



GP Commissioning Poll

Final Results

July 2011

INTRODUCTION

The initial results of Sheffield LMC's GP Commissioning Poll were formally presented at the LMC meeting on Monday 9 May 2011 and subsequently published on the LMC's website.

Analysis of the free text parts of the poll then took place. The results that follow are presented as citywide responses and responses by consortia. The overall response rate is also shown by contractual type, as suggested by the committee.

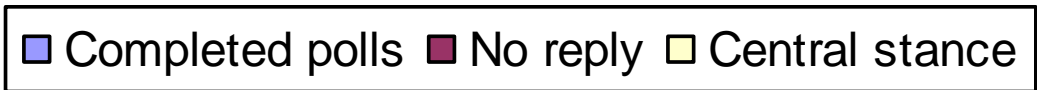
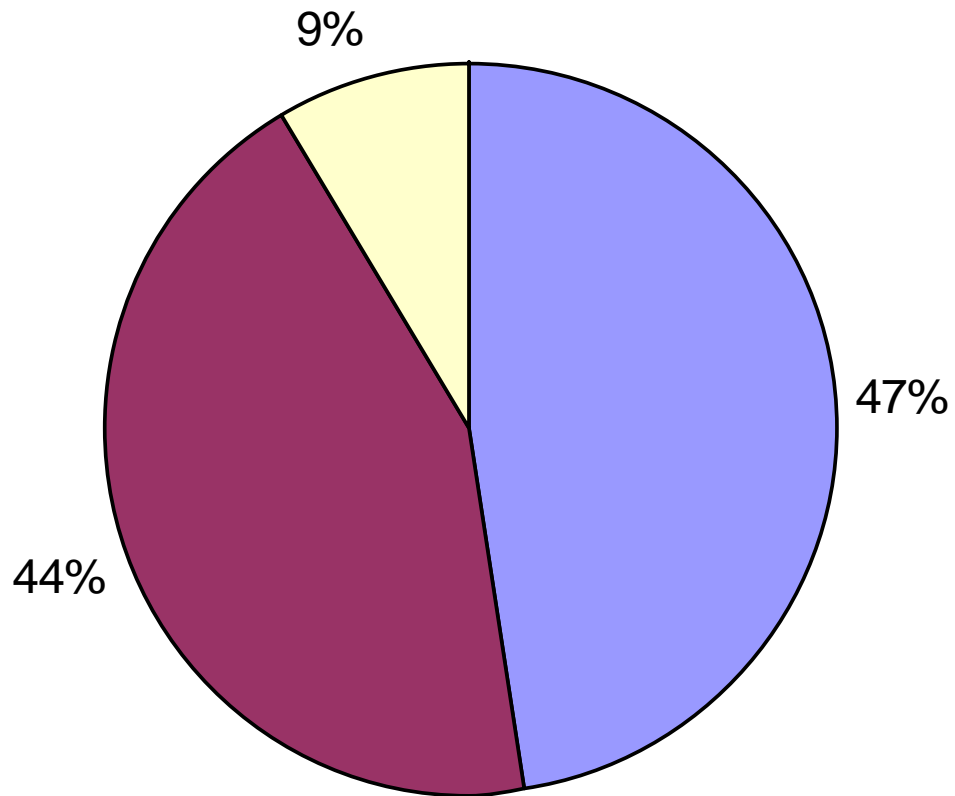
Some practices in the Central Consortium replied to the poll, confirming that they would not be completing the poll. There was some difficulty in deciding whether this constituted a response or non-response. Therefore, these doctors have been classed as 'Central Stance'.

If any represented GPs or Practice Managers have any comments or feedback they would like to submit to the LMC, regarding the LMC's GP Commissioning poll or the wider commissioning agenda, these would be welcomed via email to manager@sheffieldlmc.org.uk.

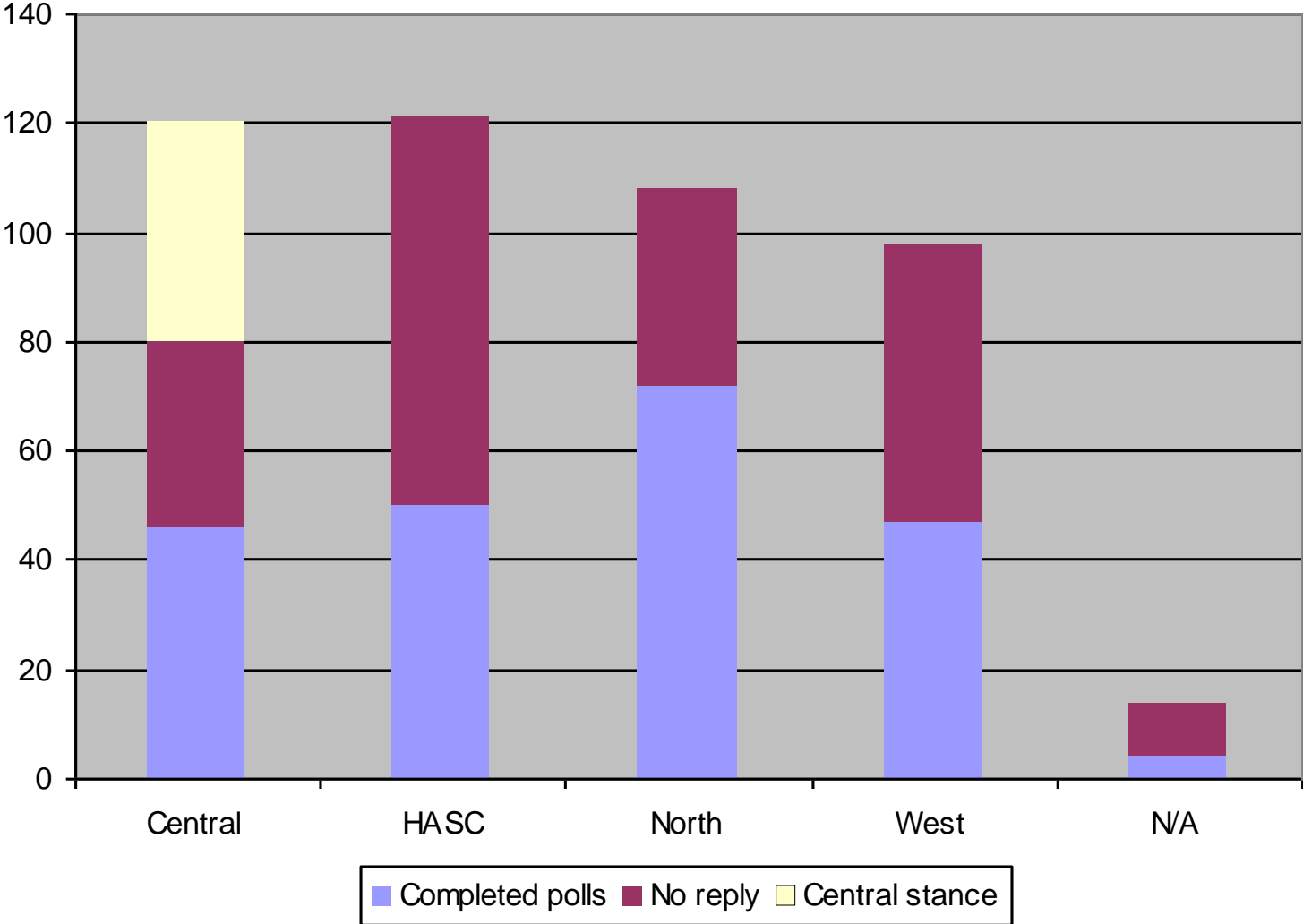
MAIN CONCLUSIONS

- 461 Sheffield GPs were polled.
- The response rate of completed polls was 48%.
- The overwhelming majority of responders wanted to see a single consortium model for Sheffield, with either formal or less formal locality links. This was confirmed in the free text responses received for question 1.3 'What would your preferred structure(s) be for the city?'
- The overwhelming majority wanted an election for clinical leadership and an assessment of competencies of candidates.
- Only a minority thought NHS Sheffield (NHSS) should be involved in appointing commissioning leaders, compared to the number thinking the LMC should.
- Nearly all responders thought that the GP Commissioning Board should consist of GPs. Most also thought there would be a role for Practice Managers and, fewer, but still a majority, thought Practice Nurses would have a role.
- Three quarters of responders favour formal LMC representation with no vote on a commissioning board.
- More than half of responders felt inadequately informed about changes planned by the White paper (now the Health and Social Care Bill) and nearly the same number thought that their views on current commissioning intentions are not accurately reflected.
- A small number of doctors felt that they could be involved as clinical leaders.

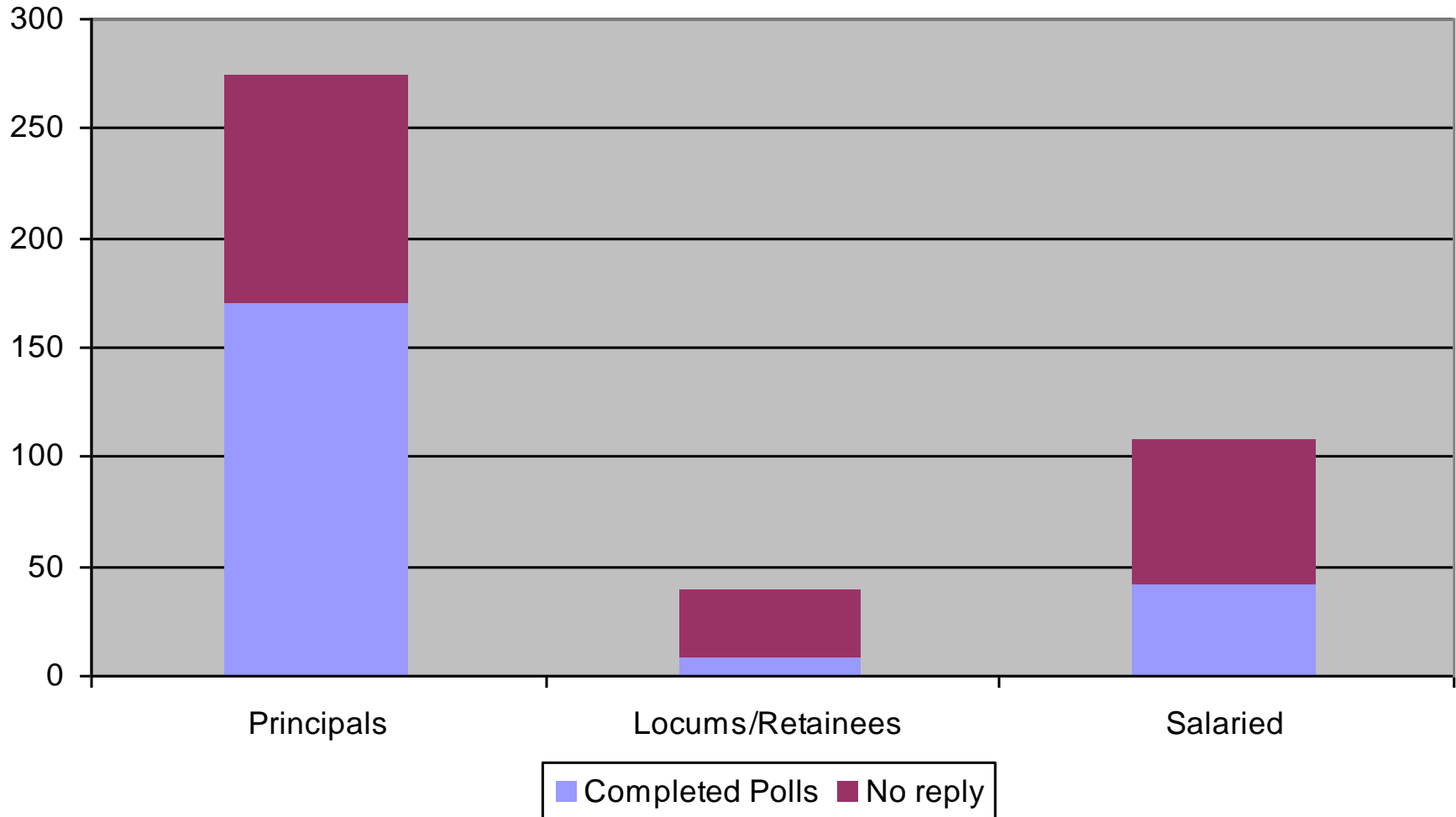
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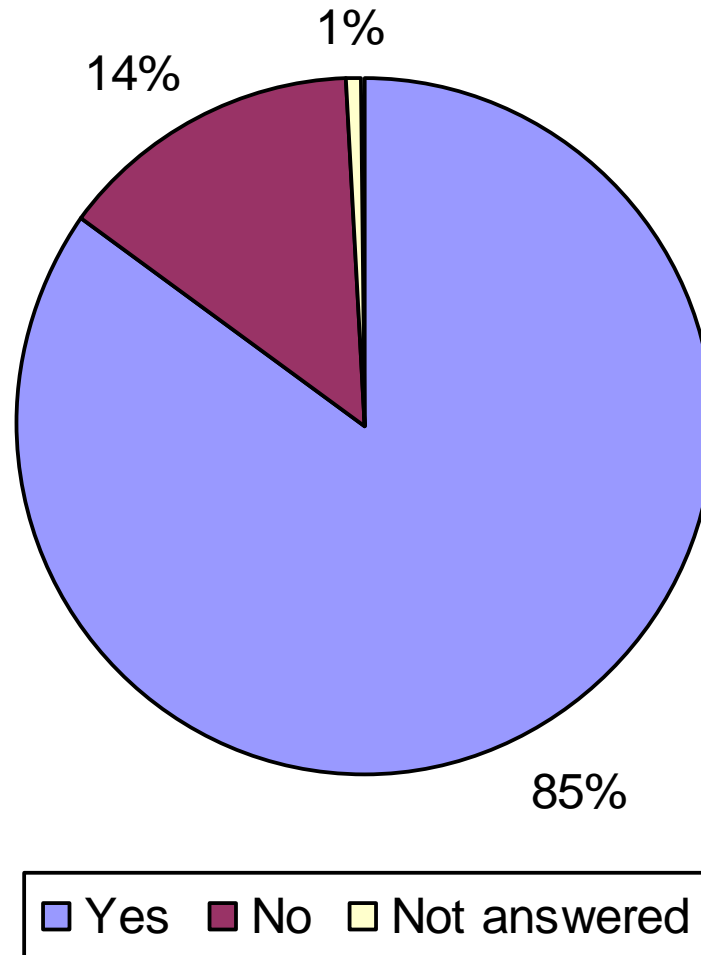
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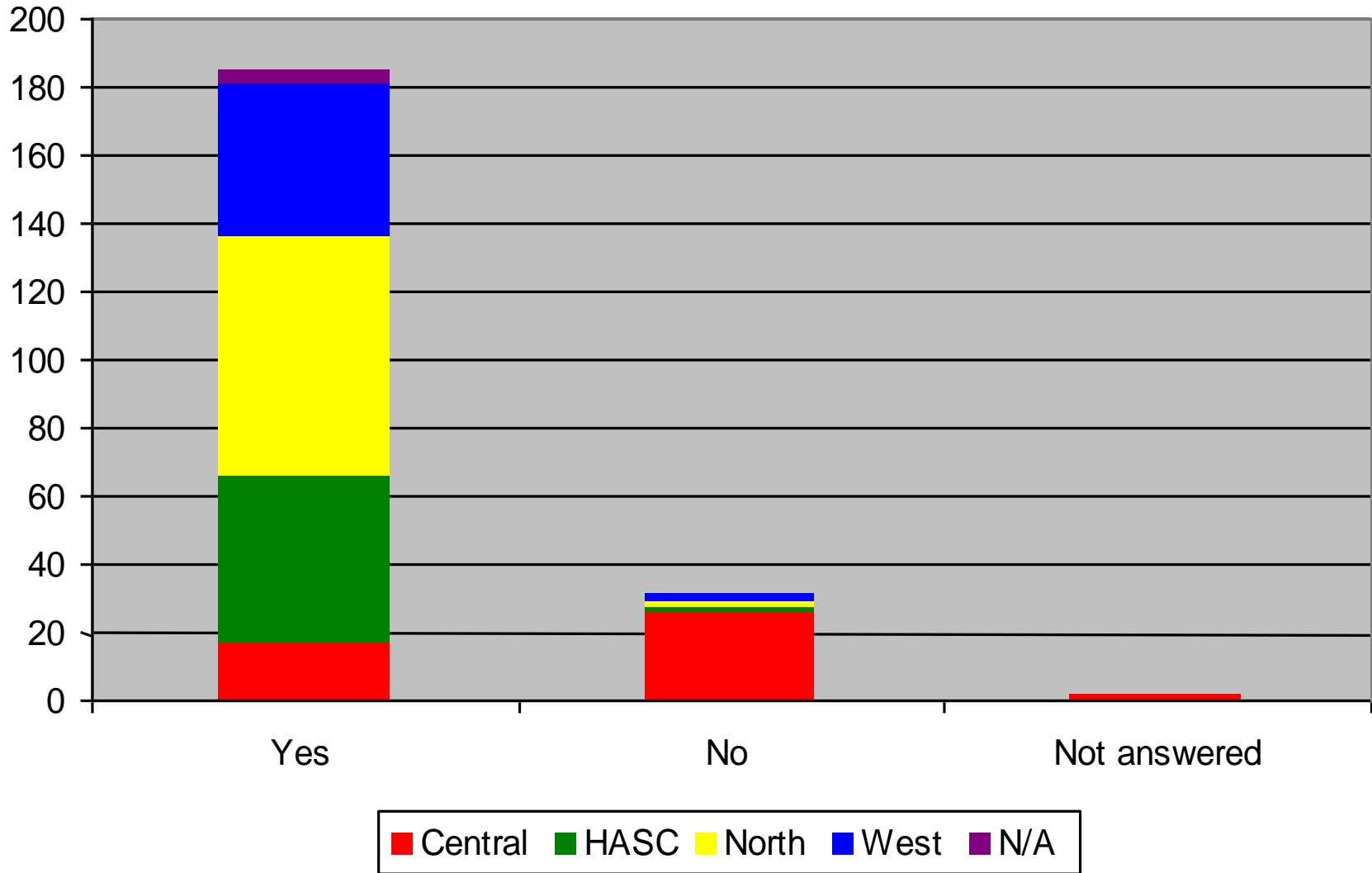
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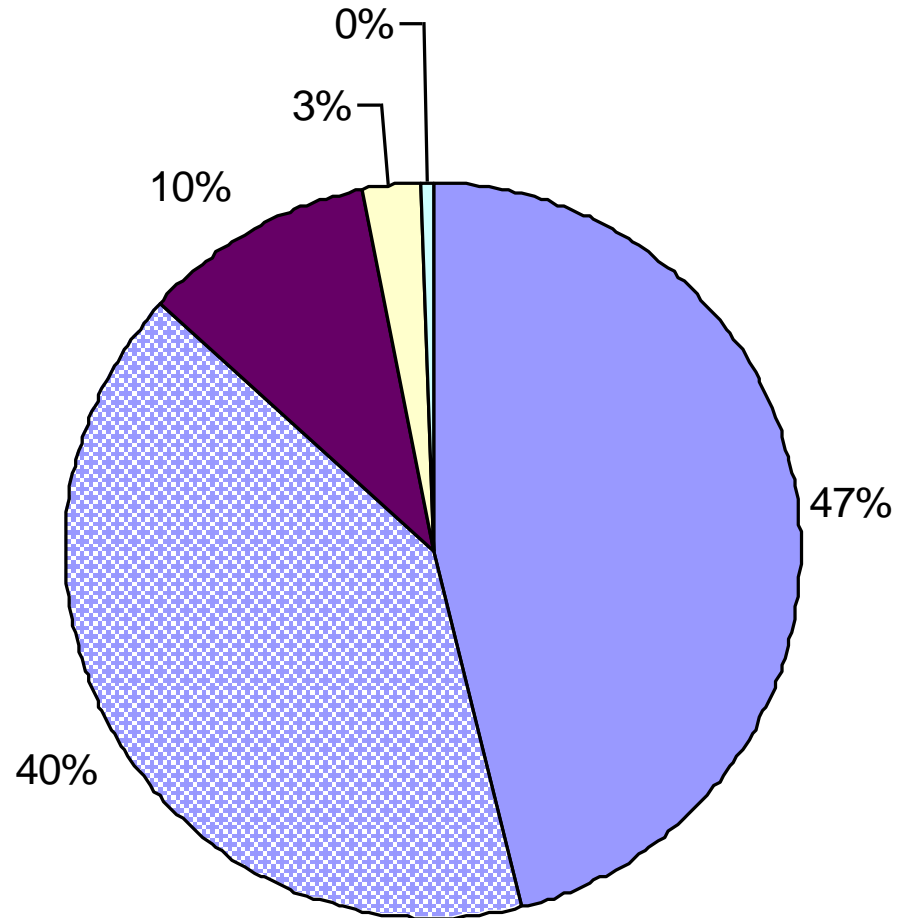
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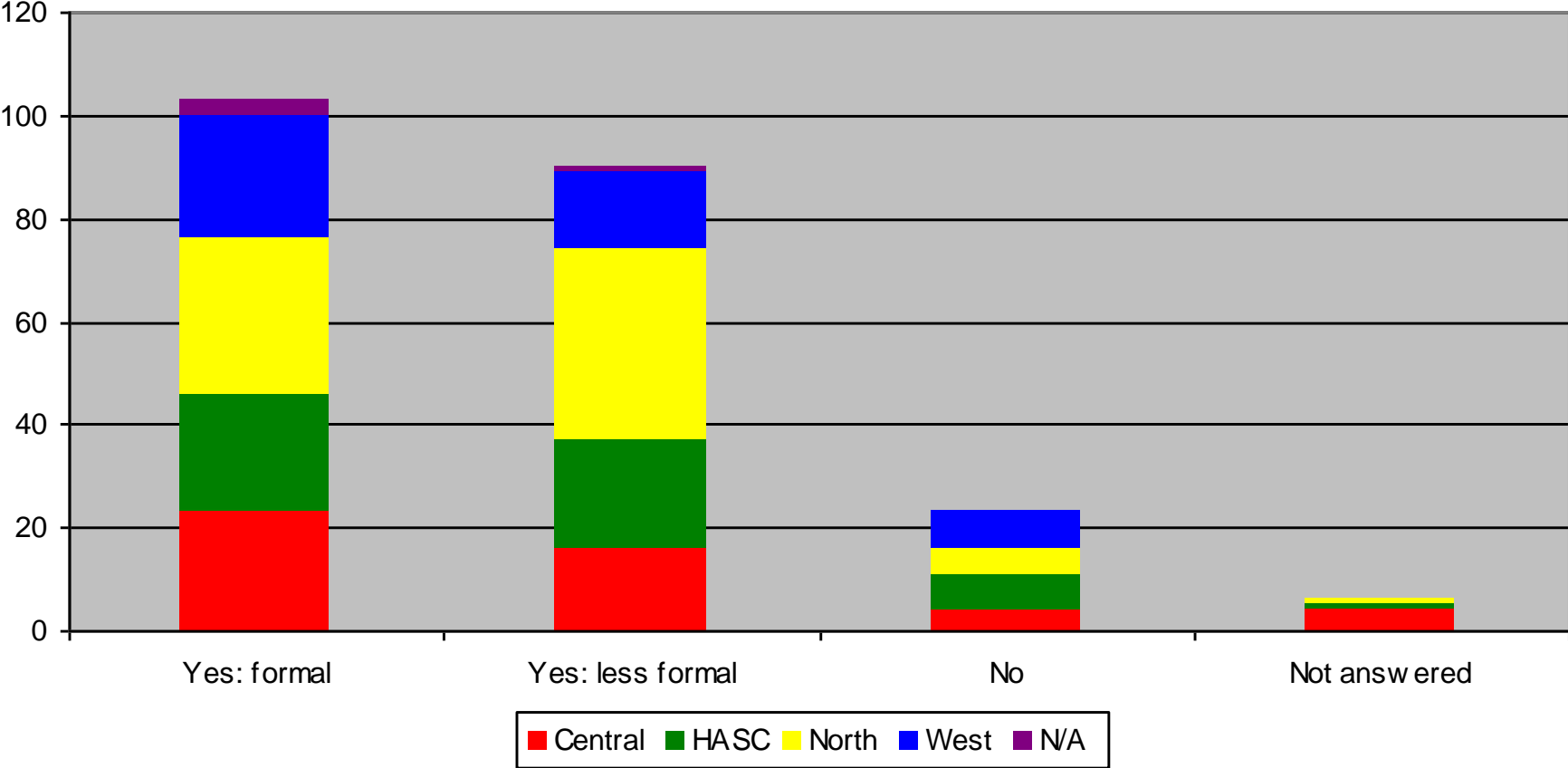
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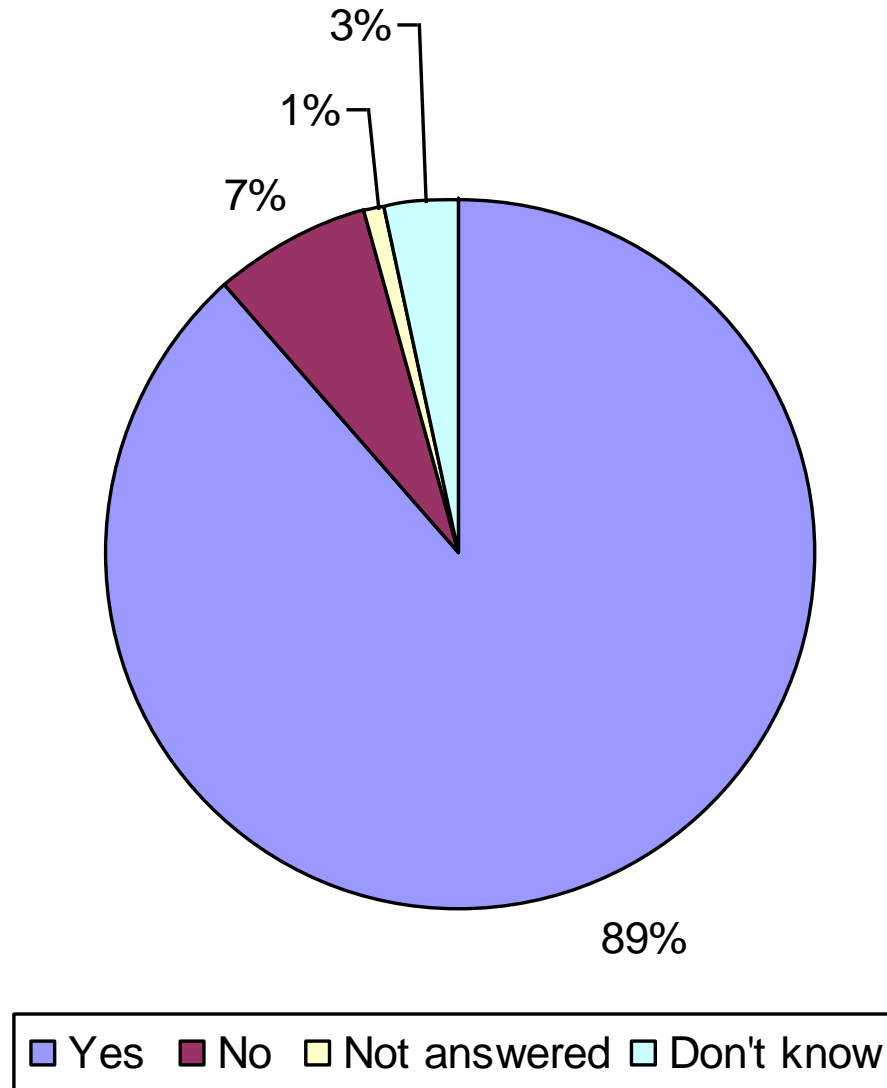
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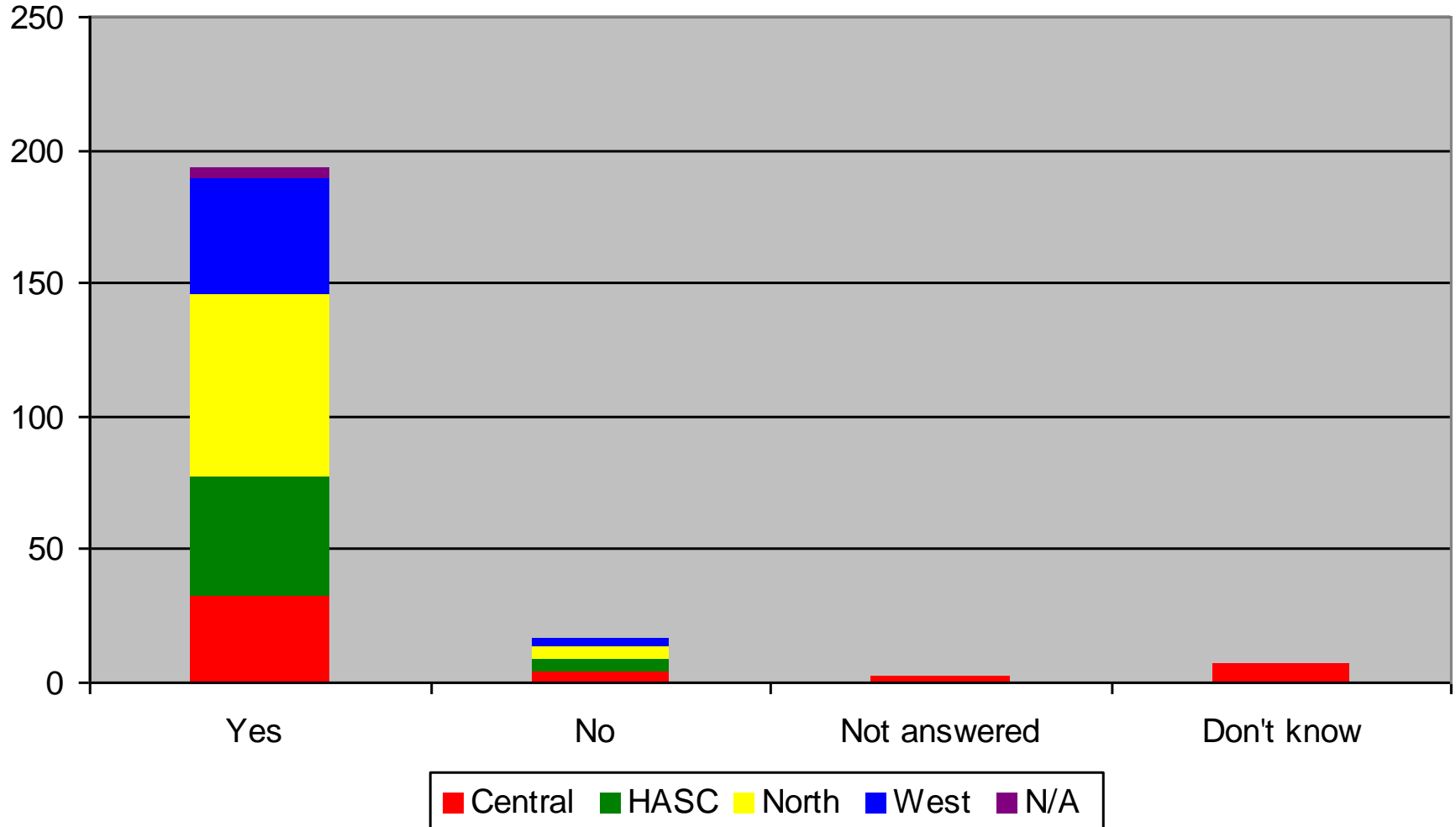
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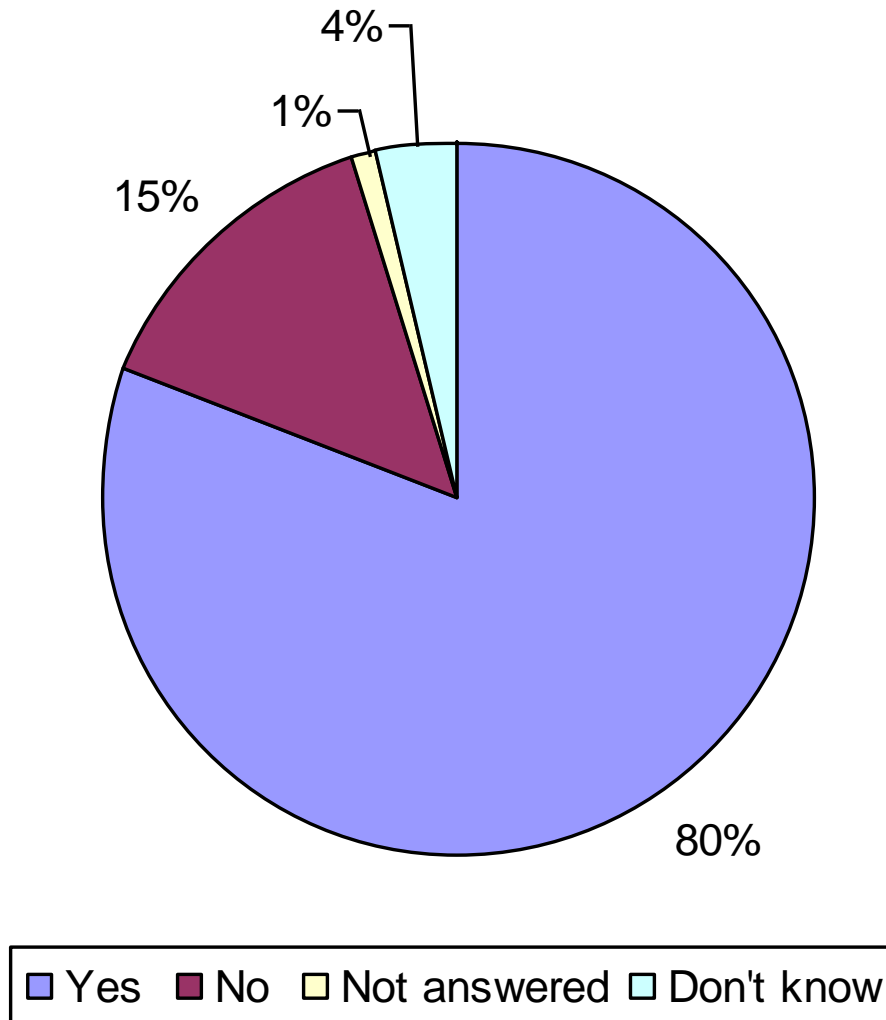
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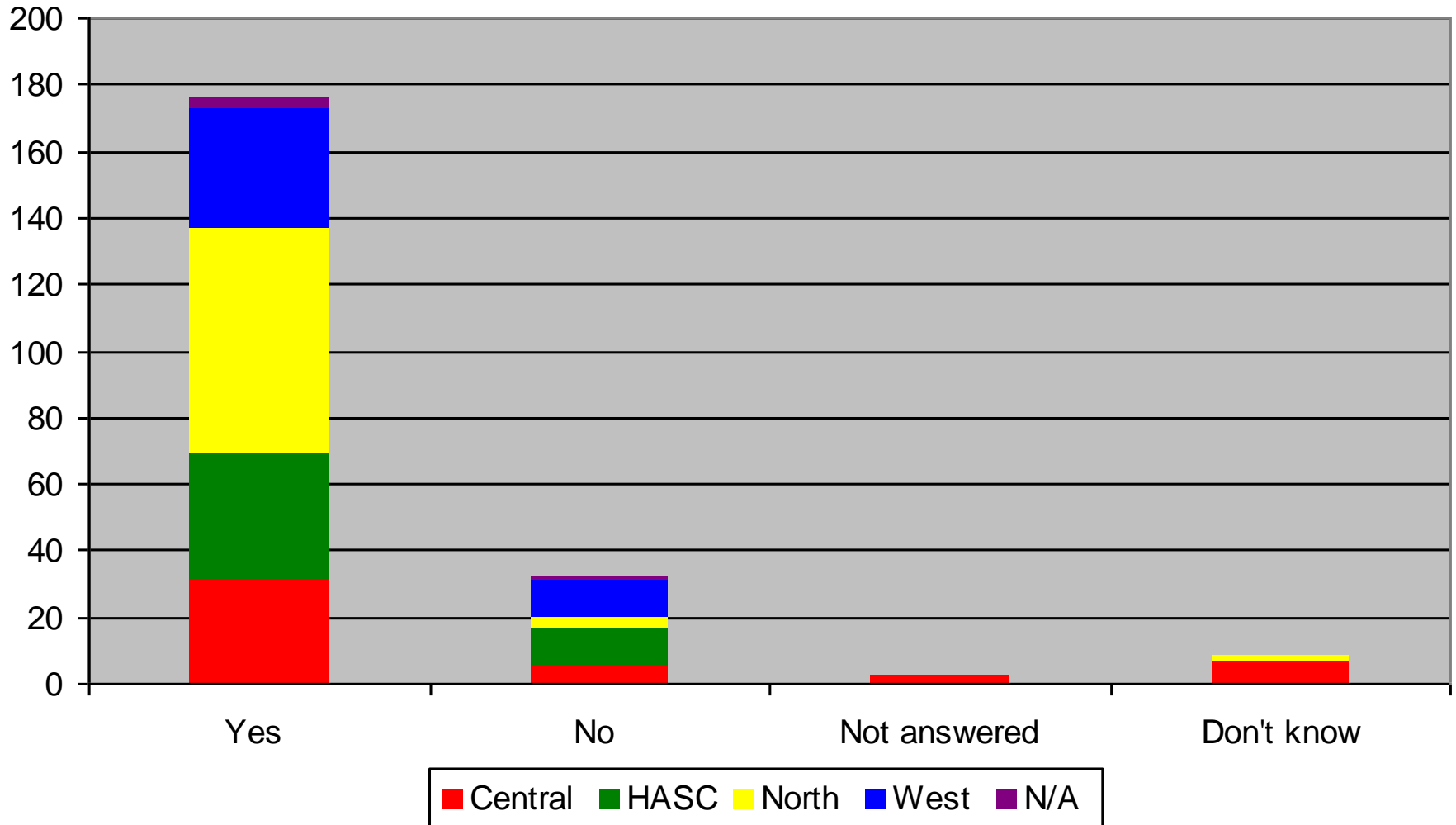
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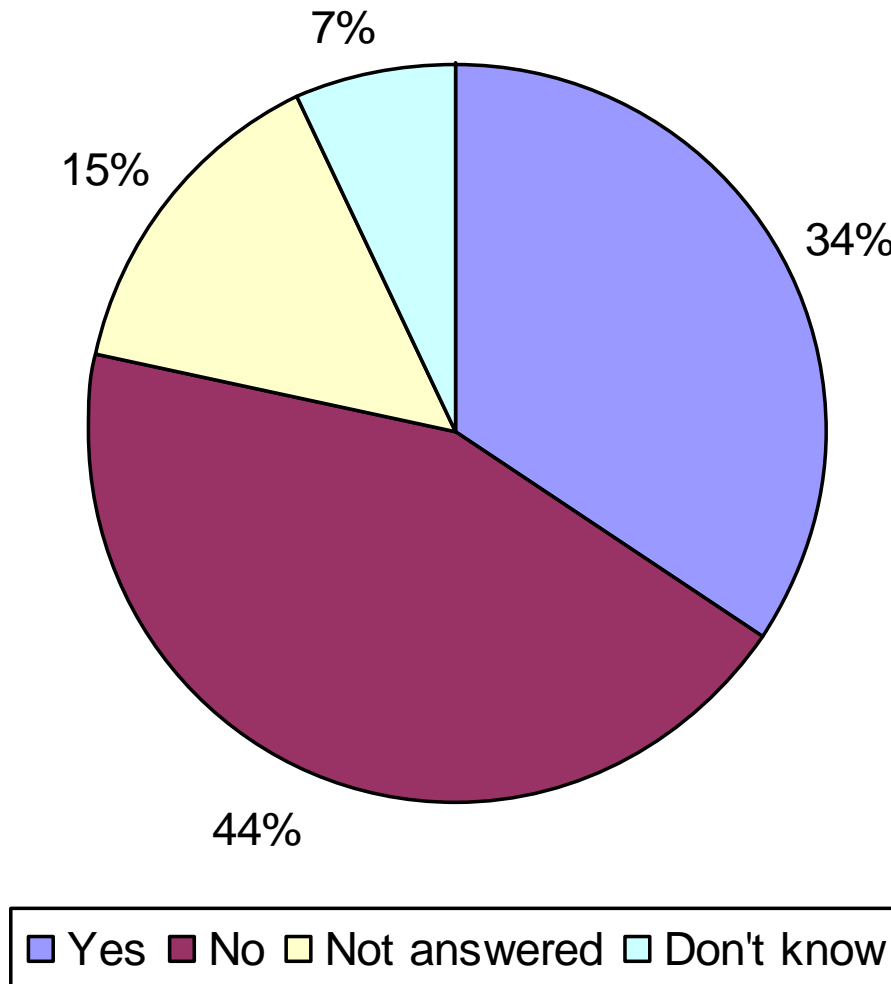
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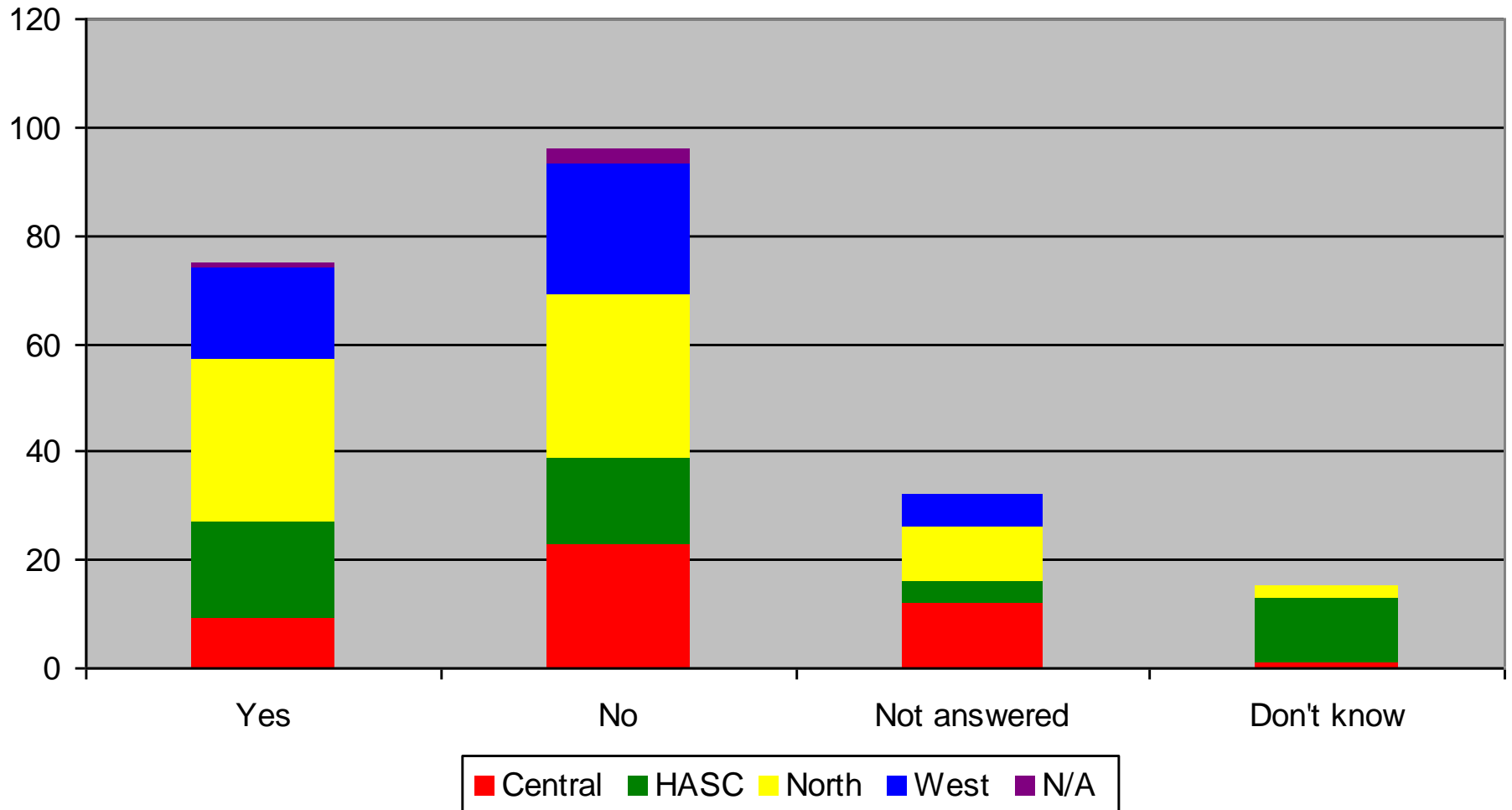
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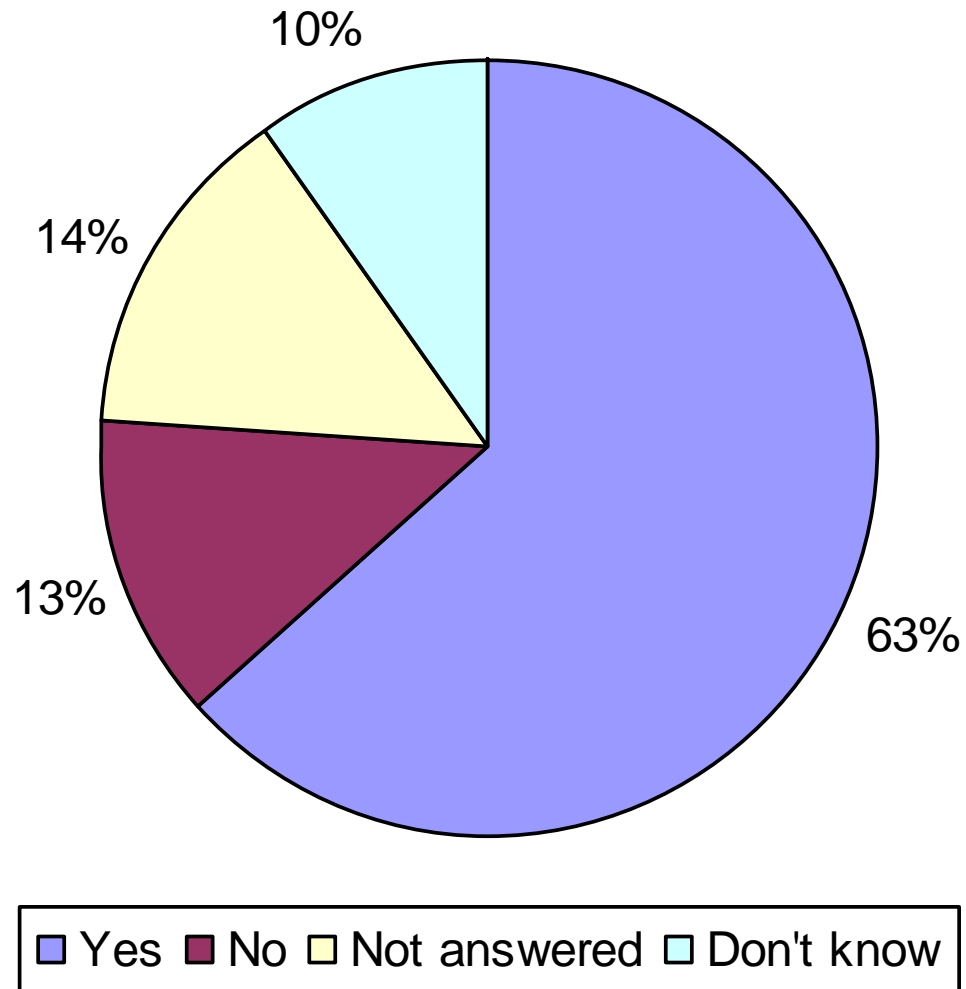
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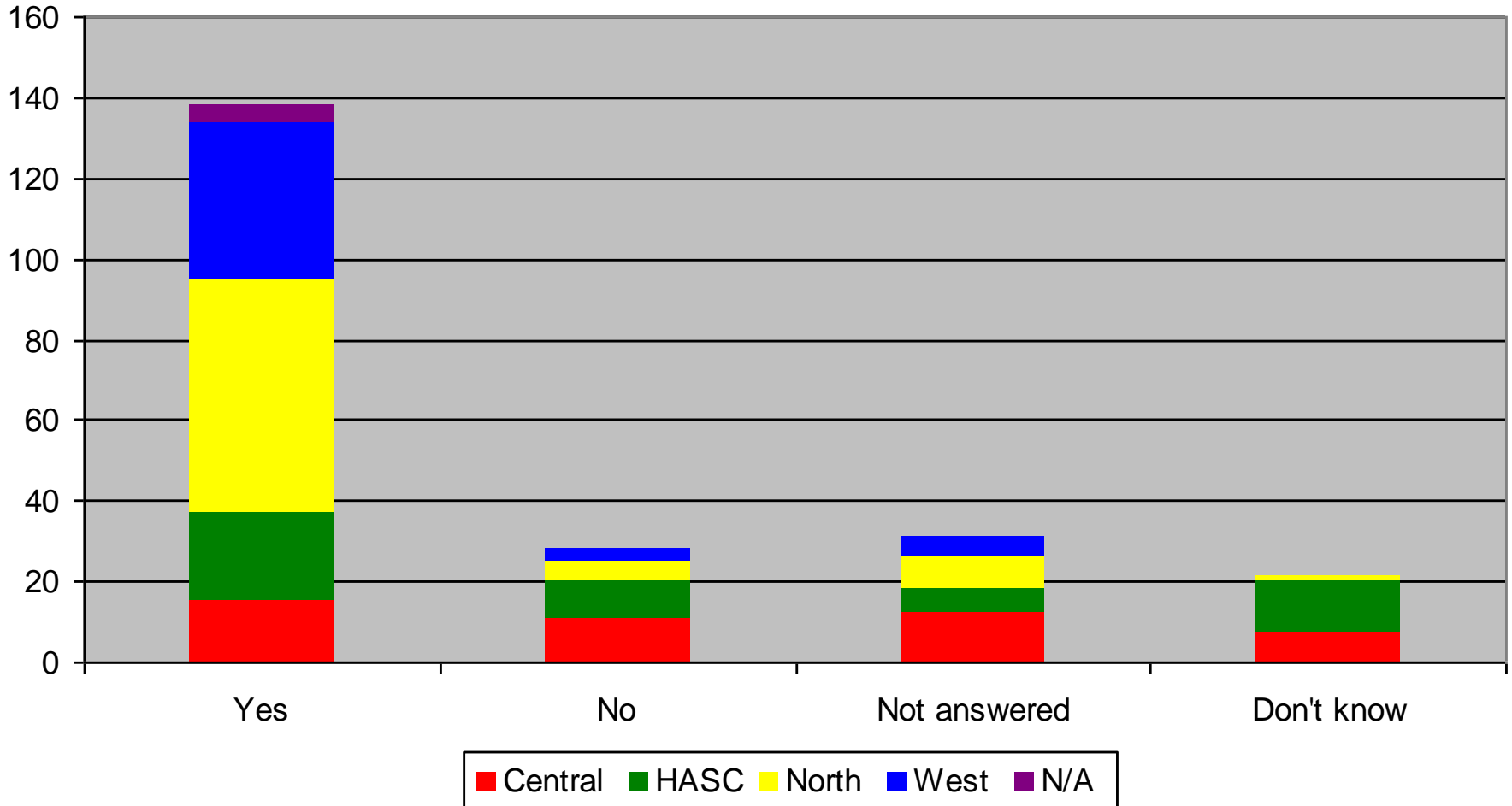
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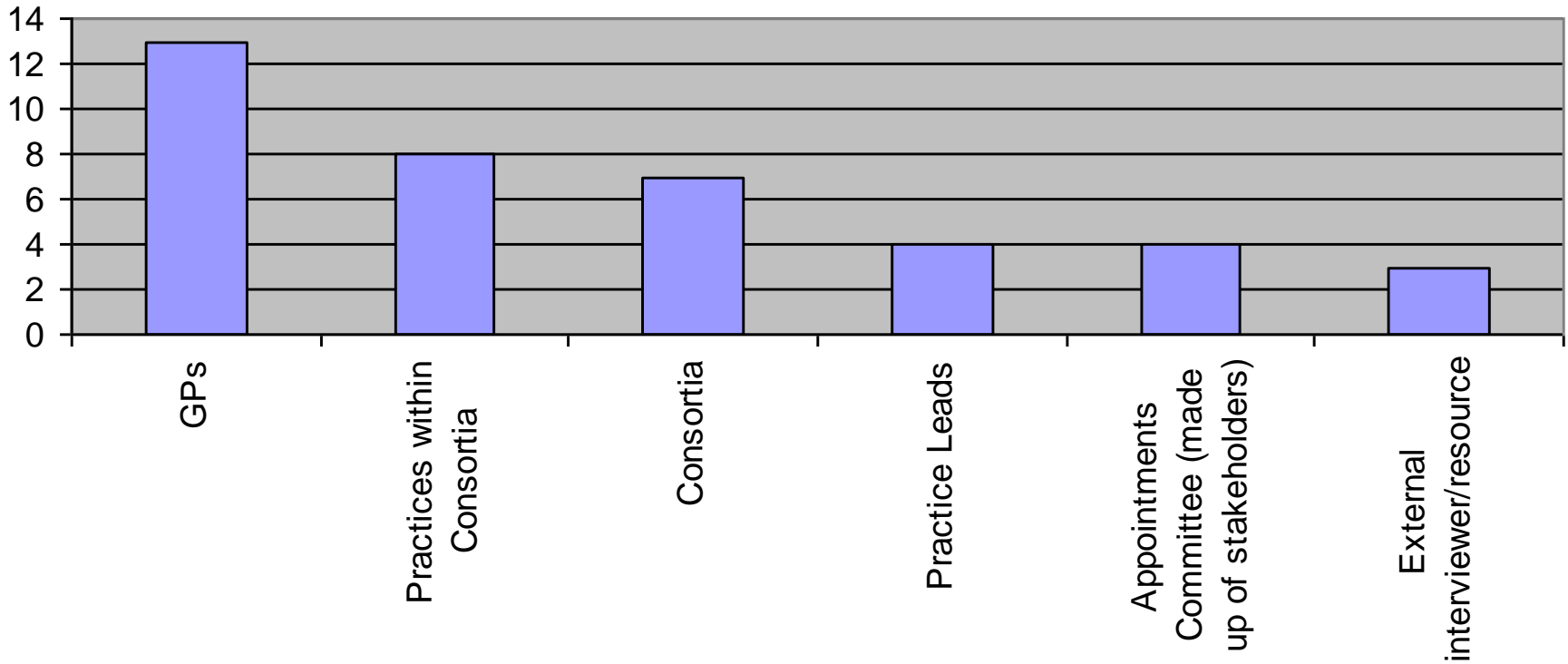
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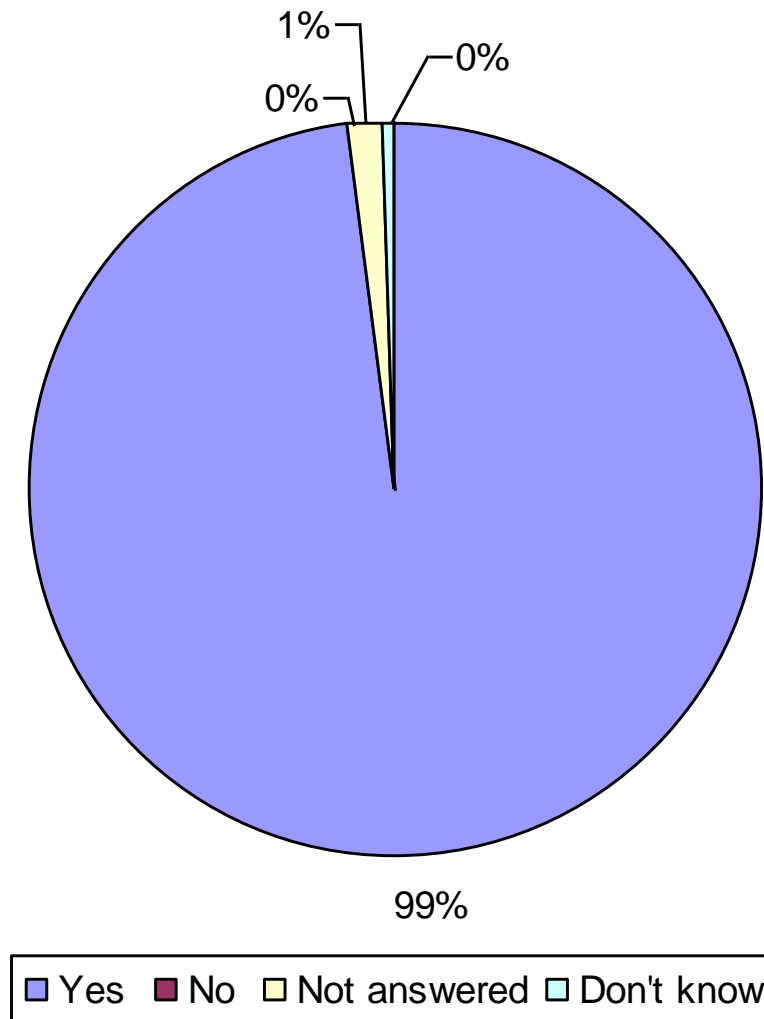


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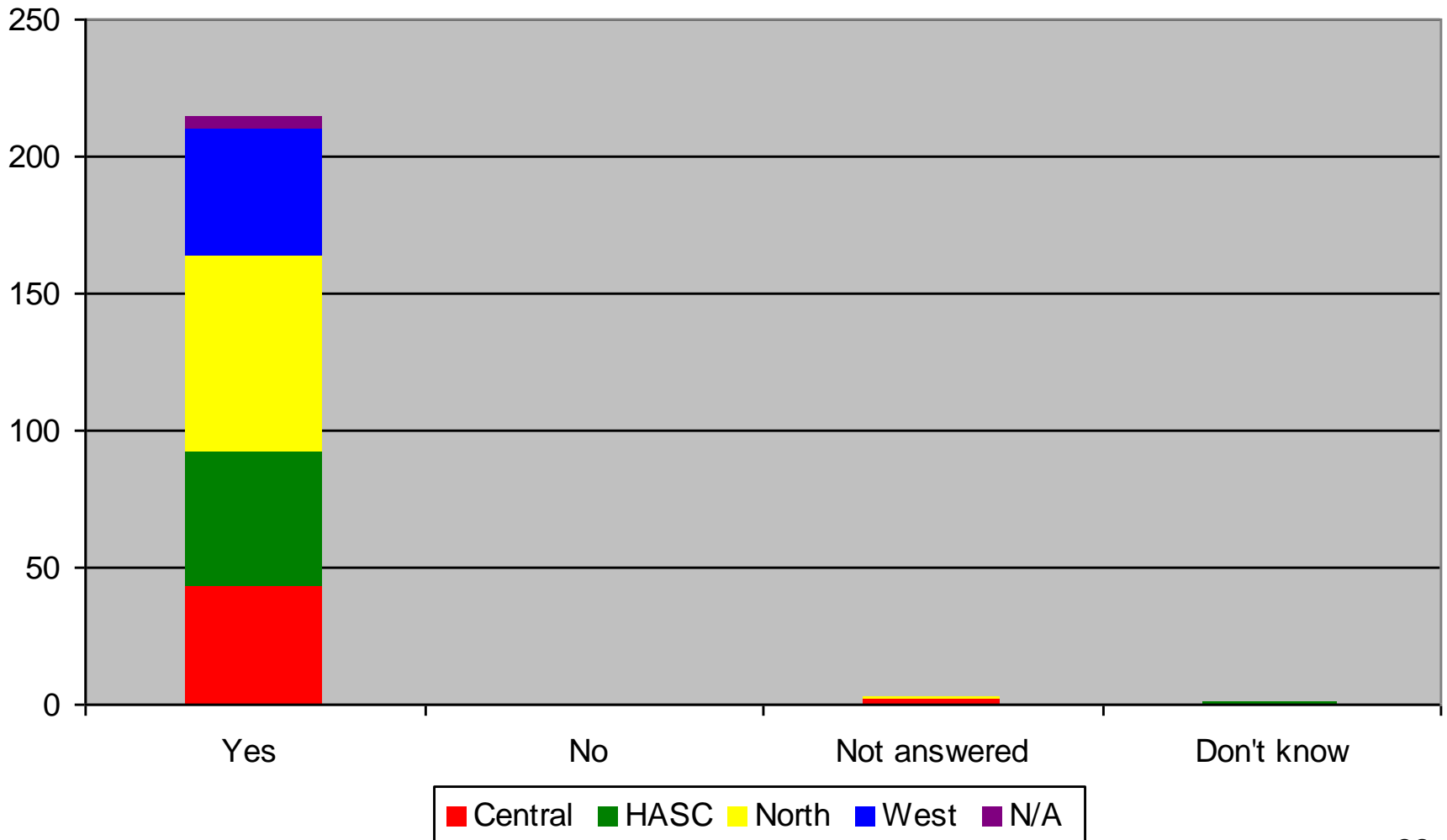
Other suggestions (1 vote received for each):

- Confederation of PBCs
- National Commissioning Body
- Other clinicians
- Patient representatives
- Practice Managers
- RCGP representatives
- BMA
- Objective neutral party

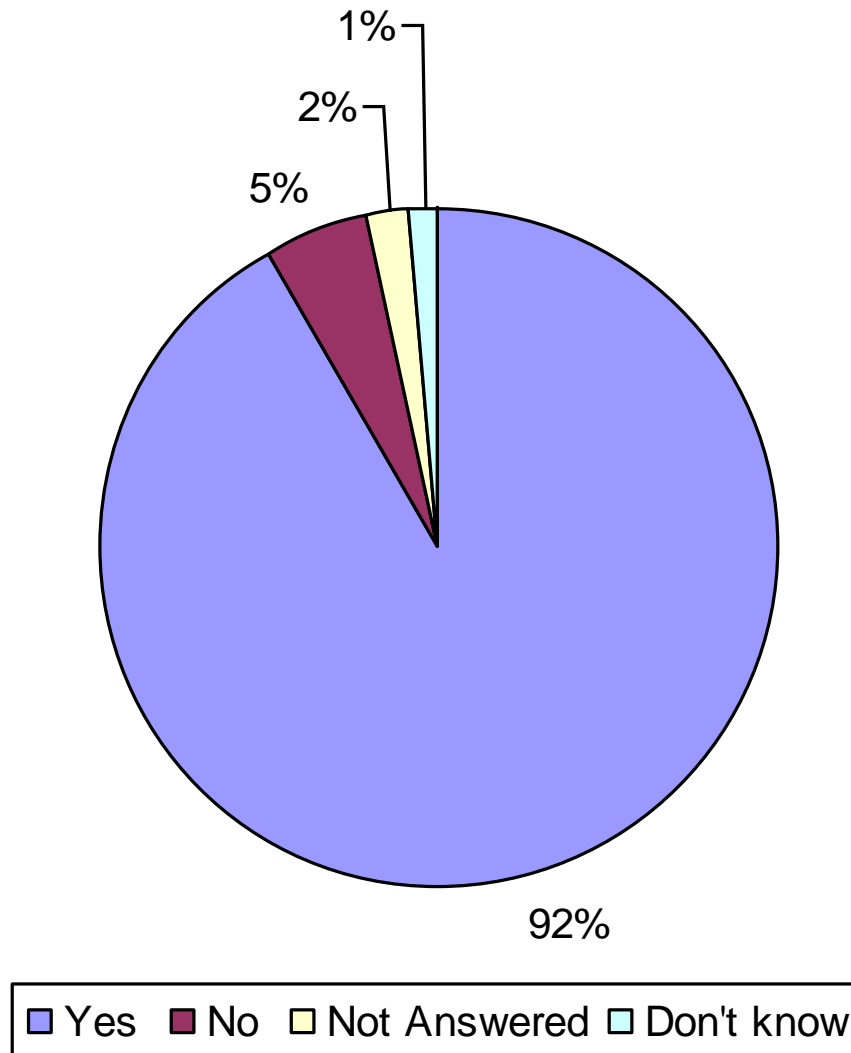
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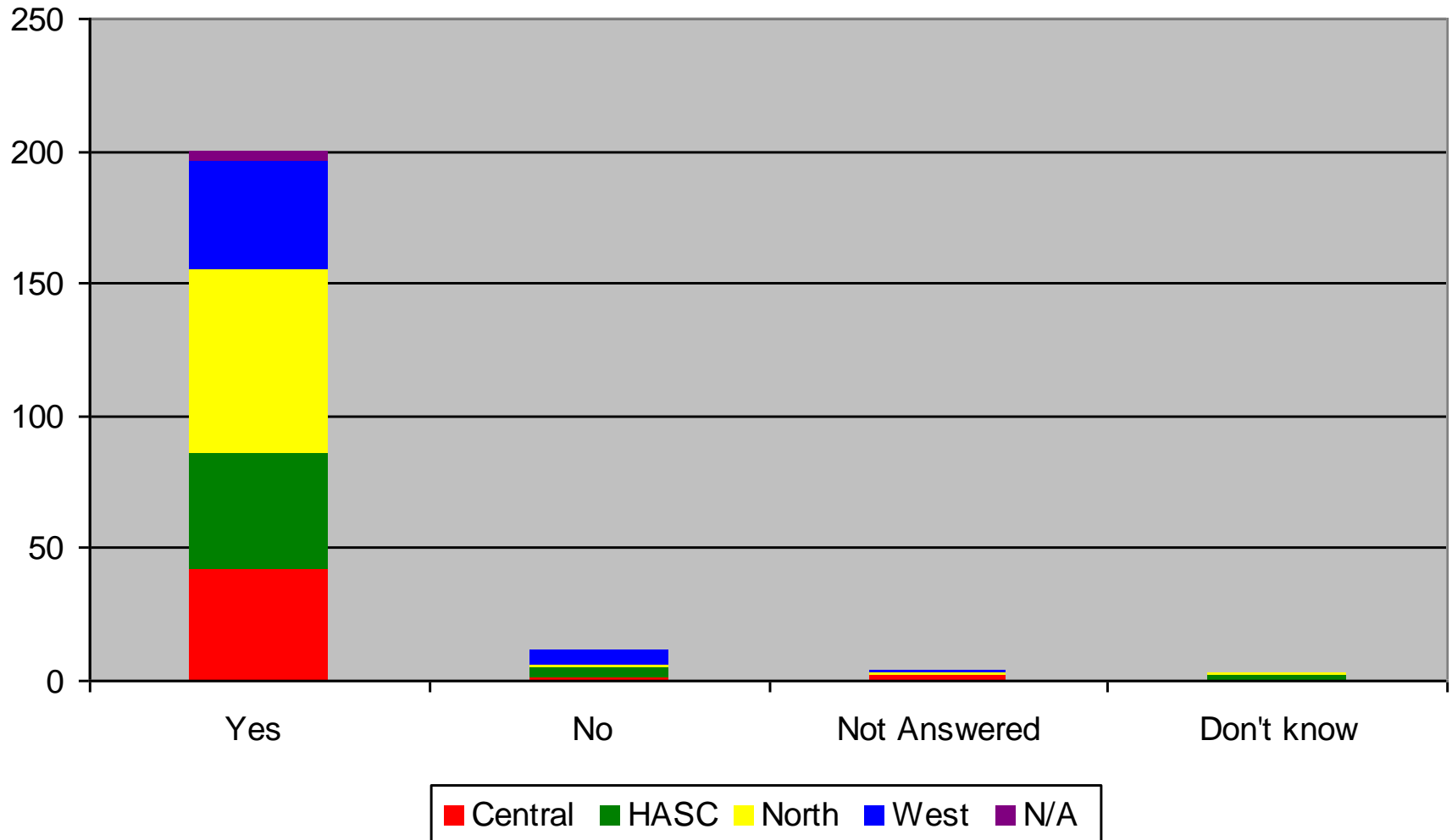
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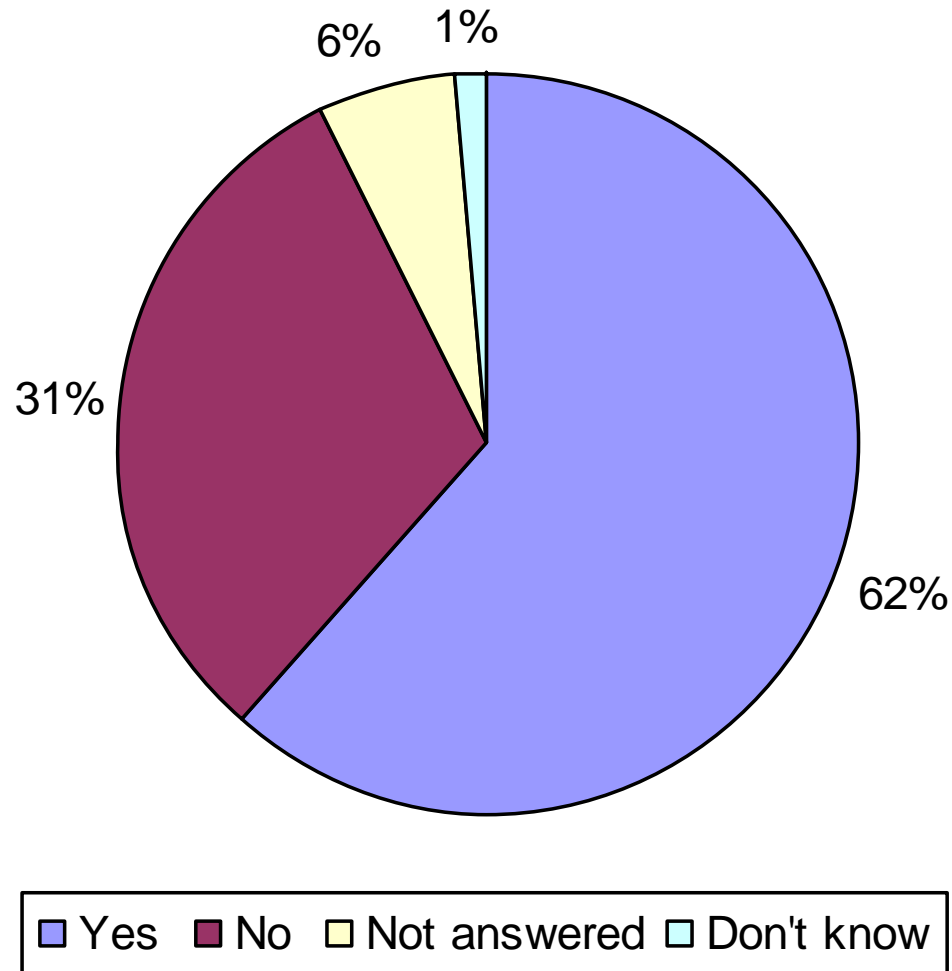
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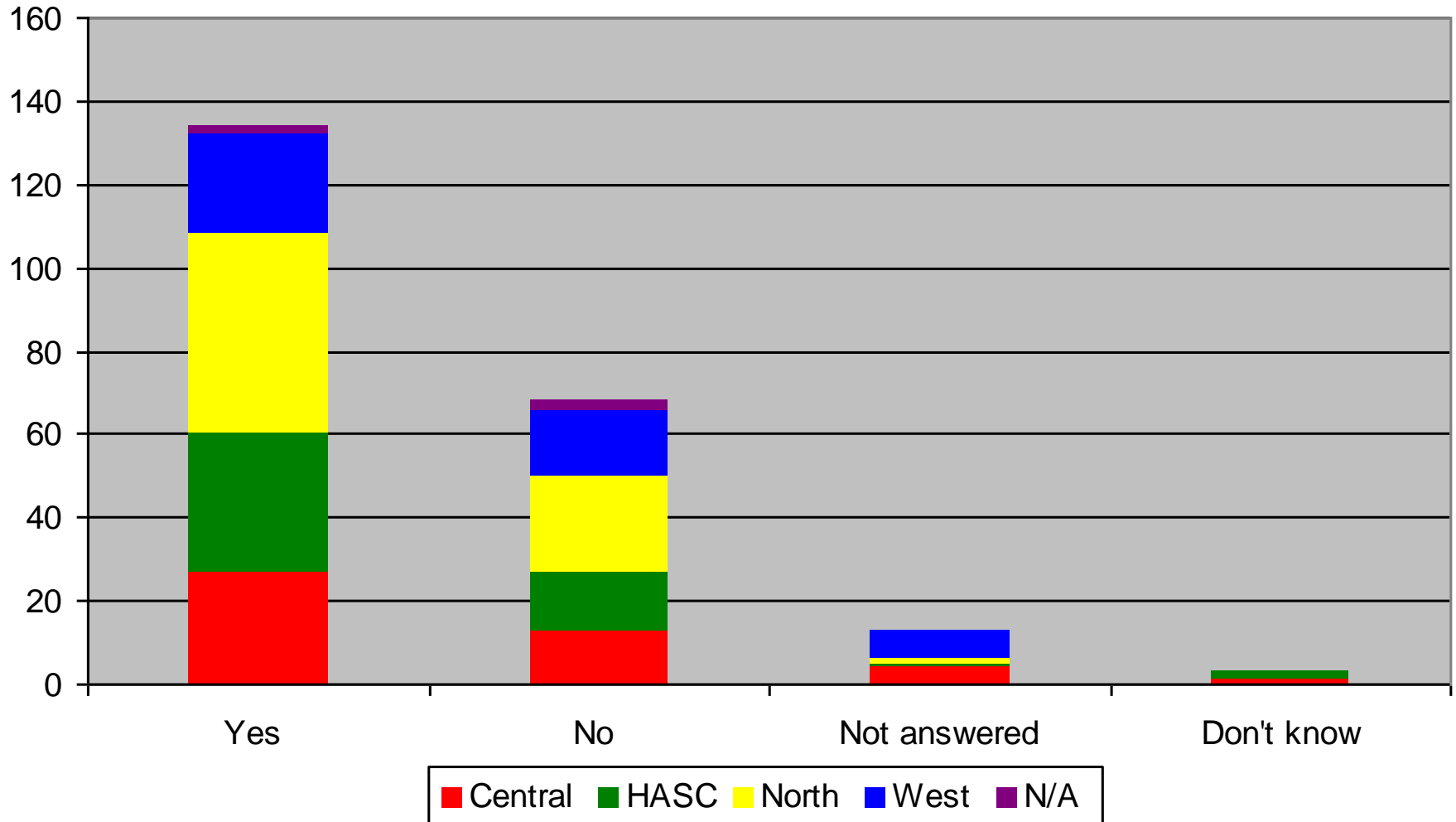
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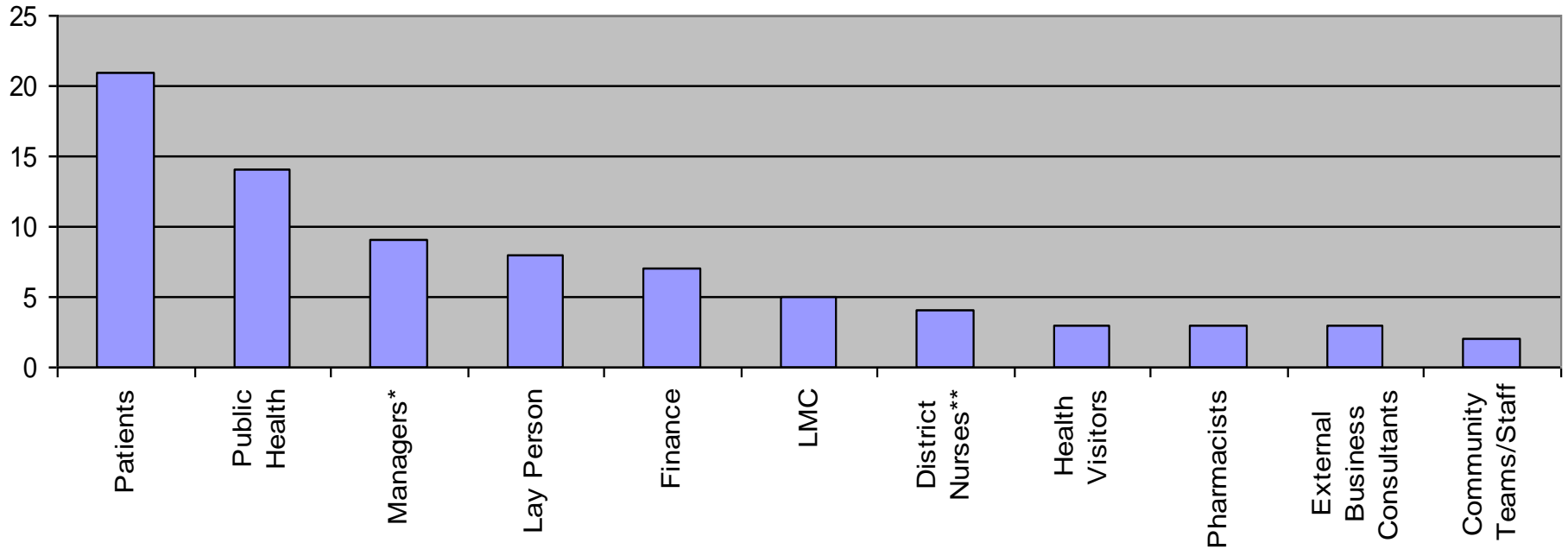
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* suggestions included senior, professional, commissioning group, current consortium, strategy and employed business managers.

** or other Social Services interface

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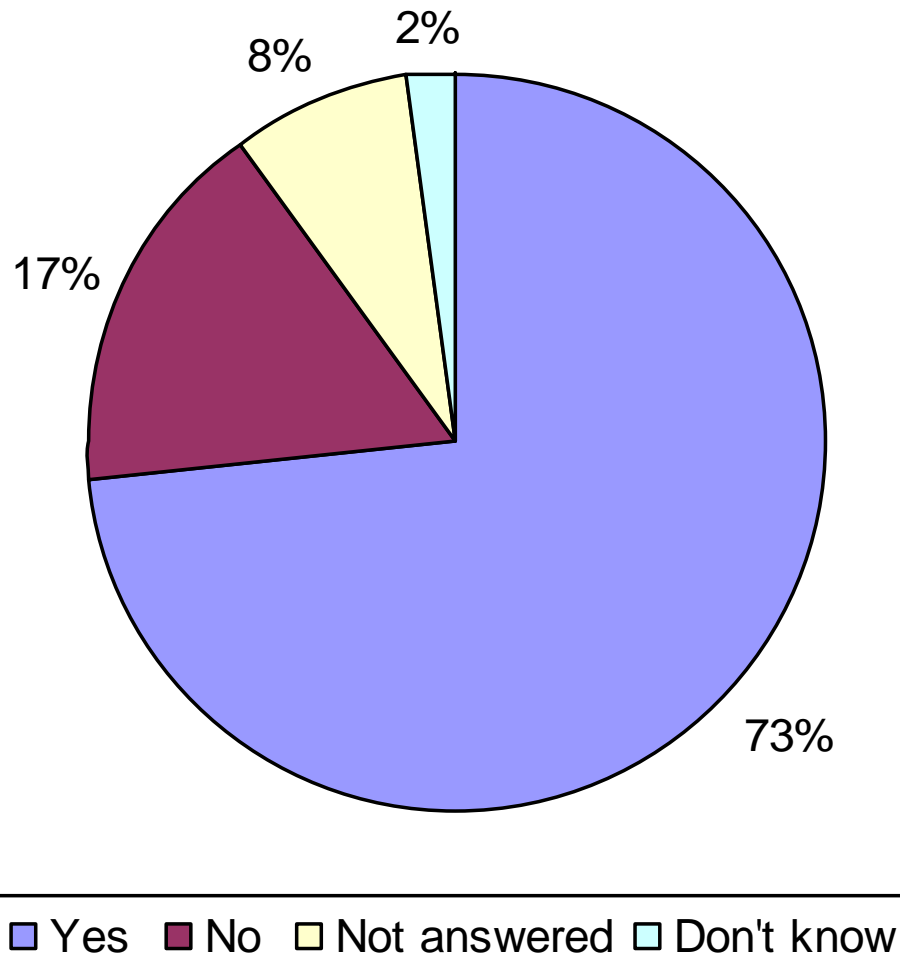
- Therapy services
- Hospital consultants
- Legal consultant
- Local councillors***
- Nurse partners
- PCT staff (previous)
- Receptionists
- Non-exec
- Other clinical workers
- Midwives

*** also received comment stating NOT Local councillors

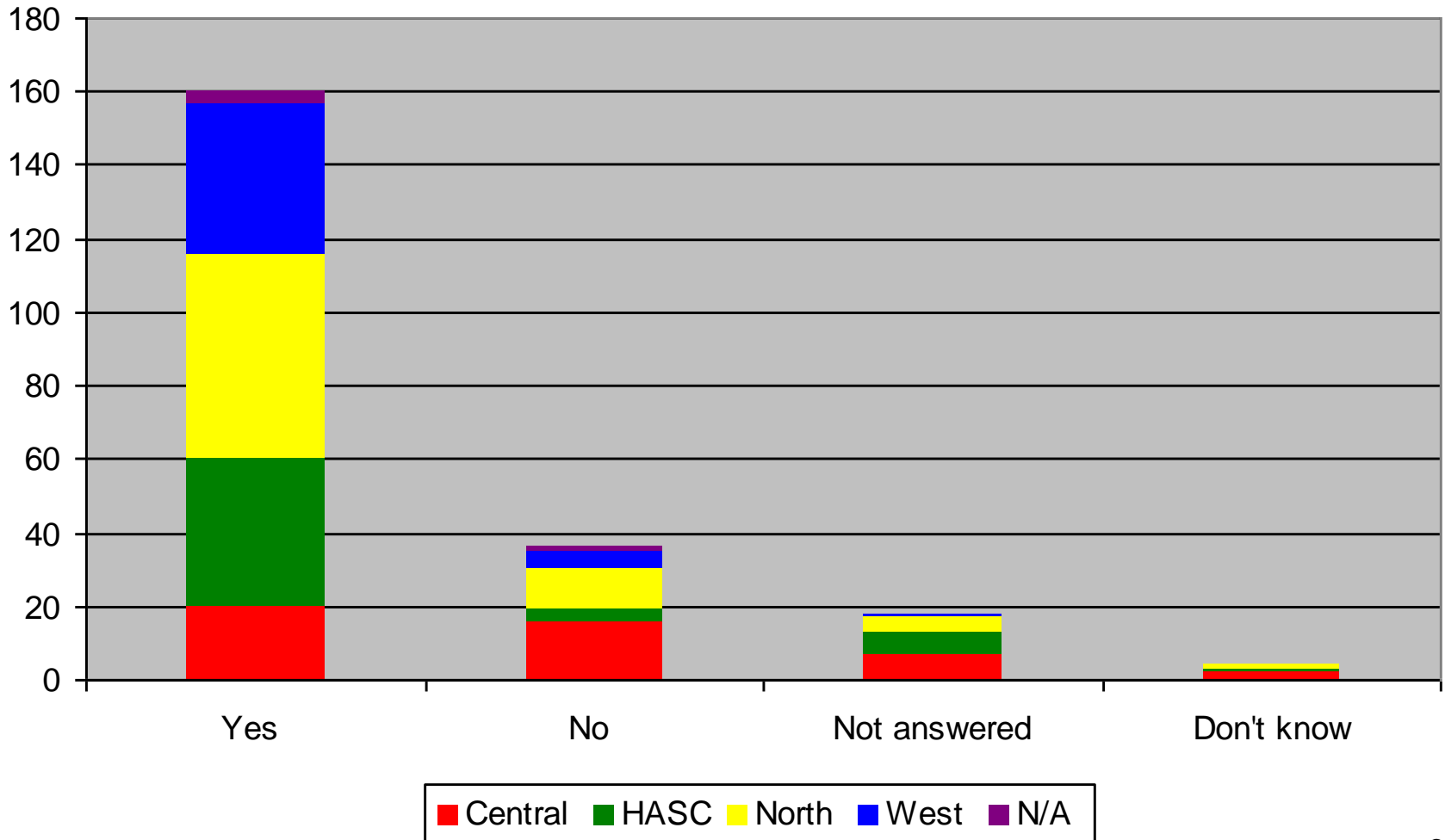
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- Due to the nature of this question, responses received came in the form of percentages, ratios, numbers etc. Therefore it is not possible to publish the responses in a consistent format.
- However, there is a clear steer that GPs should form the majority on the Board, with only a few suggesting an equal mix of GPs, Practice Managers and Practice Nurses.

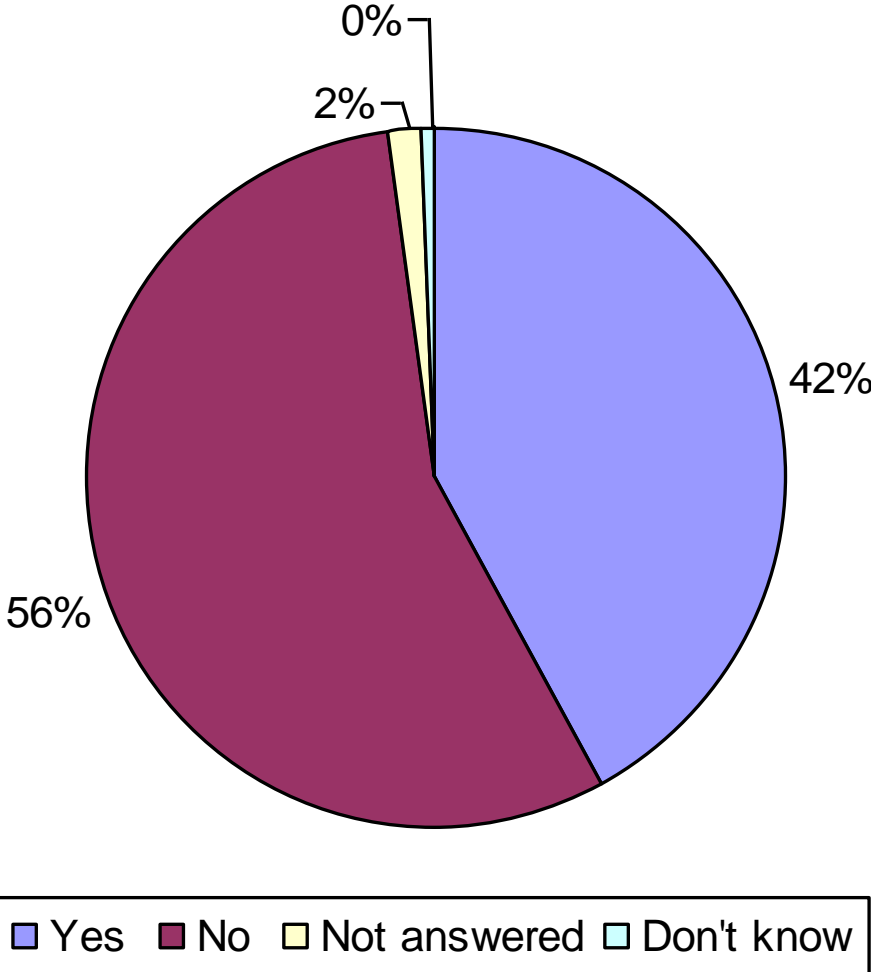
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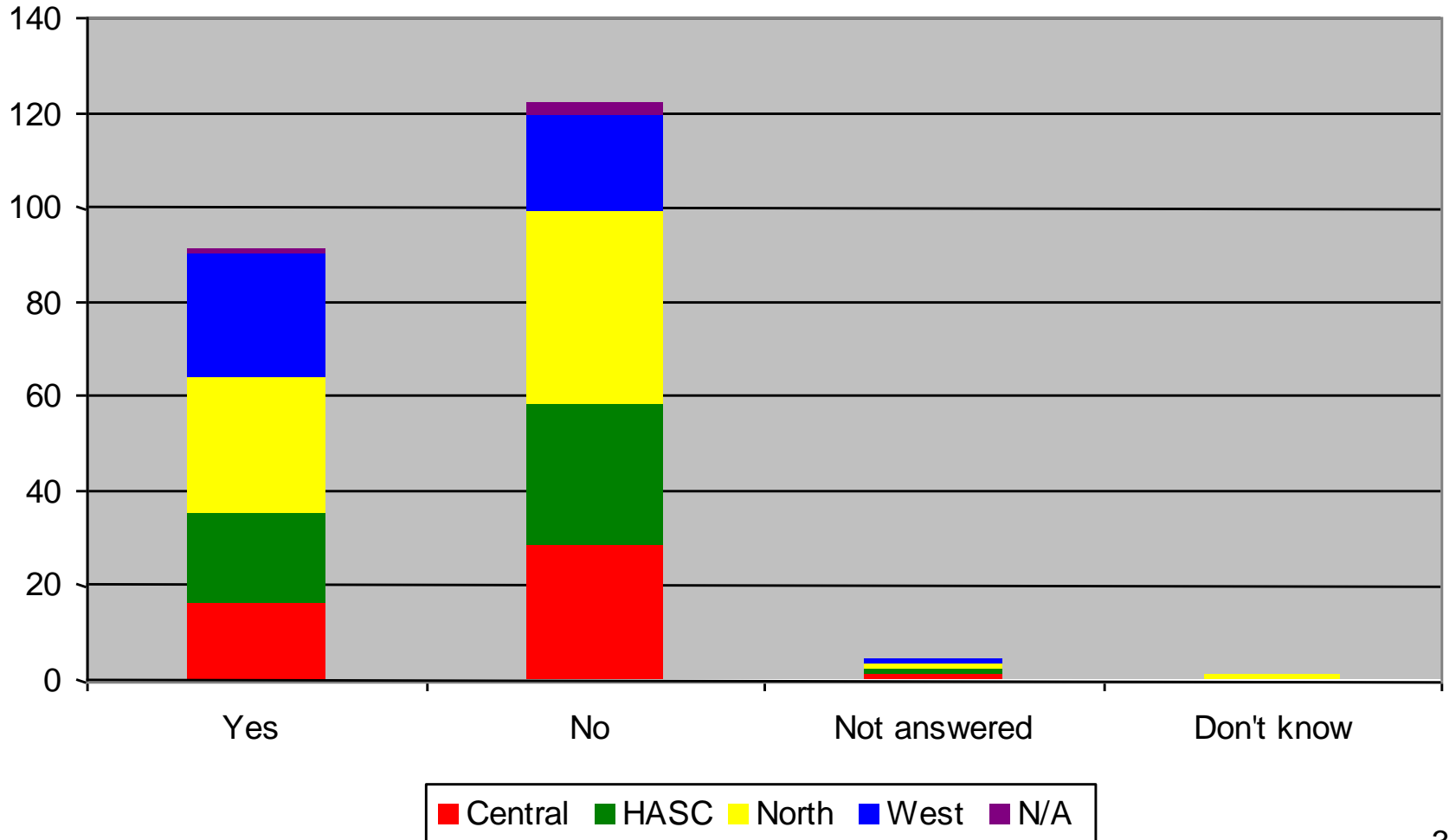
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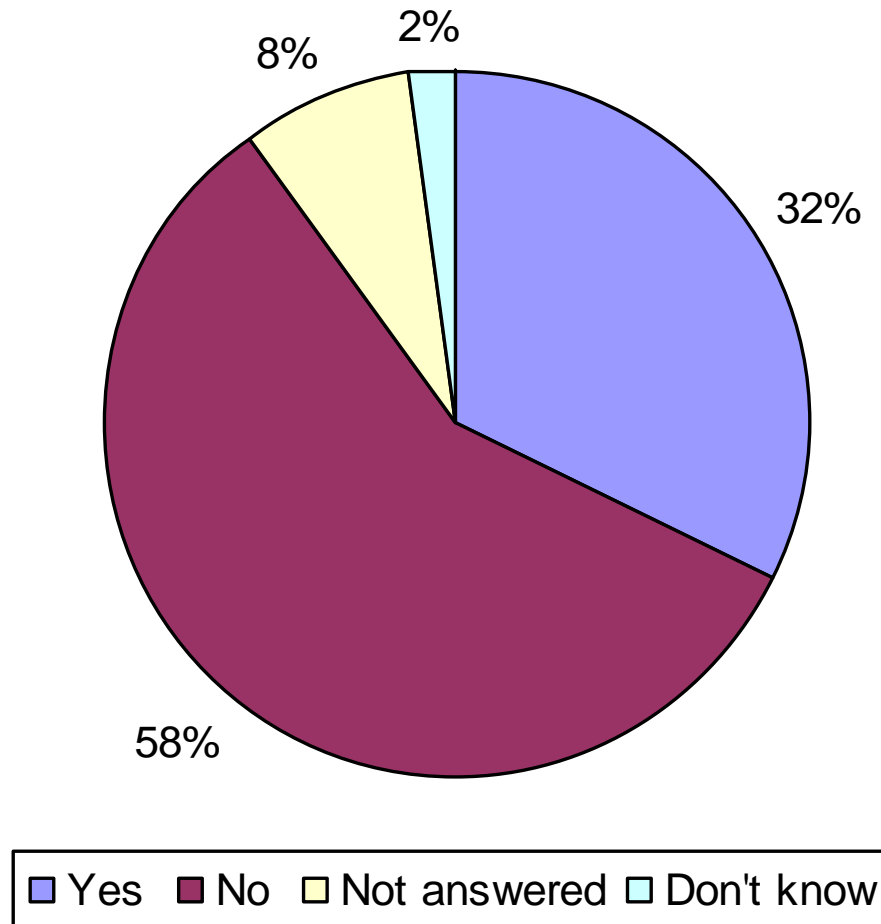
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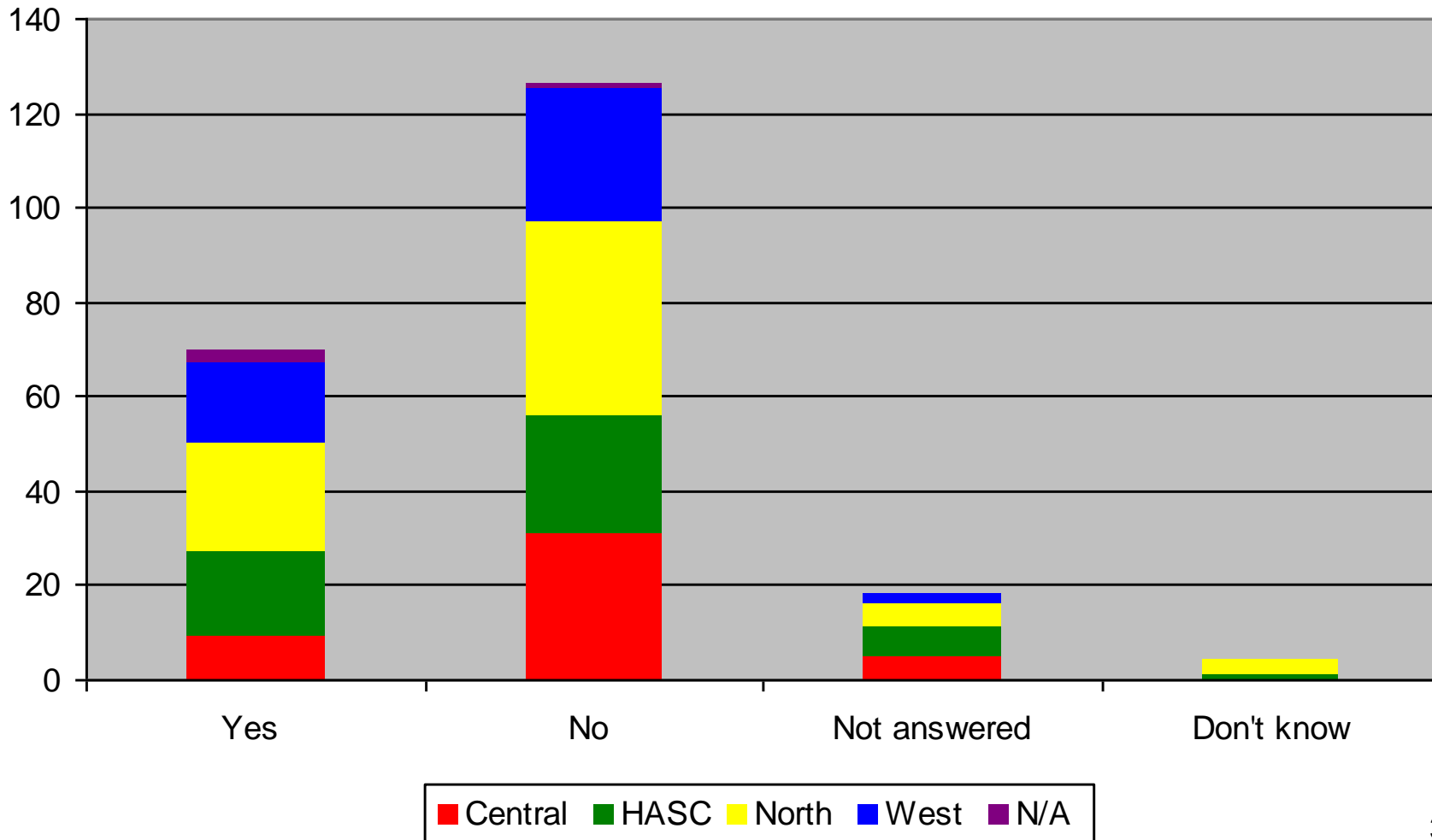
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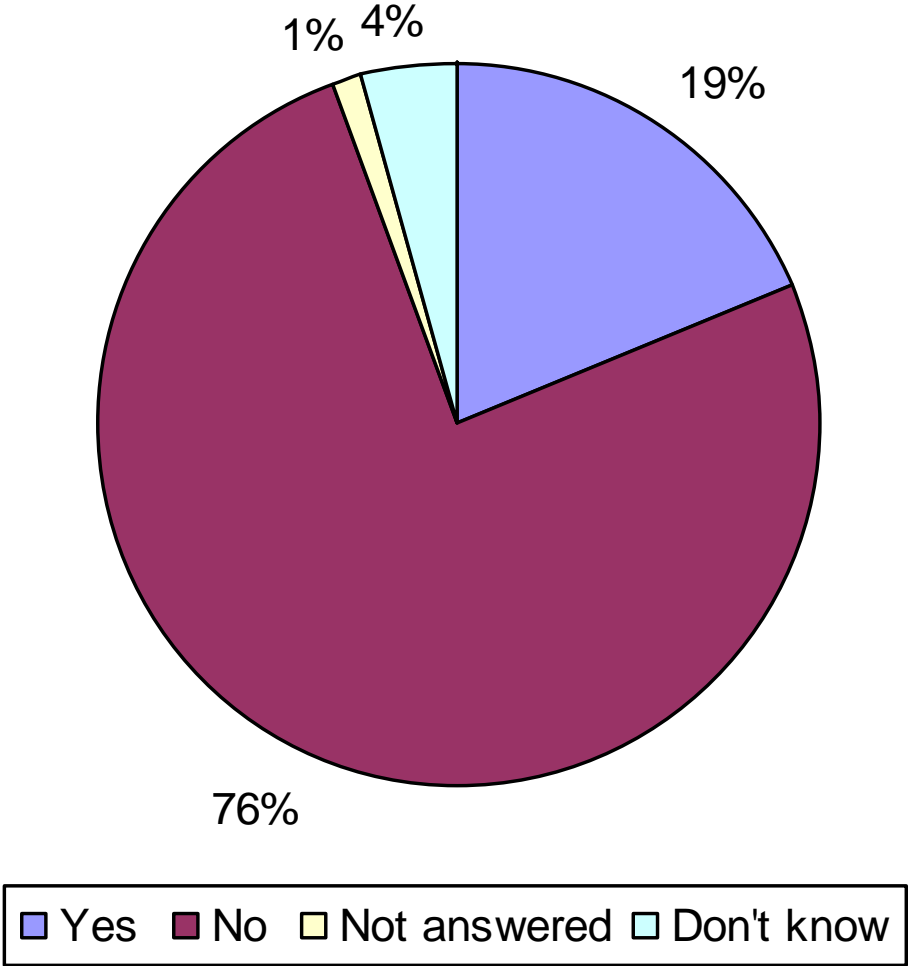
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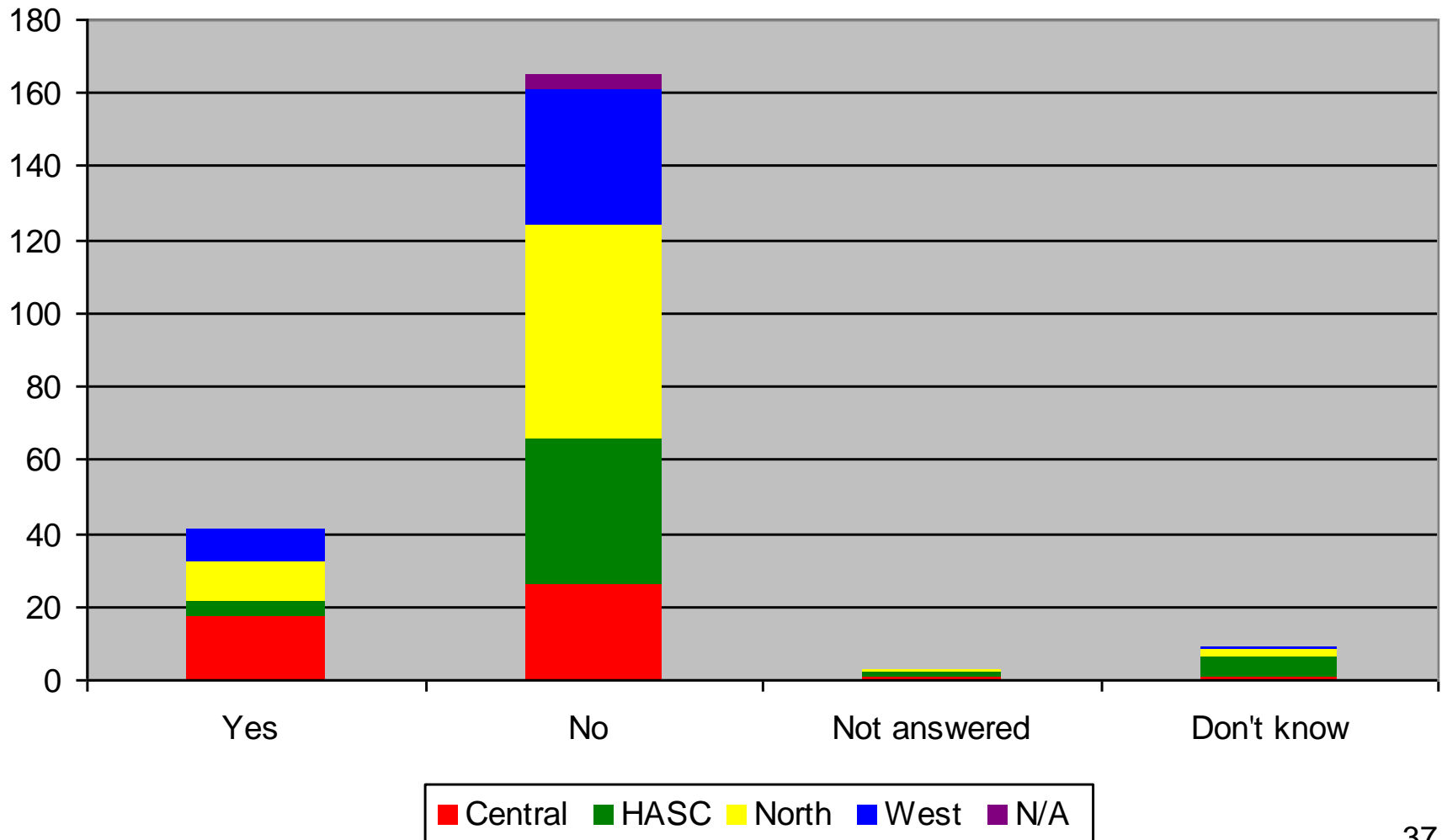
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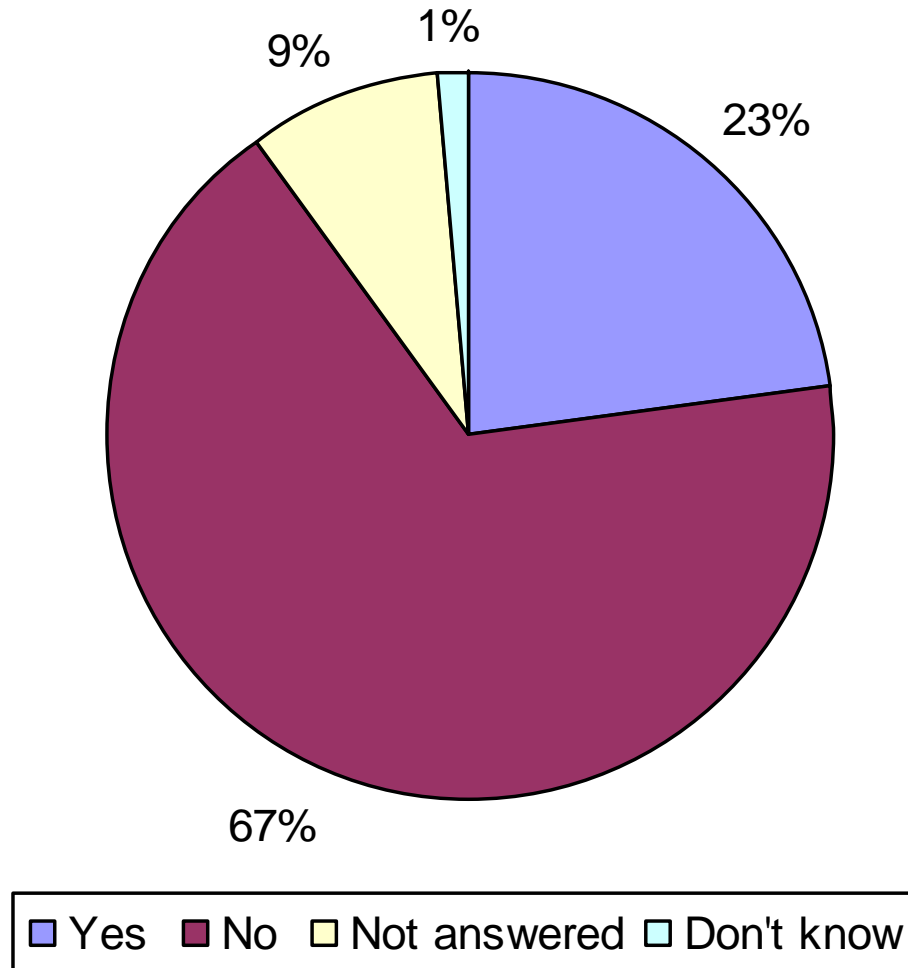
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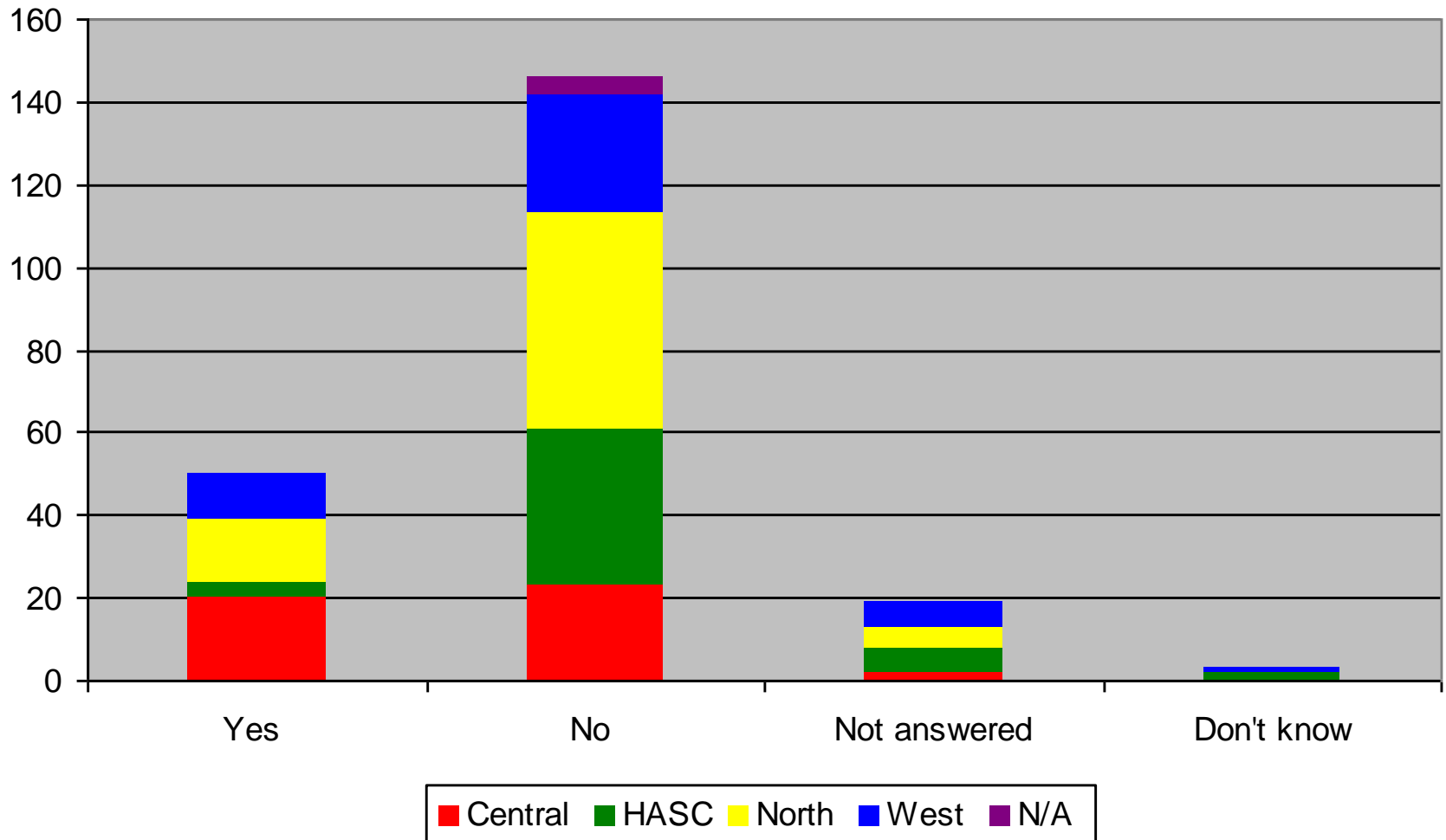
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**Sheffield LMC
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