



Youth from the South Covid-19 online survey

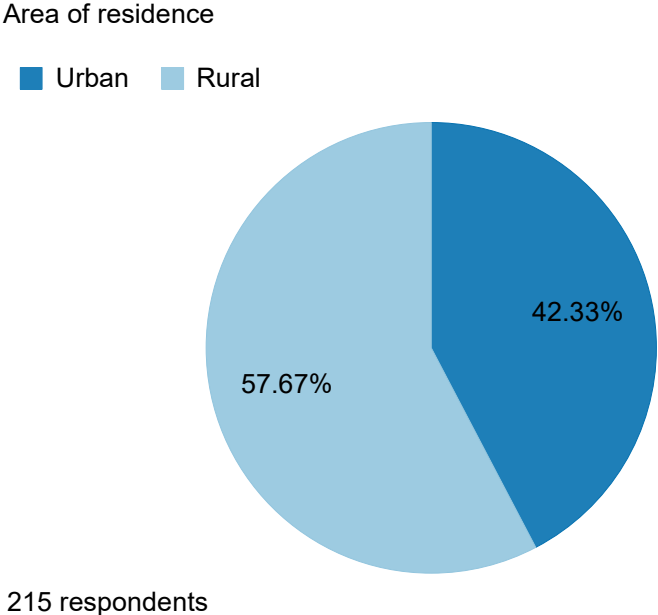
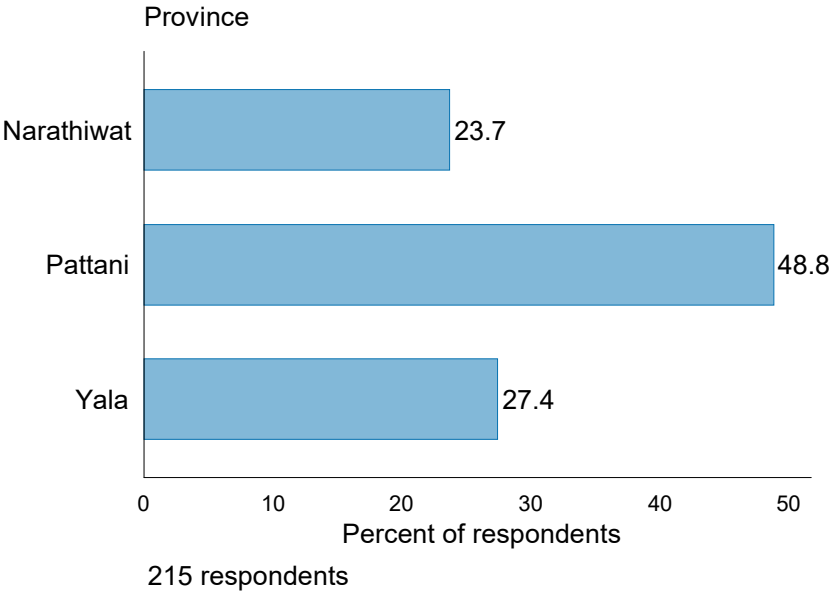
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Survey population and method

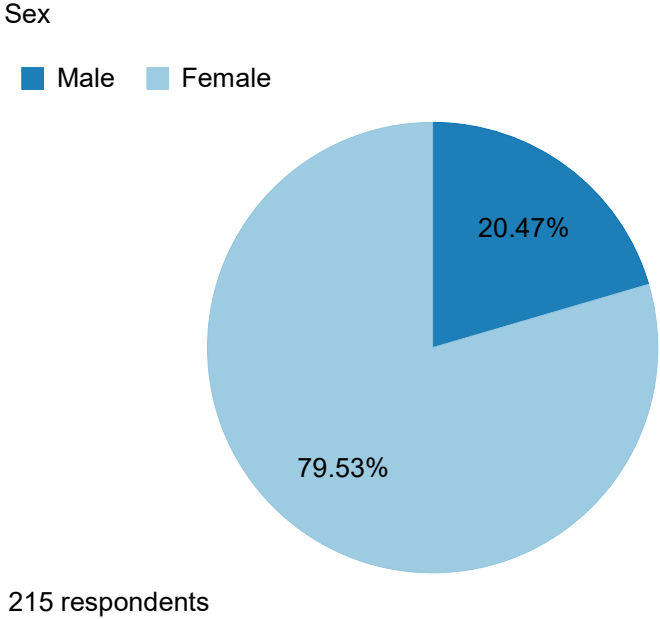
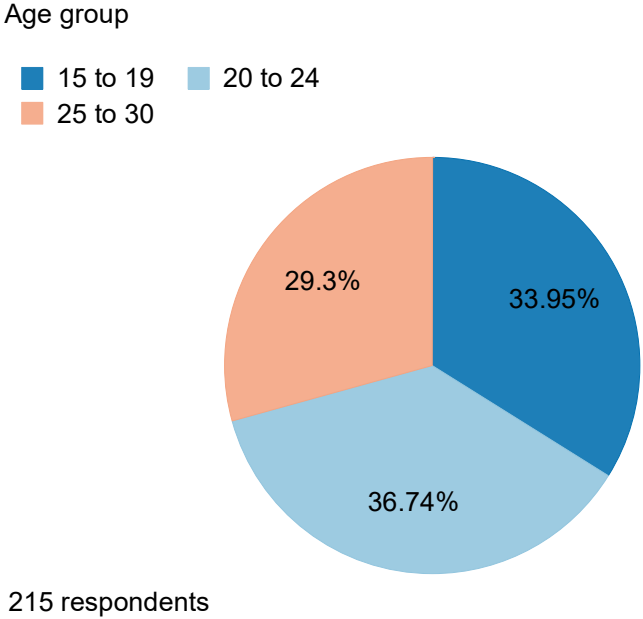
- Data were collected from 11 June – 4 July 2020.
- Eligible respondents included youth aged 15-30 years living in the three Southernmost provinces of Thailand (Narathiwat, Pattani, Yala).
- The survey was administered online through Google Forms.
- The online questionnaire was shared through the members of the Children and Youth Council of Thailand and the networks of UNFPA and the Institute for Population and Social Research, Mahidol University. This included sharing the survey via Facebook pages, community leaders and volunteers.
- The survey generated a convenience sample of 215 respondents.

Background information

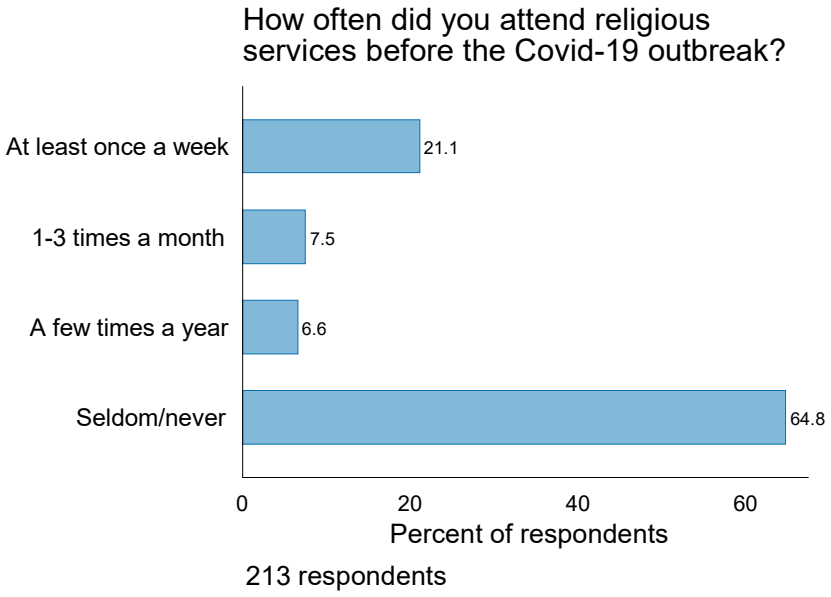
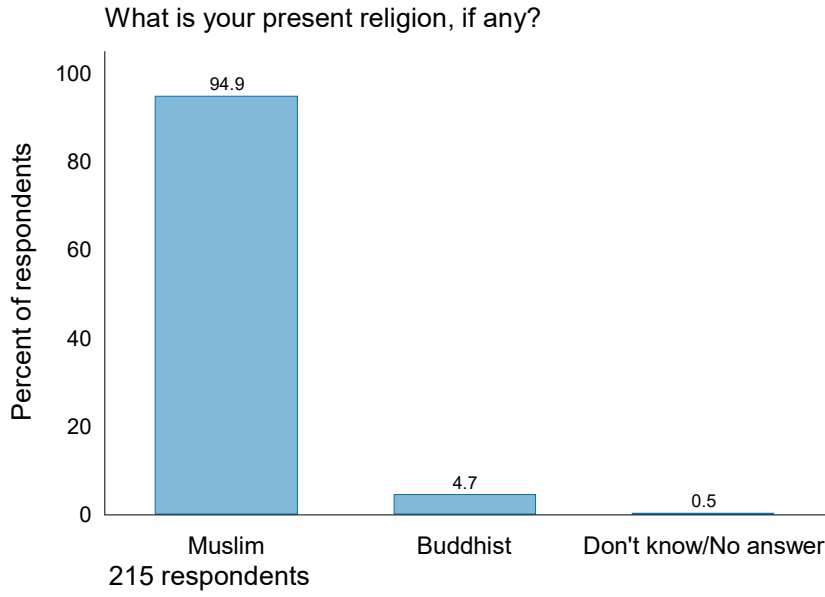
Province and area of residence of respondents



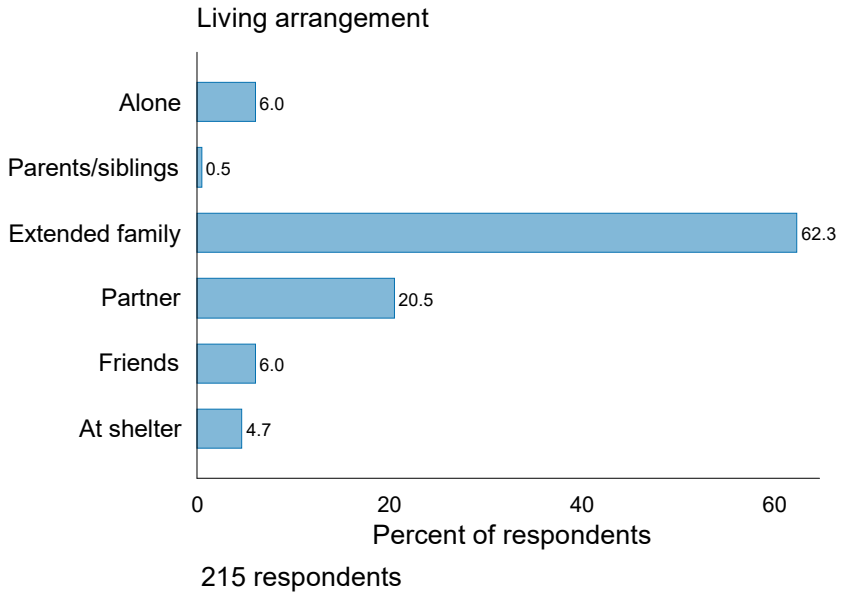
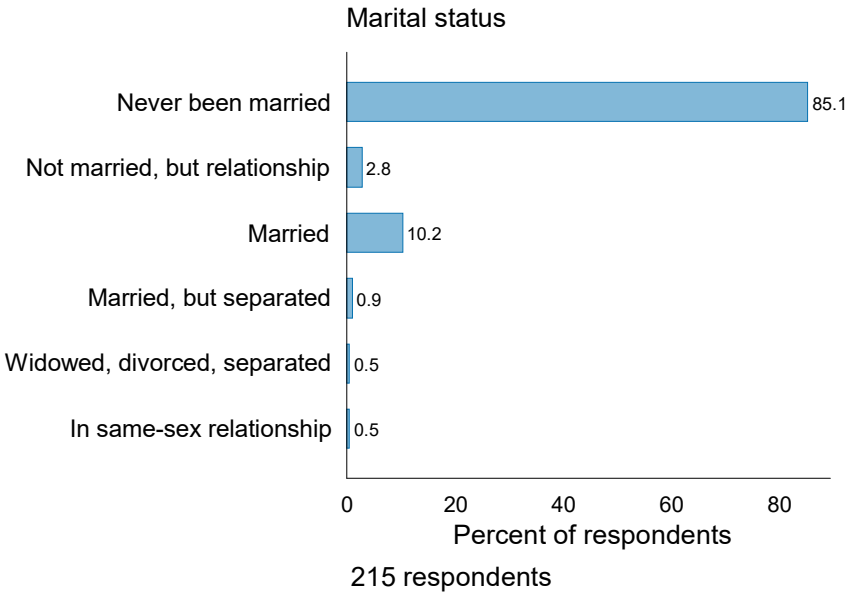
Age group and biological sex



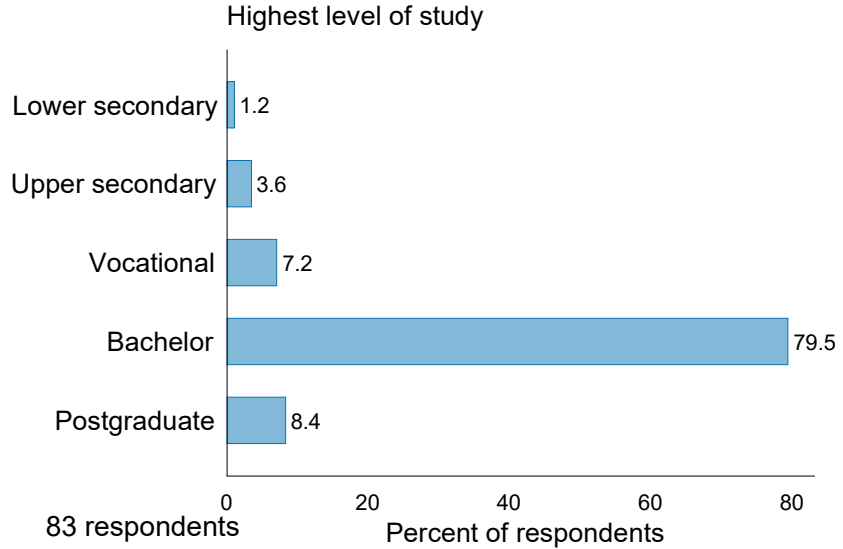
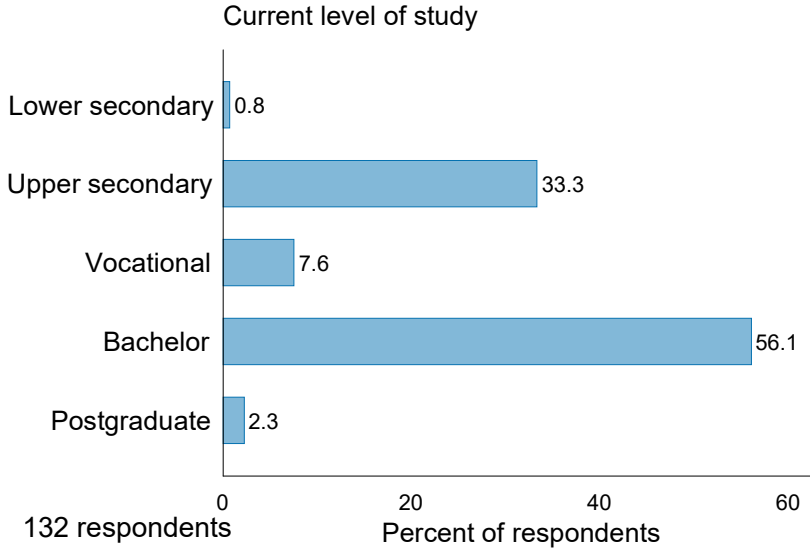
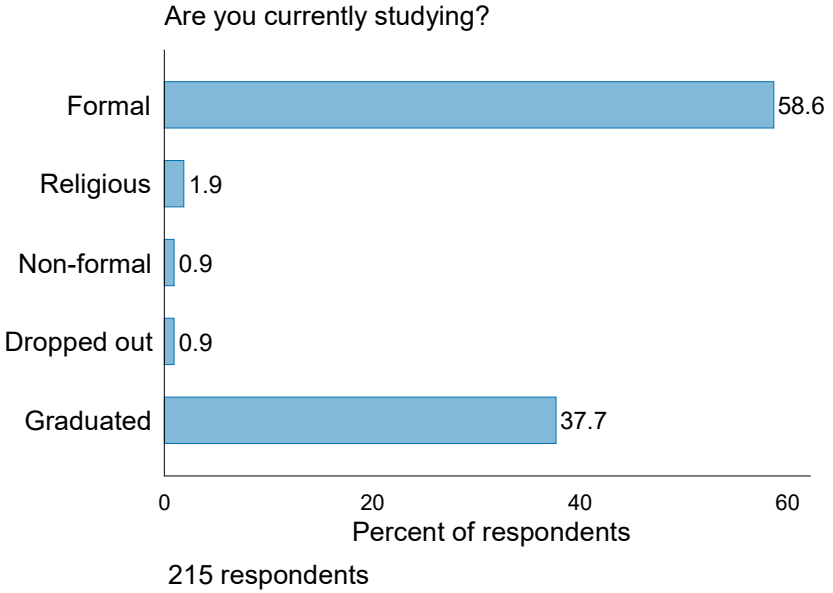
95% were Muslims, but only 35% attended religious services at least a few times a year



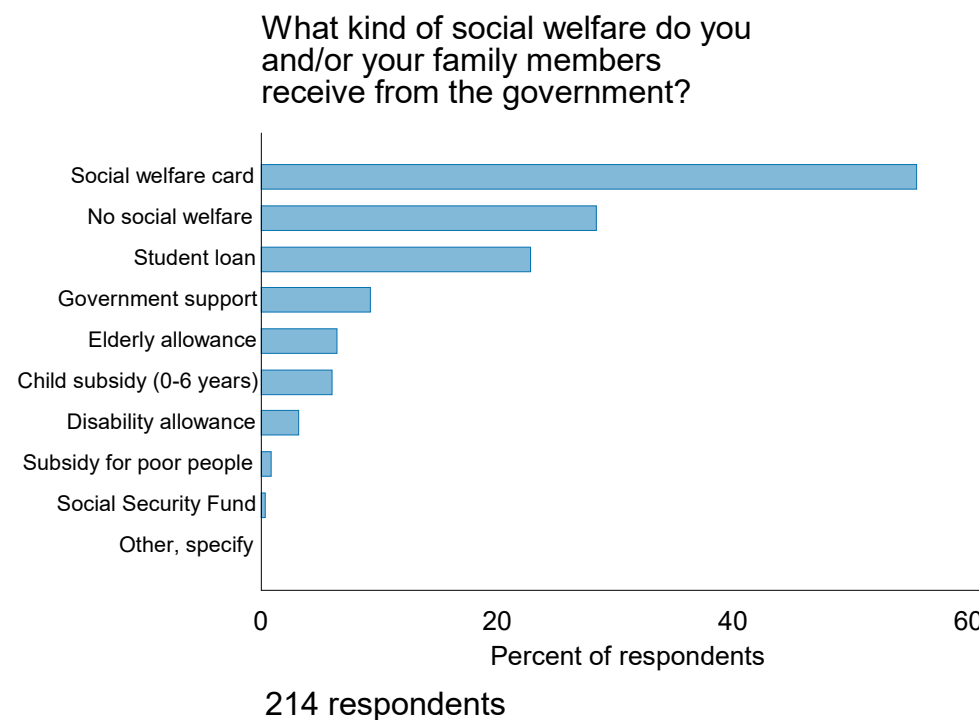
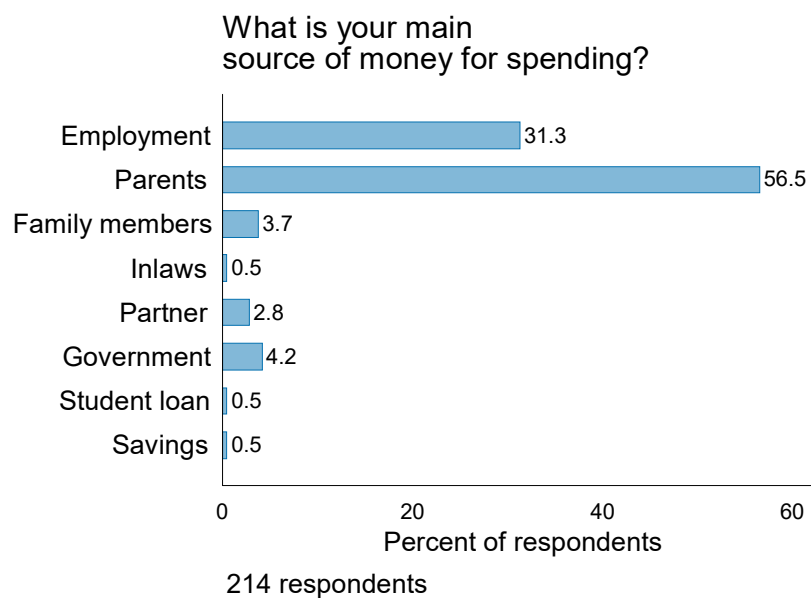
Majority of respondents were not in a relationship and had never been married; mostly living with extended family



Majority of respondents currently studying upper secondary or Bachelor. Others mostly Bachelor graduates.

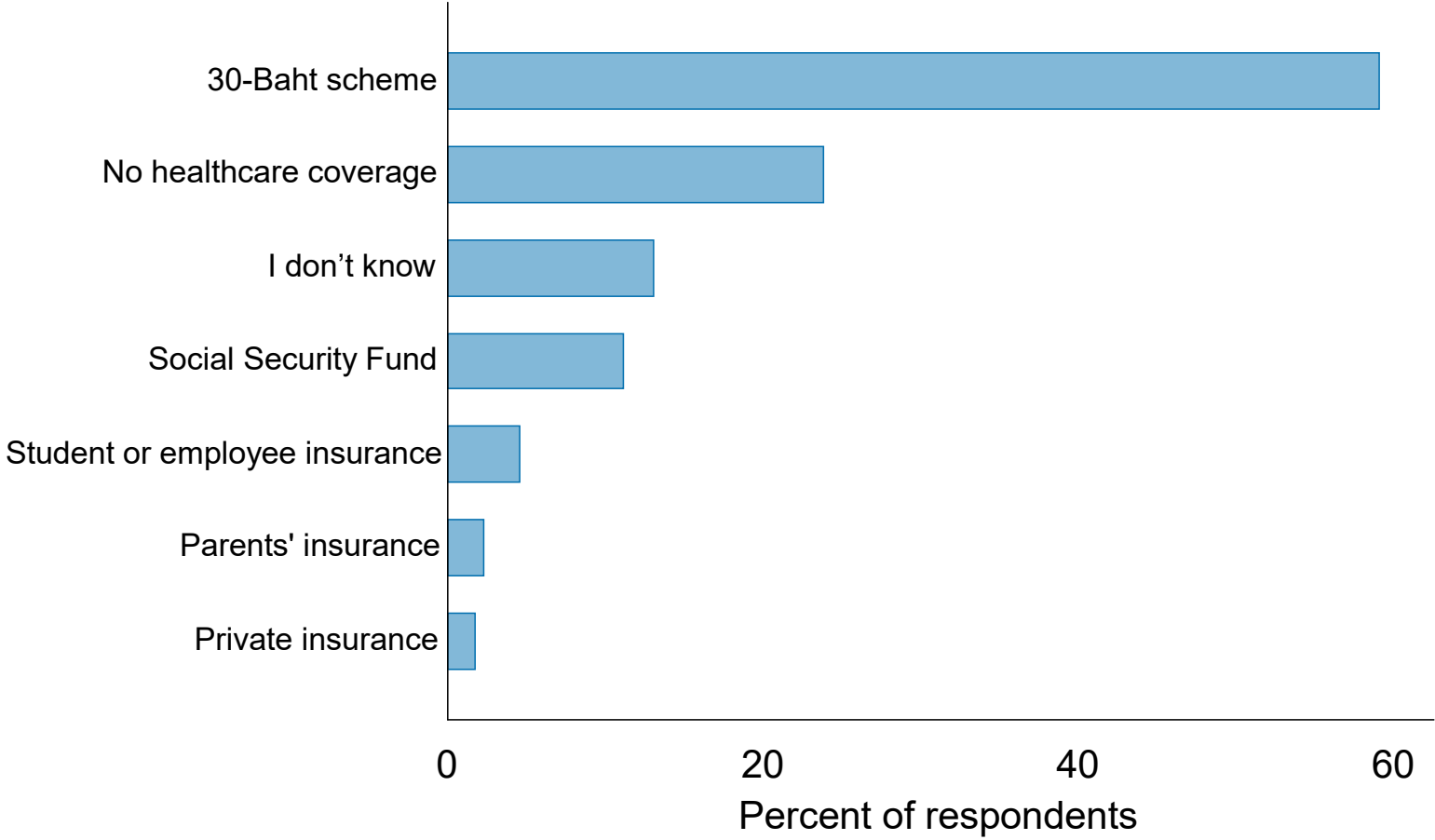


Majority relies on parents or employment. Most have social welfare card.



One quarter has no health insurance.

What kind of healthcare plan are you currently on?

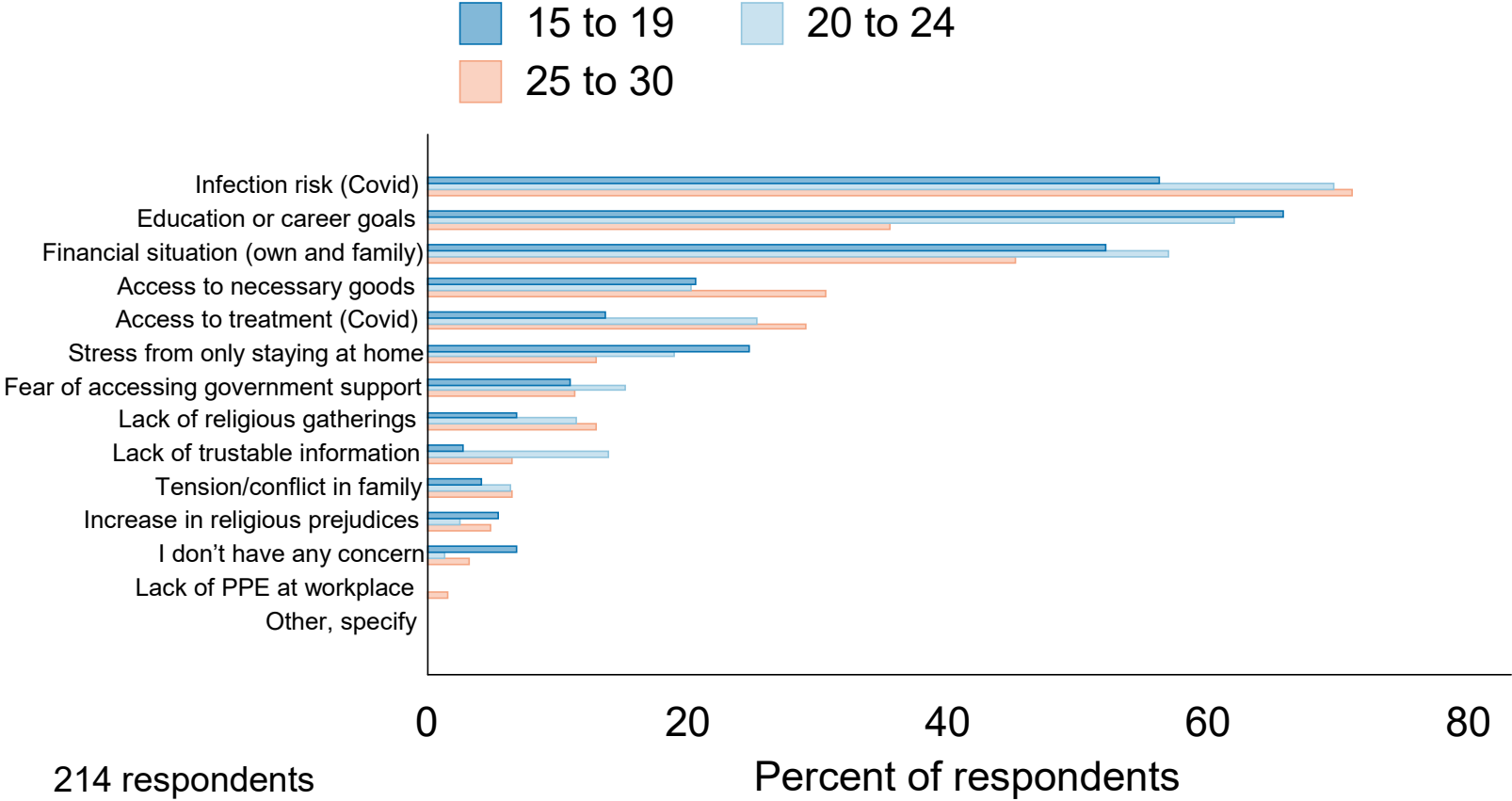


213 respondents

Concerns about Covid-19

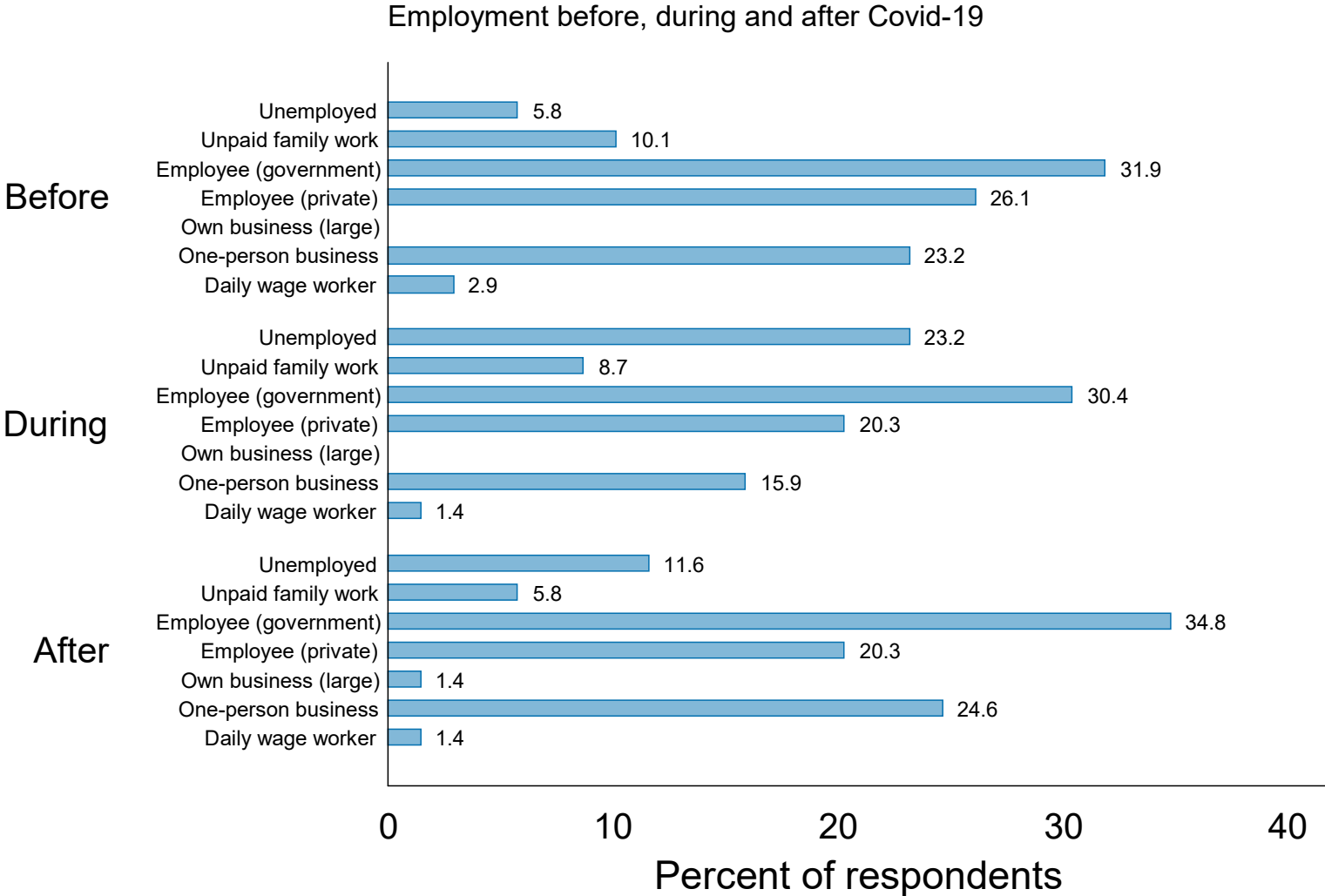
Younger groups more worried about education and financial impact. Older ones more worried about health and treatment.

What are your three most important concerns during the Covid-19 outbreak?



Impact of Covid-19

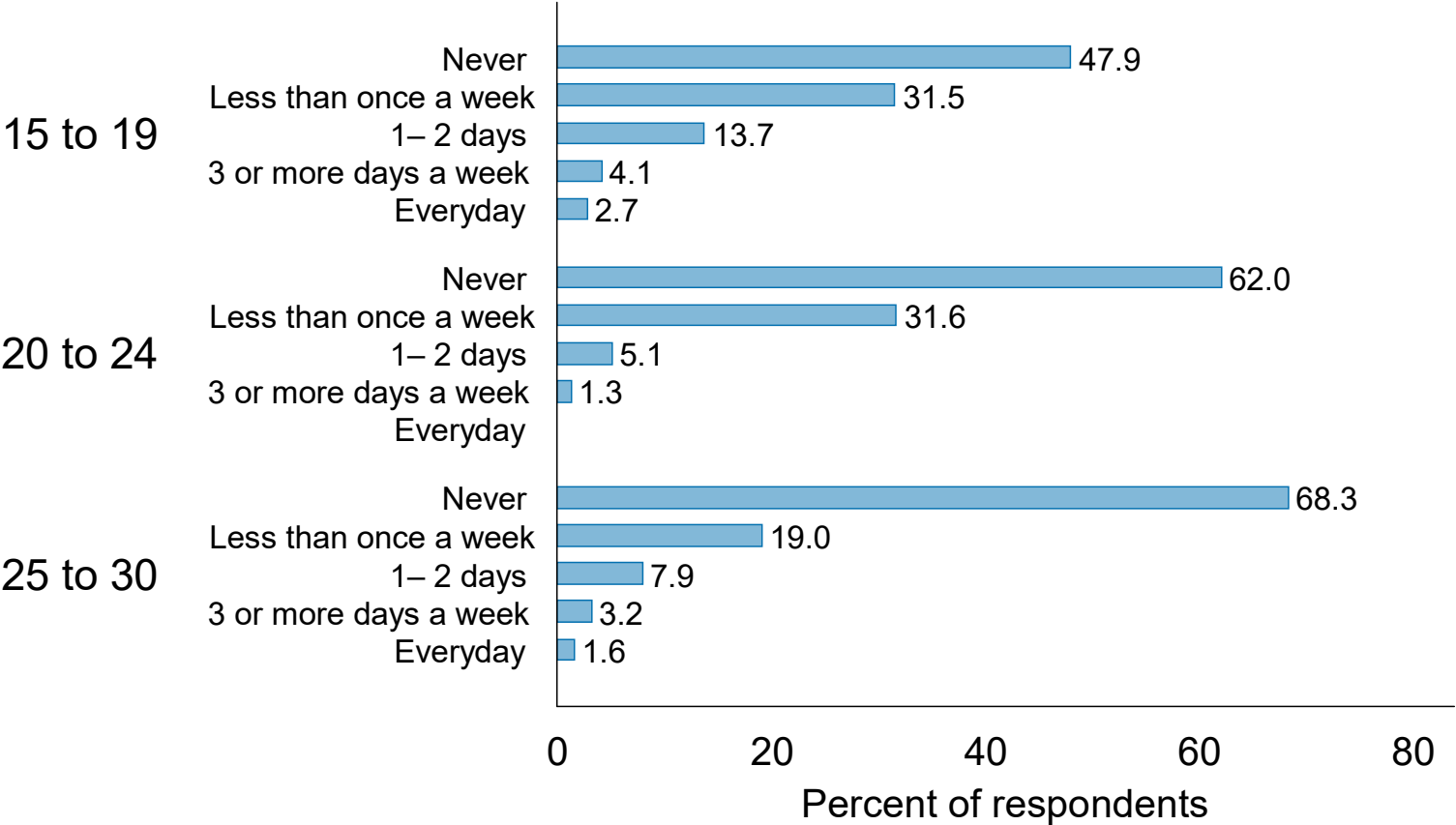
A large share of working youth got unemployed during Covid-19. Private employees and one-person businesses most affected. One-person businesses have quickly recovered.



69 respondents

Many youth were not able to meet their friends during the outbreak, in particular those in older age groups

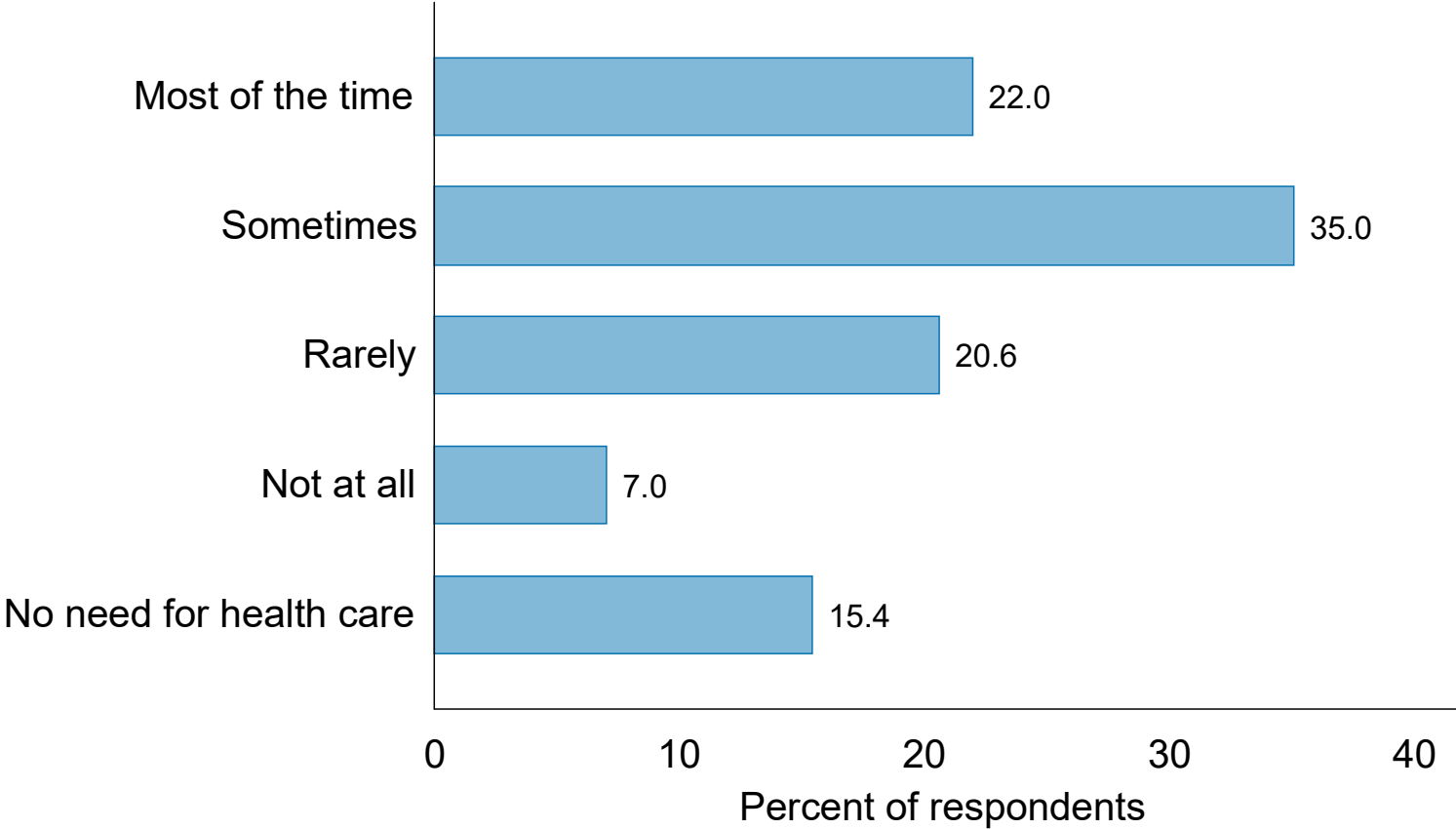
In the past 3-4 months during COVID 19, how often have you met, hung out or spent times with your friends?



215 respondents

More than half experienced problems in accessing health care due to Covid-19 sometimes or most of the time

Have you experienced any problems in accessing health care due to the Covid-19 outbreak?

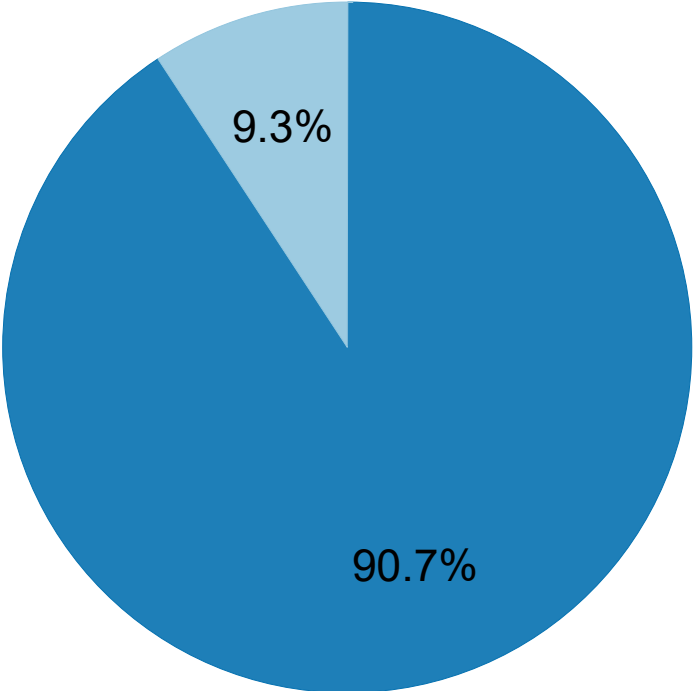


214 respondents

9% had to move during Covid-19

Due to the Covid-19 outbreak, has your living arrangement changed?

■ No ■ Yes

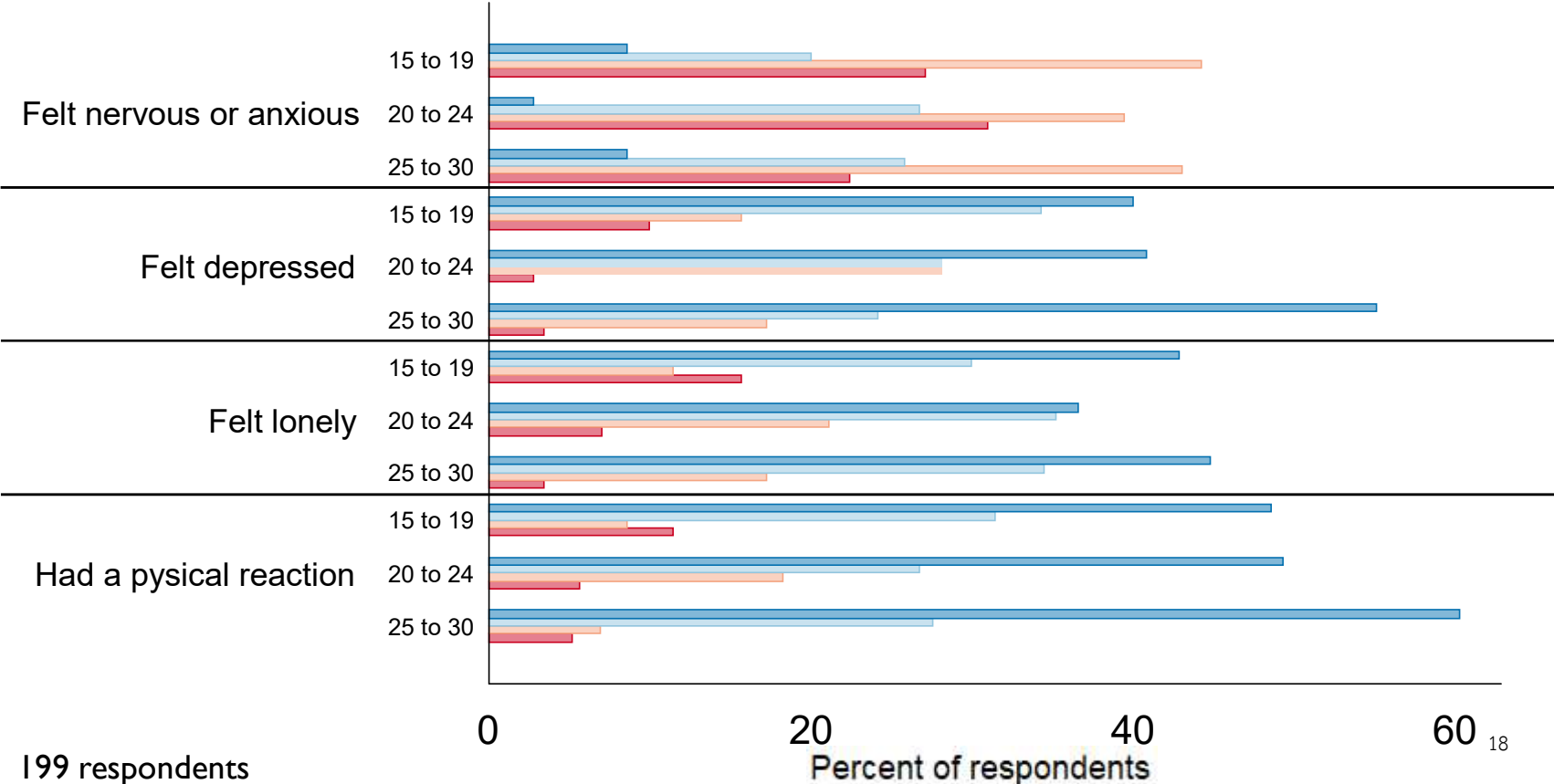


215 respondents

Feeling nervous/anxious was common among all age groups. Feeling depressed or lonely and having physical reactions was slightly more common among teens than older age groups

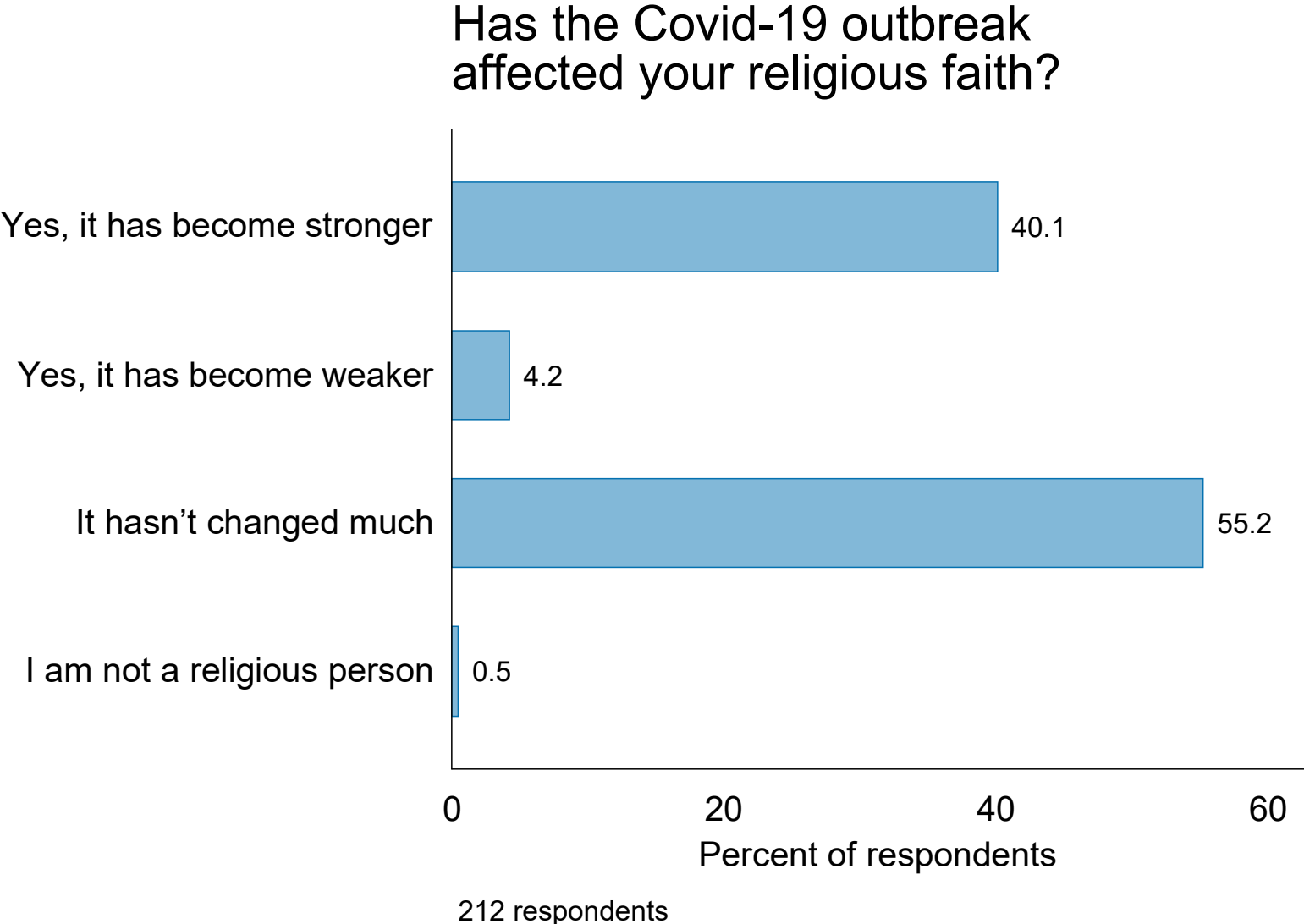
When thinking about the Covid-19 outbreak in the past seven days, have you had any of the following problems?

- Rarely or not at all
- Occasionally (1-2 days)
- Occasionally (3-4 days)
- Almost every day (5-7 days)

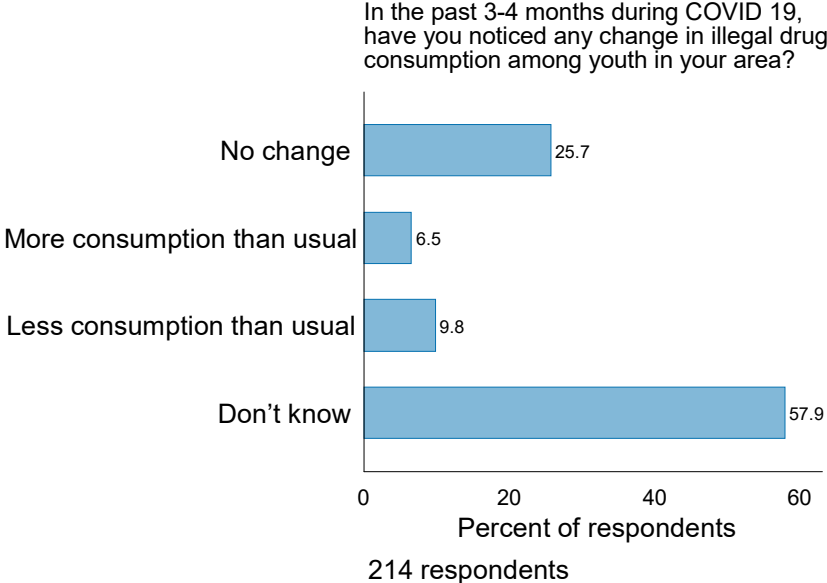
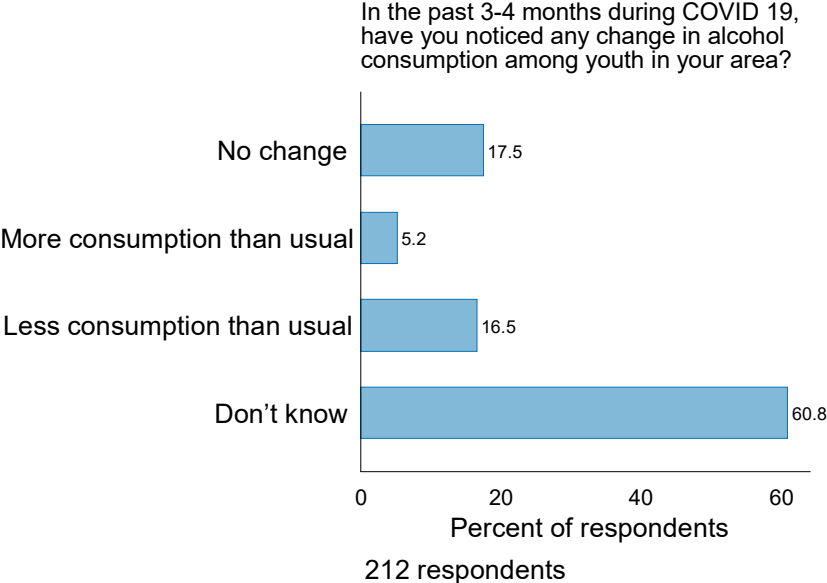


199 respondents

Among those who belong to a religion, 40% reported that the Covid-19 outbreak made their faith stronger, while it didn't change for 55%

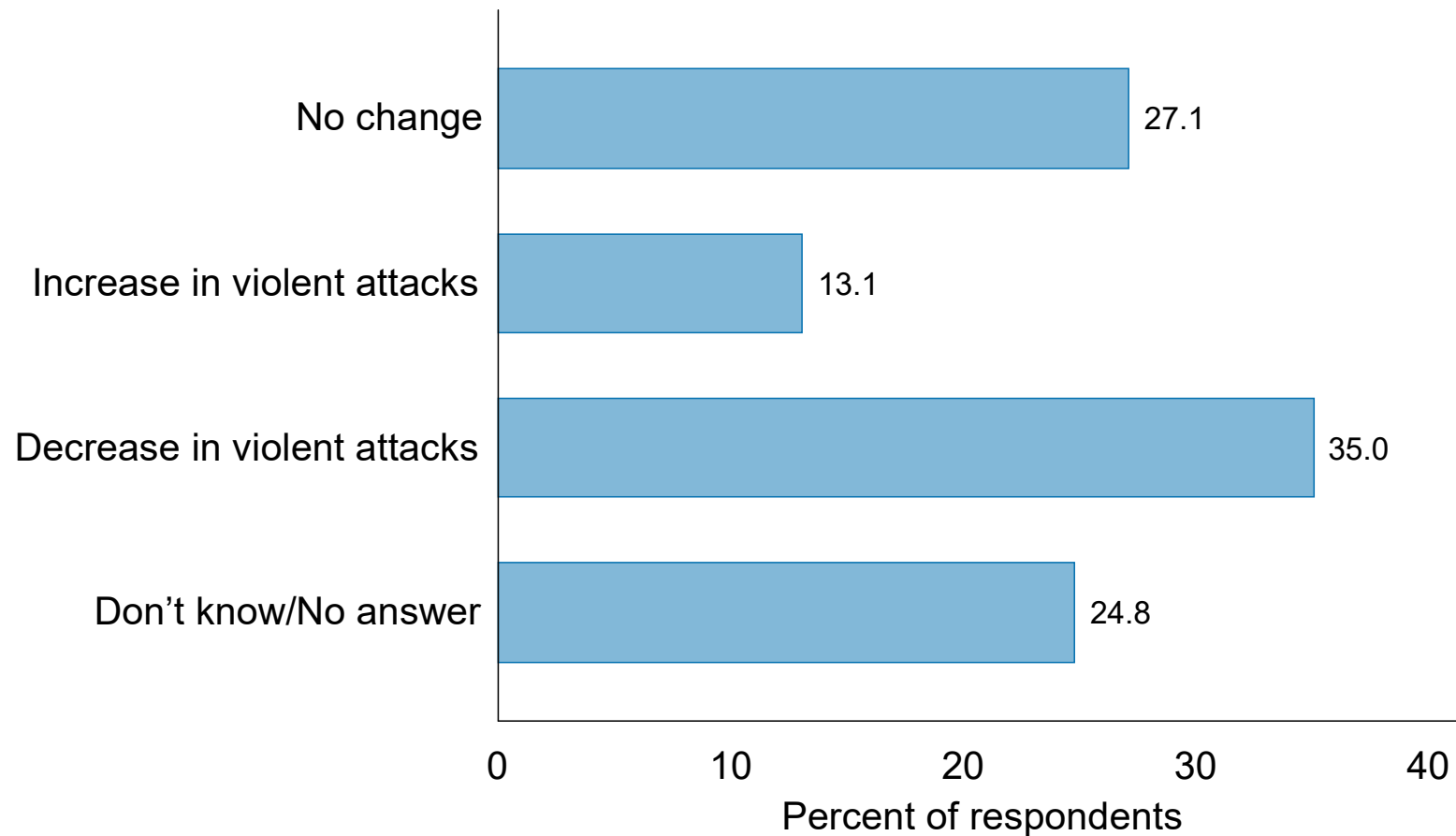


No change or reduction in alcohol consumption among local youth reported by most respondents who were able to answer that question



A relatively large share of youth noticed a decrease in insurgent activities during the Covid-19 outbreak

Have you noticed any change in insurgent activities during the Covid-19 outbreak?

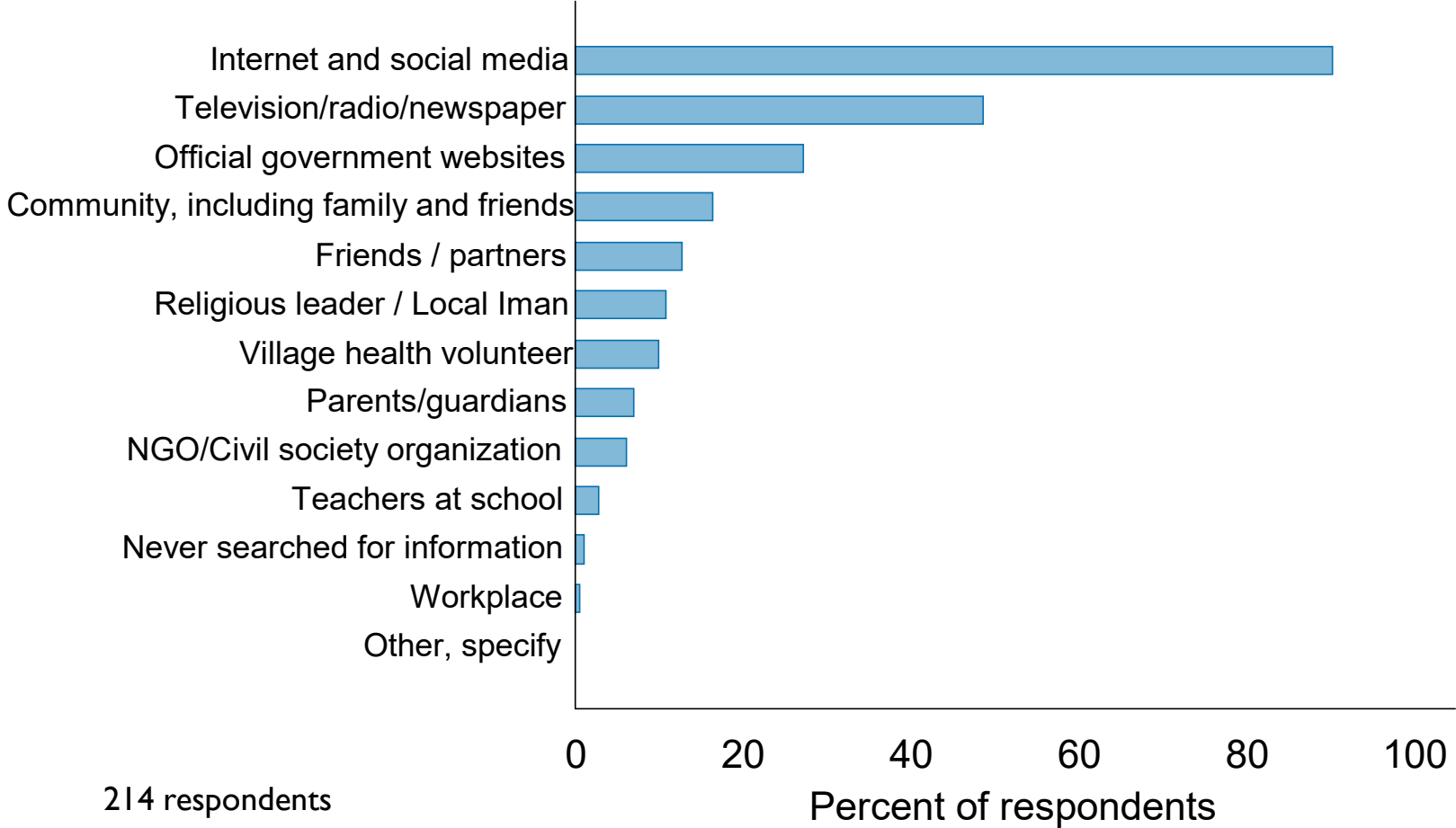


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Response to Covid-19

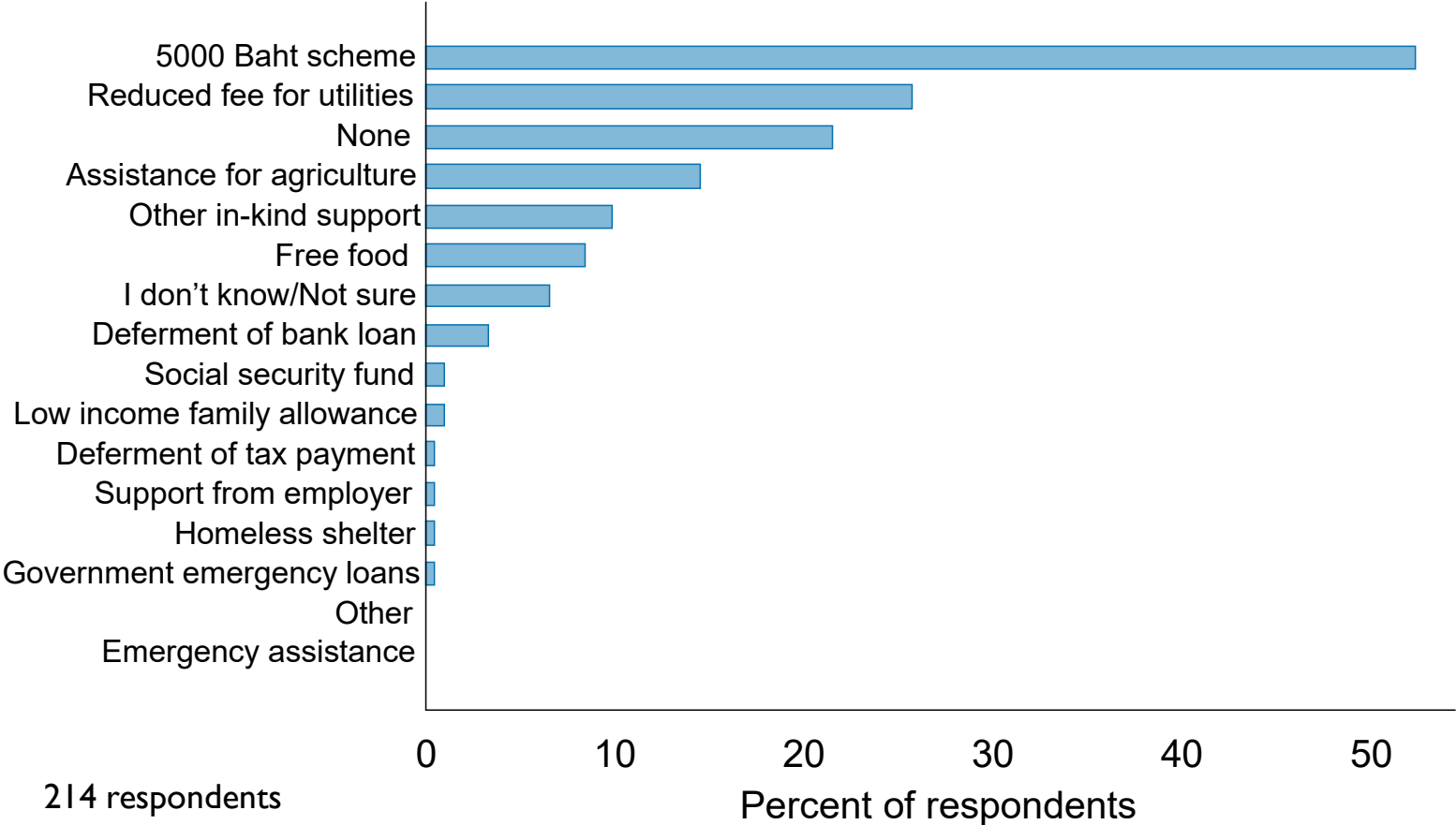
Majority received Covid-19-related information through online channels

What are the sources of information from which you have received most information about COVID-19?



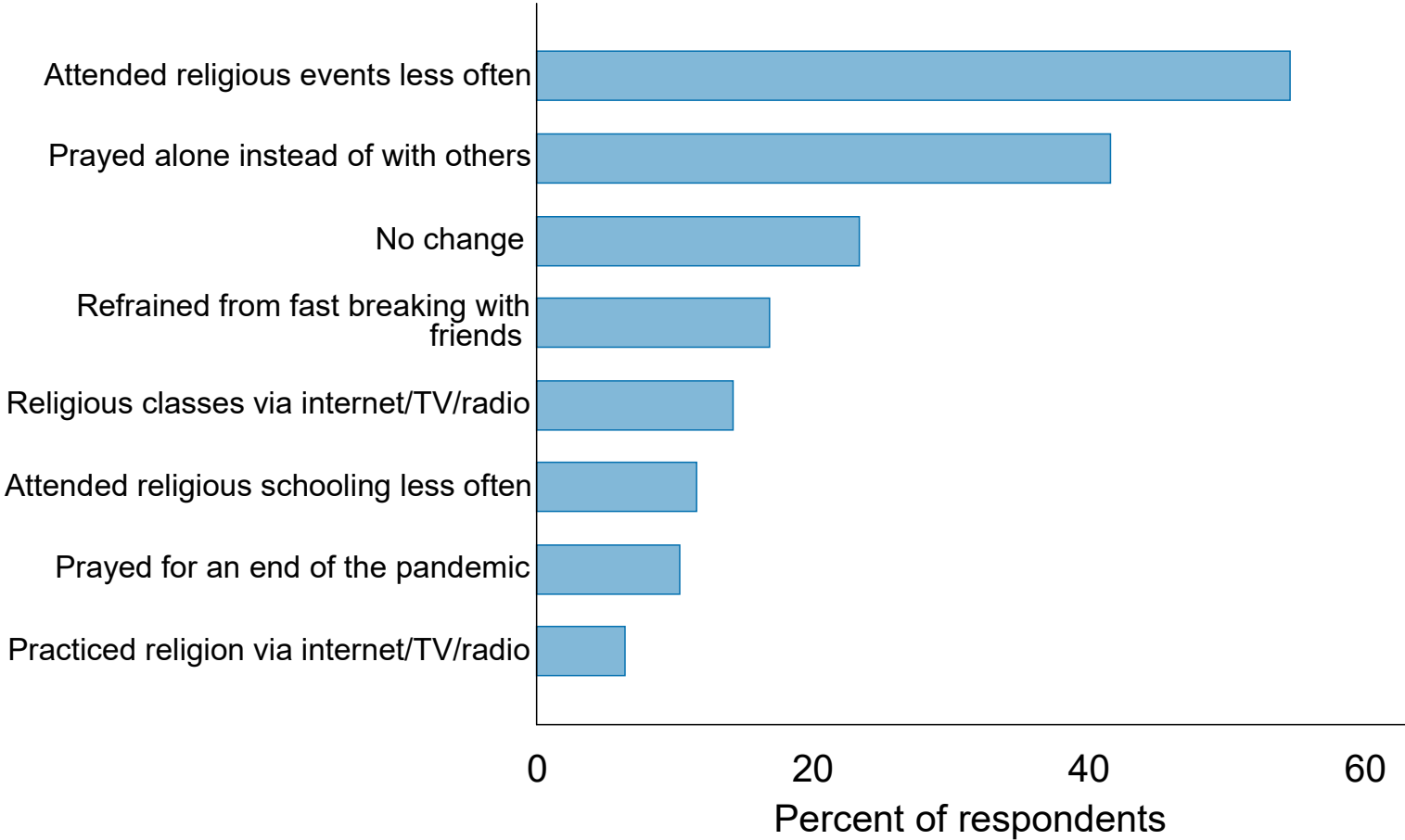
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Have you or your family received financial or social support during the outbreak?



Among those who attended religious services at least a few times a year before Covid-19, a majority reduced their attendance in religious events or group prayers

Did your religious habits change during the Covid-19 outbreak?



77 respondents

Summary of key findings

Concerns about Covid-19

- Youth from the South were mostly concerned about the risk of Covid-19 infection as well as the impact of Covid-19 on their education and financial situation.
- Younger youth were more worried about their education and financial situation as well as stress from having to stay at home. Their older peers were more concerned about the infection risk, access to treatment and access to necessary goods during the lockdown.

Summary of key findings

Impact of Covid-19

- A large share of working youth from the South got unemployed during Covid-19. Private employees and one-person businesses were most affected. One-person businesses have quickly recovered since the easing of the lockdown.
- More than half of youth experienced problems in accessing health care sometimes or most of the time during the Covid-19 lockdown.
- Many youth were not able to meet their friends during the outbreak, in particular those in older age groups.
- Feeling nervous/anxious was common among all age groups. Feeling depressed or lonely and having physical reactions was more common among teens.
- 9% of youth had to change their living arrangement due to the lockdown.
- No change or reduction in alcohol consumption among local youth reported by most respondents who were able to answer that question.
- A relatively large share of youth noticed a decrease in insurgent activities during the Covid-19 outbreak.
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