



CITY OF WASHINGTON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

PLAN ASSESSMENT WORKSHOP
CITY STAFF



Objective

Plan Assessment Workshop

- ***Review*** the existing Goals and Objectives of the current Comp Plan and assess their current relevance and implementation success.
- ***Discuss*** the successes and failures of the current Comp Plan, and the reason for these outcomes.
- ***Provide input*** on current issues, opportunities, and priority areas for the Comp Plan Update.



WHAT IS A
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“In the preparation of the city plan, the commission shall make careful and comprehensive surveys and studies of the **existing conditions and probable future growth** of the municipality.

The plan shall be made with the general purpose of guiding and accomplishing a coordinated development of the municipality which will, in accordance with existing and future needs, **best promote the general welfare**, as well as **efficiency and economy in the process of development**.”

Chapter 89, Section 89.350; RSMo

WHAT IS A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN?

A comprehensive plan is an **official document** adopted by a city as a **policy guide to decisions** about the physical development of the community.

- The plan is not a regulatory ordinance, but a guide to be used when regulatory ordinances are developed and administered.
- The plan is not a detailed capital improvement program showing precise locations of public improvements and community facilities; it is used as a guide in the detailed planning that must occur before those facilities are built.

The plan is a comprehensive document in that it covers all portions of the city and all facilities that relate to development.

WHAT IS A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN?

The current Comprehensive Plan was developed between 2011 and 2013, and **adopted in April, 2013.**

2013 Comprehensive Plan Outline

I. EXISTING CONDITIONS

- A. Demographic Characteristics
- B. City of Washington Setting and History
- C. Physical Environment
- D. Community Services and Other Resources

II. NEEDS ANALYSIS

- A. Public Participation
- B. Land Use
- C. Community Engagement Summary
- D. Parks, Recreation, and Open Space

III. IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

- I. Transportation / Other Infrastructure
- II. Economic Development
- III. Parks, Recreation, and Open Space
- IV. Aesthetics
- V. Land Use
- VI. Civic Improvement

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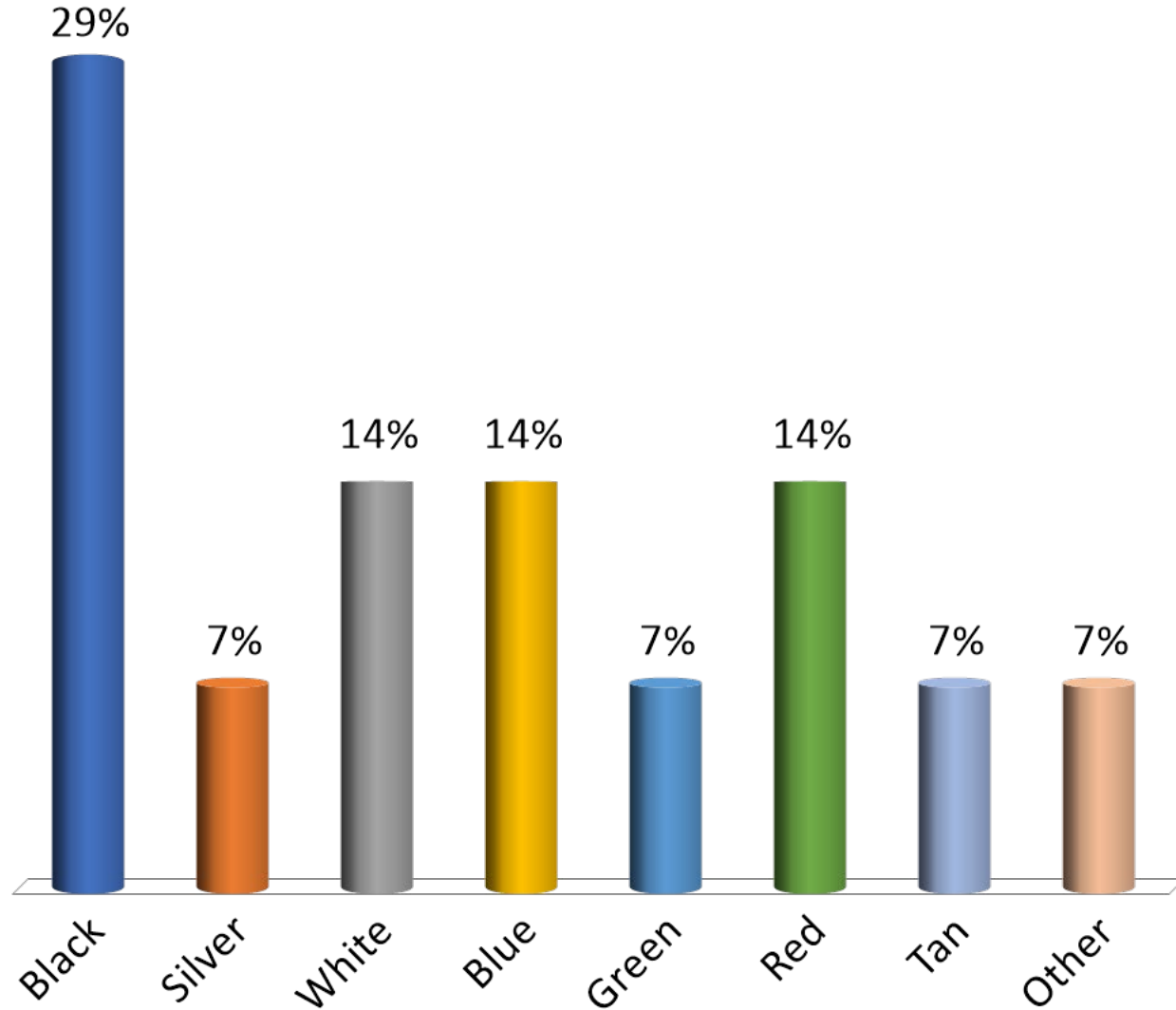
EXISTING COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ASSESSMENT

2013 Comprehensive Plan Goals

Test question... to get you oriented:

What color is your car / truck?

- A. Black
- B. Silver
- C. White
- D. Blue
- E. Green
- F. Red
- G. Tan
- H. Other



III. IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY *(pp. 60 through 72)*

“This portion of the City of Washington Comprehensive Plan is by far ***the most important of the overall Plan.*** The Implementation Strategy section details the 42 goals and 144 objectives necessary to ***assist the community to achieve its desired vision for the future.***”

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOCUS TOPIC AREAS

- Transportation / Other Infrastructure
- Economic Development
- Parks, Recreation, and Open Space
- Aesthetics
- Land Use
- Civic Improvement

KEYPAD POLLING EXERCISE

For each existing Goal, we are going to ask you two (2) “yes or no” questions:

- 1. Is this Goal still relevant to the City?**
- 2. Has the City made good progress toward achieving this Goal.**

The outcome of this exercise will help to inform the framework and critical priorities of the Comprehensive Plan Update process.

Focus Topic Area:

**Transportation /
Other Infrastructure**

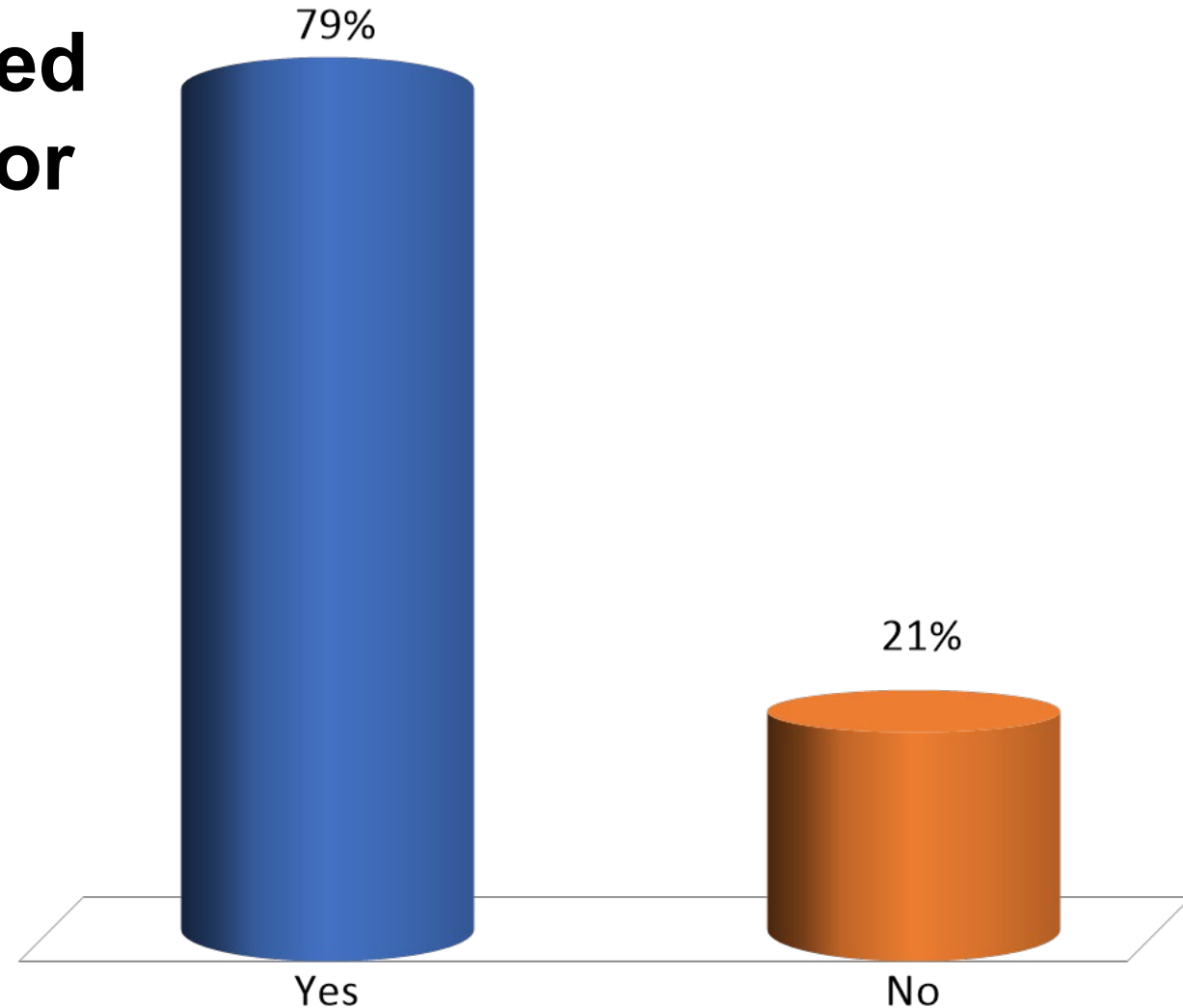
Transportation / Other Infrastructure

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A. Yes

B. No



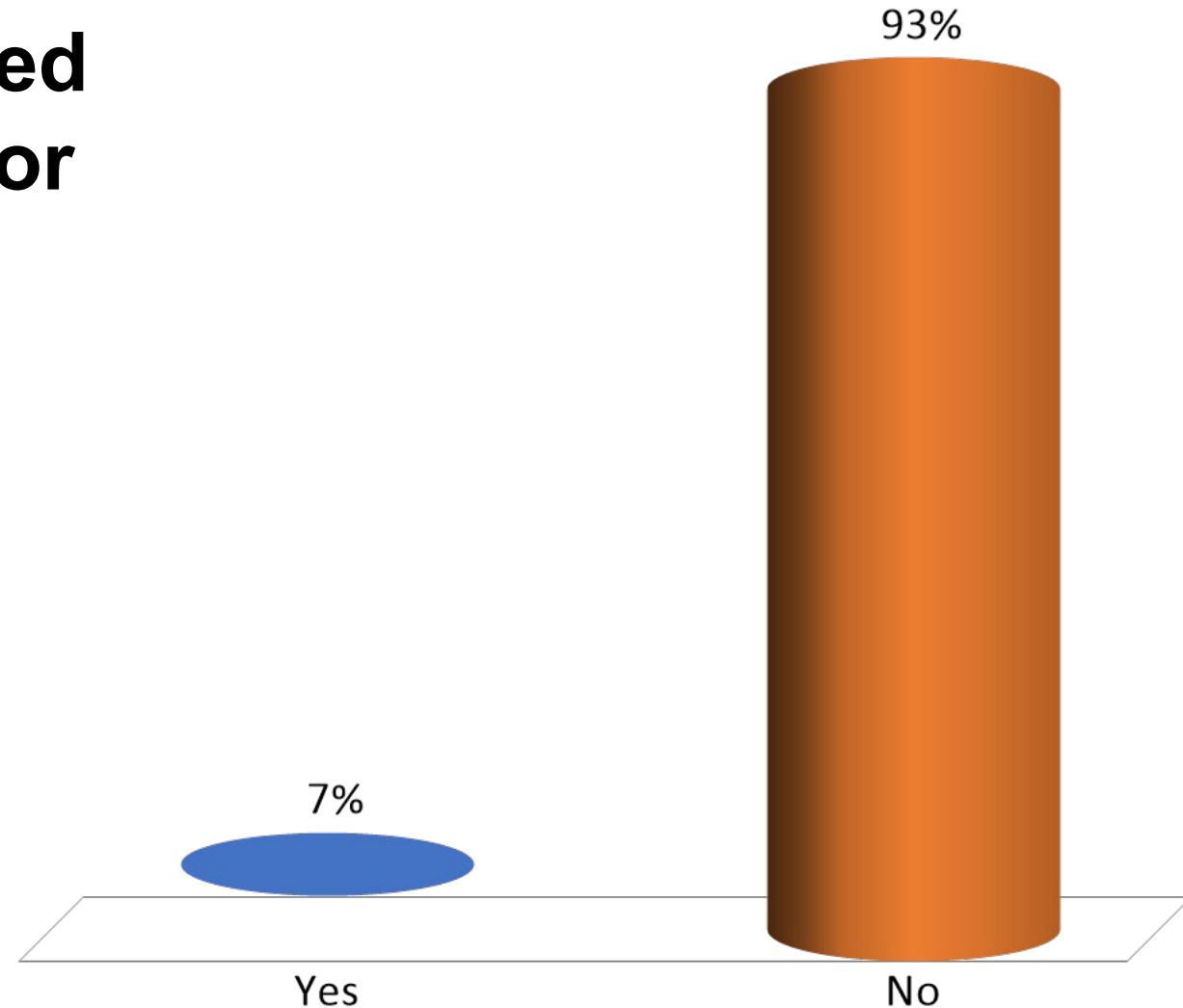
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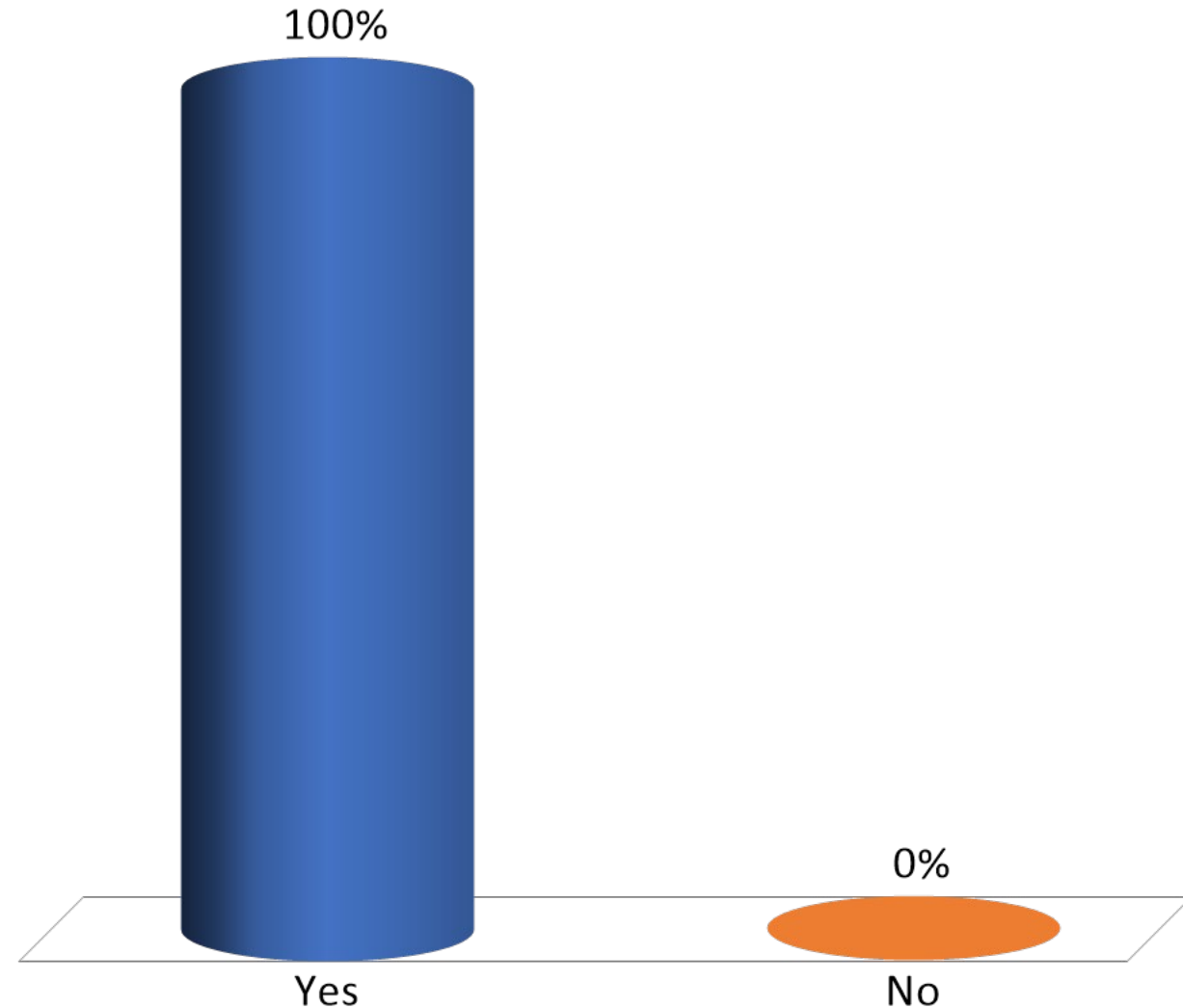
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Goal 2: Expand the City of Washington's pedestrian / bikeway network.

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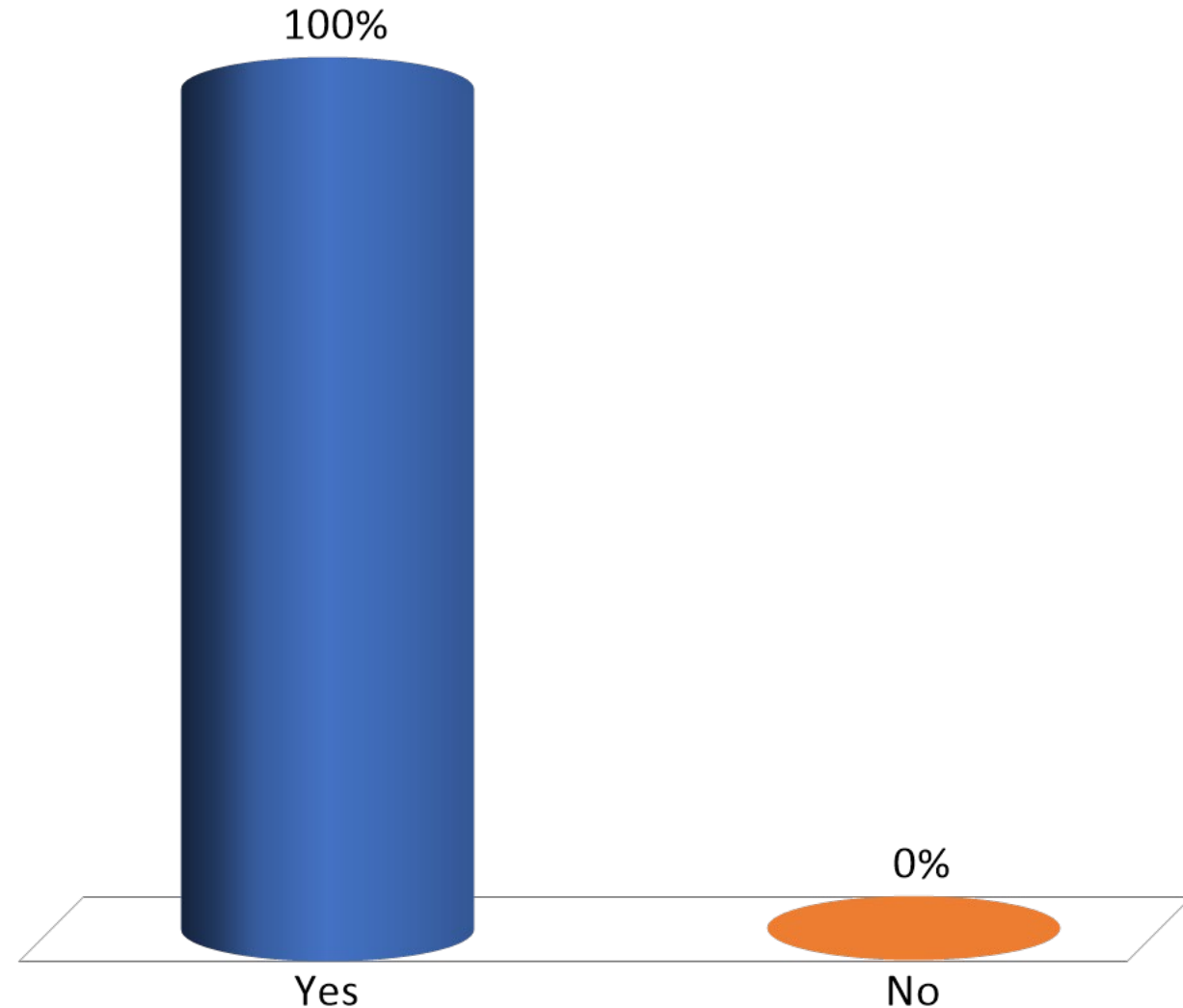
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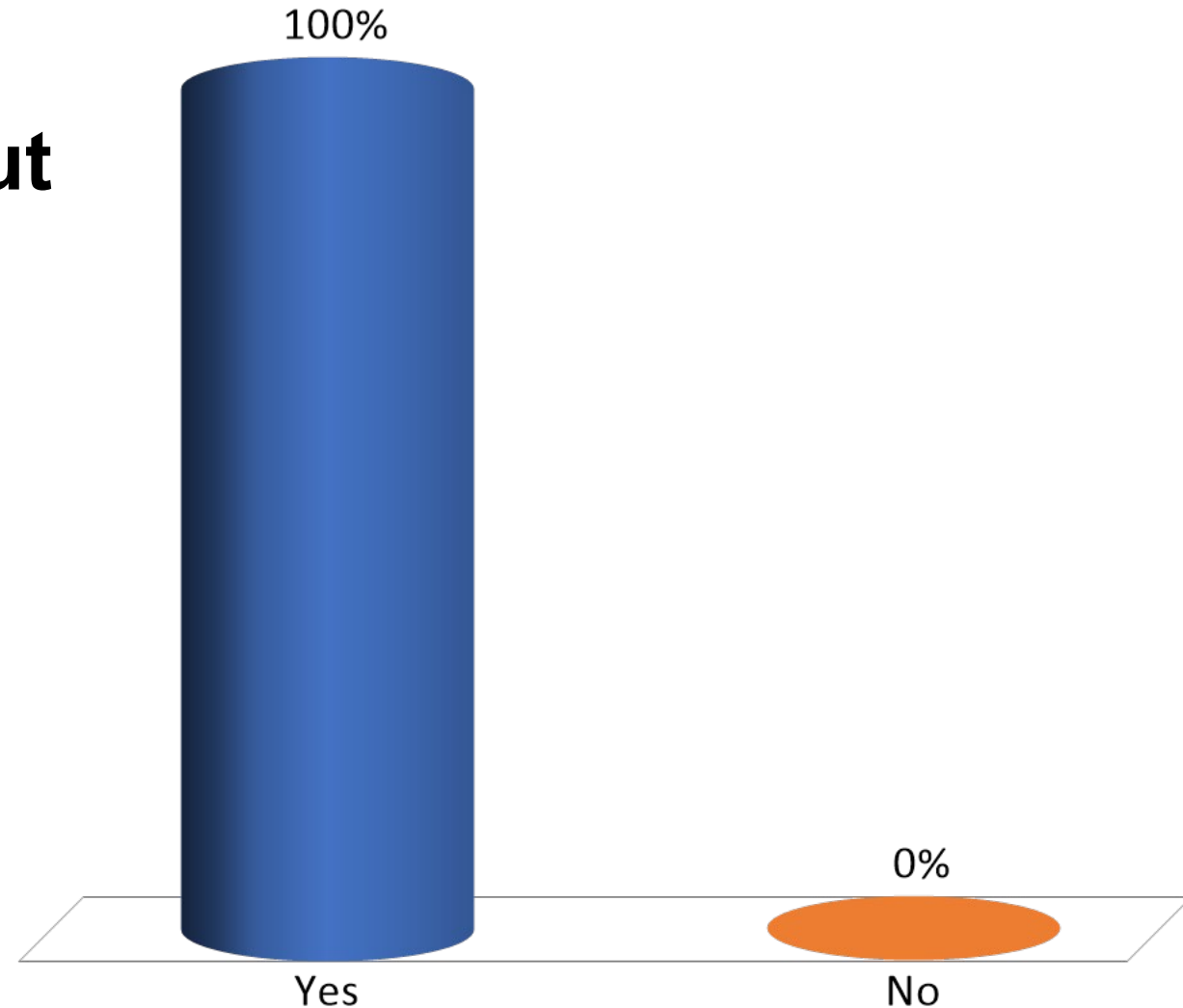
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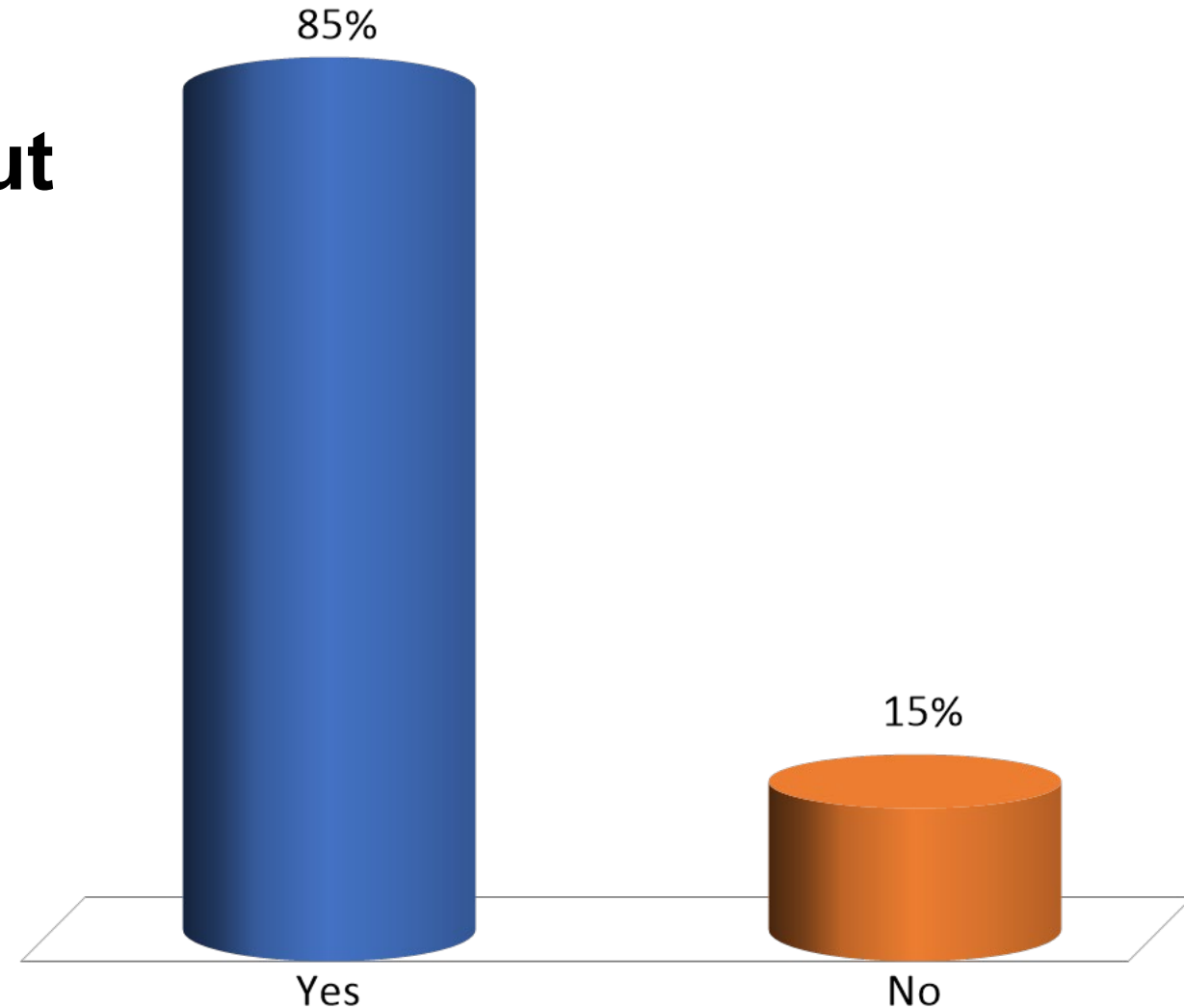
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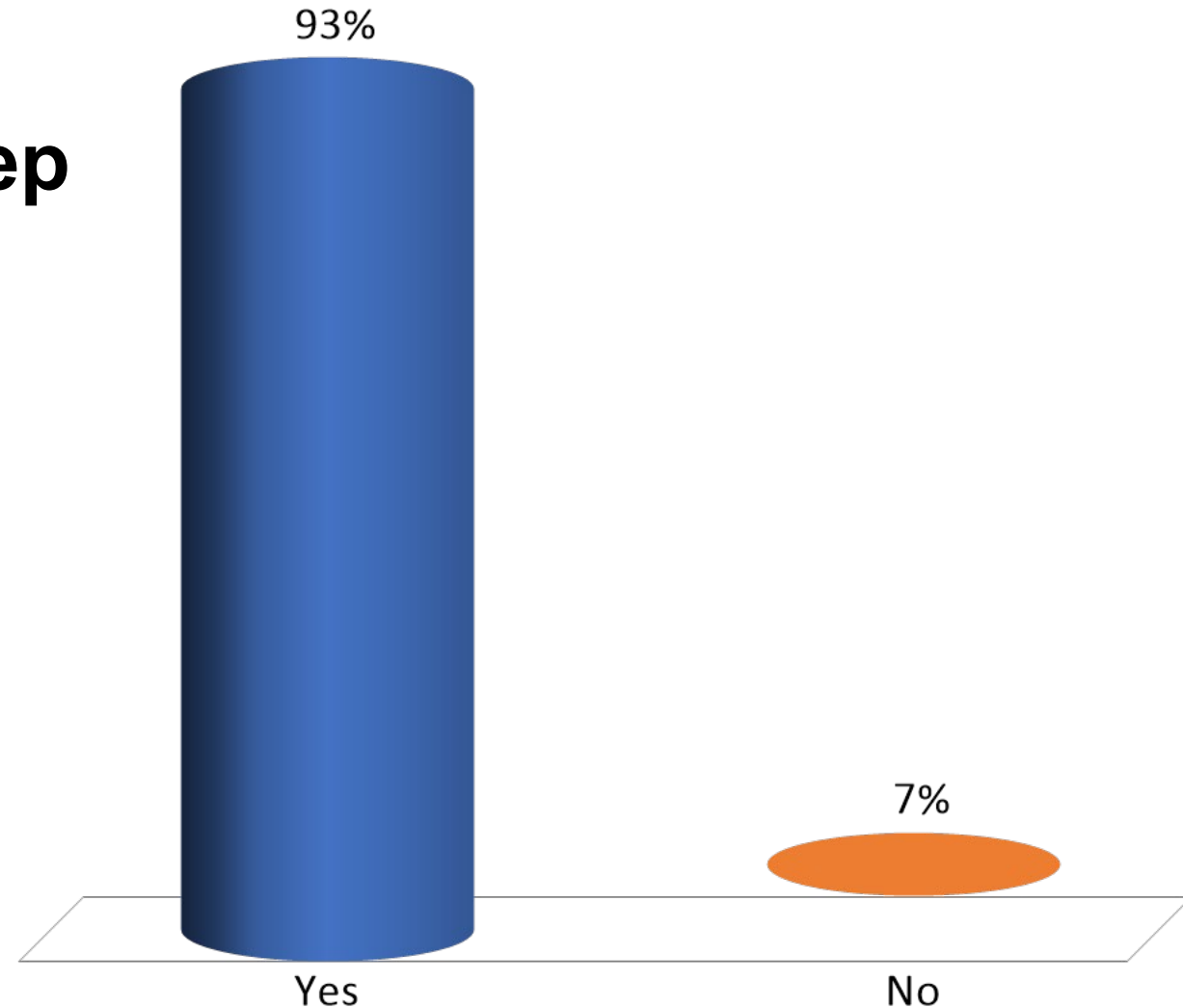
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Goal 4: Continue a transportation program to keep the streets safe and well-maintained.

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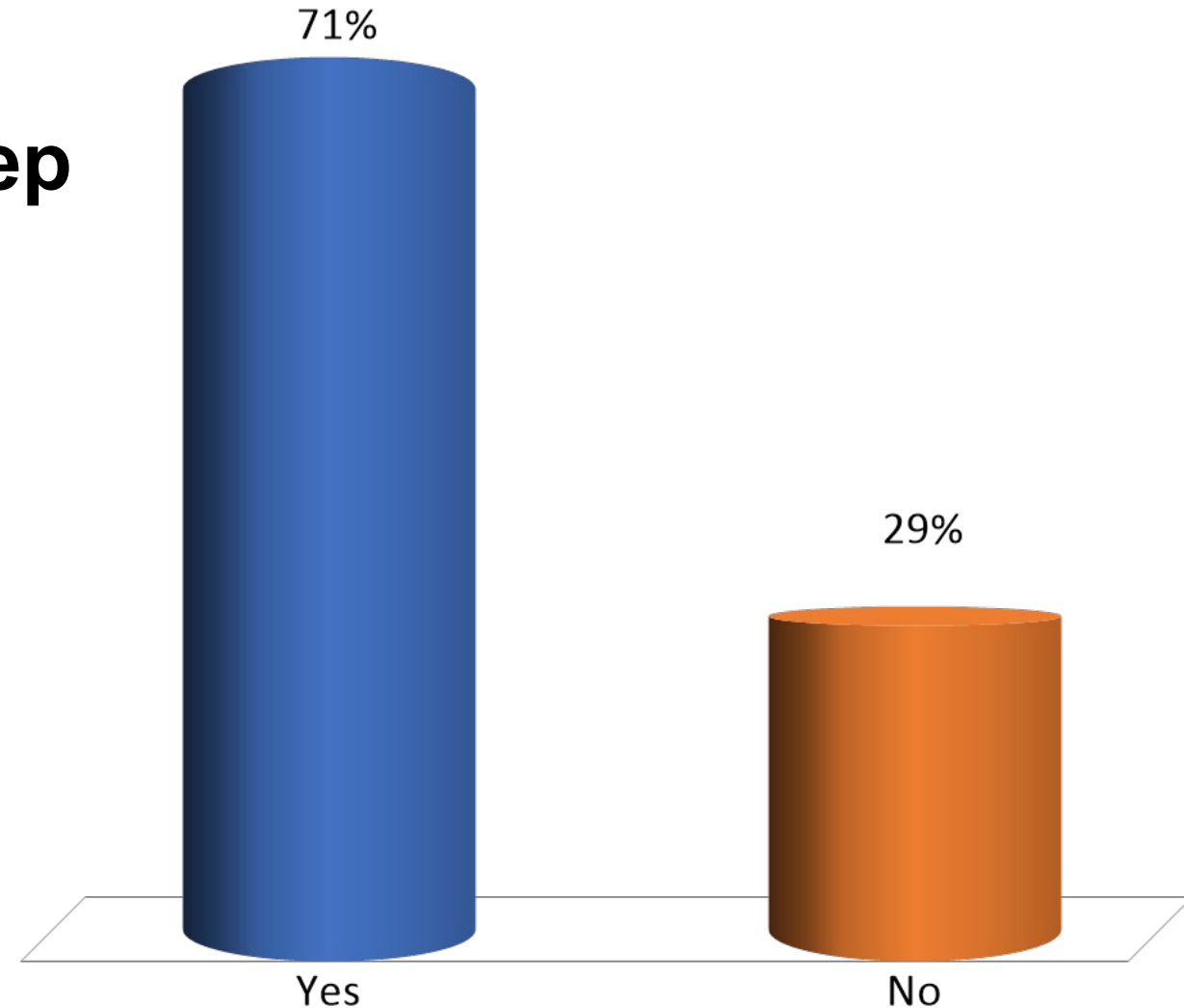
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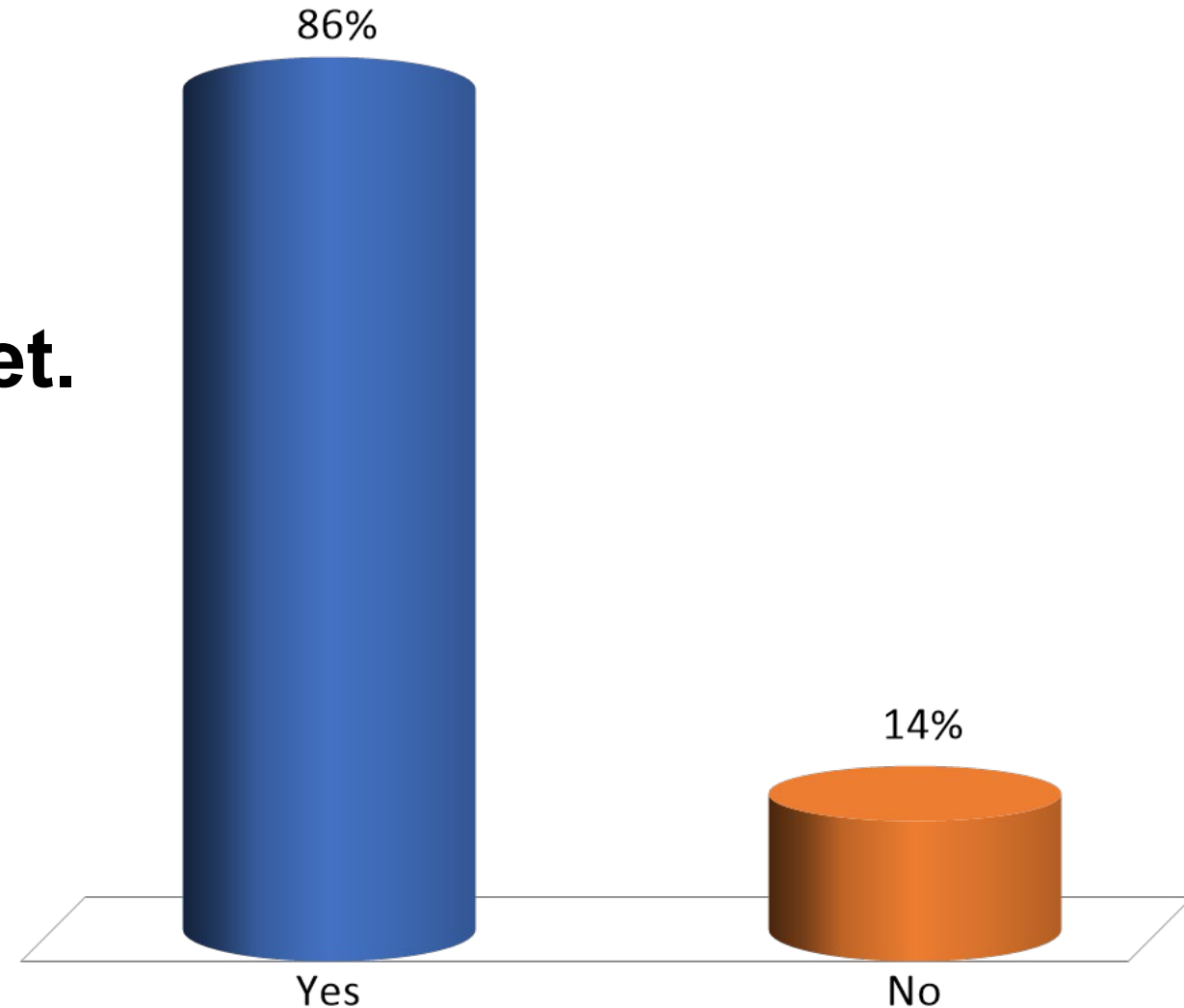
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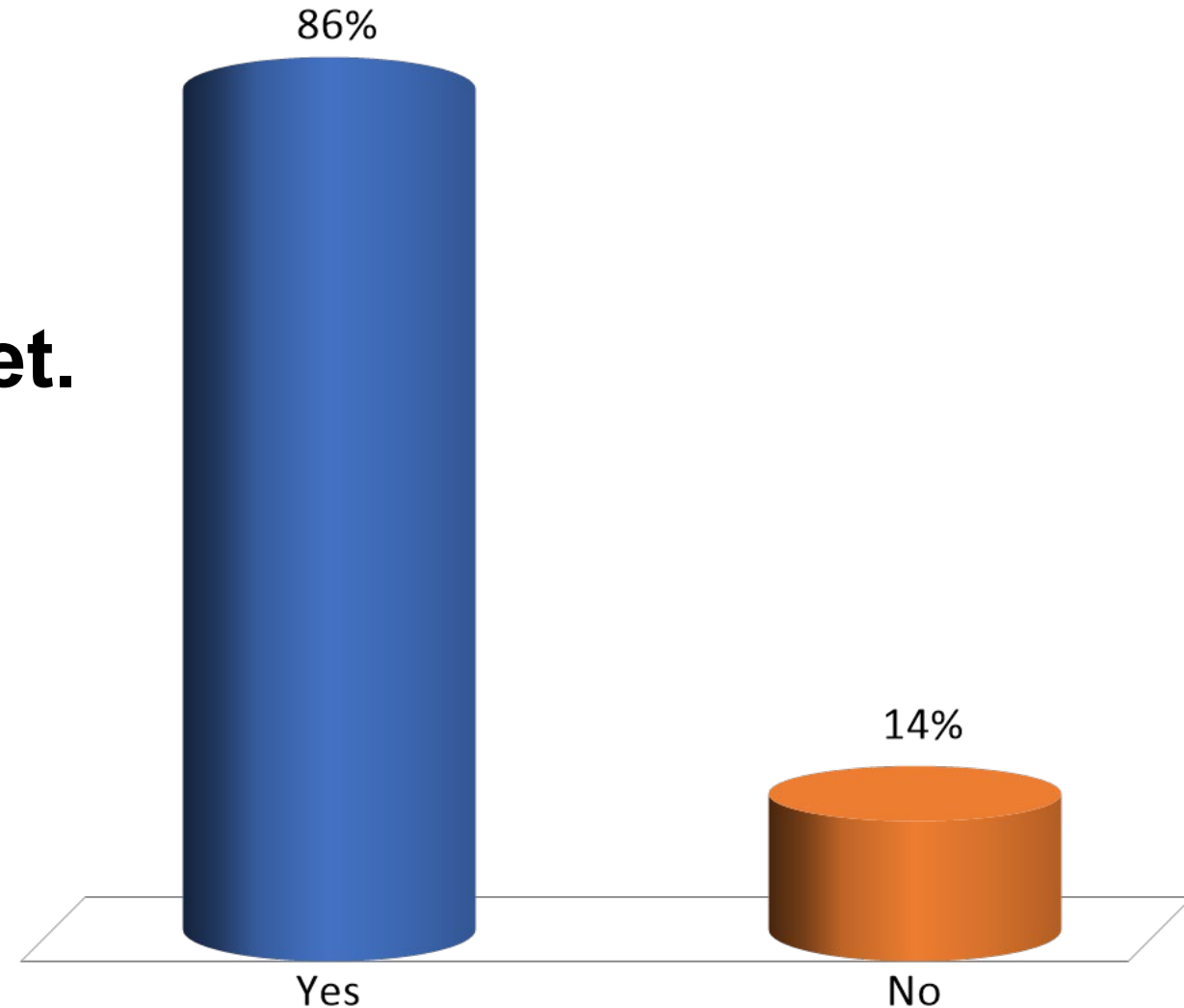
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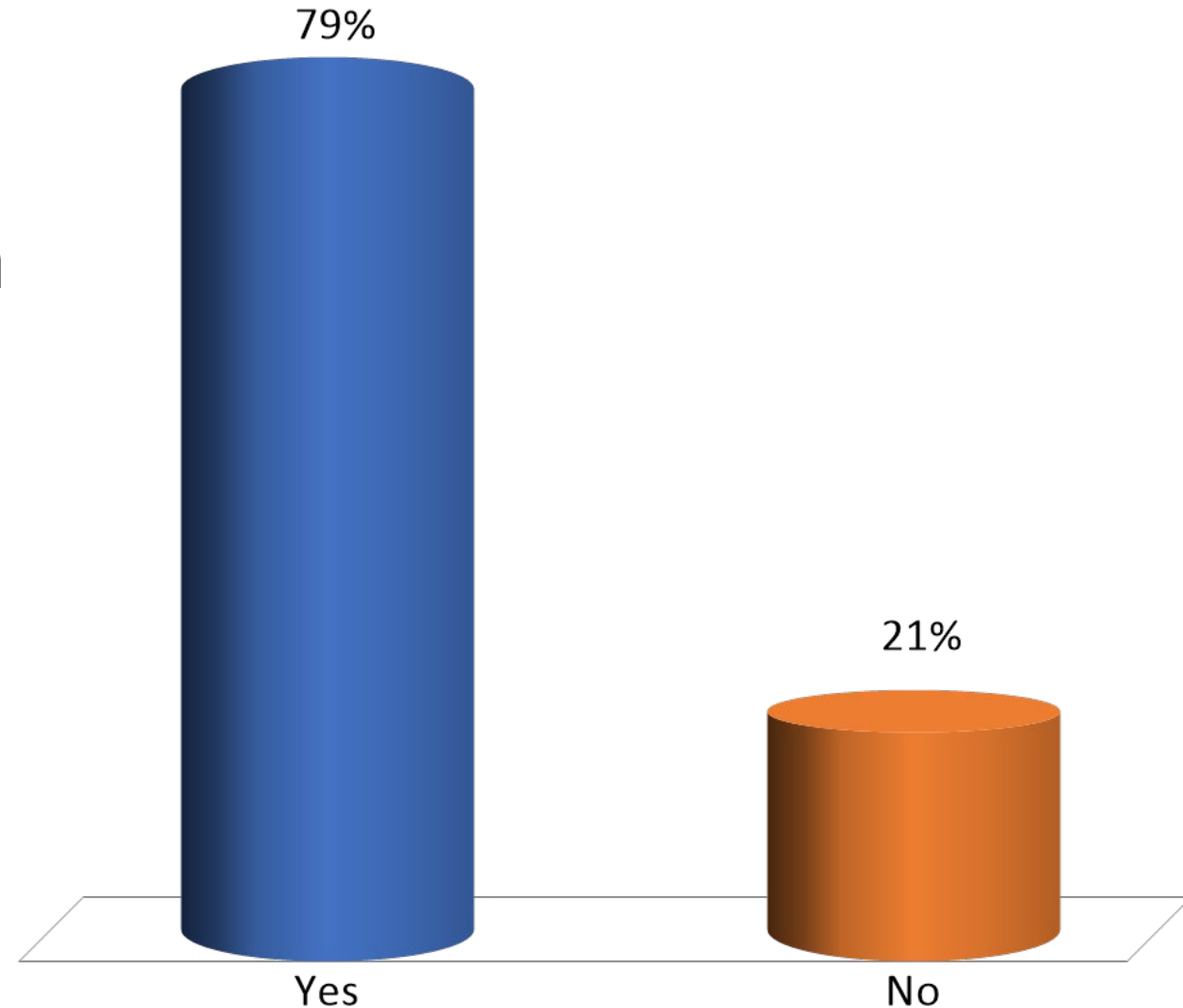
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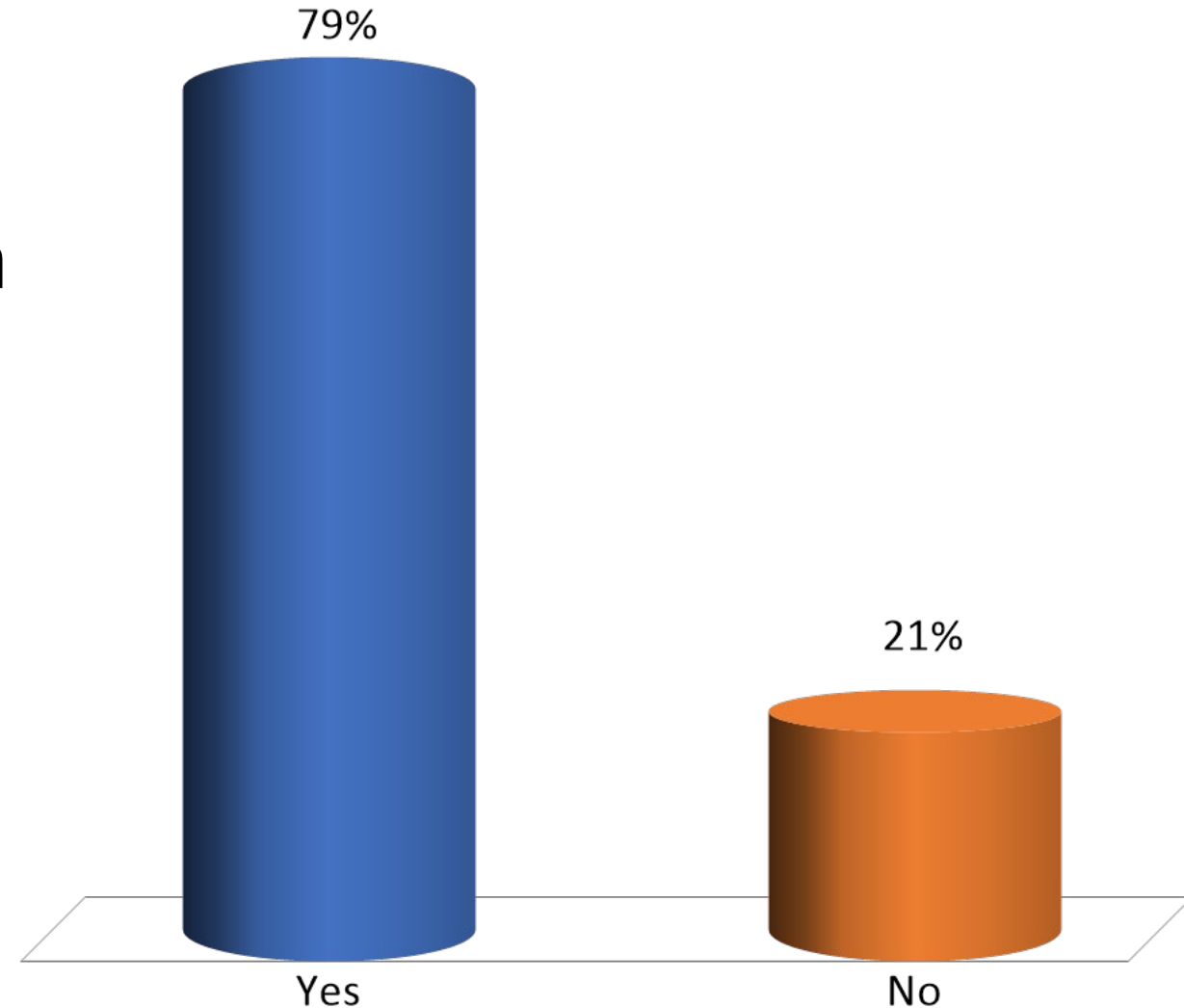
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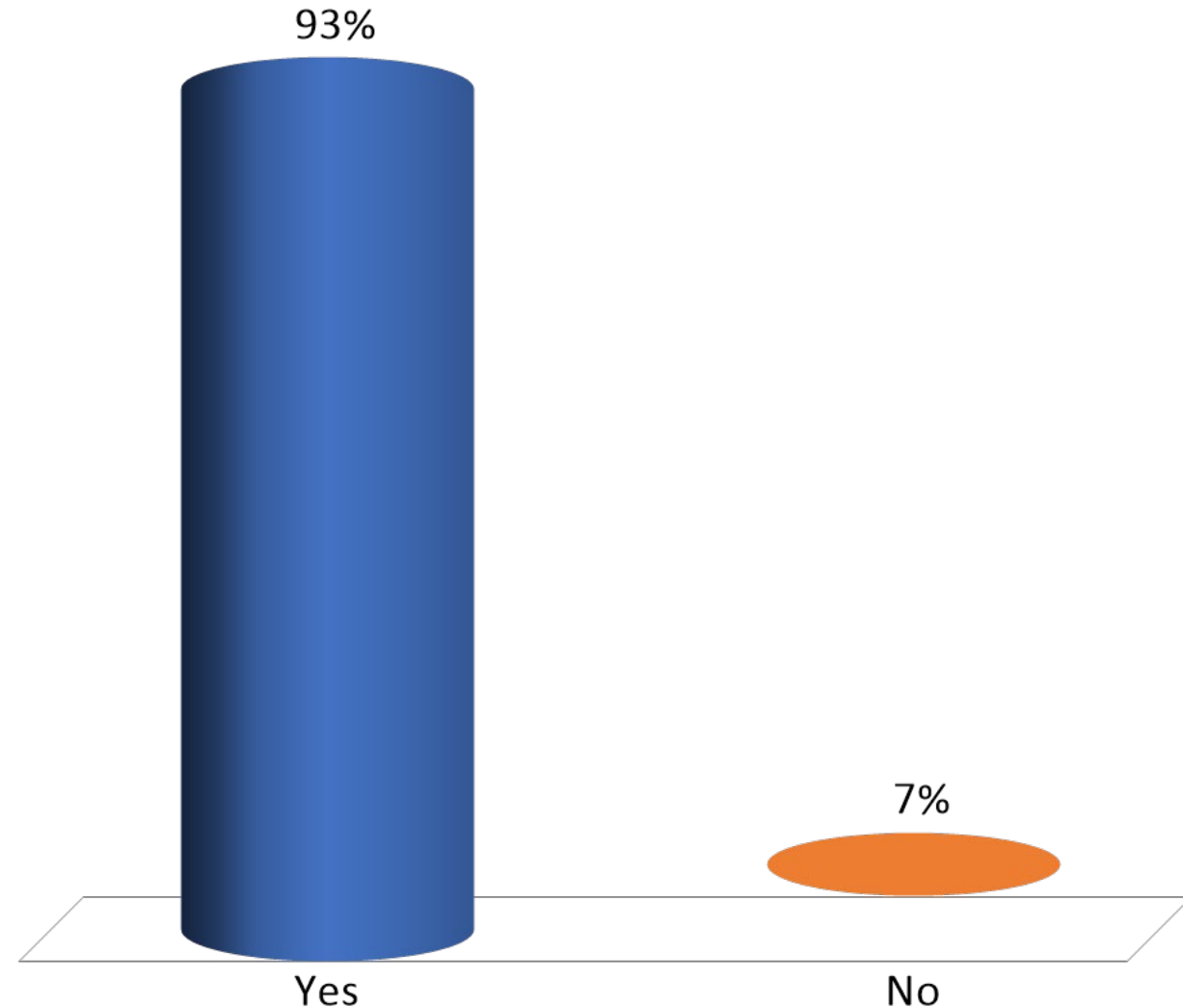
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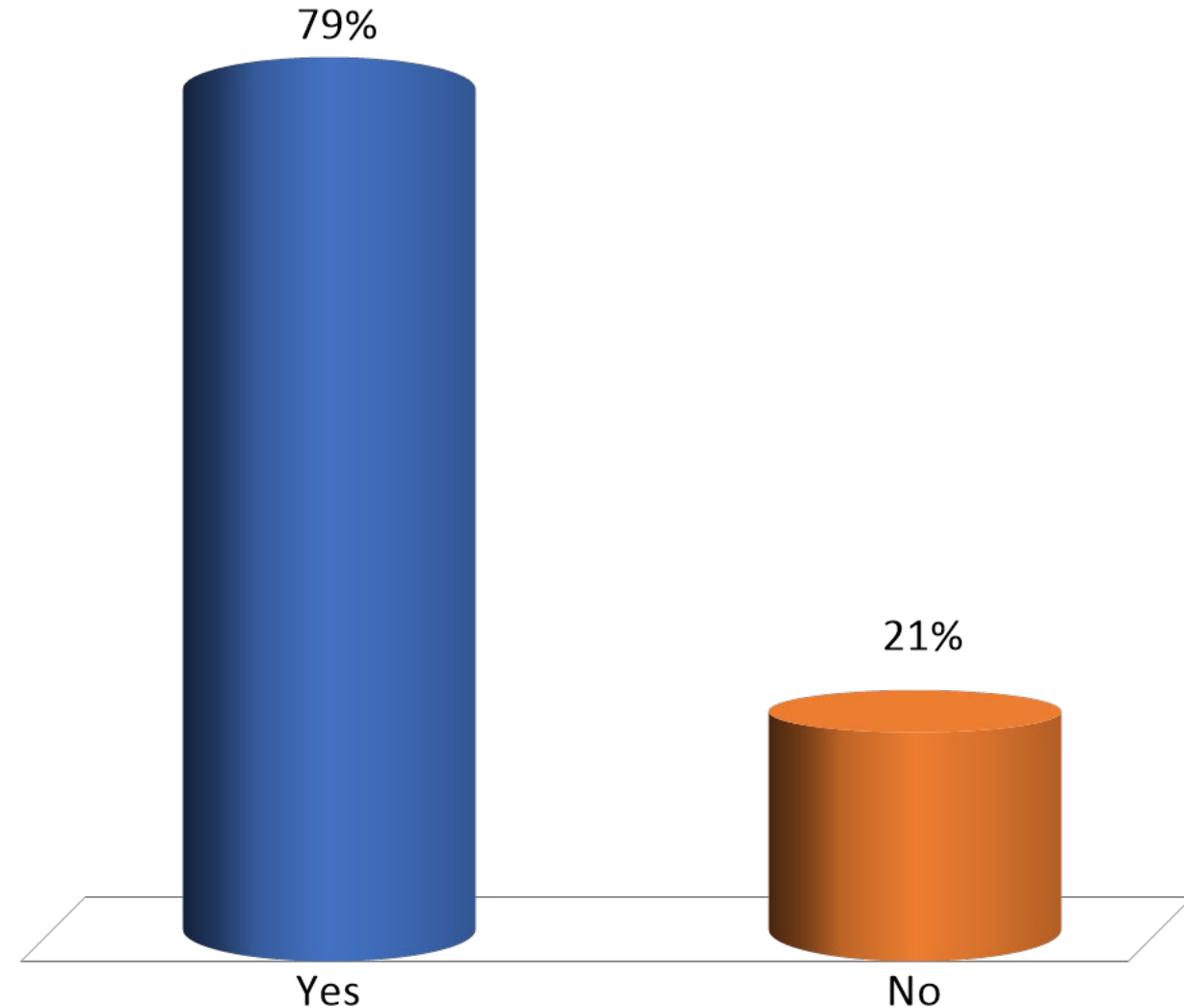
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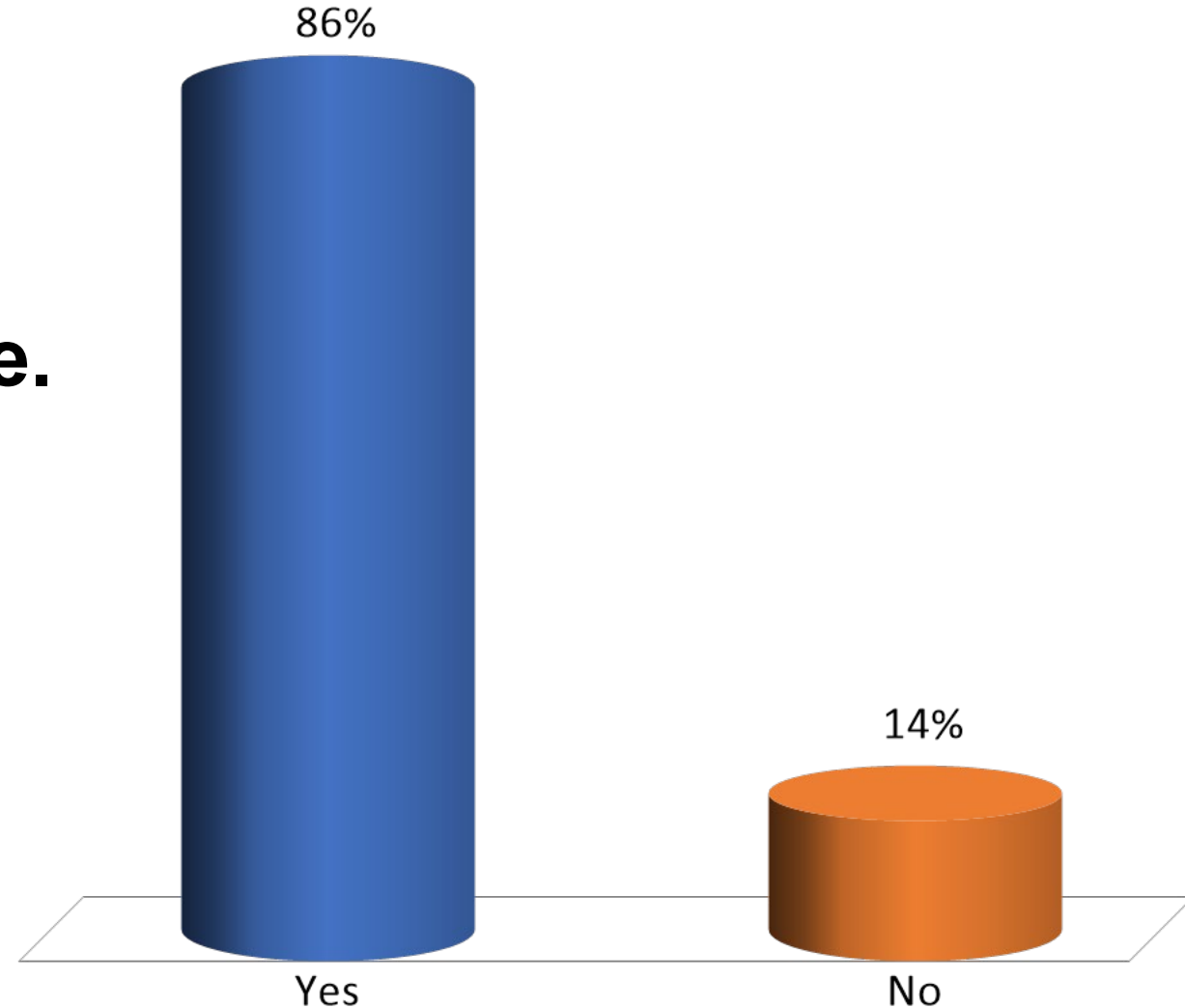
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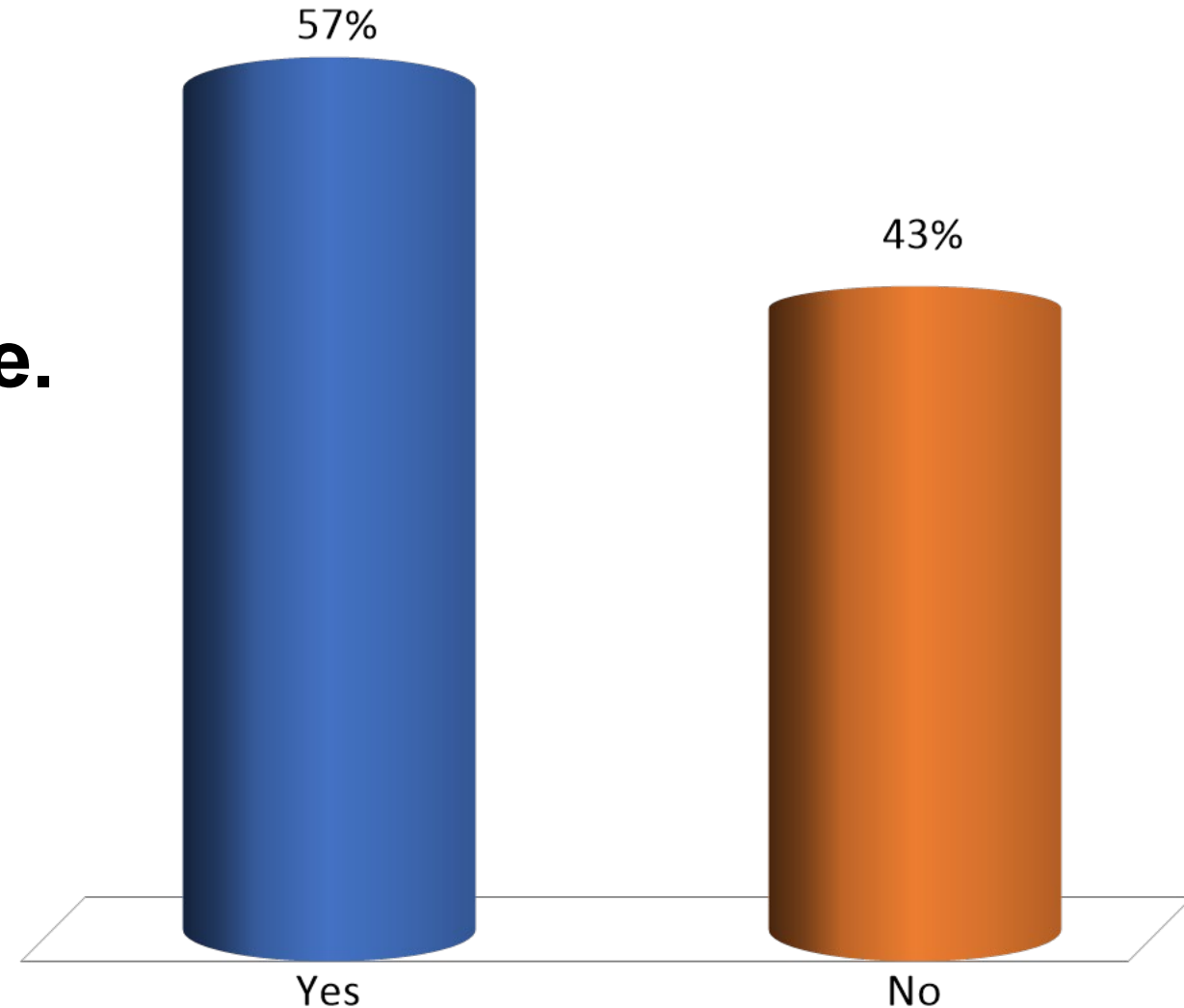
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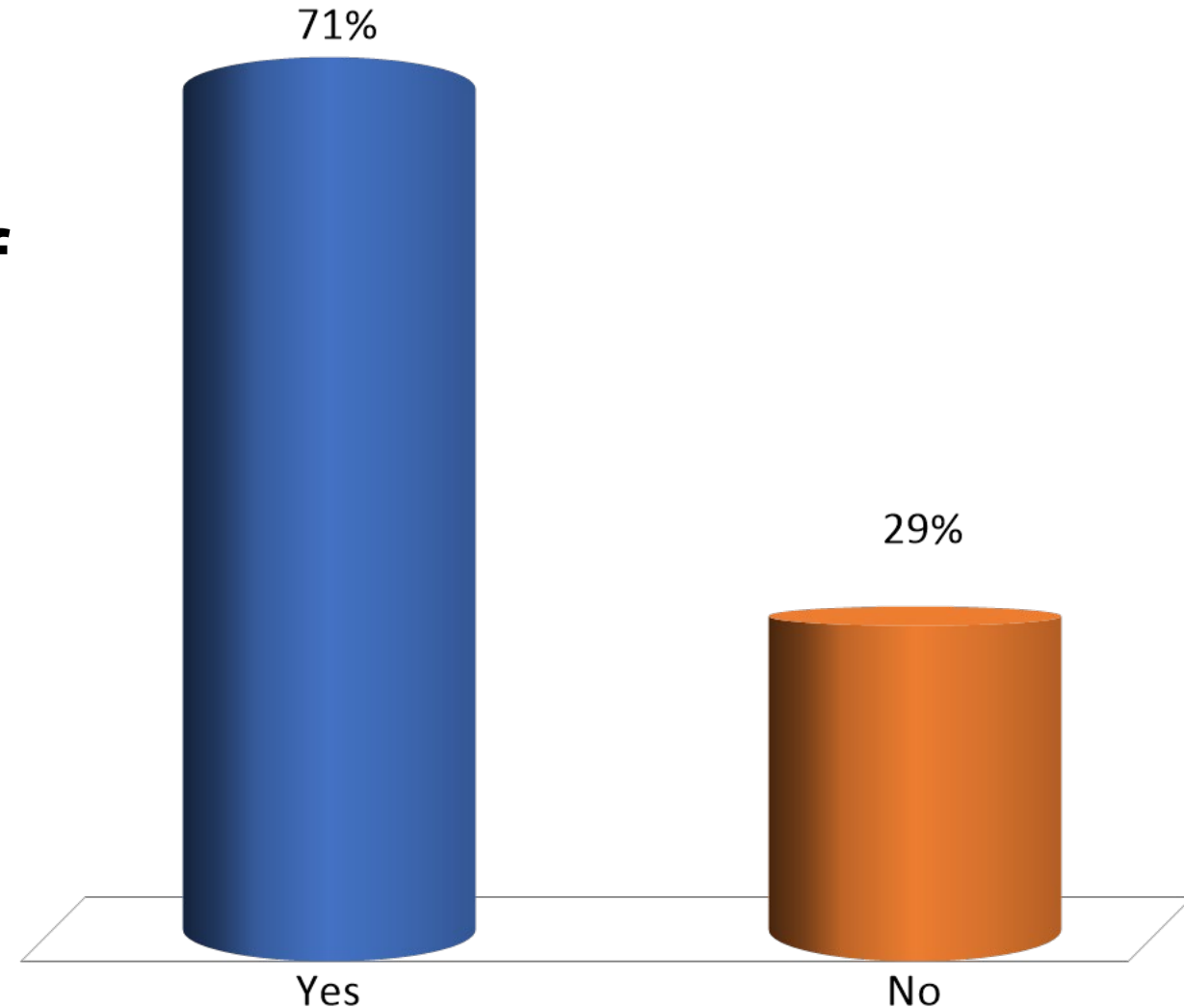
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Goal 9: Investigate the telecommunication (cable, broadband, internet) needs of the community.

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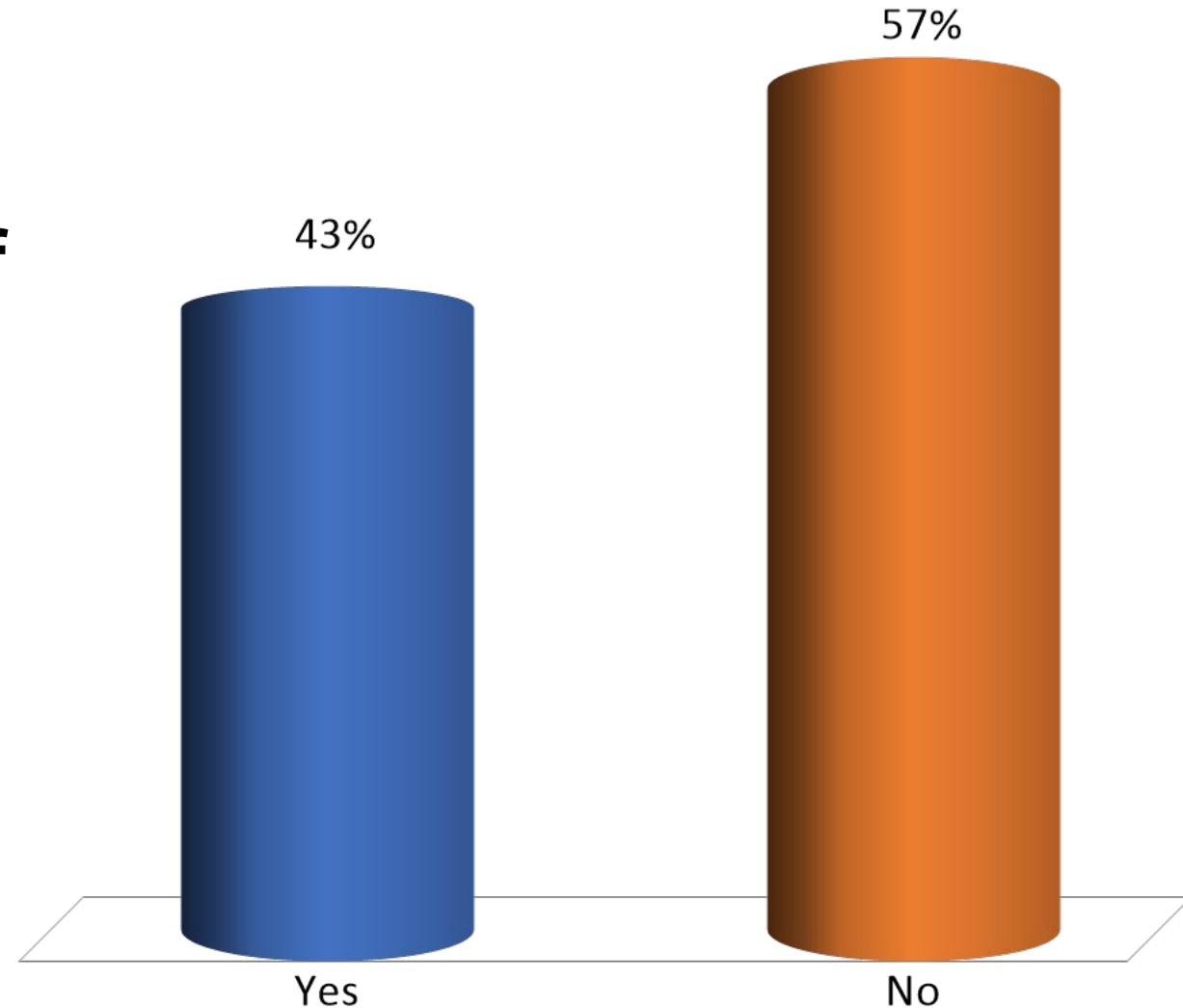
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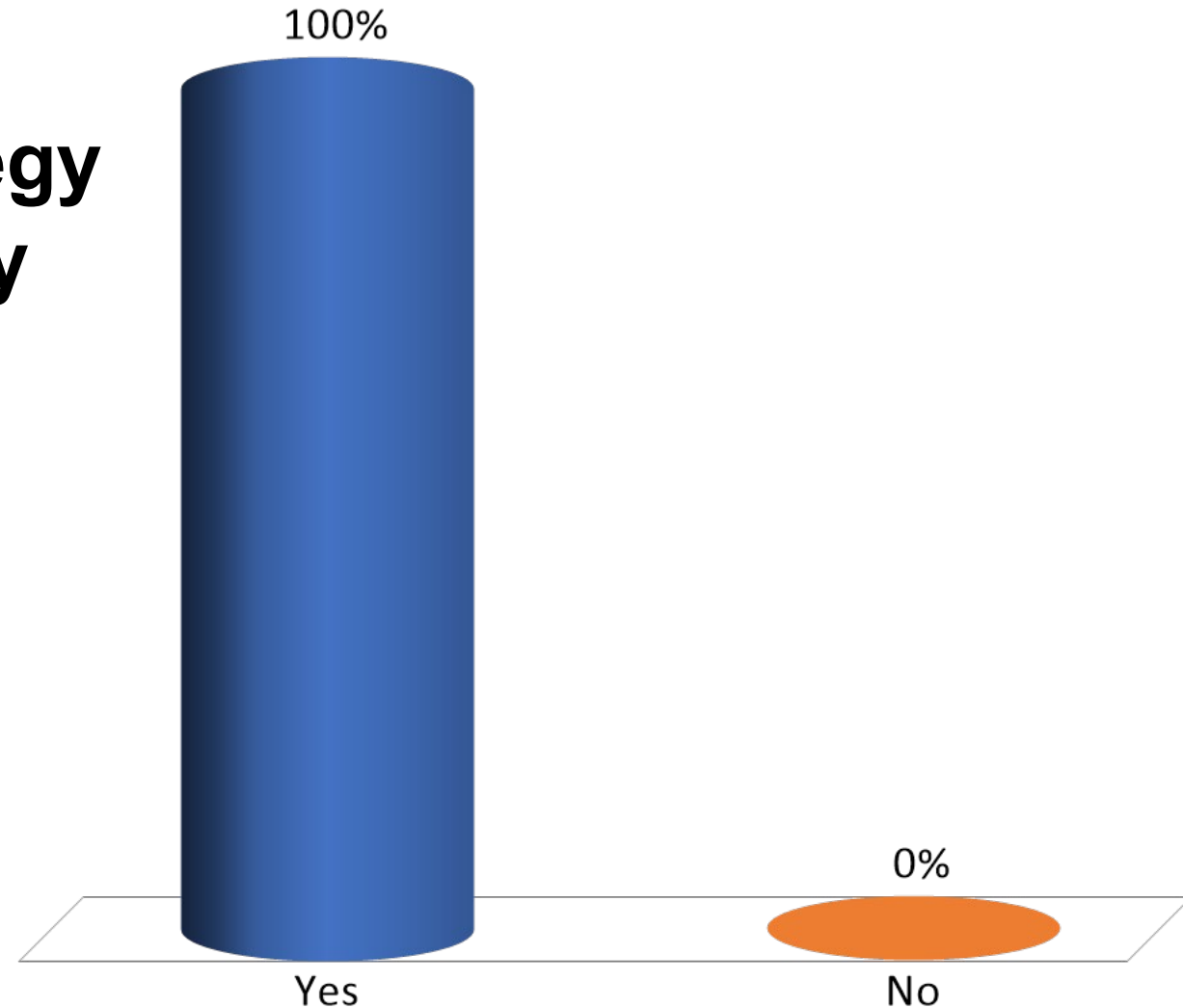
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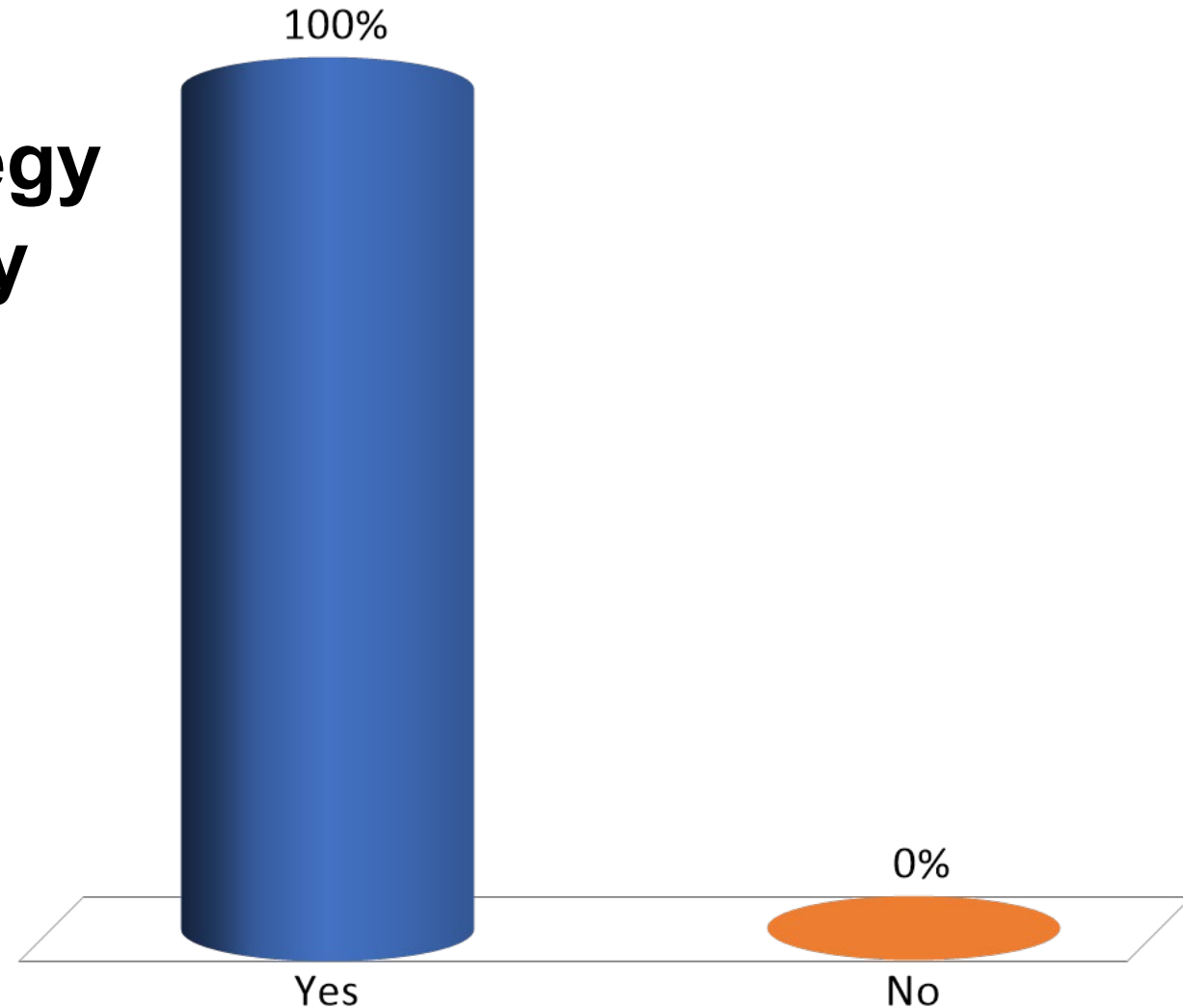
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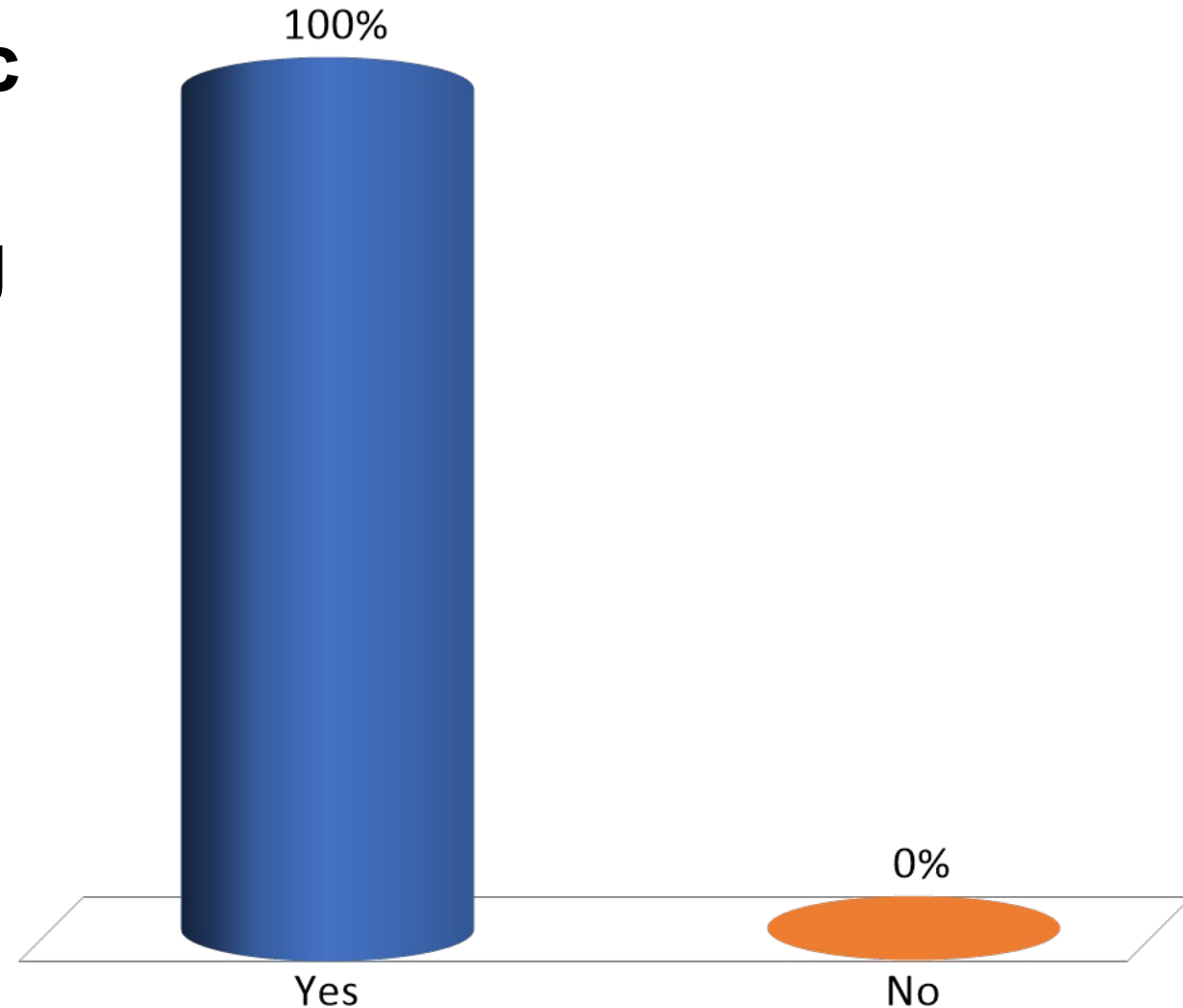
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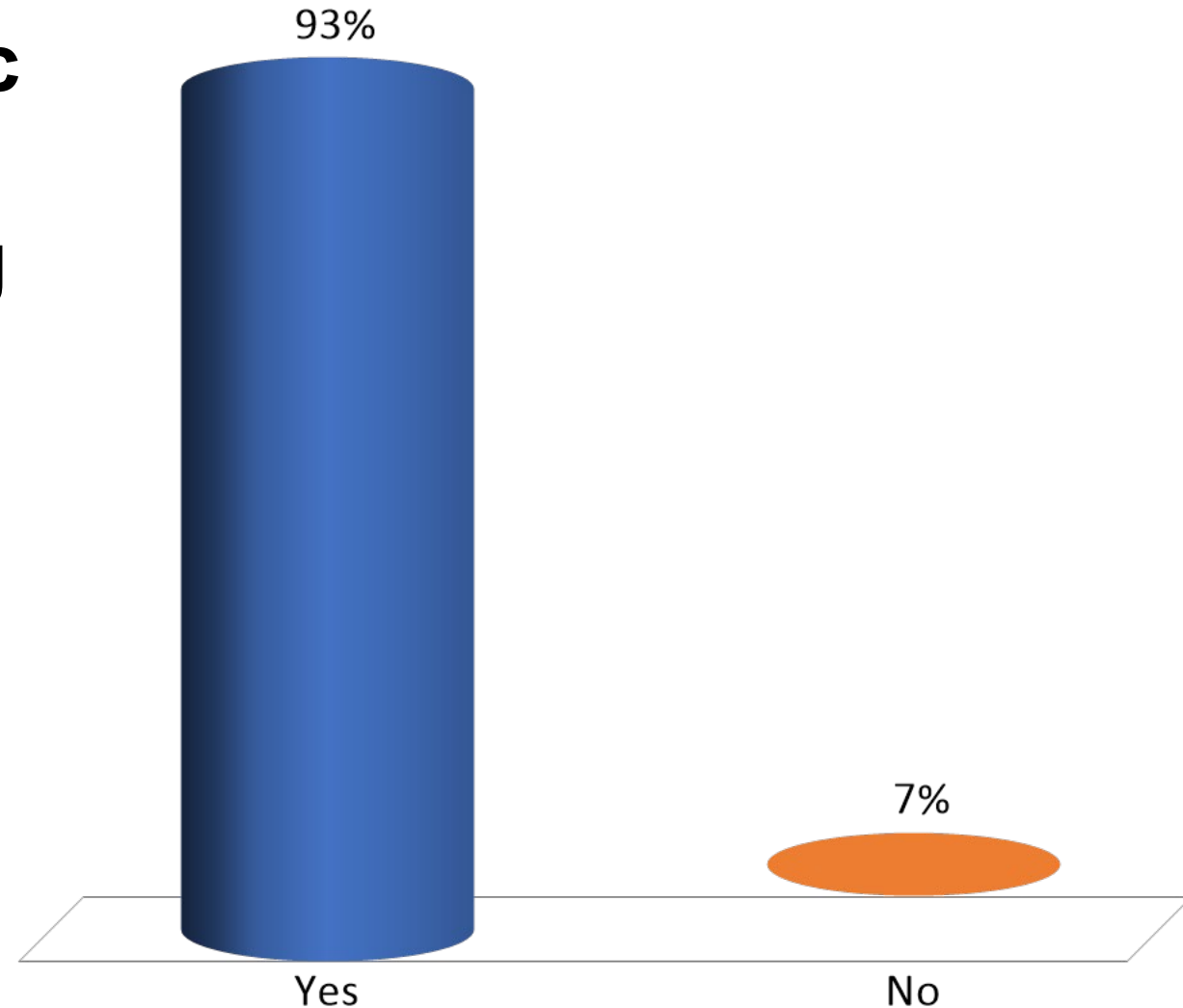
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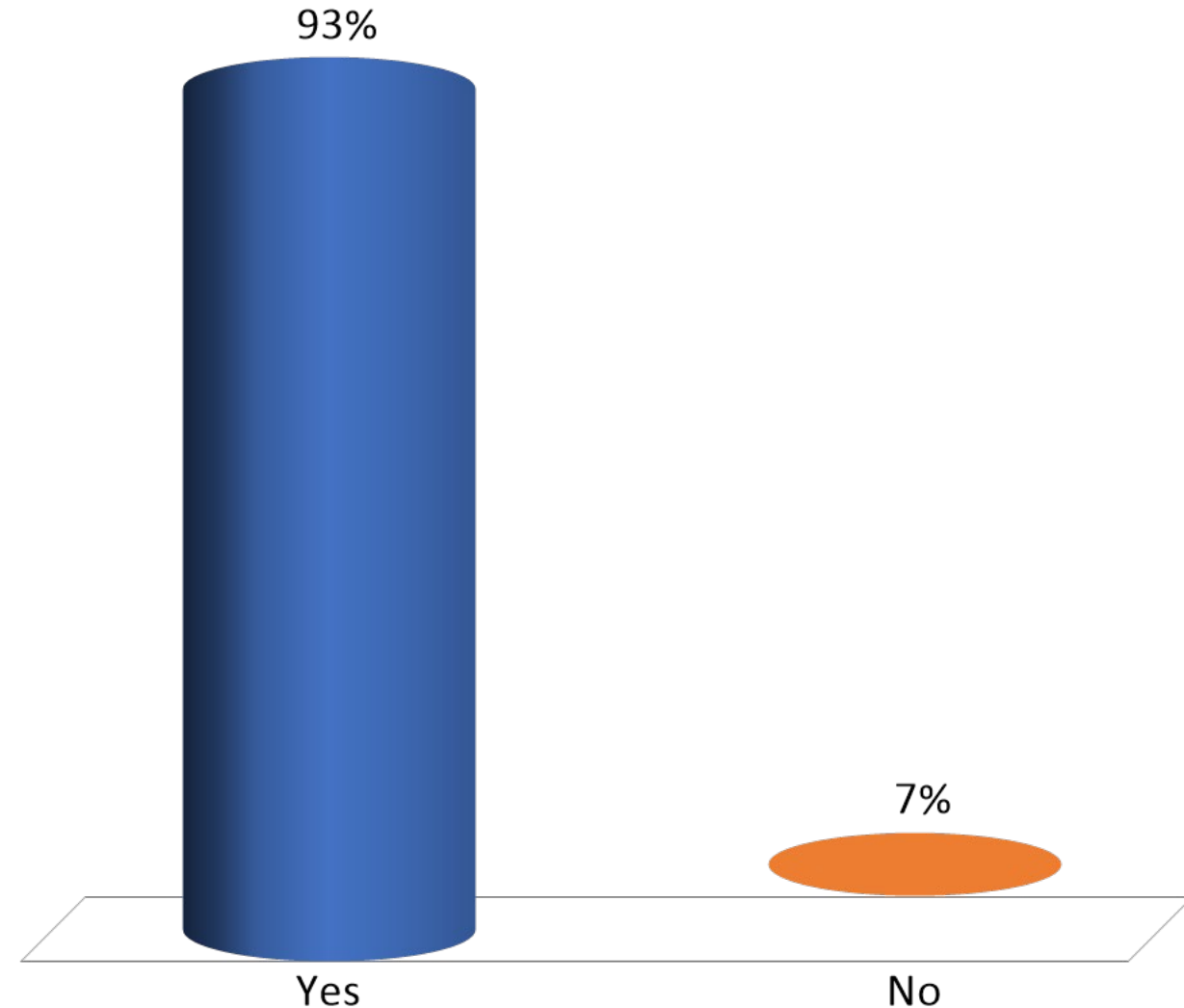
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Goal 3: Broaden the City's economic base by attracting diverse businesses.

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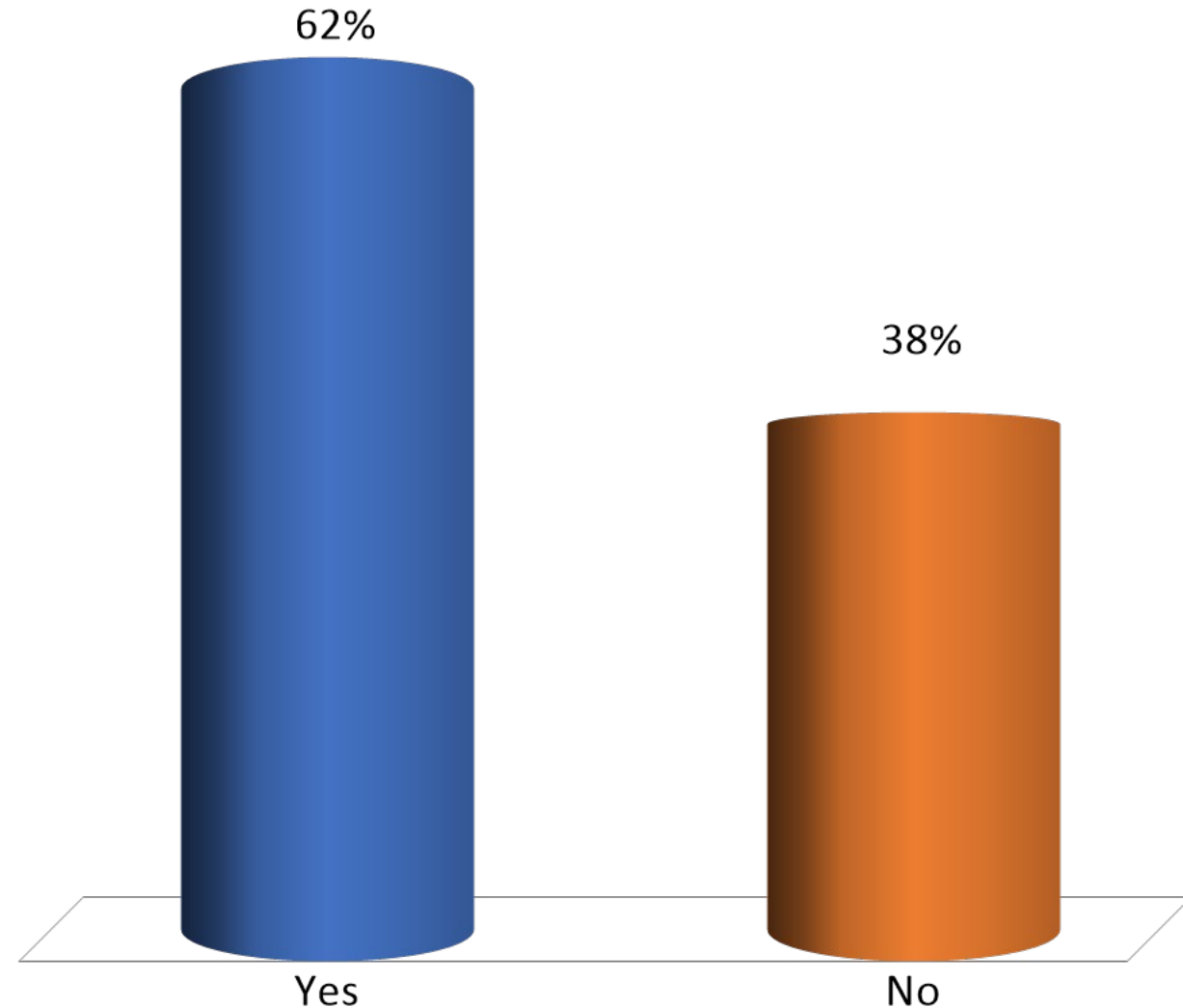
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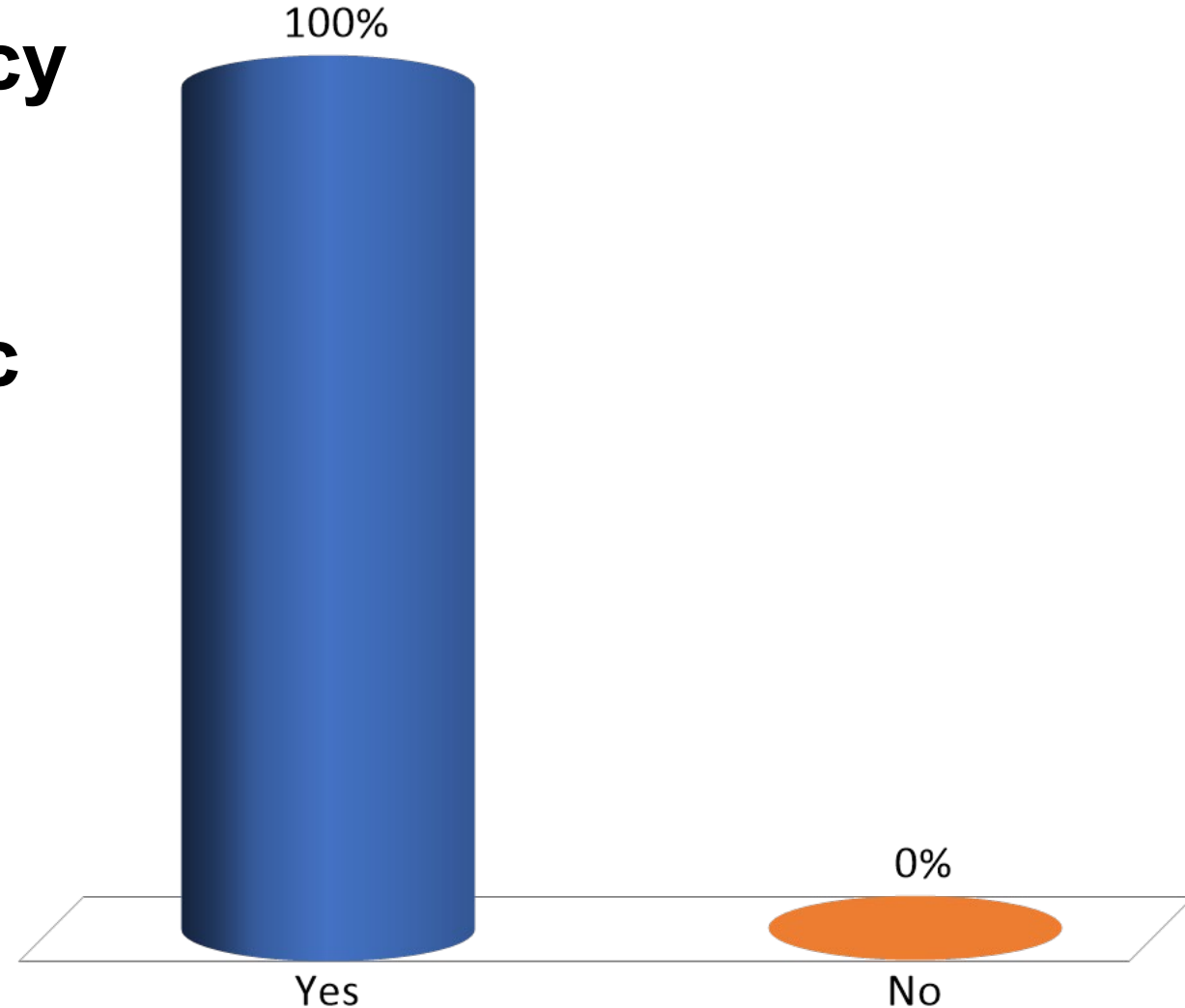
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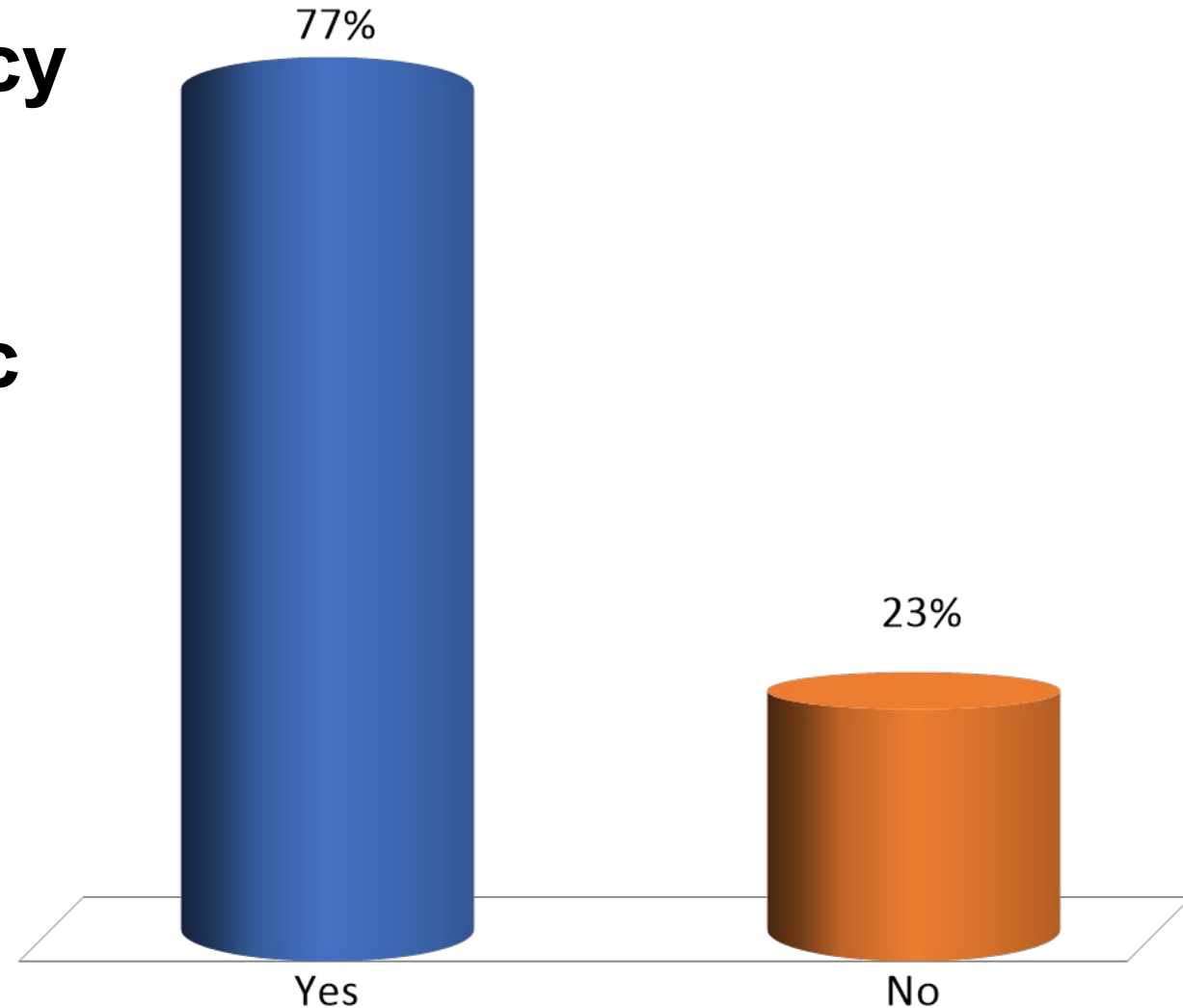
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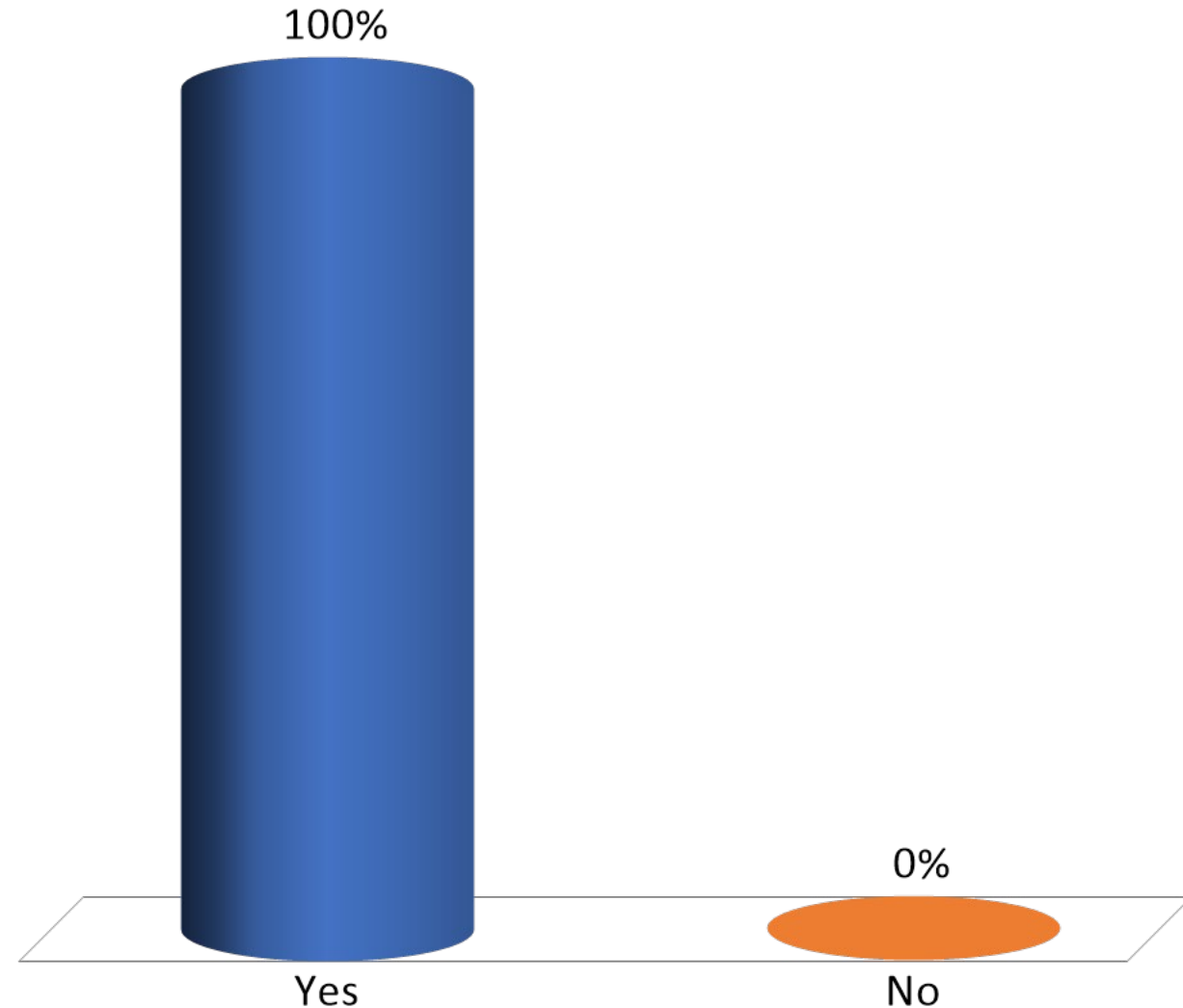
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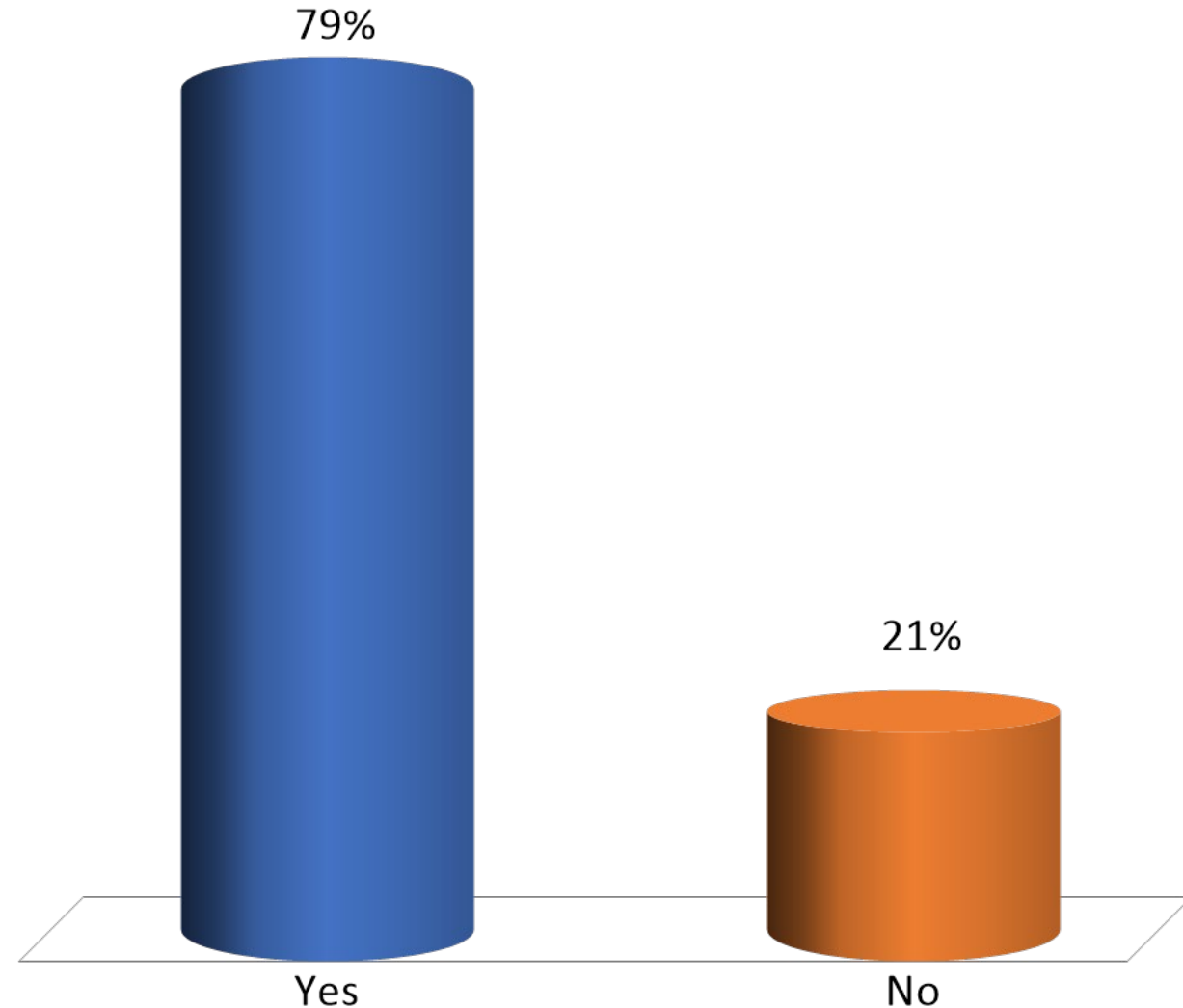
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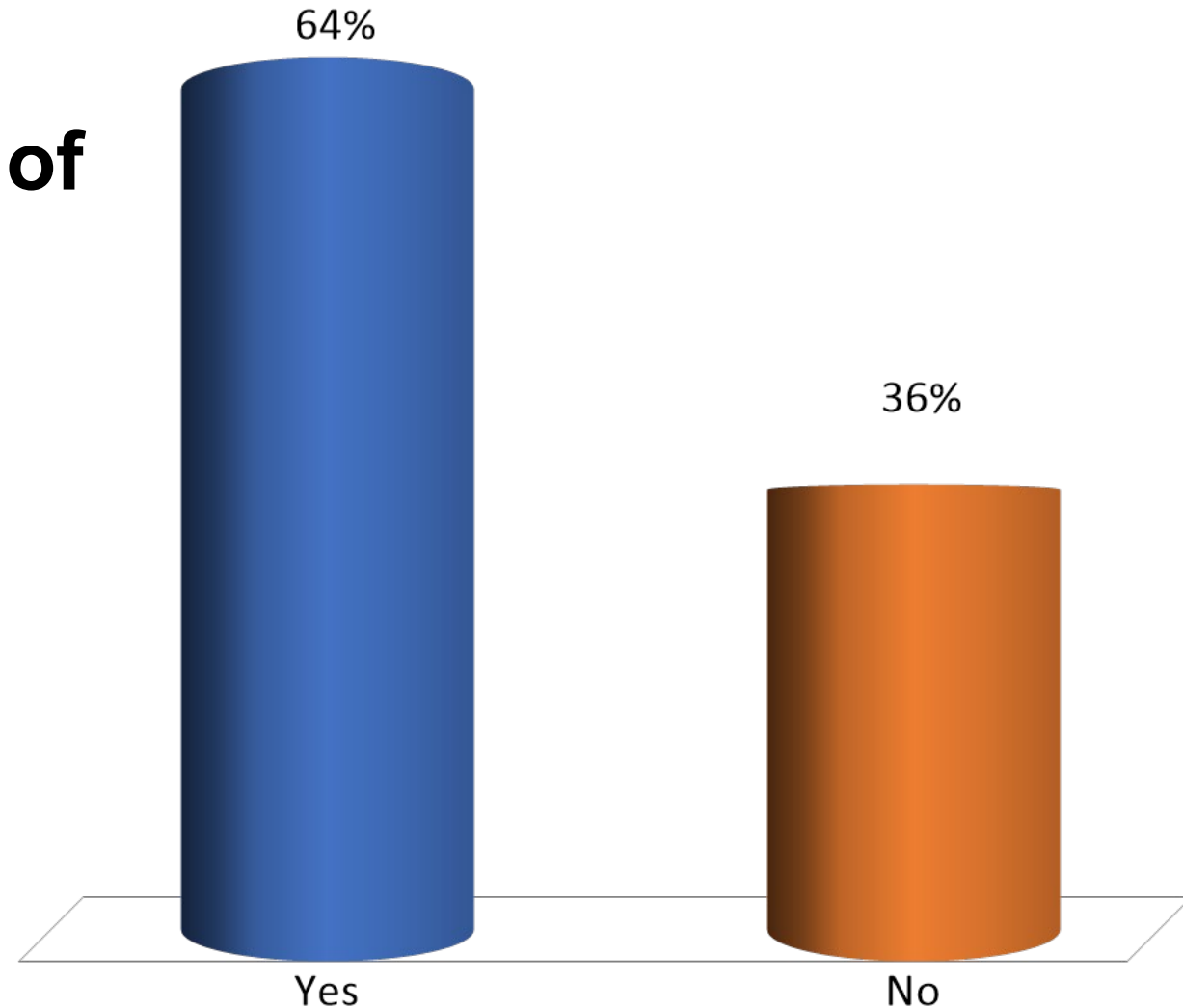
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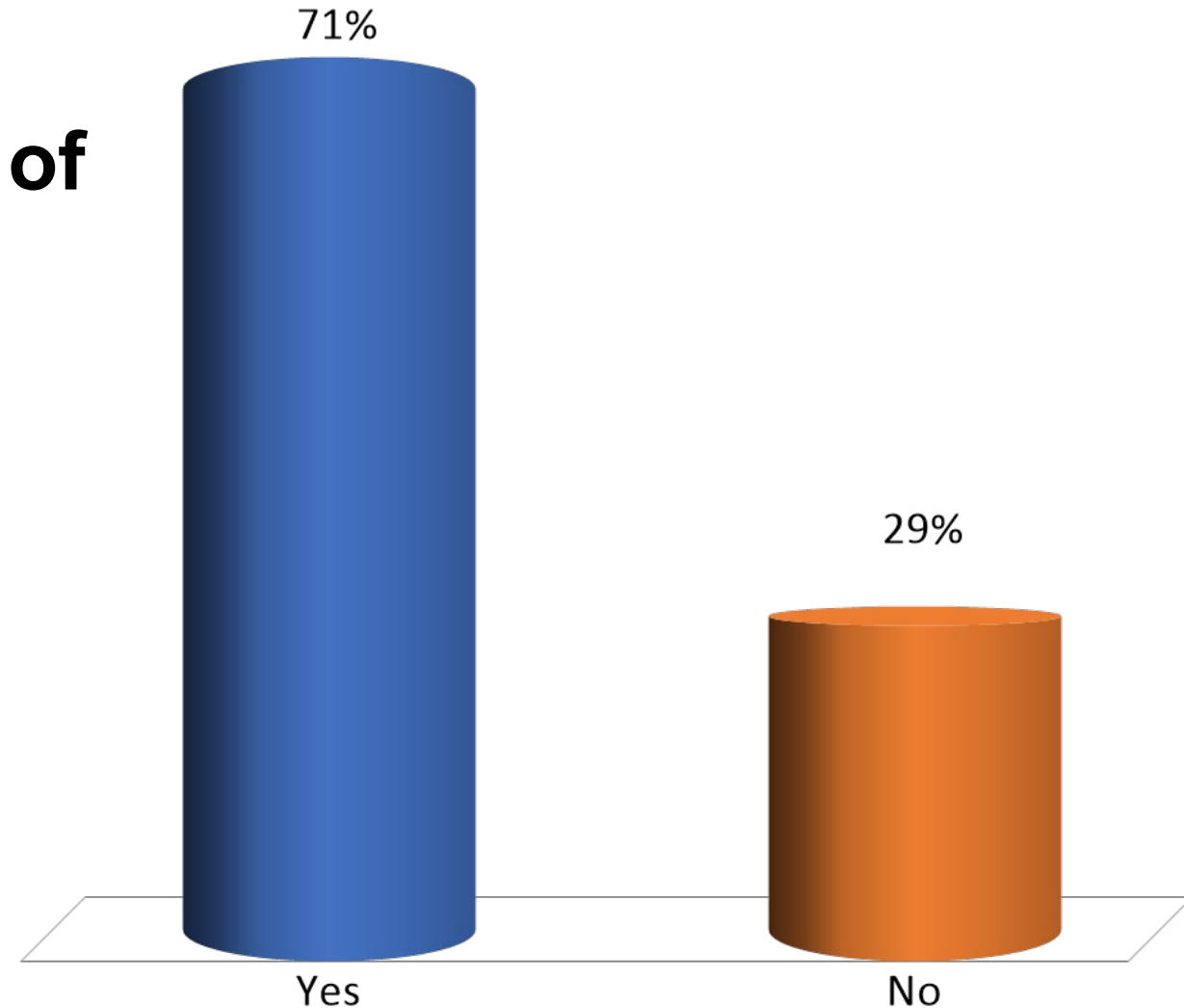
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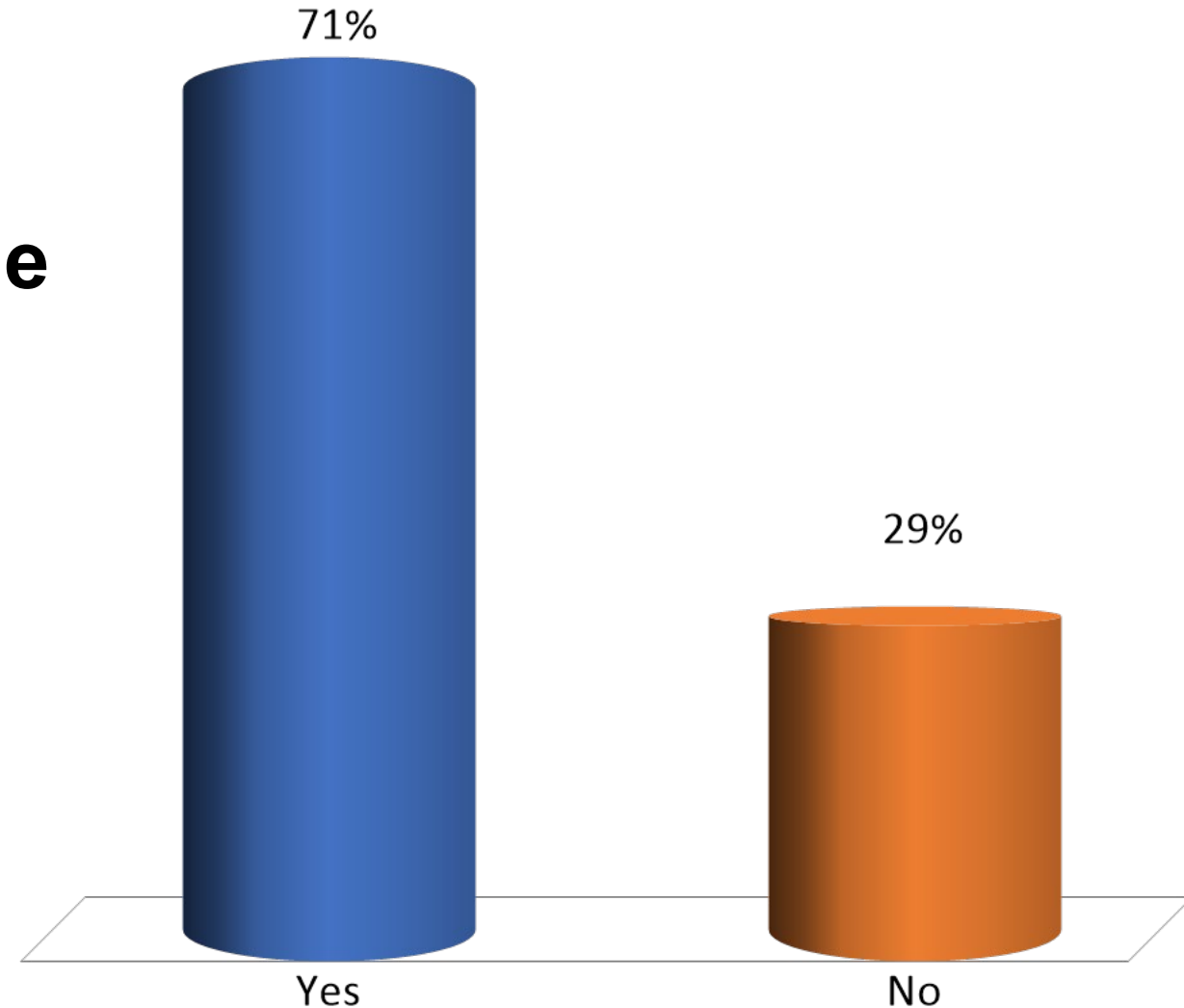
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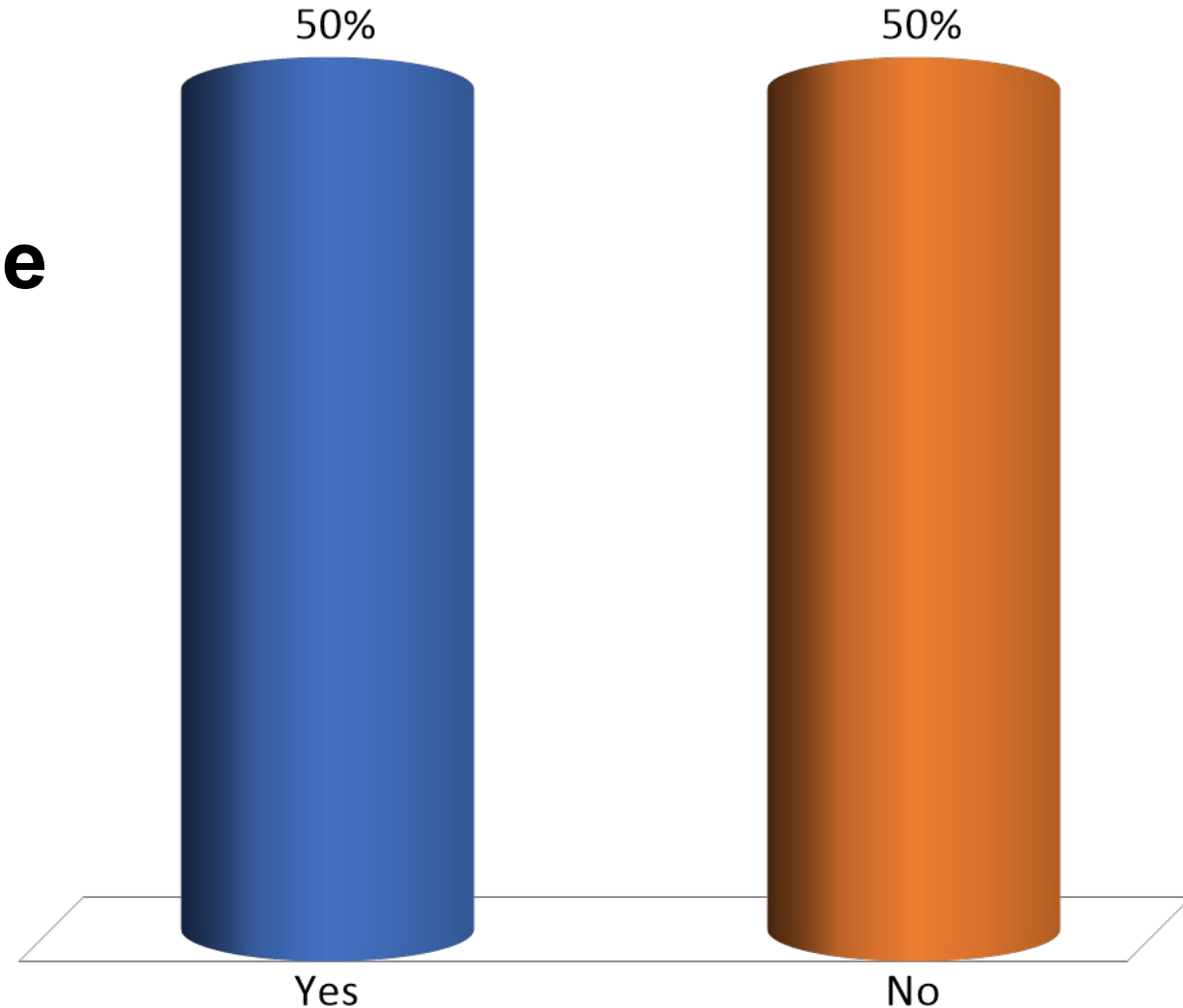
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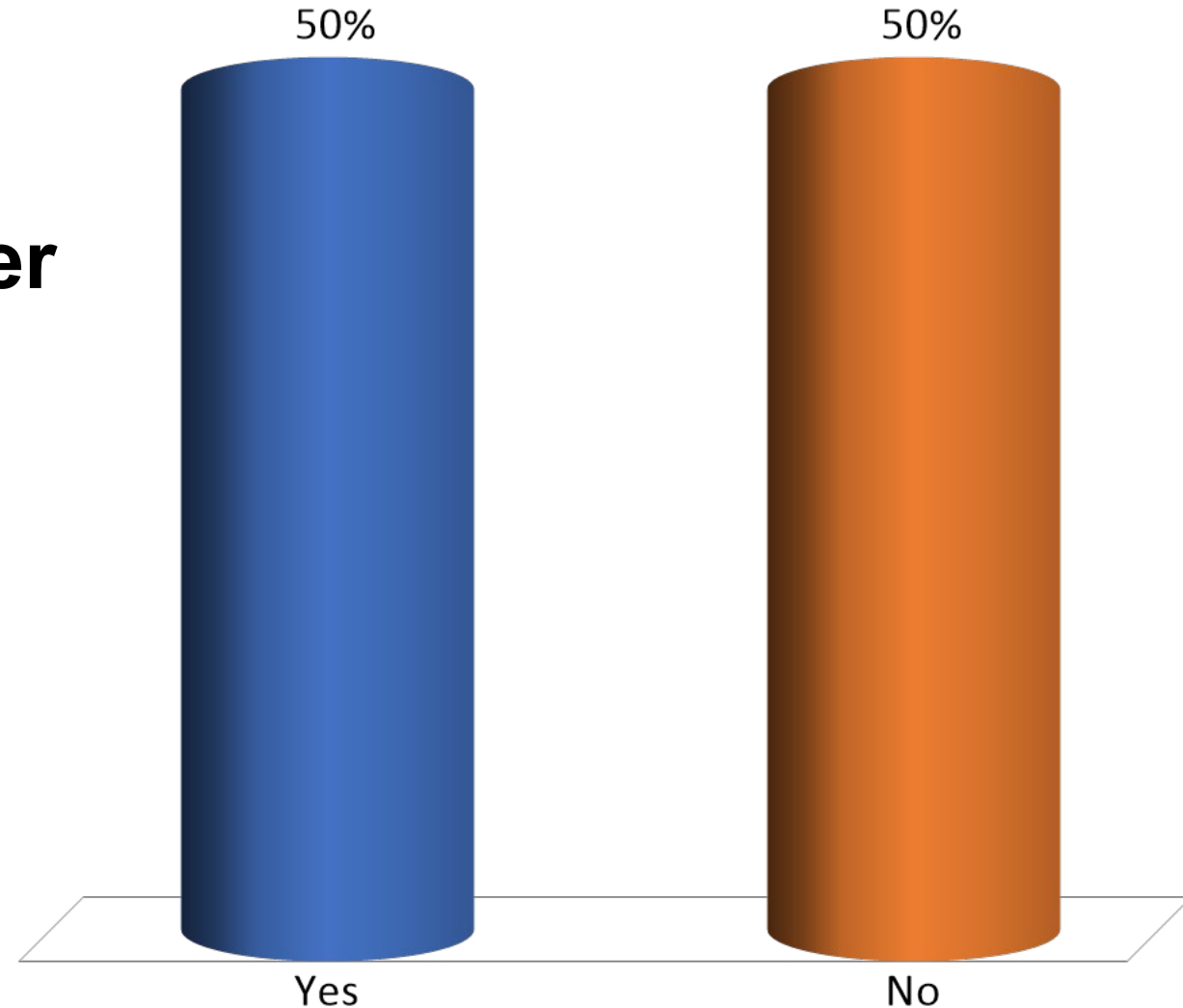
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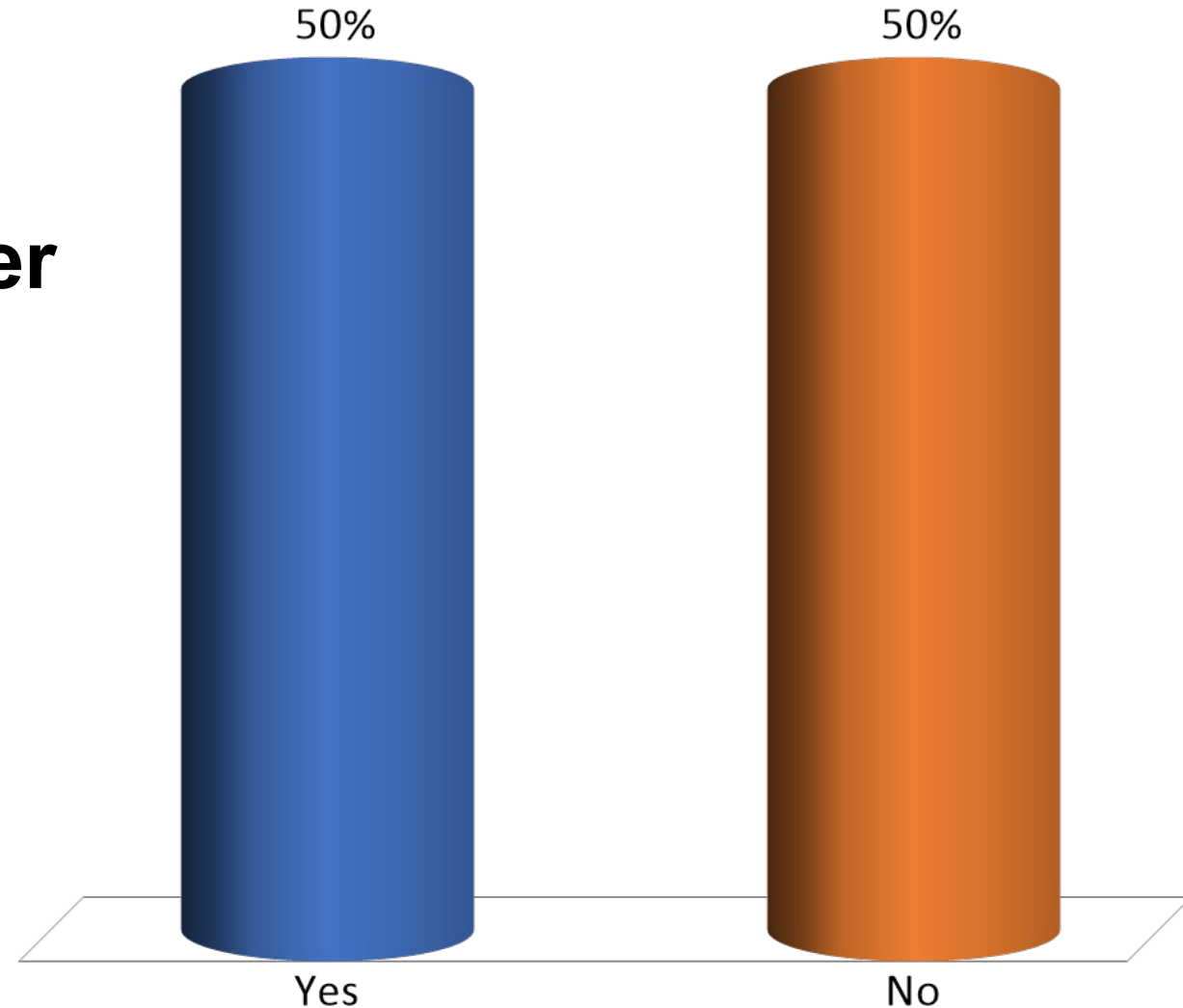
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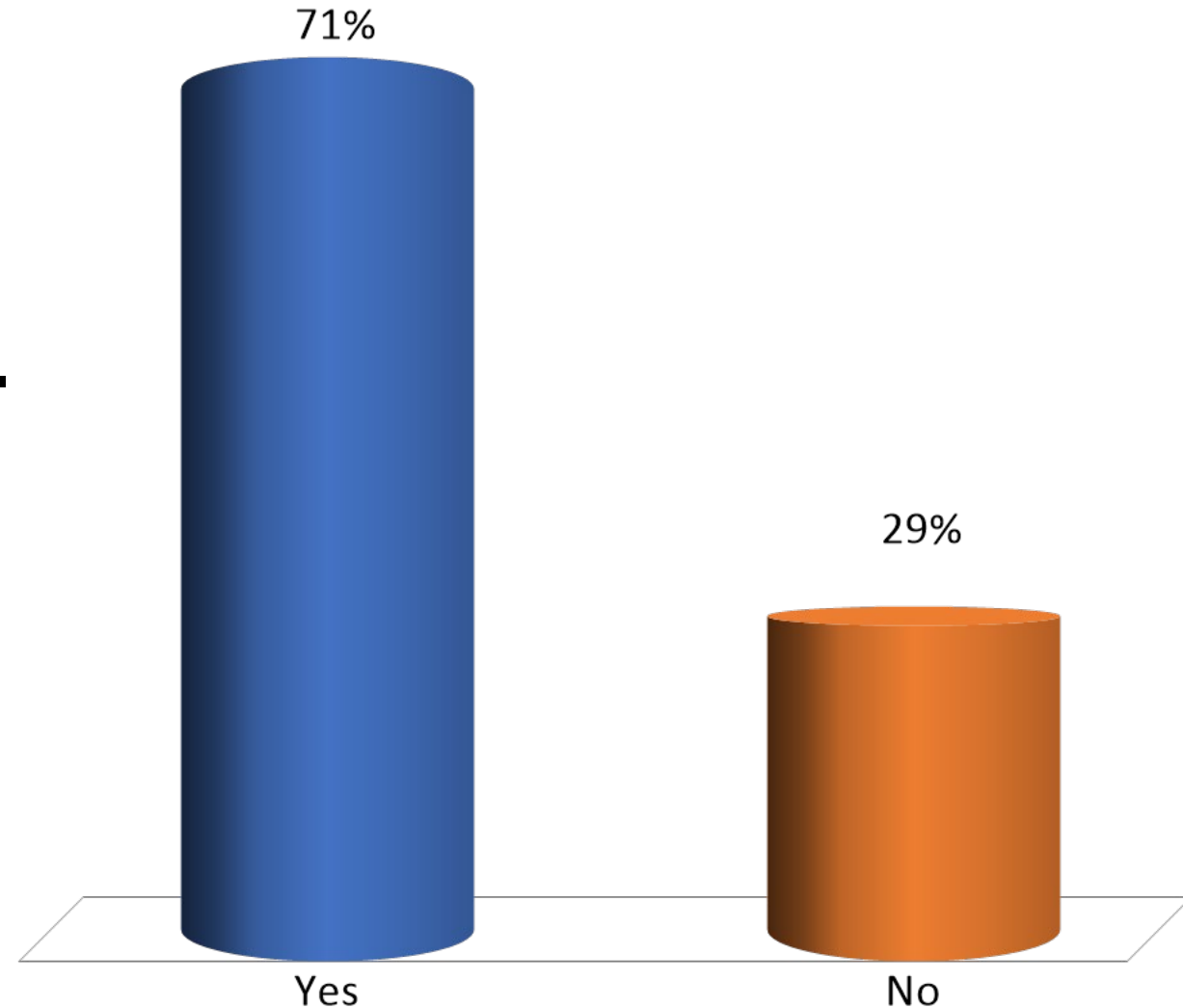
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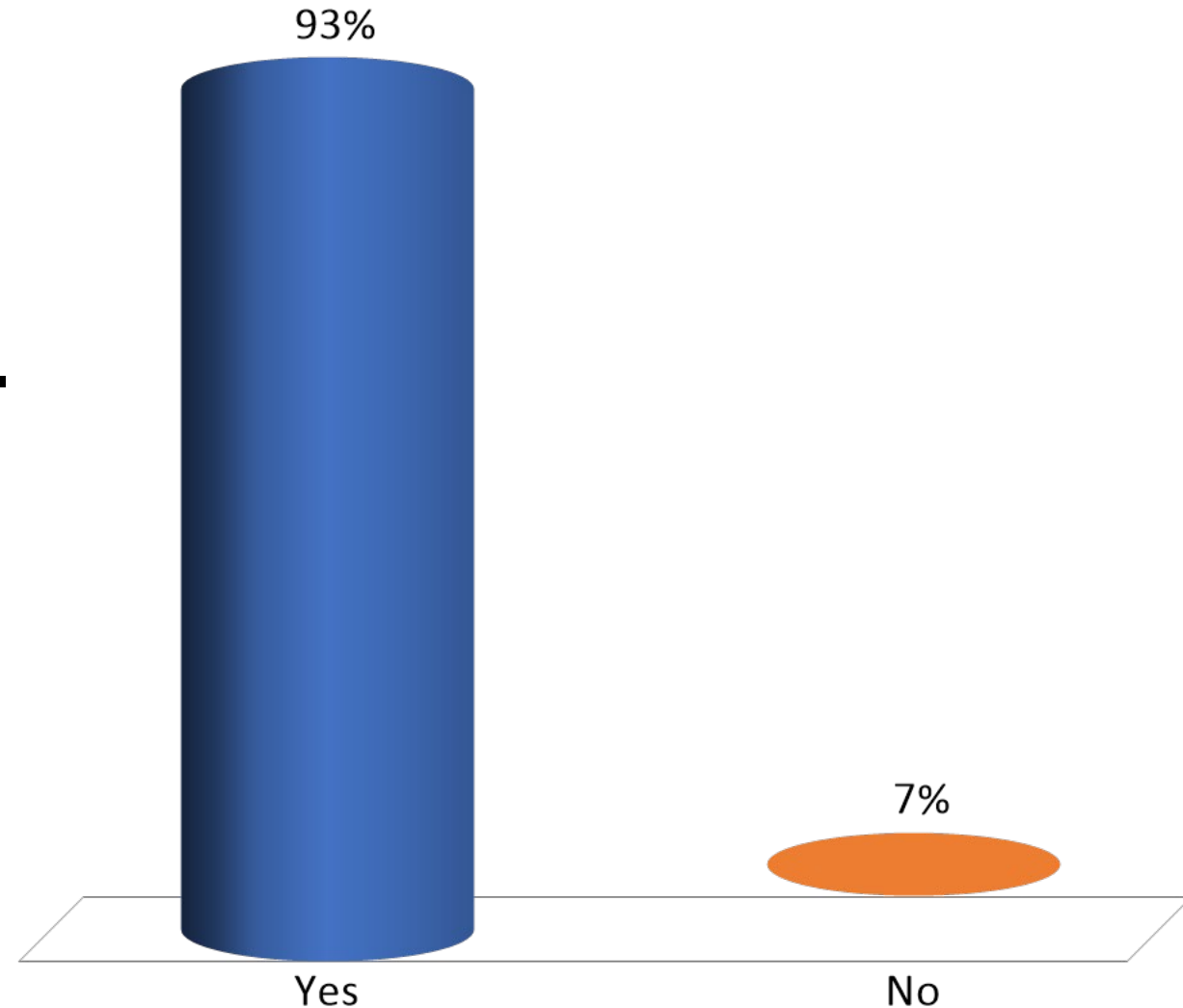
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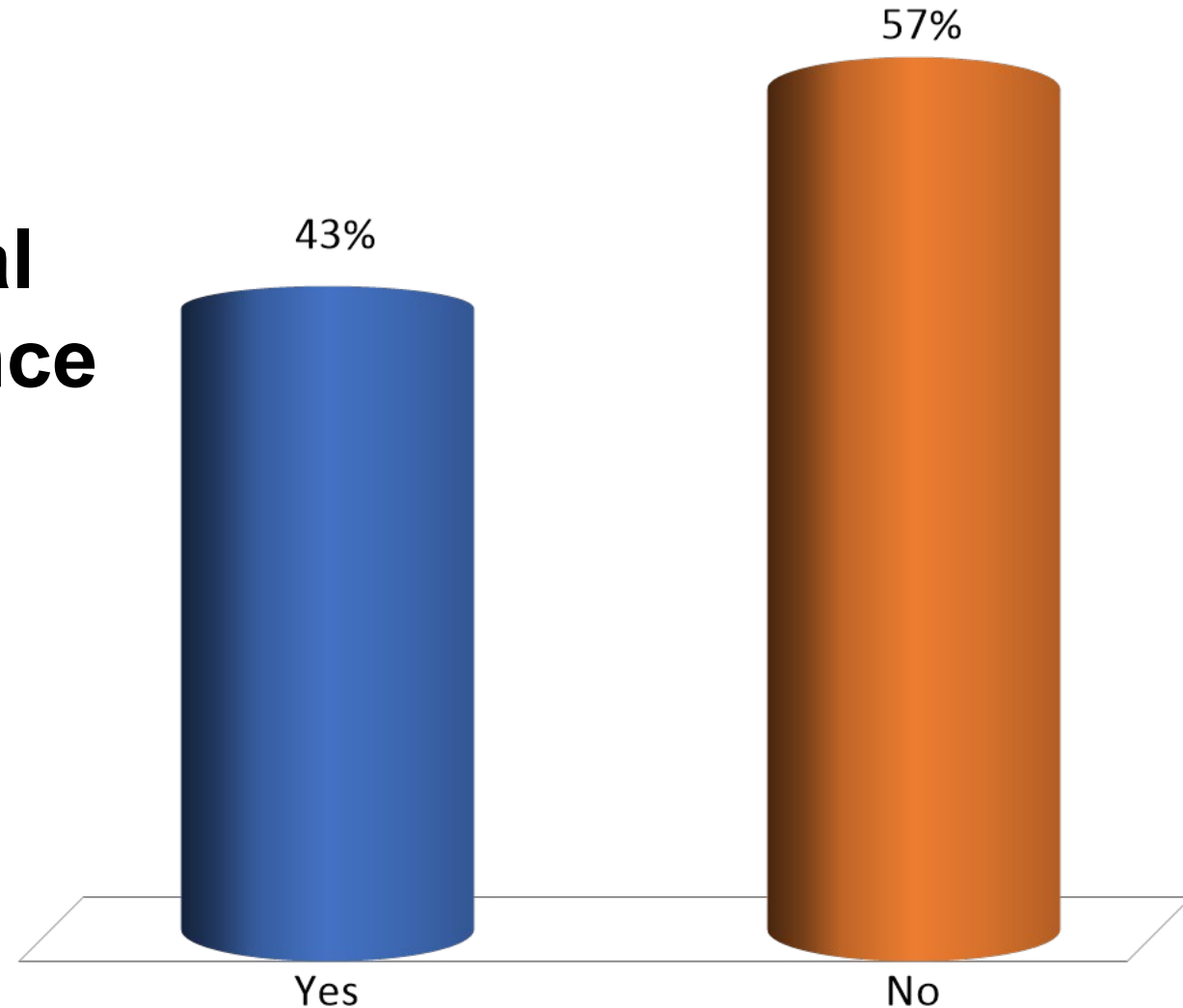
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Goal 5: Continue to develop additional landscaping regulations for non-residential development to further enhance the aesthetic qualities of Washington.

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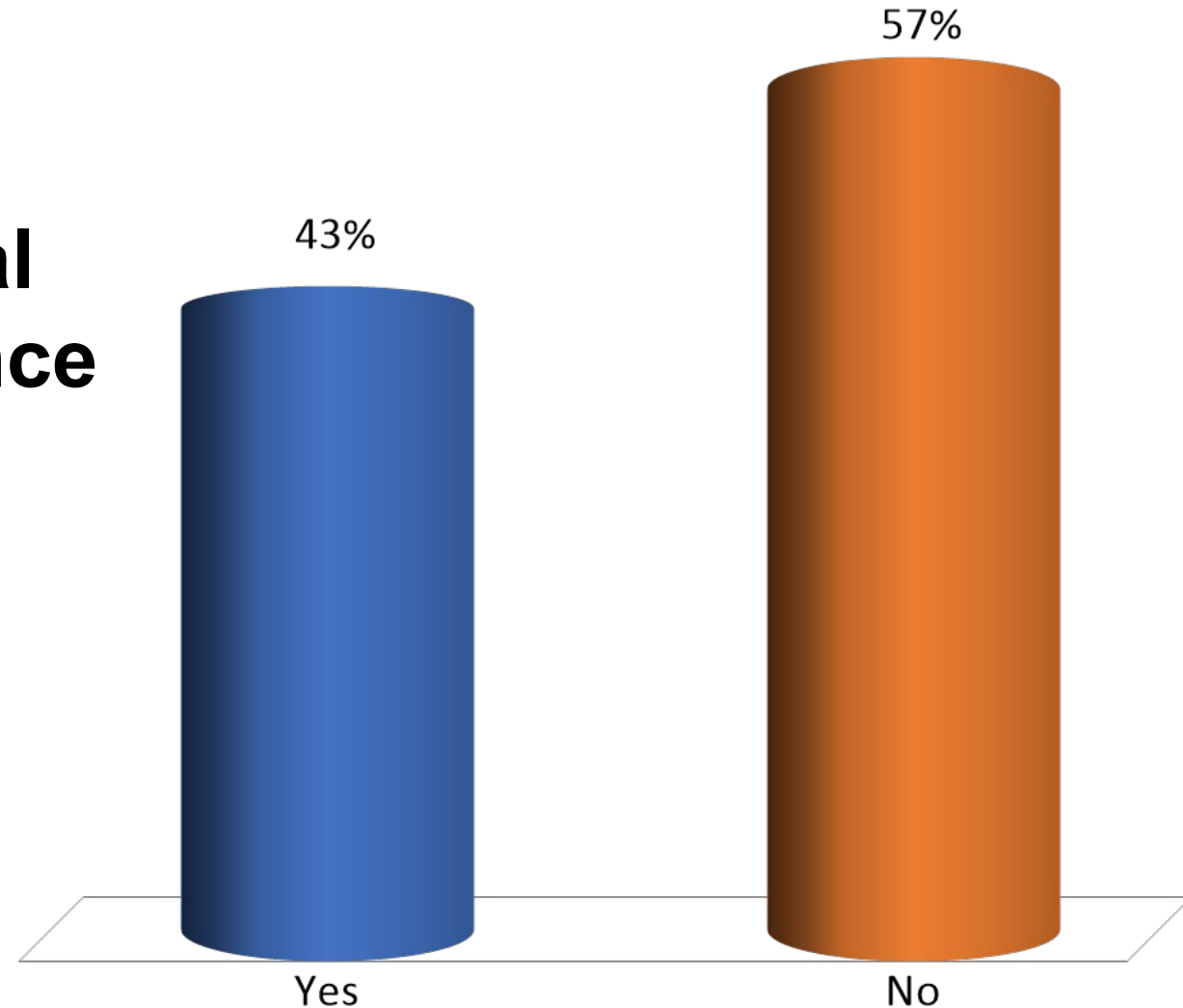
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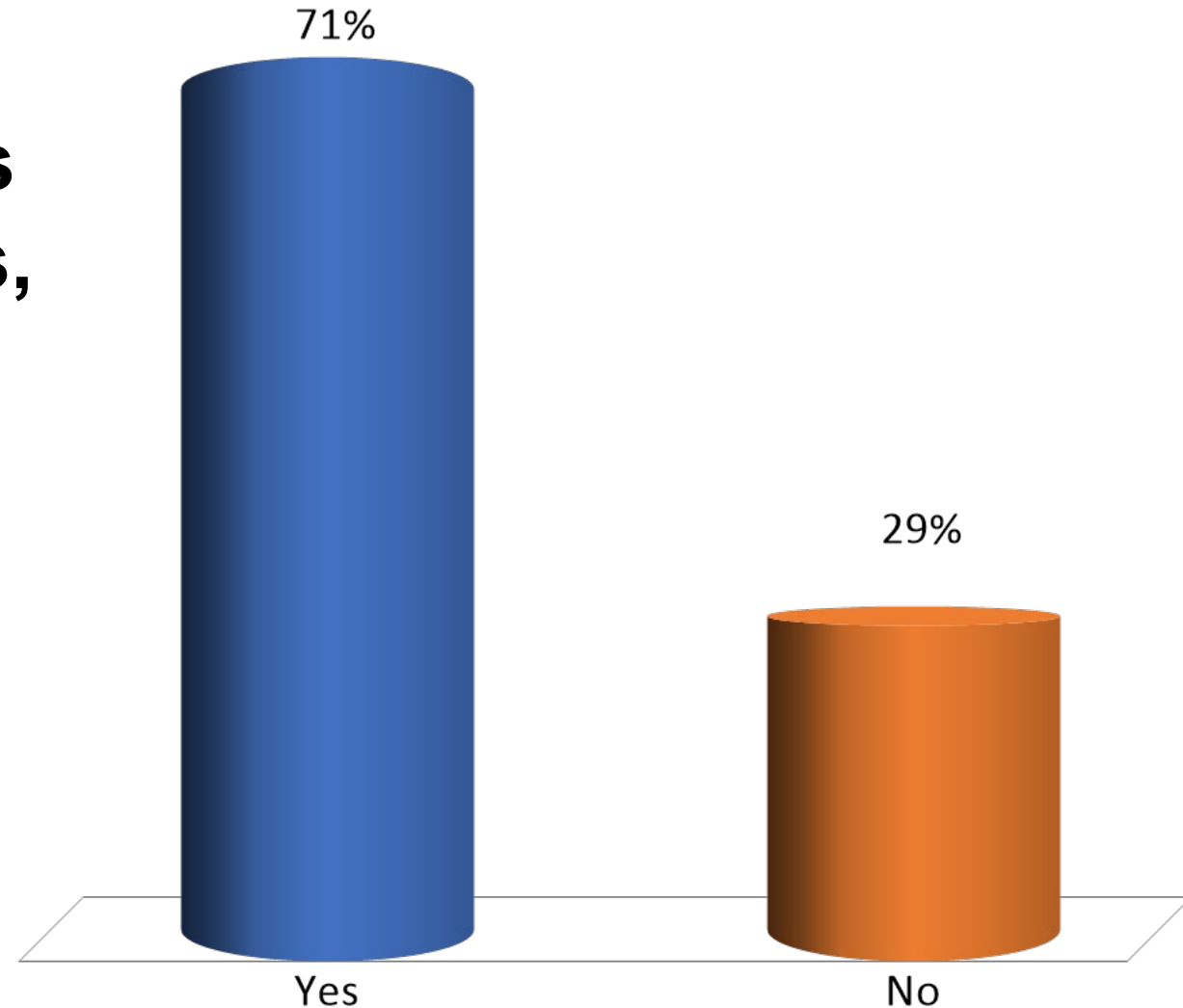
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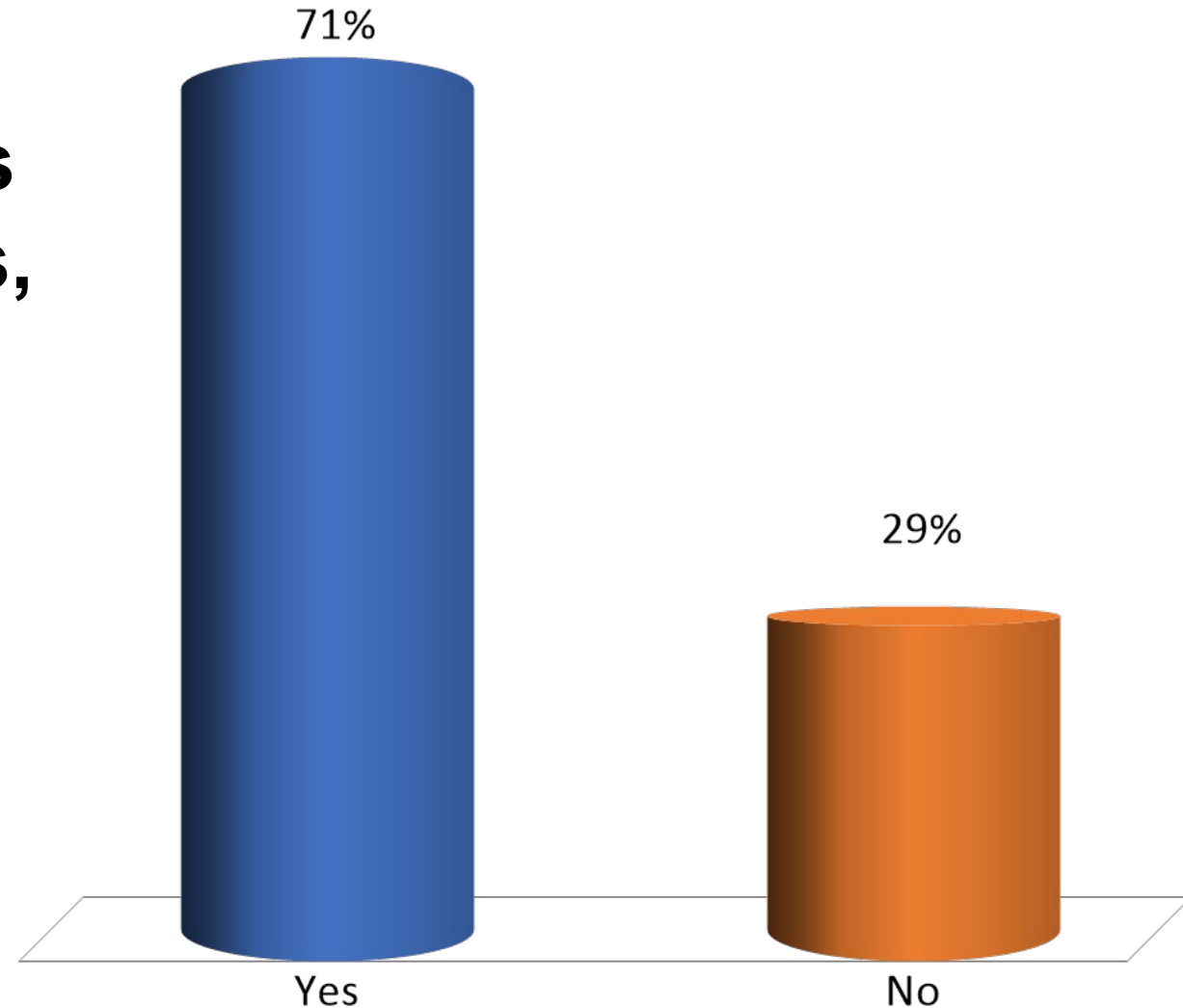
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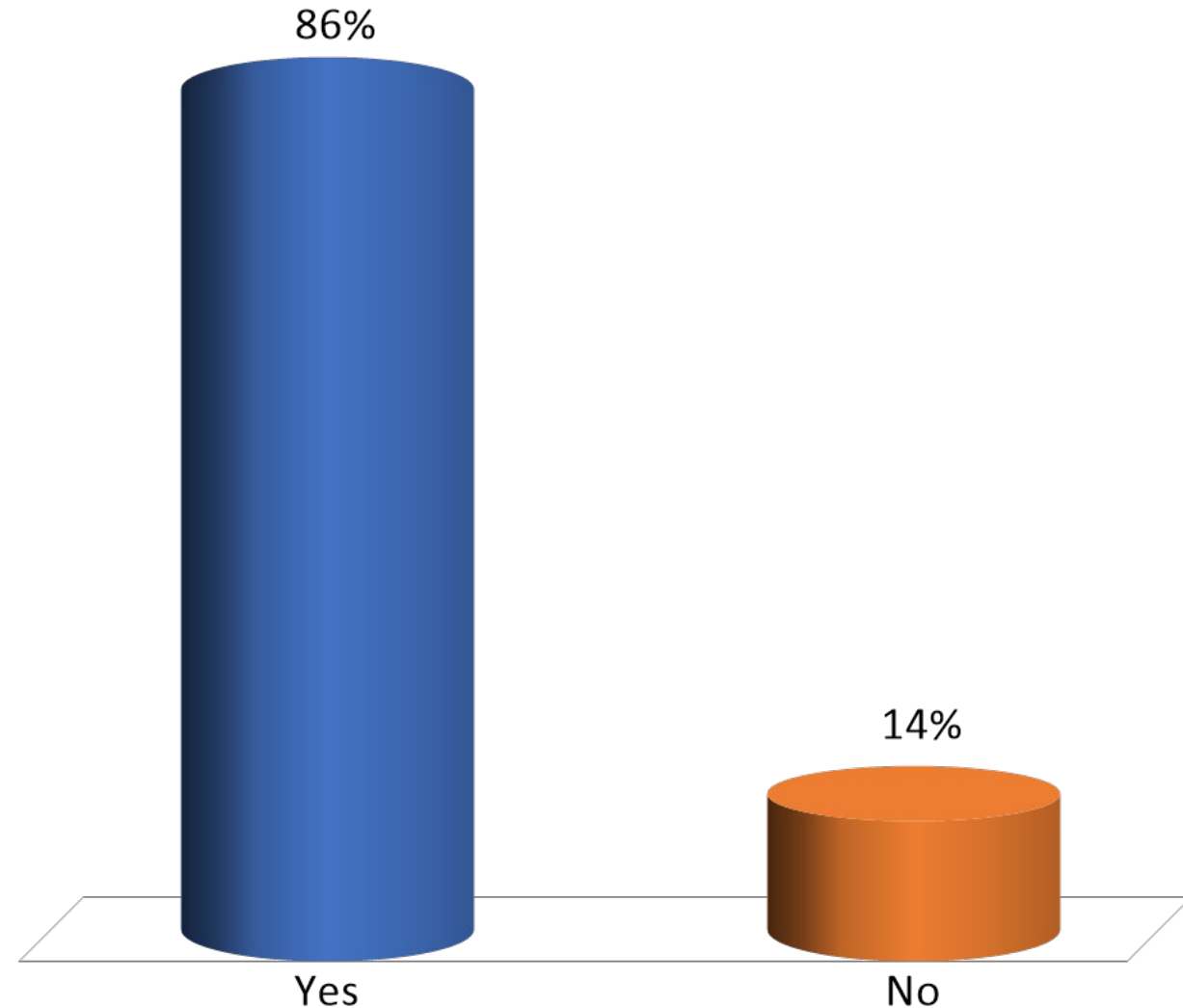
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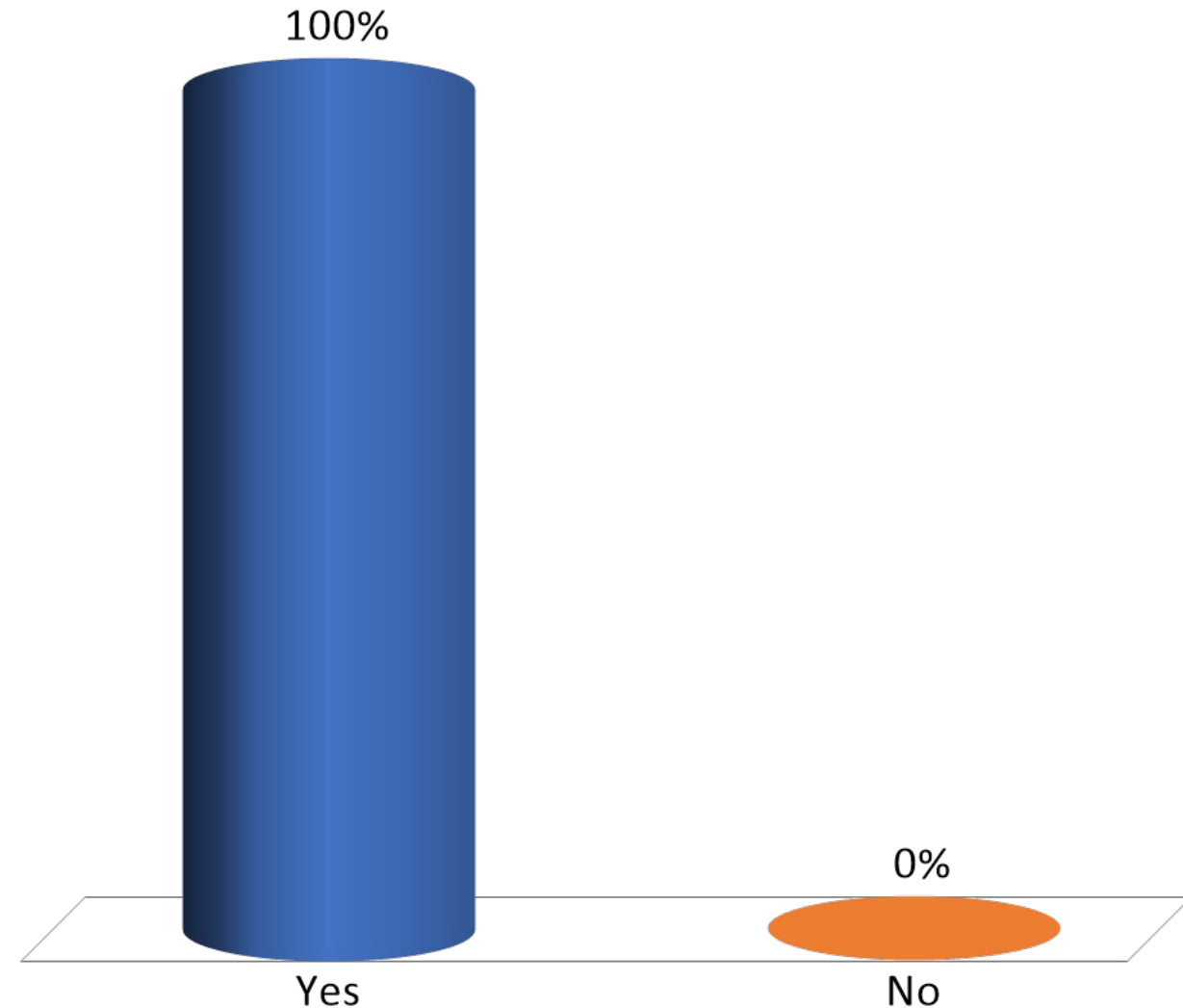
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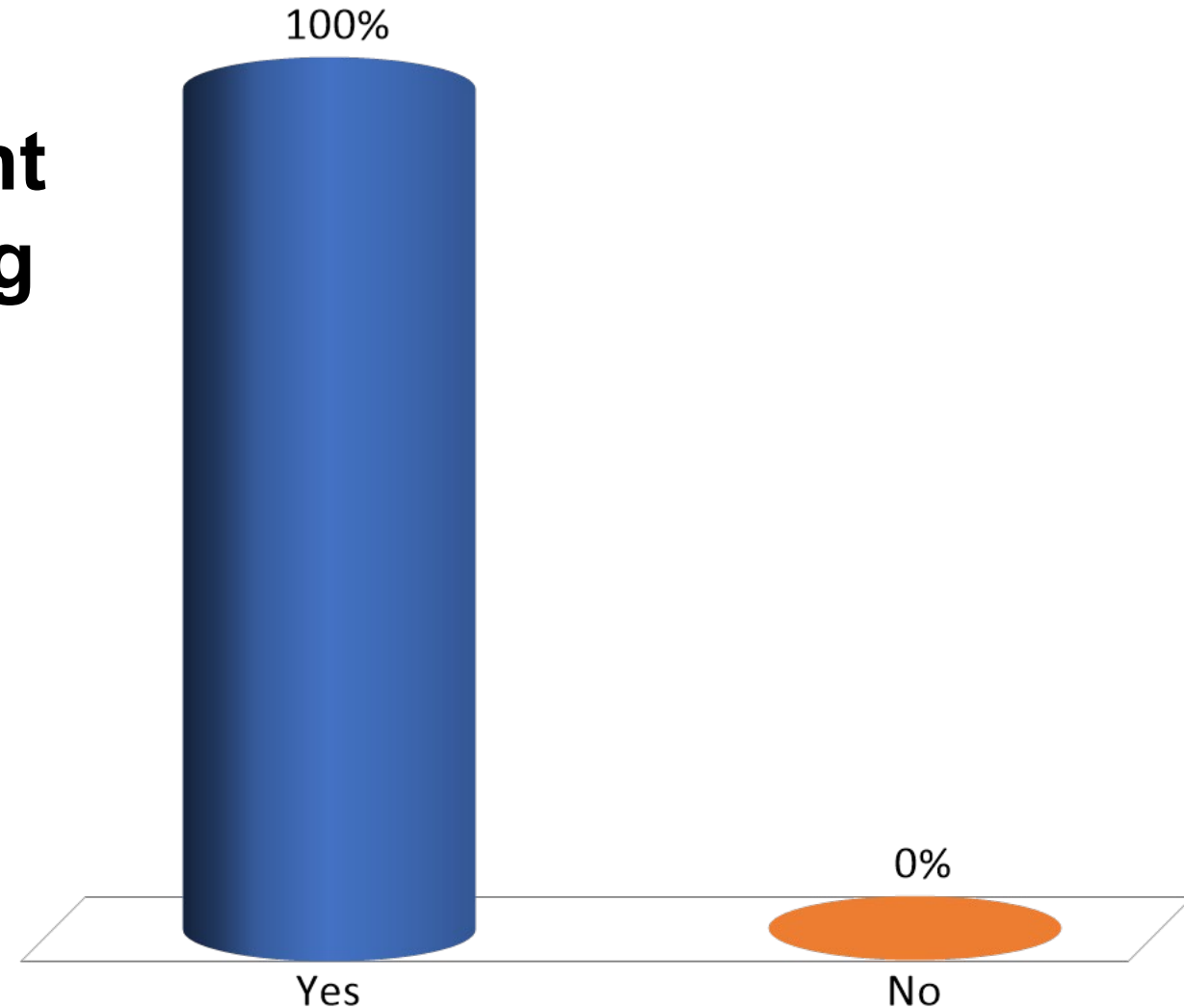
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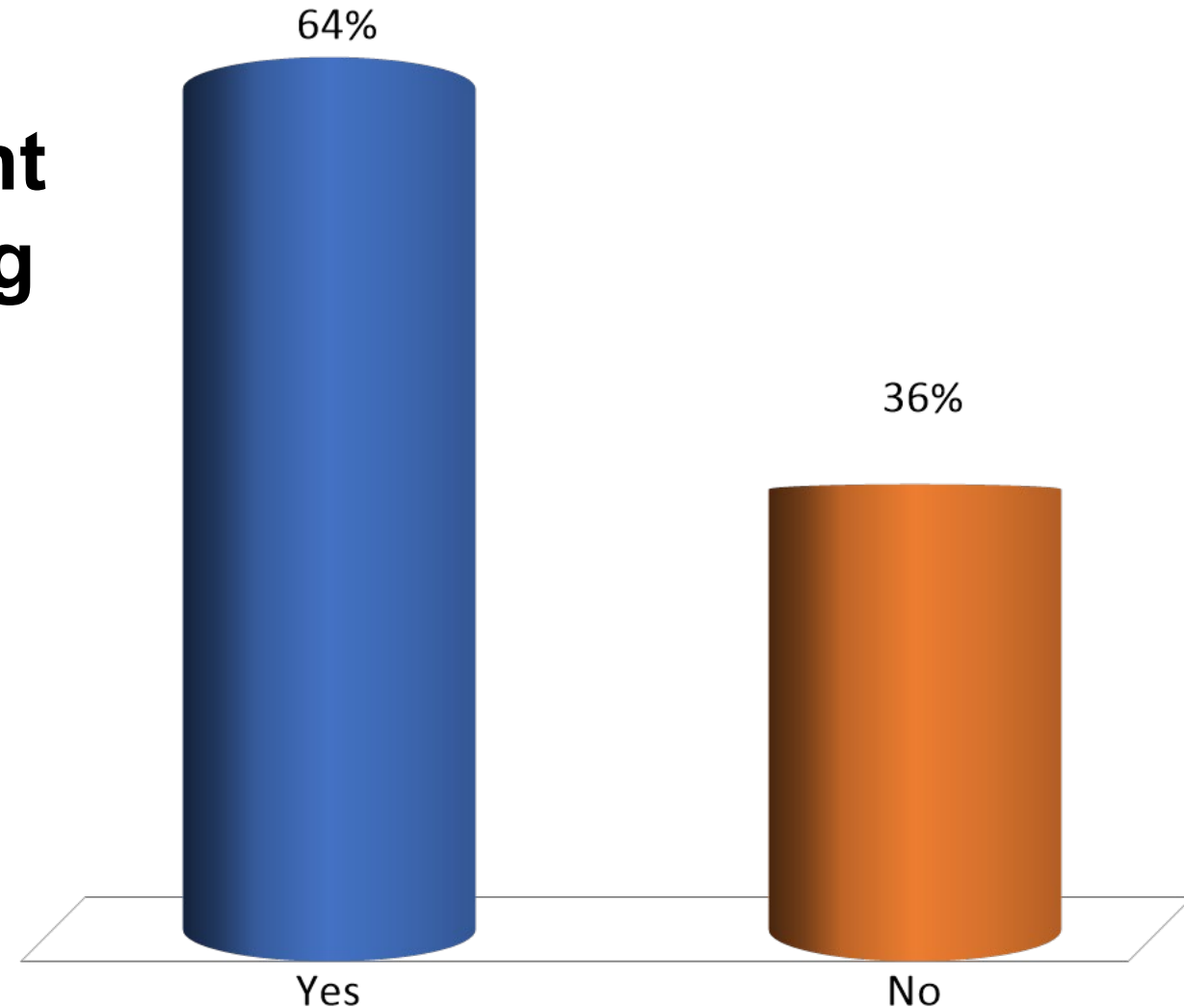
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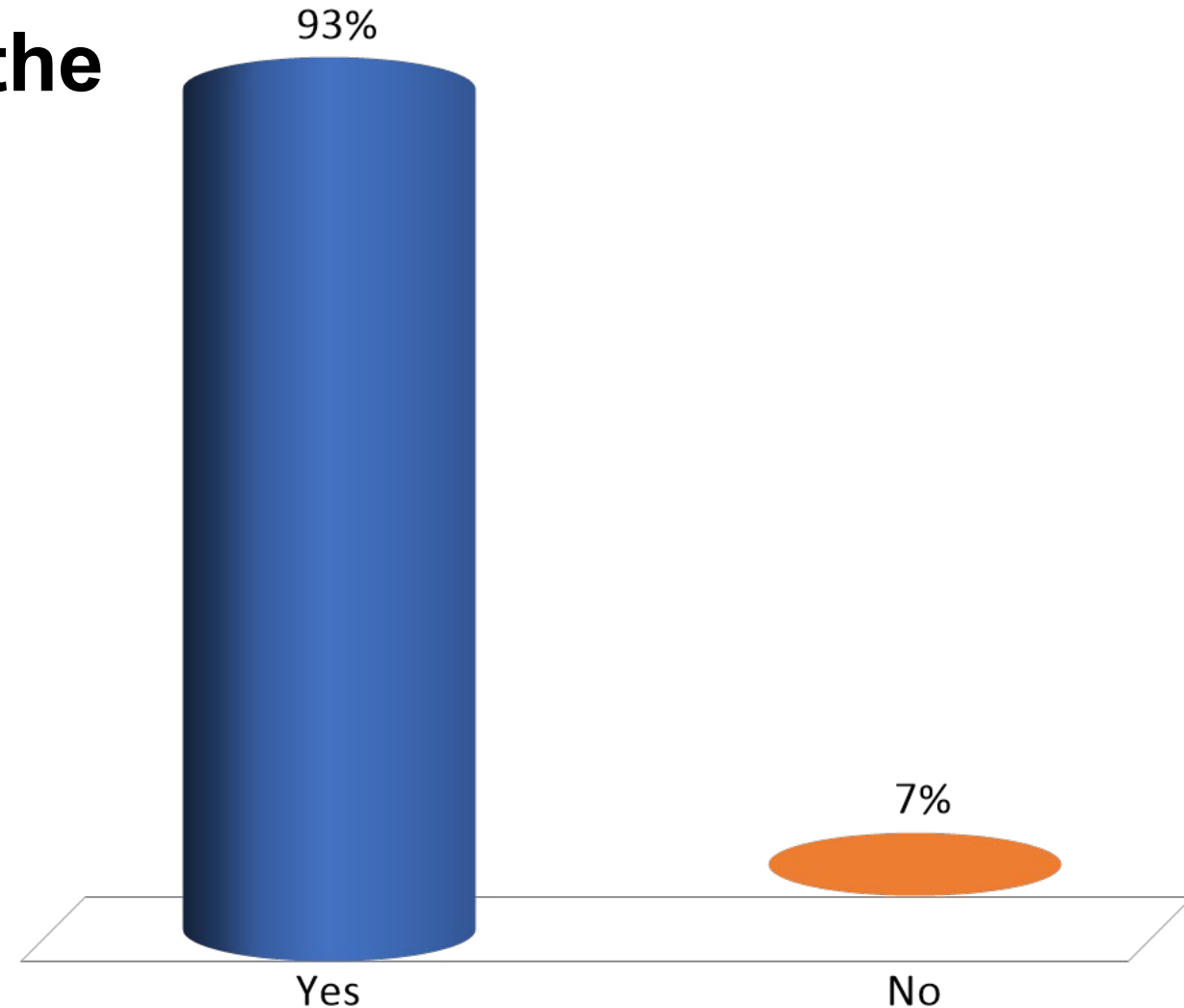
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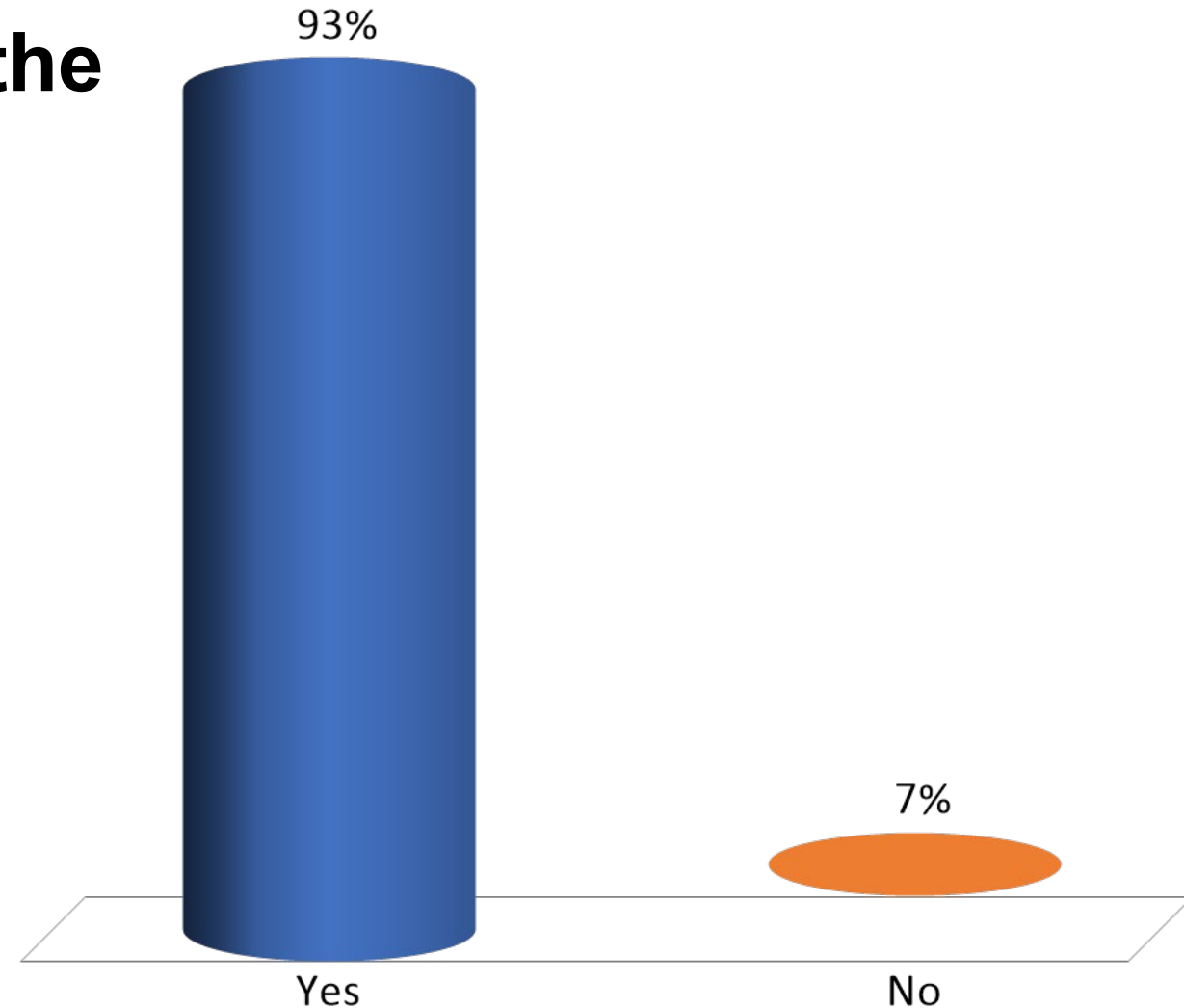
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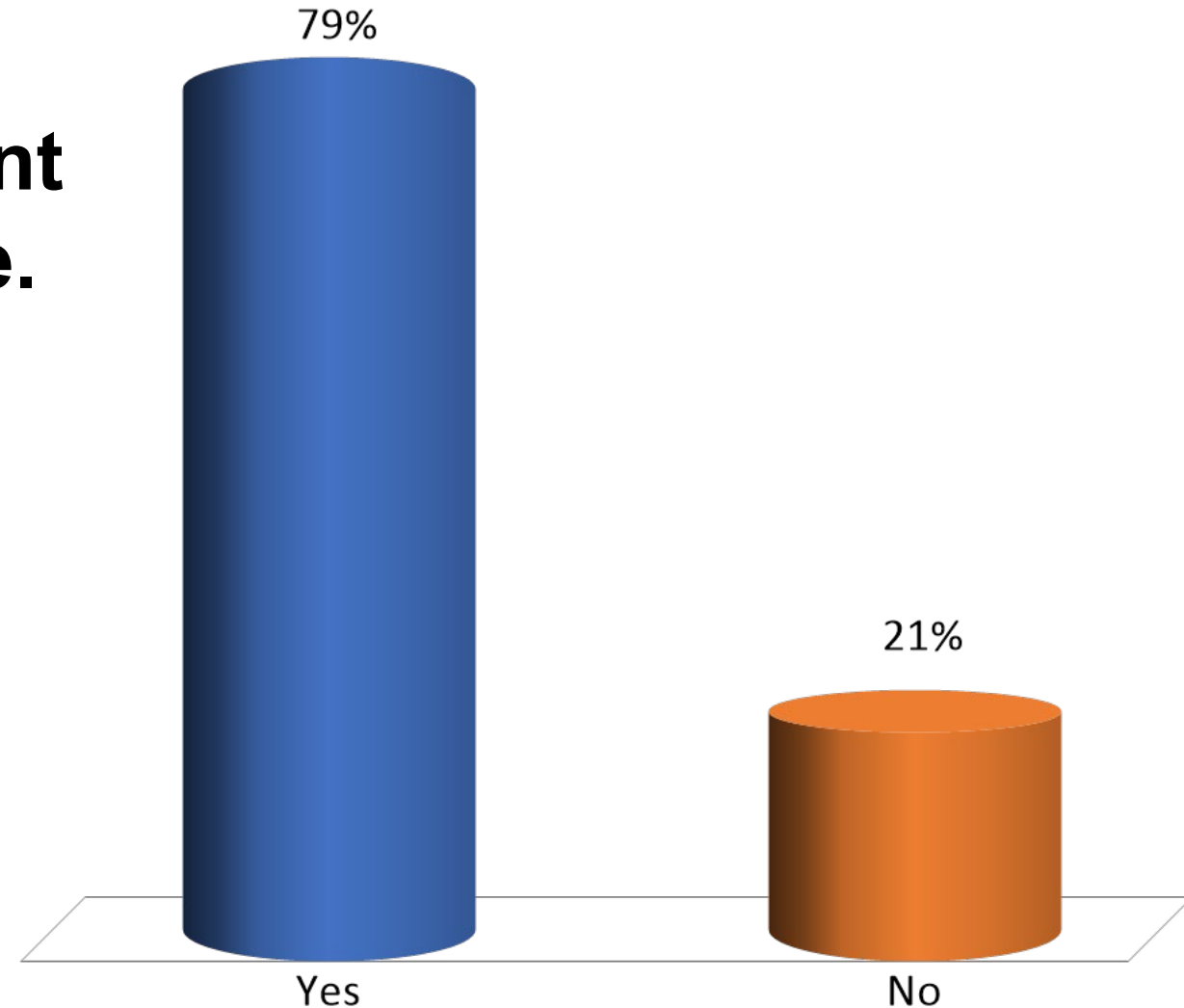
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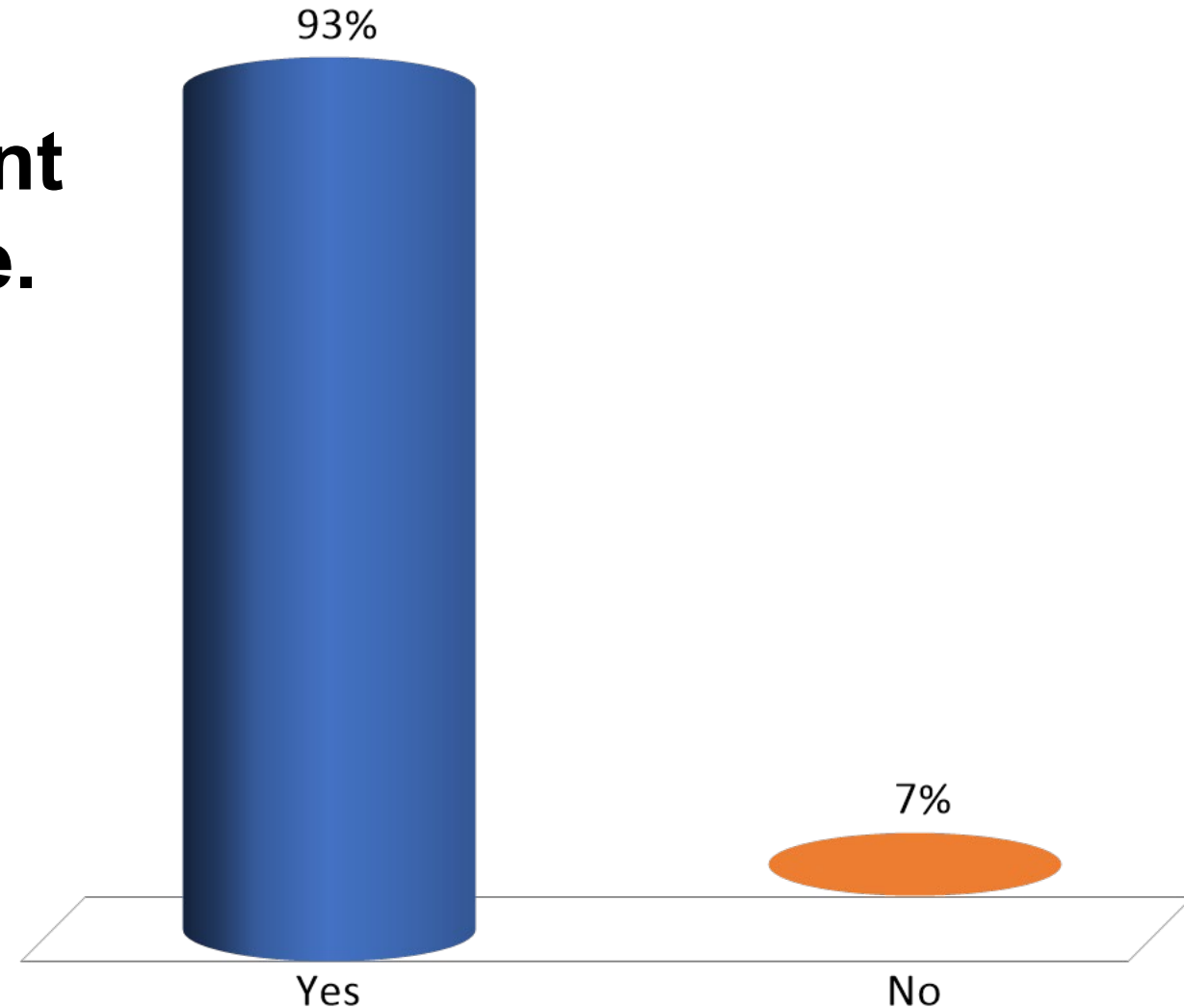
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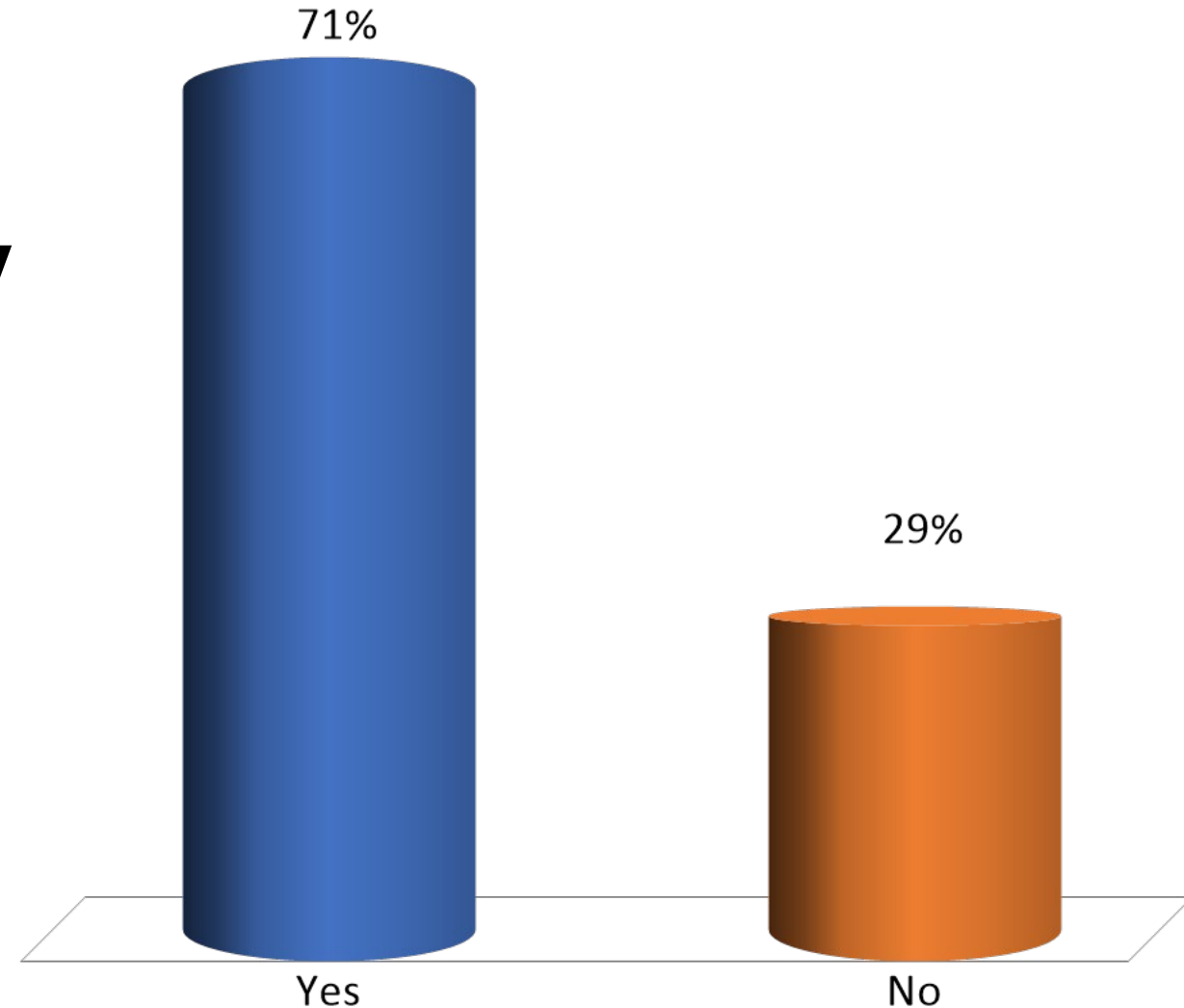
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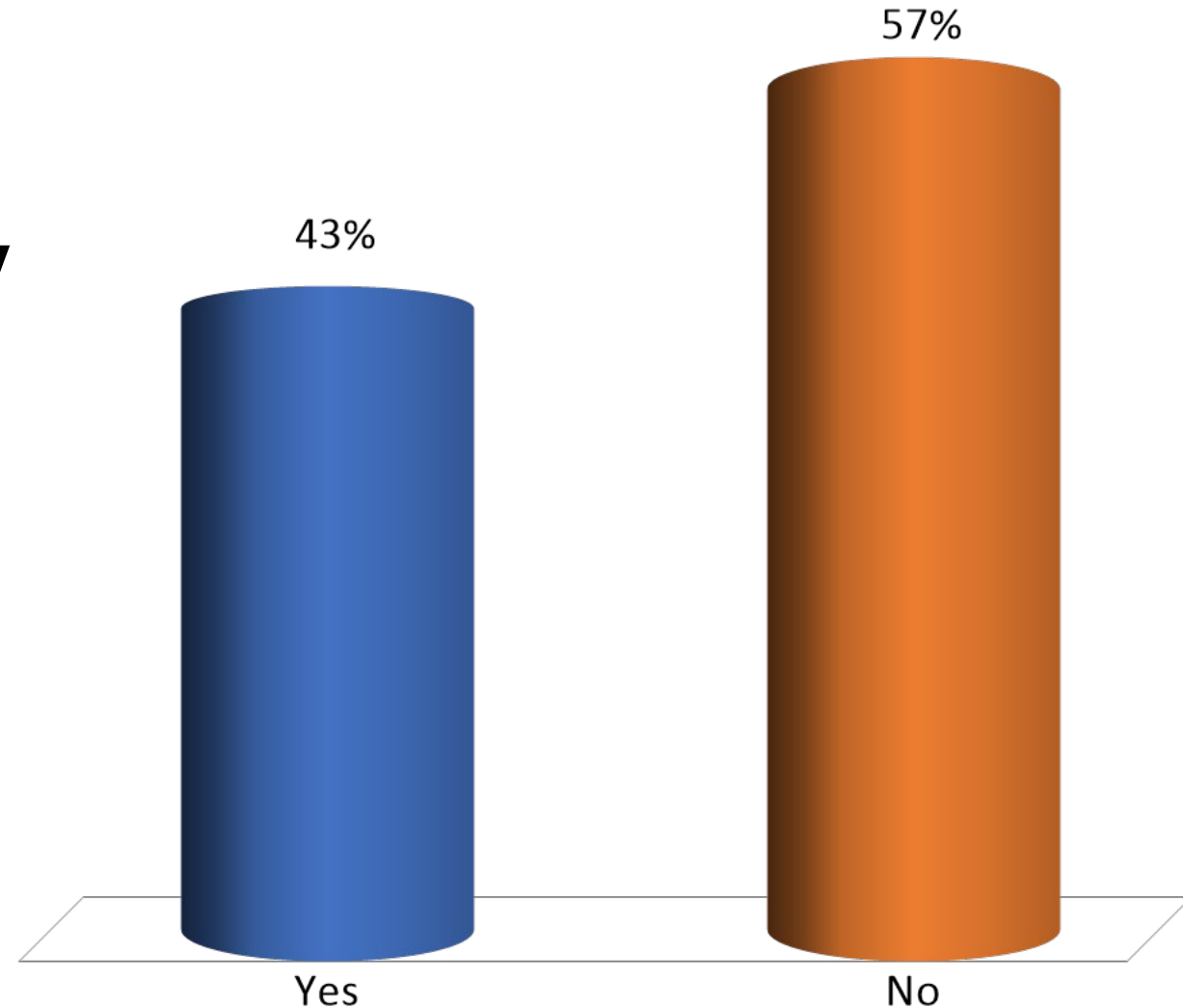
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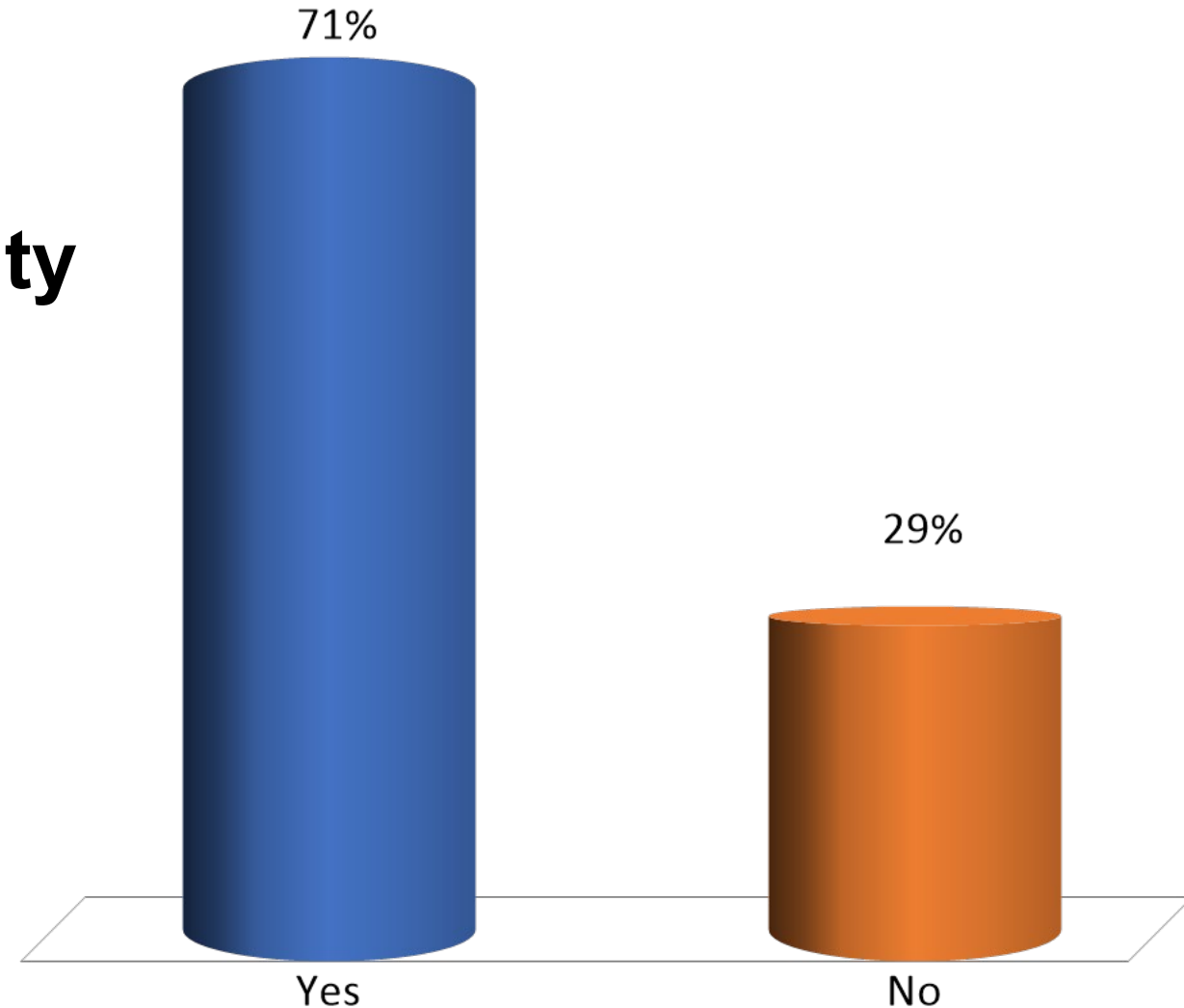
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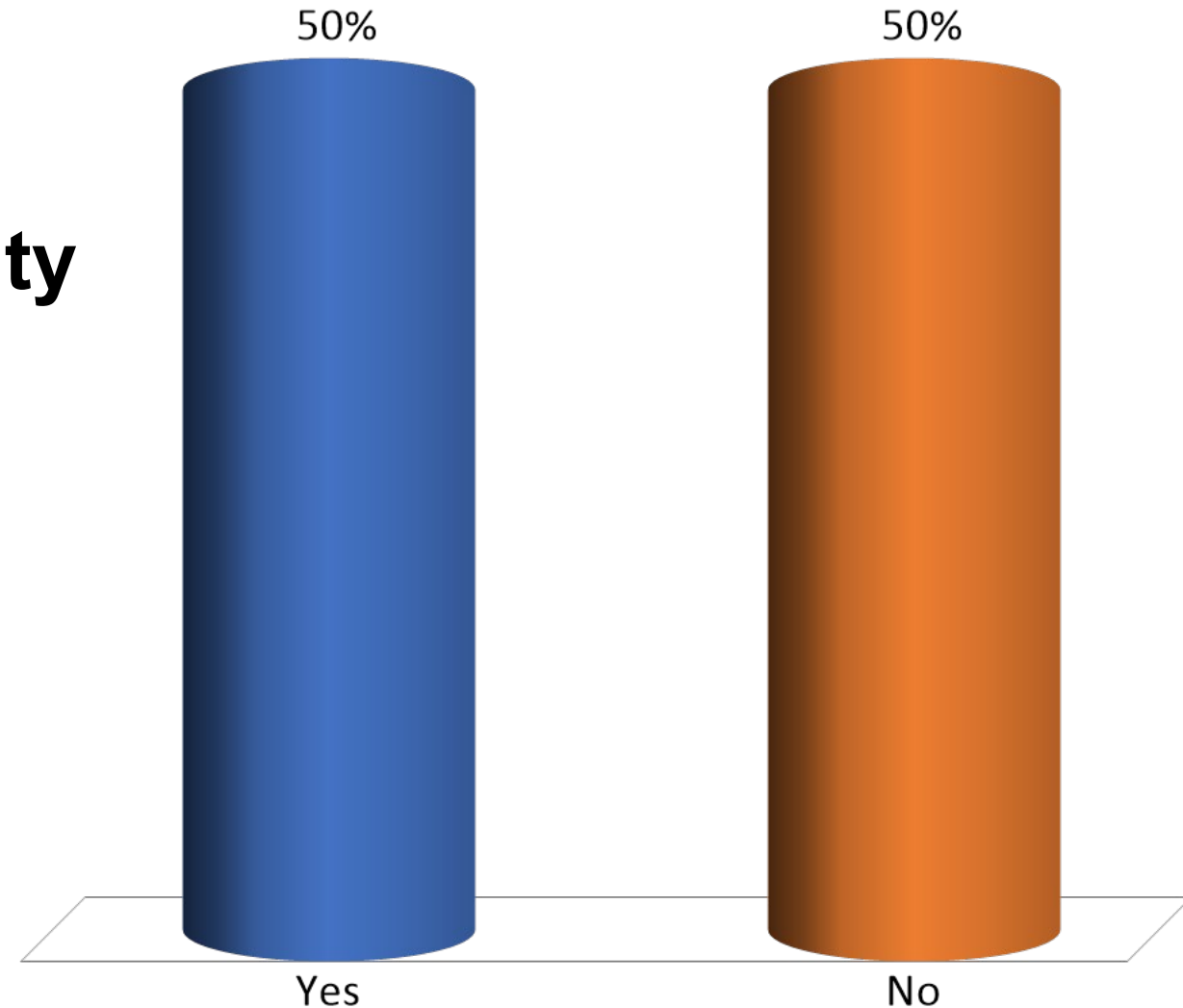
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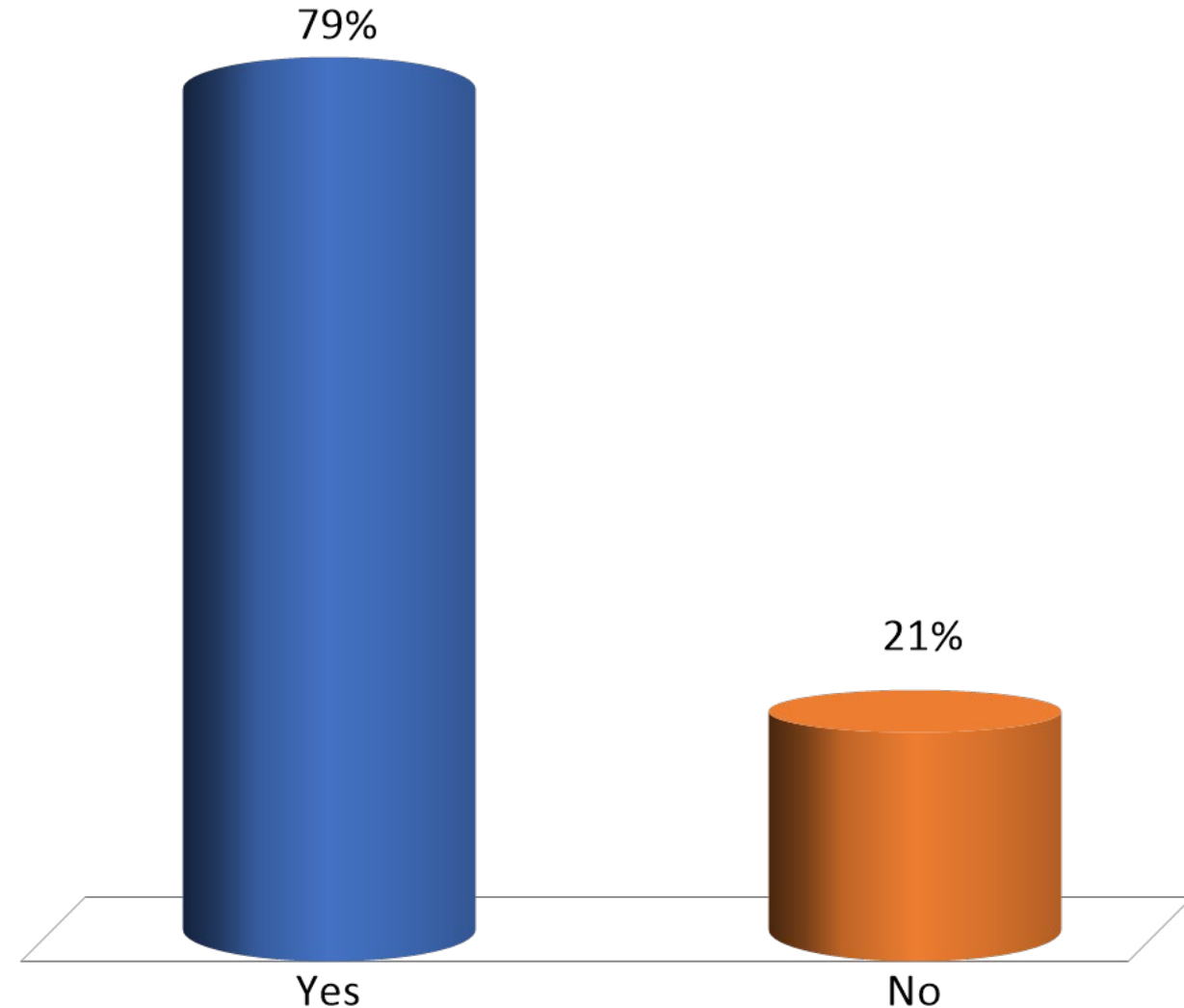
Aesthetics

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Goal 6: Incorporate visual enhancement strategies throughout the City of Washington.

A. Yes

B. No



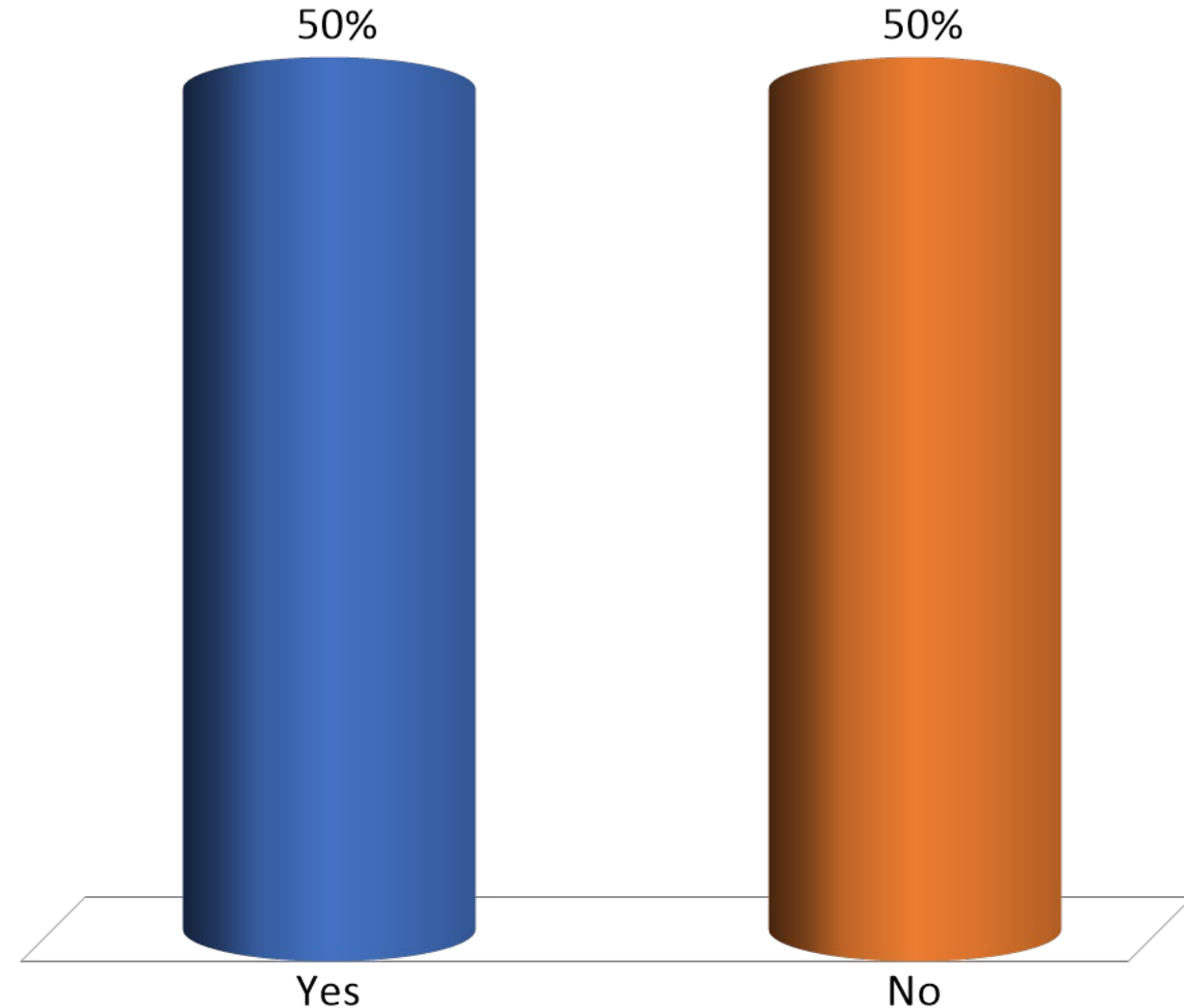
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Focus Topic Area:

Land Use

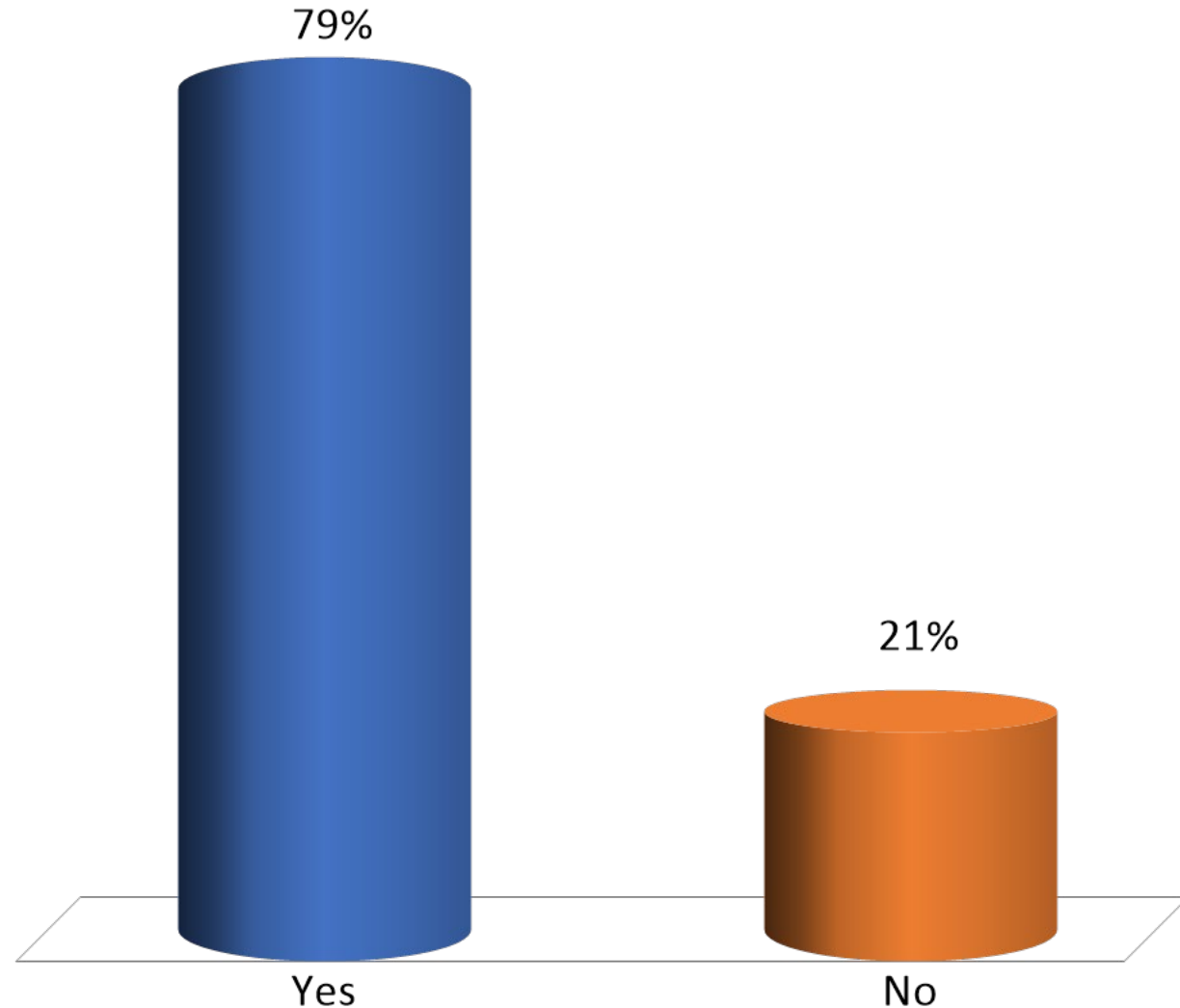
Land Use

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Goal 1: Create provisions to encourage entry-level residences within the community.

A. Yes

B. No



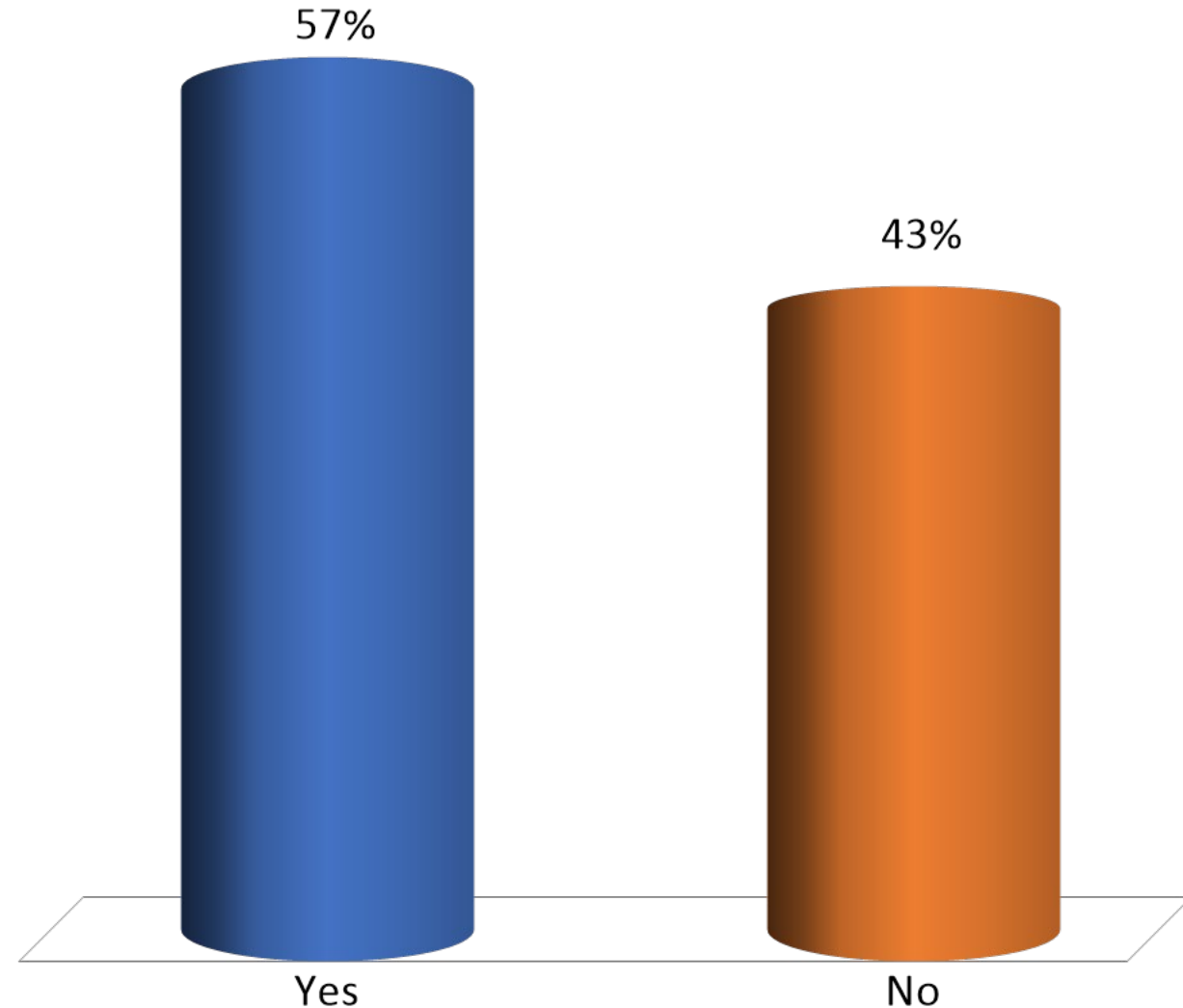
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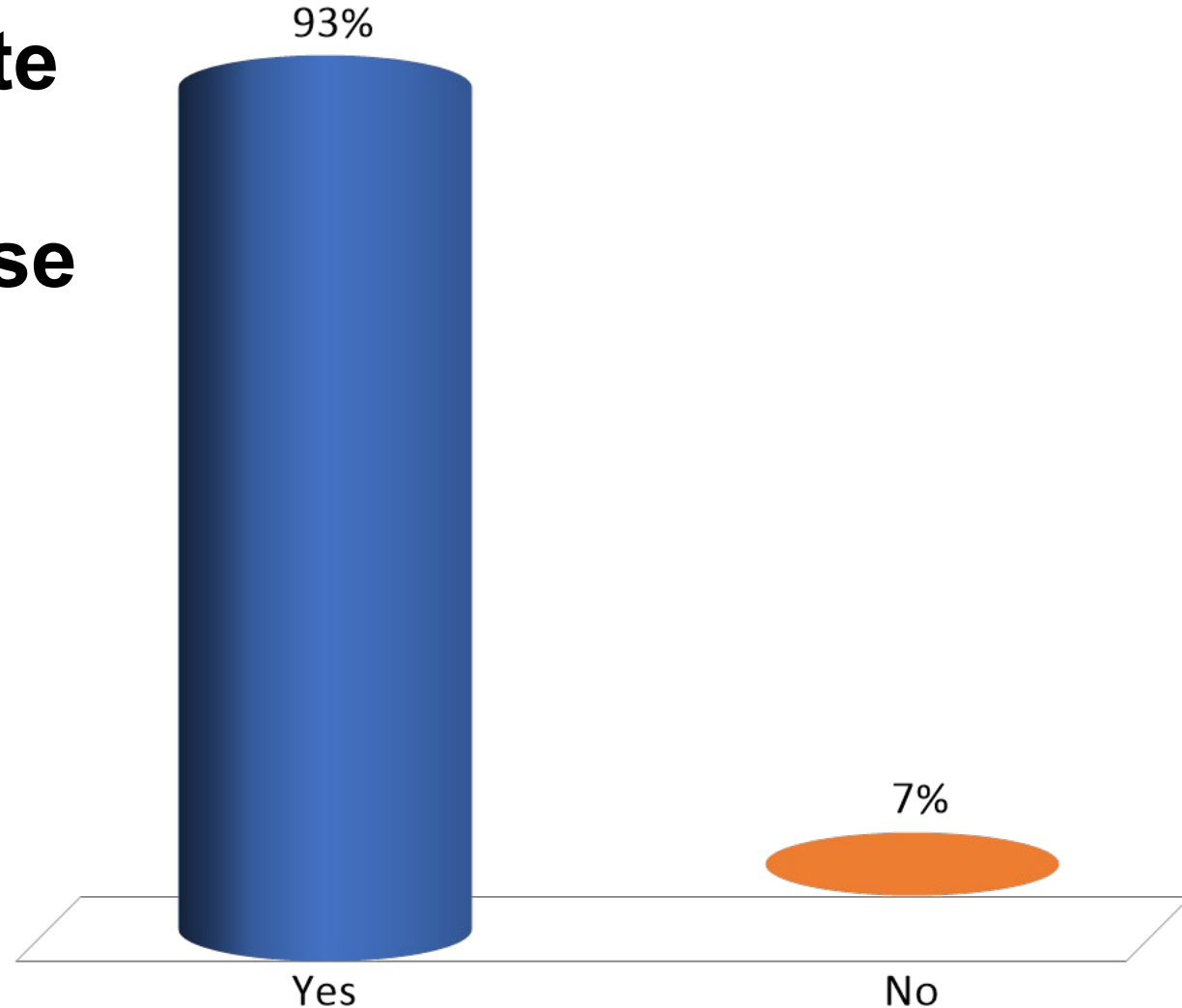
Land Use

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Goal 2: Maintain an appropriate balance in the amount and placement of principal land-use categories (open space, residential, commercial, industrial, and office).

A. Yes

B. No



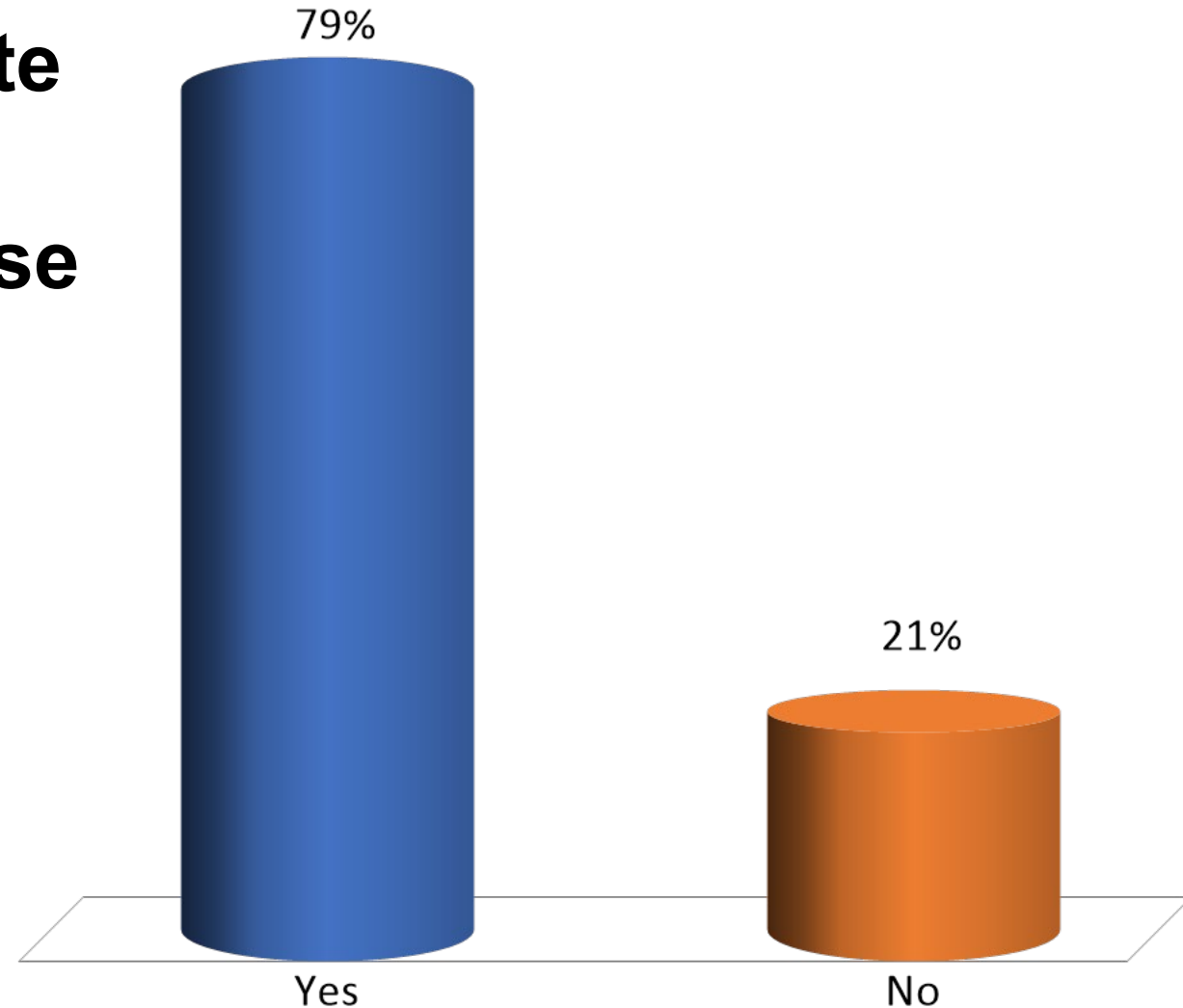
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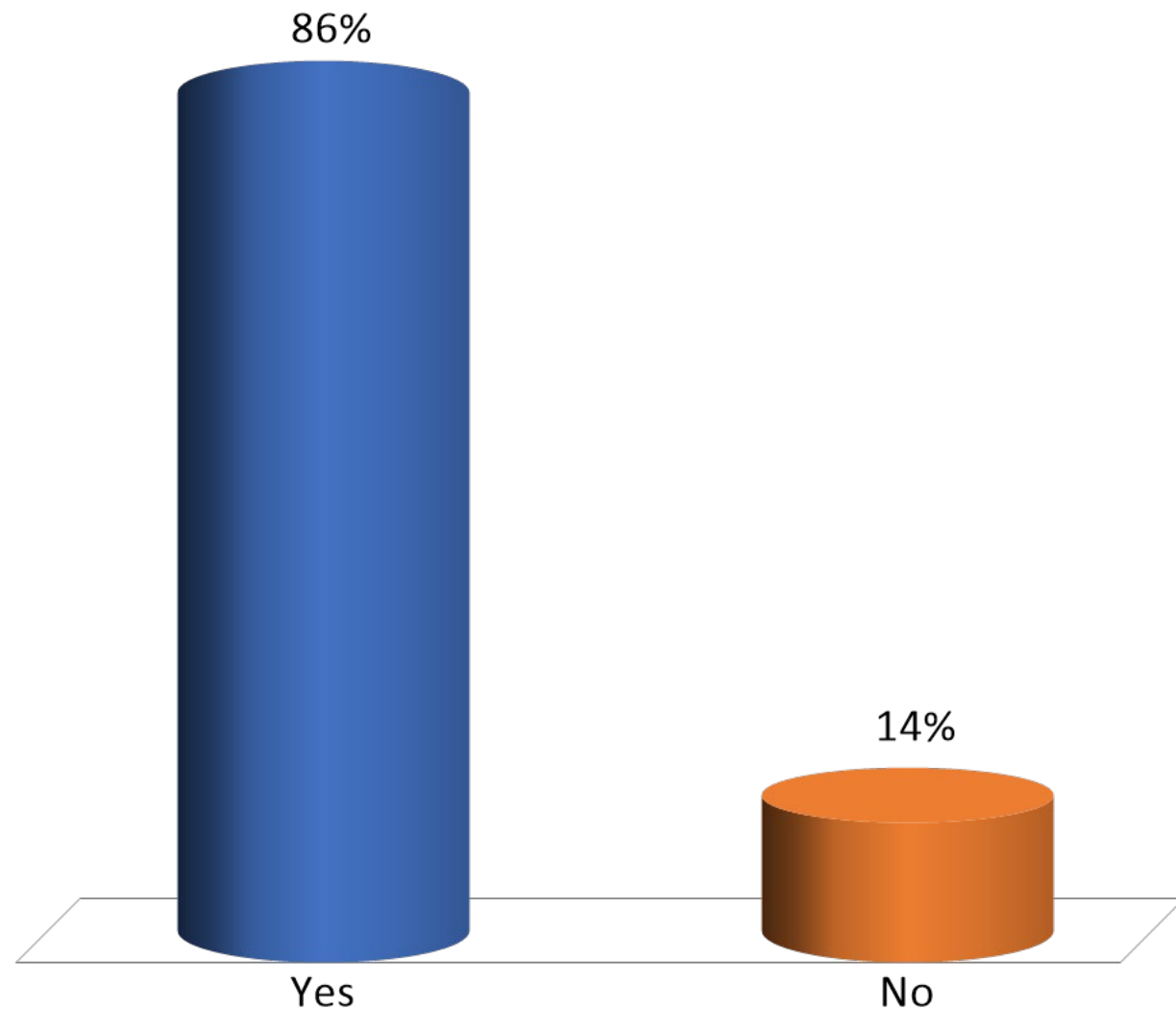
Land Use

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Goal 3: Develop strategies to strengthen and support Downtown Washington.

A. Yes

B. No



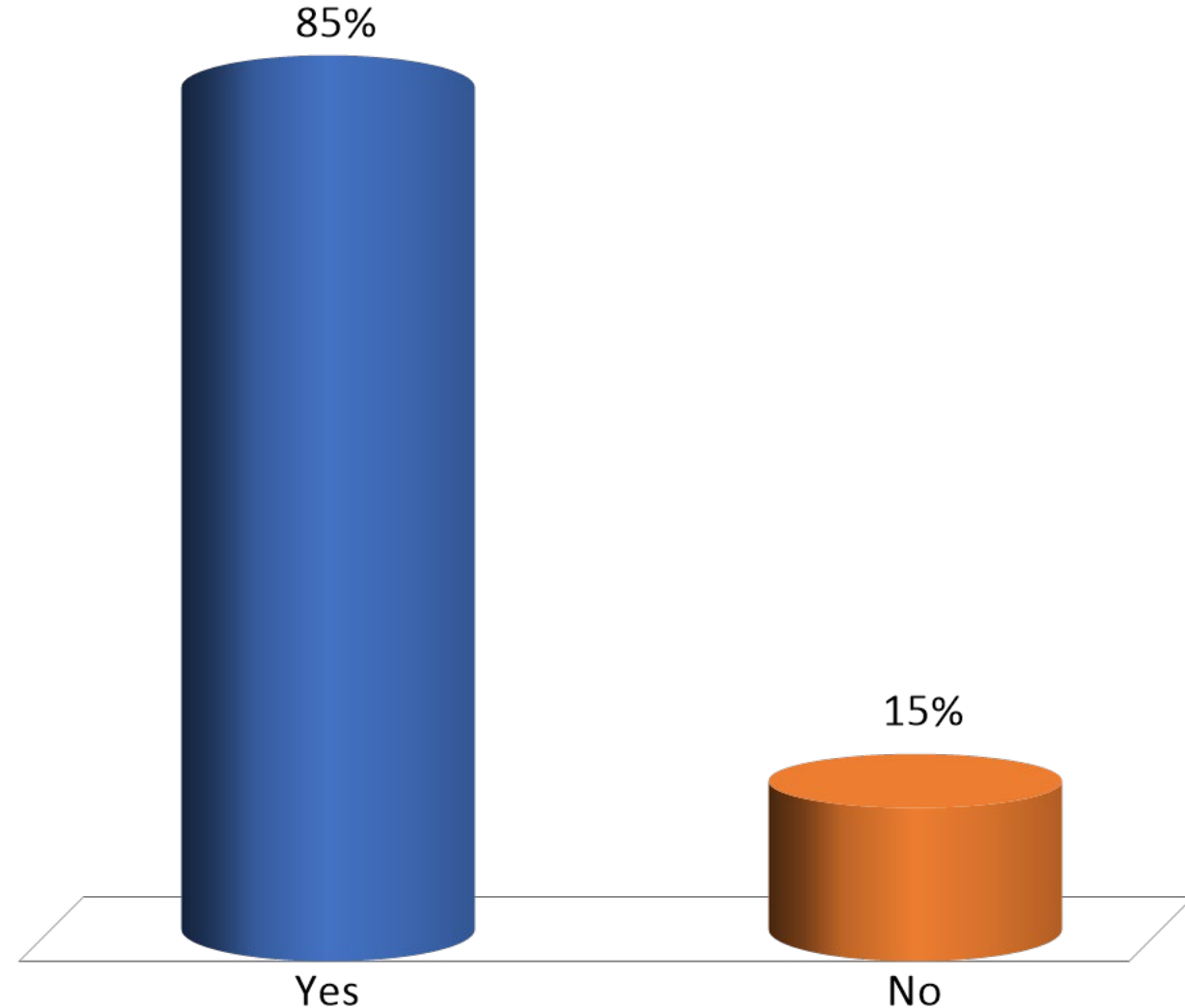
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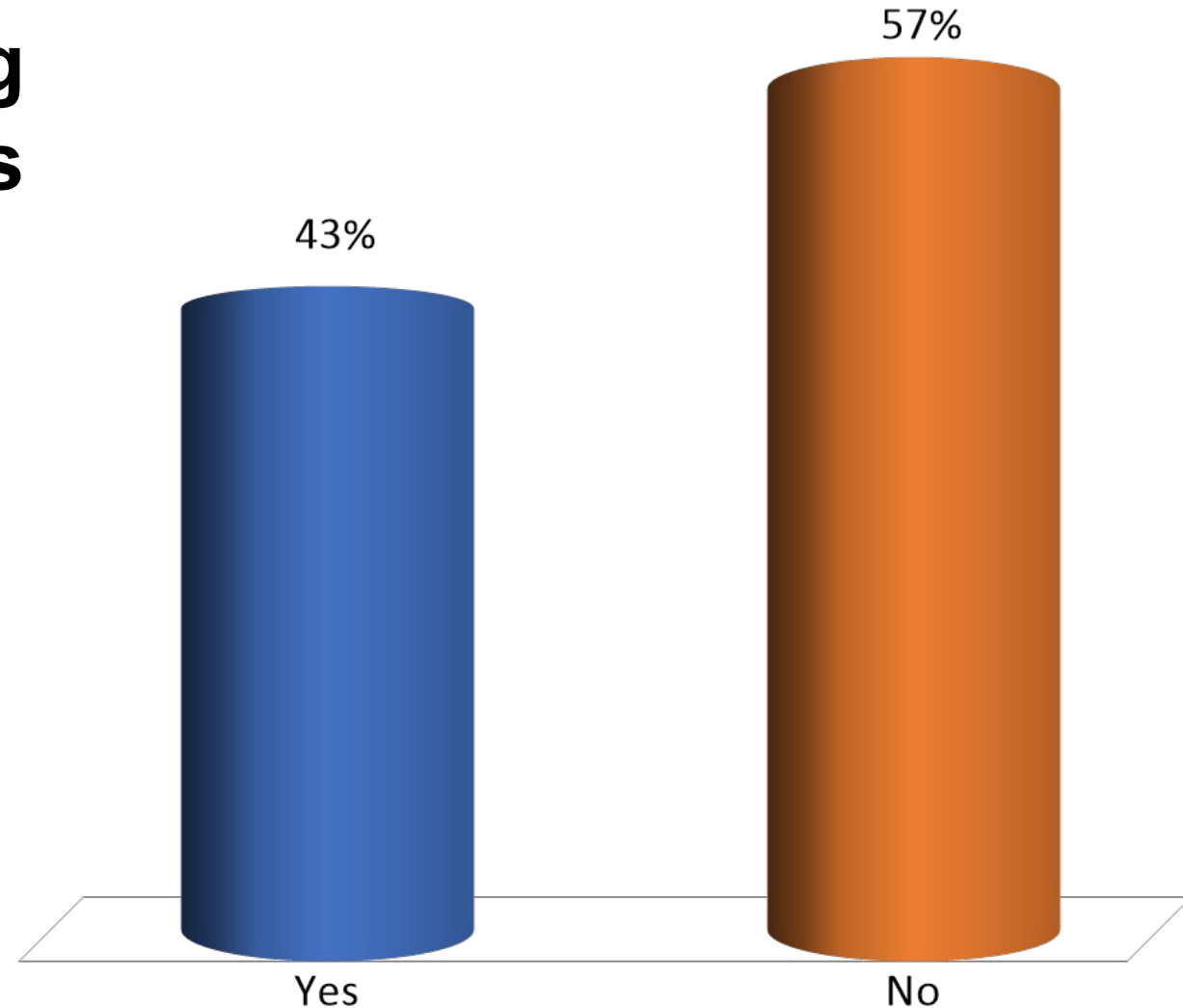
Land Use

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Goal 4: Manage the conflicting interests of agriculture versus urban land uses.

A. Yes

B. No



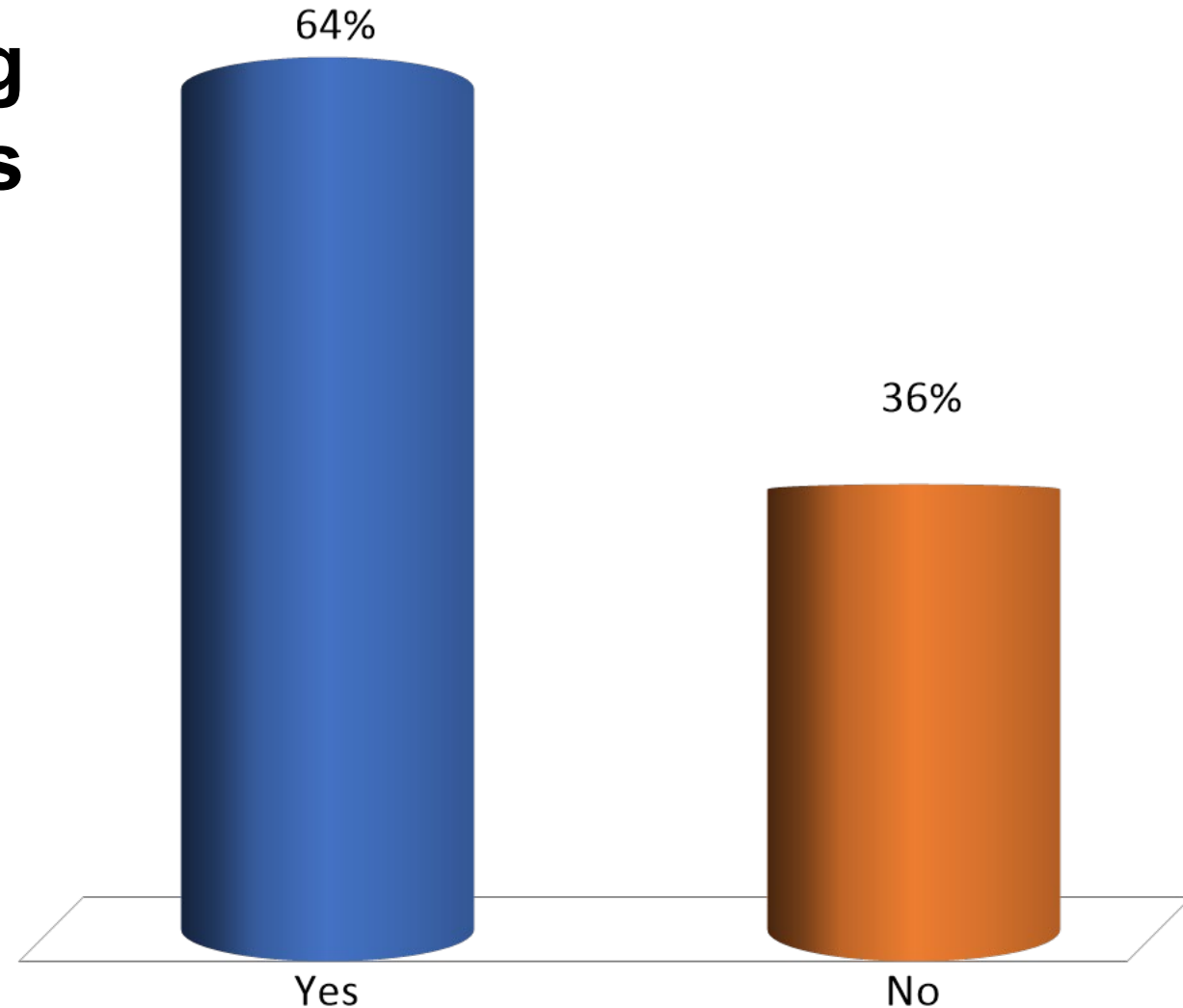
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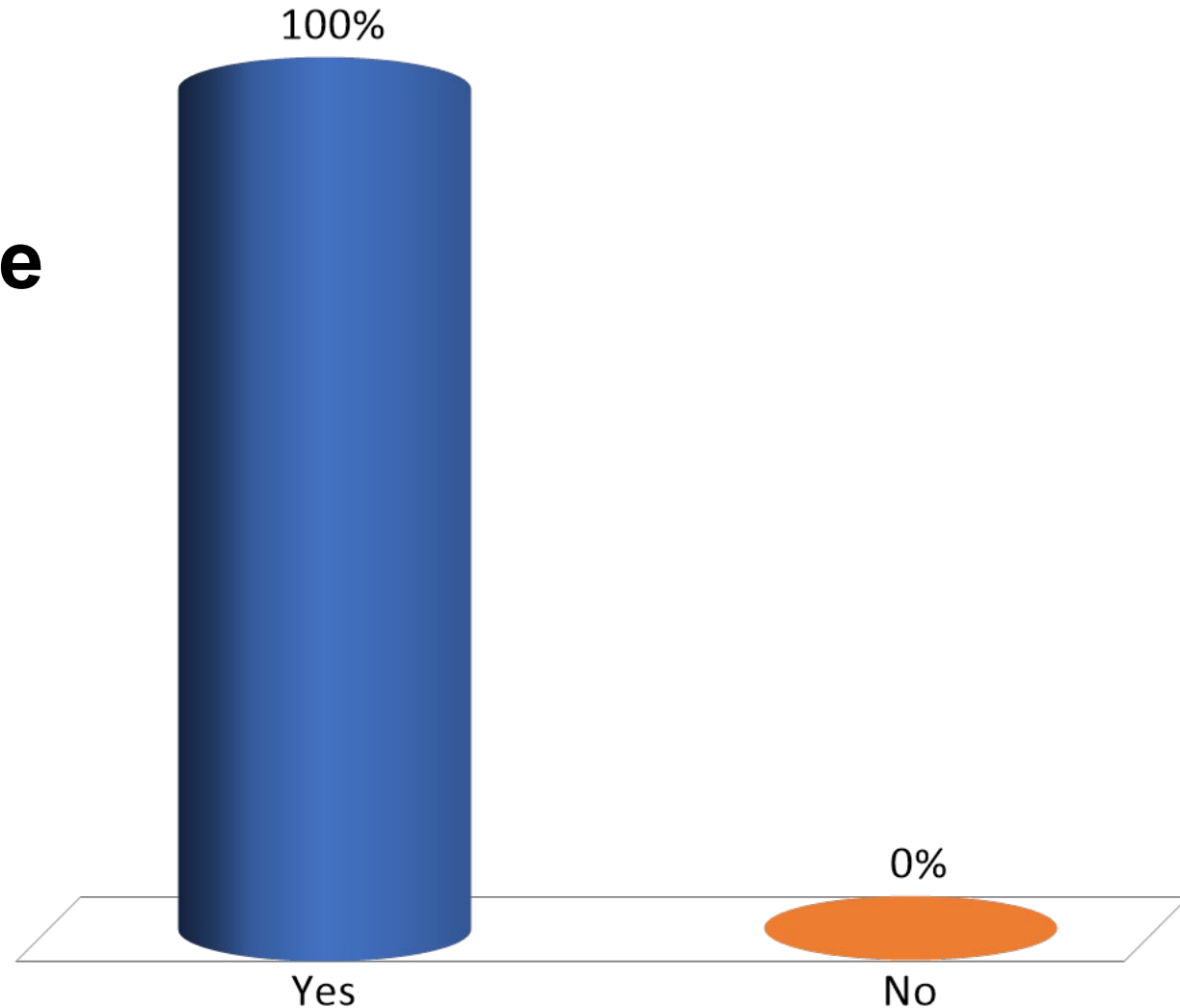
Land Use

Is this Goal still relevant to the City?

Goal 5: Develop an effective growth management strategy for both inside and outside the City limits of Washington.

A. Yes

B. No



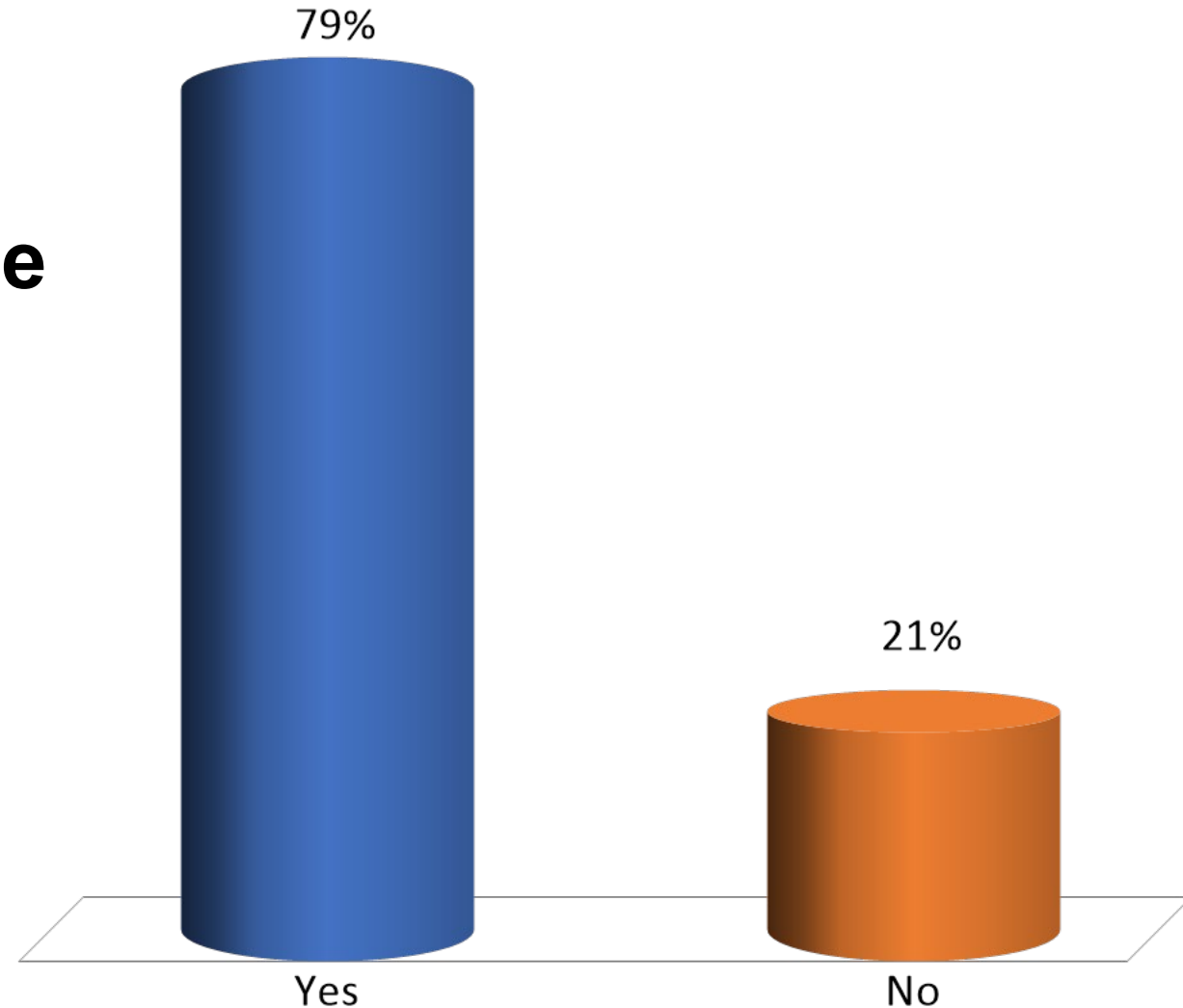
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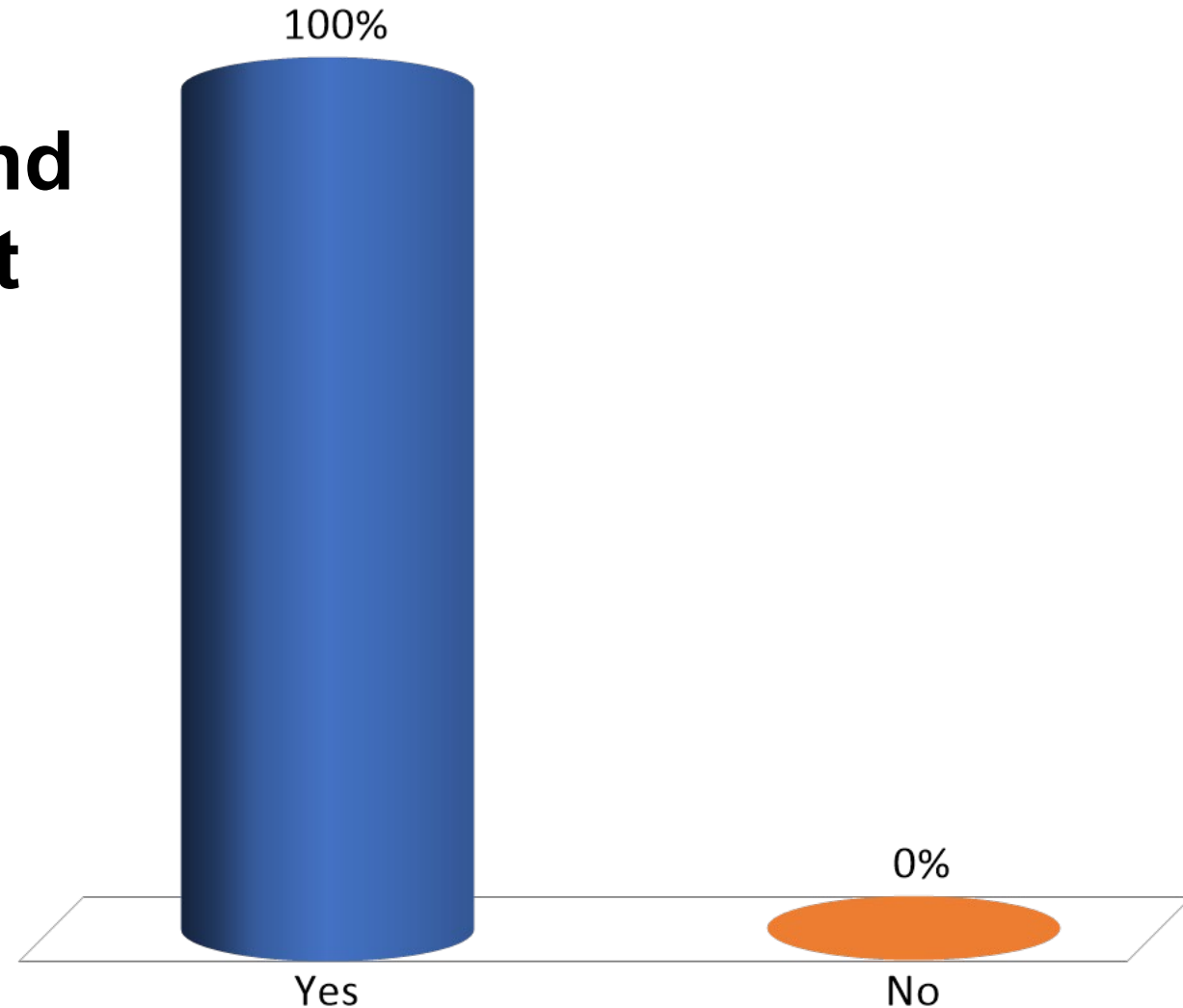
Land Use

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Goal 6: Evaluate commercial growth throughout the City and manage that growth to benefit the community.

A. Yes

B. No



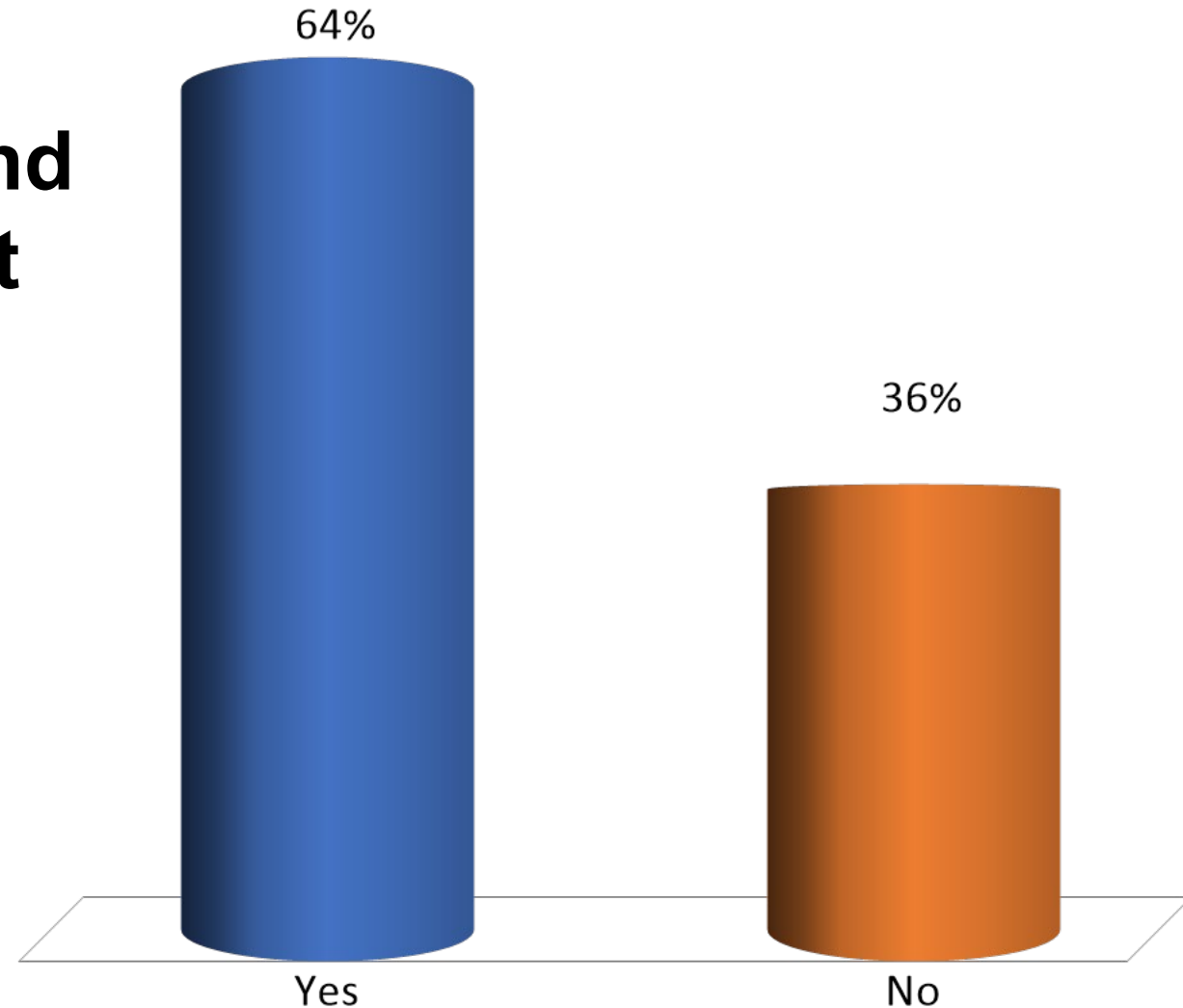
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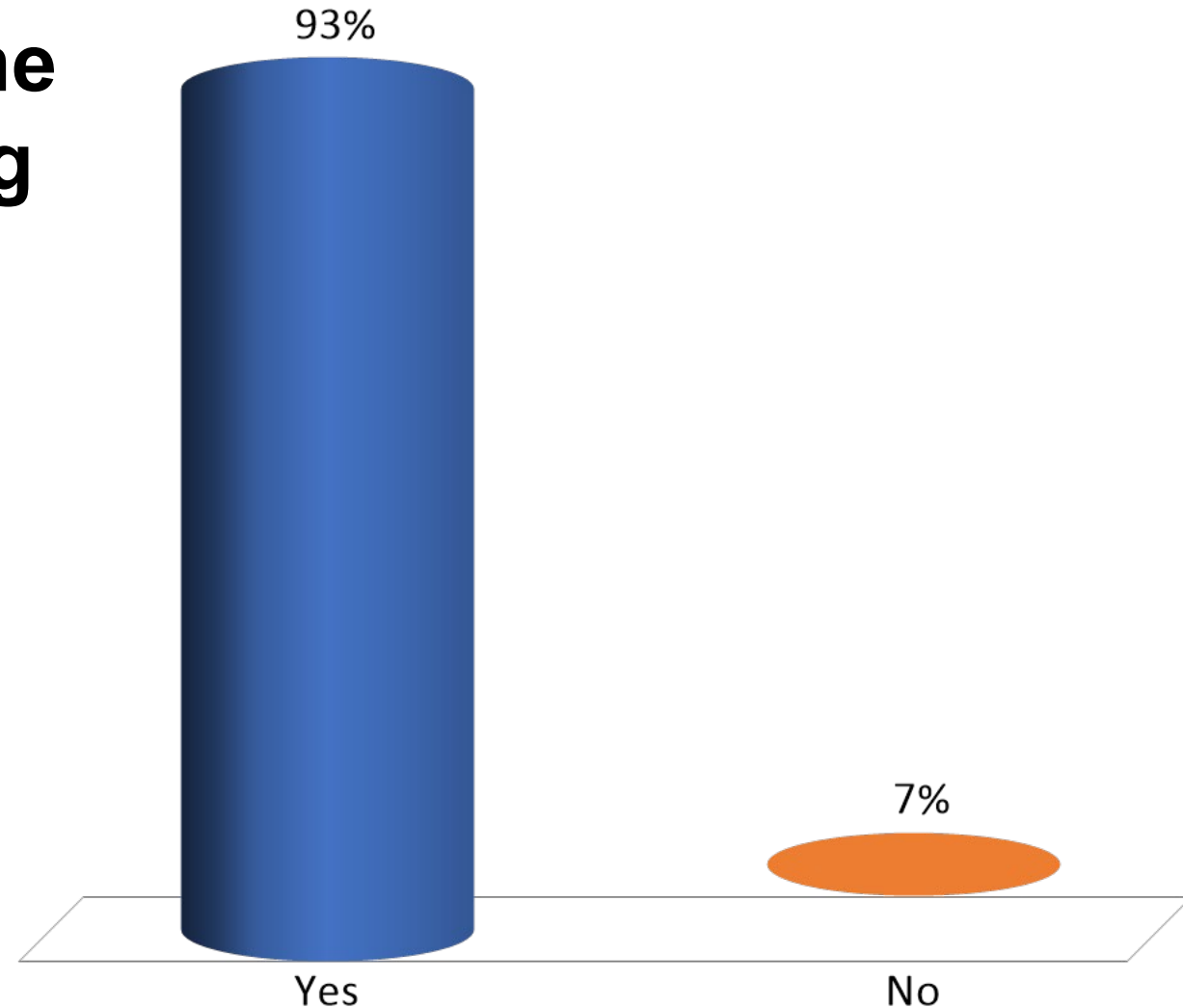
Land Use

Is this Goal still relevant to the City?

Goal 7: Evaluate and determine the needs for life-cycle (young adult through older-adult) housing.

A. Yes

B. No



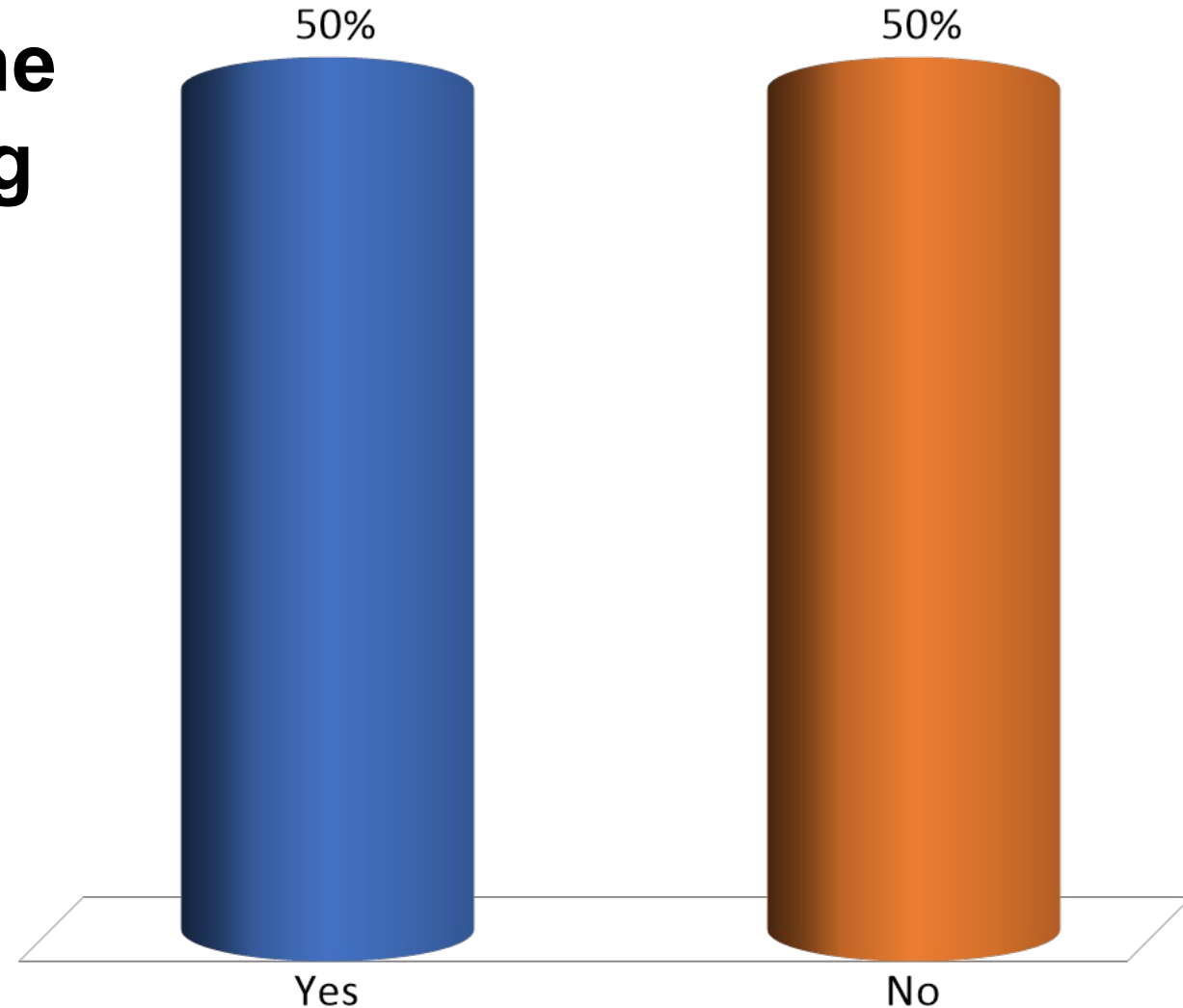
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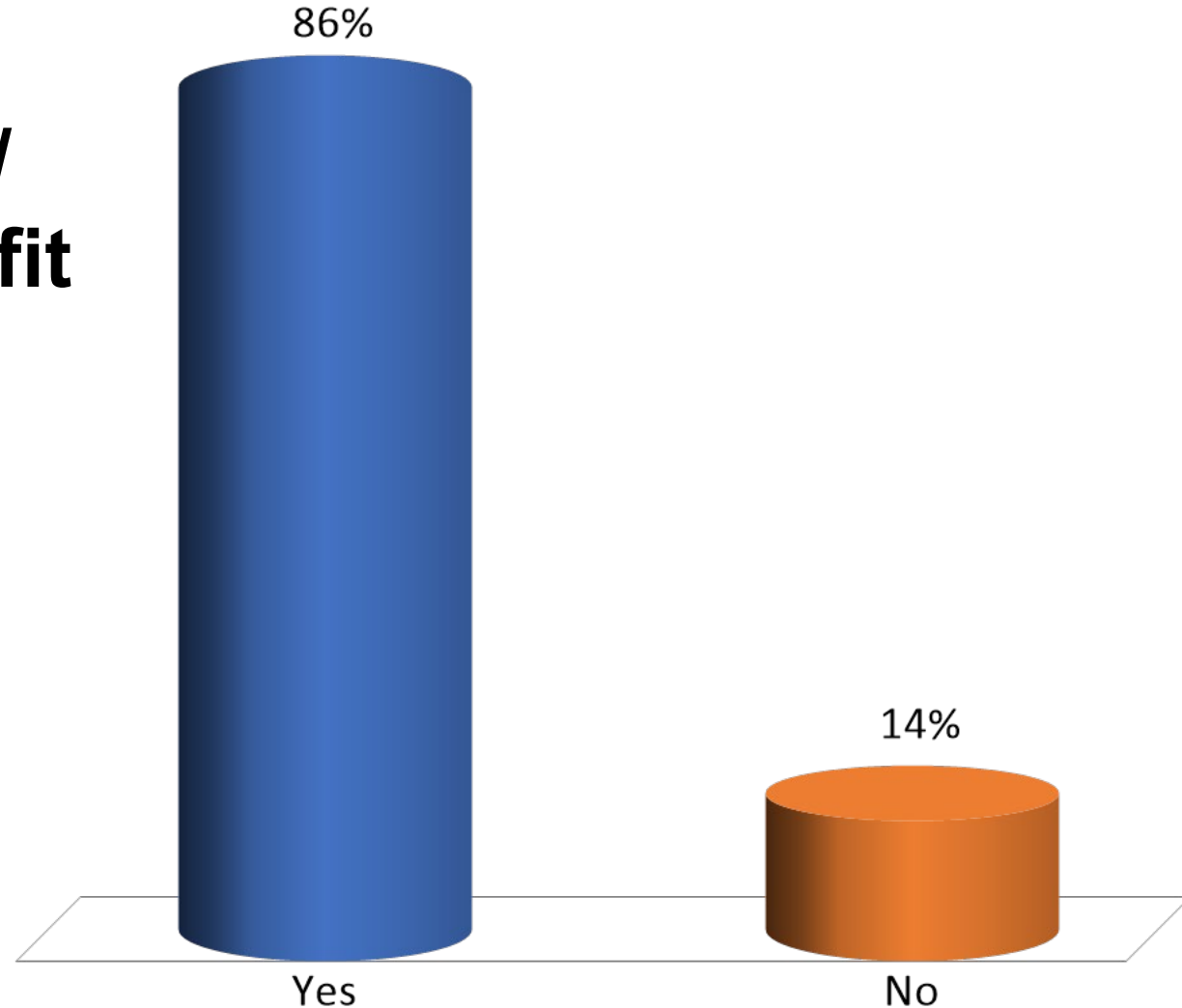
Land Use

Is this Goal still relevant to the City?

Goal 8: Evaluate specific land use activities and encourage / discourage those which benefit the citizenry.

A. Yes

B. No



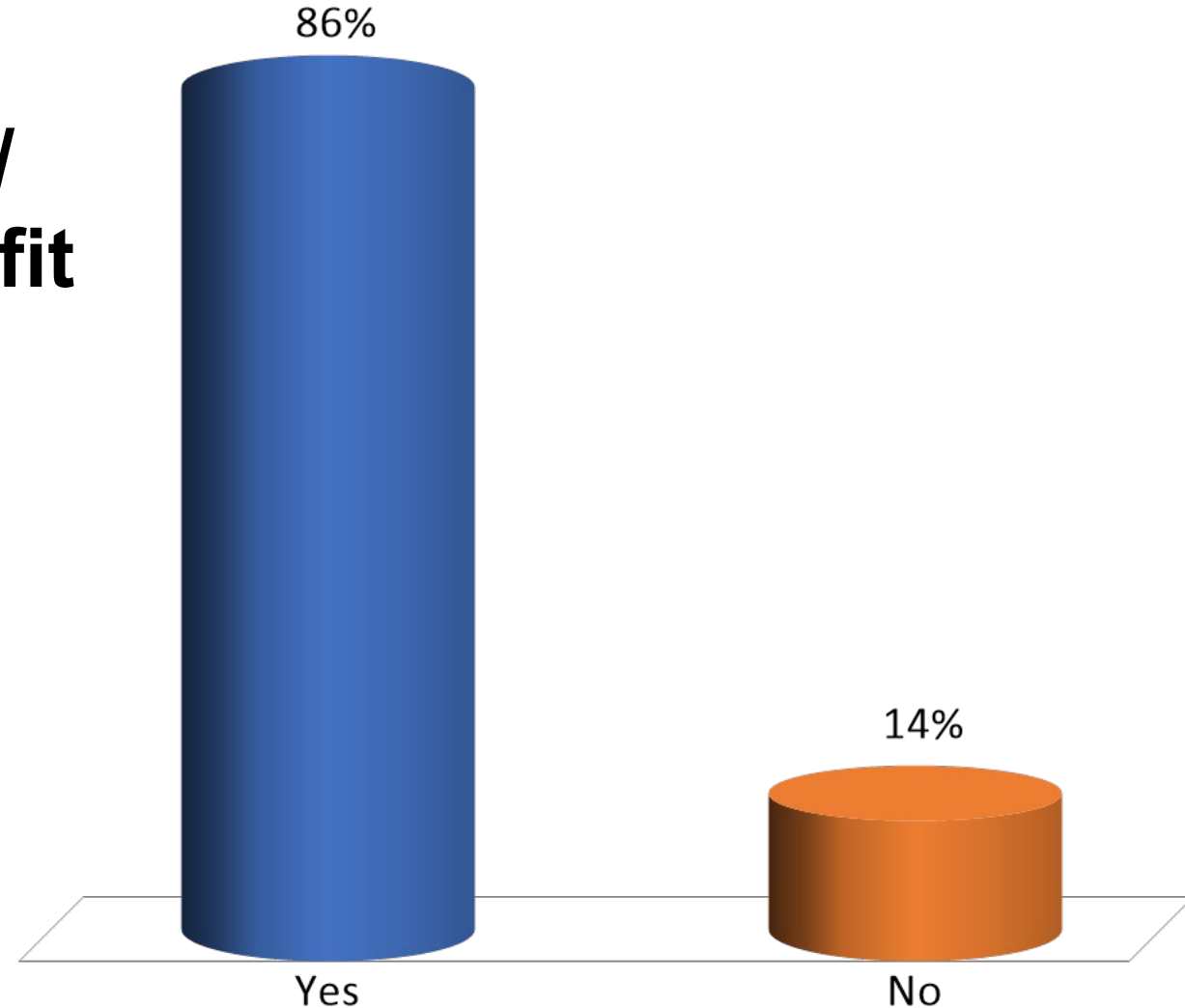
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Focus Topic Area:

Civic

Improvement

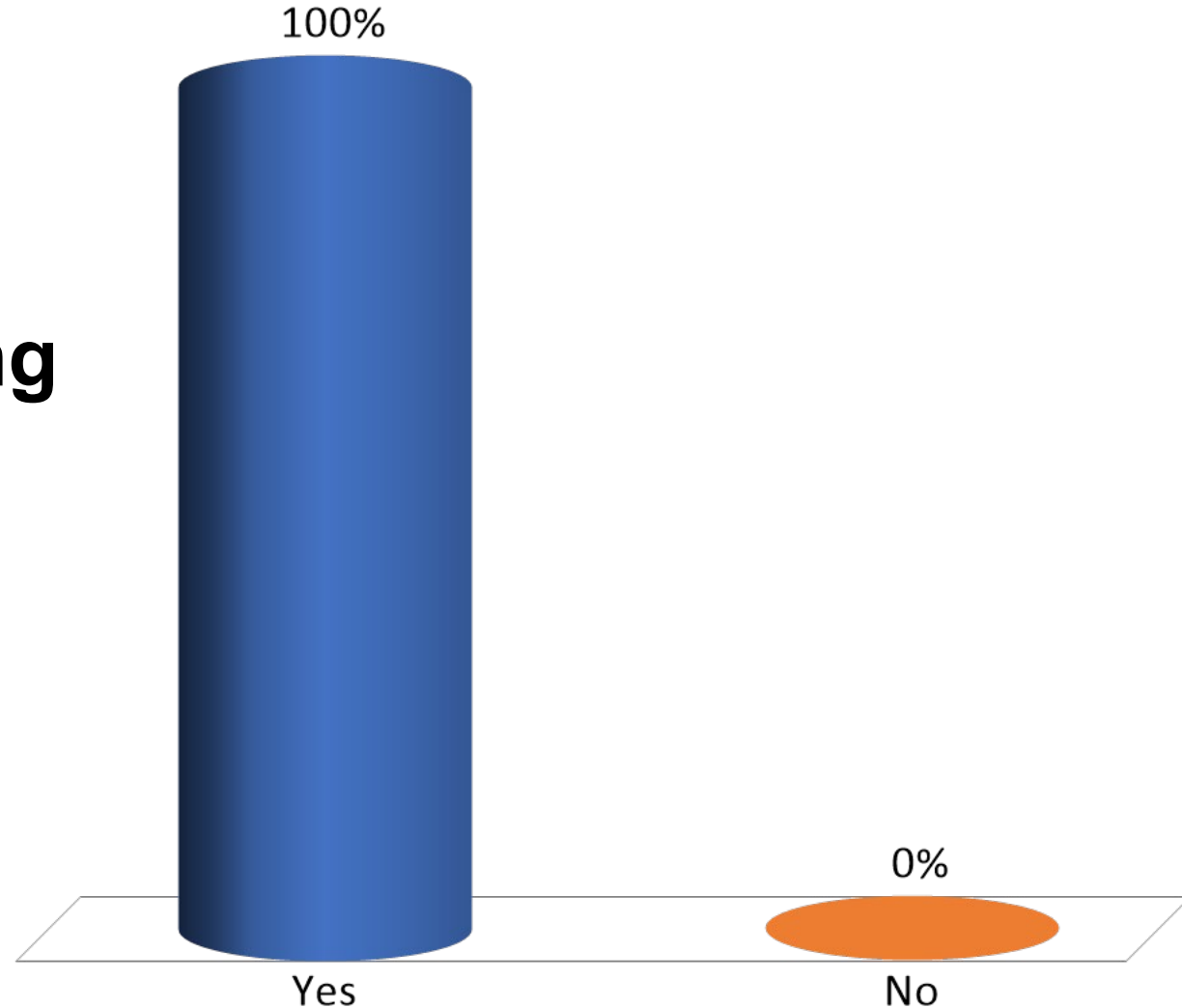
Civic Improvement

Is this Goal still relevant to the City?

Goal 1: Continue to provide governmental services in a manner which maximizes public benefit while minimizing public expenditures.

A. Yes

B. No



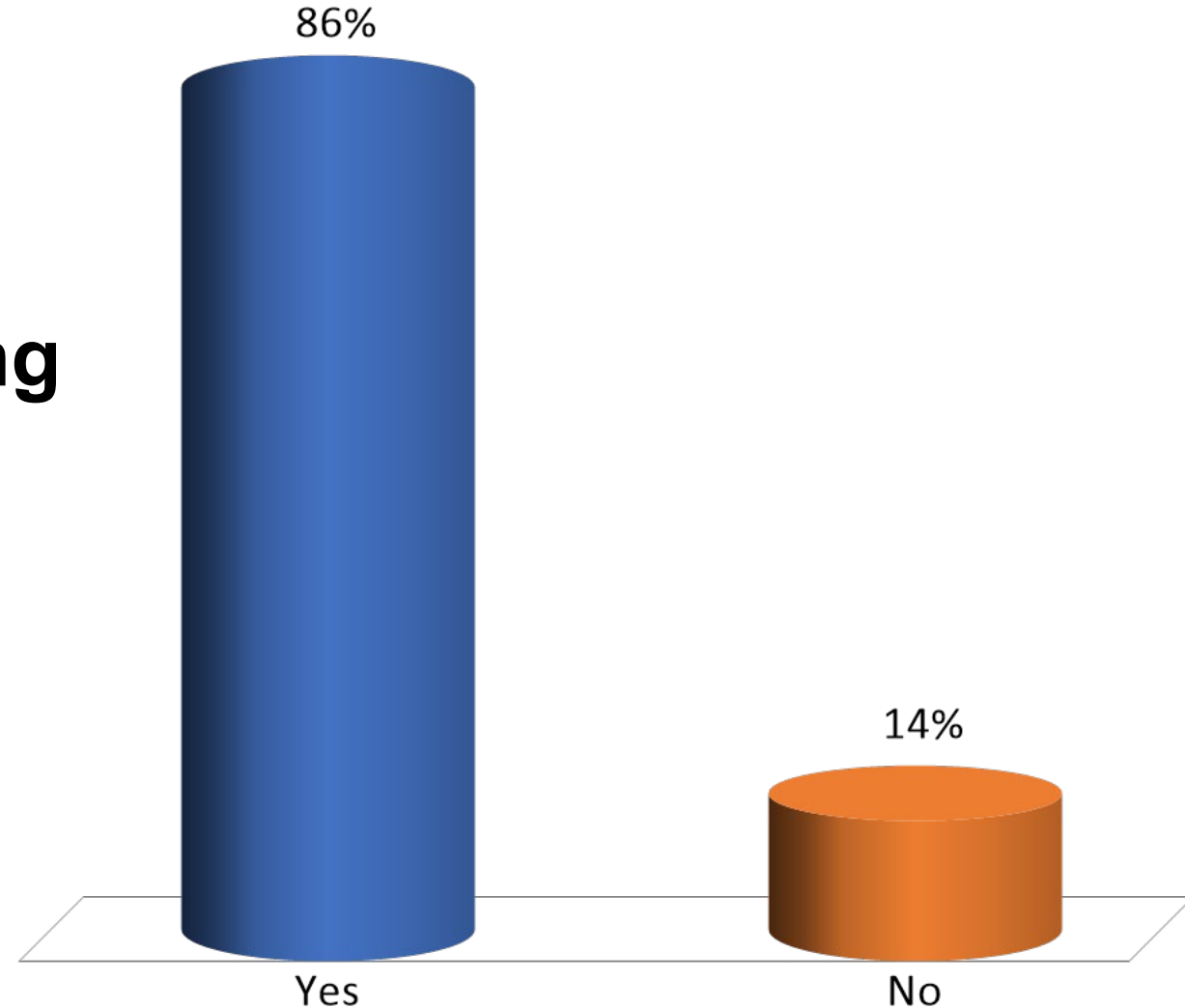
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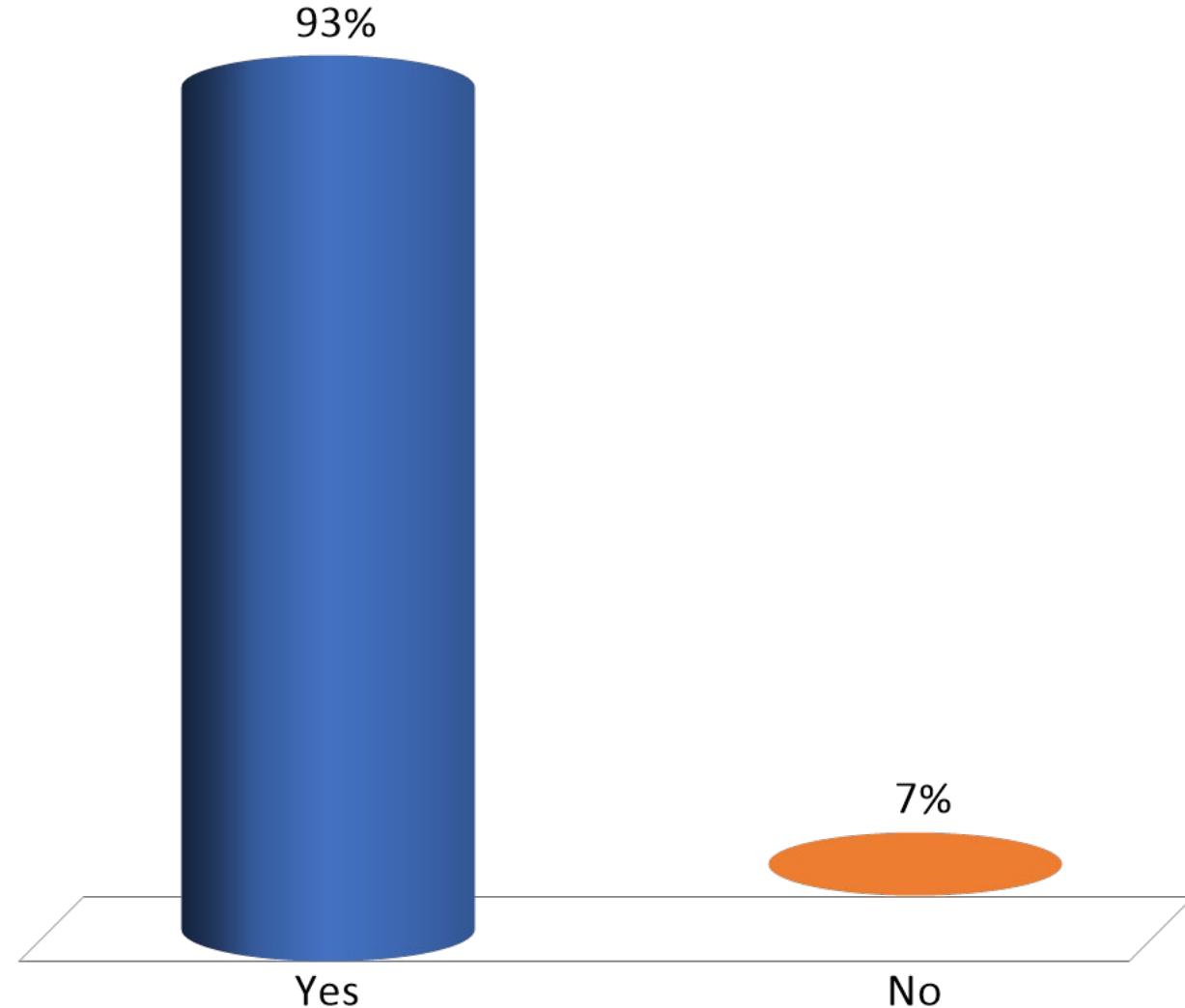
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Is this Goal still relevant to the City?

Goal 2: Seek cost-effective strategies which utilize technology to improve government services.

A. Yes

B. No



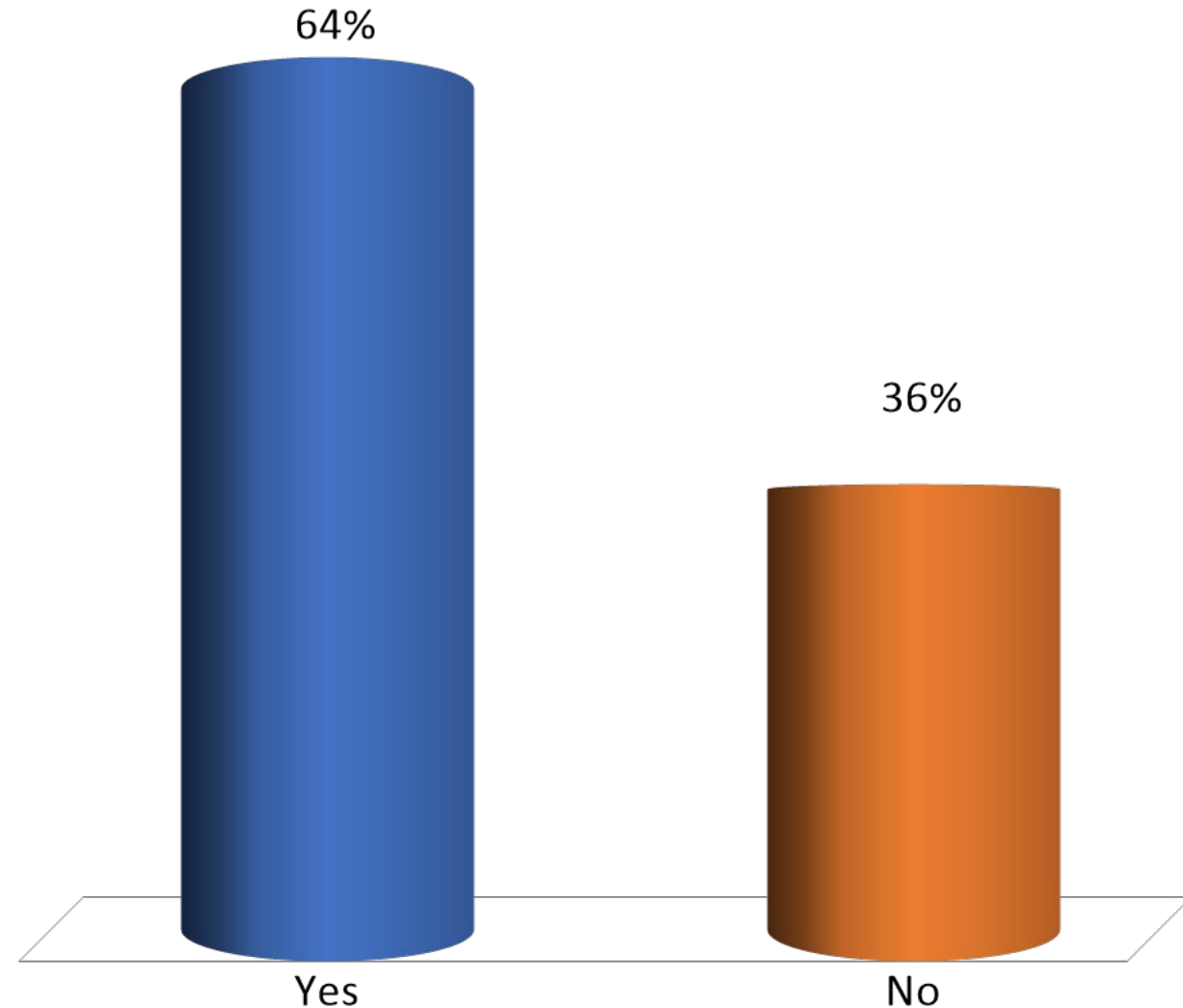
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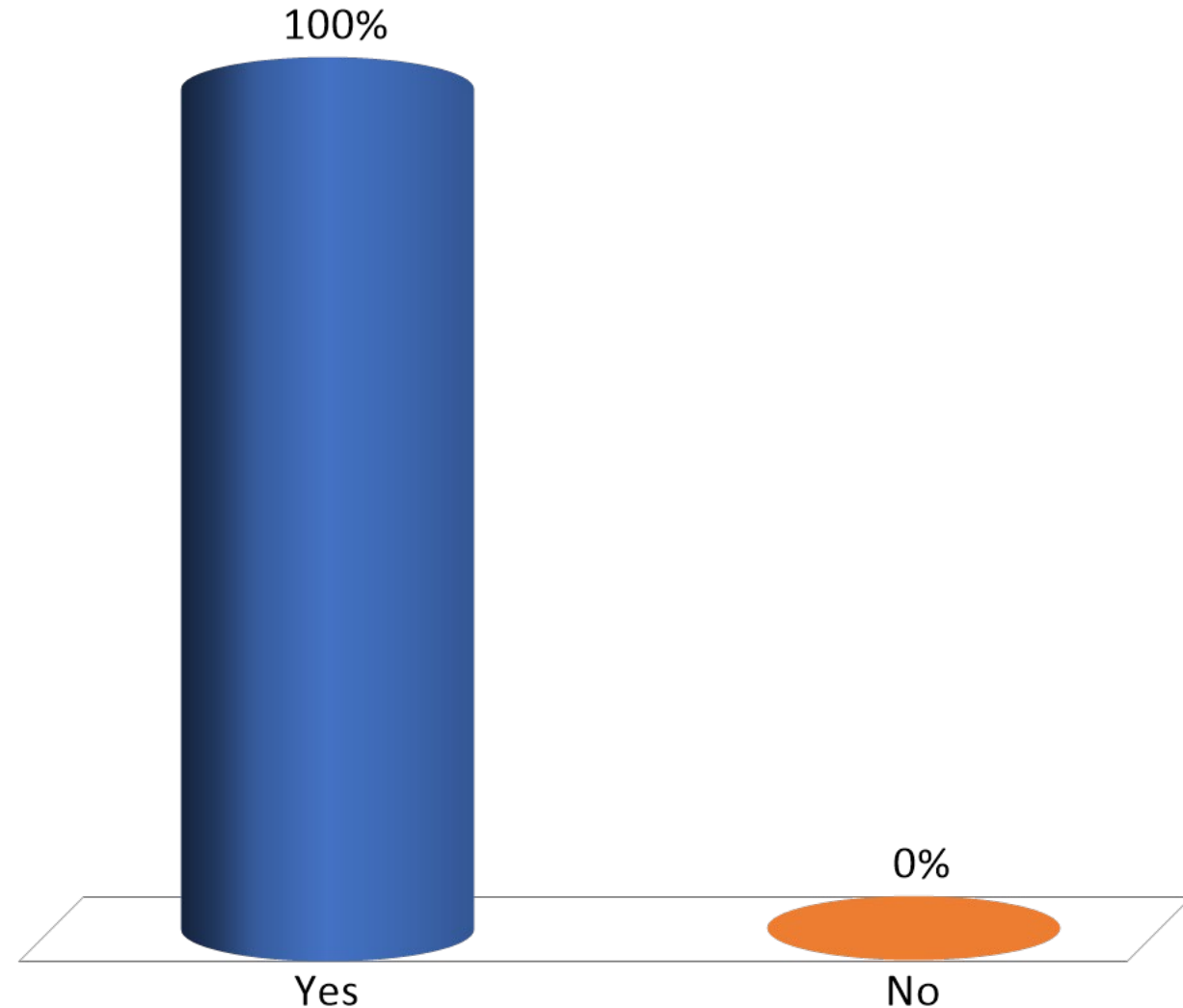
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Goal 3: Develop cooperative approaches with other public and quasi-public institutions and agencies to provide enhanced services to the residents of the community.

A. Yes

B. No



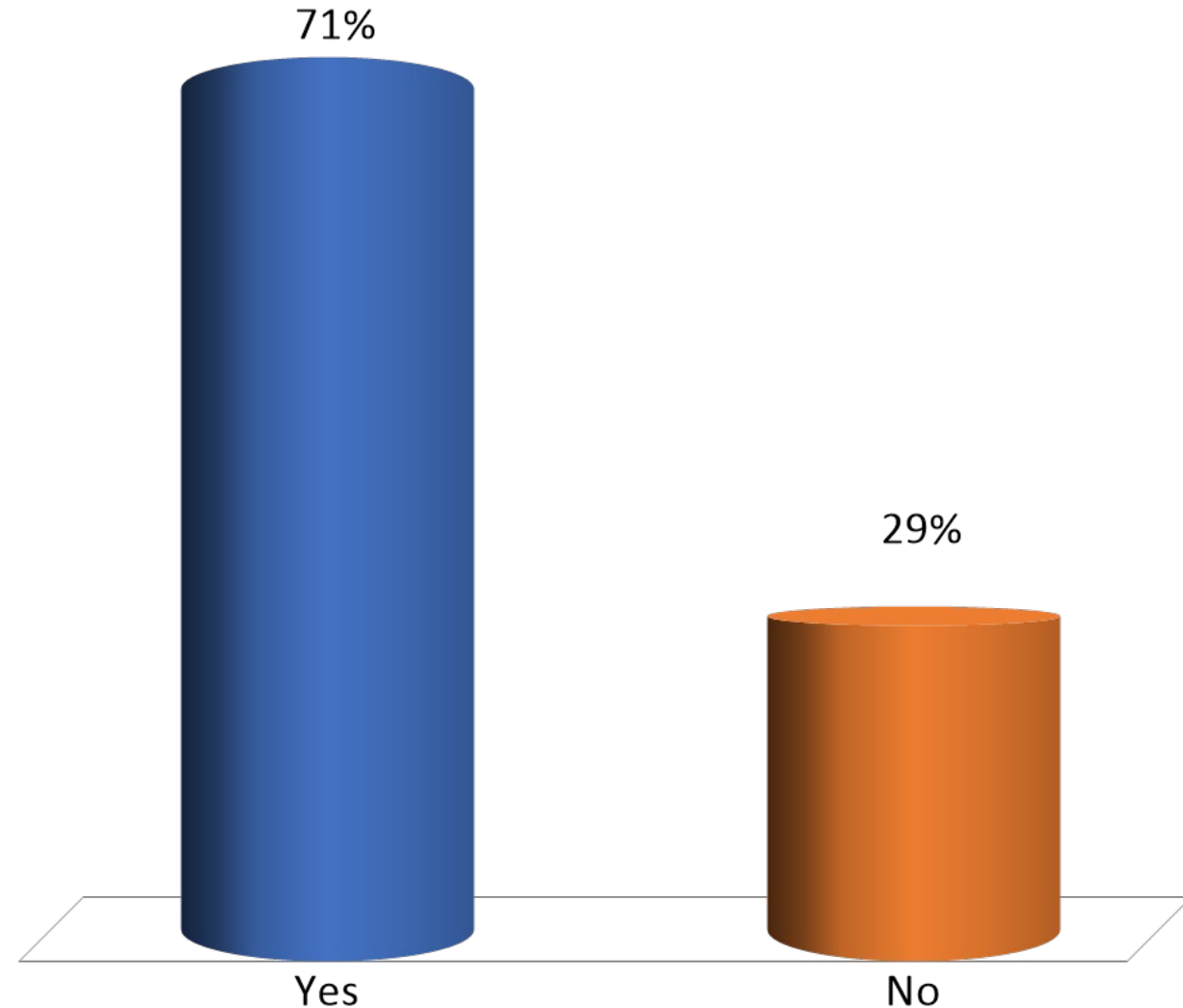
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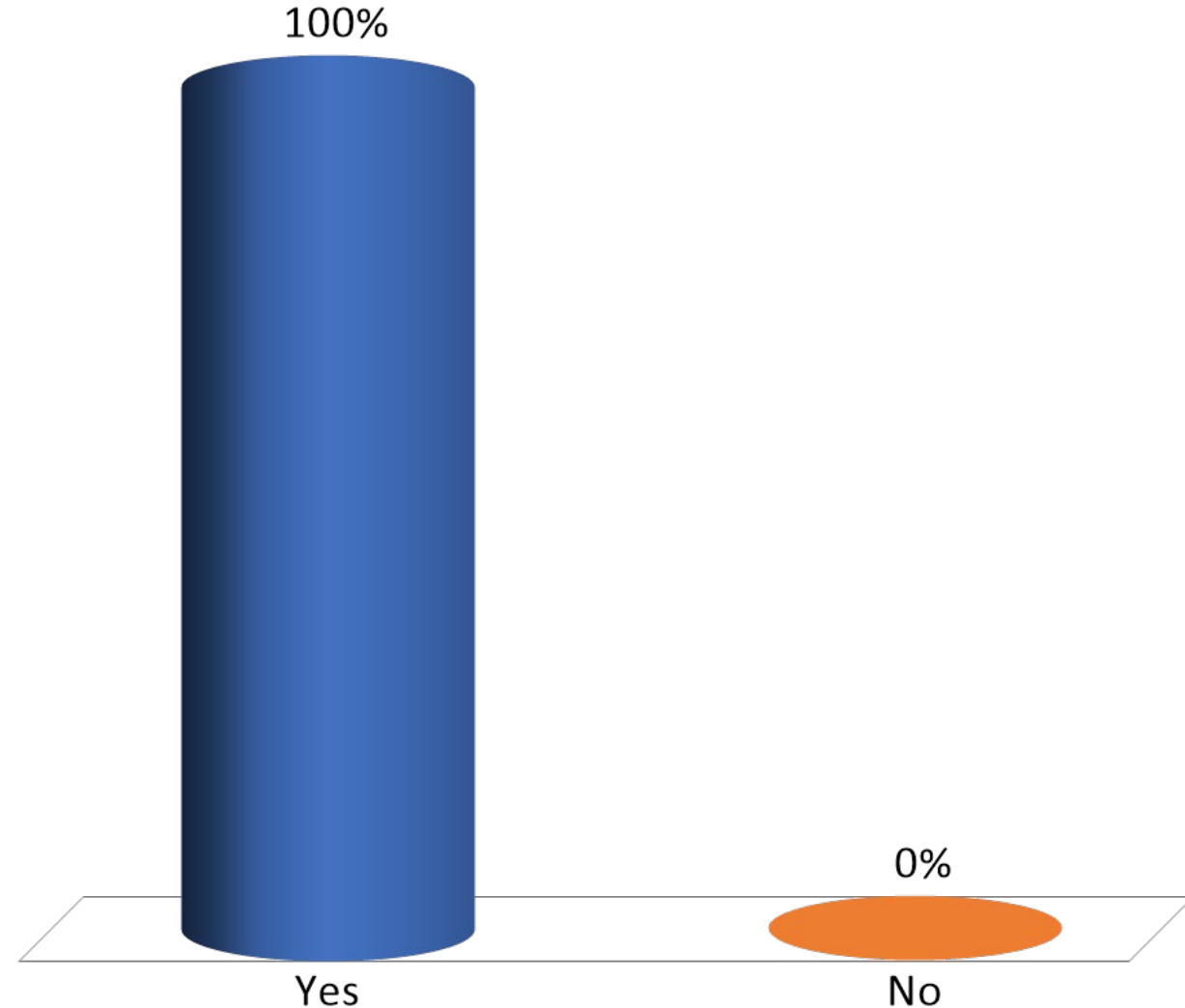
Civic Improvement

Is this Goal still relevant to the City?

Goal 4: Attract and retain professionally-qualified City employees with high ethical standards and enhanced customer service skills.

A. Yes

B. No



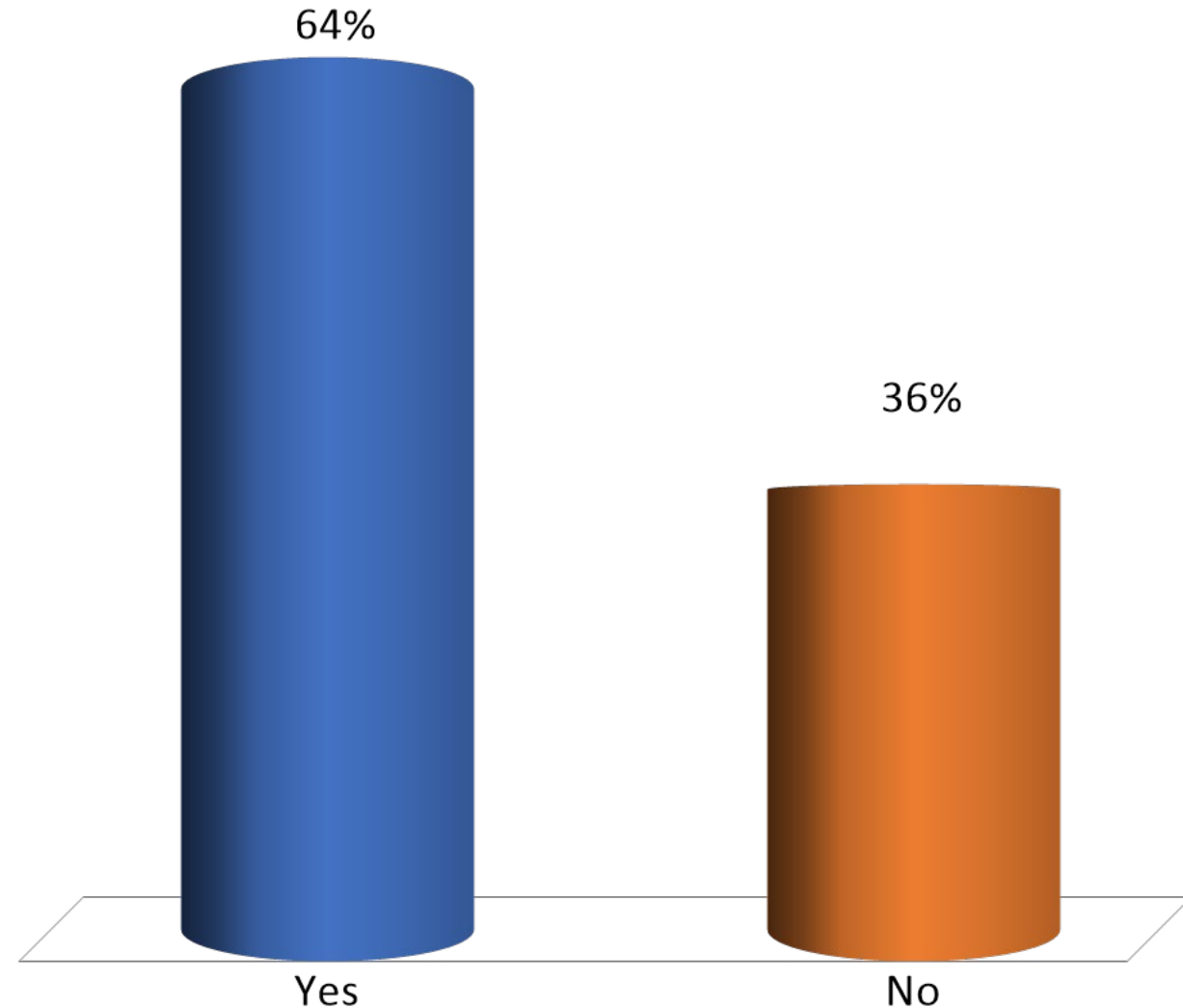
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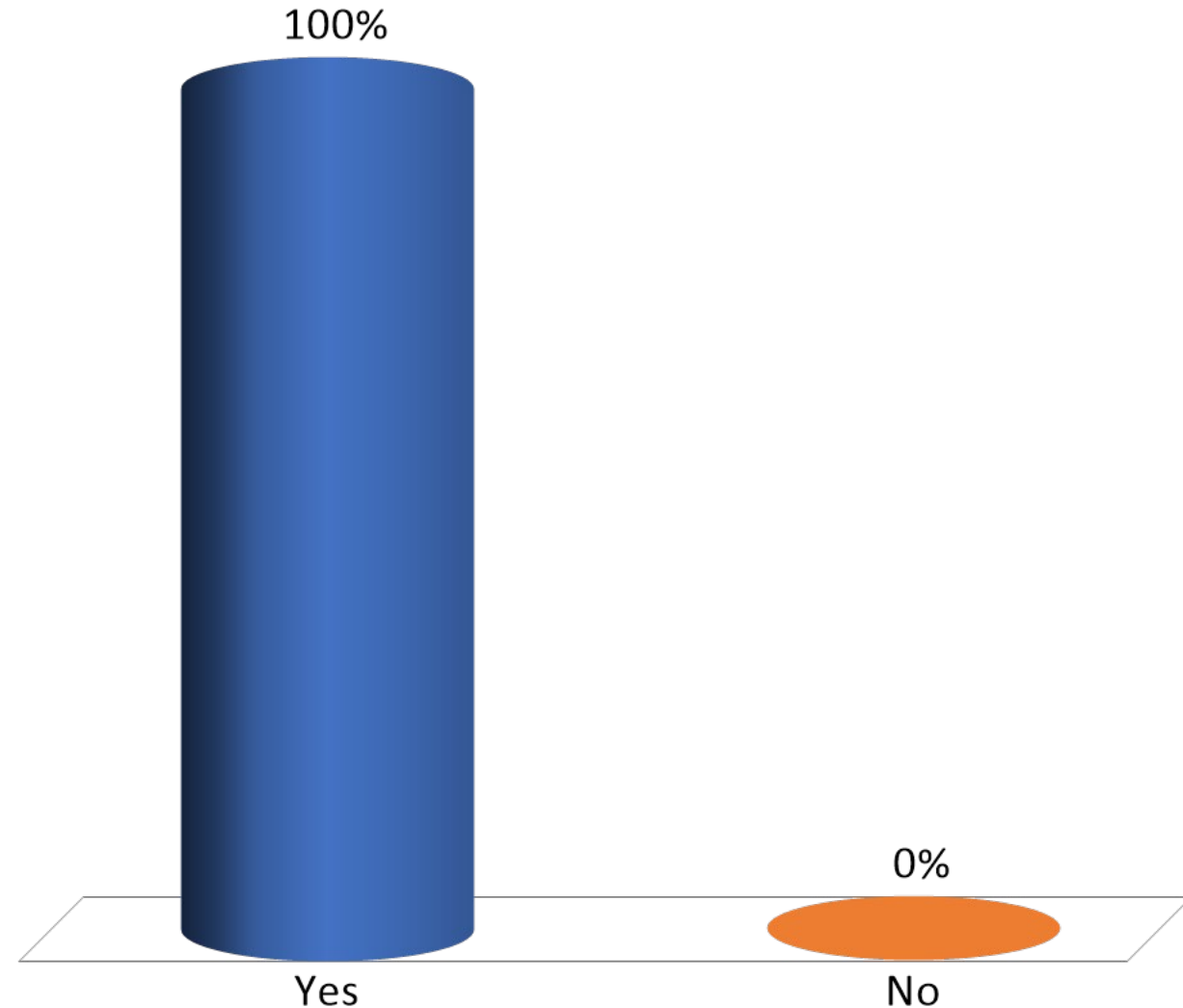
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Goal 5: Encourage on-going community support and involvement through implementation of a Comprehensive Plan.

A. Yes

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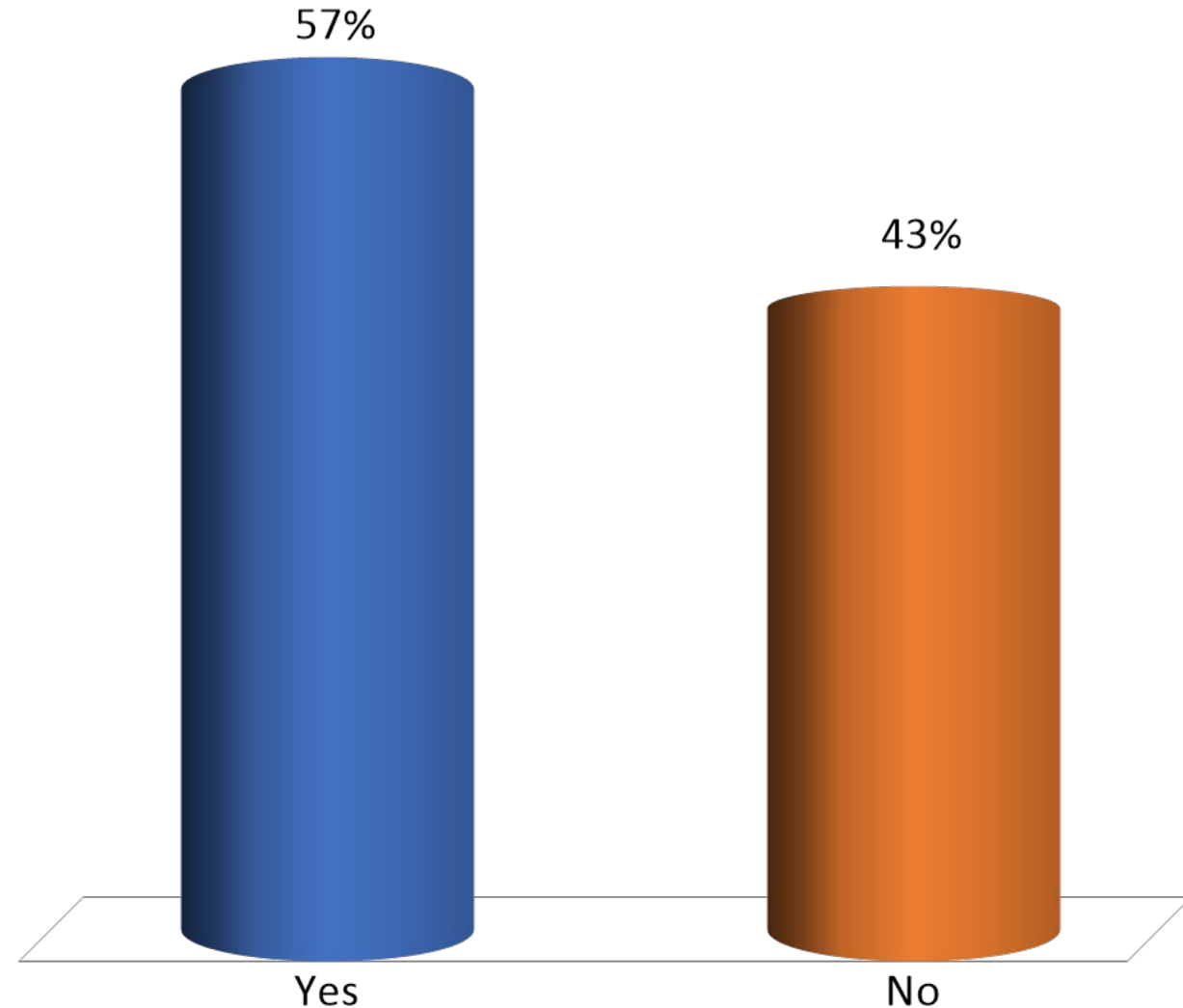
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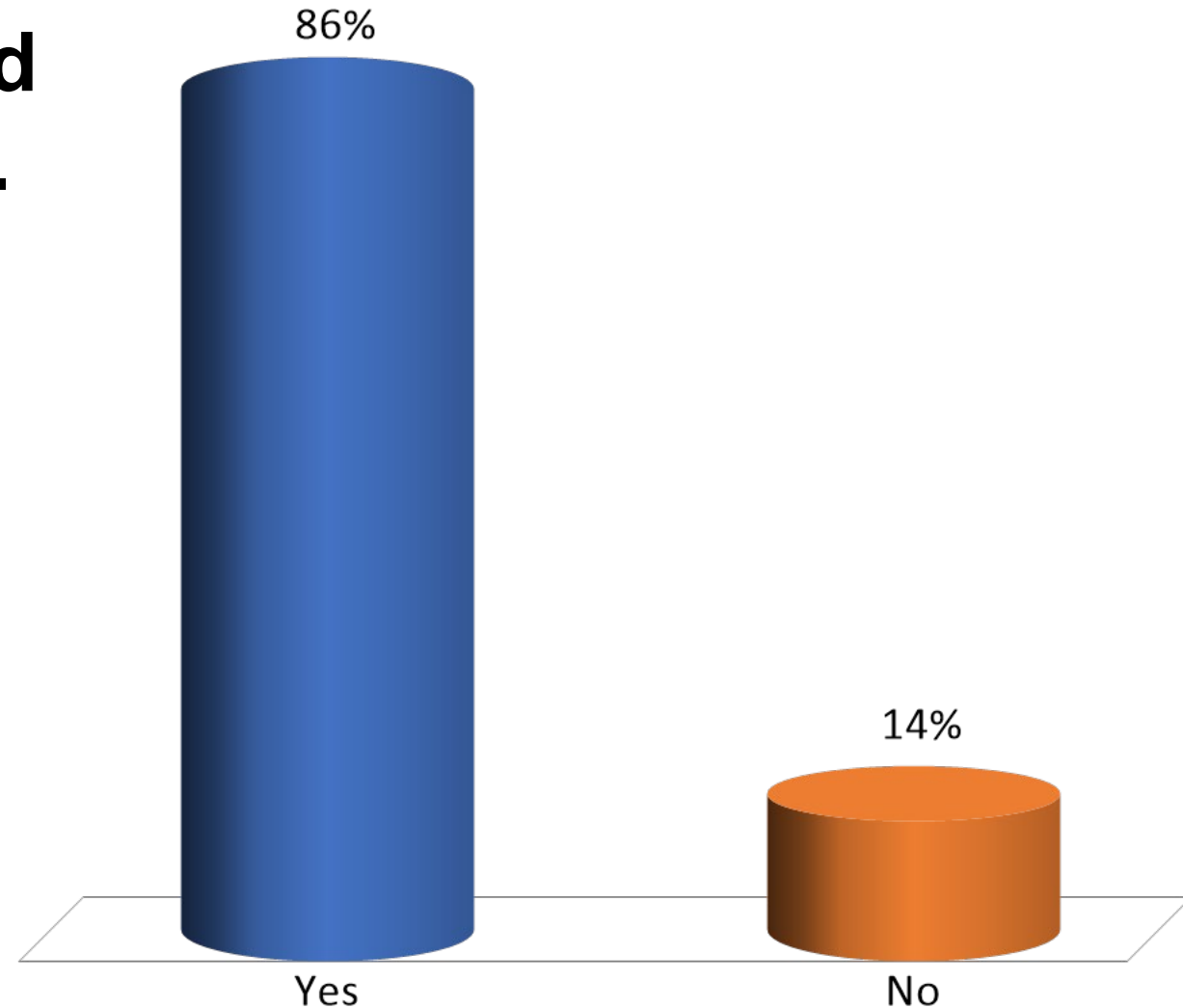
Civic Improvement

Is this Goal still relevant to the City?

Goal 6: Work toward enhanced development of the riverfront.

A. Yes

B. No



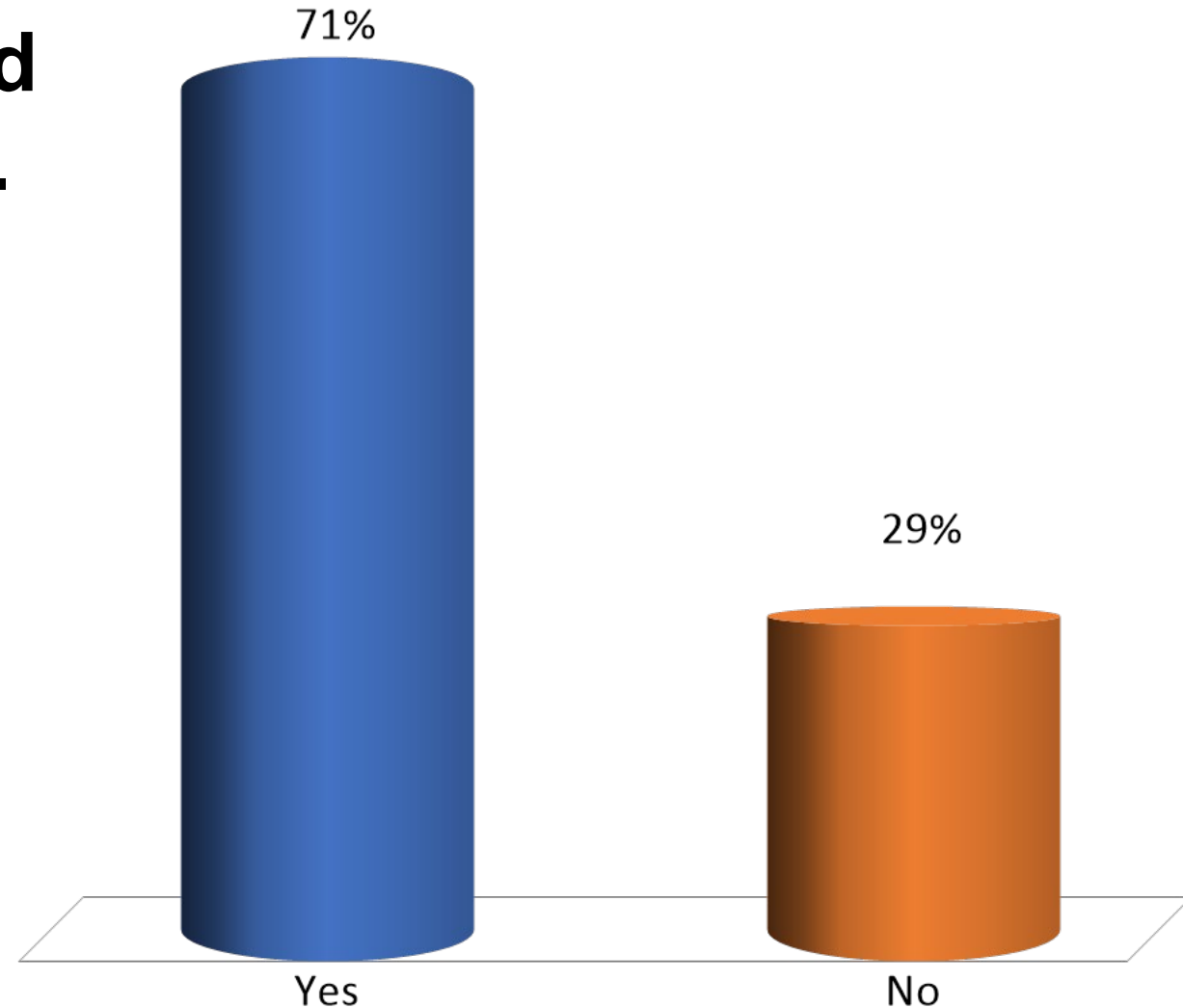
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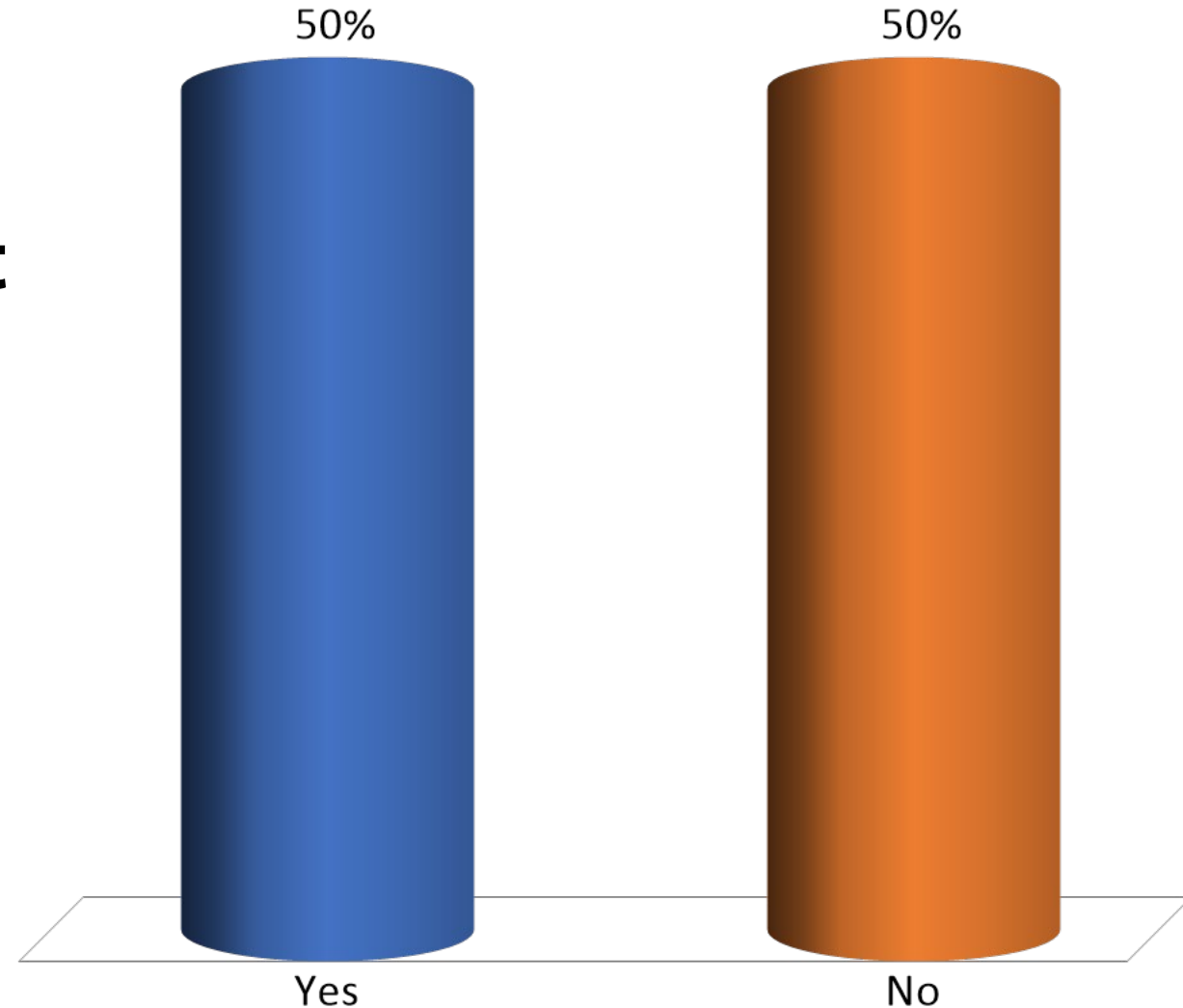
Civic Improvement

Is this Goal still relevant to the City?

Goal 7: Expand the environmental programs and services available throughout the community.

A. Yes

B. No



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