

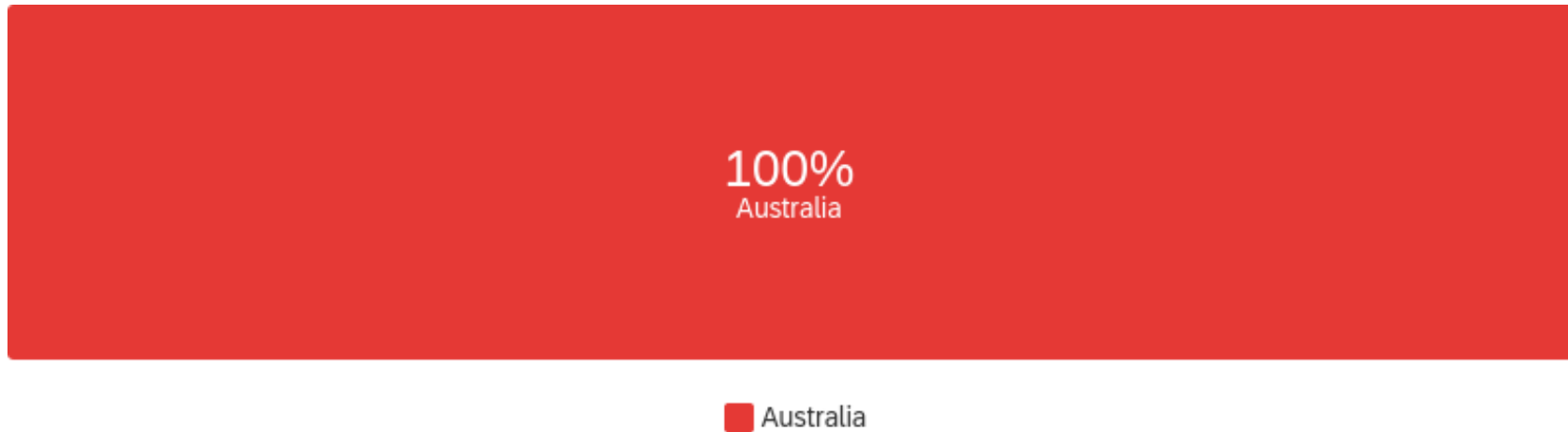
2024 Country report: Australia

Participant Satisfaction Survey 2024

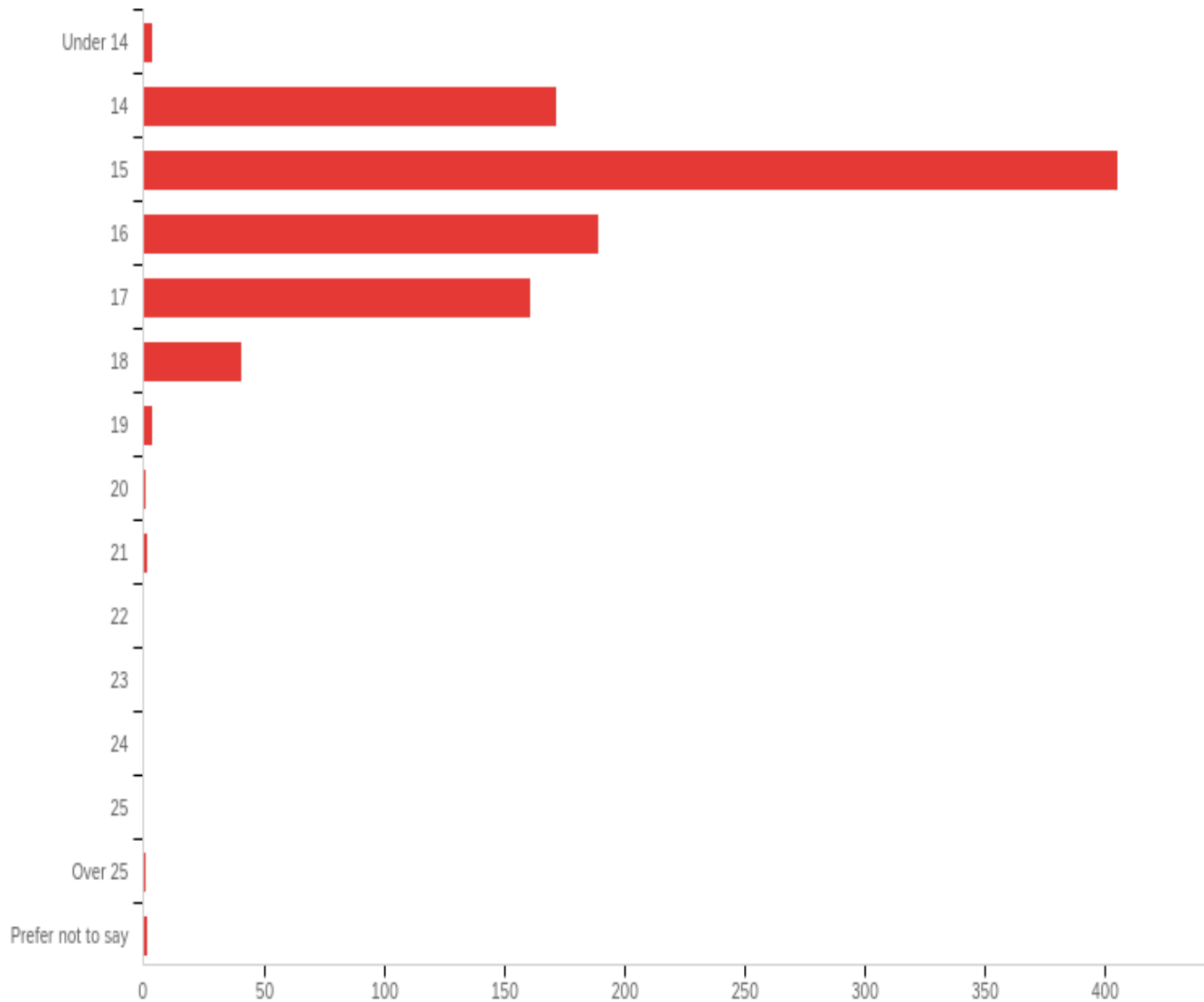
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Country & AC - Please select your Country (the country where you are involved with the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award):

Total responses 793

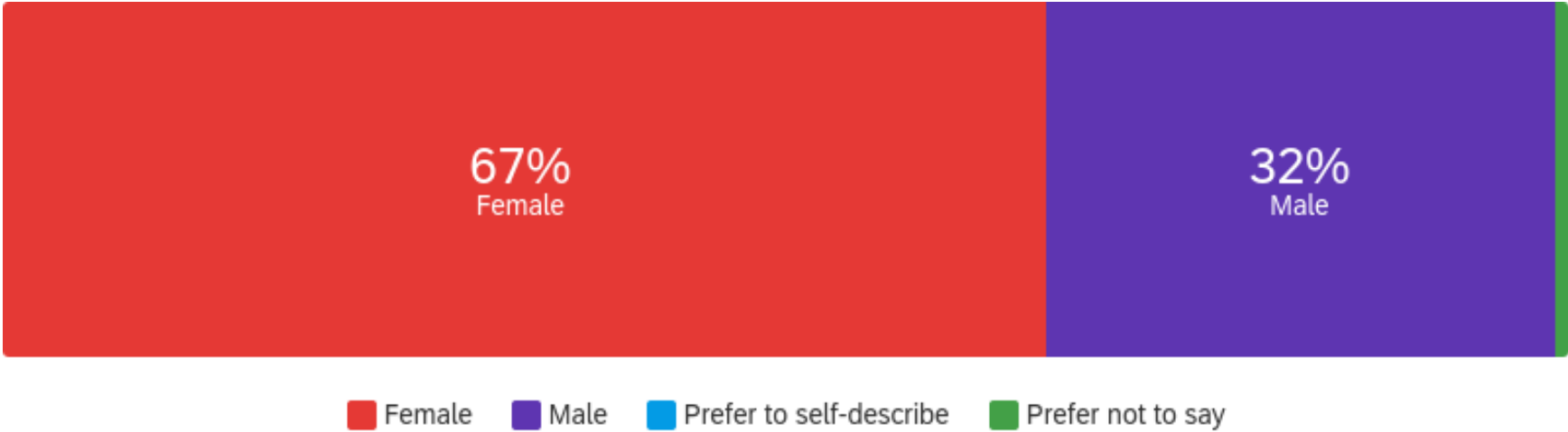


Age - What is your age?



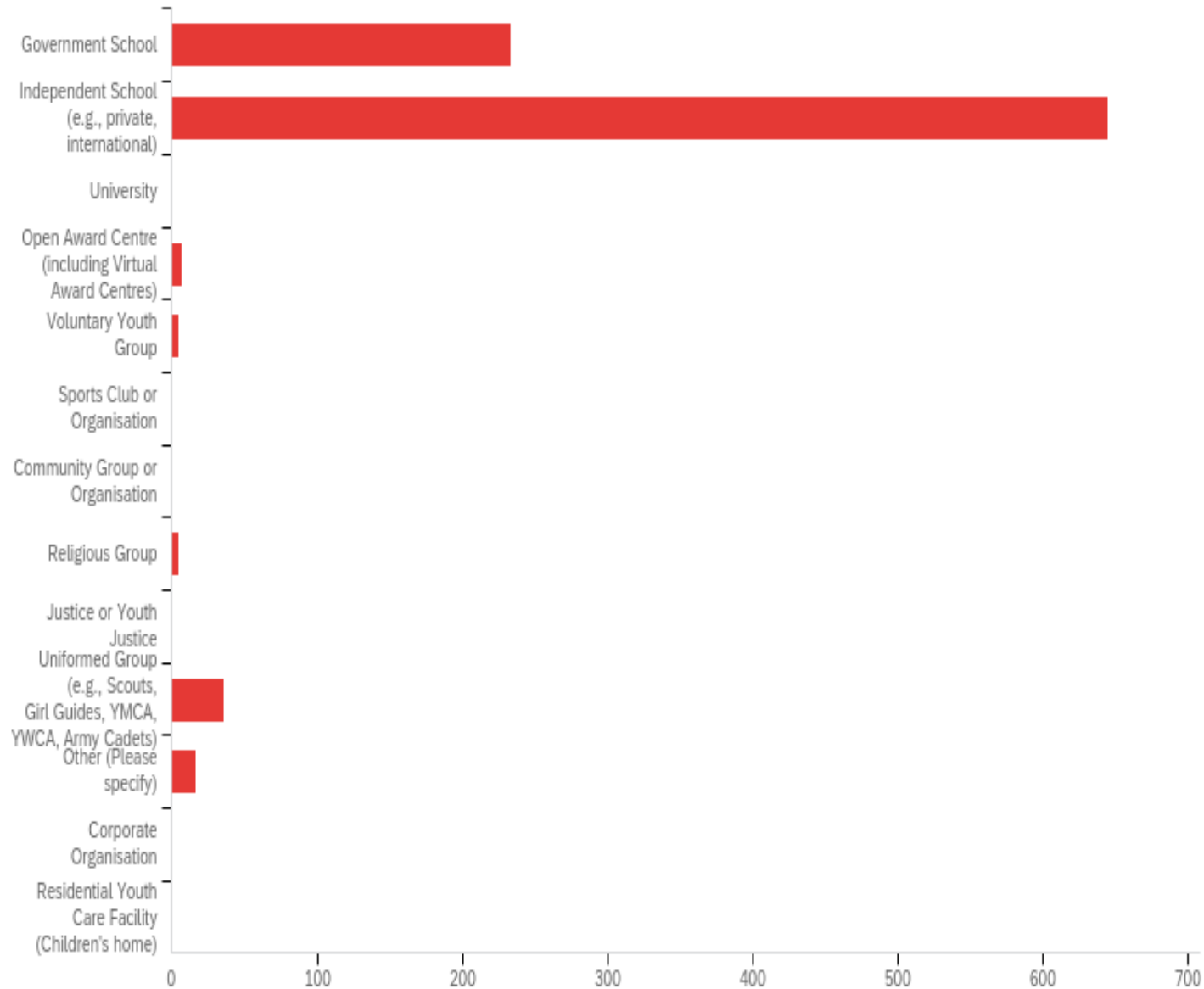
Answer	%	Count
Under 14	0.41%	4
14	17.52%	172
15	41.24%	405
16	19.25%	189
17	16.40%	161
18	4.18%	41
19	0.41%	4
20	0.10%	1
21	0.20%	2
22	0.00%	0
23	0.00%	0
24	0.00%	0
25	0.00%	0
Over 25	0.10%	1
Prefer not to say	0.20%	2
Total	100%	982

Gender - What best describes your gender?



Answer	%	Count
Female	66.60%	654
Male	32.38%	318
Prefer to self-describe	0.10%	1
Prefer not to say	0.92%	9
Total	100%	982

AC Type - What is the type of your school/organisation?

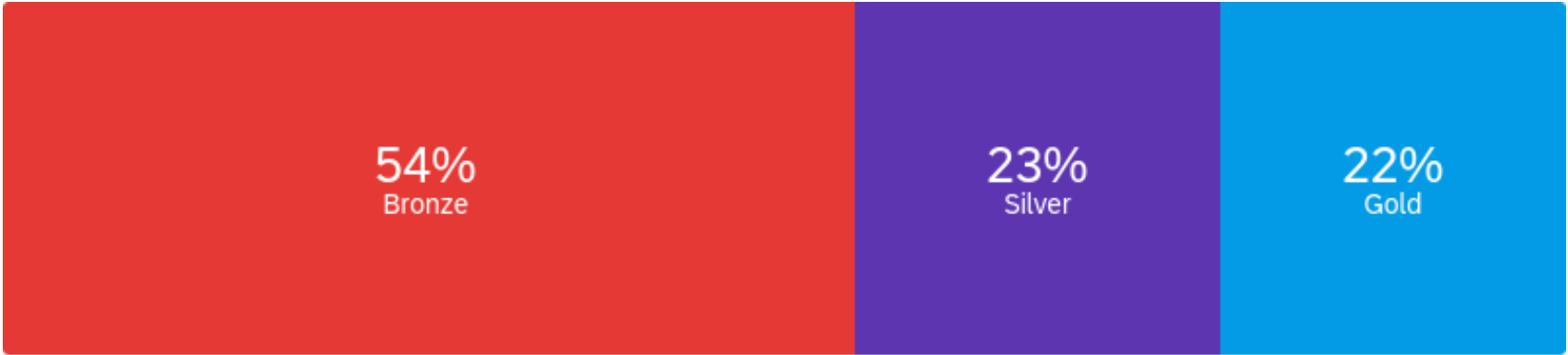


Answer	%	Count
Government School	24.61%	234
Independent School (e.g., private, international)	67.82%	645
University	0.11%	1
Open Award Centre (including Virtual Award Centres)	0.74%	7
Voluntary Youth Group	0.53%	5
Sports Club or Organisation	0.11%	1
Community Group or Organisation	0.00%	0
Religious Group	0.53%	5
Justice or Youth Justice	0.00%	0
Uniformed Group (e.g., Scouts, Girl Guides, YMCA, YWCA, Army Cadets)	3.79%	36
Other (Please specify)	1.79%	17
Corporate Organisation	0.00%	0
Residential Youth Care Facility (Children's home)	0.00%	0
Total	100%	951

AC Type - What is the type of your school/organisation?

Other (Please specify) - Text
Private school
Online school
Catholic School
Cadets
Catholic High School (part of Sydney Catholic Schools)
Australian Air force Cadets
Home Schooled
AAFC
Home Education Network
YouthAdvance

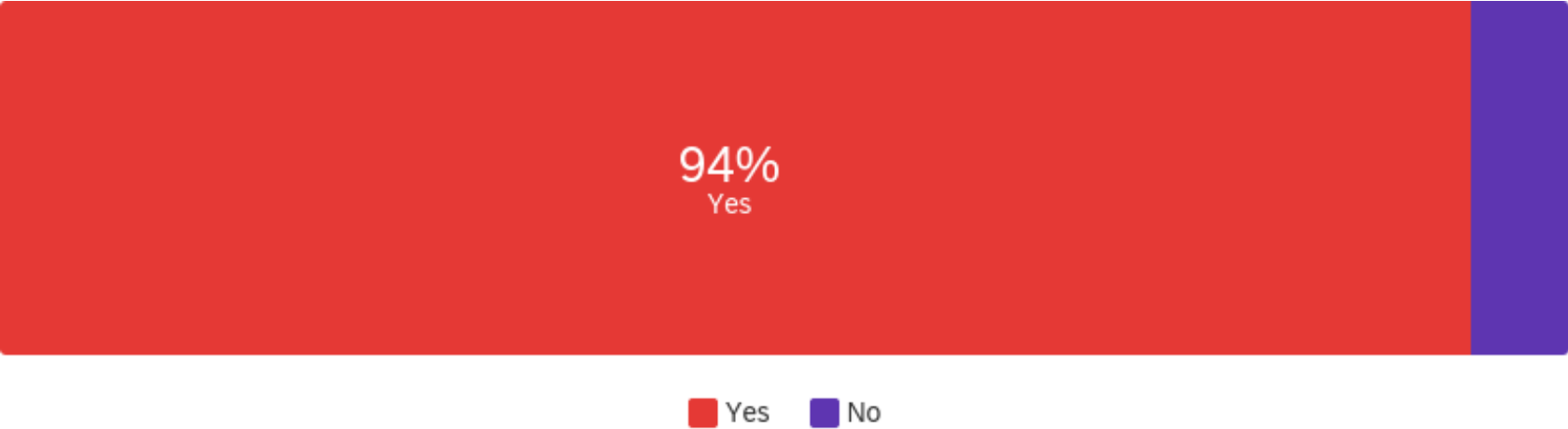
CurrentAwardLevel - At what level of the Award are you currently taking part?
(If you are not currently taking part in an Award, please choose the highest level of the Award you have previously completed)



■ Bronze ■ Silver ■ Gold

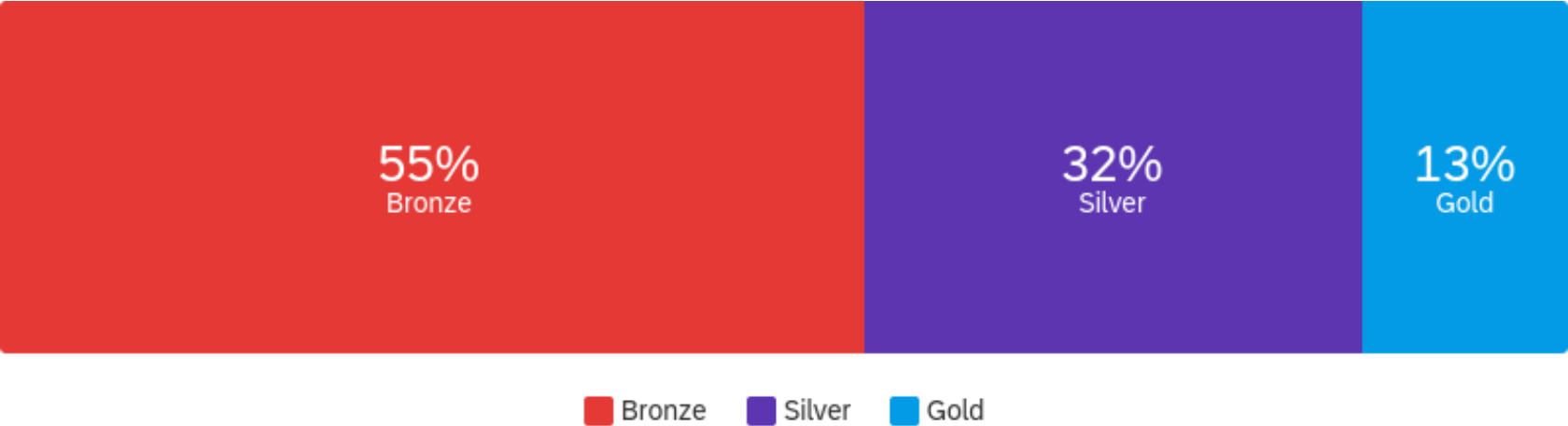
Answer	%	Count
Bronze	54.45%	514
Silver	23.31%	220
Gold	22.25%	210
Total	100%	944

OtherLevels? - Have you completed any other levels of the Award before?



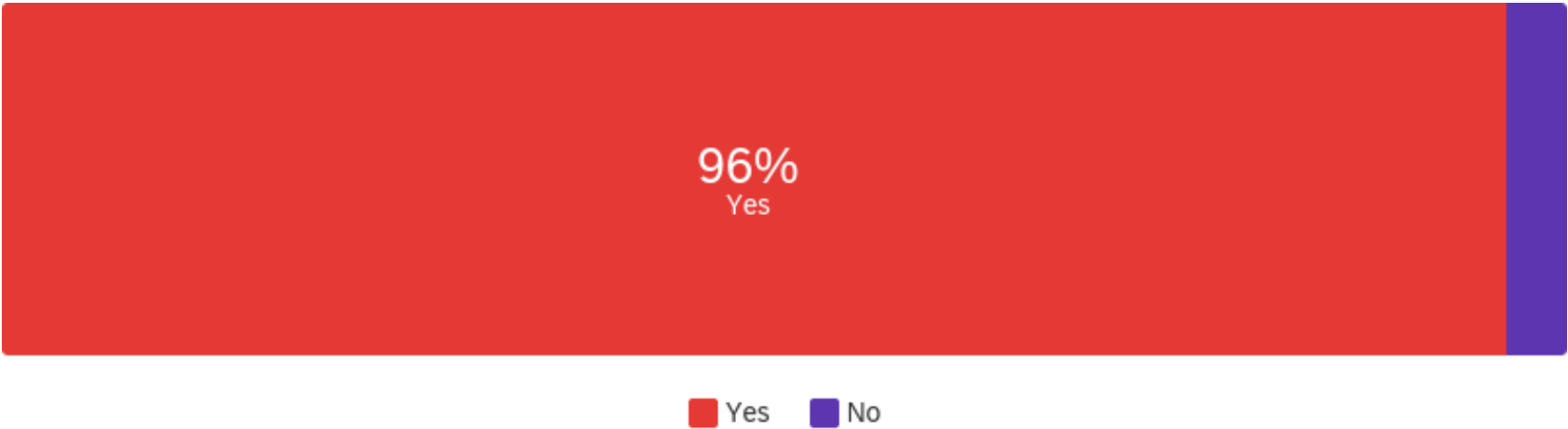
Answer	%	Count
Yes	93.71%	402
No	6.29%	27
Total	100%	429

PastAwards - Which level(/s) of the Award did you previously complete?



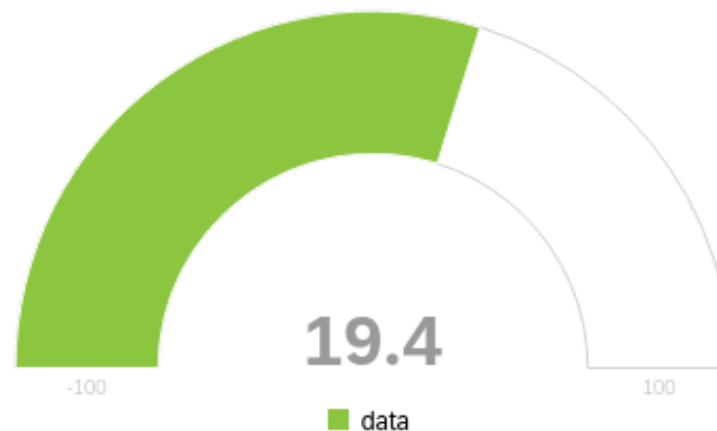
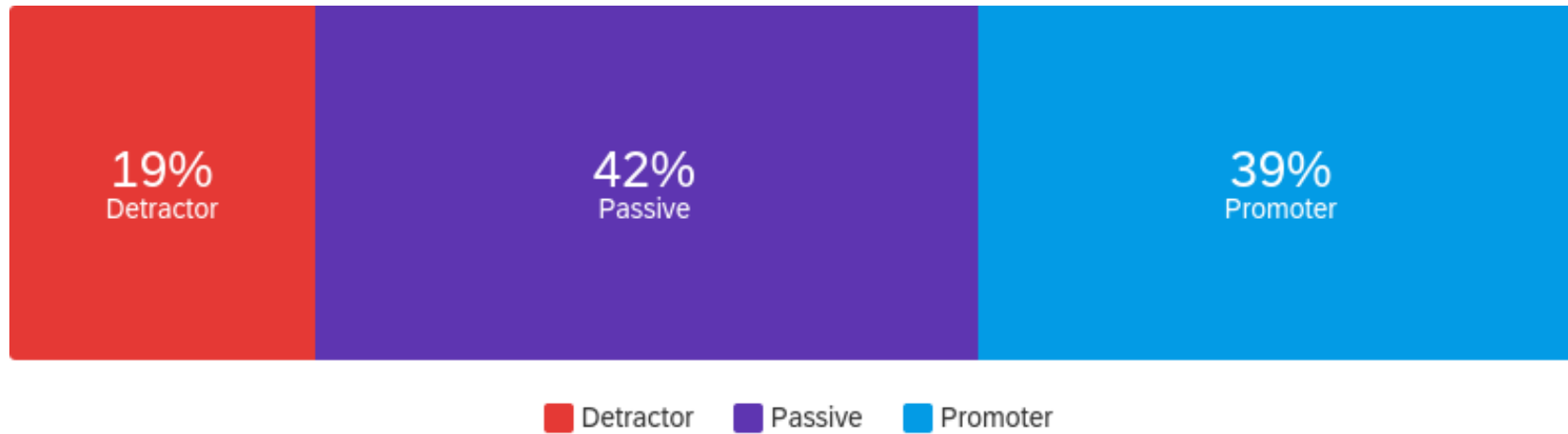
Answer	%	Count
Bronze	55.07%	391
Silver	31.69%	225
Gold	13.24%	94
Total	100%	710

Would you recommend the Award to others? (to potential adult volunteers, organisations and other young people)



Answer	%	Count
Yes	96.12%	891
No	3.88%	36
Total	100%	927

On the scale from 0 to 10, how likely is it that you would recommend the Award to others?



What do you value most about your Award experience?

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The skills I have developed and the connections I have made.	The confidence and extra benefits such as start points and resume achievements it can provide.
Do things out of my comfort zone and meeting new people.	The new skills I have acquired, the new things I have tried and the fun expedition
I value my skills I learnt both physical endurance and resilience. As well as the friendships that I have formed over the course of the award.	I got to make new friends and complete physical actives that I never thought I would be able to do.
Connecting with friends, classmates and teachers.	Being able to make memorable experiences.
The opportunities to get out and enjoy awesome hikes that push me beyond my comfort zones. The ability to participate in hikes in the Australian bush has given me a better appreciation of my country and the efforts I need to take in order to protect it.	building strong friendships, pushing my fitness limits, and connecting with nature. It challenged me mentally and physically, but it also taught me resilience and self-discovery in what i want to do growing up.
the adventurous journey and how much fun it was; the connections with other students.	The times i got to go on adventures with friends
The outdoor skills developed.	Having experiences in nature and learning the value in them.
The new experiences	The life skills you learn and independence
Opportunity to try new things.	the time i spent with others

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What I value the most about the award experience that I got to learn new skill, I got to help in volunteering and take care of my physical fitness.	The adventurous journey experience was a learning curve that taught me valuable lessons about exploring the wilderness. It was different to anything I had done before but was extremely enjoyable and pushed me to test my limits.
The ability to choose your sections and complete the by doing things you already do or enjoy doing.	It was such a vibrant and exciting time to experience this progress in myself. I have learned so many things across the way about myself.
The opportunities to learn new skills, and find passions and hobbies I unknowingly had	The friendships made, the experiences shared and potential jobs later in life
To have experiences I wouldn't have had if I didn't do the award.	The chance to try new things and push myself
Being motivated to take part in a new skill and getting to teach young people about my favourite sport.	Learning new skills (compass reading/recording/hiking skills/locating skills)
I would not have been on the different types of adventures if it wasn't for completing Duke of ed	Everything
Being able to help those in need and improve on new things and experience new stuff	That I got to help the rotary club with sausage sizzles
the cv experience	The skills I have learnt through volunteering and the adventurous journey.
The memories and the learning along the way	The Adventure Journey

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The experience and the final end result	The thing I valued most about my award experience is having the opportunity to participate in voluntary service, extra physical recreation, skills and an adventurous journey camp.
Opportunities to do extra camps because of the award	I got to go on a camp with girls I never thought I would talk to.
Being able to make make new friends from other schools and organisations.	it's easy
Learning new skills and pushing myself to do new and challenging things	- the team building and personal growth
Experience to do new things that i wouldn't have done without it	The sense of achievement after completing it
The learning of new skills, also motavating me to do more physical activity as well as being a good person	the memories and experience
It was a fun experience to motivate me to keep trying new things and to keep on top of my exersise, service, and skills!	learning new experiences
The oppurtunity to be rewarded for the 'extra' things i do	The relationships and skills learned from my experience in the different areas.
The most valuable aspect of my Duke of Edinburgh Award experience has been the boost in self-esteem and confidence. Through various challenges and adventures, I learned to push my limits, set goals, and achieve them.	being able to use it to help graduate highschool

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Learning a lot of new skills while camping, like how to cook on a trangea, getting faster at setting up and packing away tents. Learning navigation skills. All the memories made and people I met. The resilience and character strength that was built.

I valued the journey itself as the most valuable experience, it offered a very different atmosphere than just a hike as we were required to learn skills such as setting up the tents and cooking meals that helped when camping. I also though that the logging was a good opportunity for other students to learn new skills, and sports and to improve upon those areas.

The adventurous journey component was very rewarding and such a great new experience!

I got to volunteer at my swimming pool

I value the skills I have learned and the opportunities that I've taken as part of this award.

The opportunities it provide and the satisfaction when I complete a task.

The skills you learn whilst completing the award

I think it is incredibly beneficial

meeting and socialising with other people

The commitment it instills in the participants as they are able to learn the value of working towards a goal and giving back to the community.

The development of personal skills and physical activities for self-growth, as well as fostering community change through volunteering. 😊💖

Making new and stronger connections with peers

Probably the camps i went on

My memories made and friendships developed over the camps.

Learning new experiences like building a tent and having fun with friends.

I like having my achievements acknowledged

What do you value most about your Award experience?

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Everything	I value the information and knowledge I learned most
The confidence, from when i did the voluntary work.	trying new things
Learning new things and helping out in the community.	New experiences I got to try in order to fulfil my award progress.
Making friends/Doing the adventurous journey and making lasting relations with people you have never met before	Documenting my progress and seeing the growth and results in real life from my efforts .
My adventurous journey	Seeking out consistent efforts in a range of domains - trying new skills, committing to physical activity, exploring service options and meeting new people and gaining new skills on the camps!
It was easy to track my progress and review what I had done on the website.,	The hike was super fun because I got to know people I'd never talk to
Great Experience for personal development.	The community and friends I've made that have encouraged me along the journey and the amazing memories come with it.
It is so satisfying to have completed something I have been working towards for 3 years. I value all the service sport and skill hours which I have had to do pushing me to challenge myself and do more than what I thought I could.	This award has helped me gain new experiences.
The opportunity to engage in new and different types of community service.	The skills and confidence that I gained

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I value the growth I experienced from partaking in different activities. It also taught me to appreciate the countless things I have access to as I took time to log the small progress I made each week.

It was enjoyable doing the activities and I got a sense of satisfaction from completing it

The opportunities it has brought me and will bring me in the future

The initiative needed to be put onto yourself

Having fun meeting new people

Learning to work in a team. I also enjoyed the hike.

Being able to complete something that brought a challenge with my friends and the satisfaction it brought when it was finished.

It shows potential employers and universities that I am committed and driven. It provides a universally recognised symbol of achievement.

My experience on the adventurous journey going places I would have never visited before and getting to build my connections with all the other people from my school that went. Duke of Ed created lifelong memories for me.

The experiences I have gathered. I have gone on a range of camps including kayaking, bushwalking climbing and more. I have learnt how to set up tents, cook on tranja's, navigate in untracked and tracked environments. Most of all I have formed solid friendships with a lot of other Duke of Ed participants.

The adventurous journey's are experiences in my life that I will never forget.

The adventure and excitement and new experience

It's easy to complete

Growth and Dedication

I have learnt the value of hard work and determination.

Responsibility to do everything weekly

What do you value most about your Award experience?

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The people I met and friendships I strengthened. The Duke of Edinburgh Award allowed me to get out of my comfort zone and do lots of new things, for example prior to participating, I do not think I would've done anything similar to the Adventurous Journey. It was a very challenging but rewarding for me and it made me grow a lot closer to the friends I went with and learn useful skills such as reading a map. From the other aspects like the Volunteering hours, I've met so many amazing people, and even today I am still very good friends with those people.

The experiences that the Duke of Edinburgh Award gives you as well as the opportunities to do things that you may have never thought you would be doing is something I value greatly. Being able to do my service for example, I was able to grow as a person to help those in my community that was truly awe-inspiring.

All the memories from the camps and new hobbies that I picked up as part of the skill, service and sport

This experience was so much fun. Having the opportunity to go on the adventurous journey made me gain a newfound appreciation for nature.

Learning how to work as a team and push beyond your limits

learning new skills, meeting new people, enjoying the outdoors

I value the opportunity to take part in and engage in a valuable experience, I value that my teacher have put in a large amount of hard work and dedication to help me get to the position that I am in

I value the experiences the award gives me. I particularly enjoy the service component as it really teaches me more about the importance of doing good for others.

The new, unique, and challenging experiences that the award provided me.

Canoeing

I loved the challenge of Duke of Ed as well as the opportunity to connect with friends and teachers through hikes. I also loved being able to give back to my community through community service

The memories experiences and people u meet

What do you value most about your Award experience?

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Everything I loved all of it!!!	The experience and responsibility.
I valued the feeling of progression as I got closer and closer to receiving my Bronze Award.	Having new experiences and doing enjoyable and educational activities that make my life more interesting
I love how it was a kickstarter to my curiosity to try new things and challenge myself in things I've never done before!	Getting to try new things
I learnt what skills I had and learnt a lot about myself developing passions I didn't know I had	I value that it's so recognised around the world.
The camp experience and getting to know other people.	My communication skills and confidence on my Tasmania Hiking Trip.
I value the accomplishment I feel after my Award has been approved.	I have been able to develop myself as a person, and attain new and unique leadership skills that I can utilise in all aspects of life.
The individual and the wholesome experience we shared as a team including the hikes, sport and volunteering. It was both an asset for me and my peers.	I learnt things about myself, challenged myself doing things i wouldn't do normally- hiking, I developed new passions for volunteering and chickens
Stepping away from the city and enjoying the fresh air and connecting with nature.	Being given the opportunity to try and experience something new with the program.
What I value the most is going on my AJ as it was such a memorable experience.	It forced me to stay consistent with my activities and thus allowed me to learn valuable new skills and master them over the course of the 3 awards
i have gained many life skills and a passion for the outdoors and hiking, i value how i have grown as a person by achieving this award	The memories I created with all my friends, and being able to say that I have experienced everything that comes with this prestigious award

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I value the Award experience as an opportunity to develop oneself in a multitude of ways, as well as to remind us to appreciate the surroundings we have been given to pursue the award.

the personal growth I had on my 7 day kayak adventurous journey

Being able to try new things

The most valuable part of the award experience was the lessons I learned about myself. For example I did not think I was physically capable of completing some of the hikes in my adventurous journey however once I did I felt extremely accomplished and discovered I am capable of more than I know.

The connections and experiences formed with other people

The encouragement it gave me particularly to do the adventurous journey and explore new places.

the life experience and skills that the program can teach you

Making stronger connections and learning new useful skills for the future.

The diverse range of activities I have participated in

I like how it recognises all of the co-curricular and activities that I do. It is another way to challenge and extend myself.

The connections I have made and the experiences I will never forget

It was good for learning and becoming more independent and gaining invaluable experiences.

The volunteering and experience the award offers.

It has enabled me to remain committed to my experiences, but also provided me with an appreciation of what I have achieved, things that I normally would normally leave unnoticed, I personally was able to recognise it and feel achieved.

Stepping outside of my comfort zone on the adventurous journeys and coming back with a sense of achievement . Realising that I can be both mentally and physically strong. Self discipline with regular logs.

The people I got to meet, and the activities I found myself taking part in.

What do you value most about your Award experience?

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The amount of time that I had to spend each week doing something good for myself (such as my skill and physical) as well as helping others in the community. Each of the three tasks I had chosen required a lot of discipline to keep moving forwards and it was a great way for me to start building new habits.

Badges are cool and it's a fulfilling experience. Good for resume too.

What I value most about the Award experience is the opportunity for personal growth and development. It encourages individuals to step out of their comfort zones, set and achieve goals, and cultivate new skills. The sense of community and support from peers and mentors is also invaluable, fostering lasting connections and shared experiences. Overall, it's about building resilience and confidence while making a positive impact.

Learning new skills and enjoying the environment

The experiences I've had with the other members completing this award at the same level from my institution

Spending time with friends outside school and seeing and doing new things

I love how the program gets the participant to be all rounded and actively positively pushes participants to do things they wouldn't usually do. In my case it was the service (which I volunteered at a pre-school) and adventure journey (where I learnt how to canoe).

What do you value most about your Award experience?

What do you value most about your Award experience?
Meeting new people who I would have never spoken to before
Being able to give back to people and the community in various ways.
The experience I gained from my various portions of the award.
My learning and experiences I have gained from it.
I have valued setting a goal and achieving it. A large part of this has been challenging myself with the Adventurous Journeys and Skill components. I have also had the opportunity to meet many new people, my age or other, through the Voluntary Service and Adventurous Journeys. I value the experiences that the Award has given me and the opportunity to challenge myself and grow.
The journey I went through making the reports and logging my parade nights
Self motivation and consistency
The motivation it gave me to work on myself, the community and my skills. I have also made many friends whilst completing my Duke Of Ed.
Building discipline, spending time in nature and growing friendships with others.

What do you value most about your Award experience?

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The skills I have gained and developed
Motivation to elaborate on the way I volunteer (e.g. asking if there are other errands I can run for the organisation).
Camps with friends
it was an enriching experience
It allowed me to find the importance of volunteering. It made me feel better about myself knowing I helped the community. I especially enjoyed my gold residential as I was able to help those in need, and I've met so many amazing people on my journey.
Service
it sets me up for life, has a range of experiences and expertise
I really valued the lessons I learnt, particularly because of what I did as my major. The many hours I spent working on it really taught me a lot, and I am quite confident in the skills I learnt.
This award experience is truly the most fun I've ever had during my schooling years. It gave me and my friends numerous opportunities to bond and have fun together, expand my skill set, and feel like a valued member of the community. This journey pushed me out of my comfort zone and gave me the opportunity to create lasting memories that will surely be remembered as the best times of my high school career.

What do you value most about your Award experience?

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My Award experience allowed me to learn many things as well as be able to meet and talk to many new people. It gave me the opportunity to experience new places and programs that I would not have been able to otherwise.
I valued better appreciating the rural environment that I was immersed in over my trip and being equipped with the social and physical skills to venture on a 4 day journey
Friendships and experiences made on the journeys.
The way I challenged myself and now know what I can do
The adventurous journey, and making connections with others through volunteering.
the experiences and the people i have met along the way
Being in the outdoors and getting to meet new people. Being able to learn from their knowledge, whilst also being able to help them in other ways.
The things that I value most about being able to participate in the award is how it has pushed me to be adventures and consistent with trying new things and meeting new people
The outdoor adventure

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To push people to do stuff in the different sections

This award is recognised for employment, I have also loved camps!

The friends and experience

The experiences I've made and the credit I get from volunteering morally and the skills I built along the way both physical, adventurous and mentally

I value the life lessons it taught me in my hiking abilities.

I really value the life experiences it taught me. Especially during my final expedition for Gold, I was really struggling because I had injured my leg and then I got sick because it was raining in Central Australia. I think when we chose to go there we thought it would be dry, because it was rained throughout every hike we have ever completed for Duke of Ed. Despite this setback we all persevered and when I was walking I really took time to think about how I can utilise perseverance throughout my everyday life. Especially with the HSC coming up I distinctly remember hiking up this mountain - and I was feeling sick, and faint, and I was really struggling. I was really thinking that there was no way that I was going to be able to complete this hike but I looked at my group and the girls who were really struggling, and I thought, I can't stop because they need a positive influence to follow and If we don't keep going we will never get to the top. So, I toughed it out and kept encouraging everyone - reminding myself to take it one step at a time, and we did it. I have been repeating this to myself ever since, that if I take it one step at a time then I will succeed in anything I am trying to do. This was the most valuable thing that I took from my Award experience.

What do you value most about your Award experience?

What do you value most about your Award experience?
friendship
The camping experiences and learning life skills
the gratitude it taught me
It encouraged me to find volunteer work and my experiences at this organisation have been invaluable. I continue to work there now. I have enjoyed being a part of the community and helping others.
The Duke of Edinburgh's Award experience is something I deeply treasure for its profound impact on my personal growth and development. Its most valued aspect lies in its ability to create resilience, self-reliance, and a sense of accomplishment. I was encouraged to step out of my comfort zone, tackle challenges, and push my limits, learning essential life skills such as leadership, teamwork, and perseverance along the way. Additionally, the Award embeds a deep appreciation for nature and community service, creating a sense of responsibility towards both the environment and society. Ultimately, it's the transformative journey of self-discovery and the invaluable lessons I learned through overcoming obstacles that make the Duke of Edinburgh's Award experience truly invaluable.
Getting outside of my comfort zone and completing the challenges will forever be a valuable experience. Meeting new people from different backgrounds on the residential project has also added significance value to my everyday life.

What do you value most about your Award experience?

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The variety of offered opportunities, their locations, and the choice of adventurers for the Journeys.
Being able to share this experience with others, and help others achieve their award.
meeting other people
How it keeps me in check with my promises and goals
forming the friendships throughout the journey
The most valuable aspect of my Award experience is the personal growth and empowerment it signifies. Achieving the Duke of Edinburgh Award has pushed me beyond my comfort zone, fostering determination and confidence. It's a testament to my ability to overcome challenges and achieve meaningful goals through perseverance and effort.
The new experiences, and developing consistency in entering my logs.
The support structure it gives, and the acknowledgement you receive for completing the work.
I loved the hikes so much. I learnt so many new skills and met so many new people. I also was able to work on various skills and my fitness.

What do you value most about your Award experience?

What do you value most about your Award experience?
Having the opportunity to do experiences i wouldn't usually do, also meeting new people along the way!
The most useful thing about my award experience was the award at the end. This is because the Duke of Ed award is international recognised, and it would make it easier for me to apply for university/apply for a job.
The experience gained form the activities that I had undertaken
The opportunity to partake in volunteering service and the general opportunity for new experiences such as the adventurous journey.
I appreciated the real-life skills involved, from logging to the physical activity
i value the adventurous and the practice journeys as the experience of doing these were really valuable friendship building times
The challenges you get to experience and overcome, as well as the community you build.
walking that long distance was hard but having all the people to play different games with and encourage was what i valued most. seeing others push through gave me a reason to push through with them

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The activities I got to complete.

The skills I gained as well as the ability to communicate better with other people.

Learning how to create and achieve goals. Being able to learn so many new skills in various areas

The impact that I felt I made

Learning new skills

The opportunity to do things that i wouldn't normally do in my daily life e.g. long camps, volunteer regularly etc. I also enjoyed the regularity of the Award and am now extremely proud of this long term commitment, although I understand this aspect could be a challenge for some individuals.

Team building, friendships, character development, the whole experience of the hikes

The new experiences I got to enjoy and meeting new people

Making connections with people, being out with nature, helping the community and making myself better through the goals.

What do you value most about your Award experience?

What do you value most about your Award experience?
me being able to manage my time schedule
The international recognition of the award.
I really value the hiking aspect. I've made more friends because of it, and it's overall been really fun.
Learning more about what I can do
Volunteering experiences that I have gained during the process of obtaining my Bronze award.
The chance it gave me to learn new things about myself. It got me more involved in my school and wider community. It is a great thing to be able to say I completed the Duke of Edinburgh's International award!
The Adventures journey
I value the connections I made with the community and the opportunities for growth during the process.
I value the friendships that I have made

What do you value most about your Award experience?

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I valued the exposure it gave me to different volunteering opportunities and the fact that I could learn more about my hobbies and interests through this.

I value learning new skills and also pushing myself beyond my personal limits and outside my comfort zone. I also value building stronger connections between my friends.

The close bonds I got with the small group of people who I completed the award with

I value the time management and commitment skills I learn.

Getting to interact with others in your group

The skills in preparation for adventurous journey that I have learnt and fostered.

The friendships that is forged along the way.

Experiencing challenges in the expeditions and growing in relationship with a group of people you can depend on and will probably be your friends for life.

Working with others

Made new friends and got good experience under my belt for jobs and uni

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I valued the relationships I built upon and developed during my time on the hikes. I also valued the views and scenery from our hikes, especially the one through Heathcote and Waterfall. Having to complete all of the service hours also made me value my time and helped me to manage it better.

The valuable life experiences it gives me

It has pushed me out of my comfort zone in many aspects, both physically and mentally.

learning about new skills and expanding my community involvement

All the memories, friendships and things I learned about myself.

The opportunity to develop real life skills like leadership and team work, as well as to connect with gods creation

the time you spend doing it helped out alot

Meeting new people and making memories

The nature and social aspects.

What do you value most about your Award experience?

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It makes you complete hours in skill, recreation and especially volunteering.
freindships
Being able to have once in a lifetime experiences and being able to bond with my peers.
I value the motivation DoE gives to make you try more things. For example, I would have never taken badminton seriously if it wasn't for the pressure for progress that DoE gives to the participants.
The enriching experience
Gaining new skills, both life skills and personal skills. Collaborating with my peers, especially the ones whom I wouldn't talk to on a day-to-day basis. My favourite part though would most definitely have to be the hike, spending time away from school, stress-free with teachers and friends, everyone just getting along and having a good time
Opportunities it gave me.
the hikes
Just the overall experience

What do you value most about your Award experience?

What do you value most about your Award experience?
The volunteering
my connection with nature
The life skills it taught me. More specifically, the Award taught me how to be patient and to keep putting one step in front of the other.
Being able to meet different, but like-minded and passionate people- both from my community through sport, skills and volunteering, and also on my adventurous journeys.
The experiences of long hikes and camping. Learning how to properly camp in hard situations and building friendships with team games and activities.
The variety of combinations and freedoms the award provides whilst maintaining 4 major categories
How i got experience to volunteer for community
The adventure and experience
The time I got to spend with friends.

What do you value most about your Award experience?

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It provided a lot of different and new experiences.

The friendships that I made and all of the experiences I was able to have.

The Duke Of Edinburgh Award was an enlightening experience and I valued the time it gave me with my peers outside of a classroom environment. I learnt more about my peers and bonded with them over grand hills and exhausting points. It was fun to spend time with friends in a different situation and I will value those memories forever.

The skills I gained throughout all experiences (skills, sports, volunteering, planning a hike...etc)

I enjoyed challenging myself to volunteer at my local community pantry as my service.

I like the feeling of success and achievement i get after completing a task or goal i've been wanting to check of my list. i feel very proud and motivated to keep pushing forward and to try new things, learn new skills, meet new people, and make more amazing memories with my peers. dukes is a really great experience, a choice i am happy i made and something i know i will look back and remember all the great memories i made with my friends. something thats really special to experience as a teenager.

The strong effort and dedication that was set into achieving the award.

What do you value most about your Award experience?

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Being able to serve in my community and assist others, and also to improve myself through the activities

Finding new things about yourself through activities that you don't usually take part in.

the friendships and experiences made

The opportunity to engage with my community in a positive manner, through voluntary service. I also value the chance to expand my skillsets and grow as a person.

That because of this award I have developed leadership skills at the taekwondo centre im coaching at. I am quite close with my students and I enjoy myself when I am with them.

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?
Nothing really, the award just meant that I had to add another thing to my list of things to do, which seemed to go on forever.
N/A
location wise could be better when planning hikes.
There were too many periods where I had to wait for assessor and award leader permission.
I had logged 5 hour entries but they only counted as one. Took forever and paperwork was an ass
I can only log one hour per week
Nothing
Usually my activities took weeks to get approved.
It was quite tiring
Nothing

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?
There are so many hours needed for the higher levels, I wish I had more time outside of school to work on it.
nothing
The administration was very long, but I was going to do the activities anyway
The hikes were kinda disappointing since they were so difficult and hard, it can be bad for some people
it wasn't the program it was me, i personally did not like it as much as i thought i would
The adventurous journey was not only tedious itself, but also tedious to log.
my buddy didn't show up to camp and didn't inform me of it
The high costs involved
that you could only log in one hour a week and you couldn't do more hours in a week to get my weeks

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?

It was difficult to backlog

I found it really annoying that the orb only counted one hour a week of skills and physical recreation, how ever I understand that it promotes consistency.

The major was too long

Nothing. Lack of experience brought challenges for myself and my teammates.

The most disappointing aspect of the Award was the extremely high price tag on everything. The Hikes were far overpriced.

The process of finding assessors for the activities was unclear at first, as well as the procedures to register the activity as approval was needed by the assessors as well as the Award Leader.

The organisation I had to use for my school, Youth Advance, was always very unclear on what to do. They made us pay so much money to be sent unclear emails that were unhelpful. It is a waste of time to only be able to log one hour a week since you have to pay another 60 dollars a month to have extra time because if you don't start IMMEDIATELY, h, you need extra weeks. If you have a mix-up with email or any problems it means you must pay. The emails were useless and we paid too much. the lists for the hike were also unclear. overall bad experience

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?
The logging was very difficult and painful
nothing!
nothing autaly a base of everything
Having more devices available for you to be able to take pics and videos
It took a while to get into cause all of the paper work and stuff. Also the duke of ed hike paper work was quite unorganised
The layout and how the website was, with needing an assessor before you could start logging so if you don't have all the assessor details while you are doing the activity, you cannot be logging it as you go, which caused some problems.
I was overall very satisfied with the experience.
The outlines for what information we needed to include in our logs was not clear and i had to rewrite them all almost a year later.

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?
The admin was difficult to figure out.
I think the help page should have examples of qualifying reports and logs, as it becomes kind a confusing on how to fill them out
Took up time.
Most satisfactory, the reporting could be more organised with email reminders and structure templates.
Well, it's a lot of money and work for not much in return.
I didn't know what to even do or what I gained from doing it, I still don't know.
I didn't like the hikes especially in the rain and some unis don't acknowledge the atar points
The cost was too high.
sleep
The online record book was frustrating to use and processes were very opaque and difficult to understand. I was told that certain elements (assessor reports, etc) would be processed automatically but when I saw no progress on my award I put in my own report in attempt to move things along but could not remove this report when I actually did have the assessor report without contacting duke of ed office directly. ORB app was very sparse and not engaging or easy to understand how to use properly

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?

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The camps would be my personal dissatisfaction. This is mostly due to camps taking too much time on weekends and holidays. On school camps, people usually choose the one that fits the Duke of Ed even when it wouldn't be their first choice but it would waste too much time if they didn't.

It could have been easier to log.

Took too long to be processed

It was very costly and it was hard at times to justify the high cost.

It would be nice if there was an immediate pdf certificate that you were able to access after completing your award.

Felt as if not enough importance was put into the physical aspect of the journey. This should have been specified more in my opinion.

Nothing, it was a lot of fun.

dealing with all the paperwork and not having sufficient help in terms of preparing and organising everything

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?

- expensive
- waiting for approvals
- sometimes a lack of specific answers to questions (even paying for the extra help)

No canoeing opportunity in bronze as we didn't have enough time -so allow more days and better food/explore different cuisines

Often too time taking when it comes to hourly sessions and balancing it with school work. Otherwise fine

N/A

The hours required for our major section was much more demanding than the other sections, as I feel double the number of hours is too much.

I didn't like the camping and conditions faced.

I think the system is a great learning tool for those who want to help discover certain talents or enhance skills that you already have. However, I found it a bit complex and lacklustre in organisation. Award leaders and assessors were not the easiest to find or get approval. The other part that I reckon needs fixing is only being able to log one hour a week. This makes it so you have to wait practically a whole year to finish later levels. Nevertheless it is still a great system to participate in.

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?
I missed out on my year 9 camp with all my friends, in addition, it took almost 3 years for me to get this award due to teacher swaps causing me to not be able to submit my progress
The price of signing up.
Logging the hours takes a lot of time and you can't log more than one hour per week
The system for record taking limiting to one hour a week made my log entries cut my time in half and i had to do much more in order to meet the schedule requirements.
Registering and awaiting office approval
Nothing, i enjoyed everything. Maybe instructions would be helpful on how to use the app?
The prices was too high and excessive for the hike and orb account.
it took way too long for my award to be be granted, I started my bronze in 2021 and finished it early 2022, however my award leader moved away and the things I submitted were not approved for ages, it took until this year 2024 for my award to finally be officially closed so I could start my next one and I will be awarded my bronze next week. I wasted so much time I could have been doing my silver with because no one knew how to approve my award.

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?
not much
im broke man
Not clear on some objectives/ Was not sure what I was supposed to do differently in silver than bronze.
The hike was not enjoyable as the team was poorly managed, especially with others that struggled.
Don't want anyone else getting the free atar
It took so long and you guys were horrible with my comments on things
It was very expensive and some schools did different camps which were easier and they had water provided for them.
Nothing
takes too much time, a lot to organise, very expensive
Didn't have a lot of people doing it with me, however met lots of different people and got to experience so much

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?
that there were so many issues with my ORB
There was a lot of admin which made me feel like it wasn't worth doing since I did the activities anyway. I didn't like that very much. It also took a lot of effort on my teacher (award leader's) end in order to approve me and I hope that in the future, that process is easier for them.
nothing
support
Chances to interact with other people doing the same award.
A lot of work went into doing it. It wasn't very flexible.
how long it takes to log the camo
My awards leaders kept changing and I was unable to receive my award for almost 2 years, regardless of having finished logging activities after 10 months, because of the constant change
Options for adventurous journeys not involving camping and hiking

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?
The approval process was difficult
How long it took. It should have been shorter but due to unreliable planning ahead/overall dawdling it took so much longer than it needed to be which stunted my progress.
The Award leaders signing me off were inefficient and took months to sign me off, meaning I started my silver award and missed about 7 hours of activities that I could have signed off for all three of my activities.
That there are restrictions of what you do to complete the award.
took too long to approve my things, i was waiting for months
External assessors take too long to be approved.
I wasn't a big fan of the hiking with the backpack I would have liked it better if we had a camp and then hiked with out bags as the struggle of having a heavy bag made the hike less fun
I found the amount of paperwork I had to fill out could be discouraging at times.
It took a long time to get it signed off

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?

It was difficult to get things signed off and verified, and the tasks themselves were tedious to complete.

I found it a little pressure to finish certain parts of the award, like the volunteering. I also found it difficult getting my hours signed off.

It just feels as though I paid a lot of money for something that I could do myself for free. I also feel like the award made achieving the activities an inundation; writing logs, finding the assessor, even completing the assessor forms were frustratingly difficult. These aspects gave me the impression that the Duke of Edinburgh International Award is more about the resume at the end than the skills learnt.

Nothing really, I'd say the shock on the first hike is something people should be aware of especially if youve never done something like it before, its 100% a good way to challenge yourself, I felt really proud after finishing my very first hike

there wasn't anything missing or disappointing with my award experience, it was fun

The lack of connection to a leader to talk to and guide me through the experience.

It was easy but not flexible esp with the hours. at the end of the day i do not need a piece of paper to show my community servives to people.

What was missing or disappointing with your Award experience?

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It just was very expensive and the fact that it makes you pay for being behind on logs is ridiculous. It wasn't enjoyable that we weren't allowed to play music whilst walking.

not much

I didn't like the Bronze journey because I felt like it was more of us having to learn all the skills and knowledge to be able to partake in the practise journey instead of us going into the journeys to gain insight on how to use a compass or how to find your location on a map.

making it less hours for gold

It was put on hold due to Covid.

N/a

It required a lot of effort and time to log everything that I did and be consistent. Due to the fact that I was already doing all the activities it just seemed like a bit of extra time that wasn't nessercery.

after the camp it was difficult knowing what to do with all the paperwork and the apps

There were a lot of expenses involved.

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?
It could've been more recognisable of people's individual strengths and weaknesses
N/A
More easier to understand the process as it was confusing when I first started not that much advertising at school I saw it off tiktok and it sounded good for my resume and UNI so that's why I signed up
Smoother process to get award leaders approved
I would have focused more on the completion of new and challenging skills.
Ensure that the first hikes are more interesting and have different activities because walking is very boring for a certain amount of time. Many people quit in the first hike meaning that they don't get to experience the real fun parts of DOE.
2 different types of hikes, like one in the bush and one along coast or something
More focus on outdoor skills
made the camps better

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

A better explanation of the online stuff so I wouldn't be paying for stuff that would never come and doesn't exist.

To improve my award experience, I should have started my duke of ed earlier so that I could finish it before the year comes to an end

have showers please, and let tyson from black diamond be my leader every time

Understanding how the ORB works

Have more options for service more opportunities

I wish you could log multiple hours a week - even if it was capped at say 2 hours because many of my friends do multiple hours a week but you can only log 1.

clearer about how it works and requirements

Not much, i enjoyed every part of the Award program and cannot think of any flaws.

provide more support and make it an easier process to conduct your own adventurous journey.

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?
Provide more support and information to individuals who wish to complete their own adventurous journey.
Filled out the document earlier
Calculate logs for more than 1 hour for one week as most of the logs last for more than a hour.
There is nothing everything is perfect.
The adventurous journey could have been improved with better pacing and more breaks to make it less hectic and more enjoyable.
I struggled with figuring out how to use the website at first.
The app was a bit annoying as once you have completed the section and need send it to your asesor, there is no way to resend or change the assesors email phone ect. My problem was that I had put in the incorrect email for my assesor and then sent the email to the wrong adress, however I was not allowed to change the email or resend the email and had to ask my award leader to do it for me. That is my only complaint.
Less on the Major activity and maybe just have more time needed on all different progression.

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?
Sending email reminders when award has been inactive for more than a month.
Get better prepared for my duke of ed bronze hike.
By looking into getting into a community service organisation sooner
Maybe more animal appreciation (e.g feeding the cows)
N/A
shorter wait times for people to approve my tasks
Chosen activities that I would be more interested in
Being able to participate in a community service program that involves more interaction with other individuals or communities, such as op-shops or helping at primary schools.
Make it easier to edit the link once you have submitted it, just in case you don't upload the right form.

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?
Start eariler
Given more information and guidance throughout the program
The website could have more ideas and options for Adventurous Journeys, especially ones undertaken outside of your school or organization.
Maybe making sure when I completed things I logged them on time.
go to a different campsite as there was a chicken keeping me up all night
Nothing
Making it more known to people at a younger age. Explain the award in more detail and what it can do for you in the future and what skills you can learn from it.
Less paperwork to fill out before actually starting.
Better planning for the adventurous jurney, and i could have update my logs regularly instead of having to backtrack for months.
more idea of what to write for recording completed work

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?
Done more practice before doing the journey
I found the logging quite hard and tedious but I eventually figured everything out
N/A
Log logs immediately
Every time I do an activity for skill, service or physical recreation. I would log it instantly instead of forgetting about it then backlogging 3 weeks later.
On a local level, it would be great if there was a shared database of organisations that support the Duke of Edinburgh program allowing young people to volunteer. I struggled (initially) to find an organisation as I was 14 when I started the Bronze and needed to wait until I was 15 to do my community based volunteer work.
more volunteering options
nothing it was a great experience
Less expensive. More hours a week

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?
More notice about being more descriptive about activities instead of the award leader telling me one year later.
be more open to things todo with service and the other things
I feel like you could make it so you can log more then one hour per week, for example I would of logged about 60hours of my major (sport) and would of finished it quicker if you make it 1hr and 30mins
Youthadvance takes their time so they can milk as much money possible from the students; this has soured my experience of Duke of Ed.
Being able to chnage your assesor hald way through for fatser completion
More choices for volunteering
I cannot think of anything that would improve my award experience.
Being able to log more than one hour a week
Completed my hours at a more frequent rate and not cramming at the last minute

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

I could have been more consistent with logging my hours.

I would have made more of an effort to connect with my peers who went on the Silver Duke of Edinburgh hike with me.

The documentation for the adventurous journey was a bit confusing

Better sights, or getting ready stages

It was all satisfactory.

No improvements necessary

To improve my award experience I would have reduced the amount of paperwork I had to do for the adventurous journey because it took time away from the experience.

Get on top of things quicker

The process of completing forms after the adventurous journey could be simplified.

N/A, the only reason I wouldn't recommend it to some people is that it doesn't align with what they want (they would have no motivation to do logs or Adventurous Journeys etc).

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- should have had a proper list of items needed- dressed according to weather
Maybe an email when the assessor has signed of my award.
Probably needed to stay on top of logging activities
Nothing much, only issues I had were with the sight going under maintenance for a short period of time (was slightly inconvenient but didn't last for a long time).
have more meetings and communicatio from award leader
Unsure
im not sure
Refine the logging experience (rather than having only 1 hour able to be logged for a week, have multiple and increase the amount needed total)
More lenient to injuries. I barely completed the award in the set time frame because of a surgery I had to have.
Maybe making the app a little easier to use and edit you logs

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?
If I had more organisations that were understanding of boarding experience to join as a part of this program and if the award leader didn't change as often within the college.
less expensive because while duke of ed is a great experience for young people, its only accessible for some.
Ensure that the hike fills the time allocated for said hike.
Making the ORB easier to access as sometimes, ORB would kick me out, tell me to change my password numerous times, have a problem but no solution (Red box that says copy to clipboard). I think if you change all those factors and making the ORB more user friendly, the award process would go much smoother for students.
Have a bit more information on how to write the AJs, as it was a bit confusing at first, and I need others to help me understand, but not everyone will have the same amount of help.
Not having to wait over 9 weeks for my Adventurous Journey to be approved, when there was nothing wrong with it
Log different alternate hours for the service section. Be able to choose not just one but more forms of service to the community.

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?
If I did it quicker, it would have been easier and less stressful.
I found that it was difficult to upload pictures sometimes, and when uploading my AJ report I needed to size it down significantly since it was too large of a file, so making some adjustments in these areas might be helpful.
The initial stages: the organisation of the forms were quite difficult to understand
Make it easier to edit goals, assessors on the OBR
Not anything
Better info on how to use the app
Made it easier to sign up / get going with the award.
Sometimes the ORB is a bit slow in uploading your activities and logging in.
Being able to add more hours at one time.
Notification reminders to help people remember to complete logging or doing the tasks.

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

I could have been a bit more quicker in completing it and not waste too much time.

I probably could have gotten things done a bit quicker, I think it took me a lot longer than it probably should have.

Allocate time appropriately

I found my award experience really good and I wouldn't change anything.

I could have been more consistent with logging my sport hours so that I could have completed the award more efficiently.

- A more clear and concise explanation on how to start
- Support or explanation from other people who have completed the award

Quicker authorization

In regards to logging hours, don't limit it to 1-2 hours per week. Rarely I'll have to do a 4-5 hour session of something, and 3-4 hours of that go to absolutely nothing. Although I'm happy to participate for however long I am needed to, its frustrating when so much of it doesn't progress your award, even though you are putting a lot of time into your activity

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

The logging while needed can get a bit long after a while

I didn't have much communication from my award leader so it was a bit hard to complete the award

Everything was done perfectly and it was an easy process

I had a couple of glitches on the online record book which made my experience less enjoyable.

Many of the things on the list of materials to bring for the adventurous journey hike were unnecessary and just added extra weight. The list should only show what is important to bring, and maybe recommend items that could be brought on the hike.

Become more popular so everyone knows about the award

Submitted more often and record when I do the activities in case I forget to submit after doing the activity.

I would have liked to be more prepared and organised when writing reports and add my hours.

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?
remember to log my hours in, i forgot for 2 months
more explicit instructions on the detail in which you have to log
clearer and more simple instructions for the online virtual camp
Log every time I complete an hour instead of doing it all in one go.
I think that I could have elaborated my logging more.
Hour grouping so that you can count more than 1 hour a week, especially in regards to high level physical recreation.
More support both financially and communally would have been great. Also, a greater range of activities for adventure and residential (in particular in WA) would be excellent.
choose easier activities that i can do as often as i need to
My school could have offered me more support as I didn't know what I was doing for majority of the bronze completion. This meant I did many things wrong and didn't have much motivation to complete the award. It also took me much longer than it should have to complete the award.

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?
More options for adventurous journeys
Change the logging hours system.
Keep on track and make myself log everything I have done the past day.
I wish we could log in more hours per week instead of one.
Be able to put more than 1 hour when participating in a camp.
Make it easier to navigate and write logs
Idk
i didn't like only being able to do one hour a week it set me back a lot
Ability to upload assessor report for an individual activity before the component is complete
N/A
I think it was good but just quite expensive.

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

I think it was more an issue of my school but knowing what and how much to write in my logs was a big issue and by the end my school said I hadn't done enough so I had to go back and write more

Completing working hours earlier into the time that I received the loggings.

Make the assessor forms easier to fill out/not as tight around what is needed from them.

Manage my time and work consistently on my progress.

I had a lot of trouble getting everything approved. My assessor took too long to approve it so the link had timed out and it was a bit frustrating to get this sorted.

nothing overall i enjoyed the experience

I think for me personally I struggled with the lack of support whilst completing it and the lack of options/alternatives whilst on crutches/injured (knee) to complete the physical activity components of the award

I really enjoyed my time completing my hours and improving my skills along this journey but I did seem to take longer than I should have to complete all of these hours. I would recommend that anyone taking part in this award should always keep ahead and complete at least 1 hour of each part per week.

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?
Be more clear when not approving people's awards.
Nothing, the only bad parts are the mandatory reflections, logging, etc. I doubt anyone likes them but you have to do it
I found the adventurous challenge quite challenging. Perhaps rather than being limited to walking, the challenge could also include other sport types.
Perhaps choosing our tent buddy beforehand. I was fortunate enough to have my friend in my tent, however had my buddy been a random, spending the night together would be awkward and uncomfortable.
The Approval Process is very tedious, the time it takes between submitting logs and approval for it is very time-consuming. Additionally, logs can't be done until specific dates, even though I have completed these requirements just having to wait and then come back to log these hours just is inconvenient
The programming of the ORB could be more flexible, so that certain actions can be performed more easily (e.g having to contact my Award Leader every time I needed to setup/edit information for the Adventurous Journey component was very time-consuming). The ORB should be improved so that less stages of approval are required by the Award Leader; to save the participant's time.

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

Making the camps cheaper, having teachers be more organised and efficient in accepting my skills logging, a faster system.

I would have been better at logging my hours as I go rather than noting them down elsewhere and uploading them all at the end.

Nothing it was pretty great

Everything was perfect.

have specific times that we can choose from. instead of just 30 minutes or an hour

The hardest part is the paperwork can take forever to complete

Nothing, the award was a wonderful experience

I don't know

Not all that much, everything went pretty well.

It took me 2 years to complete it as the award centre never approved my award, and my account was deactivated before they approved it, meaning I had to get my supervisor to reactivate it :/ :(

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?
Maybe if it was a bit more educated through the school i was at more people would of done it.
got the award done quicker amongst other things
Not much, the team behind the organisation were very helpful and prompt with their work.
Perhaps a more efficient explanation of how to use the orb website
Everything was good except for the part when I transferred to gold after I turned 16 and yet the office transferred all of the hours over which led to the award being rejected at first. So maybe making sure that the hours from 16 years were only transferred over.
N/A
start earlier to avoid finishing stress
None.
A better date of the camp because of the weather.

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?
There should be the ability to log more than one hour a week
Well Done and there was nothing to really improve.
Thank You
N/A.
It was annoying trying to find an assessor and not being able to unsubmit requests for assessments.
time it takes for national office to approve my award
less paperwork when signing up
The award program could be more organised through my school and more promoted
Being able to log more than 1 hour for each category.
More organisation around adventurous journeys for younger students to ensure safety and low costs-making the award more accessible for people with less money.
Getting my hours done quicker and more efficiently put into the log in app.

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

It would have been nice to have started earlier, However this is my issue not the awards issue. I found it difficult to change my activities eg. when soccer season finished, going back to soccer. There was also a slight 'error' in the time keeping. if you did catch up hours you were awarded them, however if you did extra hours prior a break, they were not counted. eg. I did a three hour week of activity then had two weeks break, then resumed with a 1 hour week activity, in this case I wasn't awarded my extra two hours because I had done them prior to the break.

Only being able to log 1 hour per week was a little bit annoying as on some occasions I had more hours than required (which was cool as it meant more help and service :)) but it just lengthened the time it took to log all the hours needed. e.g. I did a weekly service that went for 2 hours. But in the log book, it was only recognised as 1h because of the 1h cap.

Packed more water

An easier way to have external assessor's as that turned me away from doing certain aspects of the award outside of my school.

Less pressure on developing and conducting an adventurous journey with students due to safety issues, should be safer alternatives with trusted adults like teachers or parents

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?
it was good i cant think of anything to improve it
I would have taked photos to show my work
Easier in-app features
Reduce the amount of paperwork, though that's just because it's annoying. I recommend you keep it due to the fact it helps young people learn about excessive amounts of paperwork, but I'd say try to make the experience less about jumping through hoops and moreso about documenting adventures.
It was very tough at some stages, which is why I might not recommend it to some people that might not be able to complete the award. The award was also a bit confusing/unclear at some stages on what I needed to do or what documents I needed to fill out at a particular time. This is why I would have made sure that I knew what to fill out at a particular time. e.g. filling out the documents about the hikes right after completing them.
I could have talked to my mentors more so the process of submitting the signatures would be smoother and faster
Make it easier to check off my components once I had finished them.

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

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More information could be given on the website to explain each step/feature, and what is required of you to complete the program (e.g. how much should you write).

Some of the authorisations from my award leader were a bit tedious. But otherwise everything was very efficient.

virtual journey was long and boring for the most part

have a better idea of who to talk to when completing

To not put in too much detail in my online logs and make it more like a story - like I am telling someone what I have done.

It took a really long time to go through the process of getting started with the award and filling in the information about the camp was a little confusing.

Choose our own groups

Everything being cheaper. Hikes not being as painful.

Making the form for the qualifying journey easier to fill out.

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

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not much - definitely recommend going into it with good friends, or making them along the way because it makes all the difference.
Better quality website, which allows for faster logging of hours.
Potentially take track of what I do for my log instead of doing it weeks later
more consistency
Starting earlier then we did.
Having more support and assistance with finishing my bronze level.
I don't think it needs to be changed much, the award was quite a good experience.
I would know exactly how to work the website as it was confusing at times with all the approvals and when you made a mistake how to change it
I would not have procrastinated completing the reward...
Not sure, thought it was a good experience

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?
Speed up the authorisation/approving process
The registration experience and getting started with everything
Organised my paperwork more so the process was faster.
I could've possibly been provided with more assistance in terms of the paperwork and approval process, but I think figuring out how to do all of that by myself taught me a lot about bureaucracy and holding myself to account, so now that I'm finished I wouldn't change it, though some help would've made it easier in the moment.
Done it with friends
Possibly a bit less approval stuff. As it is quite difficult to keep getting it.
Nothing.
More camps and trips available for the completion of the adventurous journey.
Nothing much
just done it

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?
To have more friends do it with me.
I thought that the overall experience was great. I liked the different components that we had to complete, however, the system of logging our completed hours was a little challenging at times.
Nothing really I really enjoyed doing the “Duke of ed award”
allow more then 1 hour to be added each week
I thought that although my overall award experience was positive, there were some elements of the website that could have been altered to further improve it. Something that could be added is more explicate information that the website will only count you hours if they are spread over one hour a week, as I found myself rather confused when I had logged over the necessary amount, however had not technically completed the section of the award.
Have people sign off on my tasks and sections sooner.
Nothing
make the registration process easier and also make it so that you can log more than 1 hour of volunteering a week

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?
Finding an assessor was very difficult!
nothing
Better communication from the award leaders
Written longer logs so I didn't have to write the page at the end.
Take it easier with hiking and pack lighter
packed better
I would have tried to test my limits and challenge myself out of my comfort zone(school) a little more. I would also have loved to participate more actively.
I think I could have been more on top of my hours, and more excited to complete the hike rather than be negative about it
I could have been more organised to finish the award way earlier than the schedule

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?
To better focus on staying in task with all my activity logs
The response to finding mistakes and getting feedback to my reports were quite slow
being able to add
I don't think there is anything that could improve the experience
I would have completed my Bronze Award in a shorter period of time, so I could have done my Silver and perhaps Gold before the end of school.
Nothing
easier setup of assessors and wwcc
I believe that the system is quite well put together. The only thing I would suggest is more moderation to ensure that each and every person is completing the award to the same level. I know of people who completed the award who did not camp to the same level as me, which I believe is unfair.

What could have been done differently to improve your Award experience?

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Nothing, the experience was good and well organised.

Nothing I had a very positive experience

More explanation about how time-consuming the activities can be to aid participants in creating a time management plan.

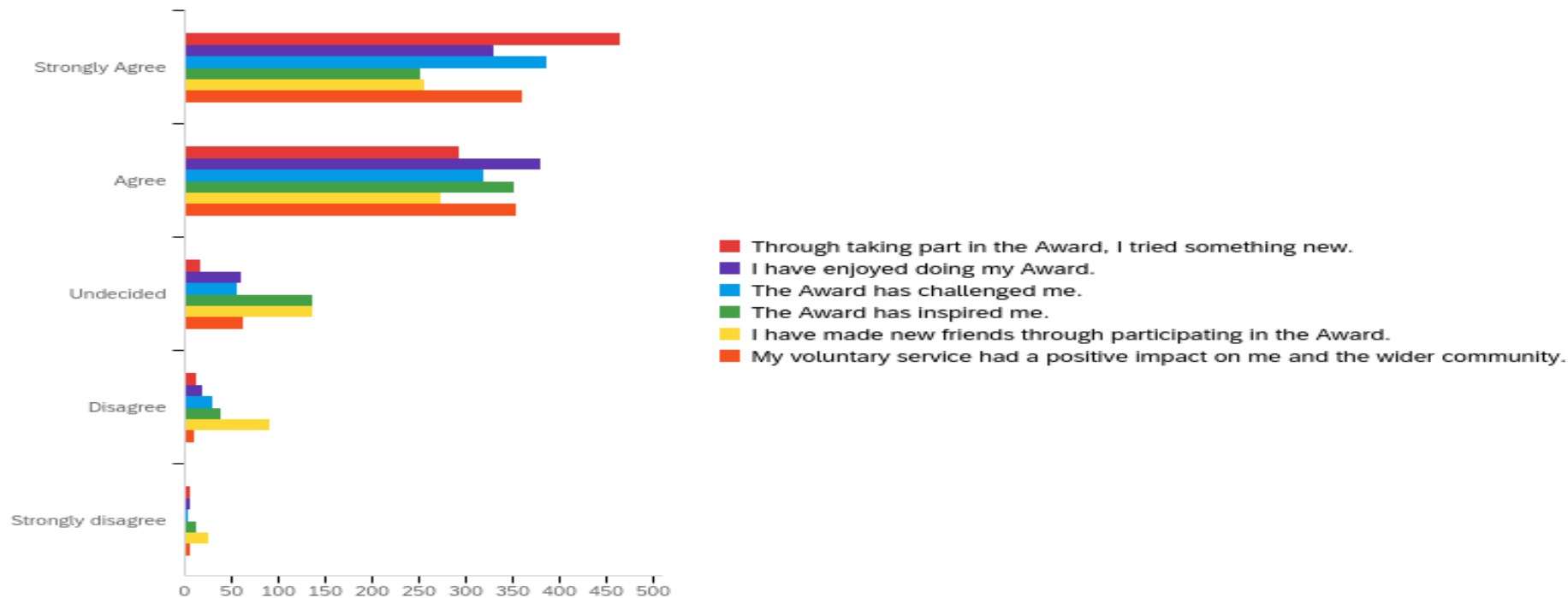
maybe write reports on time

Allowed to have multiple hours each week instead of just 1

Allow to log 15 logs as the minimum is 30 and it means for some activities you have to do them for 30 minutes even though they only last around 10-15. It would also be helpful to be able to see exactly how much progress you have made in terms of hours logged so instead of saying 6 hours say 6 hours 15 minutes. The rules of how much U can log per fortnight should also be more clearly posted.

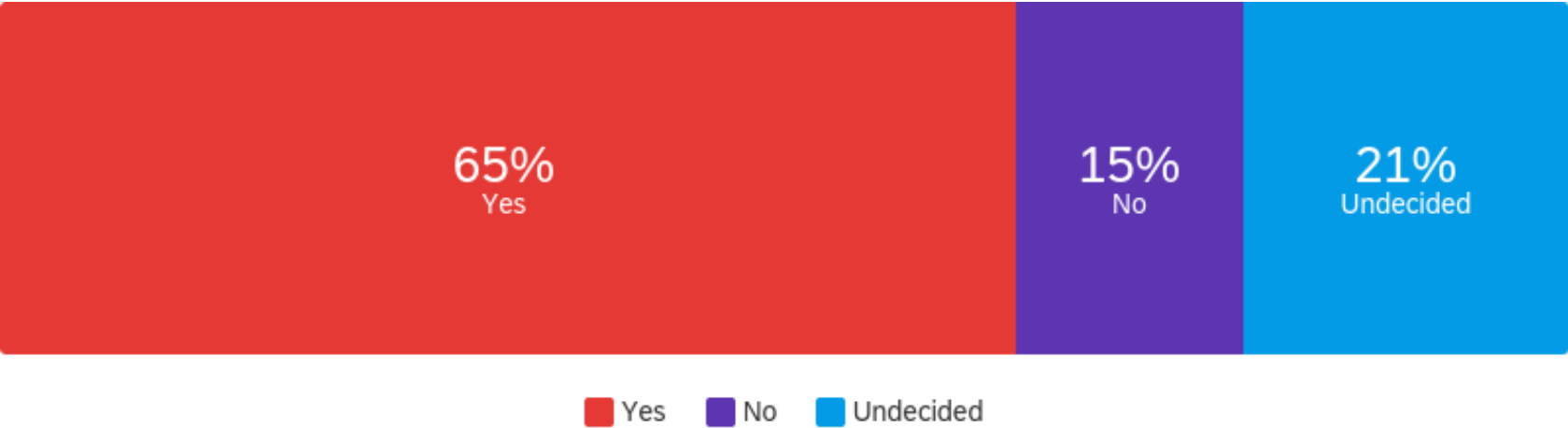
make it easier to log hours, especially if I have completed more than one hour/week. Take less time to approve award / activities

Reflecting on your Award experience... For the following questions, please rate your response to the given statement on the scale from strongly agree to strongly disagree.



Question	Strongly Agree		Agree		Undecided		Disagree		Strongly disagree		Total
Through taking part in the Award, I tried something new.	58.66%	464	36.92%	292	2.15%	17	1.64%	13	0.63%	5	791
I have enjoyed doing my Award.	41.61%	330	47.92%	380	7.57%	60	2.27%	18	0.63%	5	793
The Award has challenged me.	48.80%	387	40.10%	318	6.94%	55	3.66%	29	0.50%	4	793
The Award has inspired me.	31.90%	252	44.43%	351	17.34%	137	4.81%	38	1.52%	12	790
I have made new friends through participating in the Award.	32.65%	255	35.08%	274	17.29%	135	11.65%	91	3.33%	26	781
My voluntary service had a positive impact on me and the wider community.	45.63%	360	44.74%	353	7.73%	61	1.14%	9	0.76%	6	789

Are you planning to continue to the next level of the Award?



Answer	%	Count
Yes	64.65%	395
No	14.57%	89
Undecided	20.79%	127
Total	100%	611

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?
Not sure if I have room in my schedule
I don't know if I have the time.
I would really like to but 10 days for our hike is a long time. Aswell is such a long time of different activities that take more than 1 hour they really take about 2 driving there and back and it has a big impact on routines and in year 11 and 12 I can't be doing that for such a long time.
I'm pretty busy next year.
It costs way too much and honestly the whole online stuff was really annoying to deal with.
I didnt enjoy it
Paperwork and approval are too much work
I don't know yet
I haven't decided but I also don't have a lot of time to do additional stuff as I play sports and I now I am also going into year 10 where I really have to try and get the best scores.

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?

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I will be using my time to study more next year
Because I have missed camp due to exchange and now I would have to sign up to a different camp with people I don't know.
Because I think it was a difficult task and I don't want to experience that again
I'm worried I won't be able to balance the award with the incoming workload of year 11, if I was in the years, 7,8 or 9 I would definatly continue to the next stage.
Kind of expensive
Too much logging and I don't like a timeframe hanging over my head
I have to talk through it with my mum first
To much work with school and sport
I would love to but I'm not that interested to continue
Because the experience was terrible and I do not want to spend the rest of my high school years doing that, sorry!

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?
I might be I clicked undecided
because i don't enjoy it enough
time
Haven't decided yet.
It took too long for me to complete the bronze
The high costs and balance of school with DOE
because i don't feel like i have time to and i have other things are are in more importance
Because I'm not interested in doing the next level
Too much logging
Because I don't have the time and I don't want to
I do not have the time needed to complete the award, as I will be focusing on my studies.

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?

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I may or may not continue to do the duke of ed for time management reasons. I do multiple others sports, youth groups, etc & there is little time left in my week. Although, this is a great exprience and i am leaning towrds doing it next year.

I found the journey really challenging and by the end I had sprained my ankle and hurt my hip.

Because it is way too expensive.

I want to focus on my school work a little more even though I have very much enjoyed the Bronze level.

bad experience with youth advance. unclear emails and too much pay.

Because it was too hard and annoying to complete

Because I think that the DoE bronze award is enough for Me. I also feel that I don't want to have to complete the skills and goals as well as school work and other commitments

I am moving to a new school and it makes it difficult to complete the next level

idk yet

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?
The next level is too expensive
Im not sure if i have the time to complete the next level.
I dont have time next year to complete the next level
I find the award to hard to balance with school work and outside activities.
It's very expensive
It is alot of work for an award and I have a lot going on my plate yes I could complete it but its still a lot of work
I don't know if I can focus on studies as well
I have other commitments in my life that I need to prioritize at this time.
I am not sure if I am continuing since I would like to focus on my Yr 12 studies next year so I can get a high ATAR and pursue my dream of getting into medicine.
The stuff takes a while to do and can be hard on people who work.

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?

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I didn't enjoy it.
I don't have the time or the energy.
My friends dont want to do it.
Its expensive and i am moving county.
Uncertain of location of residence as I am attending university next year hence allocating a DoE assessor will prove difficult
Cost
I will have graduated and have no method of continuing.
not interested sorry!
I dont have enough time to complete the Gold Award
i will have lots going on with university and leaving year 12 and although i will continue to complete things in the areas that duke of ed requires i dont want the hassel of paperwork and chasing up assessors

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?
Too expensive and having to do it by myself and not with a class.
I finished high school and I'd prefer doing it in school with friends for the hike
Because of the residential project that will mostly cost a lot of money and because the adventurous journey will also cost a lot of money
I am unsure whether I want to experience the difficulty of setting up the award.
It's a bit stressful towards the end. Also I never go well on camps and always injure myself somehow.
I'm undecided
Going into University next year and working part time I will be focusing on that, and I will continue to do my own voluntary/community service work that I am already involved in and have been doing my whole life.
its very time consuming and expensive
I won't have time nor the facilities to periodically fill out logs and complete them

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?
More time to focus on other things.
Because I'm satisfied with bronze level and don't have plans which require me to attain a silver or gold, throughout my highschool years this may change.
I haven't decided yet
Time and School Work
It's a lot of time I don't have.
Not sure yet, but just because of my schedule being busy and how it took a long time to chase up assessors and ensure the journey section was ready to go.
Because it's expensive.
I'm not sure if I'm able to complete the camps in the way my school wants me to
I am a busy person and the completion of the award took away my personal time although I knew it would, the amount of hours to complete the Silver is too many for me though.
I have other programs that I think will be more beneficial to me, instead of this.

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I need to focus on my studies at school and the next Award level is too time consuming. Plus the cost will be way too high.

I am moving to Denmark, and they do not do DoE for my grade level (Year 10)

Im not 100% sure yet but mostly because it will flow through to year 11 and 12 and I was as much time as I can next year and year 12 to focus on my studies.

Because it was hard logging everything

I am getting too busy with other activities, so I have made the decision not to continue.

Not sure yet.. my experience with the bronze level of the award was so frustrating. it took 2 YEARS to get fully completed even though I'd finished most of it in the first 9 months. If I do end up continuing further levels, id want the UI experience to be MUCH better than it was for bronze. I enjoyed doing the activities for the duke of ed award, but the documentation process was so annoying that it put a bit of a dampener on my overall award experience

I am yet to decide

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?
i have a busy schedule
Unsure if I would like to continue yet.
university
Because I didnt complete my bronze award before my year 10 camp so i cant use it for my adventurous journey.
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N/A
VCE commitments
Not sure if able to balance with year 12
I think that I will struggle with logging in activities every day as I progress the future I will have more to do.
Cannot afford

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?

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It's too late and I'm too old
I found the Adventurous Journey part of the Bronze award very tough. But after finding out about the benefits of Gold award, I might consider doing Silver.
I don't like the camping and it is a lot of money for something I can do in my freetime
Want to focus on my studies
It is quite expensive and I am entering the later years of high school meaning more study time is needed.
Mainly because of exams and study
I can't find any time in my schedule to want to do it and I'm not as interested
because it's the same thing for silver as bronze include the same amount of hours and it really expensive
As I am going into my senior years at school I am unsure if I will be able to maintain my time and manage it to a point where I can complete my HSC and partake in the award at the same time.

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?

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Because it is a program offered at school and I am graduating this year.

I mean the hikes are great but I just found logging tedious. REALLY weak excuse but other than putting it on a resume, there isn't a big incentive.

Though the Bronze level was supposed to be completed in only 6 months, I ended up doing it for about 12 months in total as the whole back-and-forth approval system by the Award Leader just took too long for me and delayed the whole process a lot. The documentation of all the logs and the AJ report also took up a substantial amount of my time, as I wrote quite a lot.

I am hesitant on commencing Silver or Gold as I am not sure if I will be able to complete both levels before Year 12, which was my initial aim.

because of university

It took me over two years to complete my silver medal. I am currently doing year 12 and do not have time to commit to it. In the future I may try for my gold, but currently that is not my priority.

N/A

I do not have much time to complete it currently, and I do not have a group or activity I want to do for the adventurous journey

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I may continue the silver level of the award, but I would like to focus on school for a while, and after that, I may look to complete the rest of the award.
i might i'm not sure yet - had a bad experience at the trip cause it was so hard which is really making me doubt whether or not i want to continue to the next level
I am leaving the organisation through which I did the award.
Time consuming and I have other responsibilities as well as school, to get into university
too time consuming and i have priorities, also its expensive
Now that I've got exams and Year 12 to focus on, I've decided to not continue as I would like to focus on my studies more, and I've managed to gain the experiences I can never forget from completing Silver and I feel satisfied with those experiences I've gained and see no reason to try and gain any further experiences through completing the Gold Award.
You guys took so long approving my stuff it got boring and uninteresting
It was time consuming and I don't have enough time.

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I am a year 12 student and will not be able to fit it in this year. I will continue doing the activities after I finish school but won't have an easily accessible award leader at school. Had my approval for the bronze and silver camps been quicker, I would have been able to complete my gold award already, but the tedious administrative issues held me back a lot.
N/A.
I don't have the time unfortunately
Too heavy a workload on top
The overall experience wasn't too bad but i just disliked the adventurous journey experience, i seemed to rlly struggle in that. It was also really stressful to get everything signed at the start.
I'm not sure if I can do it
I felt the bronze award is enough of a challenge for me and it still took me about a year to complete.
too much time has to be allocated to it, it is very unaffordable

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?
not too sure yet
I want to be paid for the next jobs I do. (Retail, sport coaching/umpiring, etc)
Going into year 12, I need to focus on my academic studies more. Perhaps I will continue into Gold in University.
For doe, I already did most of the activities already so it was a matter of recording them. This was quite annoying and tedious. Same goes for the adventure journey log.
Isn't available to me
it is too much work and i don't have time for it
not enough time and not on my priorities
Im still deciding
In year 12, so don't talk if I will have as much time.
I'm just uncertain at the moment.

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?
The process is too long and the activities require a supervisor
Don't have time to comit to it
Too busy with other areas of life
I am in year 12 and it would be too busy to do this year as i want to focus on my studies
I need to focus on my studies for higher education.
Took too long. If i finished silver midway through 2023 I would have but now its been pushed till a quarter of 2024 so it will take too long
Because I'm don't sure when I would do the camp at the end
Not fit enough to do the camp
With my studies intensifying, I feel as though the Silver Level is just a little too intense for me, it has nothing to do with the award itself. :)
I am unsure due to time and money commitments, and if my other friends will also do it.

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Too busy occupied with other things such as work and sport
As much as I enjoyed it, it did obviously take a lot of time, and this year is already proving to be very busy, so I am not sure if I have the time at the moment.
Despite my enjoyment of the bronze level of this award, I have decided not to continue as I am short of spare time this year.
It would mean completing two more 'Adventurous journeys' which is not really feasible.
It was something I'm proud of doing but I'd rather not do it again, I didn't enjoy it enough to do it a second time.
Per reasons stated in the last writing section, I could easily attain skills without needing to participate in the Duke of Edinburgh. The program feels more restricting than it is freeing.
Currently in year 12 completing the international bac, don't have time and don't want to added stress
not sure about it

Please tell us why you are not planning to continue to the next Award level?

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I feel as though with school becoming harder and not have as much time, I wouldn't have the time or effort to complete the next level confidentially

I might focus more on my education, and I might not have time to the award since it will be more than the bronze one

I don't know if I can do it during school time

Not enough time as year 11 and year 12 upcoming

the cost of my school not doing it anymore

I'm not sure yet because of my school work building up. I may not have time.

It may be difficult to do it in my free time. Instead of doing it with a class.

i do community services with Youth At Toronga Zoo during my school holidays. i am volunteering but noi based on the times the award requires. it is disappointing as this is something i enjoy doing and want to help with.

i still will drop food off at St John but not on a rosters.

this system has to be more flexible as this is the reason many dont continue doing it.

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I don't think I will have time later in the year.

was way to much money for what it actually is

It's a lot of work.

I am in Year 12 doing ATAR, so I feel as if I won't have the time to commit to another Award.

I do not have the time to make that commitment.

it is a lot of effort for things that I am already doing.

I an unsure at the moment, I may

bronze was too challenging to do something even harder

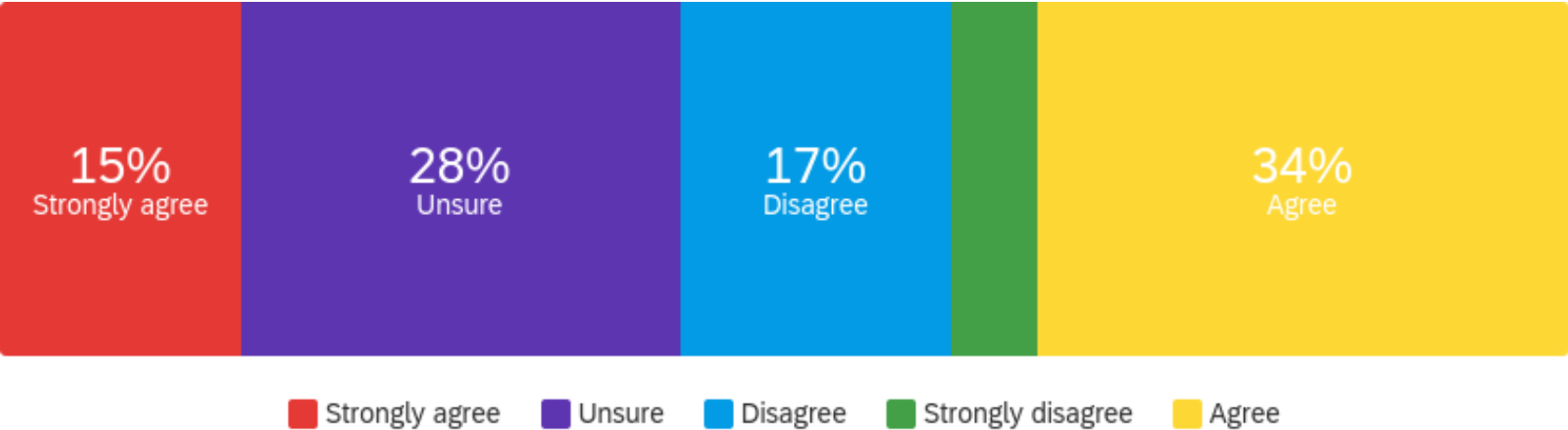
I'm going into my final year of high school and since the award is very time-consuming and the adventurous journey would cut through school time it would benefit me more to continue after graduation.

I got very sunburnt and sick on the Bronze camp and my parents didn't want me to go to another one.

I do not see the point in pursuing the next level of duke of ed as it is expensive and does not have many long term positives.

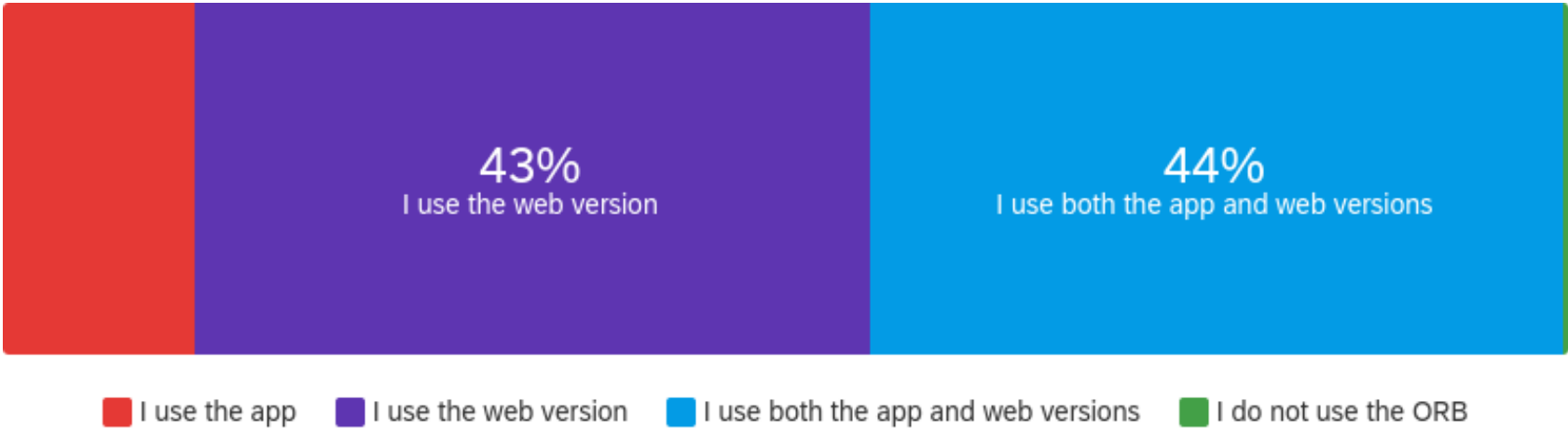
I no longer have support through my teachers and it's more about time to do it than wanting to do it.

Do you agree with the following statement? The Award is affordable for youth my age.



Answer	%	Count
Strongly agree	15.34%	121
Unsure	27.88%	220
Disagree	17.24%	136
Strongly disagree	5.58%	44
Agree	33.97%	268
Total	100%	789

ORB - Do you use the app or the web version of the ORB?



Answer	%	Count
I use the app	12.21%	96
I use the web version	43.13%	339
I use both the app and web versions	44.27%	348
I do not use the ORB	0.38%	3
Total	100%	786

ORBExperience - Do you agree with the following statement? I find it simple to navigate and log activities on the ORB.



Answer	%	Count
Strongly agree	39.62%	309
Agree	50.64%	395
Unsure	5.64%	44
Disagree	2.95%	23
Strongly Disagree	1.15%	9
Total	100%	780

ORBExperience - What would you change or add to the ORB to make it easier to use?

What would you change or add to the ORB to make it easier to use?

A better tutorial. An app that easier to navigate and better assistance. It's too hard to contact the people. Better FAQs.

A help center and intructions

I was using a samsung phone to log my activities and I could only log either 15 minutes, 30 minutes or 1 hour. (couldn't log 20 mins) and if I did two hours of an activity, it would only count of the hours, whereas my friends had the app on an apple phone and they could log any time period and it counted two hours of activities.

make it clearer the difference between assesor and supervisor

You do not need all assessor details before you can start logging, only need it to send for assessor approval.

On the app allow to upload files

no

Making it easier to log and change logs. And making it easier to upload files.

Make it more user friendly, and easier to navigate through the website

lable the adventuruse journey making it easier to understand

Make it more user friendly which I said last last last question i think.

The ORB does not always update the hours if u do 2 hours a fortnight. I feel like the ORB should also count the minutes I do as technical if u add all the minutes I did I would have done well then over the require hours but it was not counted. Also if the file is to big we can not upload the Duke of ed report to ORB and then it looks like we haven't handed it in.

Make the calculation of hours avaiable, so I can plan ahead for the most time efficient award

Do not limit the amount of hours that can be logged per week.

instructions

make instructions on how to access.

More clarity about what to put where (how to log an activity, what info to include. etc) and what I need to do for chasing up assessor reports and other documentation

more explanations on each part, as well as a better log system (i.e. fixing the uncounted days if performed within the same week)

if you made a mistake in the adviser teachers email or something you are able to edit and change it

Idk

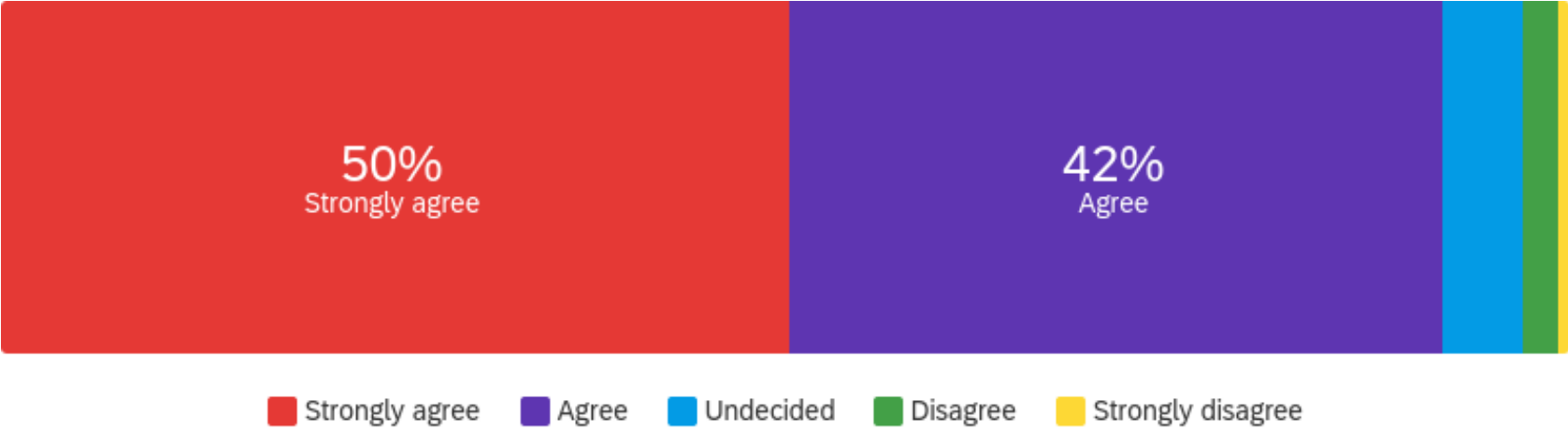
If you make a mistake you can change it on your end so the process is quicker

easier to access setting and a guide

not sure, but it was tricky to navage

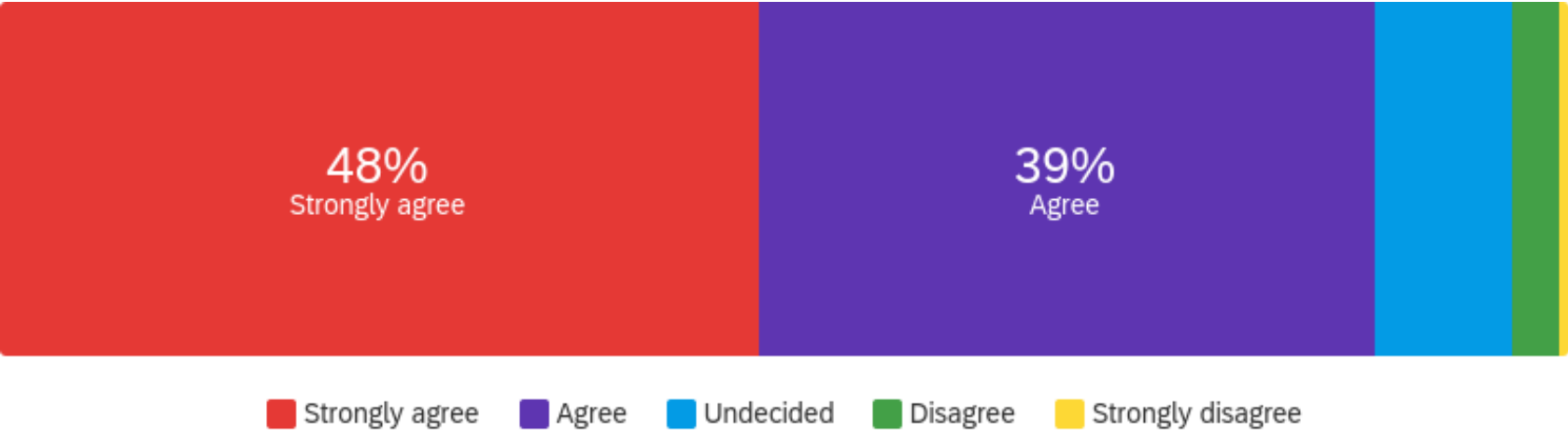
Make it easier to log hours for tasks, and re-edit

ComfortableAL - I feel comfortable contacting my Award Leader/ a member of staff in the Award team at my school/organisation when I have a problem with my Award programme.



Answer	%	Count
Strongly agree	50.19%	389
Agree	41.55%	322
Undecided	5.16%	40
Disagree	2.32%	18
Strongly disagree	0.77%	6
Total	100%	775

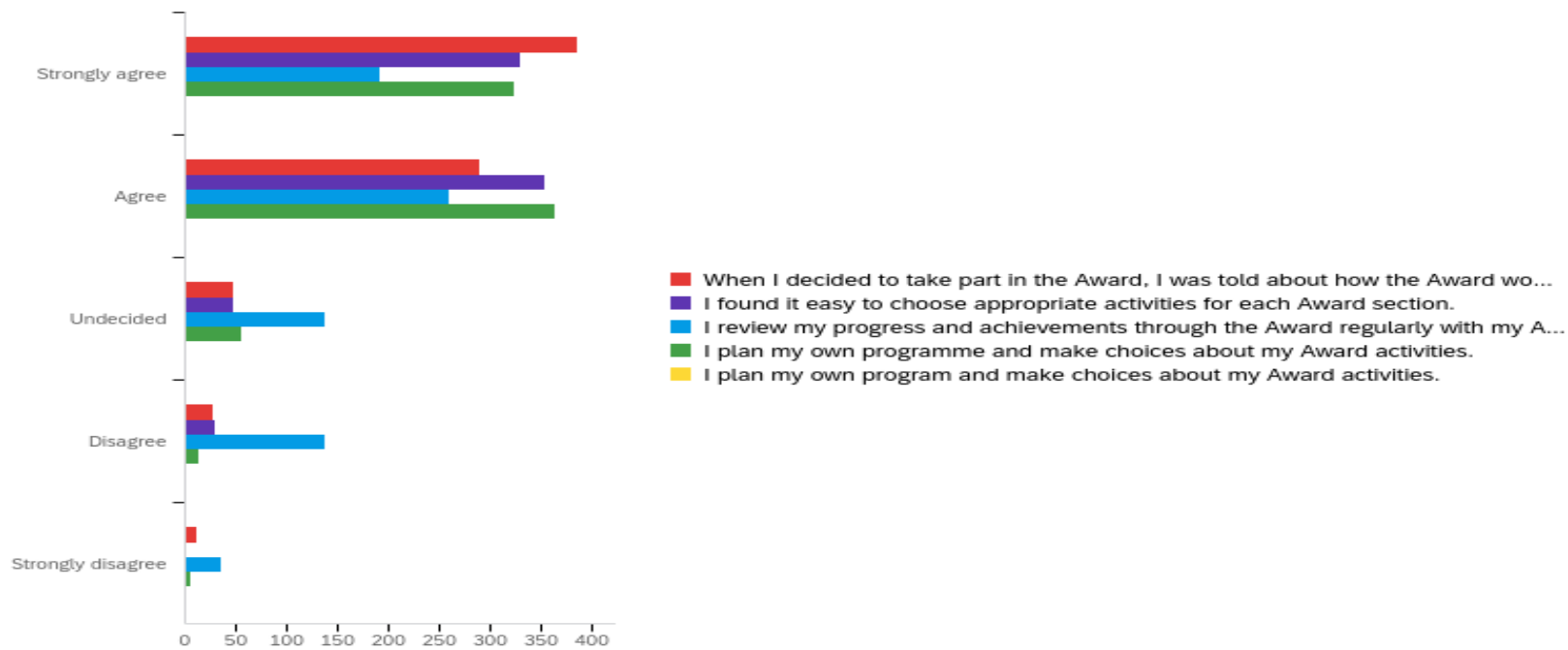
ALSupports - My Award Leader supports and encourages me.



Answer	%	Count
Strongly agree	48.32%	374
Agree	39.15%	303
Undecided	8.79%	68
Disagree	3.10%	24
Strongly disagree	0.65%	5
Total	100%	774

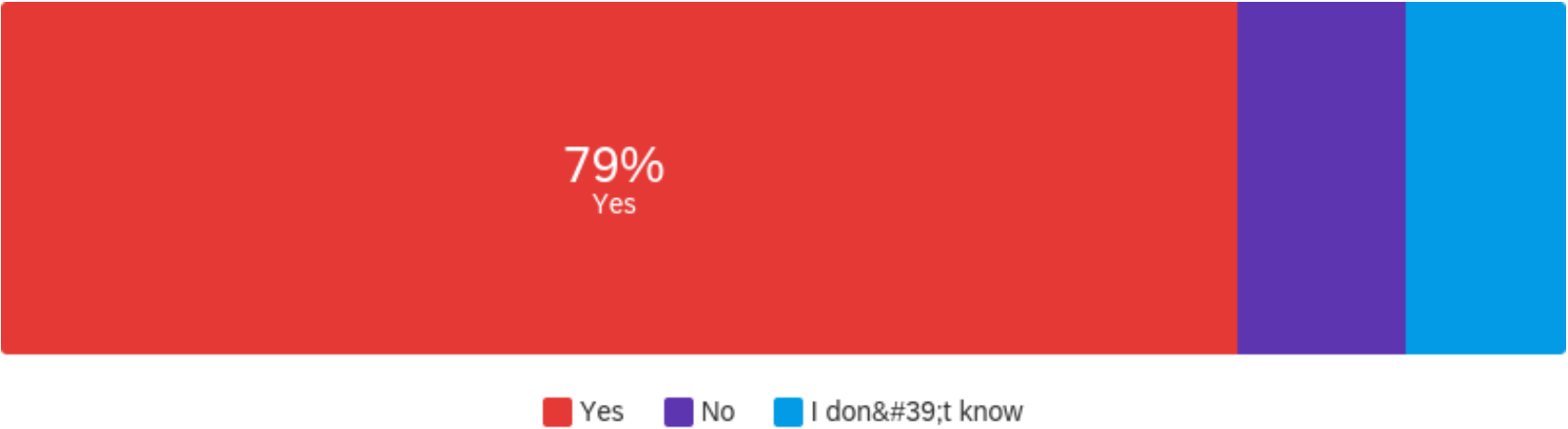
TakePart Matrix - These questions are about taking part in the Award at your Award Centre

Please rate your response to the given statements on the scale from strongly agree to strongly disagree.



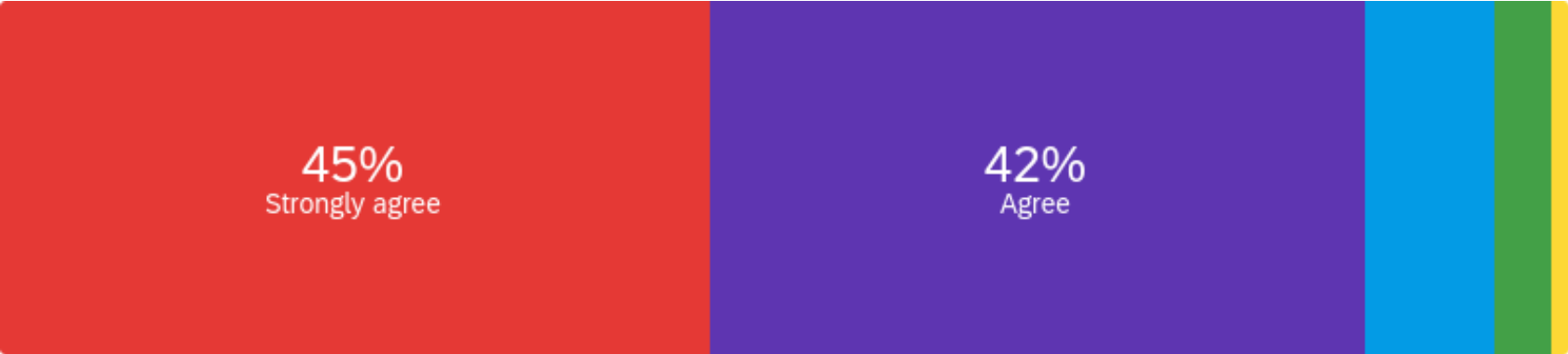
Question	Strongly agree		Agree		Undecided		Disagree		Strongly disagree		Total
When I decided to take part in the Award, I was told about how the Award works and what I needed to do to complete the Award (including how to log my Award activities on the Online Record Book/in my activity log book).	50.59%	385	38.11%	290	6.31%	48	3.68%	28	1.31%	10	761
I found it easy to choose appropriate activities for each Award section.	43.23%	329	46.52%	354	6.18%	47	3.94%	30	0.13%	1	761
I review my progress and achievements through the Award regularly with my Award Leader.	25.10%	191	34.17%	260	18.00%	137	18.00%	137	4.73%	36	761
I plan my own programme and make choices about my Award activities.	42.44%	323	47.83%	364	7.36%	56	1.84%	14	0.53%	4	761
I plan my own program and make choices about my Award activities.	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0

CanPartic - Do you think that everyone aged 14-24 in your school/organisation has the opportunity to take part in the Award if they want to?



Answer	%	Count
Yes	78.97%	597
No	10.71%	81
I don't know	10.32%	78
Total	100%	756

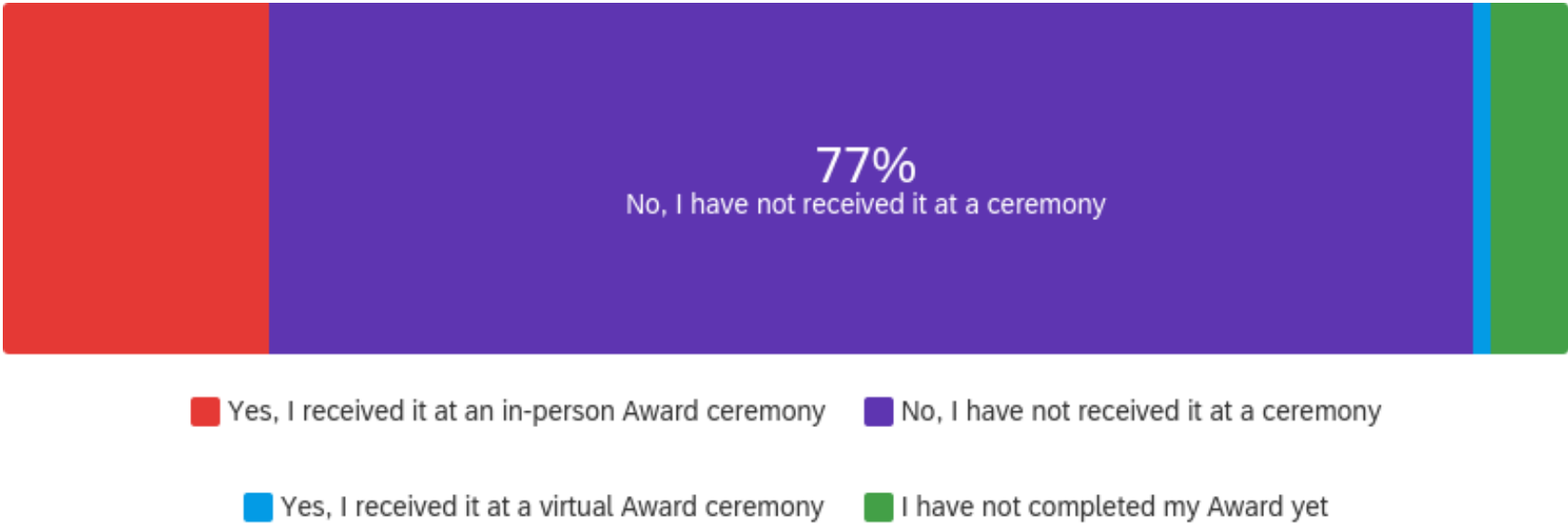
NonCompet - I feel the Award is non-competitive. (Being 'non-competitive' would mean that within the Award you don't compete with your peers, but challenge yourself according to your abilities. It would mean that although there may be some competition between yourself and your peers in your activities, this competition does not affect your ability to achieve your Award.)



Strongly agree Agree Undecided Disagree Strongly disagree

Answer	%	Count
Strongly agree	45.14%	339
Agree	41.68%	313
Undecided	8.26%	62
Disagree	3.73%	28
Strongly disagree	1.20%	9
Total	100%	751

Been to ceremony? - In the past 12 months, did you received a Bronze, Silver or Gold Award at an Award ceremony?



Answer	%	Count
Yes, I received it at an in-person Award ceremony	17.00%	128
No, I have not received it at a ceremony	76.76%	578
Yes, I received it at a virtual Award ceremony	1.20%	9
I have not completed my Award yet	5.05%	38
Total	100%	753

Ceremonies1to5 - Did the Award Ceremony recognise the effort you put into achieving your Award?



Yes No Unsure

Answer	%	Count
Yes	83.94%	115
No	3.65%	5
Unsure	12.41%	17
Total	100%	137

Ceremonies1to5 - Please tell us why you answered this way

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I answered this way because we got the awards at a ceremony, our names and activities called out but the contents of the award we were receiving were not described or outlined and most people didn't know Joe much effort was put in to receive the award.

It was at a school assembly and we were recognised as a whole

My ceremony has not occurred yet

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my award ceremony isn't until a few weeks away

i'm not sure

Because I haven't received it yet

It was just part of a cadets parade so everyone saw I got the award but most didn't know what I had to do to get it

It was in a general assembly for our college with the feeling that it was rushed and almost brushed over by the staff due to the timings of the assembly

It was a group presentation for all achievements from my whole year over the term

We just got the badge, nothing got explained to the audience

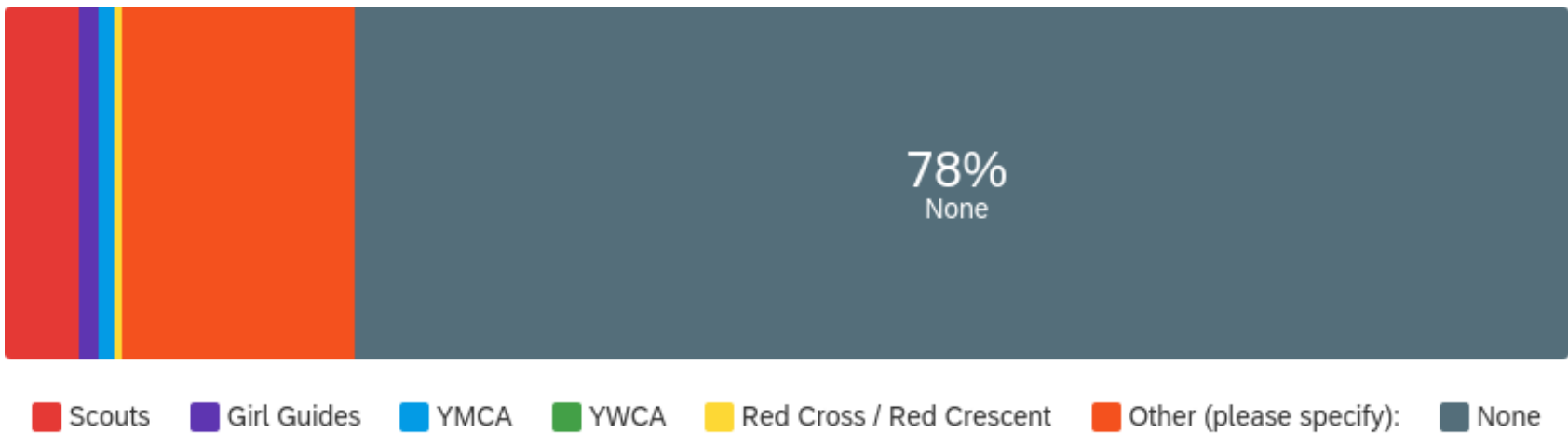
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I feel more confident.	29.78%	218	46.45%	340	15.57%	114	6.97%	51	1.23%	9	732
I feel more determined.	32.74%	239	47.12%	344	14.11%	103	4.93%	36	1.10%	8	730
I am more resilient.	37.45%	273	45.54%	332	11.25%	82	4.80%	35	0.96%	7	729
I now see challenges as opportunities to develop.	35.53%	259	45.13%	329	13.17%	96	5.49%	40	0.69%	5	729
I find it more exciting to try new things.	40.47%	295	41.84%	305	11.80%	86	5.49%	40	0.41%	3	729
I got better at communicating an idea in different ways.	32.05%	234	43.97%	321	16.16%	118	7.40%	54	0.41%	3	730
I am more satisfied with my life.	26.30%	192	46.16%	337	18.63%	136	7.12%	52	1.78%	13	730
I got better at managing the way I use my time.	26.03%	190	44.25%	323	18.49%	135	9.59%	70	1.64%	12	730
I feel strongly that I can be a good group leader.	36.40%	265	43.41%	316	14.29%	104	4.53%	33	1.37%	10	728
I got better at working in a team.	38.38%	279	47.46%	345	9.63%	70	3.99%	29	0.55%	4	727
I got better at seeing other people's point of view.	33.93%	247	47.25%	344	13.32%	97	4.67%	34	0.82%	6	728
It has become more important to me to contribute to my community and society.	36.95%	269	47.12%	343	10.03%	73	5.22%	38	0.69%	5	728
I believe I can make a difference in my community.	34.20%	249	49.86%	363	11.54%	84	3.43%	25	0.96%	7	728
I feel more comfortable in new and unusual situations.	34.89%	254	46.15%	336	12.50%	91	5.22%	38	1.24%	9	728
I have improved my physical fitness	39.70%	289	43.13%	314	10.99%	80	4.95%	36	1.24%	9	728
I have improved my problem-solving skills	35.76%	260	49.11%	357	9.90%	72	4.54%	33	0.69%	5	727
I feel more equipped to set goals and achieve what I want out of my life.	34.94%	254	48.56%	353	11.00%	80	4.26%	31	1.24%	9	727

OtherOrgs - Are you involved in any of the youth movements/organisations below? Please select all that apply.



Answer	%	Count
Scouts	4.65%	34
Girl Guides	1.23%	9
YMCA	0.96%	7
YWCA	0.00%	0
Red Cross / Red Crescent	0.55%	4
Other (please specify):	14.91%	109
None	77.70%	568
Total	100%	731

OtherOrgs - Are you involved in any of the youth movements/organisations below? Please select all that apply.

Other (please specify): - Text			
Australian Air Force Cadets	Youth group	School	Student-run environment group.
Church Youth Groups	Surf life saving	Church youth	I did a term of girl guides through a school program
Air Force Cadets	Leos	Christian youth leader	Hilltops Youth Action Group
Army Cadets	Church youth group	Bahai Youth, Bush Ranger Cadets WA, RSPCA Volunteer	Government Electorate Youth Advisory Committee
Girls Brigade		Youth Vinnies, Kids Giving Back and Kissing it better for youth	AAFC
Rubbish picking in neighbourhood	AWANA		My school
St John's	Australian Air force cadets	Air Cadets	vinnies
Cadets	Australian Army Cadets	Australian Army Cadets	Concord Rotary
Church Youth Group		Surf Lifesaving Tasmania	Zonta

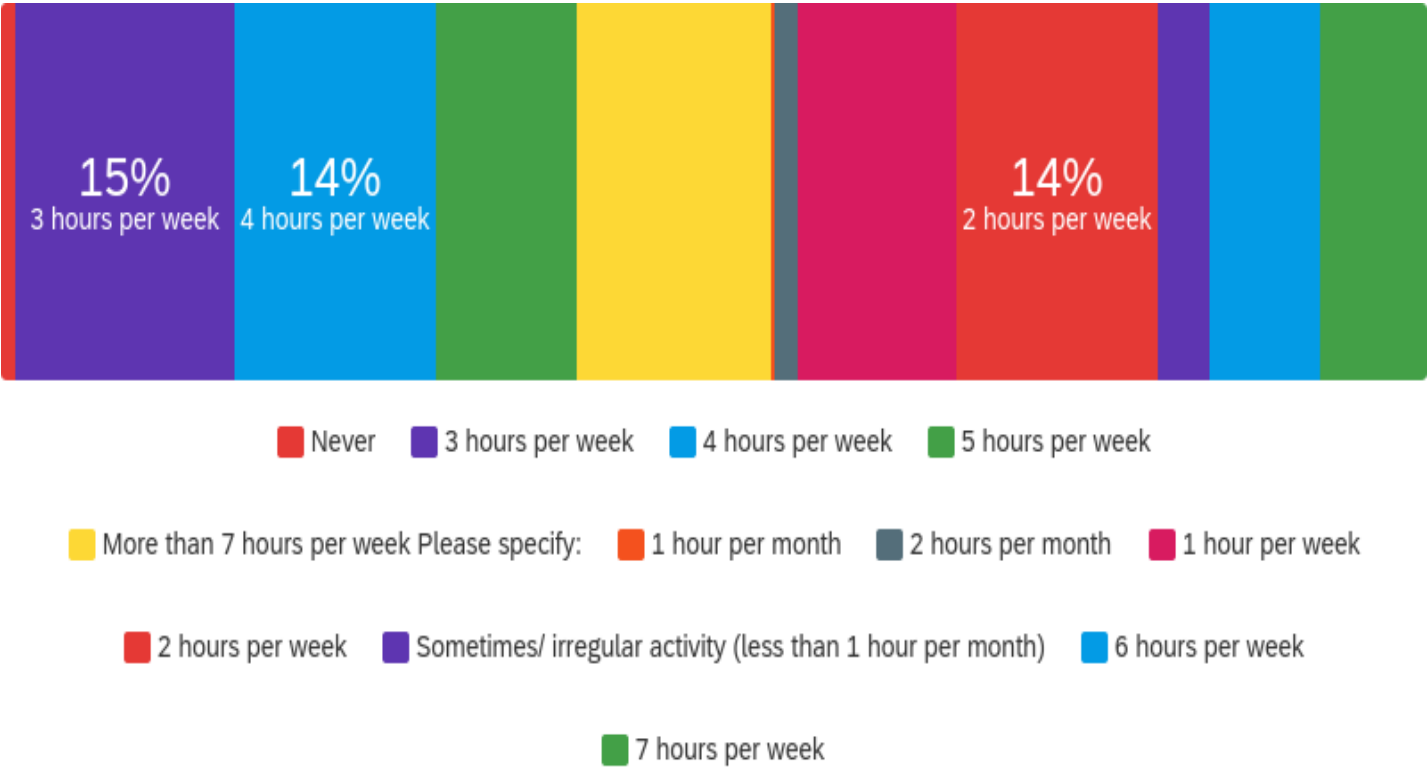
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Other (please specify): - Text		
United Nations Youth Ambassador and Carclew Youth Ambassador	Australian Airforce Cadets	Australian Army Cadets
Cadets	St John Ambulance Cadet	Airforce cadets and st john cadets
Surf Life Saving	Airforce cadets	Caralee Community School
AAFC	Cadets	St John Ambulance
Australian Air Force Cadets	Youth group (already volunteered before doing duke of ed)	Army Cadet programme
Australian Air Force Cadets	Australian army cadets	Salvos
SLSC?	vinnes	Christian Youth Group
Marathon volunteering and other community engagements with younger kids in schools.	Girls Brigade	RISE
dance team and horseriding club	AAFC	

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Other (please specify): - Text	
Australian Army Cadets	YATZ
Australian Air Force Cadets	St. Johns??
Church	Surf life saving Australia
Leos Club	Pathfinders
Youth Group at church	I lead at a youth program at church
My churches youth groups	Australian Air Force Cadets
Previously involved in scouts (2015 - 2022)	SchoolStrike4Climate
Air Force Cadets	
AAFC	
YCS	
Church ministries	

Think back to before you began your Award... Please indicate how often you took part in sports/exercise, in your own time (outside of any school curriculum activity), before you began your Award.



Answer	%	Count
Never	0.99%	7
3 hours per week	15.30%	108
4 hours per week	14.02%	99
5 hours per week	9.77%	69
More than 7 hours per week Please specify:	13.60%	96
1 hour per month	0.28%	2
2 hours per month	1.70%	12
1 hour per week	11.19%	79
2 hours per week	14.16%	100
Sometimes/ irregular activity (less than 1 hour per month)	3.68%	26
6 hours per week	7.79%	55
7 hours per week	7.51%	53
Total	100%	706

Think back to before you began your Award... Please indicate how often you took part in sports/exercise, in your own time (outside of any school curriculum activity), before you began your Award.

More than 7 hours per week Please specify: - Text		
Golf training and comps, cricket games and training, oztag games, AFL training and games so maybe 20 plus	I do 8 hours of gymnastics a week, 2 hours of netball, 1 hour of volleyball, and often we go on walks/hikes as a family	About 7 and a half hours for swimming as well as about 15 hours across Friday-Sunday for cricket
14-15 hrs	14 hours per week	Soccer
20 hours per week (ish)	11 hours	10
8	A lot	I workout daily + daily walks.
through my cricket and footy trainings and games in the weekend.	I had gymnastics training three times a week for four hours each, as well as dance six and a half hours a week.	9
15	10-11 hours	10 hours per week
12 hours per week	23 hours	20 hours
18 hours per week	10 hours per week	8-9

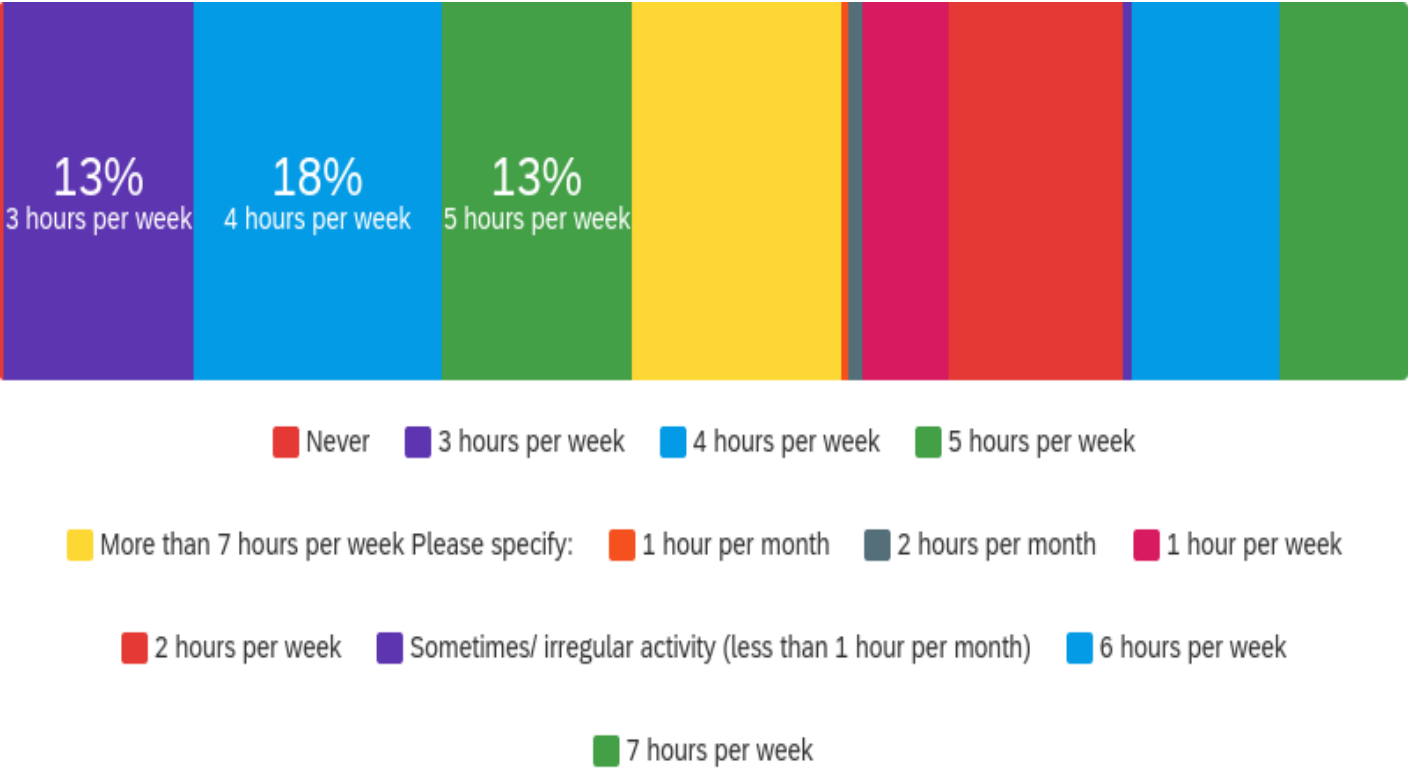
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More than 7 hours per week Please specify: - Text		
8-9	7-10	14 hours a week
11.5	11 hours per week	10-12hrs per week
15 hours per week	Approx 10-12	
10-20	9 hours	About 14 hours due to two sessions of three hours a week of cricket and all day on Saturday for a game.
9 hours a week	8 - 10+ hours per week	I do running training, gym and team sports.
refereeing soccer and playing	18	I'd shoot hoops at my local basketball courts
closer to 12	20 hours	rugby trainings and games
Always be playing basketball a lot	soccer 1:30 hours a day	8 hours/week

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More than 7 hours per week Please specify: - Text	
16hrs	International Karate Competitor
9	trainings, rounds of golf, soccer and cricket often with 2 or 3 games a week.
20 hours	Doing lots of high level tennis training
4 soccer trainings a week and 2 games	I play tennis tournaments which involves many hours of training.
Archery is about 12 hours a week	Approx 12 hours per week
8 hours	Probably around 14 it really varies
10	Taekwondo and swimming
Take ~1-2hr walks per day.	15-20 hrs per week
11	around 15 hours
Rowing sucked	13 hours per week
It varied, there wasn't really an average time	2-3 hours daily

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Answer	%	Count
Never	0.14%	1
Sometimes/ irregular activity (less than 1 hour per month)	0.71%	5
1 hour per month	0.42%	3
2 hours per month	0.99%	7
1 hour per week	6.22%	44
2 hours per week	12.45%	88
3 hours per week	13.44%	95
4 hours per week	17.54%	124
5 hours per week	13.44%	95
6 hours per week	10.61%	75
7 hours per week	9.19%	65
More than 7 hours per week Please specify:	14.85%	105
Total	100%	707

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More than 7 hours per week Please specify: - Text		
Same amount to sport 20 plus hours	21 hours a week	It was basically the same thing:I do 8 hours of gymnastics a week, 2 hours of netball, 1 hour of volleyball, and often we go on walks/hikes as a family
14-15hrs	20 hours per week (ish)	8 (i do alot of soccer)
Same activity, with additional cadet related physical recreation.	I had gymnastics training three times a week for four hours each, as well as dance six and a half hours a week.	The same as stated above in the question before
8	14	12 hours per week
20 hours	10-11 hours	10 hours per week
Hiking running	23 hours	Still a lot
10+	9	18 hours per week
11 hours	the same	8-9
Soccer	14	11.5

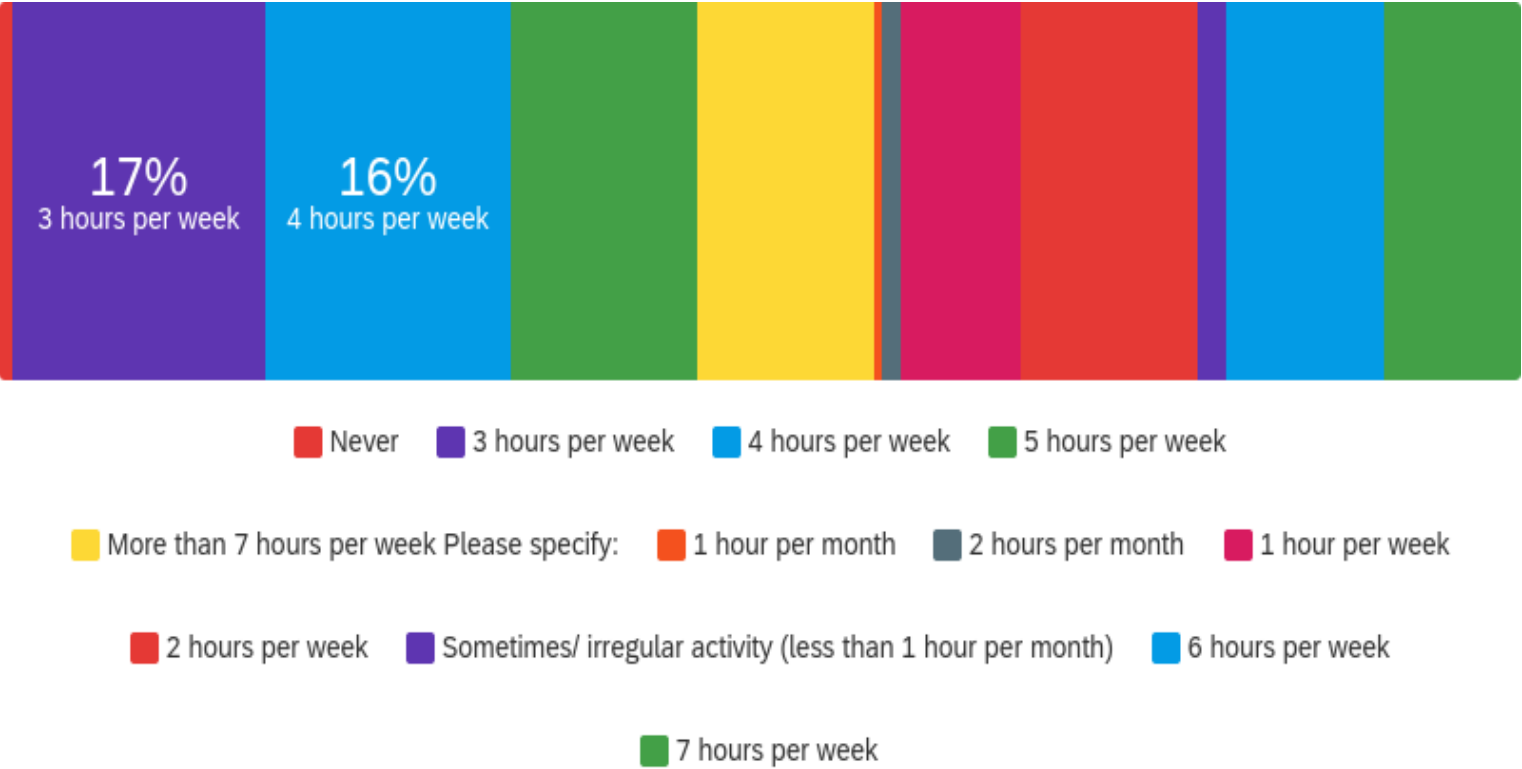
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More than 7 hours per week Please specify: - Text		
15 hours per week	8 hours/week	8-9
8 - 10+ hours per week	7-10	18
Did more physical activity and learned how to manage exercise	11 hours per week	13
rugby trainings and games	10-12 hours	14 hours a week
12	9 hours	Same amount
My team had started training more often throughout the week (nothing to do with duke of ed) and i had picked up refereeing which takes up around 4-5 a week plus my games 2 hours and training 2-3 hours	About 14 hours due to two sessions of three hours a week of cricket and all day on Saturday for a game.	11 hours per week
same amount	20 hours	10-20
same as before	soccer 1:30 hours a week	Cricket 6h game + 2h of training
Gym and tennis		

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More than 7 hours per week Please specify: - Text		
8 hours	20-25 hours a week	around 15 hours
10	11	13
9 hours per week	Rowing still sucked	2-3 hours daily
I work out every day for at least an hour	I did the same stuff as before it.	Take ~1-2hr walks per day. + 1hr Basketball
16 hrs	15 hours per week	I did my normal sport ans then hokcey onto
9	Tennis	8-9.5 hours a week
20 hours	Approx 14 hours per week	6.5 hours of dance as well as Saturday sport
same as above	15-20 hours per week	I started doing more soccer training by myself aswell so it got up to around 30 to 35

Now, think about when you’re no longer taking part in the Award. Please indicate how often you plan to take part in sports / exercise after you complete your Award and are no longer taking part, in your own time (outside of any school curriculum activity).



Answer	%	Count
Never	0.85%	6
Sometimes/ irregular activity (less than 1 hour per month)	1.98%	14
1 hour per month	0.42%	3
2 hours per month	1.27%	9
1 hour per week	7.91%	56
2 hours per week	11.72%	83
3 hours per week	16.53%	117
4 hours per week	16.10%	114
5 hours per week	12.15%	86
6 hours per week	10.45%	74
7 hours per week	9.04%	64
More than 7 hours per week Please specify:	11.58%	82
Total	100%	708

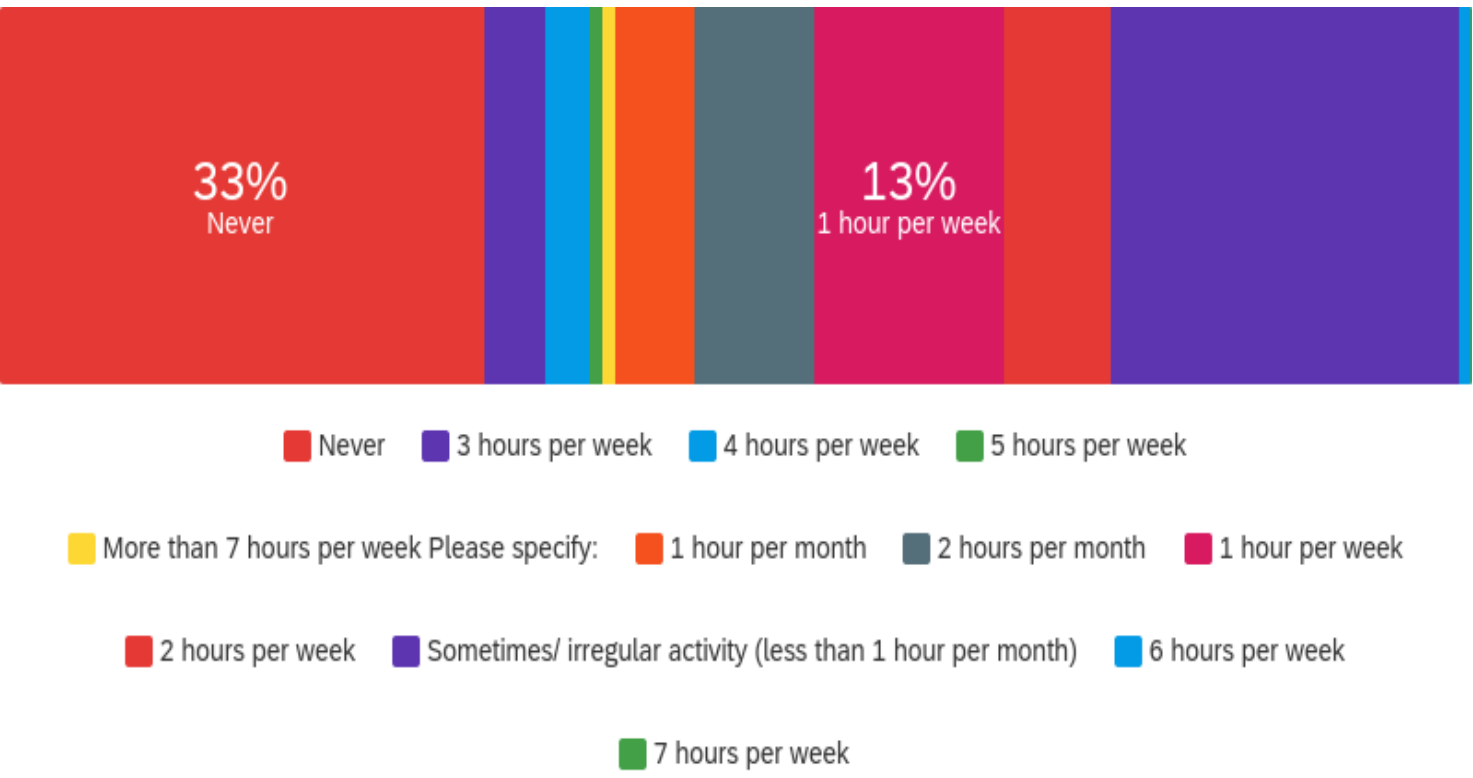
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More than 7 hours per week Please specify: - Text		
Same amount of sport 20 plus hours	20 hours a week	
14-15hrs	12	The same as the question above
Again the same thing: I do 8 hours of gymnastics a week, 2 hours of netball, 1 hour of volleyball, and often we go on walks/hikes as a family	I train in gymnastics three times a week for four hours each, as well as dance six and a half hours a week.	as said above, I play soccer and I will continue this as much as I can when I graduate in 2025 and move on to (hopefully) the airforce which will include a lot of physical activity
20 hours per week (ish)	14	20 hours
10+	11-12 hours	8-9
16	23h hours	I will maintain my activity level.
12 hours per week	9	8-9
20 hours per week	the same	13
14	11 hours	8-10
Soccer	15 hours per week	12

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More than 7 hours per week Please specify: - Text		
refereeing soccer and playing	12	9 hours per week
closer to 8-9 as due to school have had to cut back	About 14 hours due to two sessions of three hours a week of cricket and all day on Saturday for a game.	16hrs
8 hours	It will be the same as while I was in the award	tennis
To stay healthy and regularly be fit	Approx 12 hours per week	20 hours
11 hours per week	20-25 hours a week	around 15 hours
10-12 hours		
8 - 10+ hours per week	10-20	10
13	The same	11
2-3 hours daily if not more	8-9 ballet	Still doing all the sports listed above

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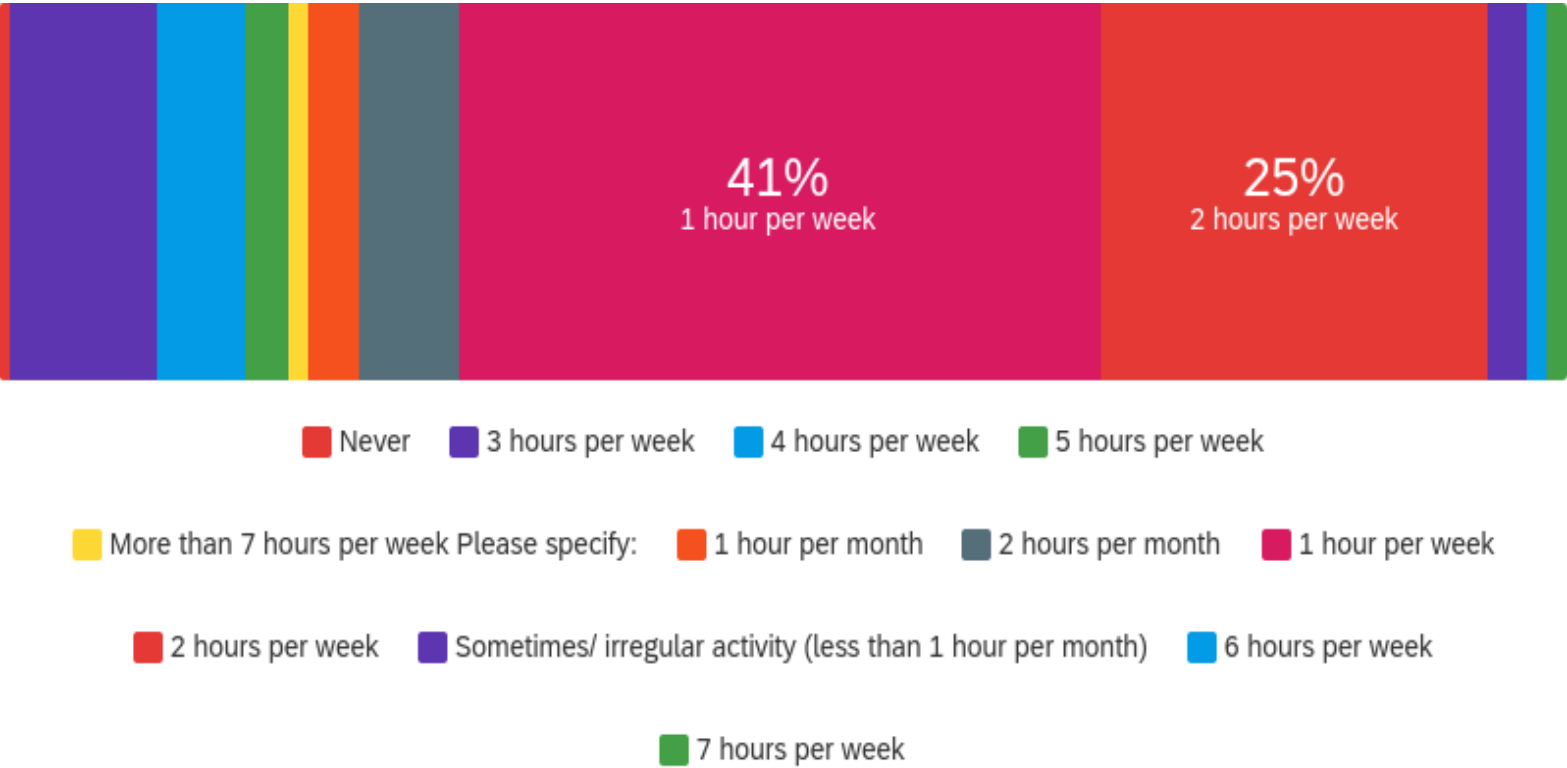


Answer	%	Count
Never	32.95%	229
Sometimes/ irregular activity (less than 1 hour per month)	23.74%	165
1 hour per month	5.32%	37
2 hours per month	8.06%	56
1 hour per week	12.95%	90
2 hours per week	7.34%	51
3 hours per week	4.03%	28
4 hours per week	2.88%	20
5 hours per week	0.86%	6
6 hours per week	0.86%	6
7 hours per week	0.14%	1
More than 7 hours per week Please specify:	0.86%	6
Total	100%	695

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More than 7 hours per week Please specify: - Text
5hrs per moth
about 6 hours a month, not a week
Pretty much around the clock as I worked as a foster carer for dogs.
Irregular hours how ever had multipul at a time somtes 4 -6 hours a session
I am member of surf life saving Australia and A local Bushfire brigade
sunday school

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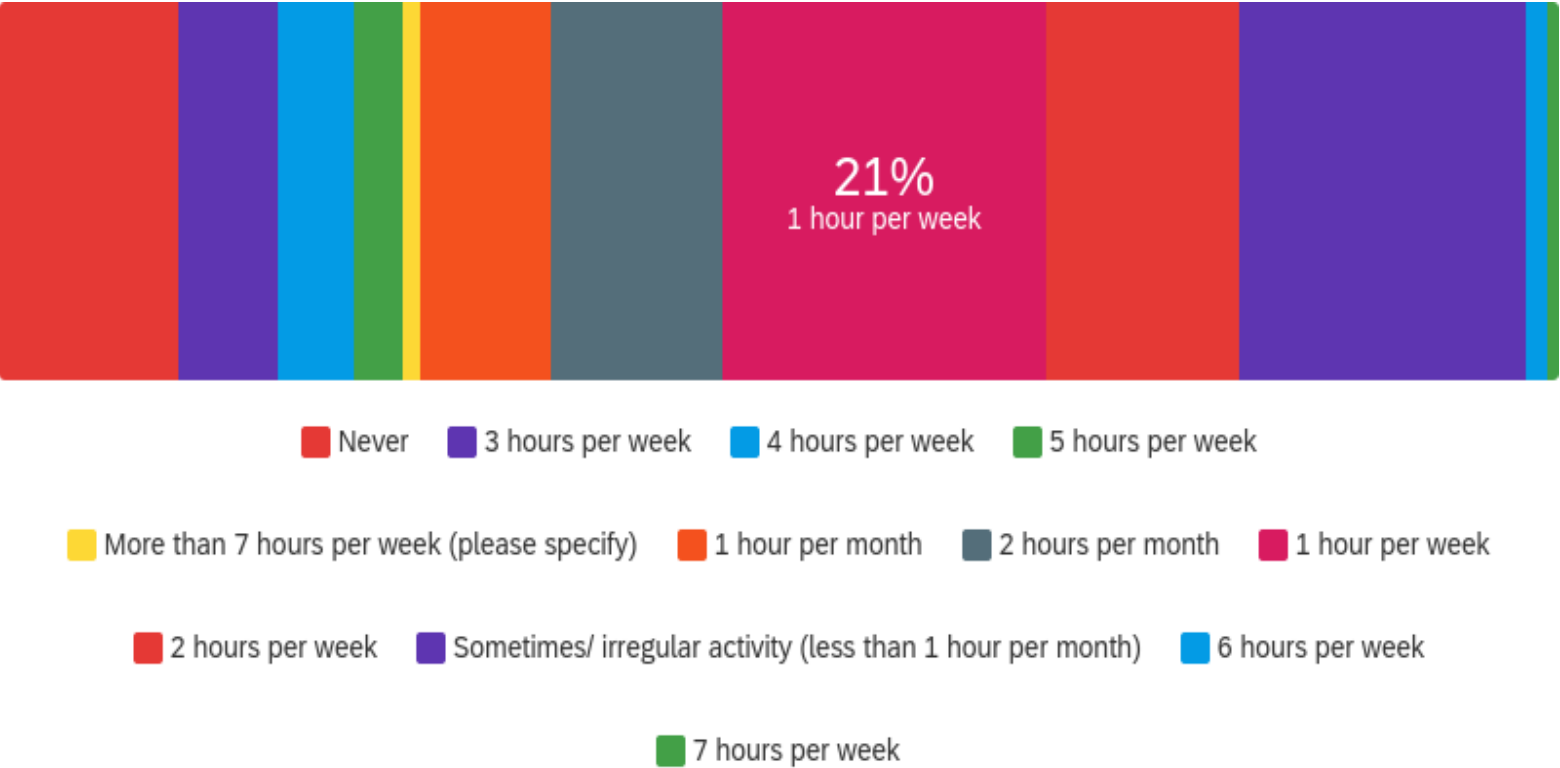


Answer	%	Count
Never	0.72%	5
Sometimes/ irregular activity (less than 1 hour per month)	2.59%	18
1 hour per month	3.17%	22
2 hours per month	6.34%	44
1 hour per week	40.92%	284
2 hours per week	24.64%	171
3 hours per week	9.37%	65
4 hours per week	5.62%	39
5 hours per week	2.74%	19
6 hours per week	1.30%	9
7 hours per week	1.44%	10
More than 7 hours per week Please specify:	1.15%	8
Total	100%	694

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More than 7 hours per week Please specify: - Text
4 hours per month
5hrs per month
the same
Irregular hours how ever had multipul at a time somtes 4 -6 hours a session
sunday school

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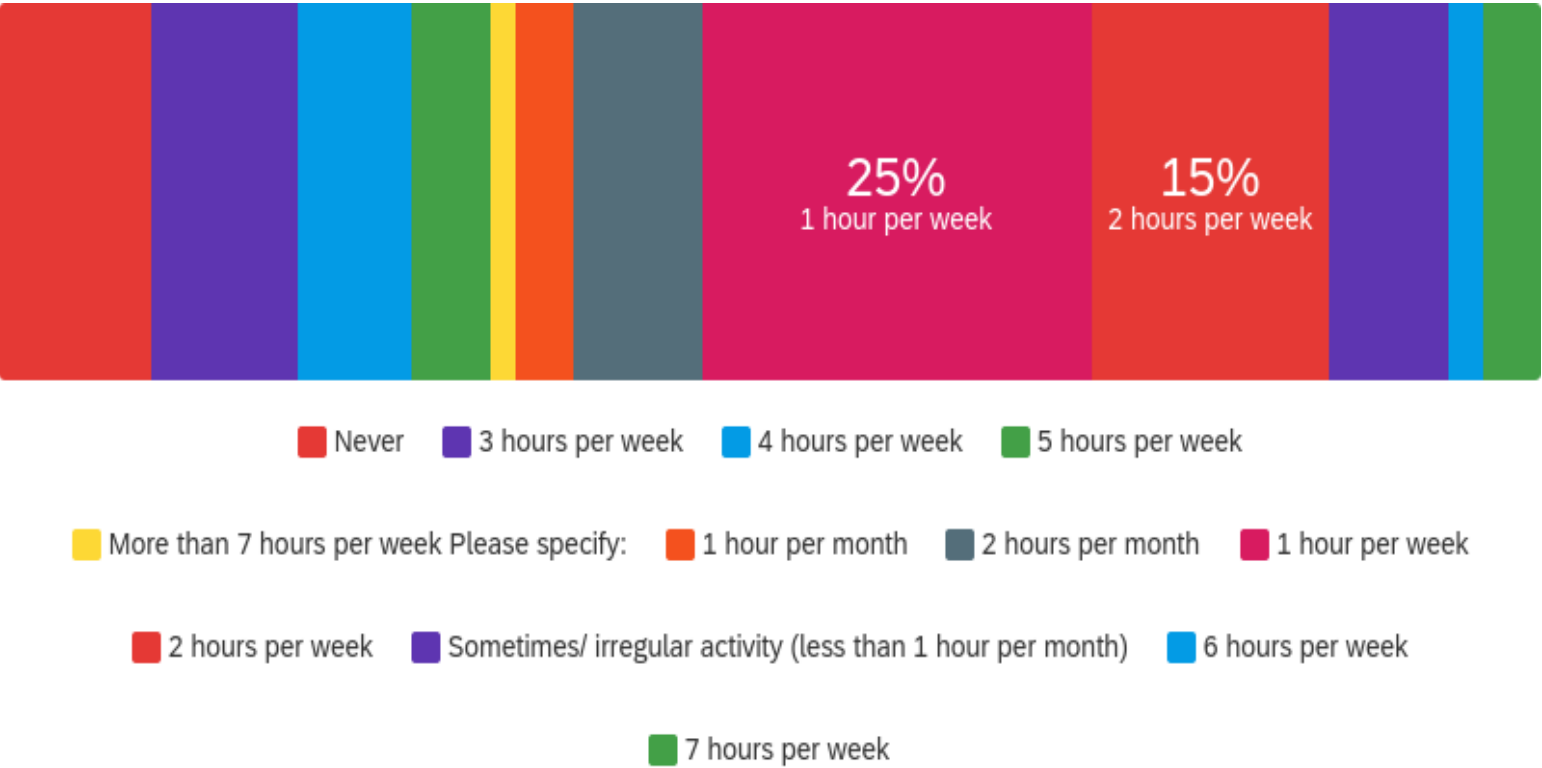


Answer	%	Count
Never	11.40%	79
Sometimes/ irregular activity (less than 1 hour per month)	18.47%	128
1 hour per month	8.37%	58
2 hours per month	11.11%	77
1 hour per week	20.78%	144
2 hours per week	12.41%	86
3 hours per week	6.35%	44
4 hours per week	4.76%	33
5 hours per week	3.03%	21
6 hours per week	1.44%	10
7 hours per week	0.87%	6
More than 7 hours per week (please specify)	1.01%	7
Total	100%	693

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More than 7 hours per week (please specify) - Text
5 hrs per month
depends
Irregular hours how ever had multipul at a time somtes 4 -6 hours a session
Continue residential camps
sunday school
during school holidays

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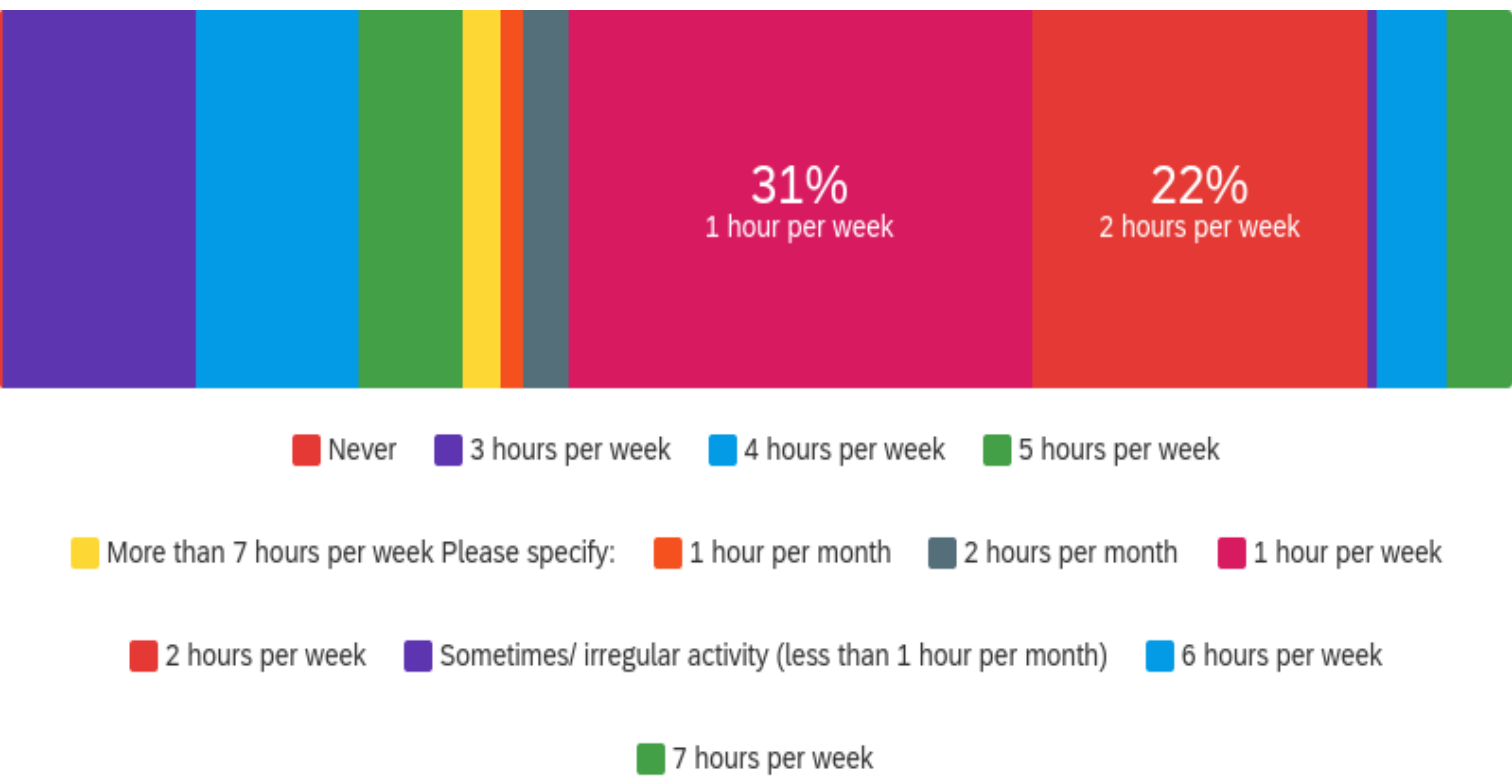


Answer	%	Count
Never	9.77%	67
Sometimes/ irregular activity (less than 1 hour per month)	7.87%	54
1 hour per month	3.64%	25
2 hours per month	8.31%	57
1 hour per week	25.36%	174
2 hours per week	15.45%	106
3 hours per week	9.48%	65
4 hours per week	7.29%	50
5 hours per week	5.10%	35
6 hours per week	2.33%	16
7 hours per week	3.79%	26
More than 7 hours per week Please specify:	1.60%	11
Total	100%	686

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More than 7 hours per week Please specify: - Text
10
10 hours per week
9 hours per week
I practiced daily, speaking and reading my language at home.
9
Refereeing fro six to eight hours every week
rugby trainings and games
10
10
Taekwondo

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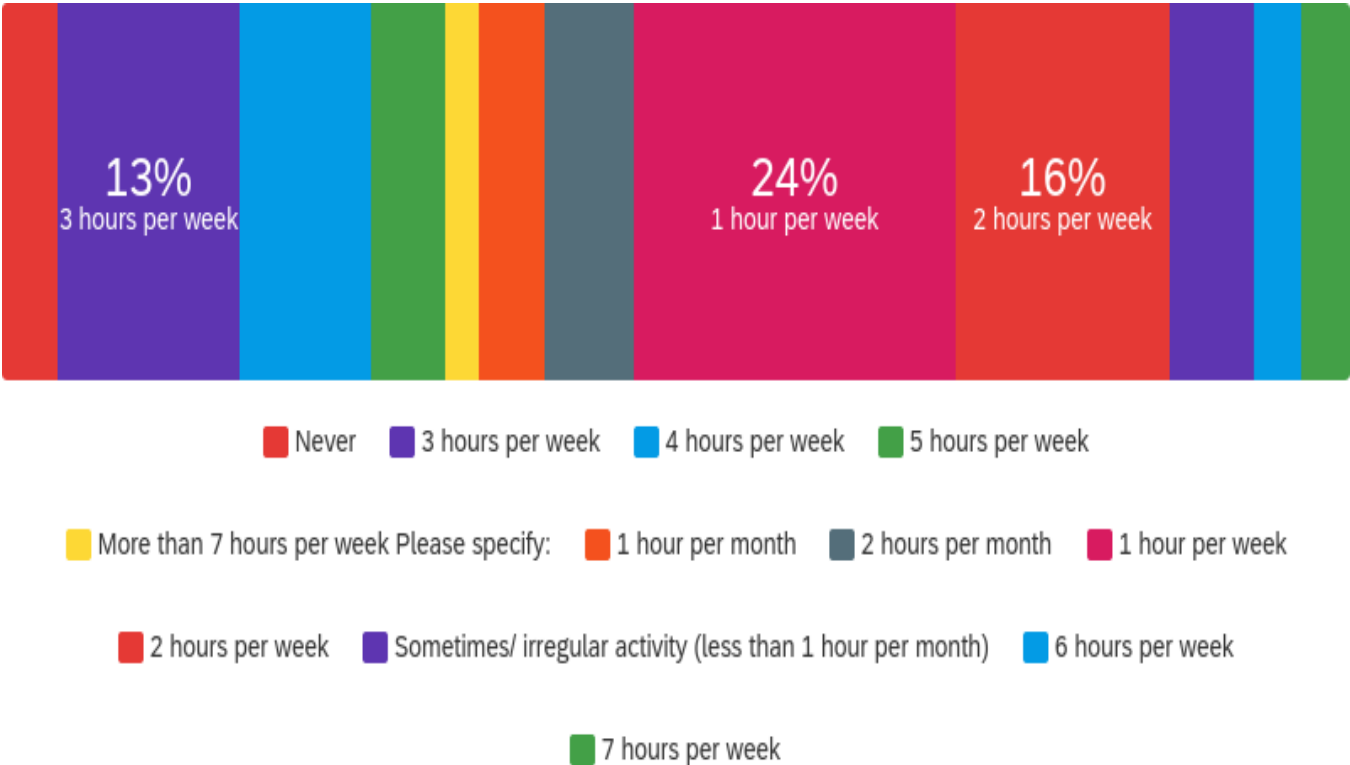


Answer	%	Count
Never	0.15%	1
Sometimes/ irregular activity (less than 1 hour per month)	0.73%	5
1 hour per month	1.46%	10
2 hours per month	3.07%	21
1 hour per week	30.66%	210
2 hours per week	22.19%	152
3 hours per week	12.70%	87
4 hours per week	10.66%	73
5 hours per week	6.86%	47
6 hours per week	4.67%	32
7 hours per week	4.38%	30
More than 7 hours per week Please specify:	2.48%	17
Total	100%	685

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More than 7 hours per week Please specify: - Text
8 hours
10 hours per week
12
I practiced daily, speaking and reading my language at home.
14
i chose "reading" as my skill and i love it just never made time for it and although i can only log one hour per week i do read way more than that just for fun
Refereeing fro six to eight hours every week
rugby trainings and games
15
i was doing around 3 hours a week but because you cant log more than one hour it looked like i was only doing one hour
regular and more scheduled practice to reach final goal

Now, think about when you’re no longer taking part in the Award. Please indicate how often you plan to take part in skills practice after you complete your Award and are no longer taking part, in your own time (outside of any school curriculum activity).

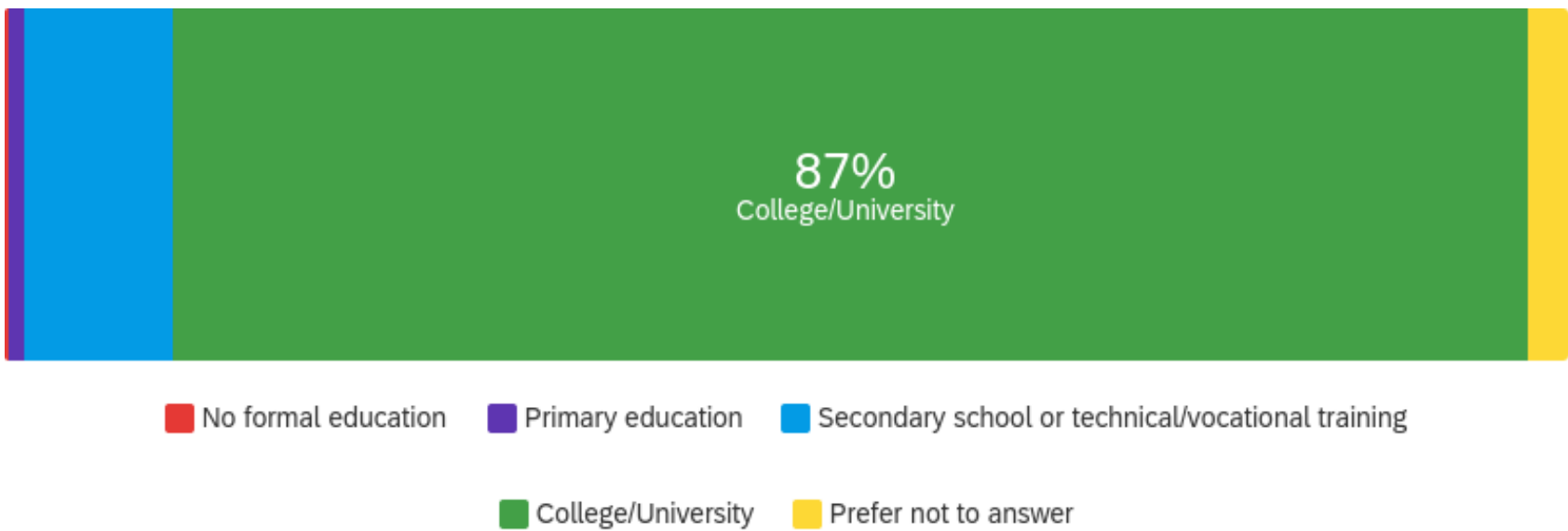


Answer	%	Count
Never	4.09%	28
Sometimes/ irregular activity (less than 1 hour per month)	6.29%	43
1 hour per month	4.82%	33
2 hours per month	6.73%	46
1 hour per week	23.98%	164
2 hours per week	15.94%	109
3 hours per week	13.45%	92
4 hours per week	9.65%	66
5 hours per week	5.41%	37
6 hours per week	3.51%	24
7 hours per week	3.65%	25
More than 7 hours per week Please specify:	2.49%	17
Total	100%	684

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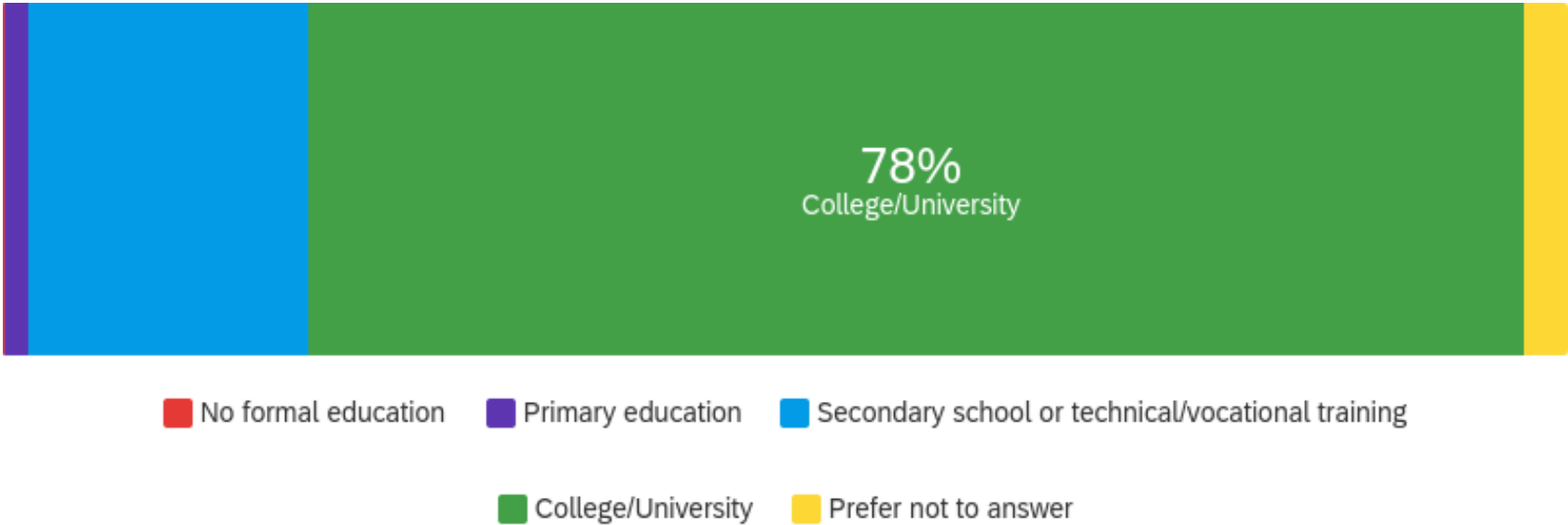
More than 7 hours per week Please specify: - Text
8 hours
10 hours per week
9 hours per week
Drving, I did it all the time now
I practiced daily, speaking and reading my language at home.
12
Refereeing fro six to eight hours every week
As a career hopefully
One hour each day, as well as rehearsals

FirstParentEdu - What is the highest completed level of education of your first parent/guardian?



Answer	%	Count
No formal education	0.16%	1
Primary education	0.94%	6
Secondary school or technical/vocational training	9.52%	61
College/University	86.74%	556
Prefer not to answer	2.65%	17
Total	100%	641

SecondParentEdu - What is the highest completed level of education of your second parent/guardian?



Answer	%	Count
No formal education	0.00%	0
Primary education	1.45%	9
Secondary school or technical/vocational training	17.90%	111
College/University	77.74%	482
Prefer not to answer	2.90%	18
Total	100%	620

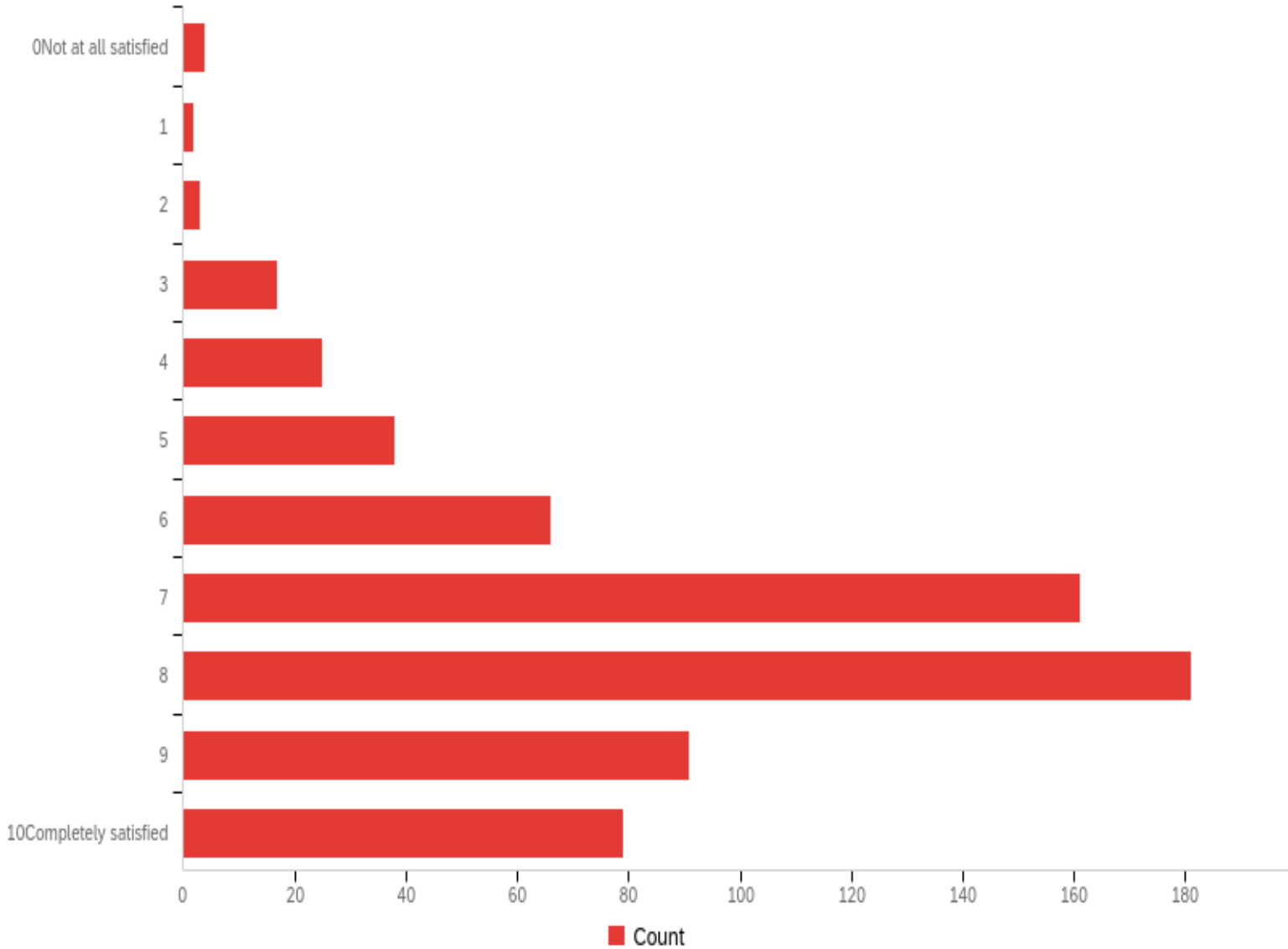
Disability - We would like to make sure that we have the guidance and resources available to make sure that the Award is accessible to all. This set of questions asks about difficulties you may have when doing a certain activity. If you prefer not to answer this question, you can skip to the next question.



Question	No, no difficulty		Yes, some difficulty		Yes, a lot of difficulty		Yes, I cannot do it at all.		Total
Do you have difficulty seeing, even if wearing glasses?	85.52%	561	12.80%	84	1.52%	10	0.15%	1	656
Do you have difficulty hearing, even if using a hearing aid?	98.16%	640	1.53%	10	0.15%	1	0.15%	1	652
Do you have difficulty walking or climbing steps?	91.86%	598	7.68%	50	0.46%	3	0.00%	0	651
Do you have difficulty remembering or concentrating?	69.83%	456	24.35%	159	5.51%	36	0.31%	2	653
Do you have difficulty with self-care (such as bathing or dressing)?	95.55%	622	3.84%	25	0.61%	4	0.00%	0	651
Using your usual language, do you have difficulty communicating (for example, understanding, or being understood by others)?	90.95%	593	7.98%	52	1.07%	7	0.00%	0	652

Wellbeing - Overall, how satisfied are you with your life nowadays?

(0 = Not at all. 10 = Completely)



Answer	%	Coun t
0 Not at all satisfied	0.60%	4
1	0.30%	2
2	0.45%	3
3	2.55%	17
4	3.75%	25
5	5.70%	38
6	9.90%	66
7	24.14%	161
8	27.14%	181
9	13.64%	91
10 Completely satisfied	11.84%	79
Total	100%	667