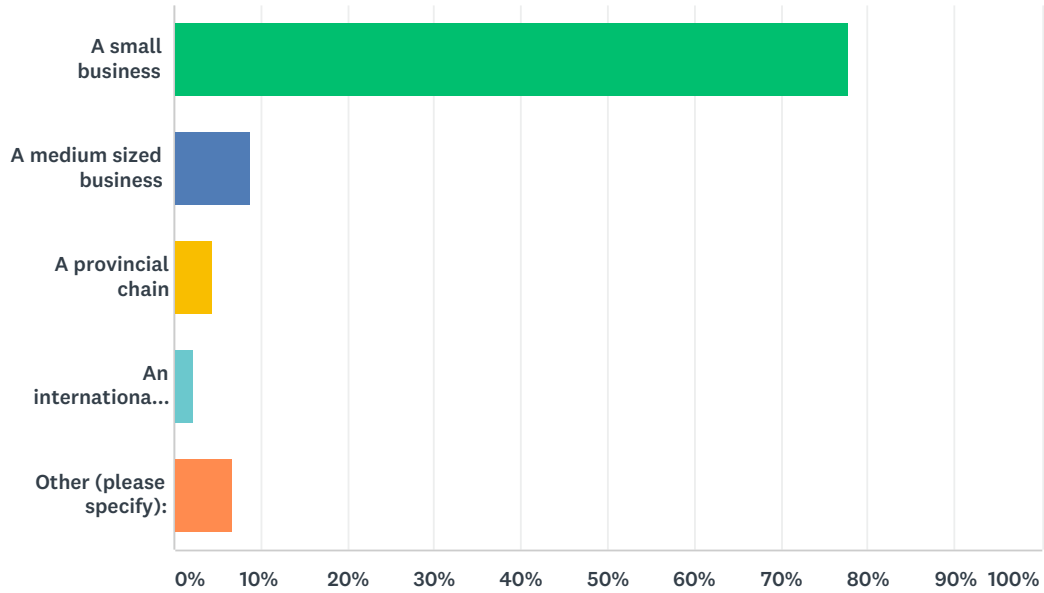


Q1 Are you:

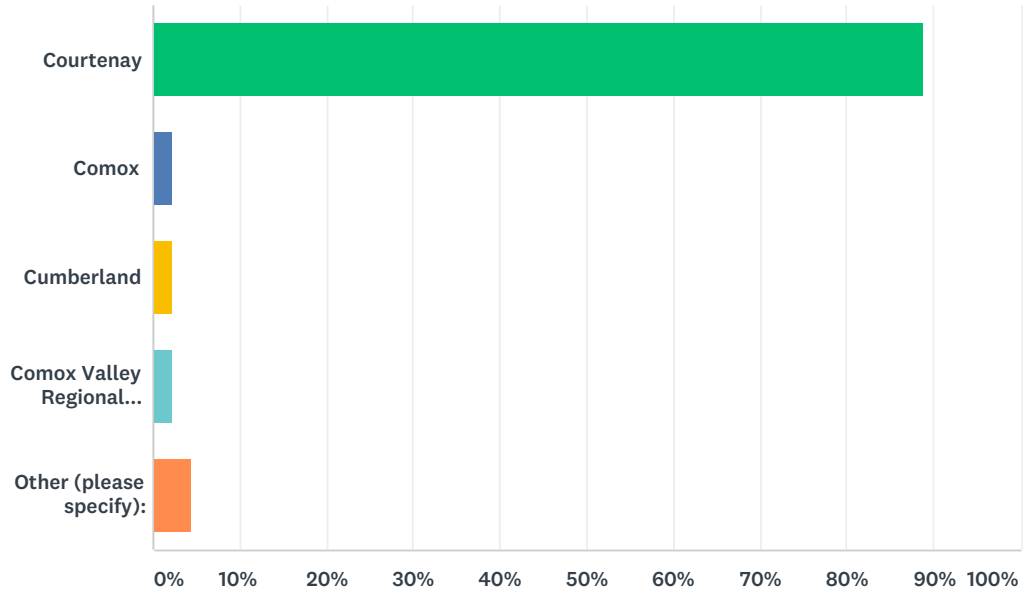
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
A small business	77.78%	35
A medium sized business	8.89%	4
A provincial chain	4.44%	2
An international chain	2.22%	1
Other (please specify):	6.67%	3
TOTAL		45

Q2 Where is your business located?

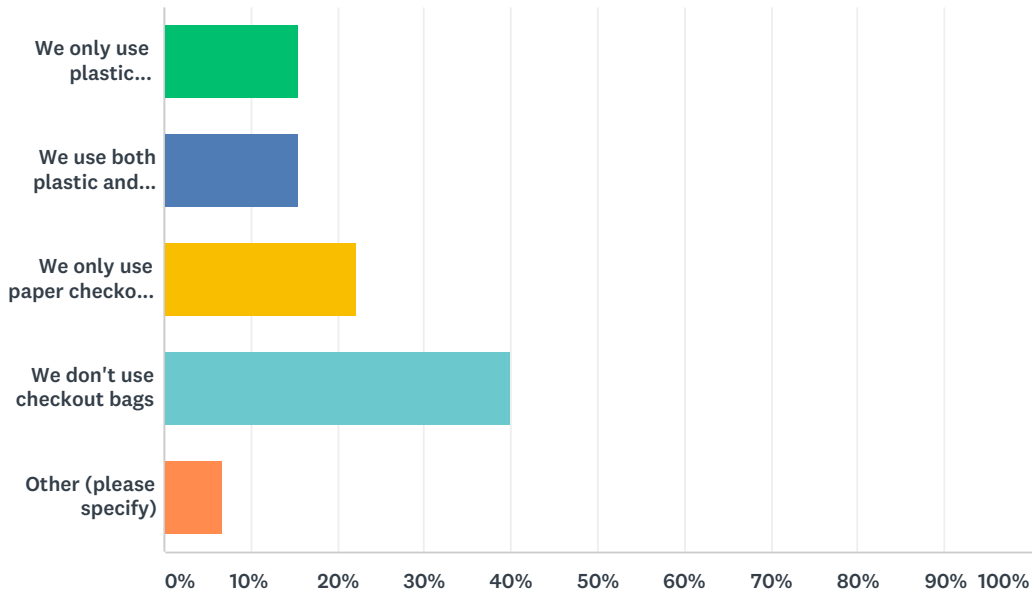
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Courtenay	88.89%	40
Comox	2.22%	1
Cumberland	2.22%	1
Comox Valley Regional District	2.22%	1
Other (please specify):	4.44%	2
TOTAL		45

Q3 How much does your business rely on plastic checkout bags?

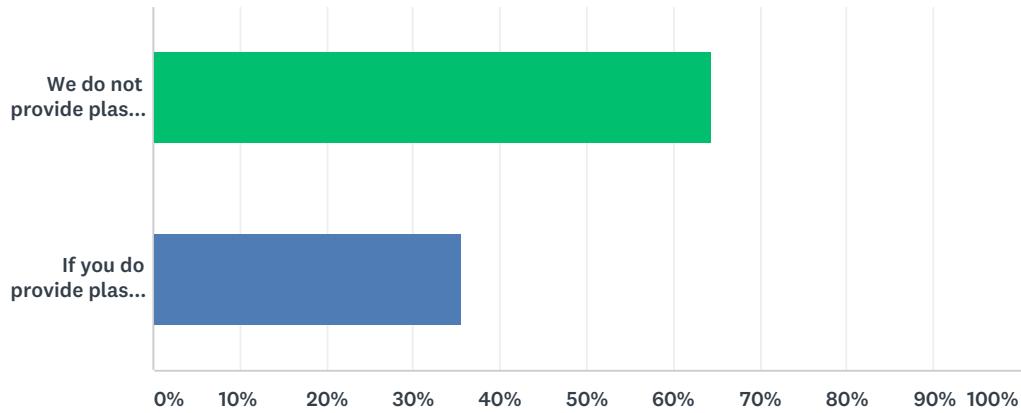
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
We only use plastic checkout bags	15.56%	7
We use both plastic and paper checkout bags	15.56%	7
We only use paper checkout bags	22.22%	10
We don't use checkout bags	40.00%	18
Other (please specify)	6.67%	3
TOTAL		45

Q4 Approximately how many plastic bags does your business provide each year?

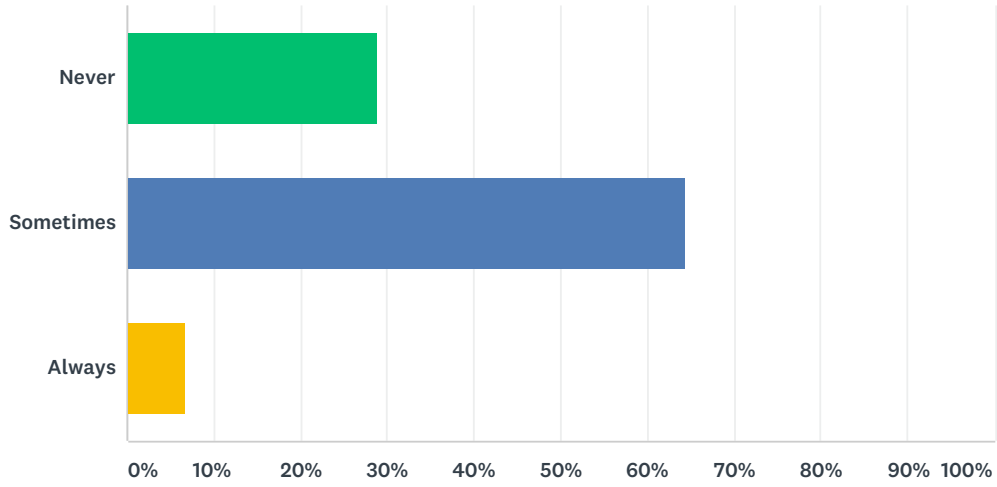
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
We do not provide plastic checkout bags	64.44%	29
If you do provide plastic bags, please enter the number provided each year:	35.56%	16
TOTAL		45

Q5 How often do customers bring their own bags?

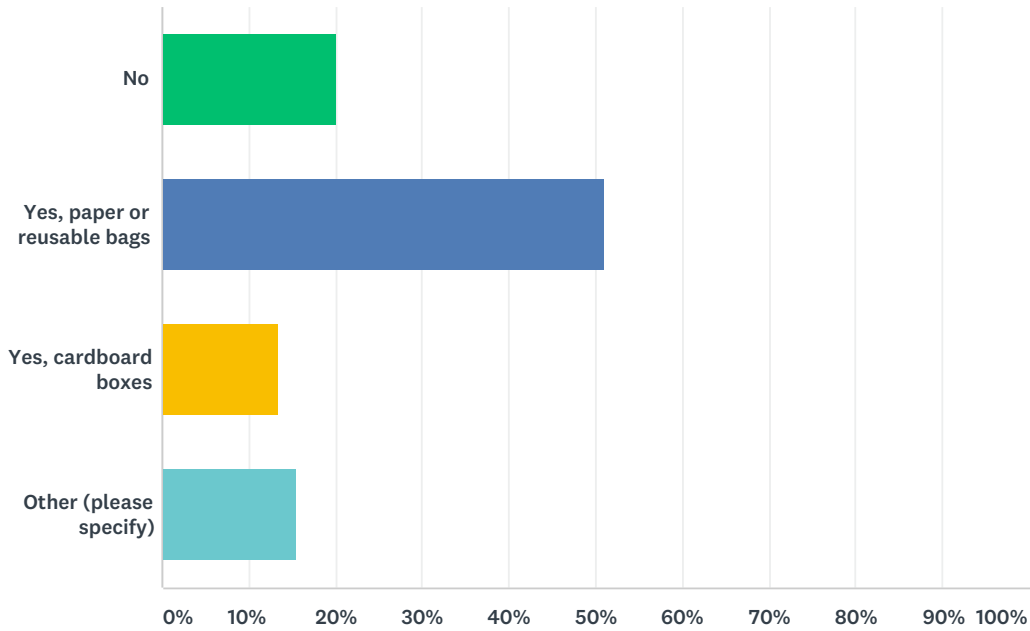
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Never	28.89%	13
Sometimes	64.44%	29
Always	6.67%	3
TOTAL		45

Q6 Do you offer alternatives other than plastic bags, if a customer requests?

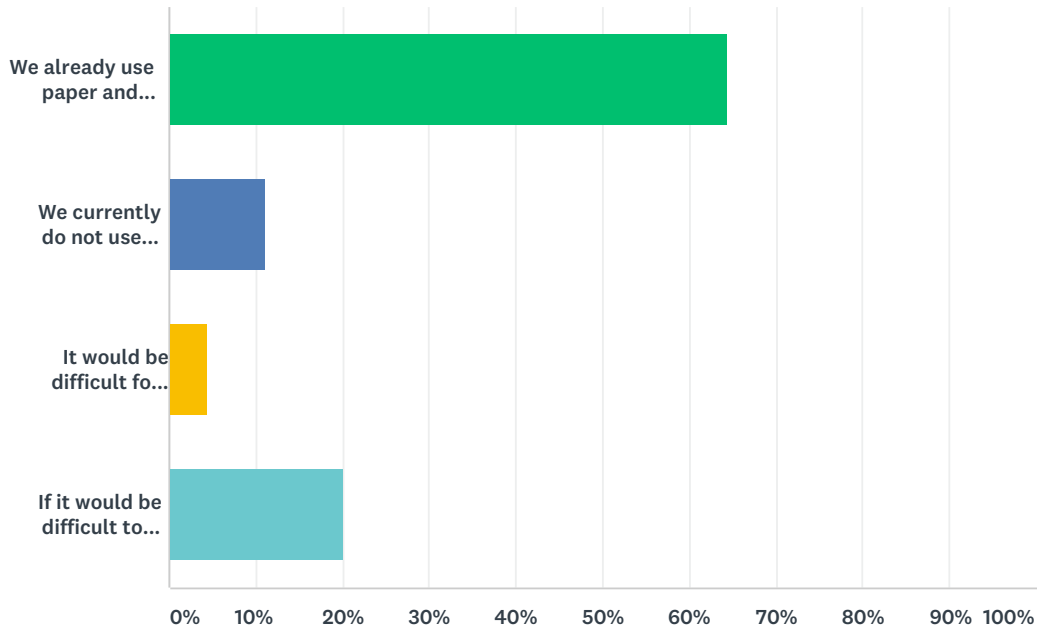
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
No	20.00%	9
Yes, paper or reusable bags	51.11%	23
Yes, cardboard boxes	13.33%	6
Other (please specify)	15.56%	7
TOTAL		45

Q7 If your business does not currently offer paper or reusable bags, would acquiring and integrating them be a problem?

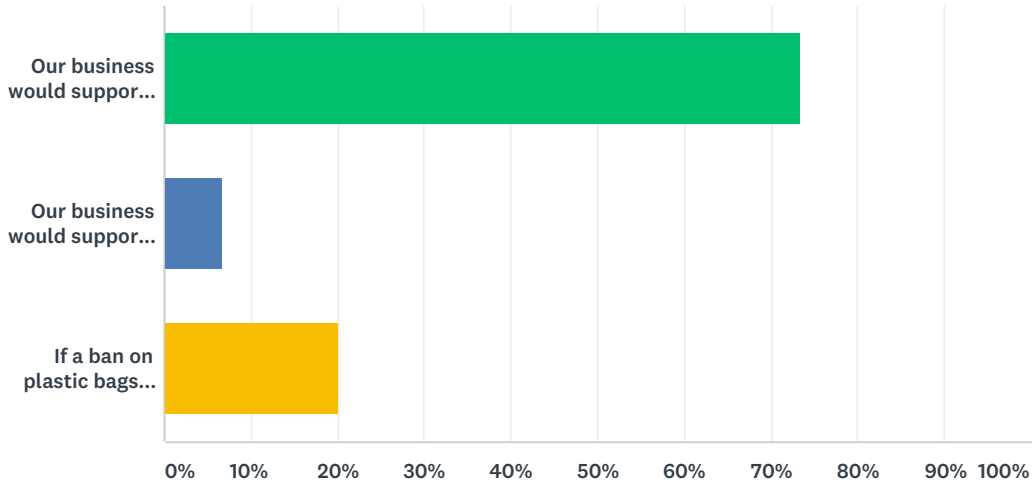
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
We already use paper and reusable bags.	64.44%	29
We currently do not use paper or re-usable bags, but it would not be difficult to switch from plastic bags.	11.11%	5
It would be difficult for our business to switch from plastic to paper.	4.44%	2
If it would be difficult to supply customers with paper checkout bags, please explain why:	20.00%	9
TOTAL		45

Q8 To help cover the cost of bags, retailers will be required to charge consumers a fee of \$0.25 per paper bag and \$1.00 per reusable bag. Retailers would retain the revenue generated by the fee in order to cover the costs associated with implementing the ban on plastic bags. What are your business's thoughts on such a fee?

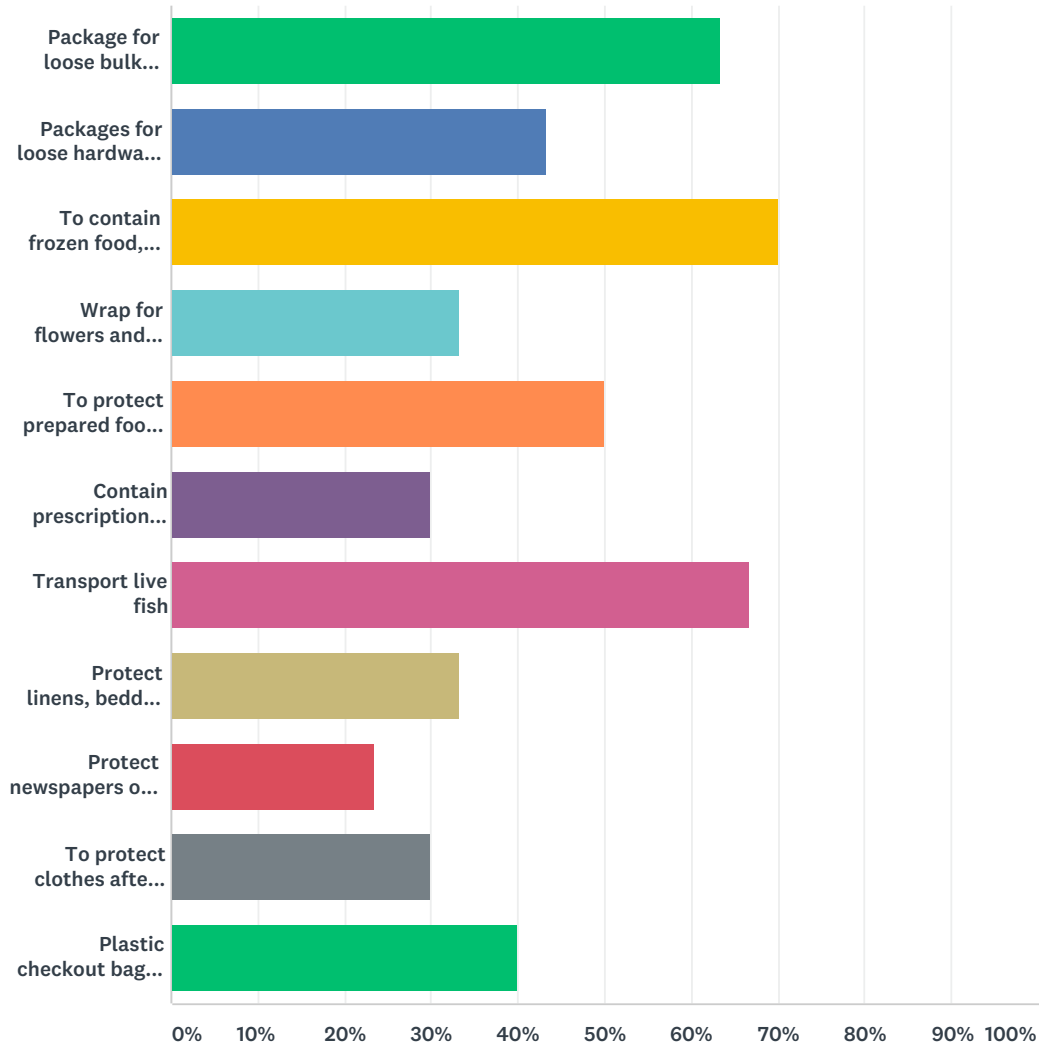
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Our business would support a ban on plastic bags and a fee imposed on bags.	73.33%	33
Our business would support a ban on plastic bags, this would negatively affect our business.	6.67%	3
If a ban on plastic bags and fee imposed on paper bags would negatively affect your business, please explain why:	20.00%	9
TOTAL		45

Q9 There are a number of exceptions being contemplated. Please check all the uses that you agree should be exempted from the regulation or suggest additional ones for consideration:

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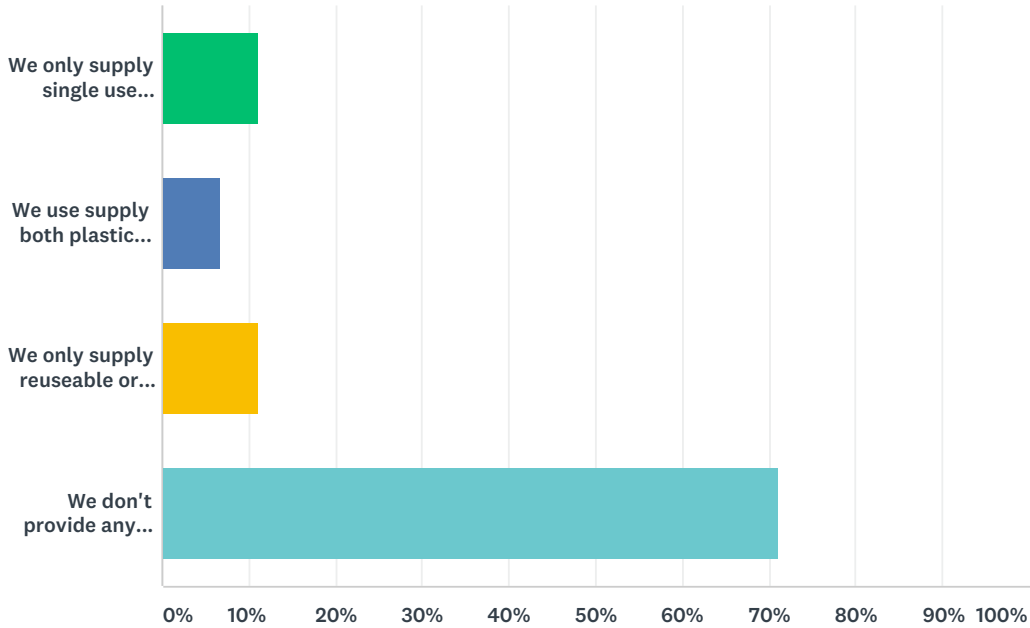
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Package for loose bulk items	63.33%	19
Packages for loose hardware items	43.33%	13
To contain frozen food, meats and seafood	70.00%	21
Wrap for flowers and potted plants	33.33%	10
To protect prepared foods and bakery goods	50.00%	15
Contain prescription drugs from a pharmacy	30.00%	9
Transport live fish	66.67%	20
Protect linens, bedding or other similar large items that cannot fit easily into a reusable bag	33.33%	10

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Protect newspapers or other printed material	23.33%	7
To protect clothes after professional dry cleaning or laundering	30.00%	9
Plastic checkout bags returned to the business by other customers	40.00%	12
Total Respondents: 30		

Q10 How much does your business rely on single use plastic straws?

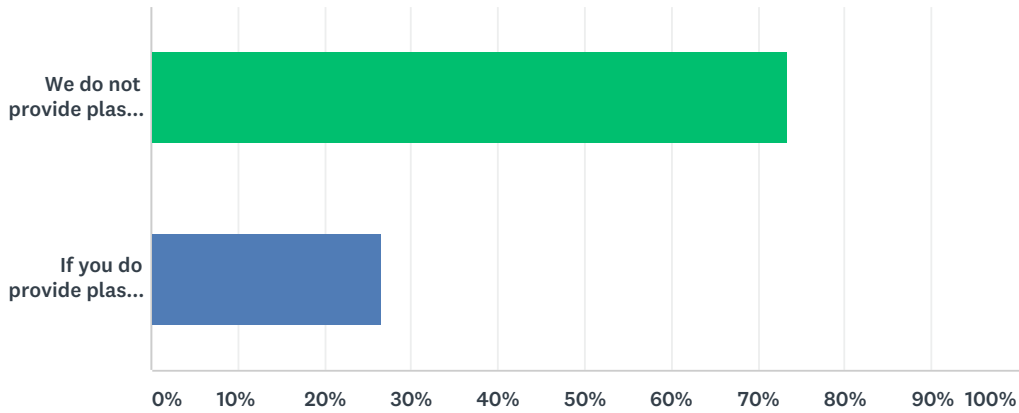
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
We only supply single use plastic straws	11.11%	5
We use supply both plastic and re-usable or compostable straws	6.67%	3
We only supply reuseable or compostable	11.11%	5
We don't provide any type of straw	71.11%	32
TOTAL		45

Q11 Approximately how many single use plastic straws does your business provide each year?

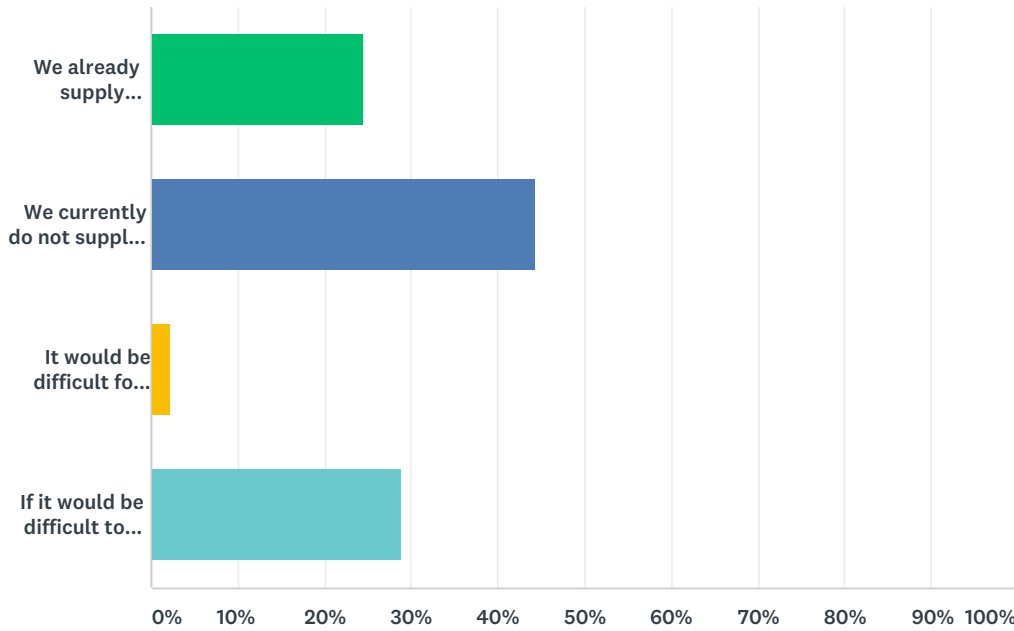
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
We do not provide plastic straws	73.33%	33
If you do provide plastic straws, please enter the number provided each year:	26.67%	12
TOTAL		45

Q12 If your business does not currently offer reusable or compostable straws, would acquiring and integrating them be a problem?

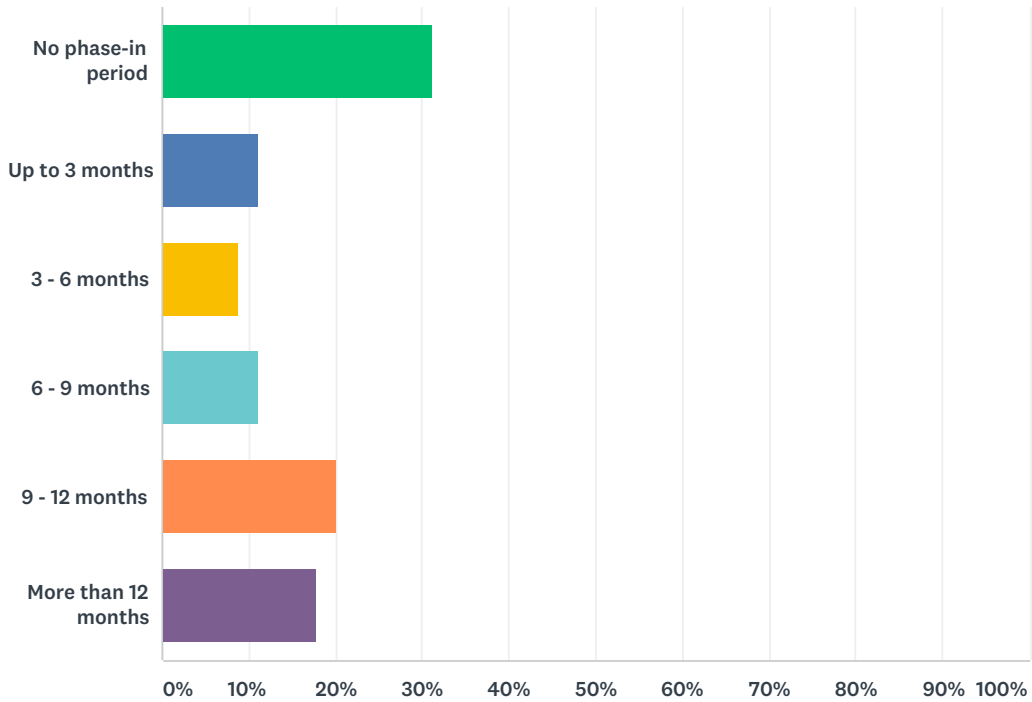
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
We already supply re-usable or compostable straws.	24.44%	11
We currently do not supply re-usable or compostable straws, but it would not be difficult to switch from plastic bags.	44.44%	20
It would be difficult for our business to switch from plastic to re-usable or compostable straws.	2.22%	1
If it would be difficult to supply customers with reusable or compostable straws, please explain why:	28.89%	13
TOTAL		45

Q13 How many months do you think is necessary for a phase-in period for your business to switch away from the use of single use plastics?

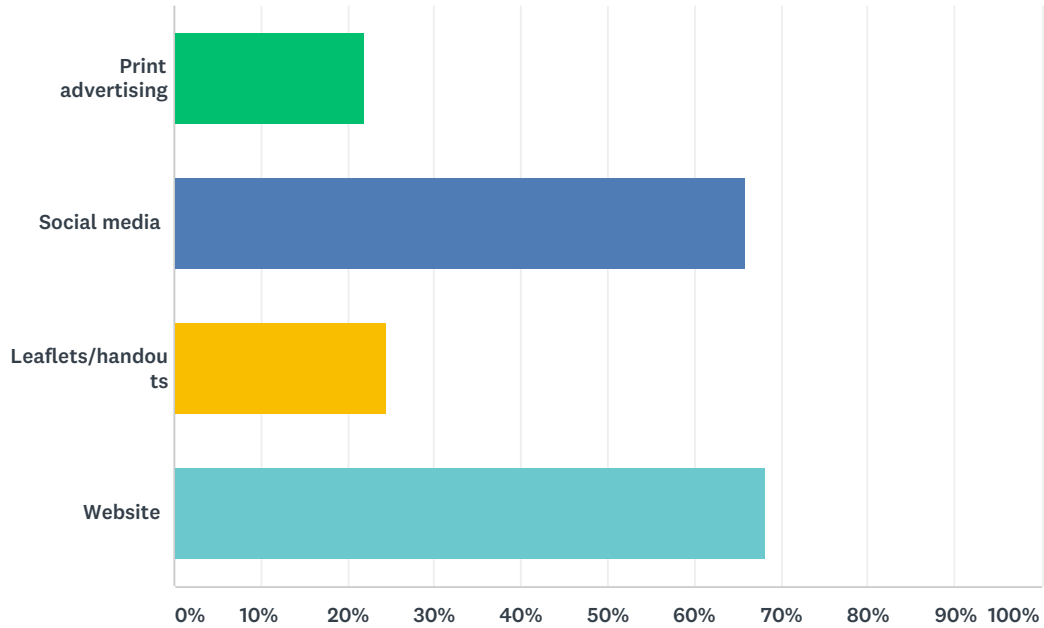
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
No phase-in period	31.11%	14
Up to 3 months	11.11%	5
3 - 6 months	8.89%	4
6 - 9 months	11.11%	5
9 - 12 months	20.00%	9
More than 12 months	17.78%	8
TOTAL		45

Q14 If you were looking to receive more information about the new Single Use Plastics regulation, which types of education sources do you think would be most effective for you?

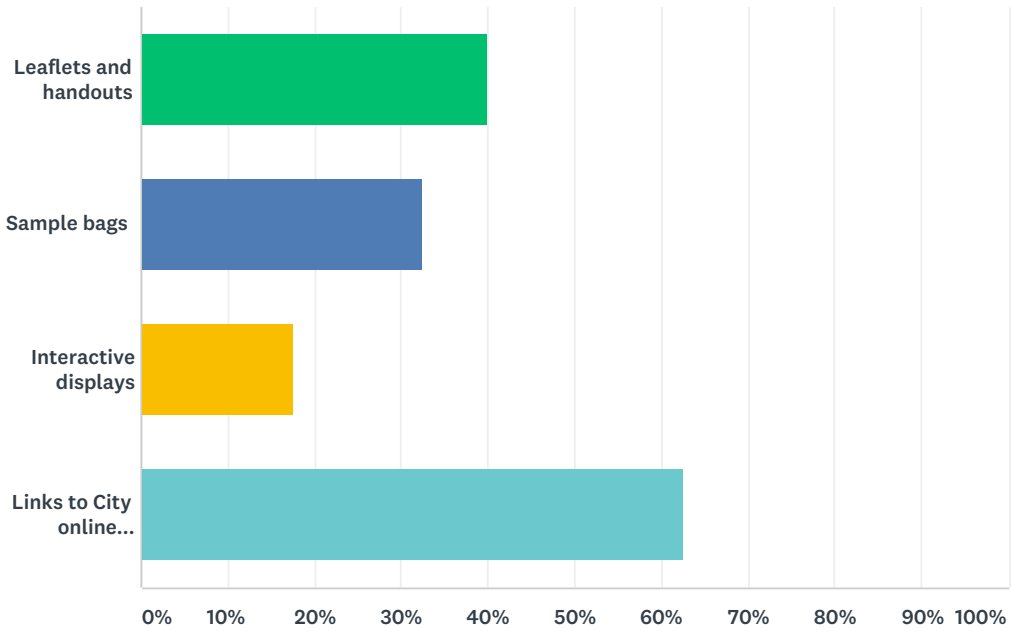
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Print advertising	21.95% 9
Social media	65.85% 27
Leaflets/handouts	24.39% 10
Website	68.29% 28
Total Respondents: 41	

Q15 What kind of information about a new regulation would best help your customers and staff?

Answered: 40 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Leaflets and handouts	40.00%	16
Sample bags	32.50%	13
Interactive displays	17.50%	7
Links to City online resources	62.50%	25
Total Respondents: 40		