



Online Safety Survey Report

A survey of female youth's understanding and response to online risks in Nigeria



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Introduction

This report is a replication of the survey carried out on female youths between the ages of 15-35 cut across seven states (Lagos, Abuja, Ibadan, Enugu, Cross River, Rivers State, and Kano) in Nigeria.

The survey was conducted between May - July 2023.

793 female youth participants responded to the survey.

The survey aimed to gather insights on girl's and women's level of understanding/awareness on online safety, with a special focus on financial data protection.



Methodology

We conducted a survey of 793 female participants using both an online and offline questionnaire.

The results were analyzed using pie charts and statistical software.



Questions Asked



1

Age Range

Confirm Age Range

2

Ownership

Do you own an internet enabled device?

3

Individualisation

Do you have your bank account enrolled with mobile and/or internet banking?

4

Knowledge

On a scale of 0-10 (0 - lowest, 10 - highest), how well do you know how to protect your data online?

5

Specificity

Have you used any Apps/Tools to protect yourself online?

Questions Asked



6

Experience

Have you ever been bullied, harassed, or threatened online?

7

Effect

Has your mental health been affected if you were cyber-bullied or threatened?

8

Safety

Do you feel safe shopping online with your bank ATM card?

9

Knowledge

Have you lost money because your phone got missing, or a breach on your ATM Card?

10

Skill

Do you know what to do if you've been exposed to online risk or danger?

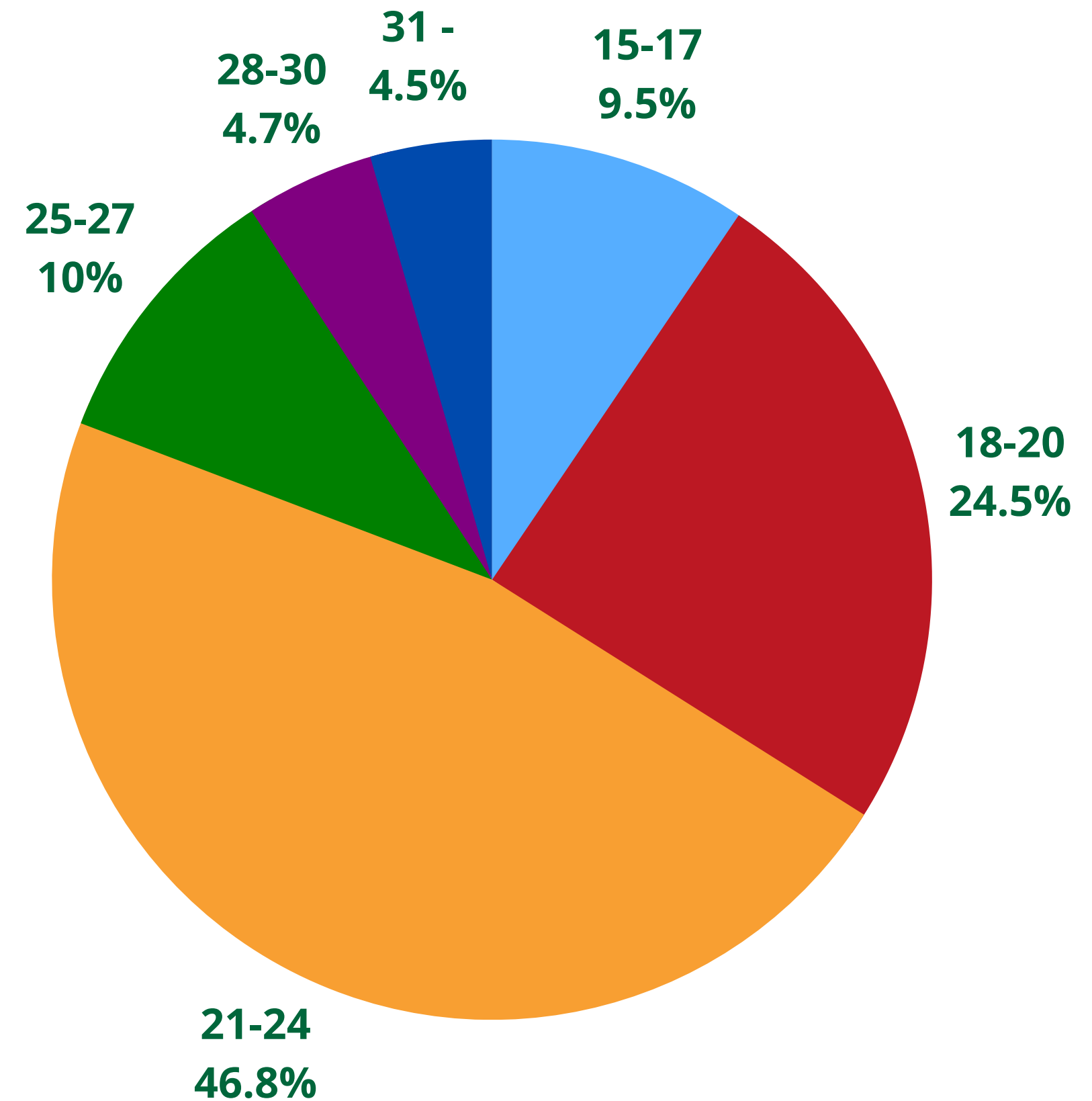
Questions Asked

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What is your age range?

15-17	18-20	21-24	25-27	28-30	31 ABOVE
70	181	346	74	35	33



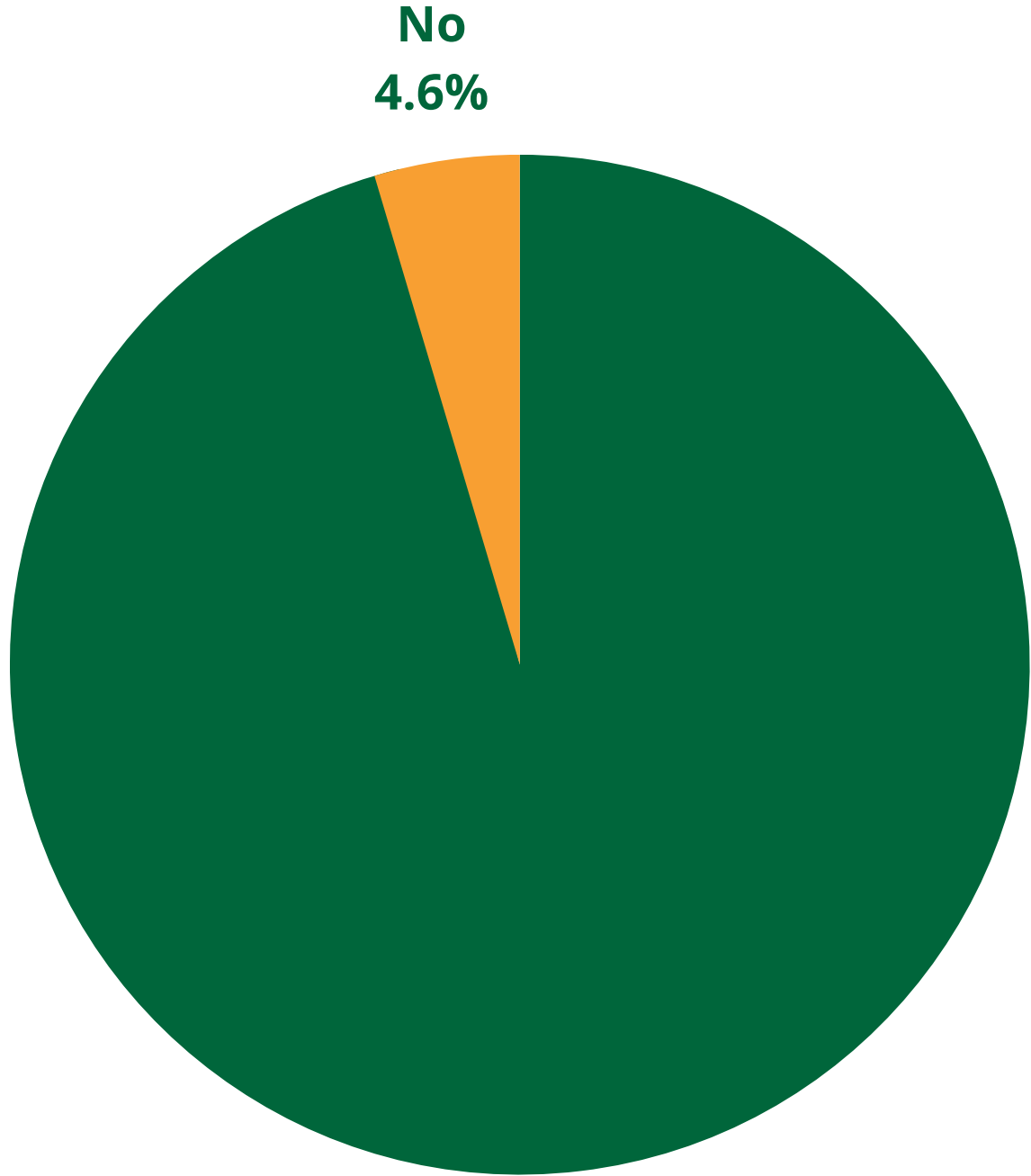
Questions Asked

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Do you own an internet enabled device?

YES	NO
705	34



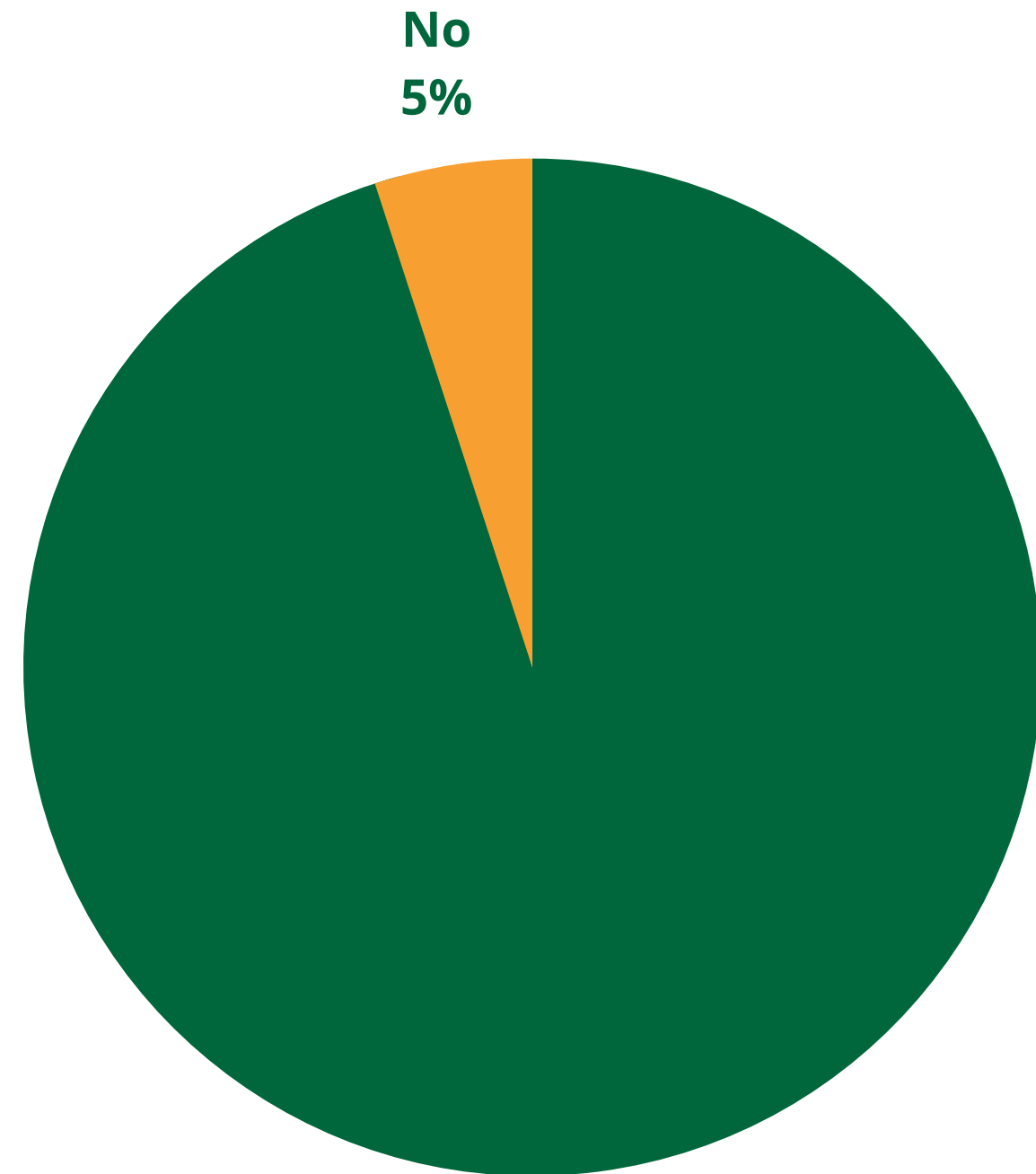
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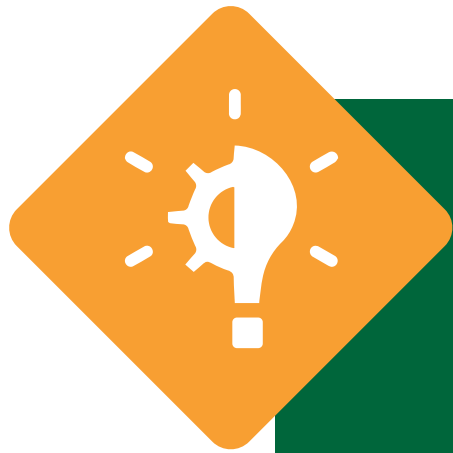
Do you have your bank account enrolled with mobile and/or internet banking?

YES	NO
702	37



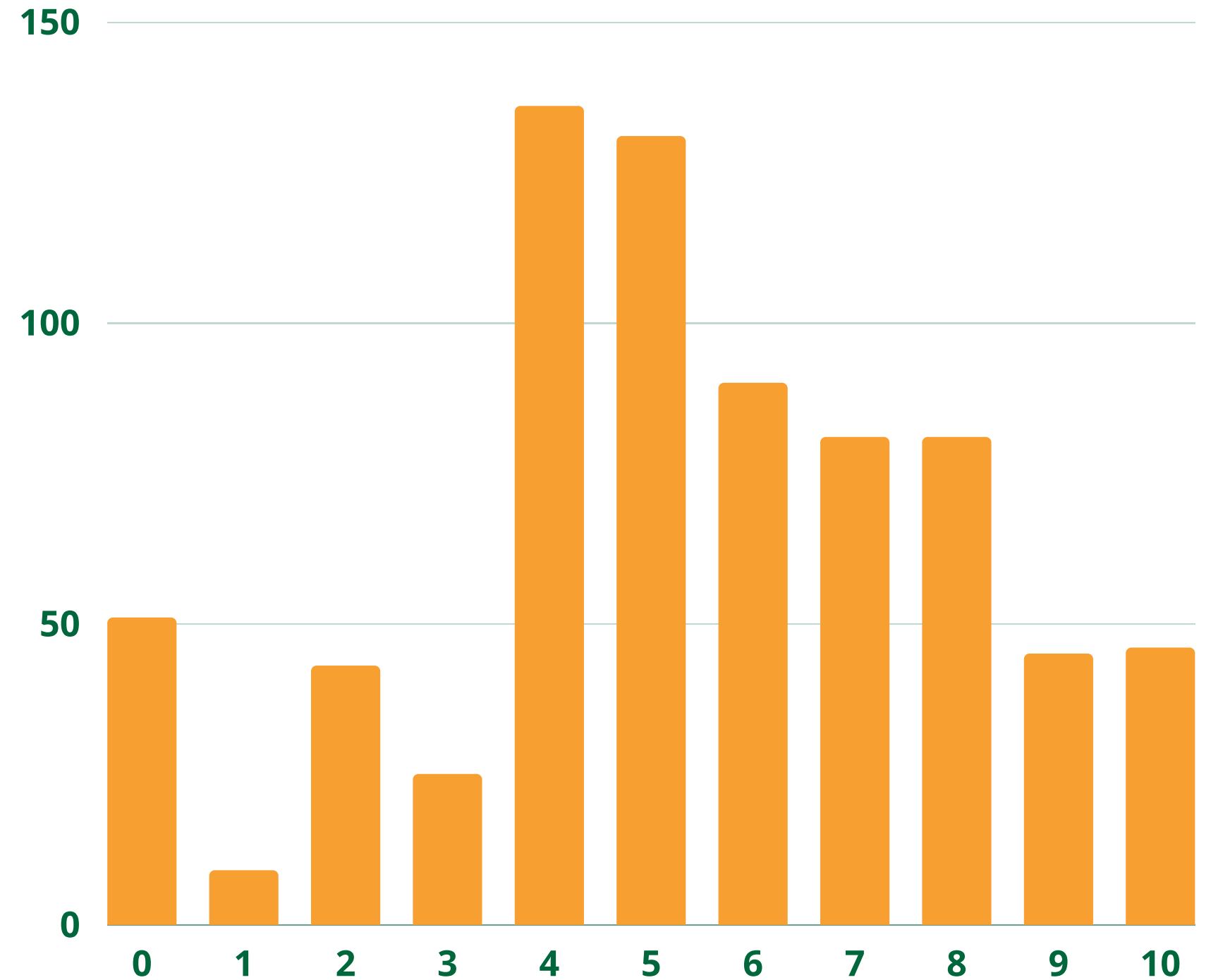
Questions Asked

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On a scale of 0-10 (0 – lowest, 10 – highest), how well do you know how to protect your data online?

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
51	9	43	25	136	131	90	81	81	45	46



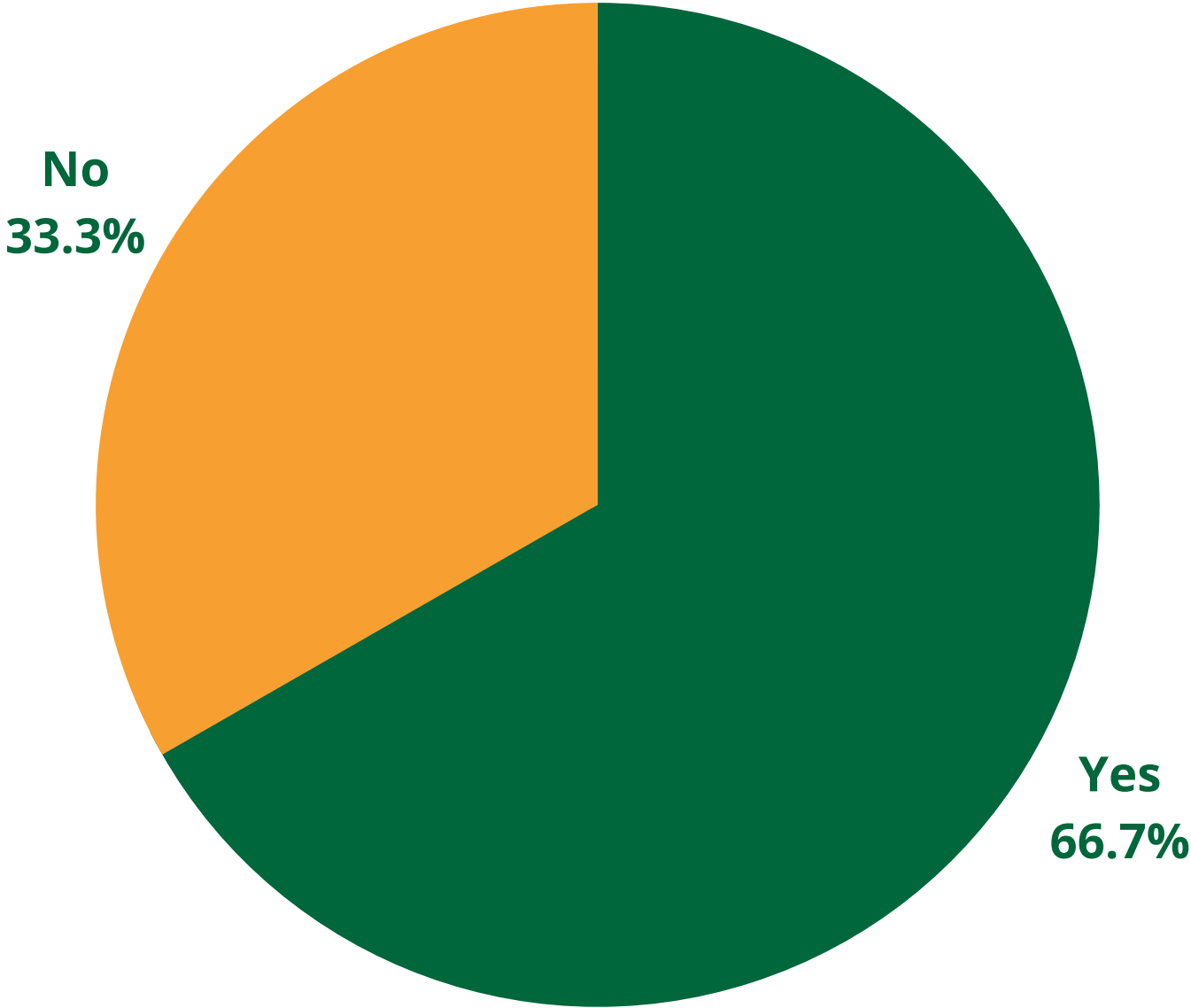
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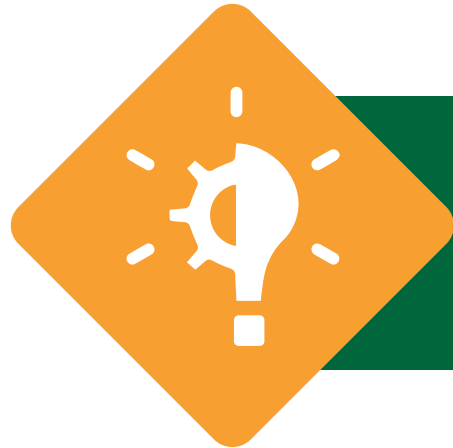
Have you used any Apps/Tools to protect yourself online?

YES	NO
493	246



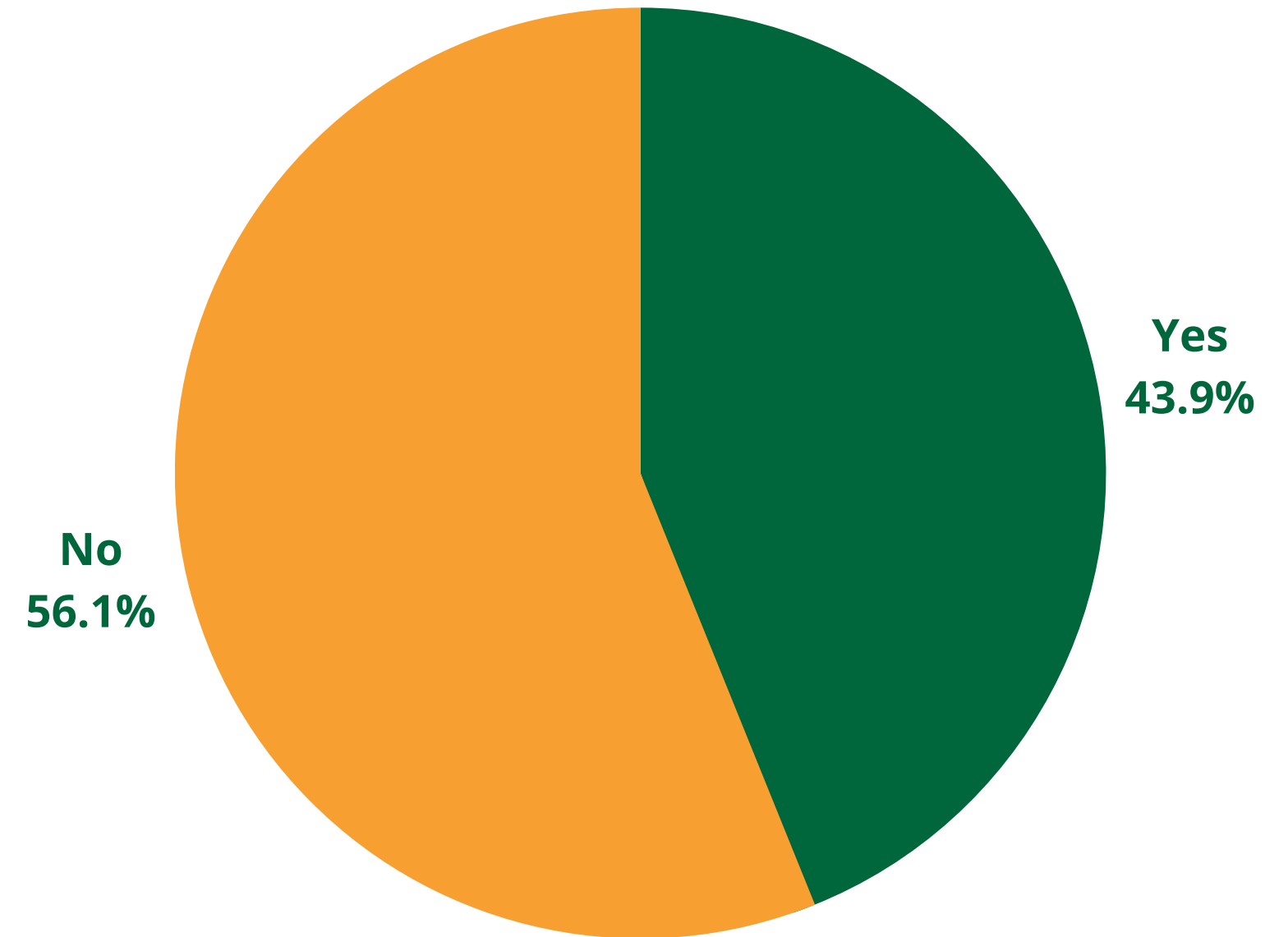
Questions Asked

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Have you ever been bullied, harassed, or threatened online?

YES	NO
348	445

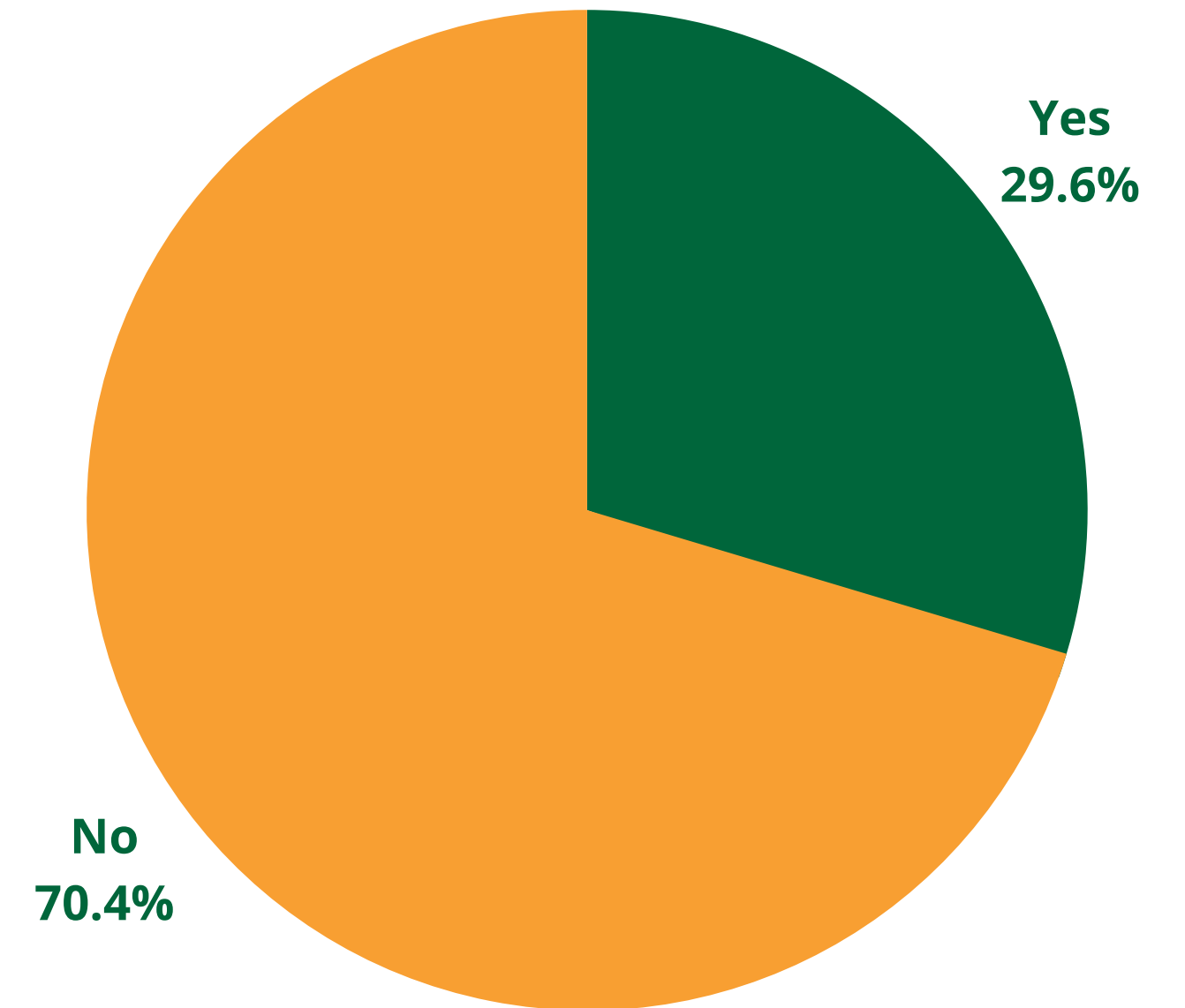


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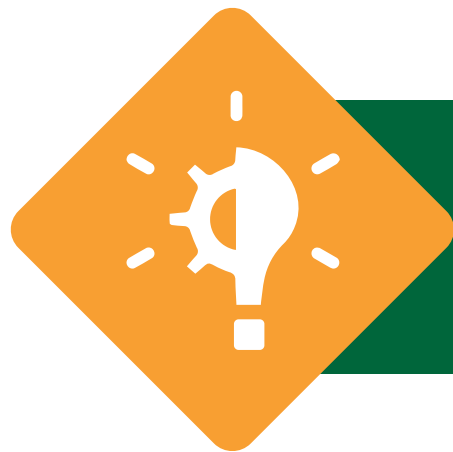
Has your mental health been affected if you were cyber-bullied or threatened?

YES	NO
219	520



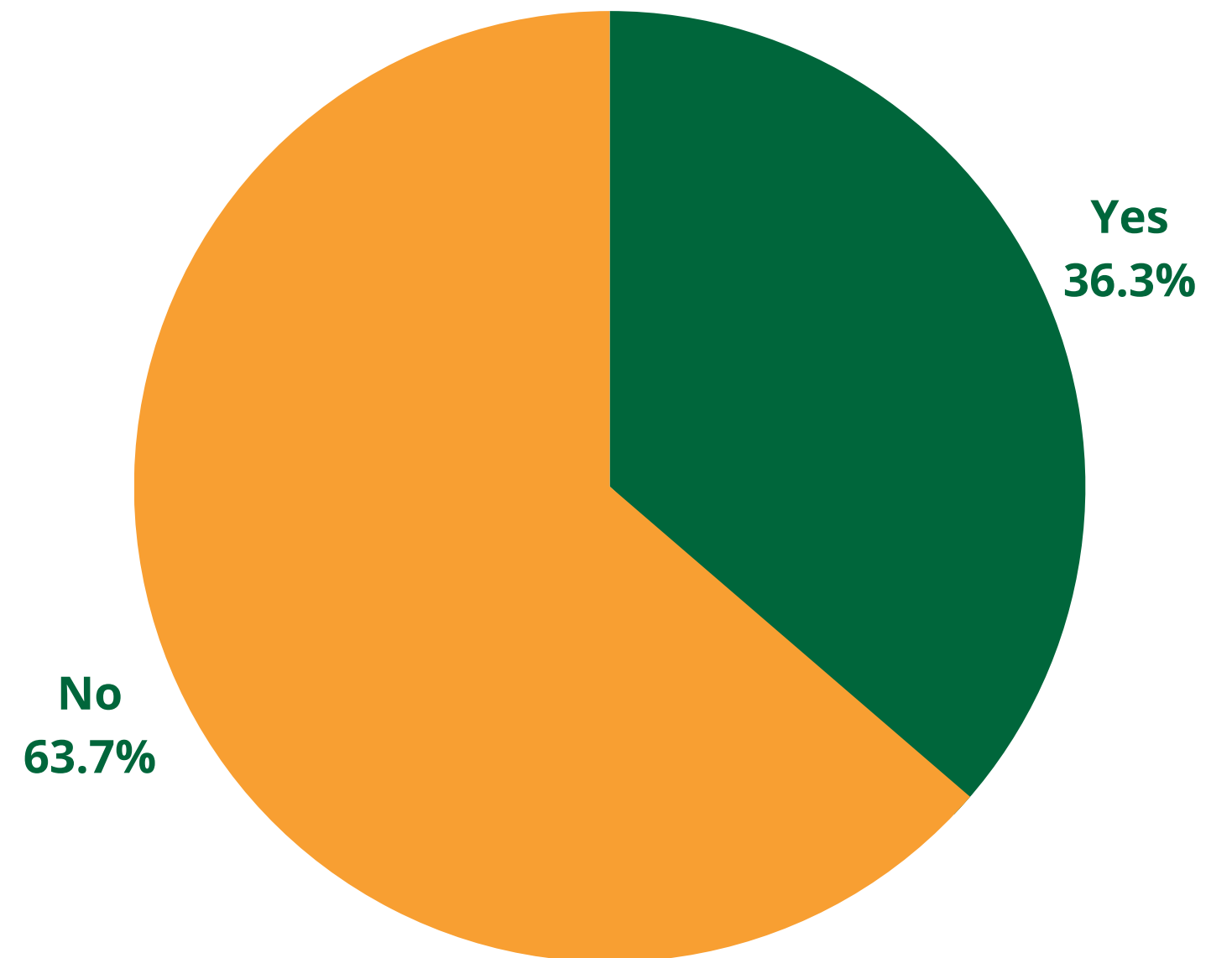
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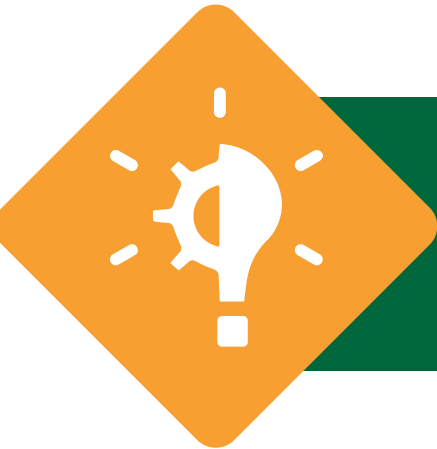
Do you feel safe shopping online with your bank ATM card?

YES	NO
288	505



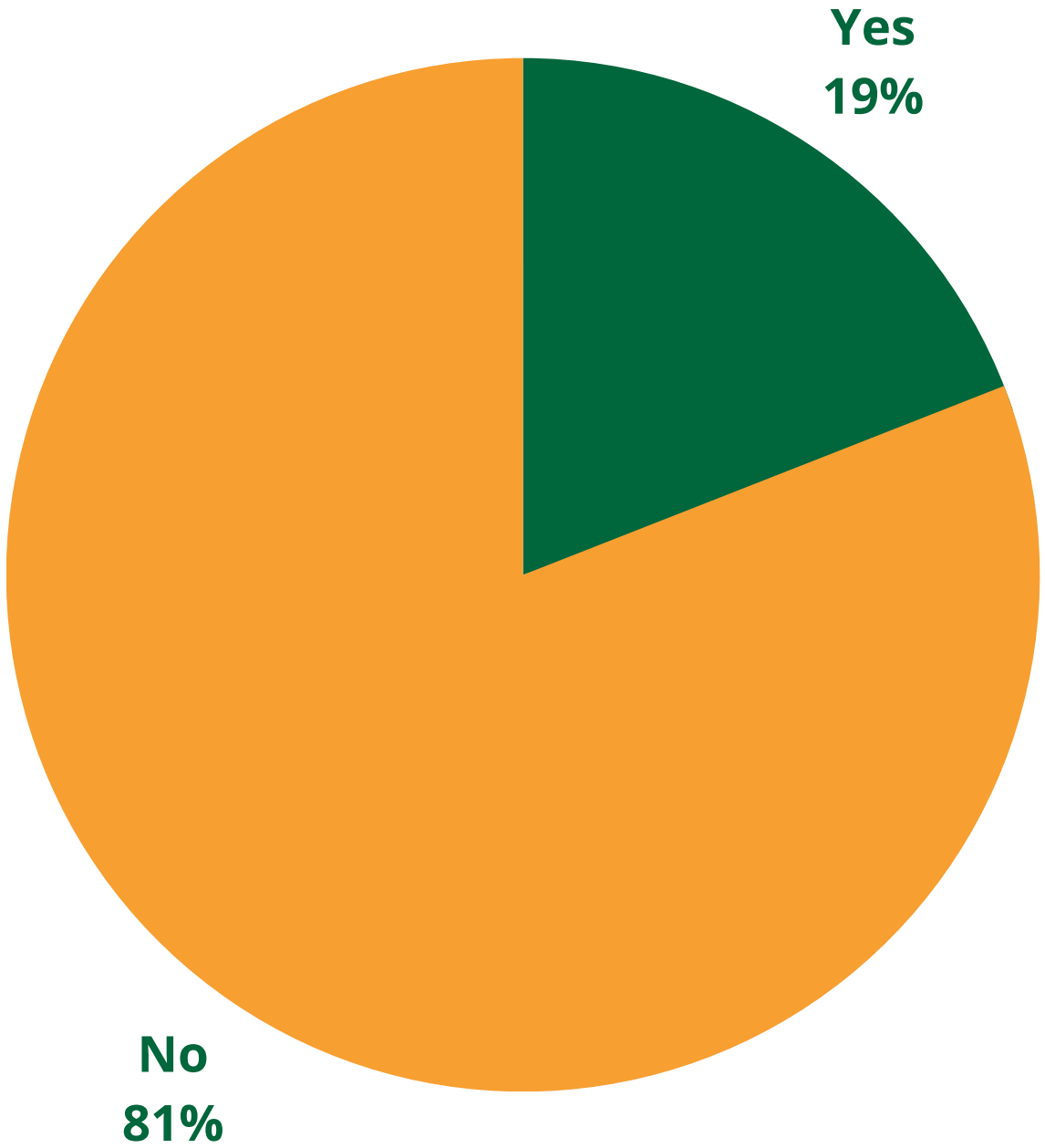
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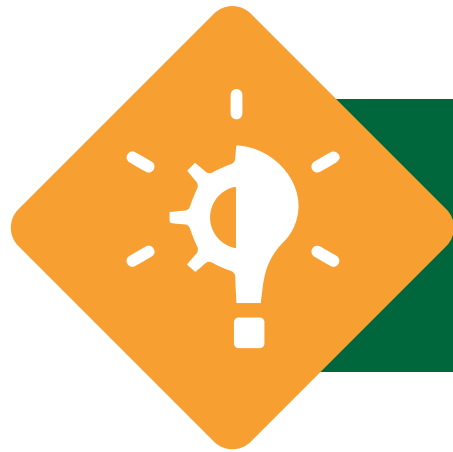
Have you lost money because your phone got missing, or a breach on your ATM Card?

YES	NO
151	642

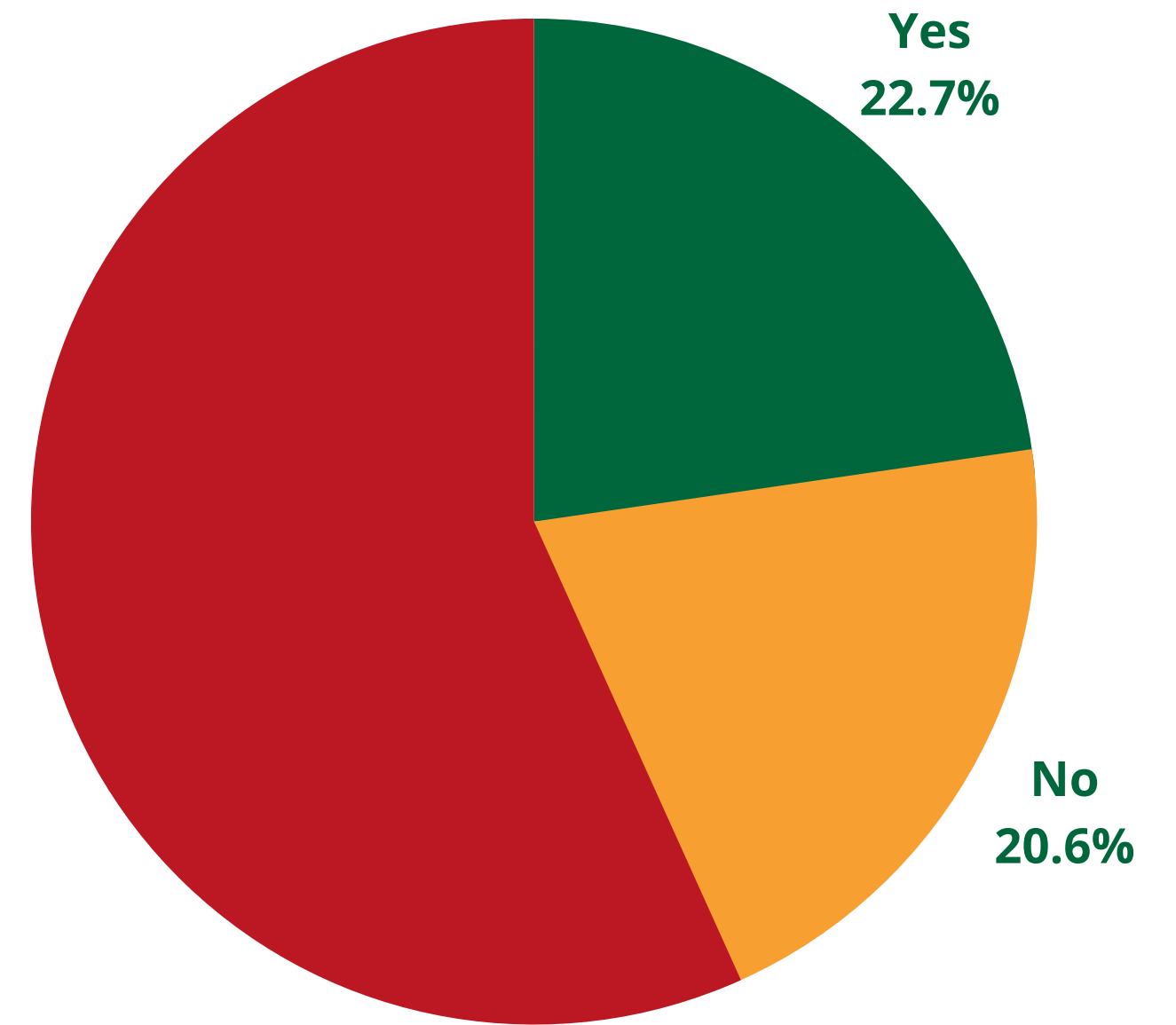


Questions Asked

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Do you know what to do if you've been exposed to online risk or danger?



YES	NO	NOT SURE
180	163	450

Key Findings

Results from our survey reveal the importance of understanding the specific online safety challenges faced by women and girls.

The gap is seen in awareness, expertise, acceptability, and adaptability.

By addressing these issues, policymakers, educators, and stakeholders can work together to create a safer and more inclusive online environment for all.



Recommendation

Women and girls are often targeted differently online, experiencing higher rates of cyberbullying, stalking, and online harassment. Here are our recommendations based on our survey.

Awareness

There is a need for increased awareness across all levels, helping girls and women know how to engage online in a safe and responsible way.

Training

Providing them with online safety training helps them learn how to protect themselves, report abusive behavior, and take appropriate actions to safeguard their digital privacy.

Policy Change

When users feel safer online, they are more likely to engage in digital activities. Effective policies contribute to a positive online experience, fostering trust and confidence in the digital space.

Support System

Support for online safety victims is crucial to help them cope with the emotional, psychological, and sometimes legal consequences of their experiences.

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