

King Island Farmer's survey

Monday, August 29, 2016

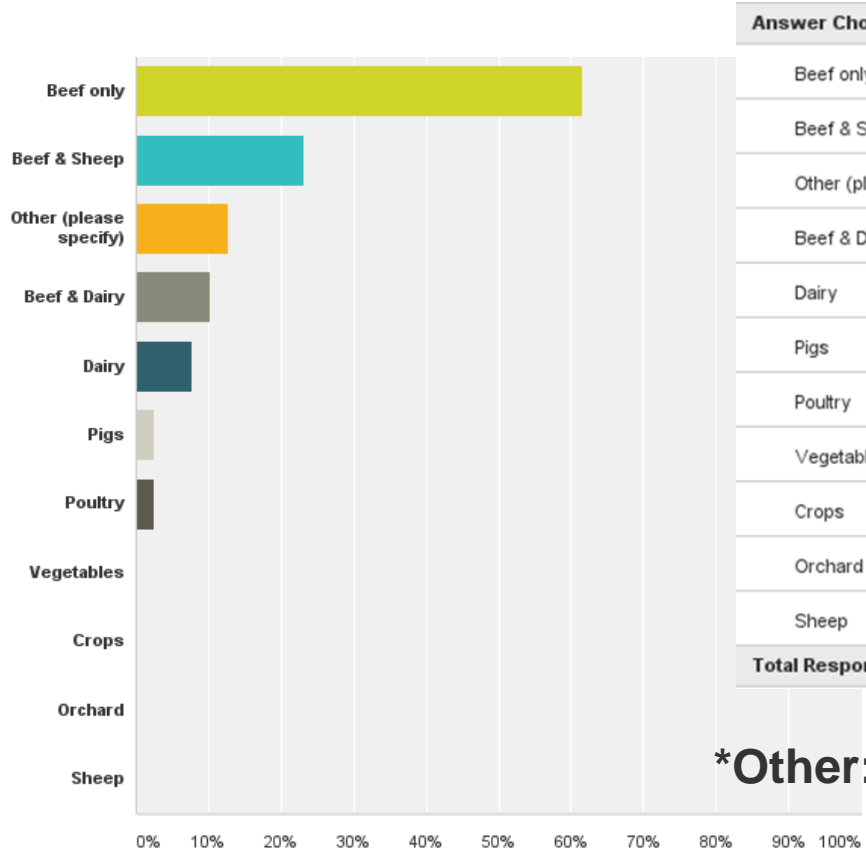
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Total Responses

Date Created: Thursday, May 19, 2016

Complete Responses: 34

Q1: what is your main industry?



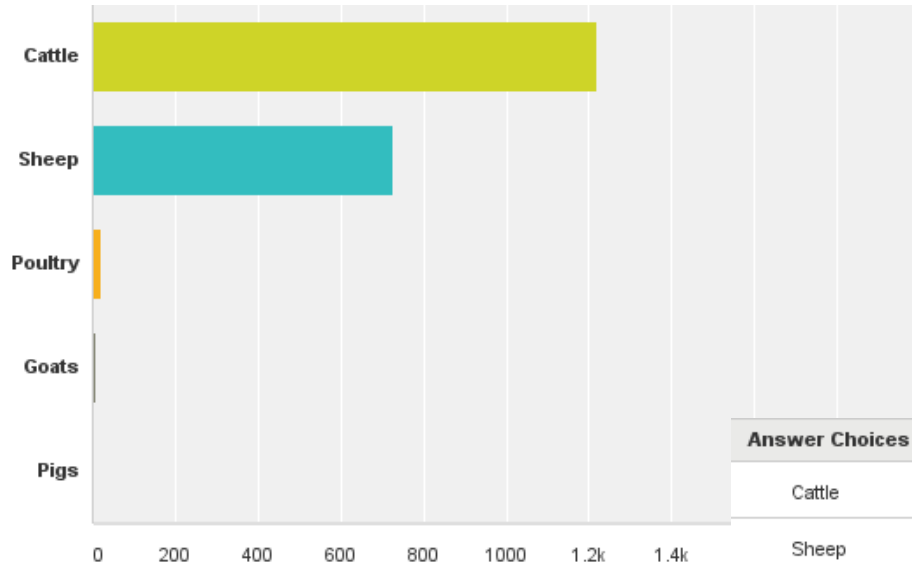
Answer Choices	Responses
Beef only	61.54% 24
Beef & Sheep	23.08% 9
Other (please specify)	12.82% 5
Beef & Dairy	10.26% 4
Dairy	7.69% 3
Pigs	2.56% 1
Poultry	2.56% 1
Vegetables	0.00% 0
Crops	0.00% 0
Orchard	0.00% 0
Sheep	0.00% 0
Total Respondents: 39	

***Other:** Contracting, dairy support, horse stud

Q2: What is the size of your farm (in Acres)?

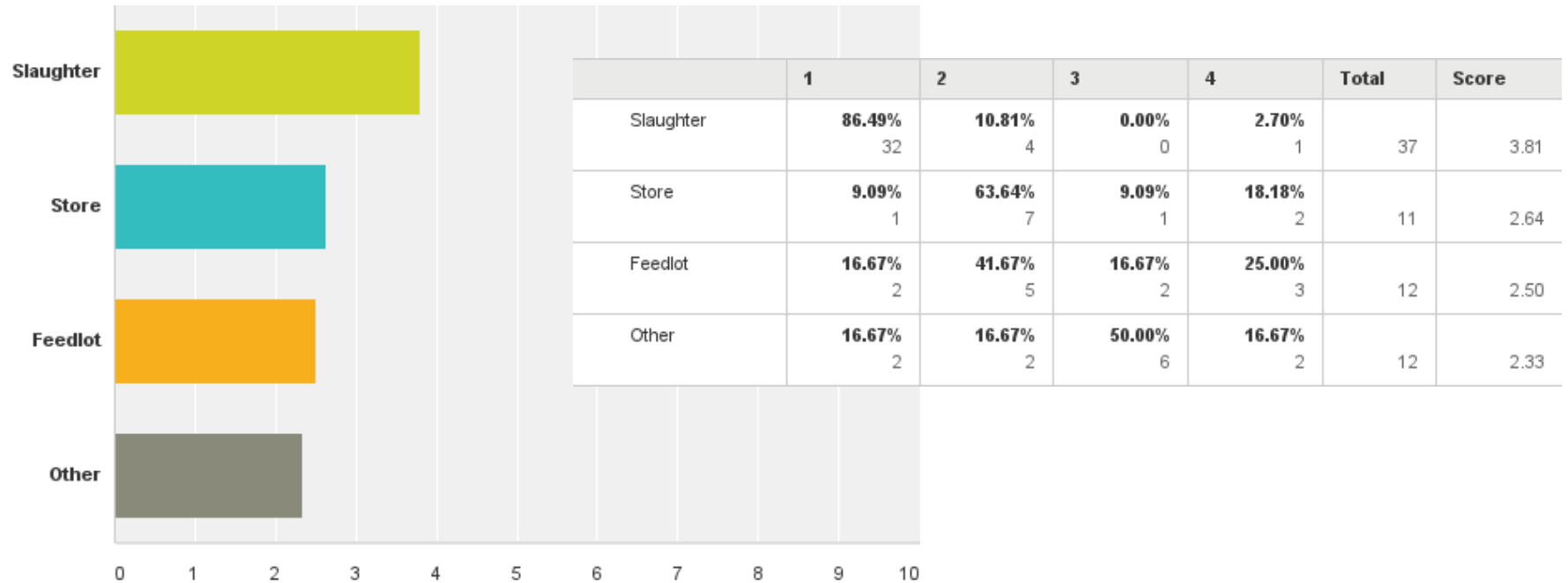
- **Responses: 38 responses**
- **Average size farm in acres = 1755 acres**
- **Minimum size = 12 acres**
- **Maximum = 16746 acres**

Q3: On average, how many head do you have on your property?



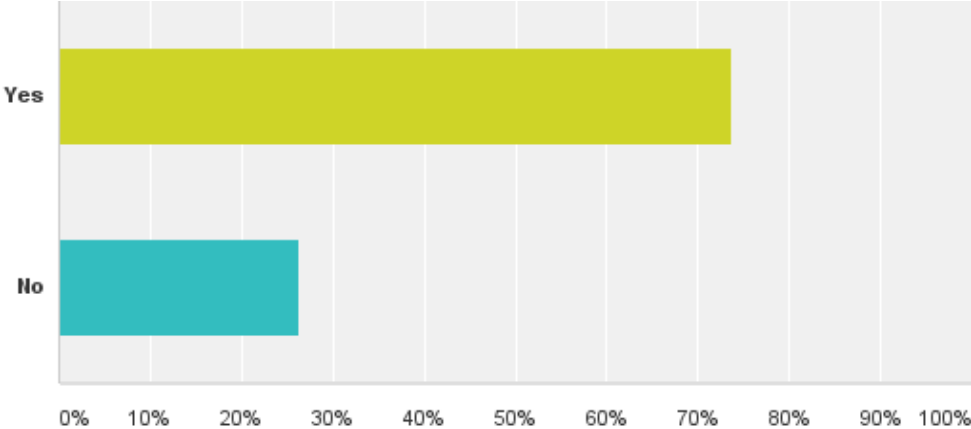
Answer Choices	Average Number	Total Number	Responses
Cattle	1,221	46,395	38
Sheep	725	7,250	10
Poultry	21	104	5
Goats	7	21	3
Pigs	1	2	3
Total Respondents: 38			

Q4: What are your markets? Please rank them being 1 your biggest market



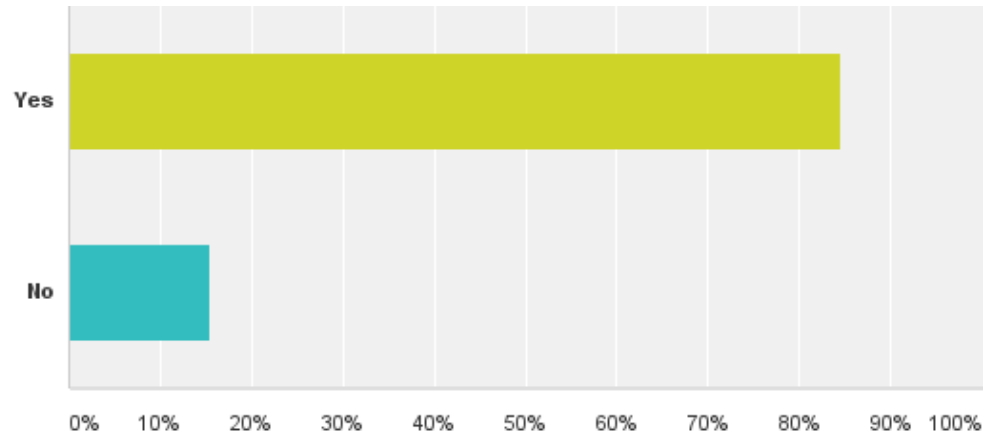
Q5: Are you doing pasture renovations

Answered: 38 Skipped: 1



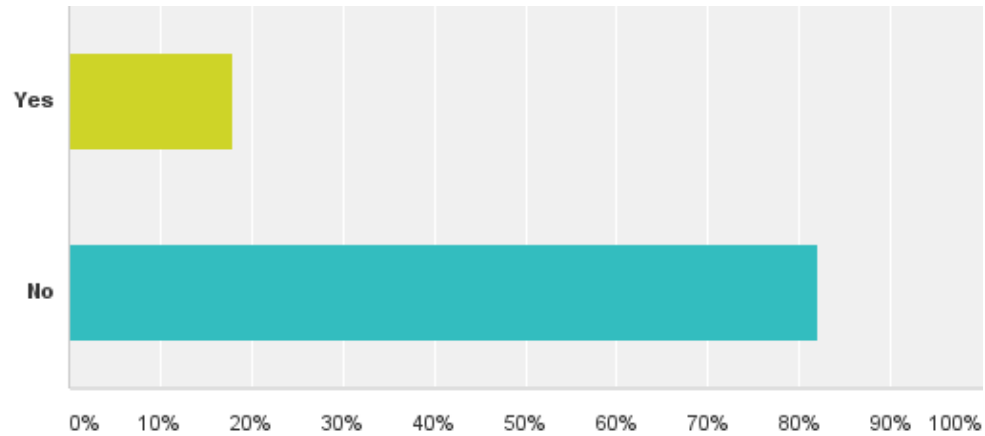
Q6: Do you do soil tests?

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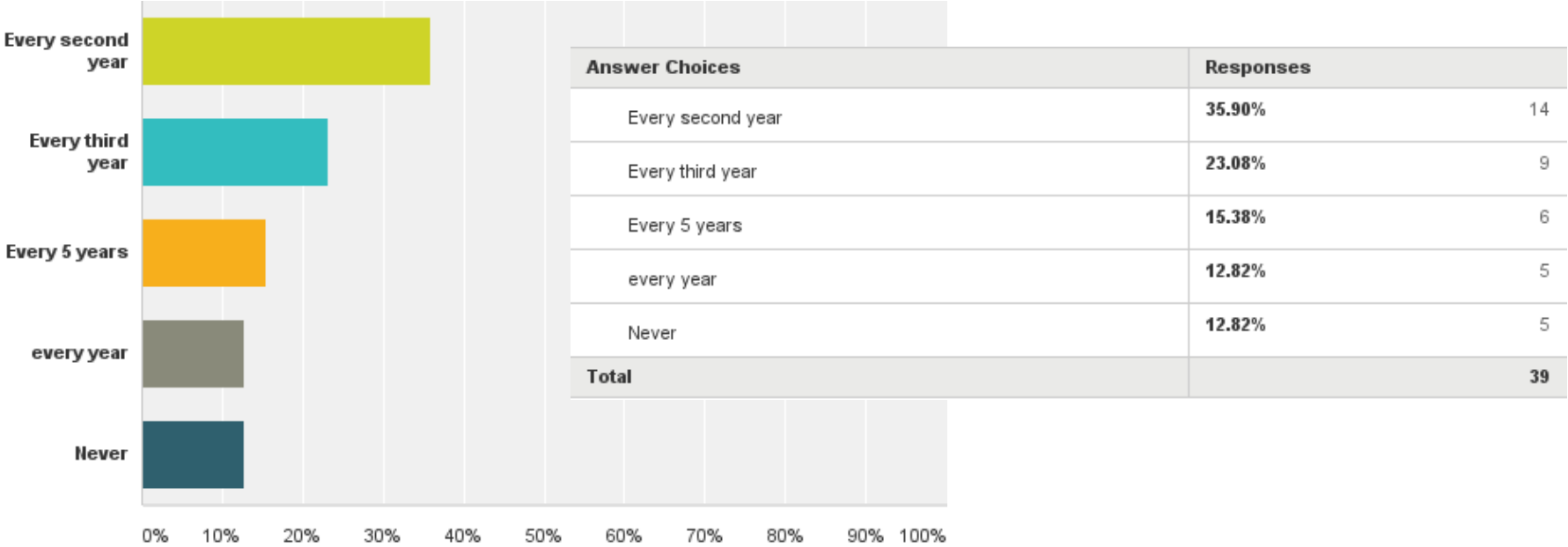


Q7: Do you do Feed tests?

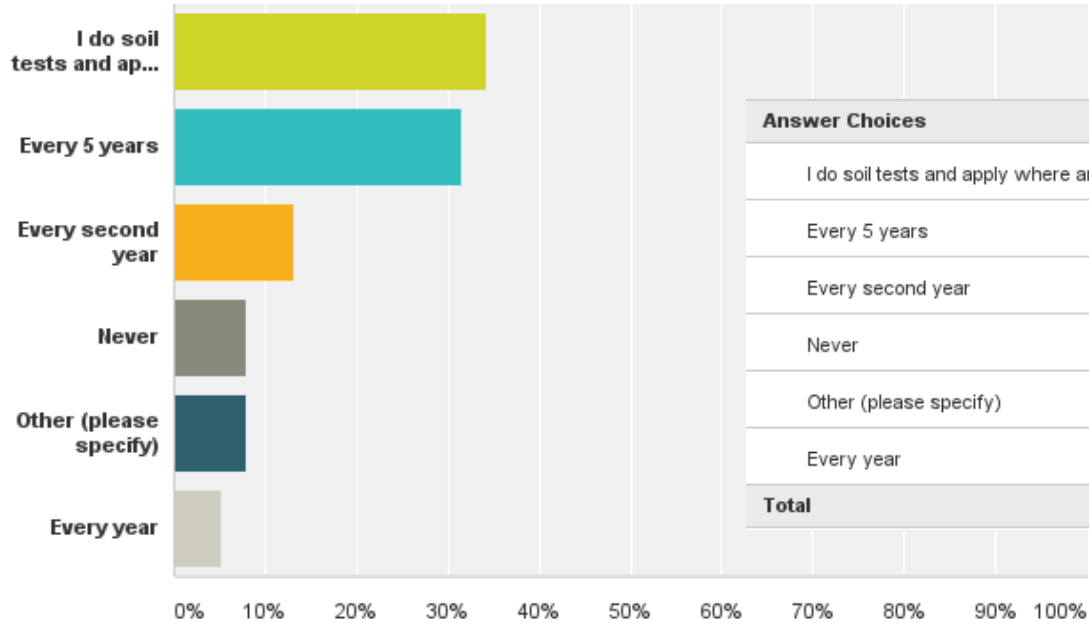
Answered: 39 Skipped: 0



Q8: How often do you do soil tests?



Q9: What method do you use when applying lime sand?

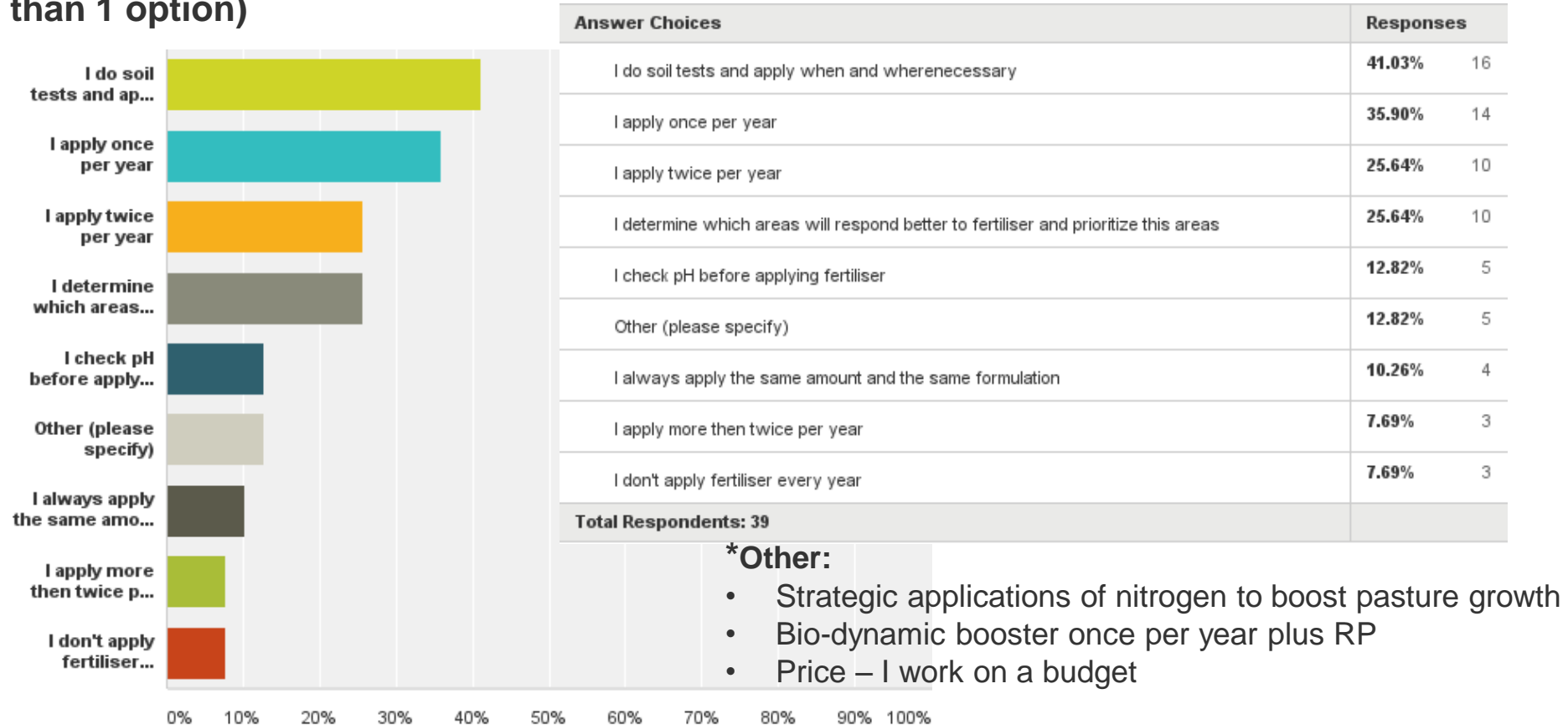


Answer Choices	Responses
I do soil tests and apply where and when necessary	34.21% 13
Every 5 years	31.58% 12
Every second year	13.16% 5
Never	7.89% 3
Other (please specify)	7.89% 3
Every year	5.26% 2
Total	38

*Other:

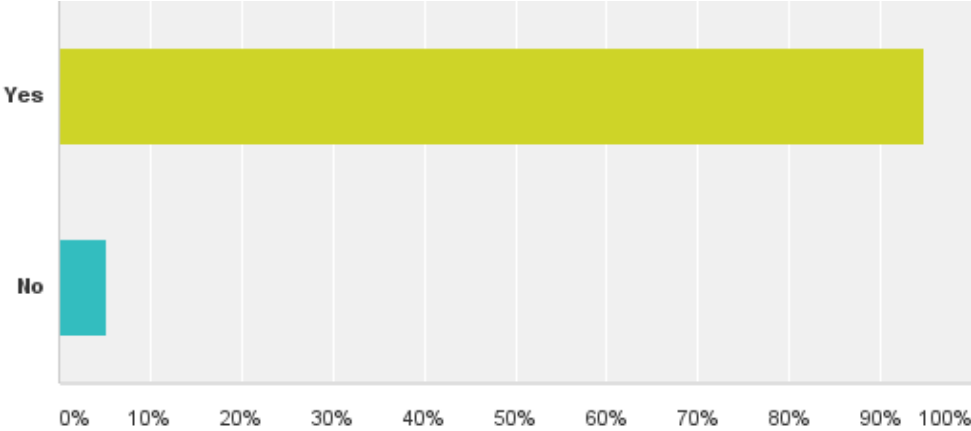
- Occasionally
- 8 years and counting

Q10: What strategy do you use when applying fertiliser? (You can choose more than 1 option)



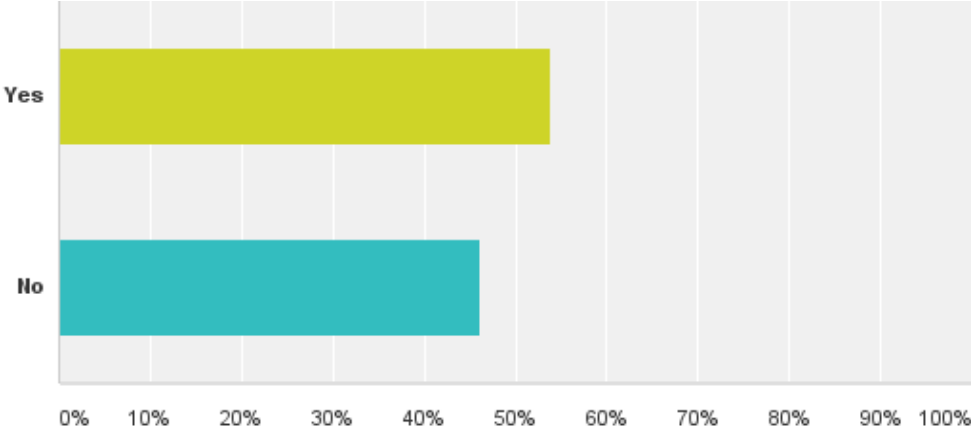
Q11: Do you do rotational grazing

Answered: 39 Skipped: 0



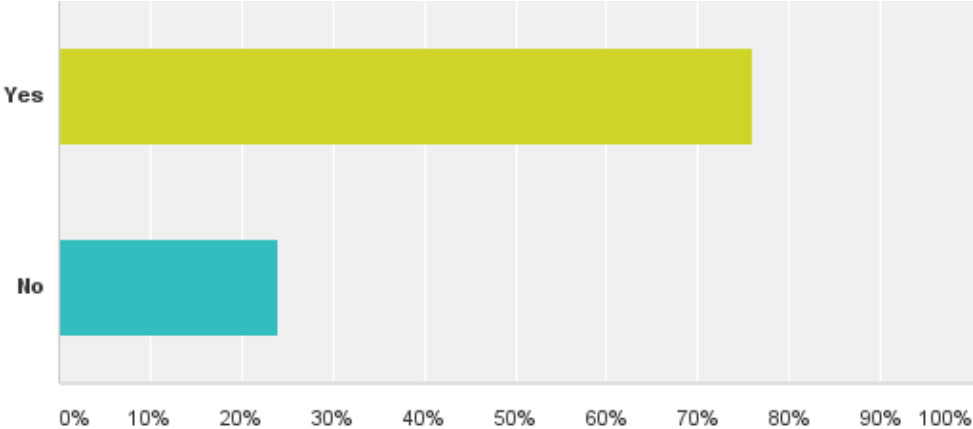
Q12: Is waterlogging a big problem?

Answered: 39 Skipped: 0



Q13: If you answer yes to the previous question, do you have a drainage plan or intend to have one?

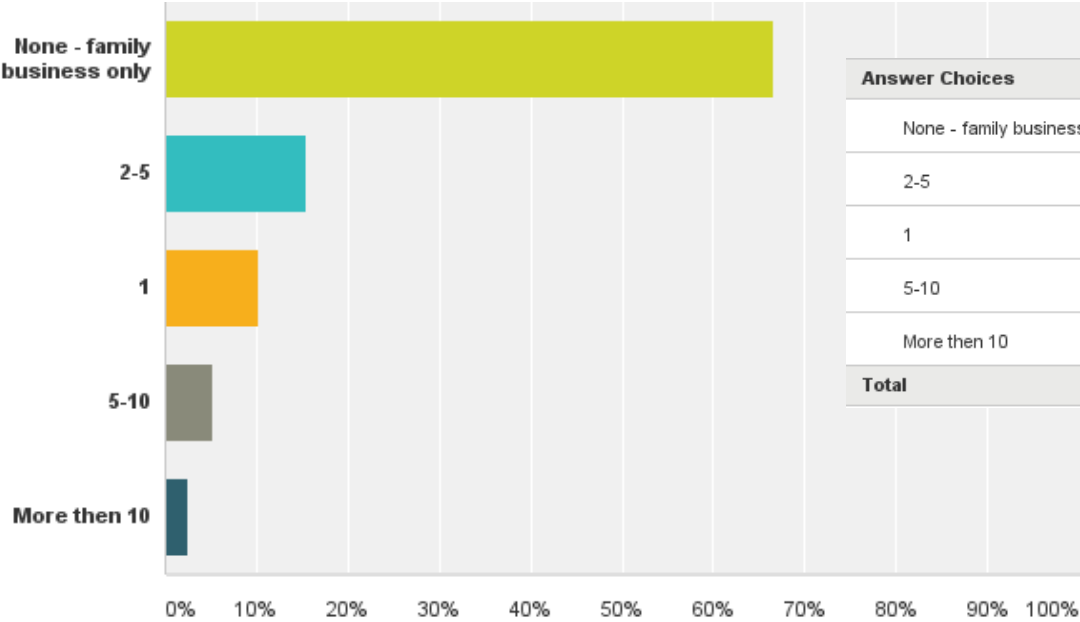
Answered: 25 Skipped: 14



What is the percentage of native vegetation protected on your farm?

- Average = 18%
- Minimum = 1%
- Maximum = 85%

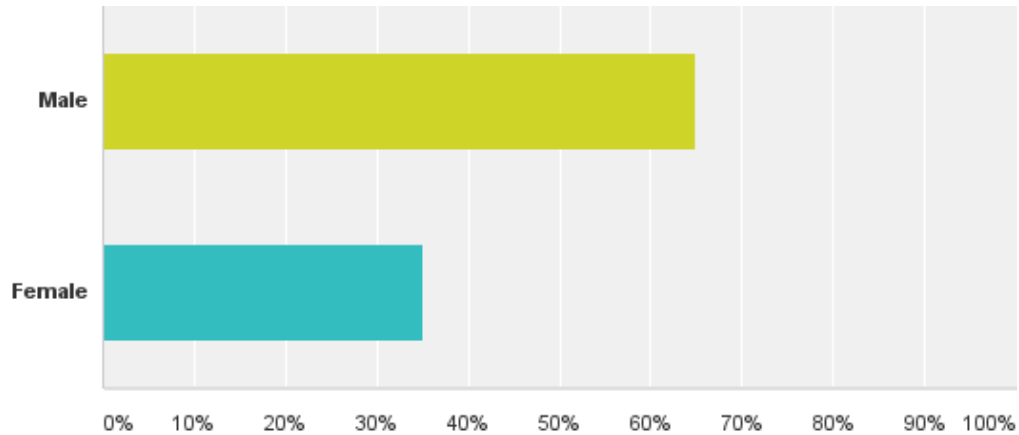
Q15: How many people does your business employ?



Answer Choices	Responses
None - family business only	66.67% 26
2-5	15.38% 6
1	10.26% 4
5-10	5.13% 2
More than 10	2.56% 1
Total	39

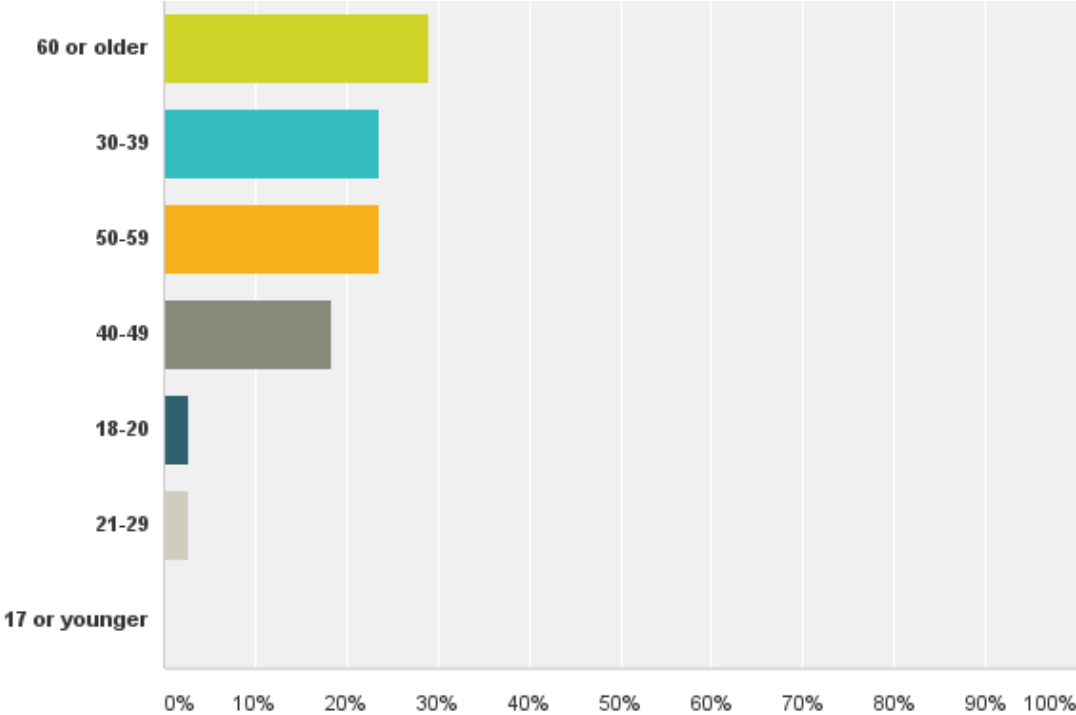
Q16: Are you male or female?

Answered: 37 Skipped: 2



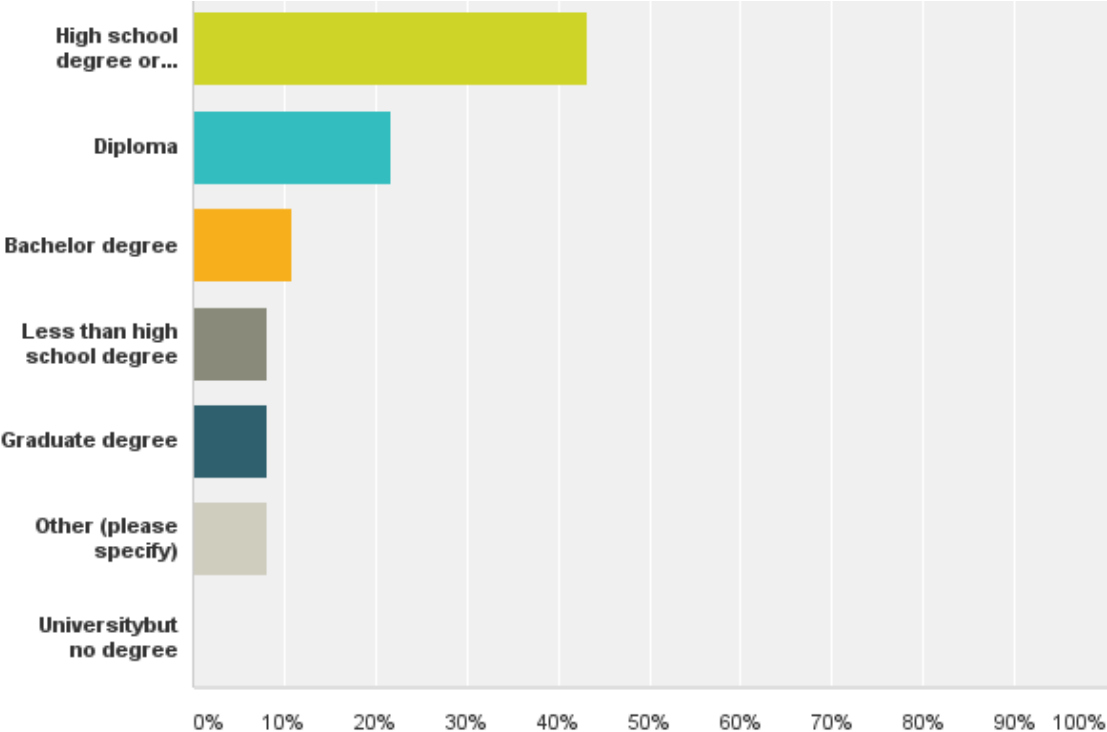
Q17: What is your age?

Answered:



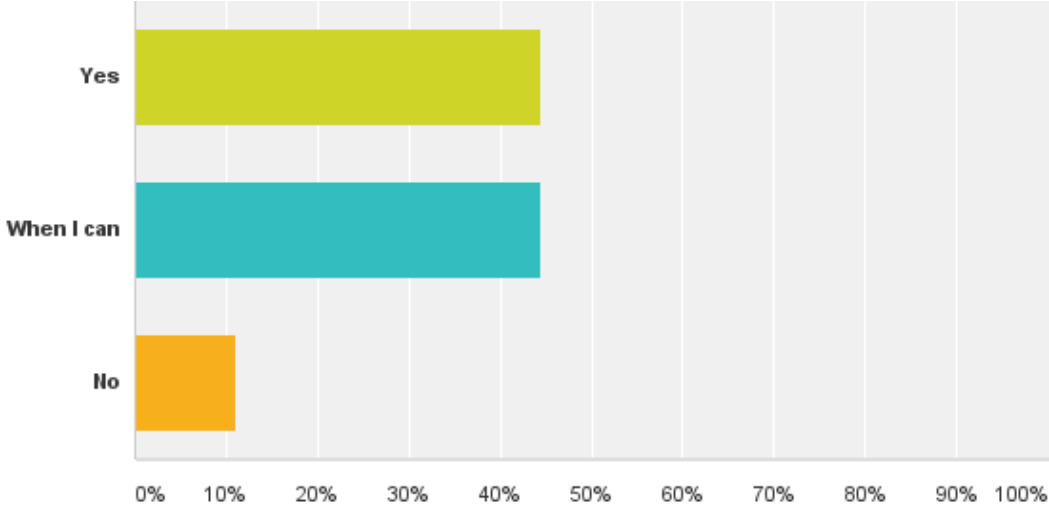
Q18: What is the highest level of education you have completed?

Answered: 37



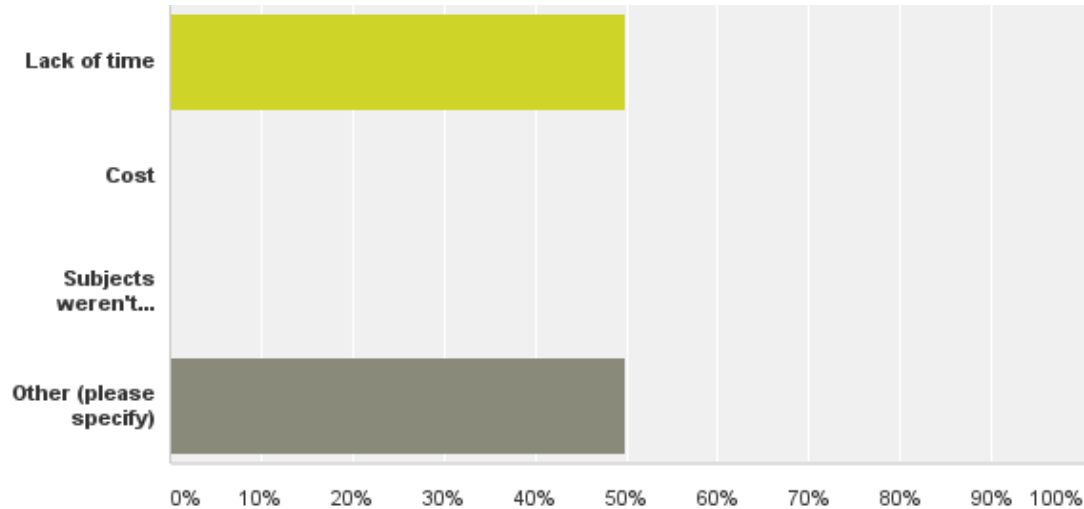
Q19: Do you attend farming workshops?

Answered: 36 Skipped: 3



Q20: If you answer no to the previous question, why haven't you been able to attend?

Answered: 6 Skipped: 33

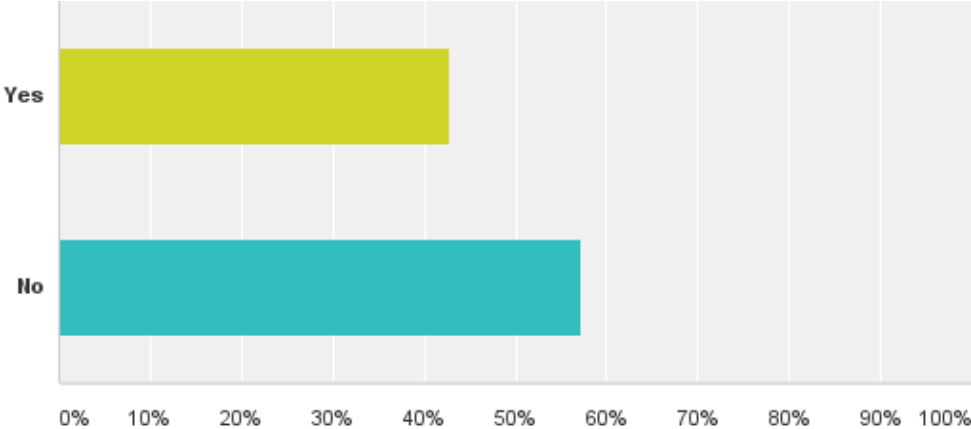


*Other:

- All of the above
- Times
- Childcare

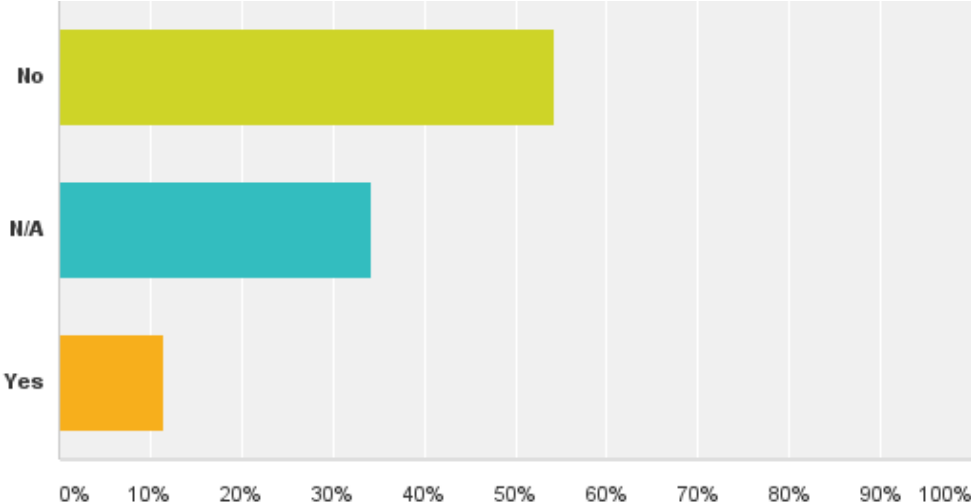
Q21: Do you have a succession plan?

Answered: 35 Skipped: 4



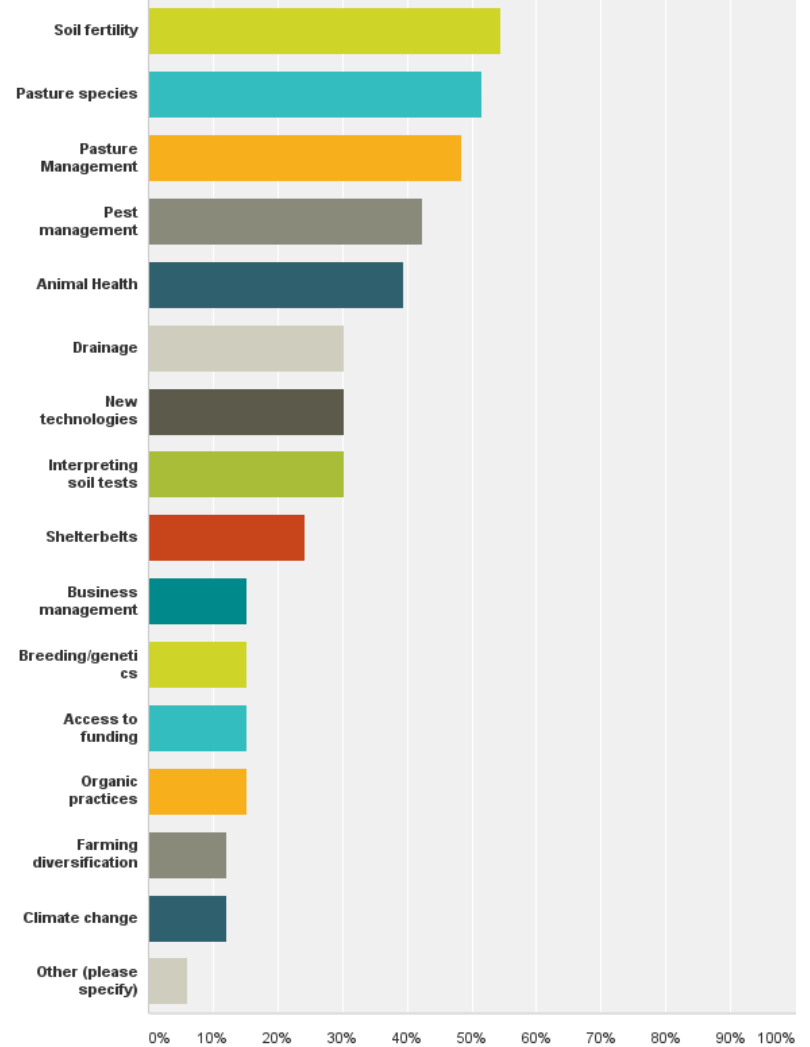
Q22: Would you like help with succession planning?

Answered: 35 Skipped: 4



Q23: Please tell us what you would like to know more about? (You can choose more than one topic)

Answered: 33 Skipped: 6



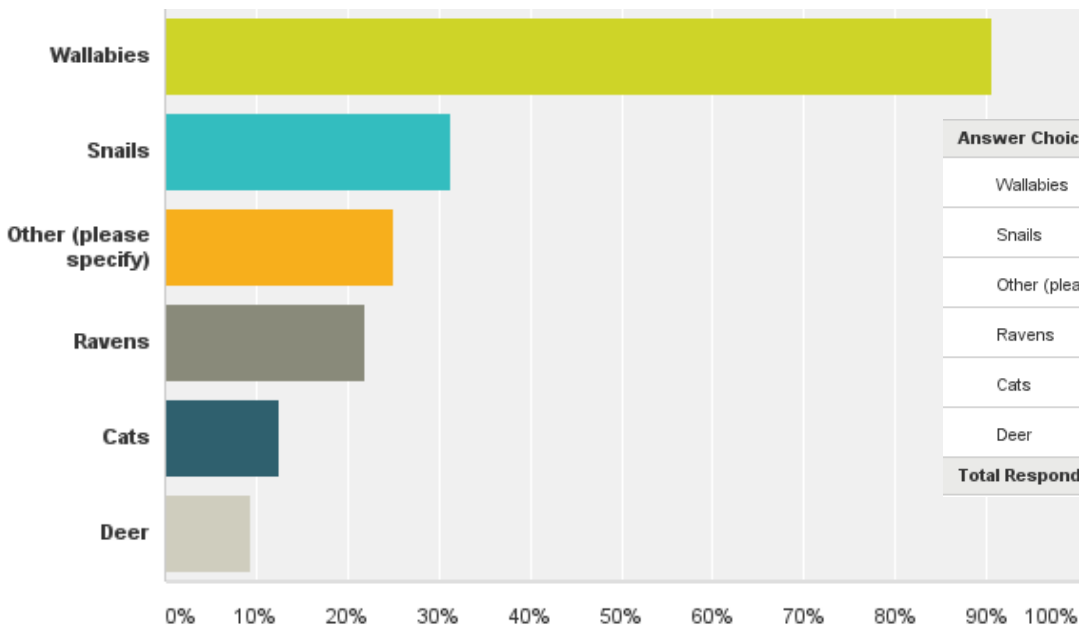
Answer Choices	Responses	
Soil fertility	54.55%	18
Pasture species	51.52%	17
Pasture Management	48.48%	16
Pest management	42.42%	14
Animal Health	39.39%	13
Drainage	30.30%	10
New technologies	30.30%	10
Interpreting soil tests	30.30%	10
Shelterbelts	24.24%	8
Business management	15.15%	5
Breeding/genetics	15.15%	5
Access to funding	15.15%	5
Organic practices	15.15%	5
Farming diversification	12.12%	4
Climate change	12.12%	4
Other (please specify)	6.06%	2
Total Respondents: 33		

*** Other:**

- Understanding soil biology
- Shipping

Q24: What are your main pests concerns?

Answered: 32 Skipped: 7



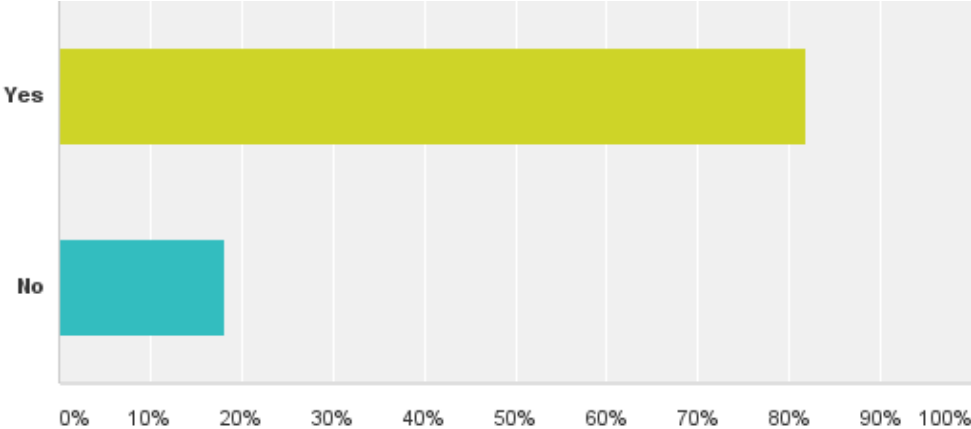
Answer Choices	Responses
Wallabies	90.63% 29
Snails	31.25% 10
Other (please specify)	25.00% 8
Ravens	21.88% 7
Cats	12.50% 4
Deer	9.38% 3
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*Other:

- Cockchafers/ Grubs/ army worms
- Swans
- Crickets
- Pasture pests
- Ducks

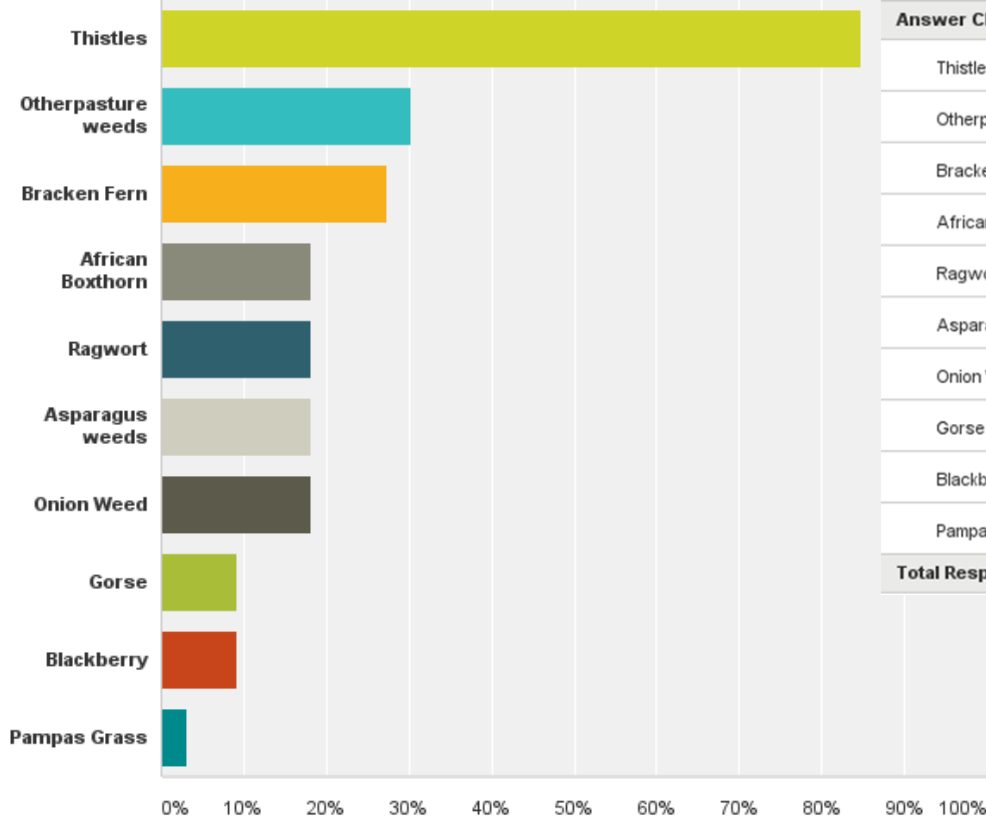
Q25: Do you cull wallabies on your property

Answered: 33 Skipped: 6



Q26: What are your main Weed concerns? (you can choose more than one option)

Answered: 33 Skipped: 6

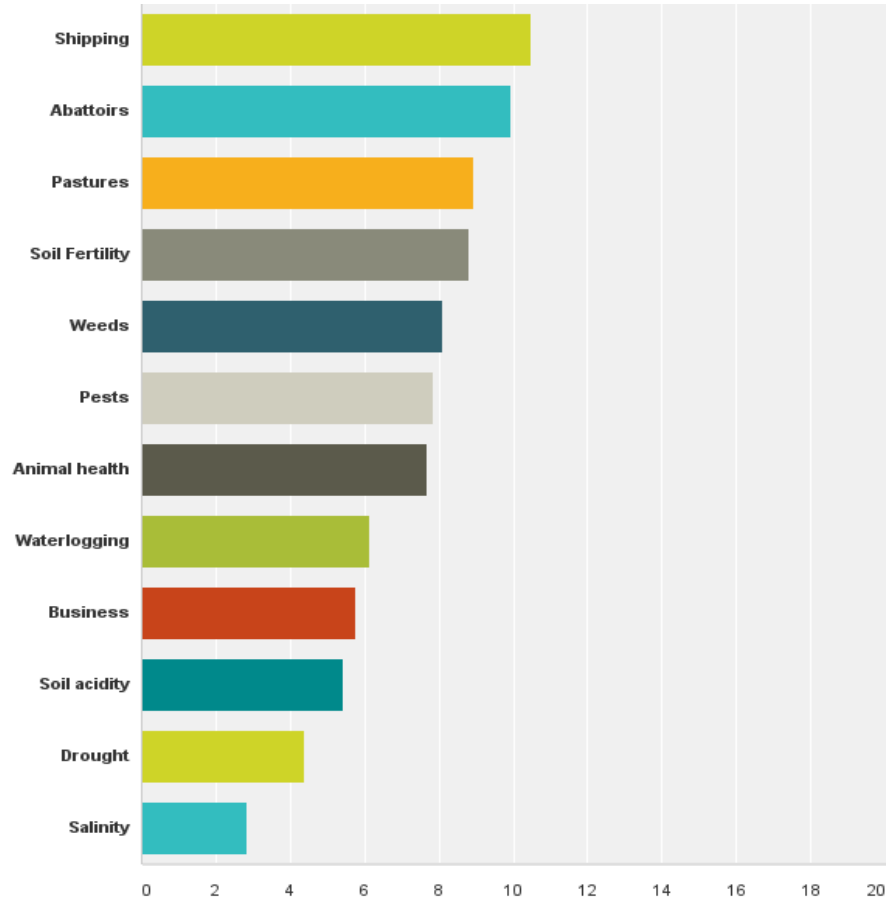


Answer Choices	Responses
Thistles	84.85% 28
Otherpasture weeds	30.30% 10
Bracken Fern	27.27% 9
African Boxthorn	18.18% 6
Ragwort	18.18% 6
Asparagus weeds	18.18% 6
Onion Weed	18.18% 6
Gorse	9.09% 3
Blackberry	9.09% 3
Pampas Grass	3.03% 1
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- * Other:**
- Capeweed
 - Rushers
 - Fescue
 - Inkweed
 - Broadleaf weeds
 - Sea spurge
 - Yarrow

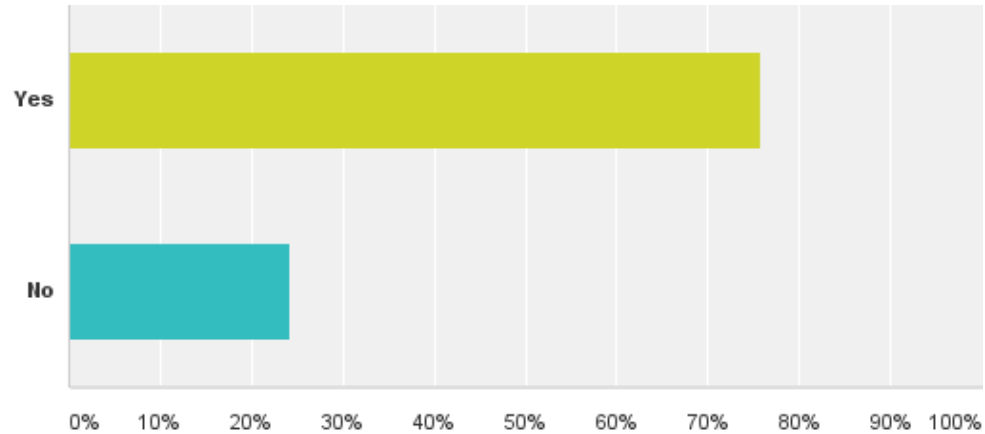
Q27: What are your major agricultural concerns? Please rank it as per level of concern being number 1 issue that most concerns you

Answered: 33 Skipped: 6



Q28: Would you be interested in having a private agricultural consultant on the island?

Answered: 33 Skipped: 6



Do you have any other comments or concerns?

- All the clearing of bush in our area, by cattle and machinery