



PICKERING AGE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY PLAN – PUBLIC SURVEY RESULTS

Duration: November 1, 2018 – November 30, 2018

Format: Online and Hard Copy

Content: 51 questions relating to age-friendly dimensions and demographics

Total Responses: 635

Complete Responses: 478

Completion Rate: 75%

Objectives:

- Identify aspects of Pickering that are already age-friendly
- Determine existing barriers to age-friendliness
- Collect suggestions to address barriers to age-friendliness

Survey Response Statistics:

- Population (2016 Census): 27,035 residents 55+ years of age
- Sample Size (Complete Responses): 478
- Confidence Level: 95%
- Margin of Error: 4.44%



Background:

The City of Pickering is implementing an innovative, flexible and proactive approach to planning for the dynamic needs of the growing local population of older adults (55+ years of age) and their caregivers. The City is committed to becoming an age-friendly community that is supportive and inviting for citizens of all ages, abilities and backgrounds. The purpose of this Age-Friendly Community Plan is to identify and incorporate age-friendly community policies, practices, features, programs and initiatives required to meet the existing and future needs of older adults in Pickering.

Similar to many other communities across Ontario, the proportion of older adults in Pickering and elsewhere in Durham Region has been increasing significantly over the past decade and is expected to continue at a rapid pace, creating increased demand for older adults' programs and services.

Pickering's Age-Friendly Community Plan is being undertaken to ensure that older adults in Pickering are appropriately recognized and have access to the programs and services they require to stay active, healthy and engaged in the local community.

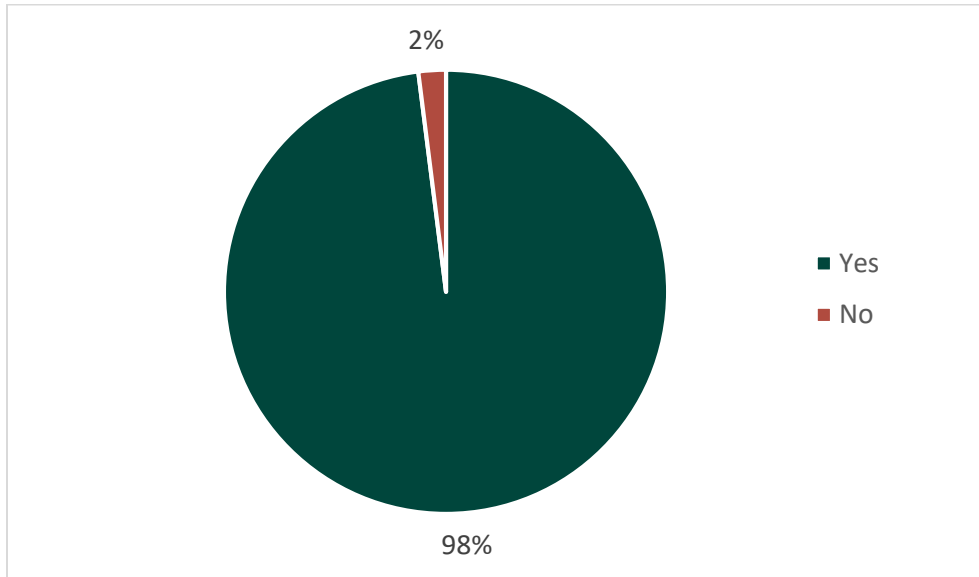
Pickering's Age-Friendly Community Plan is intended to align with the eight dimensions of an age-friendly community, as defined by the World Health Organization. These eight age-friendly dimensions include:

- 1) Transportation
- 2) Housing
- 3) Social Participation
- 4) Respect & Social Inclusion
- 5) Civic Participation & Employment
- 6) Communication & Information
- 7) Community Support & Health Services
- 8) Outdoor Spaces & Buildings

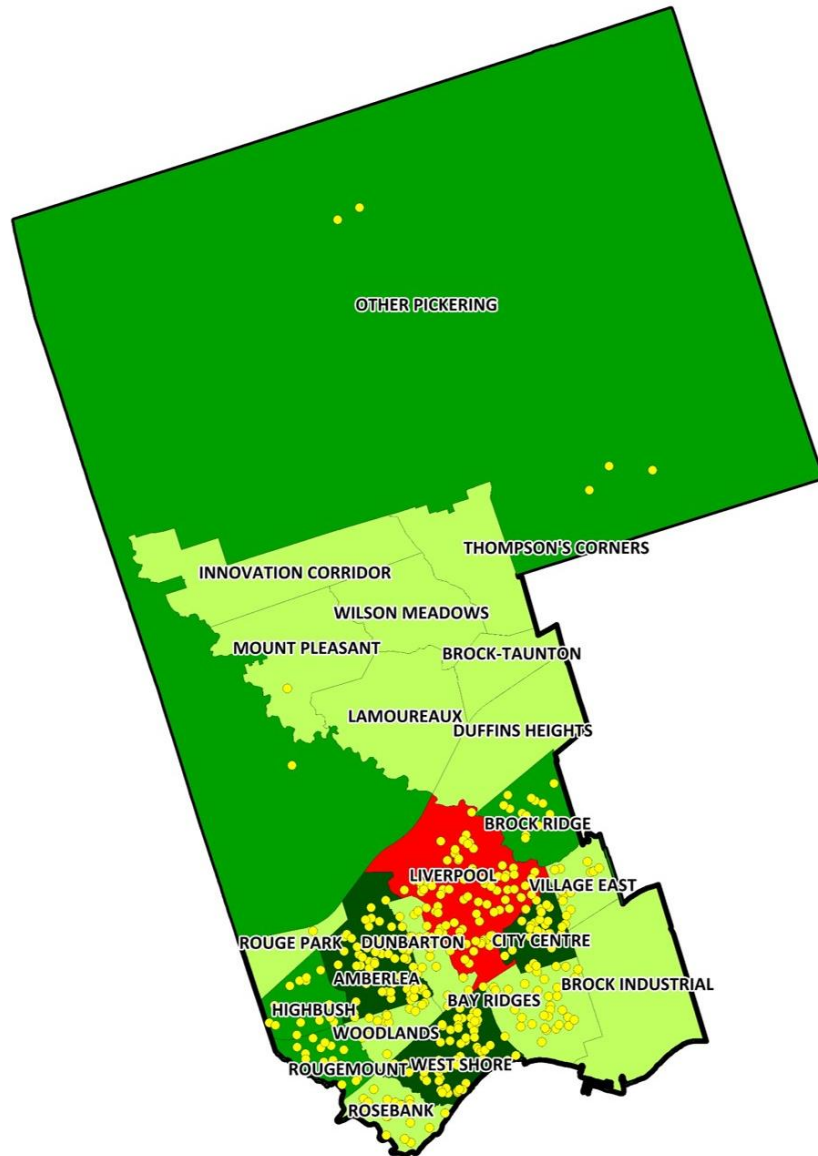
The questions included in the following survey are intended to address each of these eight age-friendly dimensions.



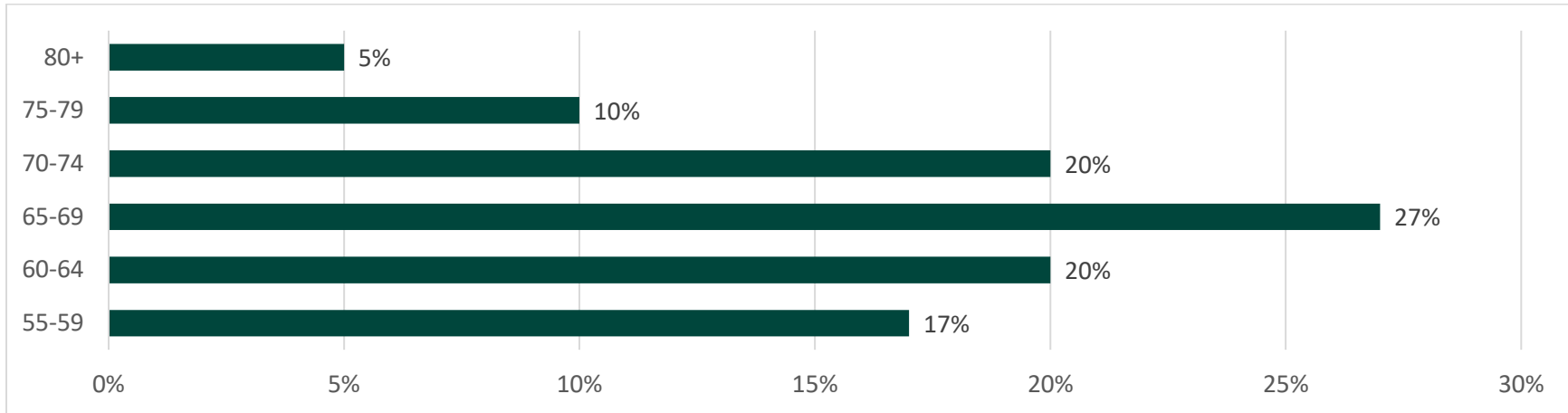
Q1 - Are you a resident of Pickering?



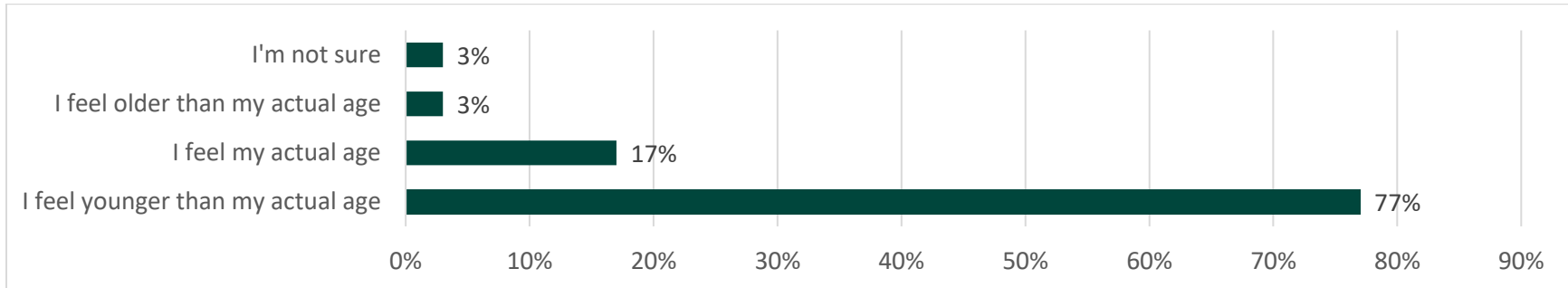
Q2 - What is your 6-digit postal code?



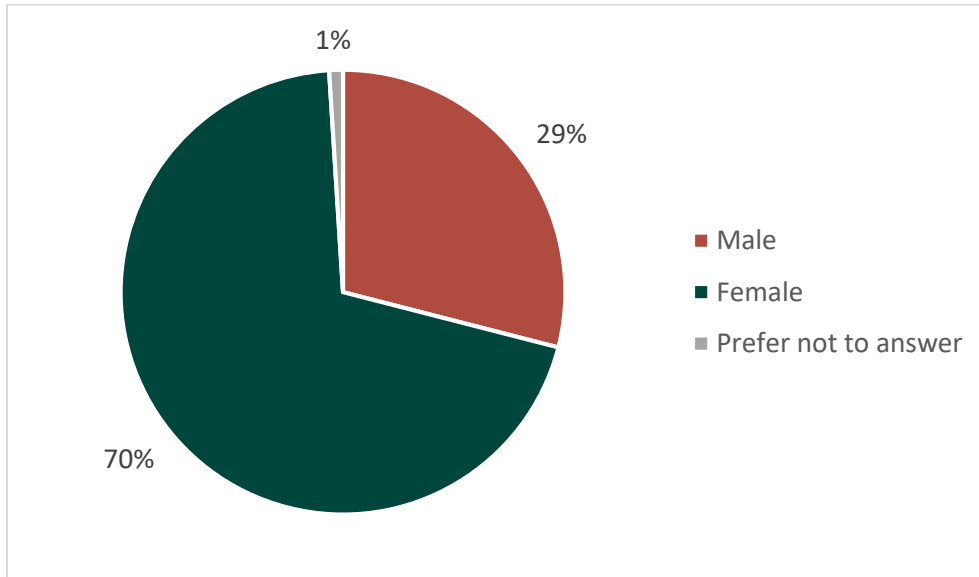
Q3 - What is your age?



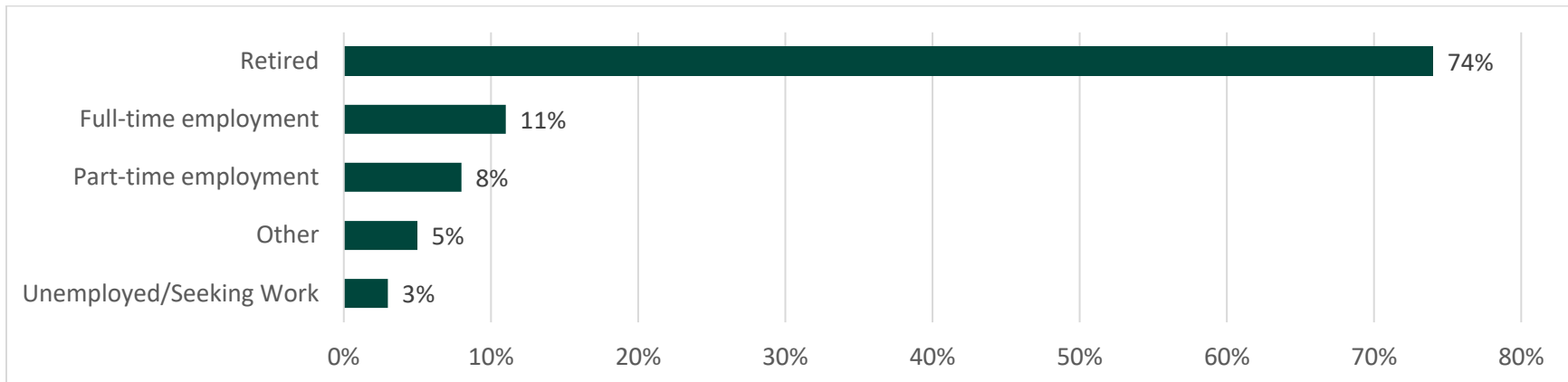
Q4 - Do you "feel your age"?



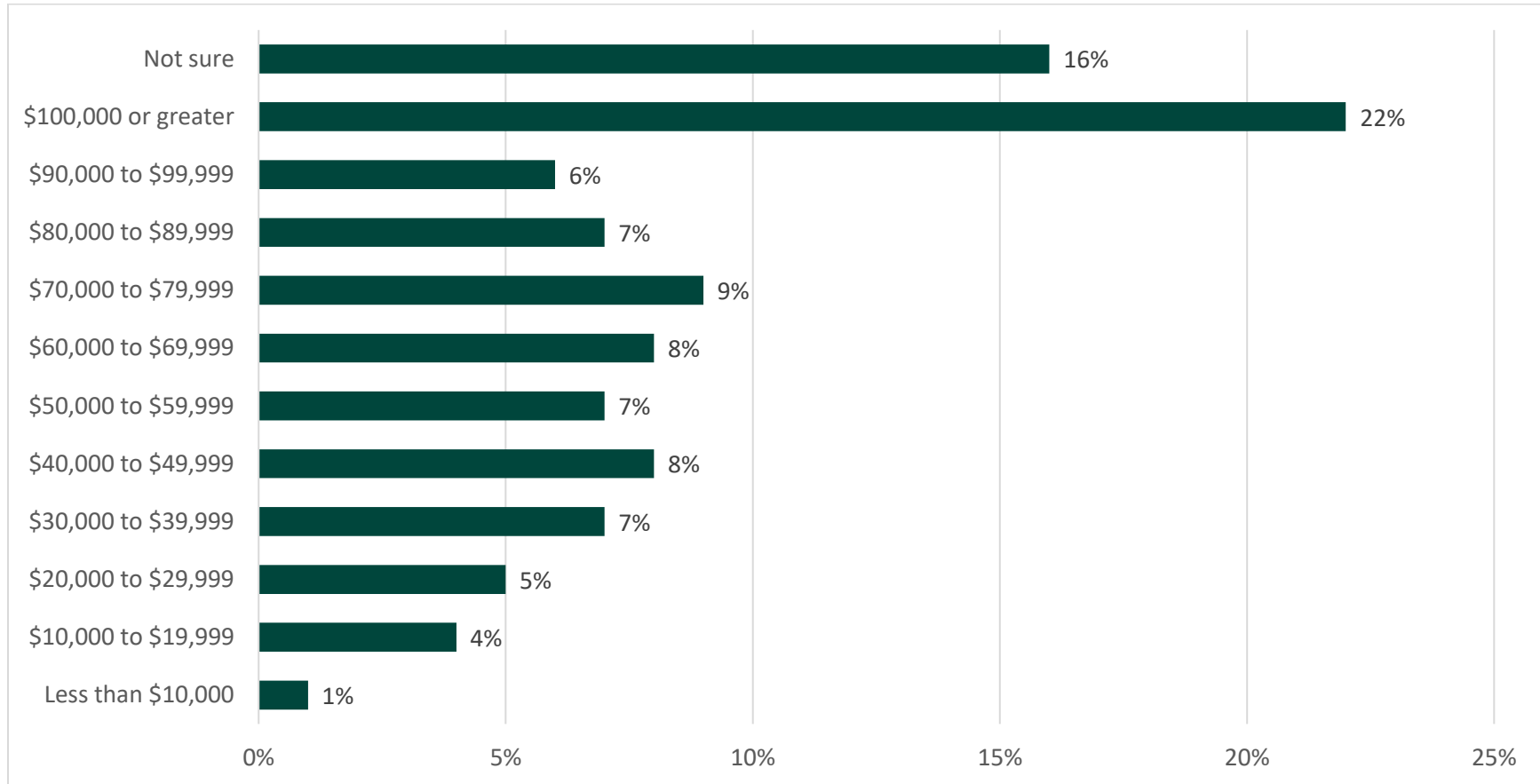
Q5 - How do you identify yourself?



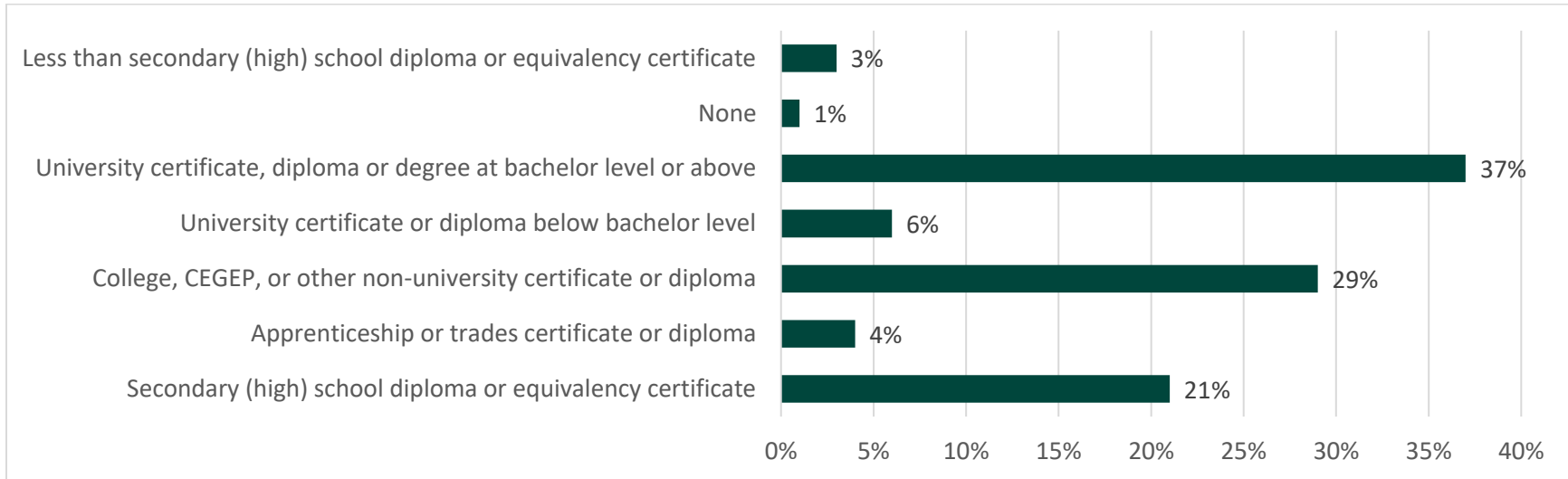
Q6 - What is your current employment status?



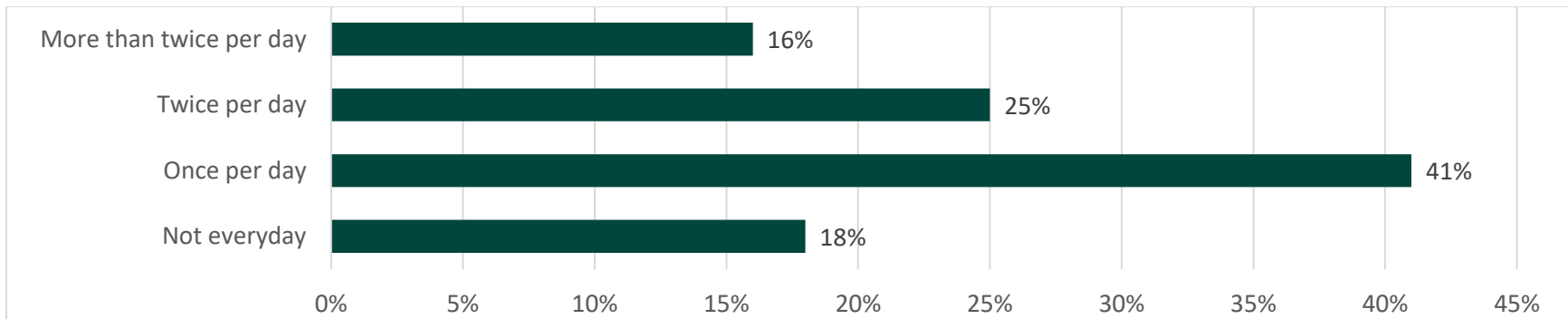
Q7 - What is your annual household income?



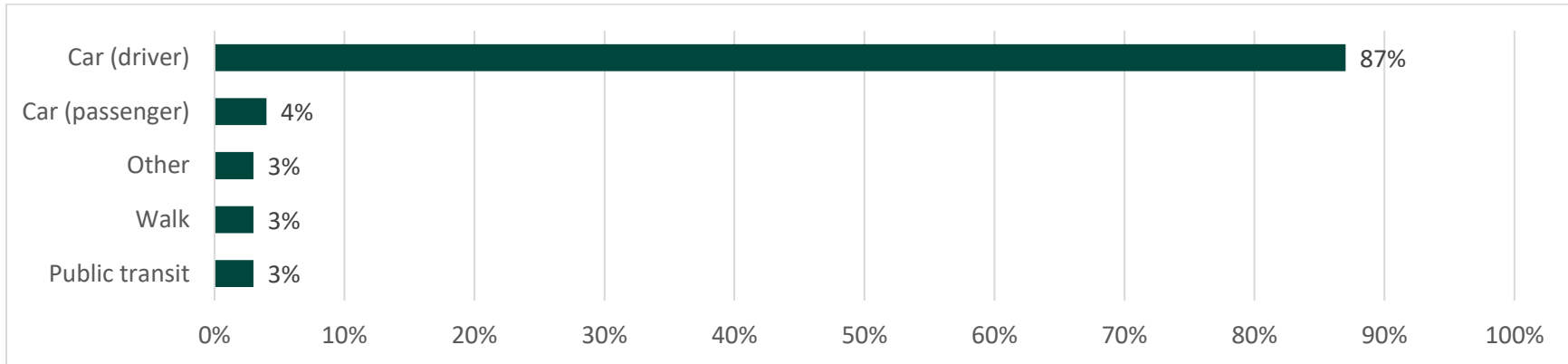
Q8 - What is the highest level of education that you have attained?



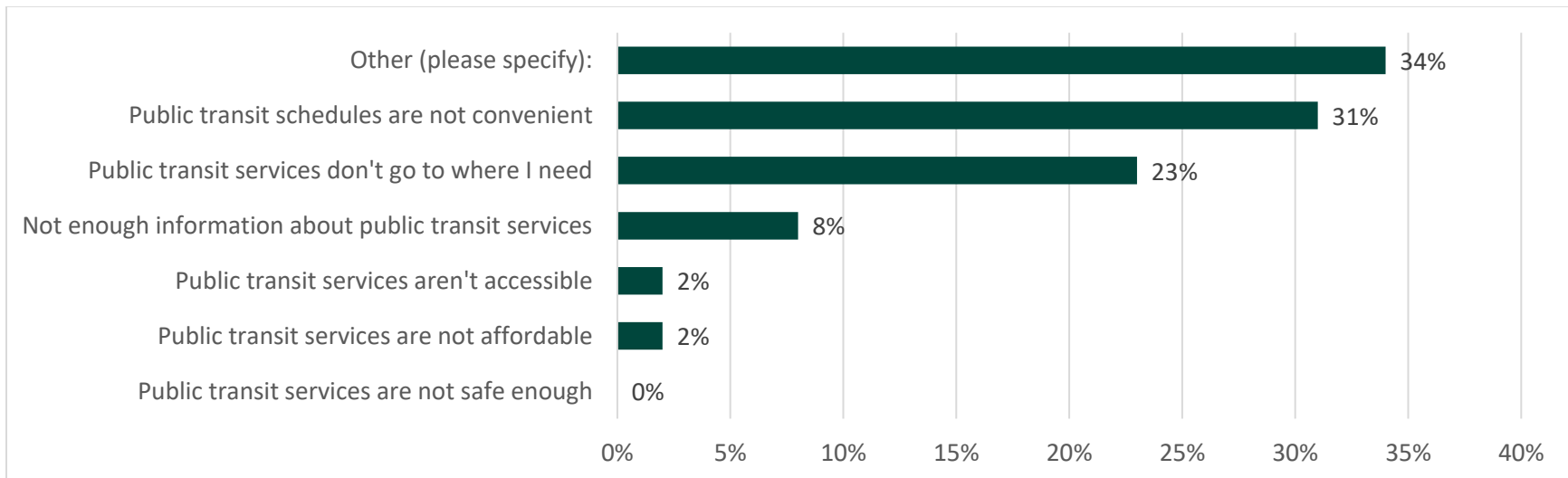
Q9 - How many times per day do you typically leave your home to travel somewhere else?



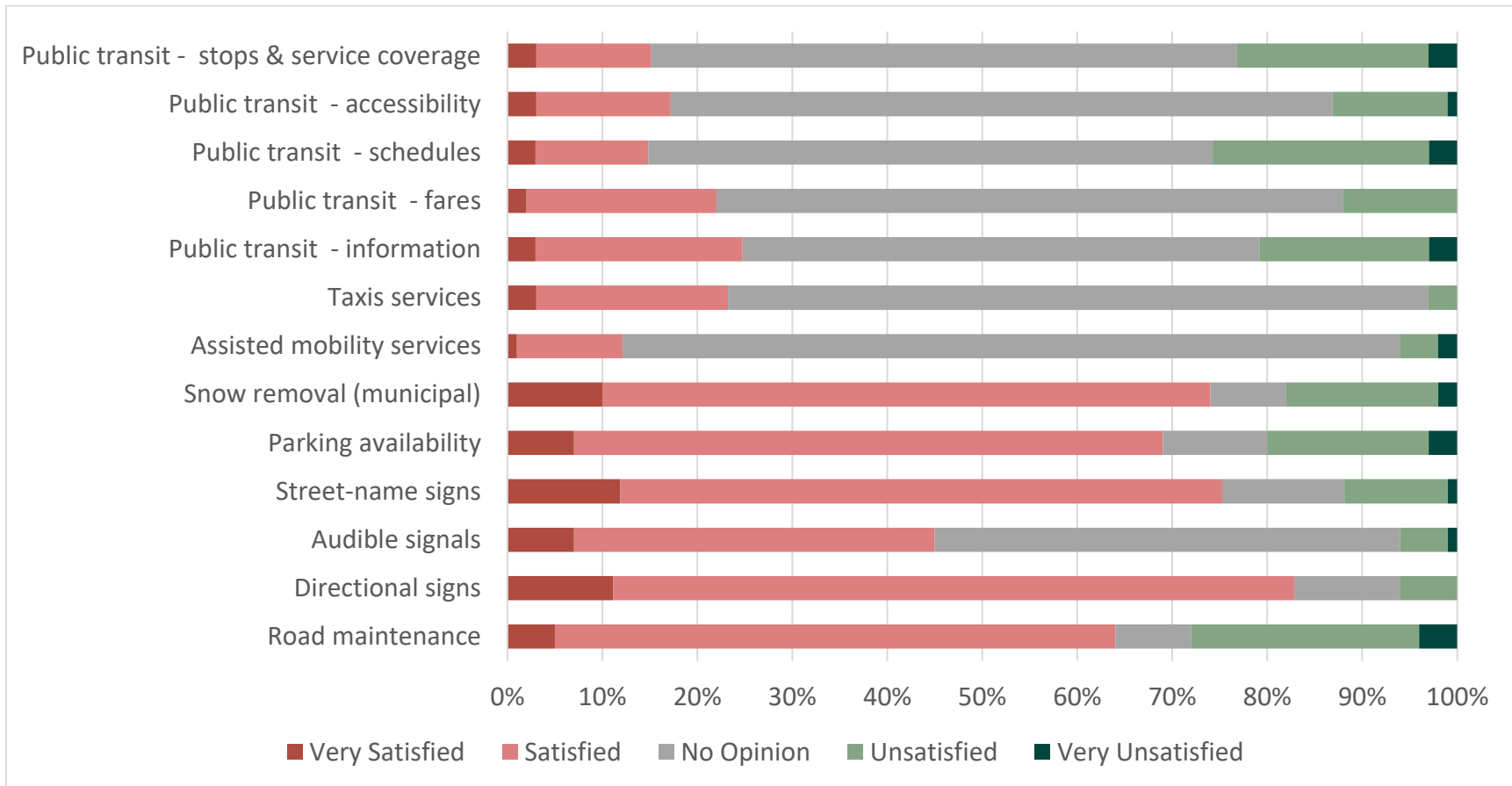
Q10 - What is your primary mode of transportation within Pickering?



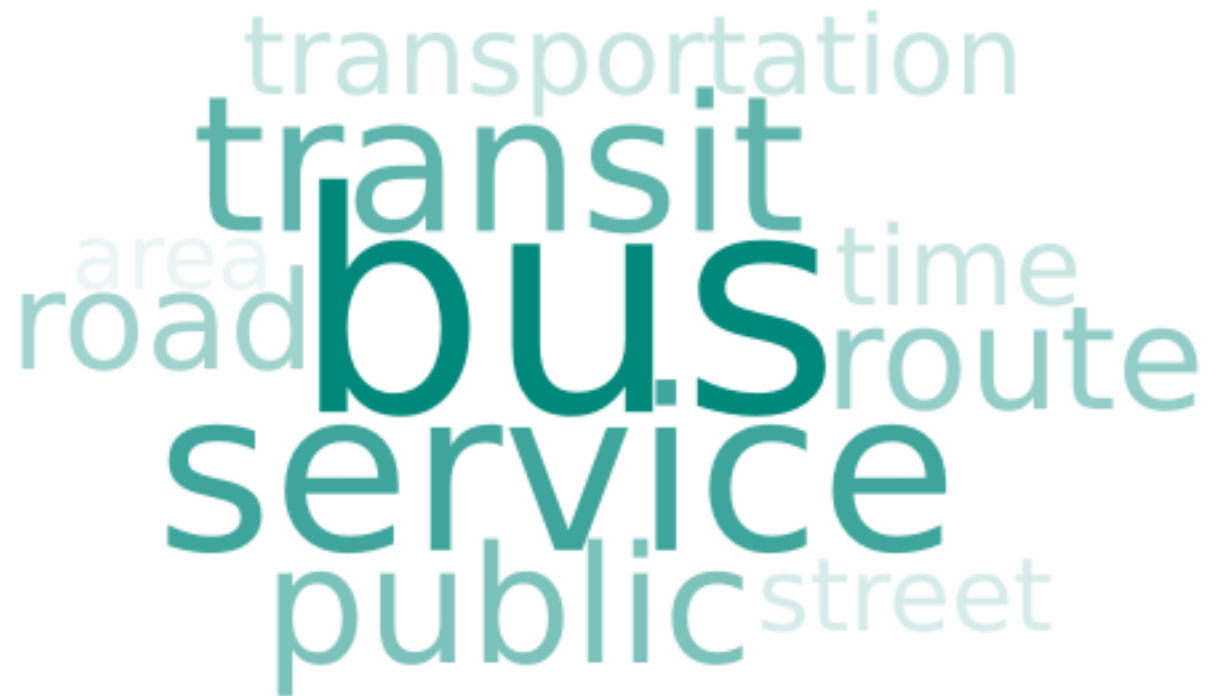
Q11 - What are the reasons that you don't use public transportation more frequently?



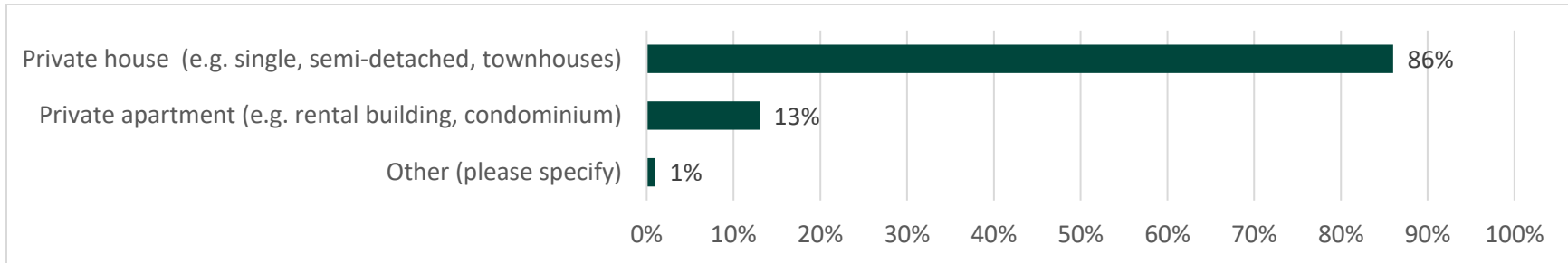
Q12 - Please rate your satisfaction with the following transportation & mobility considerations in Pickering:



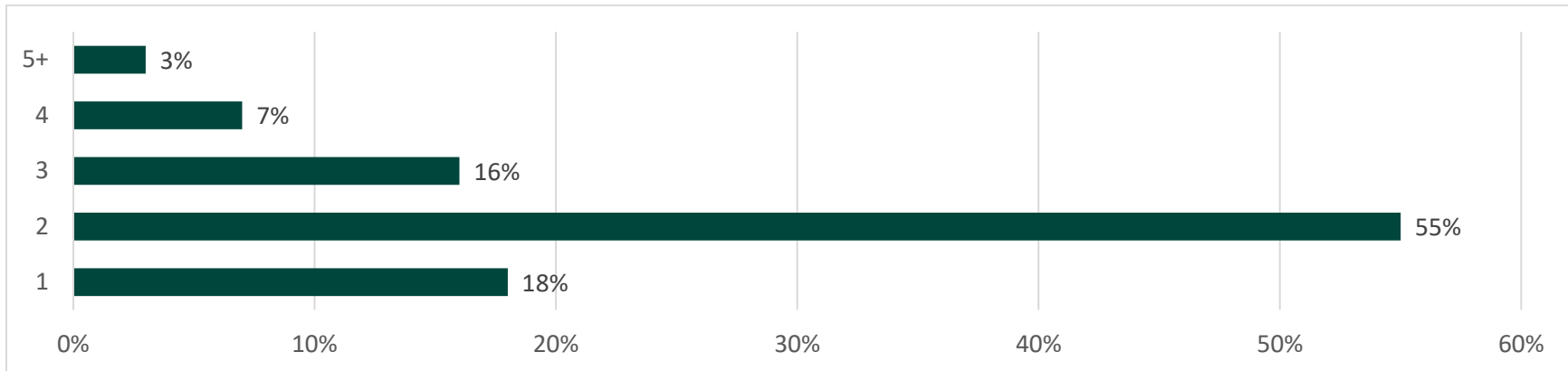
Q13 - Are there any specific transportation and mobility changes that you would suggest to enhance the quality of life for older adults living in Pickering?



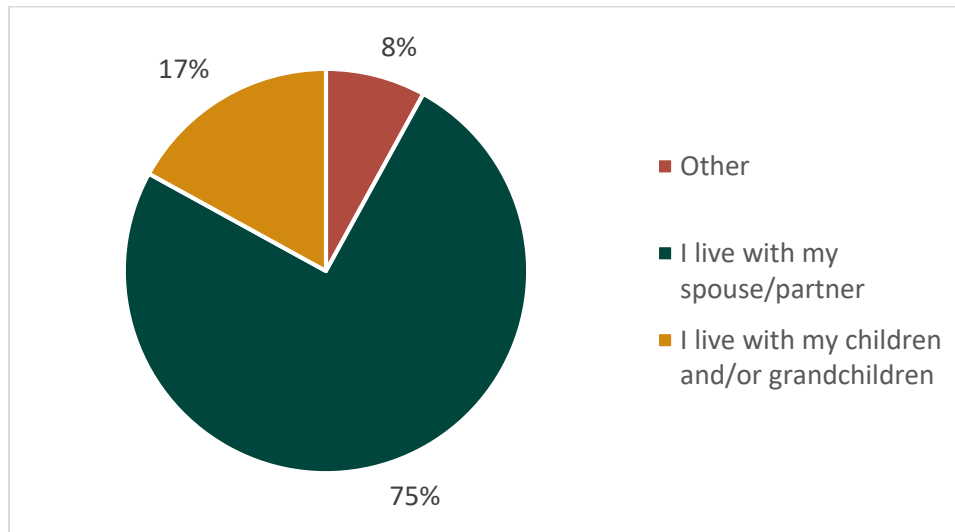
Q14 - What type of dwelling do you live in?



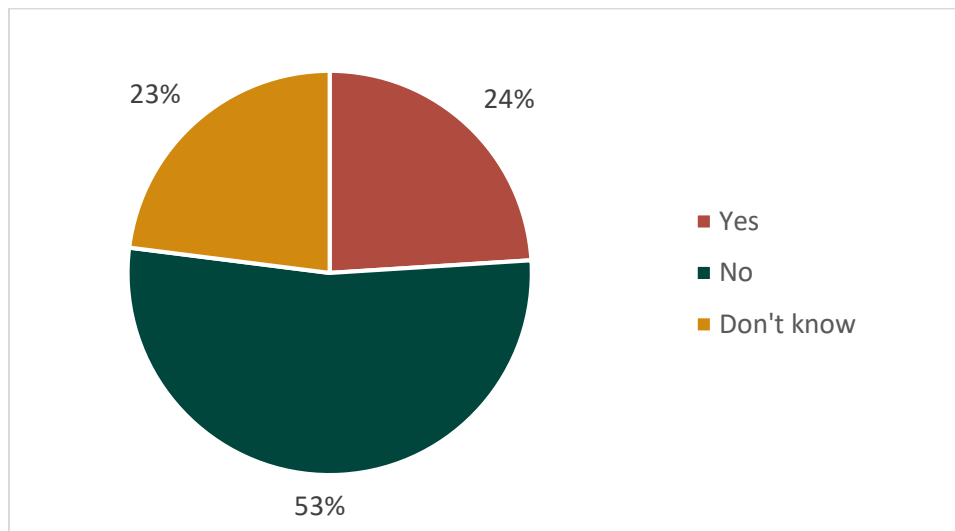
Q15 - Including yourself, how many people live in your household?



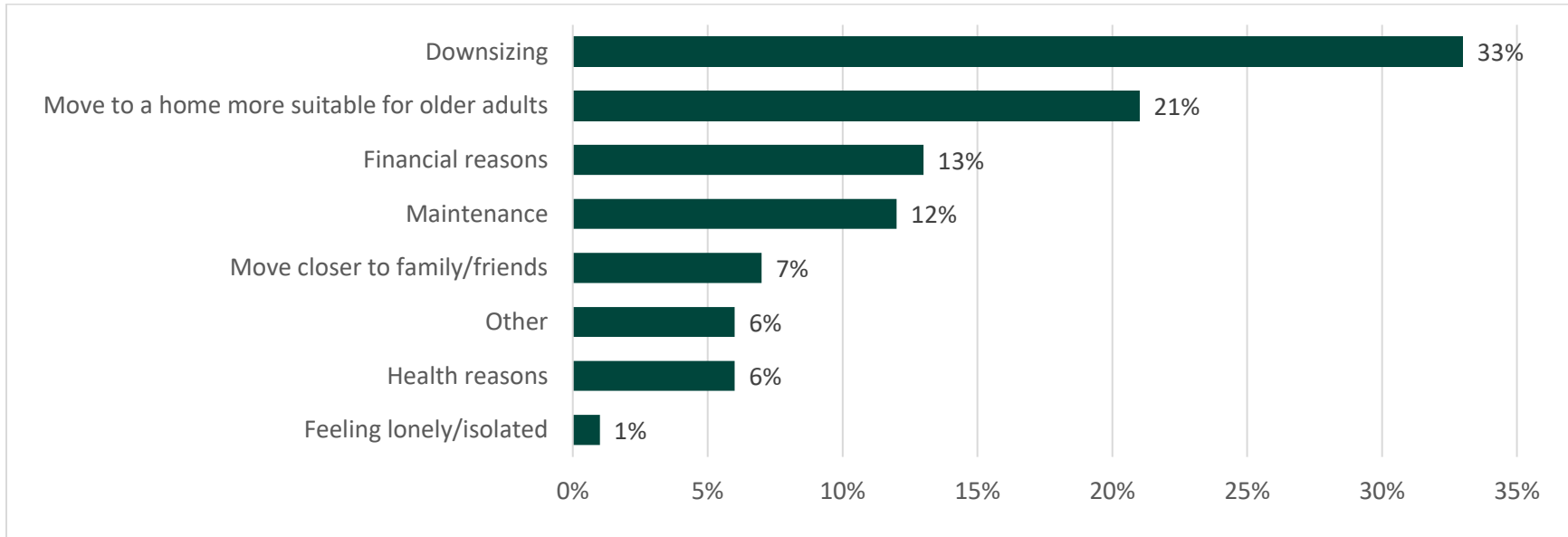
Q16 - Who do you currently live with?



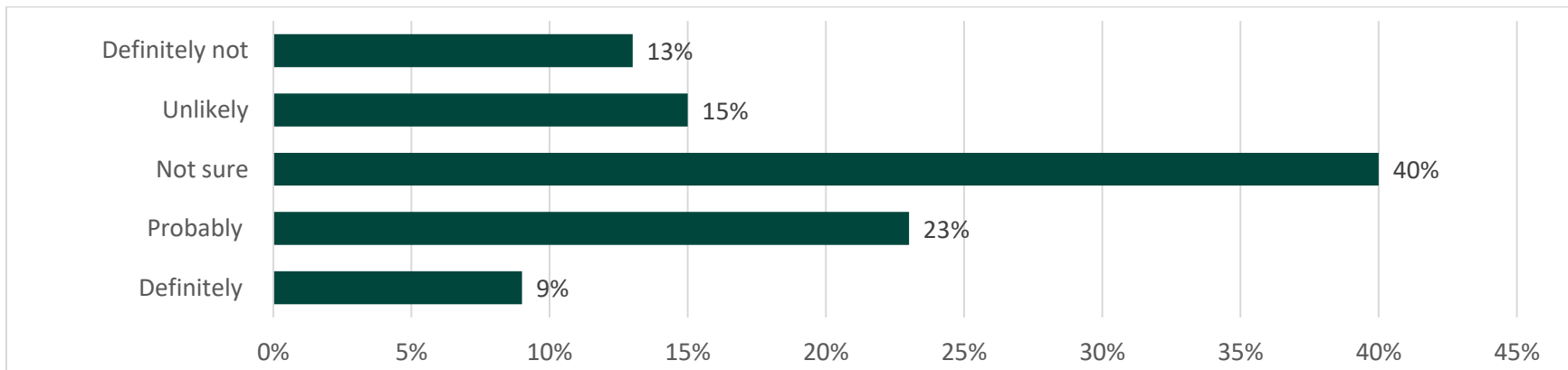
Q17 - Do you anticipate moving from your existing home within the next 3 – 5 years?



Q18 - Why do you anticipate moving within the next 3 - 5 years?



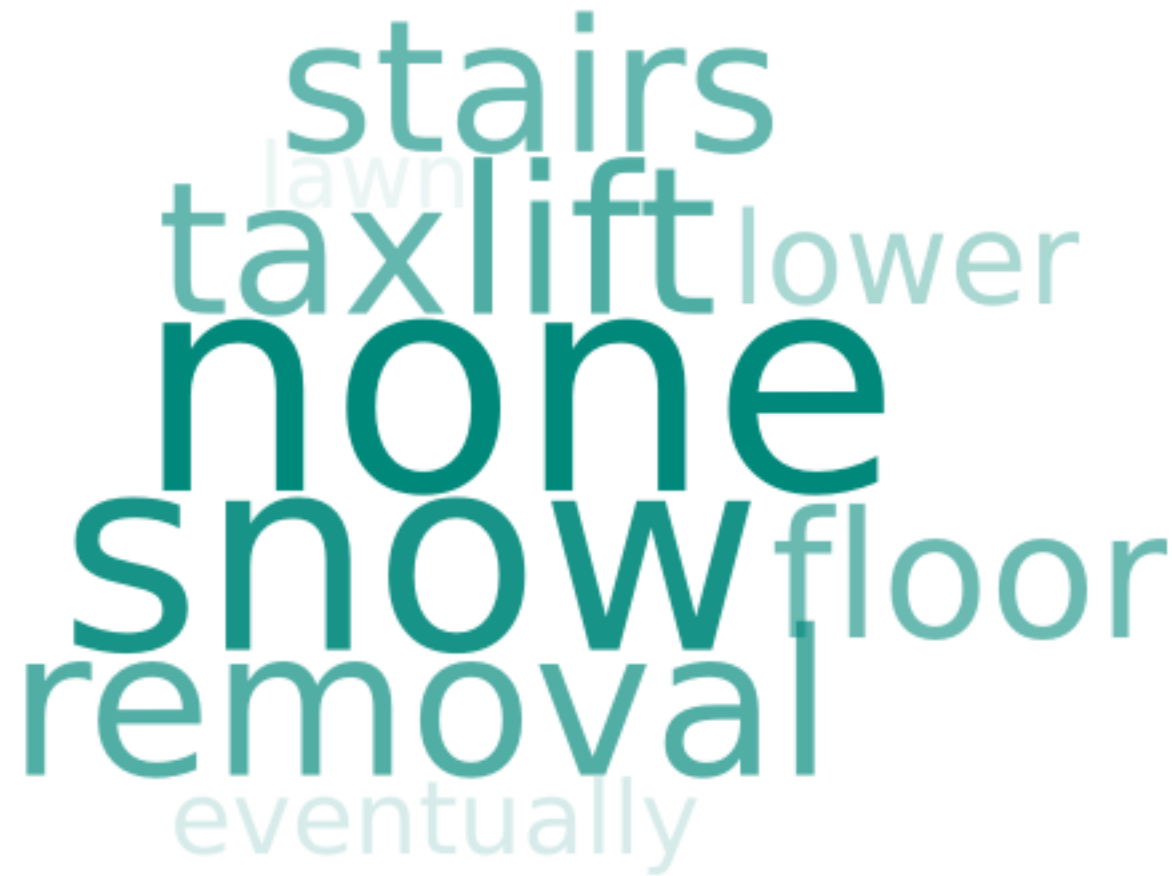
Q19 - Will your next home be in Pickering?



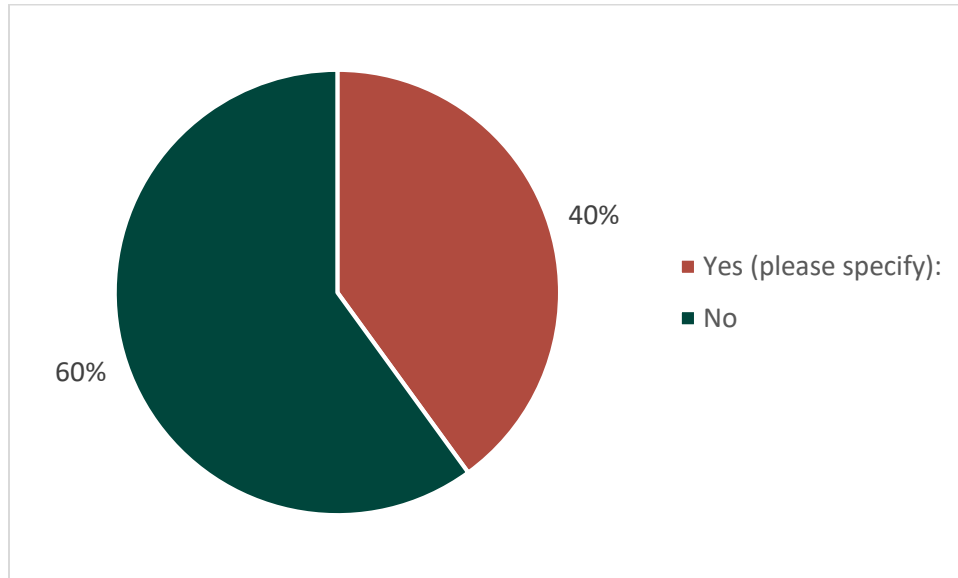
Q20 - Are there any specific housing suggestions that you would make to help improve the quality of life for older adults living in Pickering?



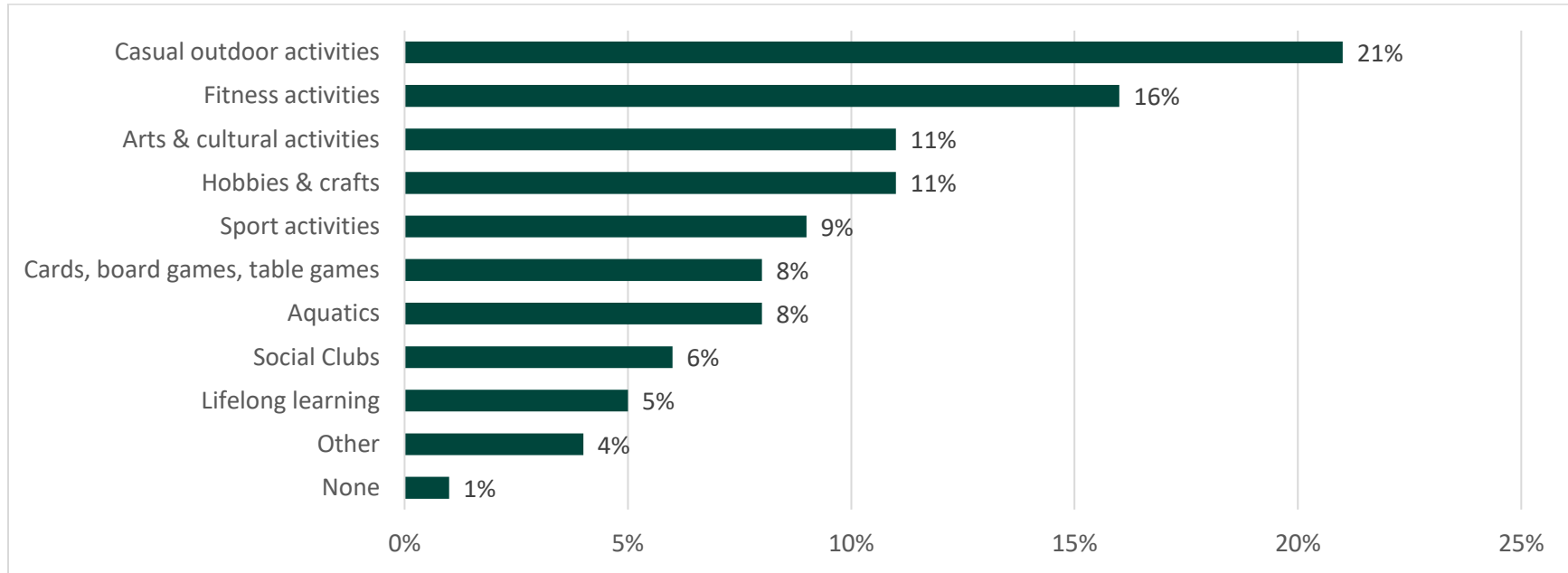
Q21 - If you could stay in your home, what changes would need to be made to accommodate your needs?



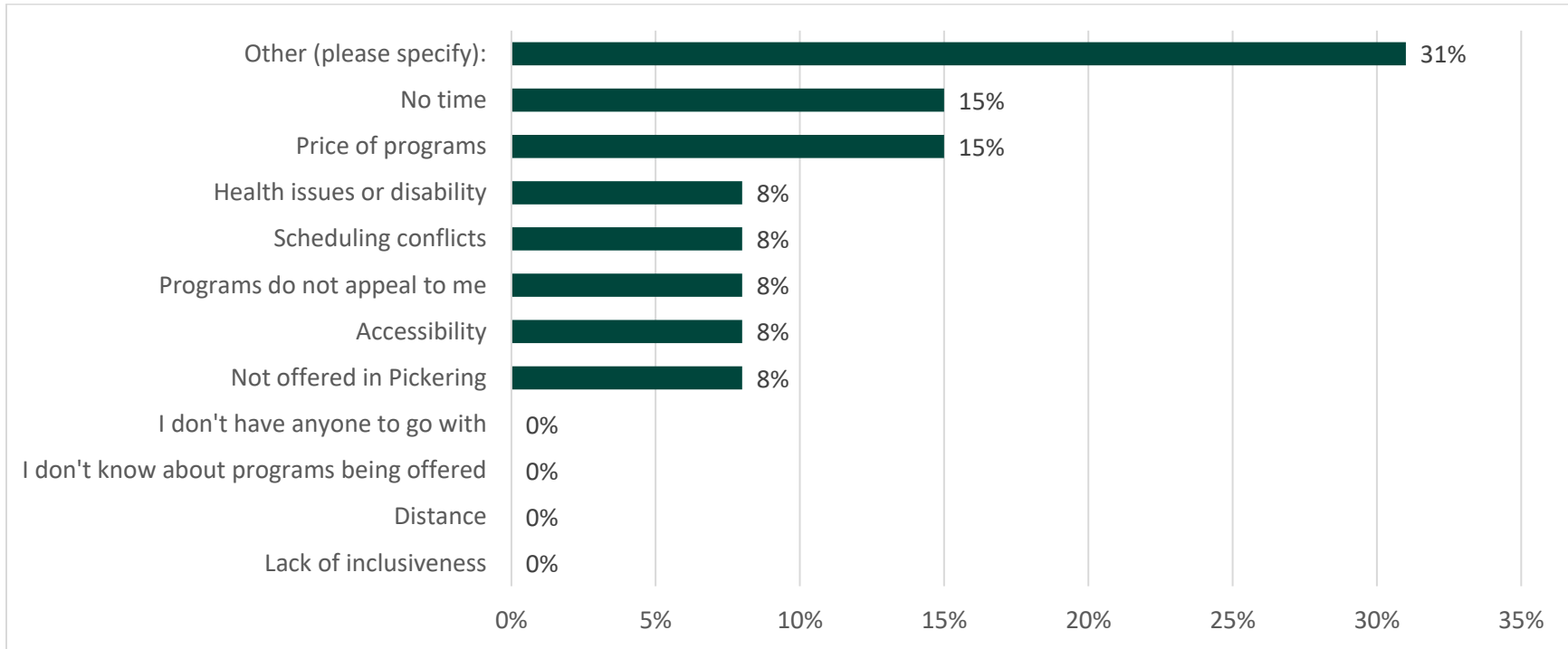
Q22 - Are you a member of a seniors club?



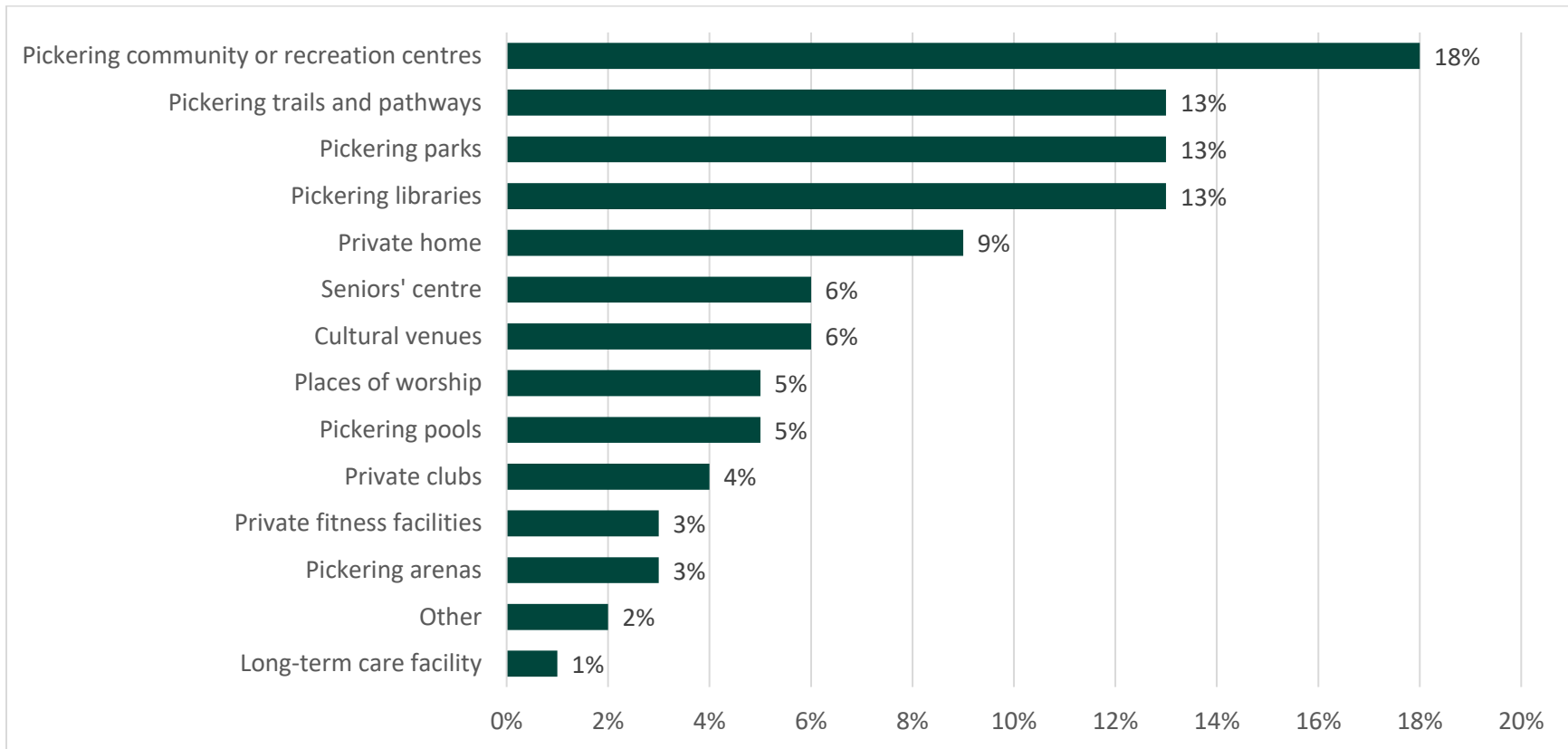
Q23 - During the past year, what types of activities have you participated in within Pickering?



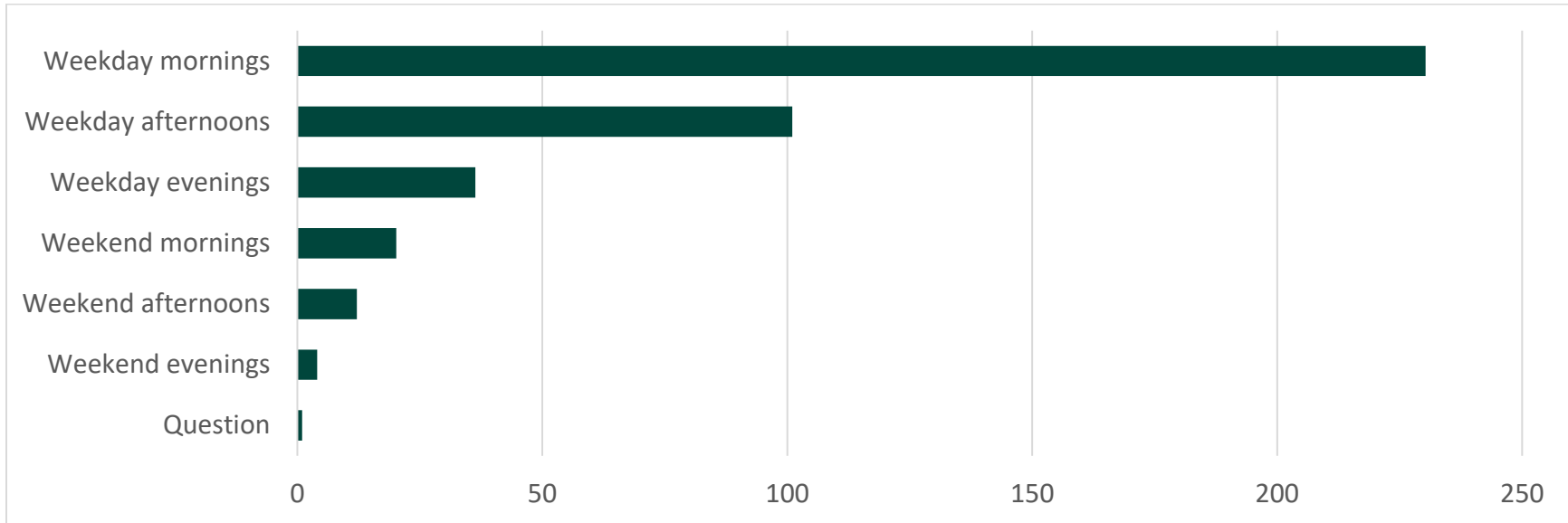
Q24 - Why have you not participated in social, leisure and/or recreational activities in Pickering during the past year?



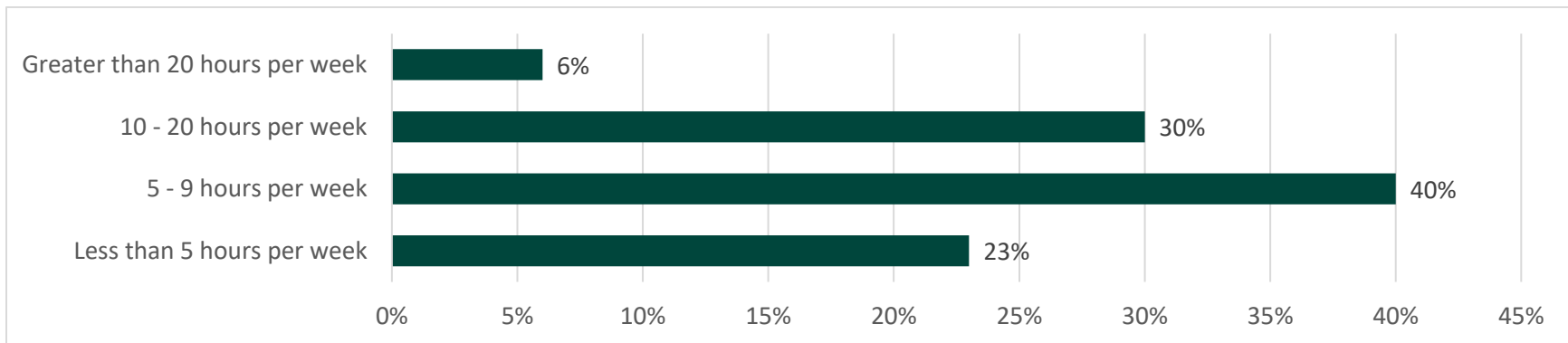
Q25 - Where have you participated in social, leisure and/or recreational activities in Pickering during the past year?



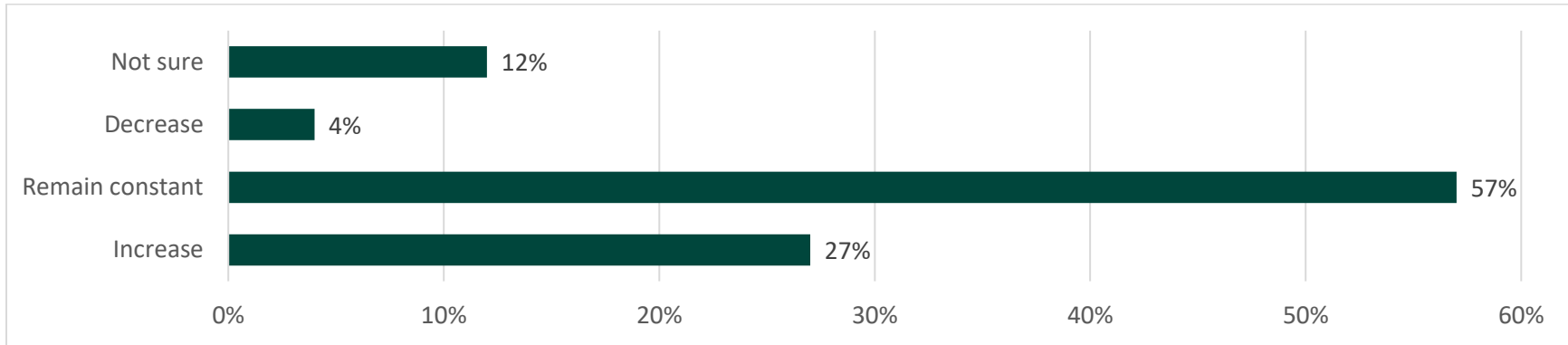
Q26 - What are the most convenient times for you to participate in social, leisure and recreational activities?



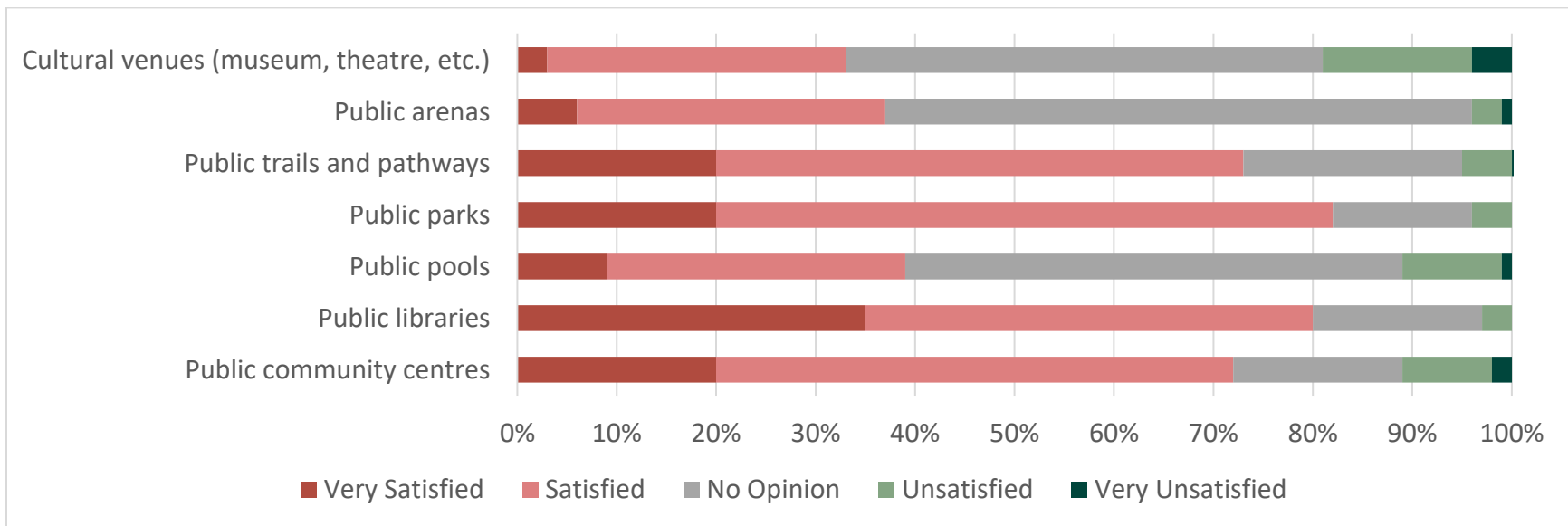
Q27 - How many hours per week do you typically spend participating in social, leisure and/or recreational activities?



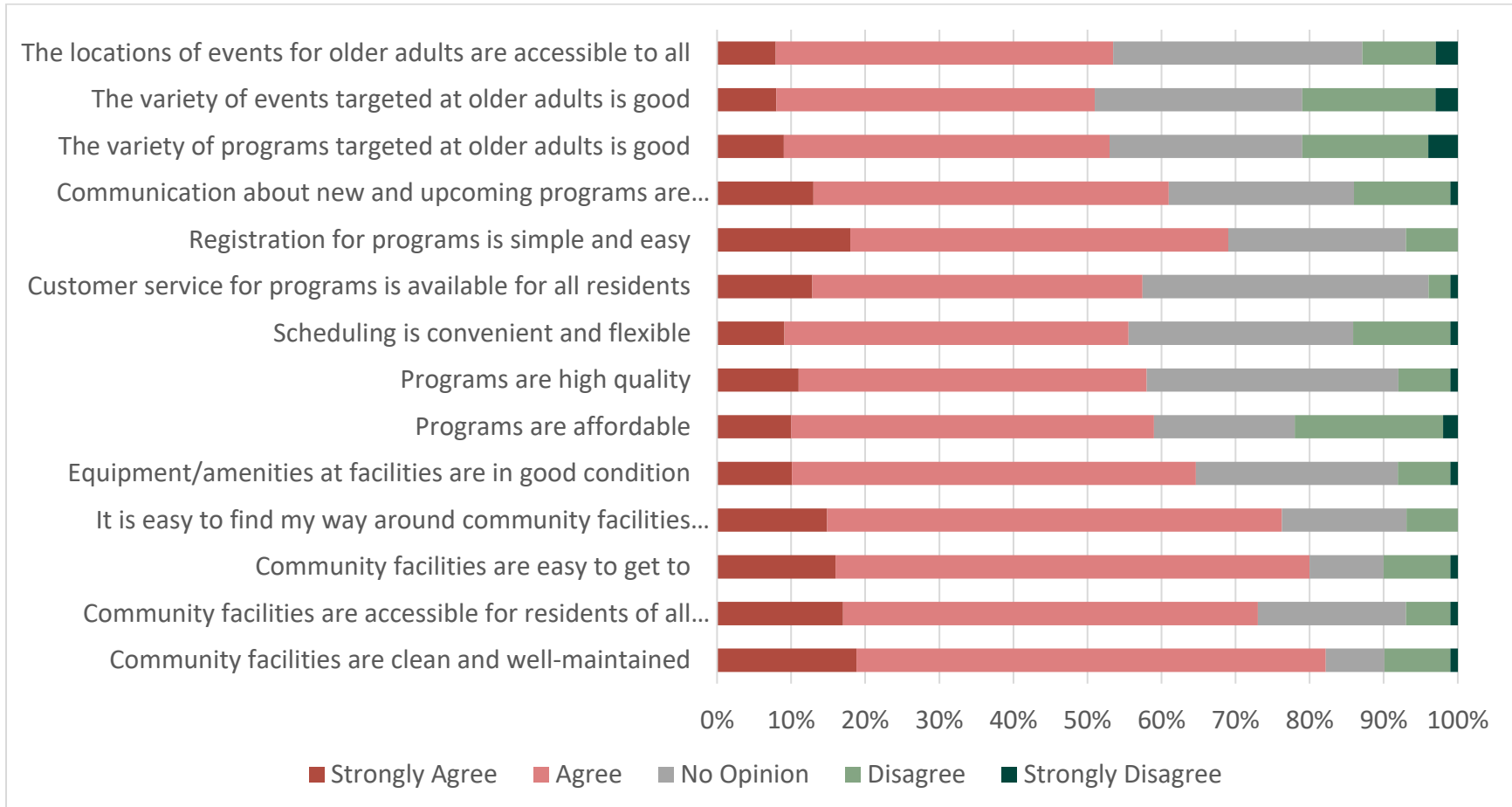
Q28 - During the next 3-5 years, how do you expect your leisure activity to change?



Q29 - Please describe your satisfaction with the following types of social, leisure, and/or recreational facilities in Pickering:



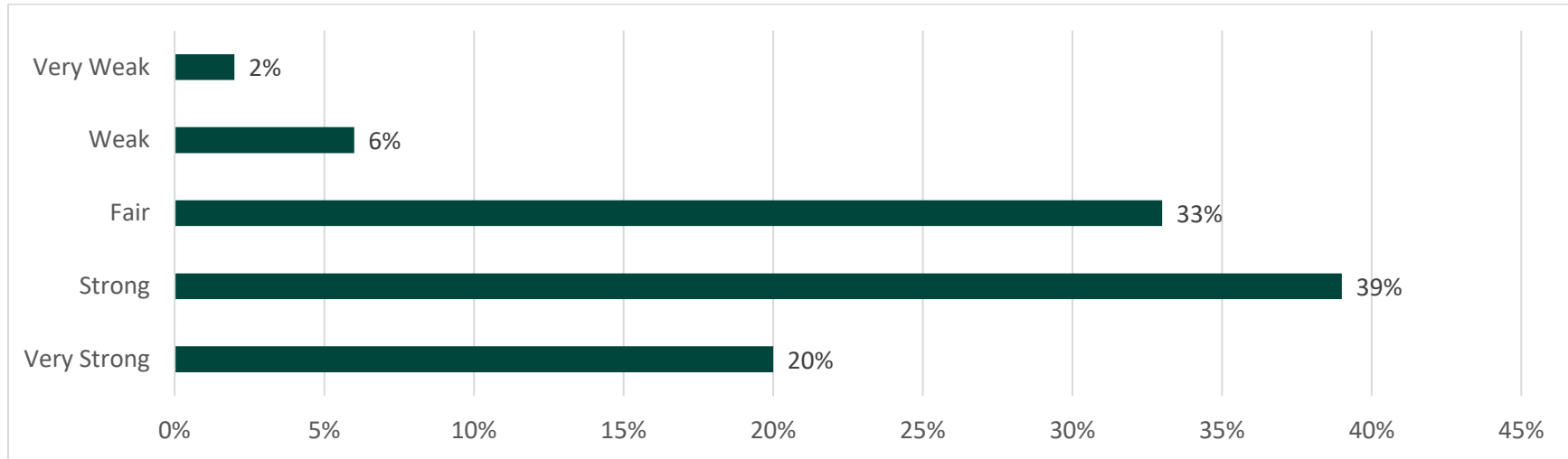
Q30 - Do you agree or disagree with the following statements about social, leisure, and recreational programs and facilities in Pickering?



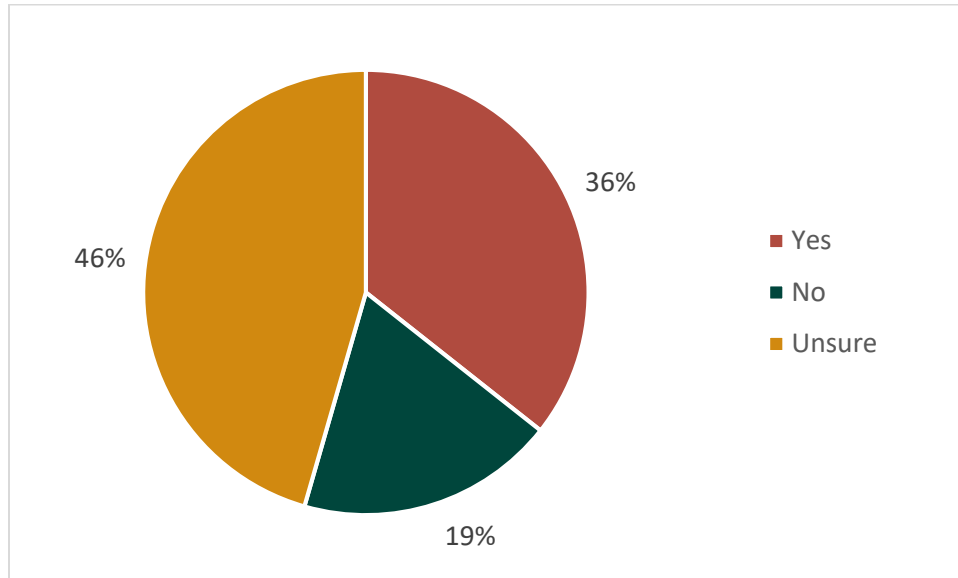
Q31 - Do you have any specific recommendations to improve participation in social, leisure and recreational activities for older adults living in Pickering?



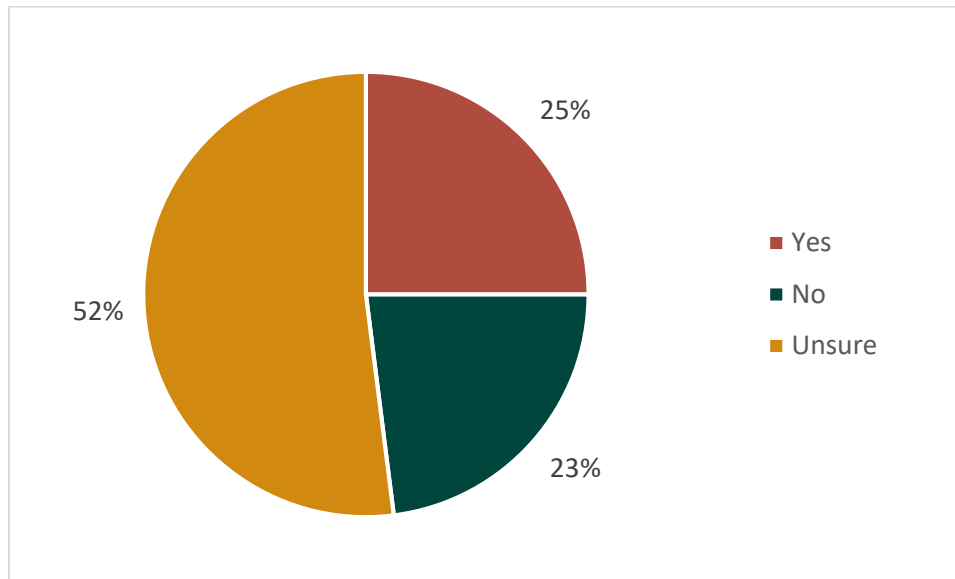
Q32 - How would you describe your sense of community belonging in Pickering?



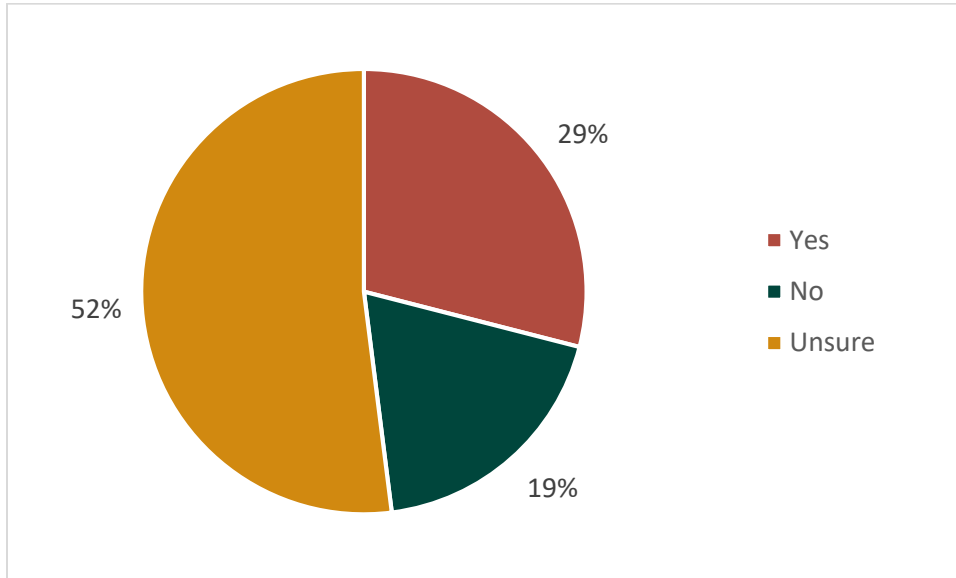
Q33 - Do you feel that your opinions are valued by the City of Pickering?



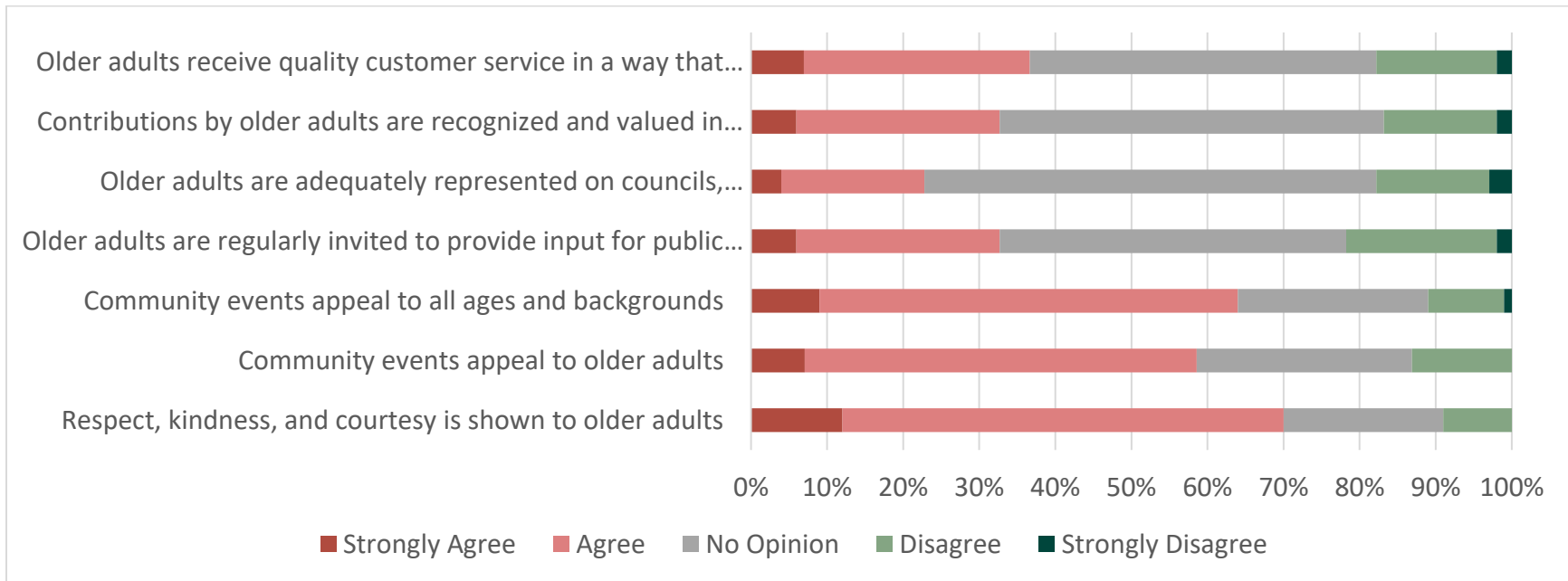
Q34 - Do you feel that the diverse needs of older adults are well-understood by municipal staff and elected officials in Pickering?



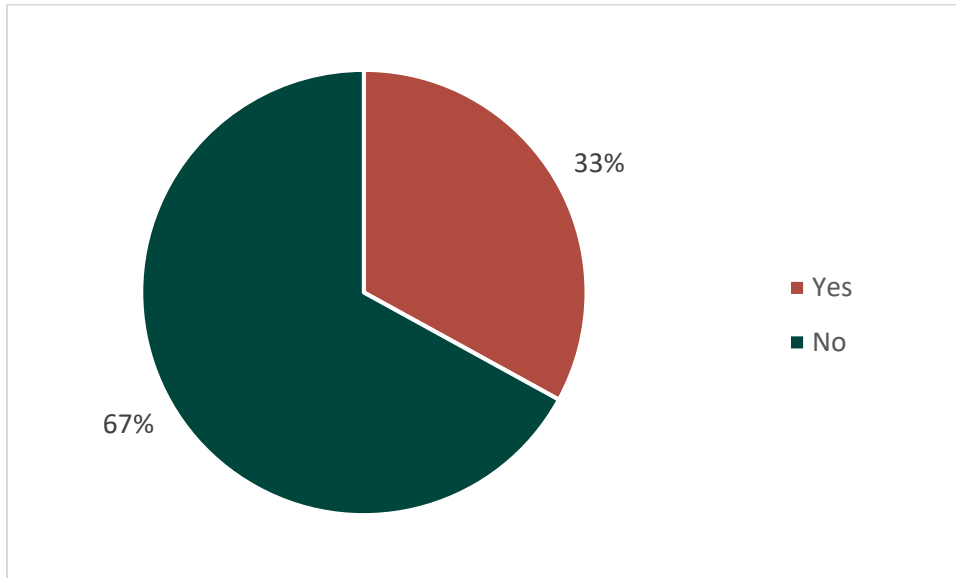
Q35 - Do you feel that the contributions of older adults in the community are appropriately recognized by municipal staff and elected officials in Pickering?



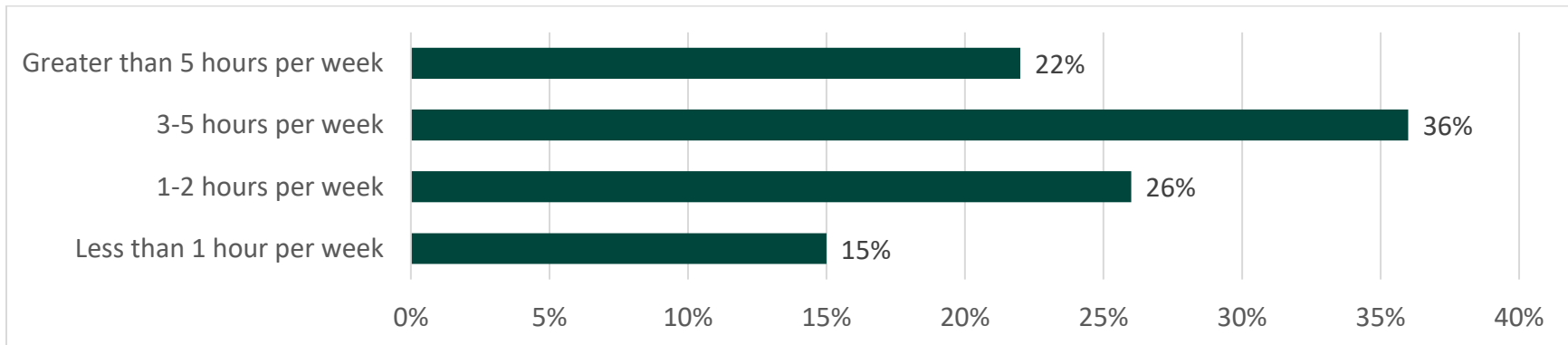
Q36 - Do you agree or disagree with the following statements regarding respect and social inclusion for older adults in Pickering?



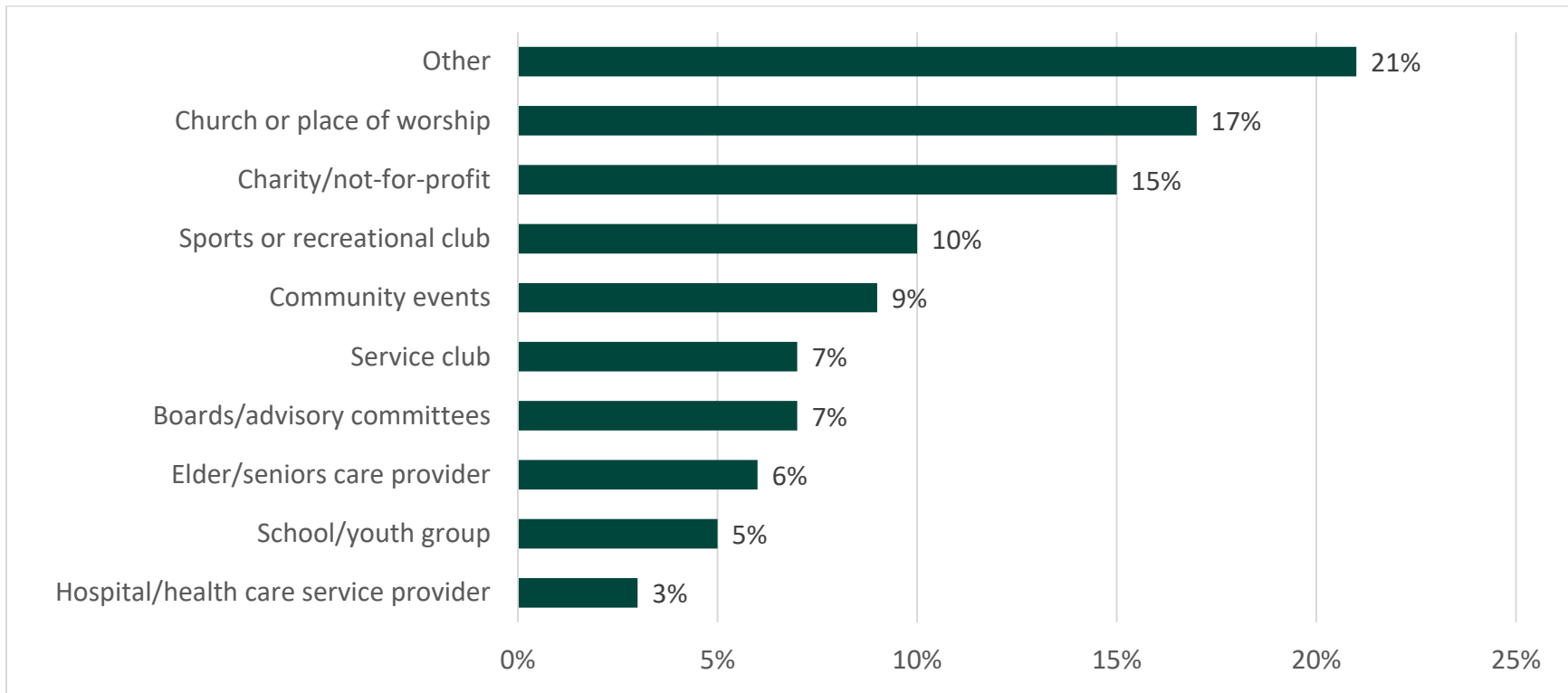
Q37 - Do you currently volunteer anywhere in Pickering?



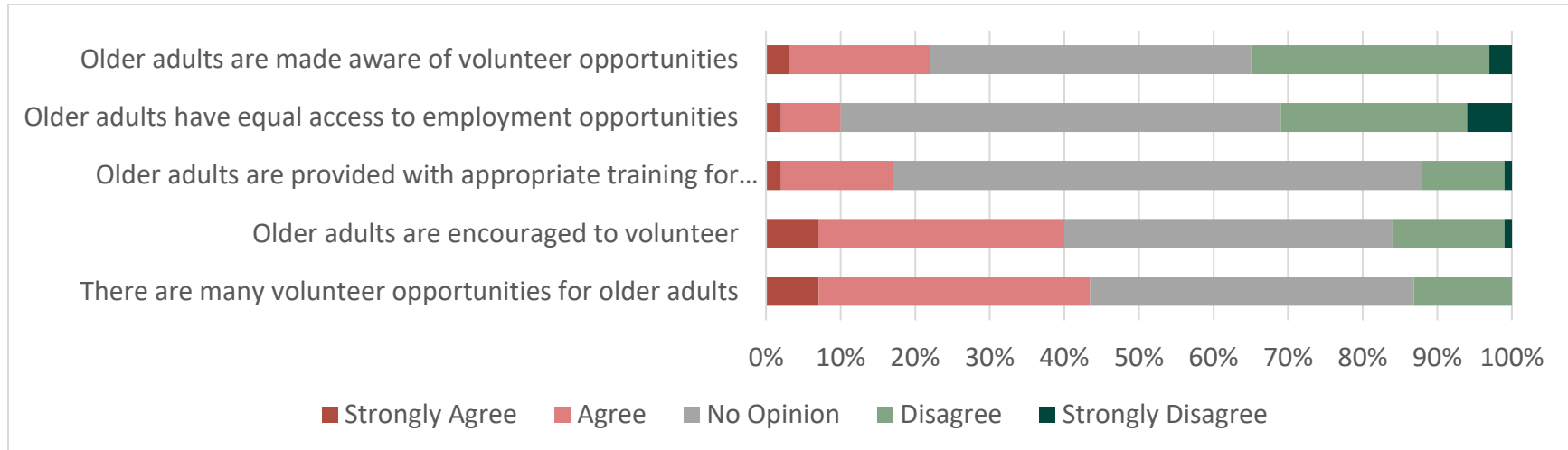
Q38 - How many hours per week do you dedicate to volunteer activities?



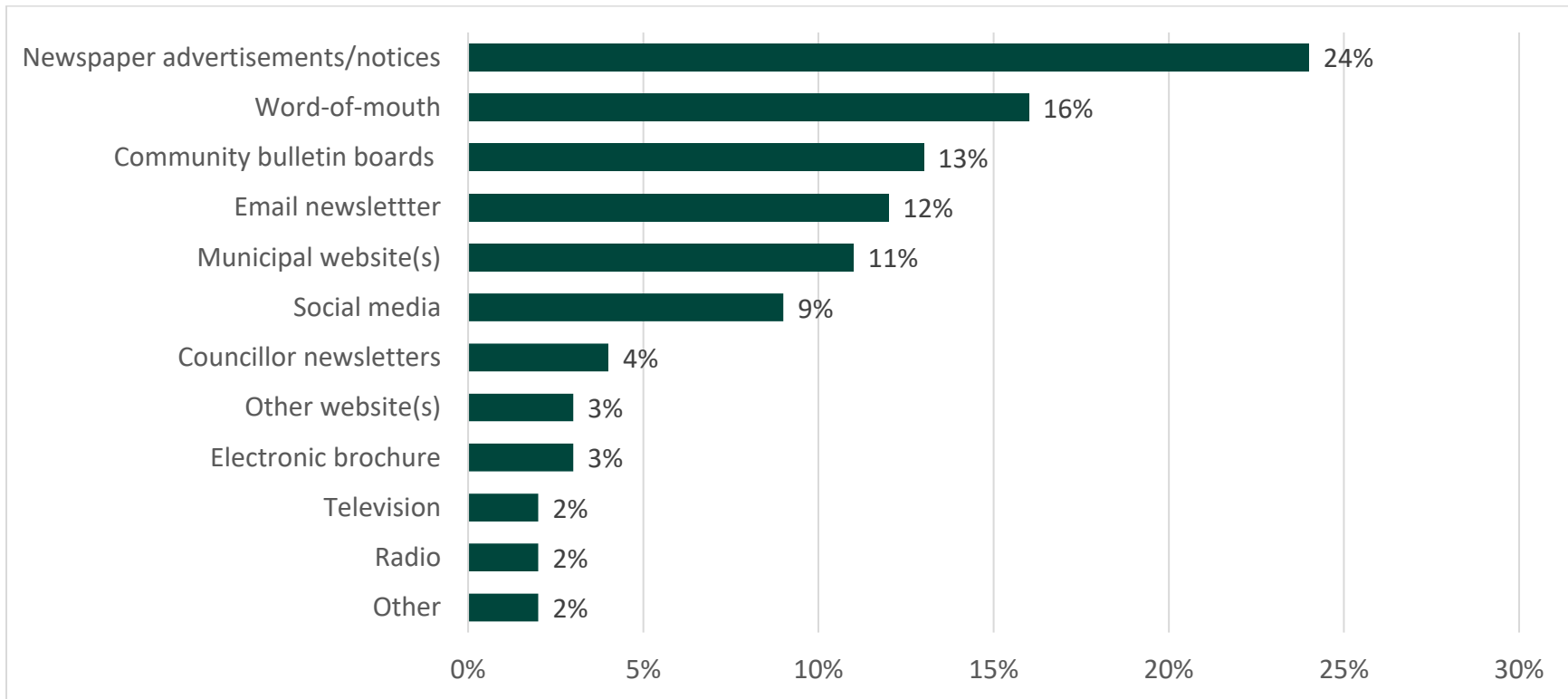
Q39 - Where do you volunteer?



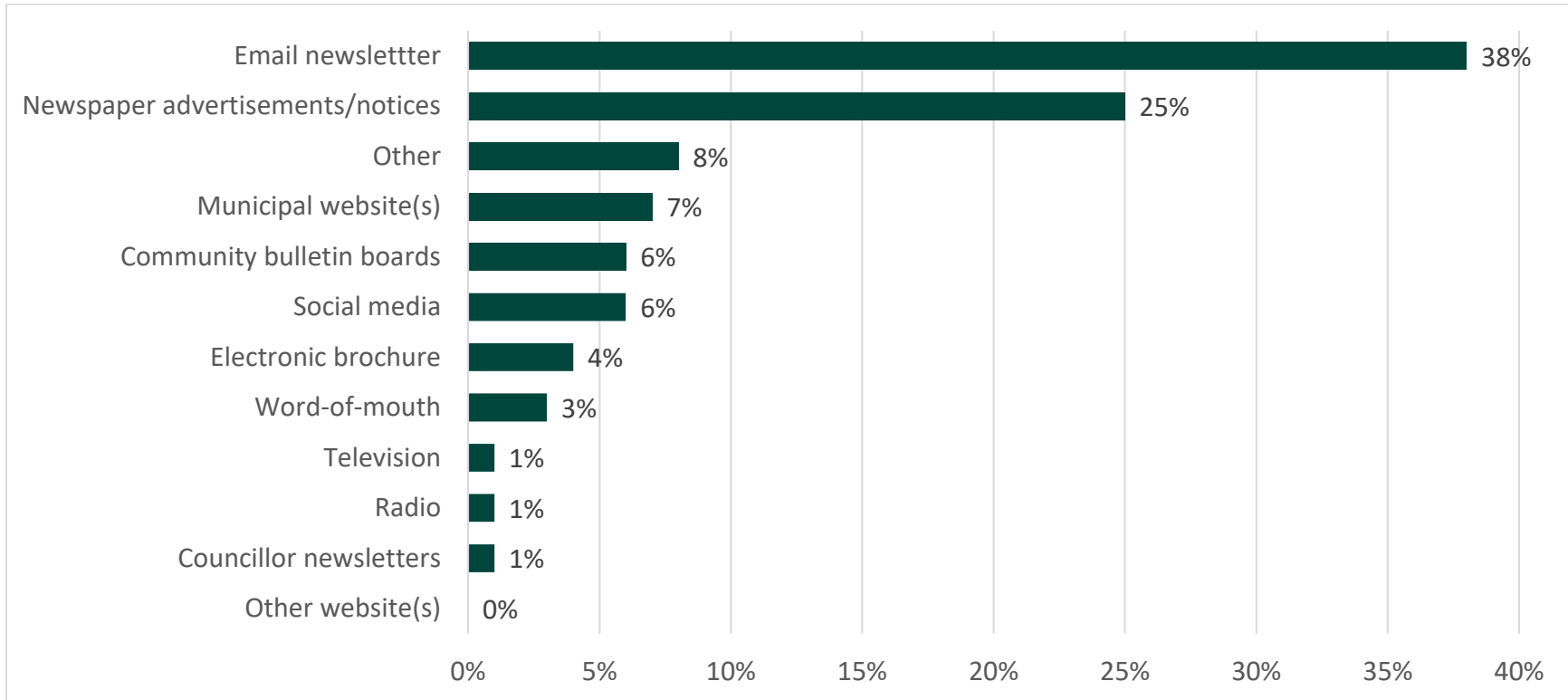
Q40 - Do you agree or disagree with following statements regarding civic participation and employment opportunities for older adults in Pickering?



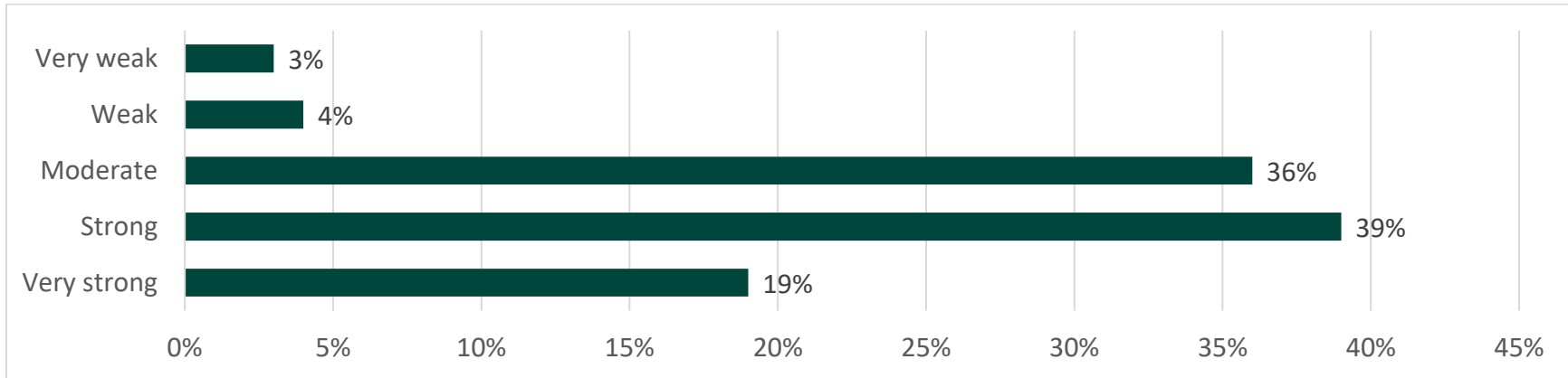
Q41 - What is your current method of staying informed about programs and services in Pickering?



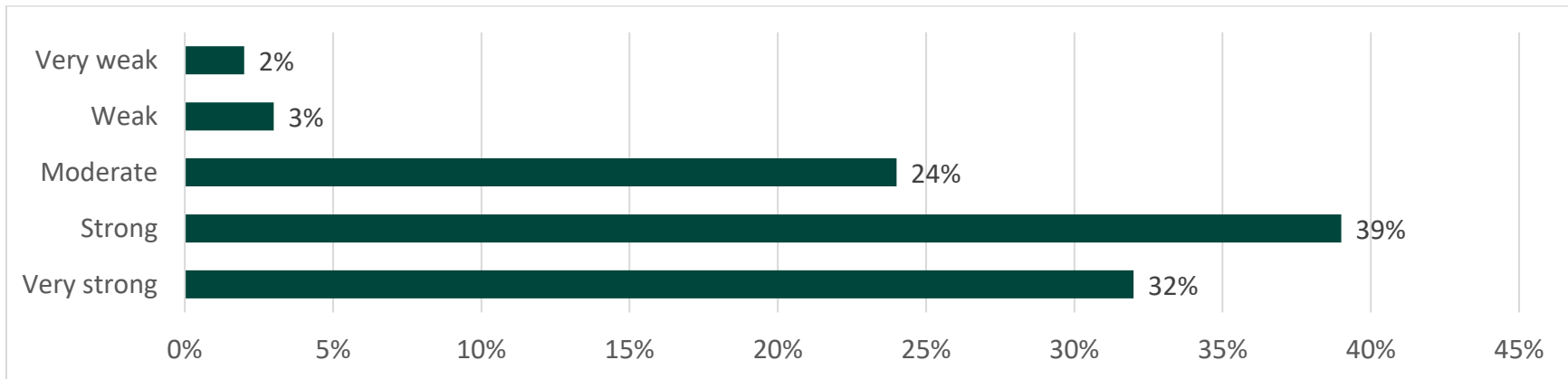
Q42 - What is your preferred method of staying informed about programs and services for older adults in Pickering?



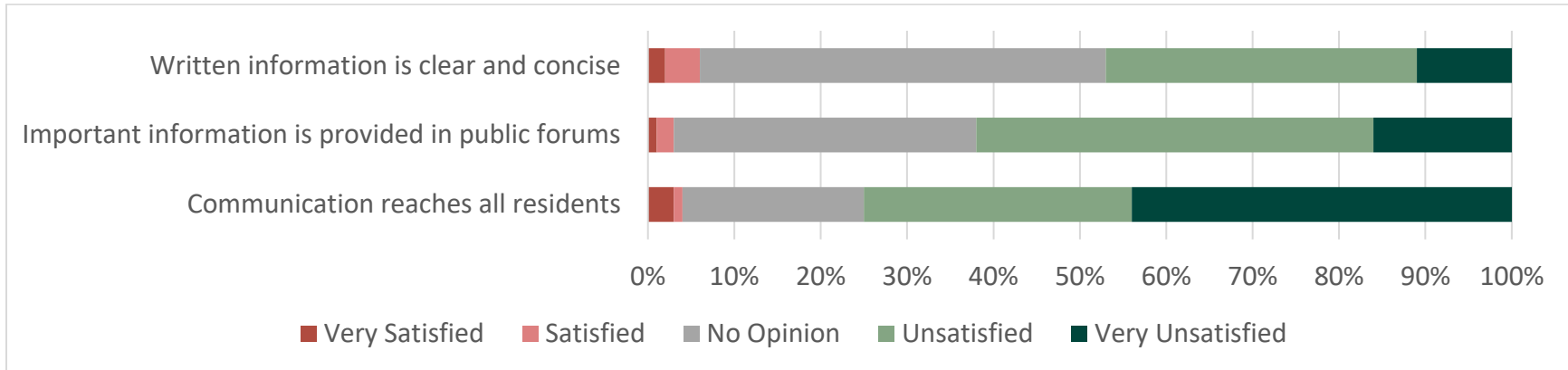
Q43 - How would you rate your familiarity with technology?



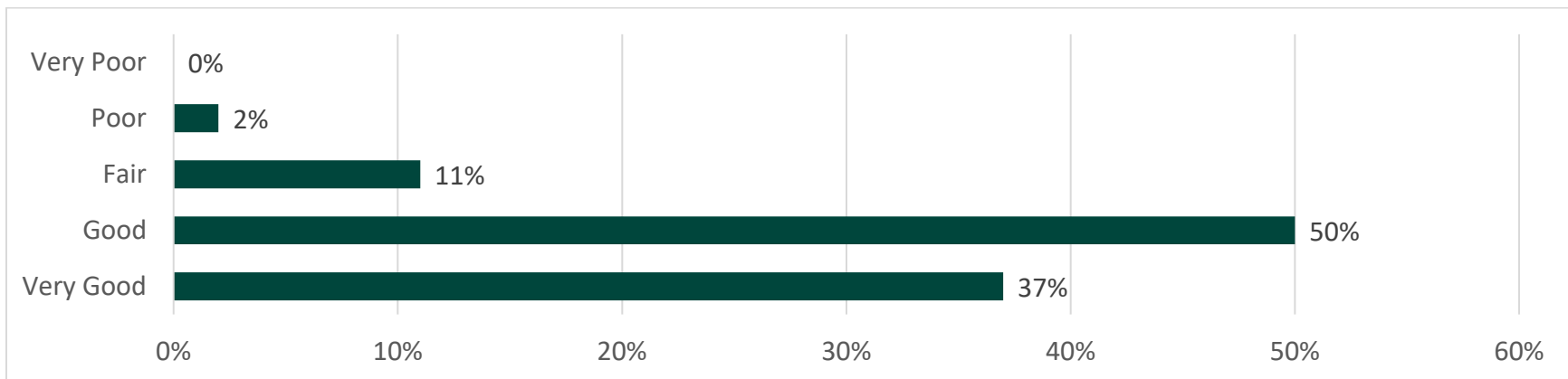
Q44 - How would you rate your access to technology?



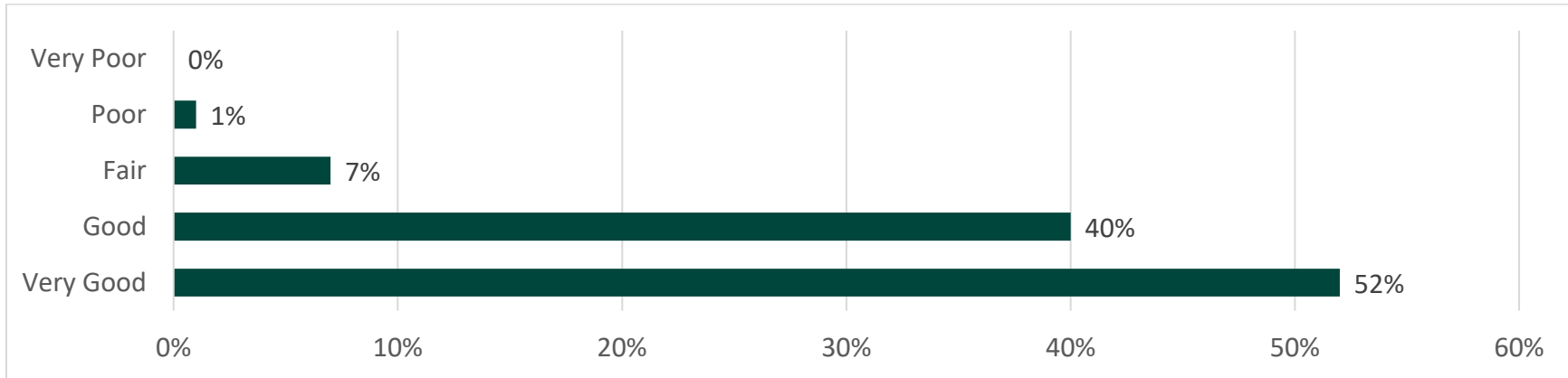
Q45 - Do you agree or disagree with following statements regarding communication and information about programs and services for older adults in Pickering?



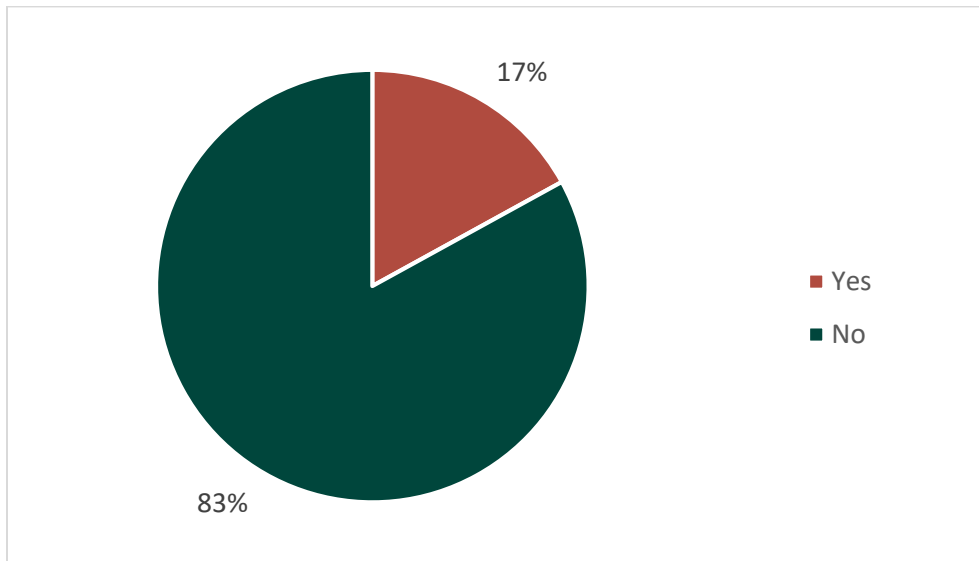
Q46 - In general, how would you describe your physical health?



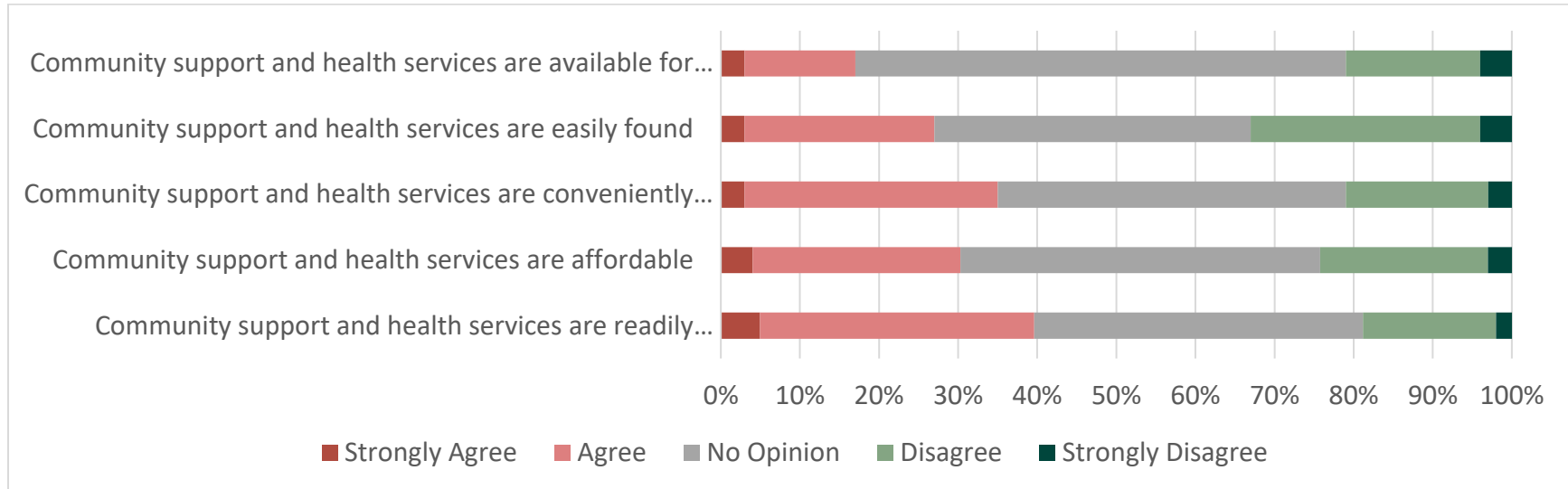
Q47 - In general, how would you describe your mental health and personal well-being?



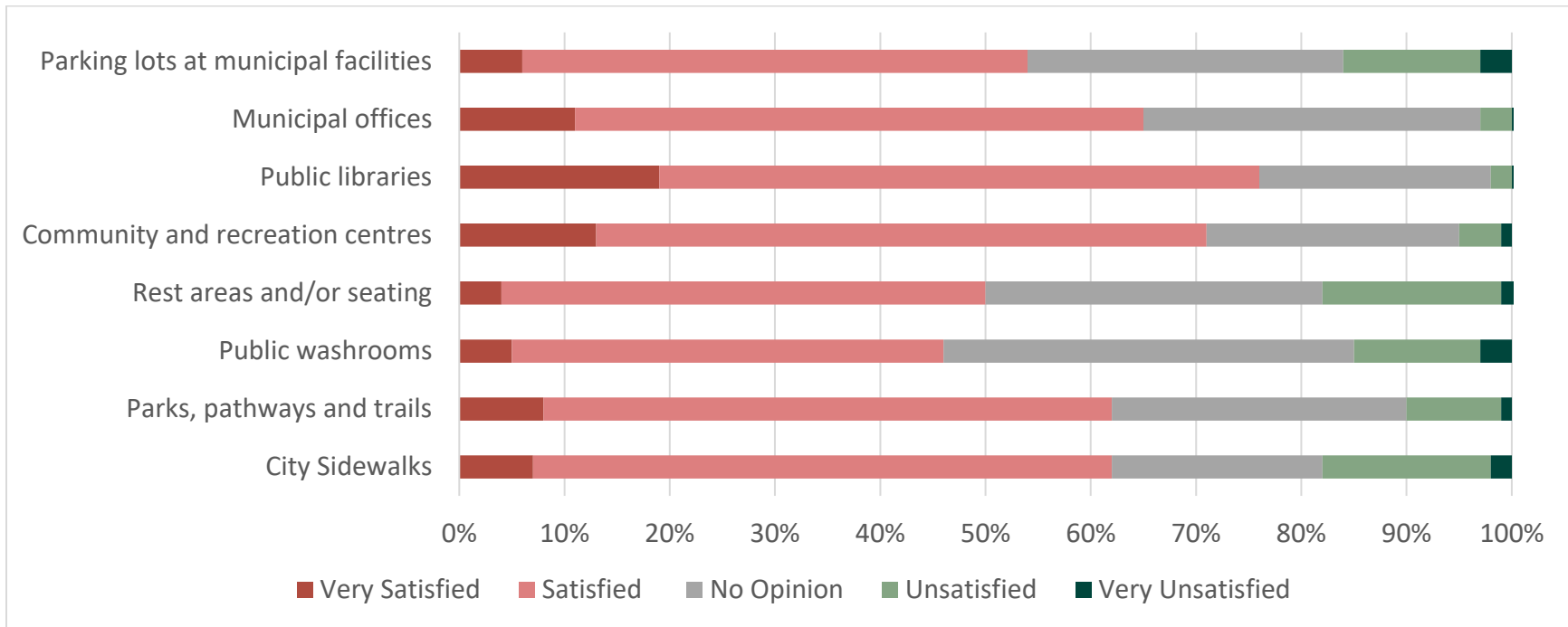
Q48 - Do you act as a caregiver for an older adult spouse, family member or friend in Pickering?



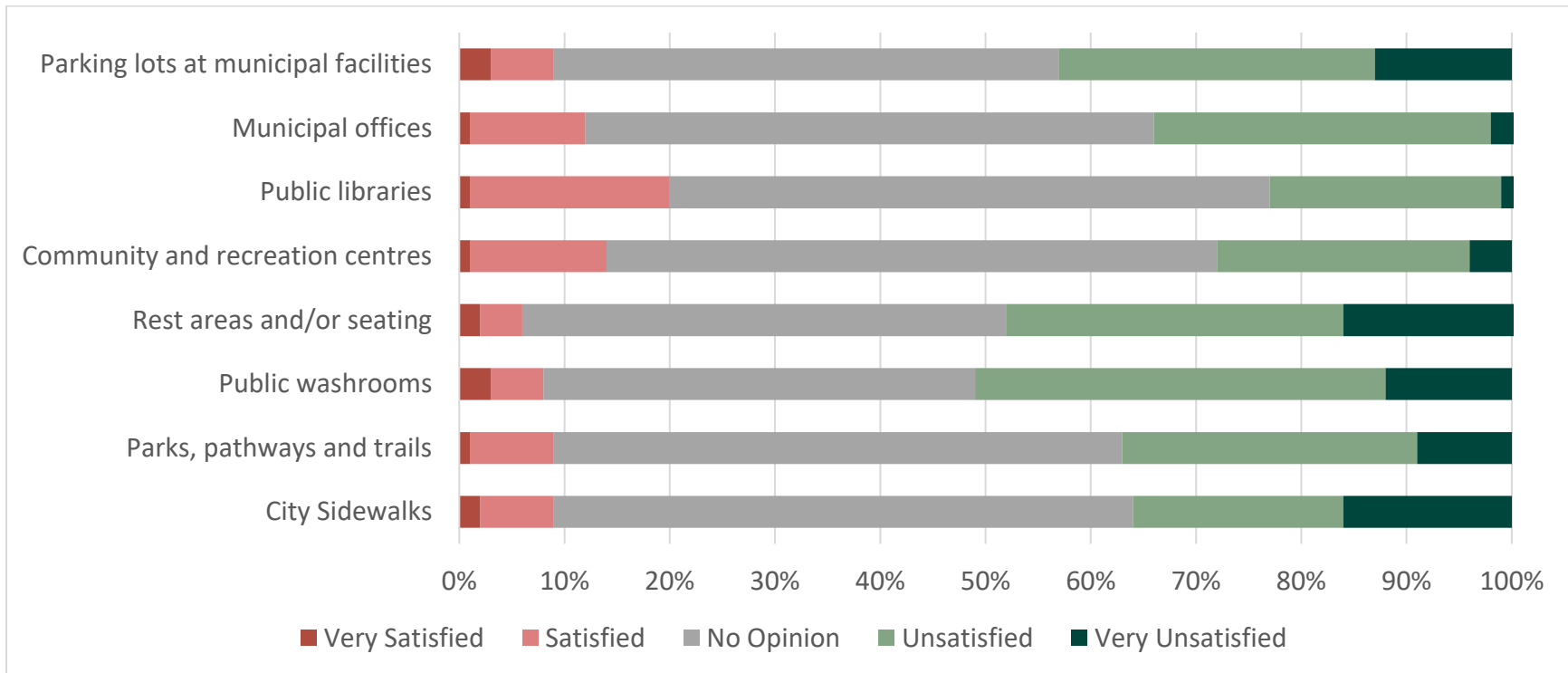
Q49 - Do you agree or disagree with the following statements regarding community support and health services for older adults in Pickering?



Q50 - Please rate the following based on your satisfaction with the quality of outdoor spaces and buildings in Pickering:



Q51 - Please rate the following based on your satisfaction with the accessibility of outdoor spaces and buildings in Pickering:



Q52 - Please rate your overall satisfaction with each of the following age-friendly considerations in the City of Pickering

