

# Monitoring of the Effects of the Economic Deterioration on Refugee Households

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WAVE III–October 2020  
**Syrian Population**

*Preliminary Results*



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## OBJECTIVES

- **Monitoring changes at the household level over time** in key areas in the context of the deteriorating economic situation in Lebanon. The focus will be on the following areas:
  - **Livelihoods:** Loss of jobs, salary cuts, job retention and new job opportunities
  - **Economic vulnerability:** household debt
  - **Living conditions:** rental costs, mobility, eviction and eviction threats
  - **Access to health services:** demand and access to primary healthcare and hospitalization
  - **Food and Livelihood Coping Strategies:** Rates of key negative food and non-food related coping strategies
  - **COVID-19:** Access to hygiene items
- **Inform UNHCR/WFP and LCRP partner advocacy** in order to: (A) maintain or improve funding for affected refugees; an (B) advocate against the reallocation of funds away from refugee centred programming.
- Identify areas where households are most severely impacted by the economic crisis.
- This assessment is conducted on a quarterly basis and wave 3 covers July, August and September.

# SUMMARY OF THE METHODOLOGY

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- A nationally representative sample was extracted from the UNHCR database in Lebanon using a **simple random sampling approach**.
- Two nationally representative samples were extracted: **(1)Syrian refugees**, and **(2)Non-Syrian refugees**.
- Data collected through the call center via **Phone survey**.
- To account for non-response rate, 1,000 Syrian and 1,000 non-Syrian cases were sampled.
- NB: Please note that while comparison is usually made to VARON/VASYR, methodologies completely differ and as such comparisons should be approached with caution and not interpreted to the dot.

## **RESULT:**

- 60% response rate for Syrians.
- 588 interviews completed.

# DEMOGRAPHICS

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## HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION

### Average household size

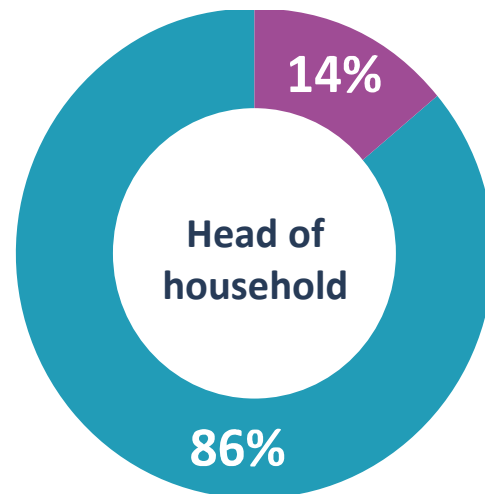
(4.7 in UNHCR DB)



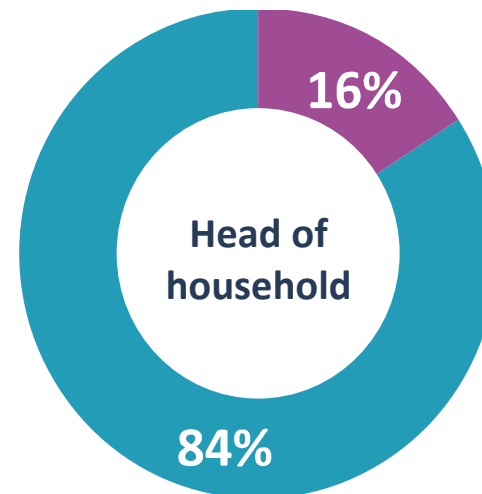
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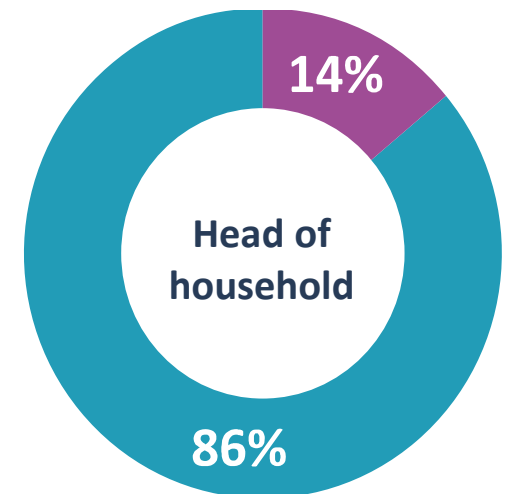
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Wave II



Wave III

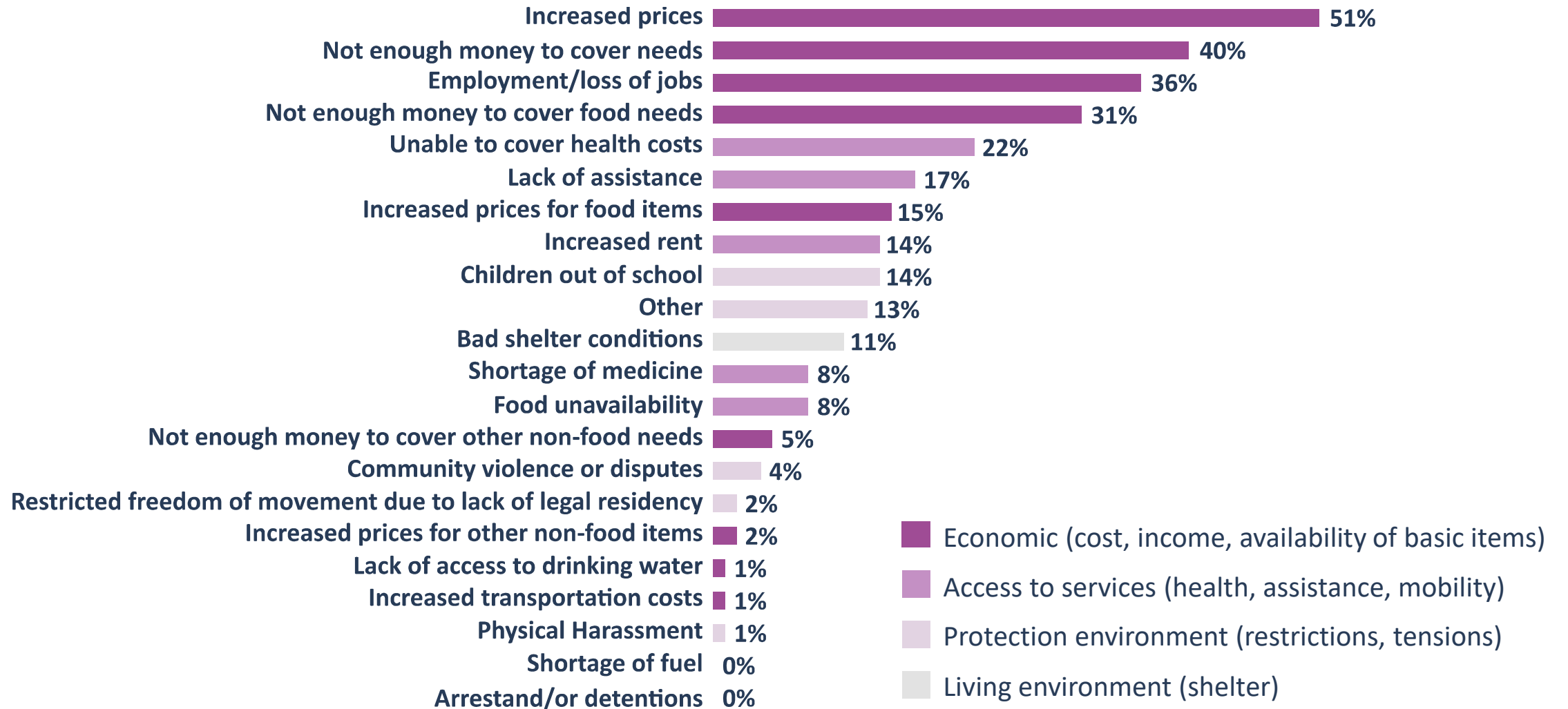


Female

Male

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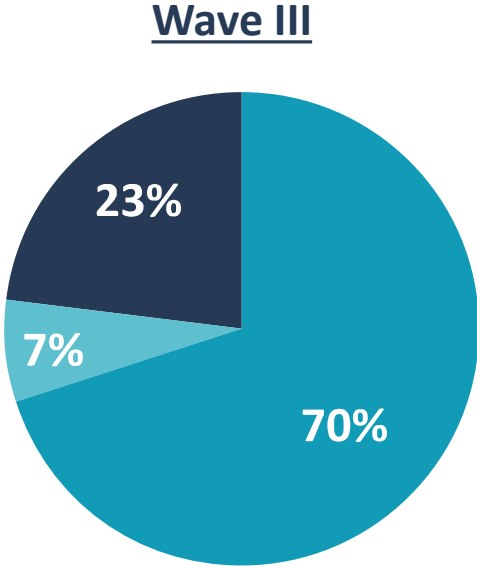
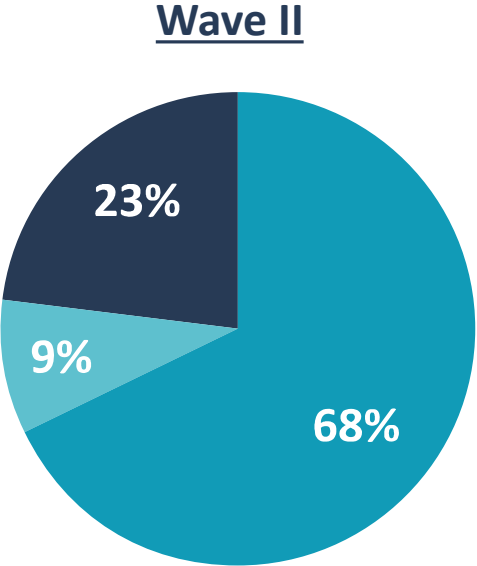
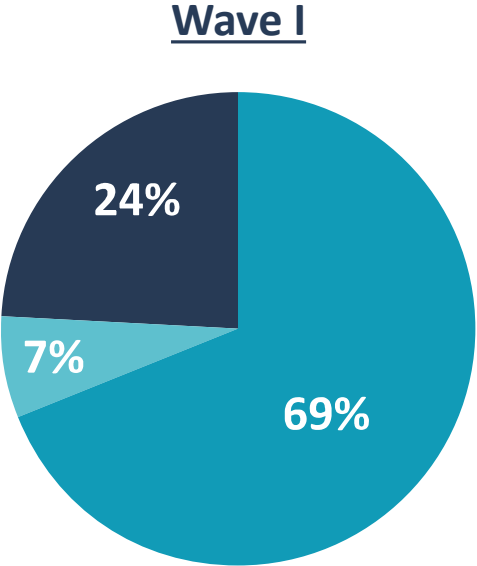
## MAIN PROBLEMS FACED REPORTED BY FAMILIES



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## SHELTER CATEGORIES



Residential

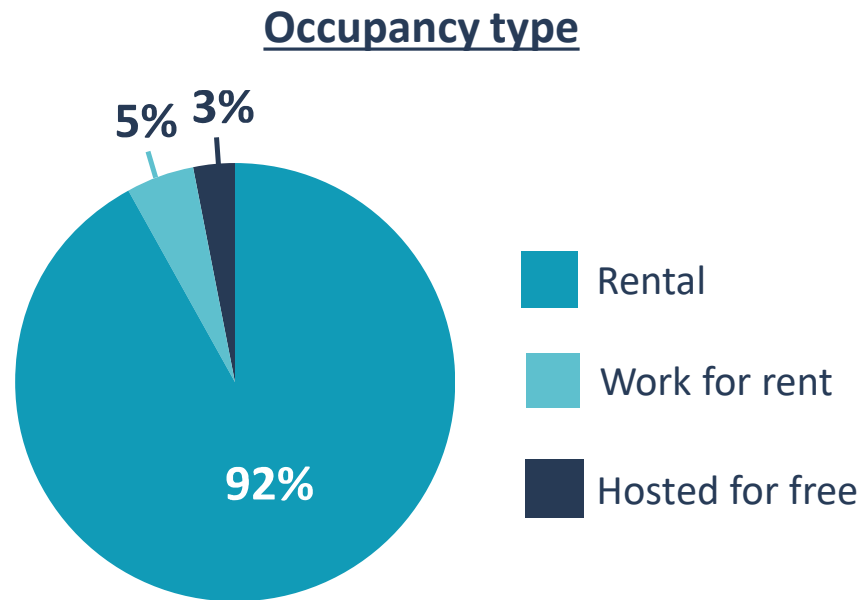
Non- Residential

Non-permanent

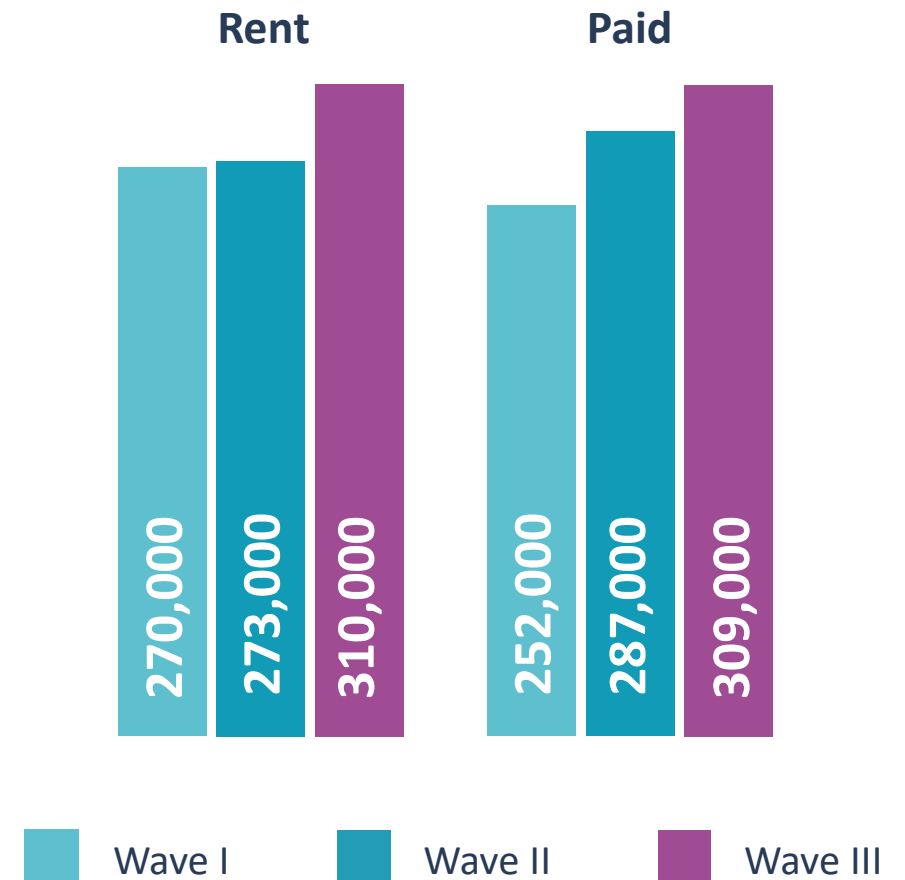


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## RENT



Average rent vs Amount paid  
*(per month, LBP)*



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## CHANGES IN RENT

**21%**

Of HH reported change in rent  
*(out of those renting)*



Average increase in rent

**123,000 LBP**

(Wave 2: 185,000LBP)

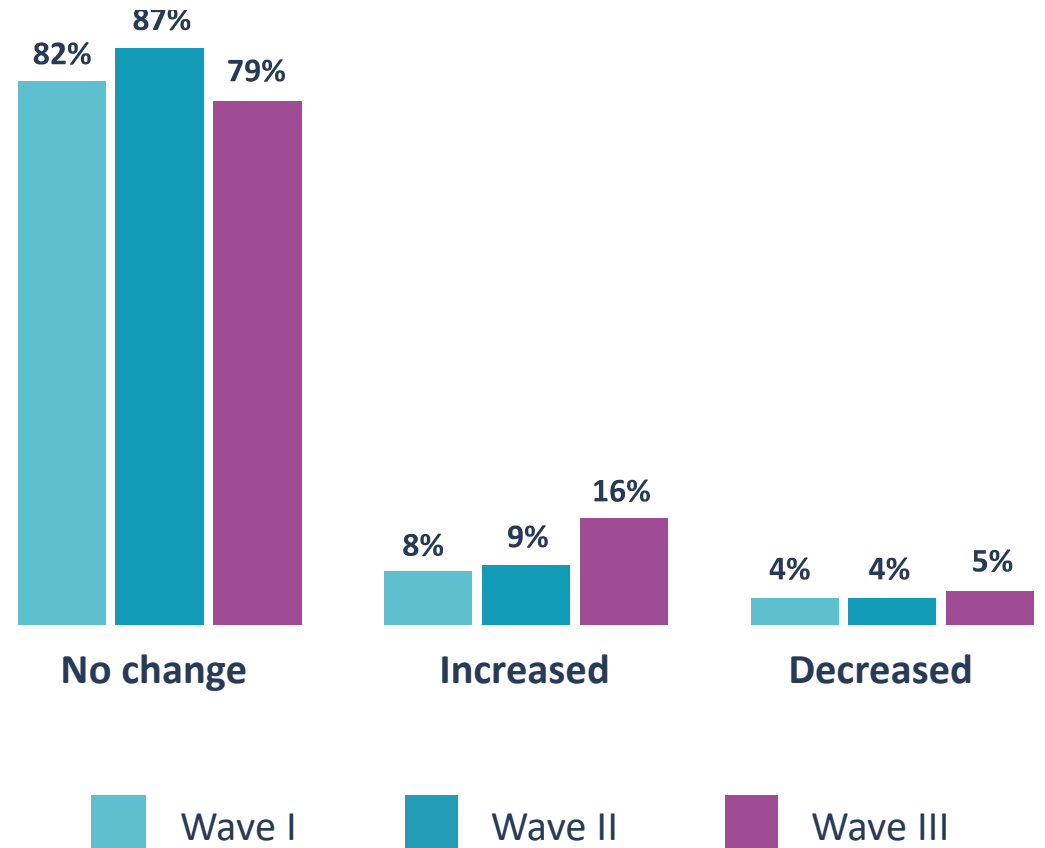


Average decrease in rent

**83,000 LBP**

(Wave 2: 82,500LBP)

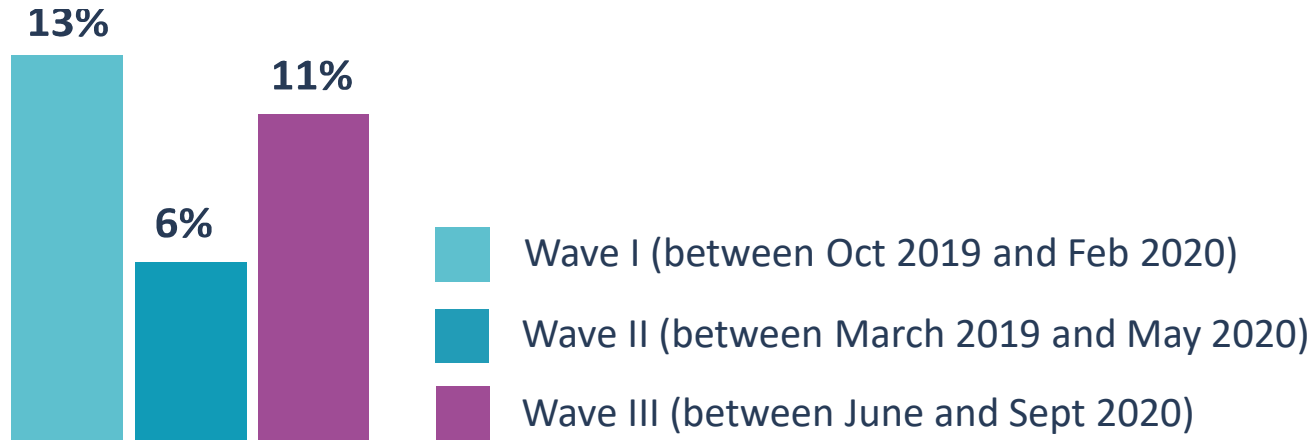
Change in rent direction  
*(out of those renting)*



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## MOBILITY

### Changed accommodation in the past three months



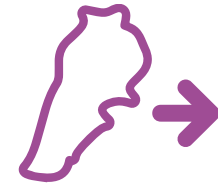
### Main reasons for moving

**26%**

**Eviction due to inability to pay rent**  
(Wave 2: 29%)

**23%**

**Rent is too expensive**  
(Wave 2: 26%)



### Planning to leave Lebanon

**5%**

**18%**  
Return to country  
of origin

**82%**  
Leave to third  
country

# LIVELIHOODS & DEBT

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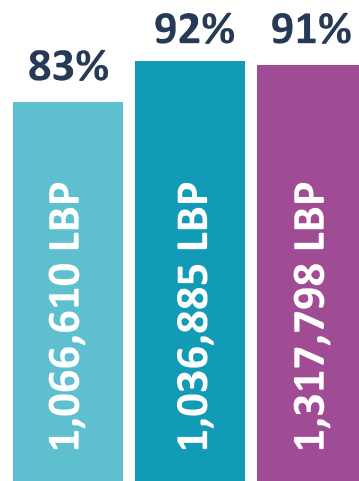
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## DEBT

Share of households in debt

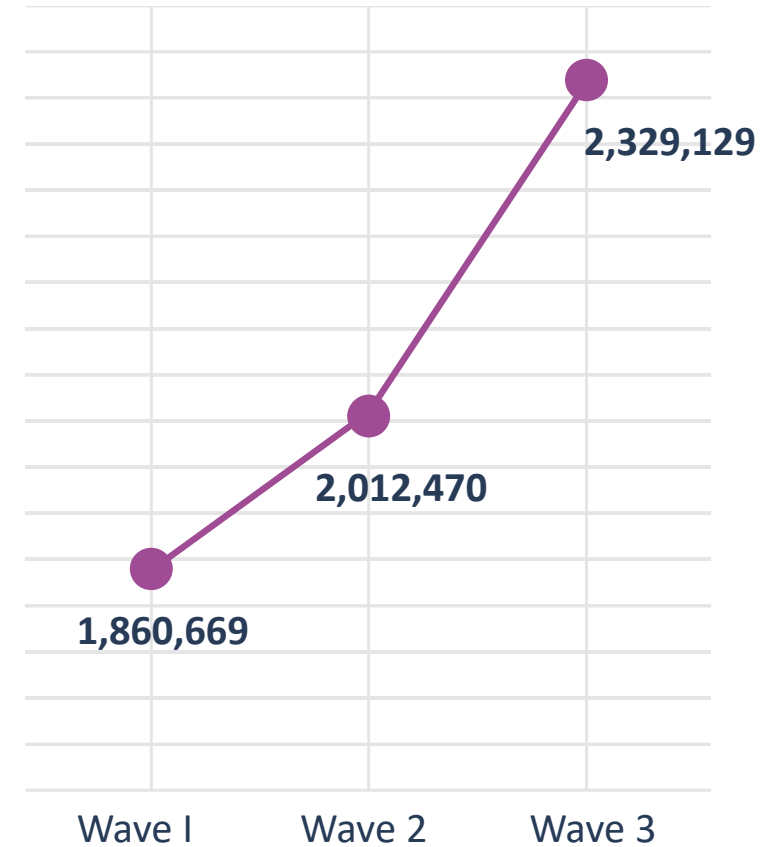


Share of households with newly incurred debt



Wave I    Wave II    Wave III

Increase in total debt (in LBP)



# LIVELIHOODS & DEBT

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### Households who have no working members (above 15)



### Persons above 15 on average per household



### Children under 15 who are working



### Members working on average among HH with working members

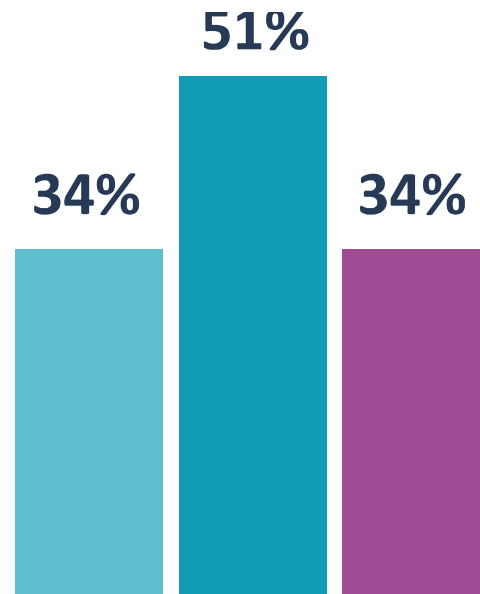


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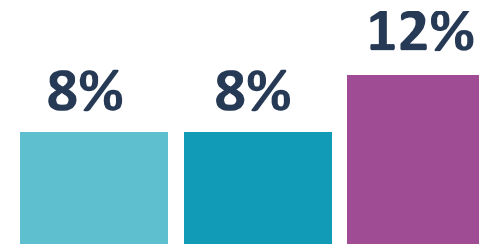
# LIVELIHOODS & DEBT

## LOSS/GAIN OF JOBS *in the past three months*

Reported at least one HH member  
(above 15) lost a job



Reported at least one HH member  
(above 15) gain a job



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COPING STRATEGIES

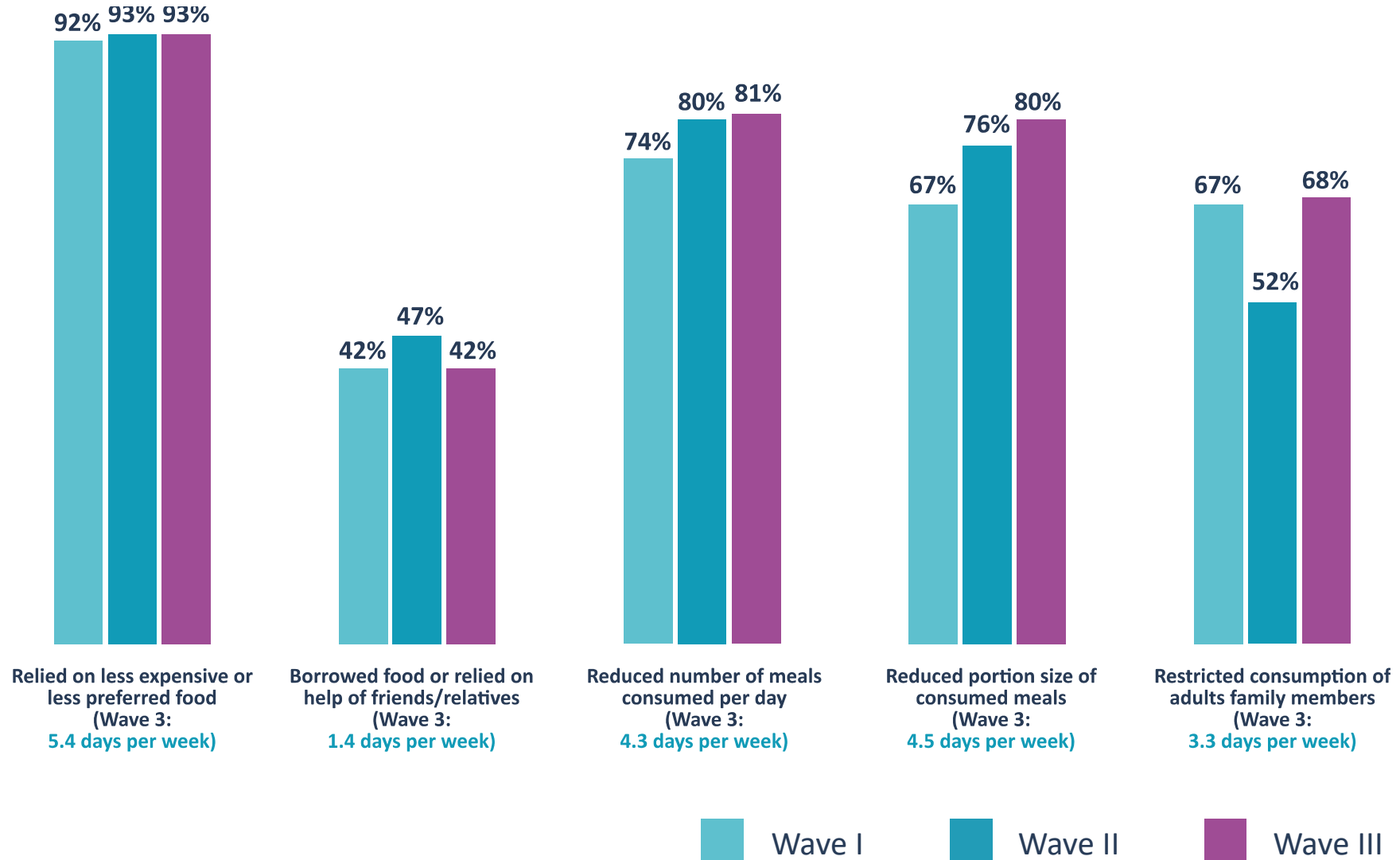
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FOOD & LIVELIHOODS



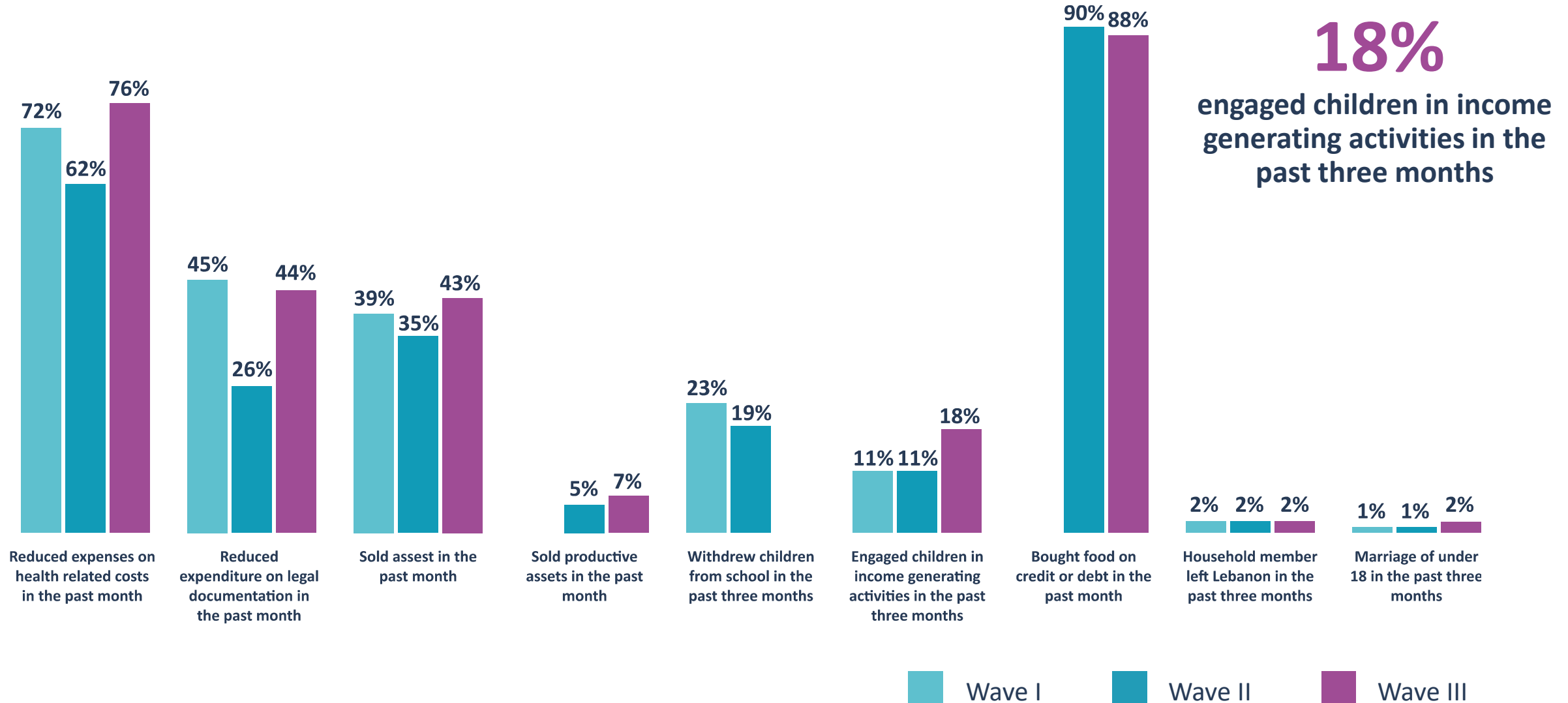
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## LIVELIHOOD



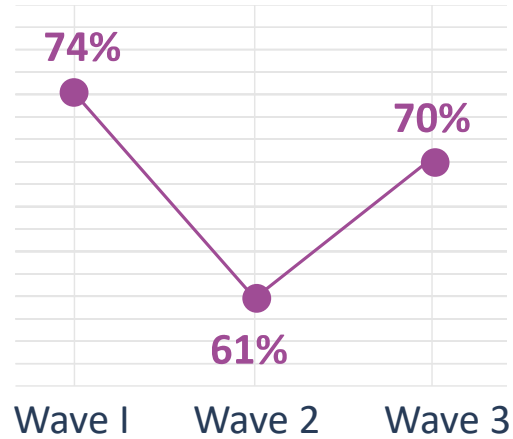
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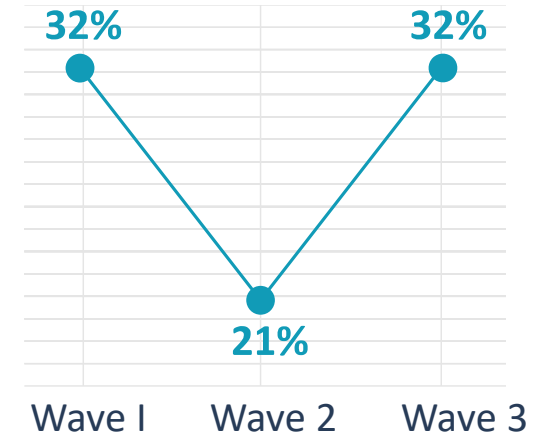
## Primary Health Care

*% HH Requiring Primary health care*

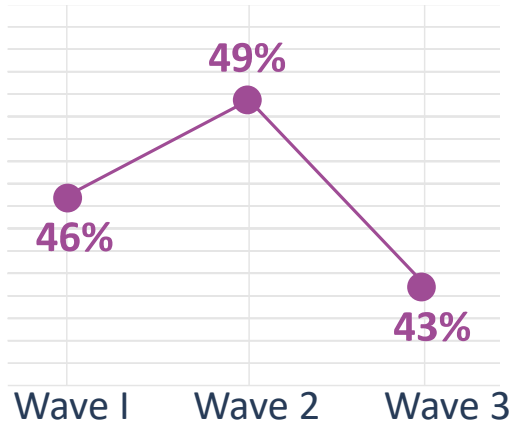


## Secondary Health Care

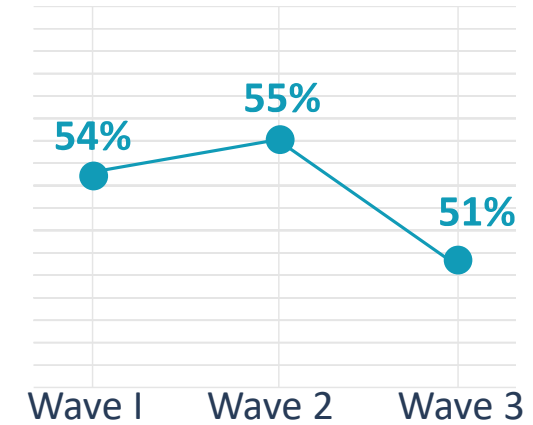
*% HH Requiring Secondary health care*



*% Able to Access (from those requiring)*



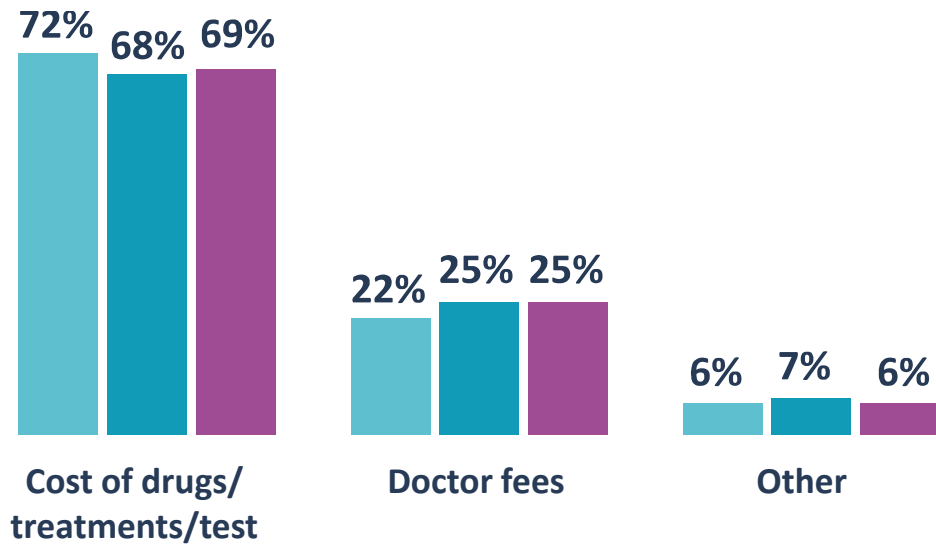
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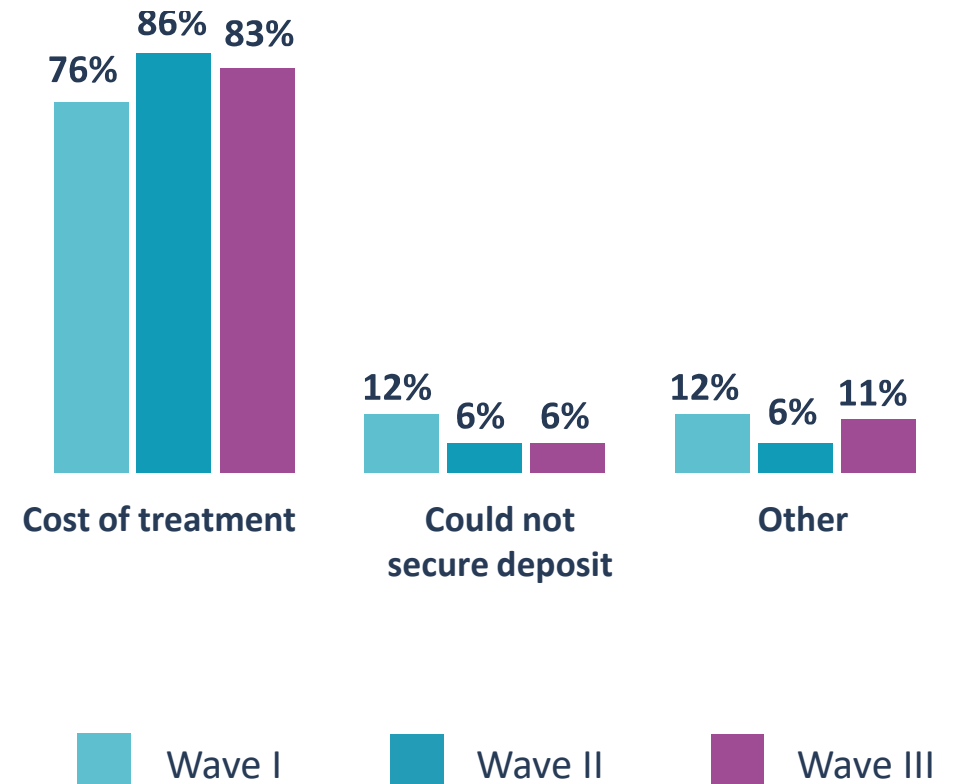
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## REASONS FOR NO ACCESS

### Primary Health Care



### Secondary Health Care



COVID-19

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**45%**



Reported that their family has enough gloves and/or masks



**19%**

Received a hygiene kit from a charity or organization

**90%**

Found the contents to be relevant to their needs