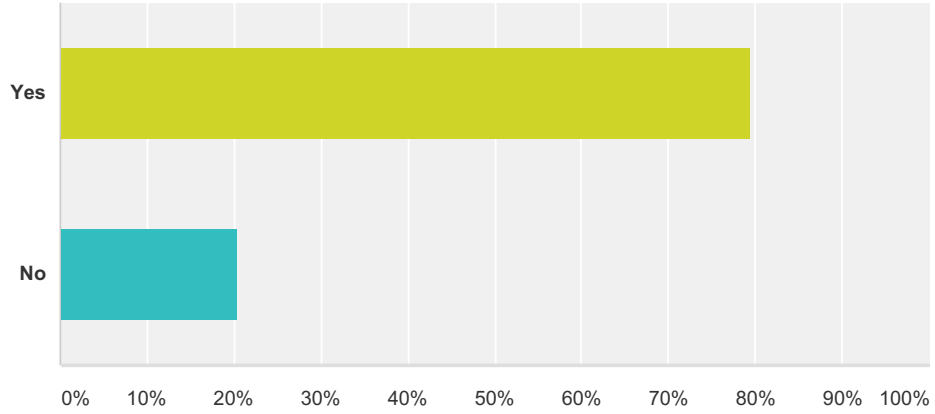


### Q1 Has your child ever been enrolled in a mainstream child care or kindergarten setting?

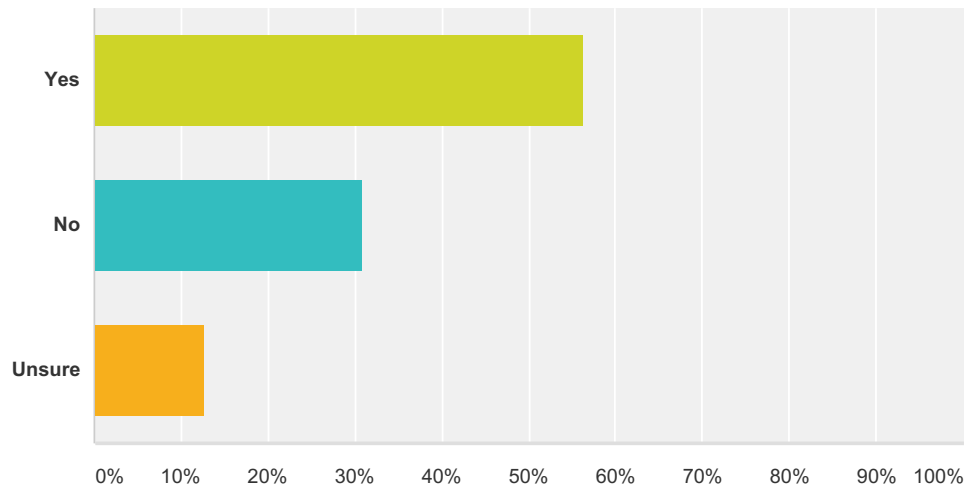
Answered: 108 Skipped: 0



Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Yes	79.63%	86
No	20.37%	22
<b>Total</b>		<b>108</b>

### Q2 Did your mainstream child care provider engage an Inclusion Support worker?

Answered: 71 Skipped: 37



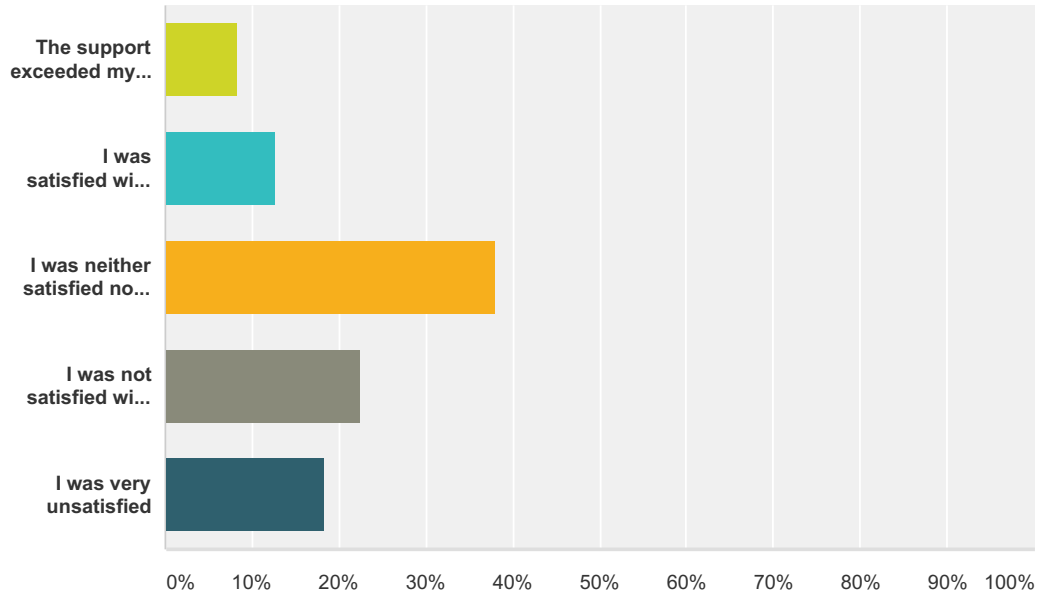
Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Yes	56.34%	40

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No	30.99%	22
Unsure	12.68%	9
<b>Total</b>		<b>71</b>

### Q3 What level of support did your child receive from the Inclusion Support worker?

Answered: 71 Skipped: 37

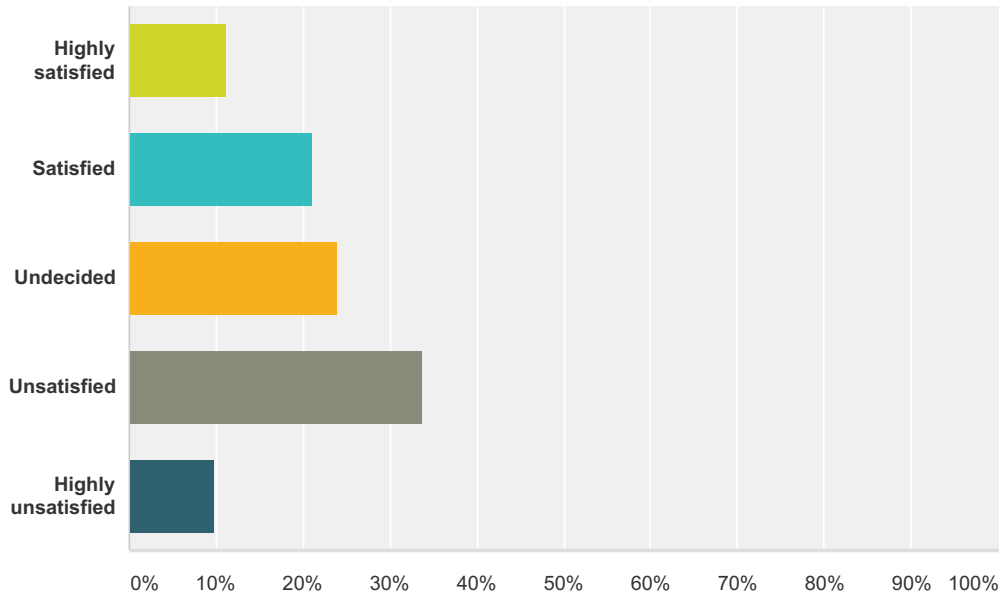


Answer Choices	Responses	Count
The support exceeded my expectations	8.45%	6
I was satisfied with the level of support	12.68%	9
I was neither satisfied nor unsatisfied	38.03%	27
I was not satisfied with the level of support	22.54%	16
I was very unsatisfied	18.31%	13
<b>Total</b>		<b>71</b>

### Q4 Rate your satisfaction with the level of knowledge your (mainstream) child care provider demonstrated about your child's diagnosis and needs.

Answered: 71 Skipped: 37

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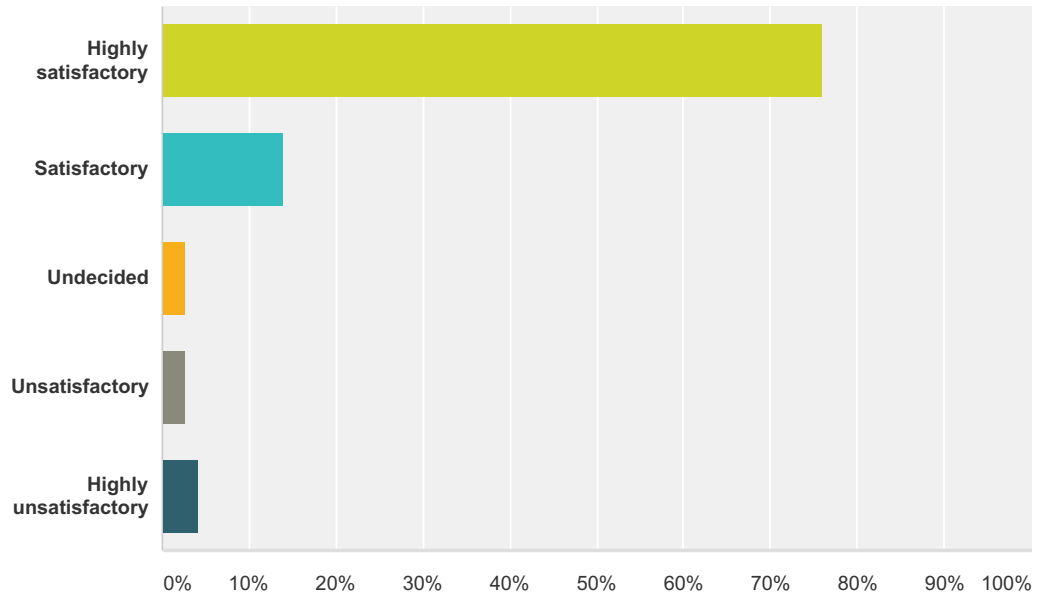


Answer Choices	Responses
Highly satisfied	11.27% 8
Satisfied	21.13% 15
Undecided	23.94% 17
Unsatisfied	33.80% 24
Highly unsatisfied	9.86% 7
<b>Total</b>	<b>71</b>

### Q5 Rate your satisfaction with the level of knowledge your autism-specific provider (i.e. AEIOU) demonstrated about your child's diagnosis and needs

Answered: 71 Skipped: 37

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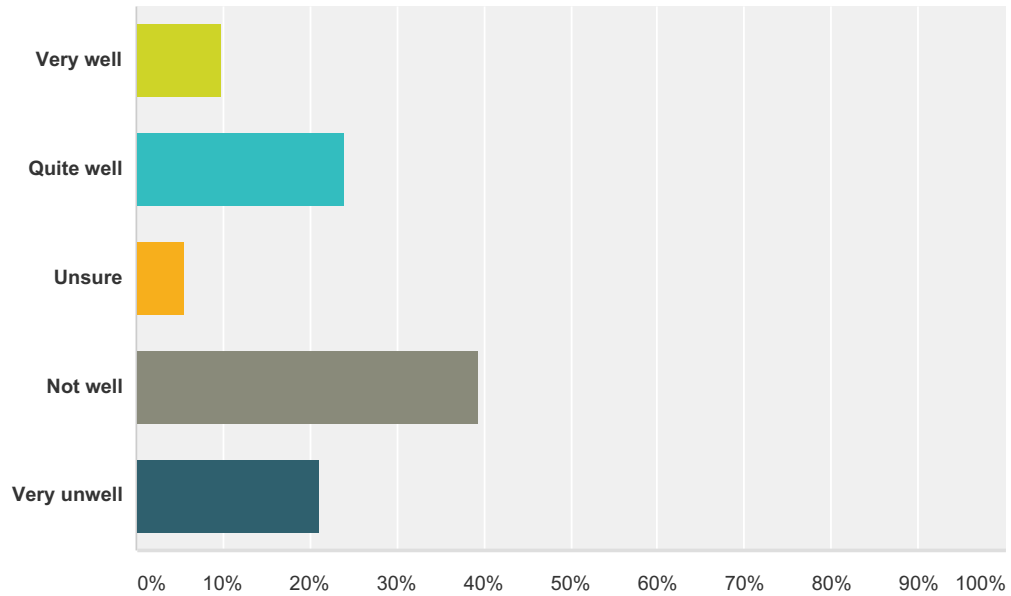


Answer Choices	Responses	
Highly satisfactory	76.06%	54
Satisfactory	14.08%	10
Undecided	2.82%	2
Unsatisfactory	2.82%	2
Highly unsatisfactory	4.23%	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>71</b>

### Q6 How did your child manage in a mainstream setting?

Answered: 71 Skipped: 37

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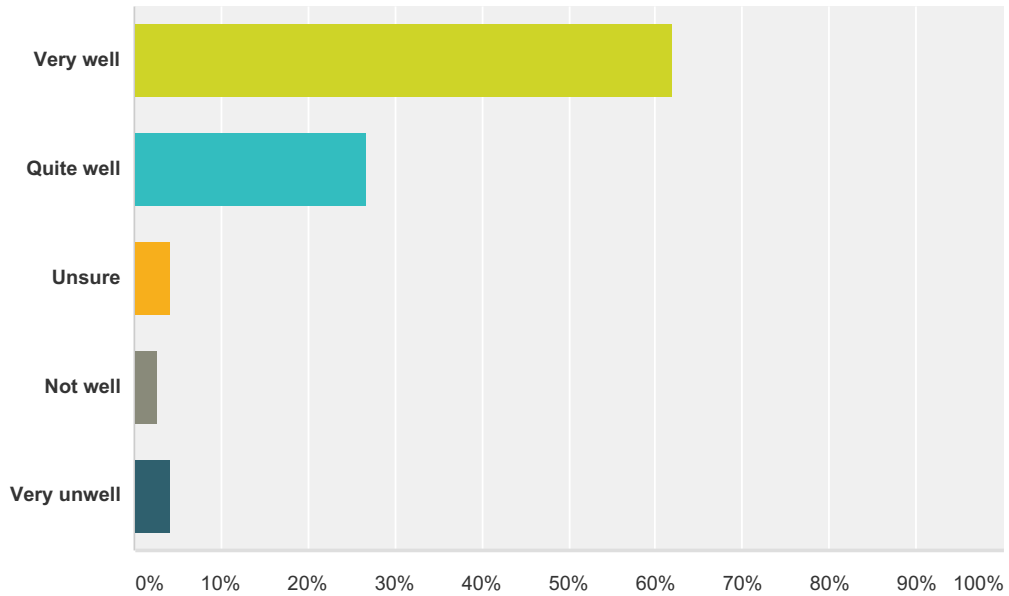


Answer Choices	Responses
Very well	9.86% 7
Quite well	23.94% 17
Unsure	5.63% 4
Not well	39.44% 28
Very unwell	21.13% 15
<b>Total</b>	<b>71</b>

### Q7 How did / does your child manage in an autism specific setting (i.e. AEIOU centre)?

Answered: 71 Skipped: 37

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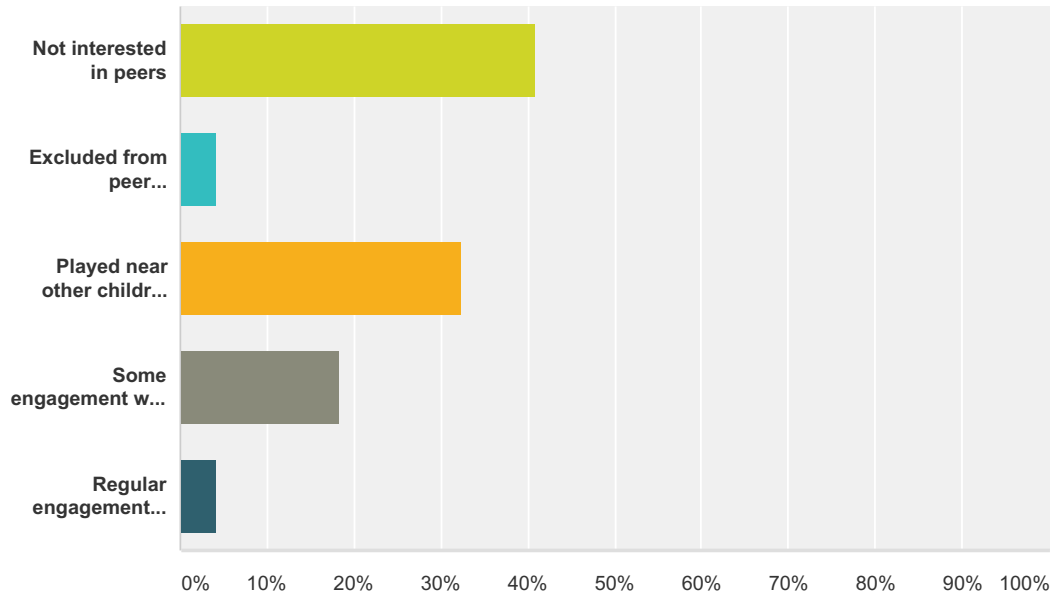


Answer Choices	Responses	
Very well	61.97%	44
Quite well	26.76%	19
Unsure	4.23%	3
Not well	2.82%	2
Very unwell	4.23%	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>71</b>

### Q8 In a mainstream child care setting, please rate your child's ability to engage with his or her peers

Answered: 71 Skipped: 37

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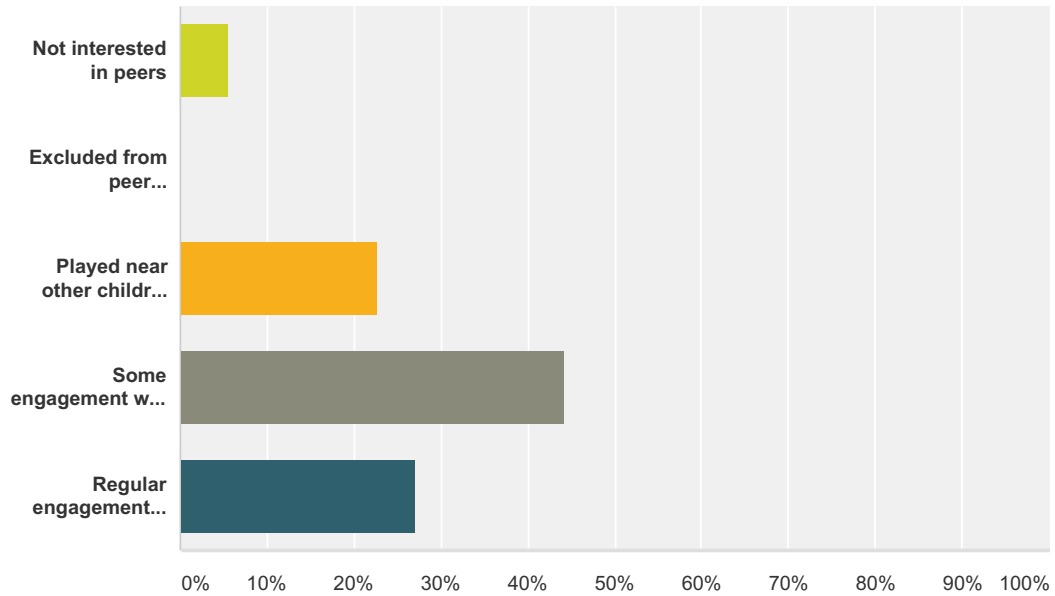


Answer Choices	Responses
Not interested in peers	40.85% 29
Excluded from peer interactions	4.23% 3
Played near other children but did not engage	32.39% 23
Some engagement with other children	18.31% 13
Regular engagement (e.g., to and fro interactions) with peers	4.23% 3
<b>Total</b>	<b>71</b>

### Q9 In an autism-specific setting (i.e. AEIOU) please rate your child's ability to engage with his or her peers

Answered: 70 Skipped: 38

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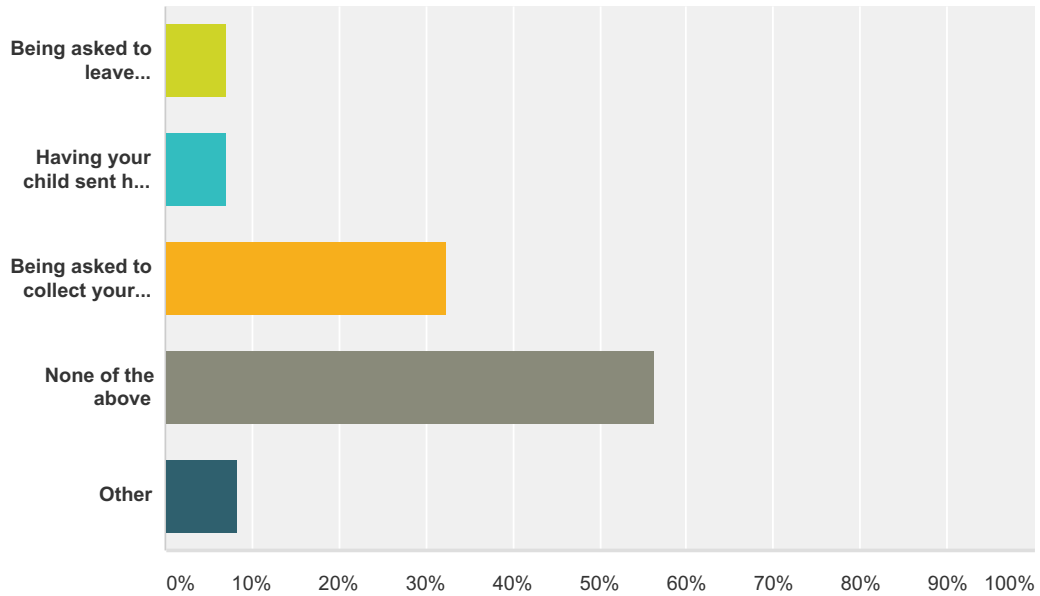
Answer Choices	Responses
Not interested in peers	5.71% 4
Excluded from peer interactions	0.00% 0
Played near other children but did not engage	22.86% 16
Some engagement with other children	44.29% 31
Regular engagement (e.g., to and fro interactions) with peers	27.14% 19
<b>Total</b>	<b>70</b>

### Q10 Did you ever experience any of the following with your child in a mainstream setting?

Answered: 71 Skipped: 37



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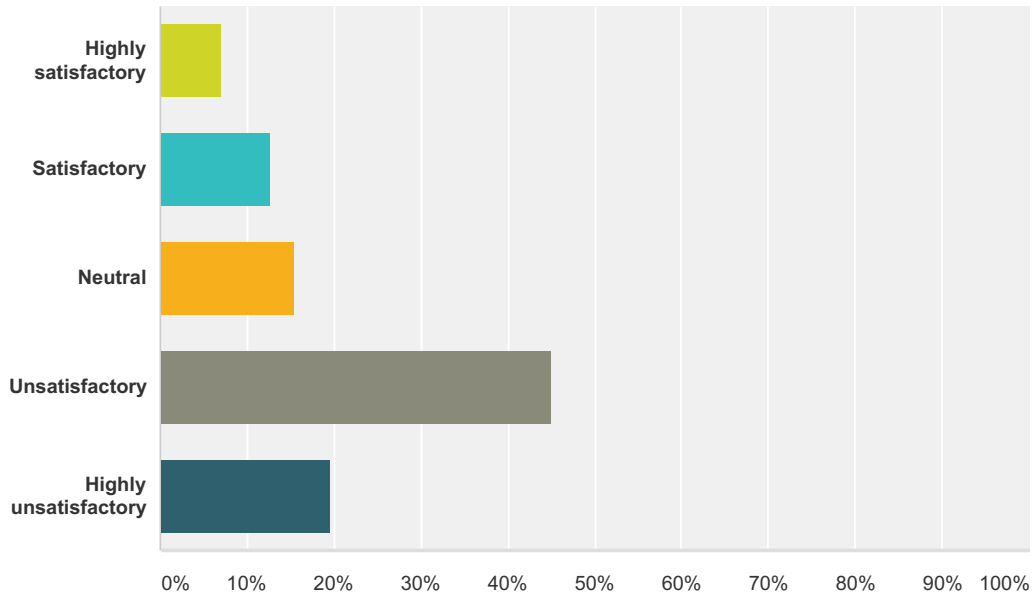


Answer Choices	Responses
Being asked to leave mainstream setting	7.04% 5
Having your child sent home for a day (or more)	7.04% 5
Being asked to collect your child from the centre early	32.39% 23
None of the above	56.34% 40
Other	8.45% 6
<b>Total Respondents: 71</b>	

### Q11 How would you rate a mainstream child care centre's ability to support a young child with autism?

Answered: 71 Skipped: 37

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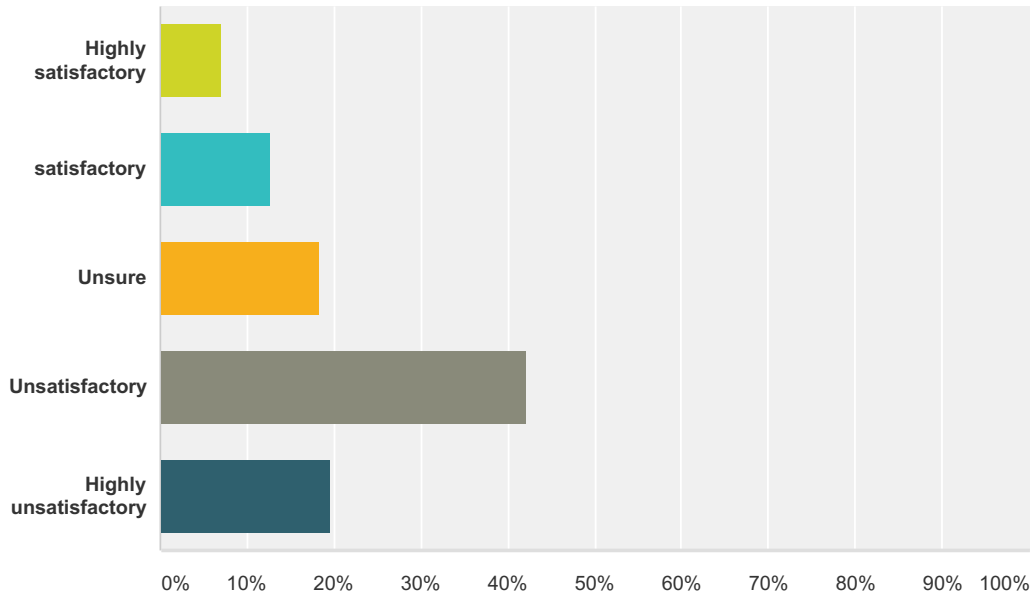


Answer Choices	Responses	
Highly satisfactory	7.04%	5
Satisfactory	12.68%	9
Neutral	15.49%	11
Unsatisfactory	45.07%	32
Highly unsatisfactory	19.72%	14
<b>Total</b>		<b>71</b>

### Q12 How would you rate your child's ability to learn new skills, or academically, in a mainstream child care setting?

Answered: 71 Skipped: 37

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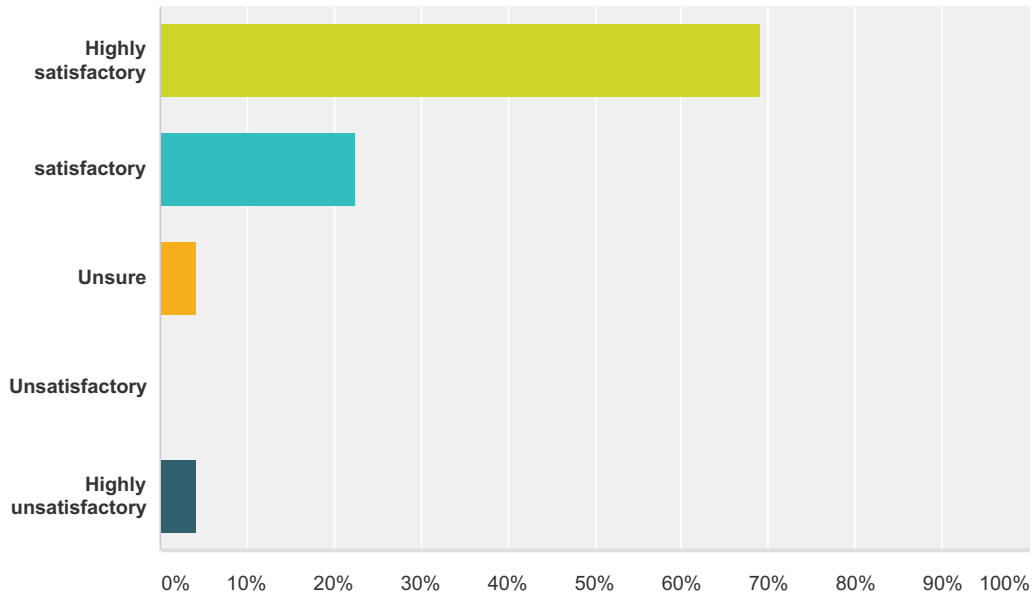


Answer Choices	Responses	
Highly satisfactory	7.04%	5
satisfactory	12.68%	9
Unsure	18.31%	13
Unsatisfactory	42.25%	30
Highly unsatisfactory	19.72%	14
<b>Total</b>		<b>71</b>

### Q13 How would you rate your child's ability to learn new skills, or academically in an autism-specific environment (i.e. AEIOU centre)

Answered: 71 Skipped: 37

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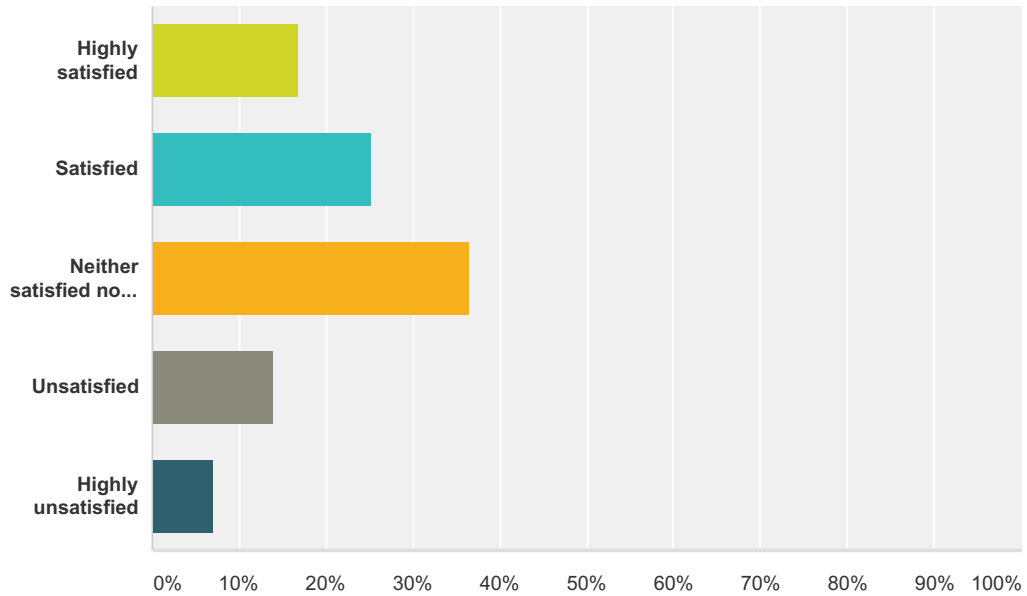


Answer Choices	Responses	
Highly satisfactory	69.01%	49
satisfactory	22.54%	16
Unsure	4.23%	3
Unsatisfactory	0.00%	0
Highly unsatisfactory	4.23%	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>71</b>

### Q14 How satisfied were you with your experience when enrolling your child with autism in a mainstream setting?

Answered: 71 Skipped: 37

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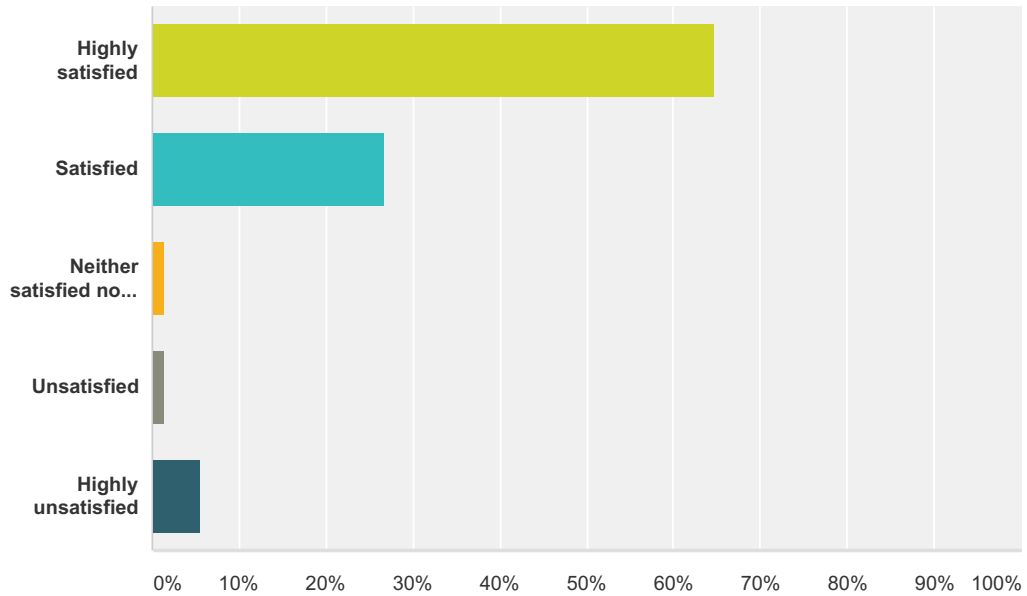


Answer Choices	Responses	
Highly satisfied	16.90%	12
Satisfied	25.35%	18
Neither satisfied nor unsatisfied	36.62%	26
Unsatisfied	14.08%	10
Highly unsatisfied	7.04%	5
<b>Total</b>		<b>71</b>

### Q15 How satisfied were you with your experience in enrolling your child at an autism-specific program (i.e. AEIOU)?

Answered: 71 Skipped: 37

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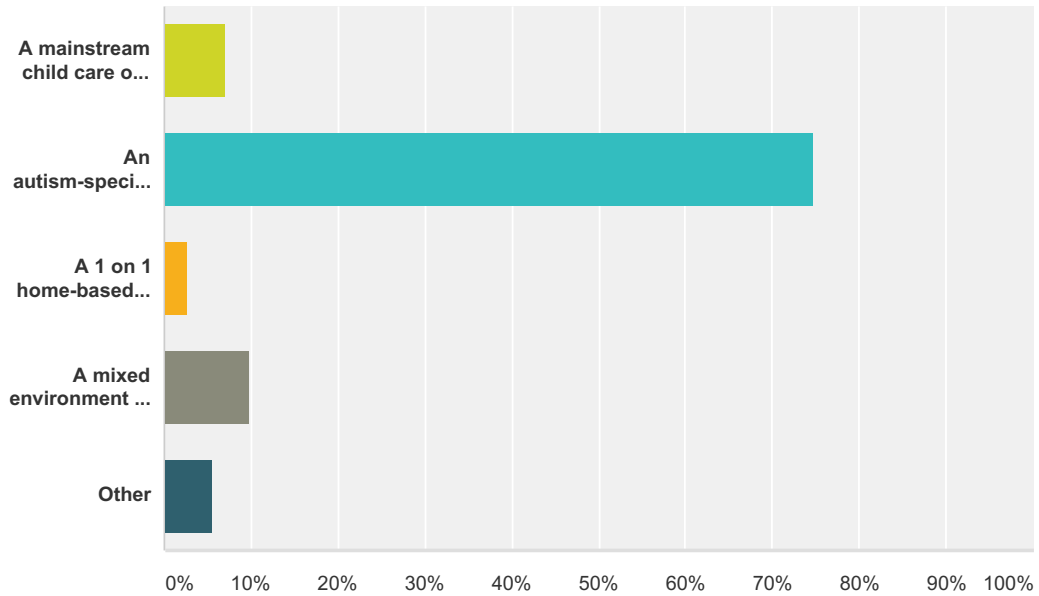


Answer Choices	Responses
Highly satisfied	64.79% 46
Satisfied	26.76% 19
Neither satisfied nor unsatisfied	1.41% 1
Unsatisfied	1.41% 1
Highly unsatisfied	5.63% 4
<b>Total</b>	<b>71</b>

**Q16 Given the choice, your experience, and if possible financially, which of the following programs would you prefer your child to participate in?**

Answered: 71 Skipped: 37

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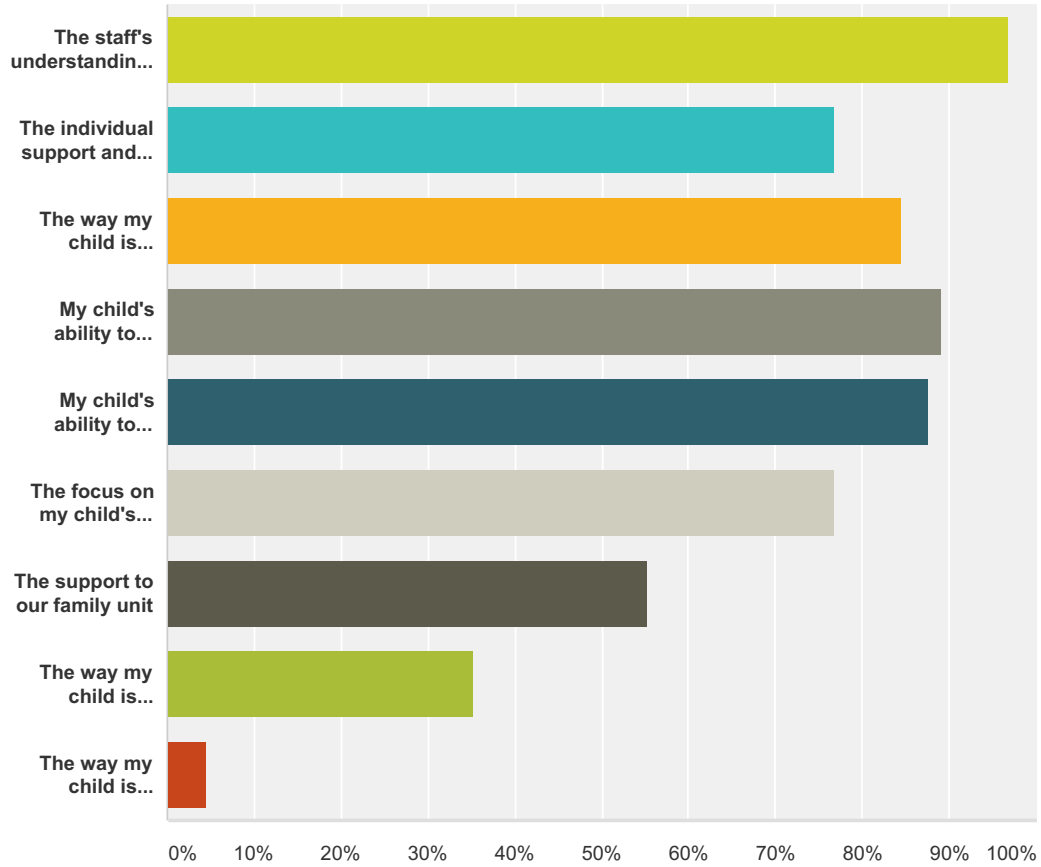


Answer Choices	Responses
A mainstream child care or early education environment	7.04% 5
An autism-specific environment (i.e. AEIOU centre)	74.65% 53
A 1 on 1 home-based program	2.82% 2
A mixed environment for children with a range of disabilities, such as an ECDP	9.86% 7
Other	5.63% 4
<b>Total</b>	<b>71</b>

**Q17 If you have found benefits of enrolling in an autism-specific program, please share what you think may have led to these benefits? (You can choose more than one answer, or you may skip this question).**

Answered: 65 Skipped: 43

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Answer Choices	Responses
The staff's understanding of my child's needs	96.92% 63
The individual support and skill development	76.92% 50
The way my child is supported to engage and attend to tasks	84.62% 55
My child's ability to learn new skills (i.e. self help with toilet training and hand washing)	89.23% 58
My child's ability to learn new communication skills	87.69% 57
The focus on my child's abilities	76.92% 50
The support to our family unit	55.38% 36
The way my child is supported to transition to mainstream school (if applicable)	35.38% 23
The way my child is supported to transition to a special school environment (if applicable)	4.62% 3
<b>Total Respondents: 65</b>	

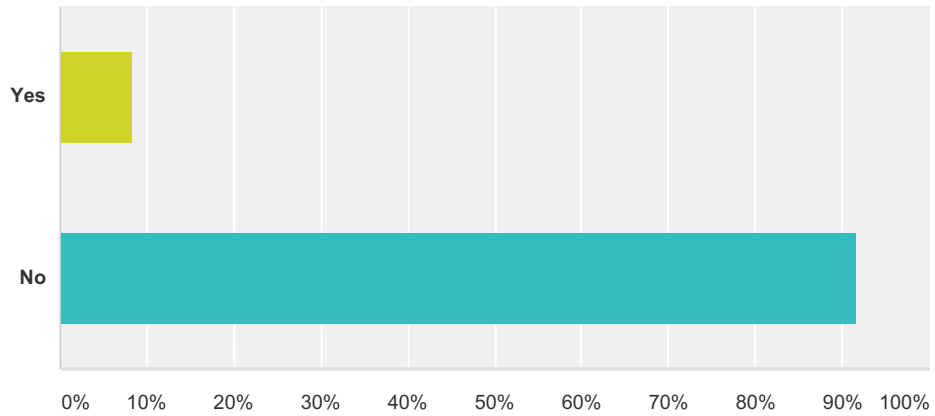
**Q18 The Productivity Commission seeks additional funding for mainstream providers of early childcare and education, but does not recommend supporting specialised programs for children with specific disorders or disabilities. Do you agree with**



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**this philosophy?**

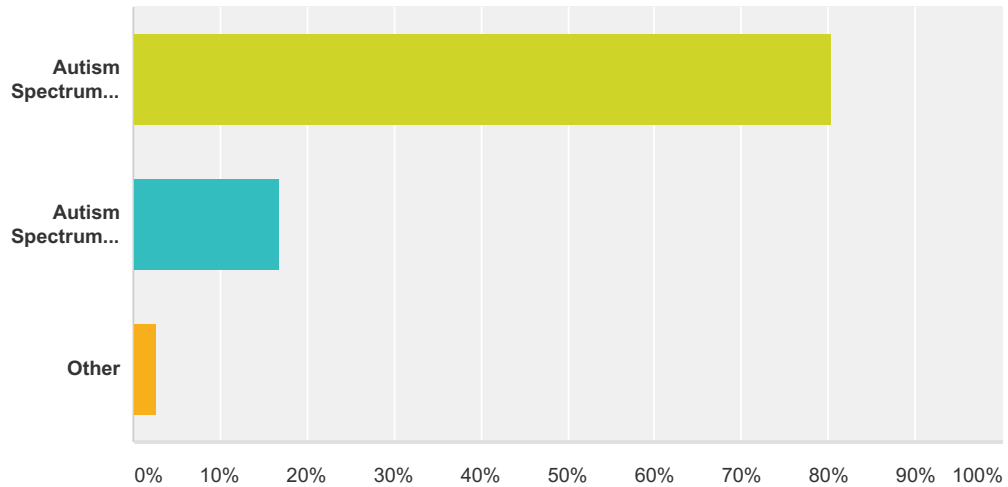
Answered: 71 Skipped: 37



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	8.45% 6
No	91.55% 65
<b>Total</b>	<b>71</b>

**Q19 Please tell us about your child's diagnosis**

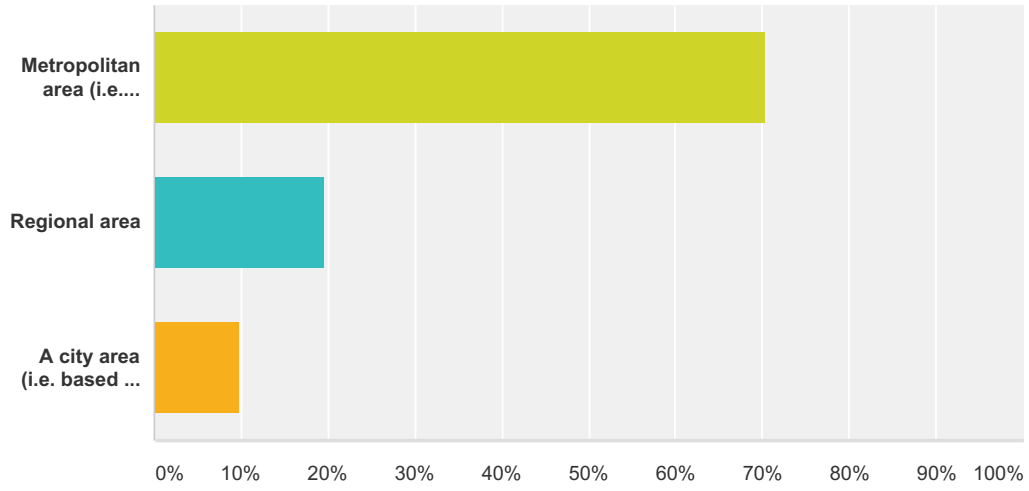
Answered: 71 Skipped: 37



Answer Choices	Responses
Autism Spectrum Disorder only (i.e. Autistic Disorder, autism, Asperger Disorder, Autistic Spectrum Disorder, PDD-NOS)	80.28% 57
Autism Spectrum Disorder with another condition (i.e. epilepsy or an intellectual impairment)	16.90% 12
Other	2.82% 2
<b>Total</b>	<b>71</b>

### Q20 Where do you live?

Answered: 71 Skipped: 37



Answer Choices	Responses
Metropolitan area (i.e. Brisbane capital city)	70.42% 50
Regional area	19.72% 14
A city area (i.e. based on population more than 200,000 citizens)	9.86% 7
<b>Total</b>	<b>71</b>