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Abstract

Influence of mother's working situation on daughters' views on career benefits of learning mathematics and on their own math abilities. Based on data from PISA2012, s survey which tested 15-year-olds in reading, mathematics and science focusing on mathematics in 2012.

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CONTEXT

A new working paper by Kathleen McGinn and her colleagues for Harvard Business School purports that working mothers are more likely to raise successful daughters.

"THERE ARE VERY FEW THINGS...THAT HAVE SUCH A CLEAR EFFECT ON GENDER INEQUALITY AS BEING RAISED BY A WORKING MOTHER."

Kathleen L. McGinn, the Cahners-Rabb Professor of Business Administration at Harvard Business School

ANALYSIS

We picked girls' responses to two specific questions and looked at it from a perspective of their mothers' working situation. Mother's working situation could be defined as one of the following: working full time (for pay), working part time (for pay), not working, but looking for a job or other (e.g. home duties). The two chosen questions were statements to which the girls needed to state to what extent they apply to them. Response scale had 4 following levels: strongly agree, agree, disagree, strongly disagree. First statement concerned the feeling about the usefullness of mathematics in their future career and read: "Learning mathematics is worthwhile for me because it will improve my career". The second was about the level of confidence the girls have in their own math abilities: "If I wanted to, I could do well in mathematics". An interesting result was that the group who tend to have the most different results are girls whose mothers work part-time.

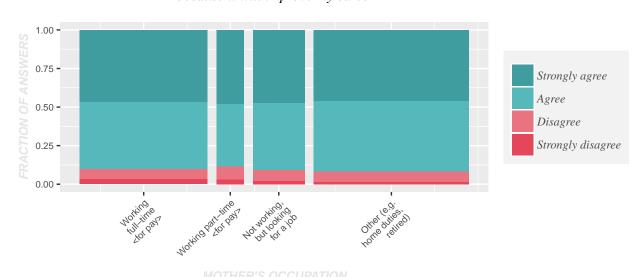
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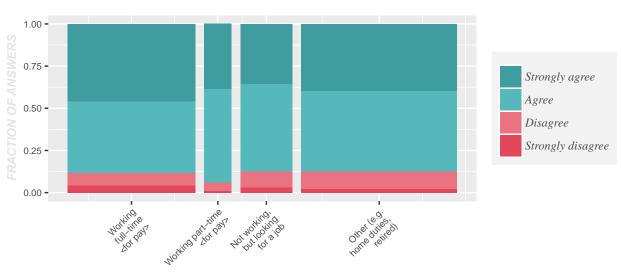
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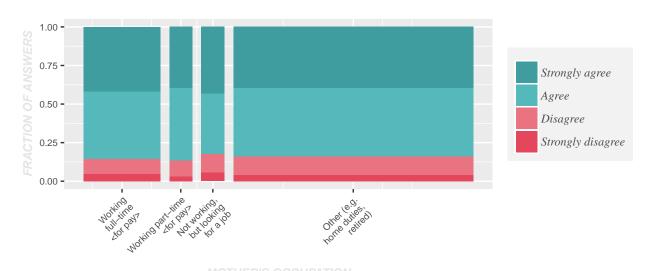
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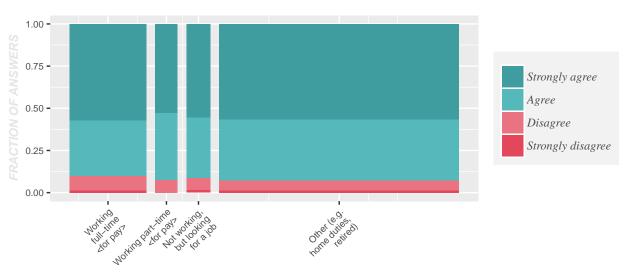
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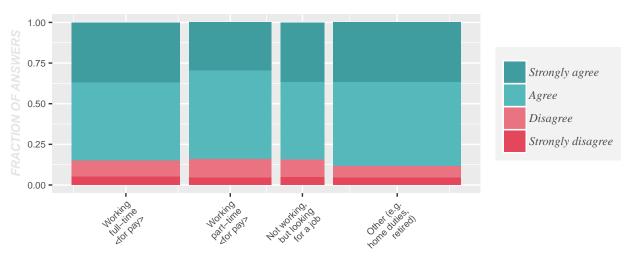
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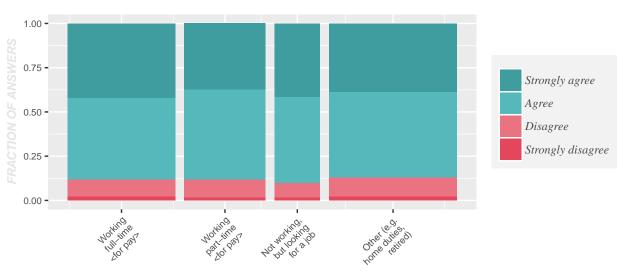
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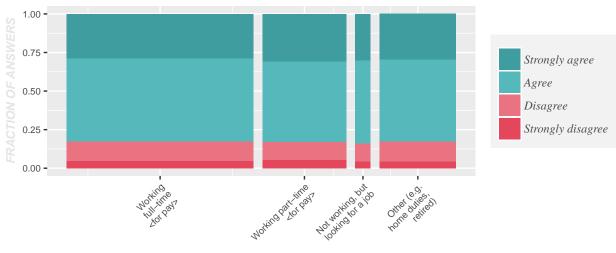
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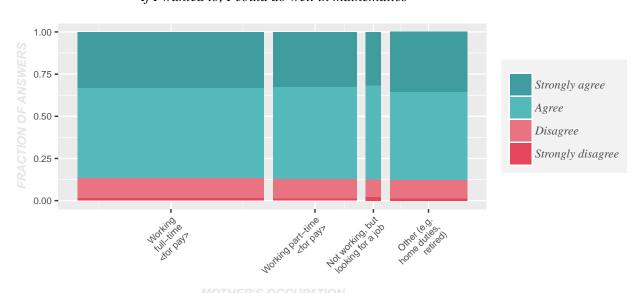
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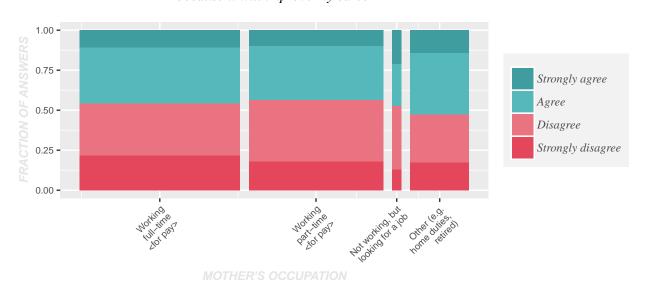


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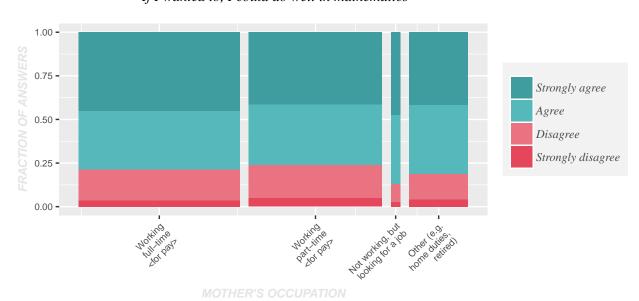
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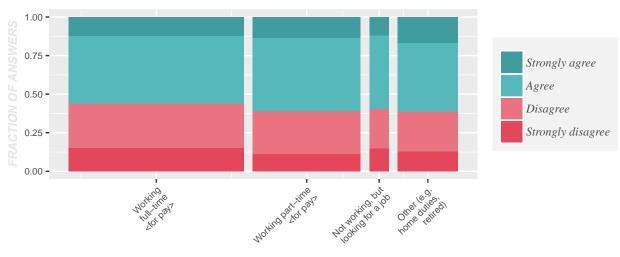
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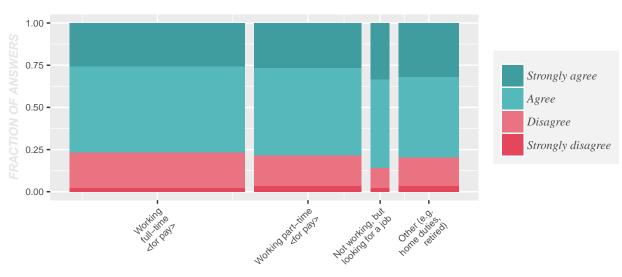
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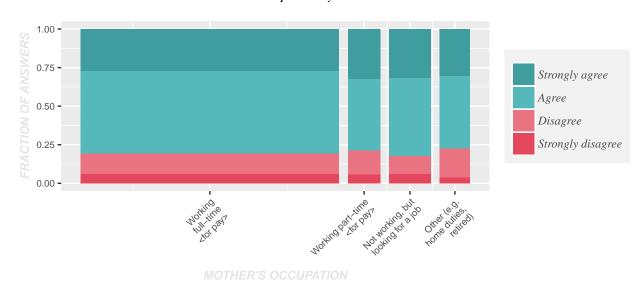
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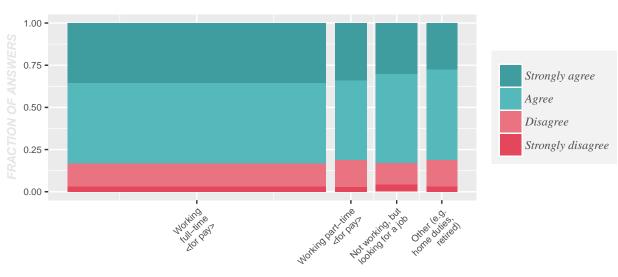
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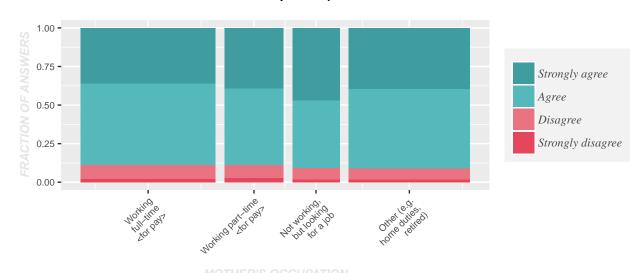
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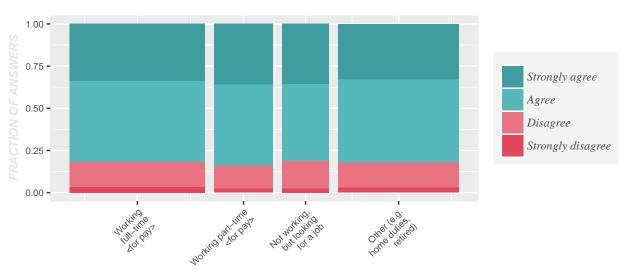
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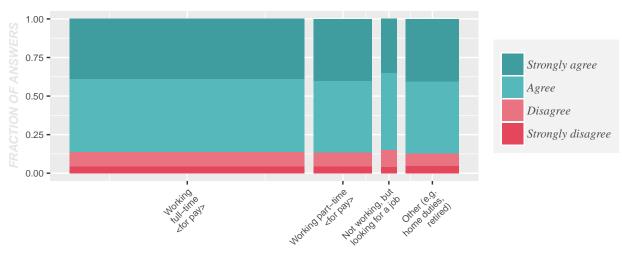
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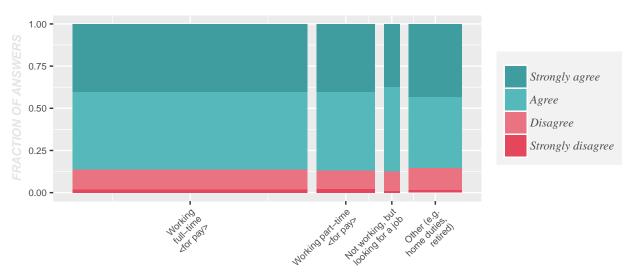
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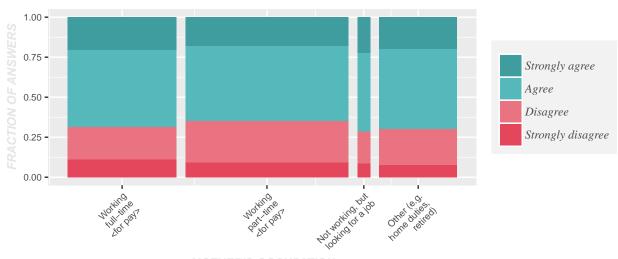
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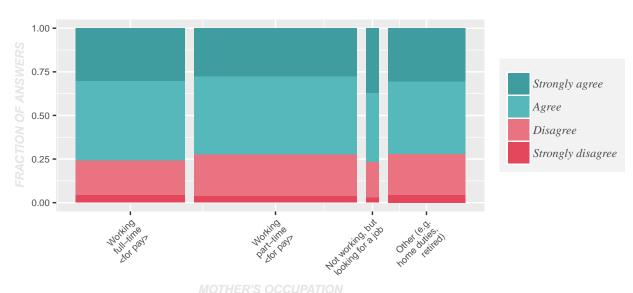
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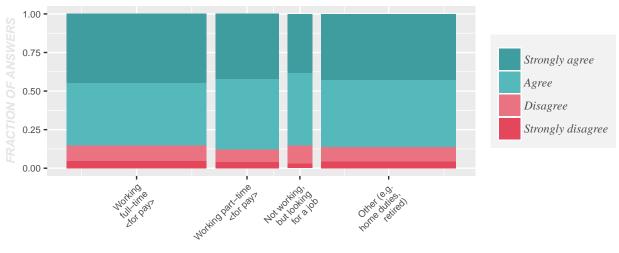


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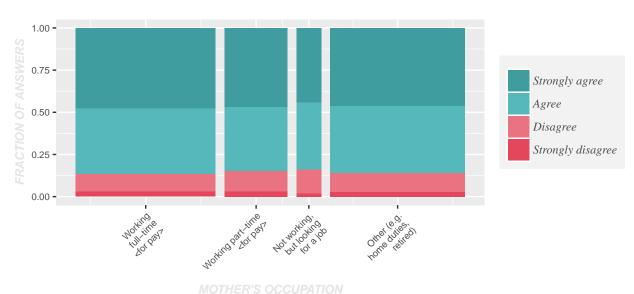
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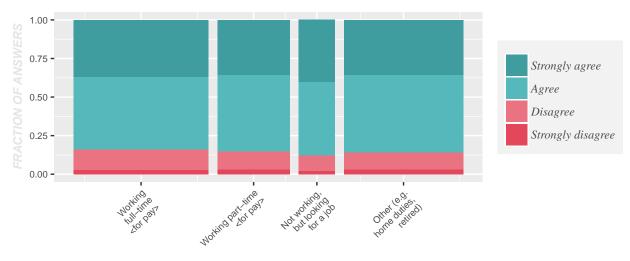


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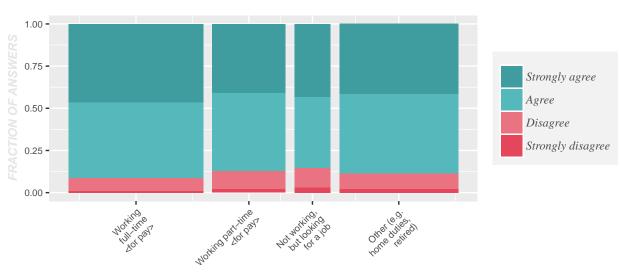
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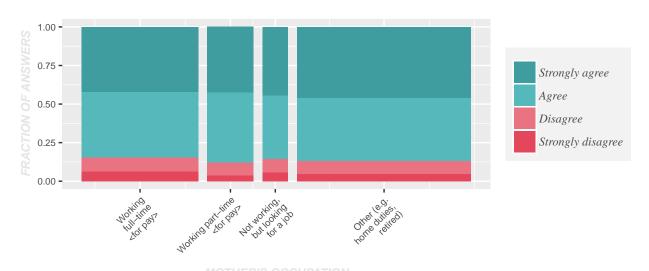
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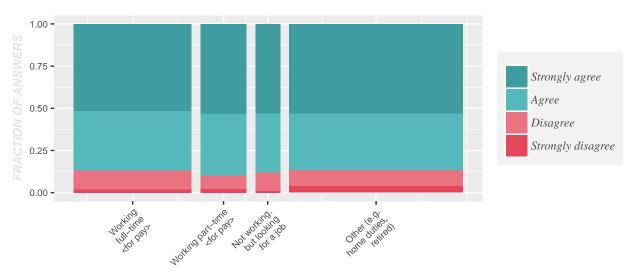
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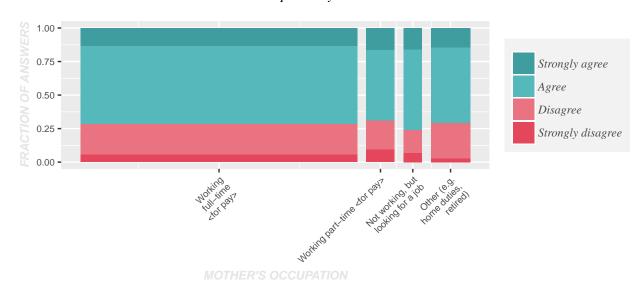
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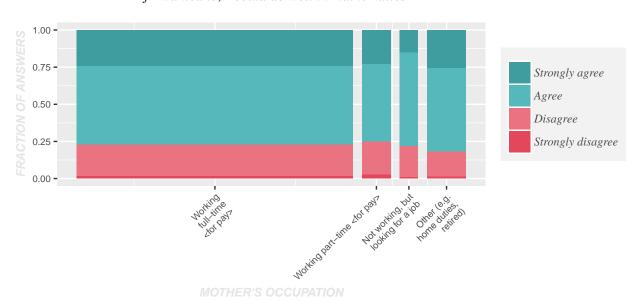
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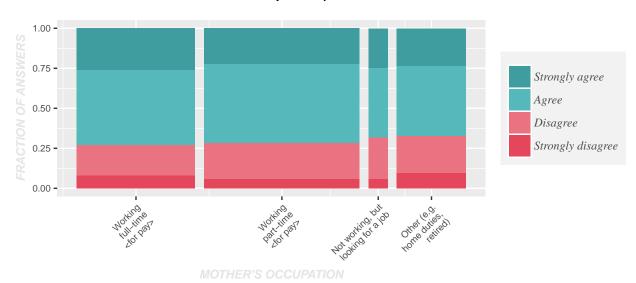


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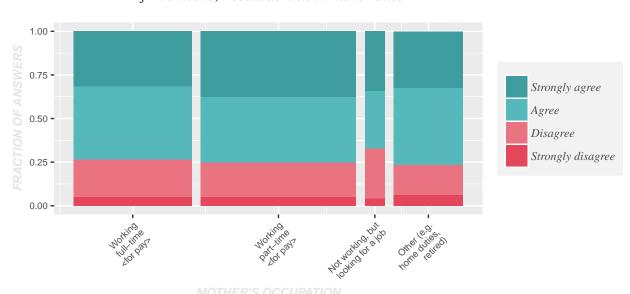
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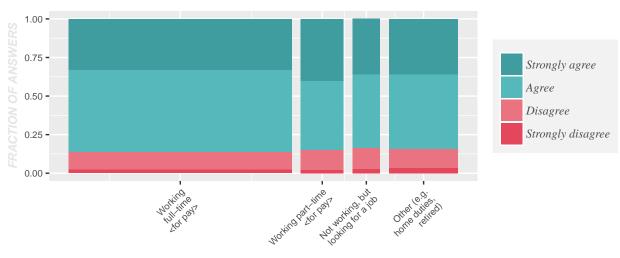


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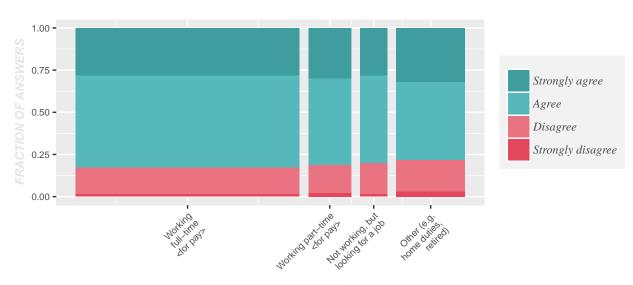
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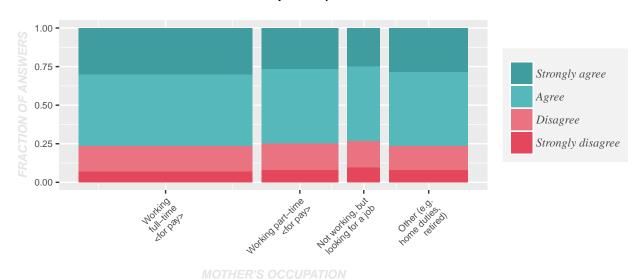
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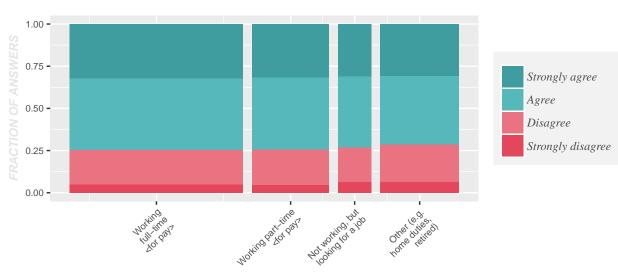
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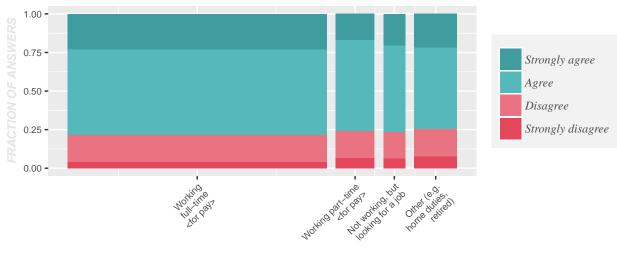
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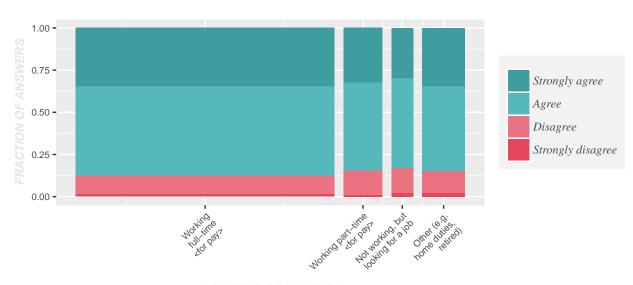
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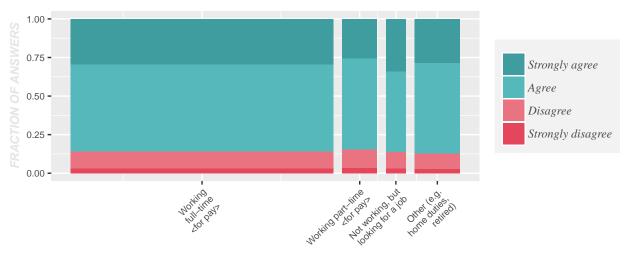
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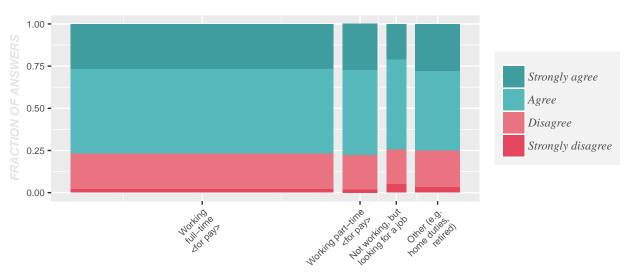
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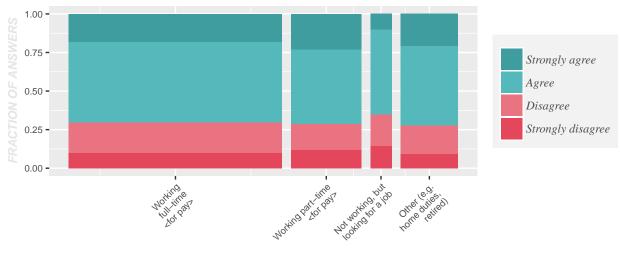
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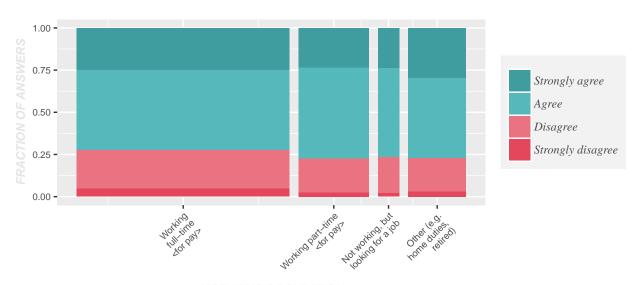
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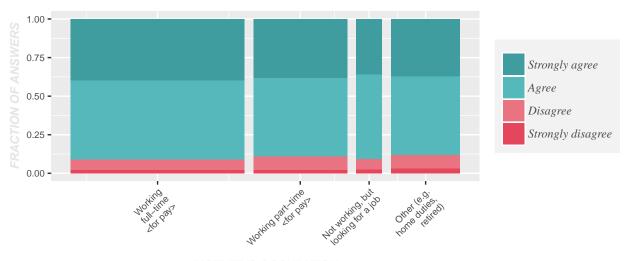
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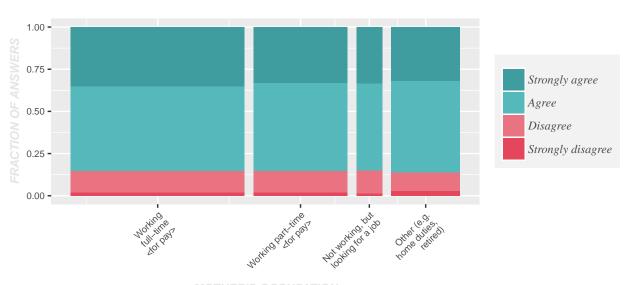
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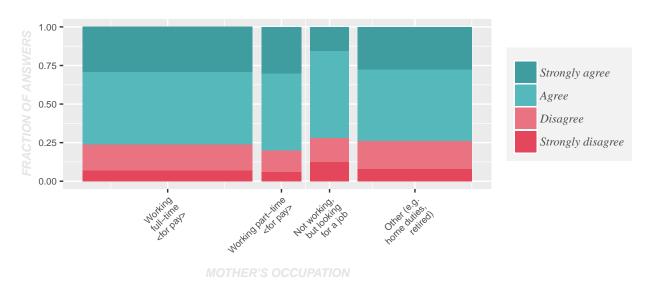
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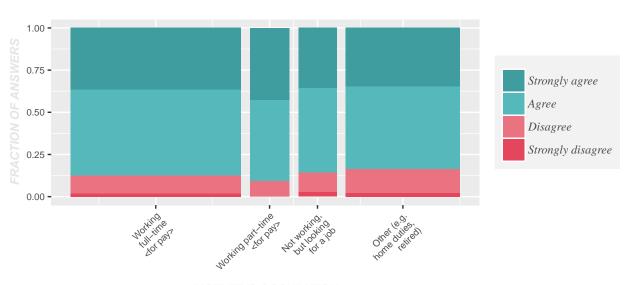
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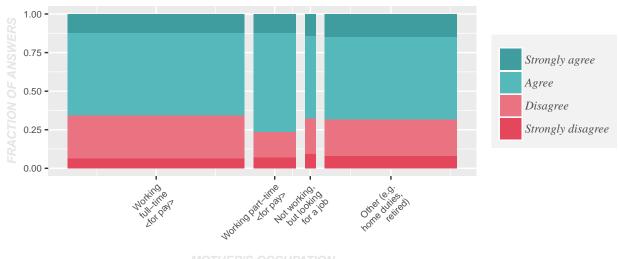


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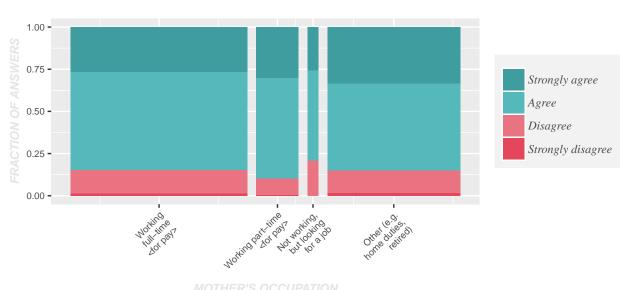
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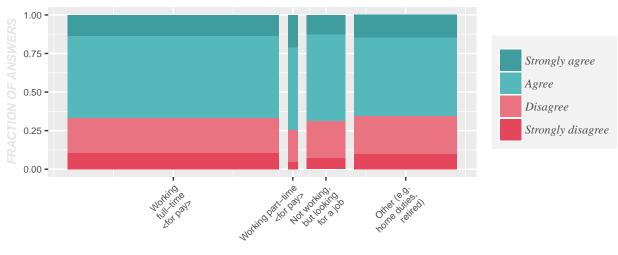
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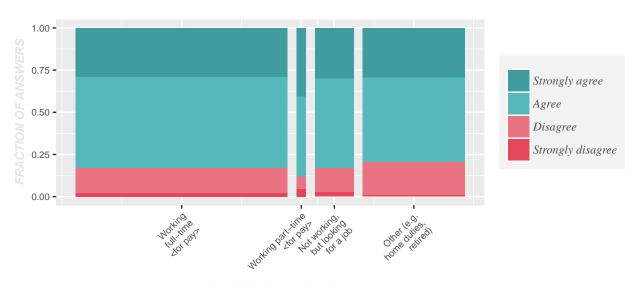
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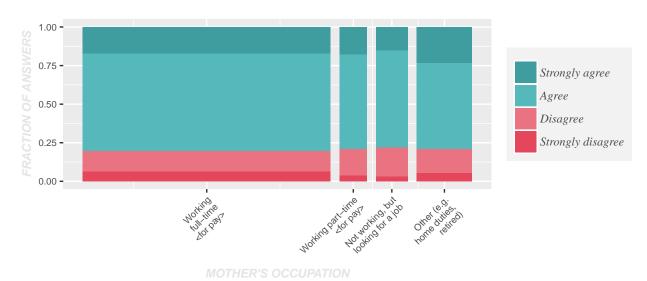
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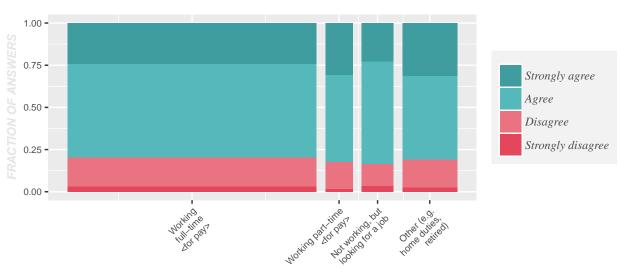
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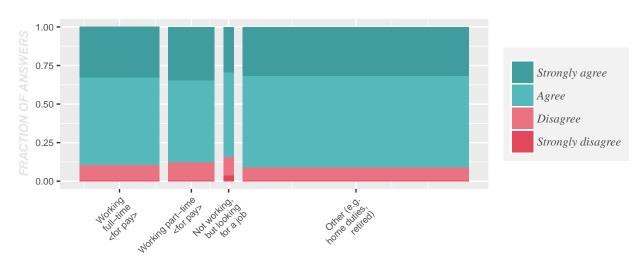
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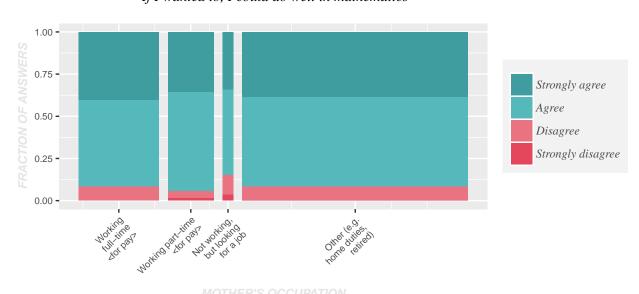
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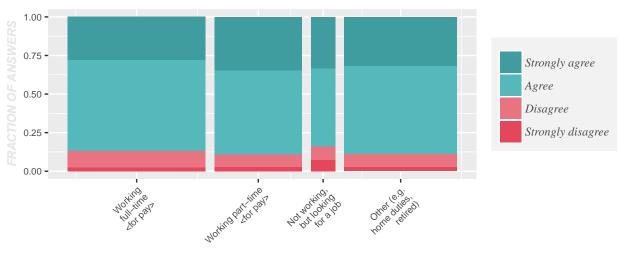


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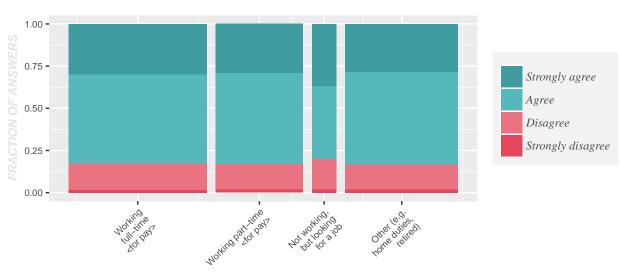
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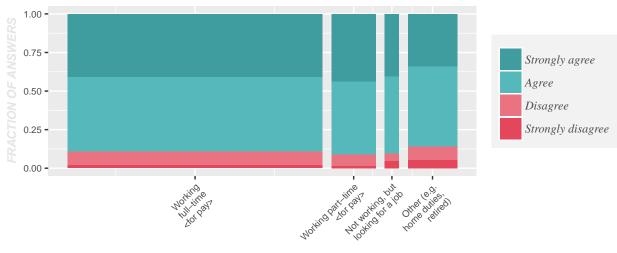
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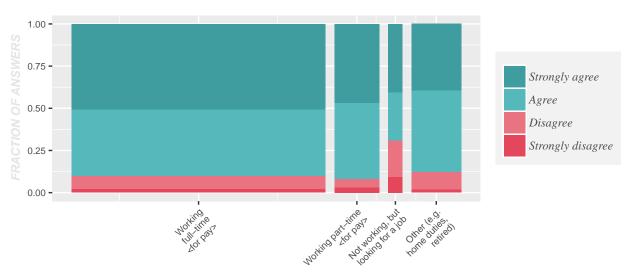
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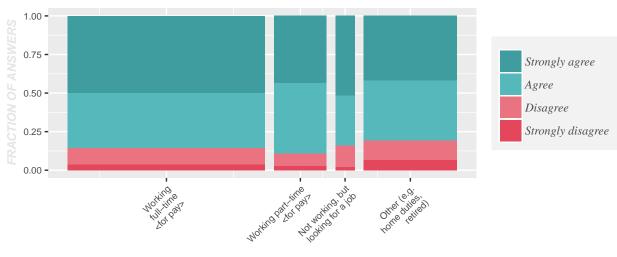
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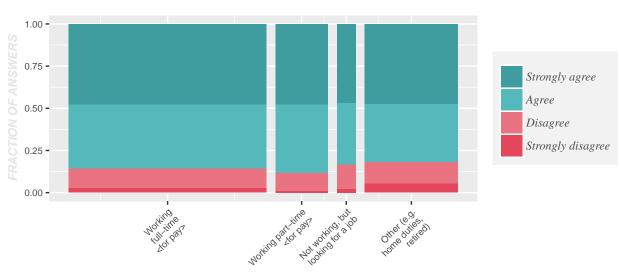
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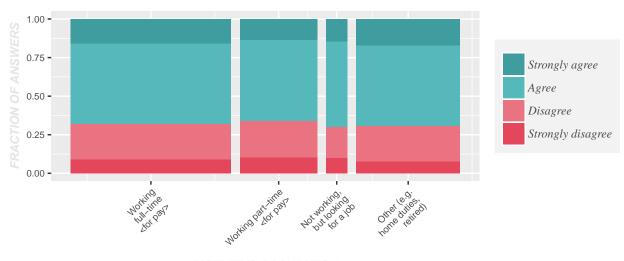
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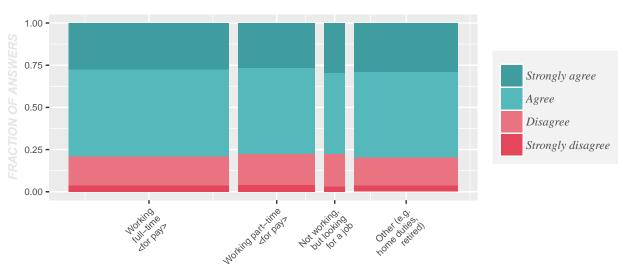
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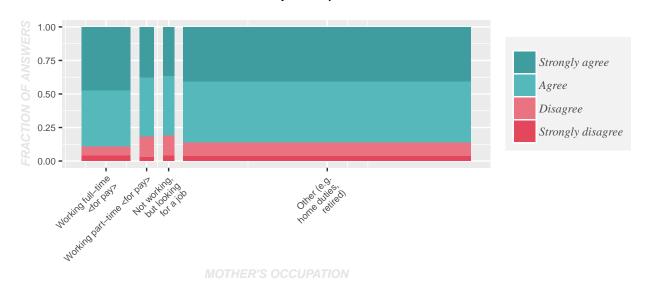
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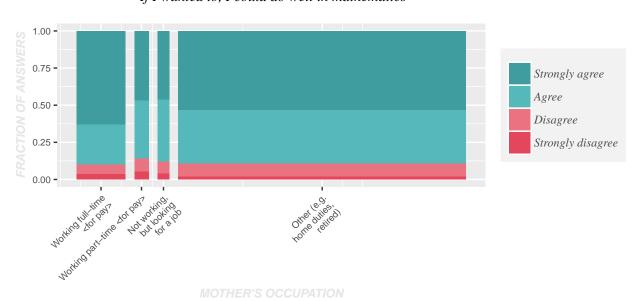
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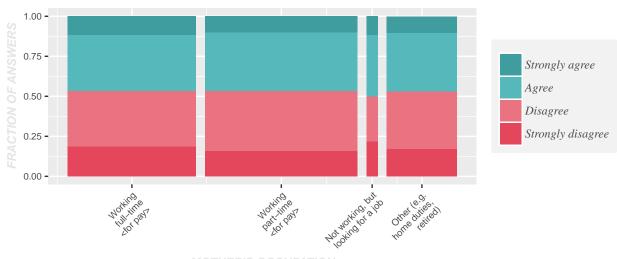


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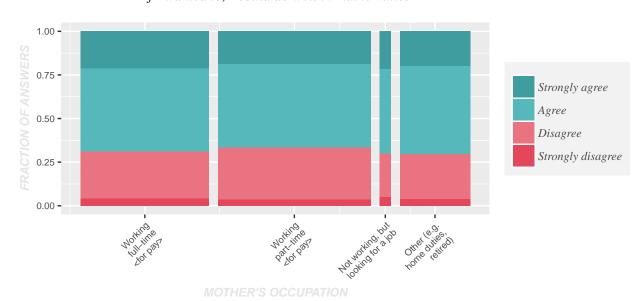
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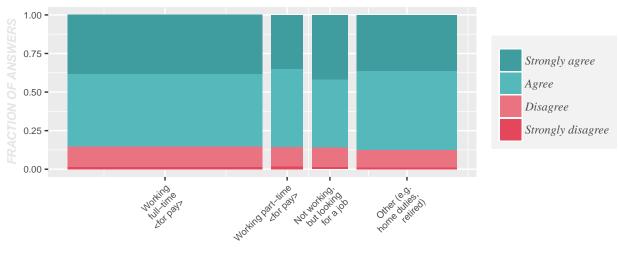


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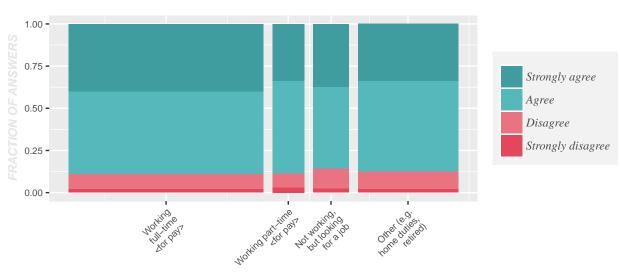
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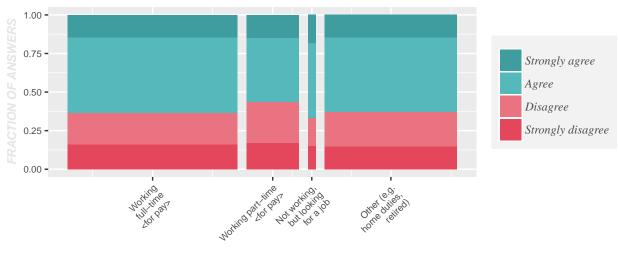
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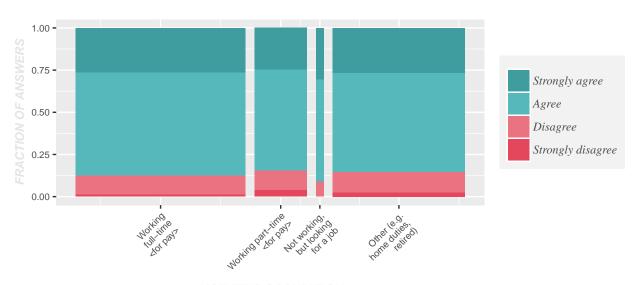
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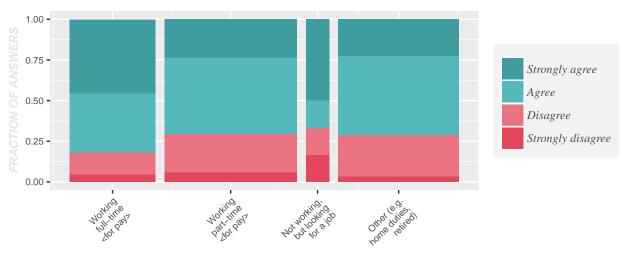
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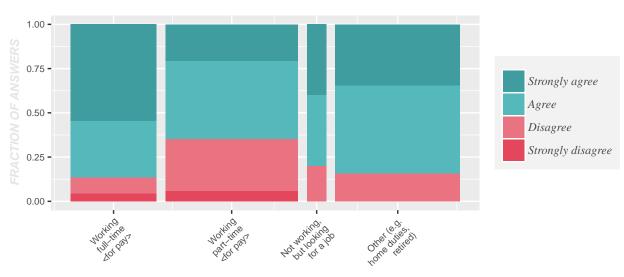
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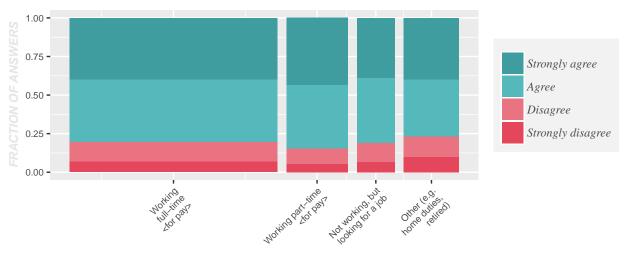
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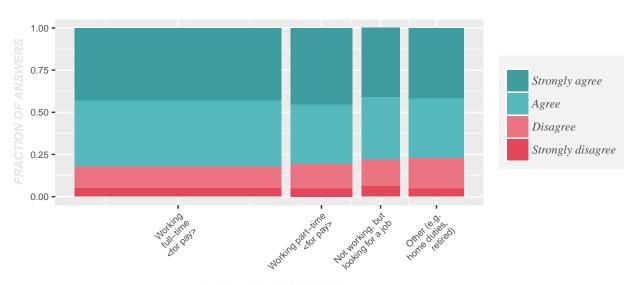
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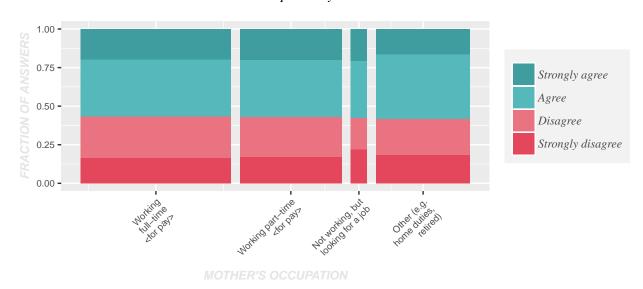
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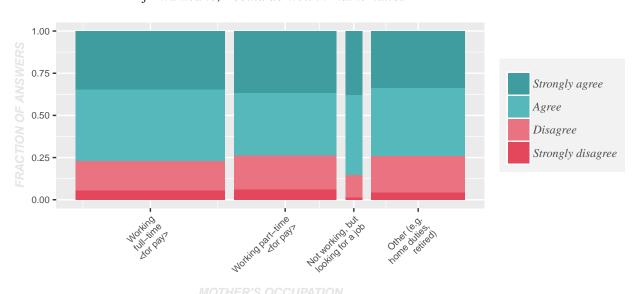
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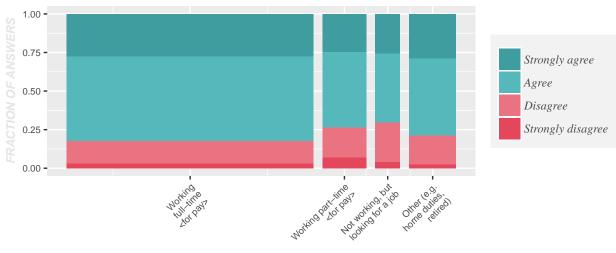


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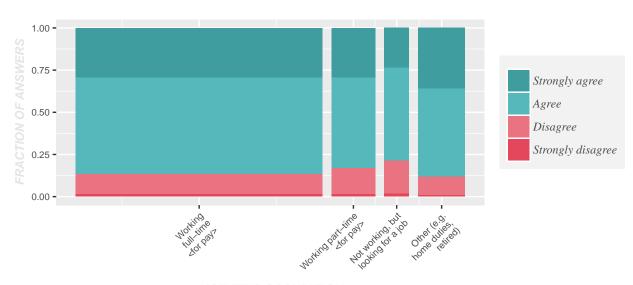
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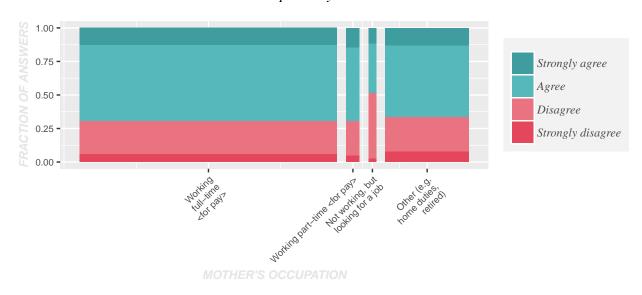
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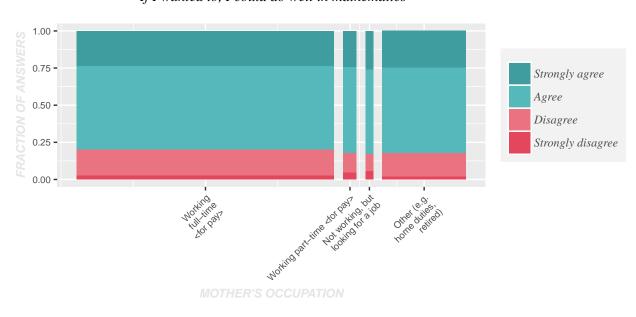
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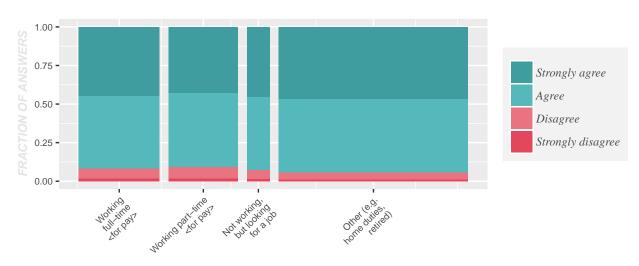


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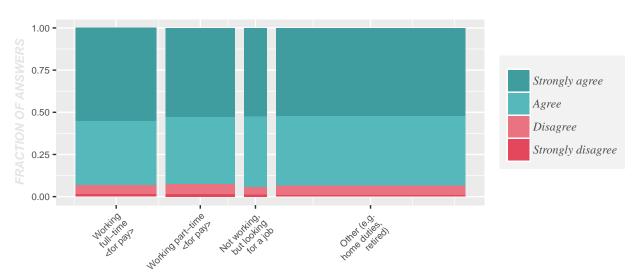
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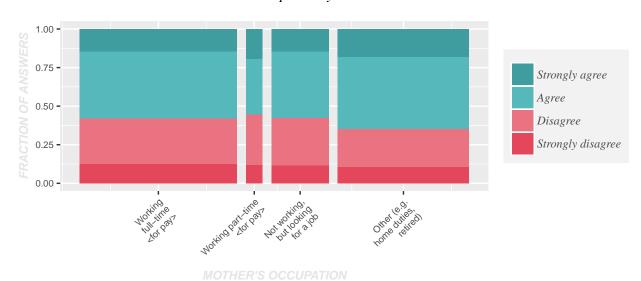
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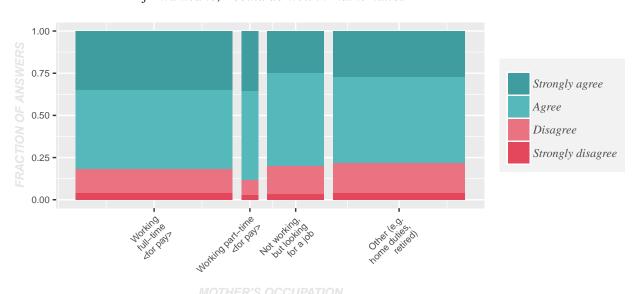
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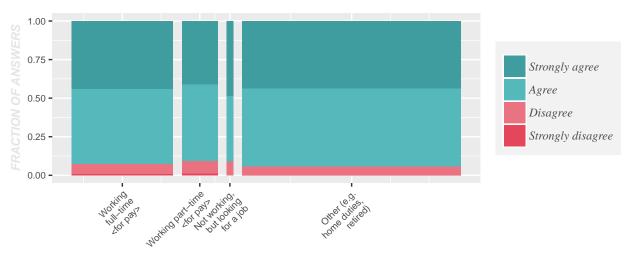


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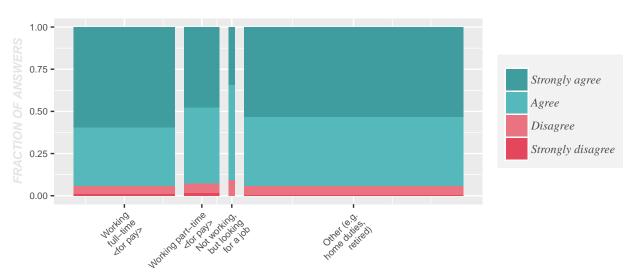
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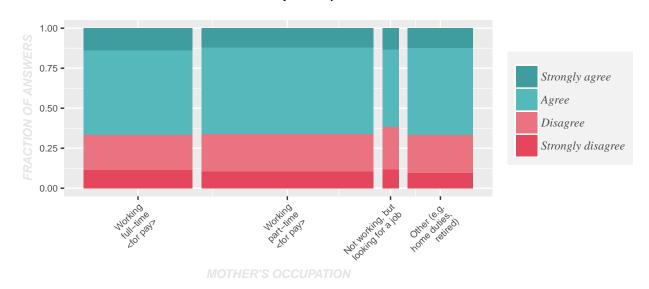
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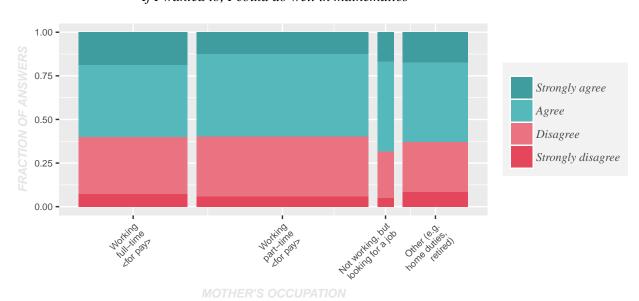
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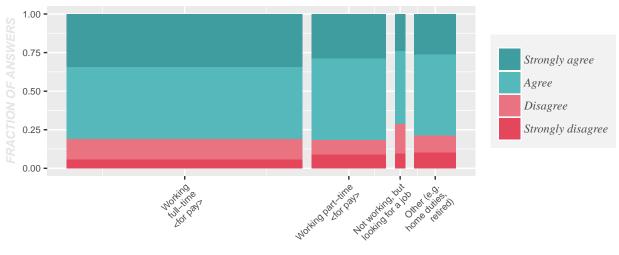


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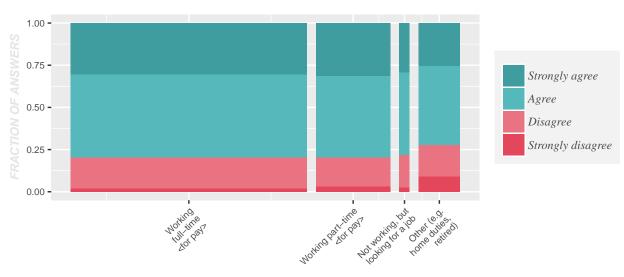
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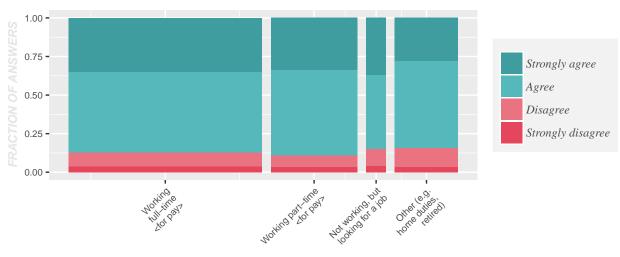
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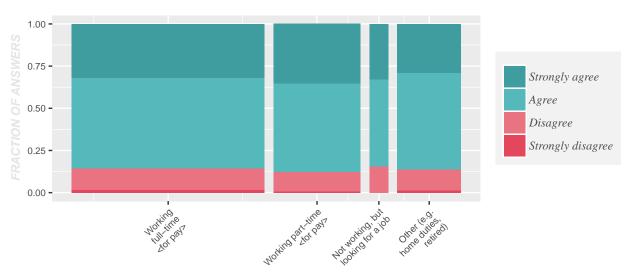
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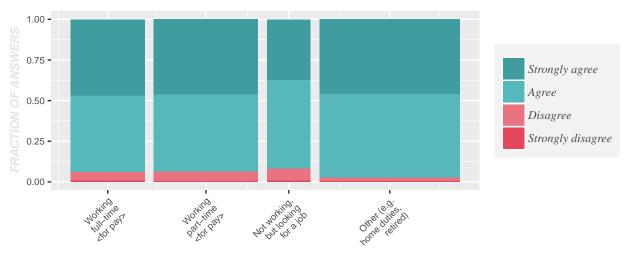
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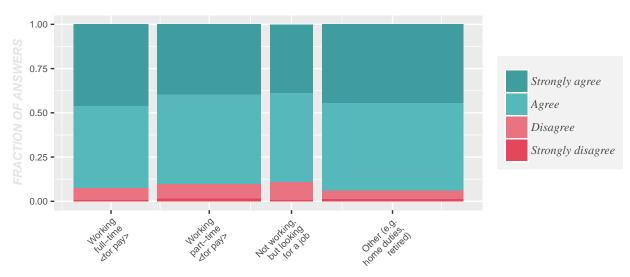
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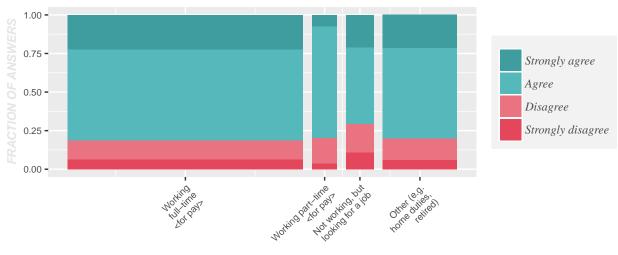
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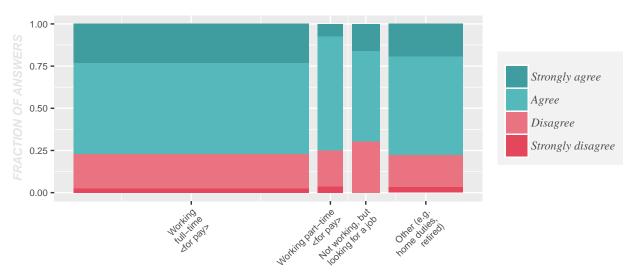
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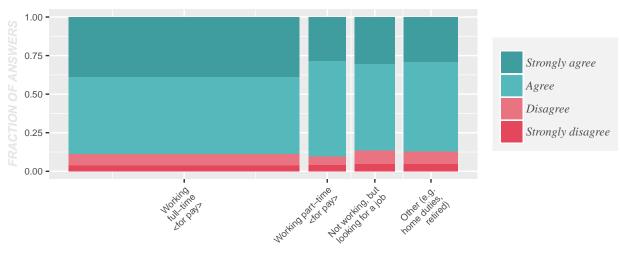
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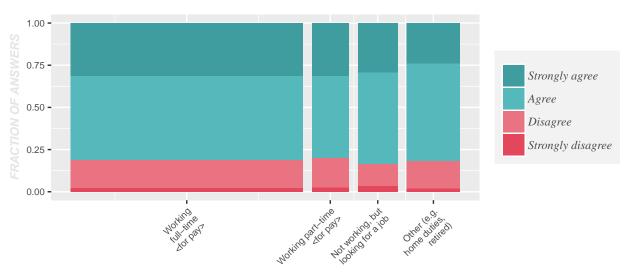
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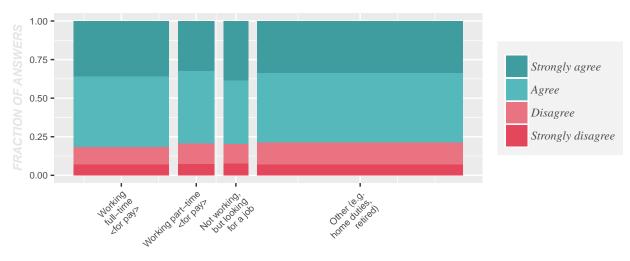
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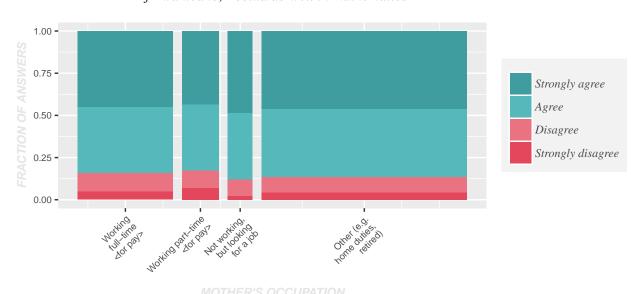
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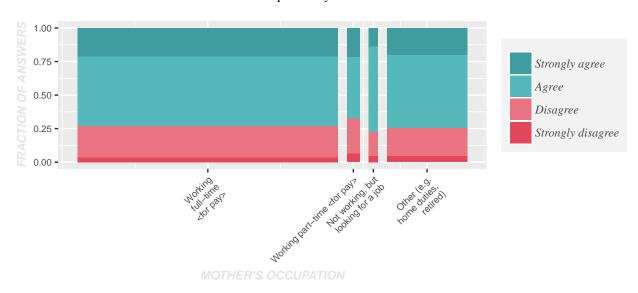


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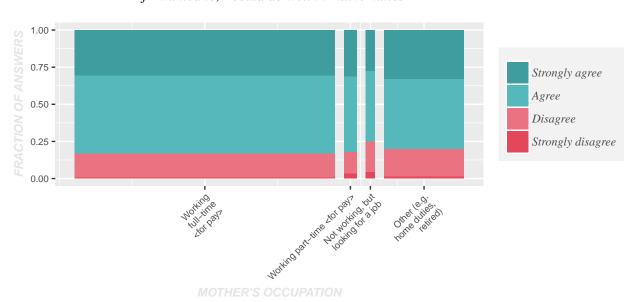
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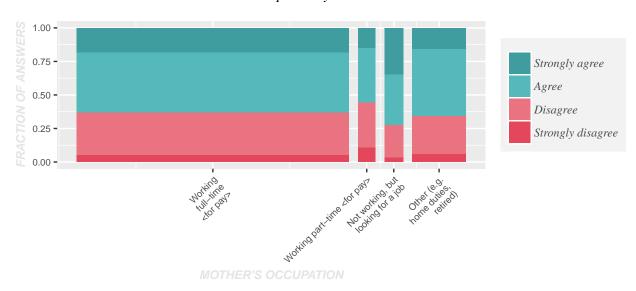
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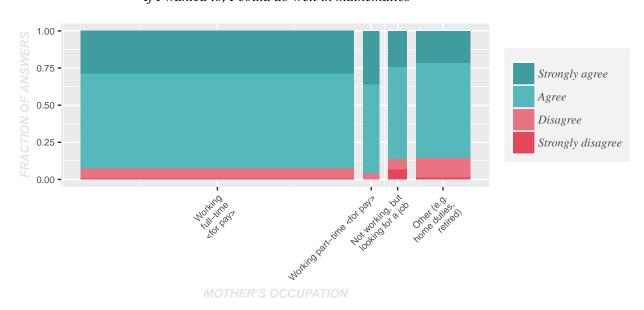
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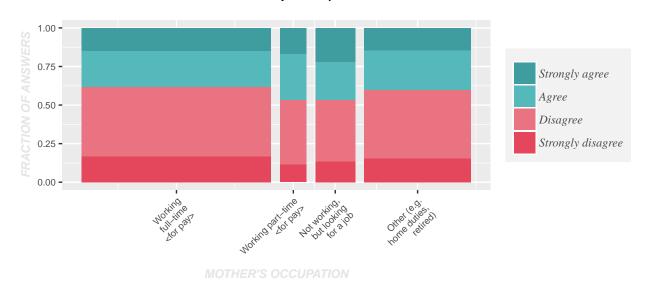


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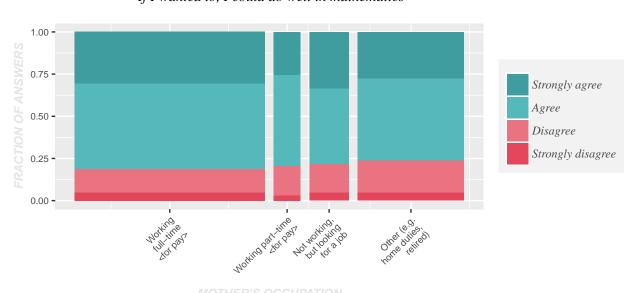
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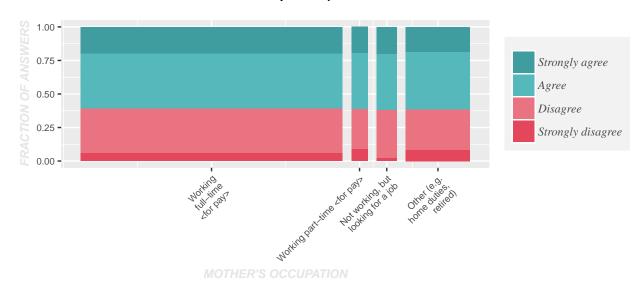


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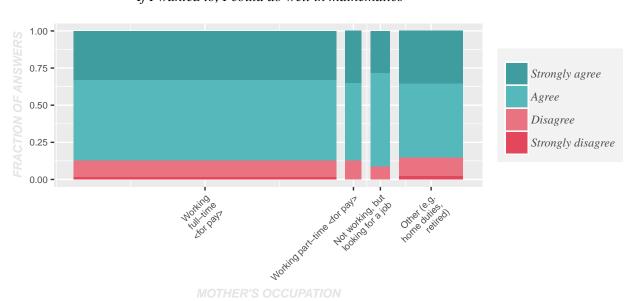
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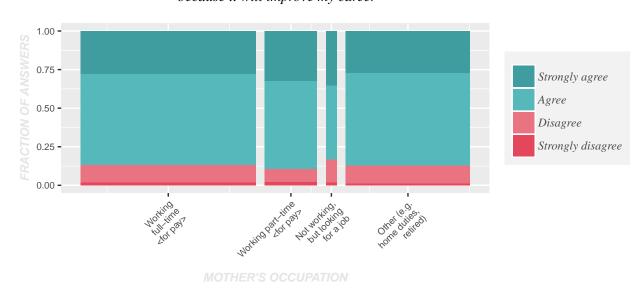


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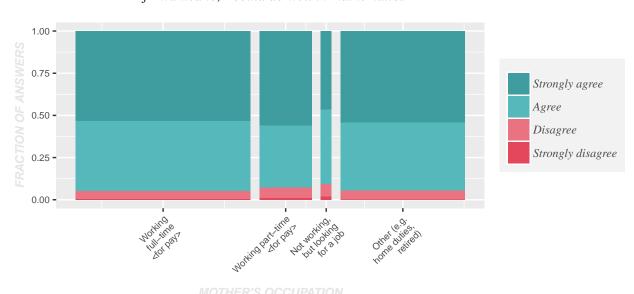
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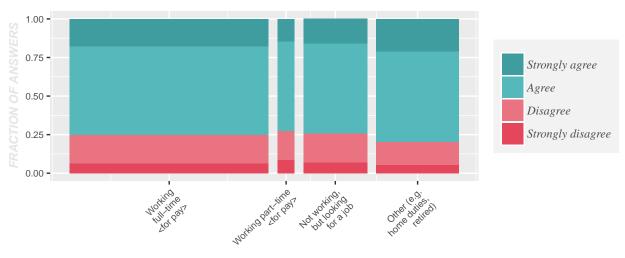


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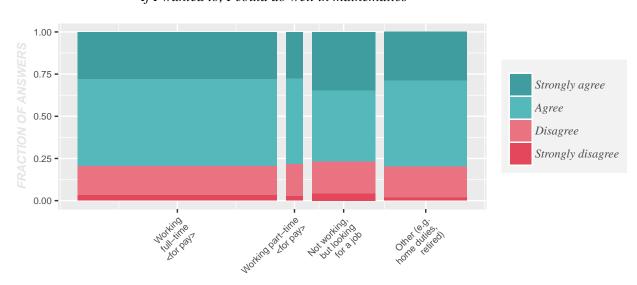
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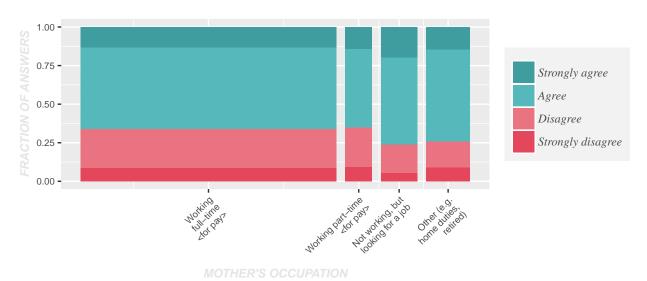


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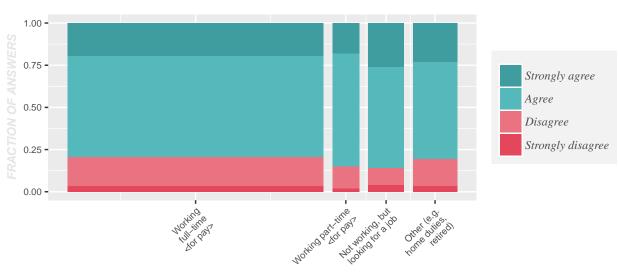
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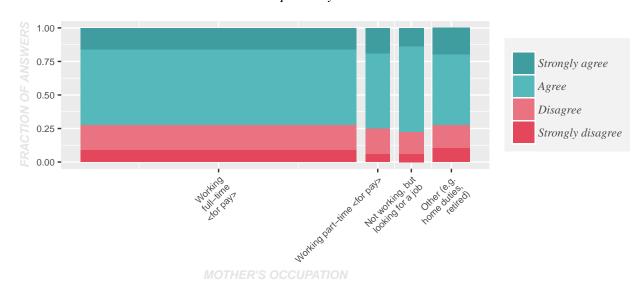
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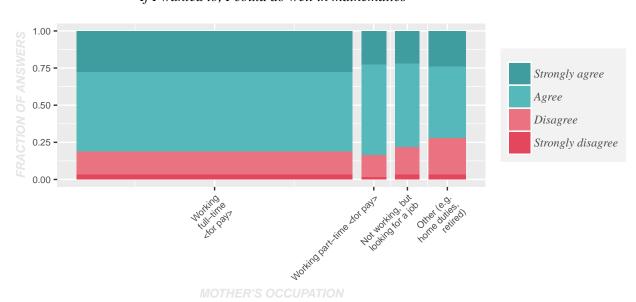
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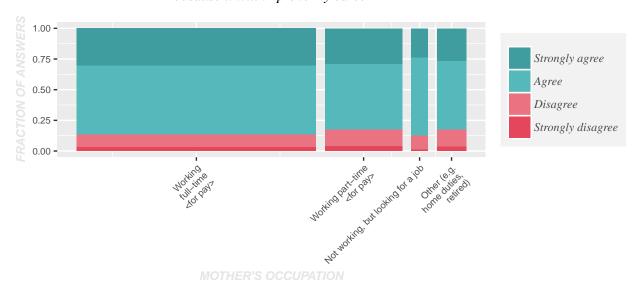


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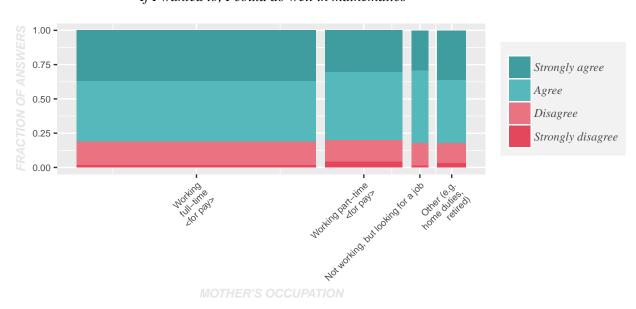
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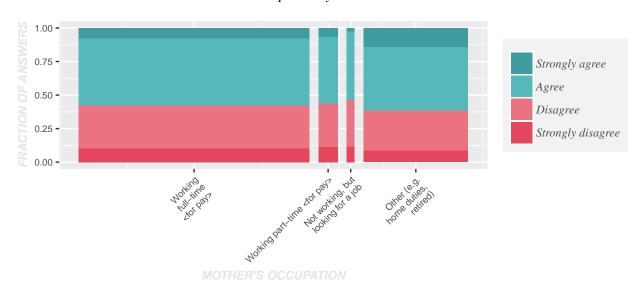


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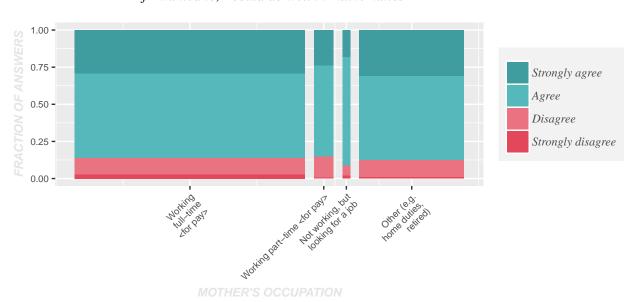
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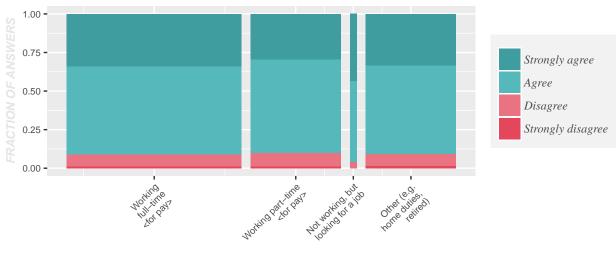


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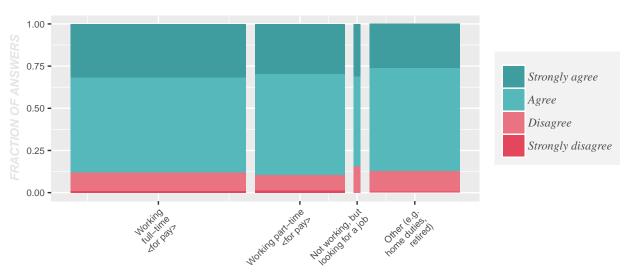
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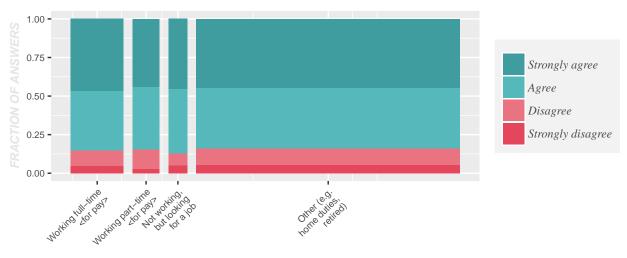
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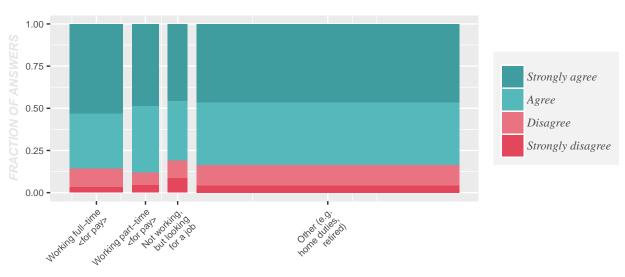
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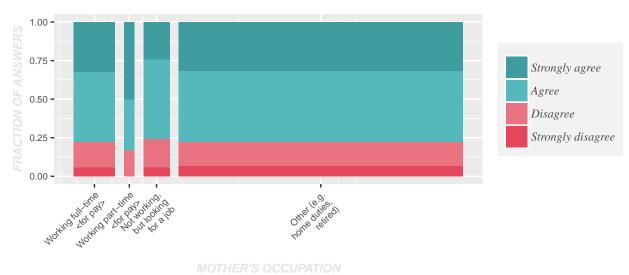
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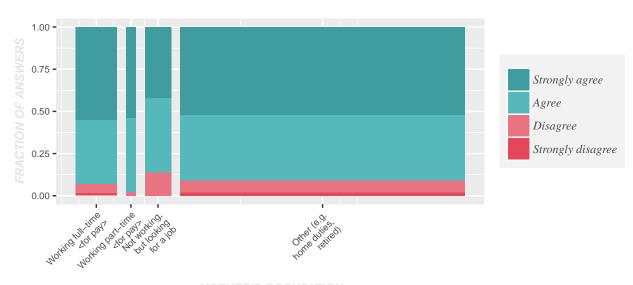
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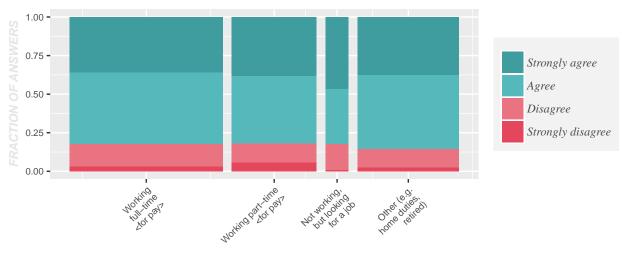


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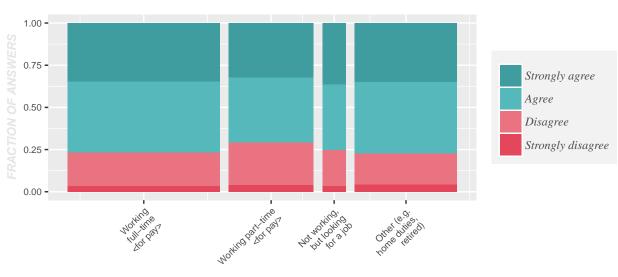
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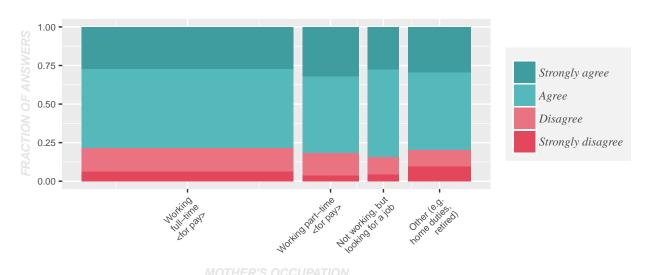
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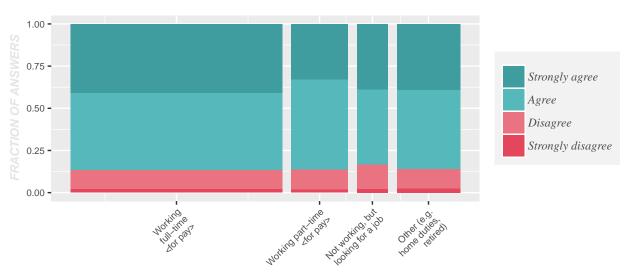
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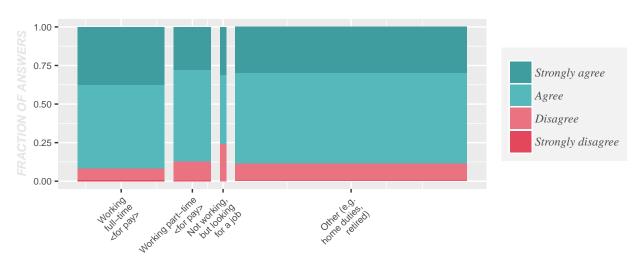
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