

Biodiversity survey results

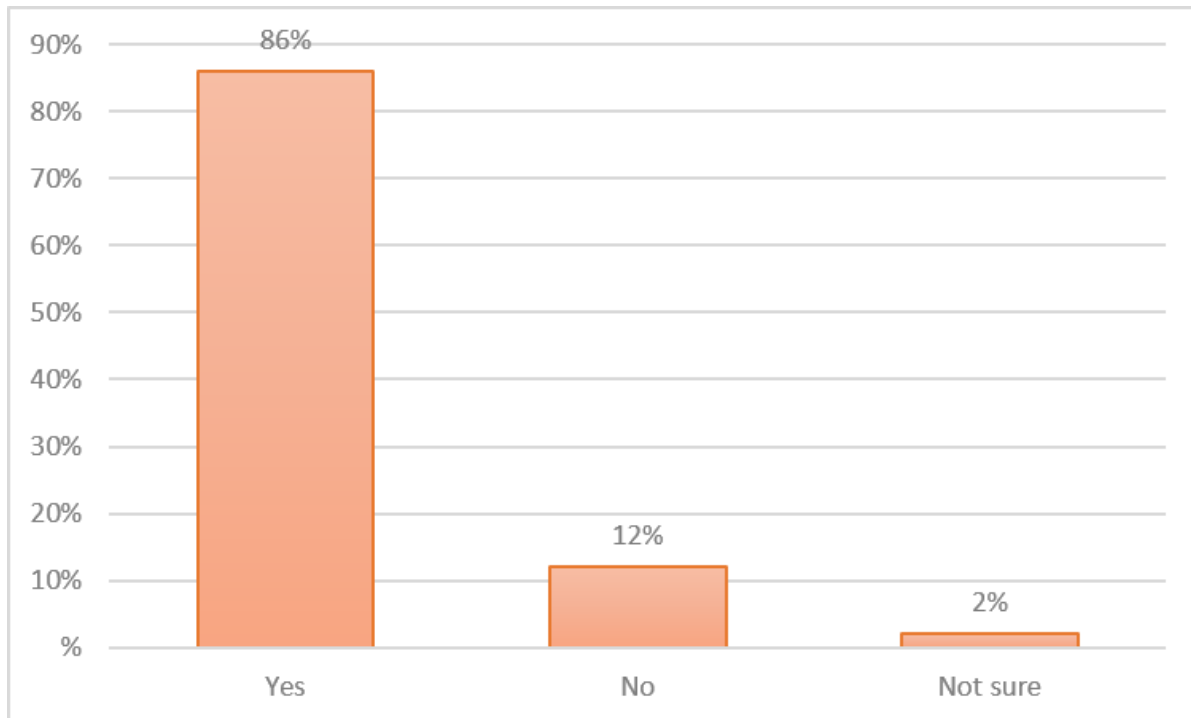
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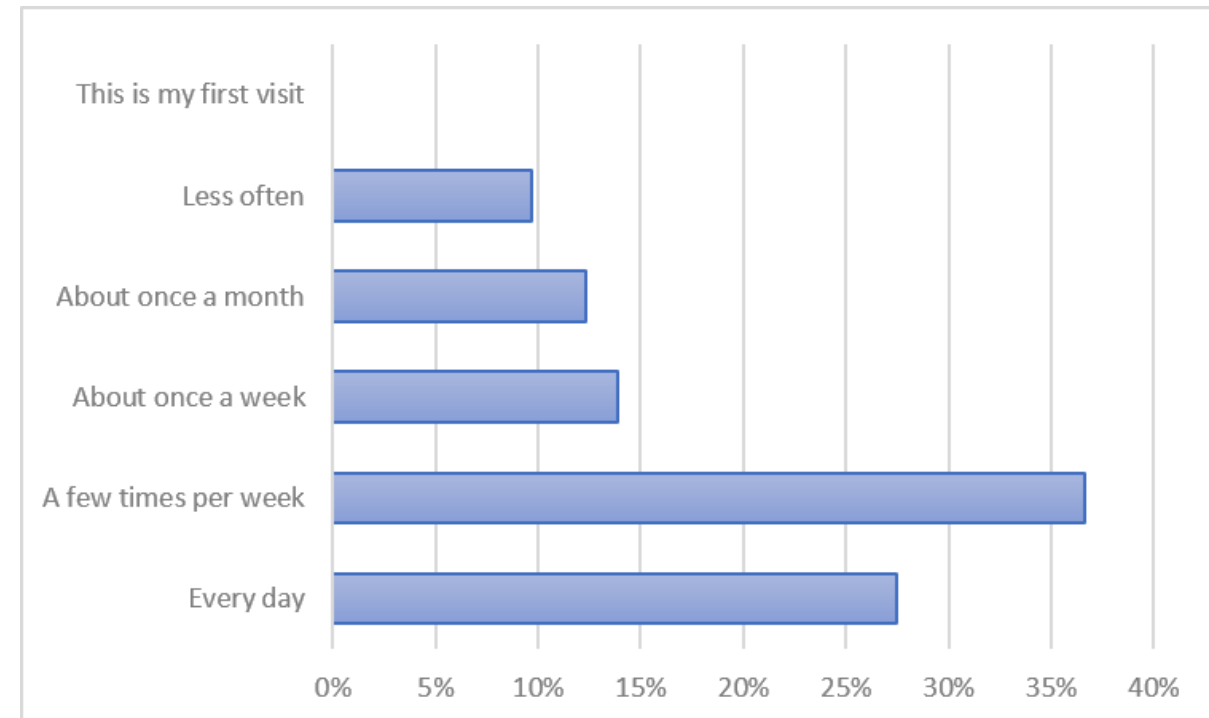
Respondents' portrait



Awareness about area's role in
biodiversity support



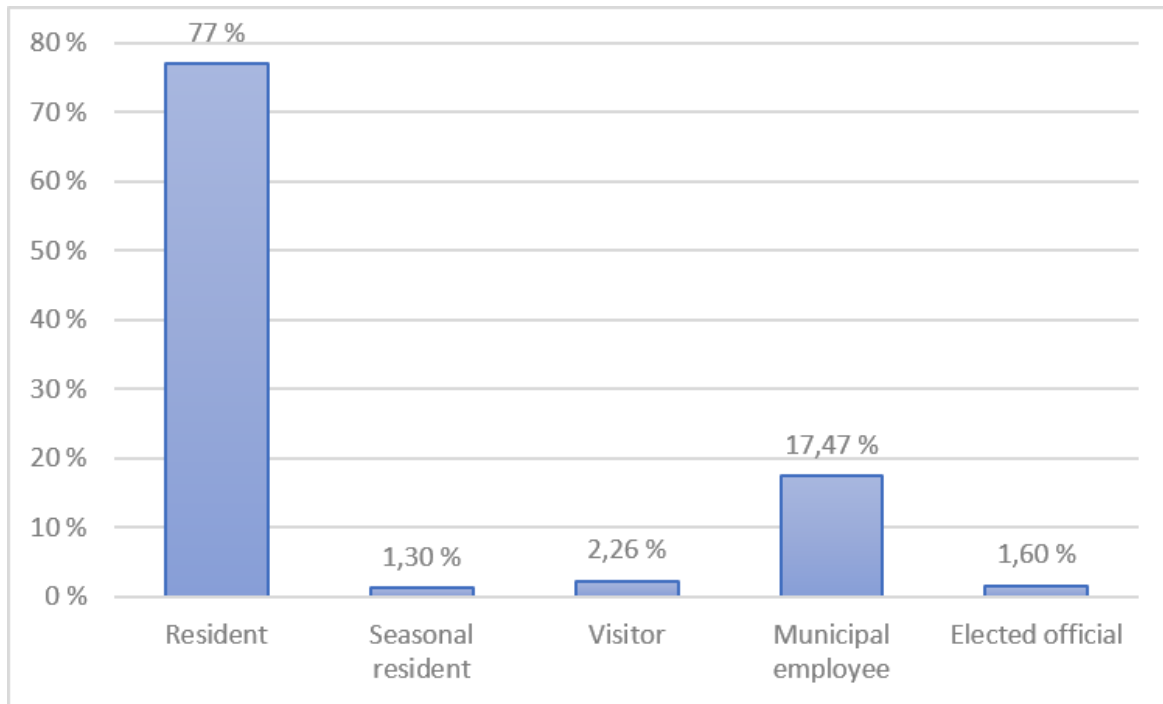
Frequency of visits



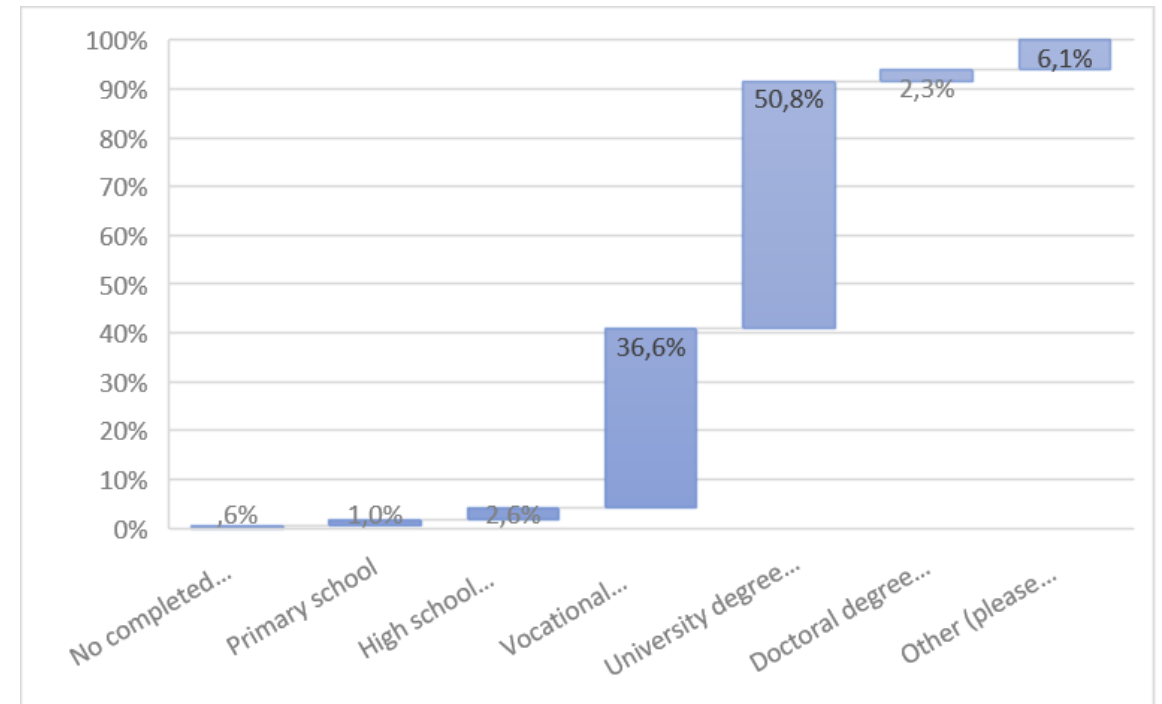
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Who did respond the survey?



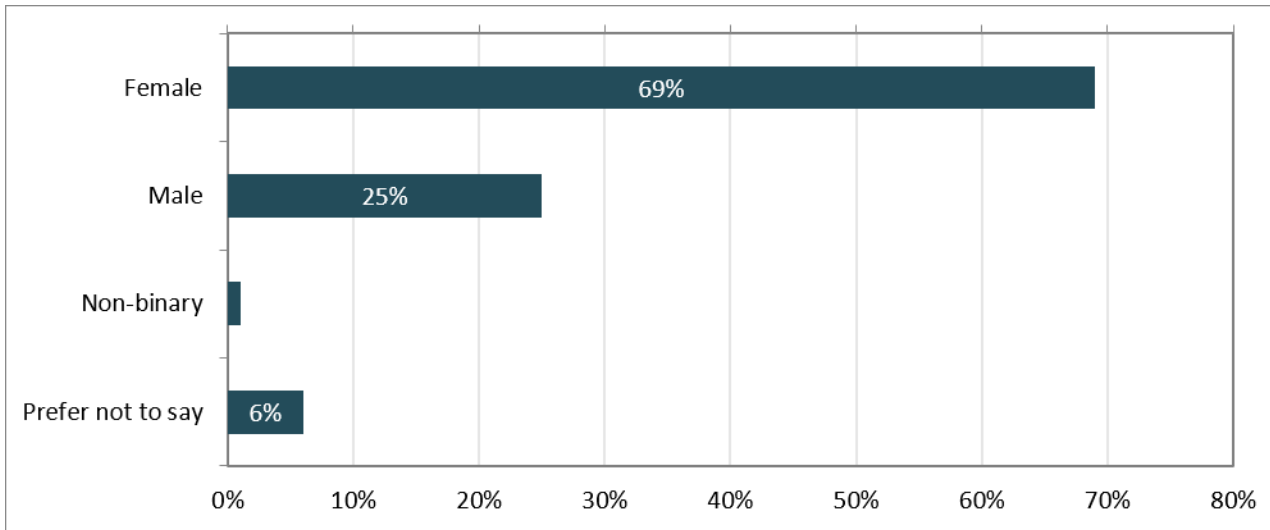
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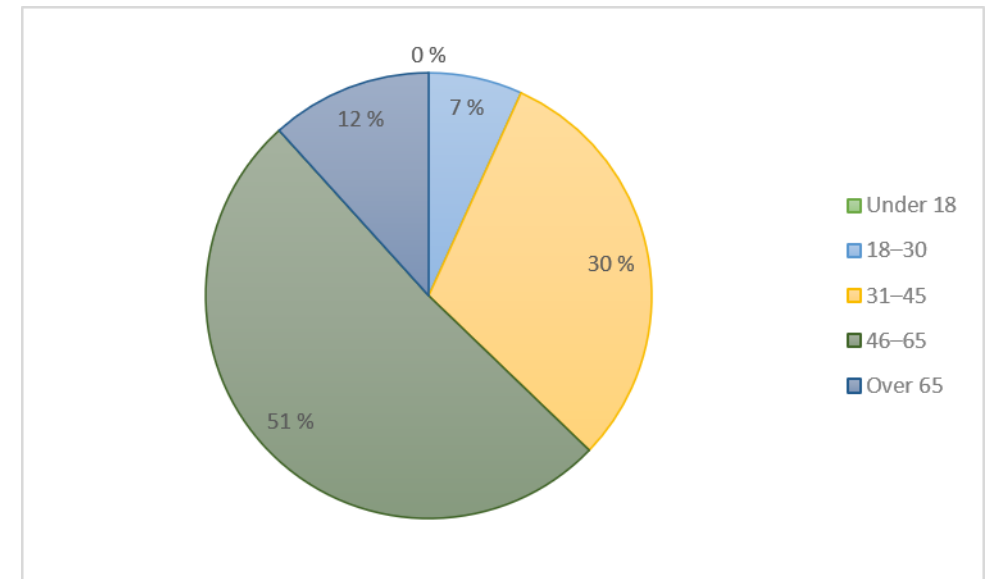
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Gender



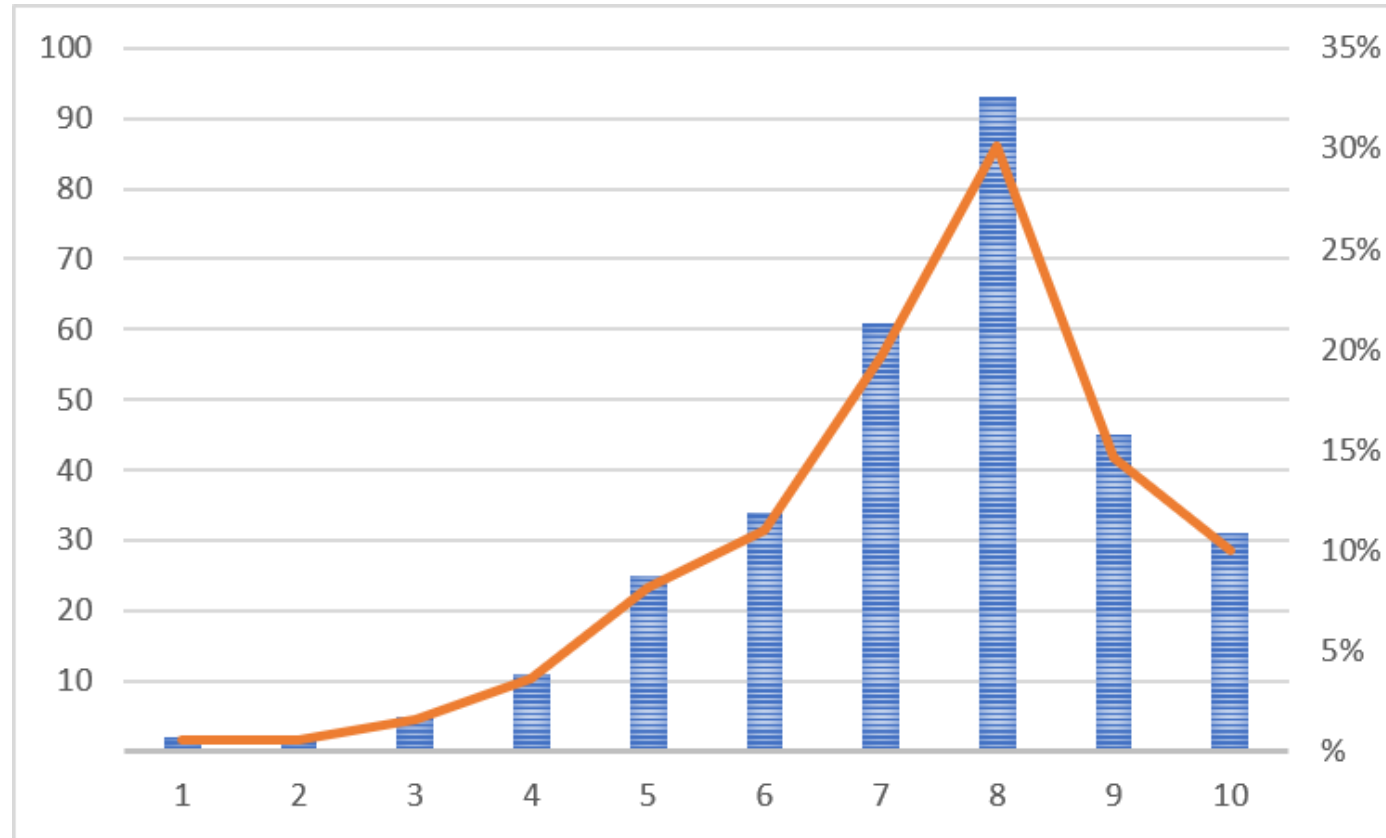
Age groups of respondents



Biodiversity knowledge



How would you rate your knowledge of biodiversity and related issues?

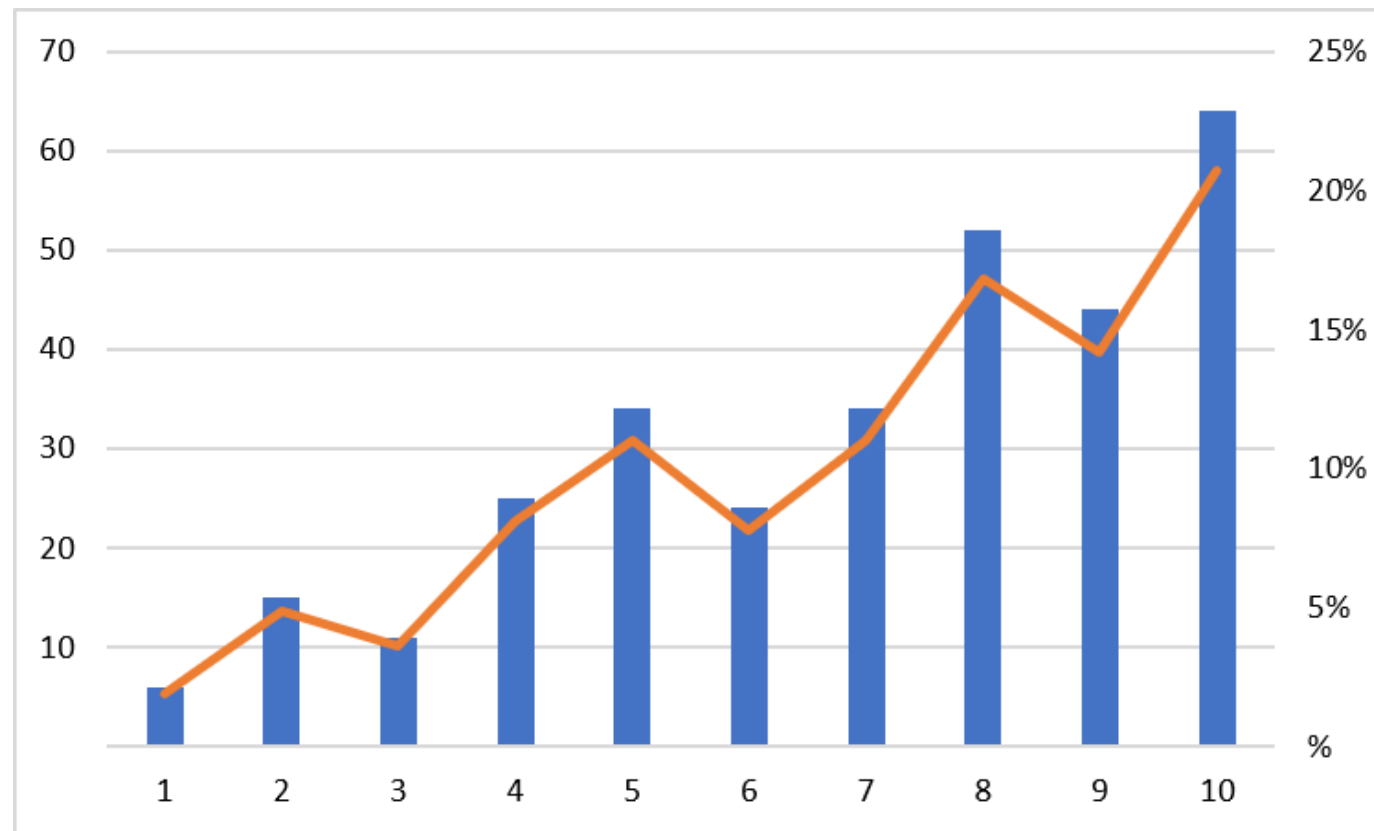


54,7%

Biodiversity knowledge



How would you rate your concern about biodiversity and related issues?

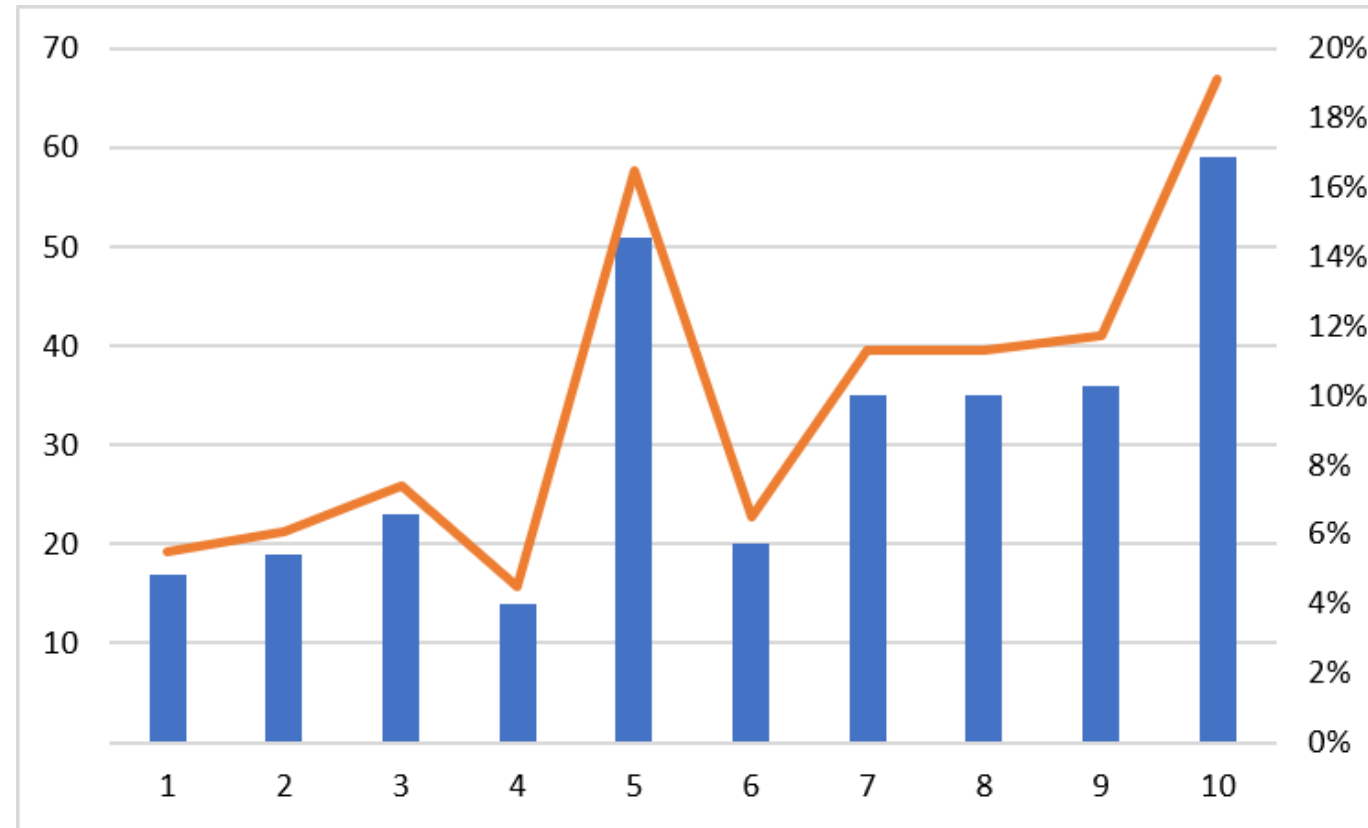


51,7%

Opinion regarding the area



How would you rate your overall opinion of the way this area is managed to support biodiversity?

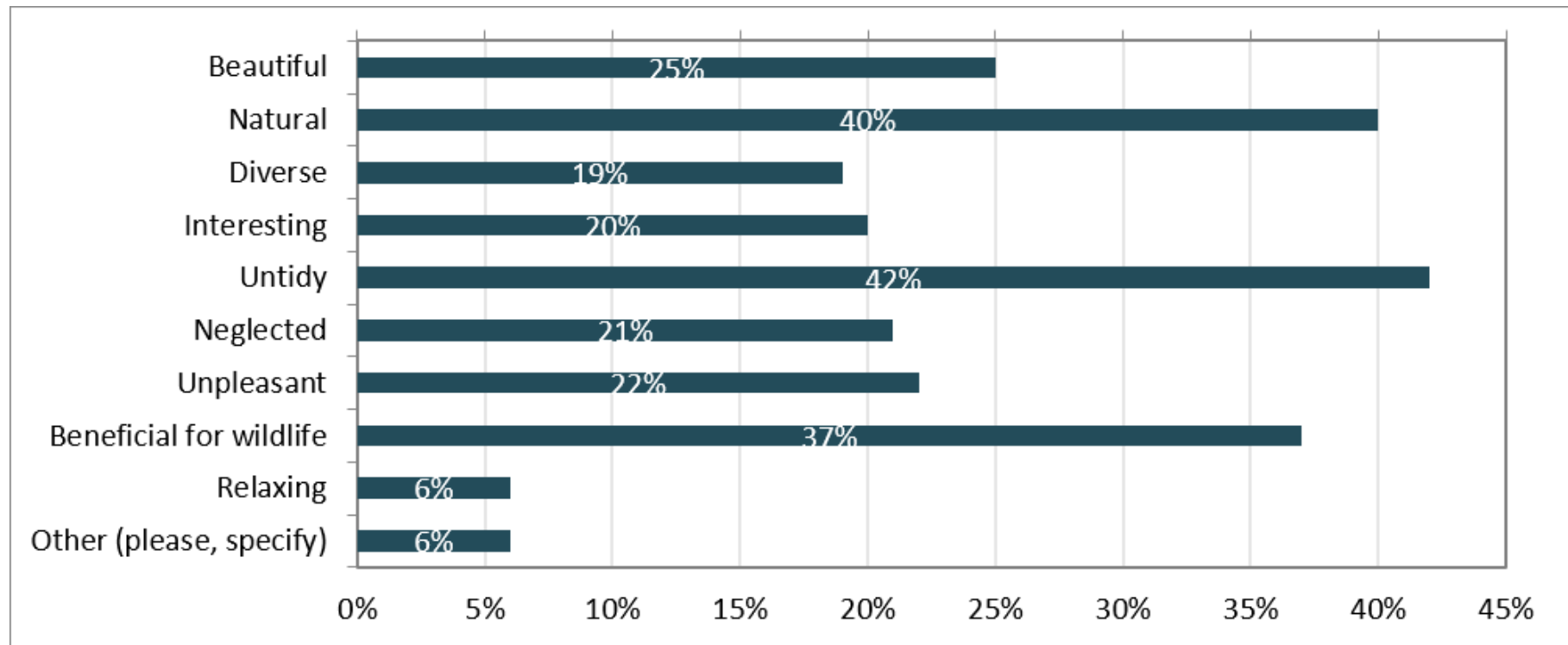


42,1%

Opinion regarding the area



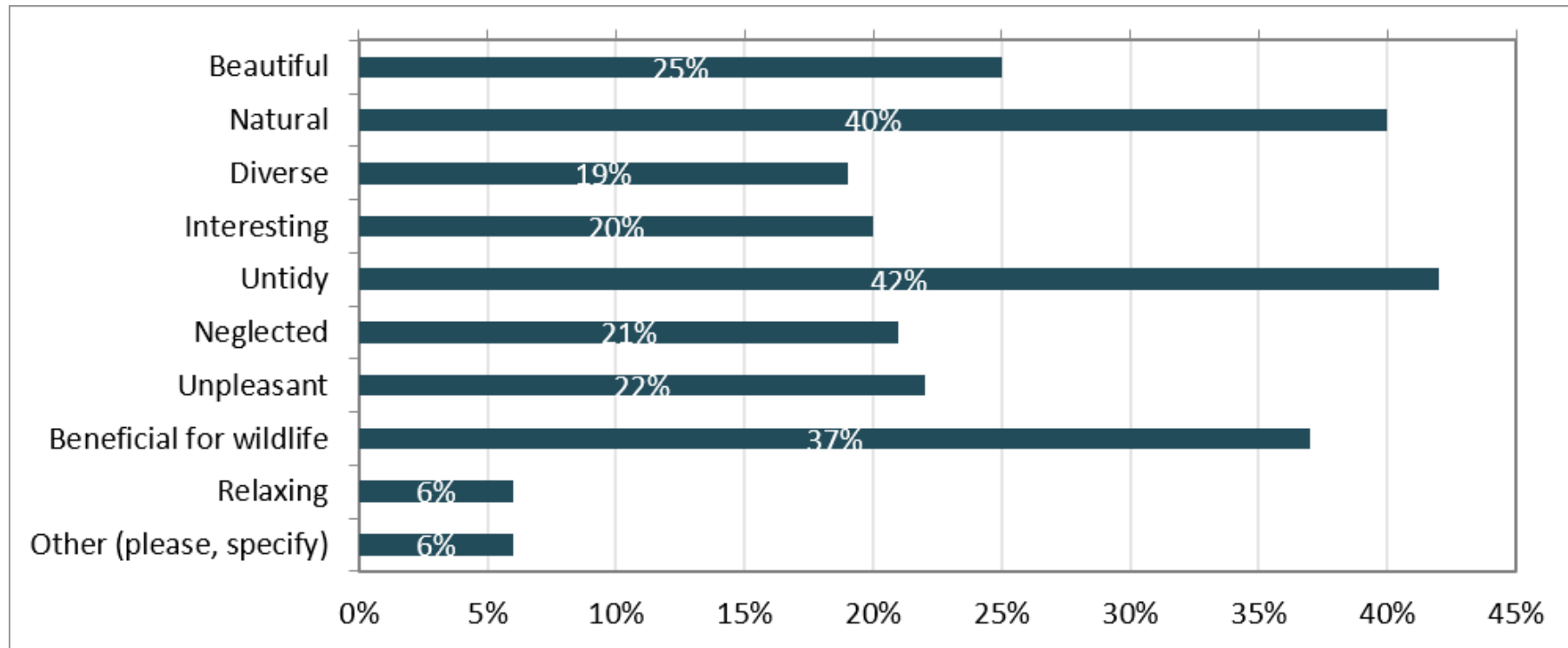
Which words best describe this area? (Select up to three options)



Opinion regarding the area



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Other options

Positive

- Residents appreciate that the city is promoting biodiversity and supporting pollinators.
- Majority would like to see more meadows and wildflower areas instead of traditional lawns.
- Some respondents see the project as a sign that Raseborg is a modern and environmentally responsible municipality.
- Supporters feel the city should lead by example and educate residents about ecological values.

Suggestions:

- ✓ Adding more wildflowers and flowering plants.
- ✓ Creating a proper flower meadow rather than simply leaving grass uncut.
- ✓ Monitoring butterflies, bees and insects to collect scientific data.
- ✓ Adding paths, benches, trees, shrubs, sculptures or designed features to make the area more attractive.
- ✓ Expanding similar projects elsewhere in Raseborg.

Negative

- The most common criticism is that the area looks untidy, neglected, or poorly maintained, especially because it is located in front of City Hall. So, the area is “not welcoming” enough.
- Reduced visibility along roads and intersections.
- Several respondents argue that biodiversity efforts should occur elsewhere because Raseborg already has abundant natural areas, forests, fields, and shorelines.
- Some feel that simply letting grass grow is ineffective and may be “greenwashing” if not combined with planting suitable meadow species.

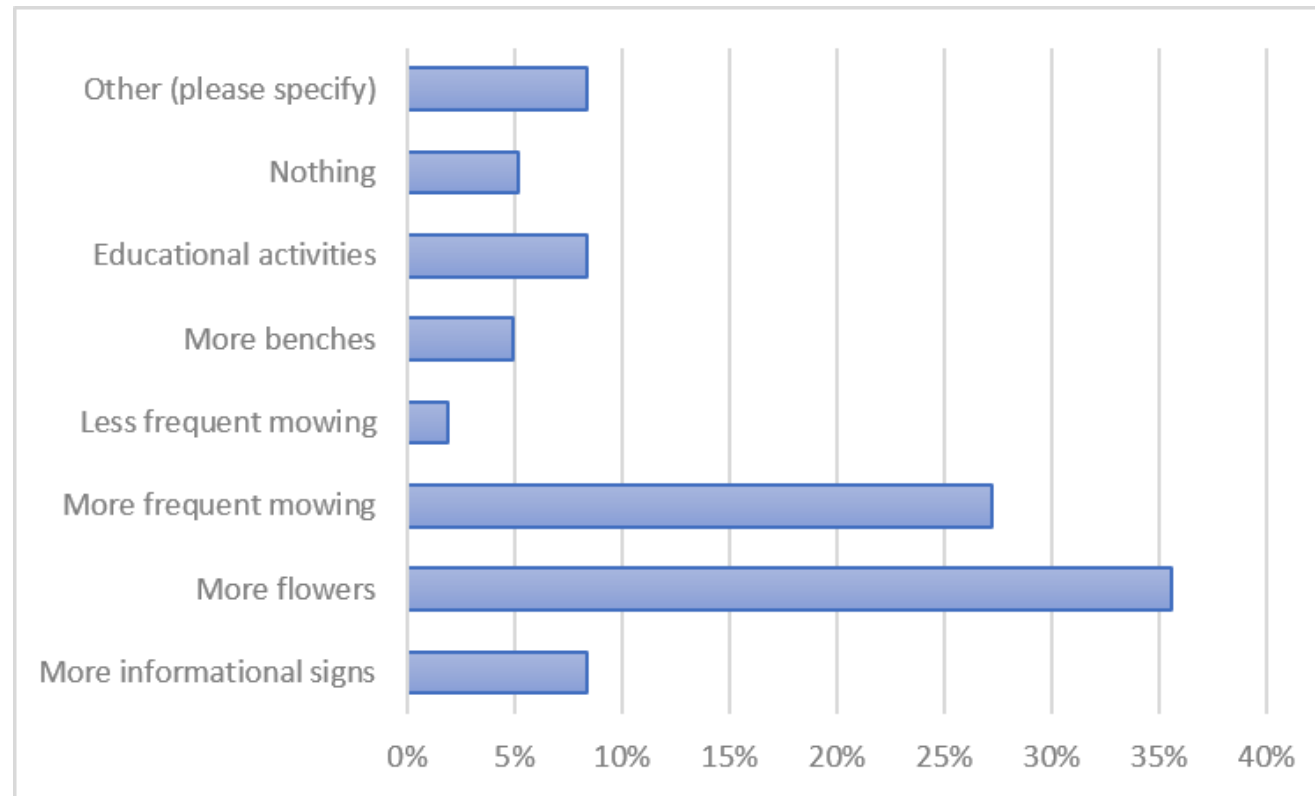
Concerns:

- ✓ Ticks and tick-borne diseases.
- ✓ Spanish slugs.
- ✓ Allergies and pollen.

Opinion regarding the area



What would improve this area?



Opinion regarding the area



To what extent do you agree with the following statement?

