



2021 HOME AND COMMUNITY PREFERENCES SURVEY: A NATIONAL SURVEY OF ADULTS AGE 18+ CHARTBOOK

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Livable Community

A livable community is one that is safe and secure, has affordable and appropriate housing and transportation options, and offers supportive community features and services. Once in place, those resources enhance personal independence; allow residents to age in place; and foster residents' engagement in the community's civic, economic, and social life.



– AARP Policy Book, Chapter 9

Key Findings: Home and Community

Adults have a strong desire and likelihood to stay in their home and community as they age and are making plans to do so, including consideration of alternative housing options. Both the desire and likelihood to stay in their home and community is even greater among adults age 50 and older.

- Over 50 percent of adults ages 18-49 say they want to remain in their communities and homes as they age, while nearly 80 percent of adults age 50 and older indicate this same desire.
- About half of all adults look for communities that are affordable, provide a variety of housing, and make them feel safe.
- More than one in five adults ages 18-49 report they will stay in their current home and never move while at least half of adults age 50 and older say they will never move from their current home.
- Over 60 percent of all adults own their own homes, and approximately one in three reports that major modifications to their home are needed to accommodate aging needs.
- About half of all adults seek out homes that are affordable and will help them live independently as they age.
- The presence of accessory dwelling units is low, but nearly one in three would consider building one on their property; the top reason to build an ADU is so that a loved one who needs care would have a place to stay.
- Seven out of ten adults already share or would be willing to share a home with a family member, not including a spouse as they age, with a major consideration being if they needed help with daily activities.

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Key Findings: Community Features and Services

When thinking about what is most important to have in their communities, adults primarily value community features that foster good health, promote street safety, and provide good opportunities for community engagement. These themes have remained consistent over the years, especially among 50-plus adults.

- At least three-quarters place high importance on having access to clean safe water and healthy foods as well as quality health care.
- Approximately three in five place high importance on having safe trails and paths to walk, run, and bike.
- Nine in ten of all adults drive themselves to get around their community. Given this great dependence on driving, high importance is placed on street safety with at least three-quarters rating having well-maintained streets and easy to read traffic signs as extremely or very important.
- Moreover, seven in ten say having streets that are accessible and safe for everyone and enforced safe speed limits are highly important to continued safe driving.
- Highly valued community features that cultivate community engagement are having opportunities for residents to serve on councils or committees; gather and discuss community issues; share their knowledge, history, and expertise across generations; and having venues to socialize and pursue hobbies and interests that are accessible to people with varied physical abilities.

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Key Findings: Coronavirus

Home has become a hub for people throughout the global pandemic as many people are choosing to stay at home more, work remotely, and do more online including shopping and engaging socially.

- Half of all adults are concerned about COVID-19 affecting themselves and their families and as a result many have chosen to stay at home throughout this pandemic. This sentiment is even stronger among adults age 50 and older.
- Nearly two-thirds have sheltered at home and nearly half began working remotely from home.
- About half have gone out less often by stocking up on supplies and shopping online for supplies.
- Two-thirds of adults have used video chat such as Zoom, Skype, or Facetime to connect with family and friends who do not live with them, and half have participated in virtual doctor visits.

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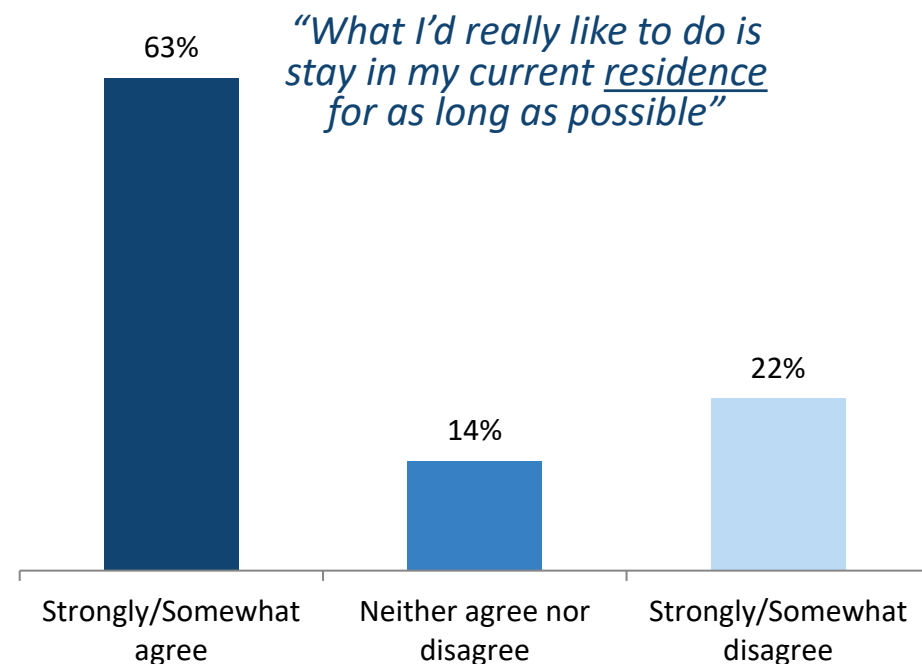
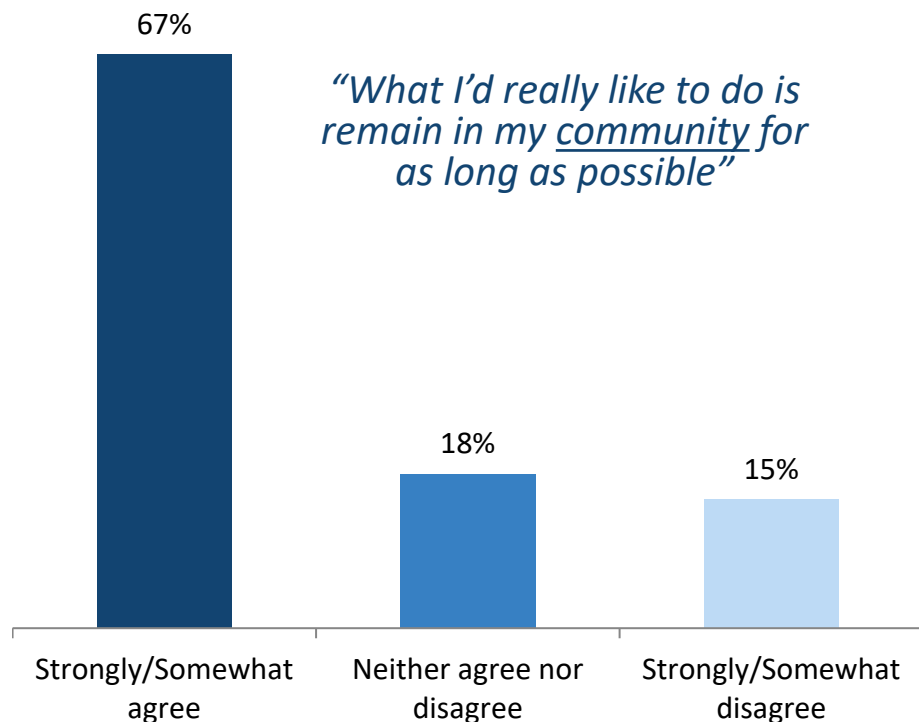
HOME AND COMMUNITY

Home and Community Highlights

- ❖ Over six in ten adults want to stay in their own homes and communities as they age, and this desire is even higher among adults age 50 and older.
- ❖ Six in ten adults age 50 and older are planning to stay in their current homes and communities compared to about four in ten of younger adults.
- ❖ More than six in ten adults are homeowners and are disproportionately age 50 and older.
- ❖ Only 4 percent currently have an accessory dwelling unit as part of their home; however, 62 percent would consider building one to provide care for a loved one.
- ❖ More than half already share their home or would consider sharing their home with a family member or friend as they age. Of those who would not consider home sharing, many would consider doing so if they needed help with daily activities or did not want to live alone.
- ❖ Thirty-four percent of all adults say they need to make changes to their home to enable them to stay there, and about half would consider leaving their home to find one that helps them age independently (49%) or that is more affordable to maintain (44%).
- ❖ More than half of all adults would consider leaving their current community to find one that is safer (55%), costs less (49%) and has more affordable (48%) and better housing choices (45%).
- ❖ Although more would choose to live in a non-age-restricted community (44%), a third would consider moving into a 55+ adult community (32%) or a continuing care community (32%).

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More than six in ten adults would like to remain in their community or current residence for as long as possible

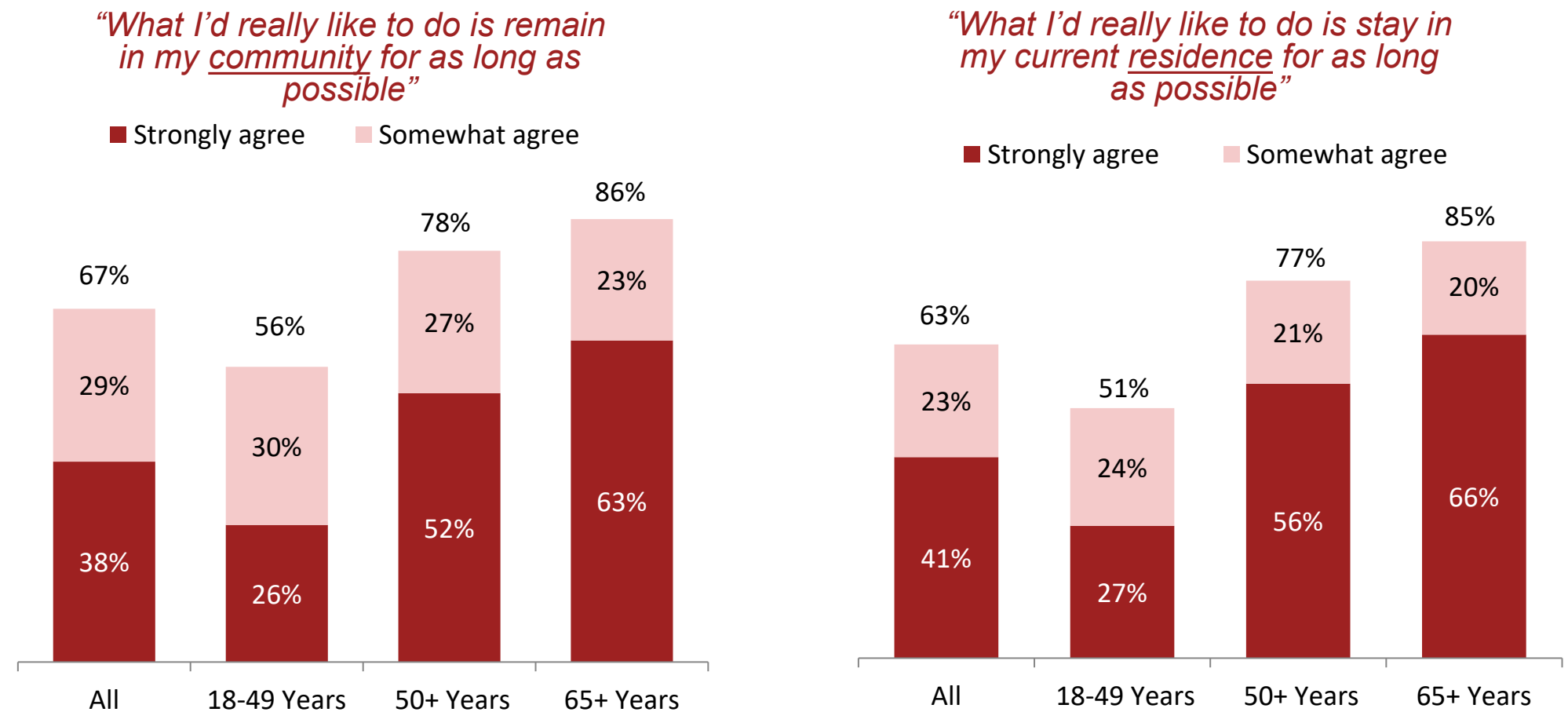


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Preference to remain in their community or current residence is stronger in older age groups

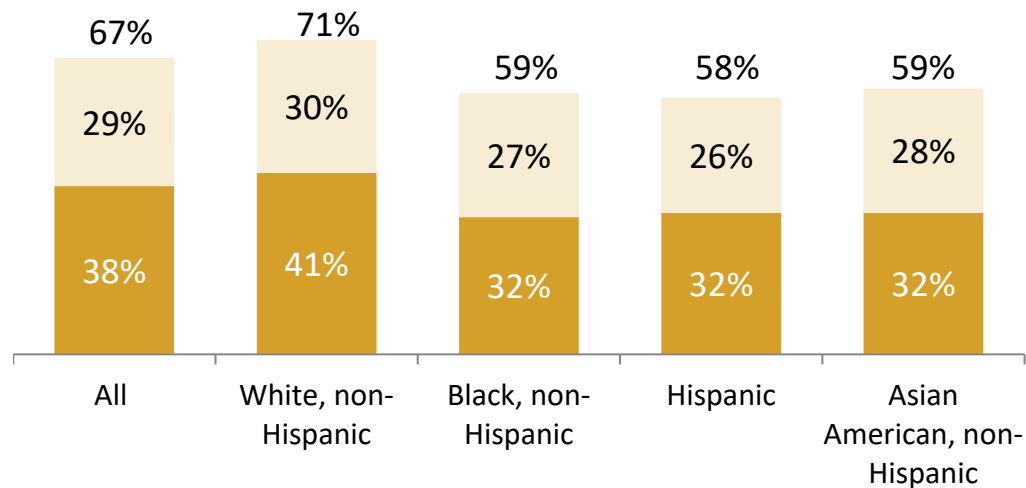


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Preference to stay in their community and residence is similar across race/ethnicity

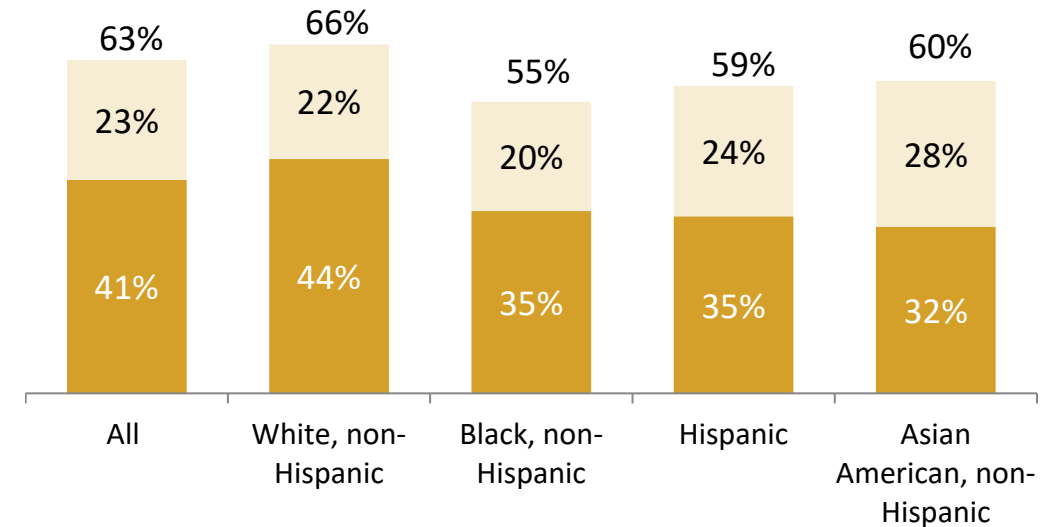
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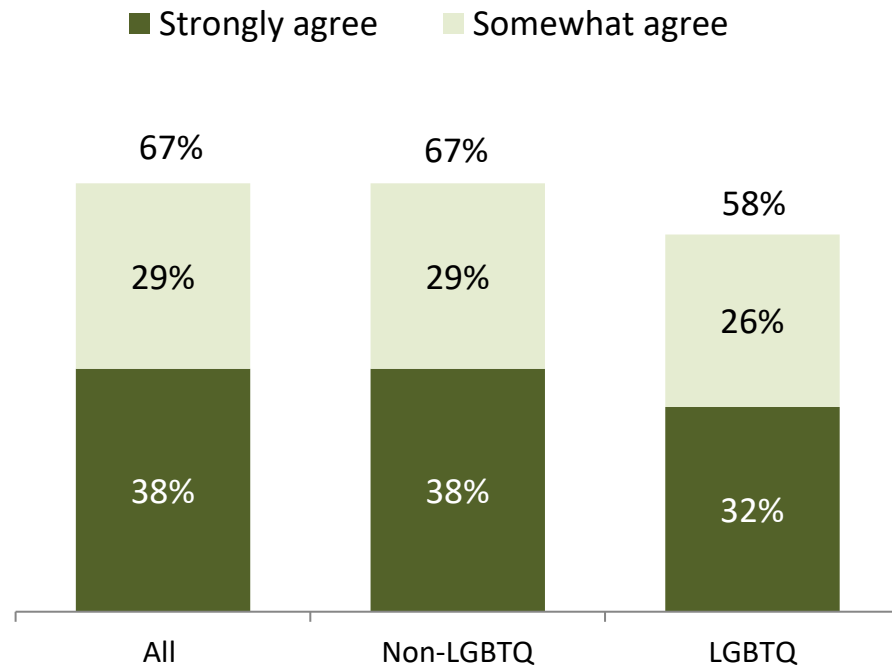
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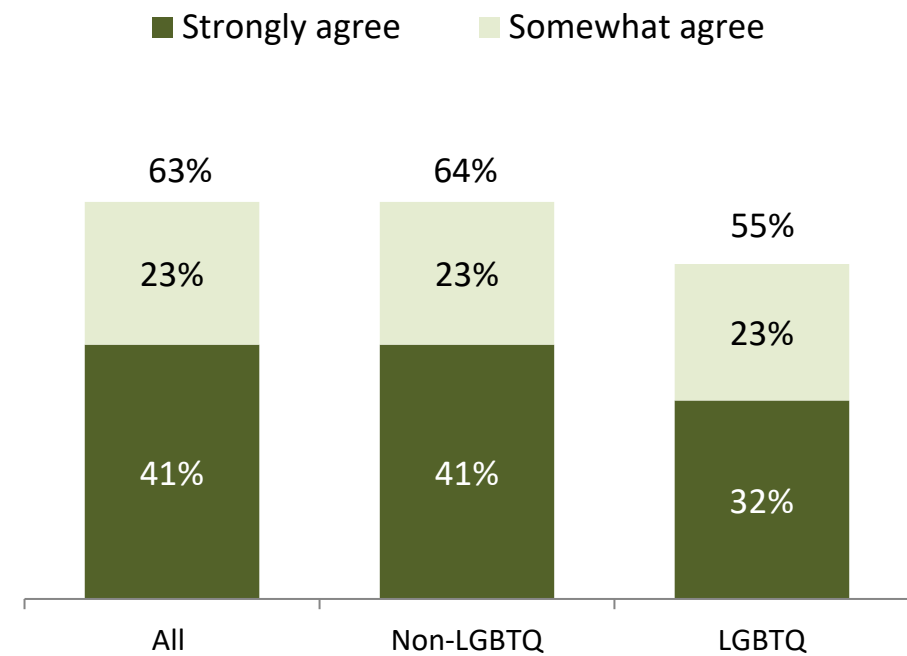
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Preference to stay in their community and residence is lower among LGBTQ adults

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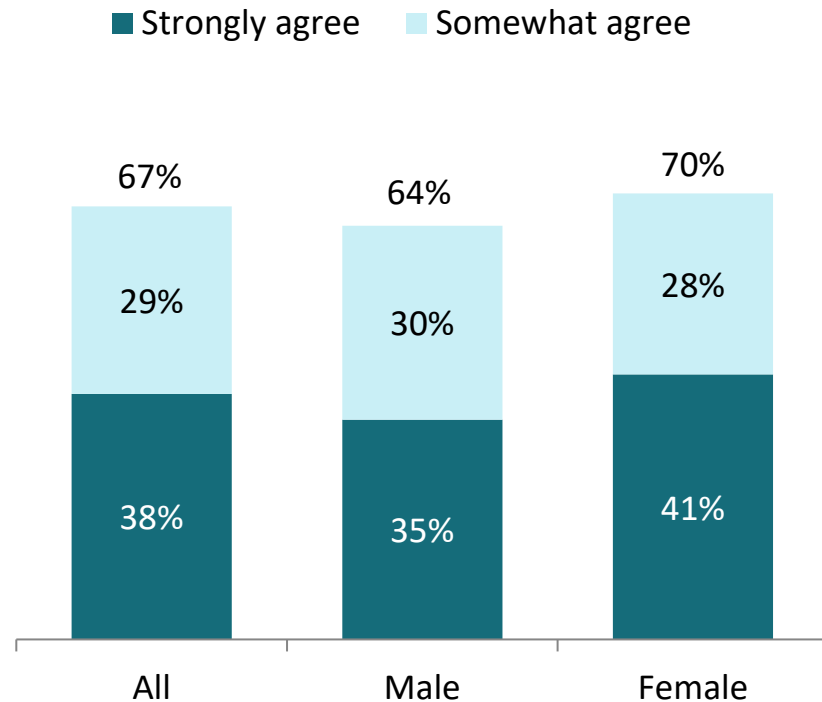
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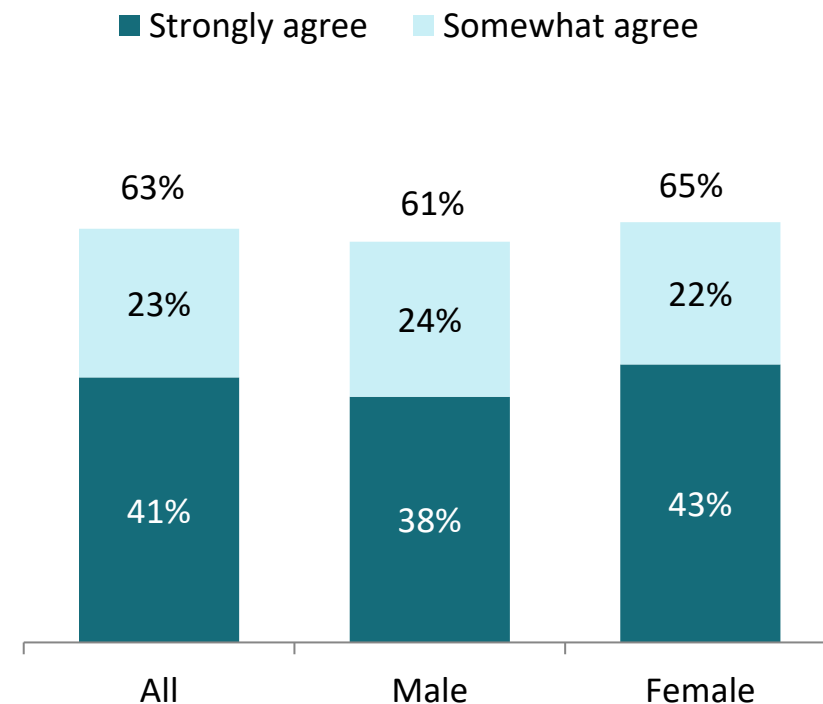
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Preference to stay in their community and residence is similar across males and females

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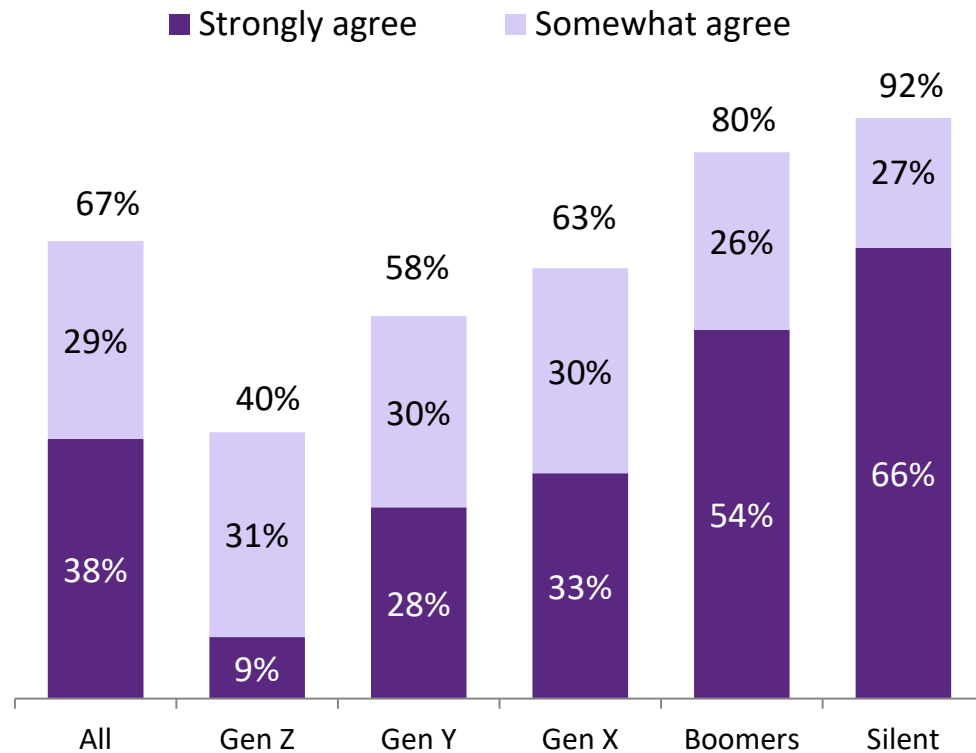
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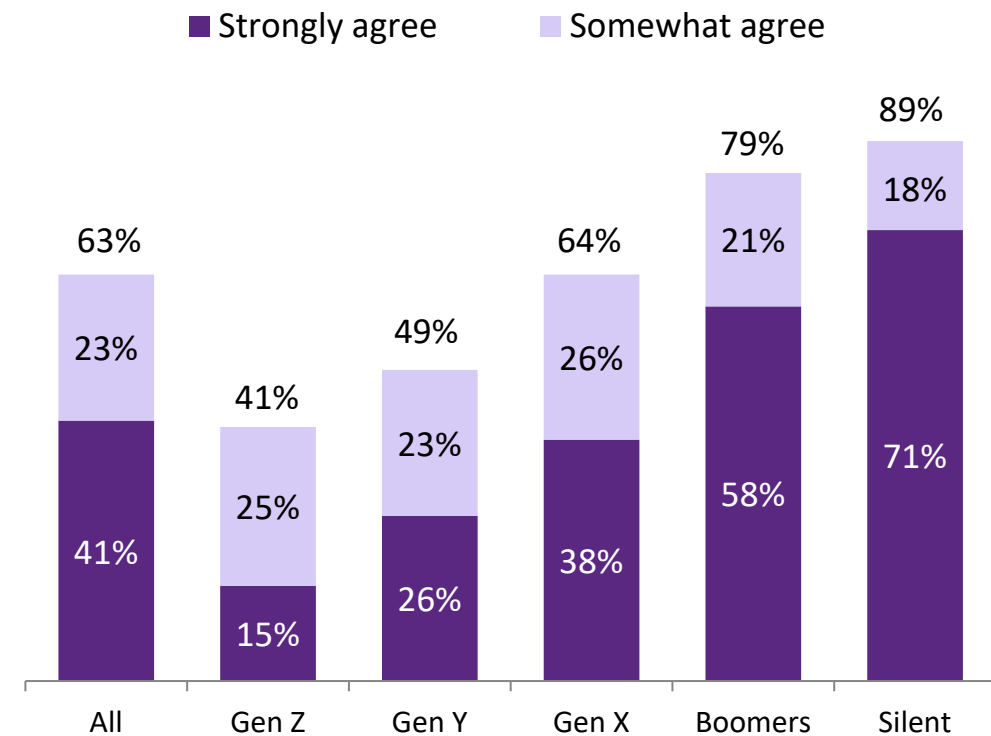
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Preference to stay in their community and residence is higher in older generations

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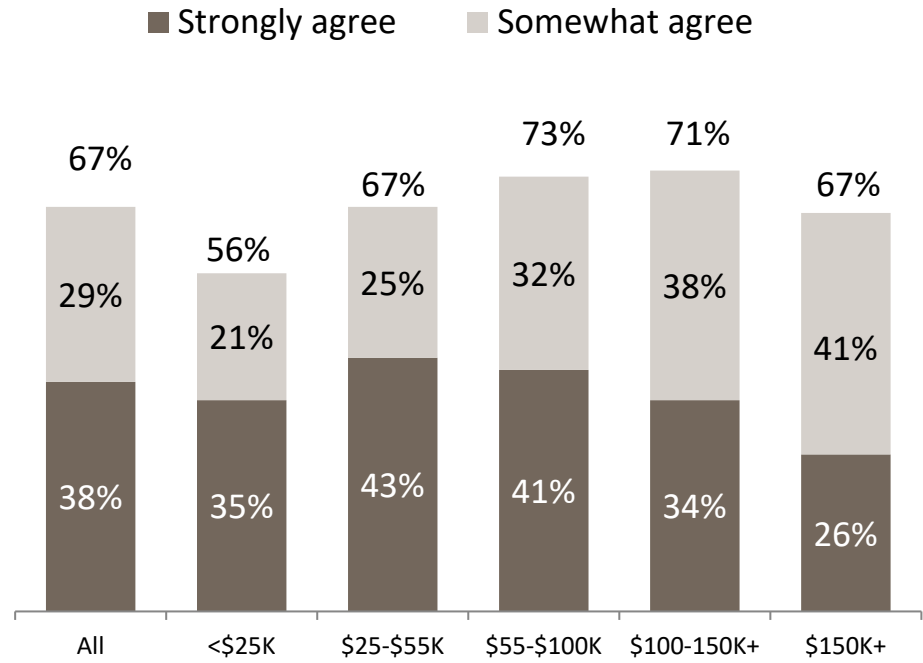
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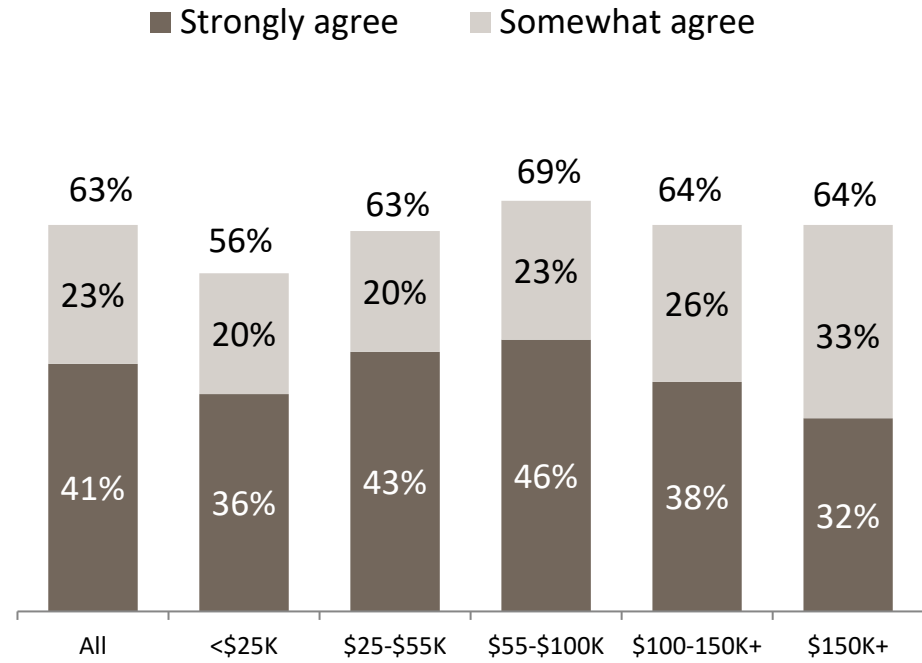
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Preference to remain in the same community and residence are similar across income levels with incomes of less than \$25,000 reporting slightly lower results

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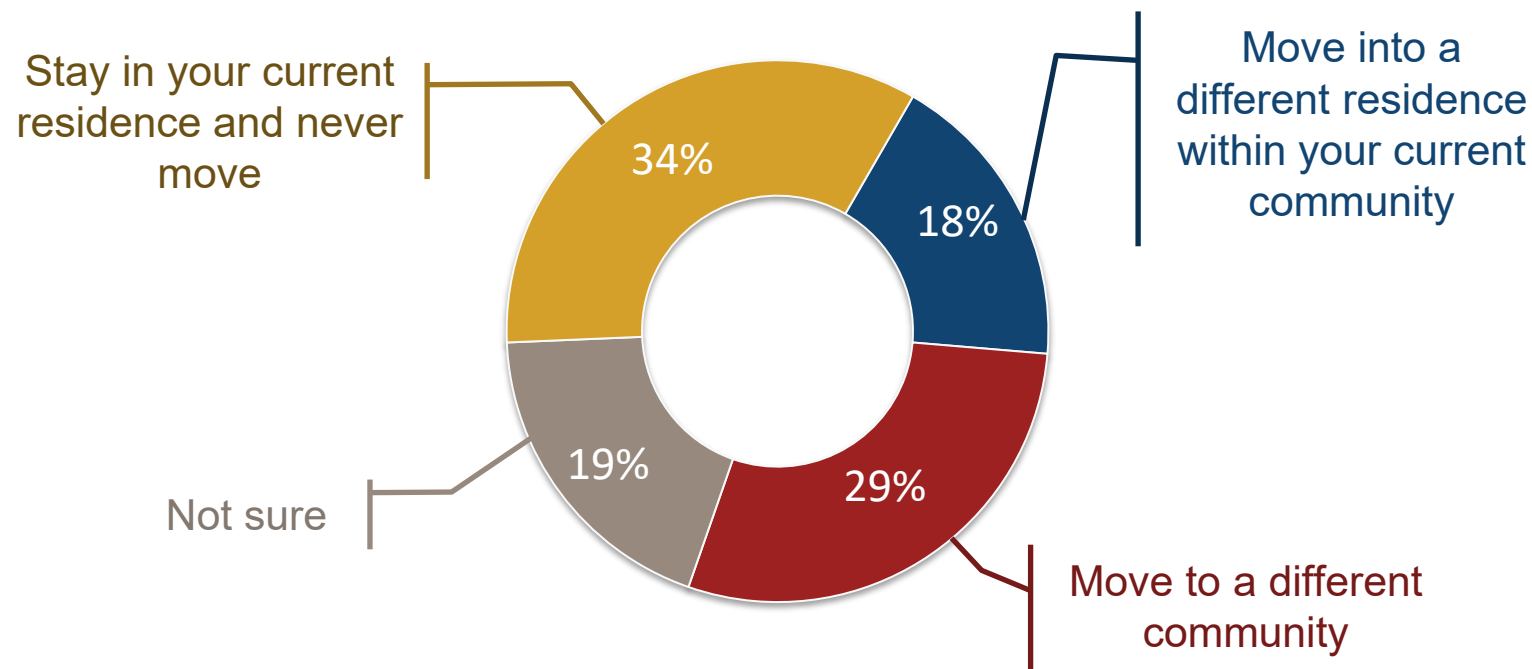
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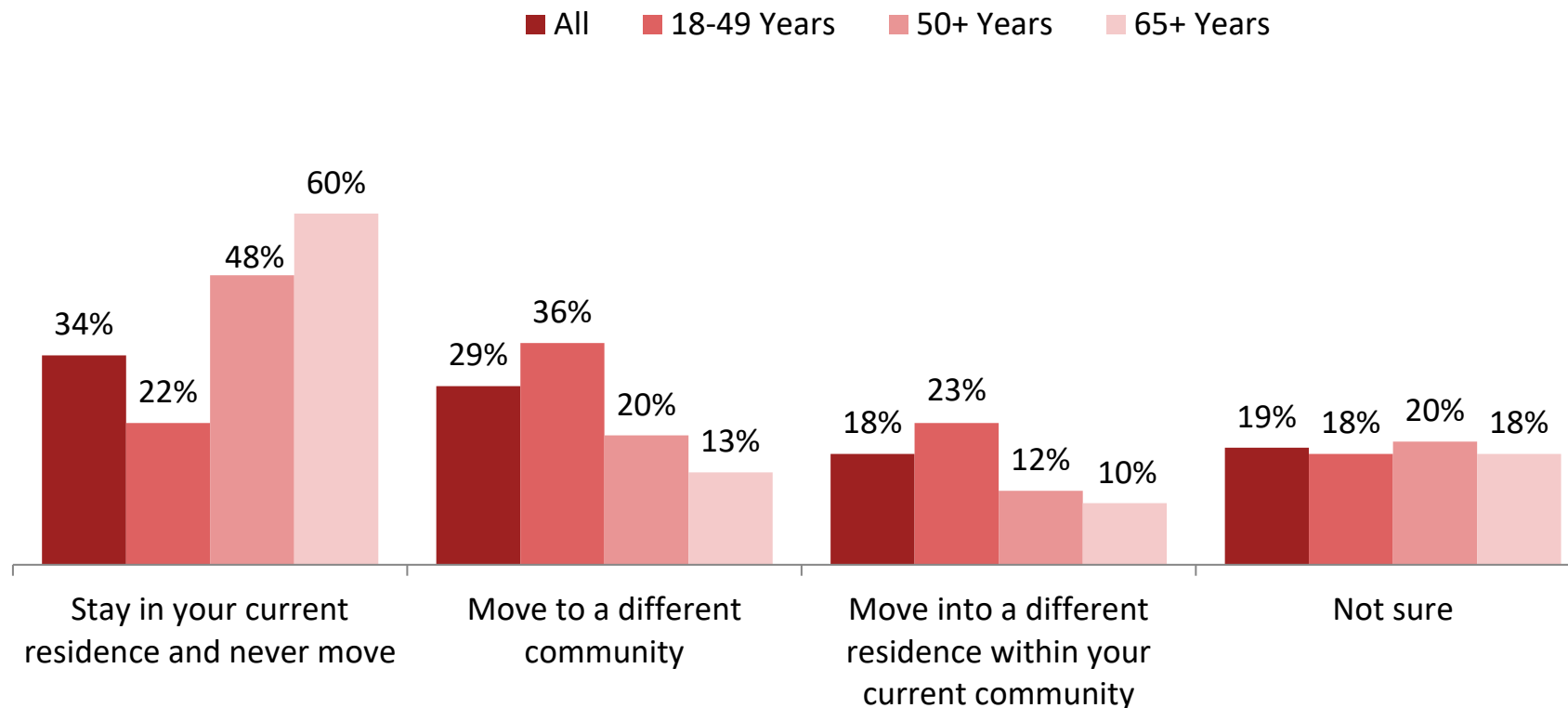
Approximately half of adults expect to stay in their home or community as they get older



Q5: Thinking about your future years, are you more likely to...?

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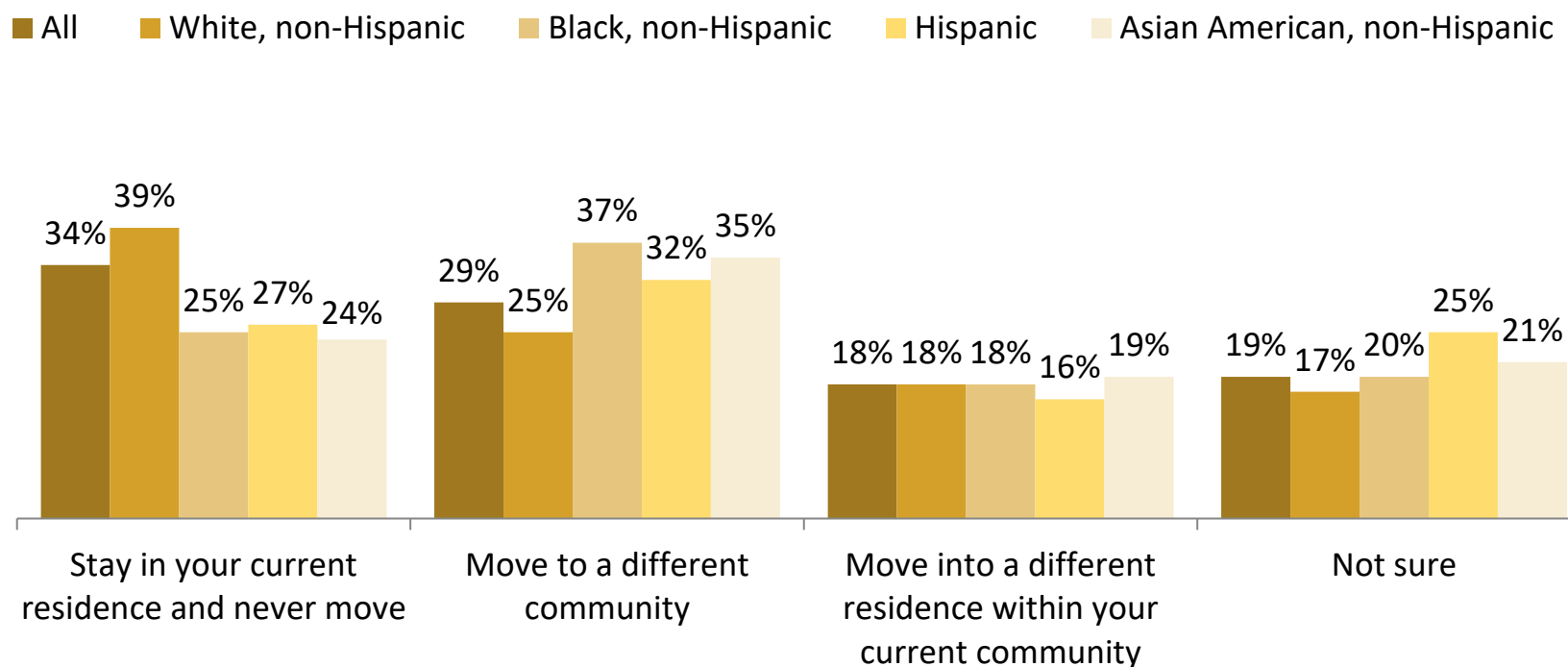
Likelihood of staying in their current residence and never moving increases with age



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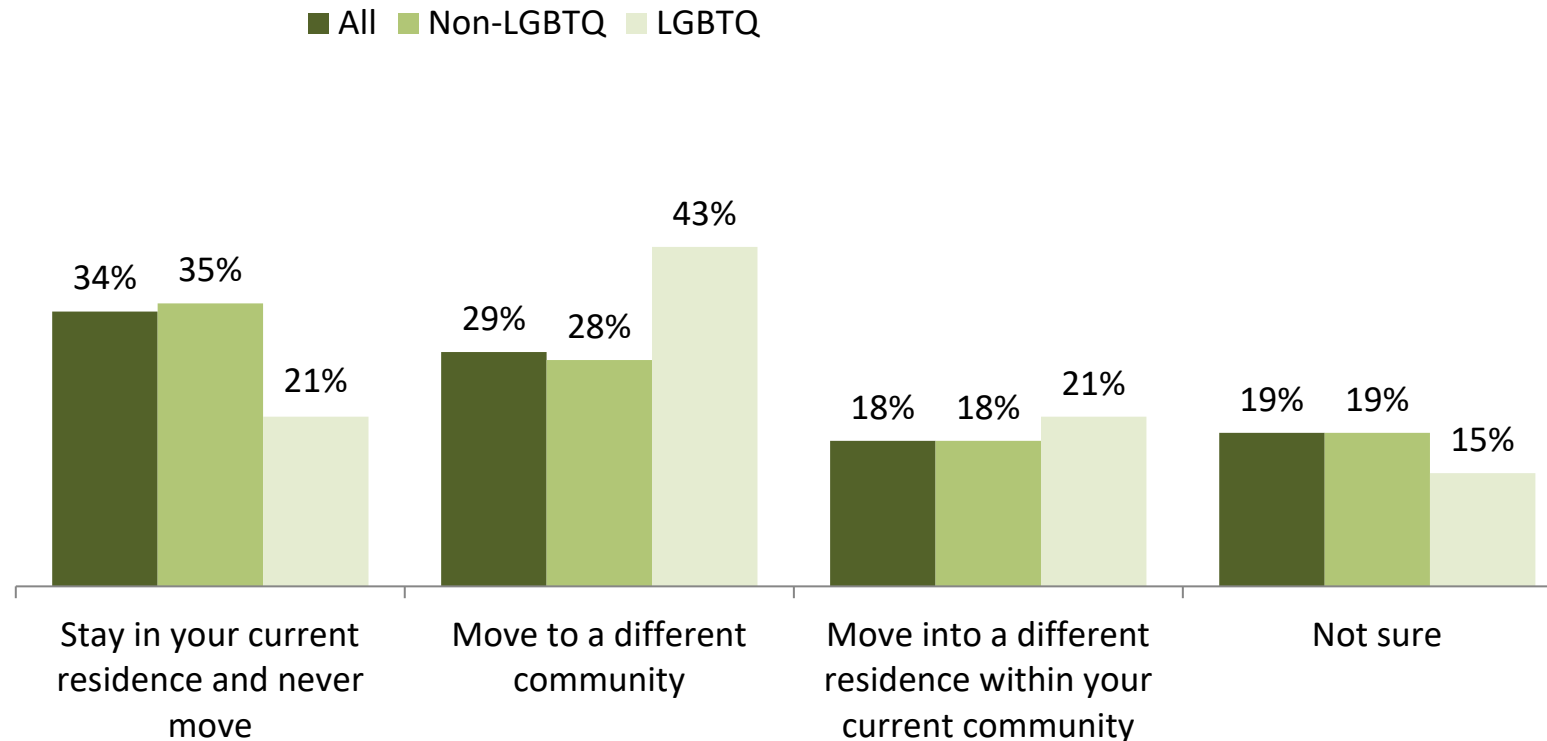
Black adults report being more likely to move to a different community; White adults report being more likely to stay in their current residence and never move



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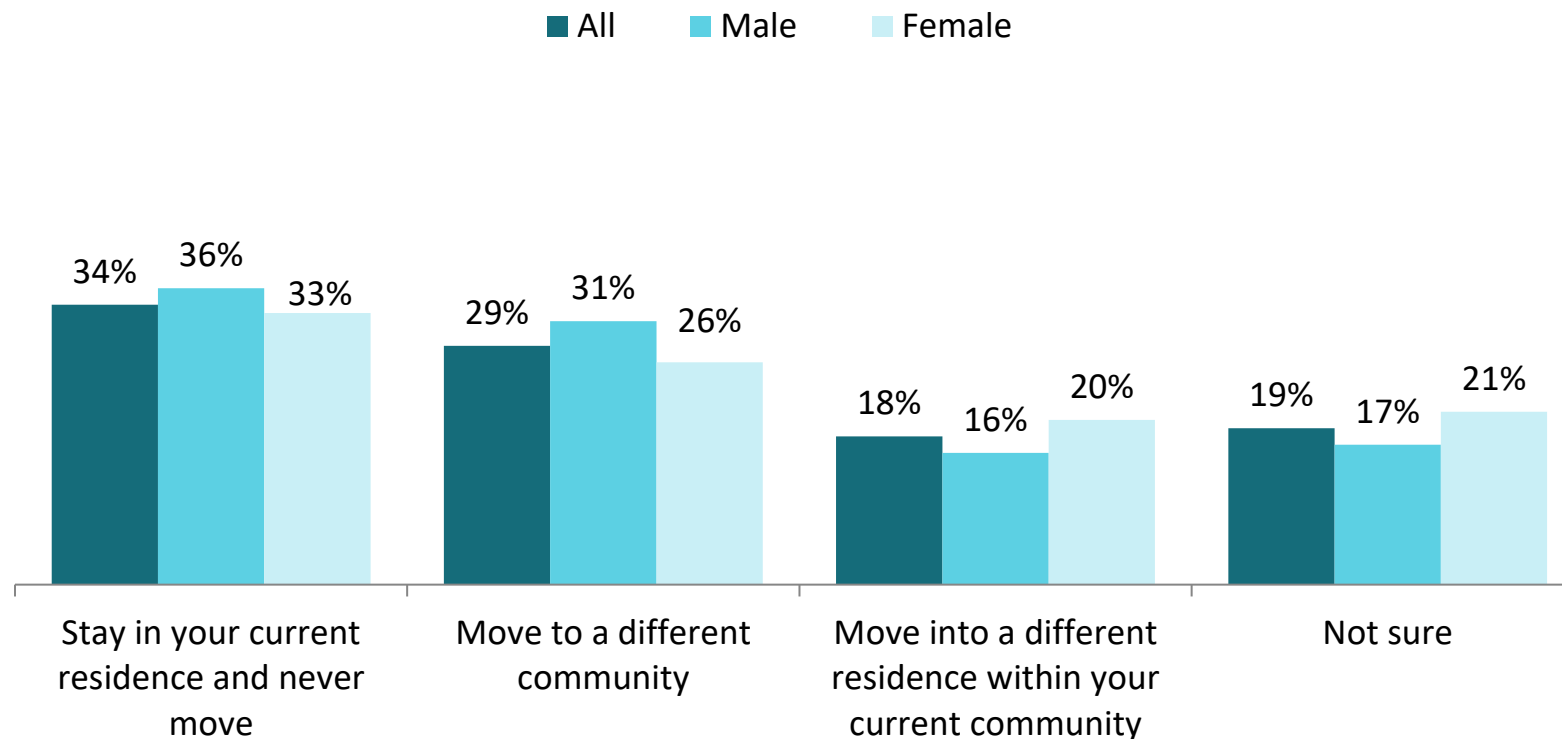
LGBTQ adults report being more likely to move to a different community in their future years



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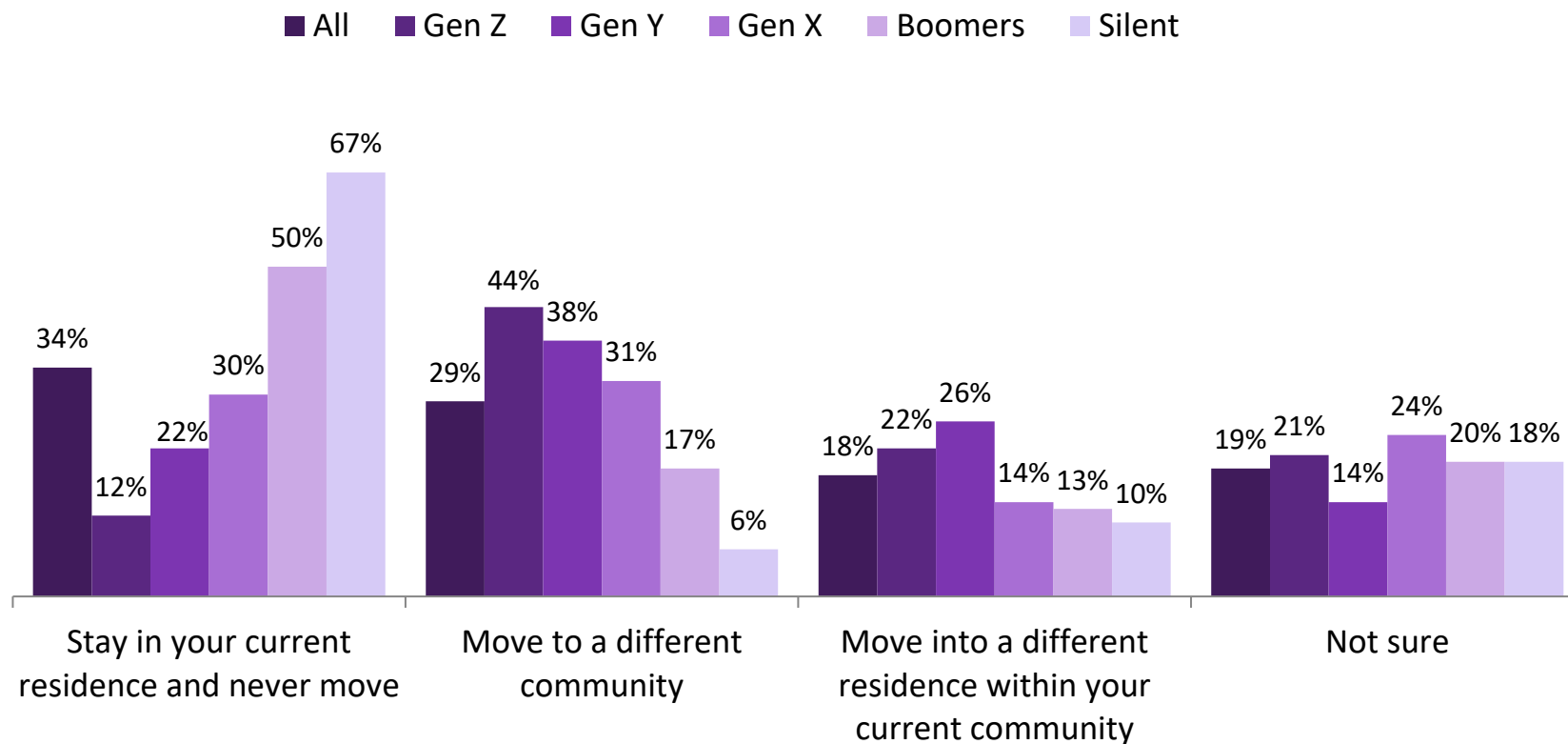
Men and women are similar in thinking about moving or staying in their current communities and residences in the future



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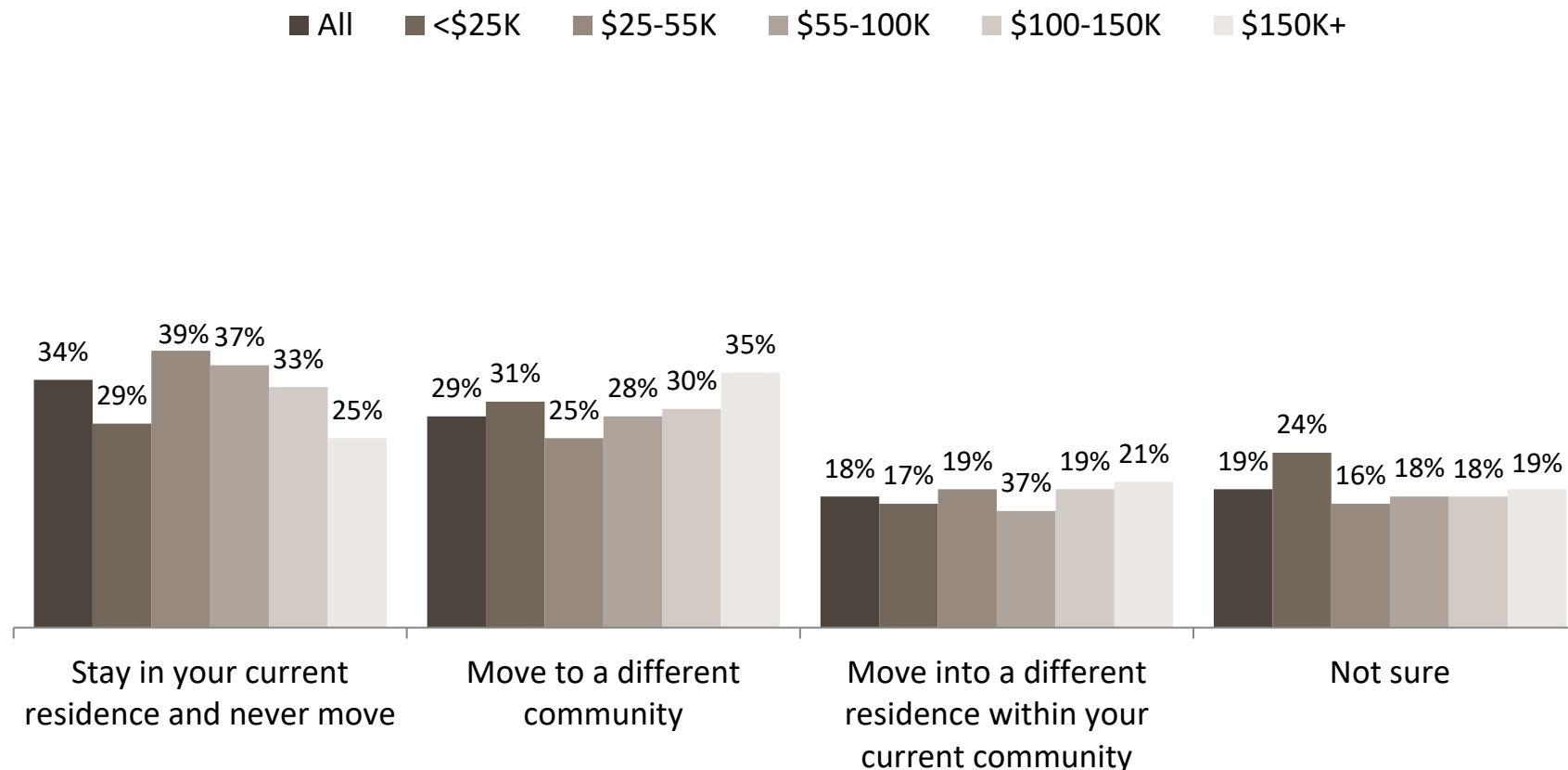
Younger generations are more likely to move to a different community compared to older generations which are more likely to stay in their current residence



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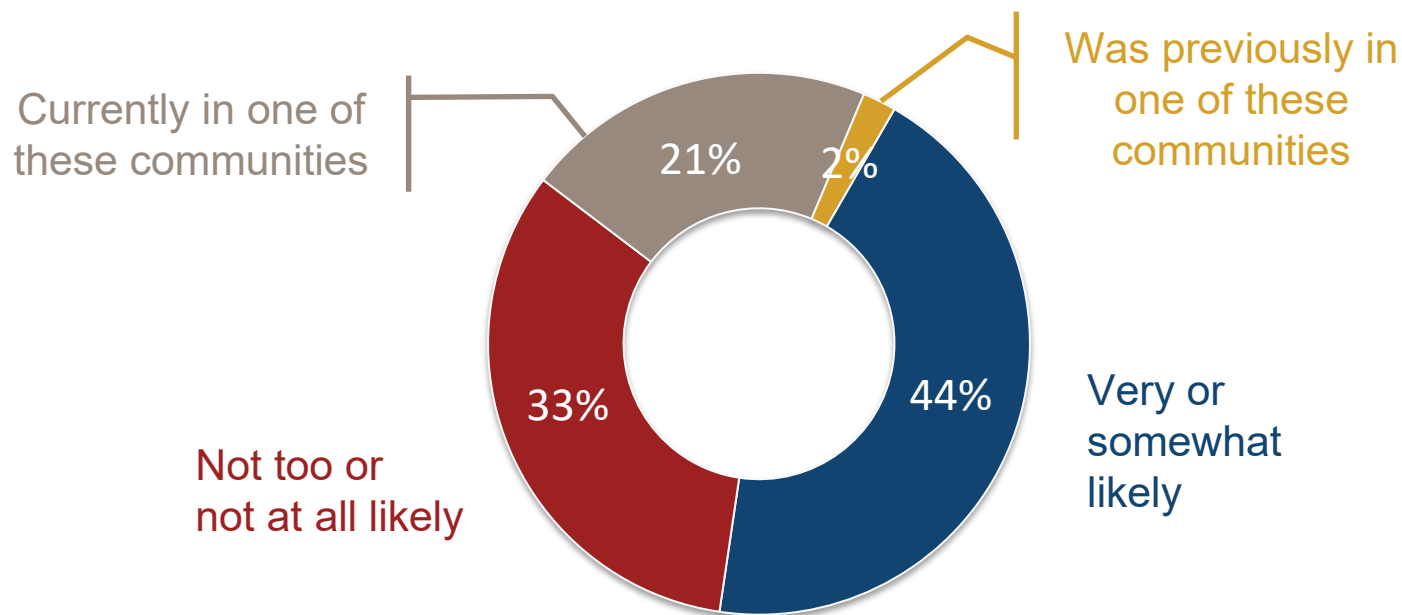
Likelihood of moving or staying in the same residence or community is similar across income levels



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Two-thirds of adults say they are likely to live in a typical community or neighborhood when they are older, or already live in one



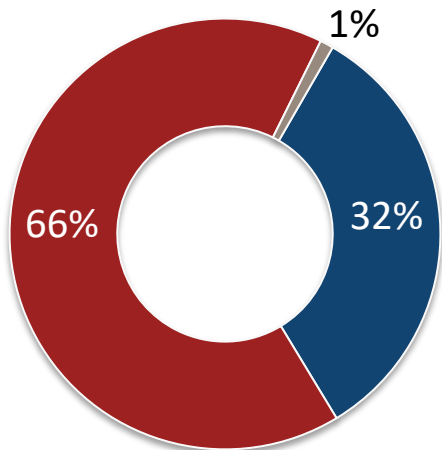
*Only respondents age 55 and over were given response options “Currently in one of these communities” and “Was previously in one of these communities.”

Q6: [When you get older,] How likely do you think it is that you will move to a typical community or neighborhood where anyone of any age can live and is comprised of single-family homes, two-family homes, townhomes, apartments, and/or mobile homes all with access to services, jobs, and public amenities?

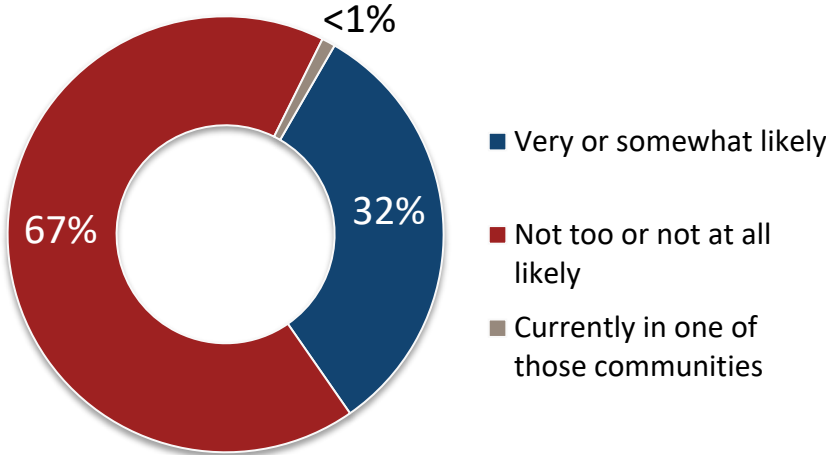
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Just a third of adults say they are likely to live in an active adult or continuing care community

Active Adult Community



Continuing Care Community



- Very or somewhat likely
- Not too or not at all likely
- Currently in one of those communities

An *active adult community* or neighborhood is for people age 55 and older that might also feature amenities such as lawn care, central dining, housekeeping, transportation, and a clubhouse for recreational and social activities for a monthly fee.

A *continuing Care Community* has offerings for people who can live independently as well as for people who need more care. In such a community, residents have the ability to move from independent living to assisted living to a nursing home as their needs change.

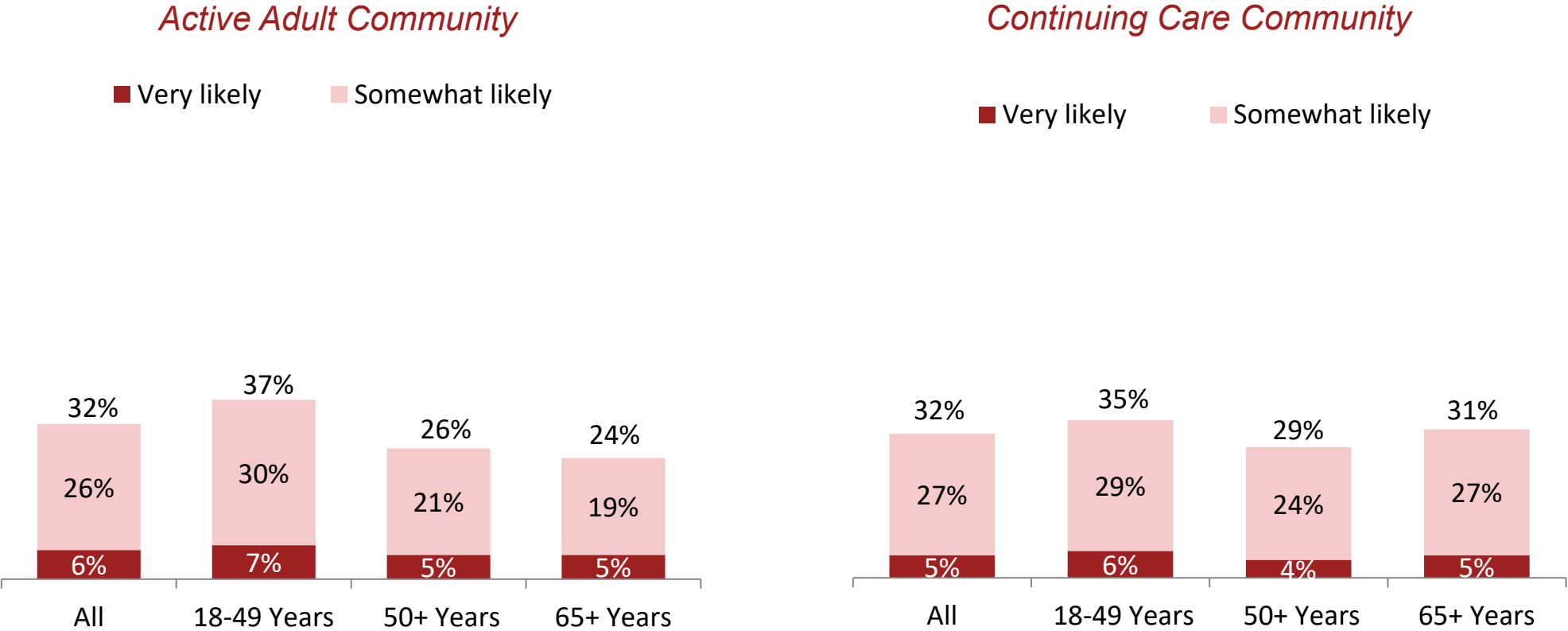
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Q8: [At some point as an older adult,] In your future years,[how likely do you think it is that you will you move into a Continuing Care Community that has offerings for people who can live independently as well as for people who need more care, such as in an assisted living or nursing home setting?

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Adults ages 18-49 are more likely to say they are likely to live in an active adult community when they are older



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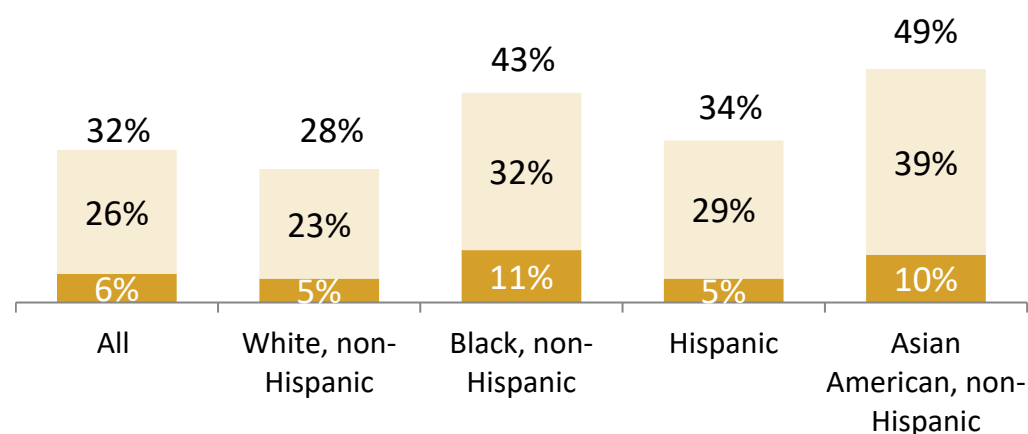
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Black and Asian American adults are more likely to say they are likely to live in active adult communities as they age

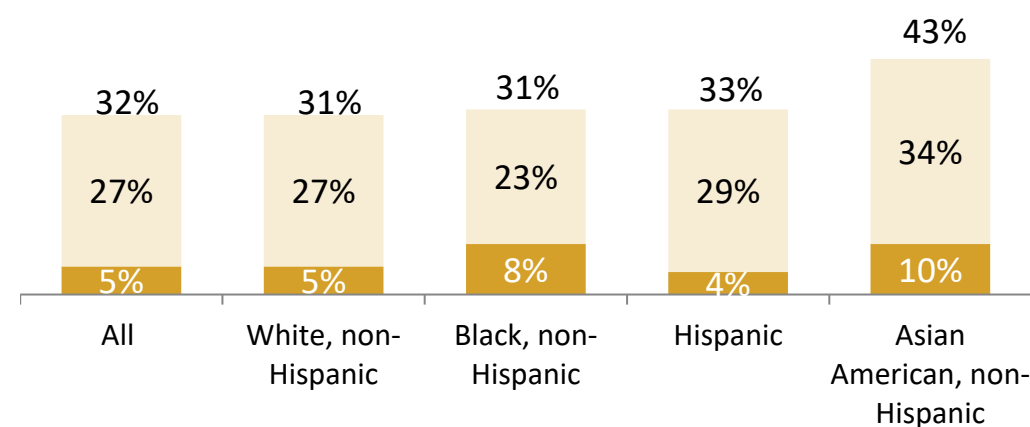
Active Adult Community

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Continuing Care Community

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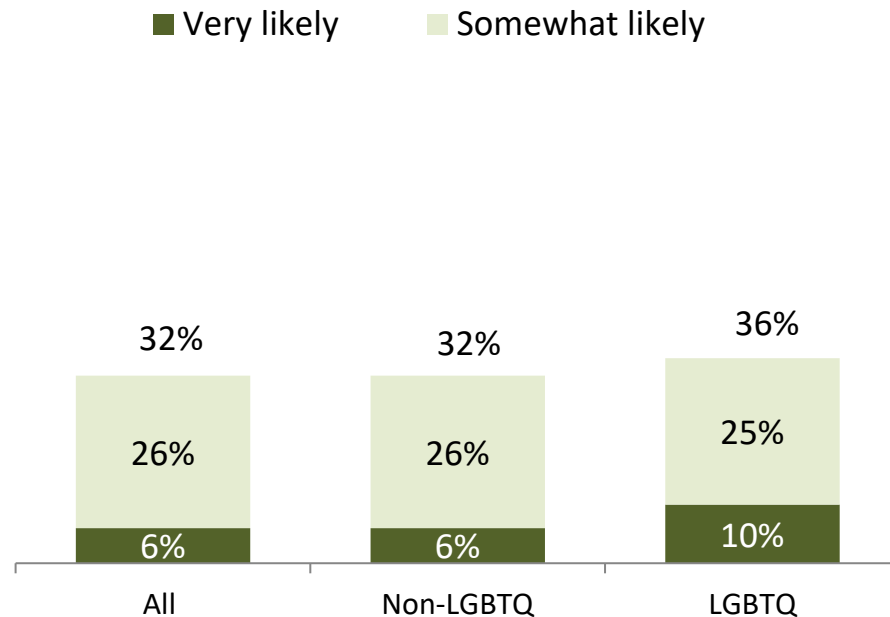
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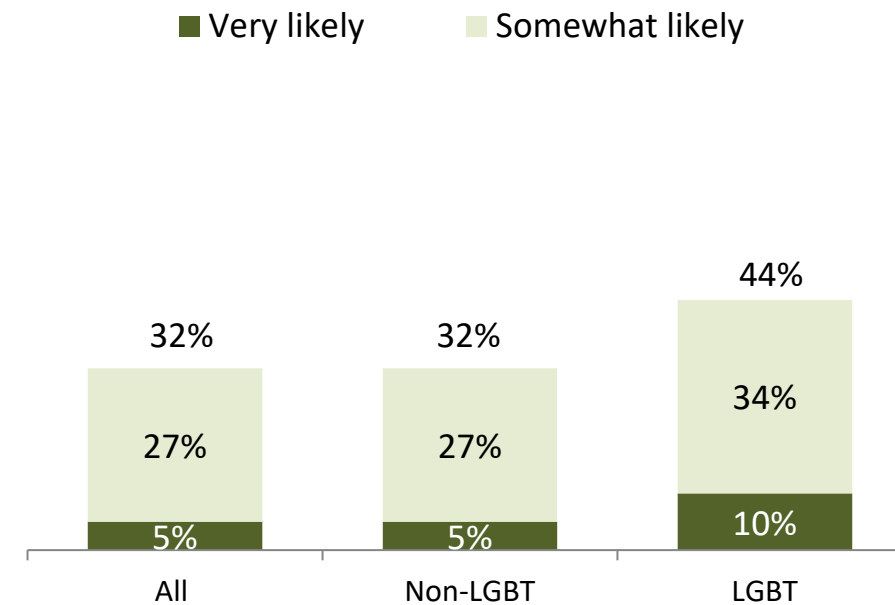
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LGBTQ adults are more likely than non-LGBTQ to say they are likely to live in a continuing care community

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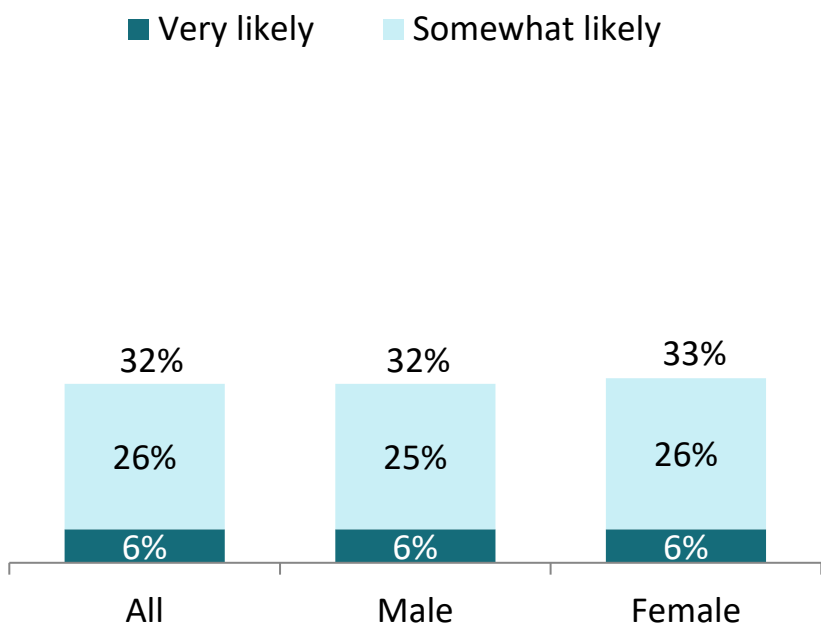
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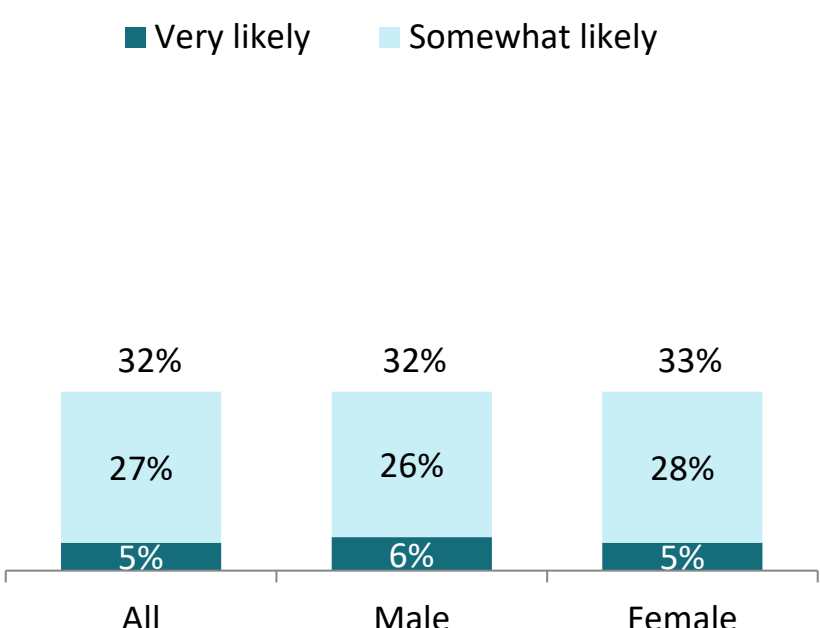
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Likelihood to move to active adult communities is similar across males and females

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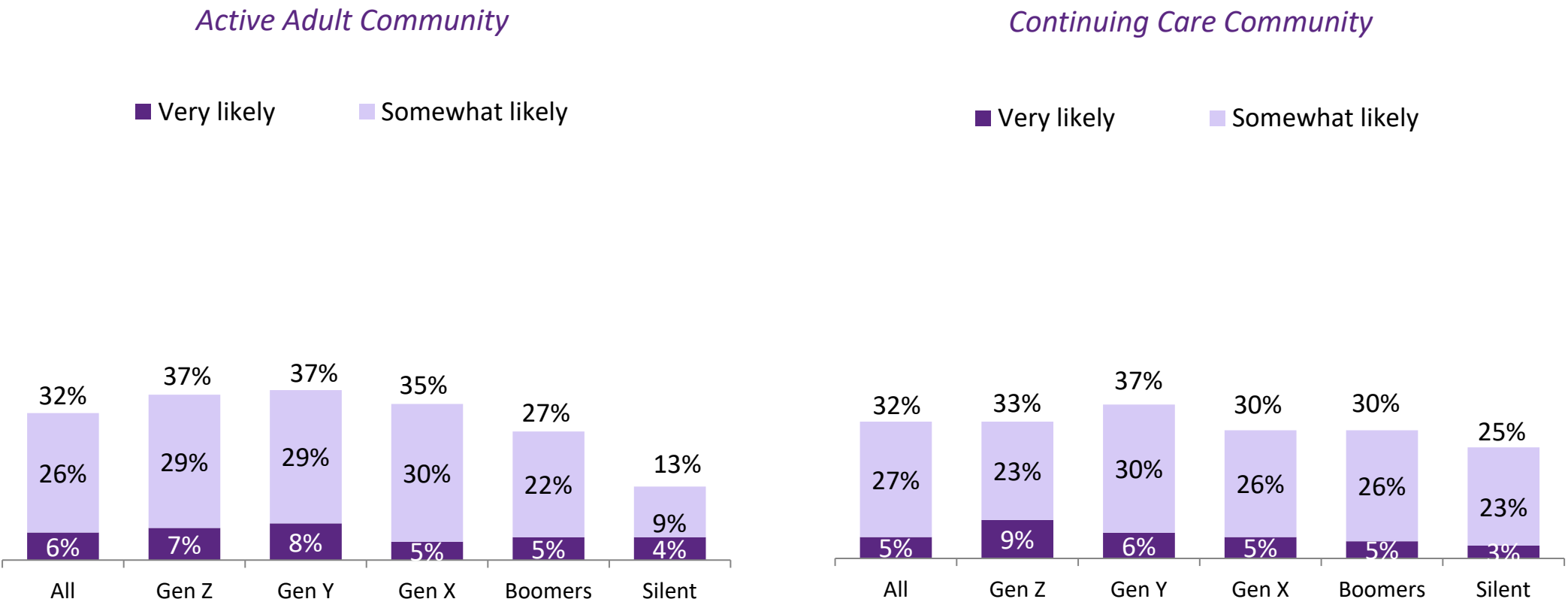


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Older generations are less likely to say they are likely to move into an active adult community

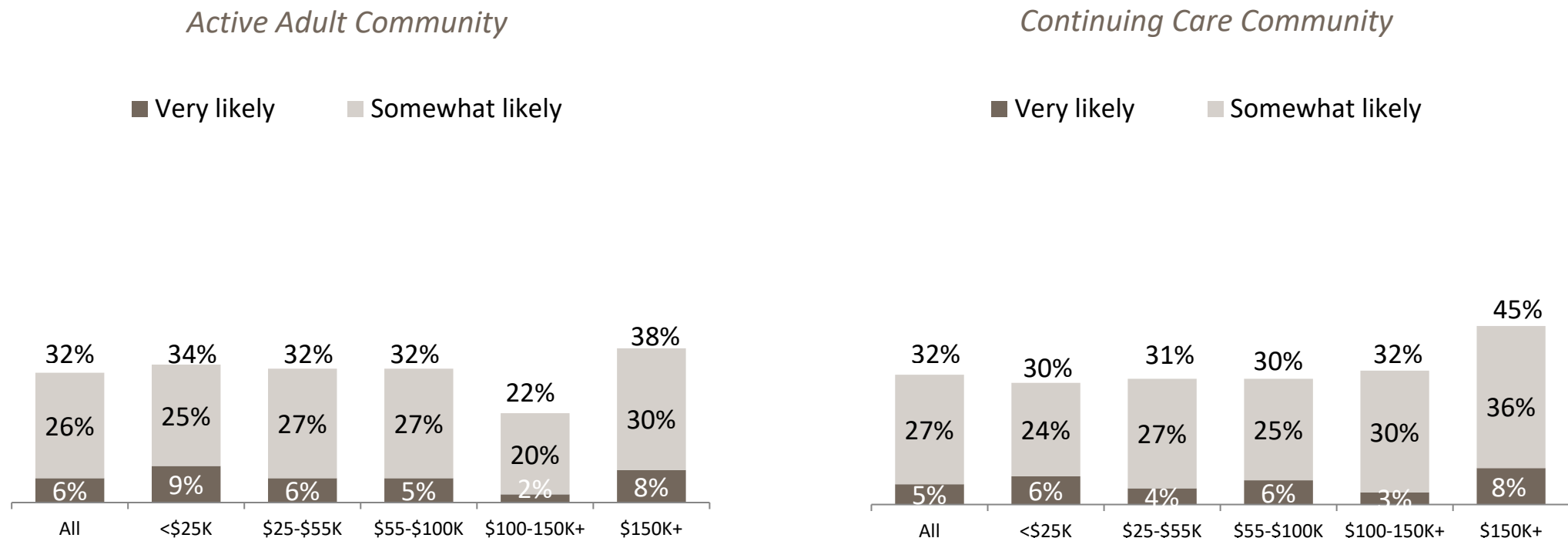


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Adults making more than \$150K are more likely to say they will live in a continuing care community

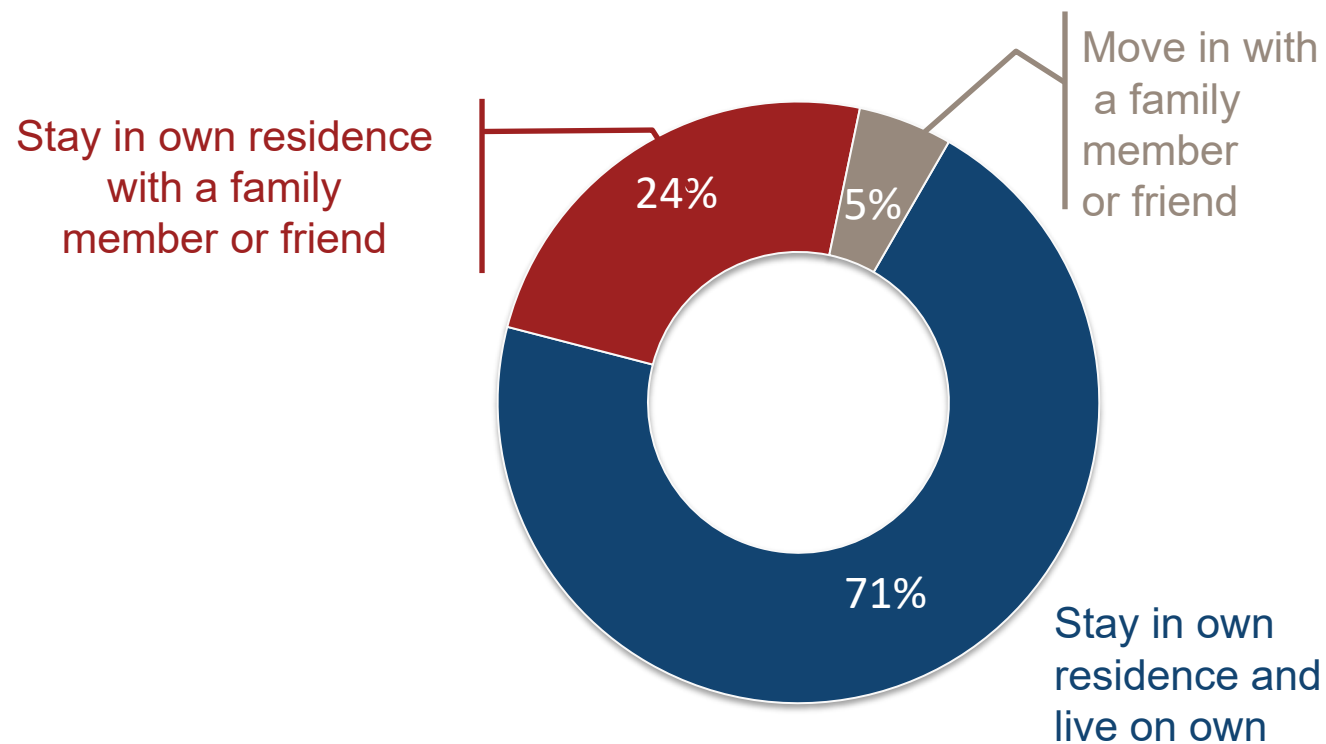


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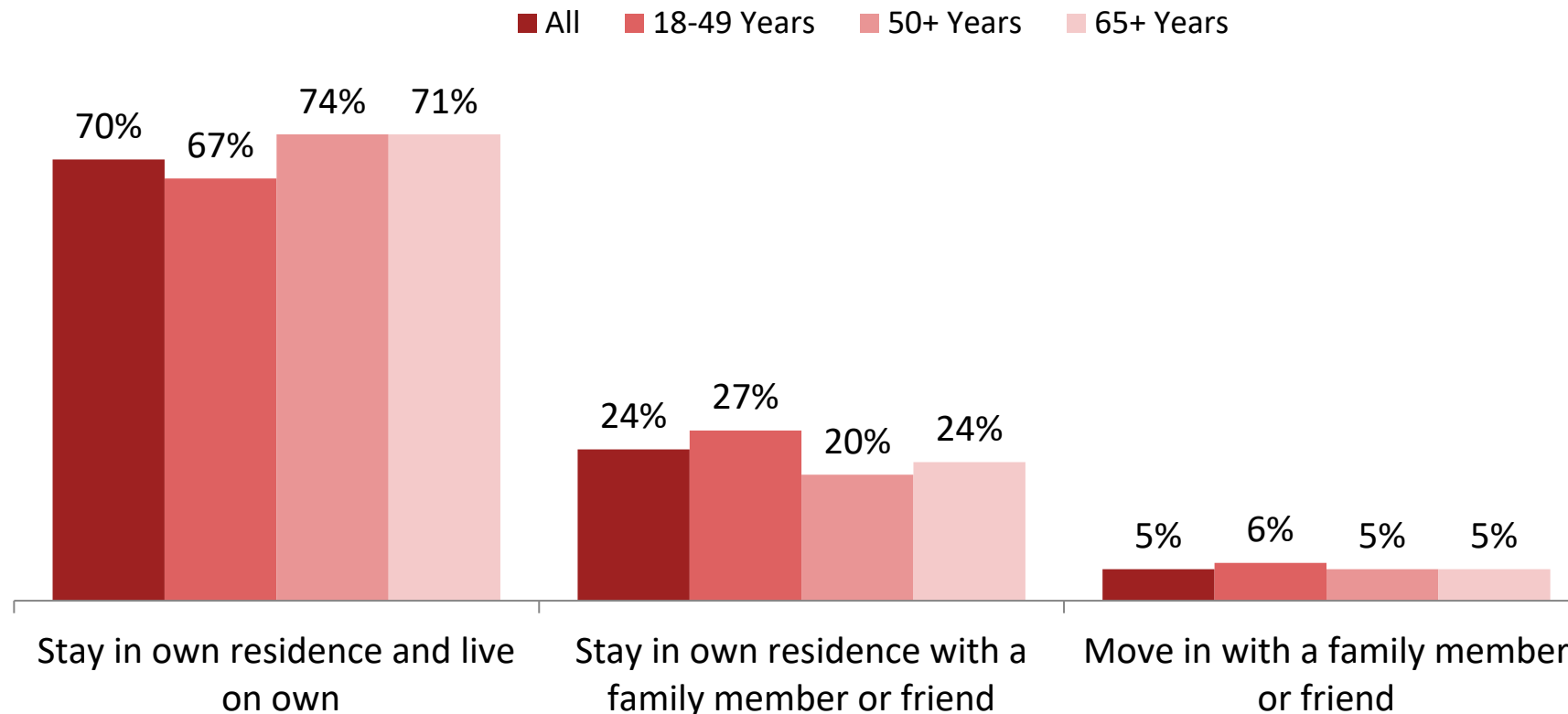
More than seven in ten adults would choose to live on their own in their own residence rather than living with a family member or friend



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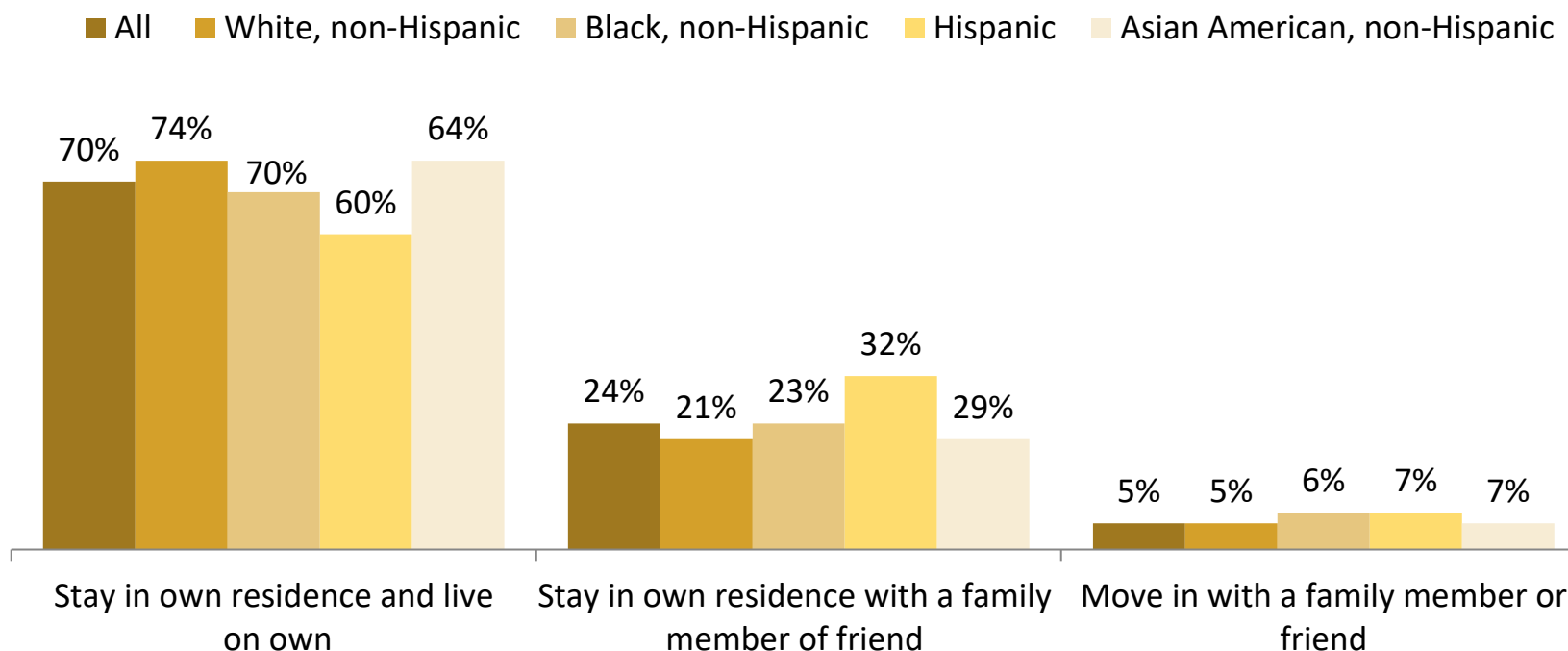
Adults of all ages prefer to stay in their own residence with a family member or friend



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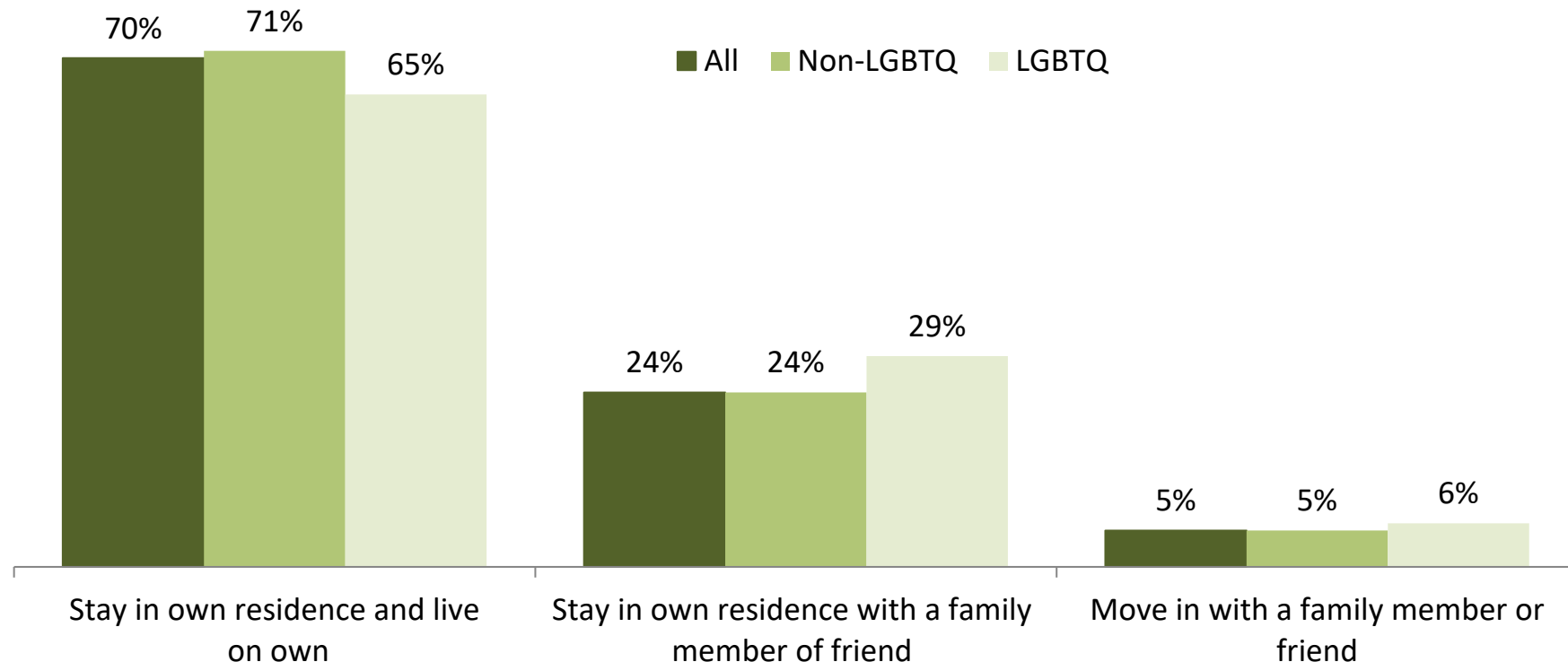
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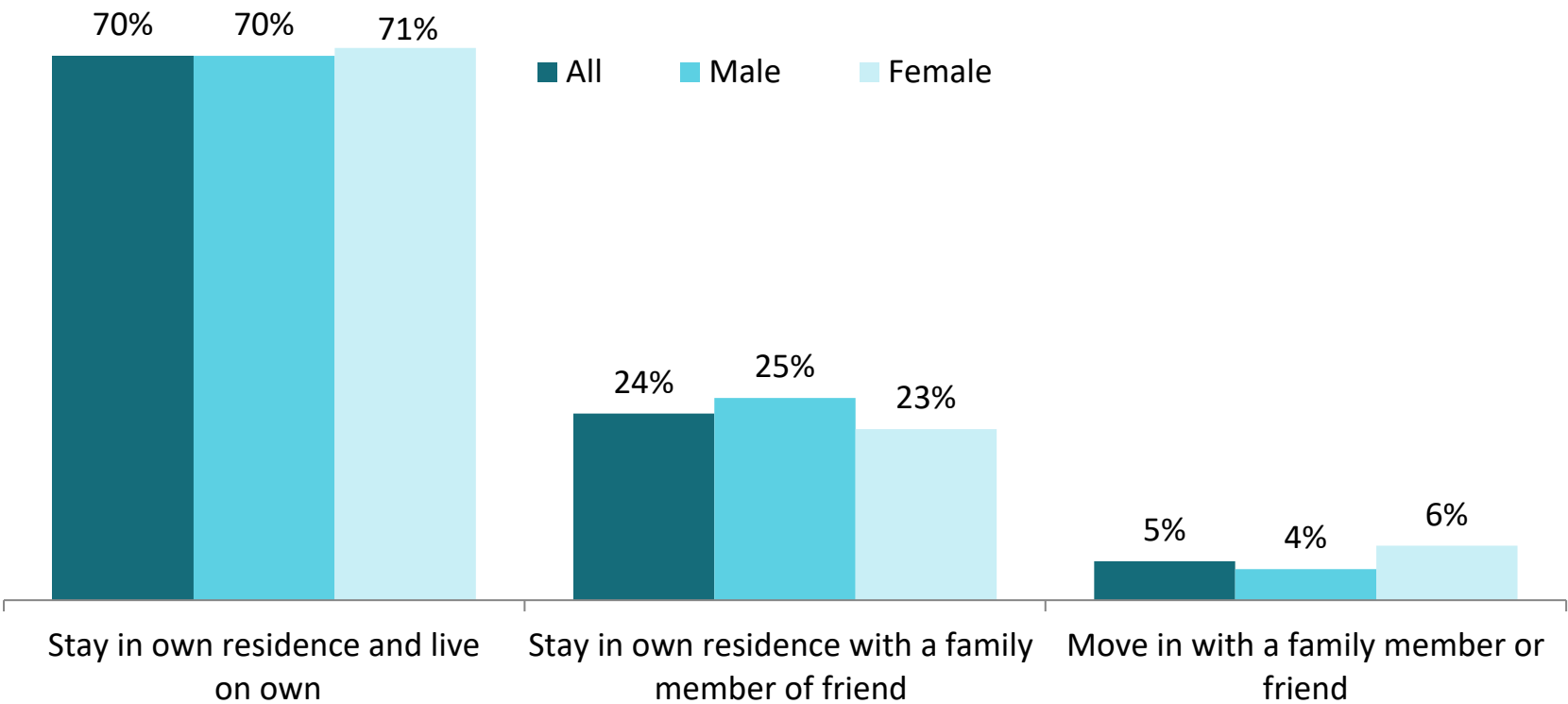
LGBTQ and non-LGBTQ adults both prefer staying in their own residence with a family member or friend



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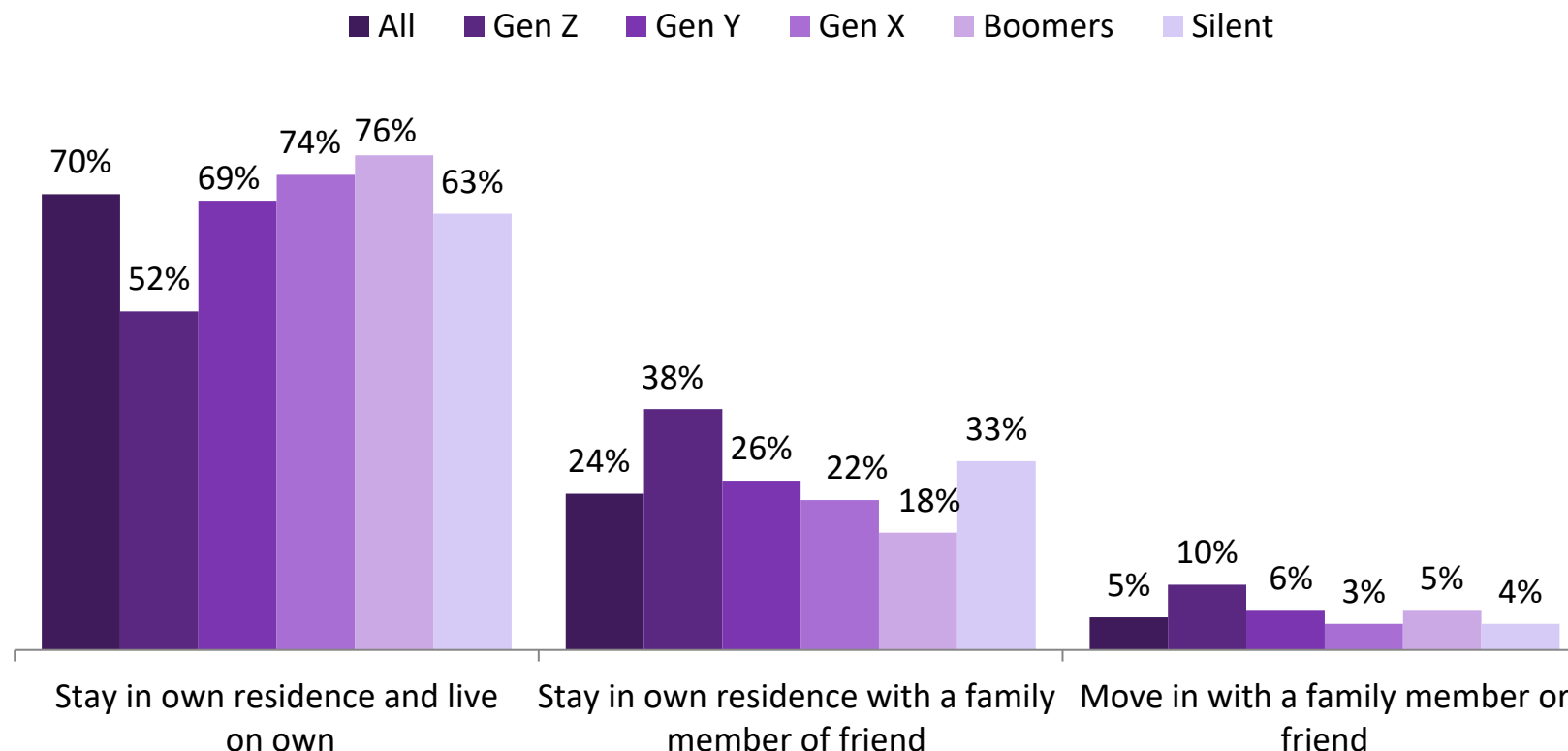
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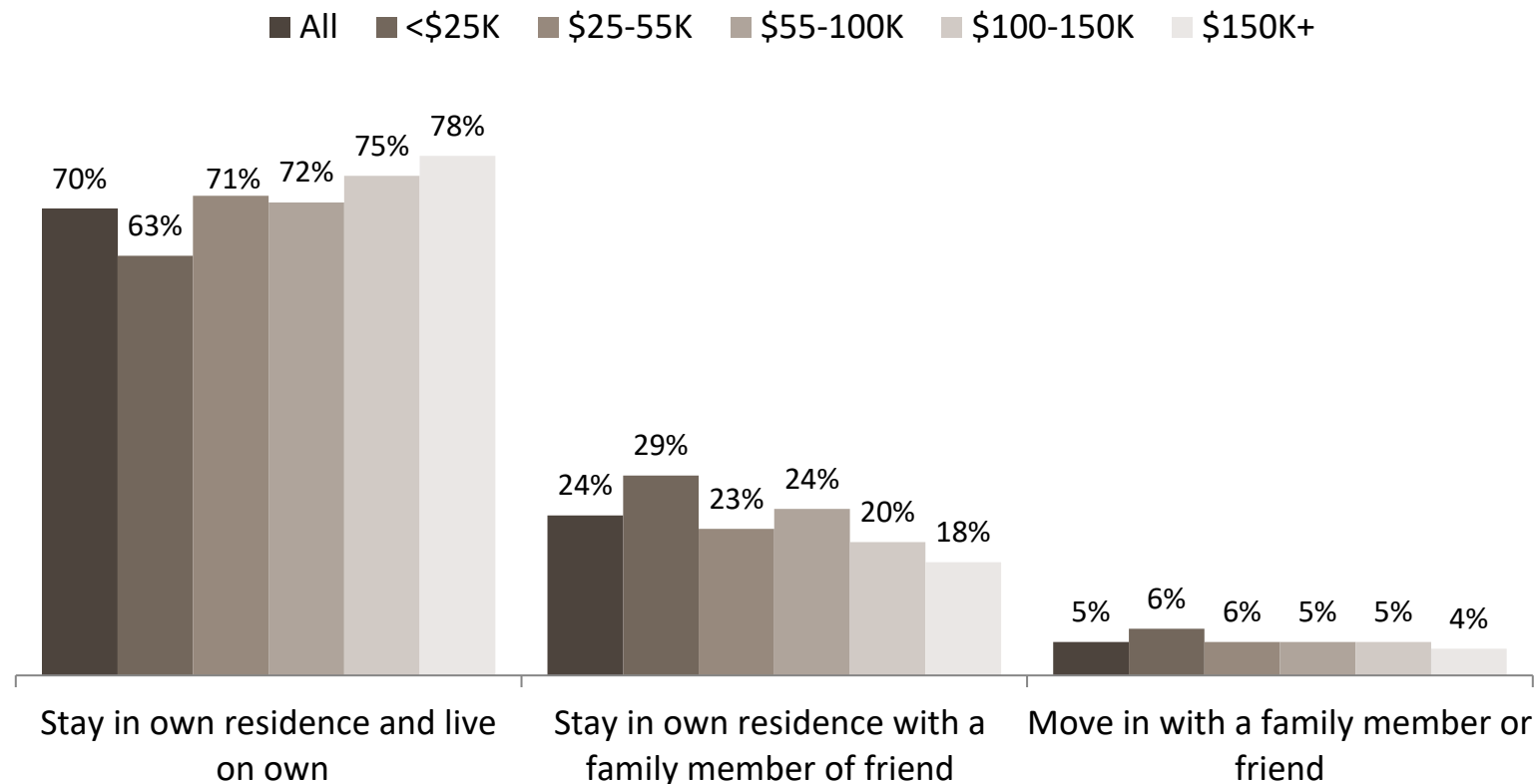
Gen Z is more likely to want to live on their own in their residence than other generations who prefer living with a friend or family in their residence



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Lower income adults are more likely to prefer to live on their own in their residence rather than with a friend or family member

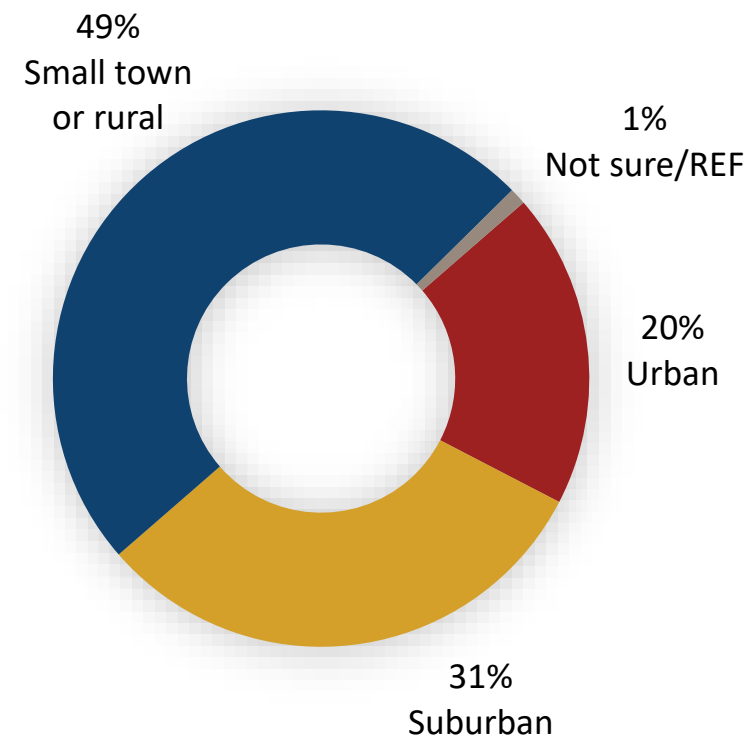


Q9: If you had a choice, [in your future years as an older adult] what type of living arrangement would you most prefer to live in?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

About five in ten adults want to live in a small town or rural area, while three in ten want to live in a suburban area and two in ten want to live in an urban area

Type of location	
An urban area with a mix of offices, shops, and residences nearby	11%
An urban area that is mostly residential	8%
A suburban area with a mix of offices, shops, and residences nearby	18%
A suburban area that is mostly residential	13%
A small town where homes, offices, and shops are a short driving or walkable distance from one another	31%
A rural area where homes, offices, and shops are far away from one another	18%



Q10: [Thinking about your future years as an older adult,] What type of location would you most prefer to live in?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Adults age 50 and older are more likely to live in small towns

	All	Age 18-49	Age 50+	Age 65+
An urban area with a mix of offices, shops, and residences nearby	11%	12%	11%	10%
An urban area that is mostly residential	8%	8%	8%	7%
A suburban area with a mix of offices, shops, and residences nearby	17%	20%	15%	13%
A suburban area that is mostly residential	13%	13%	14%	15%
A small town where homes, offices, and shops are a short driving or walkable distance from one another	31%	28%	35%	36%
A rural area where homes, offices, and shops are far away from one another	18%	19%	17%	16%

Q10: [Thinking about your future years as an older adult,] What type of location would you most prefer to live in?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Black, Asian American and Hispanic adults prefer urban areas, while White adults prefer rural areas

	All	White, non-Hispanic	Black, non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Asian American, non-Hispanic
An urban area with a mix of offices, shops, and residences nearby	11%	9%	14%	15%	16%
An urban area that is mostly residential	8%	6%	12%	13%	8%
A suburban area with a mix of offices, shops, and residences nearby	17%	17%	16%	14%	27%
A suburban area that is mostly residential	13%	12%	20%	13%	20%
A small town where homes, offices, and shops are a short driving or walkable distance from one another	31%	32%	26%	33%	24%
A rural area where homes, offices, and shops are far away from one another	18%	23%	11%	9%	4%

Q10: [Thinking about your future years as an older adult,] What type of location would you most prefer to live in?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

LGBTQ adults are more likely to prefer urban areas, and less preferential to suburban areas that are mostly residential

	All	Non-LGBTQ	LGBTQ
An urban area with a mix of offices, shops, and residences nearby	11%	11%	18%
An urban area that is mostly residential	8%	8%	8%
A suburban area with a mix of offices, shops, and residences nearby	17%	17%	23%
A suburban area that is mostly residential	13%	13%	8%
A small town where homes, offices, and shops are a short driving or walkable distance from one another	31%	31%	28%
A rural area where homes, offices, and shops are far away from one another	18%	18%	14%

Q10: [Thinking about your future years as an older adult,] What type of location would you most prefer to live in?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Women are more likely to live in small towns and men are more likely to live in rural areas

	All	Male	Female
An urban area with a mix of offices, shops, and residences nearby	11%	10%	12%
An urban area that is mostly residential	8%	9%	7%
A suburban area with a mix of offices, shops, and residences nearby	17%	15%	19%
A suburban area that is mostly residential	13%	14%	13%
A small town where homes, offices, and shops are a short driving or walkable distance from one another	31%	28%	34%
A rural area where homes, offices, and shops are far away from one another	18%	24%	13%

Q10: [Thinking about your future years as an older adult,] What type of location would you most prefer to live in?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

There are not large generational differences for preferred future type of location

	All	Gen Z	Gen Y	Gen X	Boomers	Silent
An urban area with a mix of offices, shops, and residences nearby	11%	13%	12%	11%	10%	8%
An urban area that is mostly residential	8%	10%	8%	9%	6%	13%
A suburban area with a mix of offices, shops, and residences nearby	17%	21%	19%	17%	16%	11%
A suburban area that is mostly residential	13%	13%	13%	12%	15%	16%
A small town where homes, offices, and shops are a short driving or walkable distance from one another	31%	26%	26%	32%	35%	37%
A rural area where homes, offices, and shops are far away from one another	18%	15%	21%	18%	17%	9%

Q10: [Thinking about your future years as an older adult,] What type of location would you most prefer to live in?

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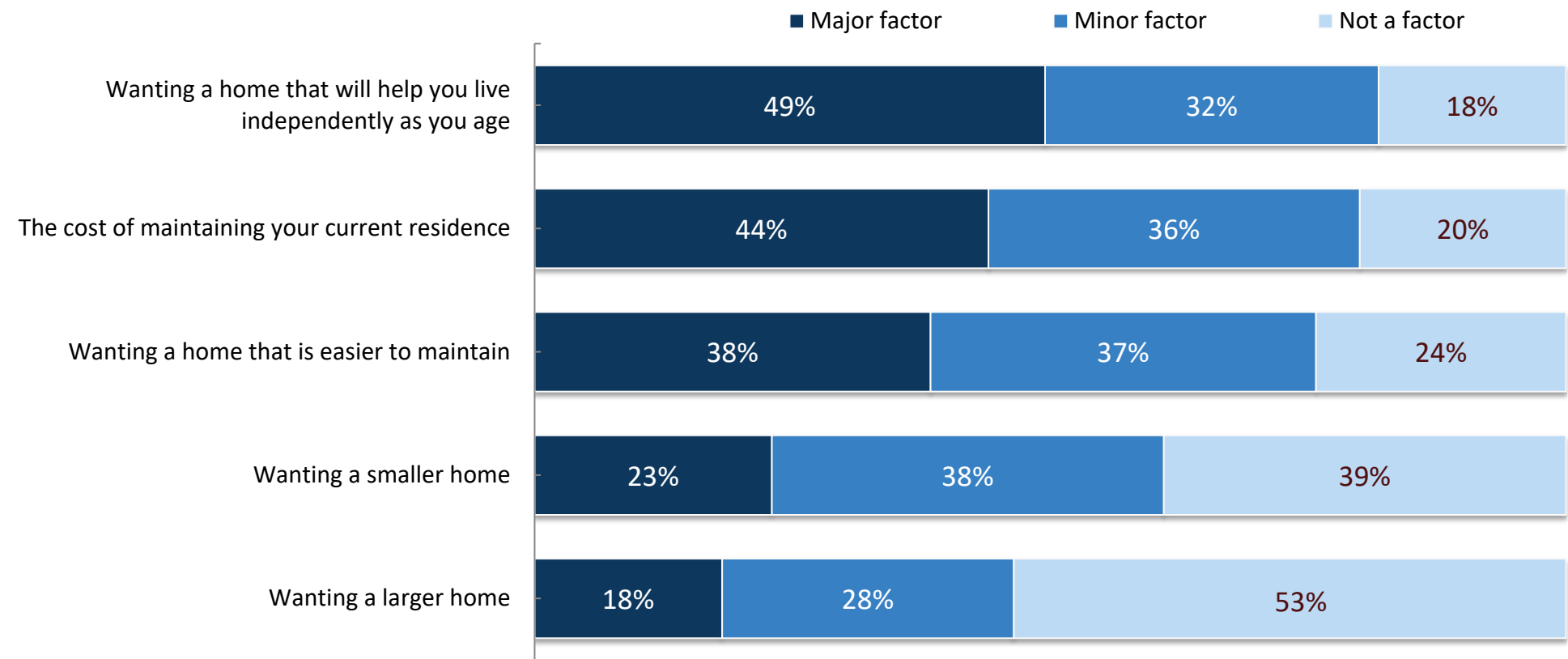
Wealthier adults prefer urban or suburban areas, while lower income adults prefer rural areas

	All	<\$25K	\$25-55K	\$55-100K	\$100-150K	\$150K+
An urban area with a mix of offices, shops, and residences nearby	11%	14%	9%	11%	8%	17%
An urban area that is mostly residential	8%	8%	10%	8%	5%	6%
A suburban area with a mix of offices, shops, and residences nearby	17%	11%	17%	16%	26%	26%
A suburban area that is mostly residential	13%	11%	12%	16%	13%	17%
A small town where homes, offices, and shops are a short driving or walkable distance from one another	31%	33%	31%	33%	29%	24%
A rural area where homes, offices, and shops are far away from one another	18%	21%	20%	16%	18%	10%

Q10: [Thinking about your future years as an older adult,] What type of location would you most prefer to live in?

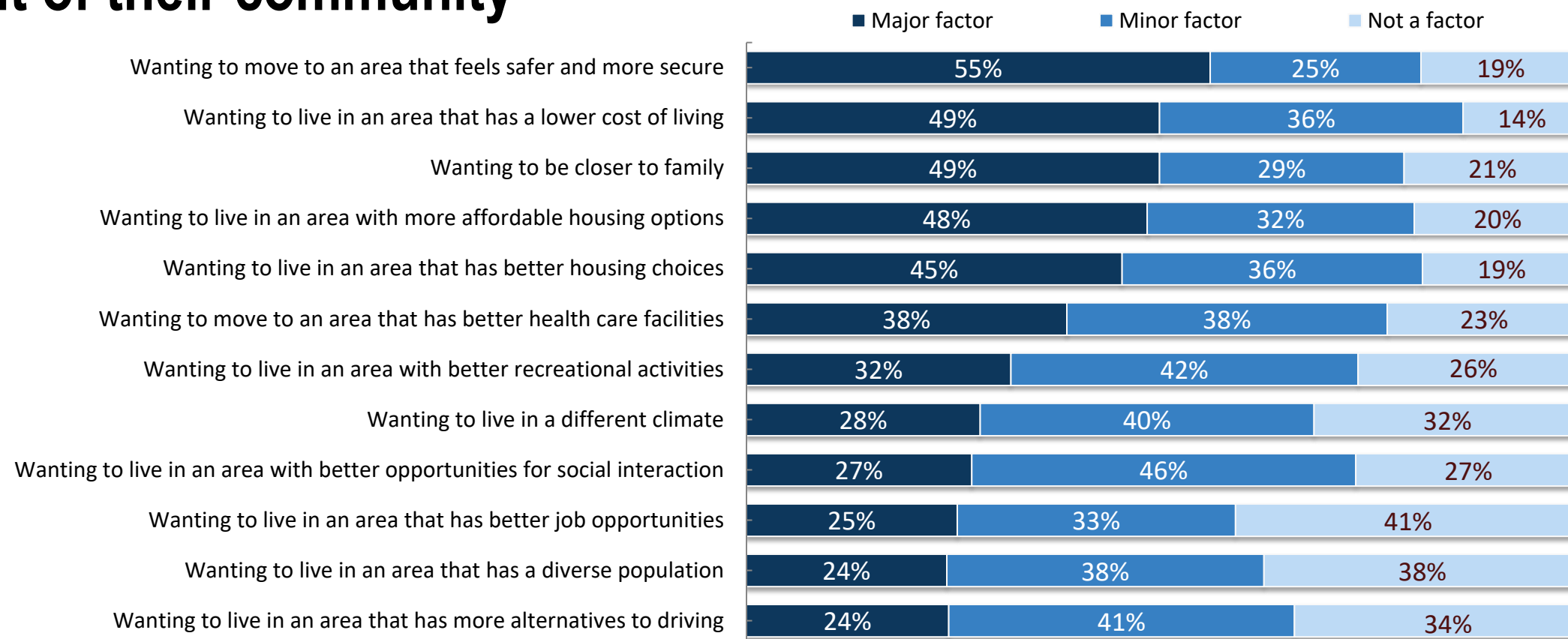
Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Half of adults say a home that would help them live independently would be a major factor if they were to consider moving out of their current residence



Q11: If you were to consider moving out of your current residence, how much of a factor would the following be in your decision to move?
 Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

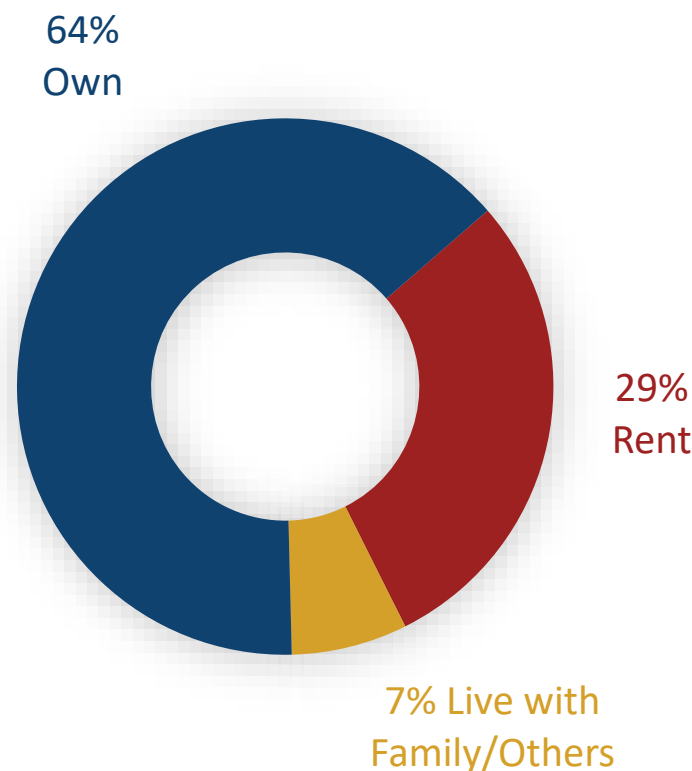
A safer area, lower cost of living, affordable housing, and being closer to family are the top factors to consider moving out of their community



Q12: If you were to consider moving out of your current community, how much of a factor would the following be in your decision to move?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Over six in ten adults are homeowners living in single family homes



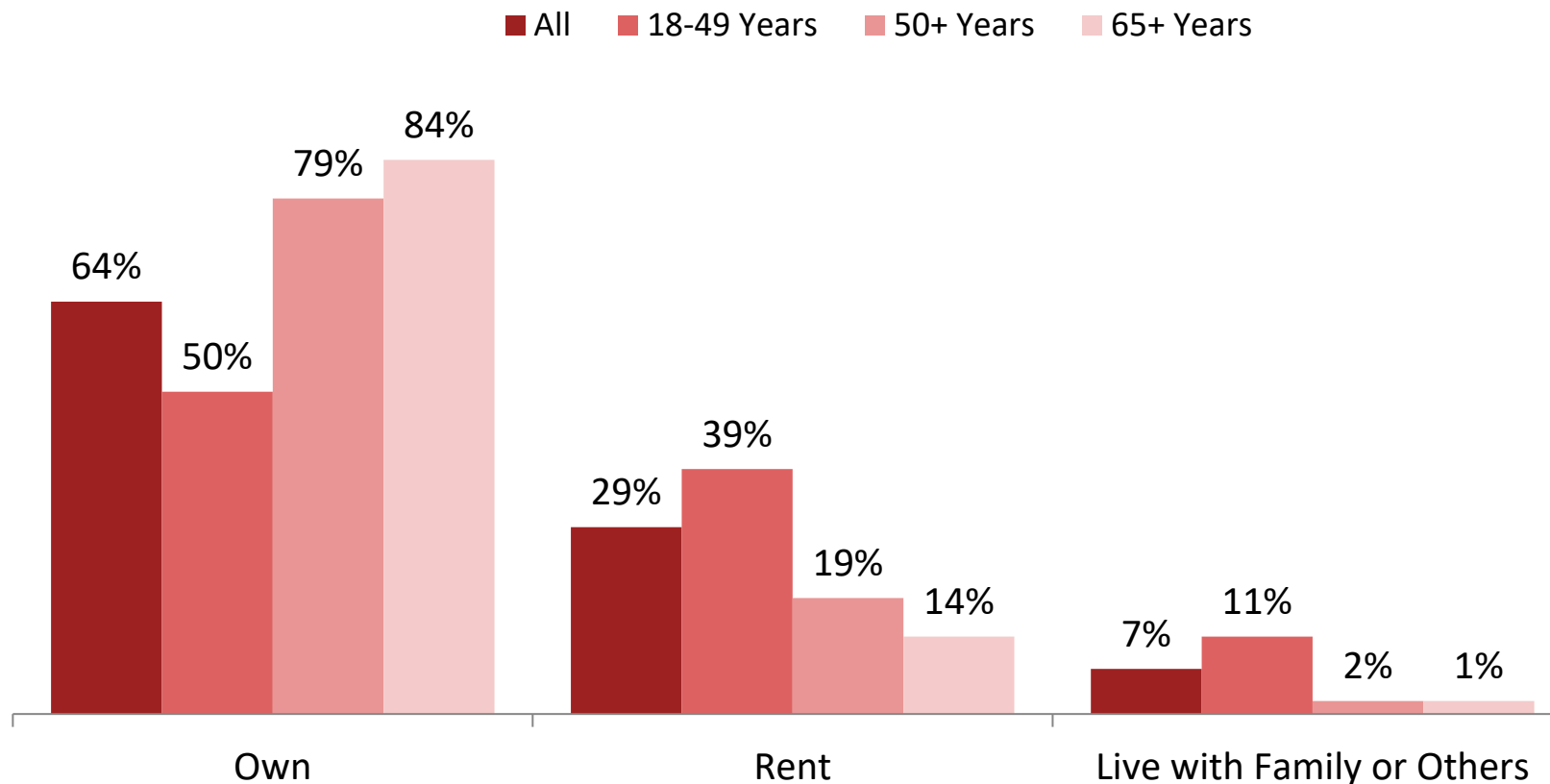
Type of Home	
A single family house	67%
An apartment or condominium	16%
A mobile home	7%
A two family house or a lot that has two separate living units	4%
A townhouse or row house	5%
Senior housing or assisted living facility	1%

Q20: Which of the following types of homes best describes where you currently live?

Q21: Do you own or rent your residence?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

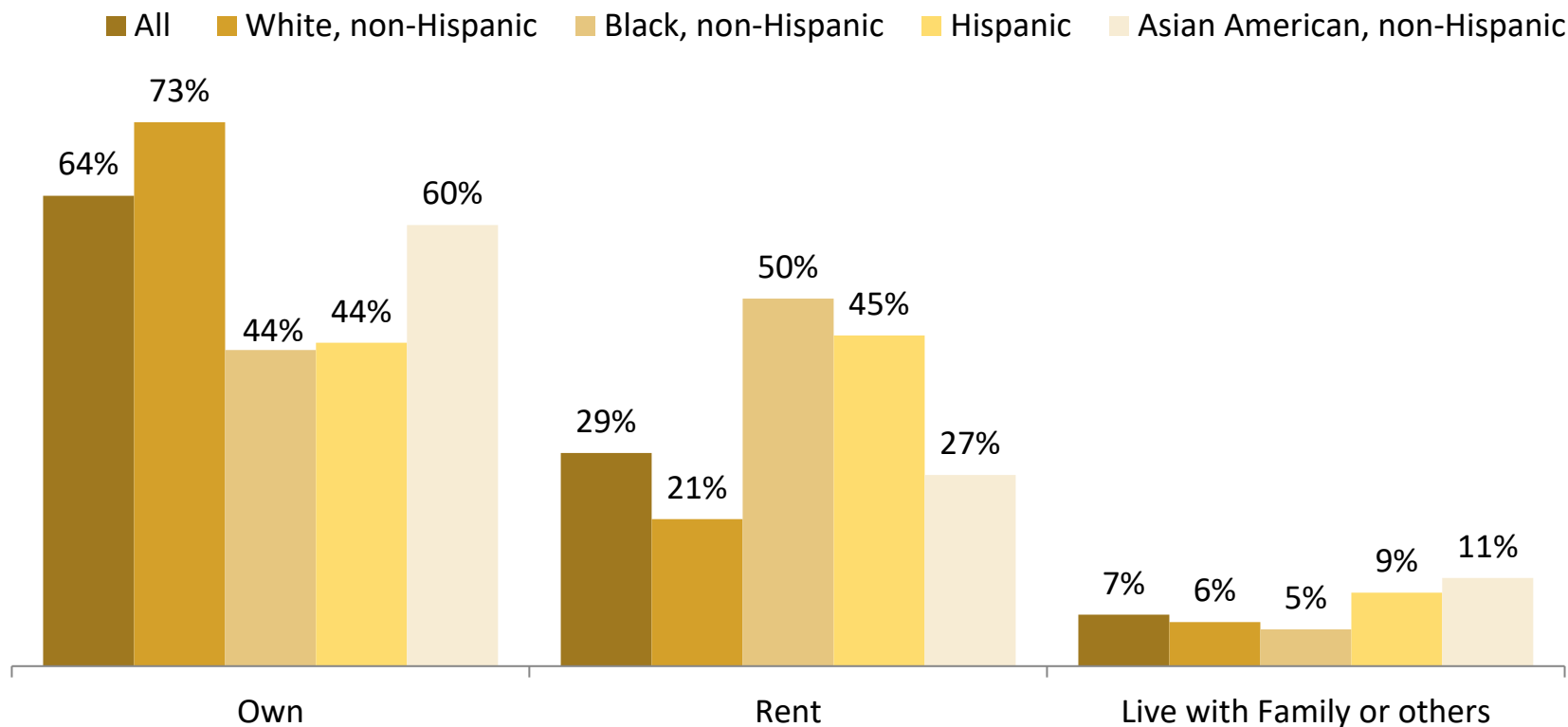
Adults age 50 and older and 65 and older are more likely to be homeowners than adults ages 18-49



Q21: Do you own or rent your residence?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

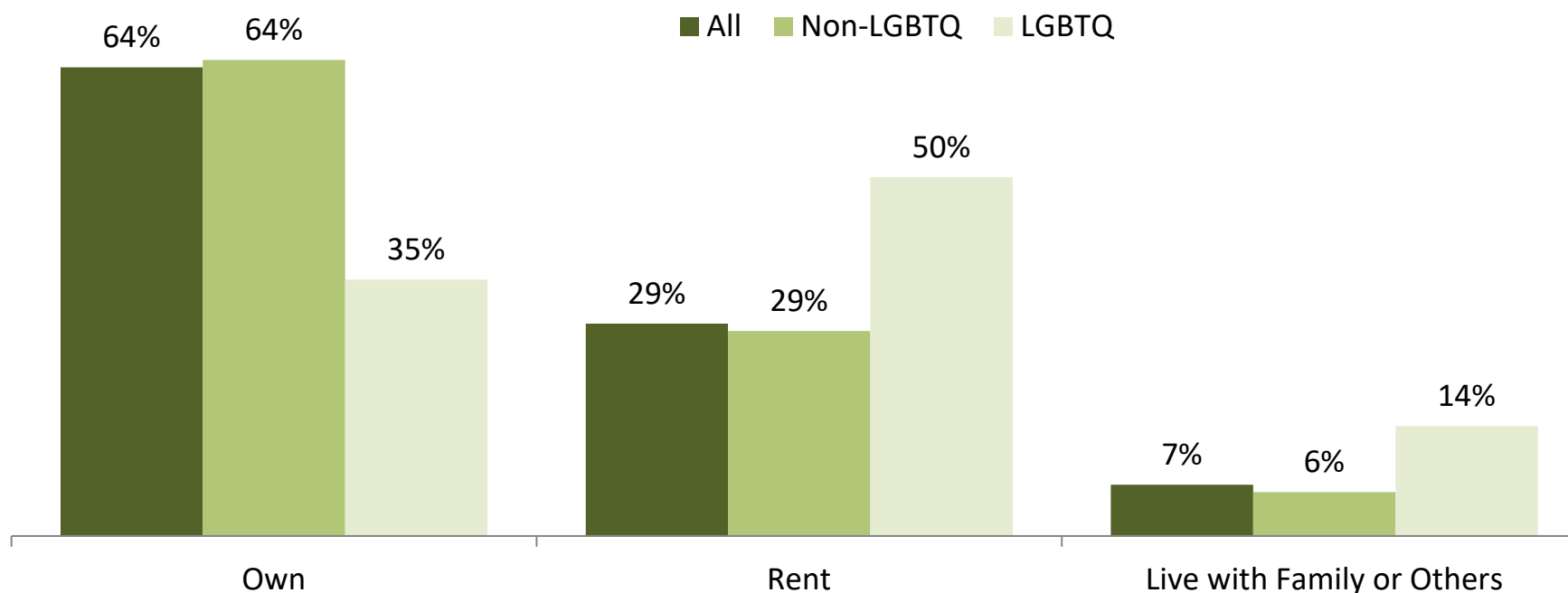
Hispanic and Black adults are less likely than whites to be homeowners and more likely to be living with family or others



Q21: Do you own or rent your residence?

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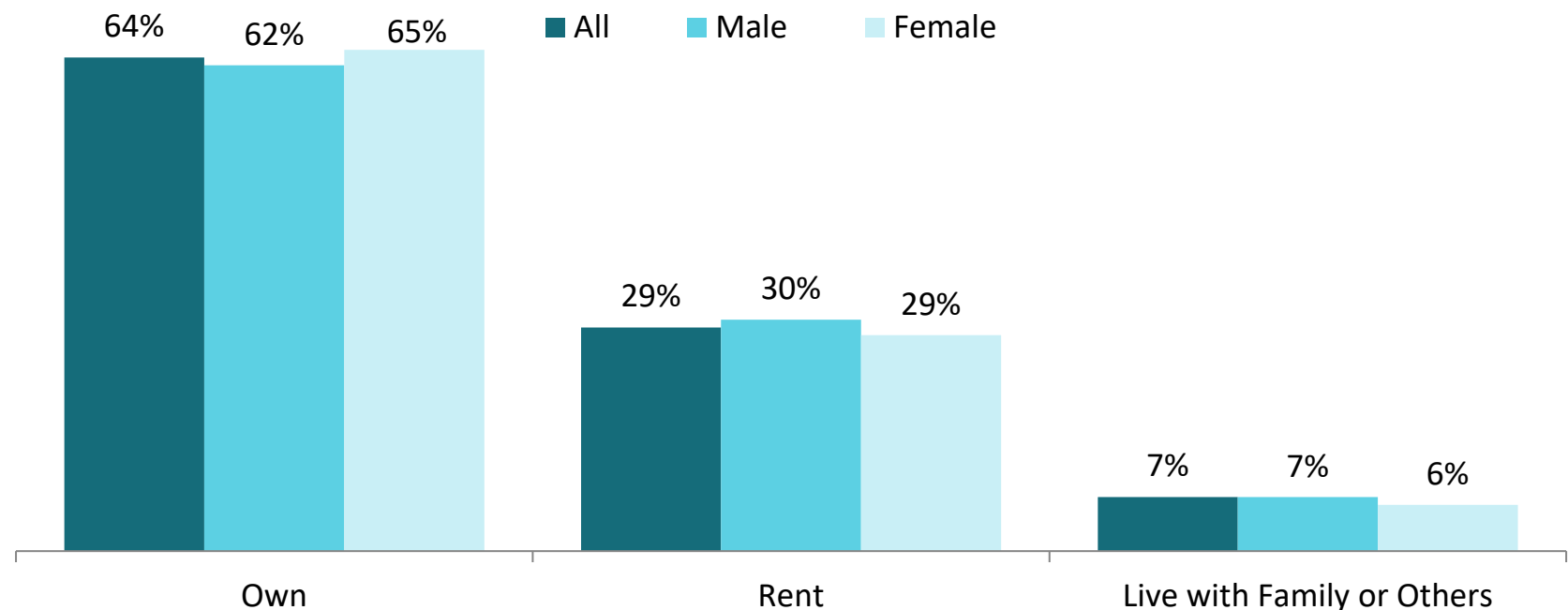
LGBTQ adults are more likely to rent or live with family or others, and less likely to own than non-LGBTQ adults



Q21: Do you own or rent your residence?

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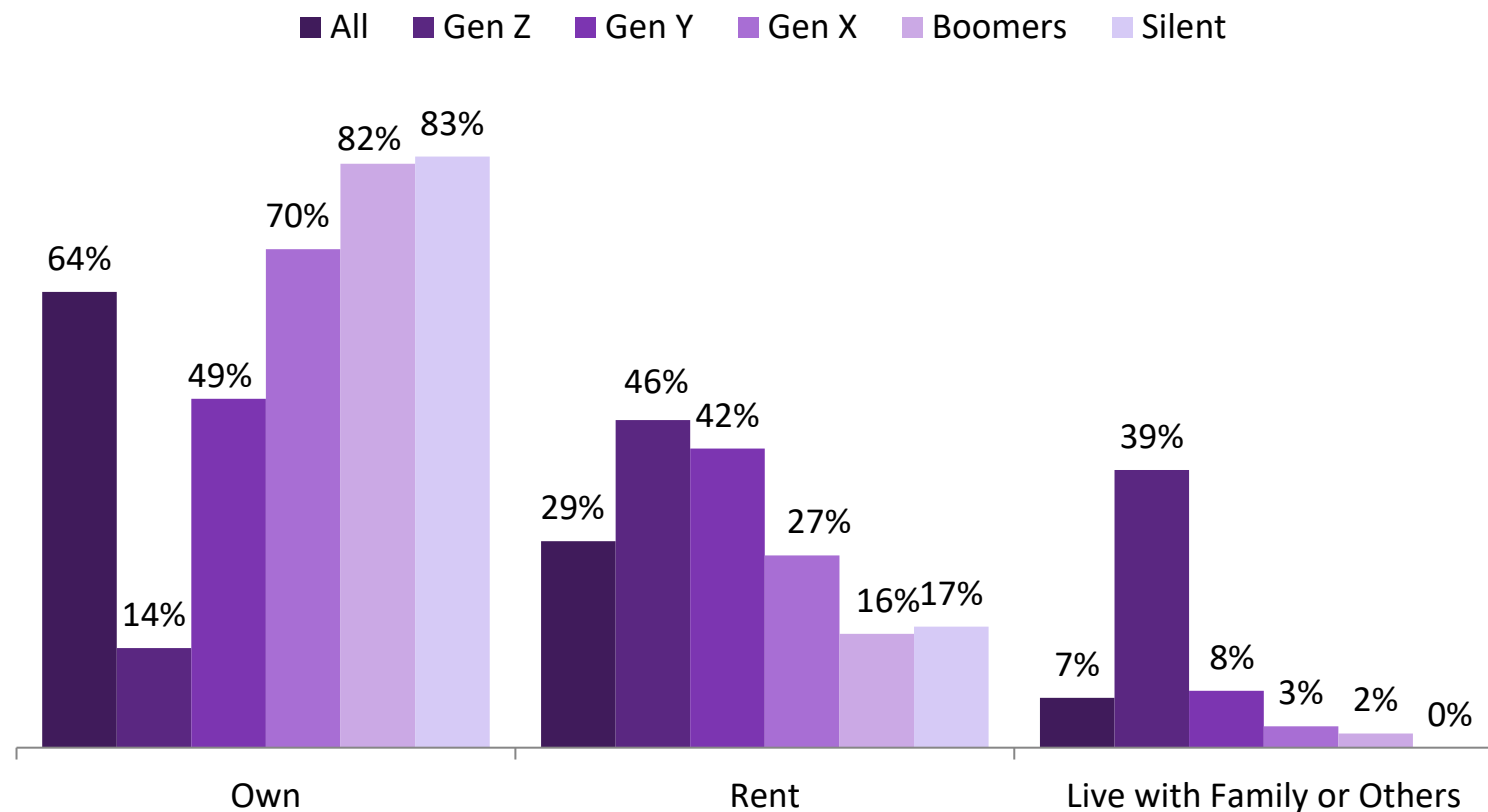
Men and women have similar levels of owning, renting, and living with family/others



Q21: Do you own or rent your residence?

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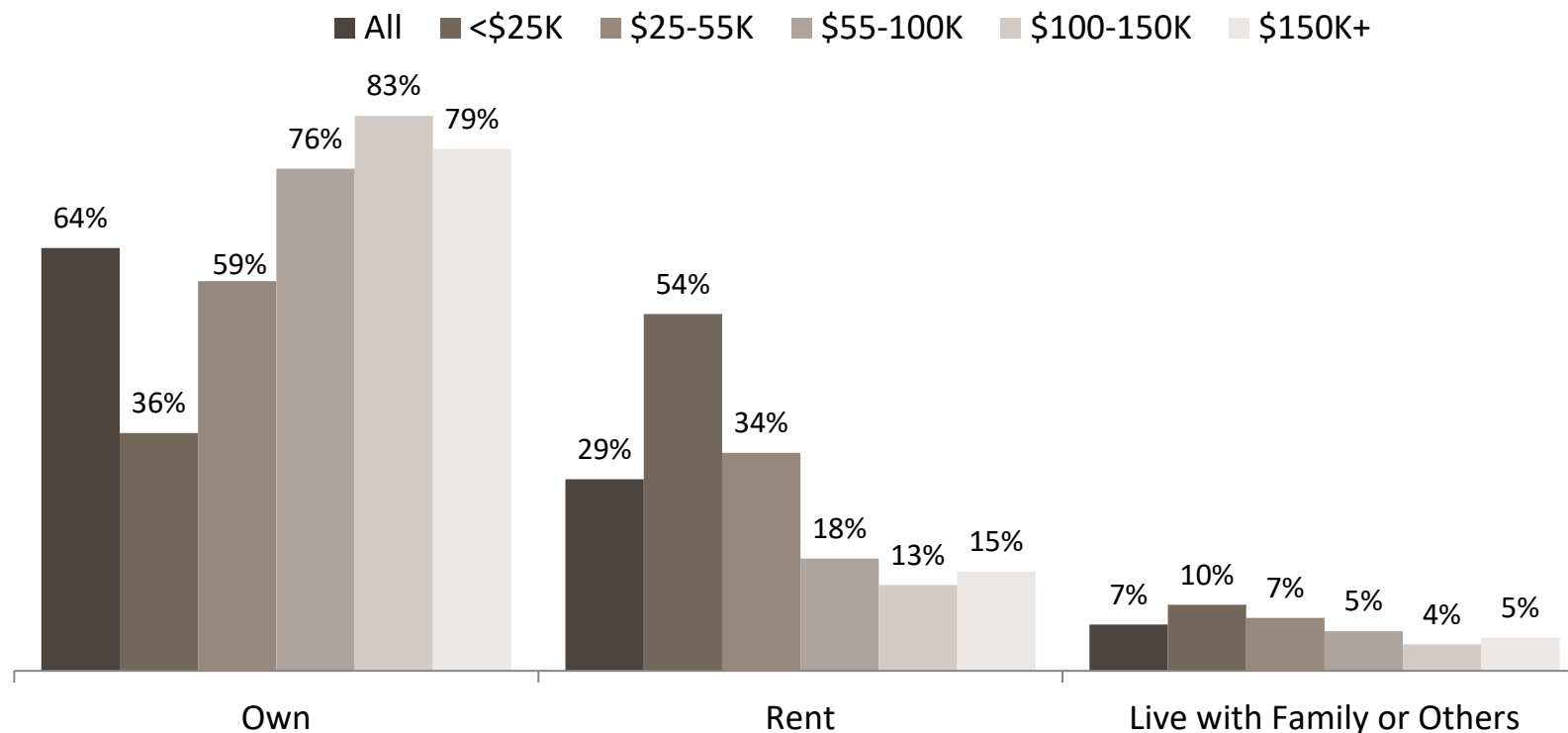
Older generations are more likely to own their residences, while younger generations are more likely to rent; Generation Z is most likely to live with family or others



Q21: Do you own or rent your residence?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

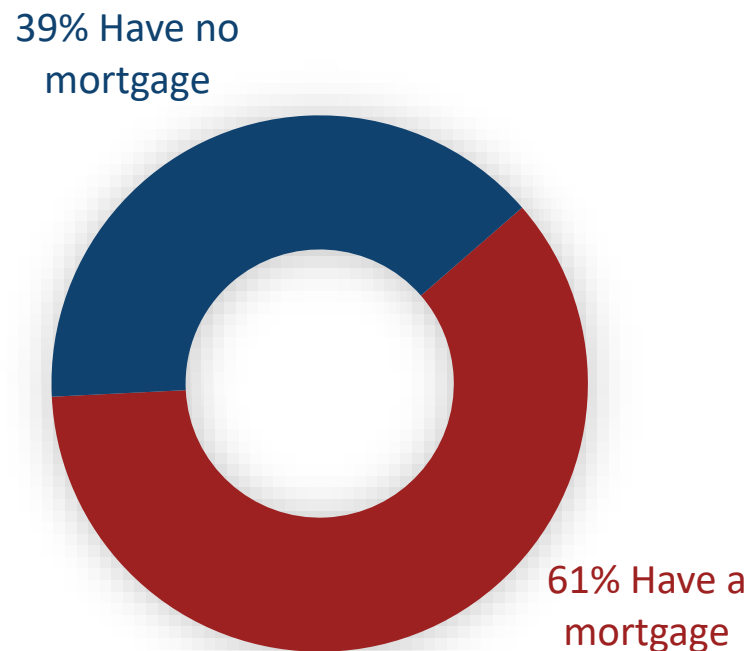
Adults with the lowest income level are less likely than all other income levels to own and more likely to rent



Q21: Do you own or rent your residence?

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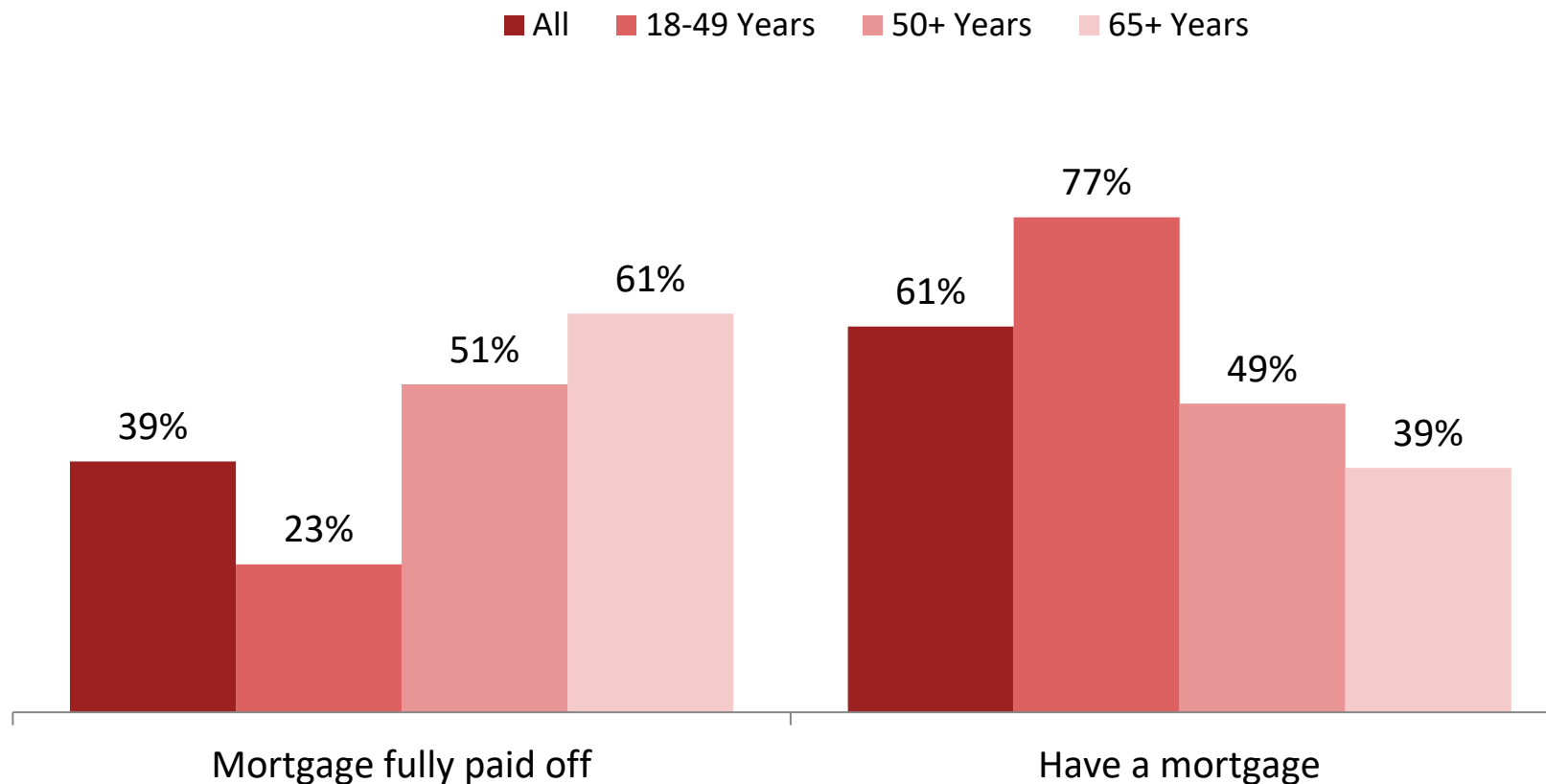
Among those who own their residence, six in ten have a mortgage; less than two in five have paid off their home



Q22: [Among those who own their residence] Do you currently have a mortgage on your residence or is your residence fully paid for?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

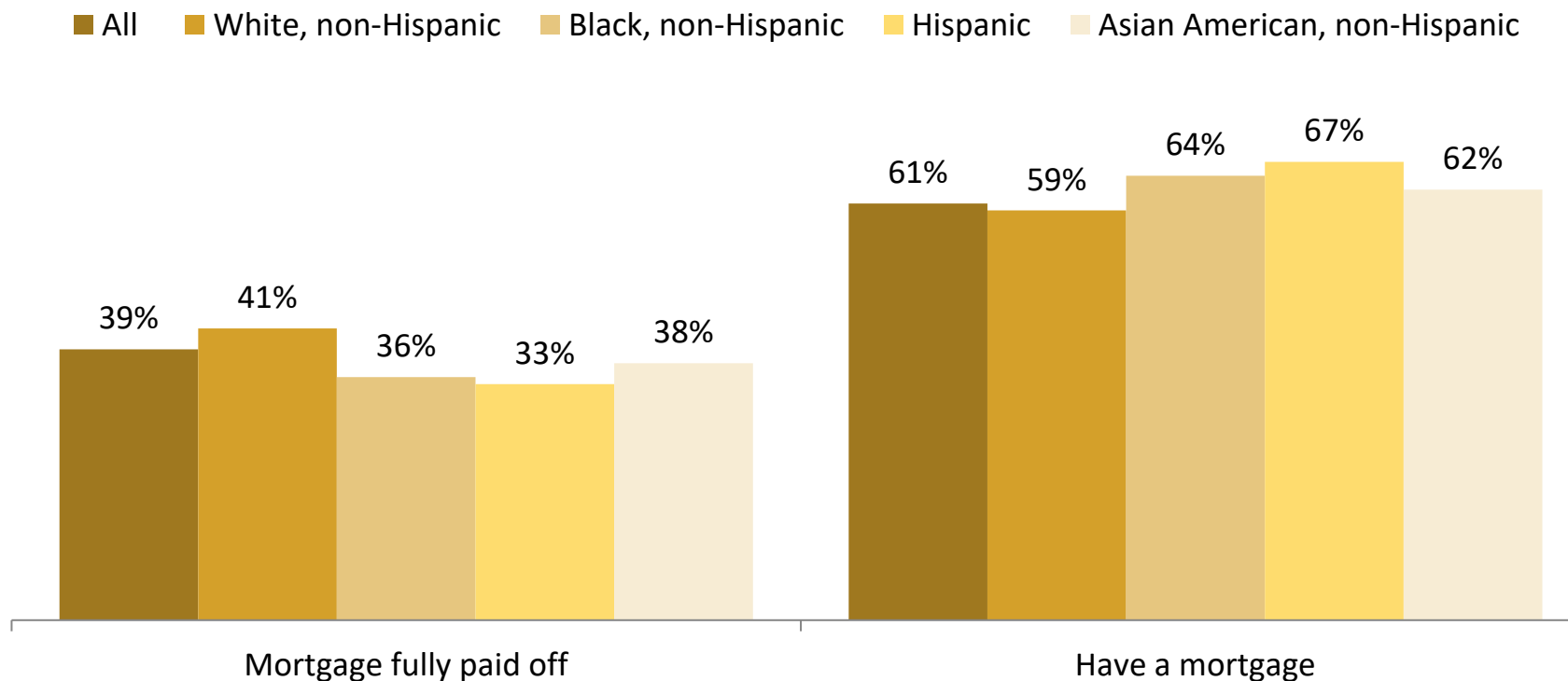
Homeowners age 50 and older and 65 and older are more likely to have fully paid off their home than homeowners ages 18-49



Q12 [Among those who own their residence] Do you currently have a mortgage on your residence or is your residence fully paid for?

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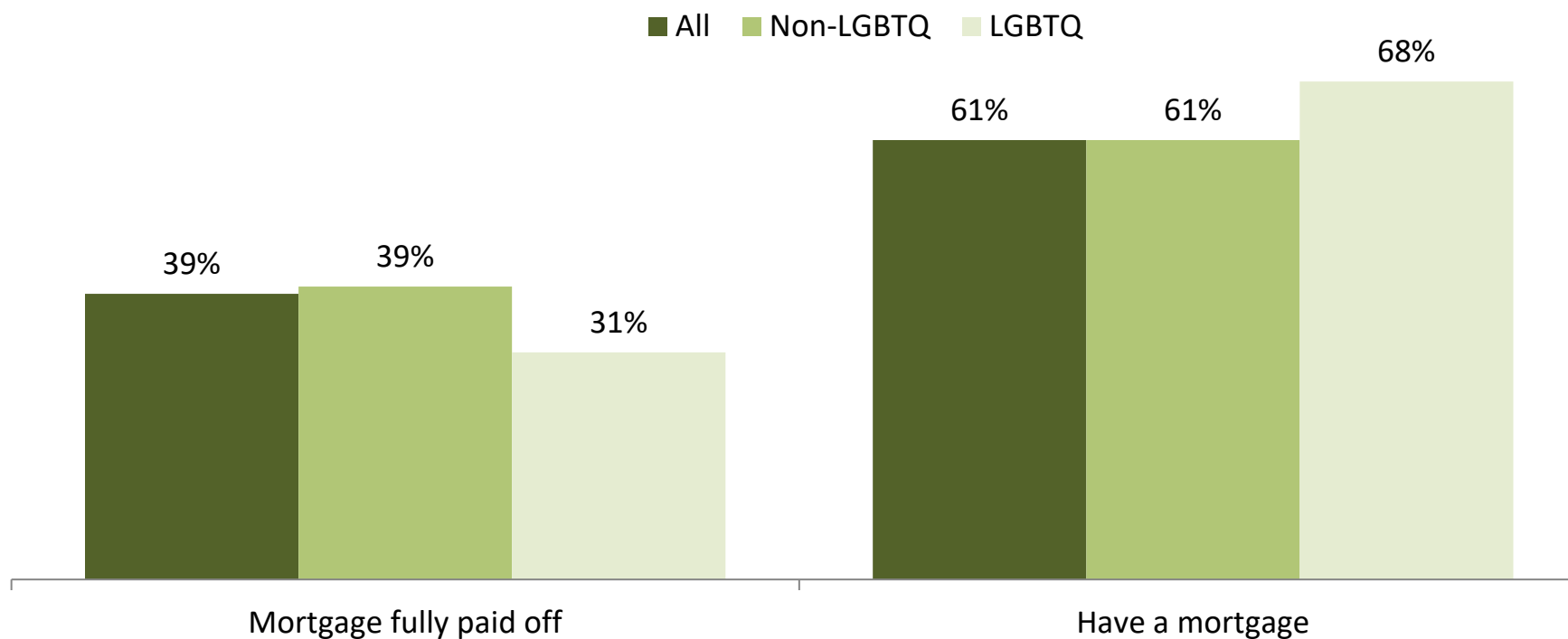
Hispanic and Black adults are less likely to have a mortgage



Q22: [Among those who own their residence] Do you currently have a mortgage on your residence or is your residence fully paid for?

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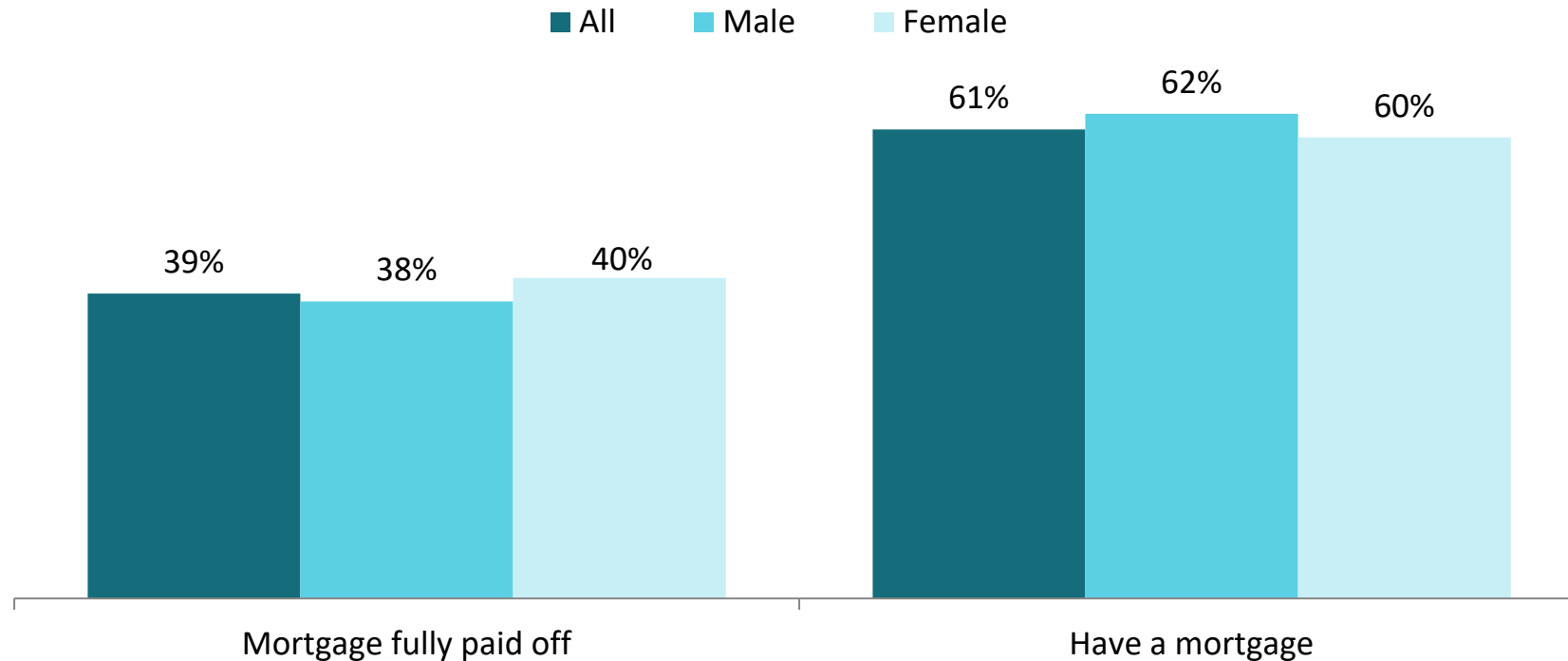
LGBTQ adults are more likely to still have a mortgage to pay off than non-LGBTQ adults



Q22: [Among those who own their residence] Do you currently have a mortgage on your residence or is your residence fully paid for?

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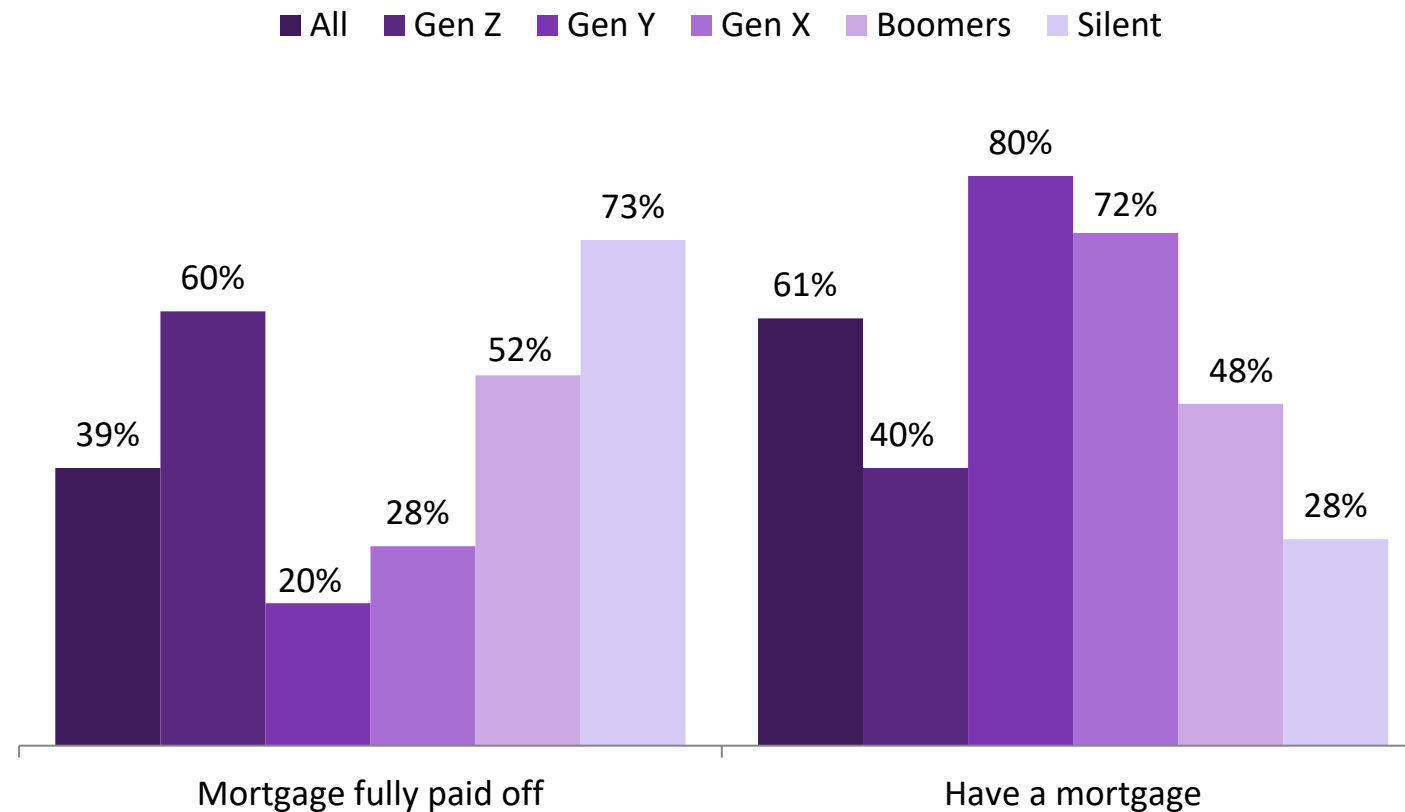
Men and women homeowners have similar levels of having their mortgage paid off



Q22 [Among those who own their residence] Do you currently have a mortgage on your residence or is your residence fully paid for?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Older generations who own their residences are more likely to have their home fully paid off, while younger generations are more likely to have a mortgage

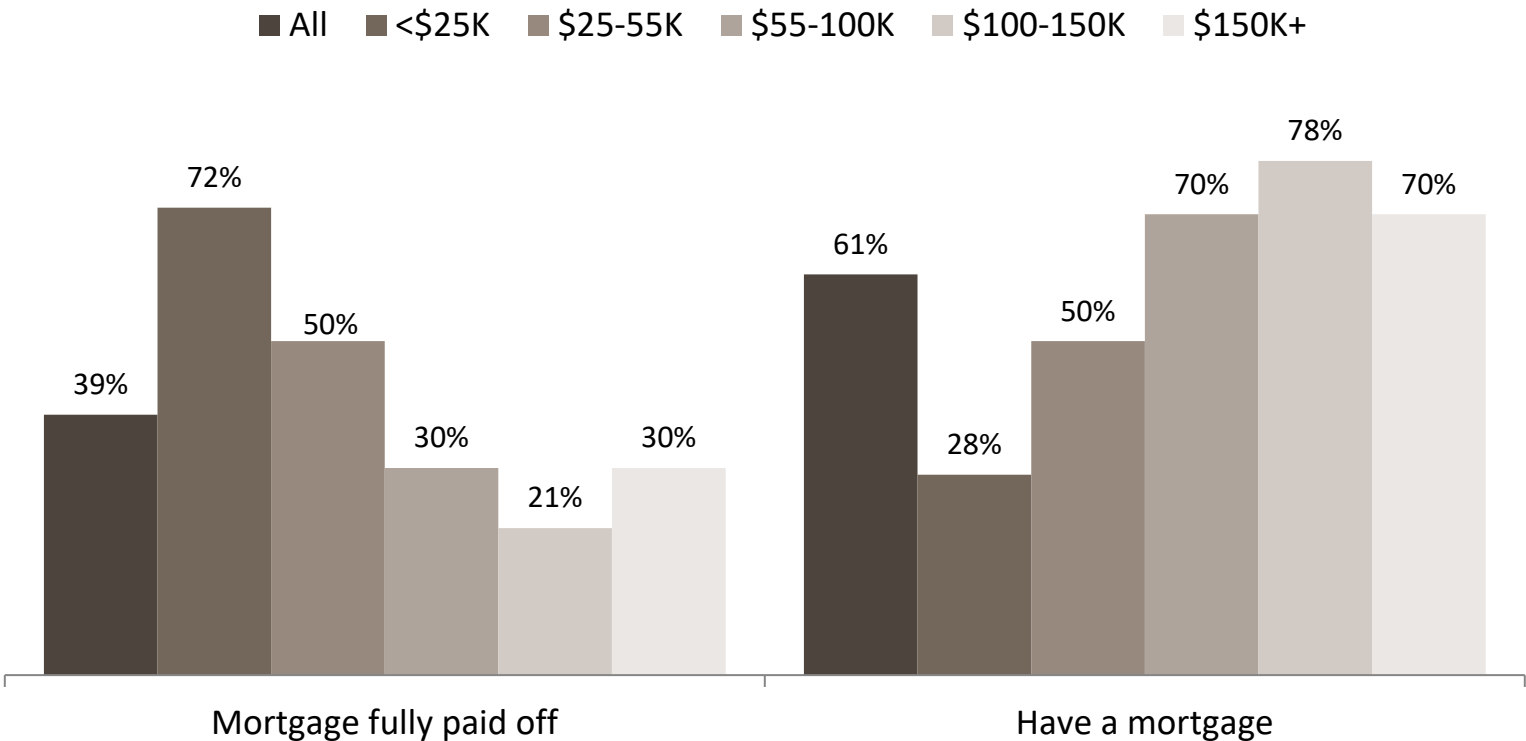


*Gen Z has very small base N size, ineligible for significance testing or analysis

Q22: [Among those who own their residence] Do you currently have a mortgage on your residence or is your residence fully paid for?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Although they are less likely to own a home, adults with lower income levels are more likely to have their mortgage fully paid off



Q22: [Among those who own their residence] Do you currently have a mortgage on your residence or is your residence fully paid for?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Most homes have a bedroom and/or bathroom on the main level and easy outdoor access

Home Features	
A bedroom, or a room that could be used as one, on the main level	82%
A full bath on the main level	80%
A sidewalk or walkway in front of my home that allows easy access to a driveway and/or the street	77%
A half bath on the main level	48%
Doorways that are wider than the standard width, at least 32 inches	45%
An entrance without steps	38%

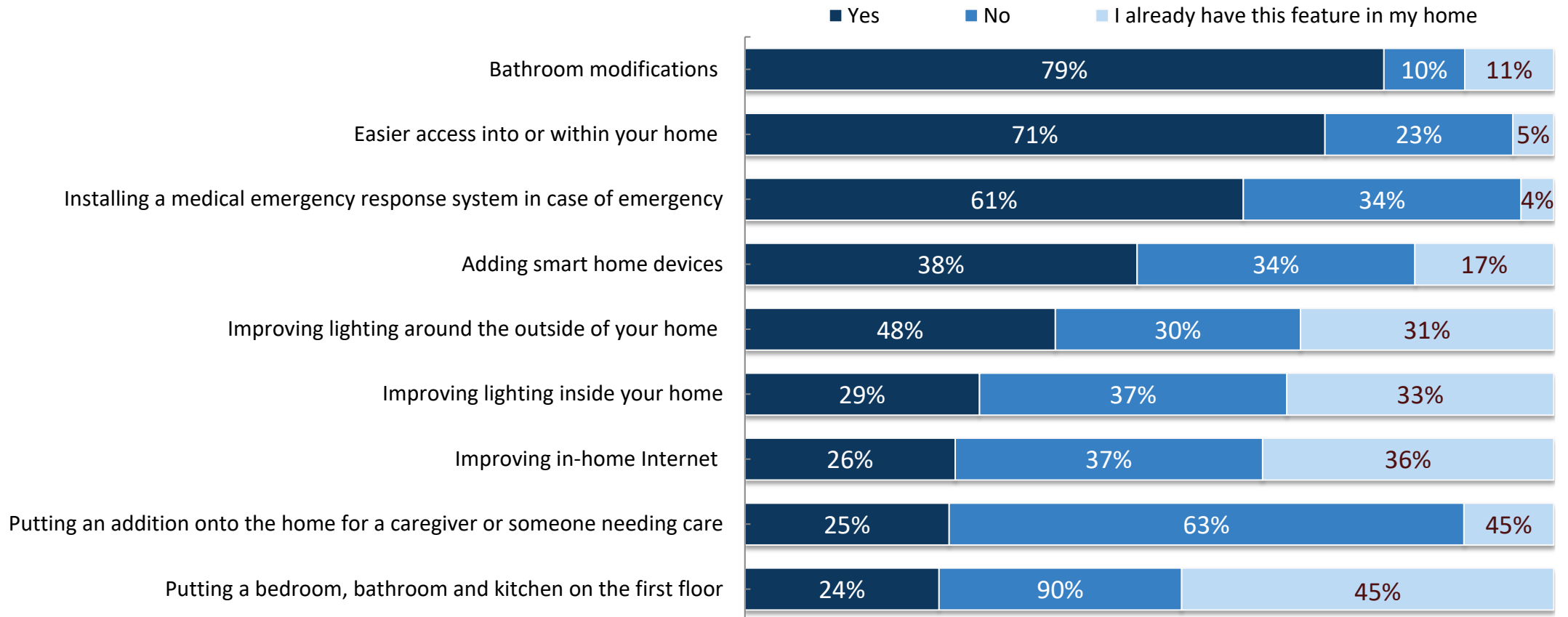
34% of adults say they need to make major repairs, home modifications, or changes as themselves or family members age

Q19 Thinking about your current residence, does it have...?

Q23: Do you think you will need to make changes or modifications to your home to enable you or other family members to continue living in your home, when you or your family members reach an age when some physical assistance may be needed?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Among those who expect to make changes to their home as they age, more than seven in ten think they will need to modify bathrooms and/or home access



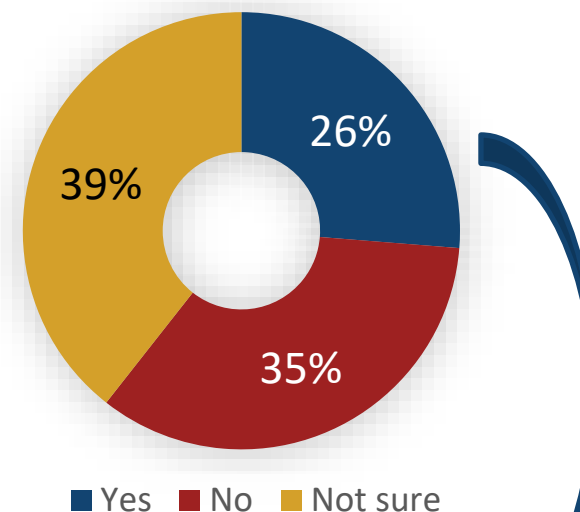
Q24: Do you think you will need to make the following types of modifications or improvements to your residence to enable you or a family member to stay there when you or your family members reach an age when some physical assistance may be needed?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Few currently have accessory dwelling units; however, nearly a third would consider building one

An Accessory Dwelling Unit, or ADU, is a residential unit built on the same lot as an existing single-family home and may be attached or detached to the home. It can be commonly referred to as a “granny flat” or “in-law quarters.” ADUs provide complete separate living quarters, including a kitchen and bathroom, that can allow older adults to age in their existing home with live-in care, make it possible for adults to assist their aging parents, other relatives and loved ones, or be used for rental income.

4%
Have an Accessory Dwelling Unit



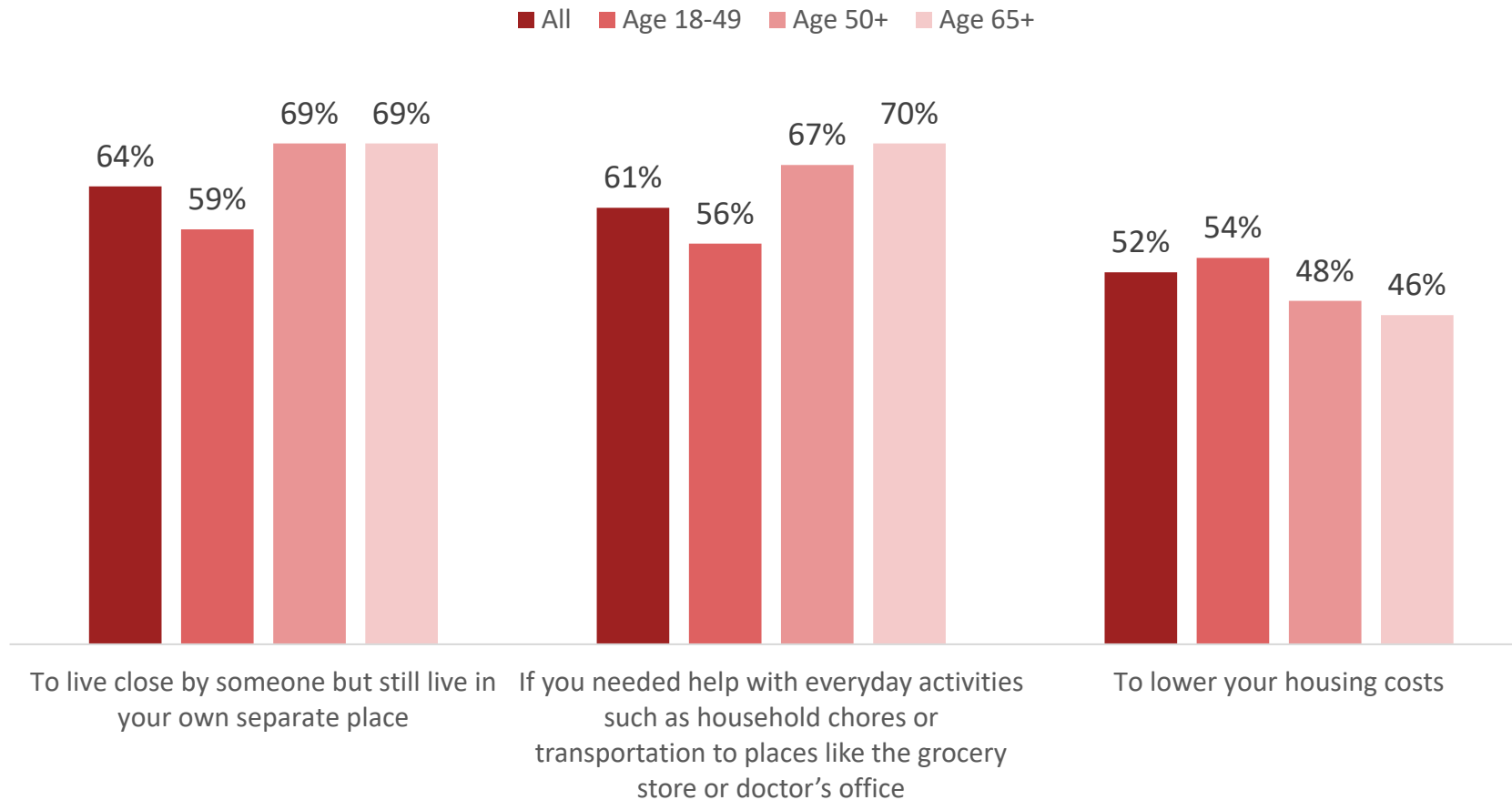
Nearly 1 in 3
would consider
building an ADU on
their property

Q26: Do you currently have an ADU on your property?

Q27: [Respondents who do not have an ADU on their property] If you had the space to create an ADU within your home or on your property, would you consider doing that?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

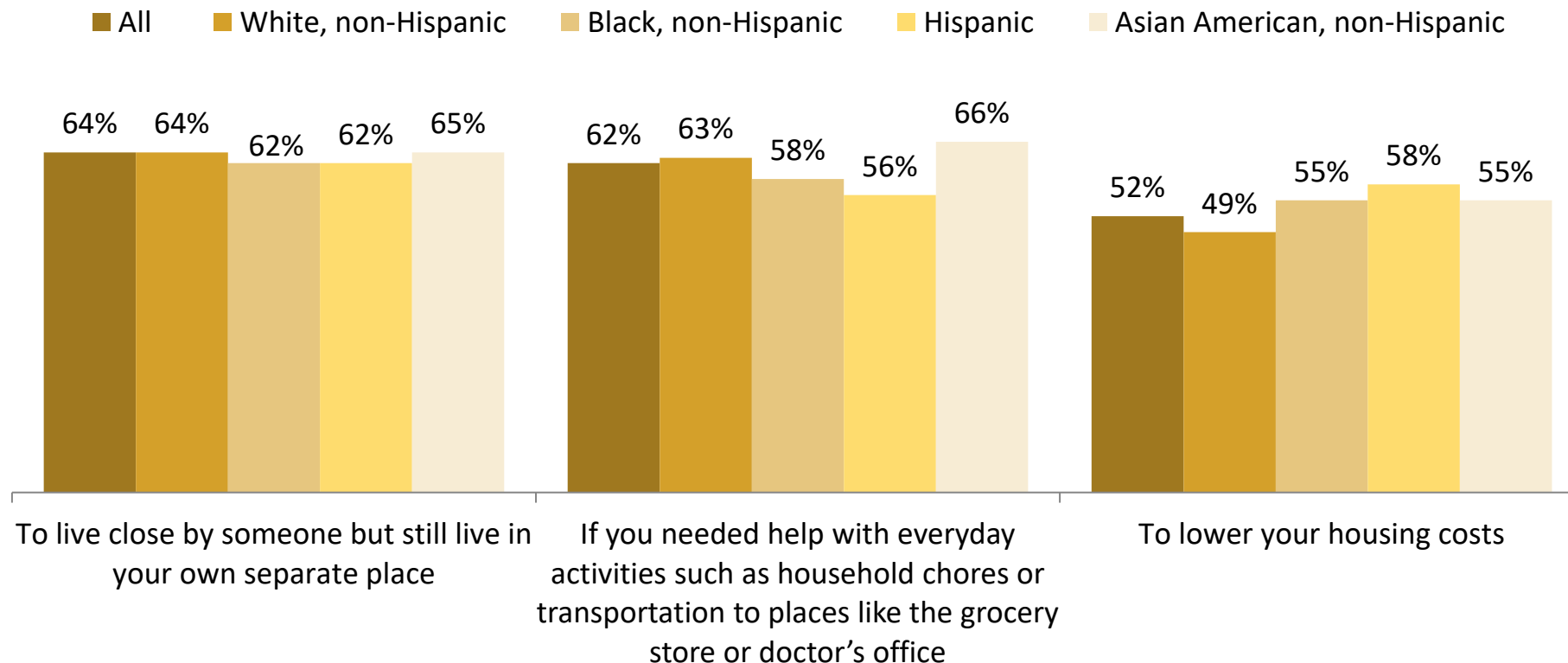
Adults ages 18-49 are more likely to consider living in an ADU for economic reasons than adults aged 65 and older



Q30: Would you consider living in an ADU...

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

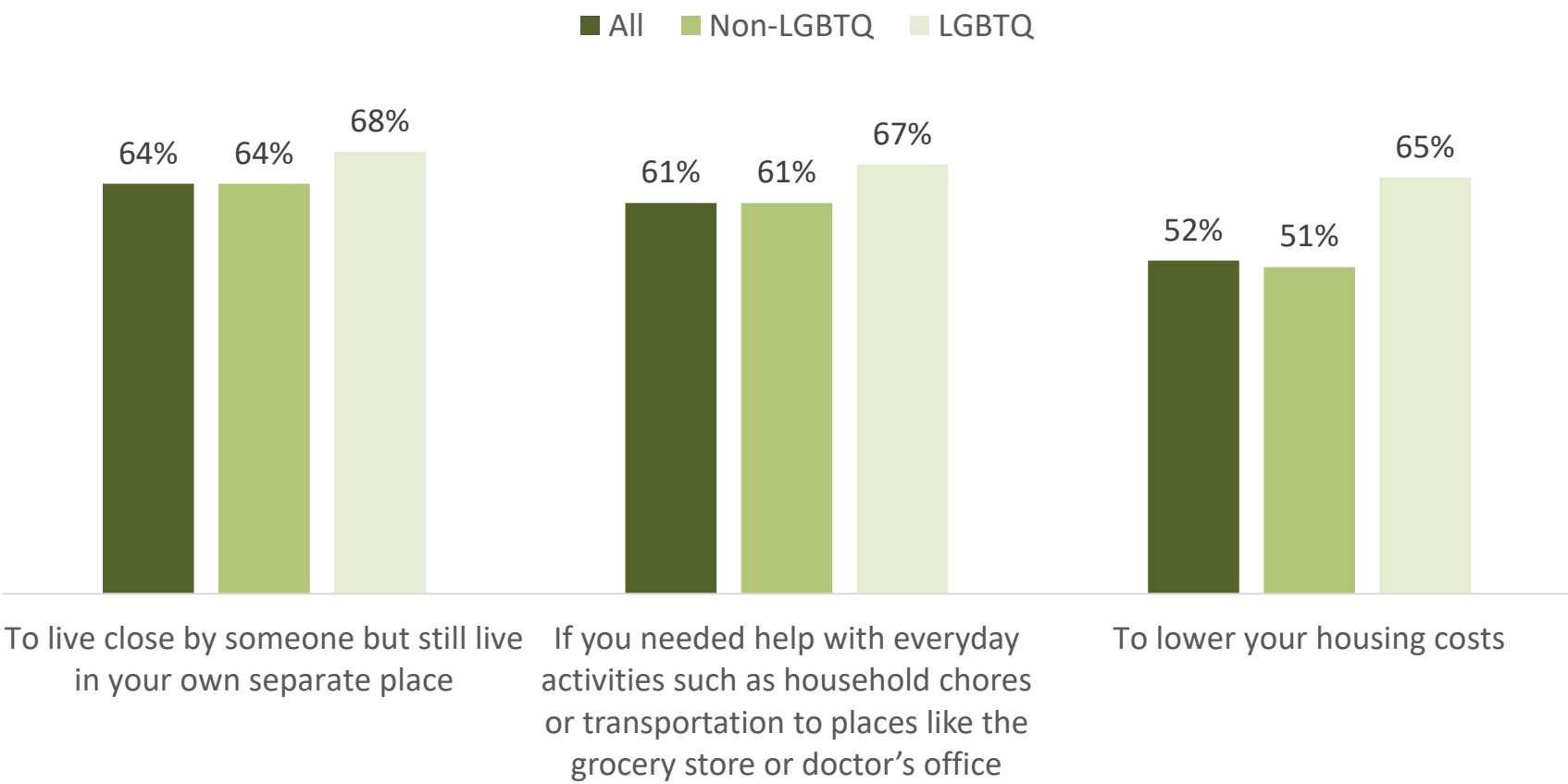
Considerations for living in an ADU are similar across race/ethnicity



Q30: Would you consider living in an ADU...

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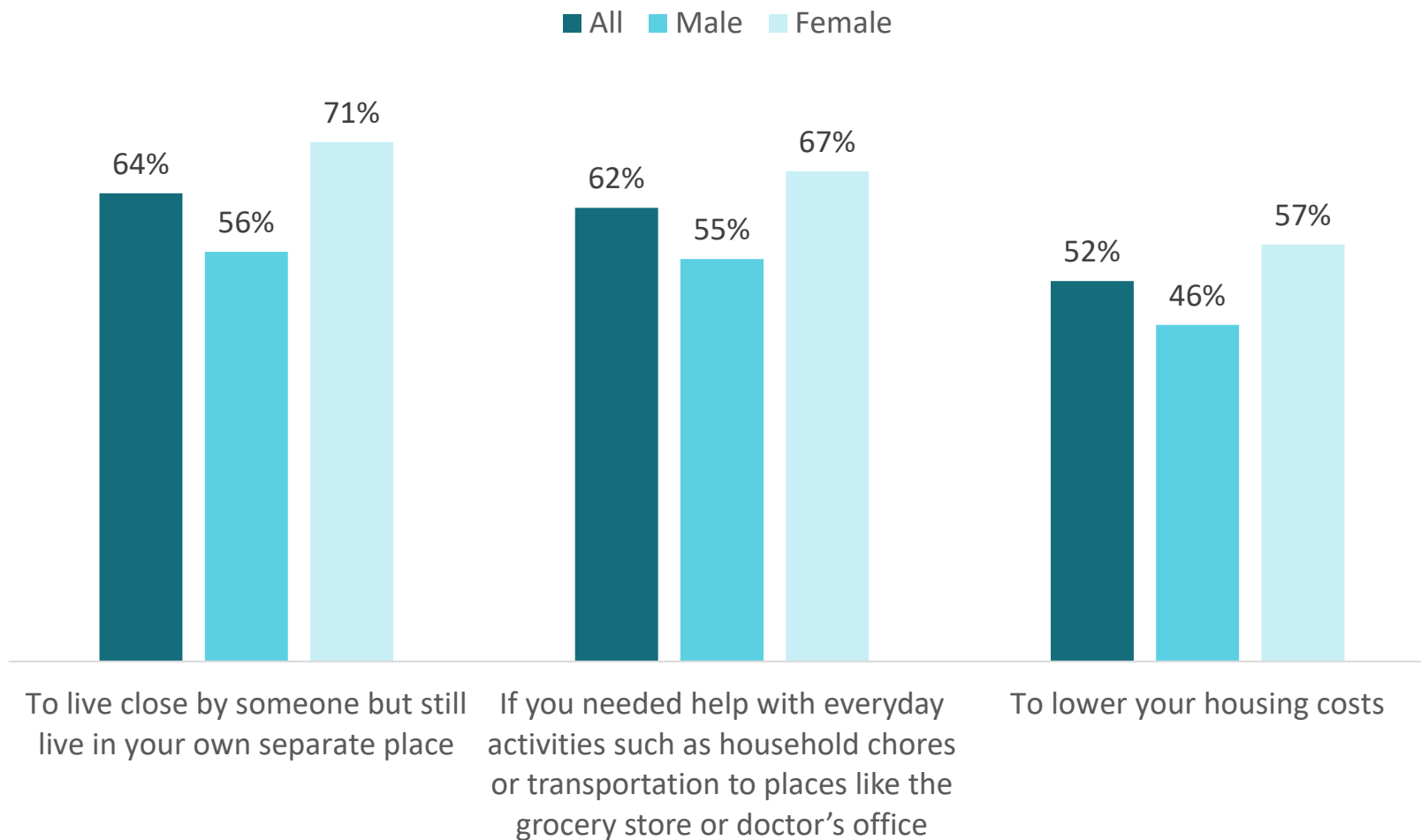
LGBTQ adults are more likely to say they would consider living in an ADU to lower their housing costs



Q30: Would you consider living in an ADU...

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

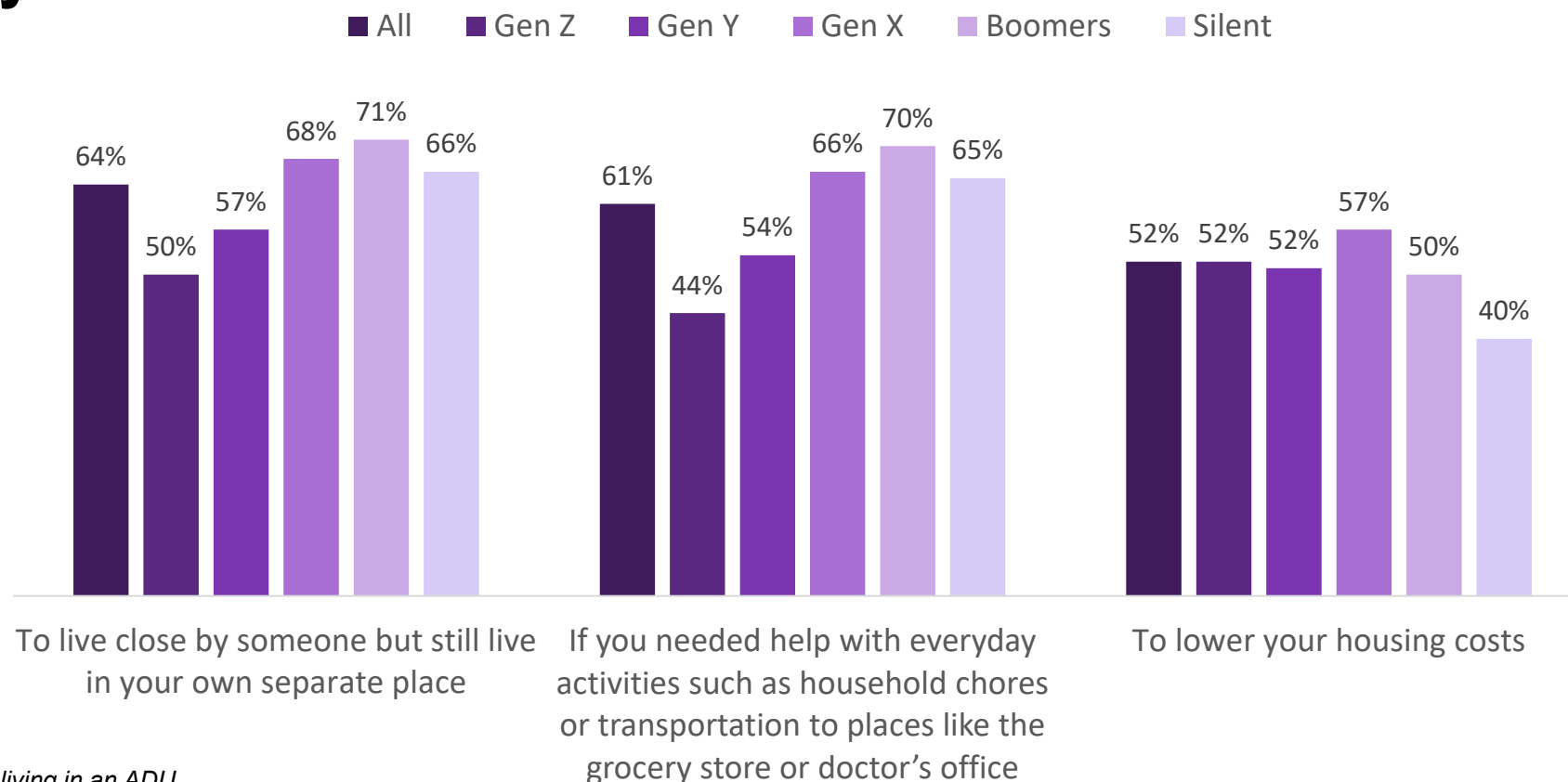
Men and women have similar considerations for living in an ADU



Q30: Would you consider living in an ADU...

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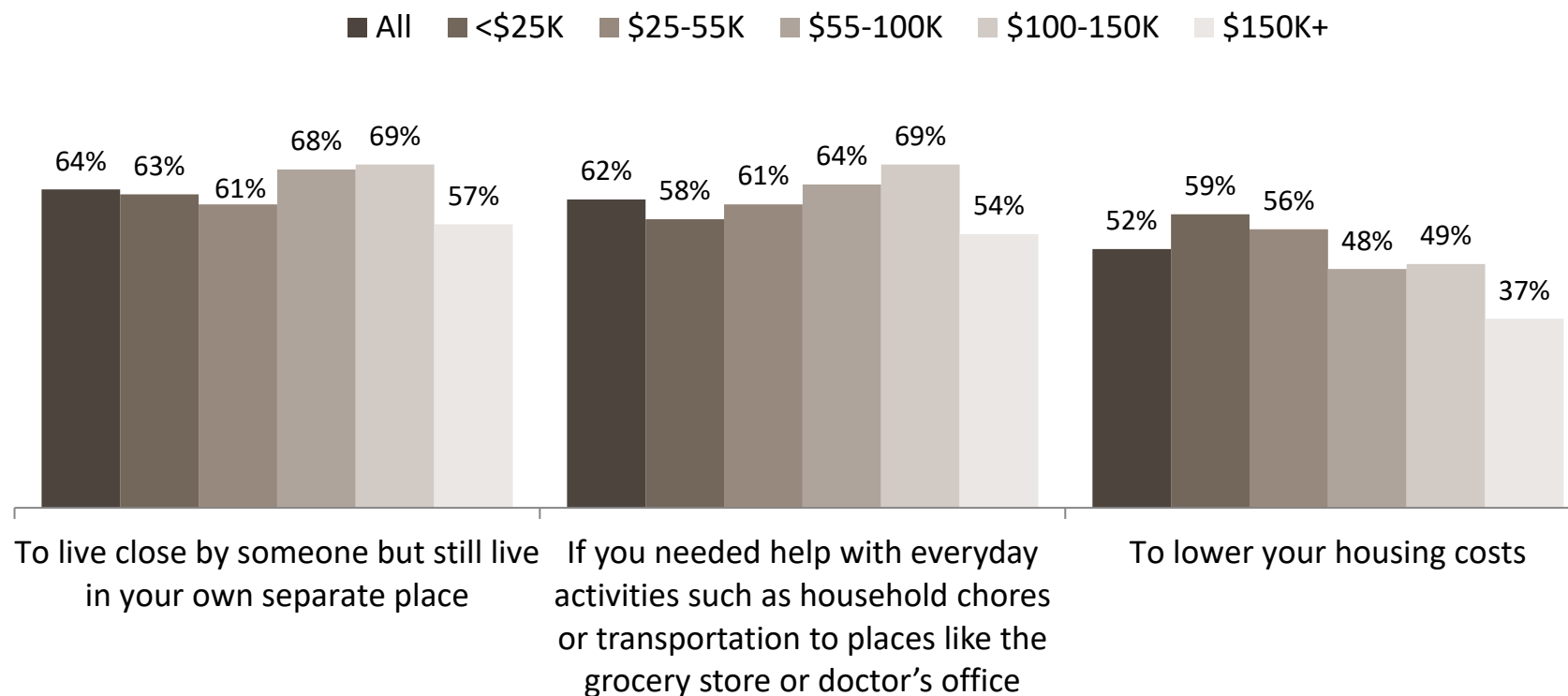
Silent generation is least likely to live in an ADU to lower housing costs; Generation Y, X, Baby Boomers, and Silent Generation are more likely to live in an ADU if they needed help with daily activities



Q30: Would you consider living in an ADU...

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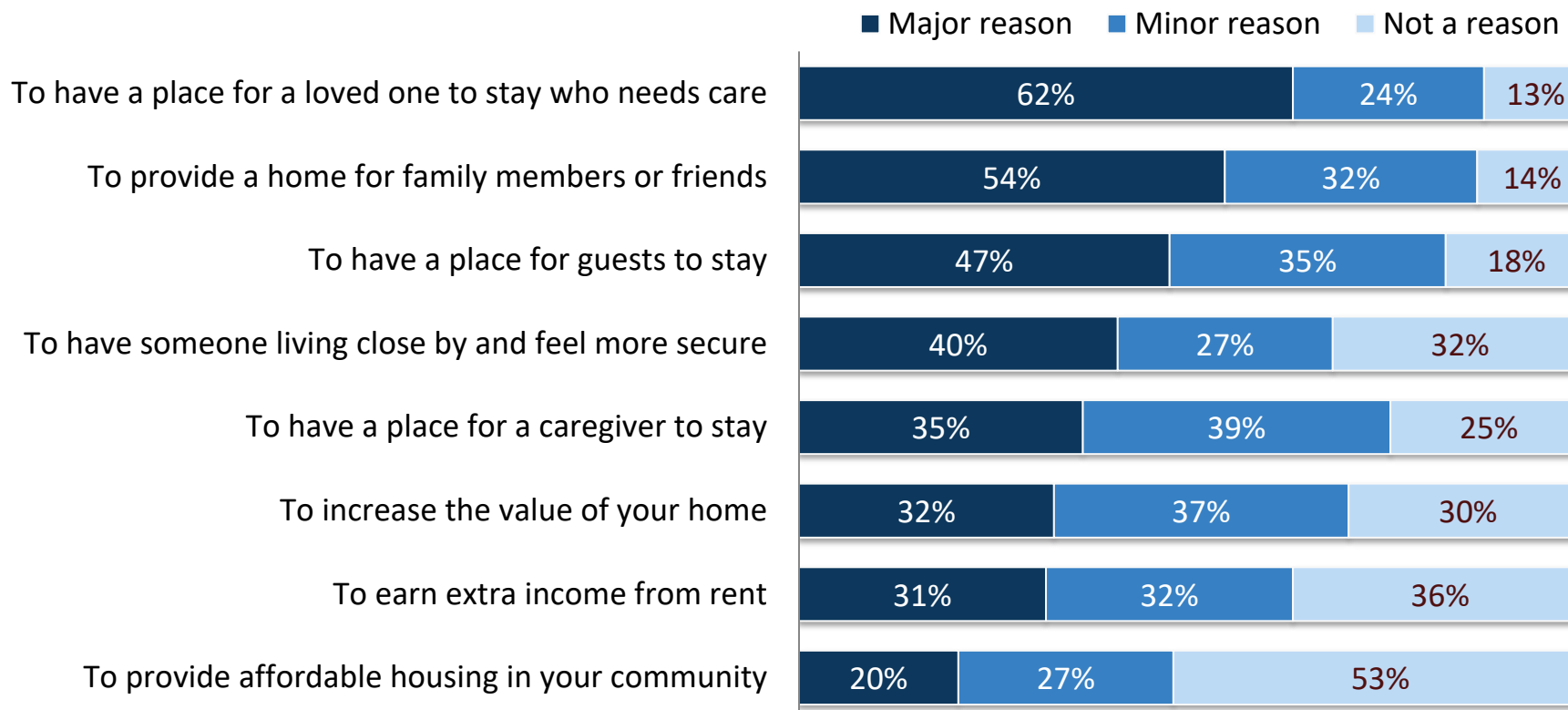
Those with incomes of \$100,000+ are more likely to consider living in an ADU if they needed help or to live close by but in their own separate place



Q30: Would you consider living in an ADU...

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

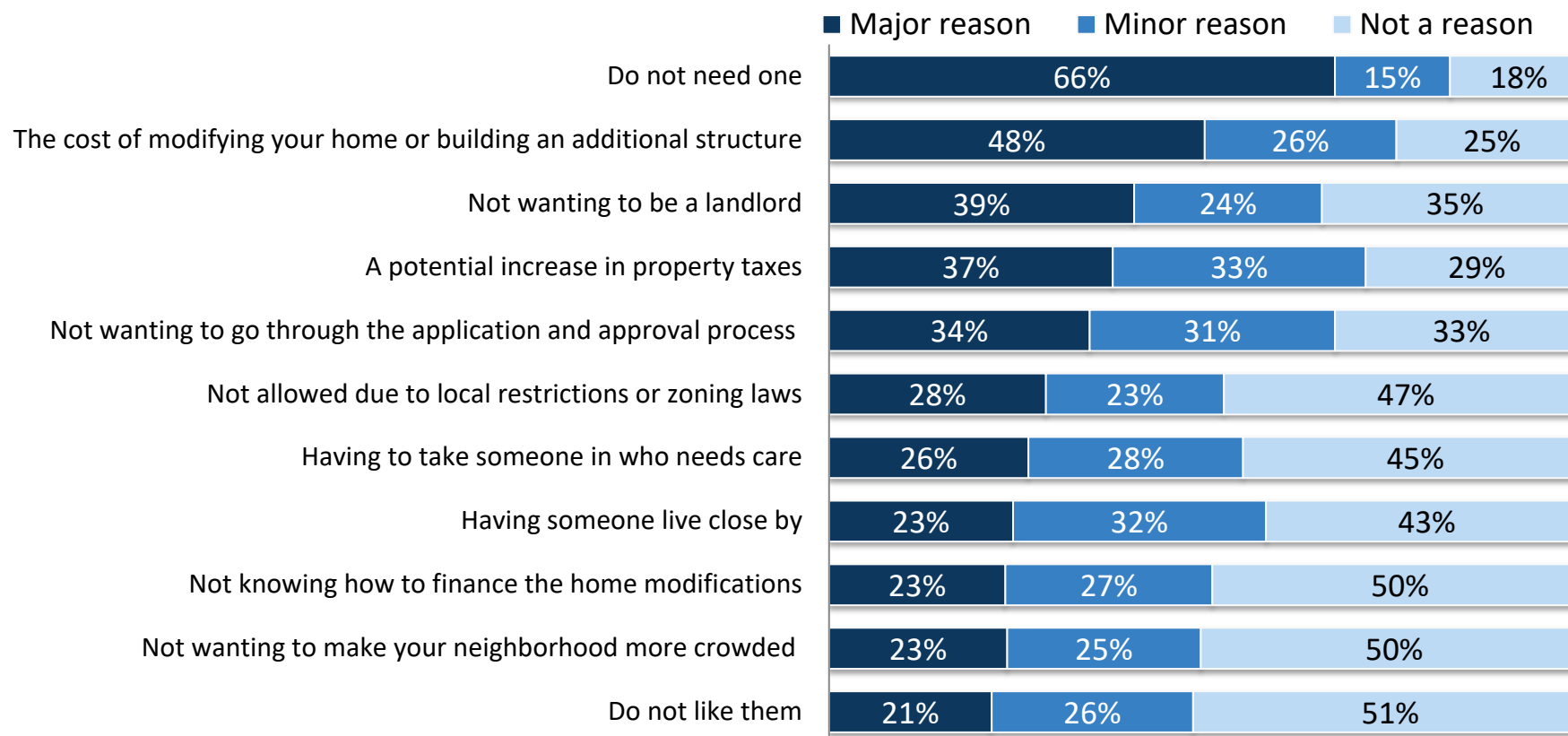
Adults who have or would consider building an ADU are most willing to do so to provide space for those they care about



Q28: For each of the following reasons, choose whether it is a major reason, a minor reason, or not a reason for building an ADU on your property or purchasing a property with an ADU.

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Adults who would not consider building an ADU cite a top reason of not believing they need one

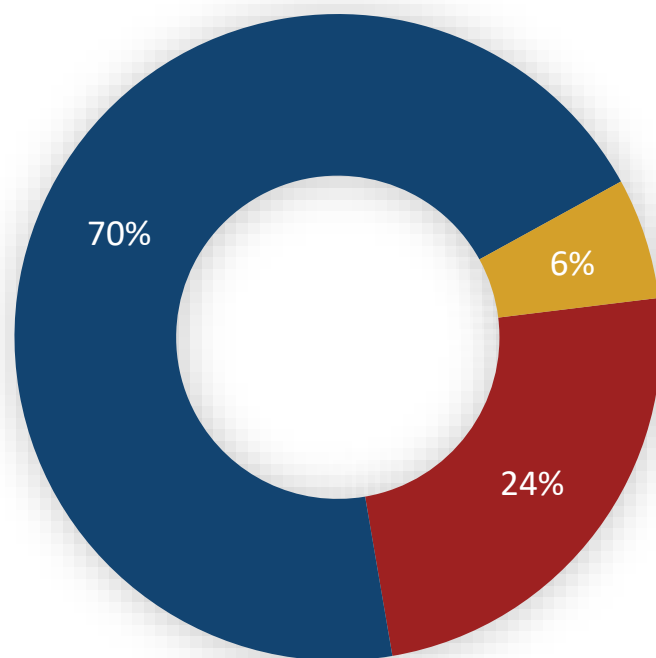


Q29: For each of the following reasons, choose whether it is a major reason, a minor reason, or not a reason for not building an ADU on your property or purchasing a property with an ADU.

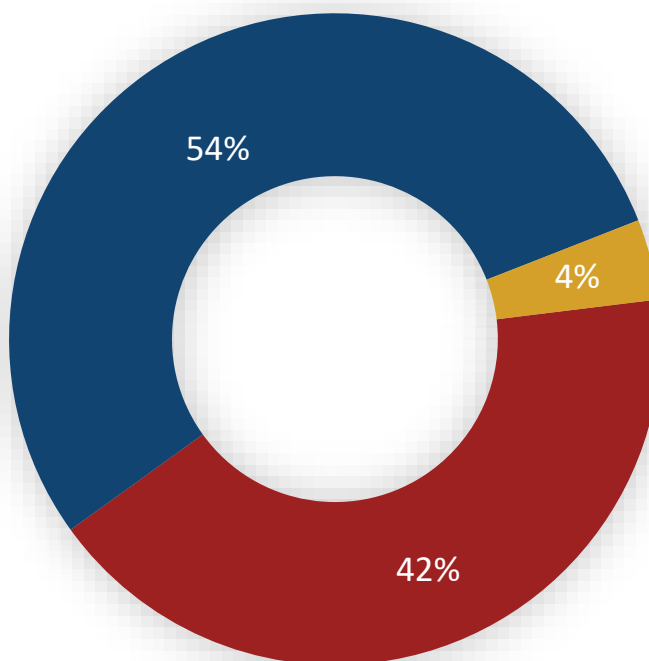
Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

More than half already share or would consider sharing their homes with family or friends as they age

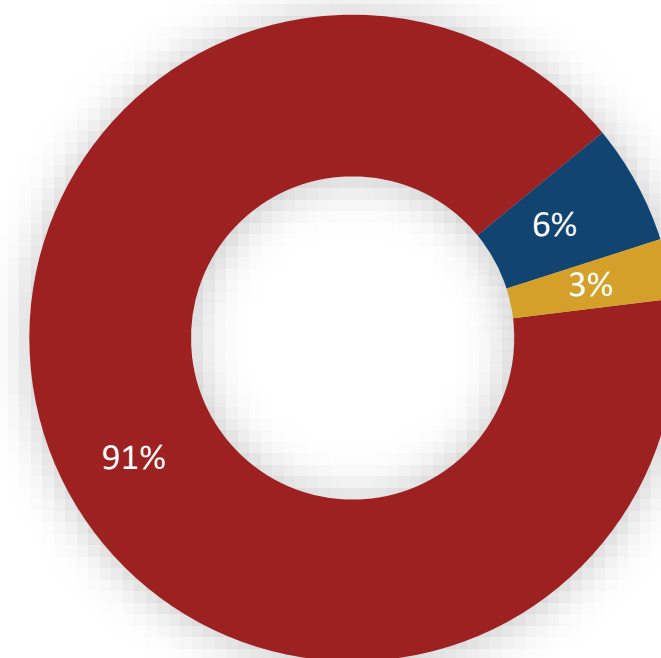
A family member or members, not including a spouse



A friend



A stranger, someone you don't know

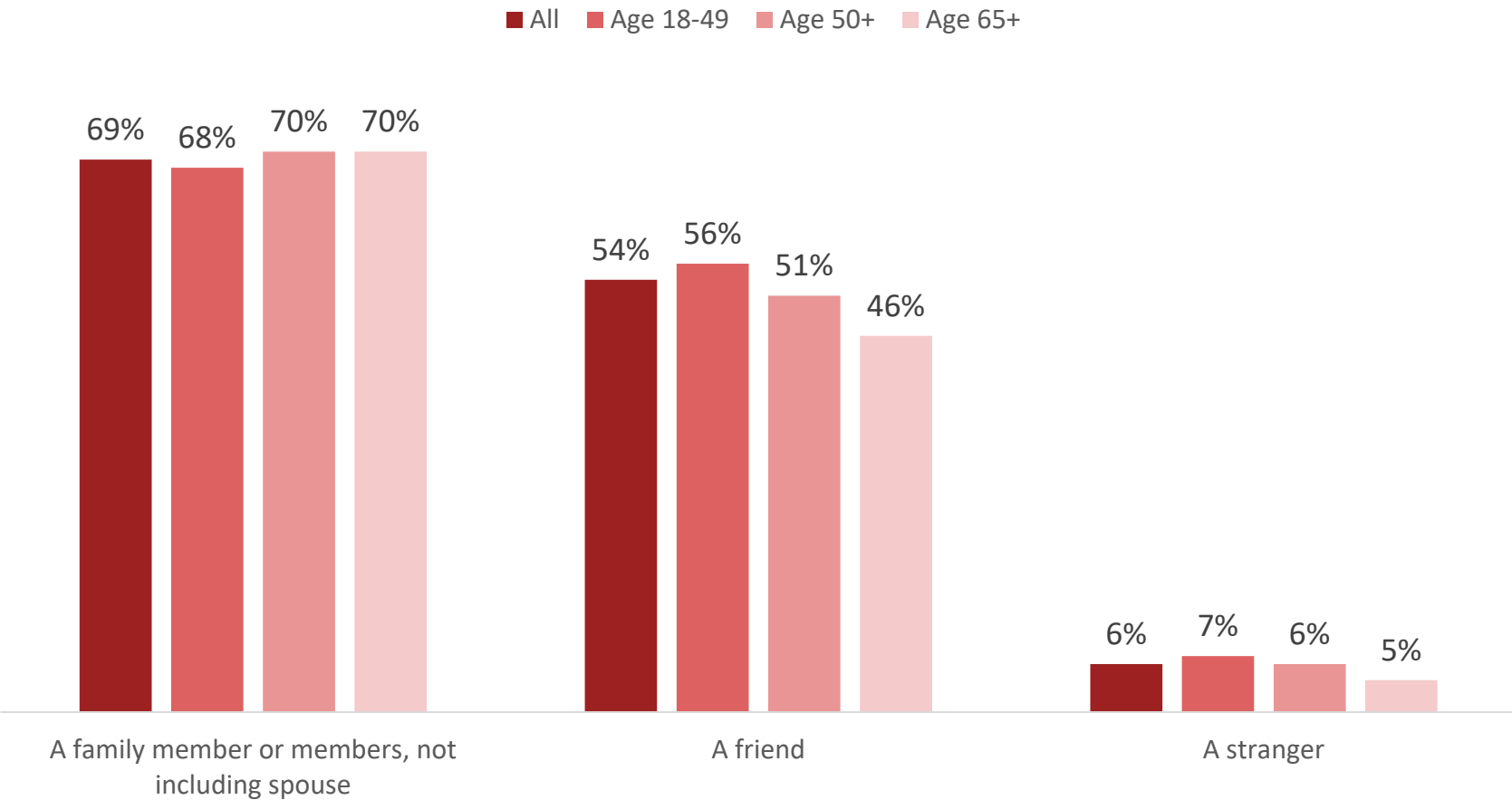


■ No ■ Yes ■ Currently share home

Q31: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with ...?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

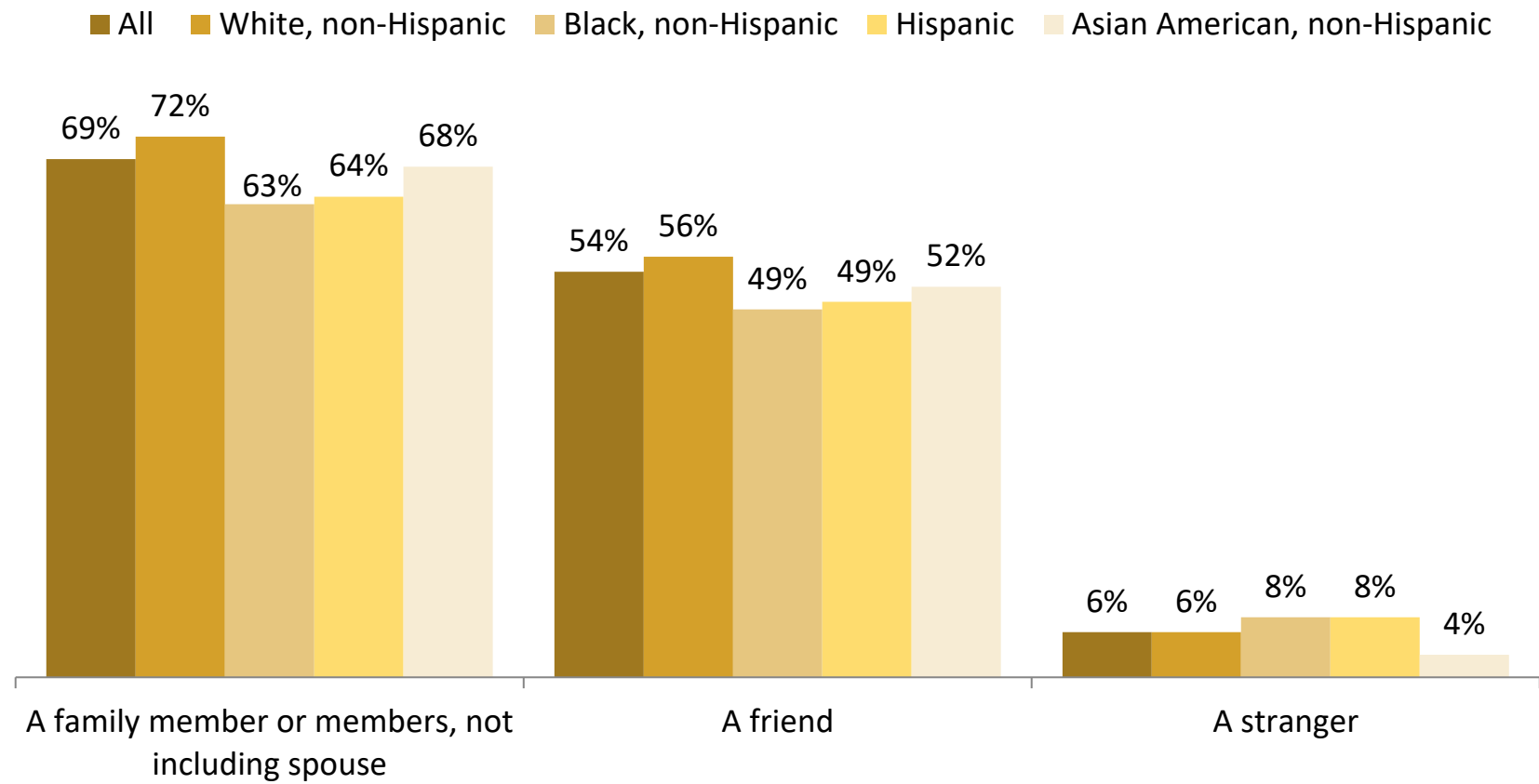
Adults of all ages would prefer living with a family member or friend, while few would live with a stranger



Q31: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with ...?

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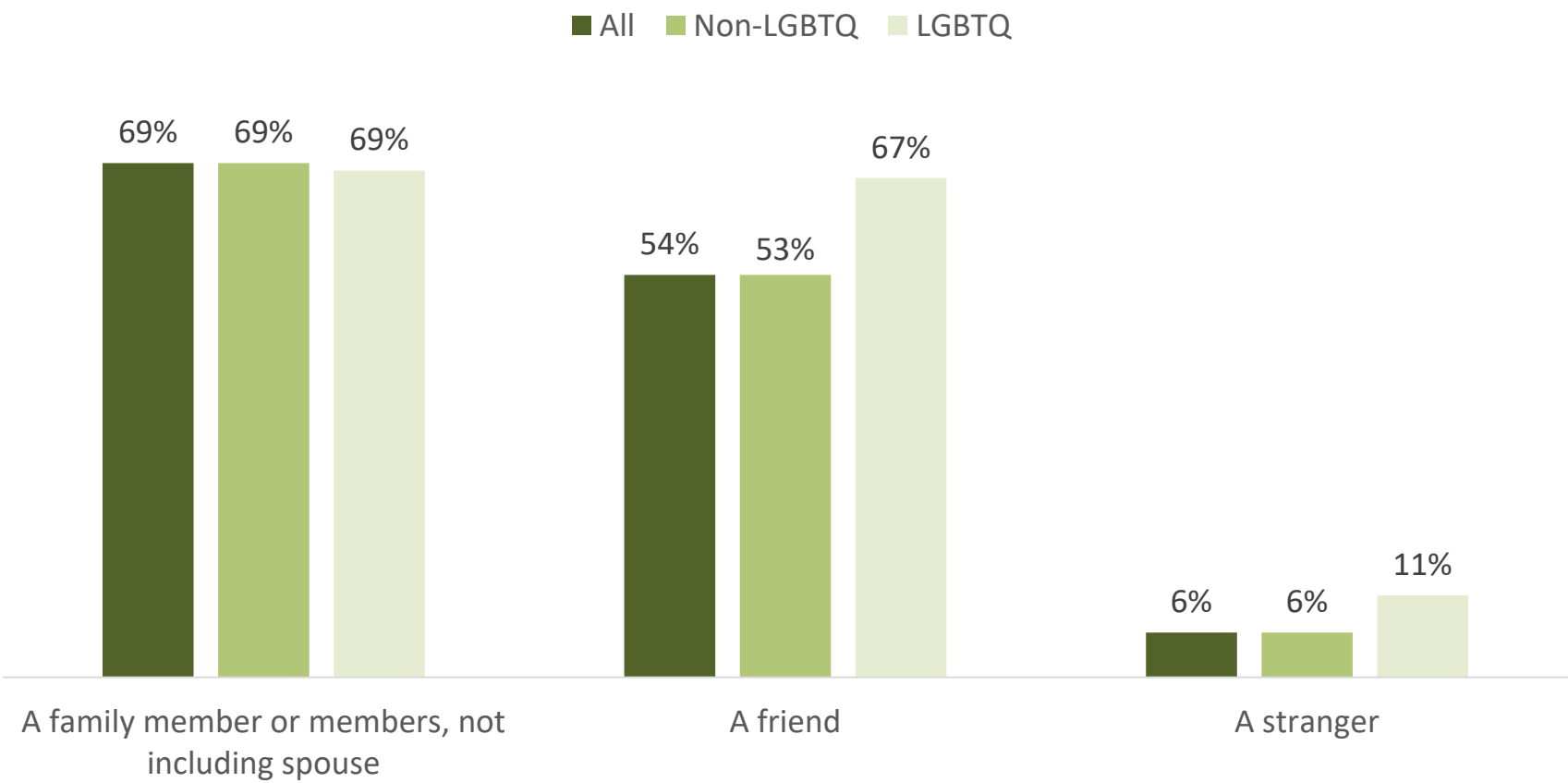
White adults are more willing than Hispanic and Black adults to consider sharing their home with family members or friends



Q31: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with ...?

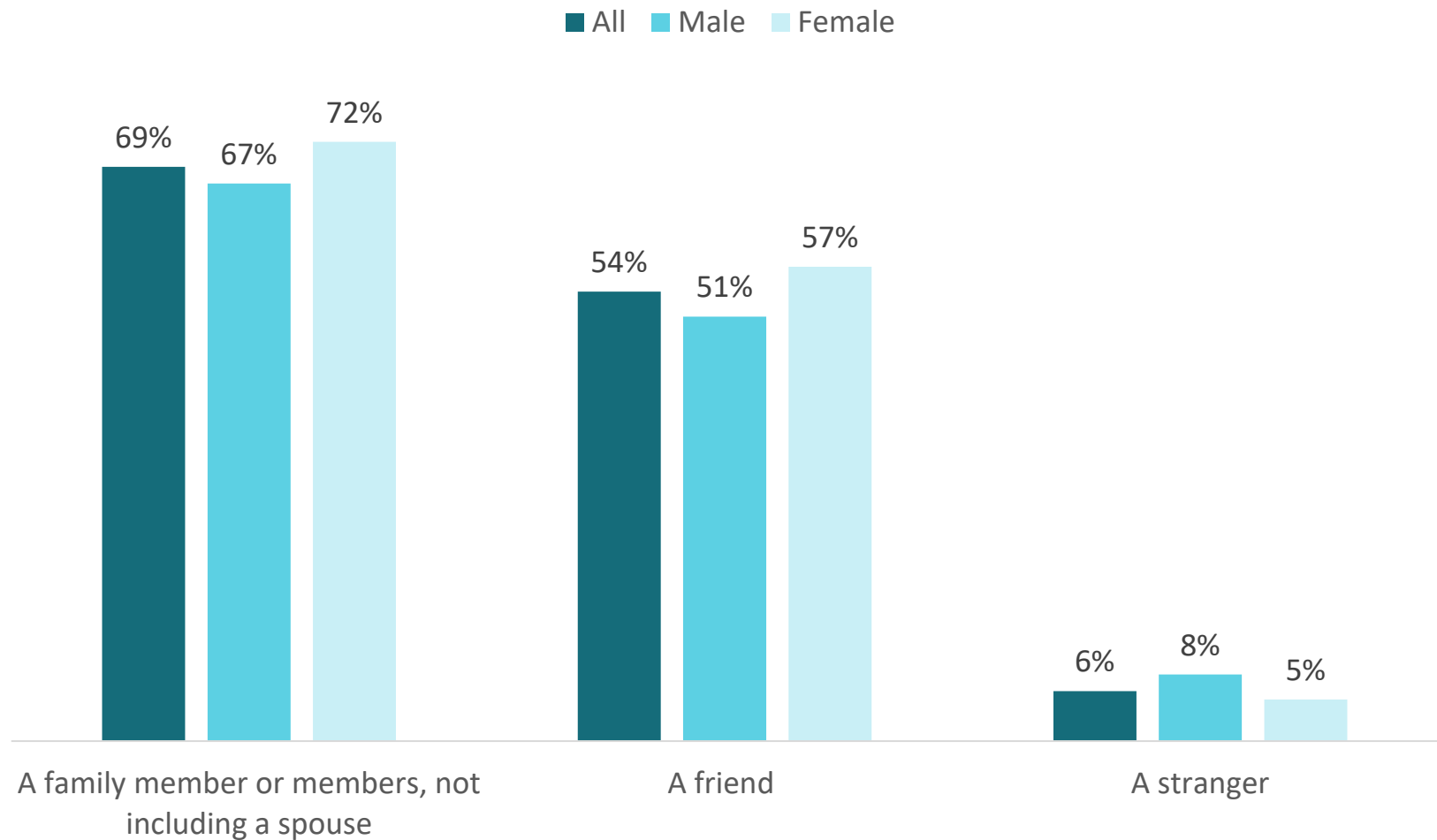
Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

LGBTQ adults are more likely than non-LGBTQ adults to consider living with a friend or a stranger



Q31: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with ...?
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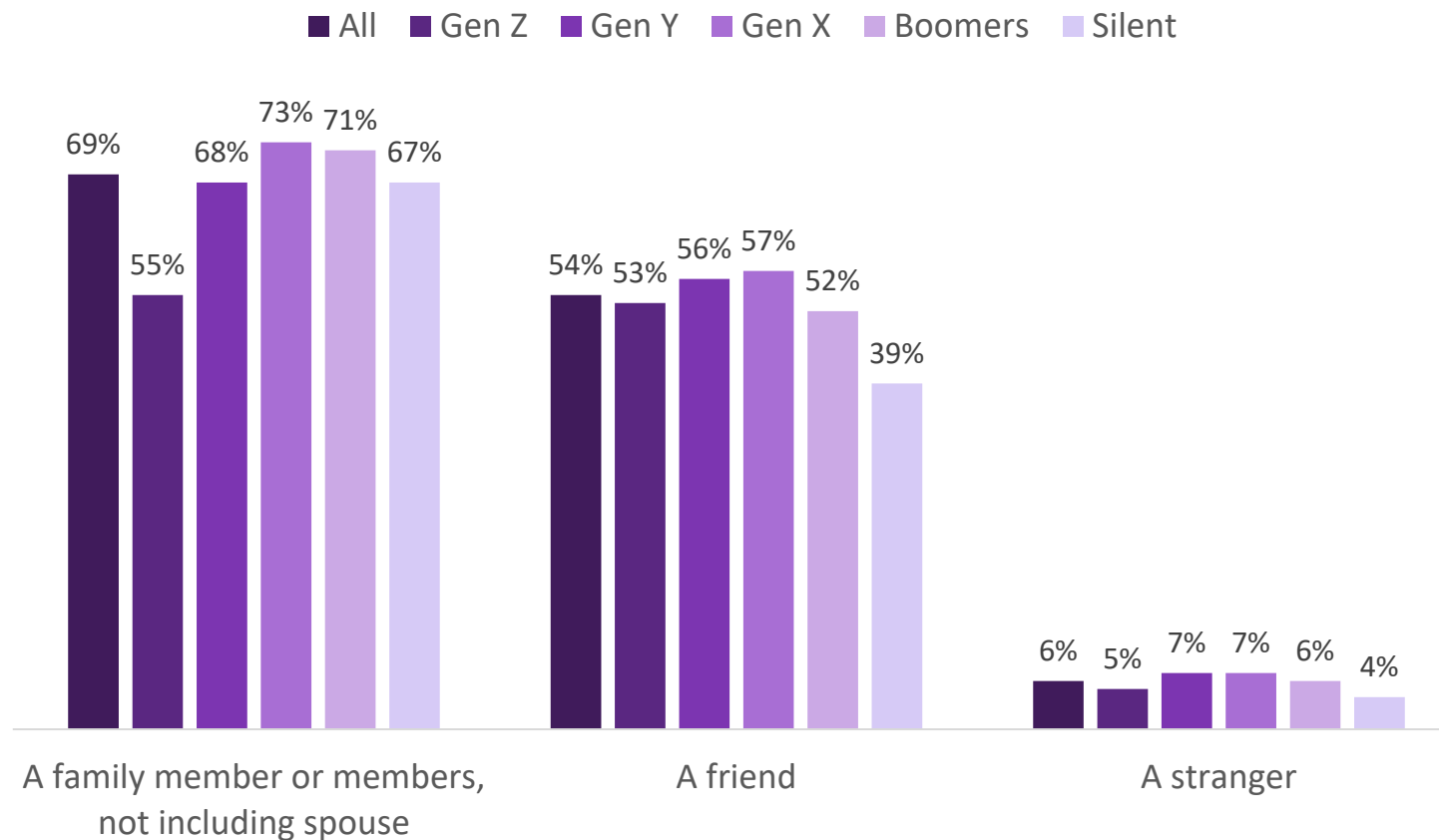
Women are more likely than men to consider sharing a home with family members and friends



Q31: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with ...?

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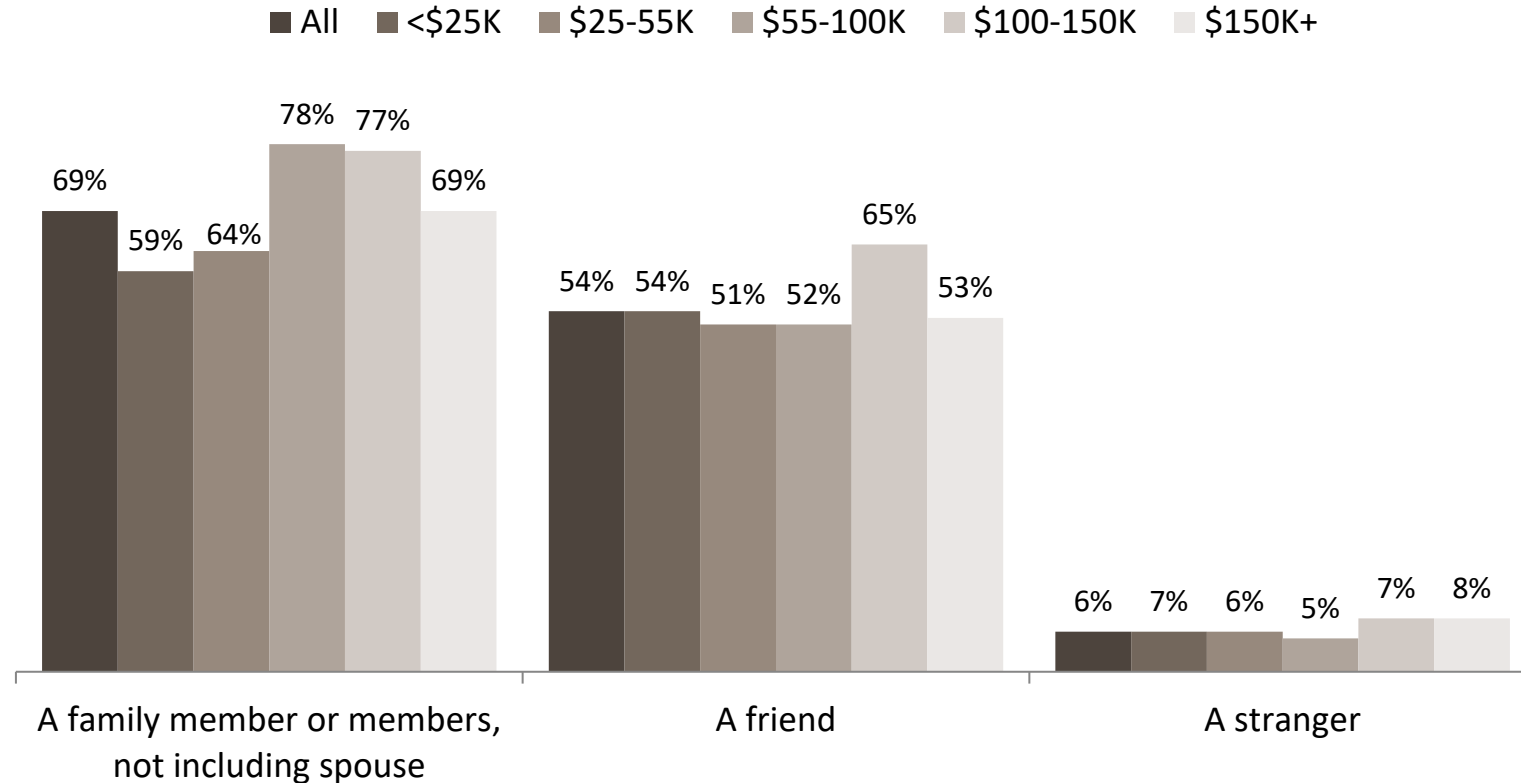
Adults of all generations would prefer living with a family member or friend, while few would live with a stranger



Q31: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with ...?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Adults making more than \$55K are more likely to consider sharing their home with family member or members, not including spouse



Q31: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with ...?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Among those uninterested or less certain about home sharing, fewer than a third would reconsider it for any reason given

Reasons for Considering Home Sharing (among respondents who say they would not share their home or are unsure)	
You found yourself not wanting to live alone and wanting companionship	28%
You needed help with everyday activities such as household chores or transportation to places like the grocery store or doctor's office	27%
You needed extra income	25%

Q32: [Respondents are unsure or indicate they would not consider sharing their home] Would sharing your home with another person be something you would consider if...?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus



COMMUNITY FEATURES AND SERVICES

Community Features and Services Highlights

- ❖ The most important community features across all seven areas covered in the survey are access to clean safe water for all residents, well-maintained streets, easy to read traffic signs, conveniently located grocery stores with healthy food, convenient high-quality health care services, and safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime.
- ❖ The most important community features specifically within housing include having trustworthy, affordable, high-quality home contractors, housing that is located near key services, and affordable housing options.
- ❖ When it comes to streets and sidewalks, the most important community features are well-maintained streets, easy to read traffic signs, and safe, accessible and streets for all users.
- ❖ Well-maintained and safe parks, conveniently located grocery stores, and convenient, high-quality health care services are key community features identified as most important with regards to outdoor spaces and buildings.
- ❖ Having public transportation that is safe, timely and well-maintained are the most valued aspects in this area.
- ❖ When considering social activities affordable activities including fitness, a variety of restaurants and shops, and activities to support military families are important.
- ❖ As residents think about volunteer and civic engagement activities having opportunities for residents to participate on community decision-making bodies and discuss important issues that impact their community are most important.
- ❖ All the employment survey items are rated important by most adults and relate to job opportunities for older adults and individuals with disabilities, and policies that ensure older adults can work for as long as they want.
- ❖ A new area that residents value as part of community life relates to environmental and equity issues. Adults most value having access to clean safe water, reliable Internet service, equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnic background, sexual orientation, or other differences, and protections for all residents in times of natural disasters.

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Top Important Community Features

(% Extremely/Very Important)



Community Features
& Services

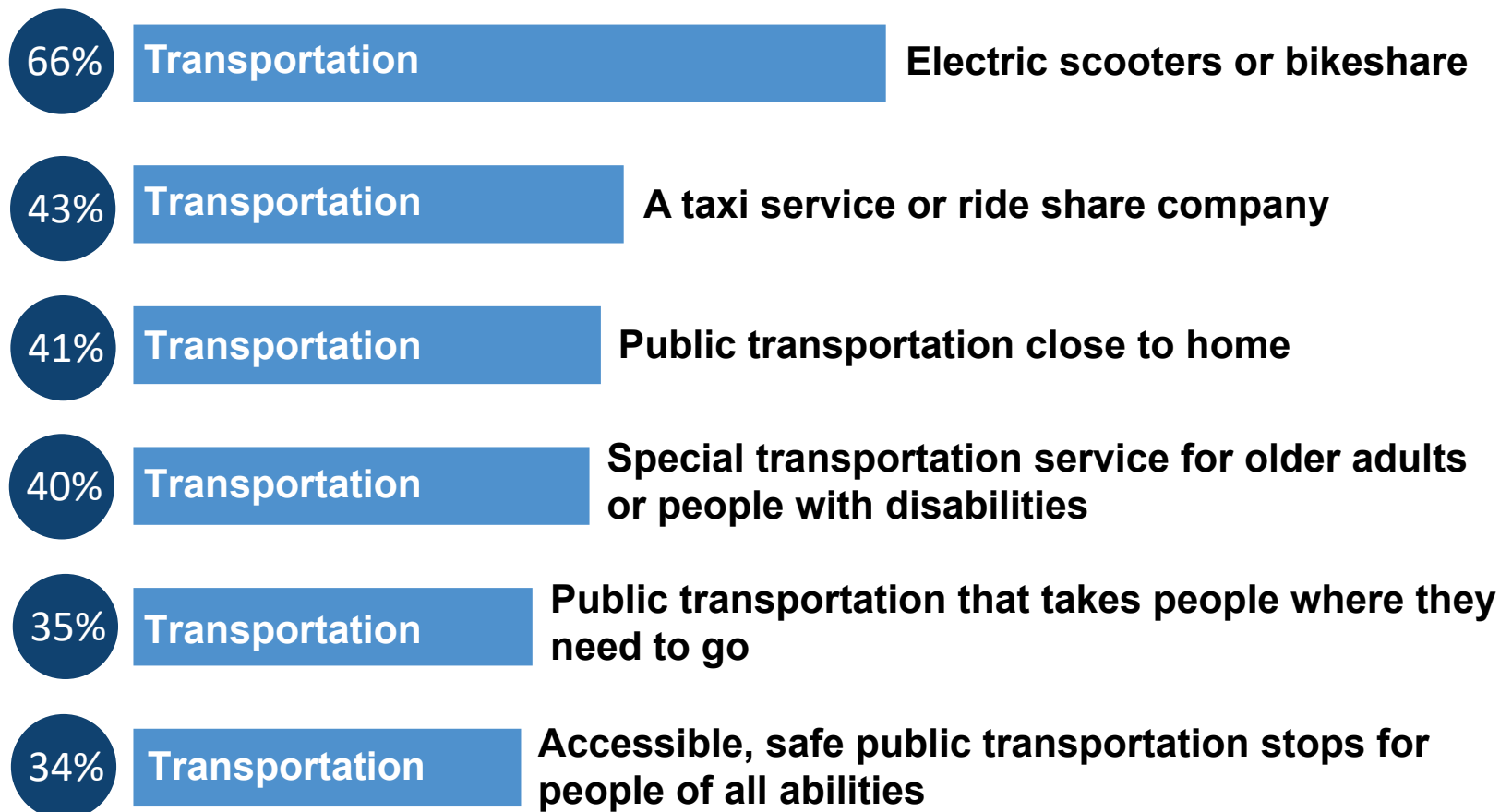


Q14, 15, 16, 17, 25, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37 : How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Bottom Important Community Features

(% Not Very/Not at all Important)

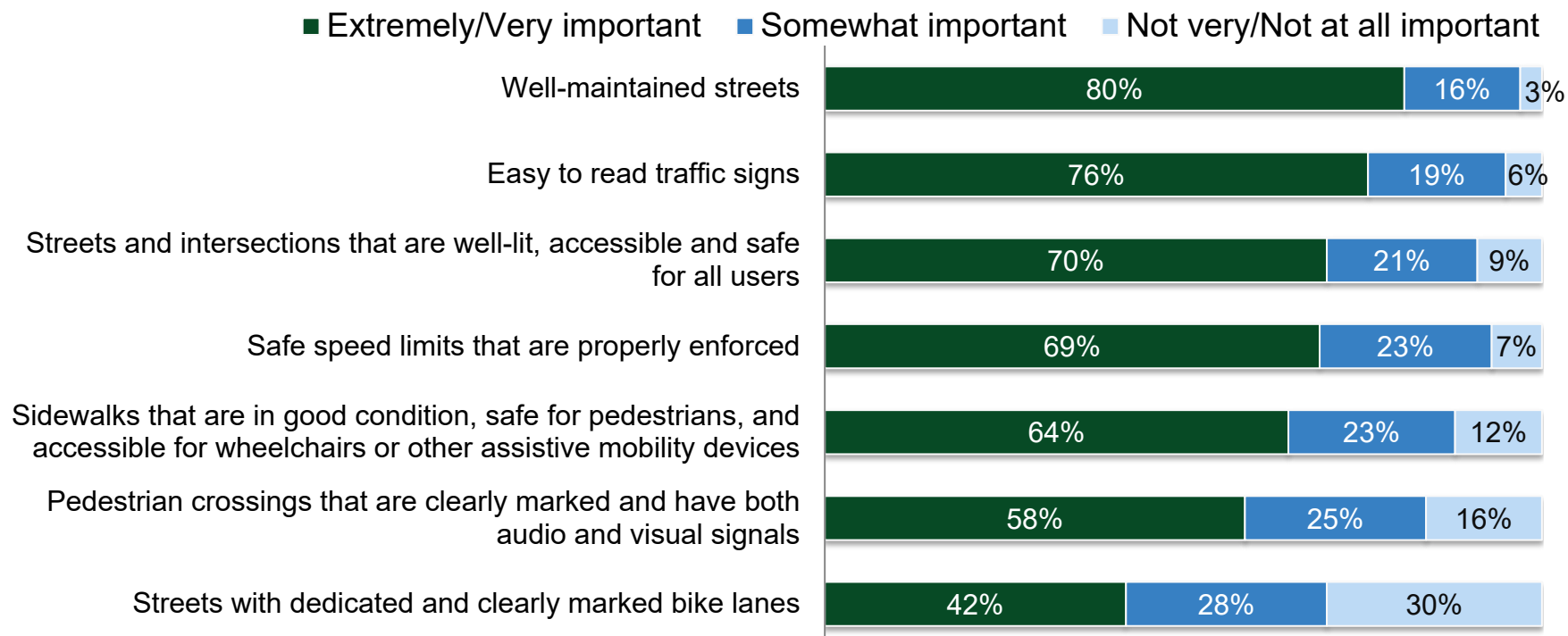


Q14, 15, 16, 17, 25, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37 : How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus



At least seven in ten adults say well-maintained, safe and accessible streets, and easy to read traffic signs are extremely or very important community features



*Percentages for “Don’t know/No response” not shown.

Q17: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Adults of all ages found well-maintained streets and easy to read traffic signs to be the most important street features



Top 3 Features among 18-49

Well-maintained streets

Easy to read traffic signs

Streets and intersections
that are well-lit,
accessible and safe for
all users

Top 3 Features among 50+

Well-maintained streets

Easy to read traffic signs

Safe speed limits that
are properly enforced

Top 3 Features among 65+

Well-maintained streets

Easy to read traffic signs

Safe speed limits that
are properly enforced

Q17: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Top three important features around street and sidewalk are similar across race/ethnicity; Hispanic adults included safe speed limits



Top 3 among White, non-Hispanic

Well-maintained streets

Easy to read traffic signs

Safe speed limits that are properly enforced

Top 3 among Black, non-Hispanic

Well-maintained streets

Easy to read traffic signs

Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users

Top 3 among Hispanic

Well-maintained streets

Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users

Easy to read traffic signs

Top 3 among Asian American, non-Hispanic

Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users

Well-maintained streets

Easy to read traffic signs

Q17: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus



Top three important features around sidewalk and street are similar for LGBTQ and non-LGBTQ adults

Top among Non-LGBTQ Adults

Well-maintained streets

Easy to read traffic signs

Streets and intersections
that are well-lit, accessible
and safe for all users

Top 3 among LGBTQ Adults

Well-maintained streets

Easy to read traffic signs

Streets and intersections
that are well-lit, accessible
and safe for all users

Q17: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus



Top three important features around sidewalk and street are similar across men and women

Top 3 among Men

Well-maintained streets

Easy to read traffic signs

Streets and intersections
that are well-lit,
accessible and safe for
all users

Top 3 among Women

Well-maintained streets

Easy to read traffic signs

Safe speed limits that are
properly enforced

Q17: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus



Generations give similar importance to top street and sidewalk features

Top 3 Features among Gen Z

Well-maintained streets

Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users

Easy to read traffic signs

Top 3 Features among Gen Y

Well-maintained streets

Easy to read traffic signs

Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users

Top 3 Features among Gen X

Well-maintained streets

Easy to read traffic signs

Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users

Top 3 Features among Baby Boomers

Well-maintained streets

Easy to read traffic signs

Safe speed limits that are properly enforced

Top 3 Features among Silent

Well-maintained streets

Easy to read traffic signs

Safe speed limits that are properly enforced

Q17: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus



Regardless of income levels, Top street and sidewalk are top three important features

Top 3 Features among <\$25K

Well-maintained
streets

Easy to read
traffic signs

Streets and
intersections that
are well-lit,
accessible and
safe for all users

Top 3 Features among \$25-55K

Well-maintained
streets

Easy to read
traffic signs

Safe speed limits
that are properly
enforced

Top 3 Features among \$55-100K

Well-maintained
streets

Easy to read
traffic signs

Safe speed limits
that are properly
enforced

Top 3 Features among \$100- 150K+

Well-maintained
streets

Easy to read
traffic signs

Streets and
intersections that
are well-lit,
accessible and
safe for all users

Top 3 Features among \$150K+

Well-maintained
streets

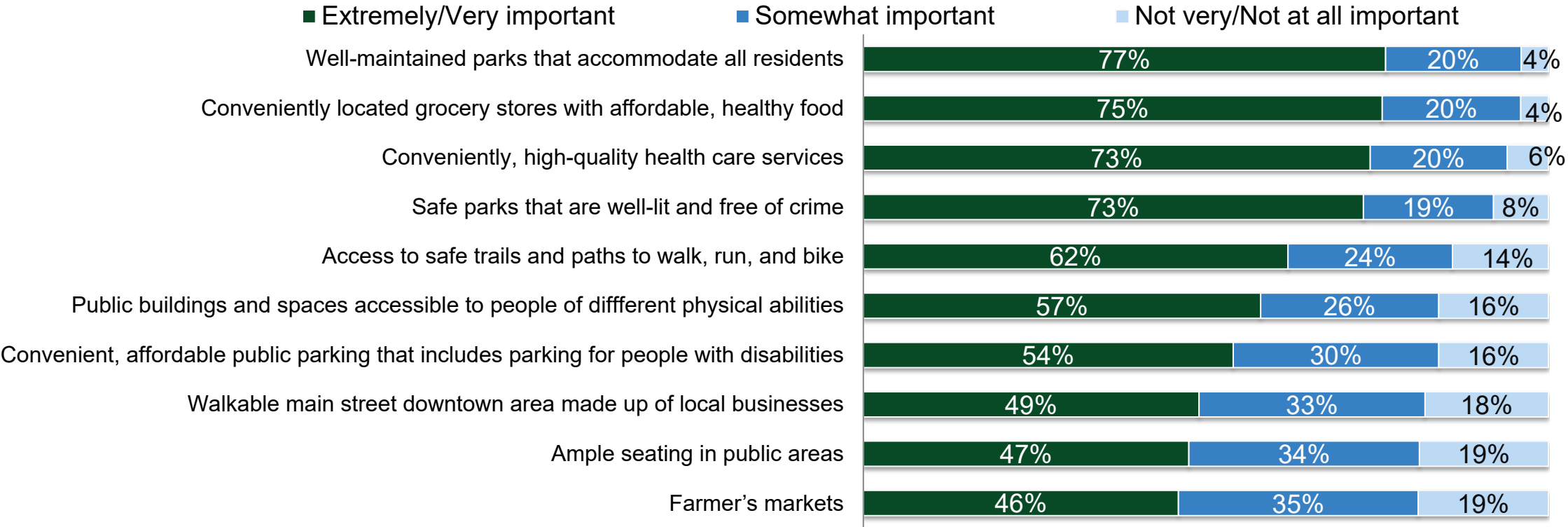
Streets and
intersections that
are well-lit,
accessible and
safe for all users

Easy to read
traffic signs

Q17: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Adults rate well-maintained and convenient health care facilities, well-maintained parks, and convenient grocery stores as their most important public spaces and buildings community features



Q14: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Adults of all ages rate grocery stores, health care services, and parks as the top features

Top 3 Features among 18-49

Conveniently located
grocery stores

Safe parks that are well-
lit and free of crime

Convenient, high-quality
health care services

Top 3 Features among 50+

Convenient, high-quality
health care services

Conveniently located
grocery stores

Safe parks that are well-
lit and free of crime

Top 3 Features among 65+

Conveniently located
grocery stores

Convenient, high-quality
health care services

Safe parks that are well-
lit and free of crime

Q14: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Top outdoor spaces and buildings are similar across race/ethnicity with a focus on health care, grocery stores, parks



Top 3 Features among White, non-Hispanic

Conveniently located
grocery stores

Convenient, high-
quality health care
services

Safe parks that are
well-lit and free of
crime

Top 3 Features among Black, non-Hispanic

Conveniently located
grocery stores

Safe parks that are
well-lit and free of
crime

Convenient, high-
quality health care
services

Top 3 Features among Hispanic

Conveniently located
grocery stores

Safe parks that are
well-lit and free of
crime

Convenient, high-
quality health care
services

Top 3 Features among Asian American, non- Hispanic

Convenient, high-
quality health care
services

Safe parks that are
well-lit and free of
crime

Conveniently located
grocery stores

Q14: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

LGBTQ adults are similar to non-LGBTQ in top outdoor spaces and buildings

Top 3 Features among Non-LGBTQ

Conveniently located
grocery stores

Safe parks that are well-lit
and free of crime

Convenient, high-quality
health care services

Top 3 Features among LGBTQ

Conveniently located
grocery stores

Convenient, high-quality
health care services

Safe parks that are well-lit
and free of crime

Q14: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus



Men and women are similar in their three top features, with both ranking conveniently located grocery stores as their top feature

Top 3 Features among Men

Conveniently located grocery stores

Convenient, high-quality health care services

Safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime

Top 3 Features among Women

Conveniently located grocery stores

Safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime

Convenient, high-quality health care services

Q14: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Generations differ slightly in top features, but common themes of health care facilities, parks, and grocery stores are similar



Q14: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

All income levels include top features focused on health care services, grocery store locations, and safe parks

Top 3 Features among <\$25K

Conveniently located grocery stores

Safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime

Convenient, high-quality health care services

Top 3 Features among \$25-55K

Conveniently located grocery stores

Safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime

Convenient, high-quality health care services

Top 3 Features among \$55-100K

Convenient, high-quality health care services

Safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime

Conveniently located grocery stores

Top 3 Features among \$100-150K+

Conveniently located grocery stores

Convenient, high-quality health care services

Safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime

Top 3 Features among \$150K+

Conveniently located grocery stores

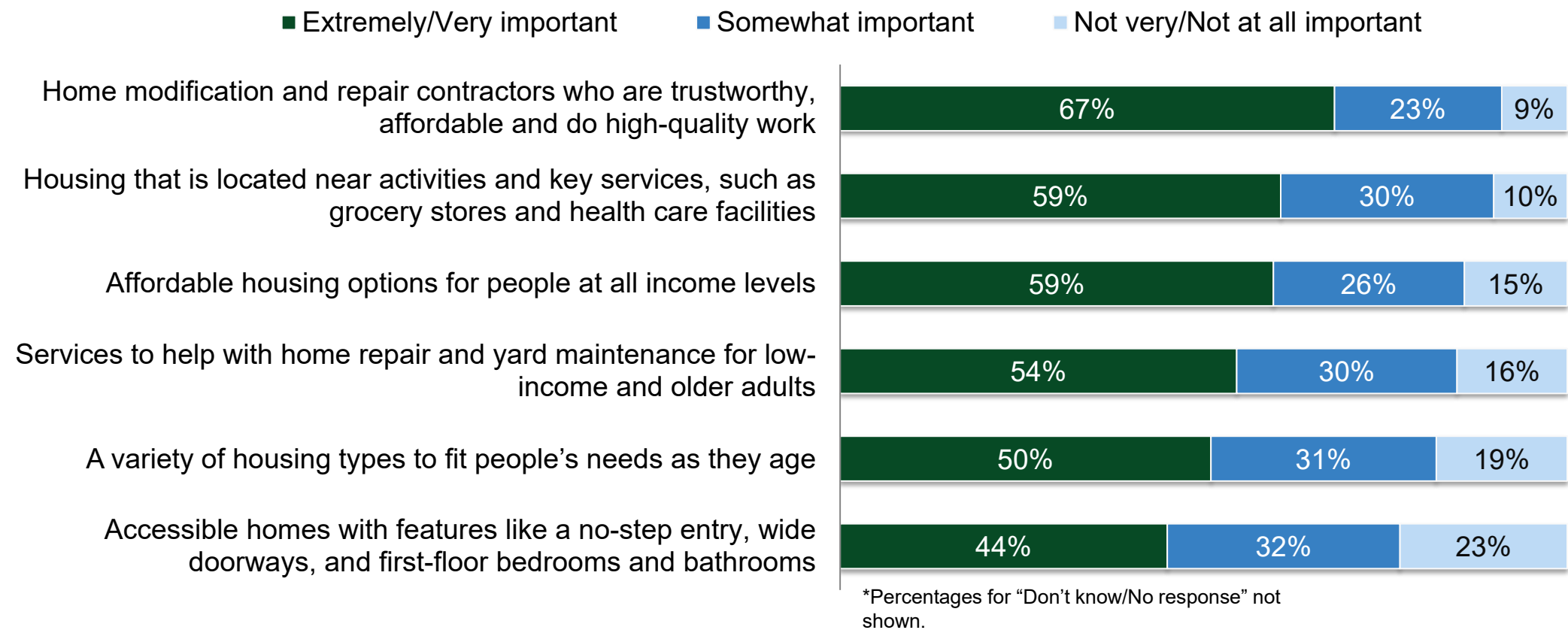
Safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime

Convenient, high-quality health care services

Q14: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Adults believe high quality contractors, affordable housing, and home repair services for lower-income and older adults are highly important



Q25: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus



Adults ages 18-49 years report well-maintained and safe low-income housing in the top features; adults age 50 and older and 65 and older report home repair services for low-income and older adults as a top feature

Top 3 Features among 18-49

Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work

Housing located near activities and key services

Affordable housing options for people at all income levels

Top 3 Features among 50+

Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work

Housing located near activities and key services

Services to help with home repair and yard maintenance for low-income and older adults

Top 3 Features among 65+

Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work

Housing located near activities and key services

Affordable housing options for people at all income levels

Q25: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Top housing features are similar across race/ethnicity with affordable housing top priority for Black and Hispanic adults



Top 3 Features among White, non-Hispanic

Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work

Housing located near activities and key services

Affordable housing options for people at all income levels

Top 3 Features among Black, non-Hispanic

Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work

Housing located near activities and key services

Affordable housing options for people at all income levels

Top 3 Features among Hispanic

Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work

Housing located near activities and key services

Affordable housing options for people at all income levels

Top 3 Features among Asian American, non-Hispanic

Housing located near activities and key services

Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work

Services to help with home repair and yard maintenance for low-income and older adults

Q25: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus



LGBTQ and non-LGBTQ adults list the same community housing features

Top 3 Features among Non-LGBTQ

Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work

Housing located near activities and key services

Affordable housing options for people at all income levels

Top 3 Features among LGBTQ

Affordable housing options for people at all income levels

Housing located near activities and key services

Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work

Q25: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus



Men and women are the same in top three housing features

Top 3 Features among Men

Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work

Housing located near activities and key services

Affordable housing options for people at all income levels

Top 3 Features among Women

Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work

Affordable housing options for people at all income levels

Housing located near activities and key services

Q25: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus



Generations are similar in top features with common themes of home modification services and affordability

Top 3 Features among Gen Z

Housing located near activities and key services

Affordable housing options for people at all income levels

Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work

Top 3 Features among Gen Y

Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work

Housing located near activities and key services

Affordable housing options for people at all income levels

Top 3 Features among Gen X

Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work

Housing located near activities and key services

Services to help with home repair and yard maintenance for low-income and older adults

Top 3 Features among Baby Boomers

Home modification and repair contractors

Housing located near activities and key services

Services to help with home repair and yard maintenance for low-income and older adults

Top 3 Features among Silent

Housing located near activities and key services

Home modification and repair contractors

Services to help with home repair and yard maintenance for low-income and older adults

Q25: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus



Top housing features are similar across income levels

Top 3 Features among <\$25K

Home modification
and repair contractors
who are trustworthy,
affordable and do
high-quality work

Affordable housing
options for people at
all income levels

Housing located near
activities and key
services

Top 3 Features among \$25-55K

Affordable housing
options for people at
all income levels

Home modification
and repair contractors
who are trustworthy,
affordable and do
high-quality work

Services to help with
home repair and yard
maintenance for low-
income and older
adults

Top 3 Features among \$55-100K

Home modification
and repair contractors
who are trustworthy,
affordable and do
high-quality work

Housing located near
activities and key
services

Affordable housing
options for people at
all income levels

Top 3 Features among \$100-150K+

Home modification
and repair contractors
who are trustworthy,
affordable and do
high-quality work

Affordable housing
options for people at
all income levels

Housing located near
activities and key
services

Top 3 Features among \$150K+

Home modification
and repair contractors
who are trustworthy,
affordable and do
high-quality work

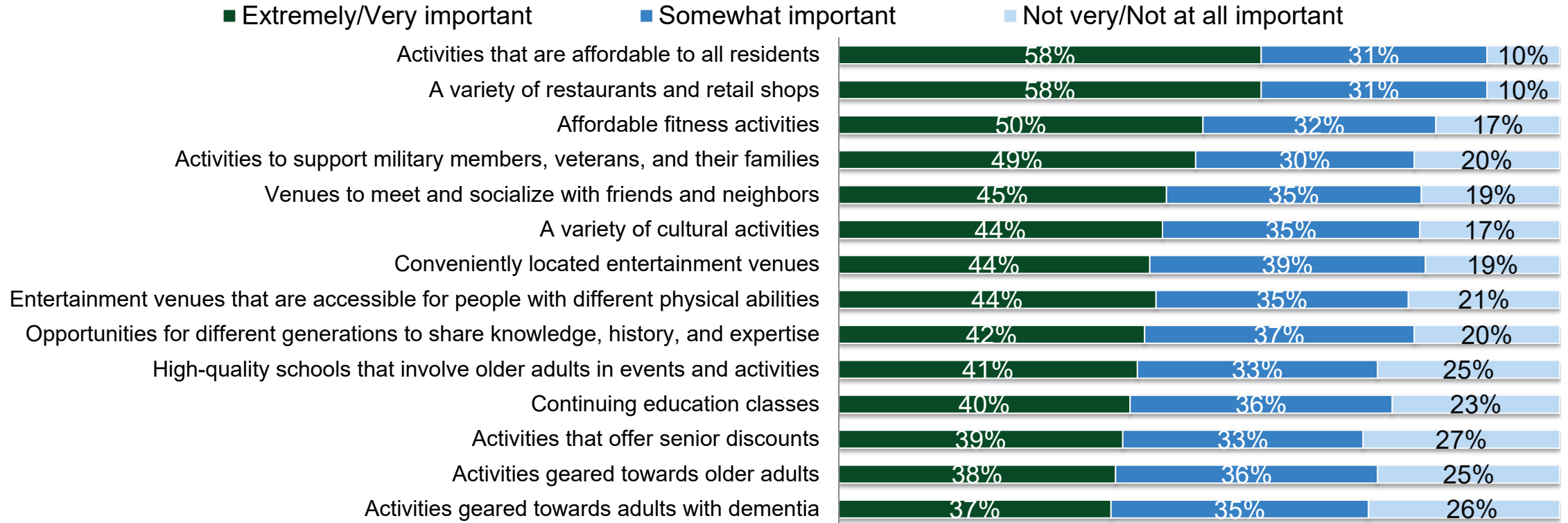
Housing located near
activities and key
services

Services to help with
home repair for low-
income and older
adults

Q25: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

More than half of adults say affordable activities and a variety of restaurants and shops are extremely or very important to have in their community



*Percentages for "Don't know/No response" not shown.

Q33: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Adults across all ages list similar social activities; adults age 50 and older and 65 and older also list activities for military families as important to have

Top 3 Features among 18-49

Activities that are
affordable for all
residents

A variety of restaurants
and retail shops

Conveniently located
entertainment venues

Top 3 Features among 50+

A variety of restaurants
and retail shops

Activities that are
affordable for all residents

Activities to support
military members,
veterans, and their
families

Top 3 Features among 65+

A variety of restaurants
and retail shops

Activities that are
affordable for all
residents

Activities geared towards
older adults

Q33: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus



Top social participation features are similar across race/ethnicity with affordability of activities and a variety of restaurants and shops being a priority

Top 3 Features among White, non-Hispanic

Activities that are
affordable for all
residents

A variety of restaurants
and retail shops

Activities to support
military members,
veterans, and their
families

Top 3 Features among Black, non-Hispanic

Activities that are
affordable for all
residents

A variety of restaurants
and retail shops

Affordable fitness
activities

Top 3 Features among Hispanic

Activities that are
affordable for all
residents

A variety of restaurants
and retail shops

Affordable fitness
activities

Top 3 Features among Asian American, non- Hispanic

A variety of restaurants
and retail shops

Activities that are
affordable for all
residents

Affordable fitness
activities

Q33: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

LGBTQ adults include a variety of cultural activities in top social participation features; non-LGBTQ include fitness activities



Top 3 Features among Non-LGBTQ

Activities that are
affordable for all residents

A variety of restaurants and
retail shops

Affordable fitness activities

Top 3 Features among LGBTQ

Activities that are
affordable for all residents

A variety of restaurants and
retail shops

A variety of cultural
activities

Q33: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus



Both men and women report affordable activities and a variety of restaurants and shops as top priorities

Top 3 Features among Men

A variety of restaurants and
retail shops

Activities that are affordable for
all residents

Affordable fitness activities

Top 3 Features among Women

Activities that are affordable for
all residents

A variety of restaurants and
retail shops

Affordable fitness activities

Q33: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Generations are similar across top social participation features with priorities being affordable activities for most



Q33: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Social participation top features are similar across income levels with a primary focus on affordable activities



Top 3 Features among <\$25K

Activities that are
affordable for all
residents

Activities to support
military members,
veterans, and their
families

A variety of
restaurants and
retail shops

Top 3 Features among \$25-55K

Activities that are
affordable for all
residents

Activities to support
military members,
veterans, and their
families

A variety of
restaurants and
retail shops

Top 3 Features among \$55-100K

A variety of
restaurants and
retail shops

Activities that are
affordable for all
residents

Affordable fitness
activities

Top 3 Features among \$100-150K+

A variety of
restaurants and
retail shops

Activities that are
affordable for all
residents

Affordable fitness
activities

Top 3 Features among \$150K+

A variety of
restaurants and
retail shops

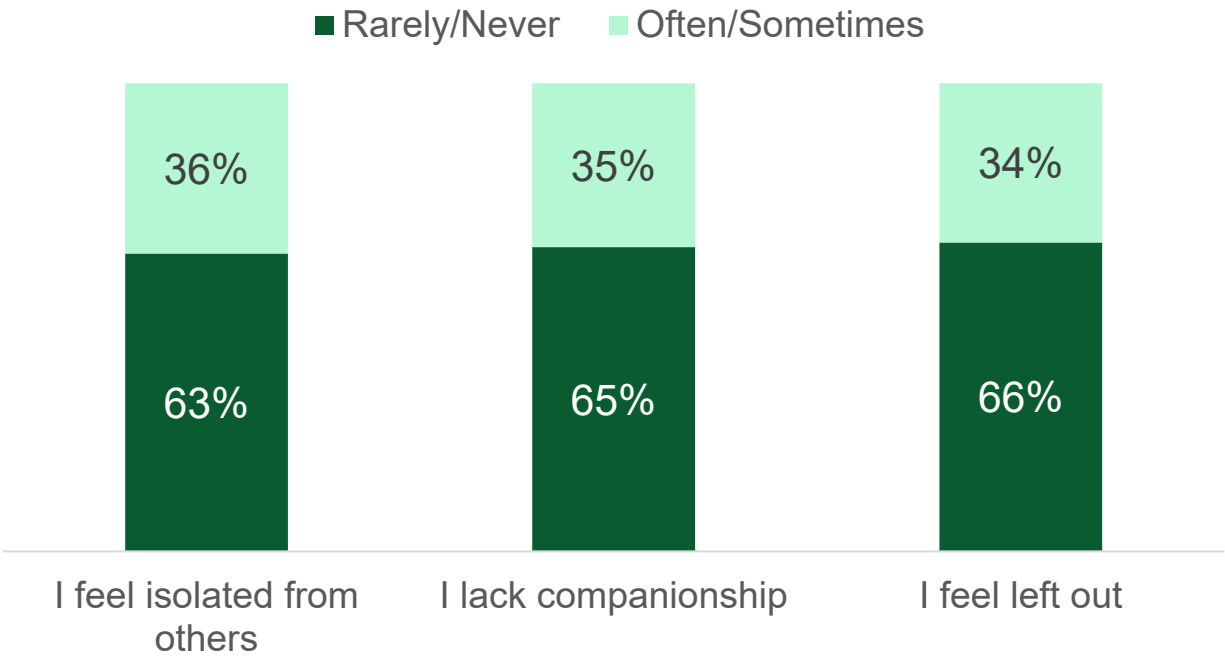
Activities that are
affordable for all
residents

Affordable fitness
activities

Q33: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

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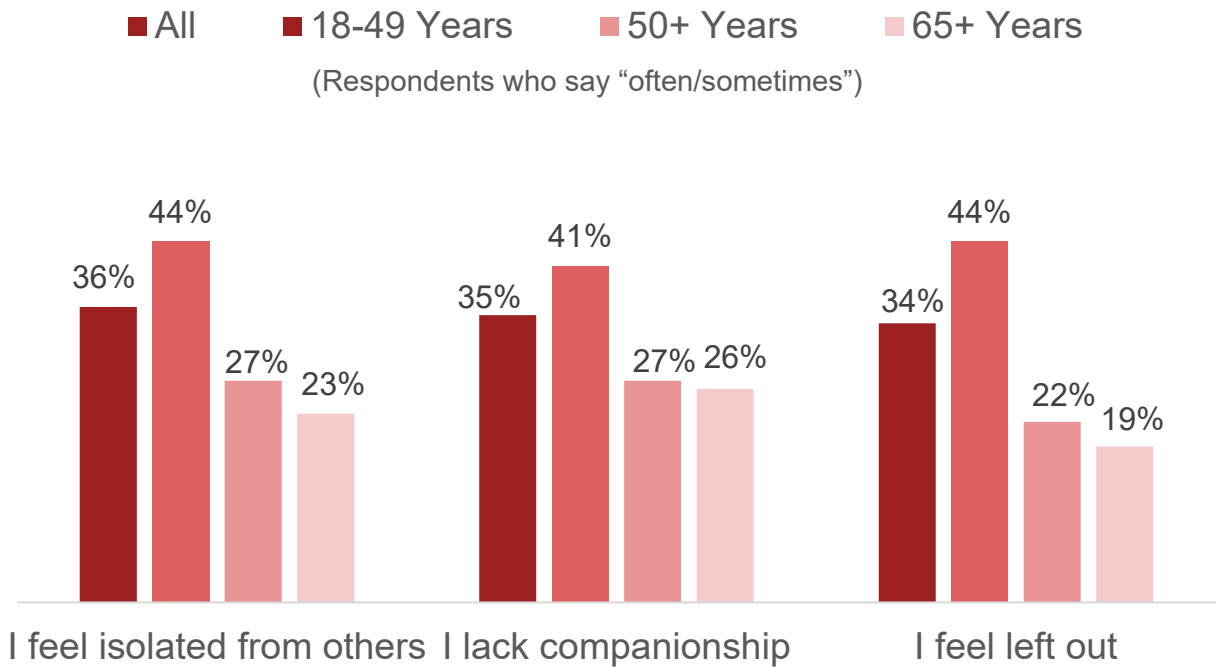
A third of adult's report lacking companionship, feeling left out, and feeling isolated from others; however, 86% percent of adults have friends or family they could call on in a time of trouble



86% of adults have either family or friends they could call on day or night if they were in trouble.

Q53: How often do you feel the following?
 Q54. If you were in trouble, do you have friends or family who can help you at any time of the day or night?
 Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

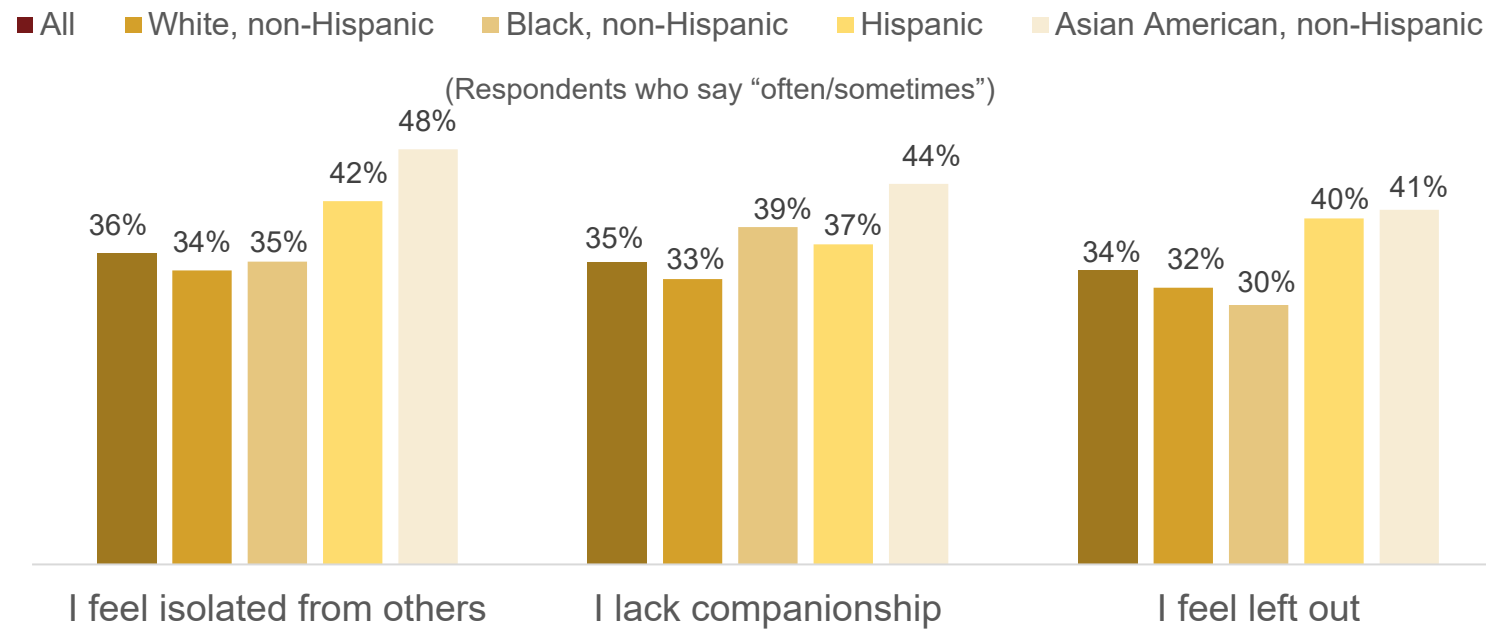
Adults ages 18-49 are more likely to say they feel left out or isolated or lack companionship. This age cohort is also less likely to feel they have someone to turn to when in need



Adults age 50 and older and 65 and older are more likely than adults age 18-49 to have someone to turn to if they were in trouble.

Q53: How often do you feel the following?
 Q54. If you were in trouble, do you have friends or family who can help you at any time of the day or night?
 Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

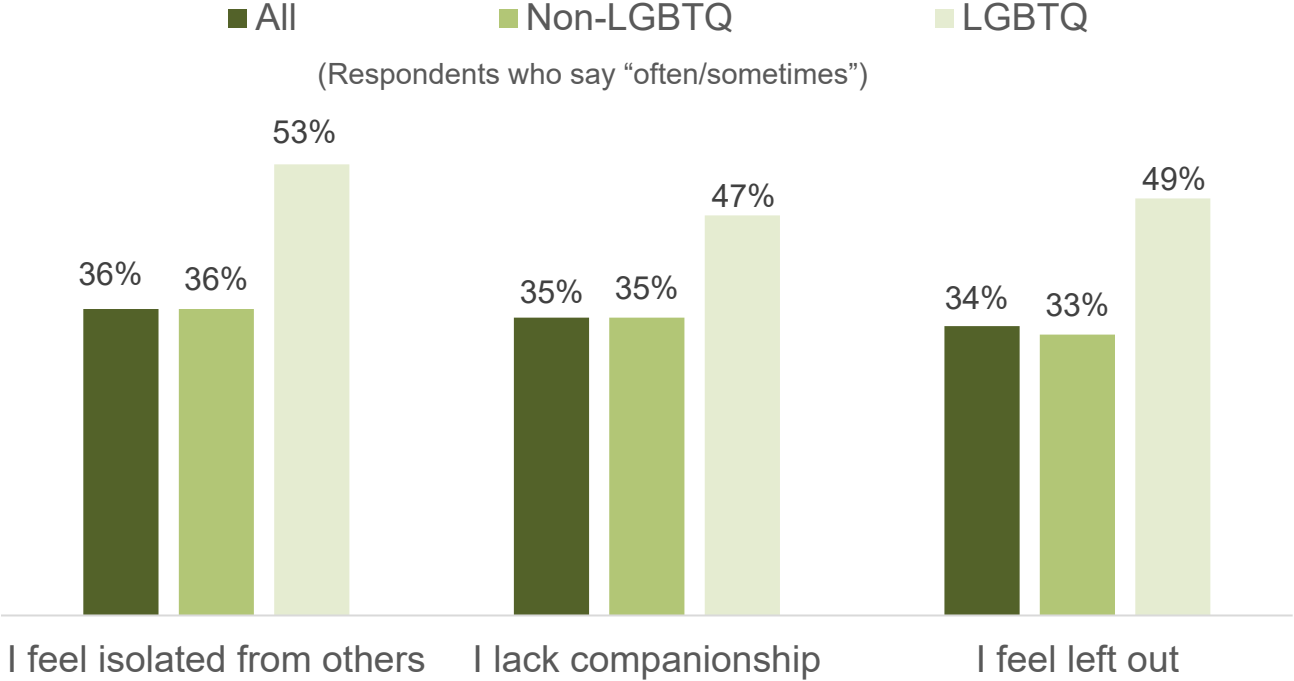
Black and Asian American adults are most likely to feel a lack of companionship, and less likely to have someone to call if in trouble



Black and Asian American adults are slightly less likely to have someone to call if they were in trouble; four out of five have someone to call

Q53: How often do you feel the following?
 Q54: If you were in trouble, do you have friends or family who can help you at any time of the day or night?
 Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

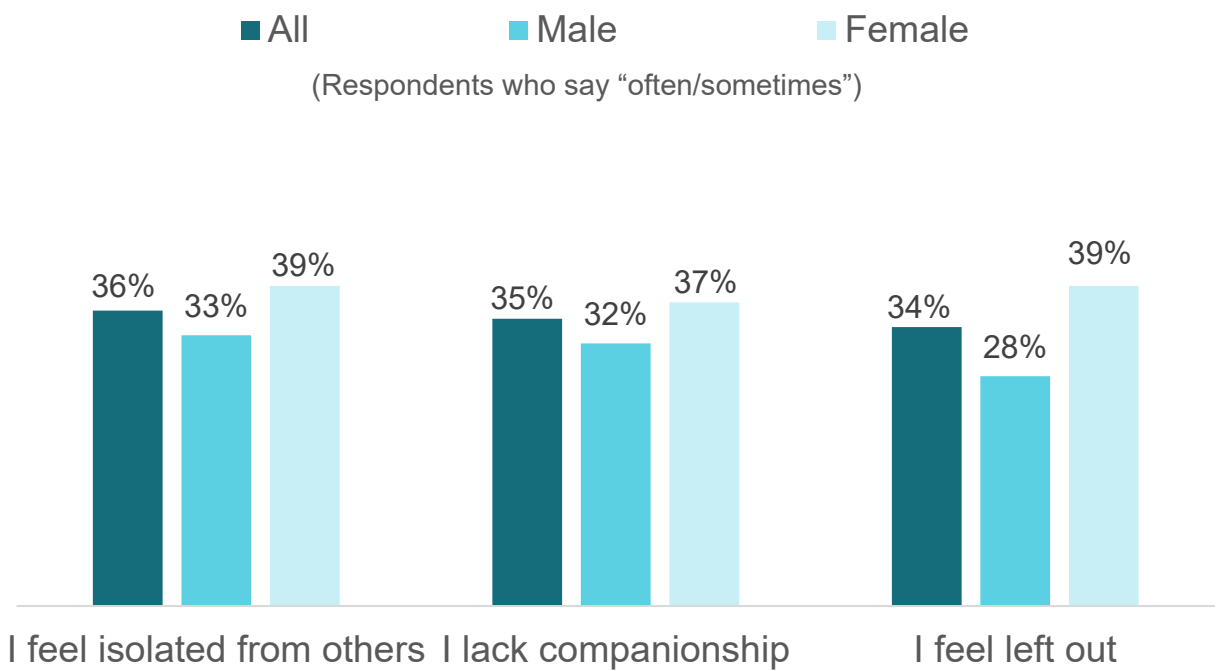
LGBTQ adults are more likely than non-LGBTQ adults to say they lack companionship and feel left out and isolated from others



LGBTQ and non-LGBTQ are similar in whether or not they have someone to call if they were in trouble.

Q53: How often do you feel the following?
Q54. If you were in trouble, do you have friends or family who can help you at any time of the day or night?
Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

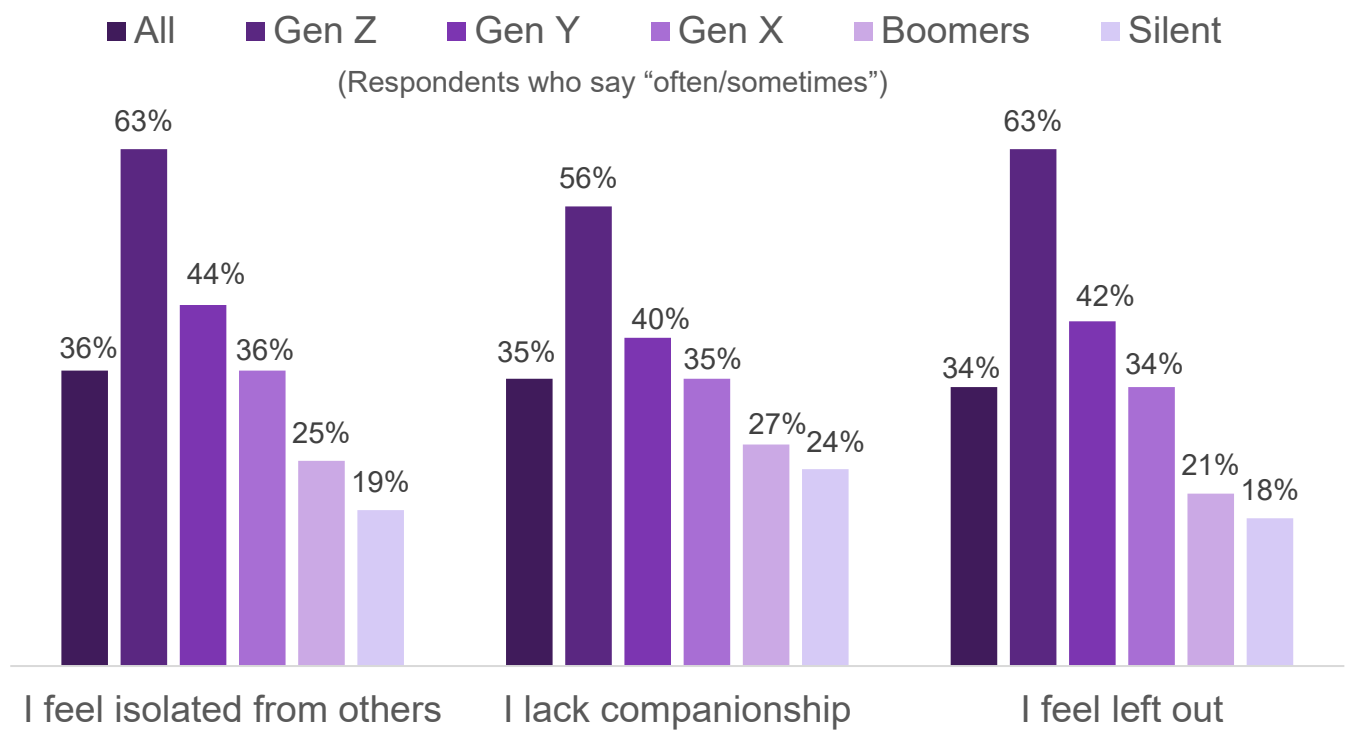
Women are more likely than men to say they lack companionship, feel left out, and feel isolated from others; both genders indicate high rates of having someone to call if they were in trouble



Women are more likely than men to have someone to call if they were in trouble.

Q53: How often do you feel the following?
Q54. If you were in trouble, do you have friends or family who can help you at any time of the day or night?
Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

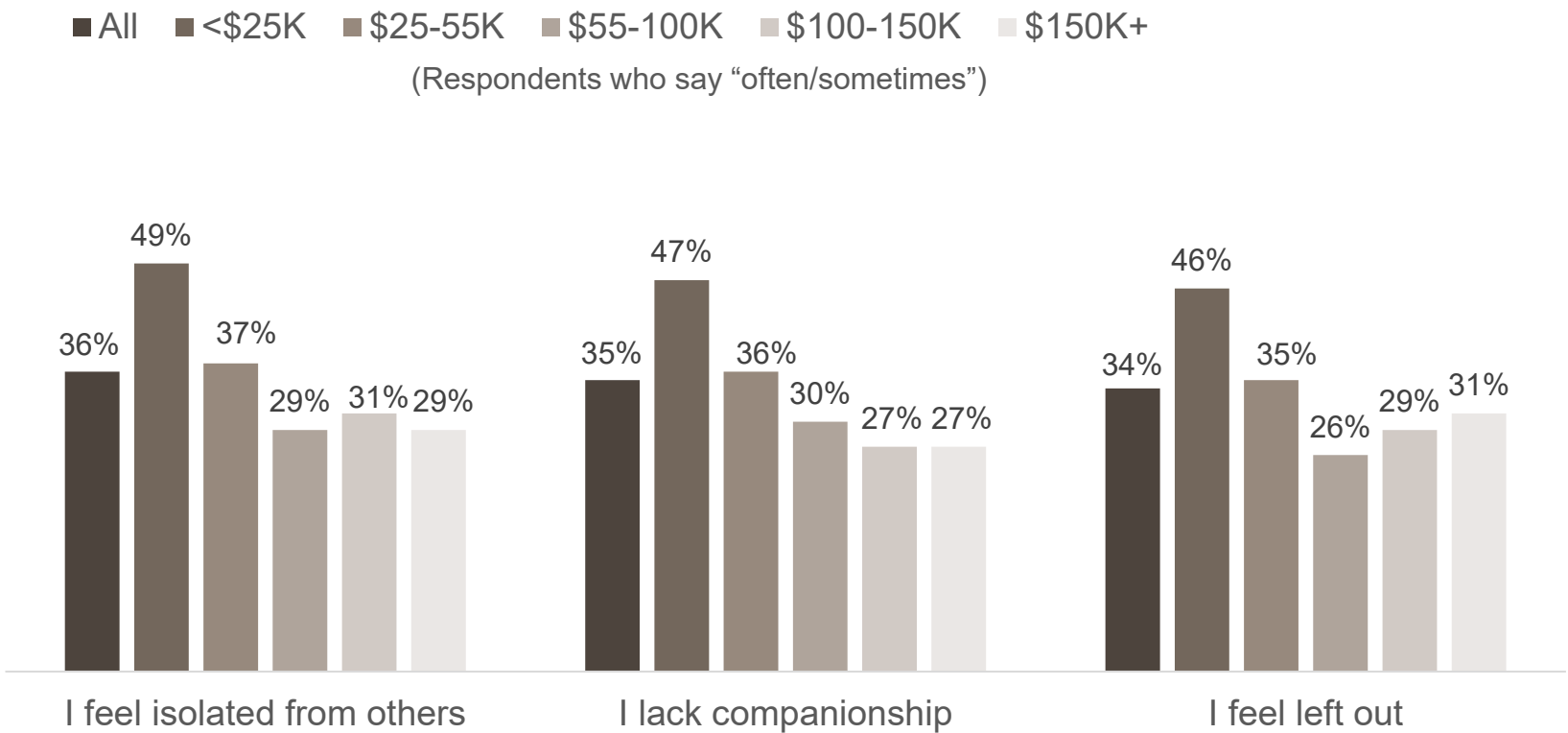
Gen Z is more likely to report lacking companionship, feeling left out, and feeling isolated from others



The Silent Generation is more likely than Gen X, Gen Y and Gen Z to have someone to turn to if they were in trouble.

Q53: How often do you feel the following?
 Q54. If you were in trouble, do you have friends or family who can help you at any time of the day or night?
 Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

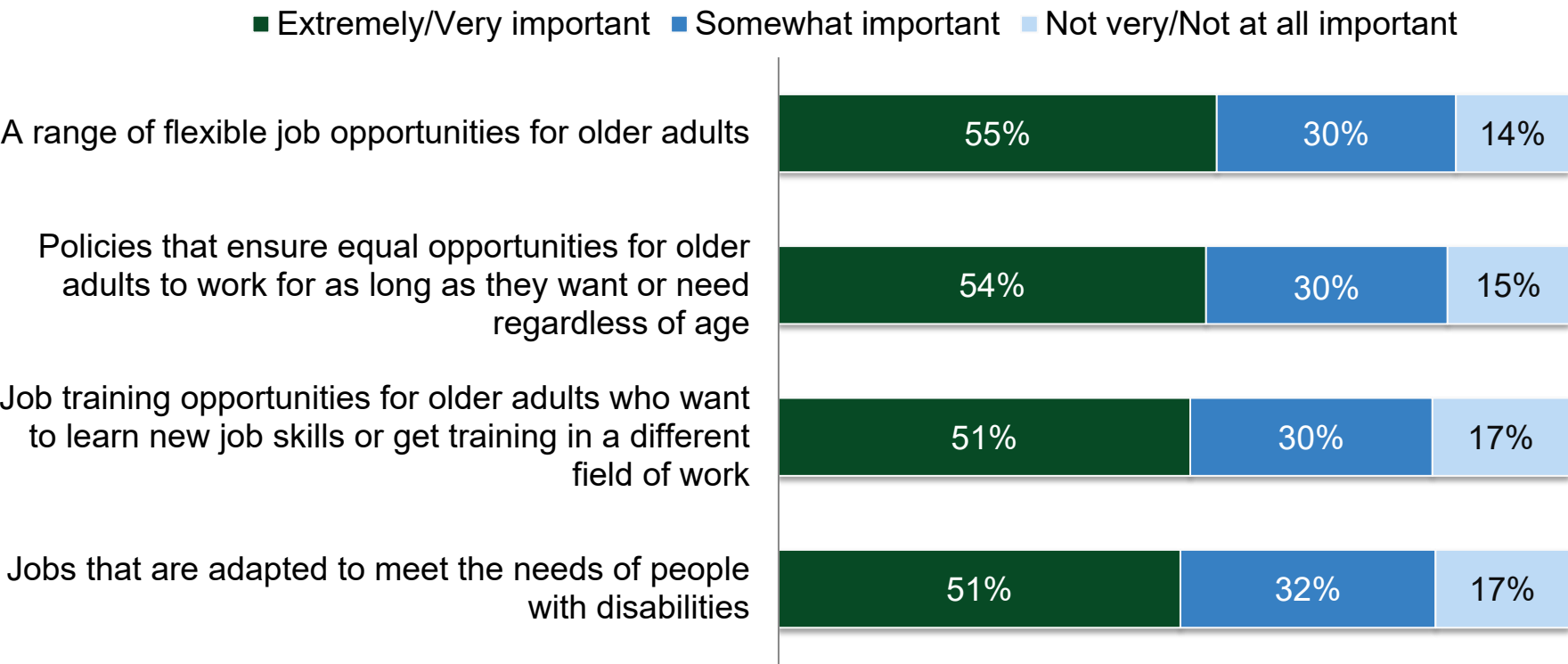
Adults with incomes of less than \$25K are more likely to report lacking companionship and feeling isolated from others



Adults reporting higher incomes (>\$25,000) are more likely to say they have someone they could turn to if they were in trouble than adults reporting incomes of <\$25,000.

Q53: How often do you feel the following?
 Q54. If you were in trouble, do you have friends or family who can help you at any time of the day or night?
 Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

About half say it is extremely or very important to have employment features for older adults and those with disabilities in their community



Q36: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Adults of all ages found a range of flexible job opportunities for older adults and jobs adapted to the needs of people with disabilities among their top features

Top 3 Features among 18-49

A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or receive training in a different field of work

Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age

Top 3 Features among 50+

Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age

Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities

A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Top 3 Features among 65+

Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age

Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities

A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Q36: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults are a top priority across race/ethnicity

Top 3 Features among White, non-Hispanic

A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age

Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities

Top 3 Features among Black, non-Hispanic

Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age

A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities

Top 3 Features among Hispanic

A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or receive training in a different field of work

Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities

Top 3 Features among Asian American, non-Hispanic

A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or receive training in a different field of work

Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age

Q36: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

LGBTQ adults report similar top employment Features among the community

Top 3 Features among Non-LGBTQ

A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age

Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or receive training in a different field of work

Top 3 Features among LGBTQ

A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age

Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or receive training in a different field of work

Q36: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Men and women are similar in top employment features; men prioritize job training opportunities for older adults and women prioritize jobs adapted to the needs of people with disabilities

Top 3 Features among Men

A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age

Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or receive training in a different field of work

Top 3 Features among Women

A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age

Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities

Q36: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Generations are similar in top employment features; with all including policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work among their top features

Top 3 Features among Gen Z

Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or receive training in a different field of work

A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age

Top 3 Features among Gen Y

A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or receive training in a different field of work

Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age

Top 3 Features among Gen X

Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age

A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or receive training in a different field of work

Top 3 Features among Baby Boomers

Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age

Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities

A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Top 3 Features among Silent

Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities

Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age

Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or receive training in a different field of work

Q36: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus



All levels of income report job training and a range of job opportunities for older adults as their top features

Top 3 Features among <\$25K

Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities

Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or receive training in a different field of work

A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Top 3 Features among \$25-55K

A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age

Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or receive training in a different field of work

Top 3 Features among \$55-100K

Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age

A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or receive training in a different field of work

Top 3 Features among \$100-150K

A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age

Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or receive training in a different field of work

Top 3 Features among \$150K+

A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age

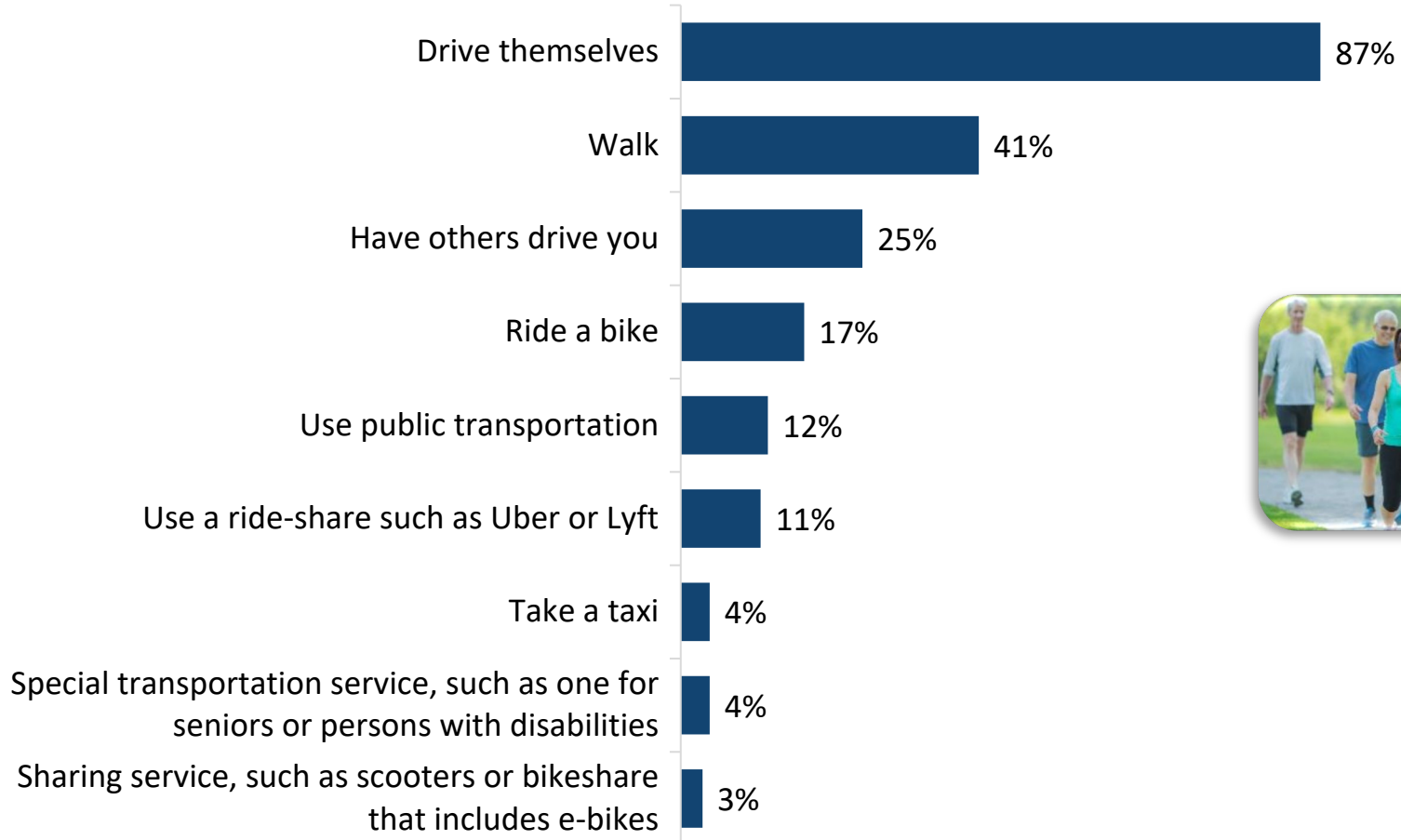
Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities

Q36: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus



Most adults drive to get around their community



Q13: How do you usually get around your community for activities including shopping, visiting the doctor, running errands, or other things?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Adults ages 18-49 report greater frequencies of all forms of transportation, with the exception of driving themselves or utilizing special transportation



Transportation

	All	Age 18-49	Age 50+	Age 65+
Drive	87%	85%	90%	90%
Walk	41%	48%	32%	31%
Have others drive them	25%	27%	23%	27%
Bike	17%	20%	13%	8%
Public transportation	12%	15%	8%	7%
Ride share service	11%	15%	7%	6%
Special transportation	4%	4%	5%	5%
Taxi	4%	5%	3%	2%
Sharing service	3%	5%	1%	1%

Q13: How do you usually get around your community for activities including shopping, visiting the doctor, running errands, or other things?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Adults with a disability are less likely to walk, more likely to have others drive them, and are more likely to use most other forms of transportation



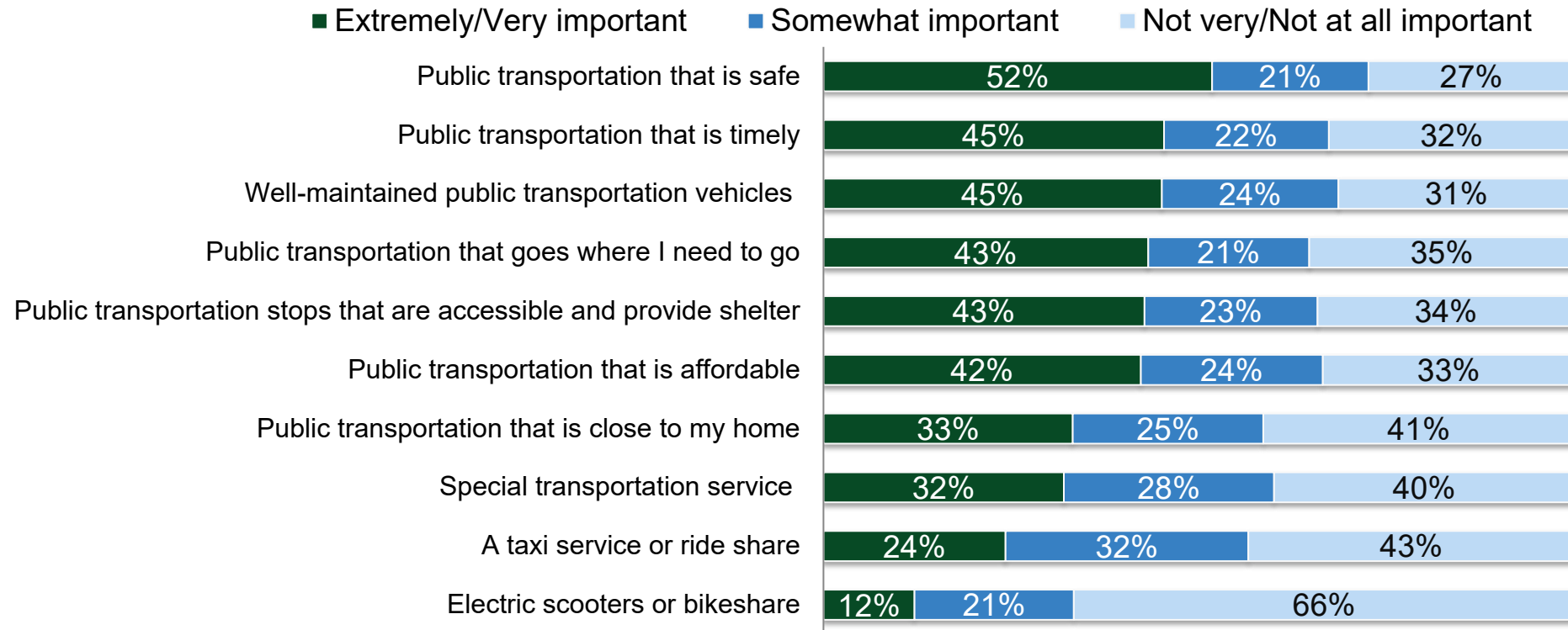
	All	Not Disabled	Disabled
Drive	88%	91%	77%
Walk	41%	42%	36%
Have others drive them	25%	21%	36%
Bike	17%	17%	15%
Public transportation	12%	11%	14%
Ride share service	11%	11%	11%
Special transportation	4%	3%	10%
Taxi	4%	4%	4%
Sharing service	3%	2%	6%

Q13: How do you usually get around your community for activities including shopping, visiting the doctor, running errands, or other things?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus



Many place high importance on public transportation safety, timeliness, and maintenance



Q15 & Q16: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

All adults report safe public transportation among the top features



Top 3 Features among 18-49

Public transportation that
is safe

Public transportation that
is timely

Well-maintained public
transportation vehicles
that are clean and well-
ventilated

Top 3 Features among 50+

Public transportation that
is safe

Well-maintained public
transportation vehicles
that are clean and well-
ventilated

Public transportation that
goes where I need to go

Top 3 Features among 65+

Public transportation that
is safe

Public transportation that
goes where I need to go

Well-maintained public
transportation vehicles
that are clean and well-
ventilated

Q15 & Q16: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus



Black adults include accessible public transportation stops in top three features

Top 3 Features among White, non- Hispanic

Public transportation
that is safe

Public transportation
that is timely

Well-maintained public
transportation vehicles
that are clean and well-
ventilated

Top 3 Features among Black, non- Hispanic

Public transportation
that is safe

Public transportation
that is timely

Public transportation
stops that are
accessible to people of
varying physical abilities
and provide proper
lighting and shelter

Top 3 Features among Hispanic

Public transportation
that is safe

Public transportation
that is timely

Well-maintained public
transportation vehicles
that are clean and well-
ventilated

Top 3 Features among Asian American, non- Hispanic

Public transportation
that is safe

Public transportation
that is timely

Public transportation
that goes where I need
to go

Q15 & Q16: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

LGBTQ adults prioritize affordable public transportation, while non-LGBTQ adults place priority on well-maintained public transportation



Top 3 Features among Non-LGBTQ

Public transportation that is
safe

Public transportation that is
timely

Well-maintained public
transportation vehicles that are
clean and well-ventilated

Top 3 Features among LGBTQ

Public transportation that is
safe

Public transportation that is
affordable

Public transportation that is
timely

Q15 & Q16: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Men and women are similar in top transportation features



Top 3 Features among Men

Public transportation that is safe

Public transportation that is timely

Well-maintained public transportation vehicles that are clean and well-ventilated

Top 3 Features among Women

Public transportation that is safe

Well-maintained public transportation vehicles that are clean and well-ventilated

Public transportation that is timely

Q15 & Q16: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

The Silent generation included transportation that takes them where they need to go among their priorities



Top 3 Features among Gen Z

Public
transportation
that is safe

Public
transportation
that is timely

Well-maintained
public
transportation
vehicles that are
clean and well-
ventilated

Top 3 Features among Gen Y

Public
transportation
that is safe

Public
transportation
that is timely

Well-maintained
public
transportation
vehicles that are
clean and well-
ventilated

Top 3 Features among Gen X

Public
transportation
that is safe

Well-maintained
public
transportation
vehicles that are
clean and well-
ventilated

Public
transportation
that is timely

Top 3 Features among Baby Boomers

Public
transportation
that is safe

Public
transportation
stops that are
accessible to
people of varying
physical abilities
and provide
proper lighting
and shelter

Well-maintained
public
transportation
vehicles that are
clean and well-
ventilated

Top 3 Features among Silent

Public
transportation
that goes where I
need to go

Public
transportation
that is safe

Public
transportation
stops that are
accessible to
people of varying
physical abilities
and provide
proper lighting
and shelter

Q15 & Q16: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Transportation top features are similar across income levels with focus on safe, well-maintained, and timely transportation



Top 3 Features among <\$25K

Public transportation
that is safe

Public transportation
that is timely

Public transportation
stops that are
accessible to people
of varying physical
abilities and provide
proper lighting and
shelter

Top 3 Features among \$25-55K

Public transportation
that is safe

Well-maintained
public transportation
vehicles that are
clean and well-
ventilated

Public transportation
that is timely

Top 3 Features among \$55-100K

Public transportation
that is safe

Well-maintained
public transportation
vehicles that are
clean and well-
ventilated

Public transportation
that is timely

Top 3 Features among \$100-150K+

Public transportation
that is safe

Public transportation
that is timely

Public transportation
that goes where I
need to go

Top 3 Features among \$150K+

Public transportation
that is safe

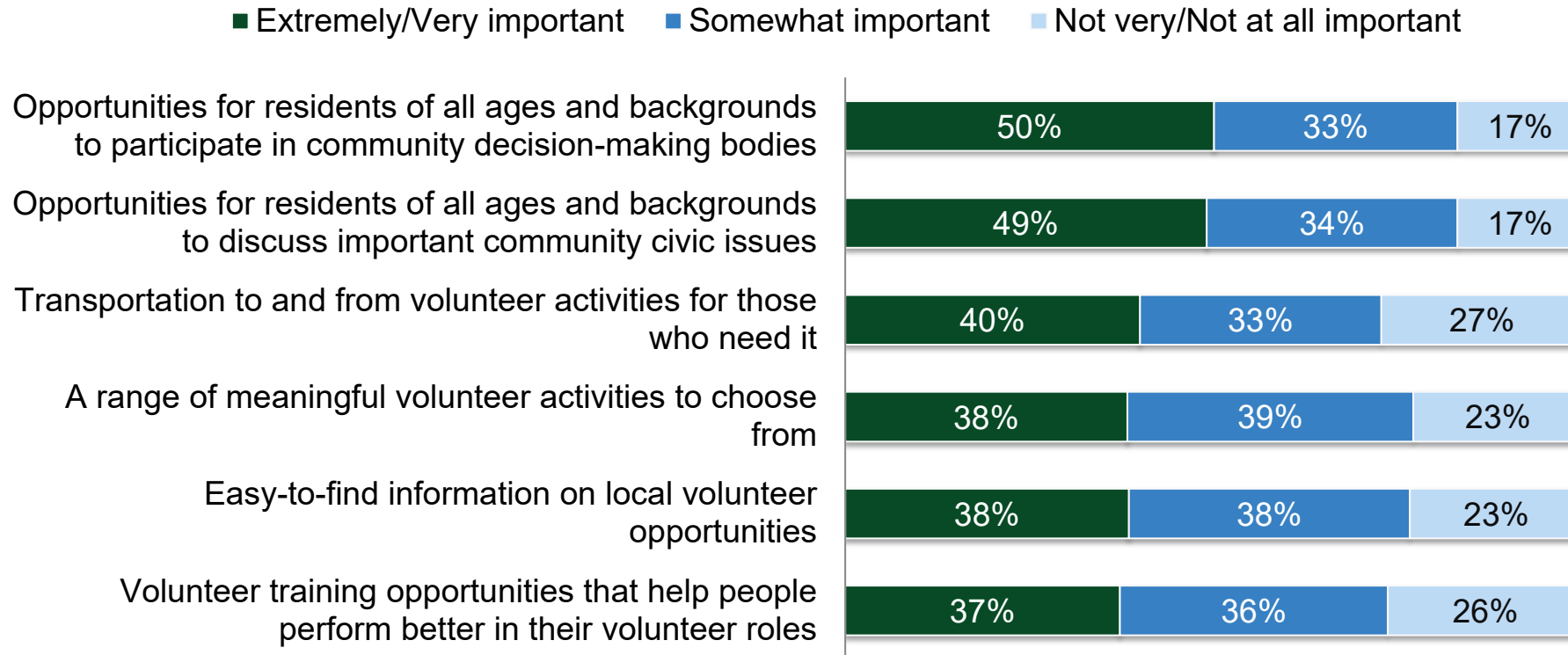
Well-maintained
public transportation
vehicles that are
clean and well-
ventilated

Public transportation
that is timely

Q15 & Q16: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Opportunities to influence community decisions and discuss community issues is extremely or very important to half of adults



Q34 & Q35: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Top features for volunteering are similar across ages, with transportation to volunteer activities first priority for older adults



Top 3 Features among 18-49

Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies

Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities

Top 3 Features among 50+

Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies

Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it

Top 3 Features among 65+

Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies

Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it

Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

Q34 & Q35: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Race/ethnicity groups are similar in opinion in volunteer and civic engagement features



Top 3 Features among White, non-Hispanic

Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies

Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

A range of meaningful opportunities to choose from

Top 3 Features among Black, non-Hispanic

Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies

Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities

Top 3 Features among Hispanic

Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies

Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it

Top 3 Features among Asian American, non- Hispanic

Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies

A range of meaningful opportunities to choose from

Q34 & Q35: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Both non-LGBTQ and LGBTQ adults find the same volunteer and civic engagement features a top priority

Top 3 Features among Non-LGBTQ

Opportunities for all residents
to participate in community
decision-making bodies

Opportunities for all residents
to gather and discuss
important community civic
issues

Transportation to and from
volunteer activities for those
who need it

Top 3 Features among LGBTQ

Opportunities for all residents
to participate in community
decision-making bodies

Opportunities for all residents
to gather and discuss
important community civic
issues

Transportation to and from
volunteer activities for those
who need it

Q34 & 35: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Volunteer and civic engagement features are similar across gender with men placing more importance on transportation and women on information



Top 3 Features among Men

Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies

Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it

Top 3 Features among Women

Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies

Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities

Q34 & Q35: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Generations are similar in volunteer and civic top features



Top 3 Features among Gen Z

Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies

Volunteer training opportunities that help people perform better in their volunteer roles

Top 3 Features among Gen Y

Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies

Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities

Top 3 Features among Gen X

Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies

Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it

Top 3 Features among Baby Boomers

Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies

Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it

Top 3 Features among Silent

Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies

Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it

Q34 & Q35: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Top volunteer and civic features are similar across income levels; lower incomes report transportation to volunteer activities

Top 3 Features among <\$25K

Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies

Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it

Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

Top 3 Features among \$25-55K

Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies

Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it

Top 3 Features among \$55-100K

Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies

Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it

Top 3 Features among \$100-150K+

Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies

Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

A range of meaningful opportunities to choose from

Top 3 Features among \$150K+

Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies

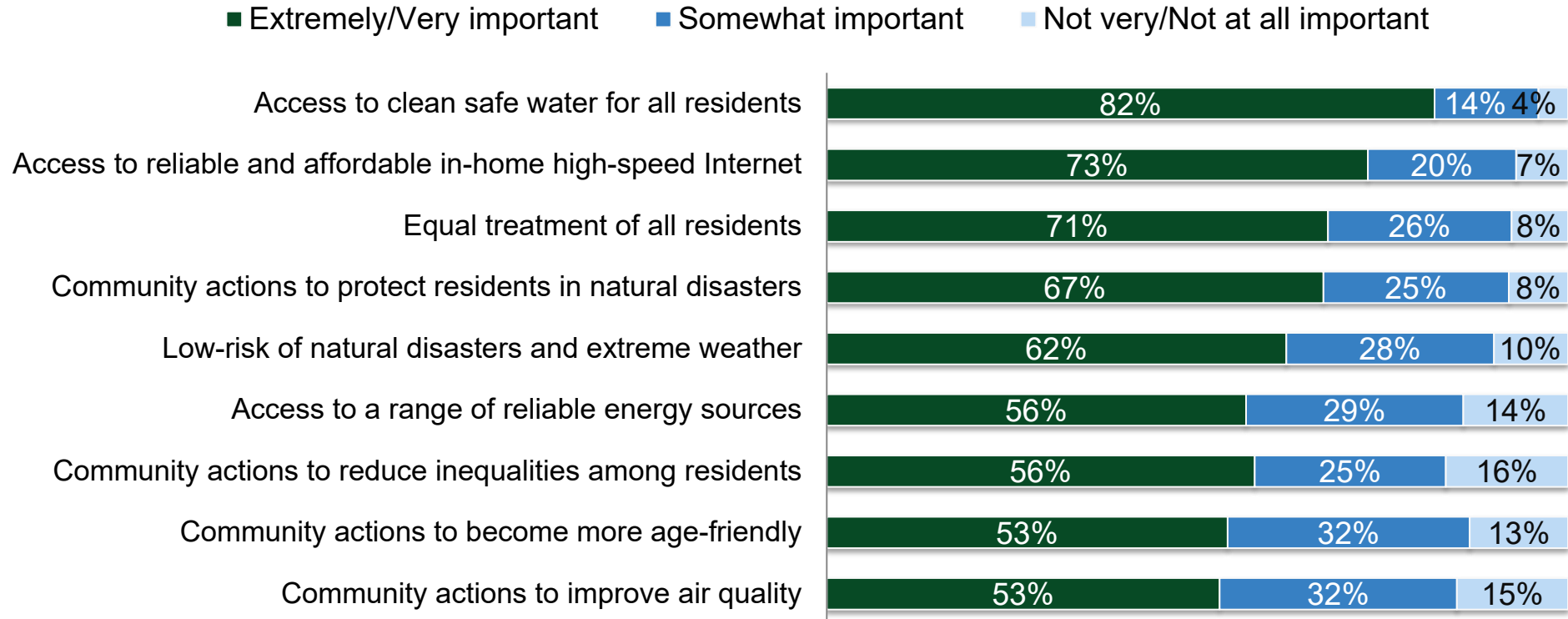
Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

A range of meaningful opportunities to choose from

Q34 & Q35: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Clean safe water, reliable affordable Internet, and equal treatment of all residents top the list of environment and equity community features



Q37: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Top features for environment and equity are similar across ages, with protection in natural disasters a priority for older adults

Top 3 Features among 18-49

Access to clean safe water

Access to reliable and affordable in-home Internet

Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences

Top 3 Features among 50+

Access to clean safe water

Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences

Community-wide actions to protect residents in natural disasters

Top 3 Features among 65+

Access to clean safe water

Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences

Community-wide actions to protect residents in natural disasters

Q37: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Race/ethnicity groups are similar in opinion in environment and equity features

Top 3 Features among White, non-Hispanic

Access to clean safe water

Access to reliable and affordable in-home Internet

Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences

Top 3 Features among Black, non-Hispanic

Access to clean safe water

Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences

Community-wide actions to protect residents in natural disasters

Top 3 Features among Hispanic

Access to clean safe water

Access to reliable and affordable in-home Internet

Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences

Top 3 Features among Asian American, non-Hispanic

Access to clean safe water

Access to reliable and affordable in-home Internet

Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences

Q37: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Both non-LGBTQ and LGBTQ adults find the same environment and equity features a top priority

Top 3 Features among Non-LGBTQ

Access to clean safe water

Access to reliable and
affordable in-home Internet

Equal treatment of all
residents regardless of
race, gender, age, ethnicity,
sexual orientation, or other
differences

Top 3 Features among LGBTQ

Access to clean safe water

Equal treatment of all
residents regardless of
race, gender, age, ethnicity,
sexual orientation, or other
differences

Access to reliable and
affordable in-home Internet

Q37: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Volunteer and civic engagement features are similar across gender with men placing more importance on transportation and women on information



Top 3 Features among Men

Access to clean safe water

Access to reliable and affordable in-home Internet

Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences

Top 3 Features among Women

Access to clean safe water

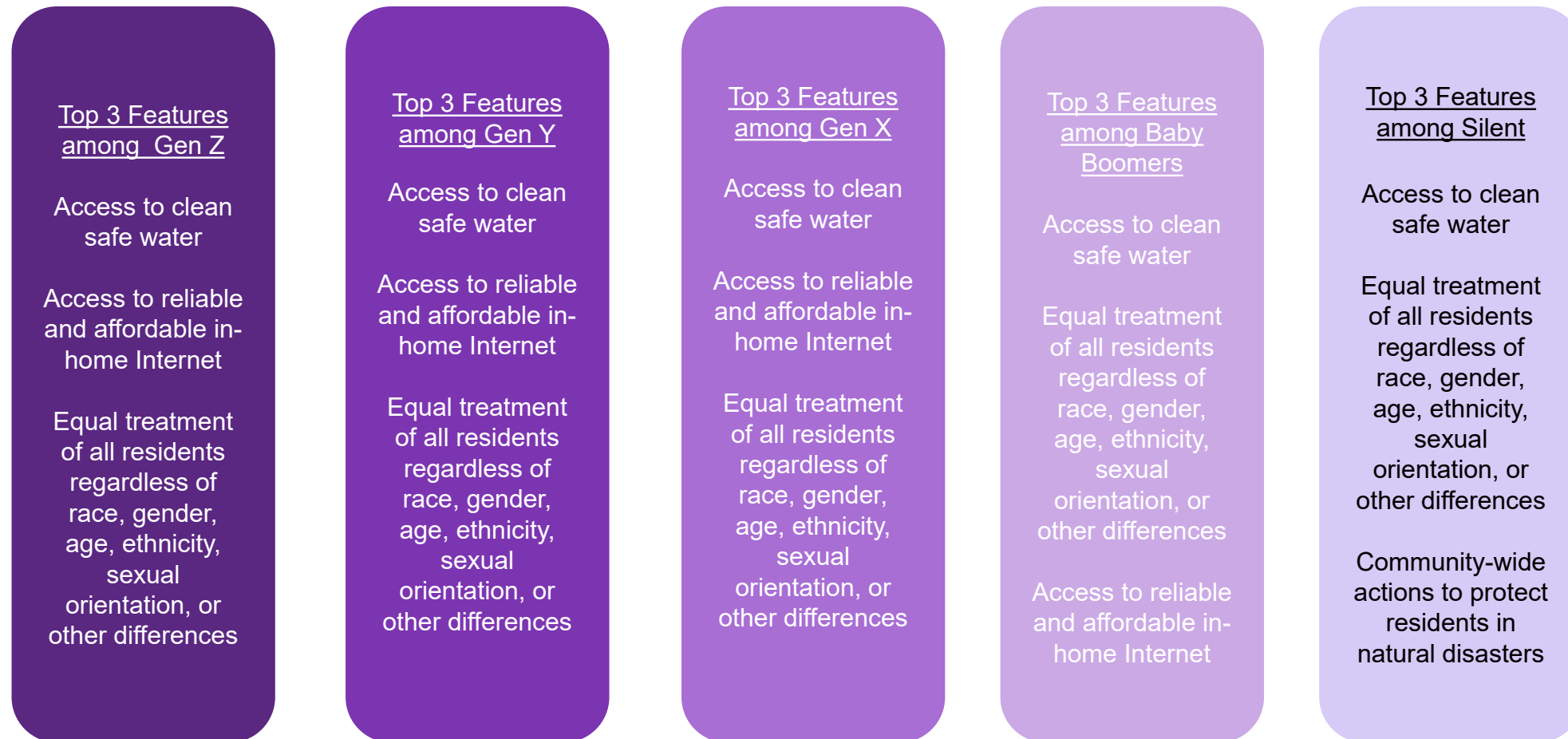
Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences

Access to reliable and affordable in-home Internet

Q37: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Generations are similar in top environment and equity features with protection in natural disasters top for older generations



Q37: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Top environment and equity features are similar across income groups

Top 3 Features among <\$25K

Access to clean safe water

Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences

Community-wide actions to protect residents in natural disasters

Top 3 Features among \$25-55K

Access to clean safe water

Access to reliable and affordable in-home Internet

Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences

Top 3 Features among \$55-100K

Access to clean safe water

Access to reliable and affordable in-home Internet

Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences

Top 3 Features among \$100-150K+

Access to clean safe water

Access to reliable and affordable in-home Internet

Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences

Top 3 Features among \$150K+

Access to clean safe water

Access to reliable and affordable in-home Internet

Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences

Q37: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

COVID-19 PANDEMIC

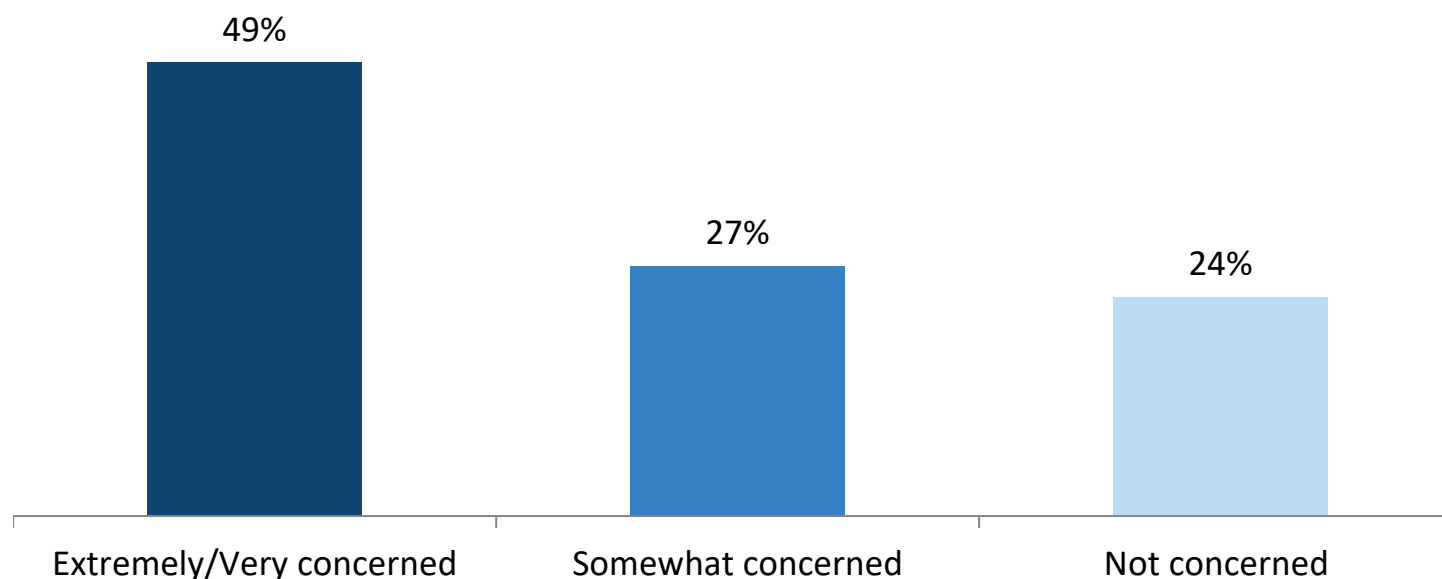
COVID-19 Pandemic Highlights

- ❖ Half of adults are extremely or very concerned about the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on themselves and their family. This concern is even higher among adults age 50 and older.
- ❖ Throughout the pandemic, 64 percent of adults have sheltered at home and 47 percent began working remotely from home. Adults age 65 and older were more likely to have sheltered at home.
- ❖ About half went out less often by stocking up on supplies (56%) and shopping online (48%).
- ❖ Sixty-four percent of adults have used video chat such as Zoom, Skype, or Facetime to connect with family and friends and 51 percent have participated in virtual doctor visits.
- ❖ At least two-thirds of adults would feel more comfortable going out in their communities if there were frequent sanitizing of areas (75%), seating areas were more spaced apart (70%), and wearing facemasks was enforced (65%). Adults age 50 and older would take even more comfort from these measures.

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus



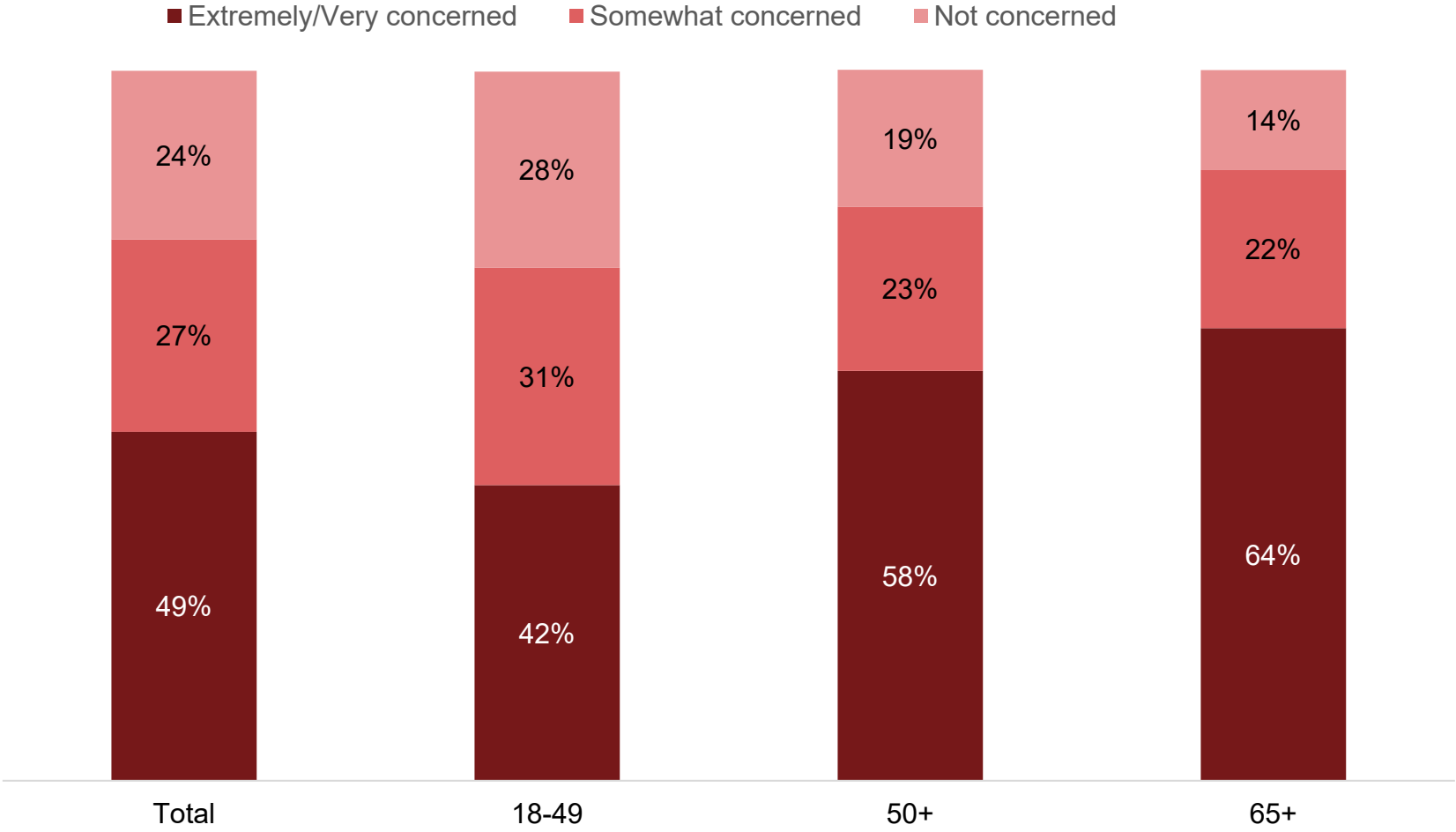
Nearly half of adults were concerned the Coronavirus would impact themselves or their family in the past year



Q38: How concerned were you about the Coronavirus impacting you or your family during the past year?

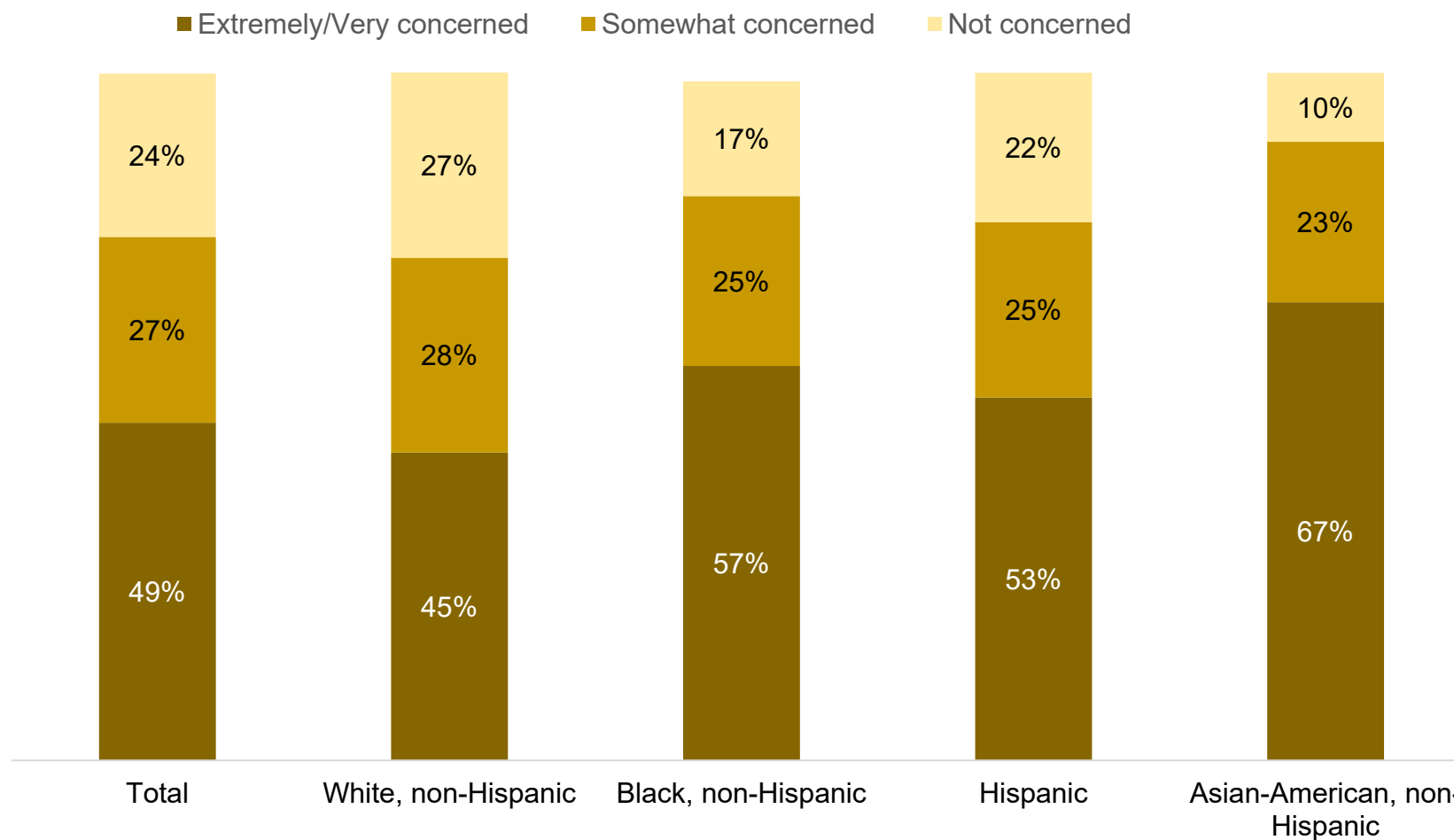
Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Older adults tended to be more concerned the Coronavirus would impact themselves or their family



Q38: How concerned were you about the Coronavirus impacting you or your family during the past year?
 Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

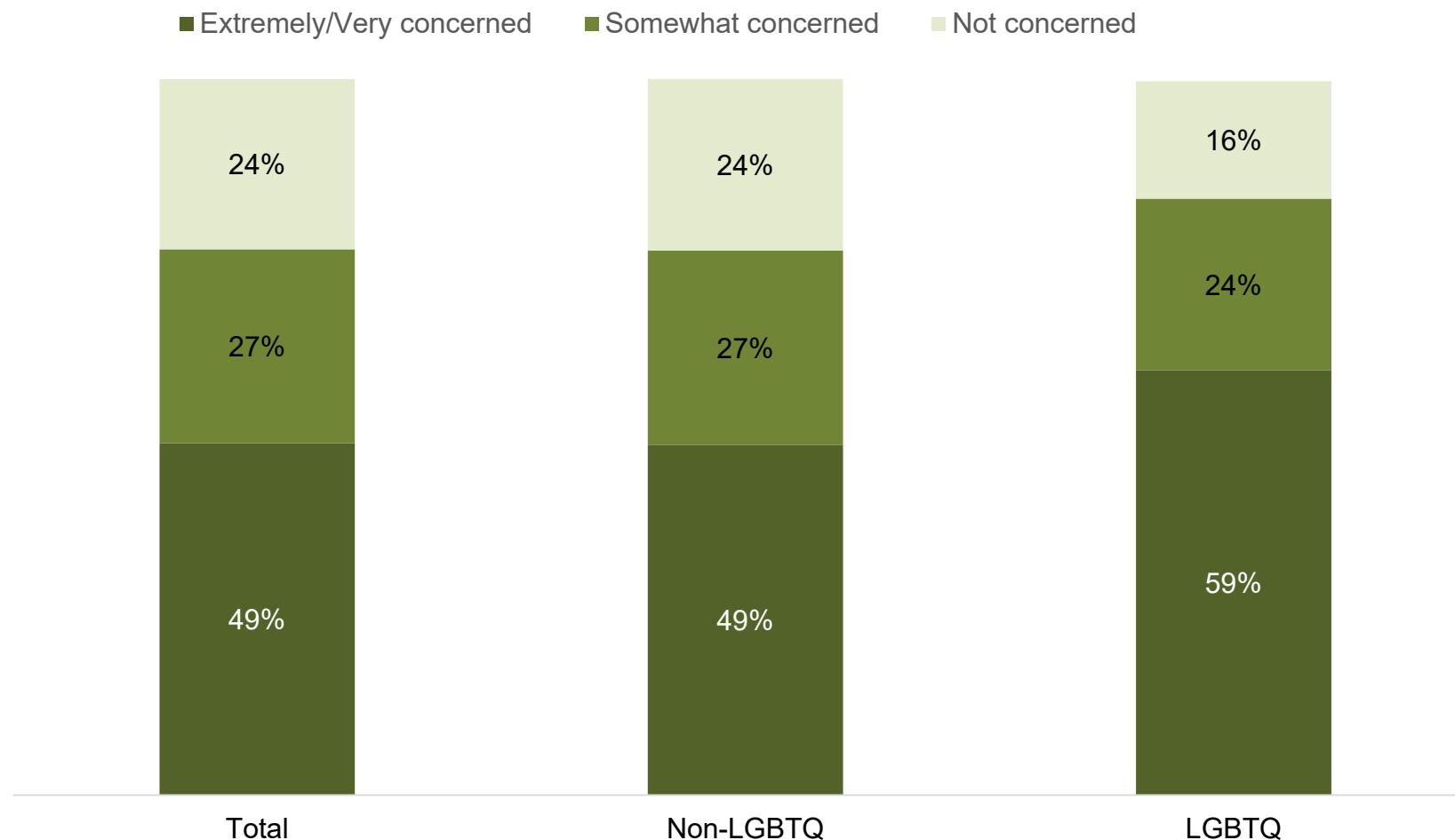
Asian-American adults were most concerned the Coronavirus would impact themselves or their family



Q38: How concerned were you about the Coronavirus impacting you or your family during the past year?

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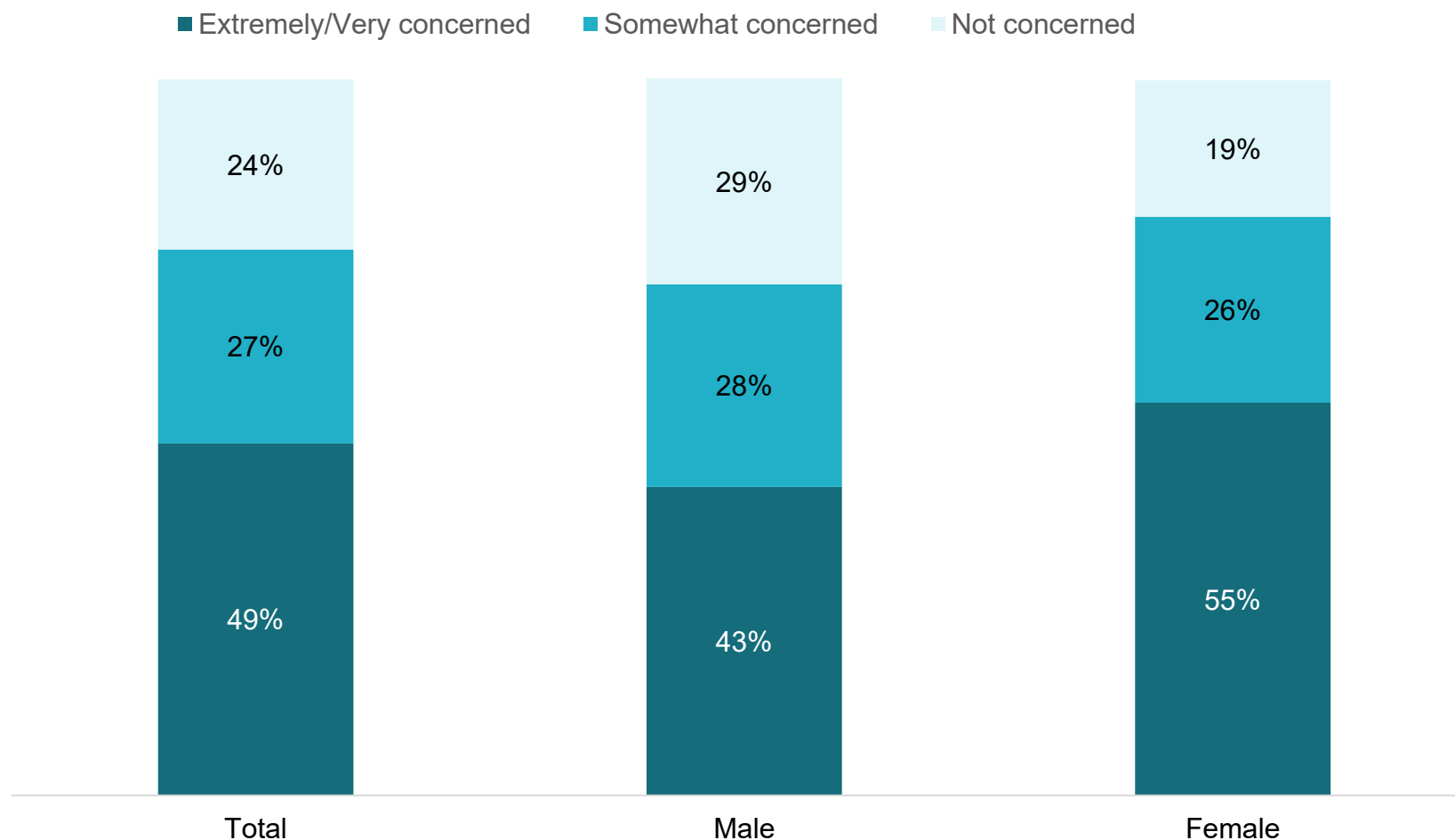
LGBTQ adults were more concerned about the impact of the Coronavirus than non-LGBTQ adults



Q38: How concerned were you about the Coronavirus impacting you or your family during the past year?

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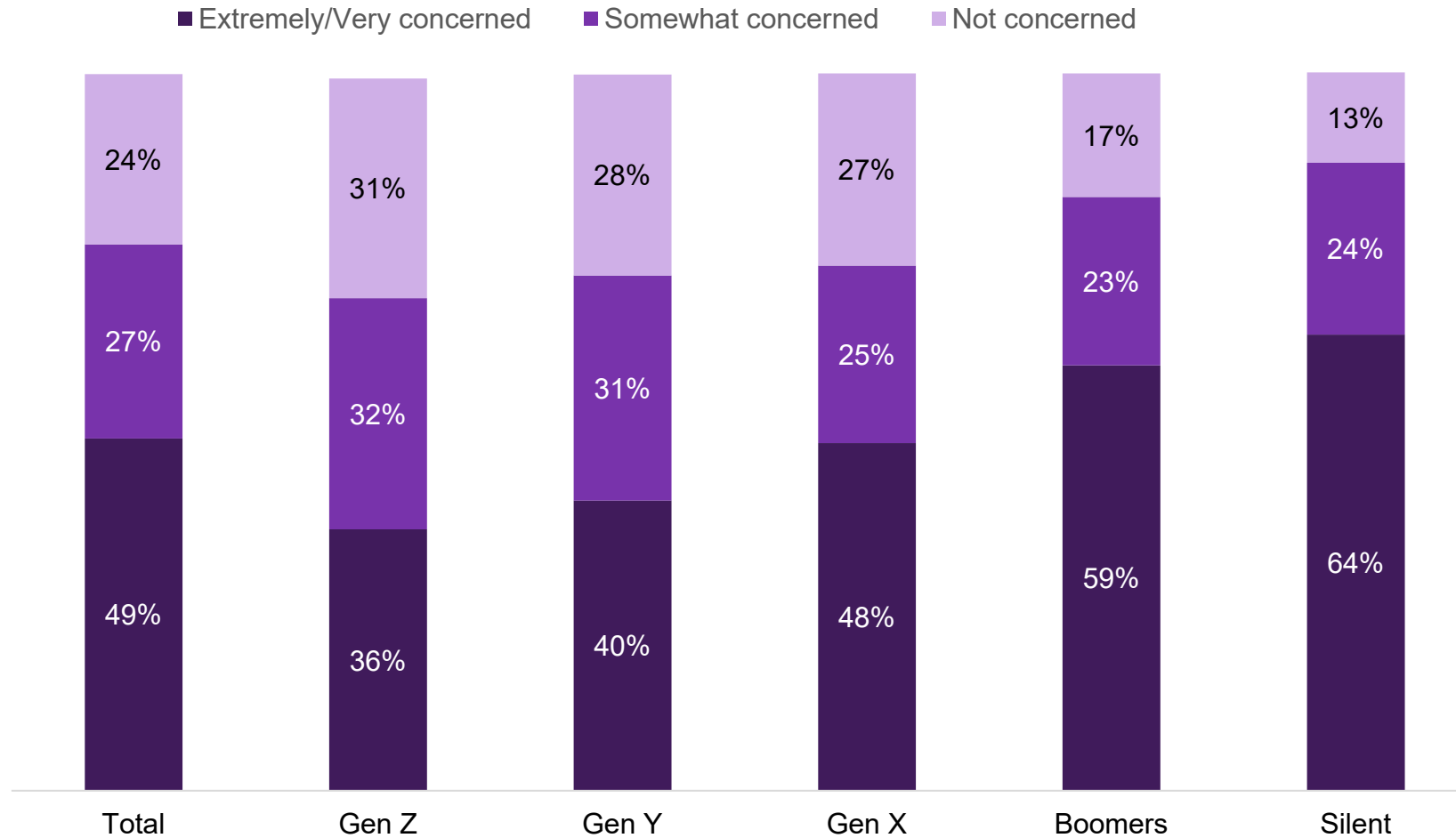
Women were more concerned than men that the Coronavirus would impact themselves or their family



Q38: How concerned were you about the Coronavirus impacting you or your family during the past year?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

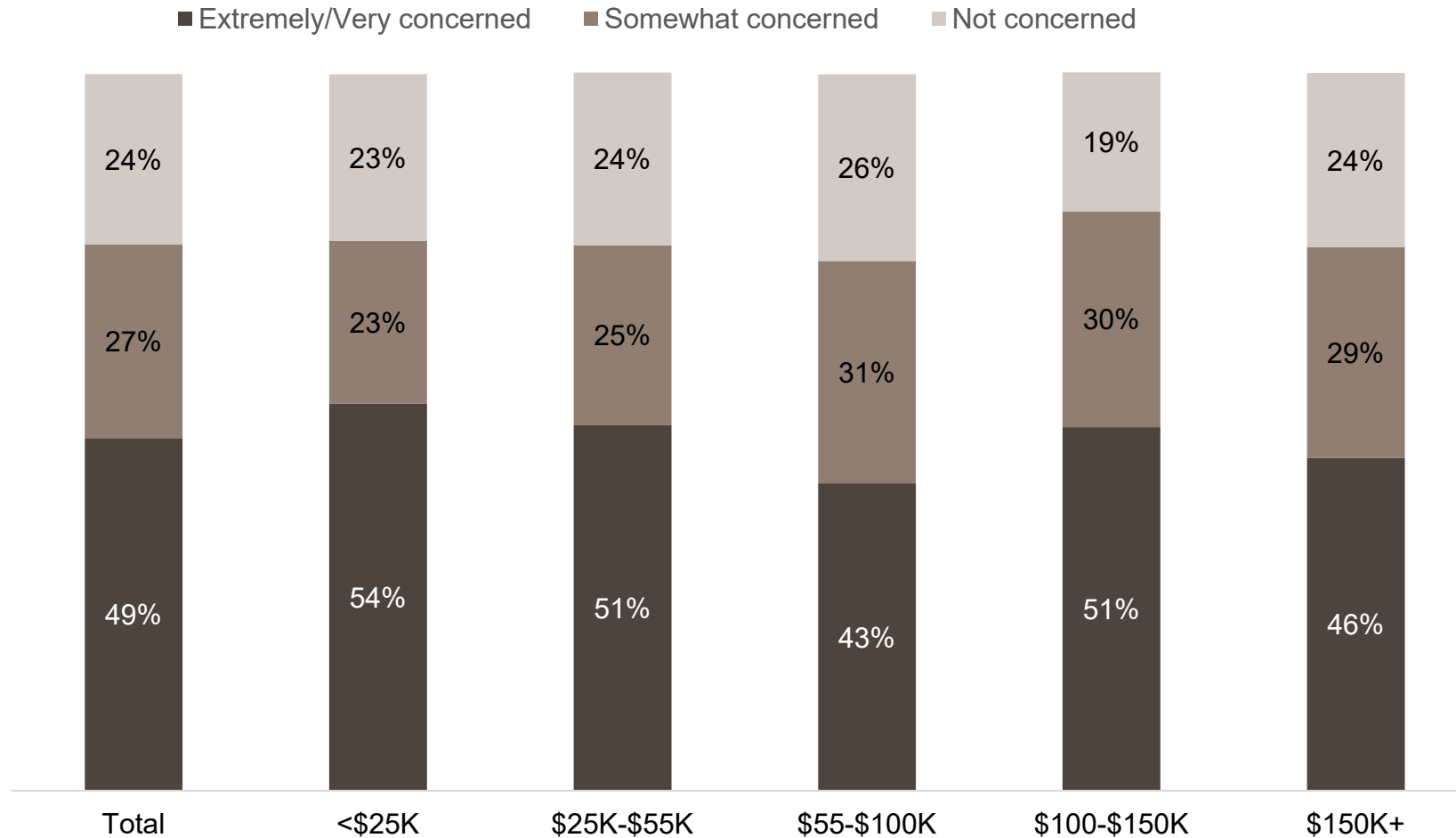
Gen Z and Gen Y were less concerned than Boomers and the Silent generation about the impacts of the Coronavirus



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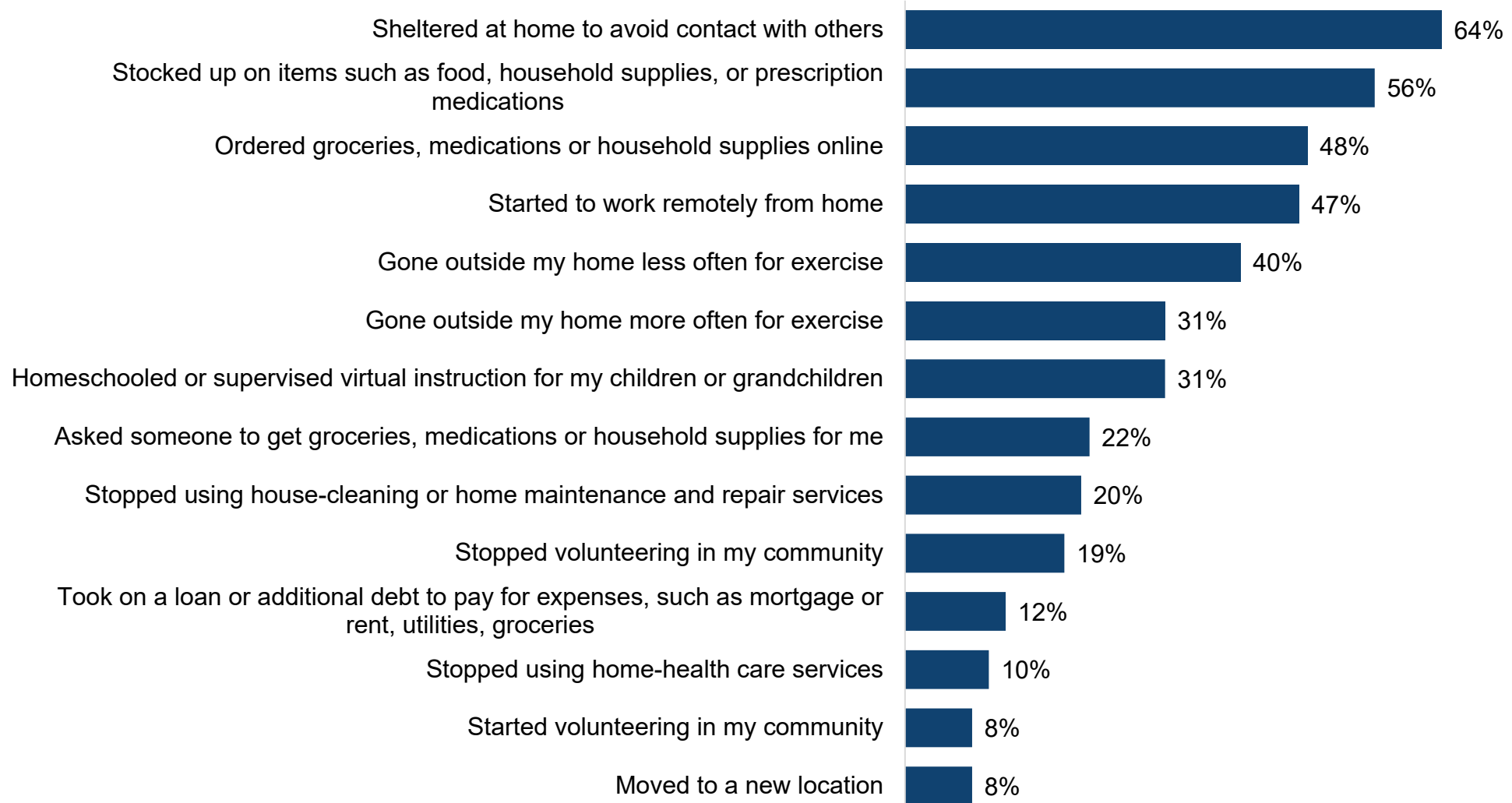
Concern that the Coronavirus would impact themselves or their family is similar across all income levels



Q38: How concerned were you about the Coronavirus impacting you or your family during the past year?

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Adults stayed home and stocked up on food and supplies because of the Coronavirus



Q39: Have you or anyone in your household done any of the following due to the Coronavirus?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Adults age 65+ are more likely to shelter in place during the pandemic

	All	Age 18-49	Age 50+	Age 65+
Sheltered at home to avoid contact with others	64%	63%	65%	71%
Stocked up on items such as food, household supplies, or prescription medications	56%	58%	54%	55%
Ordered groceries, medications or household supplies online	48%	53%	43%	43%
Started to work remotely from home	47%	50%	42%	35%
Gone outside my home less often for exercise	40%	42%	38%	44%
Gone outside my home more often for exercise	31%	32%	31%	30%
Homeschooled or supervised virtual instruction for my children or grandchildren	31%	40%	22%	19%
Asked someone to get groceries, medications or household supplies for me	22%	25%	19%	22%
Stopped using house-cleaning or home maintenance and repair services	20%	20%	20%	23%
Stopped volunteering in my community	19%	19%	20%	24%
Took on a loan or additional debt to pay for expenses, such as mortgage or rent, utilities, groceries	12%	17%	7%	3%
Stopped using home-health care services	10%	10%	10%	8%
Started volunteering in my community	8%	9%	6%	5%
Moved to a new location	8%	12%	3%	3%

Q39: Have you or anyone in your household done any of the following due to the Coronavirus?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Asian-American Adults started working from home more so than others

	All	White, NH	Black, NH	Hispanic	Asian-American, NH
Sheltered at home to avoid contact with others	64%	64%	64%	61%	77%
Stocked up on items such as food, household supplies, or prescription medications	56%	52%	62%	62%	71%
Ordered groceries, medications or household supplies online	48%	49%	42%	49%	57%
Started to work remotely from home	47%	47%	45%	43%	62%
Gone outside my home less often for exercise	40%	35%	48%	47%	57%
Gone outside my home more often for exercise	31%	31%	34%	29%	30%
Homeschooled or supervised virtual instruction for my children or grandchildren	31%	27%	41%	38%	36%
Asked someone to get groceries, medications or household supplies for me	22%	20%	25%	28%	23%
Stopped using house-cleaning or home maintenance and repair services	20%	17%	23%	23%	37%
Stopped volunteering in my community	19%	16%	20%	24%	30%
Took on a loan or additional debt to pay for expenses, such as mortgage or rent, utilities, groceries	12%	8%	21%	20%	14%
Stopped using home-health care services	10%	6%	17%	16%	19%
Started volunteering in my community	8%	6%	15%	8%	13%
Moved to a new location	8%	6%	12%	9%	10%

Q39: Have you or anyone in your household done any of the following due to the Coronavirus?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

LGBTQ adults were more likely to stay home preferring to order items online, work remotely, and exercise outside less often

	All	Non-LGBTQ	LGBTQ
Sheltered at home to avoid contact with others	64%	64%	77%
Stocked up on items such as food, household supplies, or prescription medications	56%	56%	58%
Ordered groceries, medications or household supplies online	48%	48%	58%
Started to work remotely from home	47%	47%	55%
Gone outside my home less often for exercise	40%	40%	54%
Gone outside my home more often for exercise	31%	31%	27%
Homeschooled or supervised virtual instruction for my children or grandchildren	31%	31%	30%
Asked someone to get groceries, medications or household supplies for me	22%	22%	31%
Stopped using house-cleaning or home maintenance and repair services	20%	20%	24%
Stopped volunteering in my community	19%	19%	20%
Took on a loan or additional debt to pay for expenses, such as mortgage or rent, utilities, groceries	12%	12%	18%
Stopped using home-health care services	10%	10%	9%
Started volunteering in my community	8%	8%	10%
Moved to a new location	8%	7%	12%

Q39: Have you or anyone in your household done any of the following due to the Coronavirus?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Women more so than men took precautions due to the Coronavirus

	All	Male	Female
Sheltered at home to avoid contact with others	64%	58%	70%
Stocked up on items such as food, household supplies, or prescription medications	56%	51%	62%
Ordered groceries, medications or household supplies online	48%	41%	55%
Started to work remotely from home	47%	44%	51%
Gone outside my home less often for exercise	40%	36%	44%
Gone outside my home more often for exercise	31%	30%	32%
Homeschooled or supervised virtual instruction for my children or grandchildren	31%	27%	35%
Asked someone to get groceries, medications or household supplies for me	22%	18%	26%
Stopped using house-cleaning or home maintenance and repair services	20%	19%	21%
Stopped volunteering in my community	19%	17%	21%
Took on a loan or additional debt to pay for expenses, such as mortgage or rent, utilities, groceries	12%	11%	13%
Stopped using home-health care services	10%	9%	11%
Started volunteering in my community	8%	7%	8%
Moved to a new location	8%	7%	8%

Q39: Have you or anyone in your household done any of the following due to the Coronavirus?

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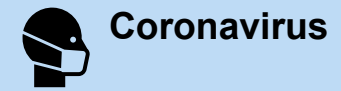
The Silent generation is more likely to shelter at home than younger generations

	All	Gen Z	Gen Y	Gen X	Boomers	Silent
Sheltered at home to avoid contact with others	64%	66%	60%	64%	66%	76%
Stocked up on items such as food, household supplies, or prescription medications	56%	60%	58%	55%	55%	53%
Ordered groceries, medications or household supplies online	48%	47%	53%	52%	44%	32%
Started to work remotely from home	47%	49%	49%	47%	42%	41%
Gone outside my home less often for exercise	40%	50%	39%	39%	38%	50%
Gone outside my home more often for exercise	31%	24%	35%	31%	31%	22%
Homeschooled or supervised virtual instruction for my children or grandchildren	31%	23%	40%	38%	22%	14%
Asked someone to get groceries, medications or household supplies for me	22%	31%	24%	22%	17%	29%
Stopped using house-cleaning or home maintenance and repair services	20%	17%	20%	21%	20%	22%
Stopped volunteering in my community	19%	20%	19%	15%	20%	27%
Took on a loan or additional debt to pay for expenses, such as mortgage or rent, utilities, groceries	12%	17%	18%	14%	5%	4%
Stopped using home-health care services	10%	9%	11%	13%	8%	11%
Started volunteering in my community	8%	10%	9%	8%	6%	7%
Moved to a new location	8%	11%	14%	6%	1%	6%

Q39: Have you or anyone in your household done any of the following due to the Coronavirus?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Those with higher incomes reported working remotely more than lower income adults

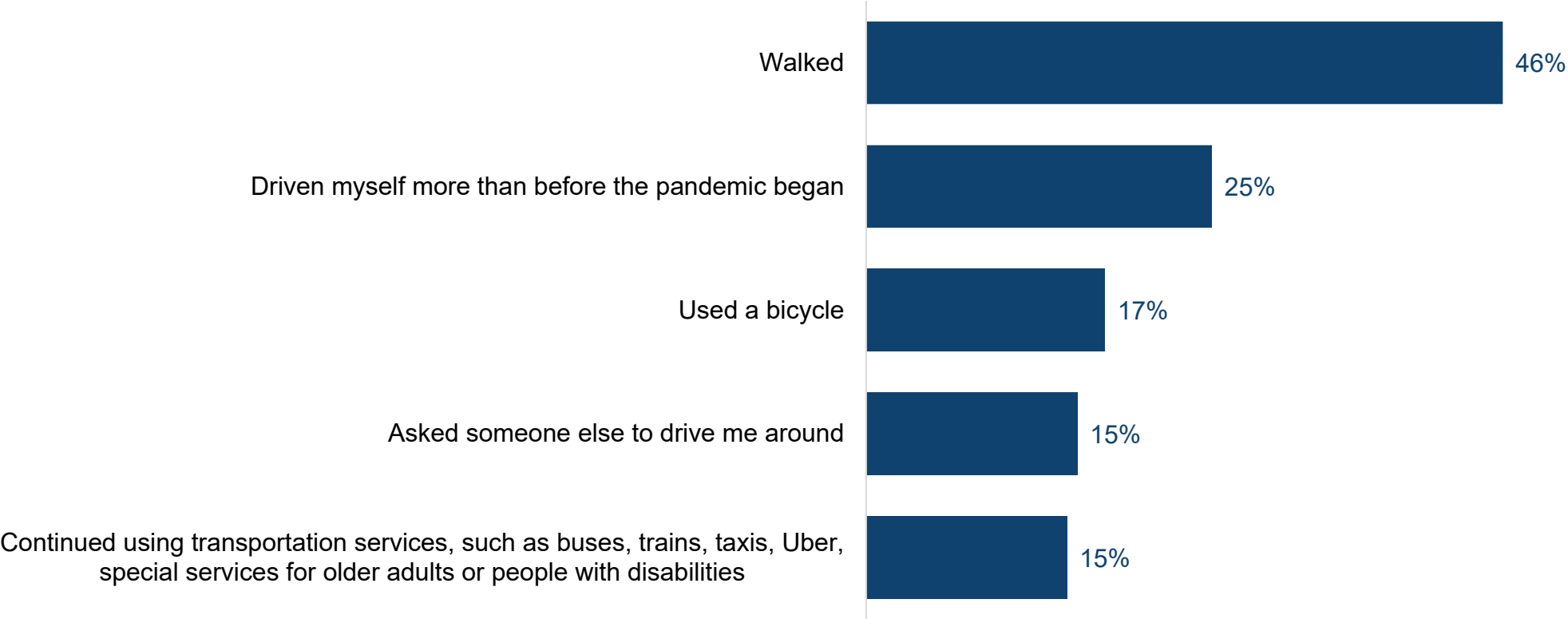


	All	<\$25K	\$25-55K	\$55-100K	\$100-150K	\$150K+
Sheltered at home to avoid contact with others	64%	62%	65%	60%	69%	74%
Stocked up on items such as food, household supplies, or prescription medications	56%	57%	60%	50%	62%	54%
Ordered groceries, medications or household supplies online	48%	41%	47%	50%	61%	54%
Started to work remotely from home	47%	31%	35%	50%	62%	69%
Gone outside my home less often for exercise	40%	48%	44%	32%	39%	35%
Gone outside my home more often for exercise	31%	25%	28%	35%	32%	44%
Homeschooled or supervised virtual instruction for my children or grandchildren	31%	30%	33%	30%	32%	34%
Asked someone to get groceries, medications or household supplies for me	22%	29%	24%	19%	16%	18%
Stopped using house-cleaning or home maintenance and repair services	20%	20%	21%	17%	18%	26%
Stopped volunteering in my community	19%	20%	20%	18%	18%	18%
Took on a loan or additional debt to pay for expenses, such as mortgage or rent, utilities, groceries	12%	20%	15%	8%	9%	4%
Stopped using home-health care services	10%	14%	13%	7%	6%	6%
Started volunteering in my community	8%	7%	8%	7%	6%	10%
Moved to a new location	8%	9%	8%	7%	5%	8%

Q39: Have you or anyone in your household done any of the following due to the Coronavirus?

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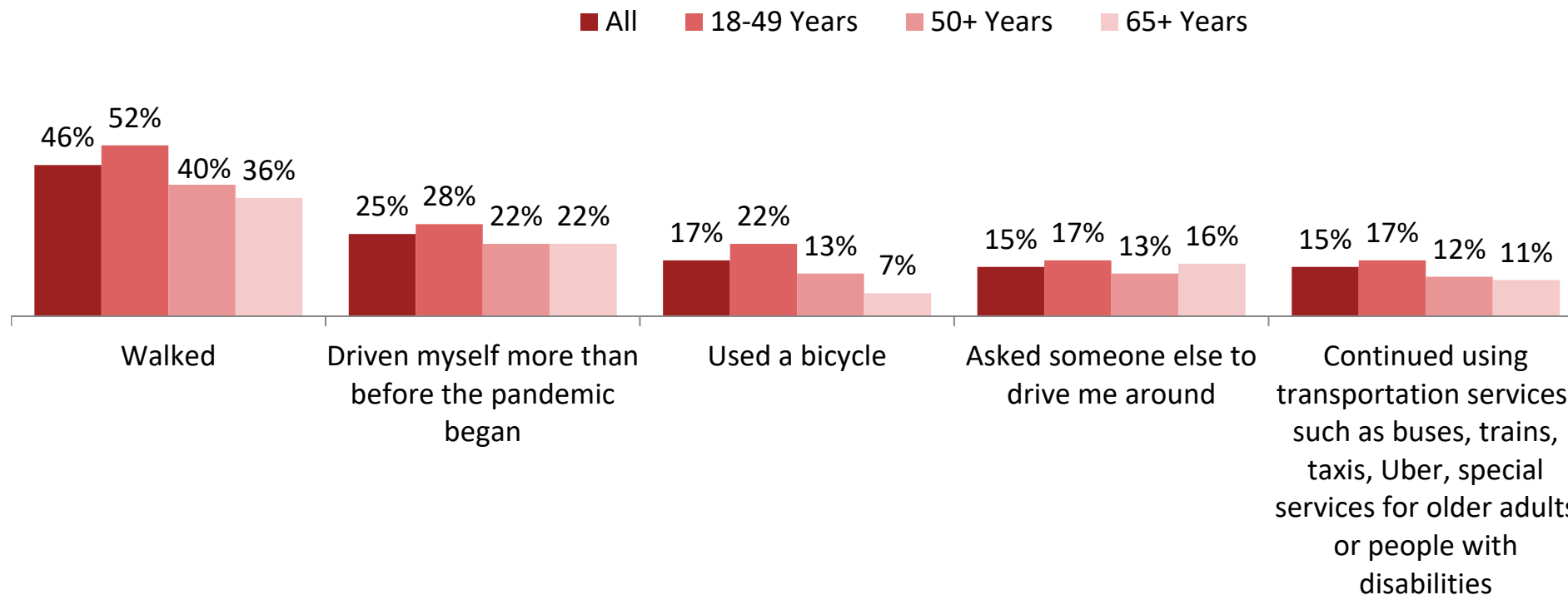
Walking and driving were the most common modes of transportation since the Coronavirus outbreak



Q40: Have you or anyone in your household done any of the following to get where you need to go since the Coronavirus outbreak?

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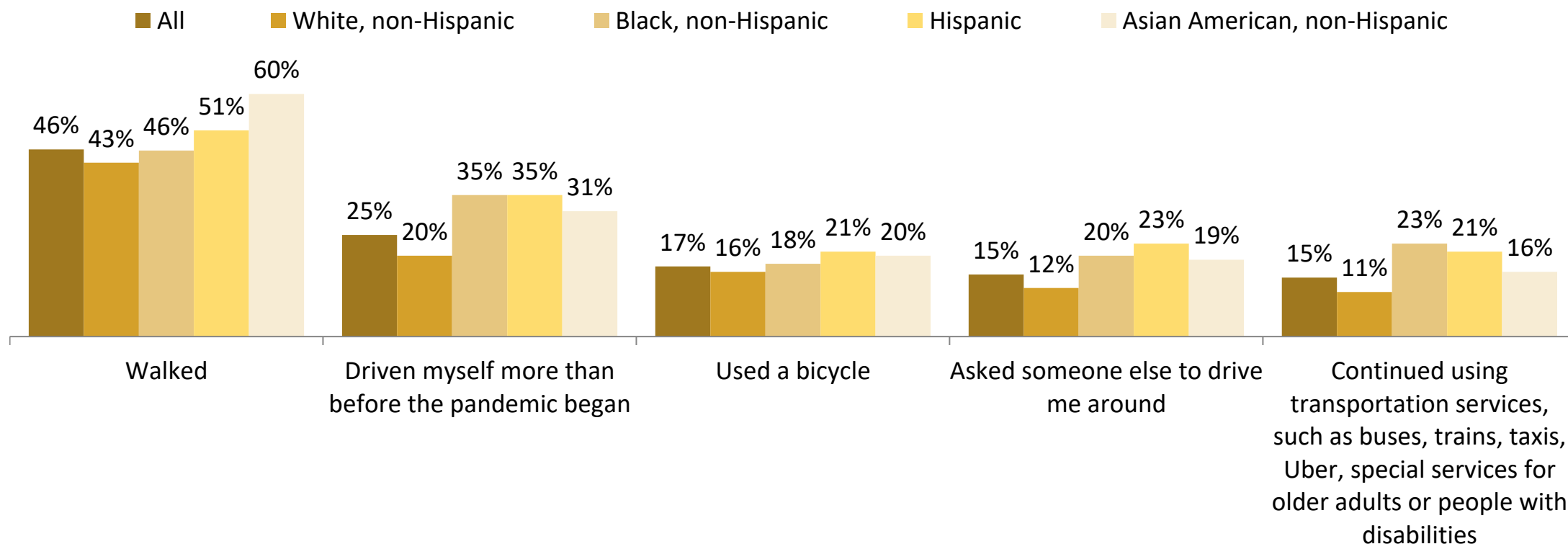
18-49 year old adults are the most likely to report walking



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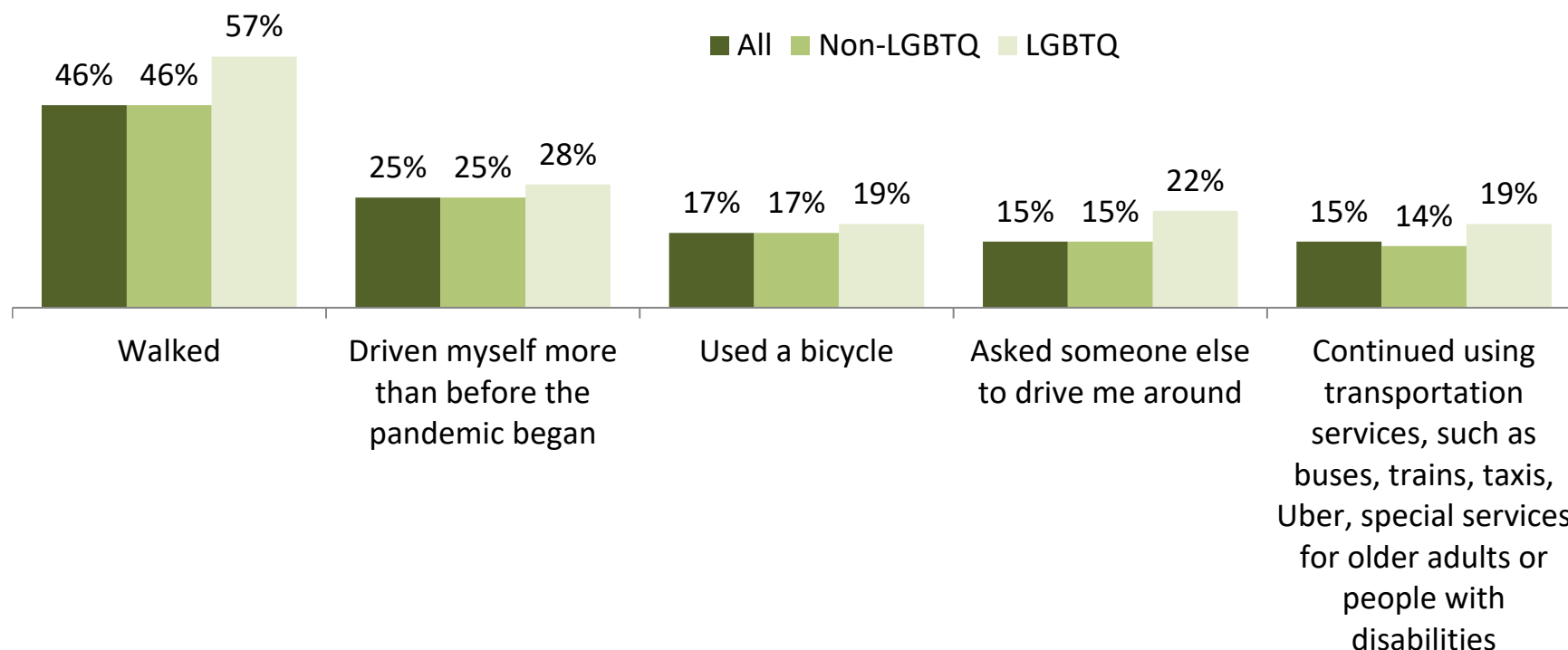
Asian-American adults more likely to walk to get where they needed to go since the Coronavirus outbreak



Q40: Have you or anyone in your household done any of the following to get where you need to go since the Coronavirus outbreak?

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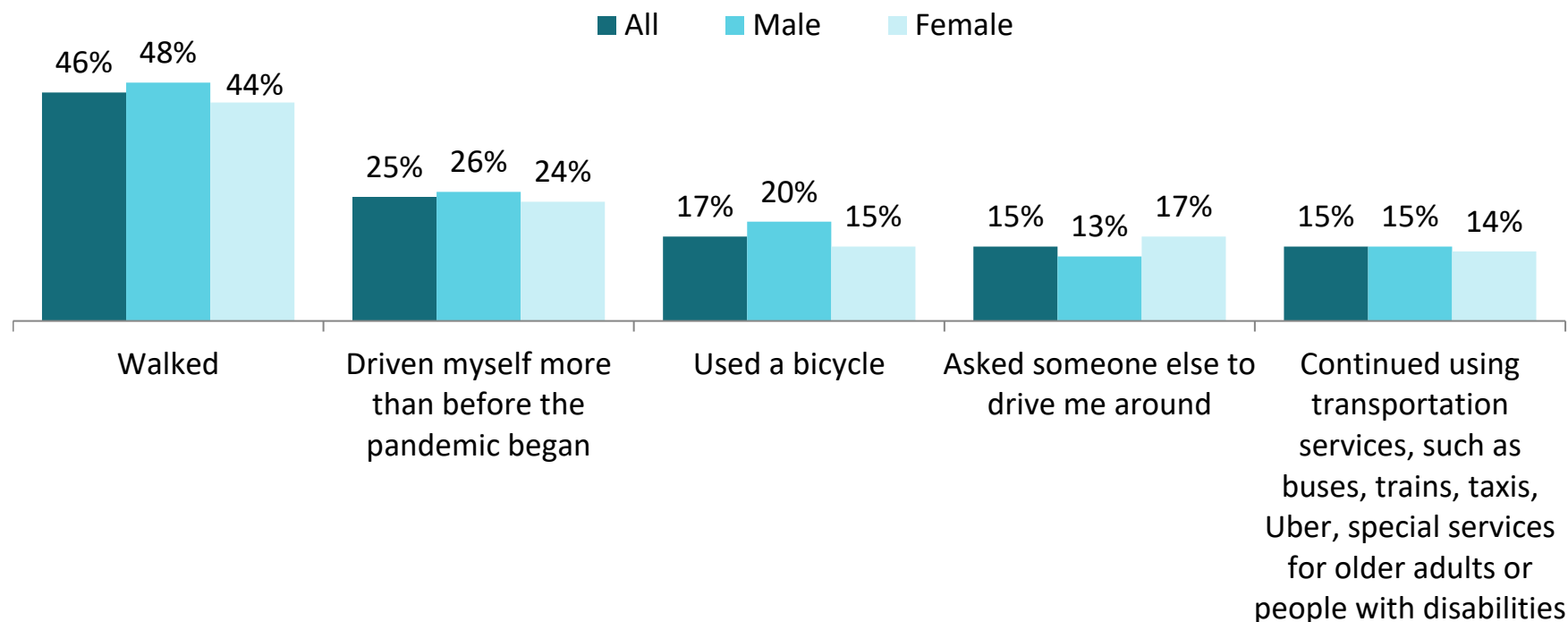
More LGBTQ adults report walking and having someone else drive them than non-LGBTQ adults



Q40: Have you or anyone in your household done any of the following to get where you need to go since the Coronavirus outbreak?

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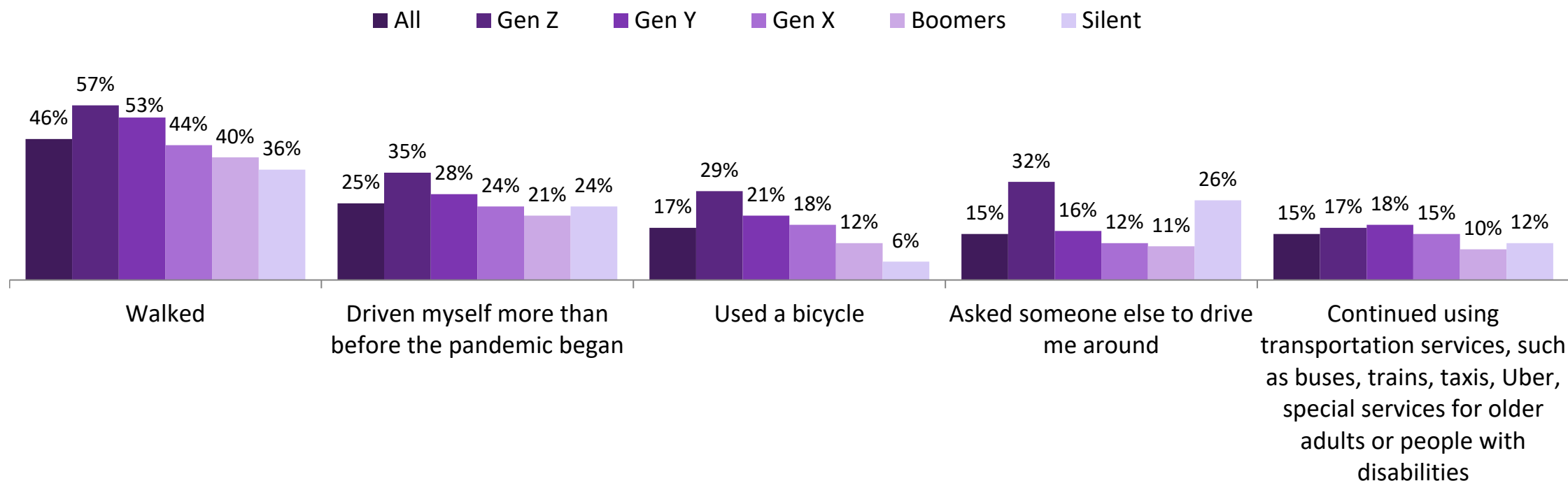
Men and women are similar in their modes of transportation during the pandemic



Q40: Have you or anyone in your household done any of the following to get where you need to go since the Coronavirus outbreak?

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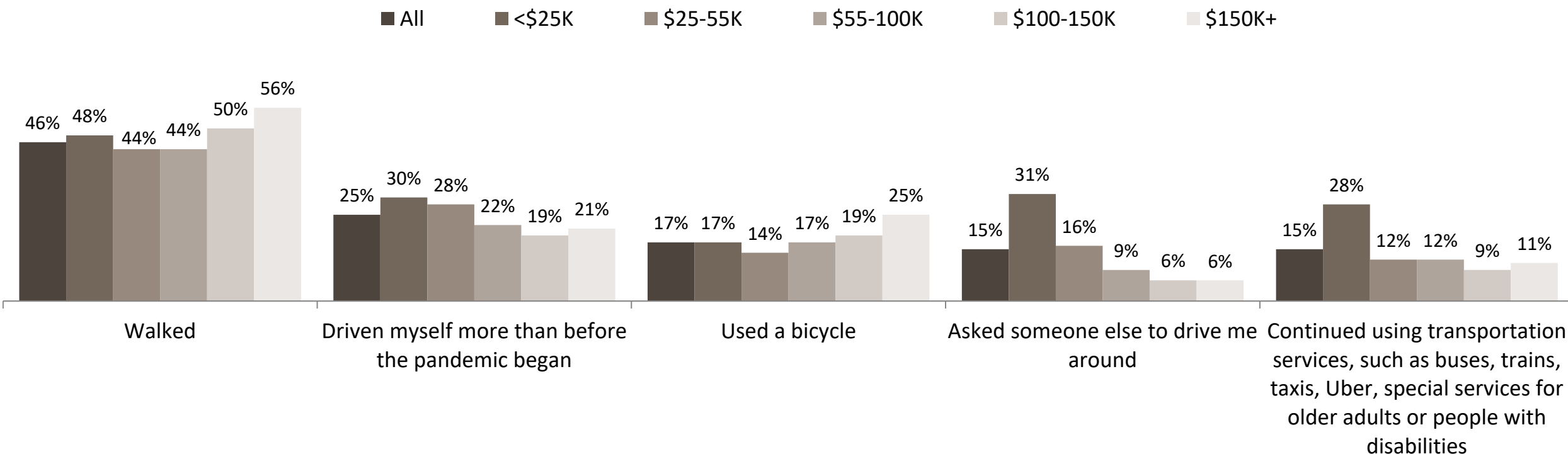
Younger generations are more likely to walk to get where they needed to go



Q40: Have you or anyone in your household done any of the following to get where you need to go since the Coronavirus outbreak?

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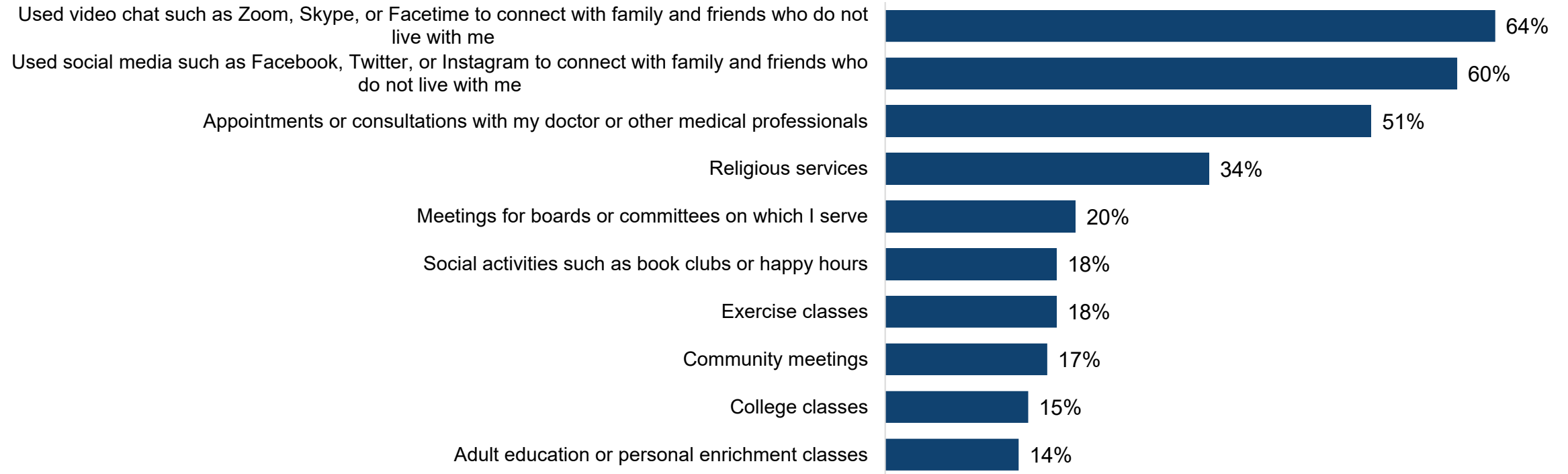
Those making under \$25K were more likely to have someone drive them or use transportation services than those with higher incomes



Q40: Have you or anyone in your household done any of the following to get where you need to go since the Coronavirus outbreak?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Six in ten Americans utilized video chats and social media to connect with friends and family



Q41: Have you or anyone in your household participated in the following online activities due to the Coronavirus?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

All age groups were similar in their online activity during the pandemic

	All	Age 18-49	Age 50+	Age 65+
Used video chat such as Zoom, Skype, or Facetime to connect with family and friends who do not live with me	64%	66%	61%	59%
Used social media such as Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram to connect with family and friends who do not live with me	60%	62%	58%	57%
Appointments or consultations with my doctor or other medical professionals	51%	48%	54%	53%
Religious services	34%	29%	39%	41%
Meetings for boards or committees on which I serve	20%	18%	22%	24%
Social activities such as book clubs or happy hours	18%	22%	14%	15%
Exercise classes	18%	20%	15%	17%
Community meetings	17%	15%	18%	19%
College classes	15%	20%	8%	5%
Adult education or personal enrichment classes	14%	15%	12%	12%

Q41: Have you or anyone in your household participated in the following online activities due to the Coronavirus?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Black adults most often reported attending online religious services

	All	White, NH	Black, NH	Hispanic	Asian-American, NH
Used video chat such as Zoom, Skype, or Facetime to connect with family and friends who do not live with me	64%	63%	61%	67%	75%
Used social media such as Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram to connect with family and friends who do not live with me	60%	60%	60%	61%	64%
Appointments or consultations with my doctor or other medical professionals	51%	50%	52%	53%	51%
Religious services	34%	33%	43%	32%	31%
Meetings for boards or committees on which I serve	20%	22%	19%	15%	21%
Social activities such as book clubs or happy hours	18%	17%	22%	17%	24%
Exercise classes	18%	17%	18%	21%	19%
Community meetings	17%	15%	20%	17%	22%
College classes	15%	12%	18%	18%	23%
Adult education or personal enrichment classes	14%	13%	18%	13%	17%

Q41: Have you or anyone in your household participated in the following online activities due to the Coronavirus?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Non-LGBTQ adults more likely to participate in online religious services while LGBTQ adults are more apt to have used social media to connect with people

	All	Non-LGBTQ	LGBTQ
Used video chat such as Zoom, Skype, or Facetime to connect with family and friends who do not live with me	64%	64%	73%
Used social media such as Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram to connect with family and friends who do not live with me	60%	60%	73%
Appointments or consultations with my doctor or other medical professionals	51%	51%	59%
Religious services	34%	34%	22%
Meetings for boards or committees on which I serve	20%	20%	19%
Social activities such as book clubs or happy hours	18%	18%	24%
Exercise classes	18%	18%	17%
Community meetings	17%	17%	17%
College classes	15%	15%	23%
Adult education or personal enrichment classes	14%	14%	18%

Q41: Have you or anyone in your household participated in the following online activities due to the Coronavirus?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Women tended to participate in online activities more than men due to the Coronavirus

	All	Male	Female
Used video chat such as Zoom, Skype, or Facetime to connect with family and friends who do not live with me	64%	58%	69%
Used social media such as Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram to connect with family and friends who do not live with me	60%	51%	69%
Appointments or consultations with my doctor or other medical professionals	51%	44%	57%
Religious services	34%	29%	38%
Meetings for boards or committees on which I serve	20%	17%	23%
Social activities such as book clubs or happy hours	18%	14%	22%
Exercise classes	18%	14%	21%
Community meetings	17%	15%	18%
College classes	15%	14%	16%
Adult education or personal enrichment classes	14%	11%	17%

Q41: Have you or anyone in your household participated in the following online activities due to the Coronavirus?
Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Older generations took advantage of online medical appointments

	All	Gen Z	Gen Y	Gen X	Boomers	Silent
Used video chat such as Zoom, Skype, or Facetime to connect with family and friends who do not live with me	64%	61%	68%	64%	63%	48%
Used social media such as Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram to connect with family and friends who do not live with me	60%	68%	63%	59%	59%	51%
Appointments or consultations with my doctor or other medical professionals	51%	33%	51%	51%	55%	53%
Religious services	34%	30%	29%	33%	41%	32%
Meetings for boards or committees on which I serve	20%	17%	17%	21%	23%	24%
Social activities such as book clubs or happy hours	18%	21%	24%	15%	15%	12%
Exercise classes	18%	21%	20%	19%	14%	16%
Community meetings	17%	17%	15%	15%	18%	22%
College classes	15%	48%	16%	15%	7%	2%
Adult education or personal enrichment classes	14%	18%	15%	13%	12%	12%

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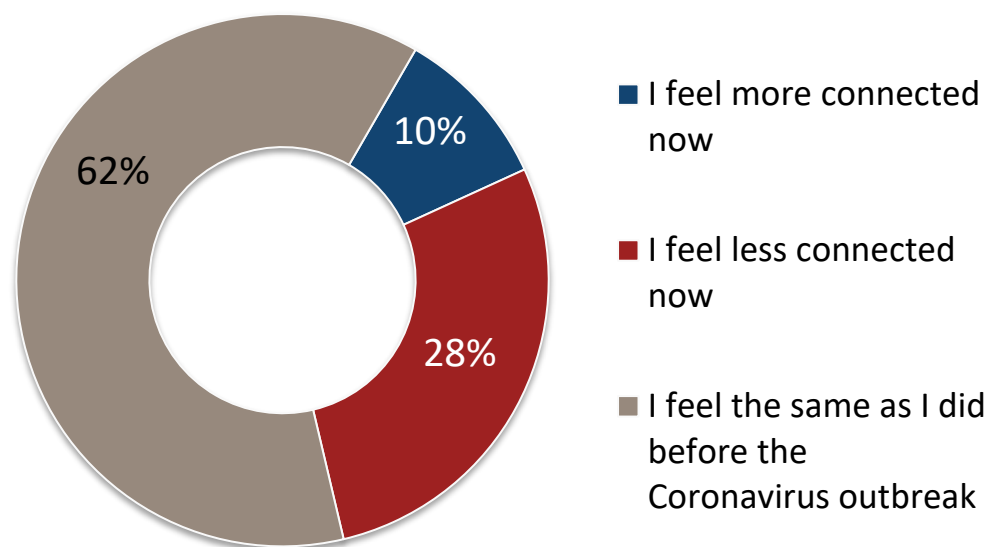
Those with incomes over \$55K used video chats more to connect with friends and family compared with those with incomes under \$55K

	All	<\$25K	\$25-55K	\$55-100K	\$100-150K	\$150K+
Used video chat such as Zoom, Skype, or Facetime to connect with family and friends who do not live with me	64%	53%	57%	69%	80%	79%
Used social media such as Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram to connect with family and friends who do not live with me	60%	55%	61%	62%	65%	61%
Appointments or consultations with my doctor or other medical professionals	51%	49%	47%	52%	61%	52%
Religious services	34%	31%	35%	35%	38%	29%
Meetings for boards or committees on which I serve	20%	10%	17%	22%	32%	33%
Social activities such as book clubs or happy hours	18%	14%	15%	18%	25%	31%
Exercise classes	18%	15%	14%	19%	20%	29%
Community meetings	17%	13%	16%	17%	20%	21%
College classes	15%	16%	14%	12%	14%	23%
Adult education or personal enrichment classes	14%	12%	13%	16%	11%	17%

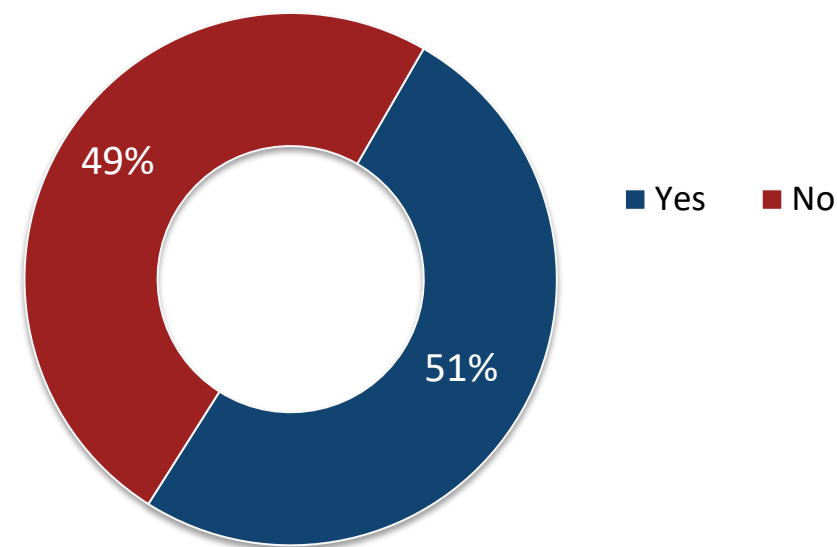
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The Coronavirus did not change the connection to community for about two-thirds of adults, and adults are split in their opinions on community action to foster social connections

Connection to community



Community taken steps to make it easier to gather



Q42: Since the Coronavirus outbreak, do you feel more connected to your community, less connected to your community, or do you feel the same?

Q43: Since the Coronavirus outbreak, has your community taken steps to make it easier for people to gather in public places, such as parks or recreation centers, and still be able to appropriately physically distance from one another?

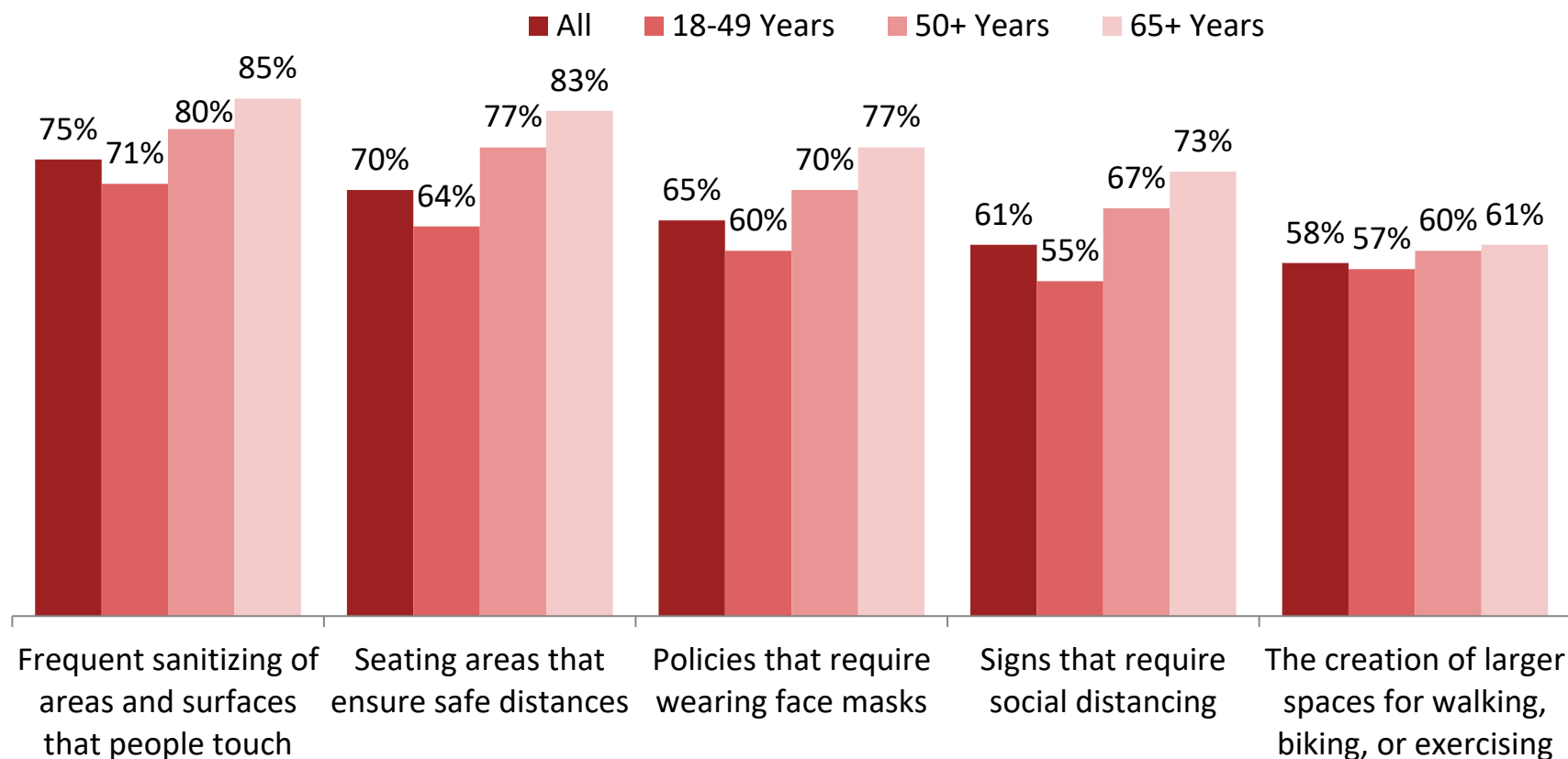
Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Frequent sanitizing and spaced apart seating areas were measures that would make adults more comfortable in public places



Q44: Would the following measures make you more comfortable in public places during the COVID-19 pandemic?
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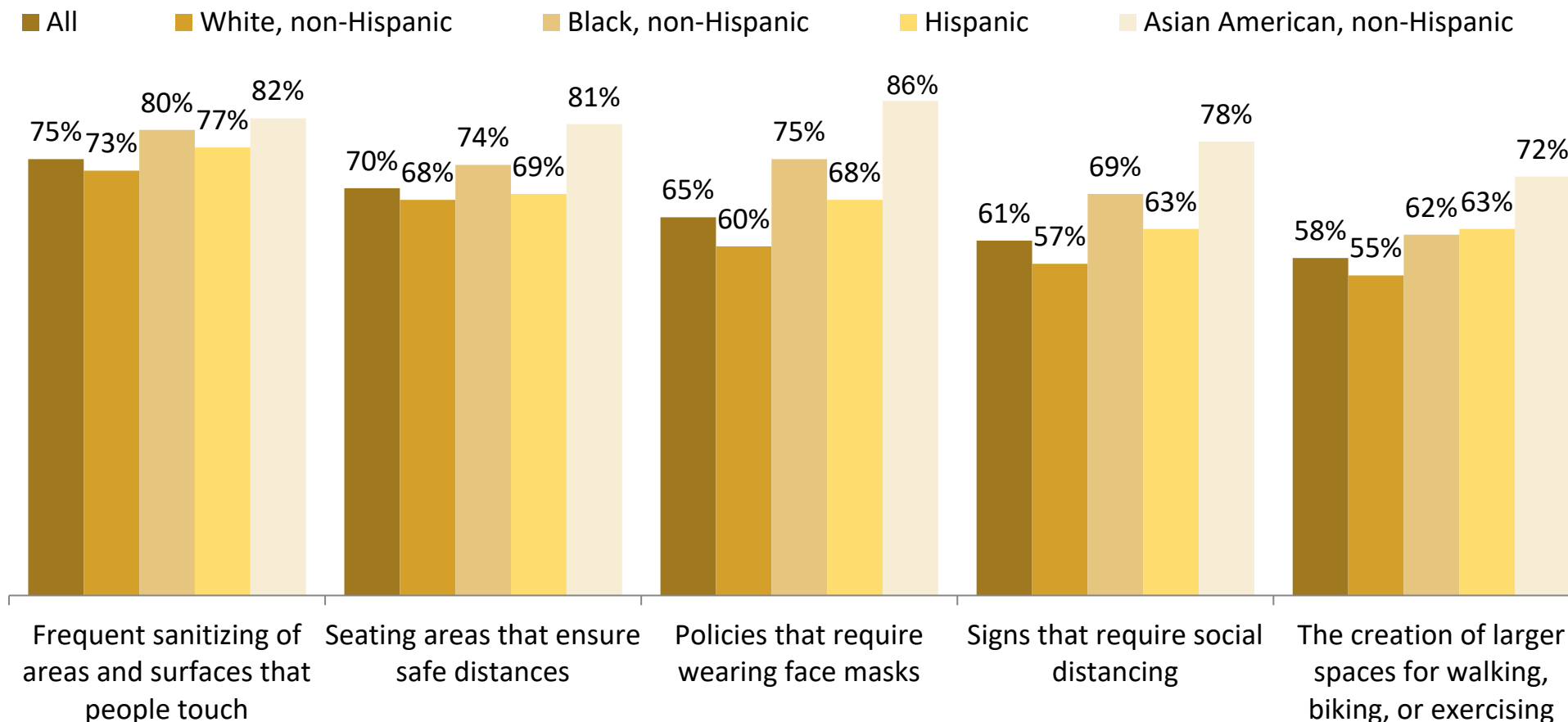
Older adults take more comfort from measures to prevent the spread in public than those 18-49



Q44: Would the following measures make you more comfortable in public places during the COVID-19 pandemic?

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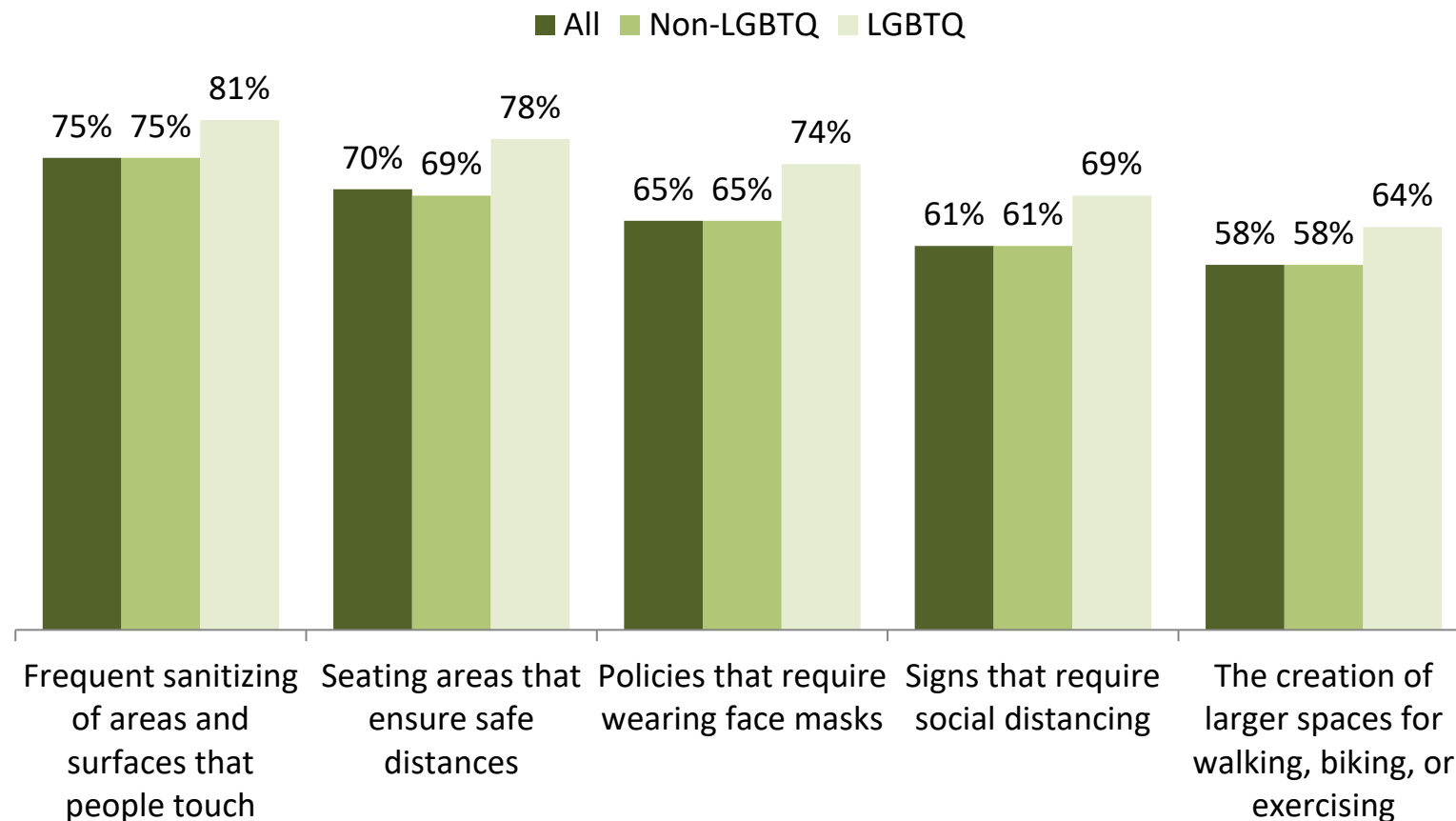
Asian-Americans tend to be most comfortable with mask mandates and signs requiring social distancing



Q44: Would the following measures make you more comfortable in public places during the COVID-19 pandemic?

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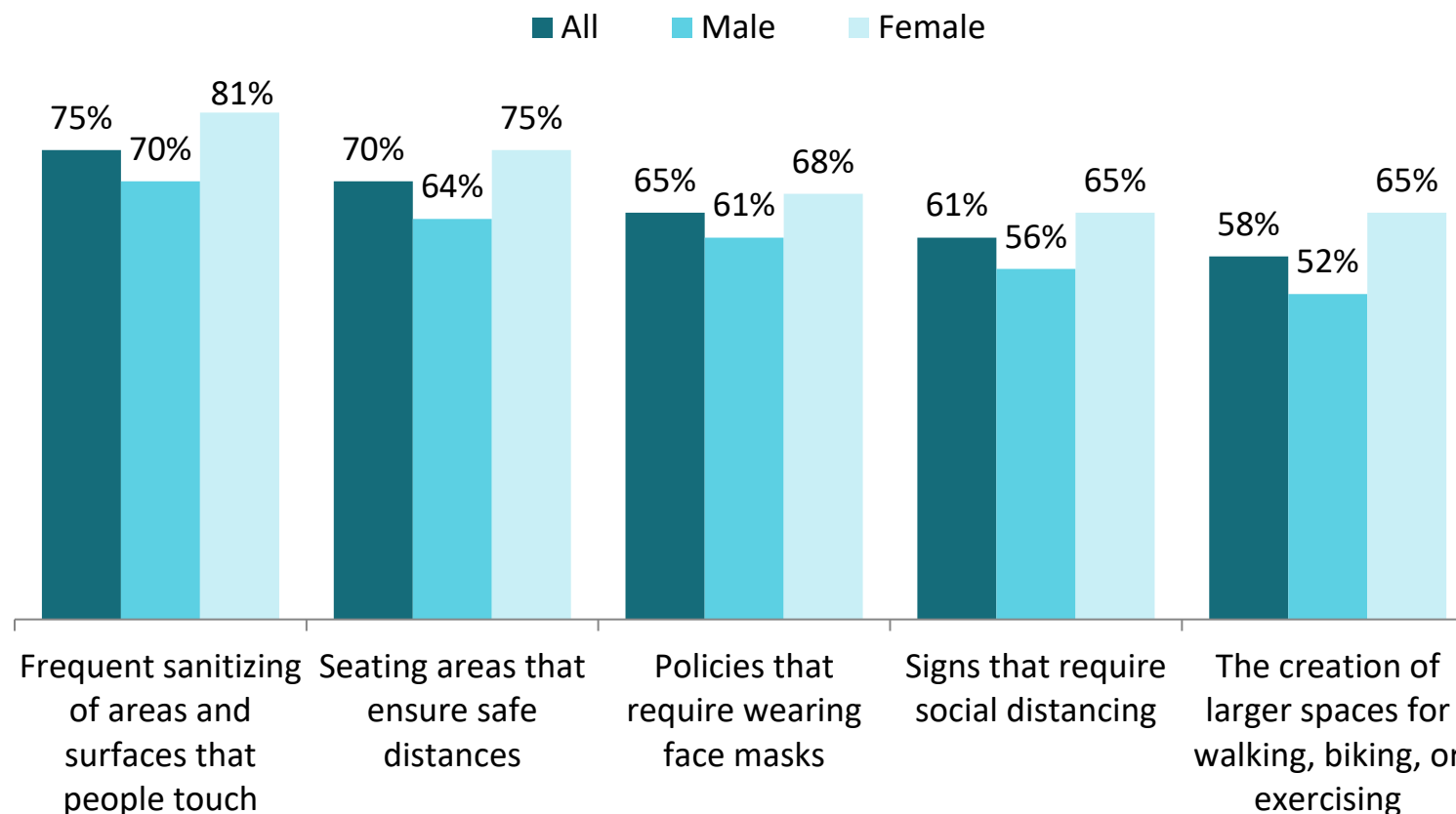
LGBTQ adults report being more comfortable with measures designed to prevent the spread of Covid-19 in public places



Q44: Would the following measures make you more comfortable in public places during the COVID-19 pandemic?

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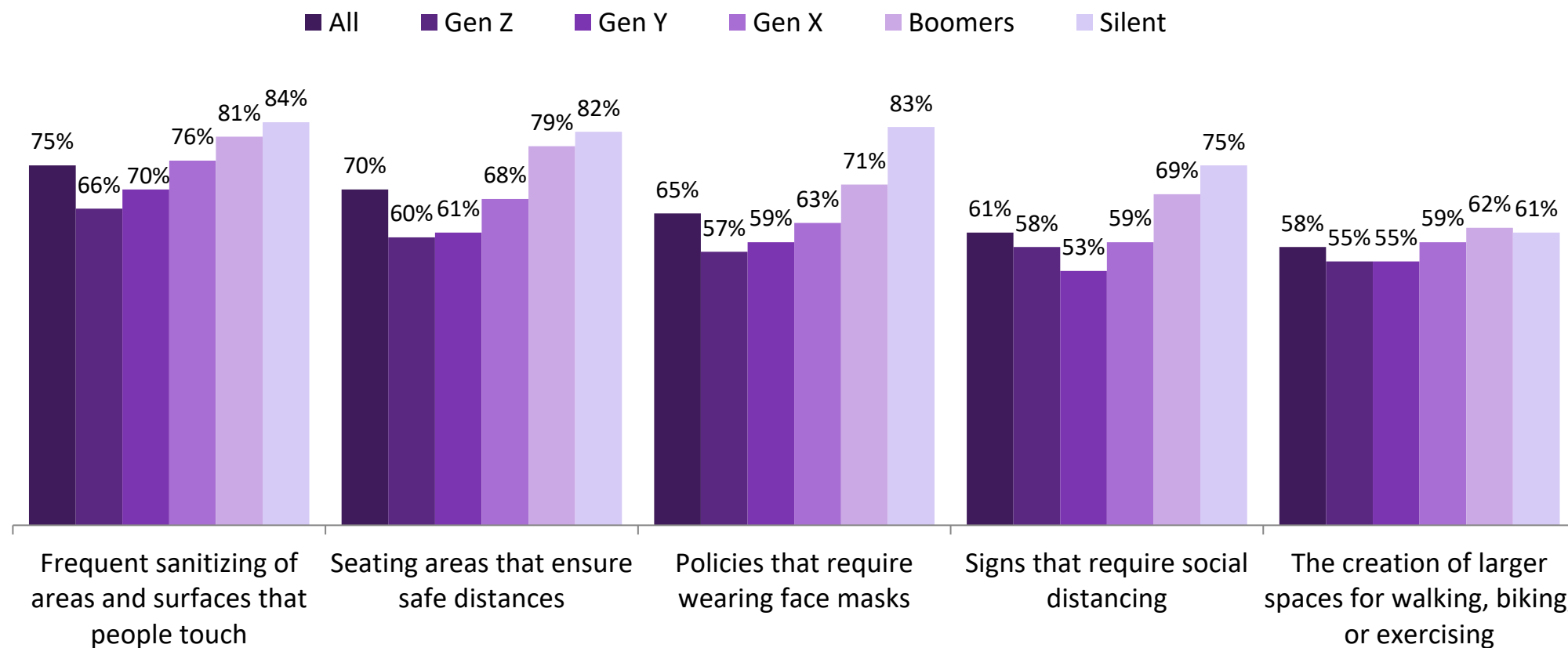
Females report feeling more comfortable with measures put in place during the Covid-19 pandemic



Q44: Would the following measures make you more comfortable in public places during the COVID-19 pandemic?

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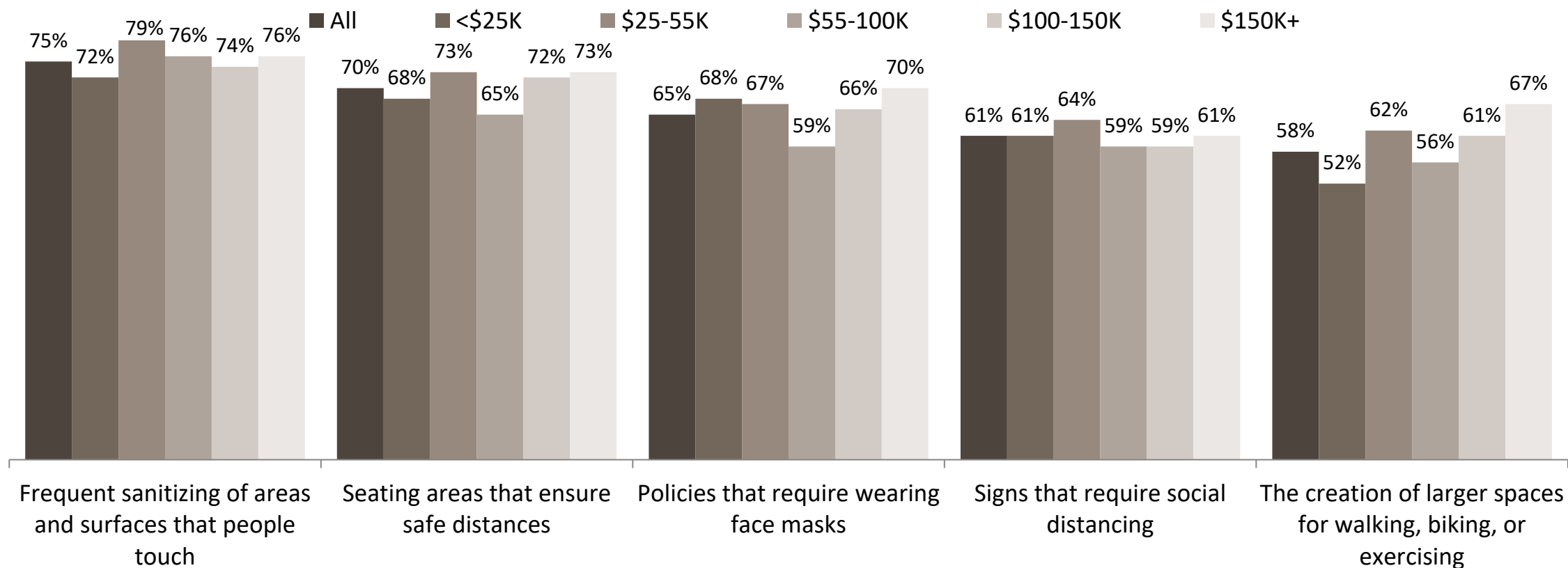
Measures like sanitizing, seating at safe distances and mask policies made older generations more comfortable in public places



Q44: Would the following measures make you more comfortable in public places during the COVID-19 pandemic?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Comfort level with all measures to mitigate the effects of COVID-19 is similar across income levels.

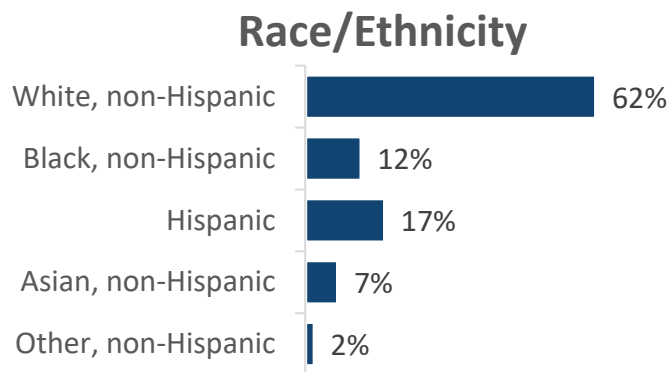
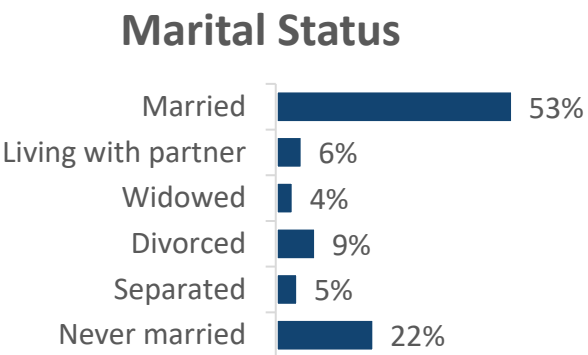
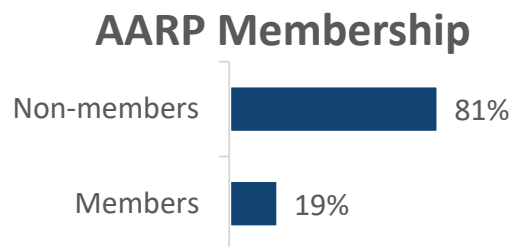
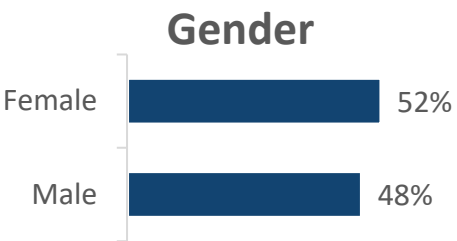
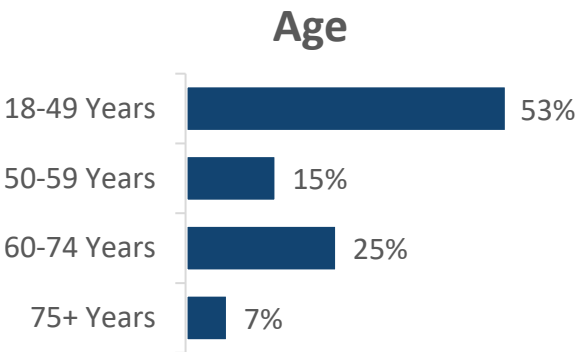


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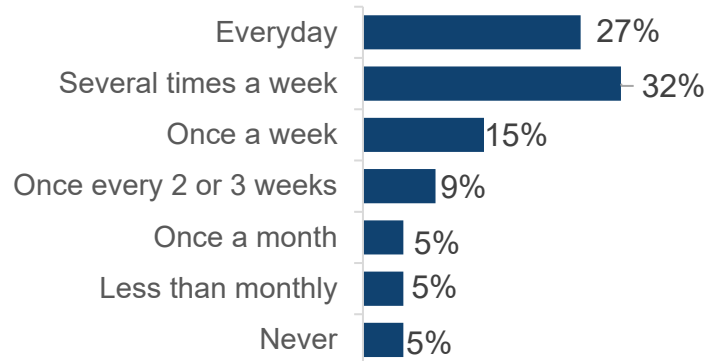
Respondent Profile: Personal Characteristics



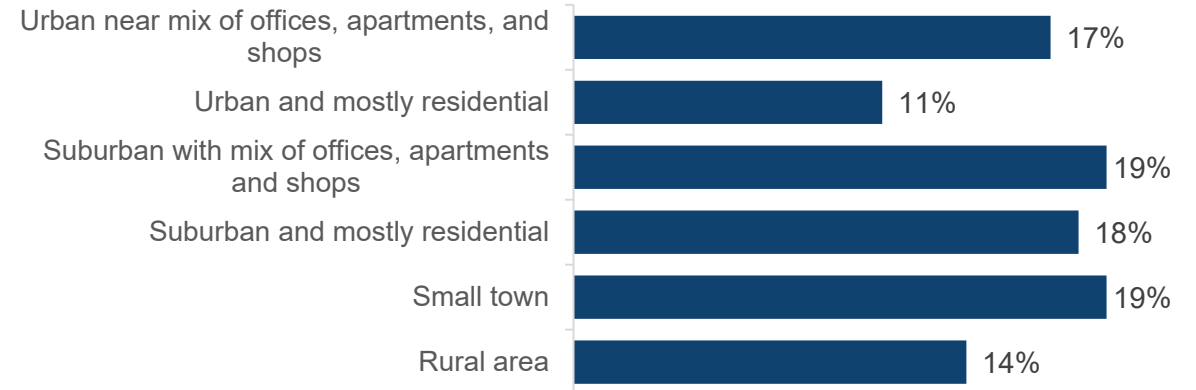
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Respondent Profile: Lifestyle Characteristics

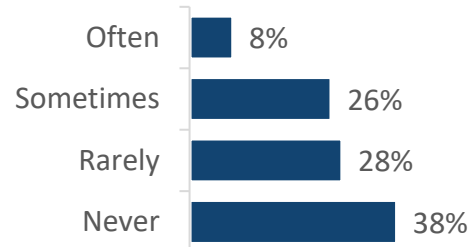
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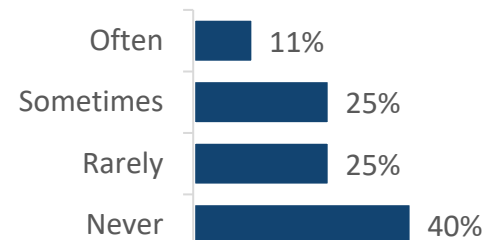
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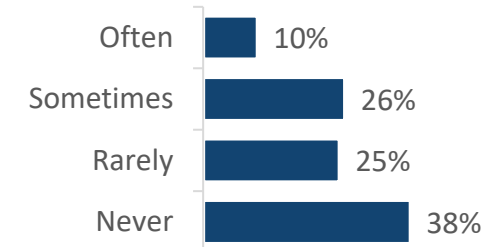
Feel Left Out



Lack Companionship

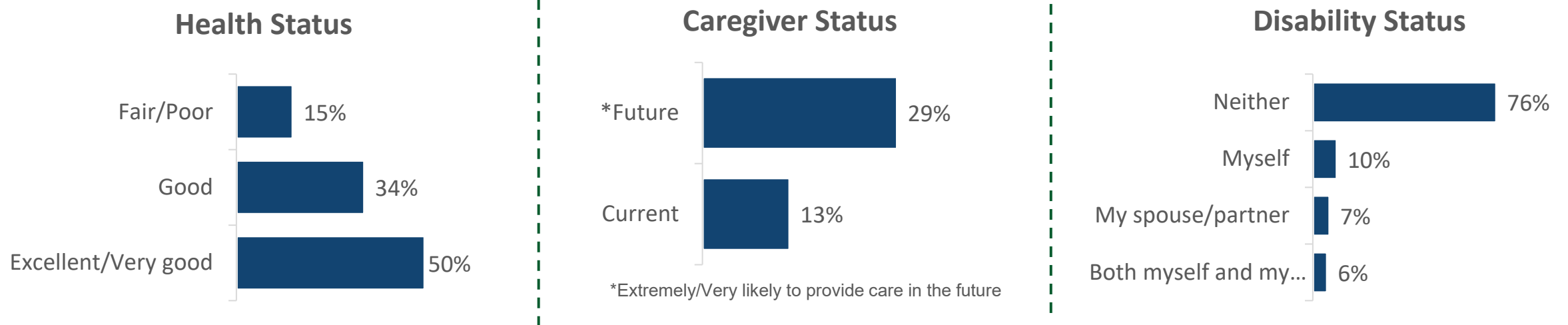


Feel Isolated



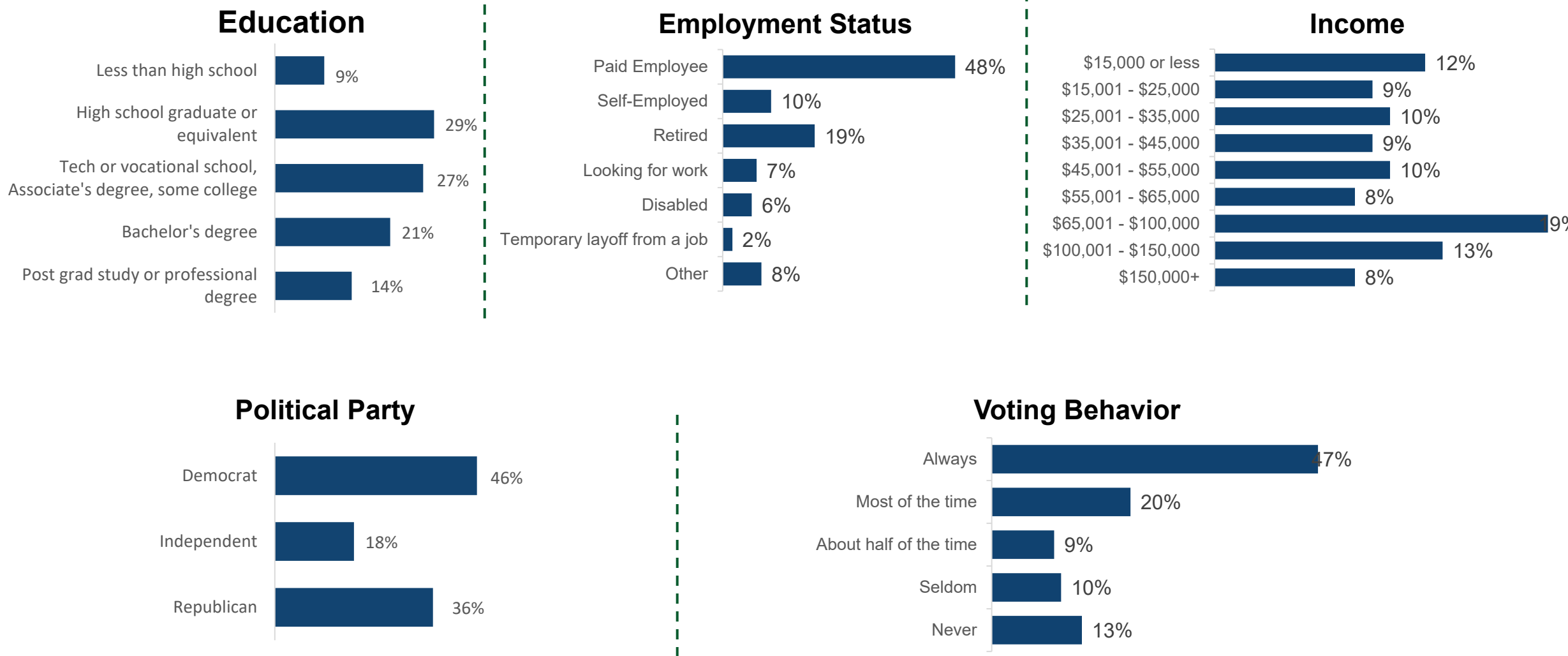
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Respondent Profile: Physical Health Characteristics



Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Respondent Profile: Socioeconomic & Voting Characteristics



Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

IMPLICATIONS

Implications

The COVID-19 pandemic has reshaped the way people are experiencing life in their homes and communities making home life more important than ever. People are doing more from home like working and going to school remotely, and doing more online, like shopping, consulting with their doctors, and engaging in social activities. People want to stay in their homes and communities throughout their life and this has been a strong desire even before the pandemic. **People spend years making connections and commitments to homes, friendships, community organizations, and local social ties within their community and this where they want to stay.**

Although most adults want to grow old in their homes and communities, many are unsure if they can. **People need homes and communities that are affordable, safe and can support their needs.** Having options like home sharing arrangements and accessory dwelling units (ADUs) are things that people would consider and can foster aging in place. Other important community supports that residents seek are high-quality health care providers, conveniently located grocery stores, and infrastructure that reinforces community connectedness.

People want to live in communities that support independence, healthy living, and social engagement.

This calls for communities to meet residents where they are in life. Communities should help residents by providing things like affordable housing options that can support all ages; good health care services; and healthy food options. In addition, communities should have safe, accessible recreation places and spaces that will promote healthy living and encourage social engagement.

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METHODOLOGY

Survey Methodology

A survey was commissioned by AARP to assess public opinion among adults age 18 and older on their preferences with regards to their homes and communities.

Data for this study was collected from June 9th to July 6th, 2021 by NORC using its online AmeriSpeak Panel that is representative of the U.S. population. NORC conducted a total of 2,826 interviews of a 25 minute (median) survey that consisted of a nationally representative sample of adults age 18 and older. The survey was conducted in English and Spanish.

NORC conducted 2,687 interviews online and 139 by telephone for those respondents who preferred telephone over online. The data were weighted to reflect the U.S. population of adults age 18 and older. The data were weighted by age, gender, Census region, race/ethnicity, income and education. The variables used for weighting were obtained from the 2021 Current Population Survey. Additionally, the data were weighted by AARP membership using statistics from the AARP membership database. The margin of error for this national survey sample is +/-2.58%.



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Definitions

Generation	Ages
Gen Z	18-24
Gen Y	25-40
Gen X	41-56
Baby Boomers	57-75
Silent	76-93

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About AARP

AARP is the nation's largest nonprofit, nonpartisan organization dedicated to empowering Americans 50 and older to choose how they live as they age. With nearly 38 million members and offices in every state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands, AARP works to strengthen communities and advocate for what matters most to families, with a focus on health security, financial stability, and personal fulfillment. AARP also works for individuals in the marketplace by sparking new solutions and allowing carefully chosen, high-quality products and services to carry the AARP name. As a trusted source for news and information, AARP produces the nation's largest circulation publications, AARP The Magazine and AARP Bulletin. To learn more, visit www.aarp.org or follow @AARP and @AARPadvocates on social media.

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