



ACCU Activities

2021 edition

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What is ACCU?

- **Advisory Committee of CERN Users (ACCU)**
- Forum for discussion between CERN Management and the representatives of the CERN Users community (Delegates)
 - to review the practical means taken by CERN for the work of Users
 - Website where you can read the mandate: <https://accu.web.cern.ch/>
- Each member State: 1 or 2 Delegates (depending on size)
- Each associate members: 1 Delegate
- Non-member states: 4 Delegates (organised in regions)
- CERN: 2 Delegates
- The Chairperson of ACCU is elected from among the Delegates.
- I am the Swedish 🇸🇪 delegate from Jan 2020 but **I have never been to a meeting in person yet**

ACCU Meetings

- ACCU meetings are held **four times per year**.
- The meetings are closed
 - agenda, minutes and uploaded presentations are open and are accessible by anyone (with exceptions)
 - <https://indico.cern.ch/category/1058/>
 - The meetings have minutes, so you can check everything we discuss
- The meetings of ACCU are attended by a member of the Directorate, often the DG, by the Head of the Users' Support, who also acts as ACCU Secretary, as well as by other members of the CERN Management and Departmental Representatives.
- A representative of the CERN Staff Association also attends the meetings.

Topics discussed in ACCU meetings

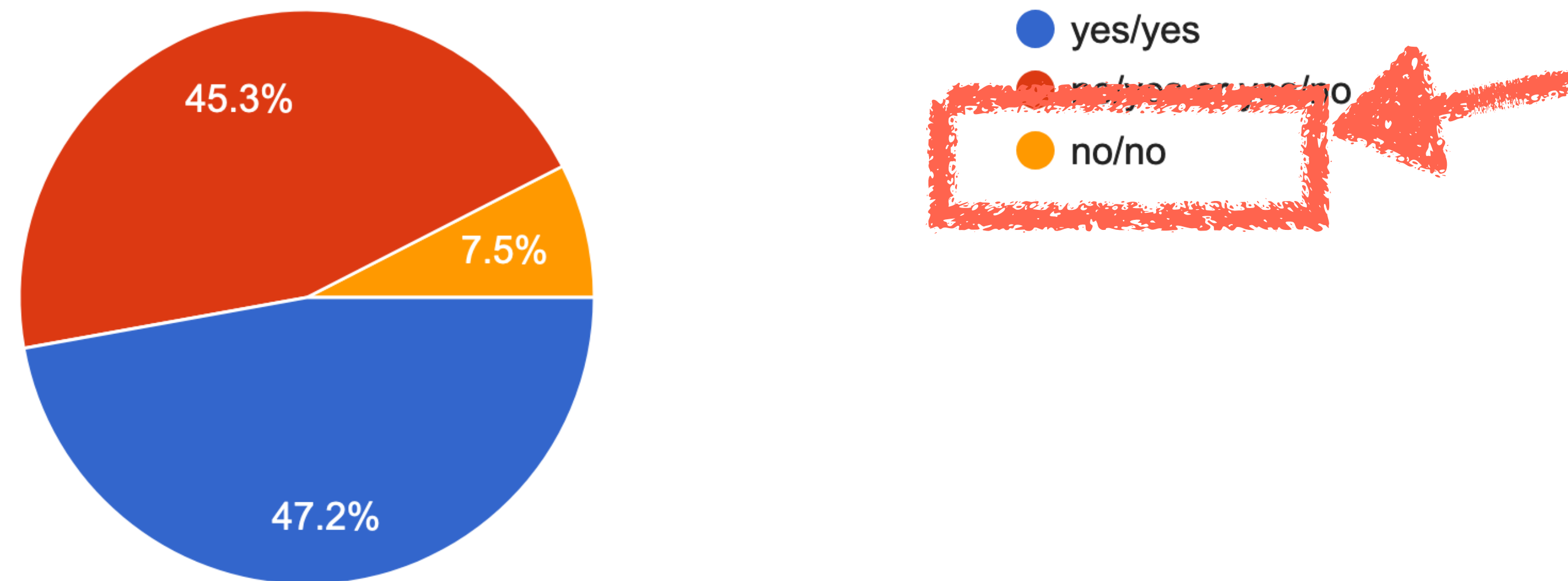
- There are many topics discussed by ACCU:
 - Health care
 - Housing
 - Travel, Mobility, and Transport
 - Environment
 - CERN Restaurants
 - ...
- <https://accu.web.cern.ch/node/27>
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Up to you! If there is anything you think we should be discussing, or something you have questions for, let me know!

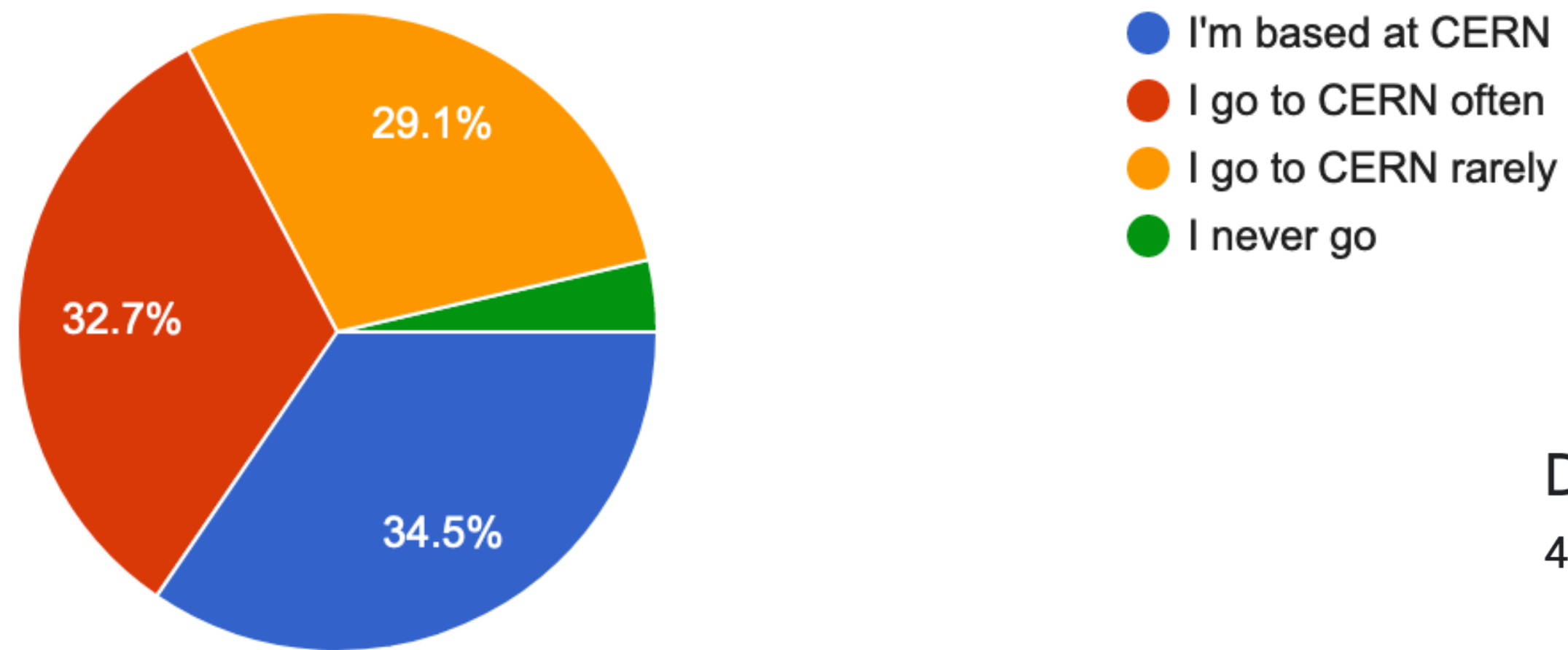


Last year

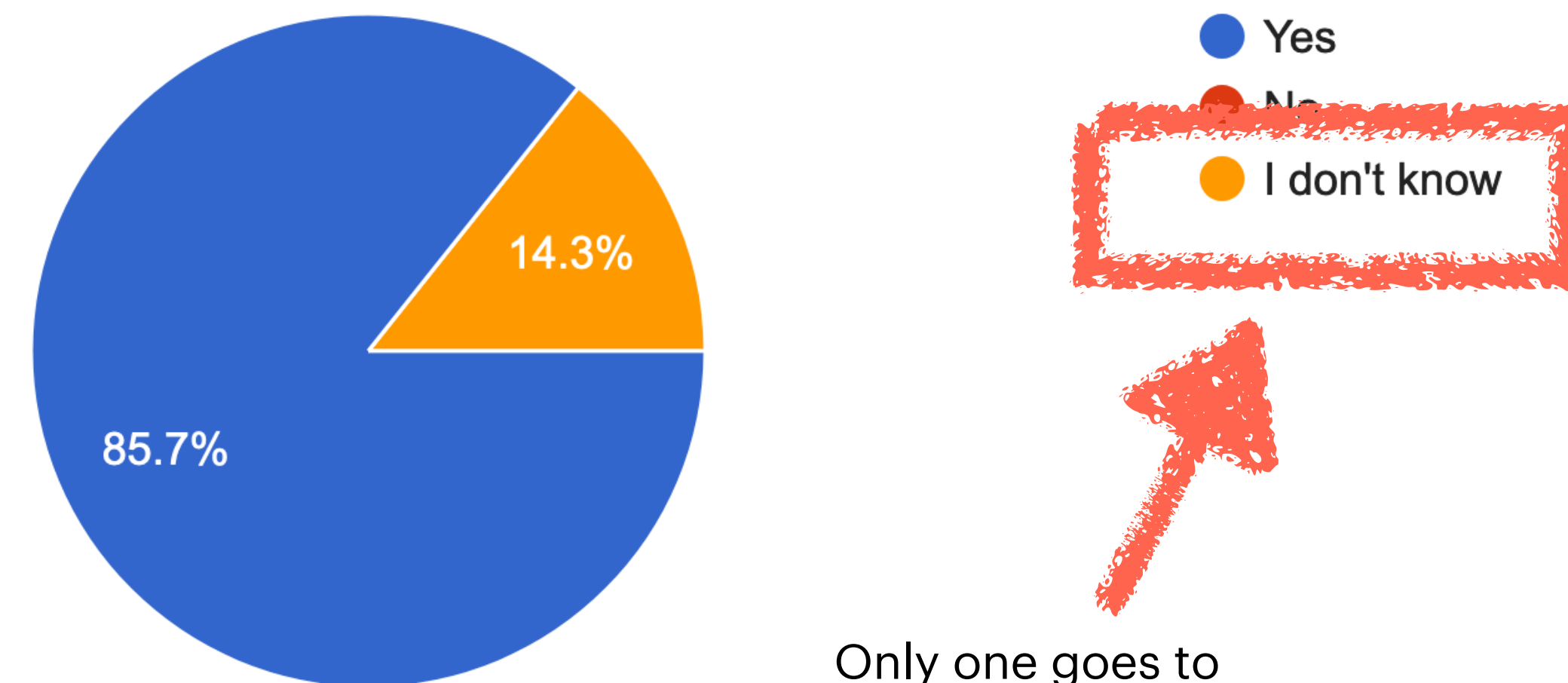
- I sent you a form to fill and 55 of you answered.
- Since only very few of you left contact information, I only came back to those leaving a explicit question
 - Some other questions or comments I have been following up since



Some general stats



Does your health insurance cover you at CERN?
49 responses

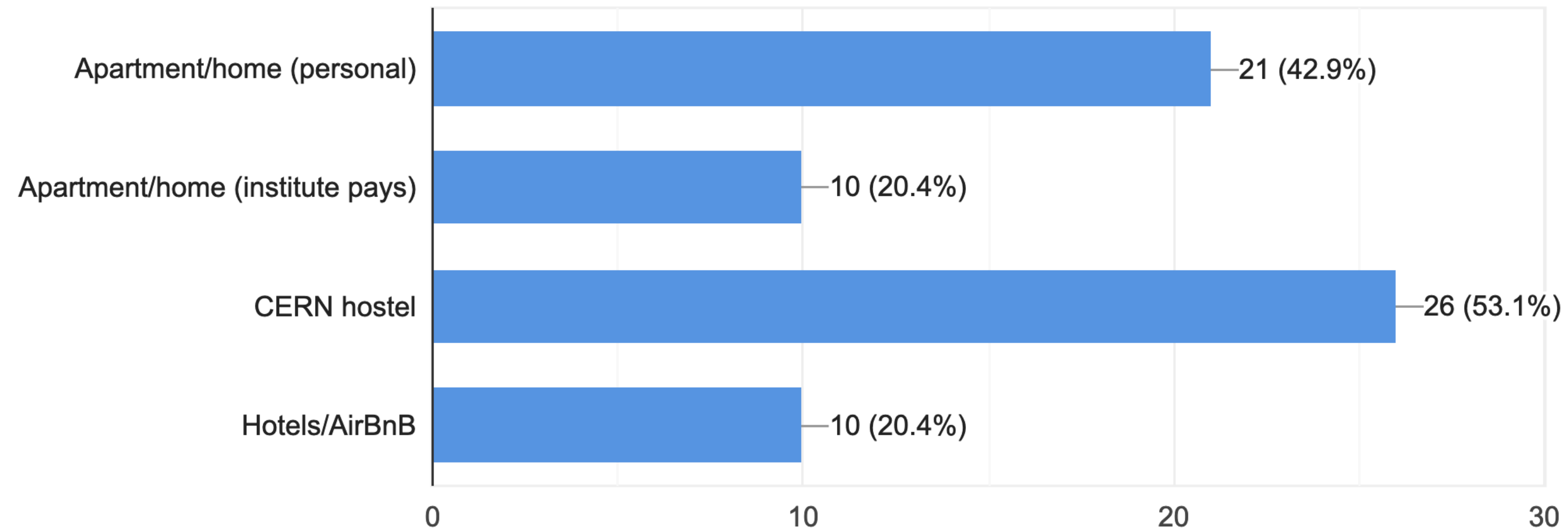


Only one goes to CERN "rarely", others often or based at CERN!

How do we live at and get to CERN?

Where do you stay while at CERN?

49 responses



In terms of transport, it is well balanced between car users (either personal, rented, shared), and bike riders, followed by walk/public transport

The food

- You want:
 - Better labelling of allergens/ingredients
 - Better vegetarian/vegan options
 - Better prizes
 - Better taste
 - More options (including food trucks)
 - A store

**This aligns with the
general CERN
population across
countries!**

The food

- A lot of work on improving the restaurants in the last months
 - Renovations (restaurants, terraces, bathrooms), increased capacity, new vending machines
- New Executive Chef with quality and consistency focus
- Vegan offer to be developed together with vegetarian one
 - Round table to be organised by the end of the year with vegan/vegetarian community
- Actions toward sustainable cooking will be planned
- Main allergens to be posted for all menus

Things you asked for/care about

- A better website/maybe one specific for Sweden
 - The users office has a new one <https://usersoffice.web.cern.ch/>
 - Includes newcomers guide: <https://newcomersguide.web.cern.ch/>
 - Is this enough? Check it out and let me know!
- Chargers for electric cars (another very popular demand)
 - CERN is trying out options!
 - New charging stations “11-22 kW” (fast charging) on site.
 - One pilot in Meyrin and one pilot in Preveessin.
 - Pending discussions with the legal service.

Things you asked for/care about

- Improvements in the hostels
 - B38 has been renovated and B39 has started renovation
 - Foyer Schuman is considering renovations
- Parking: bicycles, and cars (long and short term) (another hot point!)
 - bicycle shelters will be improved in Preveessin and Meyrin
 - Long-term parking in Meyrin for bicycles (ready soon?)
 - EDH request for long-term parking (bike/car)
 - Identification of all the existing “non declared” parking slots ongoing
 - Mainly used since decades but never put on the GIS leading to infractions
 - Officialize the 55 parking slots in the French part of Meyrin and the 30 in the Swiss part of Meyrin after checking with transport group and local users

Things you asked for/care about

- Safety biking (roundabout and bike lanes)
 - Plans on improving both, works to start next year
- Medical tests for dosimeters
 - Back in the day, users based at CERN could get the medical for the dosimeter on site (I did a few times myself), this is not possible anymore and with covid the situation became clearly inconvenient.
 - I'm still investigating this
- The looks of CERN!
 - Some of you find CERN not so beautiful in the common areas (some improvements are ongoing, at a slow pace)
 - Trees! Some trees were cut due to parasites and never planted again, I am also investigating this.

Hot topics for ACCU this year

- COVID protocols
- Insurance:
 - A new insurance model for users based at CERN is still in the works, hopefully soon
- The new nursery! (Le Jardin des particules)
 - <https://nurseryschool.web.cern.ch/>
- Waste management
- New Safety Incident Management (SIM) rules and tool (ongoing)
- Additional Mobility topics (including green plates), CERN trying new car-sharing system

What's next?

- Next meeting to happen next week
 - Let me know any topic you want us to discuss
 - Or just reach out to discuss with me any user-related issues!
- New survey! 2021 edition!
 - <https://forms.gle/xwyrAYXHiBm6Q5LE9>

