

# 2023 Enrolled Student Survey Highlights

June 2023

# Overview- Enrolled Student Survey

- Biennially administered to all Evanston undergraduates
- Survey questions ask students about topics that include:
  - Participation in activities in and out of the classroom
  - Perceptions about how their skills and abilities have changed since enrolling at Northwestern
  - Sources of advice about academic, career, and personal choices
  - Feeling of health and well being
- Also administered by COFHE peer institutions

# Females and Asian-American students had the highest response rates

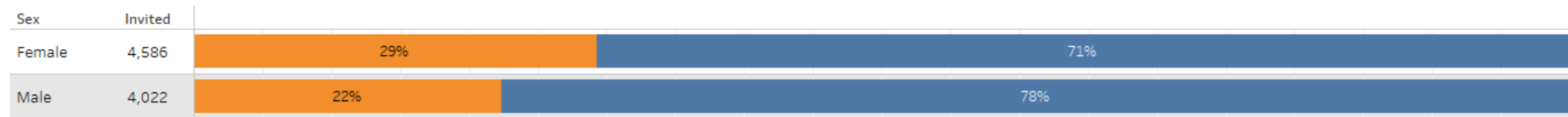
## Overall

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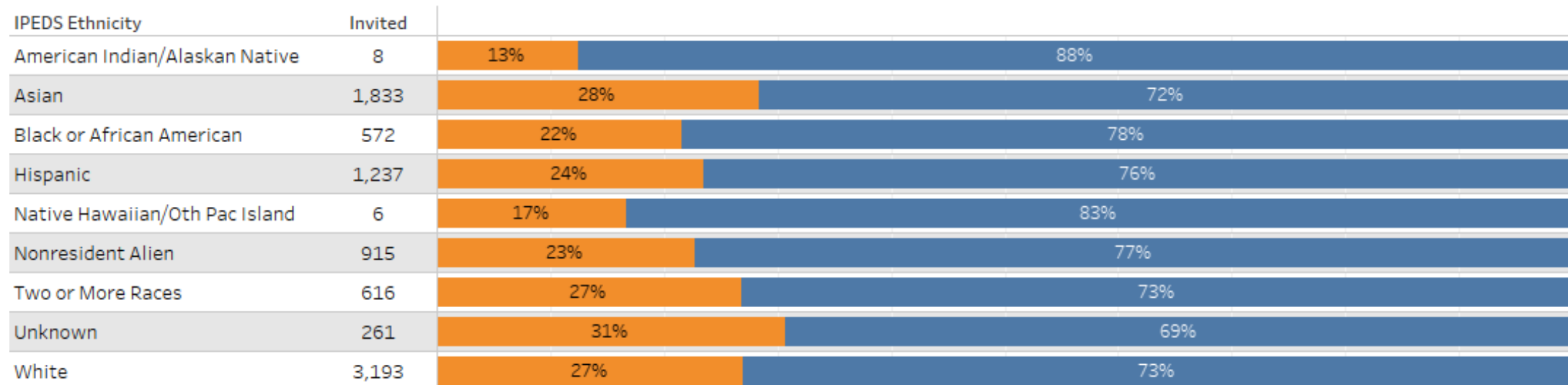
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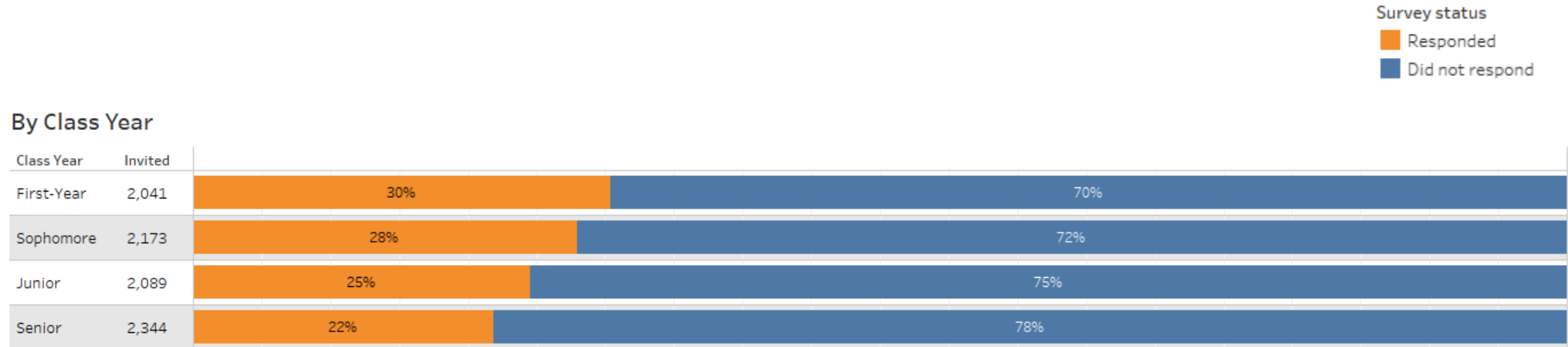
## By Sex



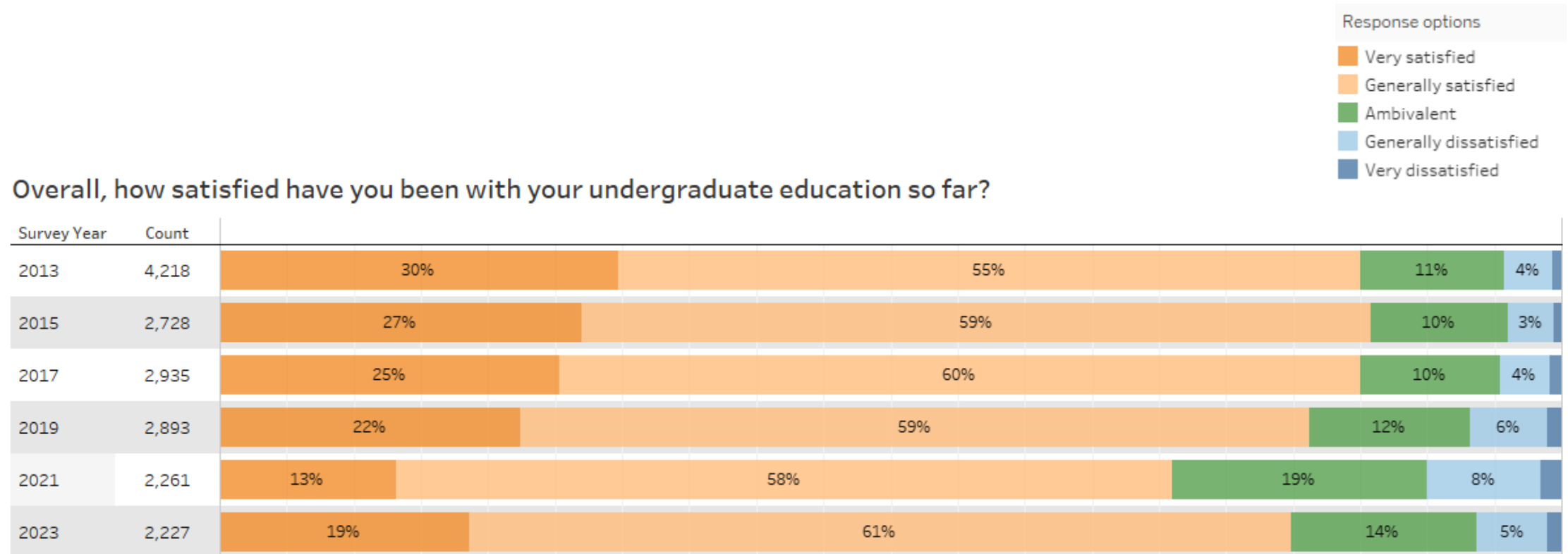
## By Race/ethnicity



# Response rates were progressively lower as student class year advanced



# Overall satisfaction improved after a drop in 2021

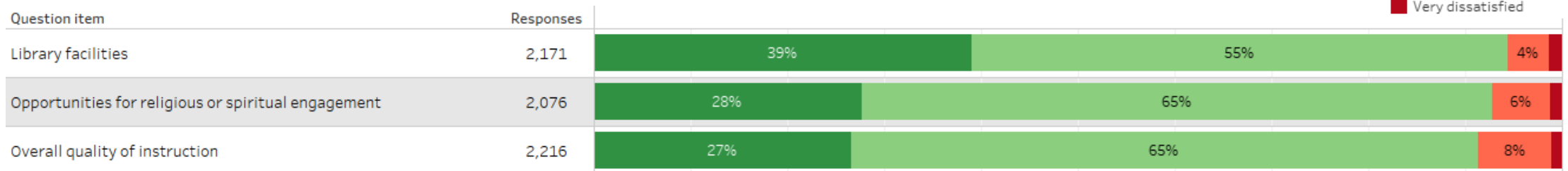


# There were large differences between the highest and lowest rated aspects of the Northwestern experience

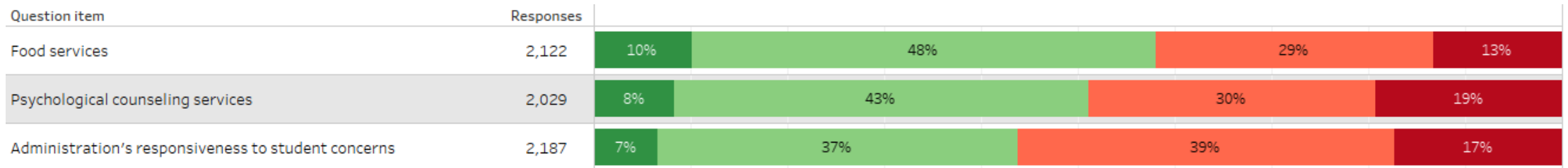
## Evaluate Your School

How satisfied have you been with the following aspects of your experience at Northwestern during the current academic year?

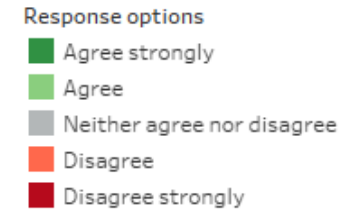
### Highest rated:



### Lowest rated:



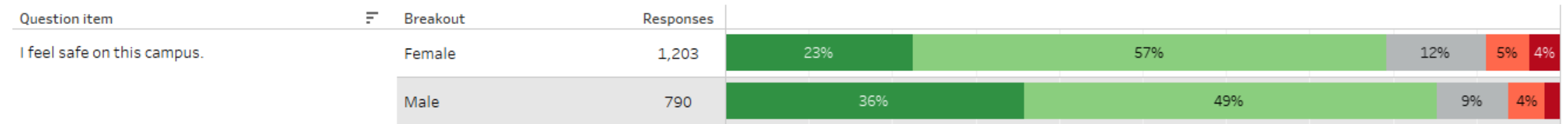
# Most students feel safe on campus



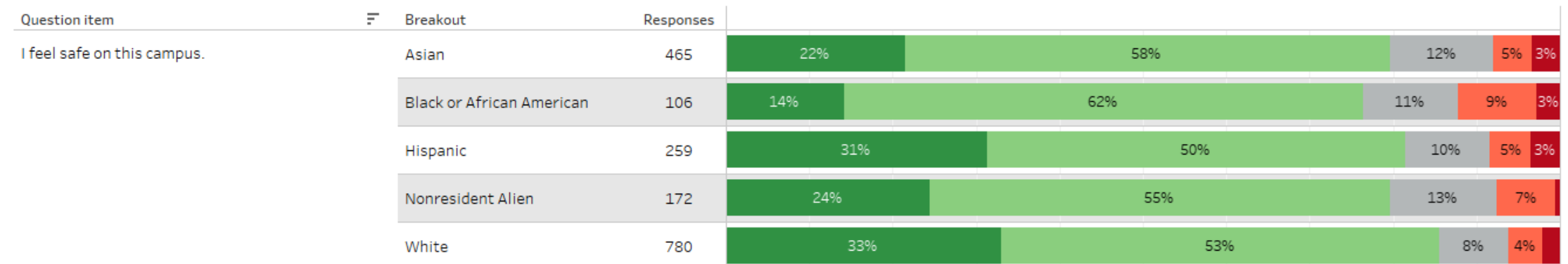
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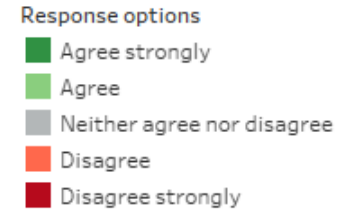
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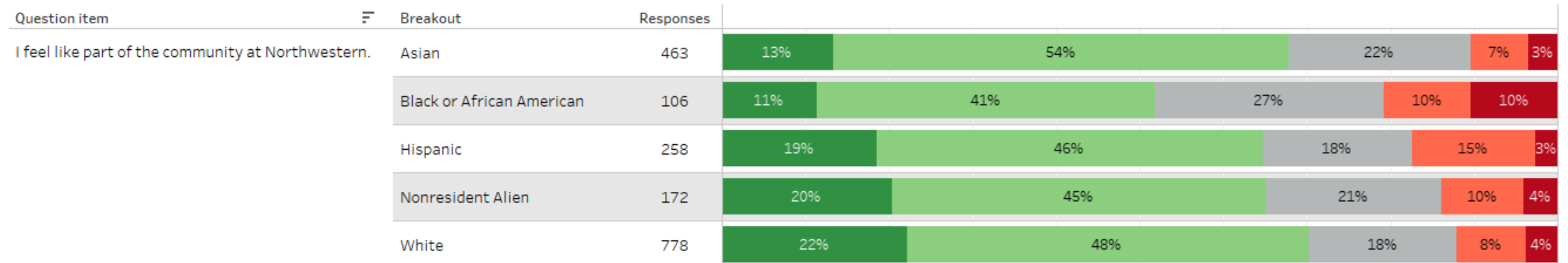
# Most student feel like part of the NU community, but results were more mixed across race/ethnic groups



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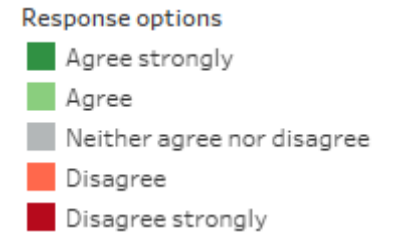


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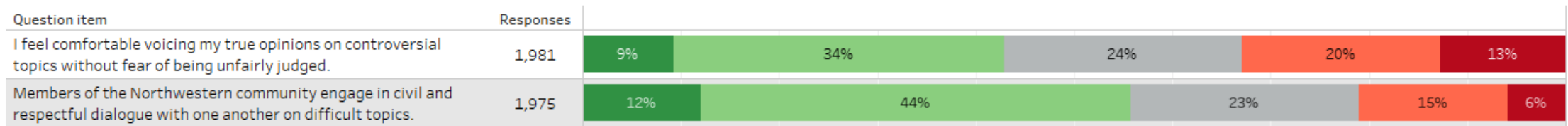




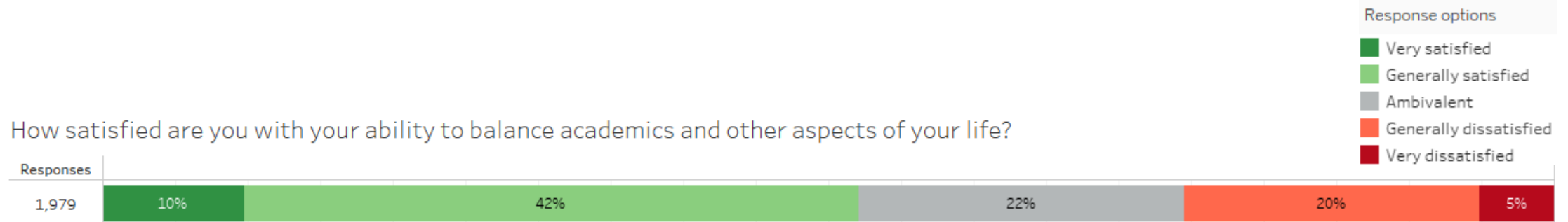
# Although most students agreed they can freely express their views and engage in respectful dialogue on difficult topics, the levels of disagreement are high



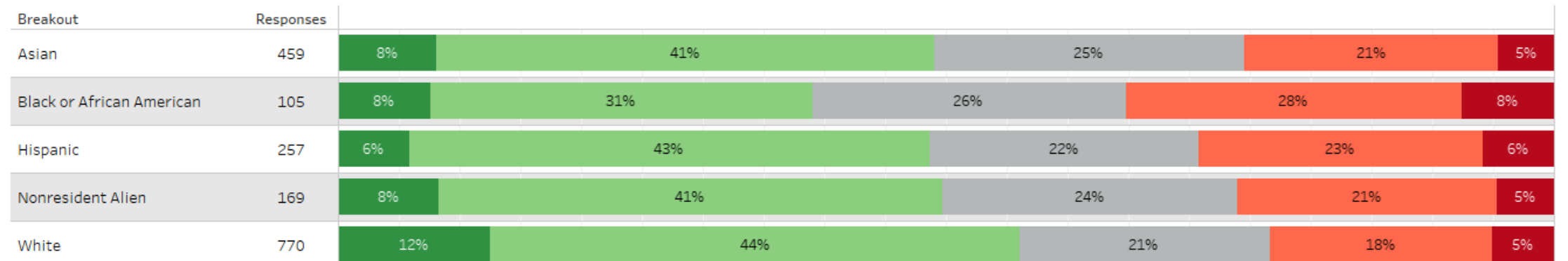
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# Overall, most students agreed they have school-life balance, but there were differences by racial/ethnic groups

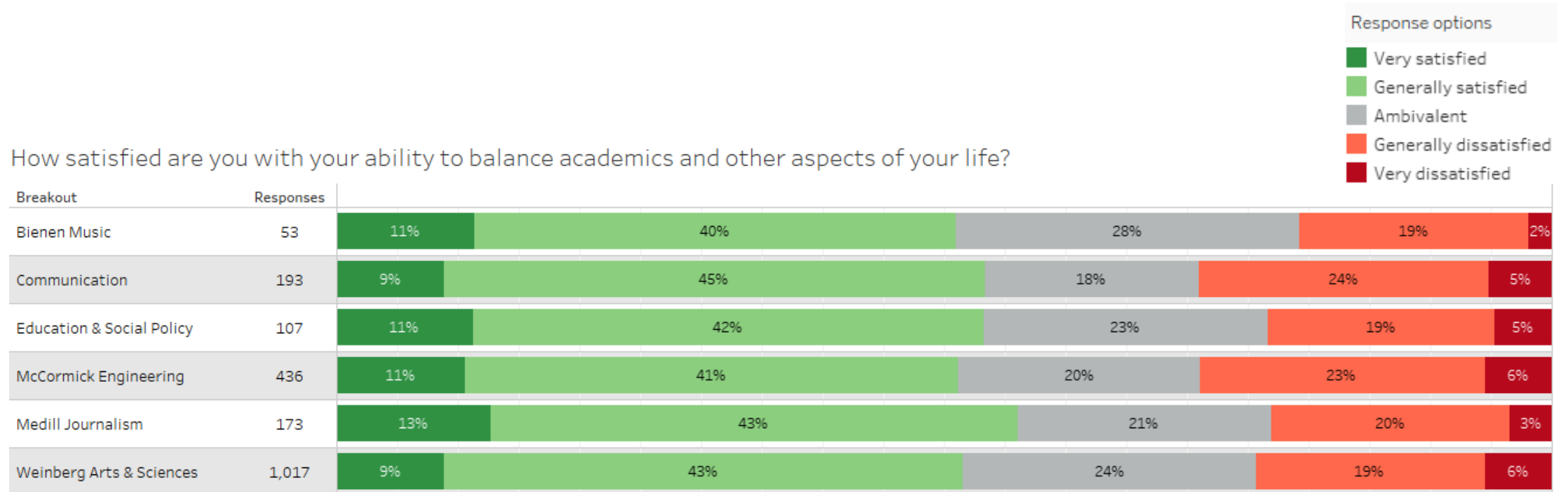


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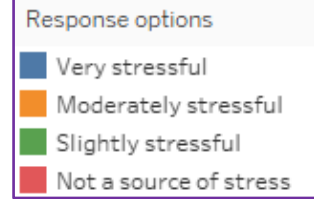


# School-life balance was fairly consistent across schools

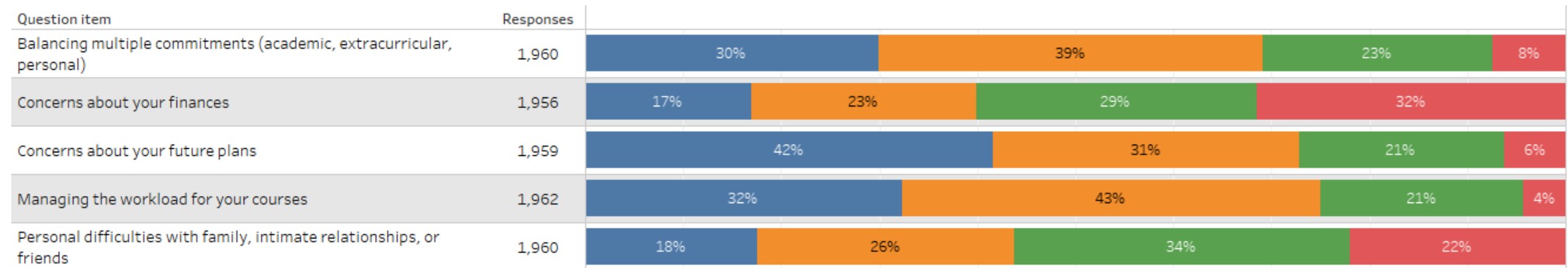
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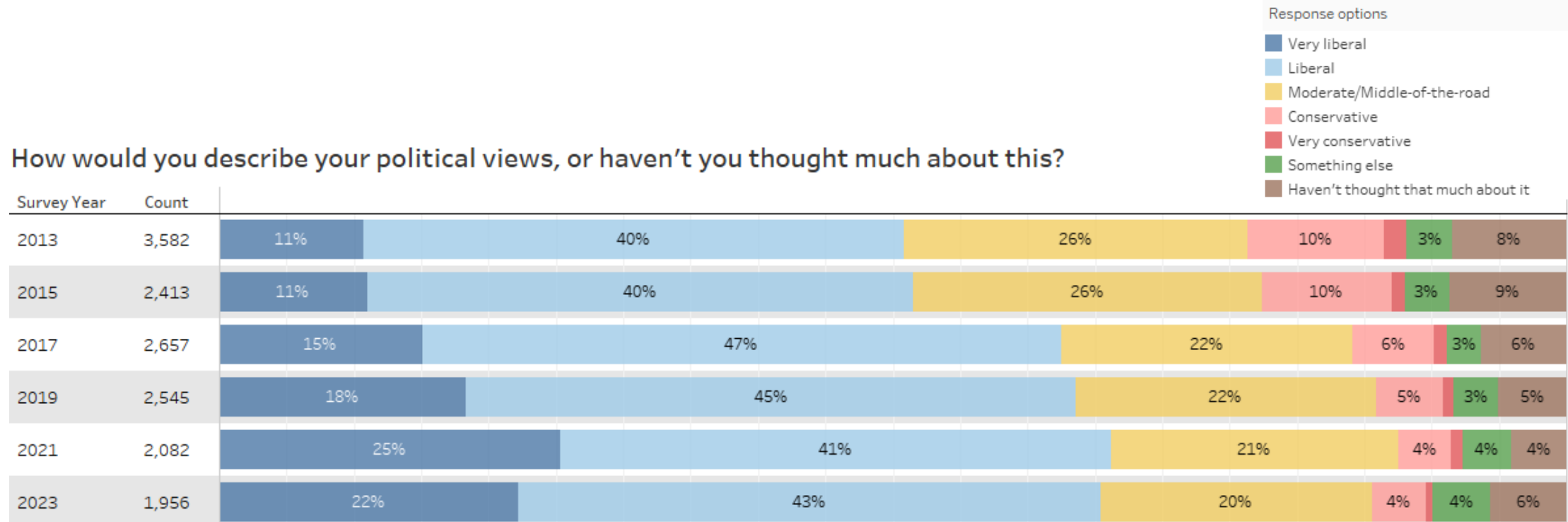
# Concerns about future plans and managing course workload were the largest sources of stress for students



Below are potential sources of stress that you may experience as a student. Please indicate how each has affected you during the current academic year.



# Northwestern students have progressively held more liberal political views over the last decade; though the trend reversed from 2021 to 2023



# Students reported high levels of engagement with faculty

Response options

Agree strongly

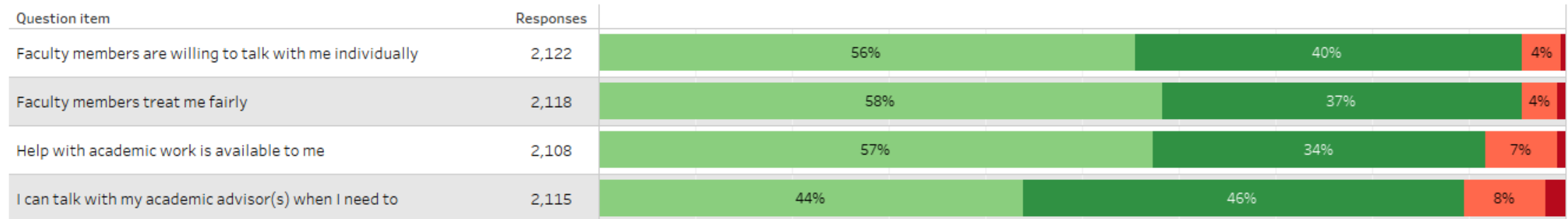
Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

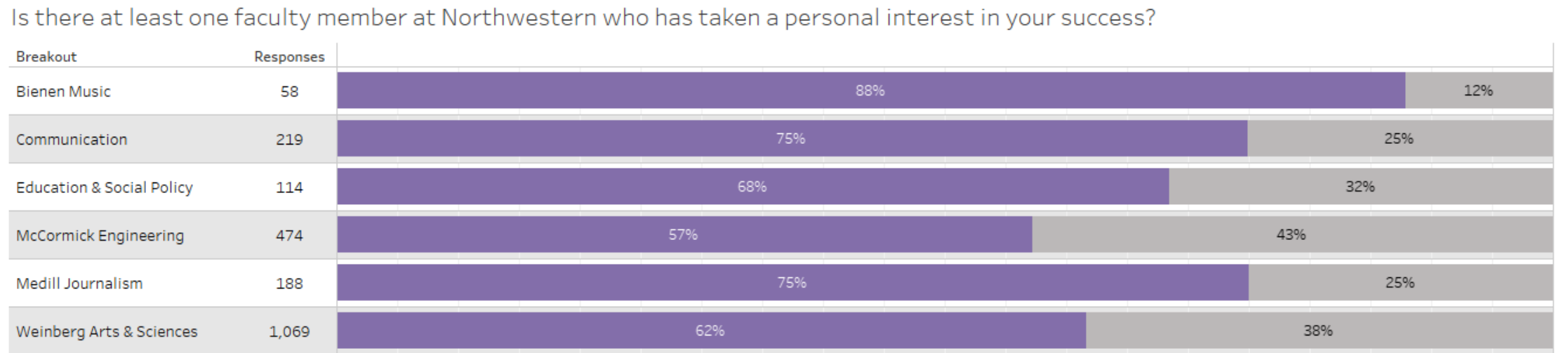
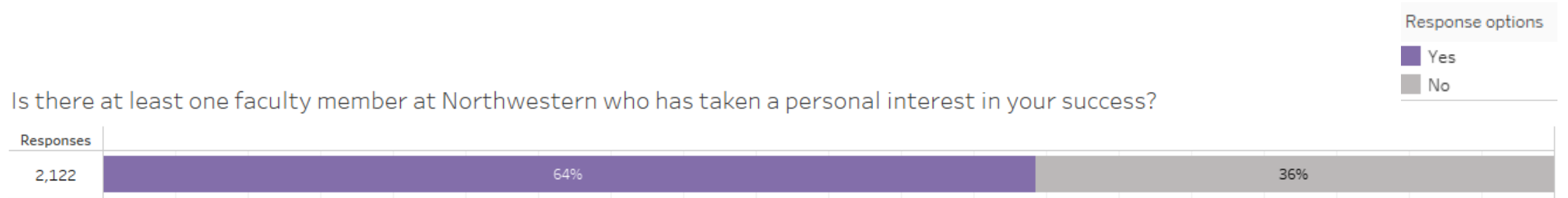
Disagree

Disagree strongly

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?



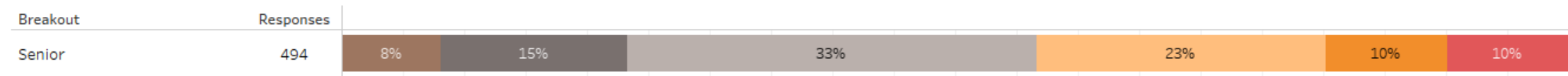
# Most students in every school said a faculty member had taken an interest in their success



# Most seniors knew multiple faculty members well enough to provide a letter of recommendation

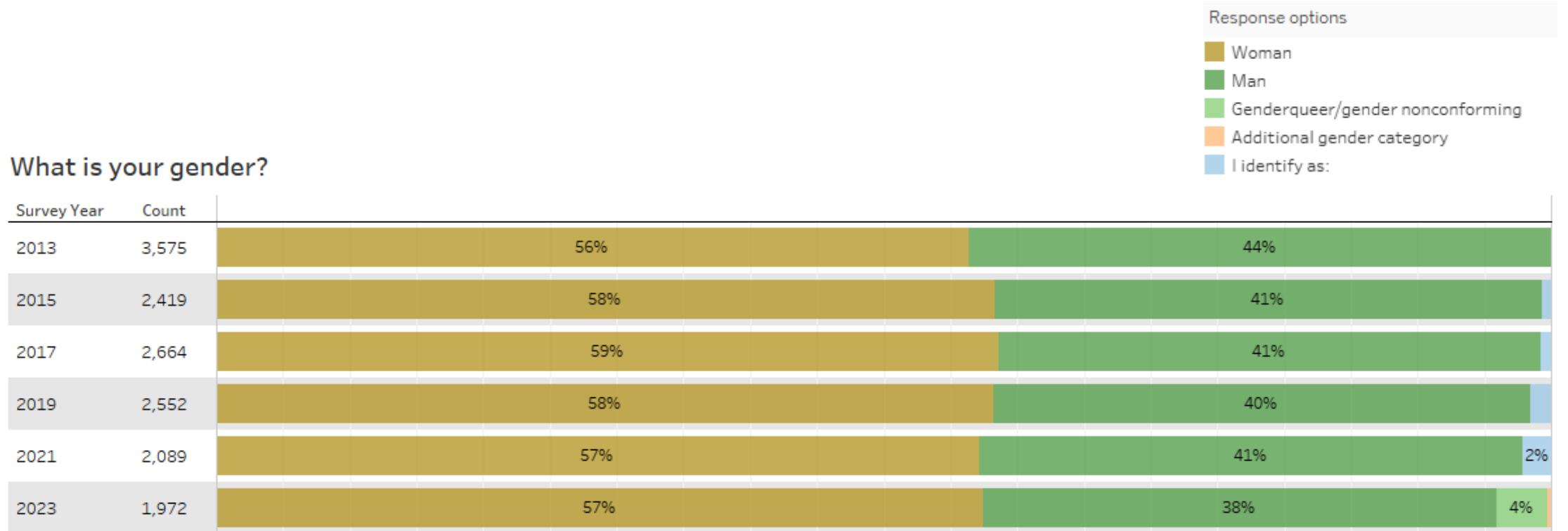


How many faculty members know you well enough to provide a letter of recommendation in support of an application for a job, internship, fellowship, or advanced degree work?



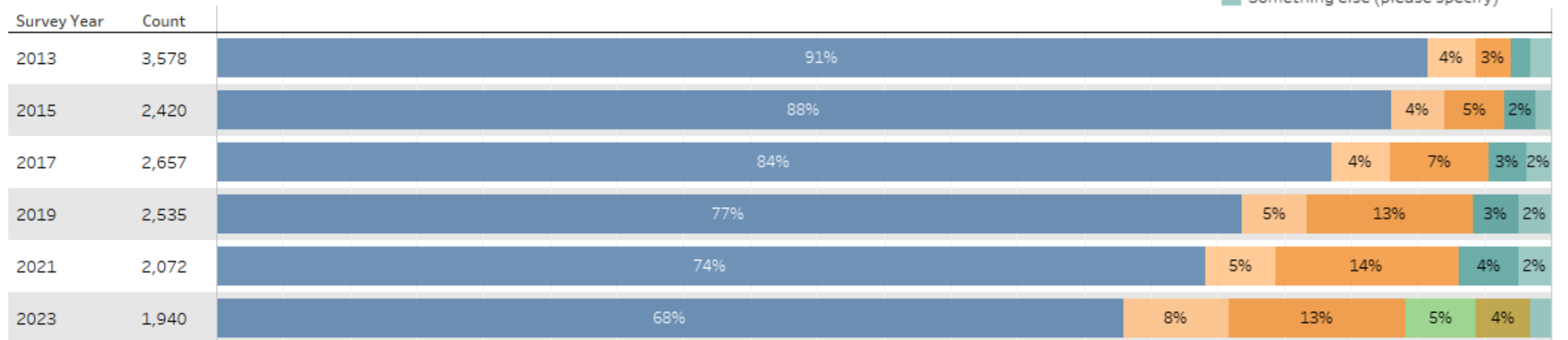


# The share of students identifying as a gender other than male or female is growing



# The diversity of the sexual orientation of students continues to grow

## What is your sexual orientation?



# Most students in each class year, except first-year, had a paying job

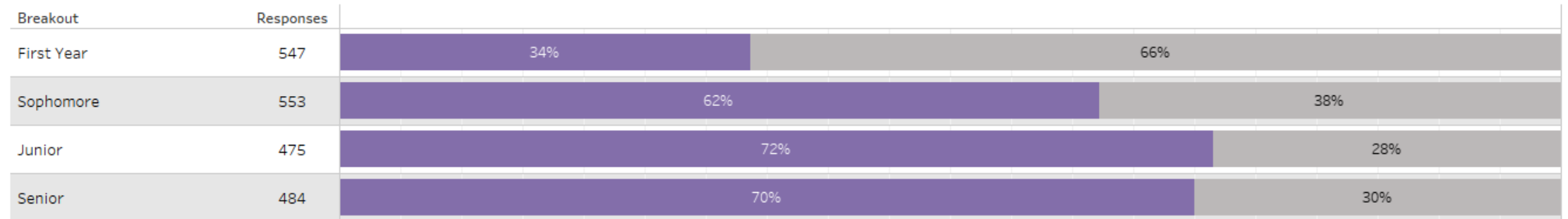
Response options

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- No

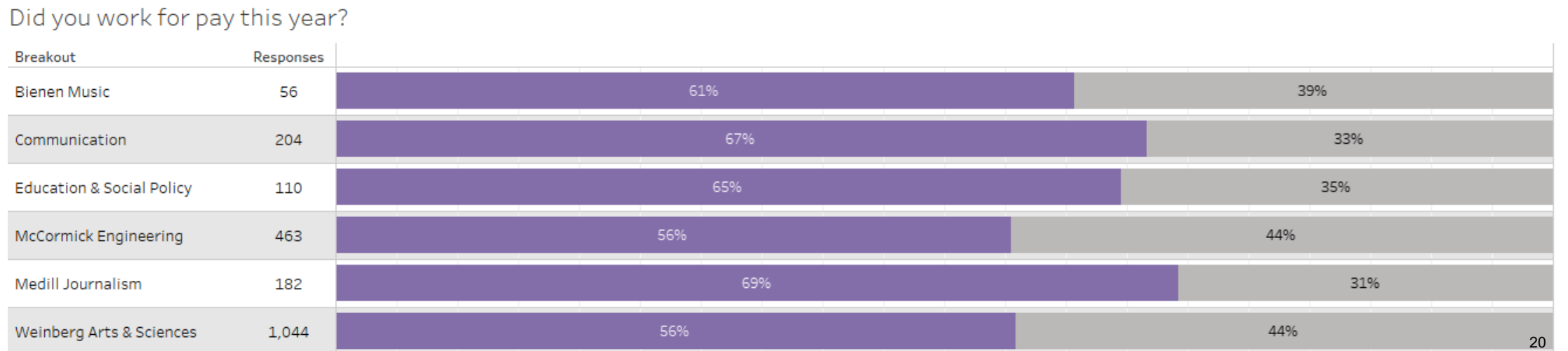
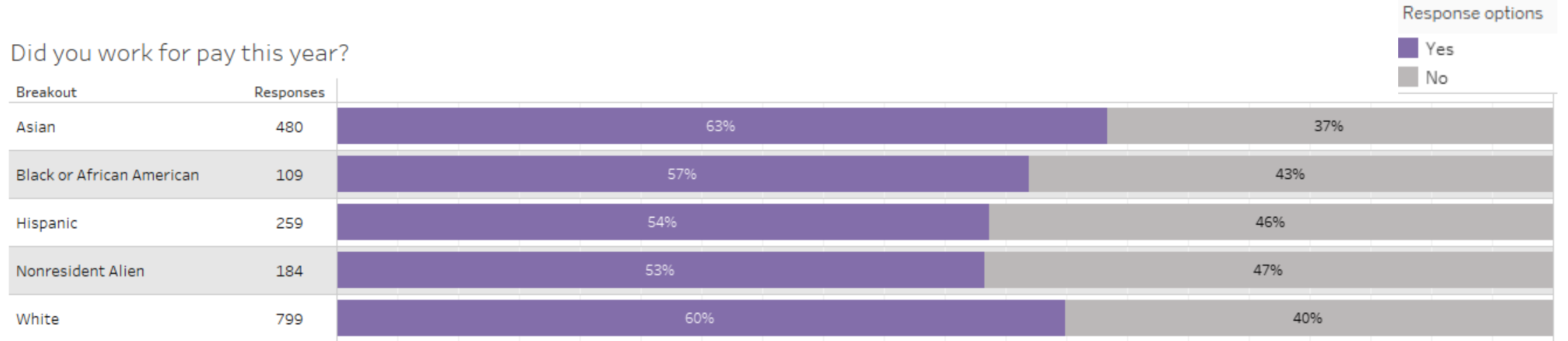
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There are variations across race/ethnicity and school in the share of students who had a paying job, but most students in every sub-group reported having a paying job



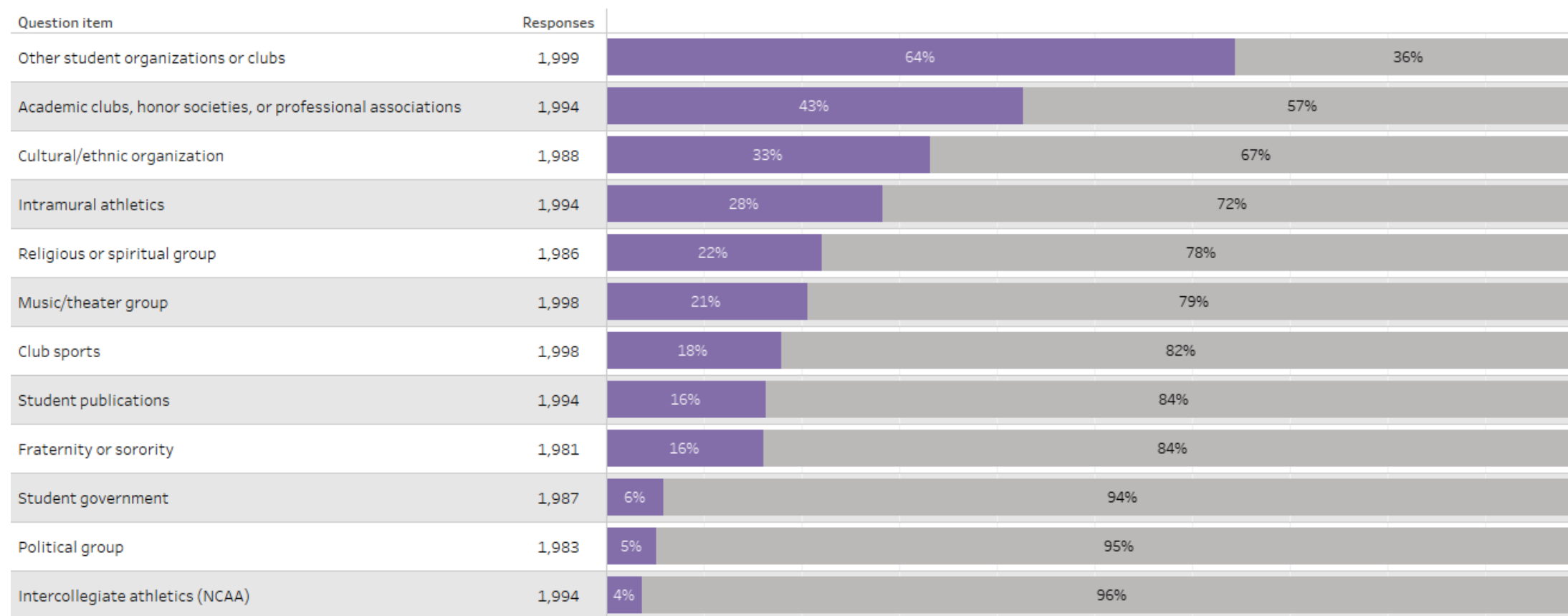
# Student organizations and academic groups were the most popular extracurricular activities

Response options

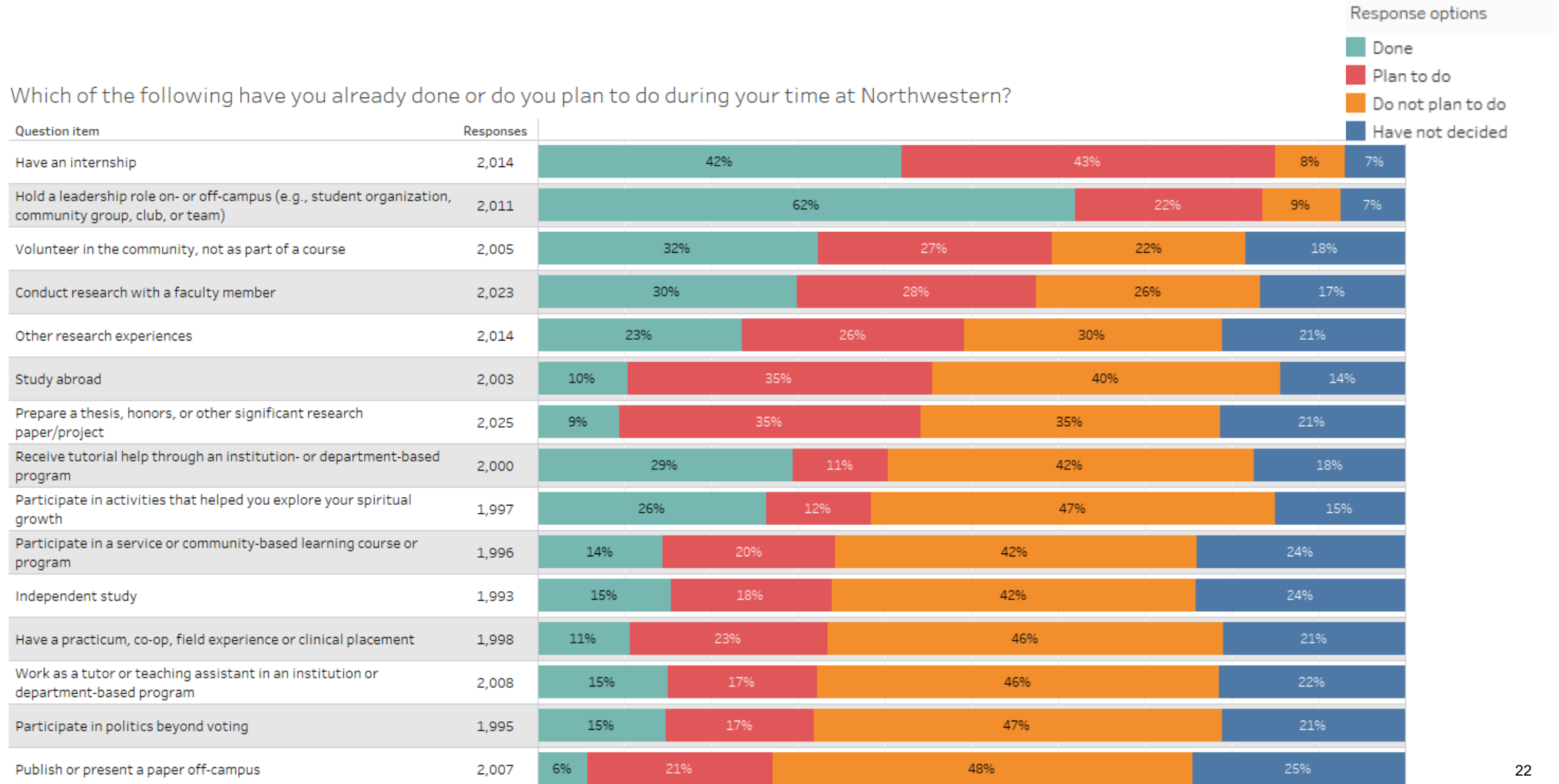
Yes

No

During the current academic year, have you participated (as more than a spectator) in any of the following extracurricular activities?



# Internships and leadership roles were the most popular activities for students



## Follow up

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