

Arlington County Affordable Housing Study

Arlington Resident Poll Results
Presented to The Working Group
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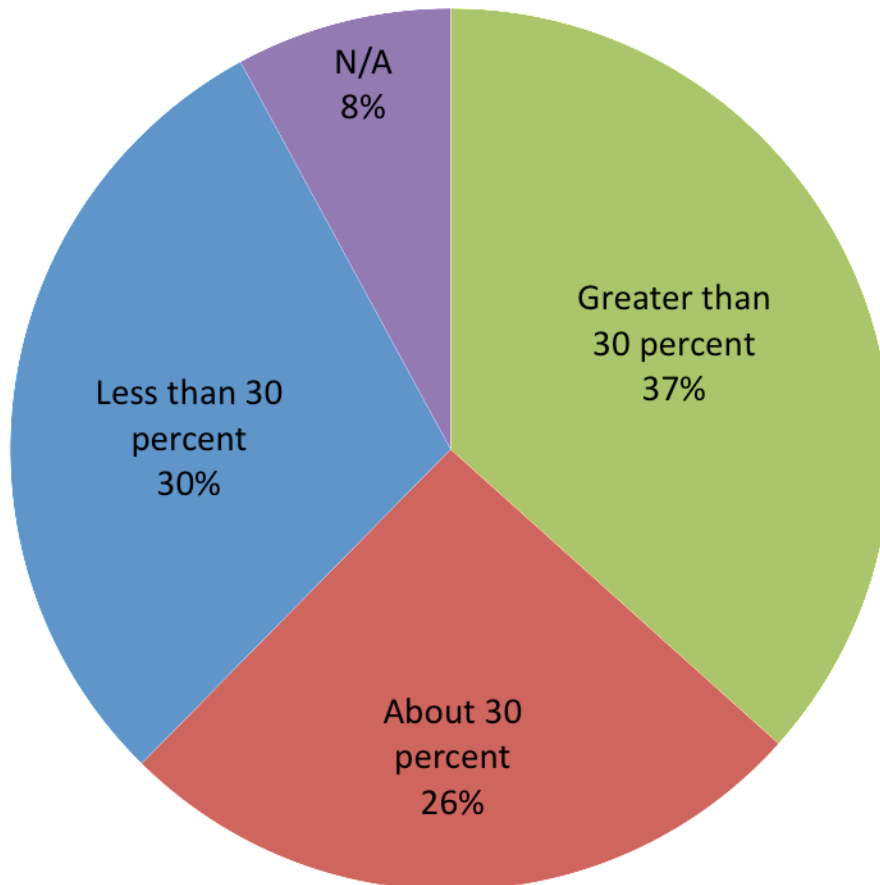
About the Poll

1,744 Respondents

• Respondents Eligibility:	Adults 21+
• Interview Method:	Telephone/Online
• Interview Language:	English and Spanish
• Margin of Error:	+/- 2.3%
• Interview Dates:	April 23-June 12, 2014
• Over-sampled Populations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hispanic (n = 200)• Asian (n = 149)• African American (n = 199)• Low-income Seniors (n = 143)• 25-34 year olds (n = 306)
• Data Weighting:	Results reflect Census's ACS population weights – age x ethnicity

Income Spent on Housing

Q13. *If you had to guess, do you think your household spends more, less or right about 30 percent of the total gross household income on housing costs - that is, the cost of rent or mortgage plus taxes and utilities?*

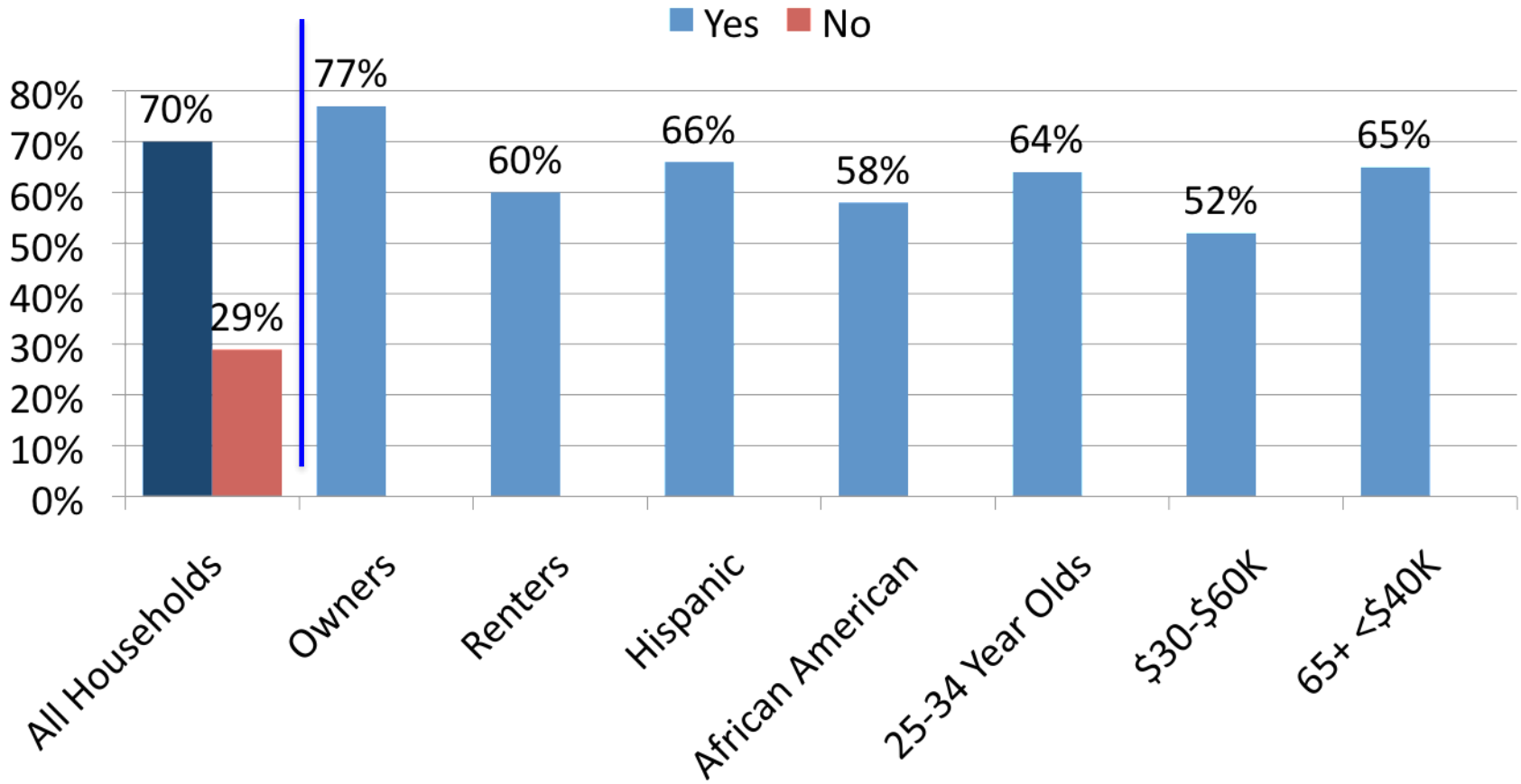


Spend More Than 30%

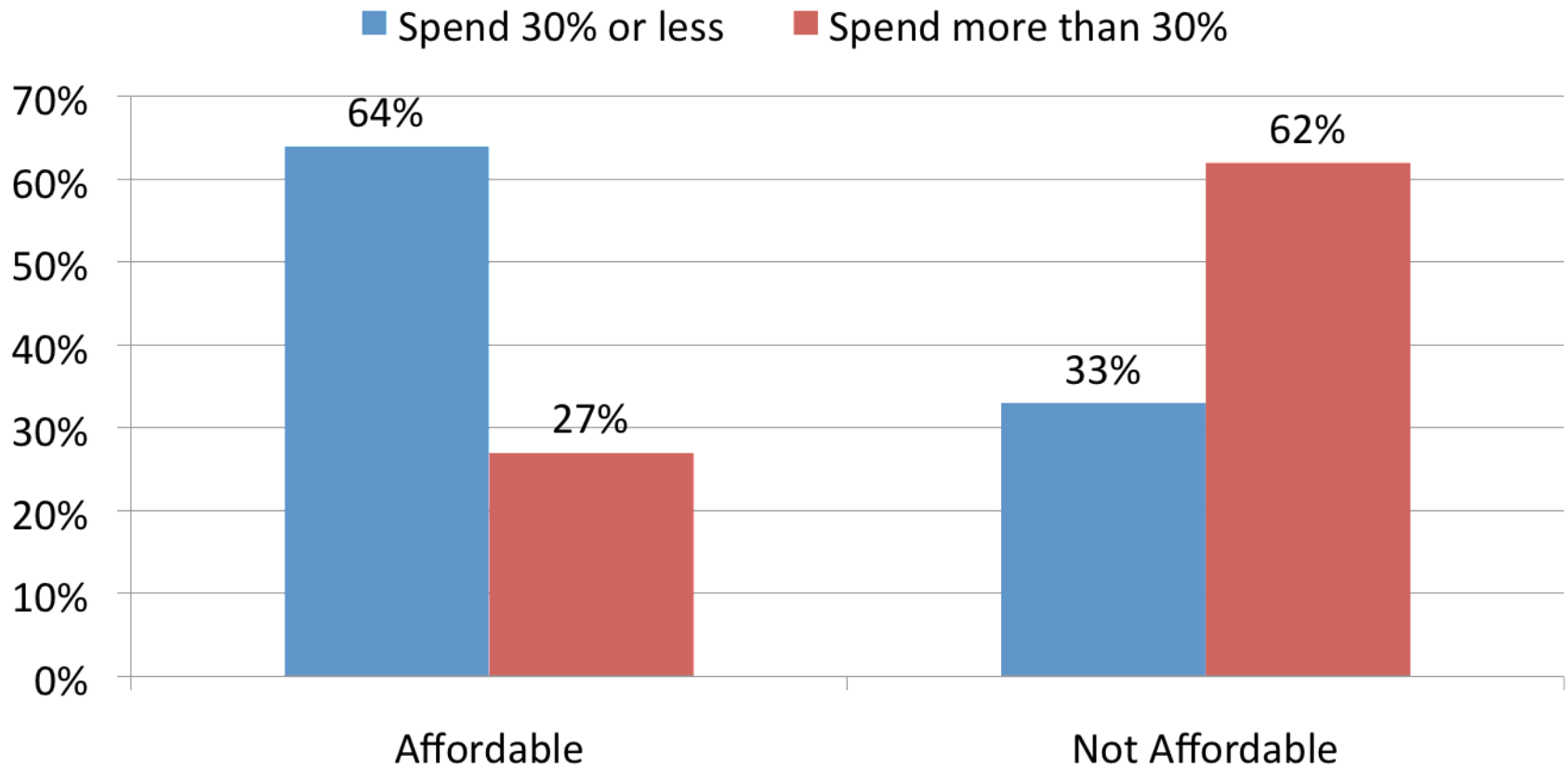
Owners:	29%
Renters:	49%
Renters w/Assistance:	50%
Hispanic:	49%
African American:	50%
Asian:	41%
25-34 year olds:	45%
Pike area:	46%

Consider Your Housing Affordable

Q12. In general, considering all the costs it takes to live in your home - including monthly rent or mortgage payments, plus taxes and utilities - do you consider it affordable?

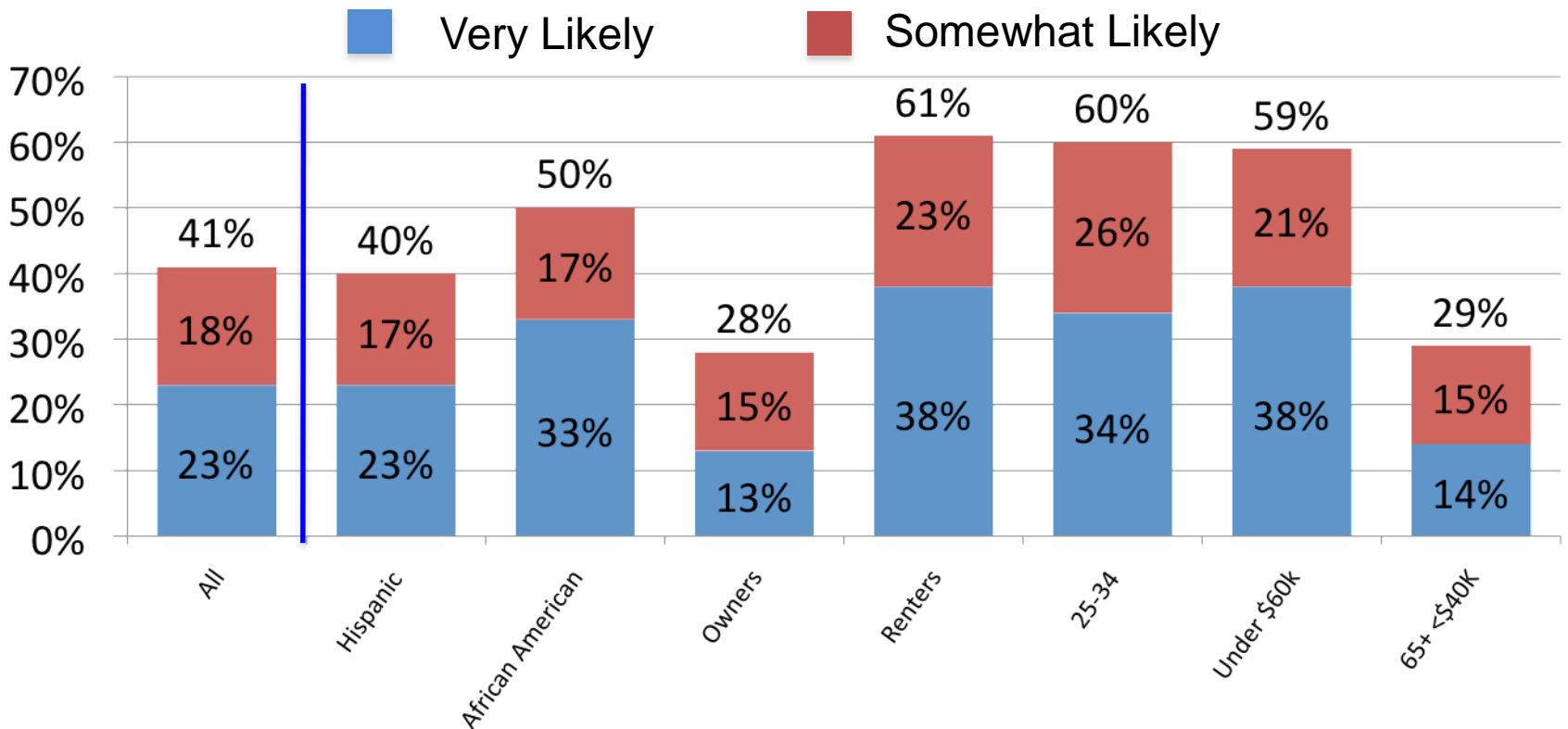


Consider Affordable by Income Spent



Likelihood of Moving Out of Arlington Because of Housing Costs

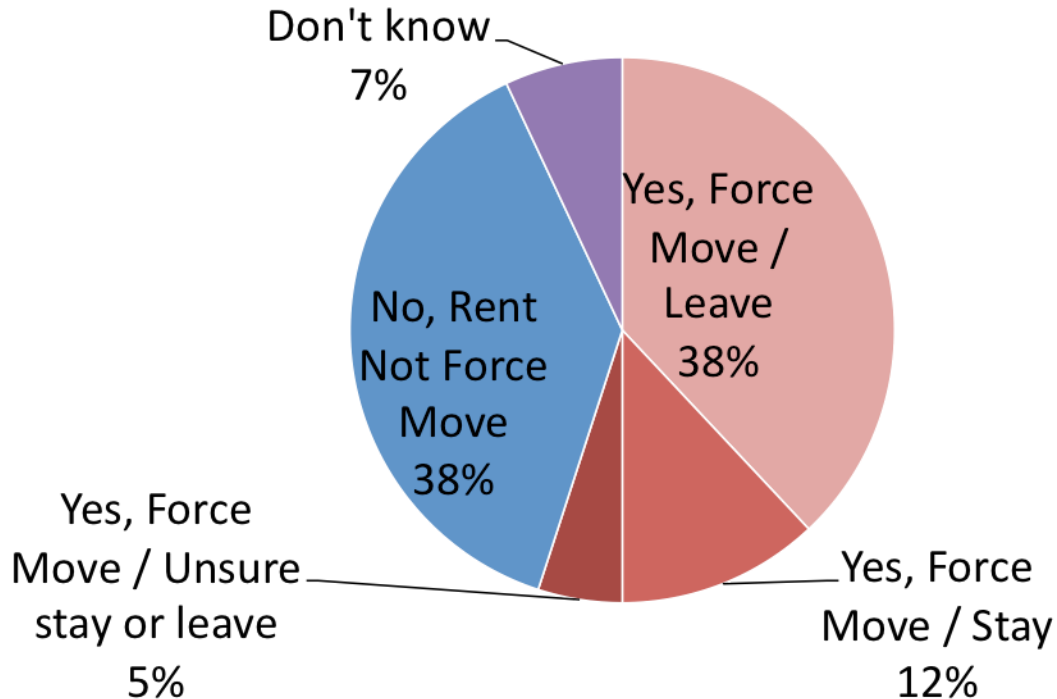
Q14. In the next five years or so, how likely is it you will have to move out of Arlington because you would not have the kind of housing you want at the price you can afford - very likely, somewhat likely, or not likely?



RENTERS: Forced to Move Because of Cost

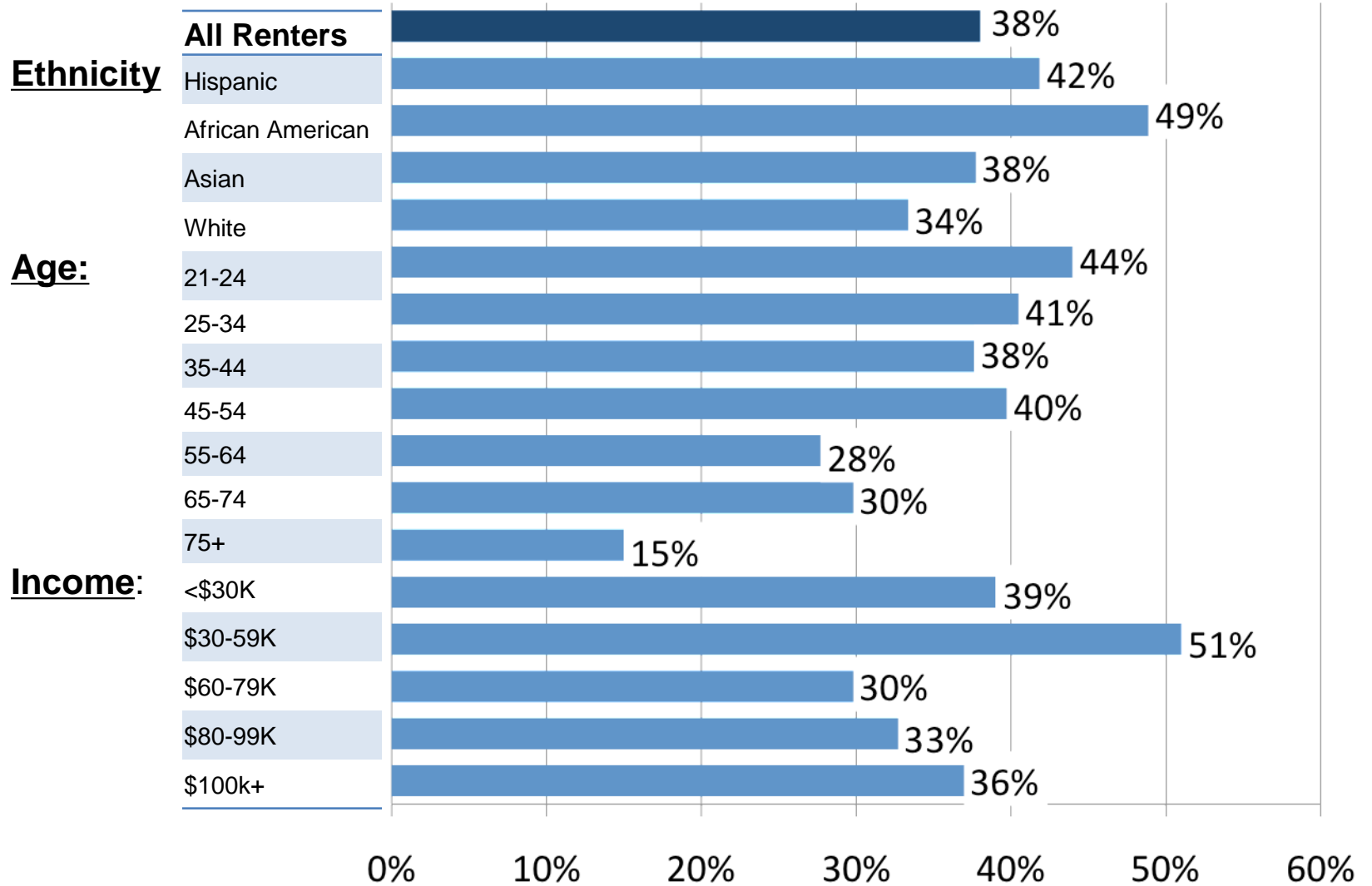
Q17. Do you think it is likely in the next five years or so, your rent will increase so much it will force you to move?

Q18. Would you expect, at that point, to be able to find another place in Arlington to live or that you will have to move out of Arlington to be able to afford a place to live?



55% TOTAL
Yes, Force
Move because
of Rent

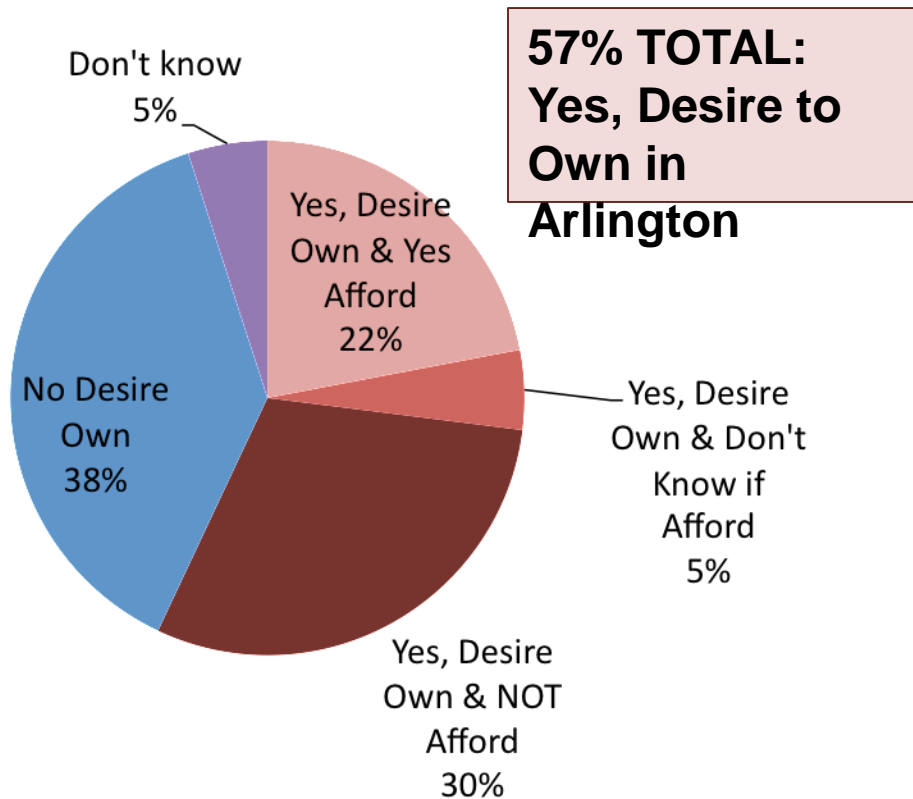
RENTERS: Forced to Move Because of Cost & Leave Arlington :



RENTERS: Desire & Expectation of Home Ownership in Arlington

Q19. *Would you, at some point in the future, like to buy a home in Arlington?*

Q20. *Do you expect to be able to find a home to buy in Arlington that you can afford and meets your needs?*

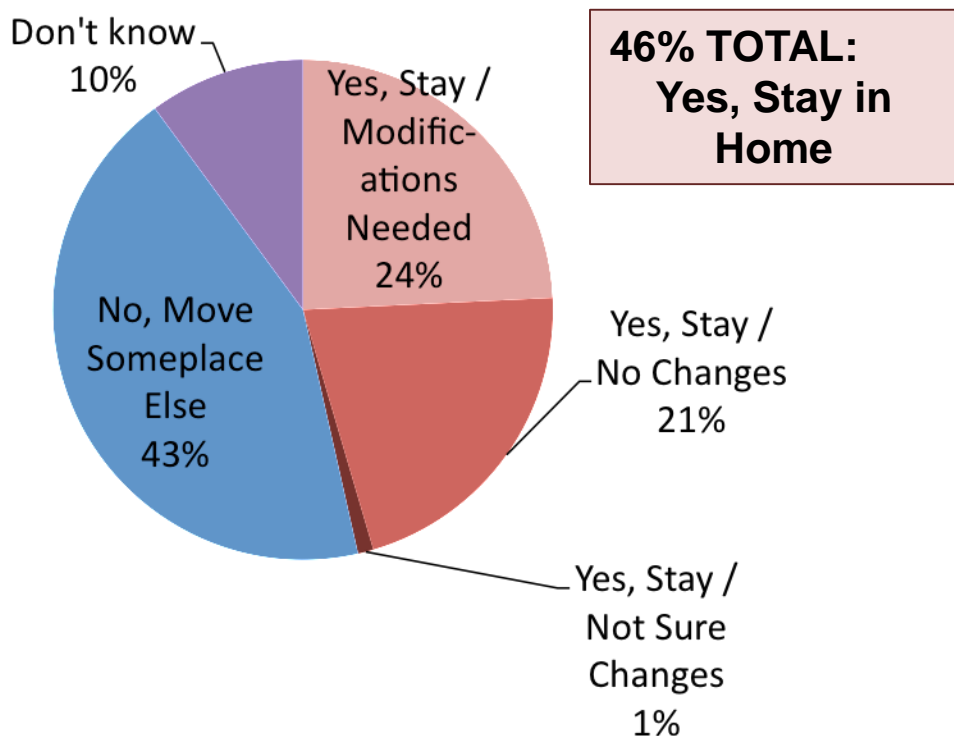


% Desire to Own but NOT afford	
Hispanic:	28%
African American:	31%
25 - 34:	39%
35 - 44:	38%
\$30 - \$60K:	46%

OWNERS: Desire to Stay v. Move / If Stay, Modifications to Home Needed

Q15. *Would you like to remain in your current home for the rest of your life or move to some other home?*

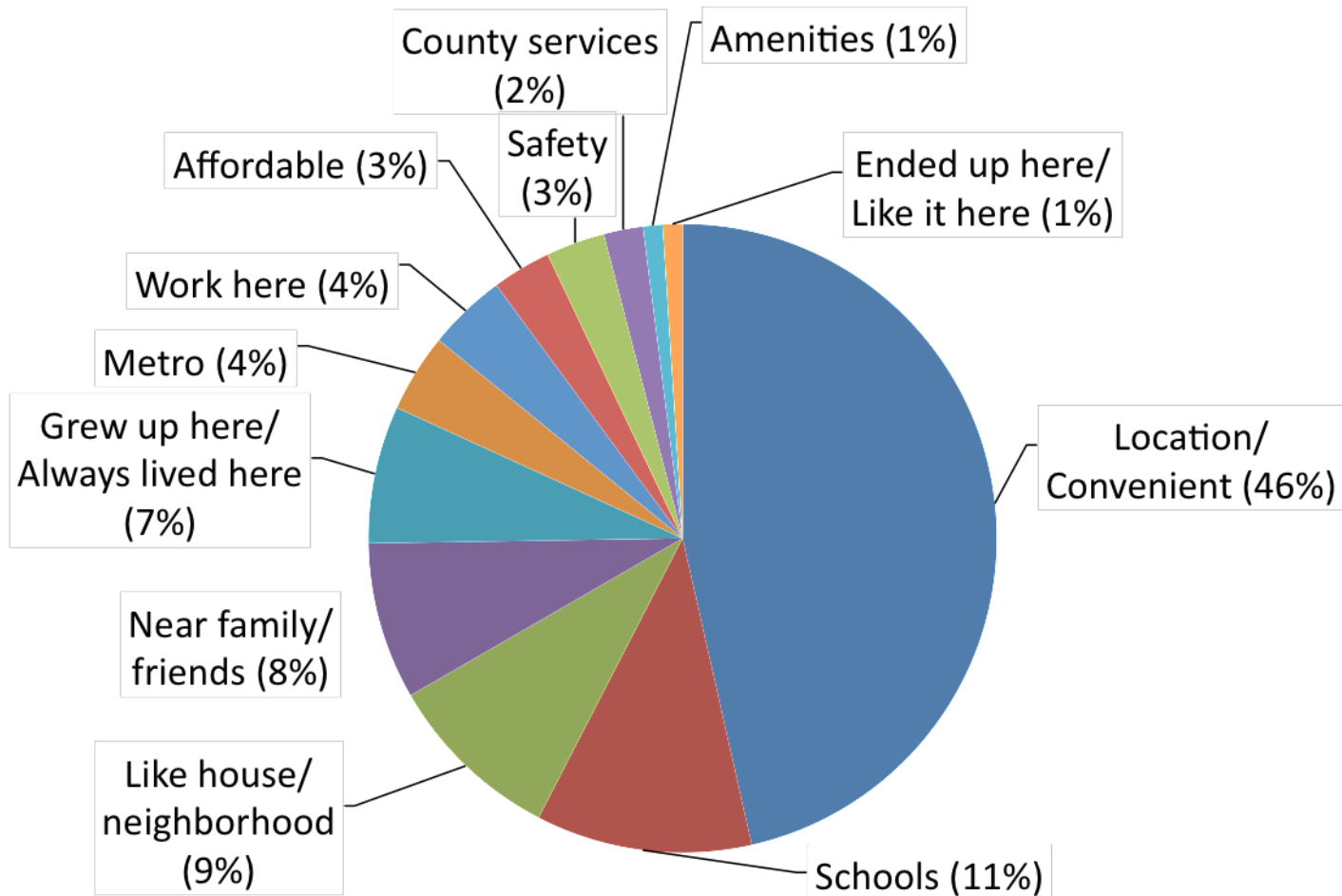
Q16. *Do you think your home will need some physical modifications to allow you to remain living there the rest of your life or not?*



Yes, Stay in Home: Modifications Needed	
45 - 54:	21%
55 - 64:	30%
65 - 74:	36%
75+:	25%

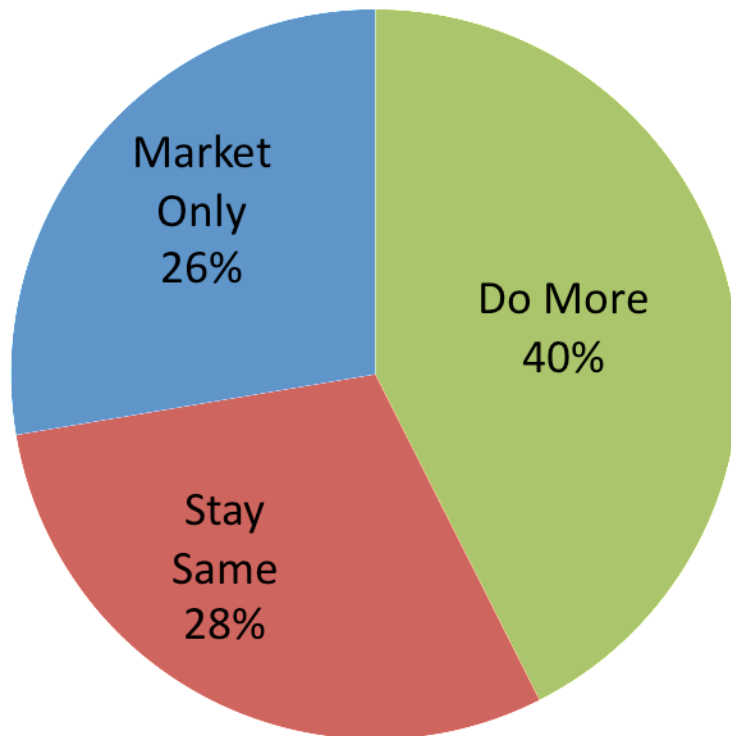
Volunteered Top Reason to Live in Arlington

Q22. *In your own words, tell me the main reason you chose to live in Arlington?*



Preferred Policy for Arlington Affordable Housing

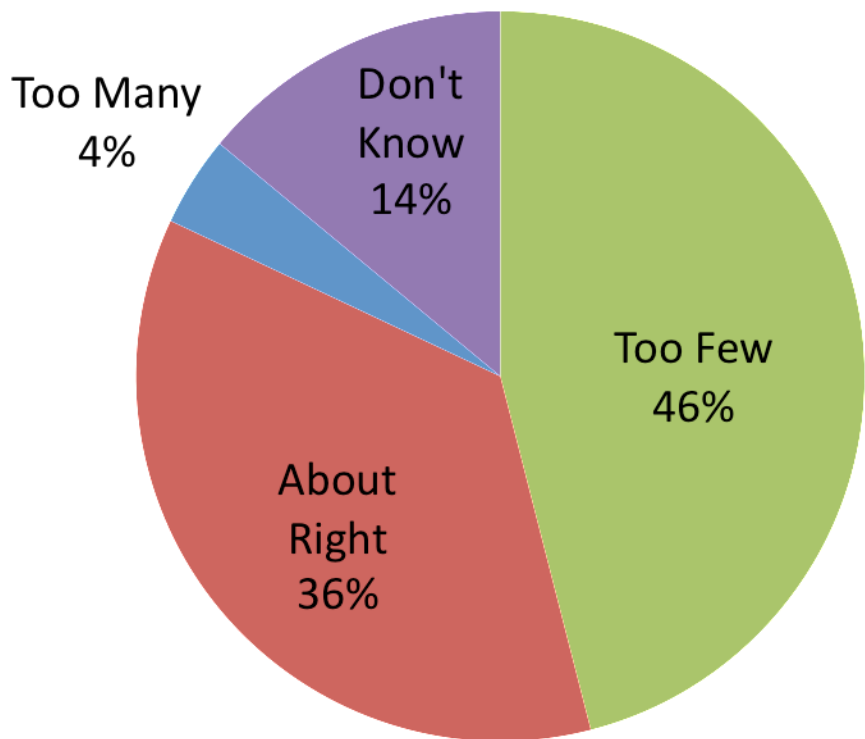
Q23. For this next section, some slightly different questions - mostly about Housing Policies in Arlington. Based on what you know or may believe, which of these policy approaches to housing affordability in Arlington do you support?



Highest Support for “Do”	
<\$30K:	71%
Renters w/Assistance	63%
African American:	60%
Disabled:	55%
\$30 - \$60K:	54%
Low Income Seniors:	51%
65-74 year olds:	50%
Hispanic:	47%
Pike area:	45%

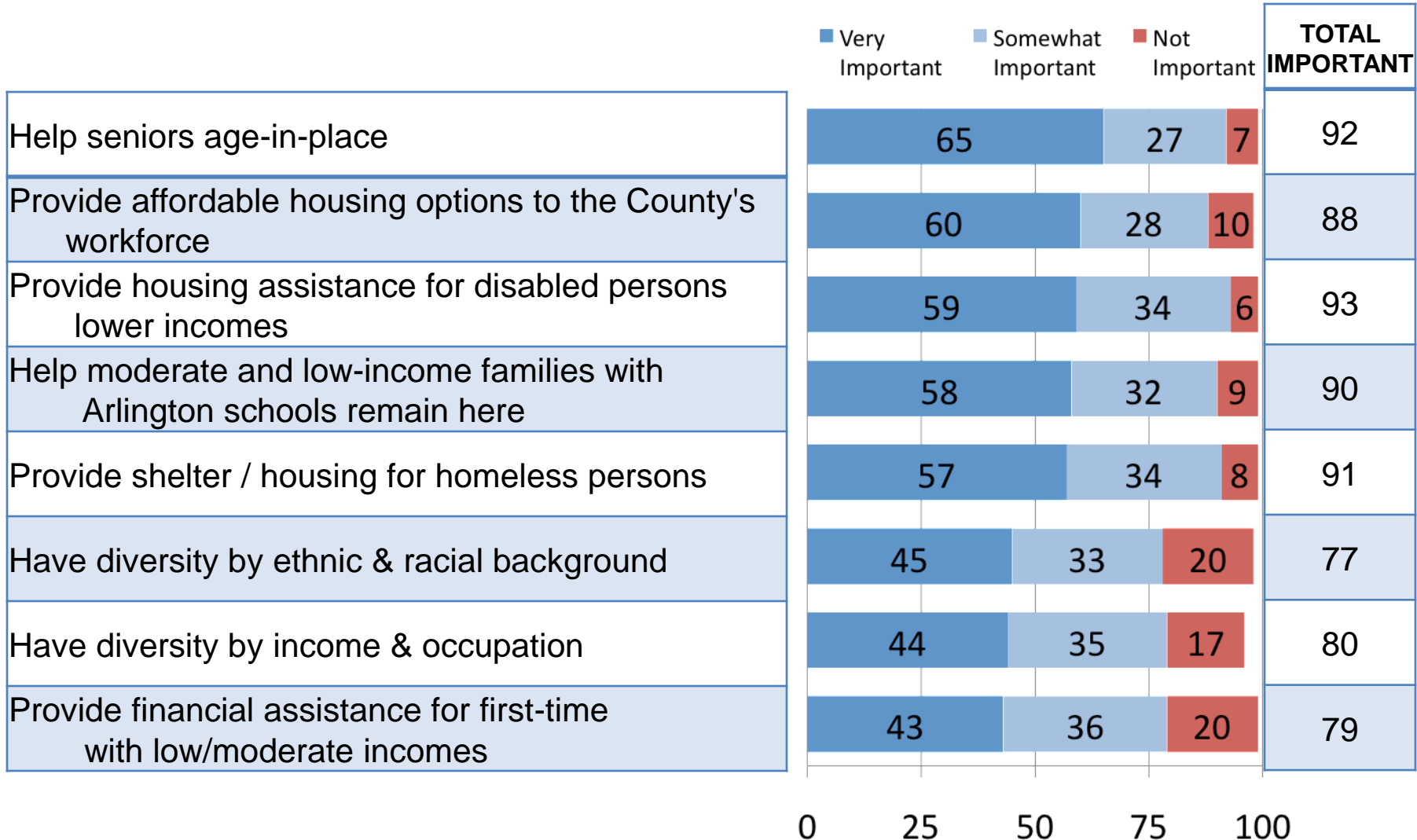
Evaluation of Arlington's Affordable Units to Renters <60% AMI

Q32. Experts who have studied Arlington housing say that roughly one-in-four or 25 percent of Arlington apartments are considered affordable to people earning what is considered a low income in Northern Virginia - that is defined as up to \$65,000 a year for a family income and up to 45 thousand for singles. In your opinion, does Arlington have too few, too many or about the right amount of rental housing affordable to households with these incomes?



Highest % "Too Few"	
African American:	66%
\$30 - \$60K:	63%
Renters:	55%
Hispanic:	54%
<\$30K:	54%
Pike area:	52%

Housing Objectives:



Housing Policies:

