

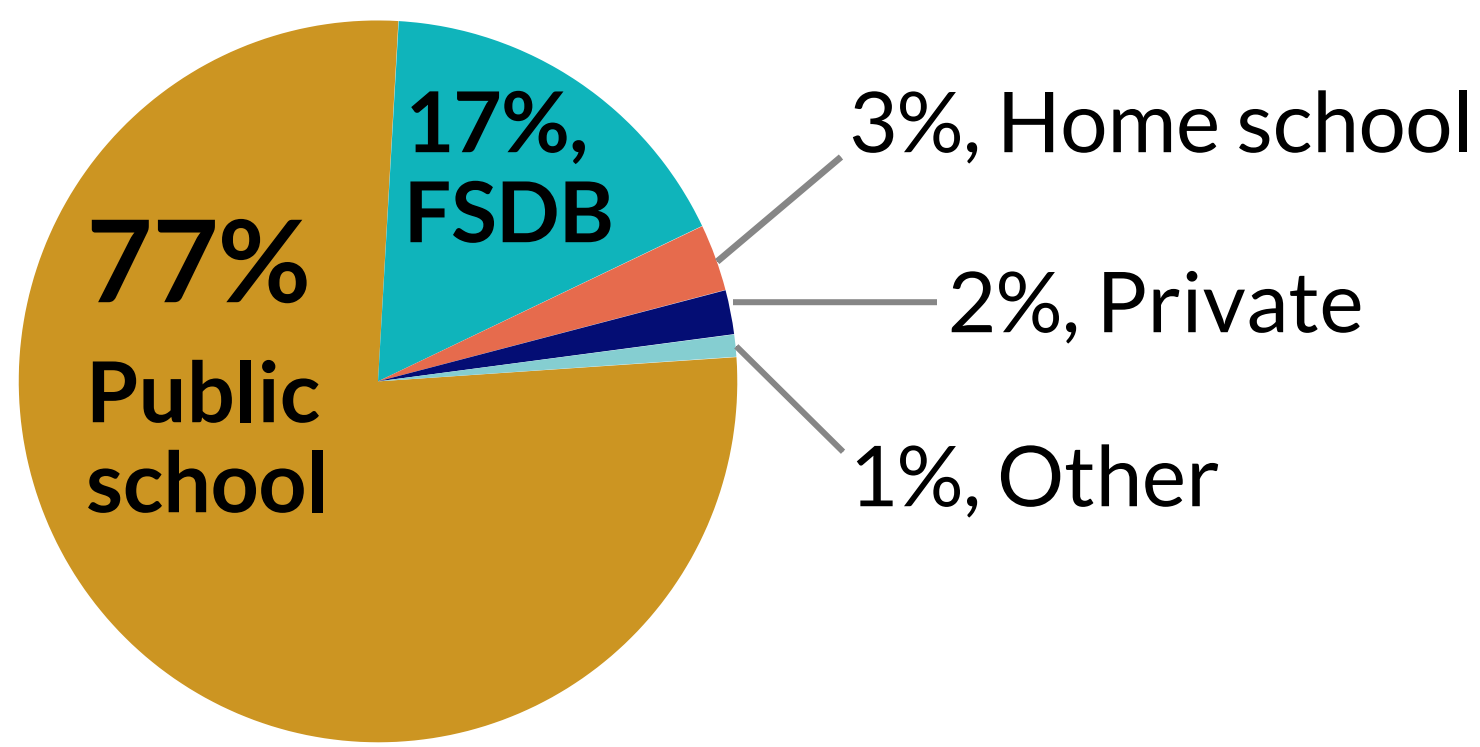


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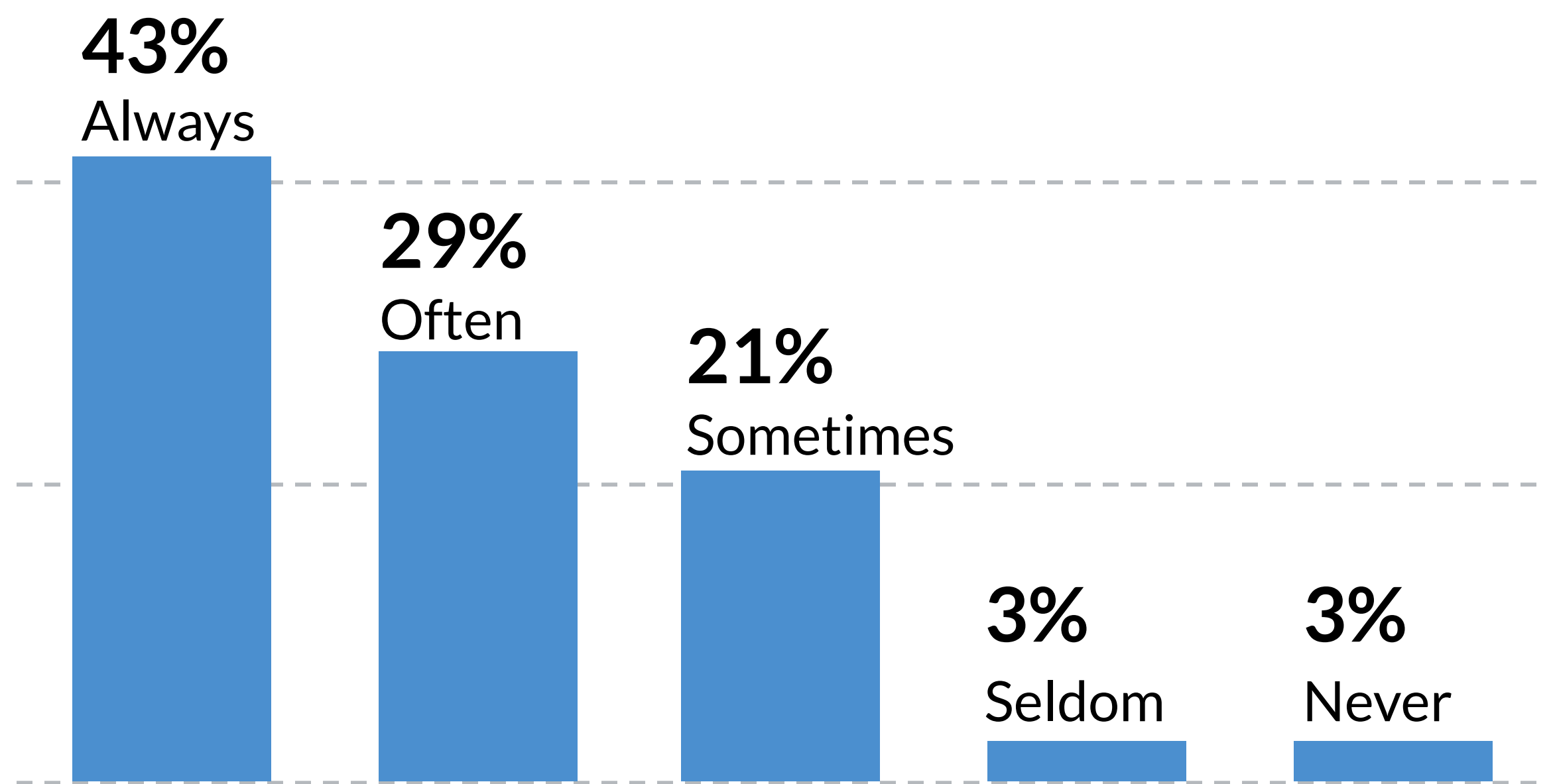
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Findings include data from the 69 surveys received from parents during 4 Braille Challenge events in Florida during February and March 2020.

Most children who participated in the Braille Challenge events attend the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind (FSDB) or another public school.

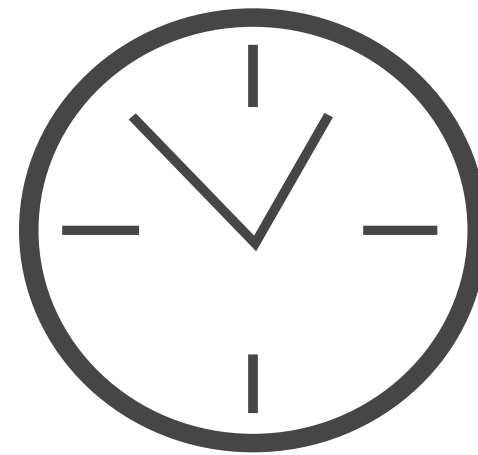


43% of parents who responded to this question on the survey reported that their child always receives braille materials on time.

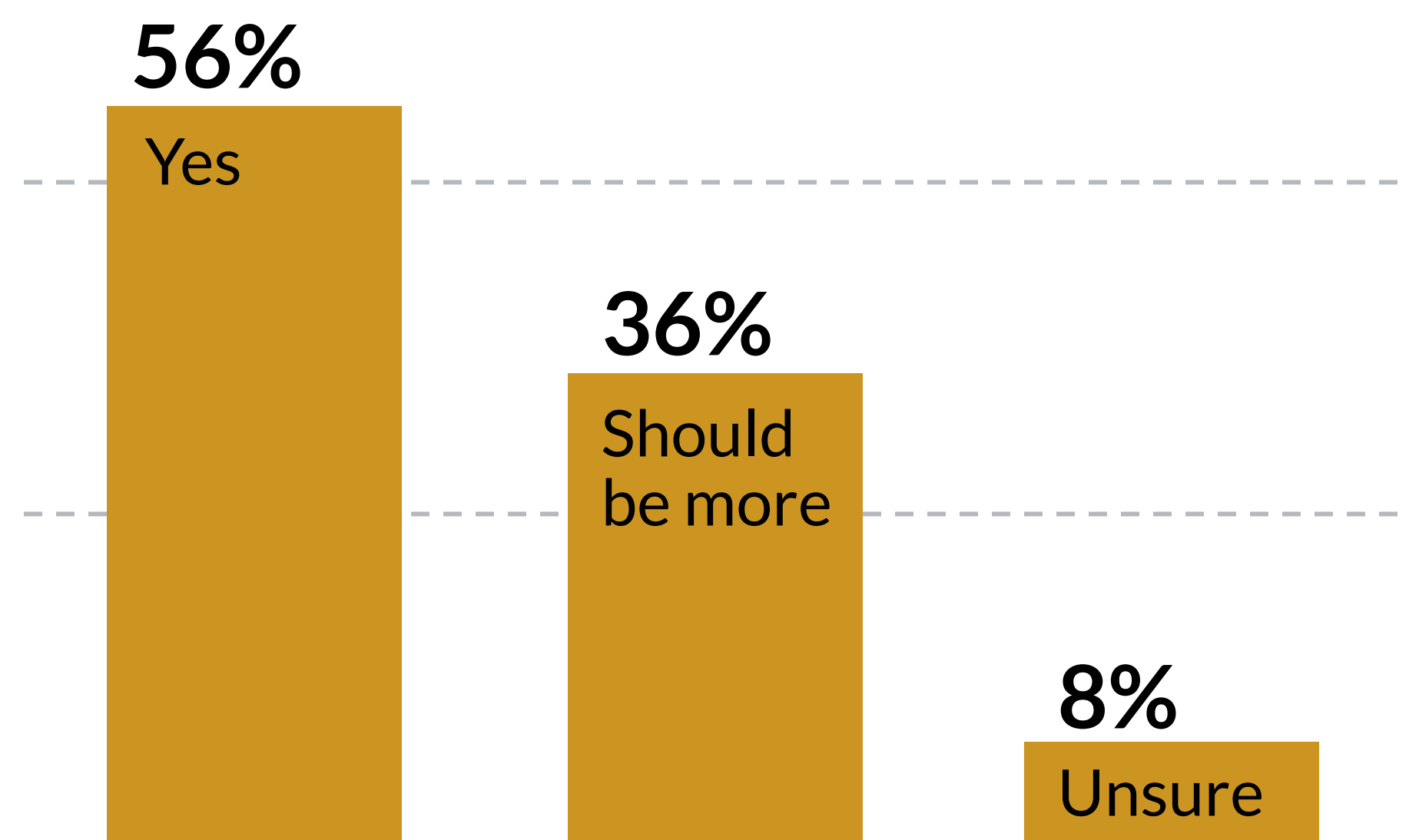
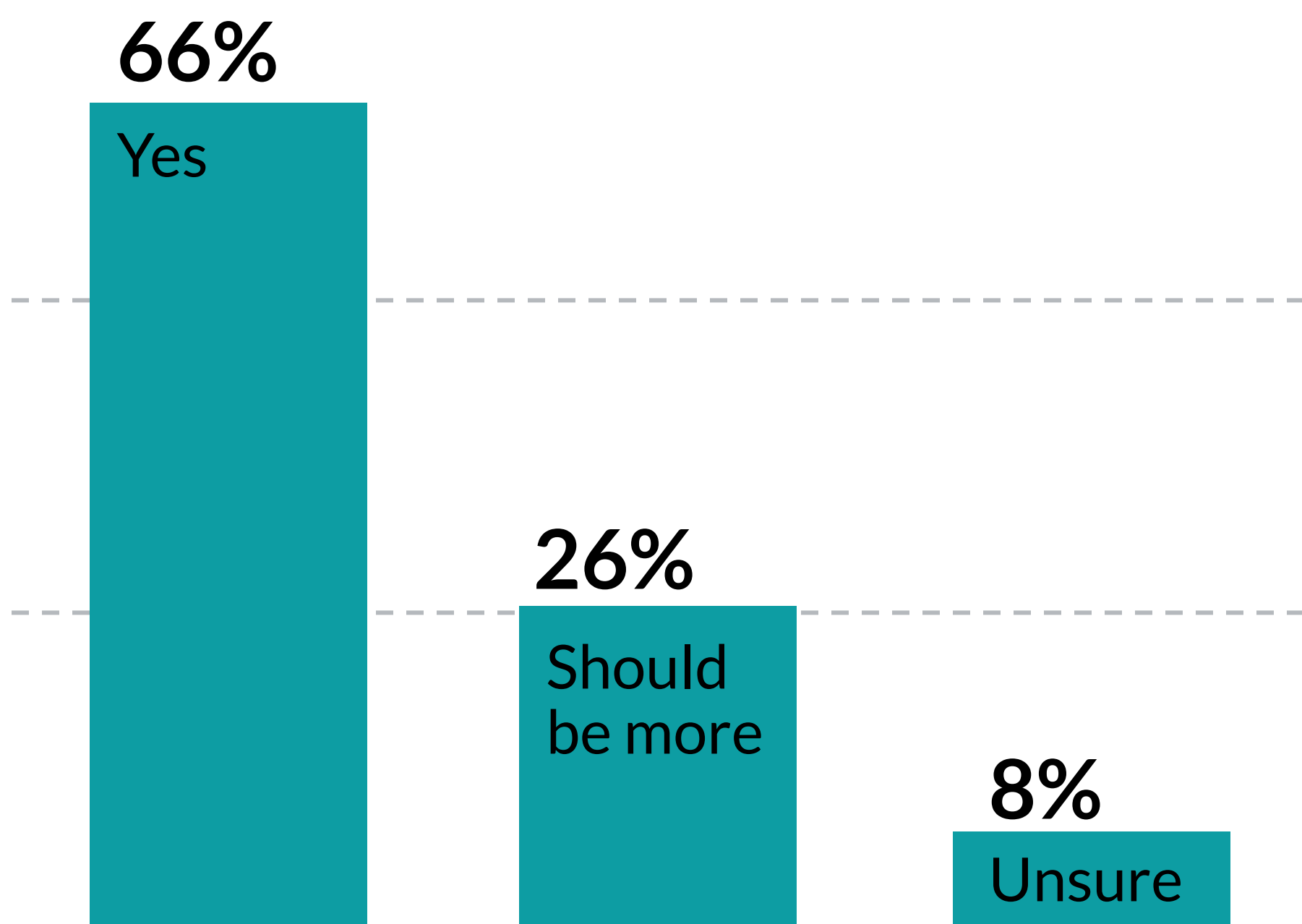


## Time spent on the IEP for Vision Services/Braille Instruction

Does the amount of time on **Vision Services/Braille Instruction** seem right?



Does the amount of time per week on the IEP your child has for **O&M Services** seem right?



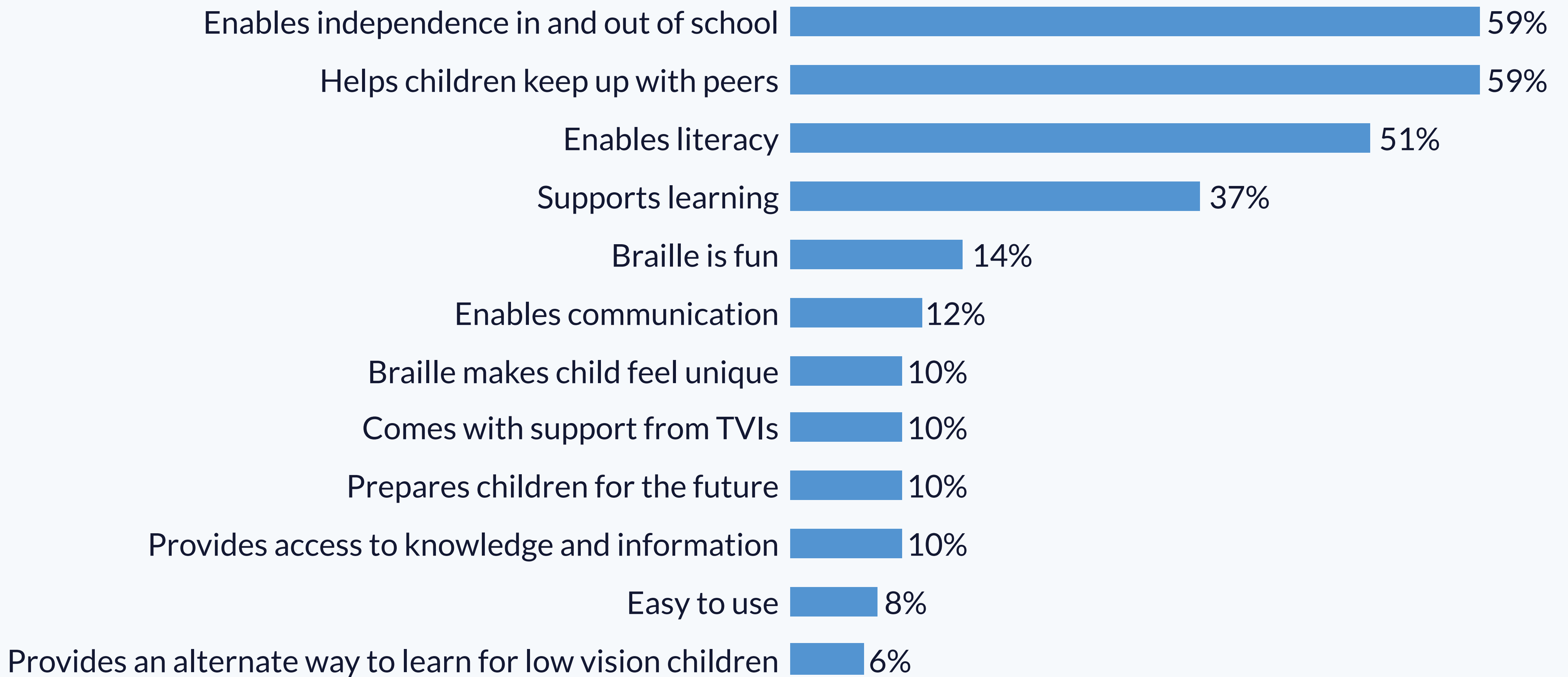


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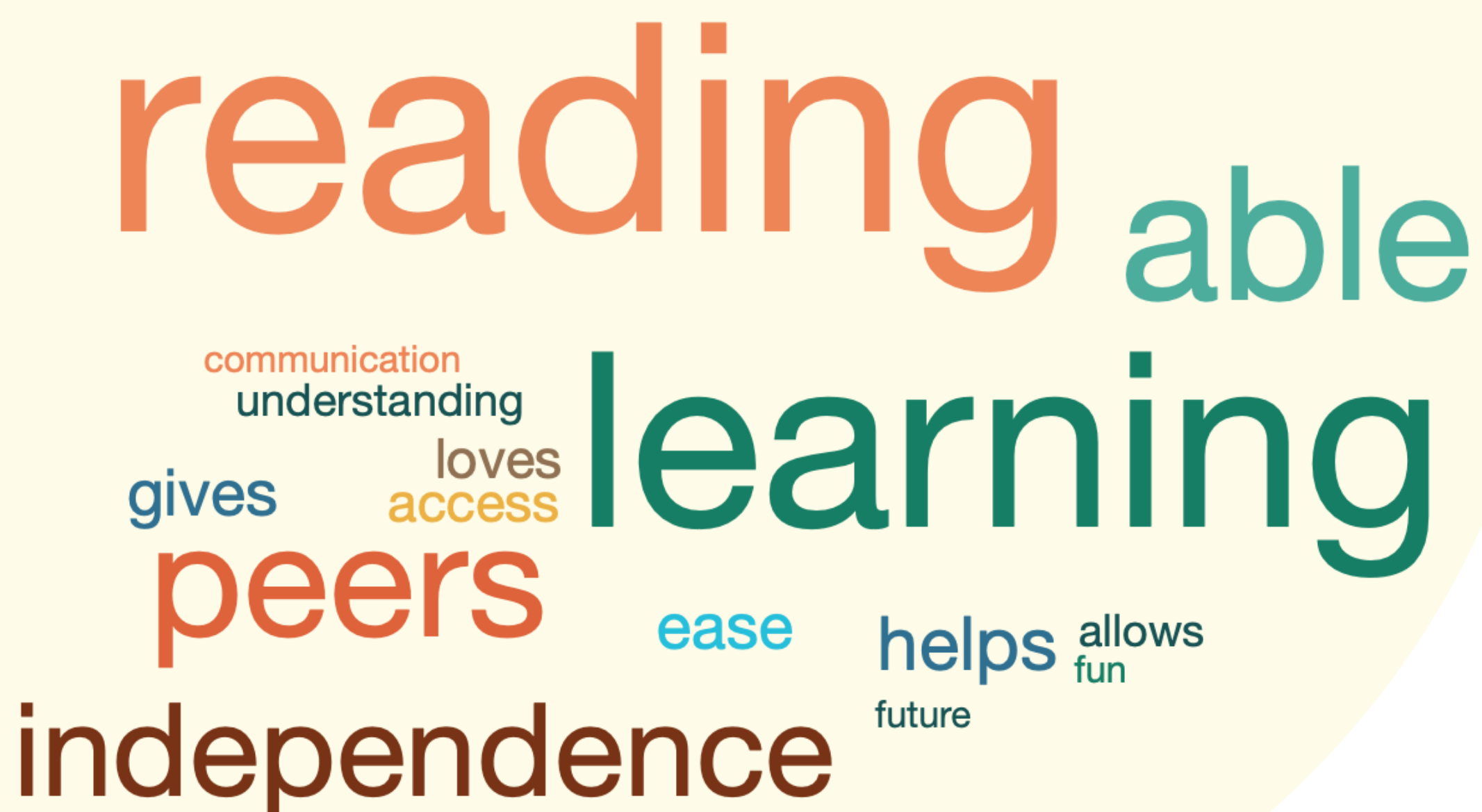
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## How Braille Benefits Students

49 parents responded and shared 152 things that they/their child like about using braille in school. The different things that parents reported liking about braille are listed in the chart below. Each percentage represents the proportion of parents that liked a given factor.



Parents shared a number of things that they/their child like about using braille in school. The biggest words in the word cloud below are some of the words that parents used most frequently.



### Parent quotes about the most common benefits of braille:

#### Supports learning



- “It is imperative for my daughters to have Braille materials so they can do well in school.”

#### Enables independence in and out of school



- “He can read independently.”
- “She likes being able to find her classrooms on her own and knowing where the escalators are at malls (lol).”

#### Helps children keep up with peers



- “Can learn just as much as his sighted peers.”
- “Keeps my child in the loop with what others are doing.”

#### Enables literacy

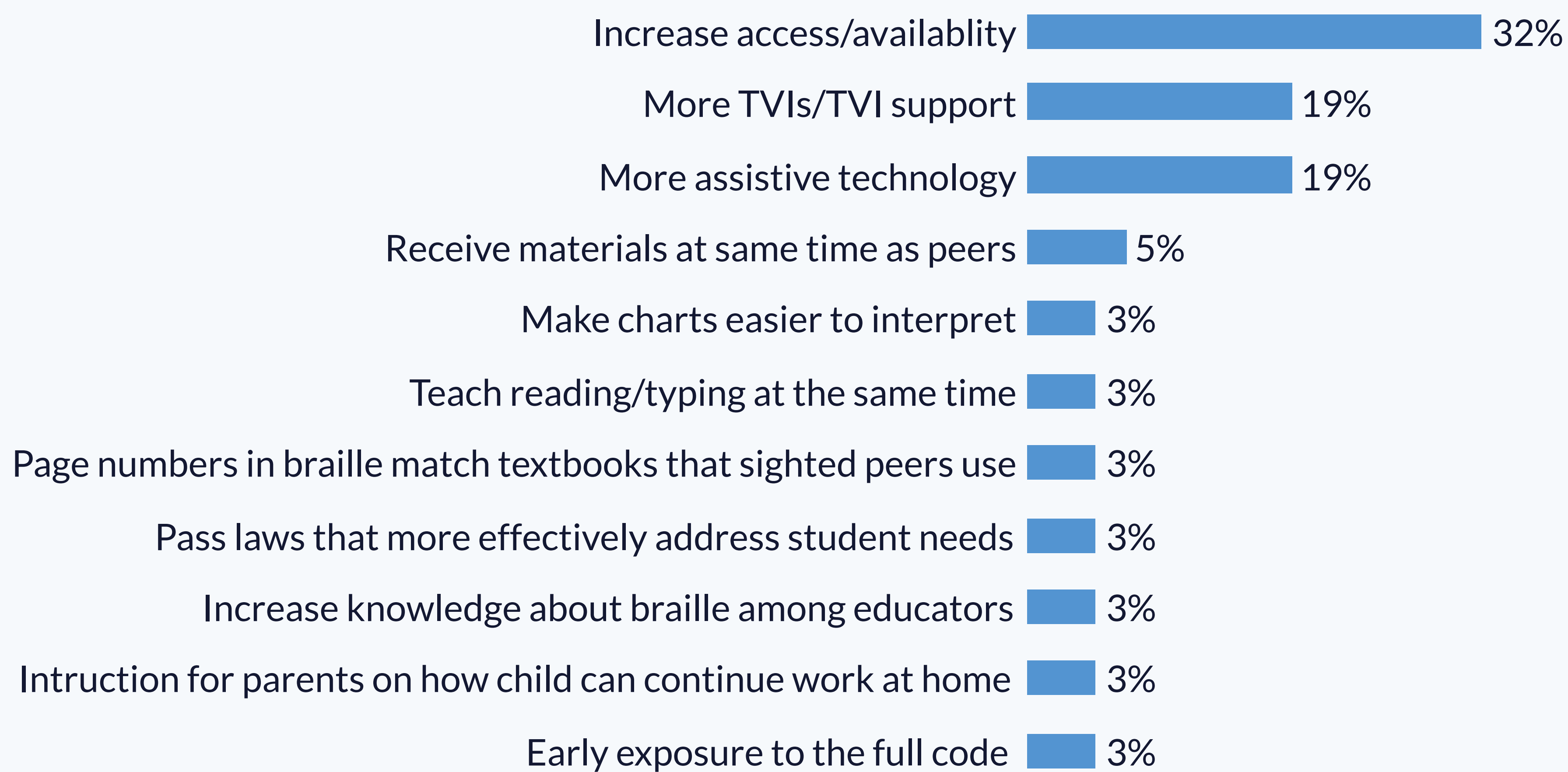


- “She learned punctuation/spelling. Formatting documents.”
- “Braille makes my child want to read.”



# Parent Recommendations for Improving Braille

37 parents responded and shared 40 ways that braille in school could be improved to make it easier for their child to learn. The most common improvements are listed in the chart below. Each percentage represents the proportion of parents that recommended a given improvement.



## Parent quotes about the most common recommendations for improving braille:

### Increase access/availability



- “Make materials more accessible. Not all lessons are done in braille.”
- “More materials so she can do more at home.”

### More Assistive Technology



- “Find funds so the family can purchase the technology for the kids to have at home.”

### More TVIs/TVI support



- “The most important thing is for them to have a full-time teacher.”
- “More TVIs and braille to help more children.”
- “Increase access to TVIs for homeschooled children.”

### More support from school



- “The school should get more involved with braille.”
- “Increase knowledge about braille among educators.”

### Increased knowledge about braille among peers



- “Have the classmates learn some braille along with my child. Maybe a lesson or two.”