

**ICANN**

**VIRTUAL POLICY FORUM**

**71**

14–17 June 2021

# **The Post-Pandemic Future of ICANN Public Meetings**

Thursday 17 June 2021  
16:30 CEST

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# Welcome

# ICANN Public Meeting Survey Results: Community Interest in Face-to-Face Meetings

This community survey was conducted to investigate the possibility of organizing ICANN72 as a hybrid meeting with virtual and in-person attendance in Seattle. The survey target audience was current virtual attendees and previous in-person attendees from the last 3 years.

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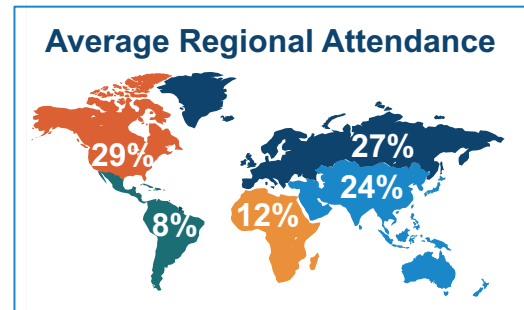
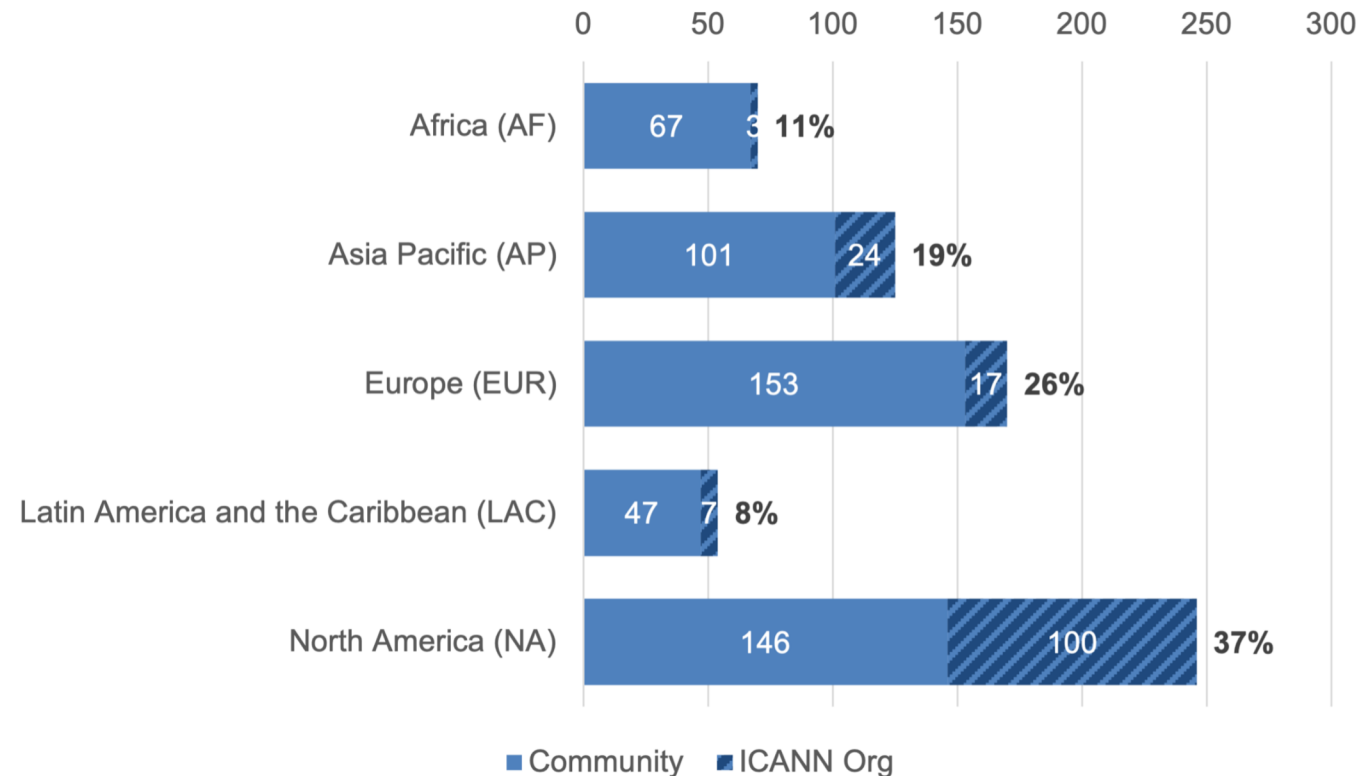
**The Board will consider the results of this survey as an important part of its deliberations.**

Final results as of 10 June 2021

# Survey Results | Regional Breakdown

(Q3)

In what region do you live?

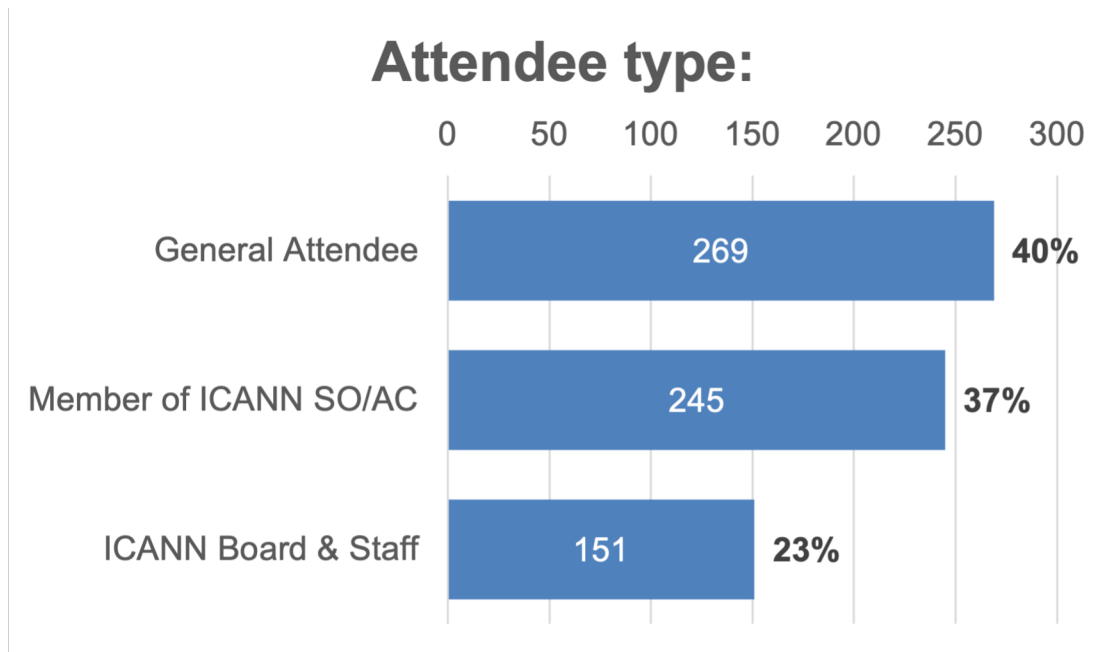


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2,079 average attendees since 2016, with 665 responses = 32% survey response rate

## Survey Results | Attendee Breakdown

(Q2)

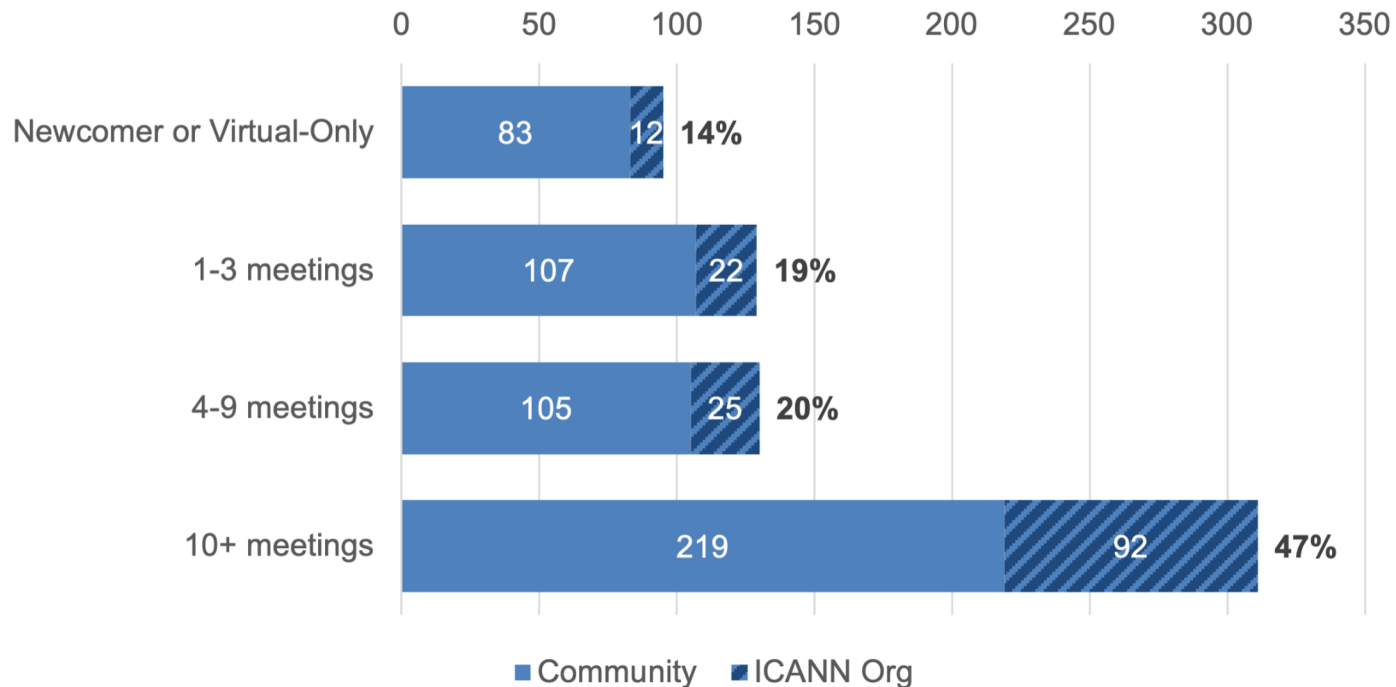


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## Survey Results | Attendee Experience

(Q1)

How many in-person ICANN Meetings have you attended in the past?



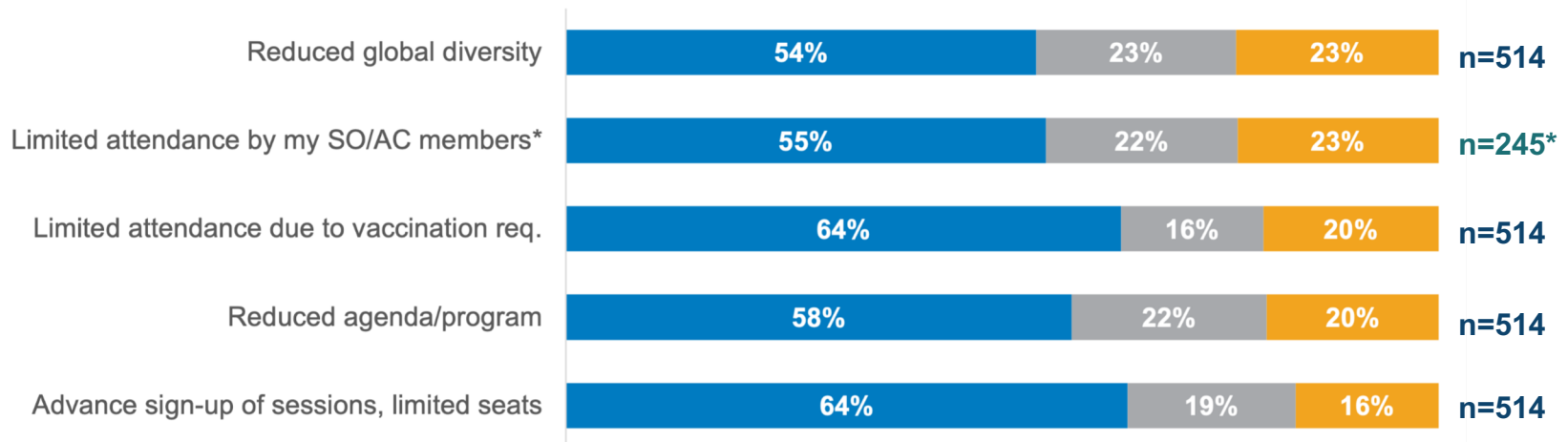
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## Survey Results | Community Perspective

(Q11)

**Do you agree with ICANN holding an in-person meeting under the following conditions?**

■ Yes ■ Neutral ■ No



\*Respondents are SO/AC members only.

Data excludes Org Staff, Support Staff, Board feedback.

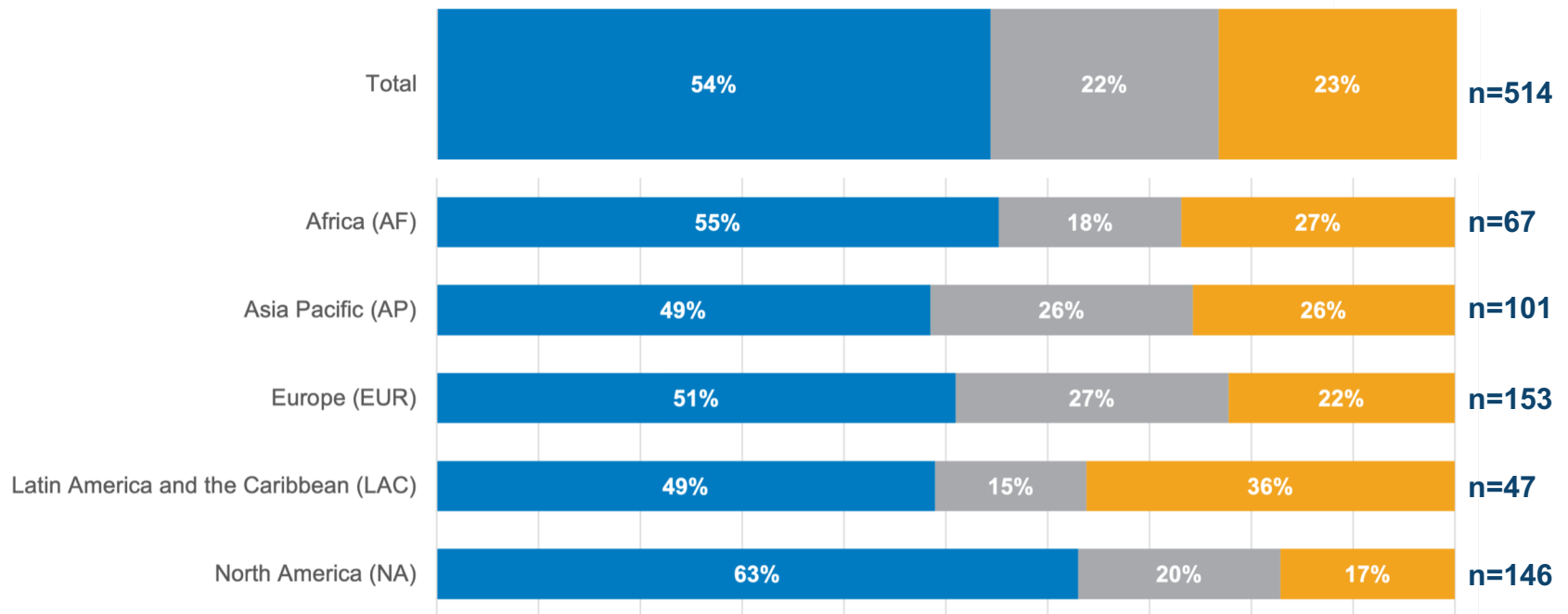


# Survey Results | Limited Attendance by Region - Diversity

(Q11a)

## A. Reduced global diversity of in-person attendance due to COVID restrictions

■ Yes ■ Neutral ■ No



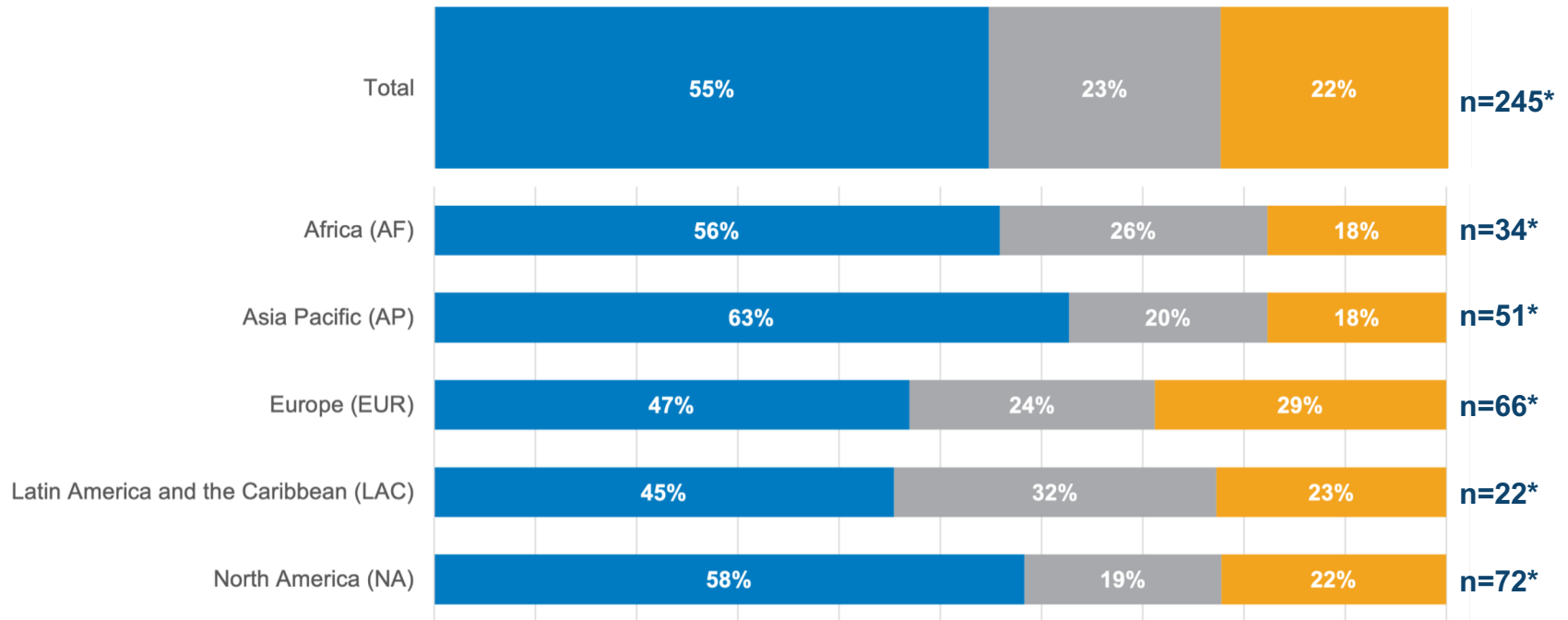
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# Survey Results | Limited Attendance by Region - SO/AC

(Q11b)

## B. Limited in-person attendance by my SO/AC

■ Yes ■ Neutral ■ No

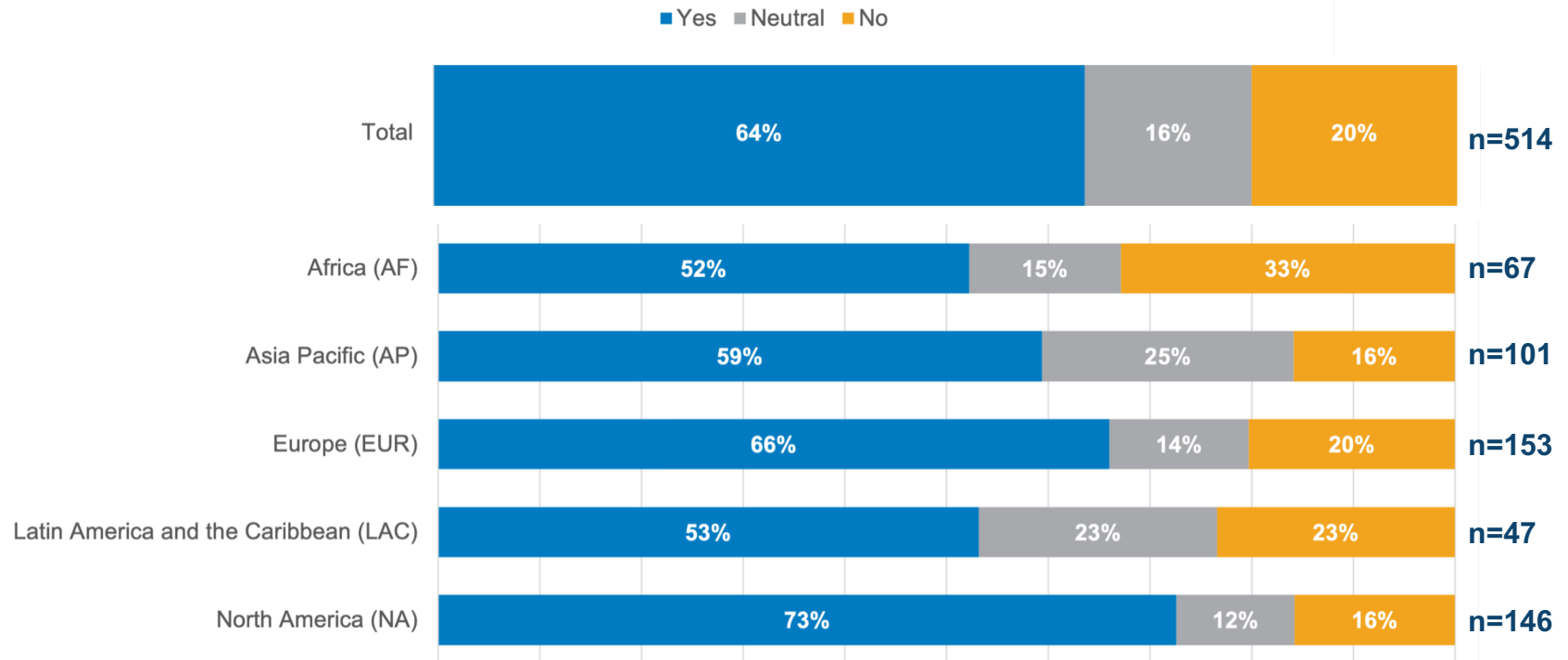


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## Survey Results | Limited Attendance by Region - Vaccinations (Q11c)

### C. Limited in-person attendance due to vaccination requirements



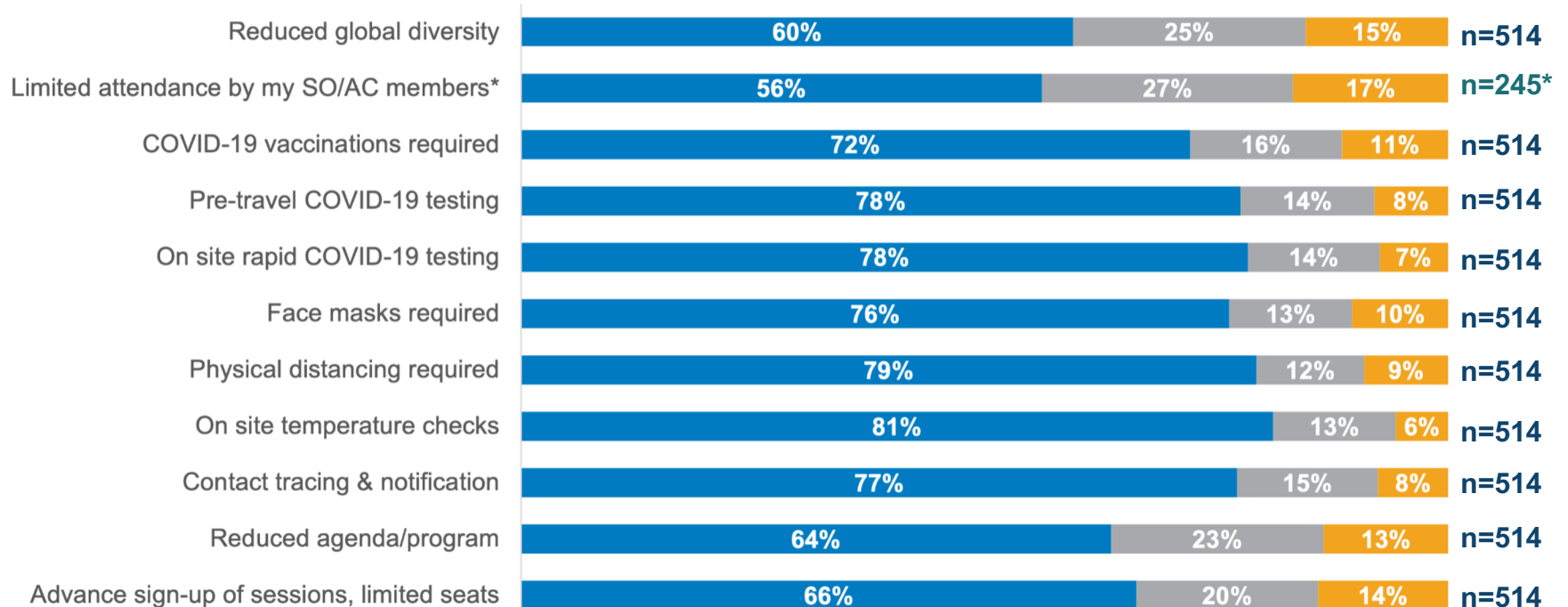
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# Survey Results | Community Willingness

(Q10)

Would you be willing to attend a meeting in person under the following conditions?

■ Yes, I would attend in person   ■ N/A or Not sure   ■ No, I would not attend in person



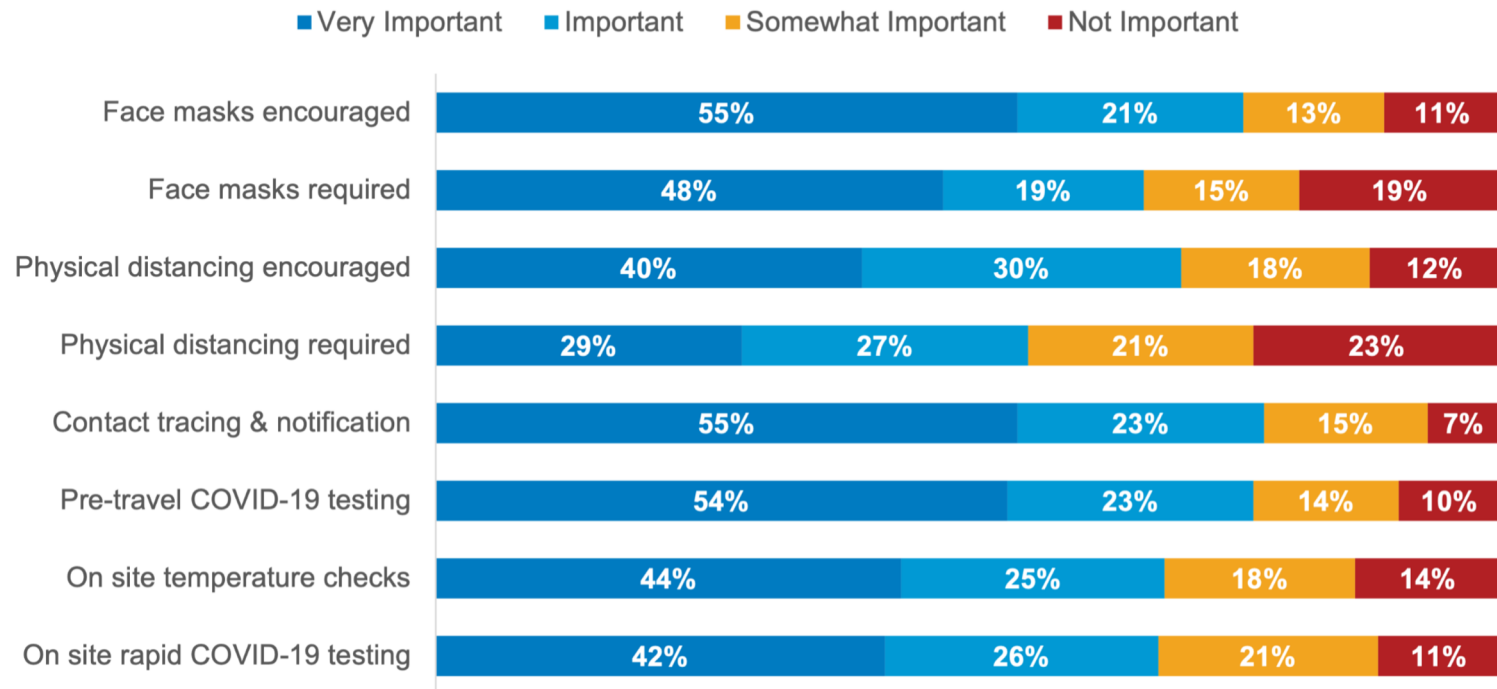
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## Survey Results | Community Priorities

(Q9)

How important are the following safety protocols in your decision to attend an ICANN Public Meeting in person?



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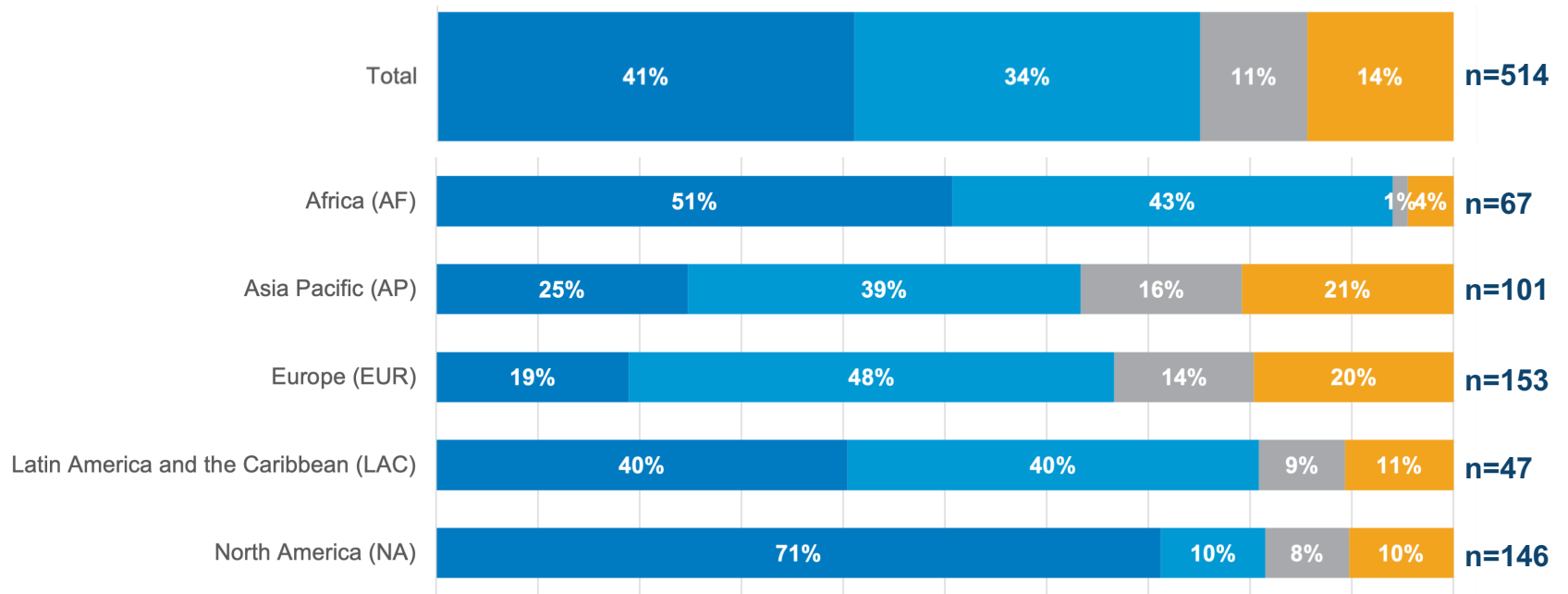
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# Survey Results | Community Willingness to Attend

(Q12)

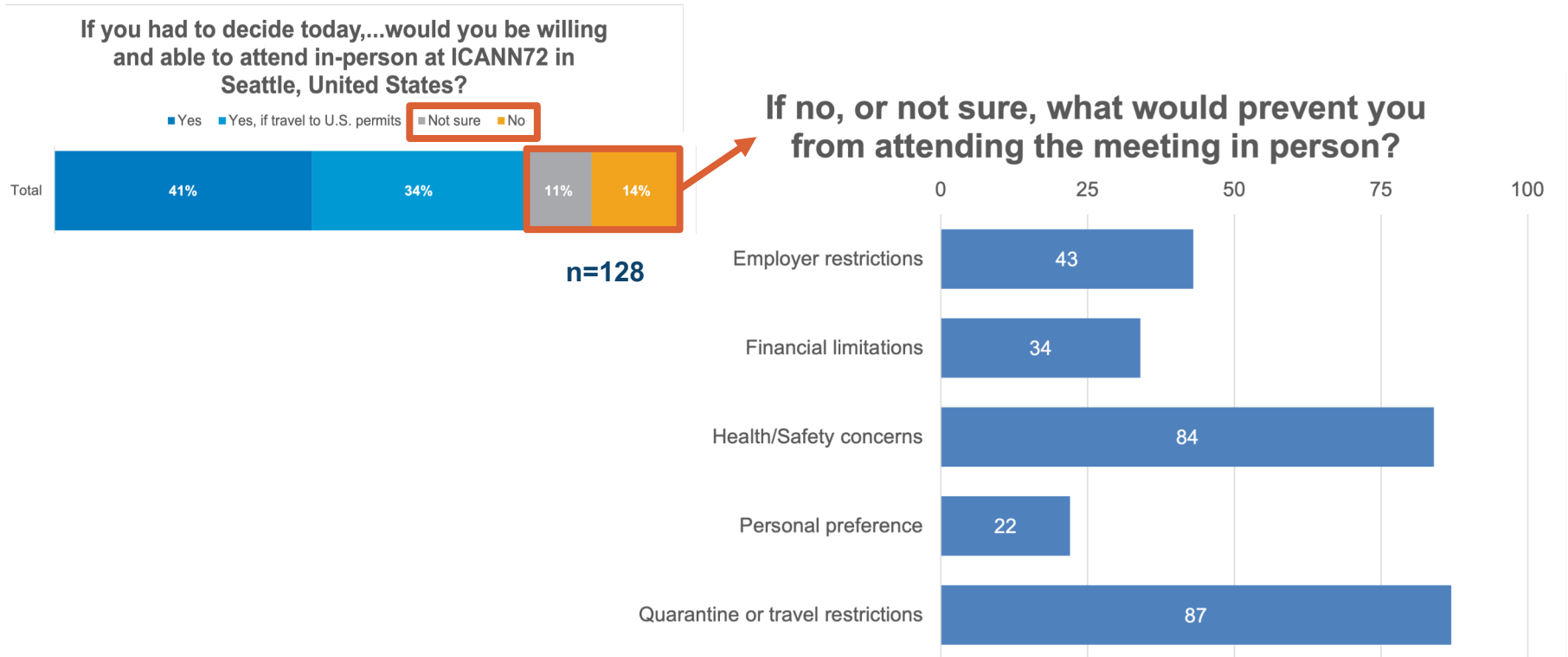
If you had to decide today,...would you be willing and able to attend in-person at ICANN72 in Seattle, United States?

■ Yes ■ Yes, if travel to U.S. permits ■ Not sure ■ No



Data excludes Org Staff, Support Staff, Board feedback.

# Survey Results | Community Willingness to Attend Breakdown (Q13)



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# Survey Results

## Global Considerations

- Current travel restrictions among countries
- US Visa availability with many embassies and consulates operating at reduced capacity
- Varying vaccine availability
- Varying COVID-19 infection rates

## Timeline Considerations

- Mid-July decision date to accommodate:
  - Funded traveler visas and community travel arrangements
  - Venue and service provider contractual obligations

## What do we mean by hybrid?

A “Hybrid” meeting embraces a more equitable approach to the different interaction types of in-person and virtual participants.

- Continued use of existing enhanced virtual participation tools
- Improved moderation of sessions ensuring equal participation by virtual attendees
- Better integration of in-person and virtual presenters



## Survey Results | Community Feedback



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# Community Discussion

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1

If it were possible to hold a hybrid ICANN72 (in-person participation and remote participation via Zoom), is global in-person representation necessary to have an inclusive and effective meeting?

2

How will your community group and its work be affected if a substantial number of session chairs, leaders, and active participants are not physically present at ICANN 72?

3

If we were to hold a hybrid meeting, what suggestions would you have to ensure that all voices are heard?

# Community Discussion

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Are there other factors the Board should consider that were not raised in the survey or discussed today?

# Closing Remarks

# Engage with ICANN



## Thank You and Questions

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