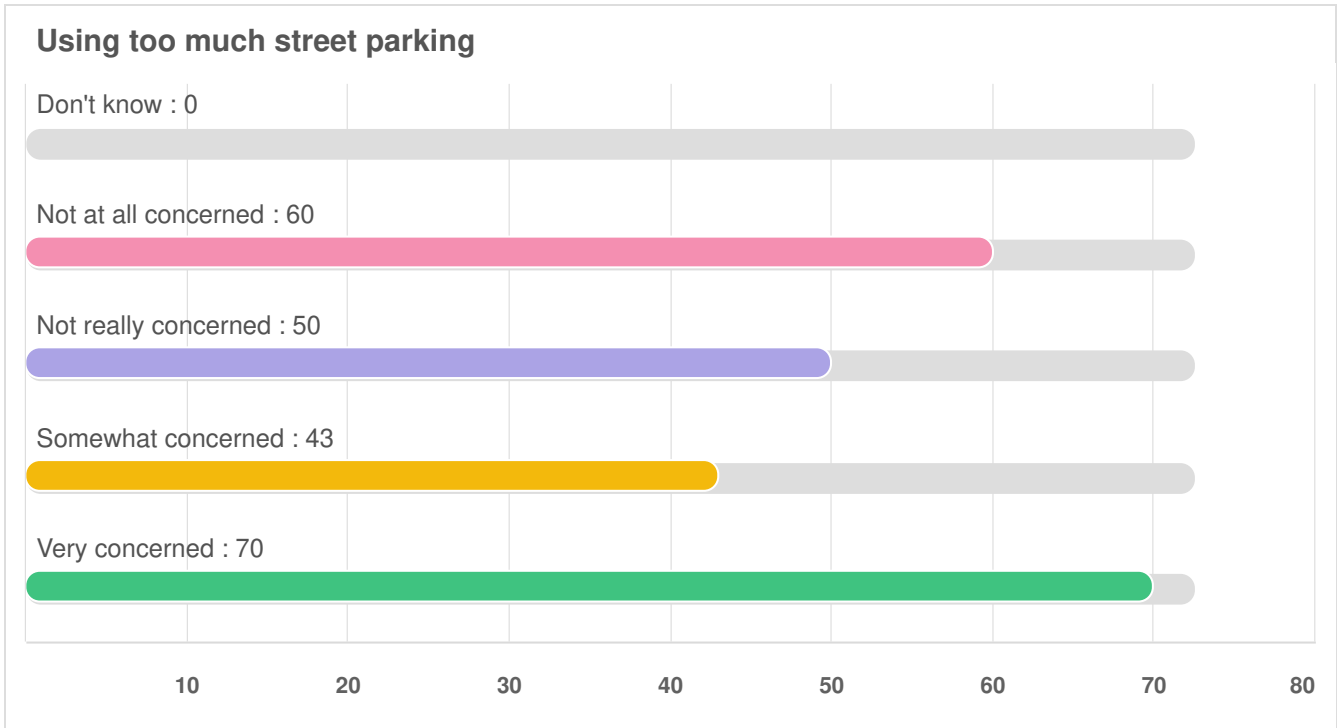
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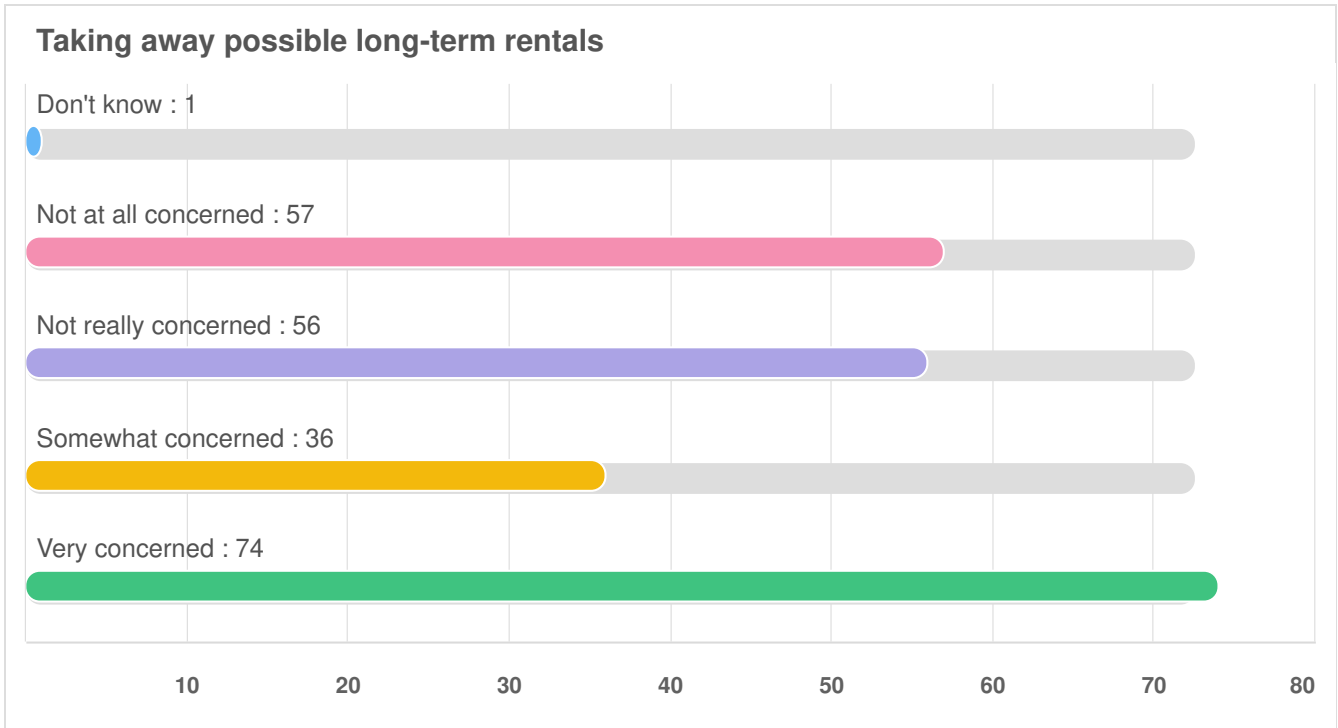
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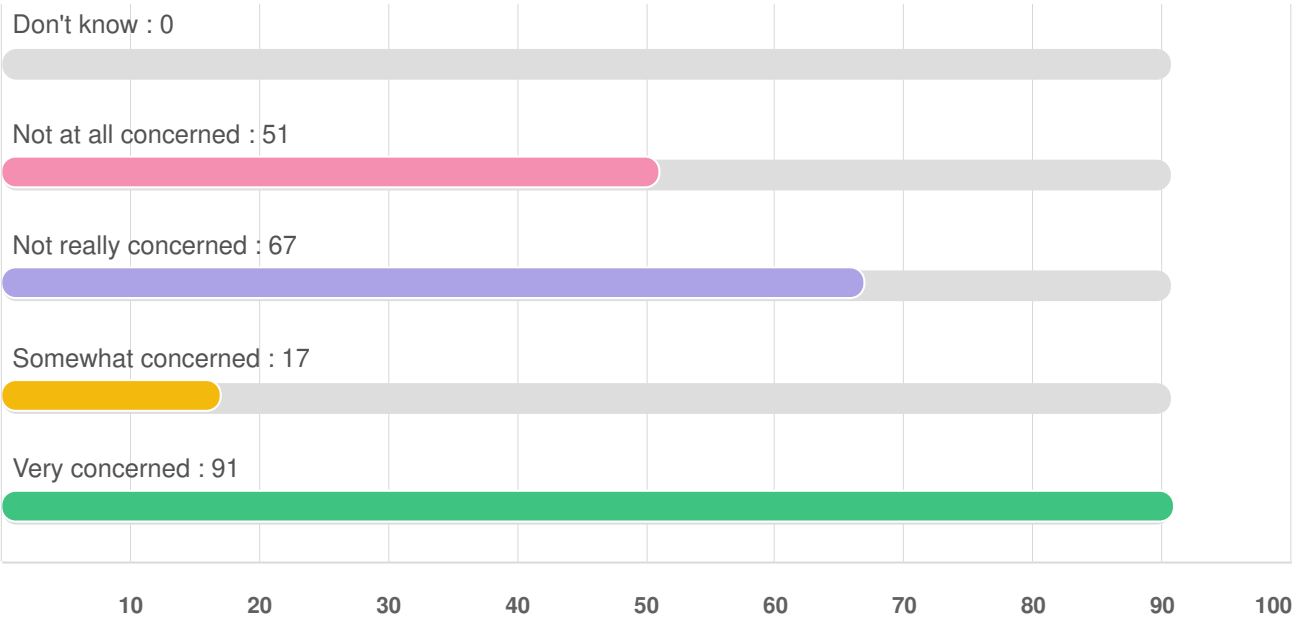


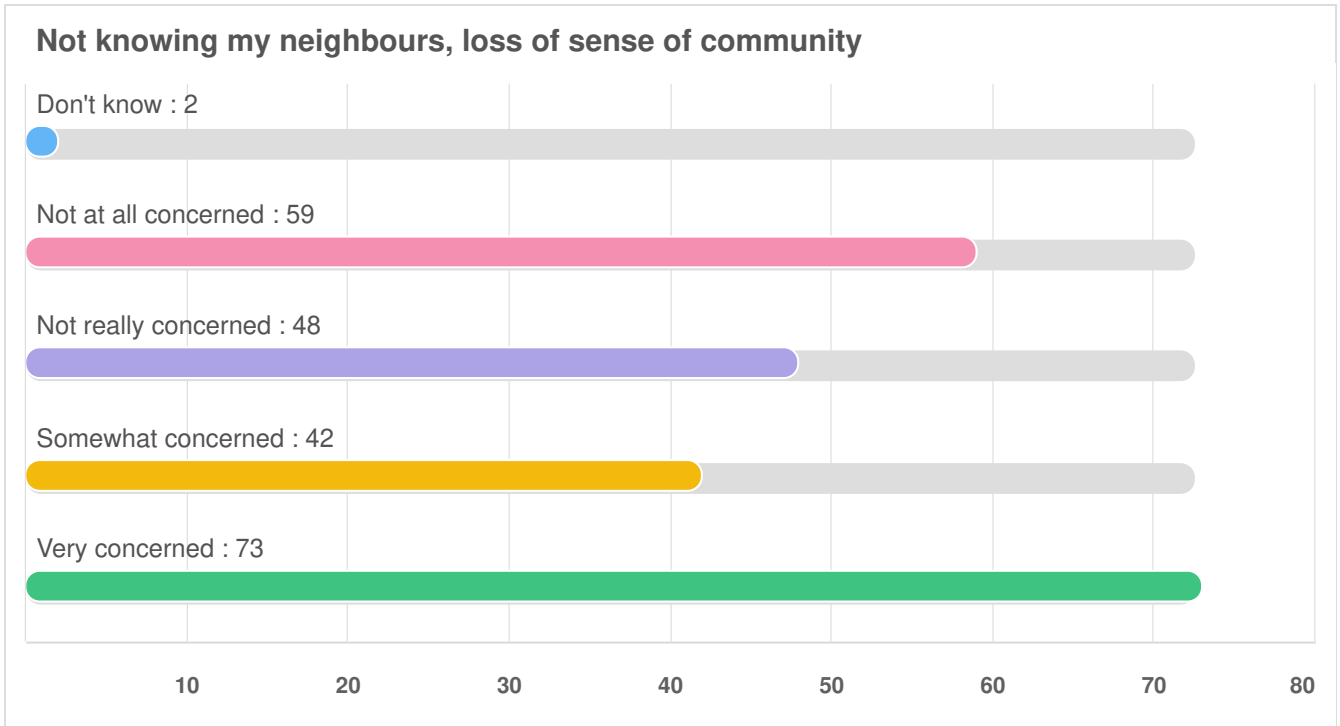


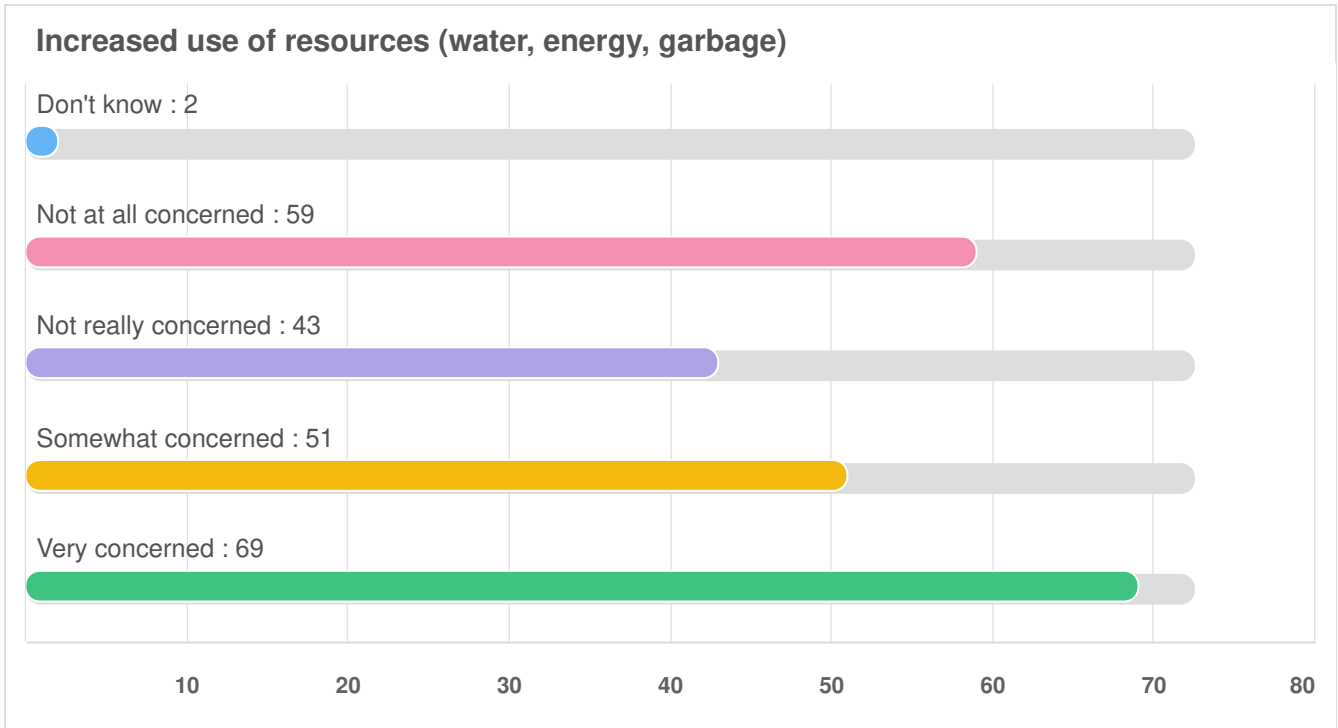


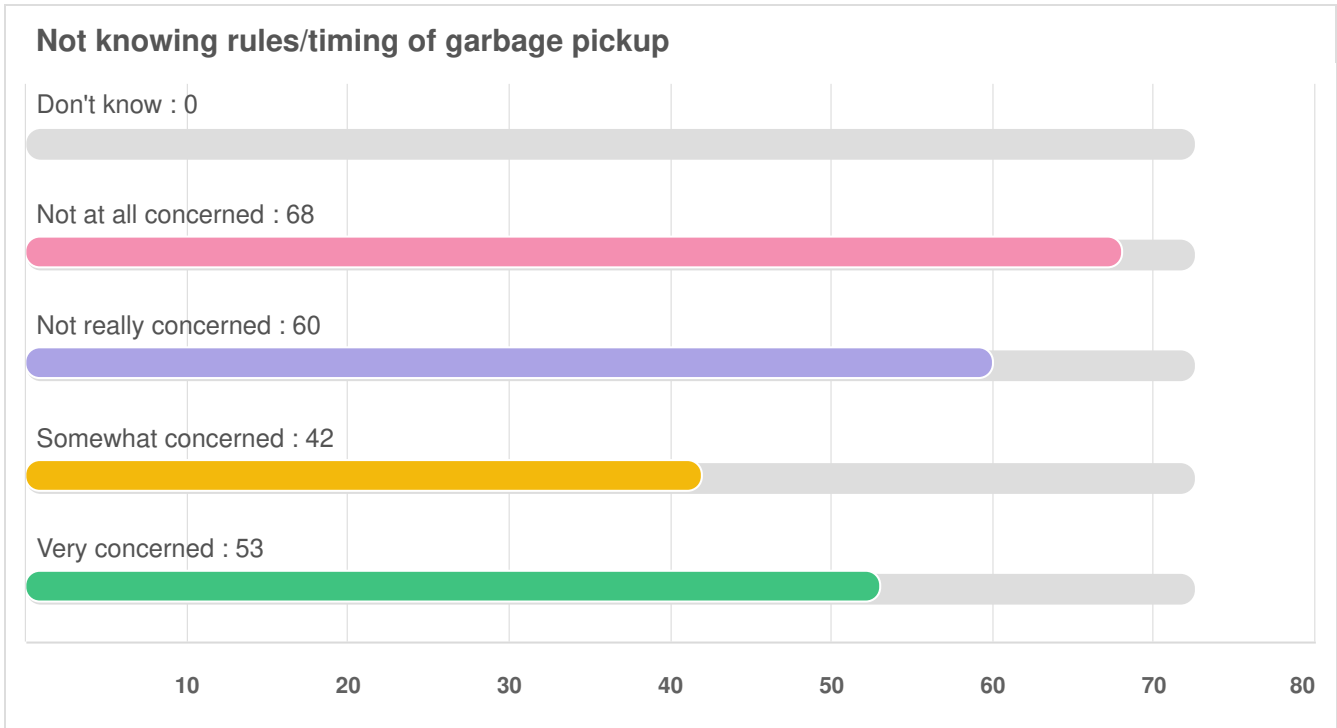


Commercialization of residential neighbourhoods

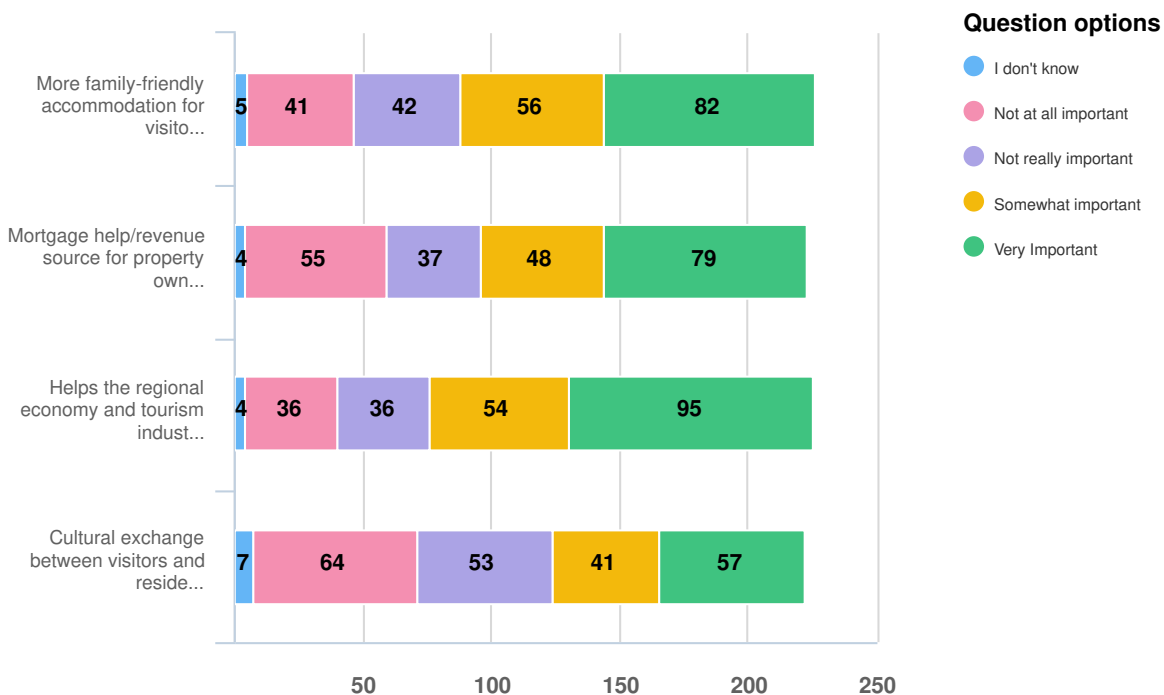








Q6 From your perspective, please rate the importance of the following potential benefits of vacation rentals.



Optional question (225 response(s), 2 skipped)
 Question type: Likert Question
 Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? D

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 : 5



Not at all important : 41



Not really important : 42



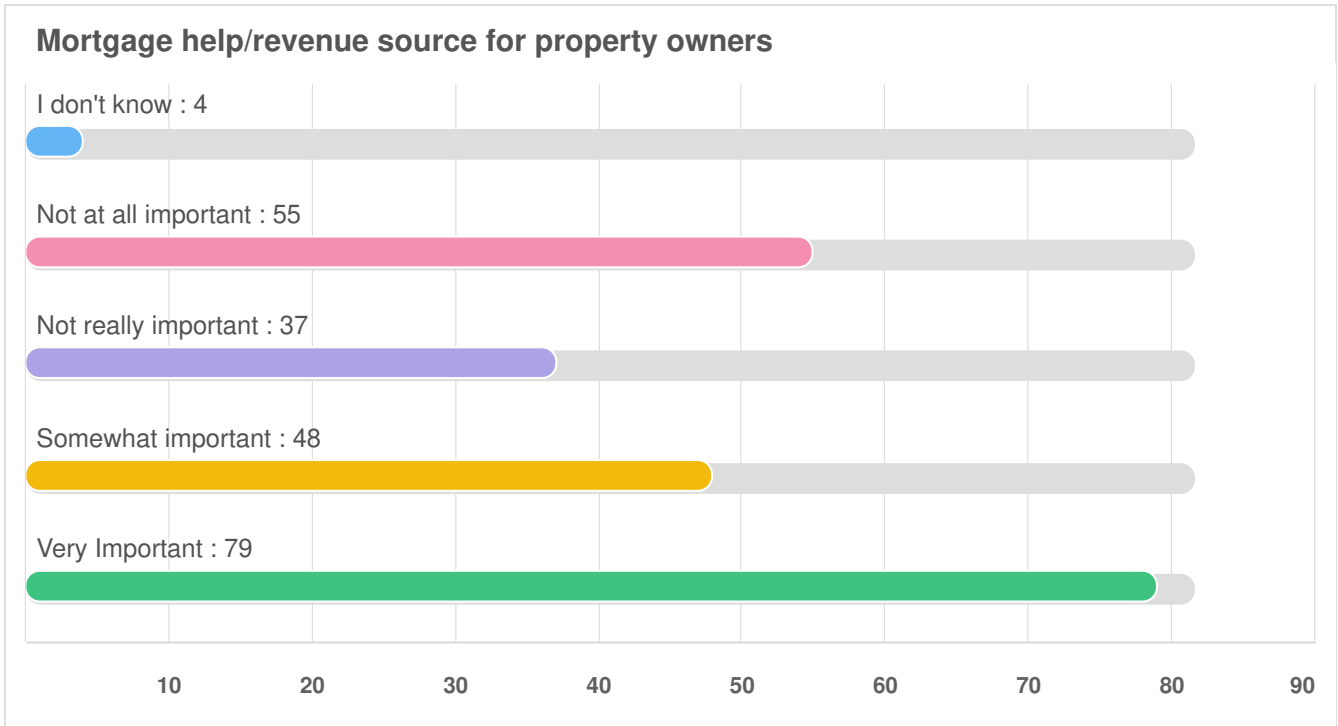
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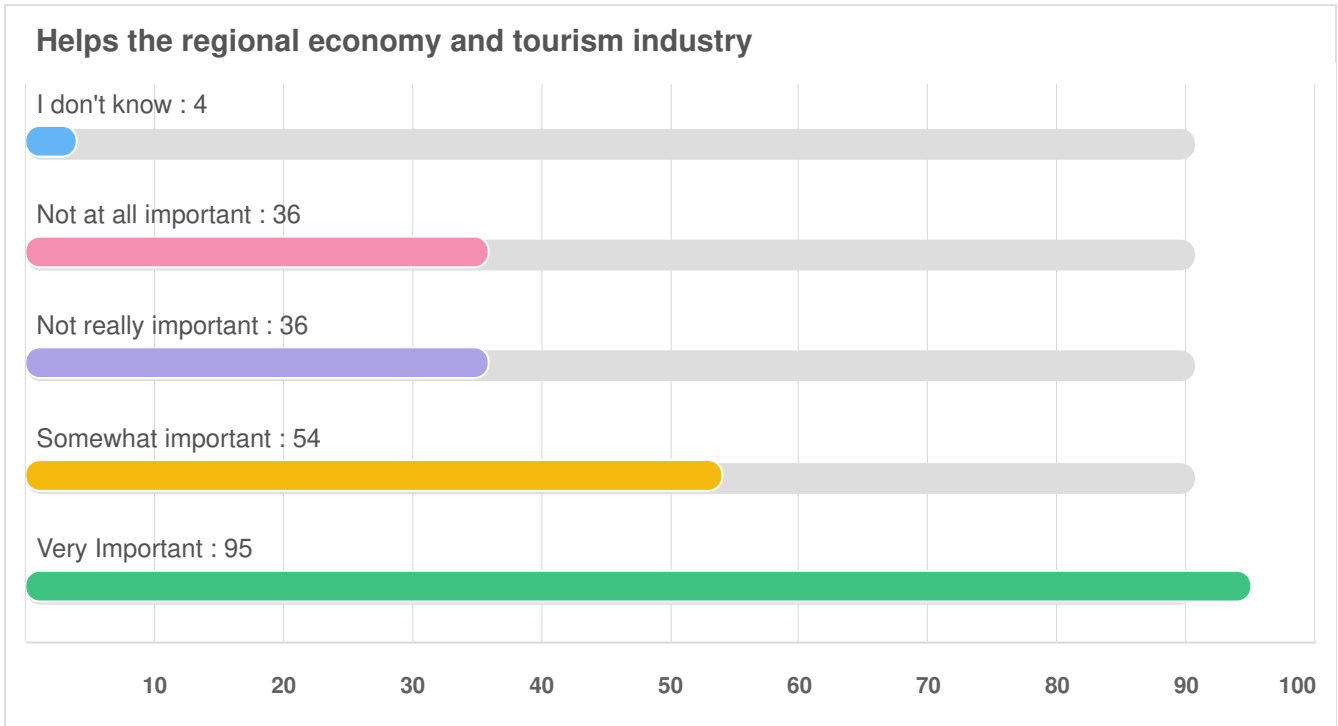


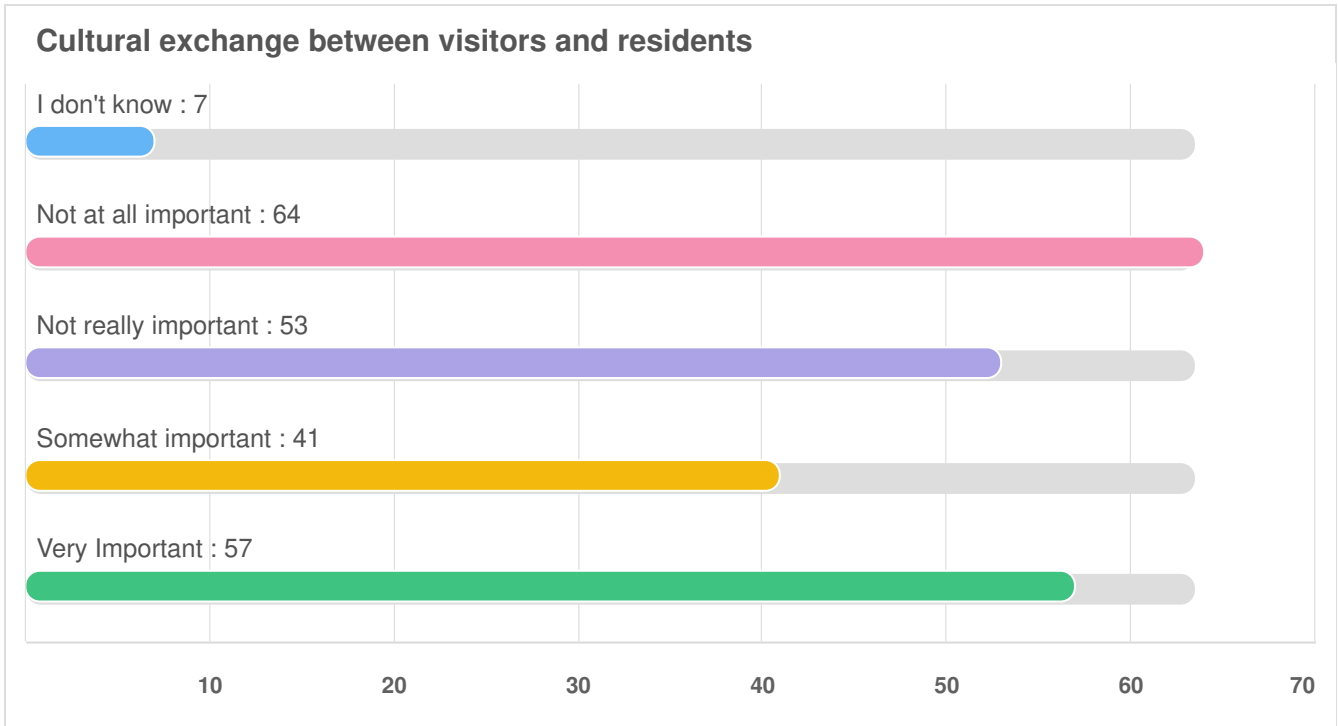
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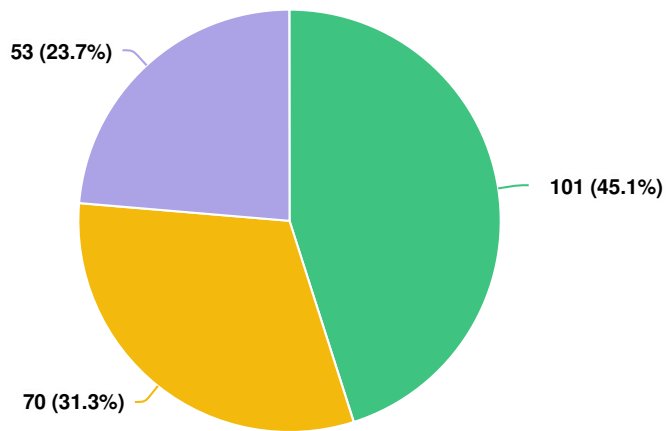
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Q7 | Do you live adjacent to, or near (within 100 metres), of a known vacation rental?



Question options

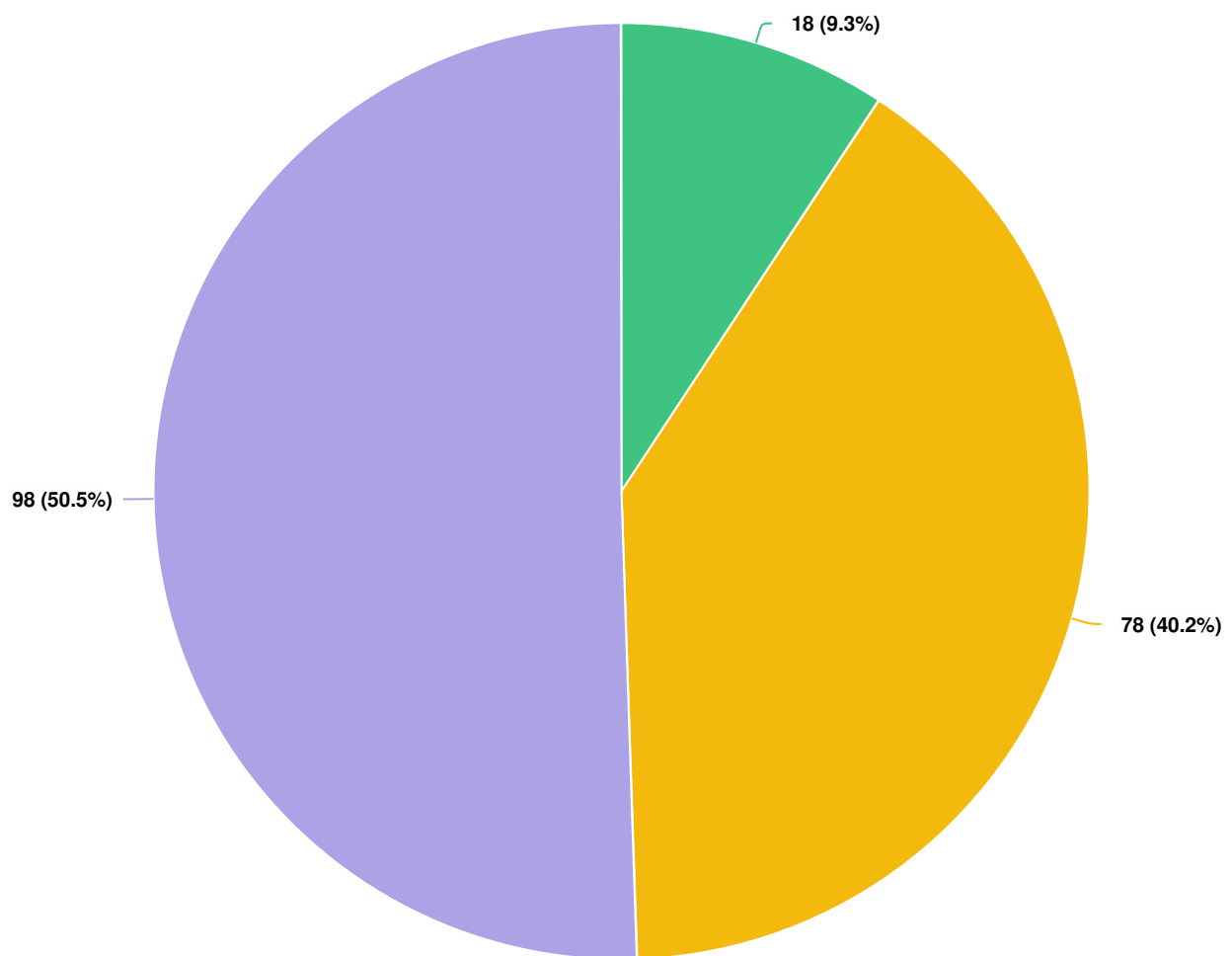
- Don't know
- No
- Yes

Optional question (223 response(s), 4 skipped)

Question type: Dropdown Question

Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? D

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

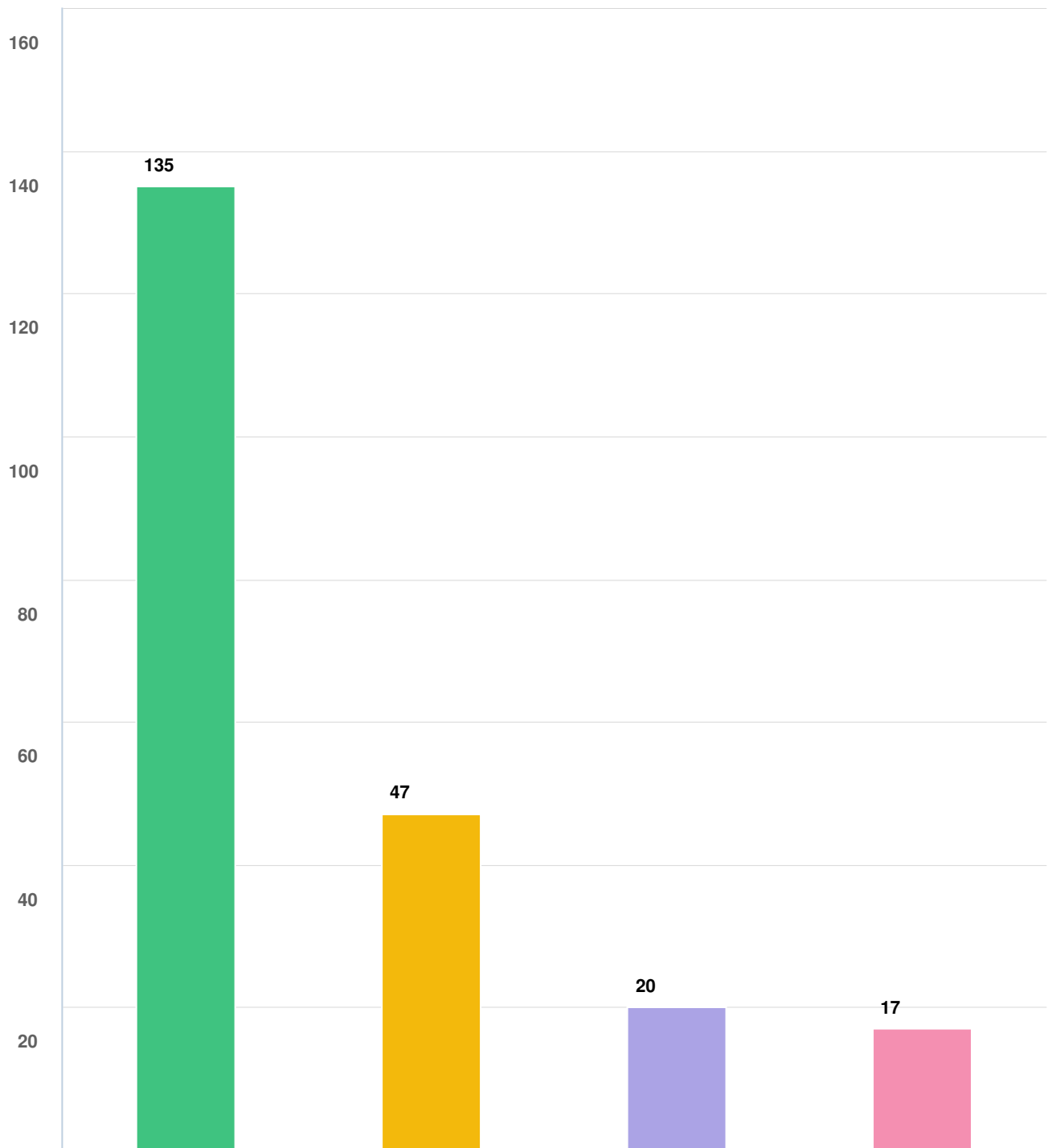
- Don't know
- No
- Yes

Optional question (193 response(s), 34 skipped)

Question type: Dropdown Question

Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? D

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



Question options

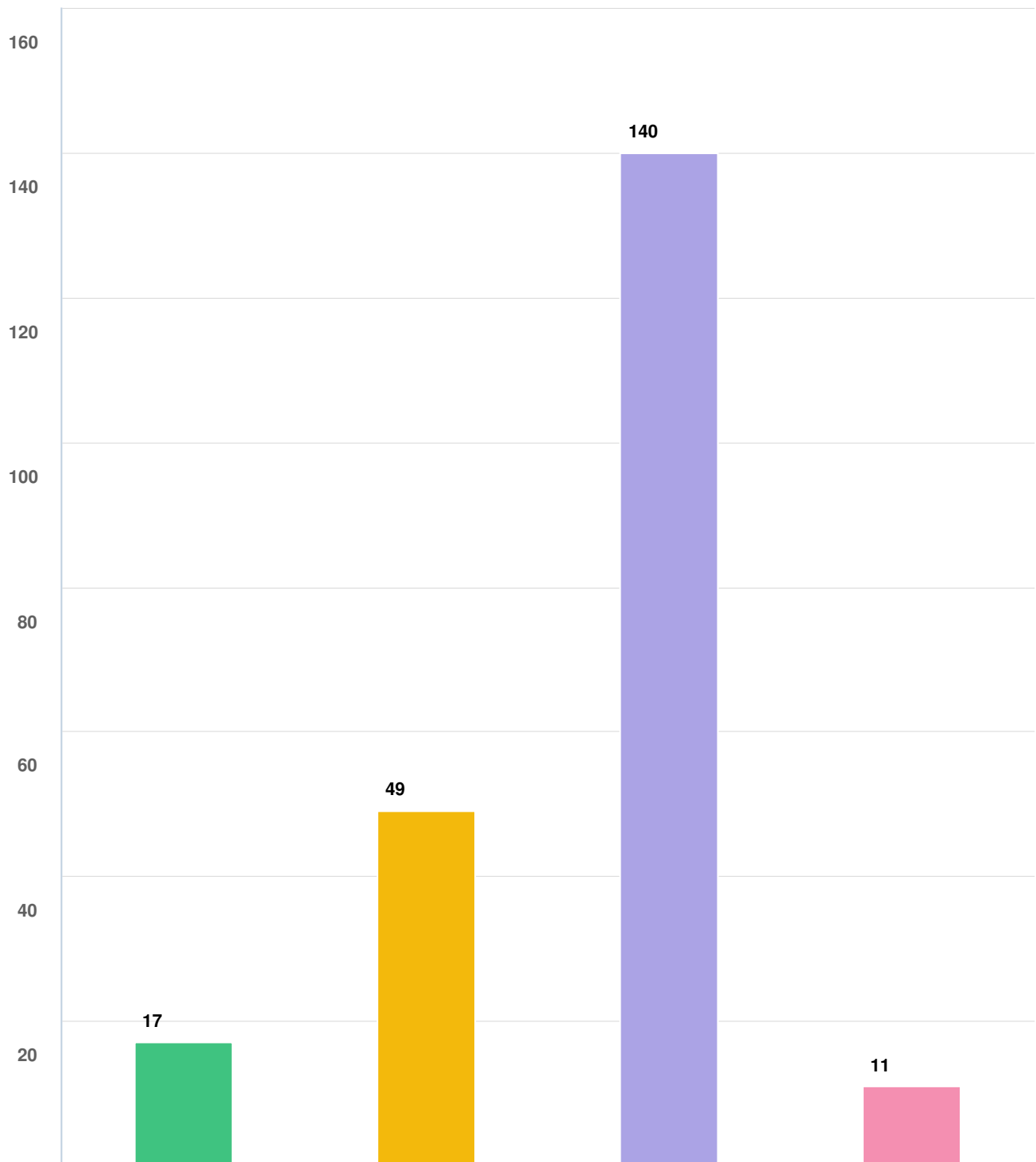
- Other (please describe):
- I am bothered regularly by a nearby vacation rental
- I have been occasionally bothered by a nearby vacation rental
- I haven't been bothered by nearby vacation rentals

Optional question (216 response(s), 11 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? D

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

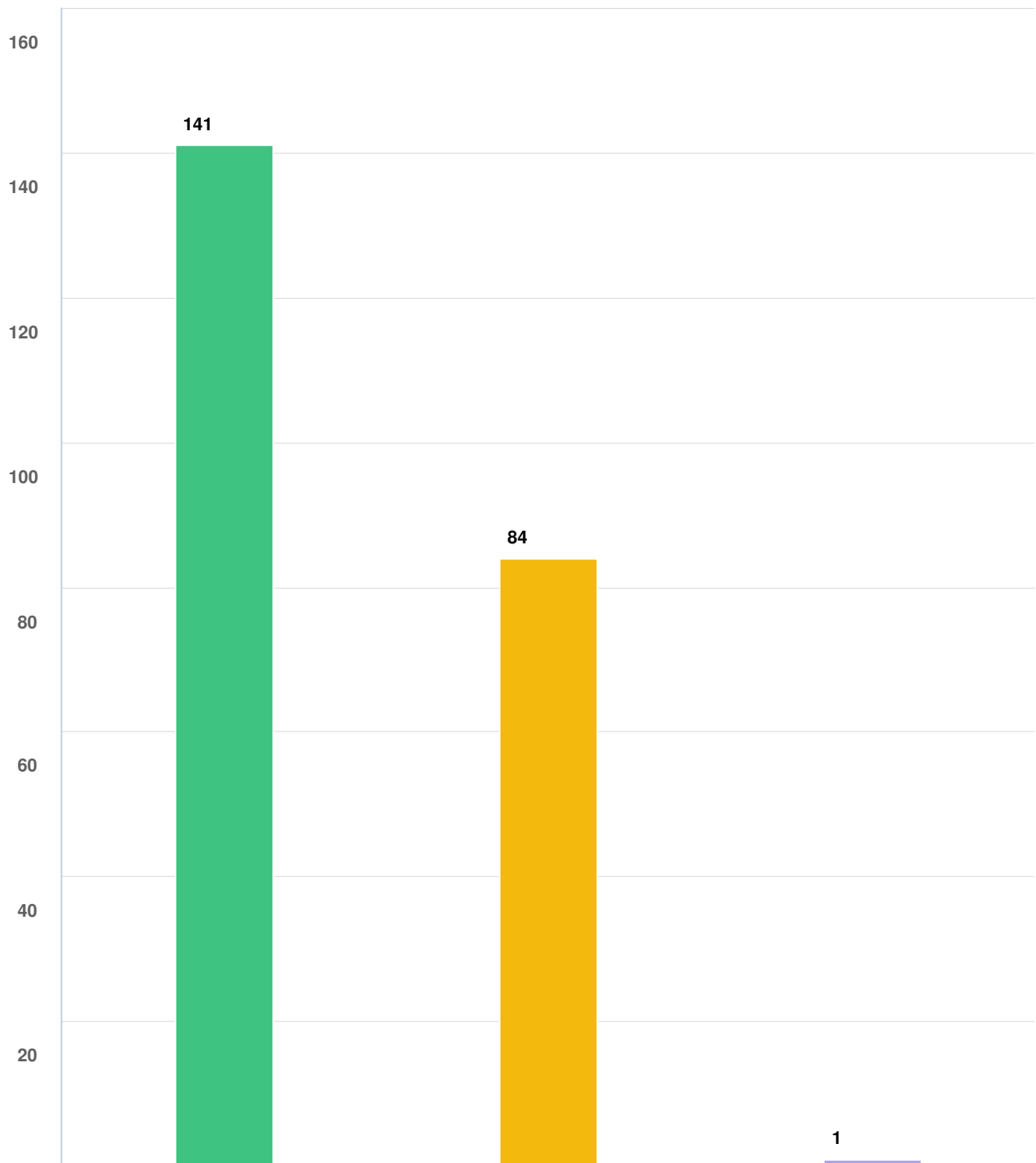
- Other (please specify)/comments:
- Not applicable
- No
- Yes

Optional question (216 response(s), 11 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? D

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



Question options

- Don't know
- No
- Yes

Optional question (225 response(s), 2 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? D

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

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Private yard

Screen Name Redacted

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Flexibility and a family of 5!!

Screen Name Redacted

1/11/2023 11:06 AM

Hotel/Motel too expensive for what you get. Don't want to meet with owners. Want privacy.

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1/11/2023 11:58 AM

I knew the owner and it was part of their home.

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Someone else booked it. We prefer hotel/motel.

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more applicable to our needs

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For several reasons. I have a number of food allergies and when travelling it is better to prepare my own food. Staying at a vacation rental with a kitchen allows me to do this. Also, when we rented a vacation rental for 2 months in California, family came and stayed with us over March break. The grandkids had a blast.

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Amenities and privacy

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Every time I have stayed in Airbnb it was a great experience for much less than a hotel.

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Different experiences than hotels

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Money to person in local community, better value for short stay, as needed a base

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Screen Name Redacted 1/12/2023 11:43 AM	Pet freindly accomodations are often difficult to find. The Air BnBs that I've stayed at allowed dogs at no additional fee.
Screen Name Redacted 1/12/2023 12:06 PM	More choice & privacy & value/price & relationship to hosts as we often return year after year to same rental Many hotels/motels in the Okanagan have been converted
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Screen Name Redacted 1/13/2023 09:32 AM	Better for family time and having a kitchen, sense of home away from home
Screen Name Redacted 1/13/2023 04:34 PM	We had 2 dogs and wanted to bring them with us.
Screen Name Redacted 1/13/2023 04:22 PM	More options for location
Screen Name Redacted 1/13/2023 06:22 PM	We knew the owner of the property and the property suited our needs better than commercial alternatives
Screen Name Redacted 1/13/2023 06:24 PM	Availability and location.
Screen Name Redacted 1/15/2023 08:27 PM	I was able to have a private place for my family to relax quietly while my children slept.
Screen Name Redacted 1/16/2023 09:25 AM	It was at a small town in Mexico, no other accommodation was available
Screen Name Redacted	Prefer the amenities of a self contained unit vs a hotel; and prefer the

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privacy of self contained unit vs a B&B.

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Pricing and location

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location and cost-3 bedroom vacation rental vs. 3 hotel rooms is very different

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Better option for group

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Better experience and contact with locals

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Ability to cook and privacy

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we had multiple families all travelling together and at this time vacation rentals were the cheaper option.

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Cost effective, more daily control

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It's a far better deal and hotels are noisy and not flexible.

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I prefer to have access to a kitchen, separate rooms from my children, and a more friendly experience...usually short term rentals are better value

1/18/2023 06:39 PM

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Cost and the more residential type of setting, more real life than a hotel, also preference for eating in (dietary needs)

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Amenities

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More private

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Screen Name Redacted 1/20/2023 02:53 PM	More space to bring a group of people
Screen Name Redacted 1/23/2023 09:27 AM	Location
Screen Name Redacted 1/23/2023 11:53 AM	If hotels are full vacation rentals are an excellent alternative. If travelling with a family larger than 4, hotels can't accommodate. I'm not interested in bed and breakfasts because it's awkward to have a stranger cook breakfast for you.
Screen Name Redacted 1/24/2023 09:19 AM	It was a condo rental
Screen Name Redacted 1/26/2023 09:35 PM	Cheaper
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 11:33 AM	Availability, and closer proximity to the things I wanted to do. Also gives a better sense of "living like the locals"
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 11:33 AM	Location. Privacy, cost
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 11:35 AM	Price, privacy and comfort of having a kitchen and more space.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 11:34 AM	More room with large group
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 11:43 AM	More personal more private. I have too many kids that can't sleep alone in a hotel room
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 11:43 AM	More comfortable and often cheaper. Get to enjoy being in the area with the privacy comforts of home.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 11:50 AM	Much more affordable. Better option for larger groups. Privacy and location.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 11:48 AM	Hotels are often fully booked and inflexible for check in...check out and accomodating my personal needs.

Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:04 PM	Privacy, location, accommodation of group, proximity to activity.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 11:52 AM	Convenience
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 11:53 AM	Price
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:11 PM	Unique experience, more room, feels like I'm in a home vs a little hotel room, affordability.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 11:52 AM	Cheaper for larger family
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:03 PM	Was overseas and the property owner was diligent in scrutinizing renters and maintained contact. We are also very quiet and do our thing and these properties were basically just places to sleep as we were out touring the city.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:06 PM	Availability and cost
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:09 PM	cost and more home like/amenities
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:12 PM	Cheaper. Nicer.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:10 PM	Unique experience not found in a hotel
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:15 PM	It was an extended-family vacation in Mexico, chosen by other family members.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:17 PM	Better price, more comfortable setting, good for families, cozy atmosphere

Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:42 PM	Best use of accommodation dollars spent. Full kitchen, much more relaxed atmosphere than a hotel, better set up for pets and children.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:40 PM	price and quality
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:43 PM	Family, cost, near ocean
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:45 PM	Affordability and value.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:53 PM	Wanted kitchen for food allergies - eating out not an option
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:58 PM	More convenient, quieter than hotel or motel, as they are Normally in busy areas
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:59 PM	cheaper
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 01:19 PM	The community had several VRBO properties on the ocean front and ski area
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 01:23 PM	So as a family, we could stay together (when with extended family especially). There is more space for everyone.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 01:26 PM	For privacy and enough space to be together as a family.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 01:35 PM	Get to stay in a residential neighborhood instead of busy downtown hotel
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 01:42 PM	We're 5+ family members in the rental
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 02:43 PM	Family gathering

Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 03:23 PM	location, size of accommodation and cost
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 03:44 PM	Easier to accommodate children, easier to make own meals, prefer the privacy
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 03:50 PM	privacy
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 04:21 PM	I've used a condo rental in Hawaii, not a SFH. I prefer hotels to gutting neighbourhoods. I am not opposed increased density in my neighbourhood, but prefer it to be neighbours. Also, Vacation rentals artificially elevate property values. I think the list should have other issues beside NIMBY. I haven't been bothered by rentals, I am don't think they should be encouraged for the reasons around affordability and need for long term rentals.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 05:08 PM	I love being in a home, you feel more relaxed and less in a box. I get to full unwind like Im in a home away from home. Better vacation experience hands down.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 06:11 PM	It feels more like home
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 06:18 PM	Size and location.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 07:09 PM	Sometimes cheaper than hotels
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 07:17 PM	I find it to be more affordable, more personable away from noise and intrusion of being downtown and the overall ambiance just suits me better. Plus, I travel with my dog and hotels just don't make that easy.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 08:39 PM	Be independent and on our own in a larger space and it's more affordable
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 09:20 PM	We know the owners and the complex is full of vacation rentals, ver few real owners present

Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 11:25 PM	Large group of both family and friends
Screen Name Redacted 2/02/2023 10:37 AM	up at a ski hill where vacation rentals are permitted and do not take away from a full-time living community feel
Screen Name Redacted 2/02/2023 06:43 AM	A better overall experience with local community
Screen Name Redacted 2/02/2023 07:49 AM	More amenities, choose your area, feels homey, choose from a variety of options that is suitable for you. To be honest motels/hotels in the Okanagan are horrible and crazy expensive for what they are so I encourage vacation rentals.
Screen Name Redacted 2/02/2023 08:53 AM	location
Screen Name Redacted 2/02/2023 02:29 PM	Better area
Screen Name Redacted 2/02/2023 03:54 PM	Bigger space, in a neighborhood, free parking(usually)
Screen Name Redacted 2/02/2023 05:13 PM	Cost, privacy, convience
Screen Name Redacted 2/02/2023 05:59 PM	We wanted a long term rental, usually 6 - 8 weeks for remote working
Screen Name Redacted 2/02/2023 06:40 PM	Rural area that had no hotels
Screen Name Redacted 2/02/2023 09:37 PM	Unique property
Screen Name Redacted 2/03/2023 10:02 AM	they are more private and I like being in a neighborhood instead of a Hotel-not a fan of hotels
Screen Name Redacted 2/03/2023 01:43 PM	More of a homey feel than a hotel or motel and more privacy and quiet than a B&B.

Screen Name Redacted 2/03/2023 03:22 PM	Location, price, number of guests.
Screen Name Redacted 2/03/2023 10:33 PM	In Europe full kitchen and lack of hotels in region
Screen Name Redacted 2/04/2023 07:45 AM	Friendly!
Screen Name Redacted 2/04/2023 08:09 AM	Convenient, location, cost effective
Screen Name Redacted 2/04/2023 09:23 AM	Family can stay together
Screen Name Redacted 2/04/2023 12:49 PM	Better facilities for family time and more options to explore the community
Screen Name Redacted 2/04/2023 07:11 PM	We cook our own meals, swim in private pool, enjoy the views without others bothering and enjoying wine on decks with views.
Screen Name Redacted 2/04/2023 07:39 PM	Better accommodations better pricing can bring the family and stay together
Screen Name Redacted 2/05/2023 02:42 PM	Reasonable Convenience & reasonable cost - close to relatives who we visited
Screen Name Redacted 2/05/2023 02:47 PM	Location
Screen Name Redacted 2/05/2023 03:42 PM	Larger for family. More like home
Screen Name Redacted 2/05/2023 04:52 PM	Just another option
Screen Name Redacted 2/06/2023 09:28 AM	Distant rural/ isolated location, no hotels/ motels nearby

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2/06/2023 09:18 PM

More flexible, better value for money. More enjoyable to have an home from home. Most owners have rules regarding noise etc and usually give lots of tips of where to explore " hidden gems ". I'm always respectful of the neighbours.

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Privacy

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Better value for money spent. Better amenities.

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2/07/2023 01:39 PM

No reasonable hotels nearby

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2/07/2023 01:37 PM

Cheaper & better for my family

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2/07/2023 02:25 PM

To expensive to afford, very small confined areas

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2/07/2023 02:25 PM

More privacy, room, and able to stay in a home-like atmosphere.

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2/07/2023 03:29 PM

More like home

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2/07/2023 04:13 PM

Convenience for my family and pricing is a better value.

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2/07/2023 04:35 PM

supporting the homeowner and community. Rather than the big hotel chains. This allowed me to cook meals and shop locally and support the local farmers/grocery rather than going out for meals every night. It was comfortable and felt like home. Vacation rentals provide privacy for your family and be able to enjoy all the amenities that the vacation home has. In addition, you get to meet the neighbors, have a glass of wine together enjoy the back yard invite them over for a barbeque. You absolutely can't do that in a hotel/motel/bed and breakfast. Staying at a vacation rental also allows people to bring their boats to enjoy their summer. One cannot do that at a hotel/motel or bed and breakfast!!

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Although we prefer to stay in a hotel or motel, as the quality of

2/07/2023 04:36 PM

amenities is consistent. There is supervision of the building, there are reasonable rules, and reasonable requests of guests. There is help for problems. We chose to stay in a vacation rental that was licensed in Victoria BC as there were no hotel/motel accommodations for the large event that we were attending.

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2/07/2023 07:02 PM

Better family friendly options. Also, there aren't many hotels in OK falls.

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2/07/2023 07:37 PM

Flexibility, having a kitchen and separate living spaces for family, comfort, ability to relax vs being in a hotel.

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2/07/2023 08:02 PM

More options. Better experience.

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2/08/2023 09:45 AM

More comfortable and affordable. Home comforts while on vacation and immersed in the culture right away.

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2/08/2023 01:04 PM

Cost of hotels was too high. Able to get a more family friendly accommodation. Do not prefer B & B due to having to live with someone you don't know & lack of privacy.

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2/08/2023 01:14 PM

We have three kids, with large age gaps and need our own space. Hotels cannot accommodate us, as we have no control over the kids locking doors on joined rooms, and renting two rooms is cost-prohibitive and undesirable compared to a home with a full kitchen and rooms that don't lock.

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2/08/2023 02:25 PM

The accommodation suits our family better than what hotels and B & B's offer. We like the locations better and having a kitchen. We like the home away from home feel.

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Lower rates

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2/08/2023 06:24 PM

100%. We exclusively stay in vacation rentals as hotels aren't family and/or pet friendly, don't offer kitchens or a "home" like experience when traveling as a family, etc. I use hotels when traveling for business, but 100% of our family travels are via short term rentals. It enables us to stay longer, enjoy the area more, and ultimately to

contribute back to the local economy in a meaningful way as we explore/adventure.

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Privacy and a more homey feel

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2/08/2023 10:58 PM

Feel more at home.

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2/09/2023 10:07 PM

Facilities to make your own dinners. Less "commercial like" atmosphere. Cheaper.

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2/11/2023 11:17 AM

Travelling with a group or a family is easier when you are in a vacation rental. Seperate sleeping areas, ability to cook food, access to BBQ's, in quieter areas etc.

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2/11/2023 01:46 PM

Because it was cheaper than a hotel

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2/12/2023 11:55 AM

Able to 'cook in' and enjoy the views.

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2/12/2023 09:09 PM

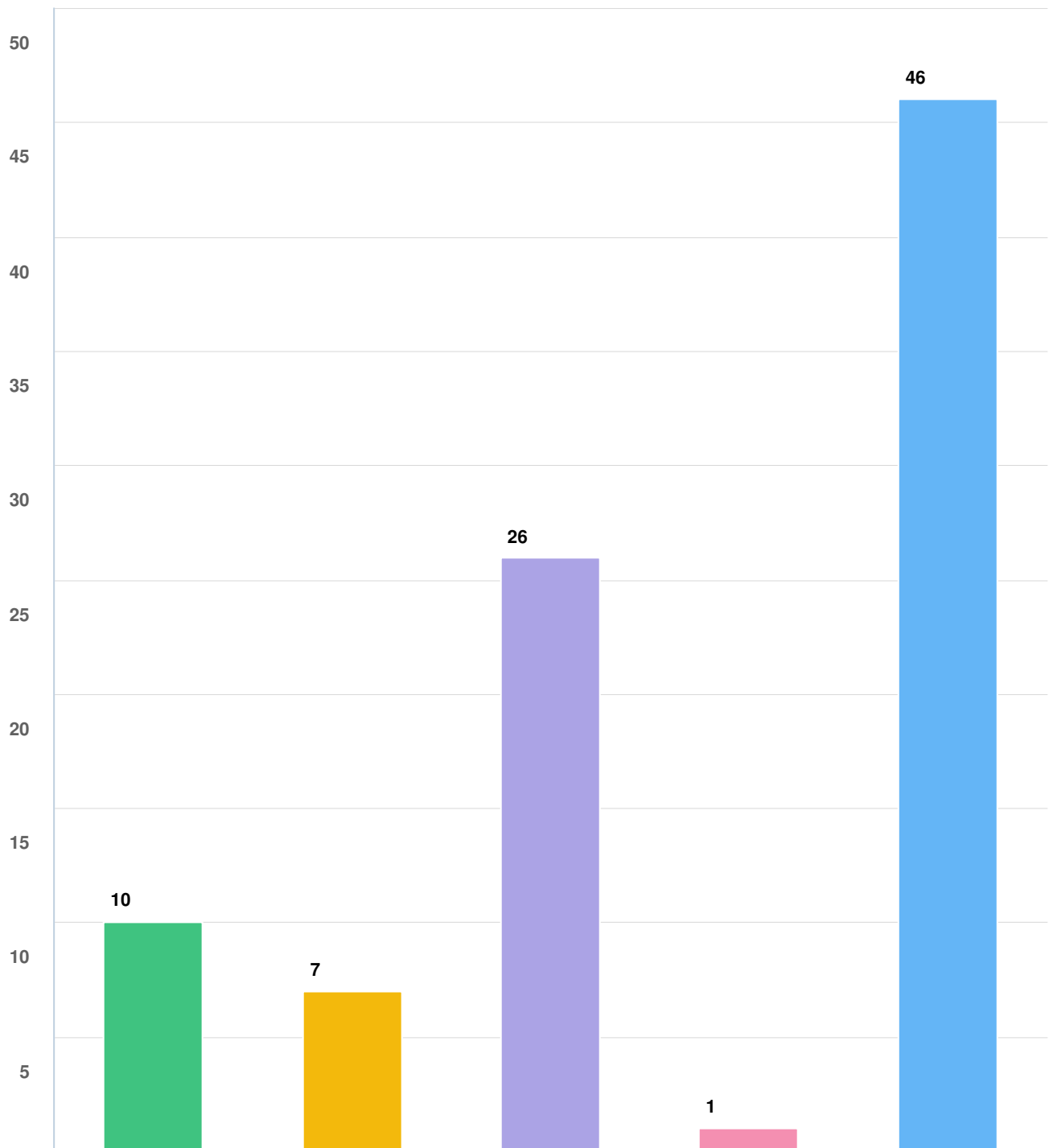
Location

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Question type: Essay Question

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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

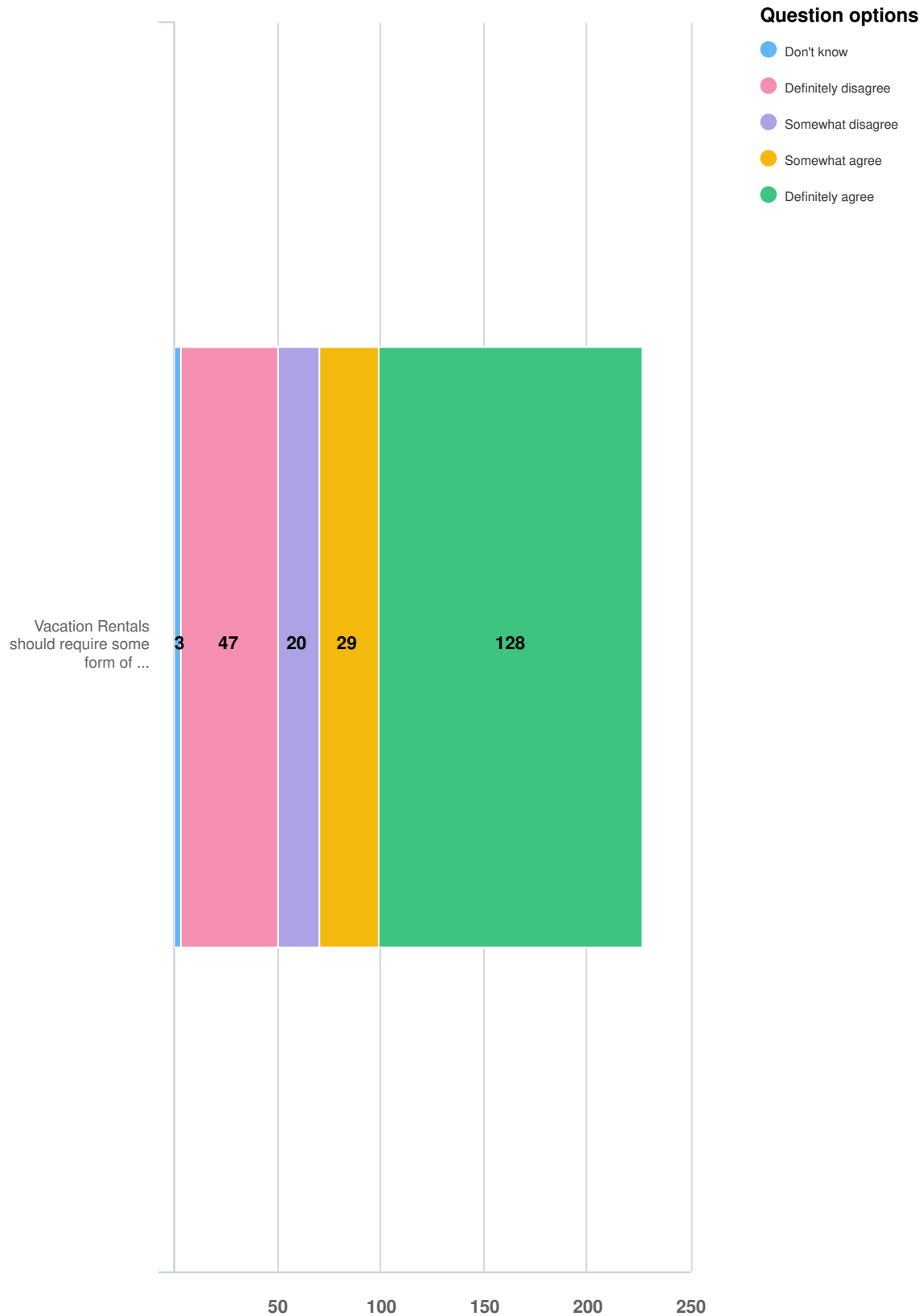
- Other (please specify)
- I didn't think it would get approved
- I believe I should be allowed to rent without any permit
- It was too expensive
- I didn't know I had to

Optional question (82 response(s), 145 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

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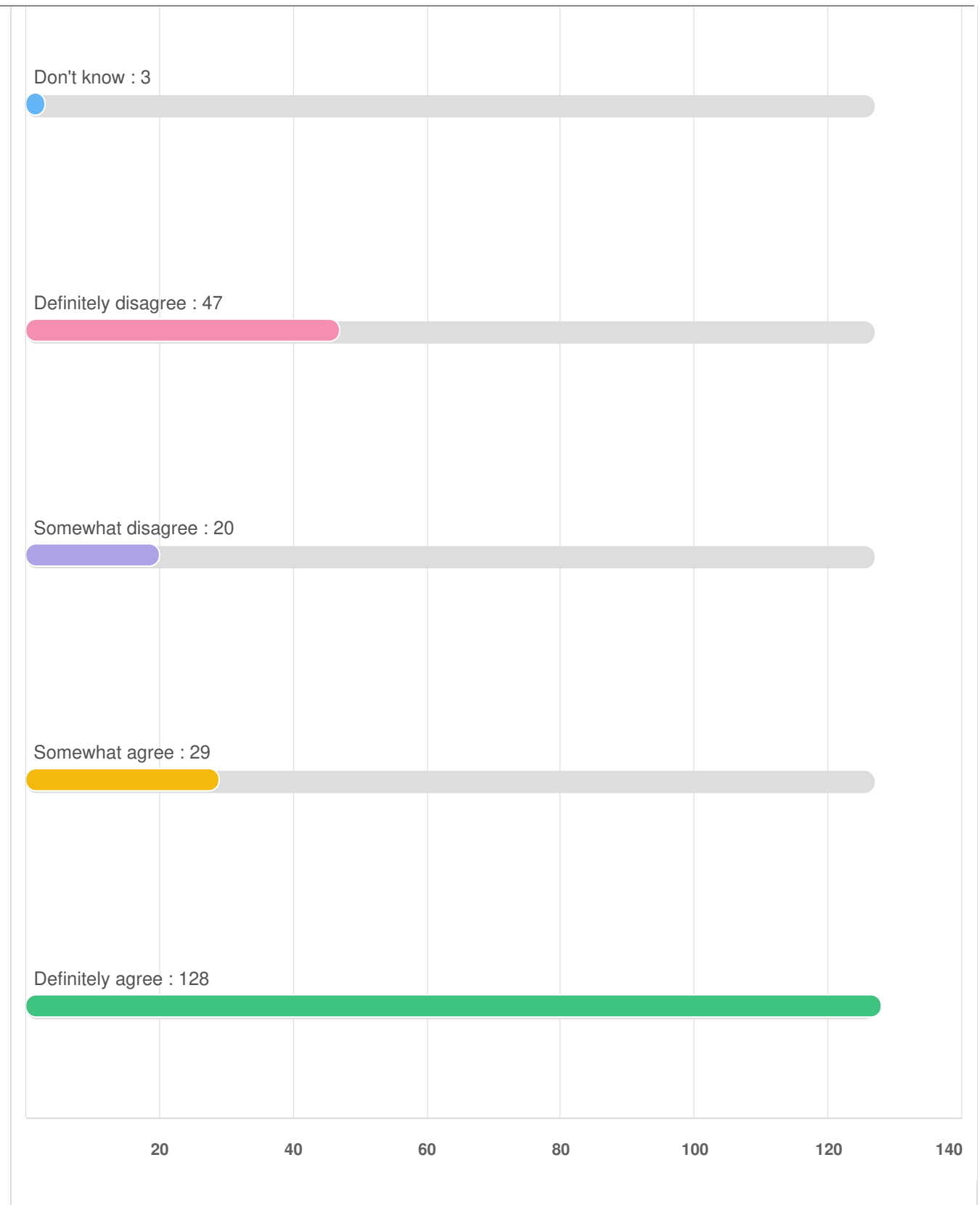


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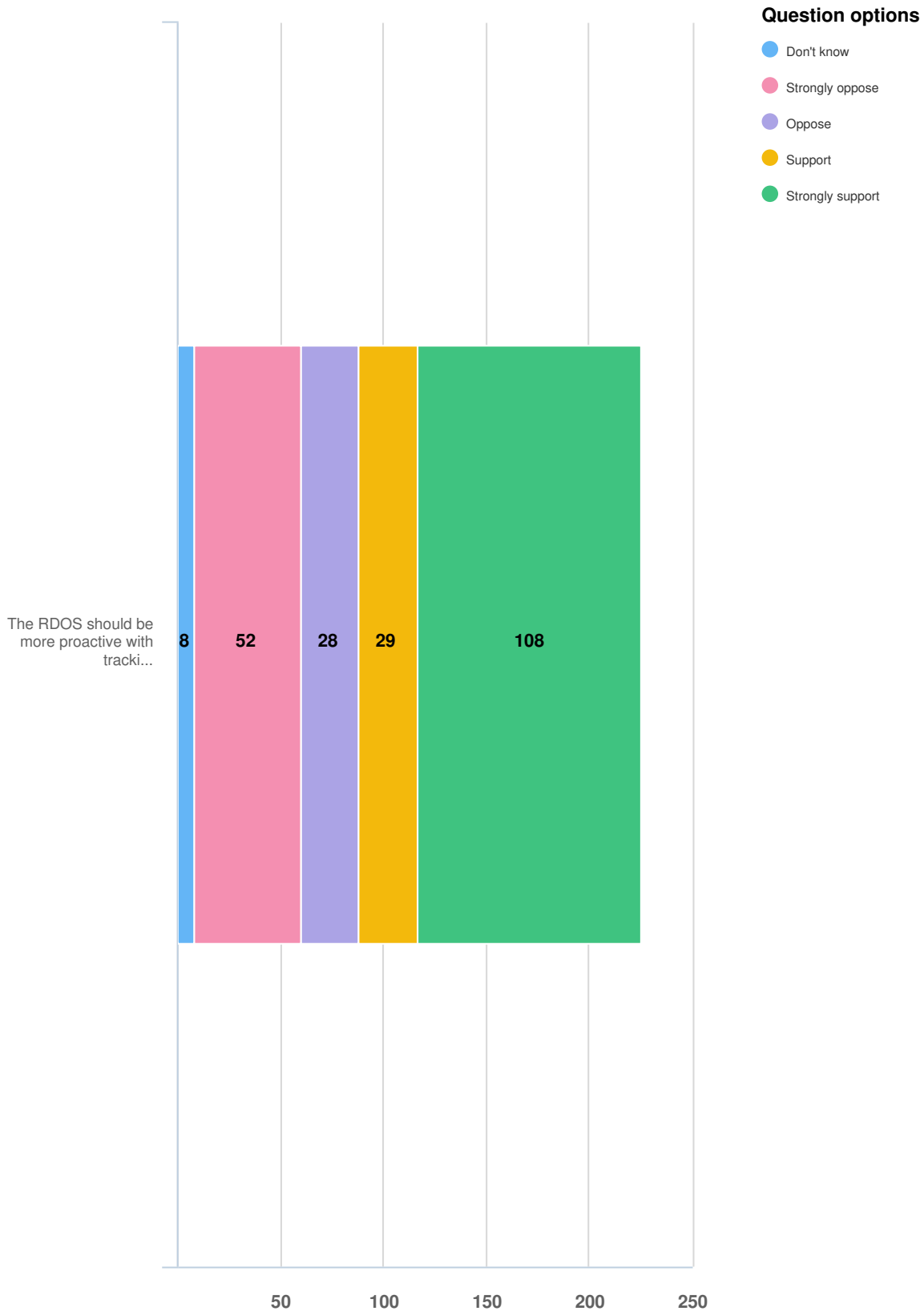
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Vacation Rentals should require some form of permitting from the RDOS.



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...

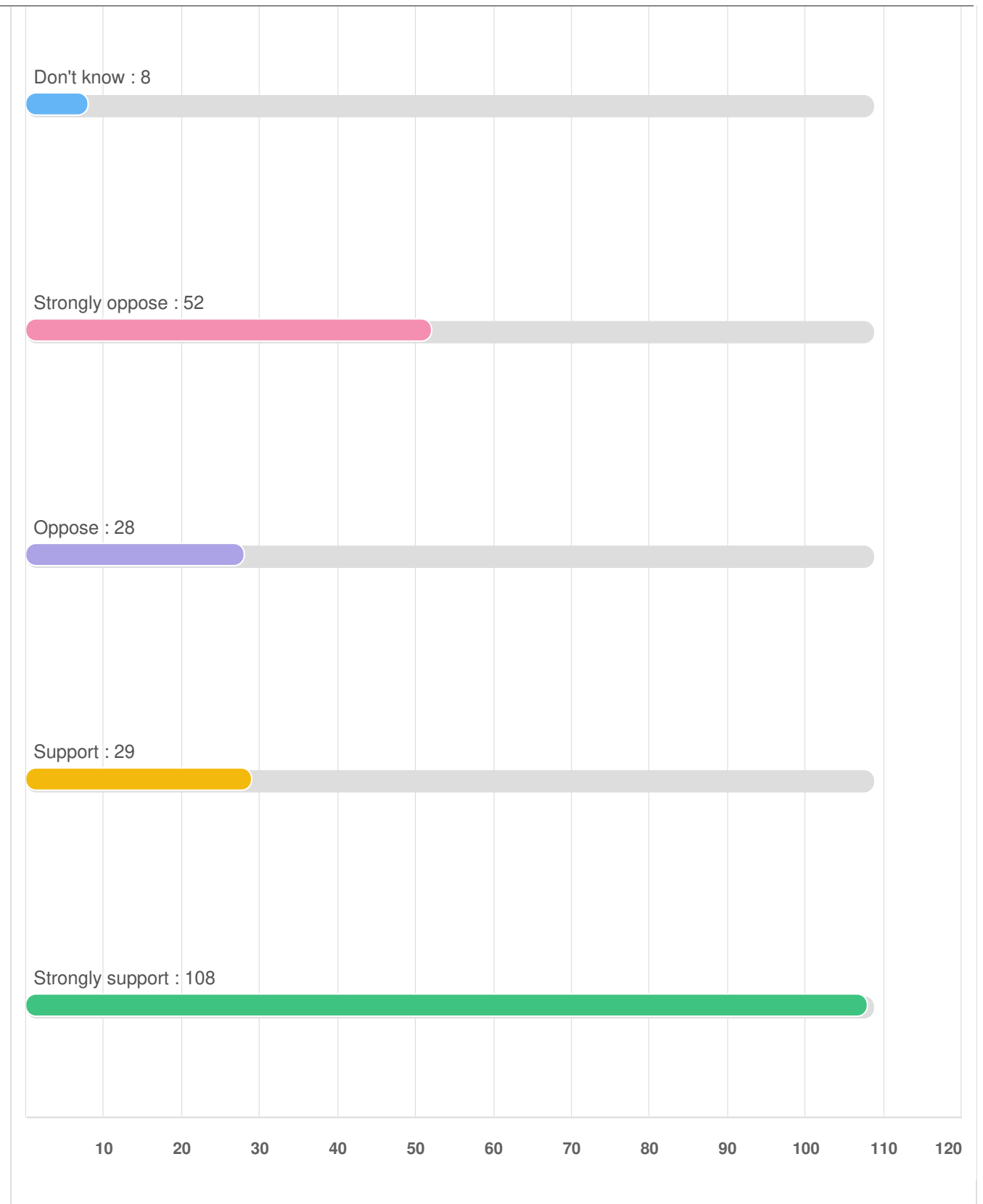


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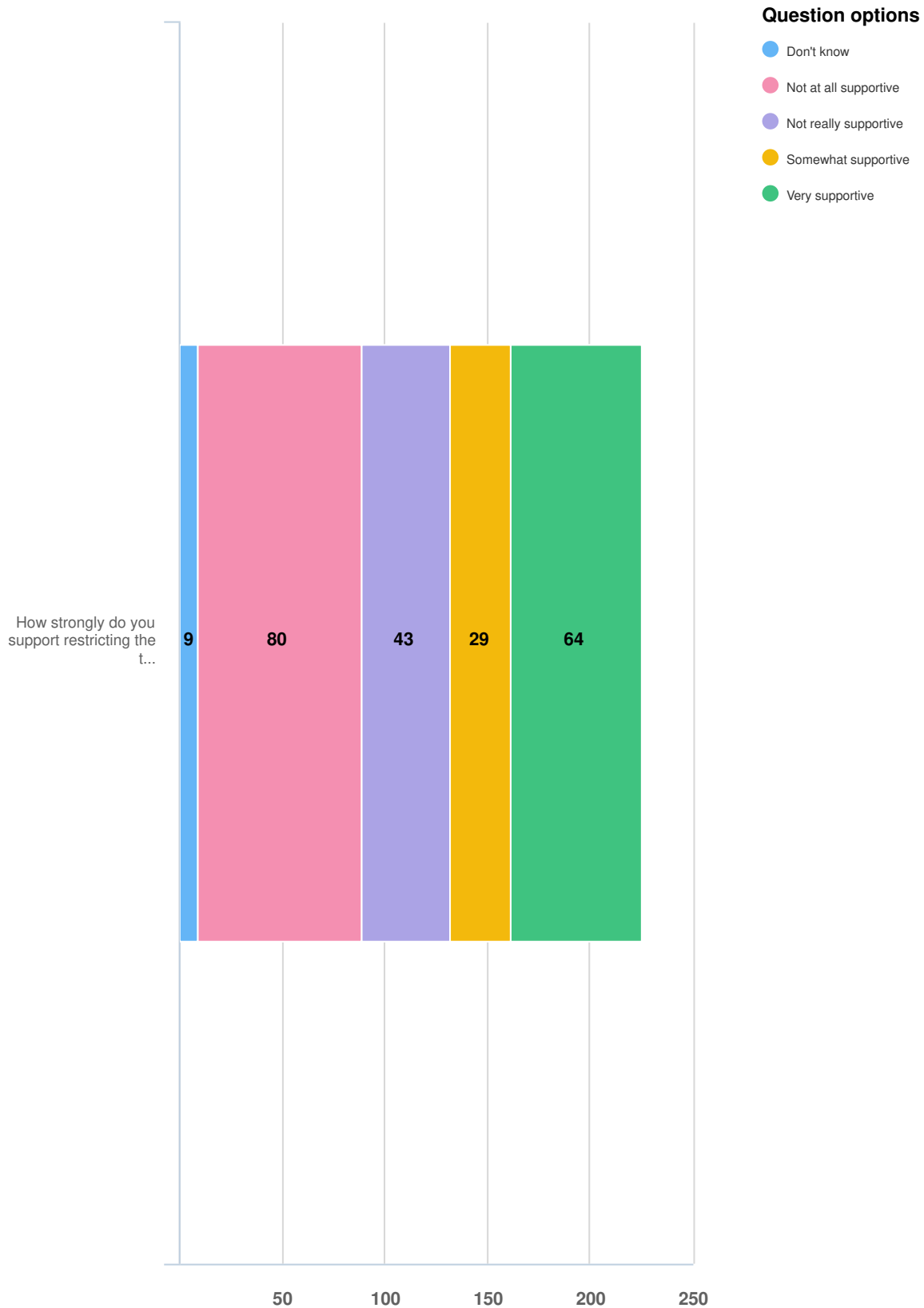
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The RDOS should be more proactive with tracking and enforcing Vacation Rentals



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...

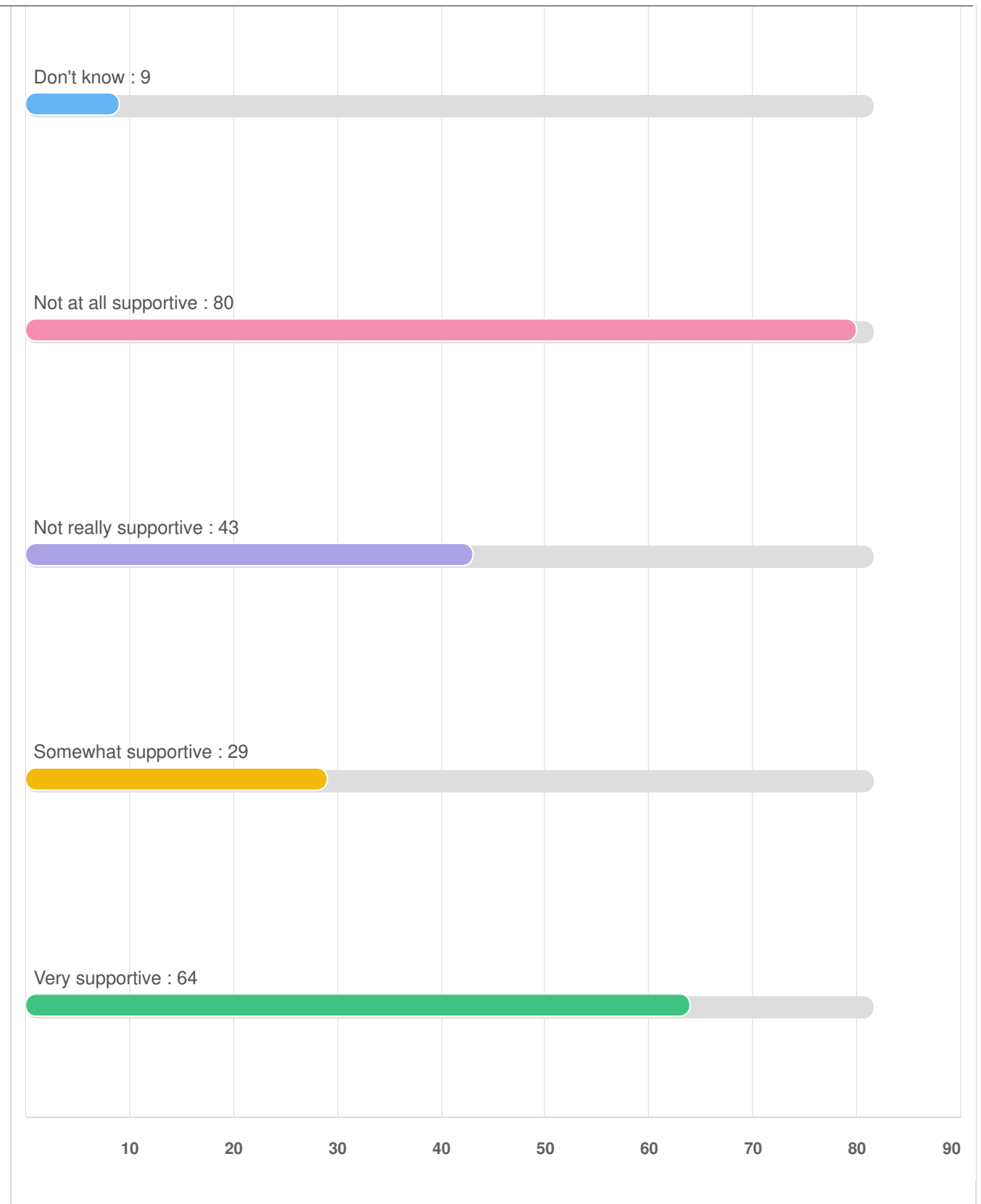


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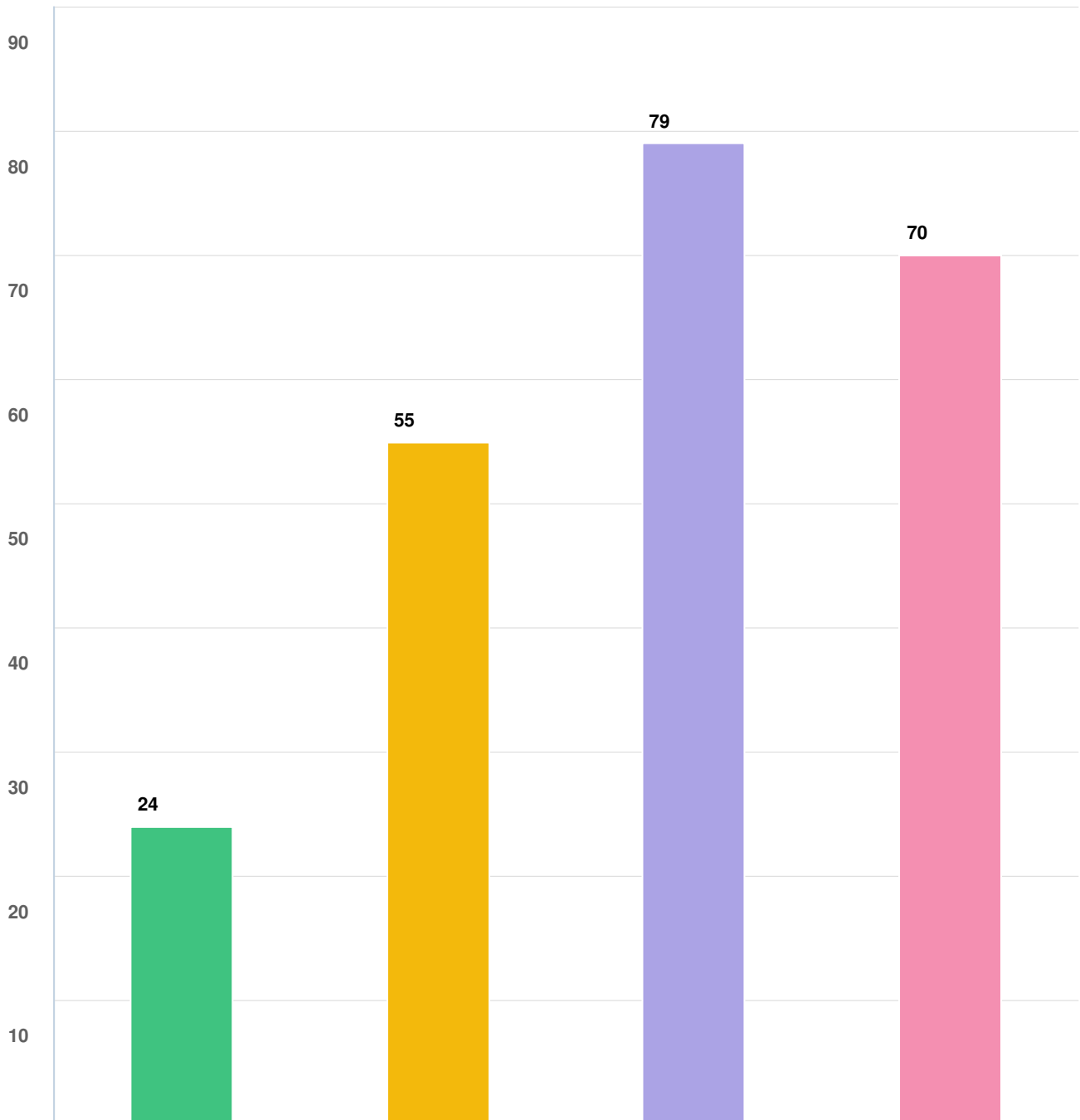
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How strongly do you support restricting the timeframe of operating a Vacation Rental?



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...



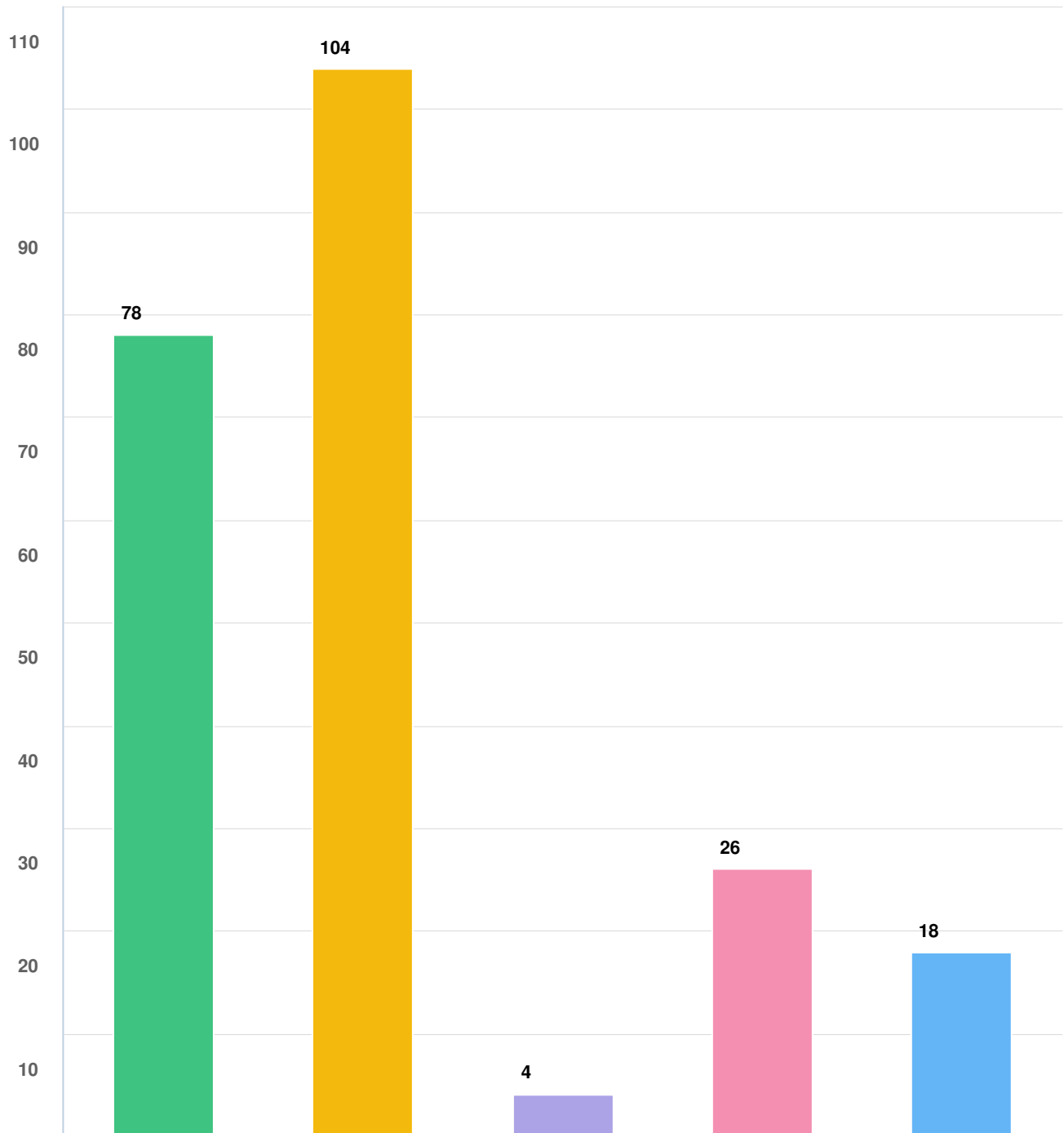
Question options

- 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 (217 response(s), 10 skipped)
 Question type: Checkbox Question

Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? D

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.



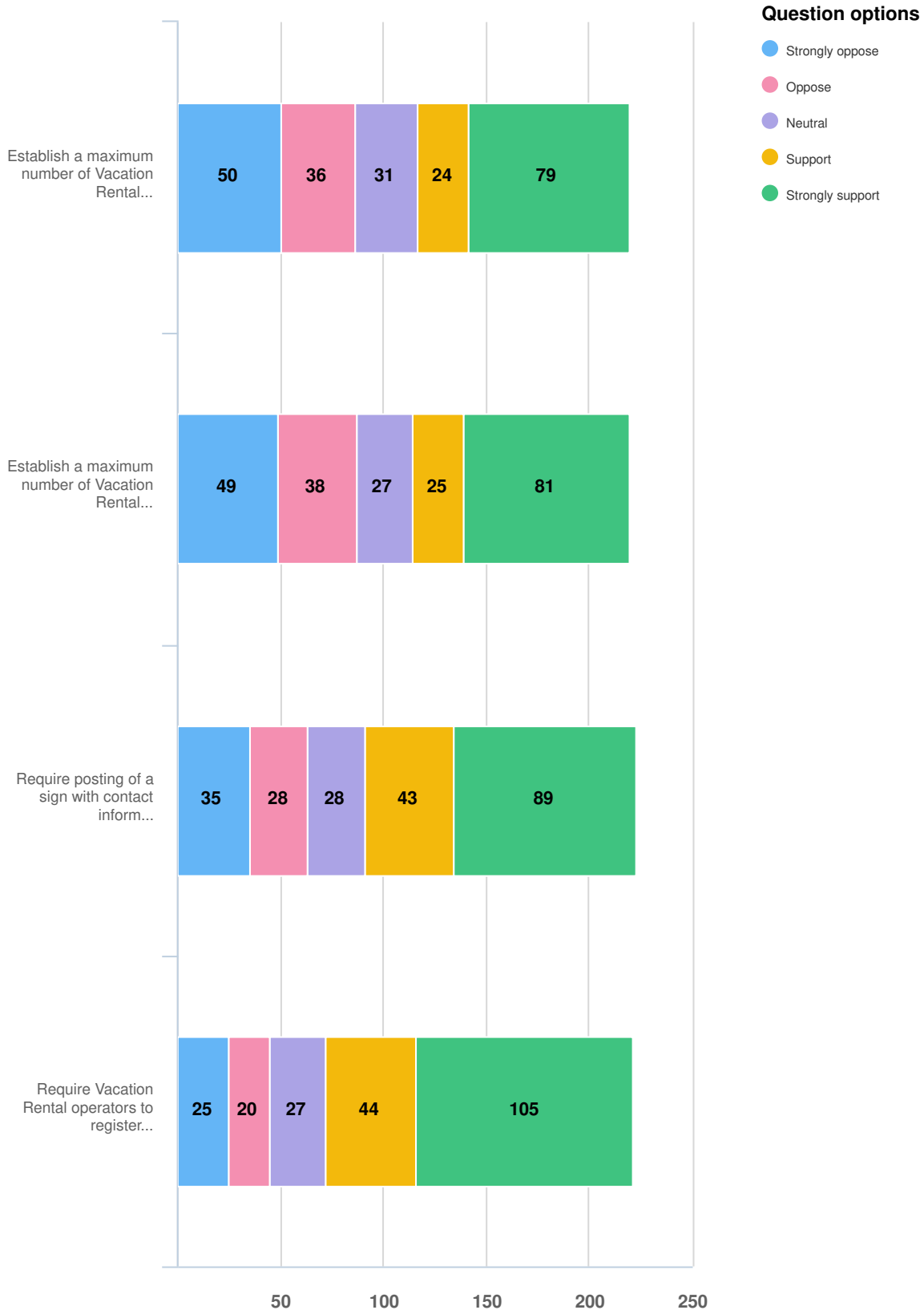
Question options

- 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 (223 response(s), 4 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:



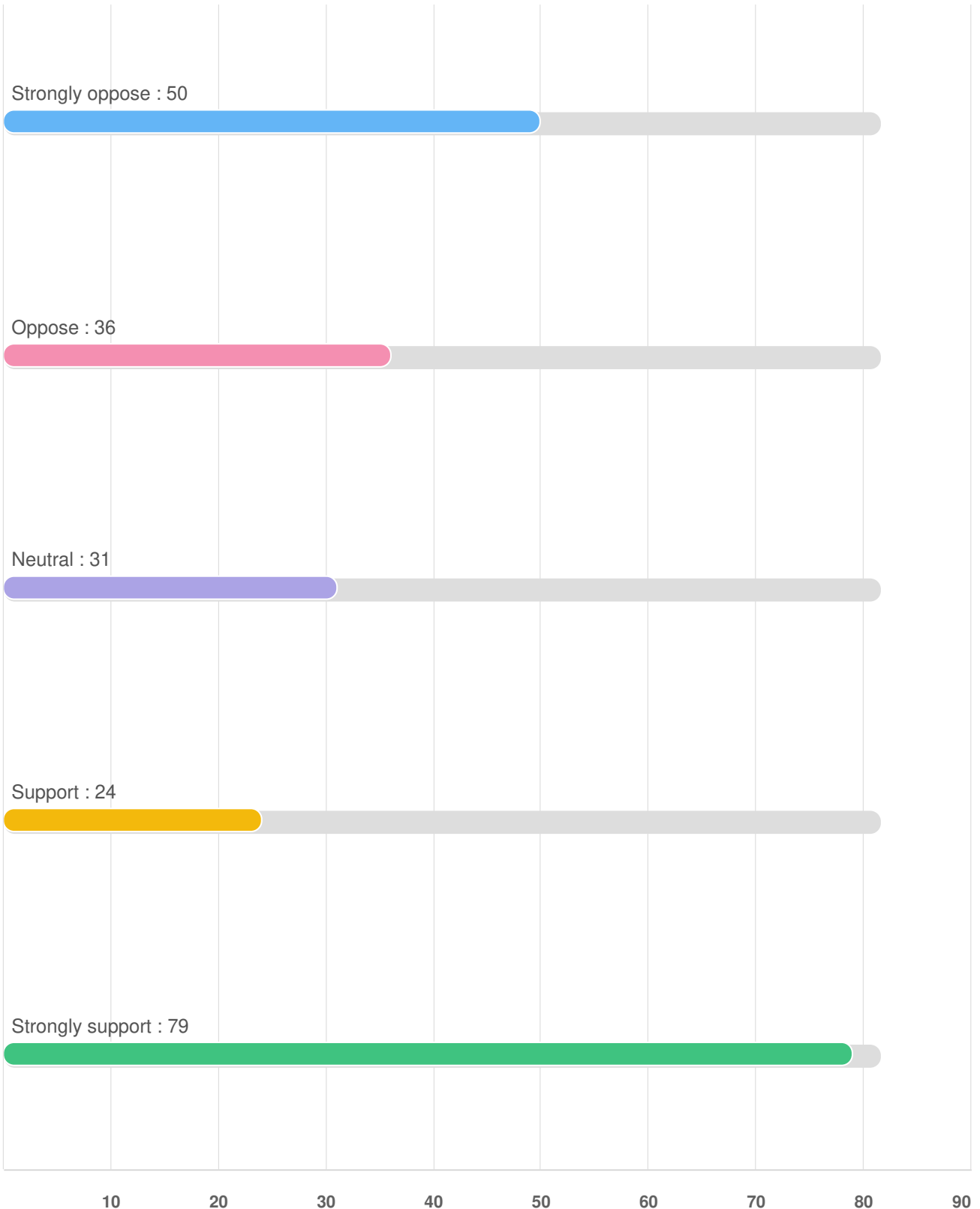
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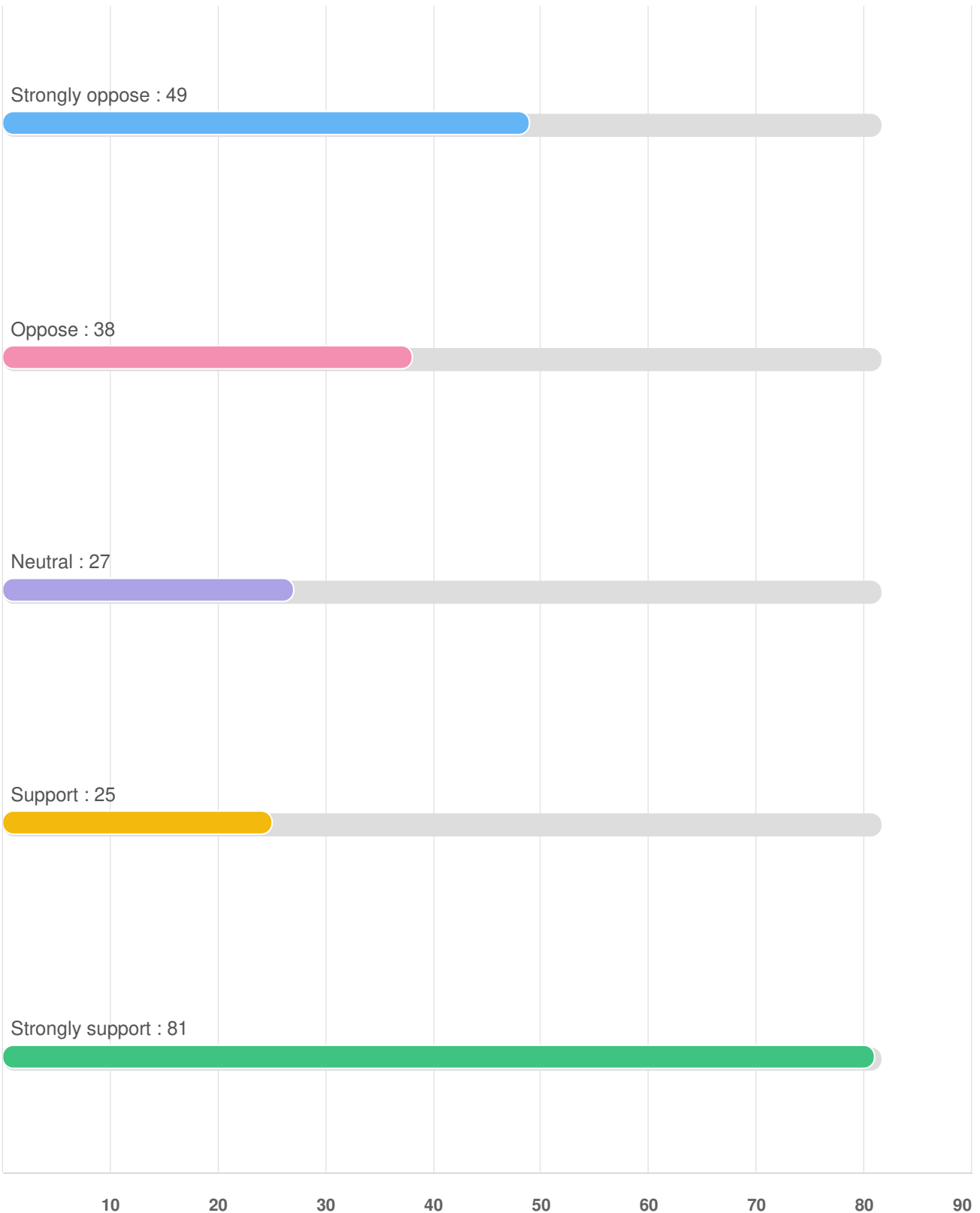
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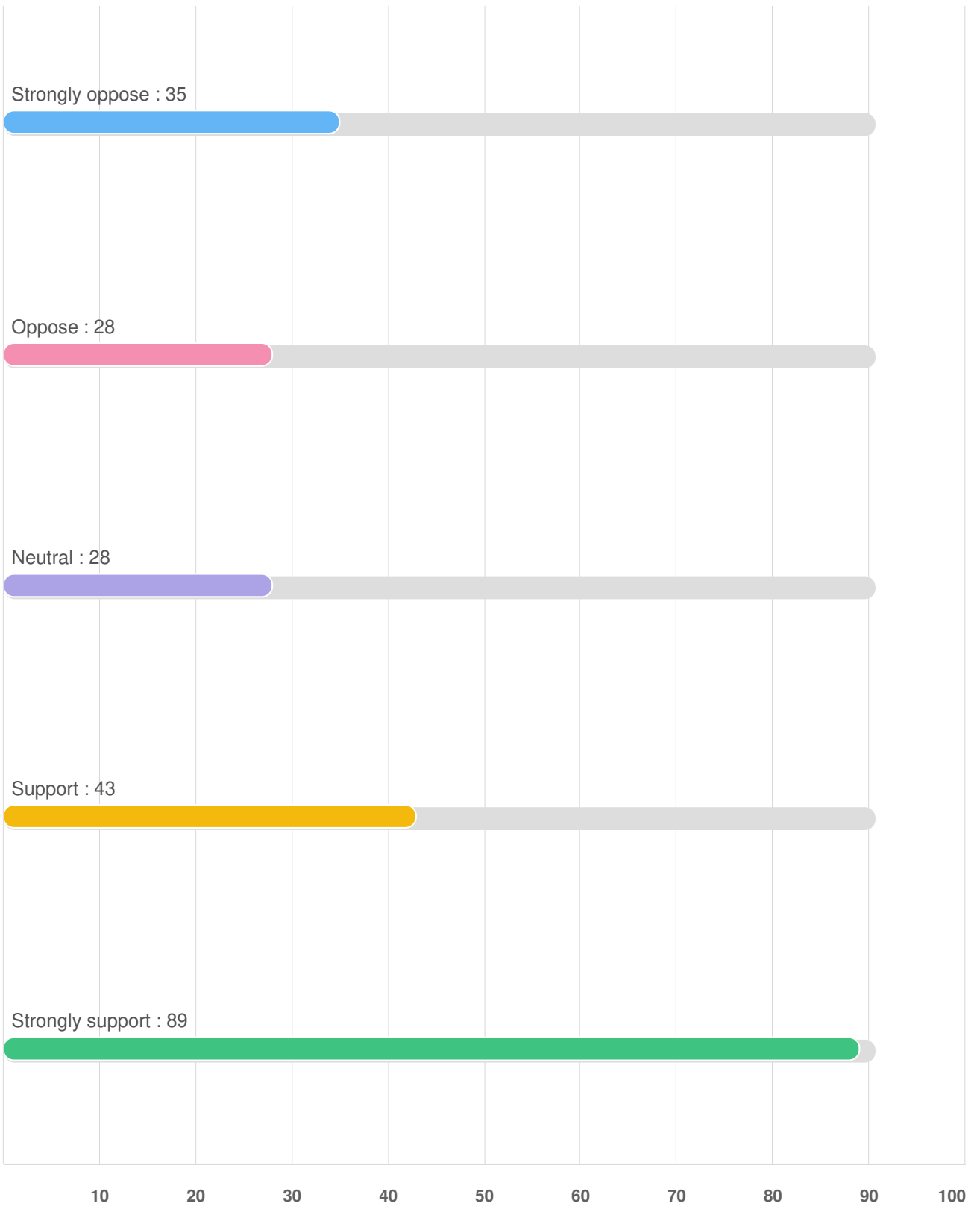
Establish a maximum number of Vacation Rentals allowed within an Electoral Area



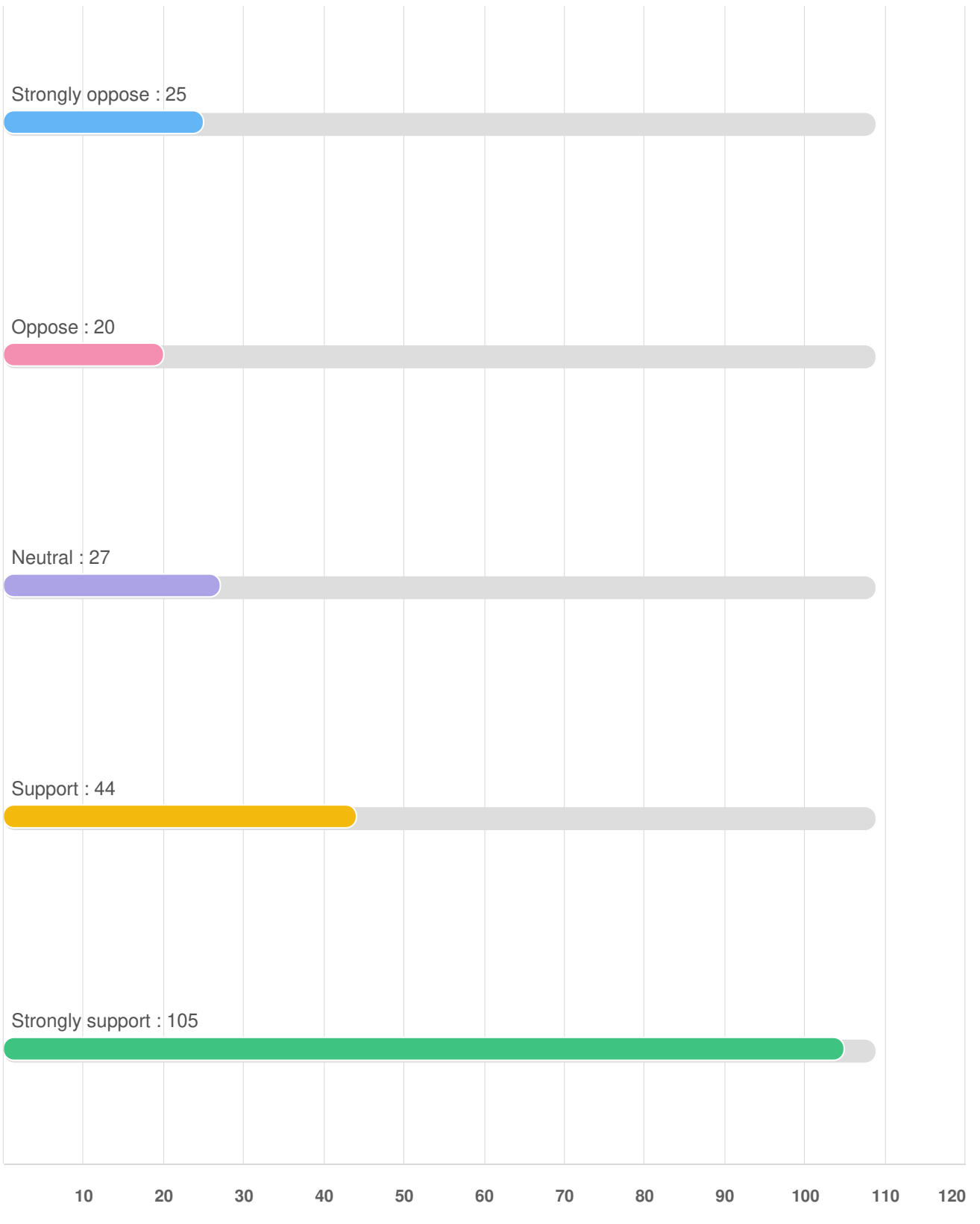
Establish a maximum number of Vacation Rentals allowed within a specific radius (e.g. 250 metres) of each other



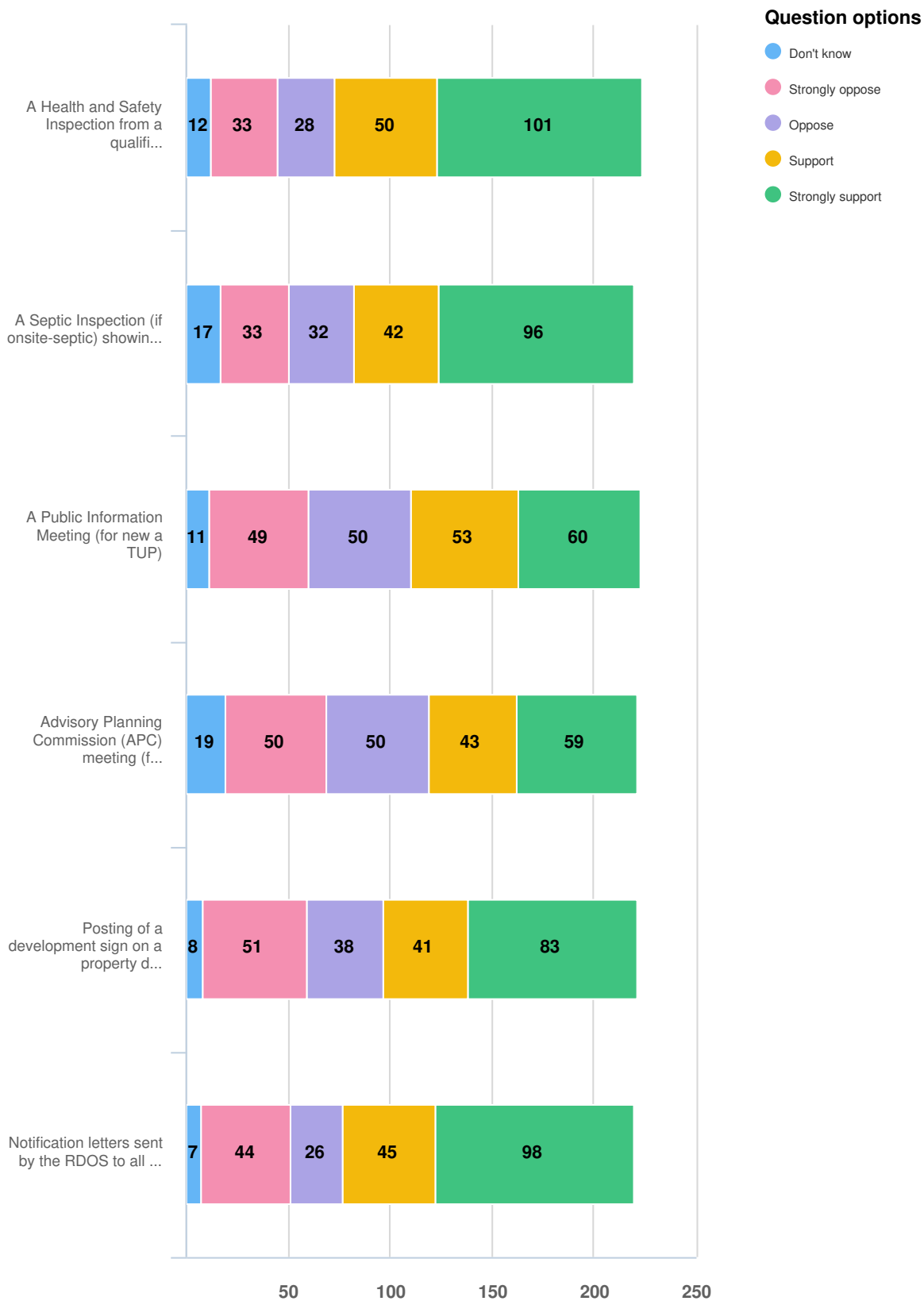
Require posting of a sign with contact information for the Vacation Rental operator that can be seen by neighbours



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...

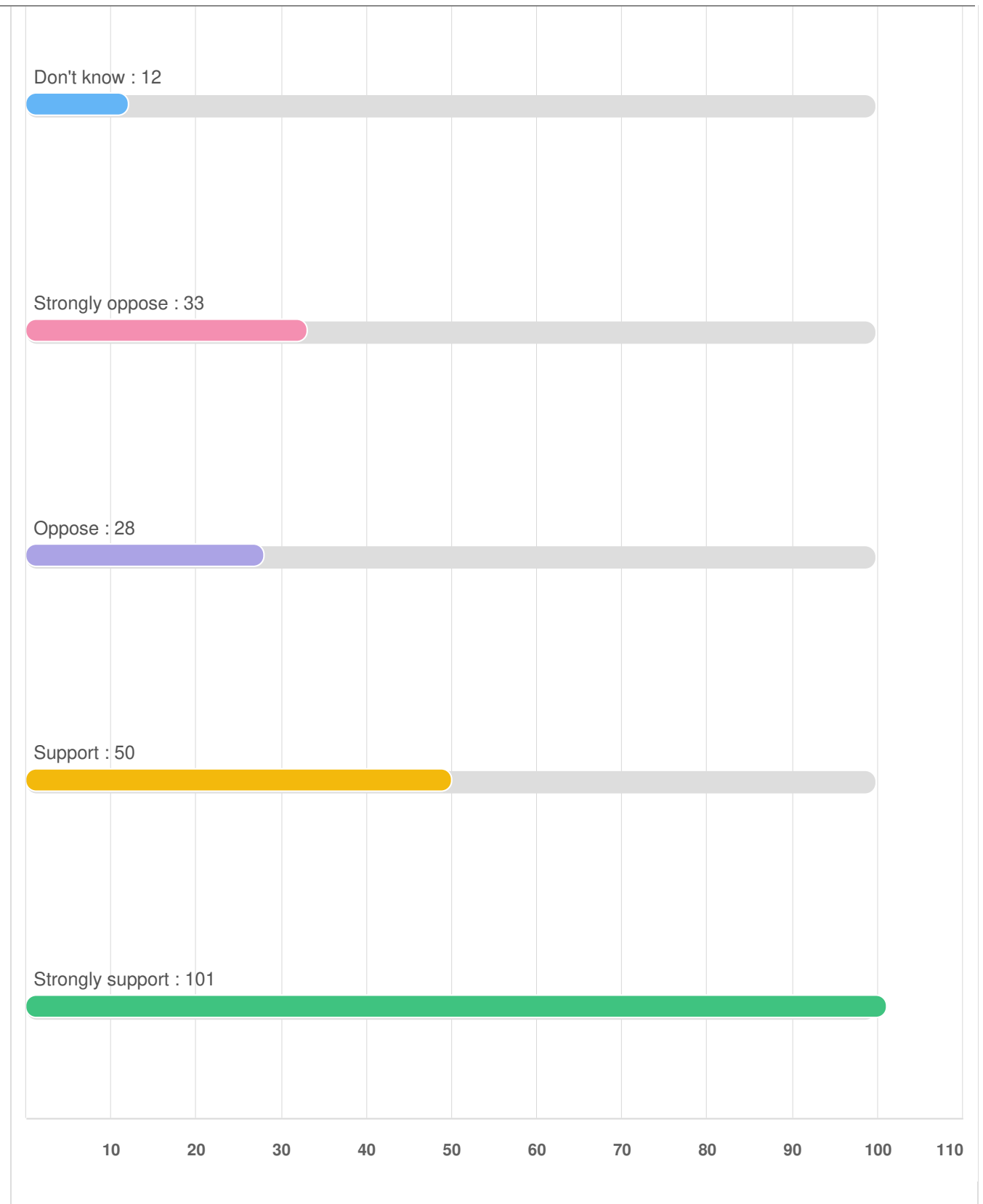


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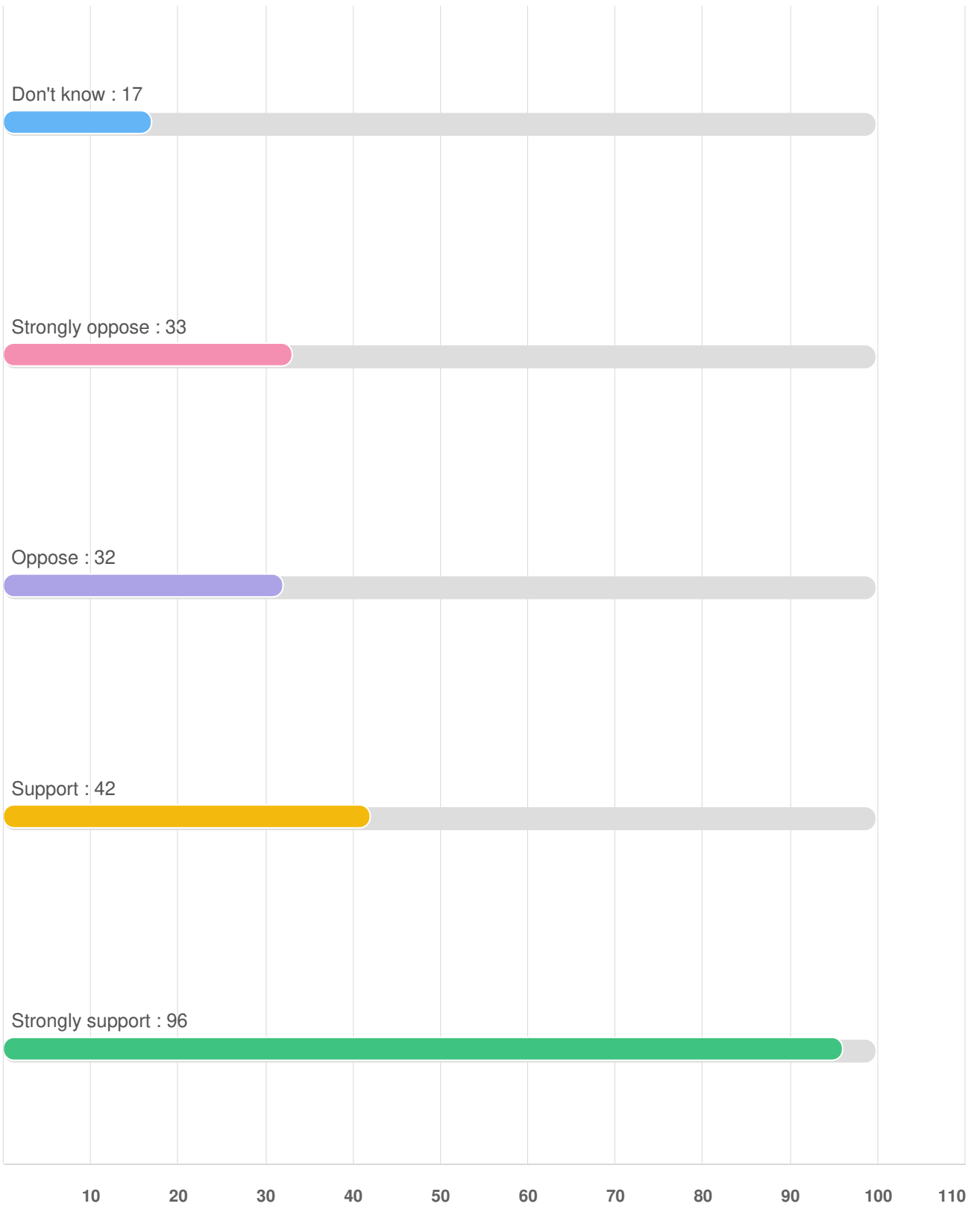
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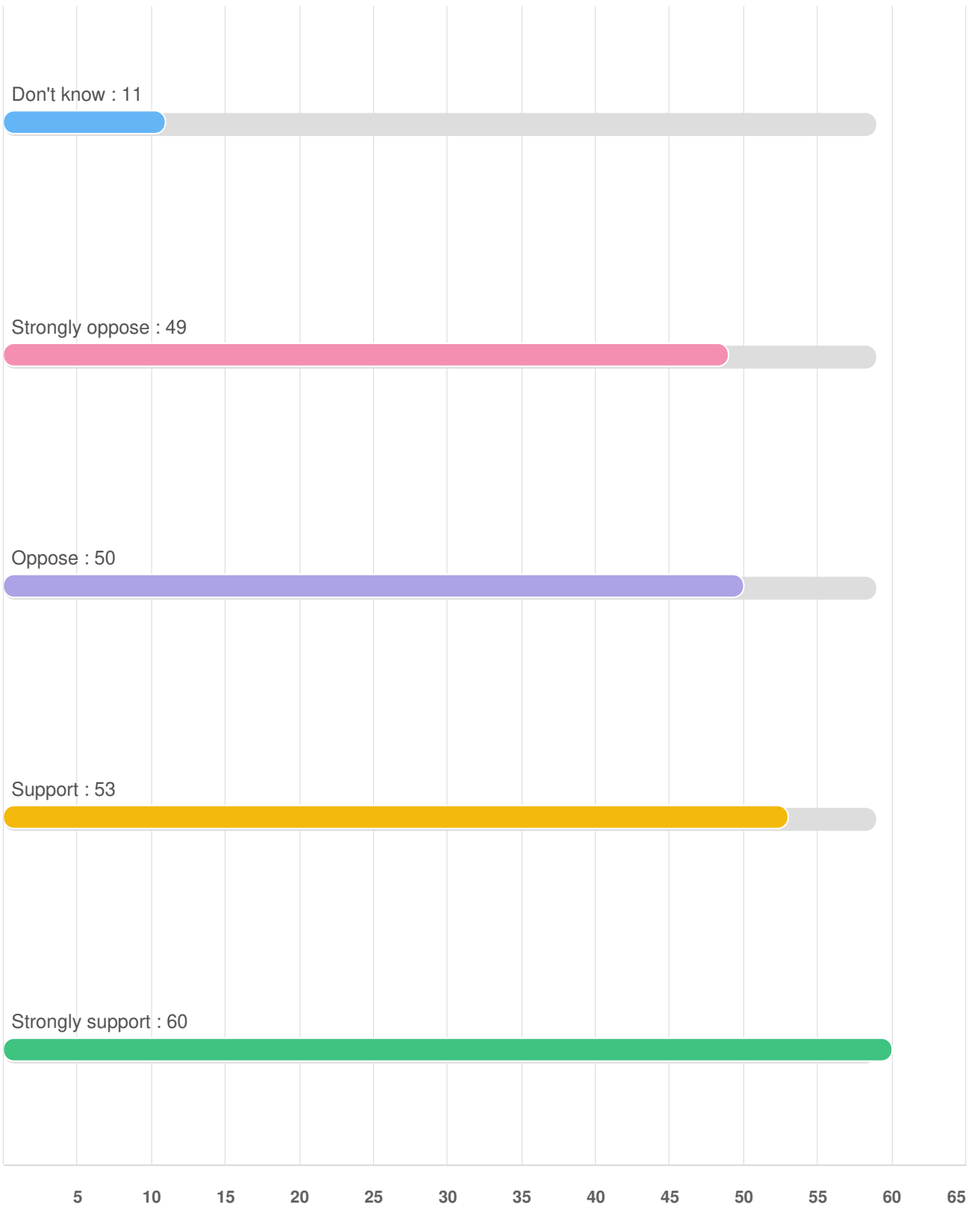
A Health and Safety Inspection from a qualified individual to ensure the building meets minimum safety standards



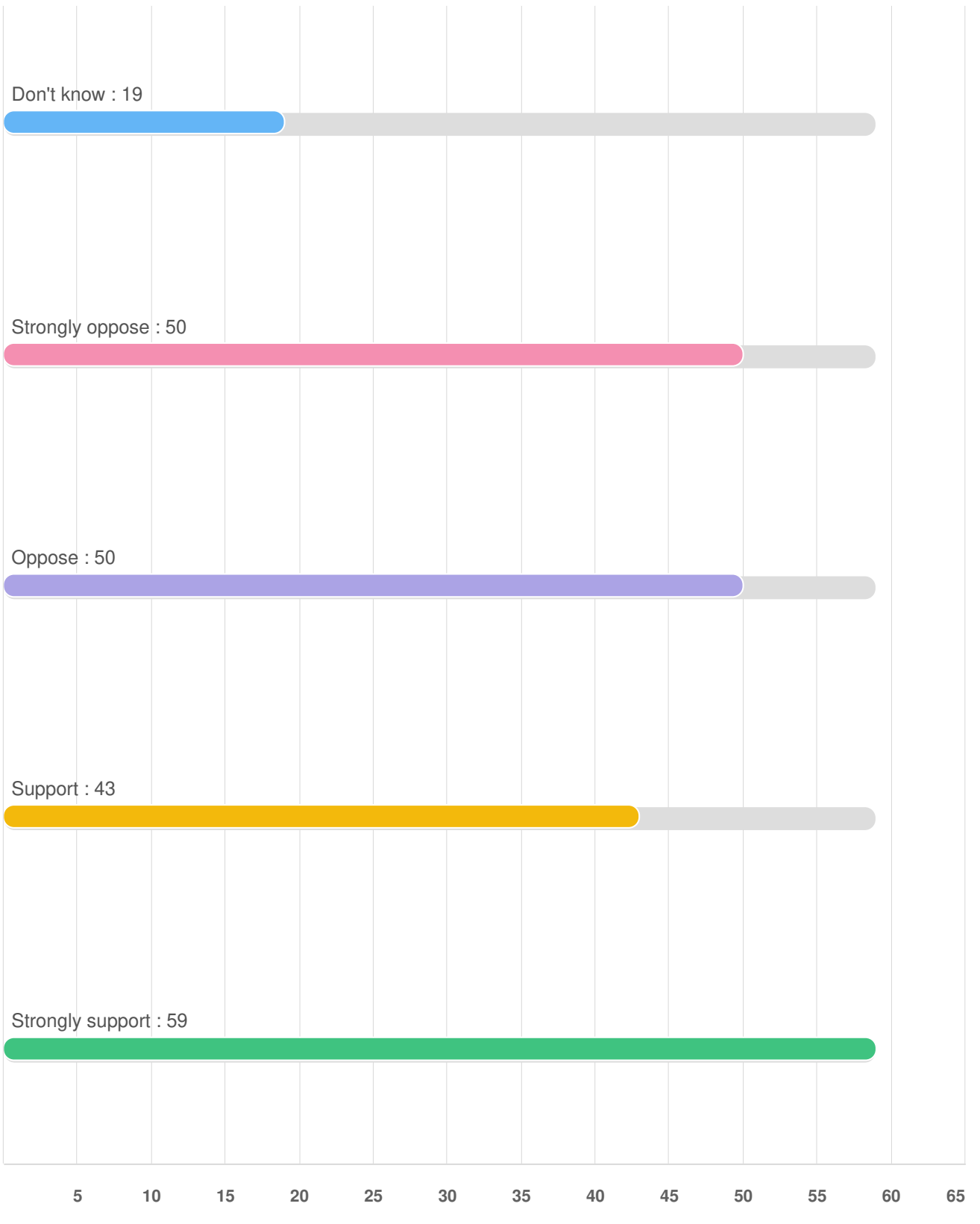
A Septic Inspection (if onsite-septic) showing the septic system is in good working order



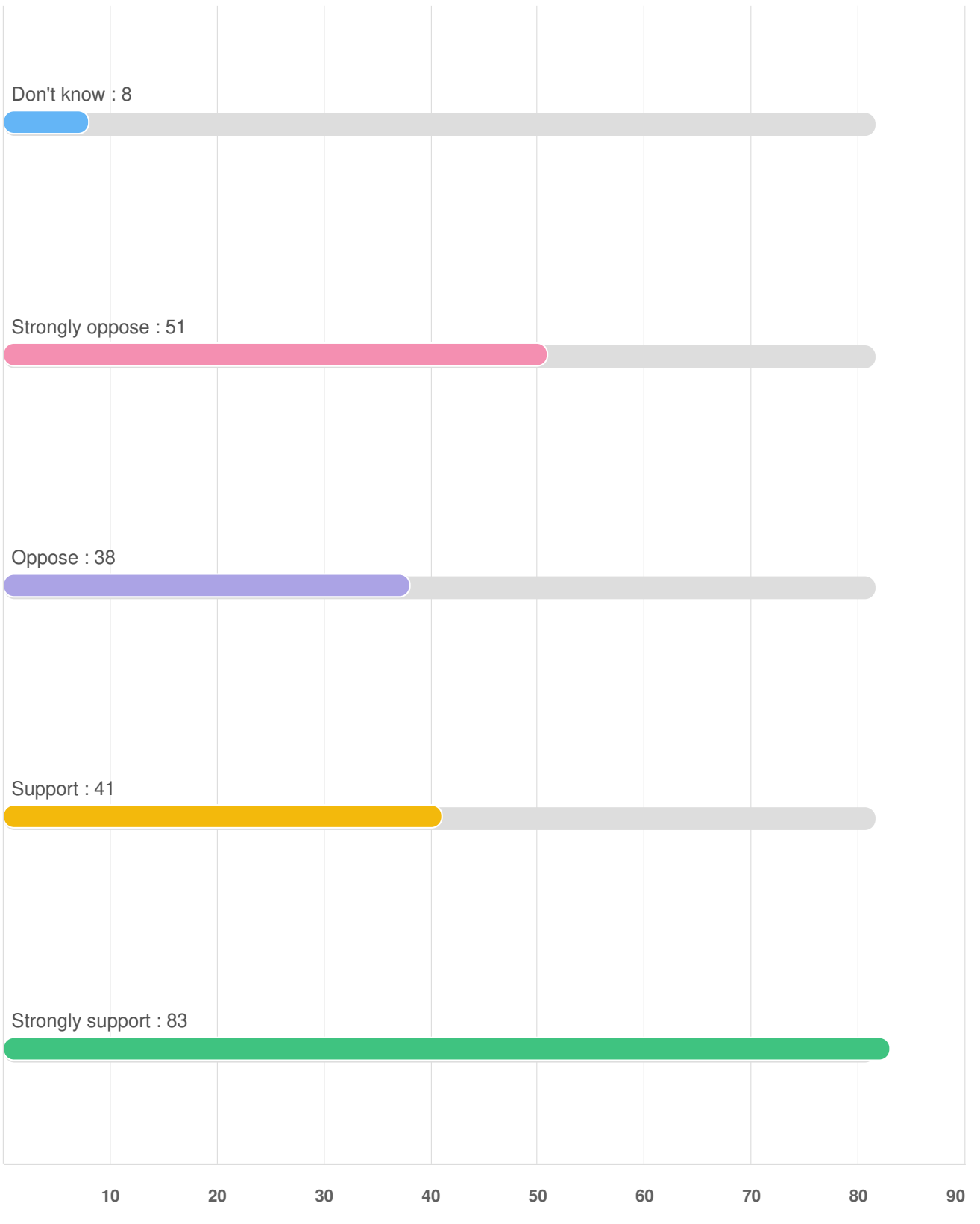
A Public Information Meeting (for new a TUP)



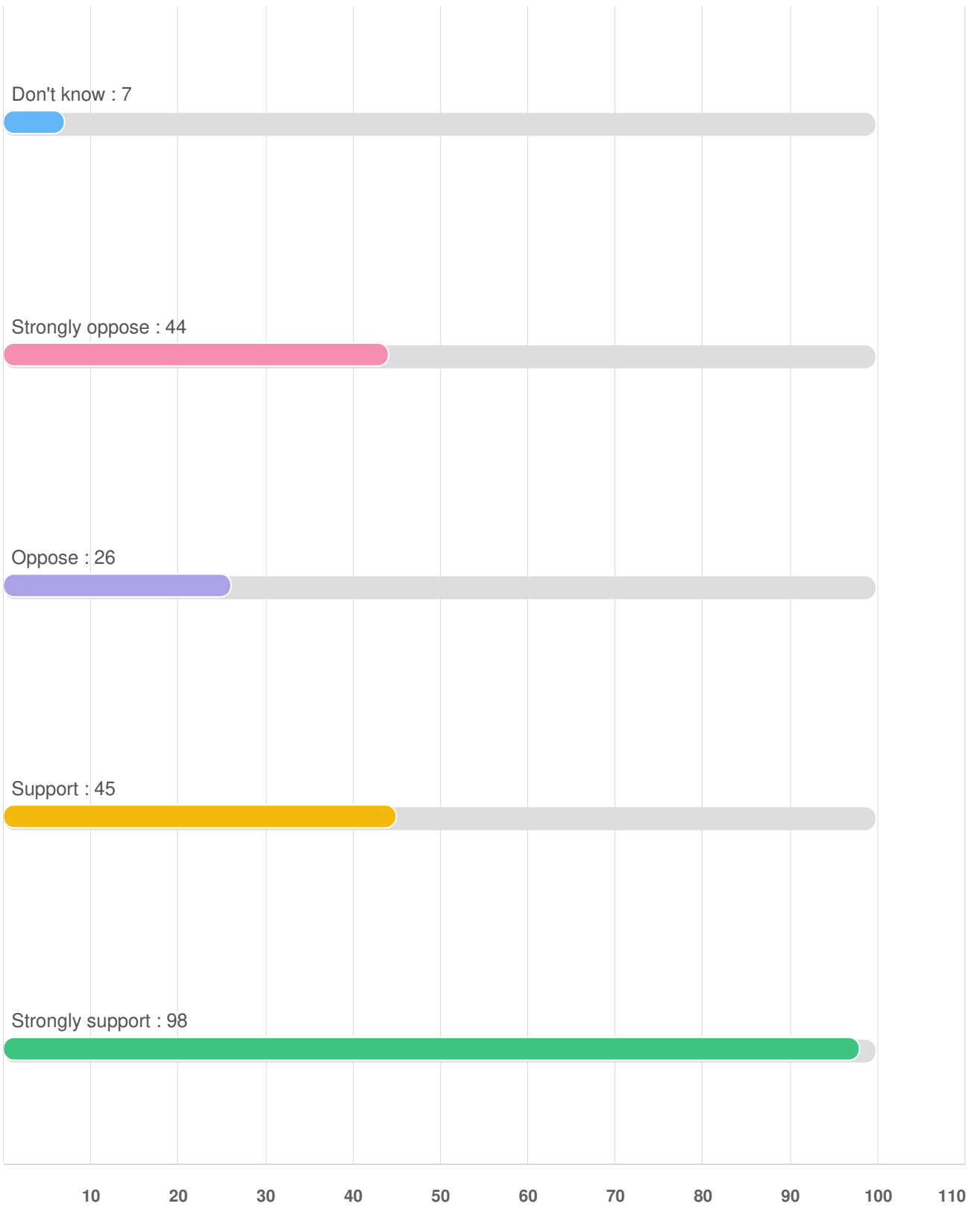
Advisory Planning Commission (APC) meeting (for a new TUP)



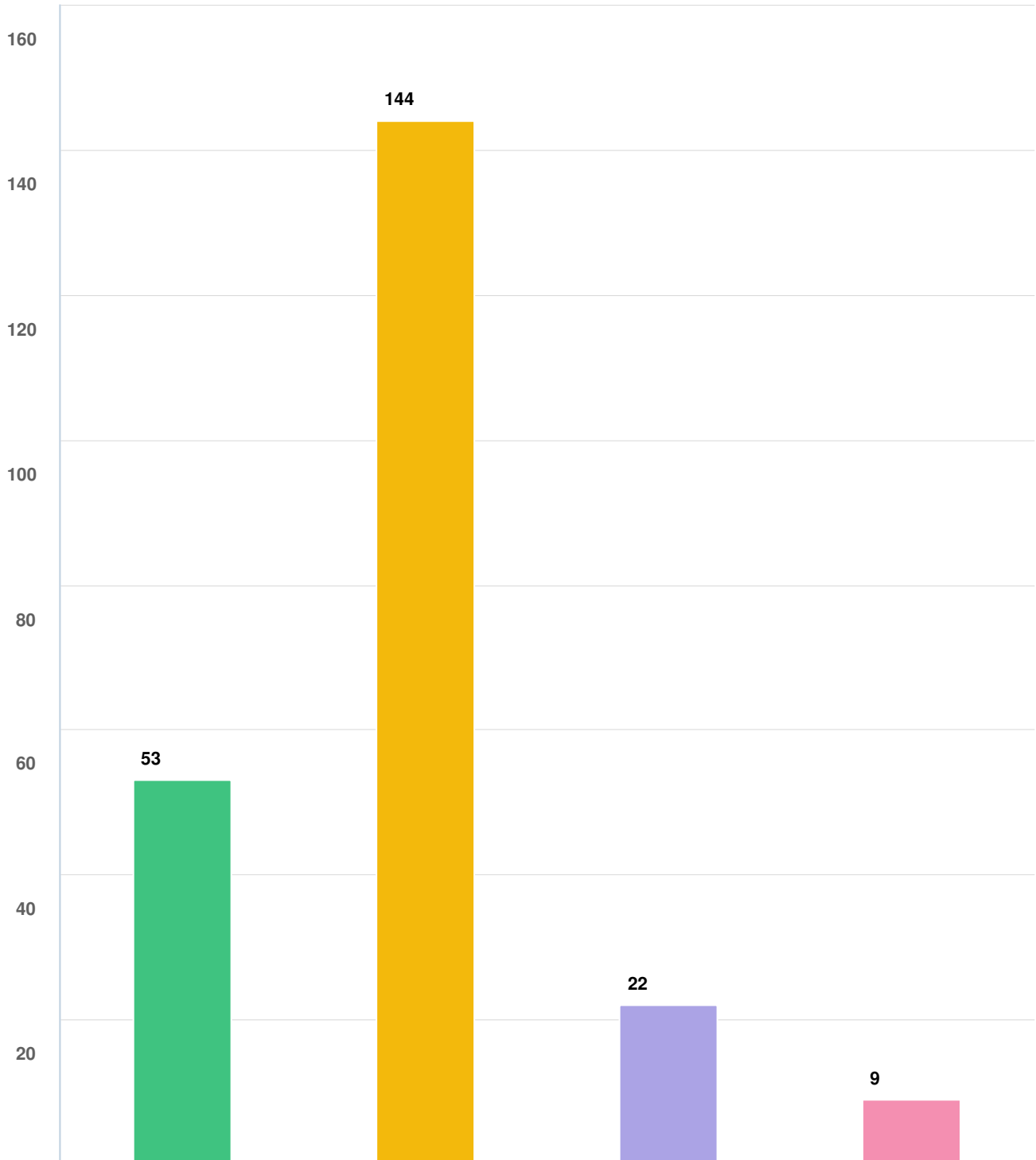
Posting of a development sign on a property during the application process



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'?



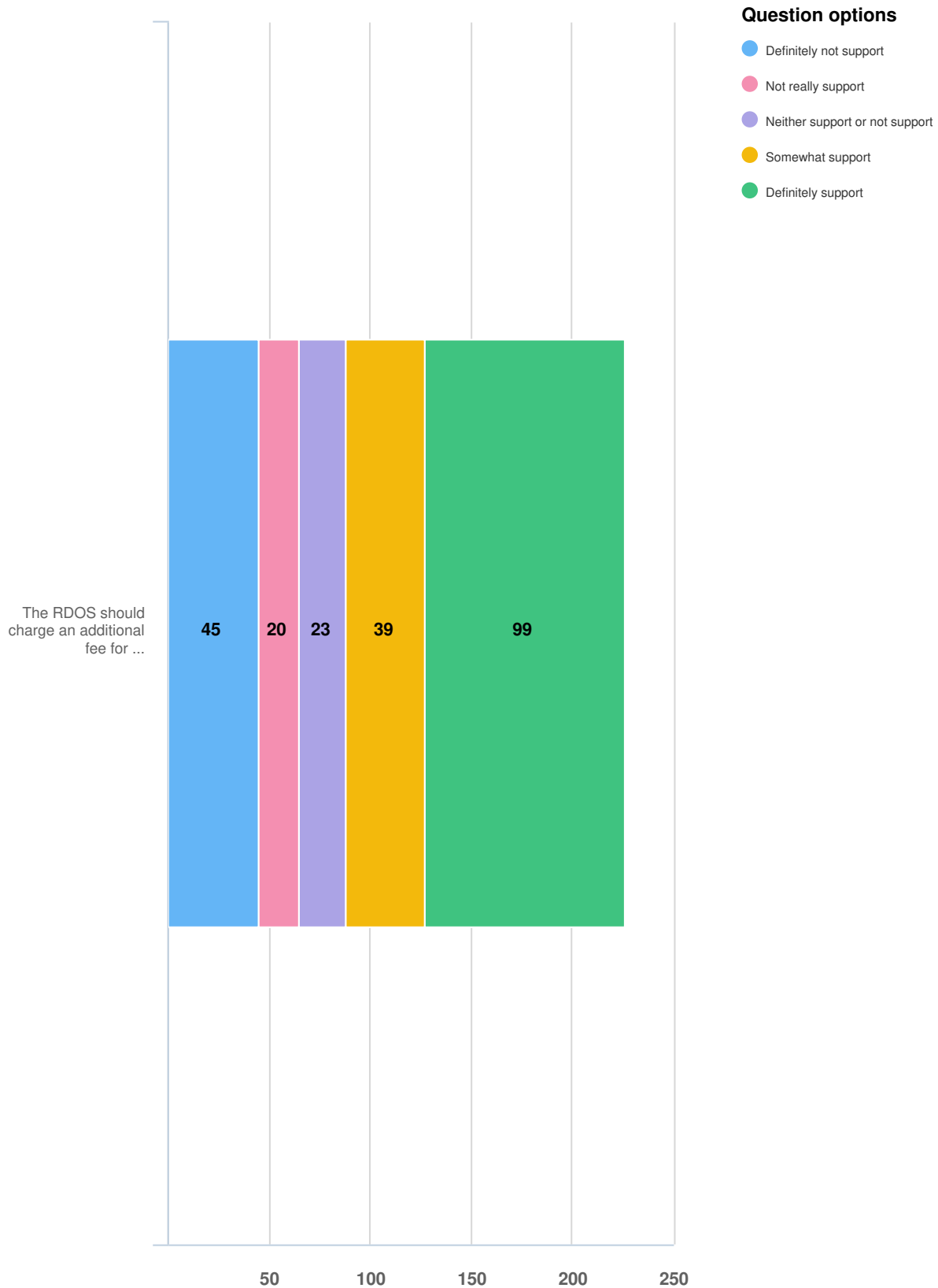
Question options

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

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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?

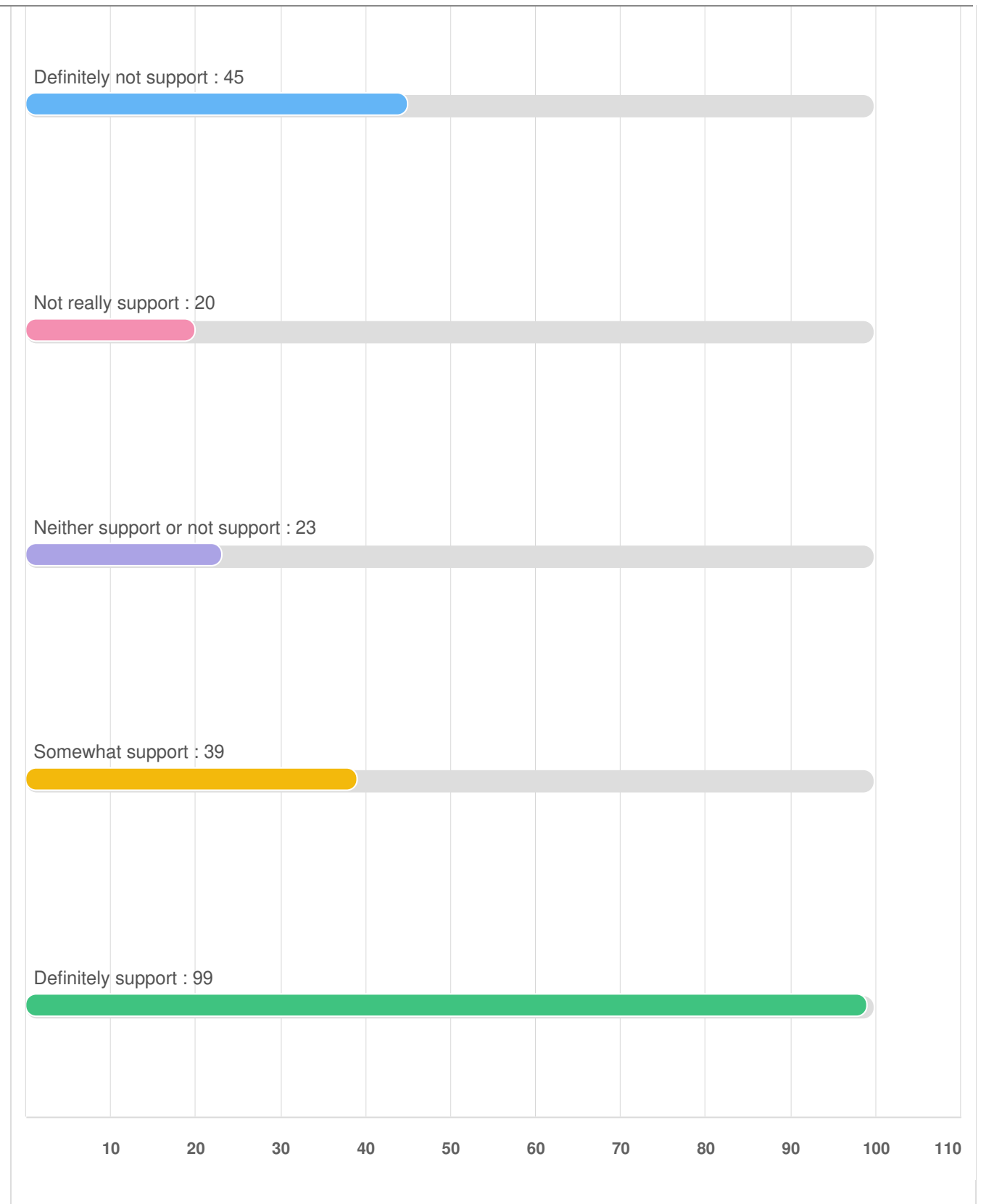


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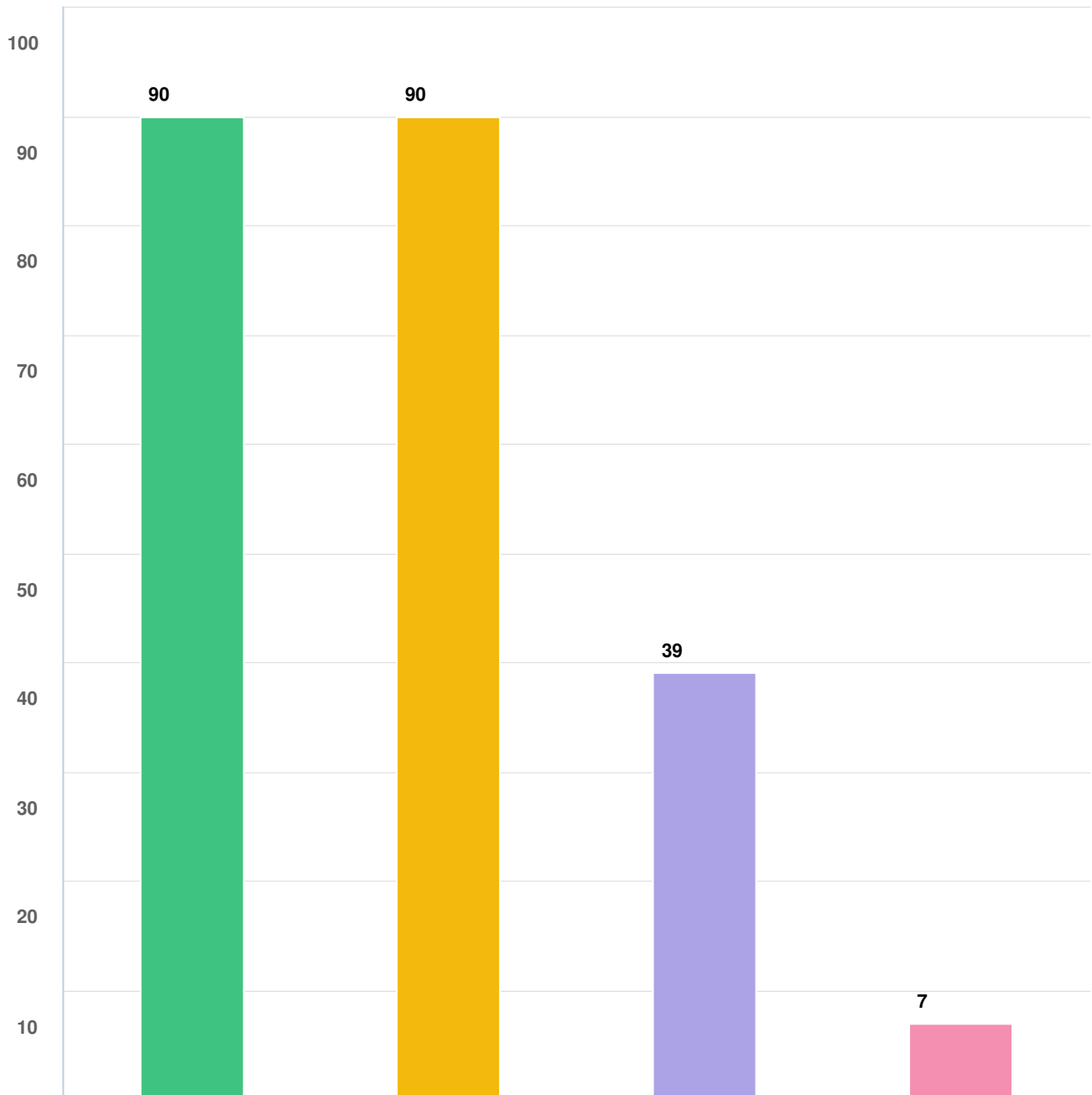
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The RDOS should charge an additional fee for water use for a Vacation Rental TUP



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 (223 response(s), 4 skipped)
 Question type: *Checkbox Question*

Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? D

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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1/11/2023 09:36 AM

Restrain Vacation Rental in residential area, in apartment building, in gated community. Stop destruction of neighbourhood Stop vacation rental in neighbourhood, duplex, condo. Have a designated bylaw officer to RESIDENT...to help and answer RESIDENT and neighbour. NO one cares about home owners complaints. MUST make sure to APPLY your own LAW

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1/11/2023 11:03 AM

As a landowner just south of Skaha Estates I have experienced disruptions from a short-term vacation rental. I am opposed to any/all short-term vacation rentals for numerous reasons, I believe they have a negative impact on affordable housing for local residents, they have a negative impact to existing hotel business, and they are problematic for neighbors of such rentals.

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1/11/2023 11:06 AM

Thank you for providing this survey. I feel that Vacation Rentals allow families a much more affordable vacation than in Hotels as well as bringing in much needed tourist dollars to the Okanagan region which it relies upon.

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Loss of operating license with 3 separate registered tenant complaints from neighbours with the application of a fine for which a percentage is paid to the neighbour(s) that were disturbed. A 6 month ban on licence renewal,

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honestly, stay out of peoples business. If there's a complaint, deal with it then.

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We have used vacation rentals all across Canada. We also spend time in Cathedral City, CA. There were many, many short term vacation rentals in that city and nearby residents struggled with the issues often associated with them. While down there early in 2020, we attended several meetings at City Hall with respect to this issue because while there were affected neighbours and vacation rental owners present, there were no vacation rental users to offer a different perspective. What I saw as a key issue was a lack of

enforcement and the City did not seem to want to make improvements in that regard. In Cathedral City, a short term vacation rental is defined as a rental of less than 30 days. These type of rentals are now being phased out of that city. Snowbirds and others can still rent for 30 days or more but the weekend party'ers can no longer rent a vacation rental for a weekend except in HOA's (similar to stratas) where the bylaws allow for it, or when the owner is present on the property (secondary suite or secondary unit). In the RDOS, I do not think that limiting the timeframe (May-Oct) is effective as it eliminates the option for snowbirds from colder parts of Canada who may want to winter in this area. I would suggest that trying to create only one type of vacation rental will not be effective. I would suggest consideration be given to: 1) vacation rentals with a minimum of 30 days or more be available for year round 2) vacation rentals in a secondary suite or unit, where the owner/caretaker is present on the property (or adjacent to it), be available with no minimum stay. 3) vacation rentals with no minimum stay in stratas where bylaws permit it. 4) a revision made to the current process so that it does not remain so onerous and costly for prospective vacation rental owners 5) a better means of enforcement for both problematic renters and problematic owners

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I'm in favour of autonomy in managing one's own property. If we allow vacation rentals then I think there should be minimal intervention, commuters, etc. Rather, a set of rules should beset and enforced. Property as an investment is the reason we have a shortage of homes. There is no housing shortage otherwise. Unless we use a tax from vacation rentals and other investment properties to fund actual housing then this problem will not be solved regardless of how many houses are built. I almost always VRBO when traveling. I love it, to be honest. But it really is bad for hotel business and for residents that can't afford to live and work in the community. It comes down to "who do we want to be?" An "area" that caters to a dwindling baby boomer population that will soon be gone and we'll have nothing left, or a "community" that supports families, schools, and a real sense of community, volunteering, etc.

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The water usage doesn't make sense, as sometimes you can have a whole family that lives there and uses water every day.

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This area depends on tourism and there is less and less available accommodations for them to visit and spend their hard earned money which supports our community.

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1/12/2023 12:06 PM

Real Estate owners have the right to rent their owned properties. It is not fair to dictate that long term rentals are encouraged and short term rentals are not valued as vacation rentals bring ALOT of tourism \$ to our tourism towns which benefits our economy & citizens in so many ways. Many vacation rental hosts have also moved to the vacation rental model out of living horror stories with long term tenants and horrific experiences too long to mention here. If individuals are finding this area too expensive or difficult to find housing to either rent or own, maybe they should consider moving to areas that are more reasonably priced over tourist town destinations in which vacation rentals should be viewed as assets and given thanks from the RDOS & neighbouring businesses & citizens for their role in stimulating the tourism sector.

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People who own their own property should not have the RDOS putting their nose where it doesn't belong. Neighborhoods could be communicating with people renting. It should be kept amongst the owners and neighbours. The RDOS should back off.

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1/13/2023 04:34 PM

Having a vacation rental is a huge benefit to the community. Bring in tourist, families into our area enjoying what the South Okanagan has to offer. Restaurant, wineries, shops, skiing ect. Iron man the list goes on. With families and that includes there dogs that accompany. You are creating family memories and traditions for people to return year after year. Building relationships with first time clients to becoming family friends returning annually. Having the renters treating the property as if it is there own.

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Short term vacation rentals have seriously reduced the livability and enjoyment of permanent residents in other vacation locations (i.e. Florida). I commend RDOS for taking the issue seriously and seeking resident input to this issue.

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1/16/2023 09:25 AM

I do not want Vacation Rentals allowed in the RDOS. There are plenty of commercial accommodations available and those accommodations should received our support! Commercial accommodation is seldom or never at capacity. Vacation Rentals take away rental accommodation and we clearly need more rental accommodation! Homes in the RDOS are expensive, we buy here for a piece of 'the good life'. Having a VR nearby is totally disruptive, it's stressful even to think about having a VR next door! I do not want to have a VR next door to me! I don't want my friends and neighbours to have to deal with that stress either. Please, take a stand against VRs. Keep our communities as communities.

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I am in favor of needing a permit. However, it should be done in a reasonable time.

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1/18/2023 12:55 PM

I am in full support of more hotels/motels being constructed in our community (okfalls) to offset concerns about tourism levels and lack of places to stay. They would do more to help with more jobs in our area and taxes. Too many vacation rentals I know of do not get a TUP and therefore are not adding anything to our community.

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1/18/2023 01:46 PM

You're gouging! \$2500 for 4 months!?!?

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1/18/2023 06:39 PM

There are many reasons for why people rely on short term rentals ... perhaps it is the only way they can afford to buy their retirement home? Or afford to keep the family cottage? Do you really want to encourage the "rich" to purchase second homes and not share them when they are not using them? The problems that many associate with short term rentals can also be associated with those who live in communities full time...there is no proof (nor do I believe) that short term rentals use more water or power...and often they are only used for half of the year, so less utilities overall. A properly run short term rental should not be any different than a typical household, other than the faces changing. People running short term rentals don't want to rent to people who abuse the neighbours or the home that they are sharing.

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There are so many different properties presently operating without permits that addressing this situation should be paramount. If rules are not enforced and supervised in a consistent and encompassing manner nothing will change for the better. Neighbours impacted feel little control over this situation and look to the RDOS for timely enforcement of bylaws including ensuring that properties must secure permits following proper requirements. A short term rental should have to post not only management/caretaker information but also their up to date permit for such activity. Residents need to know that when problems occur they will have access to speedy and appropriate enforcement of the bylaws.

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1/19/2023 11:22 PM

We want more vacation rentals - we need the tourists. We earn 85% of our business income during tourist season. I can't comprehend why you would add more costs for tourists to visit. Please leave us to live our lives and run our business. This is just too much. Also, we

know many people who can only afford their properties by also listing on VRBO. You'll cause a real estate crash.

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1/20/2023 02:58 AM

Increase tax from residential to a higher rate ! It's unfair to residential home owners.

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1/23/2023 11:53 AM

We have a cabin in Tulameen that has a composting toilet and outdoor shower - is this considered 'unserved'? We think it should be allowed for rentals. This survey is heavily skewed towards primary residences with absent homeowners. Many of the apartments in OK Falls are vacation rentals, not one question about condos? Not seeing how this survey is giving you any data you don't already know

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1/26/2023 09:35 PM

Less regulation and restriction. People should be able to do what they want with their property.

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1/30/2023 07:40 PM

We need to house & employ all of our permanent Okanagan residents before we start making space for more visitors. In general, the South Okanagan needs to move away from catering to tourists and focus on achieving a stable, sustainable level of population & industry all months of the year-- the tourism industry will become a causality of inflation sooner than we want to believe. Easing restrictions on vacation rentals today is short sighted and won't help us grow/transform this valley into a place that thrives year-round in the future.

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1/31/2023 02:05 PM

Parking at bottom N Main St O K Falls is dangerous with heavy traffic coming from Eastside Rd and Hwy 97, People park on Main with truck and boat trailers, motor homes, not enough parking for a triplex at corner Main and 8 St and seasonal rentals Boat launch, 2 condo units, all within 100 ft of each other

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Use the money you're planning on spending for all this to build better schools and transportation clean up the beaches down on okay falls more often. Have movie in the park events and the wine event at Kenyon park. Seems like a waste to me. Also ok falls depends on the vacation traffic otherwise nothing survives there.

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Please allow short term rentals/vacation rentals. The pros outweigh the cons.

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As a frequent international and Okanagan vacation rental client, I have had excellent experience and enjoy the flexibility of vacation rentals. We often save significantly vs. hotels, especially for longer stays. I have never had a negative experience. I have friends with rentals in Penticton and OK Falls and they are very well managed. They provide great access to the region especially in summer when hotel and B&B options are limited and very expensive. I hope this region will remain a great vacation rental area to afford use of all the wonderful resources in the region. We are planning a staff retreat and bike trek this summer and have already booked multiple units in the same area for our staff.

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I travel all over the world (also in the Similkameen area) and have always rented short term rental as oppose to a hotel. It has worked well for my family. it has never been an issue. It has also been a great experience.

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My understanding is we may operate an air B and B as we are the owners of our home and reside in this residence , and do not require a TUP am I correct in this understanding ? Thanks in advance

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We would consider using our primary residence as a short term rental if we were away for a few days on a camping trip. However it isn't worth the hassle with the current regulations for 10 or 15 days a year. Therefore the district loses out on some tourist dollars coming into the area. Full time short term rental properties shouldn't be treated the same as an occasional rental of your own home.

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Thank you for reviewing the current TUP process.

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Thanks for setting up this survey.

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I fully believe there should addition to having a TUP requirement also be a requirement that the RDOS have a policy in place that allows for short notice revocation of the TUP in extreme cases of nuisance reports of a given property or multiple complaints for a given property or multiple complaints against multiple properties owned by a single owner, rather than having to wait to the expiry date of the TUP/s.

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Somehow RDOS needs to try & determine true number of

2/01/2023 11:56 AM

rentals.. I believe that 52 discrete units is a drop in the bucket!!

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Obviously I don't support Vacation Rentals for residential neighbourhoods. There have been problems here over the years that resulted in all out neighbour feuds, let alone all of the other problems that have occurred in terms of parties, noise, parking, garbage etc. Yes, it would be great if these things didn't happen but the reality at present is that the RDOS has shown that it can't deal with the problems whether there is a permit or not. Perhaps it's a lack of resources, perhaps dealing with bullies in these situations keeps officials away, I don't know but I do know that rules will be broken and historically little can be done whether it's through an agency such as Airbnb or individual rentals and the stress that WILL happen too residents is inevitable under the current circumstances. It would be nice if people did what was expected whether it be the renter, the rentee or the rdos staff but until that becomes the norm, I can't support vacation rentals in this neighbourhood.

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The current system of complaining about your neighbour's property pits neighbour against neighbour. It would make things less contentious if complaints could be made anonymously.

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Our community is very concerned about the fire risk of rentals having camp fires. Fires should be restricted to Oct. to March.

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There should be constant monitoring to ensure ALL rules and regulations are enforced to the letter.

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We are not against short-term rentals. However, we find the operators don't care about the neighbors. We don't mind the noise too much and having people walk in the neighborhood. However, having 10 people in a dwelling is asking for trouble. It's too many people for a quiet neighborhood. Living in Skaha Estates, we have echo that travels throughout the neighborhood. Also the short term rentals need to provide adequate screening for their neighbor so that neighbors have PRIVACY. Skaha Estates has little bit of a hillside and most houses look into neighbor's houses. Having different people every few days staring into your yard, into your bedroom windows can be frustrating. I think these rentals must have the obligation to provide adequate screening for their neighbors, prior to be legally renting. Be it a fence, hedges, blurring railing(glass), putting some buffer. Trees and hedges also creates a good noise buffer. Otherwise it's just not fair having stranges stare in to your privacy.

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It goes without saying that any increase in the number of vacation rentals means more staff required to manage. While the property owner benefits its the Tax Payer paying for the management.

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People should be able to do what they want with their property

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A major reason people (ie. my family!) can not live in our area is the astronomical cost of living made even worse with sky high housing costs.

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110 Eastside road needs Checking 134 Eastside road Motorhome on Highway need Checking

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Support affordable long term local housing supports the long term local economy. Make affordable housing a priority. Make it easier to build long term affordable housing.

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the economy needs this, lets remove red tape

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too much government overreach, taxation, and regulations happening!

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Let's make sure that our community zones and builds new zero emission hotels/motels as well as gentle density rentals in all neighbourhoods to support our thriving tourism and to support our workers who work in these industries. Allowing laneway/garden suites seems like a good way to build gentle density in our neighbourhoods. Land use planning is key.

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Limit the vacation rentals to tourist commercial zoning. Not in residential zones. Limit vacation rentals to properties where owner lives on site.

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2/01/2023 06:18 PM

Vacation rentals should not be allowed in residential areas , only on parcels greater than 2 acres in size.

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2/01/2023 08:39 PM

I don't think short term rentals take away in any way from long term rentals because people looking to rent short term are usually doing so because either they or family use the property the other periods of time so it wouldn't be available for a long term renter in any event

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2/02/2023 10:37 AM

SHORT TERM RENTALS SHOULD ONLY BE ALLOWED IN SPECIFIC AREAS WHEN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD IS ALL IN AGREEMENT, SUCH AS SKI HILLS AND RECREATION AREAS, NOT COMMUNITIES. ON HODY DRIVE THERE ARE MORE THAN 50% PROPERTY OWNERS THAT DO NOT AGREE WITH SHORT TERM VACATION RENTALS DUE TO MANY REASONS. HODY DRIVE IS A VERY NARROW STREET WITH NO PARKING AVAILABLE FOR EXTRA VEHICLES AND BOATS FROM RENTERS . THERE HAVE BEEN NOISE COMPLAINTS IN THE PAST WITH NO ONE PRESENT TO ADDRESS THESE COMPLAINTS. THEFT HAS INCREASED WITH MULTIPLE STRANGERS ON OUR STREET AND THE COMMUNITY FEEL IS FAILING BECAUSE YOU NO LONGER KNOW WHO YOUR NEIGHBORS ARE . THE FOLLOWUPS WITH RDOS REGARDING TUP DON'T SEEM TO BE FOLLOWED THROUGH THEREFORE PEOPLE ARE BREAKING THE RULES BECAUSE OF NO CONSEQUENCES. I AM REFERRING TO THE NEIGHBOR ON 476 HODY DRIVE WHO WAS SHUT DOWN BY RDOS INSPECTOR BECAUSE HE HAD MORE SUITES THAN ALLOWED AND HE IS CONTINUING TO ADVERTISE ILLEGAL SUITES ONLINE WITH SHORT TERM RENTALS.

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2/02/2023 06:43 AM

Ok falls economy has benefited from all the folks vacationing here so asking too many restrictions to a fragile community is a BIG risk. Businesses are not supported enough by local residents and we have seen too many businesses close. Once our Community is stable and thriving I would invite another review. Don't break what isn't broken.

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2/02/2023 07:49 AM

I think certain area in the Okanagan are different. Also if you have your vacation rental on Airbnb it is much safer. Both have to rate each other. Certain areas attract families others partiers. For example ok falls is a great family area compared to Osoyoos or penticton. Also mortgage rates and interest rise for people to rent or vacation rental part of their home because it's the only way to be economically sustainable. Also as previously mentioned this is an area of tourism and economically needed for the area. So vacation rentals at times are preferable as many of our motels are horrible and more expensive.

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I think there is a distinct difference between a short term rental (i.e. someone coming for a 2 week summer vacation) and someone renting a place for a month or two who wants to work remotely. Remote workers generally want to combine work and take in local attractions. These renters, I would say are not "partiers" and would add to the local economy and not take away business from local hotels. I am not sure how you would make the distinction, and monitor this but many of my answers to this survey would be different, if the question was posed for each type of renter.

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2/03/2023 10:02 AM

I feel that we are taxed to death as it is and as long a people are managing the visitors in reasonable manner I feel they should be able to do so. Everything in moderation!! I do not live in a high populated area but you need to be mindful of neighbors in situation.

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While I'm not a fan of additional signs being put up in neighbourhoods, if they aren't too large or unwieldy I'm ok with it.

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2/04/2023 08:56 AM

I live on water front property on Skaha lake. Strongly against any form of vacation rental. I moved here to live in a community, not a tourist location.

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2/04/2023 07:11 PM

My wife and I love the Okanagan and for that reason we bought our future retirement home in ok falls. I strongly believe if short term rentals aren't allowed small businesses will struggle as most owners of multiple properties will not rent long term. Thank you for putting this survey out and yes we will be applying for a short term permit.

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I think vacation rentals are very important if you want to bring tourism to the Okanagan Families want to be together not in separate hotel rooms Air bnb are a better way to experience your vacation Most have responsible property owners that are great hosts a few bad ones can be fined if they don't follow the rules In Naramata, there are very few places to stay that are affordable for people so if you want people to come to the village then you need places for them to stay pretty simple

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2/05/2023 02:42 PM

Thank you for this opportunity! 505 Sunny Bay rd. Operated for 2 summers without a TUP. Owners were often away: noise, cars, parties, pets, issues were horrible!!

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2/05/2023 04:52 PM

Do whatever in order to allow our capitalist system to continue to work; without communism setting in, and without interfering with my enjoyment of my life and property!

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2/06/2023 09:28 AM

There are definitely neighbourhood concerns when a vacation rental is set up along the street. Definitely garbage concerns, noise issues, # of guests, concerns with pets/unleashed dogs/people who don't pick up after their dog/vicious dogs. The guests at the vacation rental don't have a stake in the neighborhood, obviously don't seem to care. All of the above issues, and more tend to set up an adversarial relationship between neighbors, and with the owner of the vacation rental. Neighbours who are disturbed or who disagree with the goings-on, are often afraid to approach the guests, or even later on, the owner.

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Bottom line is vacation rentals should not impact the neighborhood or community and if there is going to be one, then the owner needs to be involved and 100% responsible.

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I strongly oppose any tup for vacation rentals in our area for numerous reasons - number one being these are tourists and not homeowners who do not care if they are making too much noise or creating too much mayhem. If a person cannot afford their mortgage payment a vacation rental is not the answer. Long term rentals are desperately needed - rent your house out. We all know people are purchasing the homes in this area for income purposes only - that should not be allowed. I have lived here 26 years and this is a family/senior oriented neighborhood which I want to keep this way. If you absolutely feel you have to change the bylaw, the ONLY tup I would agree with is if the homeowner lives full time on the property.

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vacation properties are a challenge that affects economic development in rural communities that have a housing shortage we need to limit high income short term perspective (greed) and provide long term housing. I say this having been a land lord myself - in residential zoning, focus on residential and community housing not tourism.

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Prefer smaller vacations rentals to discourage large groups with possibility of increased issues with large groups

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Short term rentals in small community can be an enhancement for the

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community that has a shortage of hotels motels I also do not think they use anymore utilities than any other occupant

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None

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These proposed changes /ideas are government totally out of control. Vacationers spend a lot more money in the community they are in than locals. In ok falls many local stores depend on the summer holiday from tourists to survive.

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We have a vacation rental in Okanagan Falls which is well managed and maintained without a prohibitive TUP.Thank you for the opportunity to voice my opinion.

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I believe that we work hard all our lives pay enormous amount of taxes already. This to me seems like another tax grab. This all has nothing to do with the use of more water,noise or septic use!!! If that's the case the fulltime renters would use a lot more than the short time renters.

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In an ideal world, we would have no vacation rentals. These are often just a strategy for investors to make money, and pay off a mortgage. We have seen this in our neighborhood, and other neighbourhoods as well. We would support a vacation rental in the area, for events, such as Iron Man, & the long distance bike rides, the ultra a swim events... in Penticton and area. These people are focussed and dedicated, to a goal. These people actually contribute a positive attitude, and good role modeling. Often times people think that a vacation rental is less expensive than a hotel. This is definitely not the case. The vacation rentals are only less expensive, because often times, each person in a large group pitches in a small amount of money to pay for each night. We find that the guests at many vacation rentals don't have respect for our town, the neighborhood, the residents in the neighborhood, and even the home that they are residing in. This often blatant lack of respect, creates, resentment, and hard feelings in a neighborhood. There is a loss of sense in community.

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This is such a horrible waste of RDOS resources. It will kill 100% of short term rentals because no one would pay to comply with these rules. Losing short term rentals will devastate the local economy. This is extreme over reach and will make the Okanagan much worse off if

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something like this is enforced. It's actually unbelievable that RDOS would consider something so anti tourism and anti business. The area is just starting to grow while other parts of the Okanagan have flourished and policies like this are exactly why.

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2/08/2023 09:29 AM

There should be no vacation rentals without a 100% of the residents approval. And if the RDOS approves such rental without residents approval, they should be held responsible and sued by such residents that are in the proximity of such rental!

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2/08/2023 09:45 AM

We should be allowed to rent out our houses.

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I have seen vacation rentals near the lake that worked very effectively and enhance the economy with no detrimental effects - they promote tourism. I do not want to see the RDOS make a regulatory nightmare out of this and effectively kill this by high costs and red tape. I have seen no problems and some people are just NIMBY's and think they own the entire community. Focus on dealing with complaints and structure things to avoid the potential for large parties by limiting the occupancy and posting contact information.

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Short-term rentals are the staple that keeps small communities on the map. Small towns with few amenities other than tourism, would turn into ghost towns, as even the older retired folk need some life breathed into their towns. Businesses would suffer, without the vacationers spending their discretionary money there. There are simply not enough hotels to accommodate the larger families/groups that are accustomed to staying in STRs now, and restrictions will just destroy the economy of the affected communities.

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We are totally opposed to vacation rentals in a residential area . The RDOS does not have the means to police their bylaws that are in place NOW. How is anyone to believe they will protect our neighborhoods or monitor behavioral of the renters if vacation rentals are allowed.

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If you permit these, keep them to a minimum, limit them to parents and their kids under 21, and make sure all RDOS services they draw on are fully paid by additional license fees, so that the rest if the community does not have to subsidize them. We pay enough in taxes already and I don't want my taxes to go up so someone can make a few bucks renting out their home at my expense. I.e., make it pay for

itself. Thank you.

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Unfortunately, one rotten apple spoils the bunch. I get that people misuse properties and rent out, on a short term basis, to those that party and cause issues. I accept that and agree that's a problem. I agree there is a housing shortage. I agree that housing is unattainable for many. However, this is, in my view, the wrong way to solve the problem. You can't legislate the problem away, you need to find ways to support commerce and entrepreneurship (after all, that's where your tax dollars come from), while creating methods for problems to be resolved in a productive manner. So let's fix the housing shortage by issuing building permits (quicker). That will help to drive supply up and prices down. So let's fix the noise and partying issues by having good methods for problem resolution (having contact info on the front door for a property manager is reasonable, a big sign out front is crazy). I've lived in all sorts of places where you have neighbours that party, cause issues, and they aren't even short term rentals! The problem is they do it every weekend all year long. Short term rentals, if someone bad creates problems on a weekend, they're gone Monday morning and as long as it is reported, the host learns from it and is more careful about renting in the future. I actually find it far more annoying to have neighbours that are loud...all year long...than a bad set of guests on a particular weekend. Extra water consumption? No way. Someone that's around full time is for SURE going to consume more water than a vacation rental that isn't booked out 100% of the year (no short term rental ever would be). C'mon council. Let's really think through this. Many of the places this survey went out to live and die by tourism. They don't exist without it. Think Belich's, the new(and only) grocery store in OK Falls will survive if TUP becomes a thing and short term rentals start to close their doors? It'll be much harder, for sure. We need more housing, yes, but this isn't the way to create it. We need a new water system, yes, but this isn't a way to fund it. Hopefully this voice is heard and considered. We travel all over hte world, and all over the province, and if short term rentals start to disappear, we'll just have to leave our own properties empty and travel to them more often and rent STR less often. Doesn't solve the housing problem. Perhaps makes it worse. The solution to housing is simply more permits. It can't take a year to get a permit. It should take 1 month. outsource it to private companies and see just how efficient competition can make things :)

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Let the market dictate the demand on the rental market.

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The whole idea is more like another cash cow for RDOS as there is no shortage of available housing for local residents and the fact that

vacation rental promotes tourism and boosts local economy.

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2/09/2023 04:25 PM

The effect of short-term rentals has had a dramatic effect on communities needing long-term rentals for residents. Use of suites and second properties for short-term rentals has reduced the available long-term rental properties available, and the opportunities for many people to work and live in the same community. Enforcement on short-term rentals operating without TUPs is essential to bring about compliance. No property should be rented out without the owner present on-site in fairness to the neighbours who live in a "residential" area. Encouragement of suites and strategies such as co-op and mixed-income housing projects should be promoted to provide accommodation citizens who may not be able to afford the cost of market housing and regulating the short-term rentals through enforcement should help make more long-term rental housing available. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to this survey. Thank you.

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I've had a condo unit in Ok Falls for 20 years. Over that time I've seen the ups and downs for this community. If you chose to strong arm residential owners by enforcing this crazy process you may find out real quick that you will lose your grocery store that was gone for 3 years before and just came back. You may lose 1 or both of the pizza shops - both the grocery store and one of the pizza shops have told me personally that vacation rentals are 50% of their business. What about the negative economic effect on the wineries. It is a known fact that many travelers come here to buy wine and eat at the bistros. By enforcing this permitting process many owners have indicated to me that they would either sell or just leave it empty and use it whenever or let family and friends use it. Even the previous IGA owner said that 50% of his business was from short term rentals and where did IGA go. What about the cleaning ladies who clean the units - they would be out of work and would not be able to support themselves. What do they do then? How many gas stations do you think OK Falls can support. Probably one at best. There is only one hotel in OK Falls and no one will stay there because it is 100 years old. There is one motel and I'm not sure it would classify as a vacation hub. How about the bar & grill at the old hotel how long has it been closed. So what other industry are you trying to destroy by limiting tourism because that's what this money grab and enforcement would do, it will destroy parts of OK Falls. It's simply a bad idea and especially for OK Falls. Furthermore when you stifle short term rentals with this complicated and arbitrary permitting process that reduces tourism so then what problem does that create and then what do you do to fix that - and why would anyone want to rent in OK Falls long term, generally speaking, with no industry and with no place to work. With your

permitting process anyone who rents short term is at your mercy because you are the decision makers, that in and of itself is suspect and promotes a very precarious situation for an owner who has dedicated time and effort to make a home rentable on a short term basis. If a unit is not clean or not fit to be rented the market will tell them that so let the market do what the market does. I think a classic example of this is the old hotel – not habitable then no customers. The market is pretty smart. No matter what you do the market will tell you otherwise. I read an article about Penticton wanting to limit short term rentals because businesses can't get workers because there is no accommodation for the workers - so Penticton's possible solution is to kill its own tourism industry to accommodate workers who will no longer be needed because they wrecked the number one industry. Unbelievably short sighted and bone-headed thought process. When I spoke to the grocery store and the pizza place you could hear it in their voices the heightened sense of nervousness of the possible loss of customers. If you think that all owners would just follow along with your expensive program then let you decide if they can rent I think you need to rethink this strategy. At the end of the day OK Falls has struggled for many years even with tourism as it is but now you want to grab money from the very people who help the economy and perhaps force them to sell or even more detrimental - leave the place empty. We tell everyone what a great grocery store we have, what a great pizza place we have - so please shop local, support our friends and neighbours BUT I guess if you don't want that then OK Falls will continue its steady decline as it has. Having said all that I would welcome a simple once per year permit payment of say \$500 - we fill in the permit pay you \$500 and away we go - no silly health check, no sign - we pay you permit. But if you're asking for ~\$4000 per year or whatever it is then you still get to decide with an 8 week process, a health check, a sign then you are forcing out of this town an industry that has kept it alive for decades. Ask your business community how they would feel about YOU THE RDOS making them lose business and perhaps have to shut down. If you chose to go a simpler route to permit - as I said before then so be it I would gladly be the first one to walk in and pay my dues - without any further headache or paperwork. By thinking that you are curing a problem by damaging the only industry you have in this jewel of a town you will find out very quickly that the electorate will be very upset when they have to go to Penticton or Oliver for groceries again. OR that the car wash is gone. Or that the cleaning ladies can no longer afford to rent or eat because you thought you were fixing one problem only to find out you have created two more problems. Or what plumbers, electricians or other businesses in town that can no longer live there because there is nothing to be there for. We tell everyone to spend as much as you can locally and we ourselves makes sure we spend locally when we can find a supplier or a plumber or an electrician. You may think your permitting process may work for the Okanagan but one size does not

fit all. Okanagan Falls is one town that you will damage, maybe not so much for Penticton - but no one can honestly believe that limiting tourists is a good idea. Remember this one thing since when did Okanagan Falls become a magnet for long term renters - it never was and never will be so there is no problem to fix. You want to do a money grab then do it with a simple process - I pay you \$500/year you give me my permit - nothing more to do.

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The TUP program seems to make no sense. It's WAY too expensive an onerous for limited revenue. I am sure if it was enforced, there would be more vacancy year round as most people would choose to leave their vacation properties empty vs jumping through the hoops an incurring the cost to participate in the program. In my opinion, enforcing this program would not increase the availability of long term rentals. We and most people we know would just choose to leave our unit empty for the majority of the yr vs deal with long term tenants. So this enforcing this program would create more long term vacant properties, reduce the availability of rentals for people who are travelling (including travelling professionals such as nurses who work in the area for multiple weeks or 1 month at a time). Enforcing this program would also be detrimental to the economy of the region both in the peak season but also during the off season. There are travelers who rent here off season and if this program was enforced, they'd have nowhere to stay at that time of year which would jeopardize business such as our new OK Falls grocery store. This program should not be in place, should not be enforced and we should be encouraging tourism and travel to the area as it benefits everyone.

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I currently rent out long term and I find that the RDOS is trying to fix a perceived problem when there isn't one especially in Okanagan Falls. I've been renting out for nearly 21 years and OK Falls has pretty much remained in the same state as it always has. I believe that the increased short term vacation rental guests have greatly helped the economy in OK Falls. Whatever solution you are trying to accomplish by charging a permit fee and limit these rentals is absurd. So undoubtedly you will curb the economy to try and solve a a long term rental shortage which is ridiculous. Ask your businesses in OK Falls and see what their reaction is. Years ago when IGA was here the owner was thrilled every summer when guests would arrive. Now you propose to throw a wrench into the economy to try to solve one problem - if it really is a problem, then create another one. I have absolutely no issue with short term rentals and nor should you. The market will decide. Just because Penticton has a bunch of fools who run that city doesn't mean you have to do the same. What works, or not, in Osoyoos, Oliver and Penticton will certainly not work in OK Falls. No one wakes up in the morning and says "hey I'm going to

move to OK Falls and work at the gas station". It's preposterous. Penticton is putting the squeeze on vacation rentals which will kill its economy and then they will wonder why businesses are closing down. You guys need to get out of your own way. Nothing that you do will present a favourable outcome. Furthermore the fee you want to charge is absolutely ridiculous. If I recall correctly Penticton charges \$125 while you guys charge \$3000+ from what I can figure out. Then you ask for all these health checks, a sign, a sewer fee etc. etc. Let the equilibrium of OK Falls manage itself. Any tipping one way or the other will create issues to the economy and in OK Falls there isn't much for an economy except tourism. You want to fix the problem then get more hotels here. Penalizing owners who have found a niche is not any way to fix another problem. If you guys were really above board on this whole idea you would ensure that all the businesses and residents of OK Falls would be advised of this survey. I have spoken to a few and they know nothing about it. Furthermore after being here for 21 years this is the first I have heard of a permit requirement (since 2014). Ask your businesses and see what they say. Do this the honest way rather than sliding it under the table. My long term renters have met many lifelong friends who visit here every year. They look forward to seeing them each year. You talk about community then let community happen as it should. People meeting people and spending time together. This whole process is an absolute money grab. That is what BC has become known for. Ask yourselves why are people moving out of BC. You want to charge a fee then great, but make it reasonable and simple. When the RDOS says they get to make the decision that is the scariest part for anyone who has already rented on a short term basis - you become judge, jury and executioner. The funny part is we pay your salaries to chop us off at the knees.

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Owners of the houses used as vacation rentals in this neighborhood mostly live in Vancouver. Rent they receive does not support this area. There are approximately 8 or more properties rented out within this 40 house neighborhood in summer. Dogs, alcohol, drugs and parties is what we can look forward to in summertime. This will only get worse if you set a precedent (as you already have) for this neighborhood. It is a joke here...now they can all apply. Also, how can a small water district keep up with the increased demand?

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We did have a request for TUP in my area and fortunately after listening to the residents of Heritage Hills it was declined to our great satisfaction.

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It's fine to put in rules and procedures. But they need to be enforced

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.end of the day giving out permits does not address water supply concerns . The operator can be charged extra fee for water for rental but that does nothing to address the supply. There is only so much water . I am reffing to Vasuex Lake residential area

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In a nearby home I have witnessed 24/7 noise and disrespect from renters who pay \$10k/week, and want value for their money and don't care about the neighborhood.

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We are a 38 home community on a shared well along Vaseux lake. The well supply is limited, as should be the number of rentals allowed in this community.

Optional question (92 response(s), 135 skipped)

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