



STOP EPIDEMIC GROWTH
THROUGH LEARNING



Evaluation of the target groups

Targeted questionnaire



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Survey structure

1st block - Demographic questions

- Country of residence
- Age
- Education level
- **Job position**

6 Social measures

7 Healthcare
measures

6 Political measures

2nd block - Targeted questions

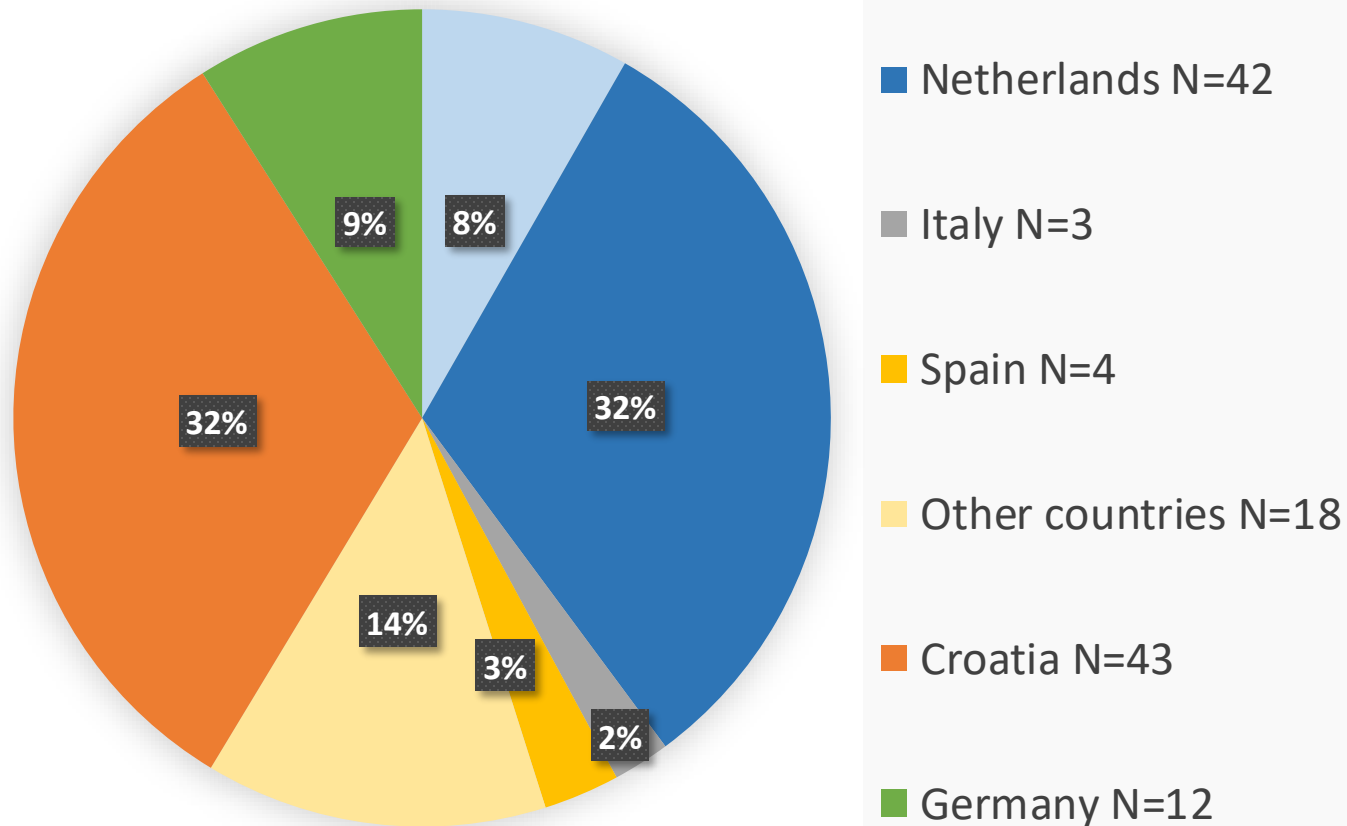
3rd block – Additional open questions

- Are there additional measures?
- Are there supplementary thoughts?

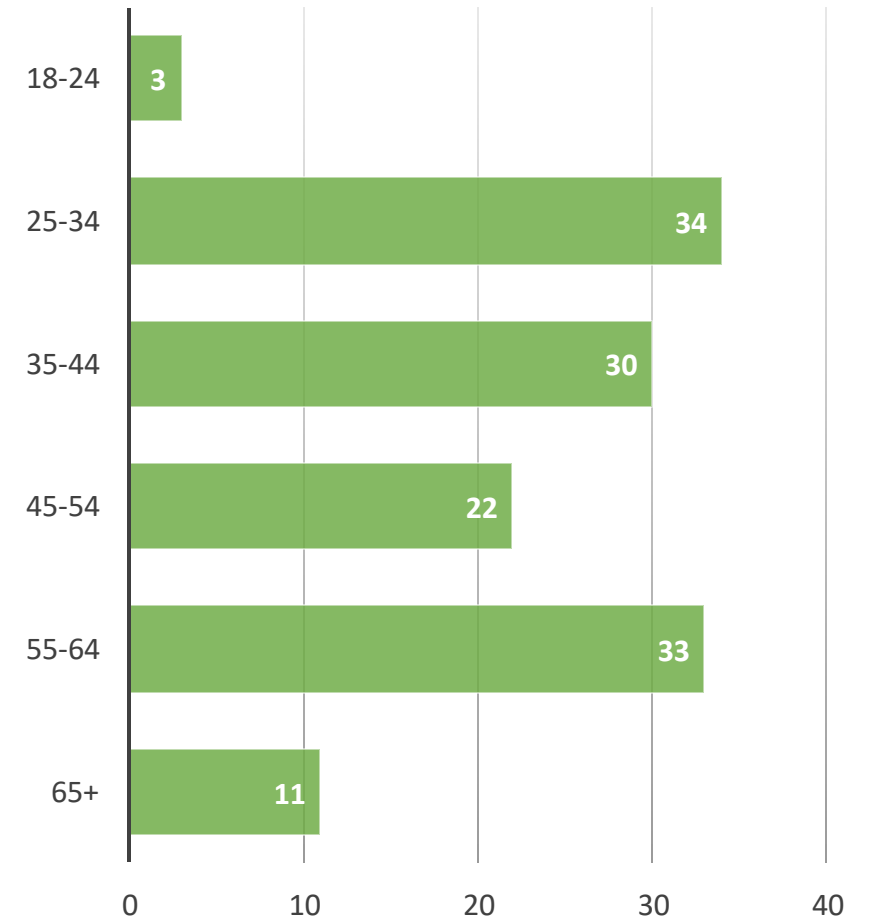
1st block – Demographic characteristics of the sample (N=133)



Q1 Country of residence



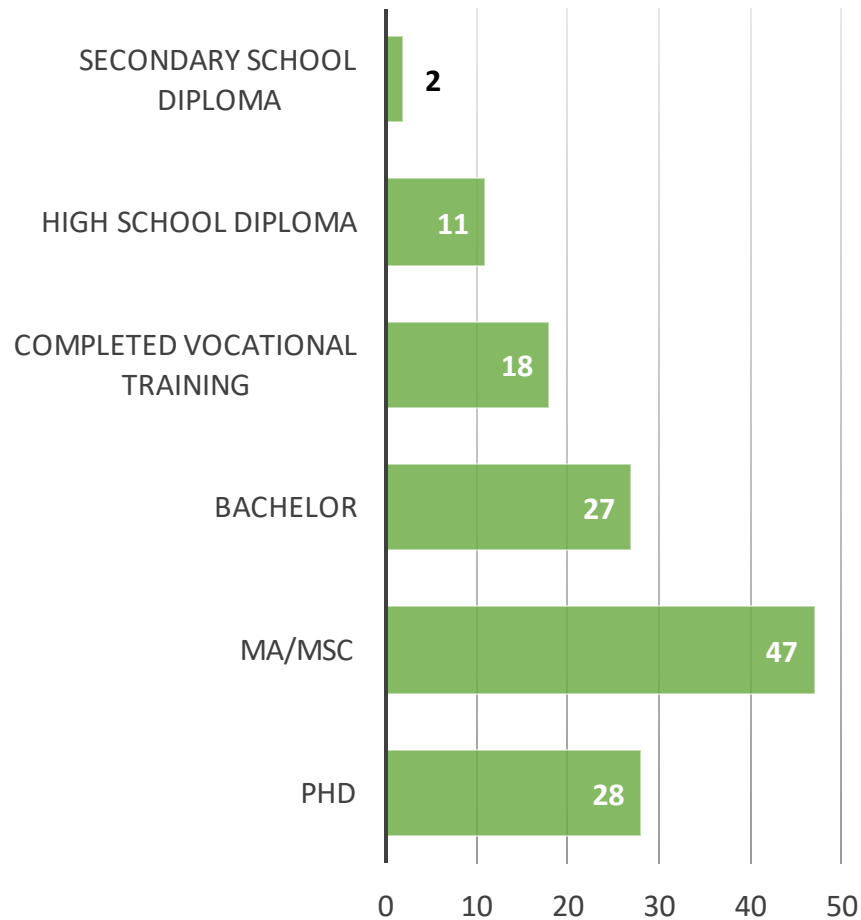
Q2 Age



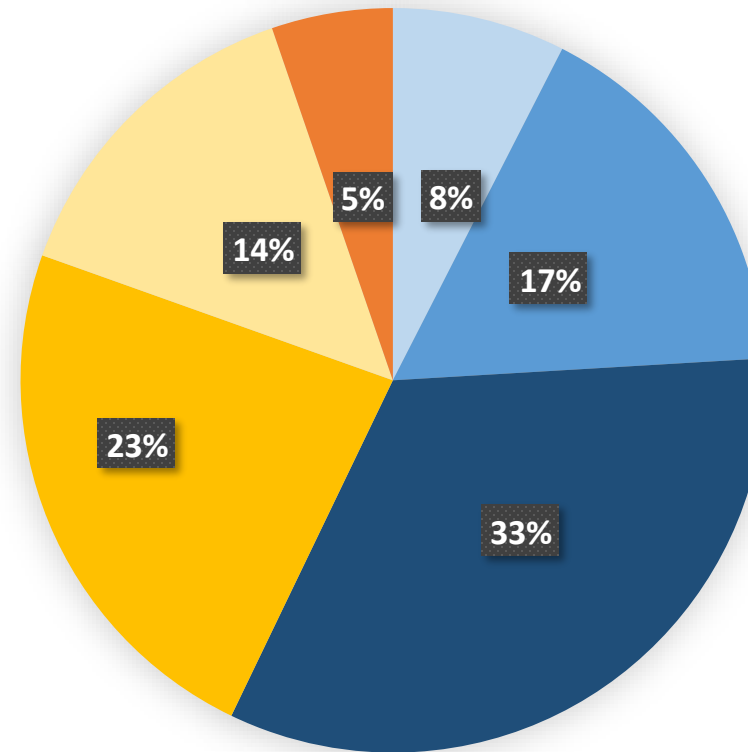
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Q3 Education



Q4 Job positions



- Volunteer N=10
- Social Care Worker N=22
- Other profession N=44
- Healthcare Professionals N=31
- Public Health Worker N=19
- Municipality Official N=7

Survey structure - 2nd block



- Volunteers
- Social care workers
- Other professions



6 Social measures

- Healthcare professionals
- Public health workers



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2nd block

Respondents had to evaluate measures corresponding to their job position:

- Rating questions
- Yes/No question
- 2 open questions

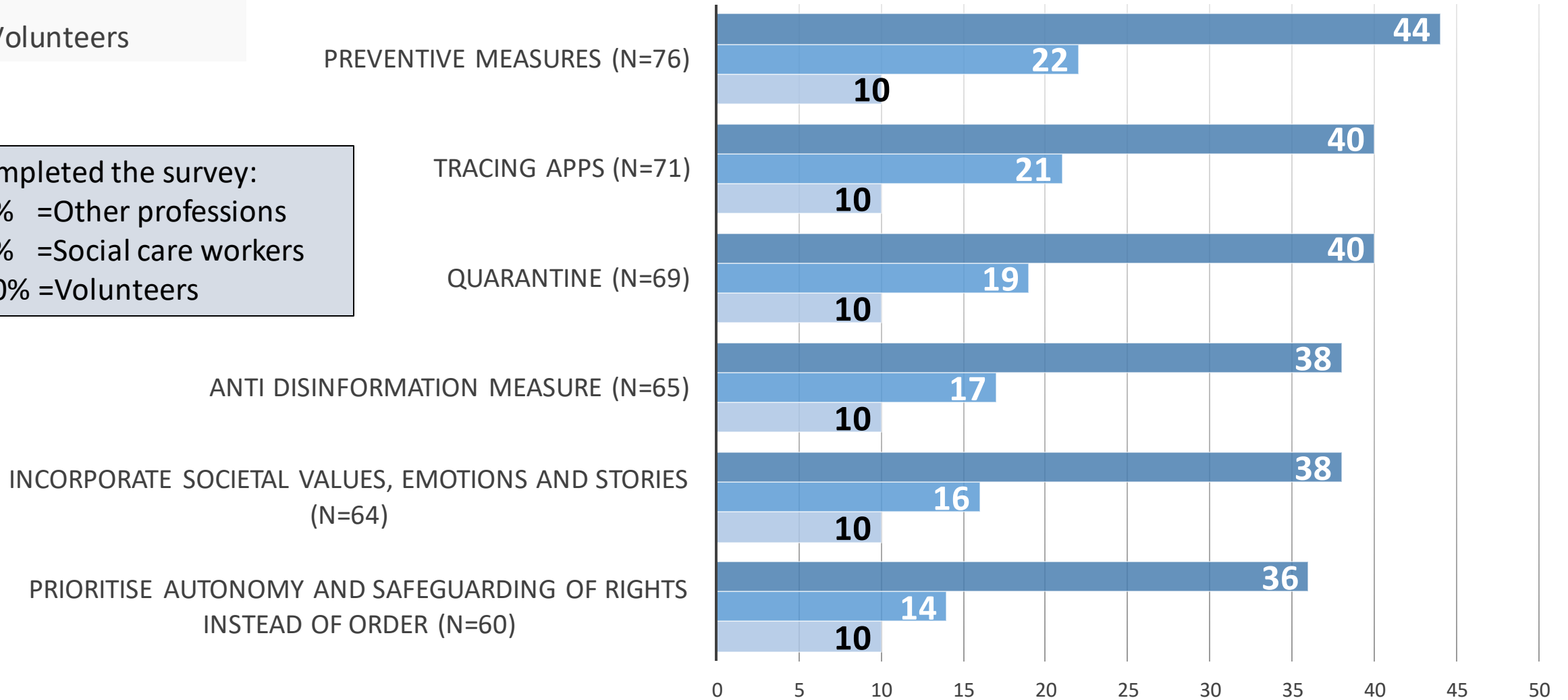
2nd block – Targeted questions – Social measures



- Other professions
- Social care workers
- Volunteers

Completed the survey:
82% =Other professions
64% =Social care workers
100% =Volunteers

Number of answers

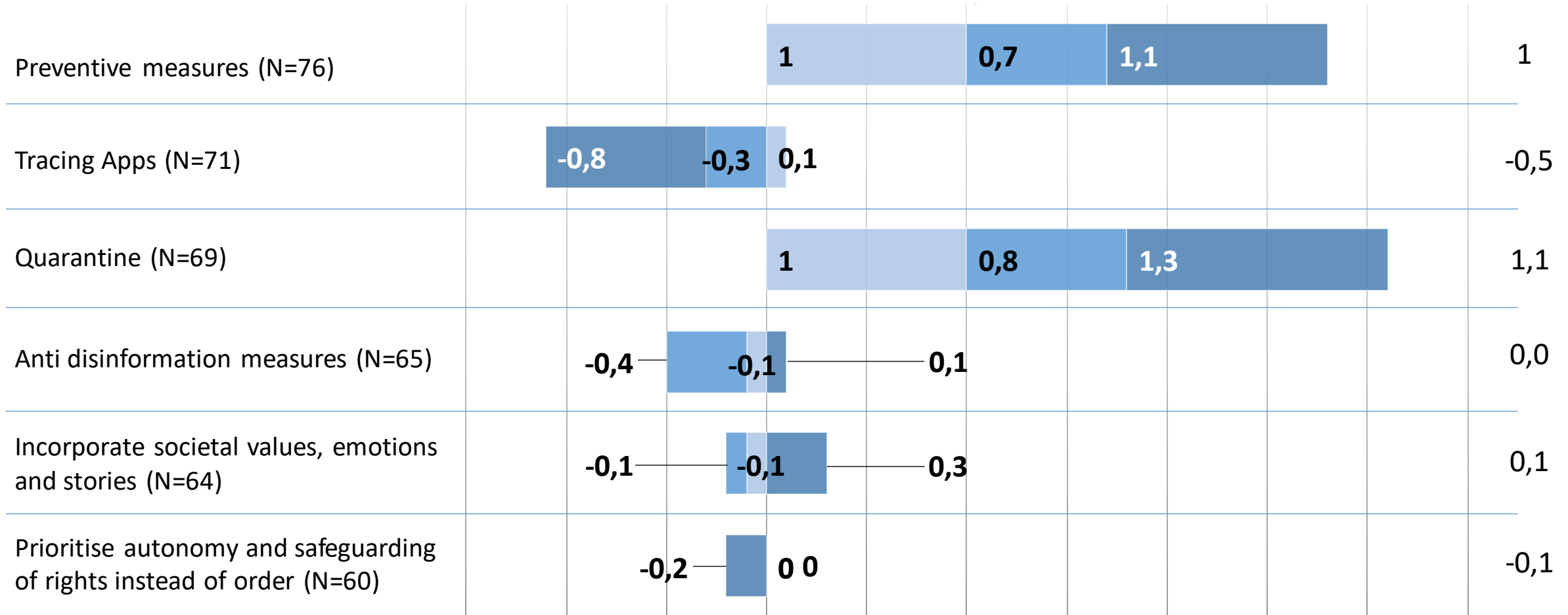


Weighted averages - Social measures



Effectiveness in preventing the spread of COVID-19 (-2 to 2)

Volunteers Social care workers Other professions

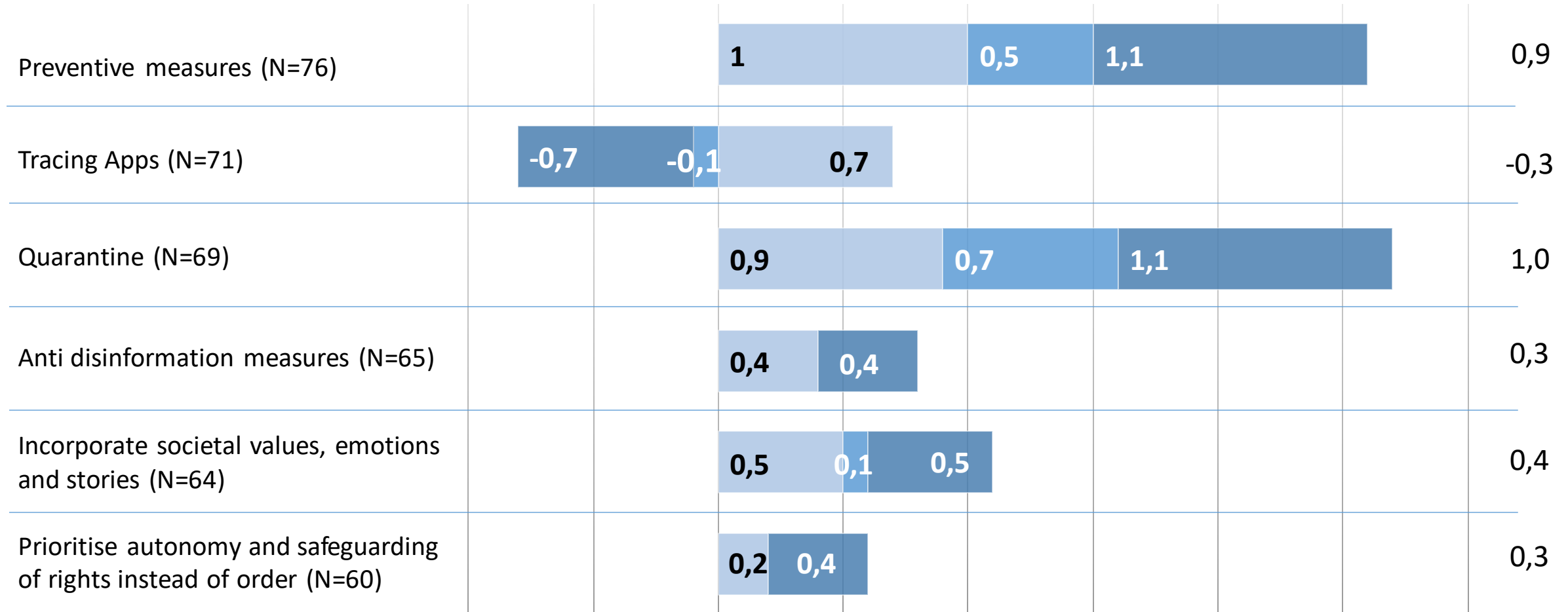


Weighted averages - Social measures

Acceptance of the measures (-2 to 2)



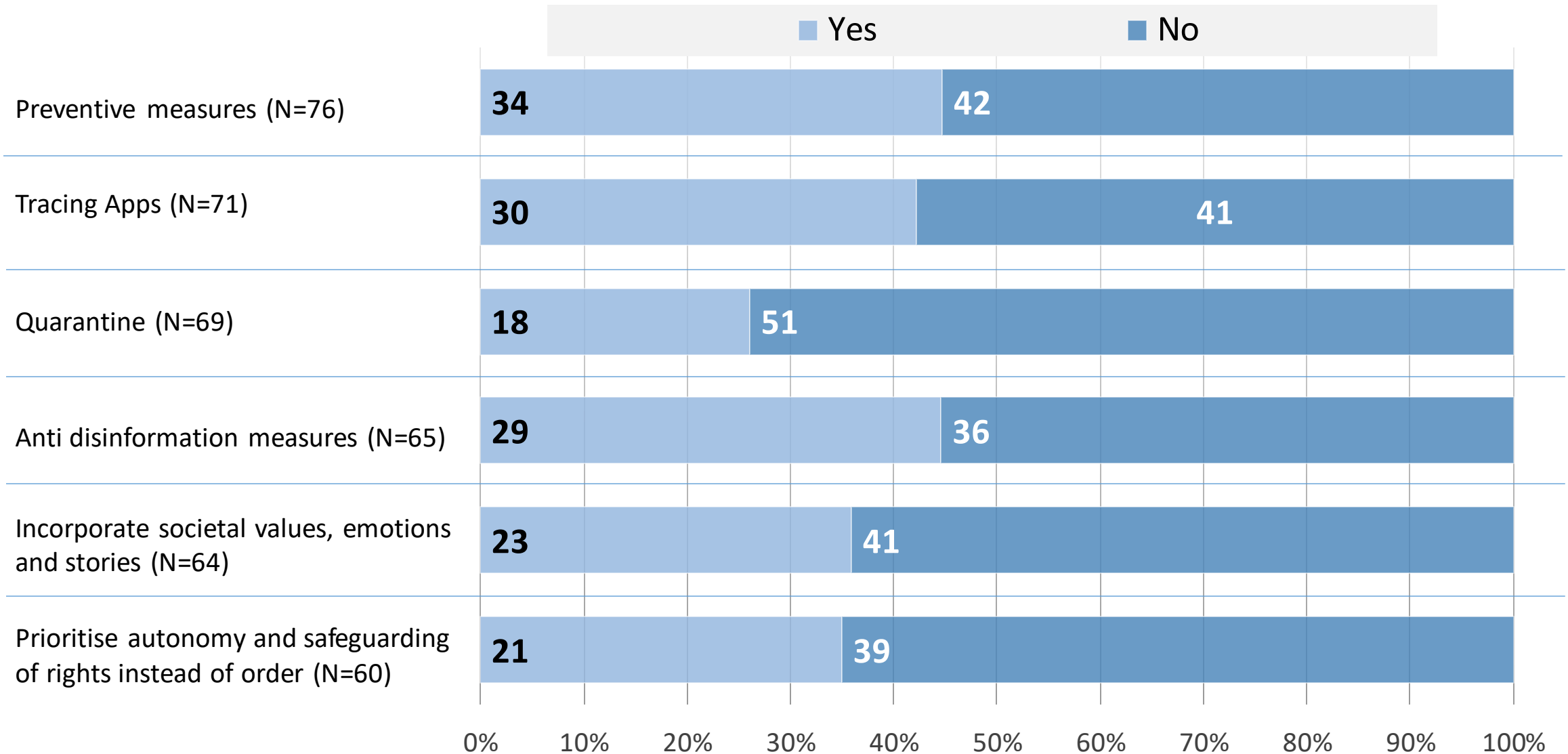
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Closed questions - Social measures



Would you have changed anything in applying the measure?



Open question contexts - Social measures



Quarantine

What was the positive outcome by implementing the measure?

- Feeling more secure in dealing with others (3)
- Less dispersion/spread of the virus (35)

If yes, what would you change in applying the measures?

- A general quarantine of the whole population has had more detrimental consequences for mental health, chronic diseases, obesity, etc.
- Free PCR testing (2)
- More monitoring of compliance (4)
- Better/clearer communication (4)

Open question contexts - Social measures



Tracing apps

What was the positive outcome by implementing the measure?

- More responsibility on the part of ordinary people (3)
- Promotion of risk awareness (3)
- Quicker determination of potential infections (7)

If yes, what would you change in applying the measures?

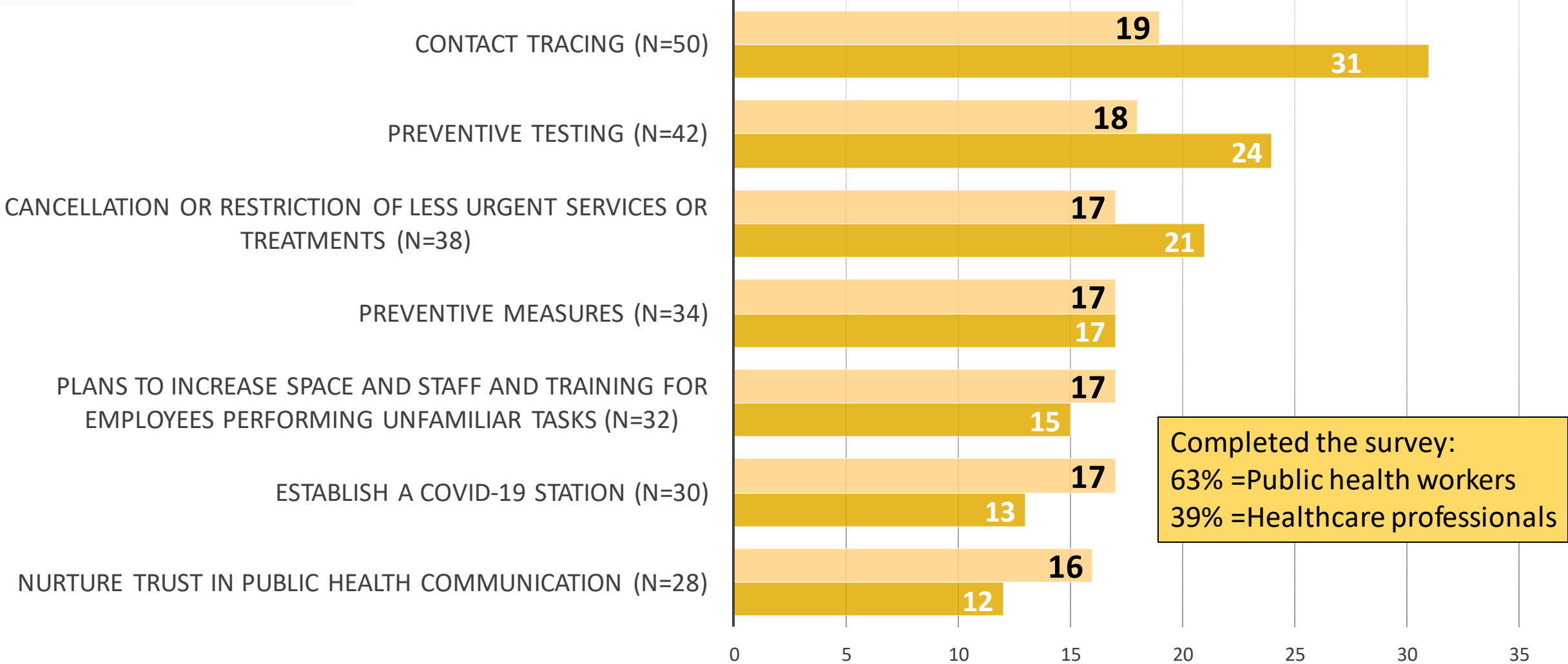
- Allow doing free PCR tests because of the app status (2)
- Add a verified data protection (2)
- There should have been an obligation to use the app (2)
- Should be designed more user friendly and with a more communicative design (7)
- Create a better app version (7)

2nd block – Targeted questions – Healthcare measures



- Public health workers
- Healthcare professionals

Number of answers

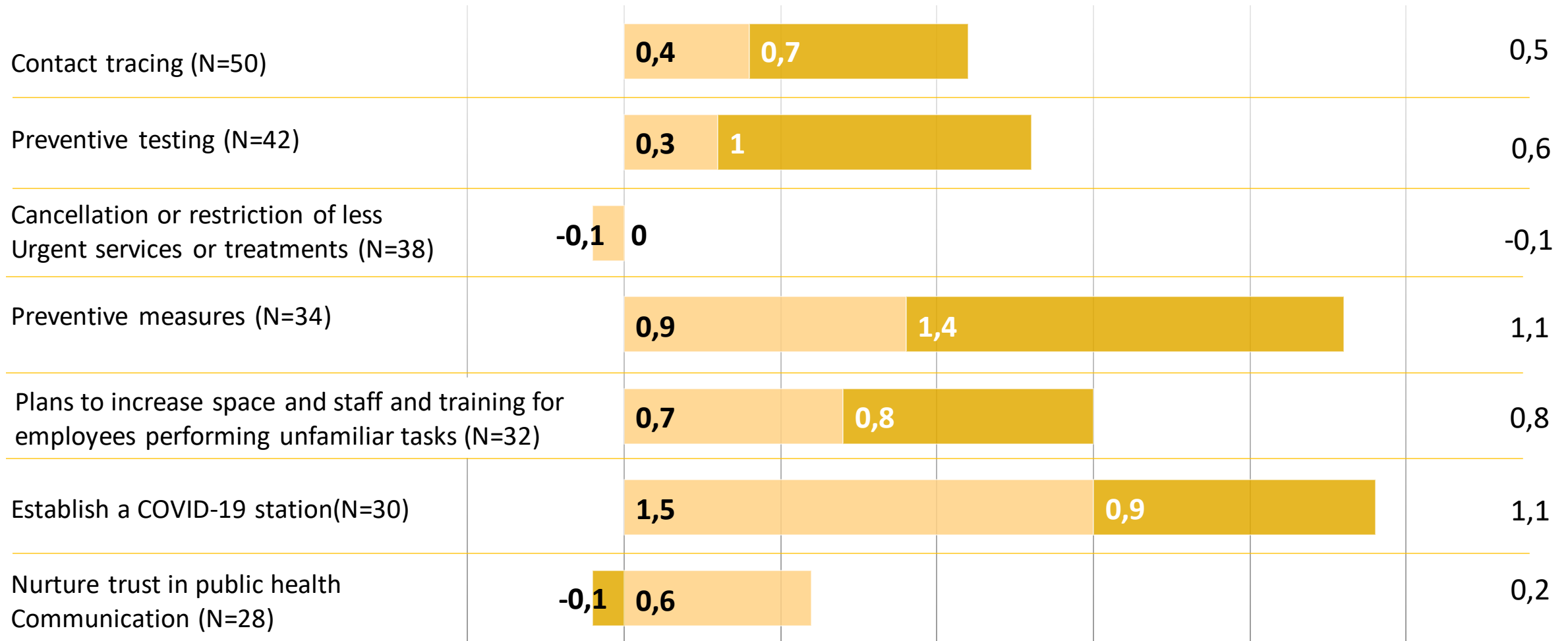


Weighted averages - Healthcare measures



Effectiveness in preventing the spread of COVID-19 (-2 to 2)

Healthcare Professionals Public Health Workers



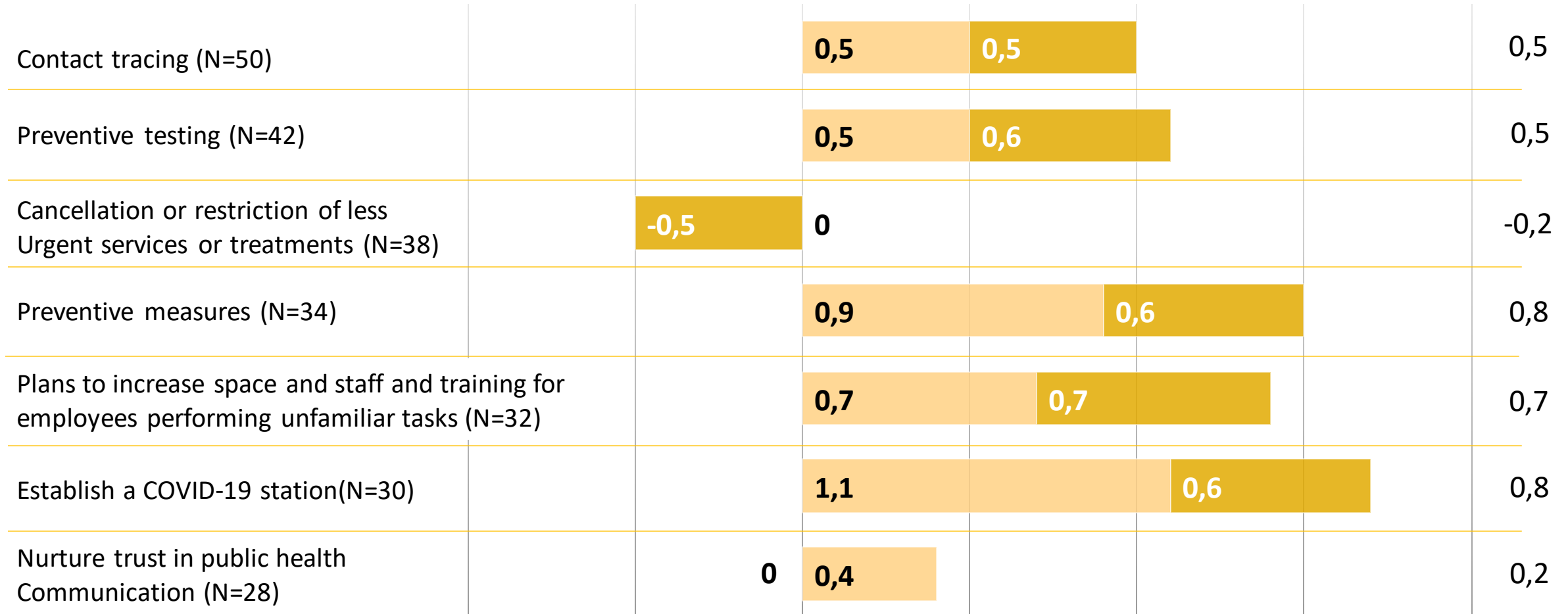
Weighted averages - Healthcare measures



Acceptance of the measures (-2 to 2)

Healthcare Professionals

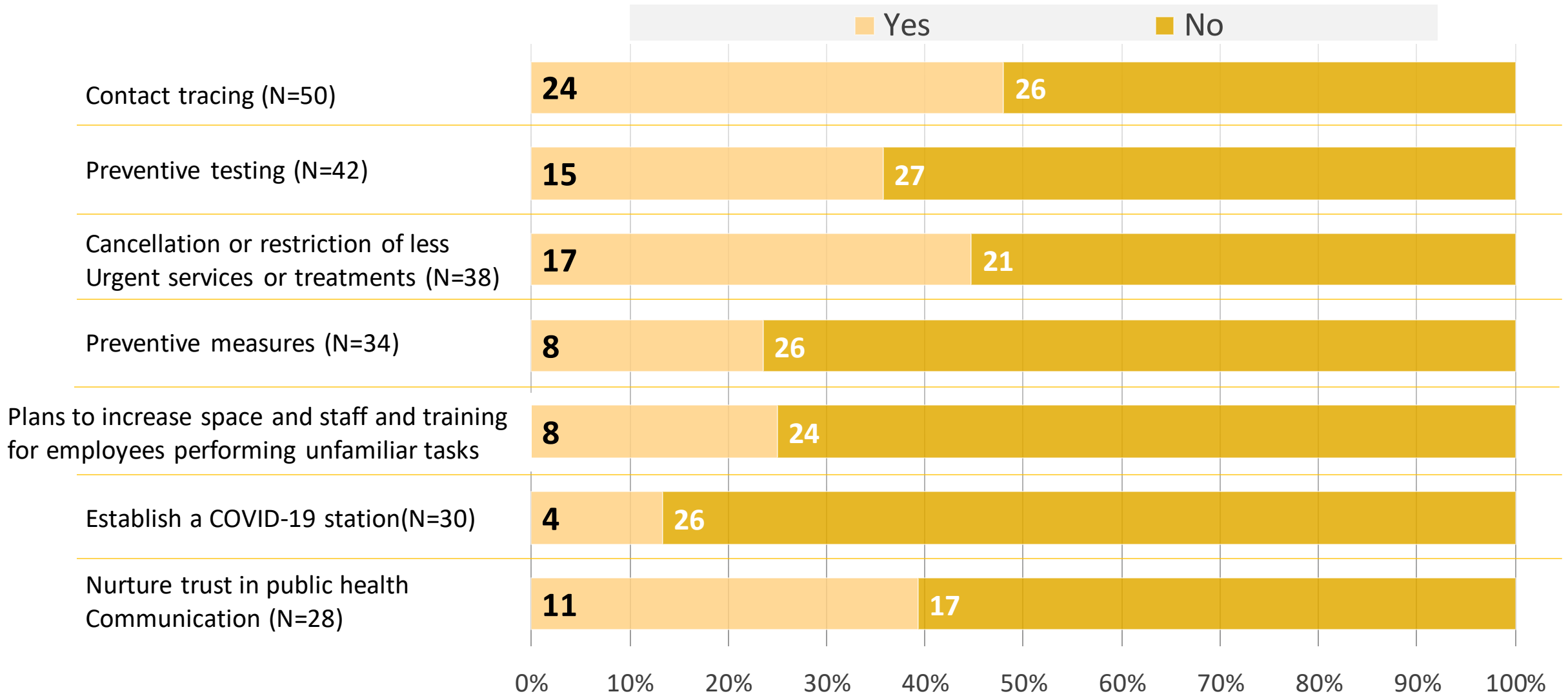
Public Health Workers



Closed question - Healthcare measures



Would you have changed anything in applying the measure?



Open question contexts - **Healthcare measures**



Preventive measures

What was the positive outcome by implementing the measure?

- Improvement of other nosocomial infection and improved procedures to implement them also after the pandemic
- Reduction on all transmissible diseases, and not only COVID
- Less spread/infections with the virus (14)

If yes, what would you change in applying the measures?

- Avoid measures when not relevant or unnecessary
- Test everyone who enters the hospital
- Better communication on how to use the measures and applications.
- Start using masks earlier

Open question contexts - **Healthcare measures**



Cancellation or restriction of less urgent services or treatments

What was the positive outcome by implementing the measure?

- Ensuring staff and adequate treatments in times of staff shortages for COVID treatments (6)

If yes, what would you change in applying the measures?

- Especially preventive check-ups should be performed even during the pandemic
- Identify procedures and protocols for home treatment and monitoring of symptomatic Covid infected subjects to reduce hospital admissions
- Hire more healthcare staff (4)
- Healthcare systems need to be available to everyone even in times of the pandemic (7)

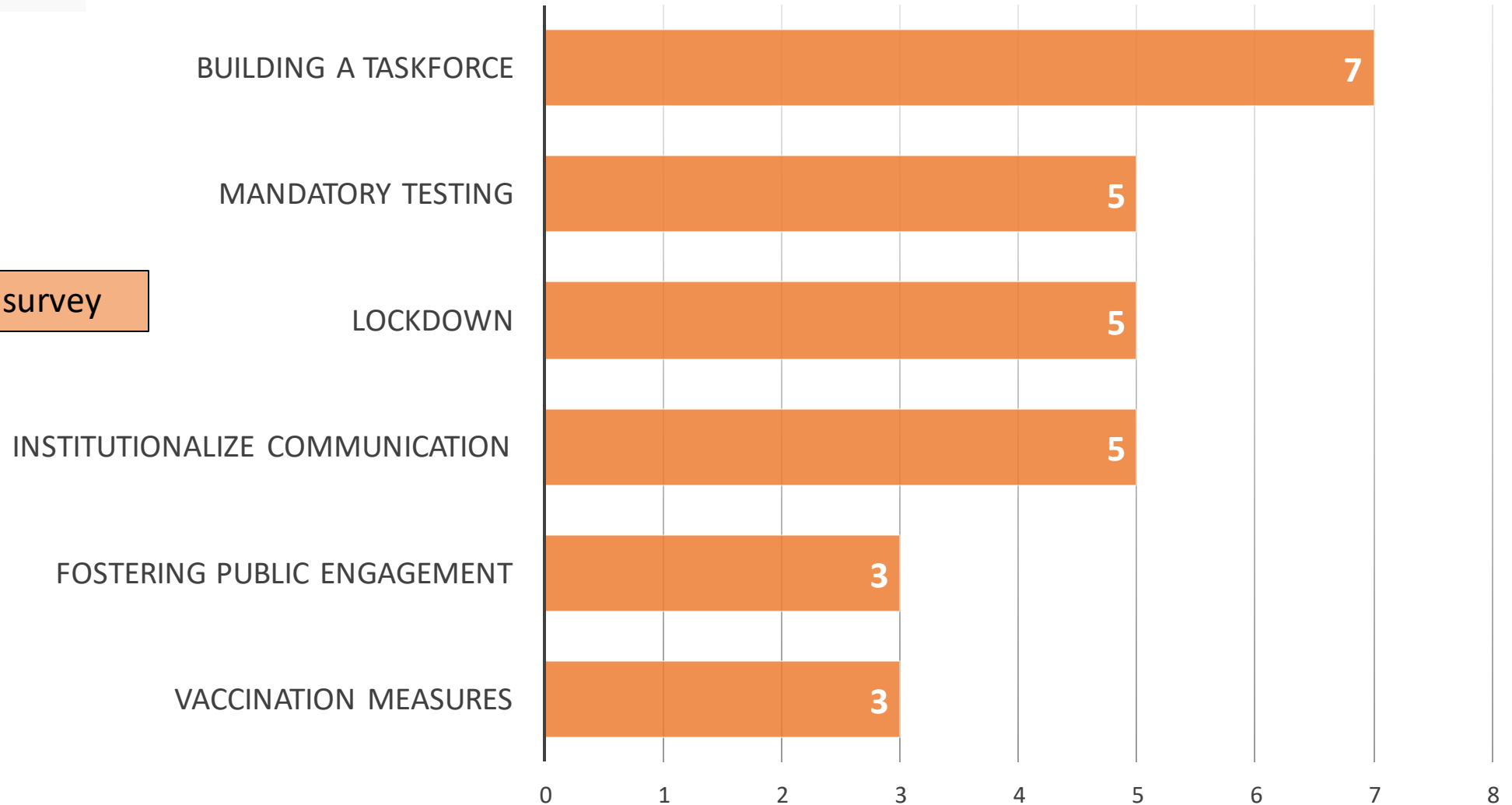
2nd block – Targeted questions – Political measures



Number of answers

■ Municipality officials

43% completed the survey



Weighted average – Social measures



Effectiveness in preventing the spread of COVID-19 (-2 to 2)

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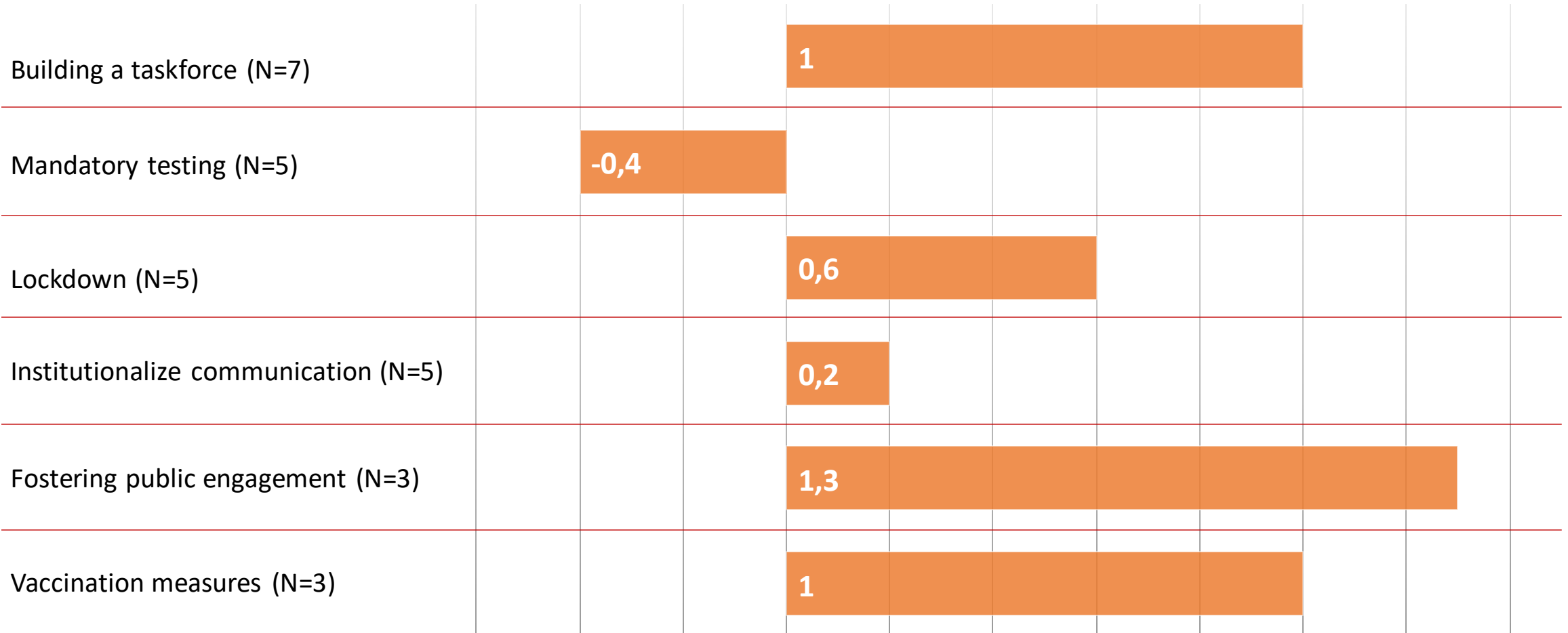


Weighted average – Social measures

Acceptance of the measures (-2 to 2)



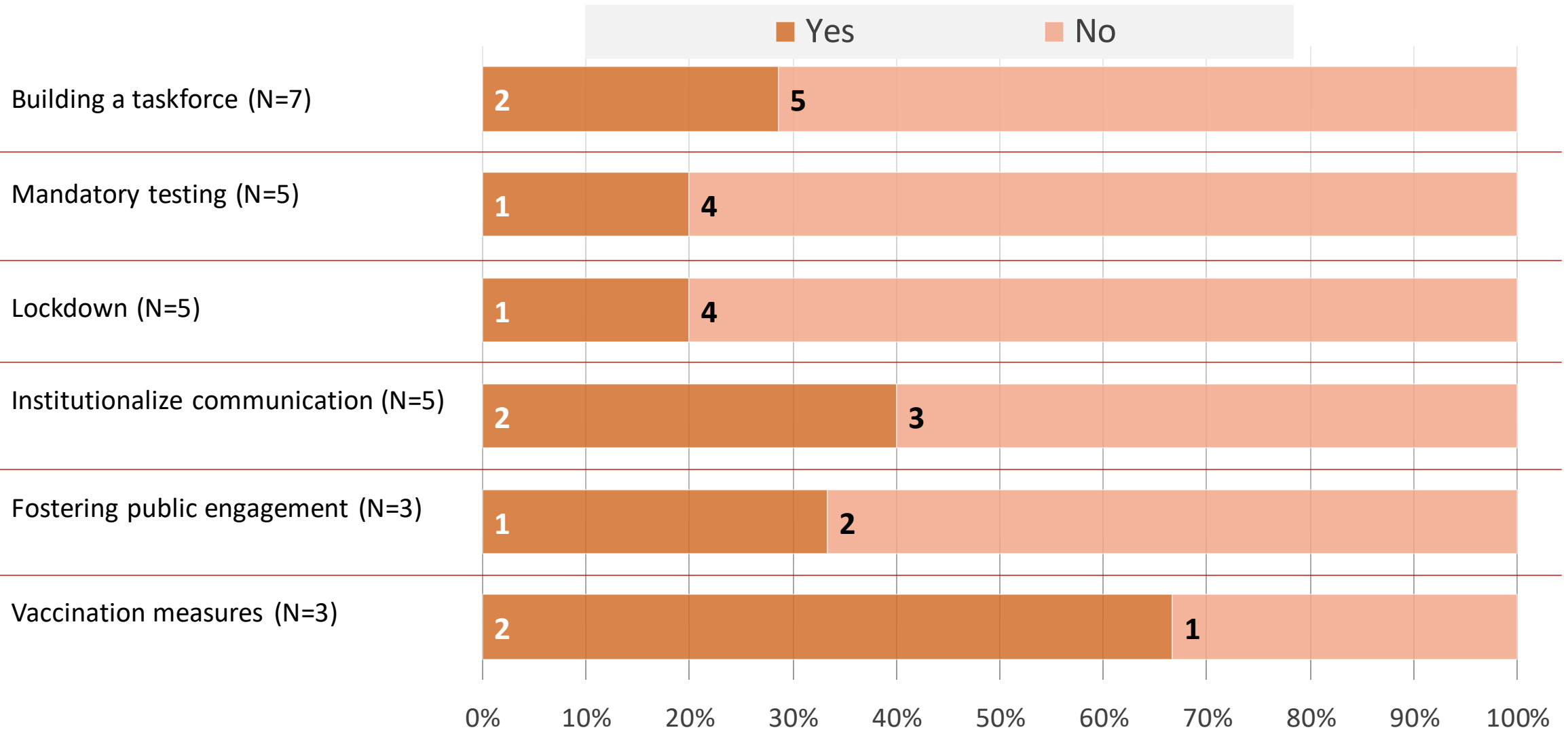
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Closed questions – Social measures



Would you have changed anything in applying the measure?



Open question contexts - Political measures



Lockdown

What was the positive outcome by implementing the measure?

- Fewer contact opportunities / More securities / Quick action
- Spread control and gradual burden on the health system
- I think very high contamination did not occur. Would have been even worse
- Fewer infections in my opinion

If yes, what would you change in applying the measures?

- Precise communication regarding time periods and background of the lockdown (which values are decisive)
- Controls, especially in rural areas, have been lacking

Open question contexts - **Political measures**



Institutionalize communication

What was the positive outcome by implementing the measure?

- Comprehensibility, connection in the community
- There is so much communication: substantiated and unsubstantiated
- Difficult to know what is true and what is not

If yes, what would you change in applying the measures?

- Communication, especially from the political side, must be right - communication through "influencers" is, in my opinion, the wrong way because on the one hand respect is conveyed and in the next step exactly these influencers travel etc. and contradict each other - react more dynamically and not with too long intervals

3rd block – Additional open questions



Are there measures that have not been presented to you, but you would recommend?

- I would give more money for the medical staff that is chronically lacking with or without Covid.
- No mandatory vaccination by the government, but containment of access rights for the unvaccinated.
- Introduction of 1G policy, mandatory vaccination.
- Addressing the measures for people with hearing disabilities.
- The whole situation should not have been politicized as it was, but it should be handled based on the actual data. Experts should be the most important actors.
- Work-related rules such as working from home.
- It's about transparency, and unfortunately that's something ministers are not used to...
- Mandatory vaccination for age ≥ 65 , no mandatory vaccination for young population
- some of the measures should be implemented not only in the pandemic but also regularly, to prevent zoonosis etc.

3rd block – Additional open questions



Is there anything else you want to share about the COVID-measures?

- Some measures have come far too late, such as the mask obligation.
- More coordination with neighbouring countries, more cooperation. More attention to mental health.
- Pandemic and the measures in some environments have made primary health care less accessible which is another health risk.
- Measures were good on their own, but part of the population simply does not listen or pretend not to understand.
- Threatening people to get vaccinated or they won't be able to come to their work is cruel and against all international laws and conventions.
- Nosocomial infections are a real problem.
- Sensible in principle; but often far too late or far too long - credibility and logical consideration were often difficult to reconcile.
- Lack of real info, population control with "fear"... there is a lot of issues we need to learn about this time.



THANK YOU!