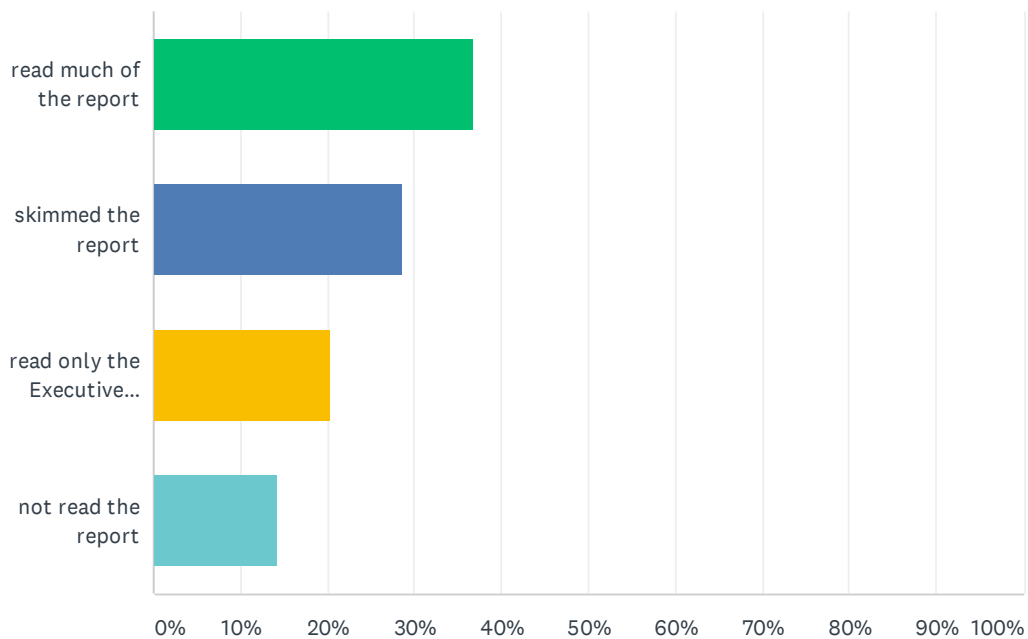


Q1 The AOS Publications Futures Committee Report overviews the trends in scientific publishing and the performance of our journals as well as ways to increase their impact factors, position them for open access publishing and open science, and support publishing by students and early career professionals. I have:

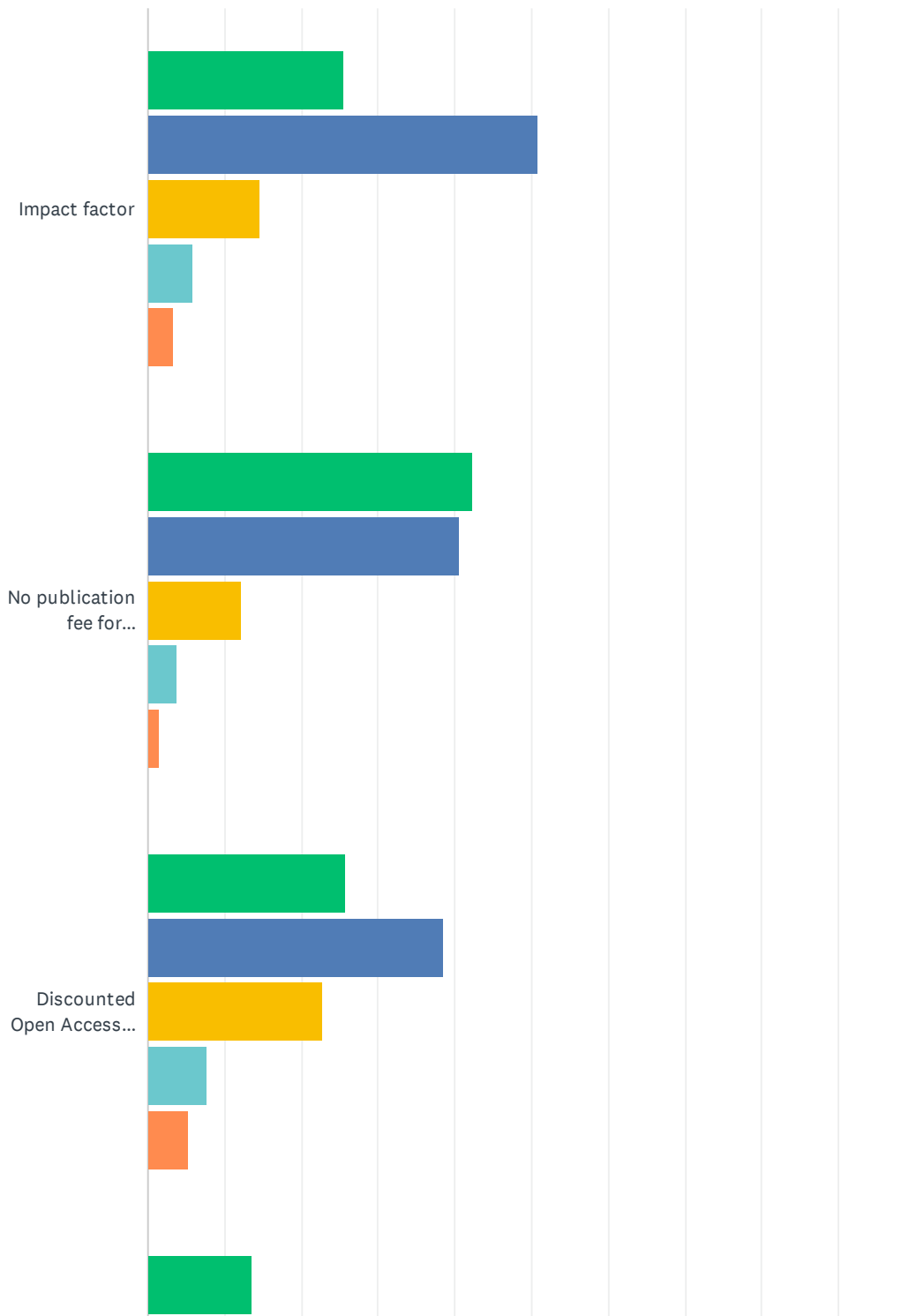
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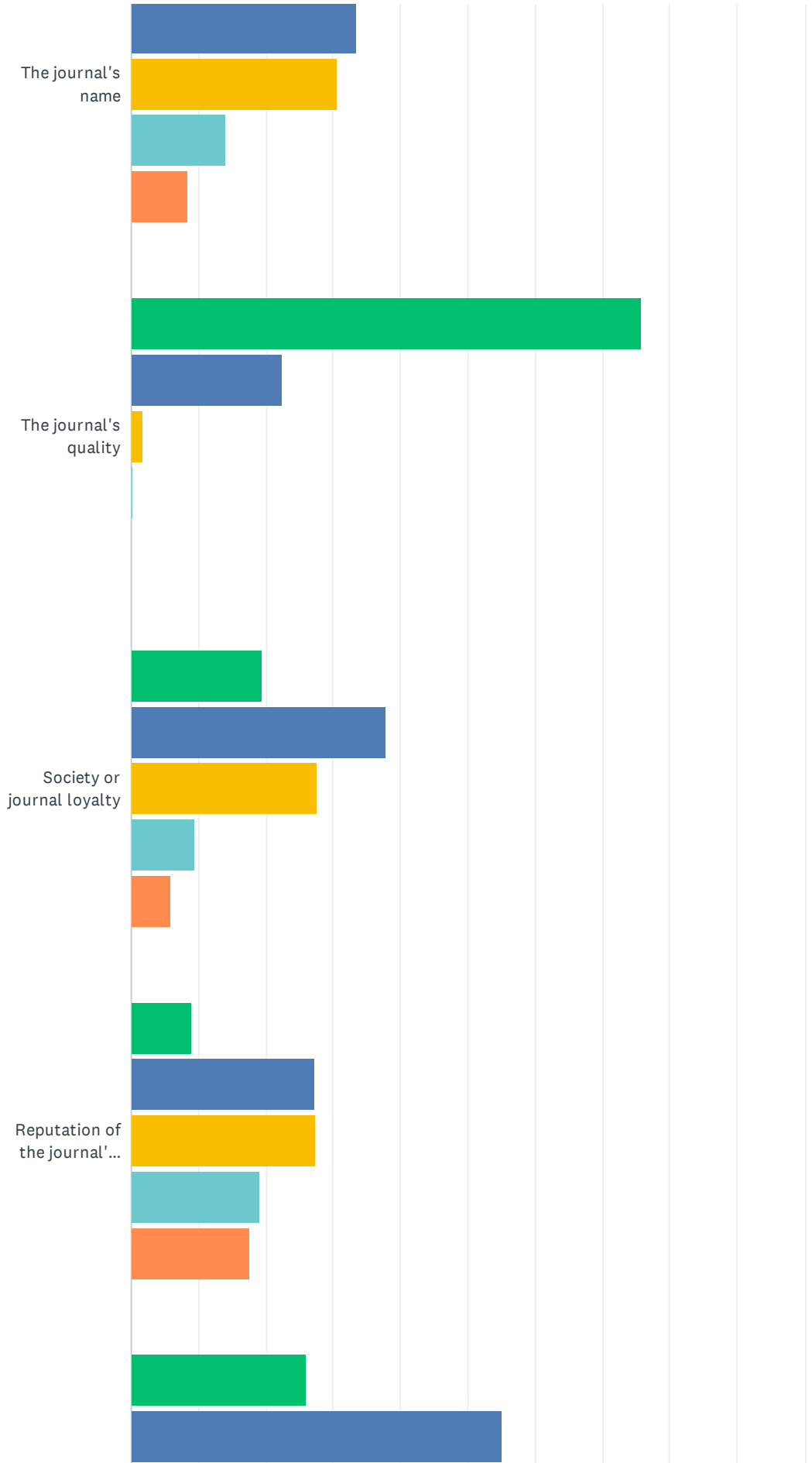


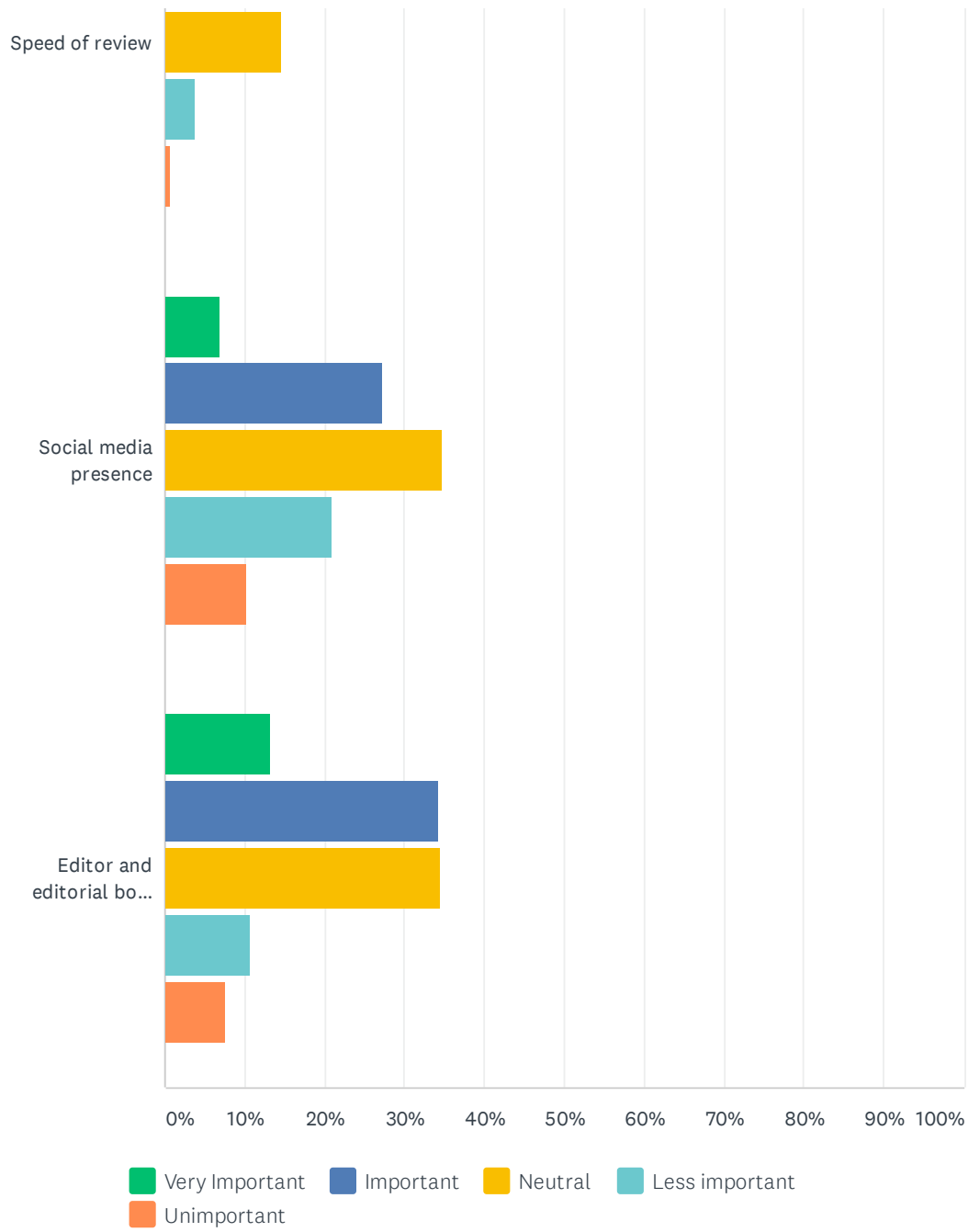
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
read much of the report	36.90%	162
skimmed the report	28.70%	126
read only the Executive Summary	20.27%	89
not read the report	14.12%	62
TOTAL		439

Q2 A variety of trends in scientific publishing are discussed on pages 4-10 of the Publications Futures Committee report. Please rate the following, which include some options already in place for AOS members (*), as to how important they are to your decision to submit your research to Auk and Condor.

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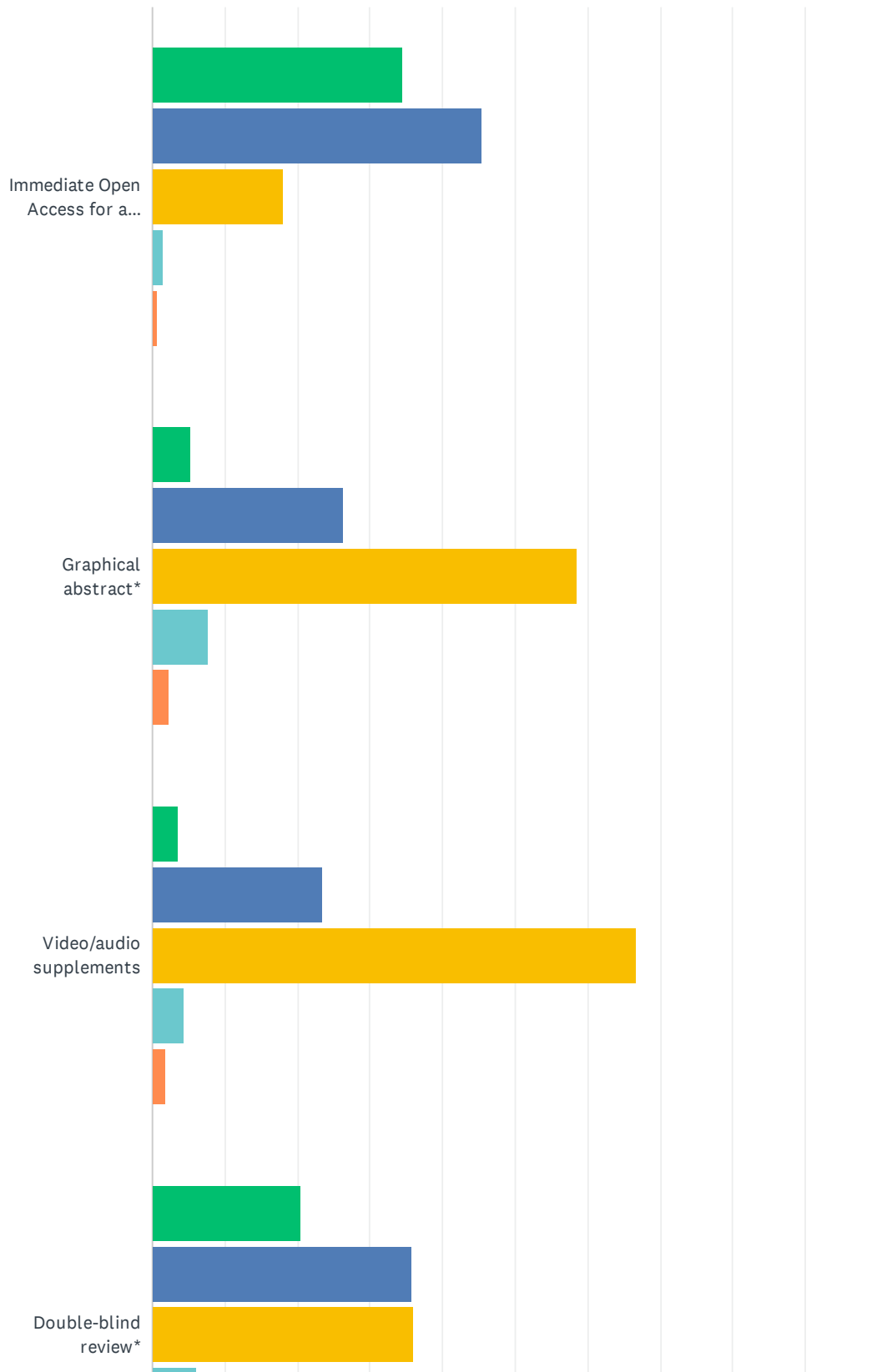


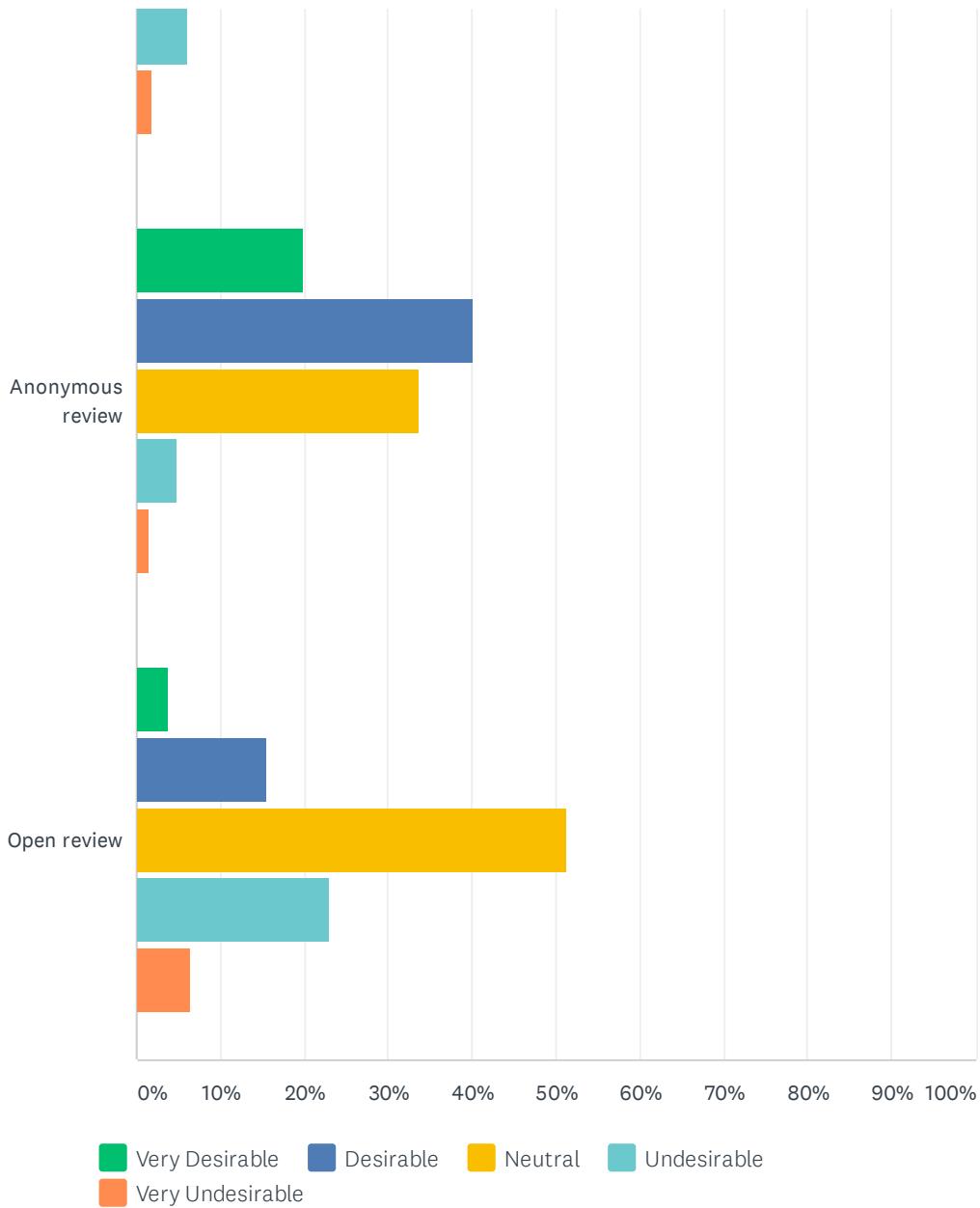


	VERY IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	NEUTRAL	LESS IMPORTANT	UNIMPORTANT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Impact factor	25.52% 110	50.81% 219	14.62% 63	5.80% 25	3.25% 14	431	1.85
No publication fee for members*	42.17% 183	40.55% 176	12.21% 53	3.69% 16	1.38% 6	434	1.39
Discounted Open Access fees for members*	25.82% 110	38.50% 164	22.77% 97	7.75% 33	5.16% 22	426	2.02
The journal's name	13.69% 59	33.41% 144	30.63% 132	13.92% 60	8.35% 36	431	2.56
The journal's quality	75.75% 328	22.40% 97	1.62% 7	0.23% 1	0.00% 0	433	0.51
Society or journal loyalty	19.35% 84	37.79% 164	27.65% 120	9.45% 41	5.76% 25	434	2.25
Reputation of the journal's academic publisher (ie. Oxford University Press)	8.97% 39	27.13% 118	27.36% 119	19.08% 83	17.47% 76	435	3.00
Speed of review	25.92% 113	55.05% 240	14.68% 64	3.67% 16	0.69% 3	436	1.72
Social media presence	6.93% 30	27.25% 118	34.64% 150	21.02% 91	10.16% 44	433	2.93
Editor and editorial board members	13.10% 57	34.25% 149	34.48% 150	10.57% 46	7.59% 33	435	2.52

Q3 Continuing from Question 2, please rate the following as they relate to the desirability of submitting your research to Auk and Condor.

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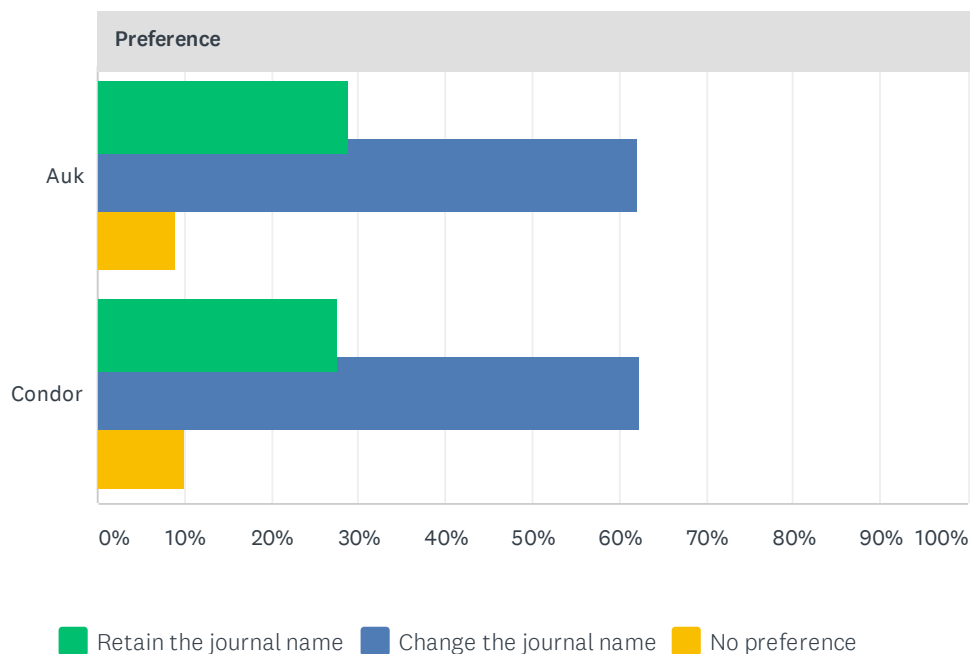




	VERY DESIRABLE	DESIRABLE	NEUTRAL	UNDESIRABLE	VERY UNDESIRABLE	TOTAL
Immediate Open Access for all papers	34.56% 150	45.39% 197	17.97% 78	1.38% 6	0.69% 3	434
Graphical abstract*	5.13% 22	26.34% 113	58.51% 251	7.69% 33	2.33% 10	429
Video/audio supplements	3.48% 15	23.43% 101	66.82% 288	4.41% 19	1.86% 8	431
Double-blind review*	20.42% 88	35.73% 154	35.96% 155	6.03% 26	1.86% 8	431
Anonymous review	19.86% 86	40.18% 174	33.72% 146	4.85% 21	1.39% 6	433
Open review	3.75% 16	15.46% 66	51.29% 219	22.95% 98	6.56% 28	427

Q4 Currently the names of the AOS journals are confused within the ornithological community and do not reflect the content of what is published in them to those outside of that community. The official names of the AOS journals, as recognized by Clarivate Analytics (formerly ISI), are Auk and Condor, not The Auk or The Condor and not The Auk: Ornithological Advances or The Condor: Ornithological Applications. Advantages of updating the journal names include eliminating their inconsistent usage, attracting higher quality papers to increase journal impact factors, portraying their content more accurately, and aligning with the mission of AOS. Disadvantages include the loss of well-established brands within the ornithological community and the 2-year time lag for receiving Impact Factors for the new journal names. The Committee felt the disadvantages from a name change were short-term compared to the potential for long-term gains. Details are discussed on pages 15-18 of the Publications Futures Committee report. Going forward, I prefer to:

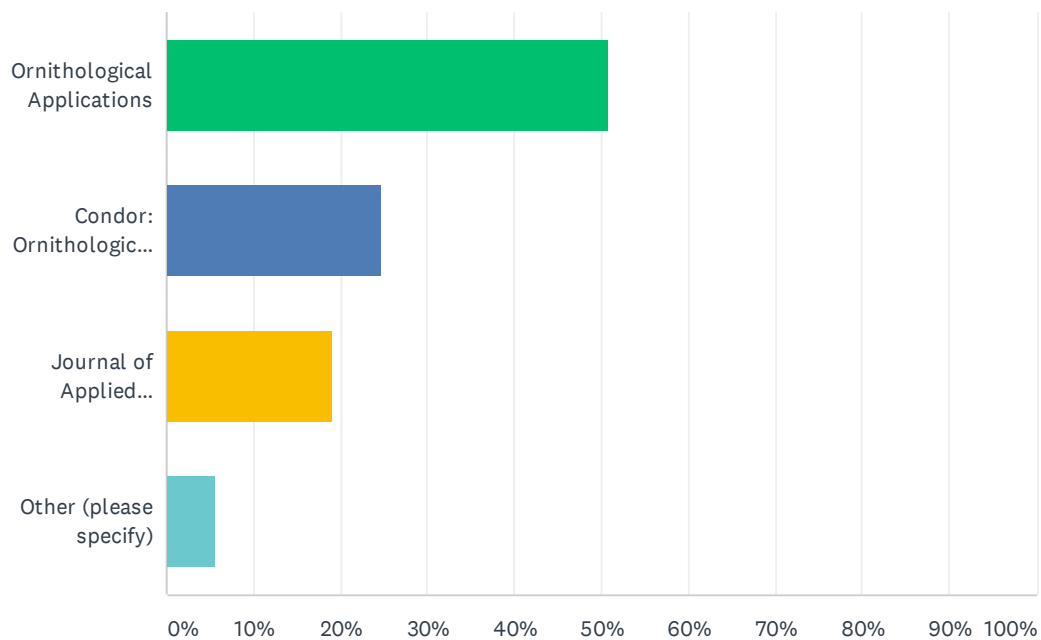
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Preference				
	RETAIN THE JOURNAL NAME	CHANGE THE JOURNAL NAME	NO PREFERENCE	TOTAL
Auk	28.80% 127	62.13% 274	9.07% 40	441
Condor	27.56% 121	62.41% 274	10.02% 44	439

Q5 Potential new names to replace Condor are discussed on pages 17-18 of the Publications Futures Committee Report. If a new name was desirable for Condor, the Committee recommends retaining Ornithological Applications. This name aptly describes the material that appears in the journal, retains continuity with the current unofficial name, and is associated with the dramatic increase in the journal’s Impact Factor over the past 6 years. Going forward, if a new name was desirable for Condor, I would prefer:

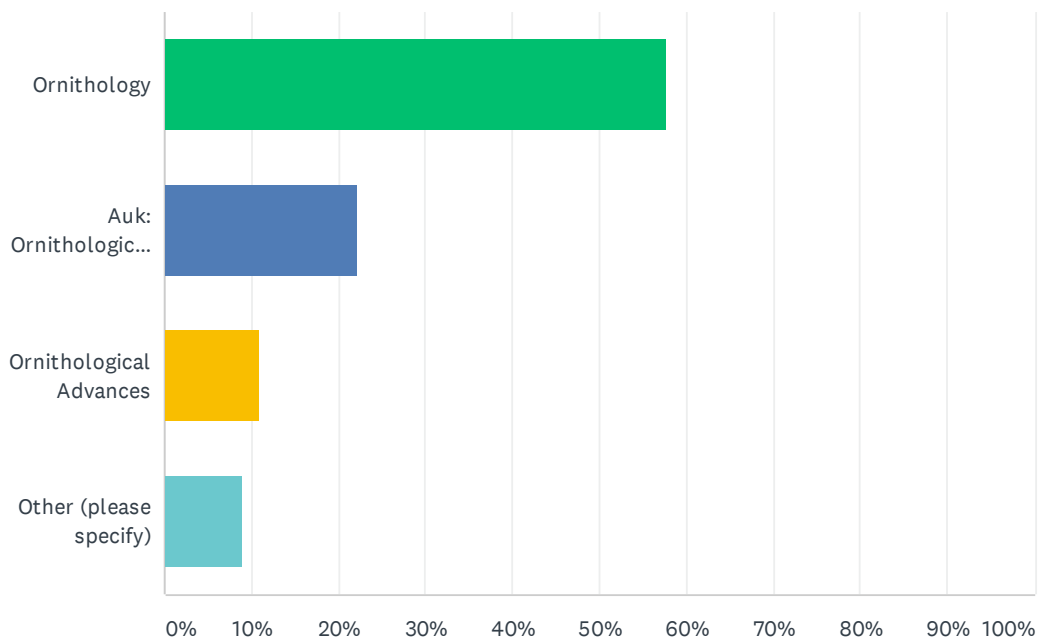
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Ornithological Applications	50.81%	219
Condor: Ornithological Applications	24.59%	106
Journal of Applied Ornithology	19.03%	82
Other (please specify)	5.57%	24
TOTAL		431

Q6 Potential new names to replace Auk are discussed on pages 17-18 of the Publications Futures Committee Report. If a new name was desirable for Auk, the Committee suggests updating to Ornithology to be more descriptive of material published, as this one word title encompasses the breadth of avian science. The Committee preferred Ornithology to Ornithological Advances because it is simpler, more direct, and clearly differentiates this journal from Ornithological Applications. Changing to The Auk as the new official name was not recommended because it would incur the short-term loss of the journal’s Impact Factor for two years without yielding long-term gains. If a new name was desirable for Auk, what name would you prefer?

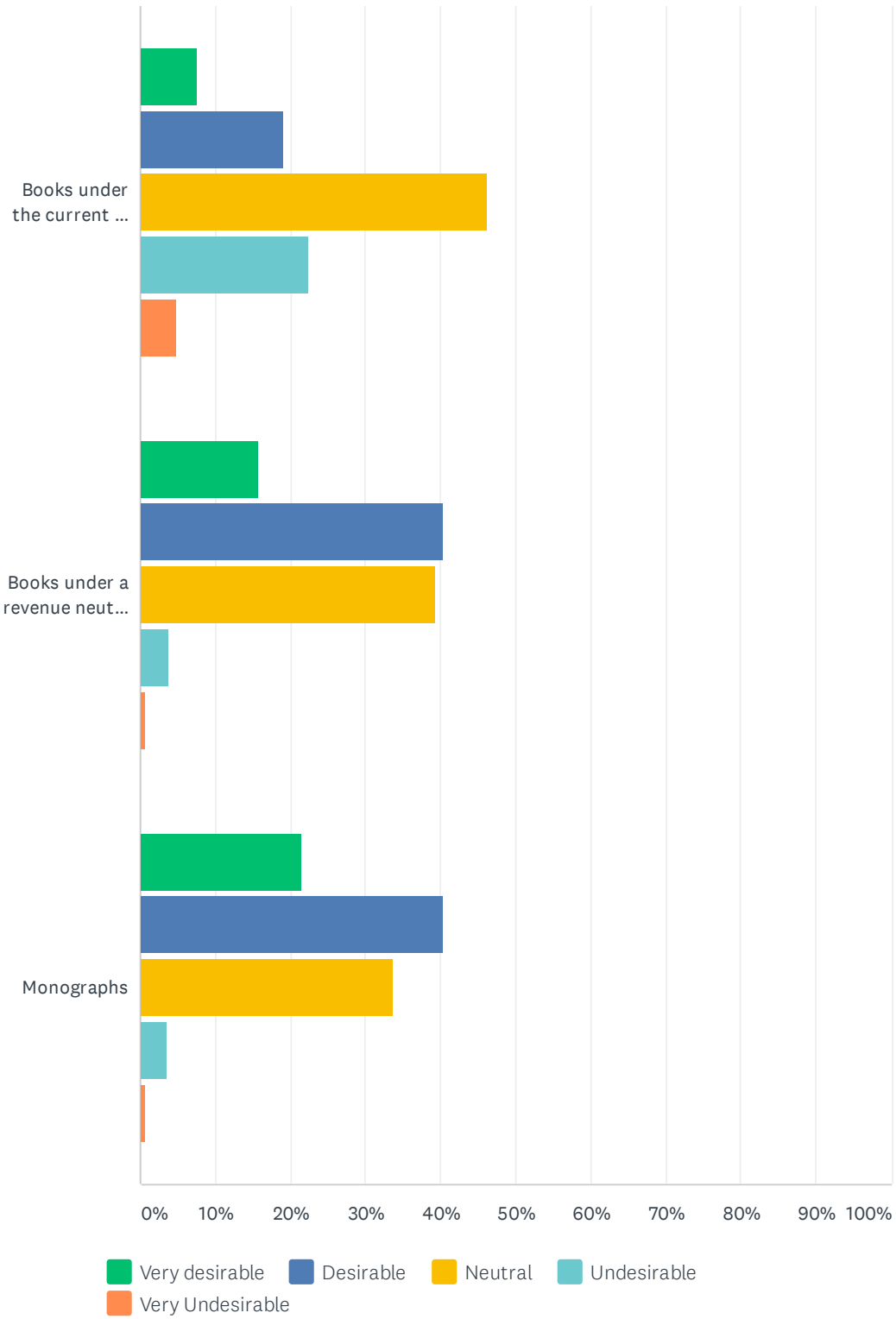
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Ornithology	57.77%	249
Auk: Ornithological Advances	22.27%	96
Ornithological Advances	10.90%	47
Other (please specify)	9.05%	39
TOTAL		431

Q7 Pages 18-21 of the Publications Futures Committee report discuss issues related to the publication of long content materials, such as books and monographs that exceed the typical page length of a journal article but are shorter than books. Until this year, AOS published the Studies in Avian Biology (SAB) book series. It produced beautiful and expensive niche books on topics in ornithology at a net loss to the society, a significant cost to editors/authors, and no direct benefit (discount, access) to members. Ornithological Monographs was a successful series established by the AOU for publishing long content material that ended in 2014 after a 50-year run. Monographs could be published in AOS journals as long content features if authors subsidized the added costs of production. AOS could initiate a new book series on broader topics in ornithology that is financially viable and accessible for members and the scientific community. How desirable is it to you that AOS publishes long content materials, such as books and monographs?

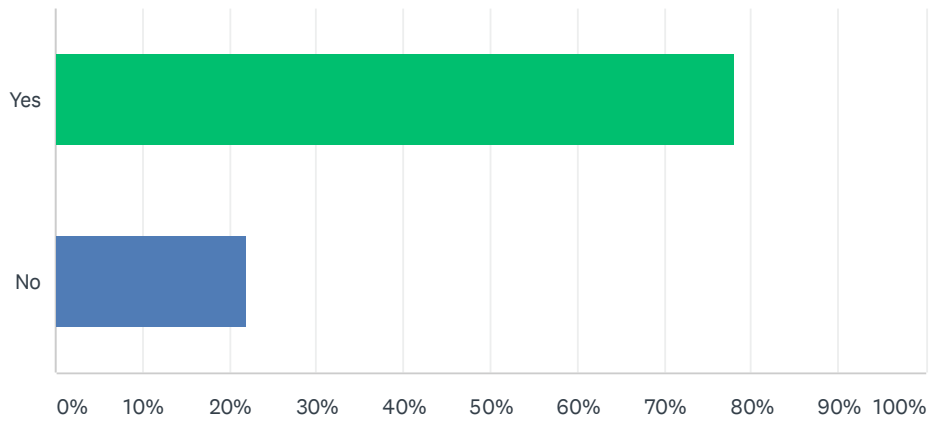
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	VERY DESIRABLE	DESIRABLE	NEUTRAL	UNDESIRABLE	VERY UNDESIRABLE	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Books under the current SAB model	7.49% 31	19.08% 79	46.14% 191	22.46% 93	4.83% 20	414	2.98
Books under a revenue neutral model for AOS and member discounts	15.75% 66	40.33% 169	39.38% 165	3.82% 16	0.72% 3	419	2.33
Monographs	21.62% 91	40.38% 170	33.73% 142	3.56% 15	0.71% 3	421	2.21

Q8 Please tell us a little bit about your publication history with AOS journals. Have you ever submitted a manuscript to Auk or Condor?

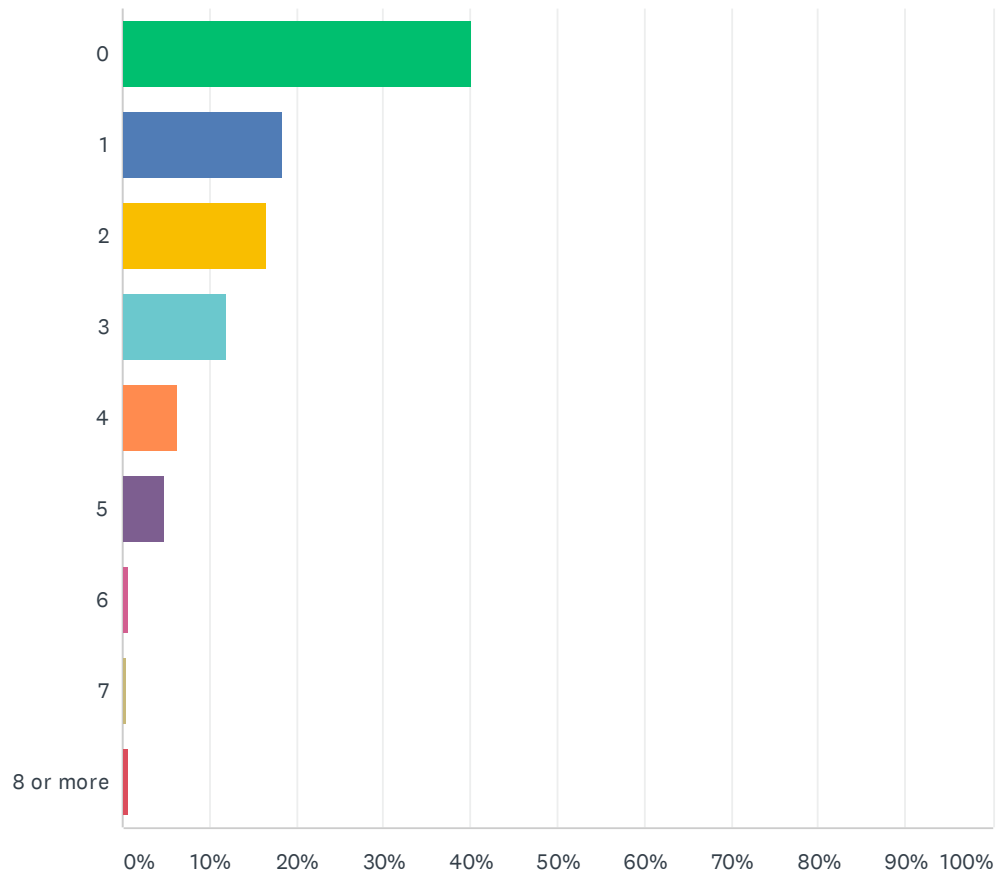
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	77.98%	340
No	22.02%	96
TOTAL		436

Q9 About how many papers have you submitted to Auk and Condor over the past 5 years?

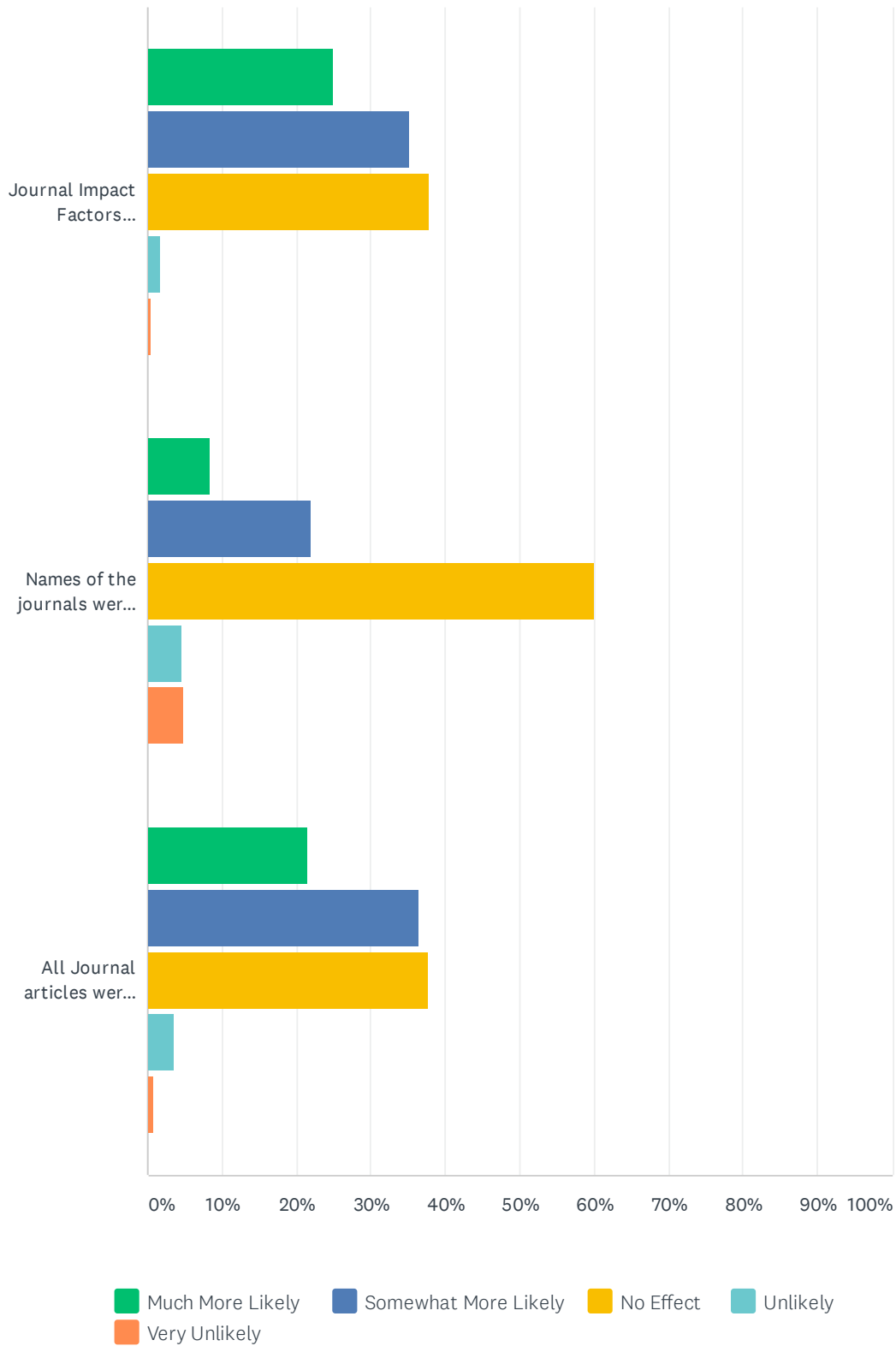
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
0	40.23%	175
1	18.39%	80
2	16.55%	72
3	11.95%	52
4	6.21%	27
5	4.83%	21
6	0.69%	3
7	0.46%	2
8 or more	0.69%	3
TOTAL		435

Q10 Would you be more likely to submit your higher-quality manuscripts to Auk and Condor if the:

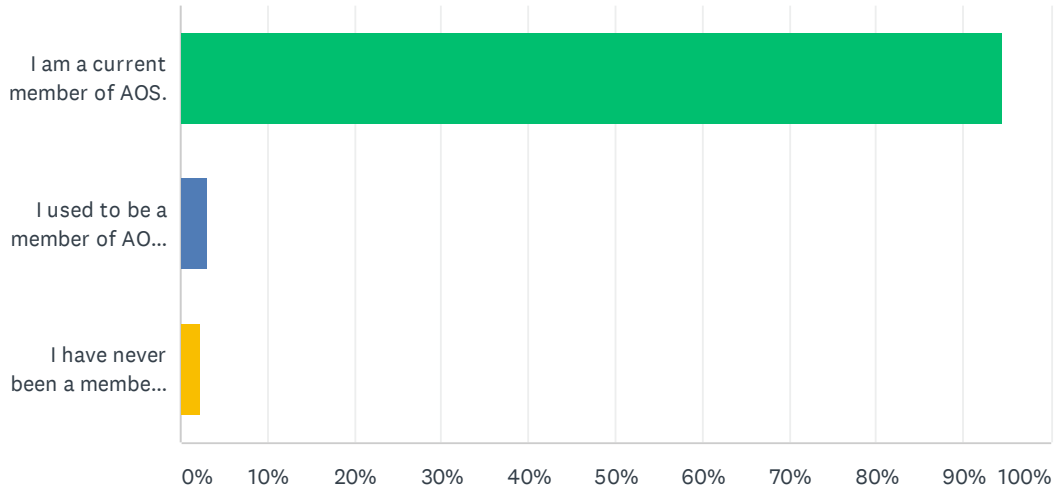
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	MUCH MORE LIKELY	SOMEWHAT MORE LIKELY	NO EFFECT	UNLIKELY	VERY UNLIKELY	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Journal Impact Factors exceeded 3.0	24.88% 107	35.12% 151	37.91% 163	1.63% 7	0.47% 2	430	2.18
Names of the journals were updated	8.41% 36	21.96% 94	60.05% 257	4.67% 20	4.91% 21	428	2.76
All Journal articles were Open Access	21.60% 92	36.38% 155	37.56% 160	3.52% 15	0.94% 4	426	2.26

Q11 What statement best describes your membership in AOS?

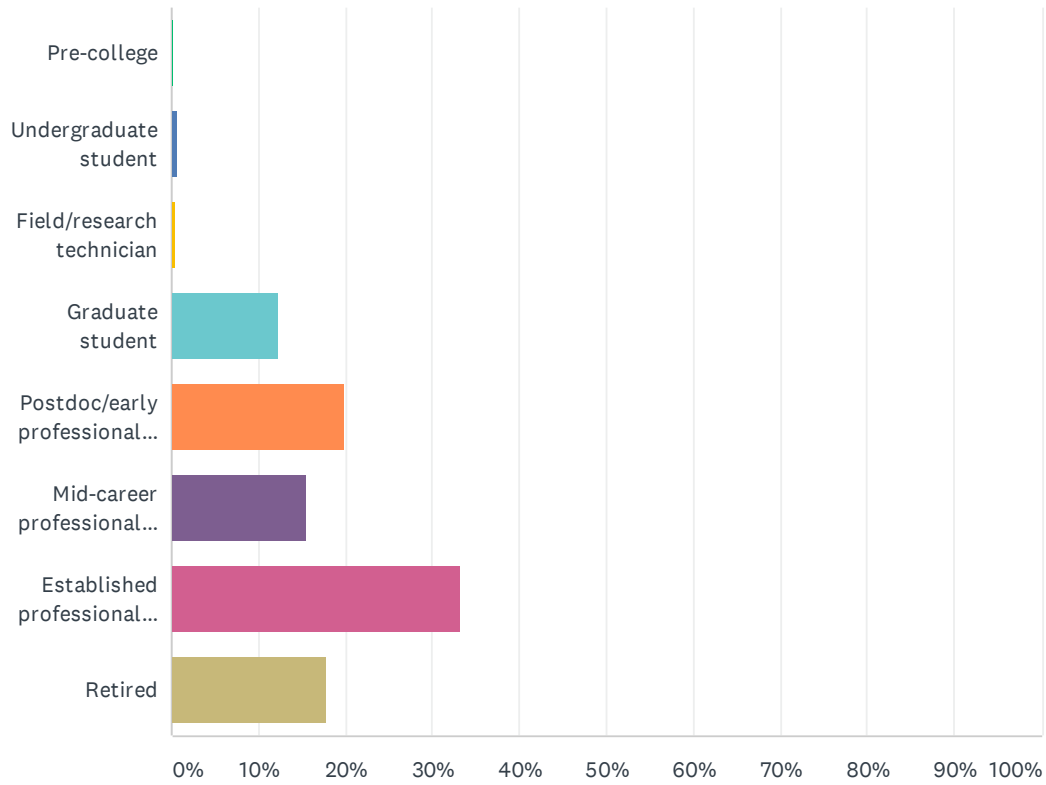
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am a current member of AOS.	94.55%	416
I used to be a member of AOS, AOU, and/or COS, but I am not one currently.	3.18%	14
I have never been a member of AOS (or the AOU or COS).	2.27%	10
TOTAL		440

Q12 What best describes your current career stage?

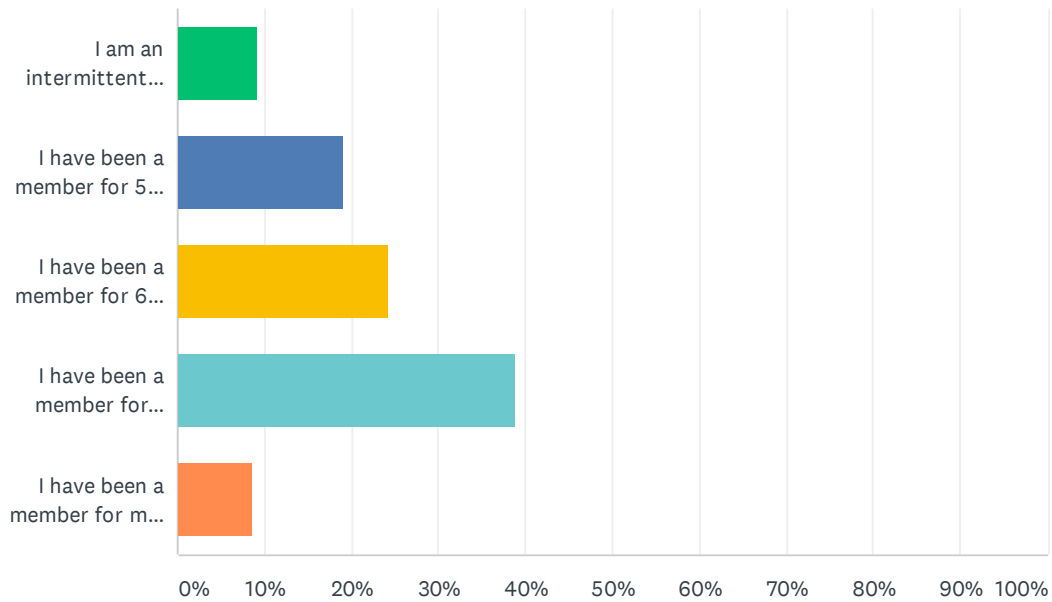
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Pre-college	0.23% 1
Undergraduate student	0.68% 3
Field/research technician	0.46% 2
Graduate student	12.30% 54
Postdoc/early professional (<7 year post terminal degree)	19.82% 87
Mid-career professional (7-15 years post terminal degree)	15.49% 68
Established professional (15 years post terminal degree)	33.26% 146
Retired	17.77% 78
TOTAL	439

Q13 What best describes your history of membership in AOS, the AOU, and/or COS?

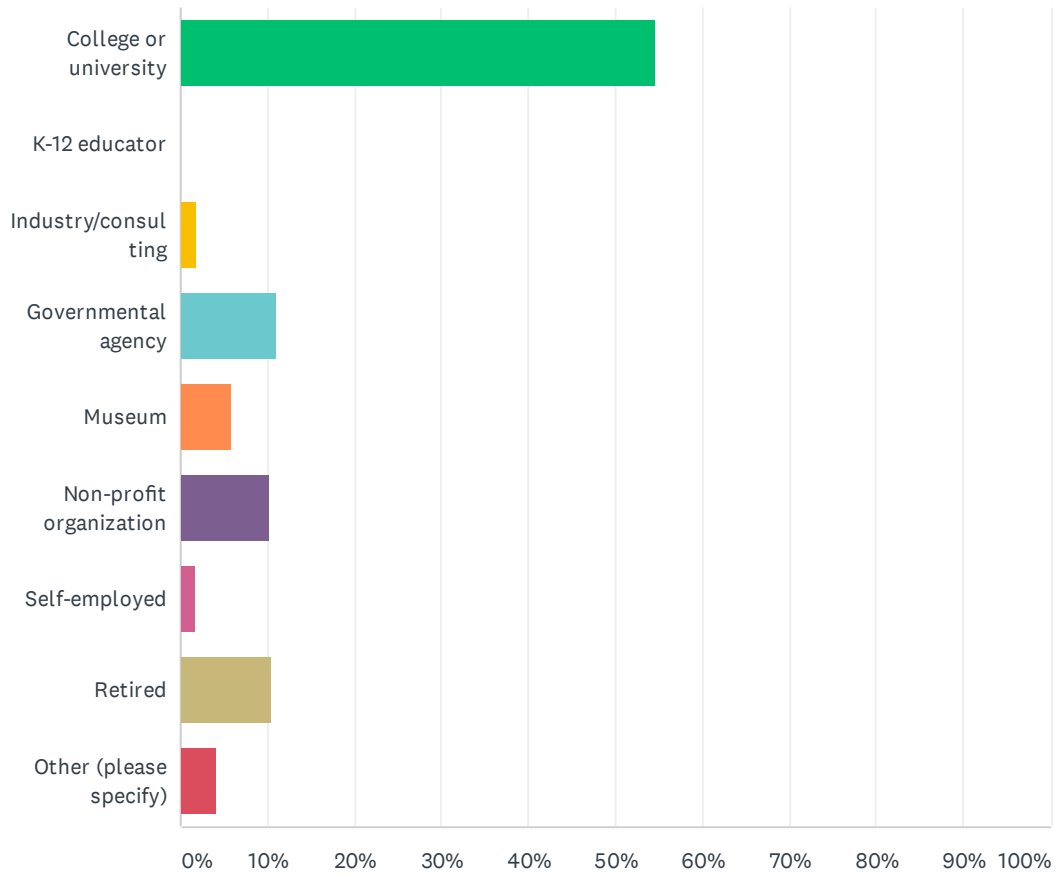
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am an intermittent member (i.e. there are some years that I do not renew my membership).	9.20%	40
I have been a member for 5 or fewer continuous years.	19.08%	83
I have been a member for 6-15 continuous years.	24.37%	106
I have been a member for 16-49 continuous years.	38.85%	169
I have been a member for more than 50 continuous years.	8.51%	37
TOTAL		435

Q14 What best describes your current professional affiliation?

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
College or university	54.67%	240
K-12 educator	0.00%	0
Industry/consulting	1.82%	8
Governmental agency	11.16%	49
Museum	5.92%	26
Non-profit organization	10.25%	45
Self-employed	1.59%	7
Retired	10.48%	46
Other (please specify)	4.10%	18
TOTAL		439

Q15 Please add any comments in the box below that relate to the issues covered in the Publications Futures Committee Report or in this questionnaire that you like to share with AOS leadership.

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