Exit Poll

May 16th

2017

Pittsford Schools

Demographic Data- Completed Survey Counts

6,905 residents voted

1,612 residents started, or completed, the exit poll (23% response rate)

Question #1
1612 Responses

Pittsford Schools

Demographic Data

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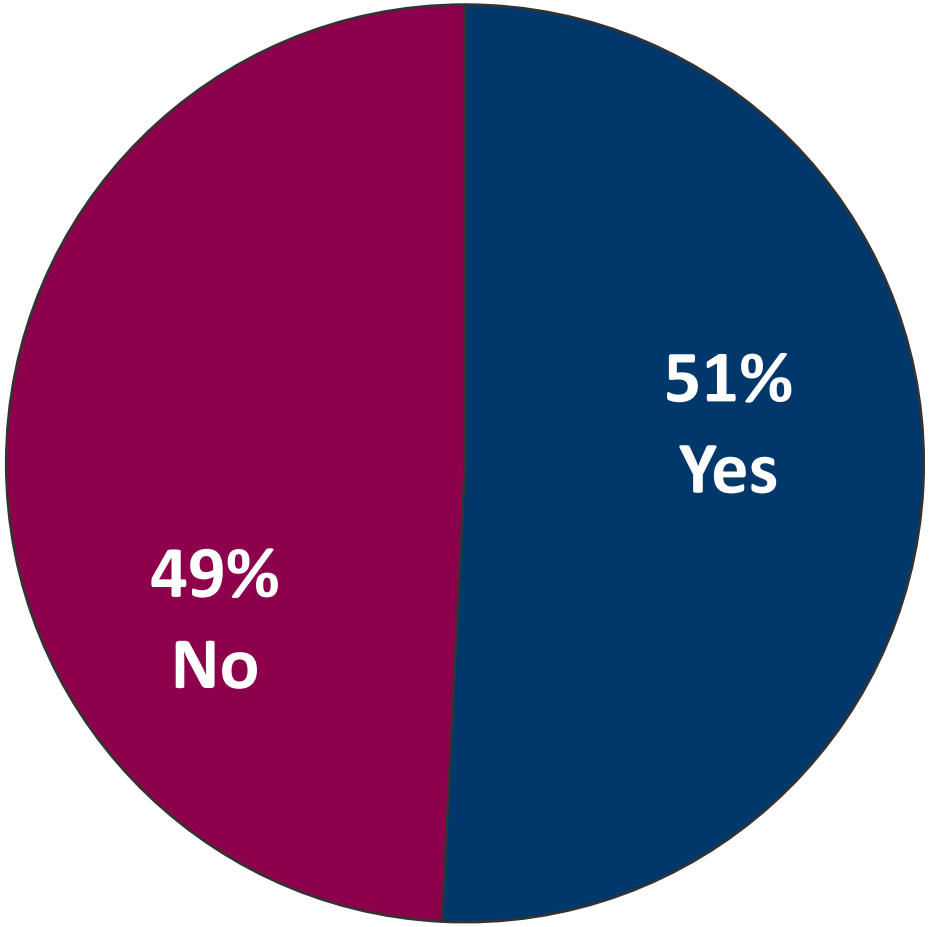

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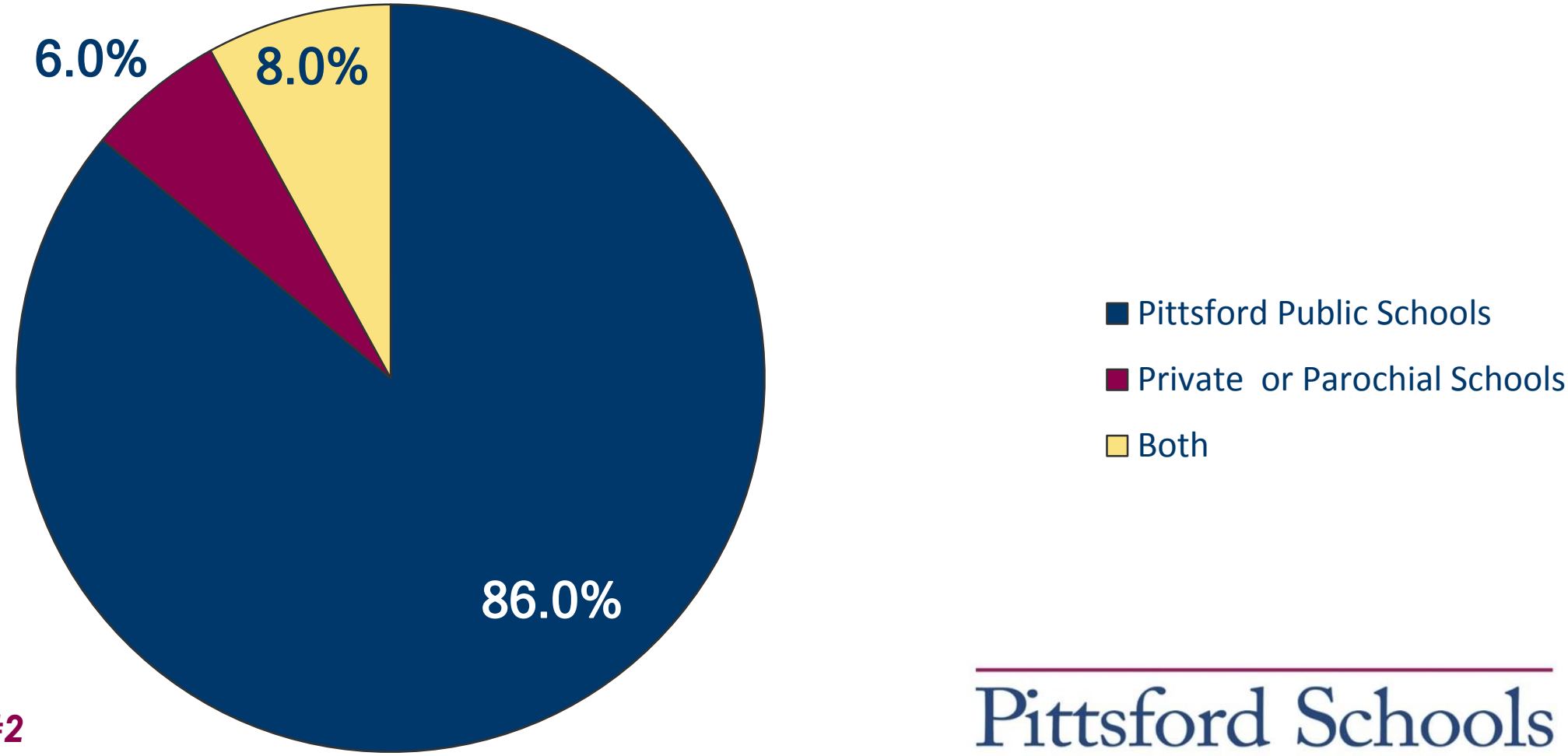

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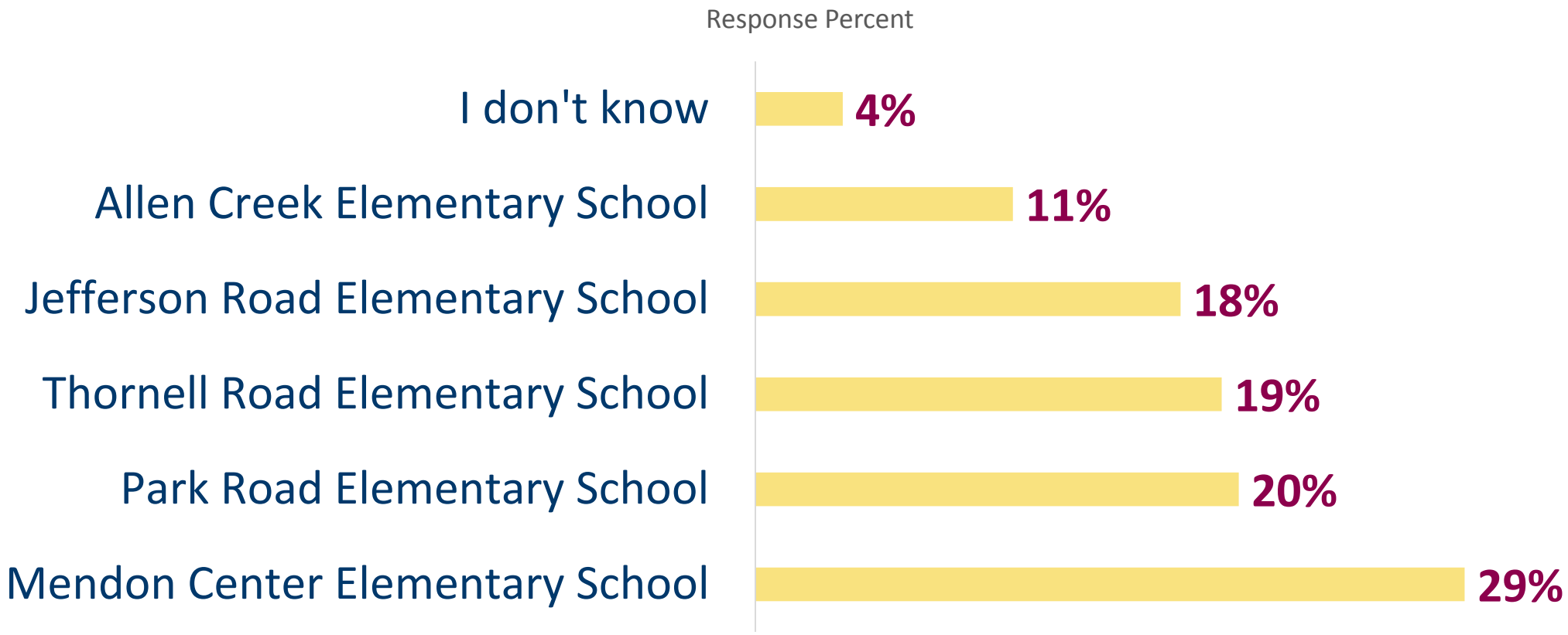

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1590 Responses

Pittsford Schools

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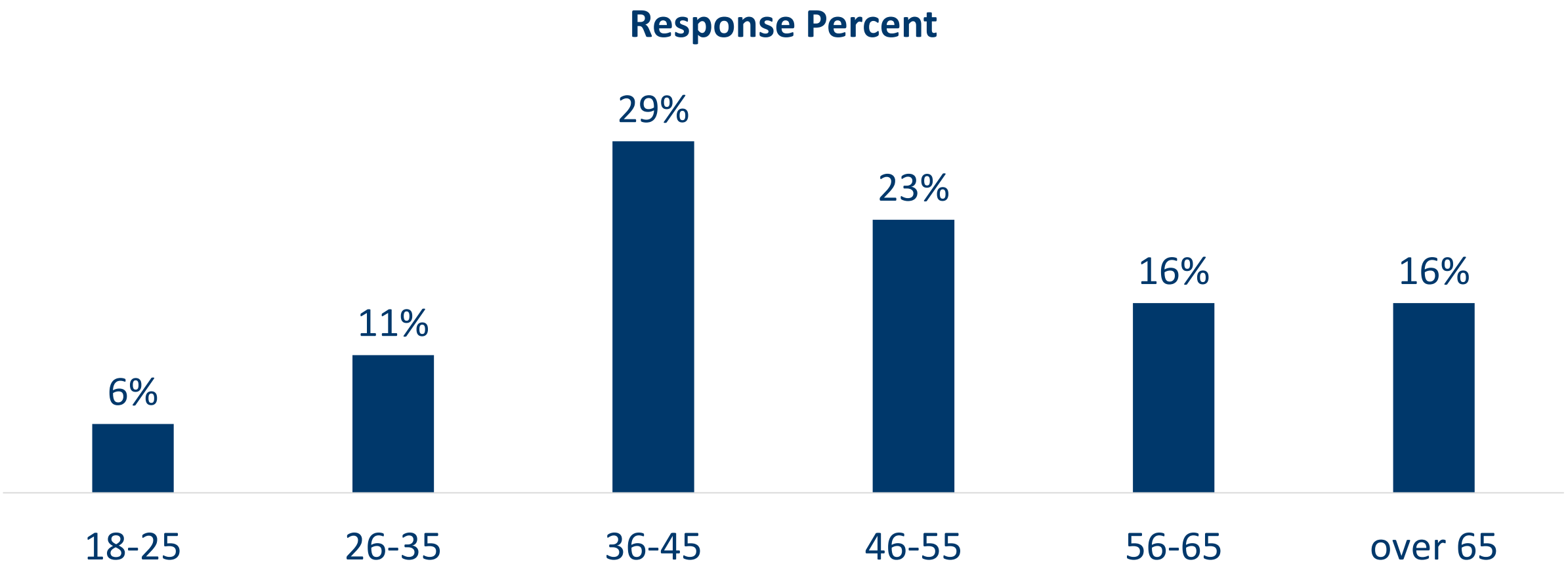

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Pittsford Schools

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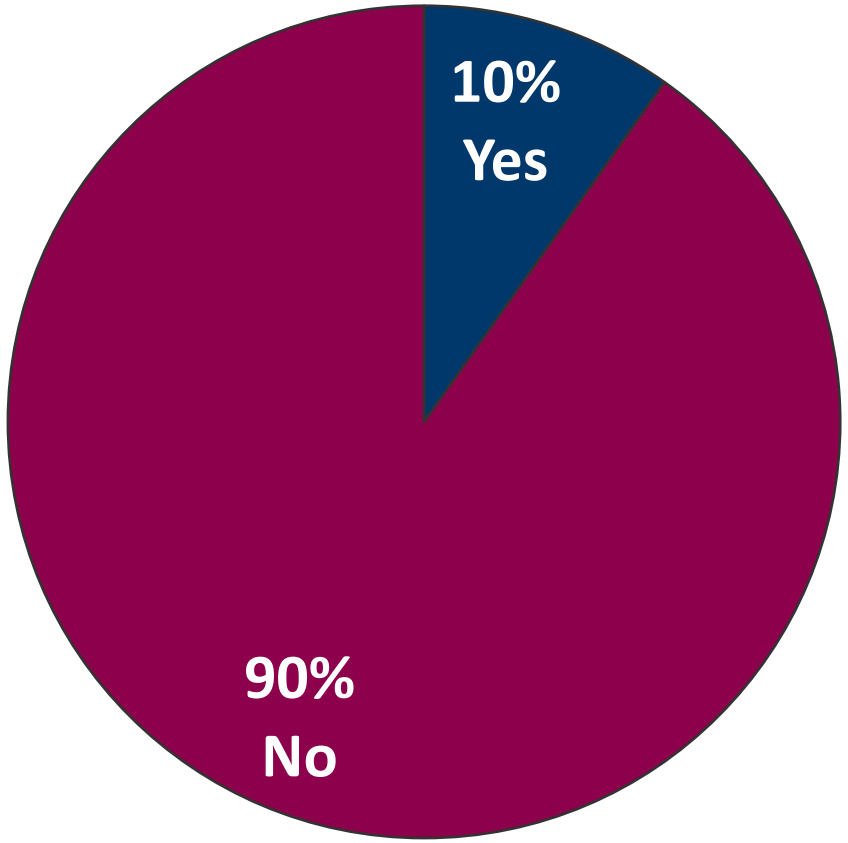

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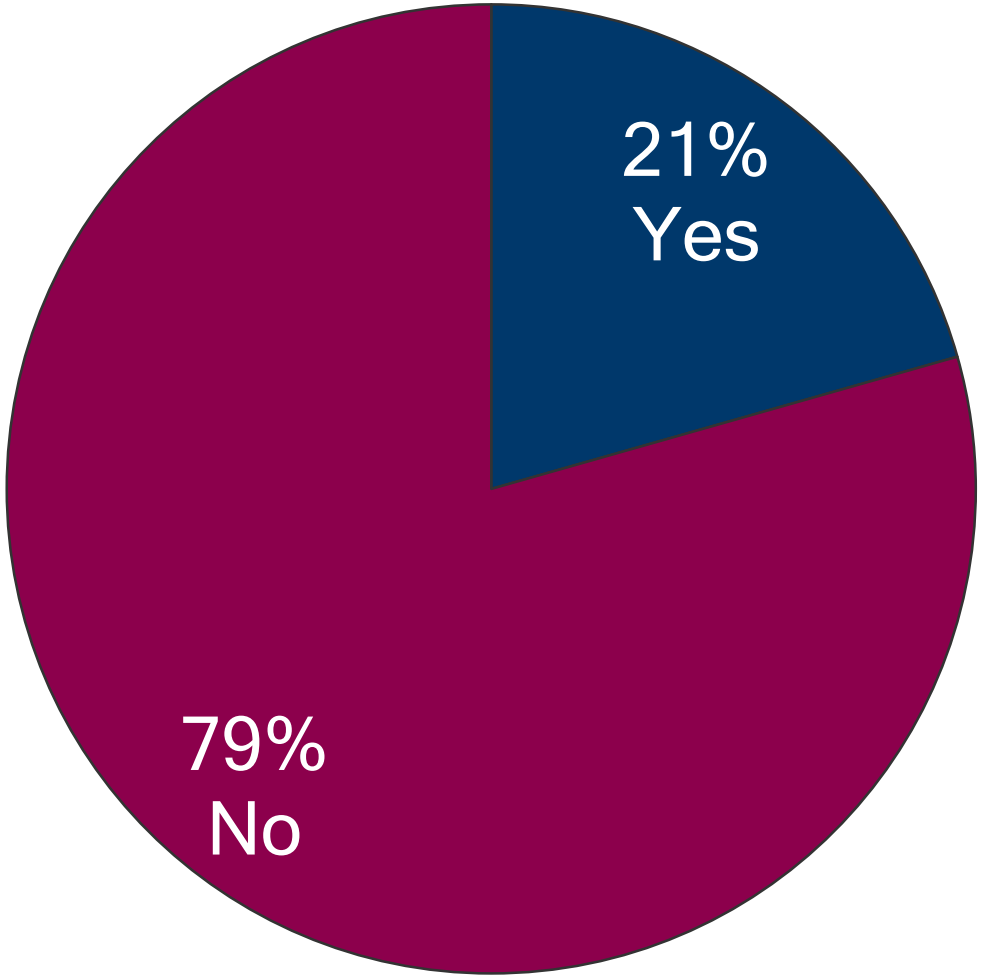

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Pittsford Schools

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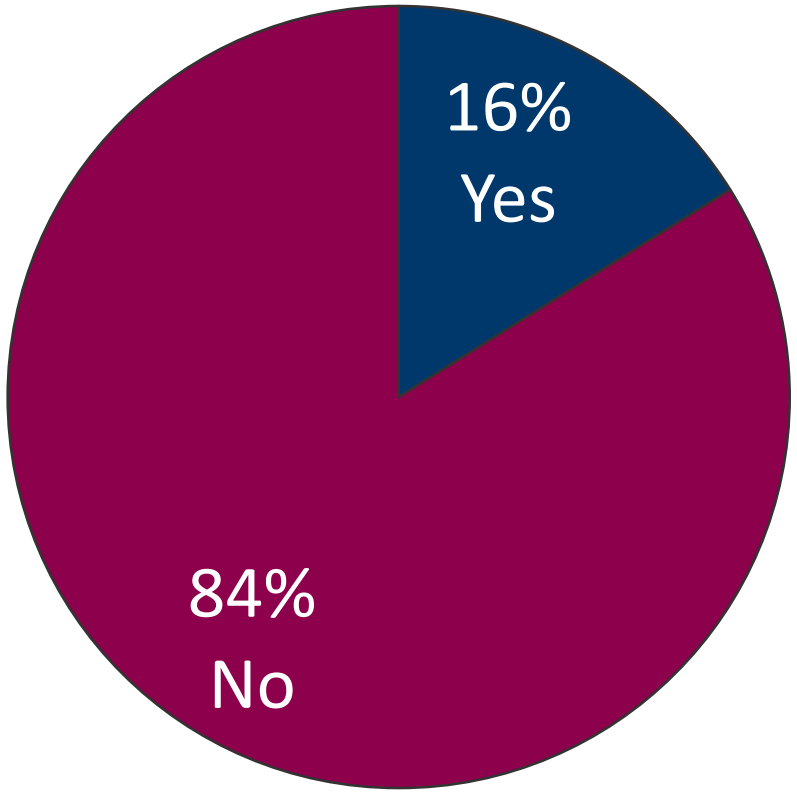

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1478 Responses

Pittsford Schools

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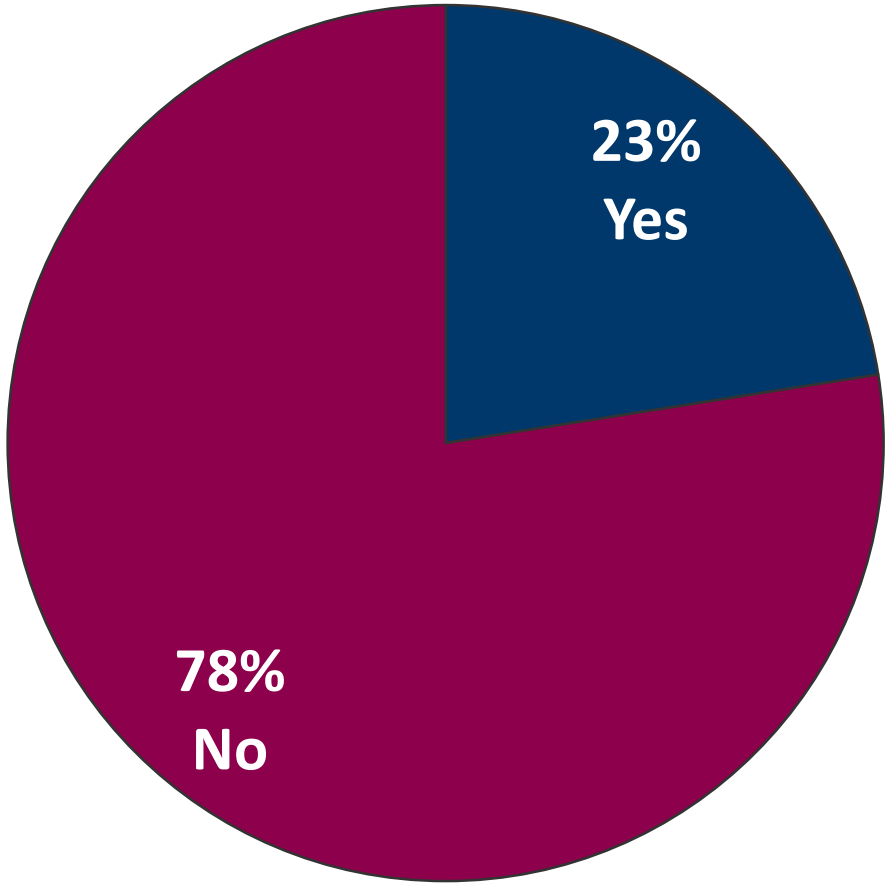
"Do you currently have any preschool age children?"



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Pittsford Schools

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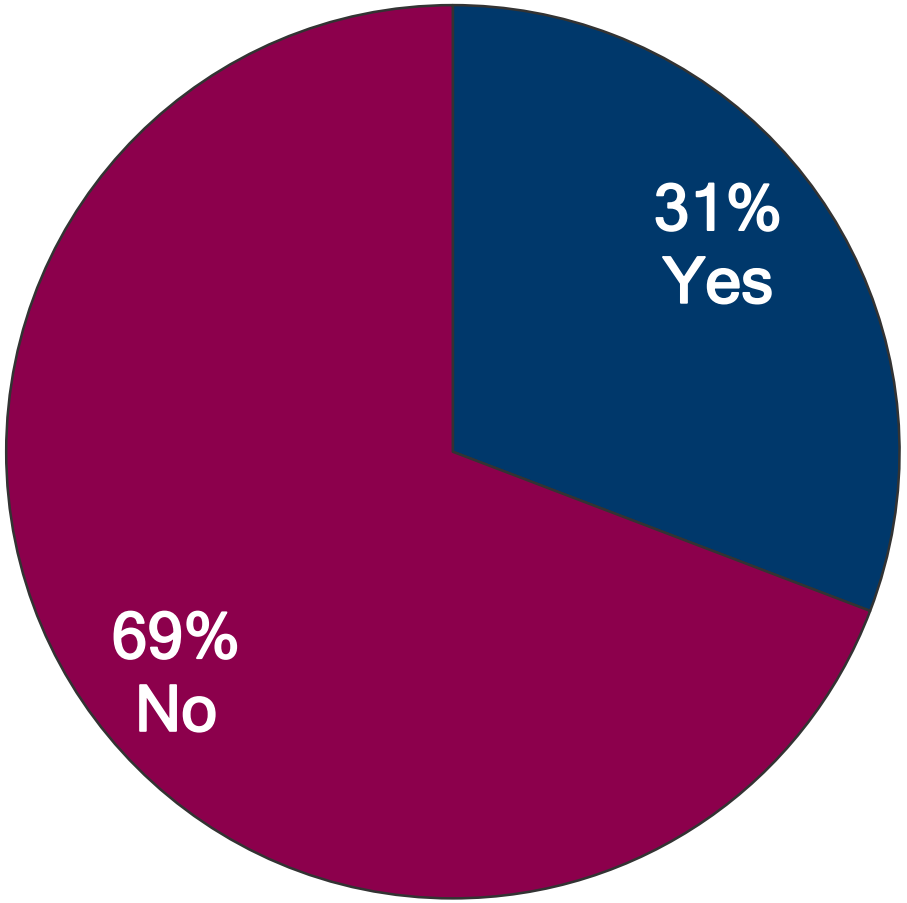
"Are you the parent of PCSD graduates?"



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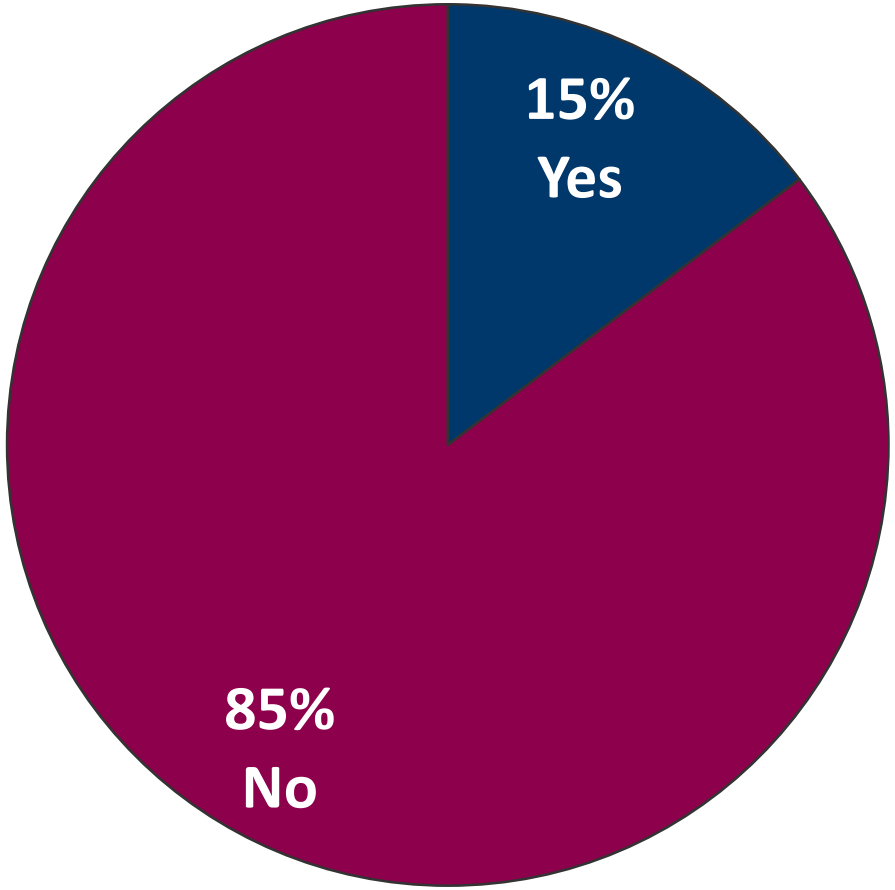

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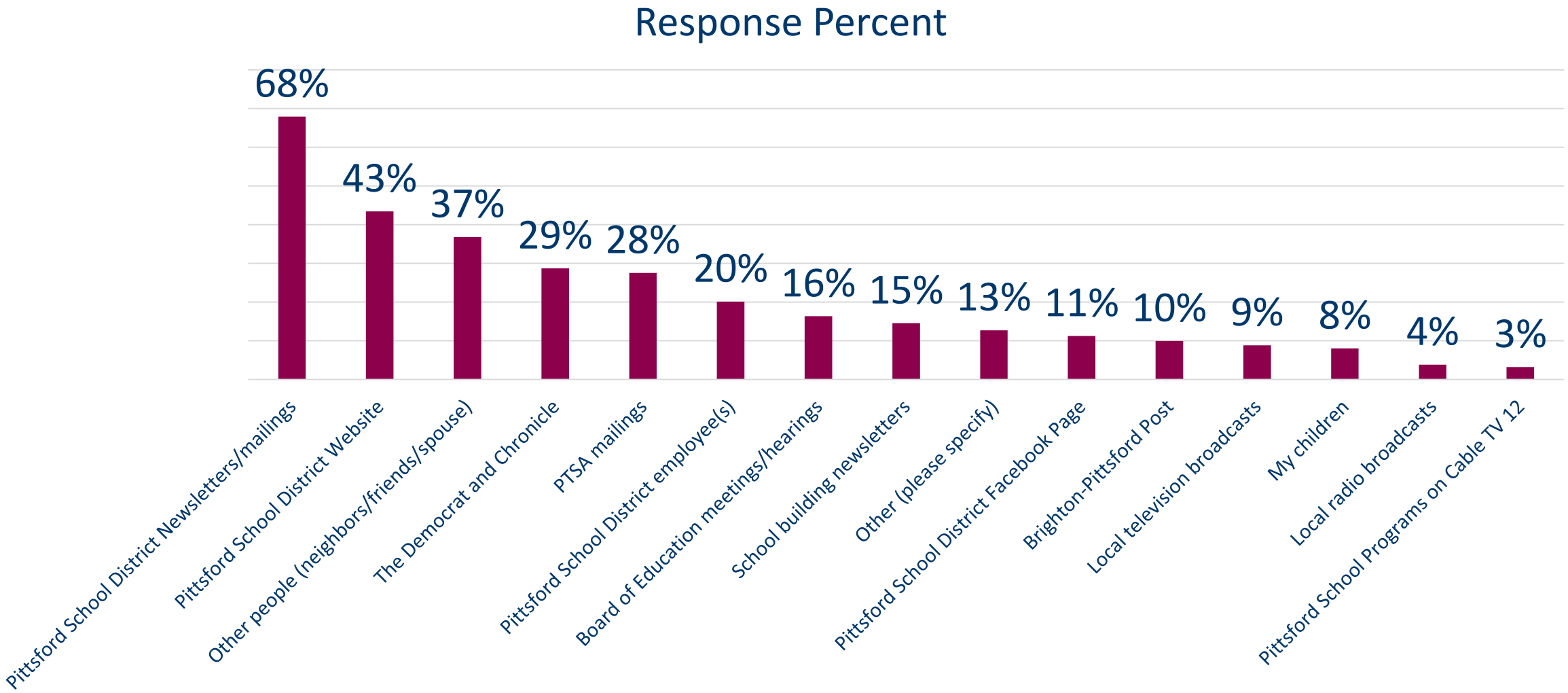
Sources for Information

"My major sources for information about the school budget vote were: (check all that apply)"



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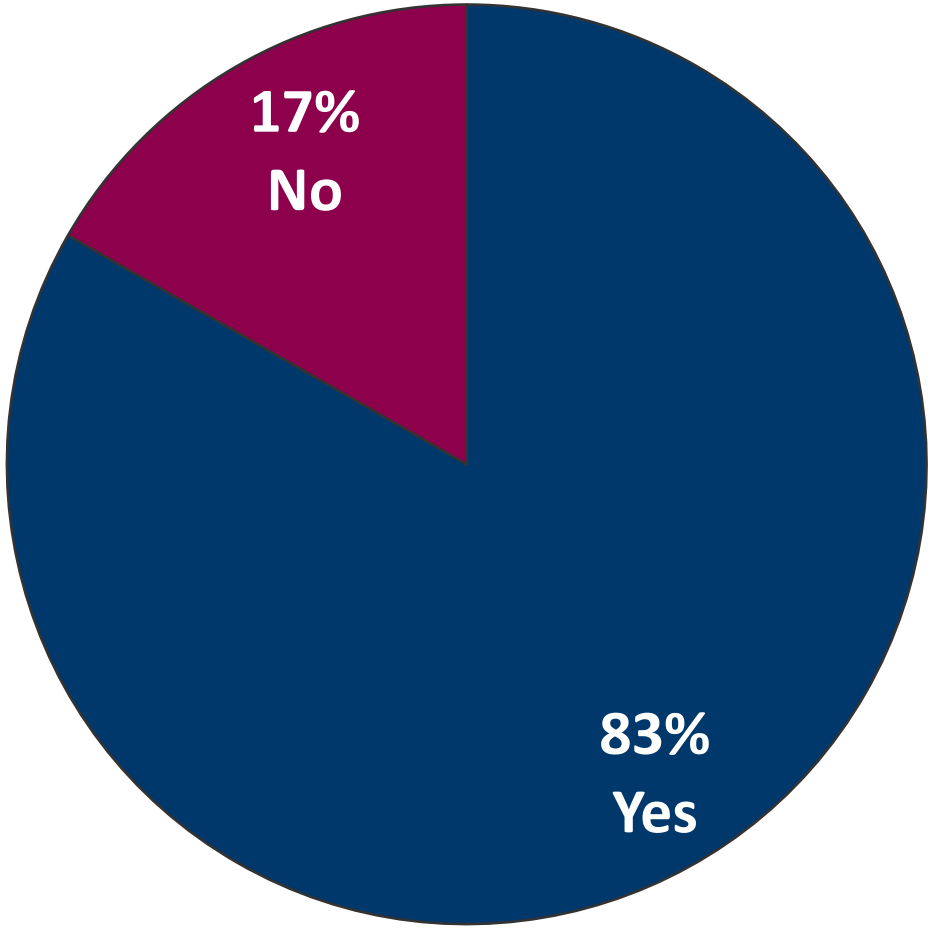
Information

"Do you feel you have been well informed about the school district's budget?"



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My Vote

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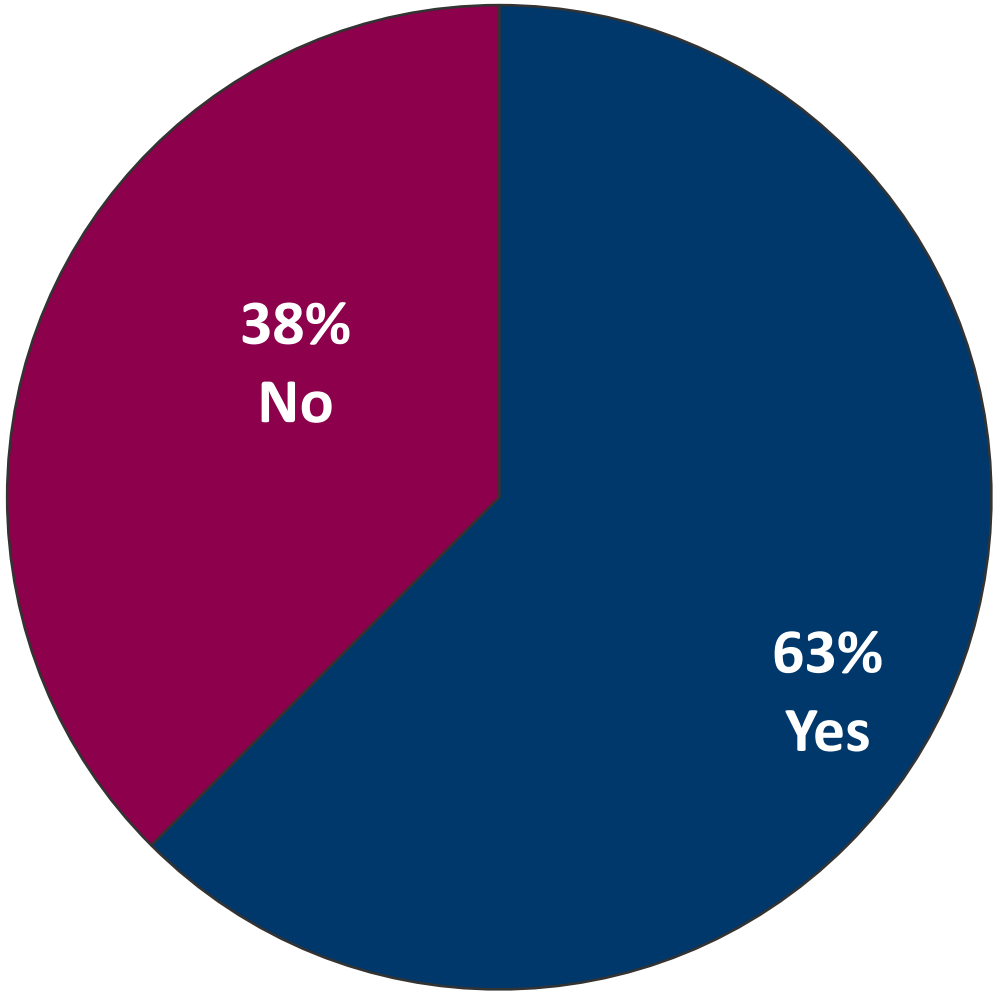

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Main Reason I Voted "Yes"

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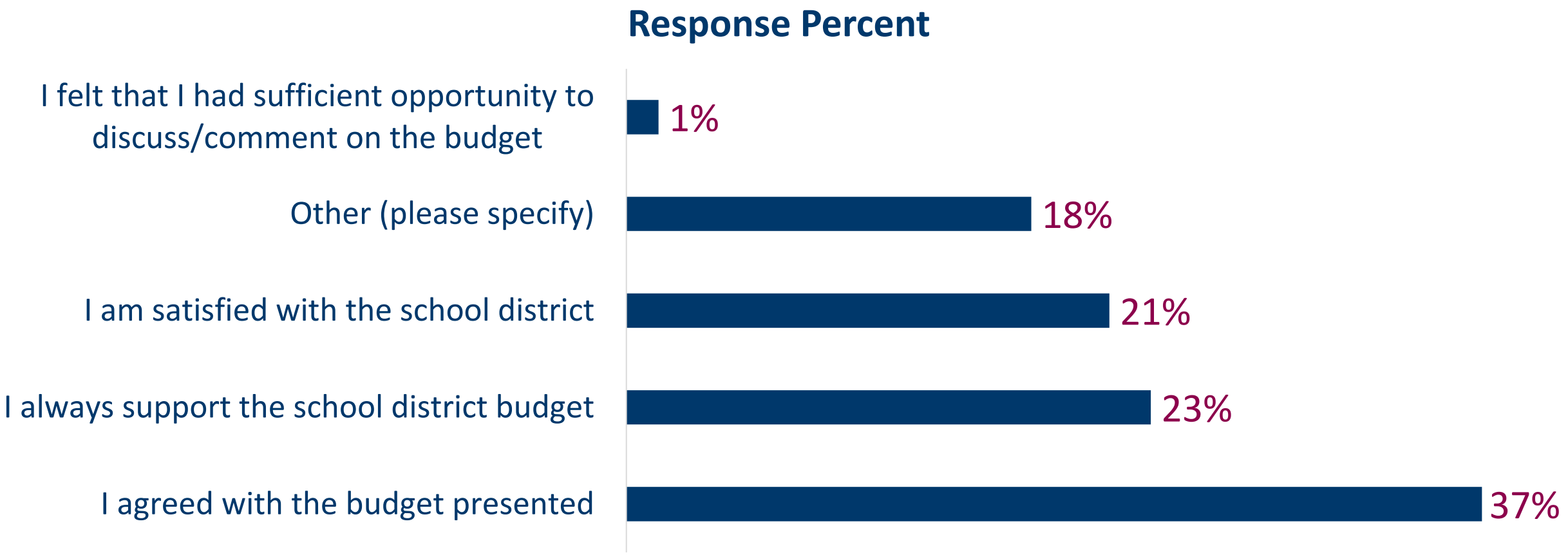


Question #14
995 Responses with 182 Comments

Pittsford Schools

Main Reason I Voted "Yes"

"The main reason I voted YES was:"

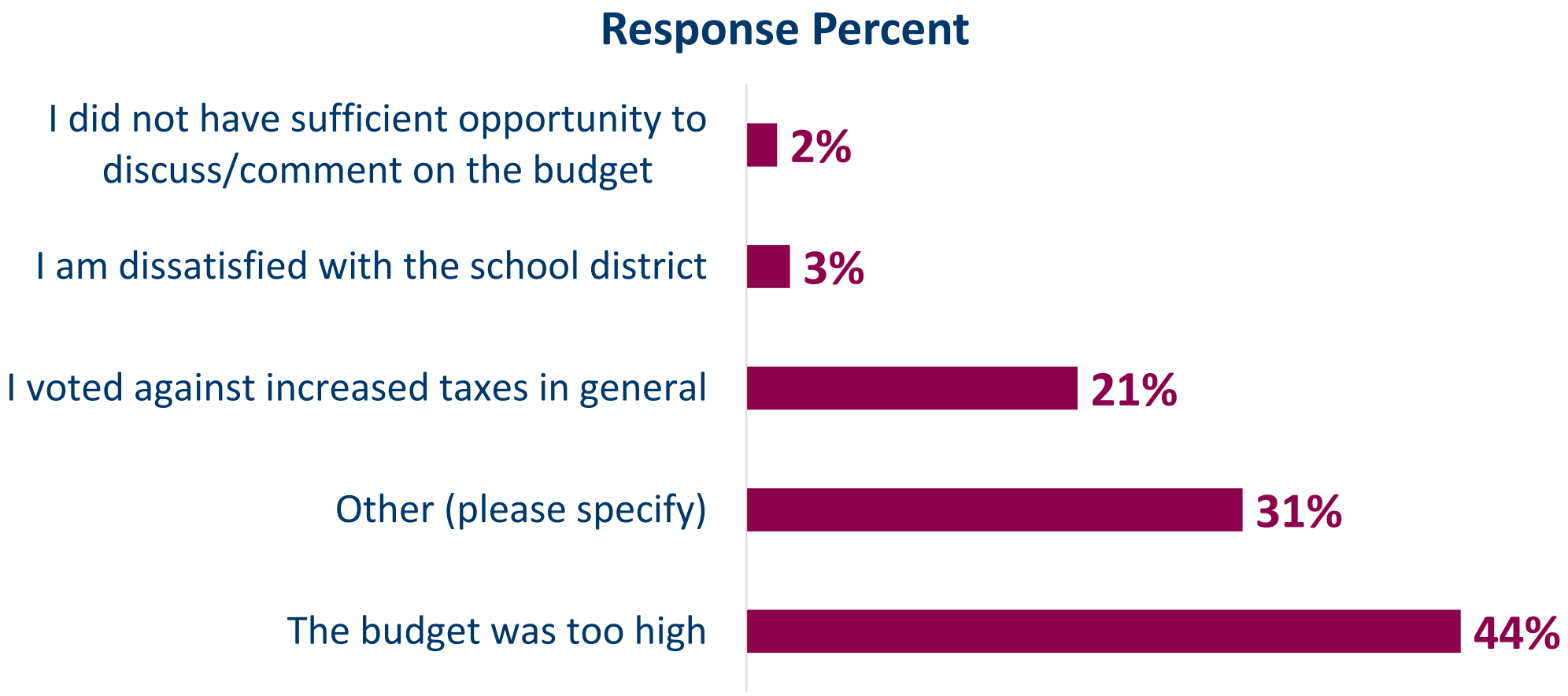
Results for "Comments"

Category	Count
Full-day K	130
Always support budget	18
Support existing programs	10

Question #14
995 Responses with 182 Comments

Pittsford Schools

Main Reason I Voted "No"



Question #15
590 Responses with 226 Comments

Pittsford Schools

Main Reason I Voted "No"

Results for "Comments"

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Category	Count
No FDK - Not beneficial	85
Tax cap exceeded	67
Need more Info	24

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Main Reason for Voting - Comparison
Results for "Comments"

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FDK Influence

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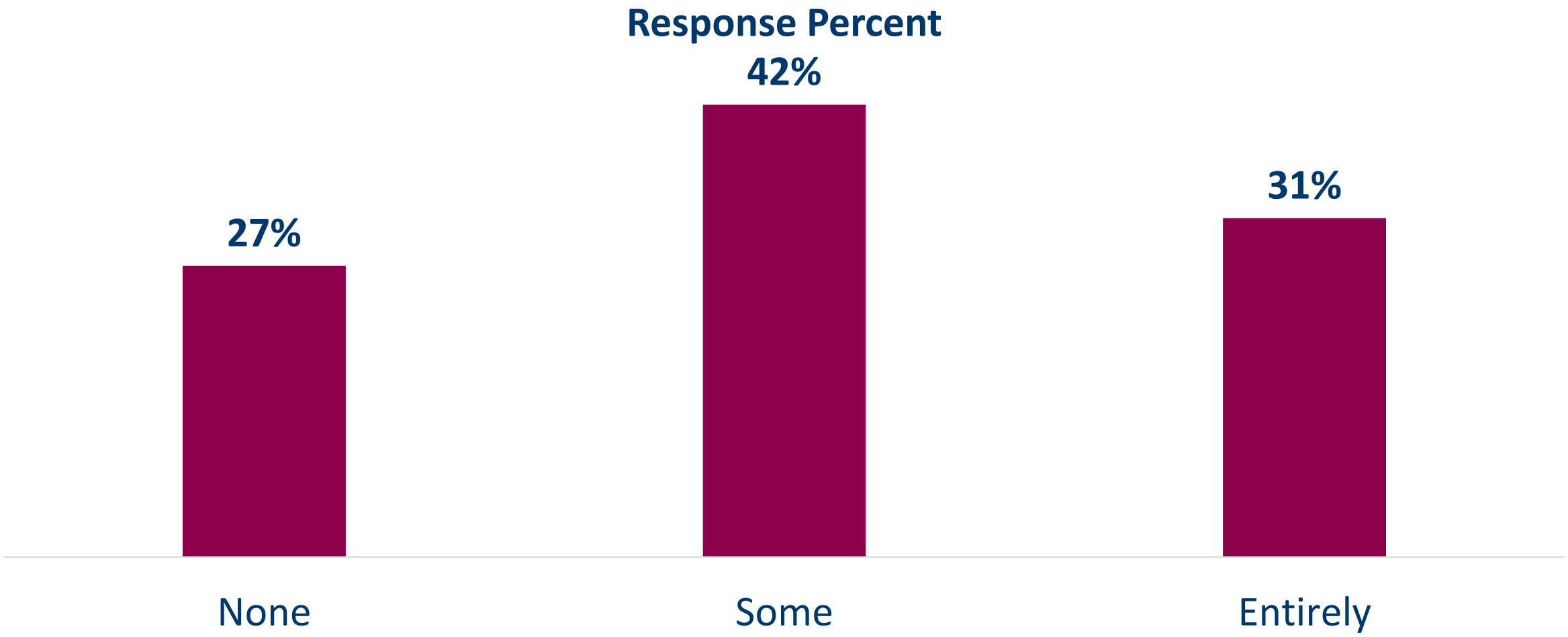

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FDK Influence- Cross Tabulations

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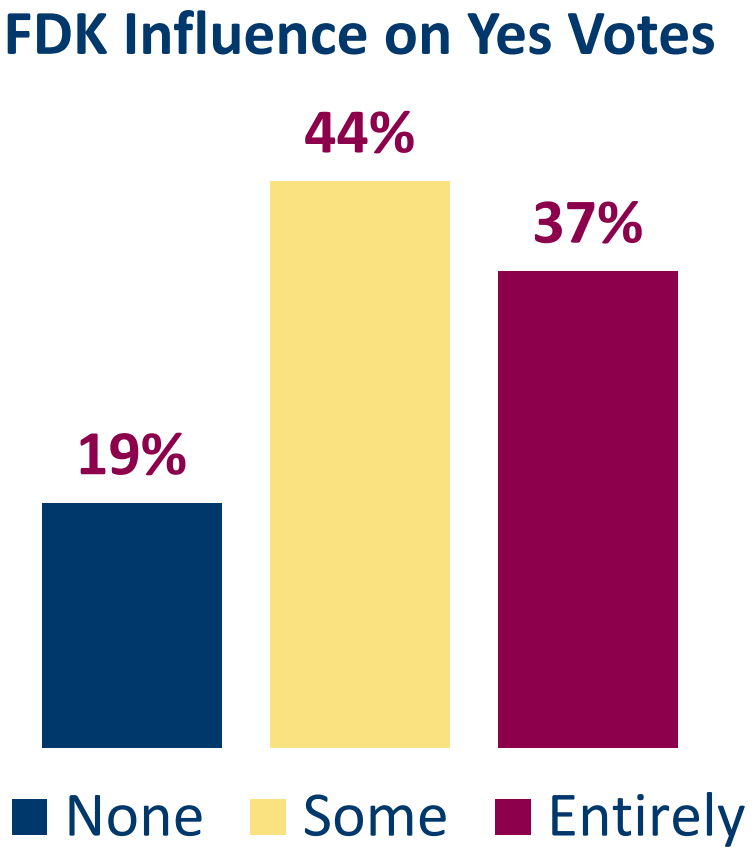

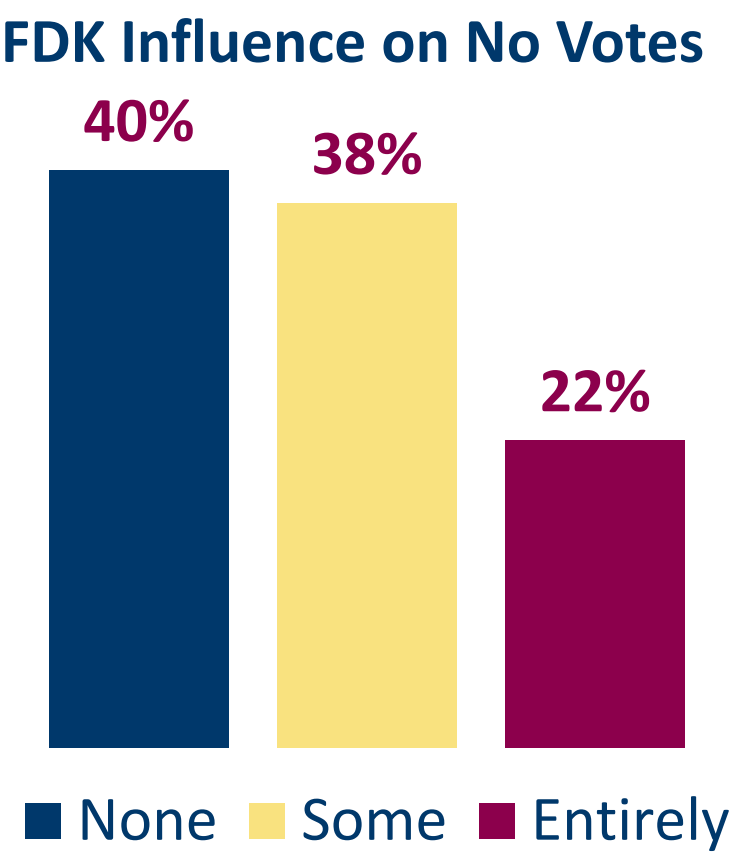

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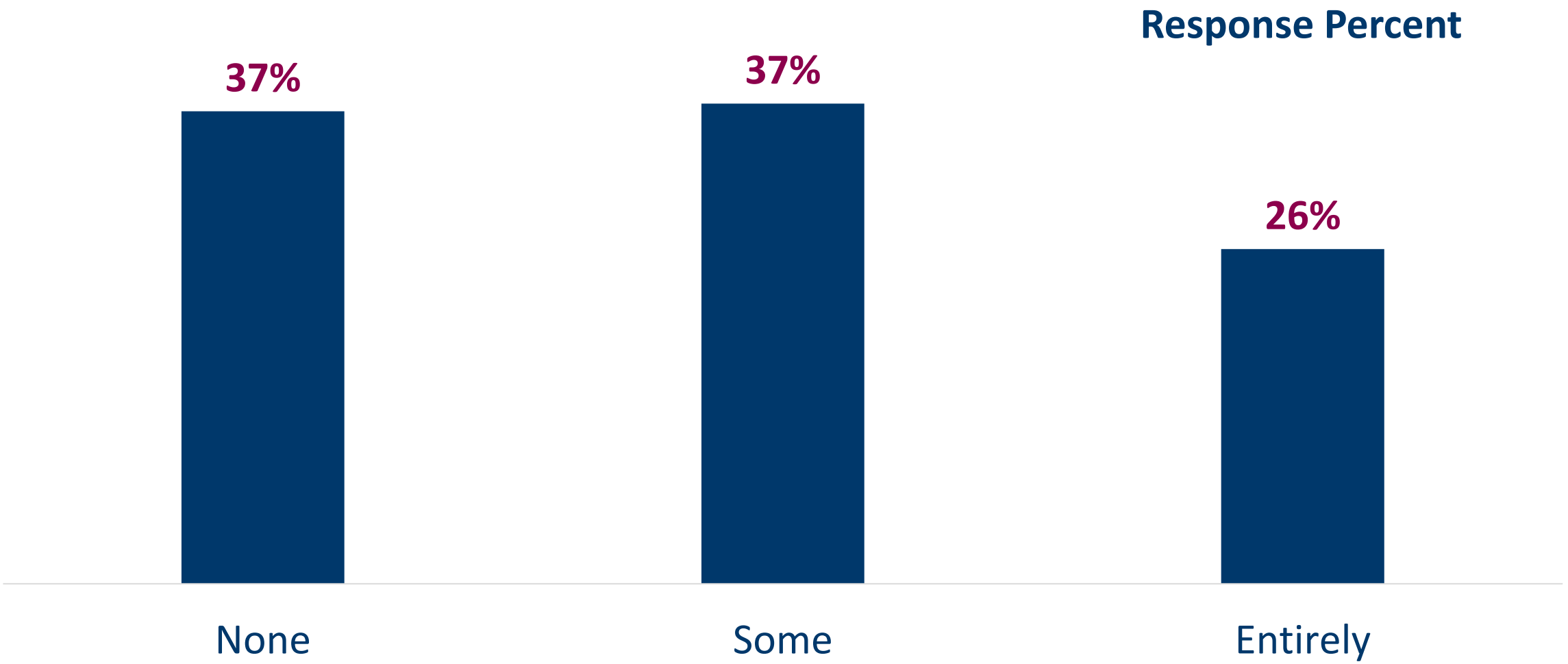
Tax Cap Influence

"How much did exceeding the Tax Cap influence your vote today?"



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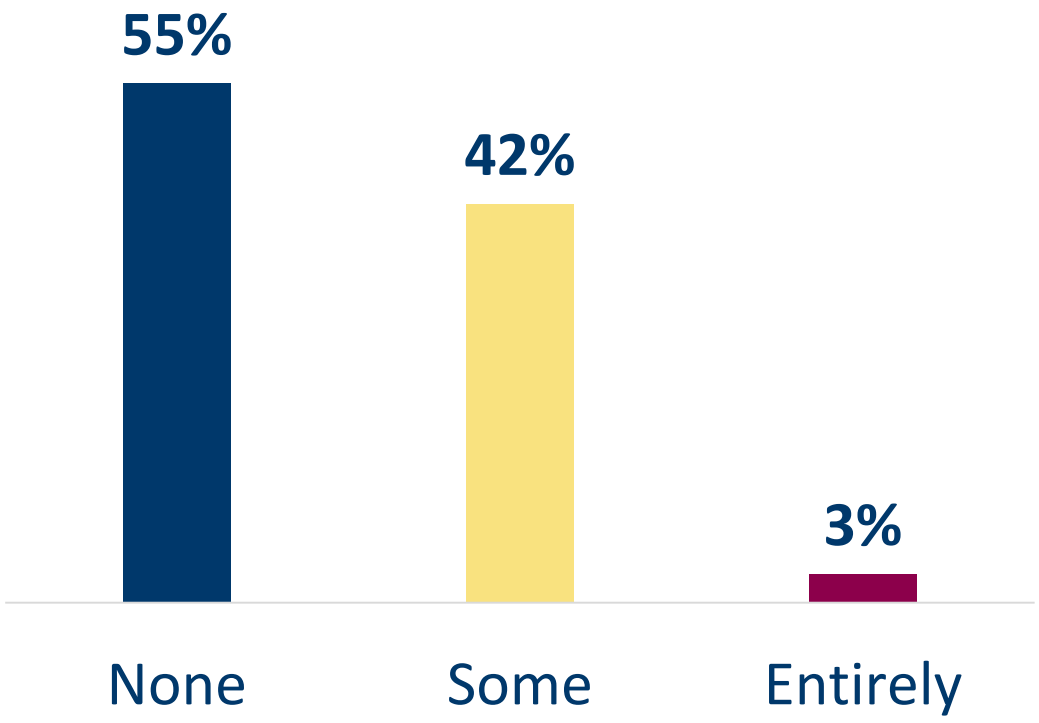
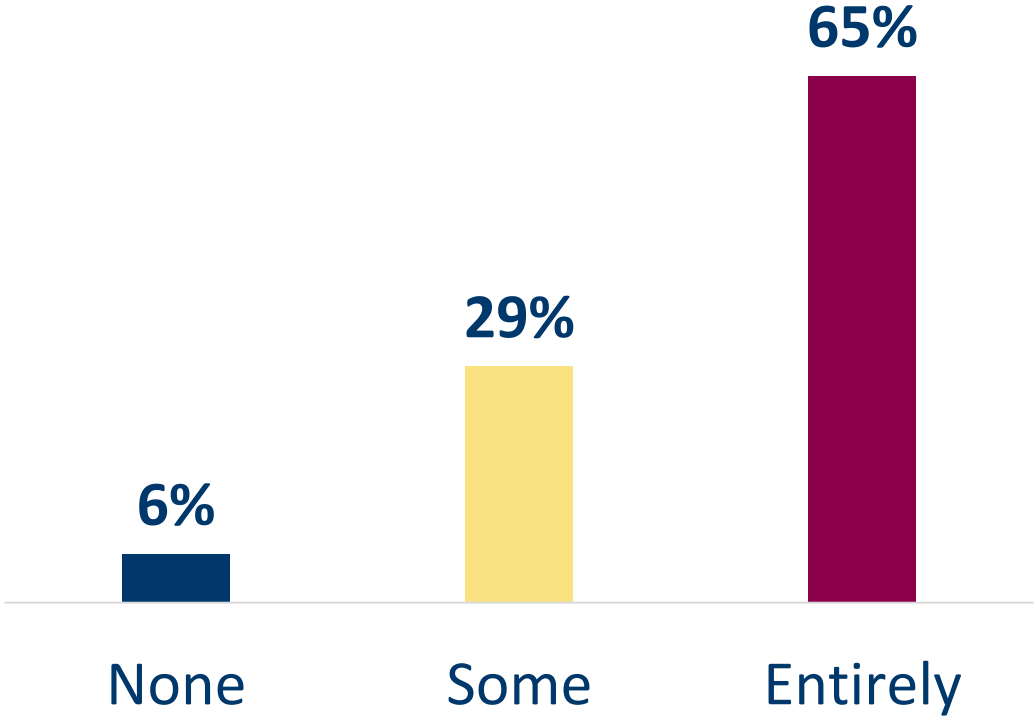
Exceeding Tax Cap Influence on Yes Votes



Exceeding Tax Cap Influence on No Votes



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Question #17
1576 Responses

Major Influences

"What other major factor(s) influenced your vote today?"

Category	Count
Children (for the kids)	188
Taxes too high	95
FDK positive	82
Better planning (Request)	74
Lack of transparency	49

Question #18
597 Responses

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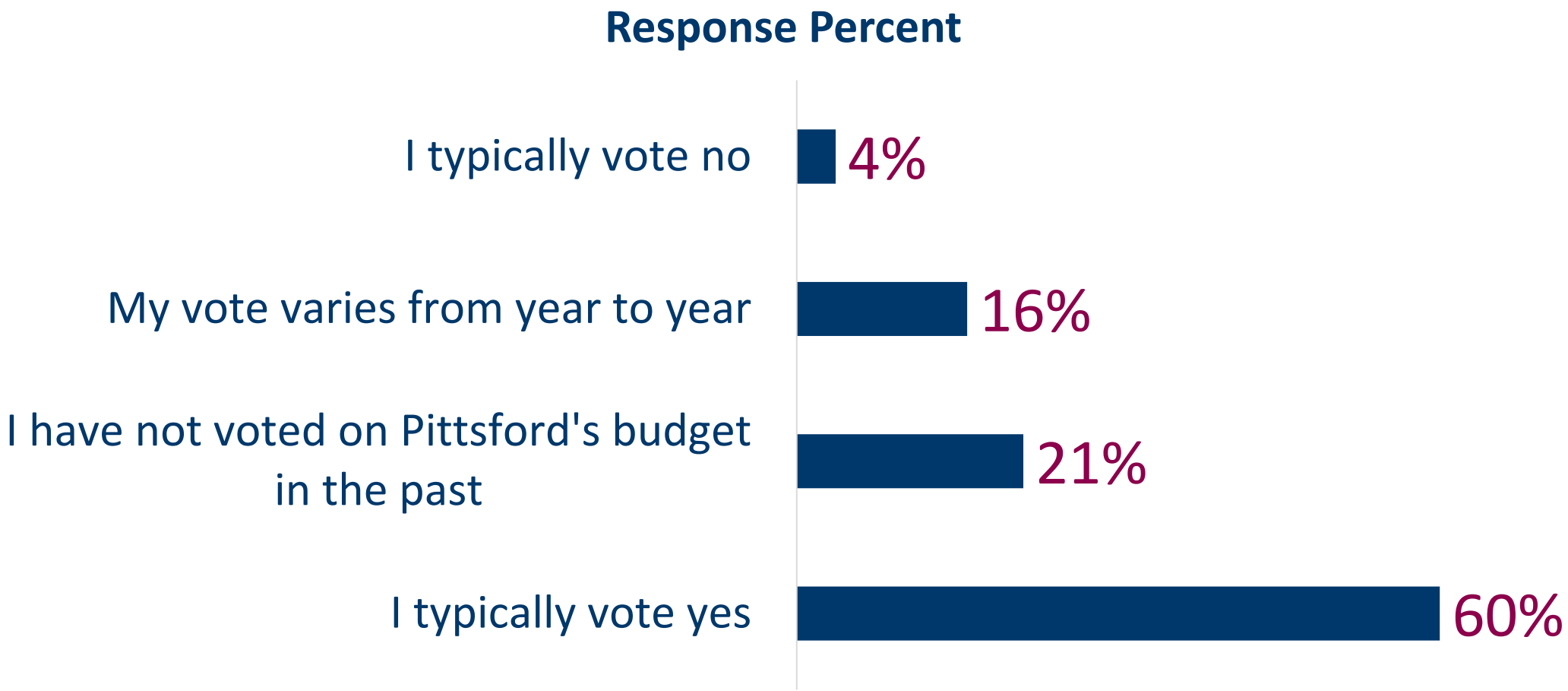
Typical Voter

"How do you typically vote on the Pittsford School budget?"



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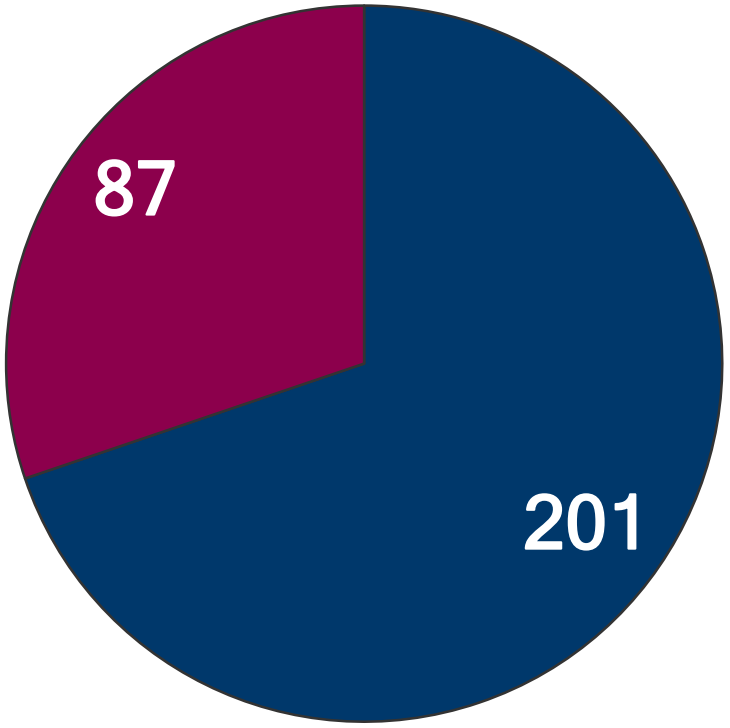
Voter Information (Not voted in the past)

"I have not voted on Pittsford's budget in the past because:"



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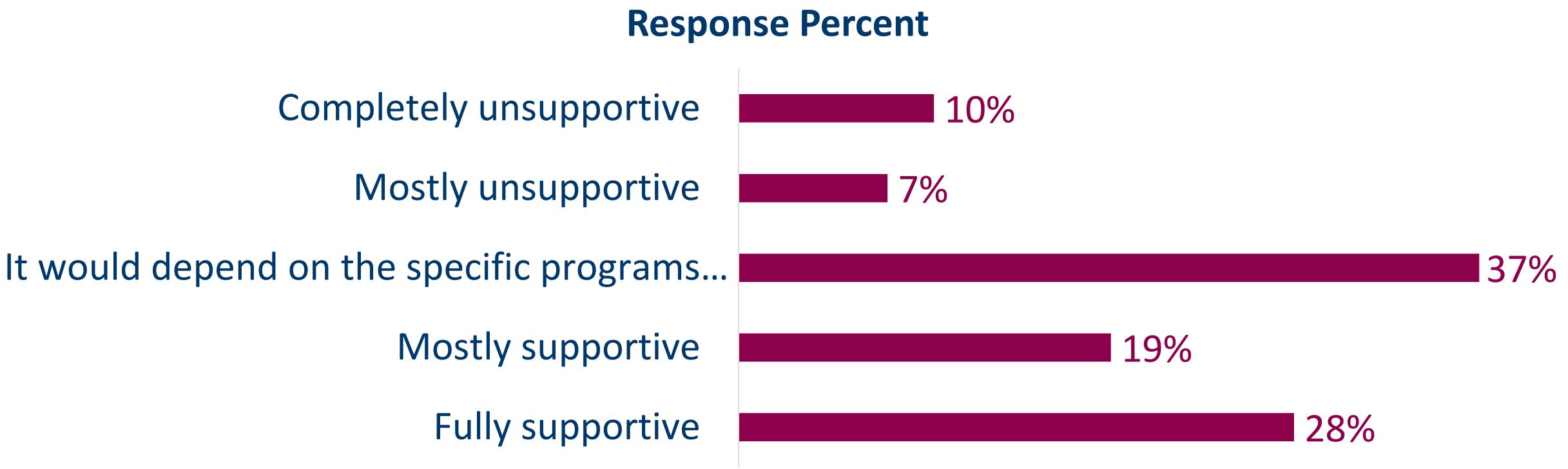
Future Tax Cap Override

"How supportive would you be of a future Tax Cap Override if it was needed to **maintain current** programs?"



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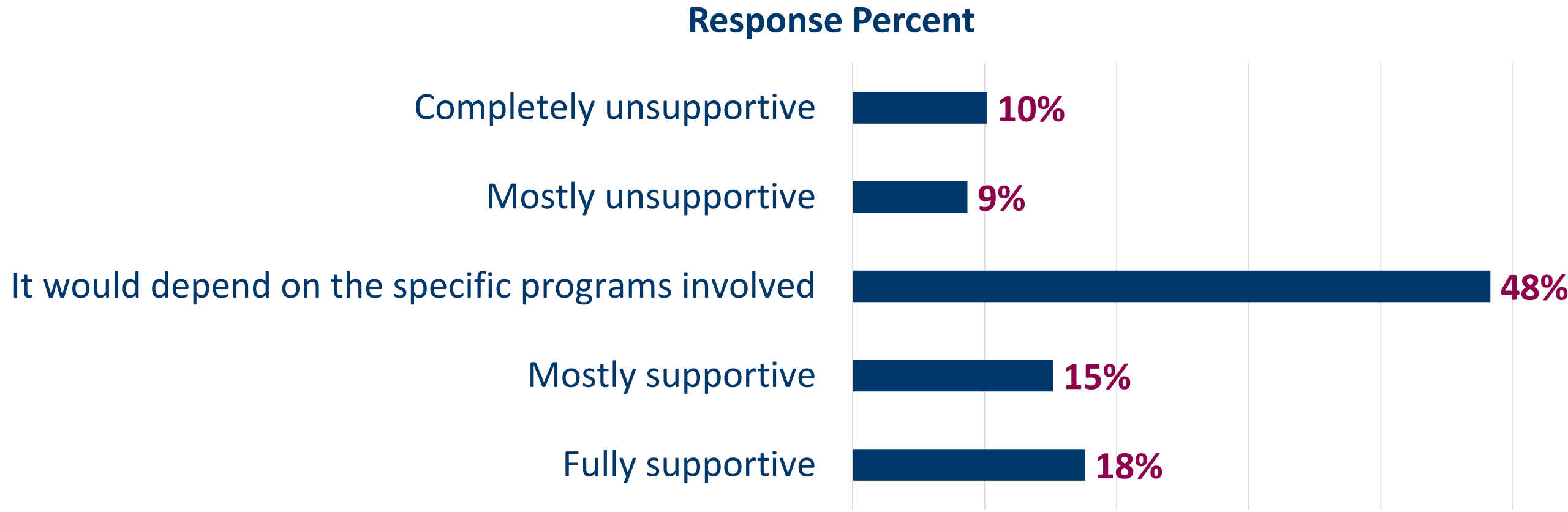

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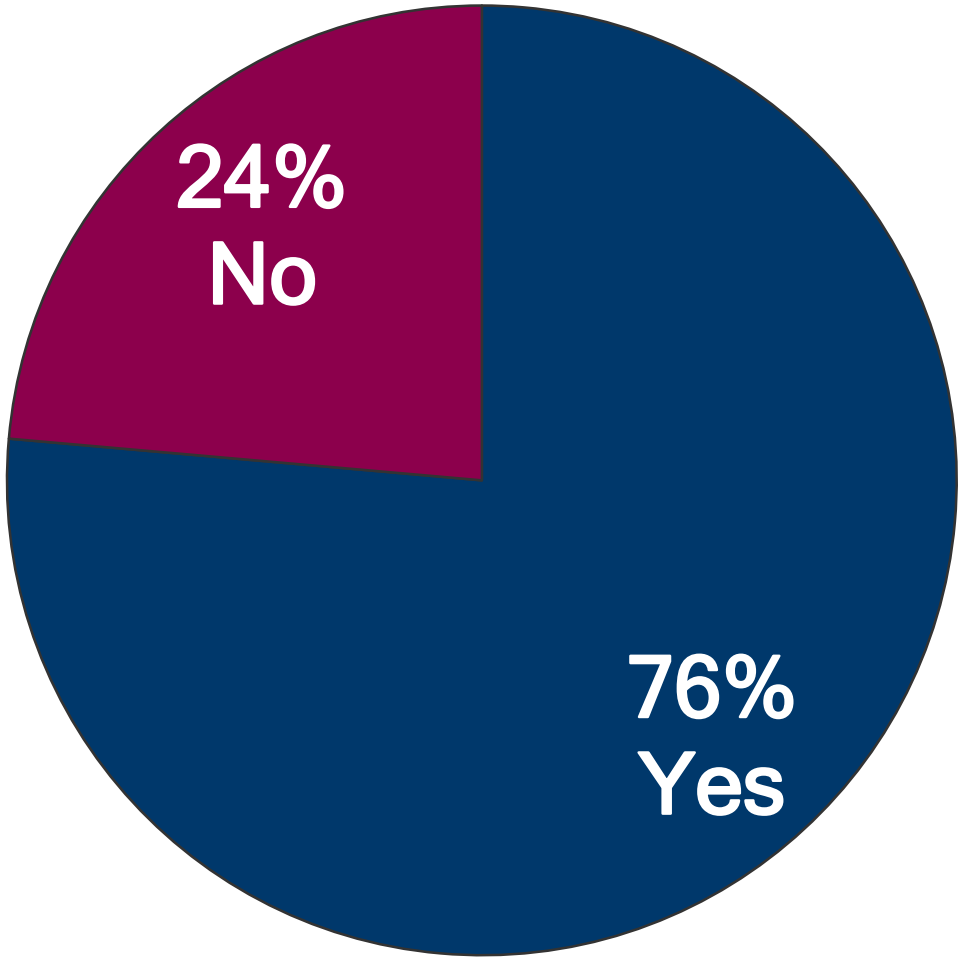
FDK Support

"Did you support the implementation of the full-day kindergarten program for PCSD?"



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FDK Support

"If so, why? (please, select one)"

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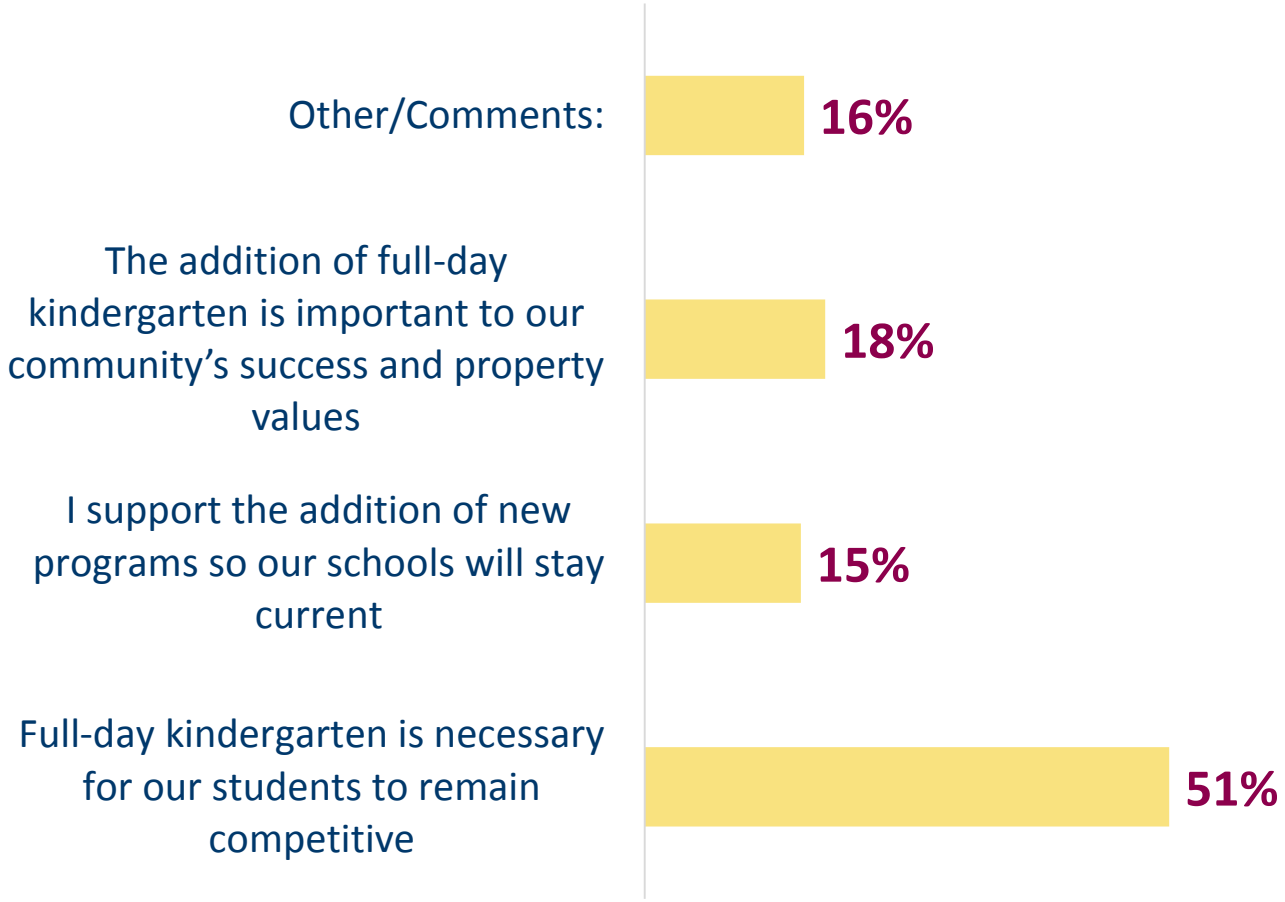

Question #24
1208 Responses with 188 Comments

Comments/Trends:

Category	Count
Support FDK	126
Support FDK - with No increase	26
For daycare	22
Keep us competitive	19
N/A	17
Current (Staying up to Date)	16

FDK Support

"If not, why not? (please, select one)"

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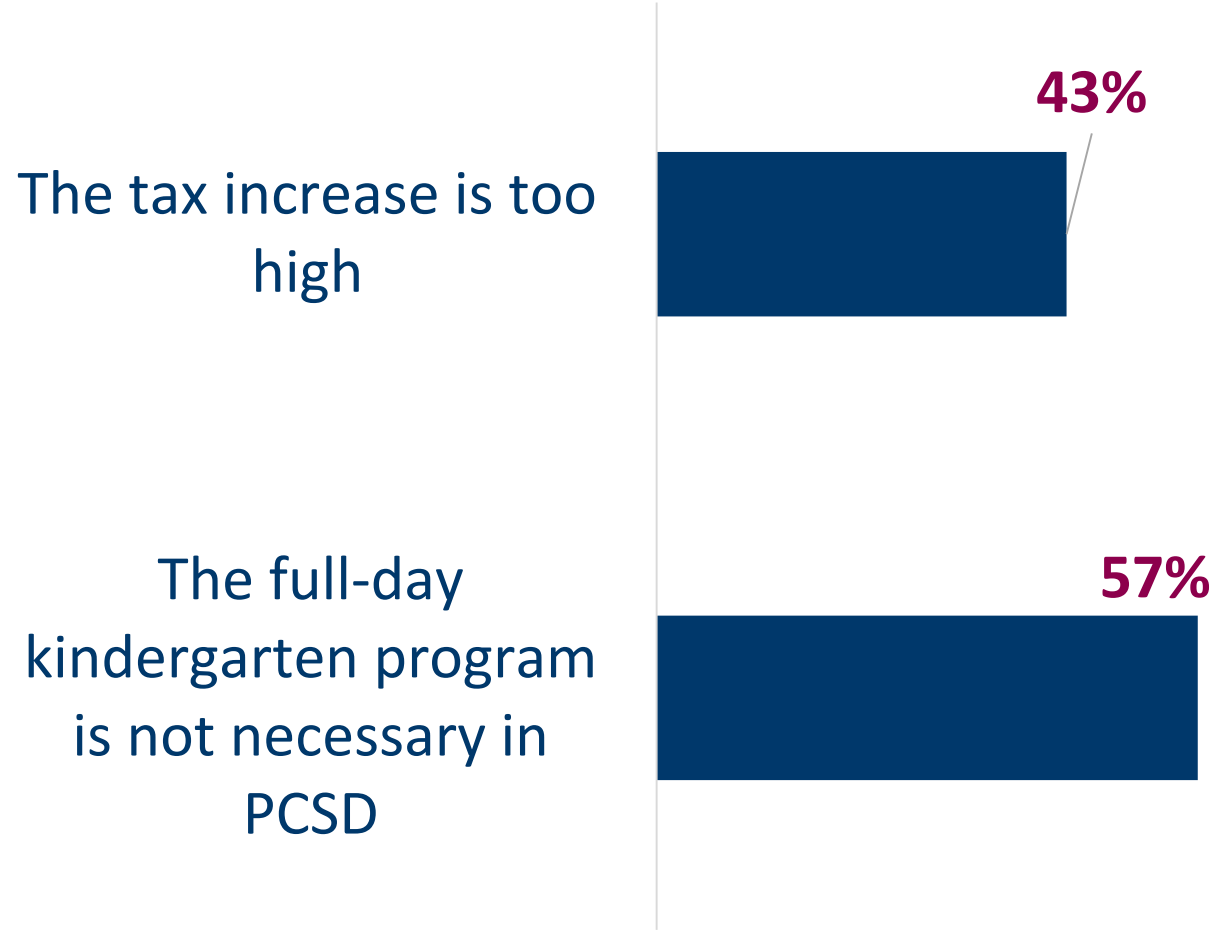


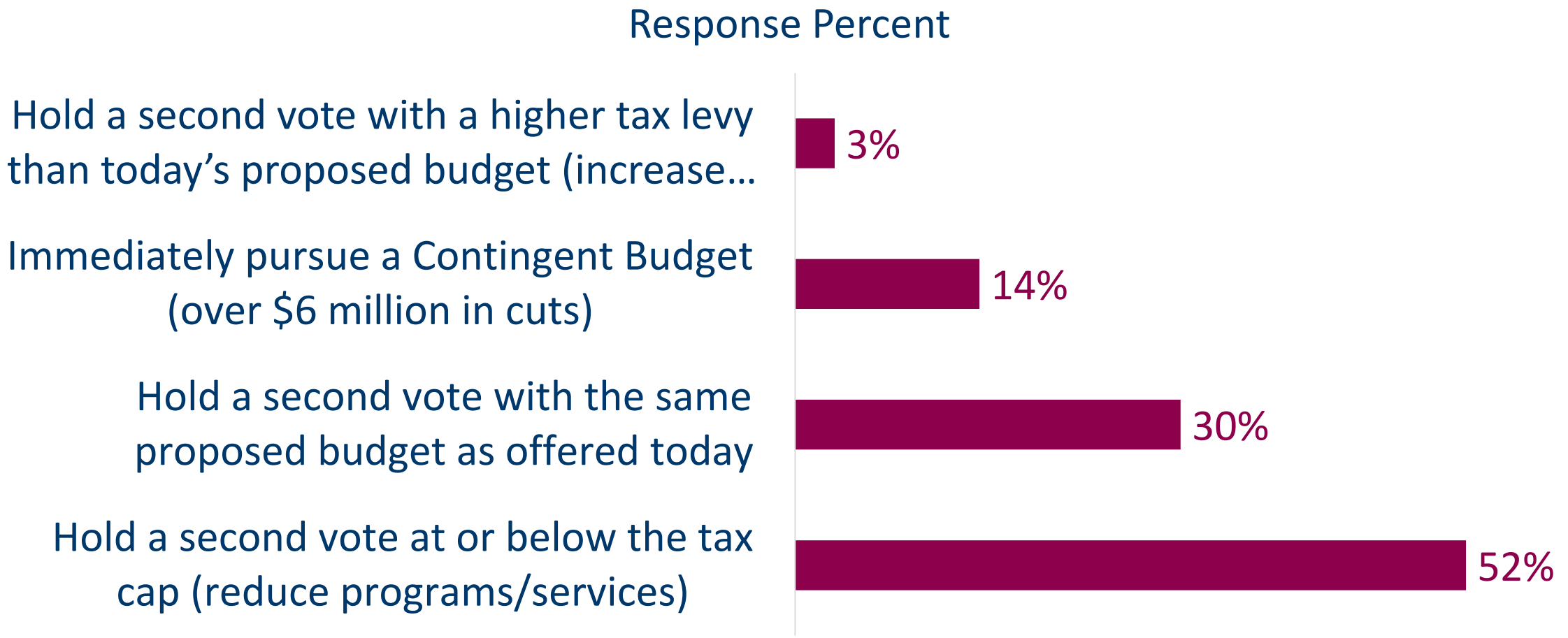
Question #25
341 Responses with 116 Comments

Comments/Trends:

Category	Count
Against FDK	43
Tax override	40
Top District without FDK	21
Avoiding daycare costs (other families, wrong reason to move forward)	7
N/A	7

Course of Action

"If today's proposed budget does not pass, which course of action would you suggest the Board of Education follow?"



Question #26
1508 Responses

Pittsford Schools

Program and Services

"Which programs/services would you suggest be cut in order to get below the Tax Cap?"

Comments/Trends

Category	Count
Not Sure (Voters are not sure)	110
FDK	96
Athletics	60
Admin costs or administrators	34
Benefits/salaries	28
Transportation/buses	16
Nothing	16
Reduce staff	15
Capital projects	7
Electives	6

Question #27
410 Responses

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General Comments:

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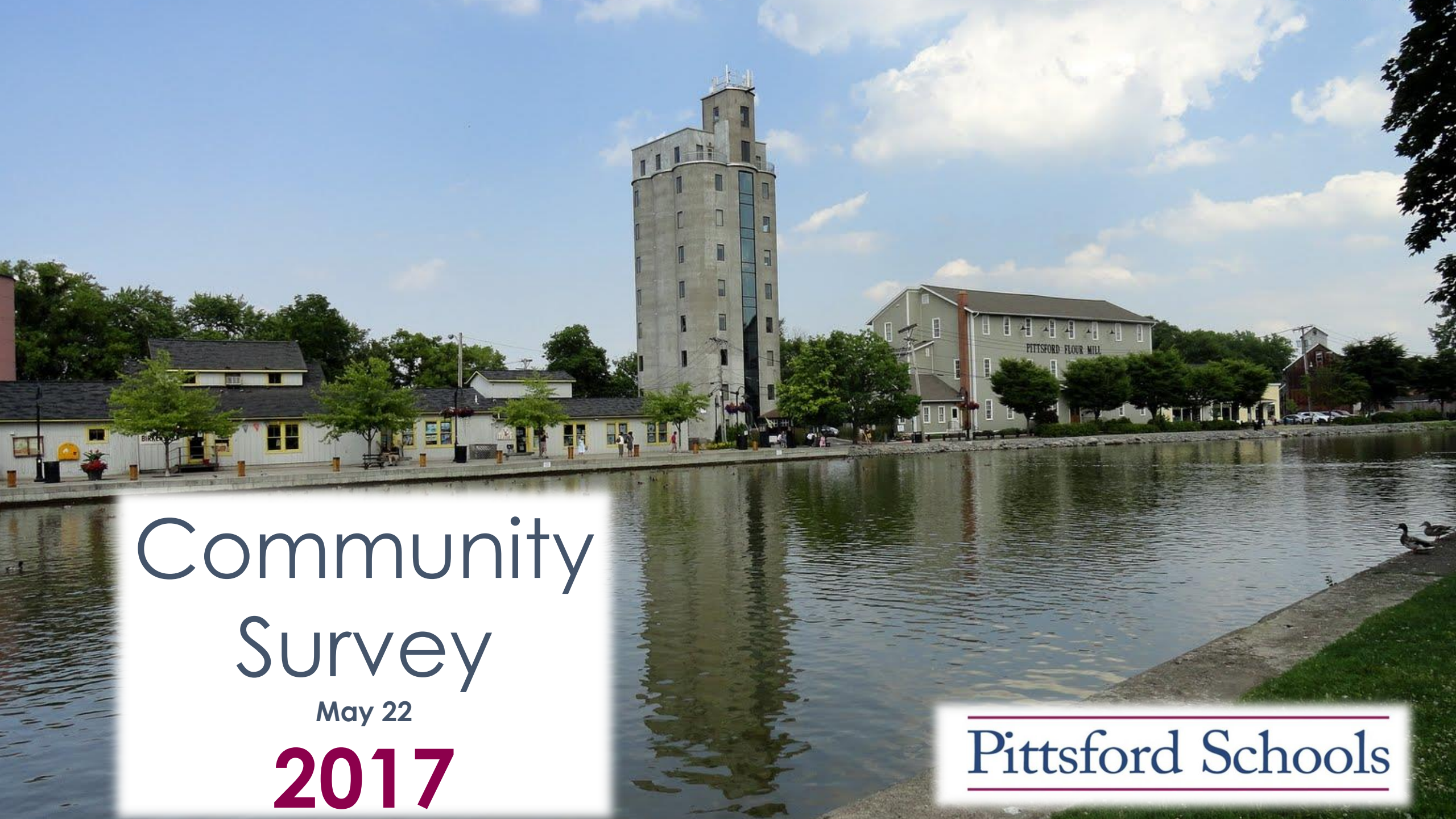
Comments/Trends

Category	Count
Communication - Need more information	68
Manage budget better	60
Yes FDK	57
N/A or no answer	42
Positive regarding District	29
Too expensive	25
No Cuts in programs	15
No FDK	13
Negative regarding voting process/environment	8
Positive regarding budget	7
Cut programs (Sports)	7

Question #28
320 Responses



Community Survey

May 22

2017

Pittsford Schools

Demographic Data- Completed Survey Counts

2,168 people participated in the community survey

The survey was distributed through:

District email,
Infinite Campus Messenger,
Twitter,
Facebook,
District website,
and the use of paper.

Dates that the Survey was open for feedback: Thursday 5/18 through Sunday 5/21/17.

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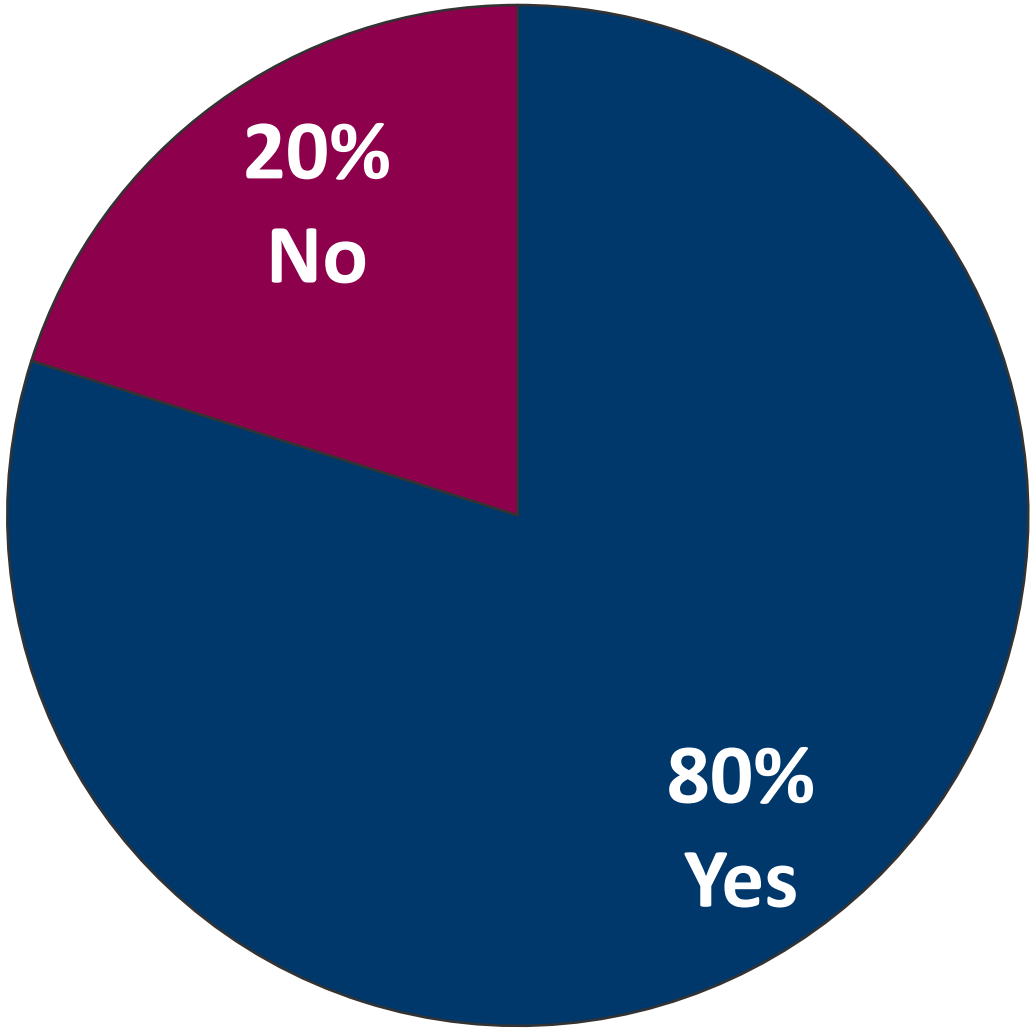
Demographic Data

"Did you vote in the May 16, 2017 school budget election?"



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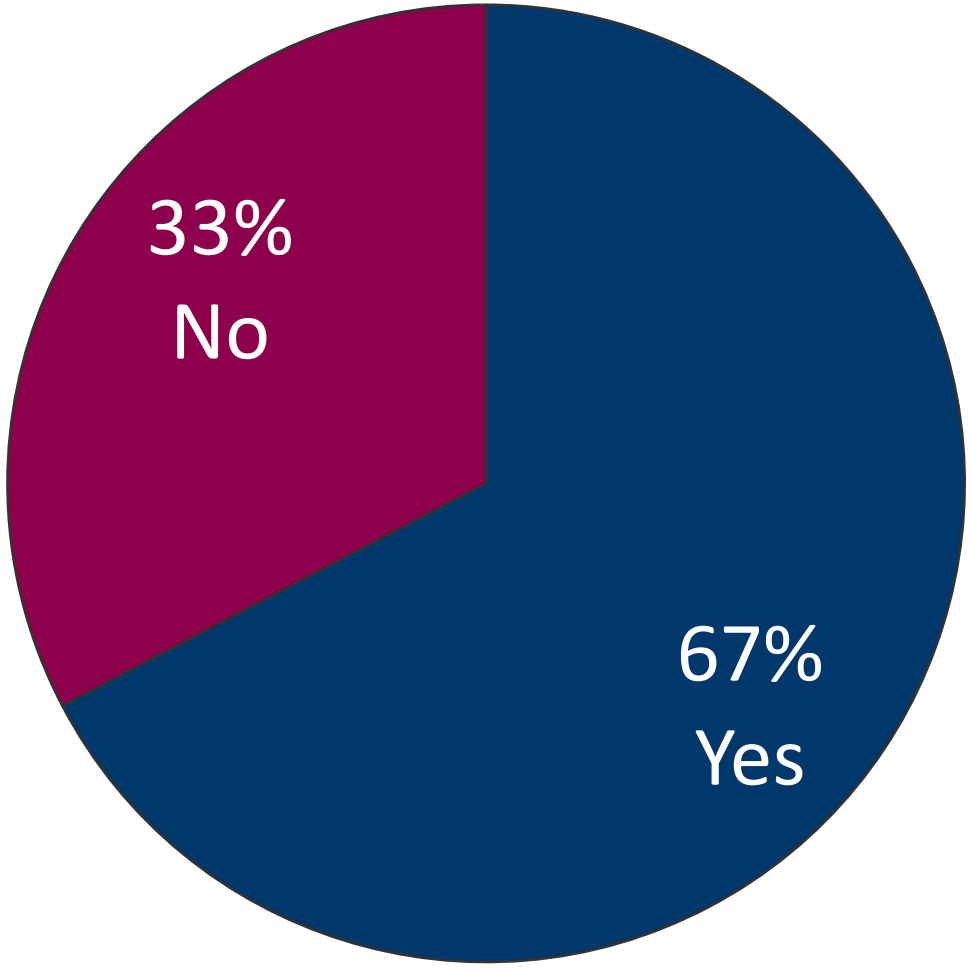

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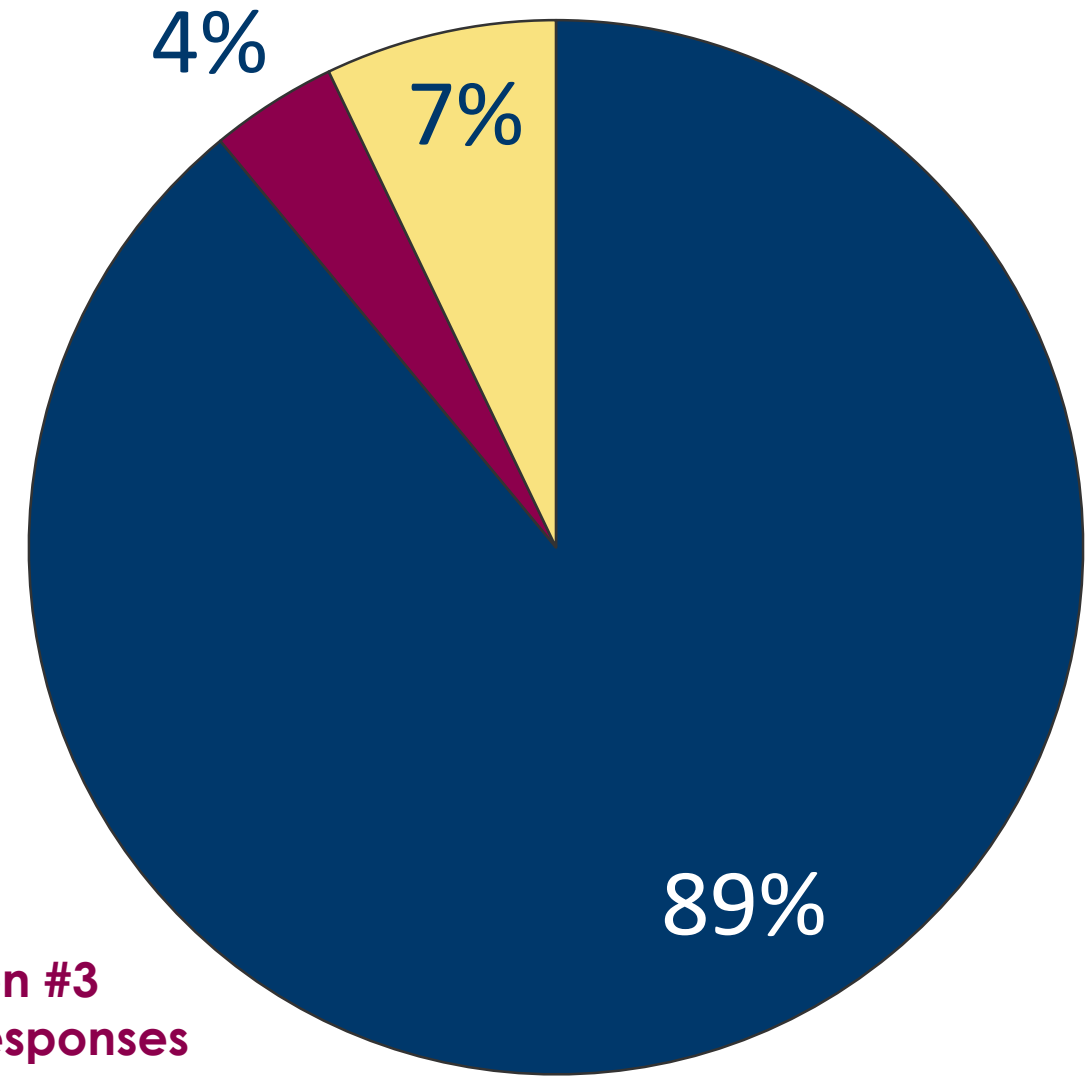
"If yes, do they attend:"



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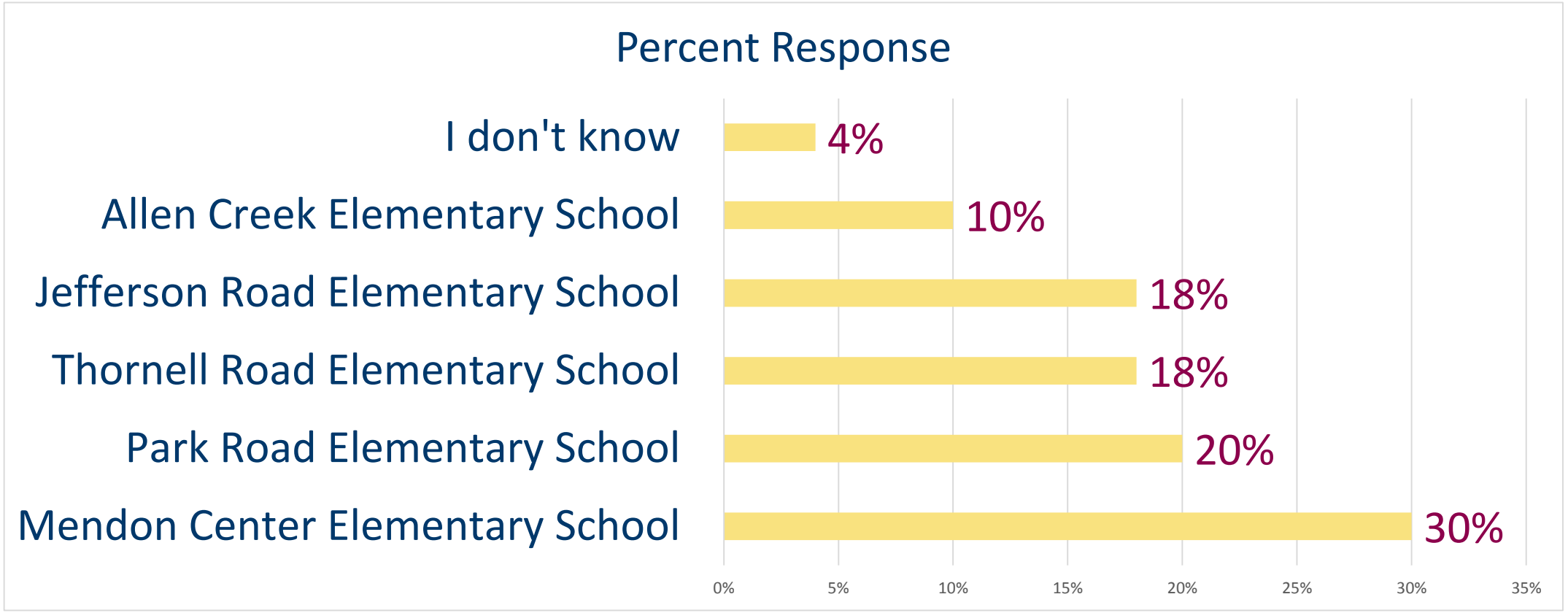

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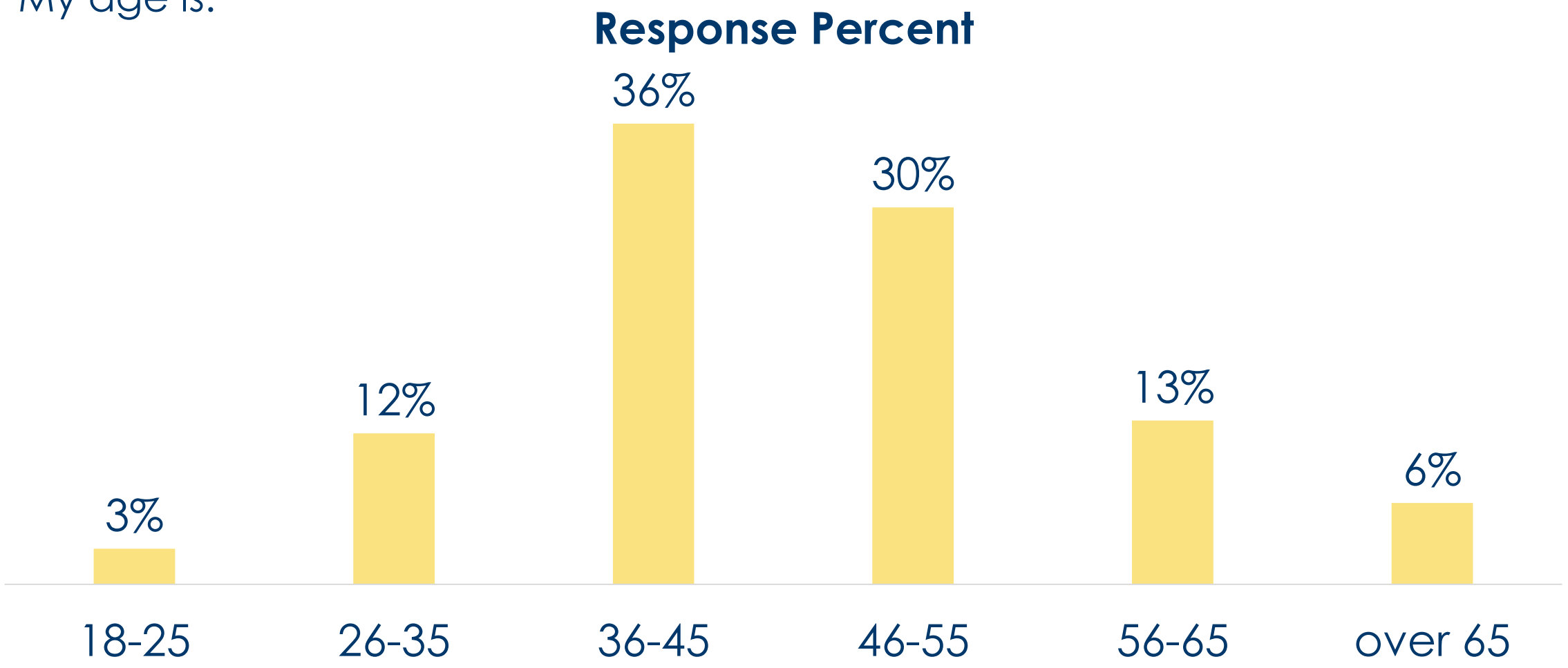

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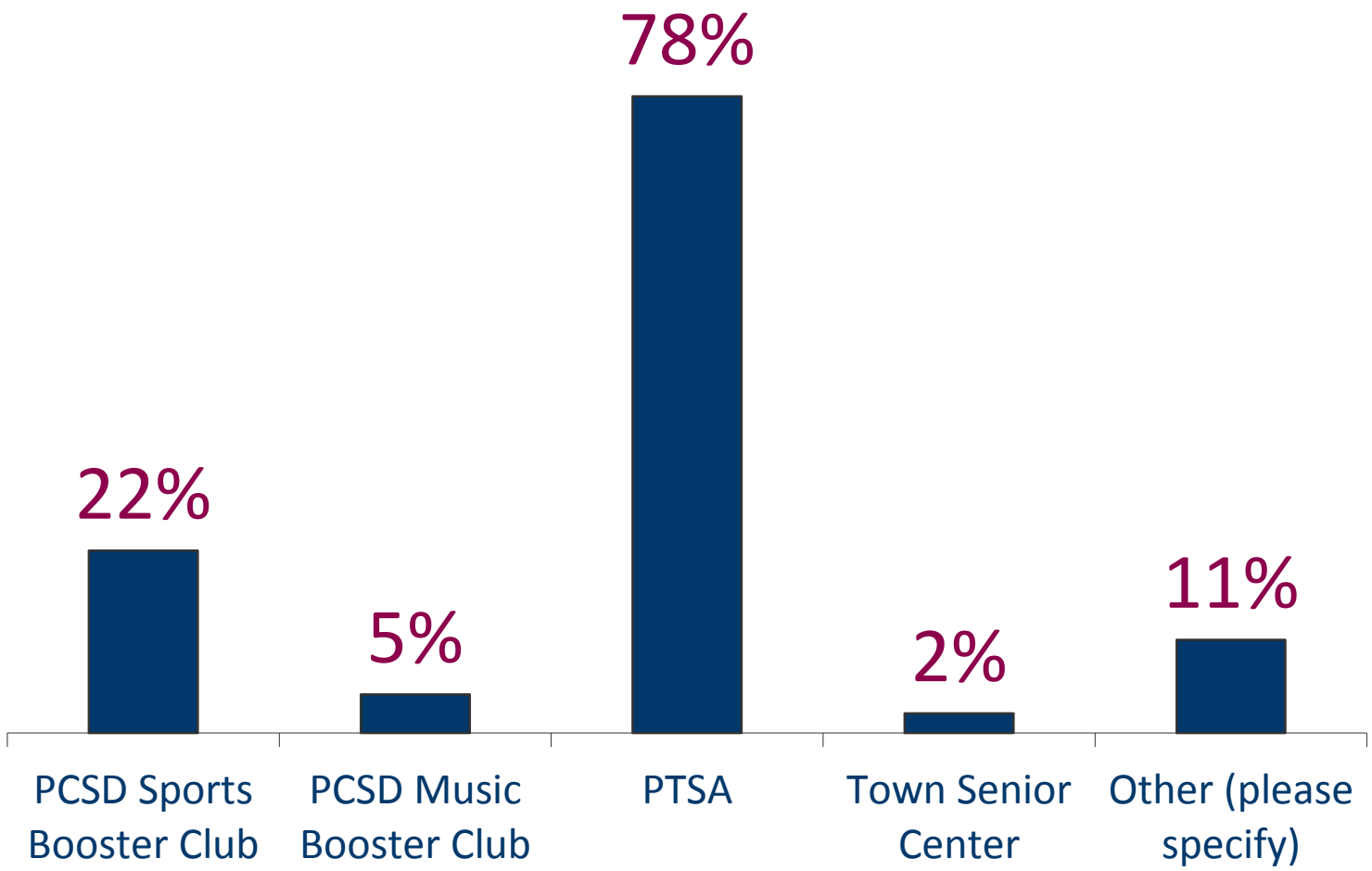

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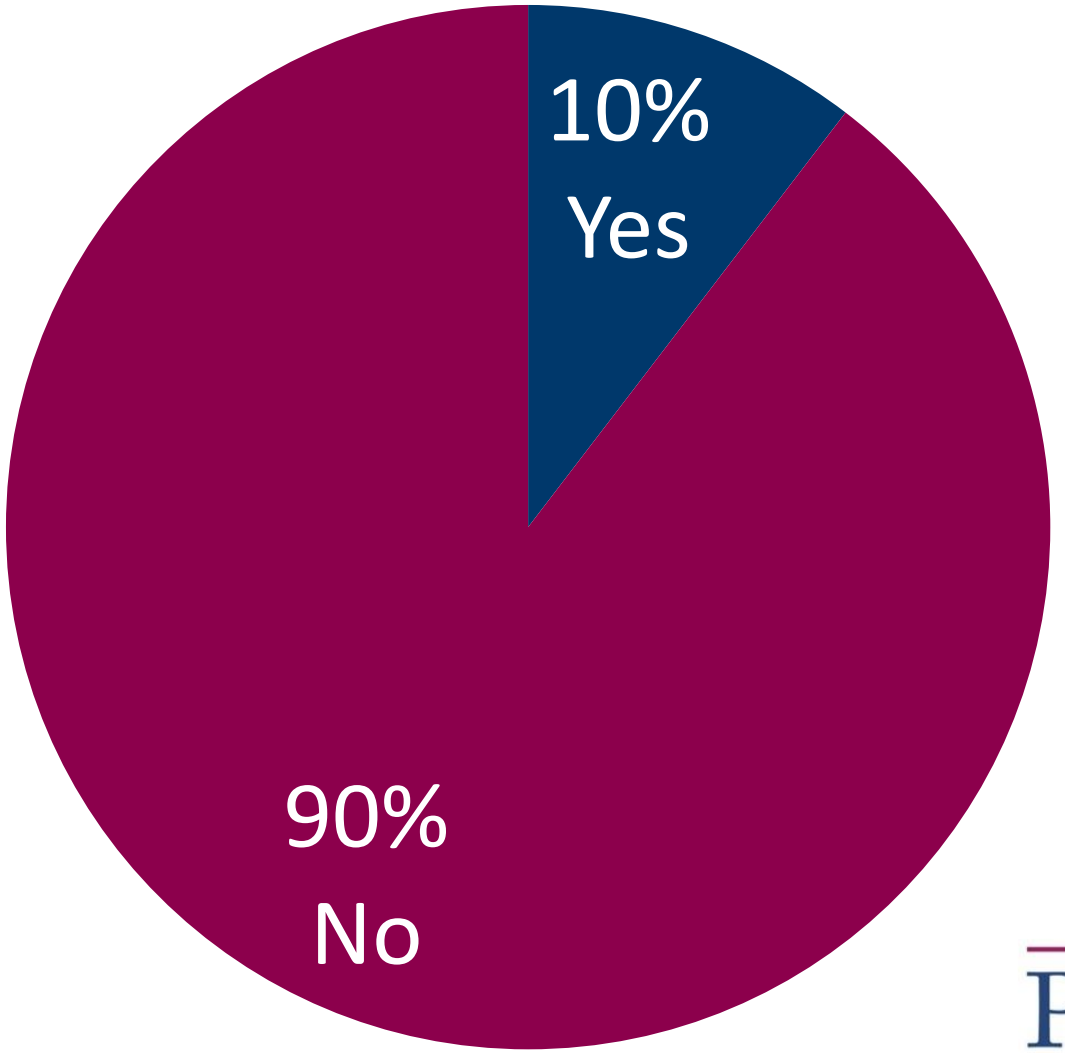

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2053 Responses

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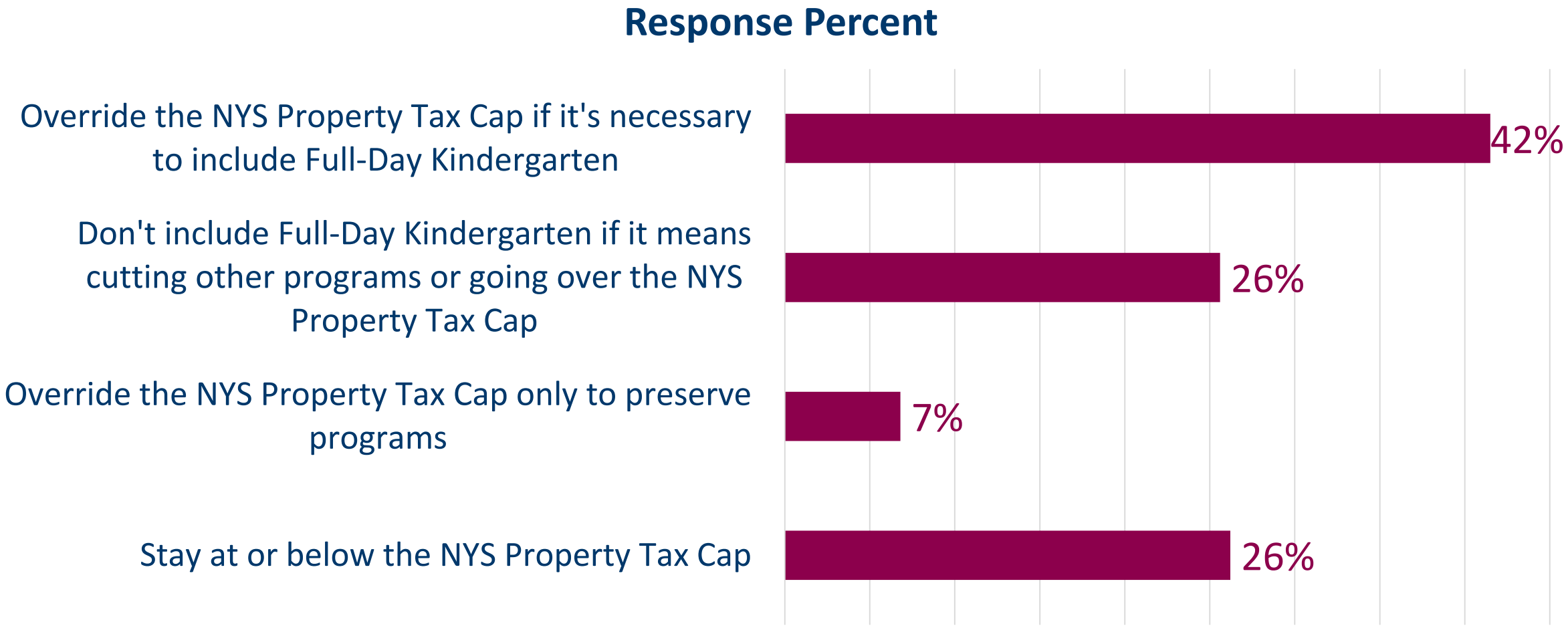
"Revote"

"What factor would most influence your support of a budget revote?"



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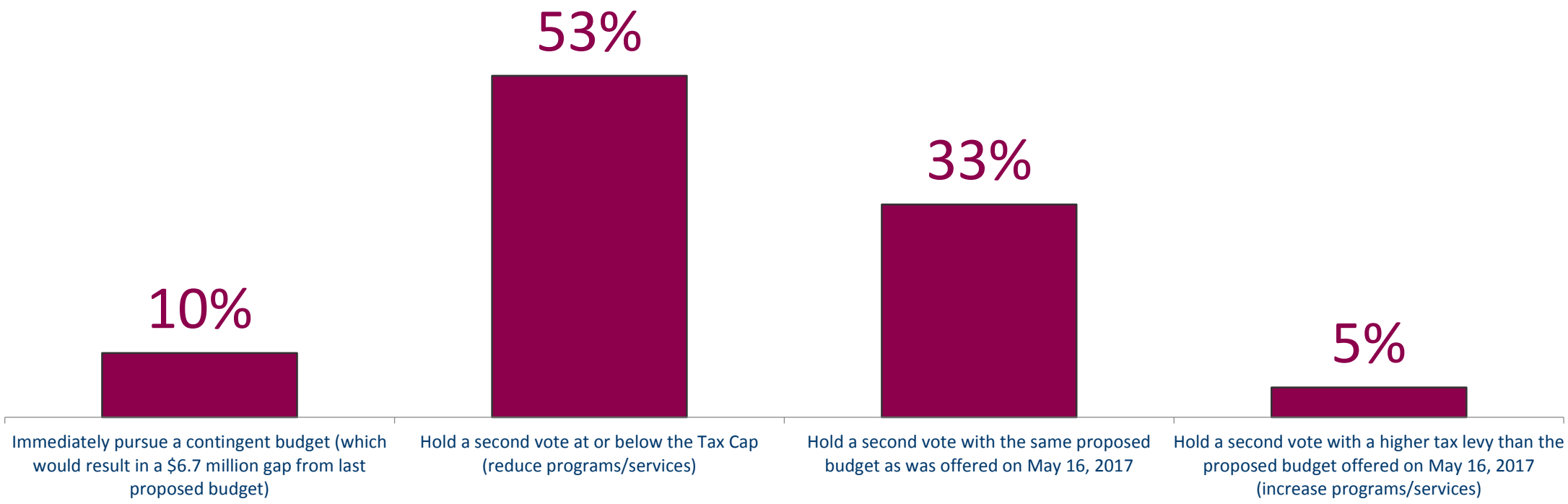
"Revote"

"For the June 20, 2017 revote, which course of action would you suggest the Board of Education follow?"



Question #9
1955 Responses

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Comments

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Question #10
993 Responses

Trend	Count
Community supports FDK	222
Stay within *Tax Cap*	130
Against FDK (No matter what)	112
Need more communication – Transparency- Details e.g., tax increase per $1,000	93
Support FDK - FDK within tax cap	65
“Other Ideas to cut the budget” e.g., eliminate paid PD	54
Cut Administrative Costs/Benefits e.g., cut administrators or benefits	45
Support FDK and cut other programs to make it happen	45
N/A or "no answer"	41
Support FDK - academics over athletics	39
Keep current programs	38
Communication & Long Range Planning	30
Voted Yes (only comment listed)	29
Support FDK - Slow Implementation of FDK- pilot or lottery program	25
Create a better survey next year	23
Same budget should be presented	20
We need more communication to combat misinformation, e.g., are we closing certain schools	19
Support FDK – “Will vote no if not in budget”	18
Survey Question 9- Need more options (Revote Option)	17
Unbundle FDK from the general budget	15
More communication relative to what a contingency budget would look like	14
Exceed *Tax Cap* by less of a percentage	13
Voting process- too busy, too long	12
Support FDK but cut it to pass the budget	11
Support FDK with no cuts to other programs	11

2017-2018 Budget Guidelines

IMPORTANT - Due to the importance of each guideline, the following bullets are NOT listed in a specific prioritized order.

Develop a Student based budget focused on:
- *Implementation of rigorous, engaging and authentic curriculum, instruction and assessments*
- *Providing experiences, both curricular and extracurricular, that supports the varied interests of the whole child*
- *Integration of data systems that allows for easy and timely accessibility of data for teachers, administrators, students and families*
- *Hiring and Retaining employees of the highest quality*

Provide High Quality Professional Development focused on:
- *Strategic Initiative*
- *Curriculum, assessment and instruction*
- *Social and Emotional learning*
- *Continuous improvement for instructional and non-instructional staff members*

Manage the impact of investment in education with sensitivity to limited community resources by:
- *Seeking new sources of revenue*
- *Balancing community expectations for services and programs, while being cognizant of changes in property values, income levels, and economic uncertainties*
- *Seeking cost efficiencies to further address the costly impact of unfunded mandates*

Provide for fiscal stability into the future through:
- *Maintaining financially prudent and sustainable reserve accounts*
- *Protecting and maintaining our Aa1 bond rating*
- *Protecting the community's investment in facilities and infrastructure*
- *Advocacy with legislators relative to appropriate levels of funding*

Meet legal mandates and contractual obligations

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