

#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 : F

Vacation Rental Survey Results
Electoral Area "F" (Greater West Bench, Okanagan Lake, Summerland)
January 11, 2023 - February 15, 2023

REGISTRATION QUESTIONS

Q1 | Which RDOS community do you live in?

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Summerland

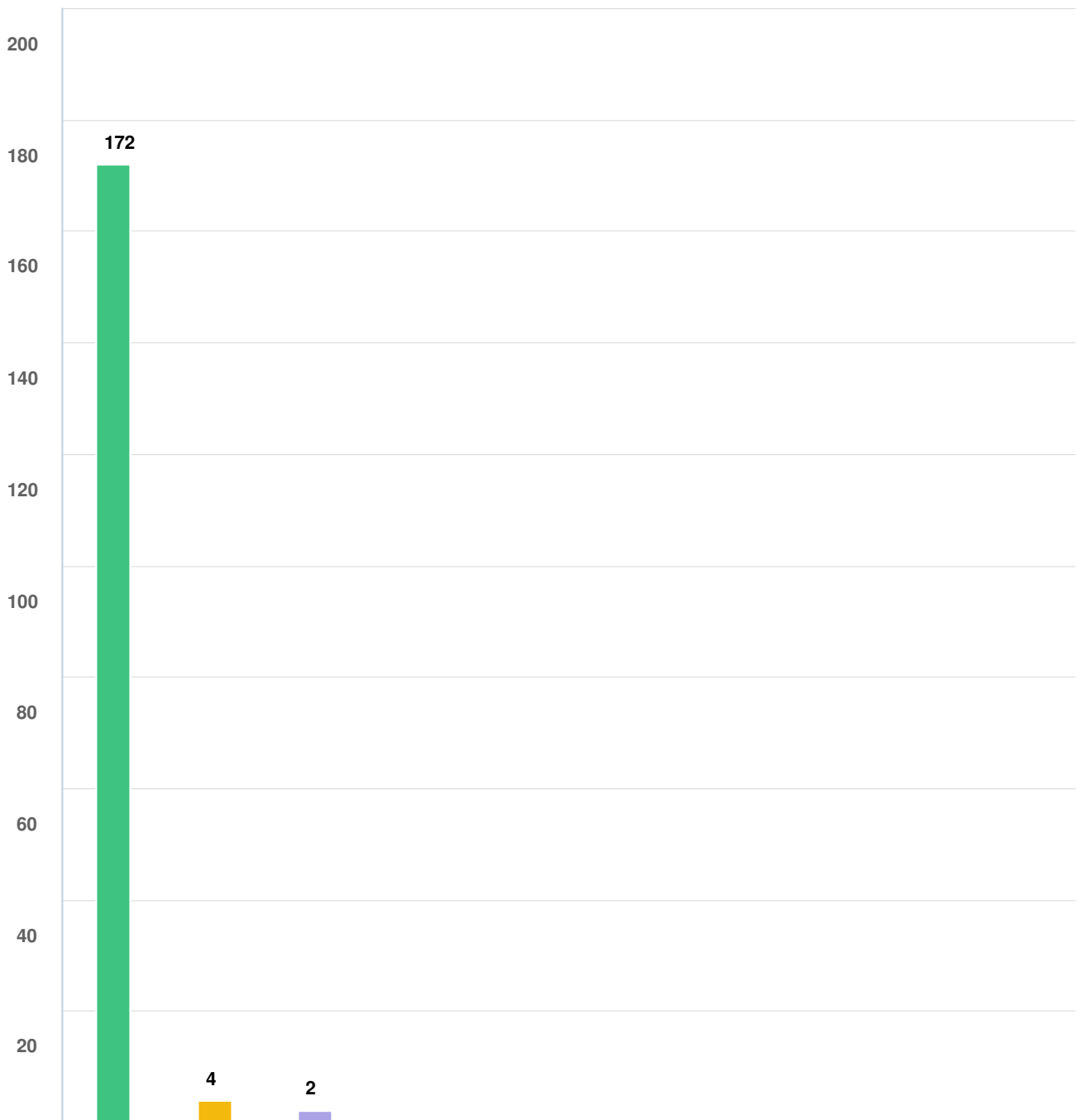
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Mandatory Question (1 response(s))

Question type: Single Line Question

SURVEY QUESTIONS

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



Question options

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

Mandatory Question (172 response(s))

Question type: Checkbox Question

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

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

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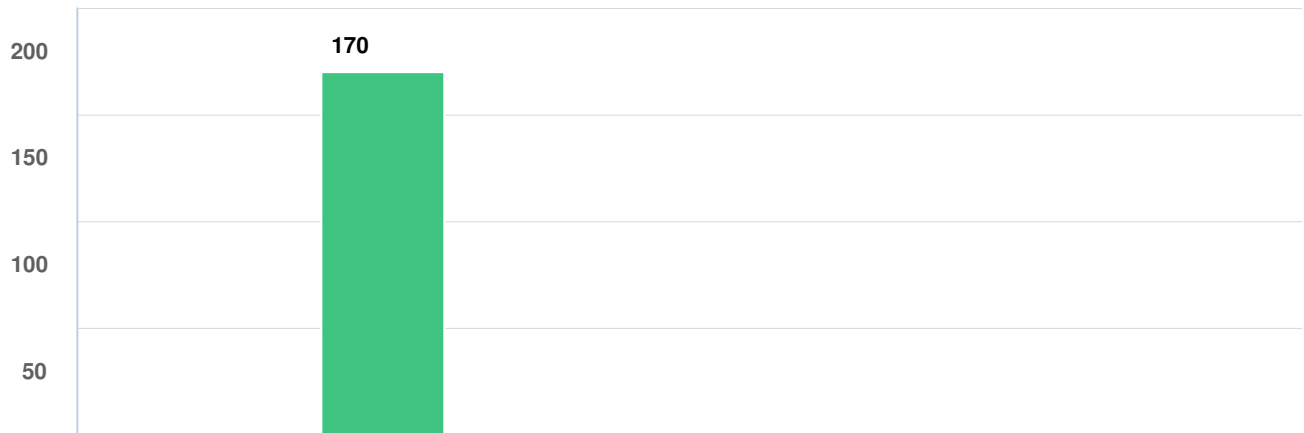
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Optional question (134 response(s), 38 skipped)

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

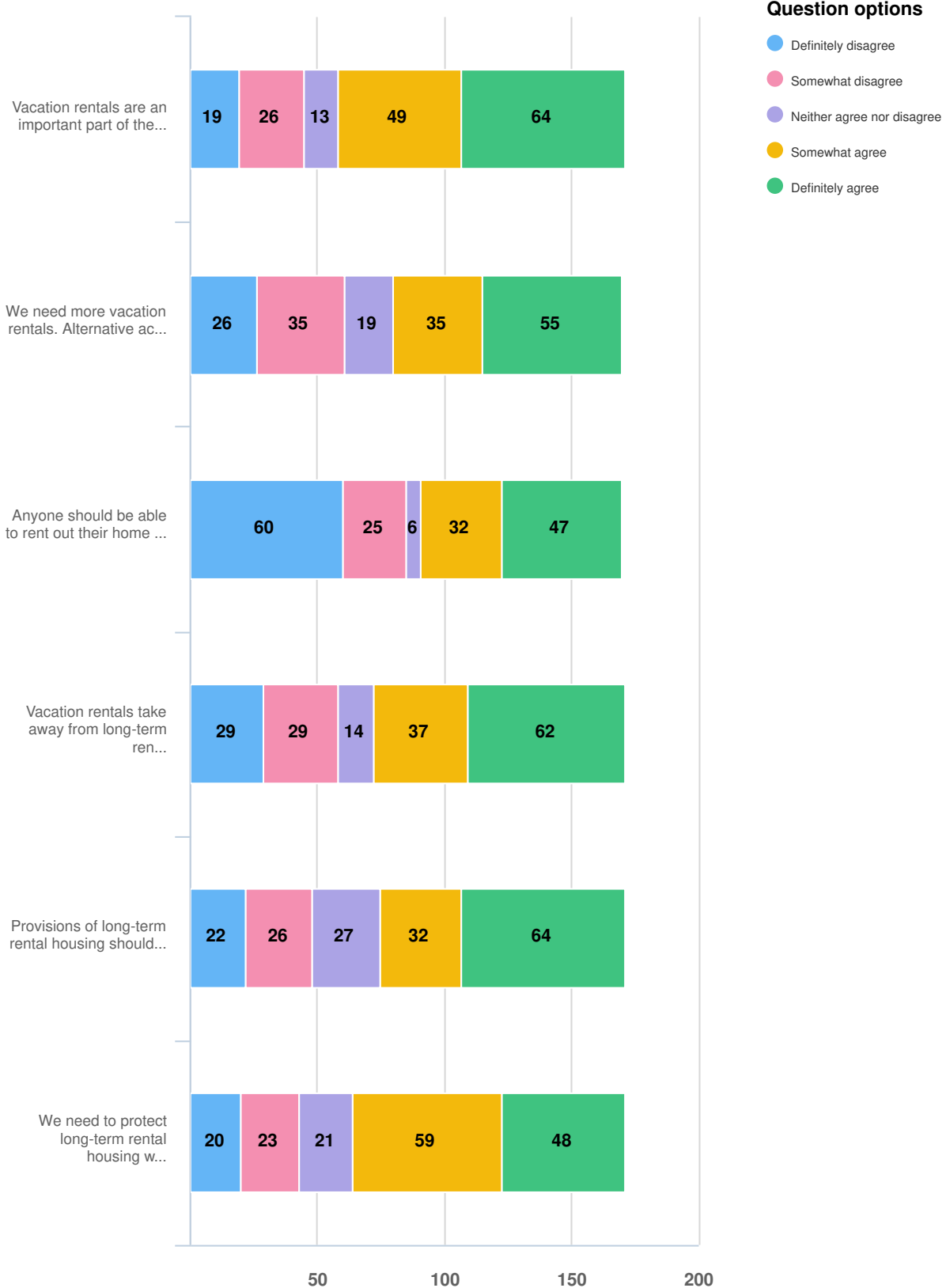
- No (please continue with this survey)
- Yes (please go to Survey #2 of the Regional Connections page or contact the RDOS to receive a paper copy of the survey)

Optional question (170 response(s), 2 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

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

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



Optional question (171 response(s), 1 skipped)

Question type: Likert Question

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

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 : 19



Somewhat disagree : 26



Neither agree nor disagree : 13



Somewhat agree : 49

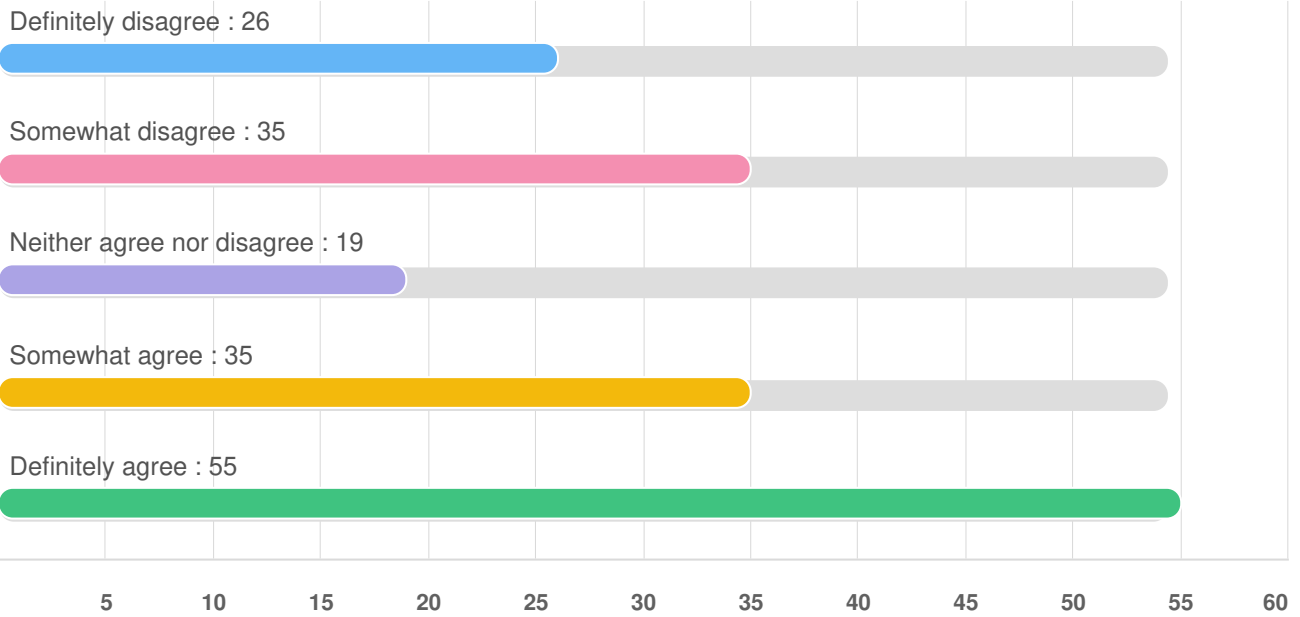


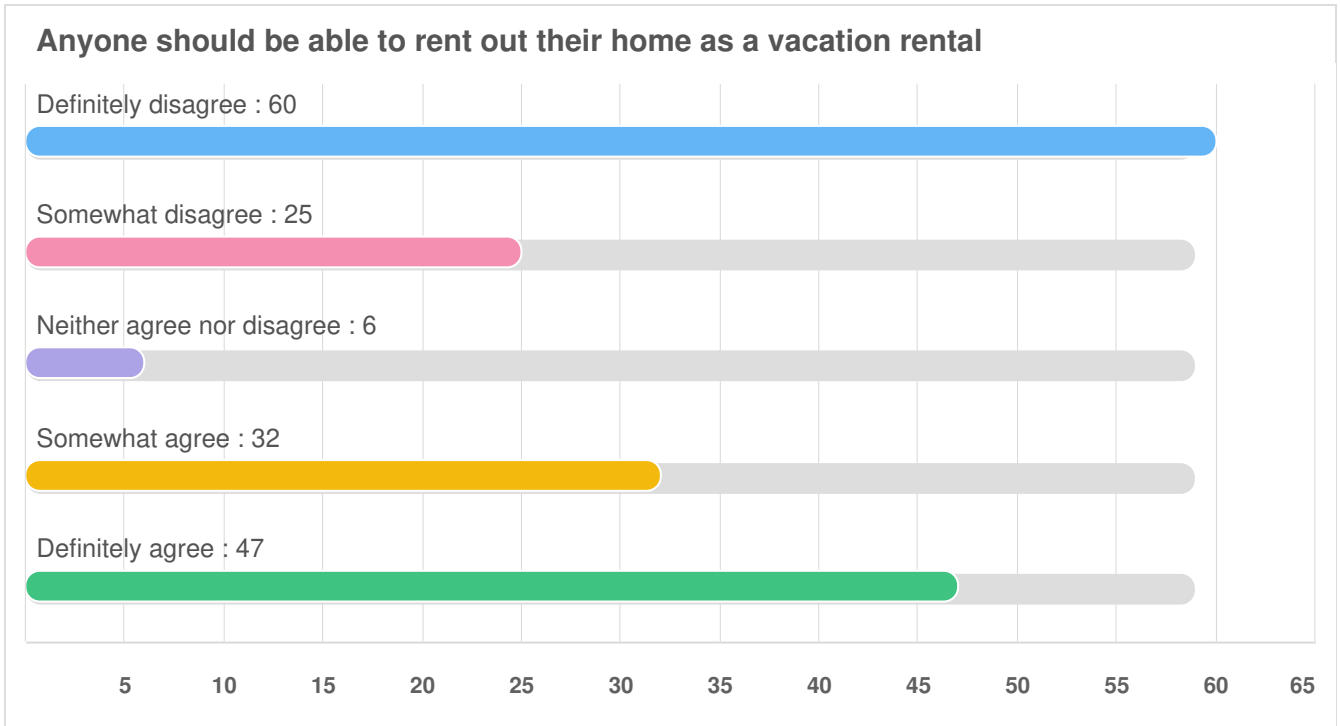
Definitely agree : 64

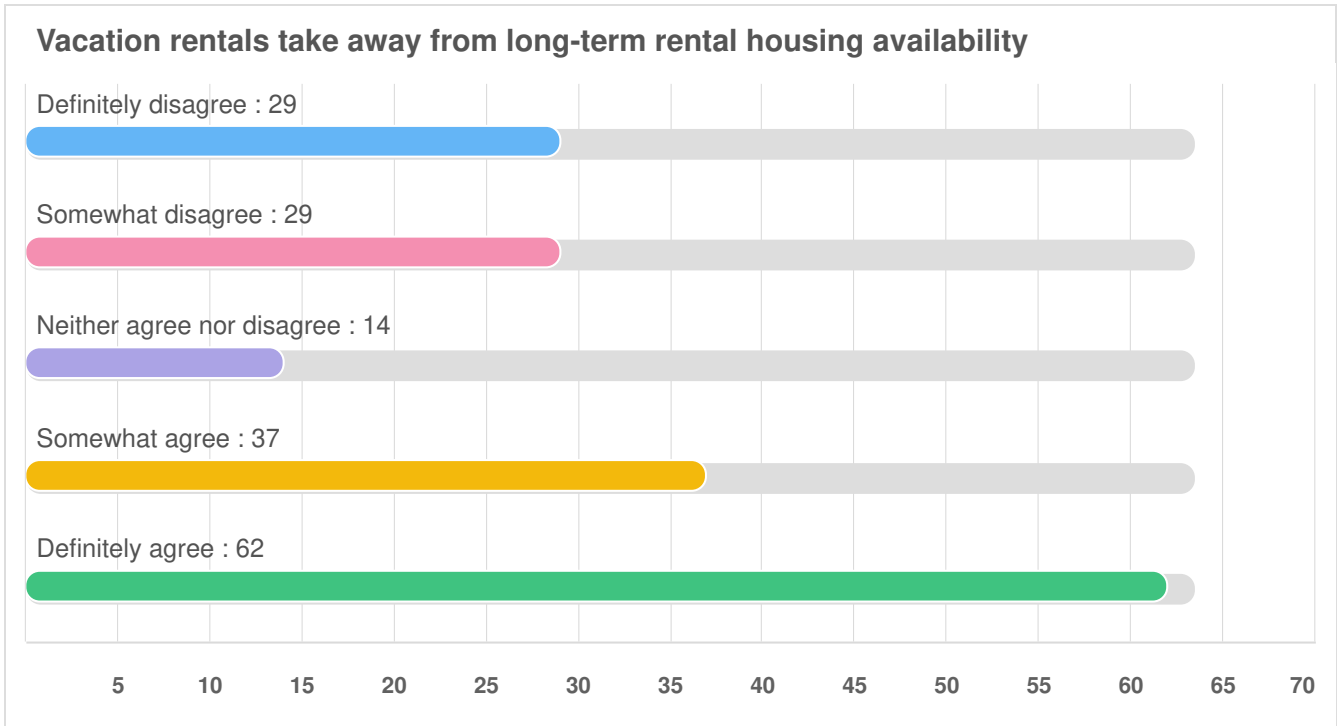


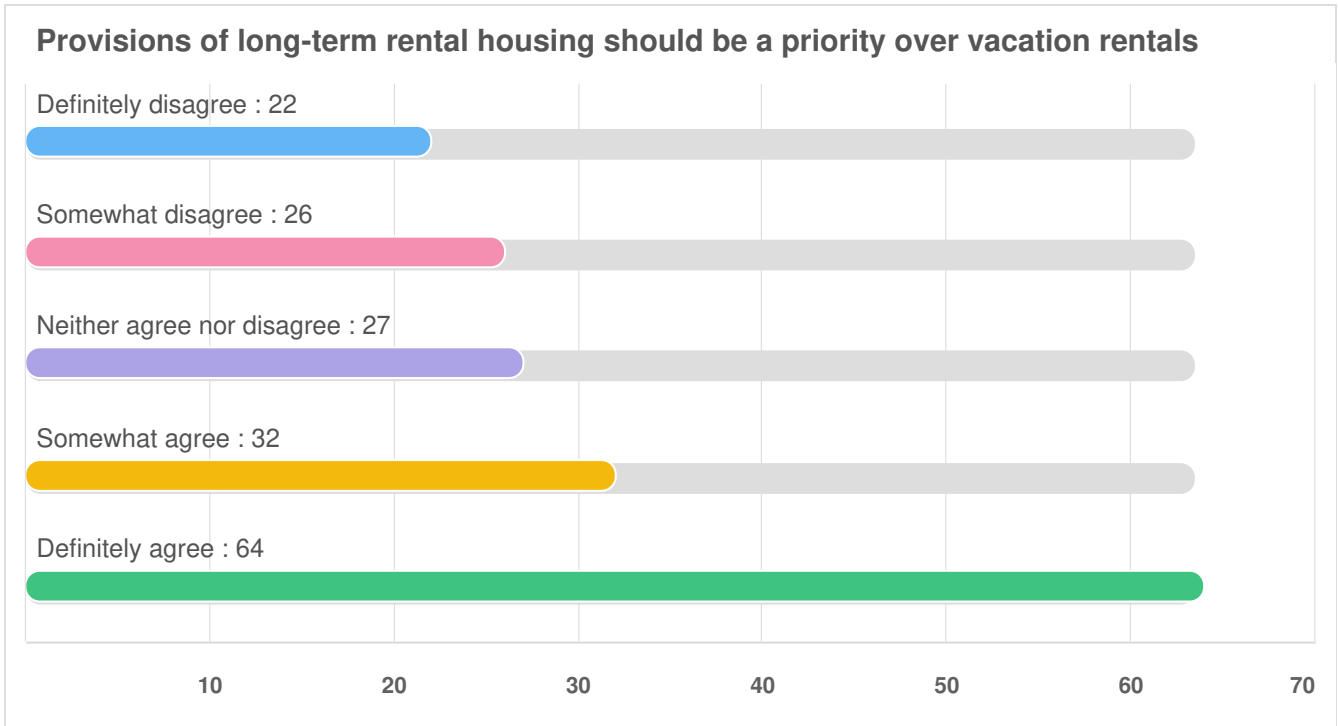
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We need more vacation rentals. Alternative accommodations (hotels, motels, and bed & breakfasts) are often lacking

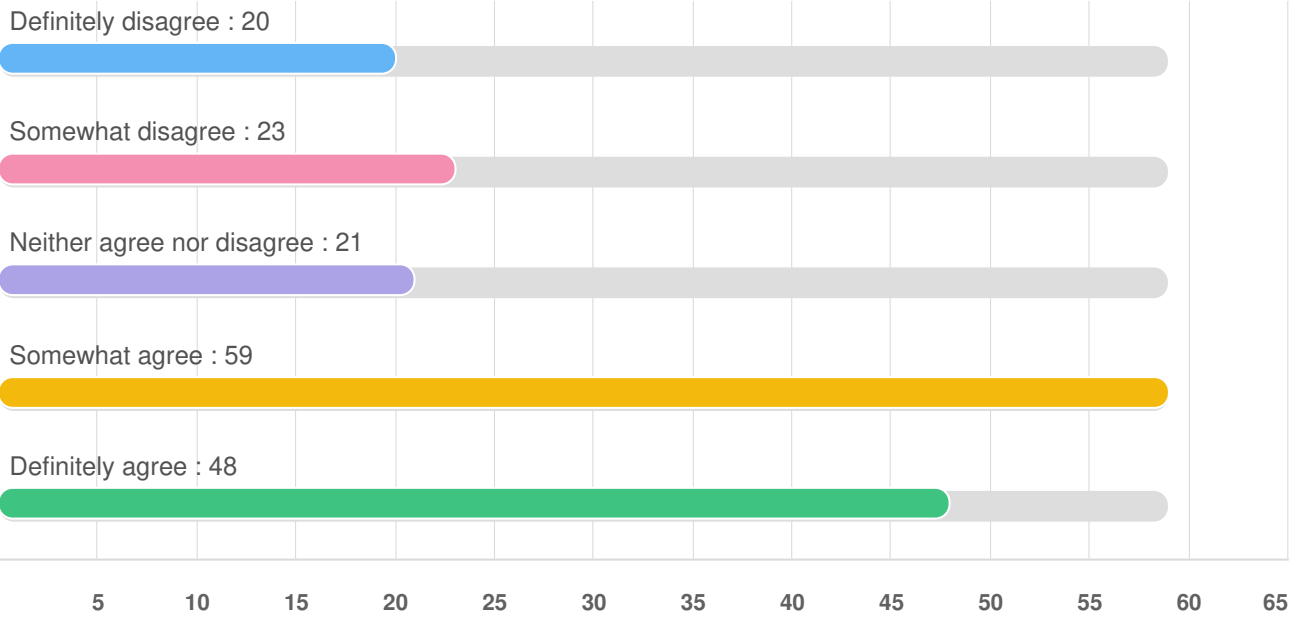








We need to protect long-term rental housing while also permitting some vacation rentals



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

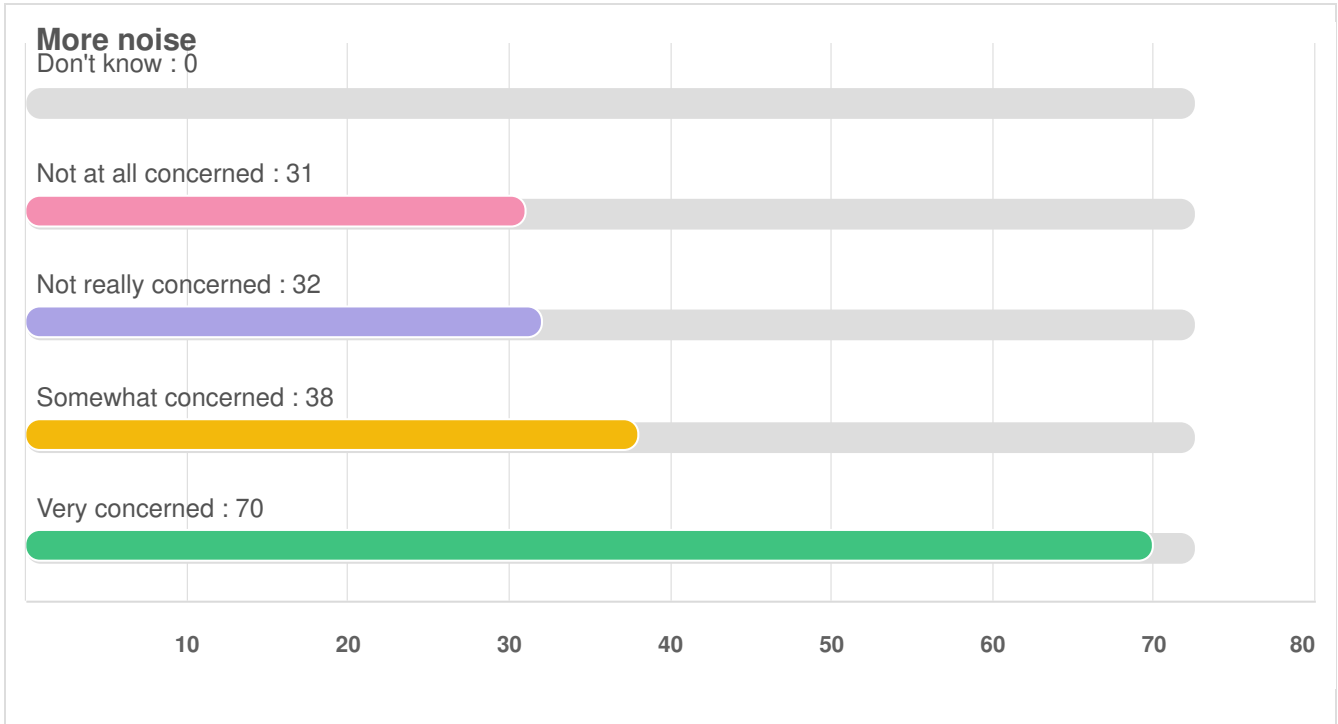


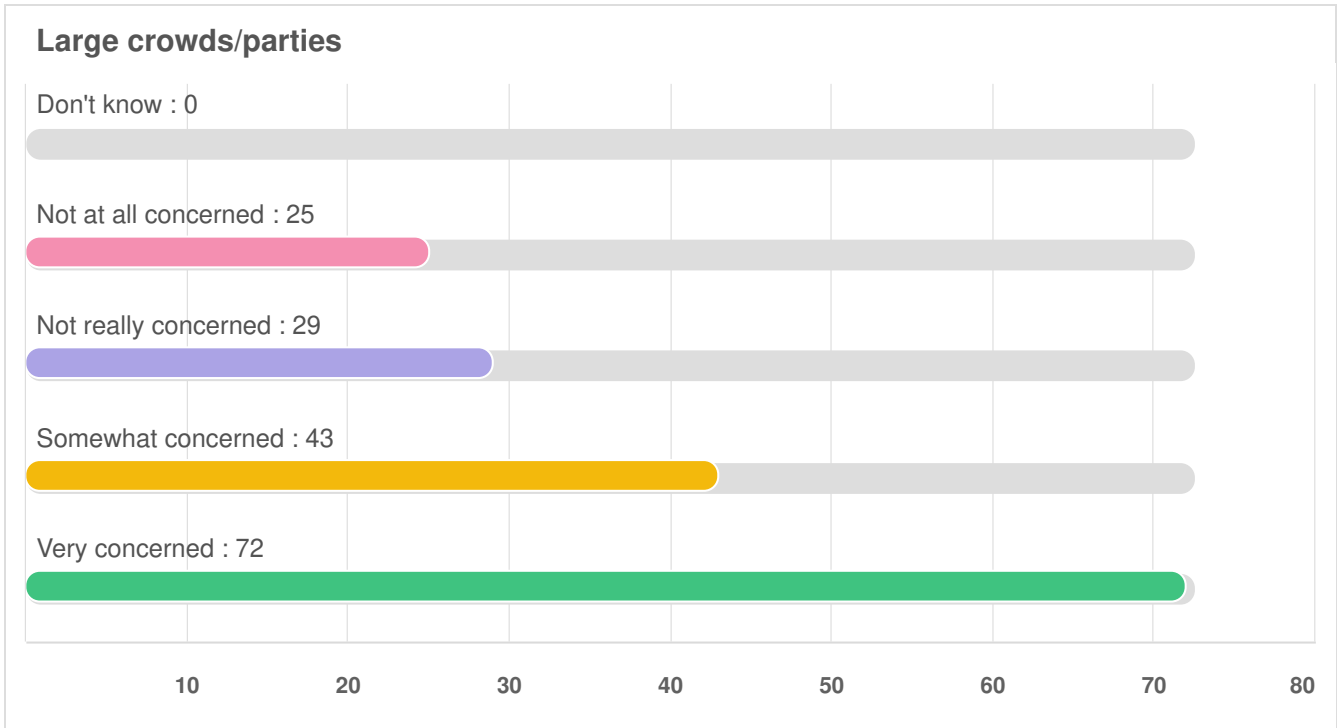
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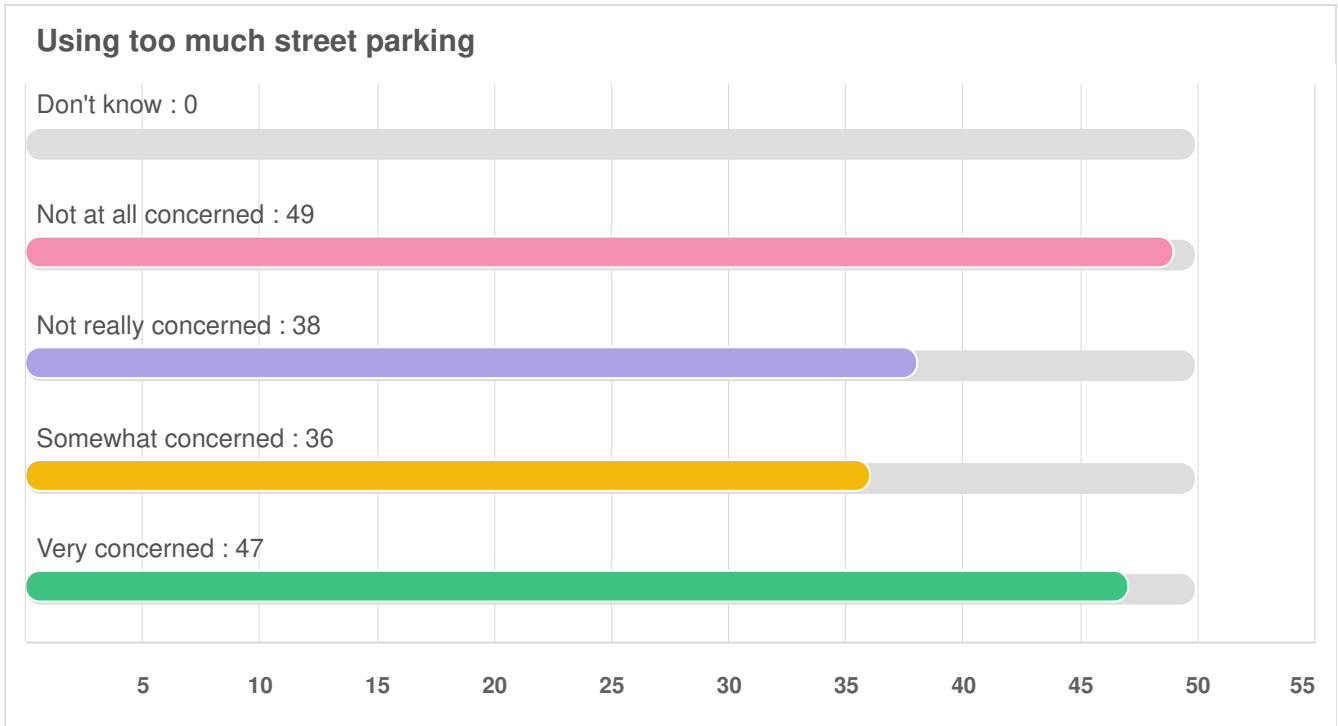
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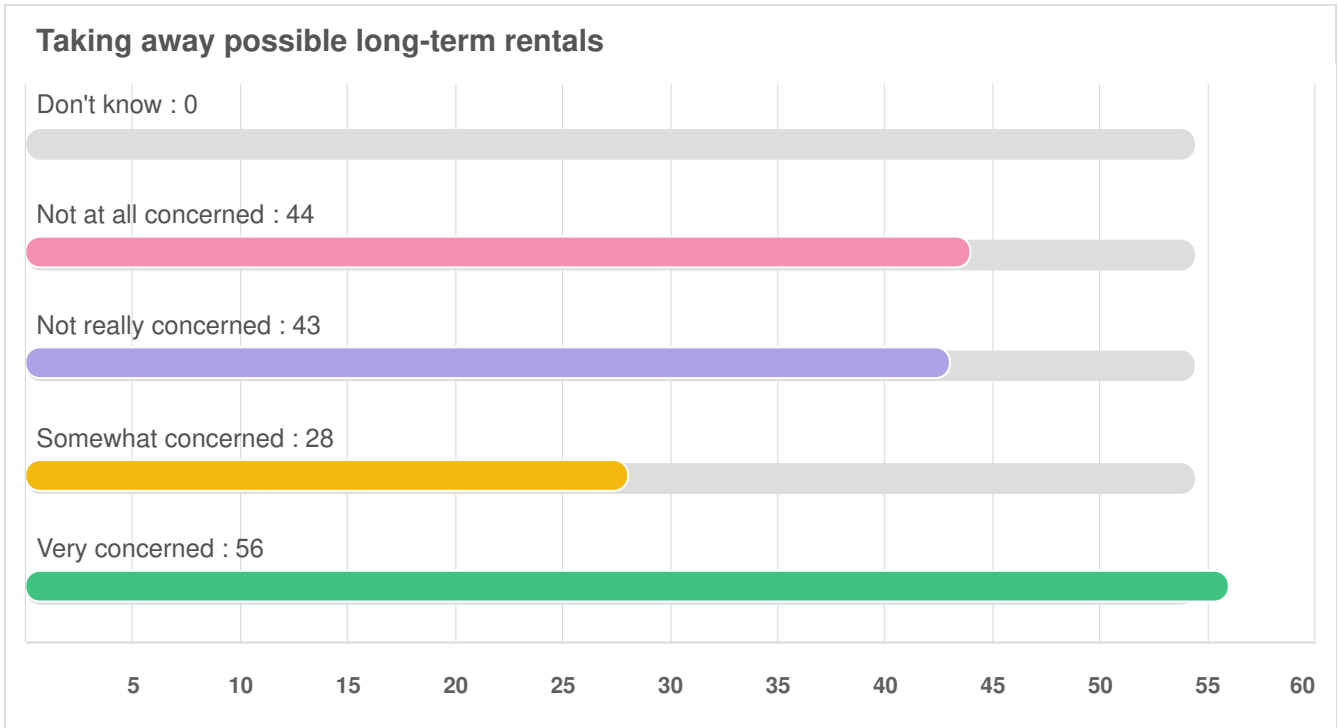
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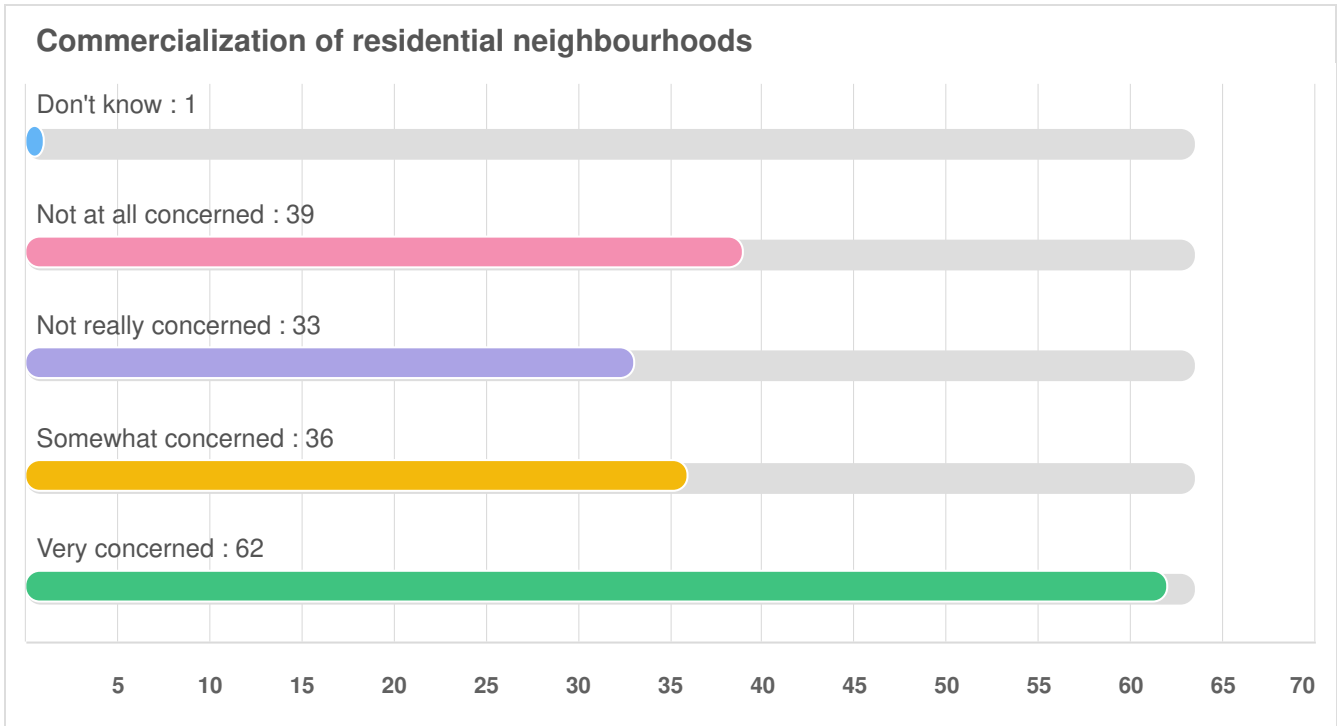
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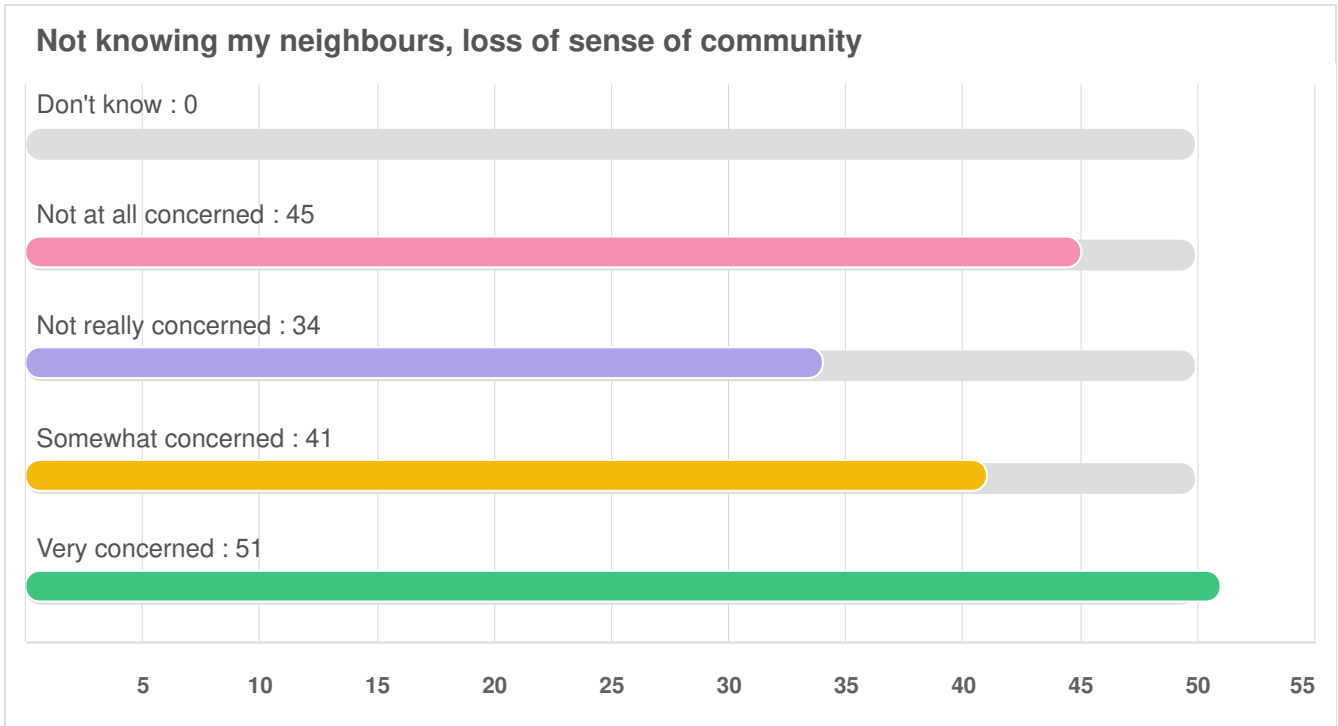


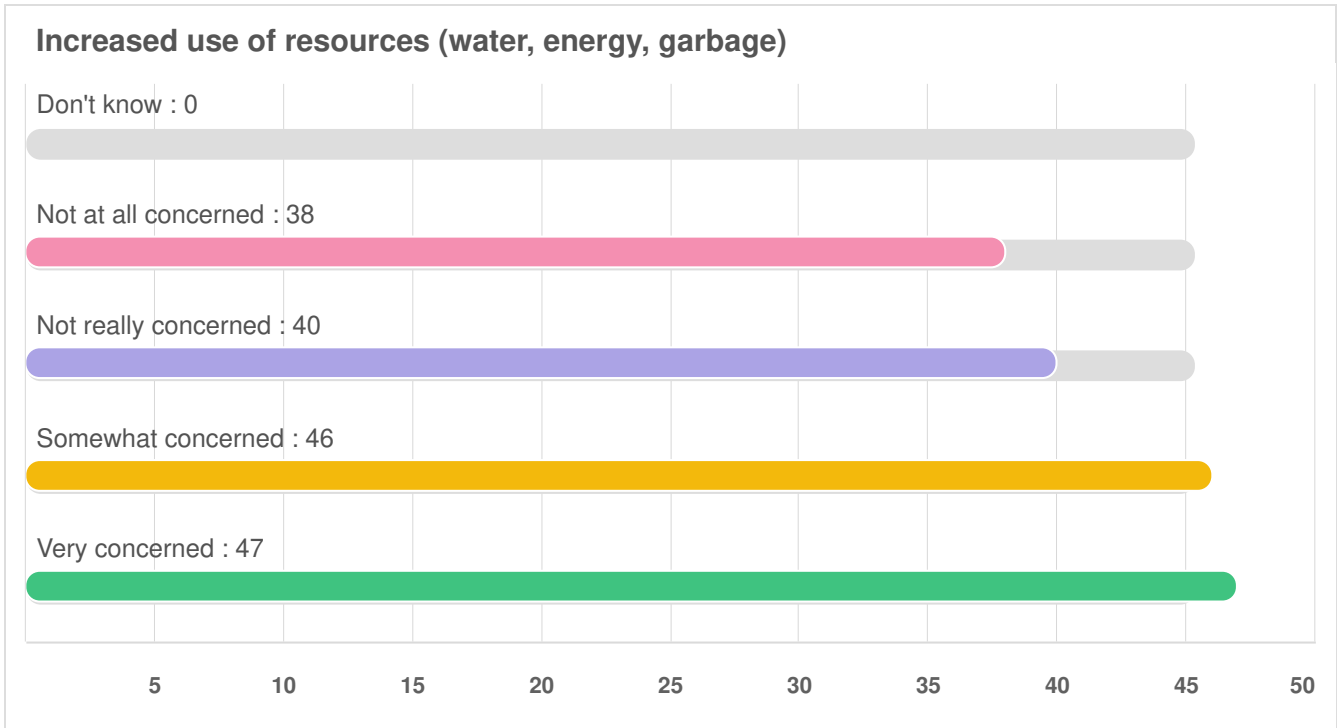


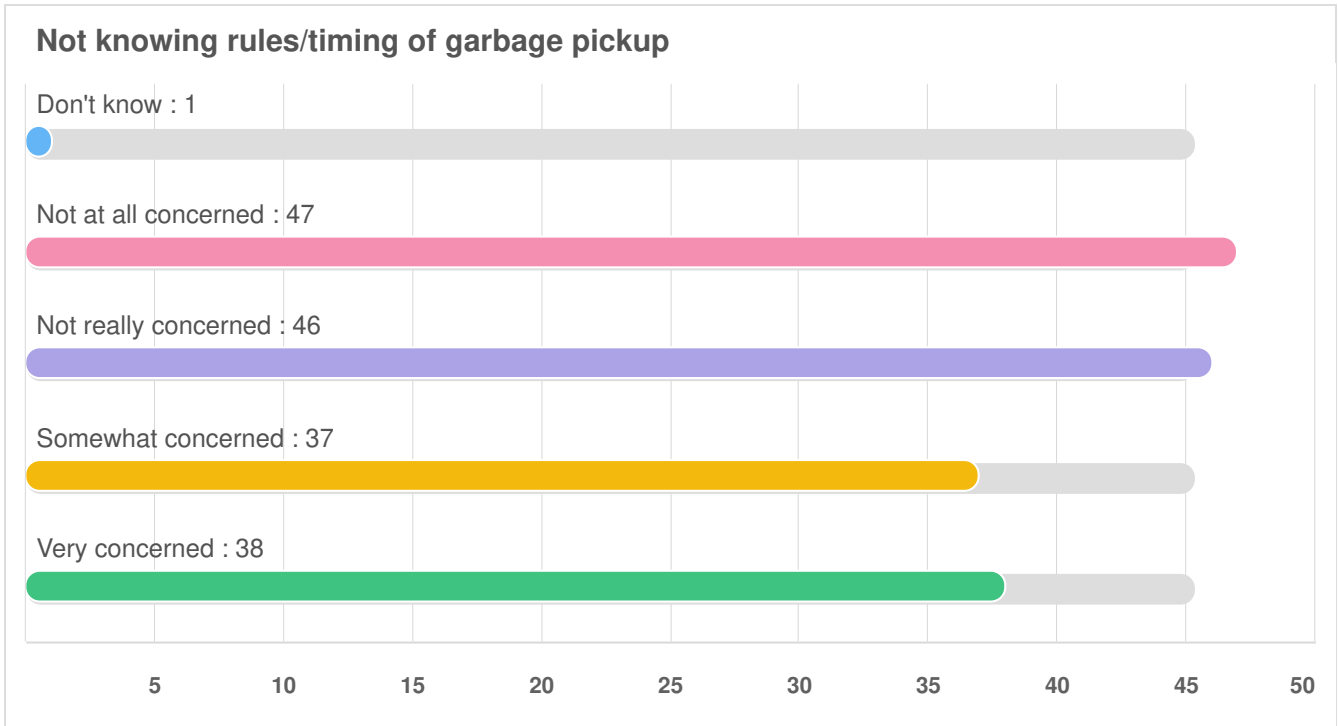




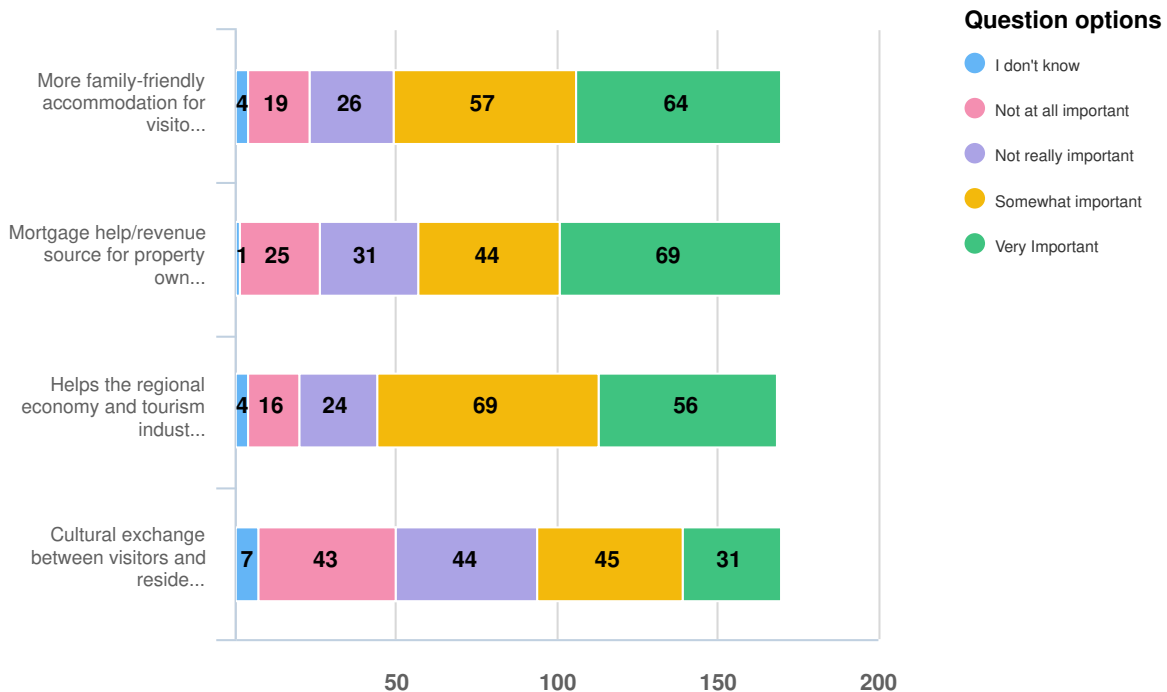








Q6 From your perspective, please rate the importance of the following potential benefits of vacation rentals.



Optional question (171 response(s), 1 skipped)
 Question type: Likert Question
 Filtering by: In which electoral area are you a resident or property owner? F

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

More family-friendly accommodation for visitors

I don't know : 4



Not at all important : 19



Not really important : 26



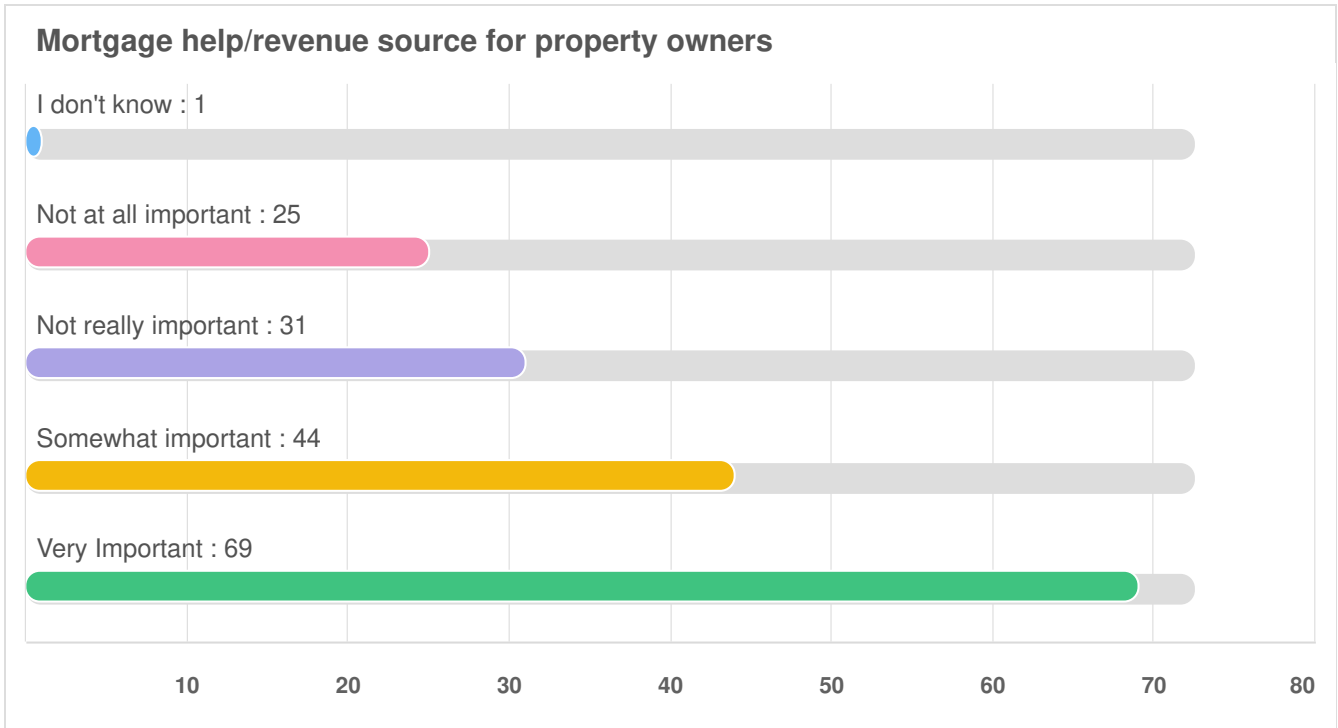
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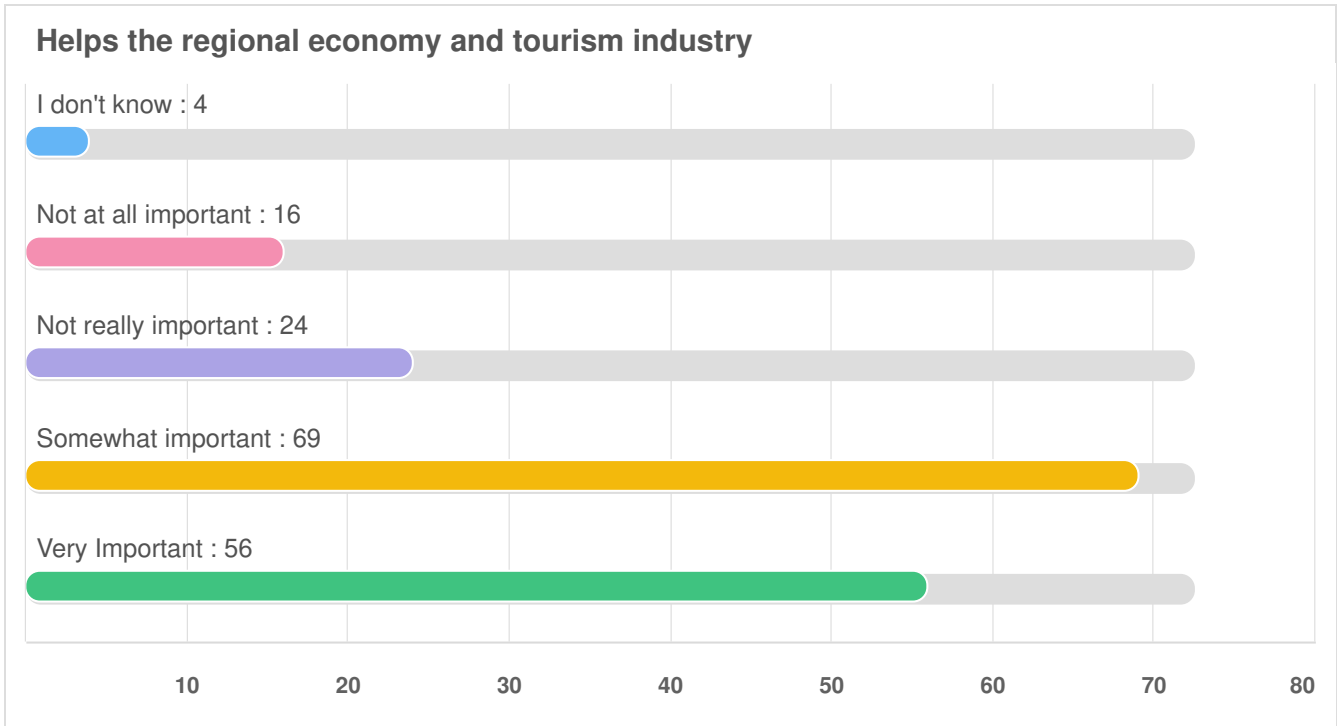


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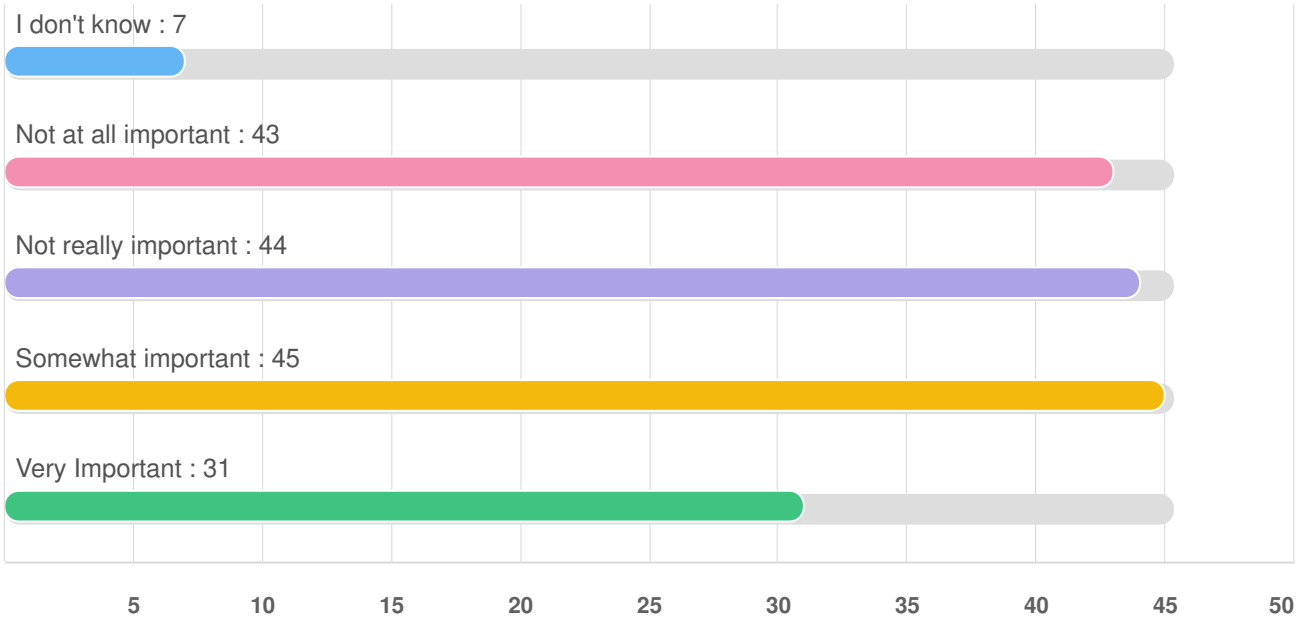


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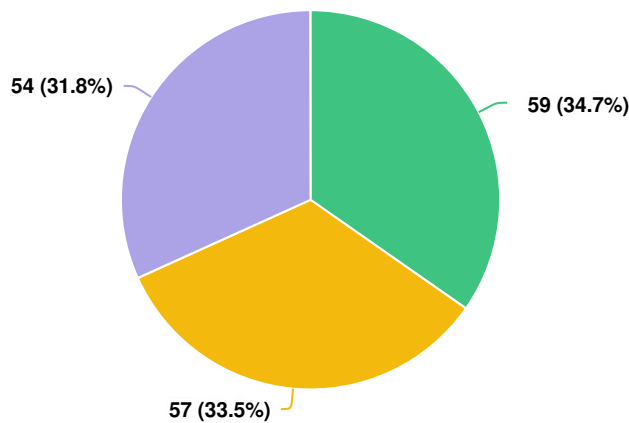




Cultural exchange between visitors and residents



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



Question options

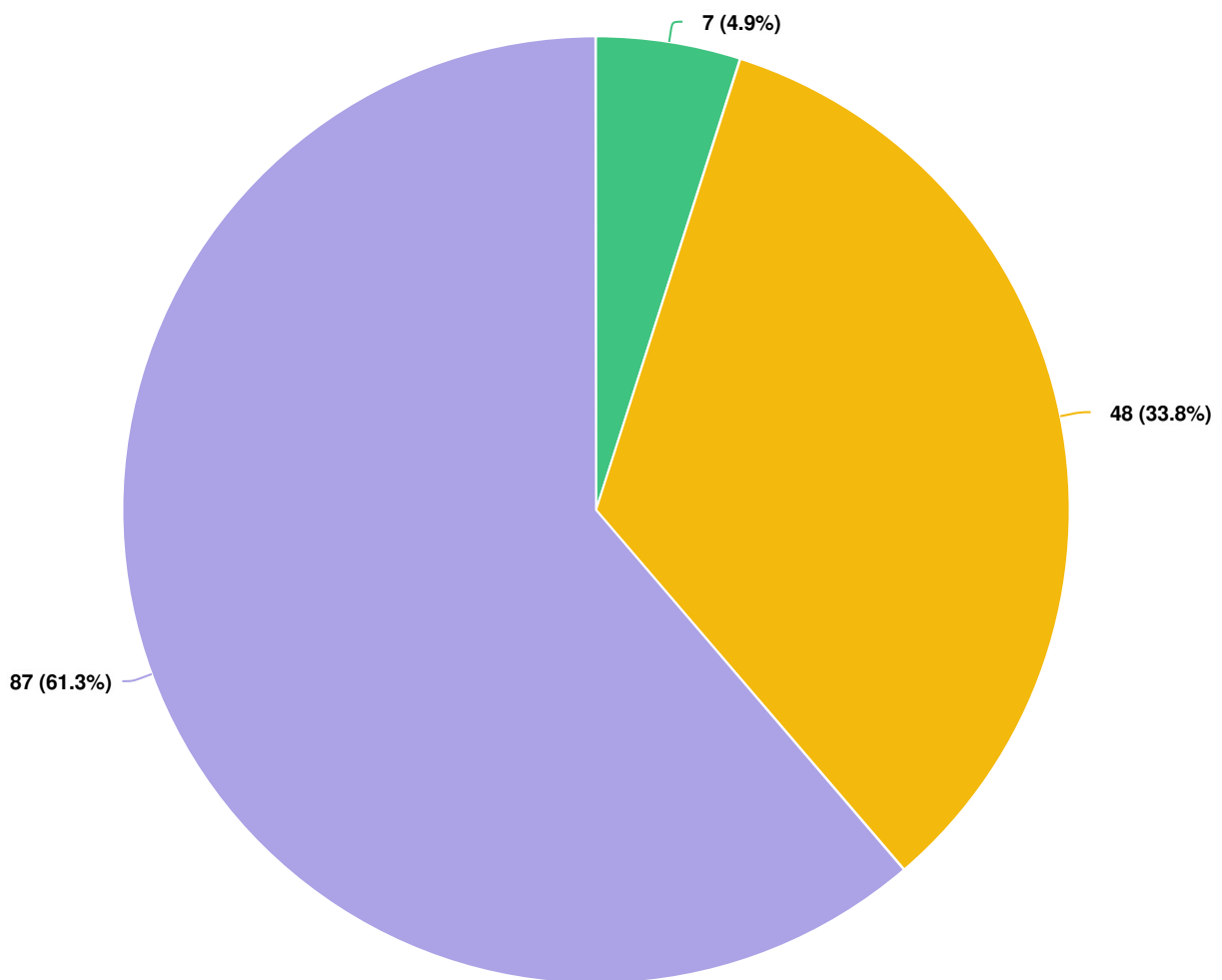
- Don't know
- No
- Yes

Optional question (170 response(s), 2 skipped)

Question type: Dropdown Question

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

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

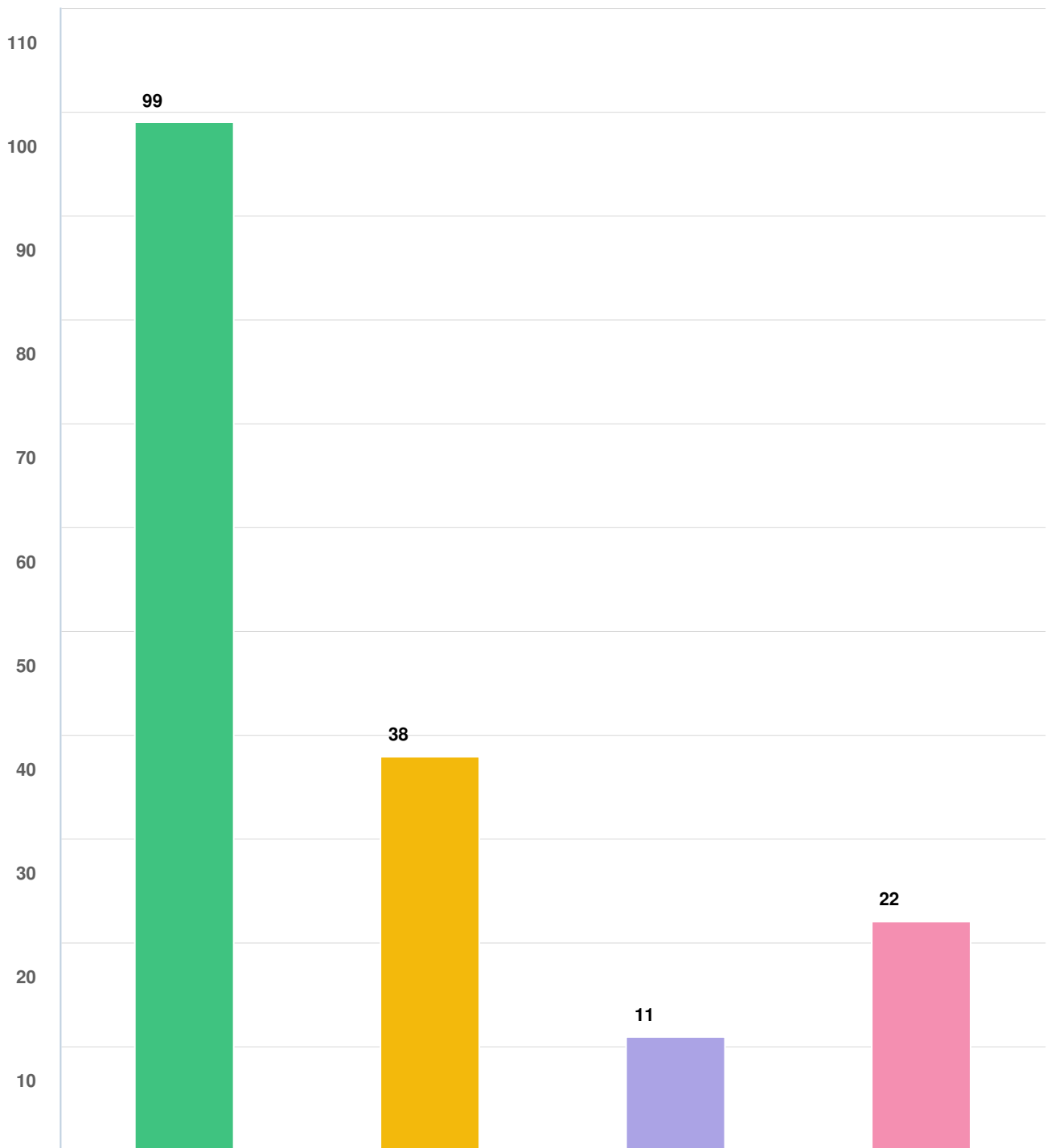
- Don't know
- No
- Yes

Optional question (142 response(s), 30 skipped)

Question type: Dropdown Question

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

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



Question options

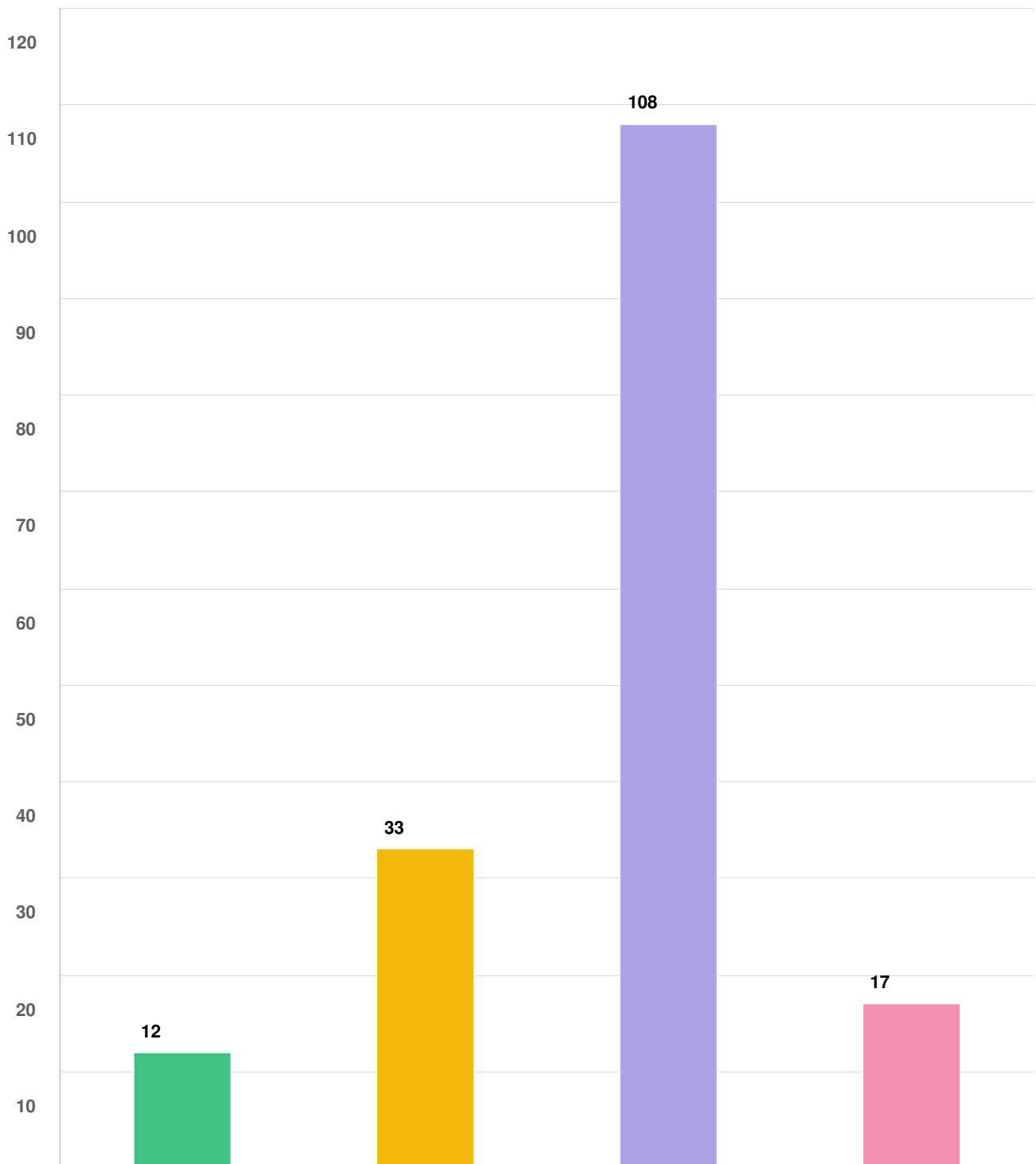
- Other (please describe):
- I am bothered regularly by a nearby vacation rental
- I have been occasionally bothered by a nearby vacation rental
- I haven't been bothered by nearby vacation rentals

Optional question (168 response(s), 4 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

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

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

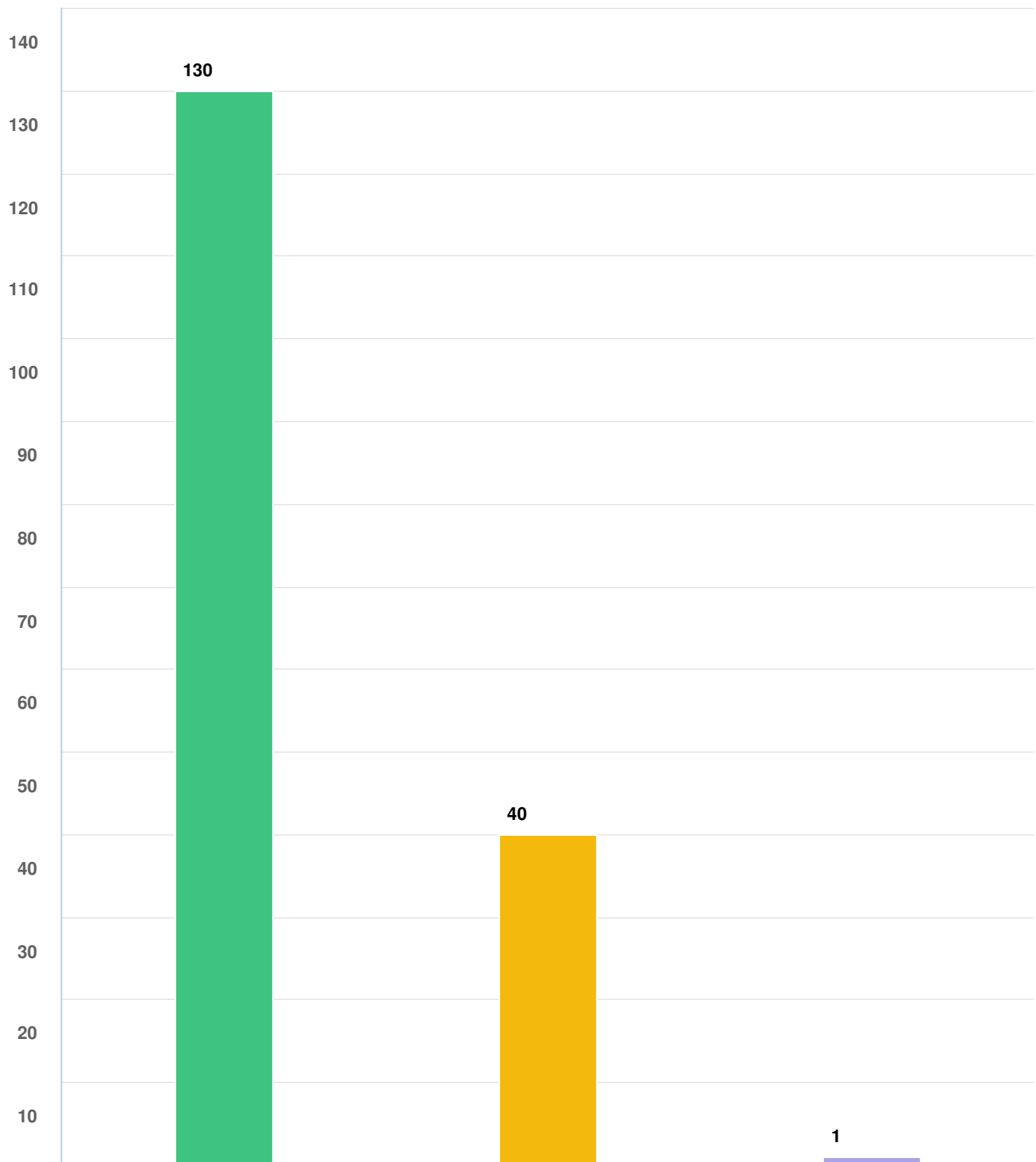
● Other (please specify)/comments: ● Not applicable ● No ● Yes

Optional question (167 response(s), 5 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

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

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



Question options

- Don't know
- No
- Yes

Optional question (171 response(s), 1 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

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

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

Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 07:12 AM	Privacy is the main reason. Hotels are way overpriced and you receive nothing . People take care of their private rentals far better than any hotel ever would. Bed and breakfasts are again not private either.
Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 08:12 AM	No other option available
Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 08:33 AM	Lack of availability, prefer privacy.
Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 09:06 AM	When travelling with children vacation rentals made vacations affordable vs staying in a hotel and eating out. With or without children we prefer the space and privacy and the options of cooking meals, laundry and comfort of staying in a home and we stay longer than just a few days as we would in a hotel.
Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 09:10 AM	Location
Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 09:19 AM	Needed accommodation for large family
Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 09:34 AM	It was available & there were no hotels available.
Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 09:42 AM	space for a family of 5, cook and entertain on site, much cheaper than hotels
Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 09:41 AM	Better family accommodations.
Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 09:46 AM	Kitchen
Screen Name Redacted	Location.

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Gave my family a cheaper option for sleeping while all being able to have a common area to hangout in. Having a full kitchen meant we could cook our own food.

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Needed a longer term stay.

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location was better, there was a full kitchen and 2 bedrooms, i was able to save money by not eating out as much.

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Everything sold out

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Less expensive than a traditional hotel. Provided more space for our group including amenities like kitchen and laundry.

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Yes.

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Closer to actual residents. Unique stays.

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We were part of a large group that wanted to share common space while on holiday.

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More room and more comfortable.

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Lower cost and having the place to ourselves

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It is much more convenient and usually cheaper

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Less expensive, felt more like a home

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Cleaner

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More intimate experience

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It's a lot more convenient. Having a kitchen, and supplies to enjoy a space rather than a hotel room with just a bed. It creates a sense of place and feels like I'm at home when I air bnb rather than hotel.

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Could sleep and stay together with my extended family. More children space and cooking space. Laundry, yard etc.

1/11/2023 05:17 PM

Screen Name Redacted

Enjoy meeting local people and getting their local information and view points. Pricing was much more affordable then hotels. More amenities available to self cater.

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We stay at both during a recent visit to ITALY

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The complex in Hawaii was built specifically to allow vacation rentals and is primarily and temp housing area not residential.

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Needed a kitchen, storage for bike, cheaper and quieter than a motel.

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Family convenience

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Availability Length of stay

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long term rental condo in California

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Space and flexibility

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Screen Name Redacted

Access to a house with kitchen for longterm stay.

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Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 08:58 PM	Better options, better locations, better pricing
Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 10:18 PM	I prefer VRBOs because I can cook for myself, they are generally cleaner, and I prefer to be away from city centres.
Screen Name Redacted 1/11/2023 10:43 PM	Better quality accommodation than the hotels
Screen Name Redacted 1/12/2023 07:17 AM	More comfortable than a hotel. We also like to have a full kitchen to prepare our own food.
Screen Name Redacted 1/12/2023 01:13 PM	Price comparisons
Screen Name Redacted 1/12/2023 02:49 PM	had a baby (and now children) and want to be on own schedule (ie kitchen) plus more space for sleeping and naps with doors (unlike a 4 person motel room)!
Screen Name Redacted 1/12/2023 03:33 PM	Less expensive.
Screen Name Redacted 1/12/2023 06:36 PM	The place we went did not have a hotel/motel Another time it was the cheapest option vs a hotel/motel
Screen Name Redacted 1/12/2023 07:56 PM	More space, cheaper and would rather pay a homeowner than a corporation
Screen Name Redacted 1/12/2023 09:09 PM	Access to laundry and kitchen, also more of a Home feel. Happy to help individual people instead of big businesses.
Screen Name Redacted 1/13/2023 02:37 PM	we were a family of 6 and wanted to have space available for relatives that lived close by
Screen Name Redacted 1/13/2023 04:05 PM	It's social, affordable, meet new people
Screen Name Redacted 1/14/2023 10:12 AM	Convenient, economical, accommodated a family.

Screen Name Redacted 1/14/2023 10:54 AM	It was in a downtown commercial area in a large city- in a tourist area
Screen Name Redacted 1/14/2023 12:29 PM	Made more sense to rent a vacation home for a week then stay in a hotel . Provide more comfort
Screen Name Redacted 1/14/2023 12:57 PM	It was cheaper and offered a more home-like setting
Screen Name Redacted 1/14/2023 03:37 PM	Convenient
Screen Name Redacted 1/14/2023 05:00 PM	More accommodating for families with multiple kids, nice to have full kitchen.
Screen Name Redacted 1/15/2023 12:58 AM	Space
Screen Name Redacted 1/15/2023 07:52 AM	They are often cleaner, offer more amenities such as kitchen, private pool or hot tub, offer privacy, are usually quite than staying in a hotel and are often cheaper
Screen Name Redacted 1/16/2023 11:15 AM	It's less expensive. We like cooking for ourselves. We like being secluded (as compared to a hotel). We like the feel of a person's home as opposed to a hotel.
Screen Name Redacted 1/16/2023 10:51 AM	More rooms and amenities for our family. Most hotels/motels are only a single room with no separate bedrooms for kids. Having a kitchen is also valuable so we don't have to eat every meal at a restaurant.
Screen Name Redacted 1/16/2023 12:06 PM	Location
Screen Name Redacted 1/16/2023 05:26 PM	location and value
Screen Name Redacted 1/17/2023 03:51 PM	All amenities featured by a home and location

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1/18/2023 11:45 AM

I had no alternative, as it was a trip arranged through work; had I been able to choose, I would have selected a hotel.

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1/18/2023 02:14 PM

More amenities. Prefer not to be around a host and would just like somewhere for me and my family to stay that has not to offer than a hotel (ie. Kitchen, laundry, multiple bathrooms).

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1/18/2023 05:54 PM

Hotels are overpriced and lack parking

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1/19/2023 07:52 PM

Economically cheaper for my family to have a vacation. Airbnbs allow us to cook meals at rental where as hotels do not have the same amenities such as full fridge and stove

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1/19/2023 10:46 PM

More space, better pricing

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1/20/2023 09:30 AM

Makes for a much more affordable vacation, more money is then spent in the community we're staying in.

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1/20/2023 02:40 PM

Availability

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Over the past 20 years, we have stayed in several (25 or so) Bed and Breakfasts, and more vacation rentals (80 or so). There are only the 2 of us. We often travel for long periods of time and enjoy the use of kitchen and extra space. We like B&Bs for the connection to the local area and for the interaction with other guests. We have stayed in a few B&B where the host was not on-site. Not the best experiences. Many, many of the the vacation rentals had an onsite host available for interaction and problem solving.- a reassuring set-up. In fact for years the rentals were mainly part of the owner's - a suite behind, above, below or across the driveway from the owner. Over the last few years, we have encountered more rentals operated by an absent owner/manager - and that is not our preference.

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1/22/2023 11:42 AM

Better to accommodate 5 people who want to cook.

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1/22/2023 04:29 PM

good to accommodate large family gatherings or smaller groups sharing accomodation

Screen Name Redacted 1/23/2023 04:58 PM	In Paris. Friend recommended the street; airbnb was available; was cheaper for our family of 3; hotel not nearby.
Screen Name Redacted 1/23/2023 05:15 PM	Better
Screen Name Redacted 1/23/2023 06:26 PM	Feels less institutionalized more like home; unique locations, local insights from a host; ability to travel & share expenses with friends/ family members. In Okanagan- a lot of hotels and motels are substandard / not appealing and staying at someone's else home is a nice choice.
Screen Name Redacted 1/23/2023 10:10 PM	stayed with other families
Screen Name Redacted 1/23/2023 10:33 PM	I enjoy supporting locals and have known many to benefit from staying with family members while renting their home out.
Screen Name Redacted 1/24/2023 04:01 PM	Suitability for our group
Screen Name Redacted 1/24/2023 07:35 PM	Location. Needing private kitchen (food sensitivities)
Screen Name Redacted 1/25/2023 04:21 PM	Large family, meals, place to relax, cost
Screen Name Redacted 1/25/2023 04:51 PM	We have stayed in VRBO's all over the world. They are much better than other accommodations especially for longer stays. Your hosts provide more information than tourist information centers. Most have easy to use instructions that let you understand all local rules and how to access services. B&B's are only good for an overnight stay. Hotels with daily food costs (Eating out) make it out of reach for many families. VRBO ratings are far more accurate than likes on a web site.
Screen Name Redacted 1/25/2023 05:59 PM	Pet friendly

Screen Name Redacted 1/25/2023 09:12 PM	Cheaper and personal
Screen Name Redacted 1/25/2023 09:24 PM	Price, options, locations, comfort, space, large group
Screen Name Redacted 1/26/2023 10:47 AM	large group
Screen Name Redacted 1/26/2023 09:50 PM	Price
Screen Name Redacted 1/27/2023 12:16 AM	lack of hotels
Screen Name Redacted 1/28/2023 12:28 PM	Location, facilities, and type of accommodation
Screen Name Redacted 1/31/2023 01:47 PM	Cheaper
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 11:29 AM	Cheaper.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 11:39 AM	Privacy comfort amenities
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 11:47 AM	Cheaper, more interesting
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 01:36 PM	Better range of options, easier to book
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:13 PM	More affordable and a better experience then a cold and sterile hotel.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:23 PM	It was a larger accommodation that could accommodate our group
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 12:40 PM	Better vacation experience and less cost (ability to cook own meals etc). Less noise and less crowded

Screen Name Redacted
2/01/2023 12:51 PM

More amenities such as kitchen, yard. Bigger space, private bedrooms. Less expensive and more availability to find exactly what I want.

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2/01/2023 01:05 PM

More family friendly, more economical for a family, kitchen

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2/01/2023 01:10 PM

I prefer being in a quite residential neighborhood and having privacy.

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2/01/2023 01:22 PM

Vacation rentals are family-friendly, usually immersed within the community, allows you to meet new people and have deep conversations and recommendation. It is also my #1 way to explore a new community. Our family visited Summerland via Airbnb for years before we decided to purchase a home here. Without short term rentals that would not have been our path. There are only two hotels I know of in Summerland and without short term rentals, you're giving up that tourism to Kelowna, Penticton, etc. Having a requirement to use a locally-based licensed property manager satisfies the safety (smoke alarm, requirement, proper reporting, ability to respond to noise complaints, etc) would be a fantastic compromise here.

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Ability to have a more family oriented vacation exper

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2/01/2023 01:55 PM

More comfortable. Like having your own home away from home.

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2/01/2023 02:02 PM

Family home. Nicer than a hotel.

Screen Name Redacted
2/01/2023 02:09 PM

Privacy and wanted use of a kitchen so didn't have to eat out.

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2/01/2023 03:13 PM

Large group, long stay, no nearby hotels/motels.

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2/01/2023 03:54 PM

Unique accommodations, quiet and out of the way, home-like environment

Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 04:27 PM	A personable contact with owner or manager; more room and amenities at less cost than a hotel or motel
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 05:59 PM	More comfortable accommodations and cheaper.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 06:54 PM	Access to parking, full kitchen, beach access, privacy.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 09:06 PM	Was a friends
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 09:46 PM	The space provided was bigger. More peaceful and relaxing. Flexibility.
Screen Name Redacted 2/01/2023 11:17 PM	Traveling with another couple and or with kids vacation rentals allow for budget friendly accommodation that offer a unique environment to enjoy time with each other - and reduce expenses of eating every meal out.
Screen Name Redacted 2/02/2023 07:08 AM	They offered kitchen, outdoor space, and family accommodations
Screen Name Redacted 2/02/2023 08:33 AM	no hotels in the area
Screen Name Redacted 2/02/2023 09:02 AM	Nice location.
Screen Name Redacted 2/02/2023 09:24 AM	Cost, kitchen, multiple bedrooms, bathrooms.
Screen Name Redacted 2/02/2023 12:26 PM	My stay was for 6 weeks
Screen Name Redacted 2/03/2023 04:07 AM	Better value, more comfortable.
Screen Name Redacted 2/04/2023 12:15 PM	Cheaper. Bigger. Felt like home

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2/05/2023 08:18 PM

Cheaper

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2/06/2023 09:33 AM

Family friendly, had our extended family travel with us and we enjoyed the privacy of having a home for our use and being able to prepare our own meals.

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2/07/2023 01:59 PM

Vacation rentals are ususally not in the super touristy areas, generally more private, more cozy, and sometimes less expensive than a regular hotel.

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2/08/2023 11:05 PM

more cozier nicer places to stay nice to support local vaction rebrand give people jobs from cleaners to property managers

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2/09/2023 10:53 PM

Had full use of kitchen and garden/balcony which allowed for a more relaxed stay, with more people.

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2/14/2023 09:42 AM

More like home, keeps groups together and ultimately more economical

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2/14/2023 06:55 PM

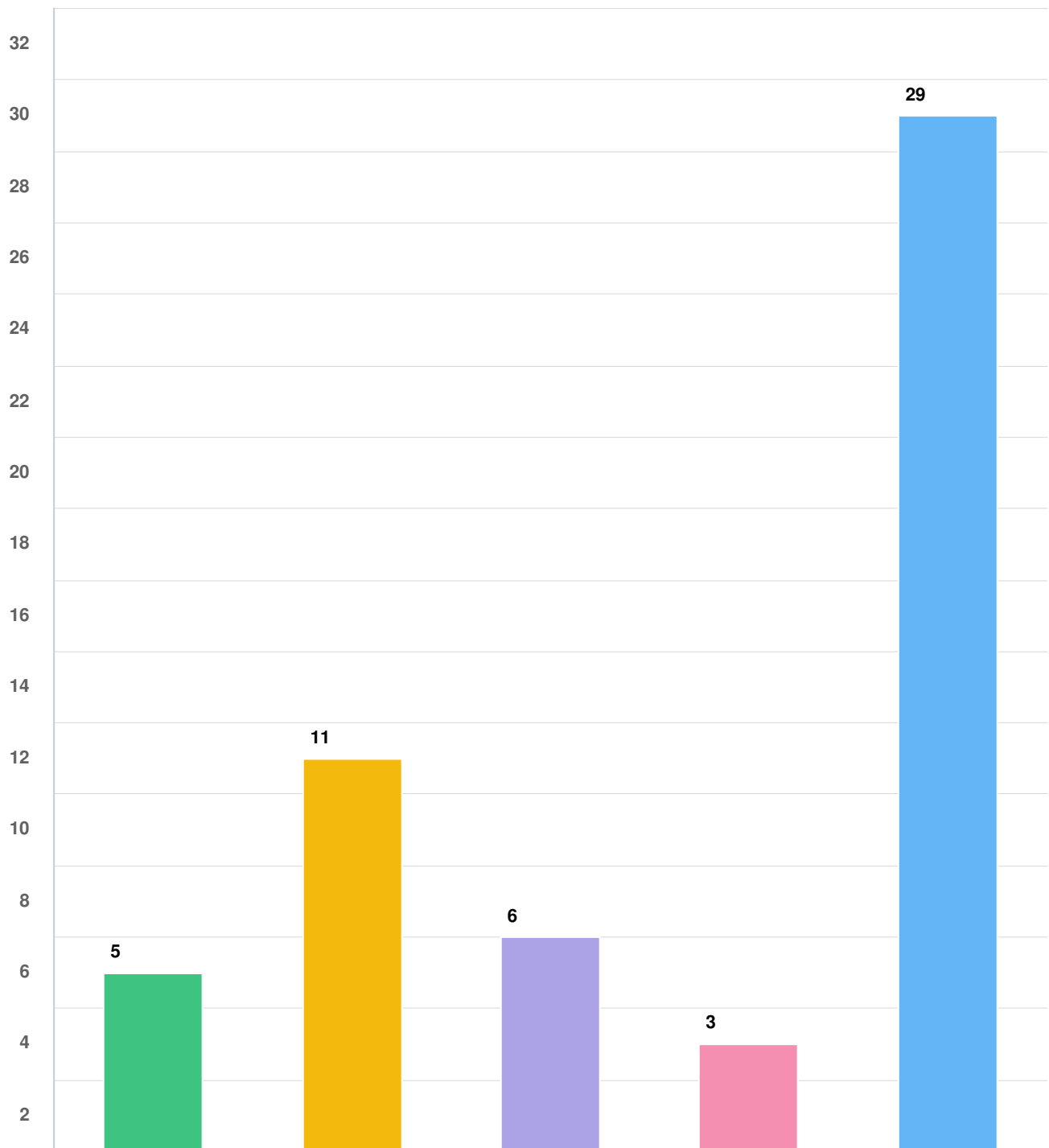
Privacy

Optional question (125 response(s), 47 skipped)

Question type: Essay Question

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

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

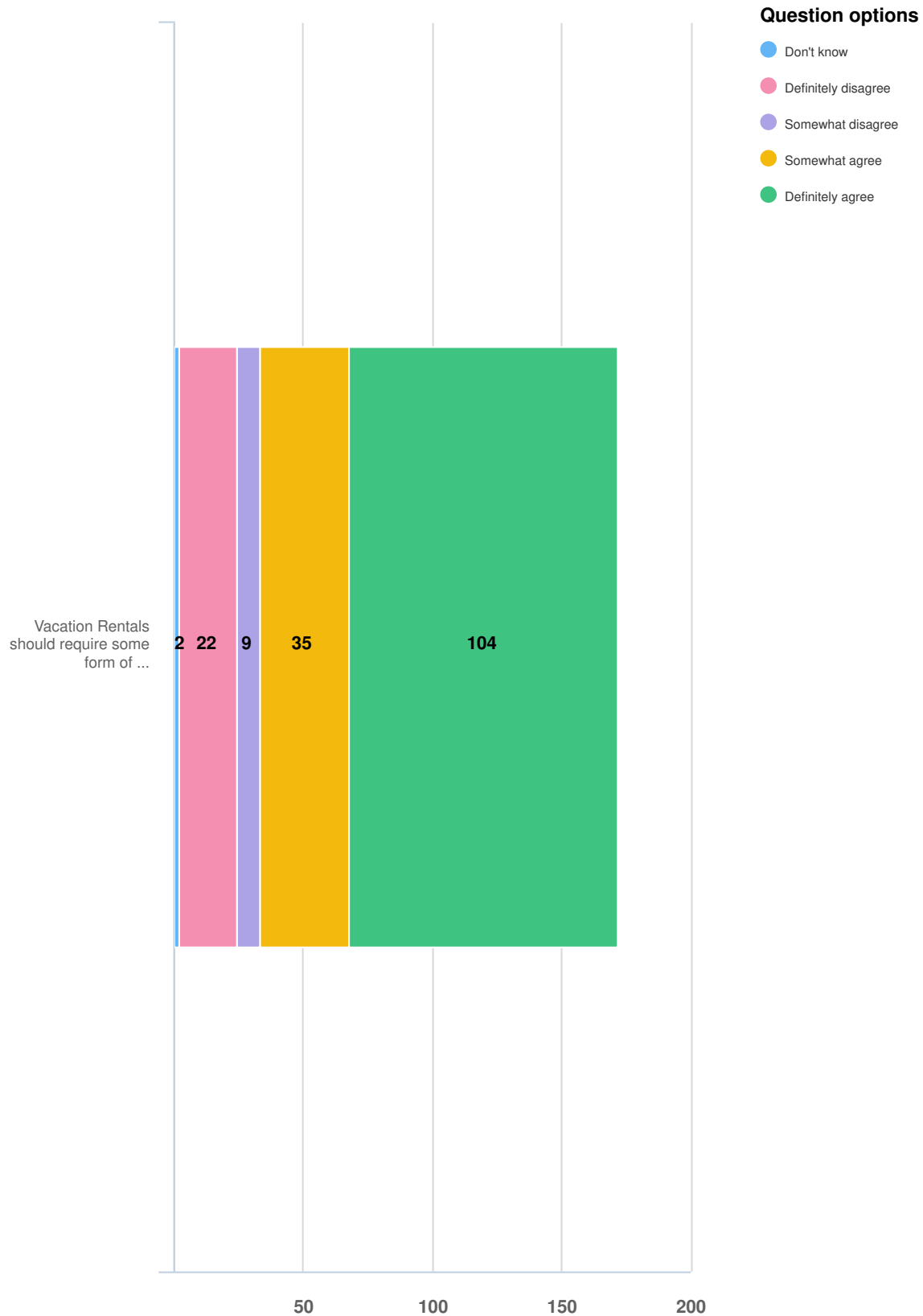
- Other (please specify)
- I didn't think it would get approved
- I believe I should be allowed to rent without any permit
- It was too expensive
- I didn't know I had to

Optional question (48 response(s), 124 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

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

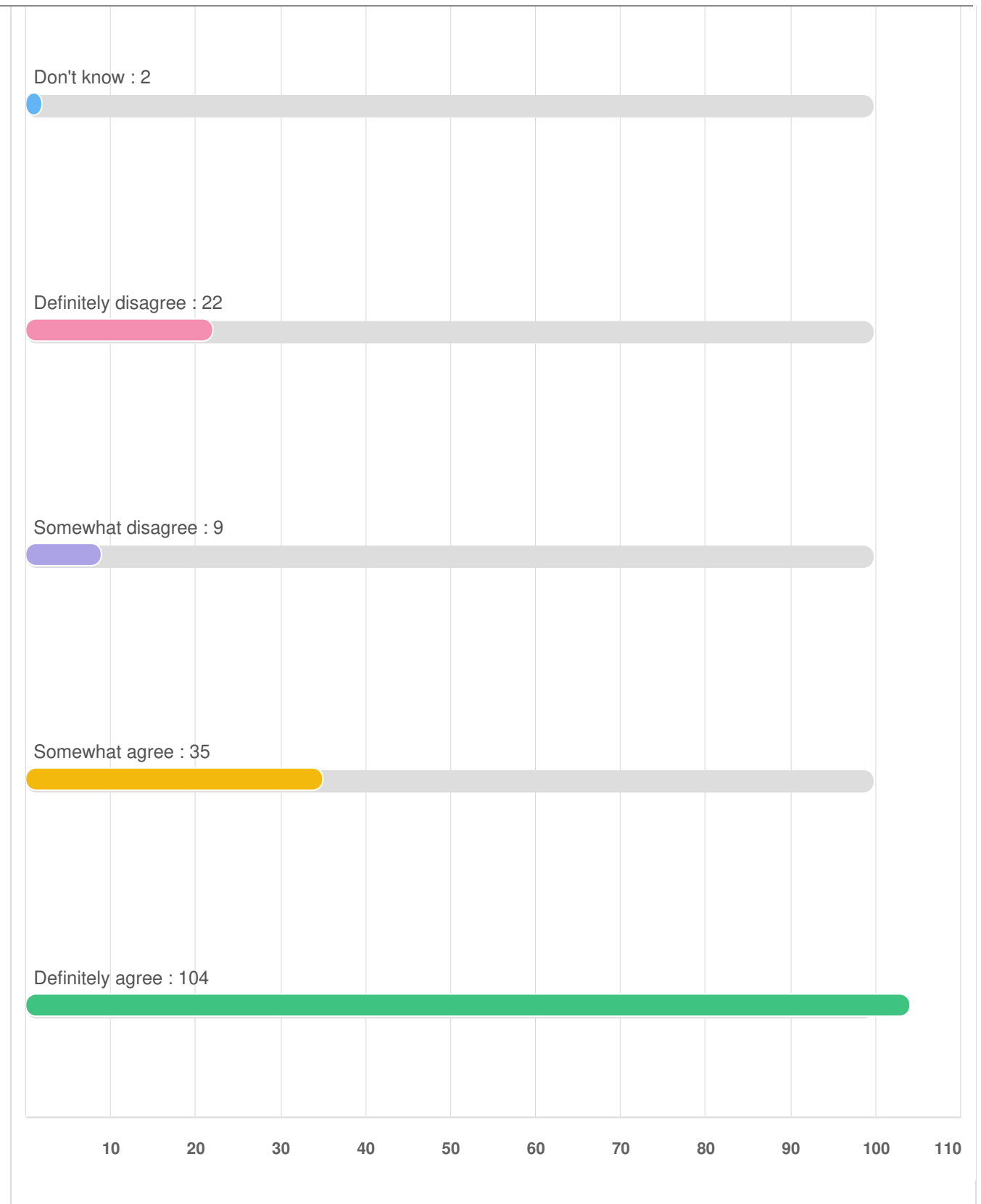


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Vacation Rentals should require some form of permitting from the RDOS.



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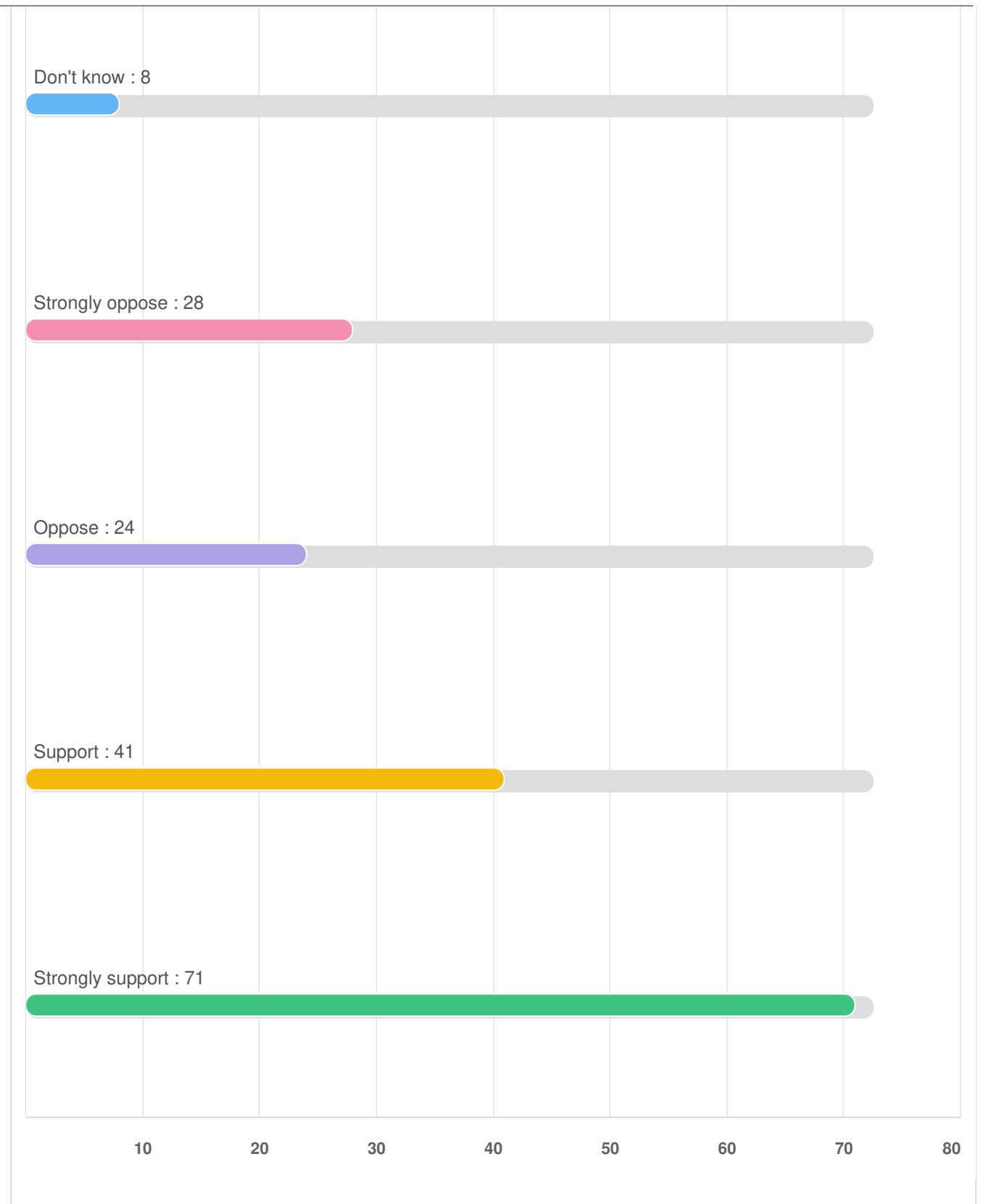


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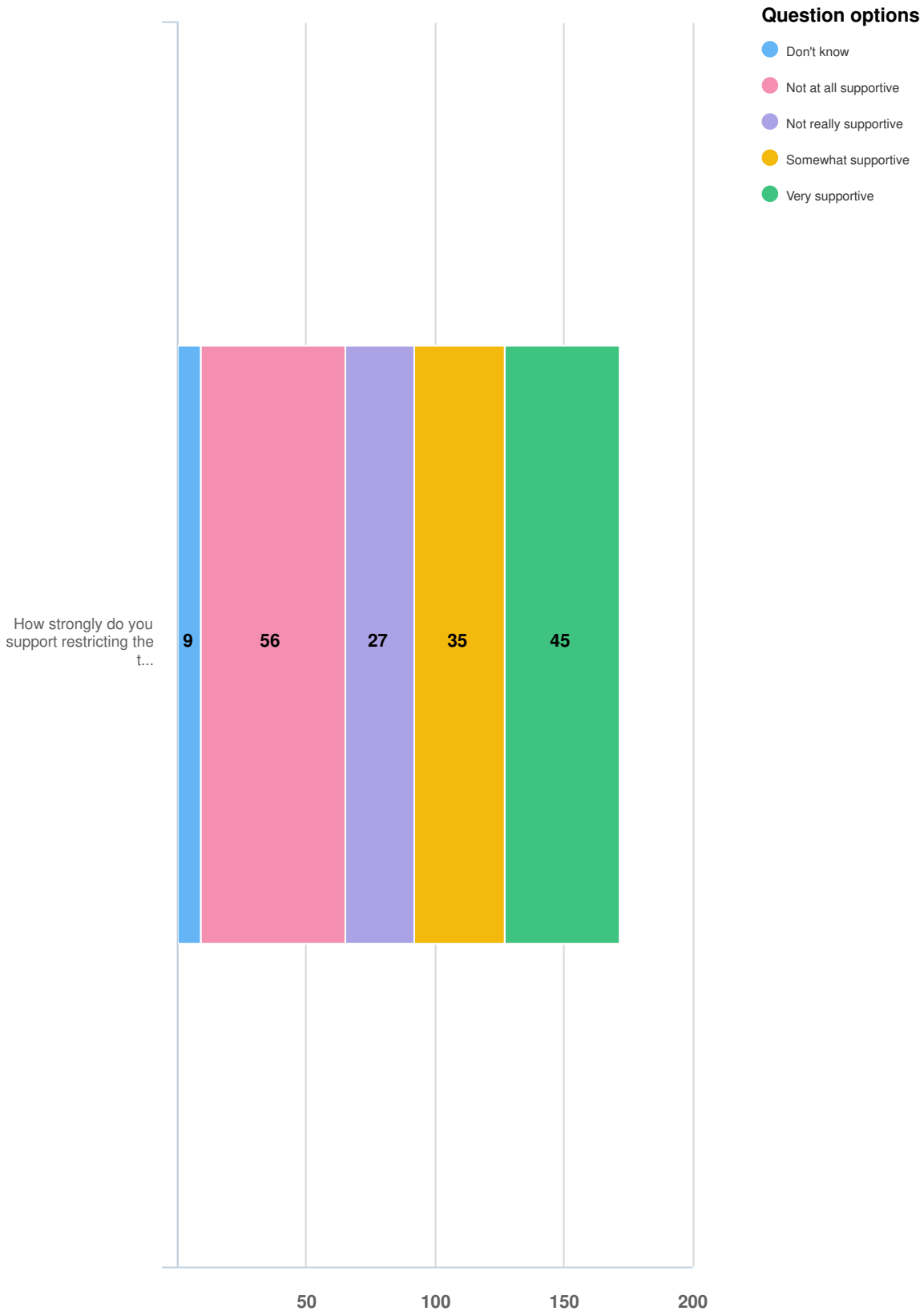
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The RDOS should be more proactive with tracking and enforcing Vacation Rentals



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...

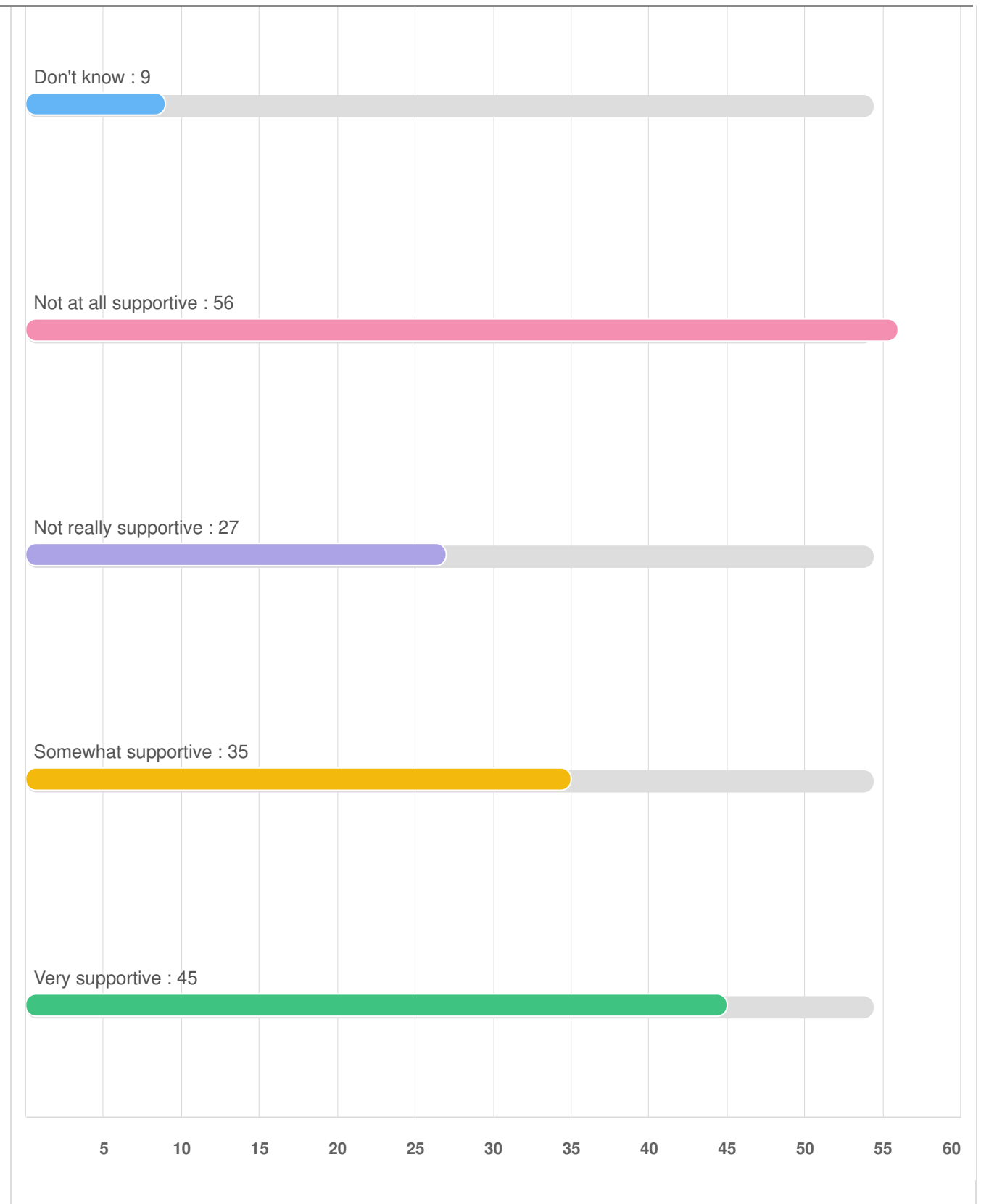


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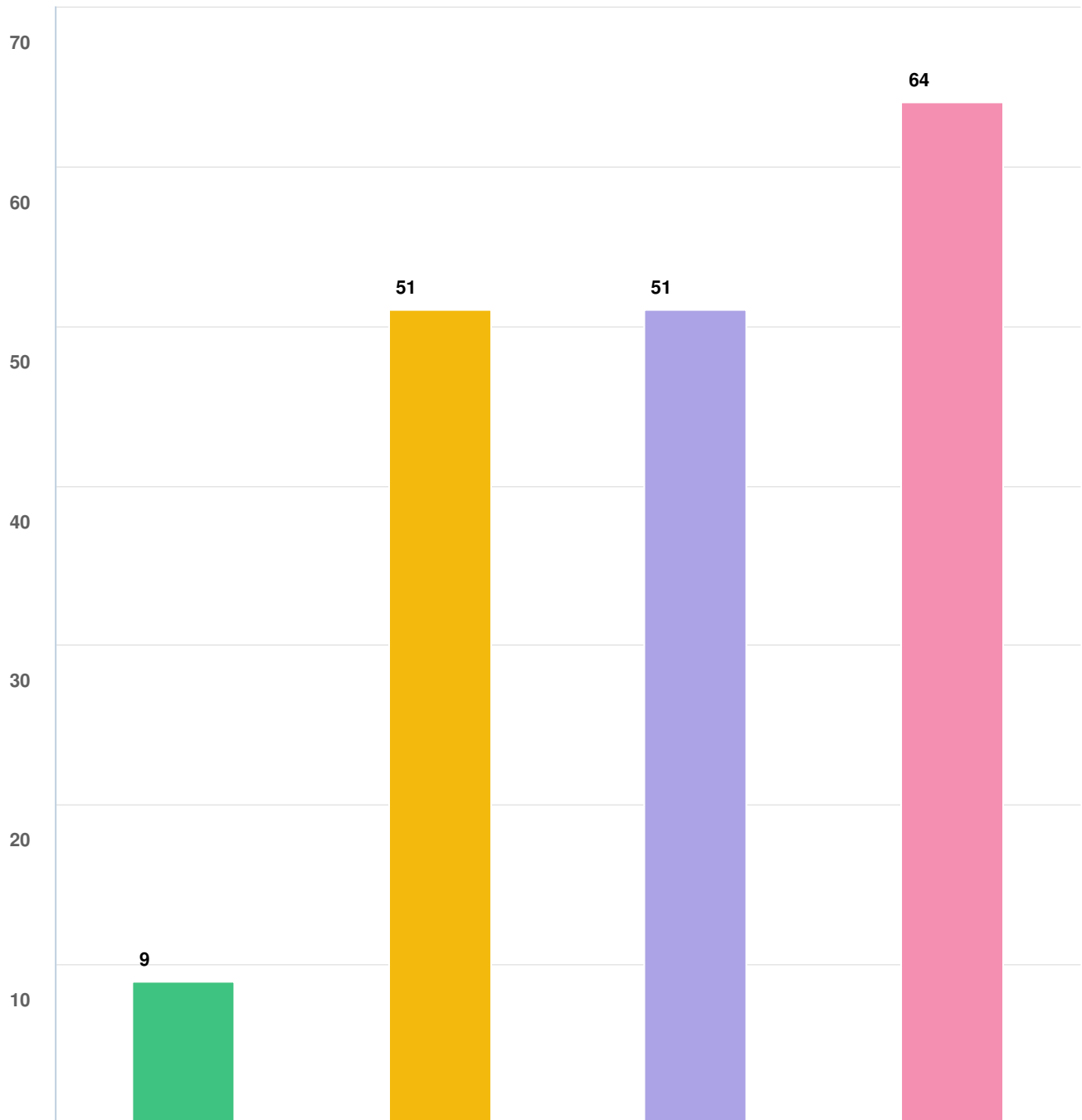
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How strongly do you support restricting the timeframe of operating a Vacation Rental?



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...



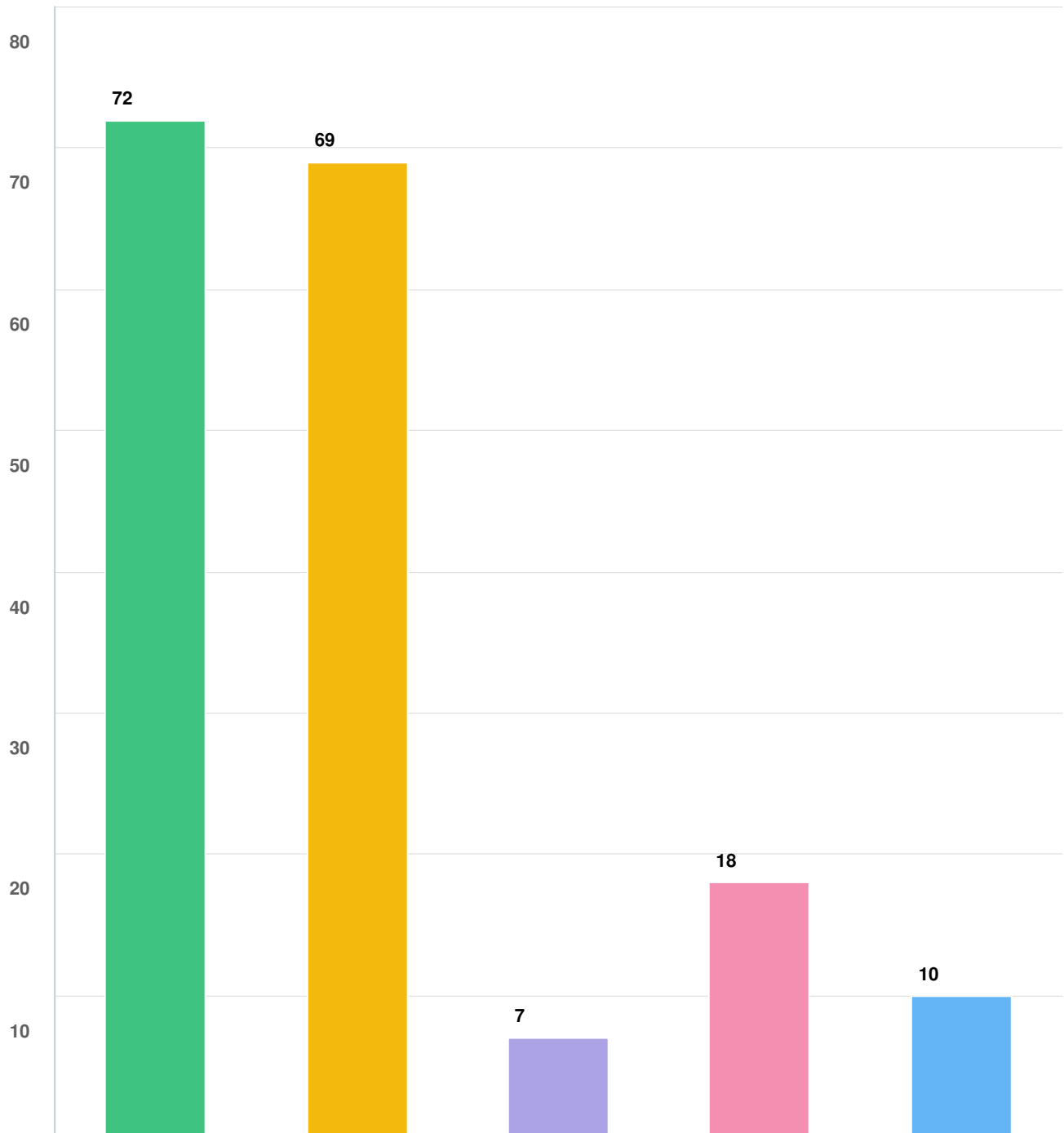
Question options

- 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 (170 response(s), 2 skipped)
Question type: Checkbox Question

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

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.



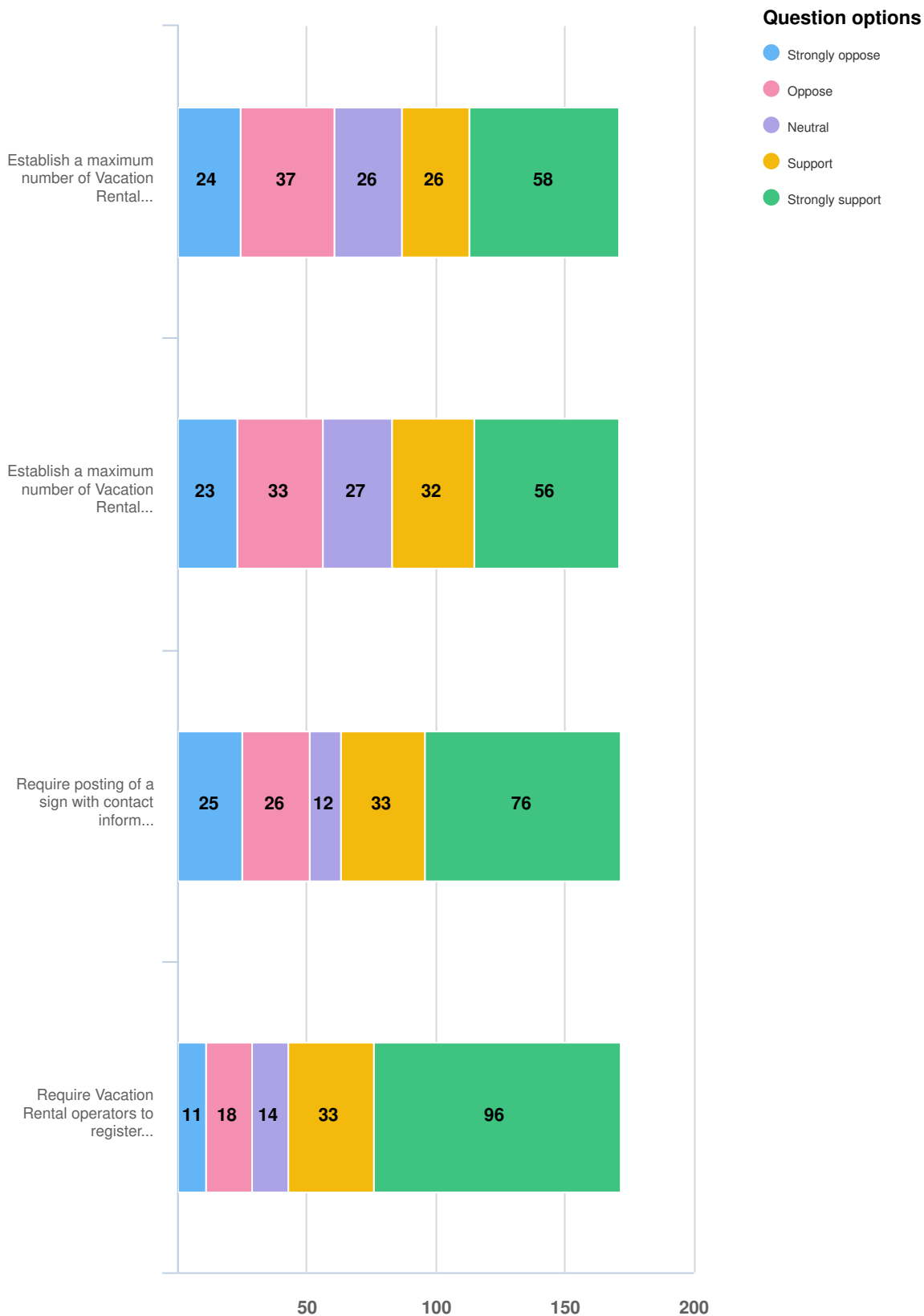
Question options

- 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 (172 response(s), 0 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:



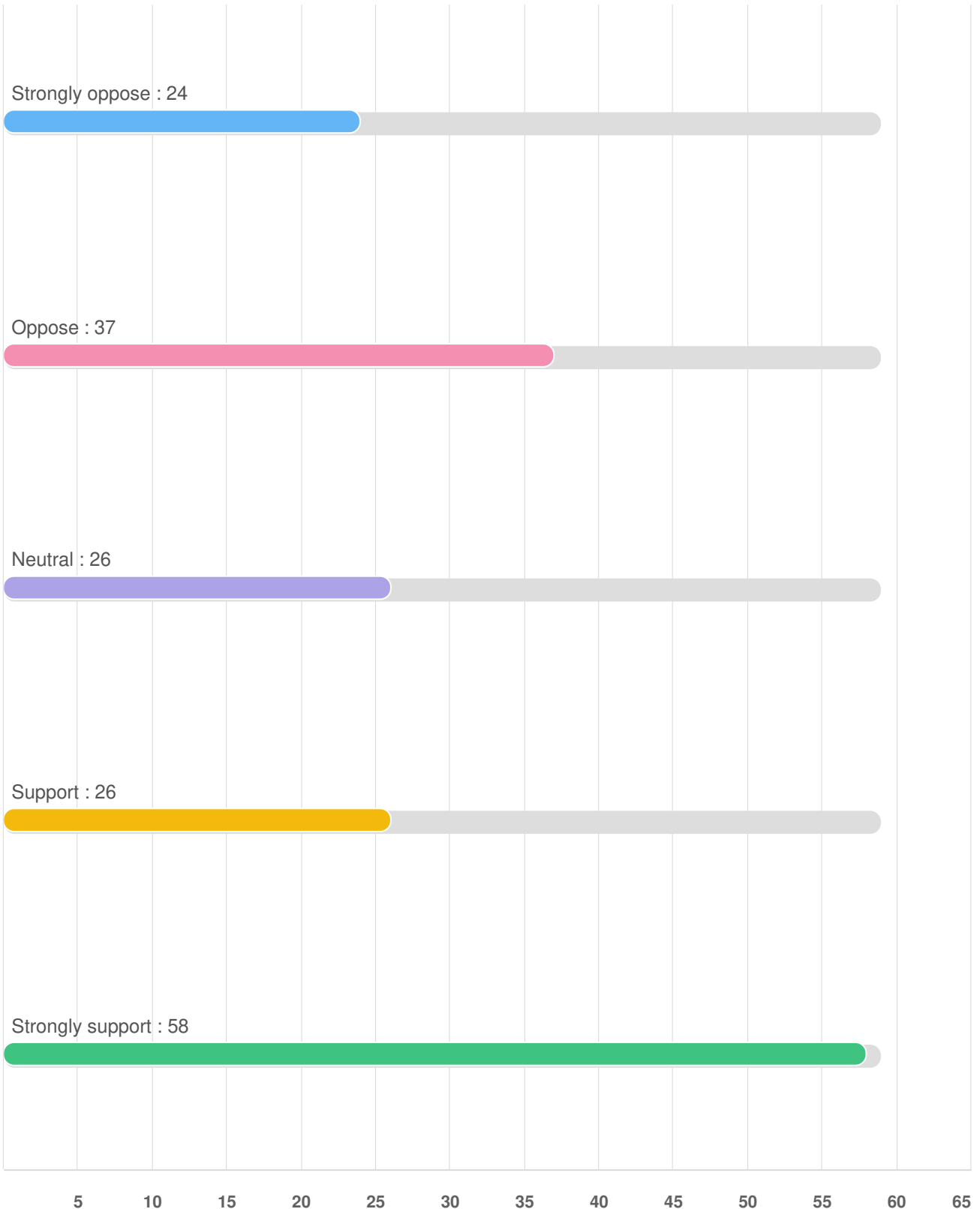
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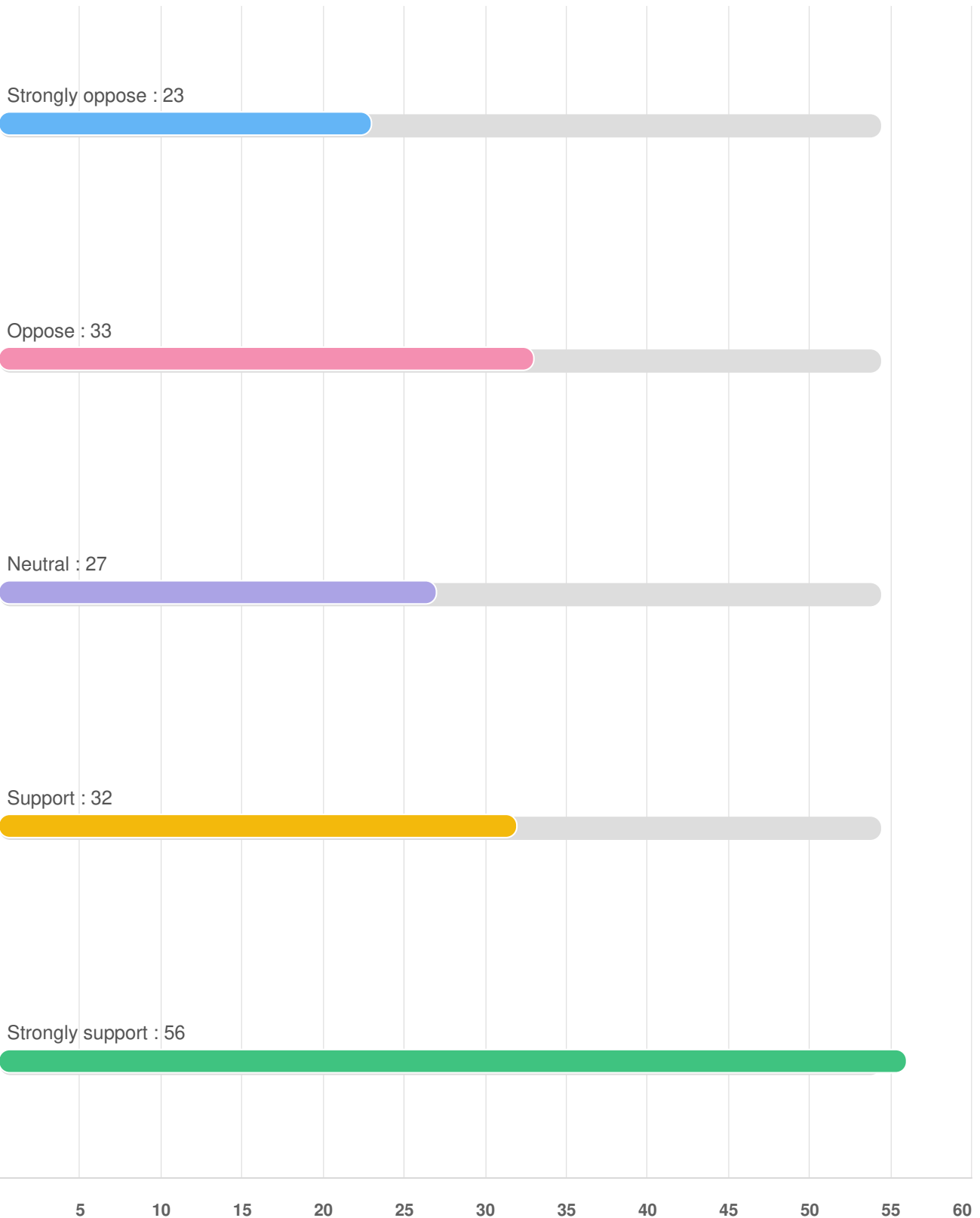
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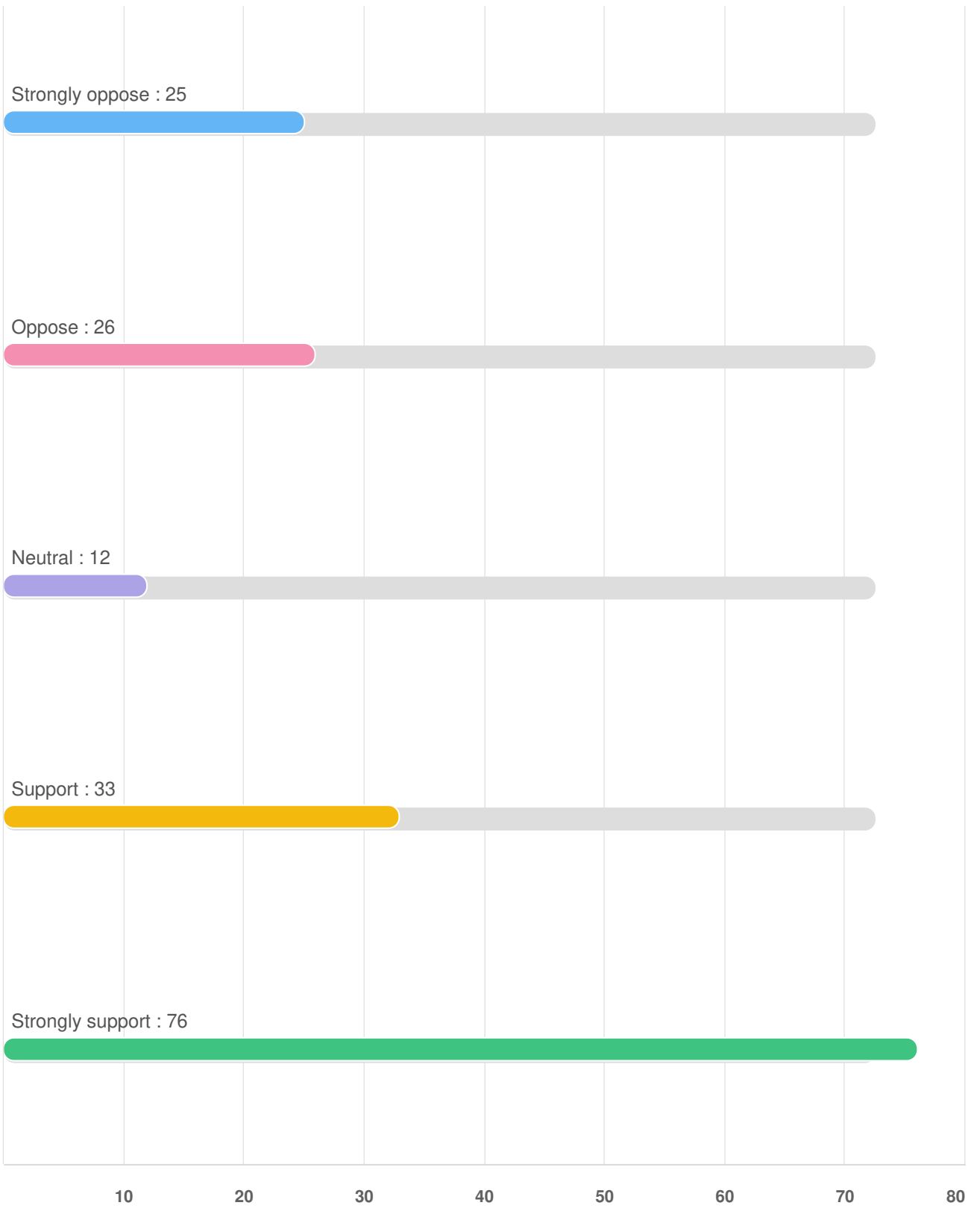
Establish a maximum number of Vacation Rentals allowed within an Electoral Area



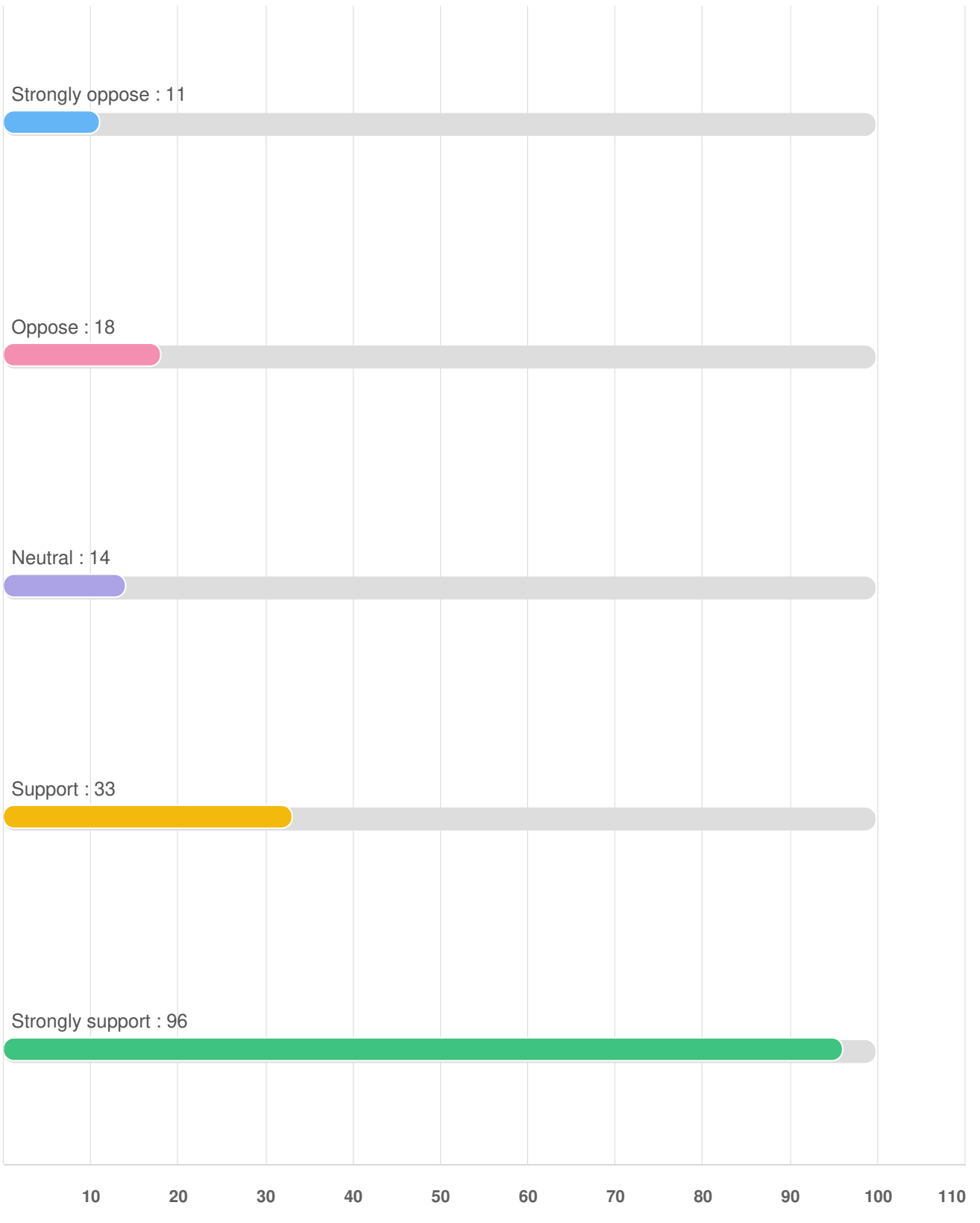
Establish a maximum number of Vacation Rentals allowed within a specific radius (e.g. 250 metres) of each other



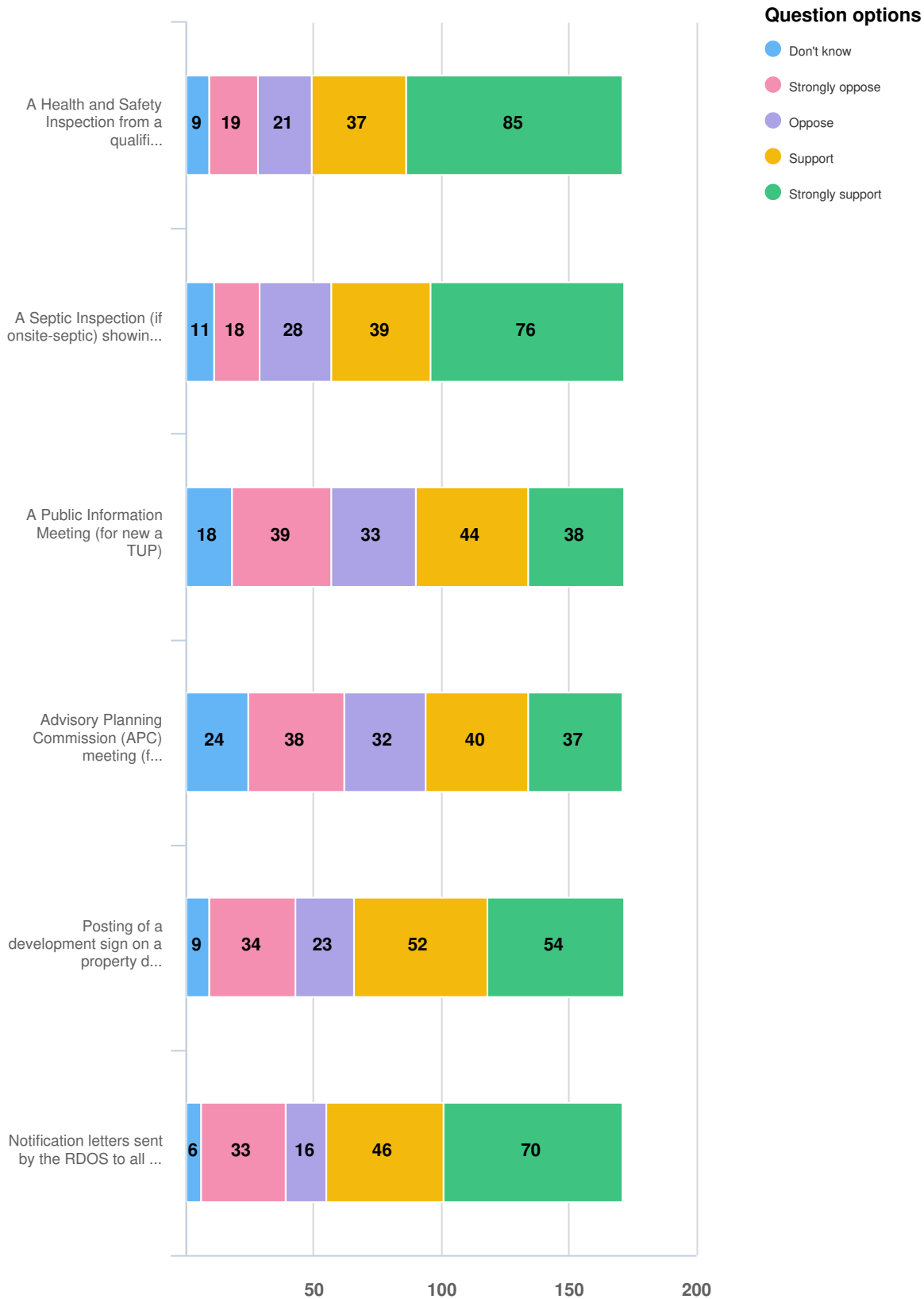
Require posting of a sign with contact information for the Vacation Rental operator that can be seen by neighbours



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...

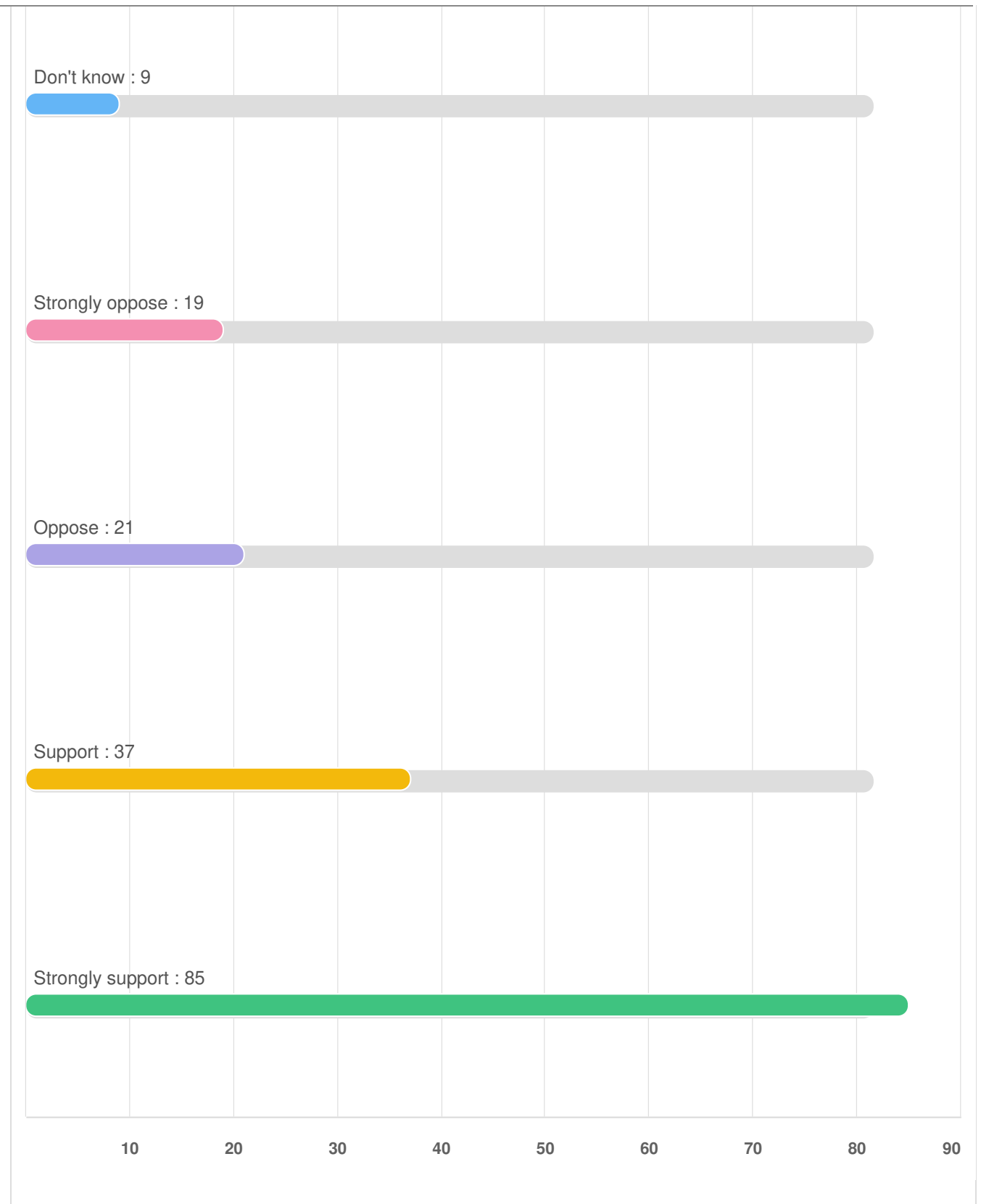


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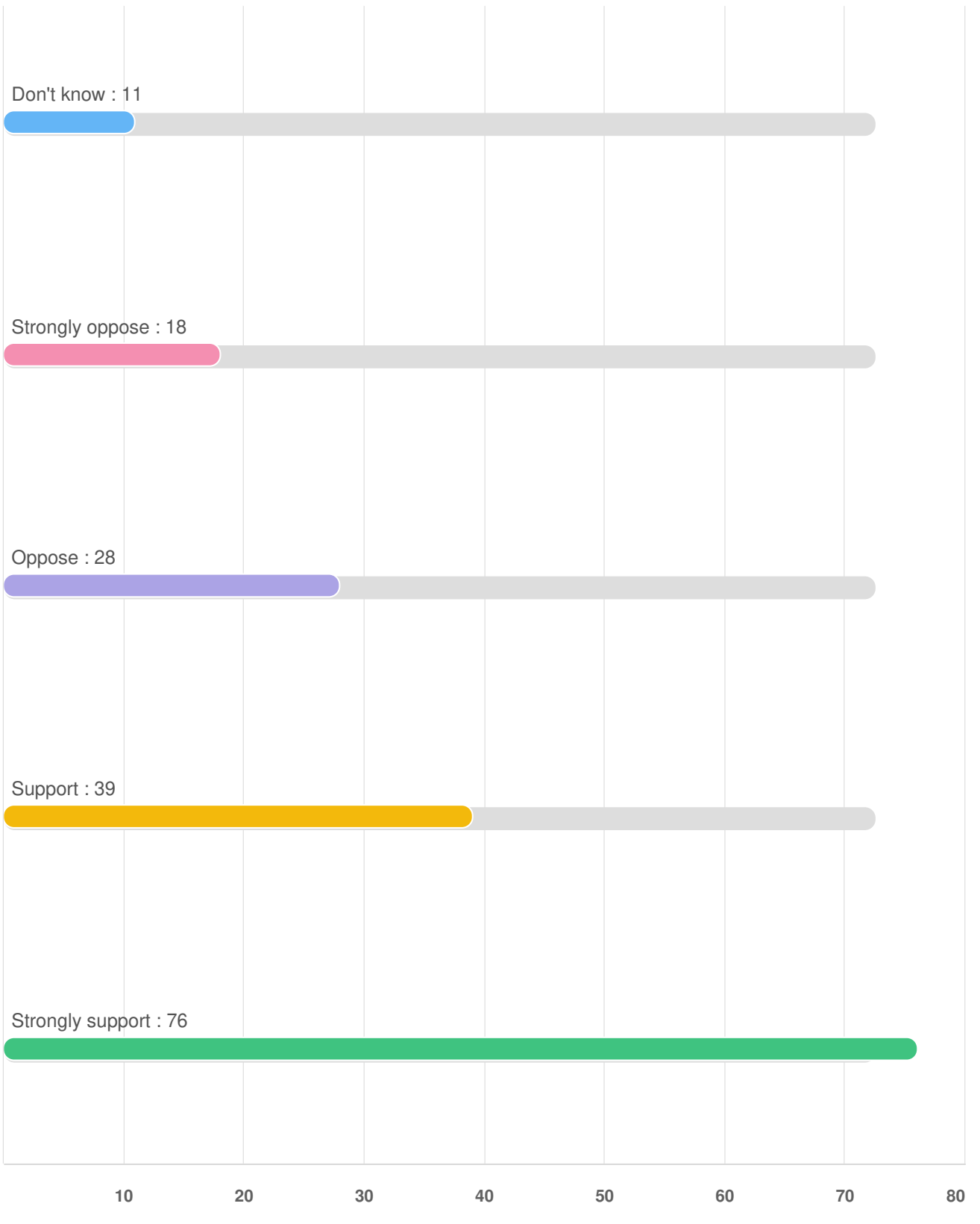
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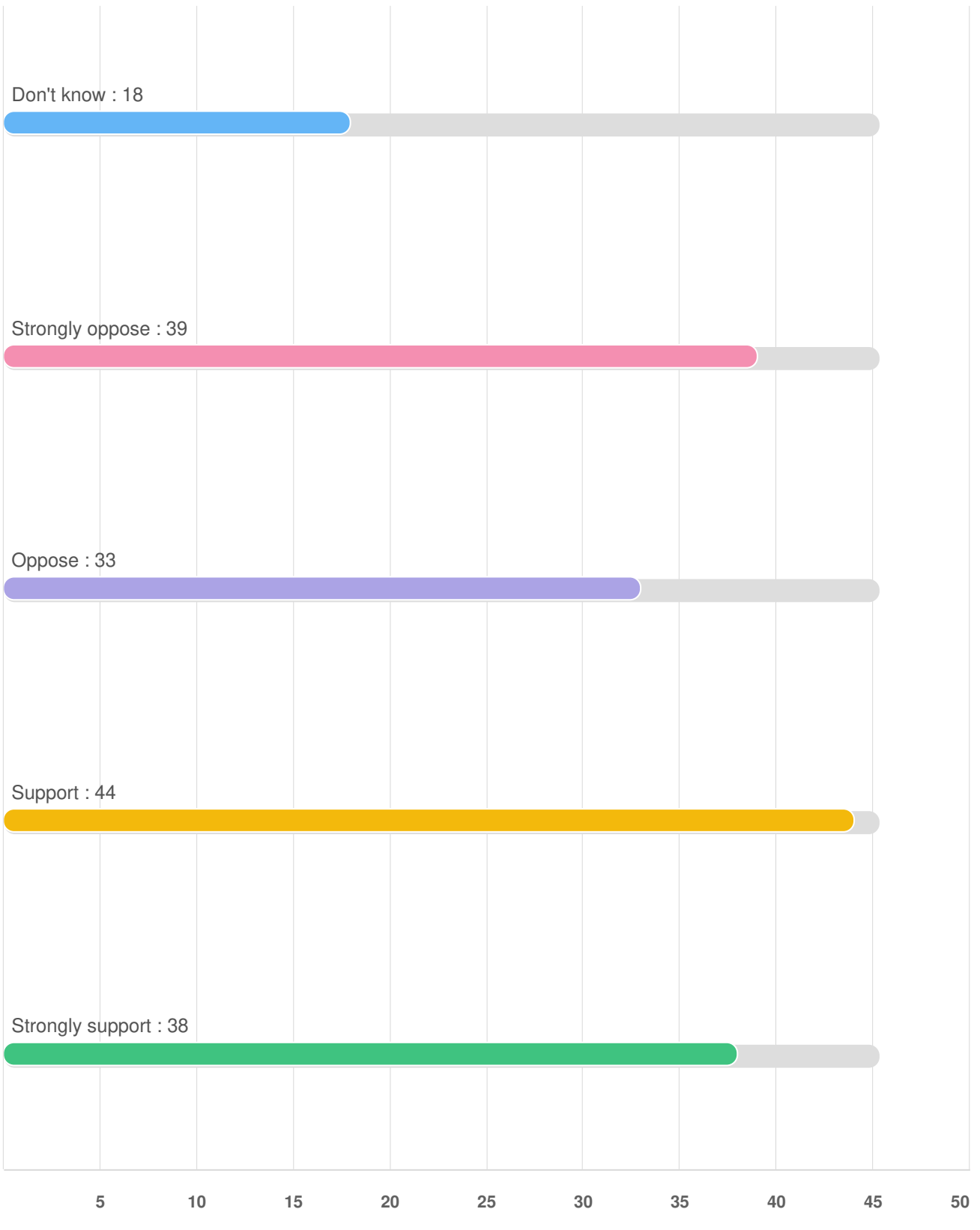
A Health and Safety Inspection from a qualified individual to ensure the building meets minimum safety standards



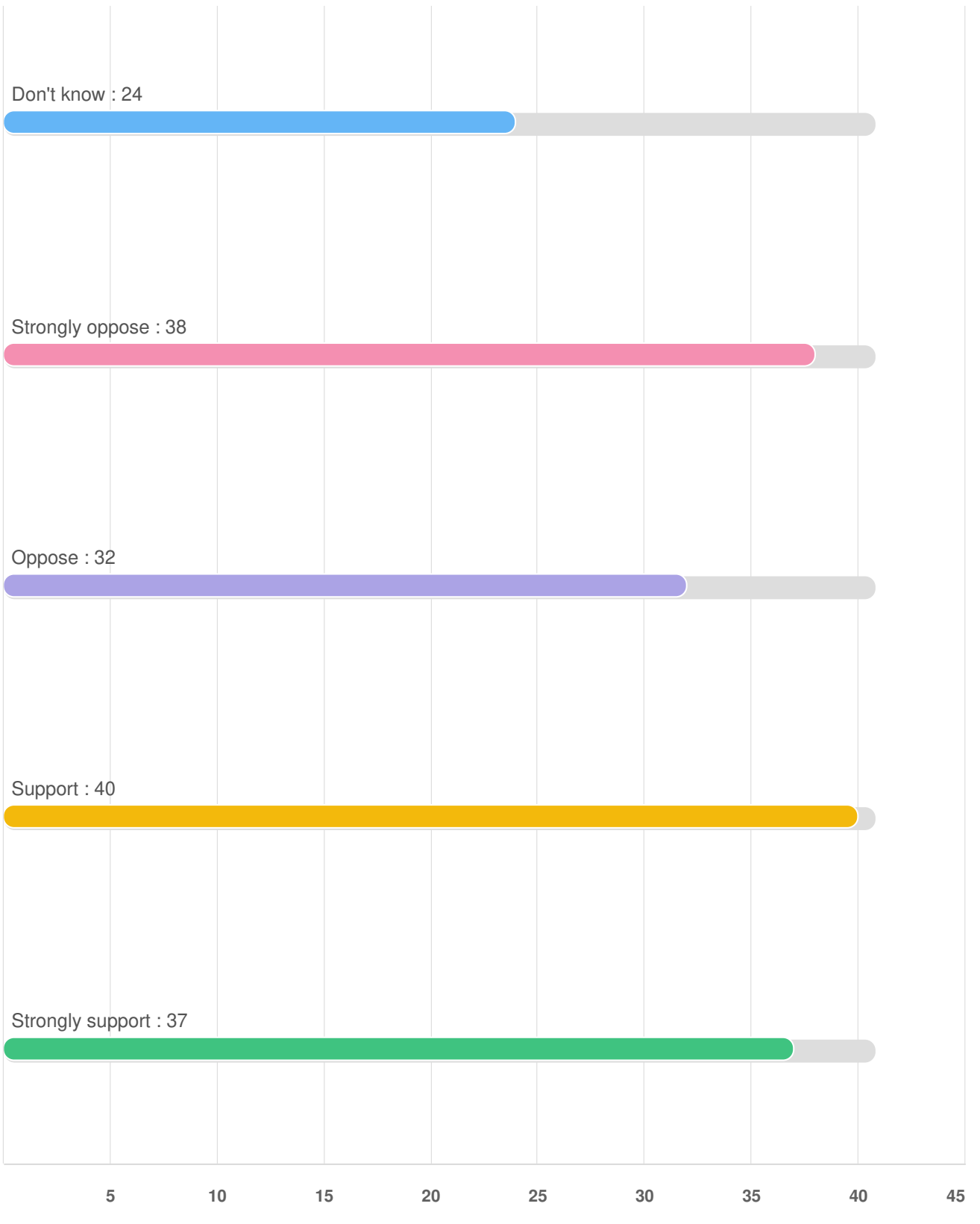
A Septic Inspection (if onsite-septic) showing the septic system is in good working order



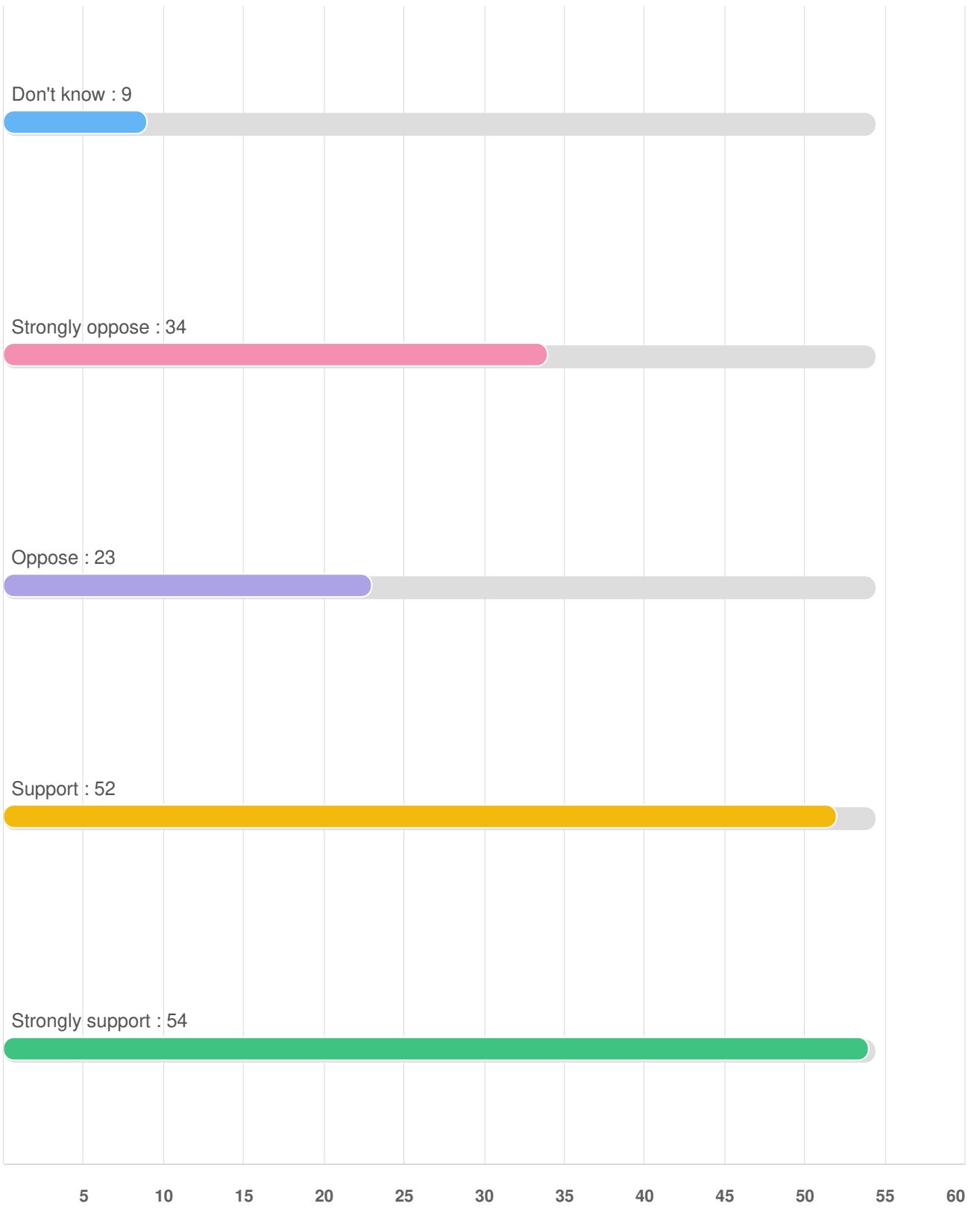
A Public Information Meeting (for new a TUP)



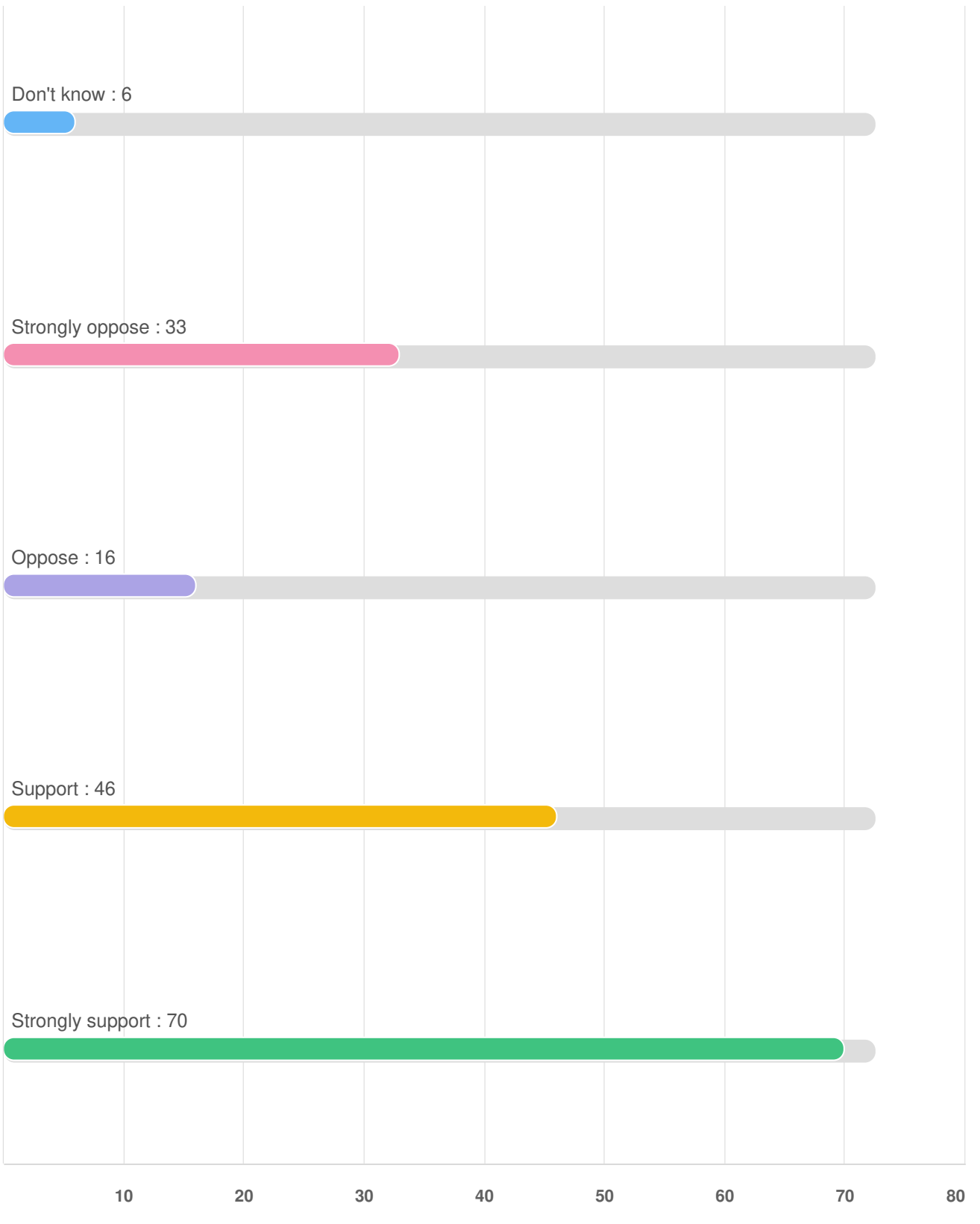
Advisory Planning Commission (APC) meeting (for a new TUP)



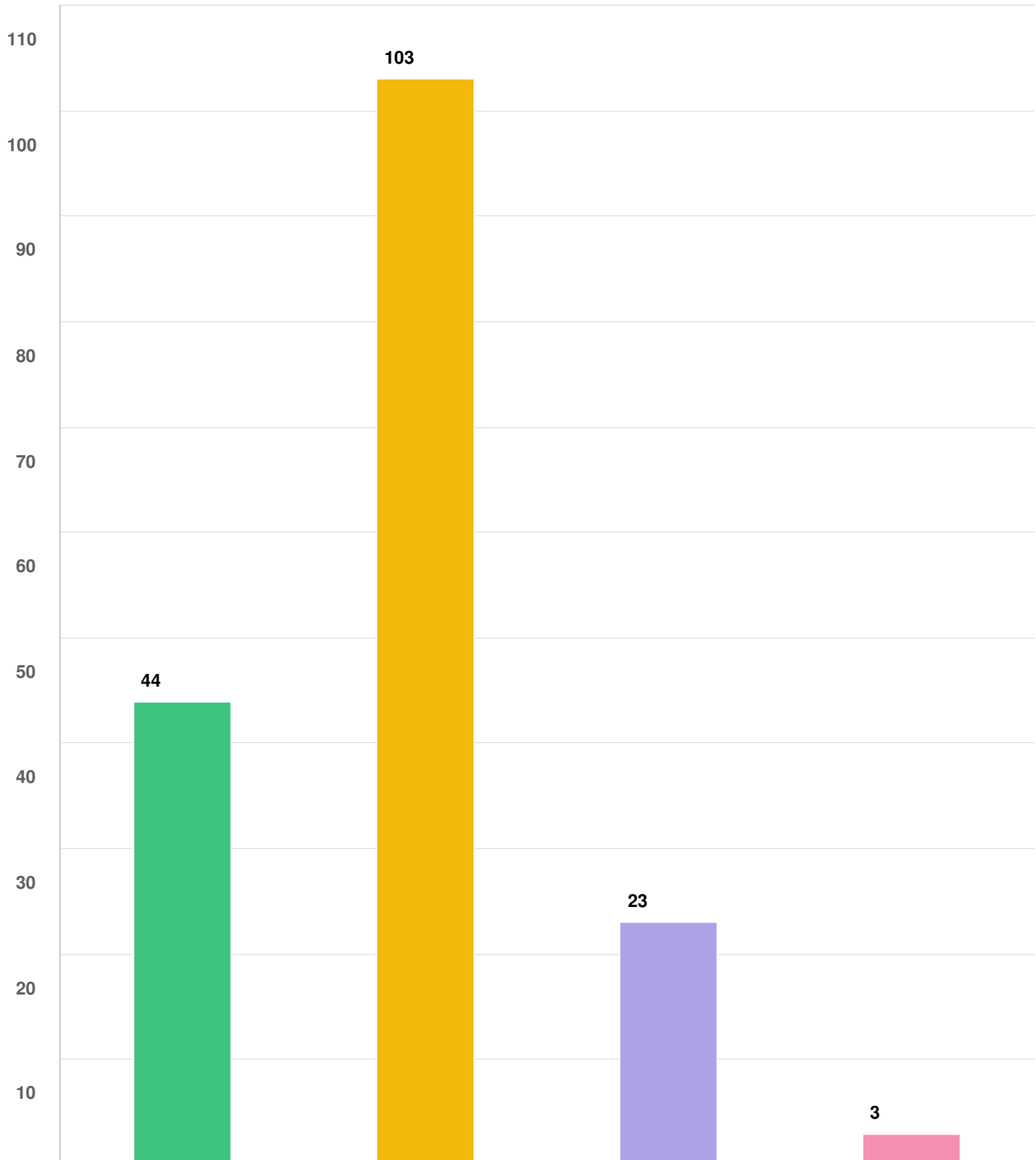
Posting of a development sign on a property during the application process



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

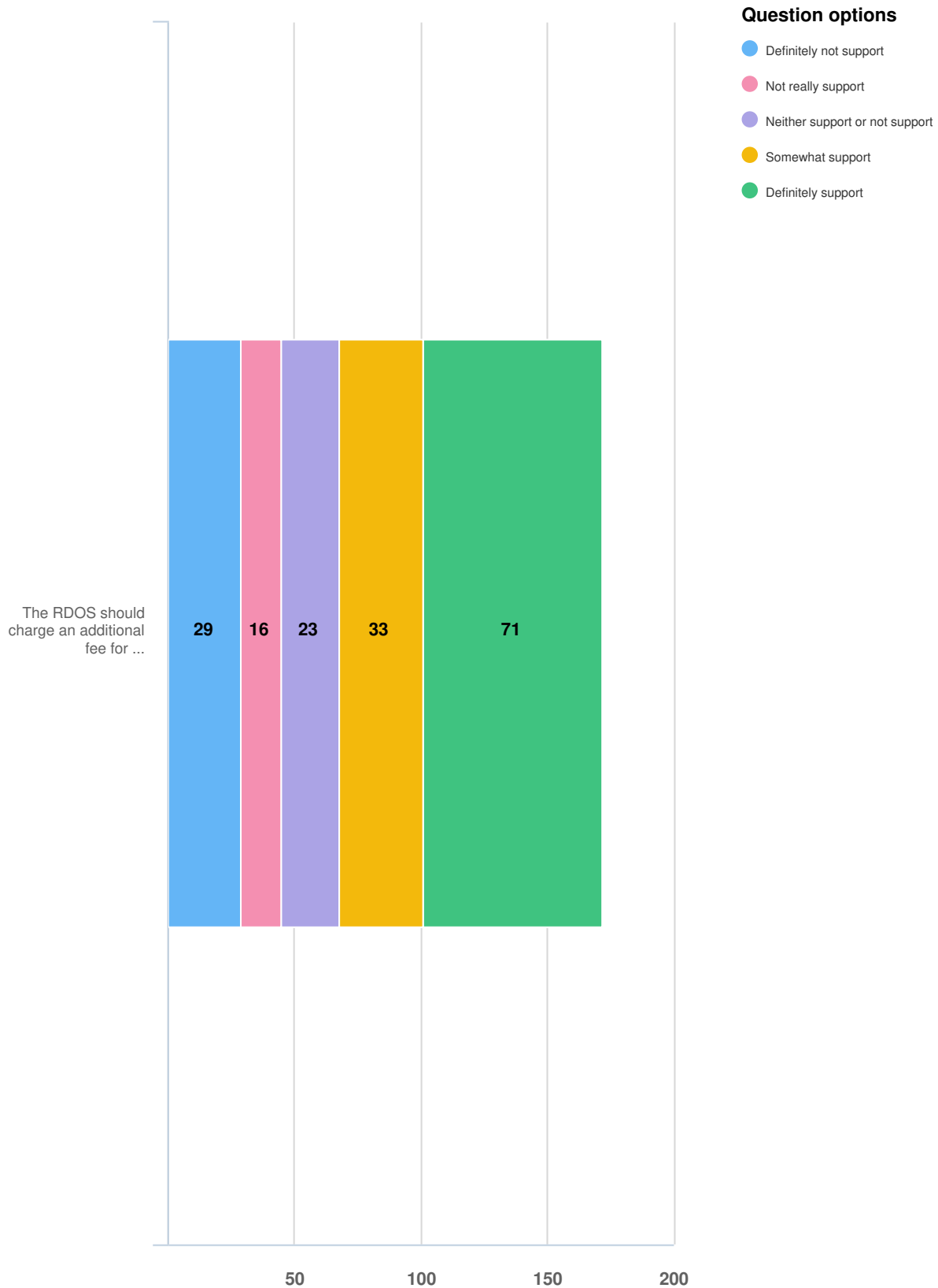
- Other (please specify)
- Don't know
- No
- Yes

Optional question (172 response(s), 0 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

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

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?

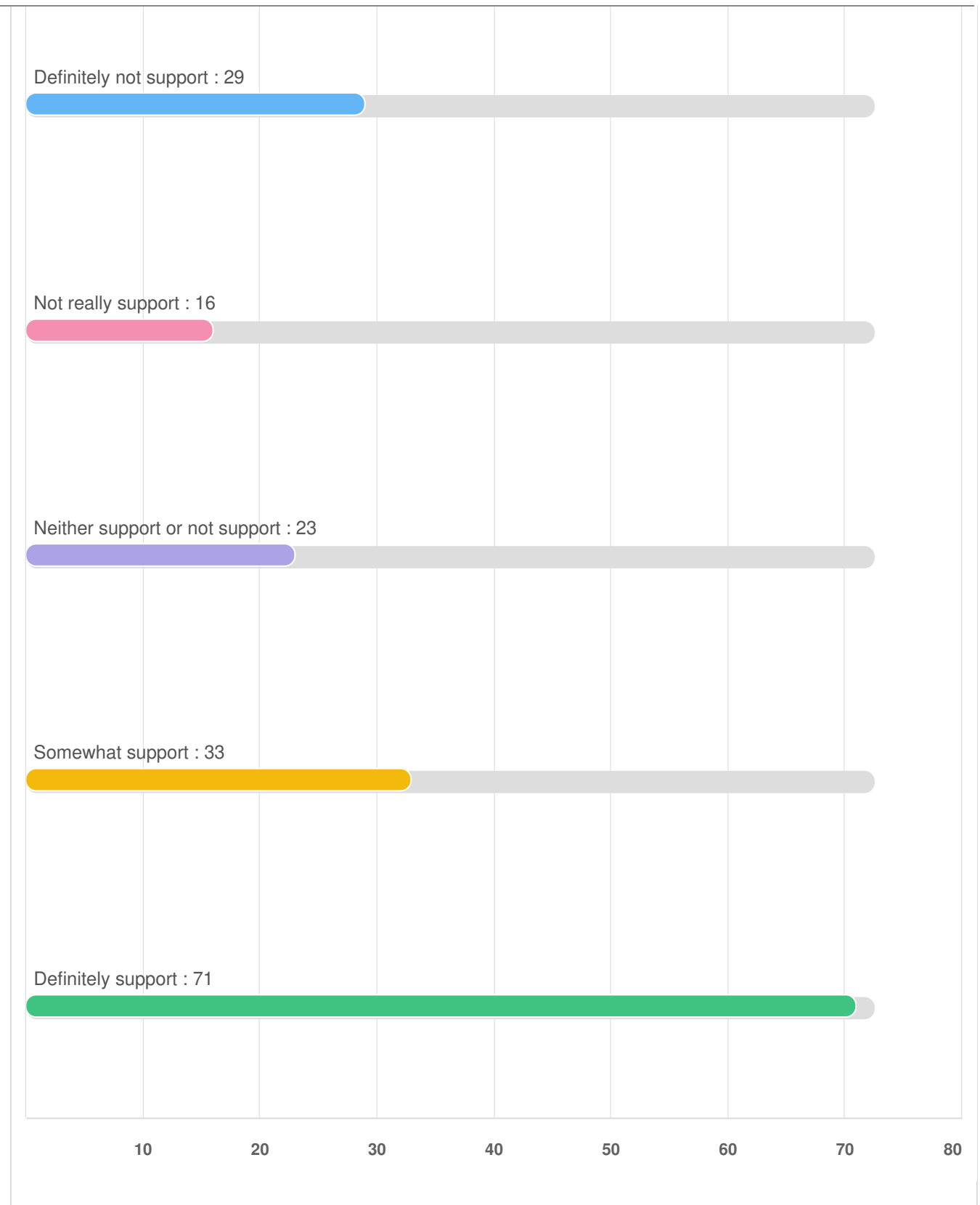


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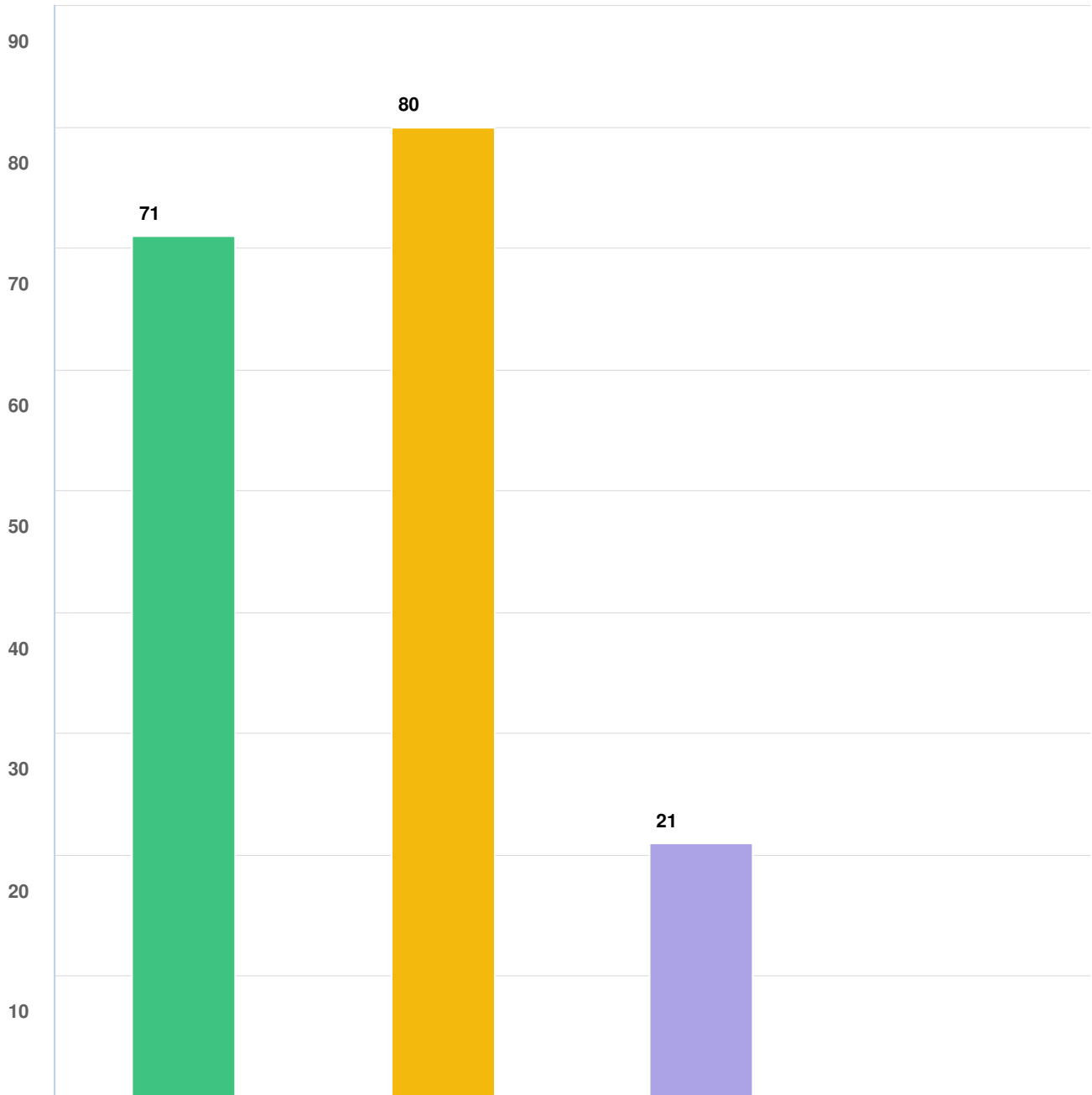
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The RDOS should charge an additional fee for water use for a Vacation Rental TUP



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 (170 response(s), 2 skipped)
 Question type: *Checkbox Question*

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

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 07:12 AM

I have had 41 rental properties throughout my life. This all stopped around 2017 when the NDP made massive changes to the Residential Tennant Agreement. Since that time there are zero protections for home owners. Vacation rentals do not impact long term rentals. RTB policies affect long term rentals. Tennant's have more rights than owners, which is not right. I had five rental properties in Penticton and sold them all when the rules changed. I am not renting out my million dollar homes for \$1500 a month to someone who could literally destroy it, squat, disturbed neighbors or whatever. It simply isn't worth it. I have countless friends who owned rental properties and when the NDP changed the tennant rights we all sold out properties. Some converted to air BNB but for the most part they were sold. Vacation rentals also act as mortgage helpers. Without mortgage helpers you will not have younger families move to this area. It is simply not possible. The only people currently moving to the Okanagan are wealthier retirees from Vancouver and Ontario. Vacation rentals having a negative impact on long term rentals is simply false. This has been discussed time and time again by myself and peers at gatherings. We are constantly confused why no level of government realizes or listens to this fact as it has been explained multiple times through surveys like this and meeting eyc.

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1/11/2023 08:37 AM

Should be licensed property managers to look after any vacation rentals

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1/11/2023 09:34 AM

I support free enterprise but not at the expense of neighbors quality of life ! If rental becomes negative impact on neighbors quality of life in any way it should be shut down. People do not spend hard earned cash on a home in quiet neighborhood to have a business erected next door that takes away from quality of life. Troy Thacker

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1/11/2023 09:42 AM

We are talking about quibbles with a \$20B industry here. Let's not focus too much on the 0.01% of pathologically bad cases. The market system for vacation rentals is clearly working well. The problem, which is not limited to vacation rentals, is anti-social behavior generally (noise, disregard for norms, crime). A broader and likely more effective response by local government is to stop the amateur

theorizing about cause-and-effect and do what it can to enforce the tried-and-tested bylaws that are already on the books.

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1/11/2023 09:41 AM

I don't ever intend to rent out my home however, I fully support those that do. Sick and tired of government over regulations.

Screen Name Redacted

1/11/2023 11:22 AM

Thank you for your time and energy into this topic. The results will be quite polarizing as people have different opinions. I live in the Westbench and the houses are spread out, compared to the houses in the Sandstone neighborhood. I don't think any resident wants the entire street to be rentals. But I don't think that will happen if you allow vacation rentals. I am in favour of regulating the number and location of rentals in populated neighborhoods. Providing long term rentals for lower income families is not the responsibility of the residents. More apartments should be built to help with that. I am strongly not in favour of a home owner, that does not live in the house permanently, renting the house out for short term vacation rentals. I am strongly in favour of the homeowners, want to leave their home for a week or two, to have the option of renting out their primary residence for short term rentals.

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1/11/2023 10:59 AM

Thank you for asking.

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1/11/2023 11:35 AM

In general I don't oppose vacation rentals unless they become disruptive to the neighbours. More enforcement is necessary in these cases. Also, a property that permits large groups and regular events such as weddings and family reunions would almost certainly become a nuisance to the neighbours. There aren't many that can accommodate large groups so the ones that do become a constant nuisance almost every weekend in the summer with lots of outdoor living and noise.

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1/11/2023 12:38 PM

Most people that rent vacation rentals are vetted through a professional agency such as Air bnb or VRBO or are known to the house owner. Anyone who owns a house cares more about renting to good people than the owner does. Nobody wants bad tenants. In our experience in the past when we owned one we had great visitors who spent a great deal of money in the community and came specifically because there were homes to rent. We have had much worse long term tenants than any vacation renters. We would rent to tourists then to hockey school student families and it worked very well. We need extra accommodations in our town for peak periods and we need extra money for owners for pay bills.

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1/11/2023 05:17 PM

We really do not think our area is suitable for vacation rentals being a rural setting concerns being fire, water, natural plants and animals. Visitors may not respect these things even putting the community at risk. Example extreme fire hazard. Home owners in the area respect and look after their property.

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1/11/2023 06:18 PM

I rent my basement a couple time a year , one for iron man , a max of ten days A year, I could rent it out year round but do not need income or hassle of long term renter. I might bring in 1000 dollars a year so this is why I would never buy A permit from RDOS as it would probably cost at least that. If permit was like 100.00 then yes, but it likely to more then 1000 dollars. if they come down hard On people with no permits then I simply will not rent it for iron man weekend.

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1/11/2023 06:23 PM

Question 23. Need to require a 24/7 contact number AND a requirement for someone to be available to respond if needed for these same hours. Otherwise, would require on-site manager.

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1/11/2023 06:41 PM

We were unable to provide comments on 15, 18,21,23 because the area did not accept comments. Also, RDOS has a bad reputation for not enforcing the current bylaws so not sure if adding new or amended bylaws will change anything. The complaint driven model does not work, so efforts should be going towards resolving this issue prior to "enhancing" existing bylaws. Thanks.

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1/11/2023 07:42 PM

I know of recent examples of houses being purchased in my area for vacation rental income. This has ruined Naramata with not enough permanent families with children to support the school. I don't want this problem to spread to other areas. It isn't fair that we are unable to build a carriage house one our one acre property due to septic restrictions but a neighbour's vacation rental could have 10 people one one septic system. It would be better for the community to allow secondary suites for needed long-term rental rather than allowing vacation rentals. Vacation rentals are rarely mortgage helpers since the owners do not reside on the property.

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1/11/2023 08:58 PM

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

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1/11/2023 09:16 PM

I do not like vacation rentals in Area F, operate a B&B or do not rent for vacationers

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1/11/2023 10:18 PM

It is well known that the RDOS doesn't have the capacity to effectively enforce bylaws. West Bench residents publicly post non-permitted vacation rentals and secondary suite rentals on the forum, they use their yards as campsites for their guests all summer, they run commercial businesses (non-permitted) off their property, they dump fill from their private business on their properties, etc. etc. If the RDOS is unable to effectively manage the current bylaws in place it is hard to take this survey or the proposal of a new bylaw (that would require permitting) seriously. How does the RDOS plan to manage and track any of the above if they can't follow through with current bylaw complaints or processes?

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1/11/2023 10:43 PM

Property owners should not be restricted too much on how to use their properties. It is difficult enough for a lot of people to get onto the property ladder, having an option to generate income from vacation rental helps owners to pay for the mortgage and the upkeep costs.

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1/12/2023 03:33 PM

We are permanent residents in Area F which has multiple people coming and going from adjacent houses in the summer (mostly family members and friends of the owner). Over several years it has generally been positive with the owners ensuring that their visitors respect their neighbours right to enjoy their property. On a few occasions we have had to go over after midnight to ask visitors to turn down their music so we can sleep. From this basis, my suggestions would be the following. 1. Have a short required online course for short-term rental landlords that covers by-law violations that might be concerning for neighbours of short term rentals. 2. Have a pdf download of a checklist for landlords to go over with potential tenants. Such as: _____. No sustained loud noise that interrupts the neighbours right to enjoyment of their property, especially after 10:00 PM and before 7:00 AM. _____. Ensure that your pets don't wander onto neighboring properties and don't behave aggressively at the fence line. _____. If campfires are allowed, be mindful of where the smoke is going. _____. If the rental is on the water, be mindful that most neighbouring docks and buoys are private and therefore the owner's permission is needed to use them.

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1/12/2023 05:35 PM

I support the existing prohibition of short-term vacation rentals on the West Bench, but know of more than one in existence for which, I assume given the above, do not have permits. I strongly support the

RDOS taking action on these unpermitted rental units as the flouting of the regulations gives comfort to those who wish to do the same.

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1/12/2023 06:36 PM

Don't assume that if one could not operate a short term/vacation rental that they would then rent it out long term.

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1/13/2023 04:05 PM

RDOS, you're behind the ball on this and scrambling. You're not thinking this out and how it can benefit a community. You are so self absorbed with how to generate revenue but you are looking at short term gain only!! \$2500 for a tup, shame on you for gouging! The rdos cannot run a business let alone control this environment. Make it usable for all, affordable and it can be a success! \$100 permit, a small sign with owner contact, fines for repeat offenders of noise, simple and easy. All you're doing is trying to figure out what the maximum amount of fees you can bleed from this issue, you have dollar signs in your eyes. Give us a break!

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1/14/2023 10:12 AM

I live at West Bench and have property at Apex and recognize that there are differences. I do feel that some measures should apply at Apex as well eg. the posting of contact information, parking requirements especially considering snow removal. How about a separate questionnaire for Apex?

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1/14/2023 10:54 AM

The attractiveness of this community is it's peaceful and rural nature. We are already seeing that disturbed by large trucks and businesses operating in what is a residential and somewhat agricultural area. Let's not kill the golden goose in the name of dollars. Our residences should remain residences, not businesses. A few "guests" visiting families resident on the property should not alter the "feel" of the community- but we do want it to be a community, not a business area.

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1/15/2023 03:24 AM

Most of your suggestions to mitigate impact of short term rentals put the burden on the neighbors who bought in a residential community not a commercial one. We have hotels for a reason. Short term rentals are unmanaged hotels and the burden falls on neighbors not those who see the revenue.

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1/16/2023 11:15 AM

Thanks for this survey. We moved to the West Bench 3.5 years ago and looked into renting our house out for 1-2 weeks in the summer as a mortgage helper. The current price tag for a TUP at \$2500 immediately prices us out of that option. I'm not sure why that price is

so high (even the \$1250 for renewal), but it limits us from renting our place to vacationers unless we would be renting for a longer period of time. Question #18: When it comes to the number of people, I think 10 is too many, and should depend on what any given septic system is designed for. 10 people renting a house encourages too much water use, and potential over working of septic systems that aren't designed for that many people. This becomes a bigger issue in my opinion if people are renting out a suite and still on the premises during the rental (adding to the total number of people on site).

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1/16/2023 05:26 PM

Property taxes are already astronomical in this province as are any services. Increasing costs for people trying to generate income by adding administrative hurdles will only result in more people avoiding them. Adding the responsibility of enforcement will only result in more costs to the administrative body which means everyone pays more. People can't currently afford to pay more for most things these days.

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1/18/2023 11:45 AM

The shortage of affordable rental family homes in and around the area means that every VRBO and AirB&B "venture" that some aspiring property mogul lists on the web for the benefit of party-loving Calgarians or Vancouverites removes housing opportunities for the people who live and work in Penticton, Summerland, Kaleden, OK Falls, etc. I feel strongly that the local rental market offerings should PRIMARILY support local families, not simply be a source of passive income for overextended real estate flippers panicking over higher mortgage rates.

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1/18/2023 02:14 PM

There should be a system in place to allow for infrequent occasional short term rentals. Like if I want to rent my house out for just two weeks in the summer when I go out of town, it shouldn't cost me thousands and require so much bureaucratic red tape. Development sign, letters, public meeting and so forth is ridiculous. It seems to be much simpler in nearby municipalities.

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1/19/2023 07:52 PM

This is unbelievable! Summer vacation rentals are needed and are not the reason for higher rents which i believe is what has inspired this survey! Property owners should not be subject to the oversight suggested in this survey!!

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1/19/2023 10:46 PM

I don't believe government should restrict what private citizens can do with their property

Screen Name Redacted 1/22/2023 11:42 AM	Vacation rentals in some popular areas have increased housing prices and lead to fewer long-term residents to support schools and businesses.
Screen Name Redacted 1/23/2023 04:58 PM	Question 18 re max of 10 persons. Finding it hard to answer as 2 families of 5 can be quite a different scenario than 10 individuals.
Screen Name Redacted 1/23/2023 06:26 PM	I would like to know how the RDOS is using money collected from short term rental permits. I believe these funds should be re-invested into making our communities more tourist friendly: signs, interconnected bike lanes & trails, creating more curb appeal, cozy parks, benches, attractions for children, develop parks for recreation activities: bird watching, safe swimming, etc. Regular people should be able to participate / profit from the tourist industry and not only winery owners!
Screen Name Redacted 1/23/2023 10:33 PM	Vacation rentals use existing space to shelter tourists which is excellent for the local community.
Screen Name Redacted 1/24/2023 07:35 PM	Ensuring year round affordable housing for full time citizens has to come first. It's concerning to see family homes being used as money makers for a few while impacting housing availability for many. People before profits. Families and full-time citizens before investments/second or third homes. Keep our families stable, schools opened, and businesses strong year round. I have no issue with those renting year-round to locals or renting their primary residence. Forcing a family to move out of their home so the landlord can make more money by renting to tourists over summer decrease home stability and will not make our area a better place to live in the long run. Families and young people will have to settle elsewhere.
Screen Name Redacted 1/25/2023 04:51 PM	VBRO's in areas that attract tourism dollars such as Apex or homes near beaches provide a huge economic boost. Most come from families with children or retired folks.
Screen Name Redacted 1/25/2023 05:59 PM	Regarding wildfire safety. We live in a high hazard area. Have had several incidences of vacation rental people gathering in front of our home which immediately leads out to trails open lands and have very drunk people in the middle of the night smoking and taking walks bring very disruptive and not realizing the danger to homeowners when they discard cigarette butts. When confronted and asked to quiet down and not smoke in the very dry area have had rude

altercations, having almost lost our home to a wildfire it scares us. Perhaps posting at the vacation homes wildfire information for deeper understanding as must renters come from outside our area. Just food for thought.

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1/25/2023 07:04 PM

I would like to see hotels and motels as visitor accommodation which as regulated and where visitors are in these managed establishments. Neighbourhoods with a vacation rental component lose their sense of community identity.

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1/26/2023 09:50 PM

Vacation rentals are making it more difficult for long residents to find permanent accommodation. This in turn is making it more difficult to attract much needed workers. Potential new employees leave the area when they aren't able to find a place to rent.

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2/01/2023 11:38 AM

Summerland needs to put the needs to residents who want to live here year round. I am continually seeing help inquiries of people, couples or families looking for rentals in the area they are moving into. While I understand that Summerland is a tourist town, we however live here year round and I don't feel there is a sense of priority put on us. Do better Summerland. We're already feeling the pinch of higher taxes and utilities charges and now with more vacation rentals, where are we to go next?

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2/01/2023 12:13 PM

The benefits of short term rentals can not be over estimated. The consumers of this product bring cash to our businesses and build awareness of the offerings of our communities. If we are worried about a shortage of rentals, the RDOS needs to get out of the way of development and let people build more units and infill whenever possible. Less bureaucracy is the answer. Always.

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2/01/2023 12:39 PM

In a predominantly rural area such as West Bench vacation rentals should allowed with specific conditions i.e. limiting number of guest and excluding the primary residence as the rental unit. 10-12 guests with multiple vehicles is not acceptable.

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2/01/2023 12:40 PM

In most of the vacation rentals we have stayed at they have a noise monitoring system installed that alerts the property management agent of noise above certain levels and during certain periods (quiet times). These systems are identified in the property rental description so renters are aware and are also aware of penalties. This system is widely used in Hawaii with good results I believe. Consideration might

be given to include this requirement in all rentals.

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2/01/2023 12:44 PM

Vacation rental's do not benefit or provide opportunities for legal businesses to operate in the region. There should be more hotels or motels being built to support the tourist industry. Rates are currently high during peak periods because there are not enough hotels/motels in the area.

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2/01/2023 01:55 PM

I think most people would register to give the information for the vacation rental if the process was simpler and less expensive.

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2/01/2023 03:13 PM

Re: Question #18. 2 persons per bedroom is reasonable plus 2 under 12. Max 10 including children.

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2/01/2023 03:54 PM

Maximum number of people should be dependent on the size of the property, number of bedrooms / beds.

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2/01/2023 04:03 PM

Would be nice if the rules were enforced.

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2/01/2023 04:27 PM

The Okanagan is a growing 4season activity draw for tourism so it is important to increase the number and variety of accommodations that can be enforceably regulated. Not an easy project, but certainly doable. Surveys, meetings and a gradual and deliberate approach is a good way to get a fair consensus.

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2/01/2023 05:59 PM

Less government is better.

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2/01/2023 09:06 PM

I do NOT support vrbo's. The noise is terrible and they take all the street parking. They should park in their own driveway and keep the noise to a minimum if they want a vrbo in our quiet neighborhood. We as neighbors are also concerned about crime with people we do not know.

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2/01/2023 11:17 PM

I feel that the permitting process should be made as easy as possible. Vacation rentals are an accepted form of travel sought out by the traveling public. If we want tourism and a strong local economy in our area we cant make it more difficult to have those tourists come to our city. I would choose to vacation somewhere else - that does allow

vacation rentals. Anyone that has saved up and bought a house - and passes all the safety requirements and maintains a clean property without infractions and disturbances ought to be allowed to run a vacation rental. I would support a 3 strikes rule for documented bylaw infractions - perhaps - the license for the property is suspended for 1-2 years - that way the problem properties and managers are weeded out. One grumpy neighbor that complains about the application should not have the power over their neighbor property. I would support higher fees - for the garbage and water I would support a higher licensing fee or yearly surcharge - that puts money back into the community that the vacation rentals operate in - IE funds applied to an upgrade to the local park - IE A annual \$250-\$500 per year community improvement fund per license. That way there is a local benefit to everyone - even the grumpy neighbor who probably wont admit it :-)

Ben Eddison 4458 Sage Mesa drive

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2/02/2023 08:33 AM

I think the main thing to consider is there is no housing for people that live and work in our communities. If everyone turned there home into a short term rental we would have an even bigger problem finding people to work. People will be forced to live in other areas like Penticton. I live behind a multi building if it turns into short term rental. That would be a major problem

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2/02/2023 09:24 AM

I don't support the concept of TUP's at all. If laws or bylaws that apply to normal residents are being broken by renters, normal enforcement should kick in.

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2/02/2023 12:26 PM

I worked hard to purchase my house in a quiet neighbourhood. If I'd wanted to live next to a hotel/b&nb with the noise and intrusion my home choice would have reflected that.

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2/04/2023 09:57 AM

In our area it's a complex because it's a mix of residential and farm status.

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2/06/2023 09:25 AM

Long term rentals are needed much more than vacation short term rentals. I think our rental crisis is in part due to the short term vacation rentals.

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2/06/2023 09:33 AM

I believe that short term vacation rentals can help property owners with the high cost of housing, and help vacationing families with affordable family friendly accommodations in the valley. I also believe that owners of vacation rentals have an obligation for due diligence to

vet prospective tenants, manage and maintain the property, and respect neighbours' rights. Furthermore, owners of vacation rentals have to carry extra costly insurance. When we travelled and rented a vacation rental home, we also were advised to take our own insurance in case of damage to the house or furnishing, etc. As to water use, we already are being metered, so see no need to increase cost of water if there is a vacation rental.

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2/06/2023 04:56 PM

Having lived in Sage Mesa for 50 years I've found vacation rentals created nothing but grief for local residents while yearly rentals have not. As for the numbers allowed in each area is not sufficient, it should be numbers in each neighbourhood as the density of properties in sage mesa is totally different than the density on the west bench or other areas in electoral district F. I also believe that vacation rentals hurt the resale value of properties that are next to them. Frankly, who wants to live or purchase a house next to vacation rental when you have the choice not to when buying a property that may cost about \$1 million? Vacation rentals should not be allowed without sufficient parking for the new vehicles on the property, The parking capacity should be inspected before vacation rental is allowed. I think that the local residence within that 300 m radius should be allowed to vote on whether or not they want vacation property in the area. I don't want any Vacation rentals in my area at all.

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2/09/2023 10:53 PM

Support vacation rentals as a reasonable alternative to hotel/motel/b&b/campgrounds, with further regulations to ensure safety, proximity and reasonable (eg noise, cleanliness) use of property.

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2/14/2023 10:20 PM

Good survey. As much as I might recognize the entrepreneurial spirit and desire to be the Vacation Rental equivalent of a slum landlord, we're in a neighborhood of single family dwellings. Using a single family property as a vacation rental to pay the mortgage tends to benefit the non-occupant mortgage holder and non-residents -- and not the neighborhood. Increased fire hazard is another concern. That is, smokers in party mode flicking cigarettes off the back deck. I'm much more comfortable with the presence of B&Bs as legitimate home based businesses. 10 people? That's a party crowd. I have read a number of articles describing the deleterious effects of vacation rentals in traditional neighborhoods -- globally. Local residents can often no longer afford to live in their own neighborhoods. Or cities. Not when they can't afford to rent the properties being rented to gringos looking for a 'geniune' experience in the neighborhood(s) they've helped to destroy.

Optional question (62 response(s), 110 skipped)

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