

SAU70 2022 Strategic Planning Survey
June 2022: Ray School Only

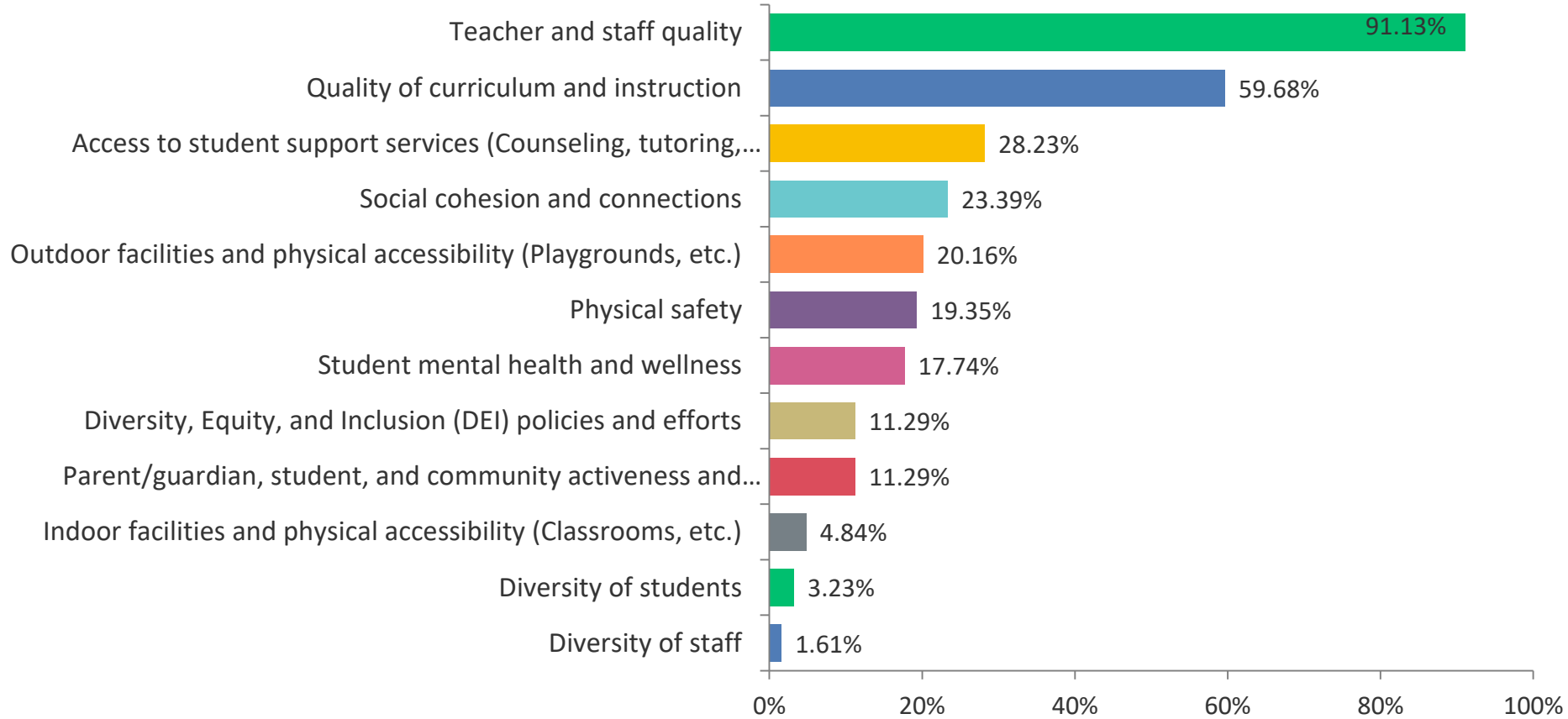
Strategic Planning Survey: 503 responses: 124 specific to Ray

- June 2022 survey sent out to parents, staff, and the community
- Open for multiple weeks until July 1st with multiple reminders from Superintendent
- 47-Item survey
- Participants invited to put in their personal information and be contacted by the Superintendent and his staff; these follow-up meetings (n=40) occurred in summer and fall 2022
- Items included 12 free-text response questions; see next slide for summary
- Sample shorter responses included on these slides per question
- Redacted (to eliminate potentially identifiable information) free-text responses will be available separately; 90-page PDF; Ray 22-page PDF
 - Free-text responses similar to “no”, “NA”, etc. were removed

	Question	Subject	Comments	Specific	Ray	
Survey Count: All 503 Ray 124	2	Aspects Valued	187	117	30	
	4	Challenges	251	194	33	
	21	Assessments	222	161	29	
	23	Academic	212	153	24	
	25	Student Support	176	99	16	
	27	During School	188	107	27	
	29	Outside School	155	72	14	
	31	Physical Environment	191	117	34	
	33	Transportation	179	109	24	
	35	Sustainability	150	65	11	
	37	5-Year Initiatives	172	99	17	
	46	What We Missed	167	103	28	
	Totals		2,250	1,396	287	3

Q1: Which current aspects do you value the most about our SAU70 schools? Please choose up to three of the most important answers for you.

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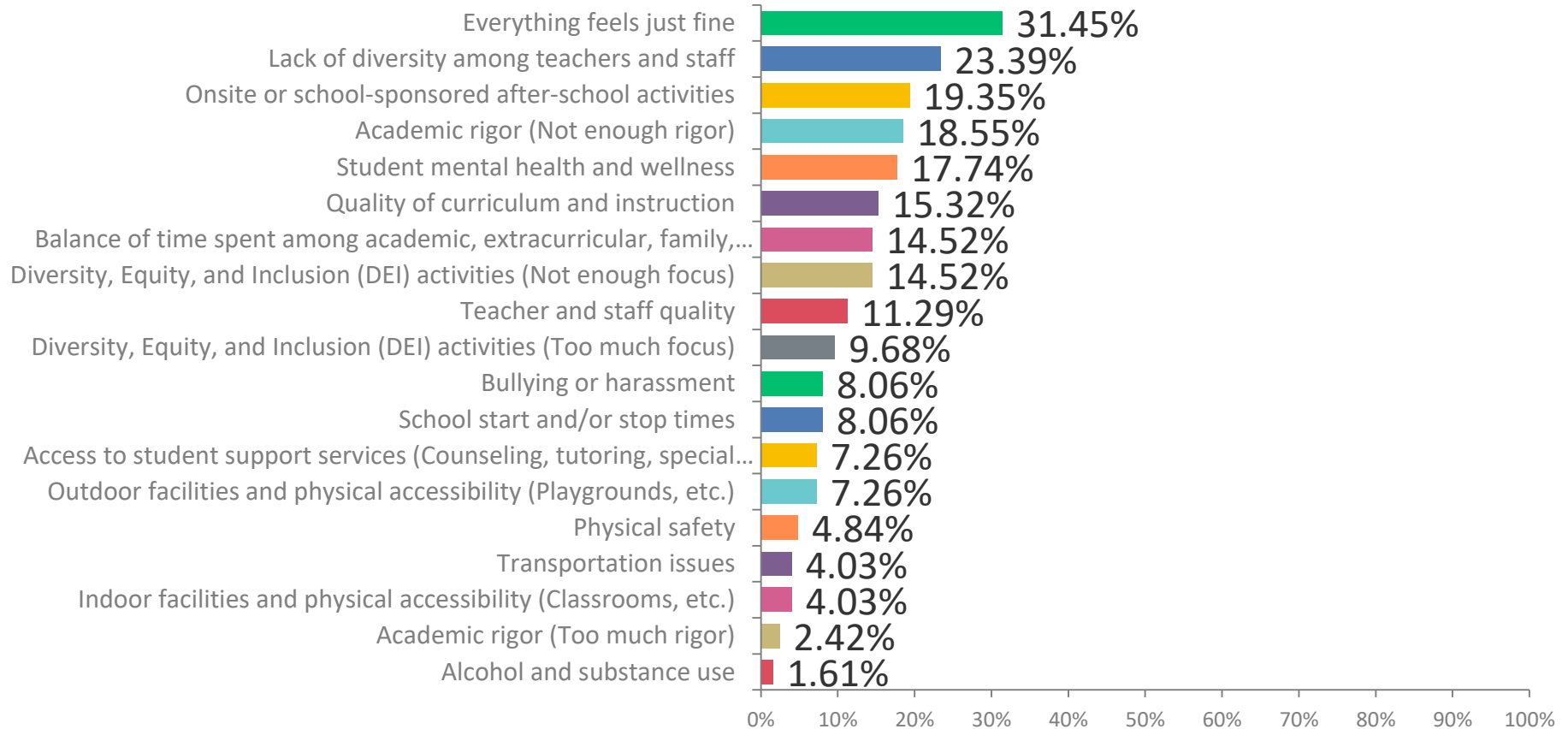


Q1: Which current aspects do you value the most about our SAU70 schools? Please choose up to three of the most important answers for you. Answered: 124 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Teacher and staff quality	91.13%	113
Quality of curriculum and instruction	59.68%	74
Access to student support services (Counseling, tutoring, special education, etc.)	28.23%	35
Social cohesion and connections	23.39%	29
Outdoor facilities and physical accessibility (Playgrounds, etc.)	20.16%	25
Physical safety	19.35%	24
Student mental health and wellness	17.74%	22
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) policies and efforts	11.29%	14
Parent/guardian, student, and community activeness and participation	11.29%	14
Indoor facilities and physical accessibility (Classrooms, etc.)	4.84%	6
Diversity of students	3.23%	4
Diversity of staff	1.61%	2
TOTAL		362

Q3: What are the biggest current challenges adversely affecting quality of life in our SAU70 schools? Please choose up to three of the most important answers for you.

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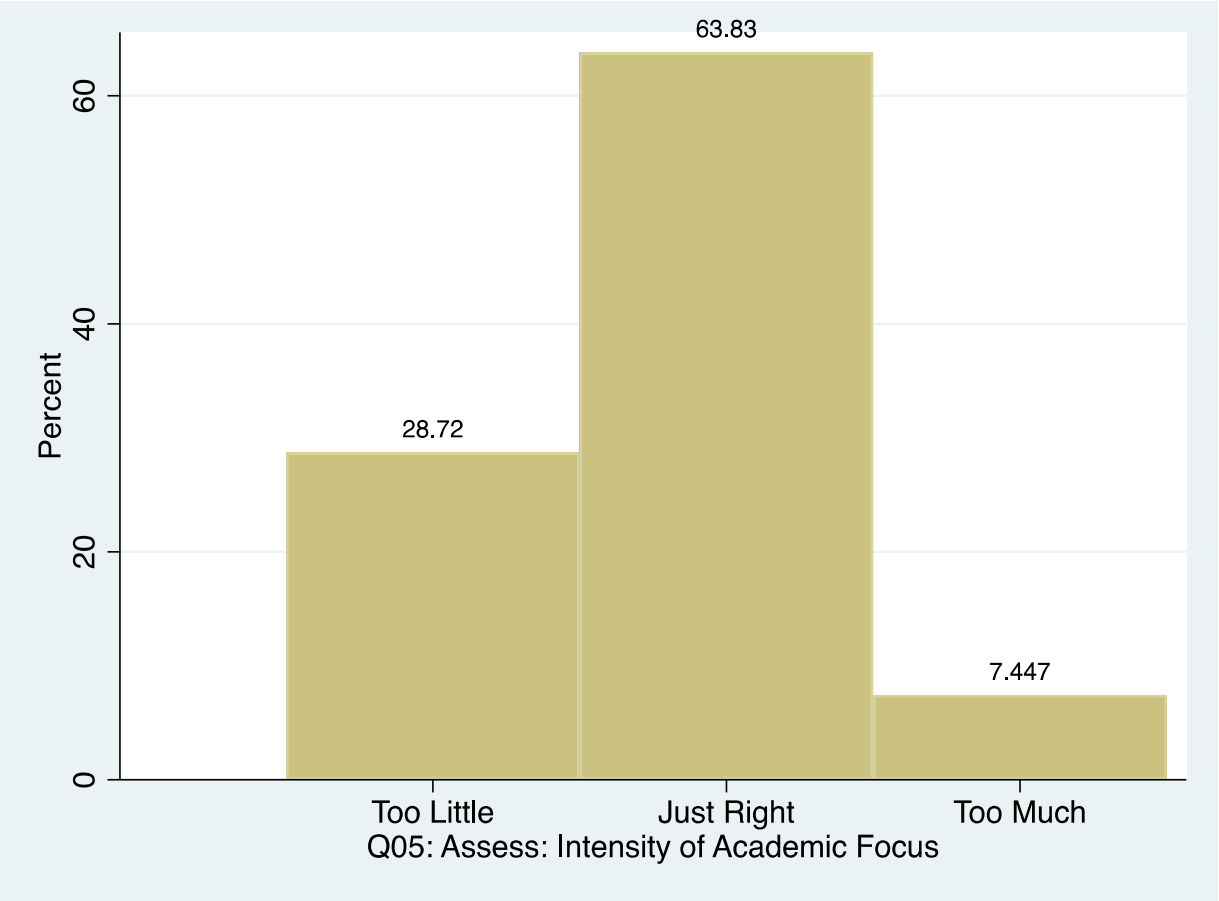


Q3: What are the biggest current challenges adversely affecting quality of life in our SAU70 schools? Please choose up to three of the most important answers for you. Answered: 124 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Everything feels just fine	31.45%	39
Lack of diversity among teachers and staff	23.39%	29
Onsite or school-sponsored after-school activities	19.35%	24
Academic rigor (Not enough rigor)	18.55%	23
Student mental health and wellness	17.74%	22
Quality of curriculum and instruction	15.32%	19
Balance of time spent among academic, extracurricular, family, and personal activities	14.52%	18
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) activities (Not enough focus)	14.52%	18
Teacher and staff quality	11.29%	14
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) activities (Too much focus)	9.68%	12
Bullying or harassment	8.06%	10
School start and/or stop times	8.06%	10
Access to student support services (Counseling, tutoring, special education, etc.)	7.26%	9
Outdoor facilities and physical accessibility (Playgrounds, etc.)	7.26%	9
Physical safety	4.84%	6
Transportation issues	4.03%	5
Indoor facilities and physical accessibility (Classrooms, etc.)	4.03%	5
Academic rigor (Too much rigor)	2.42%	3
Alcohol and substance use	1.61%	2

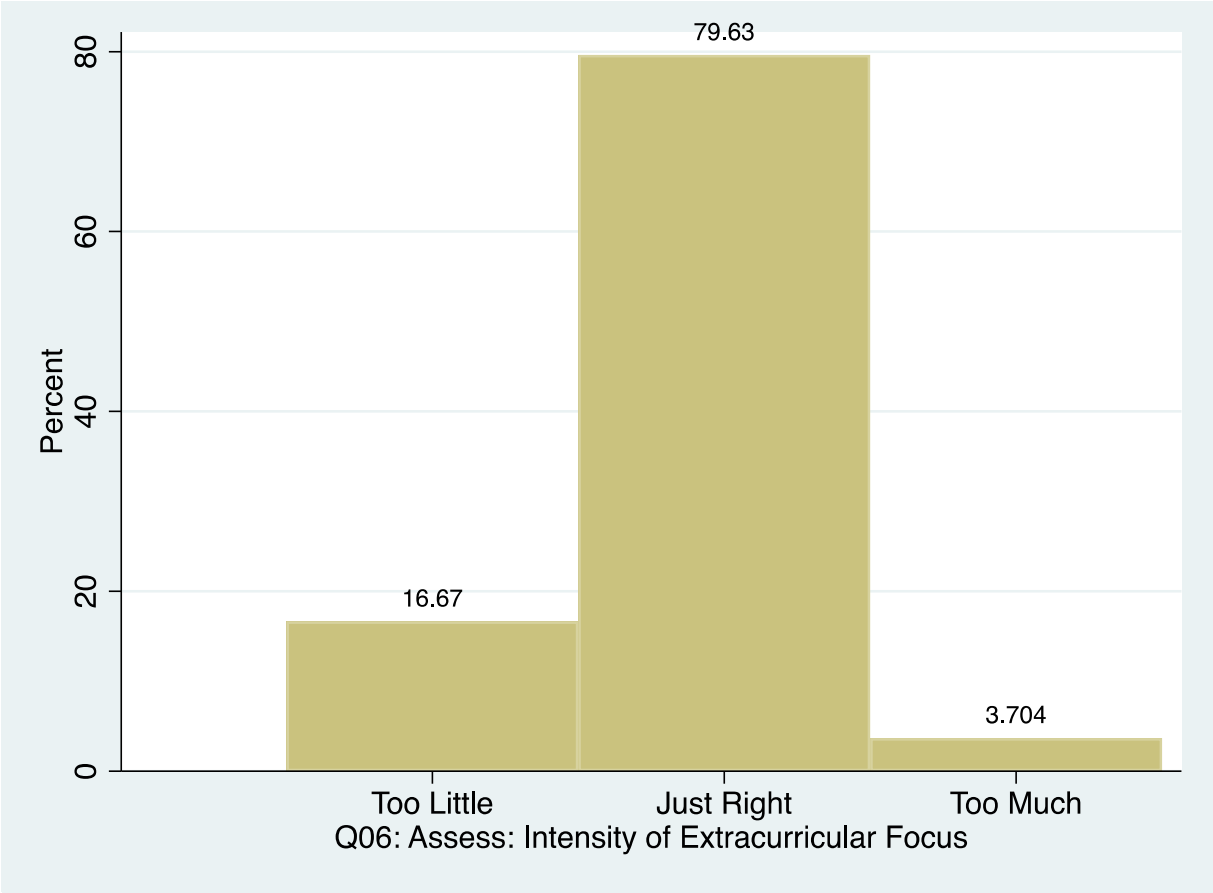
Q5: Please assess this aspect of our schools. Please click on one of the three options. Intensity of academic focus

Answered: 94 Skipped: 30



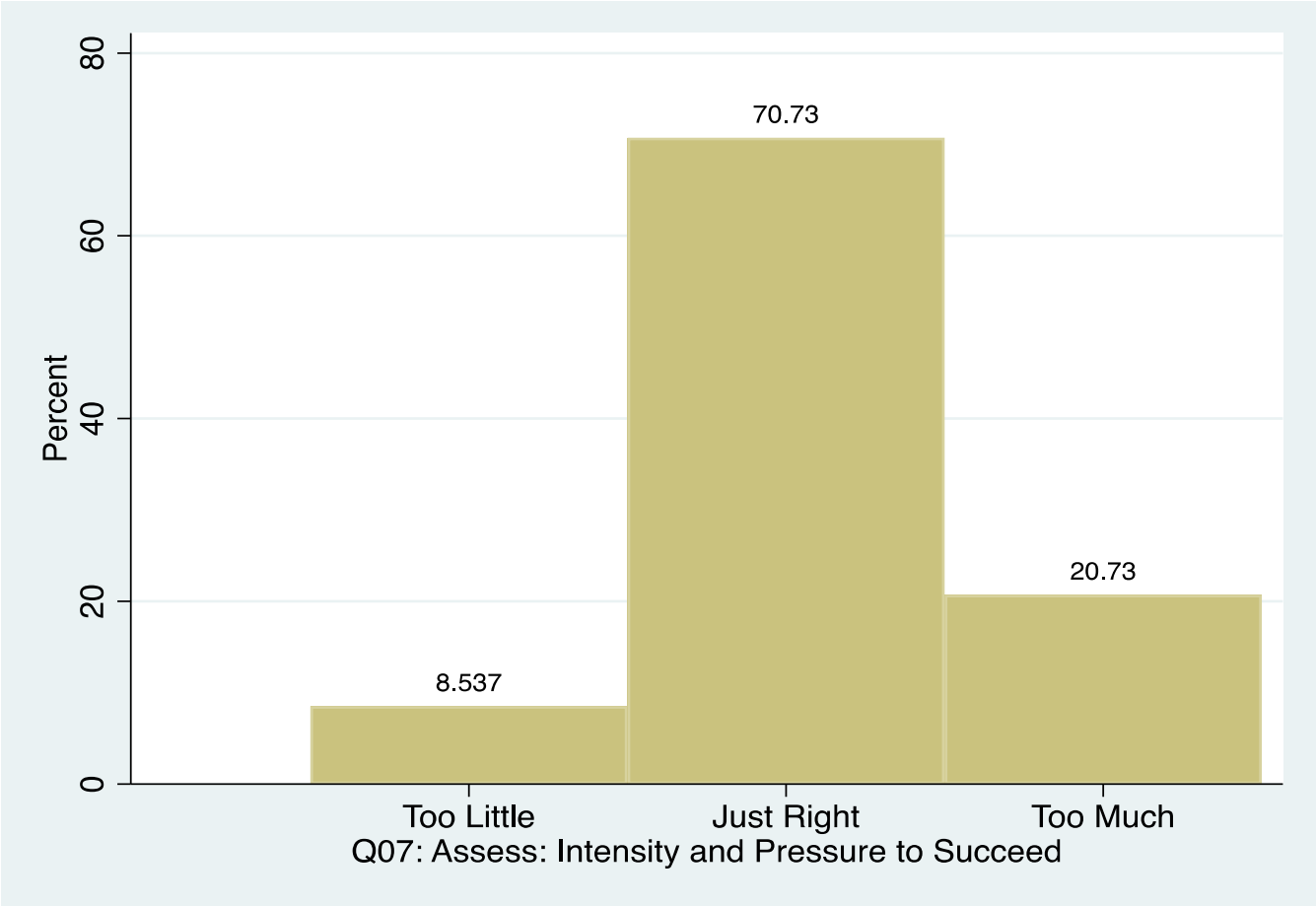
Q6: Please assess this aspect of our schools. Please click on one of the three options. Intensity of extracurricular activities, such as athletics and theater

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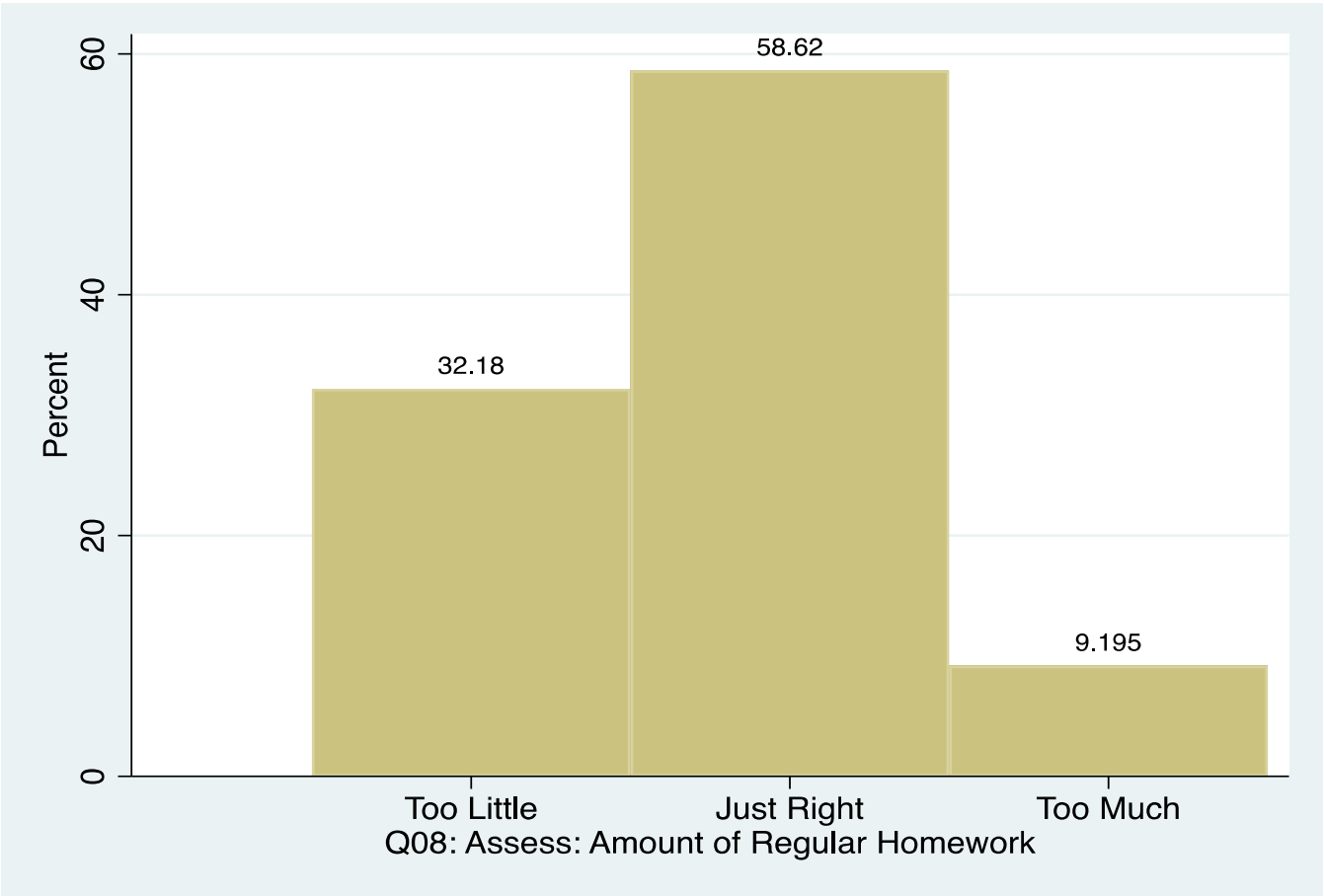
Q7: Please assess this aspect of our schools. Please click on one of the three options. Intensity and pressure to succeed

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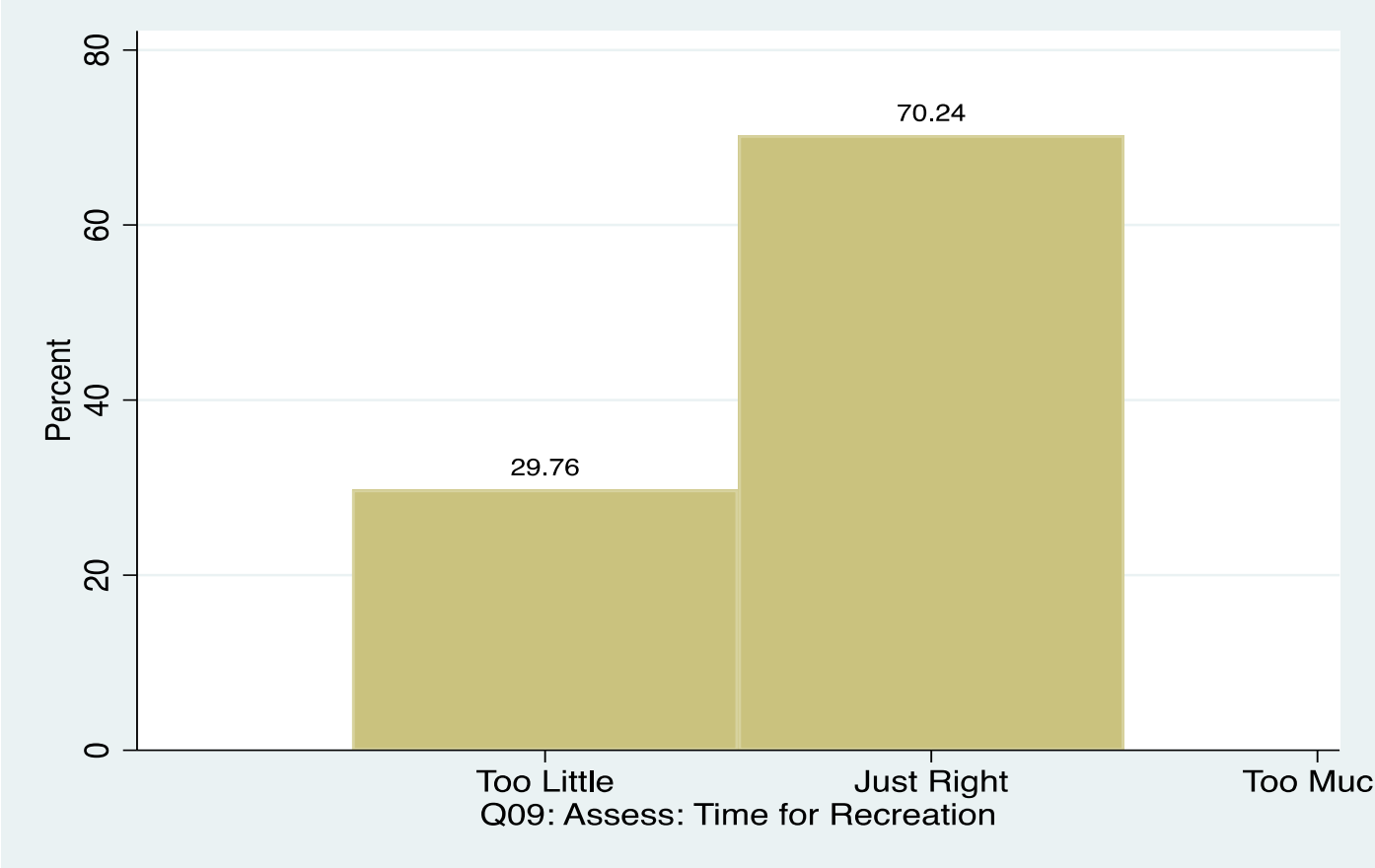
Q8: Please assess this aspect of our schools. Please click on one of the three options.Amount of regular homework

Answered: 87 Skipped: 37



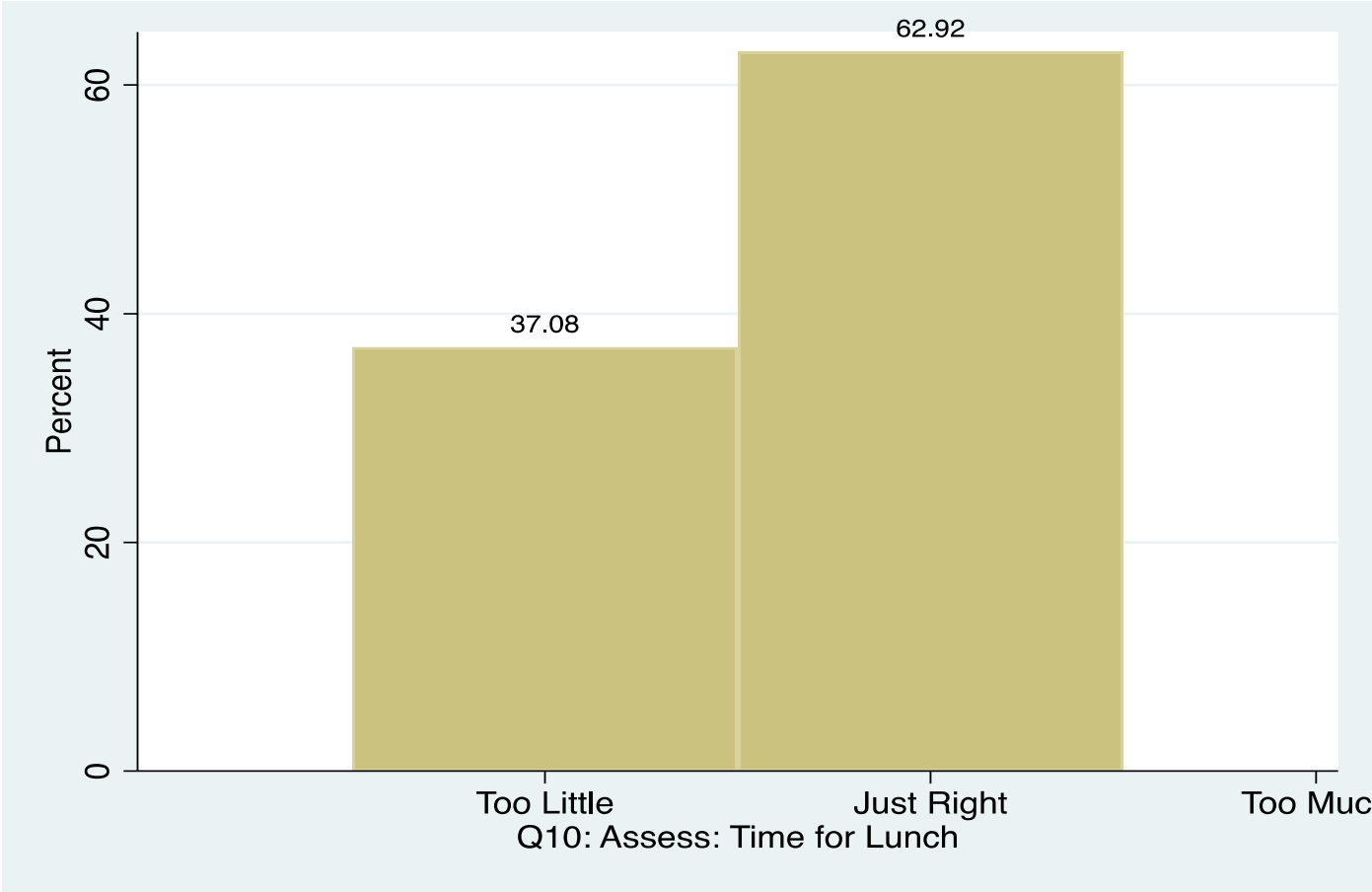
Q9: Please assess this aspect of our schools. Please click on one of the three options. Time availability for playground/recess/recreation, etc.

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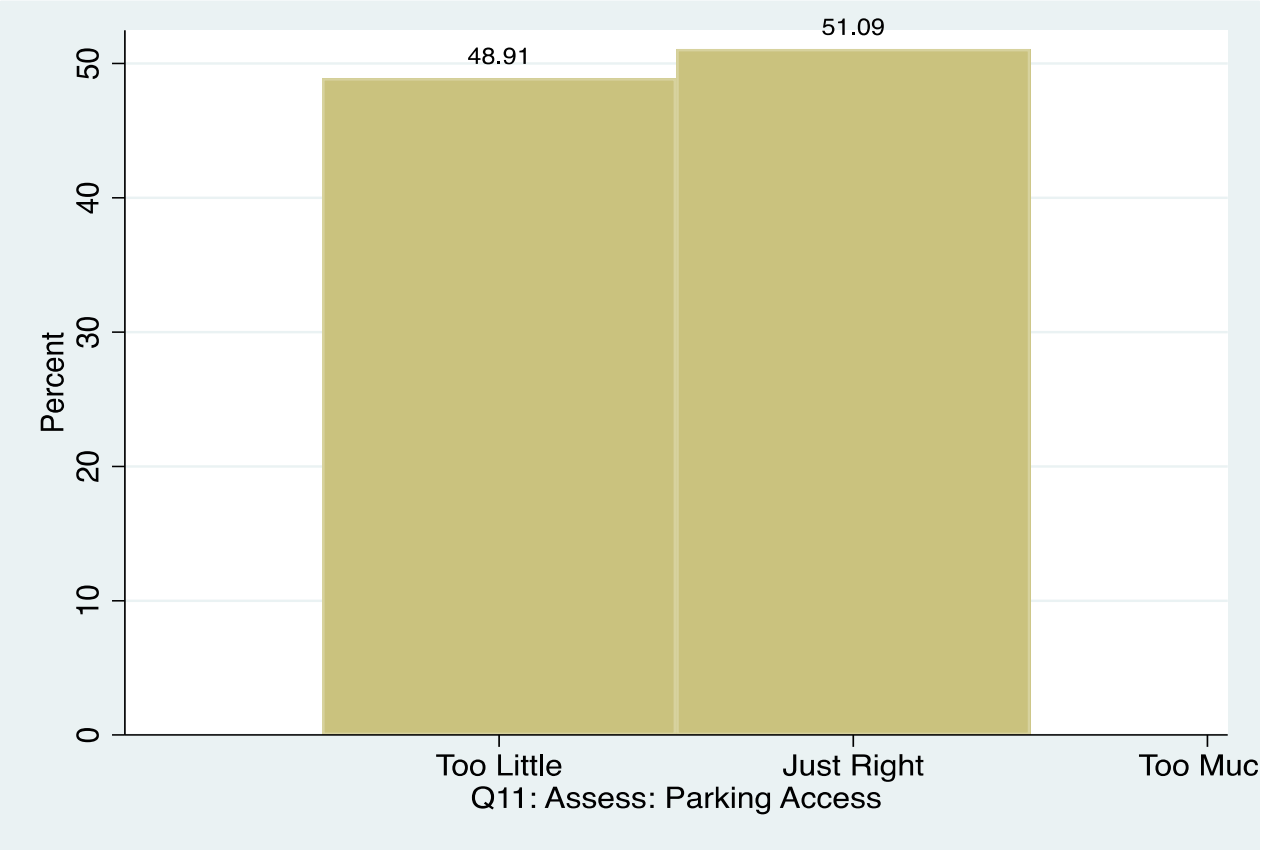
Q10: Please assess this aspect of our schools. Please click on one of the three options. Time availability for lunch

Answered: 89 Skipped: 35



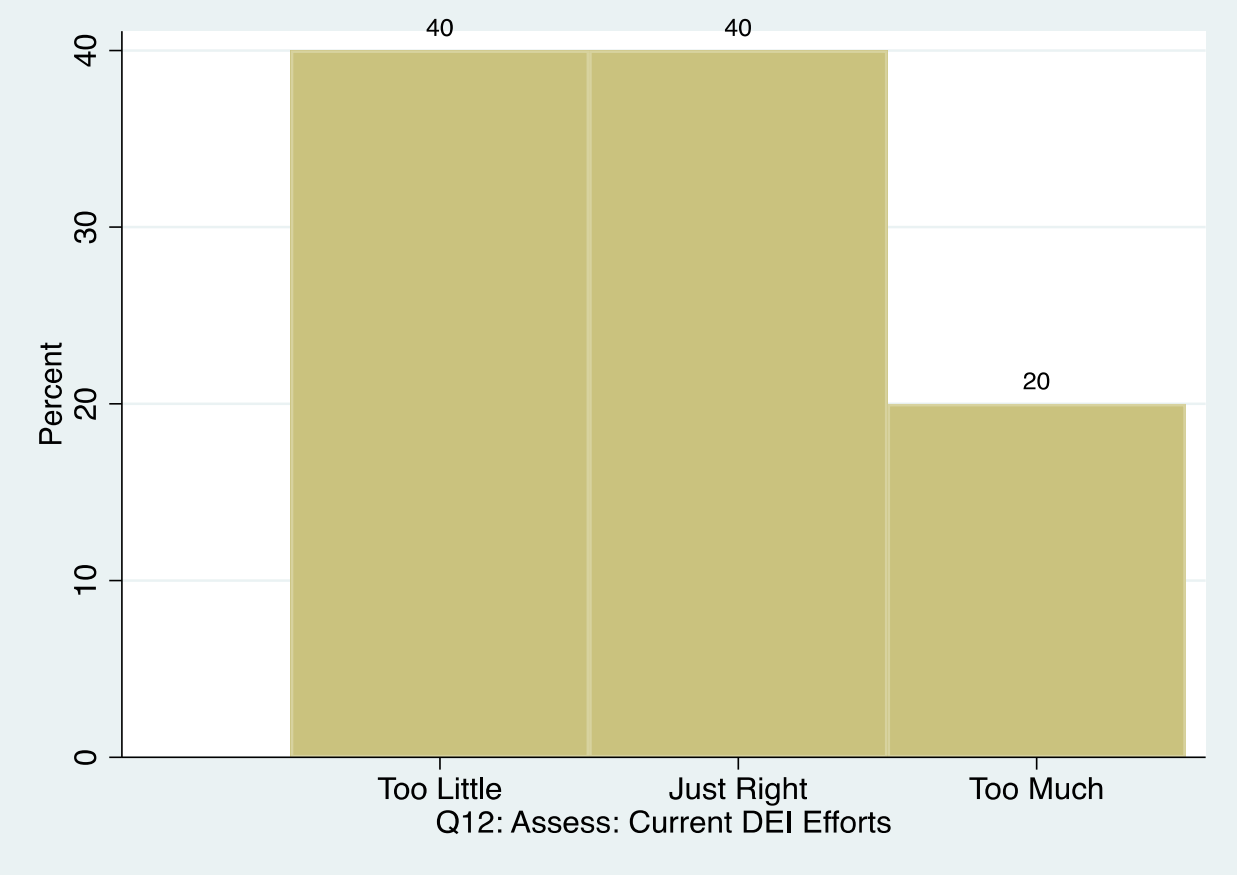
Q11: Please assess this aspect of our schools. Please click on one of the three options. Parking access and availability when needed

Answered: 92 Skipped: 32



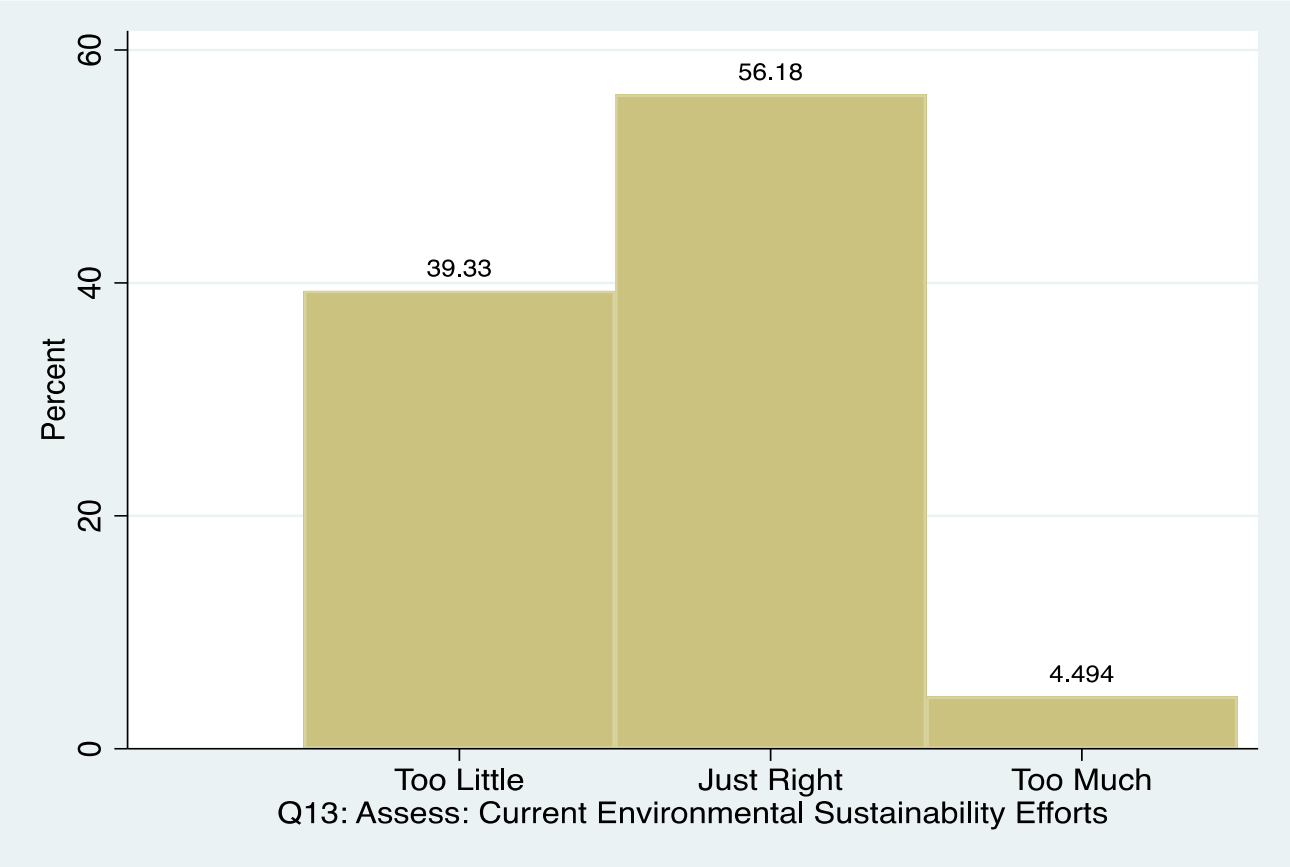
Q12: Please assess this aspect of our schools. Please click on one of the three options. Current Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) efforts

Answered: 90 Skipped: 34



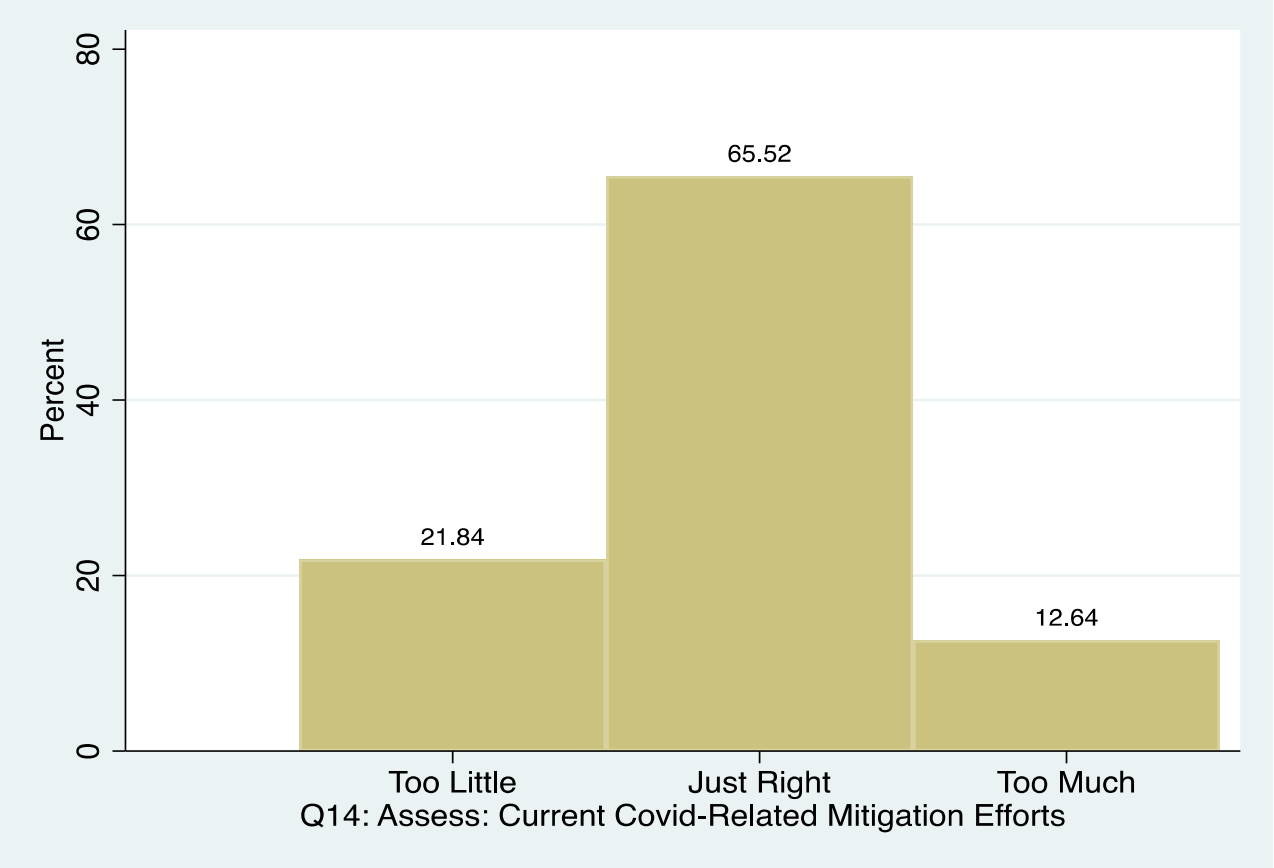
Q13: Please assess this aspect of our schools. Please click one of the three options. **Current environmental sustainability efforts**

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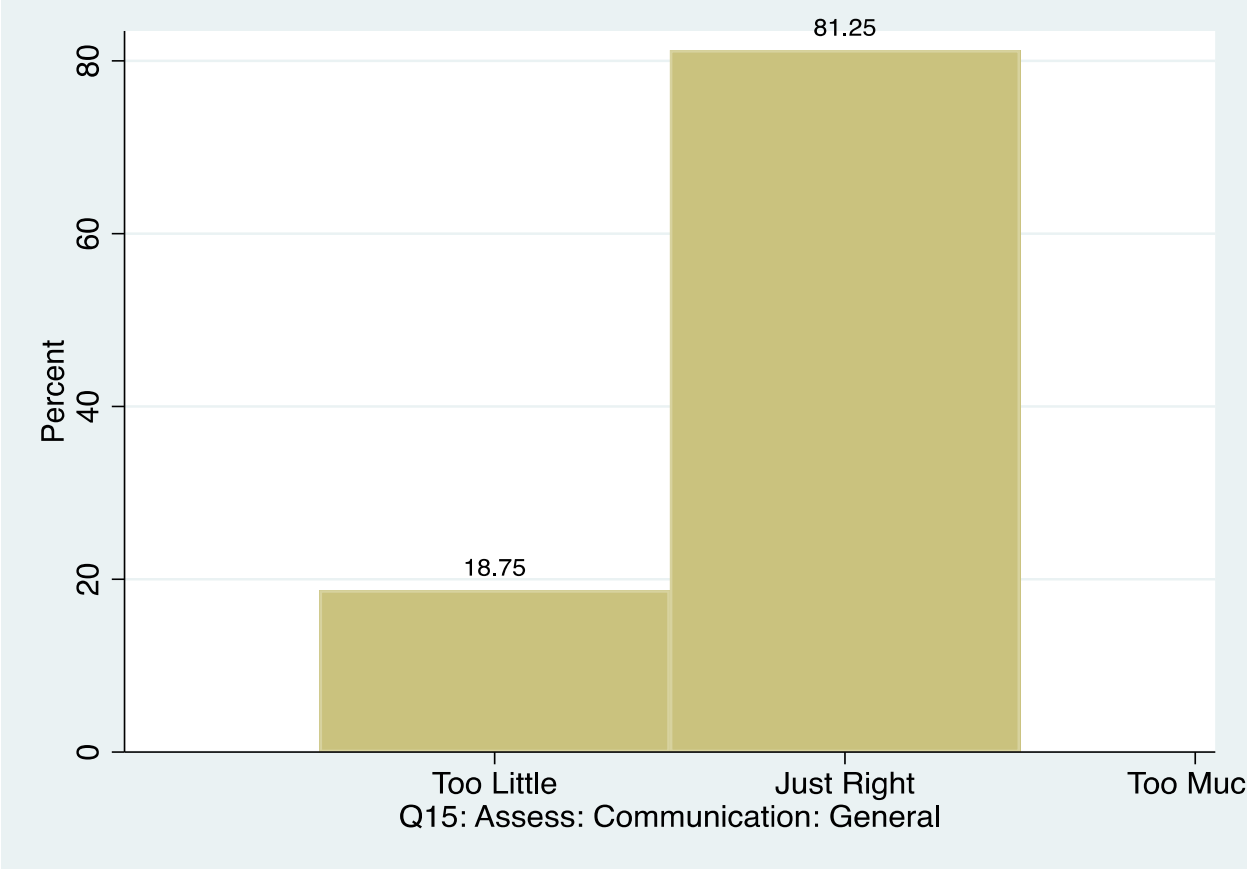
Q14: Please assess this aspect of our schools. Please click one of the three options.
Current Covid-related mitigation efforts

Answered: 87 Skipped: 37



Q15: Please assess this aspect of our schools. Please click one of the three options.

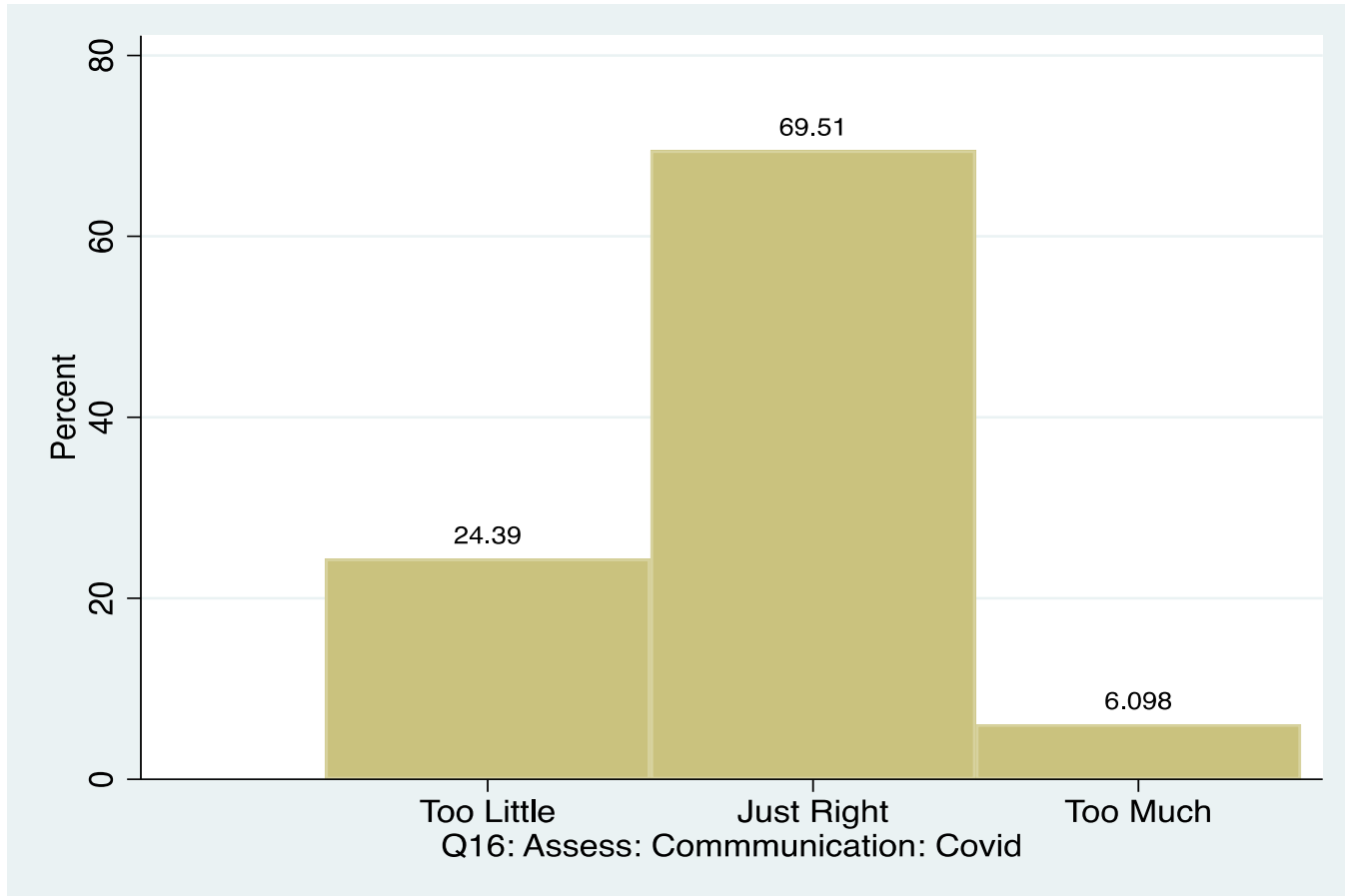
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Q16: Please assess this aspect of our schools. Please click one of the three options.

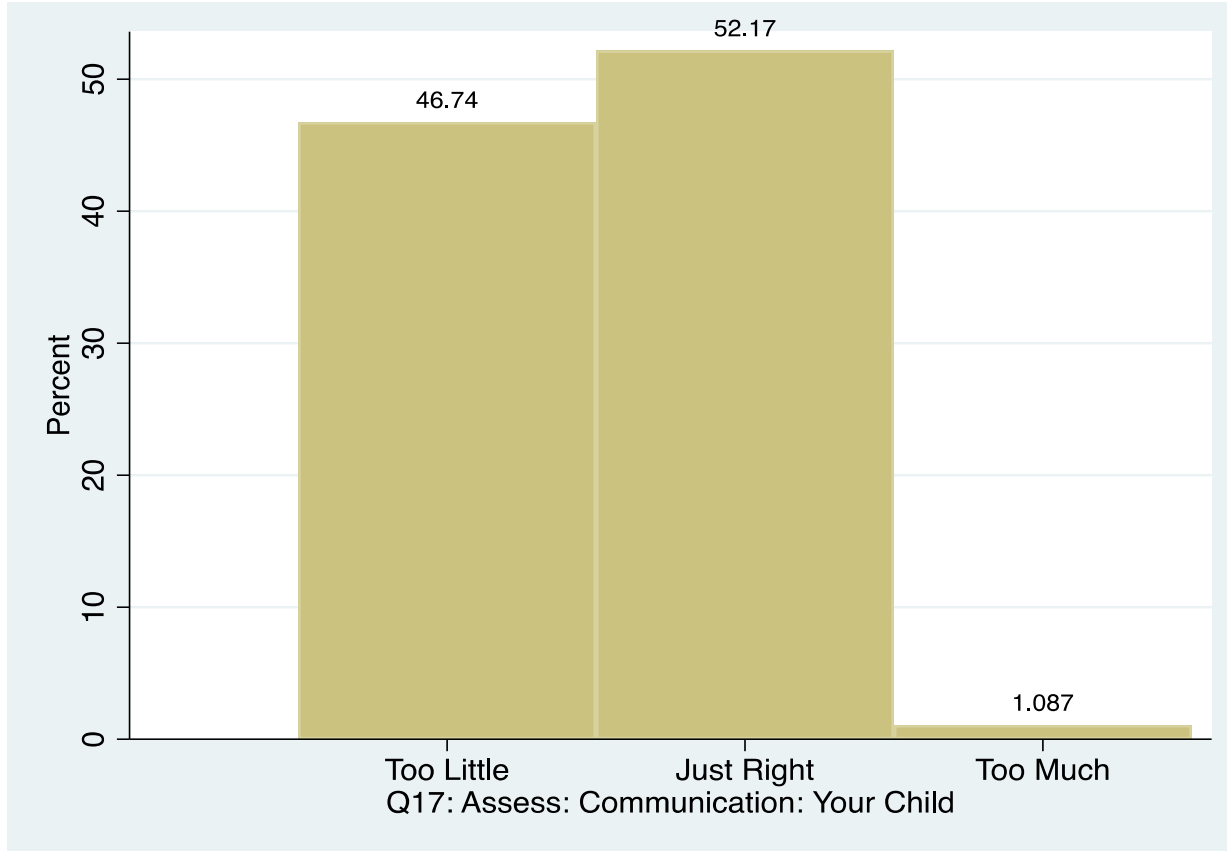
Amount of Covid-related communication from the schools and staff

Answered: 82 Skipped: 42



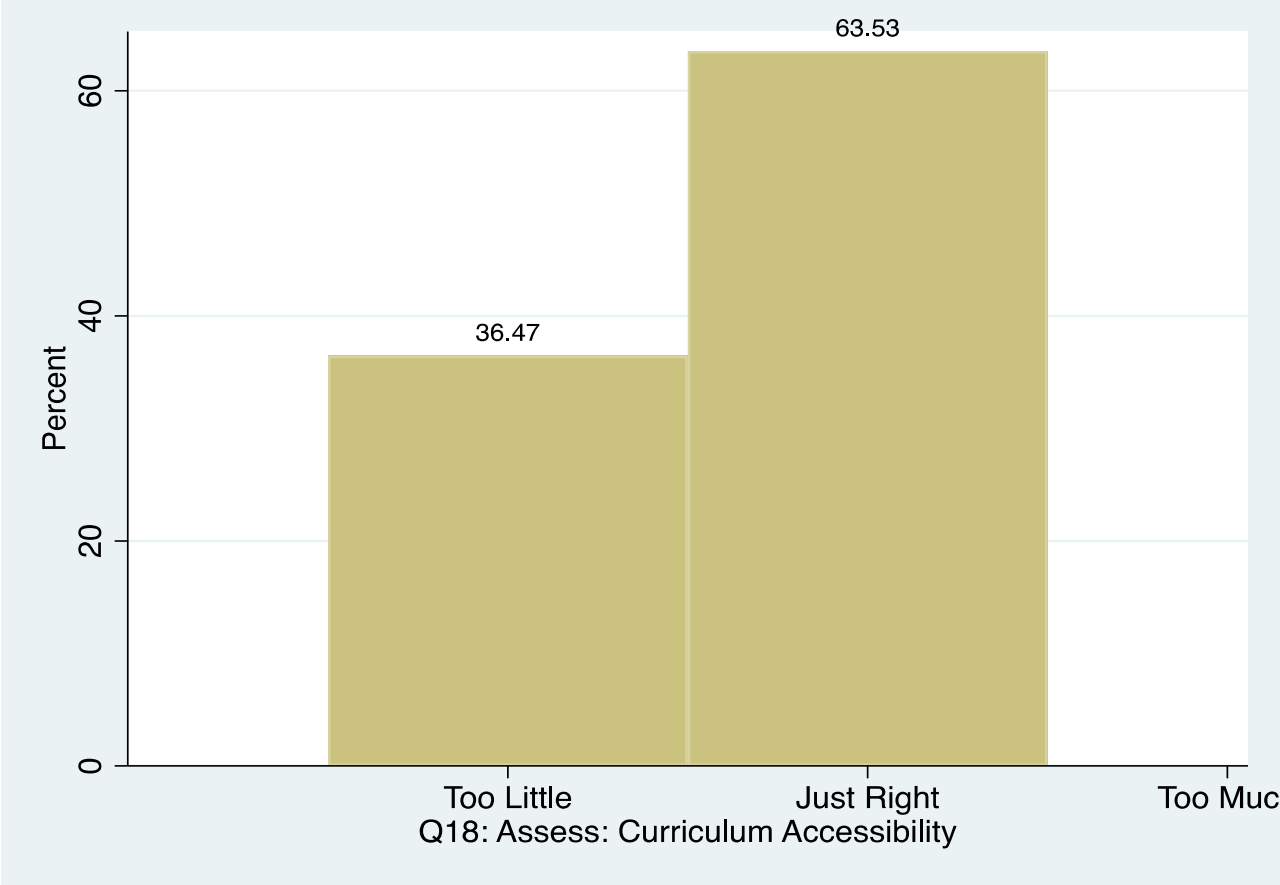
Q17: Please assess this aspect of our schools. Please click one of the three options.
Amount of communication from the schools and staff specifically about your child

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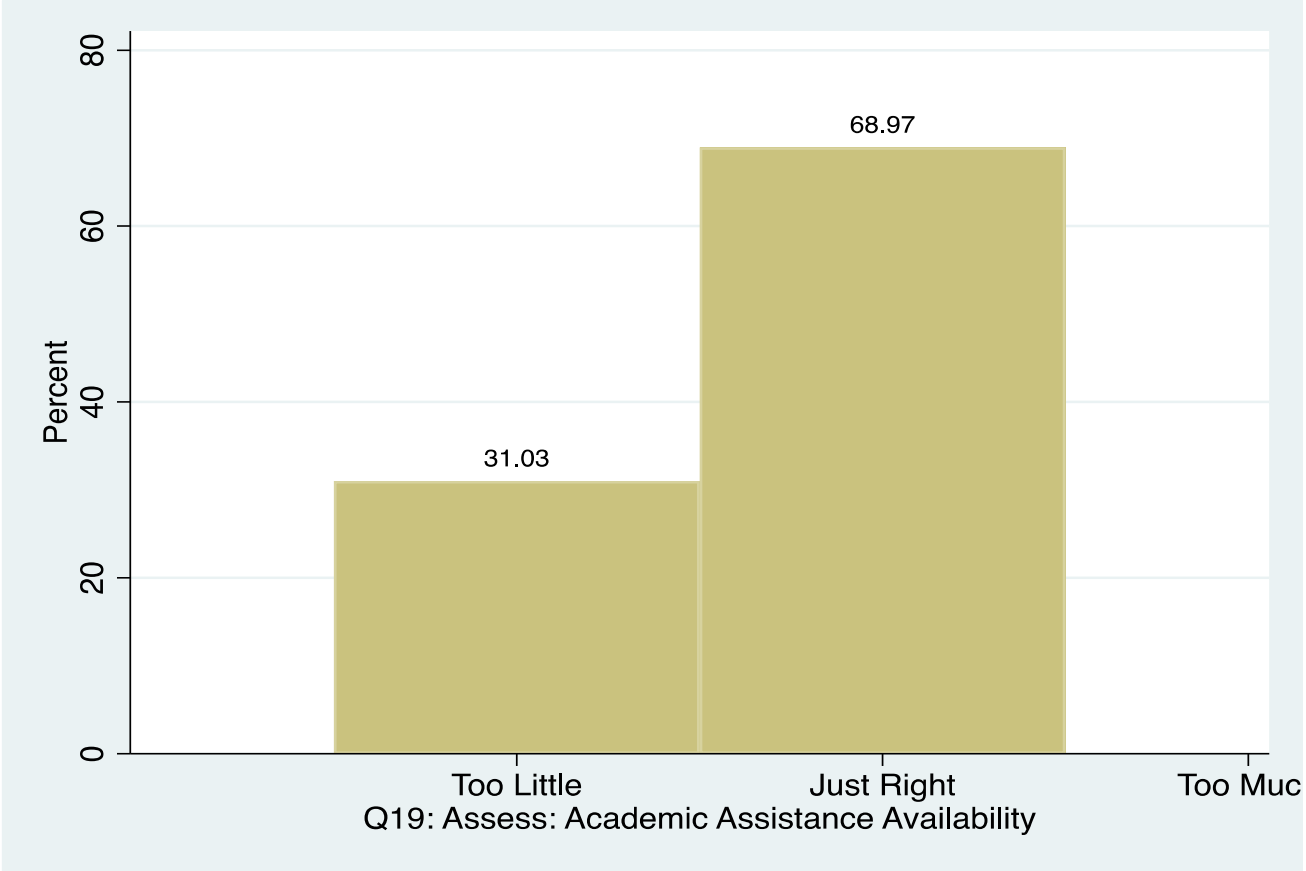
Q18: Please assess this aspect of our schools. Please click one of the three options. **Accessibility of curriculum and other resources**

Answered: 85 Skipped: 39



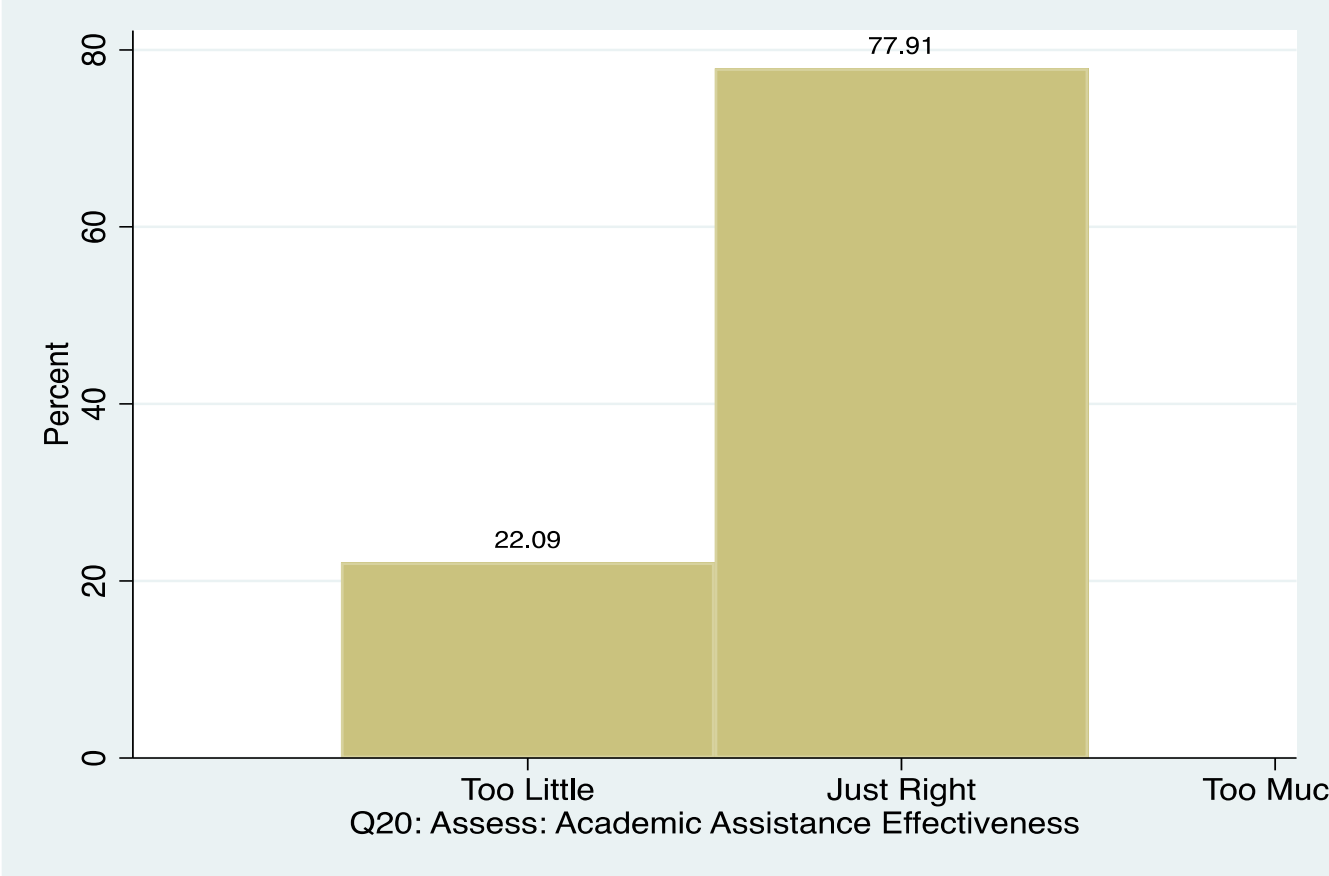
Q19: Please assess this aspect of our schools. Please click one of the three options. Availability of additional academic assistance

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Q20: Please assess this aspect of our schools. Please click one of the three options. Effectiveness of additional academic assistance

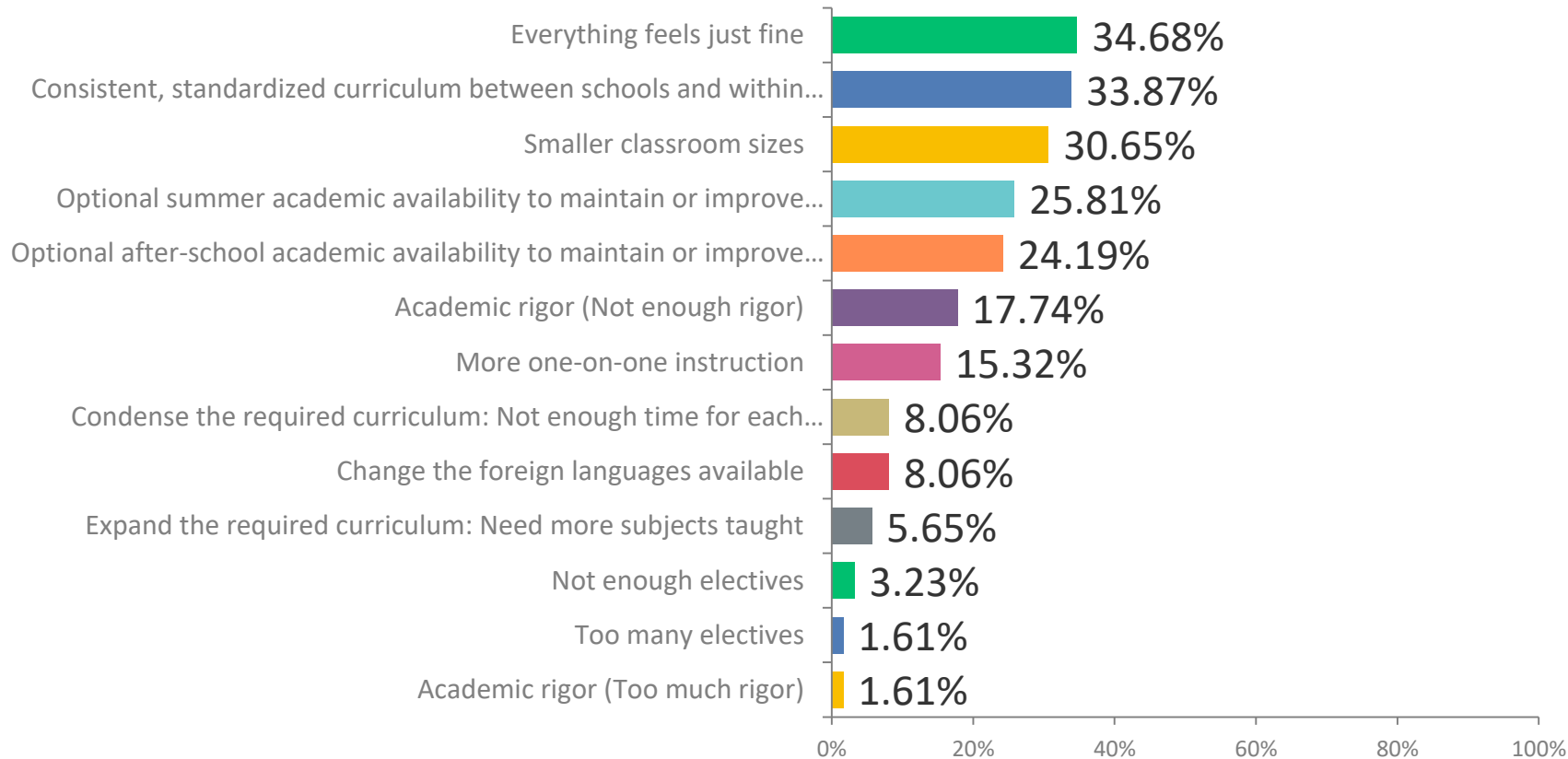
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Q22: What are the current most pressing academic needs within our schools?

Please choose up to three of the most important answers for you.

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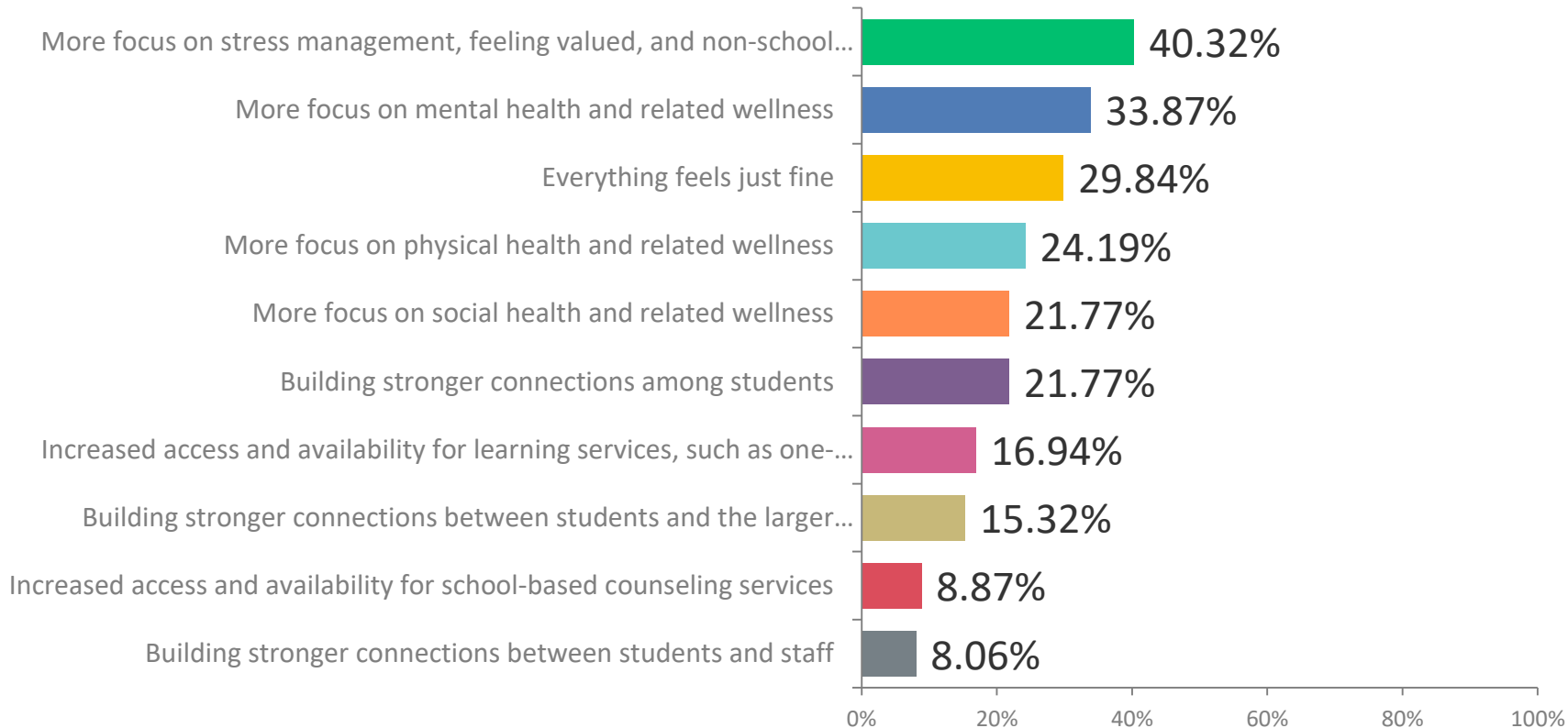
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Answered: 124 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Everything feels just fine	34.68%	43
Consistent, standardized curriculum between schools and within grades and subjects	33.87%	42
Smaller classroom sizes	30.65%	38
Optional summer academic availability to maintain or improve performance	25.81%	32
Optional after-school academic availability to maintain or improve performance	24.19%	30
Academic rigor (Not enough rigor)	17.74%	22
More one-on-one instruction	15.32%	19
Condense the required curriculum: Not enough time for each subject	8.06%	10
Change the foreign languages available	8.06%	10
Expand the required curriculum: Need more subjects taught	5.65%	7
Not enough electives	3.23%	4
Too many electives	1.61%	2
Academic rigor (Too much rigor)	1.61%	2
TOTAL		261

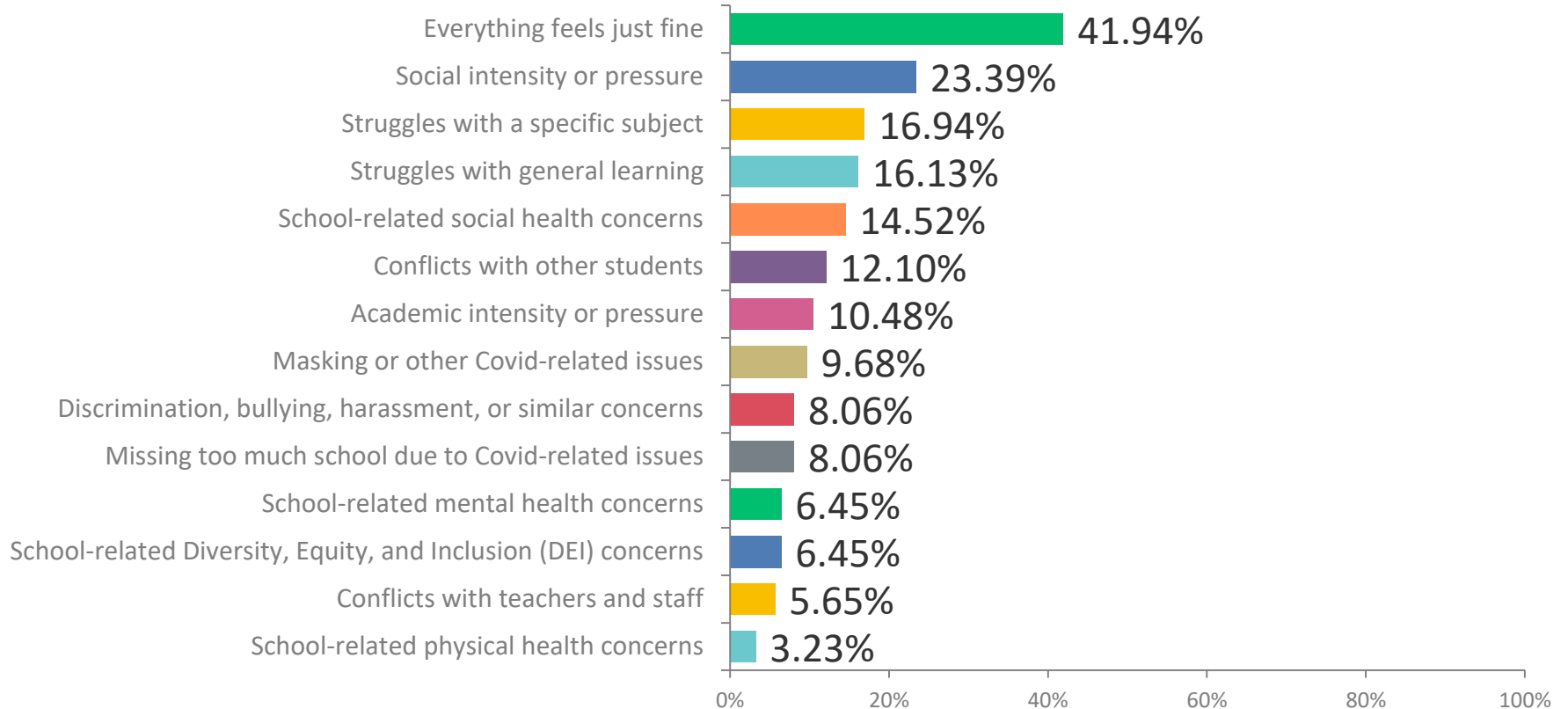
Q24: What are the current most pressing student support and service needs within our schools? Please choose up to three of the most important answers for you. Answered: 124 Skipped: 0



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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
More focus on stress management, feeling valued, and non-school life preparation	40.32%	50
More focus on mental health and related wellness	33.87%	42
Everything feels just fine	29.84%	37
More focus on physical health and related wellness	24.19%	30
More focus on social health and related wellness	21.77%	27
Building stronger connections among students	21.77%	27
Increased access and availability for learning services, such as one-on-one tutoring	16.94%	21
Building stronger connections between students and the larger community	15.32%	19
Increased access and availability for school-based counseling services	8.87%	11
Building stronger connections between students and staff	8.06%	10
TOTAL		274

Q26: What are the current most pressing concerns for your specific child during the school day? Please choose up to three of the most important answers for you. (As a reminder, please complete separate surveys for each student.) Answered: 124 Skipped: 0

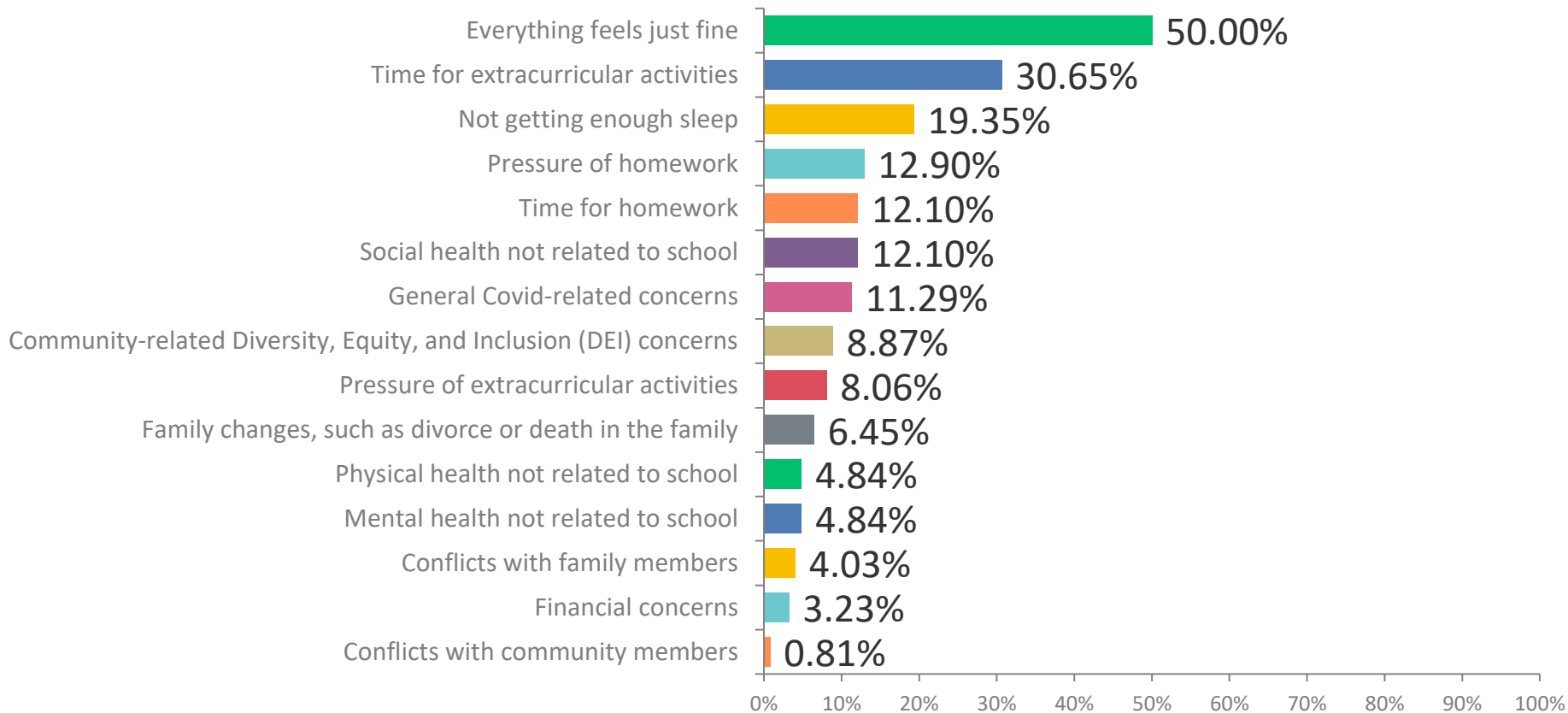


Q26: What are the current most pressing concerns for your specific child during the school day? Please choose up to three of the most important answers for you. (As a reminder, please complete separate surveys for each student.)

Answered: 124 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Everything feels just fine	41.94%	52
Social intensity or pressure	23.39%	29
Struggles with a specific subject	16.94%	21
Struggles with general learning	16.13%	20
School-related social health concerns	14.52%	18
Conflicts with other students	12.10%	15
Academic intensity or pressure	10.48%	13
Masking or other Covid-related issues	9.68%	12
Discrimination, bullying, harassment, or similar concerns	8.06%	10
Missing too much school due to Covid-related issues	8.06%	10
School-related mental health concerns	6.45%	8
School-related Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) concerns	6.45%	8
Conflicts with teachers and staff	5.65%	7
School-related physical health concerns	3.23%	4

Q28: What are the current most pressing concerns for your specific child outside of the school day? Please choose up to three of the most important answers for you. (As a reminder, please complete separate surveys for each student.) Answered: 124 Skipped: 0

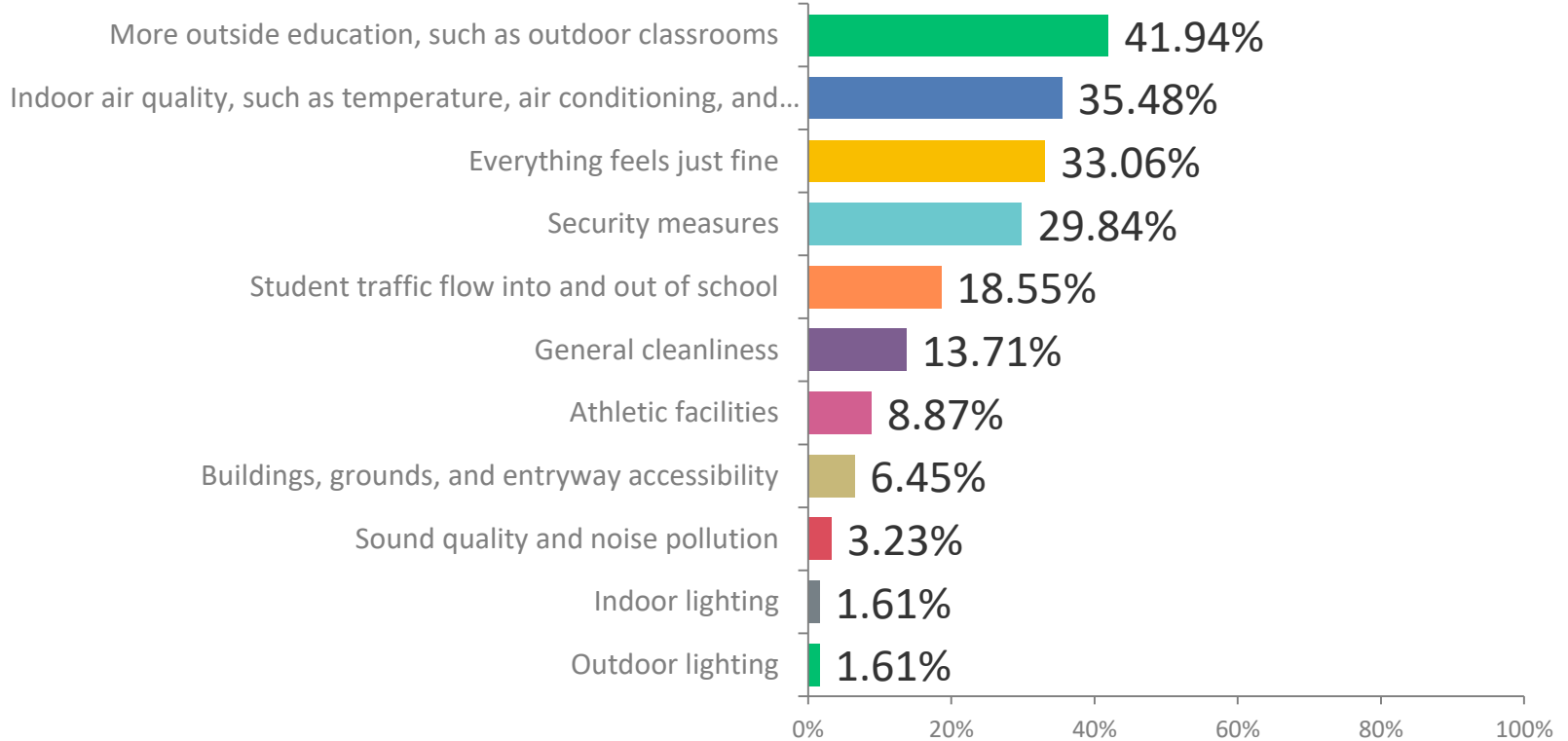


Q28: What are the current most pressing concerns for your specific child outside of the school day? Please choose up to three of the most important answers for you. (As a reminder, please complete separate surveys for each student.) Answered: 124 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Everything feels just fine	50.0%	62
Time for extracurricular activities	30.65%	38
Not getting enough sleep	19.35%	24
Pressure of homework	12.90%	16
Time for homework	12.10%	15
Social health not related to school	12.10%	15
General Covid-related concerns	11.29%	14
Community-related Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) concerns	8.87%	11
Pressure of extracurricular activities	8.06%	10
Family changes, such as divorce or death in the family	6.45%	8
Physical health not related to school	4.84%	6
Mental health not related to school	4.84%	6
Conflicts with family members	4.03%	5
Financial concerns	3.23%	4
Conflicts with community members	0.81%	1

Q30: What are the current most needed improvements related to the health and safety of the physical environment of our schools? Please choose up to three of the most important answers for you.

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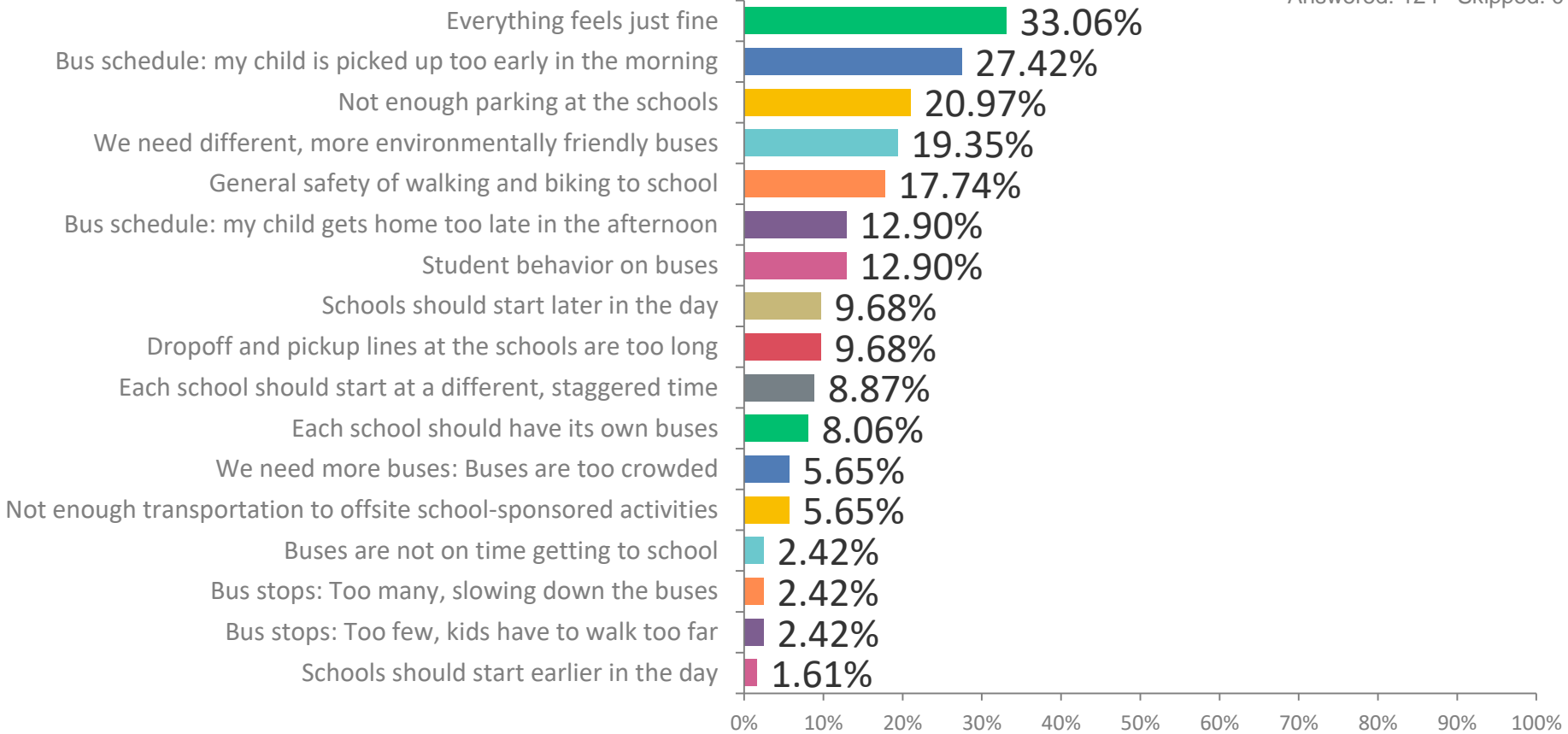


Q30: What are the current most needed improvements related to the health and safety of the physical environment of our schools? Please choose up to three of the most important answers for you. Answered: 124 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
More outside education, such as outdoor classrooms	41.94%	52
Indoor air quality, such as temperature, air conditioning, and HVAC systems	35.48%	44
Everything feels just fine	33.06%	41
Security measures	29.84%	37
Student traffic flow into and out of school	18.55%	23
General cleanliness	13.71%	17
Athletic facilities	8.87%	11
Buildings, grounds, and entryway accessibility	6.45%	8
Sound quality and noise pollution	3.23%	4
Indoor lighting	1.61%	2
Outdoor lighting	1.61%	2
TOTAL		241

Q32: What are the current most pressing transportation, arrival, and departure needs for our schools? Please choose up to three of the most important answers for you.

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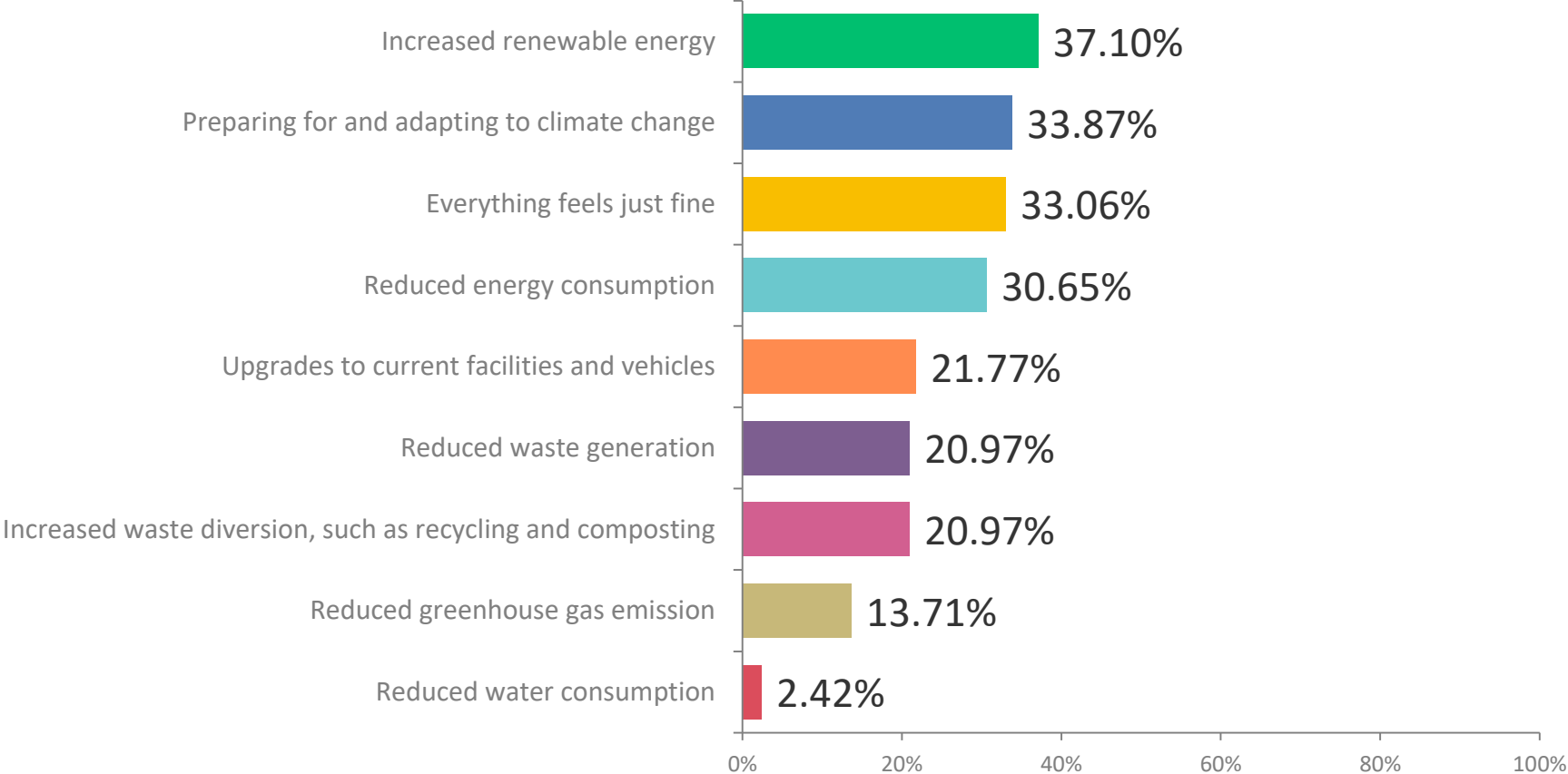
Q32: What are the current most pressing transportation, arrival, and departure needs for our schools? Please choose up to three of the most important answers for you.

Answered: 124

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Everything feels just fine	33.06%	41
Bus schedule: my child is picked up too early in the morning	27.42%	34
Not enough parking at the schools	20.97%	26
We need different, more environmentally friendly buses	19.35%	24
General safety of walking and biking to school	17.74%	22
Bus schedule: my child gets home too late in the afternoon	12.90%	16
Student behavior on buses	12.90%	16
Schools should start later in the day	9.68%	12
Dropoff and pickup lines at the schools are too long	9.68%	12
Each school should start at a different, staggered time	8.87%	11
Each school should have its own buses	8.06%	10
We need more buses: Buses are too crowded	5.65%	7
Not enough transportation to offsite school-sponsored activities	5.65%	7
Buses are not on time getting to school	2.42%	3
Bus stops: Too many, slowing down the buses	2.42%	3
Bus stops: Too few, kids have to walk too far	2.42%	3
Schools should start earlier in the day	1.61%	2

Q34: What are the current most pressing sustainability needs within our schools?

Please choose up to three of the most important answers for you. Answered: 124 Skipped: 0



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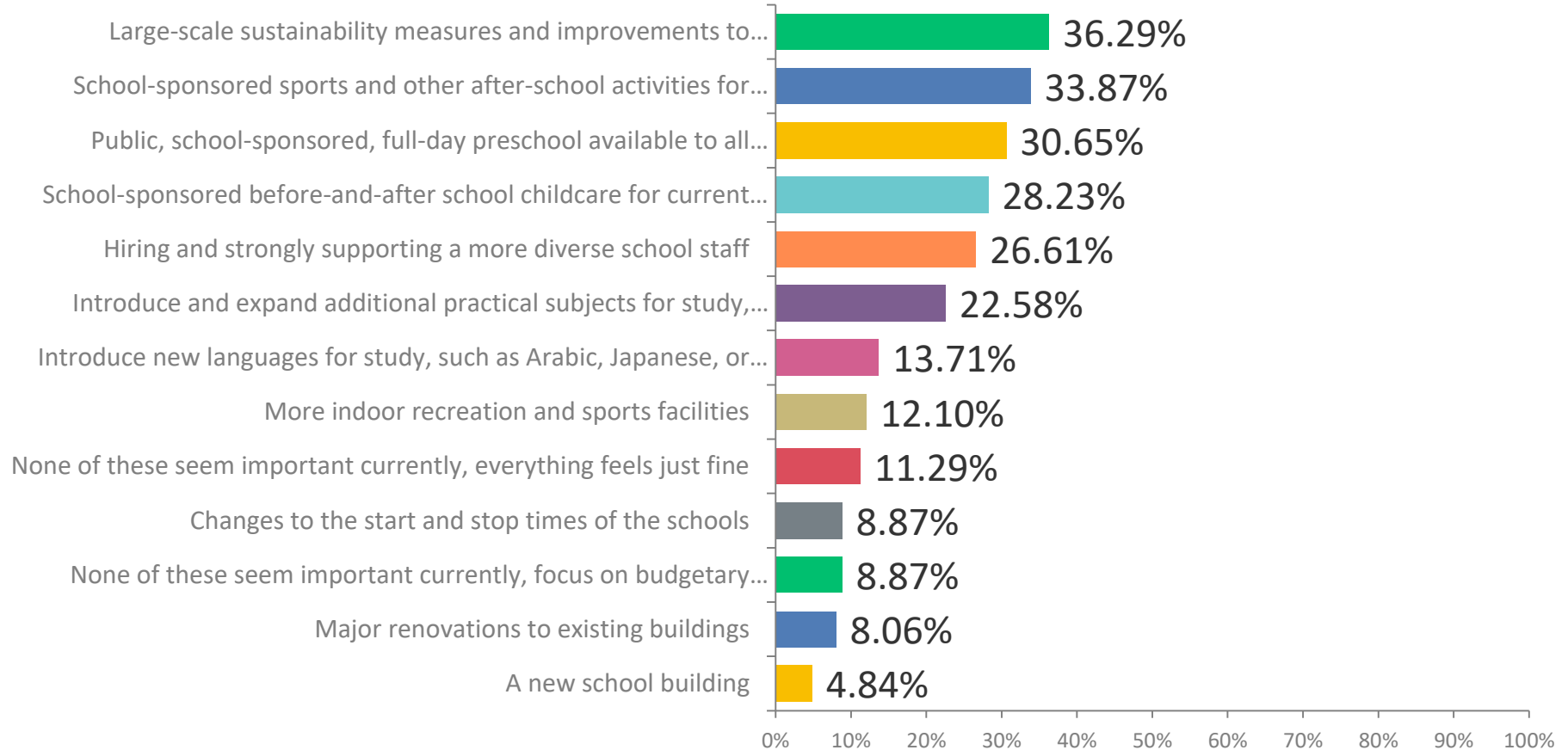
Please choose up to three of the most important answers for you.

Answered: 124 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Increased renewable energy	37.10%	46
Preparing for and adapting to climate change	33.87%	42
Everything feels just fine	33.06%	41
Reduced energy consumption	30.65%	38
Upgrades to current facilities and vehicles	21.77%	27
Reduced waste generation	20.97%	26
Increased waste diversion, such as recycling and composting	20.97%	26
Reduced greenhouse gas emission	13.71%	17
Reduced water consumption	2.42%	3
TOTAL		266

Q36: Within the next five years, which large-scale initiatives are the most important? Please choose up to three of the most important answers for you.

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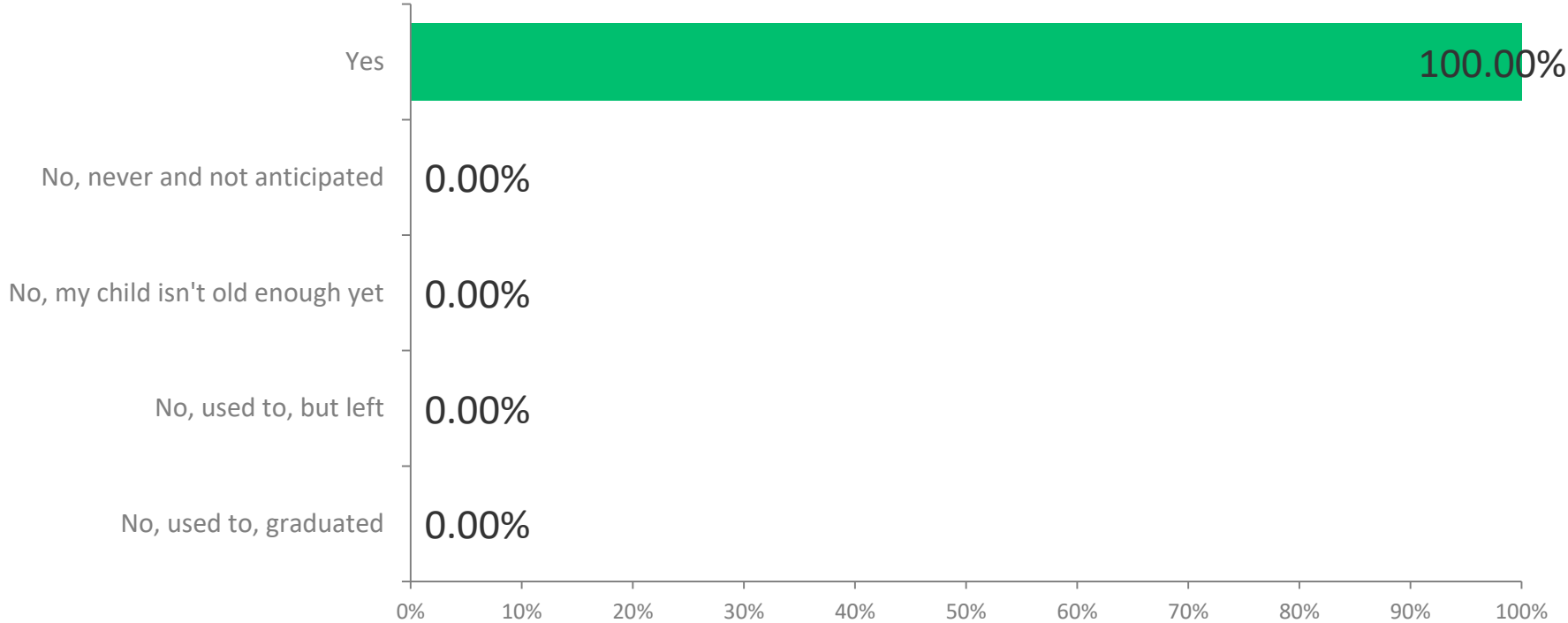
Please choose up to three of the most important answers for you.

Answered: 124 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Large-scale sustainability measures and improvements to existing buildings and grounds	36.29%	45
School-sponsored sports and other after-school activities for MCS, Ray, and RMS students	33.87%	42
Public, school-sponsored, full-day preschool available to all incoming Hanover and Norwich students	30.65%	38
School-sponsored before-and-after school childcare for current elementary school students at MCS and Ray	28.23%	35
Hiring and strongly supporting a more diverse school staff	26.61%	33
Introduce and expand additional practical subjects for study, such as driver's education, business education, and family & consumer sciences ("home economics")	22.58%	28
Introduce new languages for study, such as Arabic, Japanese, or Mandarin	13.71%	17
More indoor recreation and sports facilities	12.10%	15
None of these seem important currently, everything feels just fine	11.29%	14
Changes to the start and stop times of the schools	8.87%	11
None of these seem important currently, focus on budgetary savings	8.87%	11
Major renovations to existing buildings	8.06%	10
A new school building	4.84%	6

Q38: Do you currently have a child in the schools?

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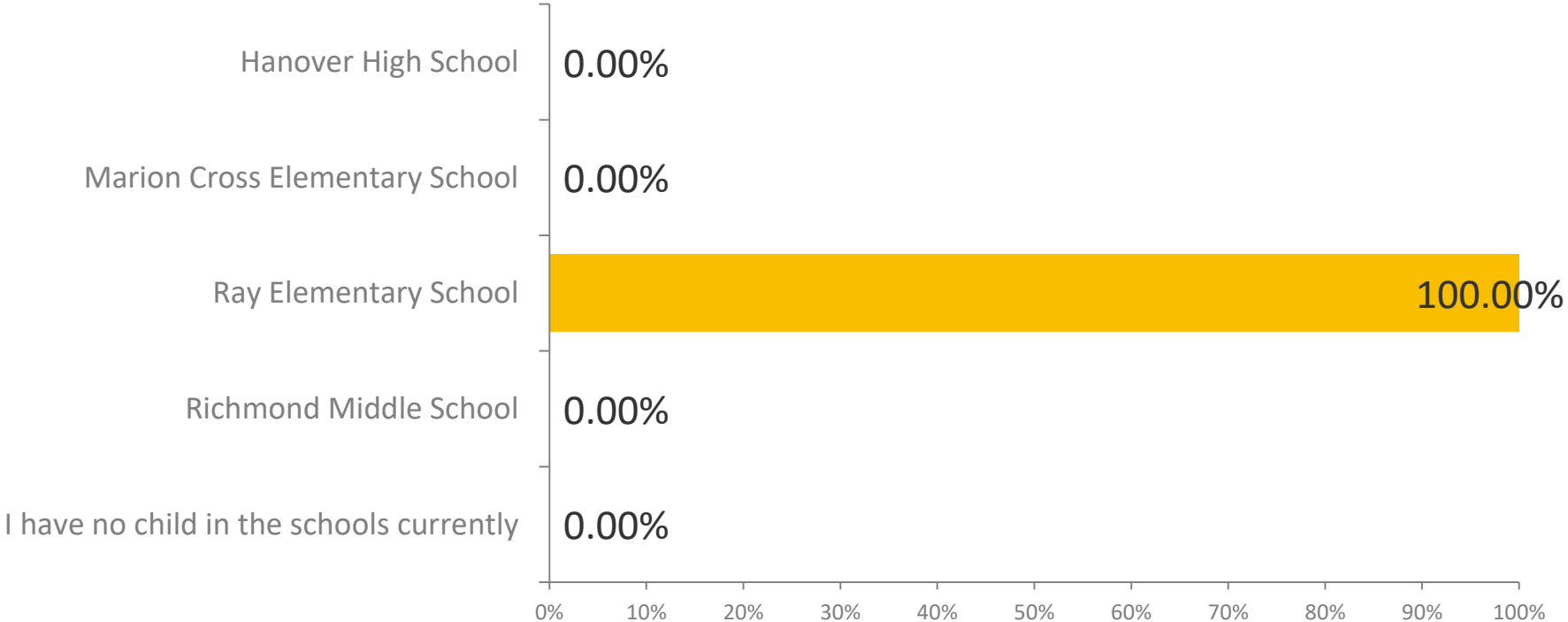
Q38: Do you currently have a child in the schools?

Answered: 124 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	100%	124
No, never and not anticipated	0%	0
No, my child isn't old enough yet	0%	0
No, used to, but left	0%	0
No, used to, graduated	0%	0
TOTAL		124

Q39: If yes, which school does your child currently attend? Reminder to please complete separate surveys for each student.

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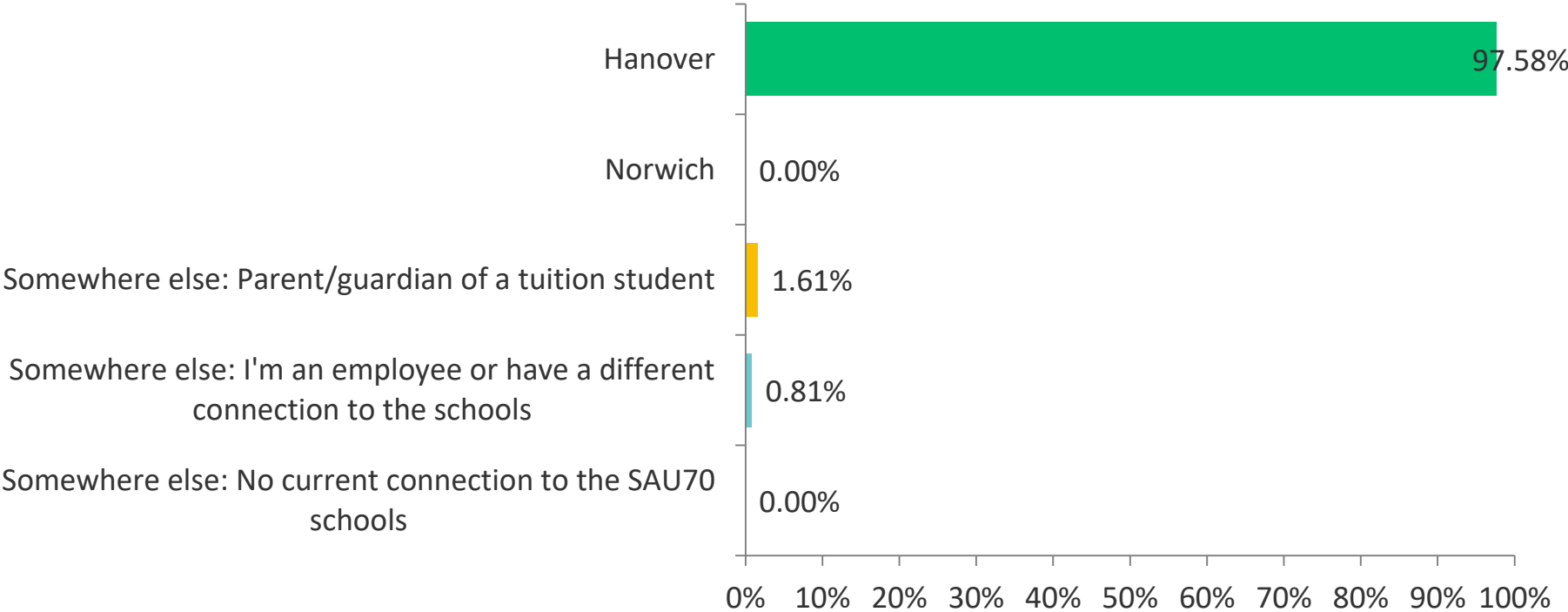
Q39: If yes, which school does your child currently attend? Reminder to please complete separate surveys for each student.

Answered: 124 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Hanover High School	0%	0
Marion Cross Elementary School	0%	0
Ray Elementary School	100%	124
Richmond Middle School	0%	0
I have no child in the schools currently	0%	0
TOTAL		124

Q40: Where do you live?

Answered: 124 Skipped: 0



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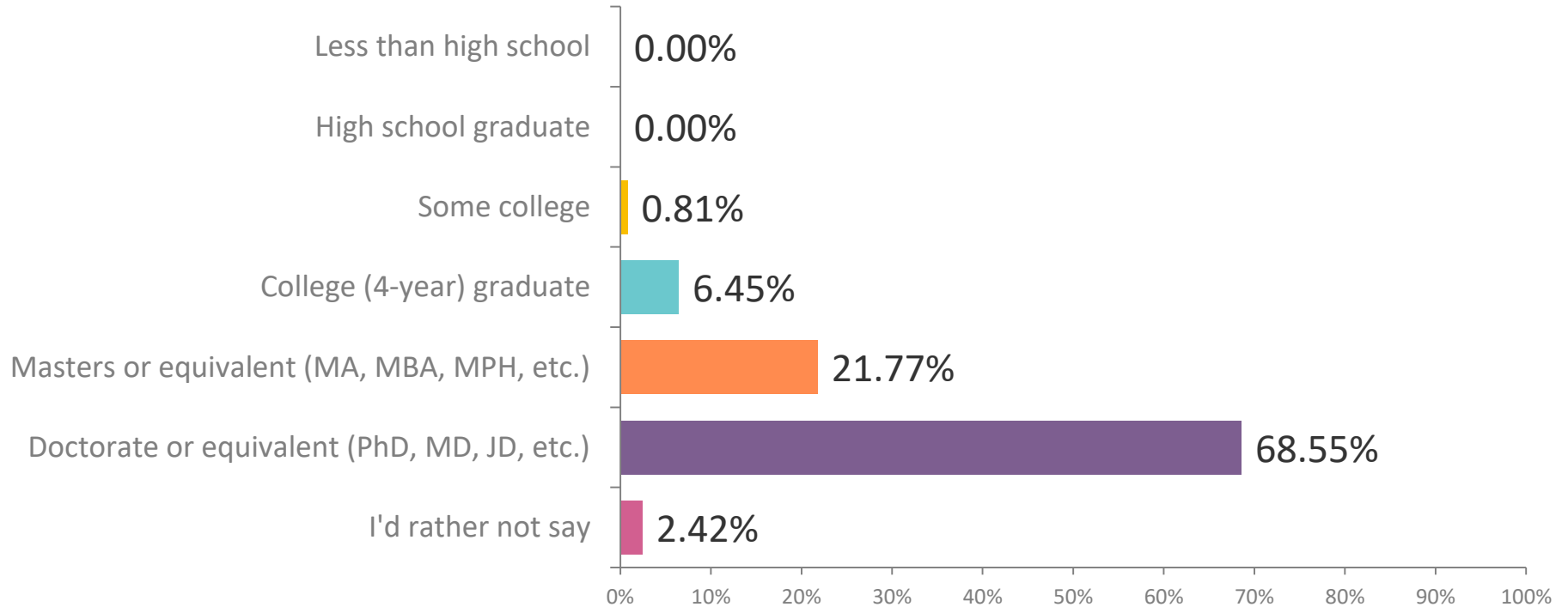
Hanover	97.58%	121
Norwich	0%	0
Somewhere else: Parent/guardian of a tuition student	1.61%	2
Somewhere else: I'm an employee or have a different connection to the schools	0.81%	1
Somewhere else: No current connection to the SAU70 schools	0%	0

TOTAL

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Q41: What is the highest educational attainment of a member of your immediate household?

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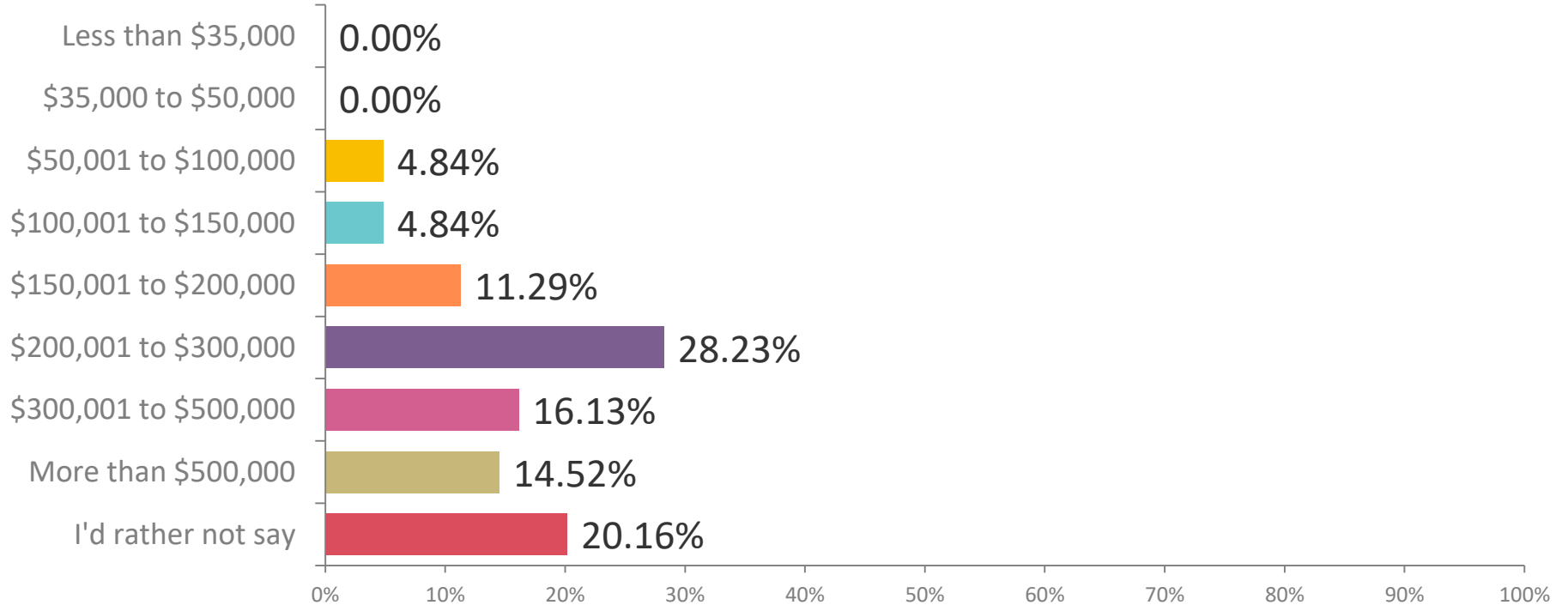
Q41: What is the highest educational attainment of a member of your immediate household?

Answered: 124 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than high school	0%	0
High school graduate	0%	0
Some college	0.81%	1
College (4-year) graduate	6.45%	8
Masters or equivalent (MA, MBA, MPH, etc.)	21.77%	27
Doctorate or equivalent (PhD, MD, JD, etc.)	68.55%	85
I'd rather not say	2.42%	3
TOTAL		124

Q42: What is your approximate household income?

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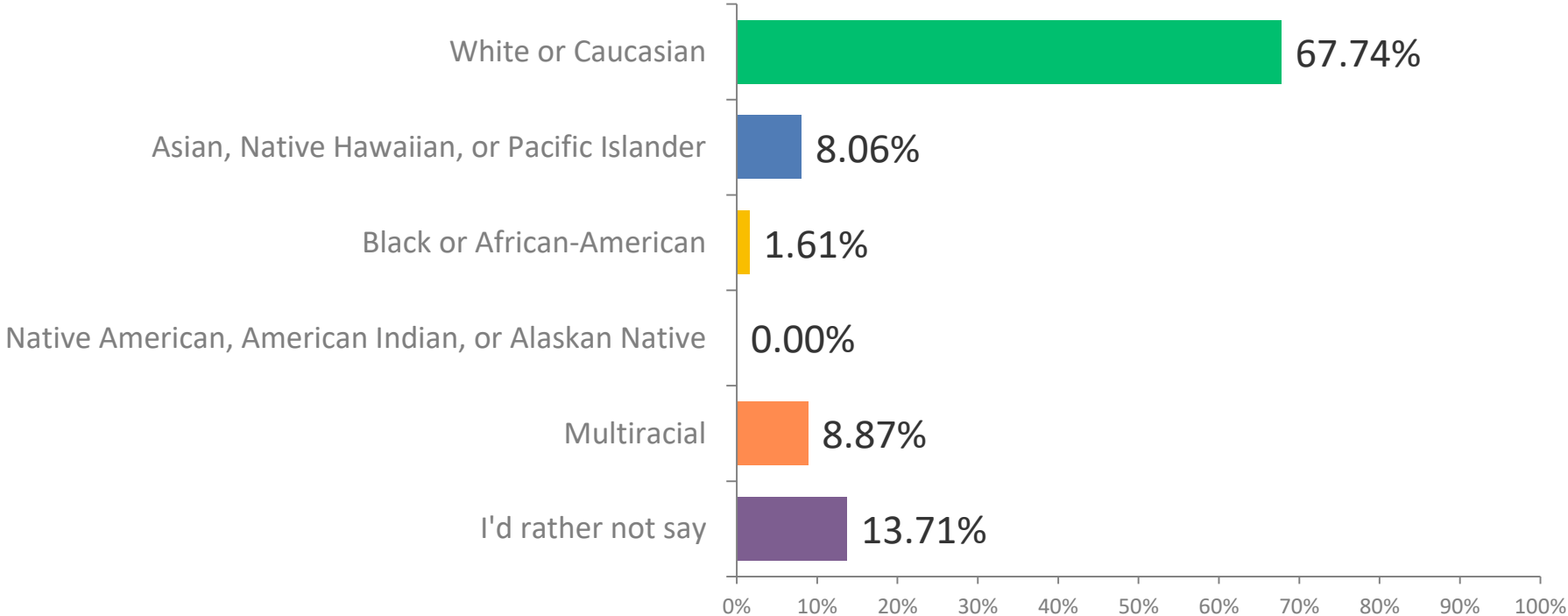
Q42: What is your approximate household income?

Answered: 124 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than \$35,000	0%	0
\$35,000 to \$50,000	0%	0
\$50,001 to \$100,000	4.84%	6
\$100,001 to \$150,000	4.84%	6
\$150,001 to \$200,000	11.29%	14
\$200,001 to \$300,000	28.23%	35
\$300,001 to \$500,000	16.13%	20
More than \$500,000	14.52%	18
I'd rather not say	20.16%	25
TOTAL		124

Q43: What is the race of your child (or yourself if no child in the schools)?

Answered: 124 Skipped: 0



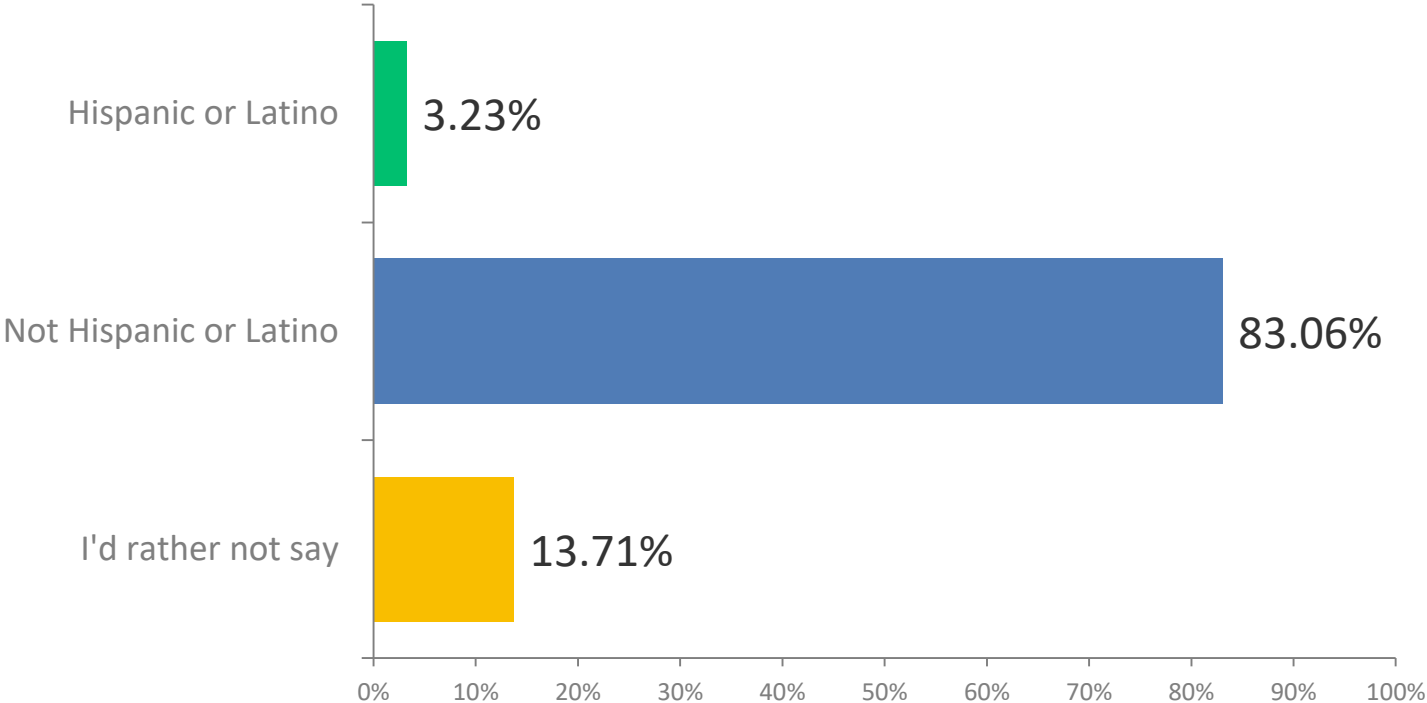
Q43: What is the race of your child (or yourself if no child in the schools)?

Answered: 124 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
White or Caucasian	67.74%	84
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander	8.06%	10
Black or African-American	1.61%	2
Native American, American Indian, or Alaskan Native	0%	0
Multiracial	8.87%	11
I'd rather not say	13.71%	17
TOTAL		124

Q44: What is the ethnicity of your child (or yourself if no child in the schools)?

Answered: 124 Skipped: 0



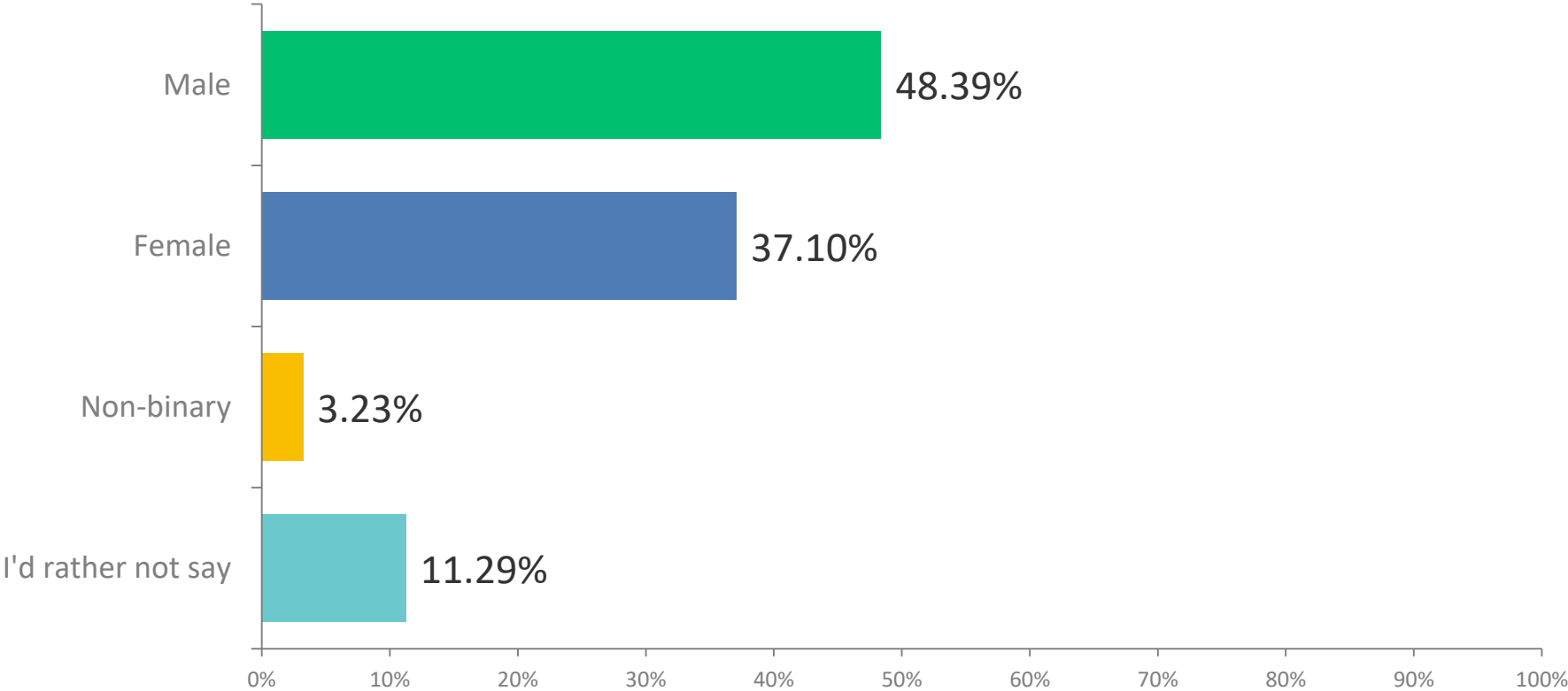
Q44: What is the ethnicity of your child (or yourself if no child in the schools)?

Answered: 124 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Hispanic or Latino	3.23%	4
Not Hispanic or Latino	83.06%	103
I'd rather not say	13.71%	17
TOTAL		124

Q45: What is the gender of your child (or yourself if no child in the schools)?

Answered: 124 Skipped: 0



Q45: What is the gender of your child (or yourself if no child in the schools)?

Answered: 124 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Male	48.39%	60
Female	37.10%	46
Non-binary	3.23%	4
I'd rather not say	11.29%	14
TOTAL		124