

# Regional Advisory Committee Transportation Systems Meeting


June 9, 2020

# Agenda

1. Plan Status \ Plan Timeline
2. Transportation impacts of COVID-19
3. Transportation themes to cover in LRTP
4. Future Meeting Format

# L RTP Development Timeline

Develops Goals and Strategies for plan  
(December 2020)



Board Approves Goals and Strategies  
(Early 2021)



Plan Development (2021 - 2022)

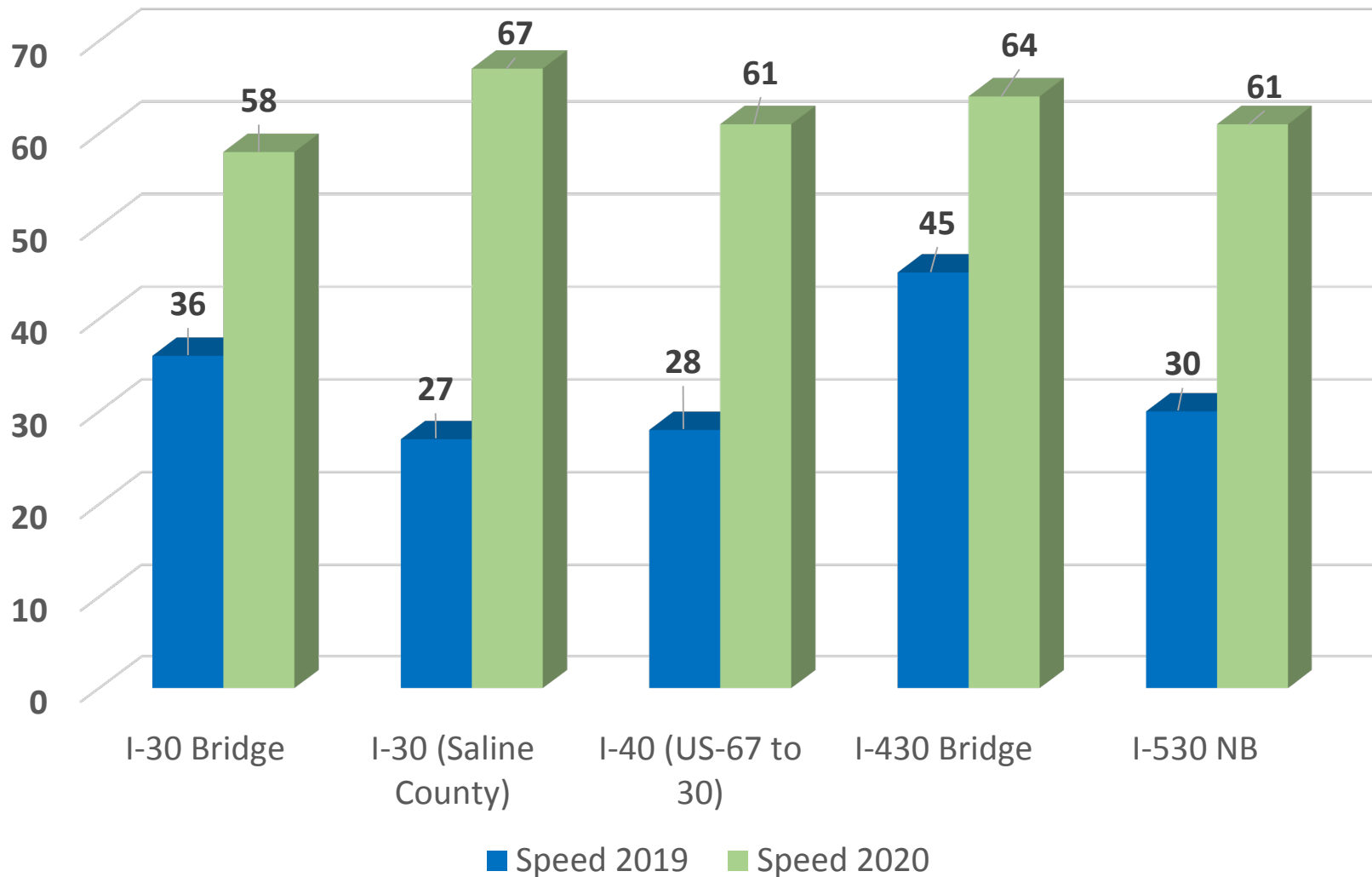


Board Adopts Plan (Year end 2022)

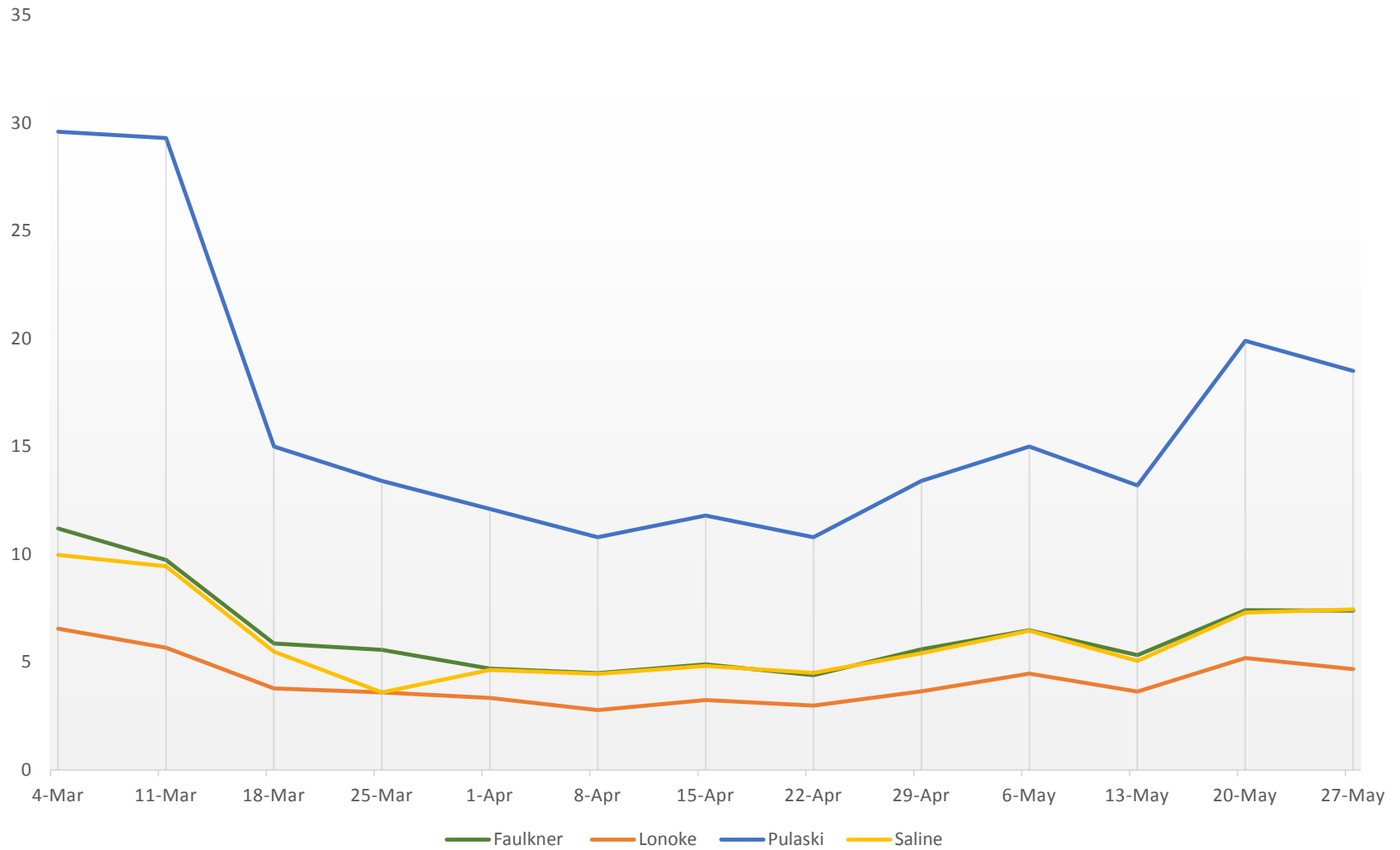
# Transportation Impacts of COVID-19

- Dramatically decreased VMT
- Dramatically decreased AM/PM peak volumes
- Increased fatal crashes per VMT
- Dramatically decreased transit ridership
- Increased bicycling

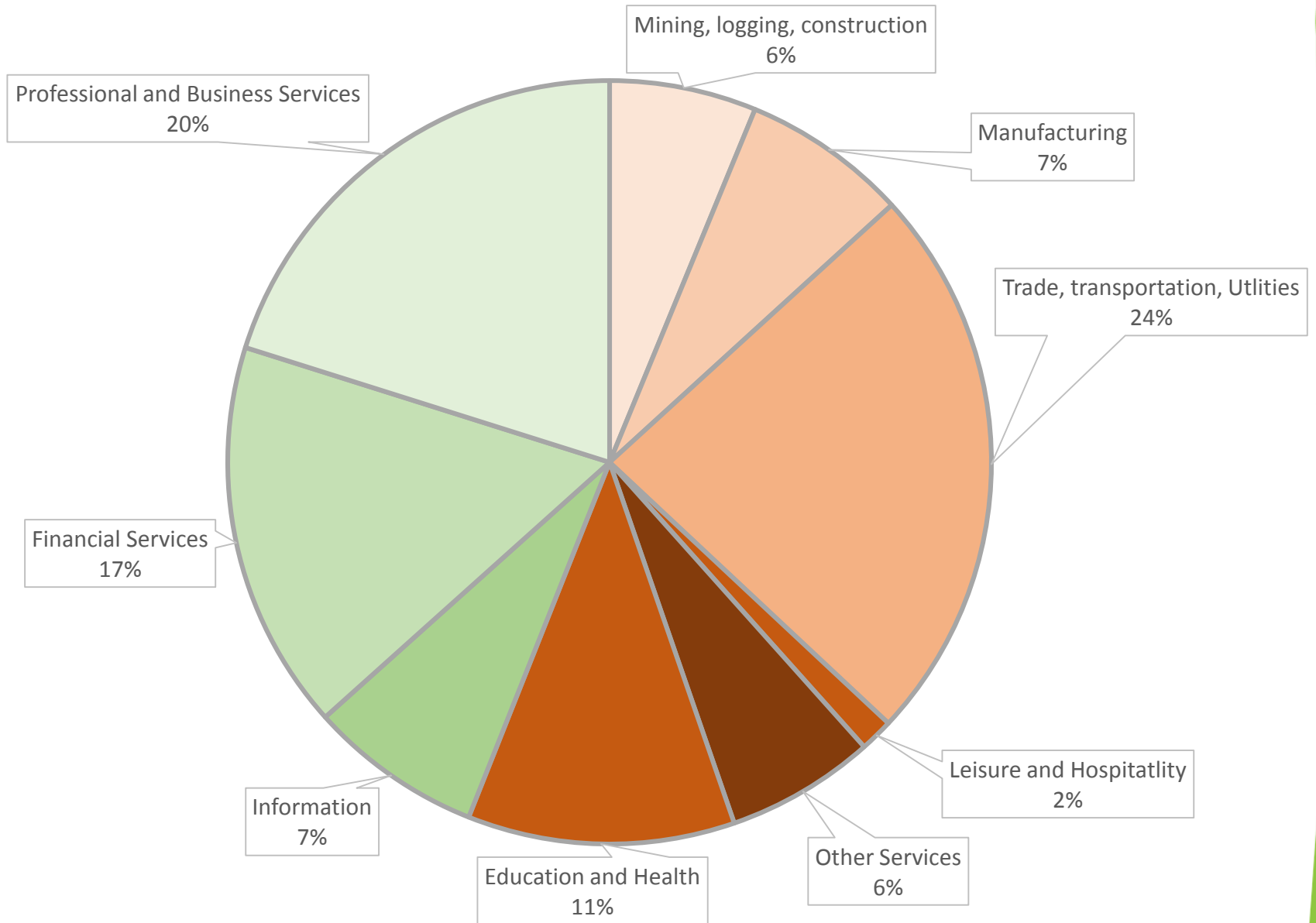
## Travel Speeds April 2019 vs April 2020



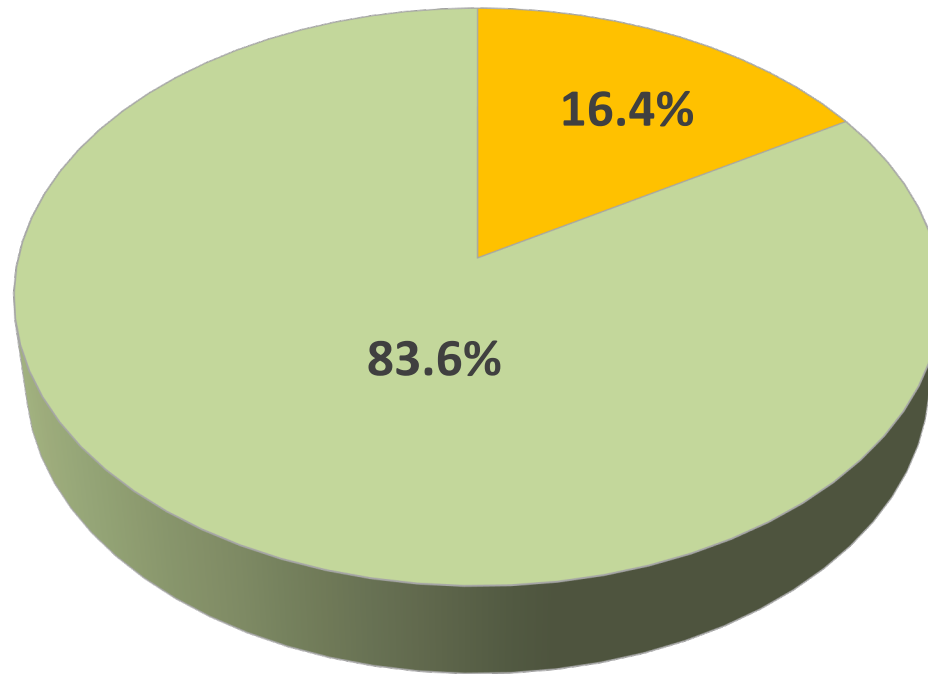
# VMT Trend March 4 to May 27



# LR-NLR- Conway MSA Employment by Sector



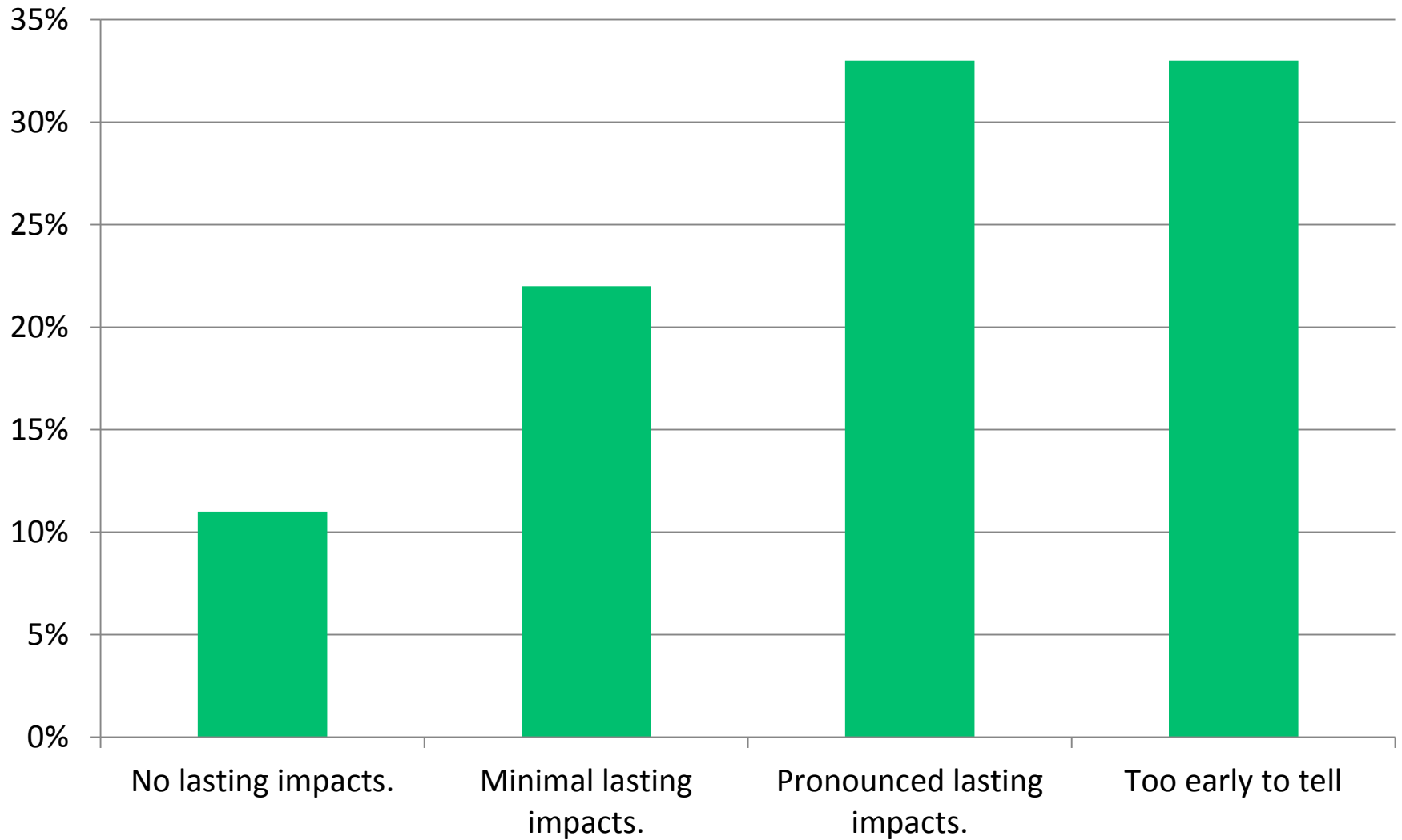
## CARTS Trips by purpose



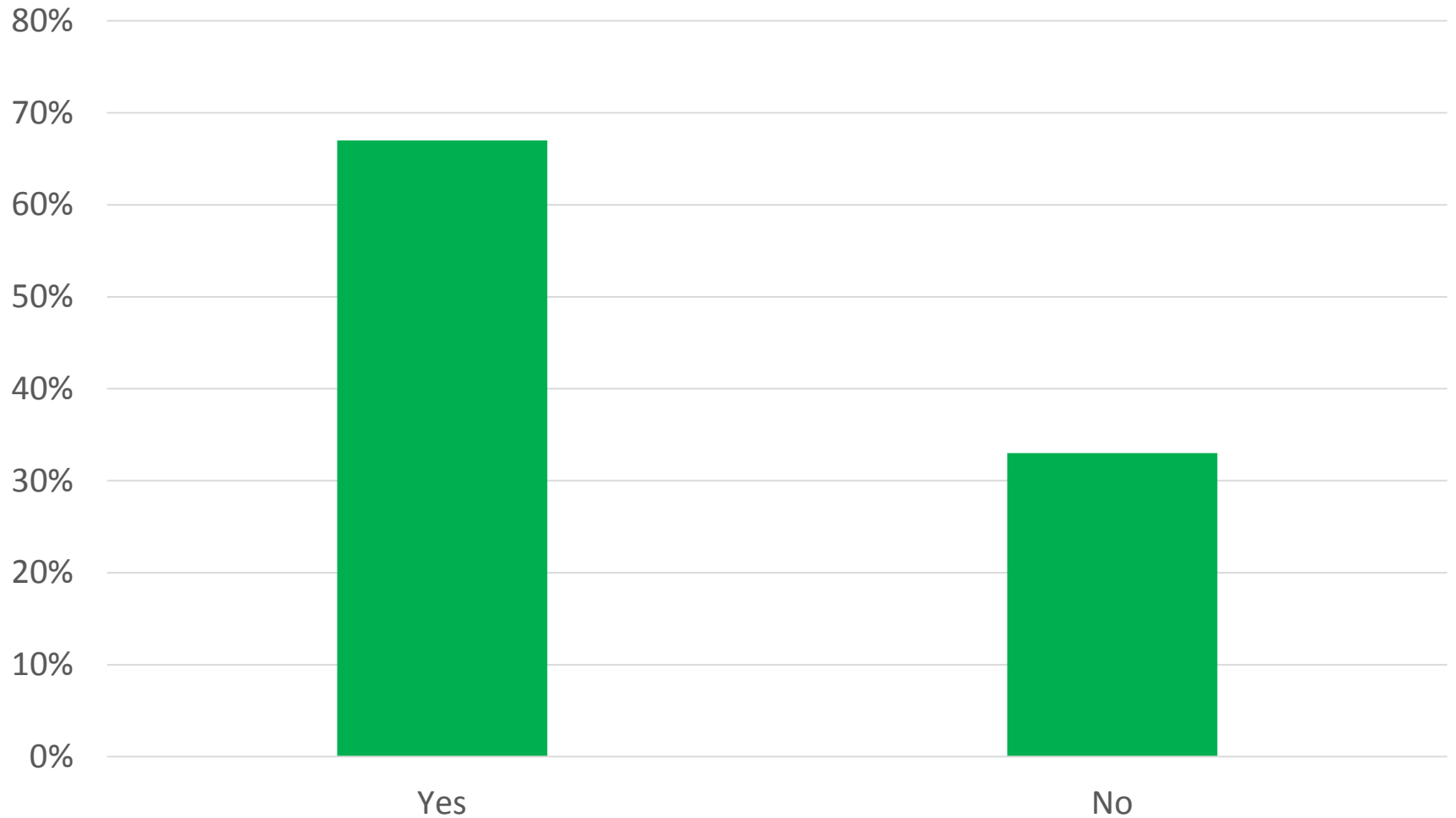
■ Homebased Work    ■ All other trip purposes



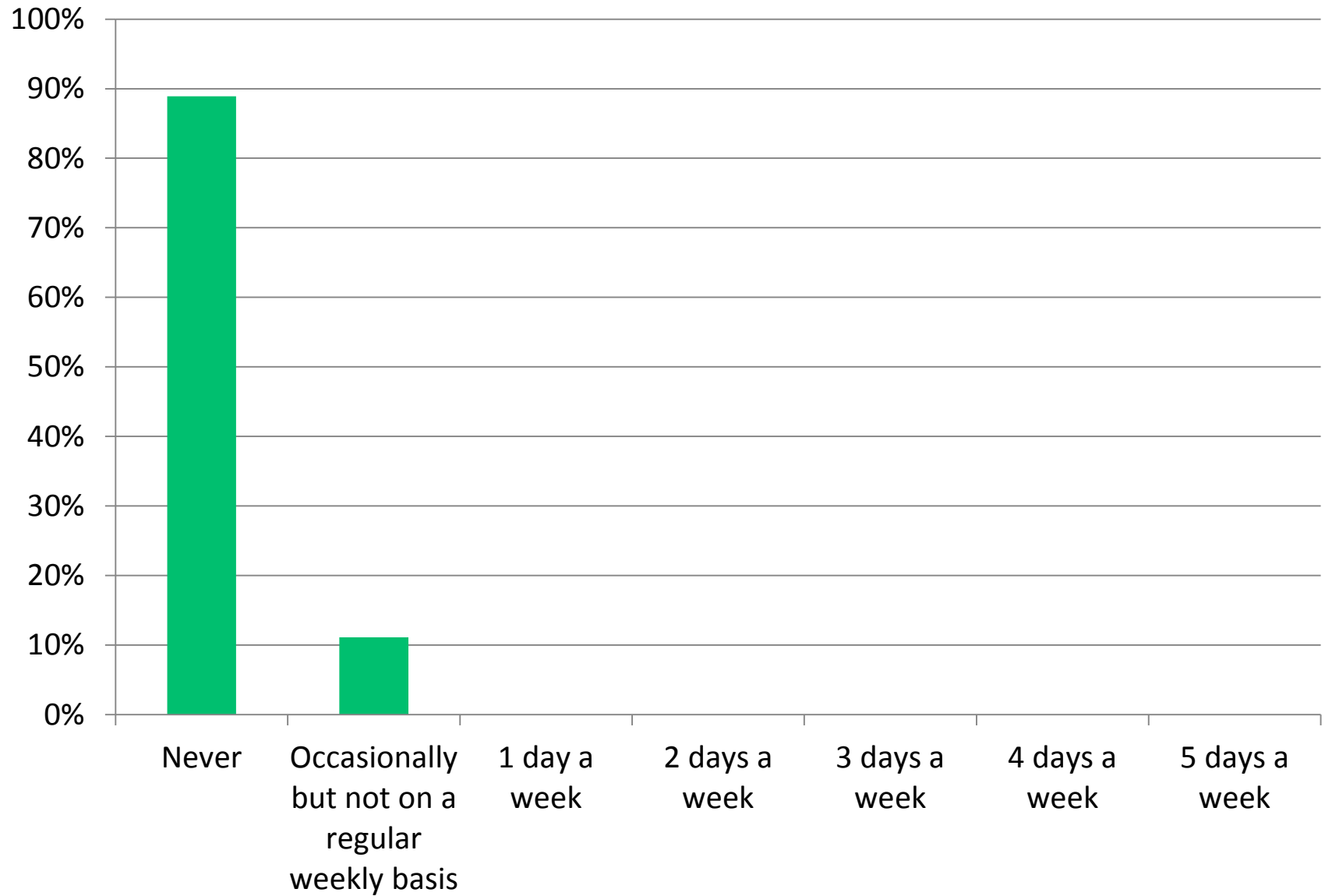
## Will recent changes in travel behavior result in permanent impacts on travel demand?



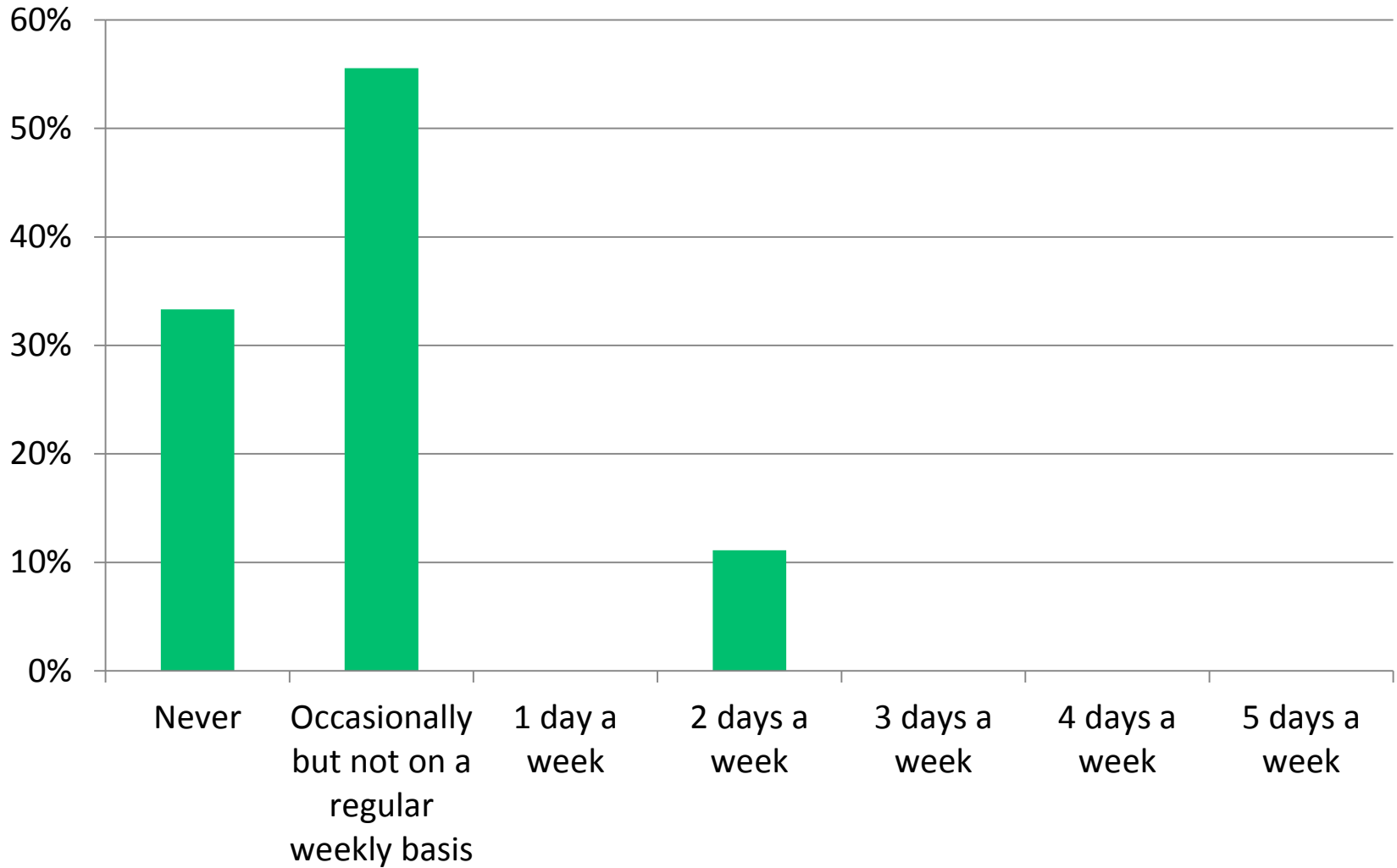
# If your office allows increased work from home options will you take advantage of them in the future?



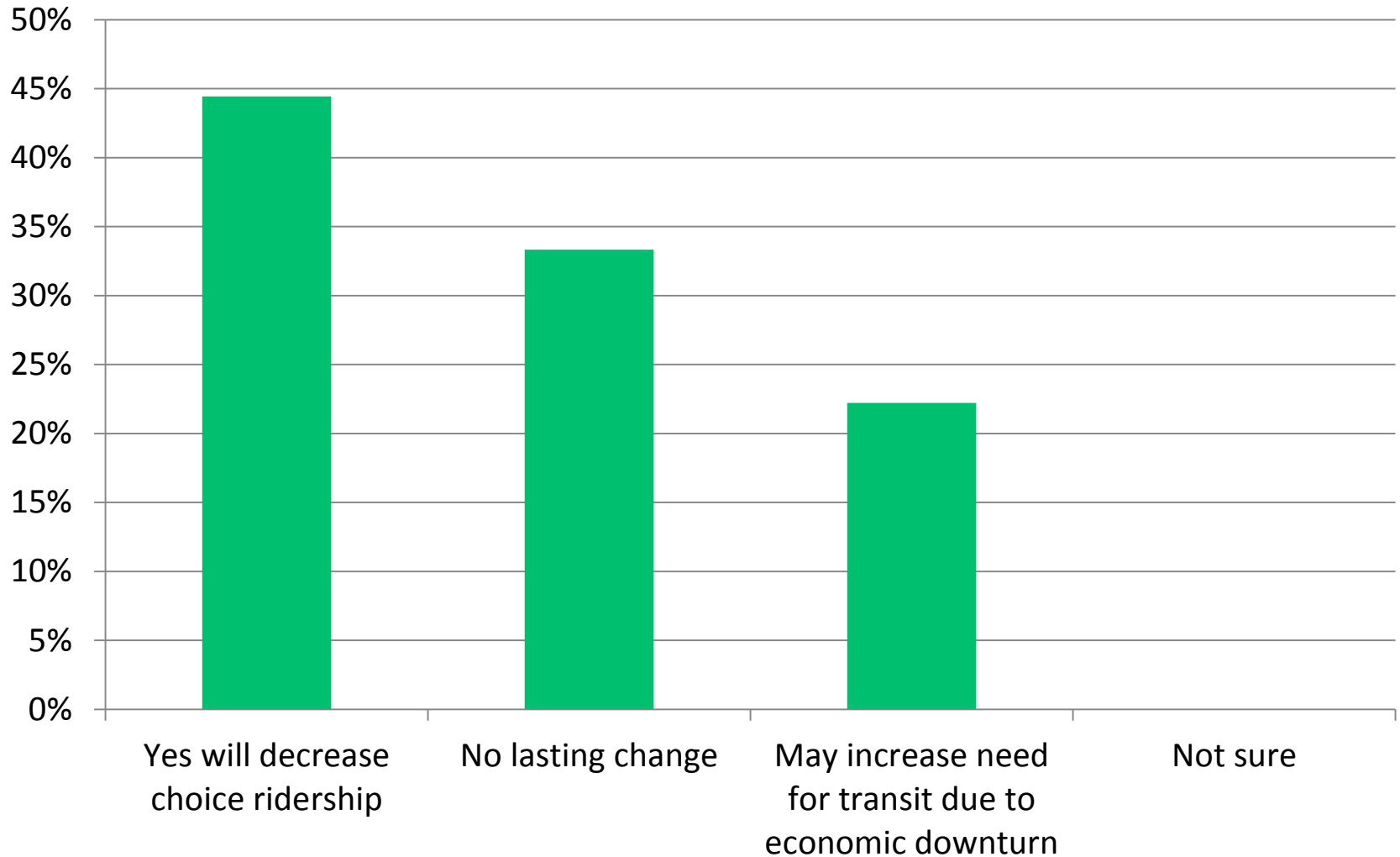
## How often did you work from home before COVID-19



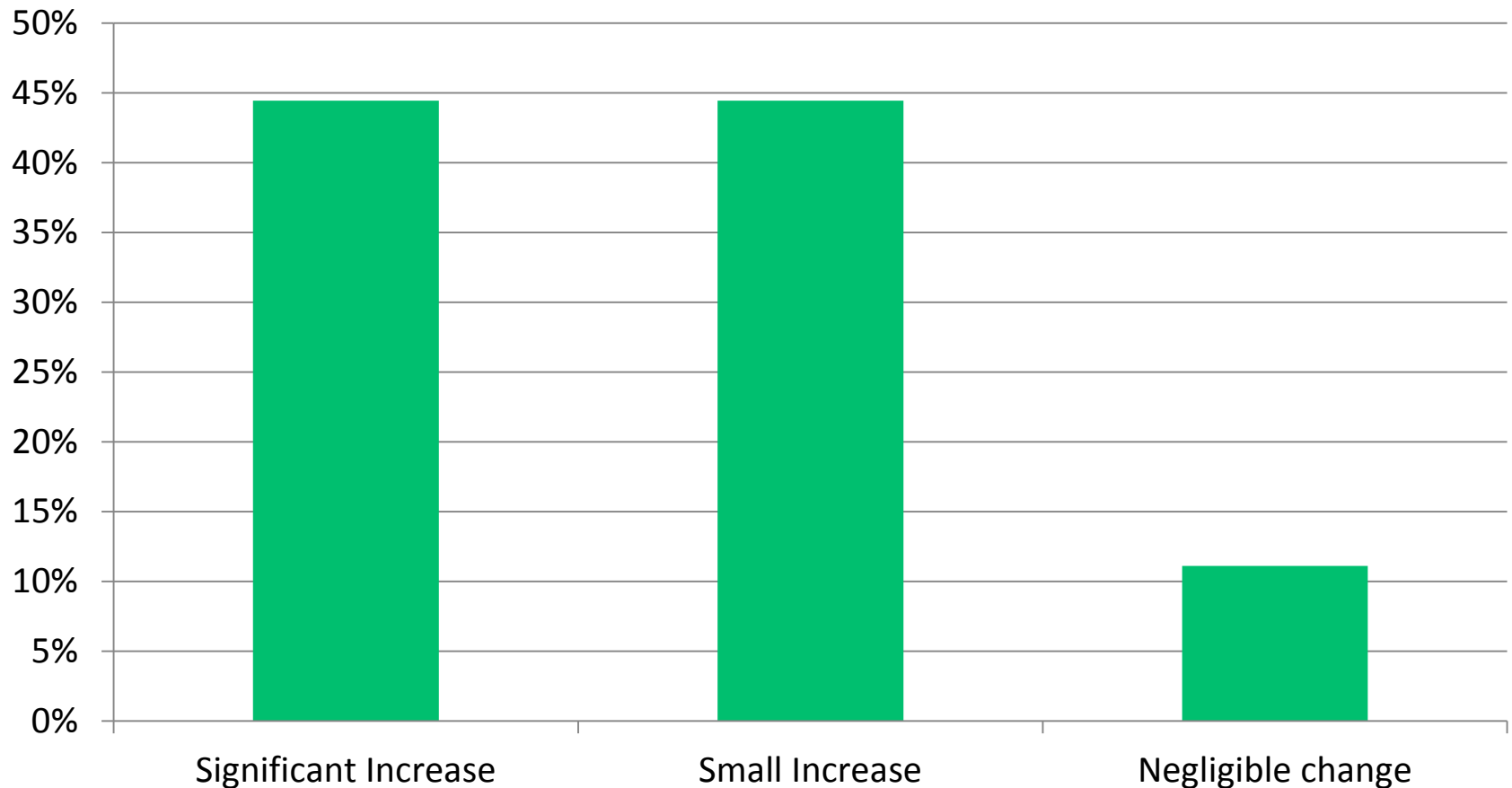
## How often do you anticipate working from home post COVID-19



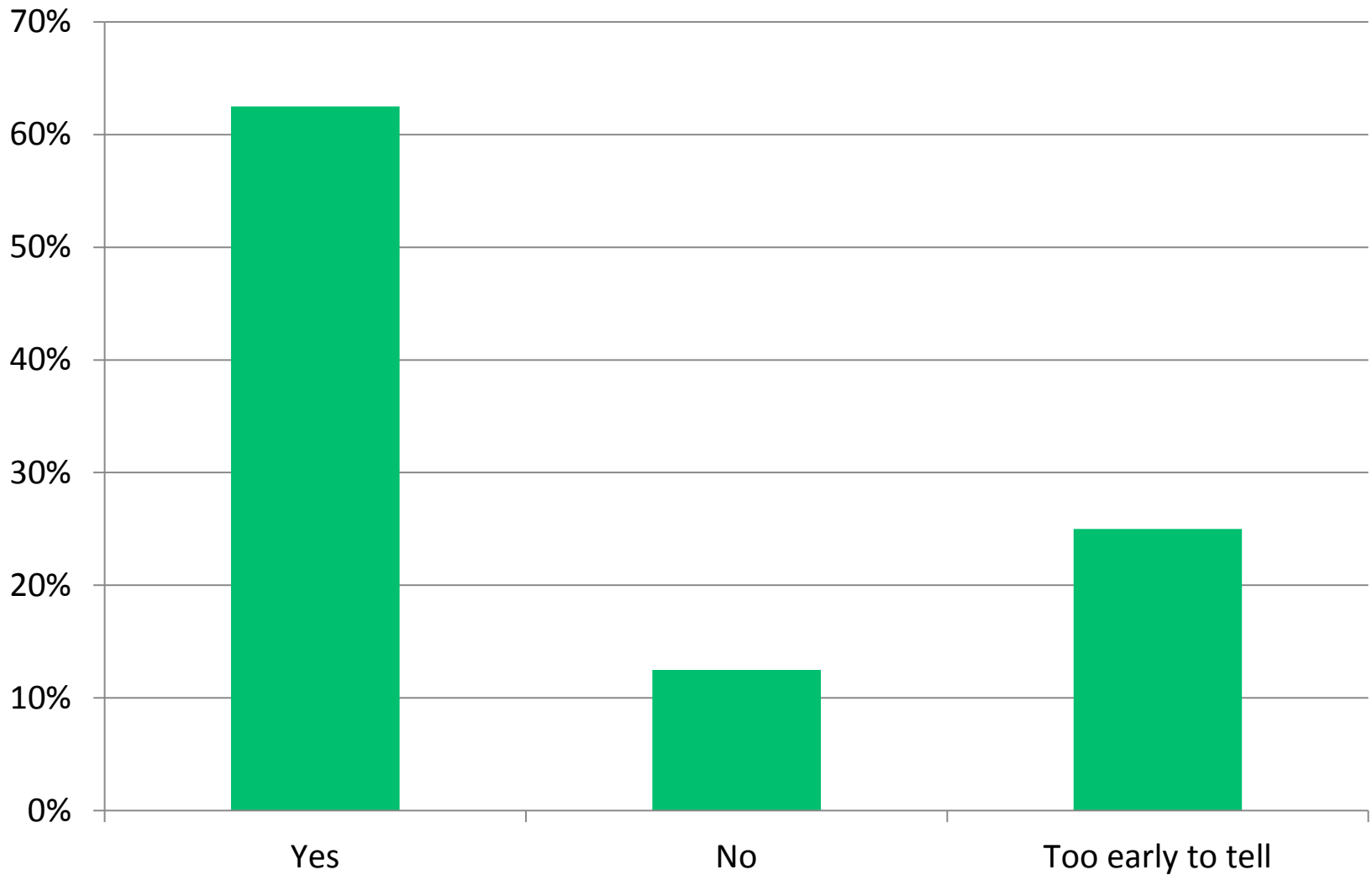
## Will COVID-19 affect the public's willingness to take transit in the long term



# Will recent changes in travel behavior result in increased bike commuting or other non-recreational bike ridership in the future in Central Arkansas?



Do potential future changes in travel behavior that may result from the COVID-19 episode warrant rethinking long term transportation planning priorities?



## **LRTP Transportation Themes**

1. A more equitable transportation system which provides mobility options for all
2. The region needs to become more pedestrian and bicycle friendly
3. Utilize access management and ITS to improve system efficiency
4. Greater regional cooperation and coordination are needed in the planning process
5. Further develop and take full advantage of multimodal assets such as the LR Port
6. Expanded transit options are needed
7. Transportation and land use planning need stronger linkages



## Additional transportation themes

- Safety
- Accessibility
- System Preservation
- System resiliency and reliability