

# The YEP Project's Youth Sector Survey



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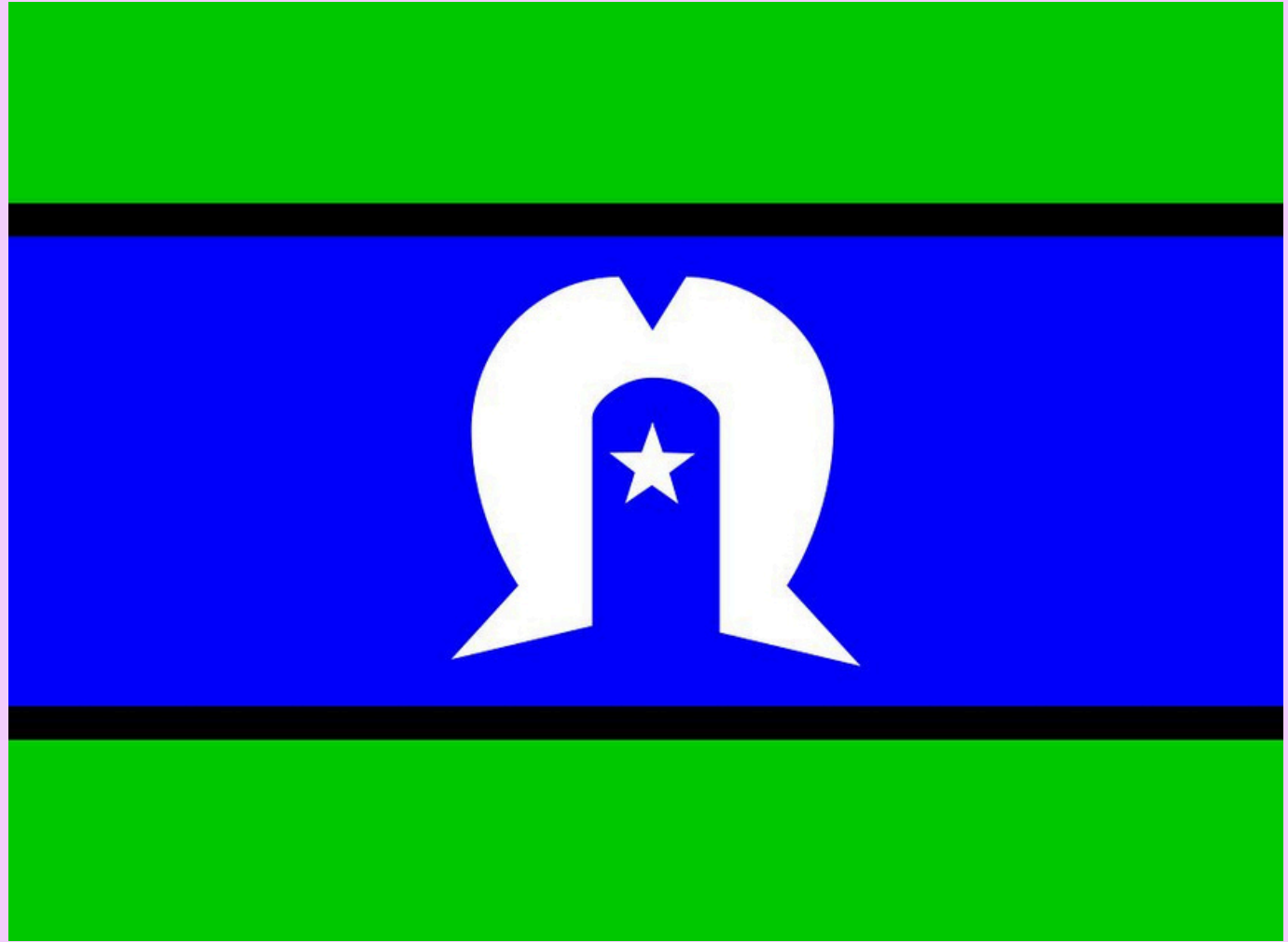




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# Acknowledgement of Country



# About the Sector Survey

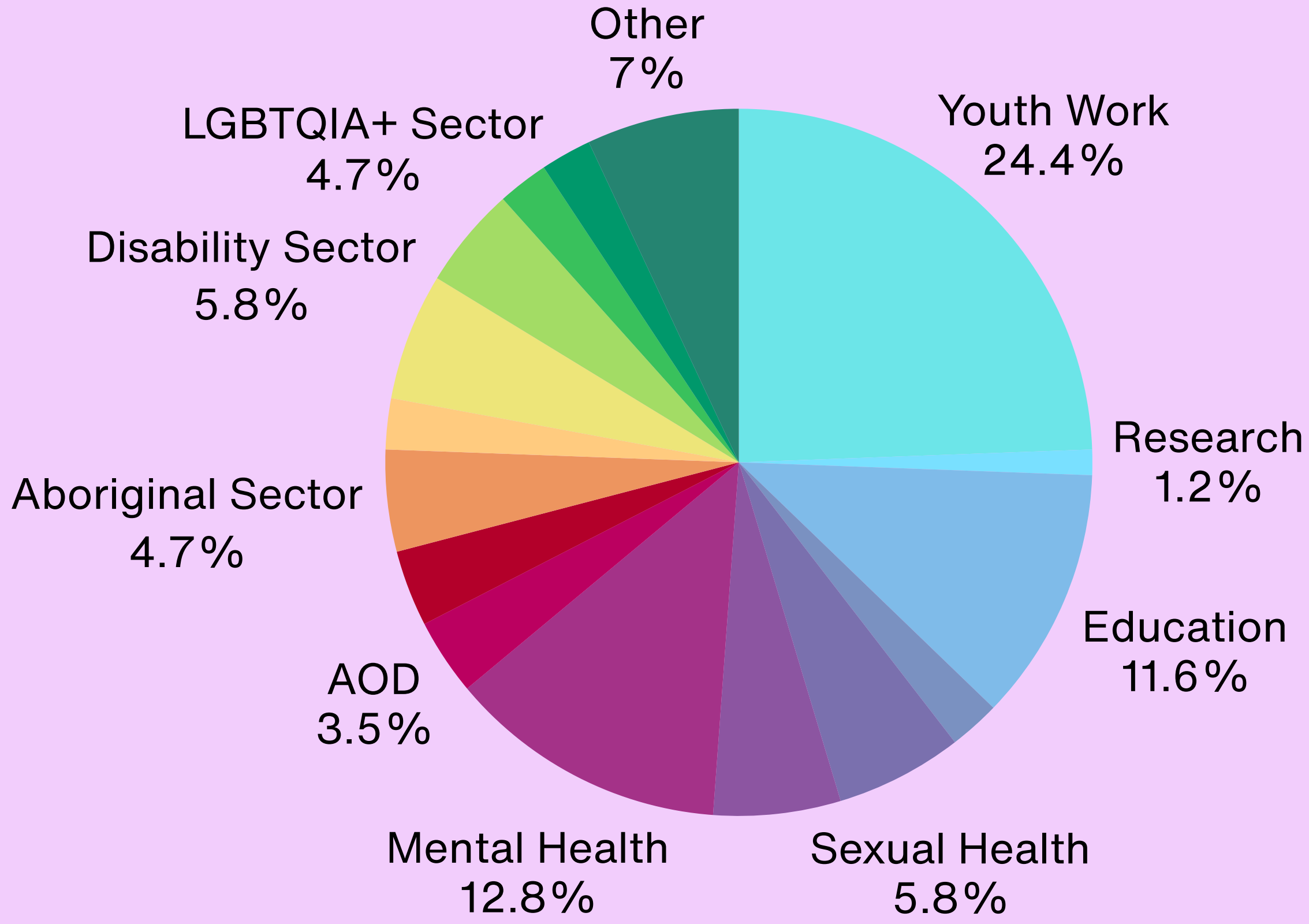


- This survey asks professionals that work with young people ages 12-25 what they want to see changed in sexual health services and education (including us!).
- Each year we use the information provided to improve how we run the YEP Project, as well as to make positive change in other services!

# Participants: Area of Work



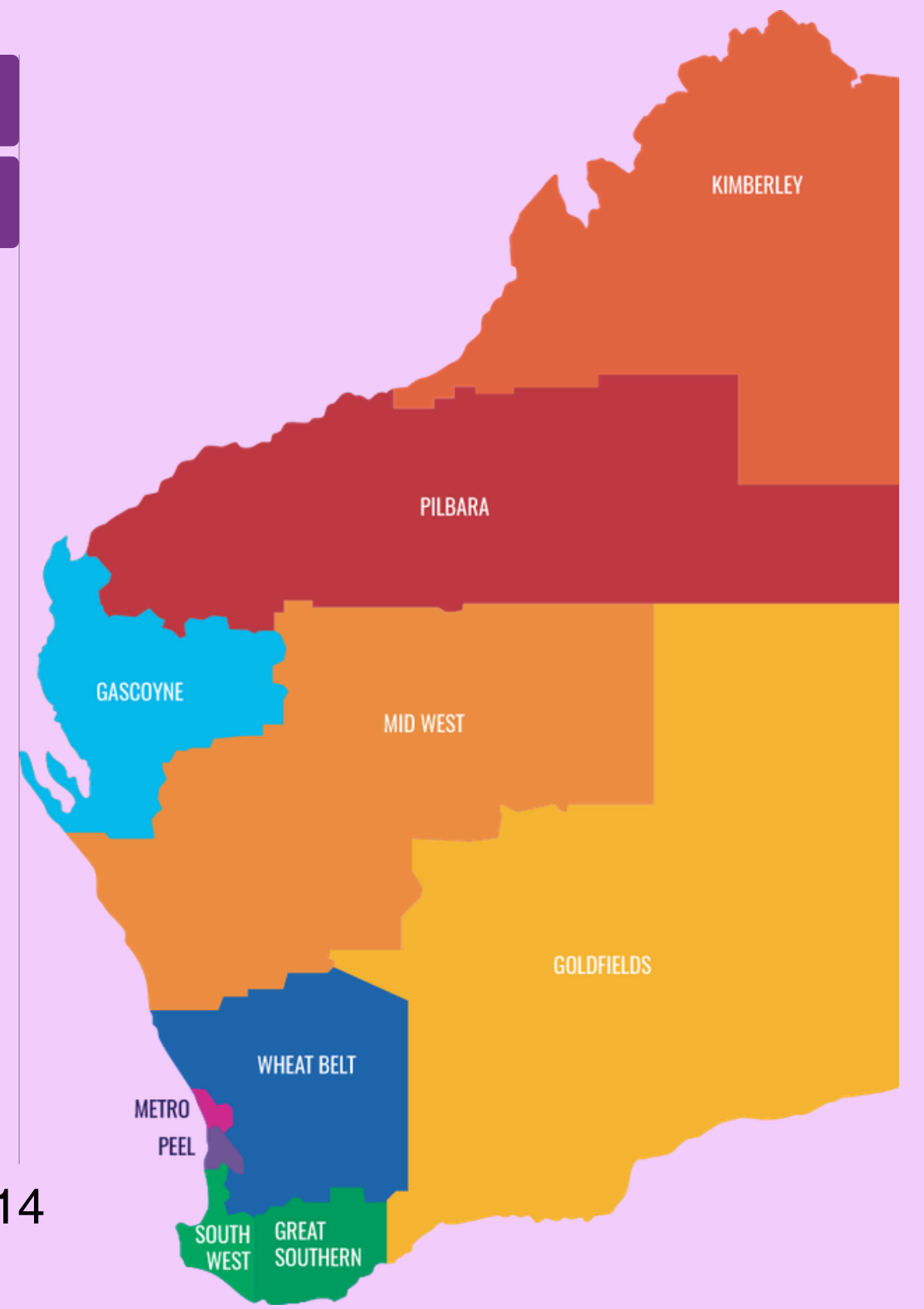
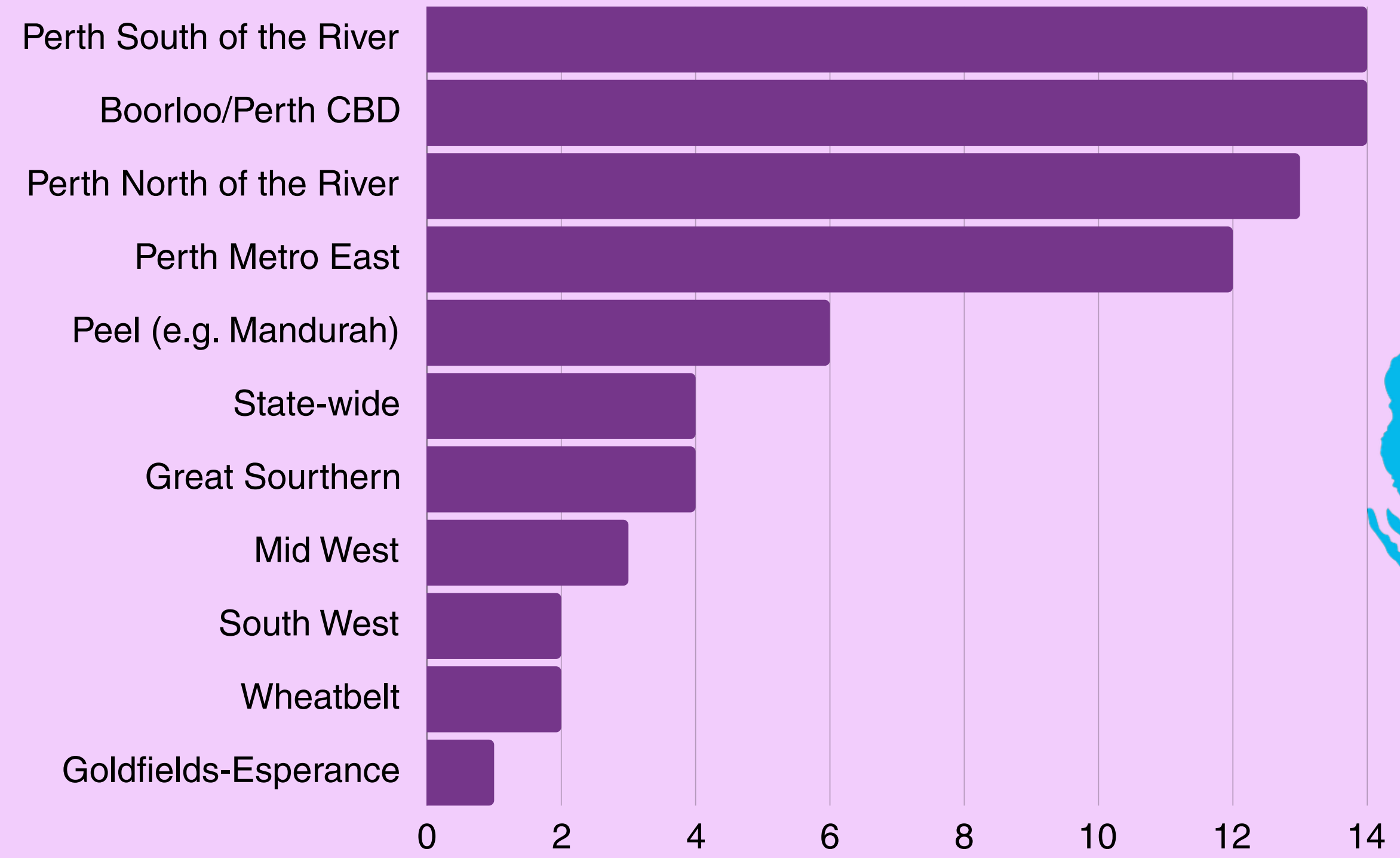
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# Participant: Service Areas



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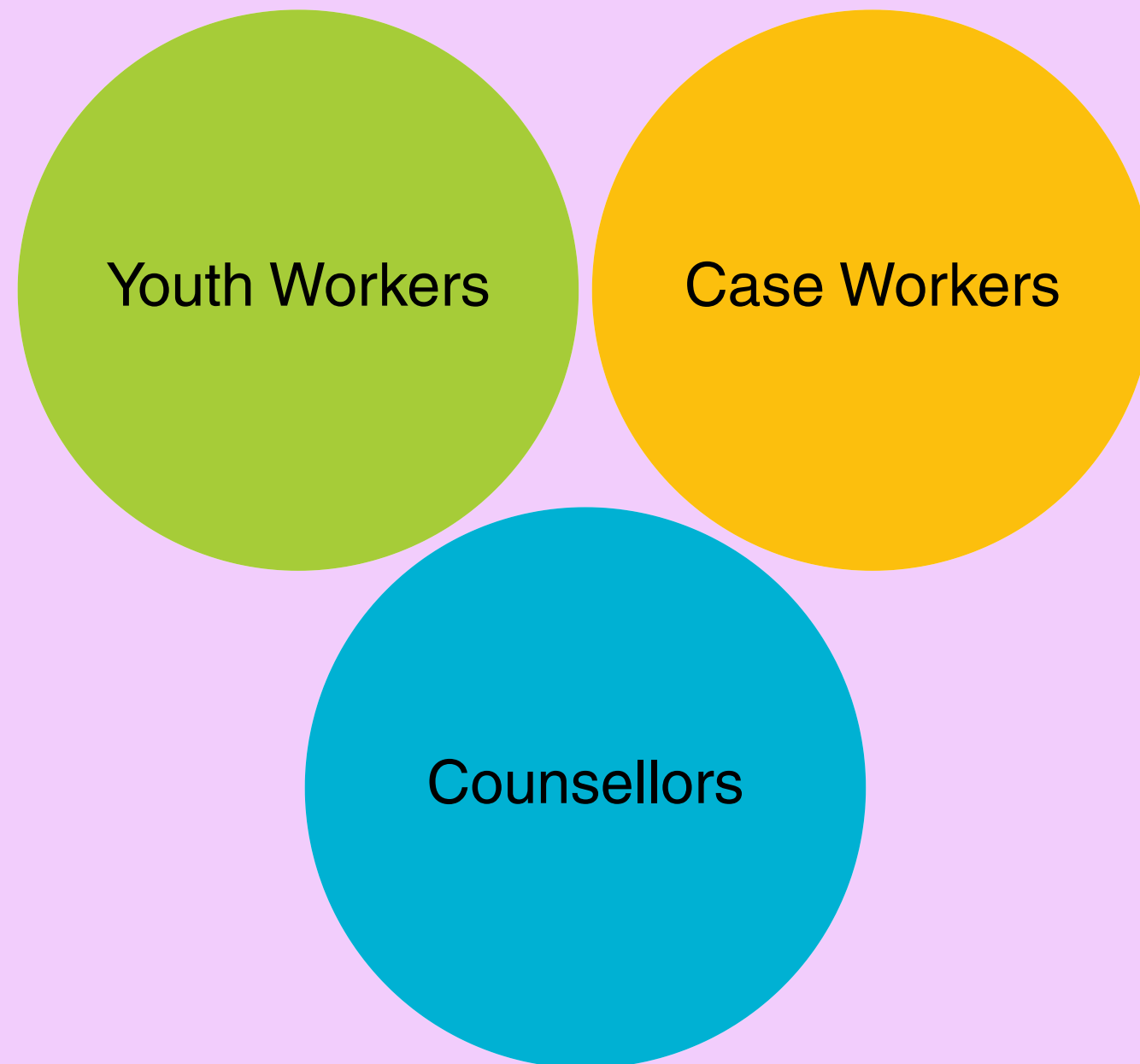
# Participant: Professional roles



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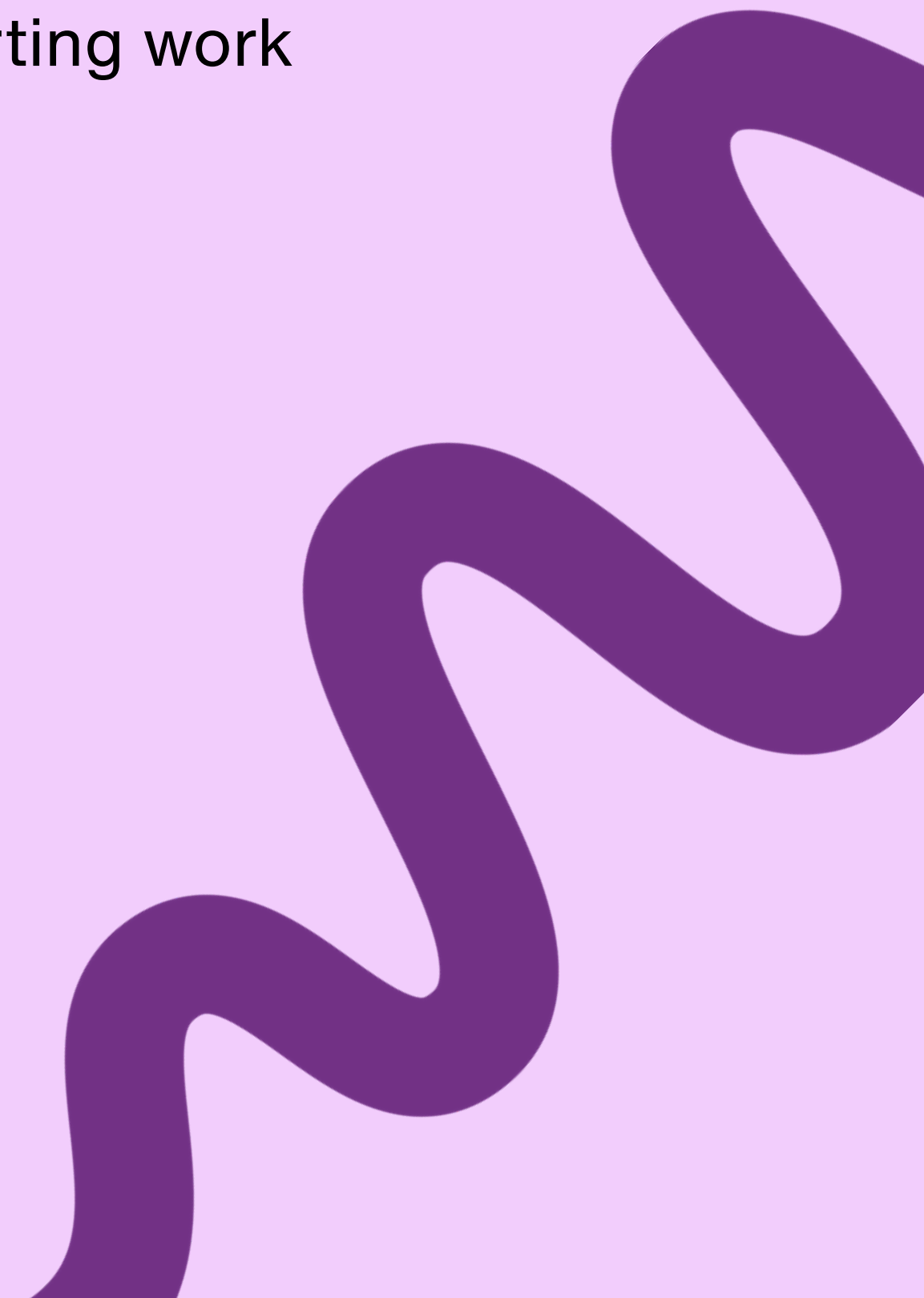
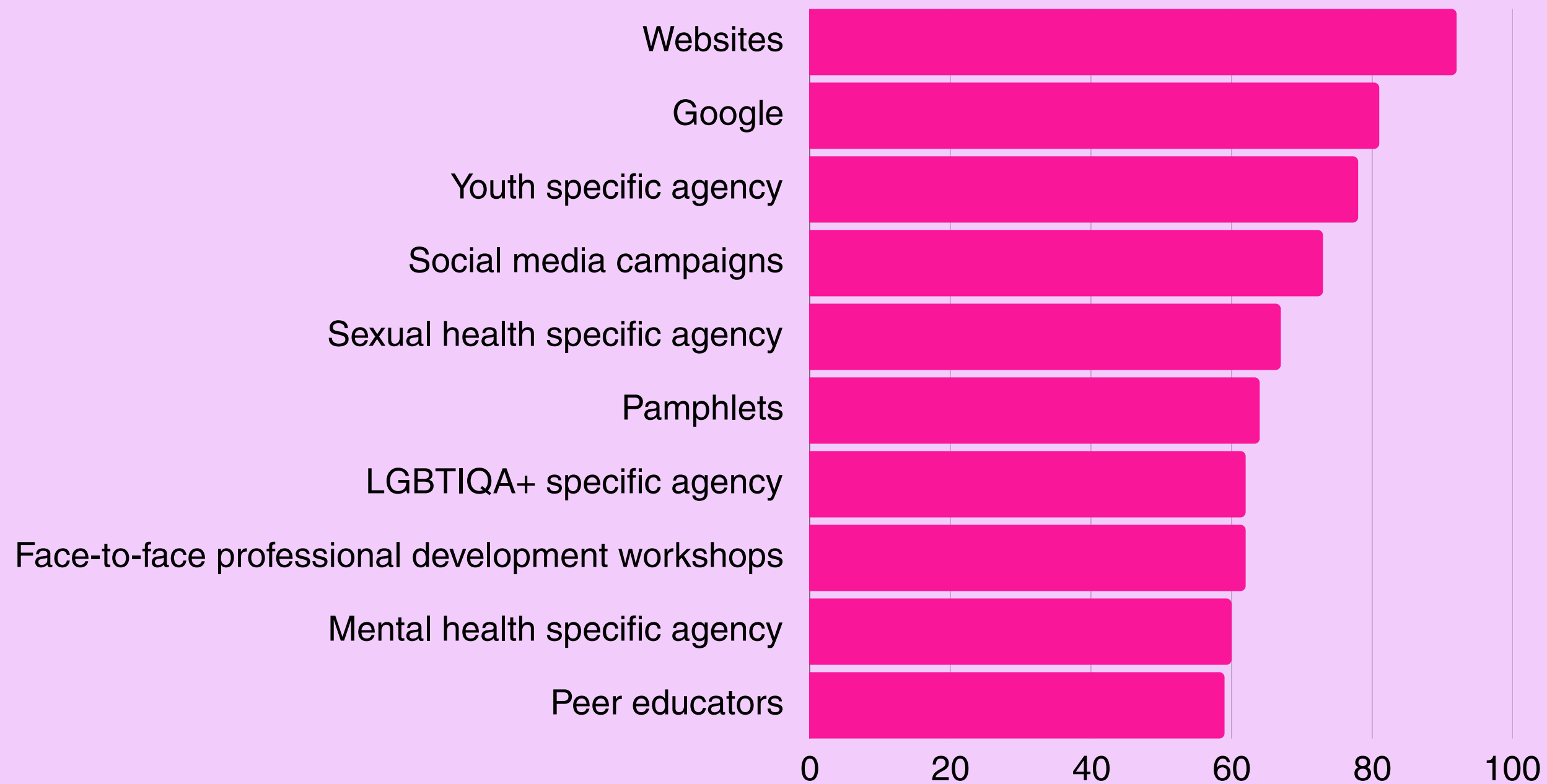
- Participants best described their professional role. The **top 3** professional roles were:



# Support & Info Sources



- Top 10 **most useful** support and information sources in supporting work to enhance the sexual wellbeing of young people were:



# Relevancy of Sexual Health



- 97% responded that sexual health matters **are relevant** to their work and client group.



- 41% believed it was **very relevant** to their work and client group.



# Organisation's 2026 Plans



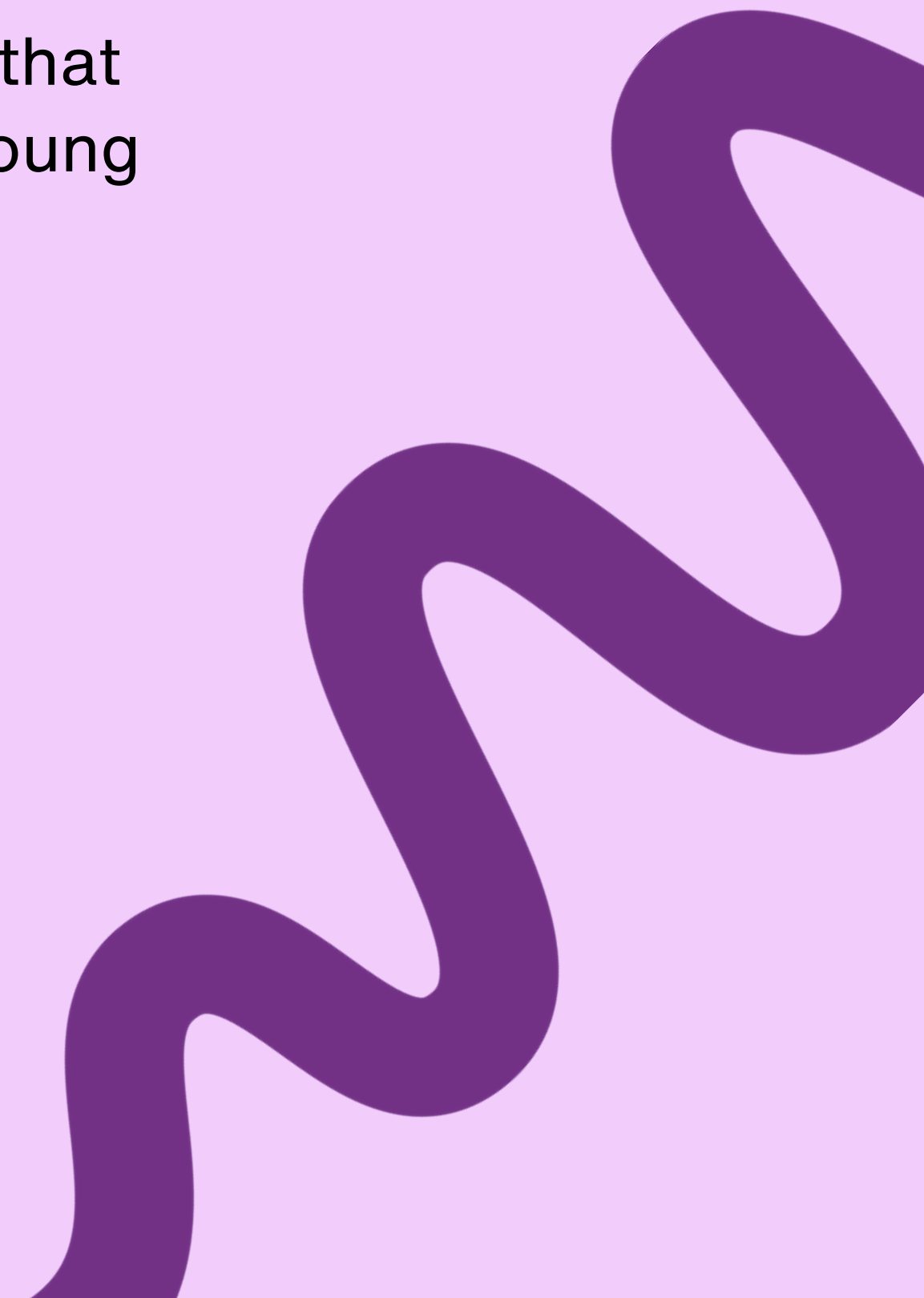
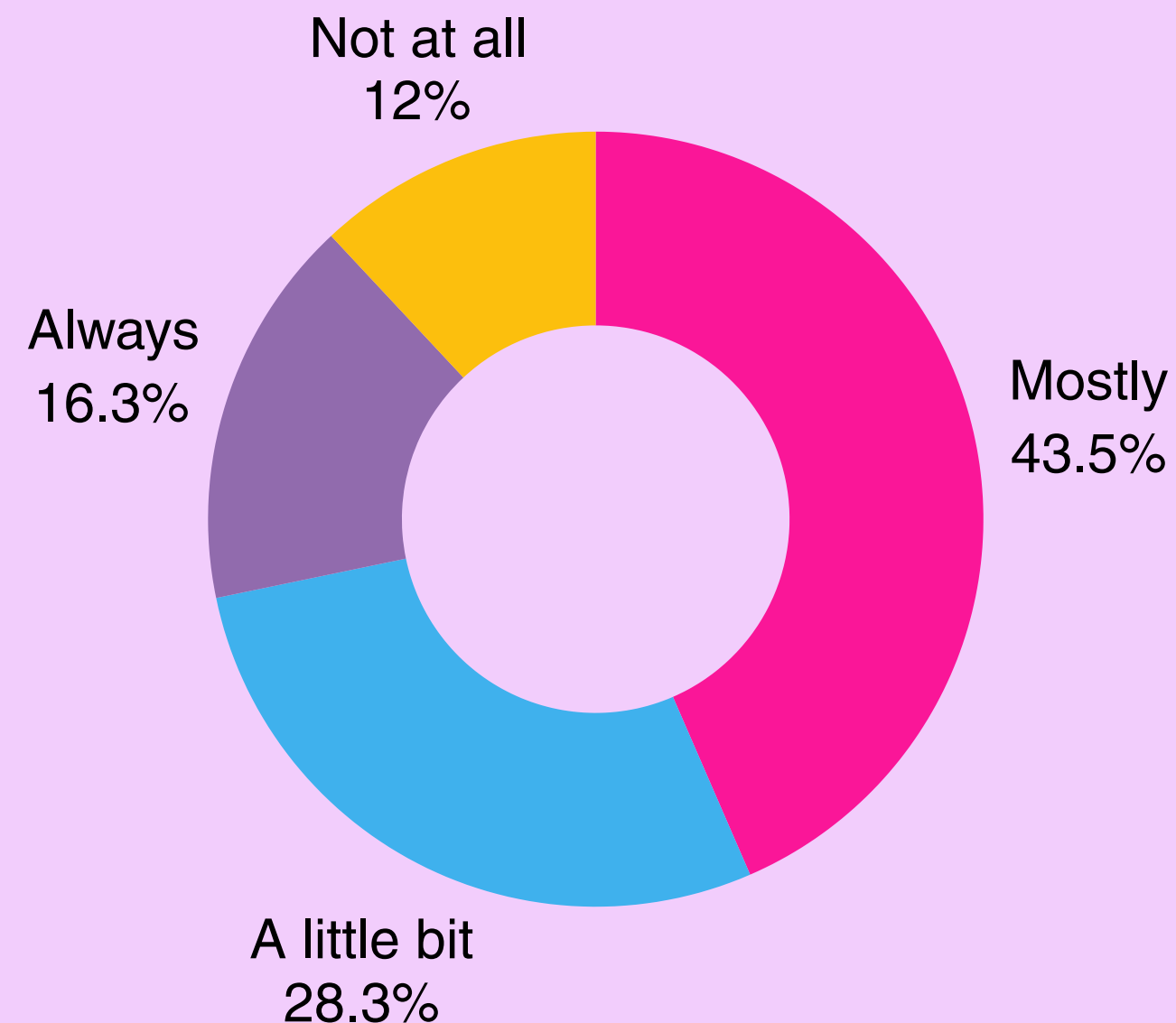
- Participant's shared what **sexual health resources** they plan on developing in the next year.

1. Support young people to increase their knowledge of sexual health services
2. Support referrals to sexual health services
3. Provide young people with information on matters sexual health
4. Promote sexual health resources already developed
5. Increase discussion of sexual health and sexuality in interactions with young people

# Workplace Culture



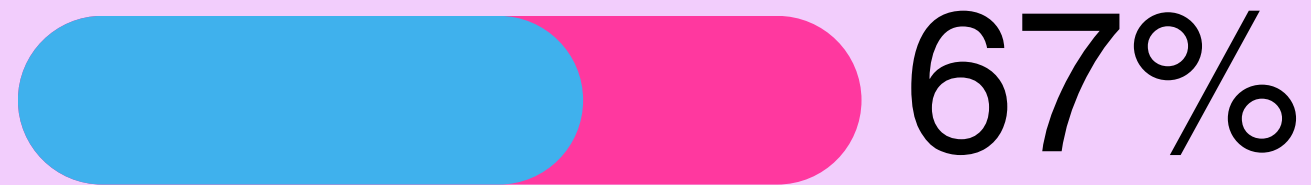
- We asked those that do not work in sexual health if they feel that their organisation encourages staff to engage and educate young people on matters related to sexual health.



# STI/BBV Referrals



- In the last year, 67% have referred or provided information for young people for STI and/or BBV testing or related support.



# Informed Youth Workers



- 75% agree that their knowledge and behaviours around youth sexual health are more likely to change, with having the content delivered by **informed youth workers** (rather than by health professionals only).



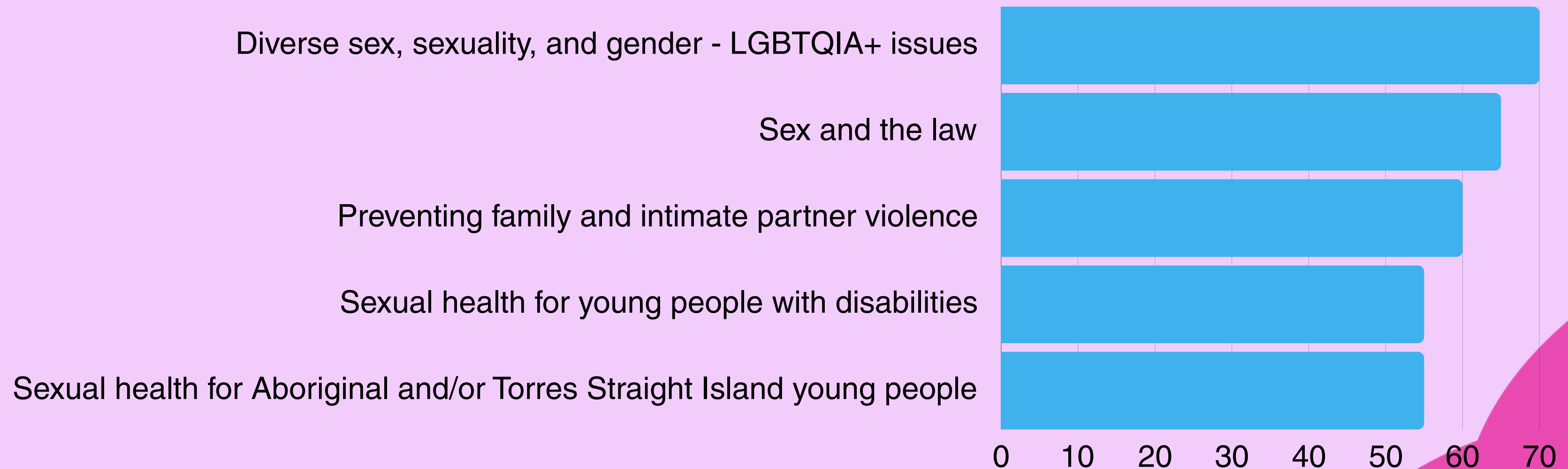
# Sexual Health Topics



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- Top 5 sexual health topics you want to know more about...



# What can YEP do?



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- When asked what educational **strategies** YEP can take to improve your knowledge...

1. Hard copy resources to use with young people
2. Online workshops (webinars) for professionals
3. Social media infographics
4. Printable posters
5. 15-60 second videos



# Perceived ease of access

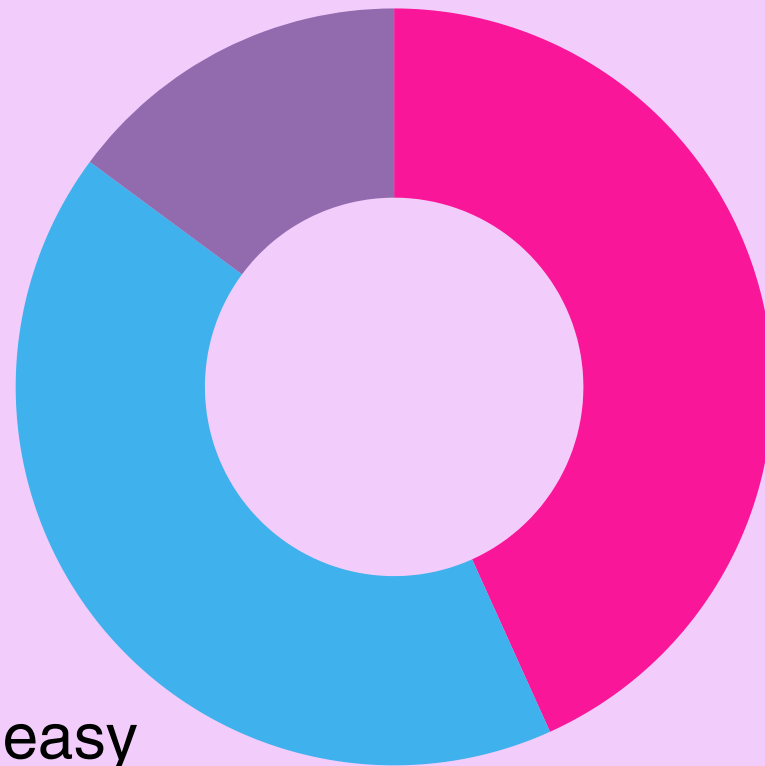


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- When asked how easy is it for your young clients to access confidential STI & BBV treatment and testing...

Quite easy  
14.9%



Not easy  
43.2%

"Very easy, IF they know where to go... Which they often do not"

"Very limited options in regional areas"

Somewhat easy  
41.9%

# Perceived barriers



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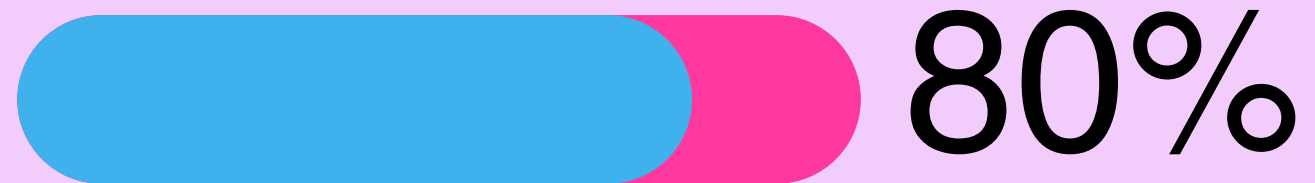
- Top 5 perceived barriers which impact on your ability to **educate or support young people** on SHBBV matters...

1. Young people's shame/embarrassment inhibiting engagement
2. Lack of parent, school and/or community support for me to educate on sexual health
3. Lack of willingness by young people to engage in educational type conversations/programs
4. Lack of accessible external education programs for young people (location, time, transport, etc)
5. Lack of knowledge, skills and/or confidence discussing relationships and/or sexual health with young people with high trauma backgrounds

# Youth Peer Educators



- 80% think young people's knowledge and behaviours around youth sexual health are likely to benefit from content delivered by **youth peer educators** rather than by adults (teachers, parents, health professionals) only.



# Interactions with YEP



- 70% had interactions with the YEP Project within the last year (online, paper-based or face-to-face)



- Top 5 most useful YEP resources in supporting young people...

1. YEP Website
2. Infographics
3. Printable Resources
4. YEP Instagram
5. An event/events



# YEP's Referral Resource



- 54% have seen or used YEP's Youth-Friendly SHBBV Boorloo/Perth Referral Resource before



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Central Services	Eastern Services
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- 85% do or will find YEP's referral resource useful in your work practice.



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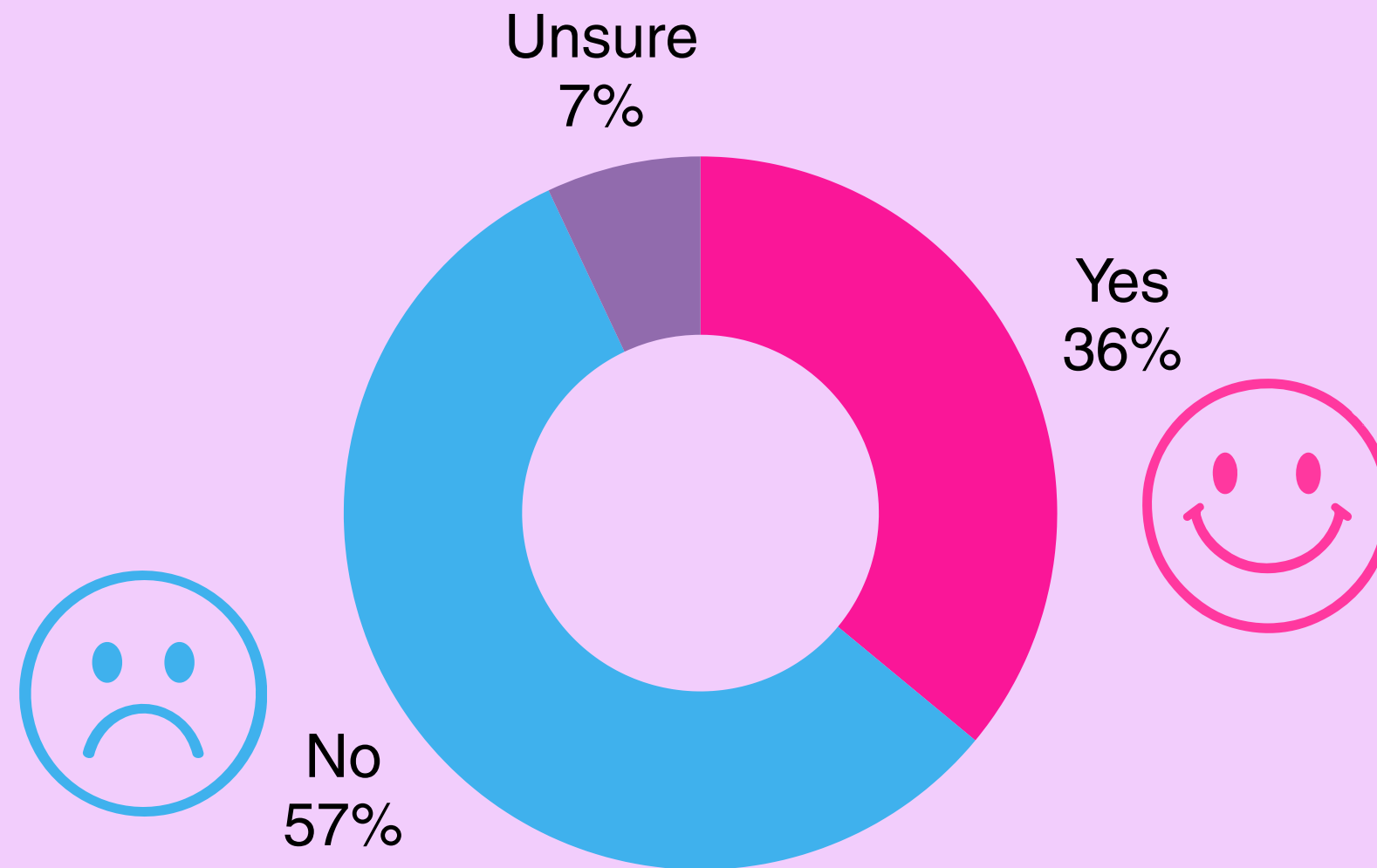
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	Durkopt Ferrigan Health Service East Perth	Hepatitis WA	Homless Health Care	Luna Northbridge	Magenta	Durkopt Ferrigan Health Service Madingley	Durkopt Ferrigan Health Service Midland
Cervical Screening							
Contraception Information							
Provides Contraception							
Counselling							
Family & Domestic Violence Support							
Free Condoms							
Free Doms							
Free Period Products							
HPV Vaccination							
Free Naloxone							
Needle & Syringe Availability and Disposal							
Peer-to-Peer Support							
PEP							
PrEP							
Pregnancy Support							
Sexual Assault Support							
ST/BBV Testing & Treatment							
Access to Termination Services							
Termination Information							
Workforce Development							
Youth Workshops							
Appointment Available							
Drop-in Available							
Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Specialist							
CxLD Specialist							
Free or subsidised							
Interpreters							
LGBTQIA+ Friendly							
LGBTQIA+ Specialist							
Transgender Friendly							
Transgender Specialist							
Medicare not required							
Wheelchair Accessible							
Opening hours vary, contact services directly							

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# YEP Research/Survey Reports



- YEP has been compiling survey data and releasing its findings for over a decade!
- When asked if you have read or accessed any YEP Project research or survey reports...



# Final Comments



We love to hear ways to improve. Thank you for taking part in our 2026 Annual YEP Sector Survey!

"Social media campaigns of where to go to access support"

"I would be interested in reading the reports.. maybe send these out if engaged with YEP for next time"

"Interactive activities and games to use with young people on topics"



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