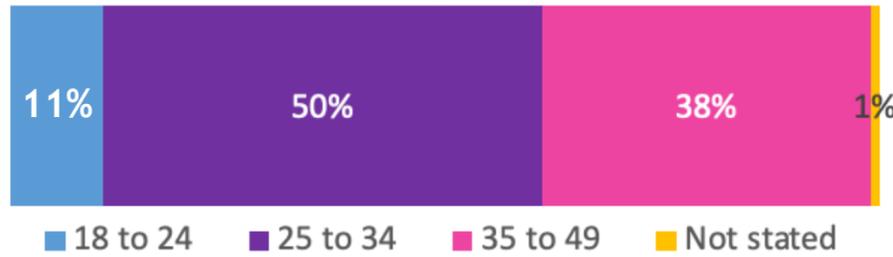


**Community
insights on
maternity choices**

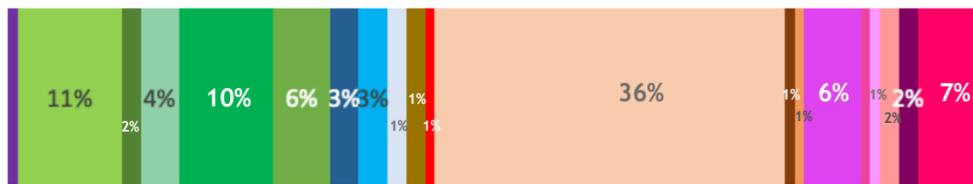


We spoke to 103 people who received antenatal care in Waltham Forest

Age

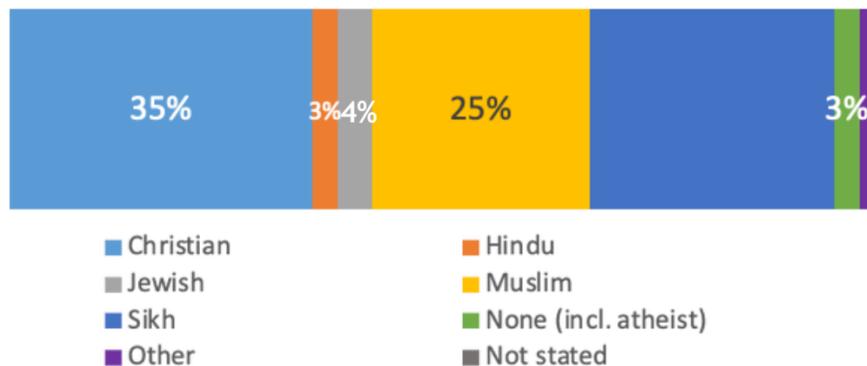


Ethnicity



- Arab
- Asian: Chinese
- Asian: Pakistani
- Black: Caribbean
- Latin American
- Mixed: White and Black Caribbean
- White: Bulgarian
- White: Other
- White: Romanian
- Other ethnicity
- Asian: Bangladeshi
- Asian: Indian
- Black: African
- Jewish
- Mixed: Other
- White: British
- White: Irish
- White: Polish
- White: Turkish
- Not stated

Religion



Financial situation



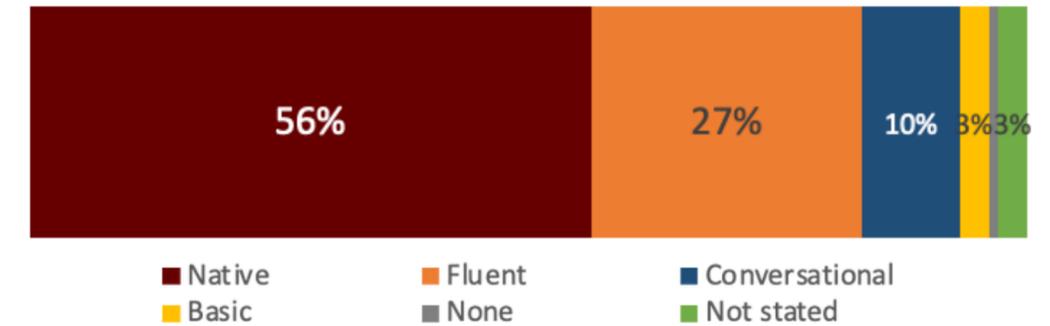
- Very comfortable (I have more than enough money for living expenses, and a LOT spare to save or spend on extras)
- Quite comfortable (I have enough money for living expenses, and a LITTLE spare to save or spend on extras)
- Just getting by (I have just enough money for living expenses and little else)
- Really struggling (I don't have enough money for living expenses and sometimes run out of money)
- Not stated

Educational level



- Undergrad or postgrad university degree
- Secondary or non-university post-secondary
- Primary education
- None

English Fluency



- Native
- Fluent
- Conversational
- Basic
- None
- Not stated



2% were disabled

2% were neuro-divergent



10% were single parents/parents-to-be

18% were digitally excluded



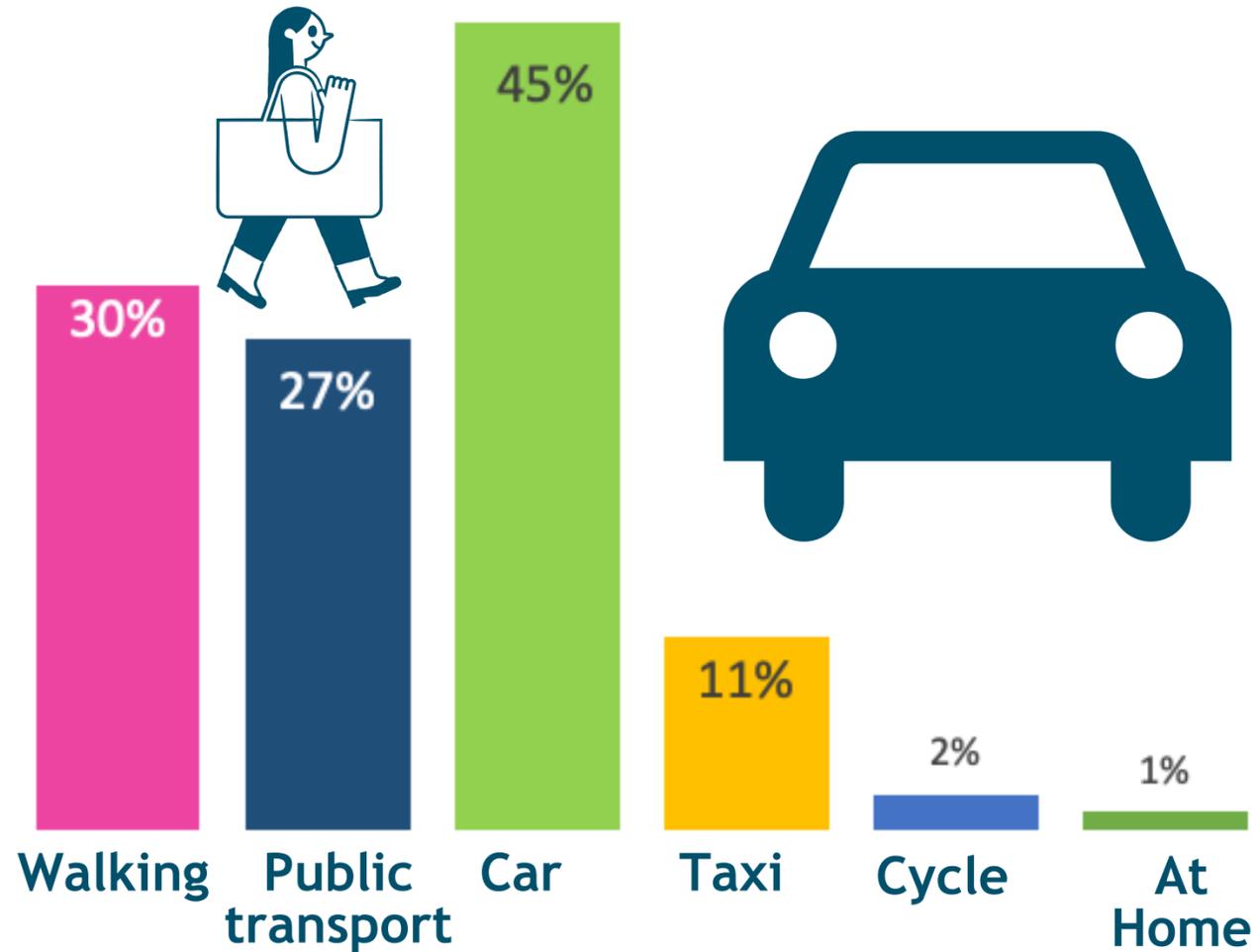
7% lived in multi-generational households

1% lived with housemates



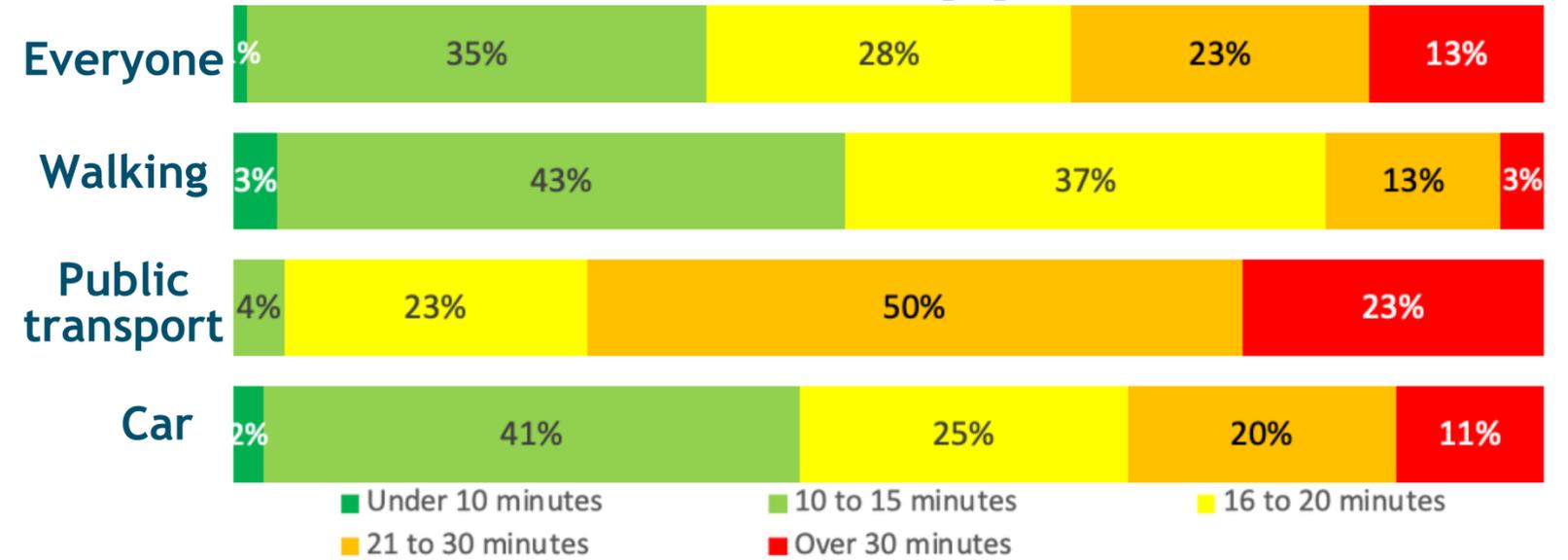
Travelling to appointments

How patients travelled to antenatal appointments

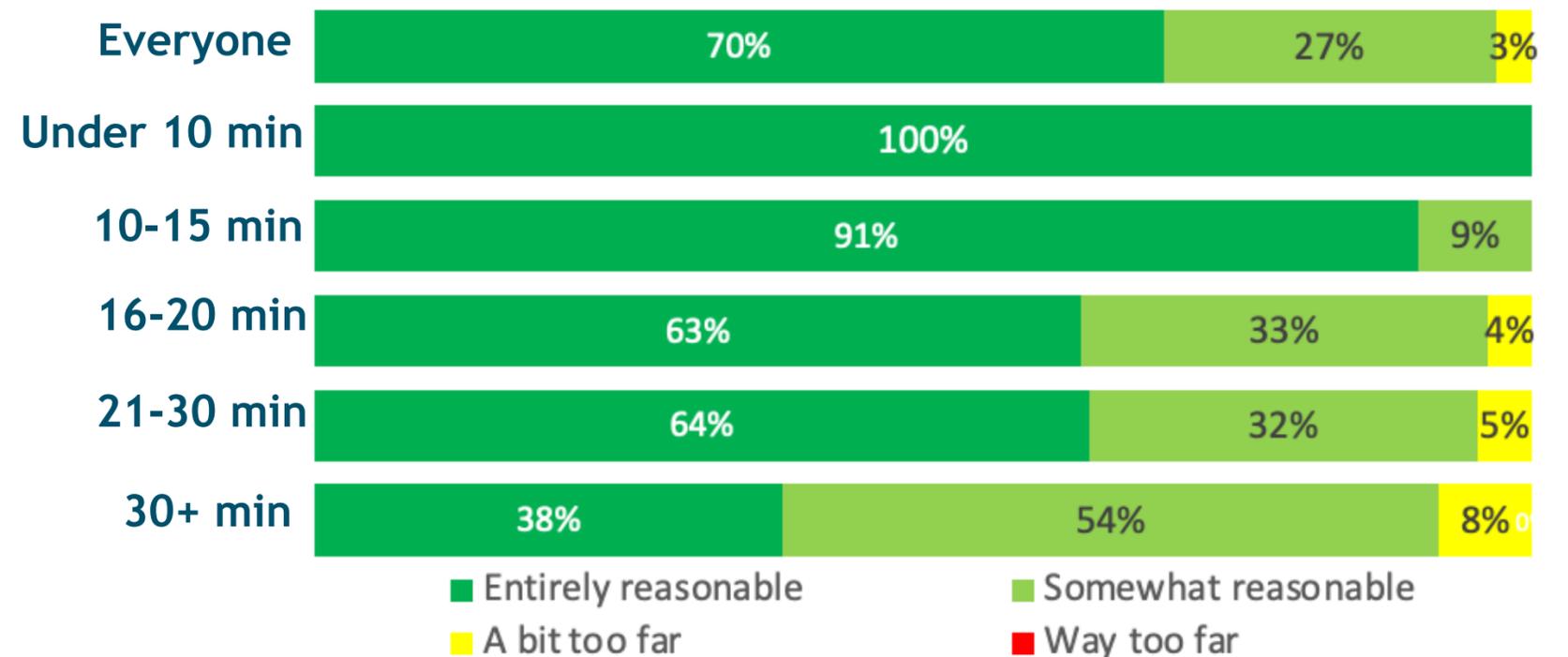


Mothers-to be travelled, on average, for **22 minutes** for an antenatal appointment.

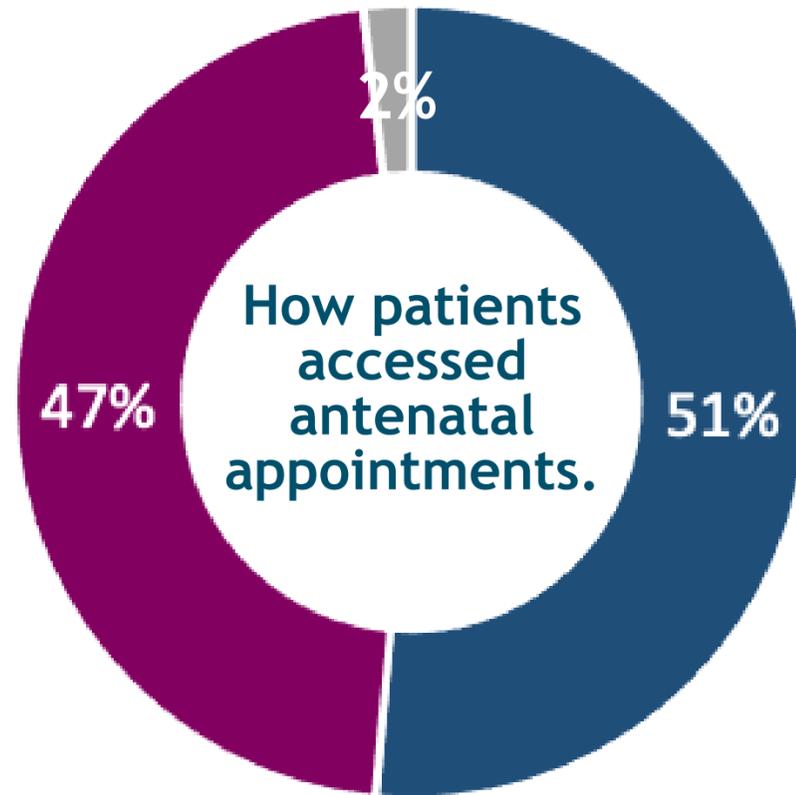
Travel time to appointments



Opinion of travel time to appointments



Choosing appointments



- Self-referred
- Referred by GP
- Other

69% of all patients

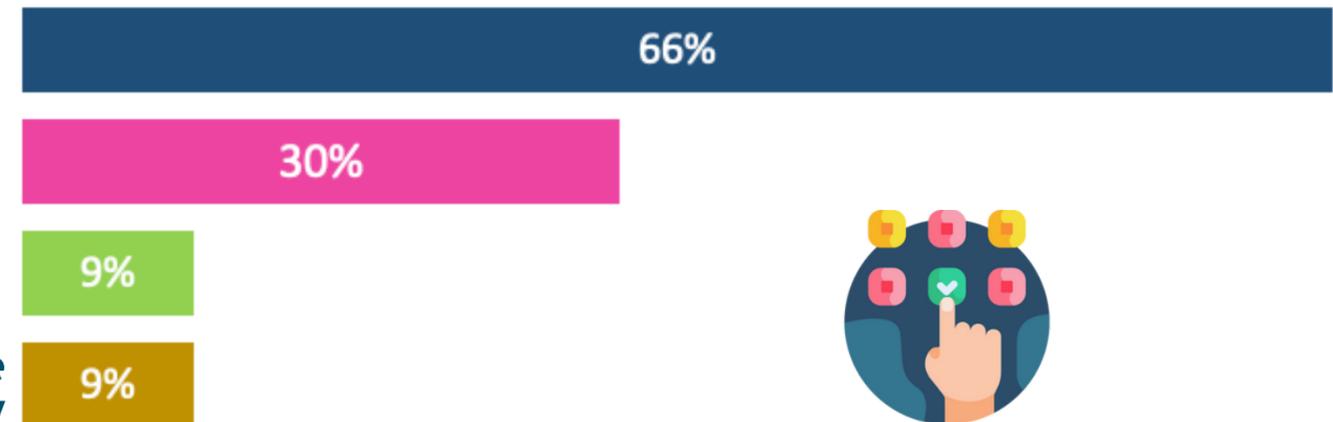
38% of GP referrals

98% of self referrals

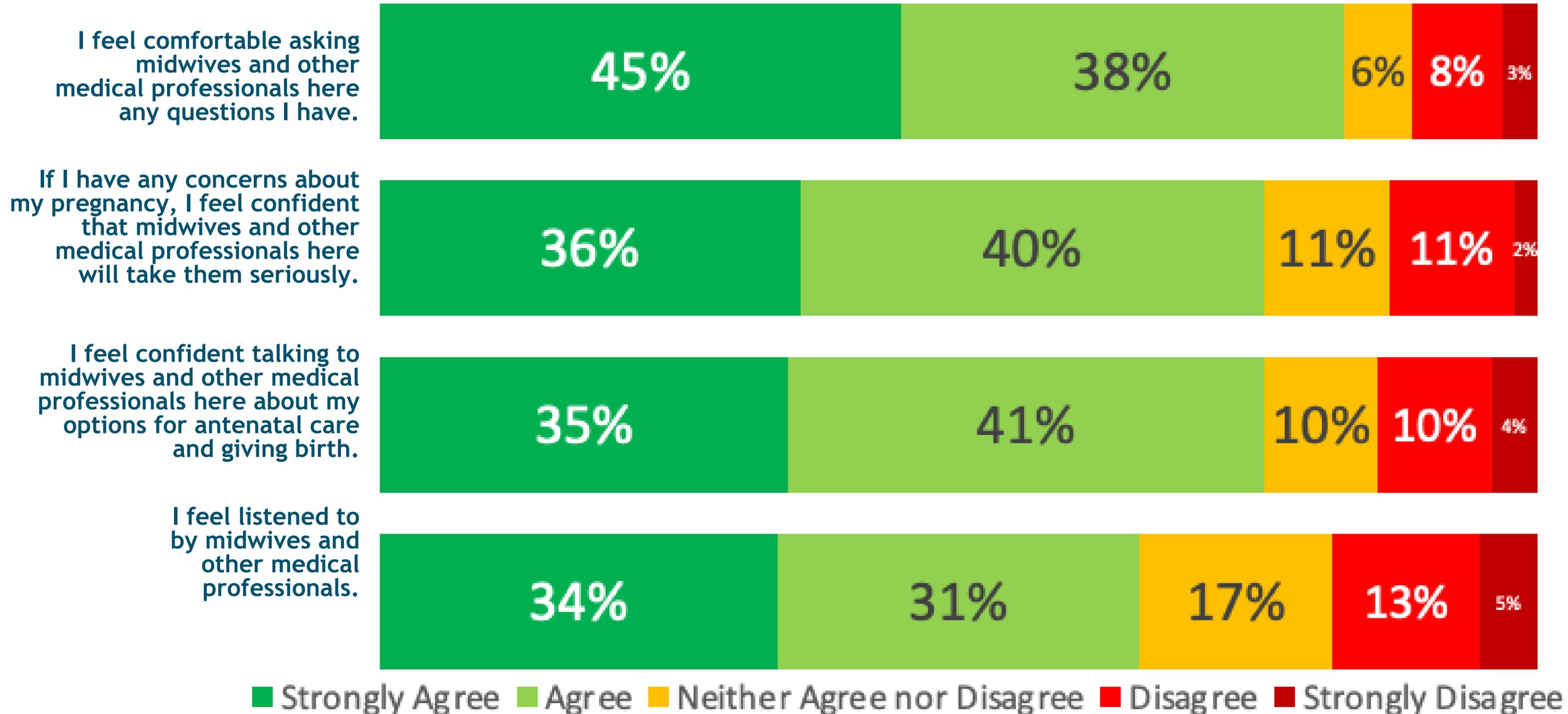
said they had a choice about where to have antenatal appointments.

Reasons for choosing this location for antenatal appointments (patients who DID have a choice)

- Location close to home
- Good reputation/ ratings/ recommendations
- Best for my specific needs and /or preferences
- Received care here before for a previous pregnancy

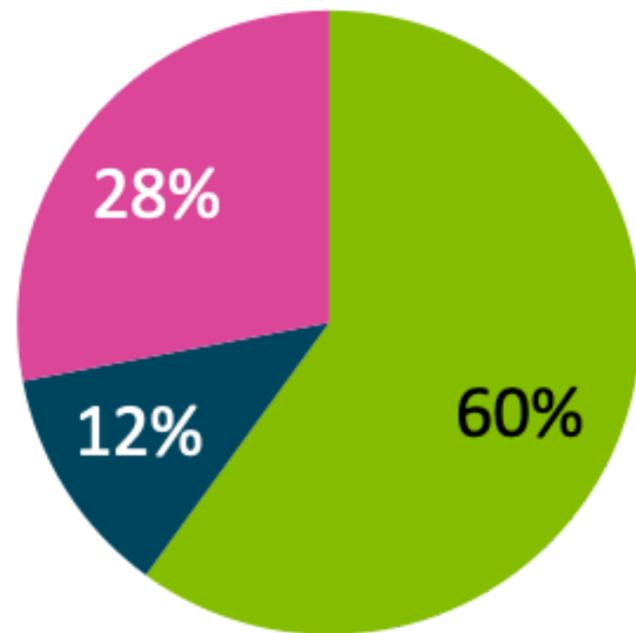


Experience of antenatal appointments

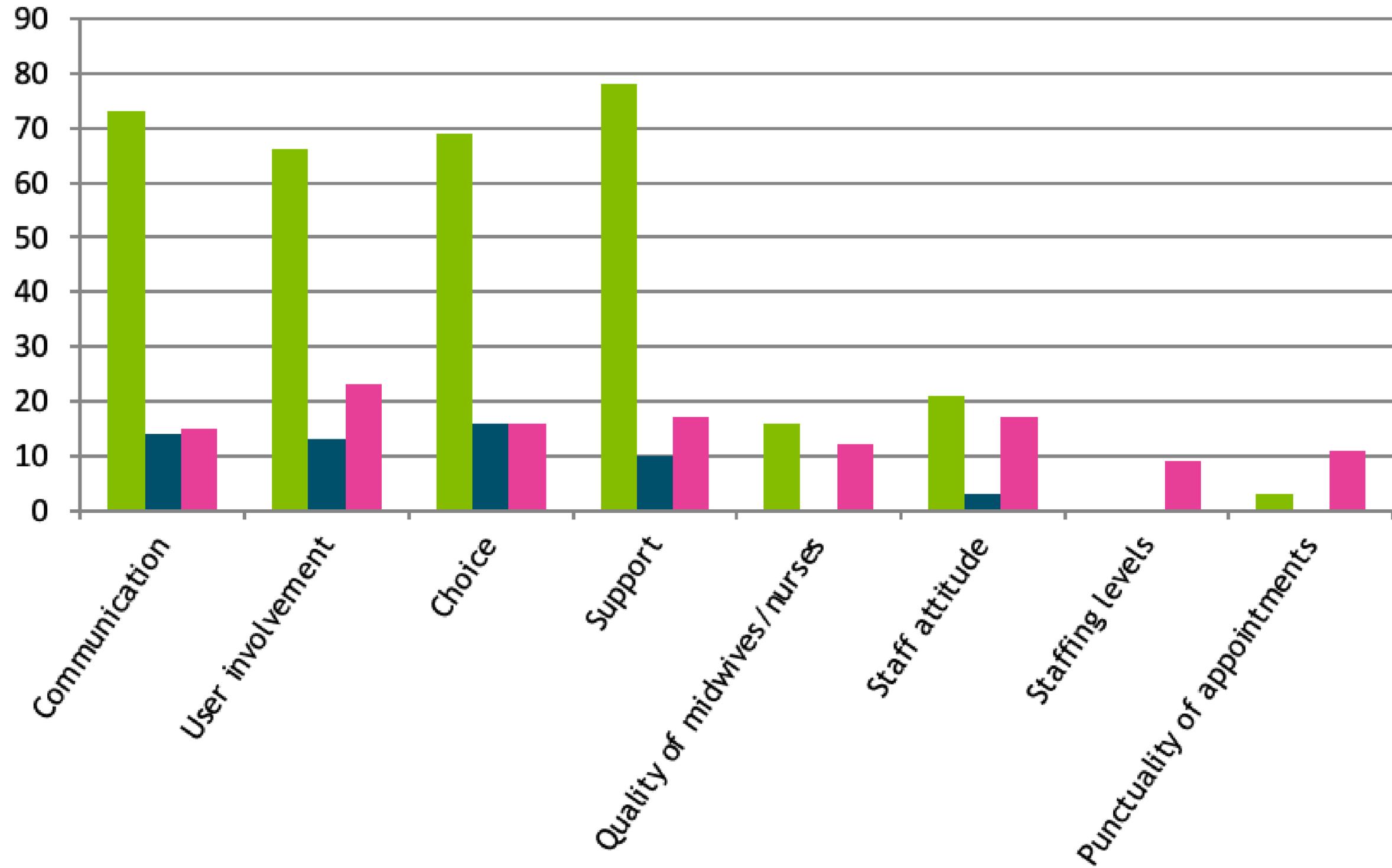


Experience of antenatal appointments

Experience of Homerton Hospital overall

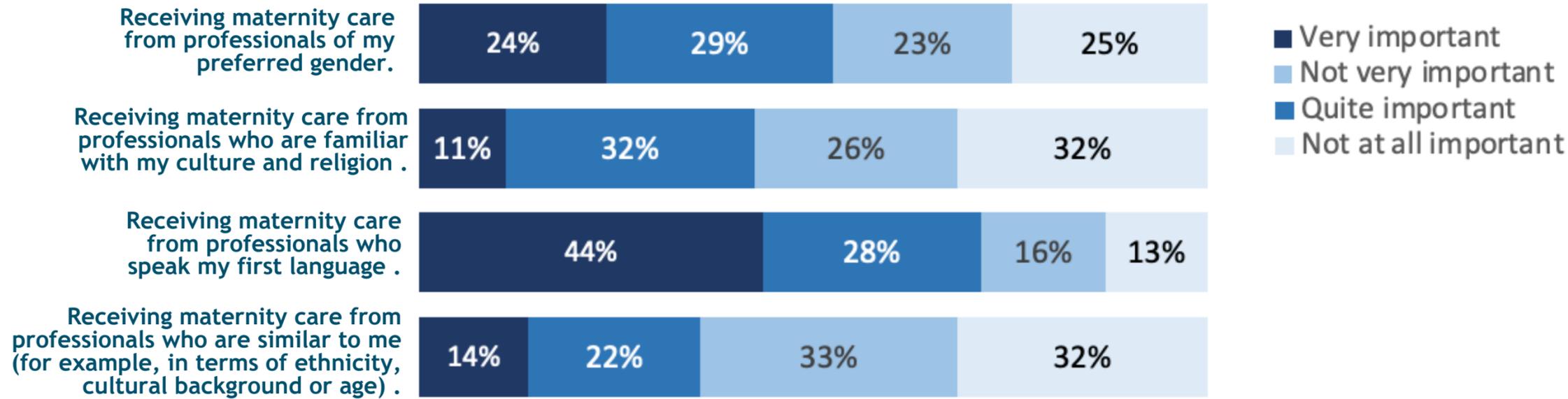


- positive
- neutral
- negative

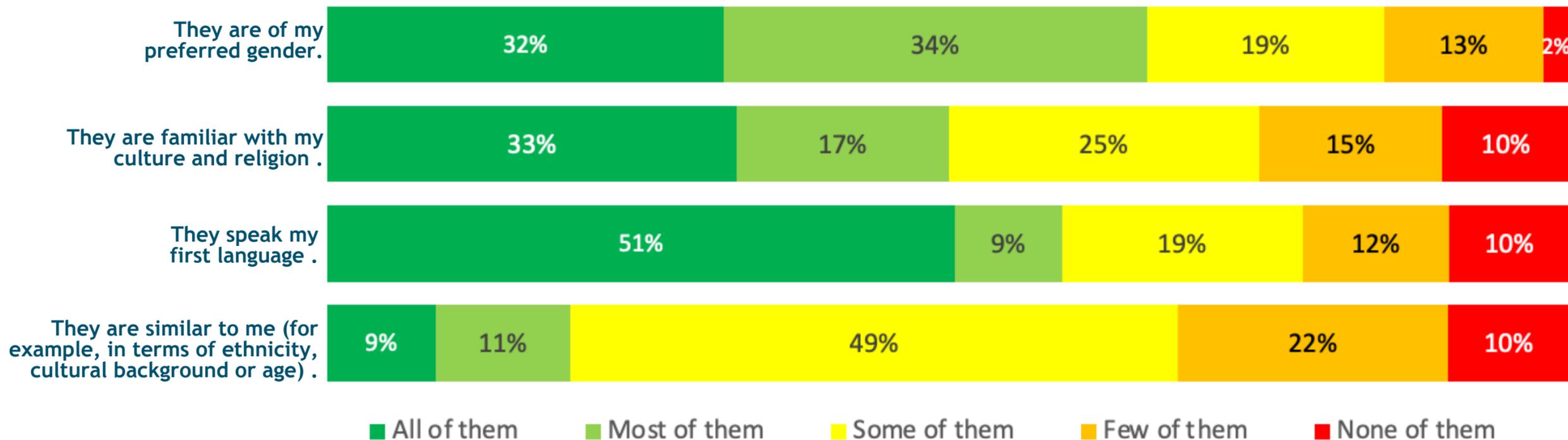


Cultural sensitivity

How important are the following for you?



Do these describe professionals who give you antenatal care?



Voices for progress



Go to the same place and see the same few people rather than someone different every time

They need more funding for more midwives and for women to have one point of contact through their pregnancy

Communication/listening to mums. I was uncomfortable and asked to be checked after baby was born, was told this is not necessary. On later examination was told I had piles