

CSC Report and Survey Summary 2022

Friday, March 18, 2022

Results online

Use the link in the CSC Minutes (in the cloud)

The results of the CSC survey was discussed at length.

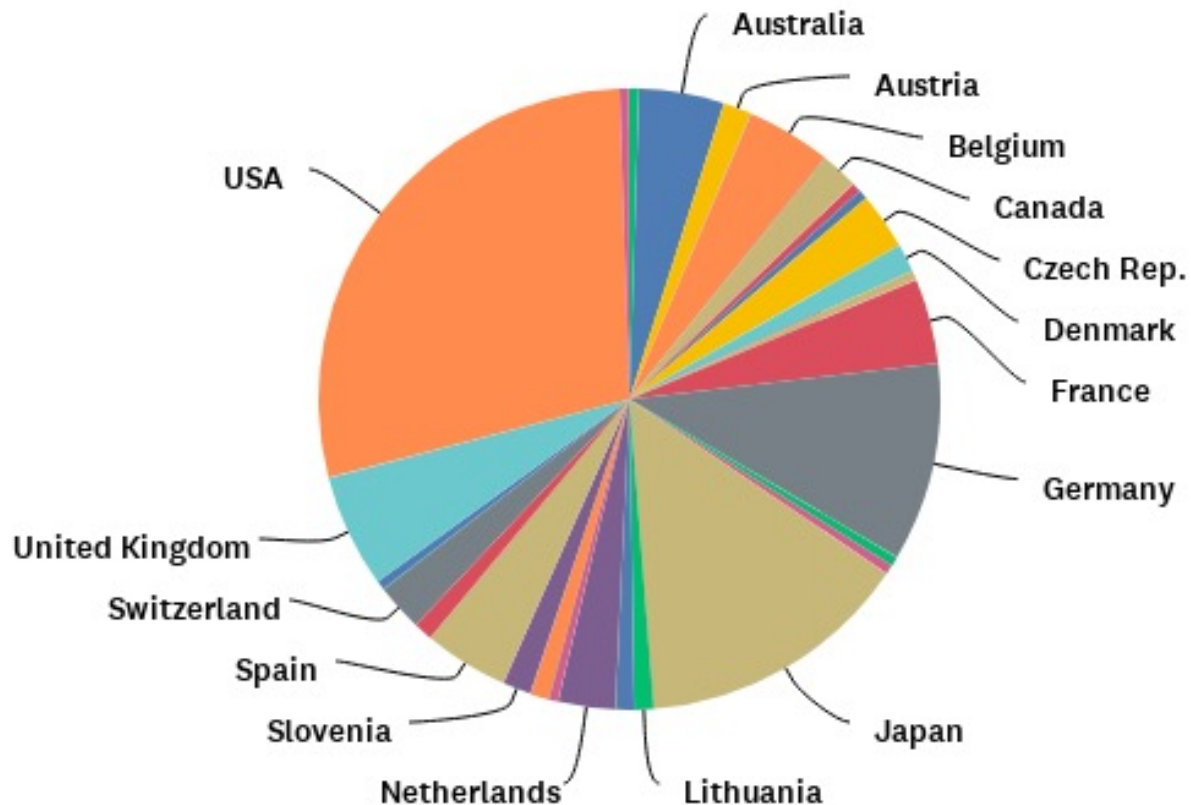
203 responses were received and the results can be found here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/results/SM-2X8CZJ2Q9/>

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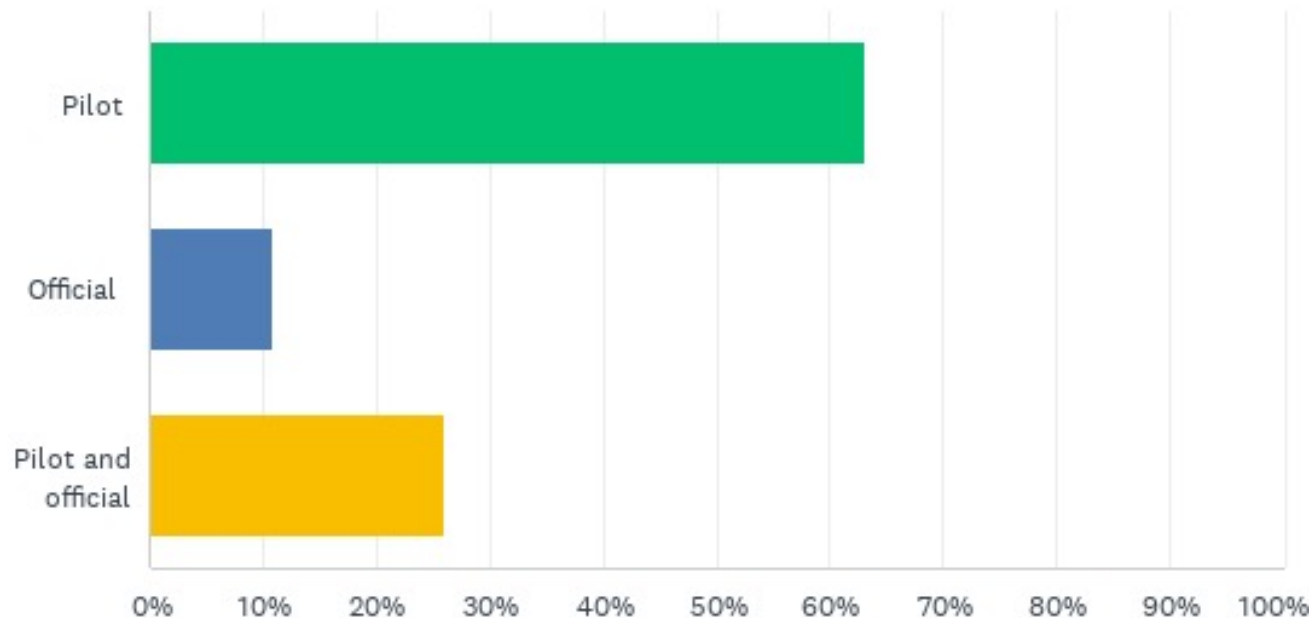
Q1: Which Country Do You Represent? (27 countries in total)

Answered: 203 Skipped: 0



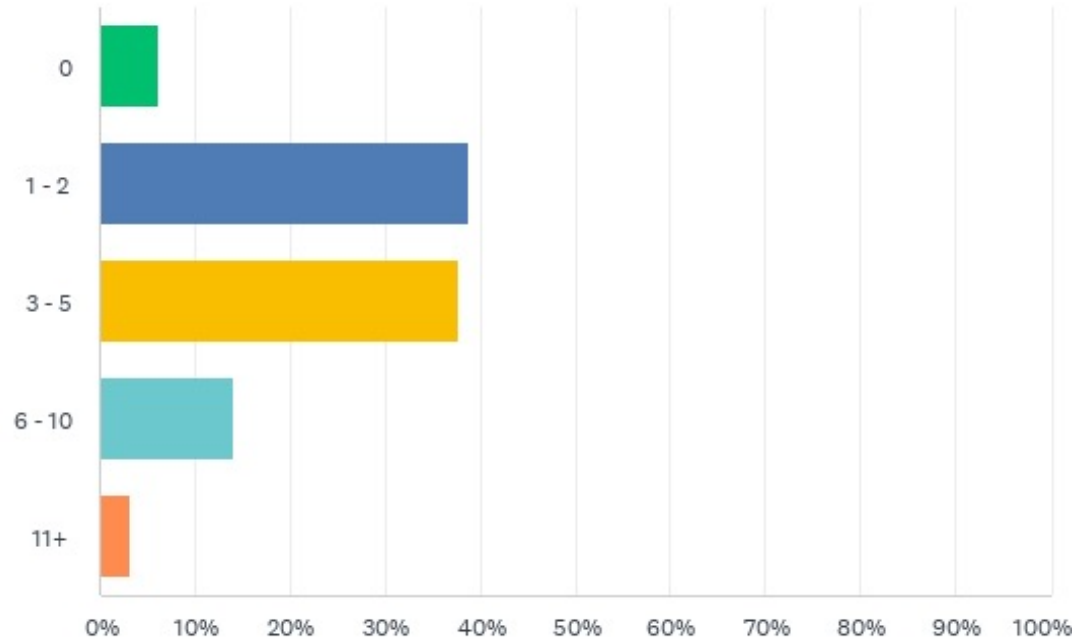
Q2: How are you involved in competition ballooning

Answered: 203 Skipped: 0



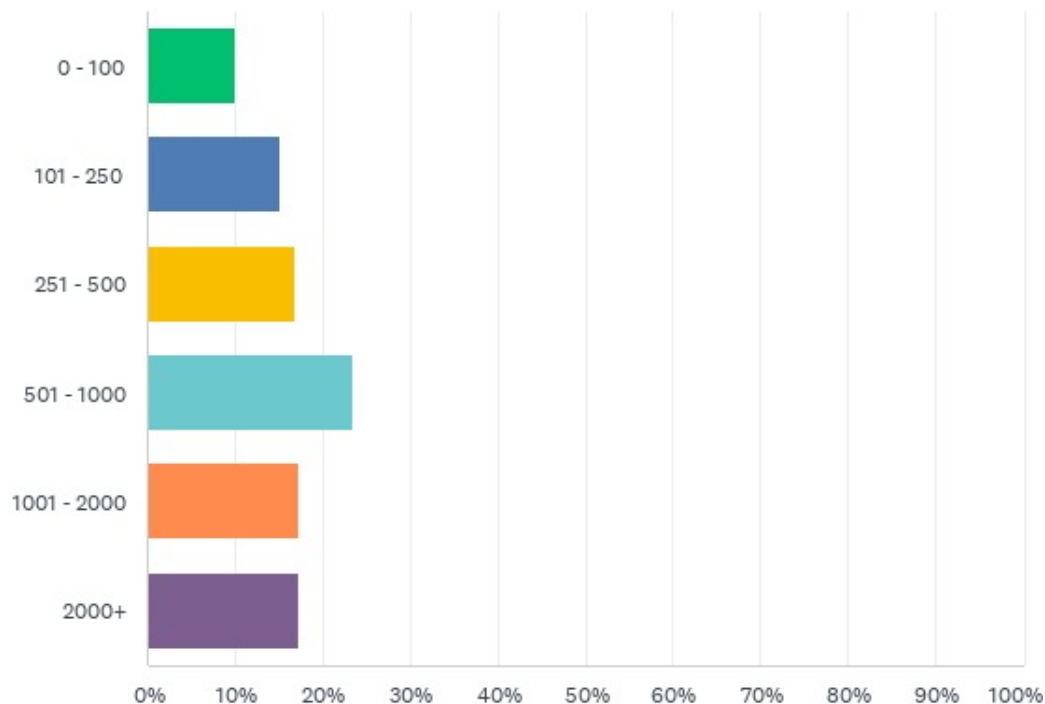
Q4: EVENTSHow many events (competitions) per year do you normally compete in?

Answered: 191 Skipped: 12



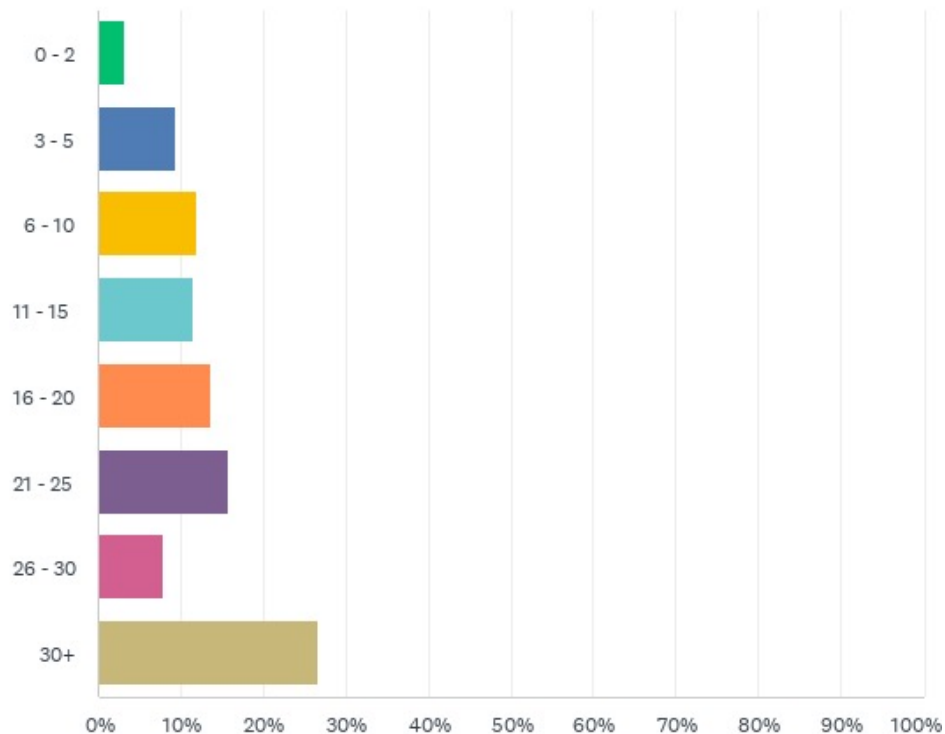
Q5: HOURHow many hours have you logged in hot air balloons?

Answered: 191 Skipped: 12



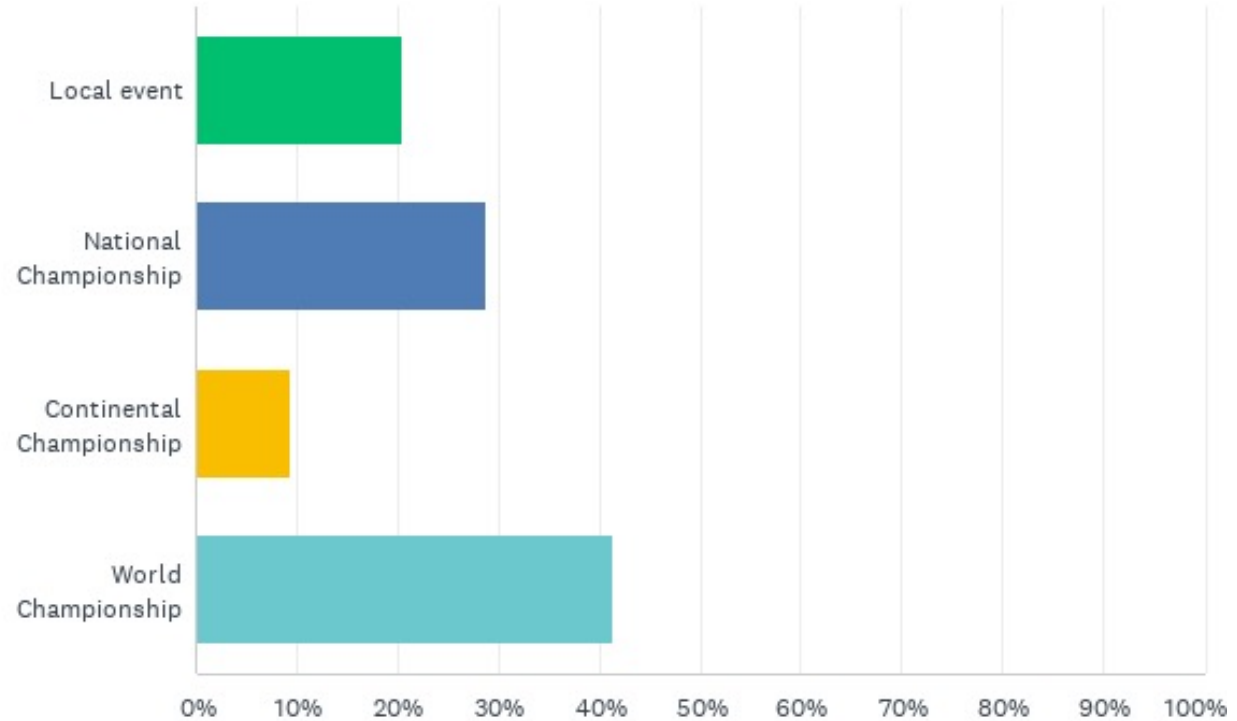
Q6: YEARS How many years have you been flying hot air balloons?

Answered: 191 Skipped: 12



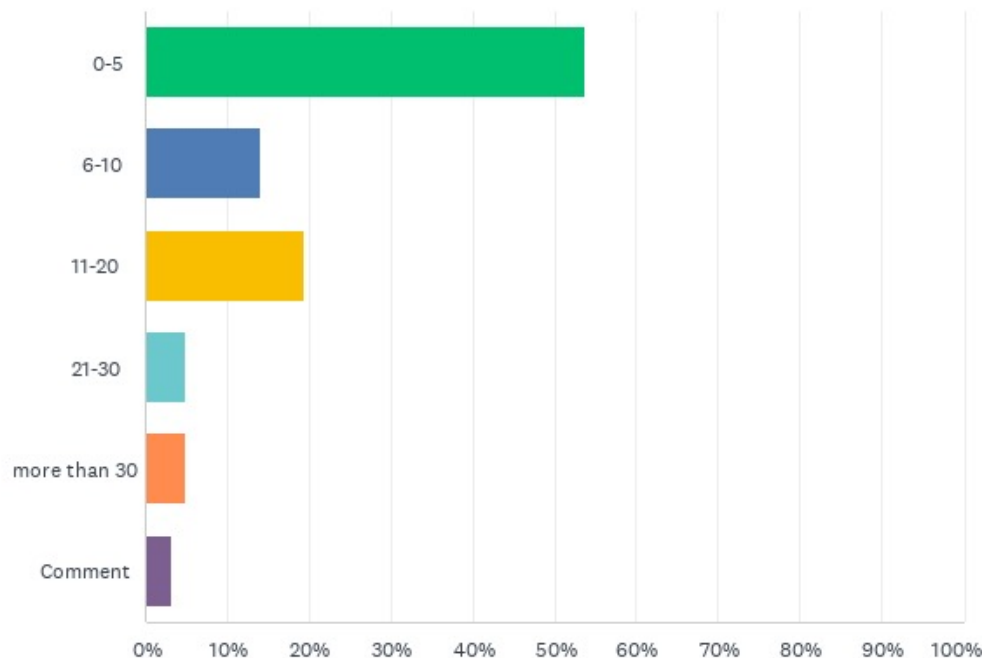
Q7: LEVEL OF COMPETITIONWhat is the HIGHEST level of competition you have ever competed in?

Answered: 191 Skipped: 12



Q9: In how many FLIGHTS have you used the balloon live app?

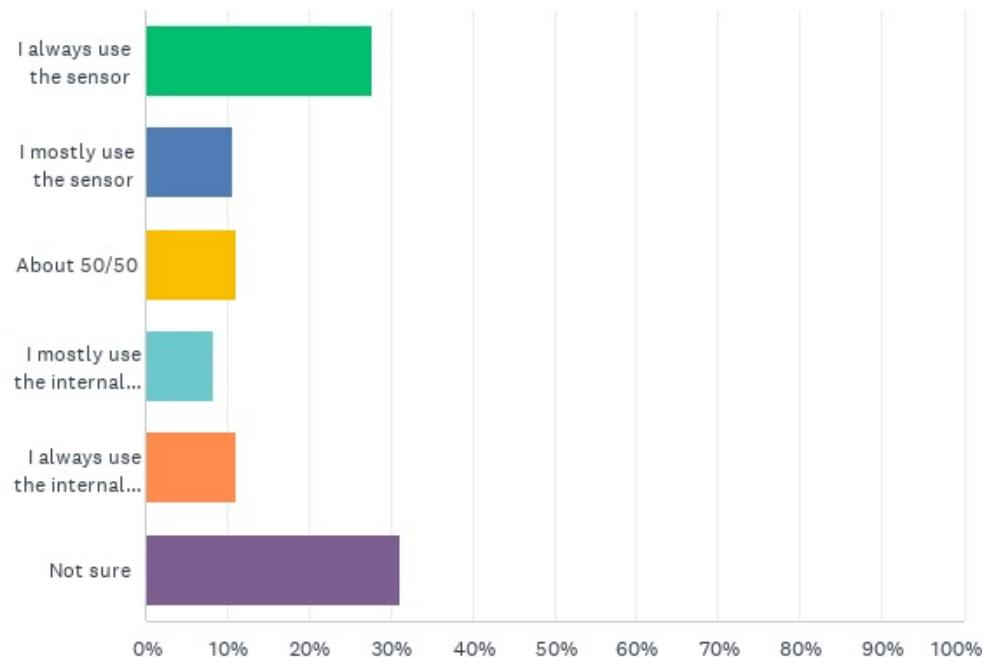
Answered: 186 Skipped: 17



Q10: Balloon Live Sensor vs Internal GPS

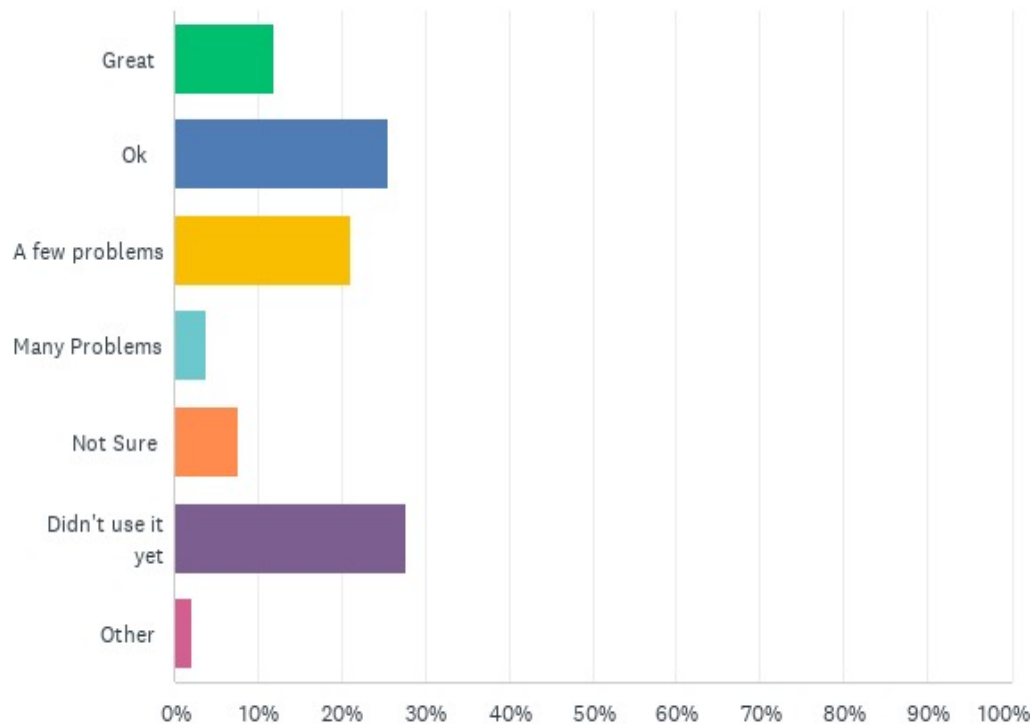
How often do you use the Balloon Live Sensor with the App?

Answered: 170 Skipped: 33



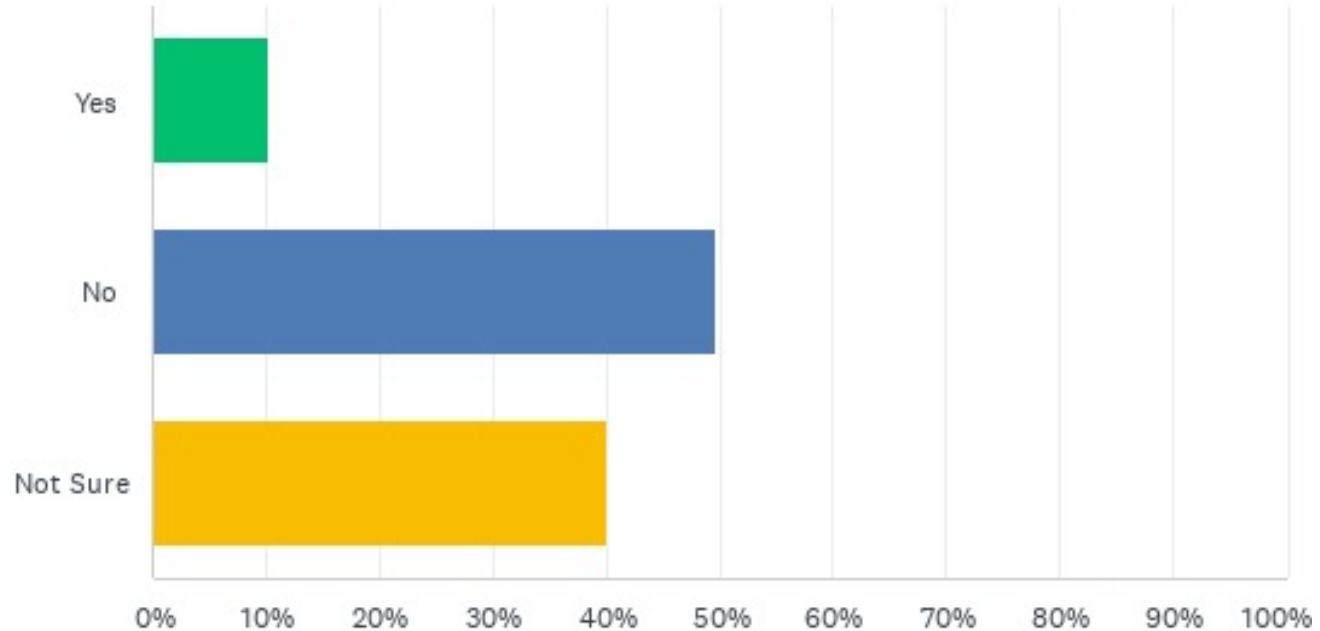
Q11: Balloon Live AppHow would you rate your experience with the app so far?'

Answered: 184 Skipped: 19



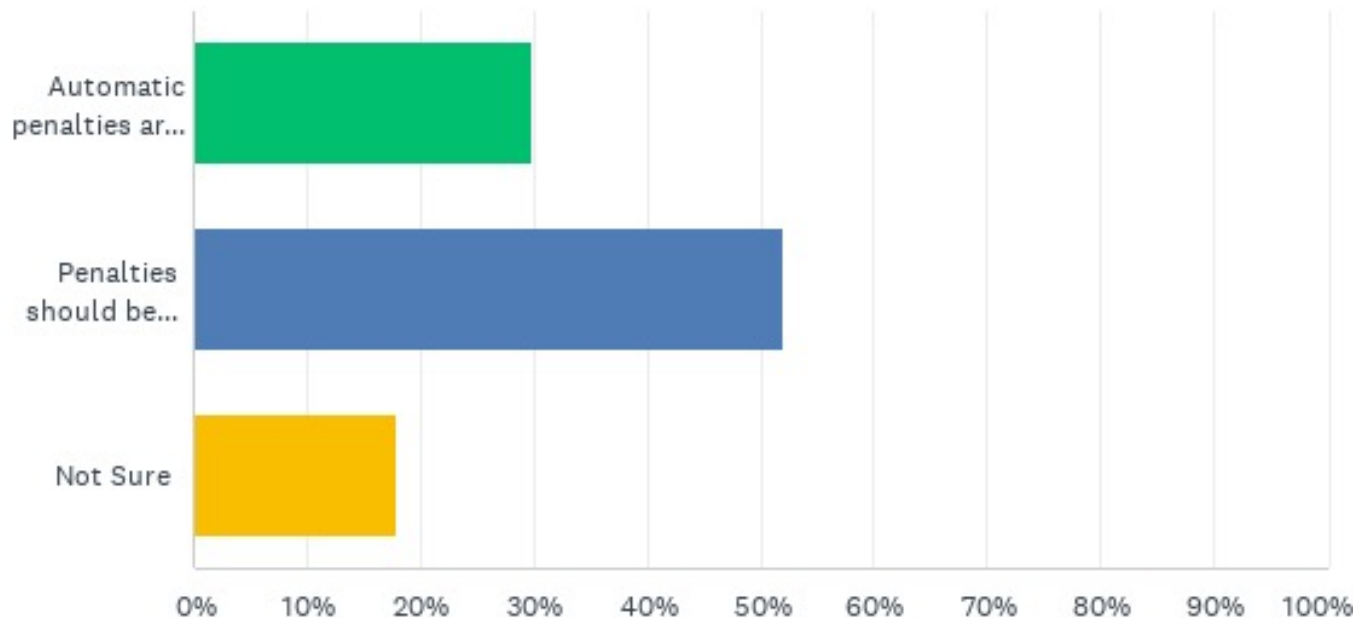
Q15: If such a decentralized competition was organized regularly, should it be run as an FAI CAT1 event?

Answered: 165 Skipped: 38



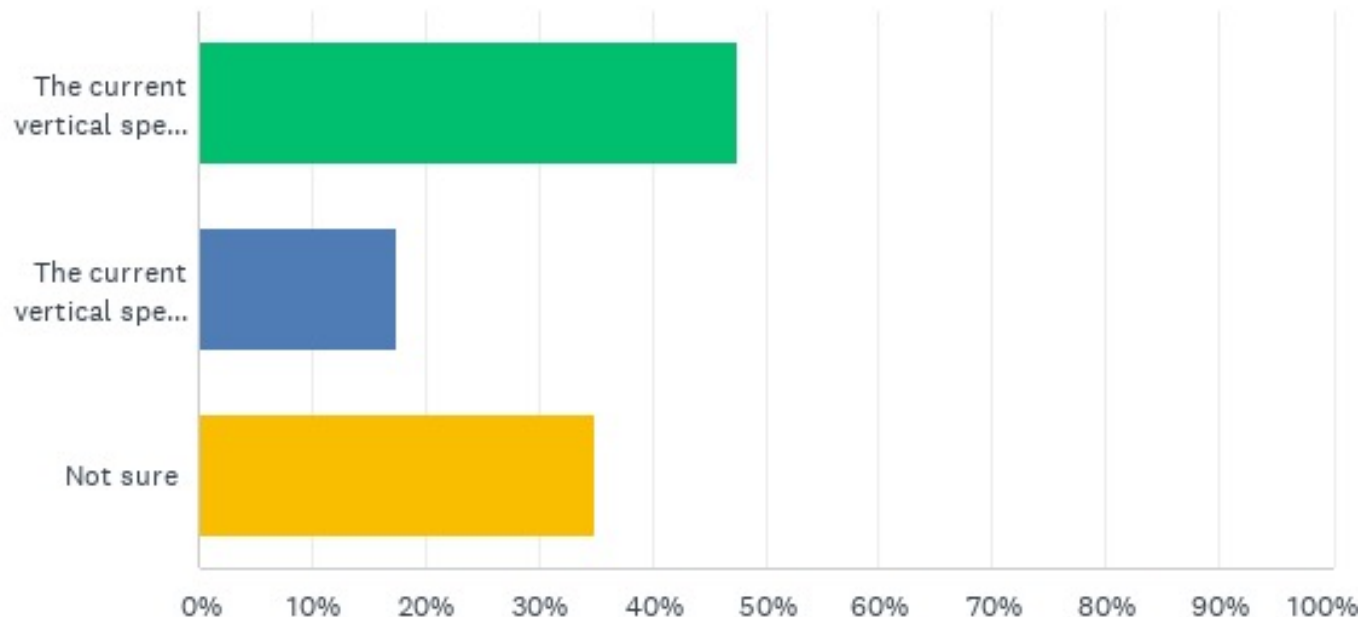
Q20: Are automatic penalties fair?

Answered: 167 Skipped: 36



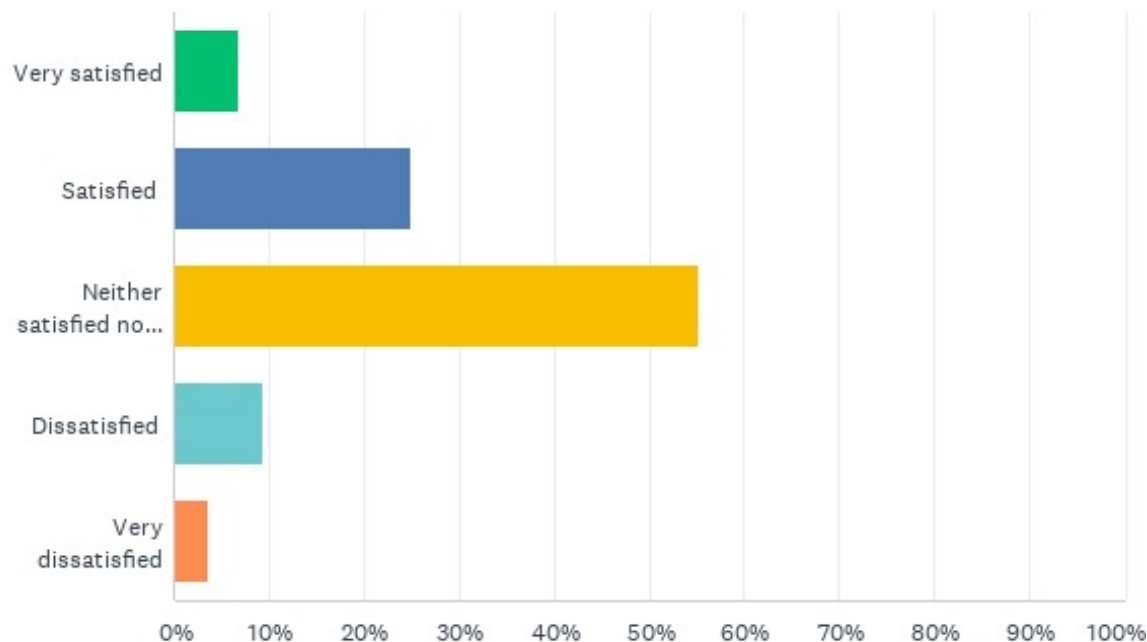
Q21: Are the current vertical speed limits used for penalties fair?

Answered: 166 Skipped: 37



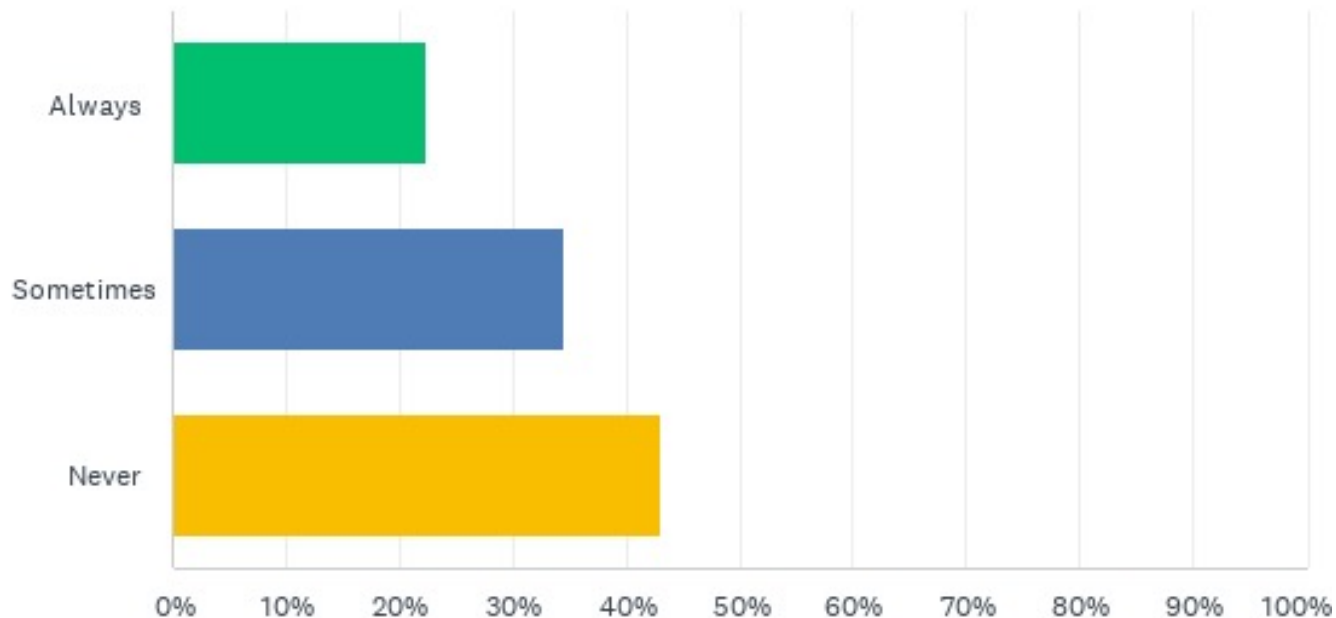
Q22: How satisfied are you with the way the World Ranking List works?

Answered: 161 Skipped: 42



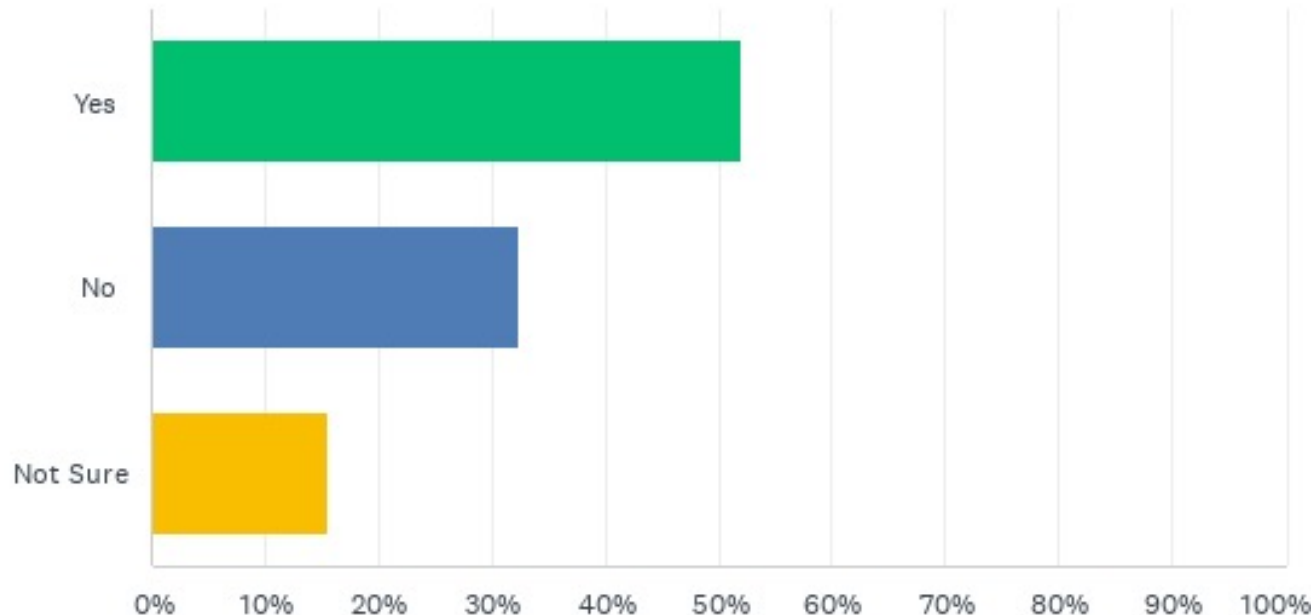
Q24: Do you use a PAPER map in competition?

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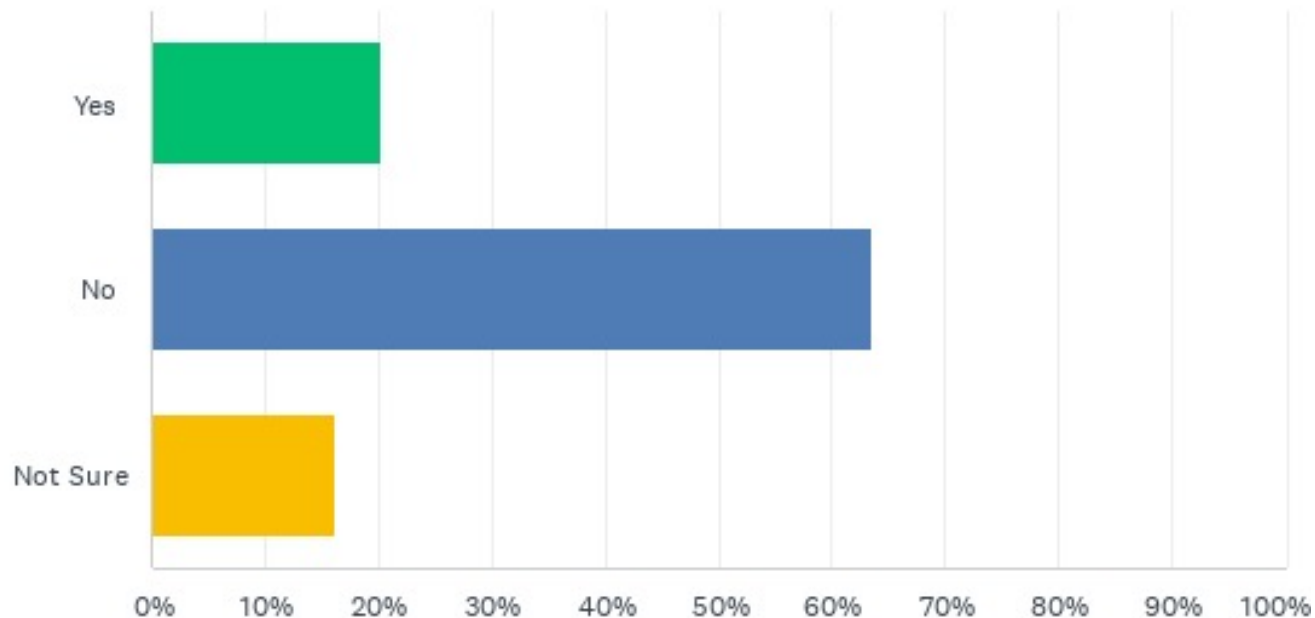
Q25: Should events continue to provide PAPER maps? (Remember there is a cost to produce these maps)

Answered: 167 Skipped: 36



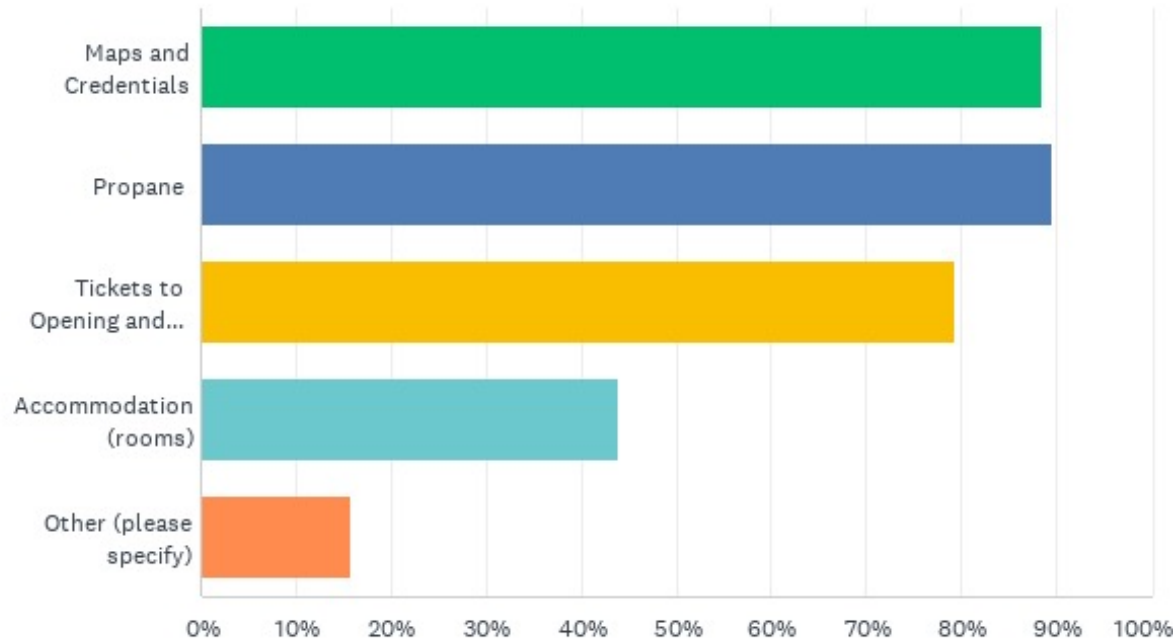
Q27: Have you ever used Open Topo maps in competition?

Answered: 167 Skipped: 36



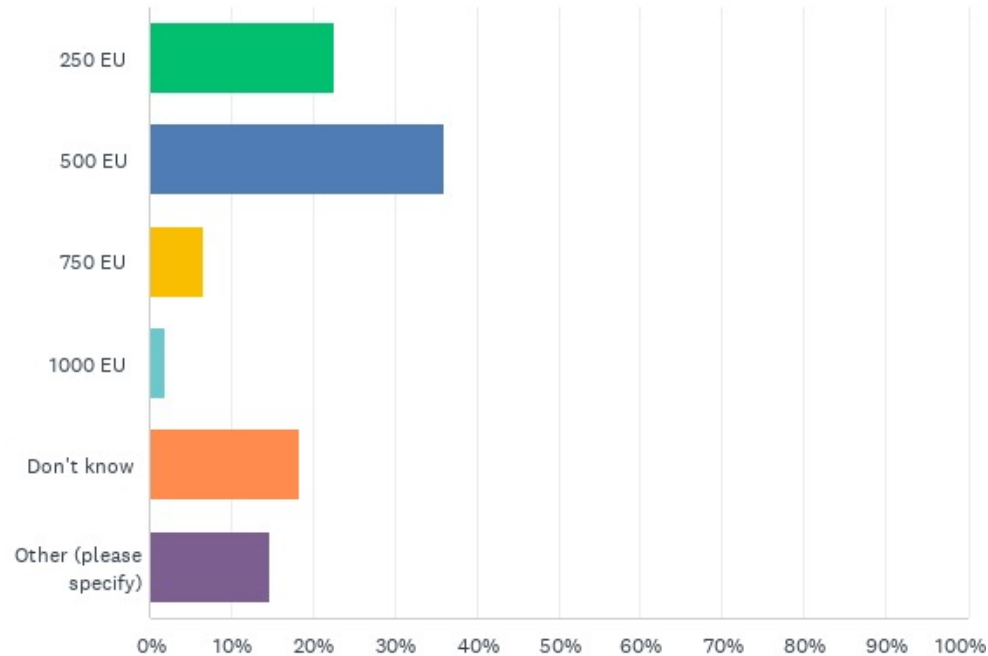
Q29: What are the MINIMUM services that should be provided to a pilot when entering a CAT1 event?

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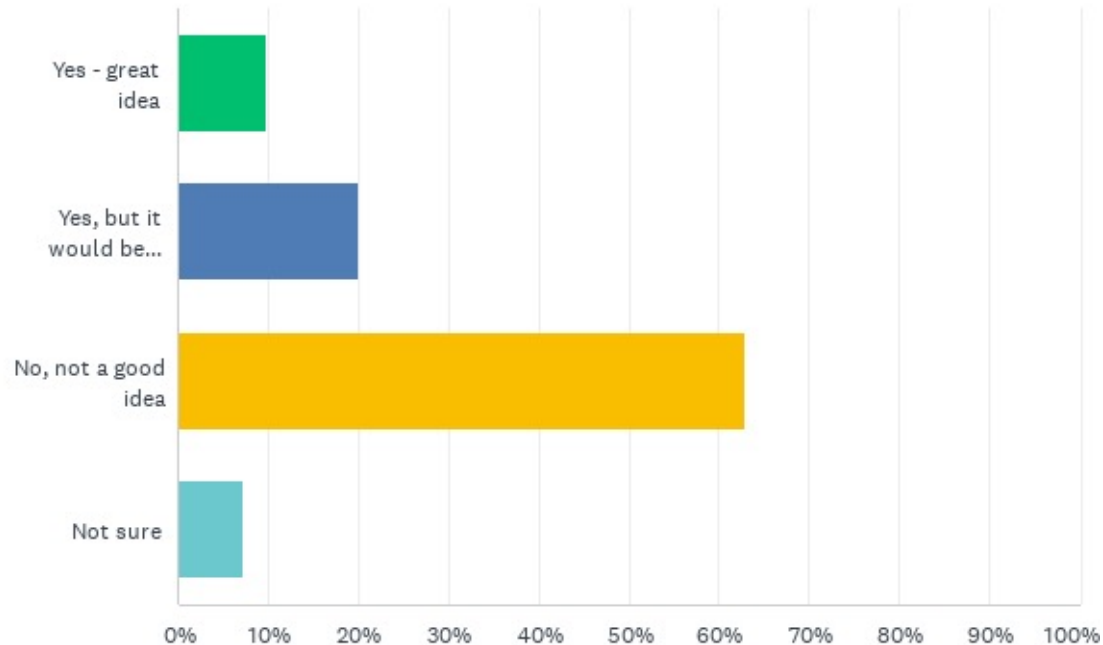
Q30: For the MINIMUM services you listed in the previous question, what is an acceptable Entry Fee?

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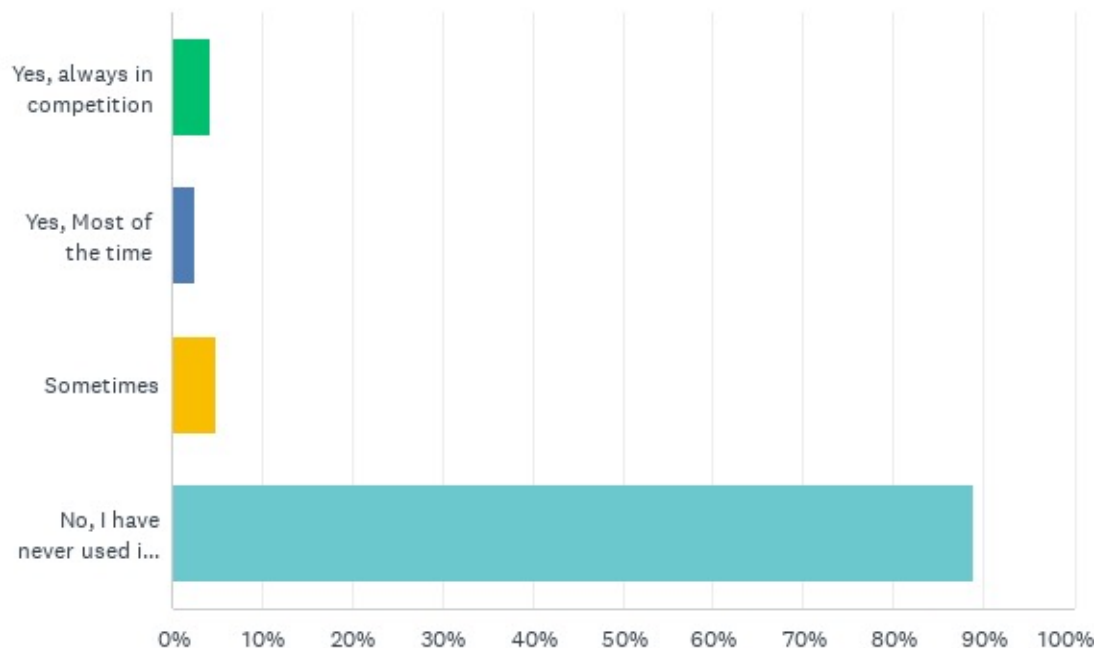
Q33: Do you think Competition events should have their briefings remotely (through zoom etc.)?

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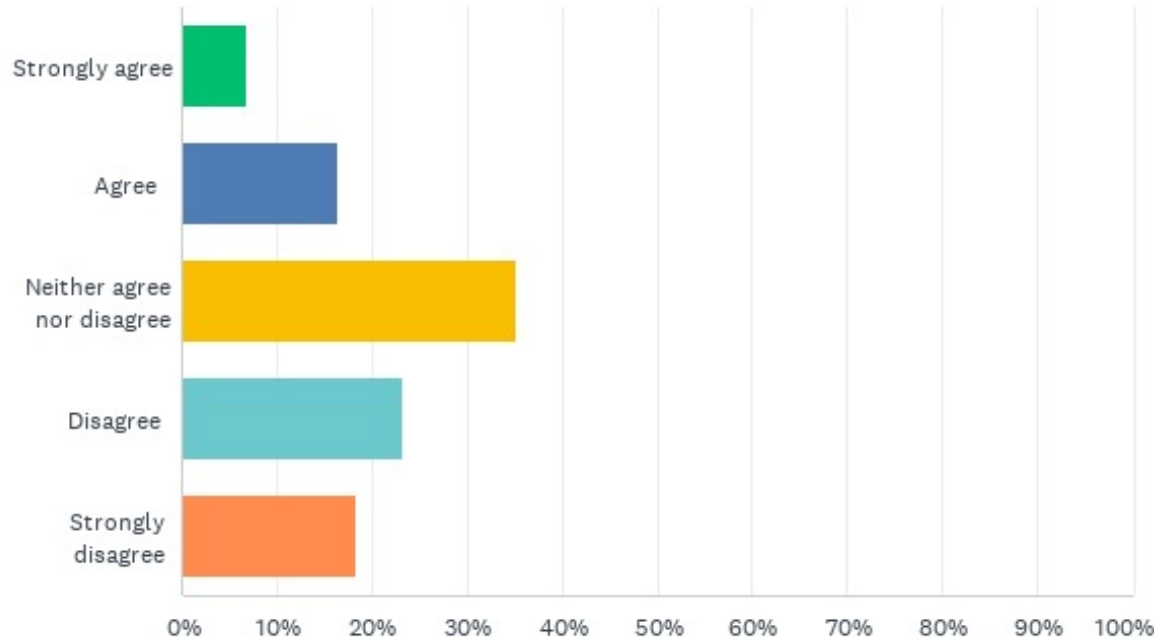
Q34: In competition, do you use a camera mounted on the TOP of your balloon to see balloons above you?

Answered: 161 Skipped: 42



Q35: Should competitors be REQUIRED to have a Camera on the top of their balloon to see balloons above in CAT 1 events?

Answered: 159 Skipped: 44



BACKGROUND TO MOTION 1

Invitation process:

All countries be represented

The best pilots from around the world

There is not an equal number of “top pilots” in each country

We are at or near the limit of maximum number of competitors (100+5)

BACKGROUND TO MOTION 1

As a comparison:

If we go to 3 per country (with a field of 100+5) we would likely eliminate 44 of the top 106 pilots in the world

42% of the worlds top pilots would not be allowed to attend

This reduces the value of it being a World Championship

MOTION 1

“To modify the sporting code to reflect that for General AX World Championships:

The organising NAC shall issue an invitation for an equal number of two competitors to each eligible NAC.”

Recommendation to Delegates

It is clear that given the reduced number of quality bids, delegates often vote to approve events that are not of sufficient quality to achieve the goals of world-class competition.

We would like to ask that if the bids being presented are not of sufficient quality, that delegates discuss with their competitors in advance and be prepared to vote for quality even if that means there will be no championship in a given year.

BACKGROUND TO MOTION 2

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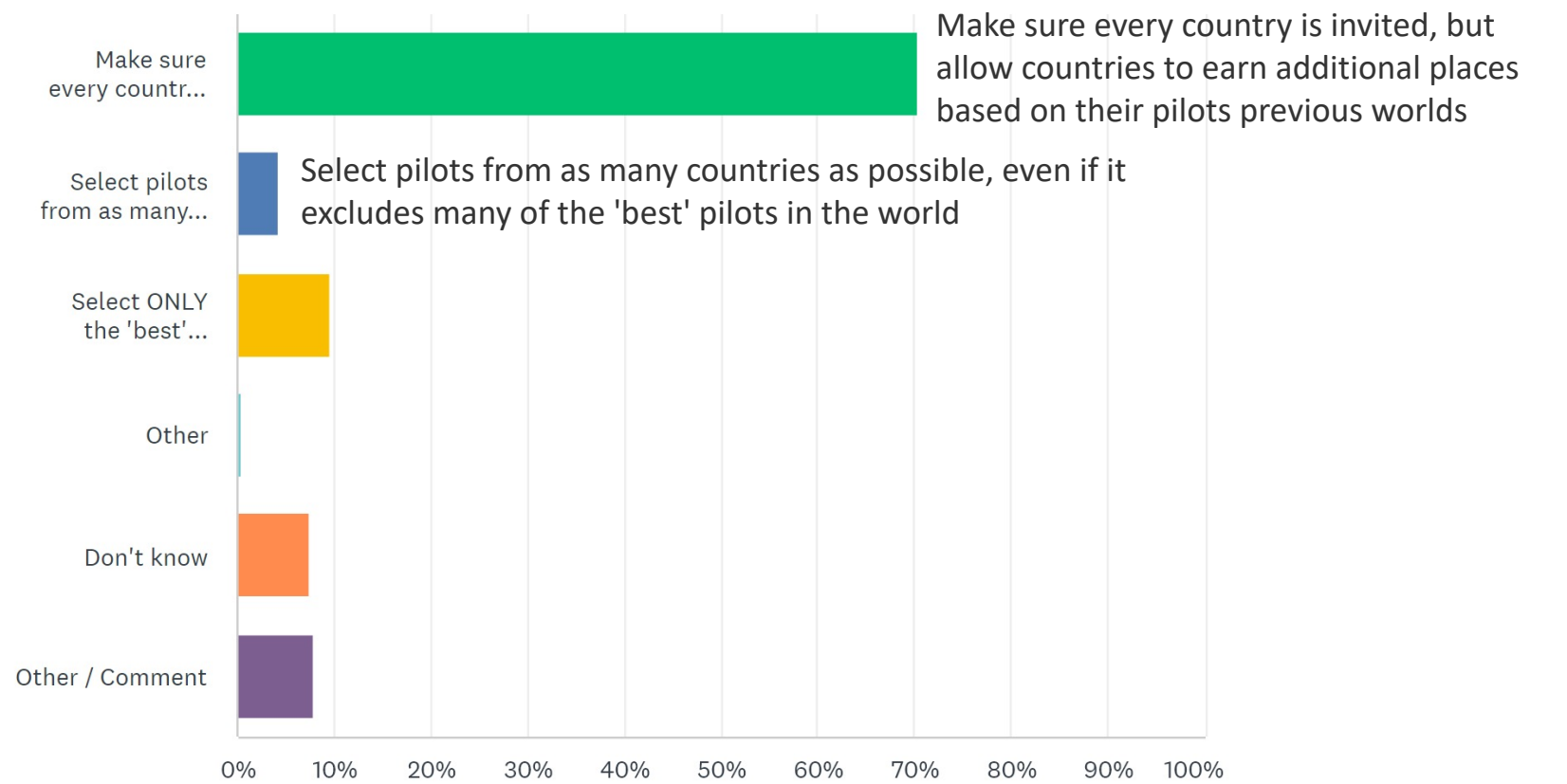
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MOTION 2

To approve a change to the sporting code, such that:
The host country of a General AX World
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invitation if they accept both first round invitations
and, would otherwise have no more than two
competitors in the event.

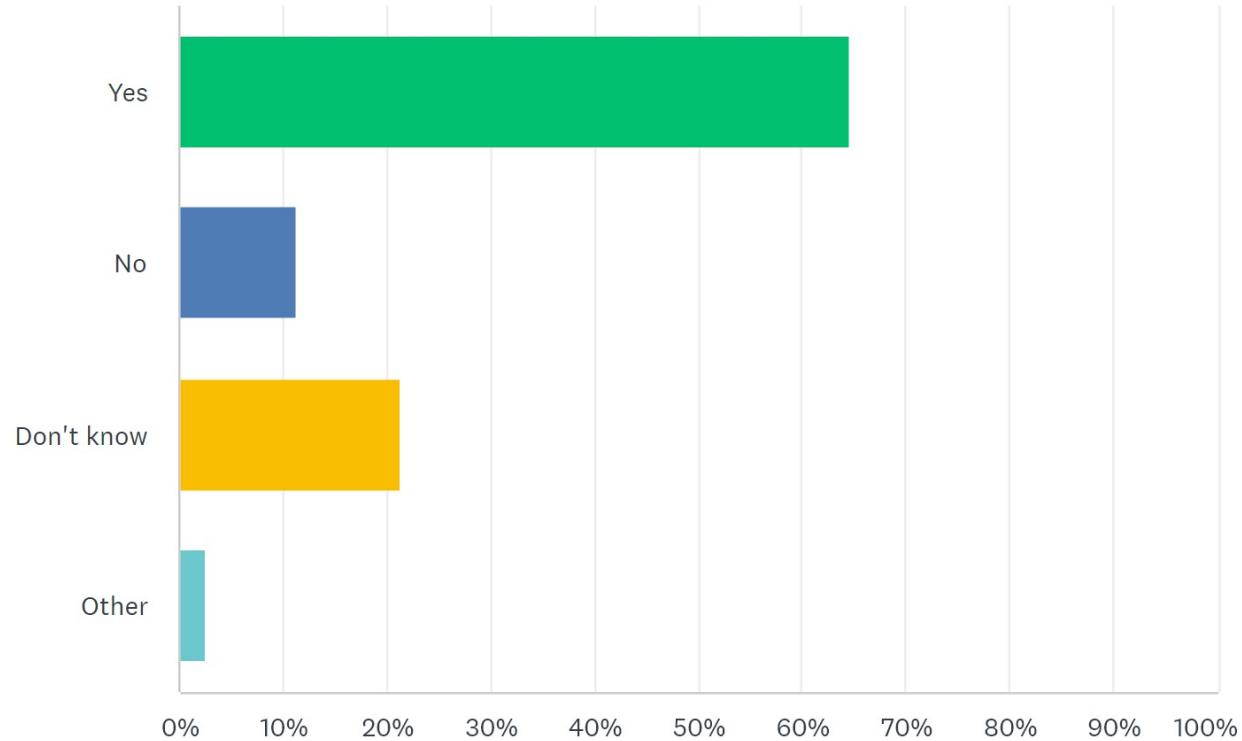
When selecting Pilots for a World Championship, what should the priority be?

Answered: 230 Skipped: 23



Should the invitation process ensure that there is a second round, based on the previous World Championship results?

Answered: 229 Skipped: 24



MOTION A-2

“To direct the S1 Working Group to change to the sporting code with immediate effect, such that:

The host NAC of a General AX World Championship shall be granted one additional ‘wild card’ invitation to use for their NAC.”

Notes: The 10% rule is still in effect.

“Immediate effect” means beginning with events sanctioned at this Plenary

MOTION B

“To direct S1 Working Group to modify the sporting code with immediate effect to reflect that for General AX World Championships:

The organising NAC shall issue an invitation for an equal number of two competitors to each eligible NAC.”

Reminder: The “equal number” is the FIRST round
Immediate effect means any event that has not yet been sanctioned