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2021 WORK FROM HOME  
MEMBER POLL

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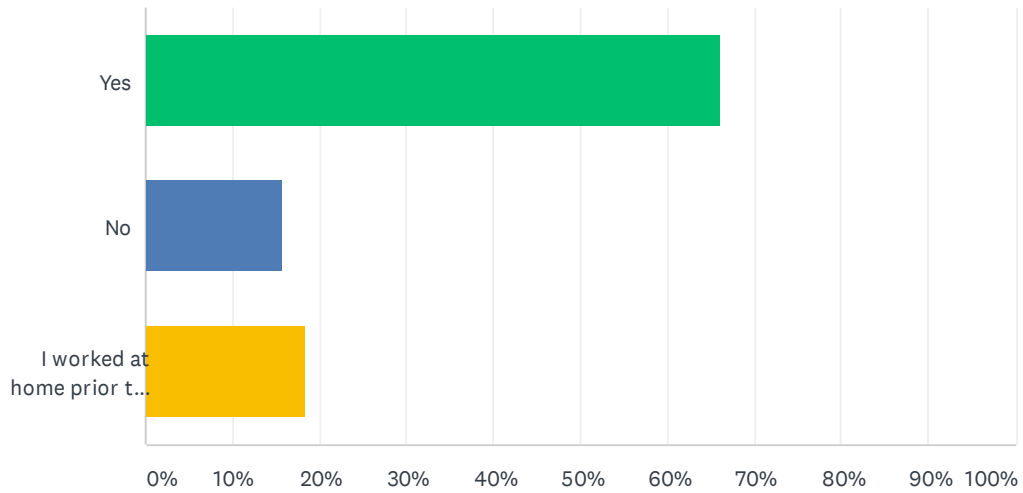
In February, the Real Estate Institute of BC launched a poll to better understand how our members' working situation had changed since the start of the 2020 pandemic. We wanted to find out what percentage of our members have begun working from home during this time and how this change has impacted their work, habits, and general wellbeing. The poll contained 12 questions, and had a fantastic response rate of 39%.

Below, you will find all the responses to our poll. We hope these responses give you a glimpse into how REIBC members have adapted to this difficult time and what they see for the future ahead.

Thank you to all that participated. It is greatly appreciated and we look forward to hearing from you again in the future.

## Q1 During the pandemic, are you working from home?

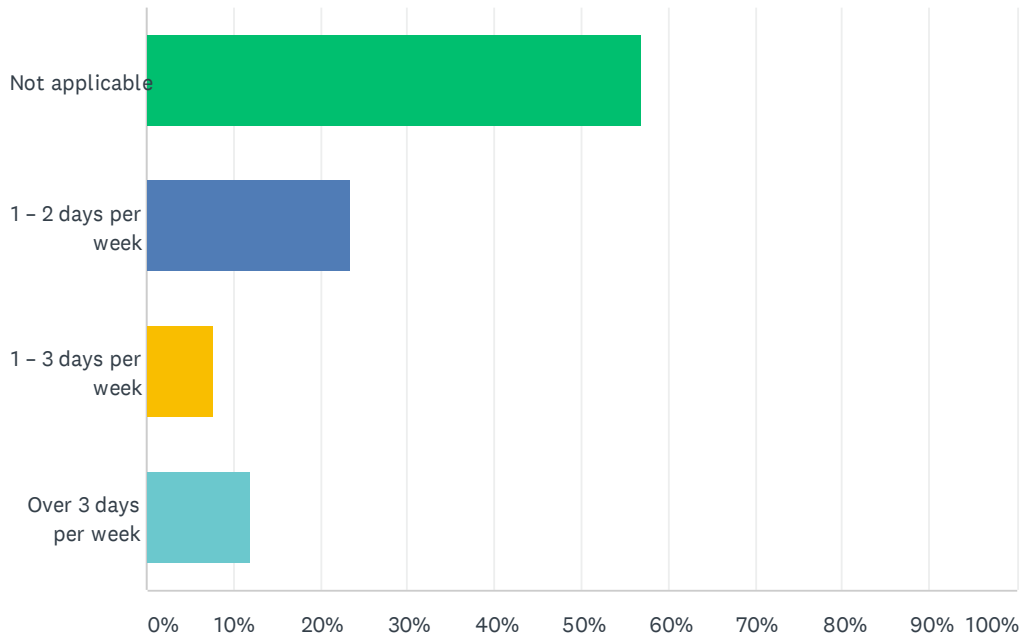
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	66.02%	169
No	15.63%	40
I worked at home prior to the pandemic	18.36%	47
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>256</b>

## Q2 If you were working at home and are now back at the office, is it for:

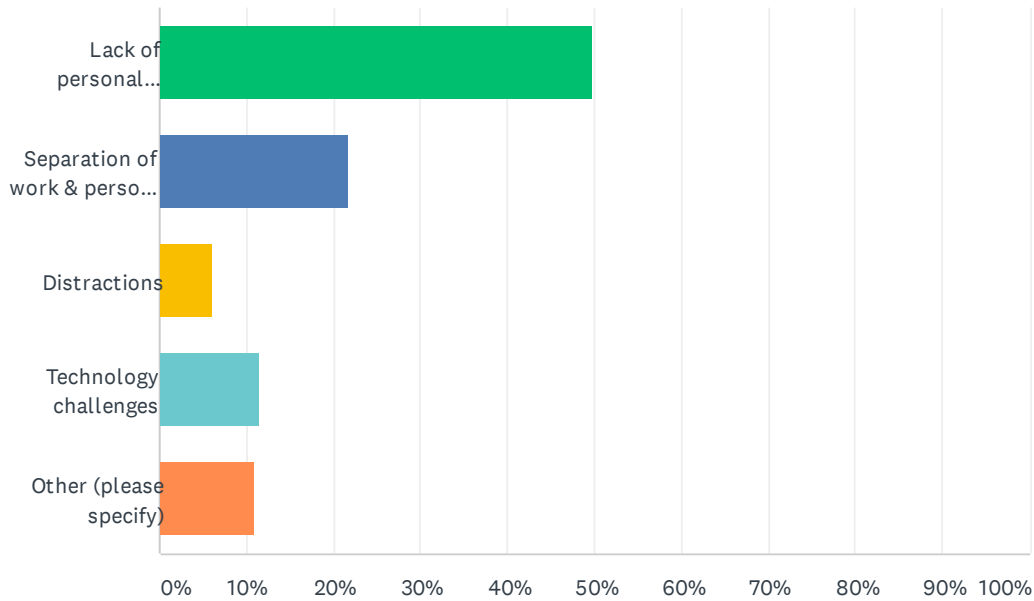
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Not applicable	56.89%	95
1 - 2 days per week	23.35%	39
1 - 3 days per week	7.78%	13
Over 3 days per week	11.98%	20
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>167</b>

### Q3 What is your biggest challenge working from home?

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Lack of personal connection with colleagues	49.70%	82
Separation of work & personal life	21.82%	36
Distractions	6.06%	10
Technology challenges	11.52%	19
Other (please specify)	10.91%	18
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>165</b>

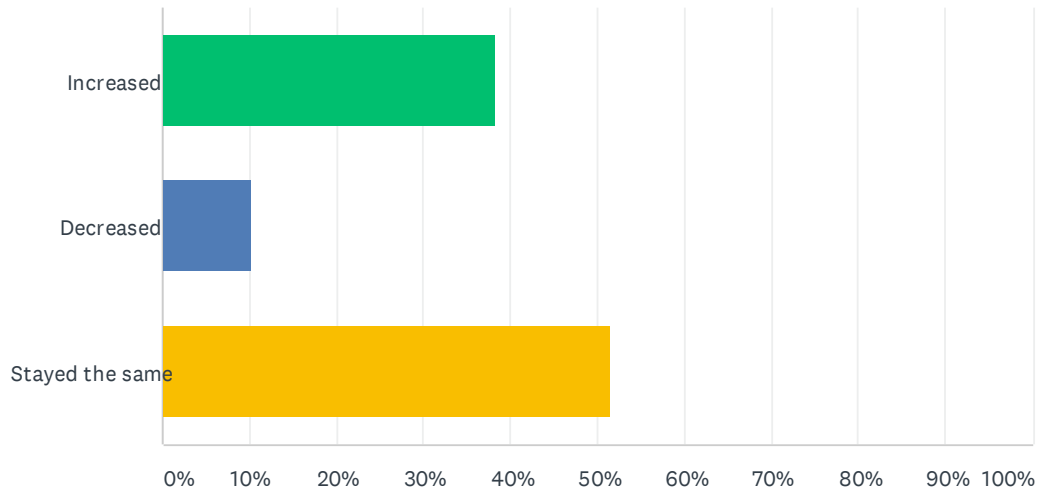
#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Works well for me! :)	3/8/2021 9:56 AM
2	I have no challenges working from home	2/20/2021 7:17 PM
3	Lack of exercise and lack of personal connection w/colleagues.	2/18/2021 11:34 PM
4	dynamic collaboration is tough in a virtual environment	2/18/2021 10:56 AM
5	no access to a printer	2/18/2021 10:38 AM
6	I have no challenges at home. It is wonderful.....	2/18/2021 10:30 AM
7	Access to hard copy files and plans	2/17/2021 9:45 PM
8	I have zero challenges with WFH	2/17/2021 3:05 PM
9	actually less distraction - miss the gym/social aspect	2/17/2021 1:42 PM
10	no issues to report	2/17/2021 1:14 PM
11	Maintaining two places of work is inefficient.	2/17/2021 11:42 AM
12	No significant difference	2/17/2021 11:36 AM

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13	none	2/17/2021 11:28 AM
14	NO PRINTER	2/17/2021 11:18 AM
15	n/a	2/17/2021 11:11 AM
16	All of the above!	2/17/2021 11:09 AM
17	Not proper set up with desk, printer, scanner, etc	2/17/2021 11:06 AM
18	Connection to customers	2/17/2021 11:06 AM

## Q4 While working at home, do you feel your productivity has...

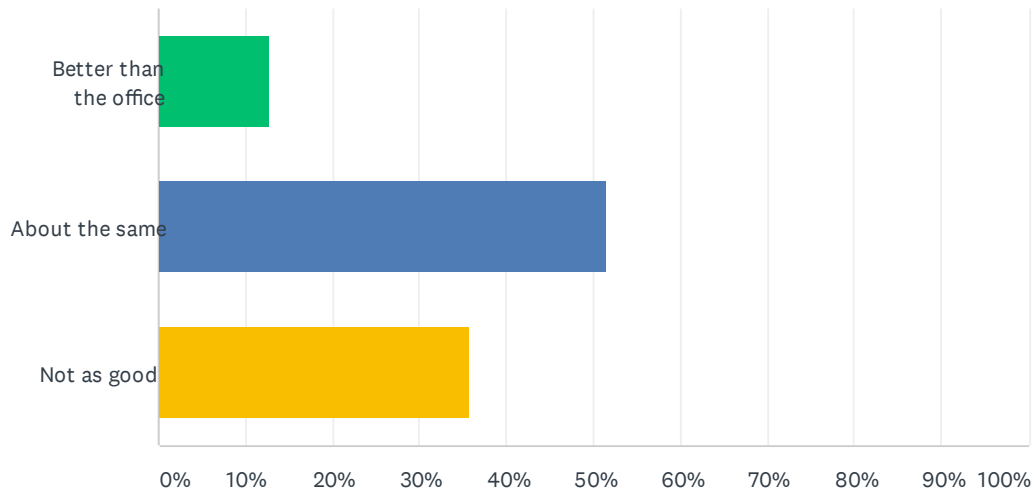
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Increased	38.18% 63
Decreased	10.30% 17
Stayed the same	51.52% 85
TOTAL	165

## Q5 How would you describe your workspace tools compared to working at the office?

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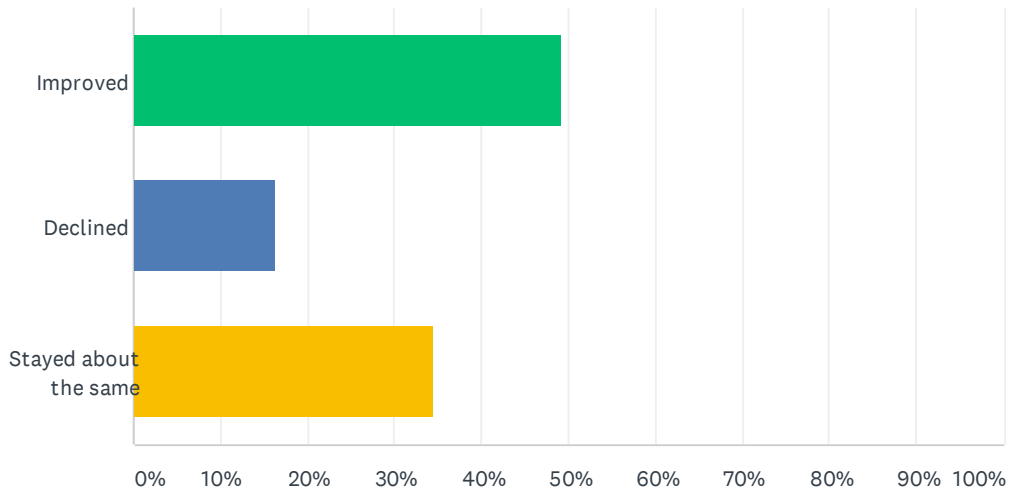


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Better than the office	12.73%	21
About the same	51.52%	85
Not as good	35.76%	59
TOTAL		165



## Q6 While working at home has your work/life balance

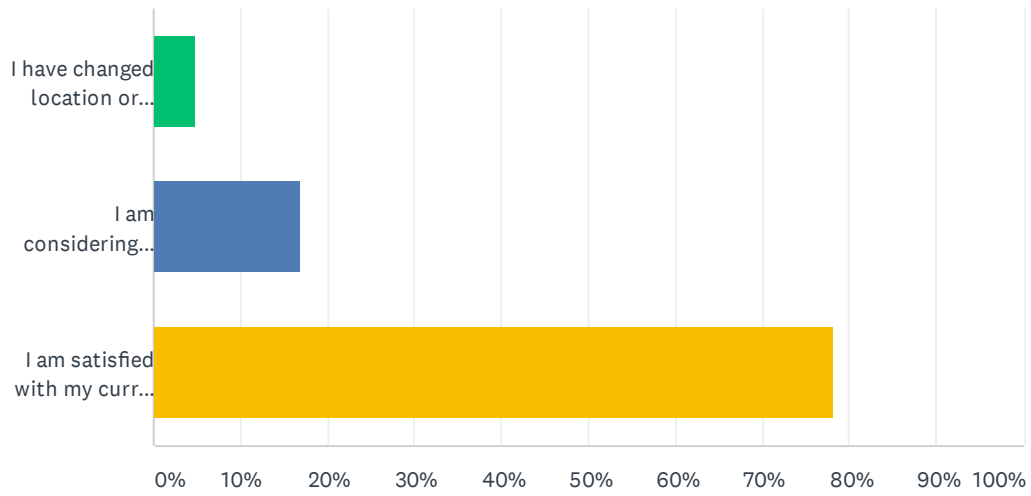
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Improved	49.09%	81
Declined	16.36%	27
Stayed about the same	34.55%	57
TOTAL		165

## Q7 Have you or are you considering changing the location or type of housing because of working from home?

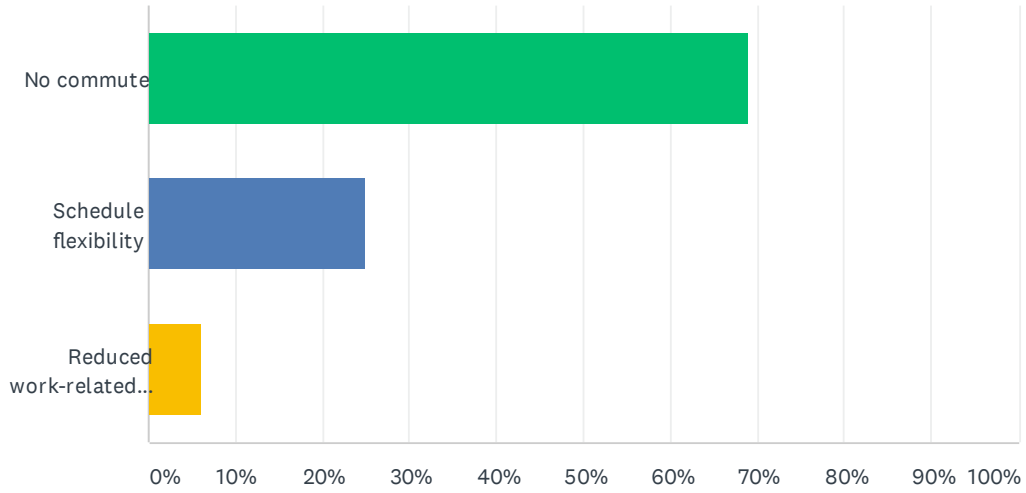
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I have changed location or type of home	4.85%	8
I am considering changing	16.97%	28
I am satisfied with my current housing situation	78.18%	129
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>165</b>

## Q8 What do you see as the single most important advantage about working from home?

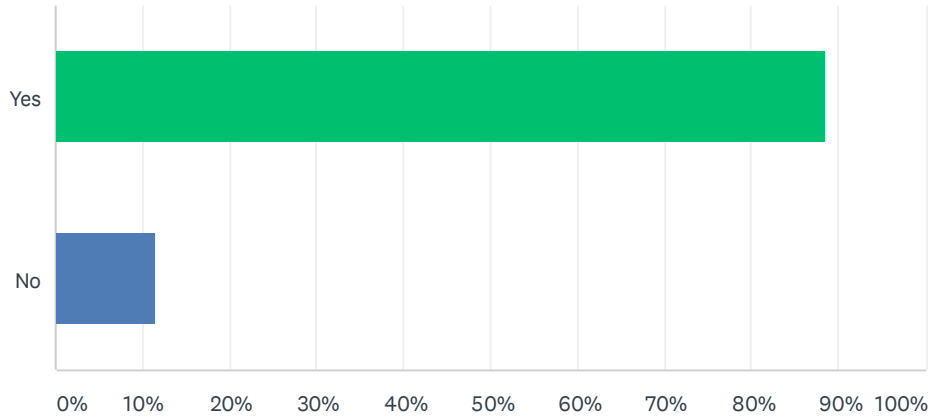
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
No commute	69.09%	114
Schedule flexibility	24.85%	41
Reduced work-related expenses	6.06%	10
TOTAL		165

## Q9 Do you enjoy working from home?

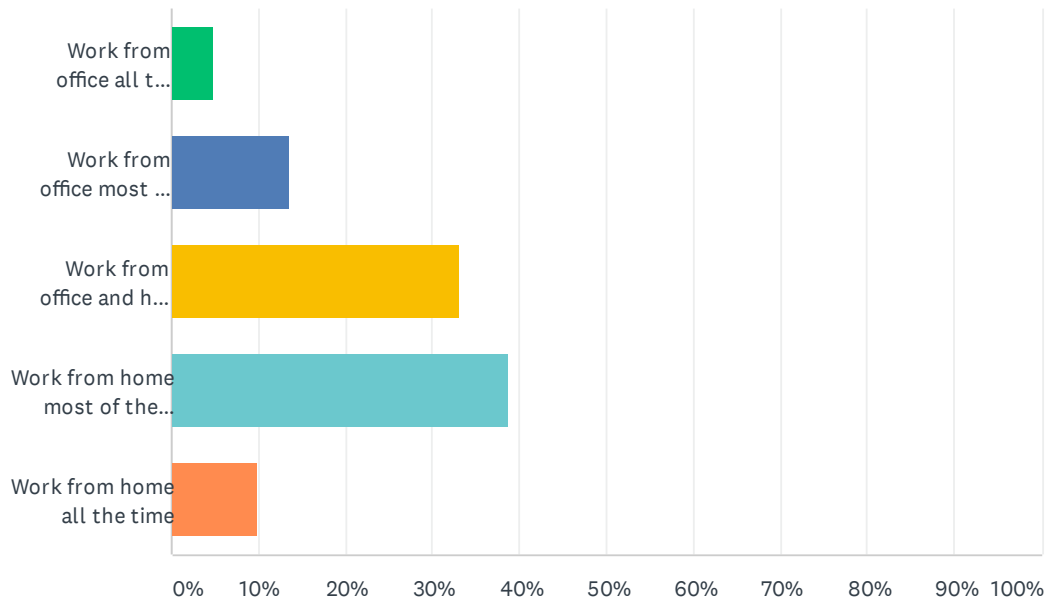
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	88.48%	146
No	11.52%	19
TOTAL		165

## Q10 When possible and given the choice will you return to work from the office or continue to work from home?

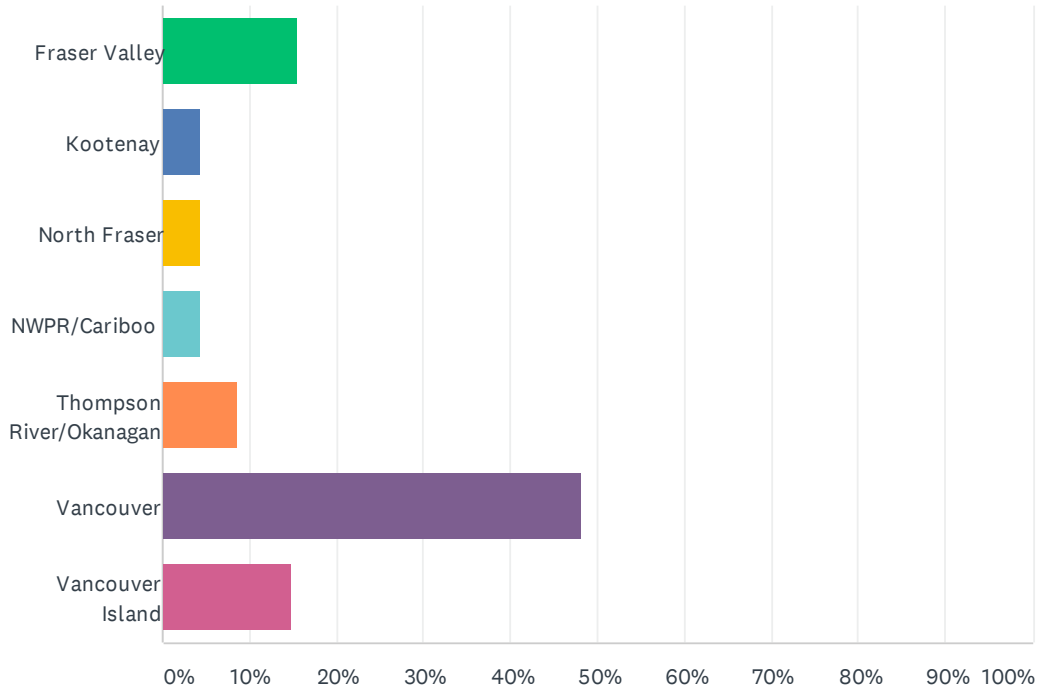
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Work from office all the time	4.91%	8
Work from office most of the time	13.50%	22
Work from office and home equally	33.13%	54
Work from home most of the time	38.65%	63
Work from home all the time	9.82%	16
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>163</b>

## Q11 What district are you in?

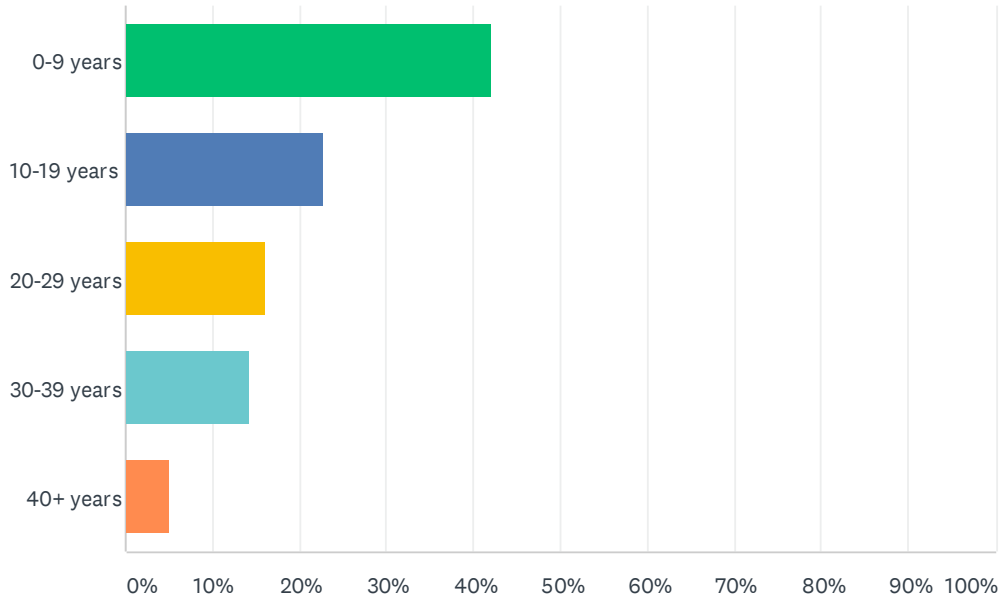
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Fraser Valley	15.43% 25
Kootenay	4.32% 7
North Fraser	4.32% 7
NWPR/Cariboo	4.32% 7
Thompson River/Okanagan	8.64% 14
Vancouver	48.15% 78
Vancouver Island	14.81% 24
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>162</b>

## Q12 How long have you been a member?

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
0-9 years	41.98%	68
10-19 years	22.84%	37
20-29 years	16.05%	26
30-39 years	14.20%	23
40+ years	4.94%	8
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>162</b>