



Blue Mountains  
Insight Meditation  
Centre

# 2022 Community Survey

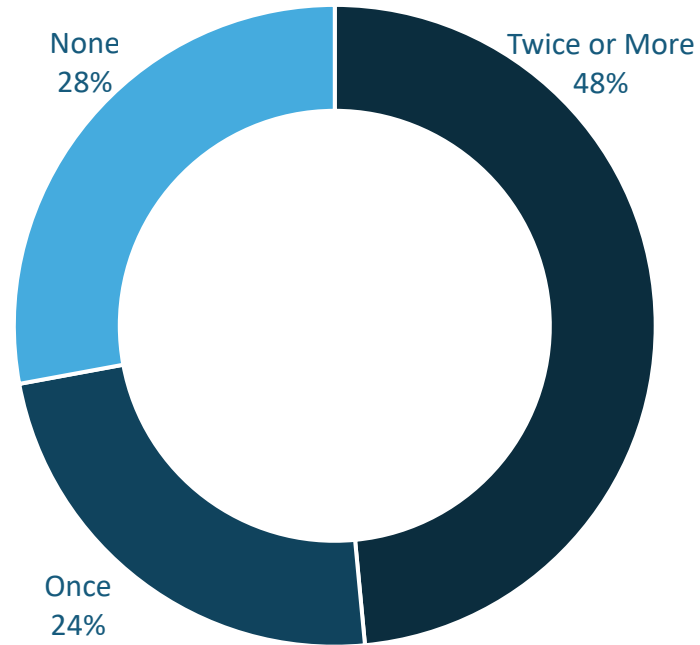
Summary of Findings

# Survey Respondents

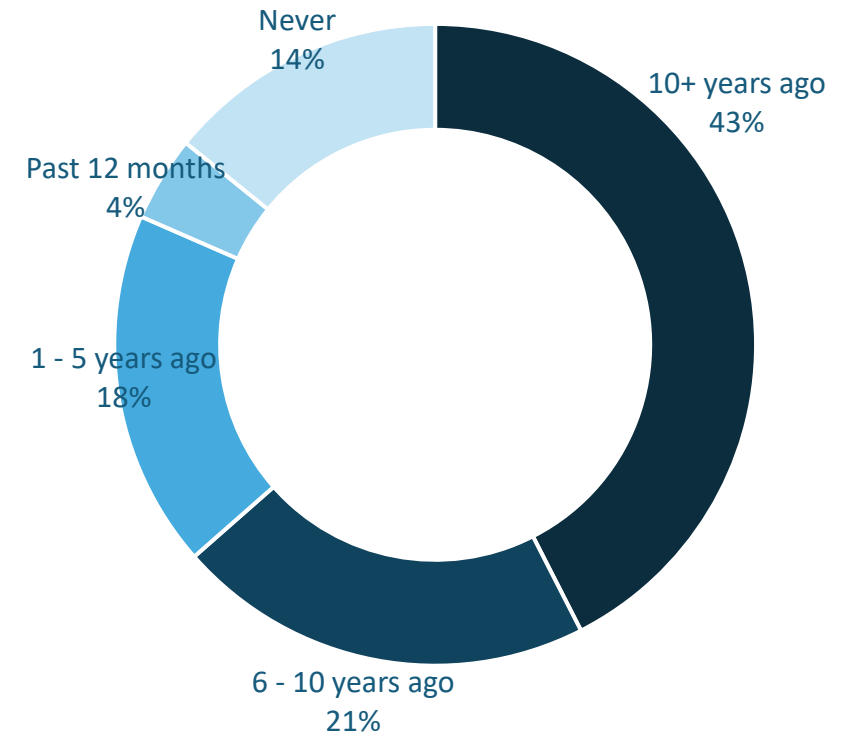
**1,434**  
Survey invitations sent  
by email

**233**  
Completed Responses  
(16% Response rate)

Times stayed at BMIMC in past 5 years

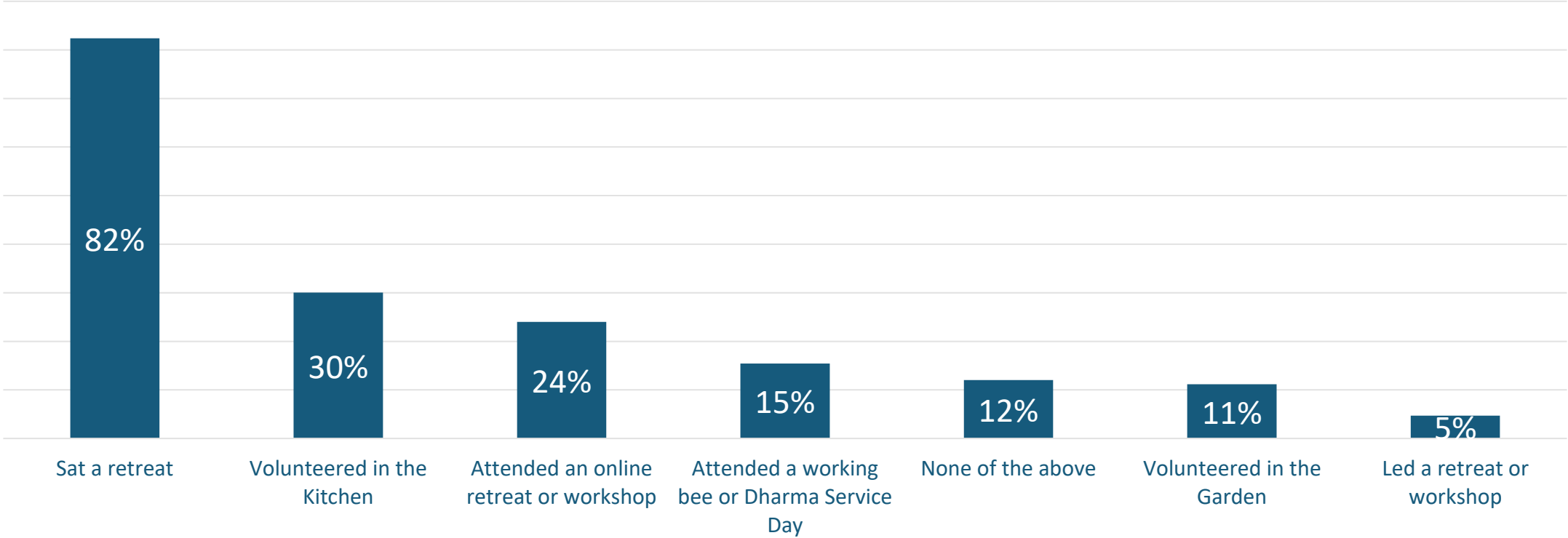


First Stayed at BMIMC



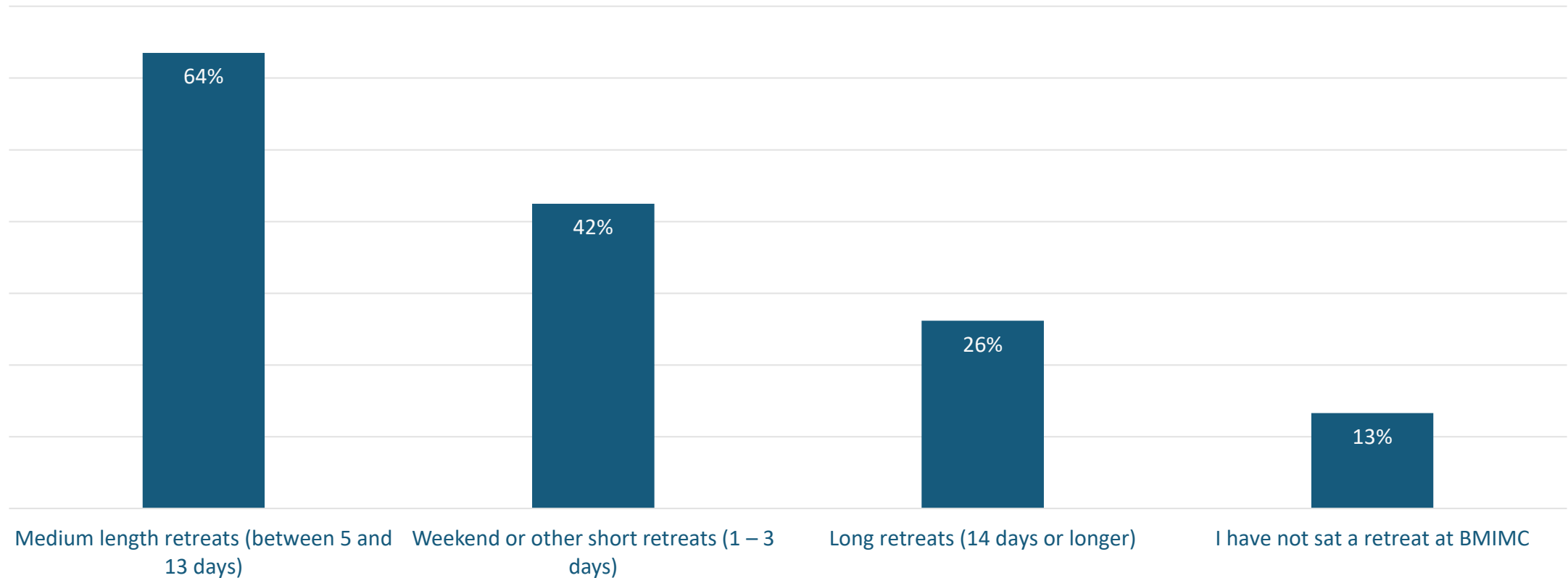
# The sample includes a broad cross section of the community, with high level of participation from volunteers

Which of the following have you participated in at BMIMC at any point in the past? (Tick all that apply)

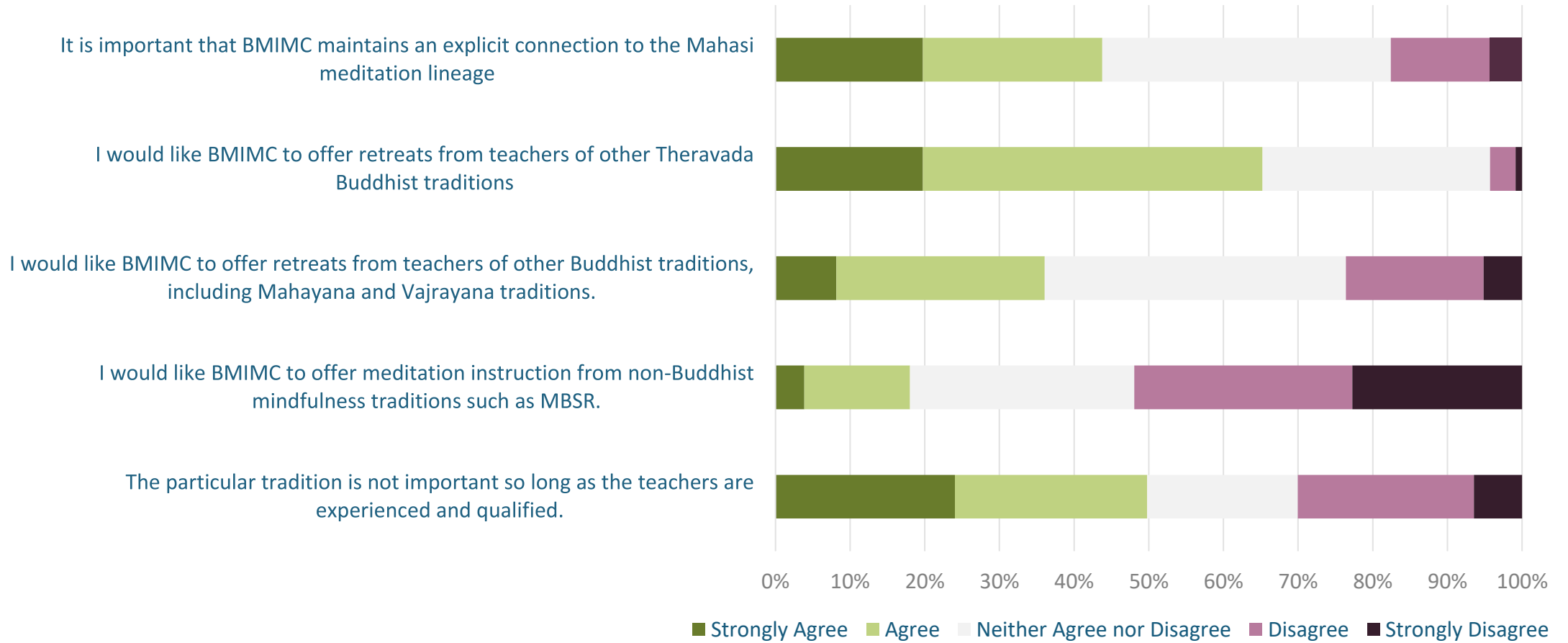


# For the vast major of respondents, their BMIMC experience includes nine-day retreats

Which types of retreats have you sat at BMIMC? (Select all that apply)

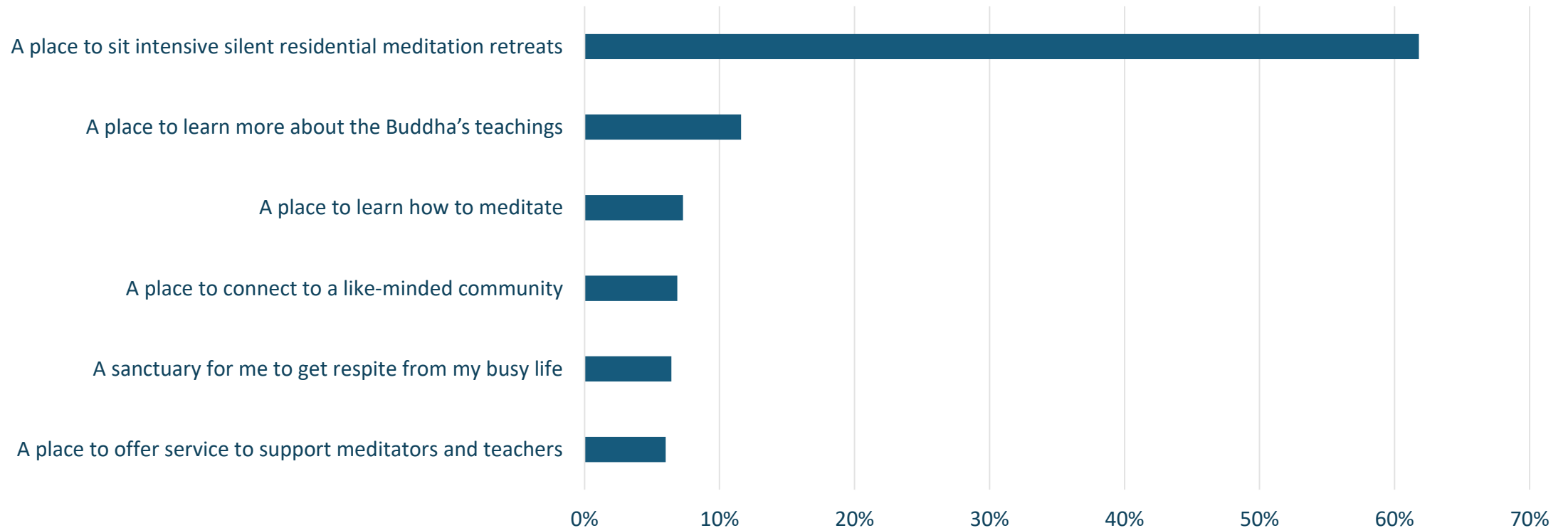


# While the Mahasi lineage remains significant for many, there is a general openness to teaching from the wider Theravada tradition



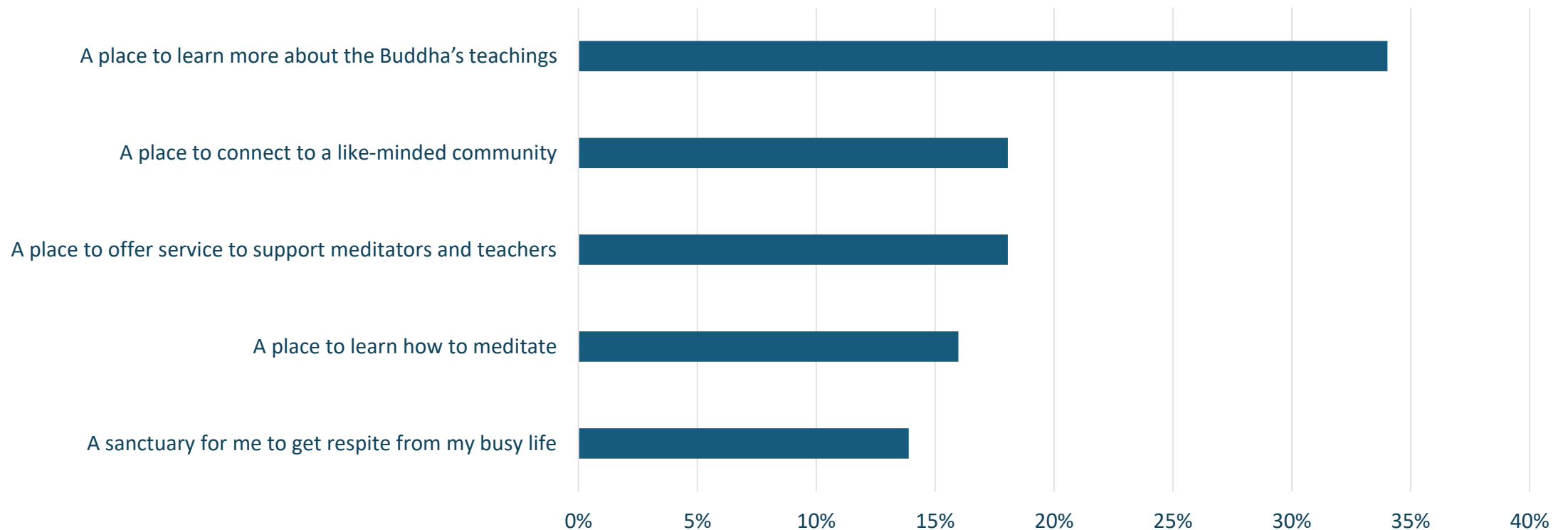
# For most of the community BMIMC is - first and foremost - a place for intensive silent meditation practice

*What do you see as the main purposes of BMIMC? Rank in order of importance to you personally  
(Ranked 1st)*



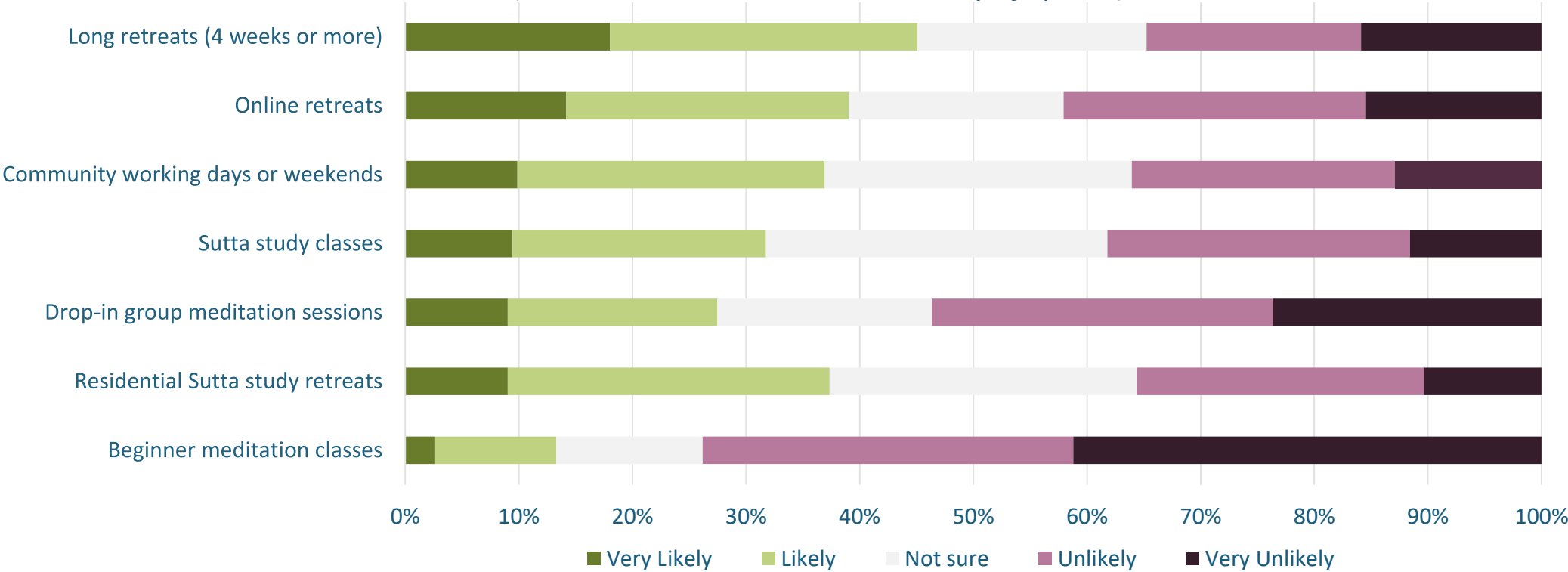
# Secondary reasons are mixed, but predominantly oriented to the Buddha's teaching

*What do you see as the main purposes of BMIMC? Rank in order of importance to you personally  
(2nd Most important reason for group who ranked Intensive Retreat 1<sup>st</sup>)*



# A strong post-covid demand remains for online retreats.

*If BMIMC offered the following courses/activities over the next three years, how likely would you be to attend. (Assume low/no cost and availability of spaces)*





# Many in the community would like to be more involved, but they need pathways.

*Please indicate how you feel about the following statements about volunteering at BMIMC.*

