

# Graduate Student Survey Responses

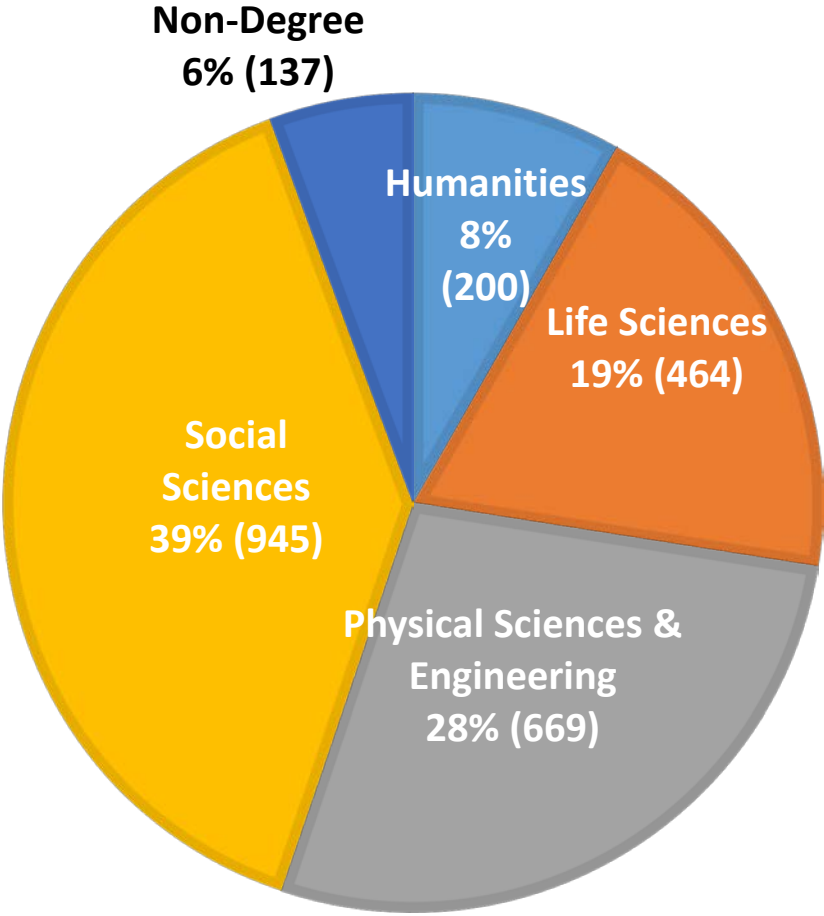
Overview of Results

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# Graduate Survey

- Purpose
  - Gauge how CUL supports grad students (resources, services & spaces)
  - Learn where we can improve
  - Learn about graduate students' life
- Reach
  - Ithaca: Grad School, Law, Johnson, Vet (distance programs, 1 & 2 year Masters & Phd)
  - NYC: Weill Med Cornell, Cornell Tech (PA, MD, MA, Phd)
- Response Rate
  - 2784 (32%)

# Responses by Discipline

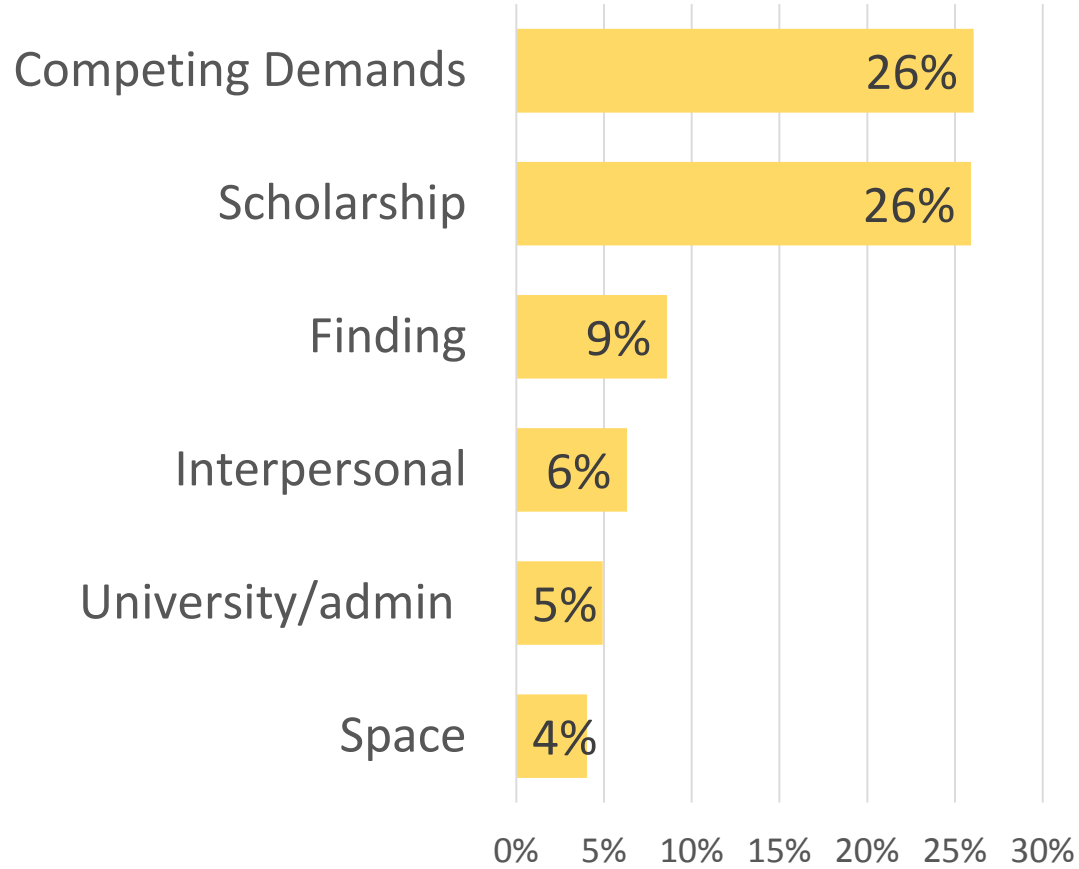


~40 %  
international  
students

# Grad Student Life

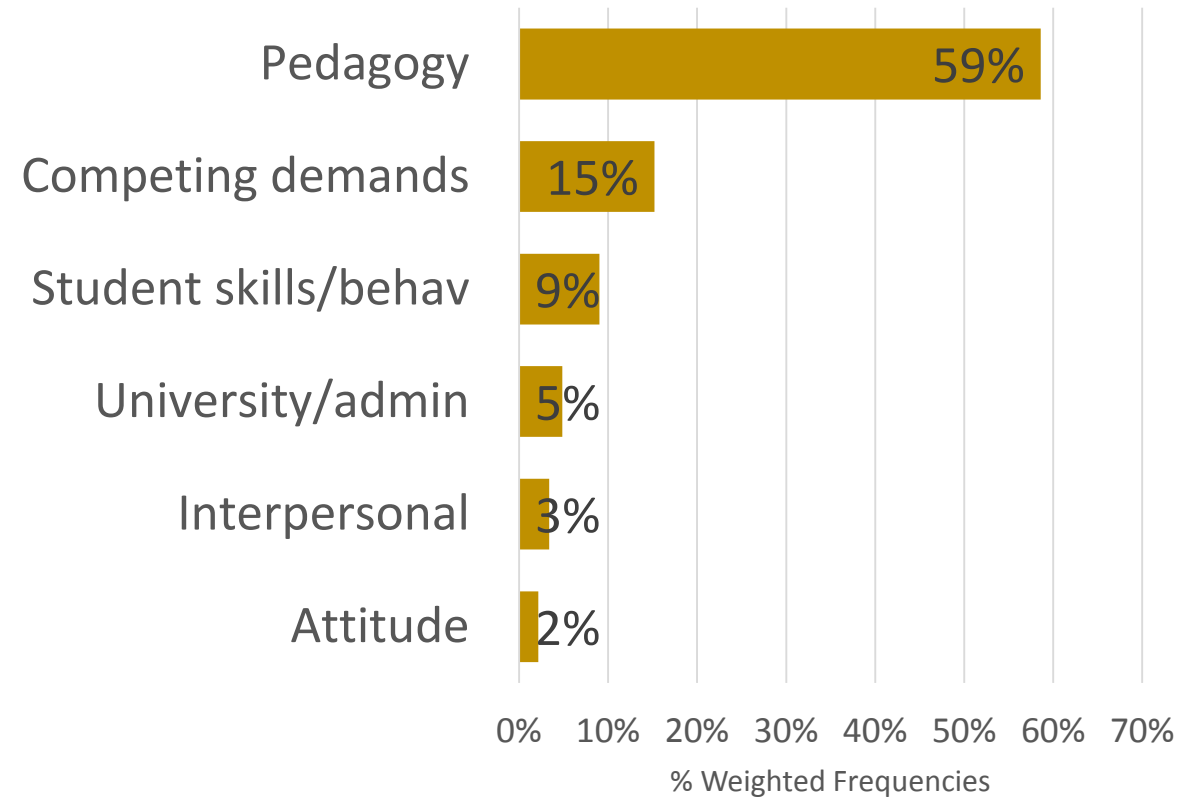
# What are their challenges?

## Academic



> 2000 responses

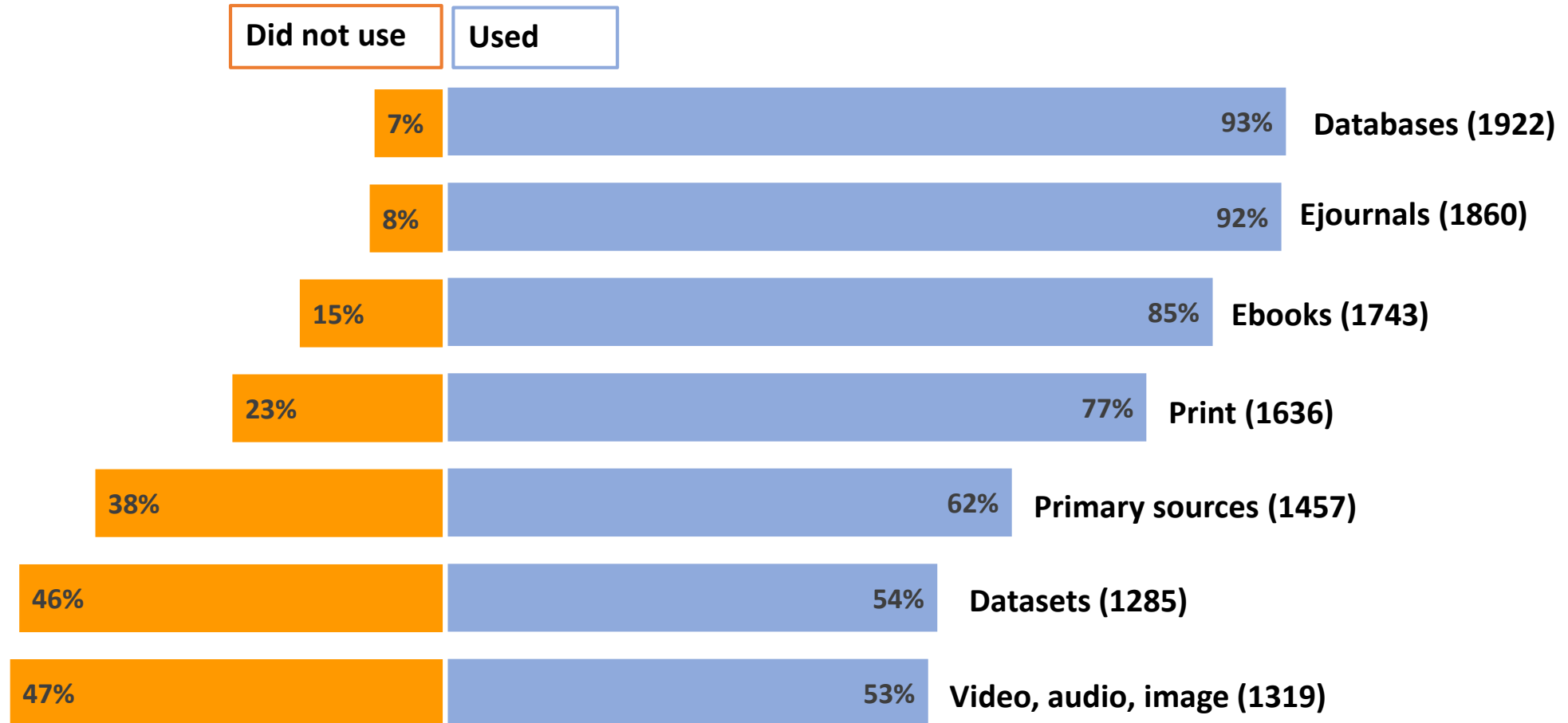
## Teaching



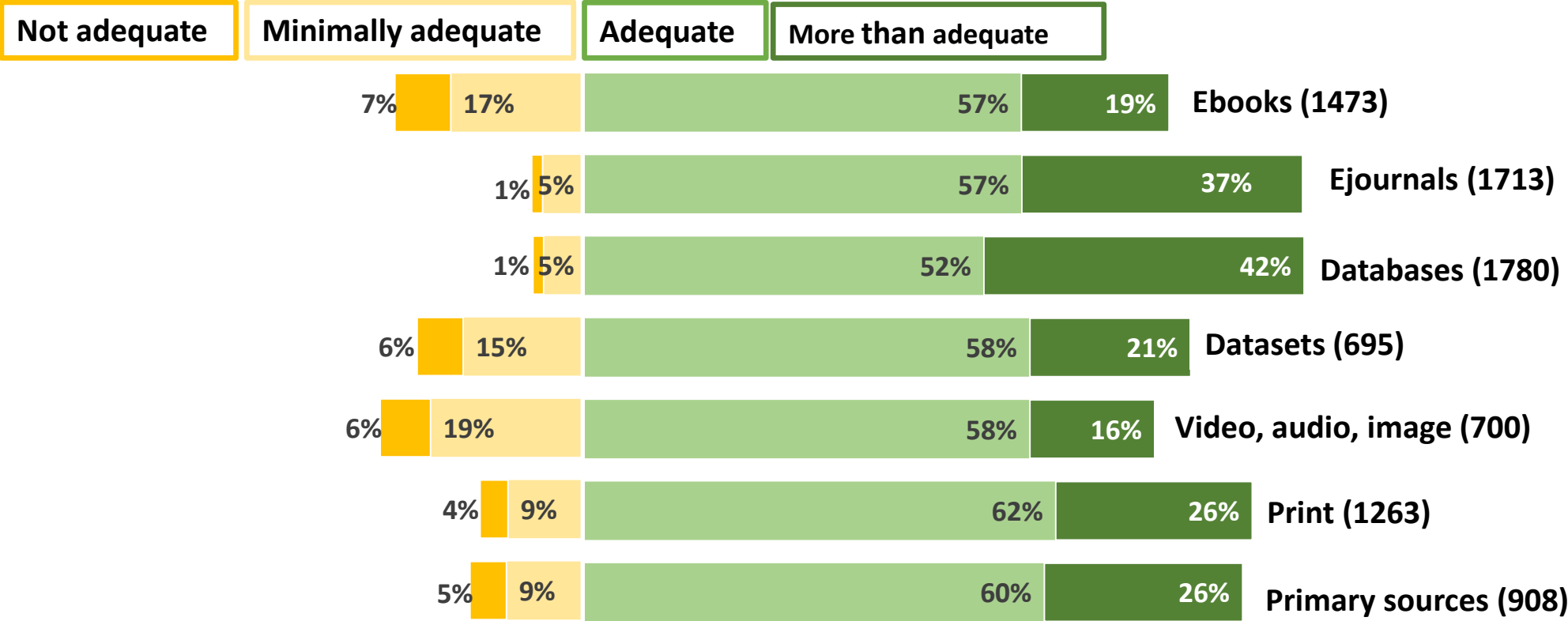
< 400 responses

# Collections

# Use of Materials and Collections

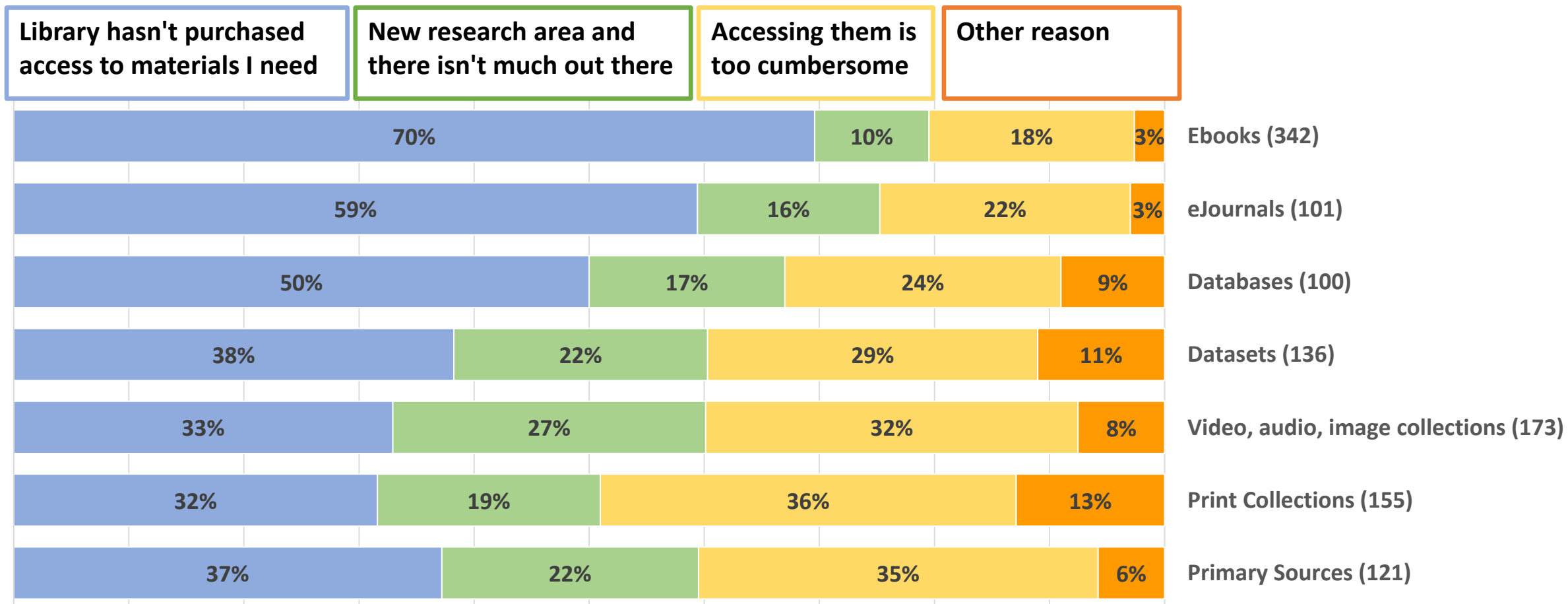


# Adequacy of Materials and Collections





# Reasons for Materials/Collections Inadequacy



# What are they saying about library collections?

## **Textbooks**

- *Access to required/optional textbooks as a distance learning student on a budget.*

## **Multiple Copies**

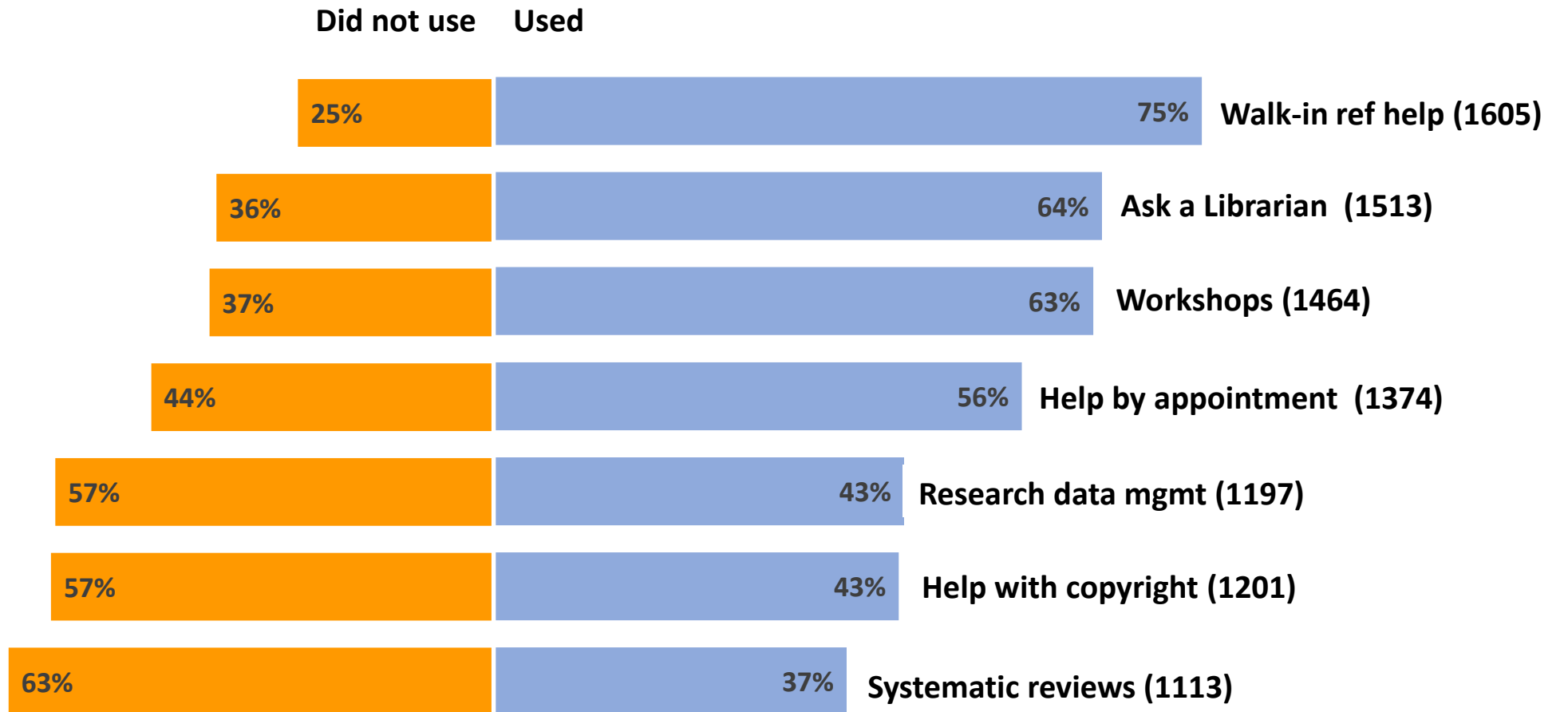
- *Oftentimes study aids are missing/not on the shelf. Perhaps getting multiple copies of some would help?*

## **eBooks**

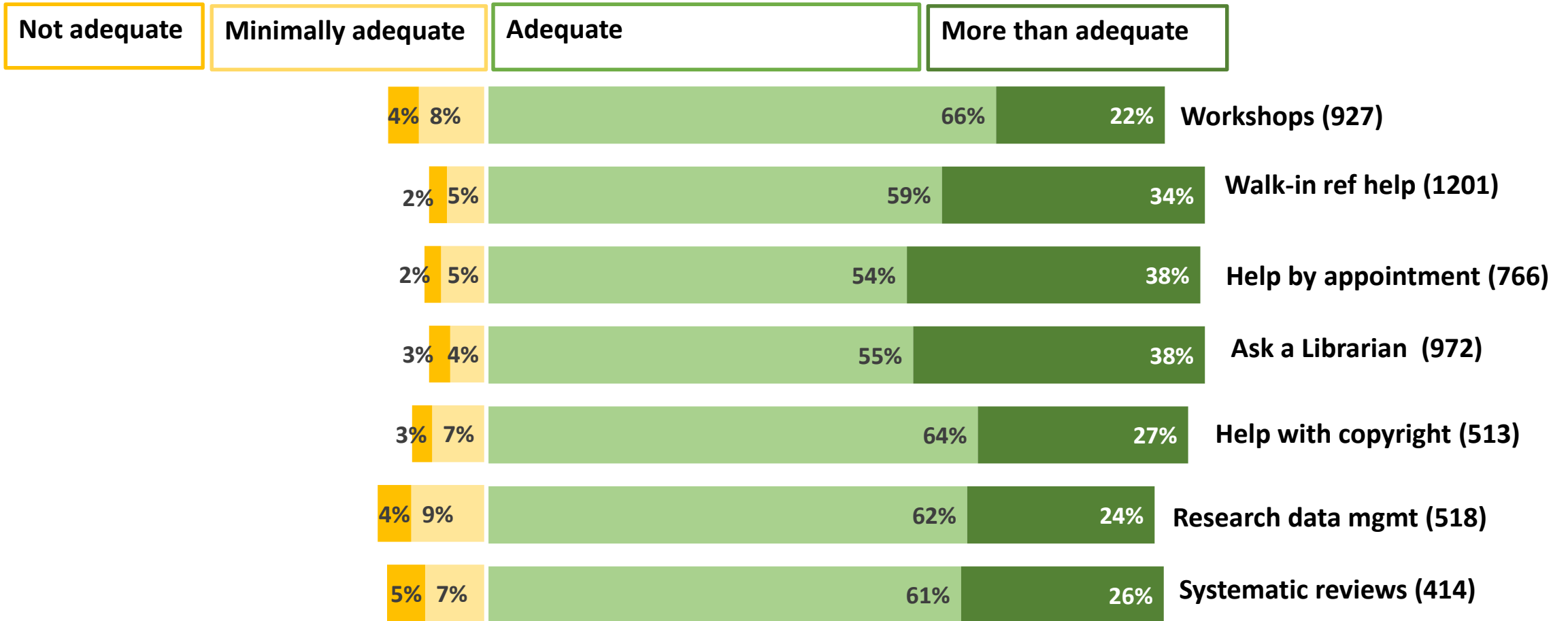
- *ebooks that can only be accessed by one person at a time*

Services

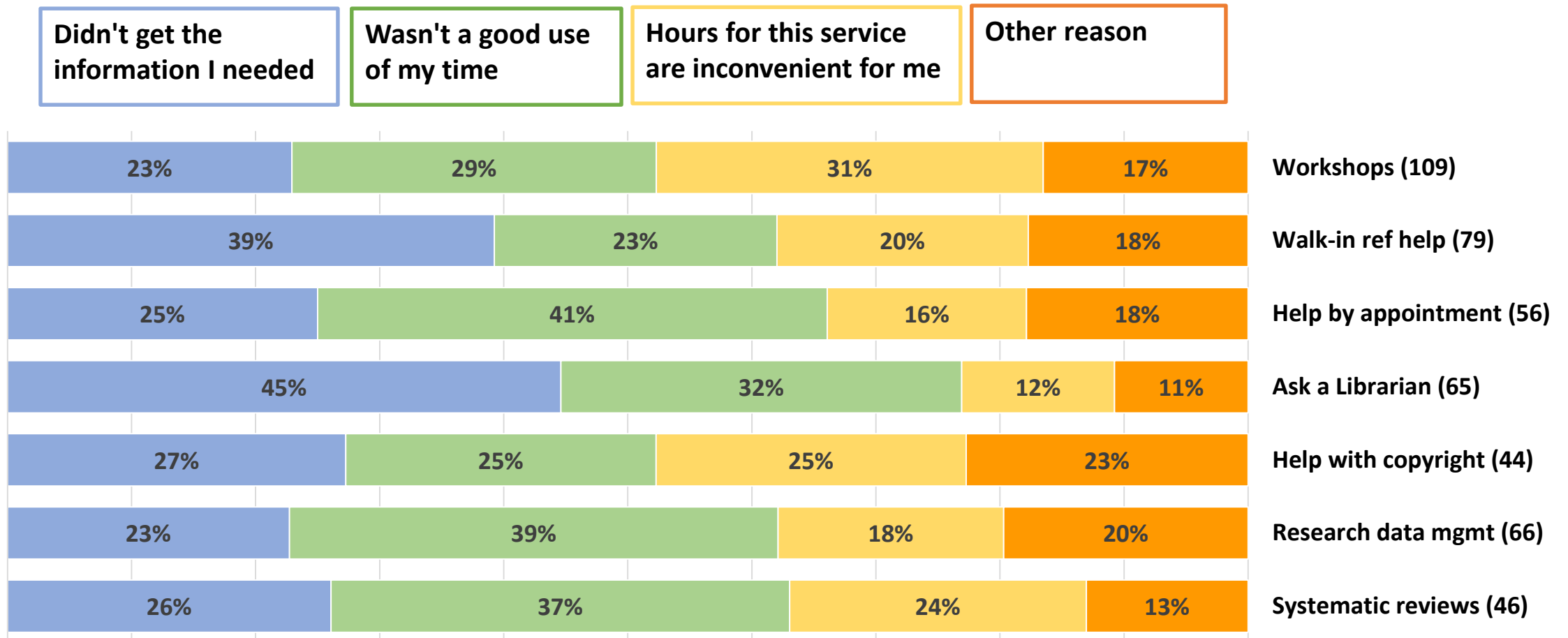
# Use of Library Services



# Adequacy of library services



# Reasons for inadequacy of services



# What are they saying about library services?

## **Awareness & help developing expertise**

- *teach me how to do proper research in a topic and make me aware of the resources available*

## **Hours**

- *...it would be nice if they would open at 7:30 instead of 8:00.*

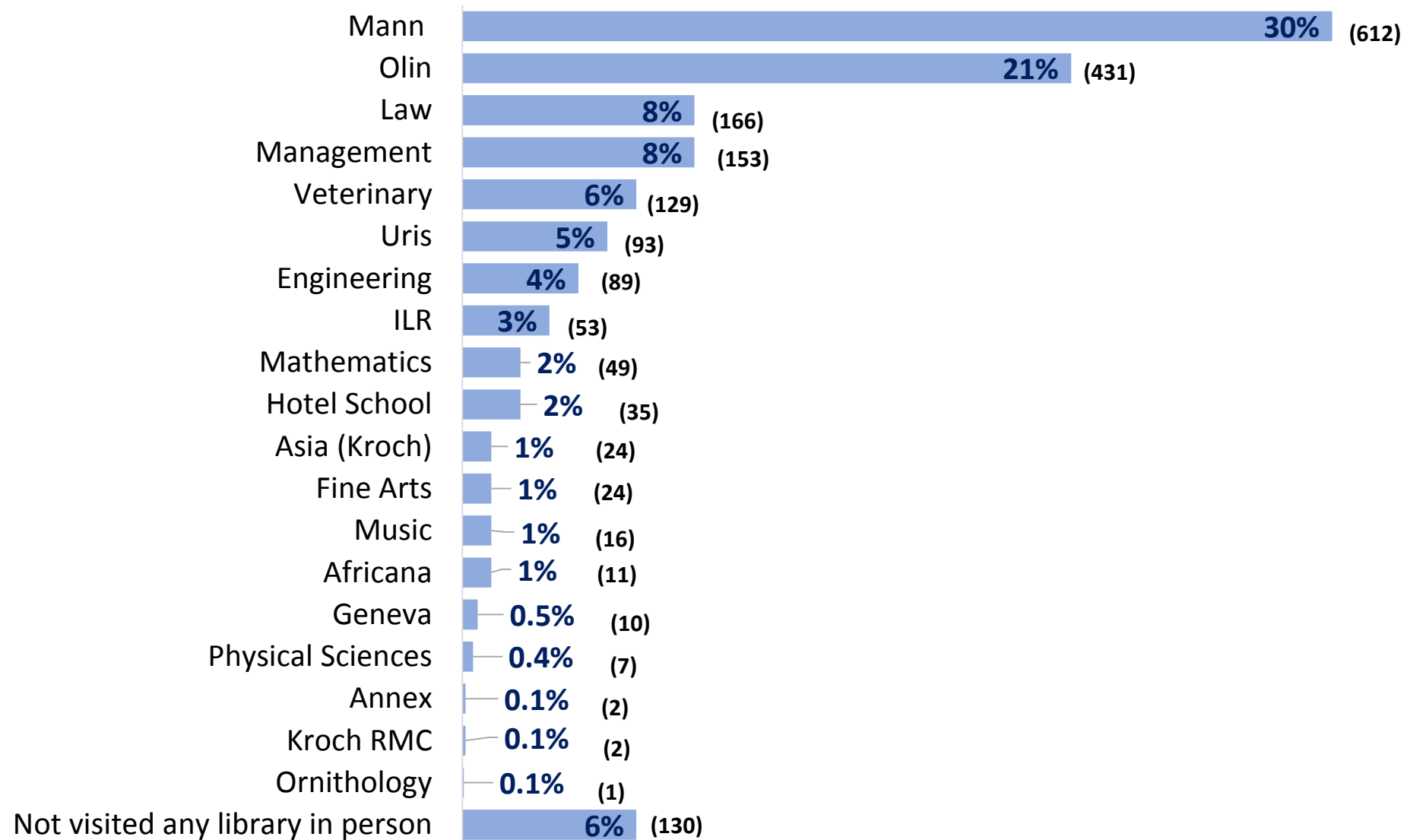
## **Library policies**

- *more access to multimedia materials--longer loan periods on ILS materials in these formats*

# Use of Physical Library

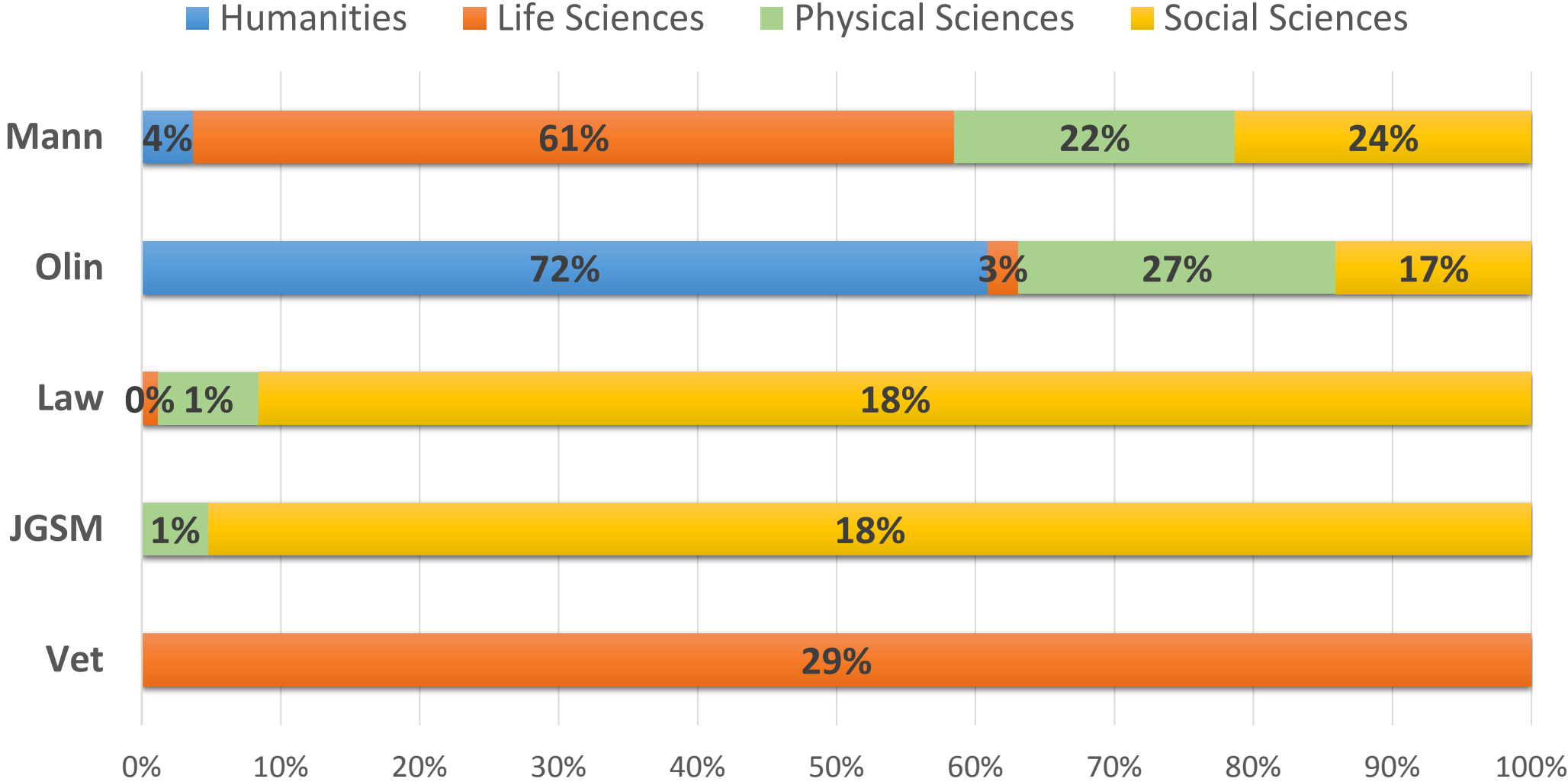


# Library most frequently visited in person

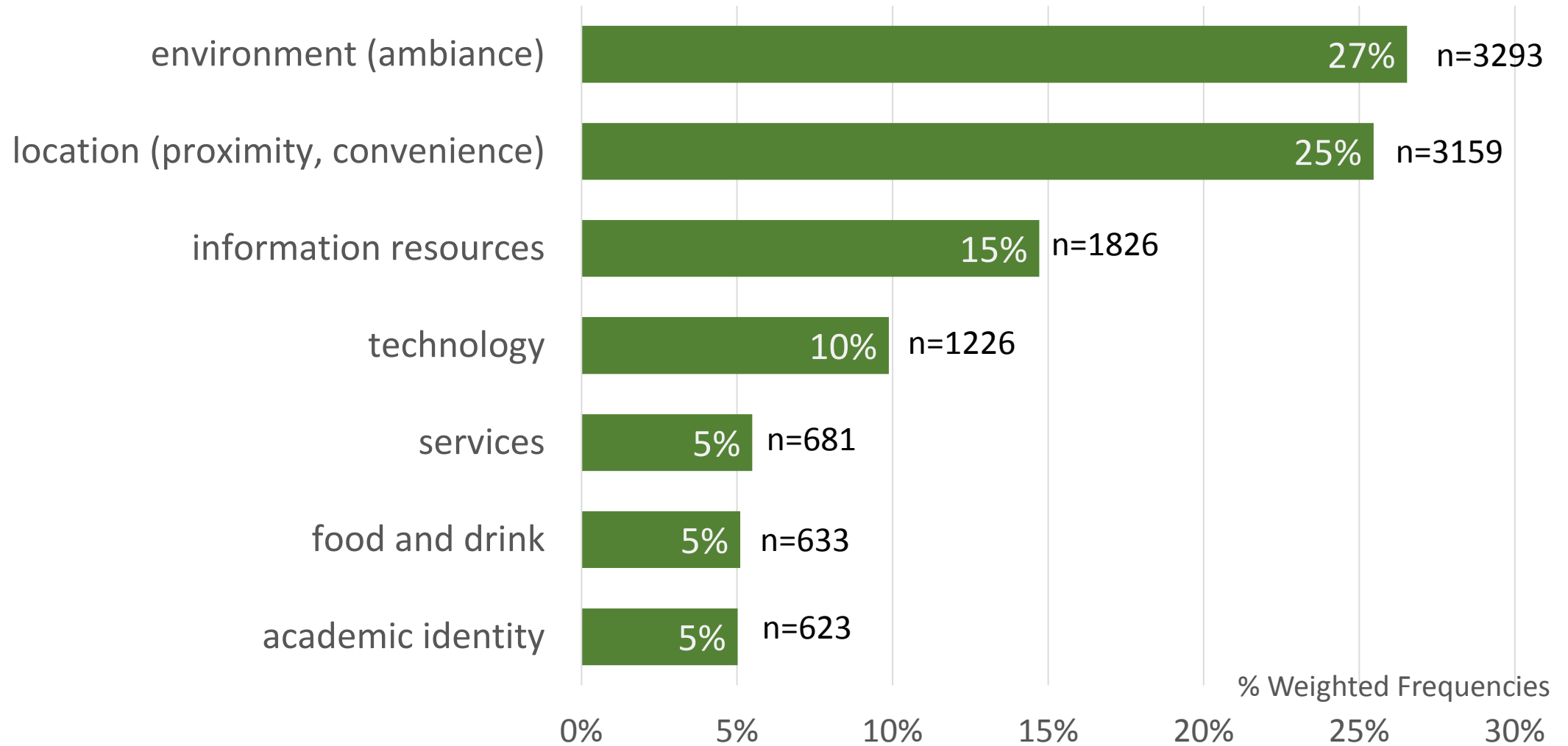


N = 1907 (excluding 130 who did not visit any library)

# Library choice by discipline



# Reasons for library choice



# Top five reasons for library choice by discipline

## Humanities

- information resources
- environment
- location
- food and drink
- services

## Life Sciences

- location
- environment
- information resources
- technology
- food and drink

## Social Sciences

- environment
- location
- information resources
- technology
- academic identity

## Physical Sci & Engineering

- environment
- location
- Information resources
- technology
- food and drink

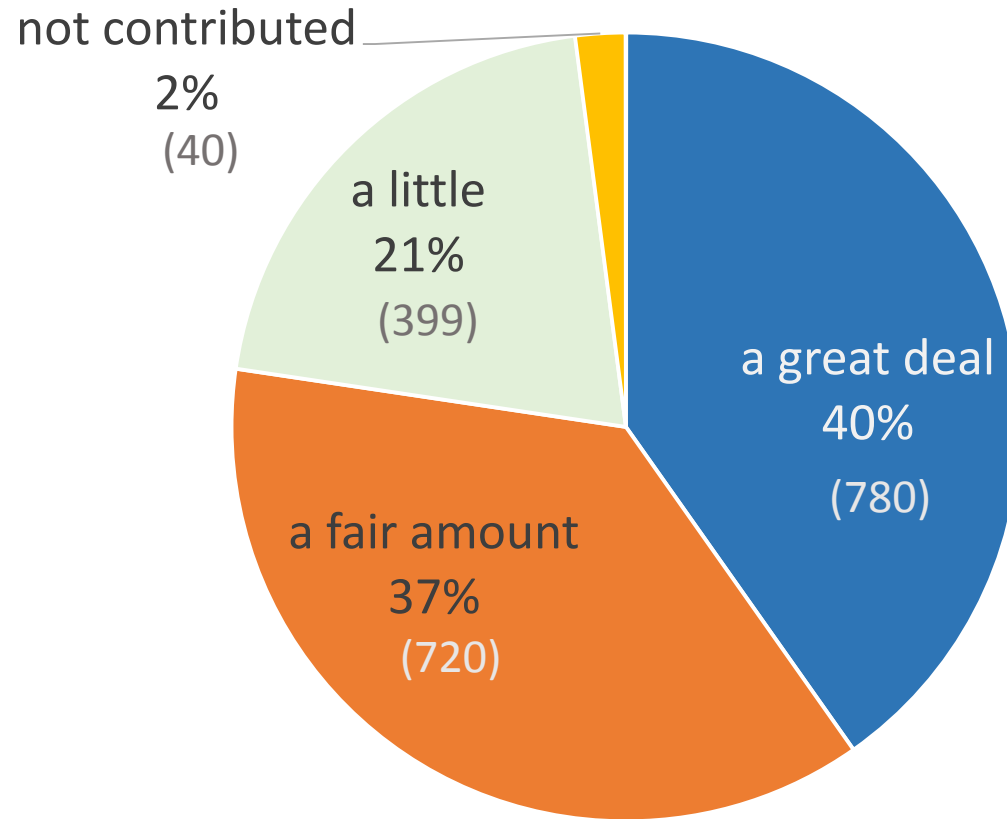
## Non-Degree

- location
- information resources
- environment
- academic identity
- services

# Perception of and suggestions for the Library

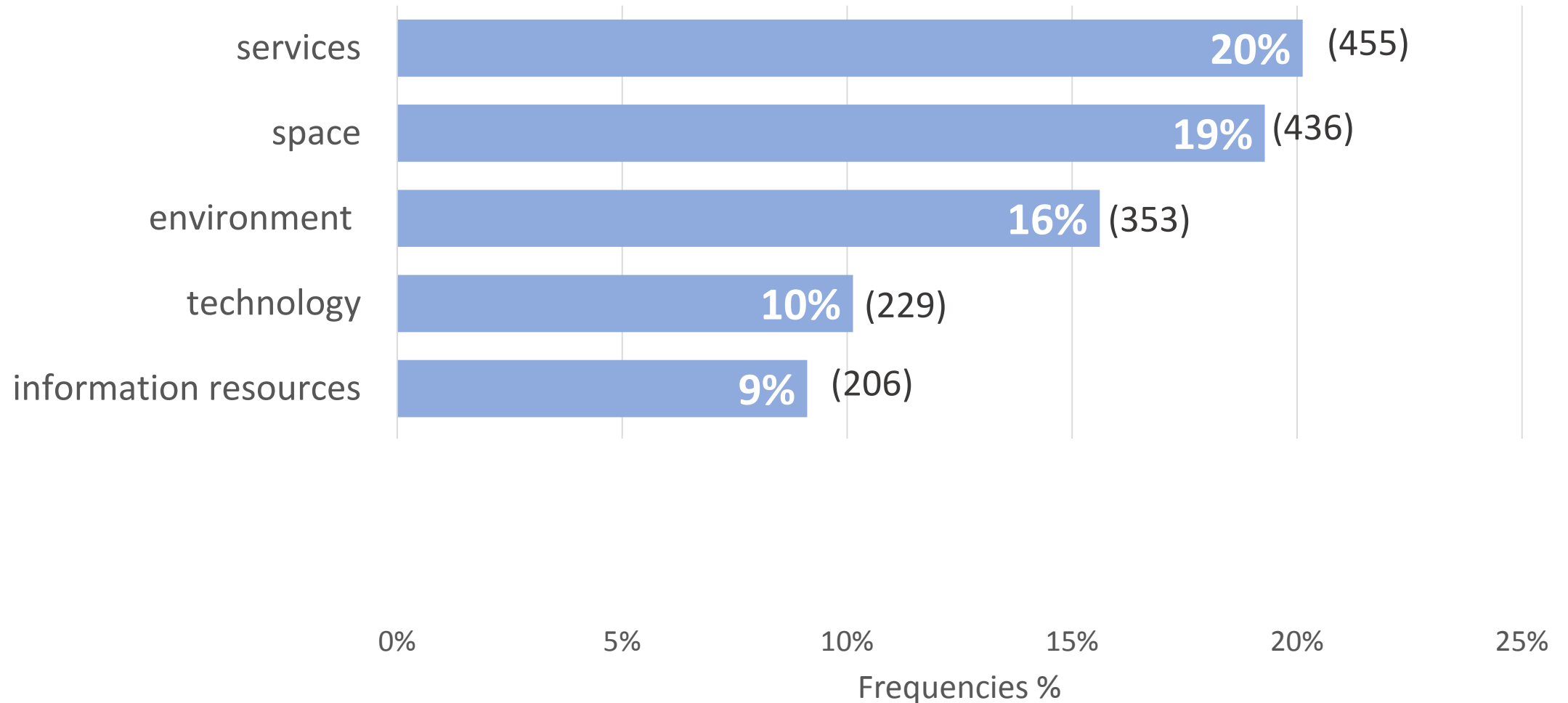
# Library's contribution to their success

The library has contributed.....



Suggestions

# How can the library improve?





Future outlook

# Future:

## What students would like from the University & the Library

- **Career support:**
  - Networking opportunities with alumni, recruiters, potential employers
  - Mentoring / guidance
  - Skill building: resume writing, mock interviews, etc.
  - Information on alternative career paths
- **Library information resources:**
  - Access post-graduation

# Results Online

Assessment & Communication: <https://ac.library.cornell.edu/data>

> Find Data & Reports

> Graduate Student Survey 2016

Thank you.