# LOUDOUN COUNTY COMBINED FIRE AND RESCUE SYSTEM OVERALL SURVEY RESULTS

As conducted by the County Administrator's Combined Fire and Rescue System Stakeholders Group

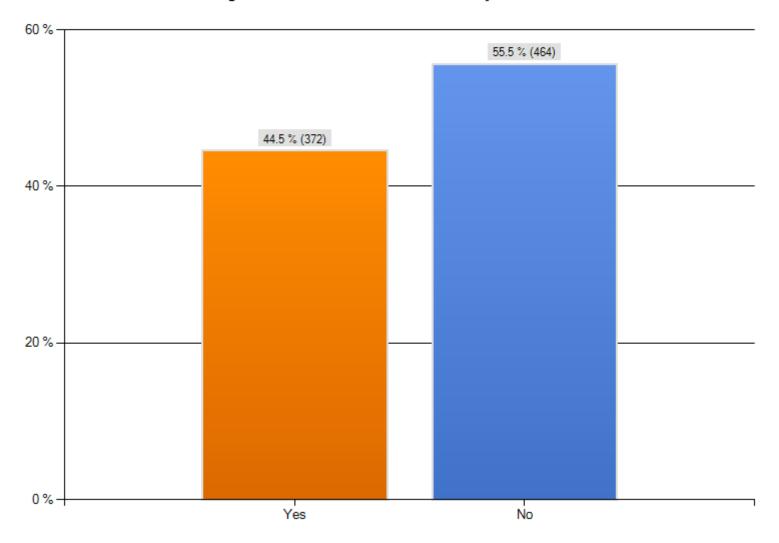
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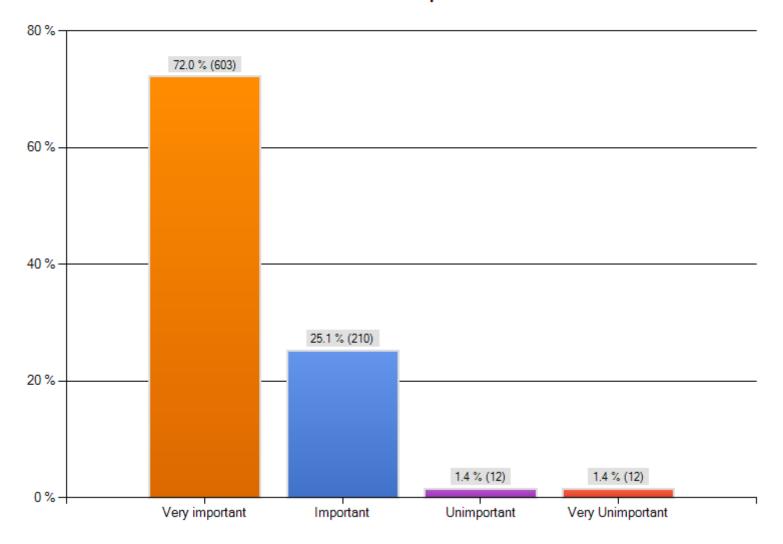
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| Total Respondents                       | 868 |       |
| Career or Volunteer <sup>/1</sup>       |     |       |
| Career                                  | 449 | 37.1% |
| Volunteer                               | 254 | 65.6% |
| Skipped Question                        | 184 |       |
| Discipline: Fire, EMS or Administrative |     |       |
| Fire                                    | 369 | 57.8% |
| EMS                                     | 211 | 33.1% |
| Administrative                          | 58  | 9.1%  |
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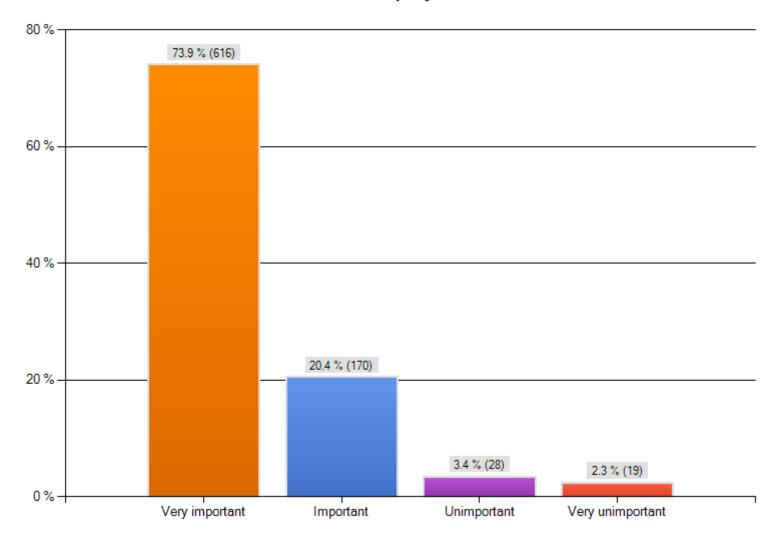
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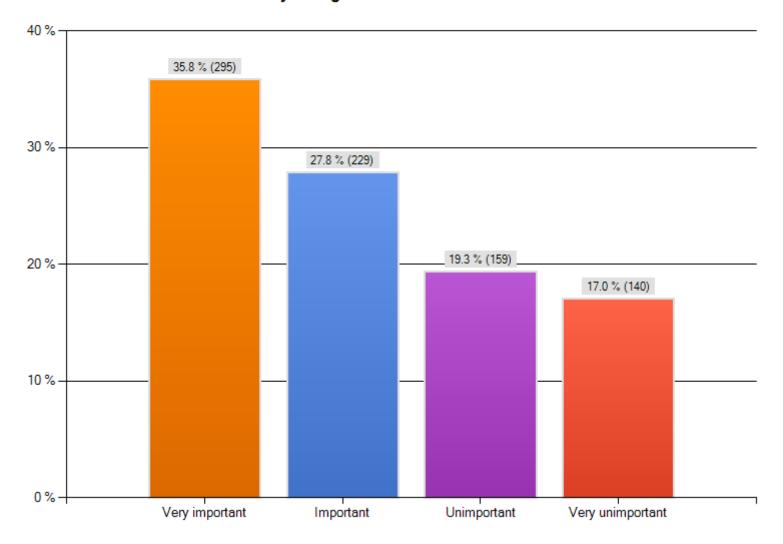
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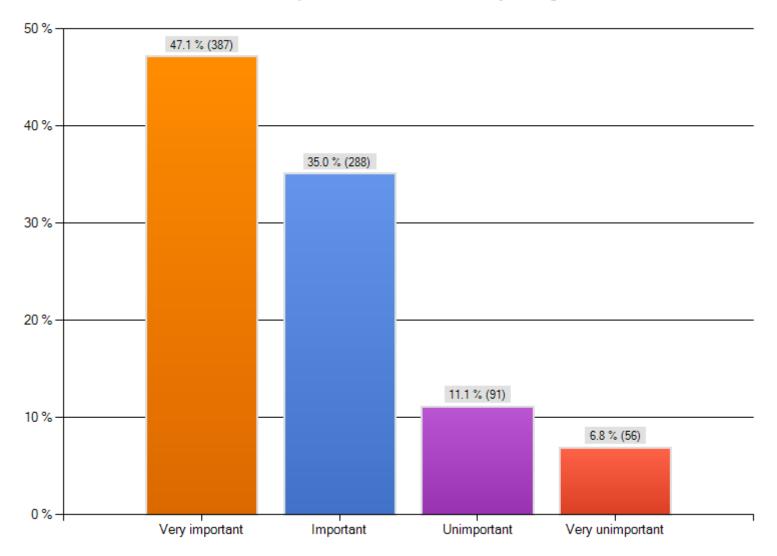
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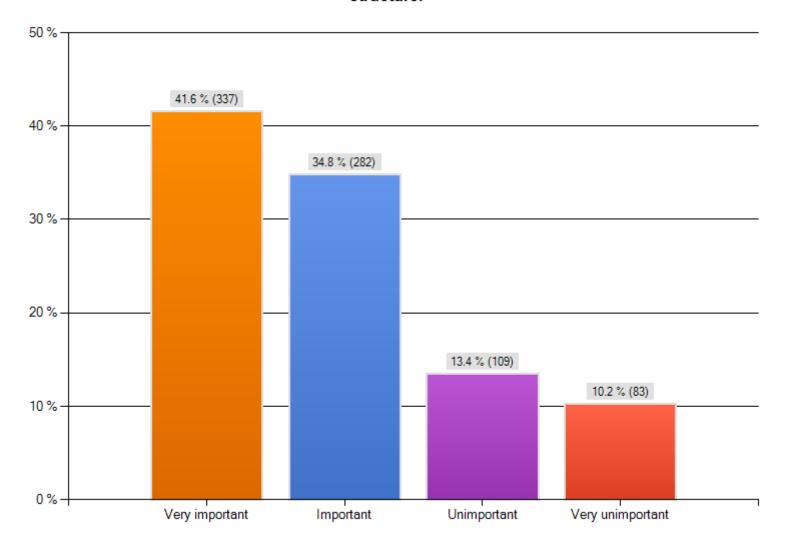
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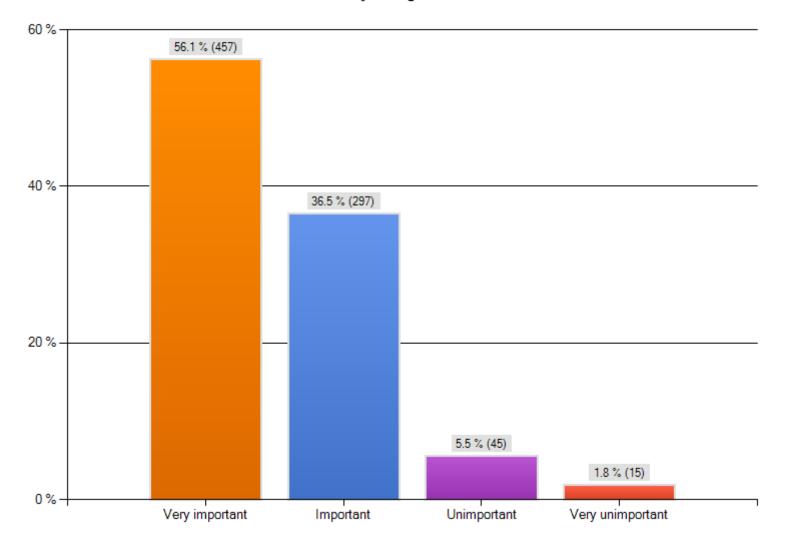
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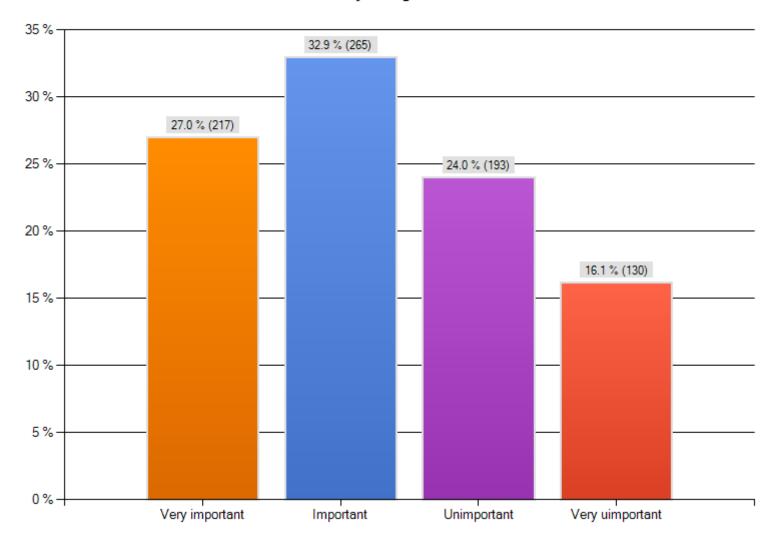
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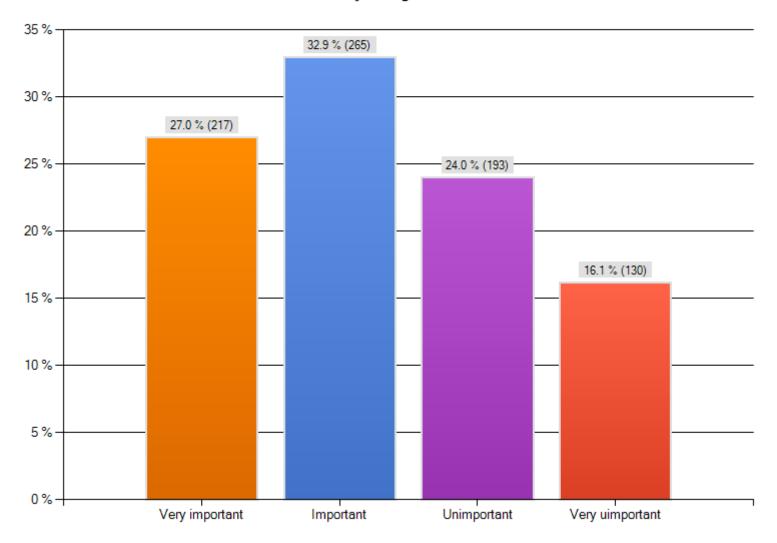
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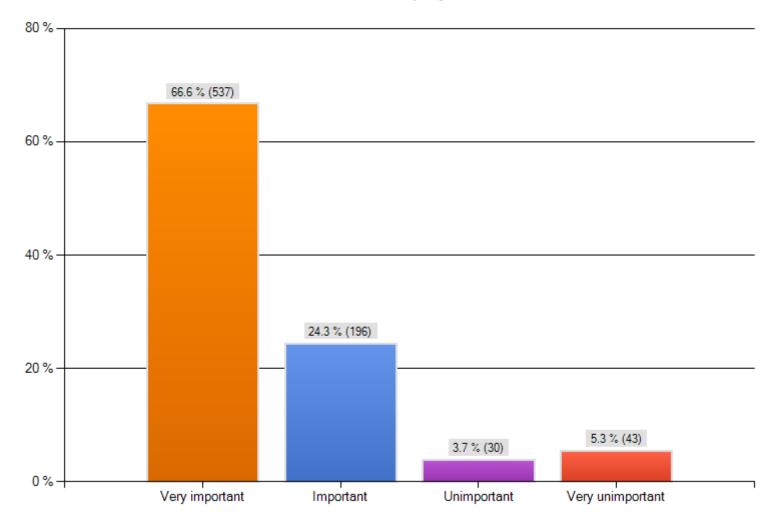
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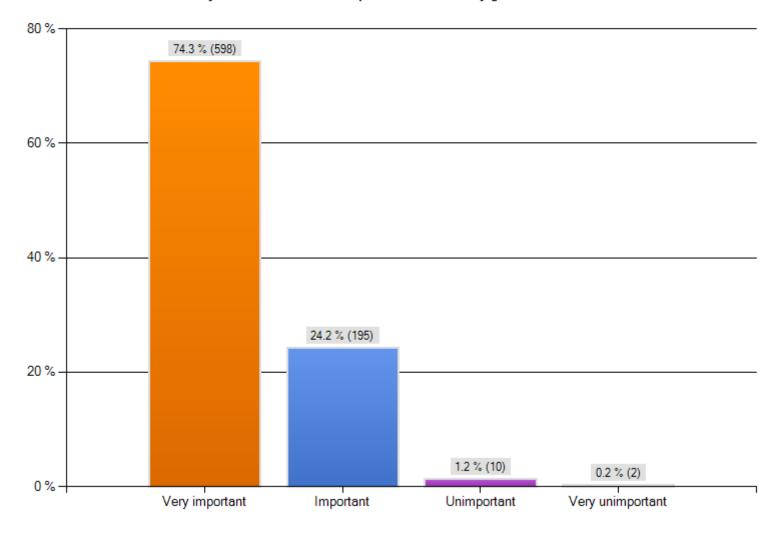
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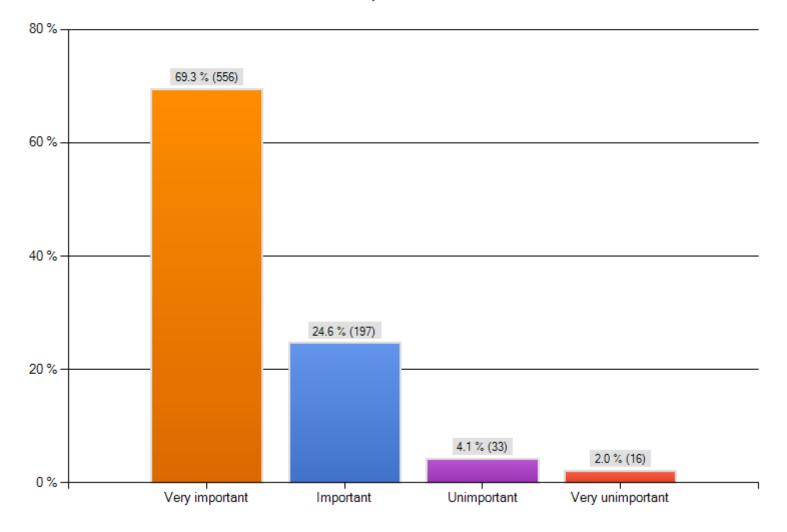
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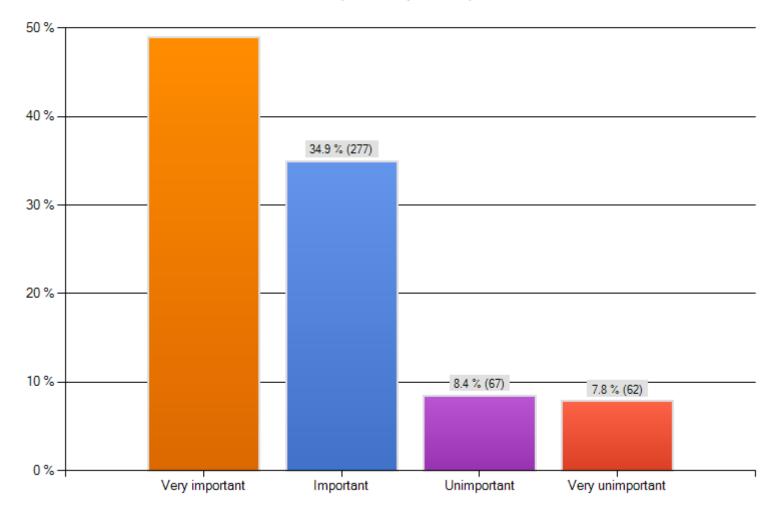
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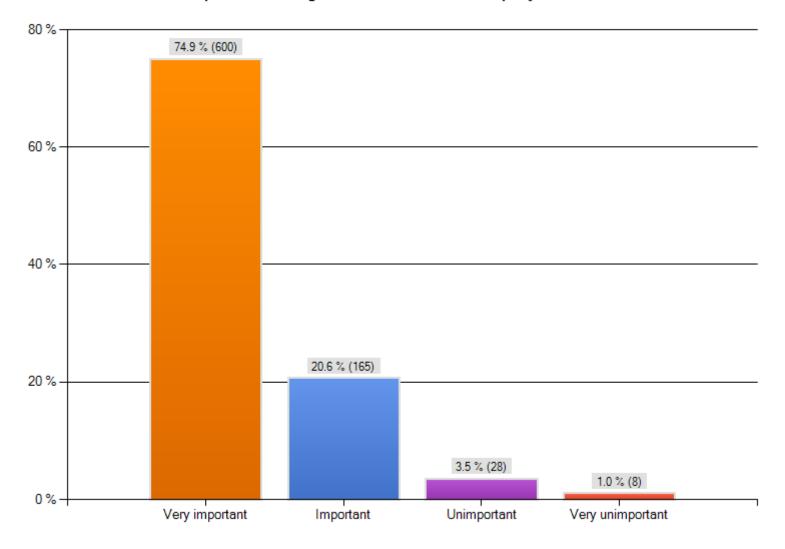
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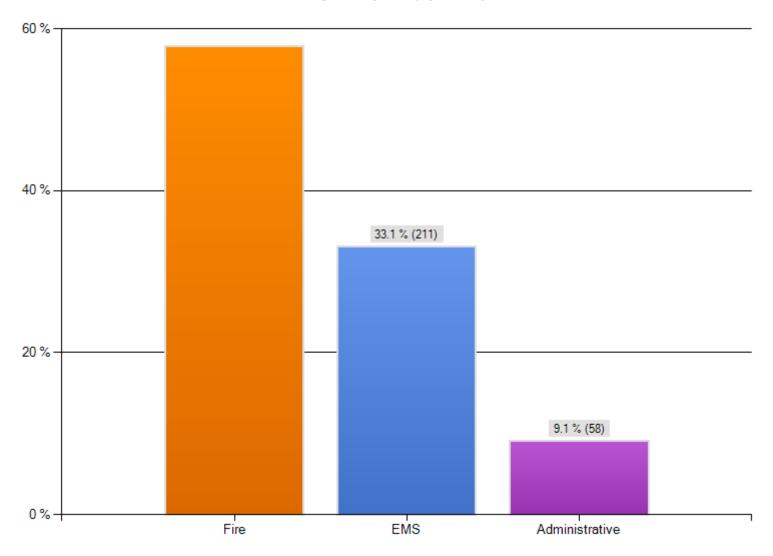
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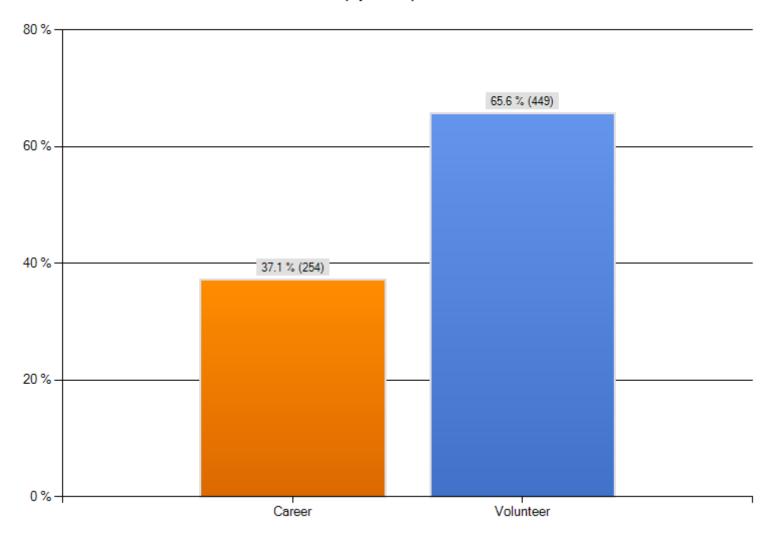
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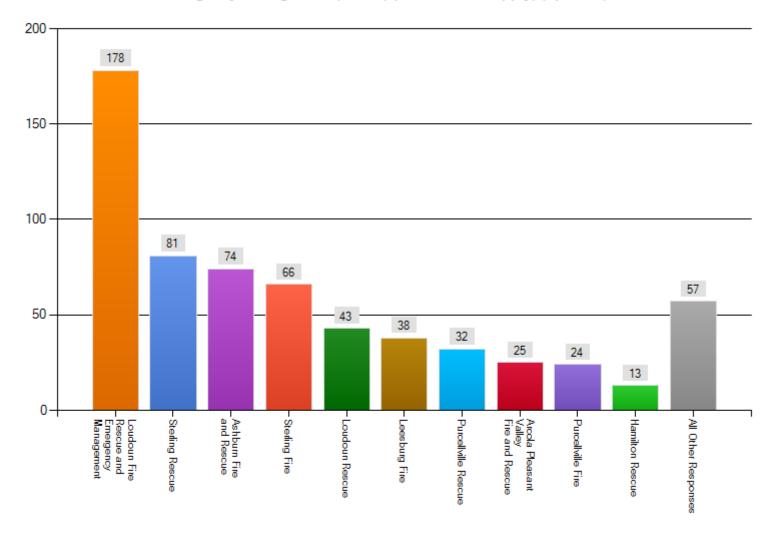
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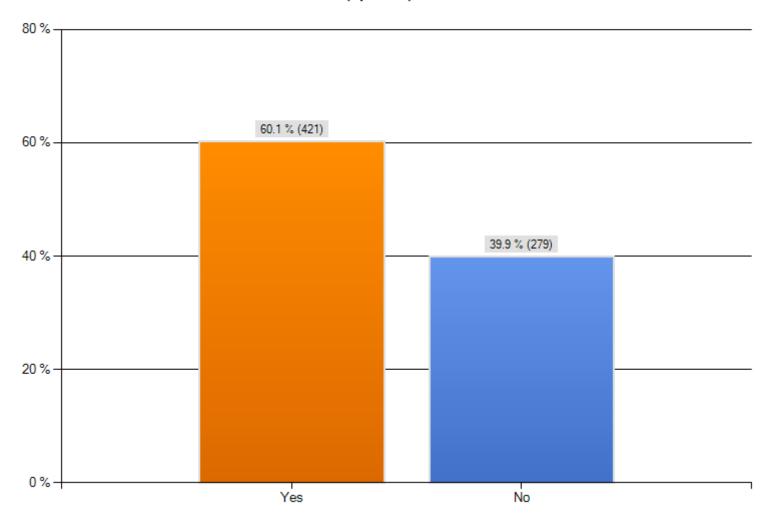
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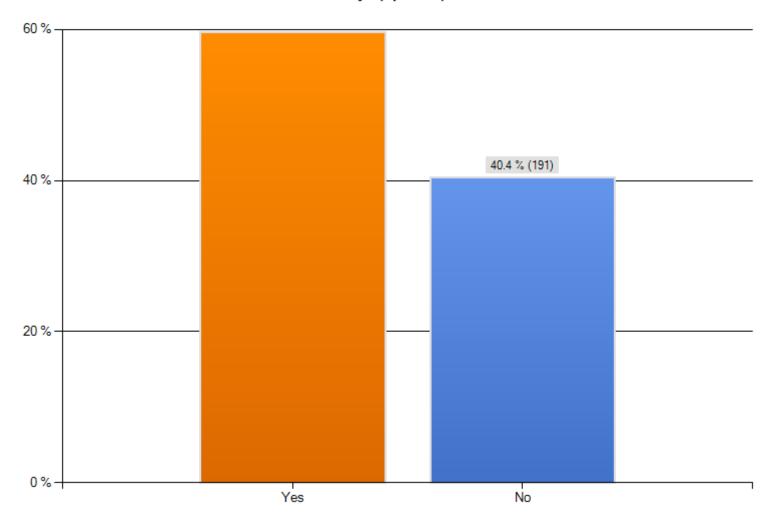
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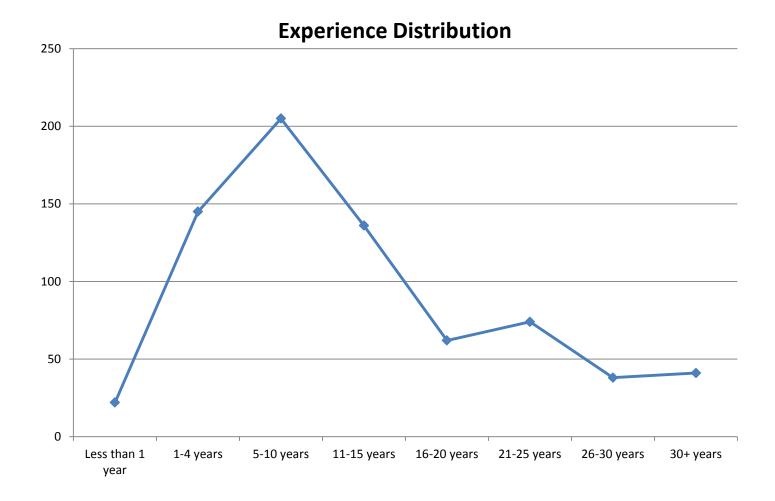


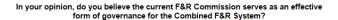
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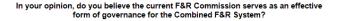


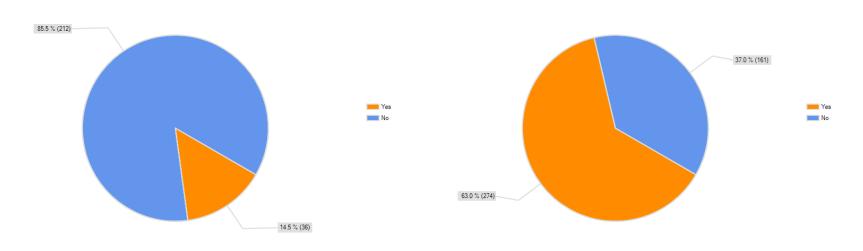
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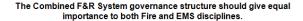


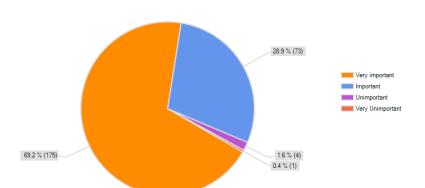




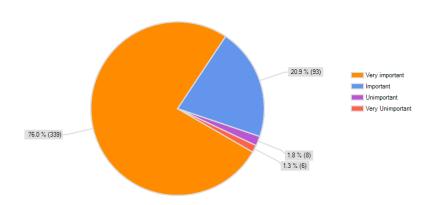




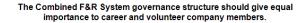


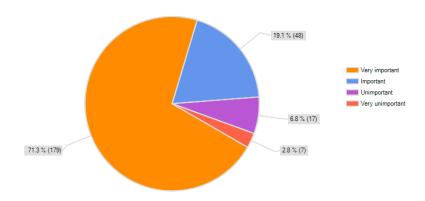


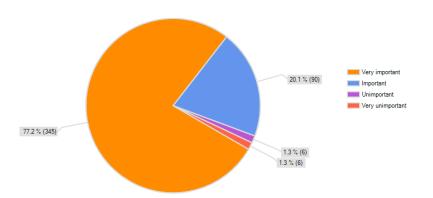
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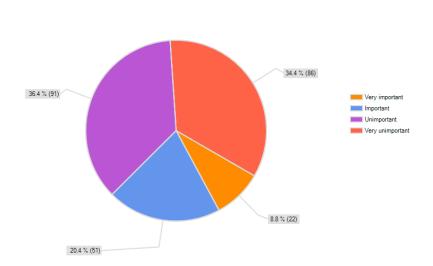
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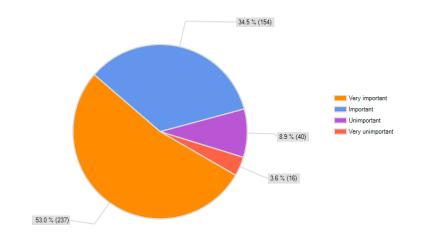


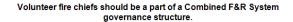


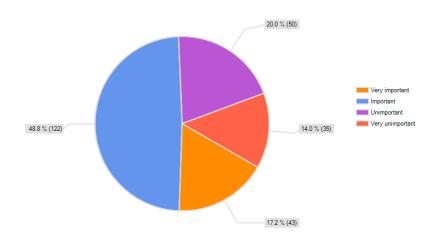
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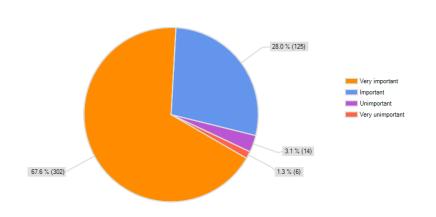
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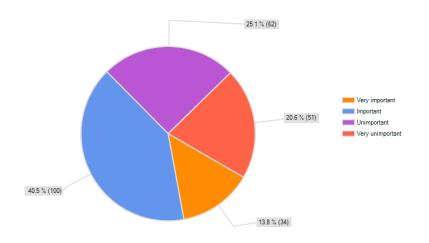




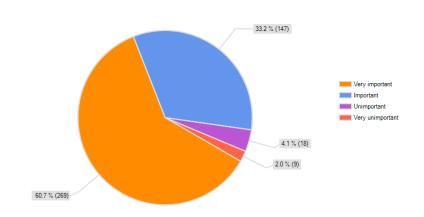
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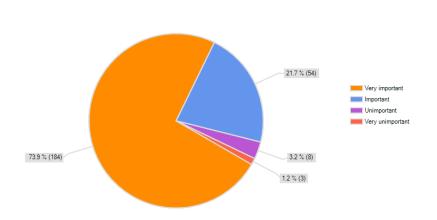
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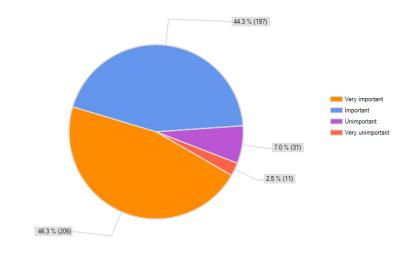
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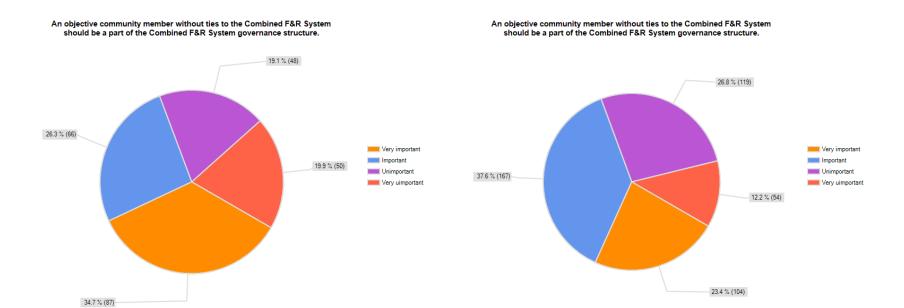


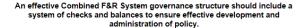
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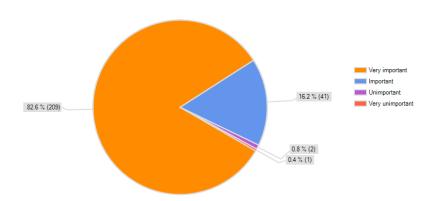


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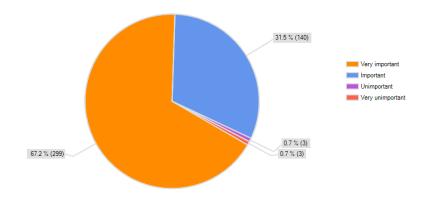




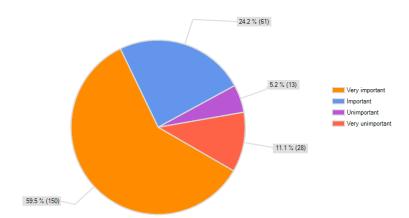




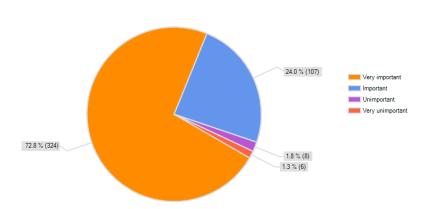
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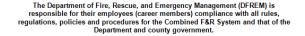
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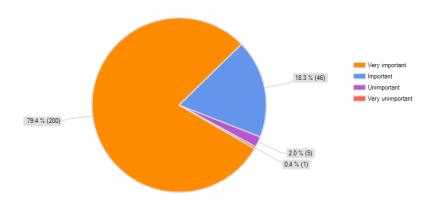


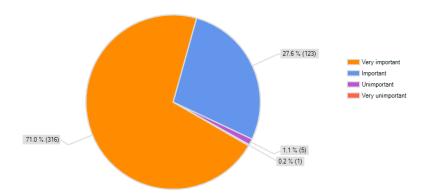
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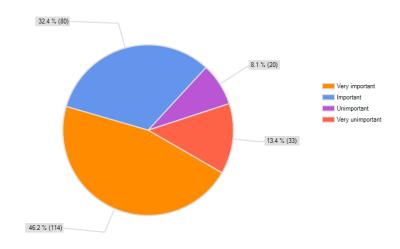
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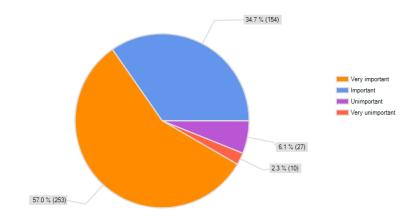




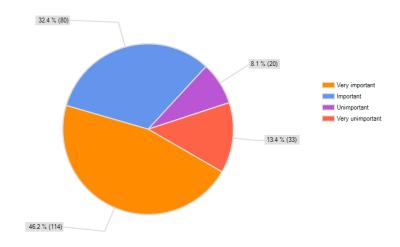
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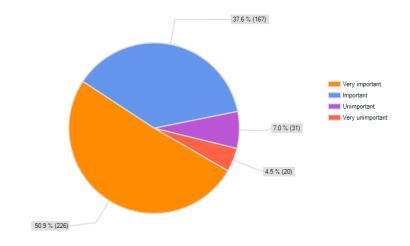
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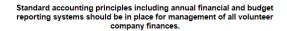
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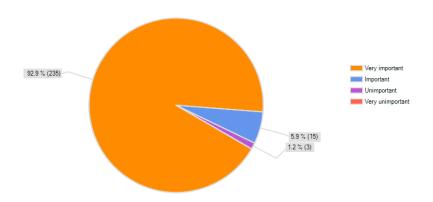


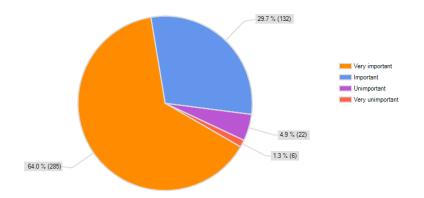
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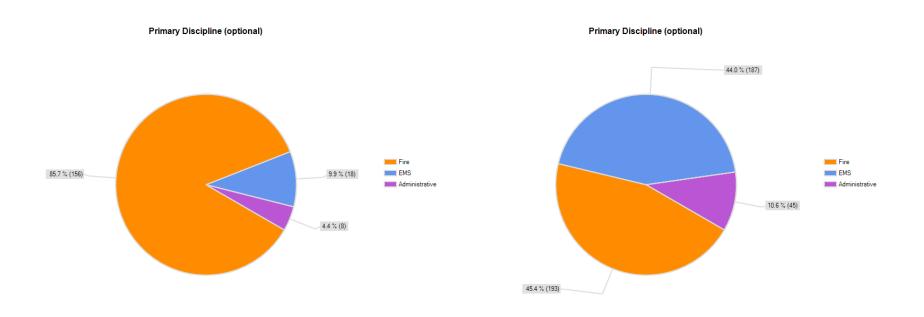


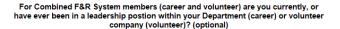
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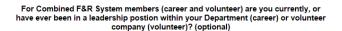


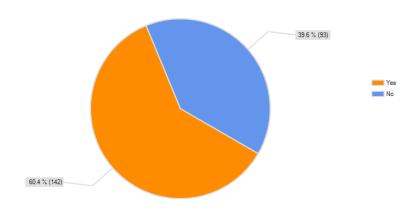


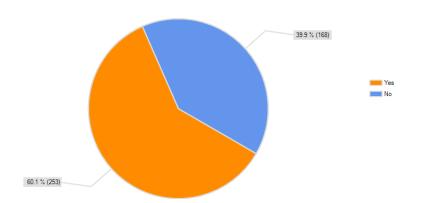




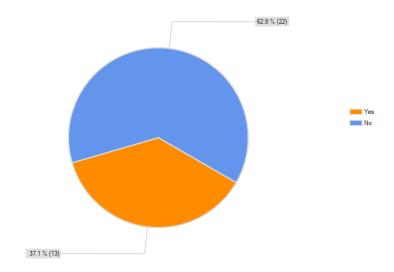




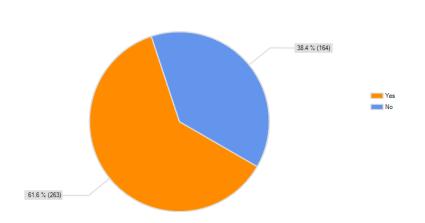




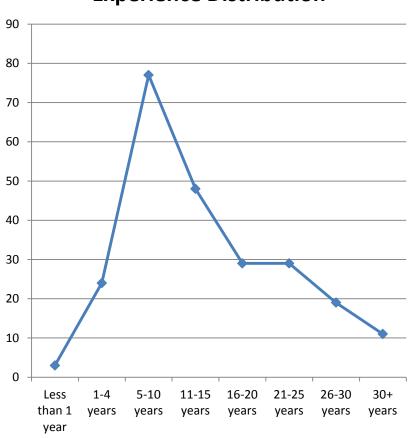
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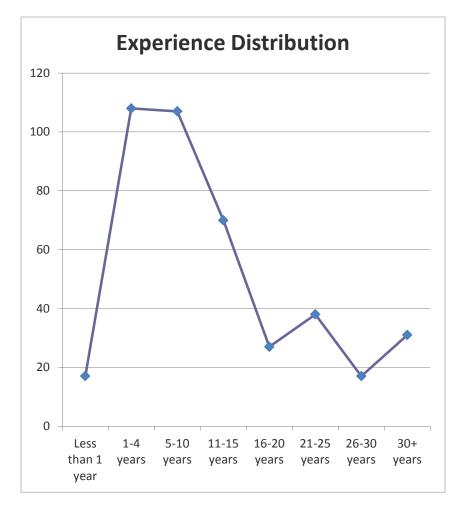


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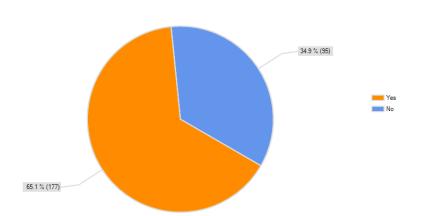


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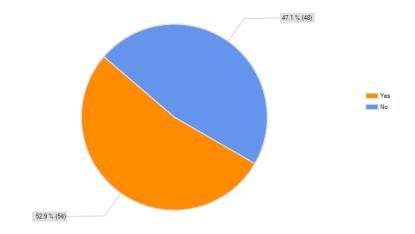




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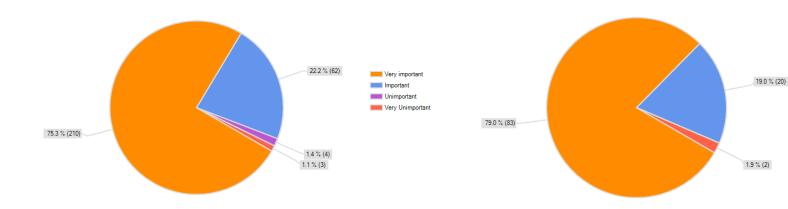


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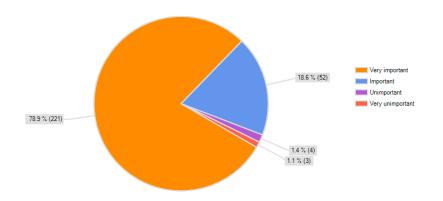
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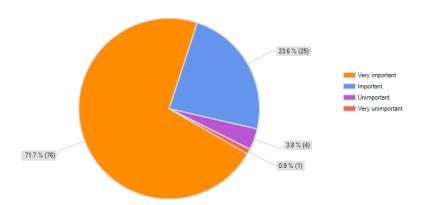
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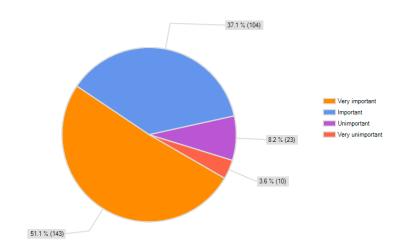
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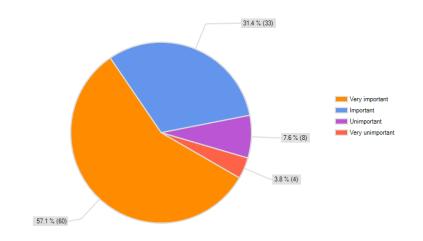




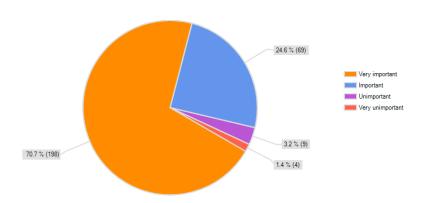
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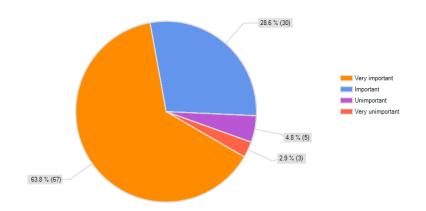
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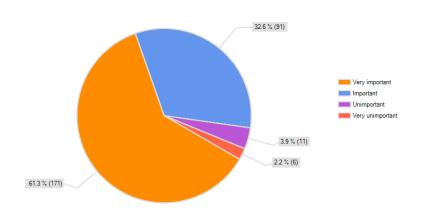
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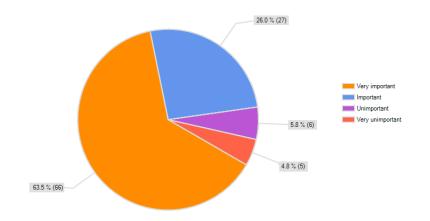
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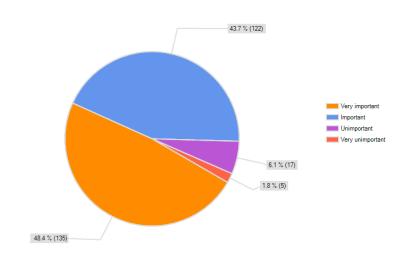
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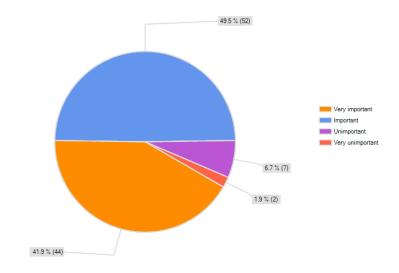
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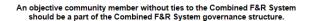


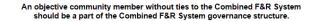
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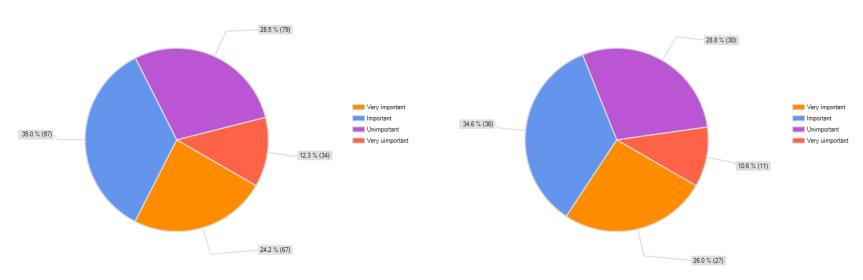


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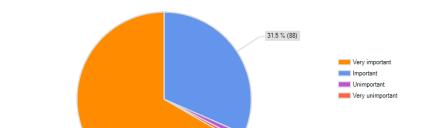








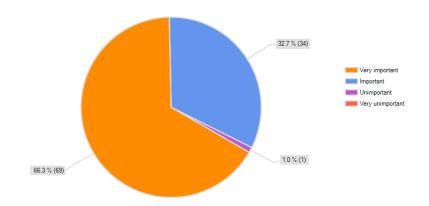
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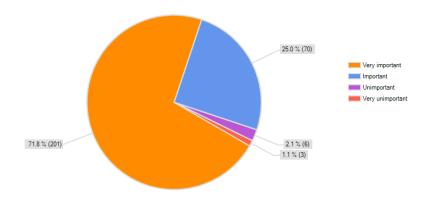
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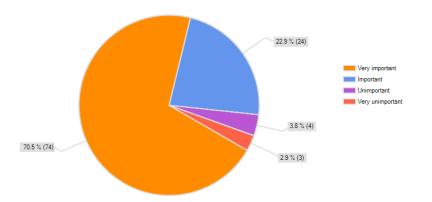


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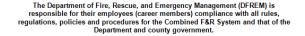
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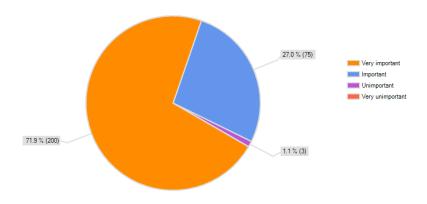
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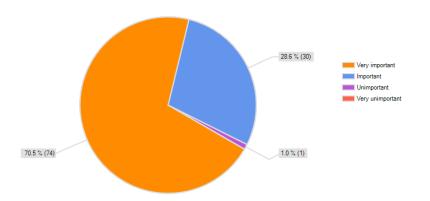




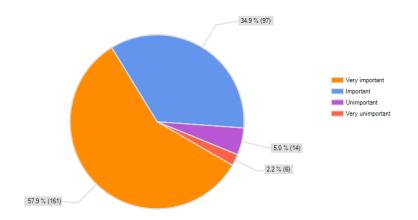
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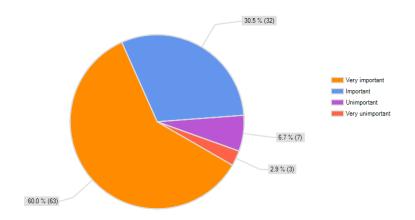




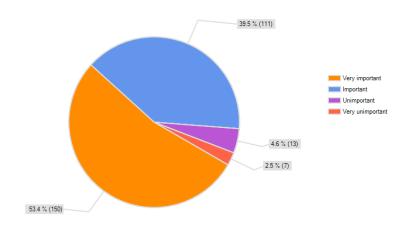
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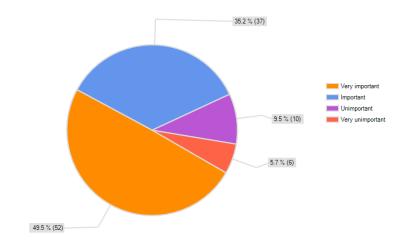
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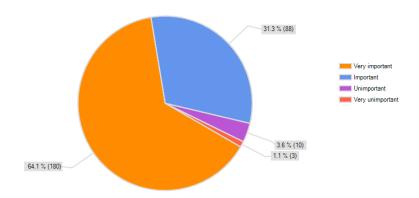
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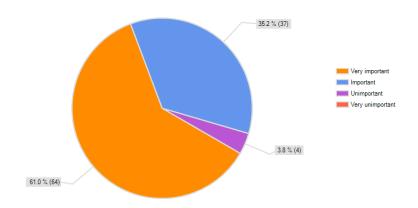
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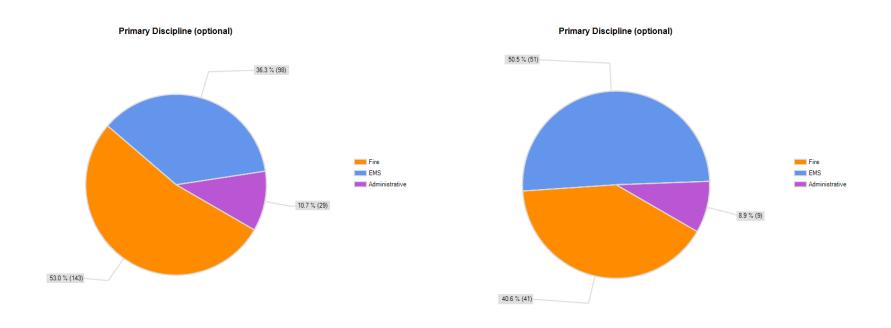


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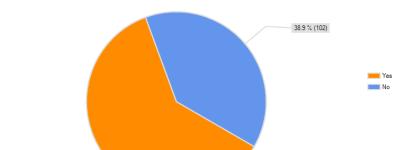


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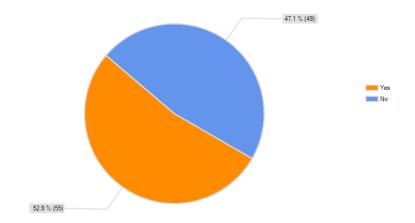




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61.1 % (160)

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