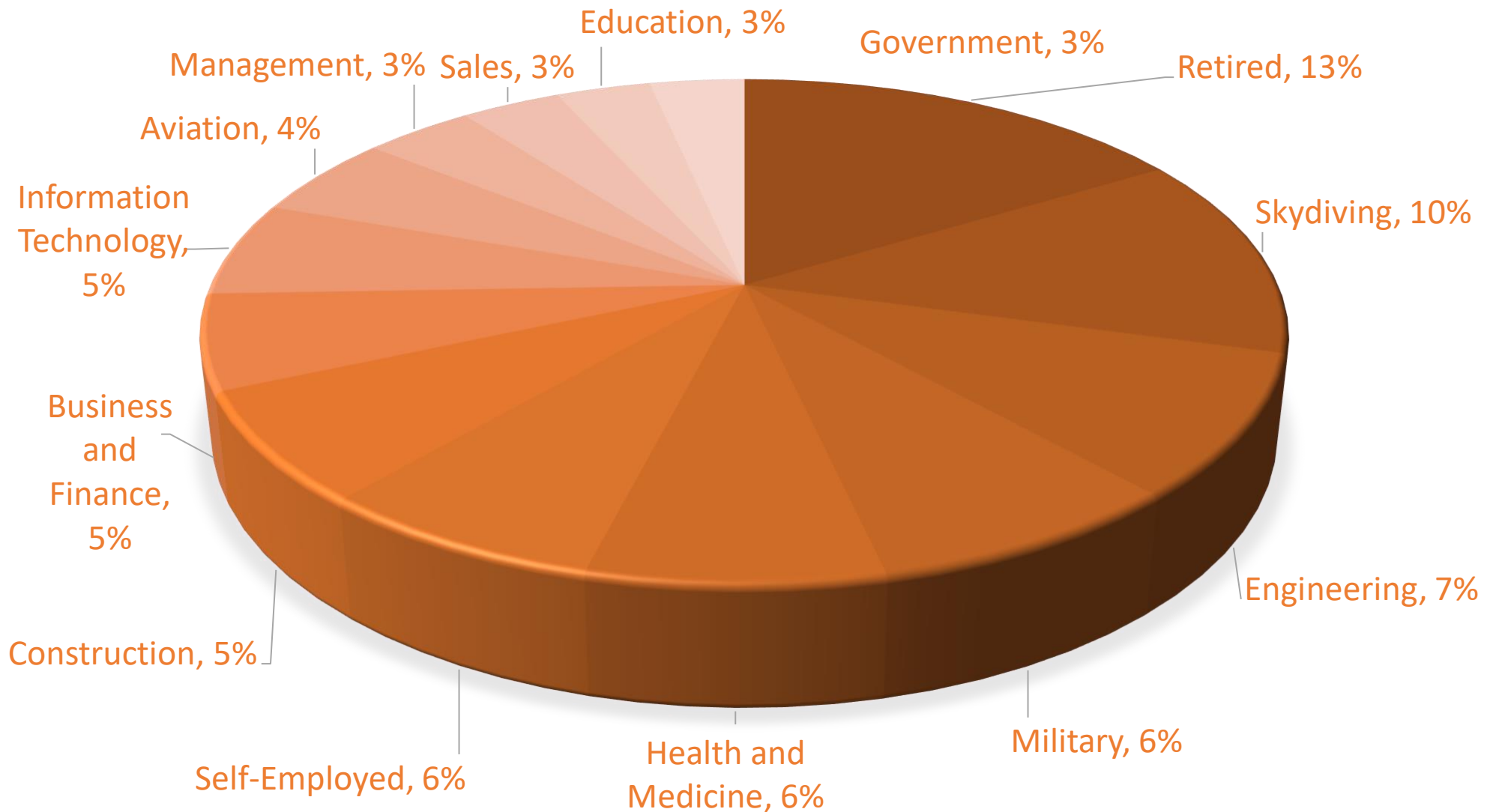




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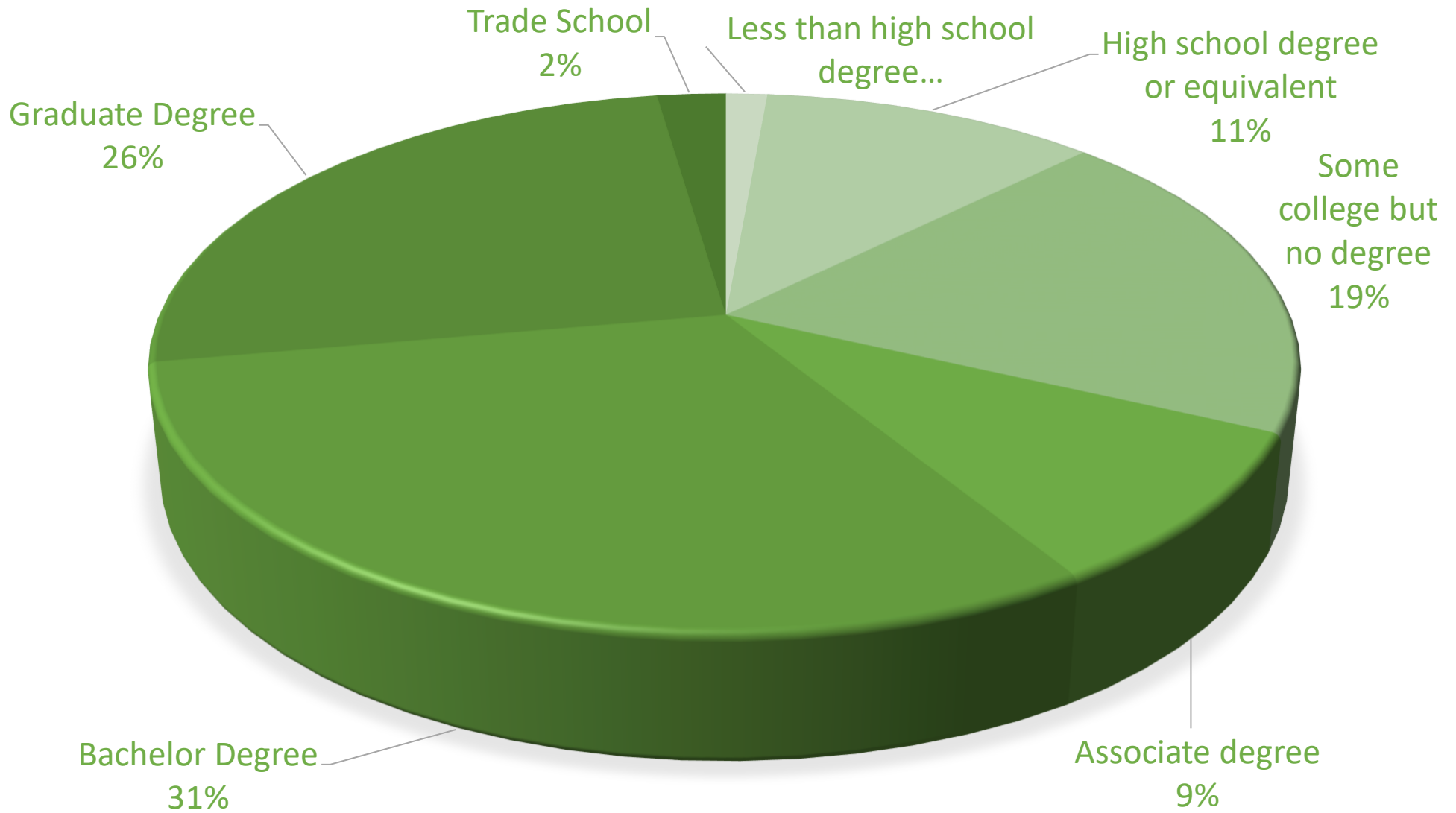
Q1: Which of the following best describes your current occupation?

USPA members are diverse in the workforce. 10% of our members work in the sport of skydiving! Careers in military (6%), health and medicine (6%), and engineering (7%) are especially prominent, with self-employed members at 6%. Retirees account for 13% of the membership (up from 11% in 2022).



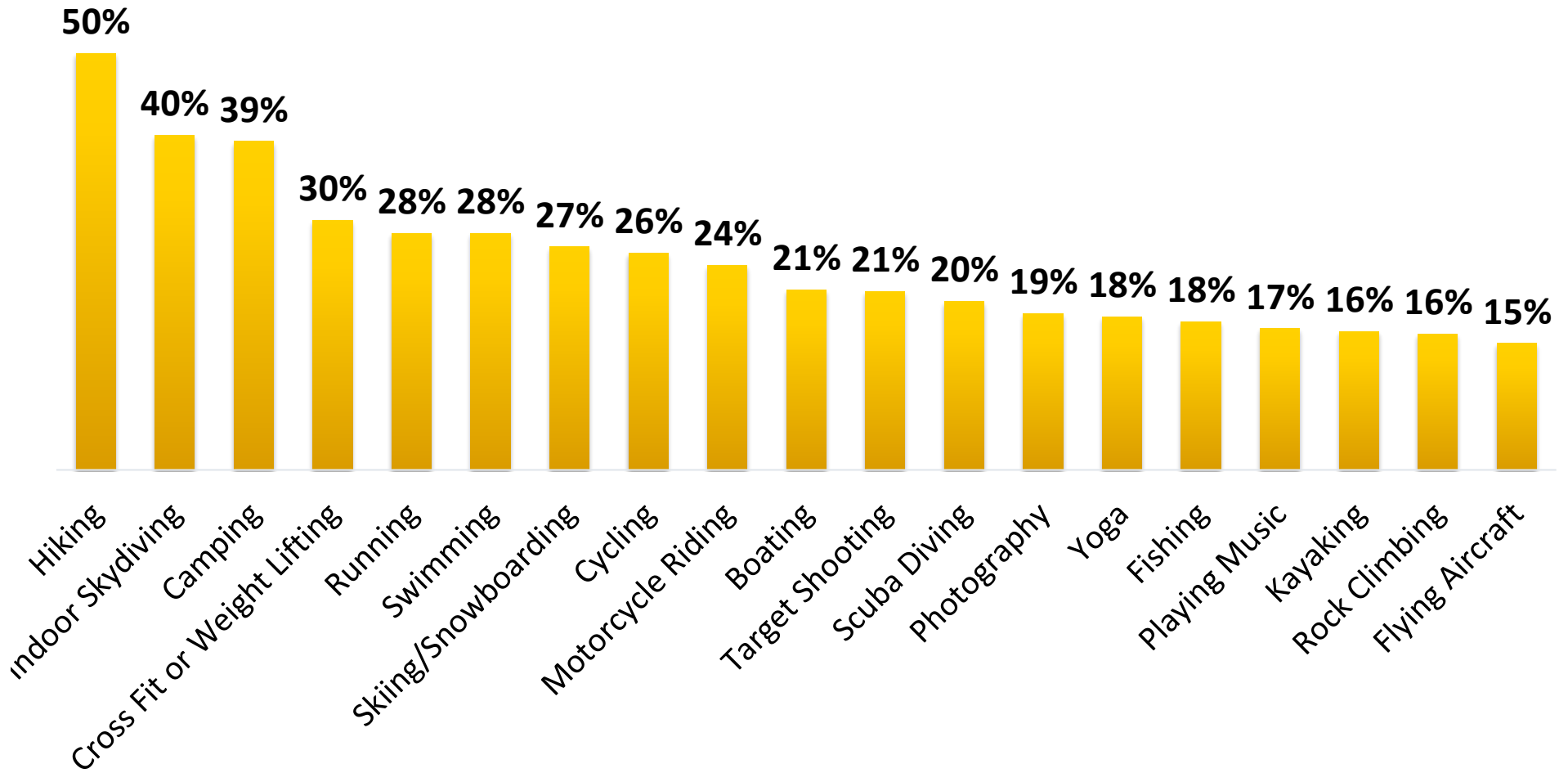
Q2: What is the highest level of education you have completed?

The USPA Member is educated. 57% have a Bachelor or Graduate degree.



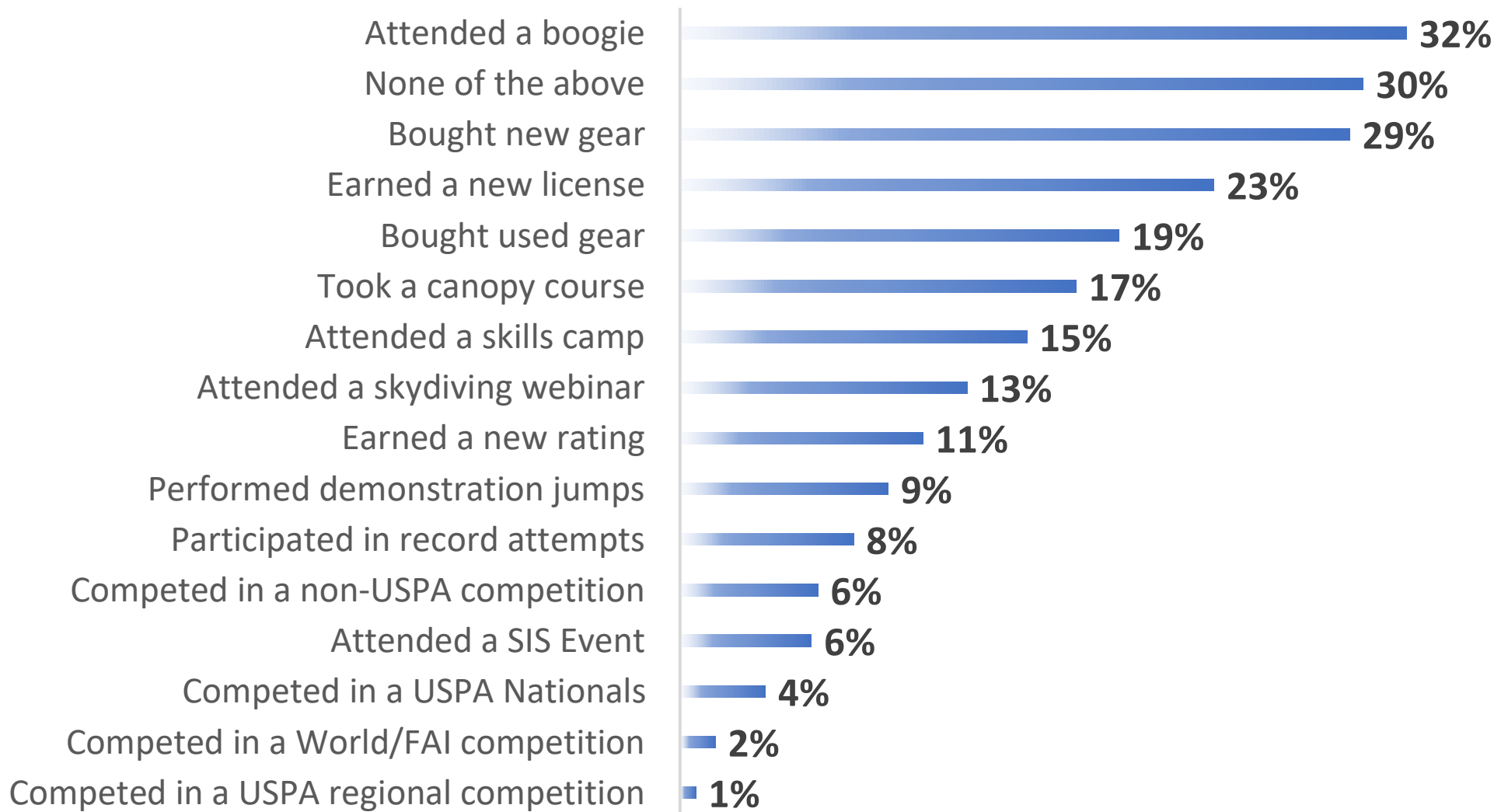
Q3: In 2023, what other activities (besides skydiving) did you participate in? (Select all that apply)

USPA members are exceptionally active across various other sports. This chart shows that skydivers are likely to also participate in hiking, indoor skydiving and camping. Other popular activities include running, cycling, cross-fit/weightlifting and swimming.



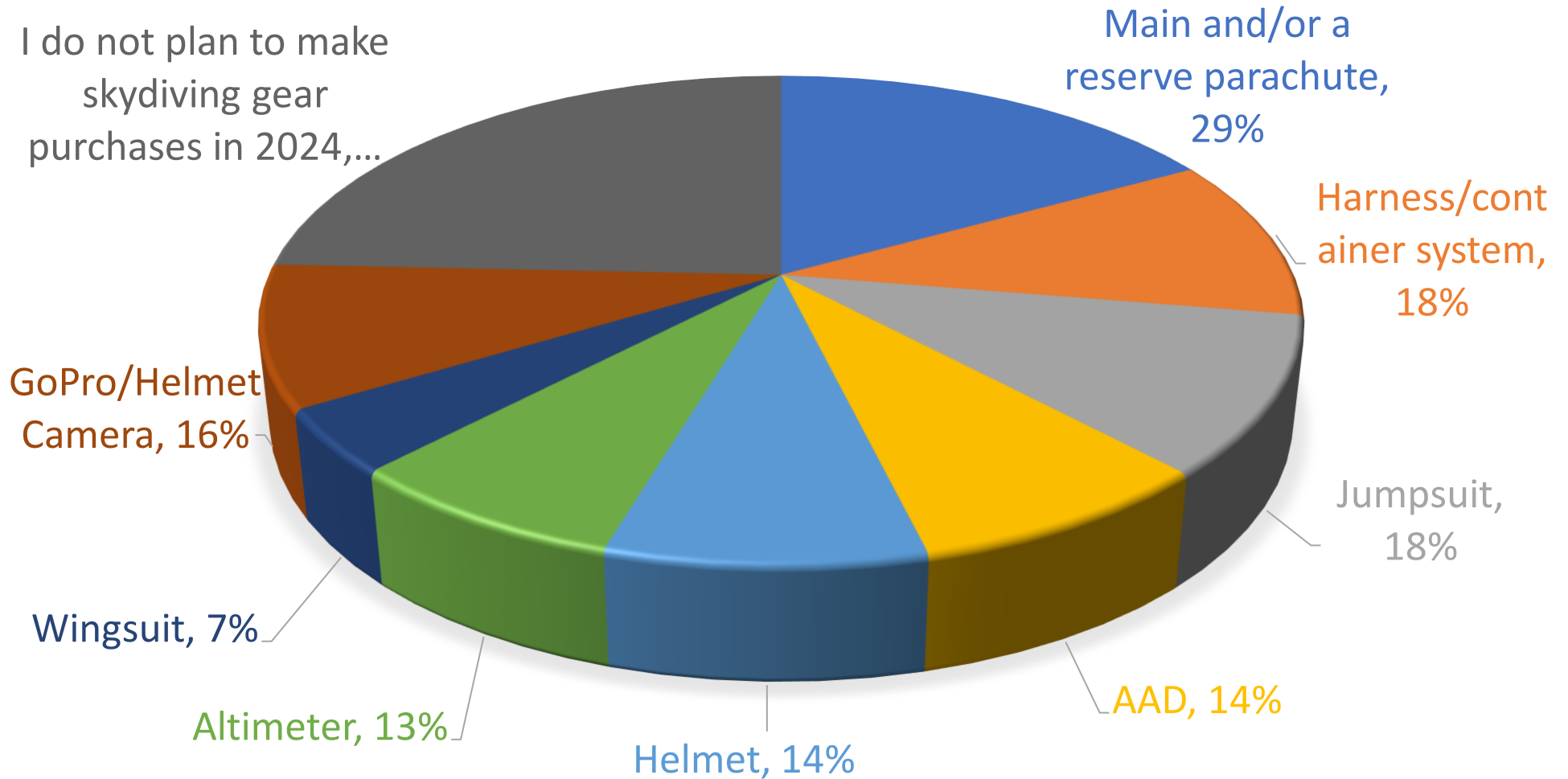
Q4: This year I

In 2023 USPA Members were active in the sport of skydiving! 32% attended a boogie, 29% bought new gear, and 23% of members earned a new license. Only 17% attended a canopy course.



Q5: In 2024 I plan to purchase (check all that apply)

USPA members plan purchases in 2024 with 29% purchasing a main and/or reserve and 18% planning to purchase a harness or container system.



Q6: How many skydives do you have? Please include all instructional jumps (whole numbers only)

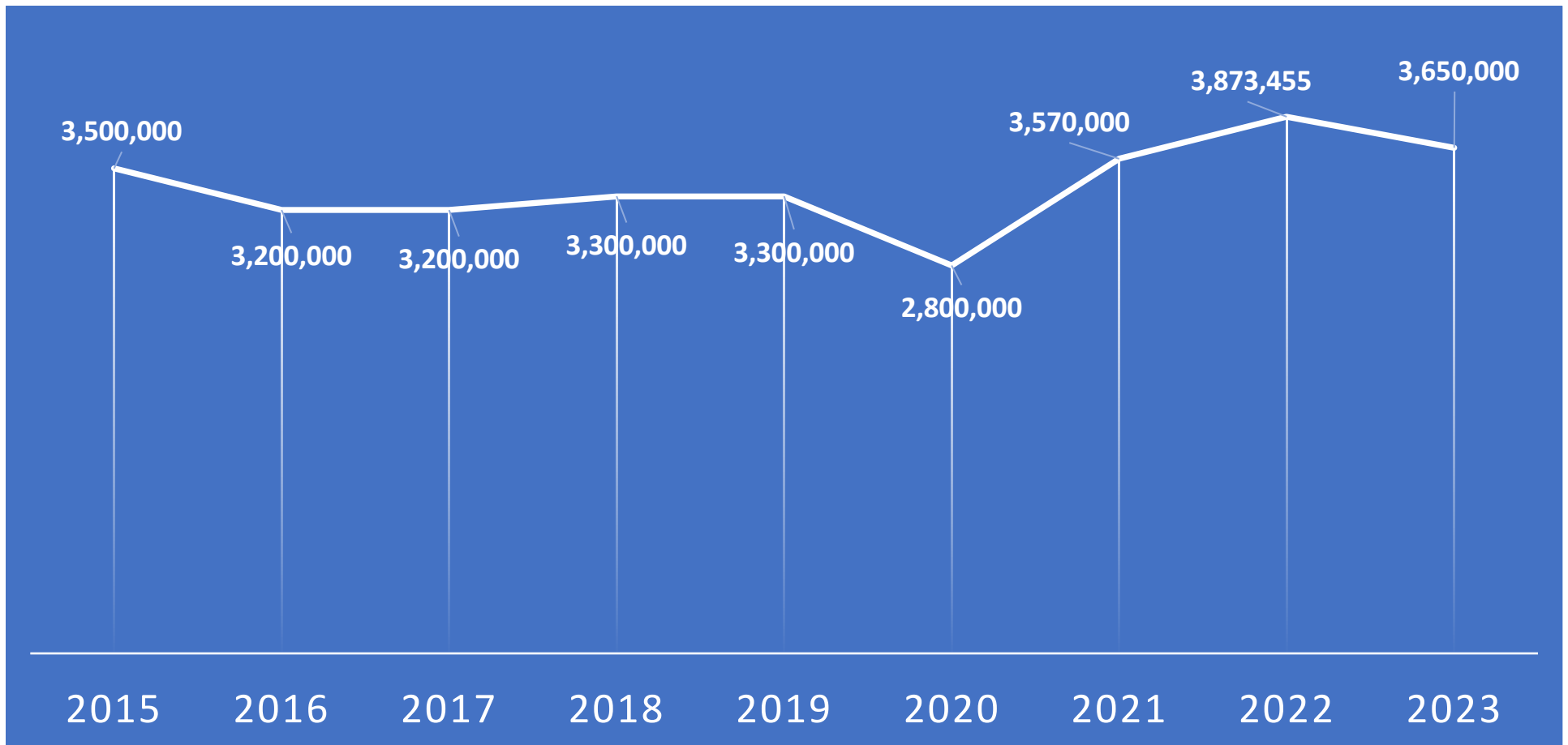
USPA Member Average # of Skydives: **2,008**

USPA Member Median # of Skydives: **550**



Q7: In 2023, how many skydives did you make? Please include all instructional jumps (whole numbers only)

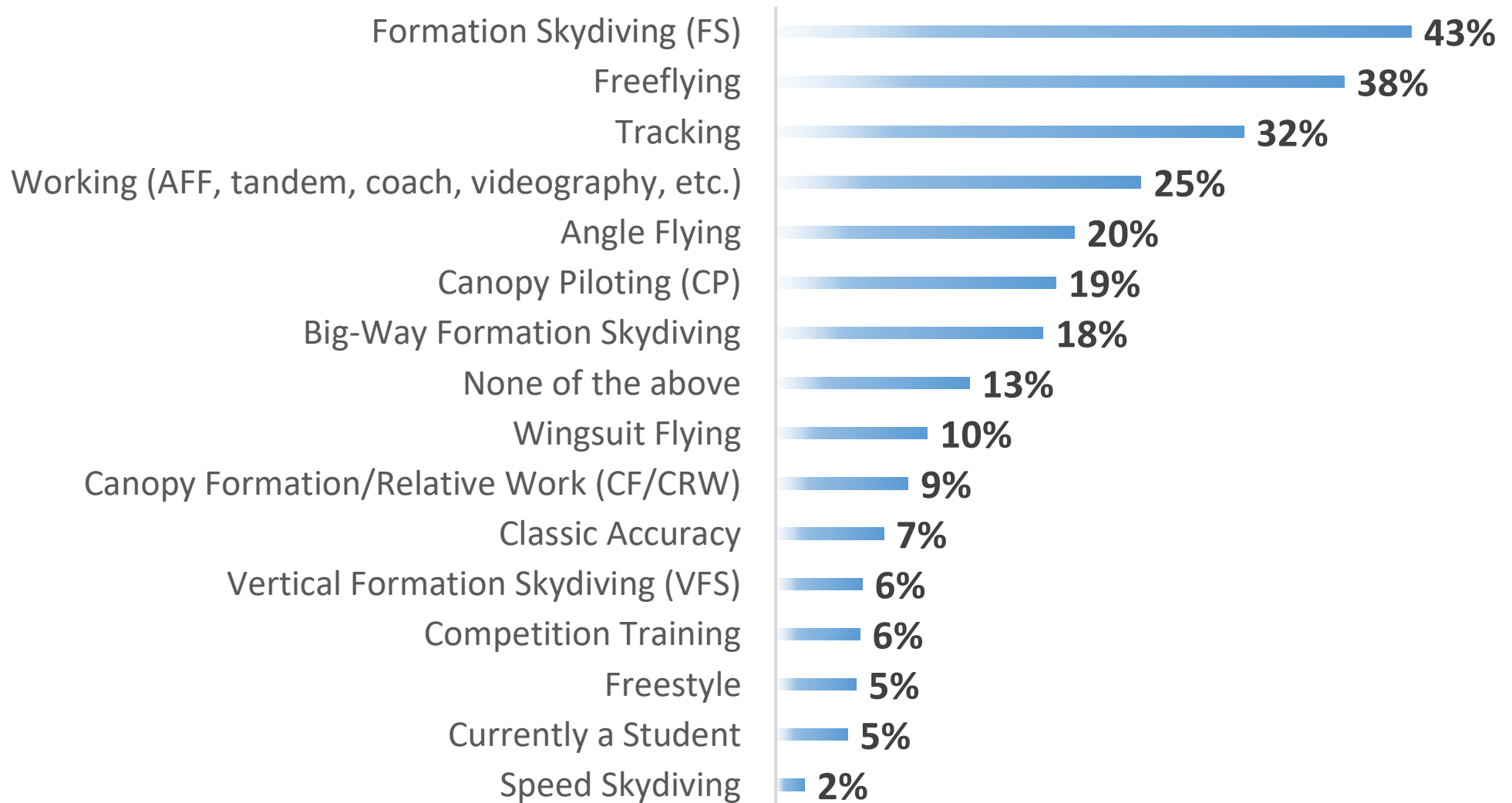
USPA Members made slightly fewer jumps in the U.S. in 2023 than in 2022 with an estimated 3,650,000 skydives made.



This data is found by taking total number of jumps reported in the survey, multiplied by average number of members for the year, then subtracting 25% to exclude jumps made by foreign members.

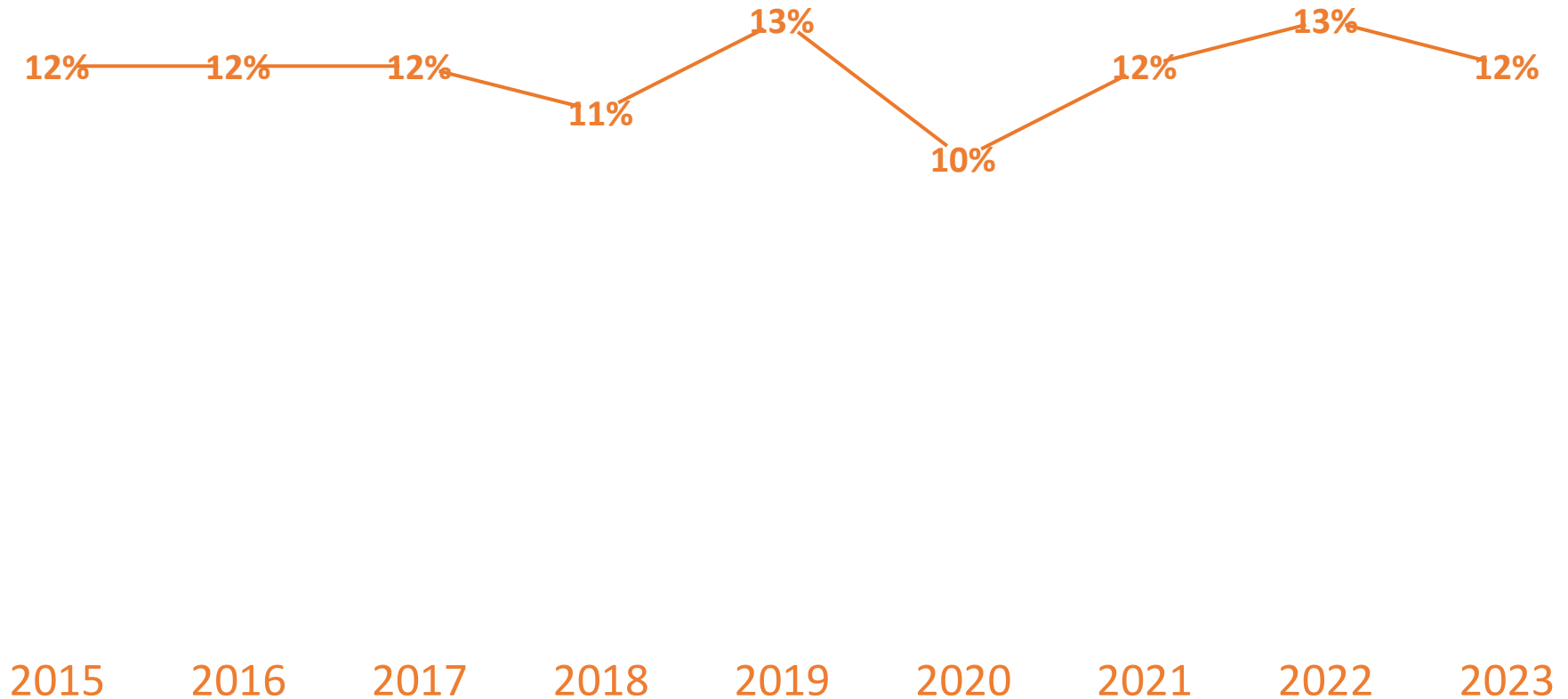
Q8: In which disciplines do you participate? (Check all that apply)

Members were asked to select ALL disciplines in which they most often participate. Unsurprisingly, almost half of our members participate in Formation Skydiving (43%). The next most popular was Freeflying (38%), Tracking (32%), Working Jumps (25%), and Angle Flying (20%).



**Q9: In 2023, how many malfunctions did you experience that required the use of a reserve?
(whole numbers only)**

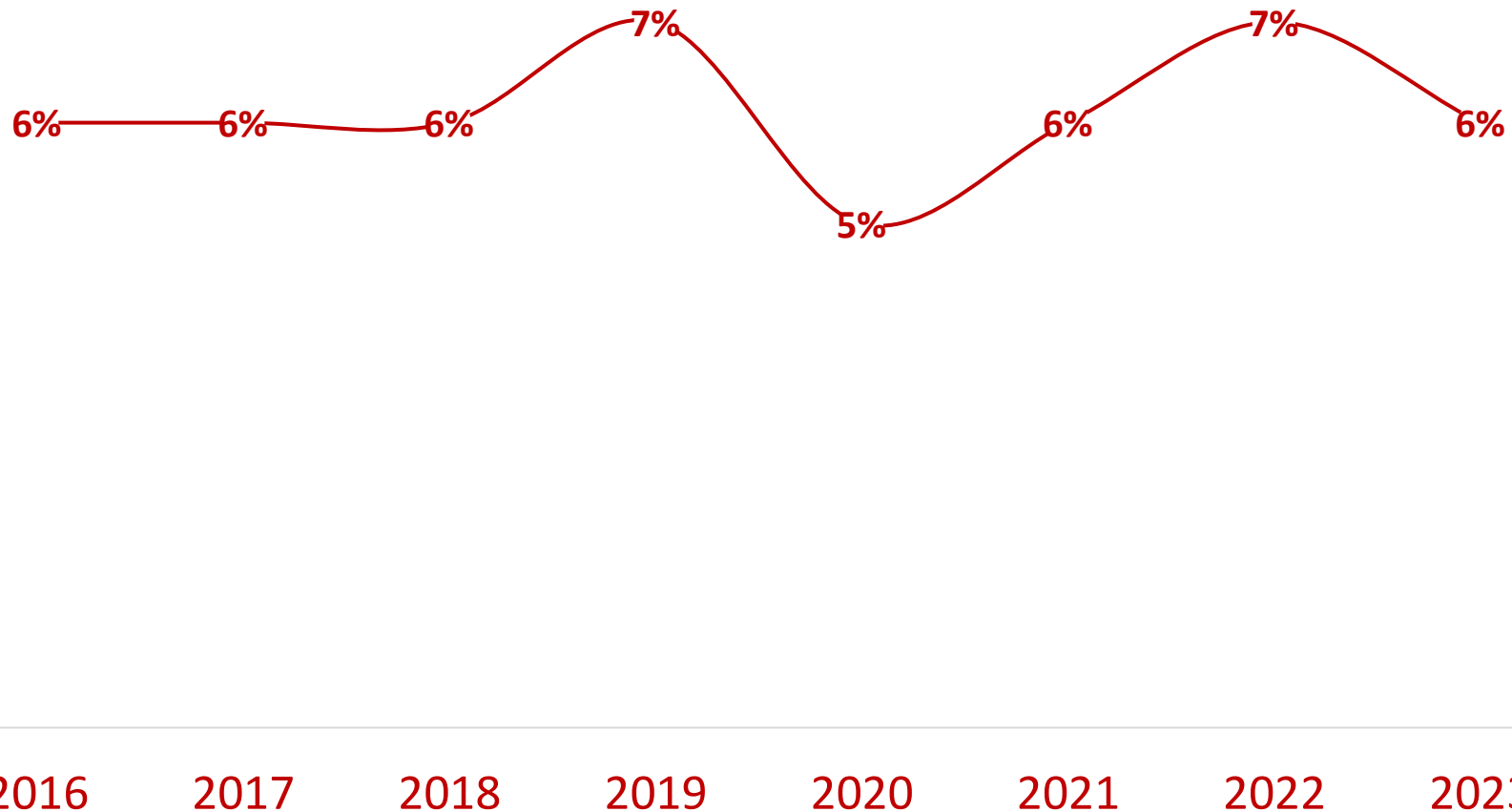
An estimated 12% of USPA Members reported using their reserve parachute in 2023. Some jumpers reported more than one, bring the estimated total reserve rides in 2023 at 4,913.



This data is found by taking total the percentage of members who reported 1+ reserve rides on the survey, multiplied by average number of members for the year.

Q10: In 2023, how many skydiving injuries did you have requiring treatment at a medical care facility? (whole numbers only)

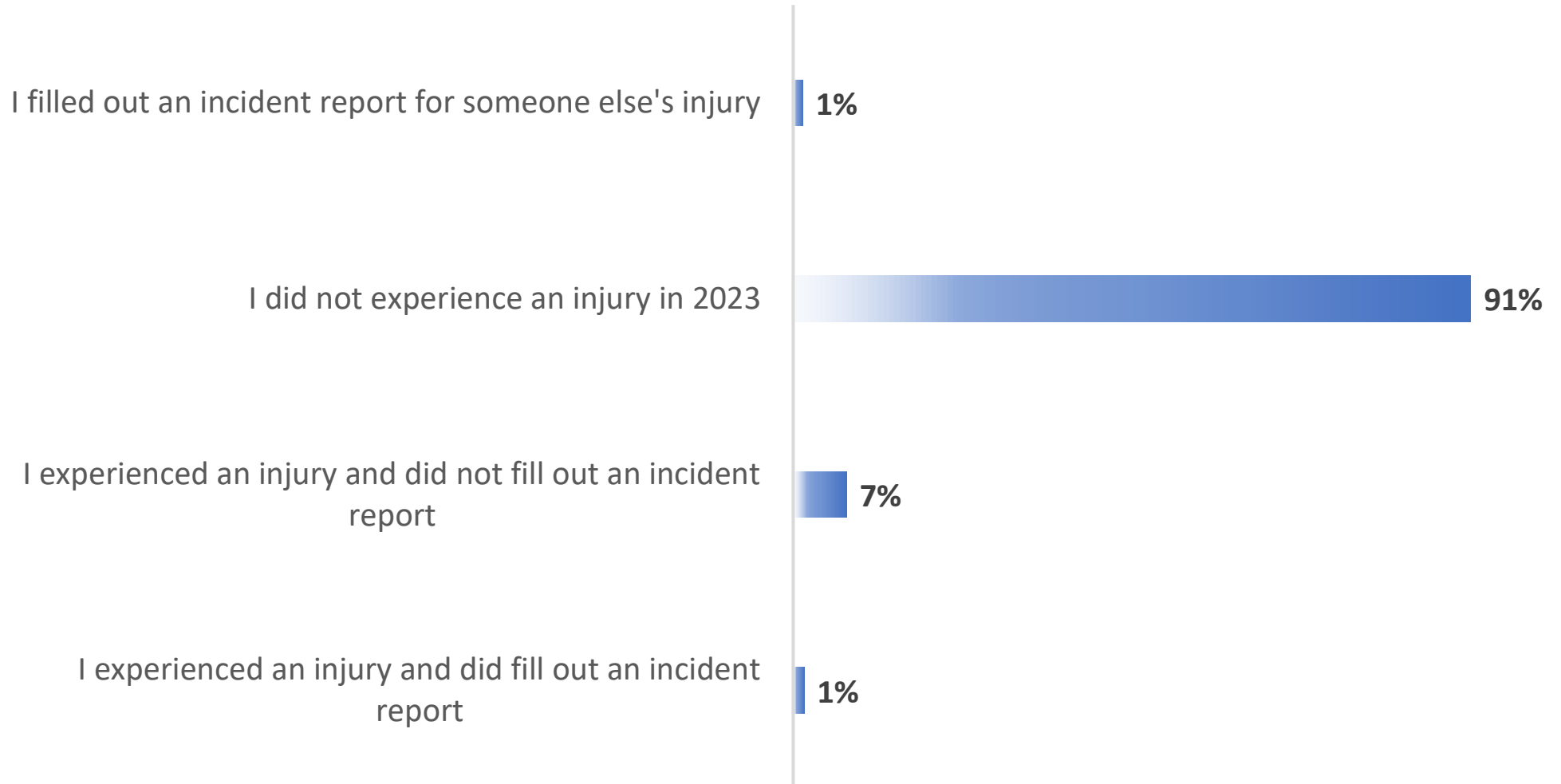
6% of member reported that they experienced an injury that required medical treatment in 2023.



This data is found by taking total the percentage of members who reported 1+ injury on our survey, multiplied by average number of members for the year.

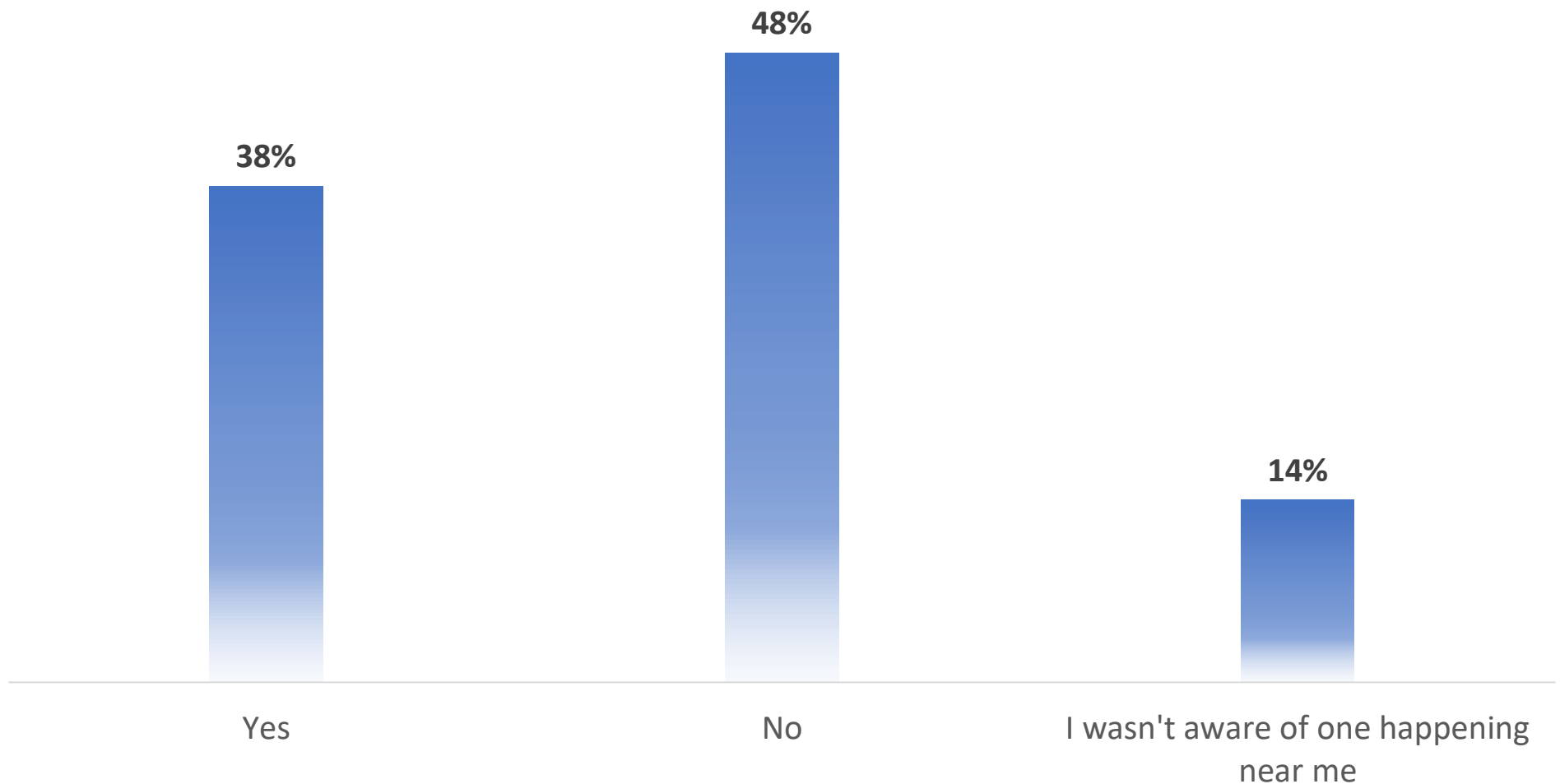
Q11: If you experienced an injury in 2023, did you take the opportunity to submit an incident report so that others could learn from it? (Check all that apply)

12.5% of people who reported having an injury filed an incident report.



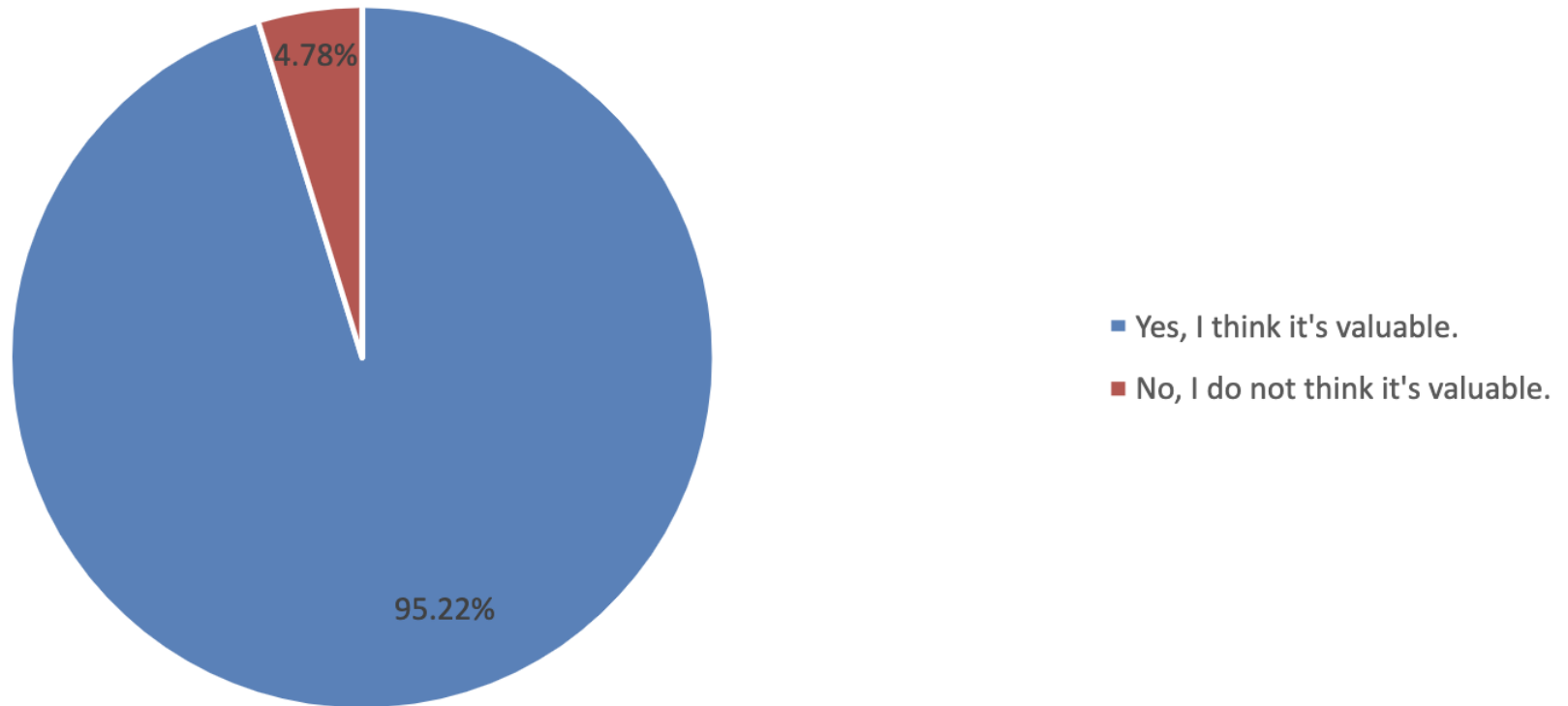
Q12: In 2023, did you participate in a USPA Safety Day event?

38% of USPA members attended a Safety Day event and only 14% of members reported being unaware of a Safety Day event near them. 48% of members did not participate in a Safety Day event.



Q13: In your opinion, is the *Parachutist Starter Magazine* a valuable resource for new skydivers?

95% of surveyed members familiar with *Parachutist Starter Mag* consider it to be a valuable resource for new skydivers!

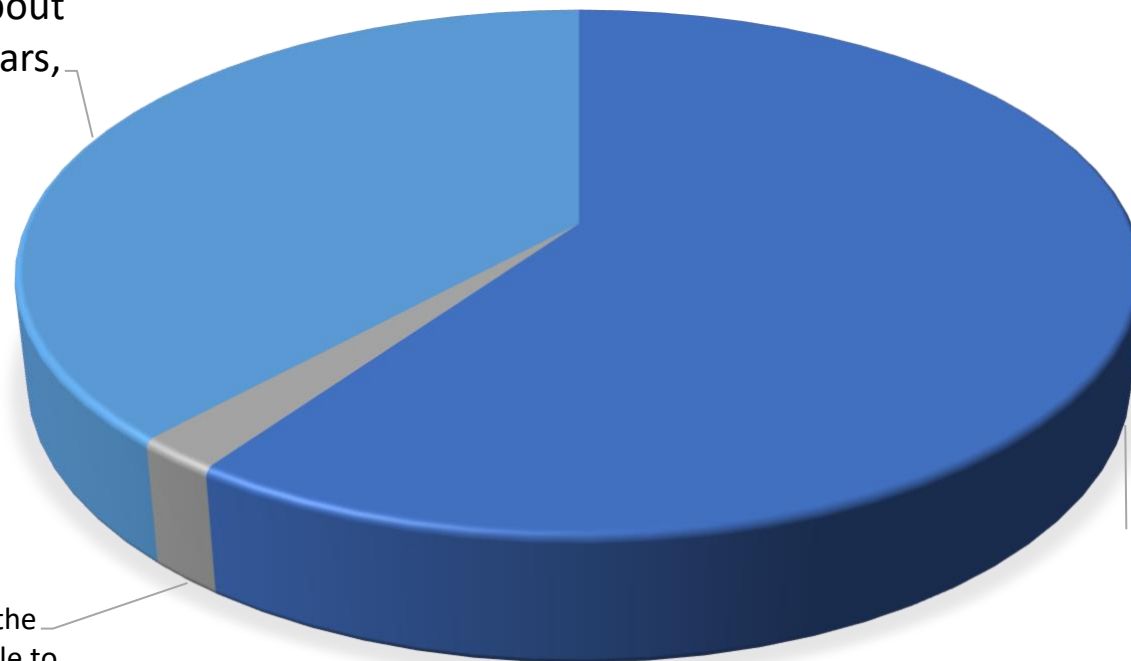


Q14: In your opinion, do you think USPAs webinars are a valuable resource for members? (Canopy Safety with Greg Windmiller, Canopy Piloting Workshop with Kaz Sheeky, Ask a Rigger with Shauna Finley, Canopy Piloting in Competition with Jeannie Bartholomew, Getting Into Artistic Freefly and Freestyle with Jason Brigmon and Jake Carlton, 4-Way Formation Skydiving with Dan Brodsky-Chenfeld, Getting Ready for Your Instructional Rating with Michael Wadkins and Sherry Butcher)

60% of members find USPA webinars valuable and we hope that the 38% who reported not knowing about them will now attend one in 2024. USPA is also starting a webinar awareness campaign across all channels.

I did not know about any of the webinars, 38%

No, I do not think the webinars are valuable to members, 2%



Yes, I think the webinars are valuable to members, 60%

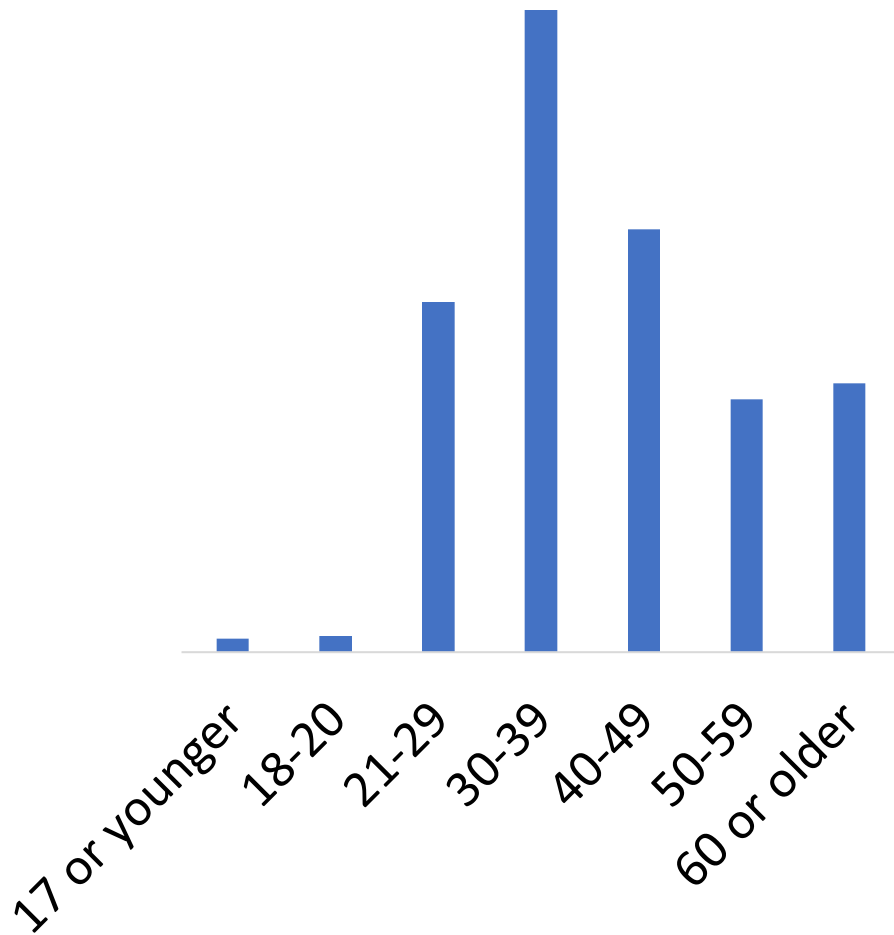
Q16: Is there anything else you would like to share with USPA?

With almost 1,500 responses to our open-ended question, the consensus—as usual—is extremely positive!



Questions about age and gender are not included in the survey since we can grab it from our own system:

USPA Member Age Distribution 2023



USPA Gender Distribution 2023

