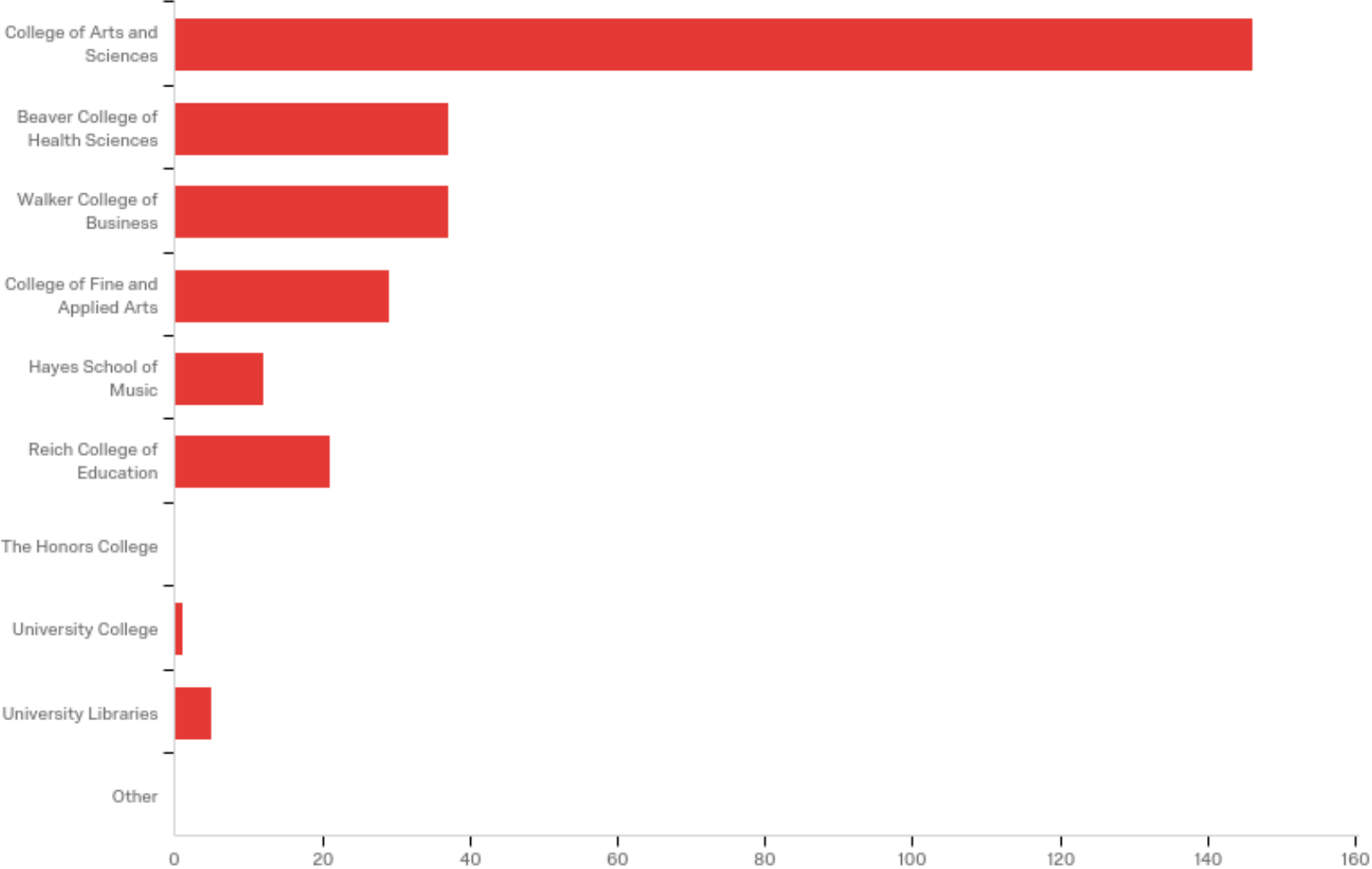


Faculty Survey of the ASU Textbook Rental System

**Academic Policies Committee
November 13, 2017**

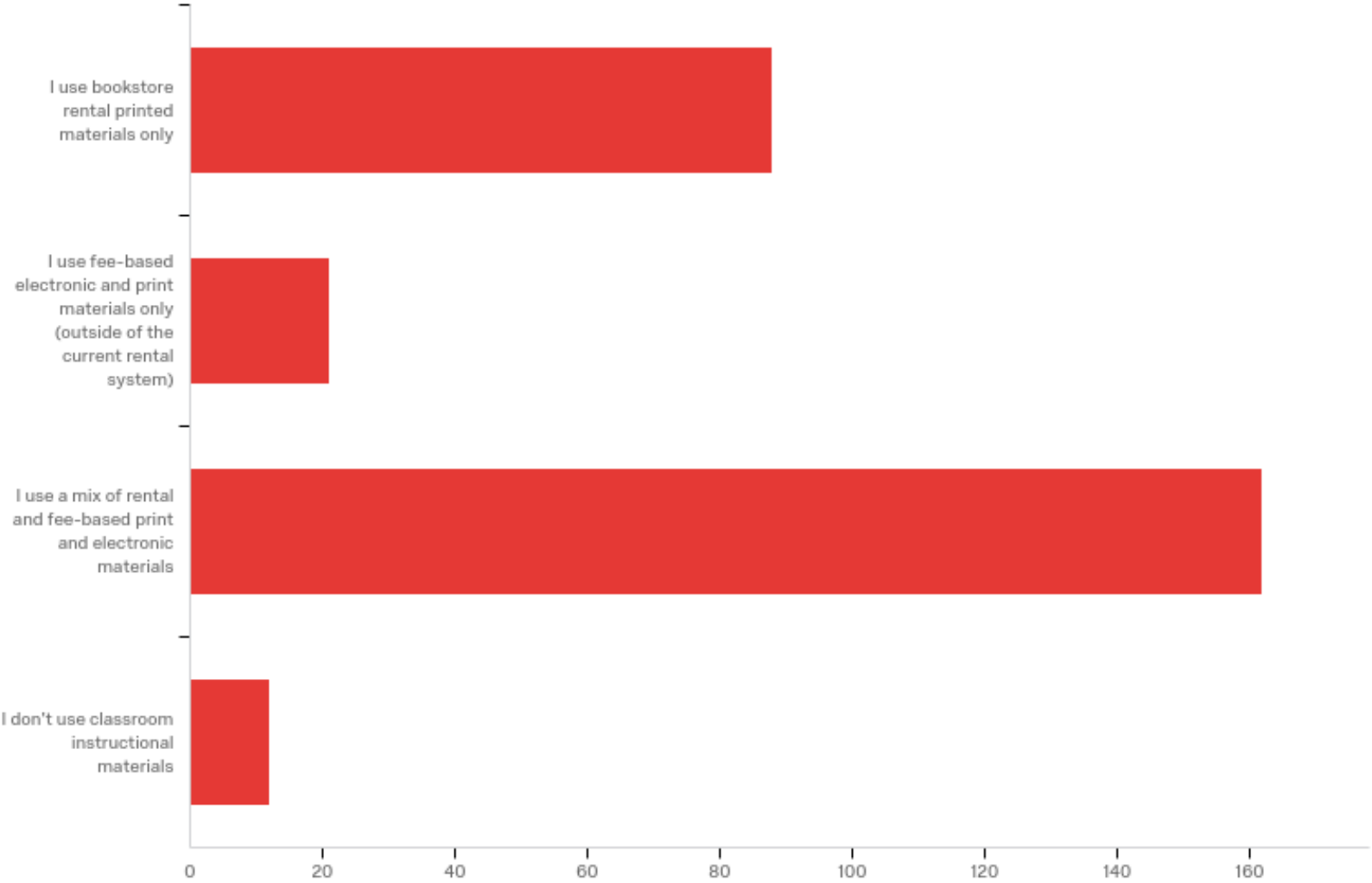
Q1 - I am a faculty member in the _____.



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#	Answer	%	Count
1	College of Arts and Sciences	50.69%	146
2	Beaver College of Health Sciences	12.85%	37
3	Walker College of Business	12.85%	37
4	College of Fine and Applied Arts	10.07%	29
5	Hayes School of Music	4.17%	12
6	Reich College of Education	7.29%	21
7	The Honors College	0.00%	0
8	University College	0.35%	1
9	University Libraries	1.74%	5
10	Other	0.00%	0
	Total	100%	288

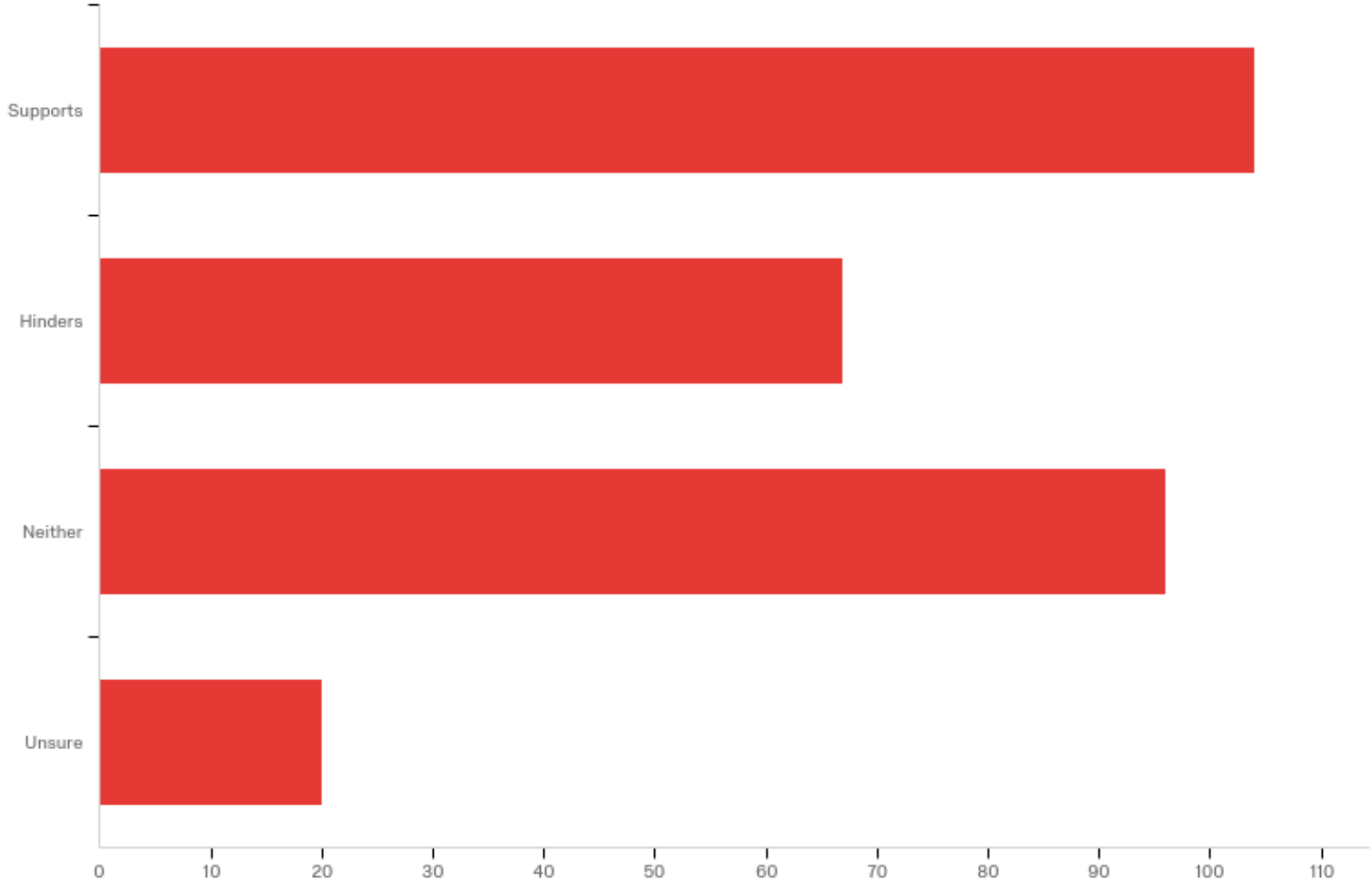
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#	Answer	%	Count
1	I use bookstore rental printed materials only	31.10%	88
2	I use fee-based electronic and print materials only (outside of the current rental system)	7.42%	21
3	I use a mix of rental and fee-based print and electronic materials	57.24%	162
4	I don't use classroom instructional materials	4.24%	12
	Total	100%	283

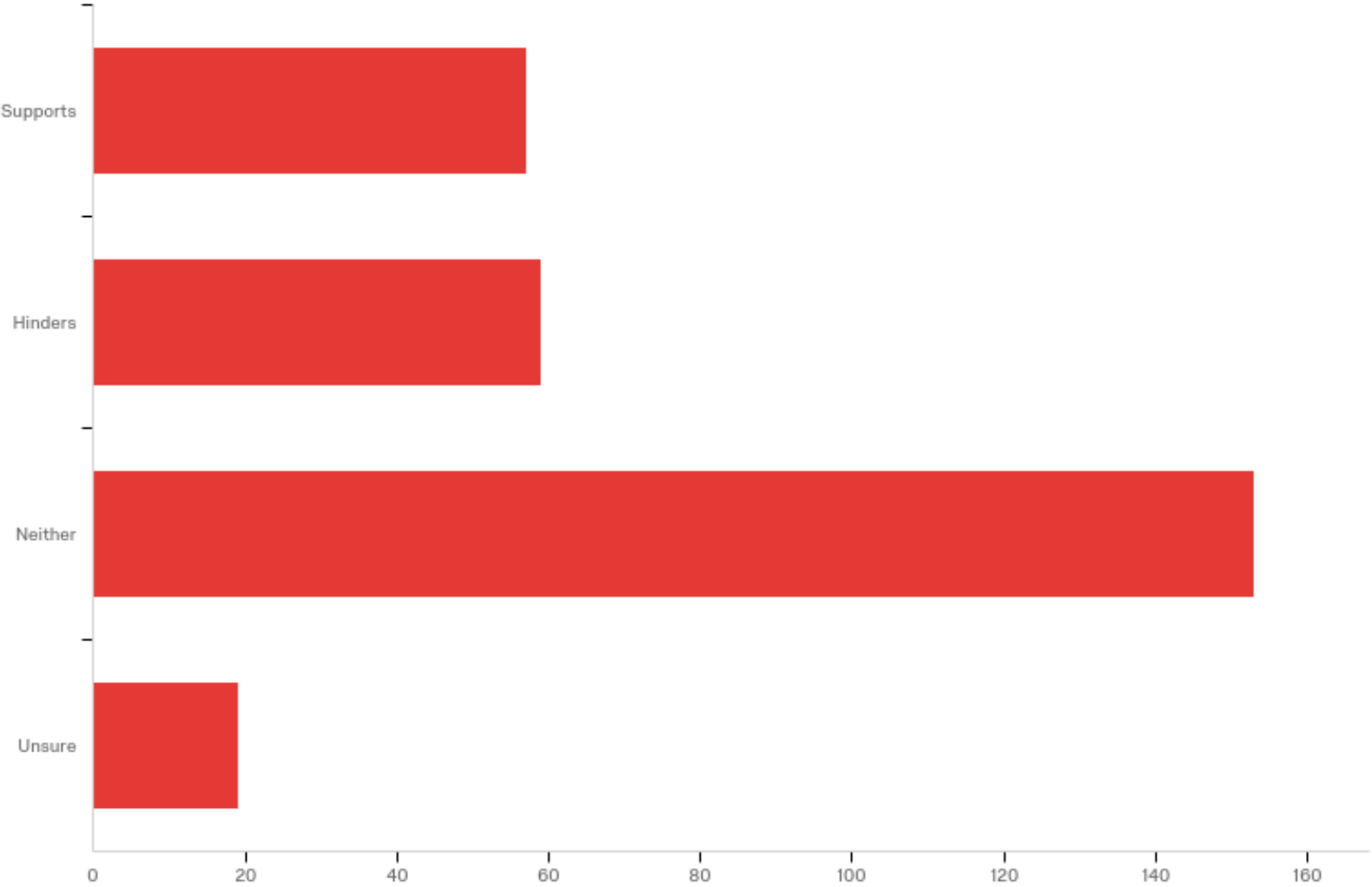
Q3 - Does the current textbook rental system support or hinder your instructional pedagogy?



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#	Answer	%	Count
1	Supports	36.24%	104
2	Hinders	23.34%	67
3	Neither	33.45%	96
4	Unsure	6.97%	20
	Total	100%	287

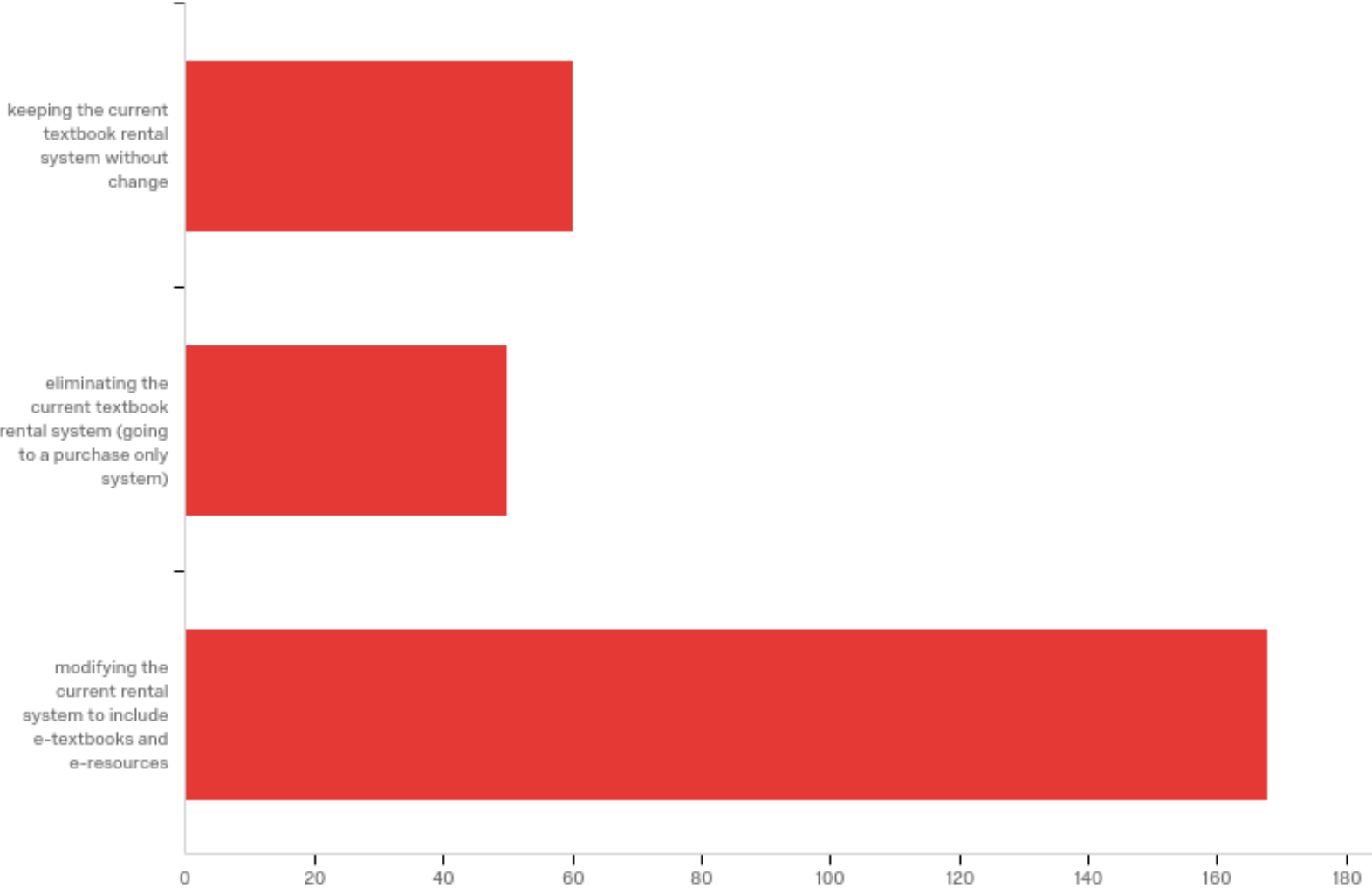
Q4 - Does the current textbook rental system support or hinder your academic freedom?



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#	Answer	%	Count
1	Supports	19.79%	57
2	Hinders	20.49%	59
3	Neither	53.13%	153
4	Unsure	6.60%	19
	Total	100%	288

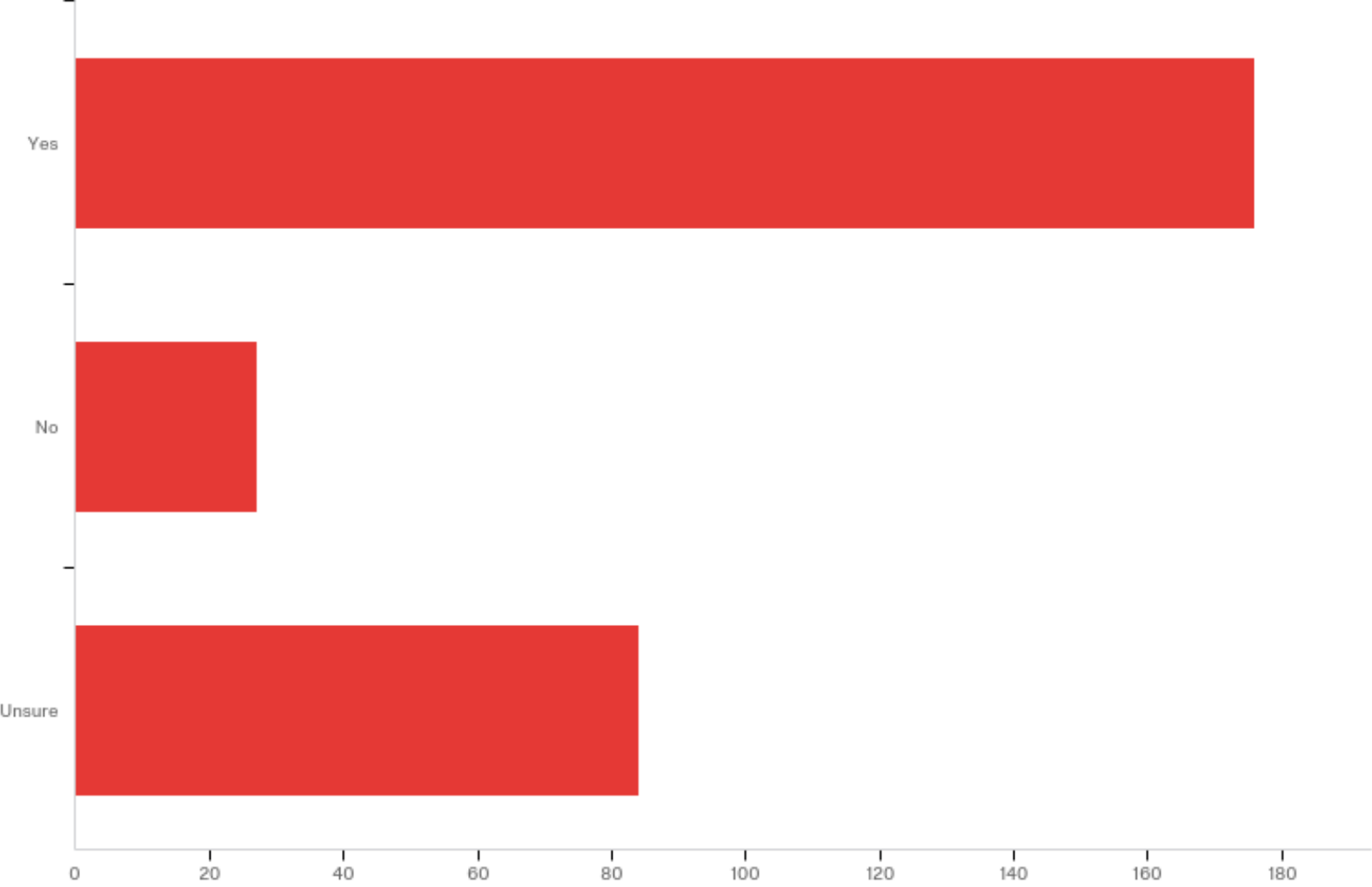
Q6 - I am supportive of _____.



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#	Answer	%	Count
1	keeping the current textbook rental system without change	21.58%	60
2	eliminating the current textbook rental system (going to a purchase only system)	17.99%	50
3	modifying the current rental system to include e-textbooks and e-resources	60.43%	168
	Total	100%	278

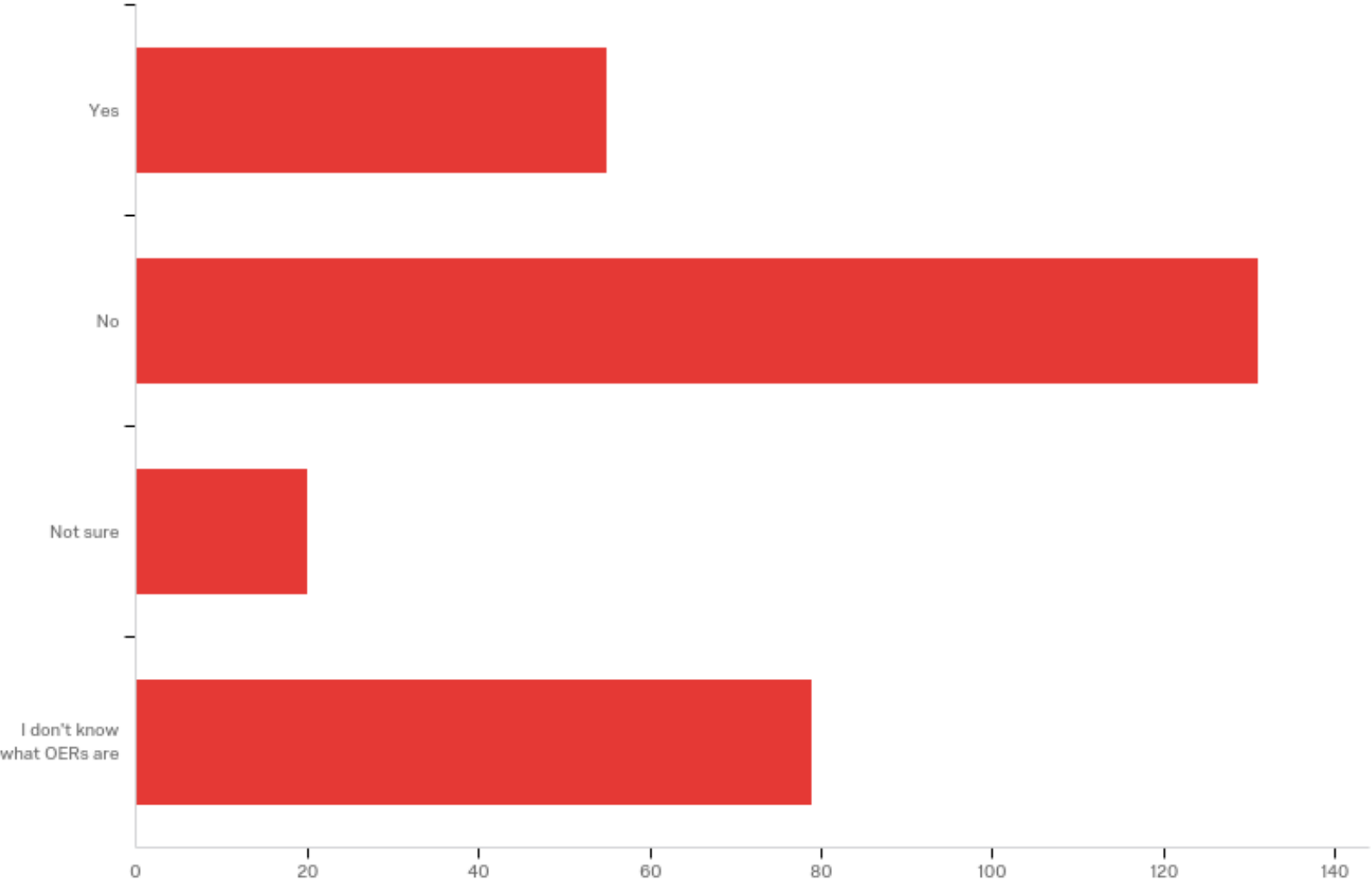
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#	Answer	%	Count
1	Yes	61.32%	176
2	No	9.41%	27
3	Unsure	29.27%	84
	Total	100%	287

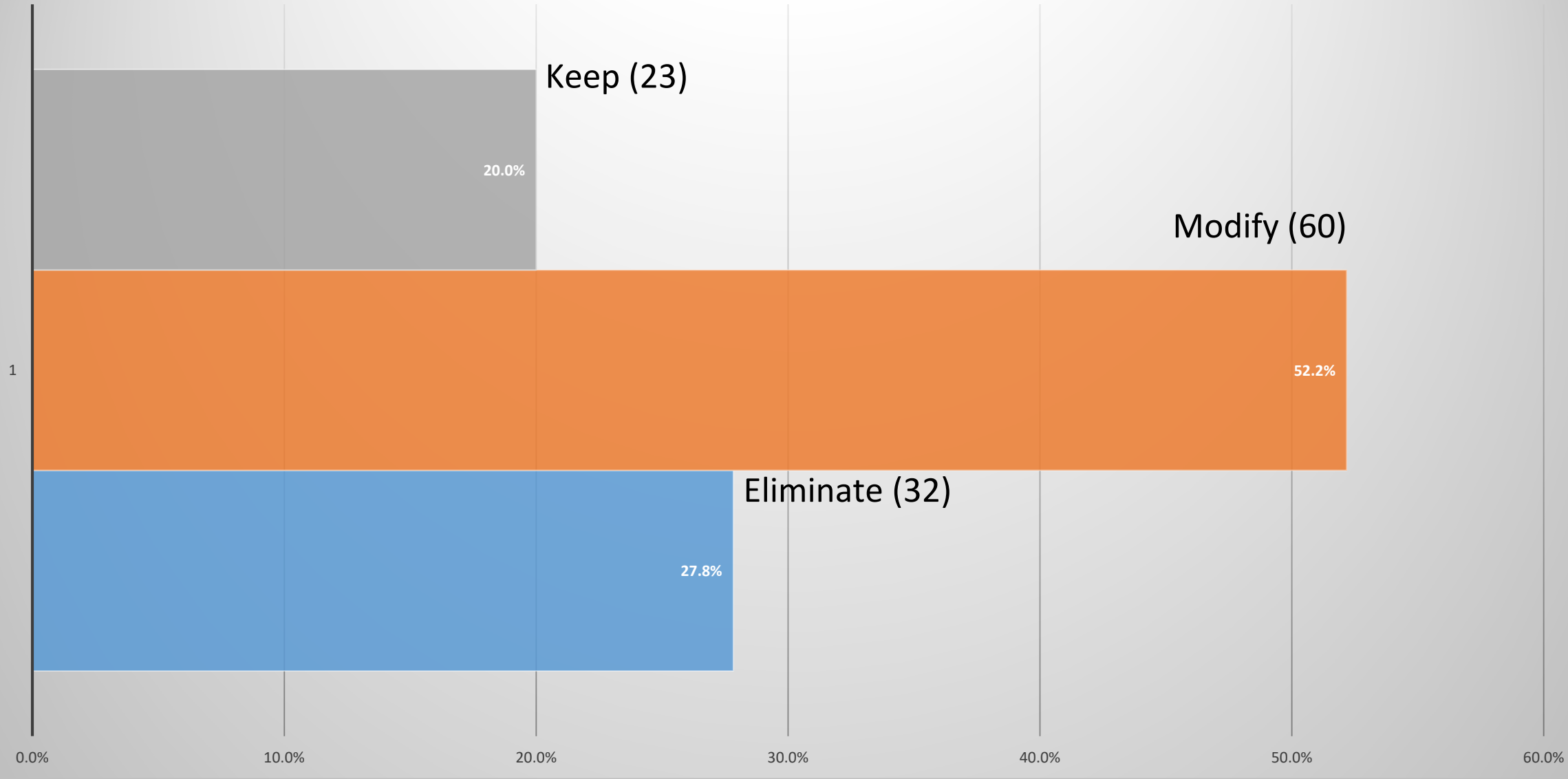
Q12 - Do you currently use Open Educational Resources (OERs) in your courses?



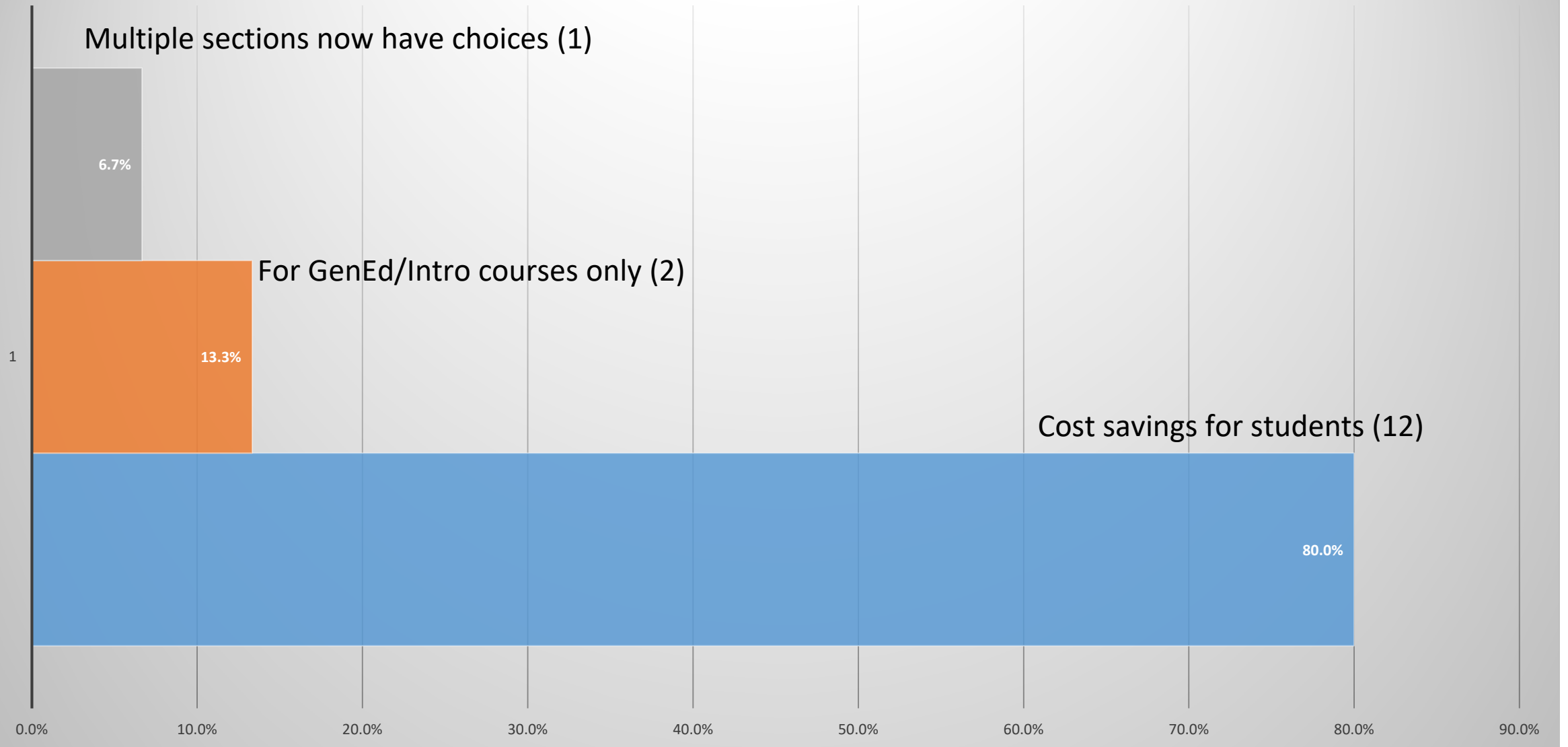
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#	Answer	%	Count
1	Yes	19.30%	55
2	No	45.96%	131
3	Not sure	7.02%	20
4	I don't know what OERs are	27.72%	79
	Total	100%	285

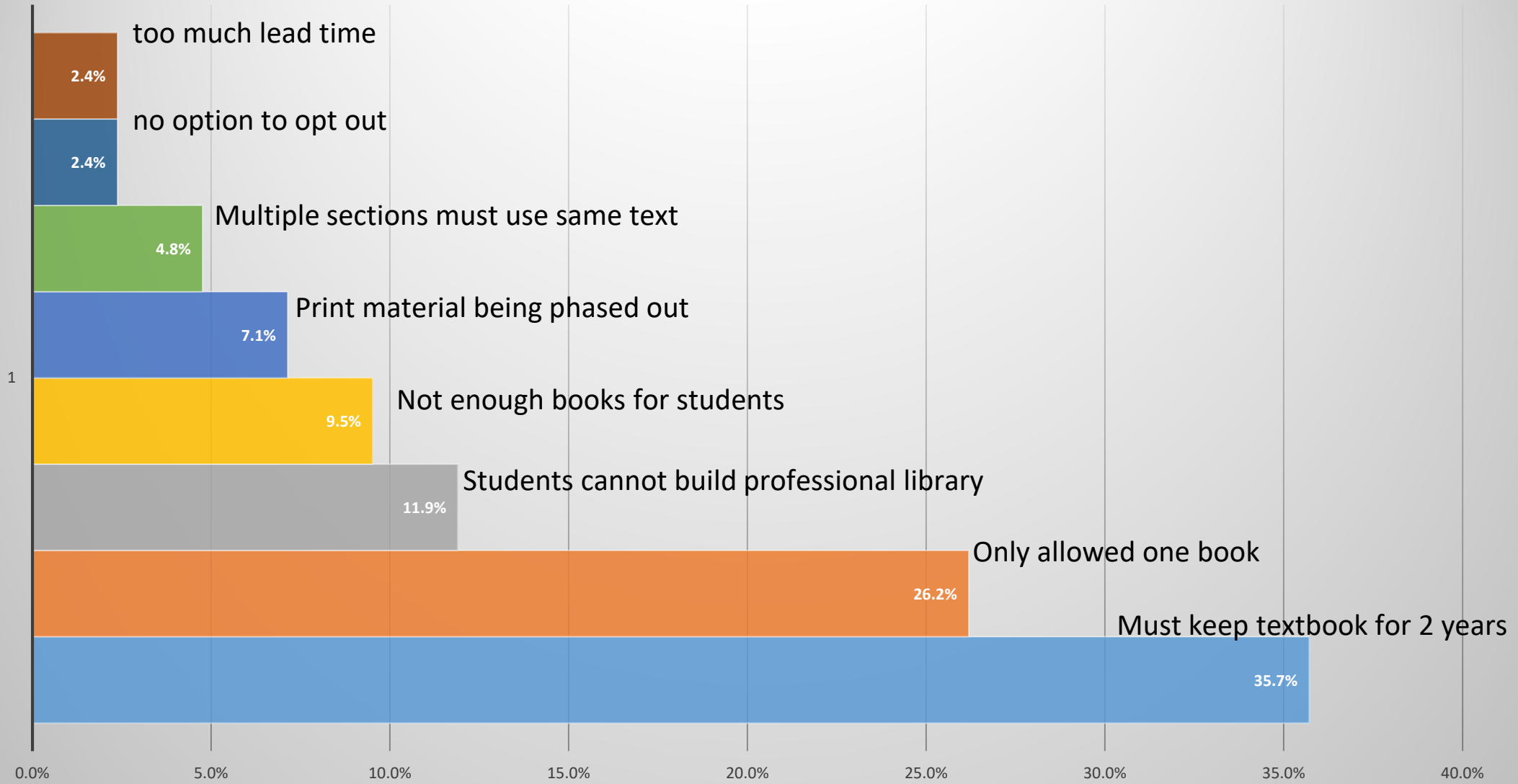
Responses to Question #5 (115)



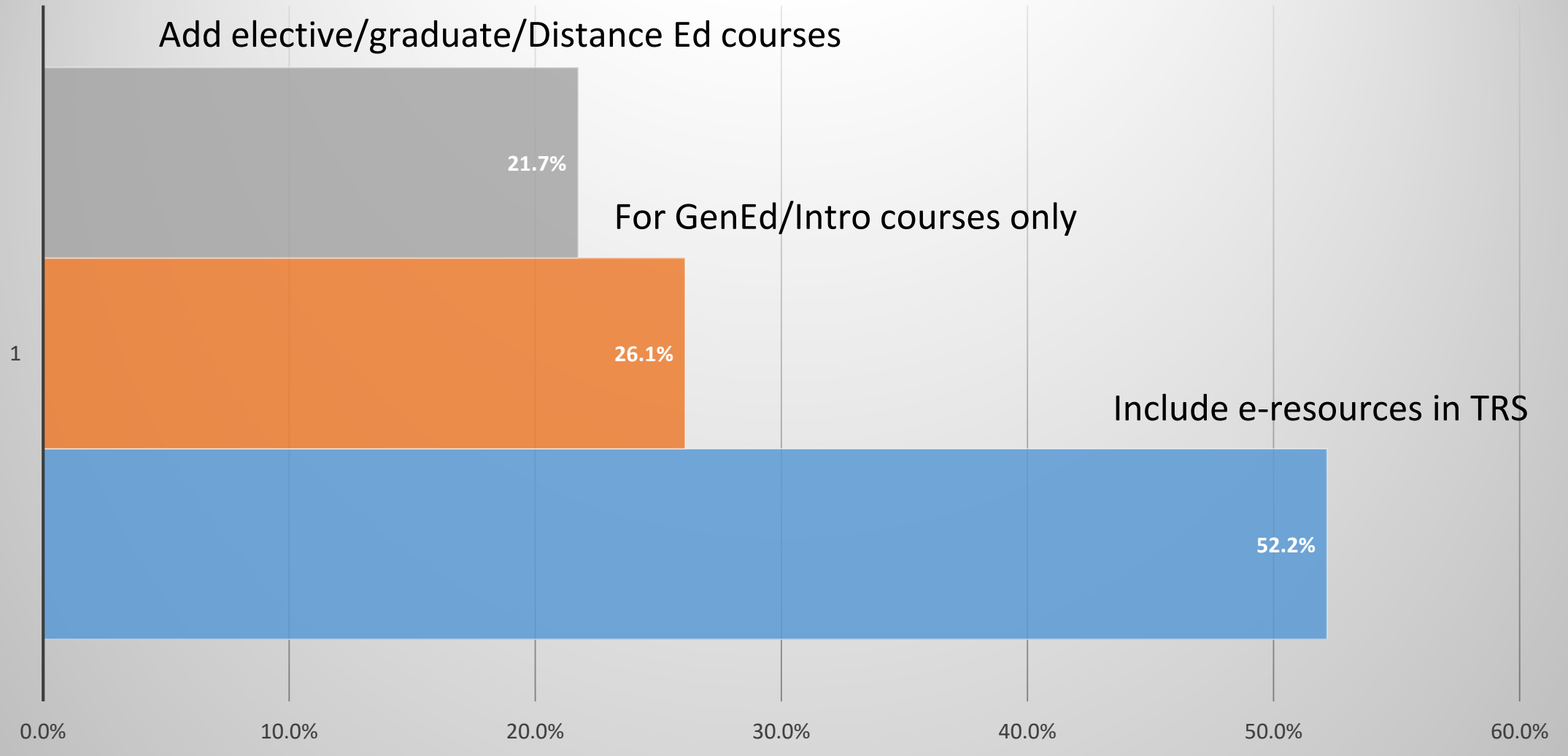
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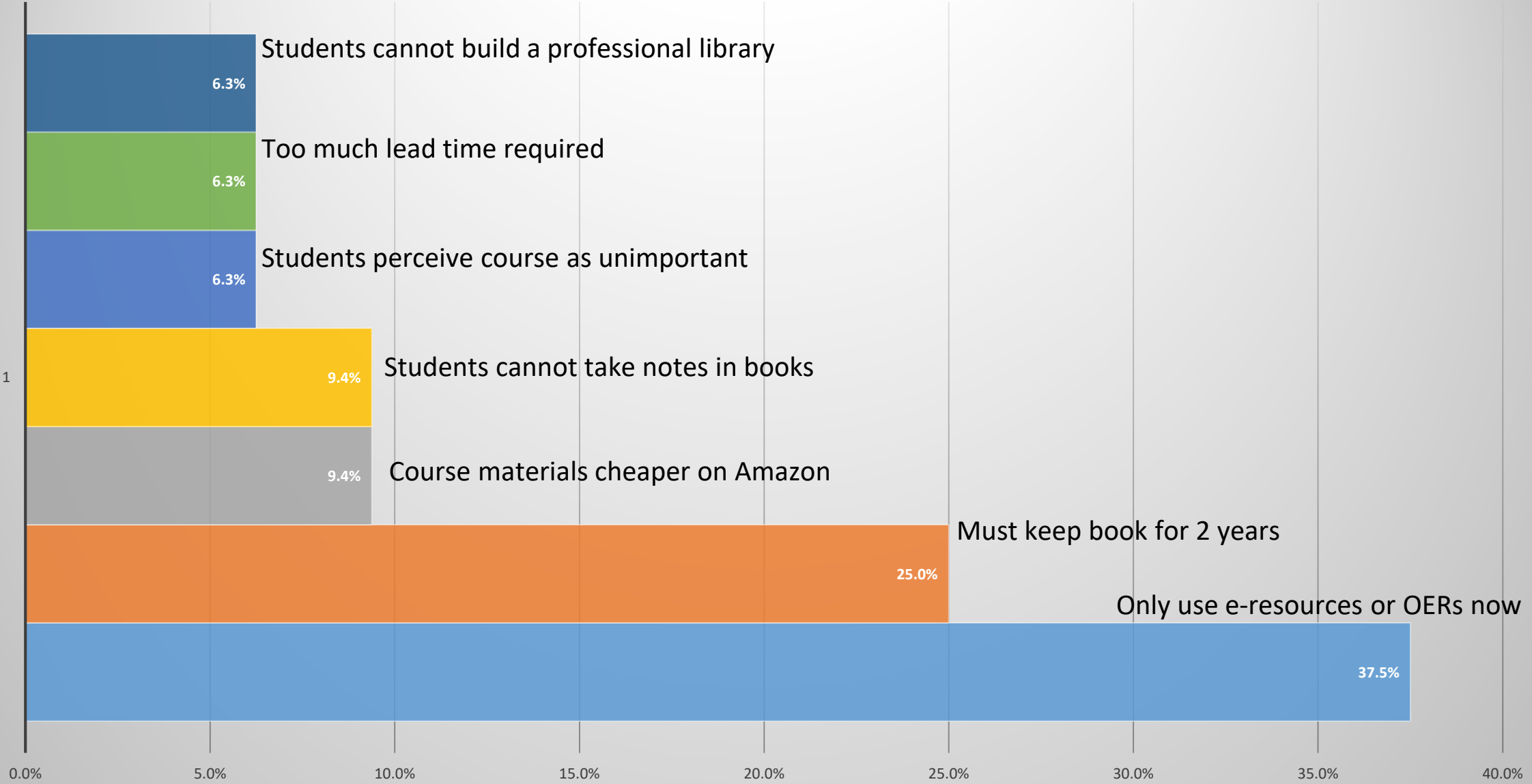
Reasons to Modify the TRS (42)



Suggestions for Modification to TRS (23)



Reasons to Eliminate the TRS (32)



Responses in Question #5 that mention academic freedom or pedagogy.

Locking in textbooks hinders my teaching and **academic freedom**.

I say hinder for **academic freedom**, because in theory it does. In practice, for me, my departments' choices for rental texts are fine by me.

The major problem with the system is when multiple instructors must agree on a common textbook. This interferes with **academic freedom**.

In the classroom, I typically make choices that favor **pedagogy** over **academic freedom**.

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It limits new **pedagogical** approaches in favor of "establishment" texts that are often outdated. We spend all of this time and money hiring great faculty, and then we limit their ability to fully utilize their preferred **pedagogy** and penalize our students' learning outcomes in the process.

I indicated rental system hinders **pedagogy**, but this is only sometimes true. For some courses, rental system is fine; but, for others it hinders (paperbacks, grad course, frequently changing material).

The idea that rental texts hinder one's **academic freedom** is absurd.

I am sorry to point out the obvious: "**academic freedom**" has nothing whatsoever to do with whether textbooks are rentals or not. Somebody on the Faculty Senate should have educated the writers of this survey.

Question #8 comments

Please provide any additional comments, suggestions, or concerns you may have about the use of fee-based e-books, e-textbooks, or other e-resources.

E-resources:

Supportive Overall

Support With Change

Do Not Support

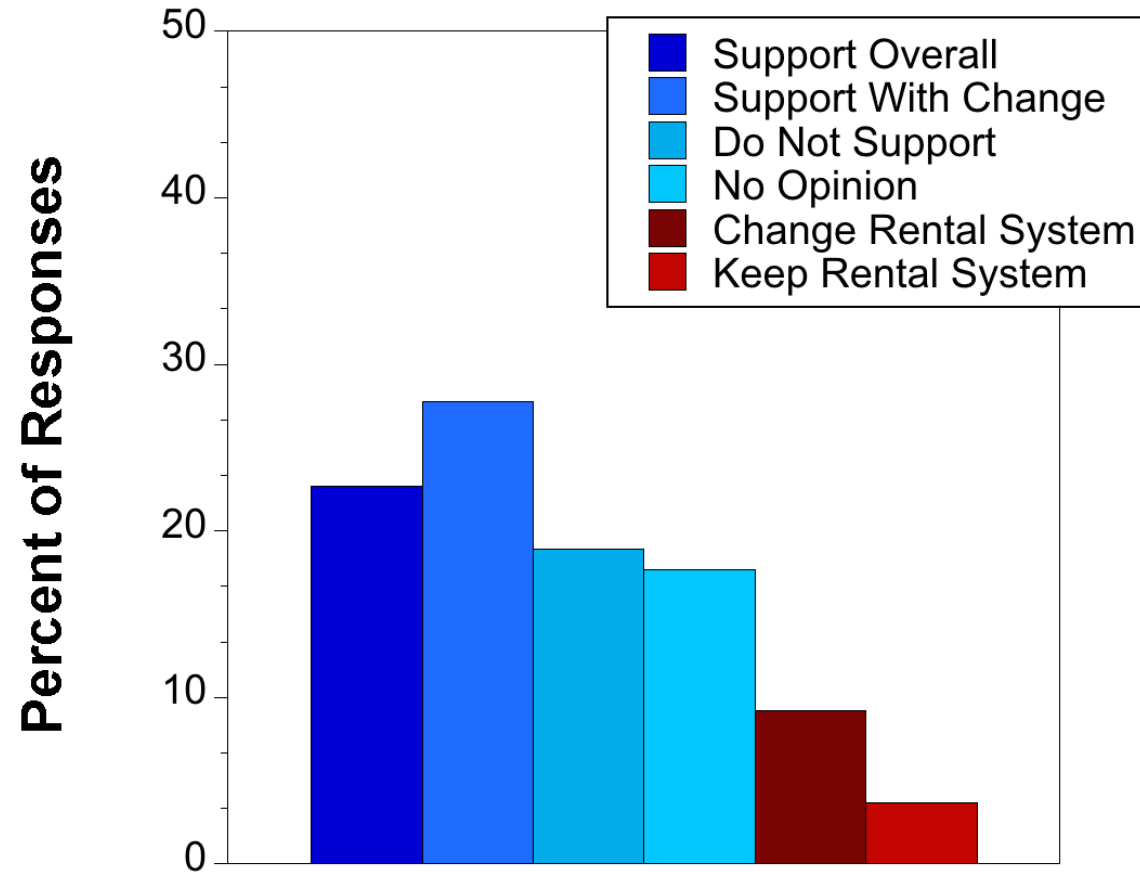
No Opinion

Rental System:

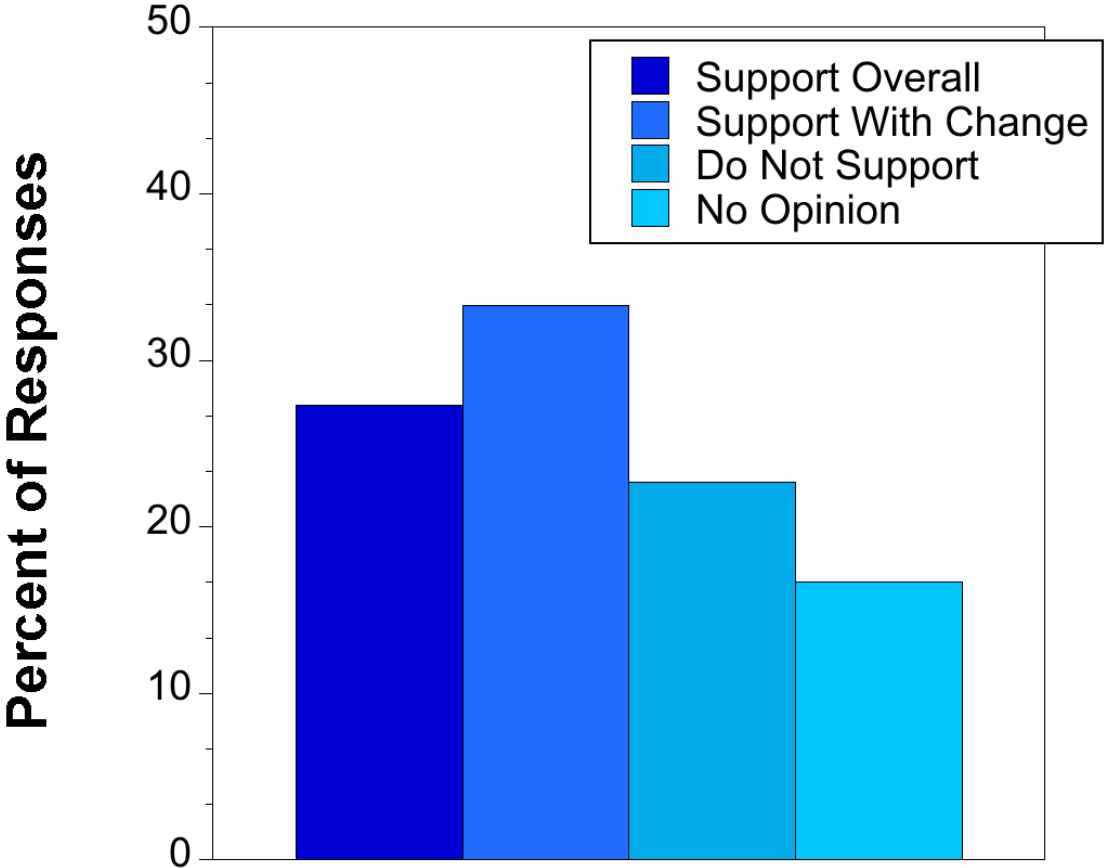
Change Rental System

Keep Rental System

All Reponses (N=79)



E-Resources Responses (N=66)



E-Resources

