Sullivan SRO Survey Results

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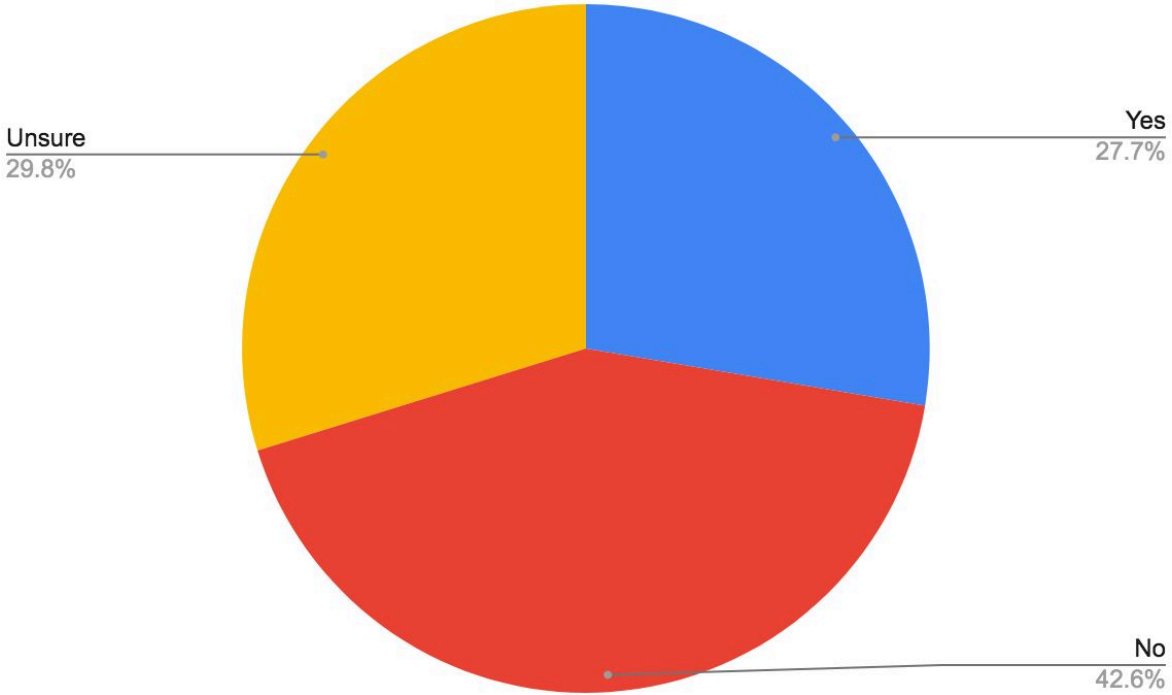

Student comments

- I mean they're presence won't hurt anybody but incase something happens they'll be there right away.
- I just feel like I don’t see nothing wrong with them being in the school building and making us feel safe.
- I feel a certain type of discrimination coming our way cuz majority or maybe all the suburbs schools dont have any SROs so why should our school have any, I've been hear for 3 years I have a sense of trust in Sullivan's security.
- I am a disabled student at Sullivan and feel safer and they are my friends.
- One time i got checked by the police officer I felt very uncomfortable
- Having police officers in our building is safer and you have peace of mind too. I personally feel safer knowing that they’re are police officers, city officials there to keep the peace and it makes me feel safer. You never know What could happen and it’s a better option to keep them if in case anything happens.
- The school is safe as it is with 2 police officers with all da racial things going on with da police bring more police is a bad idea💯
- Some student feel afraid especially our young fellow black people
- School resources officers don’t make me feel any safer than I would if they weren’t around. Due to the violence during this pandemic with the brutality towards colored people from officers makes them untrustworthy. I would feel a whole lot safer and comfortable if they went there.
- We are doing fine but the only thing are the kids that cause the problem

Student comments

- I feel that if we have police in the school then we are more safer from any harm that some one may want to bring to the school or anything bad happening in the school in general.
- If you take away the officers at Sullivan, more fights will happen and fights can go wrong very quickly. There's gang activity around the school and you want to make sure that the kids are AS SAFE AS POSSIBLE. Just because half of the students don't like the police officers because they can't do whatever they want to do, dosent mean it's right to take away officers. Please keep officers.
- At this point if we aren’t gonna go to school Cps might as well break their contract with the police and use the money to benefit us even more.
- They don’t do anything. I can not name one situation where they have interfered. The teachers and security are the main ones who break up fights and actually interact with us. The police just walk around and not speak. And they’re also 5 minutes away from the school so there’s no point of having them there everyday all day.
- well to begin with it’s a school so why would they have cops inside a school? i feel like security guards is enough. having police is a bit more intense and unreasonable. if something more intense were to happen and police is needed the school can contact police, if needed. but i don’t think there should be officers in school.

Student comments

- Security makes me feel protected, police make me feel like a victim
- When I get to school in the morning there are days where the metal detector glitches, although it might be an after thought to some, i feel safer knowing that there are police in school, anything can go wrong, anytime. Sullivan hasn't been known to be the safest school, but we are getting there, i understand some people might feel uneasy with them in school, but i am a part of the population that feels safer knowing they are in the halls, or in the police room, ready to help. I can't speak for the rest of CPS schools and whether or they they have bad experiences, but my experiences with the police men at Sullivan have been nothing but pleasant and reassuring.
- It's really difficult to make this decison. Personally I've never had any disputes with the police but the majority of other black boys and girls had disputes with the police, so it's not good to feel "safe and happy" when there is a majority of other black boys and girls who don't feel safe in the hands of the police. I would rather get rid of the police so that all of us can be happy and feel safe while at school as it should be. Some people may disagree but that's my opinion. Im sorry to use black boys and girls moslty becasue tgey are often mistreted by the police and yes other people too do not feel safe and comfortable in the hands of the police.

Student Comments

- No because part of the reason we feel safe at Sullivan is because we trust our teachers and staff at Sullivan. We feel as if we could confide with our teachers with whatever problem we may have. Sullivan is a safe place where we could learn and trust the staff . If that trust was however broken at Sullivan it would be because police are monitoring us at school all the time. Making it an uncomfortable and a unnecessary adjustment, making kids feel unsafe and at worried.
- Well I find some security guards nice and very respectful but I think the only negative part is that when there's a fight it takes time for them to get there to break it down.
- THANK YOU.
- They barley did something in Sullivan so it wouldn't make a difference if they were gone
- I feel that they don't contribute anything in our school environment. Therefore they are not needed and it is a waste to have them here. Not only that but our school already has restorative practices in place in situations where harm is caused. As well as if there were a situation that is dangerous we need people who are able to deescalate situations rather than SRO's who are only there to interviene once the damage has been done.
- People be having drugs or alcohol and I feel like one day the people gonna go and do something. Sometimes fights break out and its safer to have them.
- I do not know

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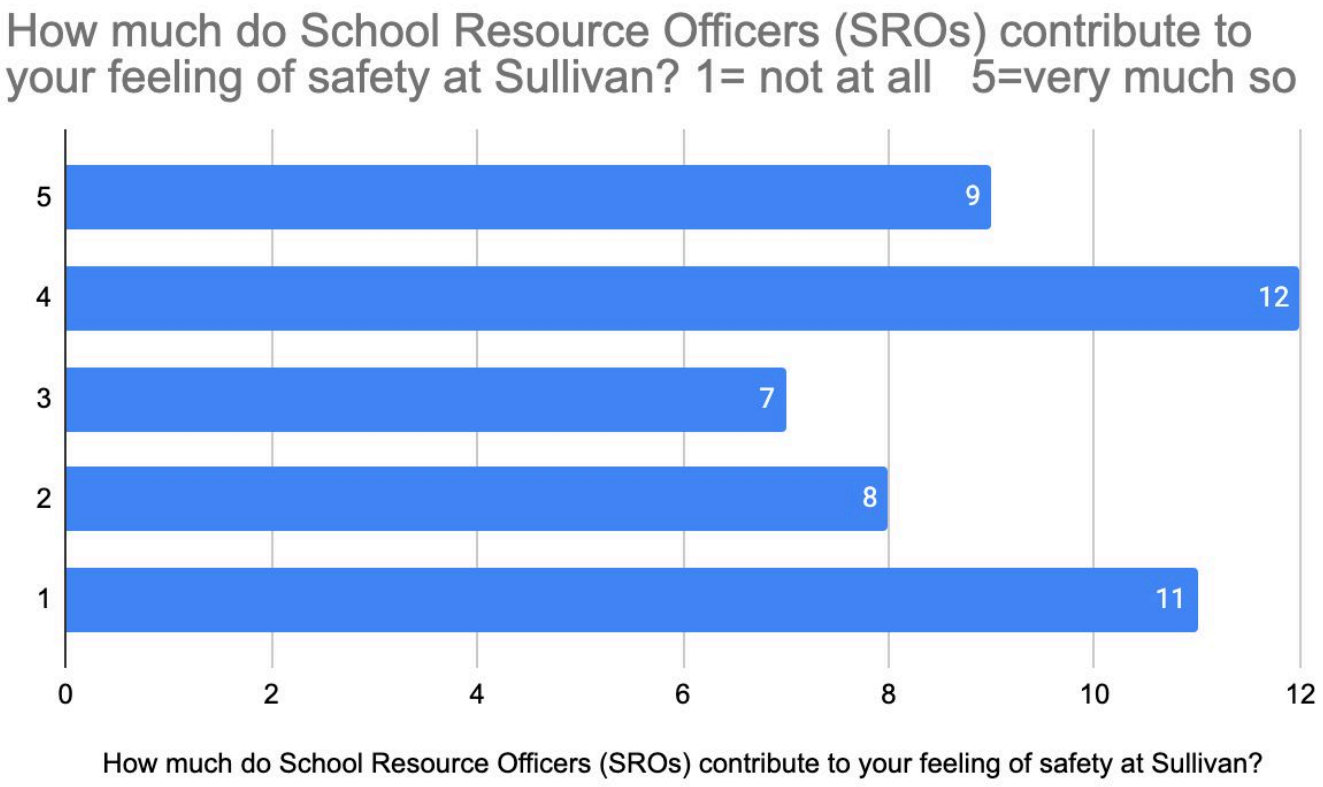

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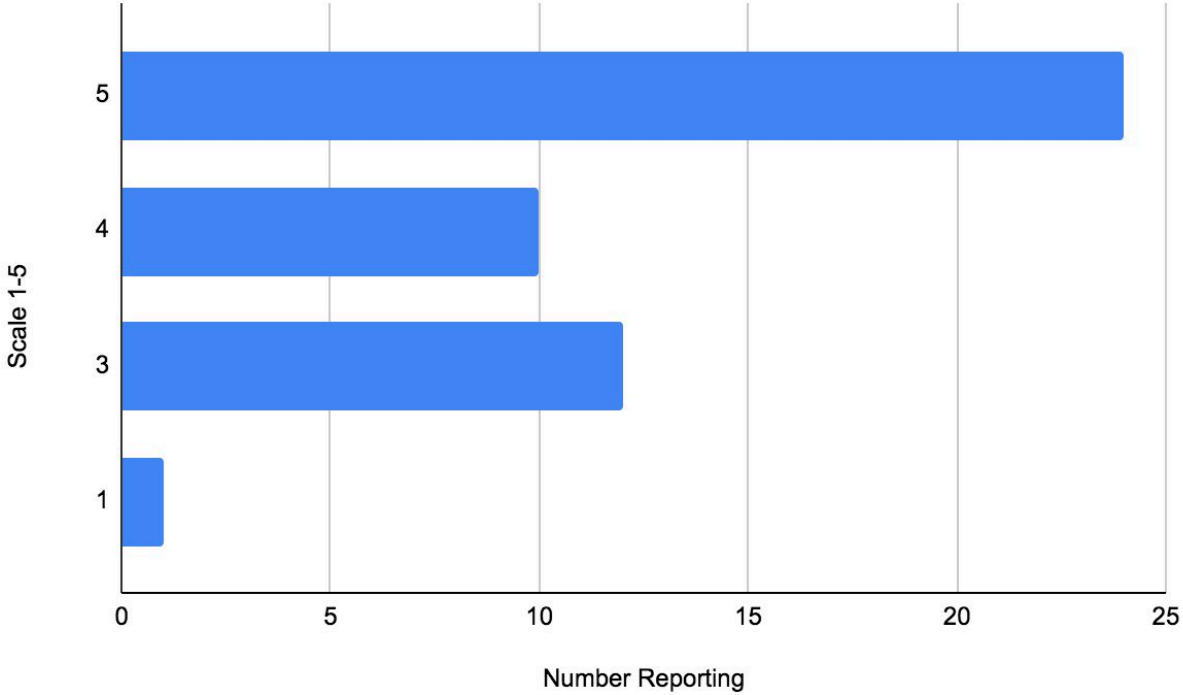
On a scale of 1-5, how safe do you typically feel at Sullivan on a daily basis? (1=not safe at all → 5=very safe)



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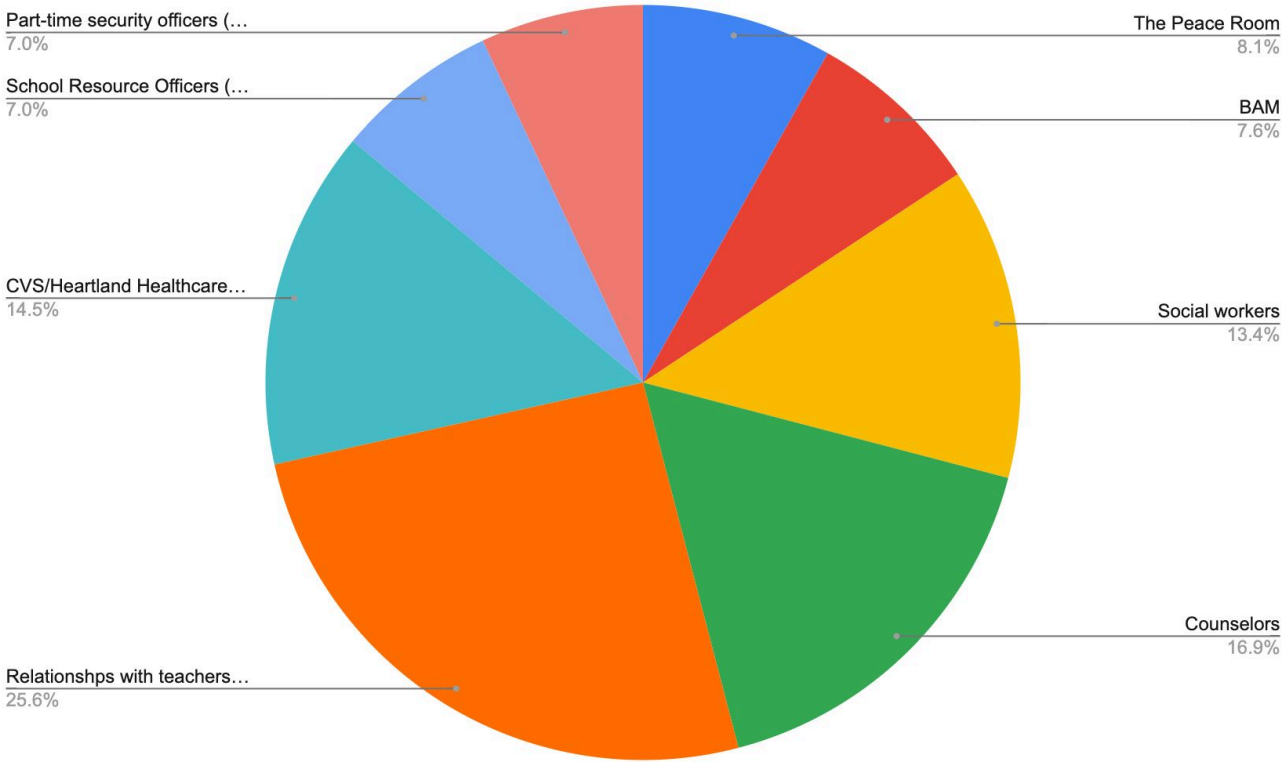

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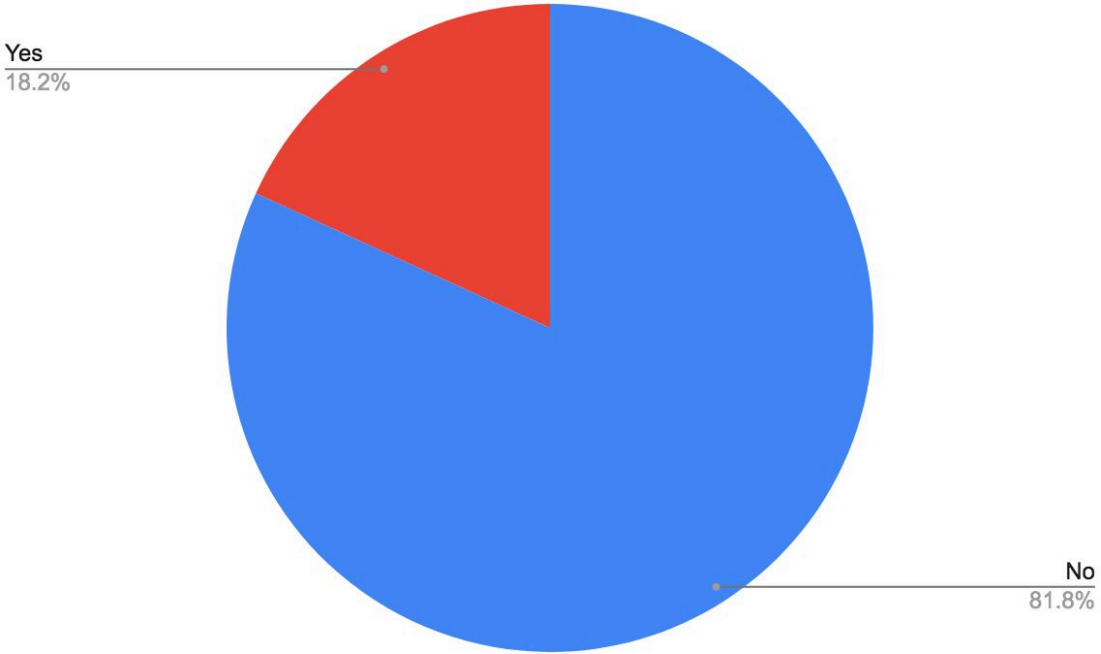

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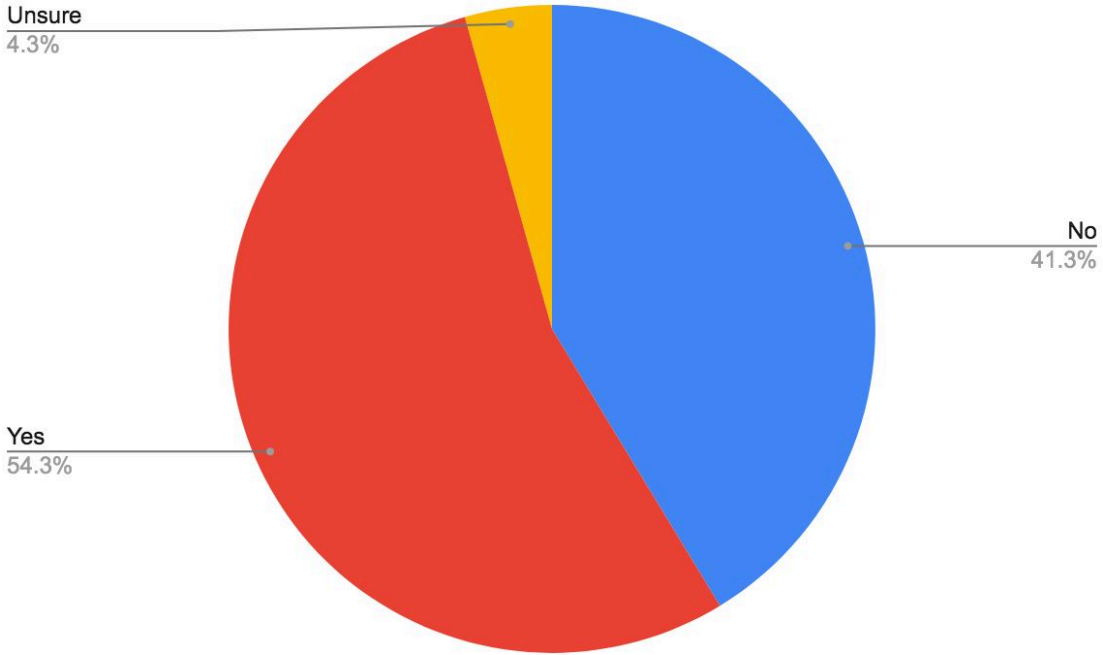

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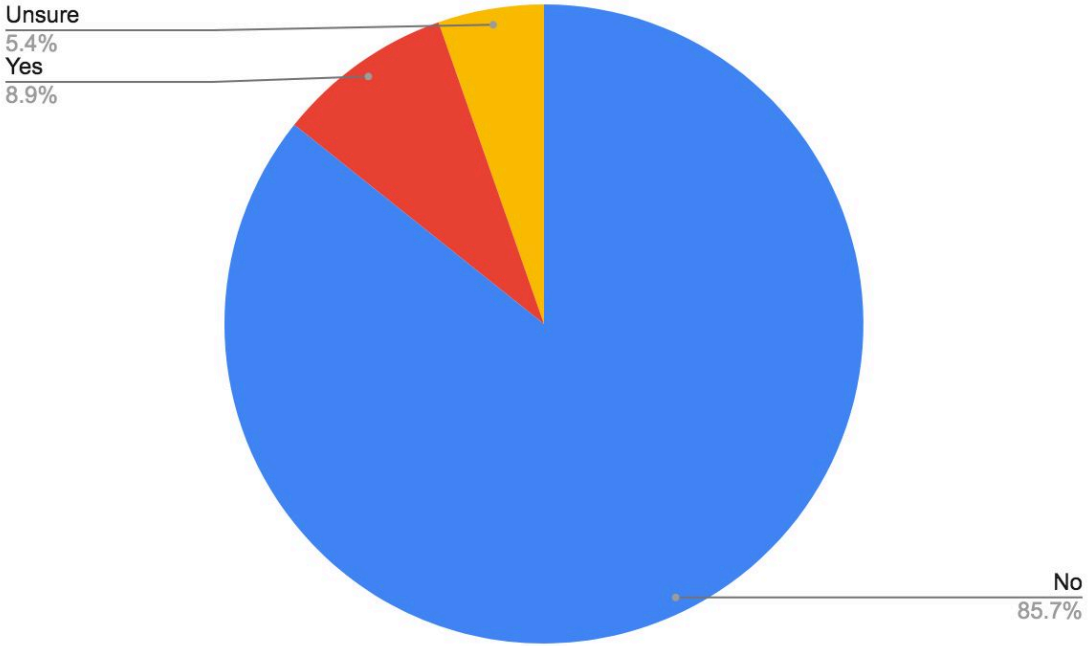

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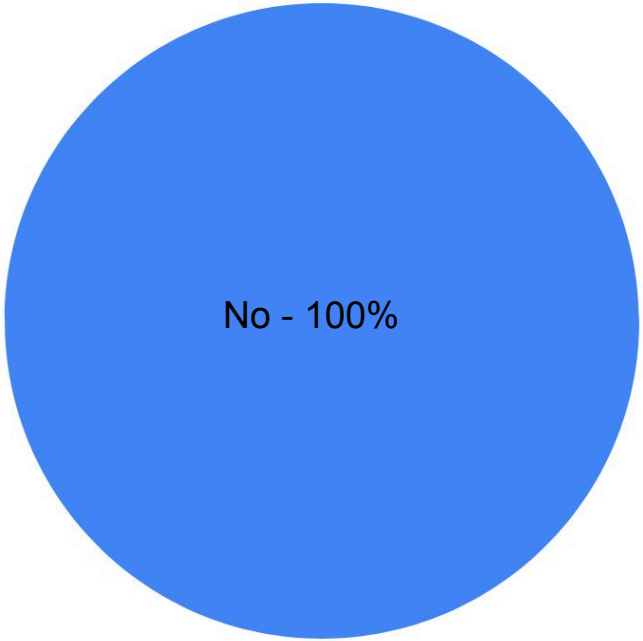
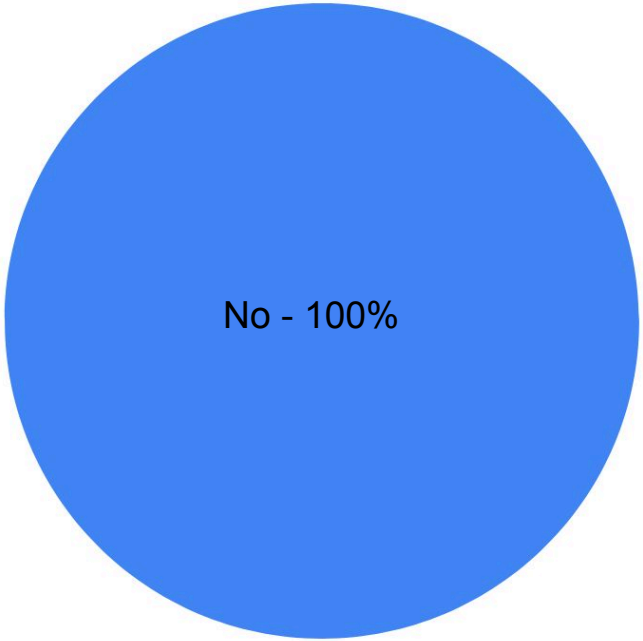
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