

Nexus Insight Panel

Covid-19 attitude tracker, week 7 22nd May 2020

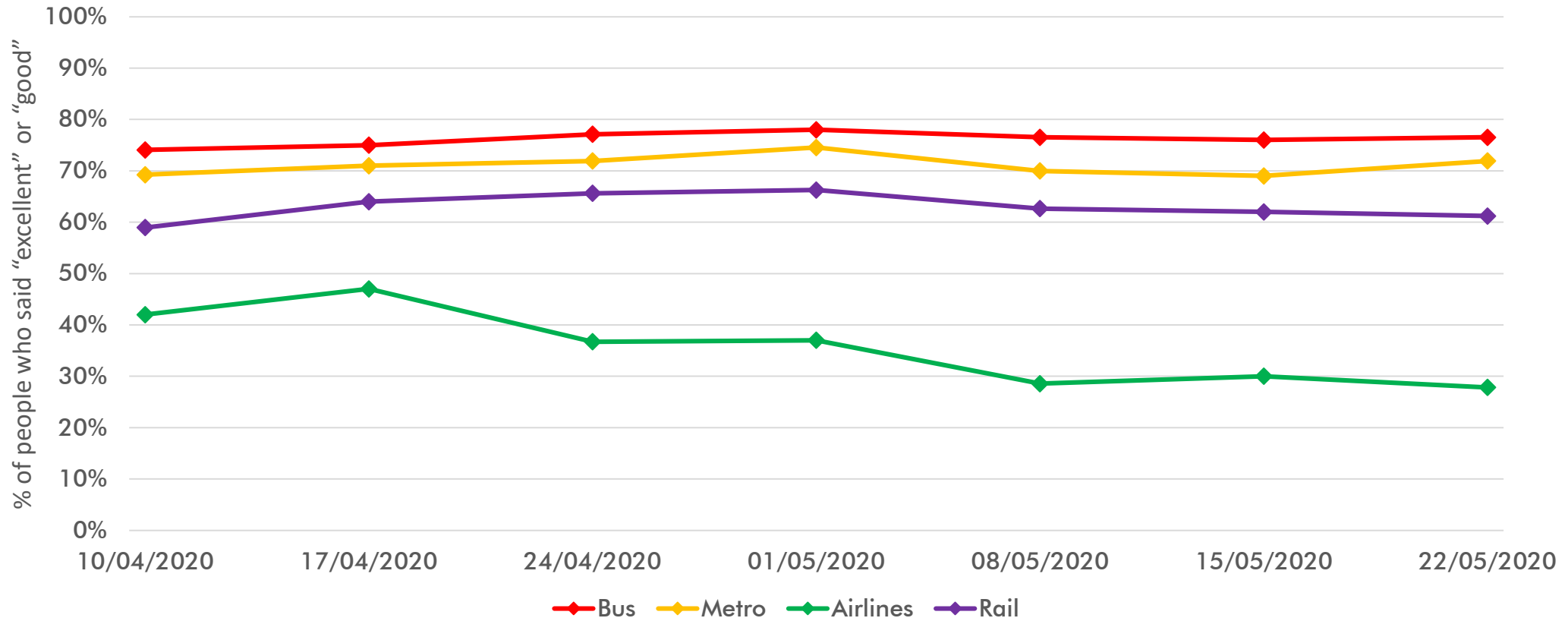
Respondents = 407

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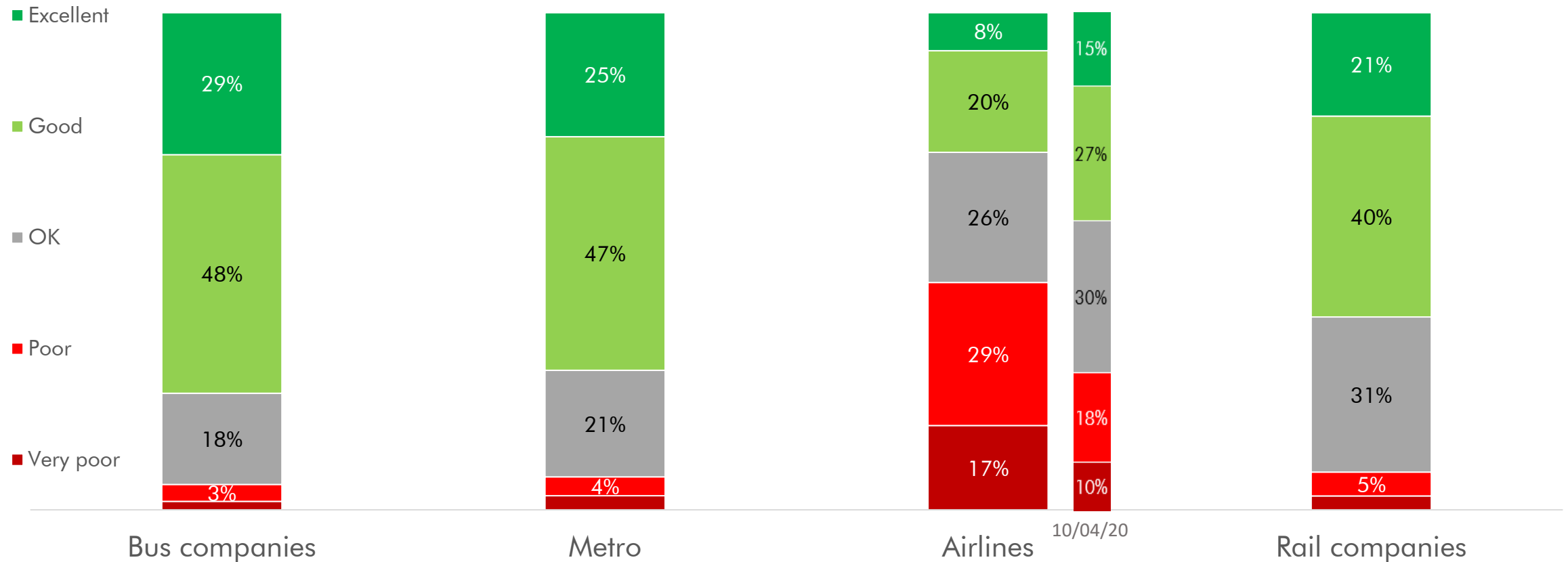


The % of people who said “excellent” or “good” with regards to the response to the pandemic has increased this week for Metro, in the week Metro announced a return to full timetable.



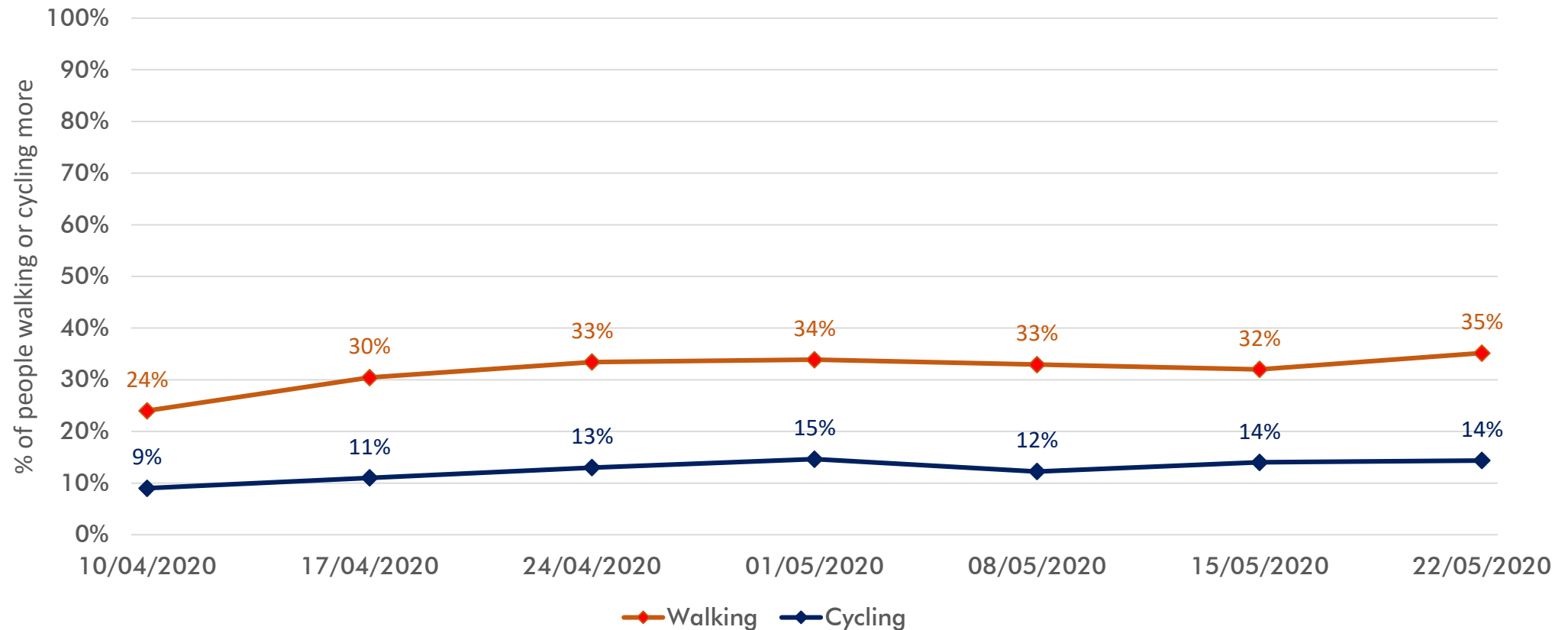
How do you think Bus/Metro/Airlines/Rail have responded to the pandemic? Base: All respondents (excludes don't knows): Bus n=294, Metro n=317, Airline n=291, Rail n=250

46% of respondents feel that the Airlines' response has been poor or very poor, this has increased from 28% when asked in week 1 of the tracker.



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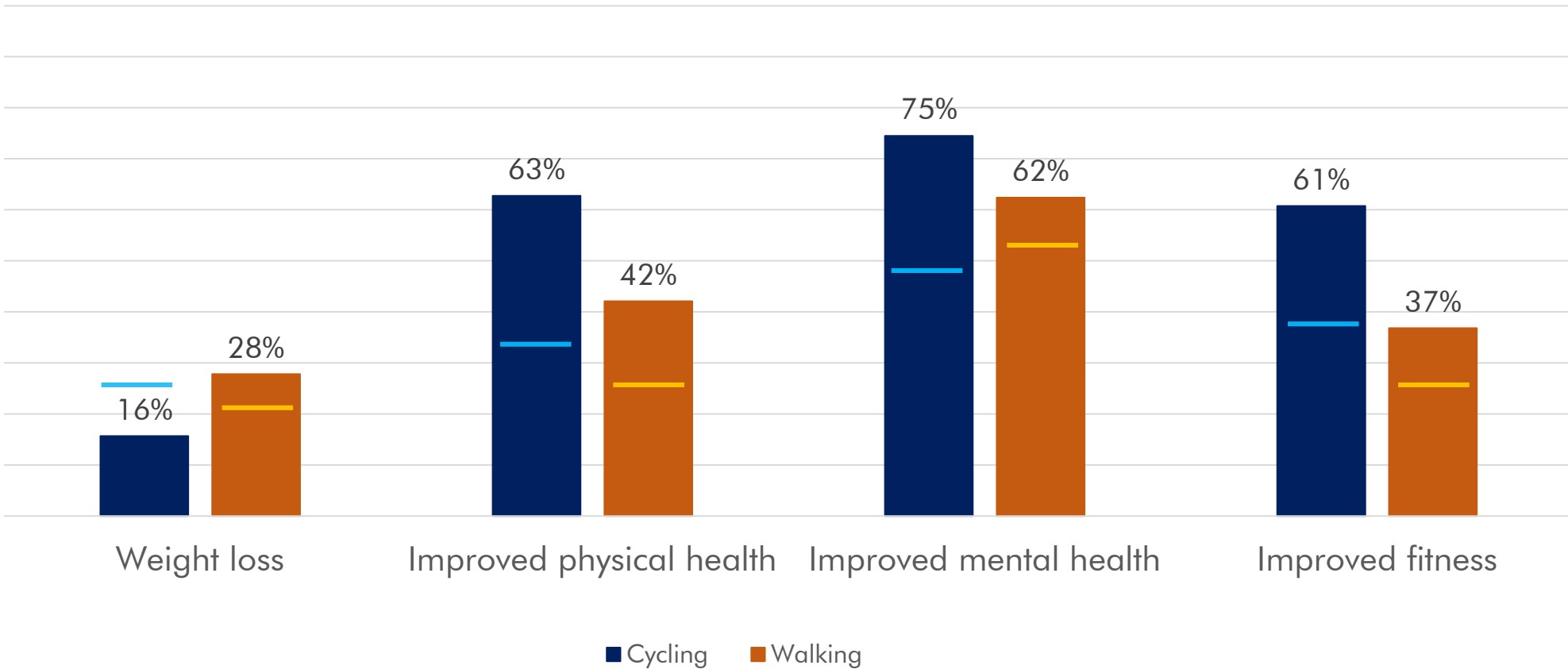
The number of people walking more has reached it's highest level, while cycling has remained the same as last week.



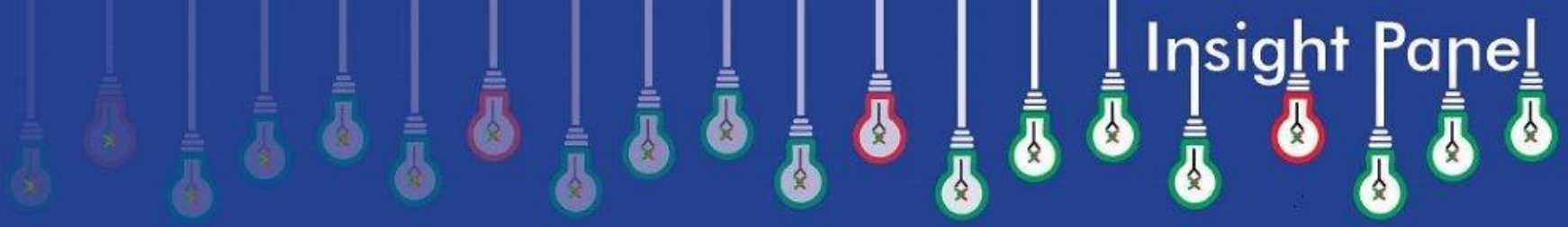
Those who are walking and cycling more are continuing to see fitness, mental and physical health benefits.

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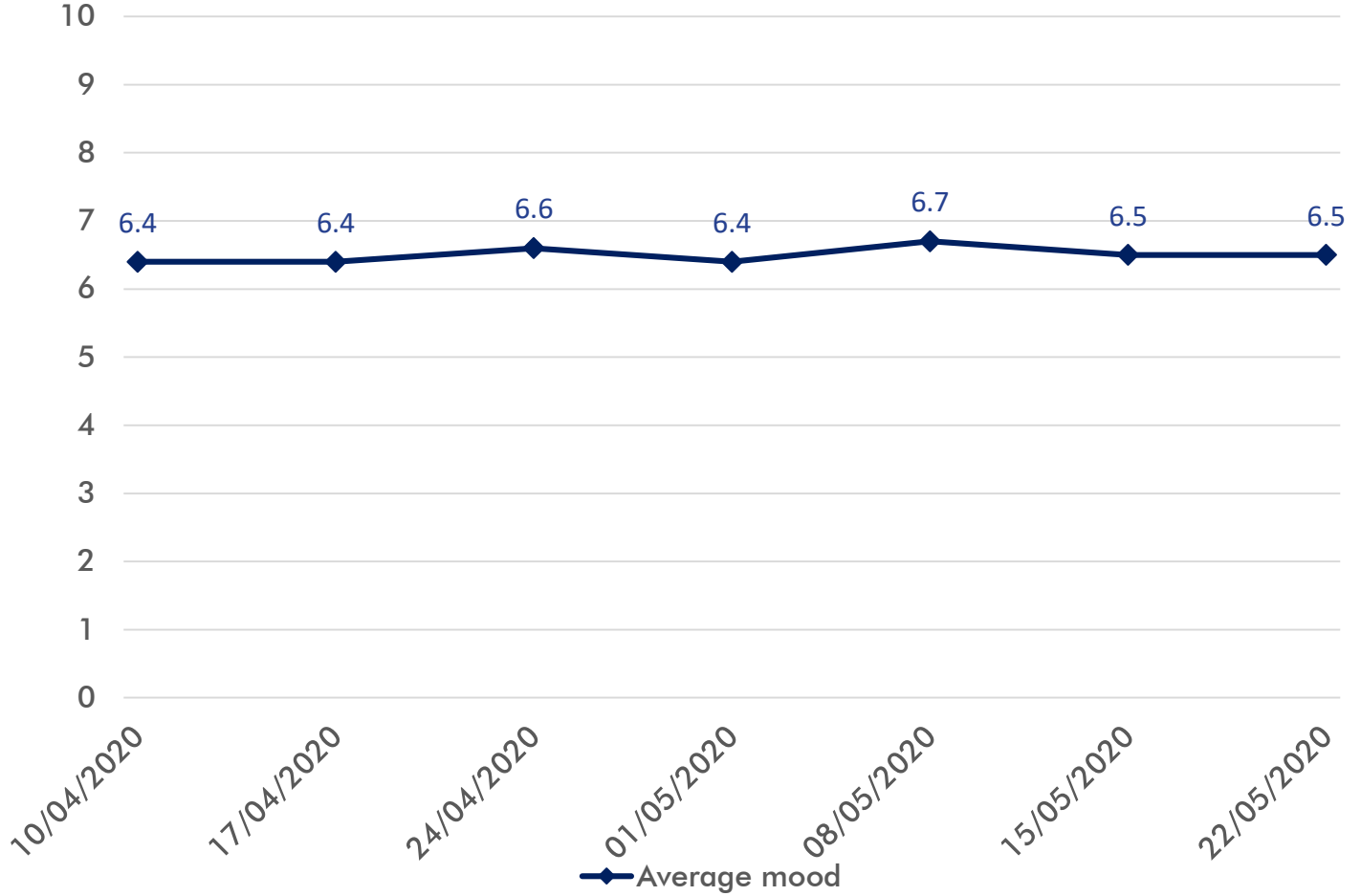
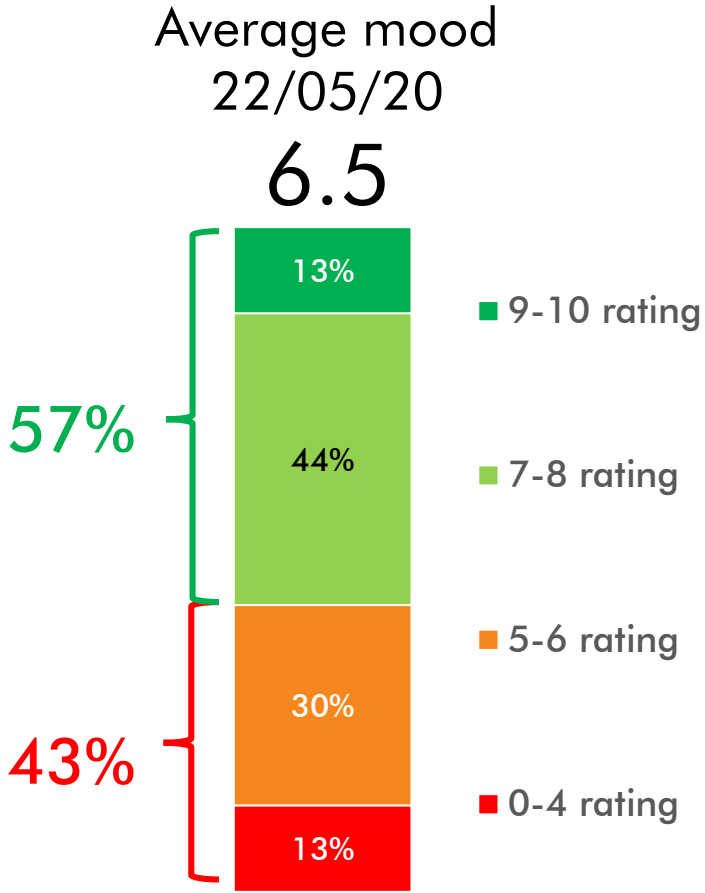
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Have you experienced any health benefits from walking or cycling more? Base: Respondents who said they are walking/cycling more (Walking n=133, Cycling n=51)



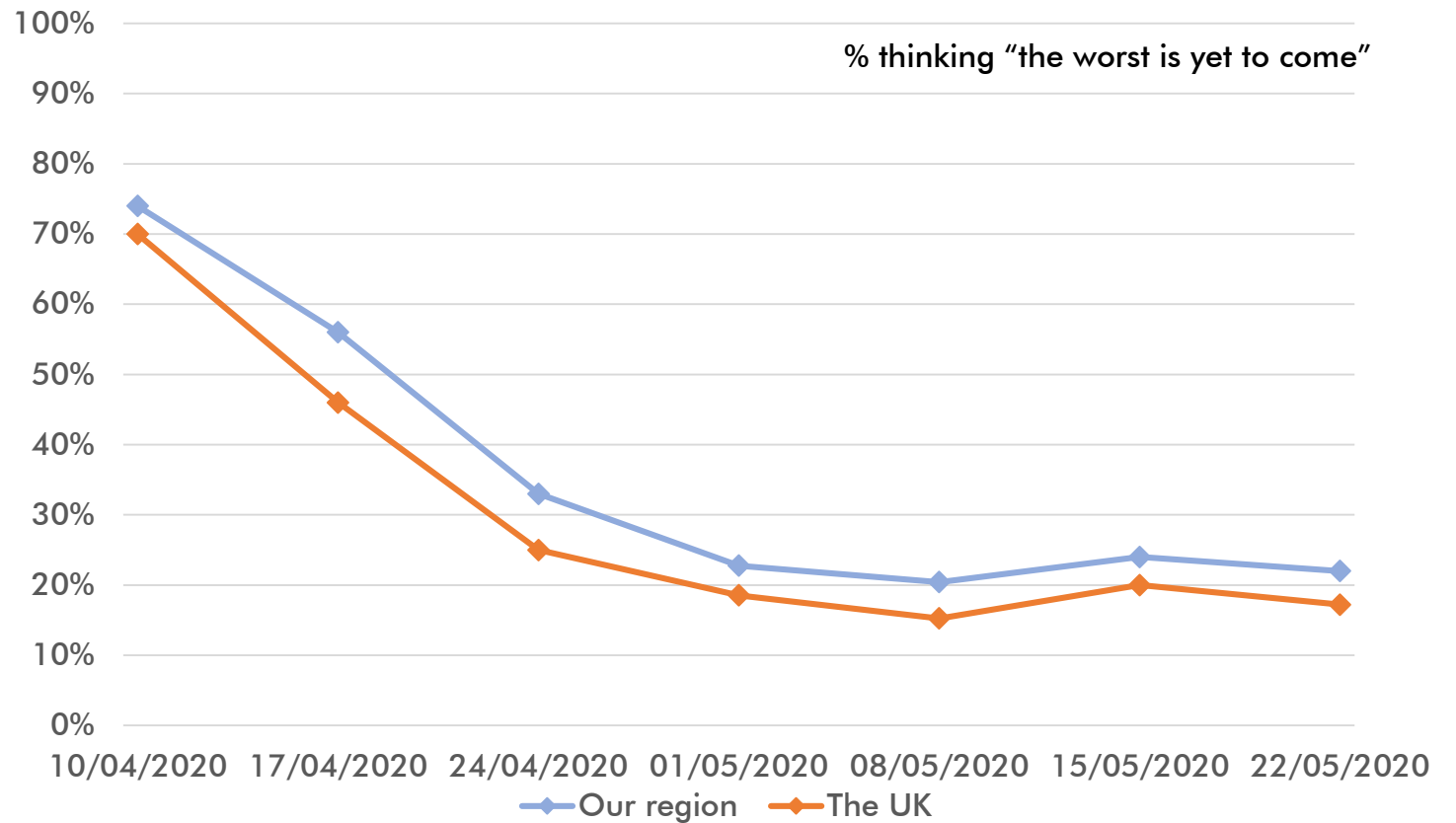
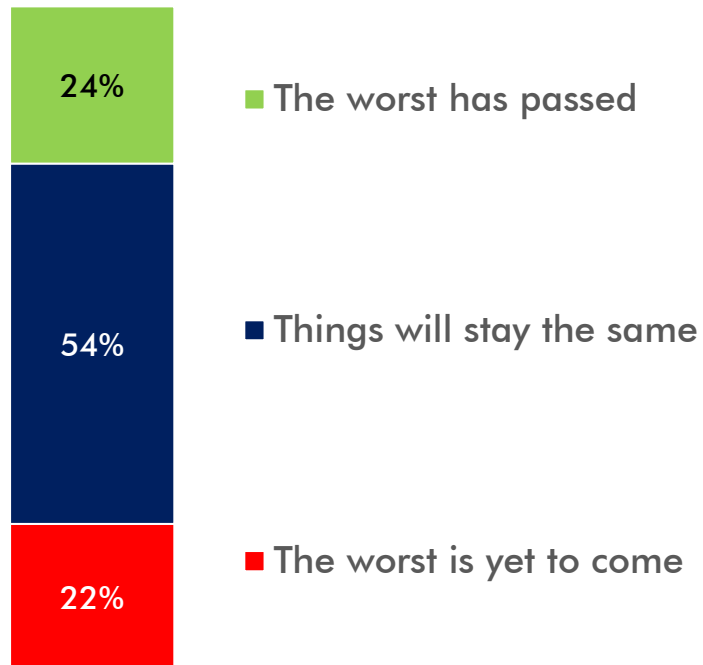
Overall mood holds steady this week, with little change over the 7 weeks of the tracker.



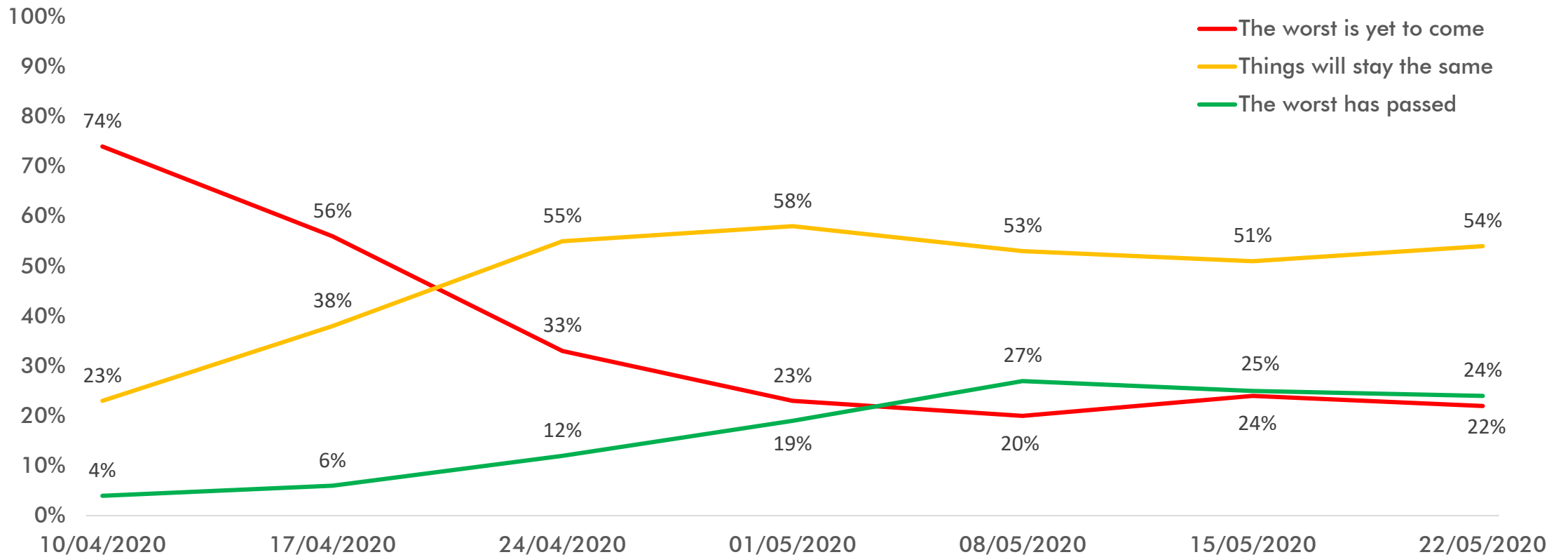
How would you rate your mood today? (0 to 10 Very poor to excellent) Base: All respondents n=401

The majority of people still think that things will stay the same in the coming month with a slight reduction in those that believe the worst is yet to come.

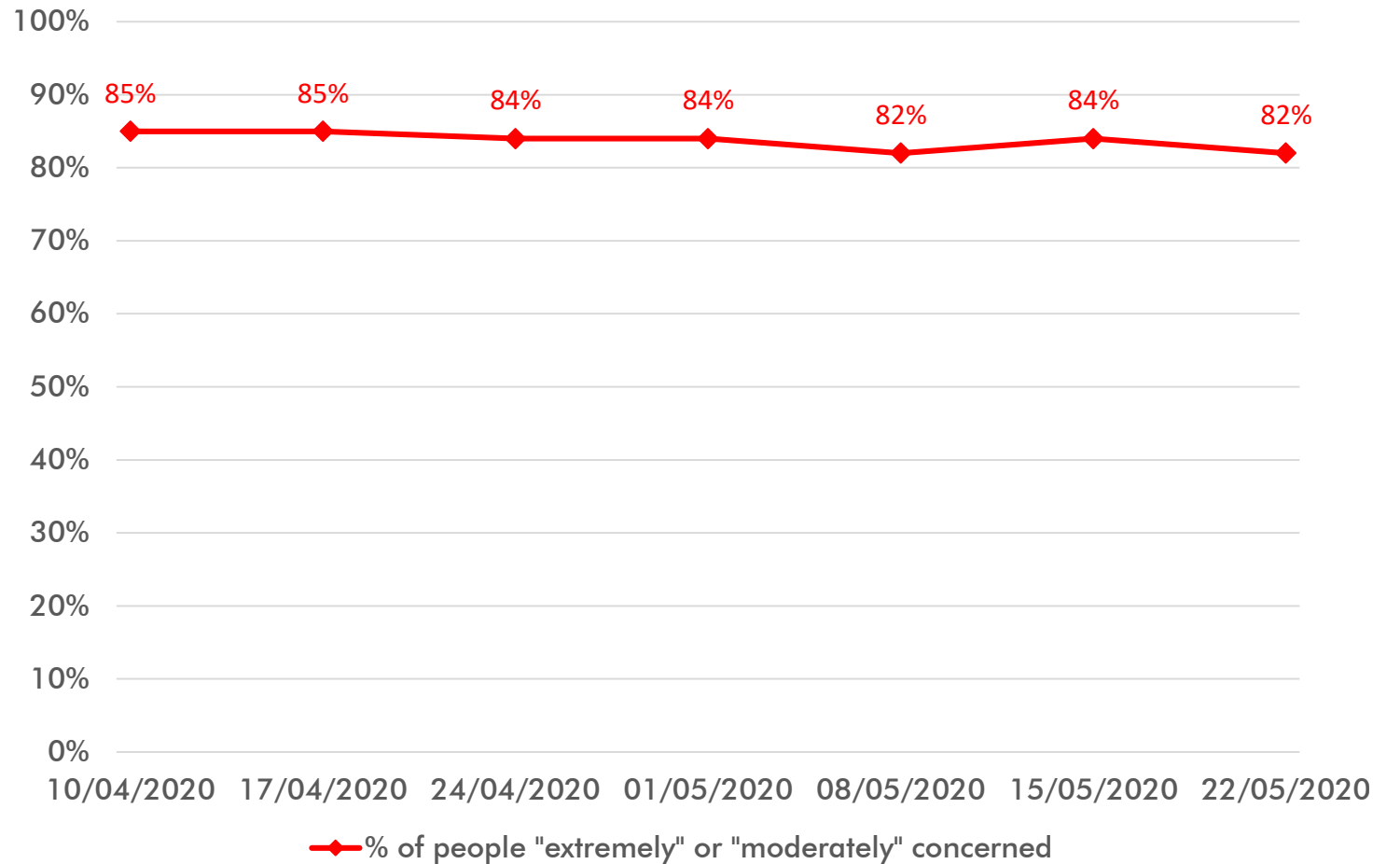
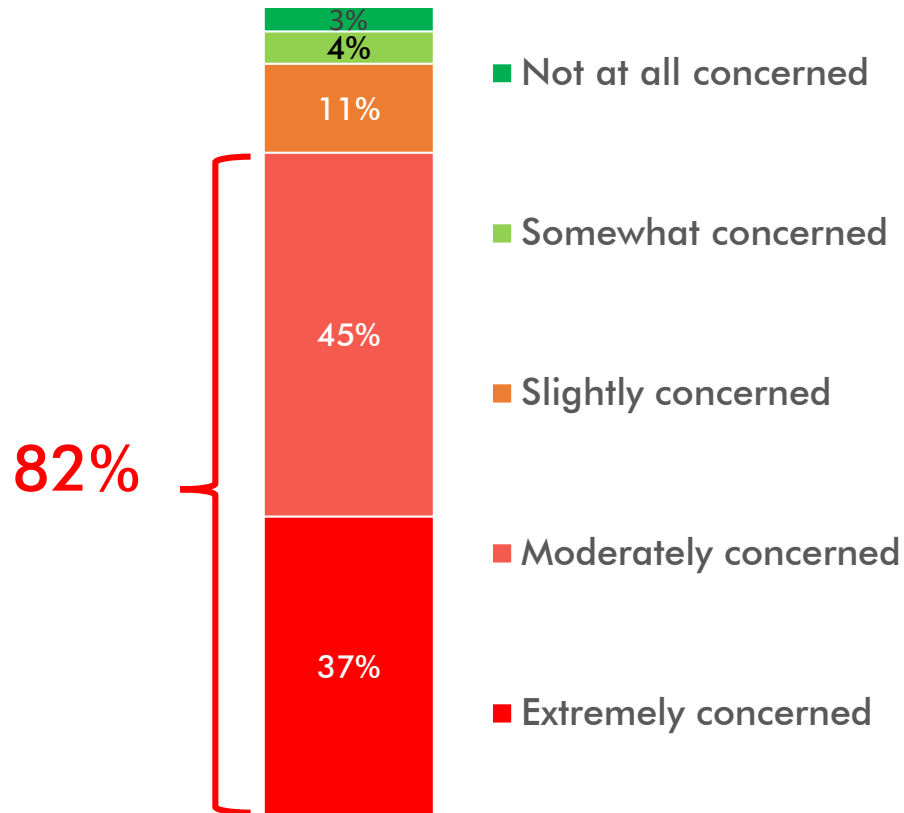
Our region
22/05/20



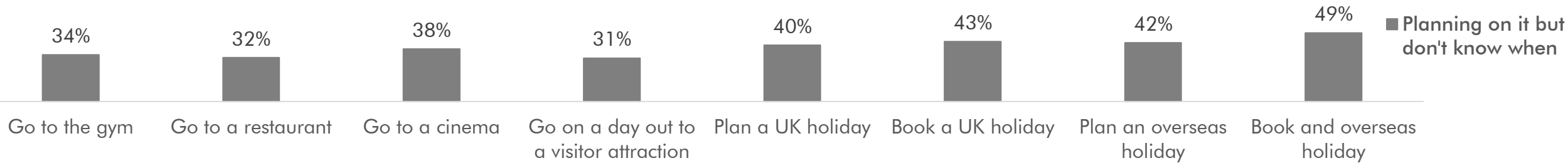
The gradual improvement in outlook towards the Covid-19 pandemic has stopped. For the 3rd week in a row there is a reduction in in the proportion who think the worst has passed.



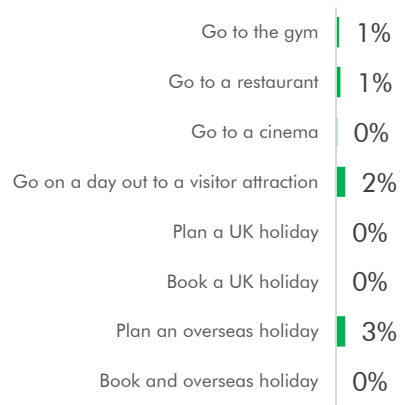
Despite this, levels of concern about Covid-19 have fallen to their lowest level again following last week's rise.



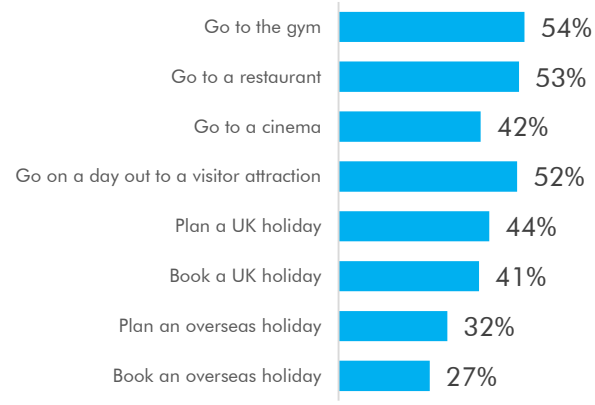
People are ready to go on holiday. There is an increase this week amongst people who want to plan or book a holiday either in the UK or abroad within the next 2-6 months.



Within the next month



Within the next 2-6 months



Within the next 7-12 months



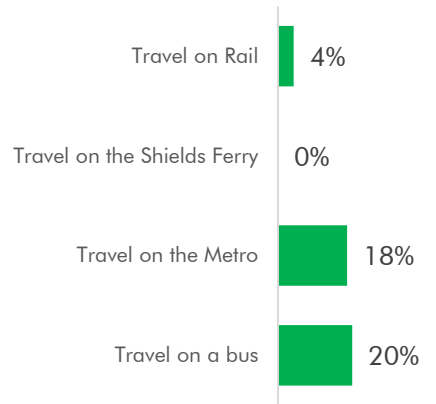
Given what you know today, when do you anticipate doing the following? Base: All respondents n=403 (Excludes those not planning on specified activity)



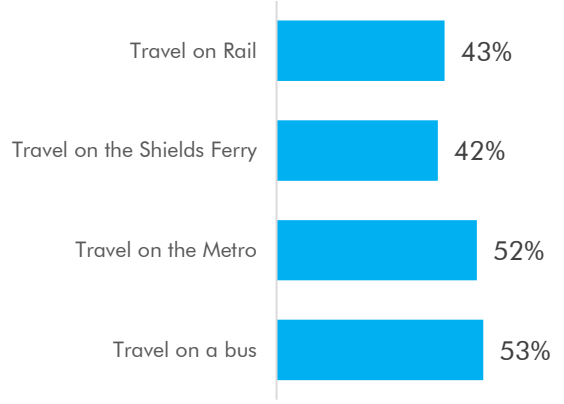
This week sees an increase in people anticipating using the bus or Metro within the next month, however there has also been a rise in those planning on it but not knowing when.



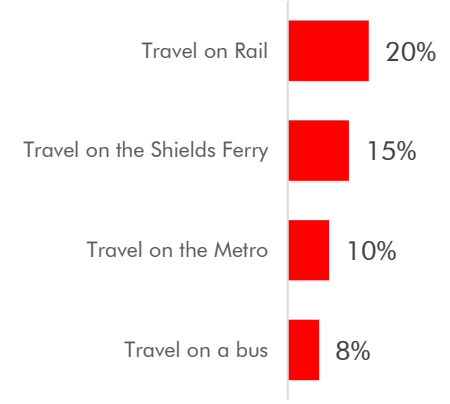
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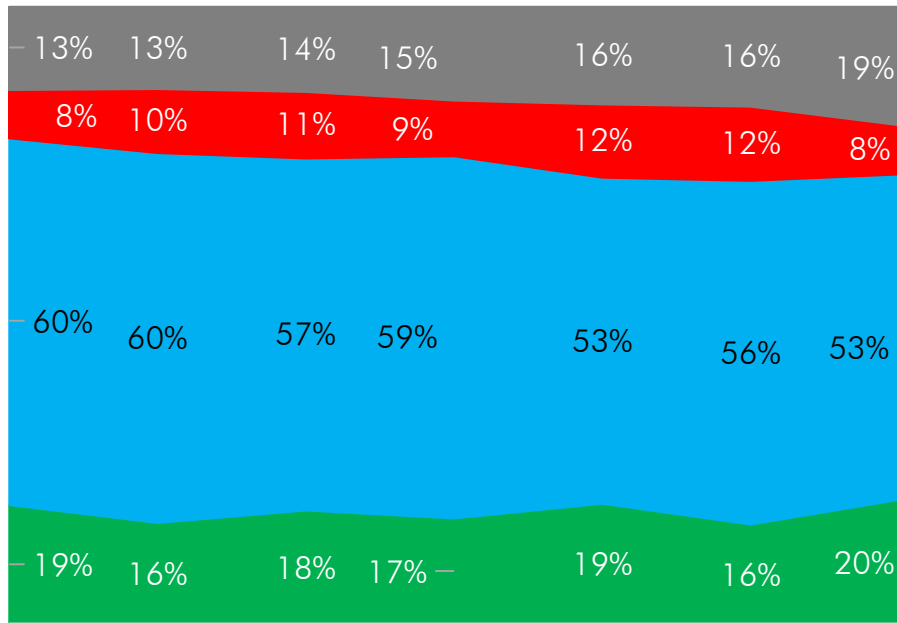


Given what you know today, when do you anticipate doing the following? Base: All respondents n=407 (Excludes those not planning on specified activity)



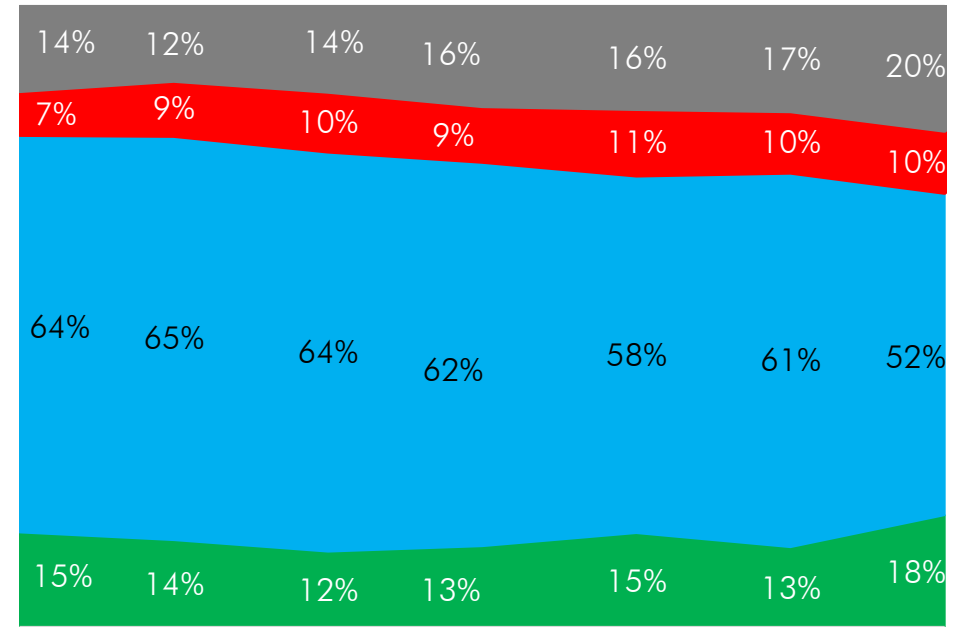
This week sees the highest levels of respondents anticipating using a bus or Metro within the next month.

When will you next travel on a bus?



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When will you next travel on the Metro?



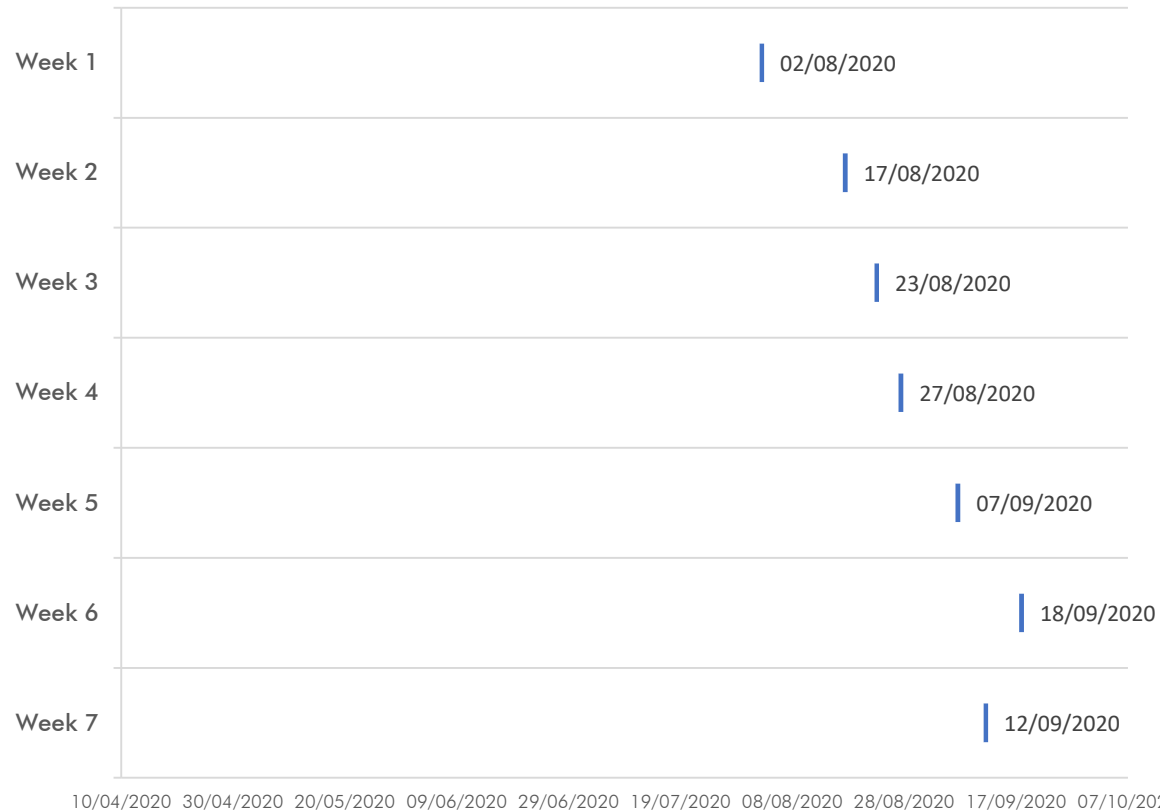
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- Planning on it but don't know when
- Within the next 7 to 12 months
- Within the next 2 to 6 months
- Within the next month

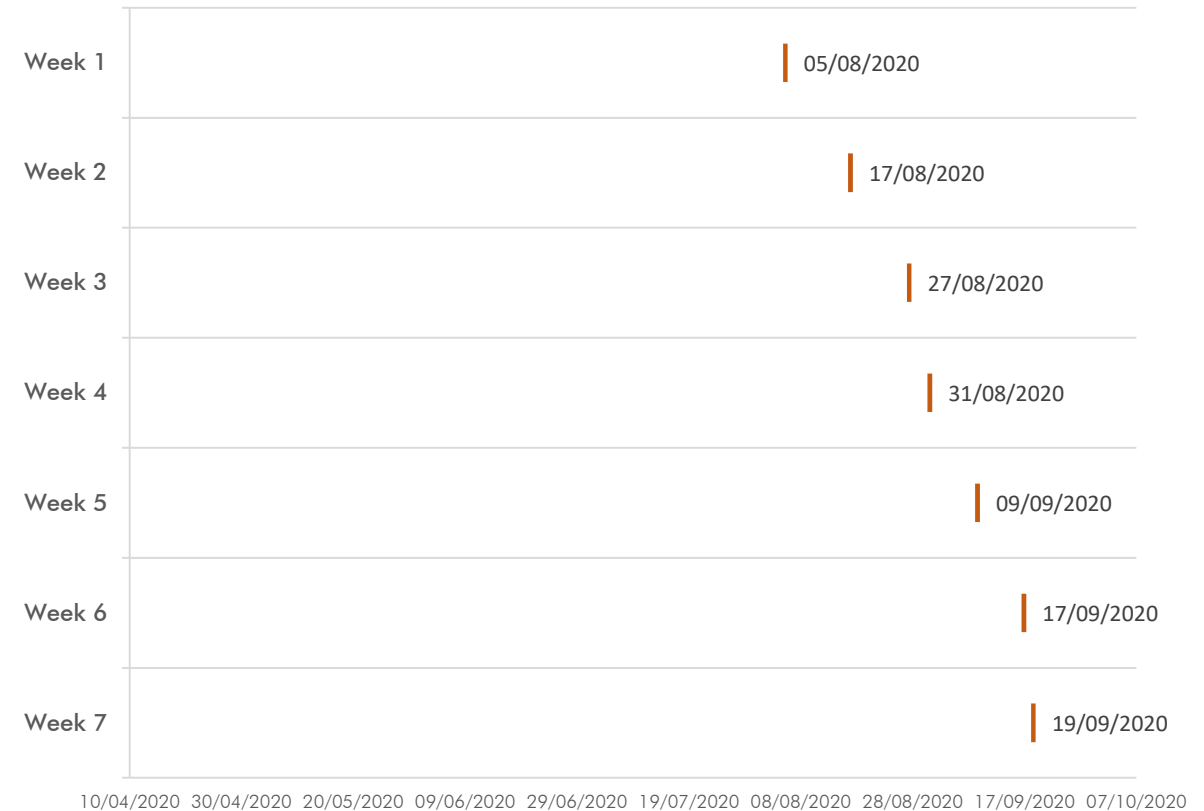


Whilst expectations of returning to public transport is pointing to late summer, this week sees a more positive outlook for bus travel compared to last week.

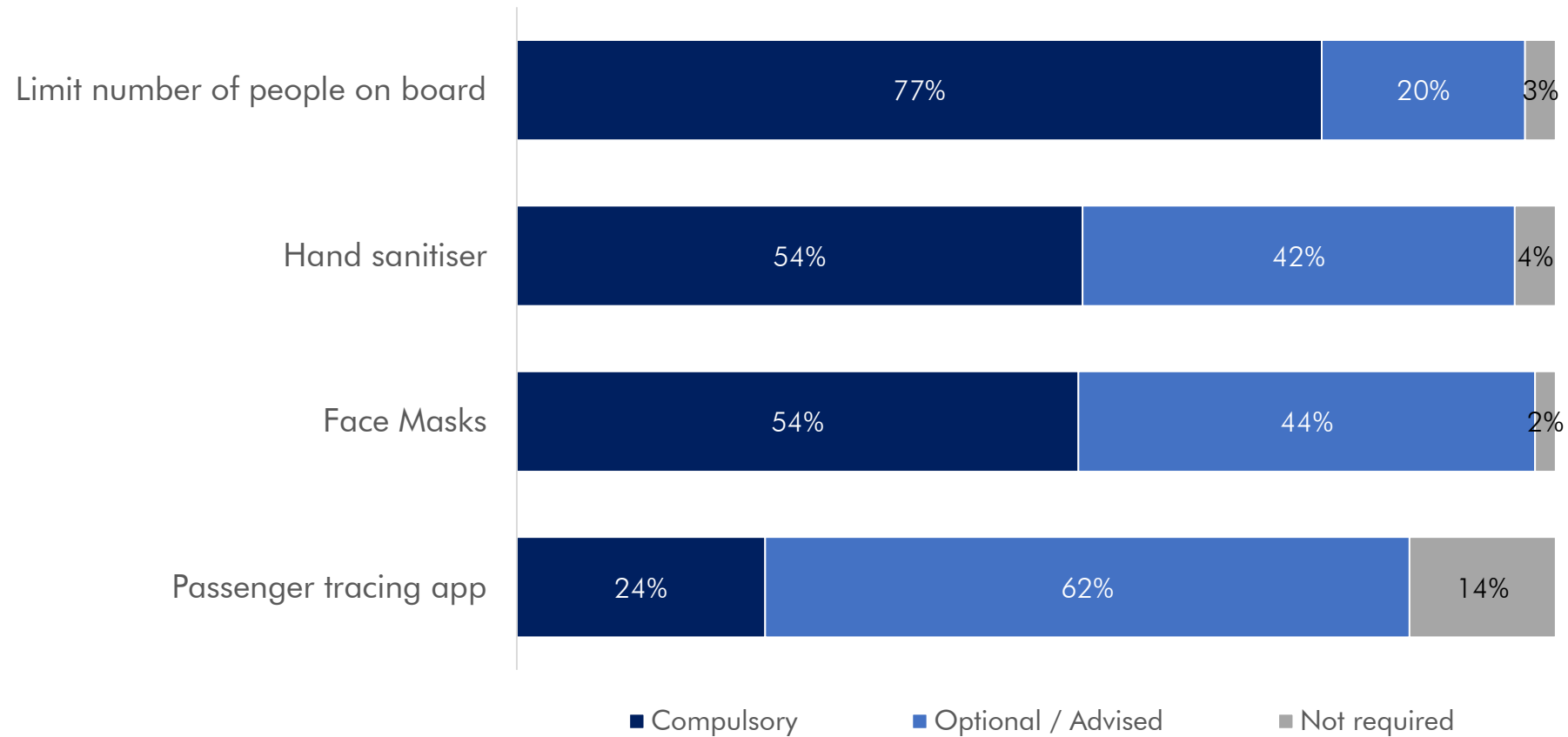
Expected point of using **Bus** (average)



Expected point of using **Metro** (average)



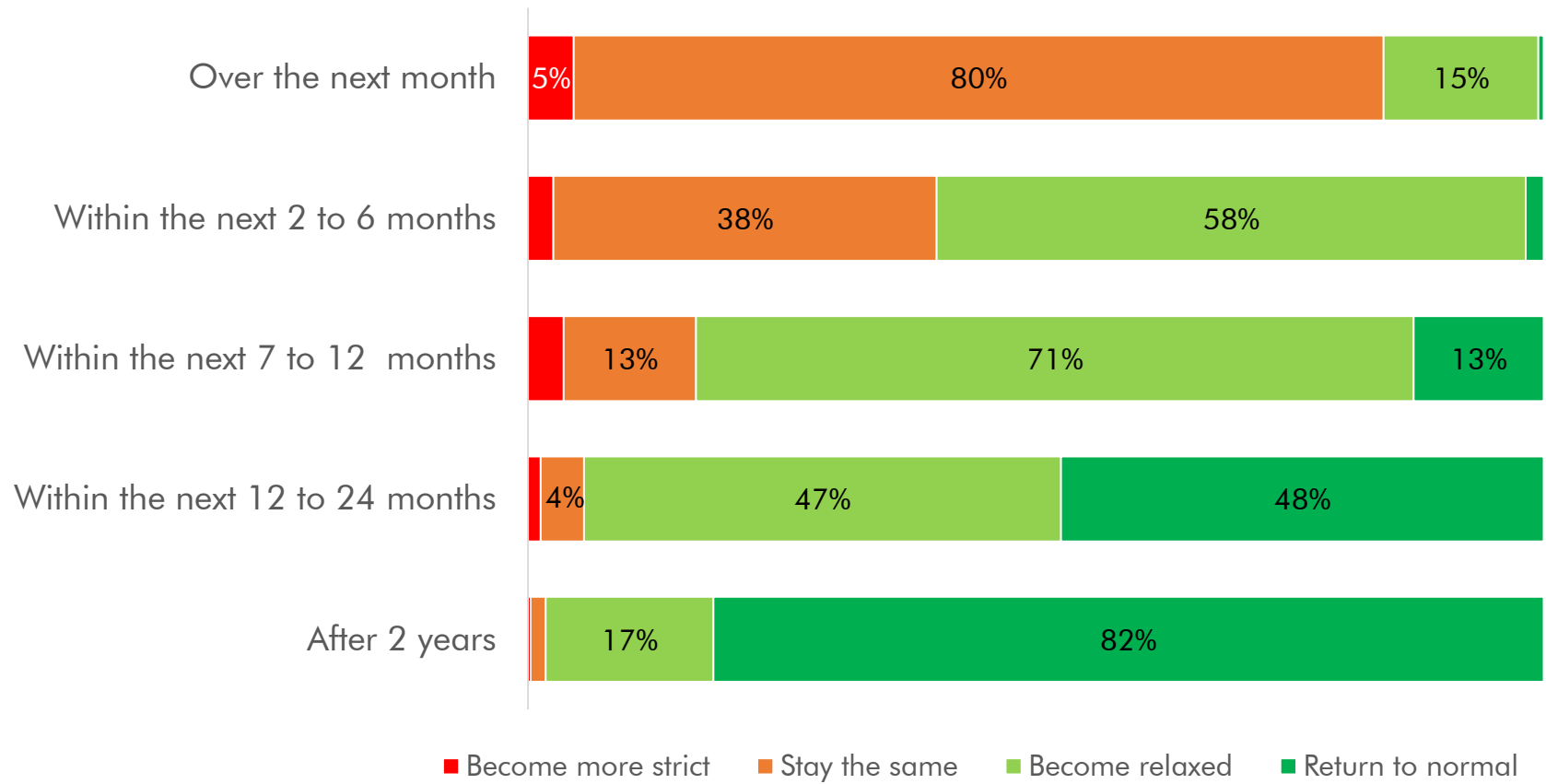
There is still overall support for all interventions to limit the spread of Covid-19 on public transport.



When the current lockdown is eased to what extent do you think the following arrangements are necessary to use the bus or Metro? Base: All respondents n=407

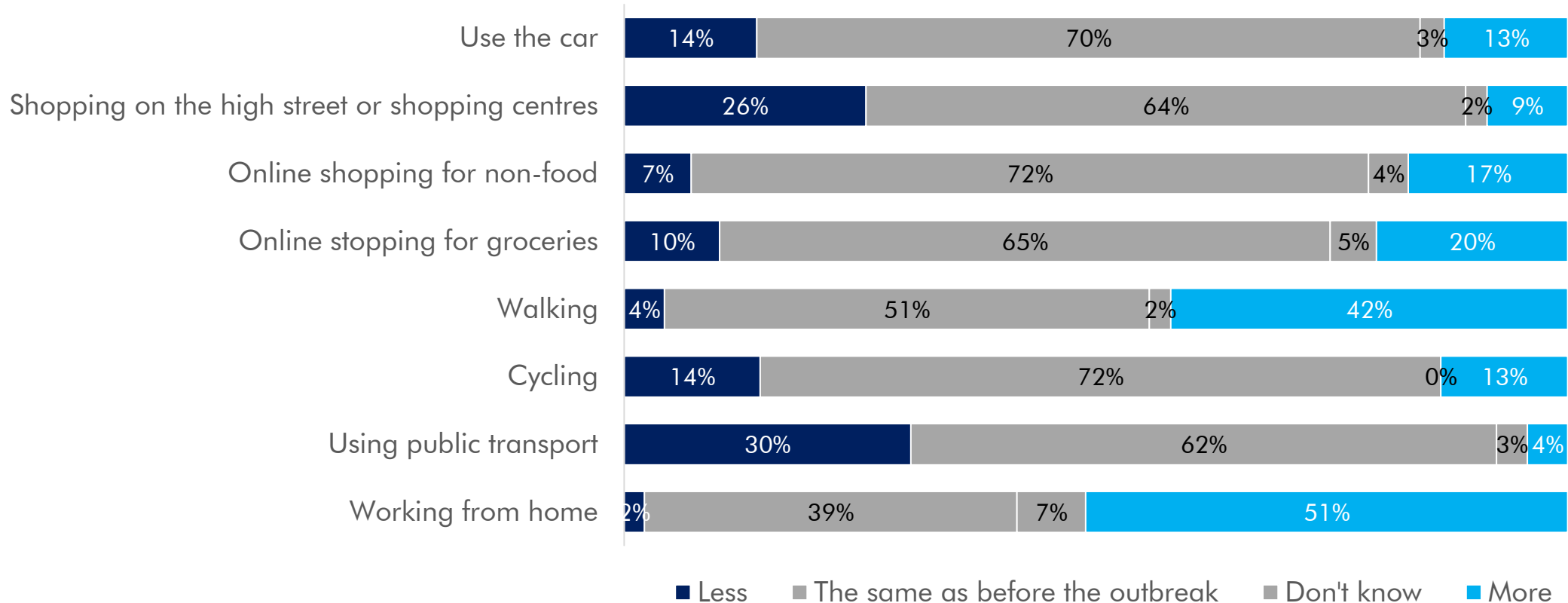


The majority of people believe social distancing will become more relaxed within the next 2 to 6 months.



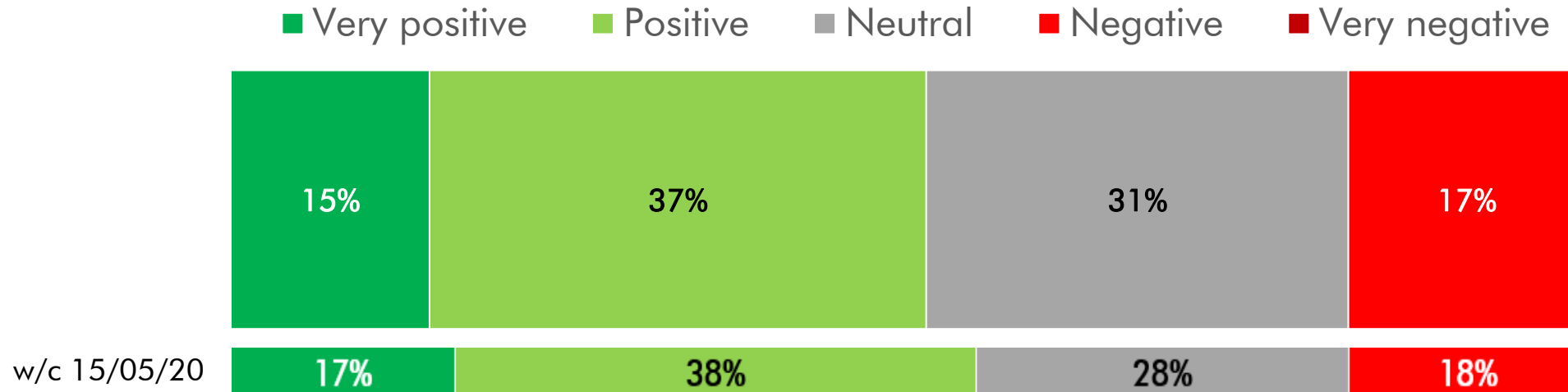
Given what you know today, how do you think social distancing rules will change? Base: All respondents n=407

This week sees a reduction in those planning on using public transport less falling from 34% last week to 30% this week. With a fall in those anticipating using the car and cycling more.

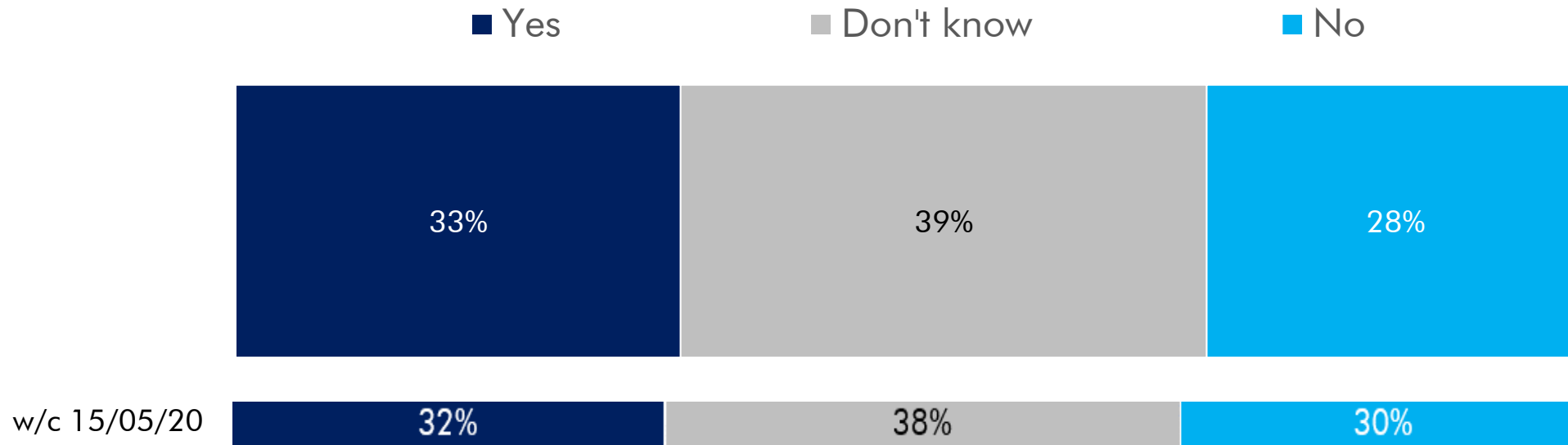


When the current situation is over and things return to normal, do you expect to do any more or less of the following compared to before Covid-19? Base: All respondents n=404 (N/A excluded)

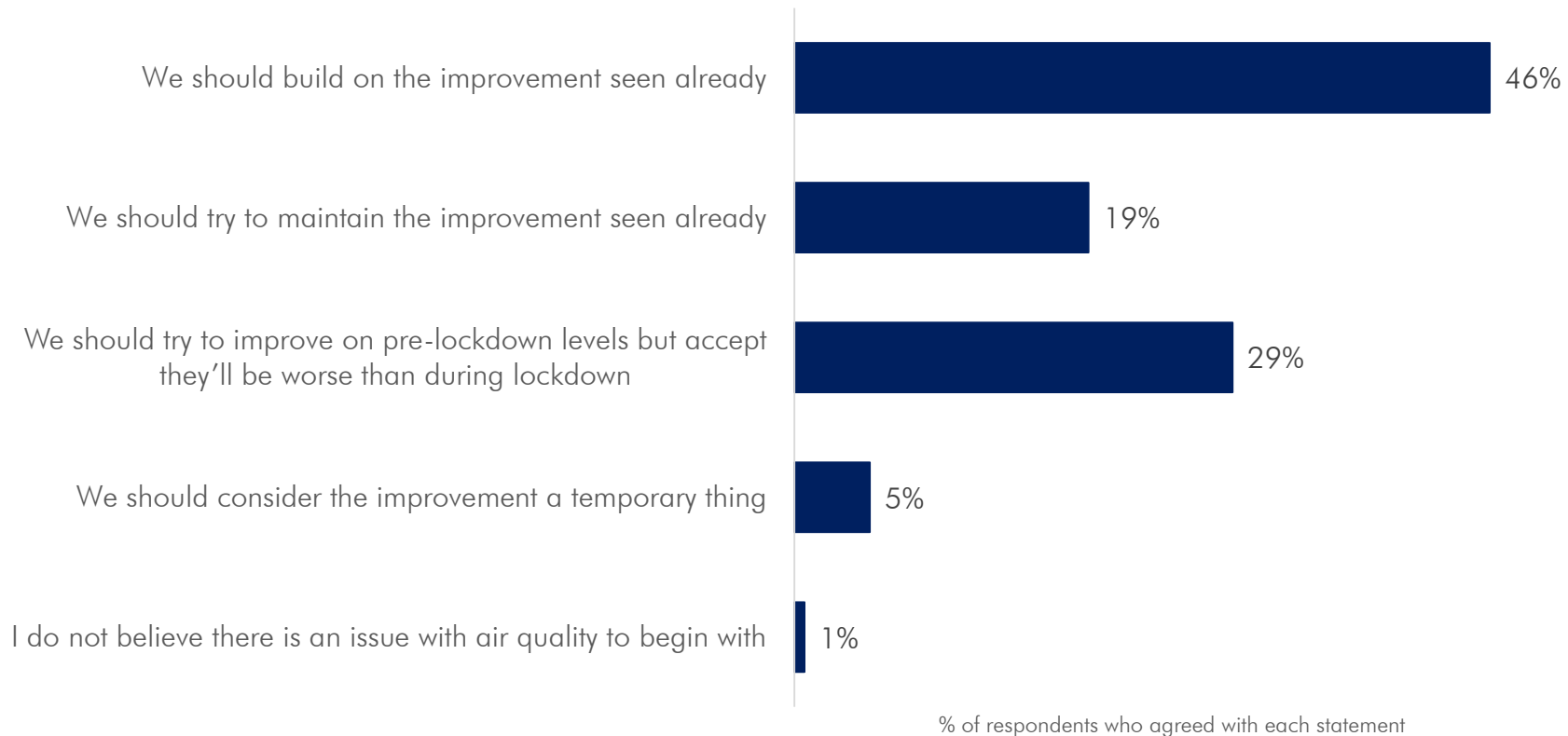
This week sees an increase in neutral responses as people adjust to working from home.



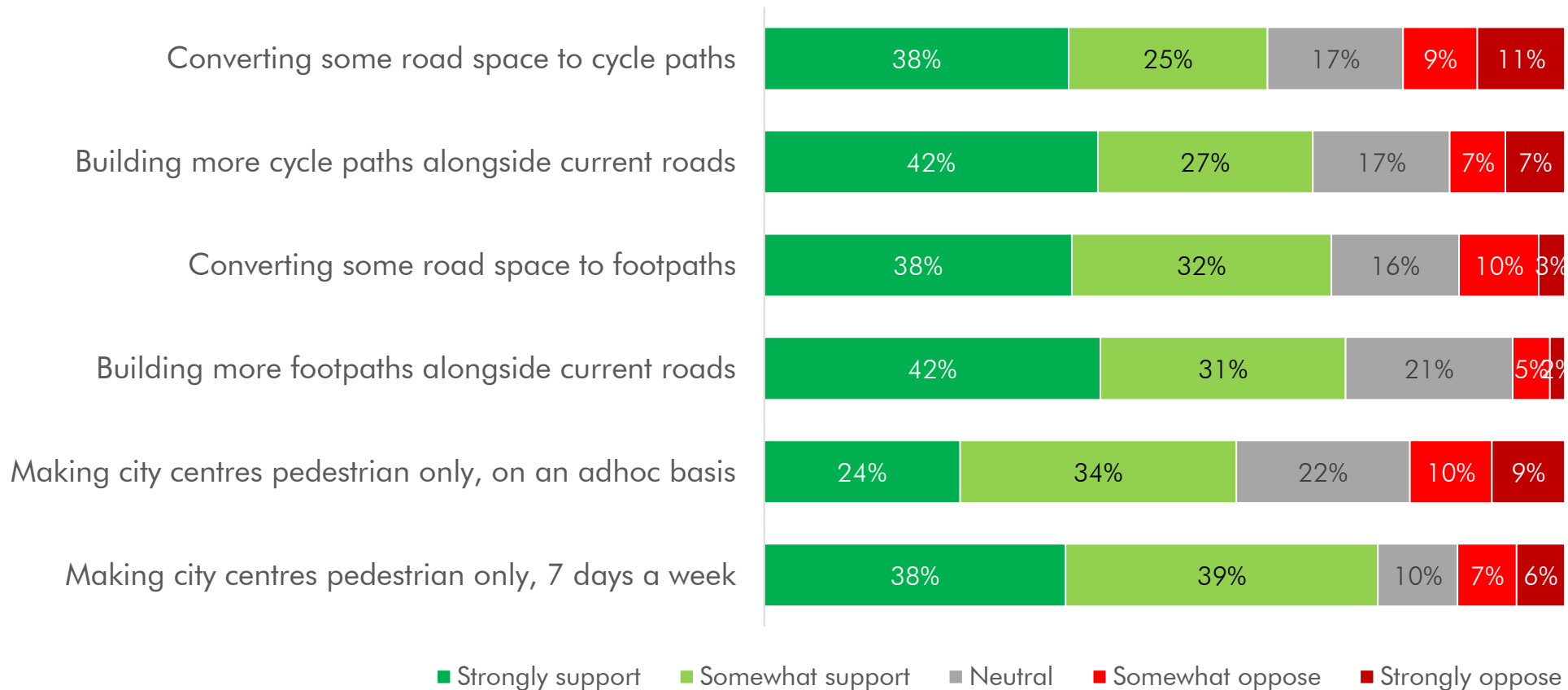
There is still no certainty as to whether their employer will allow home working permanently.



There is a strong feeling that we should build on the environmental benefits seen as a result of the lockdown restrictions. (Results from Week 4, 1st May 2020)



Significant levels of support for all initiatives covered this week to improve air quality. (Results from Week 5, 8th May 2020)



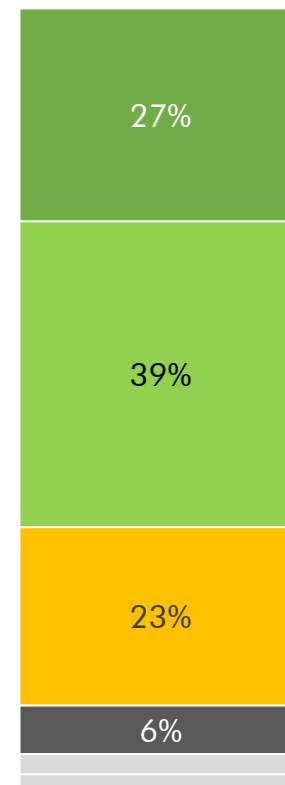
Over half of the respondents feel that they are well off or comfortable. Worryingly there are still 6% who are struggling to cope financially at the moment. (Result from Week 3, 24th April 2020)

Well off - My monthly income more than meets my needs and/or I have a decent sum in savings or investments

Comfortable - My monthly income meets my needs and/or I have some savings as a cushion

Managing - My monthly income meets my needs and/or I have no real savings or investments

Struggling - My monthly income does not meet my needs and/or I have no savings or investments



None of these/don't know