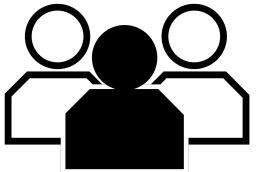
THE QUANTUM OPEN SOURCE SOFTWARE SURVEY

2022

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION



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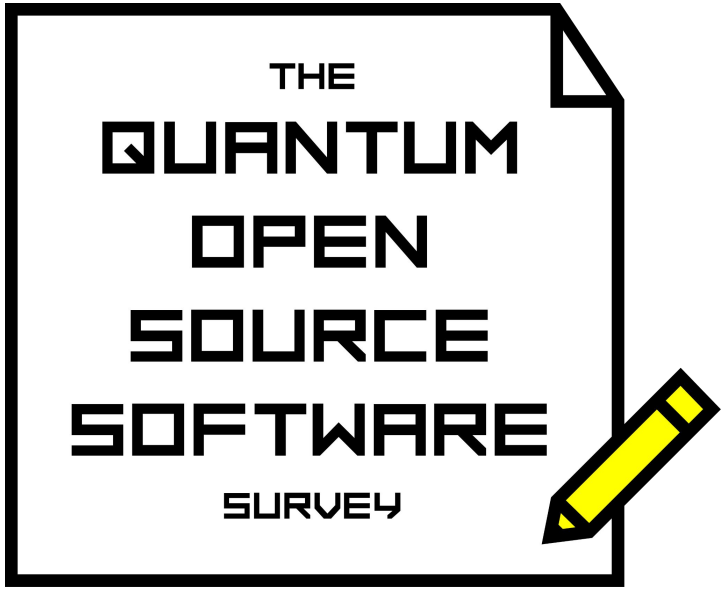

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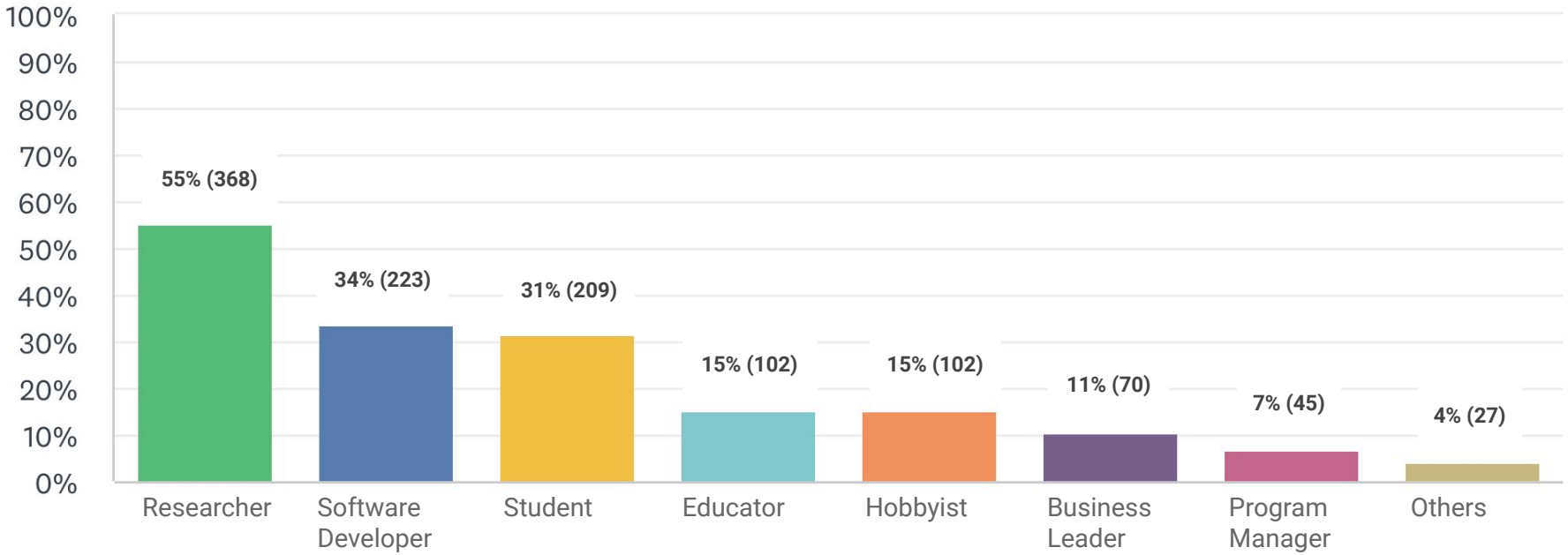

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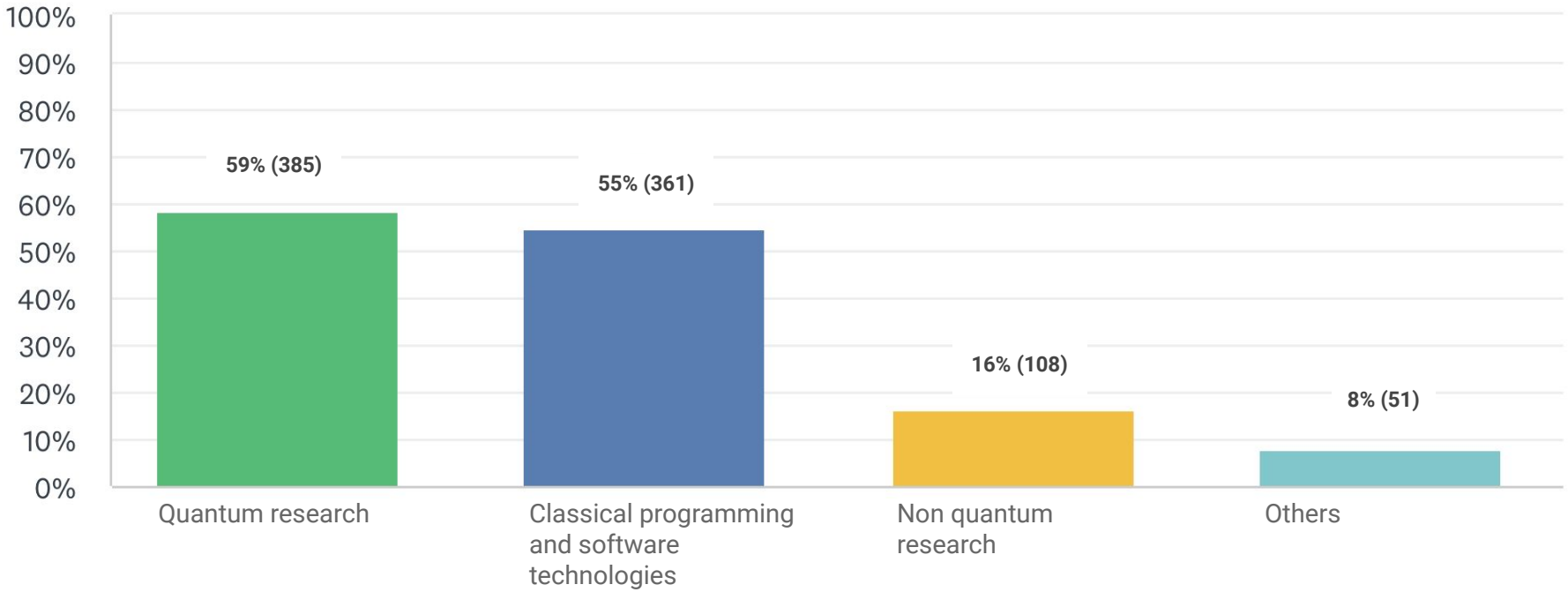

Reason for quantum involvement:

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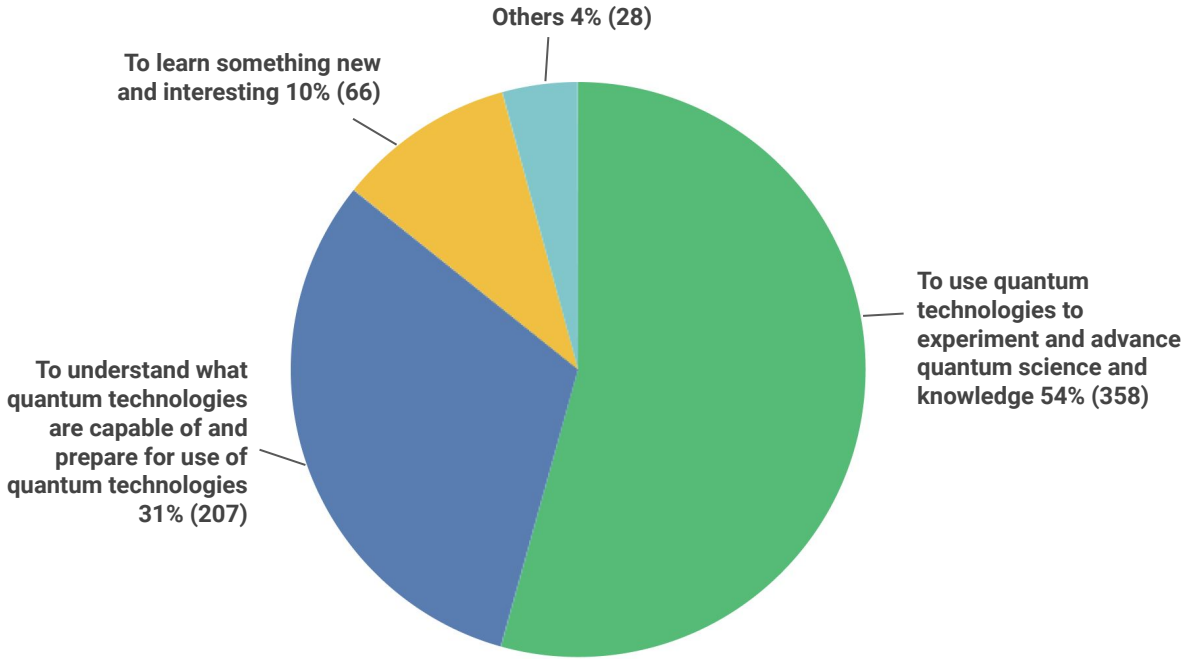

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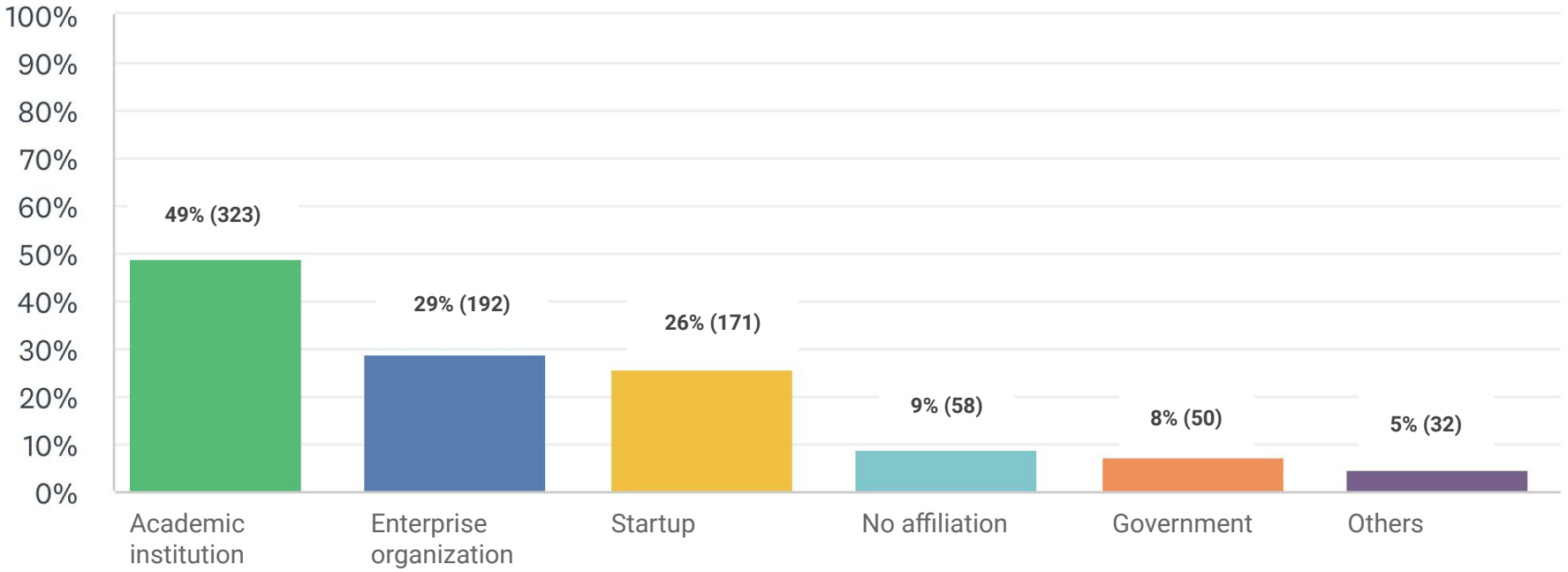

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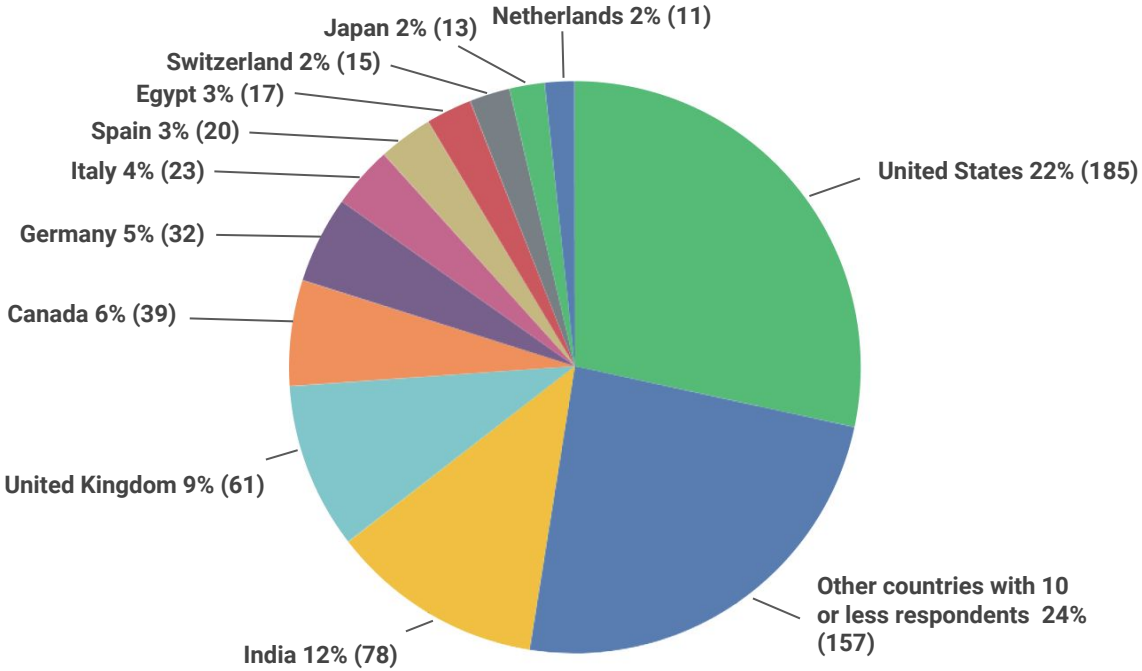

Affiliated organization size in terms of employee number:

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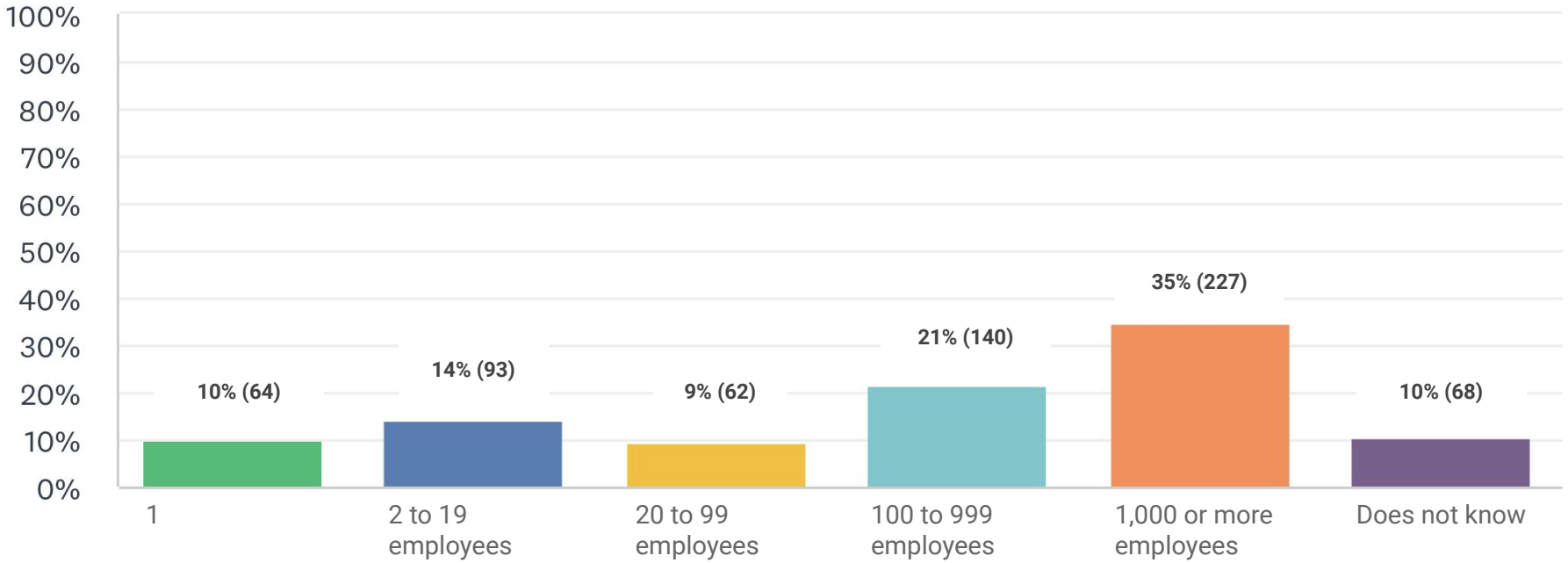

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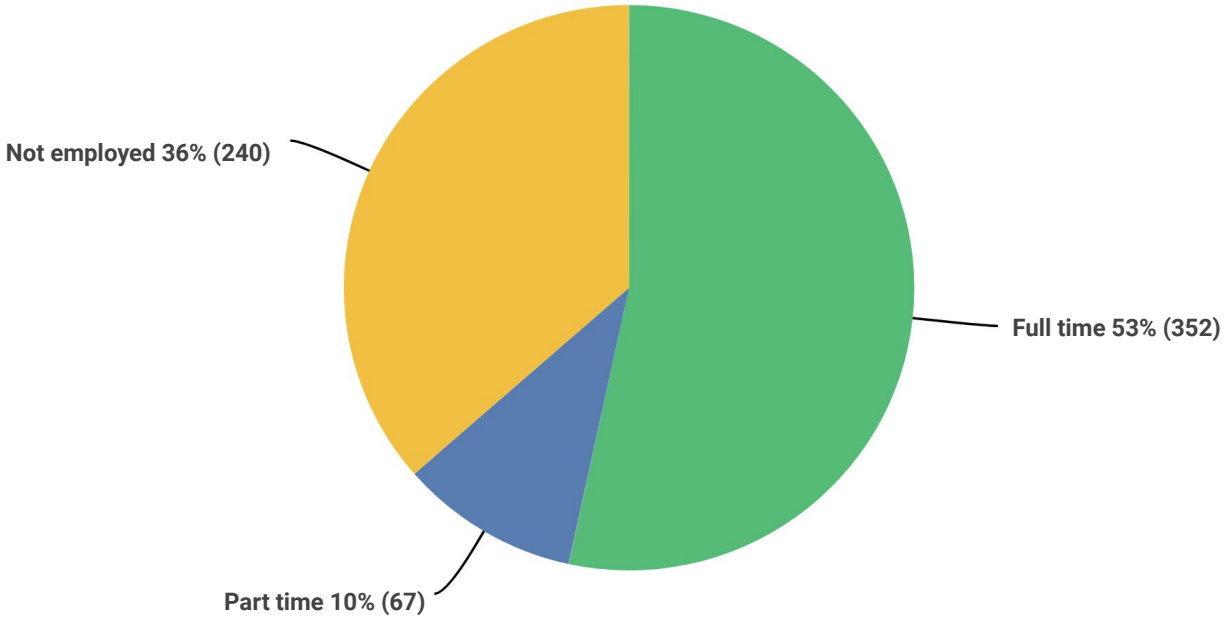

Length of stay within the same company:

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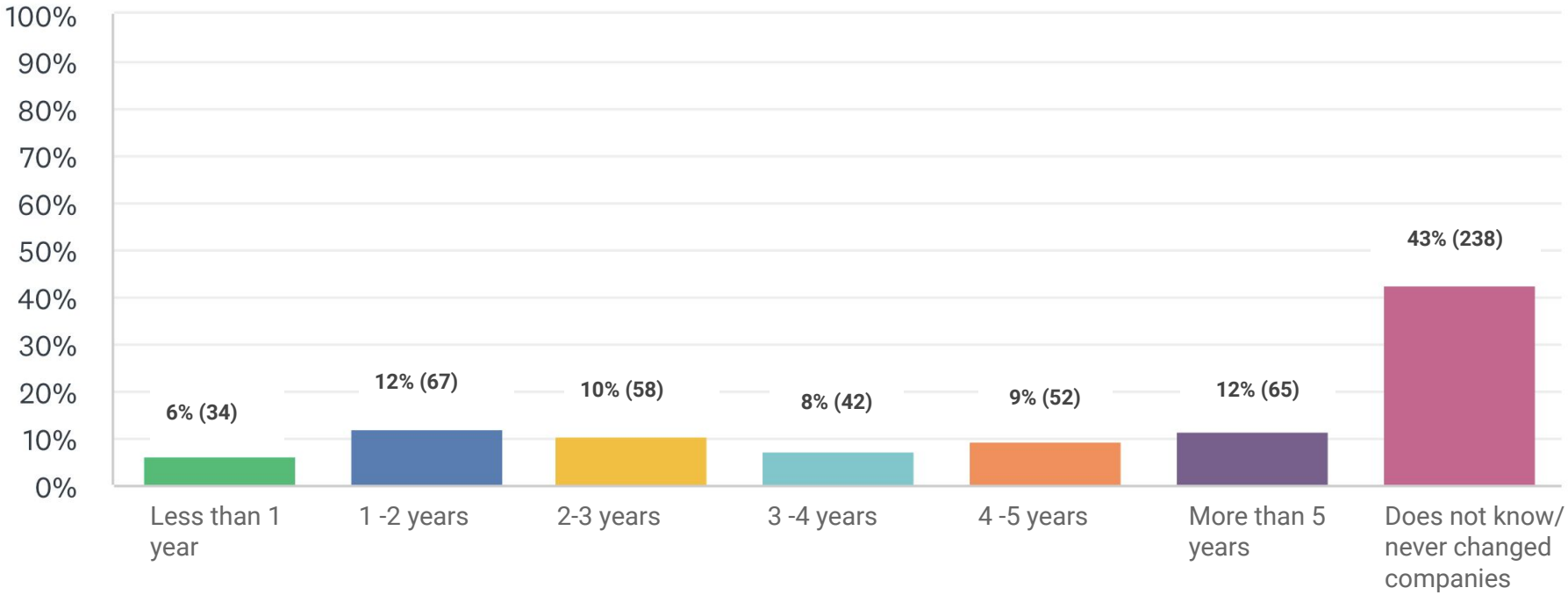

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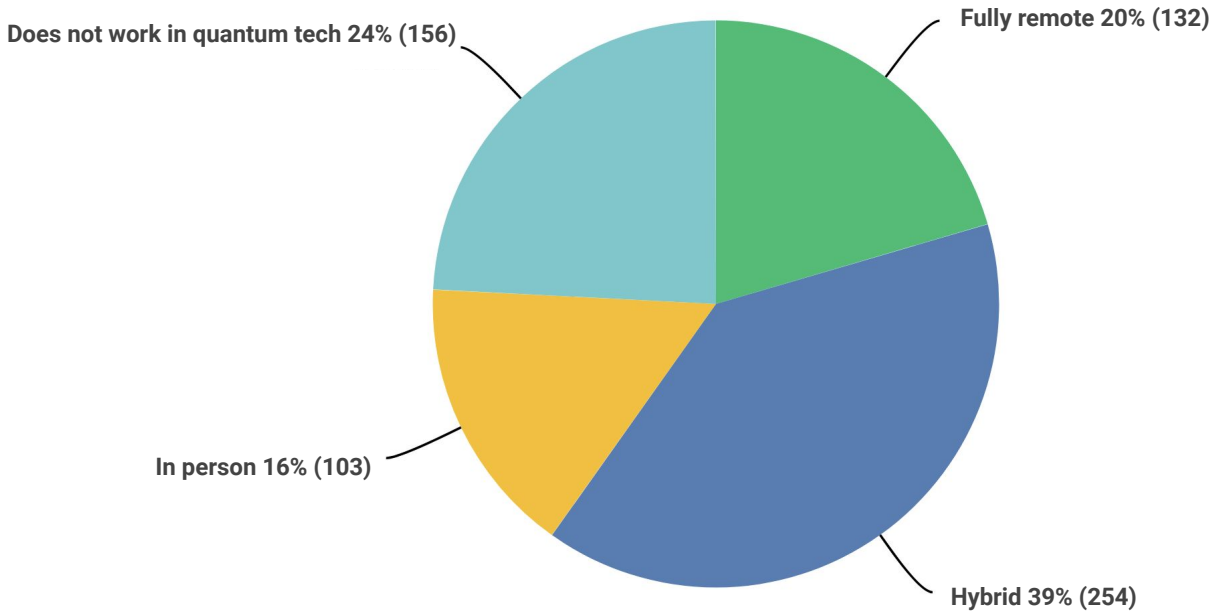

Current/expected total annual compensation in US dollars:

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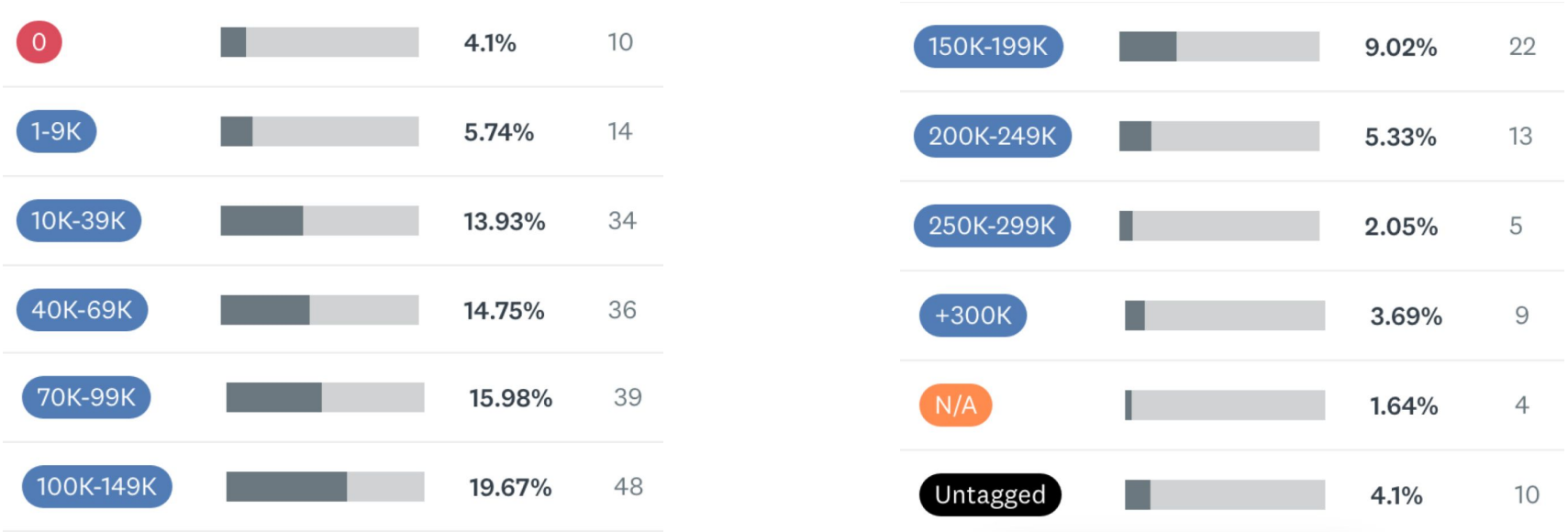

Quantum Software use:

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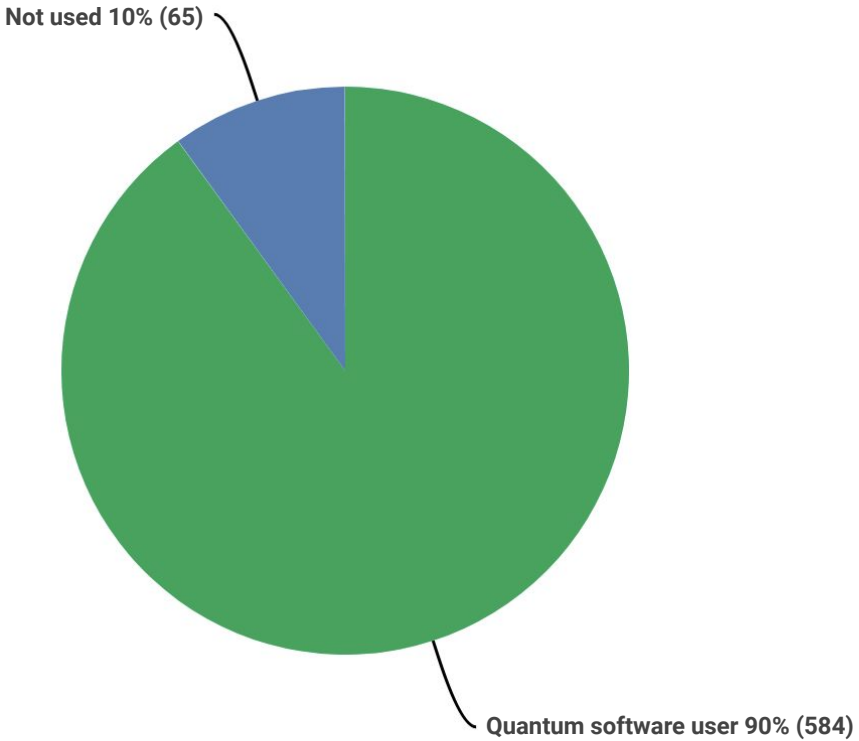

Role in the Quantum Software project most involved in:

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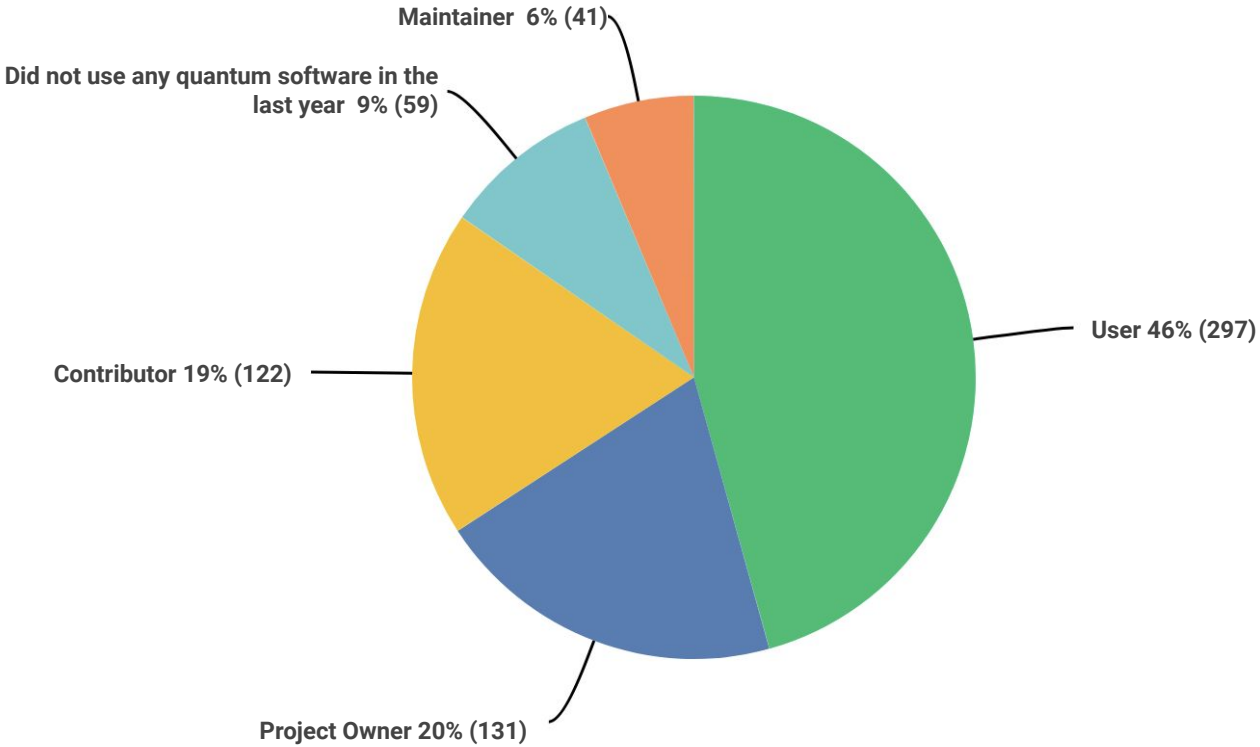

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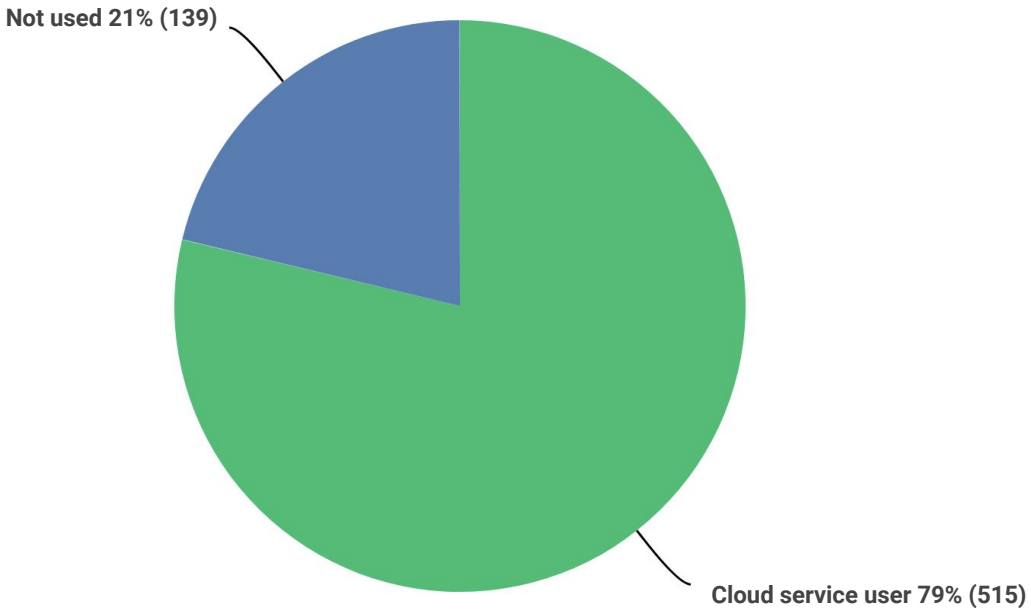

Cloud services used currently and would like to use in the next year:

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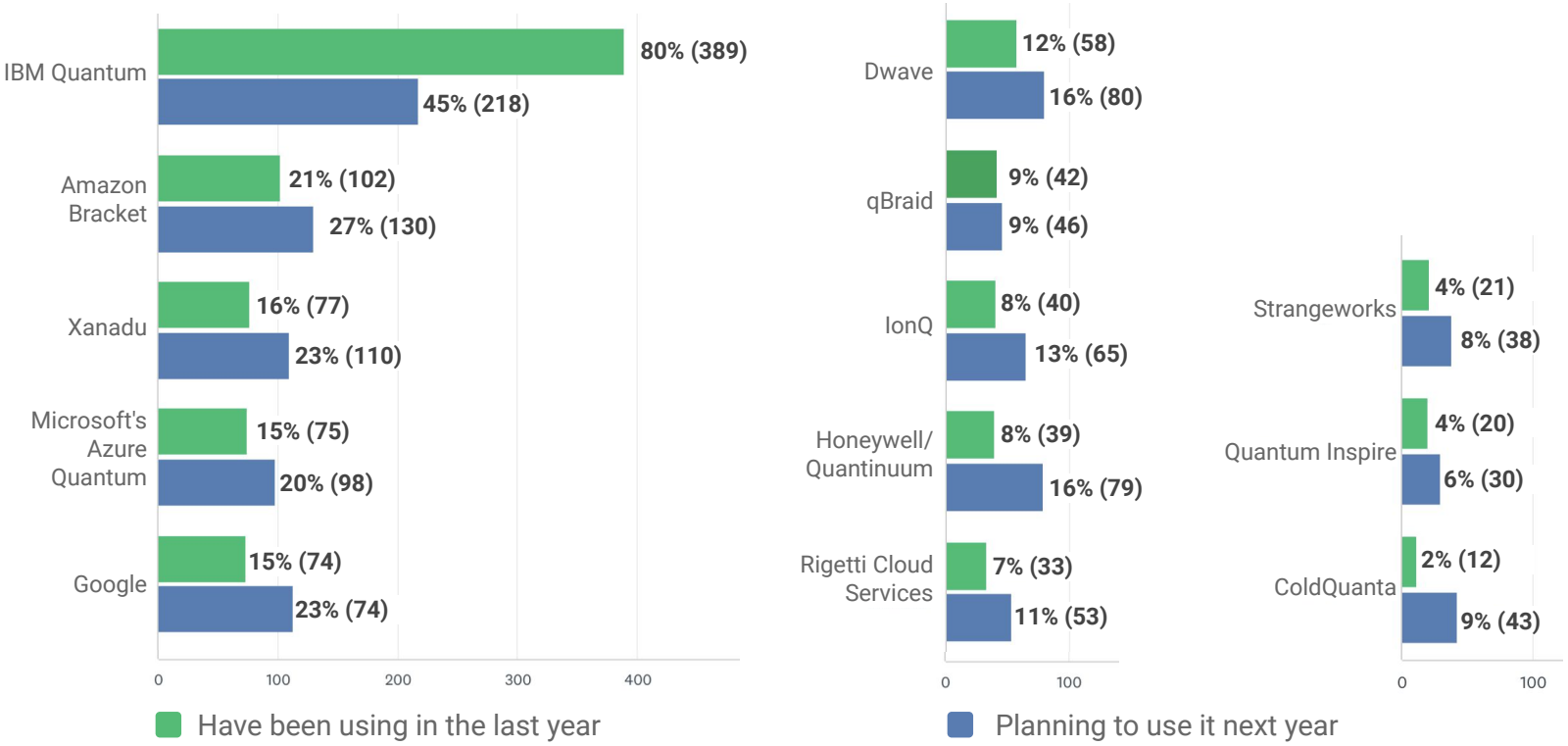

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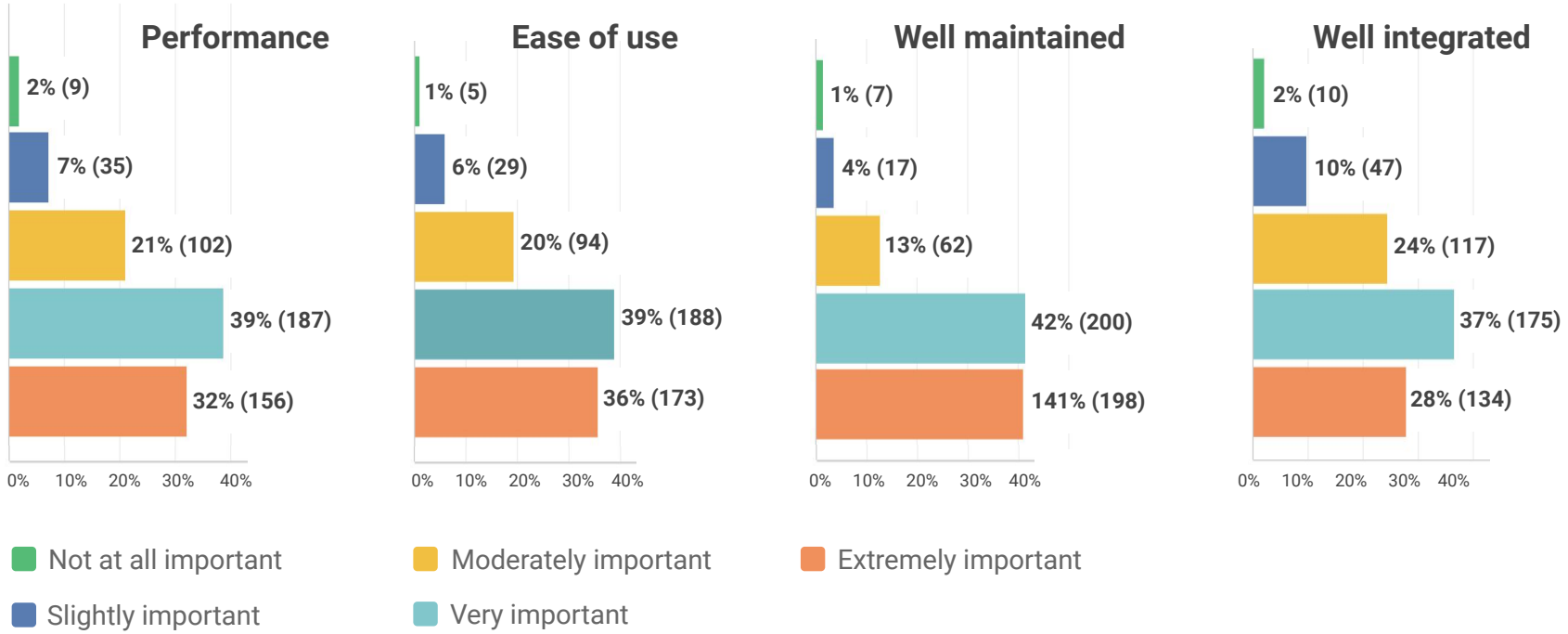

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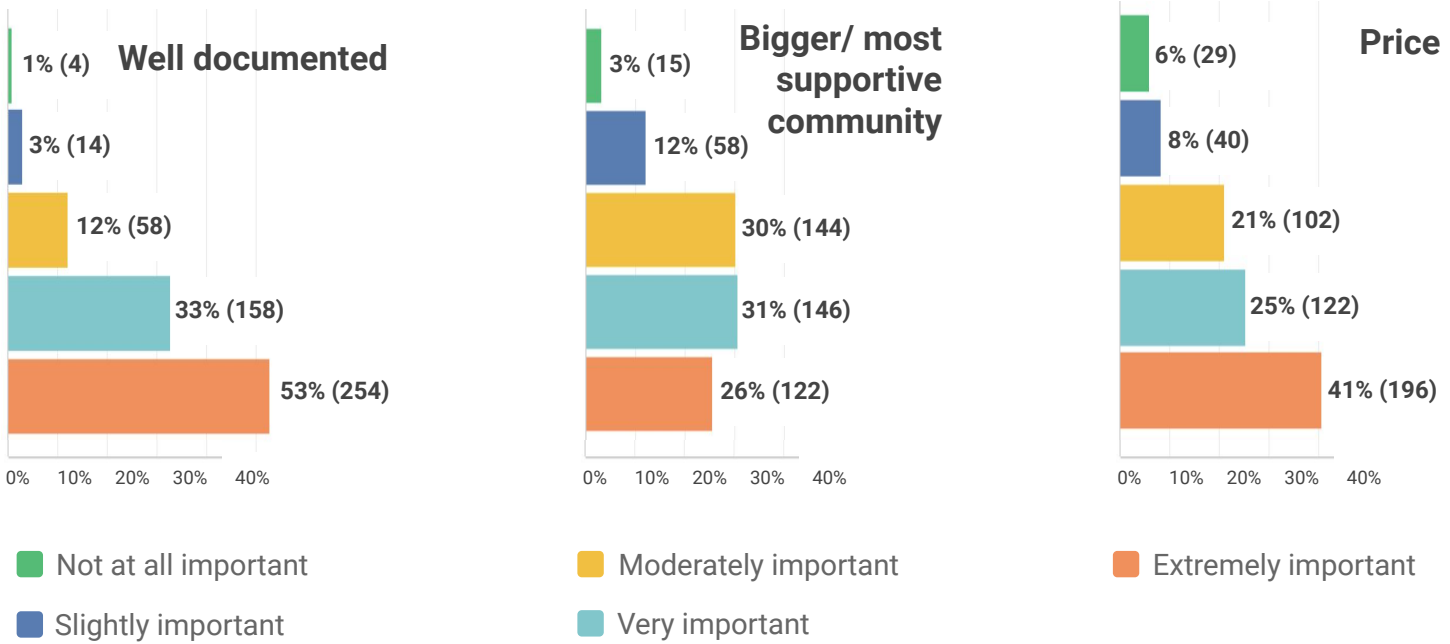

Full-stack development platform or simulator:

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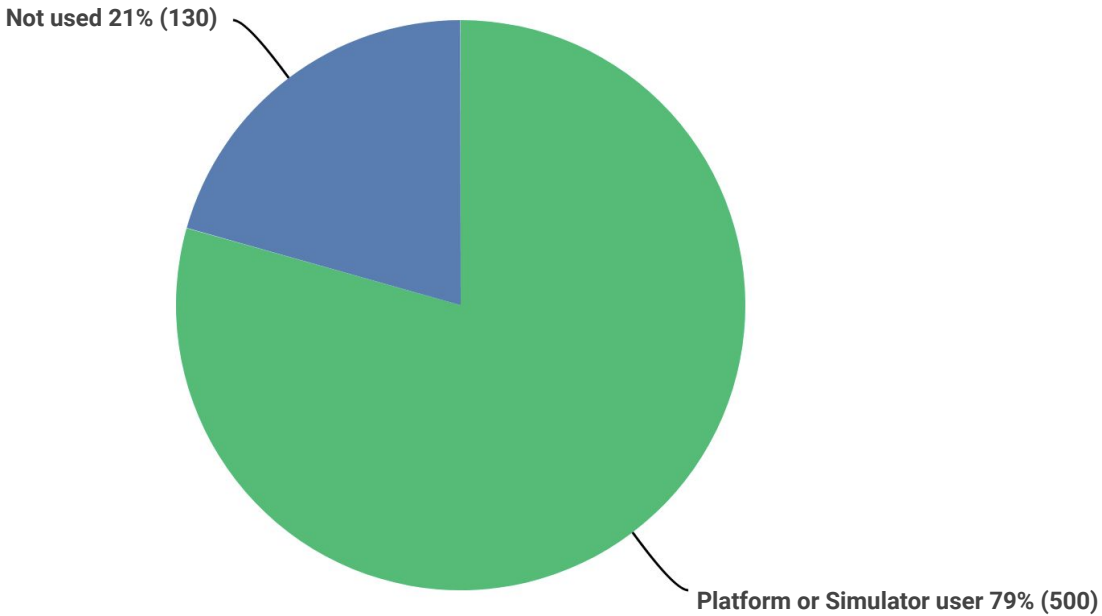

Full-stack development platforms and simulators used currently or in the future (1/3):

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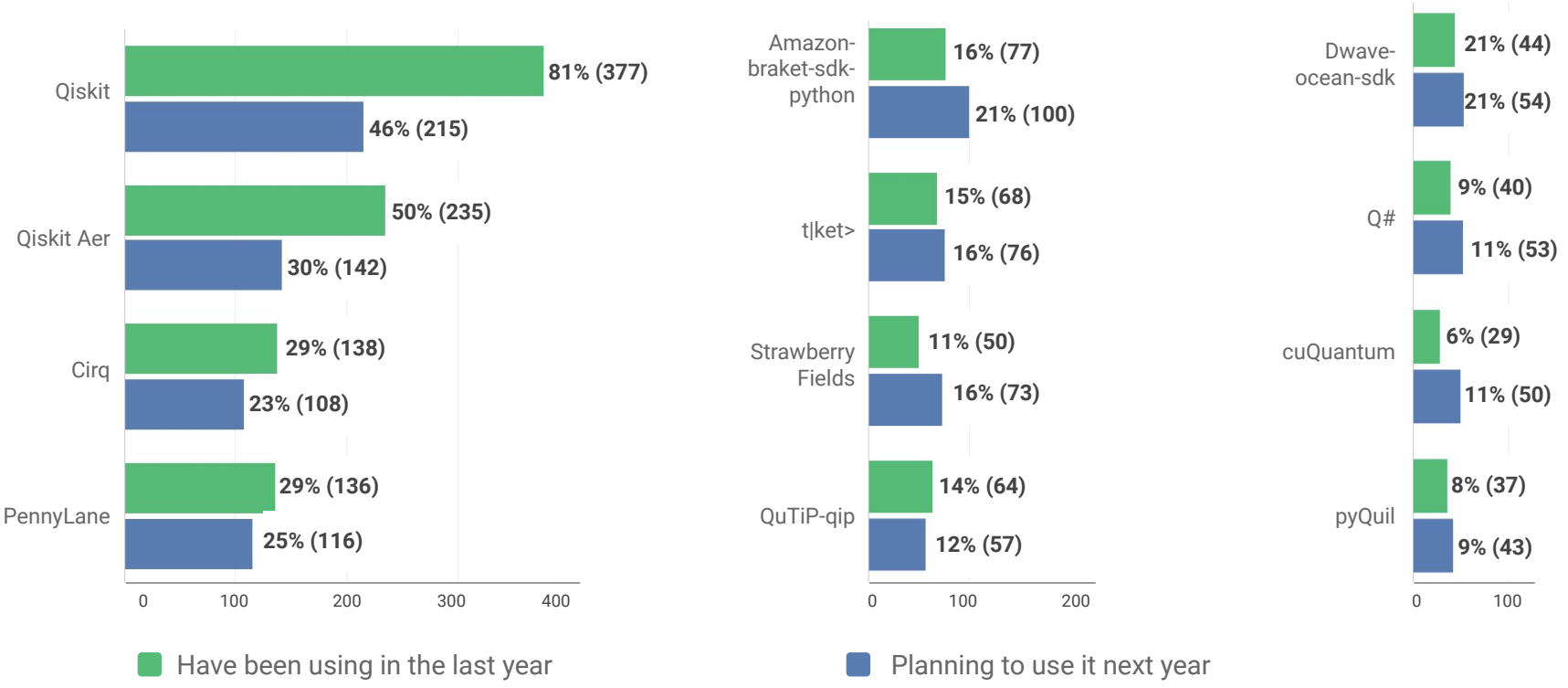

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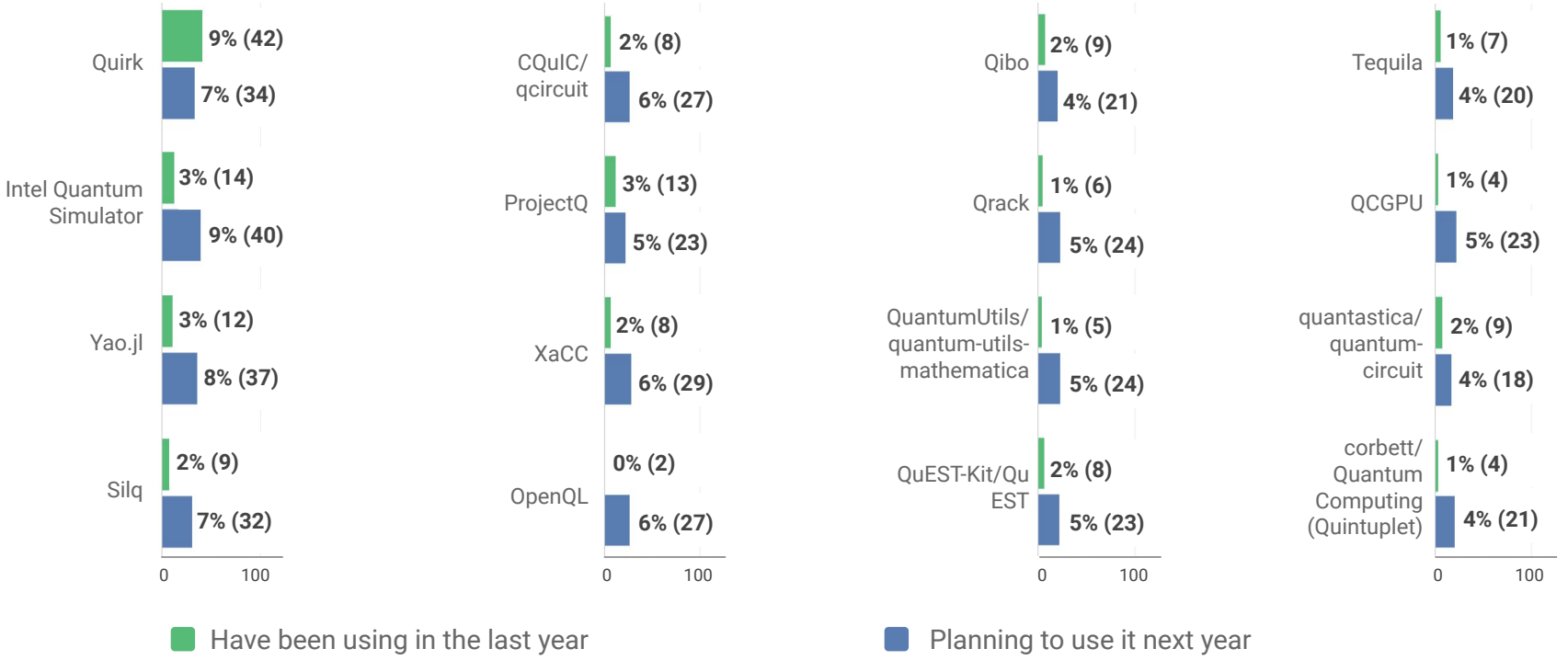

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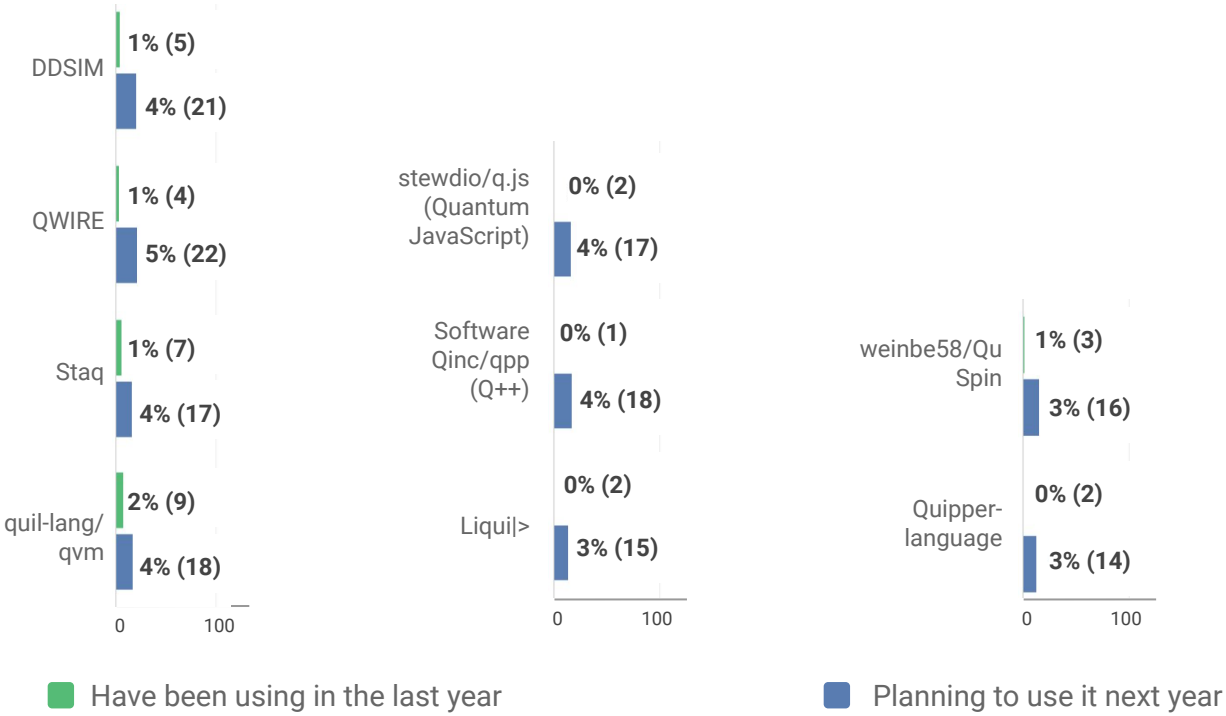

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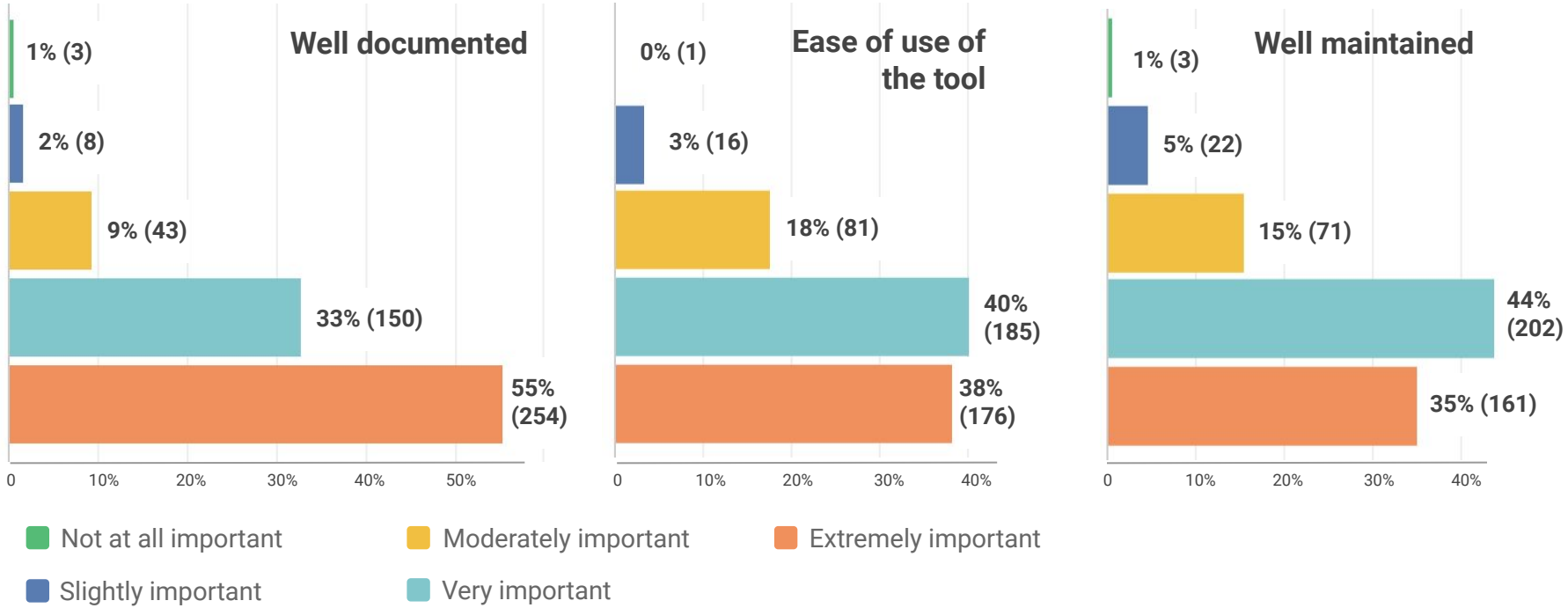

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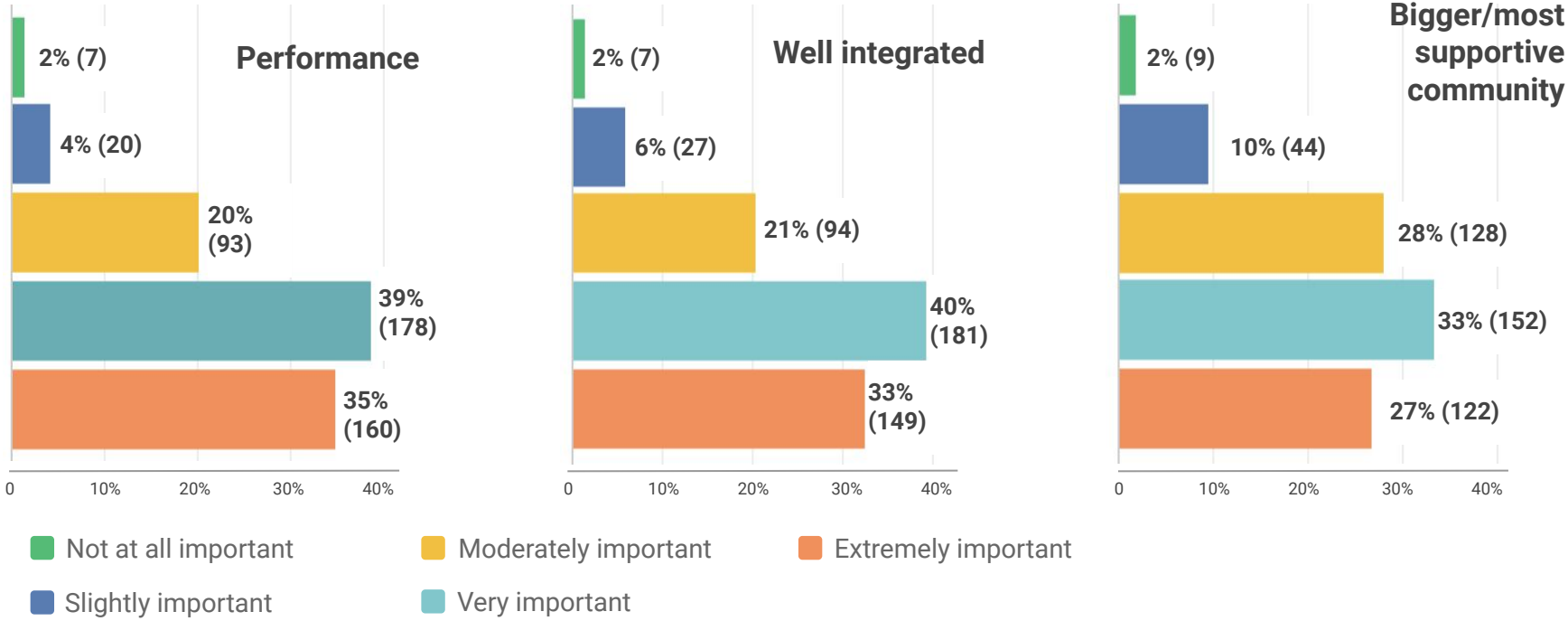

Software use for applications and tools:

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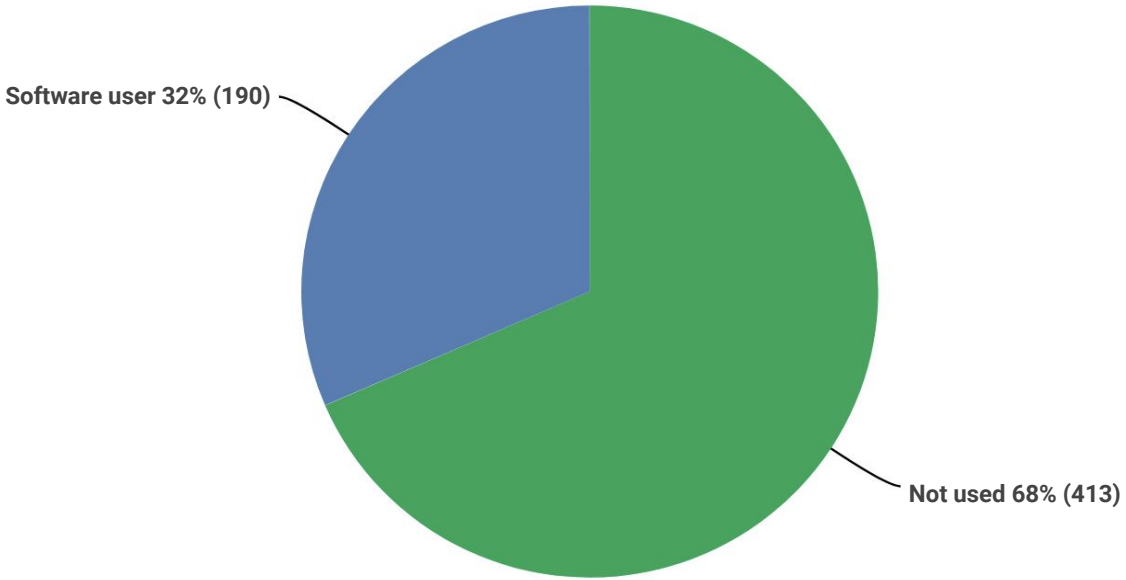

Softwares currently used and would like to use in the next year for applications and tools(1/2):

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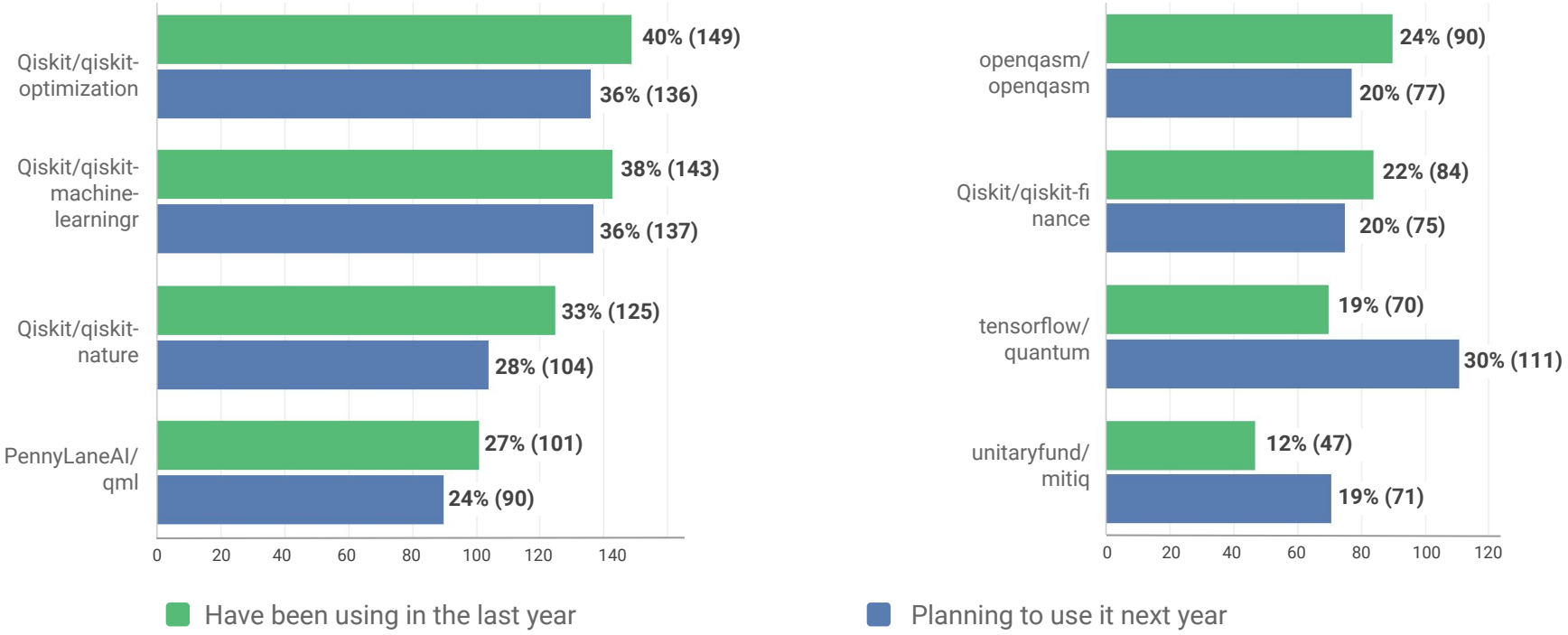

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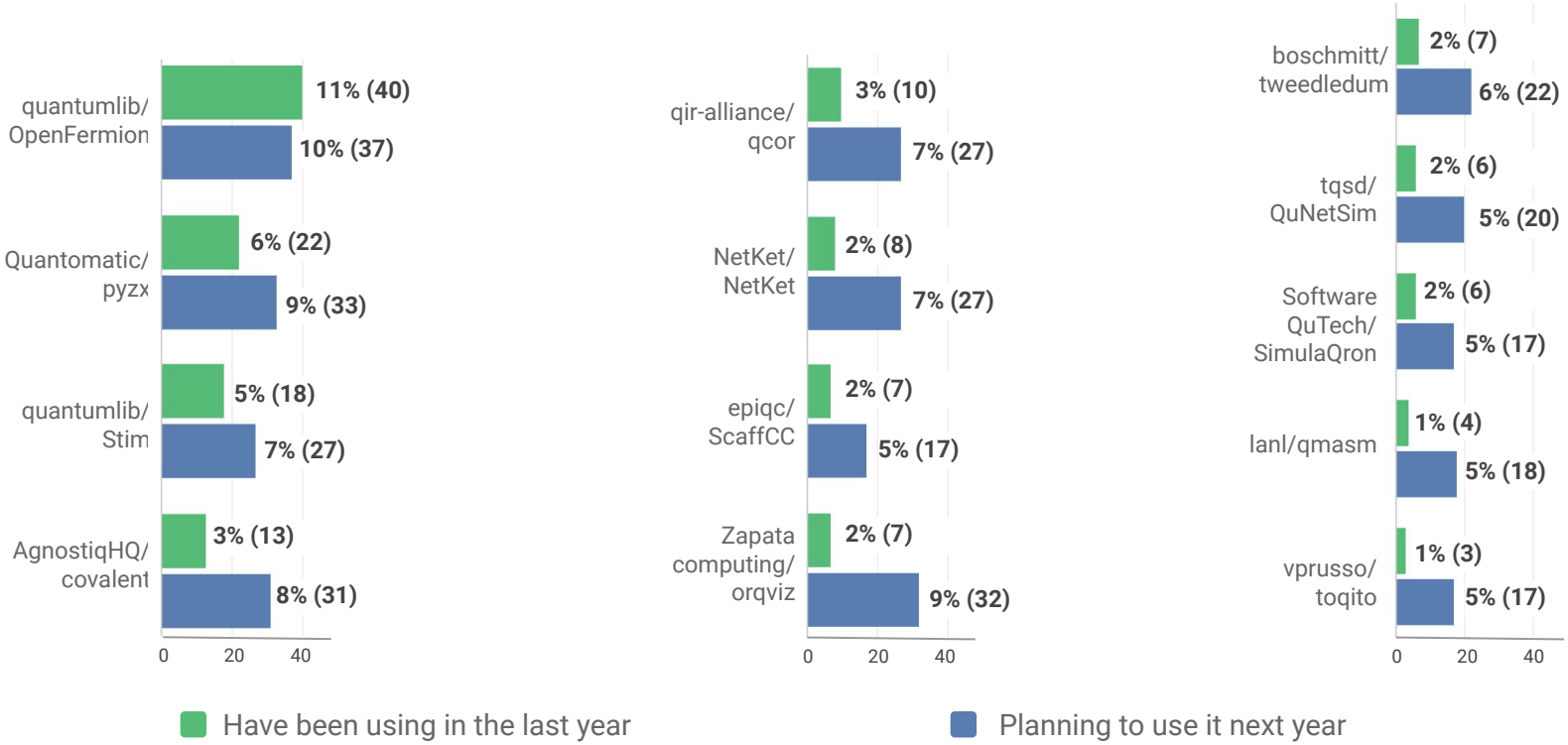

Importance rating when choosing a software for applications and tools(1/2):

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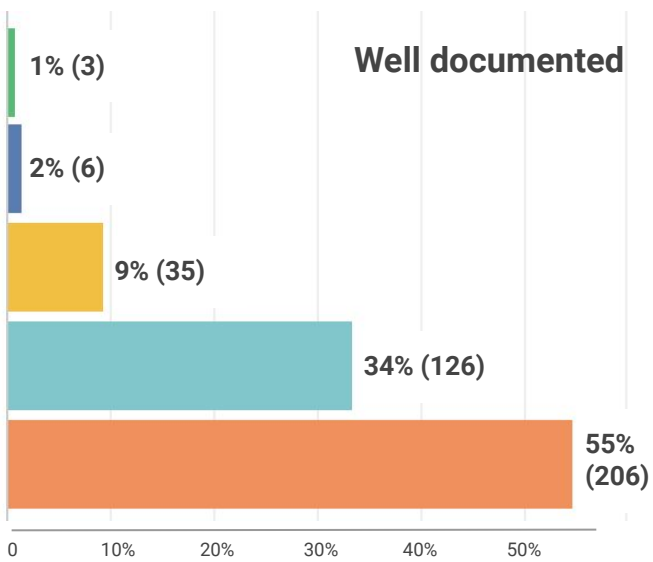

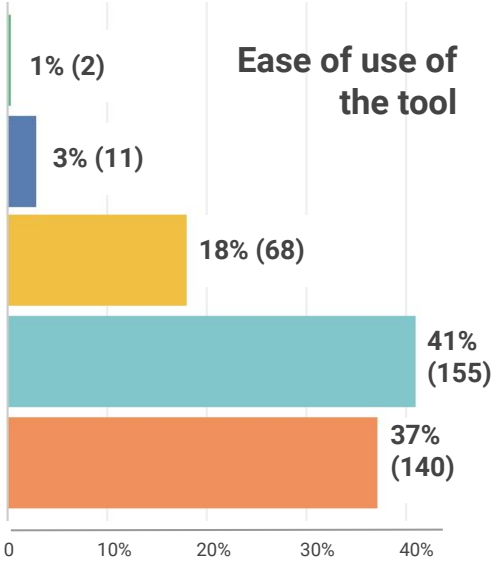

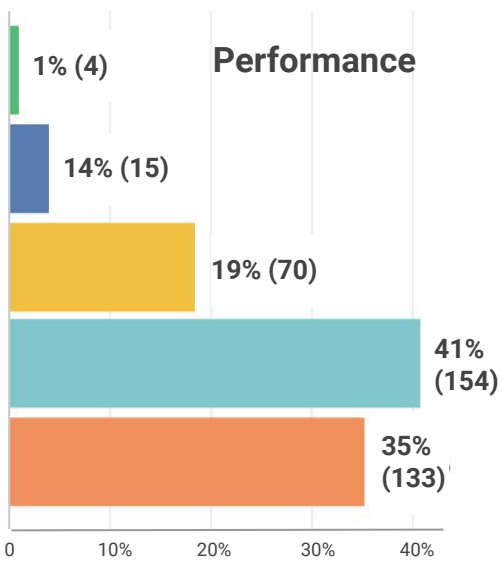

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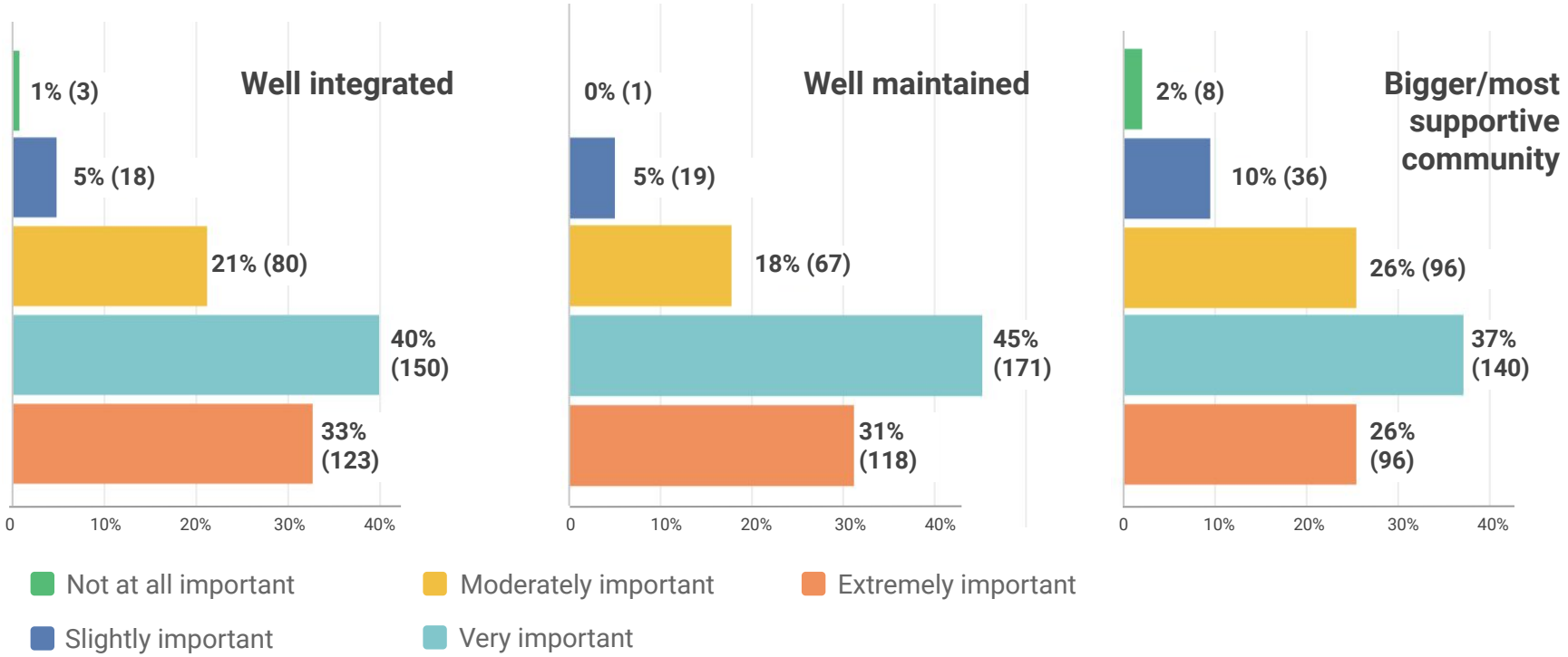

Main reasons for not using the technologies that respondents would like to use but are not currently using:

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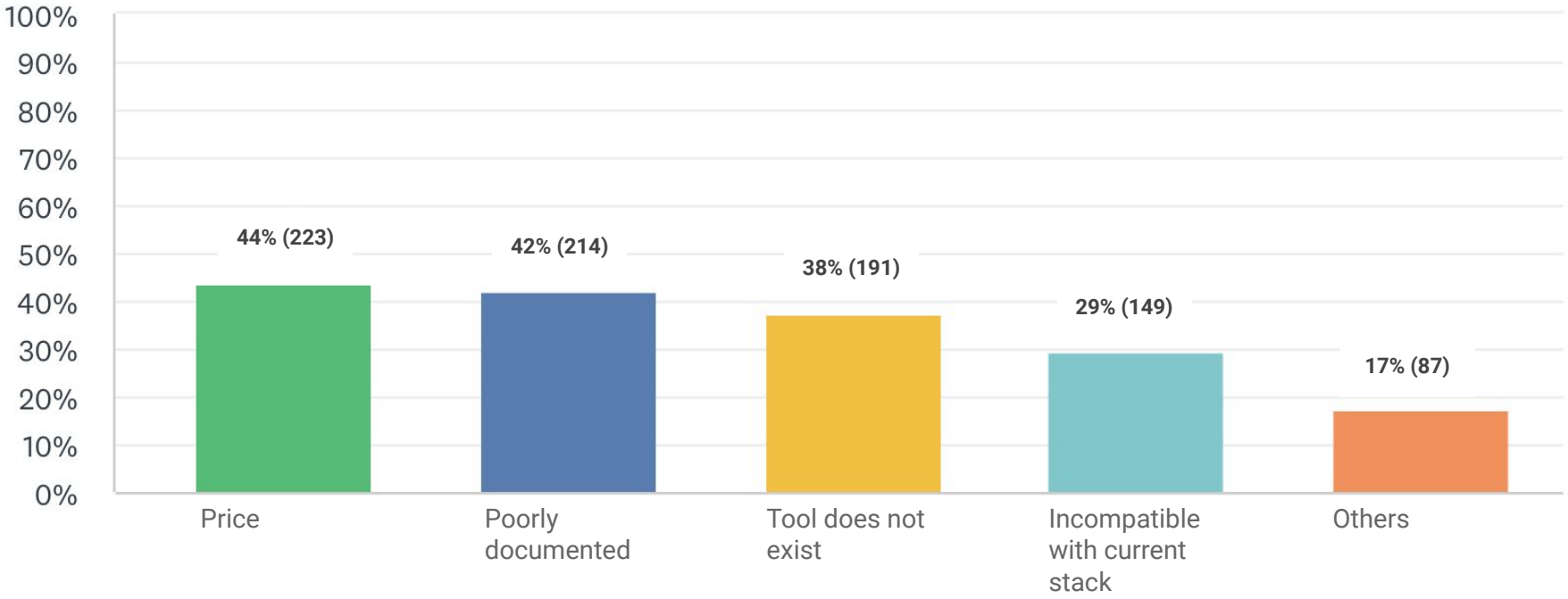

Code contributions to quantum OSS projects (can be collaborative or personal projects):

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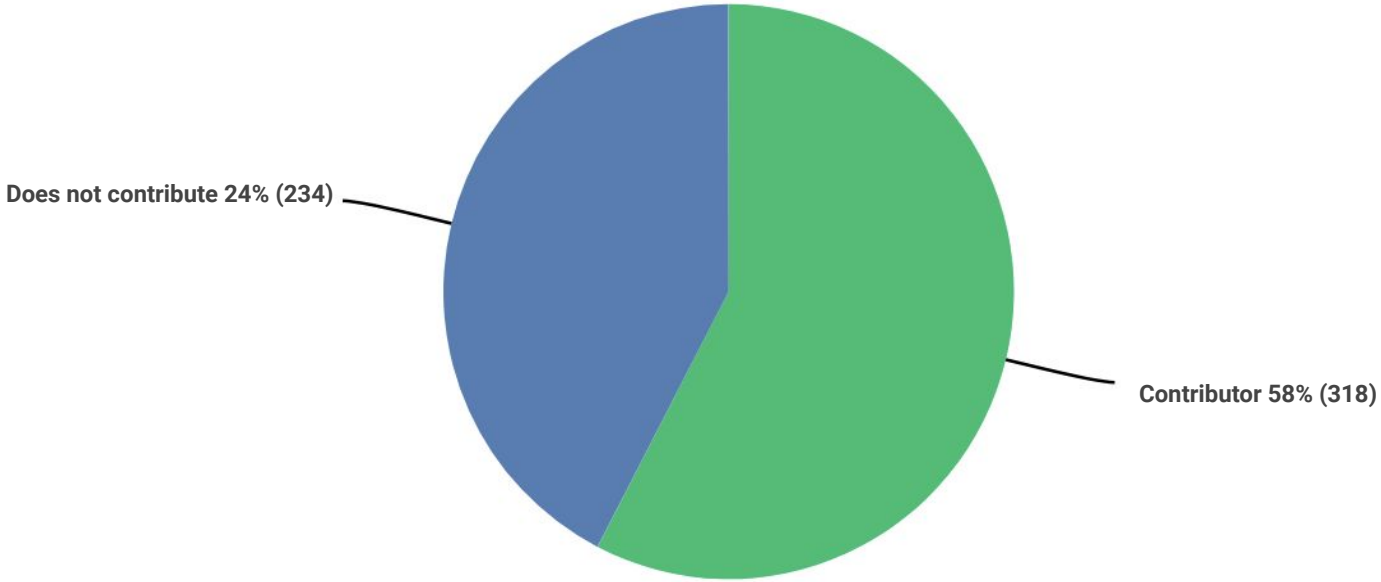

Are your contributions to quantum OSS part of your scientific research in the quantum field?

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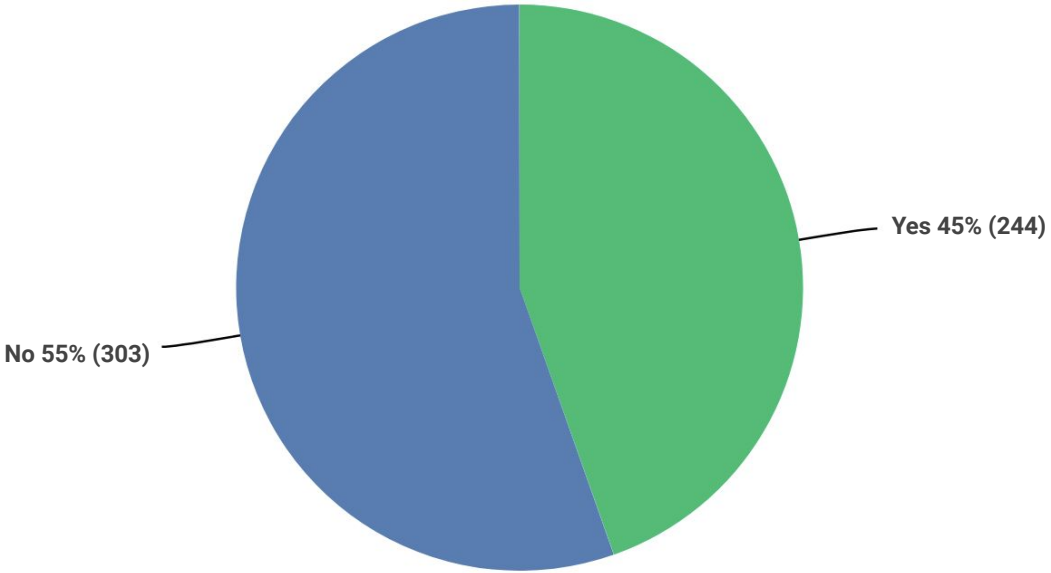

The type of quantum computing research the respondent performs:

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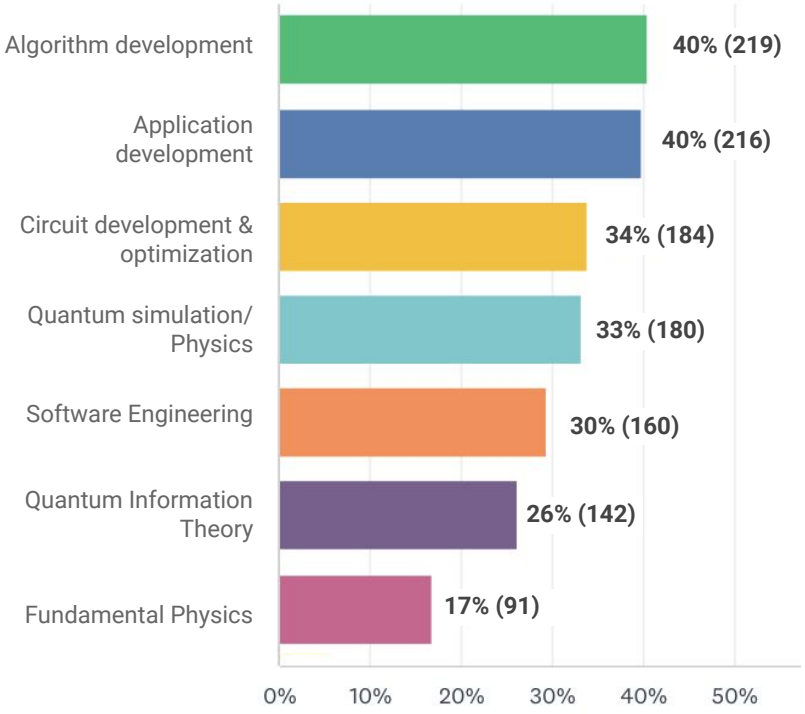

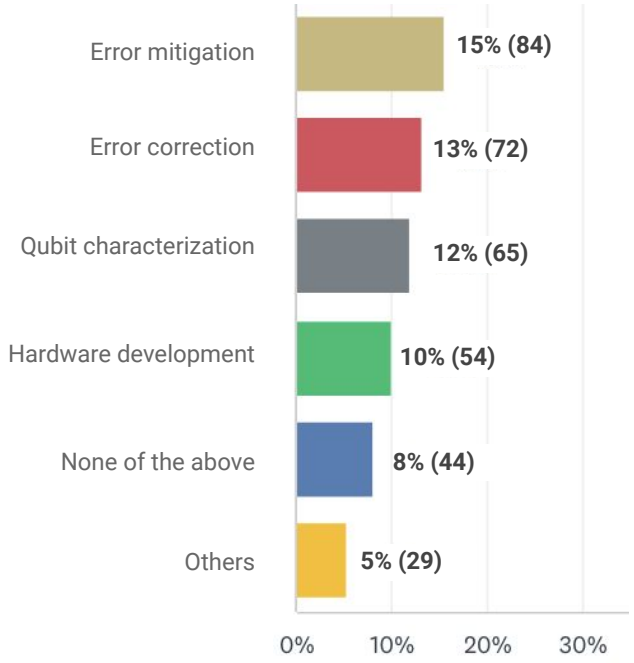

Contribution to (a) research paper(s) based on the work with open-source software:

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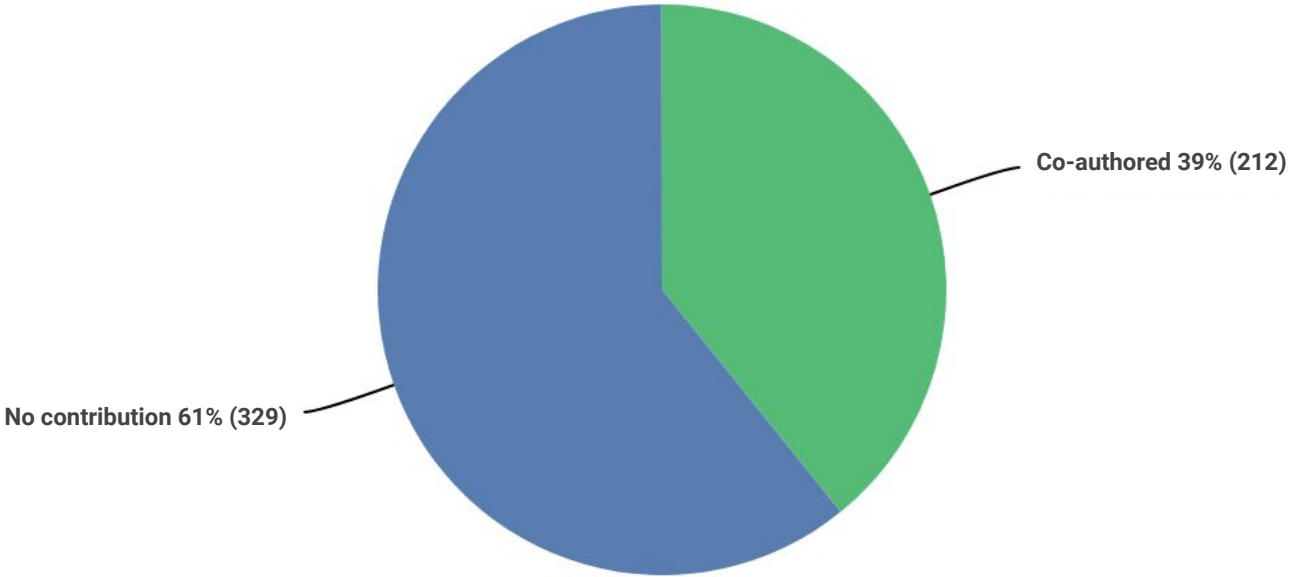

Programming languages the respondent use in developing quantum software:

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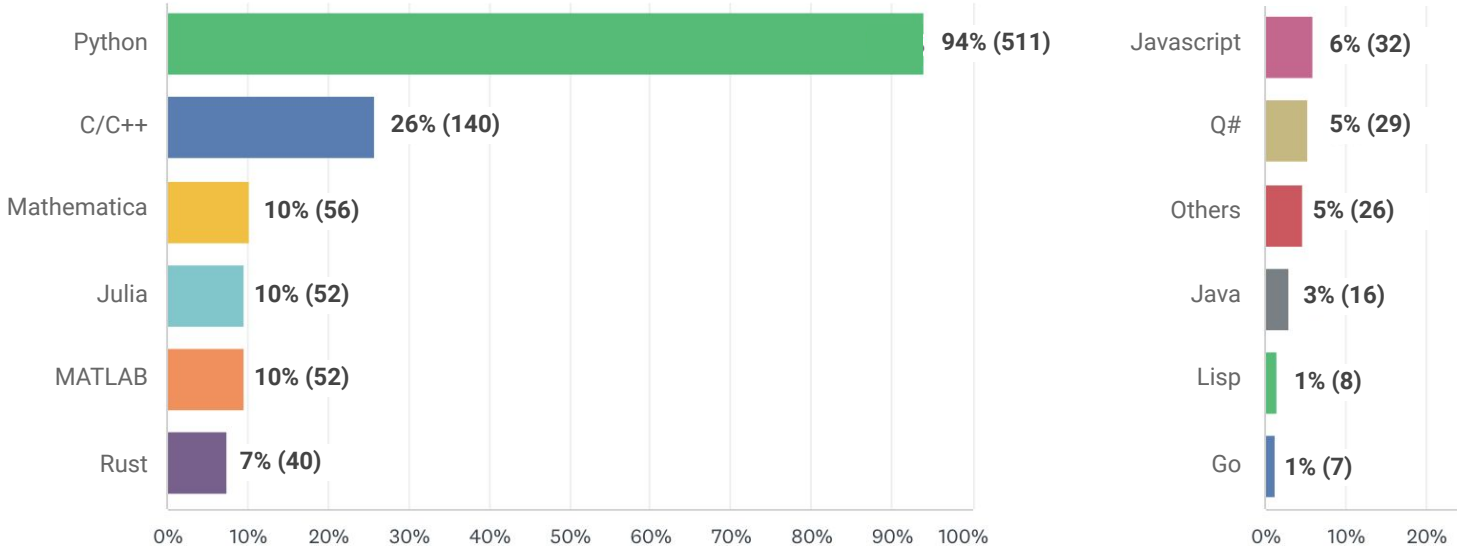

Workflows used in developing quantum software:

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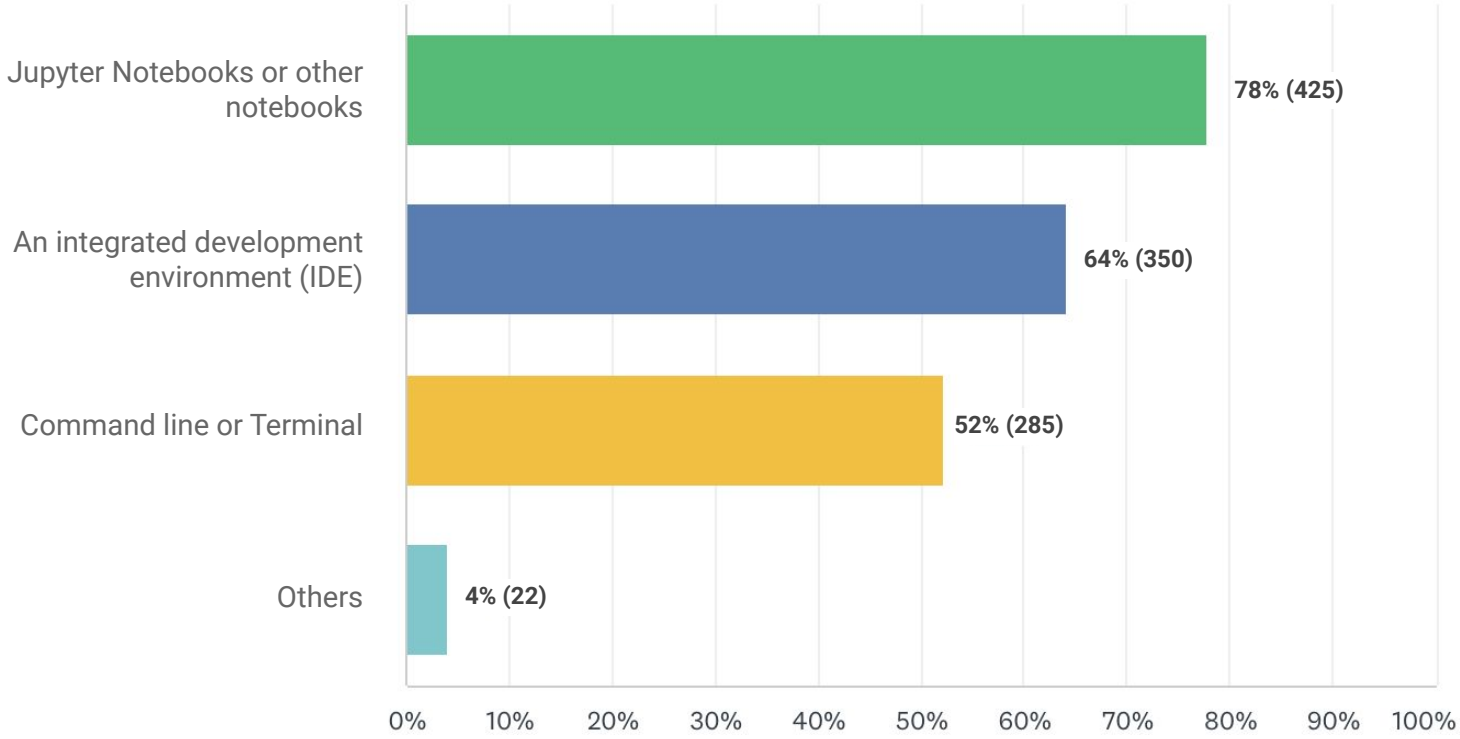

Opinion on how welcoming the quantum software community is:

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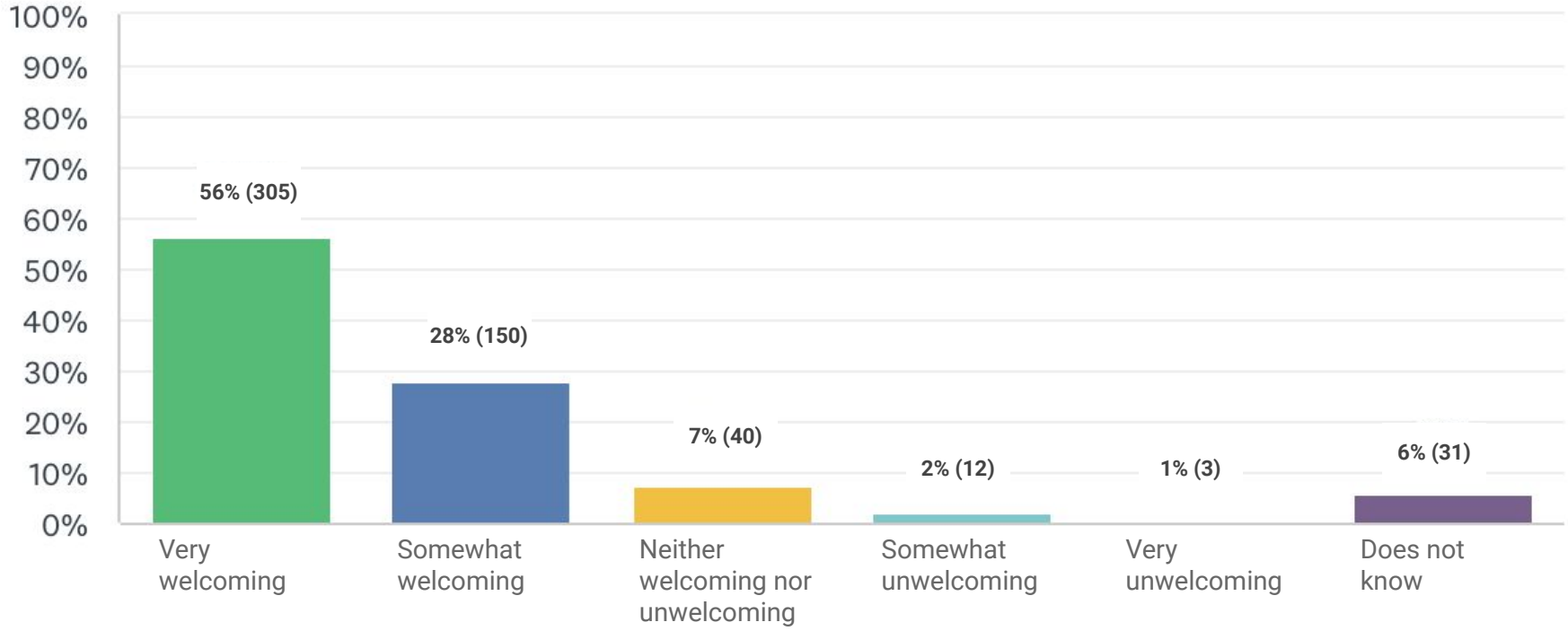

Opinion on what the impact of open source software on the quantum software community is:

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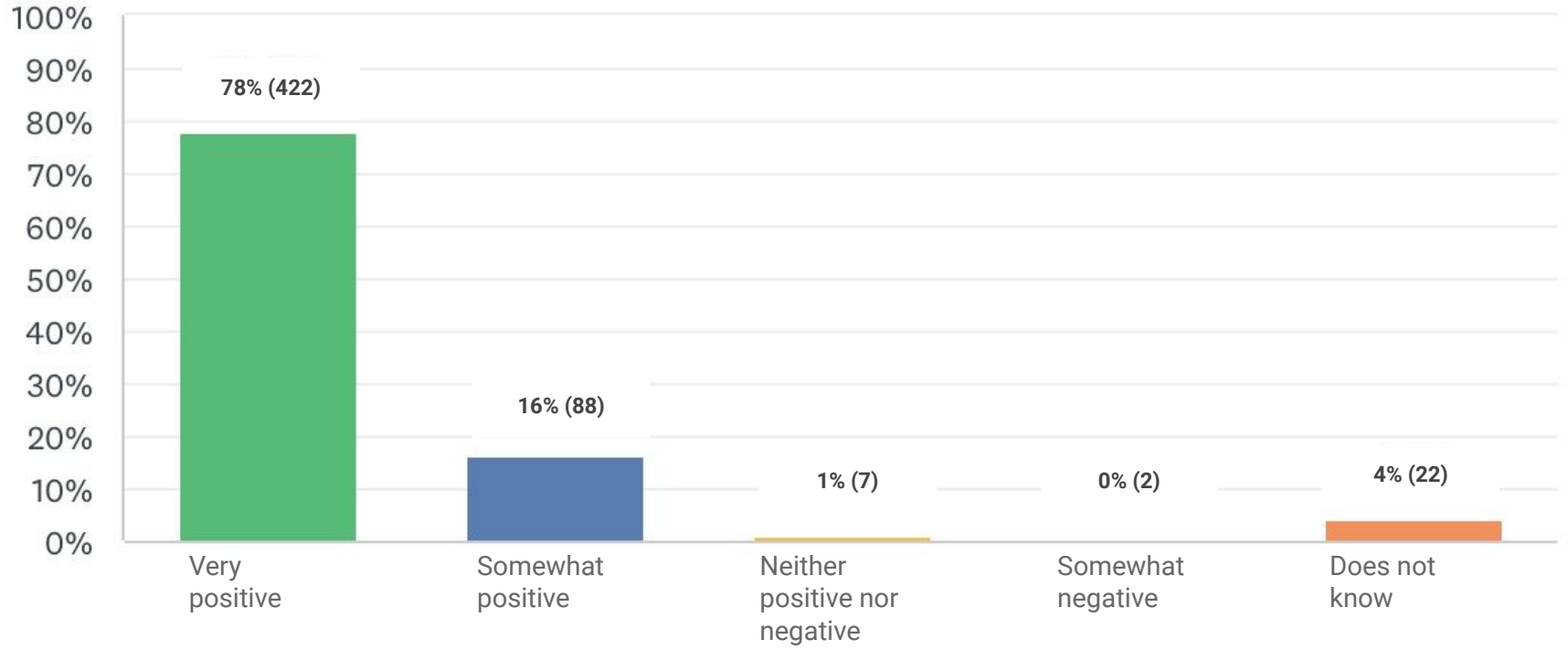

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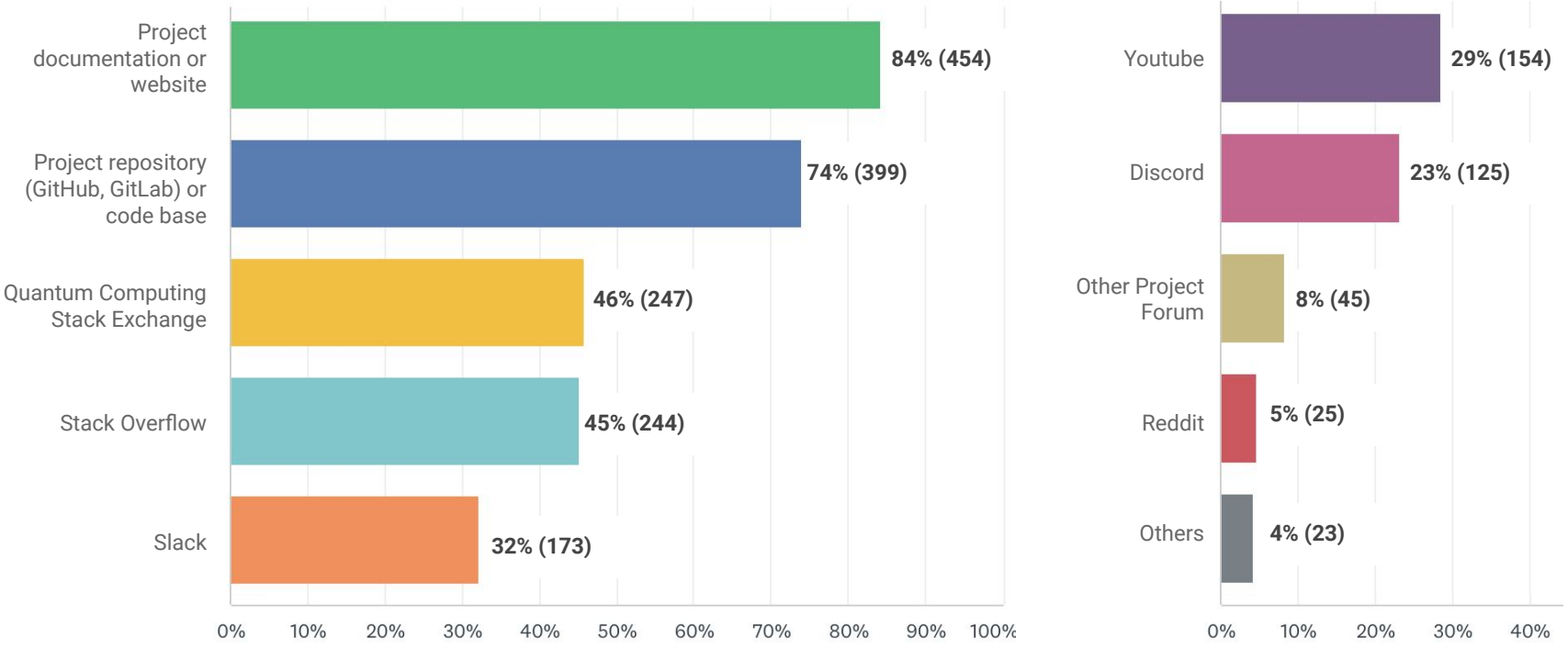

The types of resources/ engagements helpful for learning or contributing to quantum open source projects:

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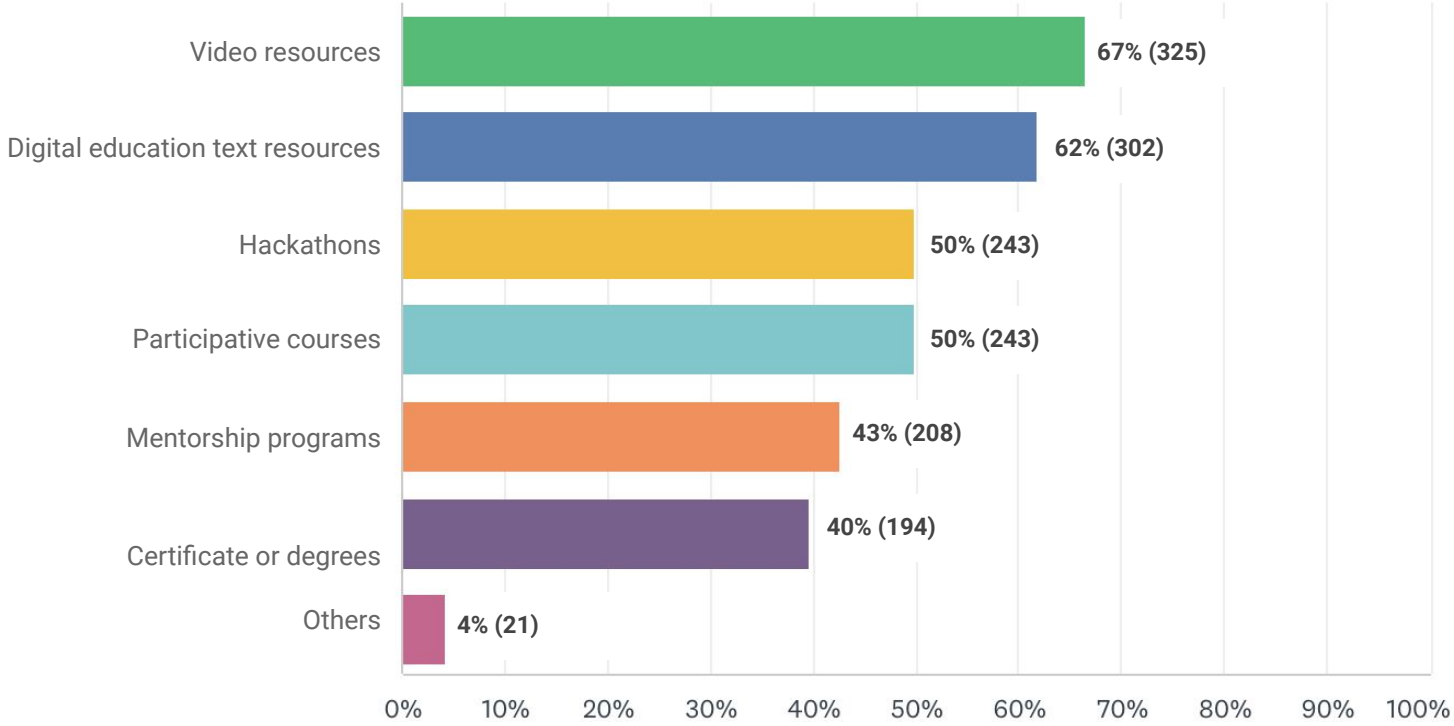

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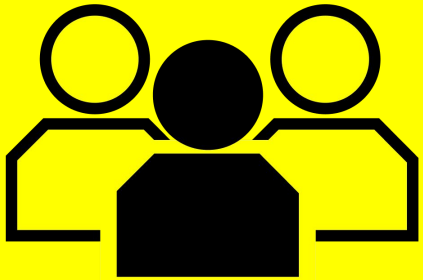

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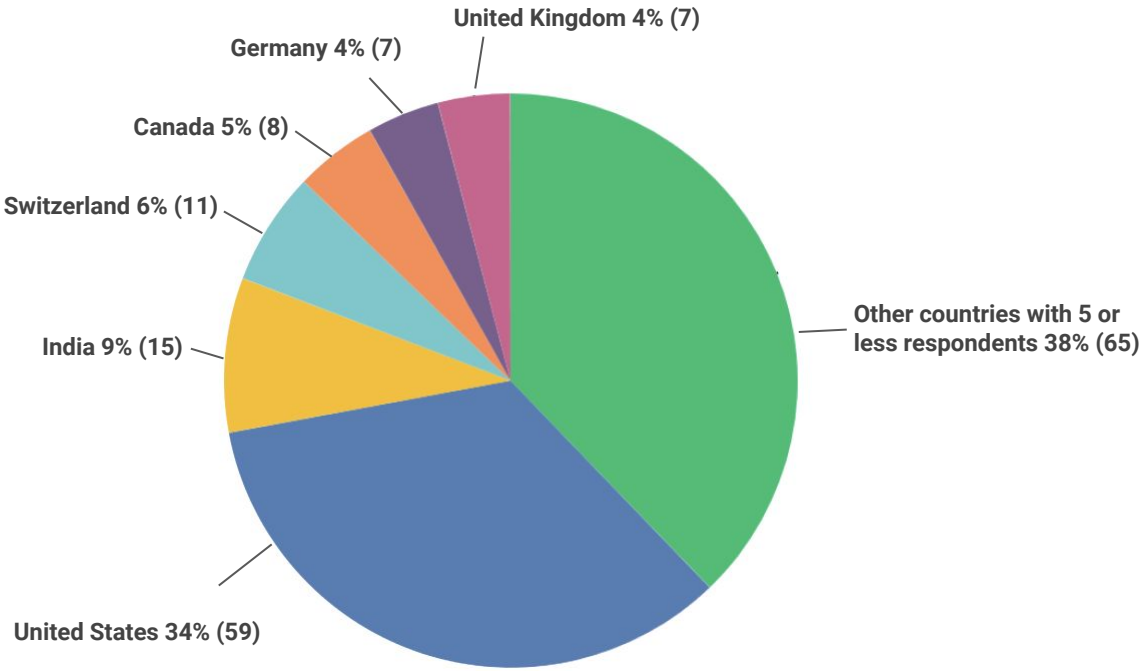

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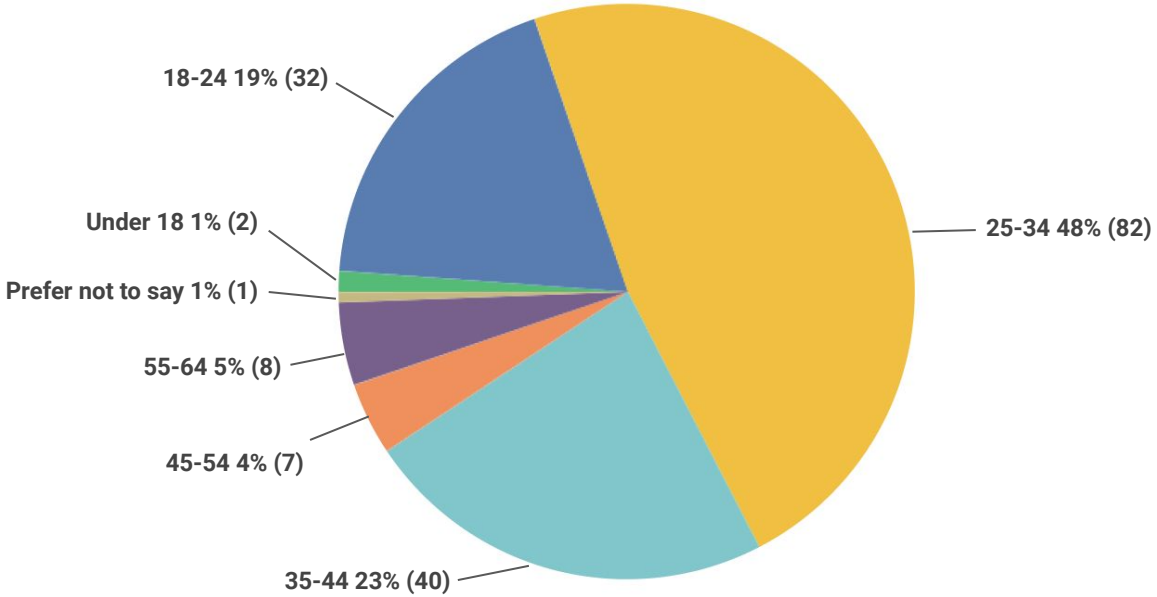

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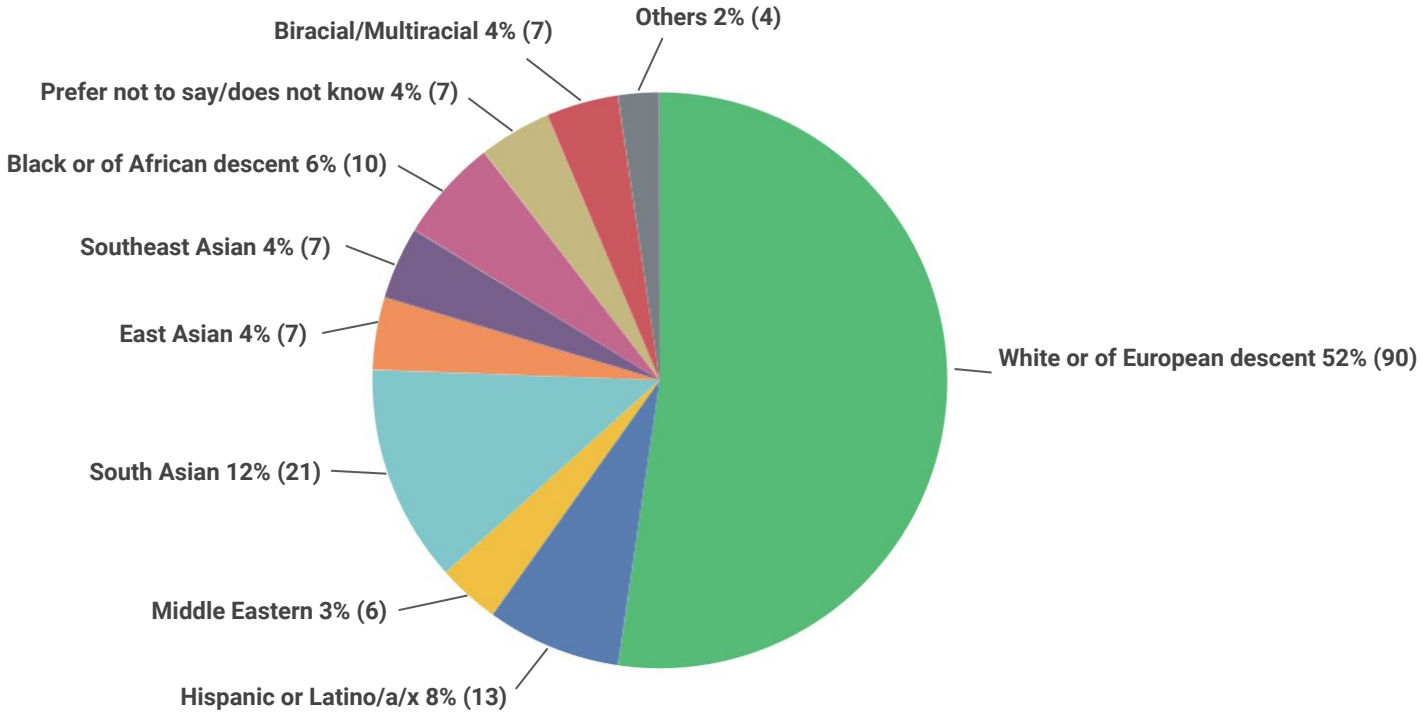

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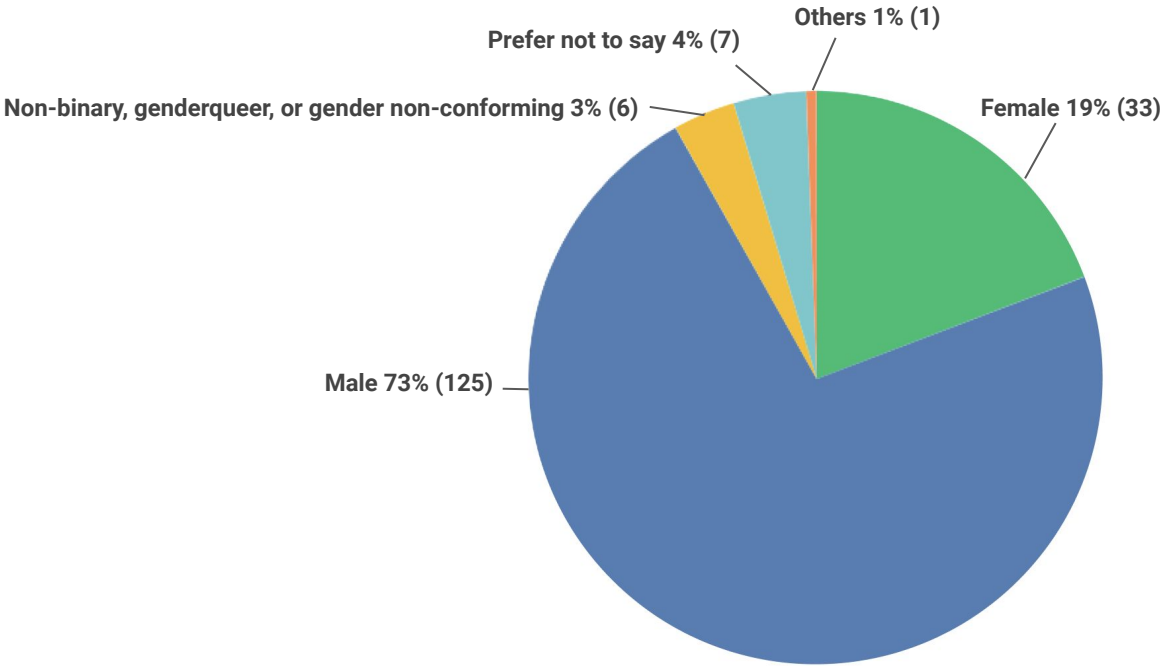

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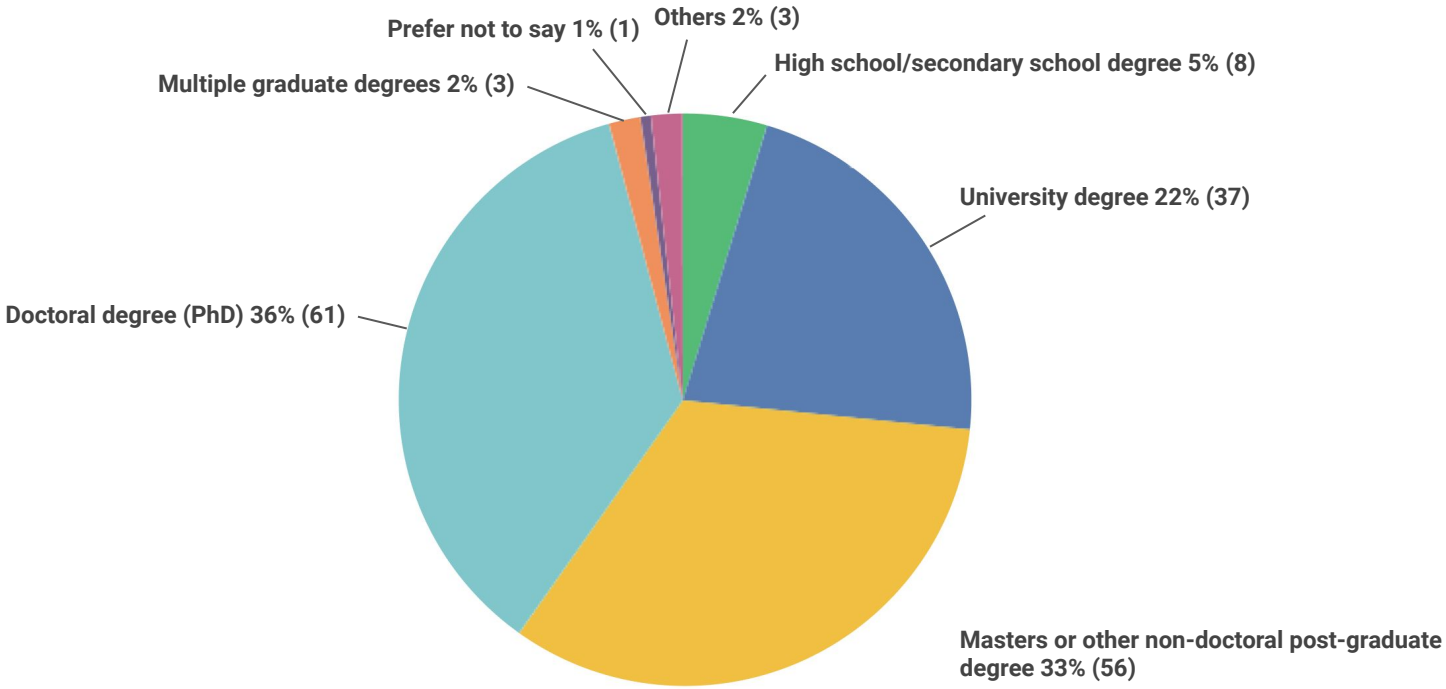

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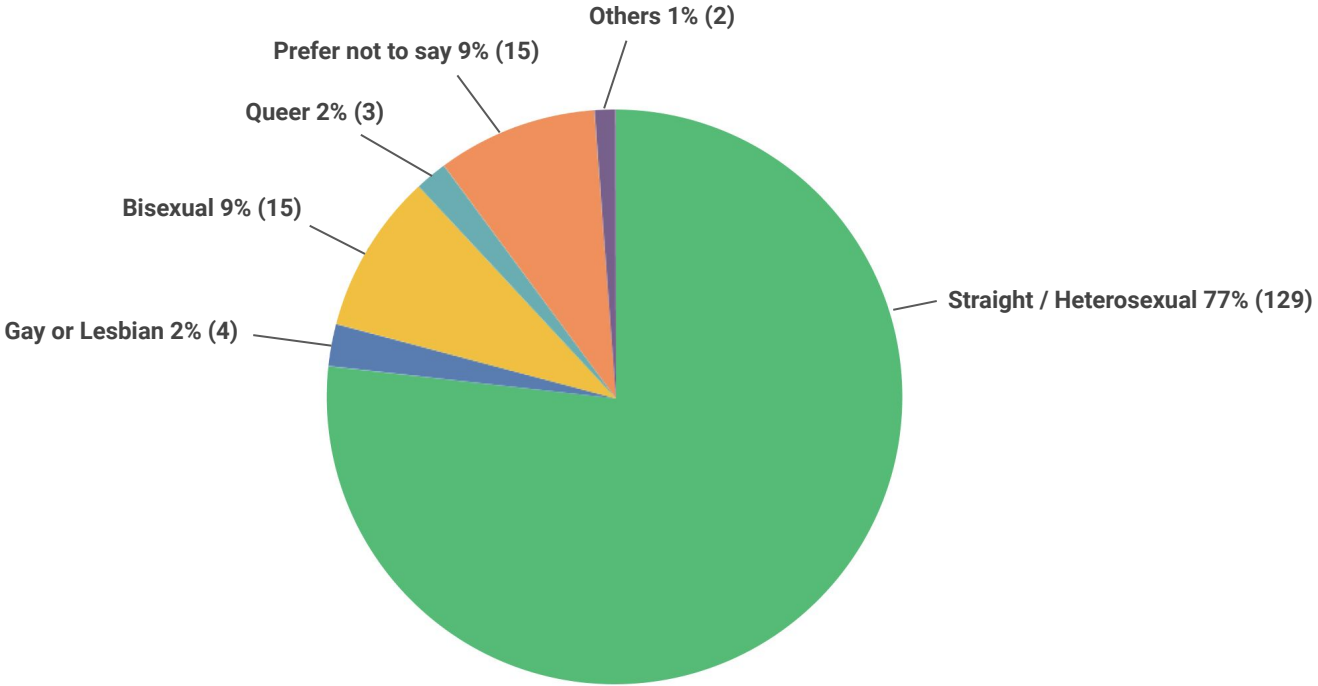

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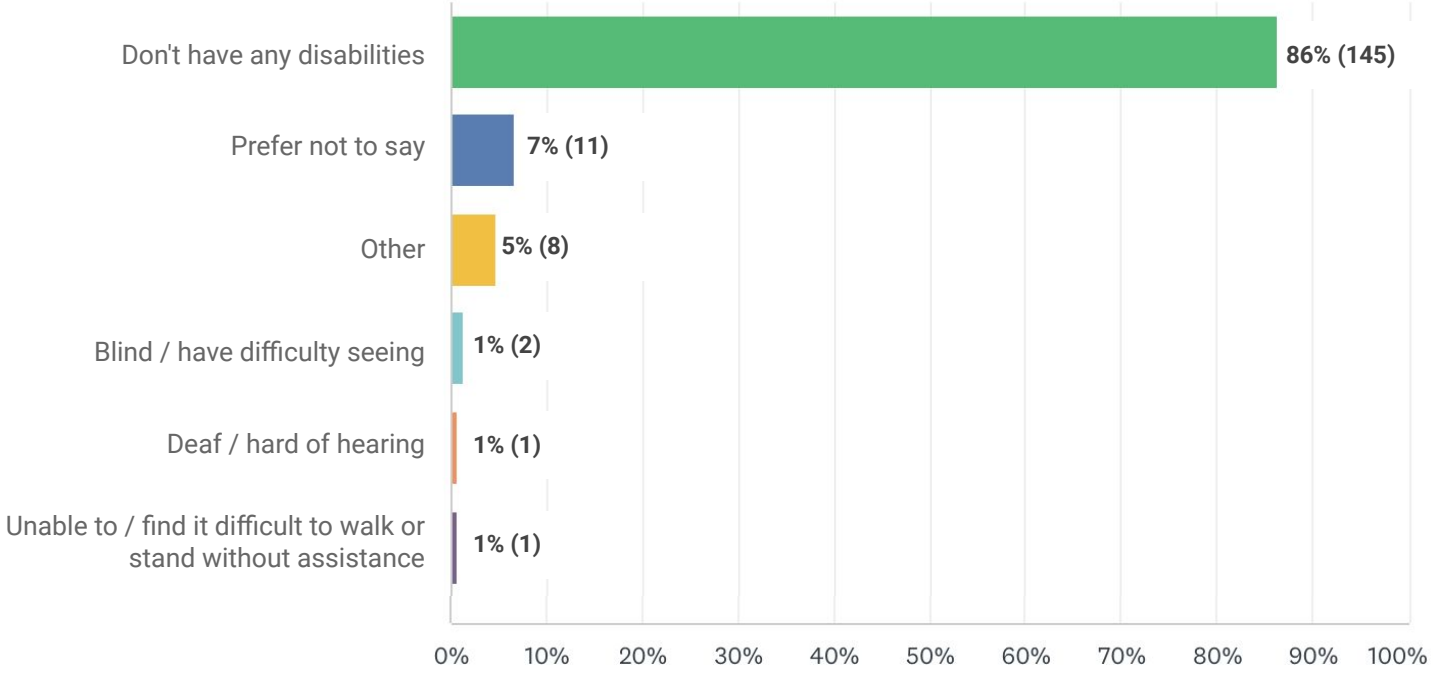

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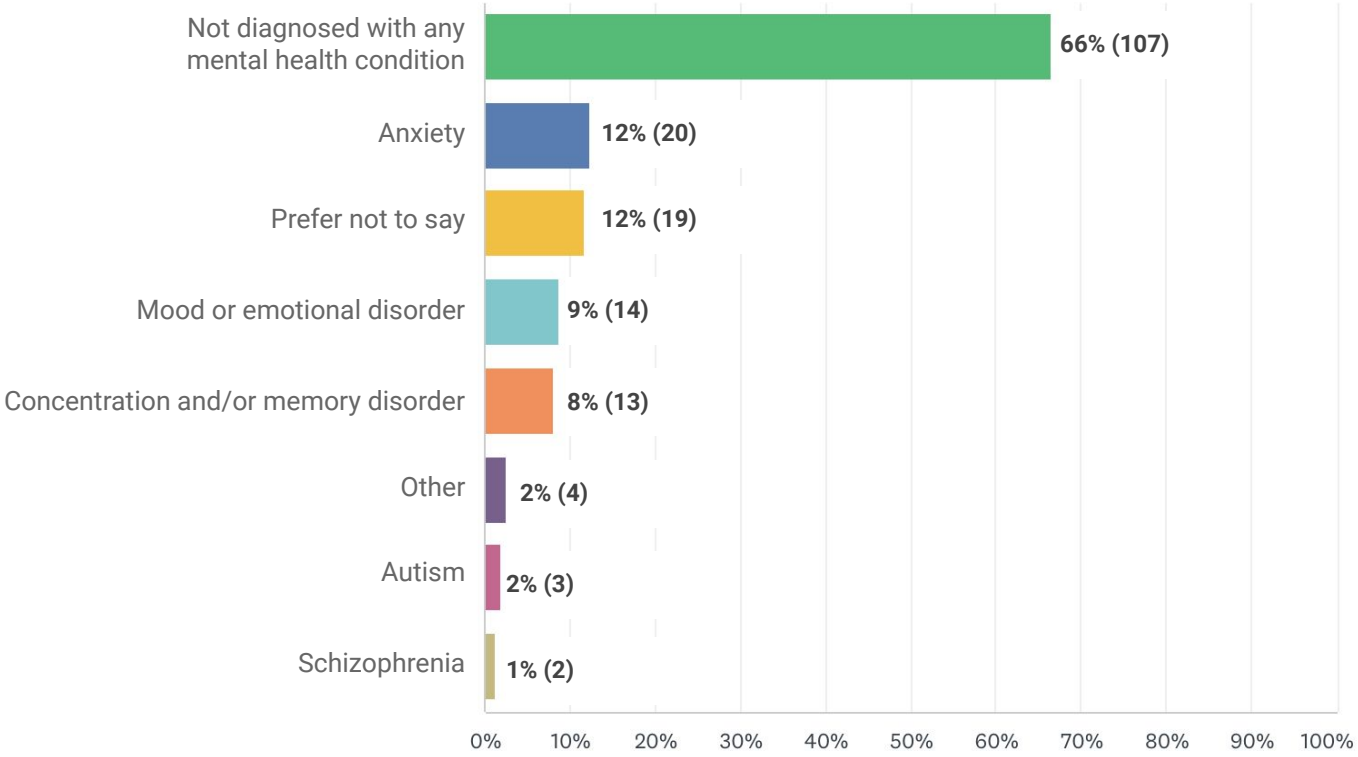

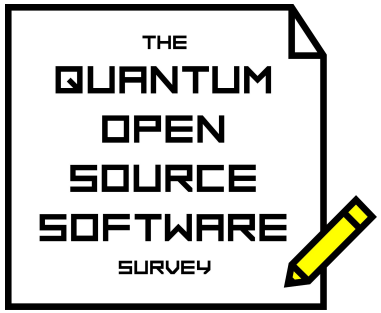

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Methodology

The quantum OSS projects listed in the software survey have been chosen among those with >50 stars on Github/GitLab included in the awesome-quantum-software list and other lists, excluding software focusing on tutorials, cryptography, experiments. The software projects and platforms have been divided in three categories: cloud services; software for full-stack development and simulator; application tools.

A draft of the survey has been circulated among Unitary Fund advisory board, board, program members and partners for feedback (including QOSF, Universal Quantum Education, QuantX). The survey has been open Sept. 7 – Oct. 7, 2022. The data is stored at github.com/unitaryfund/qoss-survey.

Unitary Fund circulated the surveys on its social media platforms (Discord, Twitter, LinkedIn, UF blog) and contacting major blogs (QC Report, Qiskit blog, PennyLane blog, etc.), newsletters (UF mailing list, QuTiP mailing list, ORNL quantum computing newsletter, IEEE Quantum Week, QED-c newsletter, academic networks, etc.), UF members, supporters and partners.