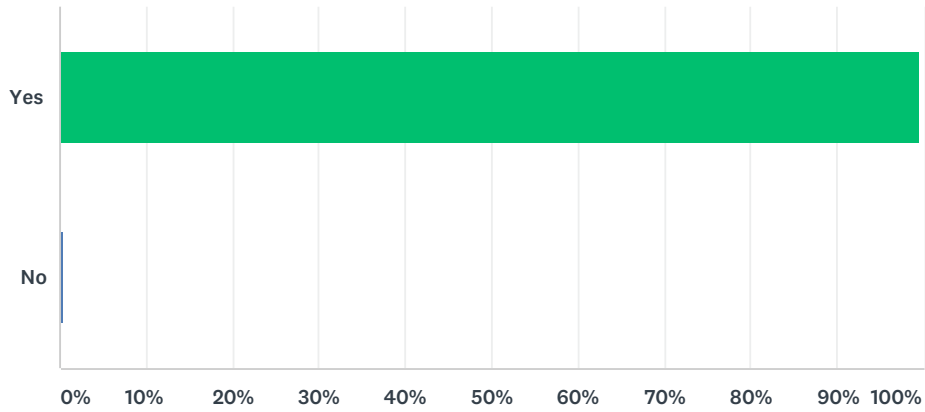


Q1 Are you over 18?

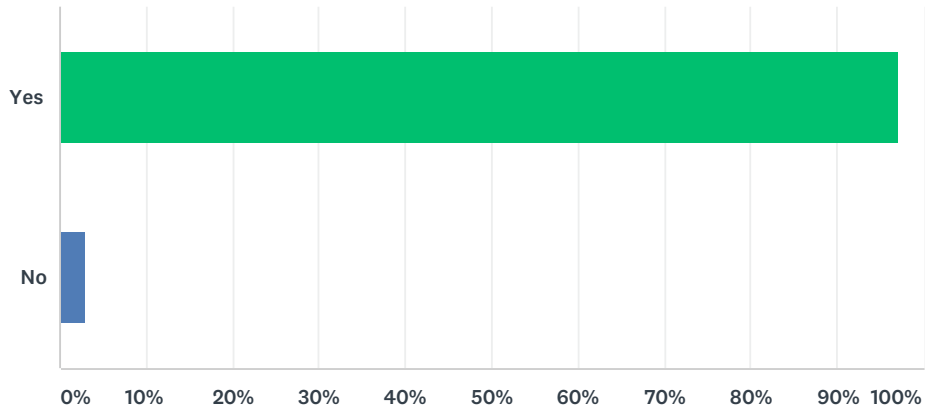
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	99.62%	265
No	0.38%	1
TOTAL		266

Q2 Are you a resident of the Kyogle Council area?

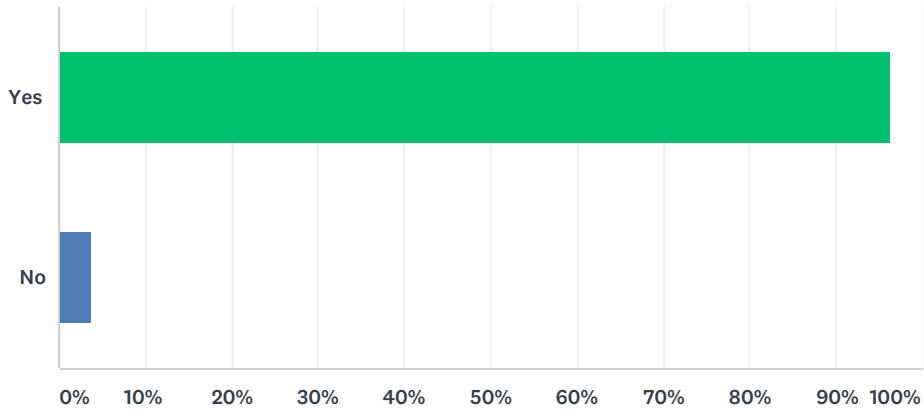
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	96.99%	258
No	3.01%	8
TOTAL		266

Q3 Are you a Kyogle Council ratepayer?

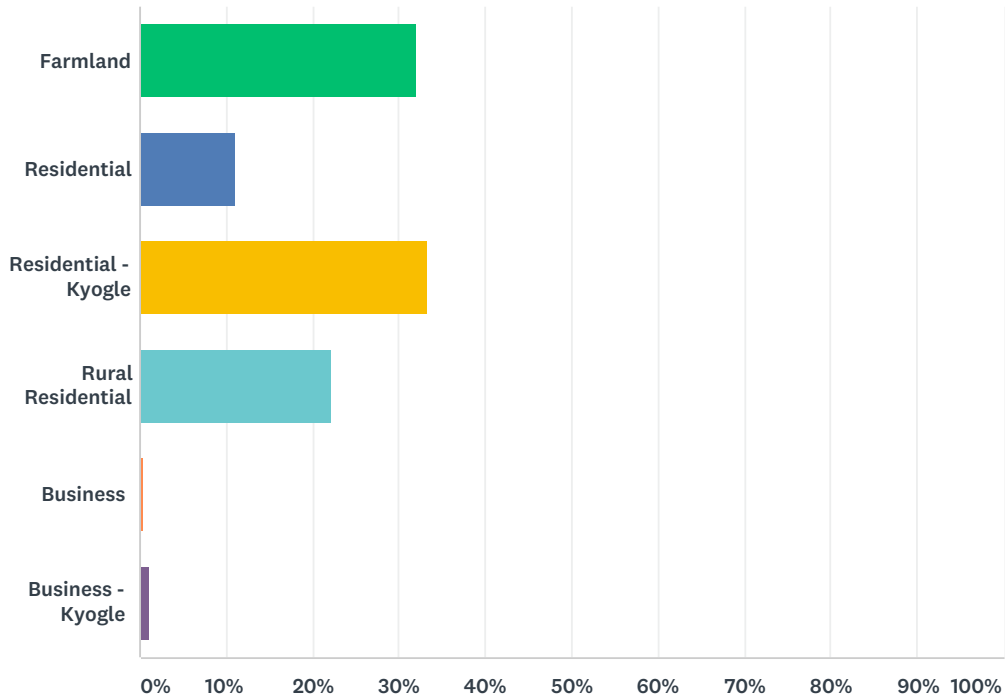
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	96.24%	256
No	3.76%	10
TOTAL		266

Q4 What rate category does your property come under?

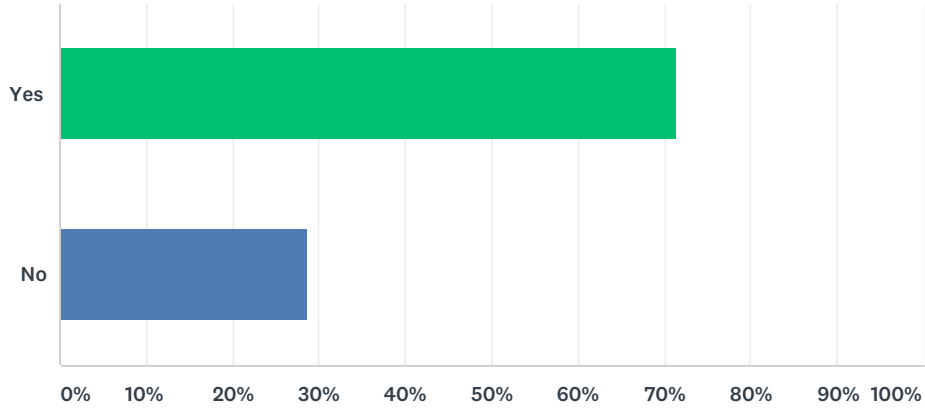
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Farmland	32.06%	84
Residential	11.07%	29
Residential - Kyogle	33.21%	87
Rural Residential	22.14%	58
Business	0.38%	1
Business - Kyogle	1.15%	3
TOTAL		262

Q5 The Council has had its proposed Long Term Financial Plan on public exhibition for a number of weeks. Have you had the opportunity to read it?

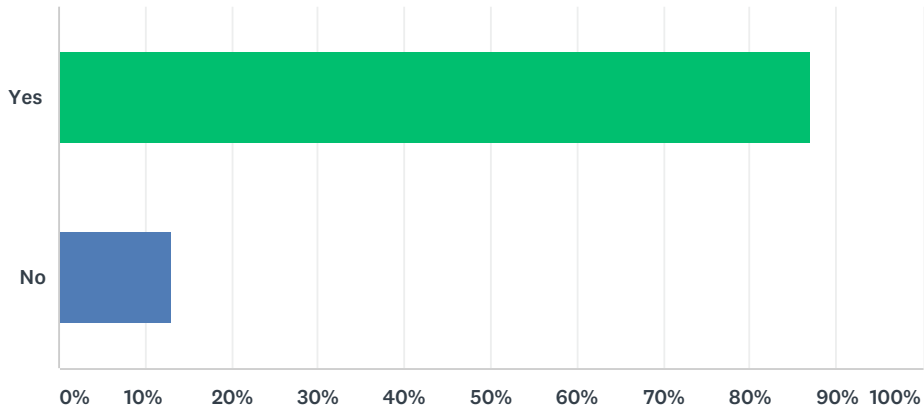
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	71.37%	187
No	28.63%	75
TOTAL		262

Q6 Do you understand the Long Term Financial Plan?

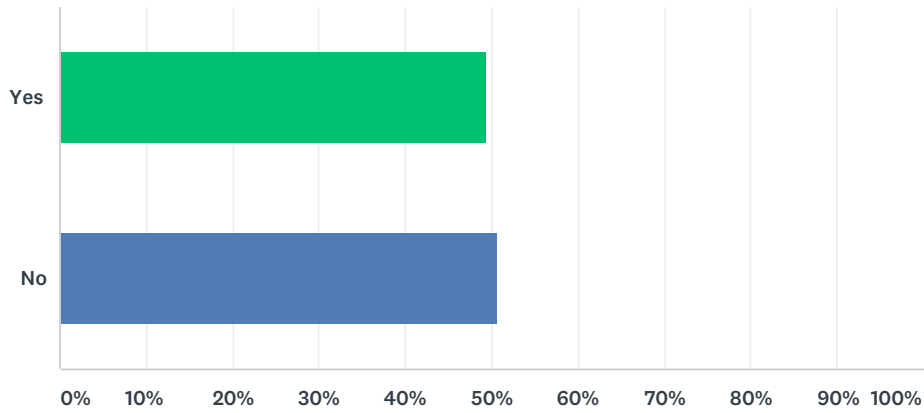
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	86.96%	220
No	13.04%	33
TOTAL		253

Q7 If yes, do you believe that Council's proposed Long Term Financial Plan as printed is achievable?

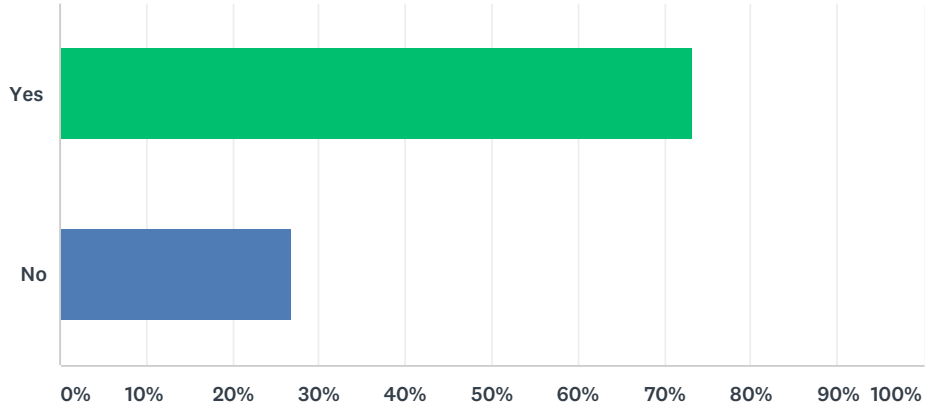
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	49.33%	110
No	50.67%	113
TOTAL		223

Q8 Do you think that the various information sources provided by Council adequately explained the proposed rate rises and how they would be applied?

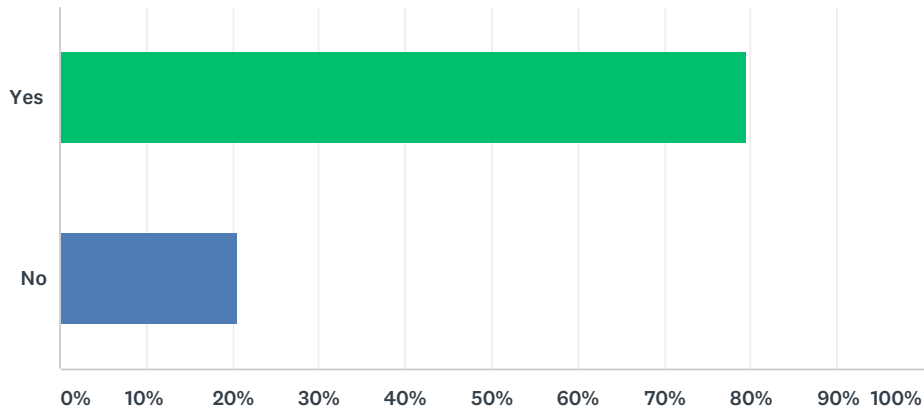
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	73.31%	184
No	26.69%	67
TOTAL		251

Q9 Council has made a four-page brochure available outlining the long-term issues. Have you had the opportunity to read this brochure?

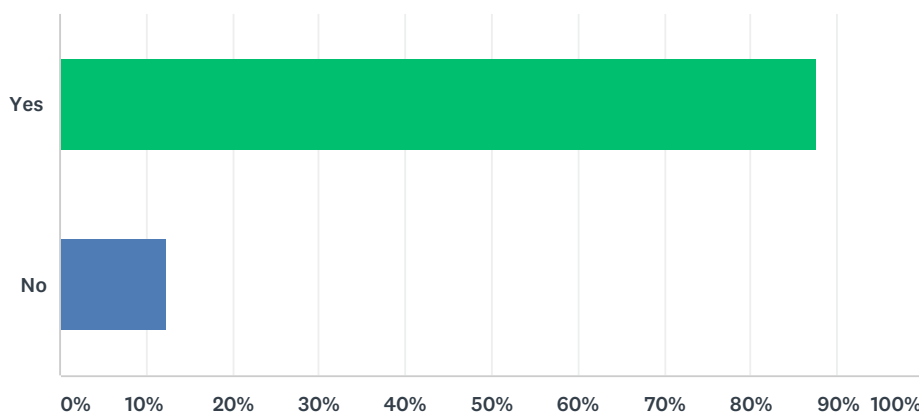
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	79.54%	206
No	20.46%	53
TOTAL		259

Q10 The brochure (on Council's website) lays out the challenge that faces Kyogle local government area to be sustainable in the long term and to be able to demonstrate to the State Government that it has a plan to become Fit for the Future. The State Government has asked councils to consider amalgamations as a way to become financially more sustainable or else tackle the changes in spending and rates needed to become sustainable without amalgamation. So there are three areas that Council would like to seek feedback from the community: maintenance of roads and bridges; the rates needed to make the council sustainable; and amalgamation of councils. Maintenance of roads and bridges is the most challenging area for Council. The cost to fix this problem is \$48 million and is growing by \$4 million a year, so there are insufficient funds to maintain our infrastructure. Obviously you will be impacted by what happens in your own location but we need to understand how you see Council's performance across the whole local government area. Do you agree that Council needs to find additional funds to fix this problem?

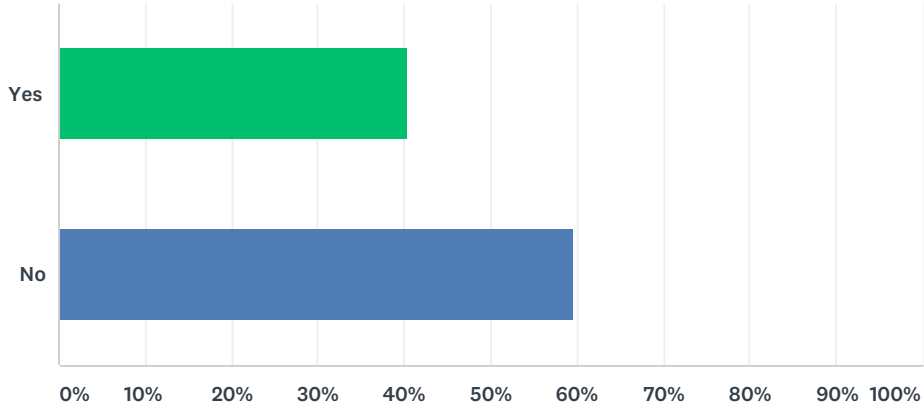
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	87.74%	229
No	12.26%	32
TOTAL		261

Q11 Looking ahead, do you have confidence that the Council will be able to make the necessary trade-offs between services provided within the money available?

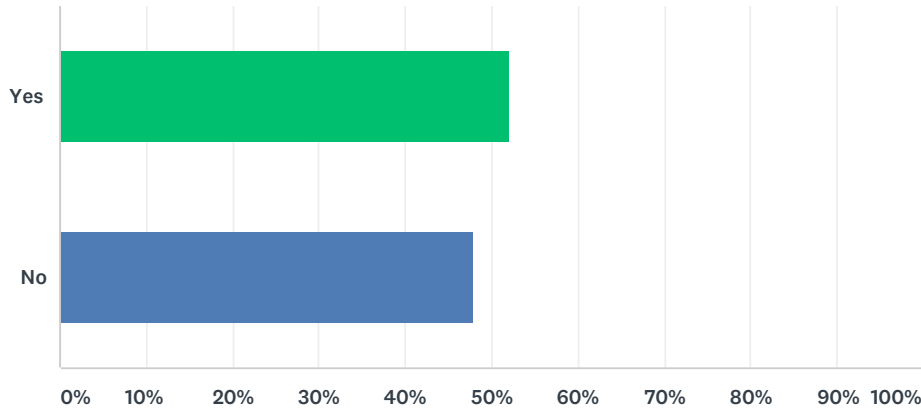
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	40.41%	99
No	59.59%	146
TOTAL		245

Q12 Rates Regardless of amalgamation or maintenance trade-offs, our financial resources will not be sufficient to meet future needs. Information provided to the community includes a comparison between the pegged rate rises over the next seven years and proposed rate rises over seven years. Would the rate increase under LTFP Option 2 be affordable for you?

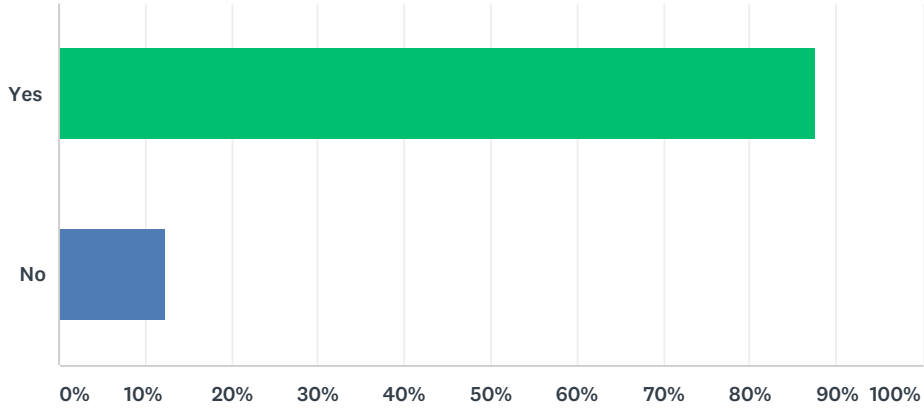
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	52.16%	133
No	47.84%	122
TOTAL		255

Q13 Do you understand why Council is hoping to apply to the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal for rate rises above the pegged limit of 2.3%?

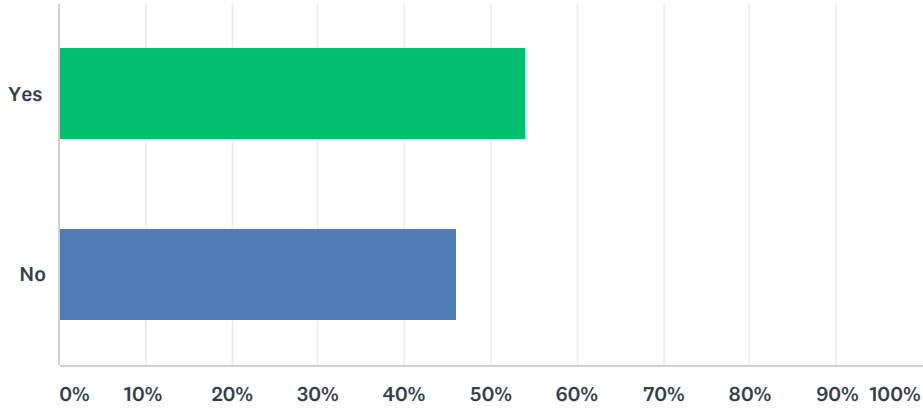
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	87.69%	228
No	12.31%	32
TOTAL		260

Q14 Based on what you understand about the Long Term Financial Plan are you in favour of Council applying to the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal for an above pegging rate increase?

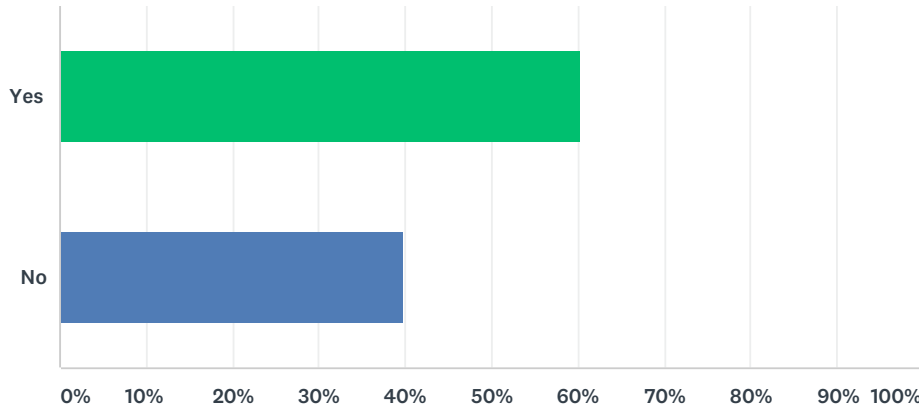
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	53.94%	137
No	46.06%	117
TOTAL		254

Q15 AmalgamationThe Independent Local Government Review Panel has suggested Kyogle Council should consider amalgamation with either Richmond Valley or Lismore City Council. The NSW State Government supports that recommendation and to that end has provided some financial incentives. Should Council explore this option and provide the community with further information?

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	60.15%	157
No	39.85%	104
TOTAL		261