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**Introduction**

This document constitutes an addendum to the report prepared by the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA) for the Benedict XVI Institute at the Newman Theological College (BXVII). The purpose of the report is to compile information about men ordained to priesthood in Canada, in 2021 and 2022. The findings from the study aim to help Catholic faithful witness the dedicated, faith-filled men responding courageously to the Lord's call to priesthood.

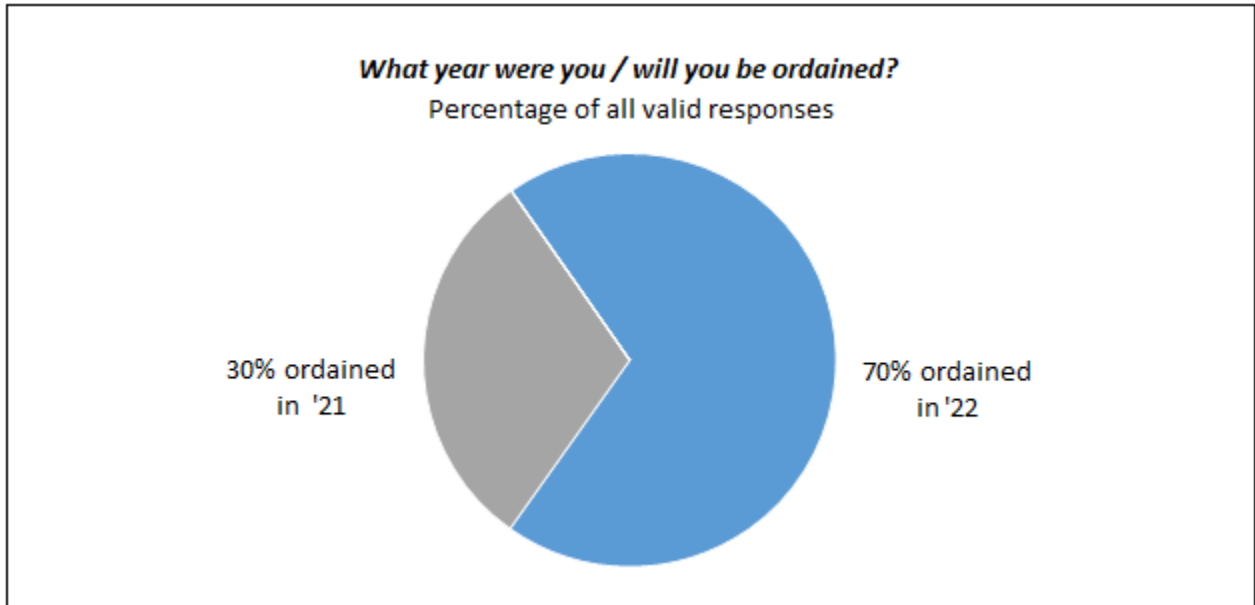
The study is based on a survey of ordinands to priesthood in Canada in 2021 and 2022, which was carried out between April and August 2022. Out of 26 ordinands invited to participate, 23 responded to the survey for a final response rate of 89%. The Margin of Error at 95% CL is  $\pm 7\%$ .

The original report is based on 19 responses. After the completion of that original report, four more ordinands responded to the survey. This addendum replicates each of 34 tables and charts in the original report updated to include those four new responses.

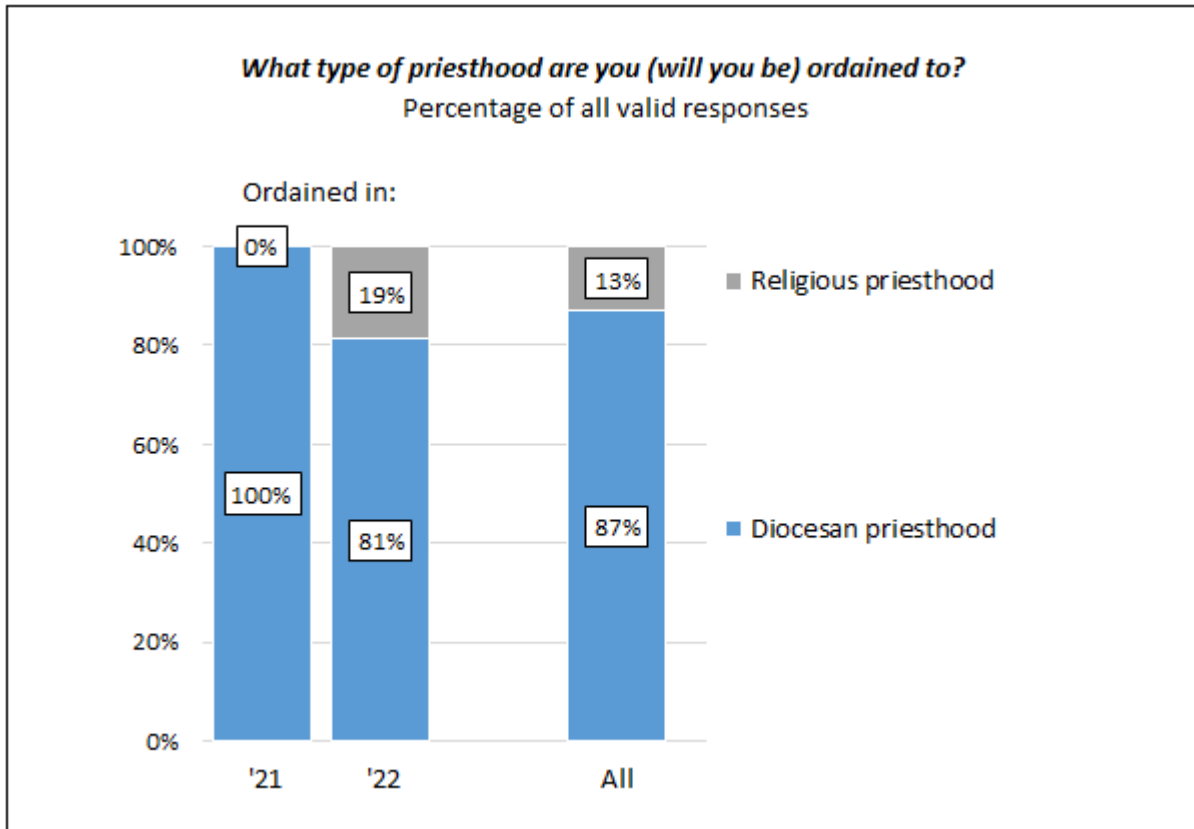
As compared to the original report, this addendum does not include the executive summary of key research findings, extended introduction, description of findings from open ended questions, text description of findings presented in charts and tables, original questionnaire with response frequencies, and appendix on methodology.

## Part I: General Information

### Year of Ordination



## Type of Priesthood



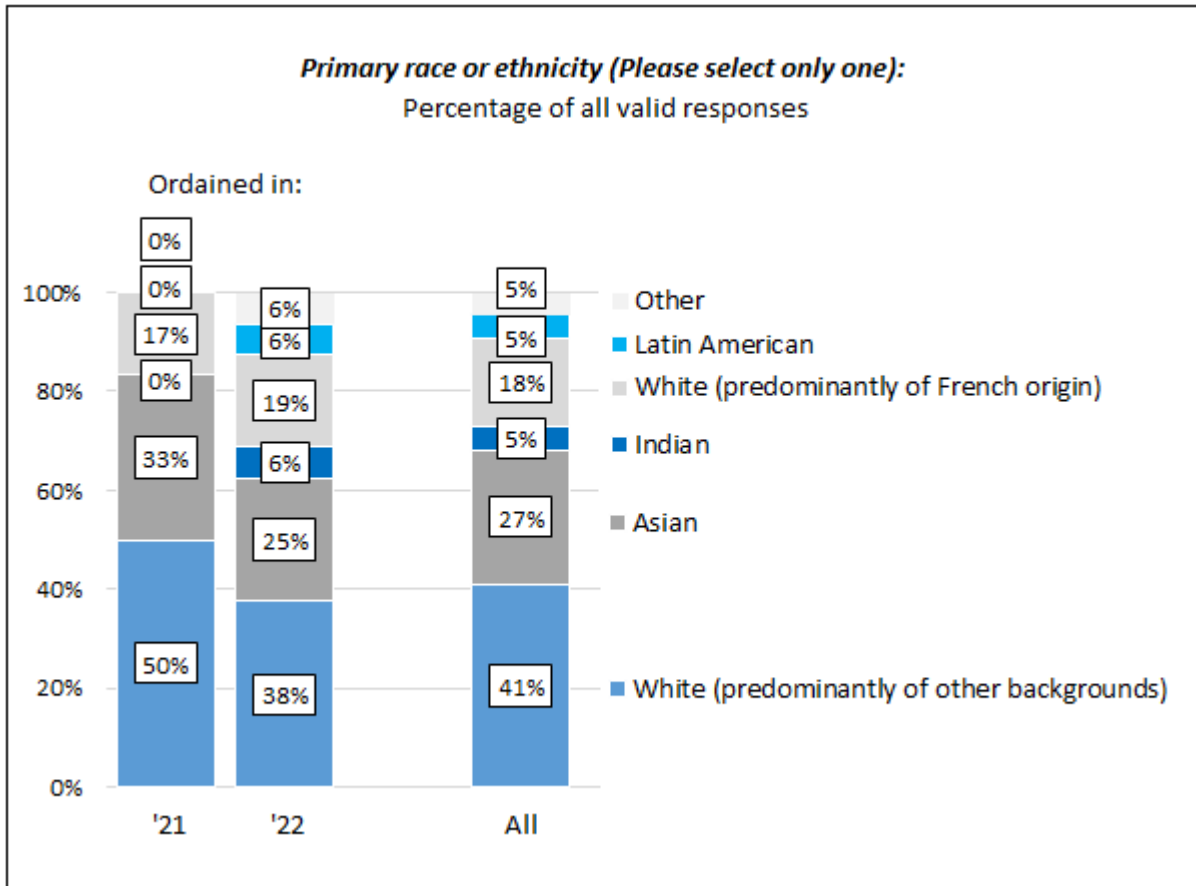


***Which diocese or eparchy are you ordained to?***

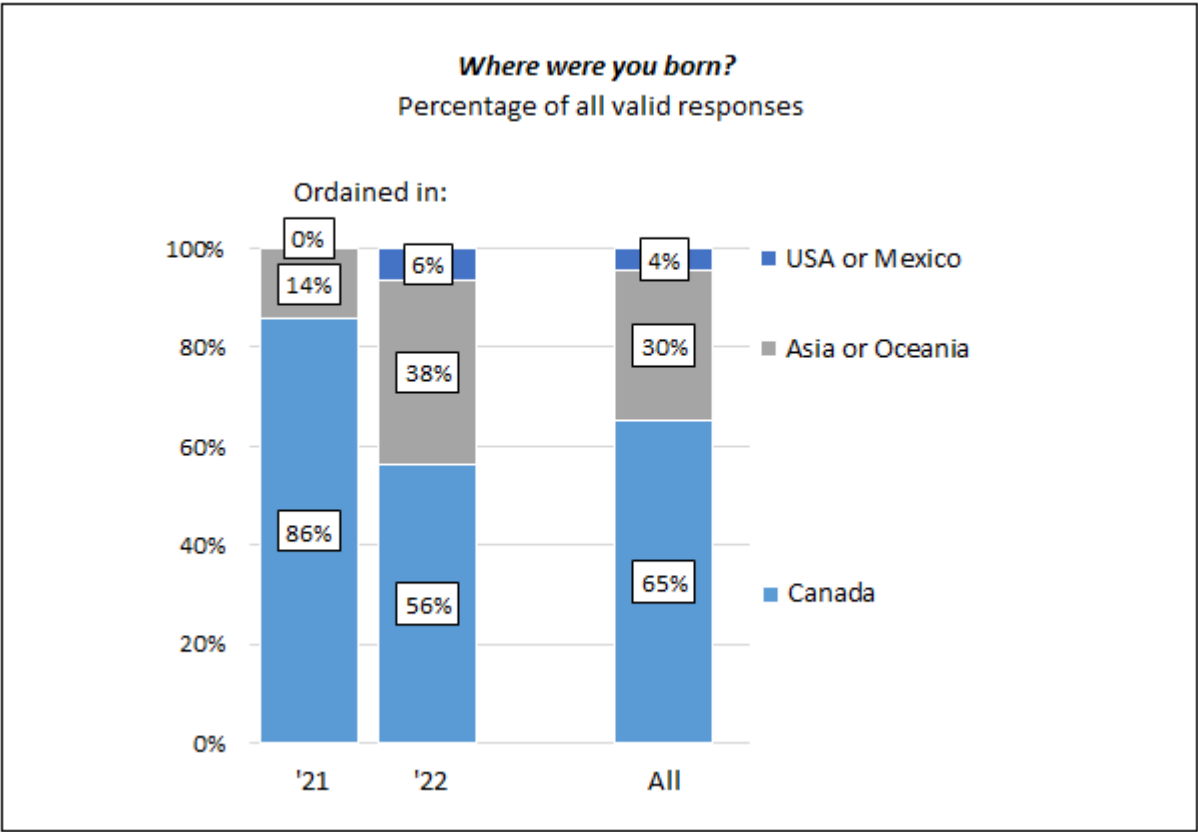
	<b>Ordained in:</b>		<b>Altogether</b>
	<b>'21</b>	<b>'22</b>	<b>↓</b>
	<b>[#]</b>	<b>[#]</b>	<b>[#]</b>
Toronto (Archdiocese), Ontario	3	4	7
Ottawa-Cornwall (Archdiocese), Ontario	0	2	2
Saint-Boniface (Archdiocese), Manitoba	0	2	2
Peterborough (Diocese), Ontario	0	1	1
Saint Catharines (Diocese), Ontario	0	1	1
Vancouver (Archdiocese), British Columbia	1	0	1
Charlottetown (Diocese), Prince Edward Island	1	0	1
Halifax-Yarmouth (Archdiocese), Nova Scotia	1	0	1
Kingston (Archdiocese), Ontario	0	1	1
Regina (Archdiocese), Saskatchewan	1	0	1
Prince-Albert (Diocese), Saskatchewan	0	1	1
Edmonton (Archdiocese), Alberta	0	1	1

## Part II: Race/Ethnicity, Cultural Background, and Age

### Race and Ethnicity



Country of Birth

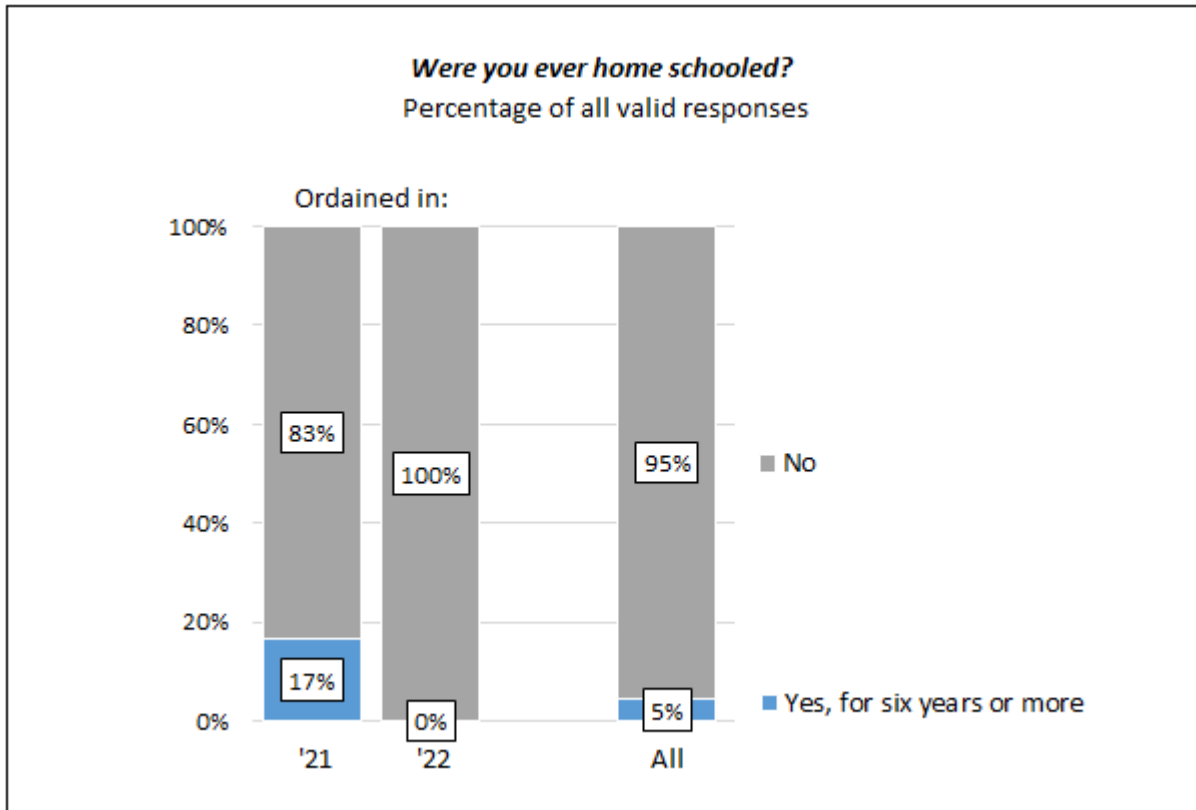


## Age

<i>At what age were you / did you ...</i>			
All responses			
	<b>Mean</b>	<b>Median</b>	<b>Range</b>
	<b>[years]</b>	<b>[years]</b>	<b>[years]</b>
Ordained	35	32	28 - 57
First entered the novitiate of their institute or society*	29	26	24 - 36
Enter seminary	27	24	18 - 50
Moved to Canada*	25	27	9 - 39
First considered vocation to priesthood	21	19	13 - 34
Moved to current diocese*	21	21	2 - 39
First met the members of their institute or society*	18	23	6 - 25

## Part III: Education

### Home Schooling

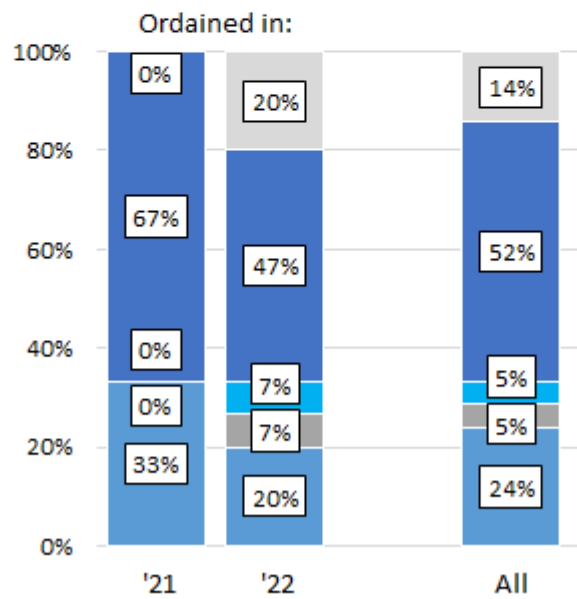


## Highest Level of Education before Seminary

***What is the highest level of education you completed before entering the seminary?***

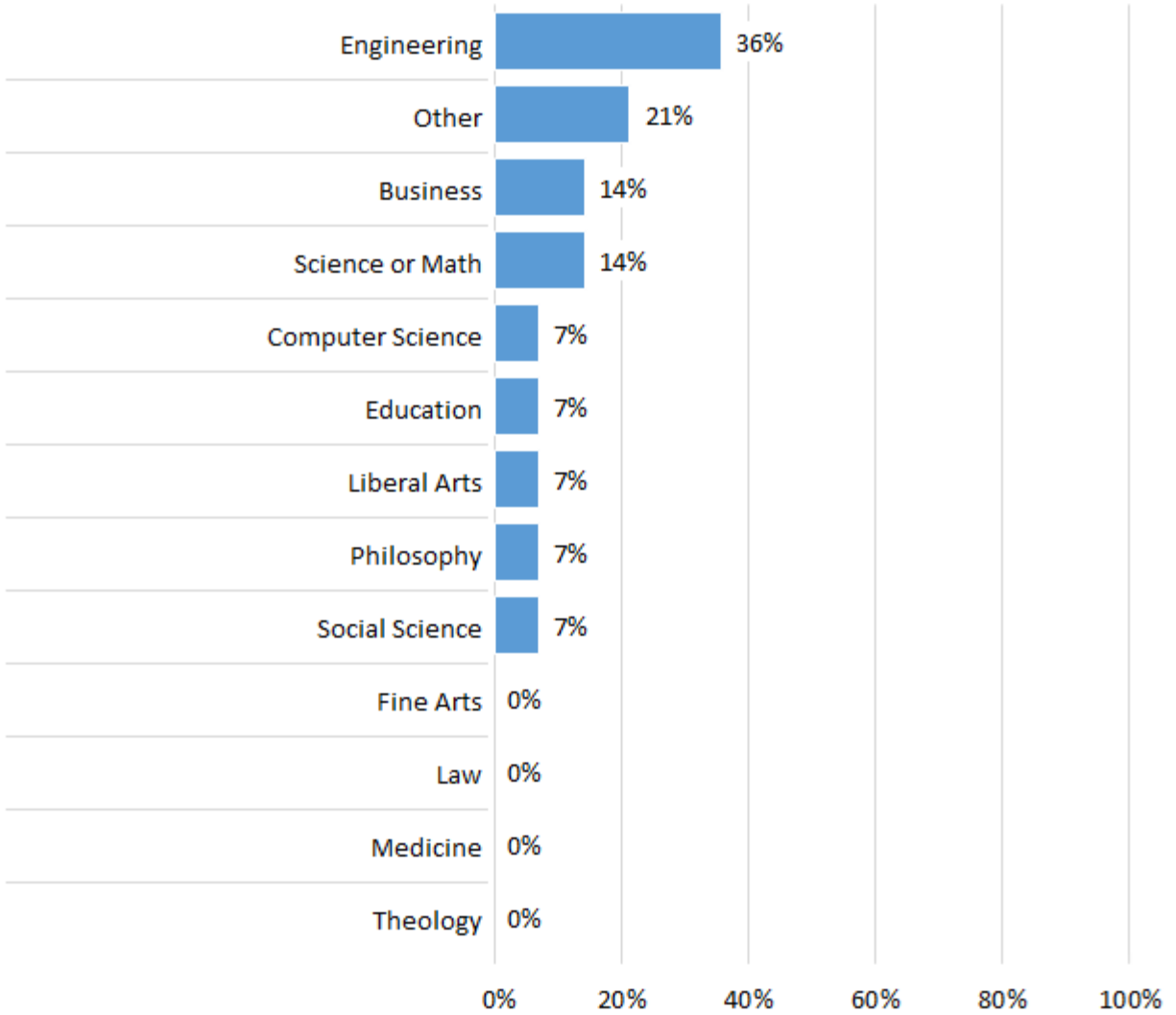
Percentage of all valid responses

- University graduate degree
- University undergraduate degree
- Community/Technical College, CEGEP or other non-university certificate or diploma
- Registered Apprenticeship, Trade certificate or other Trades diploma
- Secondary School diploma or equivalency certificate



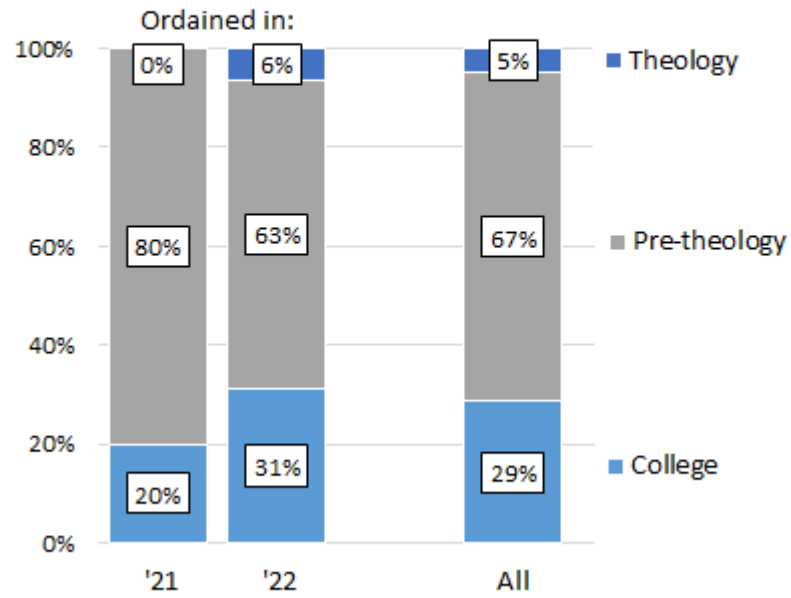
***If you attended undergraduate or graduate school before entering the seminary, what was your field of study?***

Percentage of respondents who attended under/graduate school



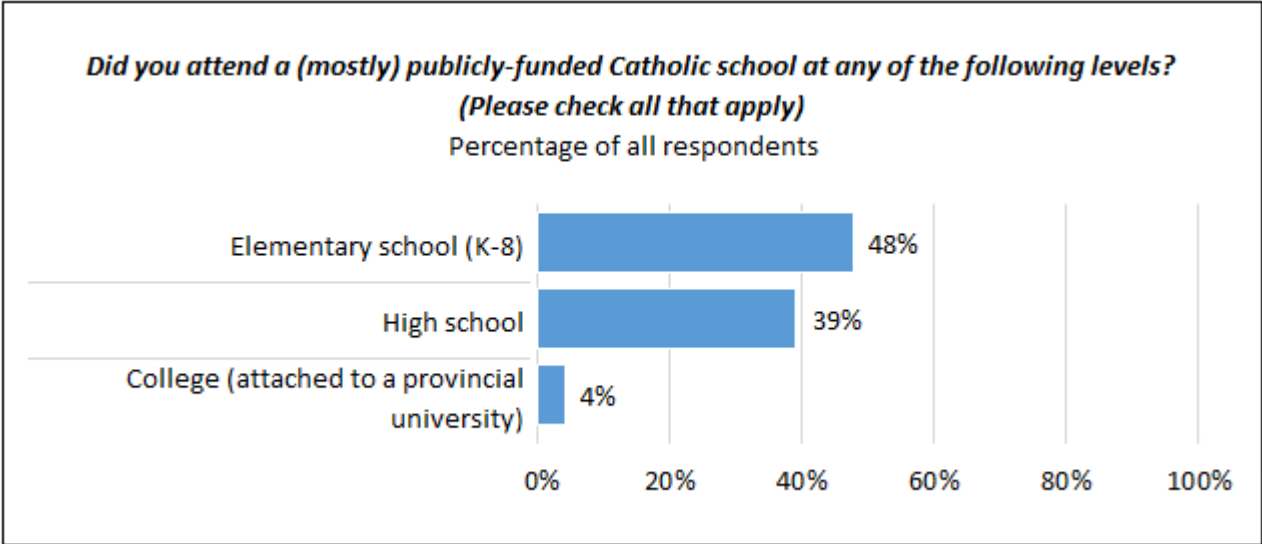
**At what level did you first enter a seminary program?**

Percentage of all valid responses



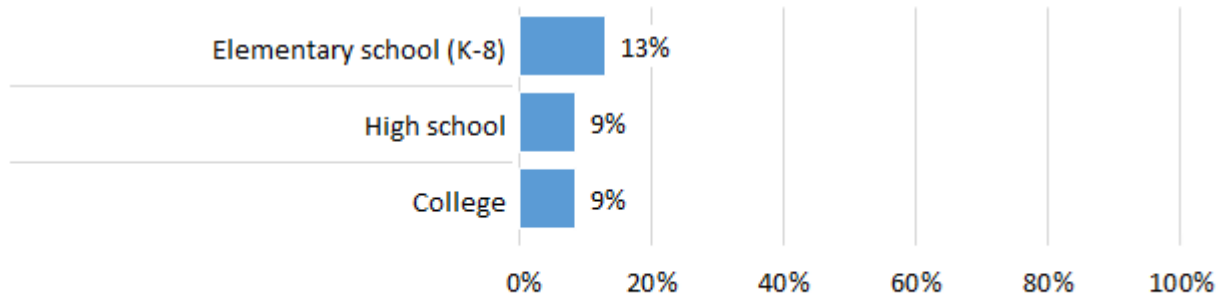


**Formal Catholic Education**

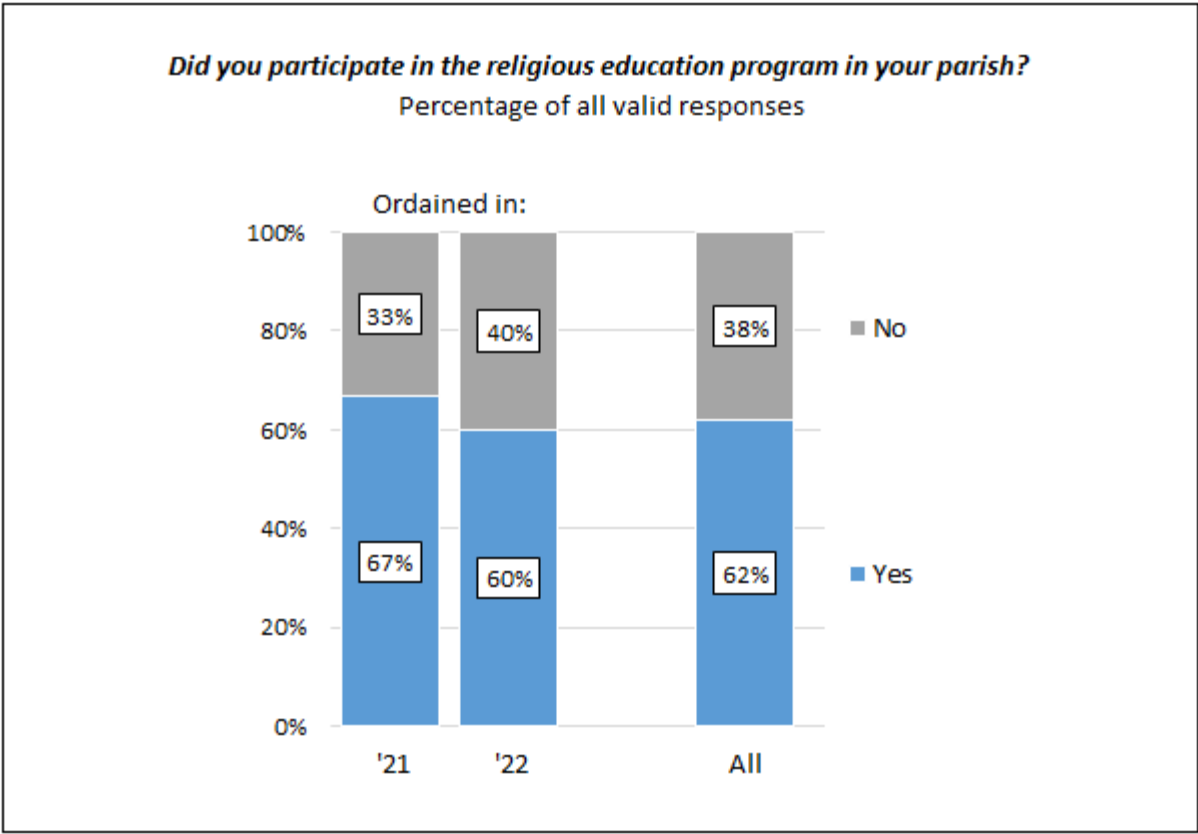


***Did you attend a (mostly) privately-funded Catholic school at any of the following levels?  
(Please check all that apply)***

Percentage of all respondents

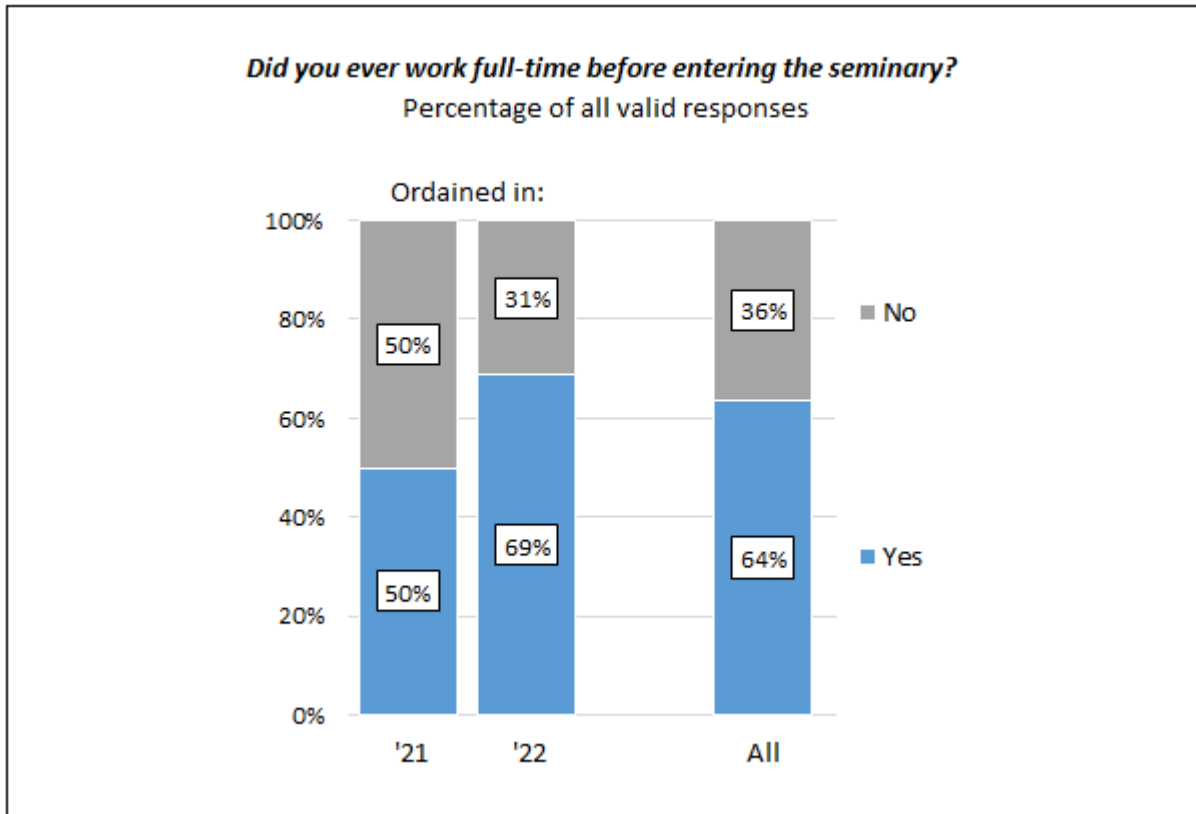


**Parish Catholic Religious Education**



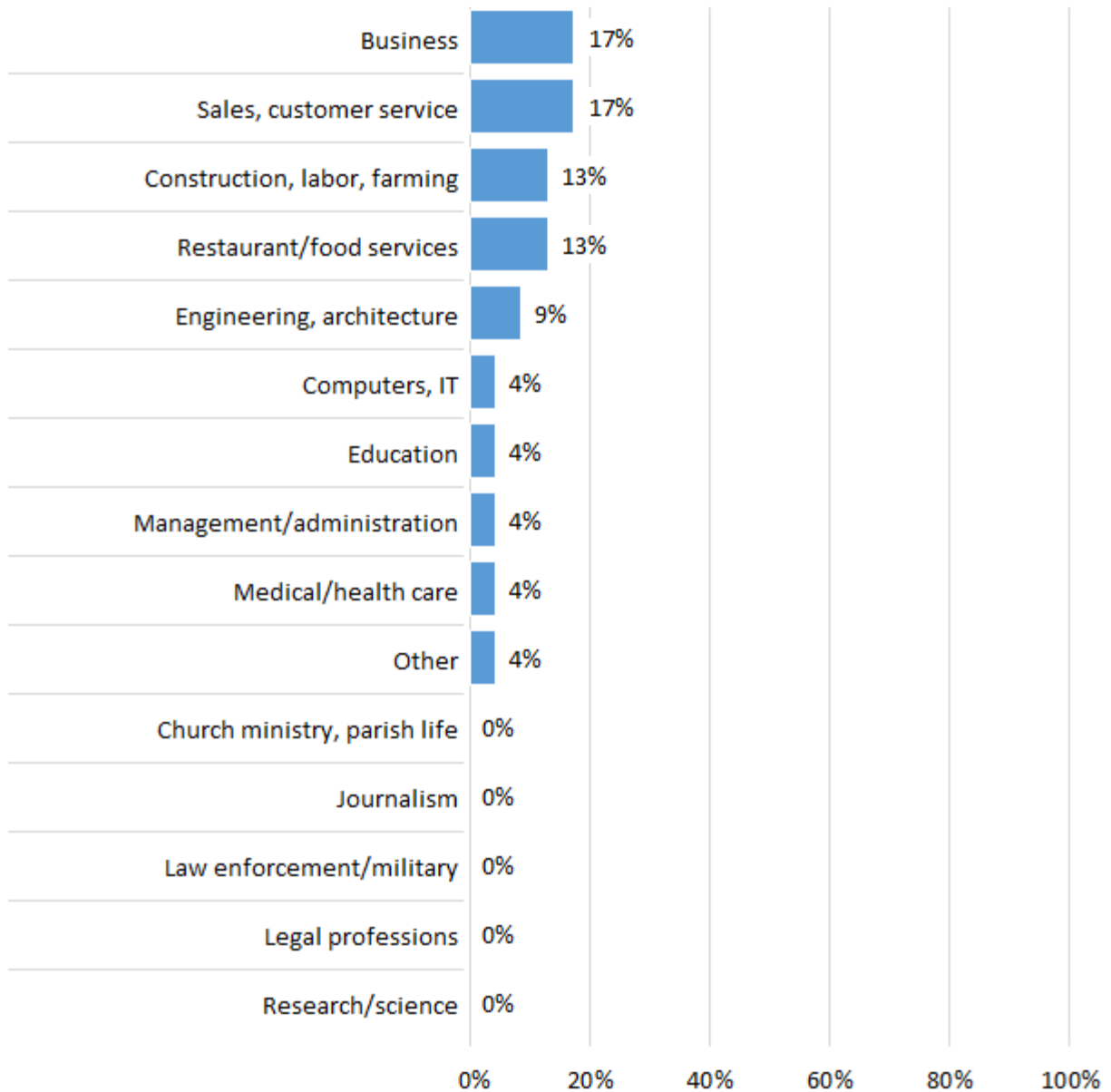
## Part IV: Work

### Employment Background

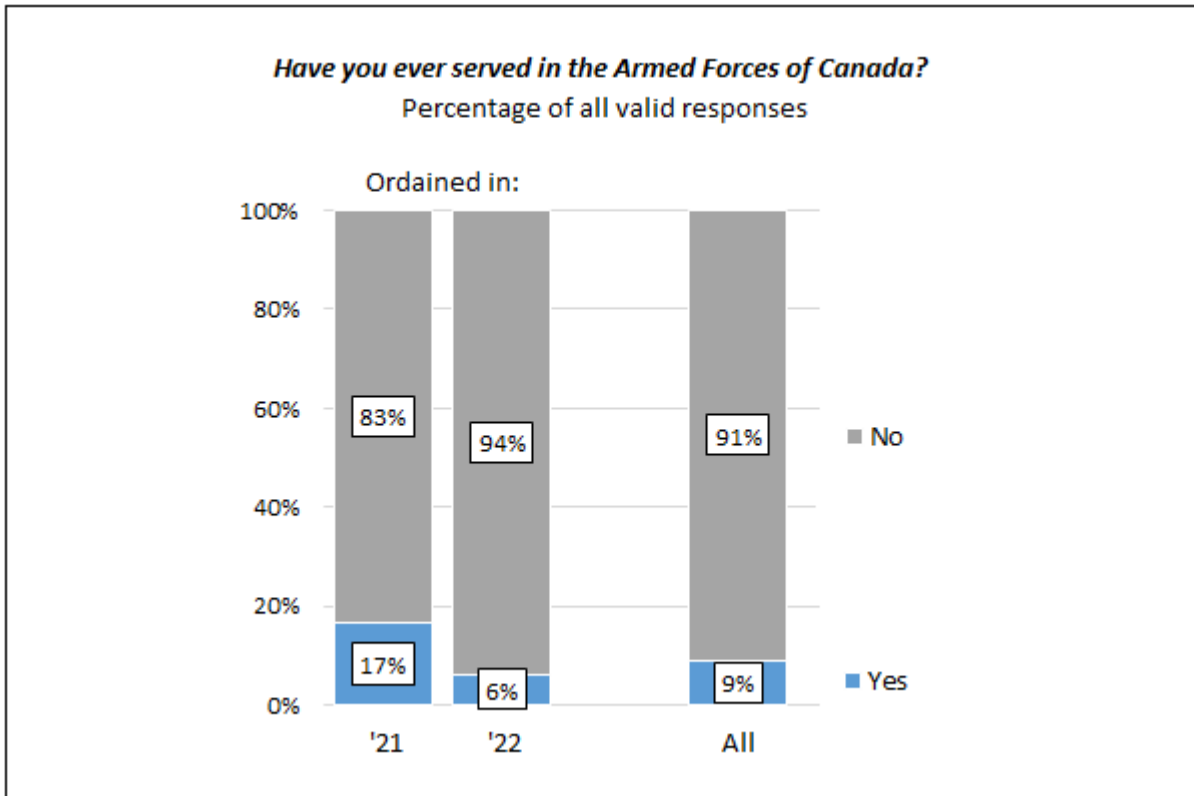


**What was your main full-time work experience prior to entering the seminary, if any?**

Percentage of all respondents

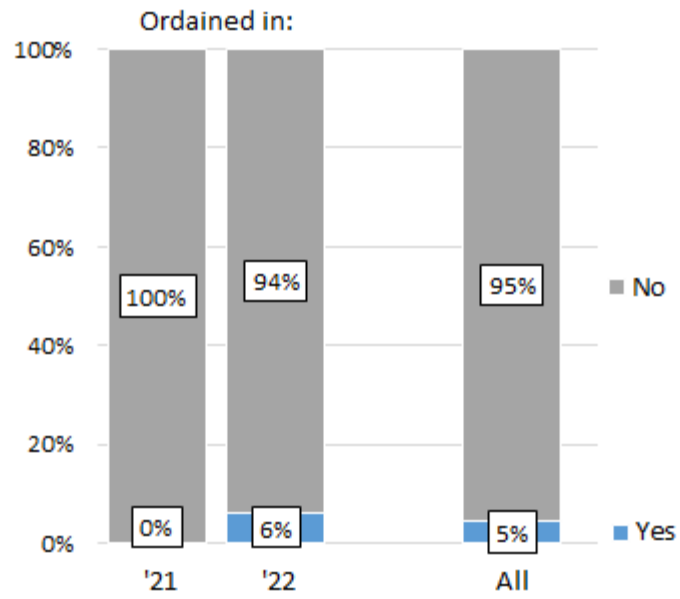


## Military Background



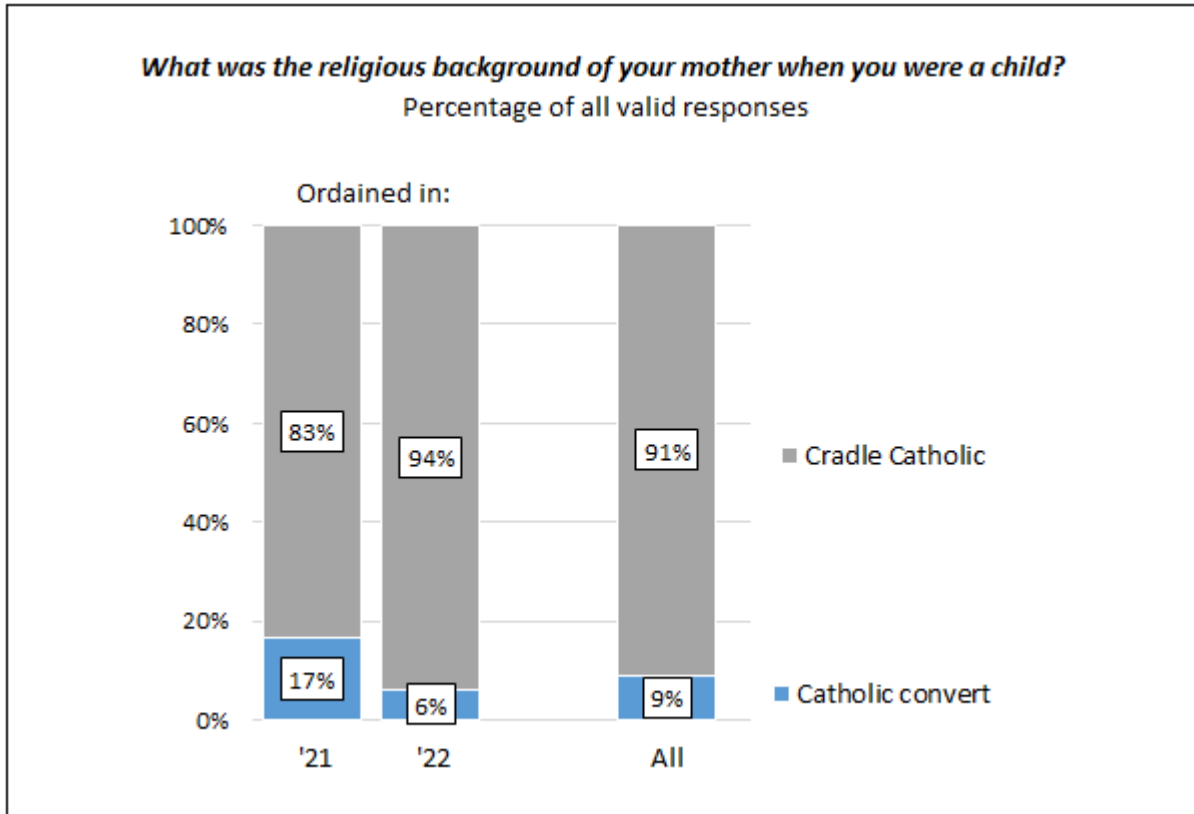
***Did either of your parents have a military career in the Armed Forces of Canada?***

Percentage of all valid responses



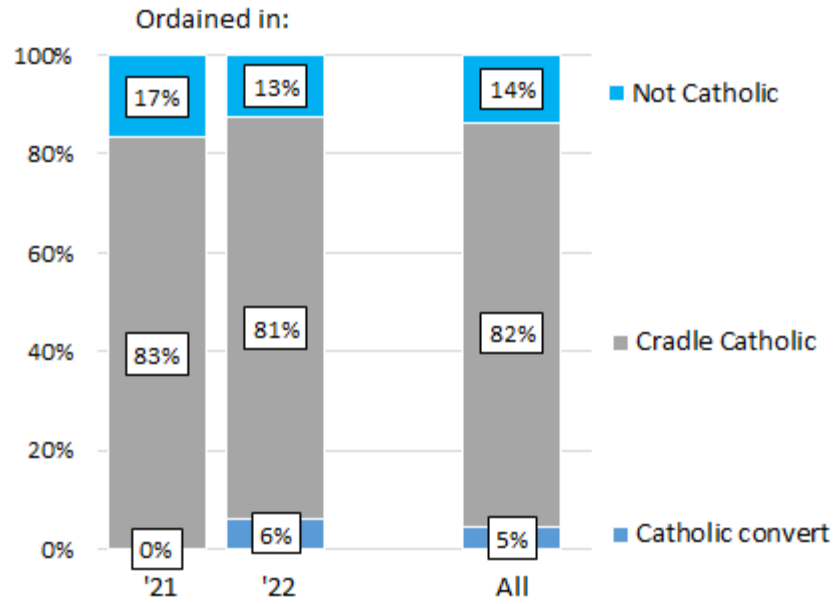
## Part V: Childhood

### Family Religious Background

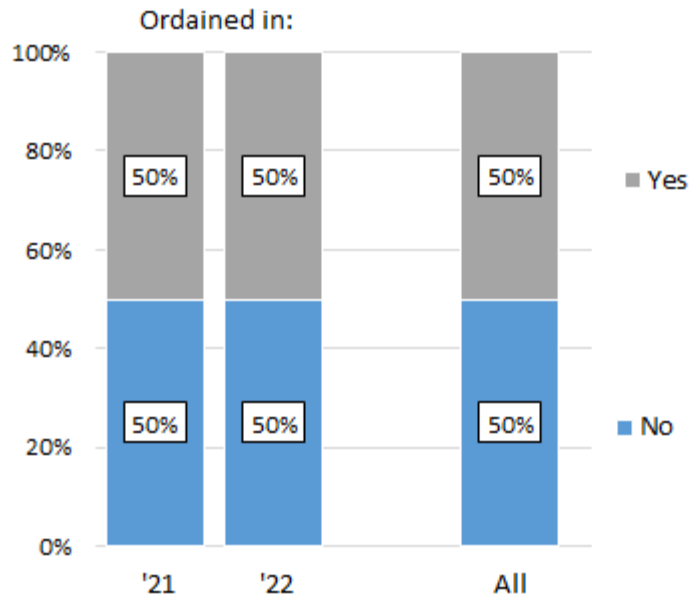




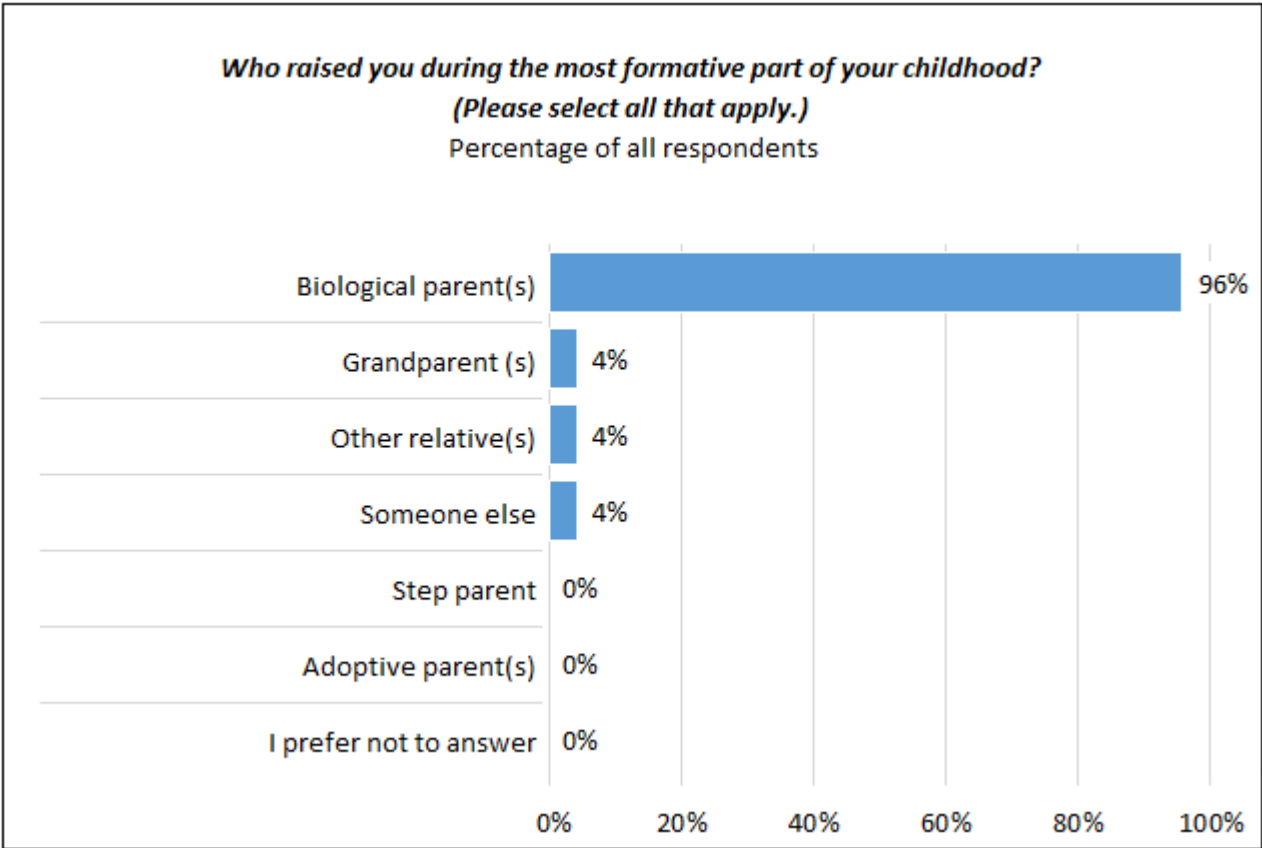
**What was the religious background of your father when you were a child?**  
Percentage of all valid responses



***Do (did) you have a relative who is a priest or a religious?***  
Percentage of all valid responses

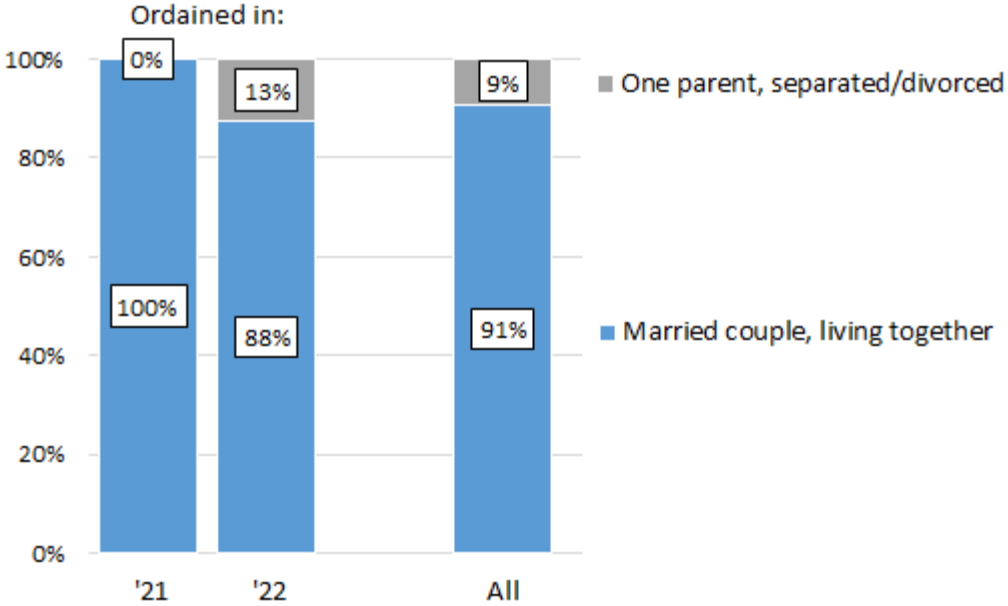


Caretakers during Childhood

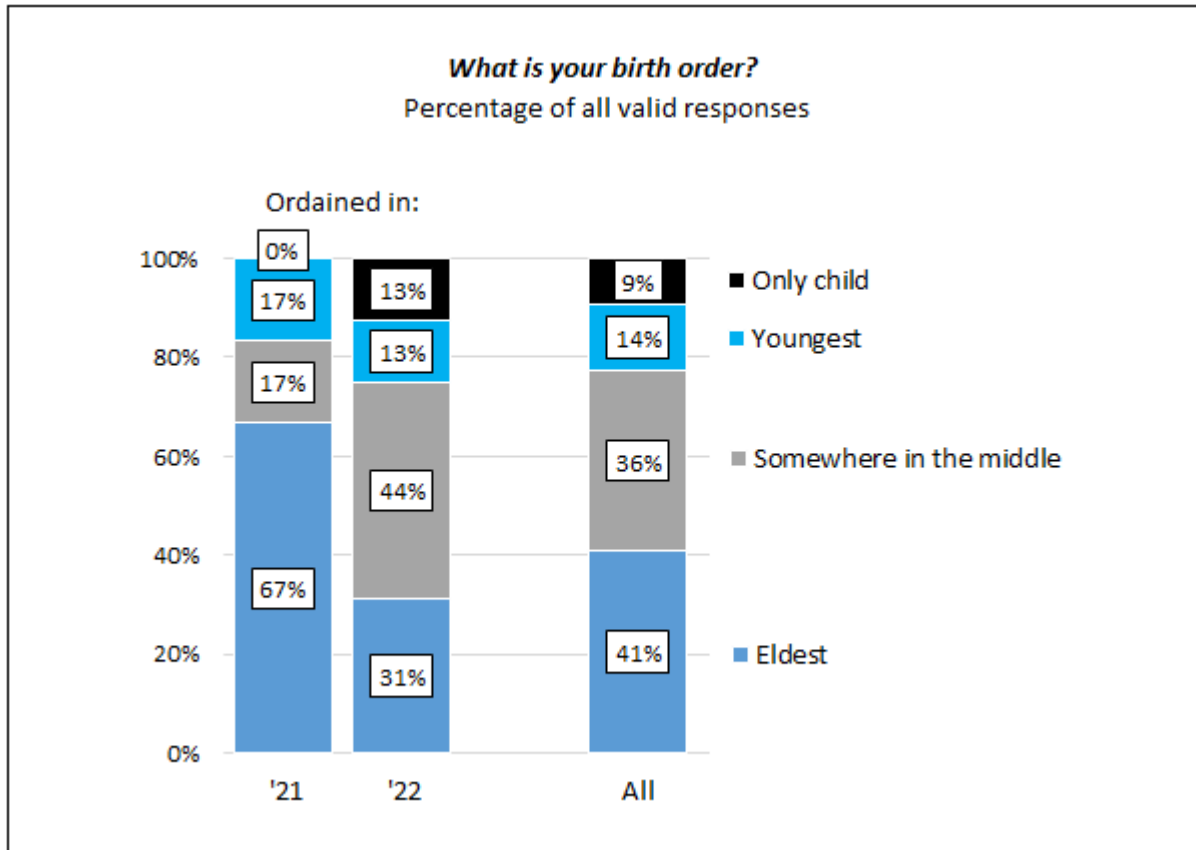


**During the most formative part of your childhood, were you raised by:**

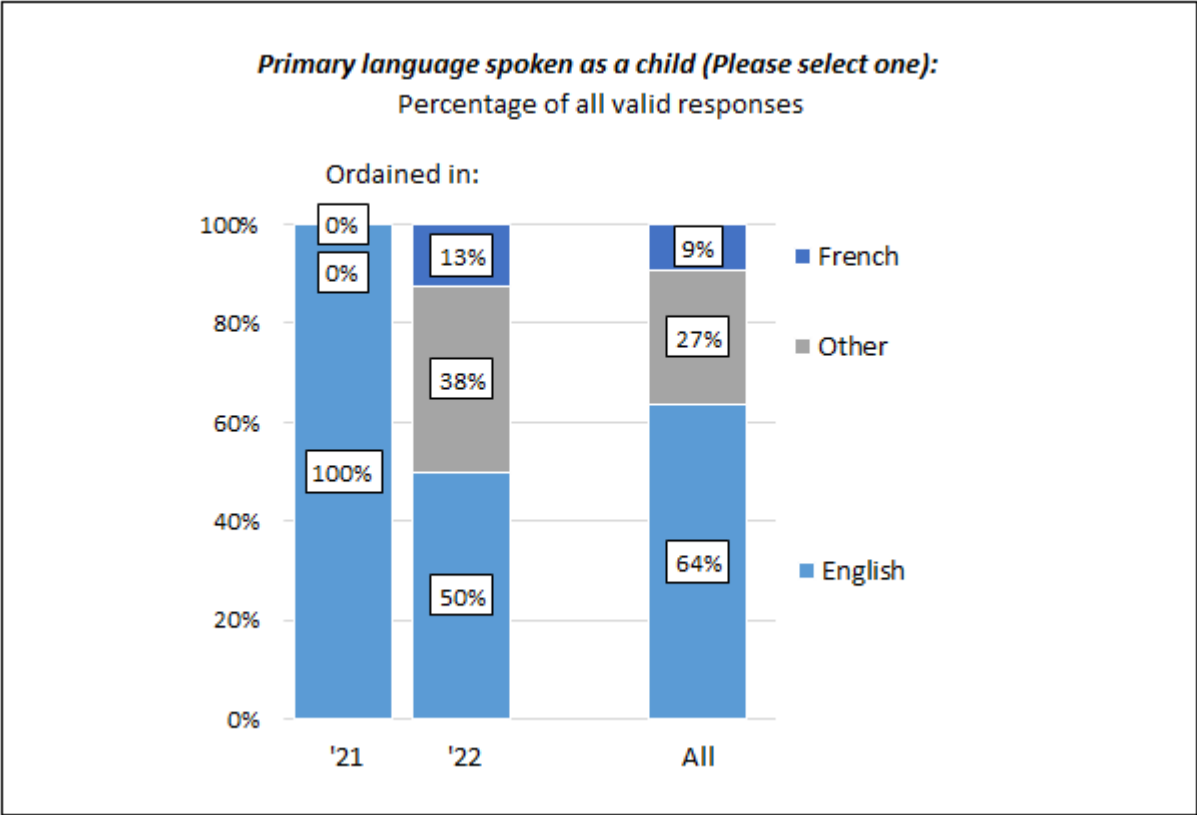
Percentage of all valid responses



## Siblings and Birth Order

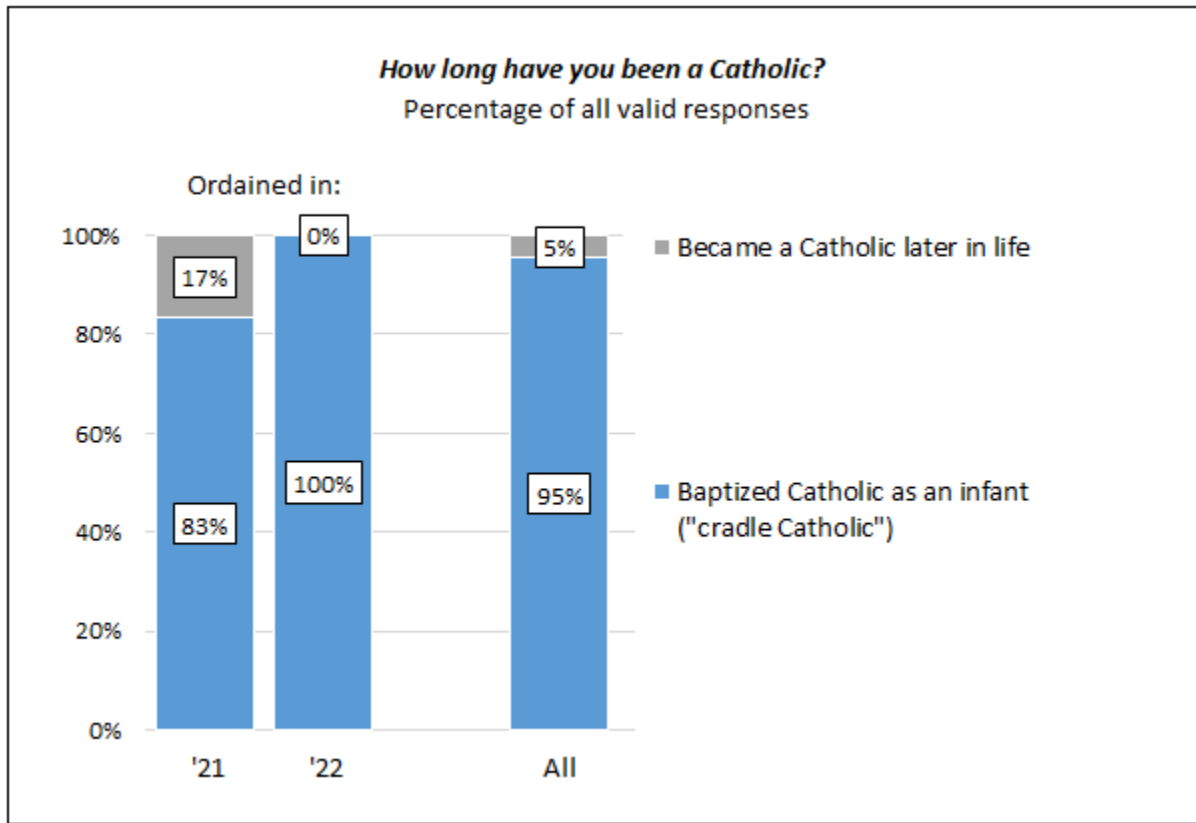


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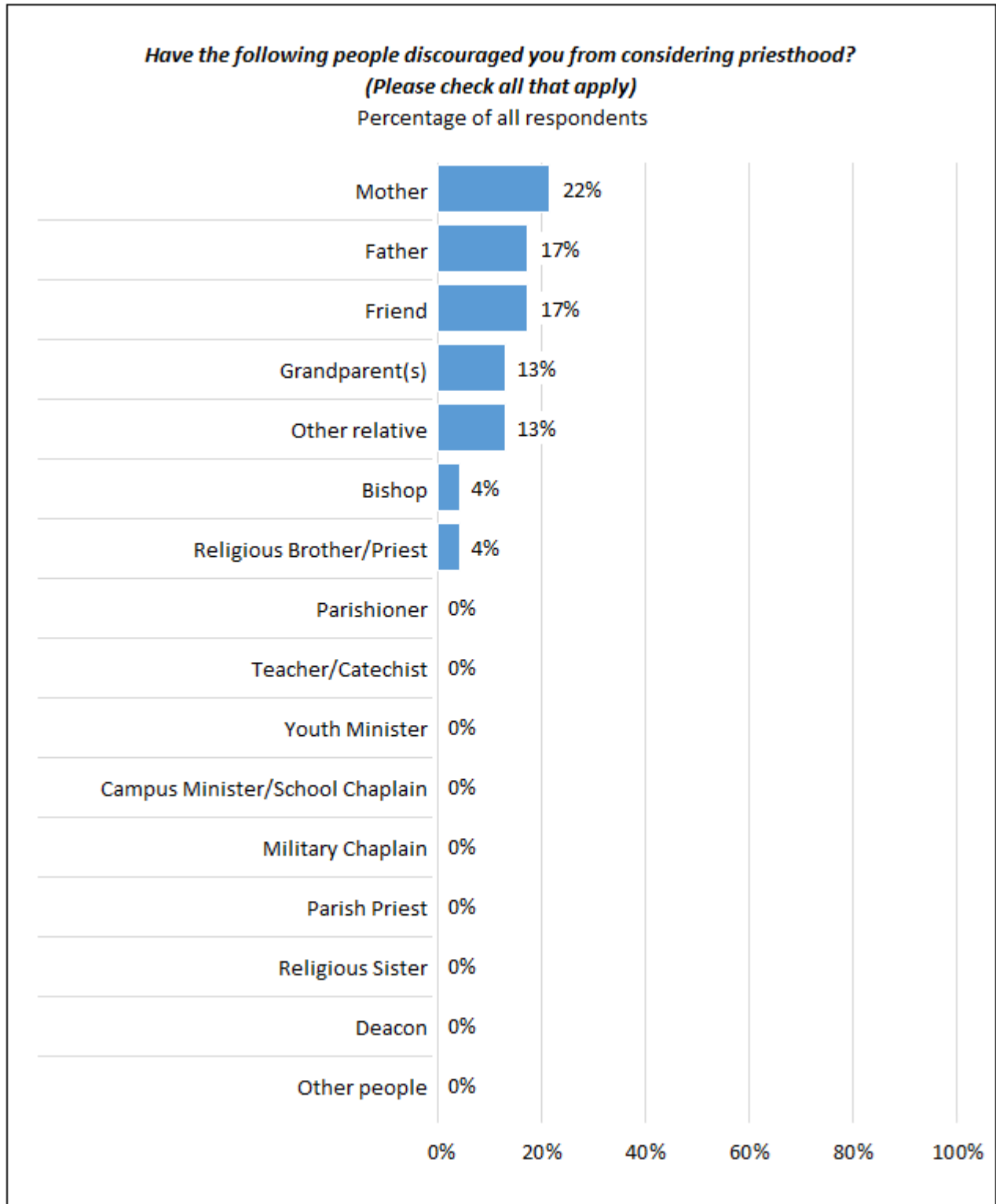


## Part VI: Vocational Discernment

### Religious Affiliation



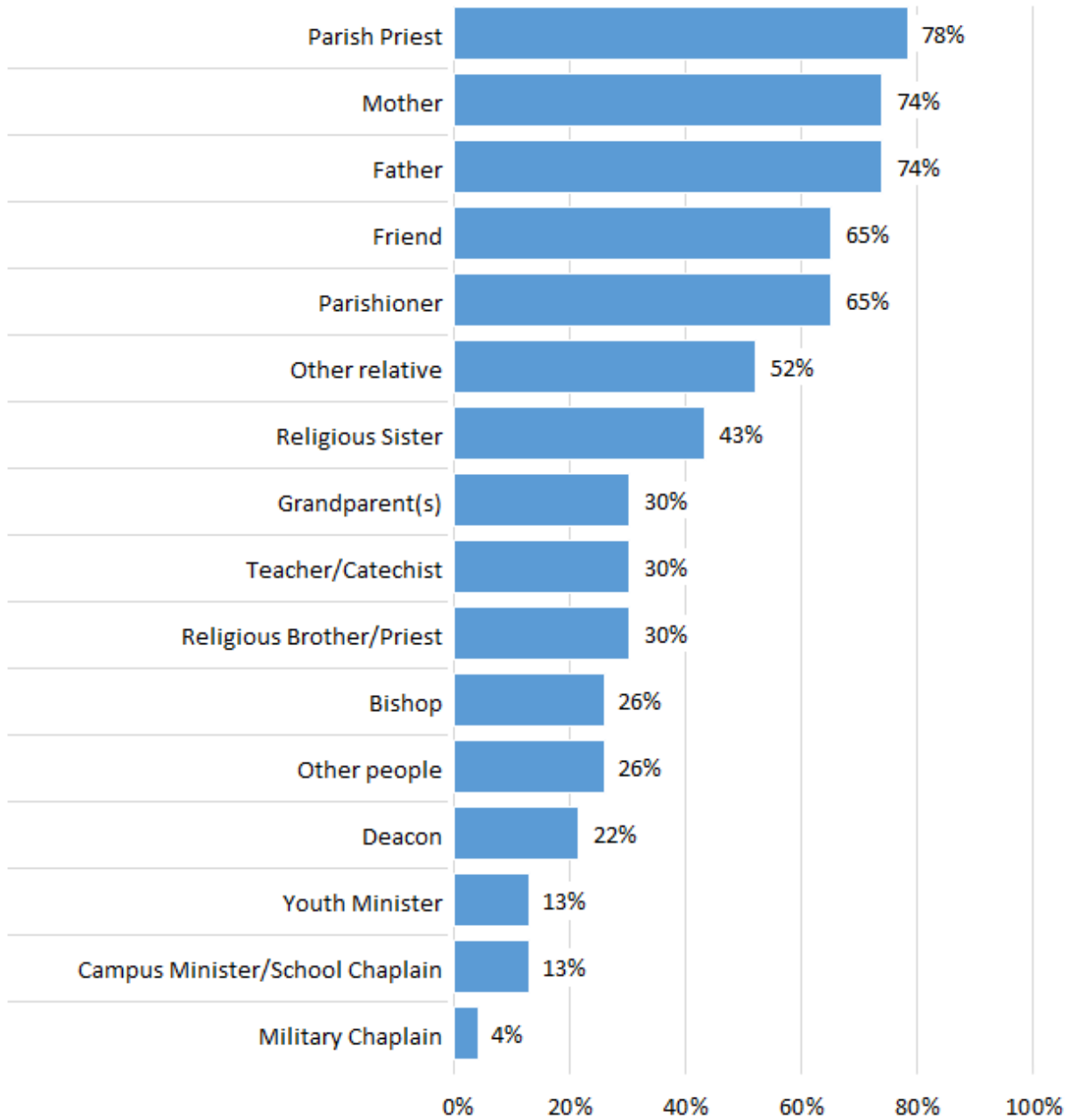
## Influence of Others





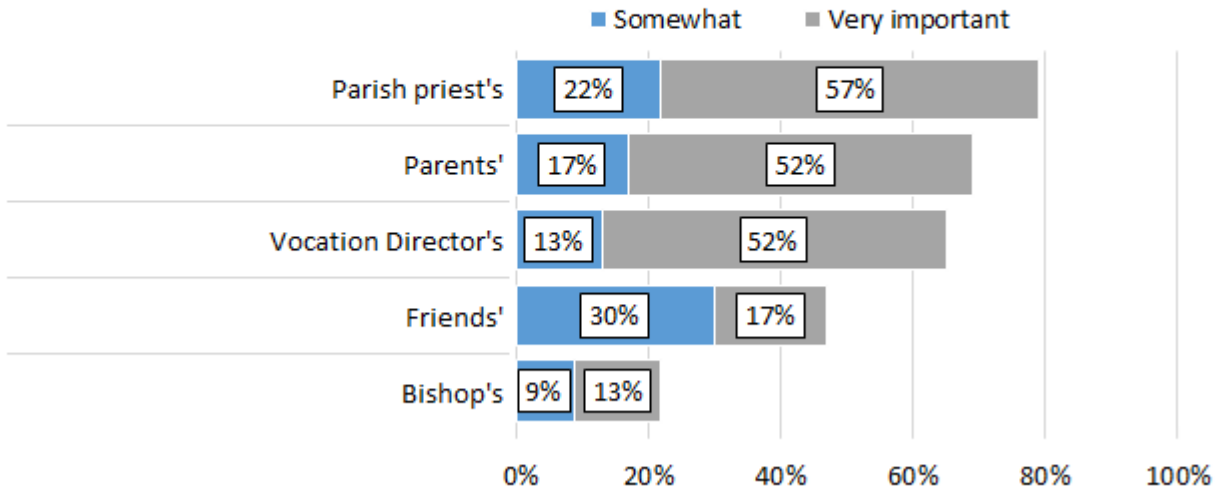
***Have the following people encouraged you to consider priesthood?  
(Please check all that apply)***

Percentage of all respondents

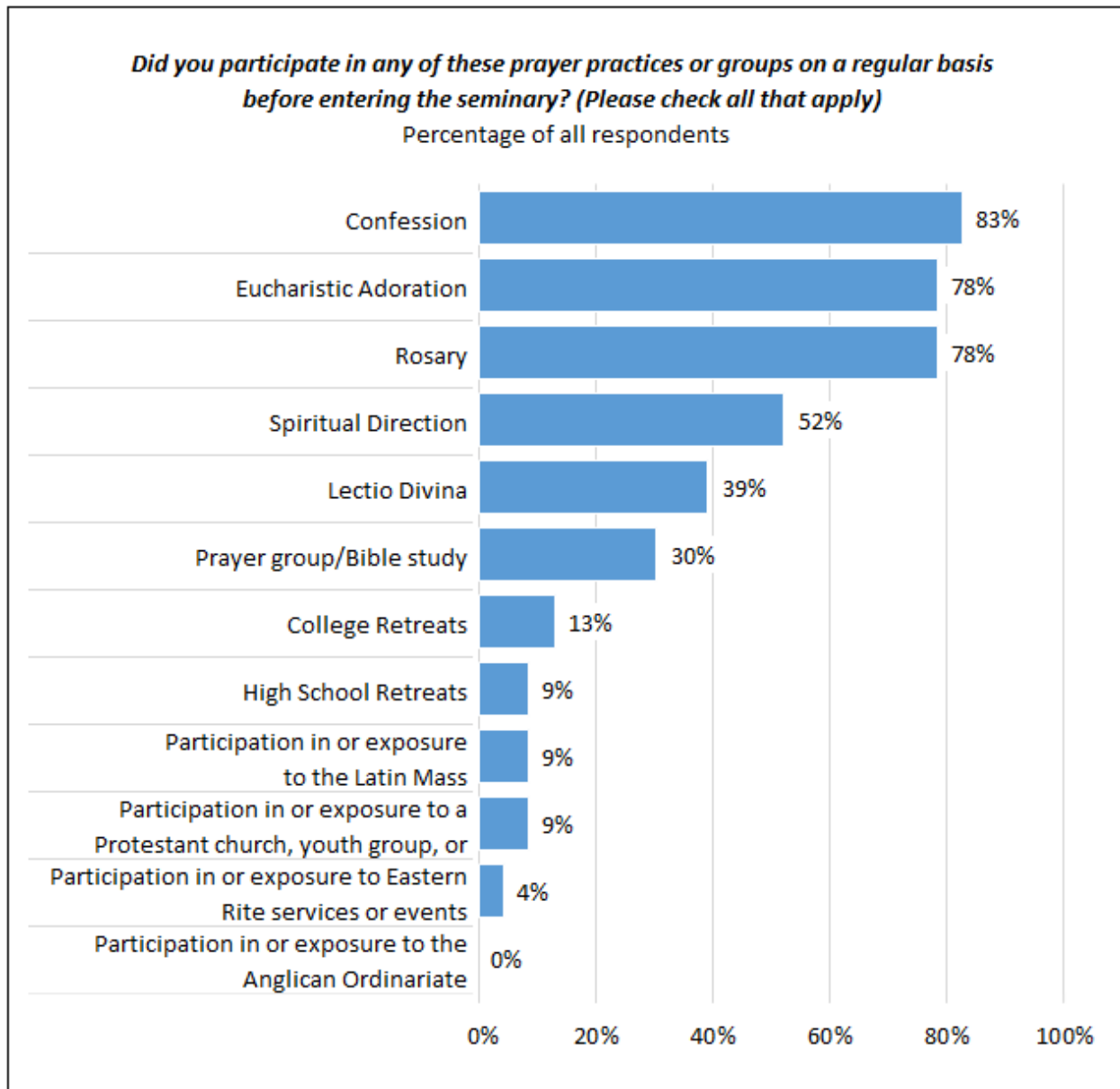


***How important was your ... encouragement, example, or friendship to you as you considered whether to enter the seminary?***

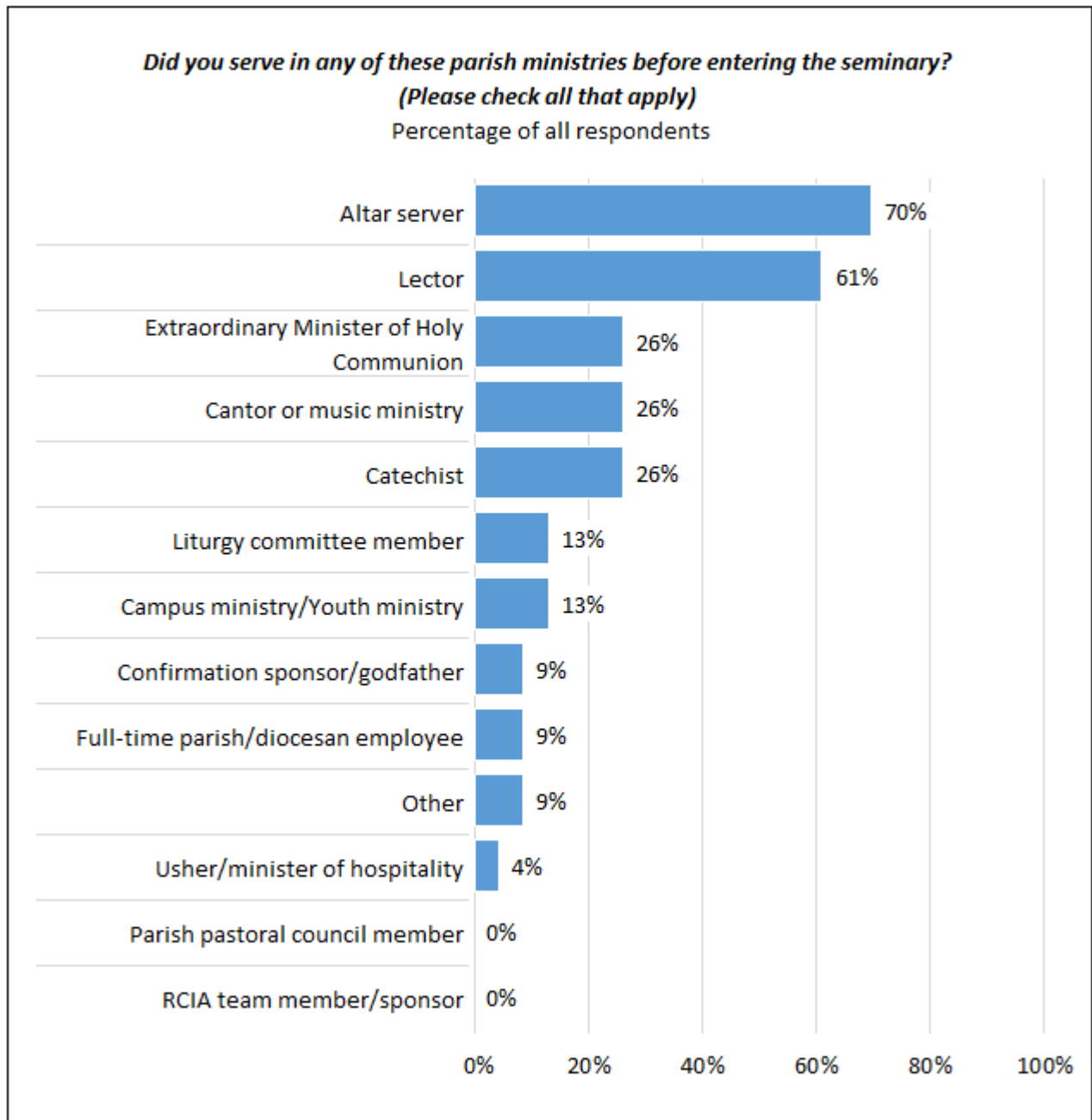
Percentage of all respondents



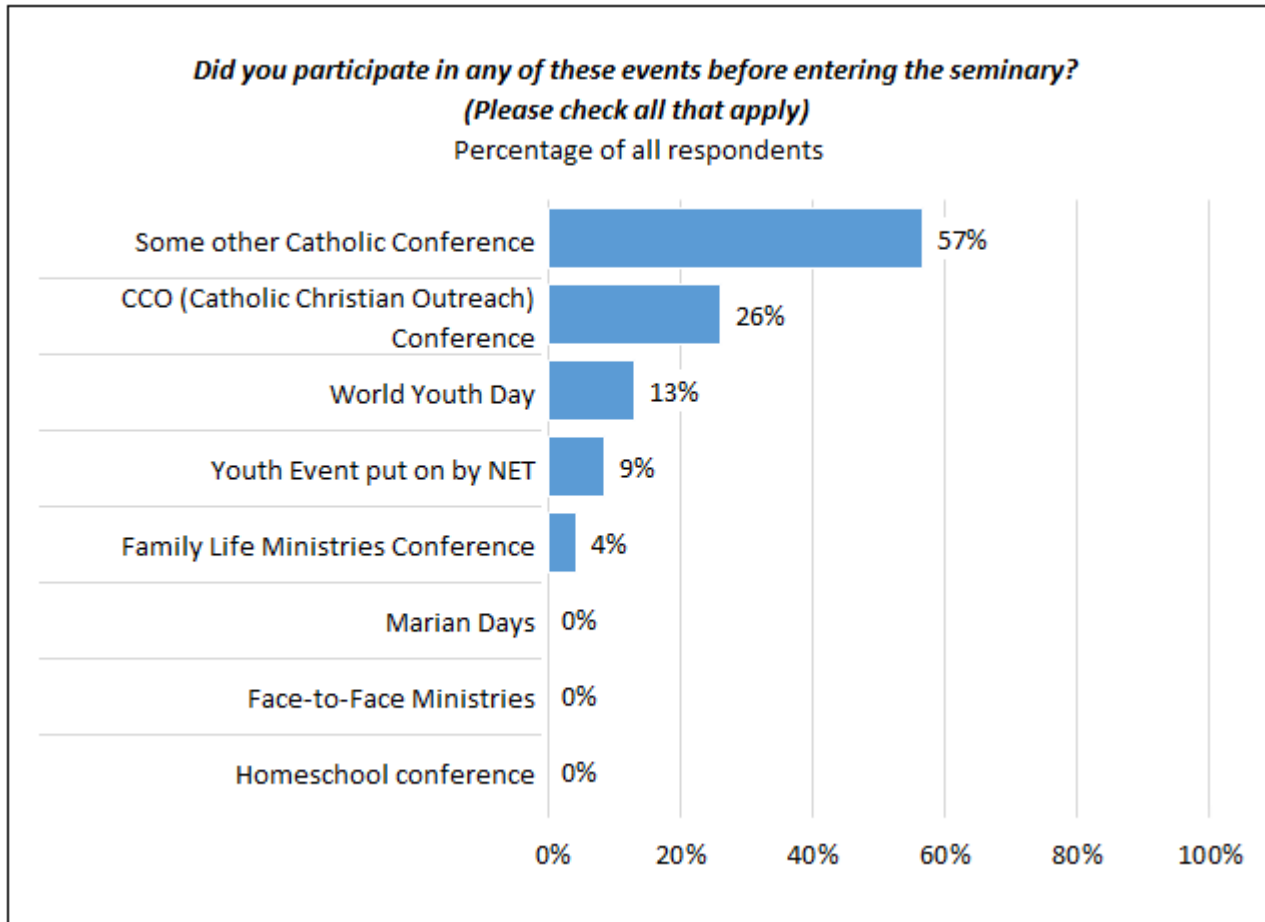
## Prayer Practices



## Parish Ministries

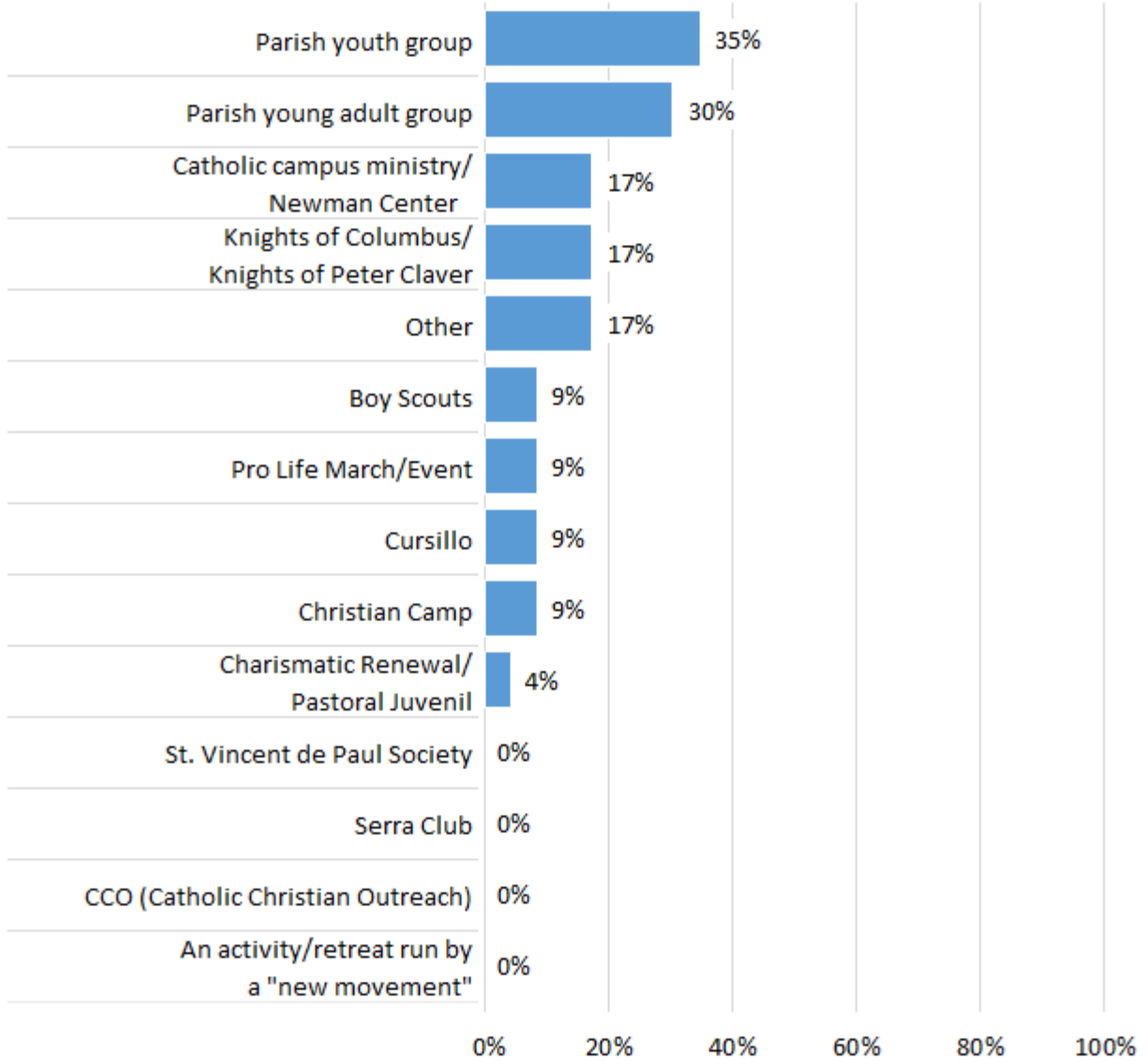


## Faith-Related Activities

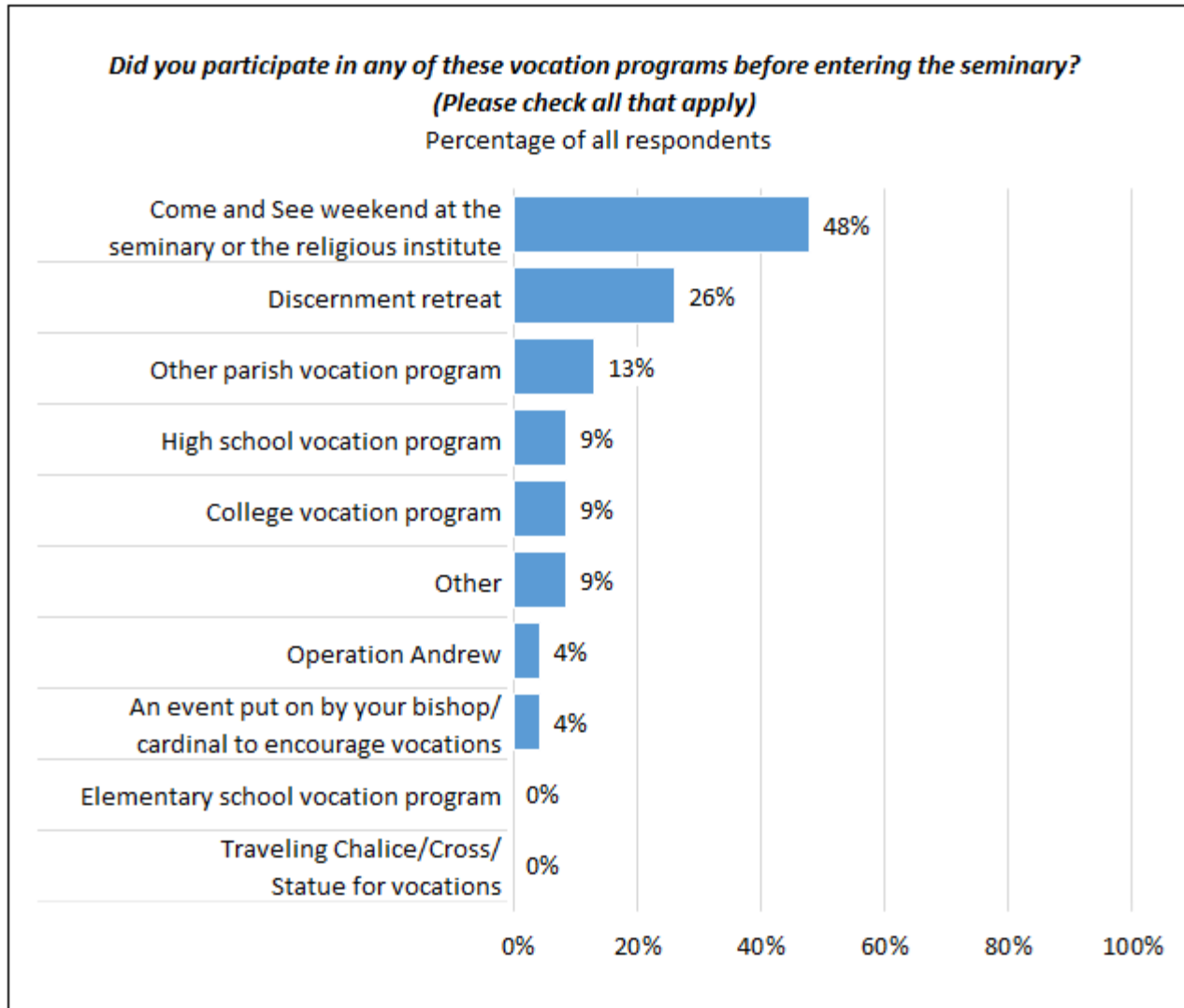


***Did you participate in any of these programs or activities before entering the seminary?  
(Please check all that apply)***

Percentage of all respondents



## Vocation Activities



## Part VII: Seminary Formation

### Activities in Seminary

