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**Food Survey Results**  
**October 2020**



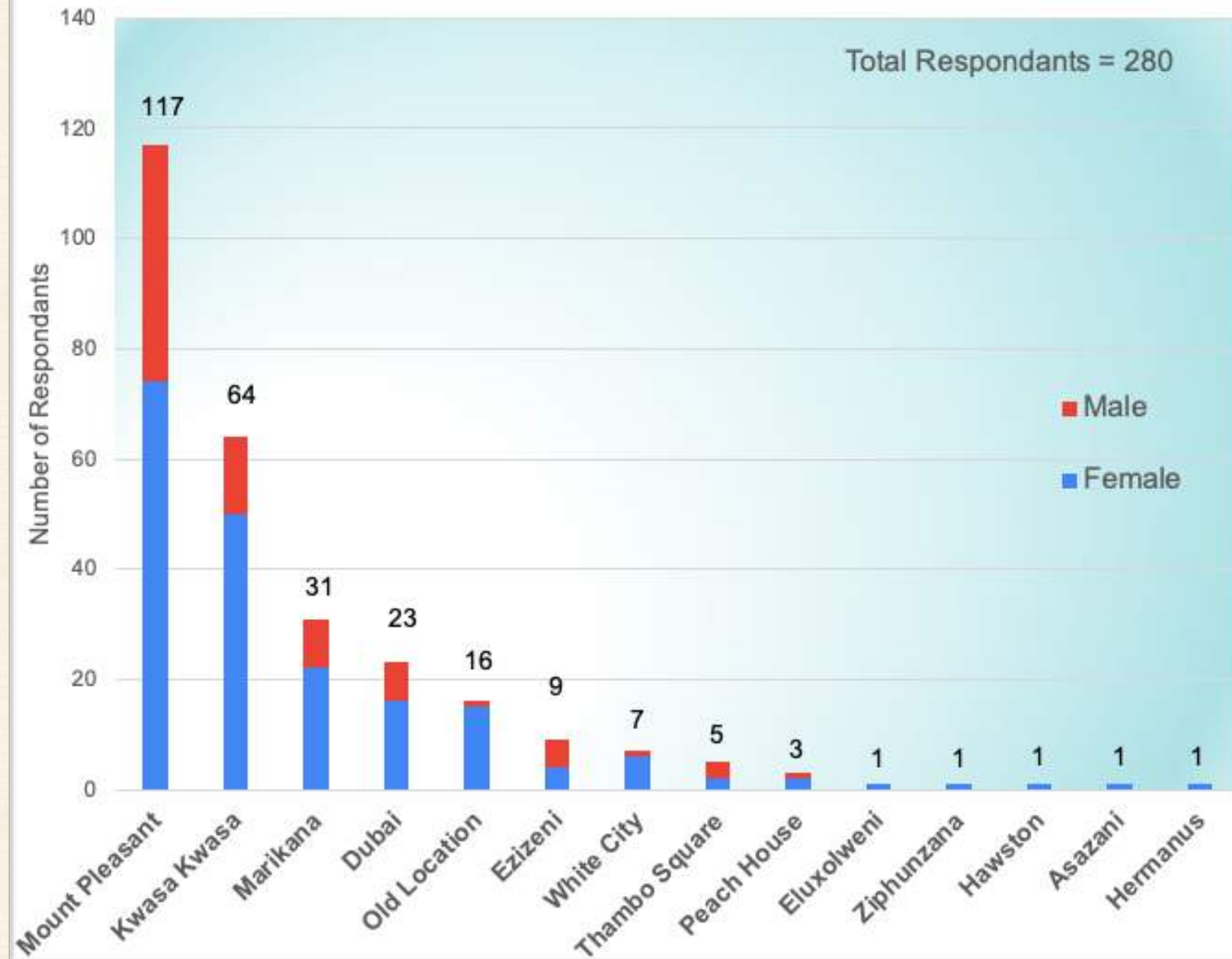
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# Background

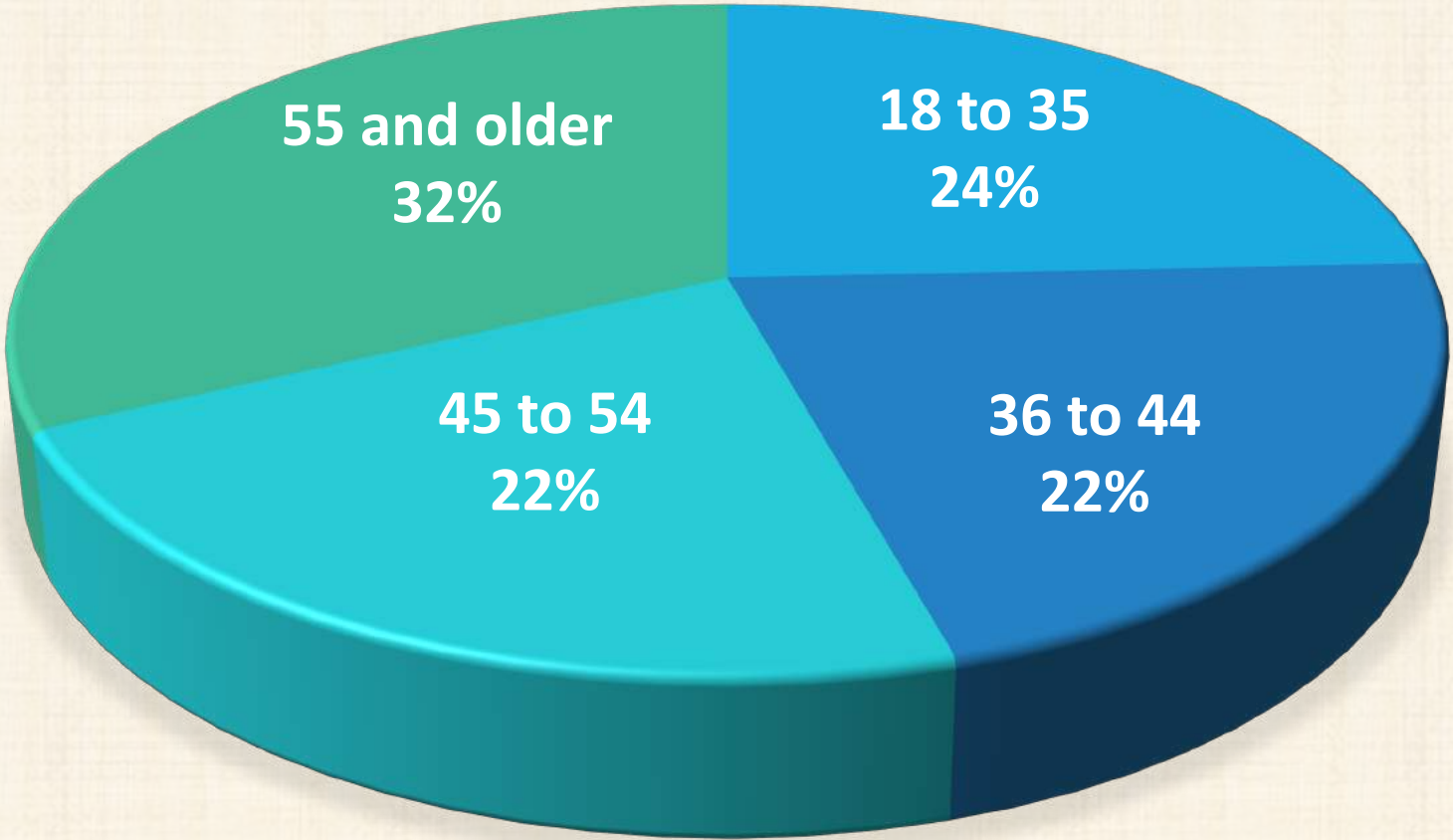
- Survey was run during w/c 26 October 2020
- Total respondents: 280. This is about 1/3 of food parcel recipients.
- The distribution of the sample across several areas is seen as providing a sufficiently accurate coverage of current food distribution.
- High number of responses in from Mount Pleasant is mainly an outcome of the relative of the size of area. In Zwelihle, surveyed areas represent smaller 'sub-areas'. Respondents collecting parcels at RDP come from many different areas.
- Location-specific analysis is only provided for the areas with relatively high numbers of respondents (Mount Pleasant , Kwasa Kwasa, Marikana and Dubai).
- In the other locations, samples are too small to draw any location-specific conclusions – *(See first slide)*



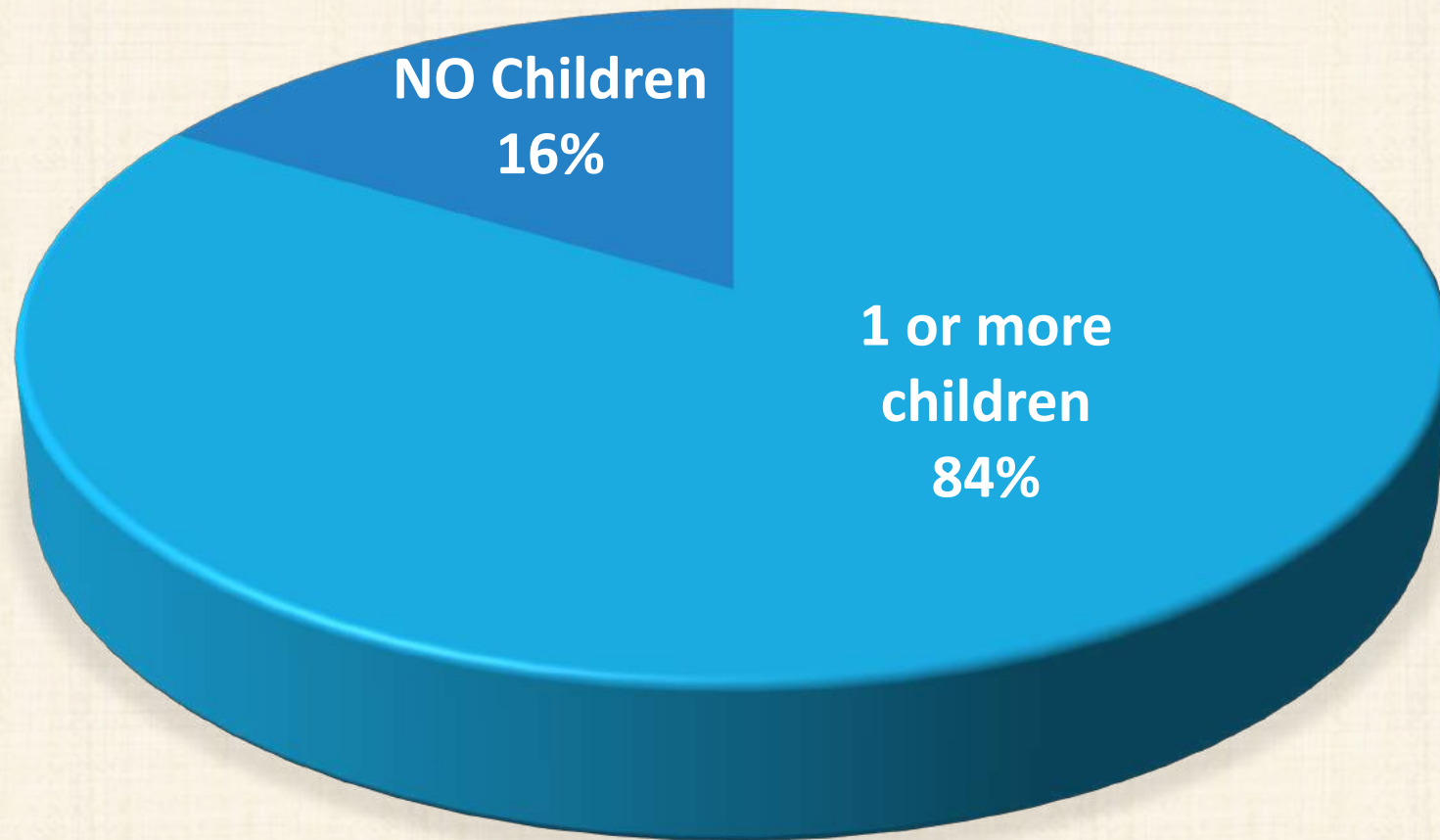
## Numbers of respondents



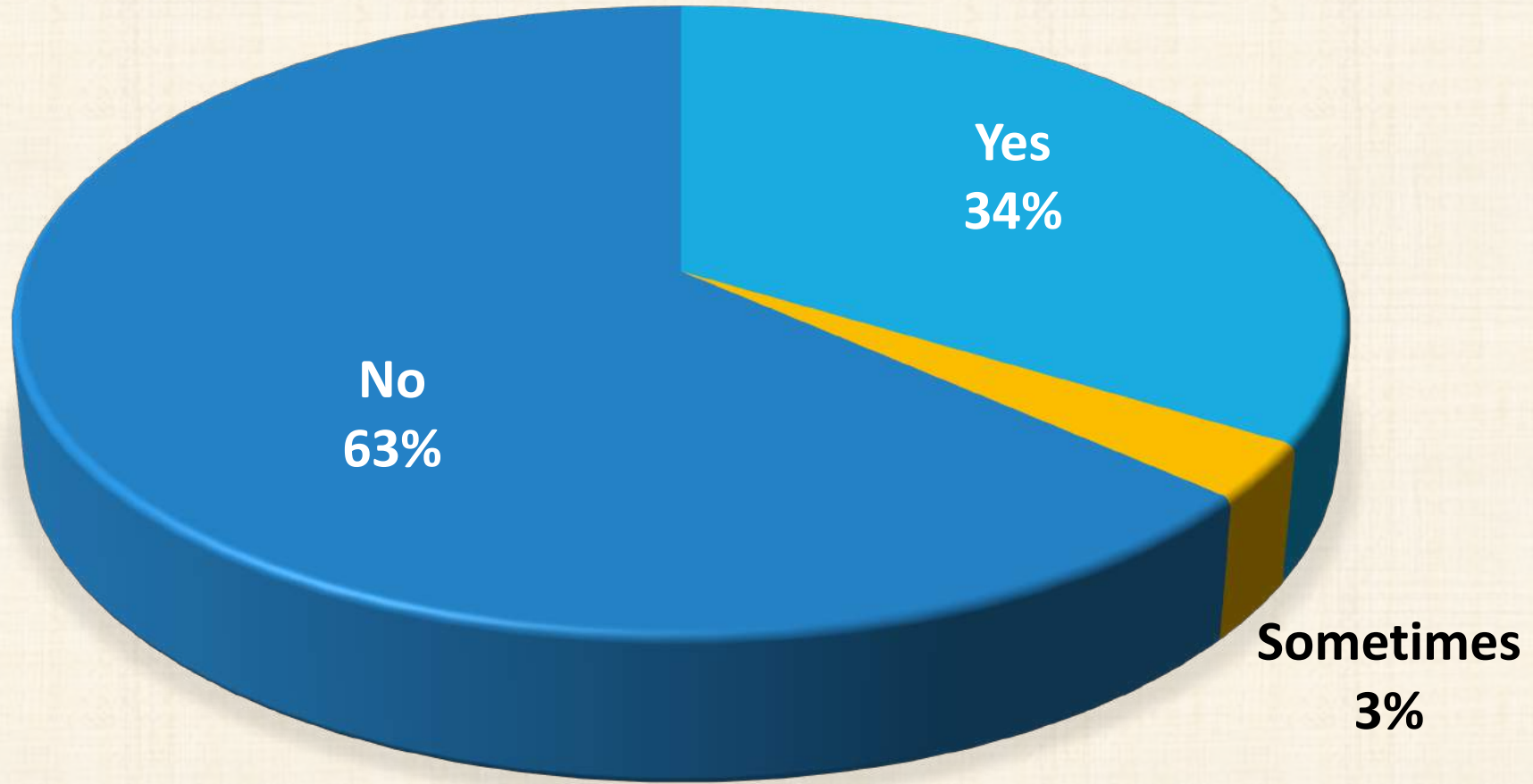
# Age group of respondents



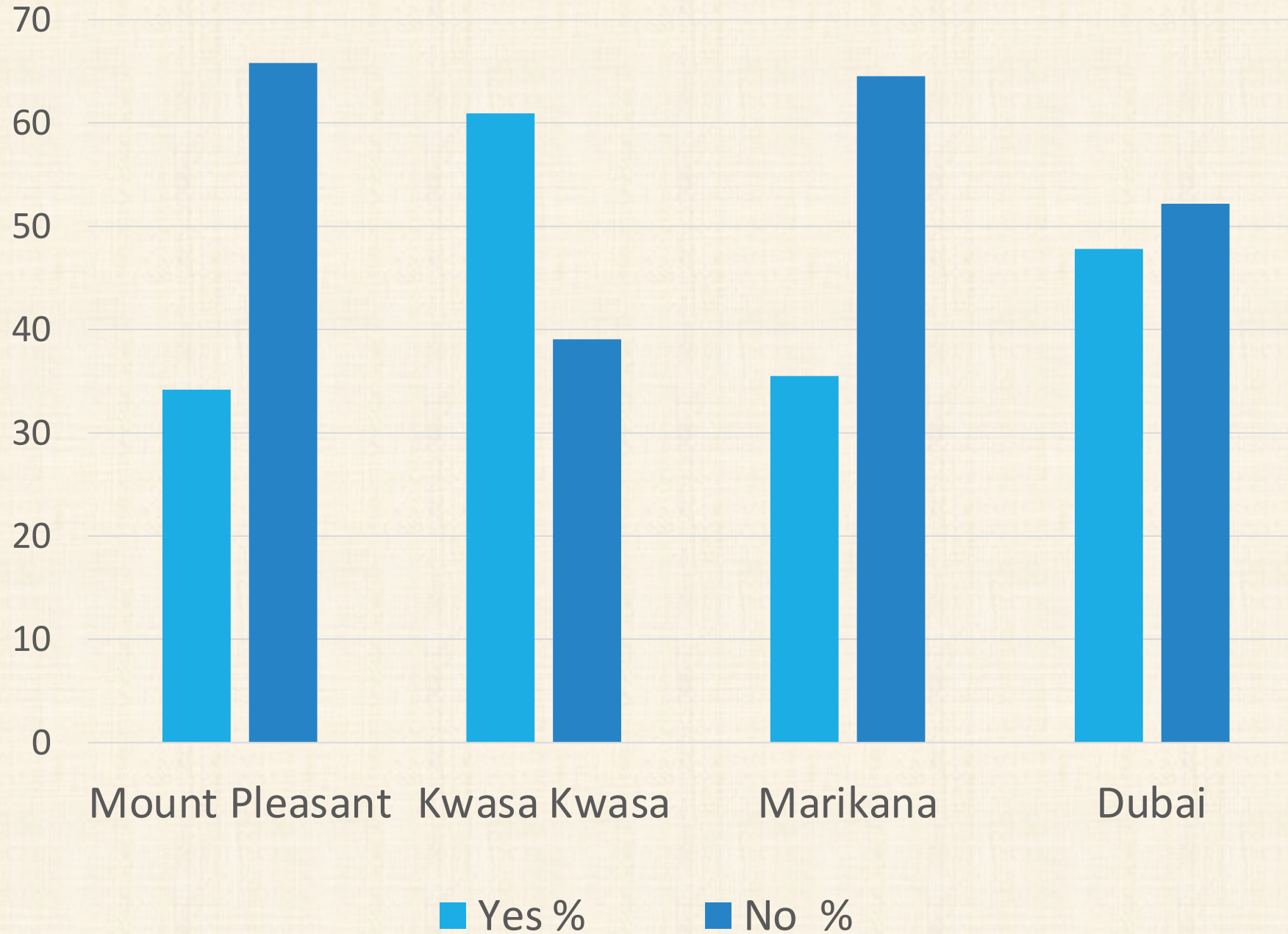
## Proportion of families with one or more children



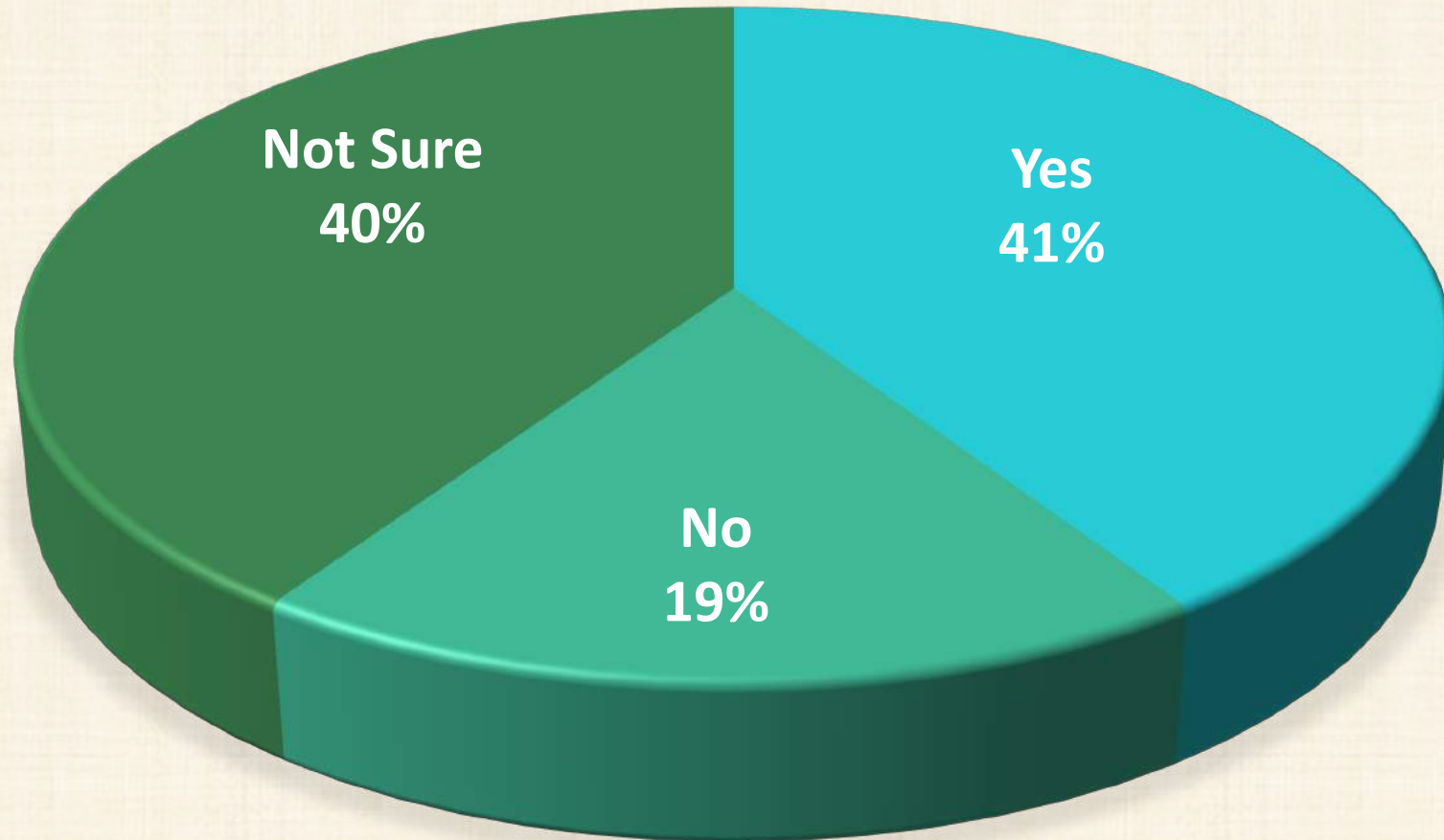
# Do you grow vegetables now?



## Do you grow vegetables now? (%)

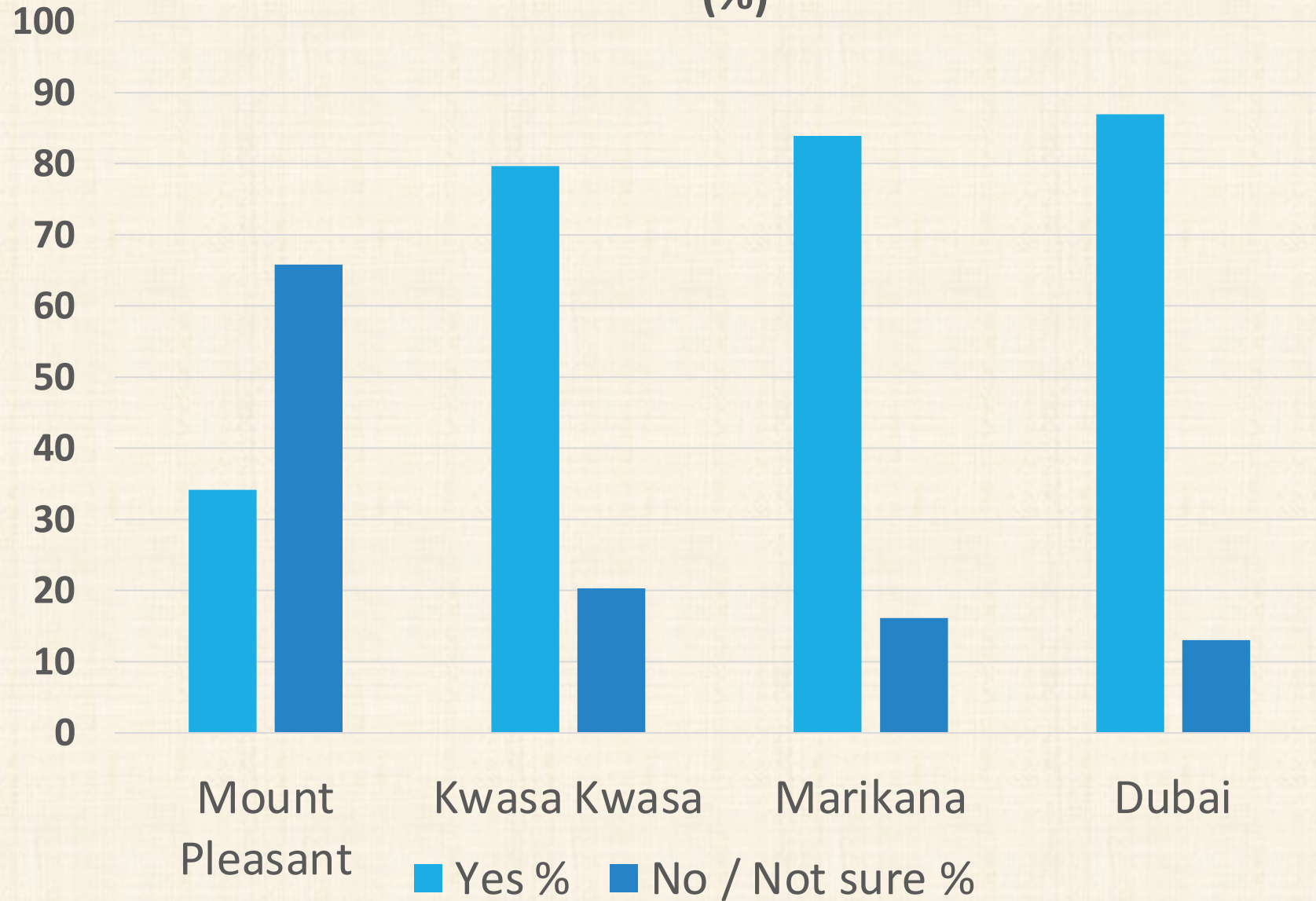


# Do you want to learn about growing vegetables?

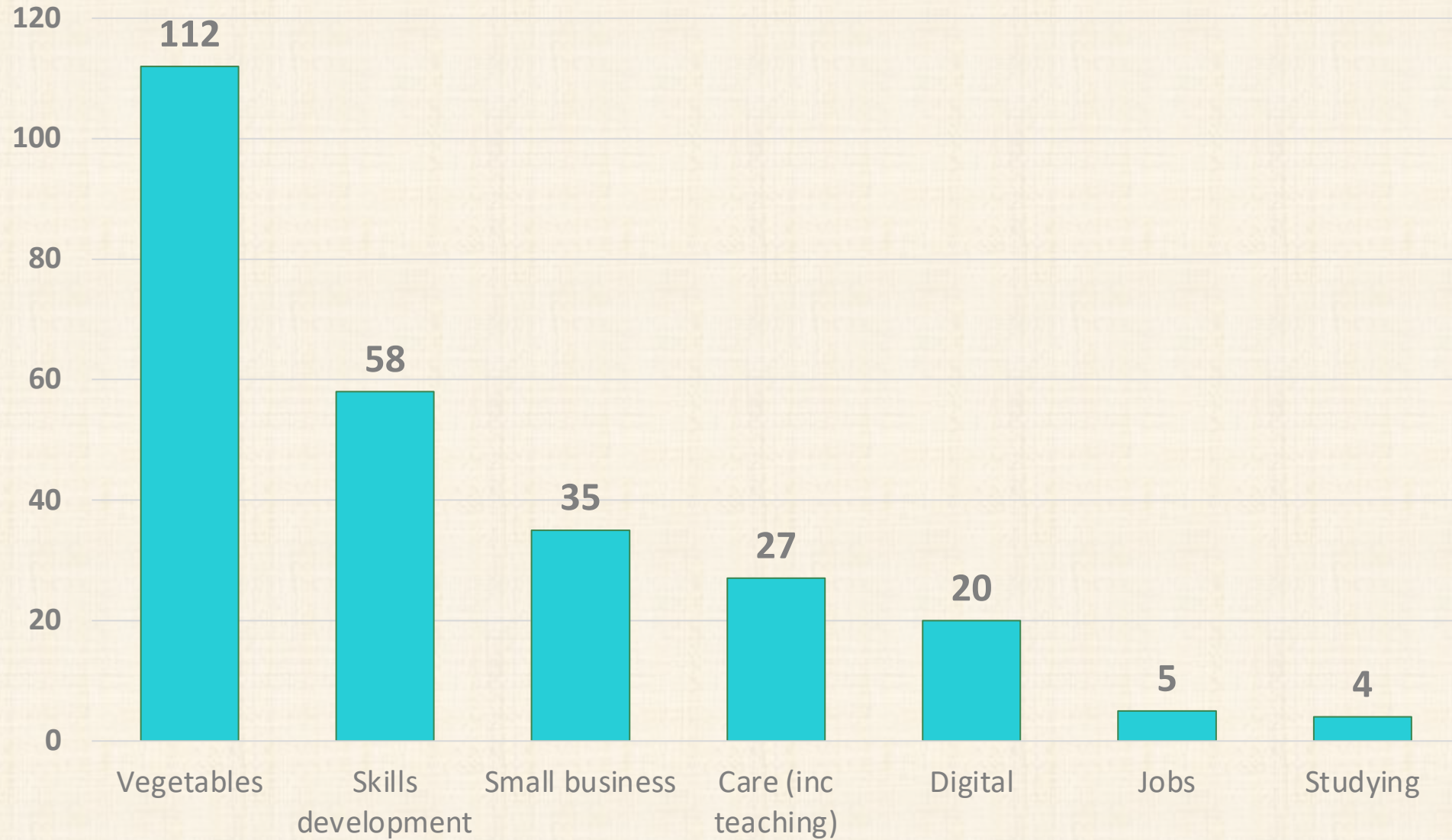




# Do you want to learn about growing vegetables? (%)



# What else do you want to learn?



# How accurate is this data?

- Total sample size **280** – implies **adequate** sample size
- Numbers stating they want to **learn about gardens** probably **slightly overestimates**, because respondents have already been asked about growing vegetables
- Similarly for **‘Other learning’**: the high number of responses favoring ‘vegetables’ (includes both growing and selling them) is also probably influenced by previous question about ‘learning about gardening’



# Takeaways from team discussion- 1

- If I had had more time, I would have surveyed more people
- People were very excited and happy to share
- People were curious
- People were expecting actual support with the growing of vegetables
- People love growing vegetables
- Most people want to grow veg but don't have space
- Discussion about whether only men garden
- Young mothers were awkward re the learning questions



# Takeaways from team discussion - 2

- Lots of questions
- Managing expectations – important to have answers to queries about survey
- People asked ‘what next? - what’s on offer?’
- Question from some respondents. “Is this because you’re no longer going to provide food?”
- Recommendations for next time :
  1. A pre-prepared ‘script’, used by all enumerators to explain the purpose of the survey, how the information will be used and who will use it. It would also address many of the questions from respondents
  2. In future, don’t do it in front of others (e.g. friends)



# The Food Survey Team



# Some pictures from the field

