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STS Intermacs Database: Data Managers Survey

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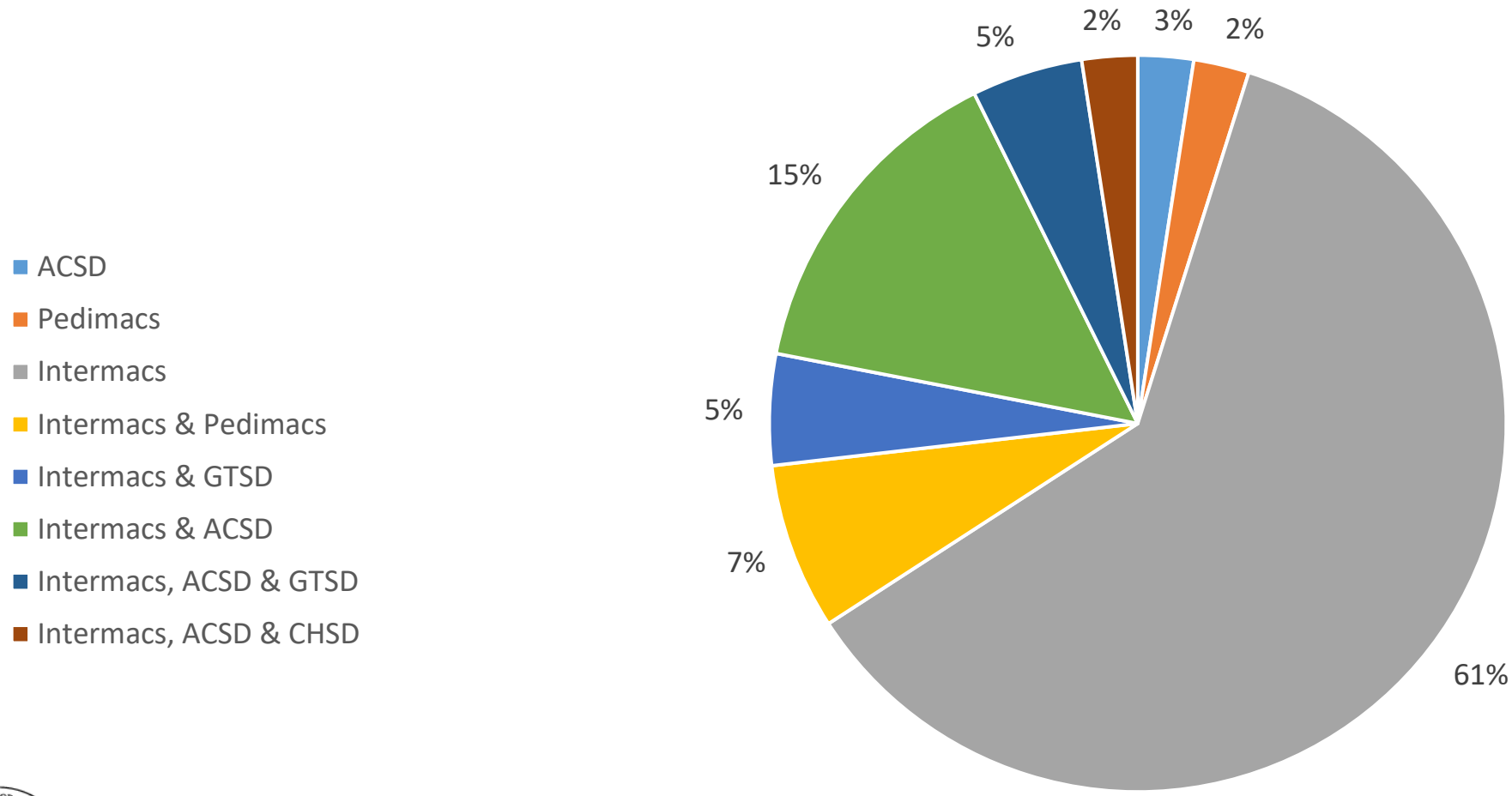

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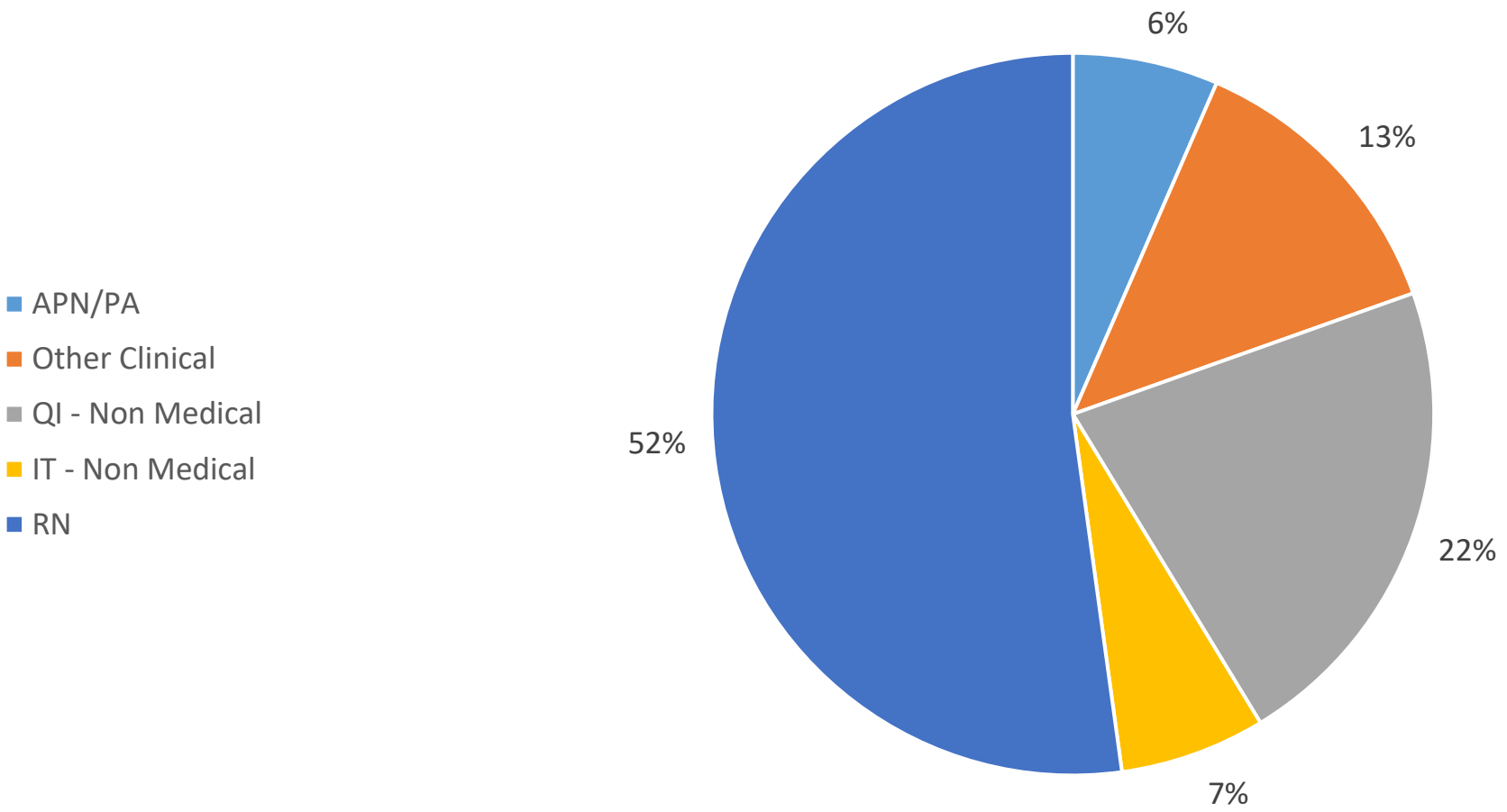

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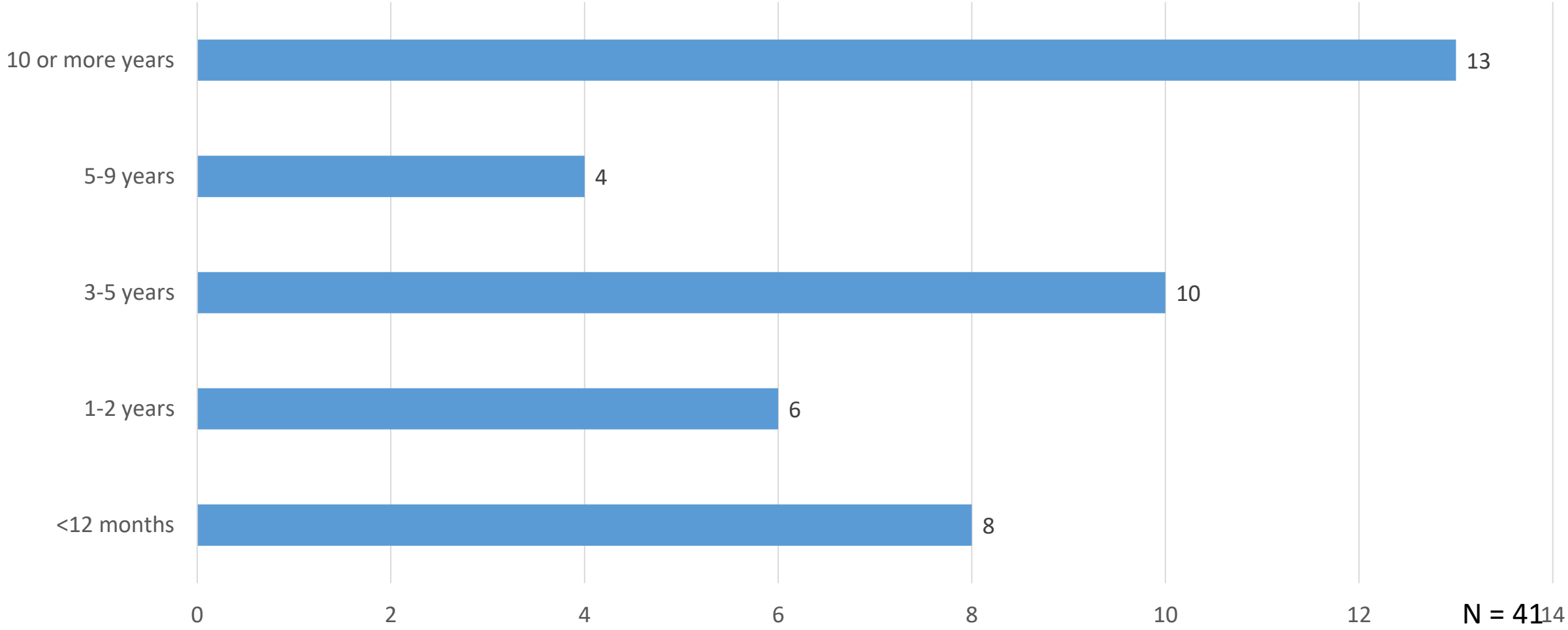
How Long Have You Been Abstracting?



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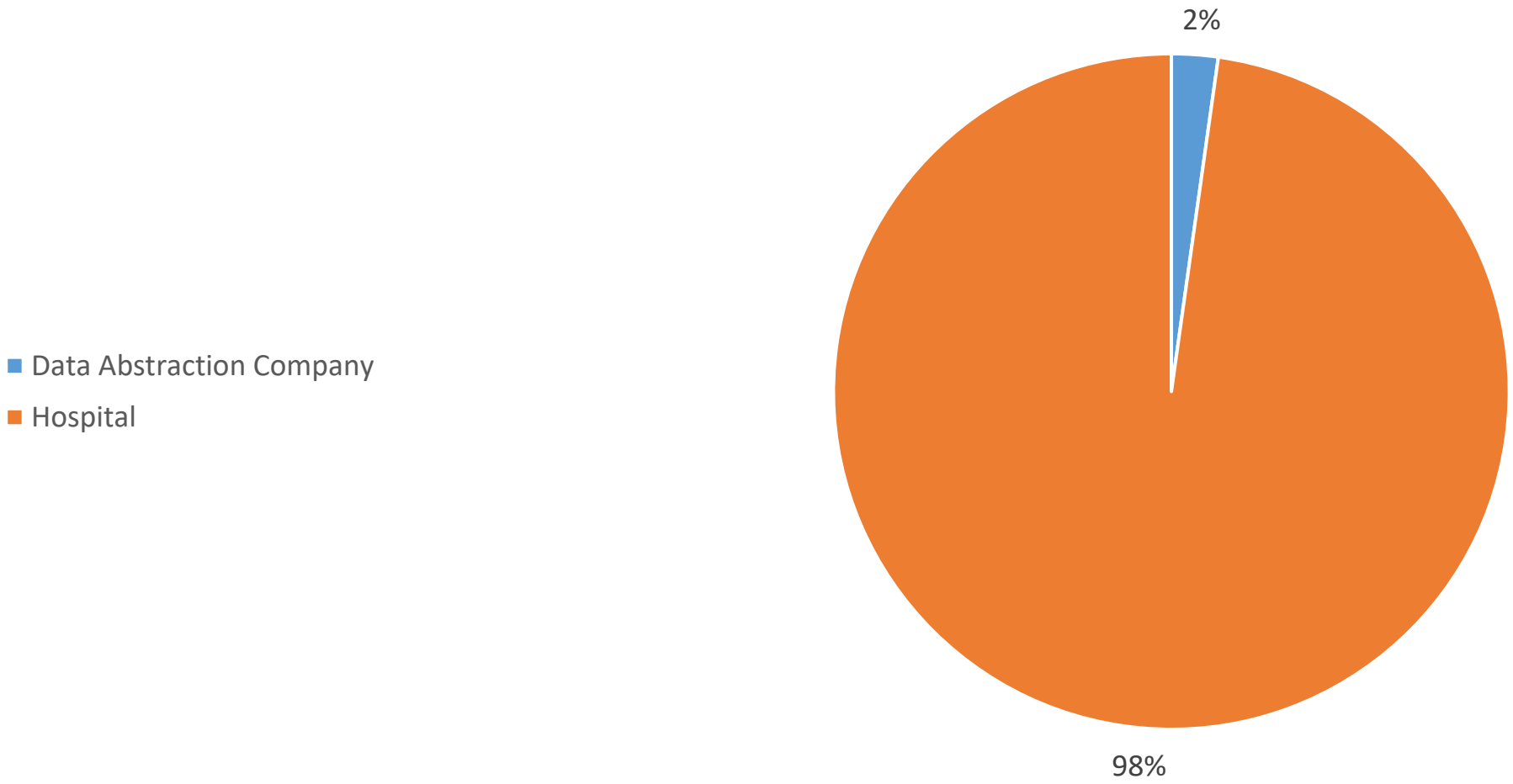

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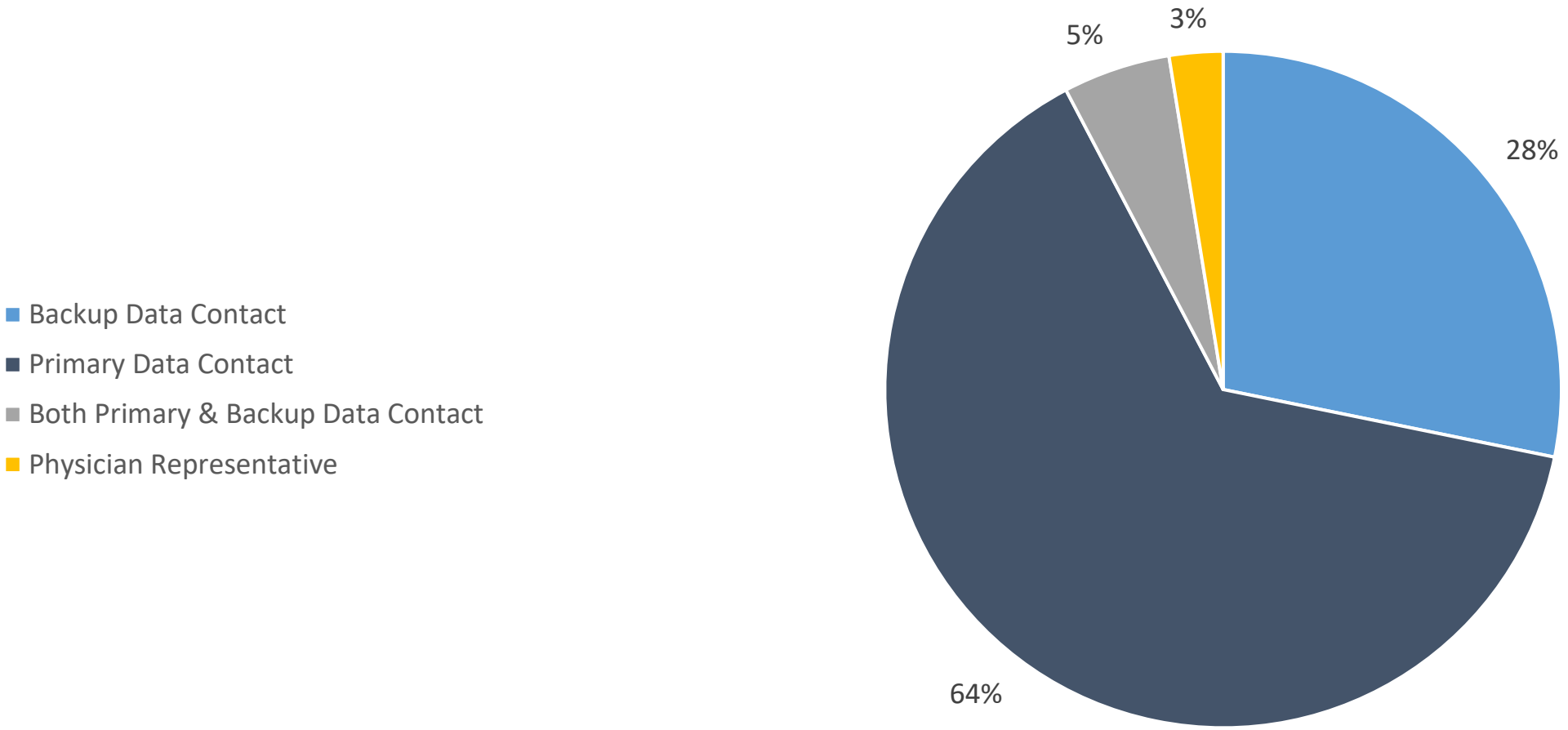
What Is Your Assigned Participant Role in the STS National Database?



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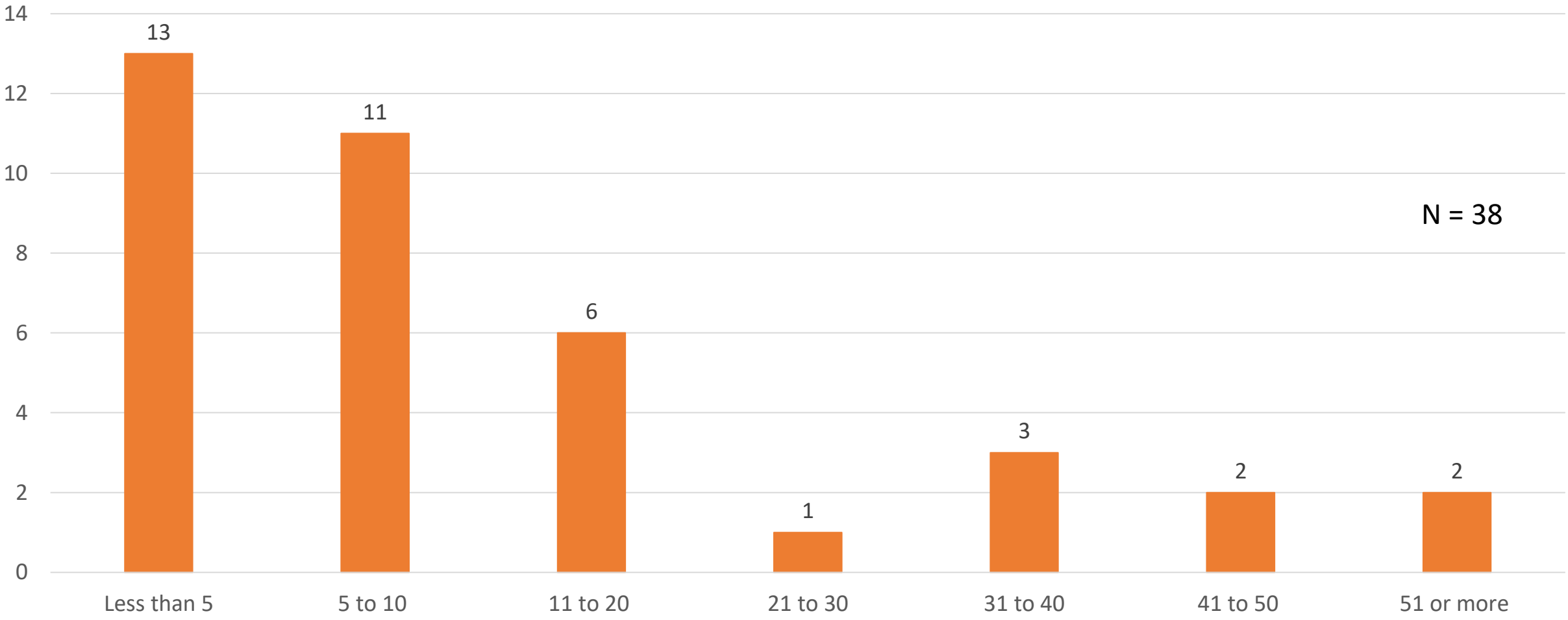
How Many Cases Do You Abstract per Month?



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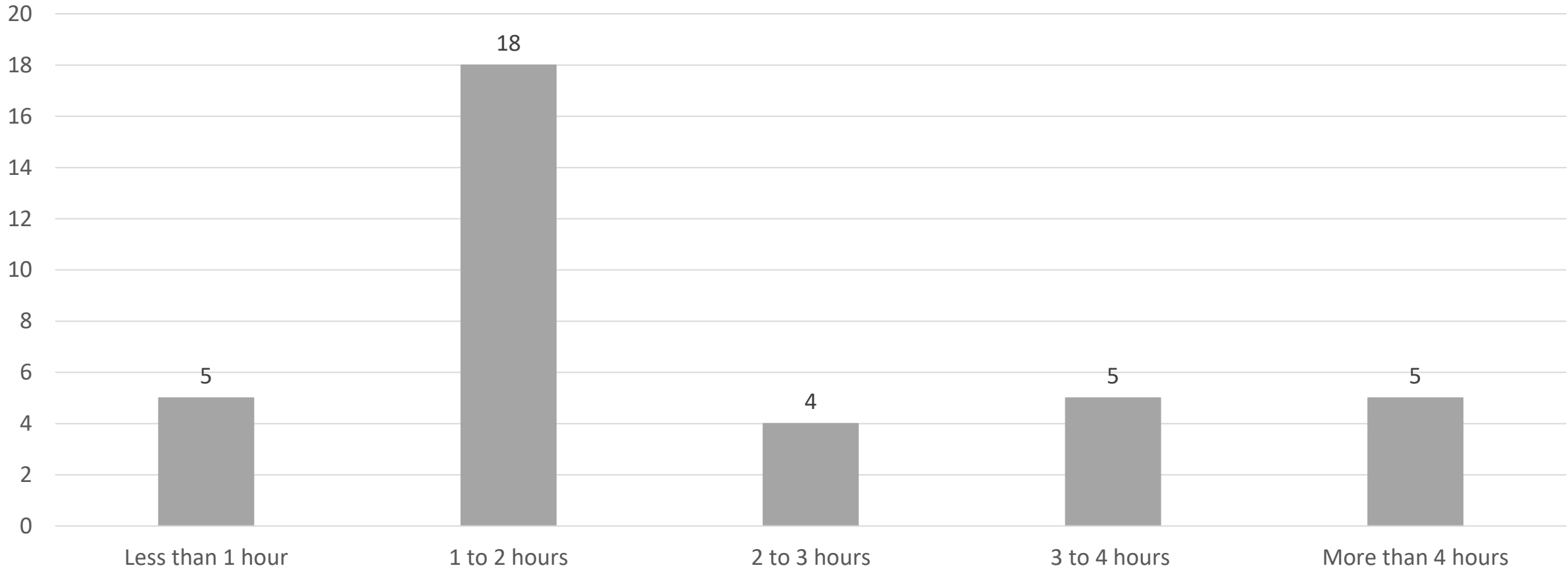

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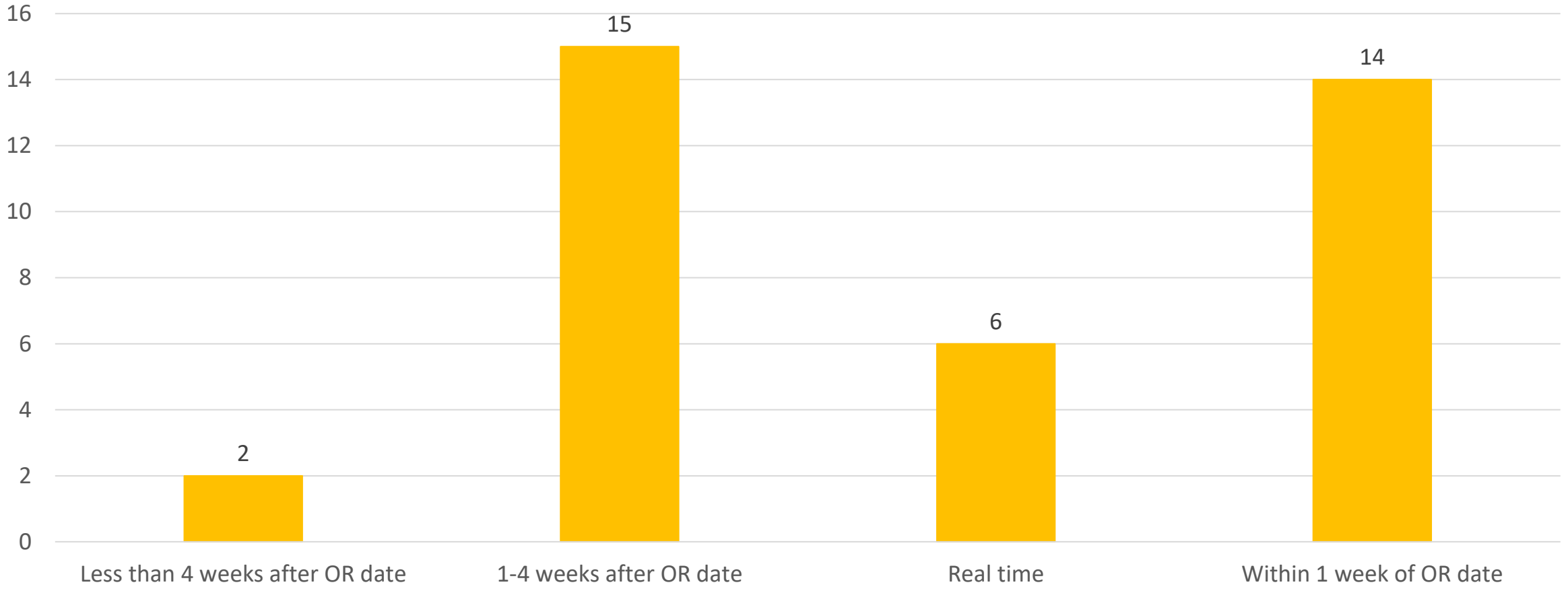
What Is Your Timing of Abstraction for a Case?



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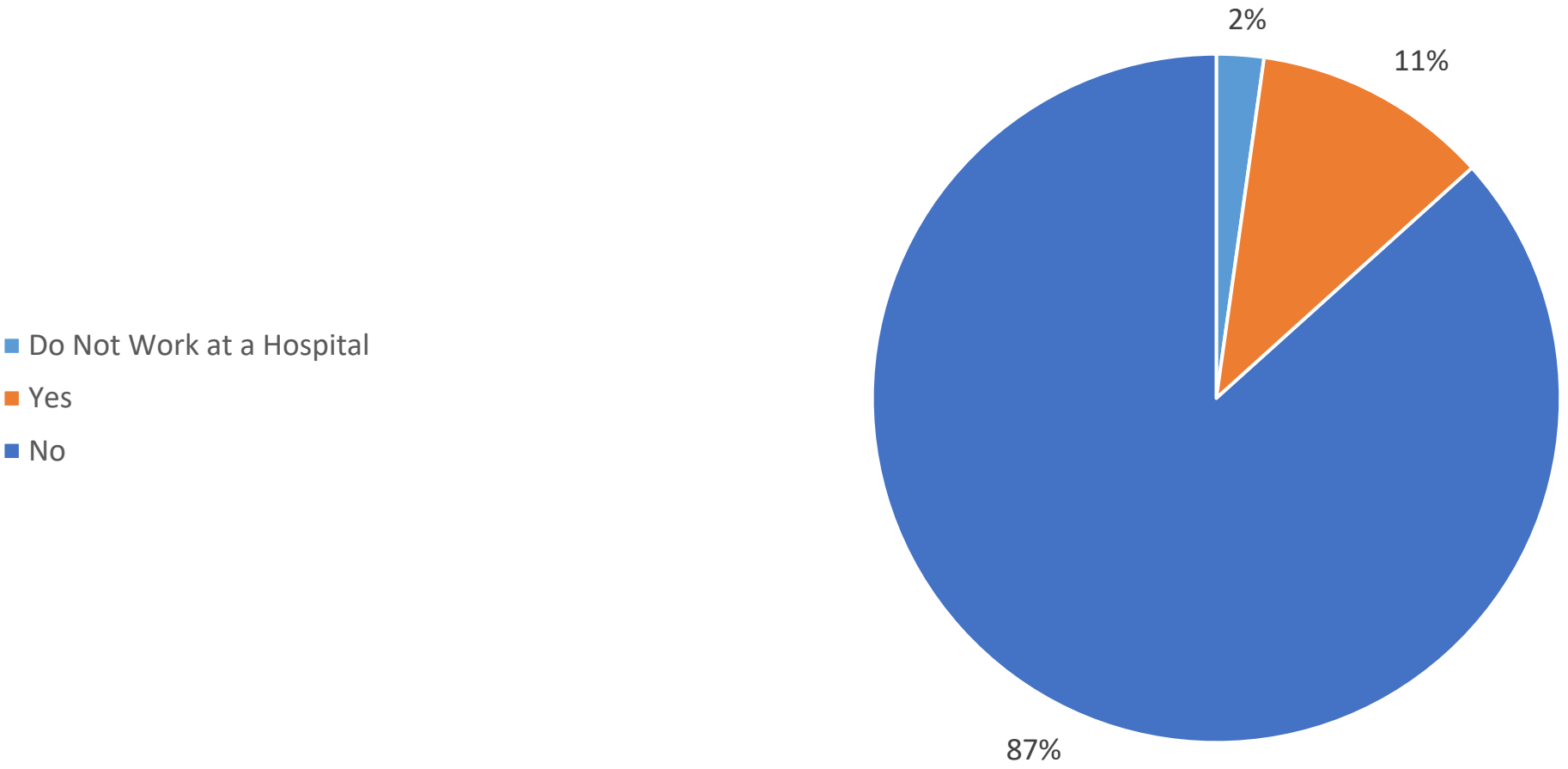
Do You Utilize a Third-Party Abstraction Company?



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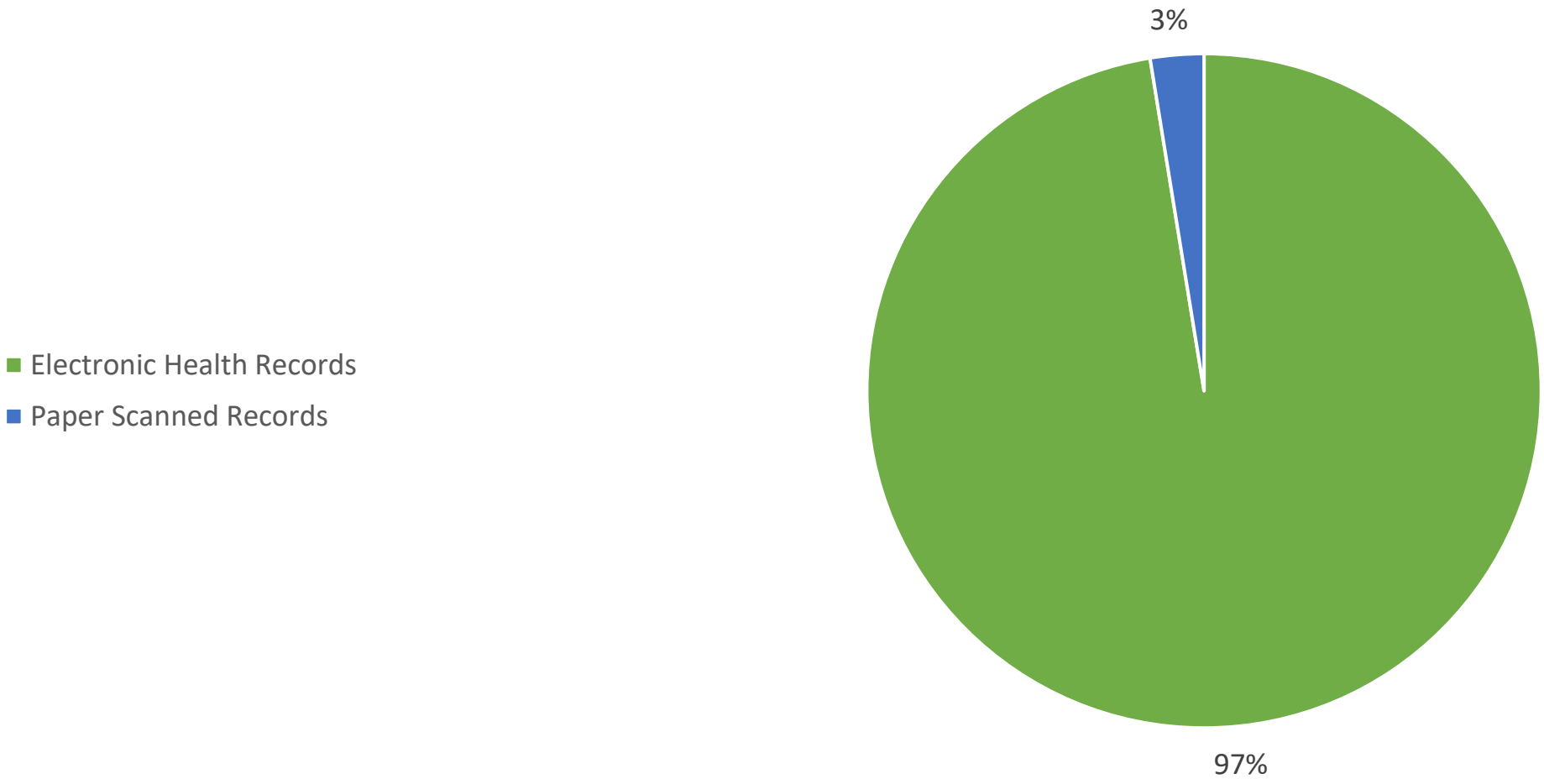
What Source Do You Primarily Abstract From?



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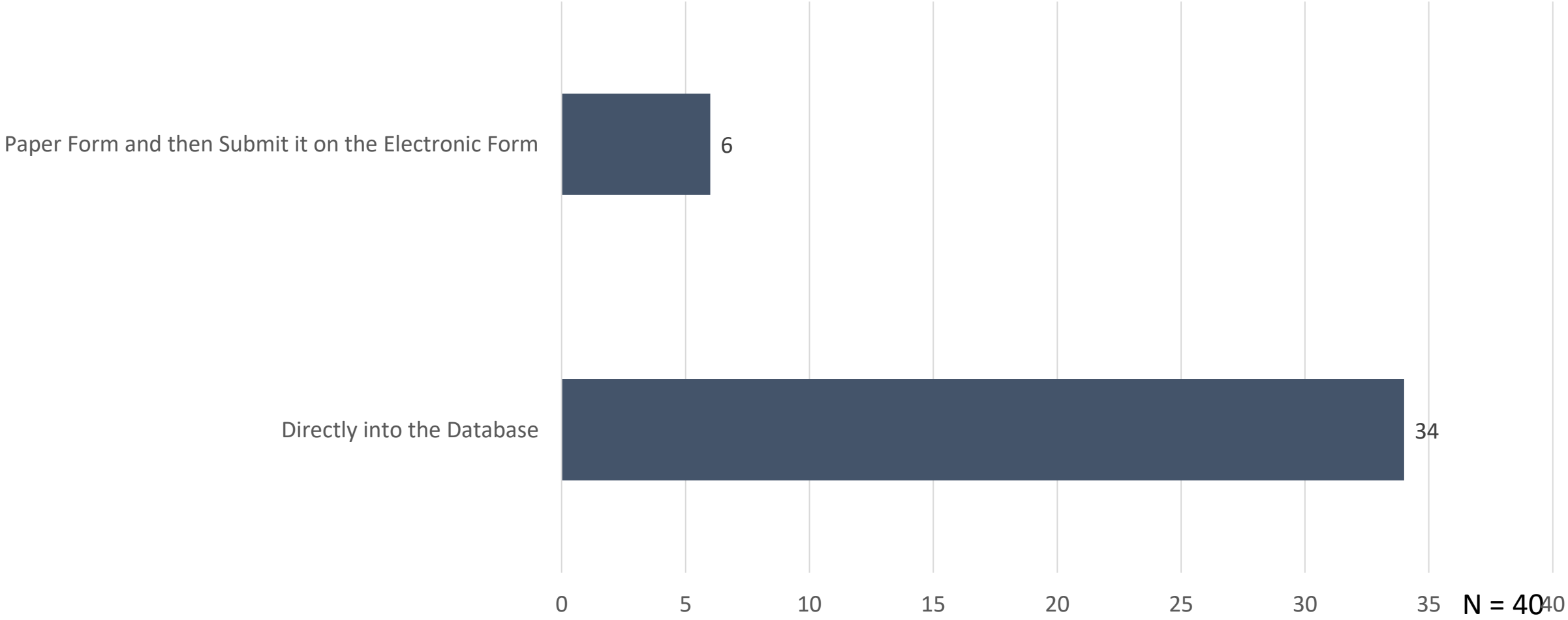
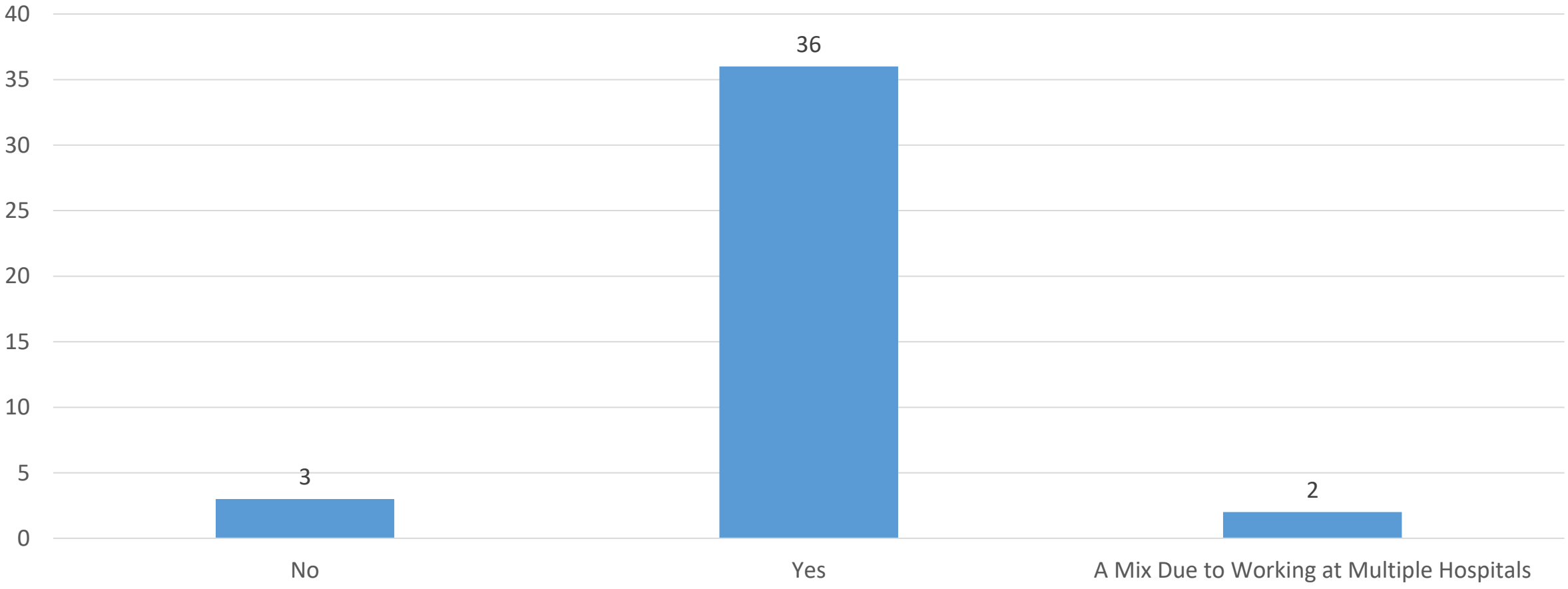
How Do You Abstract Data?



Do You Have a Process in Place for Tracking Patients Post Operatively / Post Discharge?



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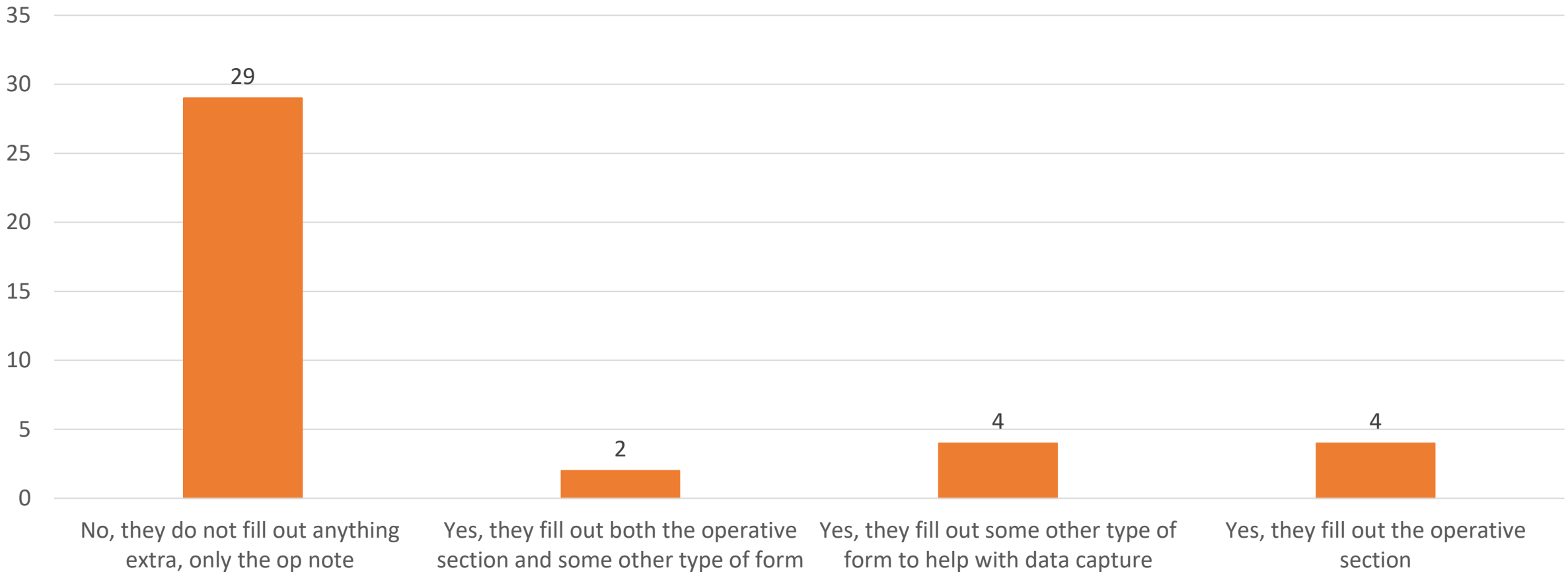
Do Your Surgeons Fill Out the Operative Section? Or Provide Information Besides the Op Note?



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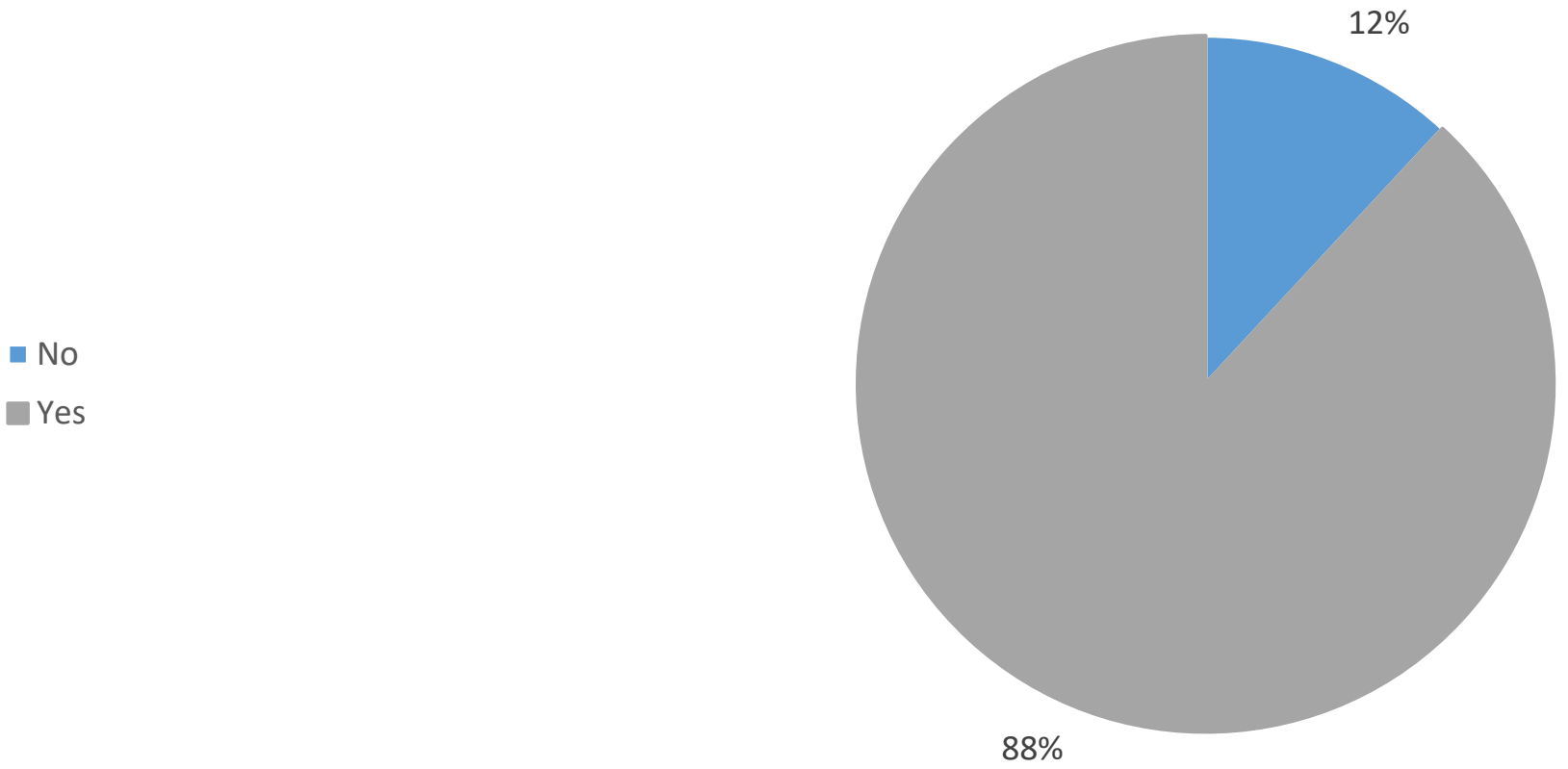
Is Your Surgeon Available to Answer Questions?



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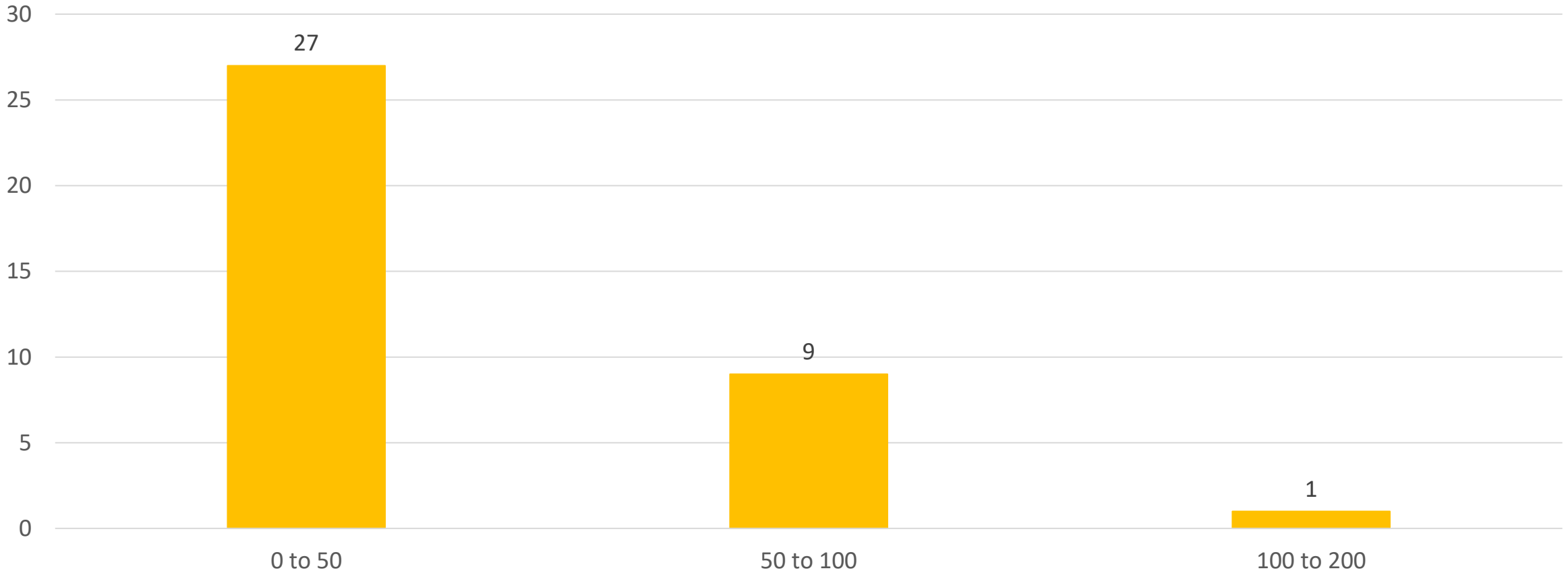
How Many Cases per Year Does Your Hospital Perform?



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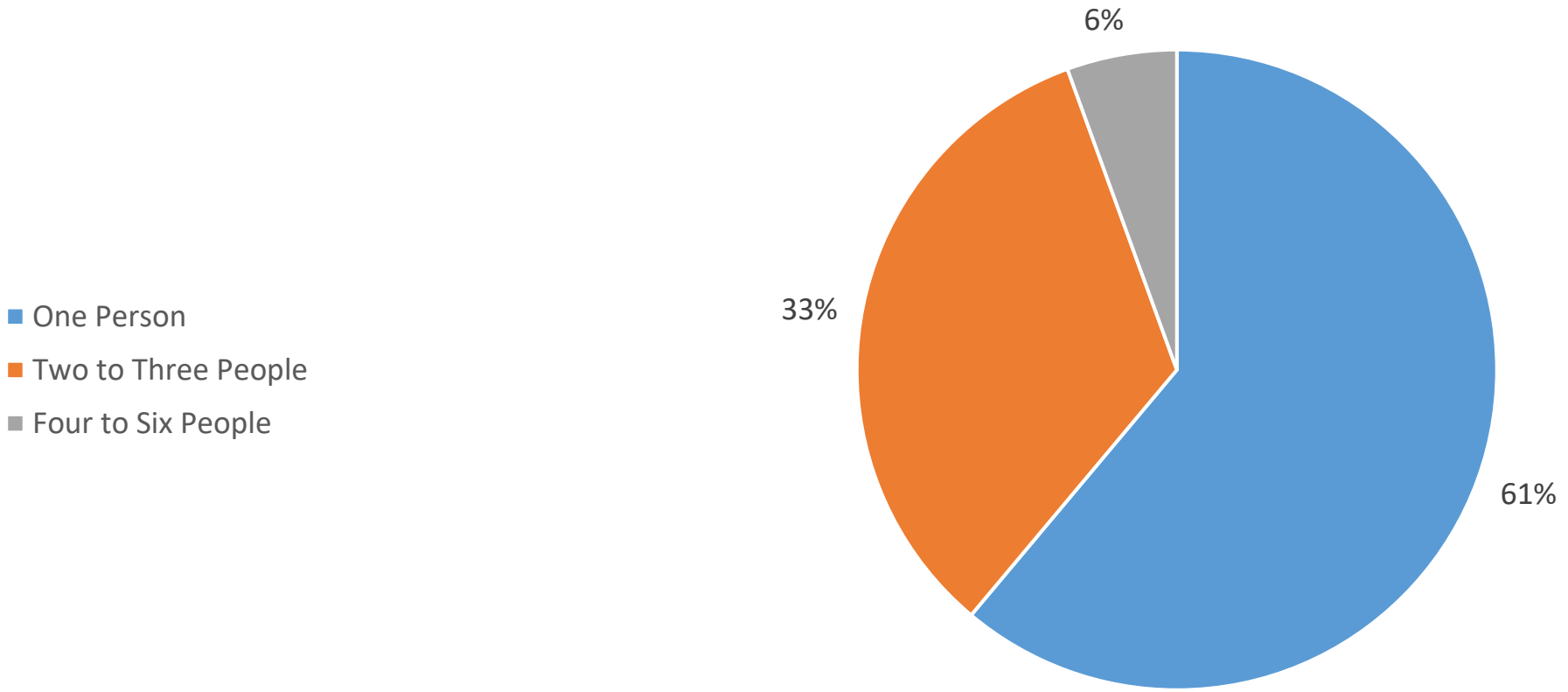
How Many Abstractors Are at Your Hospital?



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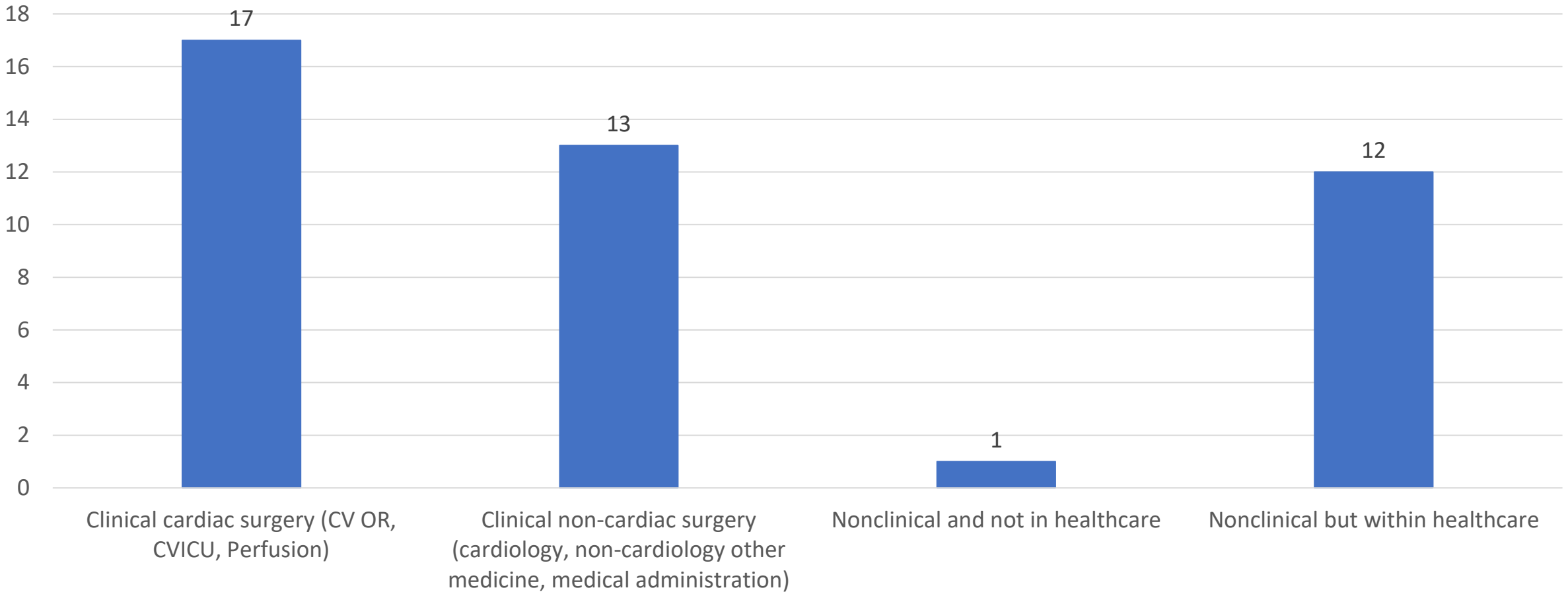
What Was Your Previous Experience?



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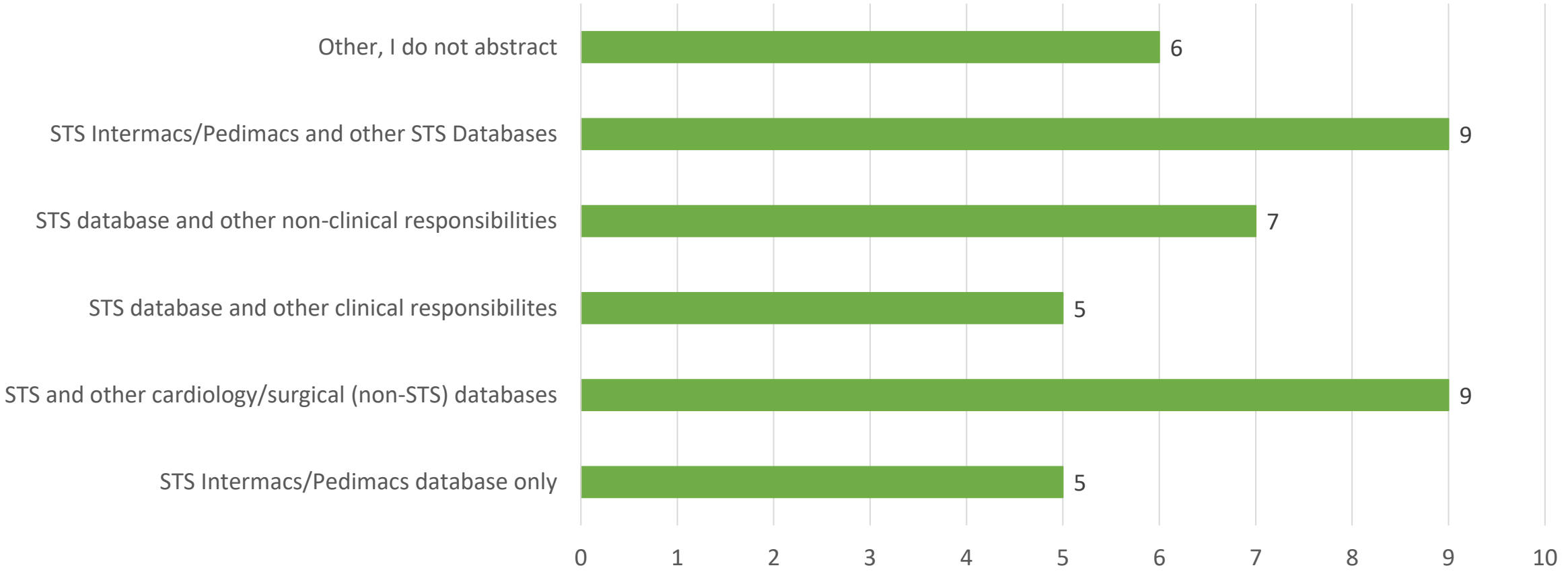
What Are Your Work Responsibilities?



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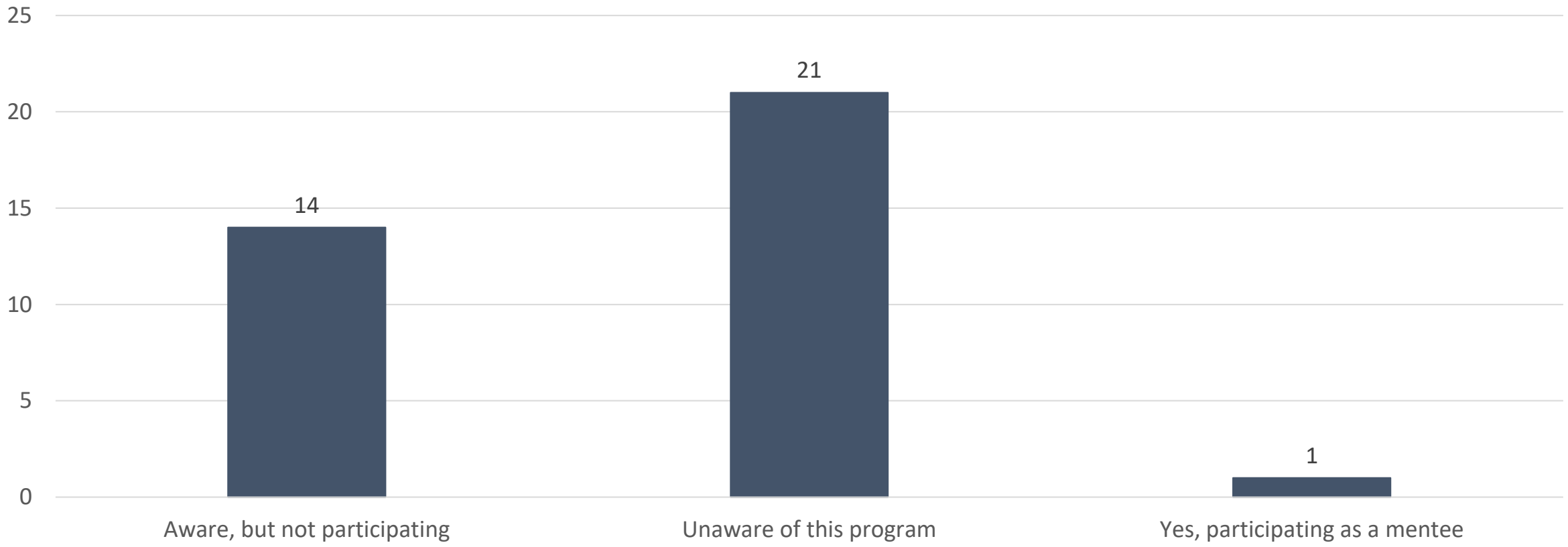
Are You Aware of the STS Database Mentorship Program?



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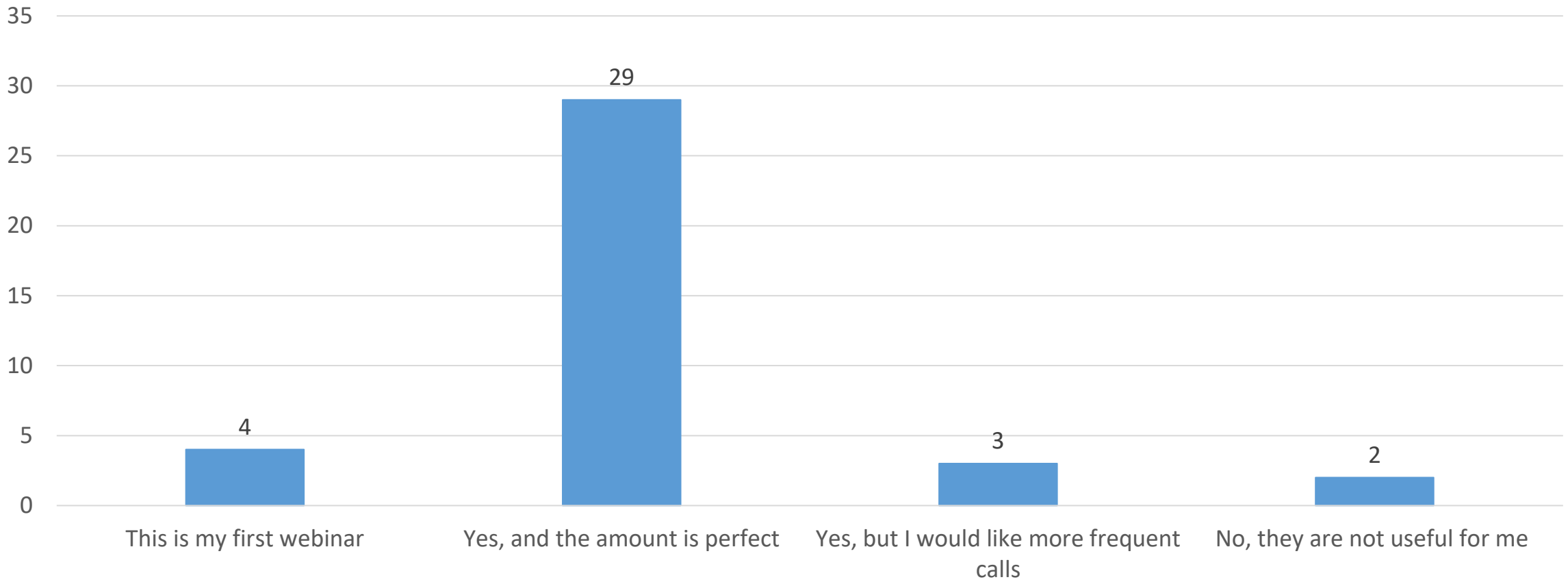
Do You Find the Monthly Webinars/Quarterly Report Reviews Helpful?



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What Is Your Current Knowledge Level of the STS National Databas?

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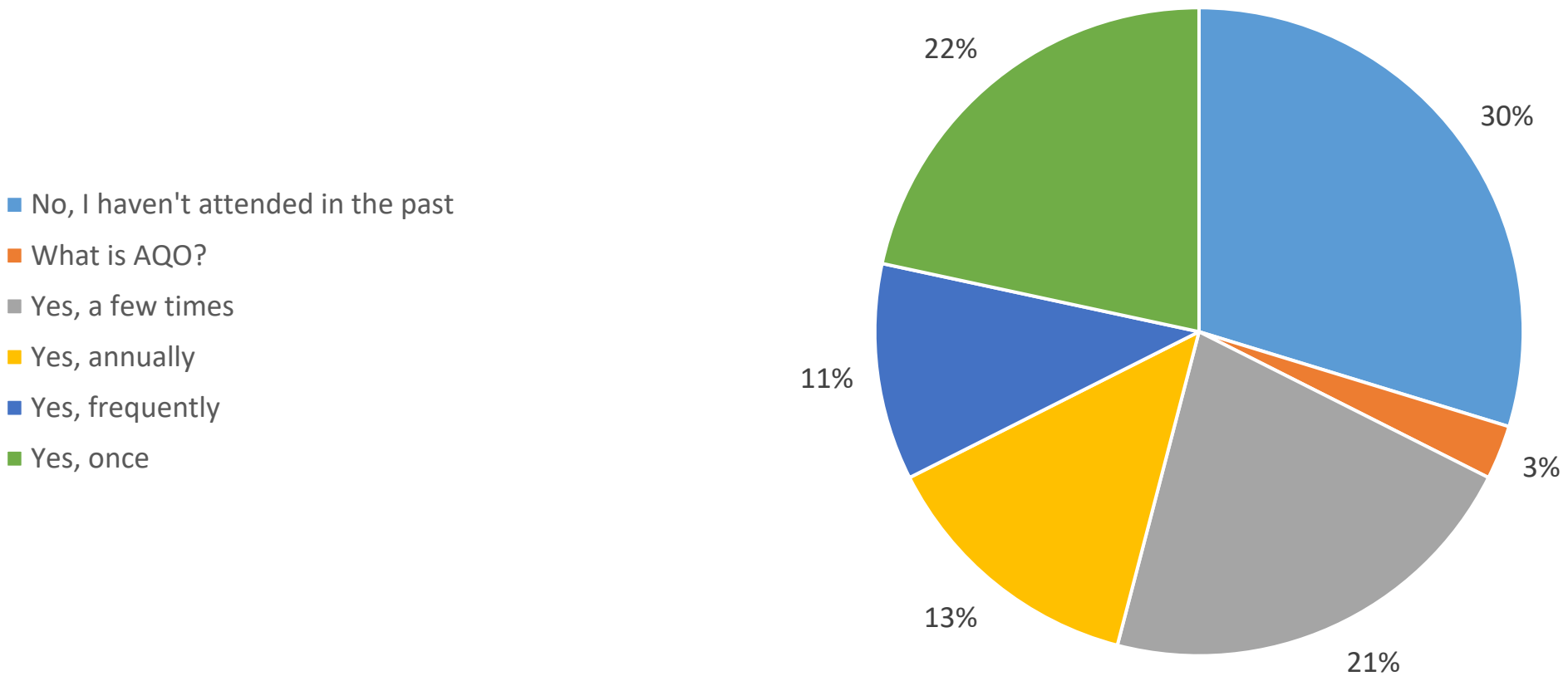
Have You Attended AQO in the Past?



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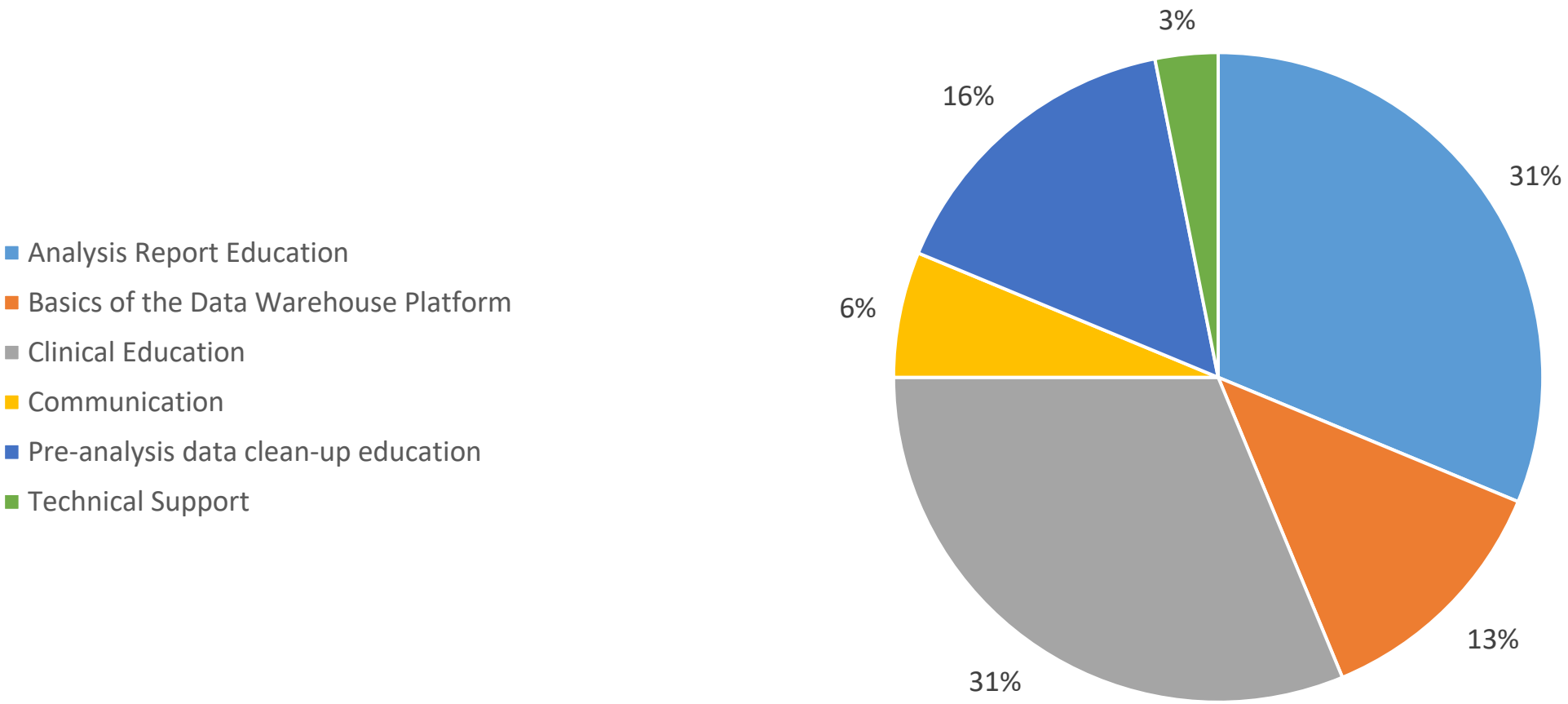
What Areas can STS Improve Upon?



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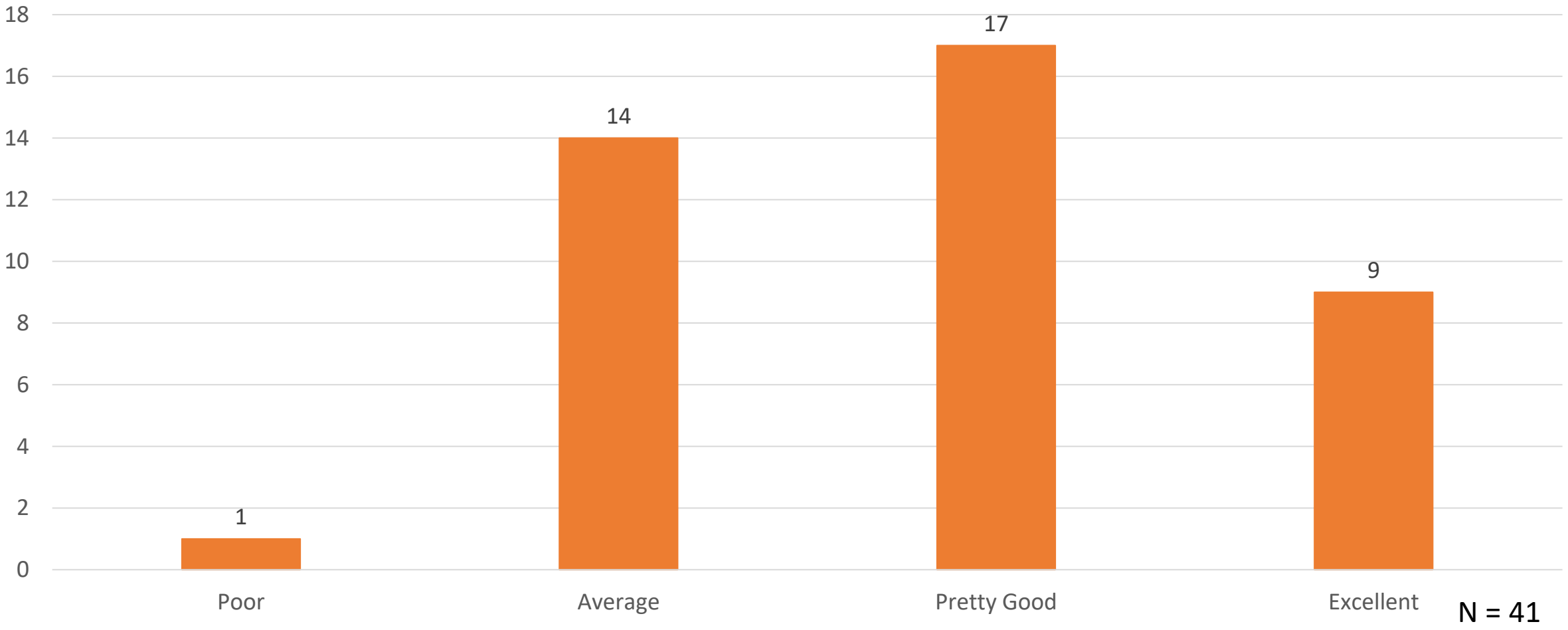
Rate STS's Communication Over the Last Year



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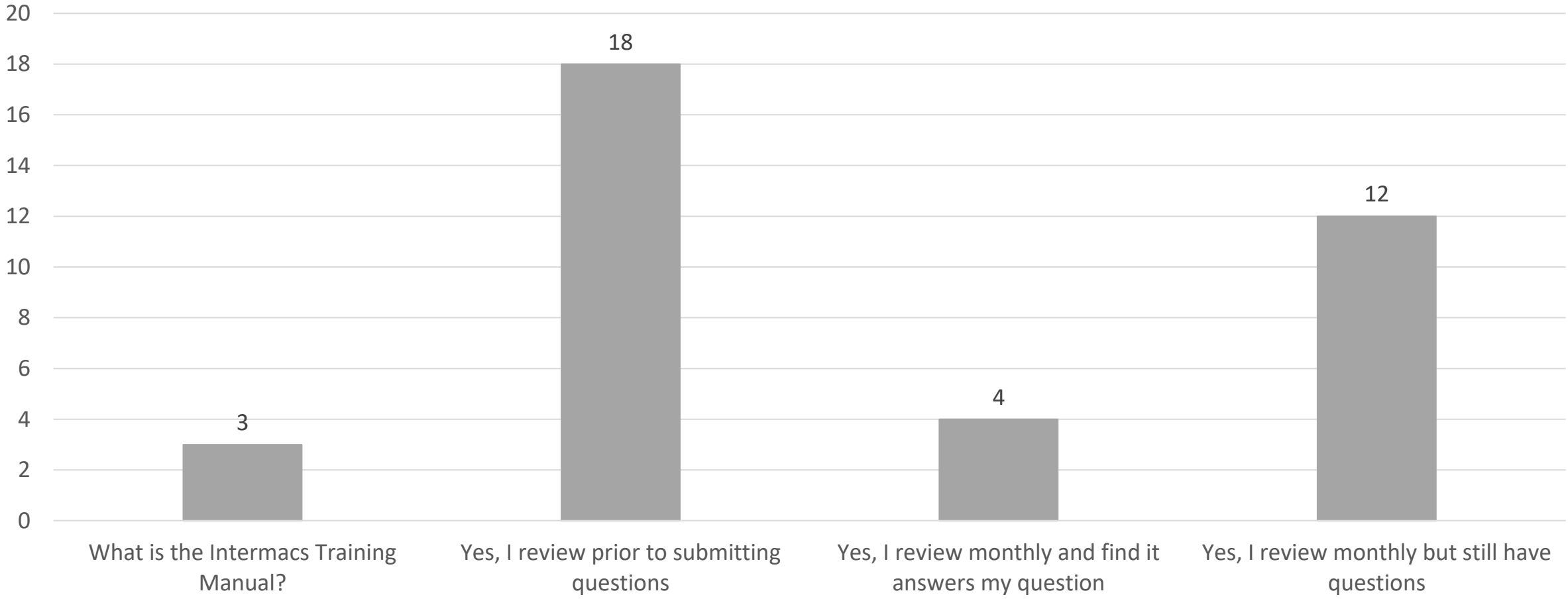
How Often Do You Use the Intermacs Training Manual?



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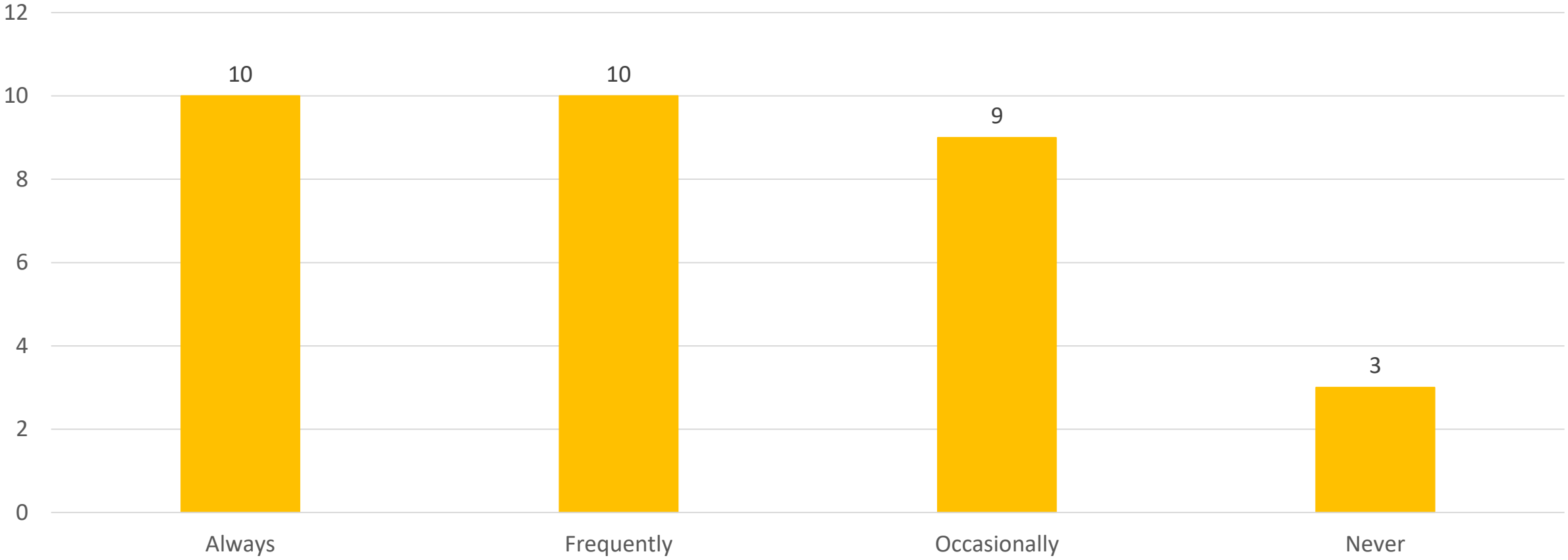
How Frequently Does Your Physician Representative Review the Intermacs/Pedimacs Data Quality Report?



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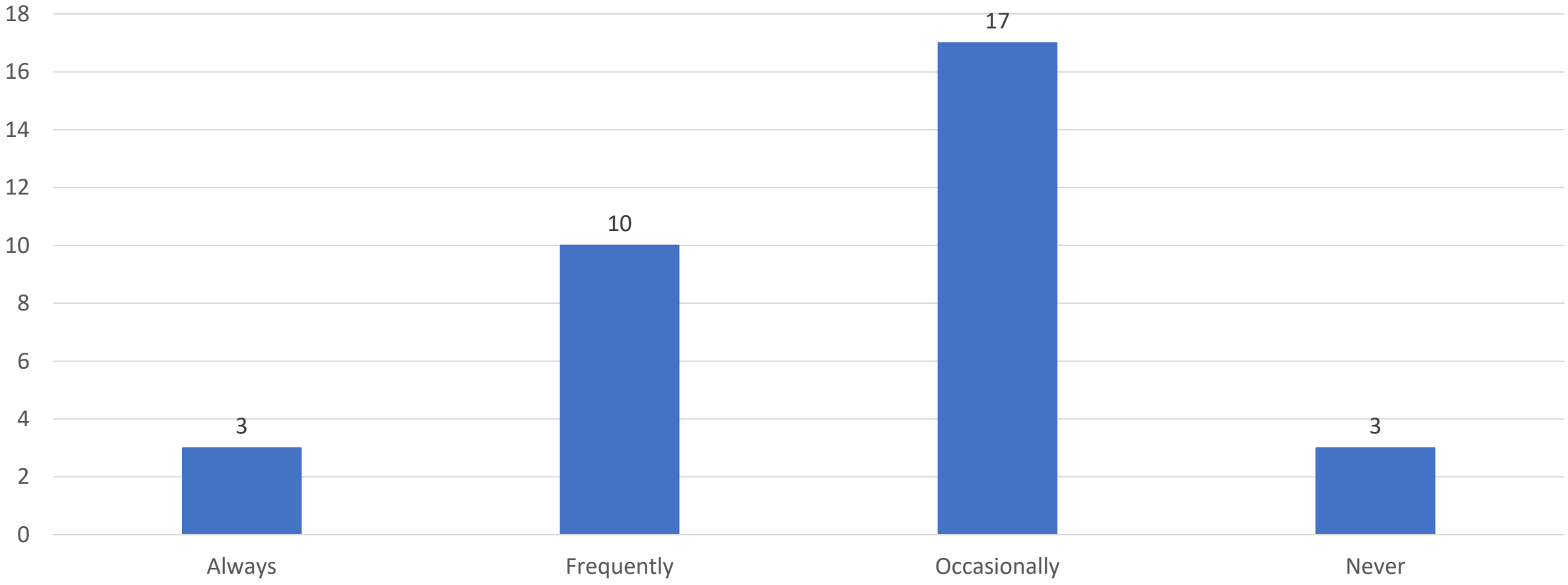
How Frequently Are Queries/Reports Run Using the Live Data Downloads?



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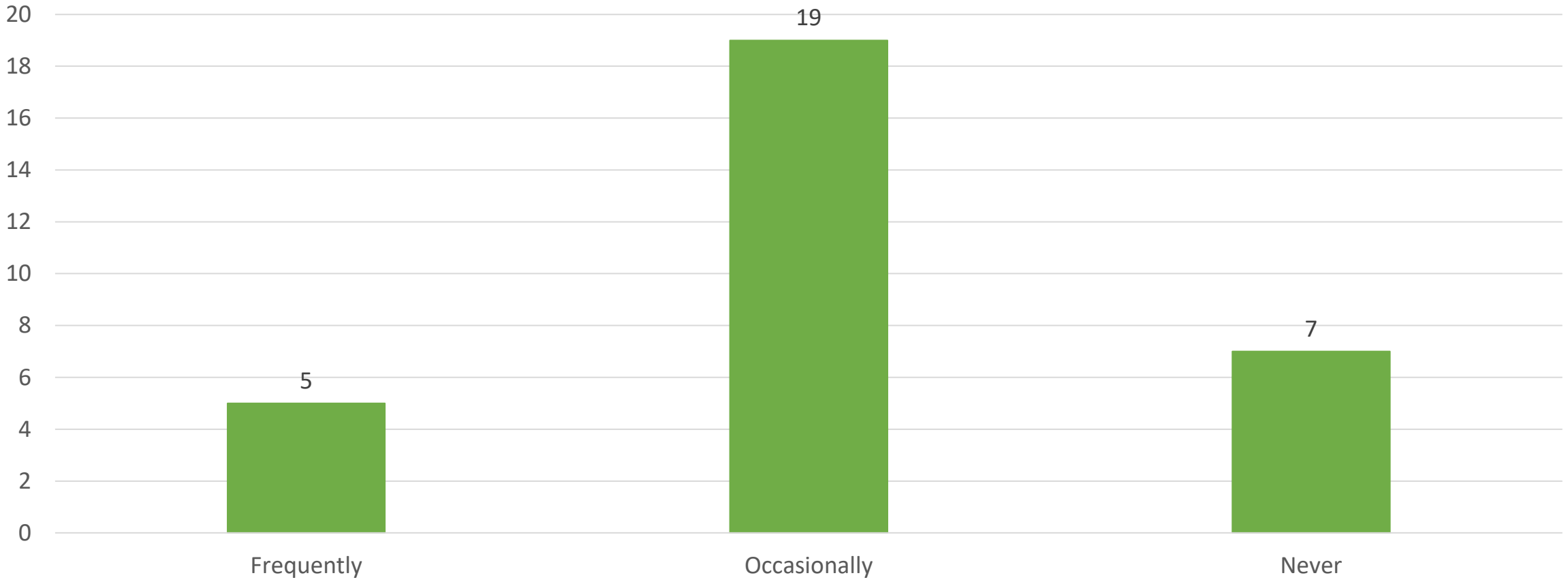
How Often Are Corrections Made to the Participant Data Based on the Intermacs DQR?



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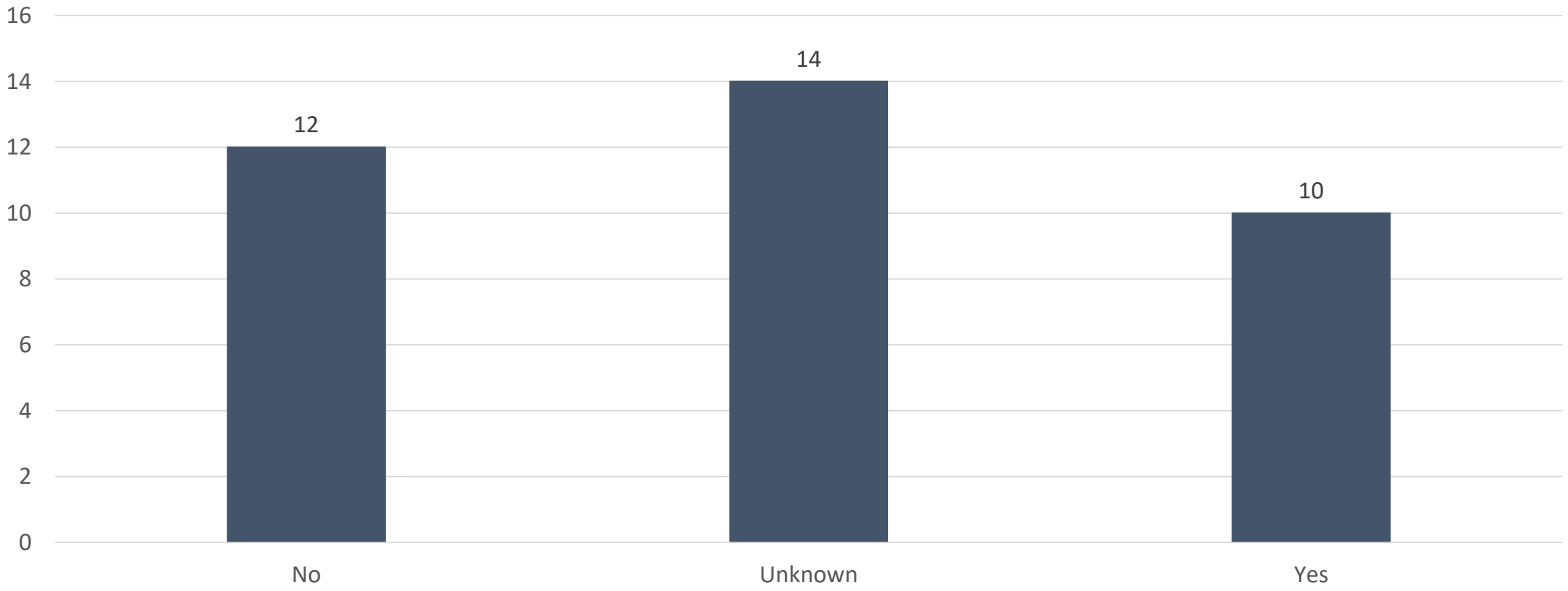
Has Your Site Ever Been Audited by STS?



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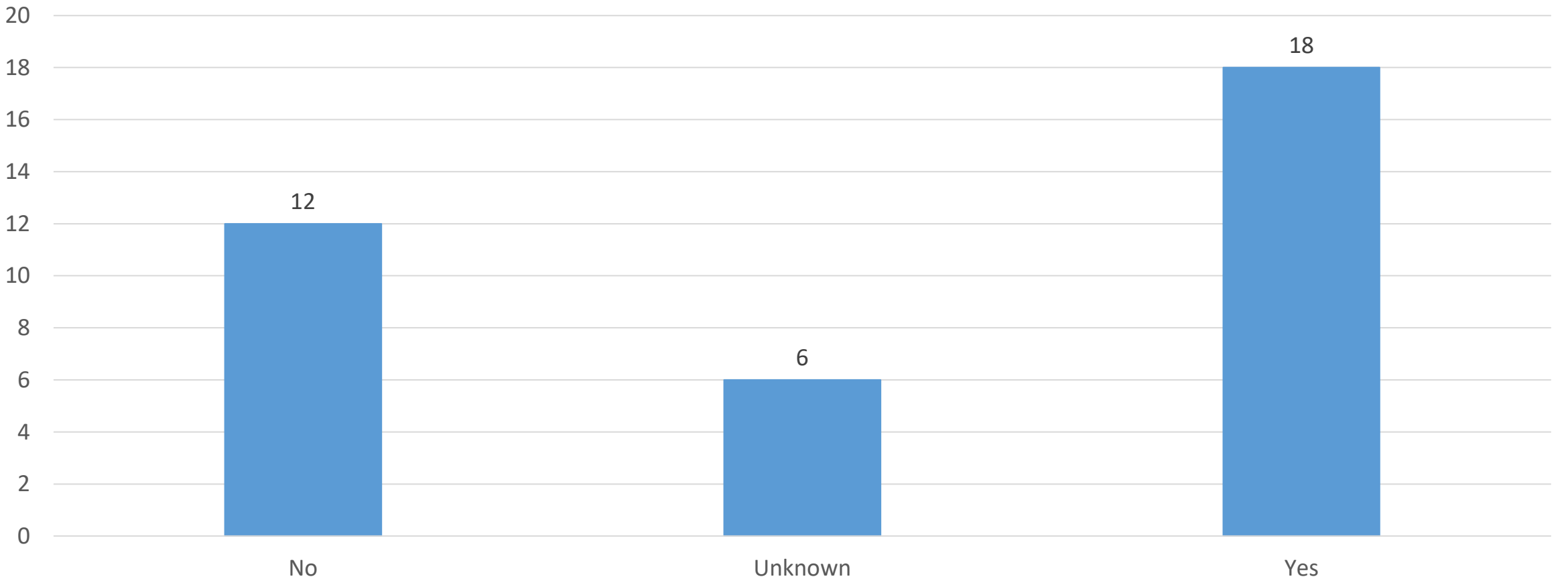
Do You Perform Internal Audits on Your Intermacs/Pedimacs Data?



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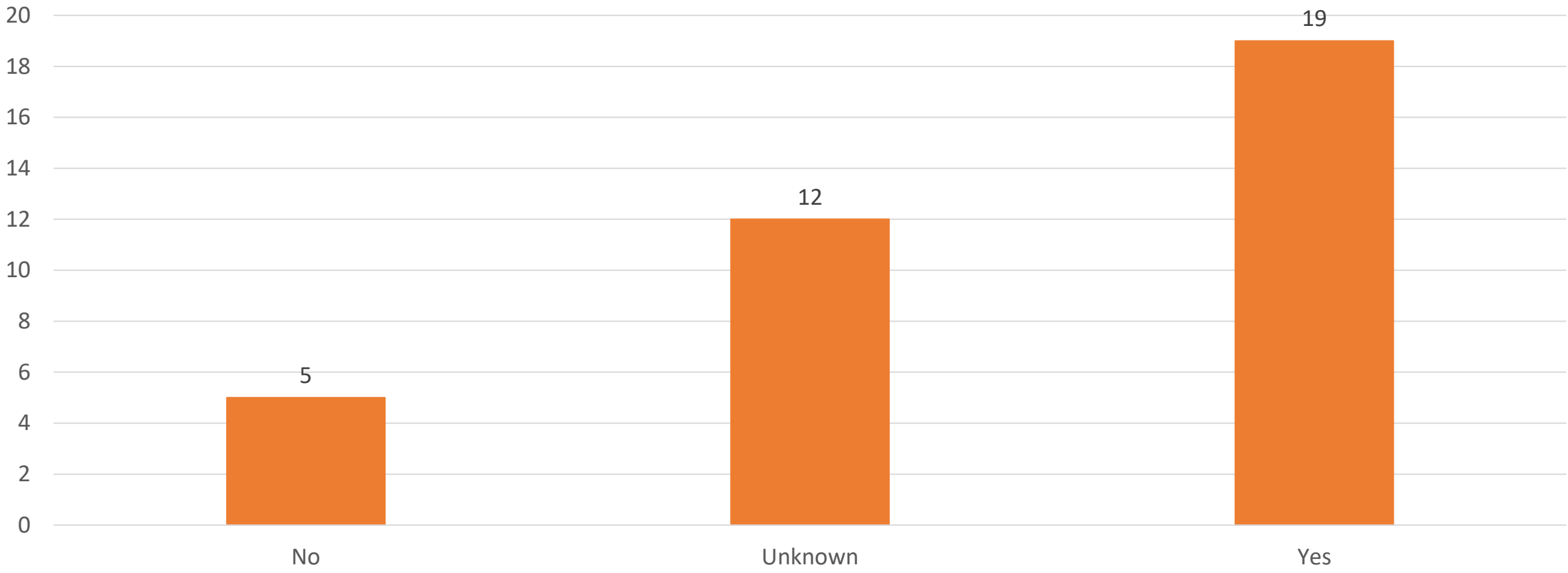
Have You Ever Utilized Your STS Data for QI Projects?



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For Those That Joined the AQO Hot Topics Webinar, Did You Find it Helpful?

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For Those That Attended AQO, Did You Find it Useful?

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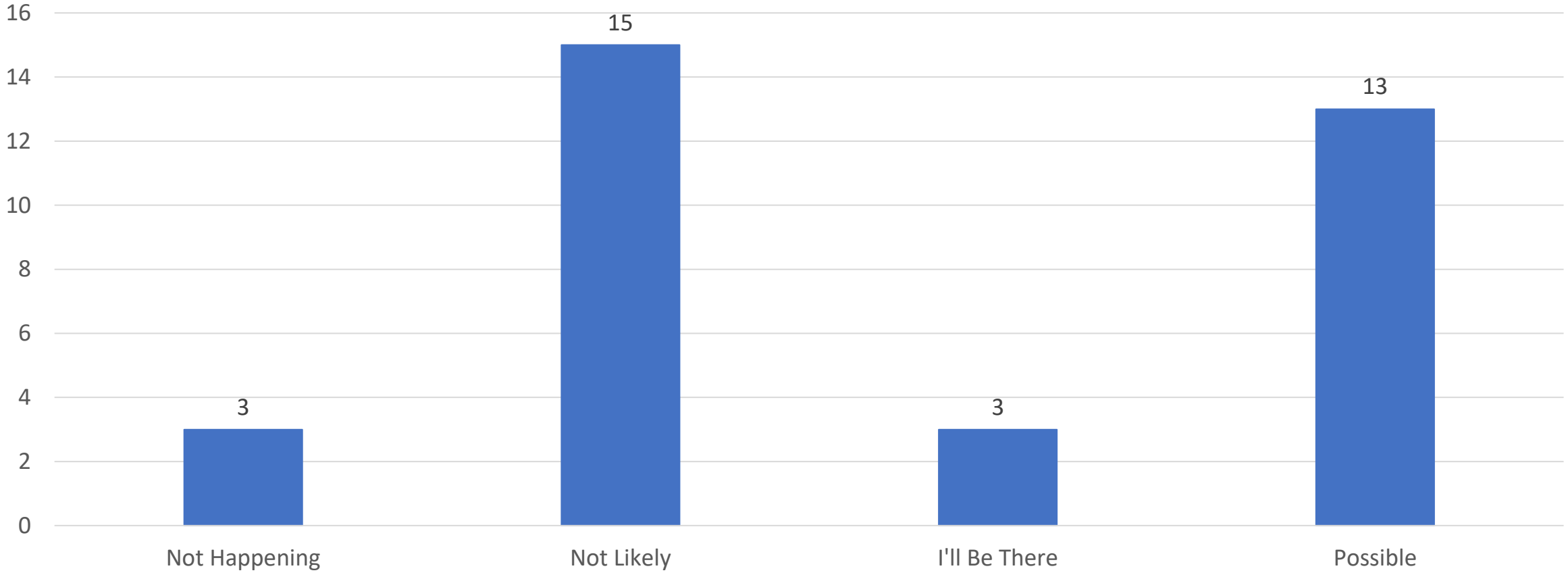
How Likely Are You to Attend an In-Person Meeting in 2024?



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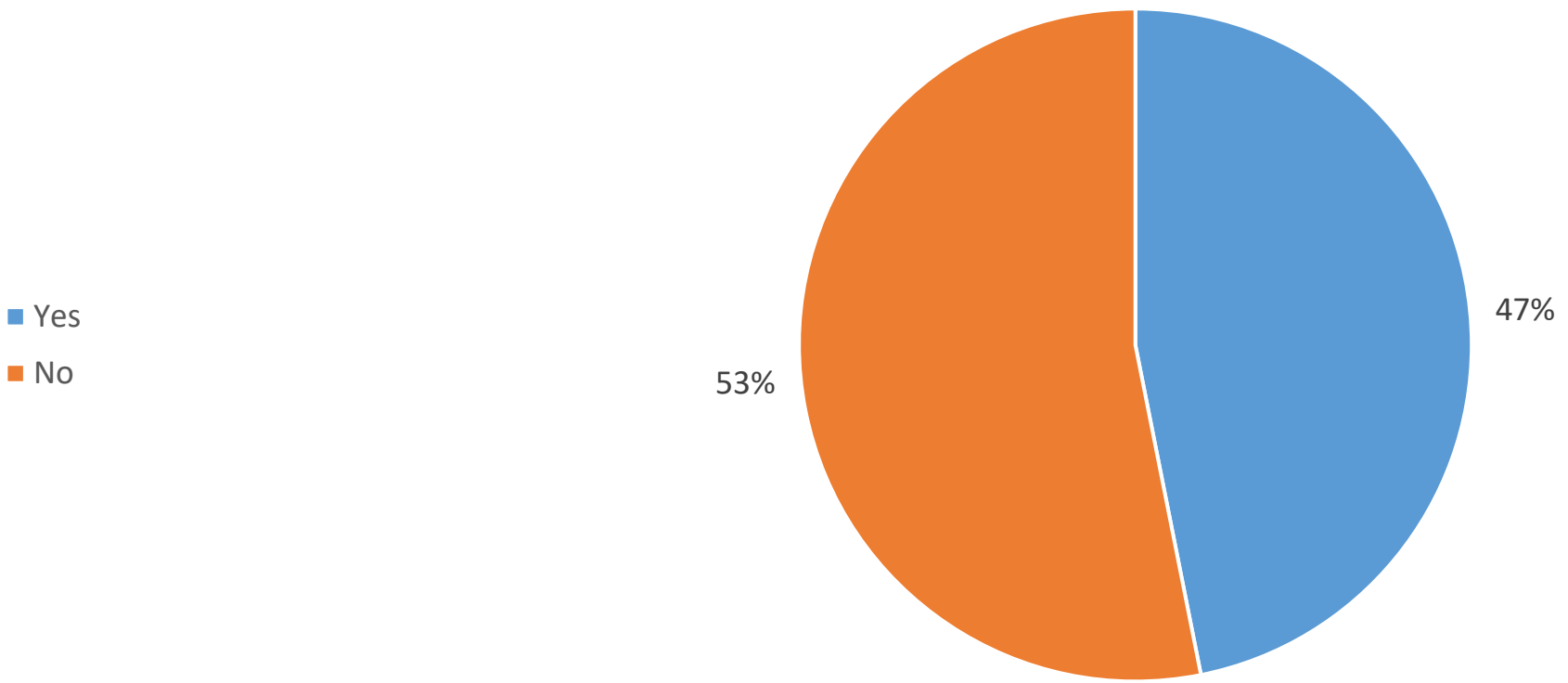
Does Your Institution Budget for Data Managers to Travel?



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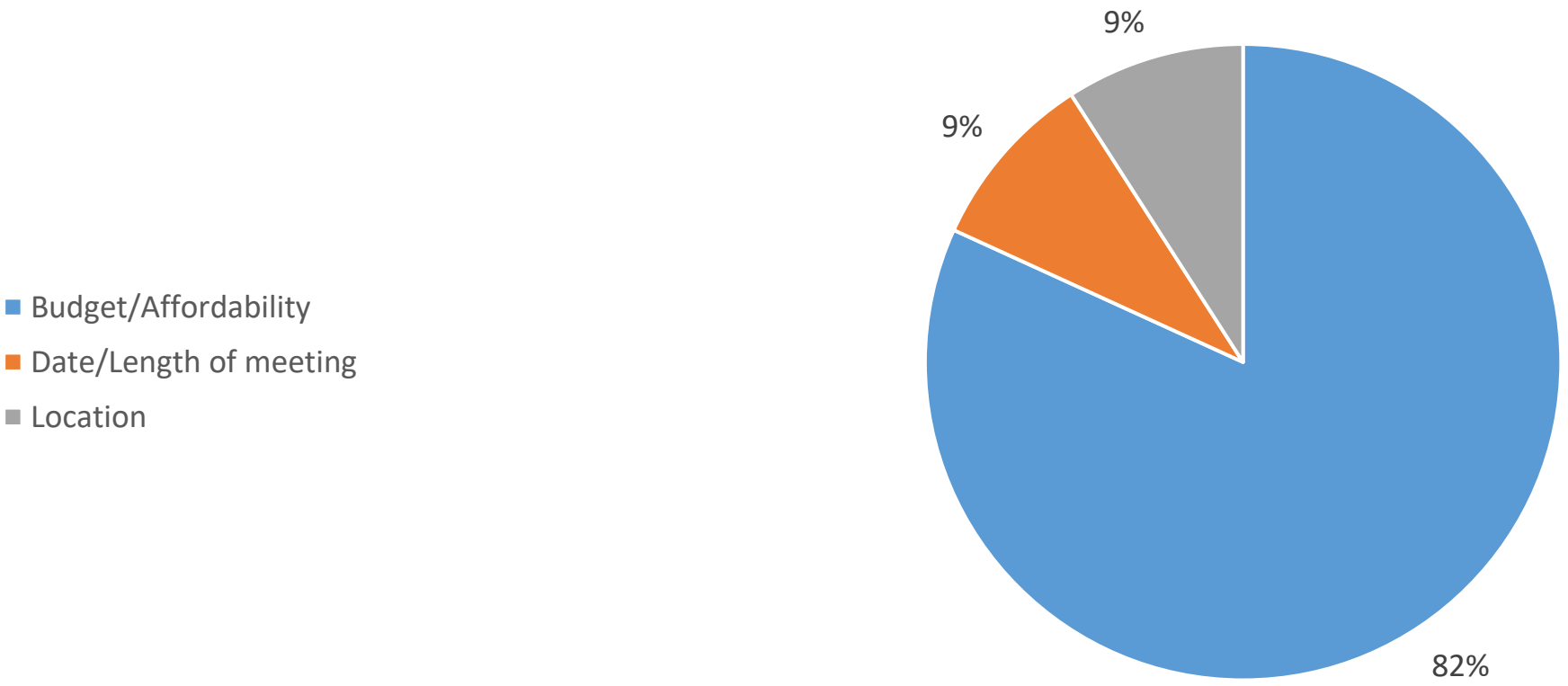
Which Challenge Do You Face with In-Person Meetings the Most?



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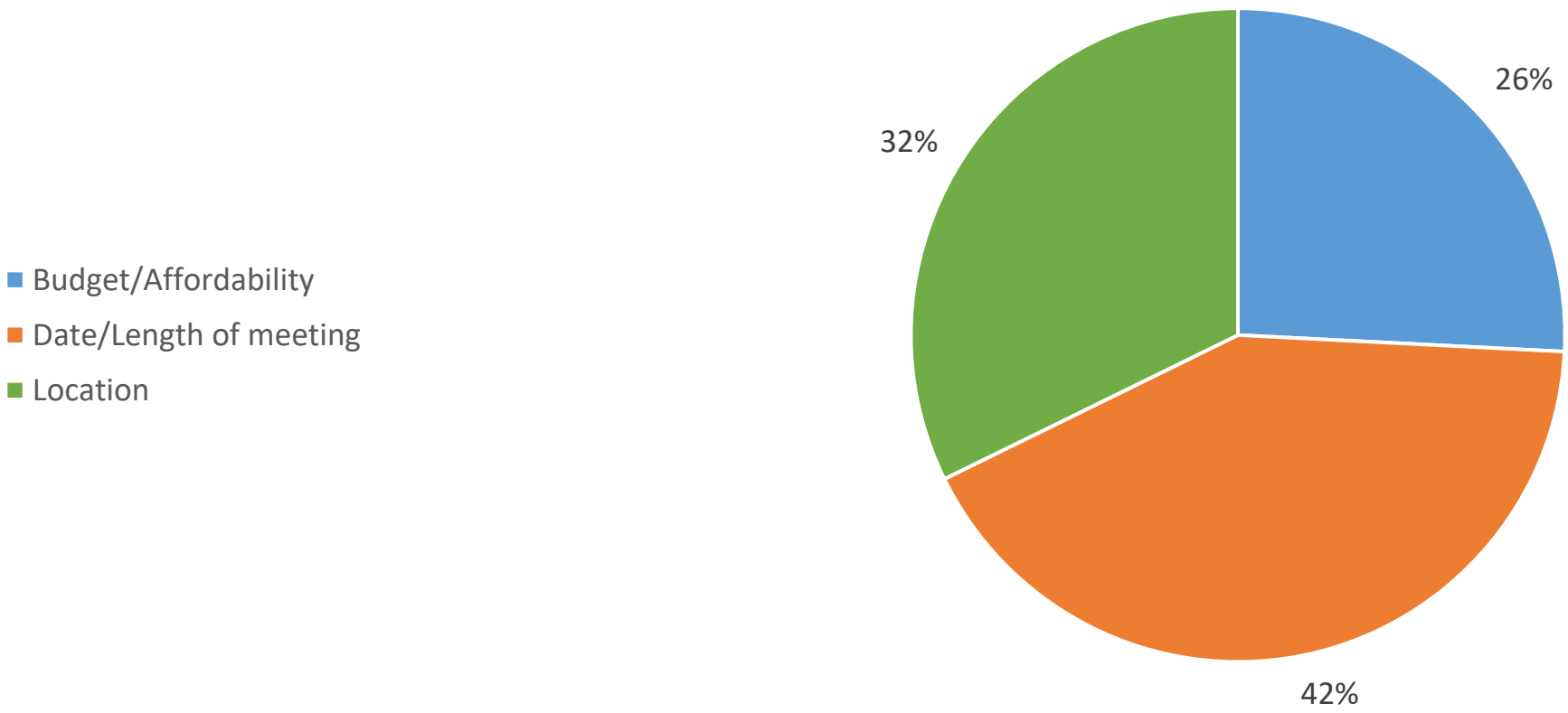

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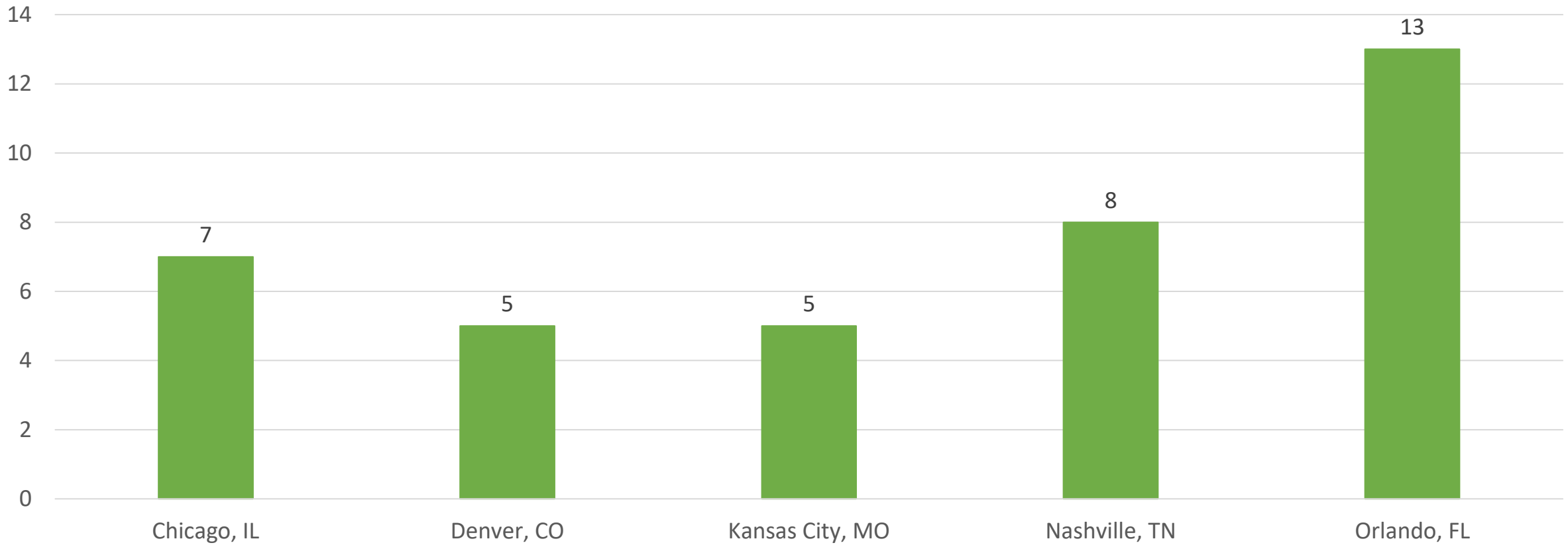
Which Location Can You Travel to the Easiest?



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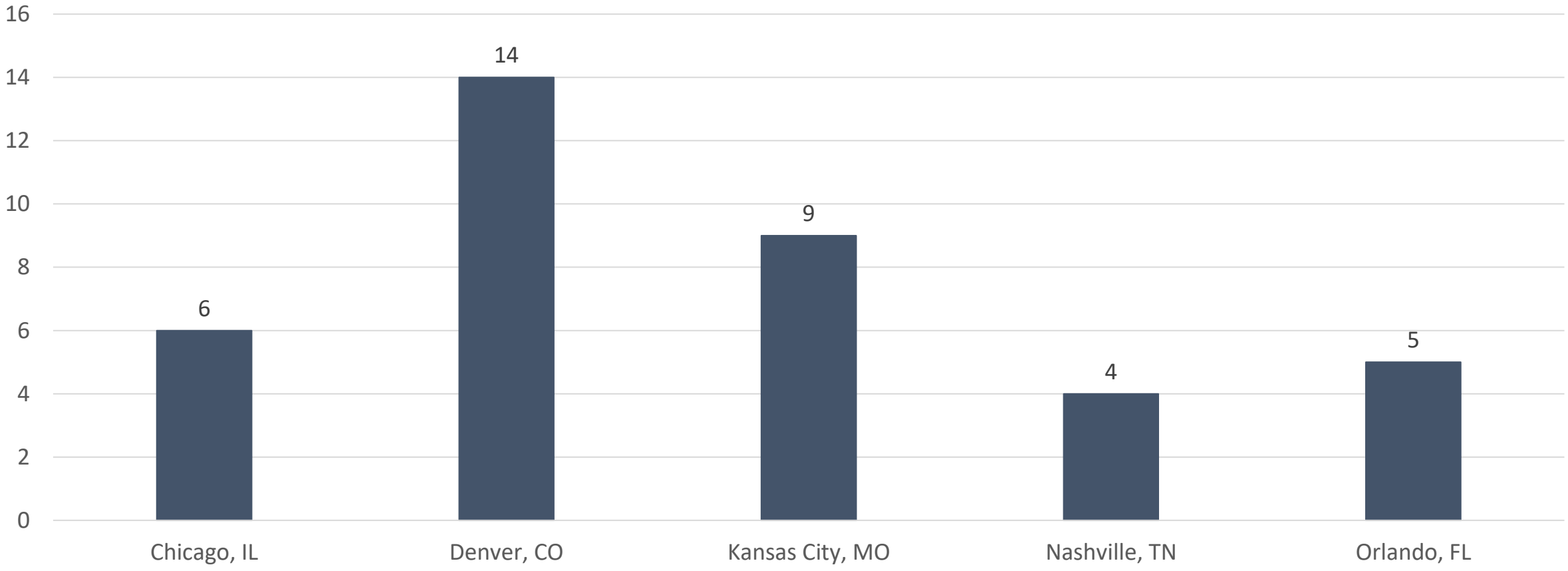
Which Location is the Most Difficult to Travel to?



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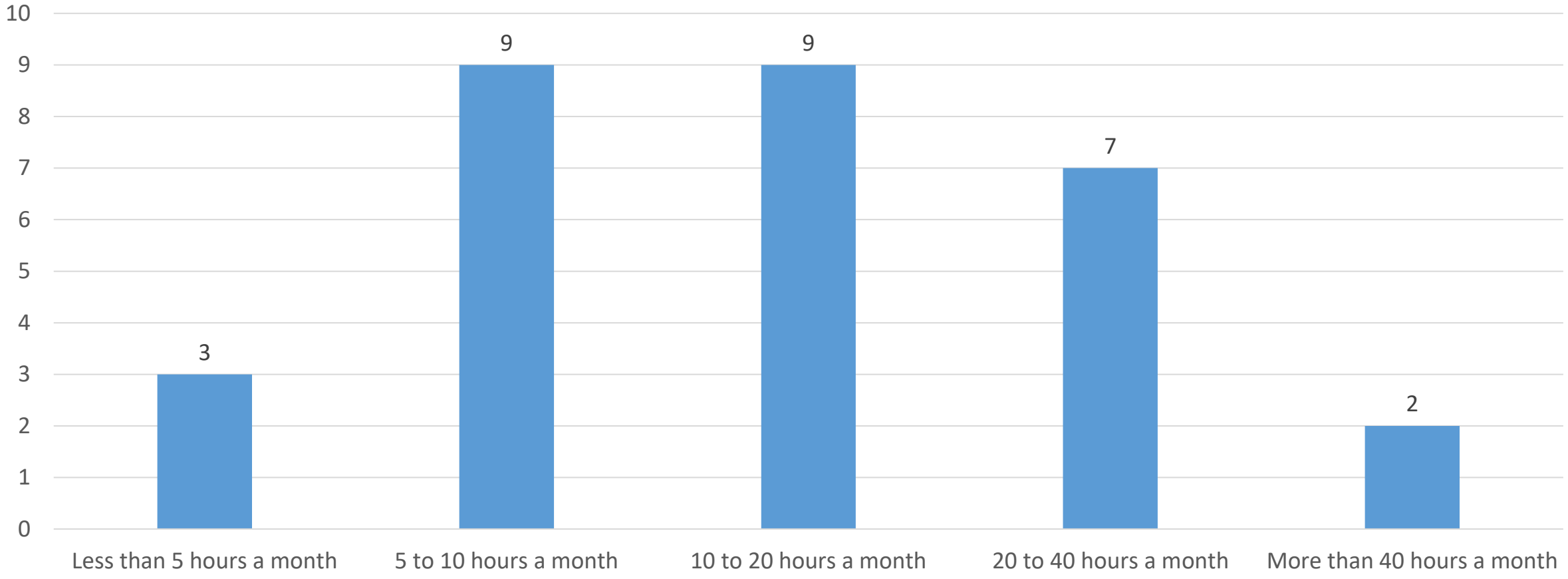
How Much Time Do You Spend on Completing Follow-Ups per Month?



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