



SMS Community Survey 2023

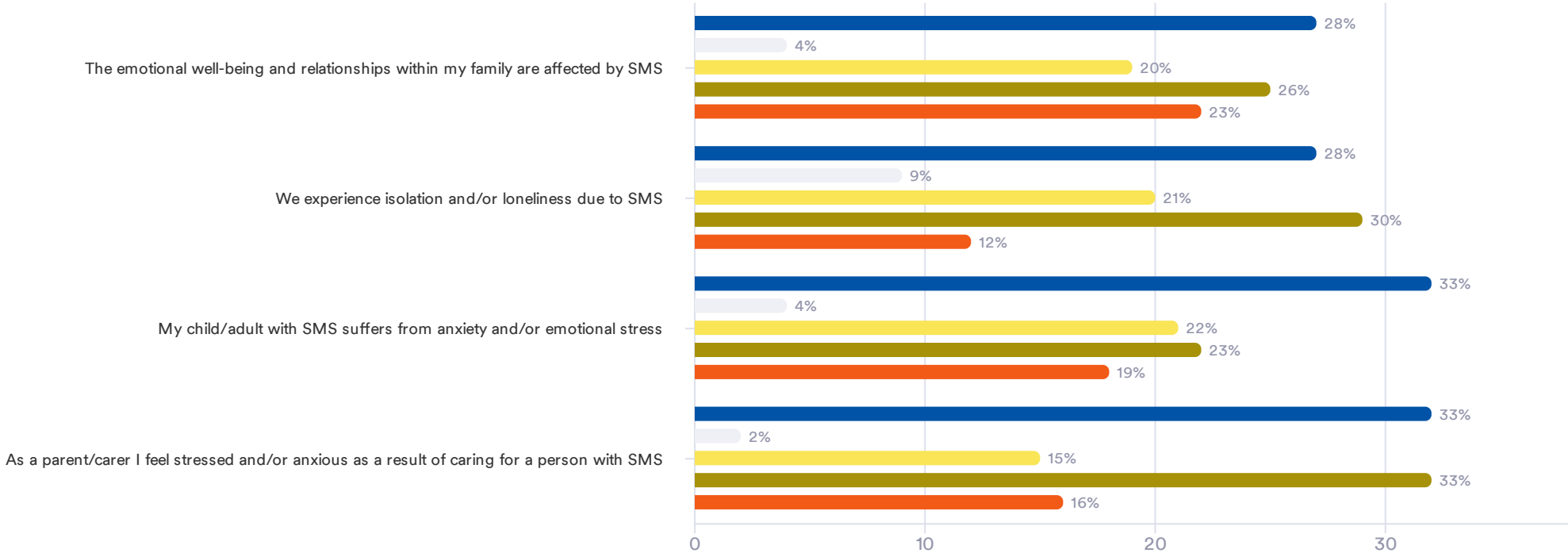
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Please rate the following statements about your emotional and mental well-being (please rotate on mobiles and small screens to view all options)

97 Responses

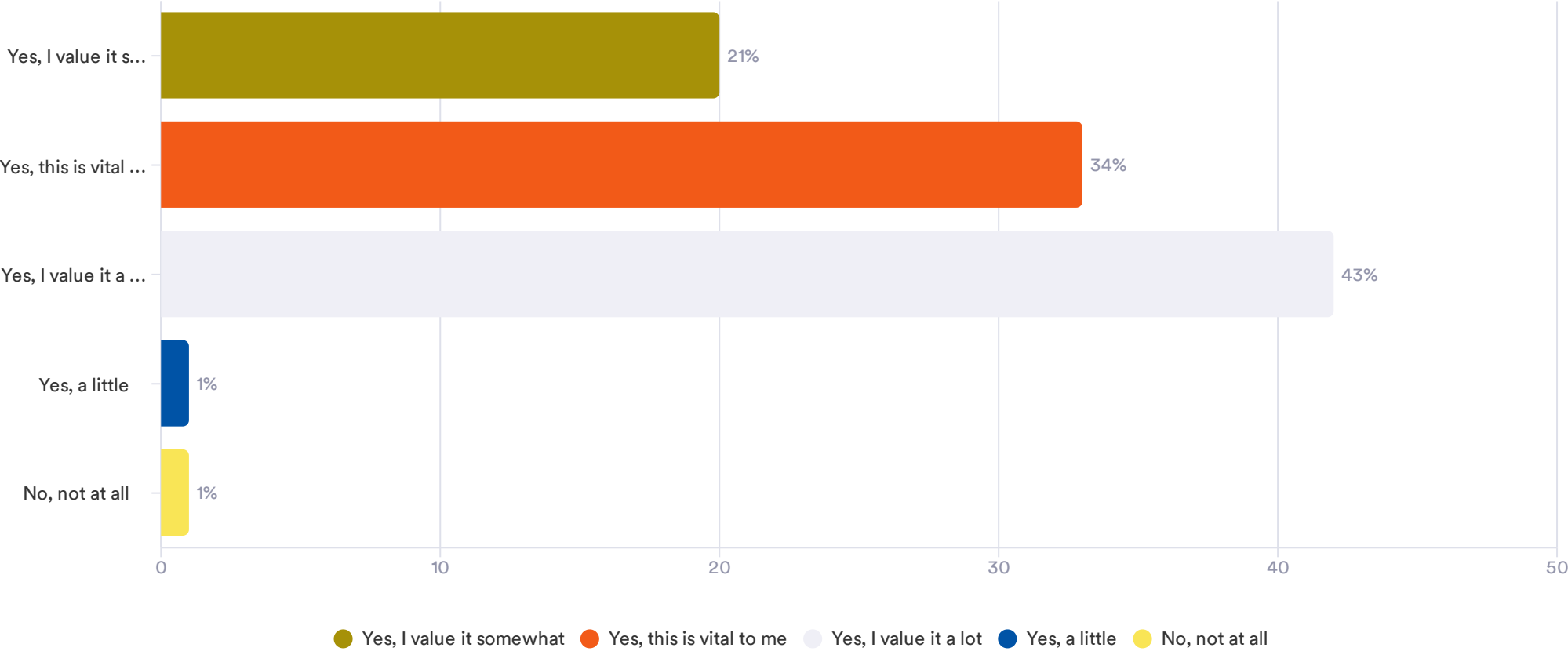
● Quite Often ● Never ● Occasionally ● Most of the time ● Always



What support do you need from The SMS Foundation?

Having an SMS community to share experiences with is important to me

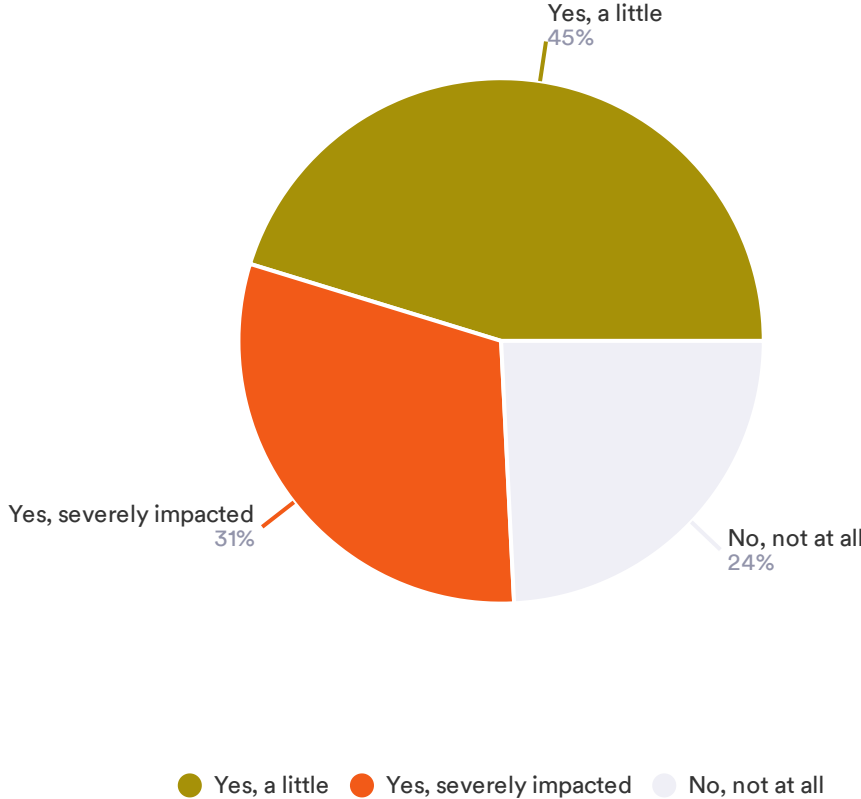
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What support do you need from The SMS Foundation?

Our financial well-being is negatively impacted as a result of living with SMS

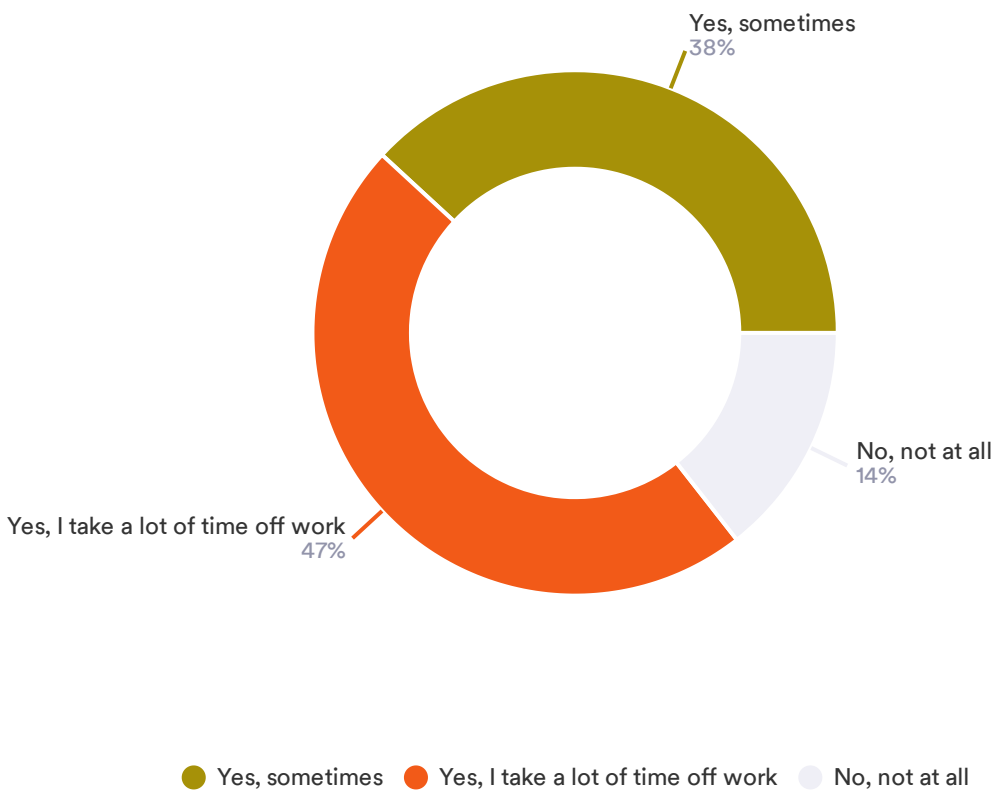
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What support do you need from The SMS Foundation?

I have to take time off work due to the additional care needs of my child/adult with SMS (more than I would otherwise)

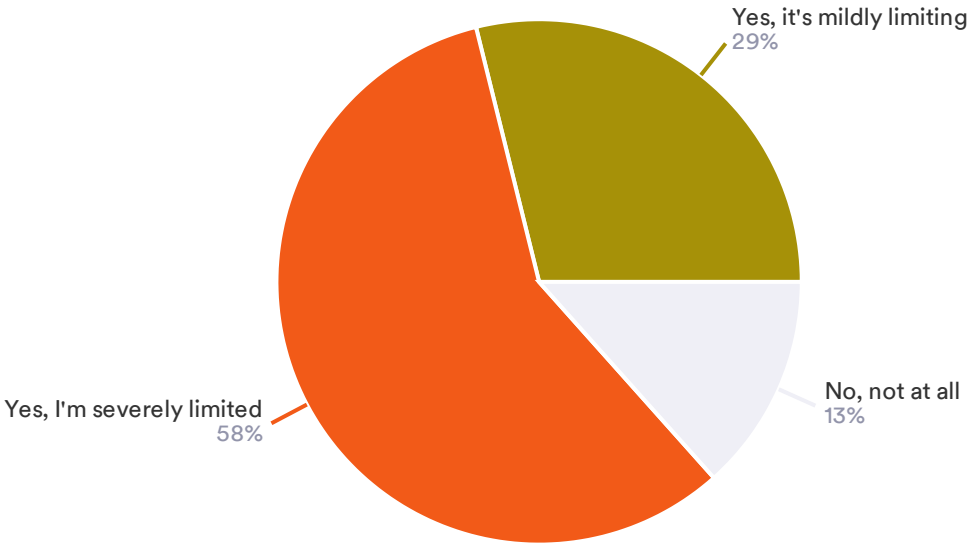
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What support do you need from The SMS Foundation?

My job and career options are limited due to the care needs of my child or adult with SMS

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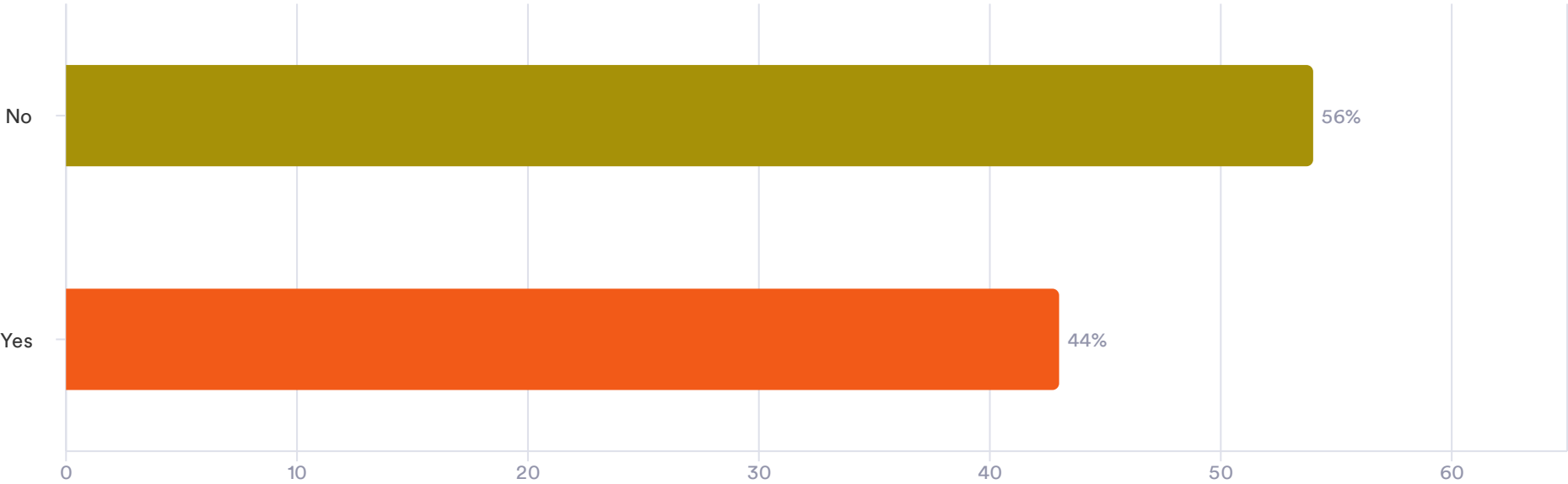


● Yes, it's mildly limiting ● Yes, I'm severely limited ● No, not at all

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I have had to give up my job and/or career to care for my person with SMS

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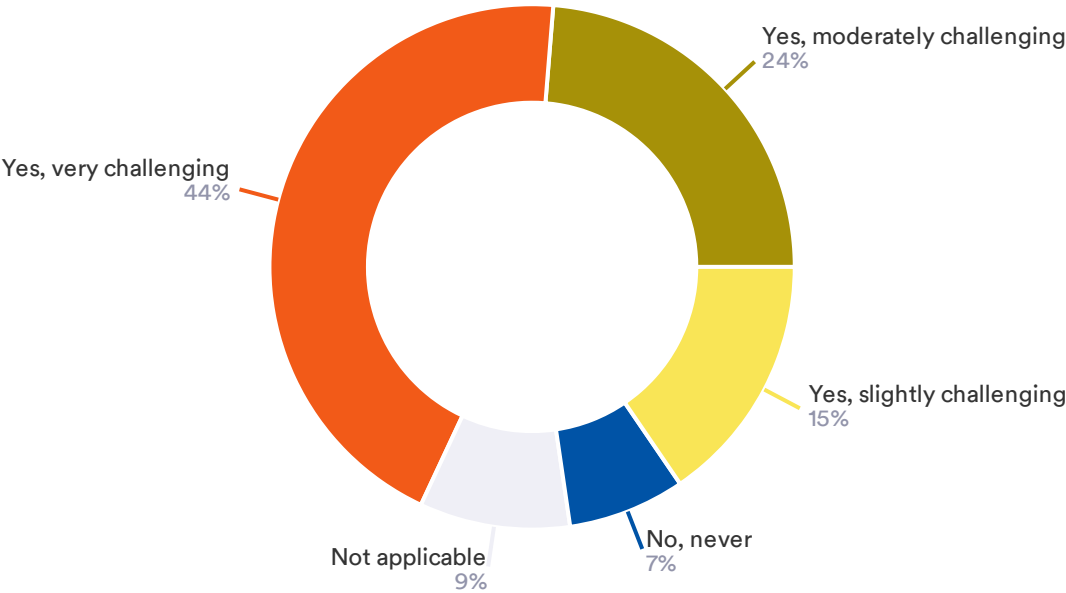


Data	Response	%
No	54	56%
Yes	43	44%

What support do you need from The SMS Foundation?

Accessing school and a quality education for our child with SMS is (or was when they were at school) challenging

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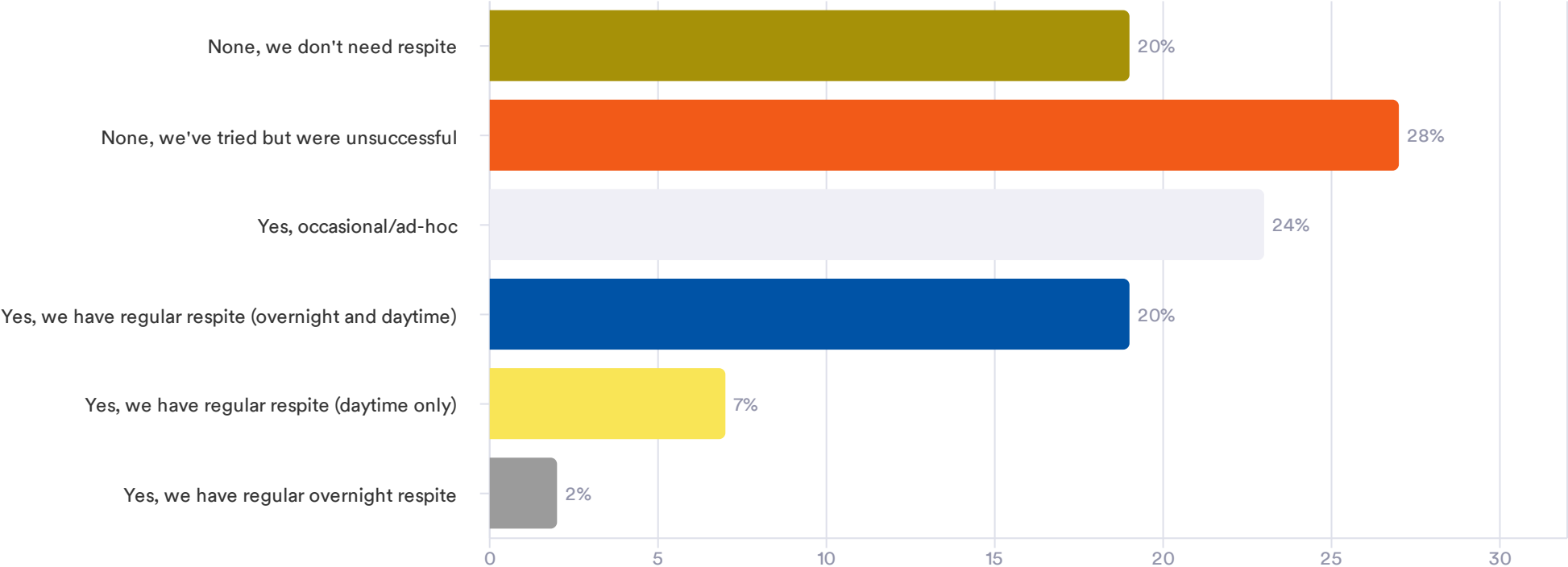


● Yes, moderately challenging ● Yes, very challenging ● Not applicable ● No, never ● Yes, slightly challenging

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Do you get respite support to enable you to recharge, if so what type?

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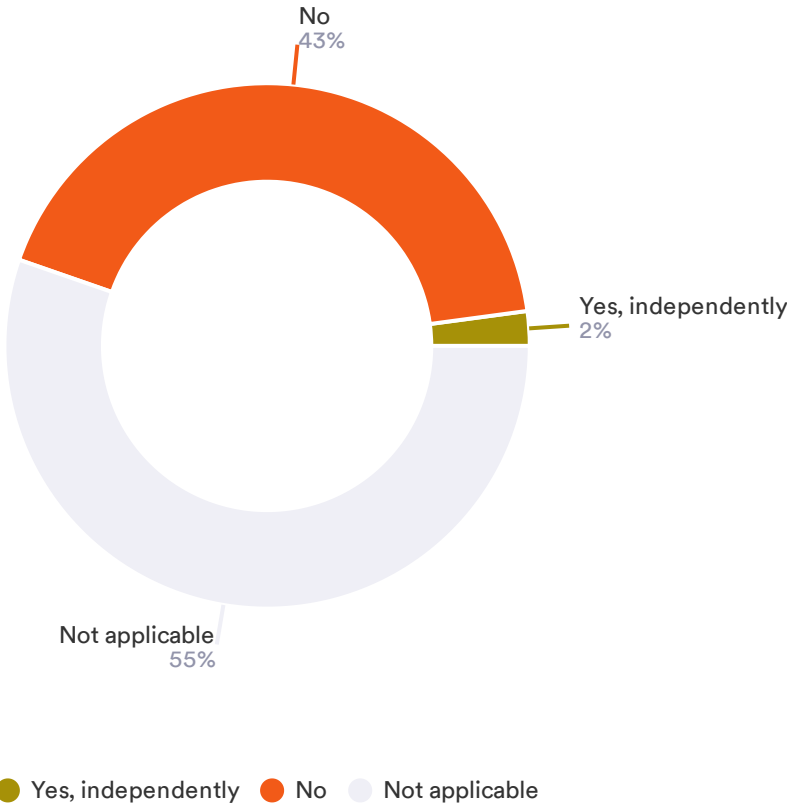


- None, we don't need respite
- None, we've tried but were unsuccessful
- Yes, occasional/ad-hoc
- Yes, we have regular respite (overnight and daytime)
- Yes, we have regular respite (daytime only)
- Yes, we have regular overnight respite

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My SMS adult is employed

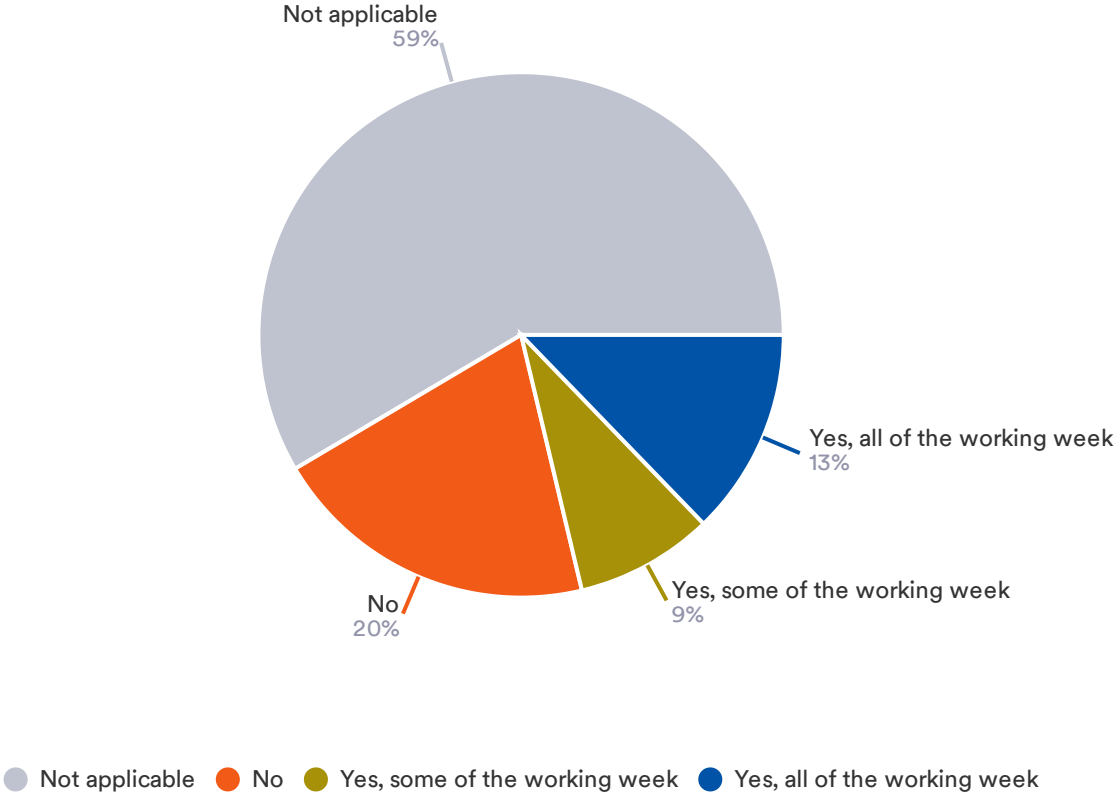
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My SMS adult has a support worker during the day, or attends a daytime service provision

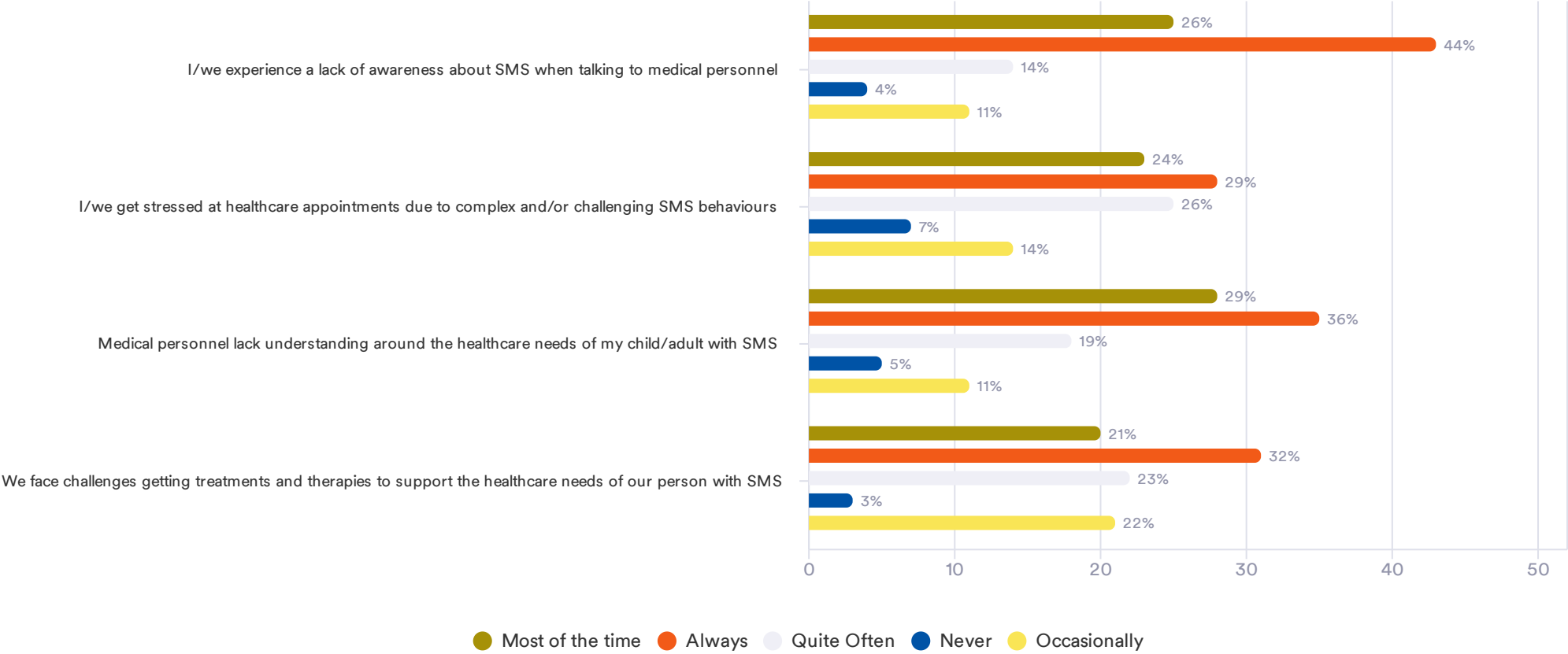
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Please rate the following statements about your healthcare challenges (please rotate on mobiles and small screens to view all options)

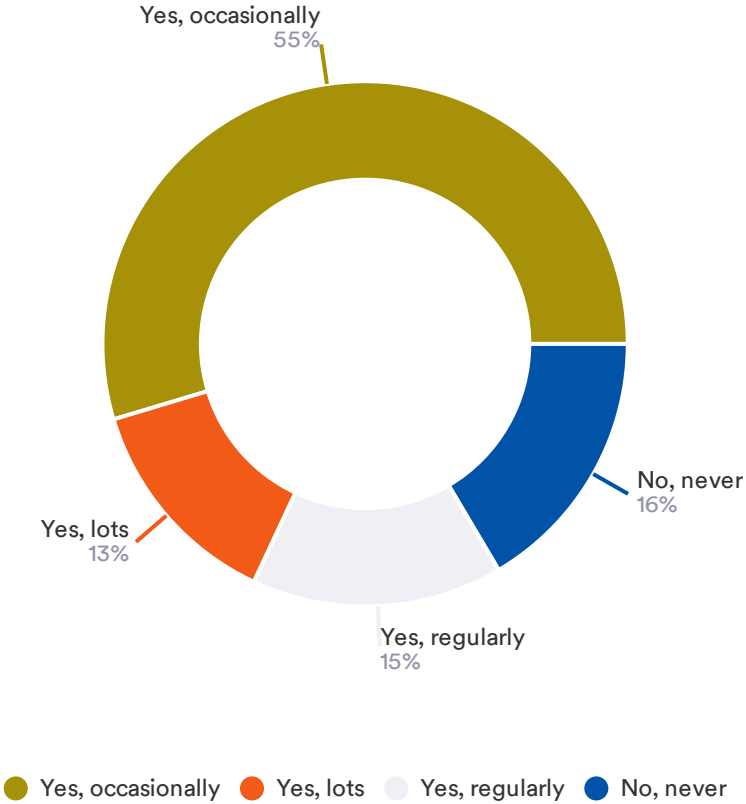
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What support do you need from The SMS Foundation?

Do you need emotional support from The SMS Foundation (via our helpline, social media groups and pages, email, messenger apps etc)

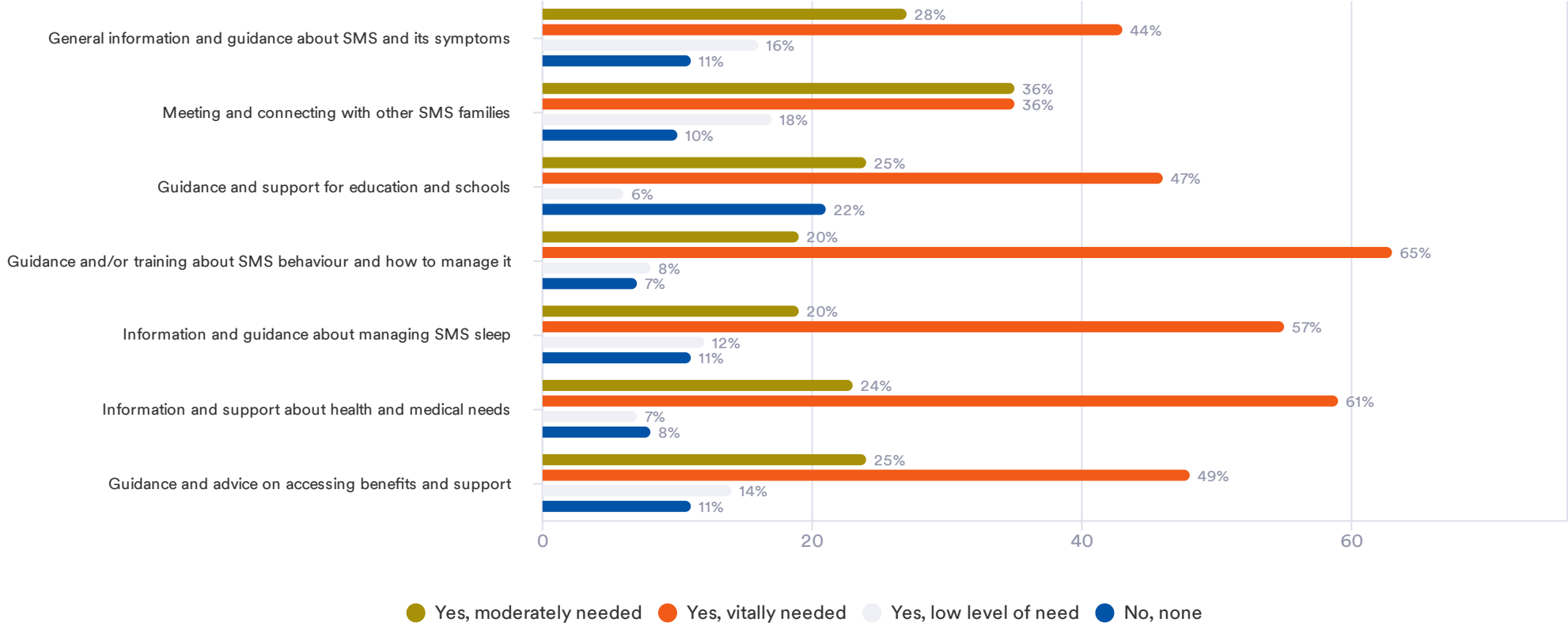
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What support do you need from The SMS Foundation?

What other types of support and information do you need from The SMS Foundation? (please rotate on mobiles and small screens to view all options)

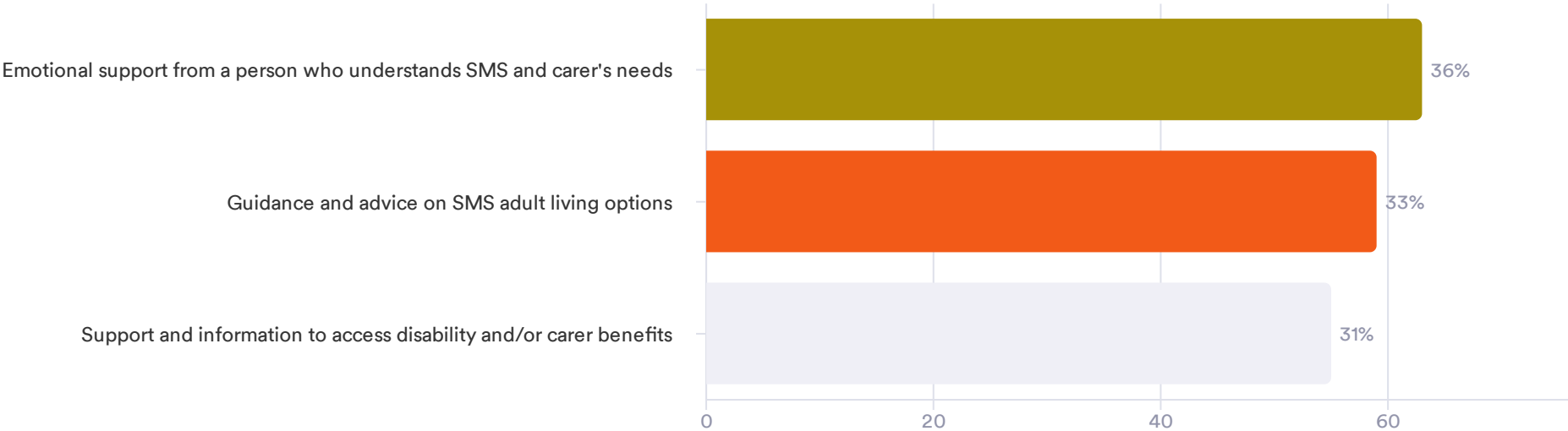
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What support do you need from The SMS Foundation?

I would value support and information on the following topics (please tick all/any that apply):

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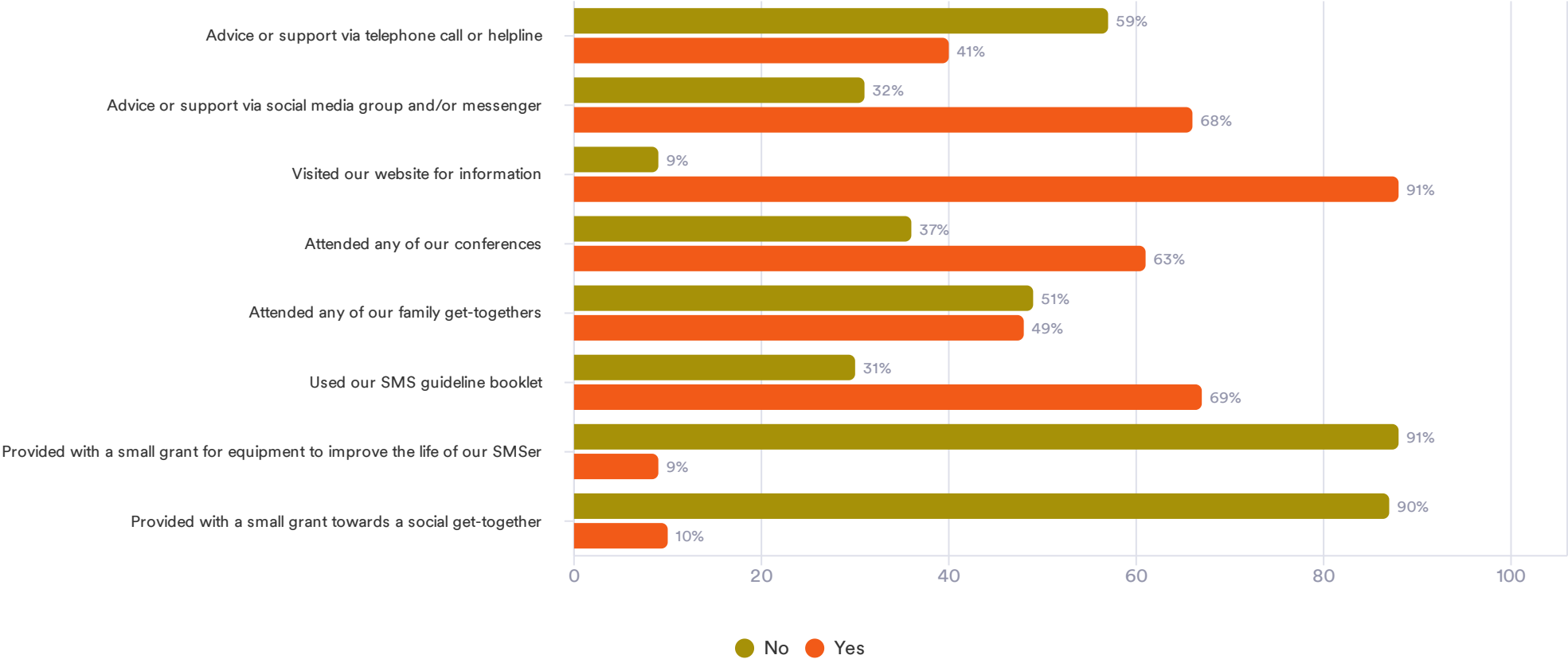


Data	Response	%
Emotional support from a person who understands SMS and carer's nee...	63	36%
Guidance and advice on SMS adult living options	59	33%
Support and information to access disability and/or carer benefits	55	31%

What support do you need from The SMS Foundation?

Which SMS Foundation support have you used in the past?

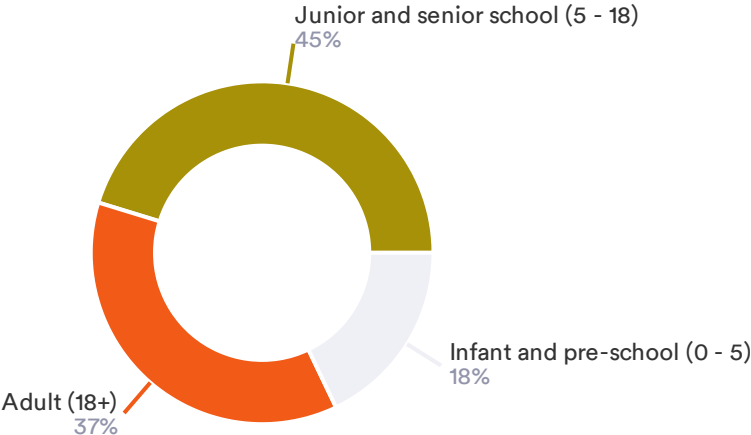
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What support do you need from The SMS Foundation?

What is the age range of your child or adult with SMS?

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Data	Response	%
Junior and senior school (5 - 18)	43	45%
Adult (18+)	35	37%
Infant and pre-school (0 - 5)	17	18%

Thank You!

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