

Minnesota Student Parent Support Initiative 2013-2014 program and Demographic Data

**A presentation for the All Grantee Meeting
St. Cloud State University
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Mspsi participant demographics

2013-2014 Academic Year

Total Number of Participants Served

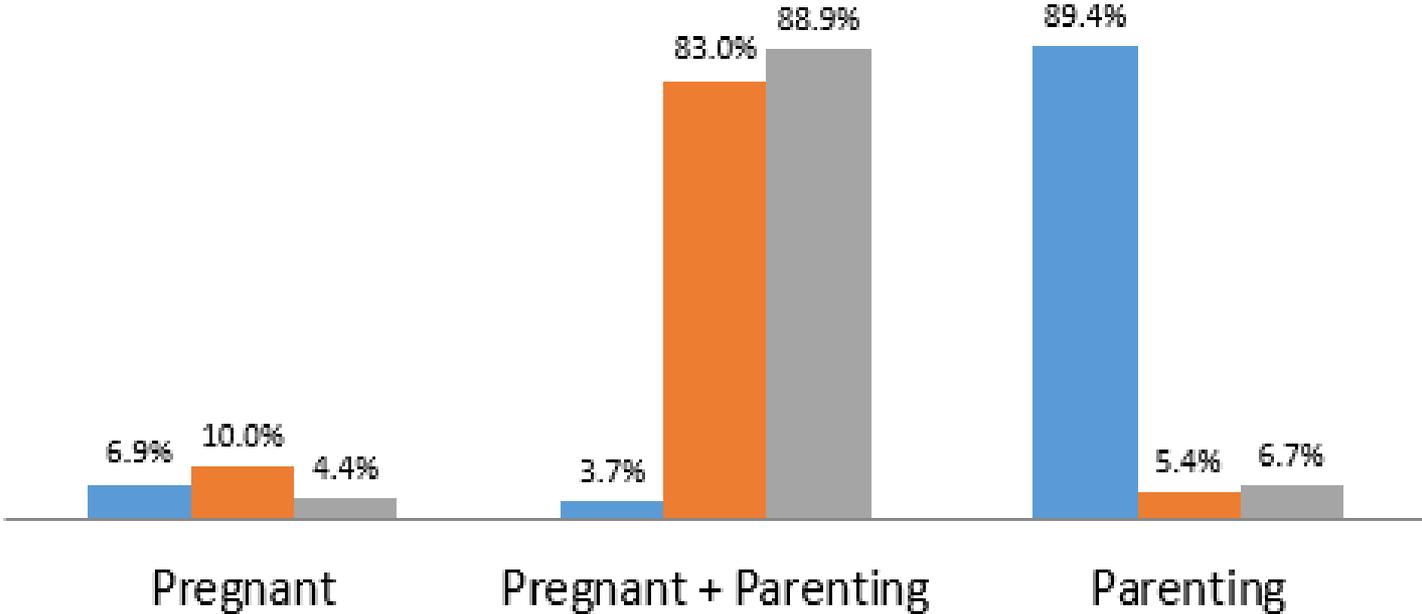
Academic Term	Total Number of Students Served	Number of Students Newly Enrolled During Term	Total Number of Children Served	Total Number of Non-Participant Family Members Served
Fall 2013	702	189	1178	NA
Spring 2014	823	166	1283	93
Summer 2014	438	45	73	41

Participant Enrollment by Pregnancy/Parenting Status

Source: Intake Form

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Participant Recruitment

Q: How did you find out about the Student Parent Program?

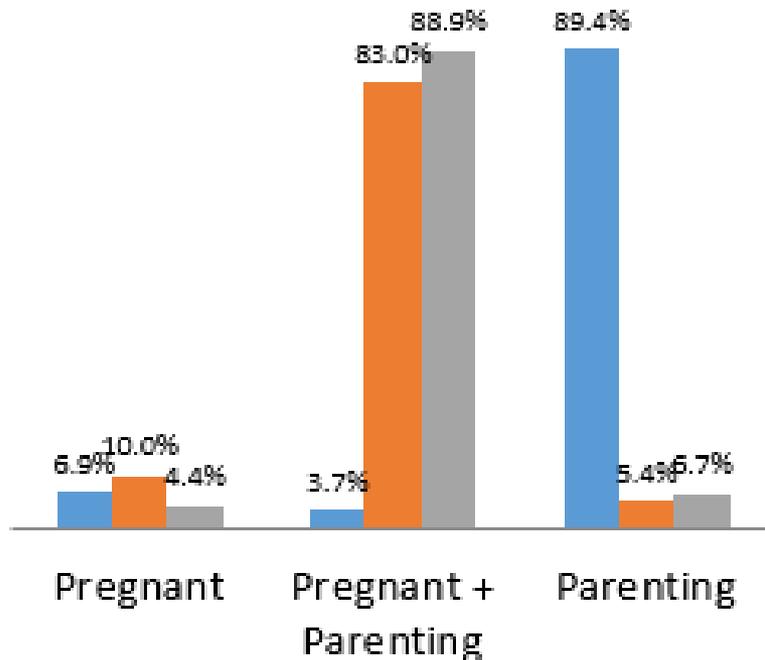
Top Three Sources (Participants may select all that apply)	Percent N=242
1. Professor or other staff member at my college or university	35.5%
2. A student at my college or university	24.8%
3. Another student parent program at a college or university	20.2%

Gender and Single Parenthood

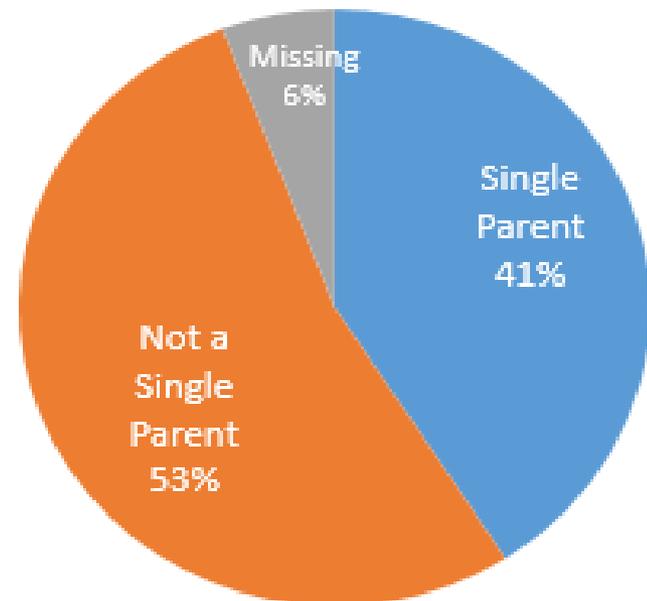
Source: SPEQ Spring 2014, N=242

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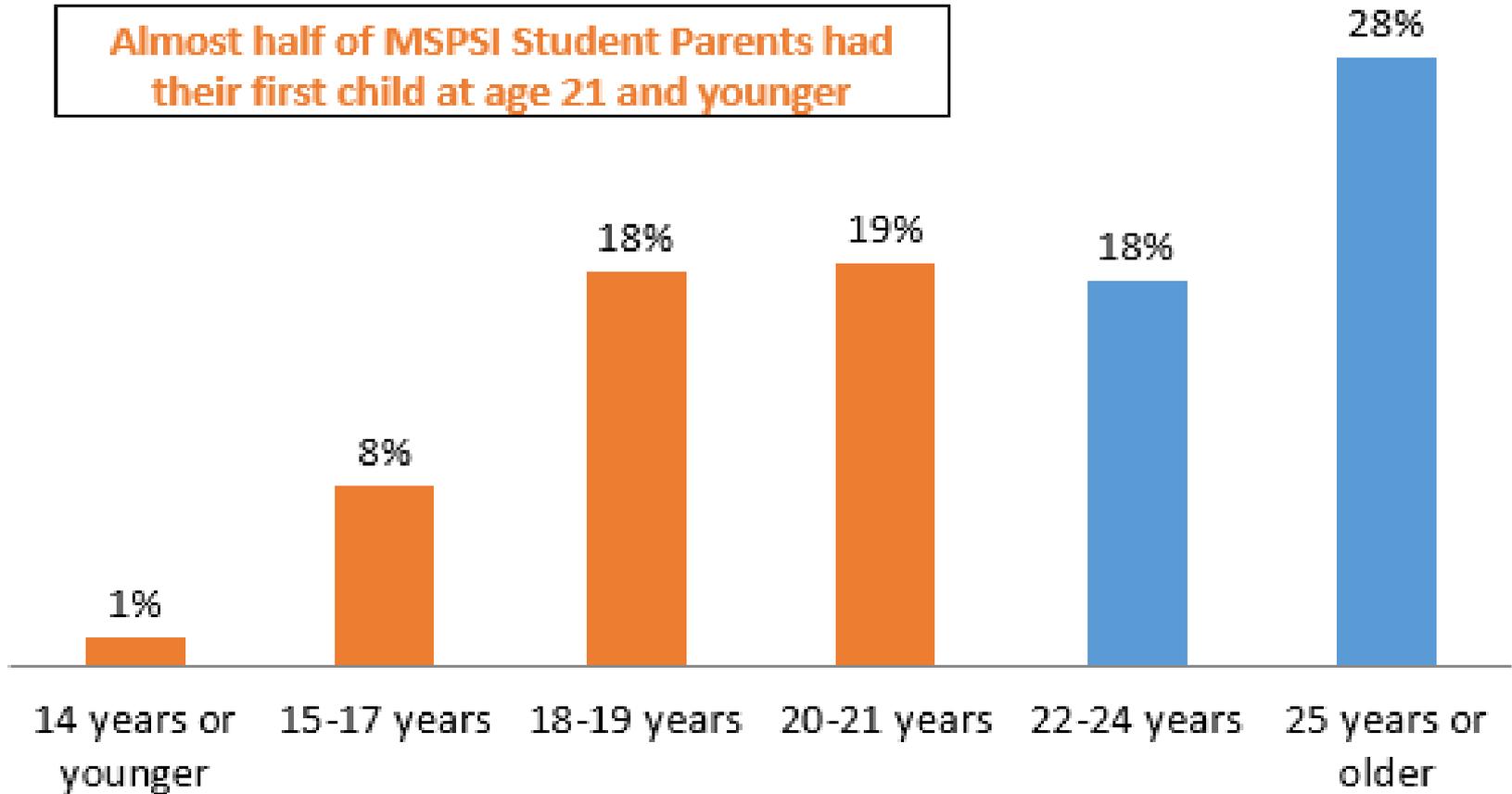
Single Parenthood



Participant Age at First Pregnancy

Source: SPEQ Spring 2014, N=242

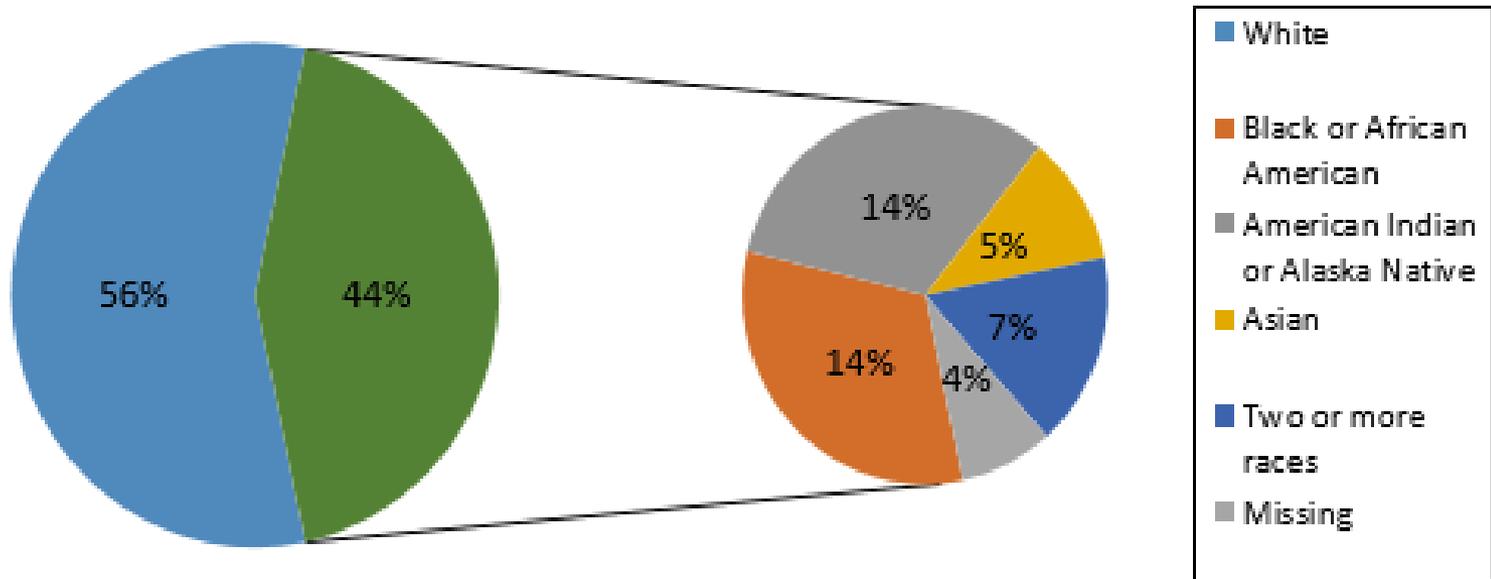
Almost half of MSPSI Student Parents had their first child at age 21 and younger



MSPSI Programs Serve a Racially Diverse Population

Source: Intake Form Spring 2014, N=166

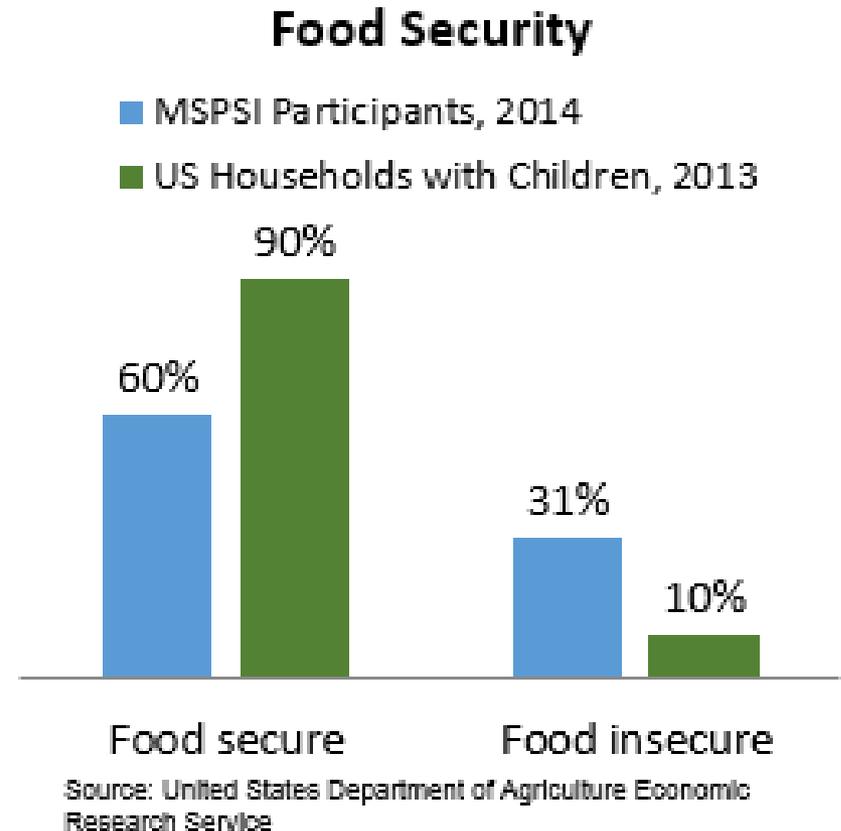
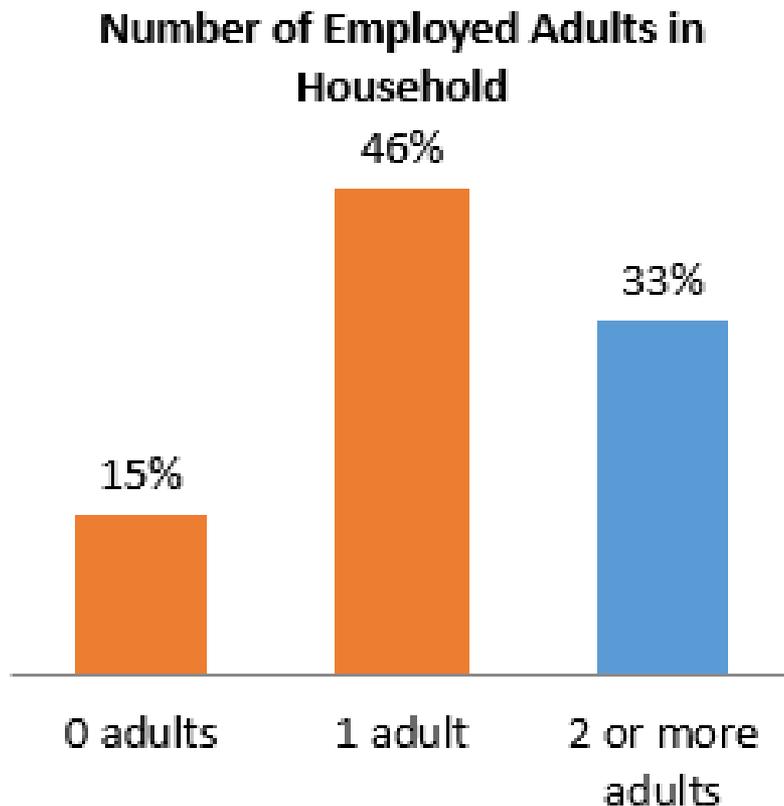
Almost half of MSPSI participants are of minority race with African Americans and American Indians representing the two largest minority groups.



MSPSI Participants Are Struggling Financially

Source: SPEQ Spring 2014, N=242

- **Almost 44% of MSPSI Student Parents are either the only employed adult in their household or do not have any employed adults in their household.**
- **One-third of MSPSI Student Parents are food insecure, higher than the national rate.**



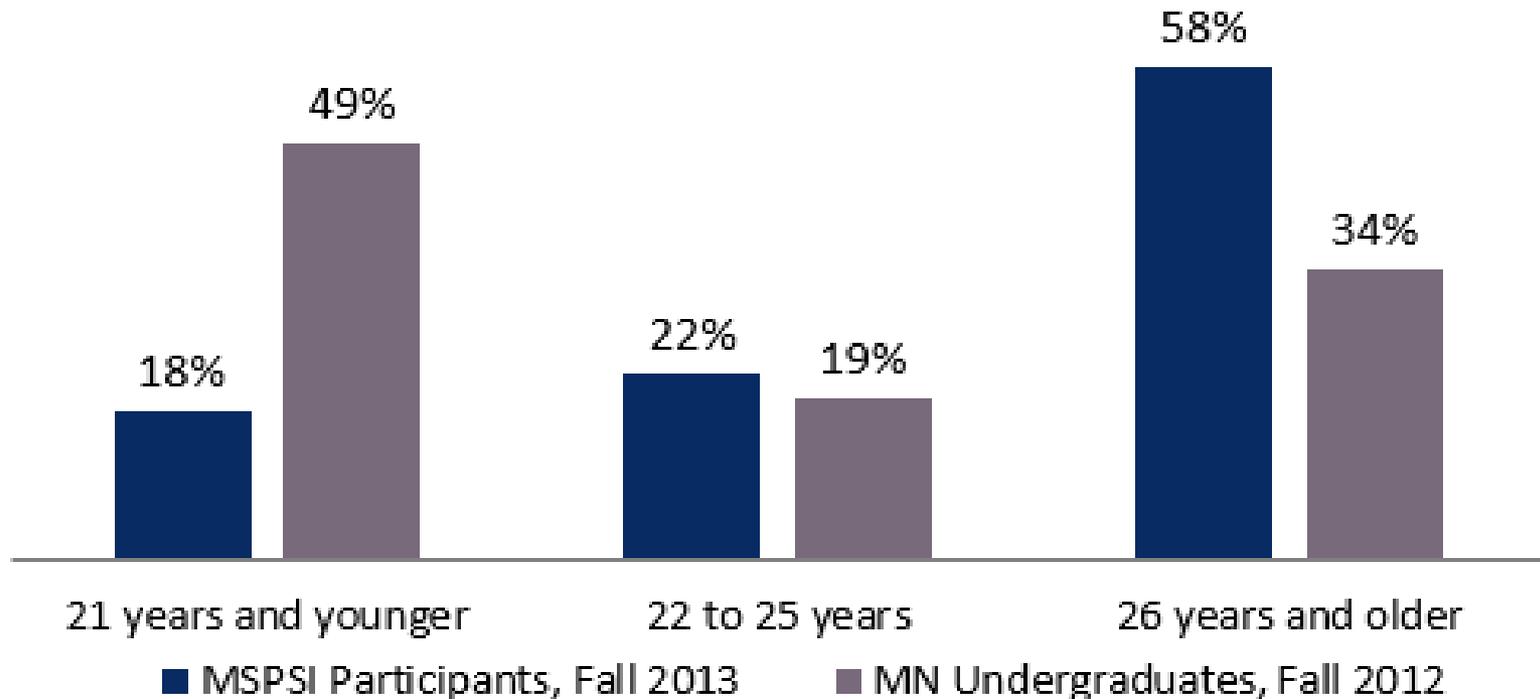
Mspsi participant academic profile

2013-2014 Academic Year

MSPSI Participants are Older than Traditional Minnesota Students

Source: PAF Fall 2013, N=189

In general, the older undergraduate student population is growing in MN. However, a larger proportion of MSPSI participants are 22 years and older (80%) compared to Minnesota's overall undergraduate population (53%).



MSPSI Participants are Non-Traditional Students

Nontraditional students are much more likely than traditional students to leave postsecondary education without earning a degree

National Center of Education Statistics defines nontraditional status as a continuum based on the number of nontraditional characteristics present:

• **Minimally nontraditional** =

1 characteristic

• **Moderately nontraditional** =

2 – 3 characteristics

• **Highly nontraditional** =

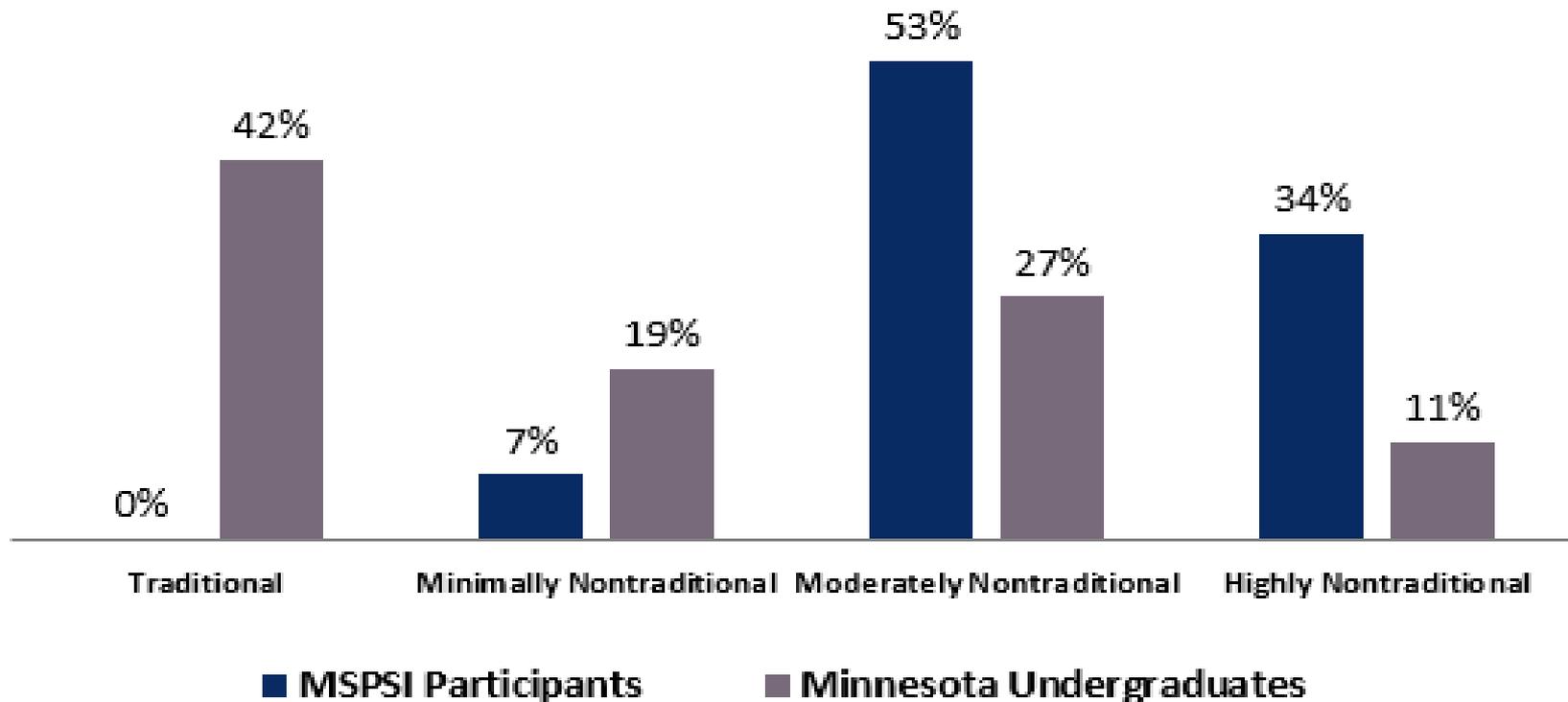
4 or more characteristics

Nontraditional (NT) Characteristics:

- Part-time student
- Has a GED or other high school completion certificate
- Financially independent
- Delayed entry into postsecondary education
- Has dependents other than a spouse
- Single parent
- Employed full-time

MSPSI Participants are Moderately to Highly Non-Traditional Students

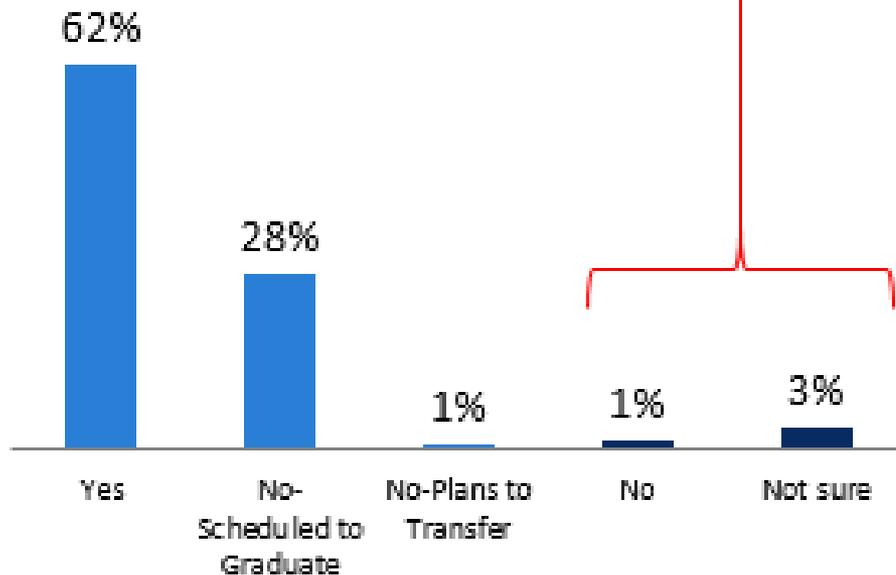
86.8% of MSPSI Student Parents are Moderately to Highly Non-Traditional vs 38% of MN Undergraduates



MSPSI Participant Intent to Persist and Reason for Attrition

Source: SPEQ Spring 2014, N=242

Q: Do you plan on registering to be a student at this institution in the next semester?



If "NO" or "Not Sure" → Reason For Not Registering the Following Semester	% (N=11)
1. Financial stress	63.6
2. Conflicts with demands at home or personal problems	54.5
3. Academic problems	45.5
4. Mental health	36.4

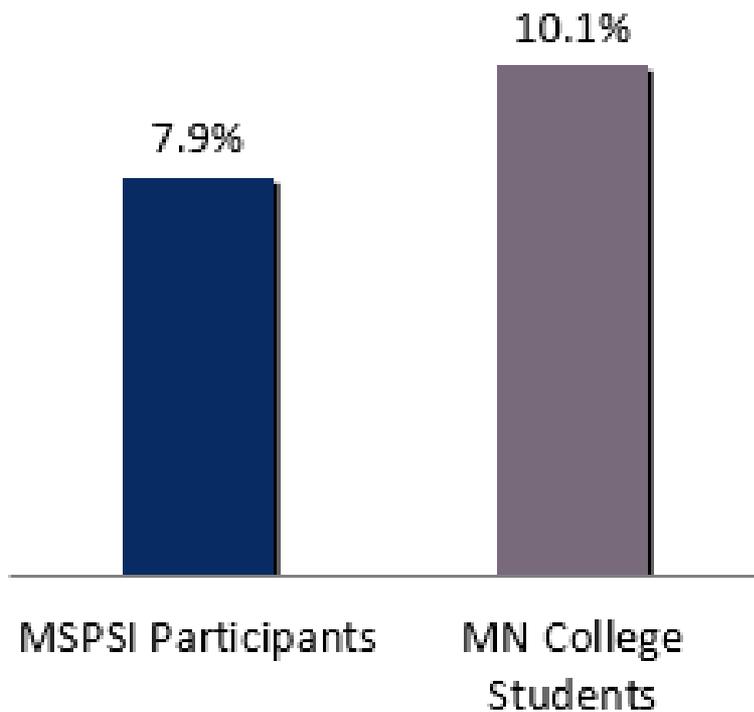
MSPSI Participant health profile

2013-2014 Academic Year

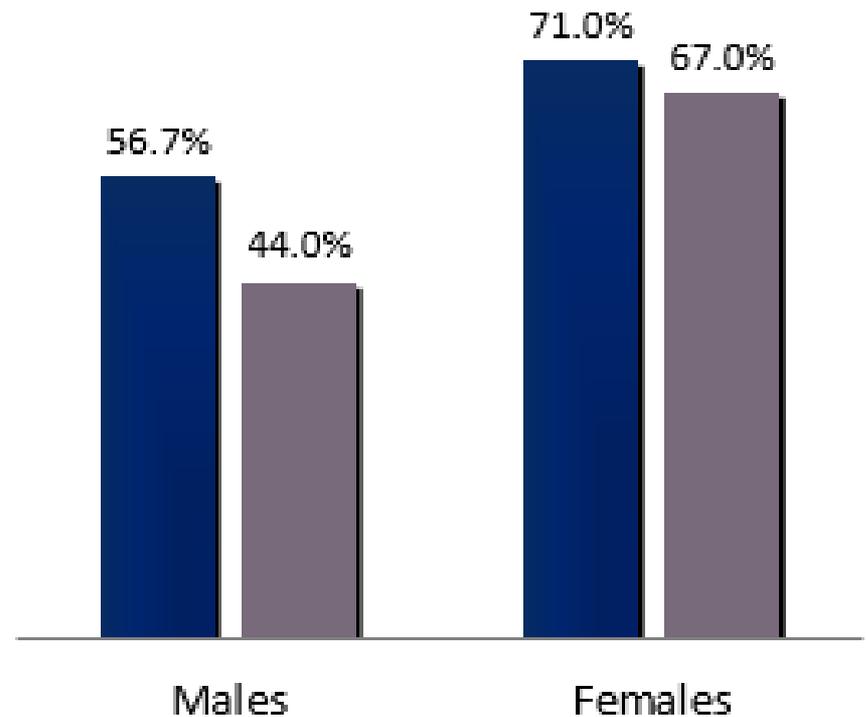
Health Insurance and Health Care Utilization

Source: SPEQ Spring 2014, N=242

Percent Uninsured

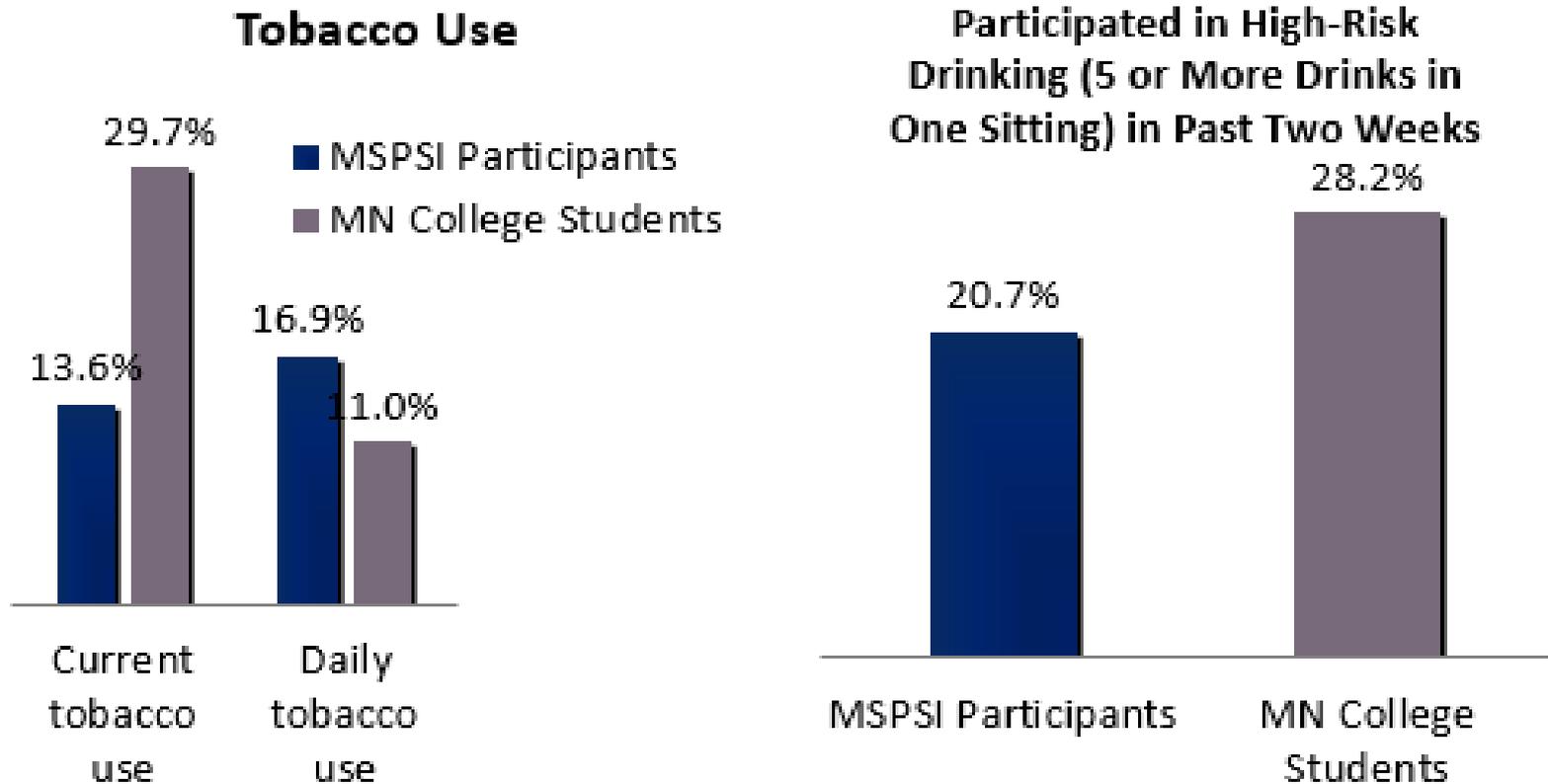


Received Routine Medical Exam Within Last Year



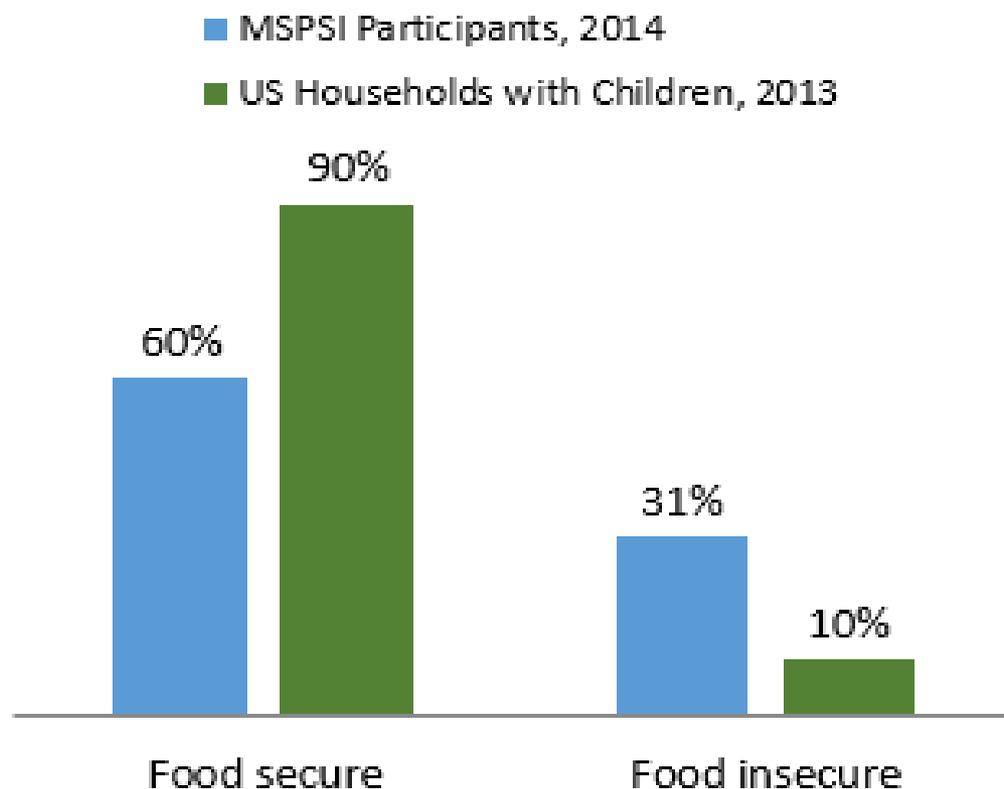
Tobacco and Alcohol Use

Source: SPEQ Spring 2014, N=242



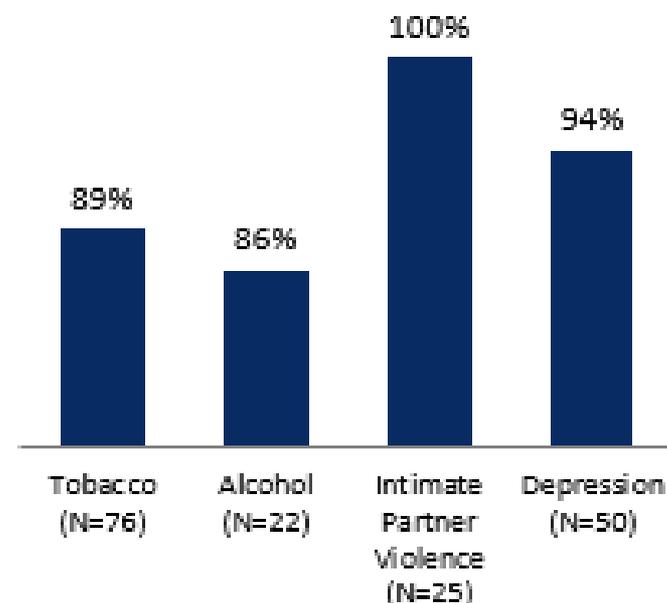
MSPSI Participant Positive Health Screens and Referrals; Source: PAF Spring 2014

Food Security



Participants Identified with Need and Referred to Further Resources

(N = Participants with Positive Screen in Each Health Screen)



Mspsi Program Services and
participant satisfaction with services
2012-2013 Academic Year

Top Three Barriers and Challenges Experienced by MSPSI Participants as Pregnant and Parenting Students

Top 5 Barriers and Challenges (Participants may choose at most three)	% (N=242)
1. Balancing time between coursework and parenting and/or family responsibilities	65.3
2. Lack of financial resources	64.0
3. Cost of child care	26.9
4. Mental health	19.8
5. Course scheduling	18.6

Satisfaction With Child Care

Source: SPEQ Spring 2014, N=242

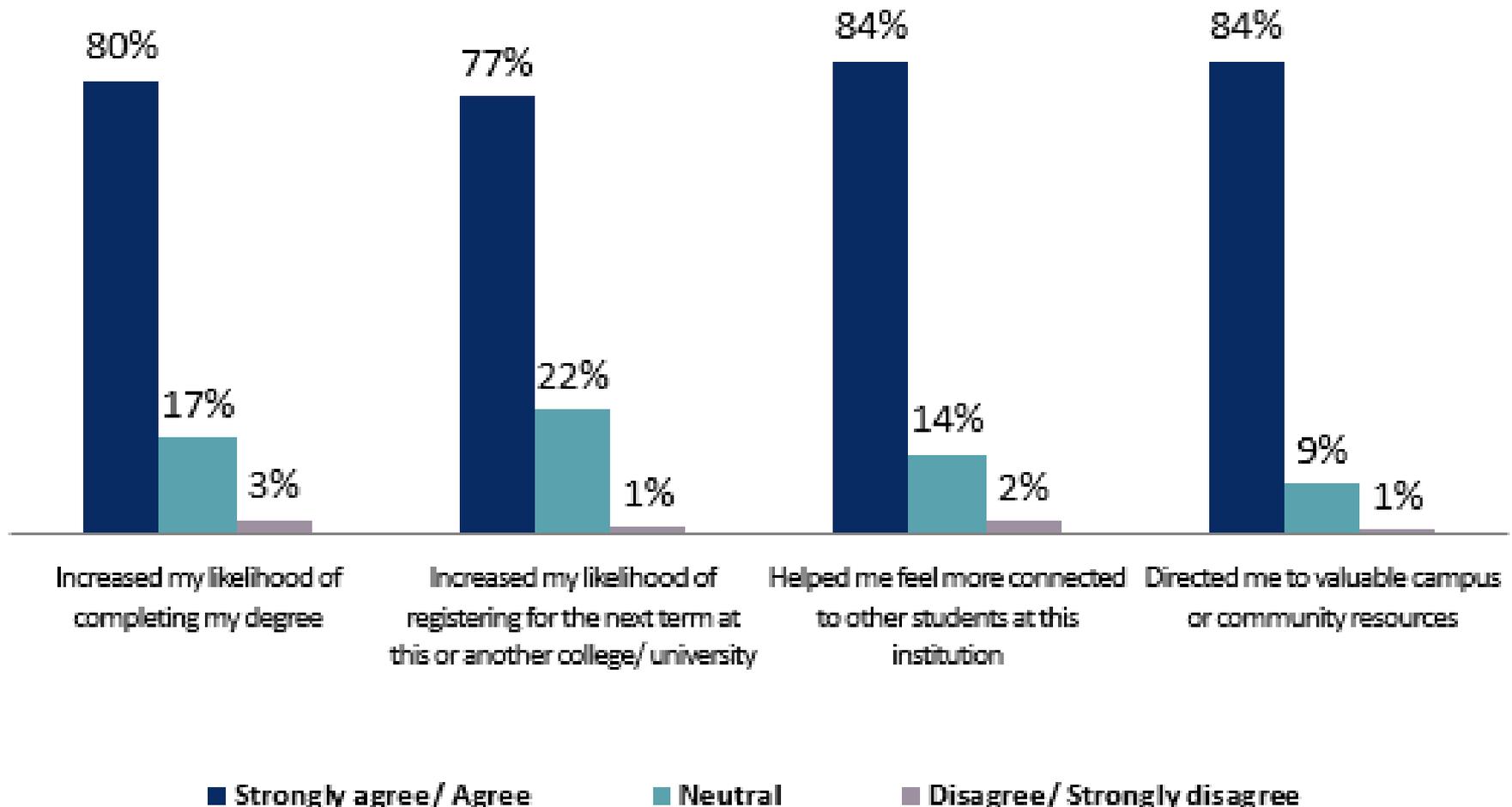
Satisfaction with Child Care N=242	Strongly Disagree/ Disagree	Neutral	Agree/ Strongly Agree
I am generally happy with my child care arrangements.	7.6%	19.2%	73.2%
I feel my child care needs are met in order to be a successful student.	11.1%	17.8%	71.1%
I have adequate financial resources for reliable and quality child care.	25.8%	27.6%	46.7%
I feel confident in the quality of my child care.	5.3%	17.3%	77.3%
My child care arrangements are reliable	8.5%	17.4%	74.1%

Most Valuable Services Offered by the Student Parent Program (Participants may choose at most three)	% (N=242)	How did the MSPSI program met those needs during the <u>Spring 2014</u> term?
1. Connecting with other student parents	41.7	46.8% of MSPSI student parents participated in a student parent support group. 36.1% participated in a MSPSI-sponsored social activity
2. Academic or emotional support from a program staff member	41.0	77.5% of MSPSI student parents received one-on-one support from a staff member.

Most Valuable Services Offered by the Student Parent Program (Participants may choose at most three)	% (N=242)	How did the MSPSI program met those needs during the <u>Spring 2014</u> term?
3. Source of financial assistance	39.3	<p>About 20.0% of MSPSI student parents were referred to resources for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food support (20.0%) • Transportation support (18.2%) • Materials/concrete support (21.3%)
4. Student parent support groups	36.4	<p>➤ See #1</p>

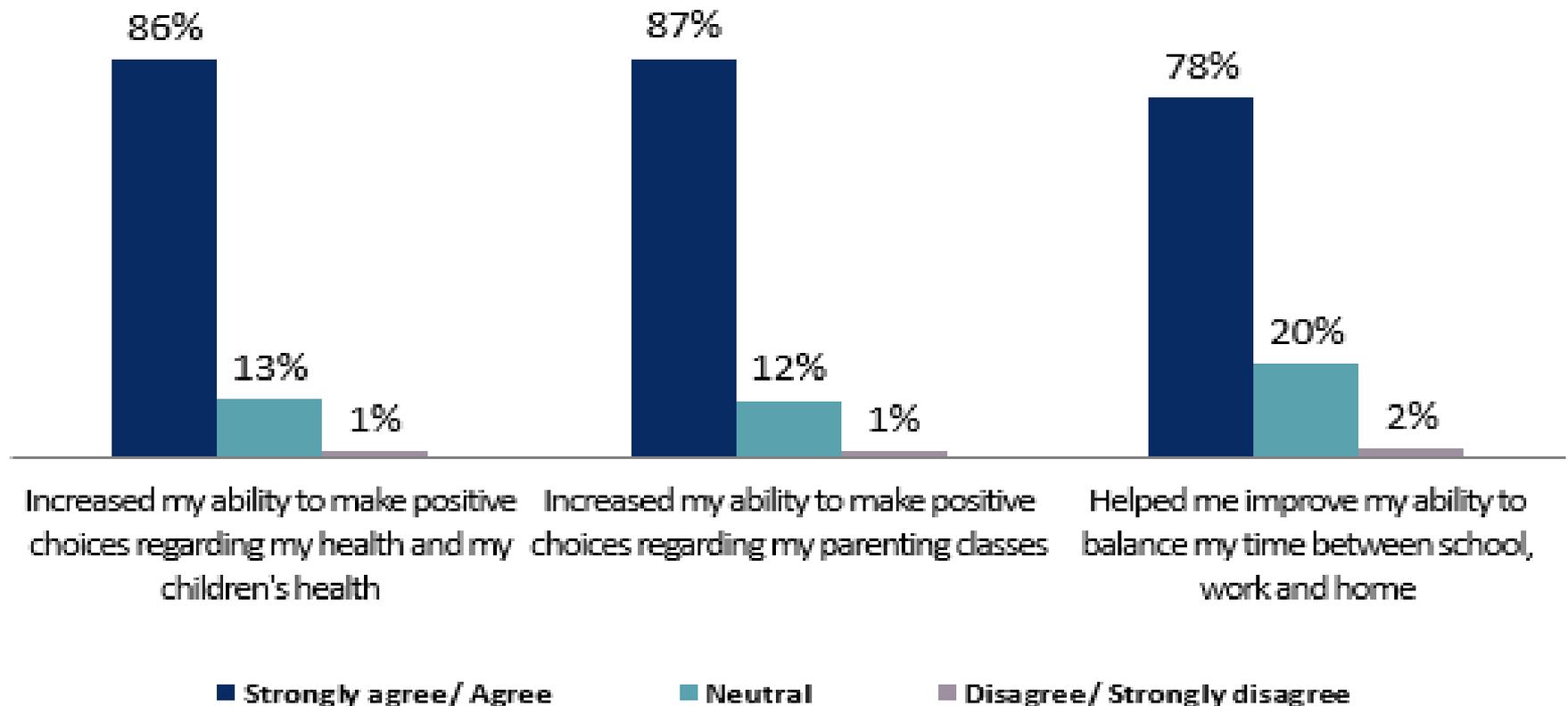
Does the MSPSI Program Help Student Parents Achieve their Educational Goals?

Participating in the MSPSI program has:

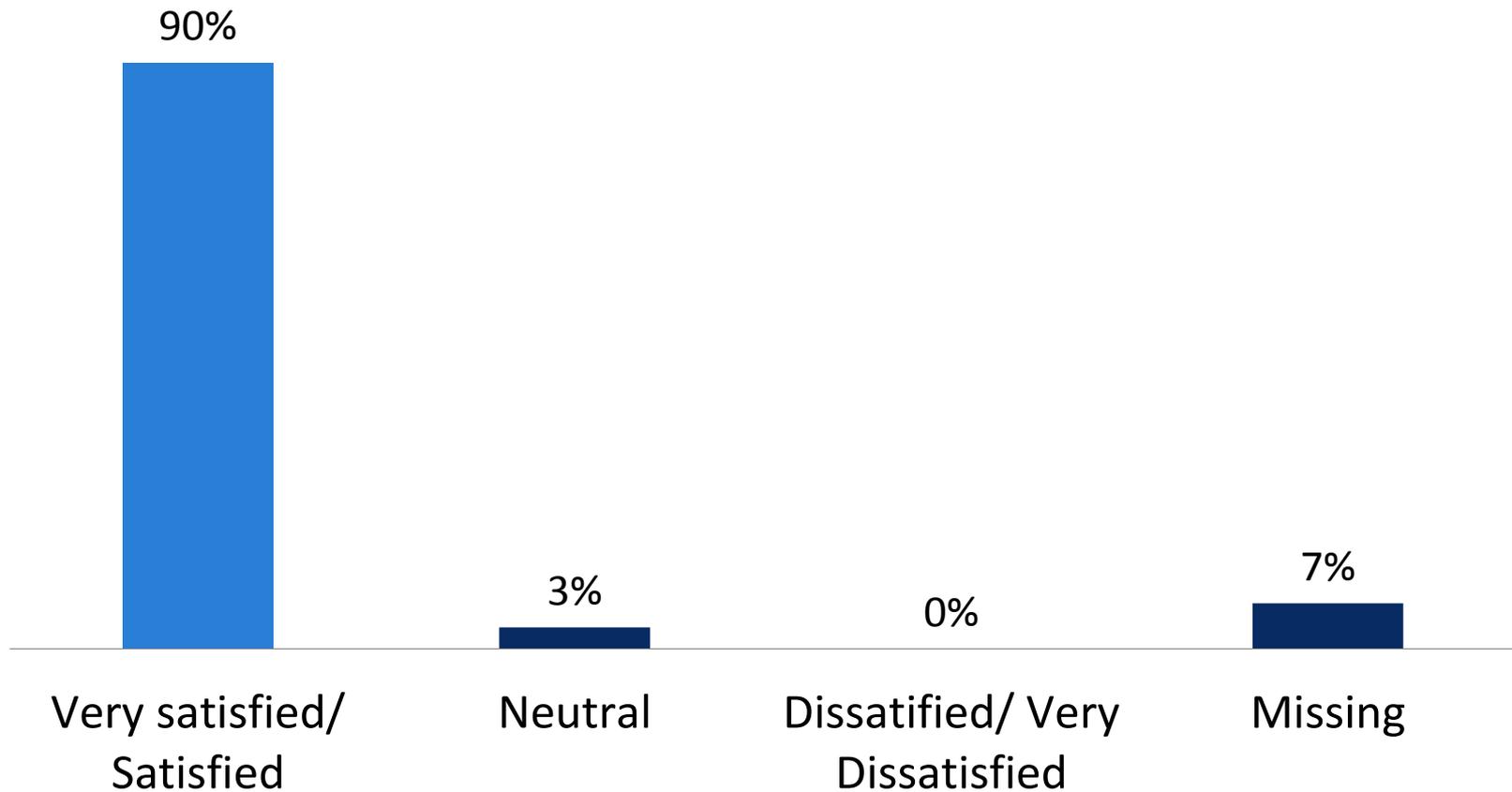


Does the MSPSI Program Help Student Parents Make Positive Health and Parenting Choices?

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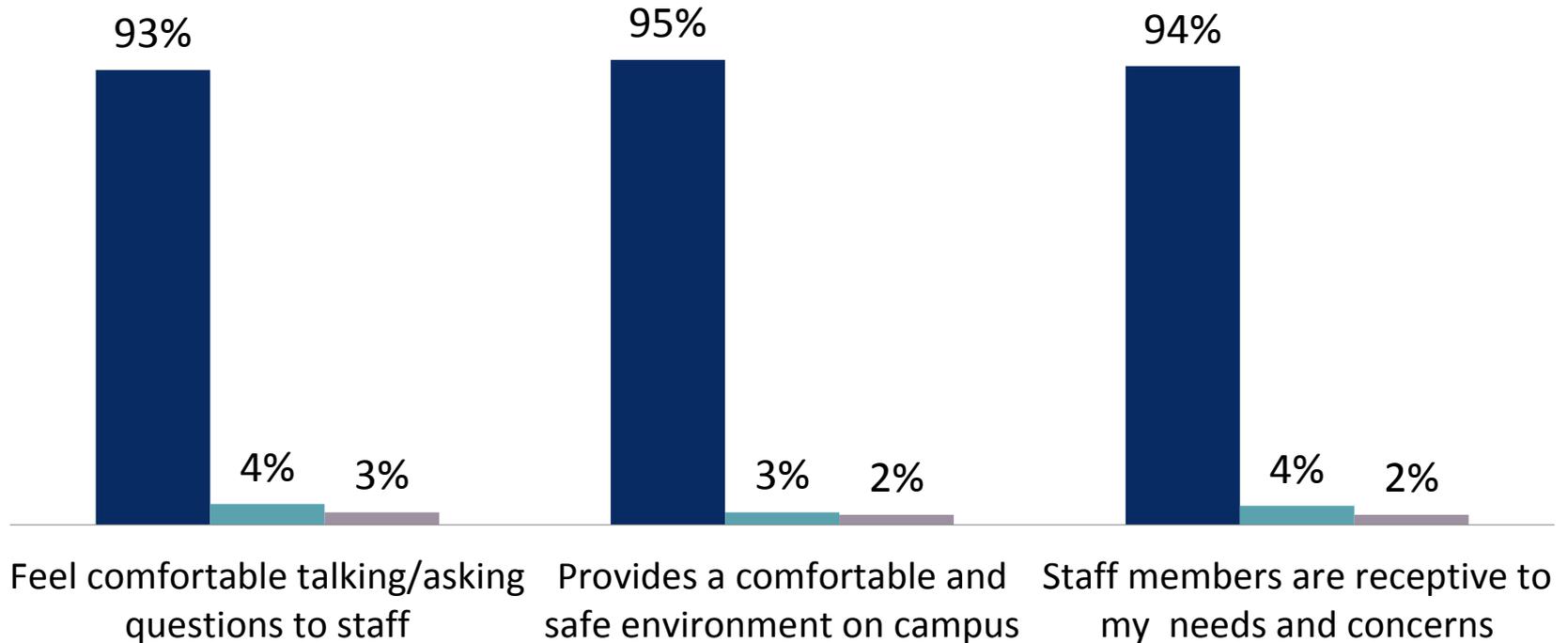


Participant Satisfaction with MSPSI Program Services and Resources



Participant Satisfaction with MSPSI Program Staff and Facility

■ Strongly Agree/ Agree ■ Neutral ■ Disagree/ Strongly Disagree



Thank you!

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