

# A Survey on Attitudes & Perceptions of People with Disabilities

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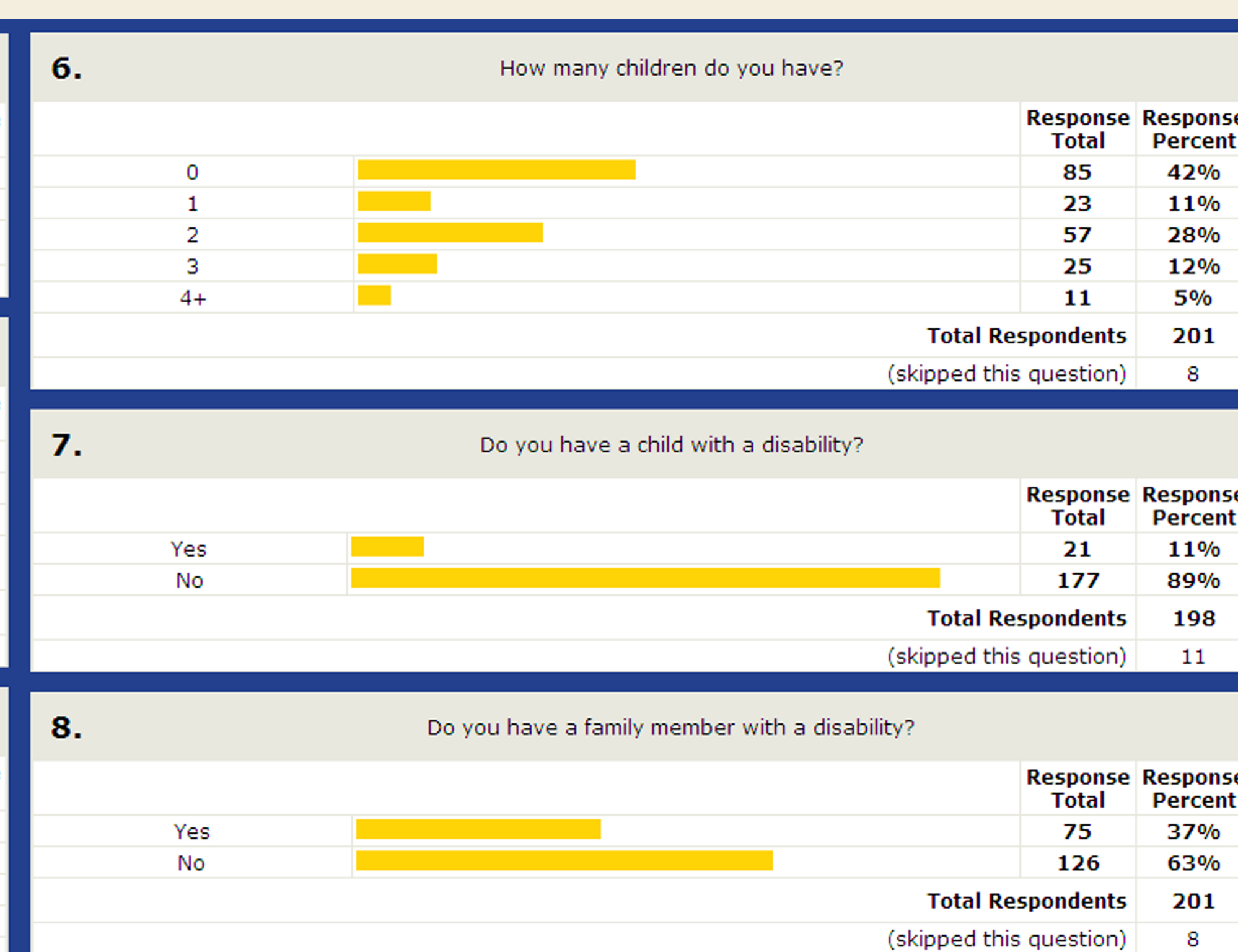
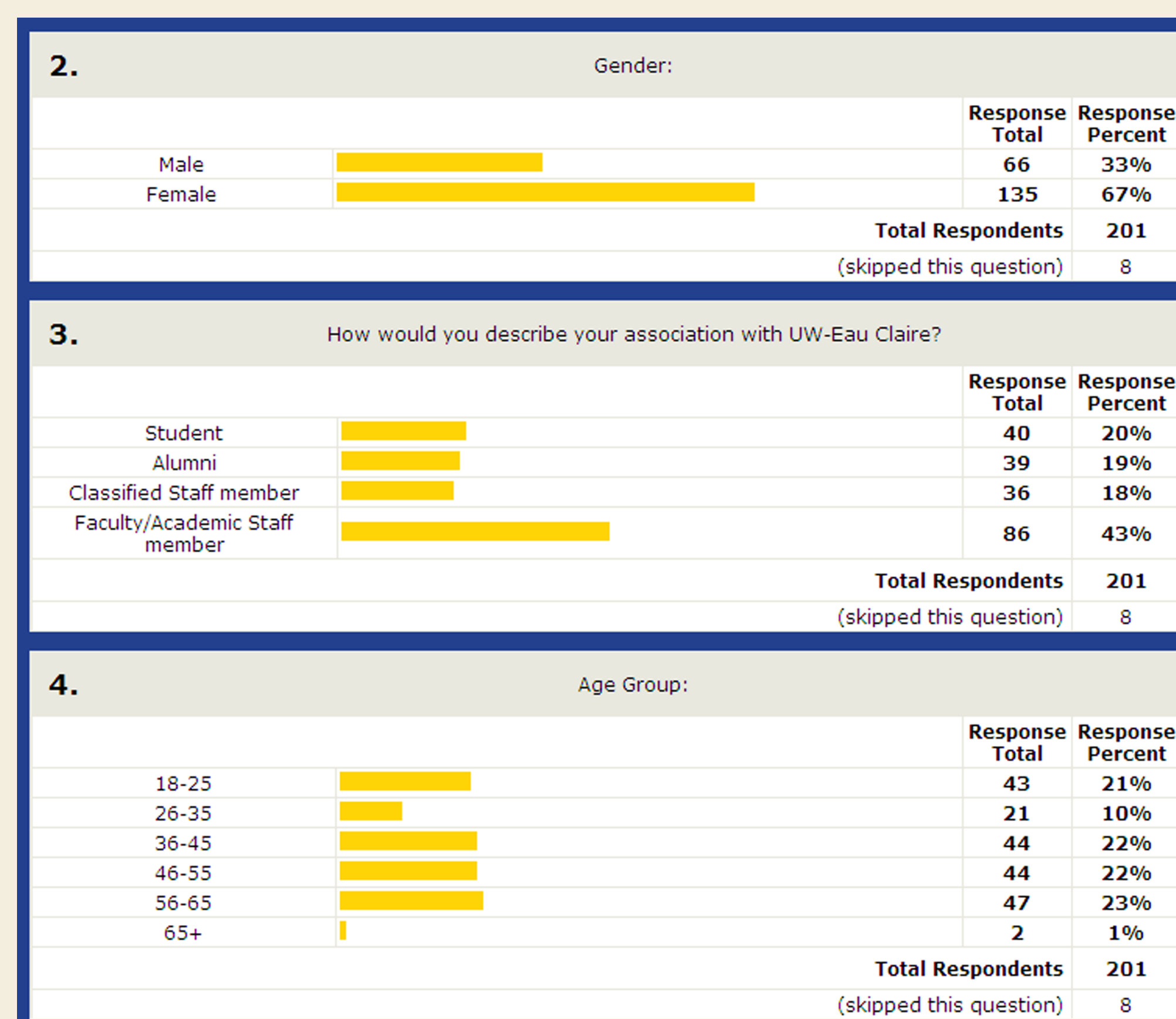
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## Purpose

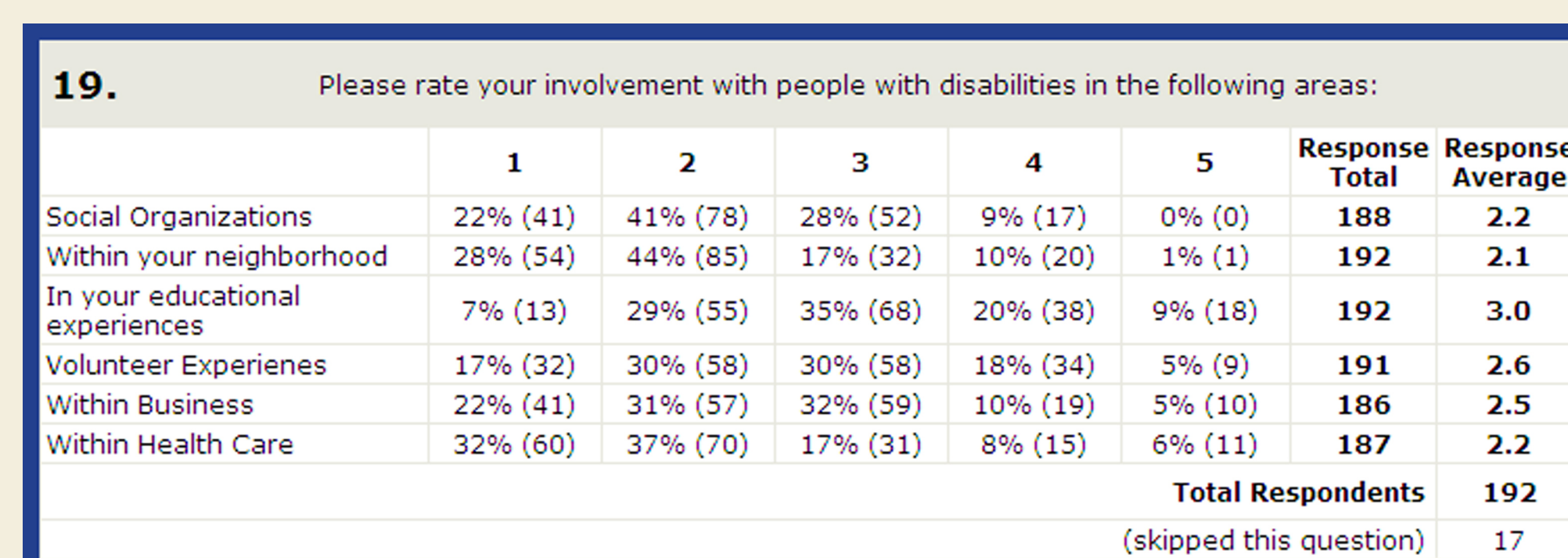
- Descriptive pilot study
- Gather insight into people's attitudes and perceptions of people with disabilities

## Respondent Information

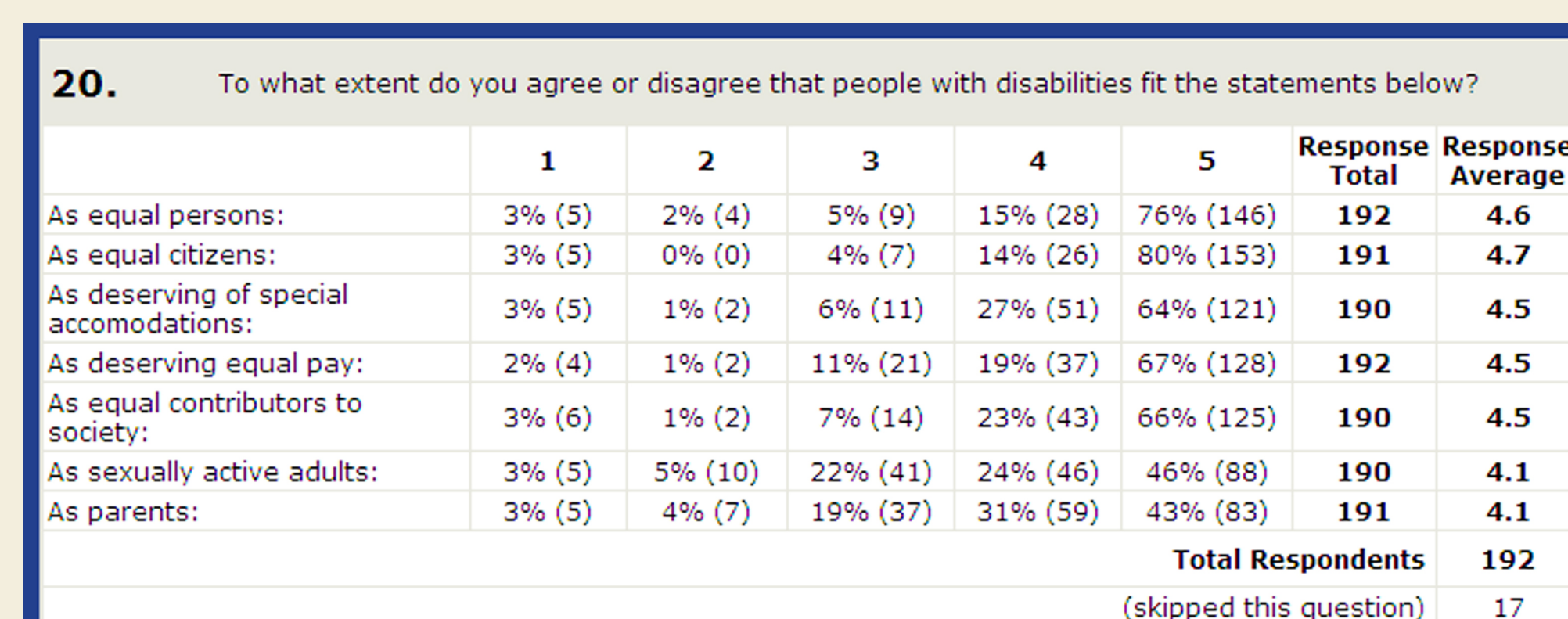
- 201 respondents out of 774 sample: Response Rate = 26%
- Respondent Attributes (6 of 18) featured below



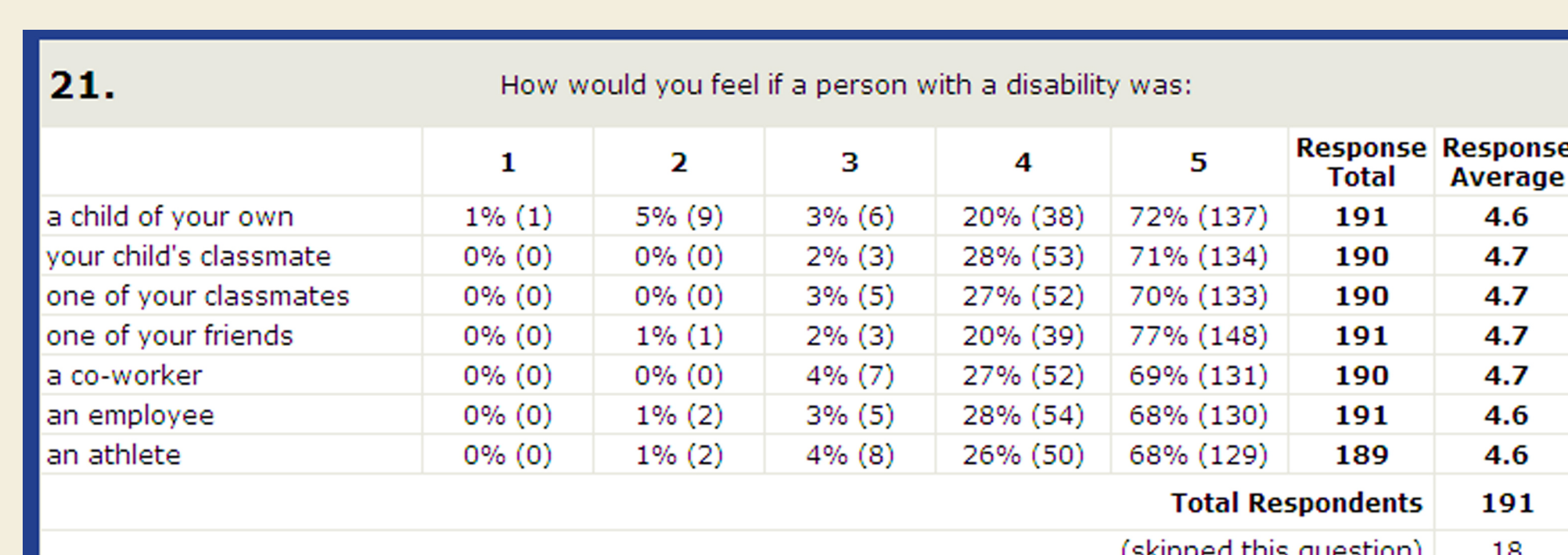
## Respondent Ratings



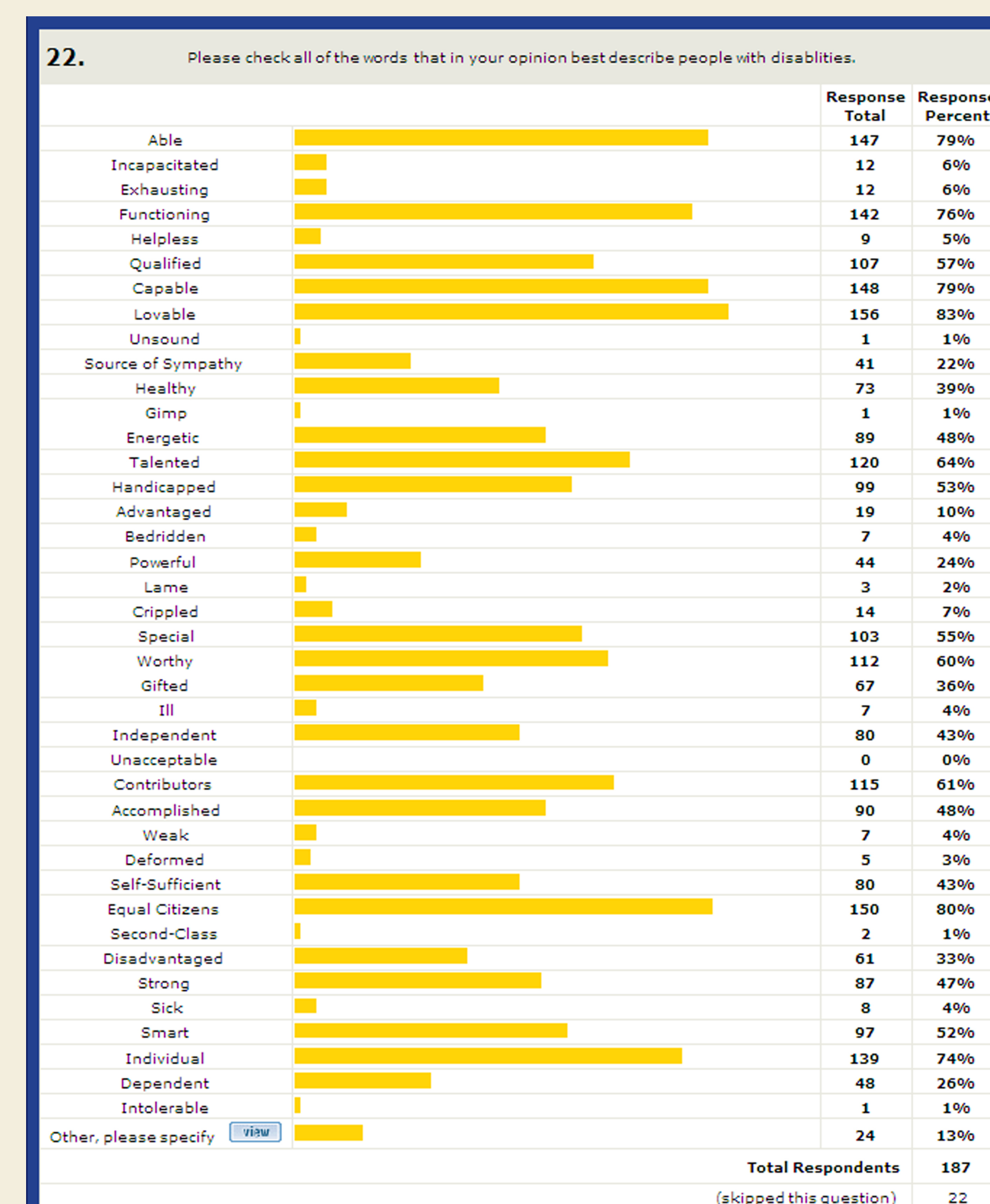
Scale: 1 = Never, 2= Hardly Ever, 3 = Occasionally, 4 =Frequently, 5 = Consistently



Scale: 1 = Strongly Disagree, 3 = Neutral, 5 = Strongly Agree



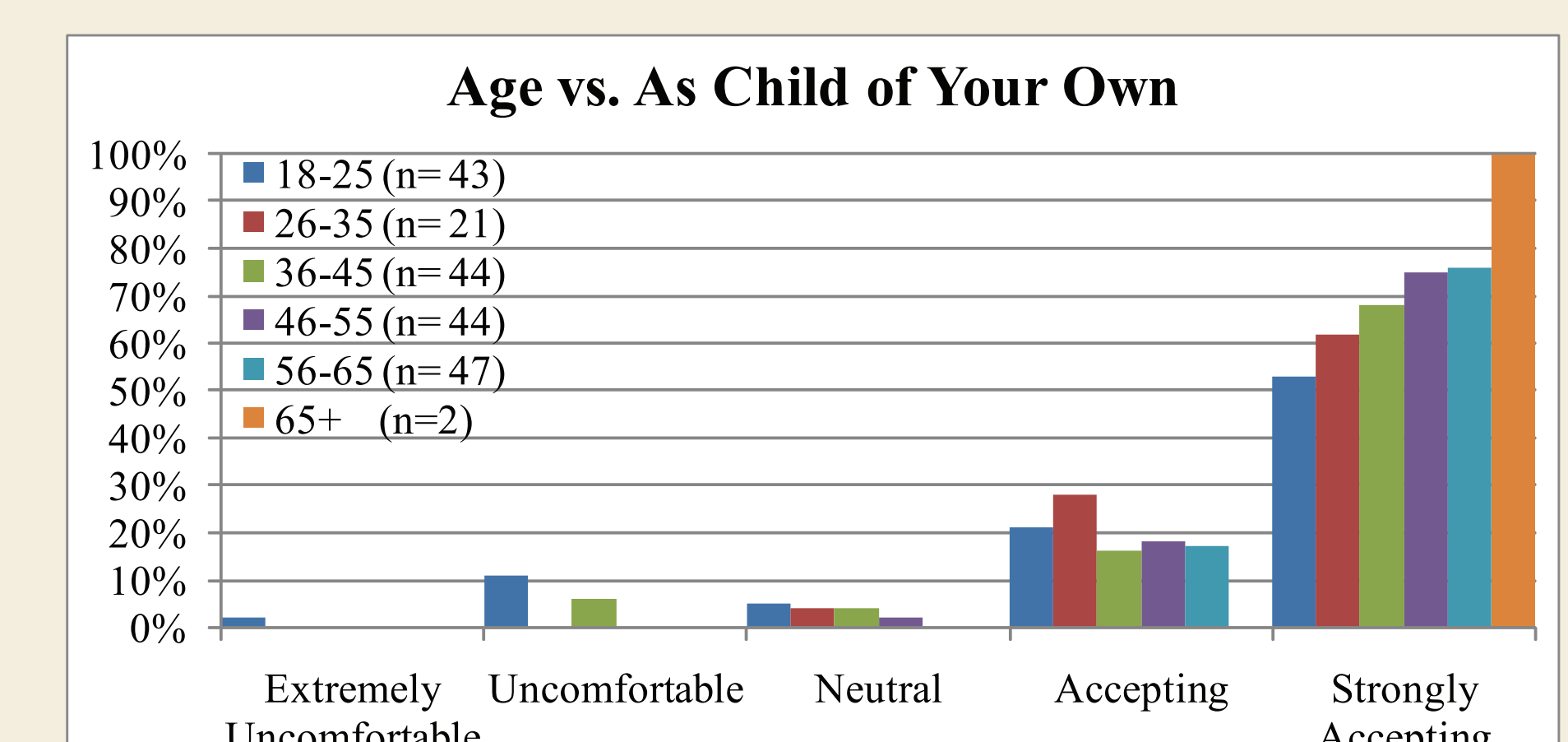
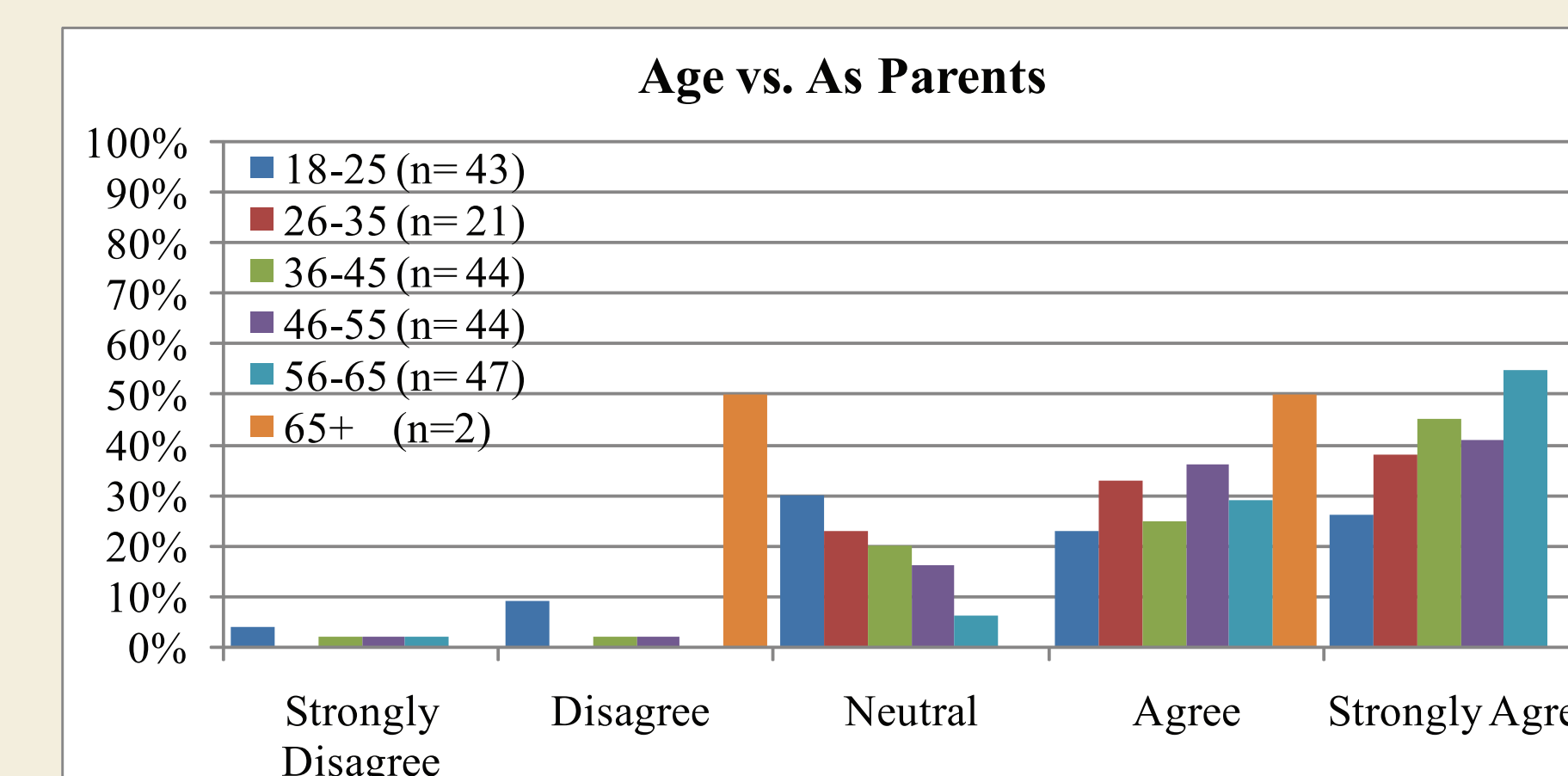
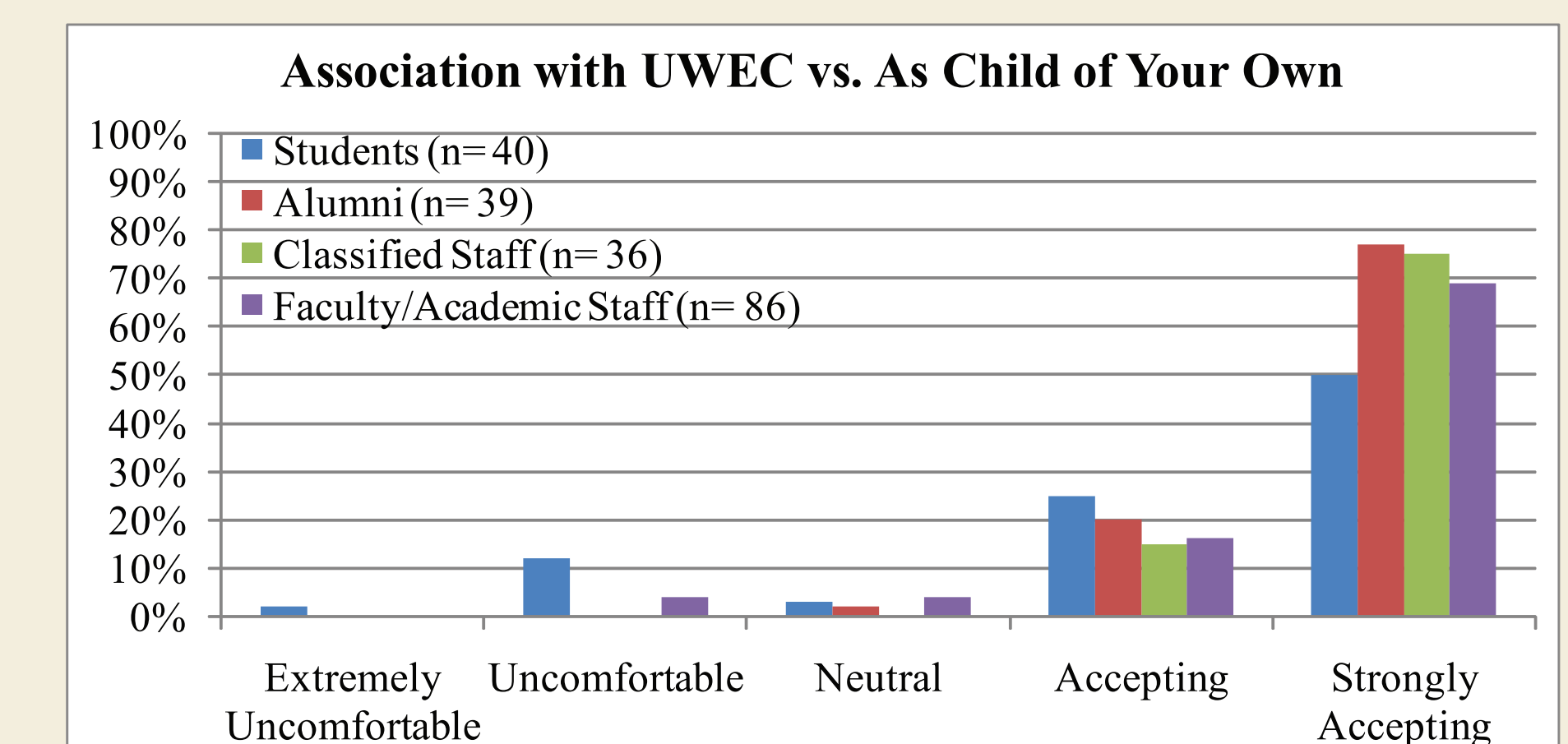
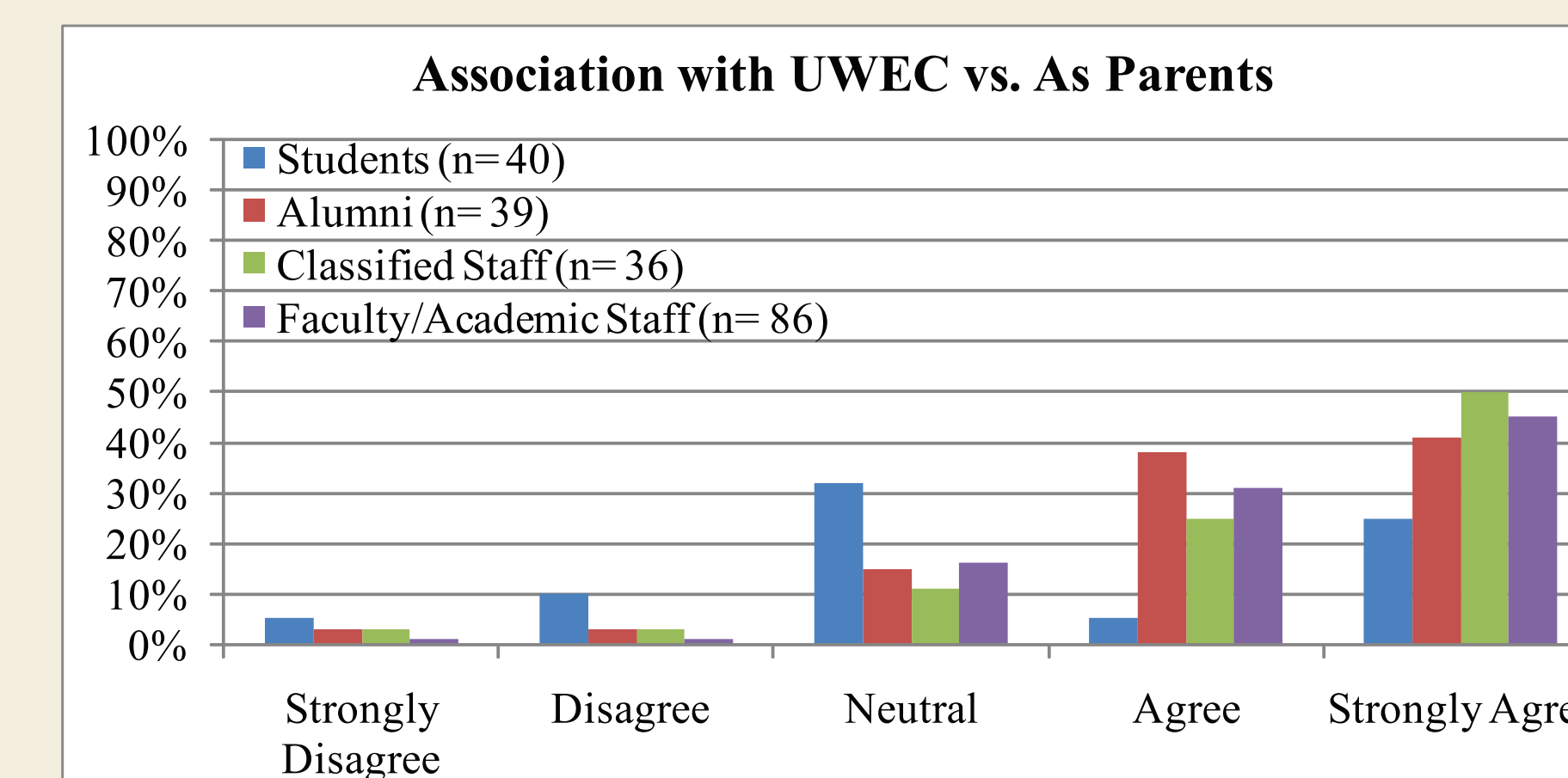
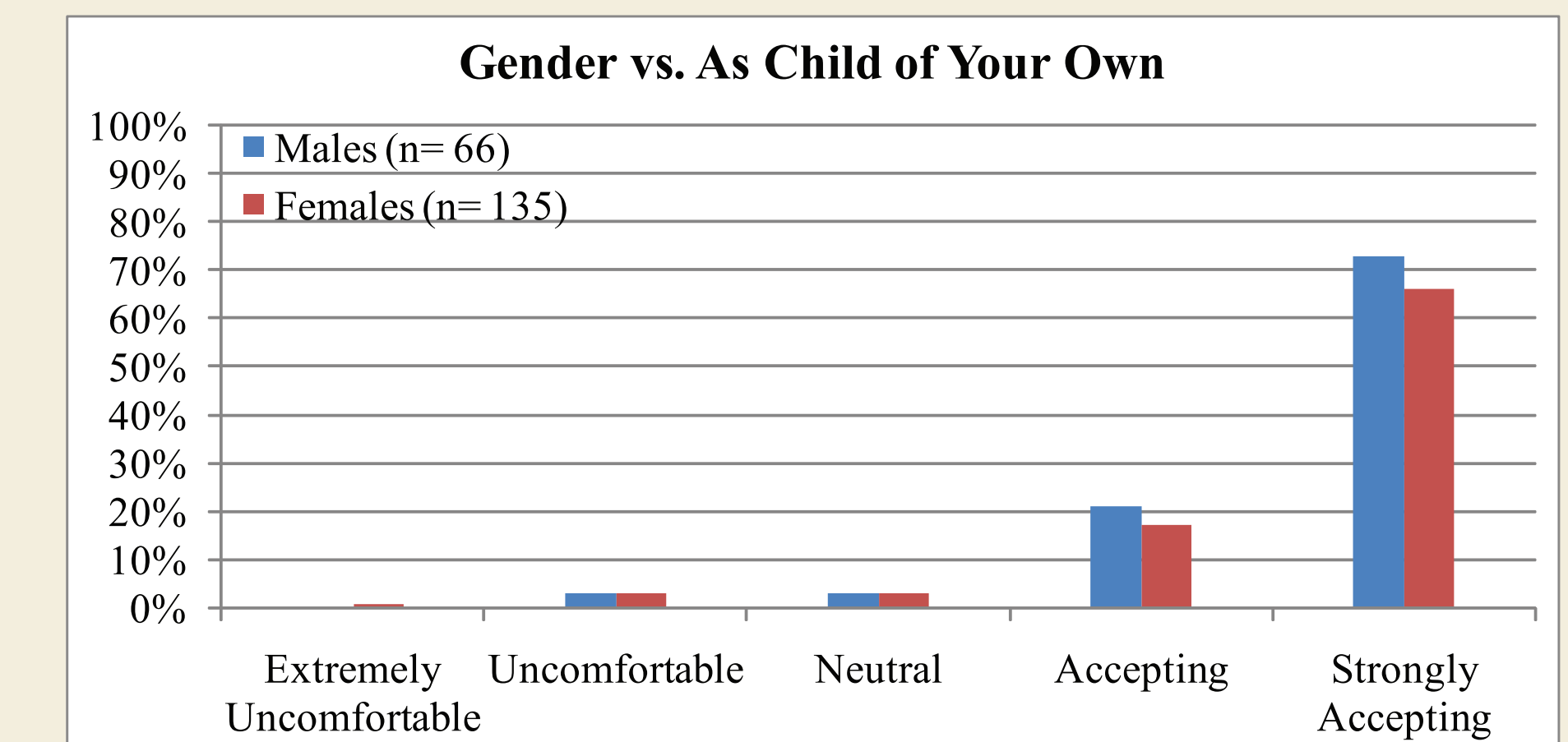
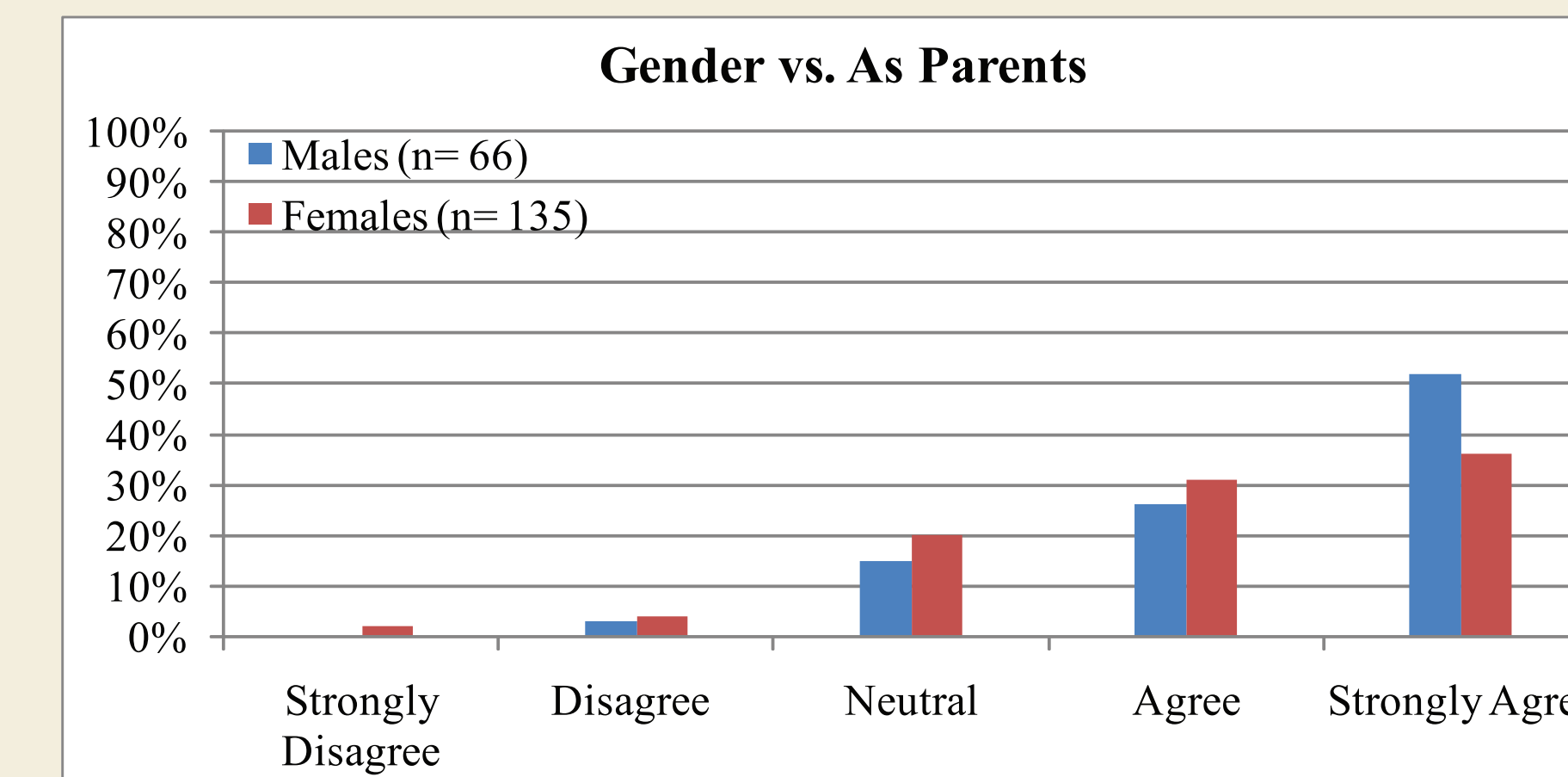
Scale: 1 = Extremely Uncomfortable, 3 = Neutral, 5 = Strongly Accepting



Most Frequently Chosen: Least Frequently Chosen:

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|----------------|--------------|
| Lovable        | Second-class |
| Equal Citizens | Intolerable  |
| Capable        | Unsound      |
| Able           | Gimp         |
| Functioning    | Unacceptable |

## Findings



## Examples of Respondent Feedback

I do not judge people based on a group-designation, but as individuals.

These are such generalizations. People with disabilities are as varied as any group of human beings and disabilities differ too.

These questions depend on what you call a disability.

Because nobody is normal, we should treat all the same.

Without defining clear criteria/definitions for "persons with disabilities" it is impossible to reasonably answer any of these questions.

This was really a difficult survey to complete because of lumping all people with disabilities into one category. There are so many different disabilities that people can have and affect them differently that I found it tough to generalize about the population.

As a health care provider I've worked with many people with disabilities. Any of the words could be used to describe – it depends on the person.

## Limitations:

- Descriptive study
- No provided definition of disability

- Not generalizable
- Some respondents skipped questions