

GLOBAL SURVEY OF CIRCUMCISION HARM

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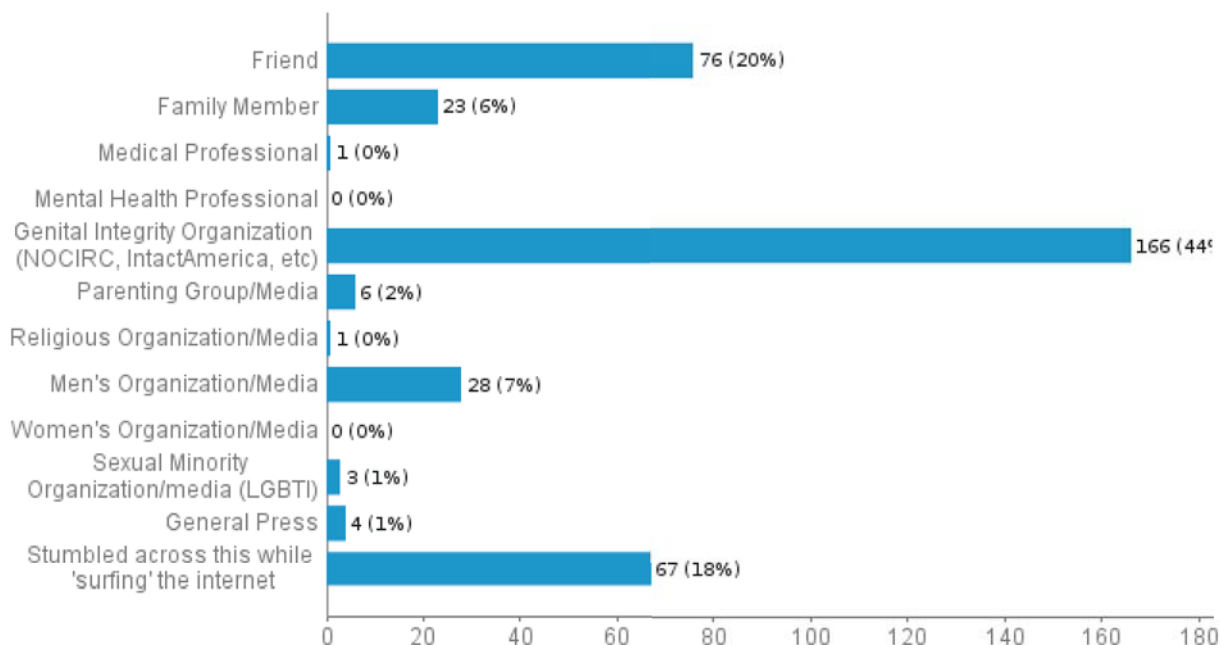
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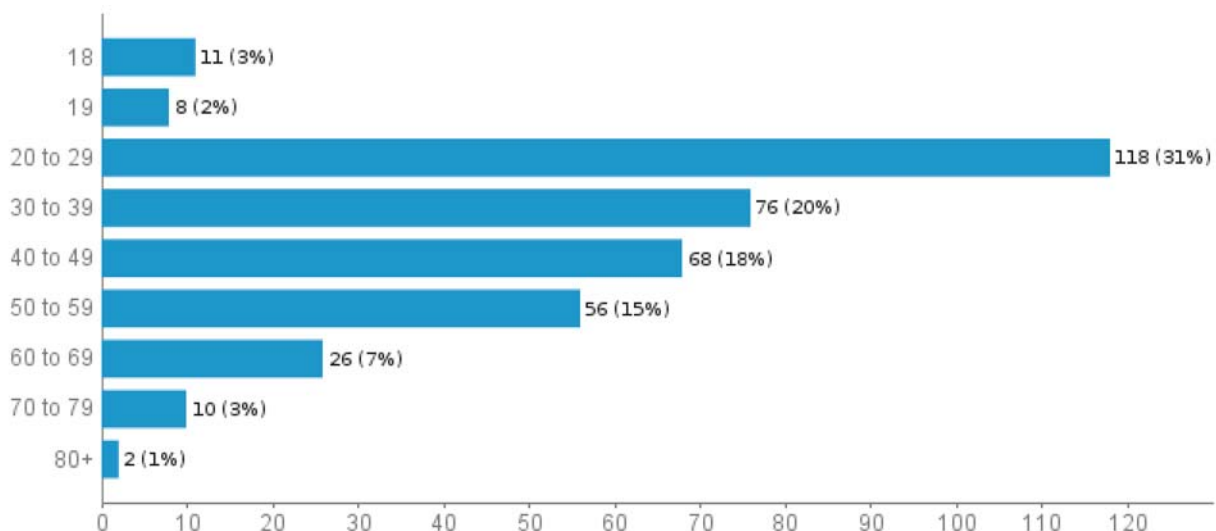
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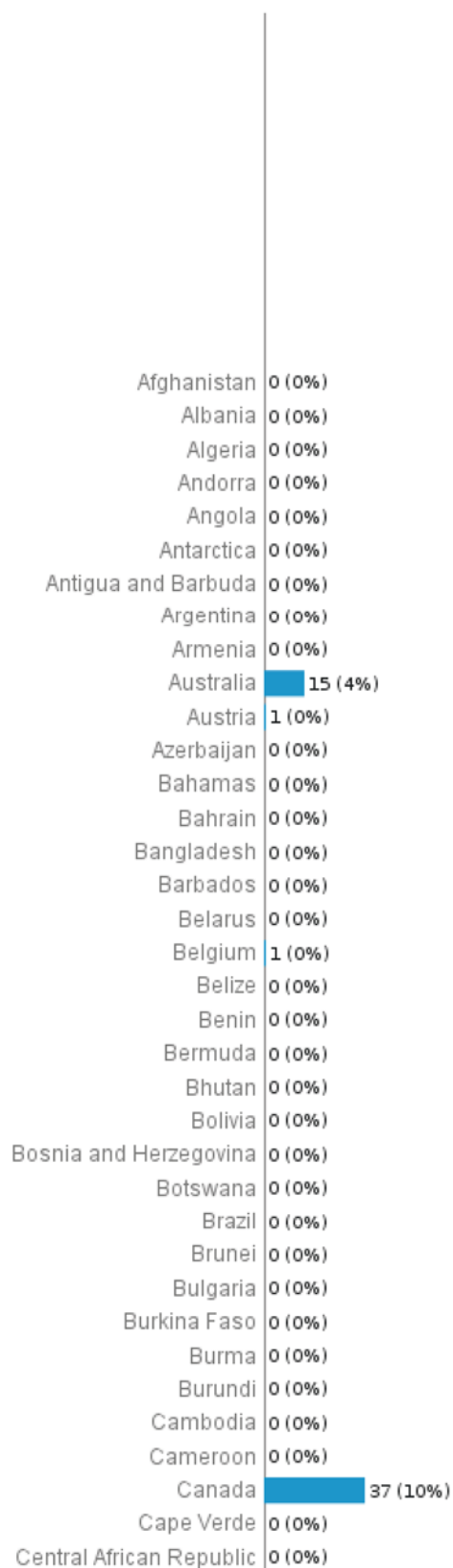
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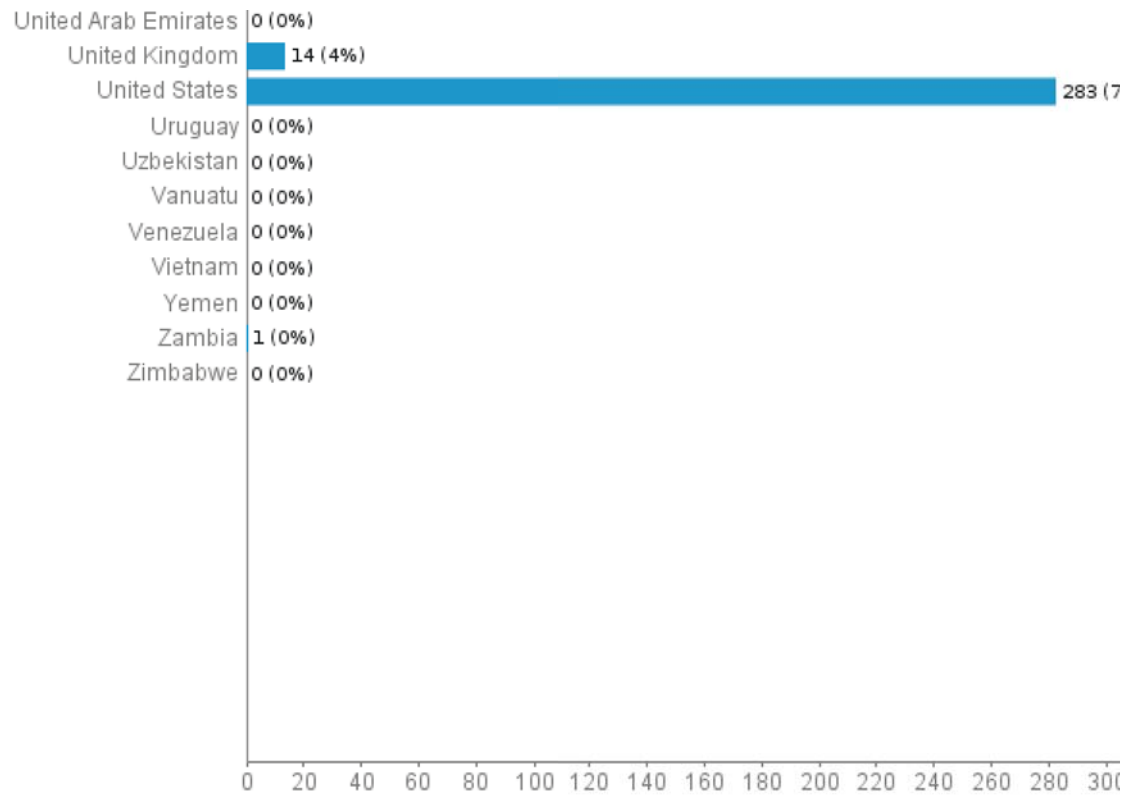
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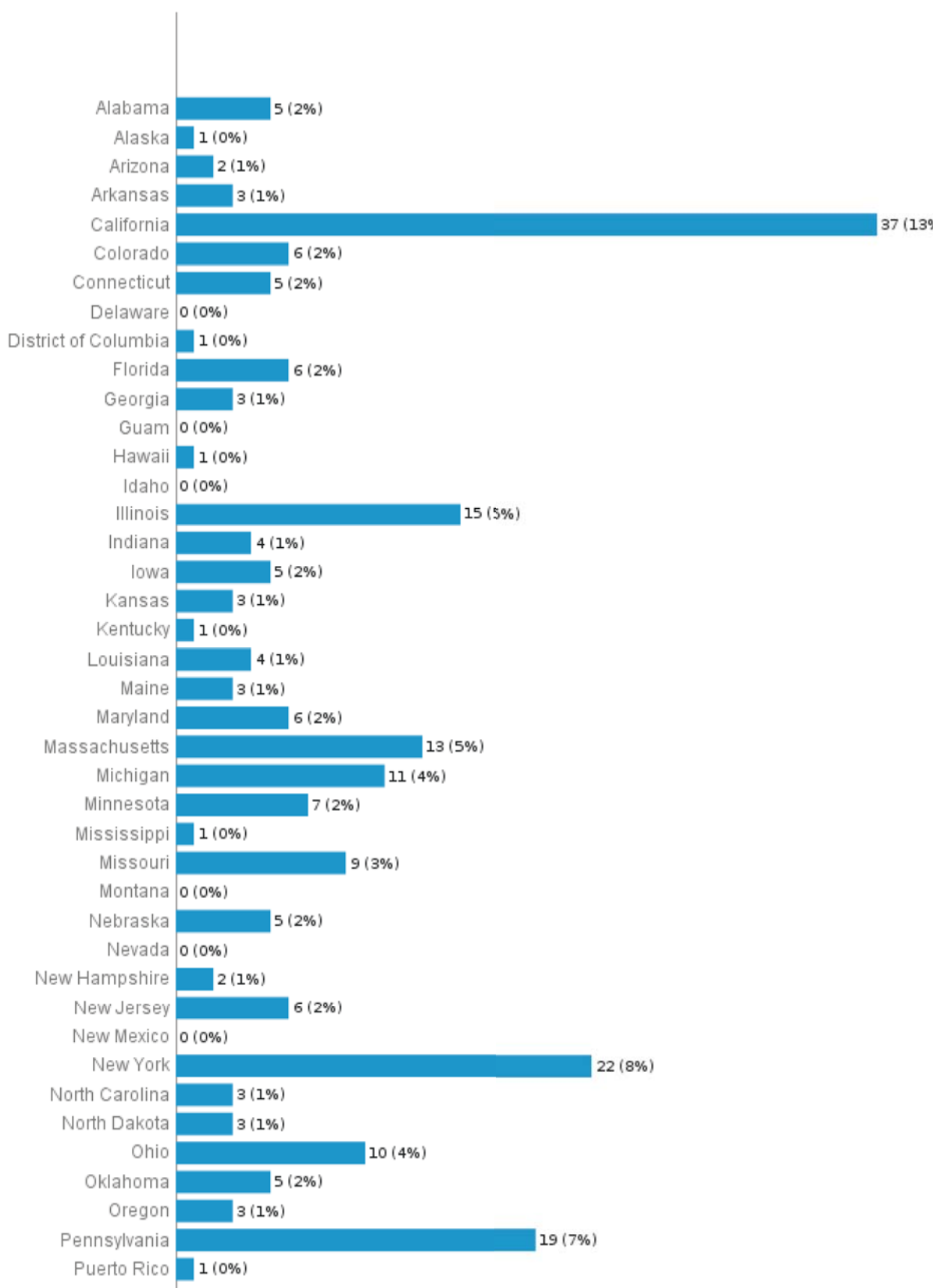
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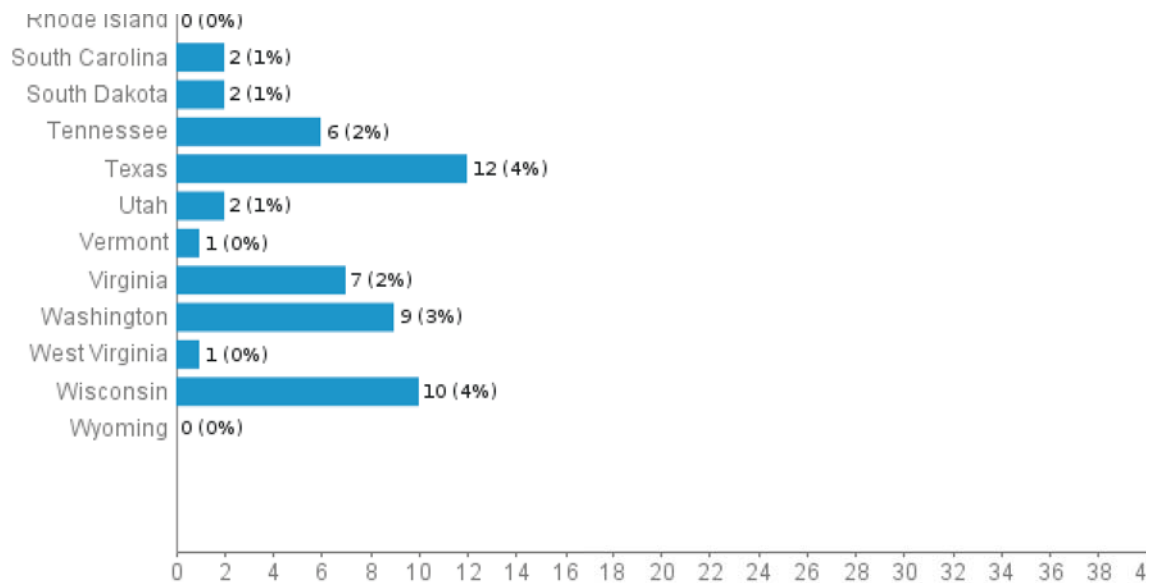
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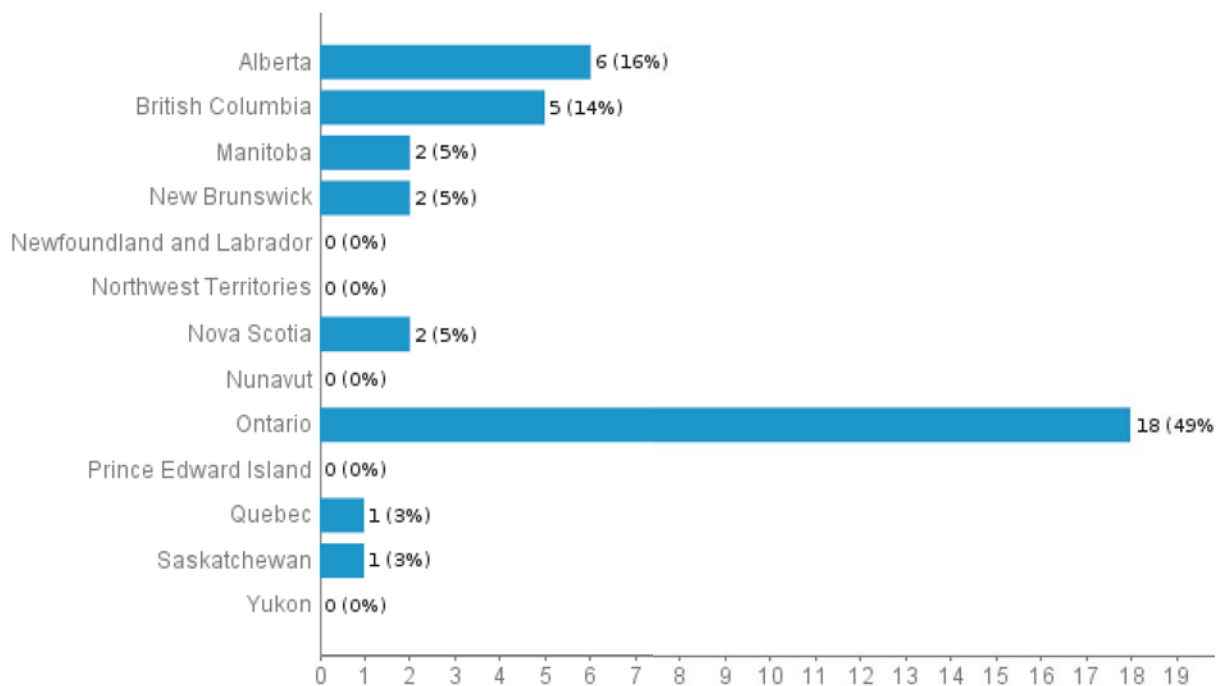


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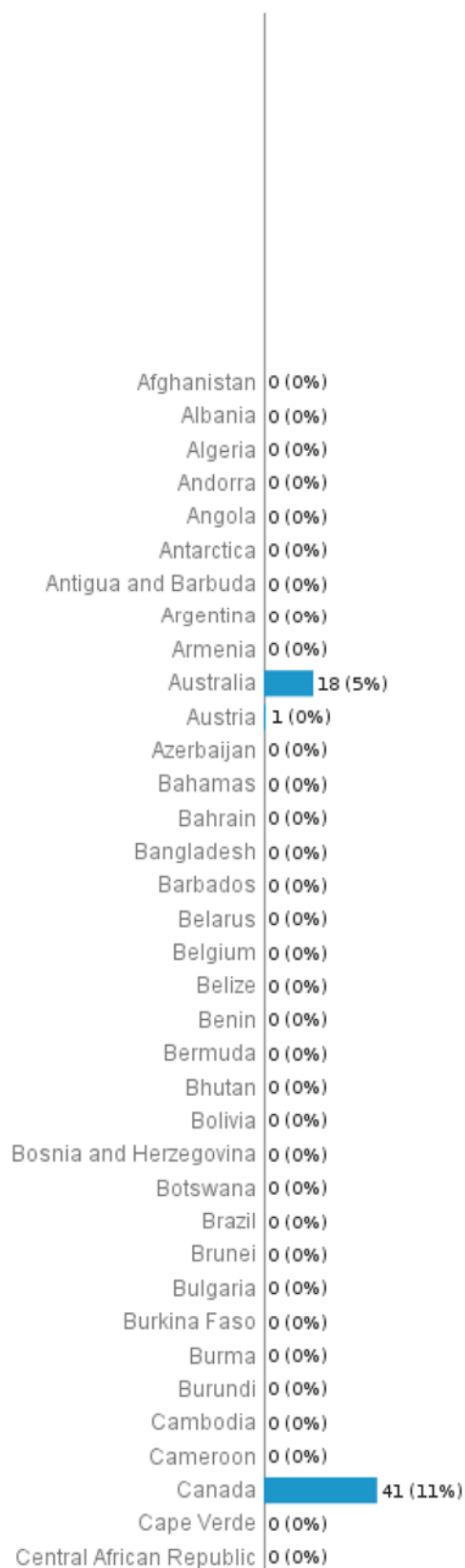




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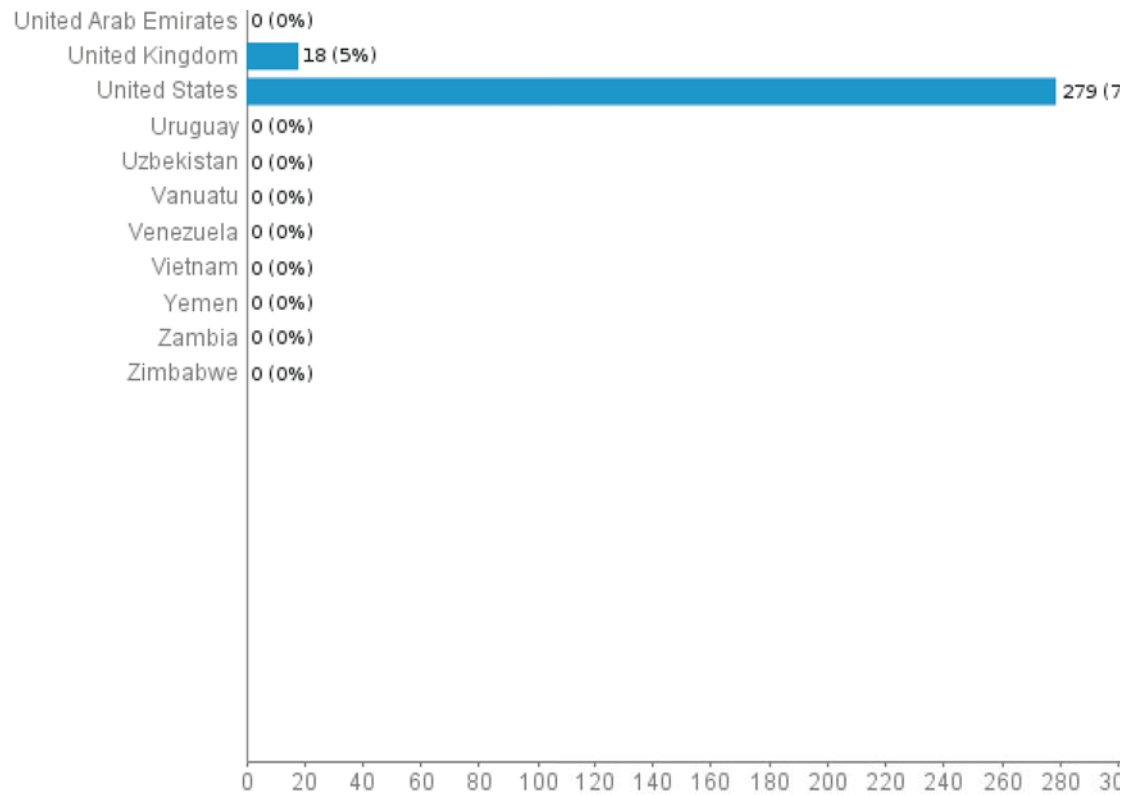
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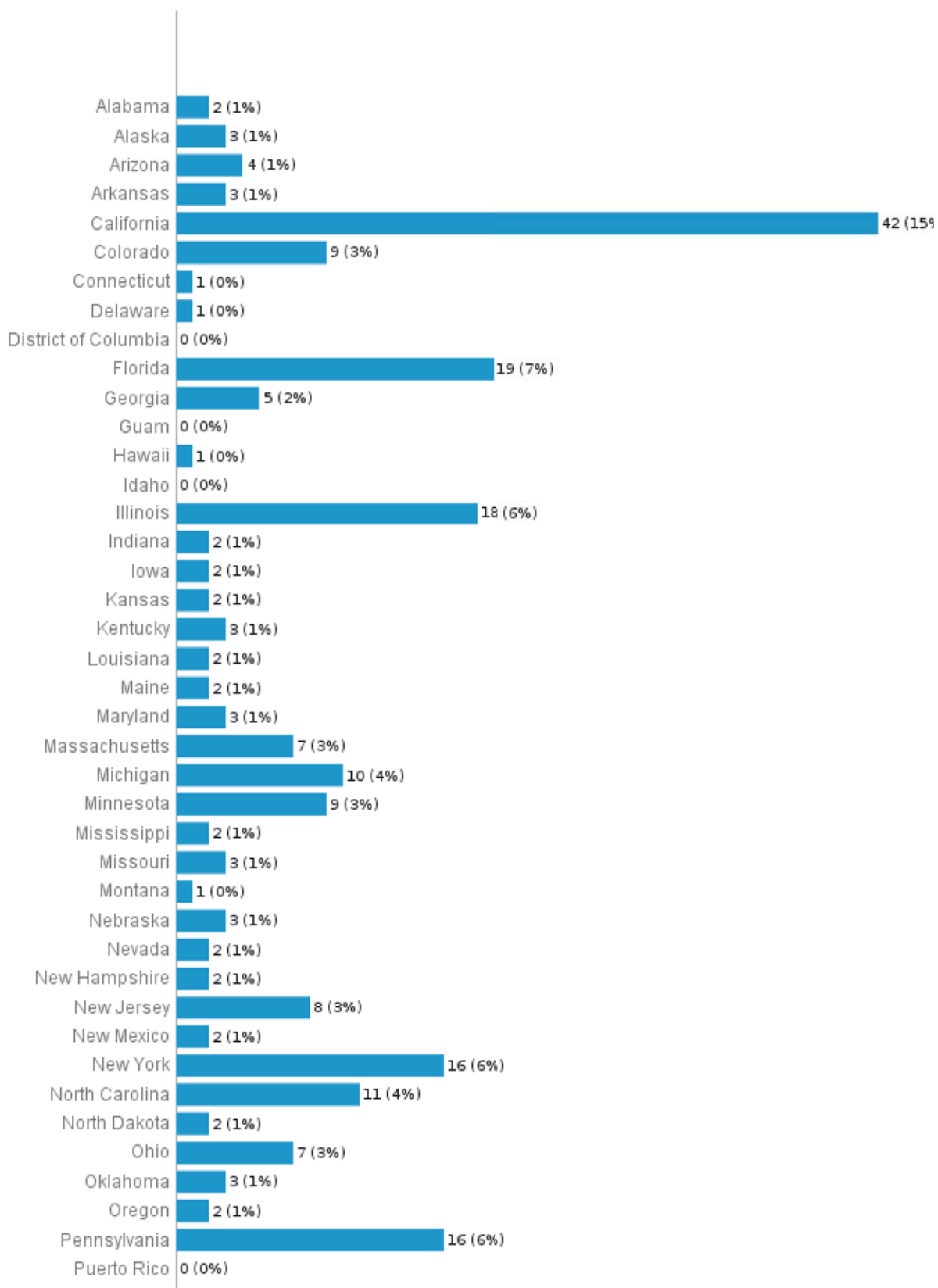
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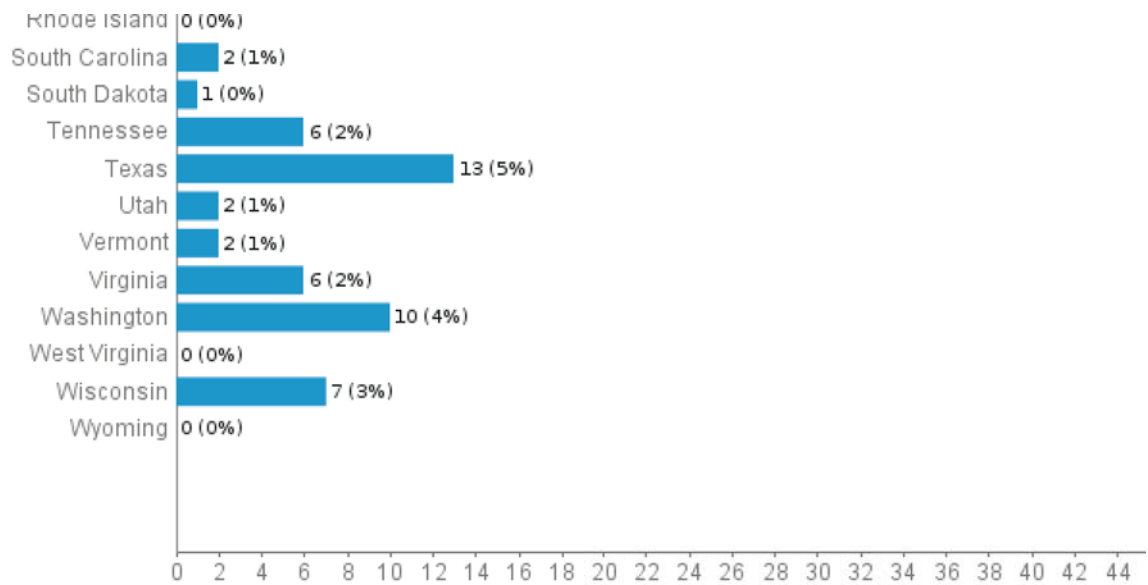
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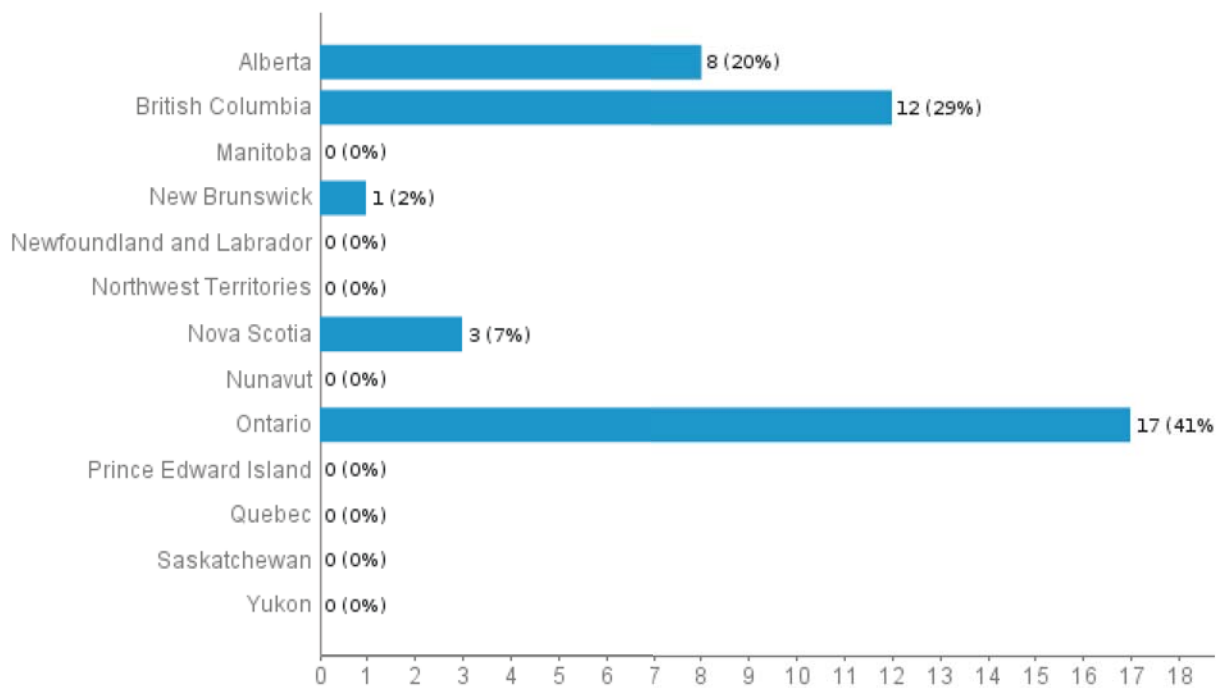


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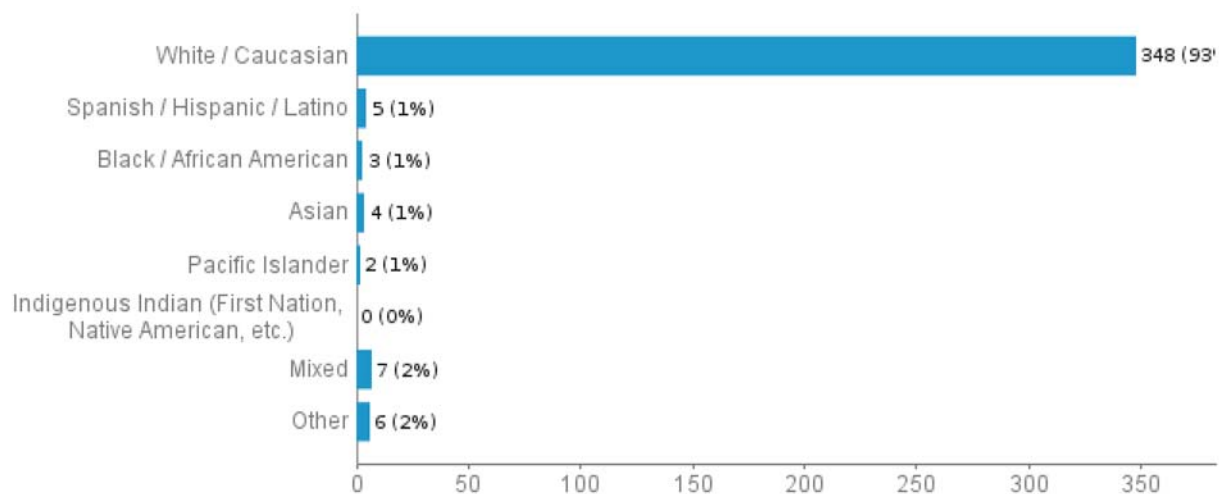




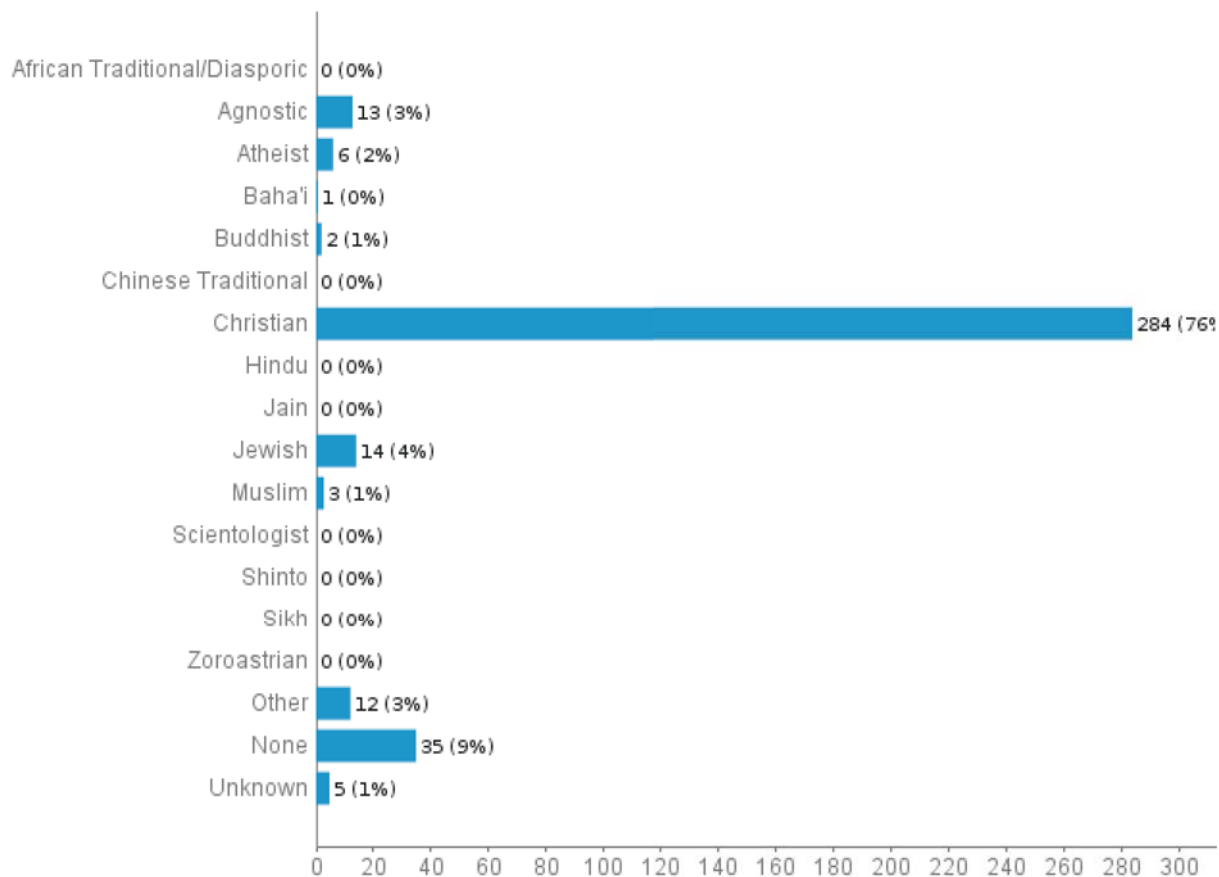
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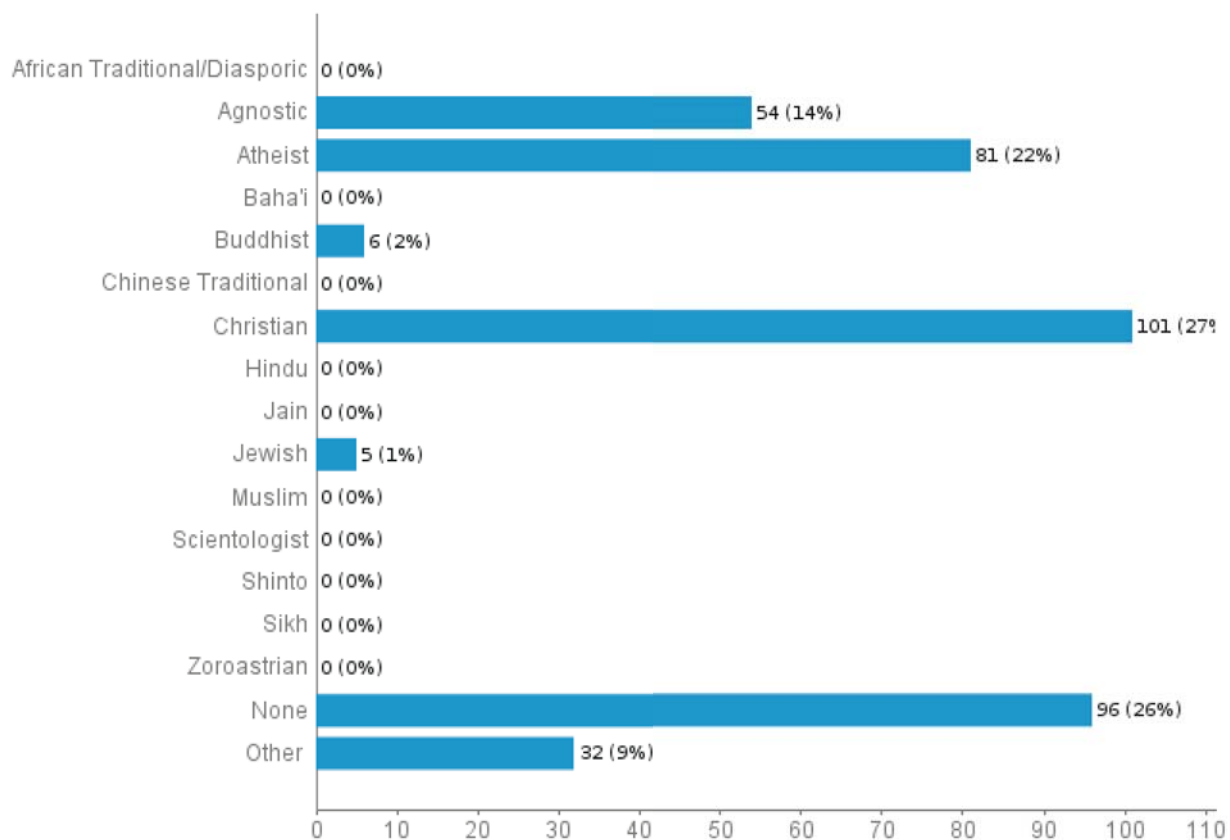
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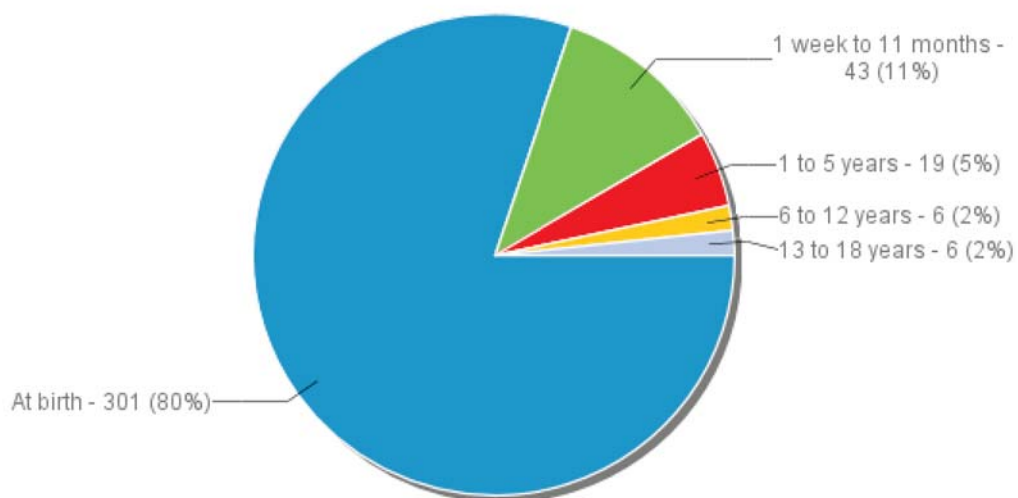
My parents' religious affiliation



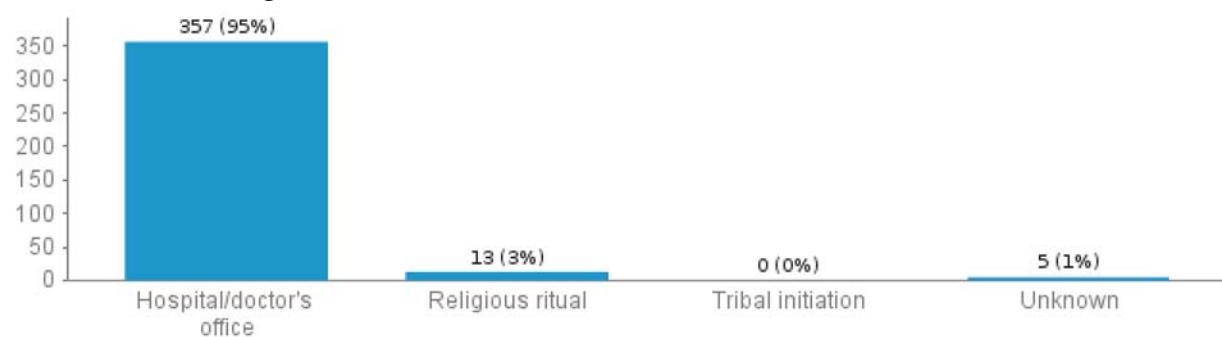
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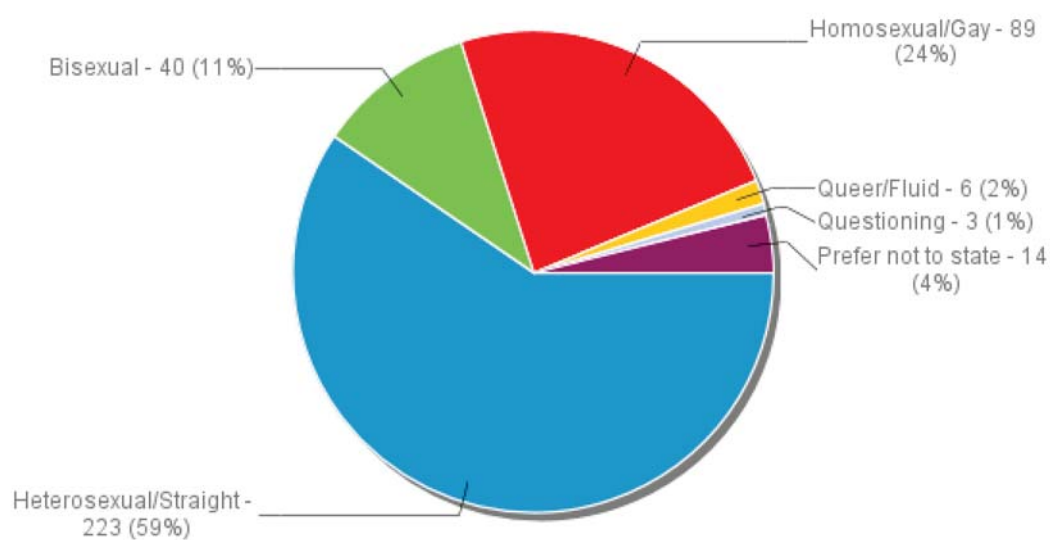
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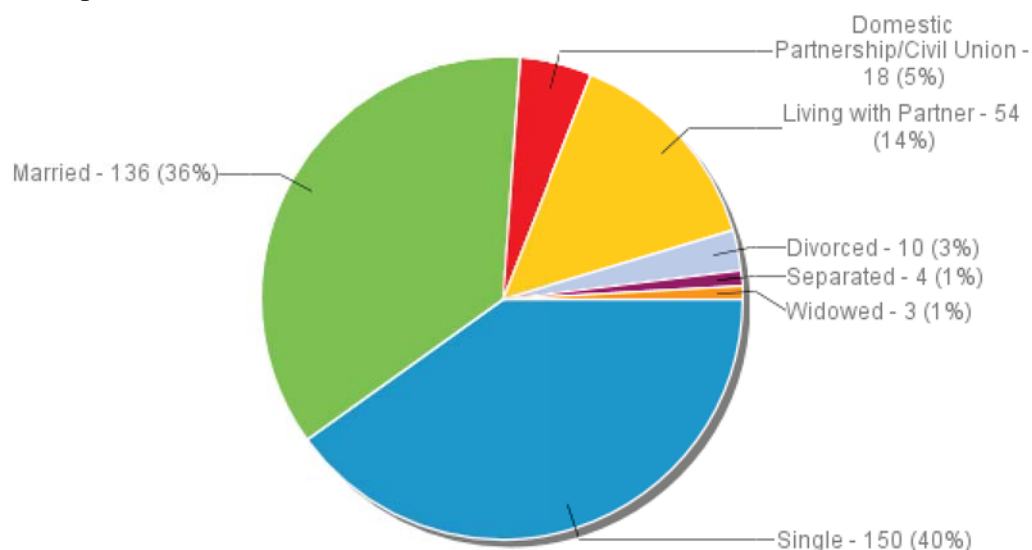
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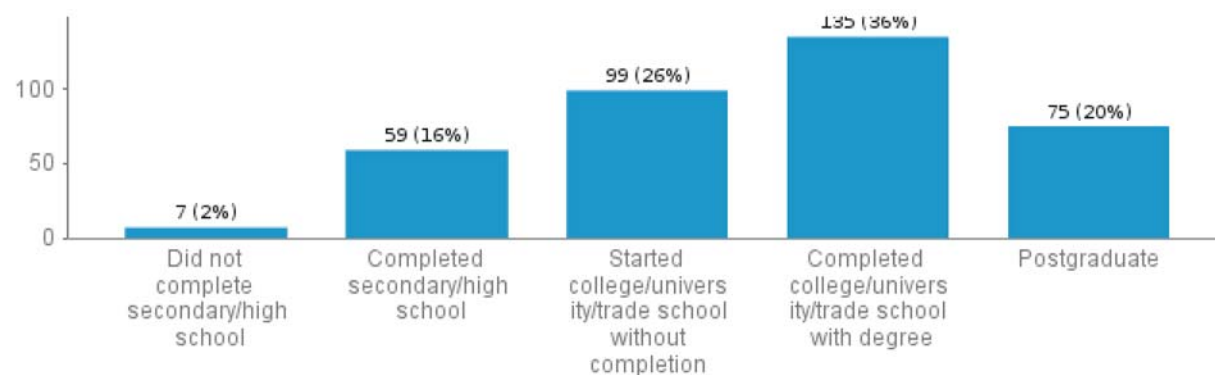
I identify my sexual orientation as



My relationship status is



The highest educational level I achieved is



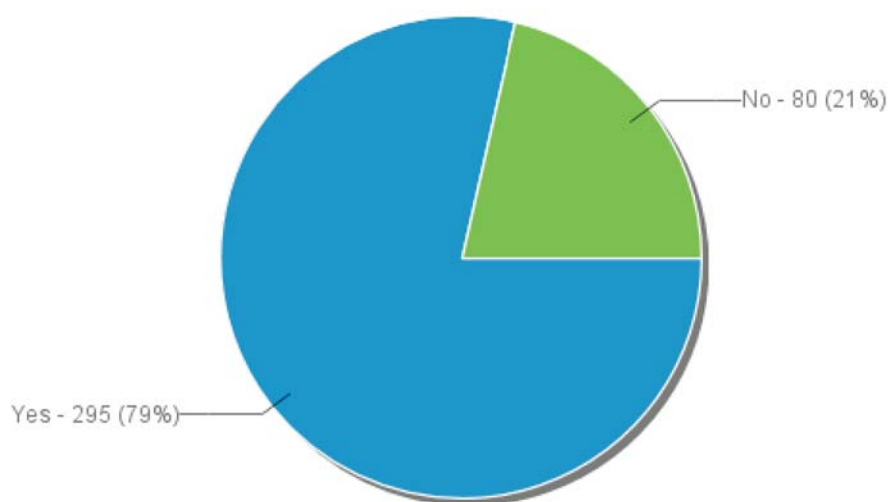
I believe my knowledge about the foreskin is

Response	Chart	Percentage	Count
Below average		3%	10
Average		20%	75
Above average		77%	290
Total Responses			375

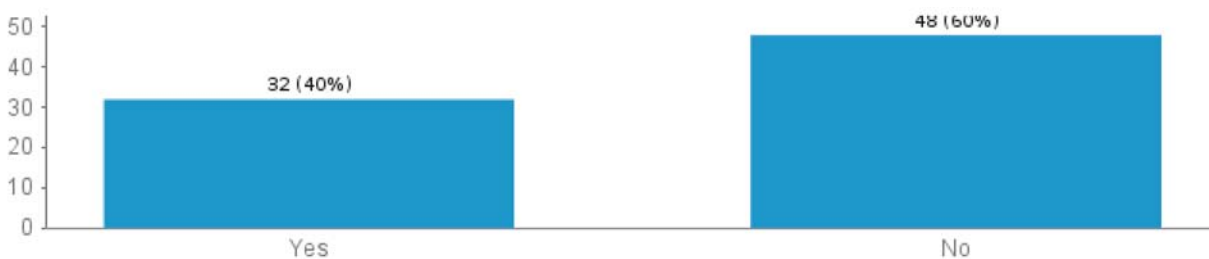
I believe my knowledge of how to identify circumcision damage is

Response	Chart	Percentage	Count
Below average		7%	25
Average		27%	102
Above average		66%	248
Total Responses			375

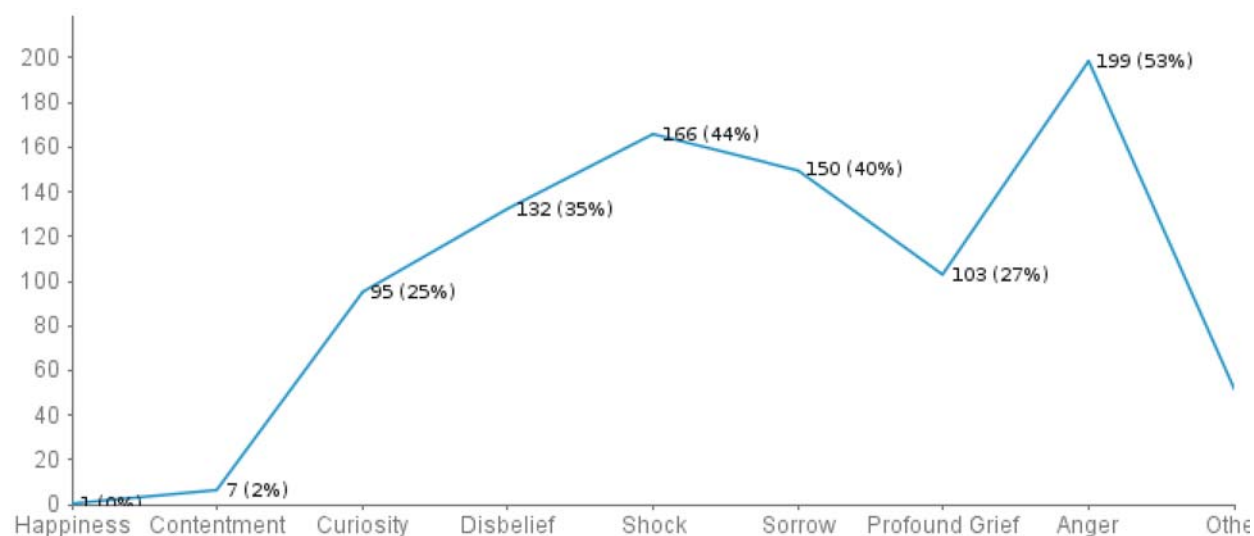
I know other men with circumcision harm (personally or through the internet)



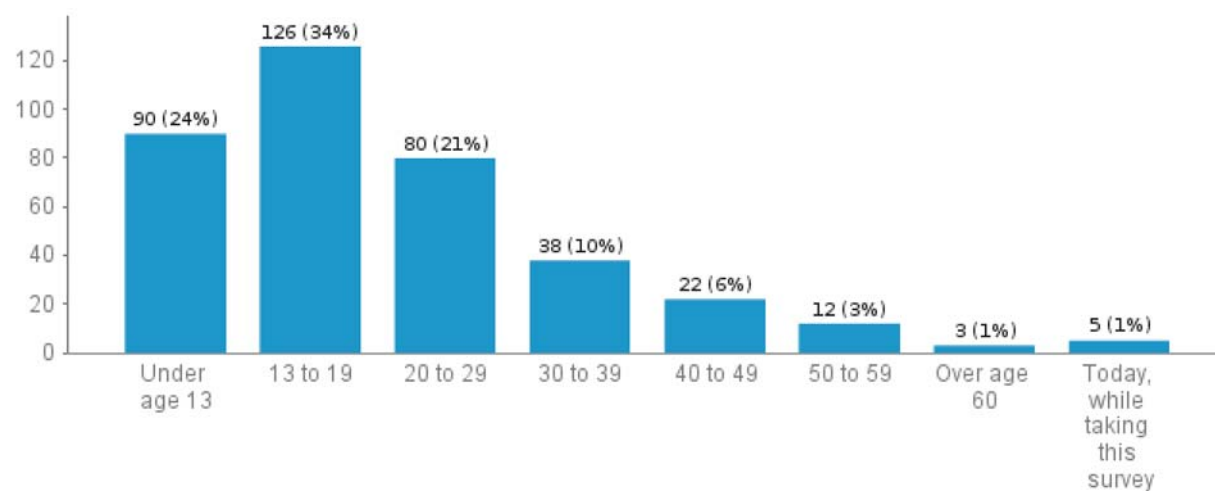
Awareness of my circumcision harm leaves me feeling isolated, helpless or alone.



As I first learned understood what circumcision really was, my reaction was



I recall being the following age when I became aware of my circumcision harm



PHYSICAL: I suffer from the following type(s) of harm

Response	Chart	Percentage	Count
Partial/total loss of penile body (shaft)		11%	41
Partial/total loss of the foreskin, including its ridged bands (A)		100%	379
Partial/total loss of the frenulum (B)		73%	276
Little to no shaft skin mobility on erection/tightly circumcised (C)		60%	226
Gouges/missing parts from the glans (D)		9%	32
Skin tag/s (E)		23%	86
Skin bridge/s (F)		10%	36
Prominent circumcision scar/s (G)		65%	243
Drastic skin tone variance on either side of scar (H)		47%	176
Meatal stenosis (I)		24%	91
Twist/bend in the penis when flaccid or erect		26%	97
Hair along mid- to upper shaft (from tight circumcision) causing friction during sex		45%	168
Other, please specify:		16%	59
Total Responses			376

PHYSICAL: I suffer from the following type(s) of harm (Other, please specify:)

#	Response
1.	Calloused glans
2.	urine twists on the way out and sprays, penis inflated like a balloon during erection, and thus deflates very quickly after orgasm, lack of sensation meant not discovering masturbation until late, trauma caused by not having a foreskin for intromission caused peyronie's disease, lack of closeness when deflating penis popped out too soon after orgasm, not understanding that circumcision trauma was why I never knew anyone liked me (these people doing this to me obviously didn't like me, PTSD delaying normal sexual relations because of fear (look what happened the first time someone touched me there), and much much more
3.	Penoscrotal webbing
4.	Over sensitivity to friction
5.	All of my penile shaft skin was removed. The majority of my inner mucosa was removed. There is a jagged line. I developed dissociative identity disorder as a result of the trauma (since I was wide awake during the procedure). I also developed a severe bloodborne infection and a movement disorder began the same time as the infection, which has worsened over the years and has other autoimmune characterisitcs (similar to rheumatic fever).
6.	small skin tunnel along circumcision scar
7.	None

8.	reduced glans sensitivity
9.	desensitization of glans
10.	possibly E.D.
11.	pubic hair at circ scar
12.	Total loss of sexual funtion and satisfaction
13.	none
14.	scarring from glans
15.	partially hidden penis
16.	Lop sided cut leaving unequal skin coverage
17.	Mental Discomfort
18.	Keratinization of glans and foreskin fragment
19.	Tethered erections due to insufficient remaining skin.
20.	webing from sack meatal stenosis, loss of ridged bands
21.	tears when erect
22.	Frenular remnant is "twisted" to the right
23.	twist in urineation
24.	Friction/tenderness during physical activity
25.	puncture wounds from the serperation probe,
26.	insensitivity
27.	Medium circumcision scar
28.	damaged glans
29.	no feeling :(
30.	Calloused glans
31.	little pleasurable sensation
32.	Crooked scar (from left to right)
33.	conceaed penis
34.	Inability to orgasm even after prolonged intercourse
35.	Loss of penile feeling
36.	Gouge from the shaft
37.	deformation of the meatus
38.	Small skin adhesion to glans
39.	Ripping along the circumcision scar along the top behind the corona, which lead to extreme sensitivity and pain in that area
40.	50-60% reduction overall with less ventral skin than dorsal
41.	almost no sensation during sex from thickened glans surface

42.	callous glans
43.	suture tunnel
44.	mucosal tissue above scar thicker in diameter than shaft
45.	Retarded ejaculation
46.	considerable pain and constant irritation/chafing of the exposed glans with meatus highly painful to touch
47.	Iatrogenic homosexual, instead of natural homosexual
48.	concealed penis
49.	loss of sensitivity
50.	loose, uneven, 'baggy' foreskin remnant
51.	inability to be straight when erect. It stays arched like a rainbow.
52.	none of these
53.	burrowed penis, mounded scar tissue from stitches after circ, callouses
54.	none
55.	scarring off glans from abrasion
56.	near complete loss of any sensation in penis
57.	Cracks in glans

SEXUAL: When aroused, I suffer from the following symptoms

Response	Chart	Percentage	Count
Insensitive glans (penile head)		67%	250
Dry, keratinized glans (requires lubricants before sex)		75%	283
Excess stimulation needed to achieve orgasm		57%	213
Delayed ejaculation (I can't orgasm when I want to)		38%	141
Premature ejaculation (I orgasm sooner than I want to)		19%	72
Erectile dysfunction (trouble getting/staying hard) UNTREATED		23%	87
Erectile dysfunction TREATED WITH VIAGRA, CIALIS, etc.		7%	27
Penile bleeding along shaft or at scar during sex		5%	20
Painful erections (pain along the shaft skin)		15%	57
Circumcision scar is painful		8%	31
Circumcision scar is numb (no feeling)		31%	118
Circumcision scar is extra sensitive		7%	27
Other, please specify:		13%	47
Total Responses			375

SEXUAL: When aroused, I suffer from the following symptoms (Other, please specify:)

#	Response
1.	mental, conscious always about what is missing
2.	glans is sensitive but in a sandpaper sort of way - not pleasurable
3.	Somewhat/varying sensitive frenulum remnant
4.	too small of a sexually-active area, have to stimulate it just so in order to feel anything
5.	My wife experiences extra friction from the hair on my shaft.
6.	No pleasure and feel of envy towards intact boys
7.	chafing without lubrication
8.	None
9.	Complete sexual dysfunction w/ no feeling whatsoever
10.	Lack of sensitivity
11.	Chafing/bleeding during sex due to remaining skin being too tight and unmovable.

12.	glans rubbing raw, scar and inner foreskin really sensitive
13.	restored foreskin - reversed negative symptoms listed
14.	shaft skin tears from erections during puberty
15.	No J-receptors, no joy
16.	glans only feels unpleasant to touch
17.	tight scar limits skin mobility
18.	emotional
19.	difficult to masturbate due to loss of skin mobility
20.	if I wear a condom, I feel **nothing**. And no, I'm not "doing it wrong".
21.	Pain at gouge from the shaft
22.	Feeling of raw and overly (painfully) sensitive glans after sex
23.	rarely notice a build up to climax and orgasm
24.	I'm celibate, my girl friends vagina would become damaged.
25.	Lifelong awareness of loss of normal body part
26.	very little if any feeling where my frenulum used to be this is supposed to be a g spot of the penis
27.	little to no mobility causing pain with manipulation
28.	pain on glans when masturbating
29.	Frequent ripping of what is left of my frenulum
30.	Painful Orgasm
31.	not really any pleasure derived from sexual acts themselves -only orgasm - process of getting there isn't that enjoyable in and of itself
32.	wooden stick feeling during sex
33.	glans is so painful to the touch that erections fail
34.	Lose interest in sex with rubber due to additional numbing by condom
35.	scar is too tight to accommodate a full erection comfortably
36.	NA
37.	At small skinbridge/scar area I am prone to tears and tenderness in the skin that can cause pain lasting weeks
38.	penis goes numb after prolonged use and thus lose erection
39.	none of these
40.	Soreness in the skin at the base of the penis after sex (it is being pulled up onto the shaft)
41.	none
42.	anorgasmia, near complete loss of all feeling in penis
43.	required a very precise type of stimulation and vivid imagery to achieve climax
44.	none
45.	Dry mucosa and tight shaft skin chafing

46. none.

EMOTIONAL/PSYCHOLOGICAL: When I think about my circumcision I feel/have felt

Response	Chart	Percentage	Count
Anger		74%	276
Frustration		72%	268
Shame		37%	139
Betrayed for lack of protection from harm by my mother		60%	225
Betrayed for lack of protection from harm by my father		52%	195
Betrayed for lack of protection from harm by doctor(s)		63%	234
Betrayed for lack of protection from harm by clergy/religious		11%	42
Betrayed for lack of protection from harm by tribal elder(s)		2%	7
Dissatisfaction with my condition		79%	296
Spiritual trauma		20%	74
Recurrent nightmares about being attacked		11%	41
Mutilated		64%	240
My body was violated/raped		60%	226
My human rights were violated		78%	292
Violent thoughts about or desire for retribution against perpetrator (mine or others)		30%	112
Suicidal thoughts		15%	56
I have problems identifying and/or expressing feelings and emotions (alexithemia)		24%	89
Other, please specify:		14%	54
Total Responses			374




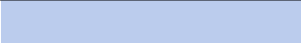



EMOTIONAL/PSYCHOLOGICAL: When I think about my circumcision I feel/have felt (Other, please specify:)

#	Response
1.	motivated to end this child abuse
2.	I was circumcised and later put up for adoption - leaves me with feelings of abandonment and gross neglect
3.	Clinical depression I can no longer function and am pursuing Social Security
4.	unable to even begin to comprehend that anyone cares about me (how could they if they are doing to do that!)
5.	There is a part of me missing.

6.	Deep sorrow and a sense of loss
7.	The autoimmune disorder has SEVERELY handicapped me, and the dissociative disorder has as well. It has robbed me of the very person that I was and should continue to be.
8.	meh
9.	I feel bad for my partner, I feel like an inadequate sexual partner
10.	Why did my parents agree to circumcision?
11.	I feel somewhat disconnected from and jealous of my intact son
12.	Additional anger at a father I already considered abusive
13.	trouble sleeping when in a rage about the circumcision
14.	Great Sadness in my life due solely to circumcision.
15.	Disgust with my country
16.	I have considered leaving the US as I am more comfortable in non-circumcising cultures where I do not have to contemplate the violence done to children where I live
17.	No freedom of speech, others will think I'm anti-semitic. Sad to see newborn family members automatically circ'd, their parents think it's hygienic, I can't discuss it with them because I don't want to accuse them of mutilation, but that IS how I feel about them. It seems evil and barbaric.
18.	lonely, alienated, bereft of a human experience, like my humanity was reduced, sexually maimed
19.	betrayed by society
20.	Avoidance of intimacy
21.	I am still in a bit of denial, I am struggling to accept the full repercussions of what was done to me
22.	a feeling I will never be whole. You can recover from psychological damage; you cannot recover from AMPUTATION
23.	desire to keep this from happening to others
24.	when young it felt not "Normal" with glands rubbing underwear
25.	Suffering the consequences of someone else's decisions; helpless bystander
26.	nil
27.	Depression / PTSD
28.	Cheated out of a real penis during MY time.
29.	feeling of not being whole, normal as Nature meant me to be.
30.	Determination to do positive things to rectify situation
31.	consumed with rage
32.	distrust of medical profession
33.	I grew up feeling negative toward being circumcised
34.	indifference
35.	hatred towards my mother
36.	disfigured, not normal
37.	loss of identity

38.	loss of pleasant intimacy with others
39.	incompleteness, my body isn't whole, like an amputee
40.	Problems with intimacy. Embarrassment at size and dryness of my penis and how long it takes to achieve orgasm.
41.	Some redemption through Intactivist work
42.	humiliation
43.	dissatisfied with society
44.	Disappointment that other treatments not offered (and I had no knowledge of any alternatives.
45.	like "m not good enough for my wife
46.	I wish I had had the option to choose for myself (and I wouldn't have chosen to be cut)
47.	indifferent
48.	Indifference
49.	impotent to take action, direct anger
50.	Ability to bond with others 'amputated'
51.	astounded that this subject has such misinformation and lack of rational decision making associated with it
52.	none
53.	Awareness

SELF ESTEEM: As a consequence of my circumcision I feel

Response	Chart	Percentage	Count
Less whole		77%	290
Not normal/unnatural		66%	247
Inferior to men who are intact (not circumcised)		67%	250
Damaged		78%	292
Ashamed/fearful of letting others, including sexual partner(s), see my penis		28%	105
Persistently concerned about a real or perceived defect in my genital anatomy (body dysmorphic disorder)		34%	129
Other, please specify:		15%	56
Total Responses			375

SELF ESTEEM: As a consequence of my circumcision I feel (Other, please specify:)

#	Response
1.	vulnerable to other types of physical harm
2.	missing a huge part of potential sexual pleasures enjoyed by my intact friends
3.	FEAR!! Can't let anyone touch me, it hurts too much!!
4.	That I'd like to regenerate the skin if it's possible without discomfort or other negative effect
5.	NOT REAL! Not even ME!!!
6.	Angry
7.	sub-human, disconnected from others
8.	fine
9.	same as I always have
10.	Intense desire to be intact.
11.	I feel that I can now understand other problems I have had
12.	betrayed
13.	aggressive, defensive, paranoid
14.	none of the above
15.	Anger, knowing that American women likely WANT men this way.
16.	Disrespected as a Human being, a Man and as a person. By my analysis from the DSM4TR I have a mild form of PTSD, recurrent thoughts, emotional sensitivity to this issue, fear and mistrust of doctors and the medical profession
17.	mutilated, sexual amputee
18.	I wonder what it would feel like to be sexually intact.
19.	unable to ever have a normal relationship with a woman

20.	Less able to please sexual partner due to lack of ability to orgasm during most sexual experiences.
21.	unequal to my own intact sons
22.	Persistently Violated
23.	denied years of sexual satisfaction in adolescence
24.	worried when a teenager comparing with others
25.	Its so frustrating, Girls will be my friend to explore sexual conductivity, then when I refuse, or show.. I lose both ways, with or with out sex.
26.	depressed
27.	held back
28.	Robbed
29.	nil
30.	I have less to offer an intact man
31.	cheated, not of Nature, naked, mutilated
32.	I feel that it has caused psychological disturbance
33.	grief about loss of experience
34.	Ambiguous
35.	not concerned
36.	wish it could be undone
37.	cheated of ever know what a natural penis feels and functions like
38.	na
39.	it bothers me everyday
40.	loss of control over my body
41.	mutilated
42.	Real sexual dysfunction pertaining to the "size" and "dryness" of my penis.
43.	amputated
44.	Angry that my restoration doesn't produce adequate prelube
45.	humiliation
46.	reasonably OK
47.	Mistrusting of doctors
48.	smaller than I should be
49.	Honestly don't care.
50.	Indifference
51.	like an amputee and someone who went through something like a rape, but too young to process it and remember
52.	perfectly normal
53.	emotionally guarded; seriously damaged relationship with parents (esp. father); difficulty being close with romantic partners

54. I'm fine and correcting what was done.

RELATIONSHIPS: In terms of my relationships with others, I believe my circumcision:

Response	Chart	Percentage	Count
Impedes my sexual relationships		64%	239
Adversely affects my non-sexual relationships with partner(s)		23%	86
Adversely affects my relationship with my mother		33%	125
Adversely affects my relationship with my father		29%	110
Adversely affects my relationships with other family members/friends		21%	79
Adversely affects my feelings toward circumcised men		24%	89
Adversely affects my feelings toward intact men		22%	81
Causes me to resent/distrust women (e.g., whose genitals are legally protected, or those who are pro-circ)		17%	64
Causes me to distrust the medical profession		68%	254
Distances me from religion		38%	144
Causes me to feel unsafe in the society where my circumcision occurred		38%	144
Other, please specify:		15%	56
Total Responses			375

RELATIONSHIPS: In terms of my relationships with others, I believe my circumcision: (Other, please specify:)

#	Response
1.	i have two grown daughters. they are uncomfortable with me asking them NOT to mutilate my potential grandsons
2.	distrust because of lack of empathy or sympathy from society
3.	Distrust in men
4.	Can't begin to believe anyone cares about me, thus greatly limiting relationship possibilities.
5.	anger without a way to express it constructively
6.	I don't struggle with it where my wife is concerned; beyond her I don't have any relational thoughts as of yet.
7.	I feel overly protective of male infants against even their parents.
8.	Envy towards intact men/boys.
9.	nothing but lost nerve endings
10.	adversely affects sex for my wife.
11.	Has affected my self-esteem.

12.	Disappointment that society doesn't protect boy's genitals, allow it protects girl's
13.	Especially Distrust of Medical Profession
14.	excessive sexual thoughts
15.	None of the above
16.	makes me feel distrustful of everyone
17.	none of the above
18.	Impedes relationships due to time spend restoring foreskin
19.	Causes me anger at the sheer amount of ignorance regarding this topic when it comes to a depressing number of Americans.
20.	It also neauses mistrust among people who I know cut there sons. Much as if they were a slave holder would affect my trust in them.
21.	If it is taboo to discuss circumcision, how will it ever stop?
22.	Adversely affects my feelings towards pro-circumcision supporters
23.	I generally have feeling of anger anainst parents of young circumcised boys.
24.	adversely affects my fatherhood, I feel so different to my intact sons and I feel like I can't advise them on sexuality
25.	Adversely affects my relationships with (potential partners) men
26.	Does not affect any of the above
27.	made me less sociable / trusting of society during adolescence
28.	keeps me from having the relationship i want with a partner
29.	Jealous of intact men
30.	No adverse relational effects
31.	Causes me to hate America and any country which enables this
32.	Never had any sexual relationship, but I believe that the numbing effect of circumcision would negatively affect coitus.
33.	hatred and resentment toward women (and men) who practice and promote circumcision of men
34.	Makes me less confident
35.	lack of confidence, feeling flawed and needing acceptance
36.	not a factor
37.	Creates skepticism in people I thought should be trusted
38.	Angered by the intransigence of those who think circumcision is normal.
39.	no harm in this area
40.	Inhibits my ability to have a long(er) term relationship with intact partners
41.	is largely irrelevant
42.	Afraid to ever talk about it
43.	has no effect
44.	Forces me to be more careful to not tear the skin.

45.	Made me a stronger father to protect my own sons
46.	None of these
47.	Indifference
48.	natural and normal physical and emotional bonding with opposite sex is impossible due to amputation / mutilation of penis
49.	makes me feel that people are frequently poor at decision making and highly biased due to misinformation and fear mongering, such that they cannot focus on human rights and sexual functionality
50.	no negative relationship
51.	Relationship is healthy no problems
52.	none

BEHAVIOURS: Thinking about my circumcision causes/has caused me to enagage in

Response	Chart	Percentage	Count
Smoking		10%	36
Alcohol		15%	57
Prescription drugs (stimulants, tranquilizers, etc.)		6%	21
Non-prescription/social/illegal drugs		7%	28
Food (overeating)		14%	51
Compulsive sex (because sex is only temporarily satisfying and I always feel I need more)		23%	87
Infliction of self harm (pinching, bruising, cutting, biting, burning, scarring, piercing)		8%	31
Suicidal attempts		5%	18
Other, please specify:		20%	75
None of the above		45%	167
Total Responses			374

BEHAVIOURS: Thinking about my circumcision causes/has caused me to enagage in (Other, please specify:)

#	Response
1.	restor
2.	Focus on wanting to be intact.
3.	restoration
4.	poor sleep
5.	Foreskin restoration
6.	engaging in dangerous activities - speeding, flying
7.	Have often wondered if Piercing was related to circumcision
8.	Compulsive Masturbation
9.	Sex is not satisfying, but because I have a strong sex drive, I am always frustrated.
10.	I become quite outraged when I find out my friends intend to mutilate their own children's genitals. It tends to strain our relationship, and in extreme instances, ends it.
11.	chronic masturbation
12.	compulsive sexual thoughts/feeling
13.	over masturbating
14.	foreskin restoration
15.	Foreskin restoration
16.	I became an intactivist and talk to everyone about the harms

17.	Some things I cannot list for fear of them coming back to harm me
18.	restoring foreskin
19.	social isolation
20.	Too much masturbation. Depression.
21.	avoiding intimacy
22.	activism against circumcision
23.	Seeking help on the net from others like myself.
24.	Anorexia and Bulimia
25.	bulimia
26.	excessive masturbation, avoiding sex
27.	Cumulative masturbation because penetrative sex often leaves me unable to orgasm.
28.	Suicidal Thoughts
29.	depression
30.	promiscuity
31.	restoring foreskin by stretching over many years to improve function and to feel whole
32.	Depression/sleeping
33.	Cold shoulder I've tried to get attention from lawyers for over ten years. I'm twenty seven, first attempt was when I was 17, after my mom kicked me out of the house for leaving lights on. I was homeless and a friend let me sleep on his couch.
34.	Depression
35.	depression
36.	unnatural extreme sex, using extreme sex toys, sex with several men... it is like a escape from the pain
37.	who can isolate these feelings?
38.	watch (heterosexual) porn specifically with intact guys
39.	Hatred of my body followed by extreme sadness and relief when it will all be over one day and I won't have to think about it
40.	Intactivism. Speaking out for those with no voice. To help end genital mutilation of all infants.
41.	repeated attempts at restoration, with low results
42.	endless internet reading about circumcision and spending tons of time in support forums
43.	restoration
44.	shaft skin stretching/"restoration"
45.	Attempts to restore my foreskin
46.	intimacy avoidance
47.	masterbation
48.	efforts to reverse the circumcision which I did in 1976 with a surgical foreskin restoration
49.	Risky sex, i.e. in public places, enhancement to otherwise numbed sex

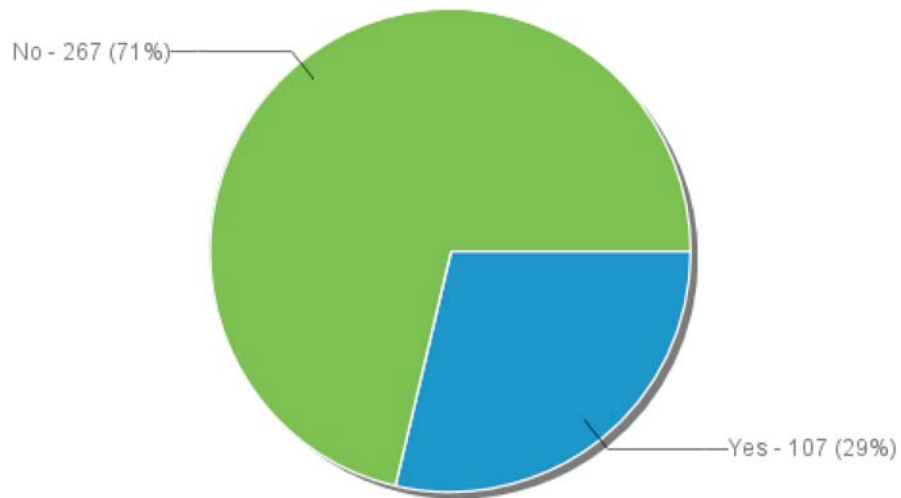
50. suicidal thoughts, but no attempt

51. frequent masturbation

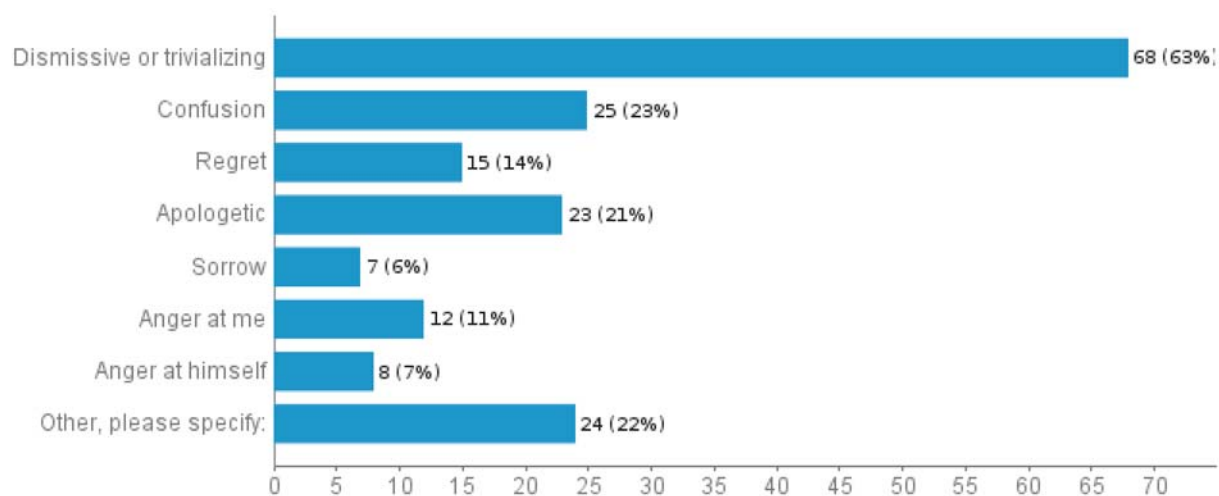
52. Episodes of rage

53. restoration and activism

I've expressed my feelings about my circumcision to my father



When sharing my feelings about my circumcision to my father, his reaction was



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#	Response
1.	incredulity
2.	absent at that time, war
3.	wasn't even aware it was done.
4.	He never thought nor was asked before the dr's just took mine. dad has regret
5.	He continues to insist it was his right to decide, and that he made the right decision, despite my very vocal statements that it should have been my choice and I never would have chosen it for myself or my child
6.	He said that he argued with the Dr. who insisted it "had to be done".
7.	Sorry that my birth mother cut me.
8.	My father thought that being circumcised, I would more quickly feel assimilated when I came to the US (1950), which actually is correct.
9.	this reaction changed over time from dismissive to more supportive
10.	disbelief as to why I was upset
11.	"You'll need to get over it" ... "I had more important things to worry about" (in responding to my questions, he is intact)
12.	He laughed with intent to destroy my life: Hilarious.
13.	He is ashamed of his intact penis because his family was too poor to pay for him to be circumcised. He feels that he is not normal.
14.	He made jokes of laughter to the extent of being hilarious to him self and heinous in my perception. It was my life in ruins that brought his laughter: Hilarious by definition.
15.	"Its a Jewish thing," is all he said, then expressed that it hadn't happened to him. He offered no apology for not protecting me, and seemed slightly indifferent. He wasn't in control when I was born.
16.	Explained that the doctor said it was done for "cleanliness"
17.	he cried loudly

18. My father is also circumcised and is a supporter of circumcision

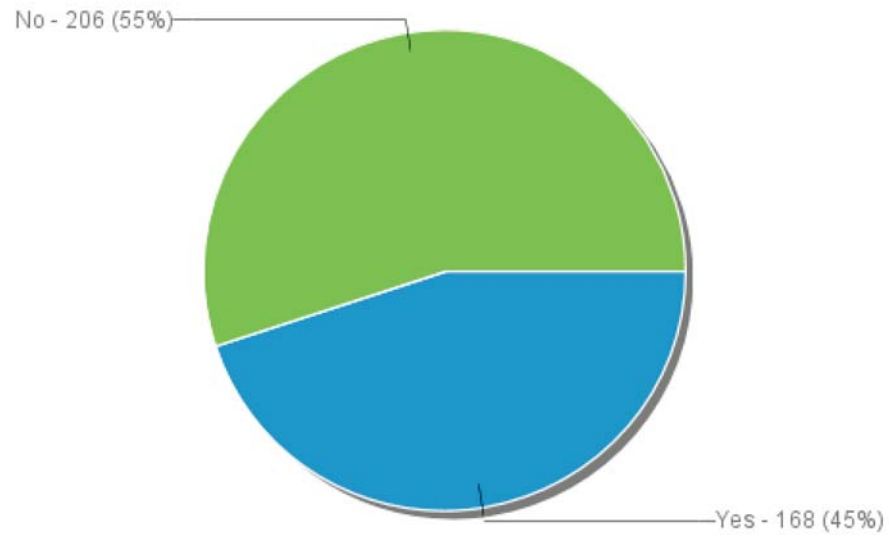
19. Attempt to understand my concerns, maybe a twinge of regret

20. he was uncut - until he died I feel that he never really "got it"

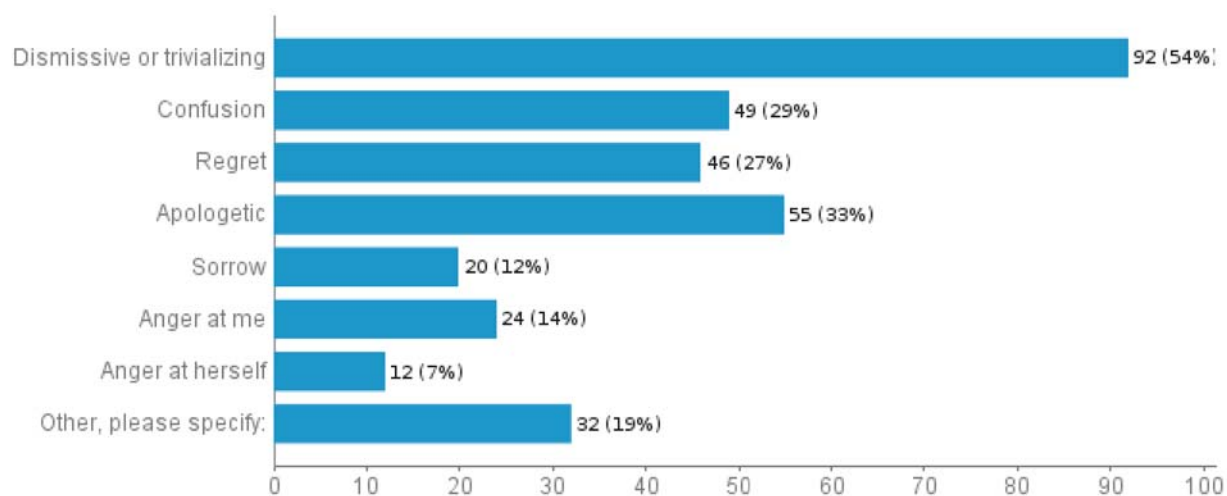
21. I was the one with the problem.

22. he refuses to comment in any way

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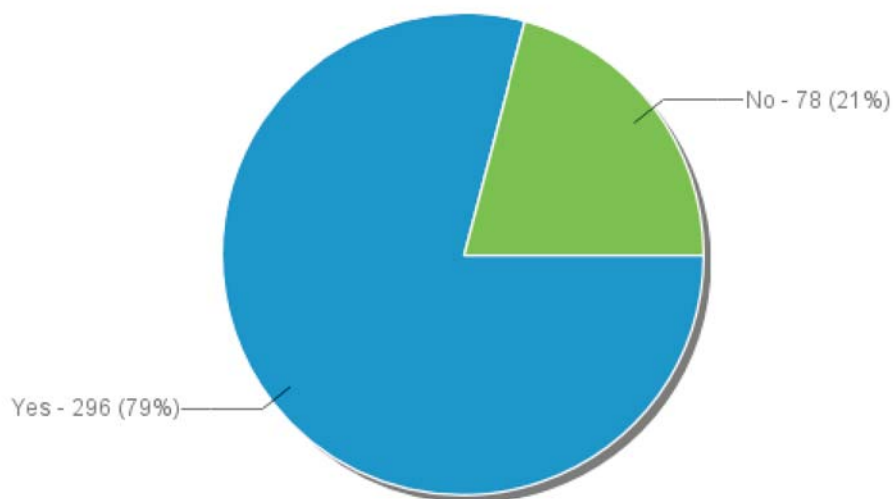


When sharing my feelings about my circumcision to my mother, her reaction was (Other, please specify:)

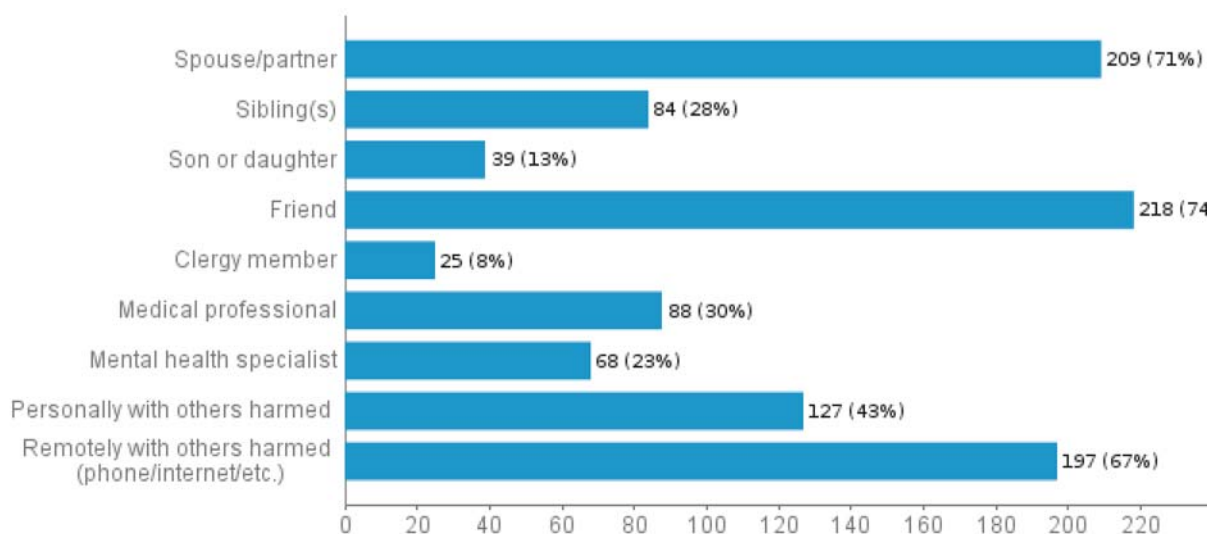
#	Response
1.	she said very little, no apology
2.	ignored me, finally did tell me who the circumciser was, but that was all
3.	avoidance
4.	Factual. "It's what everyone did back then."
5.	don't remember, don't really care
6.	tried to blame my father, apologized, but didn't express much sorrow.
7.	It fueled her typical assesement of herself as a bad Mother that should have protected me from my father.
8.	Severe Depression: My father told me never to raise this issue again.
9.	Insisted it was a good idea, Had no regrets.
10.	Sorry that my birth mother cut me.
11.	its just a pice of skin
12.	She didn't know what it was
13.	said she made no choice; doctor just did it without asking
14.	She felt obligated medically.
15.	She did not want it done, but doctor eventually got his way.
16.	Apathetic
17.	Accusing me of ingratitude.
18.	later accused me of being a "sex addict"
19.	She asked me, why did you decide to get citcumcised?
20.	every other man she knew was circumcised and had no complaints so it was no question that i got circumcised too. she didnt really offer any sympathy

21.	She ignored me and told me not to touch myself.
22.	She told me I wasn't supposed to enjoy sex and that I shouldn't even touch myself.
23.	She said it was done to prevent trouble with sexual function
24.	It was the 'done' thing, Doctor came into the room and stated your son will be circ today!
25.	"It was necessary," is what she said. I had to pull an apology out of her and correct her beliefs. She may have been regretful, but also displayed my father's indifference. She'd never been with a "circumcised" man, and didn't remember signing the form.
26.	didn't want to hear about it, she made me start the circumcision surgery
27.	Failure to understand my concerns, thought they, my parents, were doing the best they could.
28.	tried to blame doctors
29.	said that given the same circumstances she would make the same decision again
30.	My mother said, "Jesus was circumcised."
31.	she explained that the doctor told her it was healthier
32.	She wrote a letter to Hilary Clinton when she was head of the Health Reform Committee; Hilary sent back a form response which didn't acknowledge my mother's complaint.

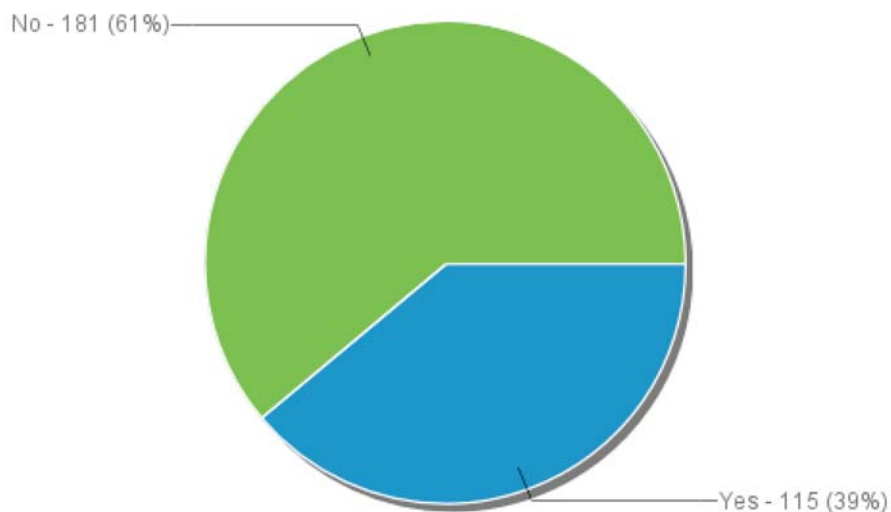
I've talked to other people about my circumcision harm



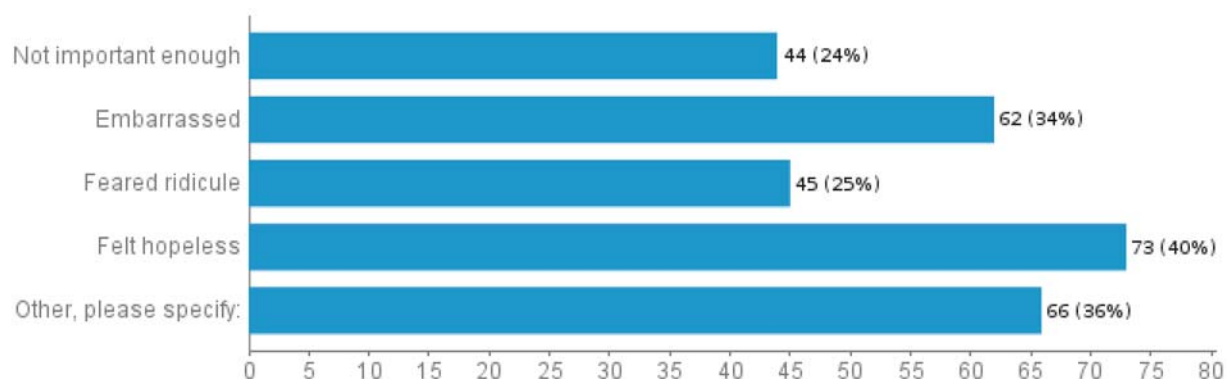
I've talked to the following people about my circumcision harm



I have sought help or treatment for the harm previously described



If help was not sought, why not?



If help was not sought, why not? (Other, please specify:)

#	Response
1.	survey wouldn't let me choose none
2.	I know I can attempt restoration
3.	It's permanent damage that cant be rectified.
4.	Still pondering all this
5.	Didn't believe it would help.
6.	already had heard about restore movement
7.	Taking care of it on my own.
8.	I have no psychological issues, and the medical field either would not be willing to, or not be able to treat my physical condition in any significant way
9.	Don't feel a need.
10.	don't trust medical industry
11.	I'm mentally stable and no physical repair can be done.
12.	self-help
13.	i don't feel it is that bad
14.	I have begun to re-grow my foreskin with the TLC Tugger. (No option for this when I chose 'yes' to the previous question).
15.	they don't really care
16.	Turned to intactivism
17.	Didn't know it was possible till recently, now that I've heard of restoring, I intend to try that.
18.	Not many options available
19.	Can handle on my own
20.	Only help is self help-trying to restore or stretch the skin I have left.
21.	my treatment is foreskin restoration, im part of an online forum of restorers.
22.	Don't believe anyone can help.

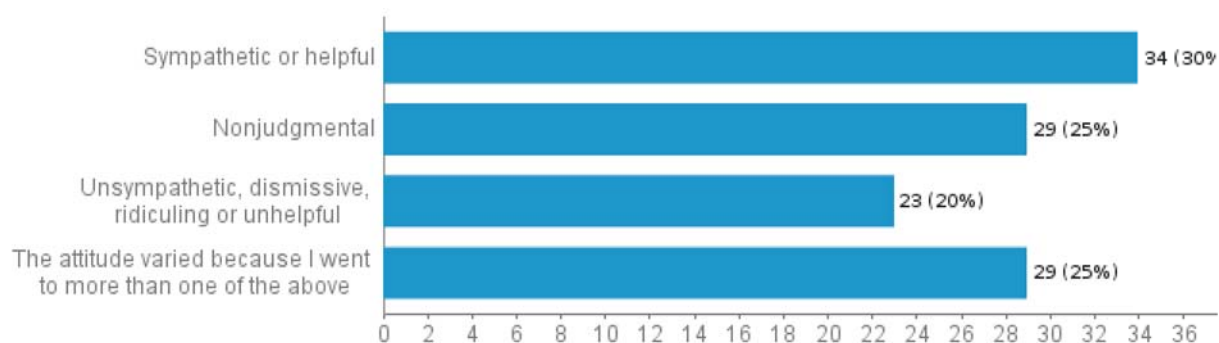
23.	Talk is cheap, and wasn't going to fix the damage.
24.	I found out about foreskin restoration, and even with the damage, my wife had always been completely supportive.
25.	Don't believe help is really available - damage was done
26.	Not sure if I could take it if they turned my plea for help down. Instead of turning to the medical profession for help, I sought help online from foreskin restoration groups.
27.	Can't afford help
28.	decided to do foreskin restoration myself
29.	Unsure
30.	erections had stopped being painful by the time I discovered that it was due to circumcision
31.	self help via internet
32.	the harm I experience is limited
33.	Because a lot of people do not understand my feelings. We live in a screwed up society.
34.	Inability/Lack of money
35.	makes me feel sick emotionally and too hard to deal with.
36.	there is nothing that can be done
37.	repairing as much as possible myself
38.	I am restoring my foreskin
39.	engaged in non-surgical foreskin restoration
40.	who could help?
41.	Can't be undone
42.	didn't know it could be helped
43.	Lack of money / expense
44.	dont feel there is anyone that could help me
45.	nothing currently available can restore my penis to its natural state - i hope foregen succeeds. i am undergoing restoration but this cannot bring back the ridged band and it takes soooo long.
46.	lack of money/medical ins.
47.	not necessary
48.	Wasn't anyone around to help me
49.	age cost
50.	I've attempted to mostly help myself.
51.	i am not angry about it, i simply try to discourage others from doing it to their infant boys
52.	they can not give it back to me
53.	did my own research
54.	nowhere to go with it. My partner is in the process of restoring his foreskin but it seems to me to be a tremendous amount of work when none of the sensation will be restored. Who knows what I will do in the future. Interestingly my partner did not allow any of his sons to be circumcised.

55.	they cannot fix what is wrong
56.	The Doctors I know support RIC.
57.	Unaware there is help
58.	No point at this stage in life
59.	It's still so accepted, doctors won't see what I have as an issue.
60.	What can be done? Until foreskin can be replaced everything is a mute effort.
61.	did foreskin restoration; don't expect medical profession to be of use at this time and place in history
62.	Foreskin restoration does not require professional help.

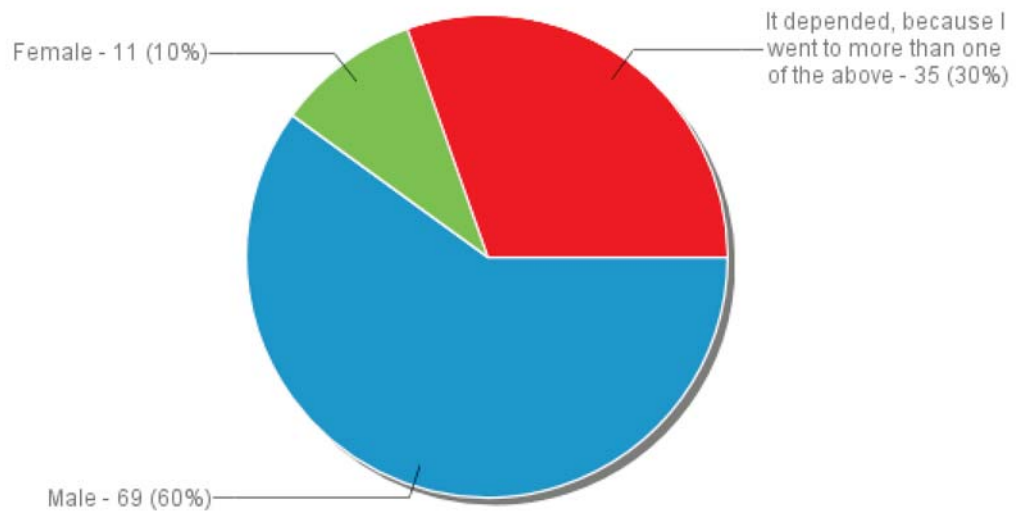
If you answered "Yes" about seeking help, what was the person's profession?

Response	Chart	Percentage	Count
General physician		37%	42
Urologist		31%	36
Plastic/reconstructive surgeon		15%	17
Sexologist		7%	8
Psychiatrist		24%	28
Psychologist		37%	42
Bodyworker		10%	11
Alternative healer		15%	17
Religious counselor		4%	5
More than one of the above		21%	24
Total Responses			115

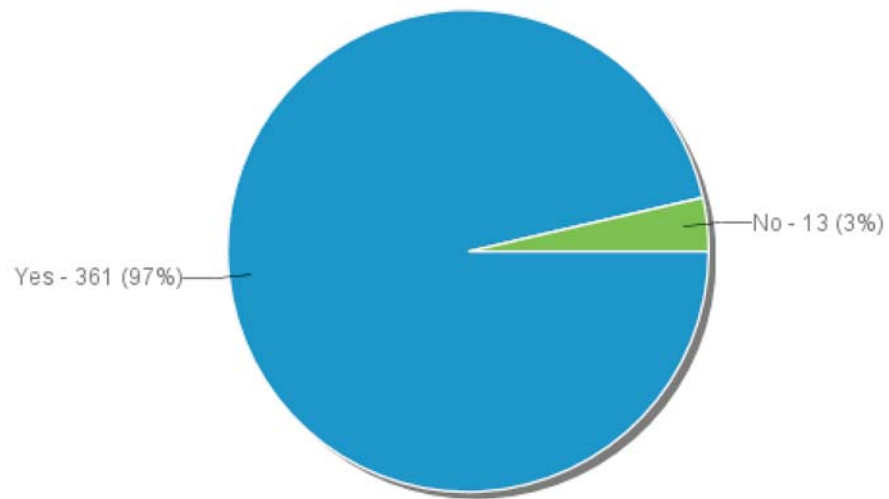
The attitude of the above professional was



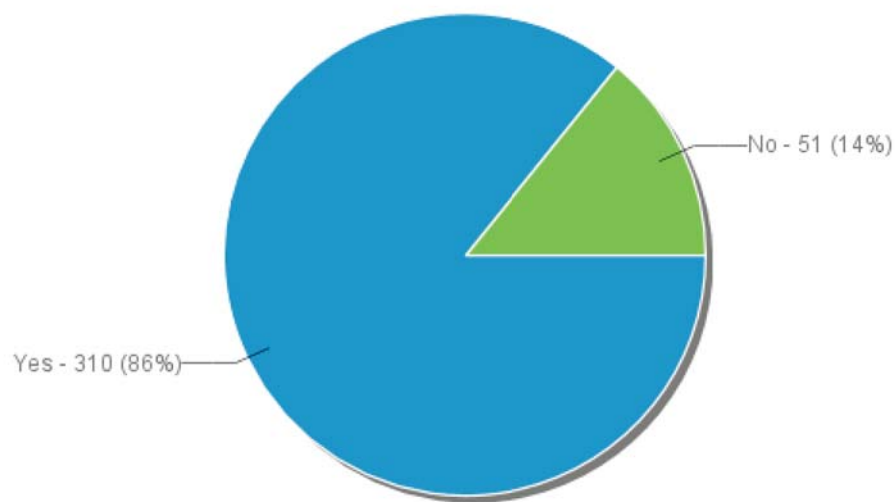
The above professional's sex was



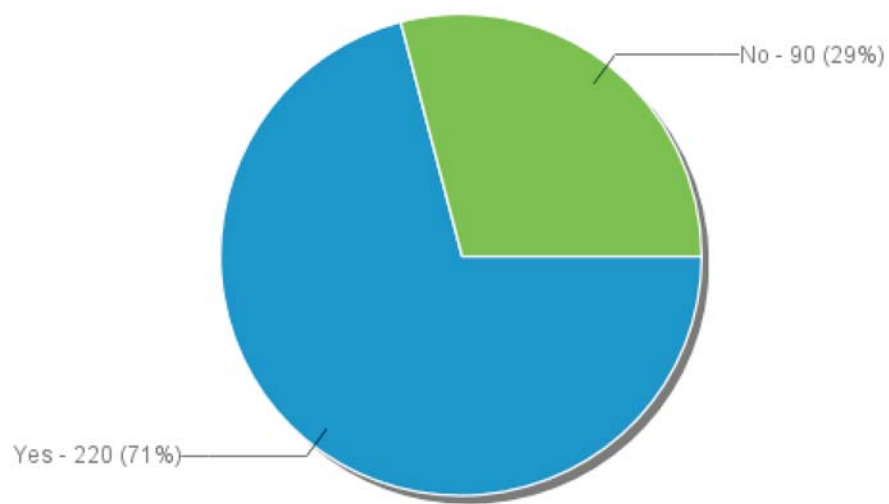
I have heard about foreskin restoration



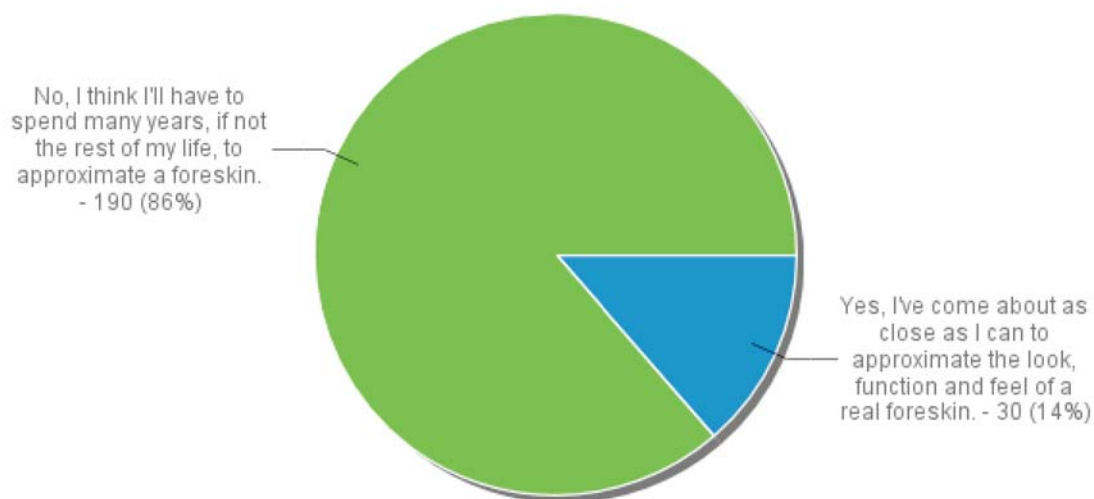
I have considered regaining my genital integrity through foreskin restoration



I am now using non-surgical methods to restore my foreskin



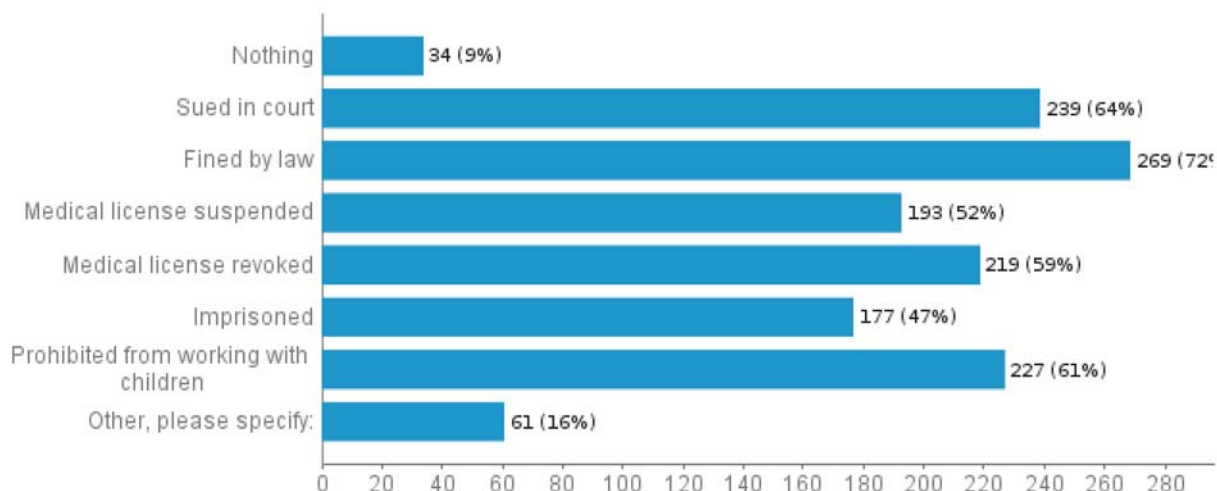
I believe I have satisfactorily completed the process of restoring my foreskin with non-surgical methods



I believe circumcising a healthy, unconsenting child creates harm by violating

Response	Chart	Percentage	Count
The prime dictum of medicine "First, Do No Harm"	<div></div>	86%	321
His basic human right to bodily integrity	<div></div>	91%	341
His right to eventual self-determination over his genitals and sexual experience	<div></div>	93%	346
His religious freedom	<div></div>	61%	228
None of the above	<div></div>	2%	9
Total Responses			374

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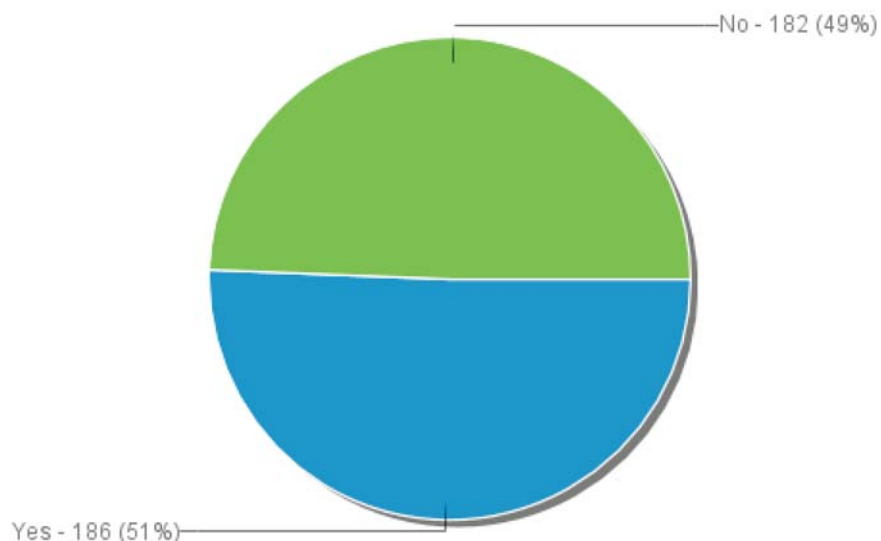
#	Response
1.	counseled about infant rights and the long term consequences of circ'
2.	award damages to victim (not retroactive)
3.	Killed
4.	Made to pay back all blood money collected
5.	Undergo unconsenting surgery to see what it feels like
6.	Parents should be heavily fined
7.	Punishable to Death!
8.	Ridiculed and distrusted by society as ANY OTHER pedophile!!!
9.	Sexual offender/predator
10.	cutting their hands off would be a good start
11.	Any other suitable retribution
12.	Death
13.	persuaded not to circumcise
14.	Registered as a Sex Offender
15.	their own genital mutilation
16.	Publicly shamed in every way
17.	psychological assessment
18.	Consideration of whether they might be abusive in other ways like my father was.
19.	If anyone were to circumcise a Dog, they would be in court, or prison in a moment for cruelty to animals. Why would you circumcise your boy if you wouldn't circumcise your dog???

20.	physical harm
21.	Their desire to sexually interfere with children publicly exposed, plus a psychiatric evaluation.
22.	Counseling
23.	Laws must change before taking action against individuals
24.	Since routine infant circumcision is so deeply ingrained in American culture, I believe that only proper education of parents about the harms and the lack of benefits from circumcision, it should be legally prohibited.
25.	permanent listing on the sex offender registry
26.	Harm Done, Prevent it from happening
27.	Non-physicians should be prosecuted for unlicensed practice of surgery.
28.	2nd offense-death by exsanguination from genital mutilation
29.	restorative circles with those harmed by circumcision
30.	Fuck off and die.
31.	full castration including hands
32.	HELP!!! I've tried to get a lawyer for over ten years!!! No one would hear me! I couldn't get a trial!! They promised me fair trial!! For ten years I've made strong attempt to get help!! I need help!!!
33.	Death penalty
34.	Strapped to a table and have their genitals sliced off with no anesthesia or pain medication
35.	Executed if proceeds to continue.
36.	The whole view on medicine needs to change (germ theory)
37.	General laws with applicable punishment for violations
38.	Monetary benefits of circumcision should be removed by legislators, insurance agencies
39.	made illegal
40.	That person should be publicly harnessed and jogging behind a slow moving vehicle wearing only a diaper after having been fed laxatives and water
41.	Required to discuss with the patient or parents in detail the risks and medical counterindications for routine circumcision in the absence of a defined and serious medical reason for the procedure.
42.	death, and keep killing them until an example is set - okay, i don't actually believe this, but fantasize about it a lot
43.	To be decided by legal professionals in line with Human Rights law.
44.	education
45.	Education on anti circumcision
46.	any one attempting the procedure without a medical license should be prosecuted for bodily harm/assault
47.	Prosecution of both medical and non-medical personnel, i.e., Tim Tebow, on assault charges.
48.	barred from ever having children again
49.	given proper knowledge about the harm caused by routine medical circumcision so it can be stopped.
50.	It just should be outlawed for anyone unable to make the decision for themself
51.	some way to stop untrained persons from performing surgery

52.	I believe we need to educate parents and the public in general about the harm done by circumcision and the complete lack of necessity for this abhorrent practice.
53.	Total Confiscation of Assets and then the Death Penalty. Assets to the Victim!
54.	executed
55.	I believe they should be better Educated
56.	Education, dialgue, persuasion. I think that someone who has had this done does have the right to take up the lack of informed consent issue in court, though..
57.	I wish circumcision was illegal just as females are given the same protection by law in this country
58.	Depends on the circumstances, for RIC , Licence suspension may help however I believe the best method to stop RIC is to educate the parents.
59.	Drawn and quartered
60.	should be educated
61.	death for the irreparable harm caused to both men and women.
62.	this is a very complex issue; my ideal answer would be "whatever would best prevent future circumcision"

"Other" responses included:

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