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# ComReg Connectivity Survey

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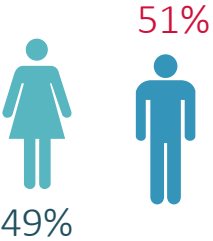
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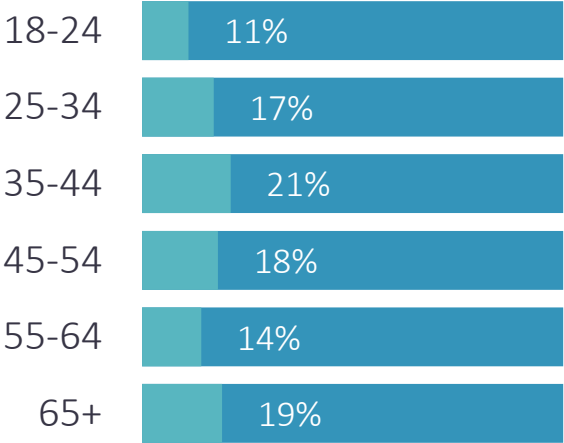
# Methodology

- Face-to-Face research was conducted with 1,480 ROI adults aged 18+.
- All adults are responsible or jointly responsible for making decisions regarding telecommunications
- Quota controls were used at the outset to ensure a nationally representative sample of ROI adults aged 18+, with interlocking quotas to provide extra confidence in sample profile
- Data captured was weighted across Gender, age, province, region and social class so as to ensure a nationally representative sample
- Breakdown of Regions (based on CSO Census data on population density)
  - Region 1 <10 people per sq km,
  - Region 2 between 10-25 people per sq km,
  - Region 3 between 25-50 people per sq km,
  - Region 4 50-100 people per sq km,
  - Region 5 over 100 people per sq km
- Fieldwork for this research took place from September 9th – October 15<sup>th</sup> and December 2<sup>nd</sup> – December 24<sup>th</sup> 2020

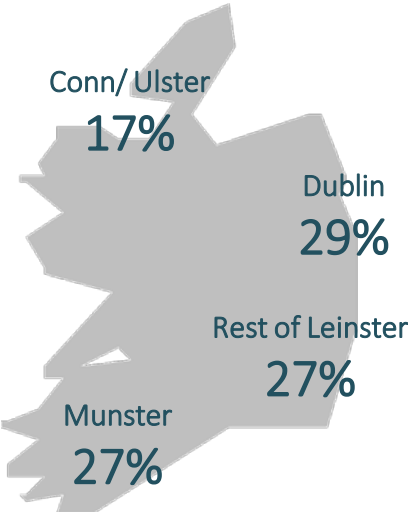
## Gender



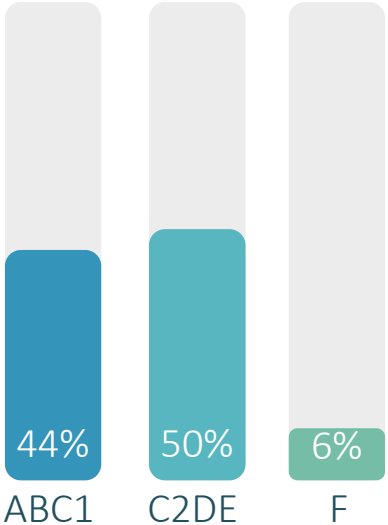
## Age



## Ireland

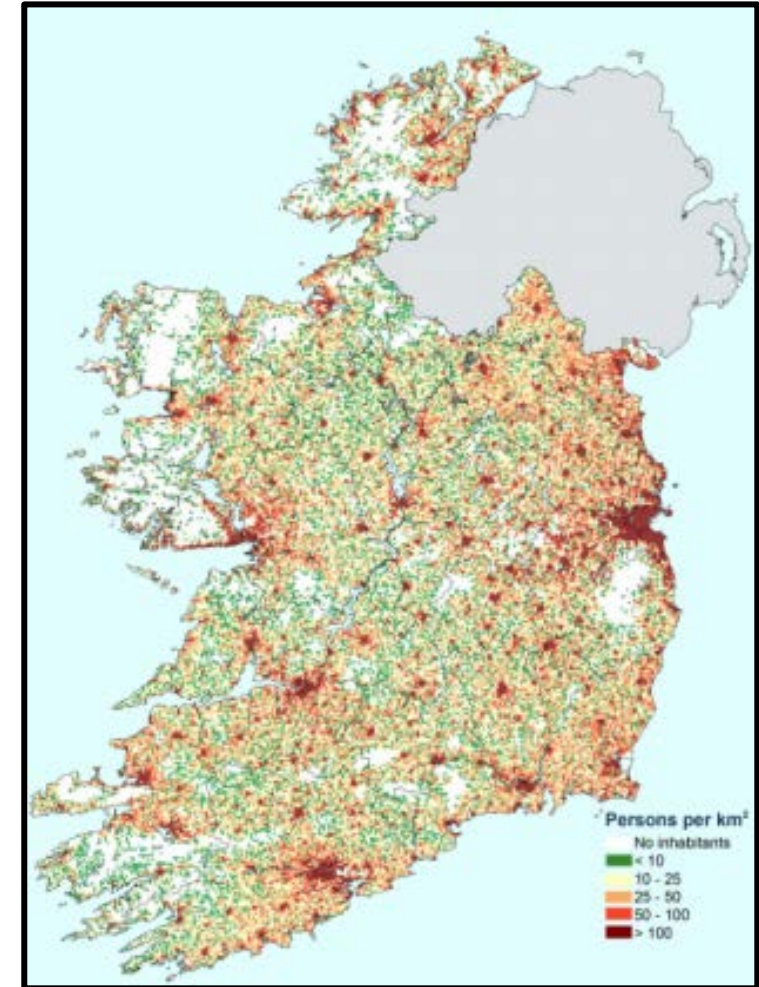


## Social Class



# Sample size and population density

	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3	Sample 4	Sample 5
Sample Size	271	331	232	220	426
Population Density	<10 per Sq. Km	<25 and >10 per Sq. Km	<50 and >25 per Sq. Km	<100 and >50 per Sq. Km	>100 per Sq. Km
Total Population (2016)	54,680	475,702	650,521	507,773	2,899,576
Sq. Km	9,912	27,362	18,940	7,412	4,839
Number of Electoral Divisions (circa)	296	1,162	849	342	777



Source: CSO, Census 2011



# Overview

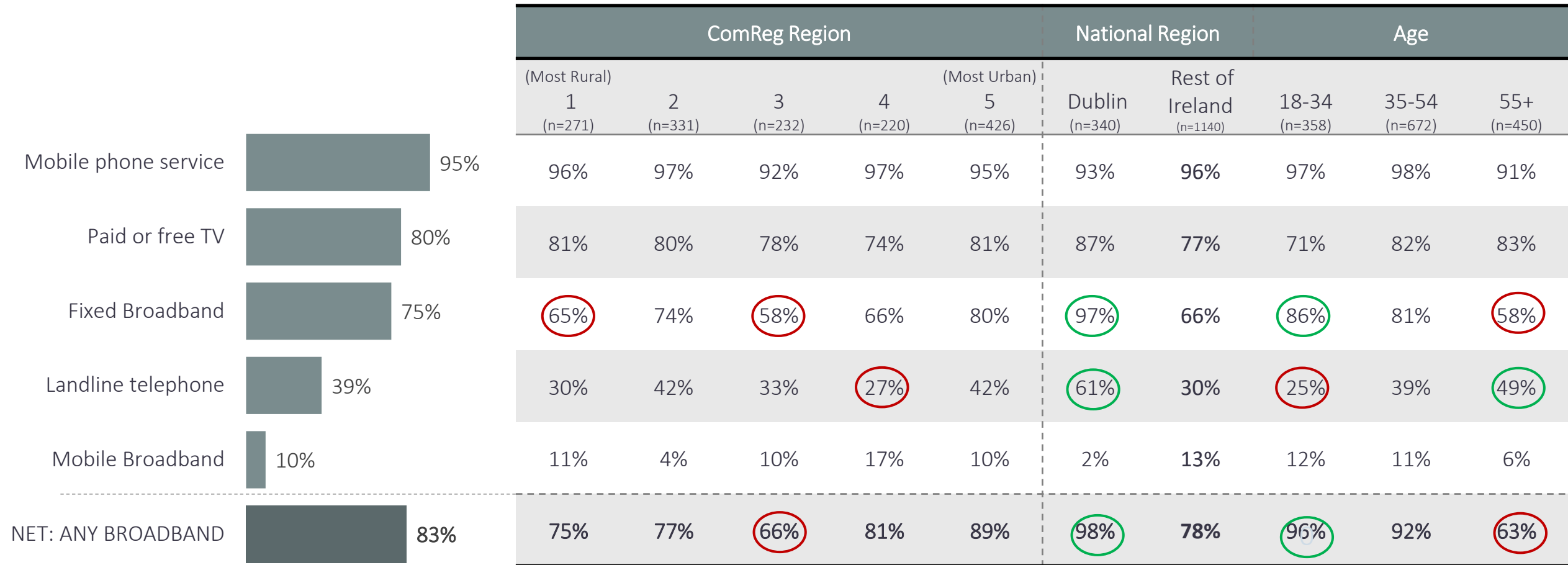
1. Ownership of Telecommunication Services
2. Broadband Usage, Switching & Faster Broadband Services
3. Landline
4. Bundles & Contracts
5. TV
6. Key Findings

# Ownership and Non-Take-up of Services



# Telecommunications Ownership / Access in home

## Dubliners most likely to own TV, broadband and Landline



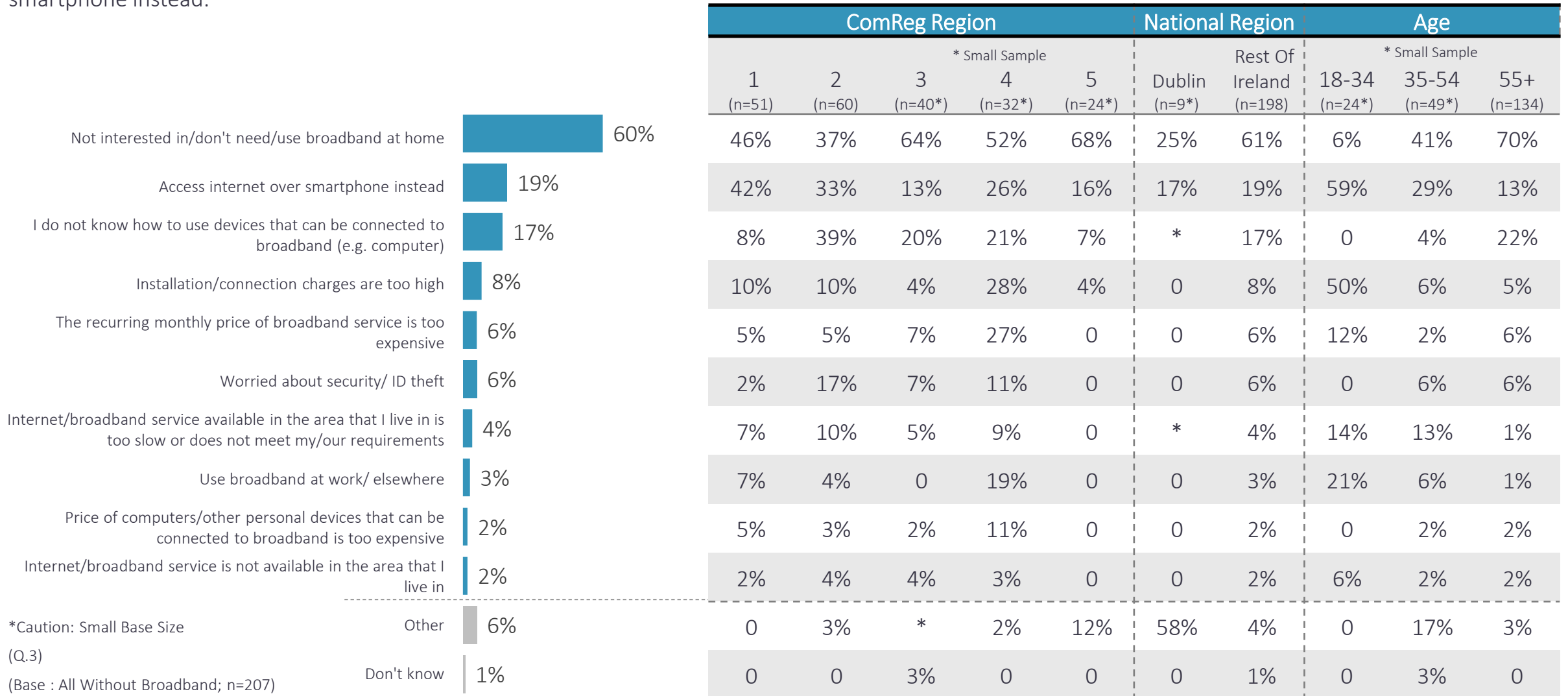
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(Base : All Telecoms Decision Makers; n=1480)

# Reason for not having broadband

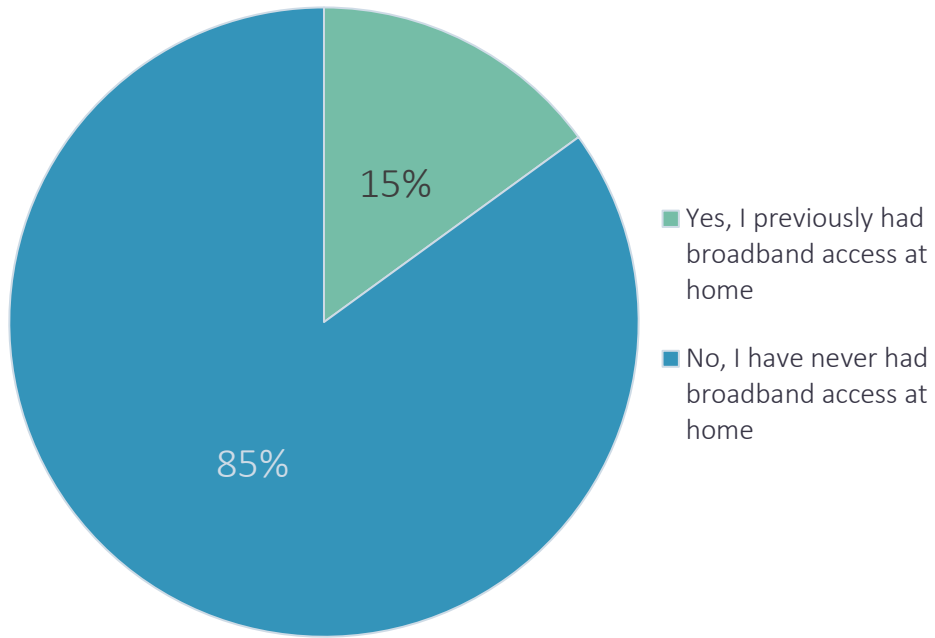
## Main reason for not having broadband is not needing it

Older age cohorts are most likely to not have access to broadband because they don't need it, and much less likely to report accessing internet on a smartphone instead.



# Of those without broadband, had they ever had broadband?

Regions 1-4 are less likely to have ever had Broadband



- Yes, I previously had broadband access at home
- No, I have never had broadband access at home

ComReg Region					National Region		Age		
1 (n=51)	2 (n=60)	3 (n=40*)	4 (n=32*)	5 (n=24*)	Dublin (n=9*)	Rest Of Ireland (n=198)	18-34 (n=24*)	35-54 (n=49*)	55+ (n=134)
7%	9%	8%	10%	23%	0	15%	6%	40%	8%
93%	90%	92%	90%	77%	100%	85%	92%	60%	92%

\*Caution: Small Base Size

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(Base : All Without Broadband; n=207)

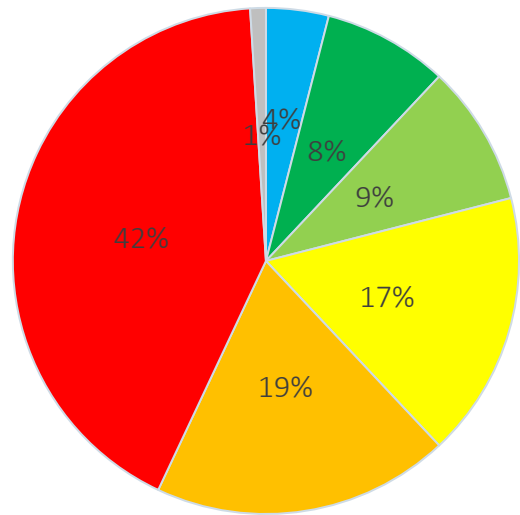


# Broadband Usage



# Tenure of broadband service at home (regardless of provider)

No real difference in tenure between Dublin and outside Dublin.



**Average Tenure:  
5.98 Years**

- 6 MONTHS OR LESS
- 6-12 MONTHS
- 1-2 YEARS
- 2-3 YEARS
- 3-5 YEARS
- 5 YEARS +
- Don't know

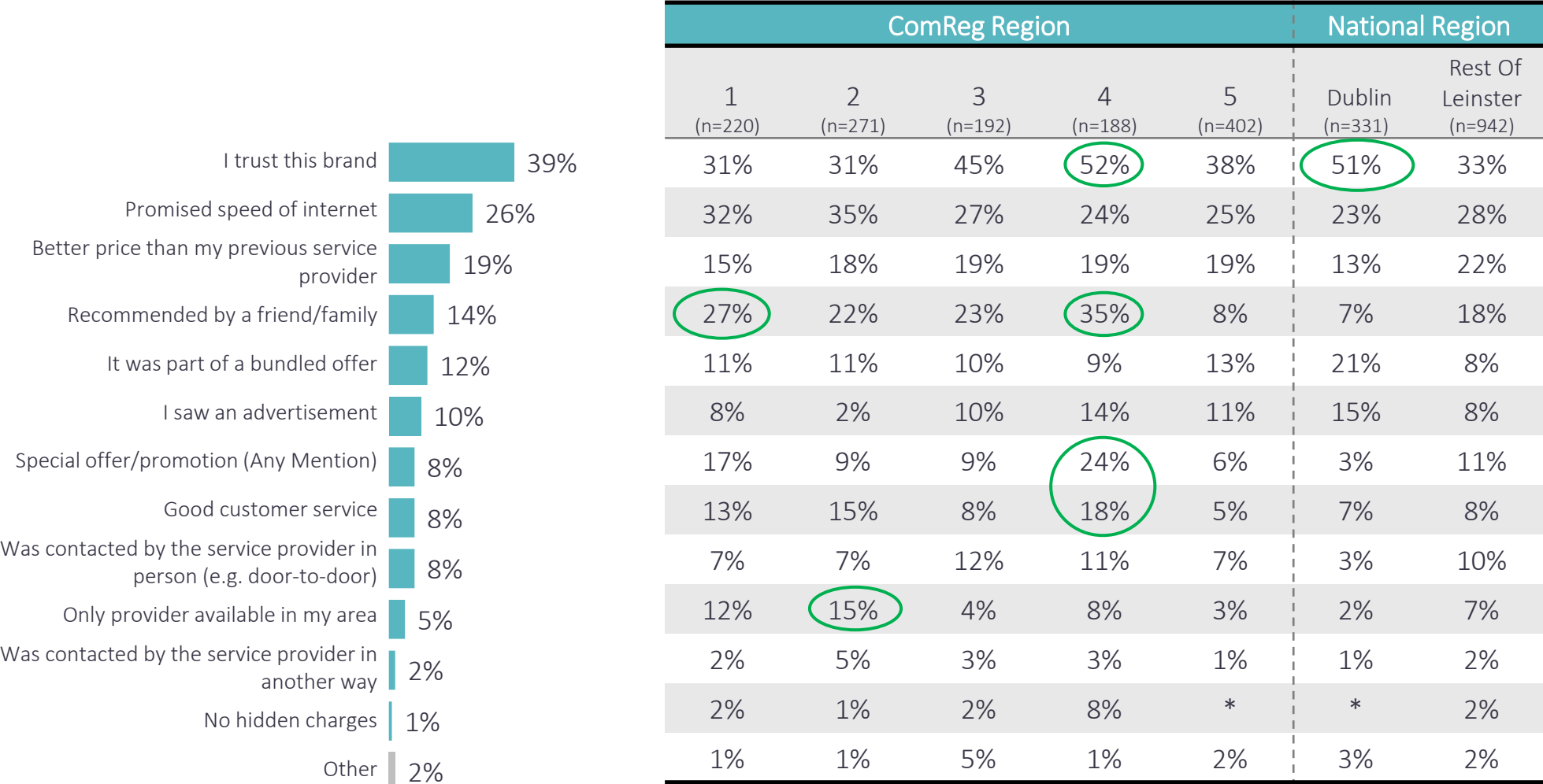
	ComReg Region					National Region		Age		
	1 (n=220)	2 (n=271)	3 (n=192)	4 (n=188)	5 (n=402)	Dublin (n=331)	Rest Of Ireland (n=942)	18-34 (n=334)	35-54 (n=623)	55+ (n=316)
6 MONTHS OR LESS	8%	4%	8%	4%	4%	6%	4%	7%	3%	6%
6-12 MONTHS	9%	7%	7%	13%	7%	6%	9%	16%	5%	4%
1-2 YEARS	9%	12%	8%	5%	10%	9%	9%	17%	8%	4%
2-3 YEARS	13%	15%	11%	11%	19%	17%	17%	20%	17%	14%
3-5 YEARS	17%	12%	22%	27%	19%	21%	19%	18%	21%	18%
5 YEARS +	41%	50%	44%	34%	41%	40%	42%	22%	46%	55%
Don't know	2%	0	*	6%	*	1%	1%	1%	1%	*

(Q.27)

(Base : All Telecoms Decision Makers With Access To Broadband; n=1,273)

# Why choose selected current broadband provider

## Trust is the main driver of Broadband selection in Dublin



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(Base : All Telecoms Decision Makers With Access To Broadband; n=1,273)

# Importance of home broadband service

95% of those regularly working from home highly value their home broadband

		ComReg Region					National Region		Work from home		Unemployed	Age		
	Total	1 (n=220)	2 (n=271)	3 (n=192)	4 (n=188)	5 (n=402)	Dublin (n=331)	Rest Of Ireland (n=942)	Weekly+ (n=385)	Never (n=324)	Unemployed (n=70)	18-34 (n=334)	35-54 (n=623)	55+ (n=316)
10 – Critically Important to me	39%	36%	59%	22%	30%	40%	24%	47%	55%	23%	42%	43%	42%	29%
9	23%	25%	16%	21%	16%	25%	44%	12%	30%	18%	17%	27%	24%	17%
8	17%	20%	12%	19%	25%	16%	16%	18%	10%	22%	30%	24%	14%	15%
7	12%	12%	7%	22%	19%	9%	7%	14%	4%	22%	5%	5%	14%	15%
6	7%	4%	3%	12%	8%	6%	7%	6%	1%	10%	6%	1%	4%	18%
5	2%	*	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	4%	*	*	2%	2%
4	*	0	0	1%	1%	*	*	*	0%	1%	0	*	*	1%
3	*	0	1%	0	0	0	0	*	0	0	0	0	0	*
2	1%	0	1%	0	0	1%	0	1%	0	*	0	0	*	2%
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0 – Not at all important to me	*	1%	0	0	0	0	0	*	0	*	0	0	0	*

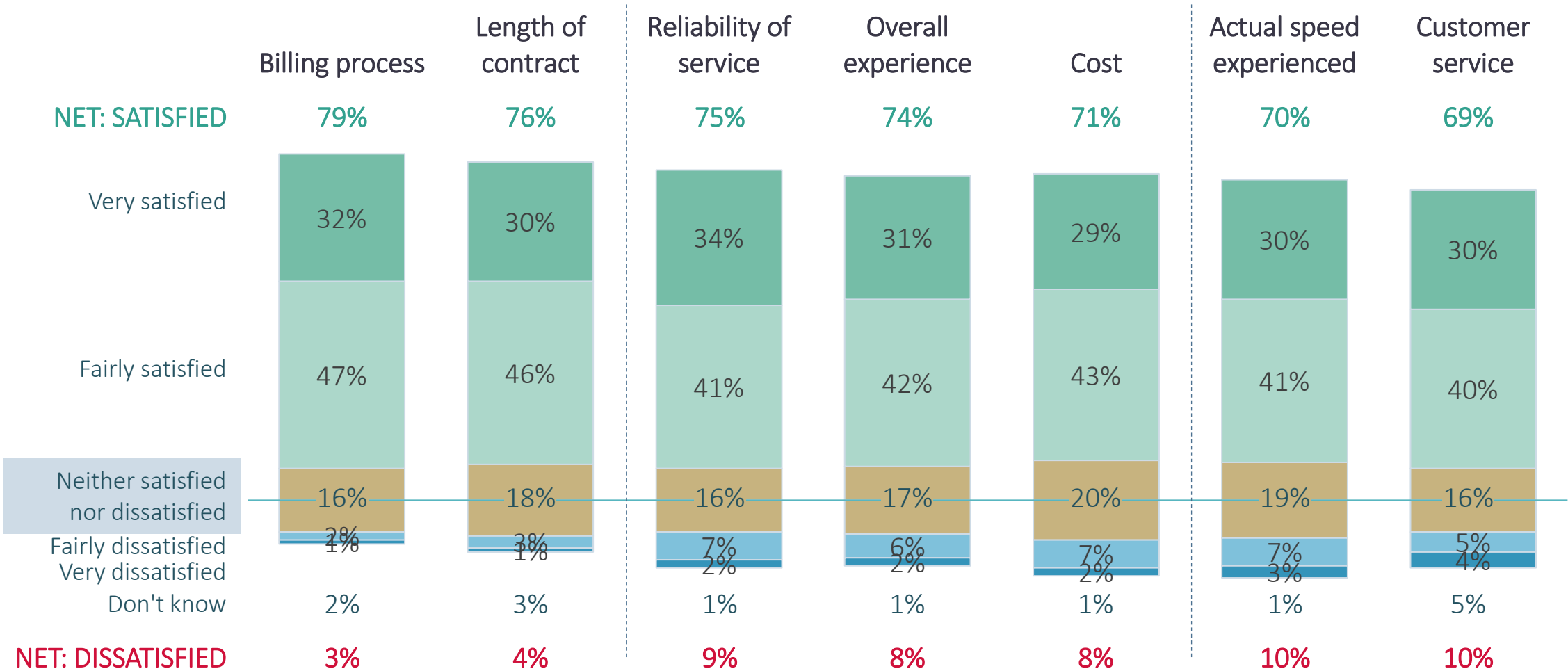
<b>AVERAGE IMPORTANCE</b>	8.66	8.65	9.07	8.09	8.33	8.74	8.63	8.67	9.30	8.08	8.84	9.04	8.79	7.99
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# Satisfaction with Broadband Service

Highest satisfaction for billing processes and contract length

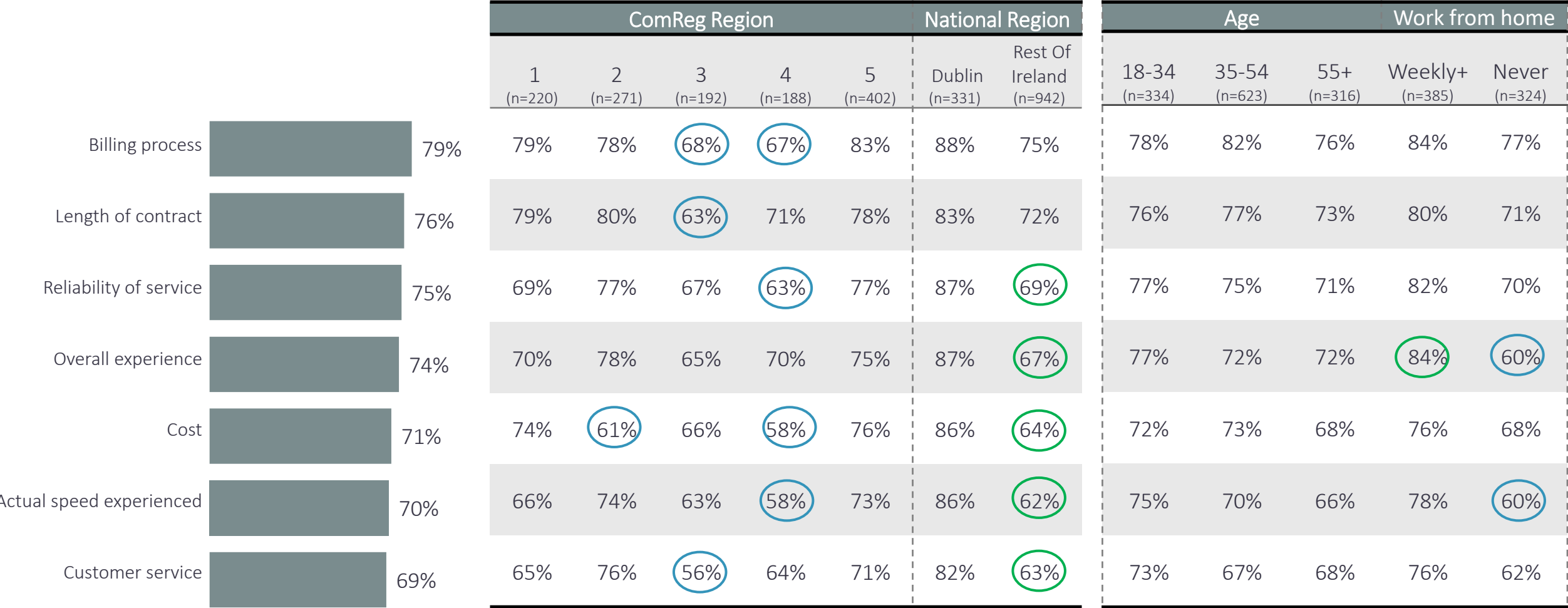


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# Satisfaction with broadband service: Net satisfied

Satisfaction tends to be higher among Dublin residents

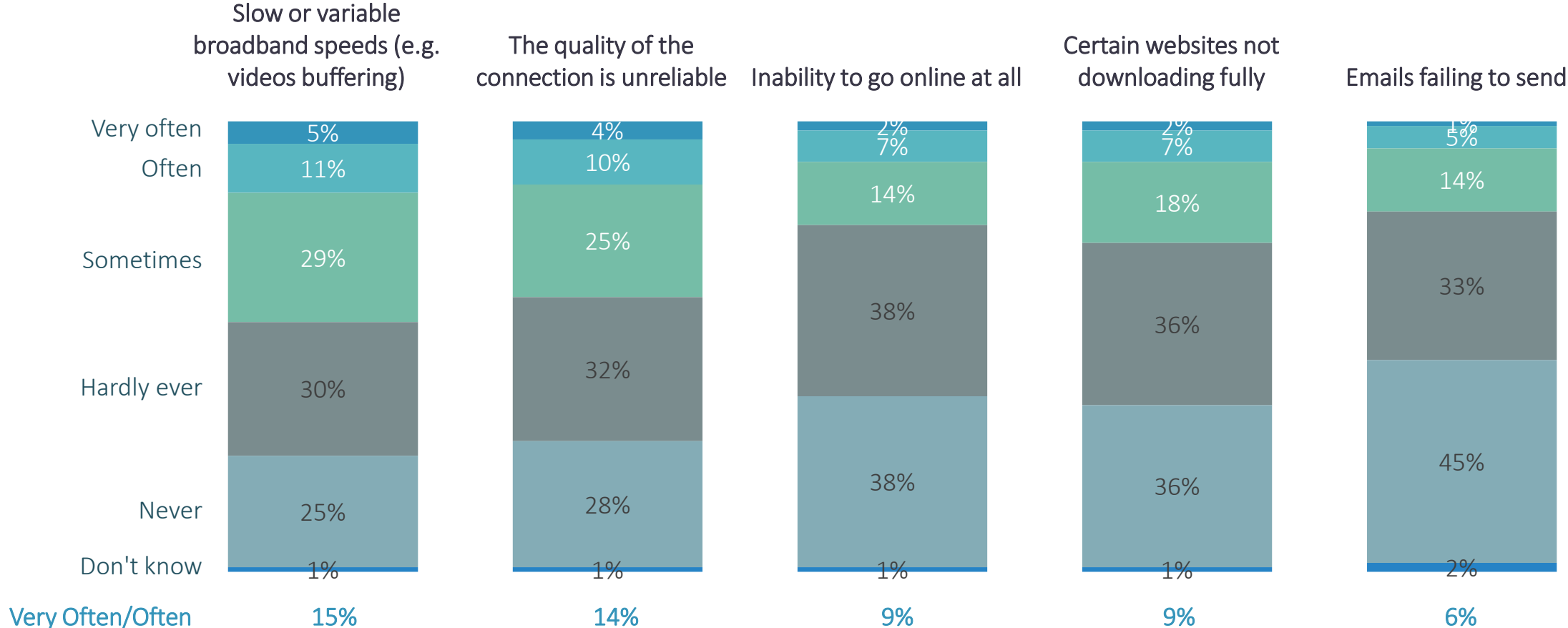


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# Frequency of experiencing problems with broadband

Slow speeds and quality of connection are most common

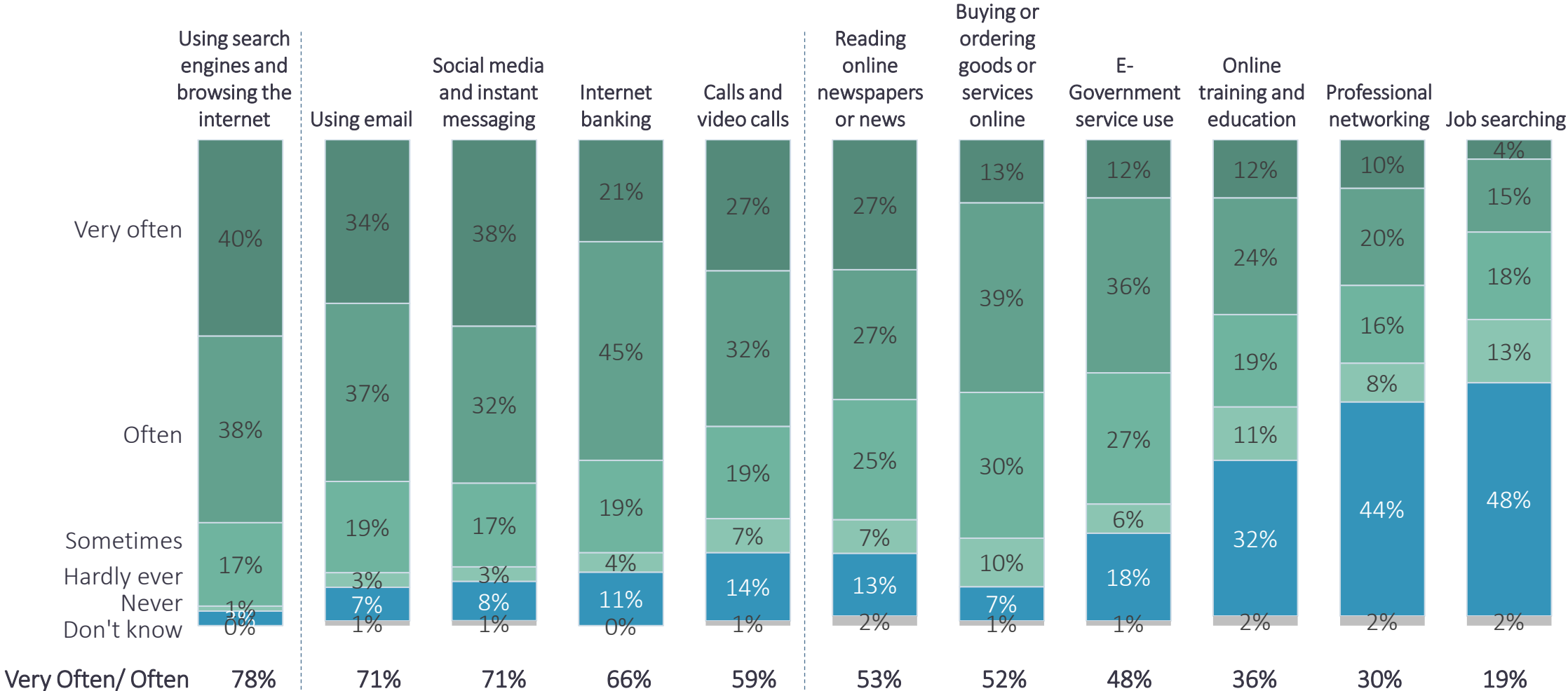


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# Frequency of using broadband for different purposes

Search, email and social media are primary uses of home broadband



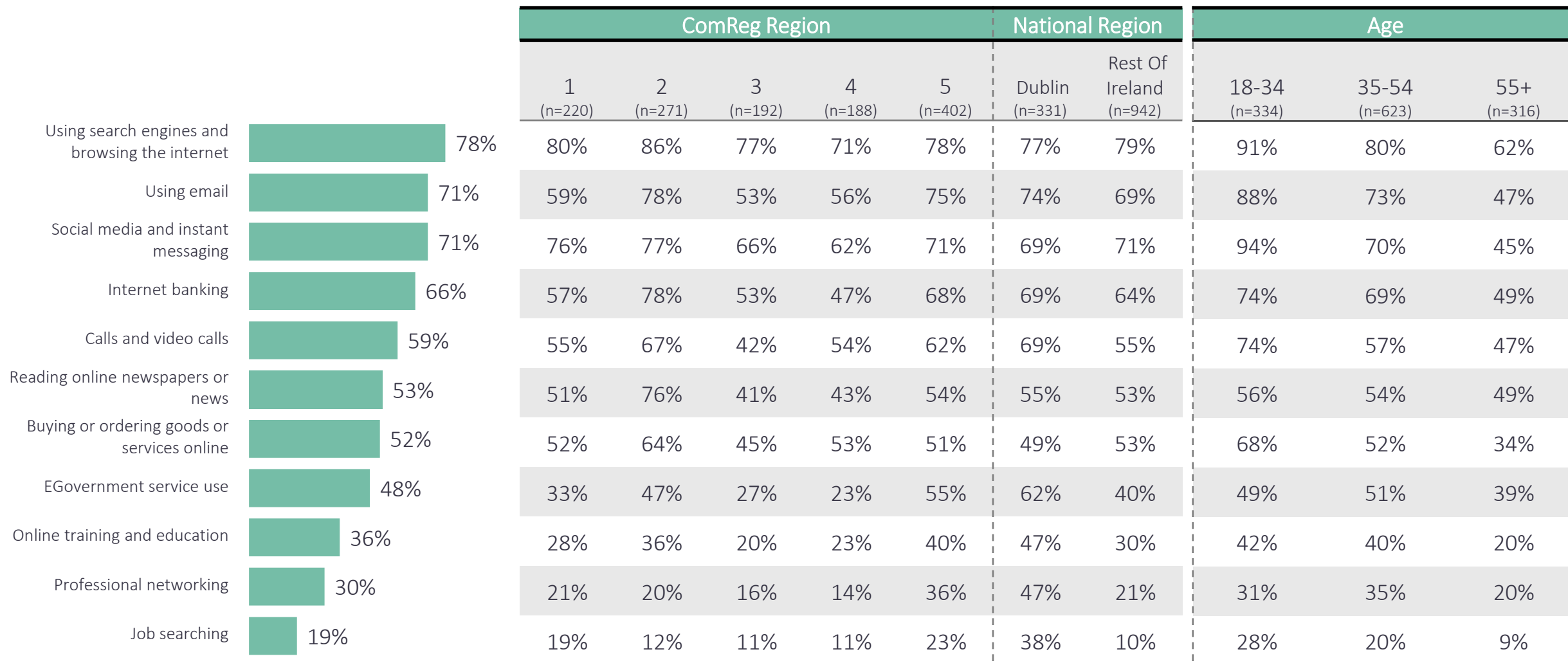
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# Frequency of using broadband for different purposes: very often/often summary

## Usage of broadband for calls/video calls higher in Dublin

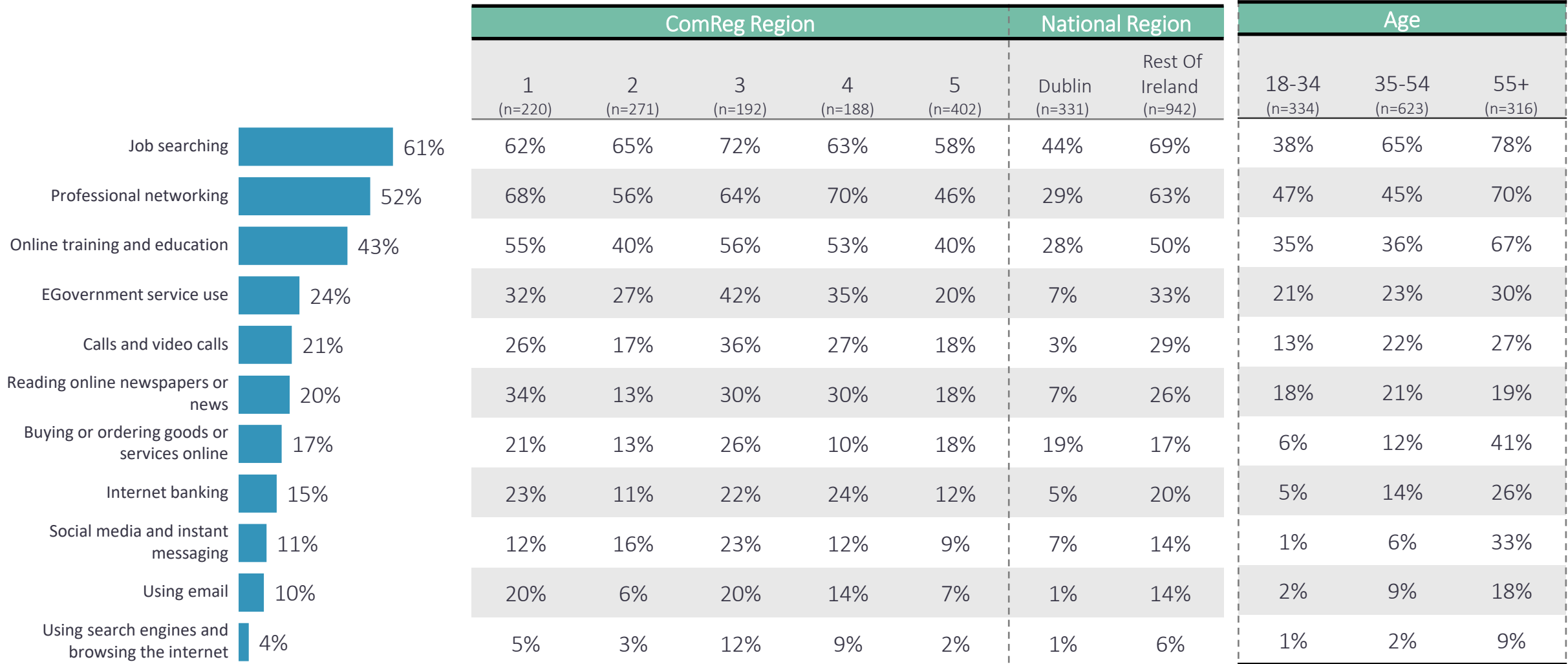


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# Frequency of using broadband for different purposes: hardly ever/never summary

Low frequency usage is higher outside of Dublin



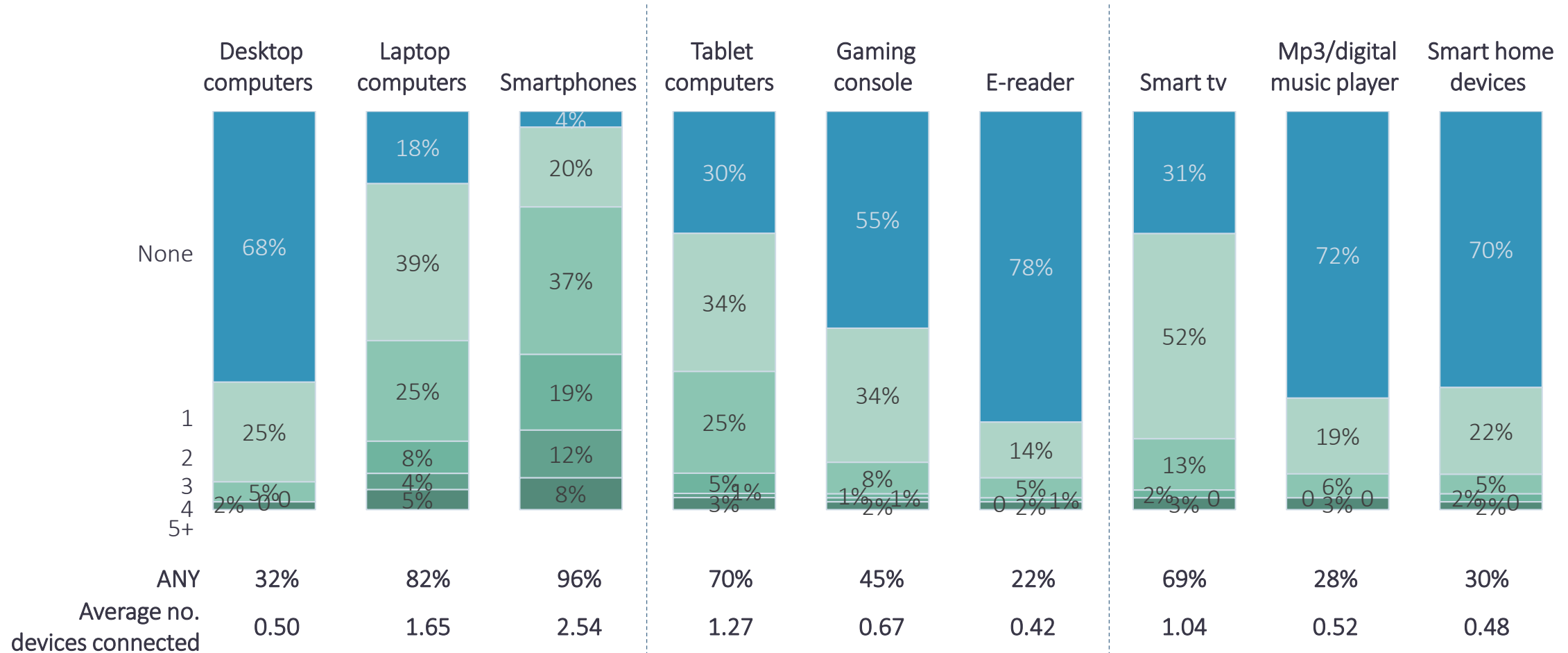
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# Number of devices connected to home broadband

## Smartphone ownership is almost universal

Majority of people also have access to at least 1 laptop, tablet and Smart TV connected to home broadband

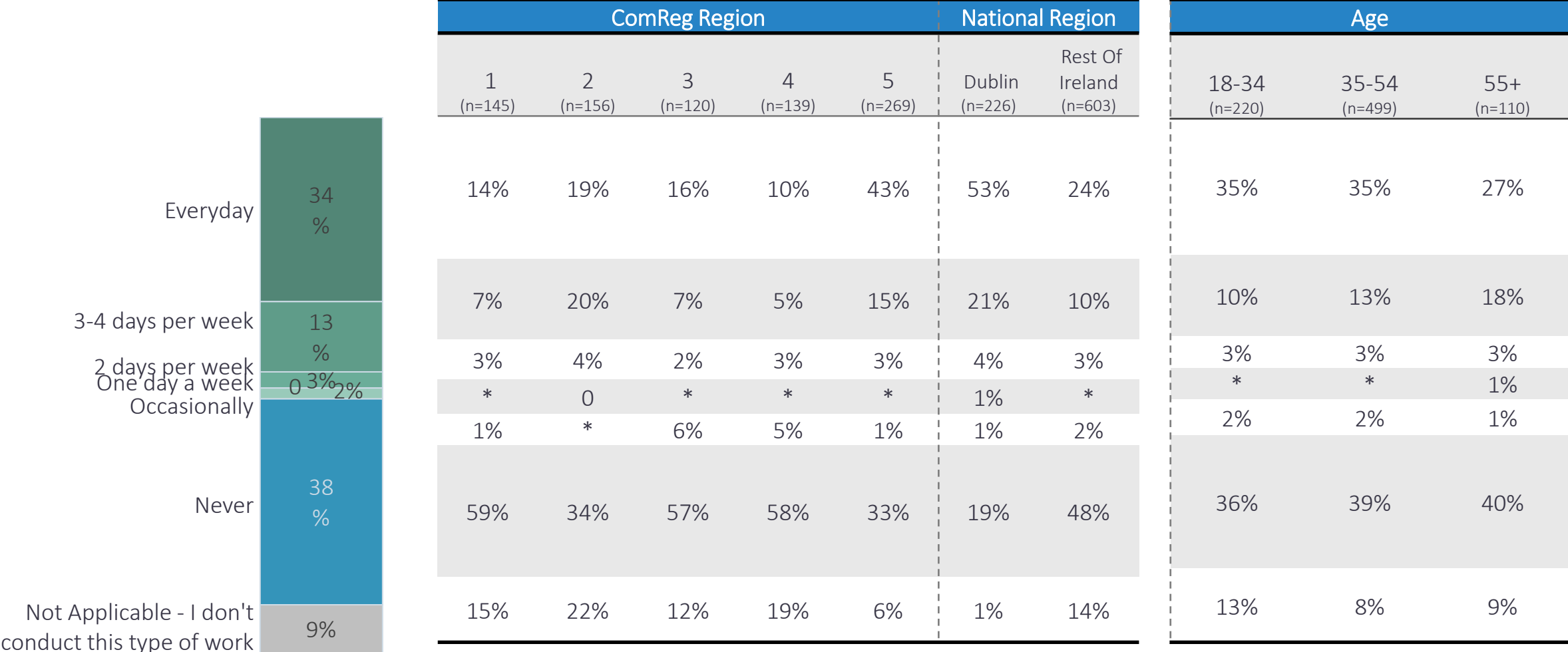


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# Number of days working from home

74% of workers in Dublin are working from home most days



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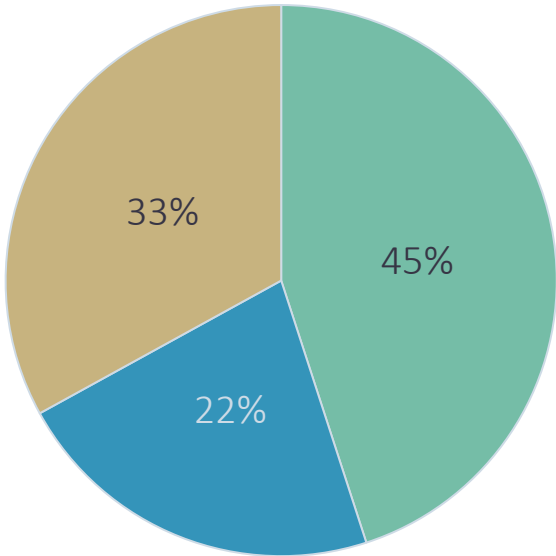
(Base : All Telecoms Decision Makers With Broadband Working Full Or Part Time; n=829)

# Broadband Switching & Faster Broadband Services



# Would household benefit from faster internet broadband connection?

Benefit highest outside Dublin



- Yes
- No
- Don't know

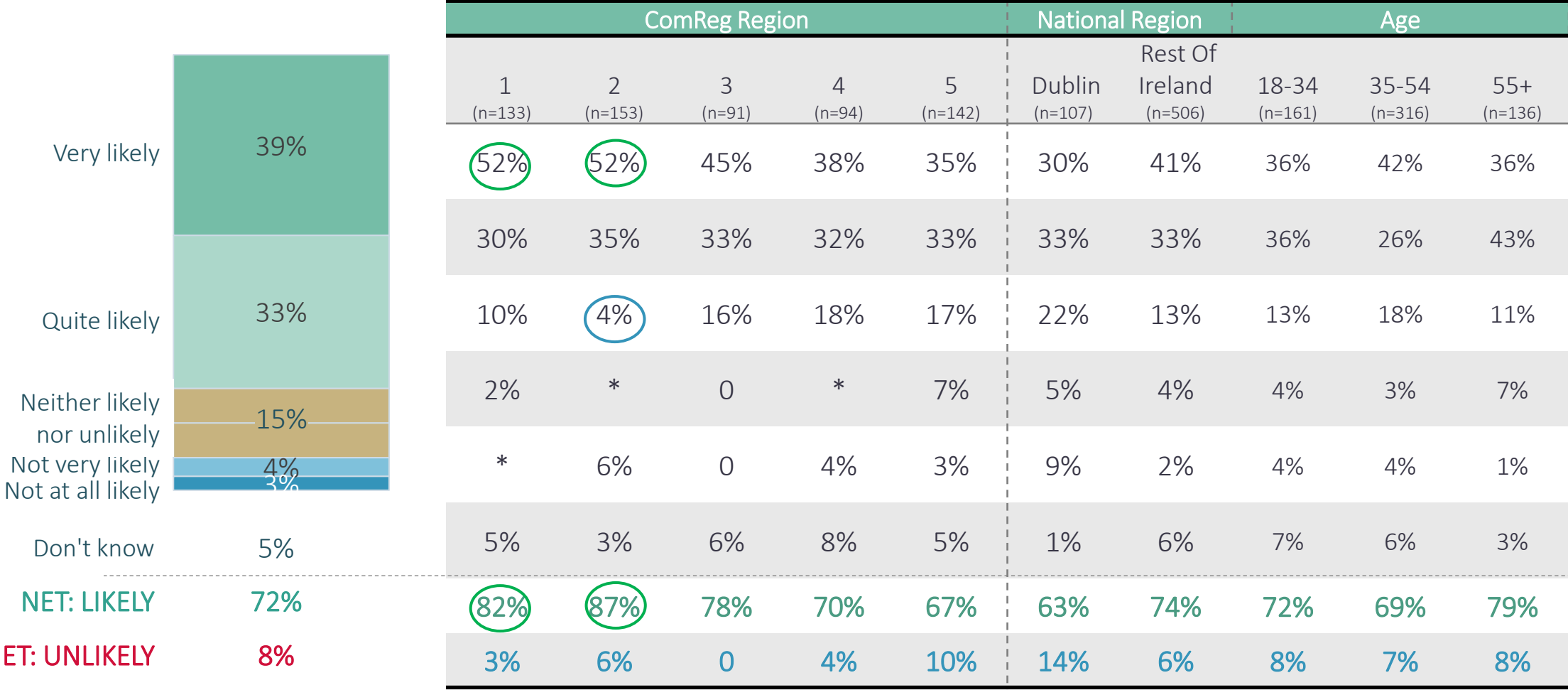
	ComReg Region					National Region		Age		
	1 (n=271)	2 (n=331)	3 (n=232)	4 (n=220)	5 (n=426)	Dublin (n=340)	Rest Of Ireland (n=1,140)	18-34 (n=358)	35-54 (n=672)	55+ (n=450)
Yes	47%	61%	42%	53%	42%	29%	51%	56%	50%	32%
No	20%	17%	30%	14%	22%	21%	22%	18%	15%	32%
Don't know	33%	22%	28%	32%	36%	50%	27%	26%	35%	36%

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(Base : All Telecoms Decision Makers; n=1480)

# Likelihood to take up faster/high speed broadband if available in area

Stronger likelihood of uptake outside of Dublin

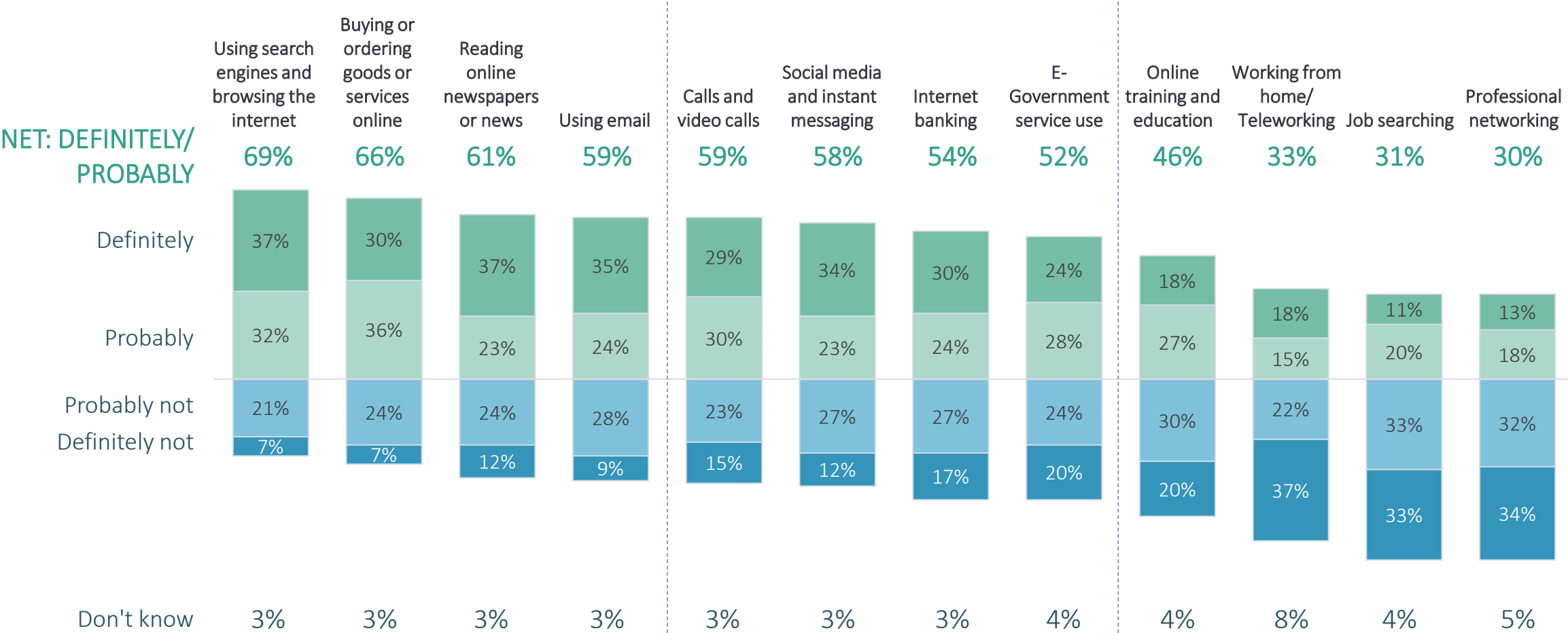


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(Base : All Who Would Benefit From Faster Broadband Connection; n=613)

# Likelihood of using services more as a result of higher broadband speed

Browsing and shopping online most likely to increase



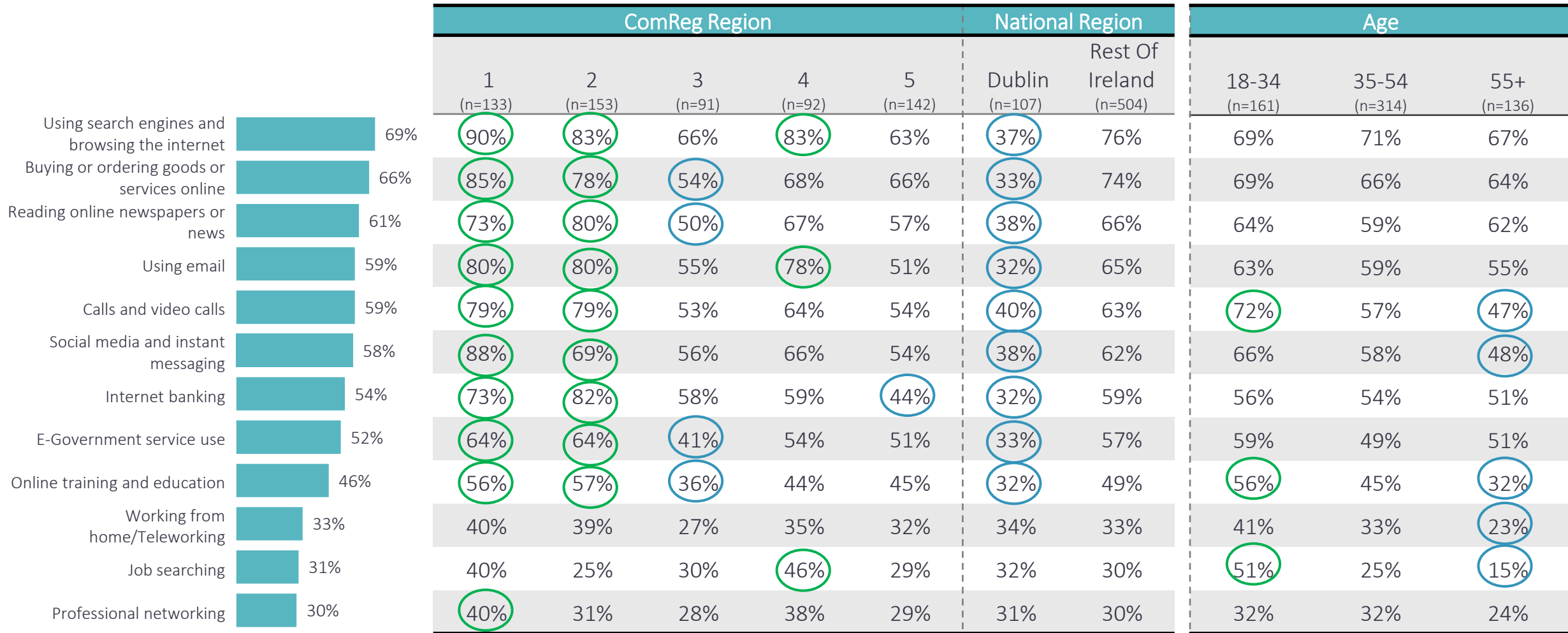
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(Base : All Users Of Any Service Who Would Benefit From Faster Broadband Connection; n=611)



# Likelihood of using services more as a result of higher broadband speed: definitely/probably summary

People outside of Dublin are likely to see increase in service use

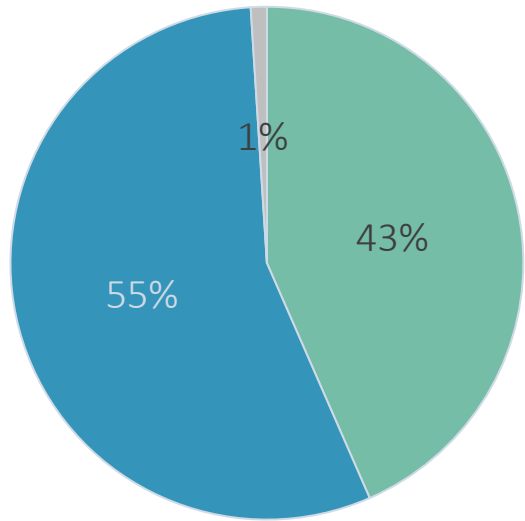


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# Incidence of having ever switched broadband provider

Broadband switching more likely outside of Dublin.



- Yes
- No
- Don't know

ComReg Region					National Region	
1 (n=220)	2 (n=271)	3 (n=192)	4 (n=188)	5 (n=402)	Dublin (n=331)	Rest Of Ireland (n=942)
37%	39%	44%	43%	44%	32%	49%
61%	60%	56%	56%	54%	66%	50%
1%	*	0	1%	2%	2%	1%

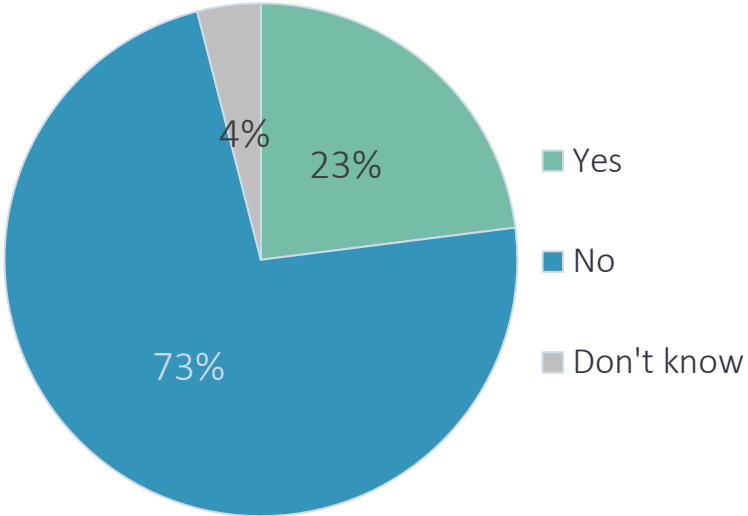
Age		
18-34 (n=334)	35-54 (n=623)	55+ (n=316)
42%	50%	32%
55%	50%	67%
3%	*	1%

(Q.28)

(Base : All Telecoms Decision Makers With Access To Broadband; n=1,273)

# Incidence of ever upgrading broadband service from previous or with current supplier?

Dubliners are less likely to have upgraded their Broadband



ComReg Region					National Region		Age		
1 (n=220)	2 (n=271)	3 (n=192)	4 (n=188)	5 (n=402)	Dublin (n=331)	Rest Of Ireland (n=942)	18-34 (n=334)	35-54 (n=623)	55+ (n=316)
18%	22%	27%	23%	22%	18%	25%	22%	29%	12%
79%	76%	69%	69%	74%	79%	70%	74%	66%	85%
3%	2%	4%	8%	4%	3%	4%	4%	4%	3%

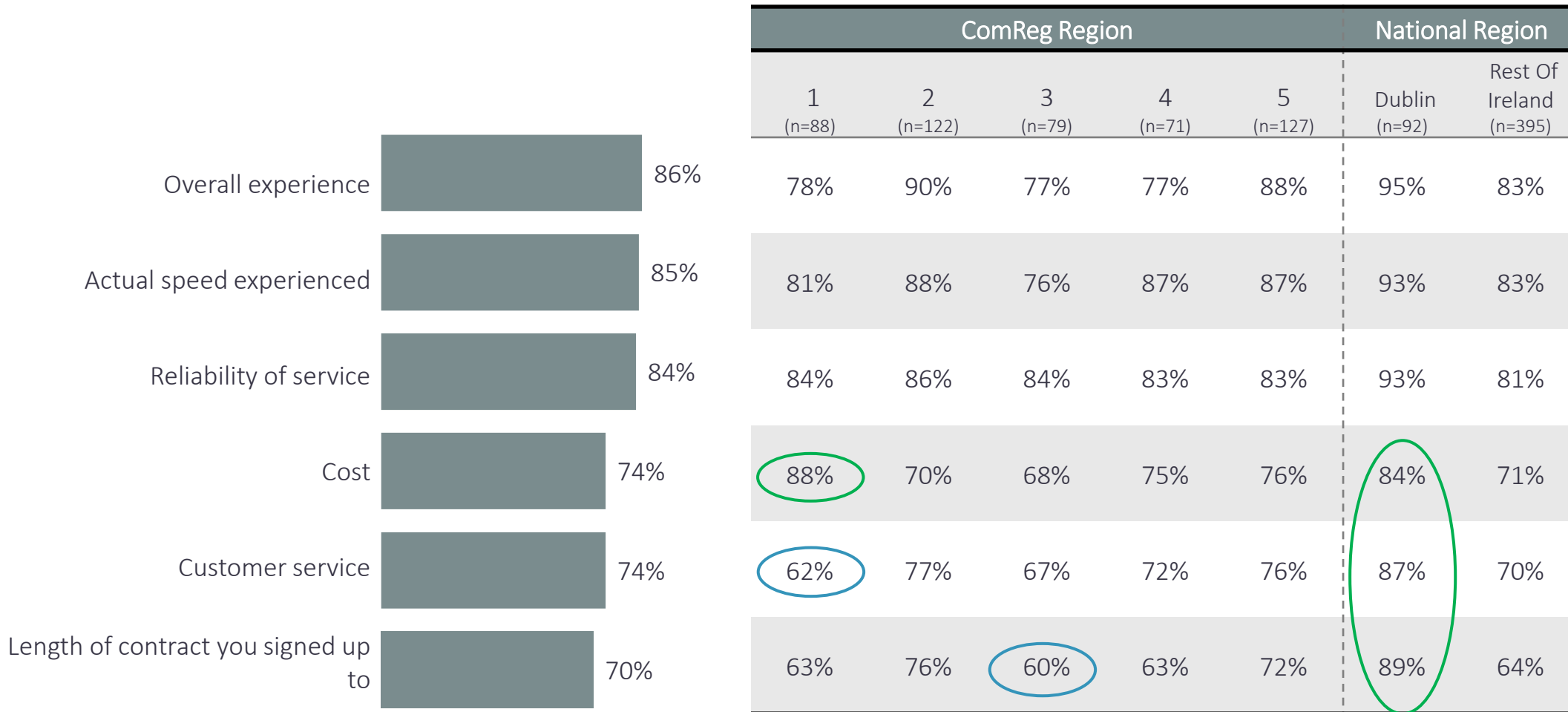
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# Elements of broadband service that improved since switching provider

(regardless of timing of switch)

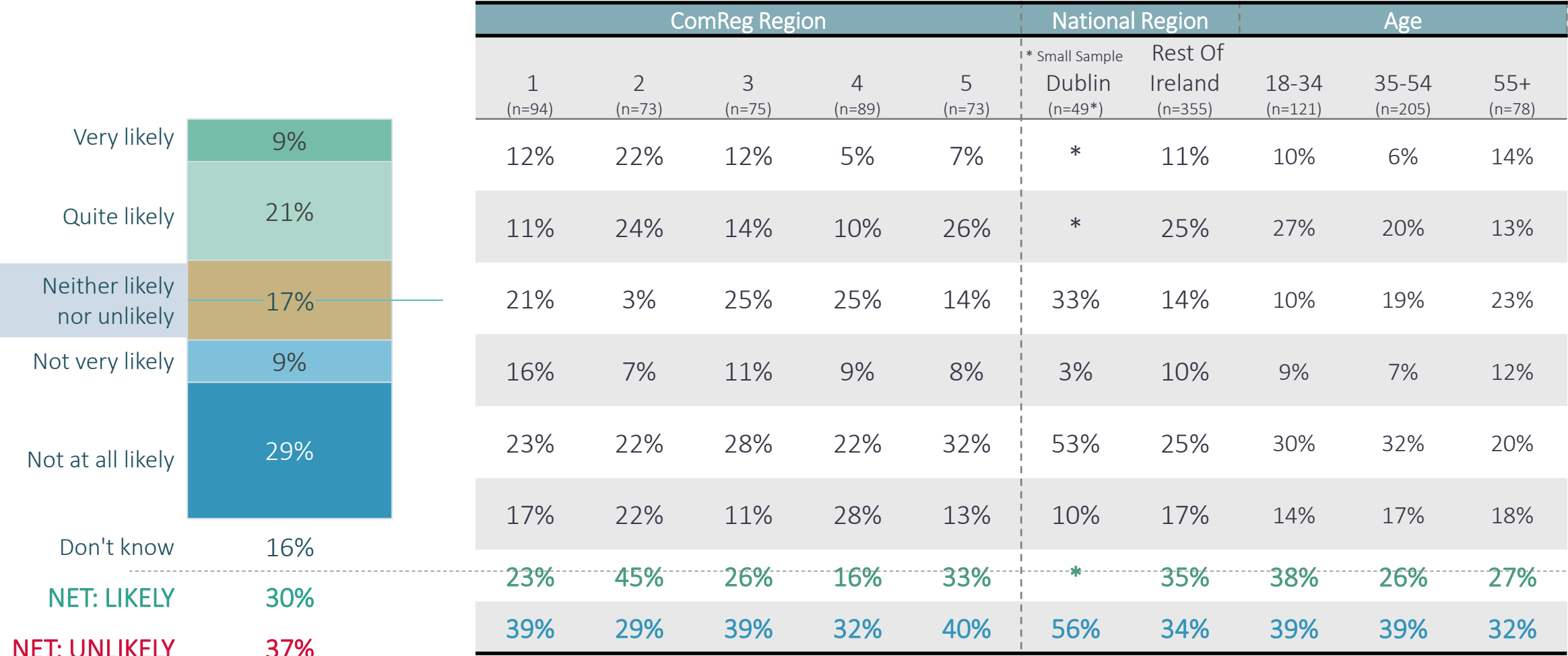
## Dubliners most likely to say elements of Broadband have improved



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(Base : All Telecoms Decision Makers Who Switched Broadband; n=487)

# Likelihood to consider switching broadband in next 12 months (standalone broadband users (out of contract) only)



\*Caution: Small Base Size (Q.38)

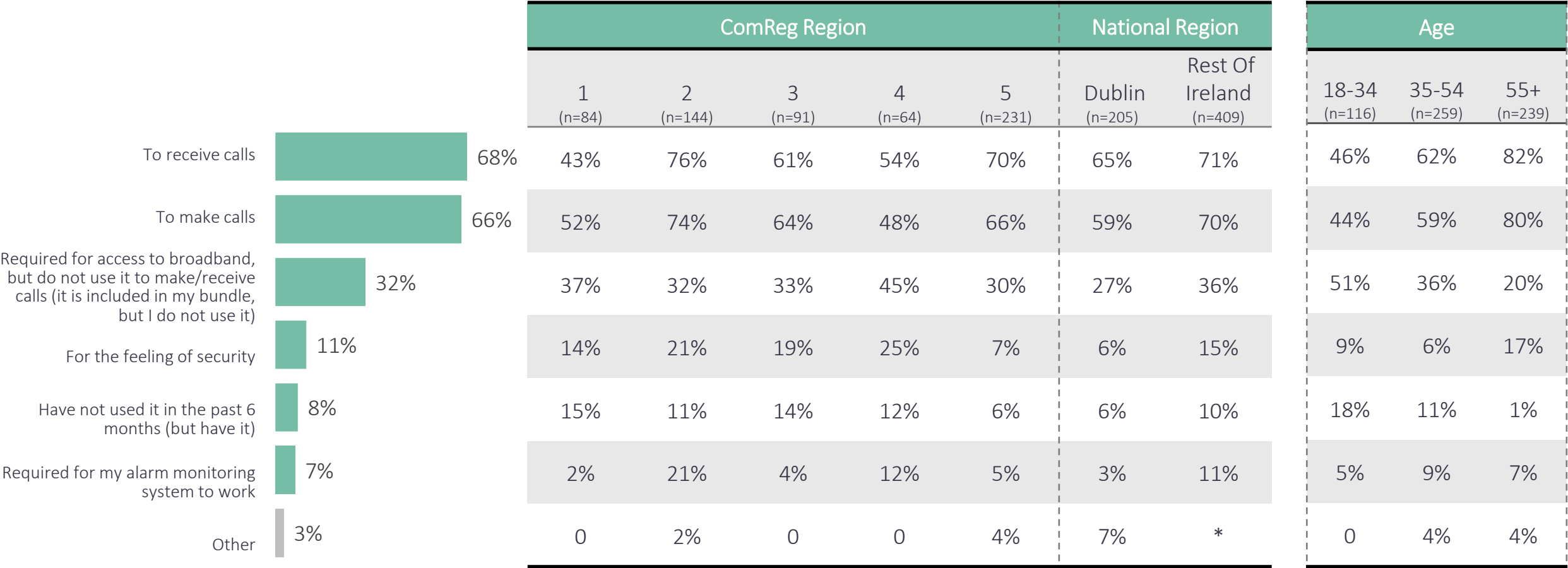
(Base : All Telecoms Decision Makers With Access To Broadband Not As Part Of A Bundle And Not In Contract For Over 12 Months; n=404)

# Landline Section



# Reasons For Using A Landline

Dubliners less likely to make calls or to need landline to get BB

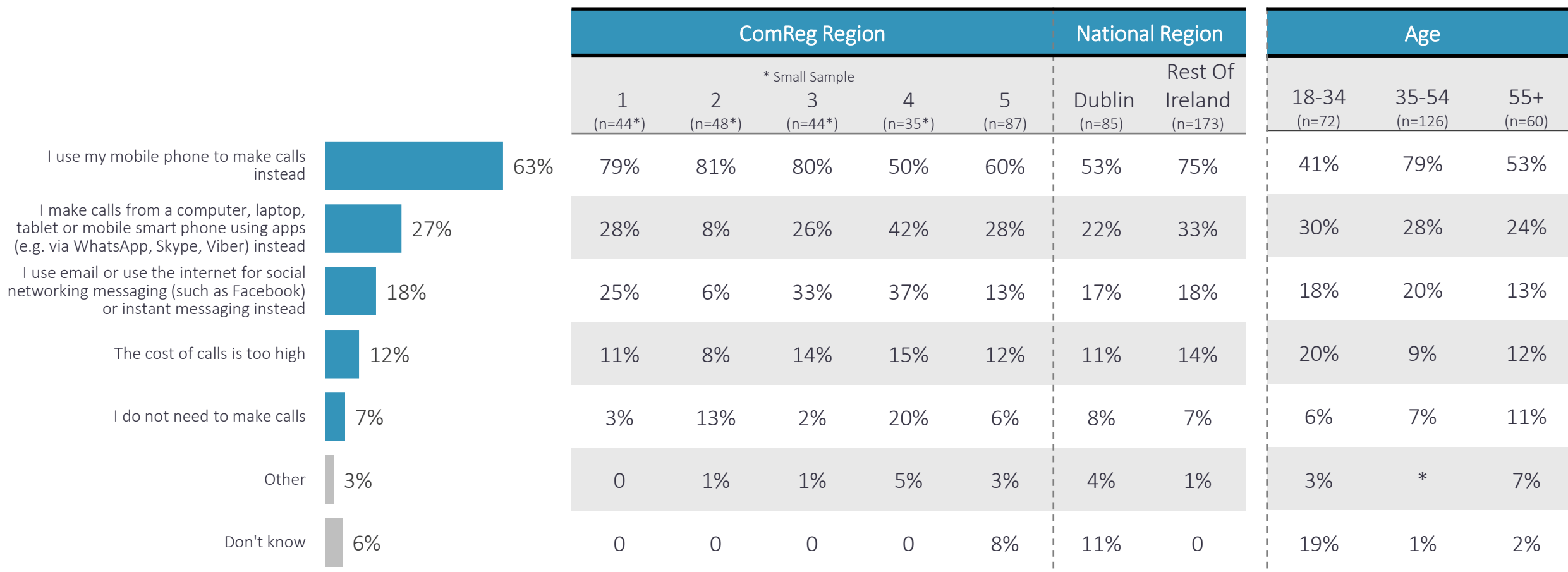


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(Base: All Telecoms Decision Makers Using Fixed Landline; n=614)

# Reasons For Not Using A Landline

Outside of Dublin, using mobile phone instead is most likely



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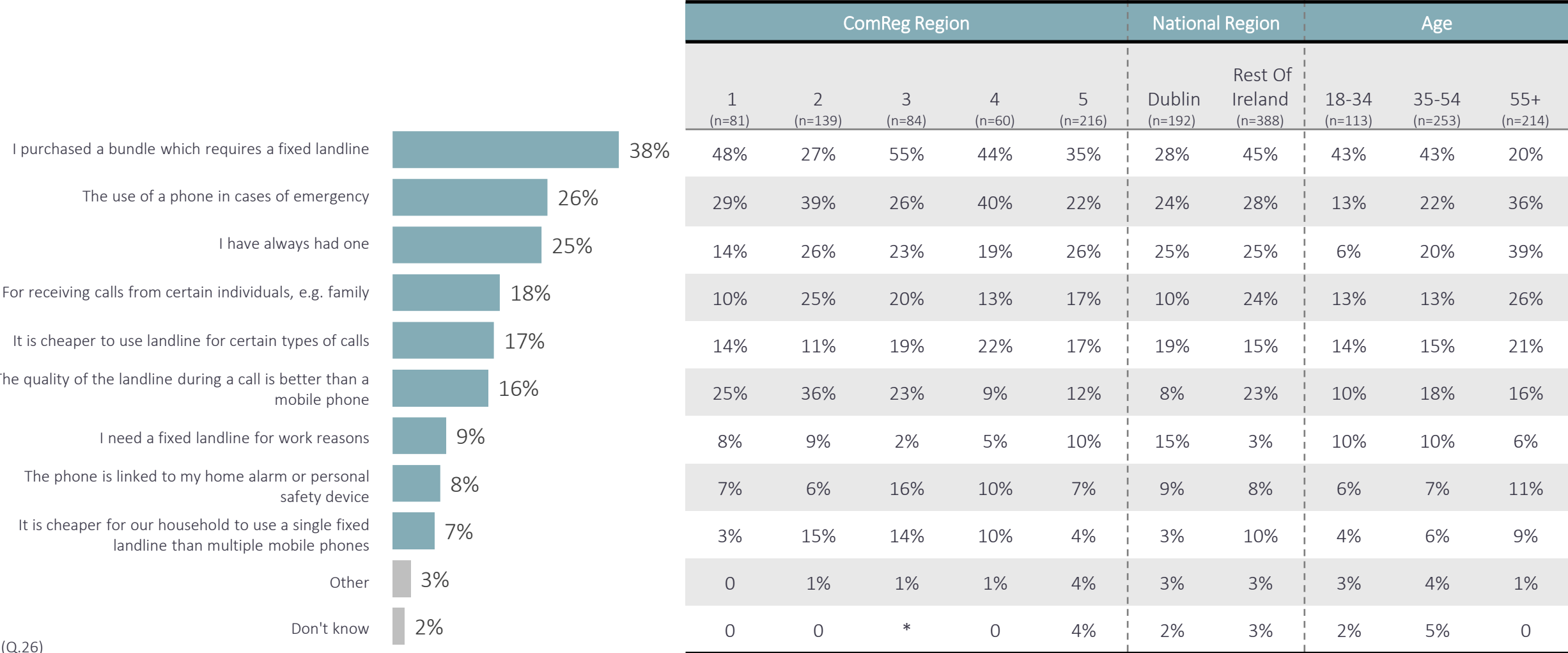
(Base: All Telecoms Decision Makers Not Using Fixed Landline; n=258)



# Reasons for owning a landline AND a mobile phone

## Dubliners less likely to need to take a landline for their bundle

In addition, those outside Dublin also more likely to have landline for receiving calls from certain individuals and because quality of landline is superior to mobile phone during a phone call.



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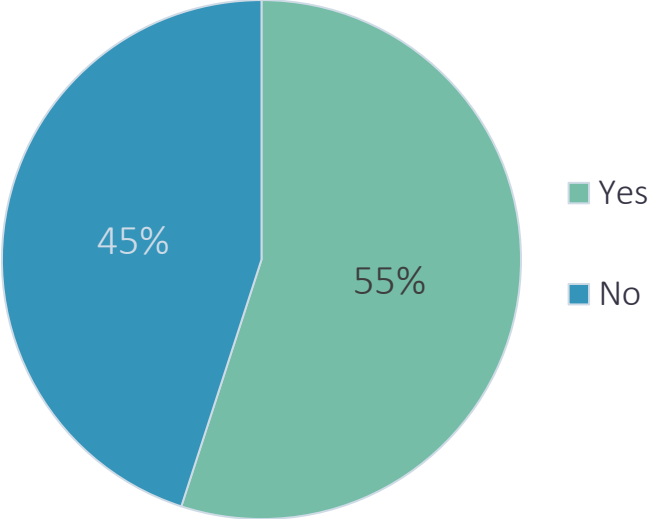
(Base : All Telecoms Decision Makers With Both Fixed Landline & Mobile Phone; n=580)

# Bundles & Contracts



# Bundle ownership

Dubliners significantly more likely to own a bundle.



ComReg Region					National Region	
1 (n=255)	2 (n=301)	3 (n=214)	4 (n=215)	5 (n=415)	Dublin (n=336)	Rest Of Ireland (n=1,064)
41%	51%	31%	41%	63%	78%	45%
59%	49%	69%	55%	37%	22%	54%

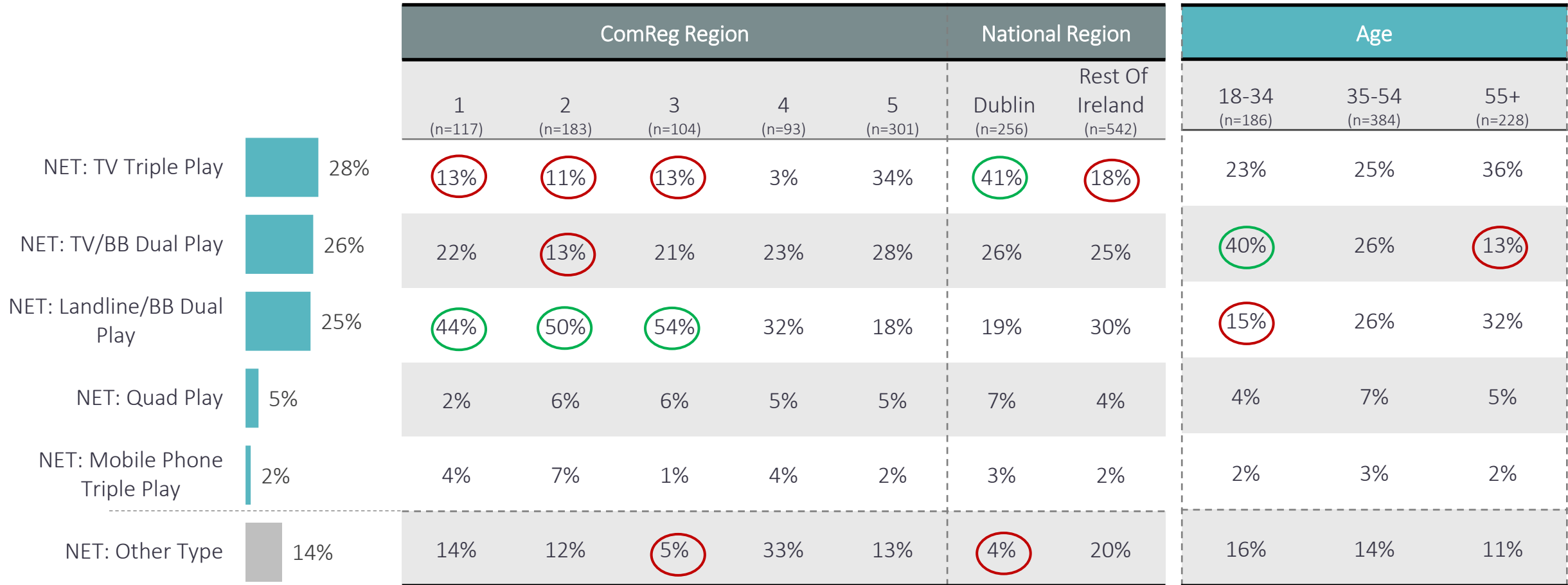
Age		
18-34 (n=345)	35-54 (n=650)	55+ (n=405)
52%	61%	49%
48%	39%	50%

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(Base : All Telecoms Decision Makers; n=1400)

# Type of bundle owned

## TV Triple Play most popular in Dublin

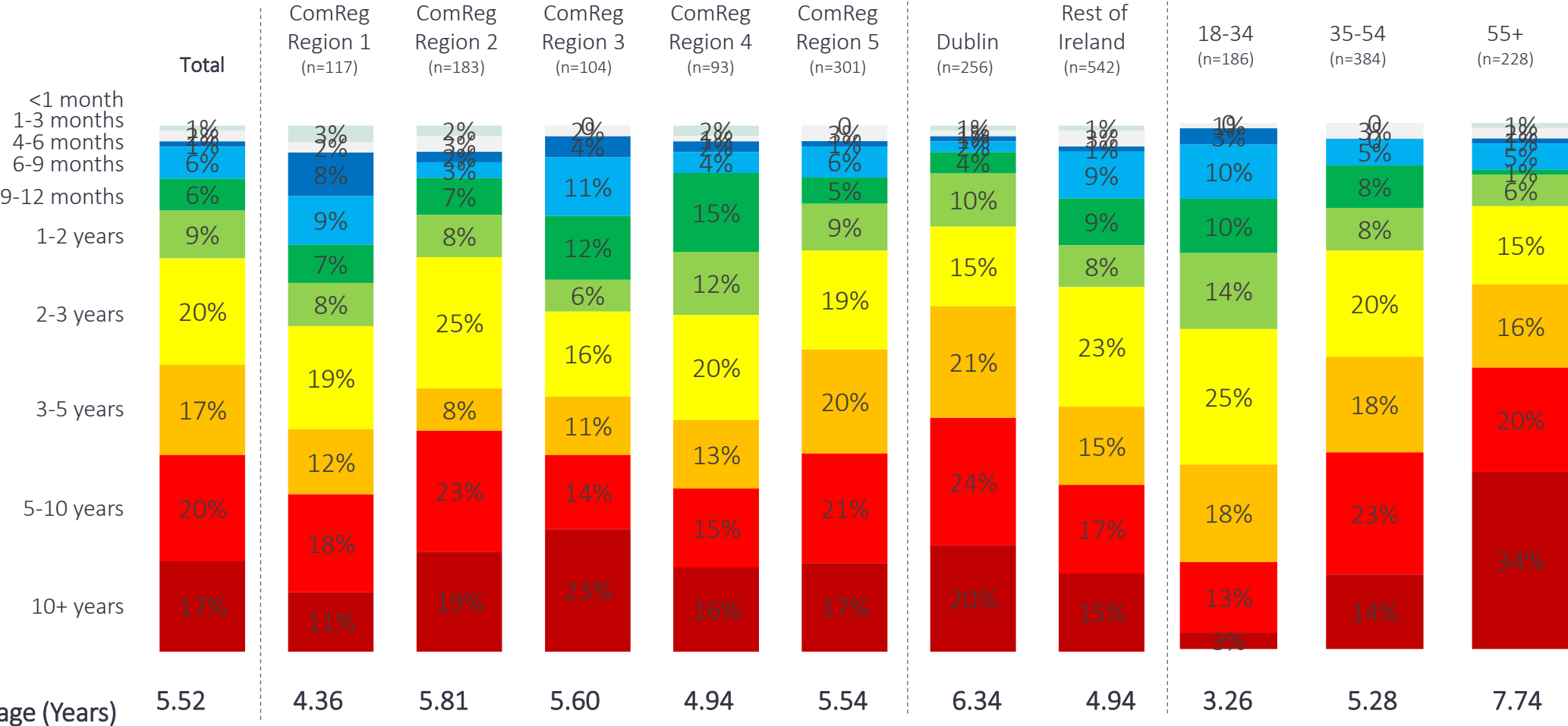


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(Base : All Telecoms Decision Makers With A Bundle; n=798)

# Length of time purchasing current bundle

Those in Dublin more likely to have bundle for 3+ years

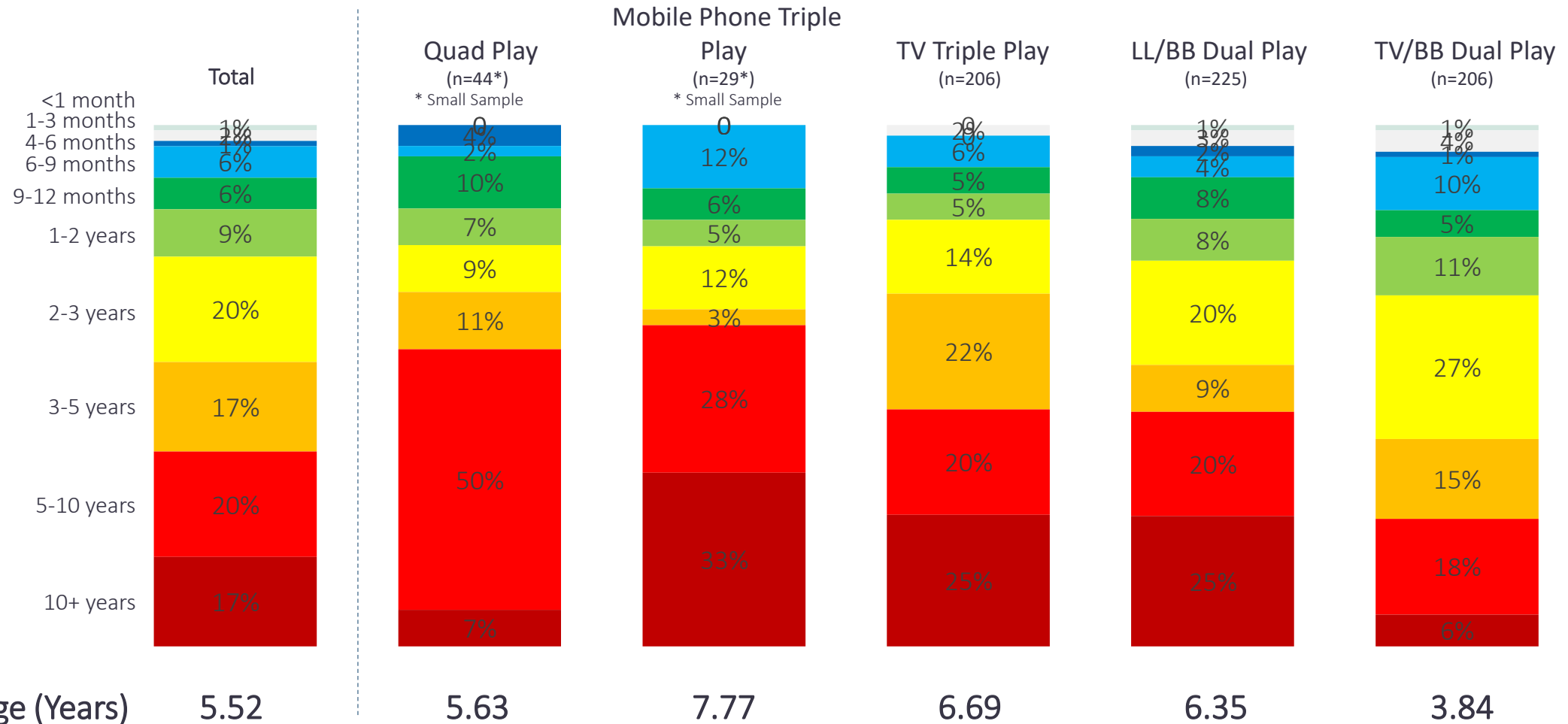


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# Length of time purchasing current bundle

TV/BB Dual Play customers least likely to have bundle for 3+ years

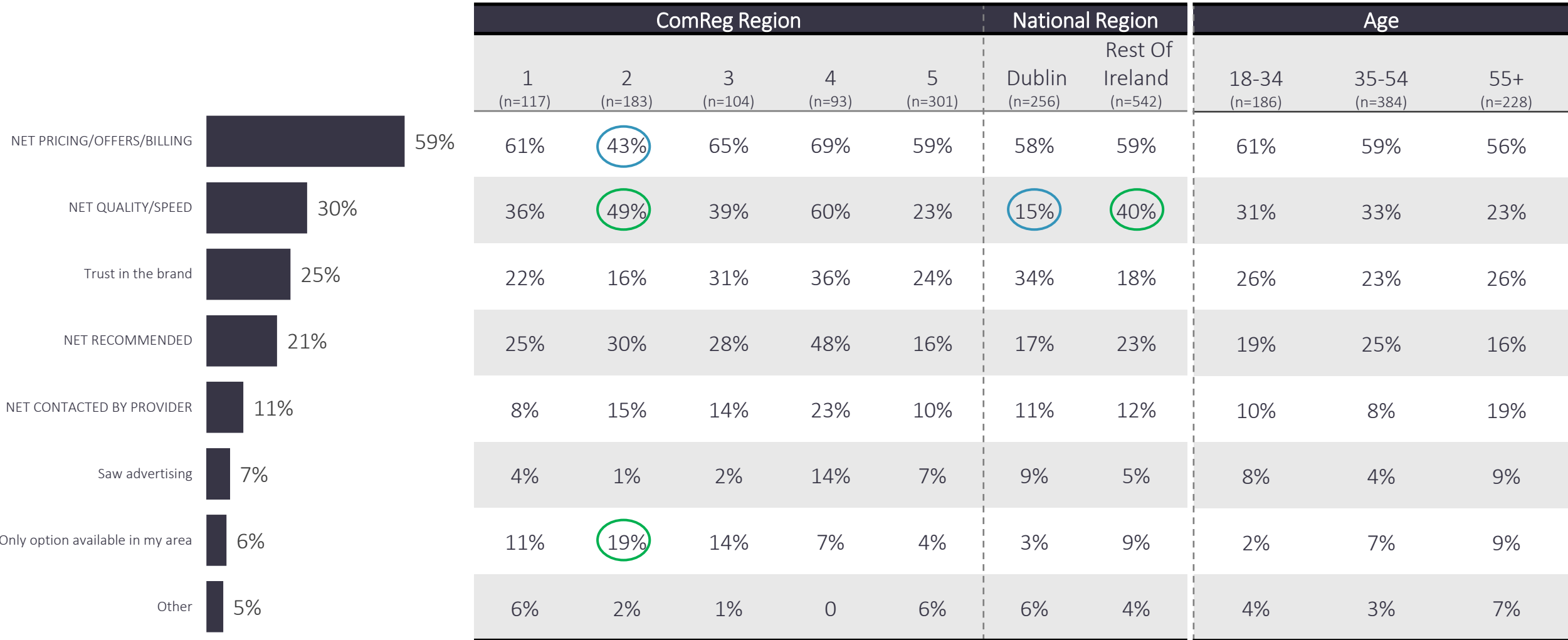


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# Reason for selecting specific bundle

Those outside Dublin more likely to choose due to quality/speed

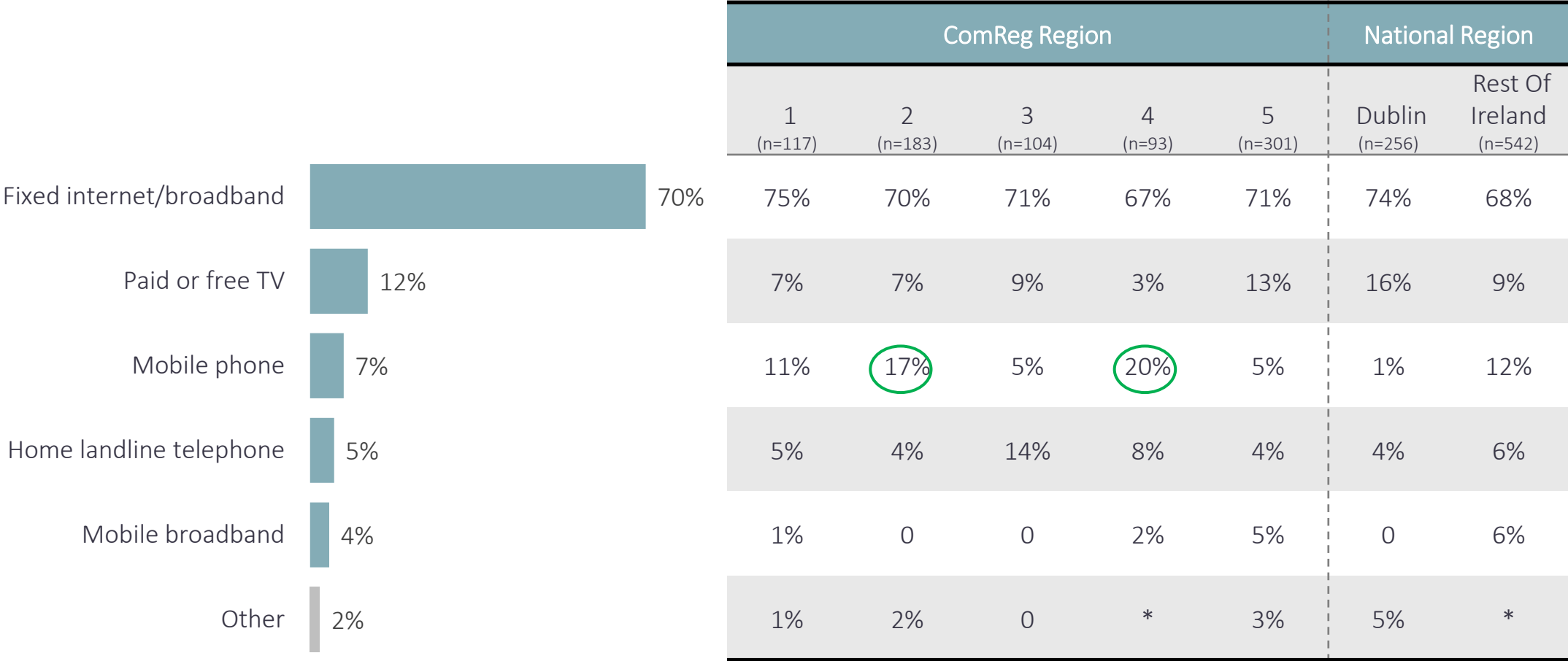


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# Most Important element of bundle

Internet most important across all regions in Ireland



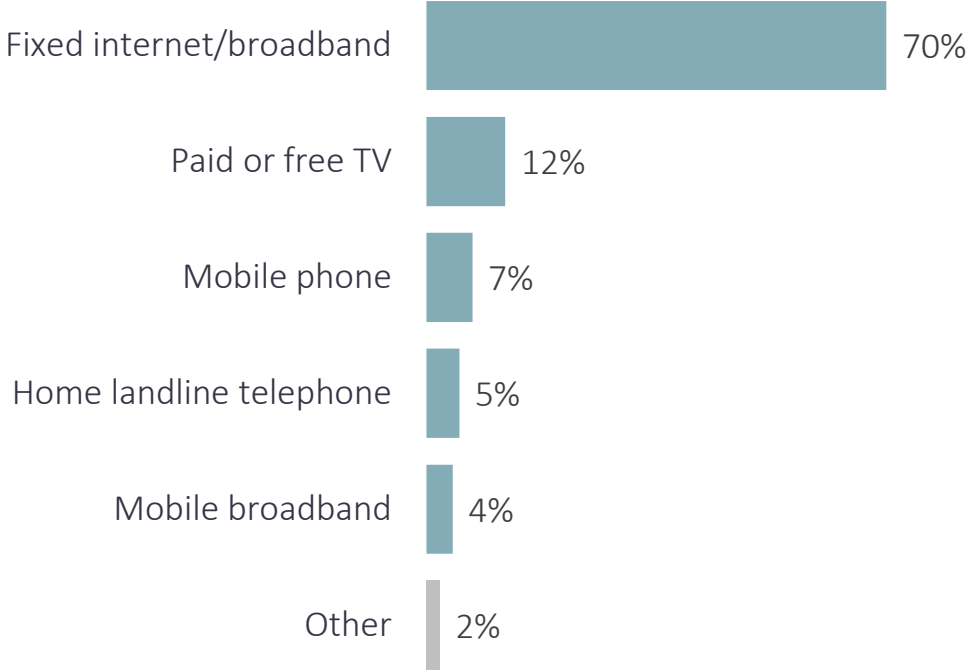
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# Most Important element of bundle

Fixed internet is consistently viewed as most important



	Type Of Bundle		
	TV Triple Play (n=206)	LL/BB Dual Play (n=225)	TV/BB Dual Play (n=206)
Fixed internet/broadband	75%	85%	82%
Paid or free TV	20%	0	17%
Mobile phone	0	0	0
Home landline telephone	3%	13%	0
Mobile broadband	0	0	0
Other	2%	2%	1%

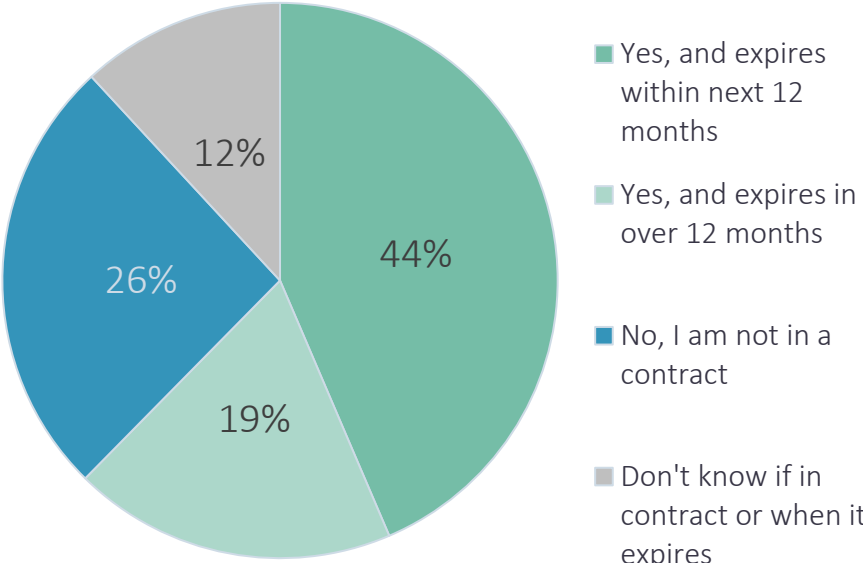
	Age		
	18-34 (n=186)	35-54 (n=384)	55+ (n=228)
Fixed internet/broadband	75%	79%	51%
Paid or free TV	10%	7%	21%
Mobile phone	3%	9%	8%
Home landline telephone	1%	1%	15%
Mobile broadband	9%	3%	0
Other	2%	1%	4%

(Q.15)  
 (Base : All Telecoms Decision Makers With A Bundle; n=798)

# Currently in a bundle contract

## Those outside Dublin most likely to be in contract

Dubliners are more likely to either not be in contract or be in a long term contract which expires in over 12 months.



ANY YES – 62%

ANY YES

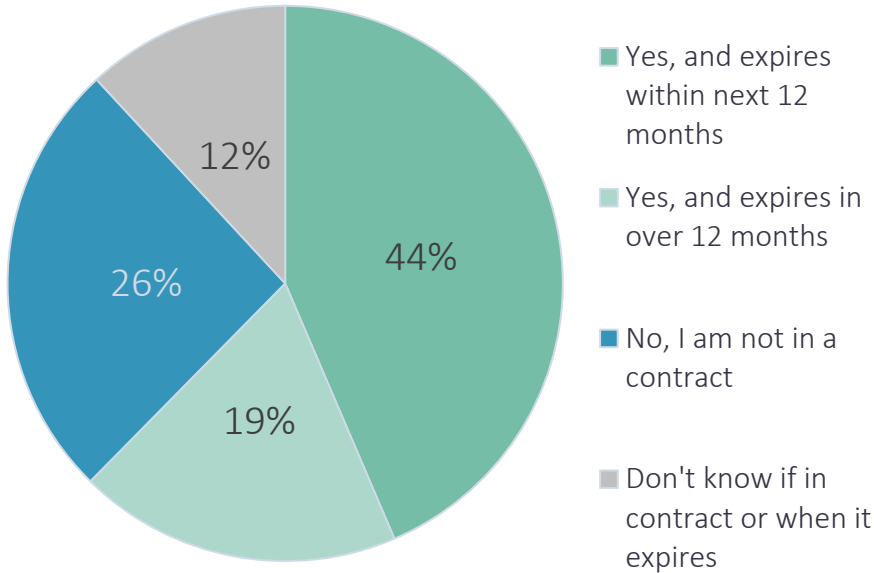
ComReg Region					National Region	
1 (n=117)	2 (n=183)	3 (n=104)	4 (n=93)	5 (n=301)	Dublin (n=256)	Rest Of Ireland (n=542)
68%	56%	68%	70%	36%	24%	57%
6%	24%	5%	8%	21%	30%	11%
16%	16%	16%	11%	30%	38%	18%
10%	4%	12%	11%	13%	8%	14%
74%	80%	72%	78%	57%	54%	68%

(Q.20b)  
(Base All Telecoms Decision Makers With A Bundle; n=798)

# Currently in a bundle contract

## LL/BB and TV/BB dual play owners most likely to be in contract

There is a higher proportion of TV triple play owners either out of contract or in contract for more than 12 months.



ANY YES – 62%

ANY YES

Type Of Bundle		
TV Triple Play (n=206)	LL/BB Dual Play (n=225)	TV/BB Dual Play (n=206)
36%	53%	53%
25%	13%	17%
35%	22%	20%
4%	11%	10%
<b>61%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>71%</b>

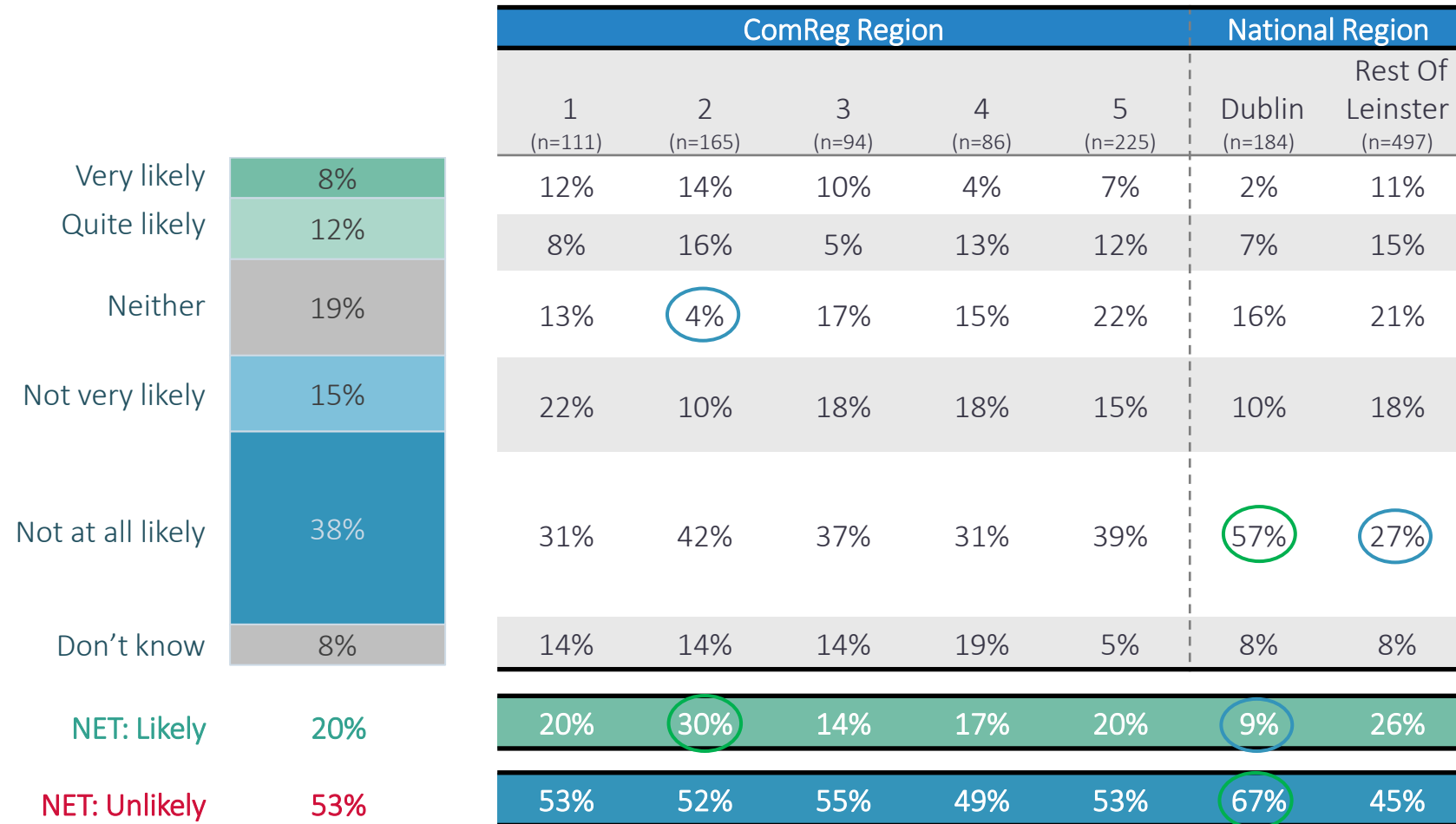
Age		
18-34 (n=186)	35-54 (n=384)	55+ (n=228)
55%	46%	30%
20%	16%	21%
16%	25%	37%
9%	13%	11%
<b>76%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>52%</b>

(Q.20b)

(Base All Telecoms Decision Makers With A Bundle; n=798)

# Likelihood to consider switching bundle in next 12 months (out of contract only)

Switch likelihood is almost 3 times higher outside of Dublin

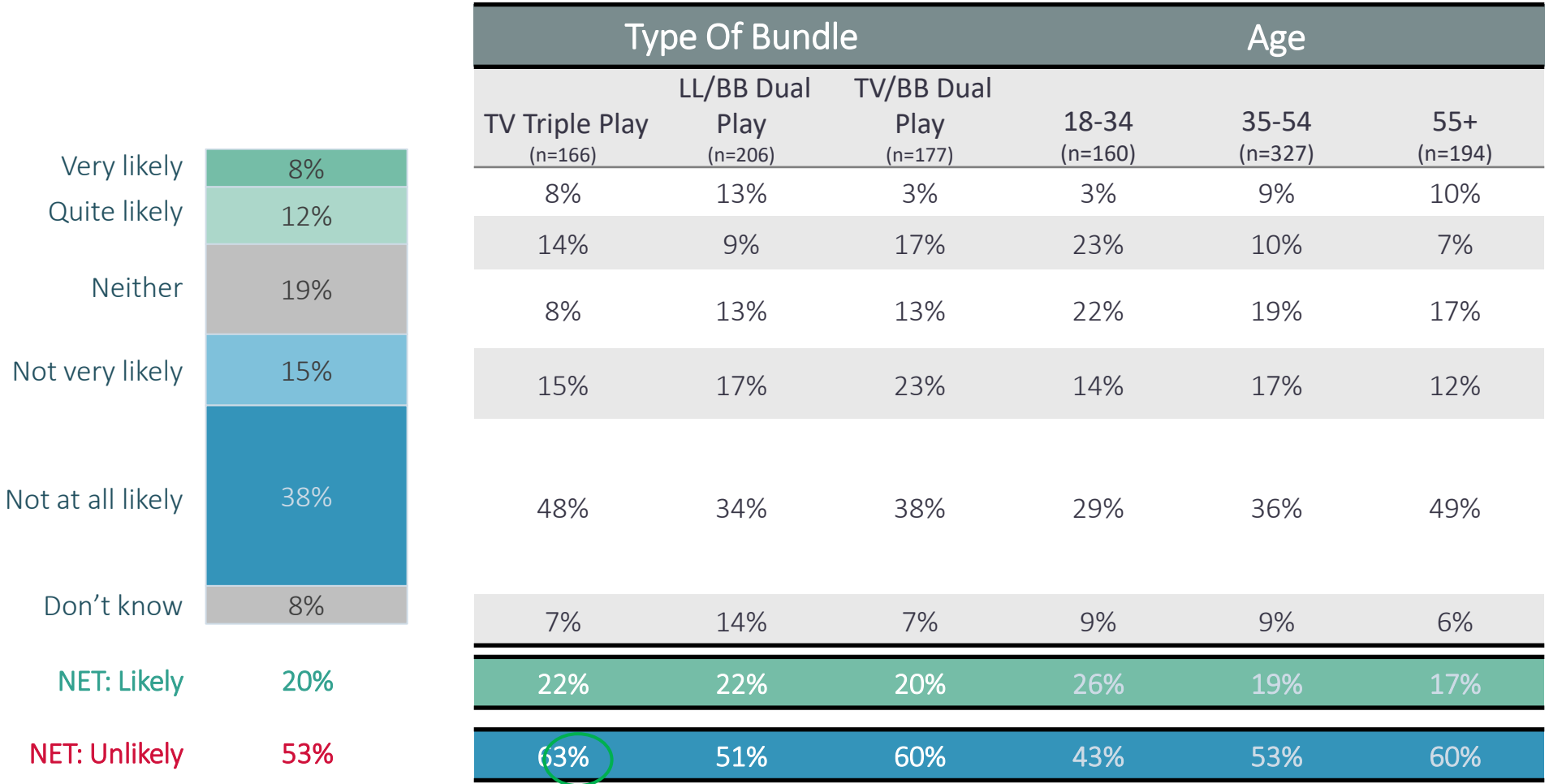


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(Base : All Telecoms Decision Makers Who Own A Bundle And Not In Contract For Over 12 Months; n=681)

# Likelihood to consider switching bundle in next 12 months (out of contract only)

Limited difference in switch intention by bundle currently held

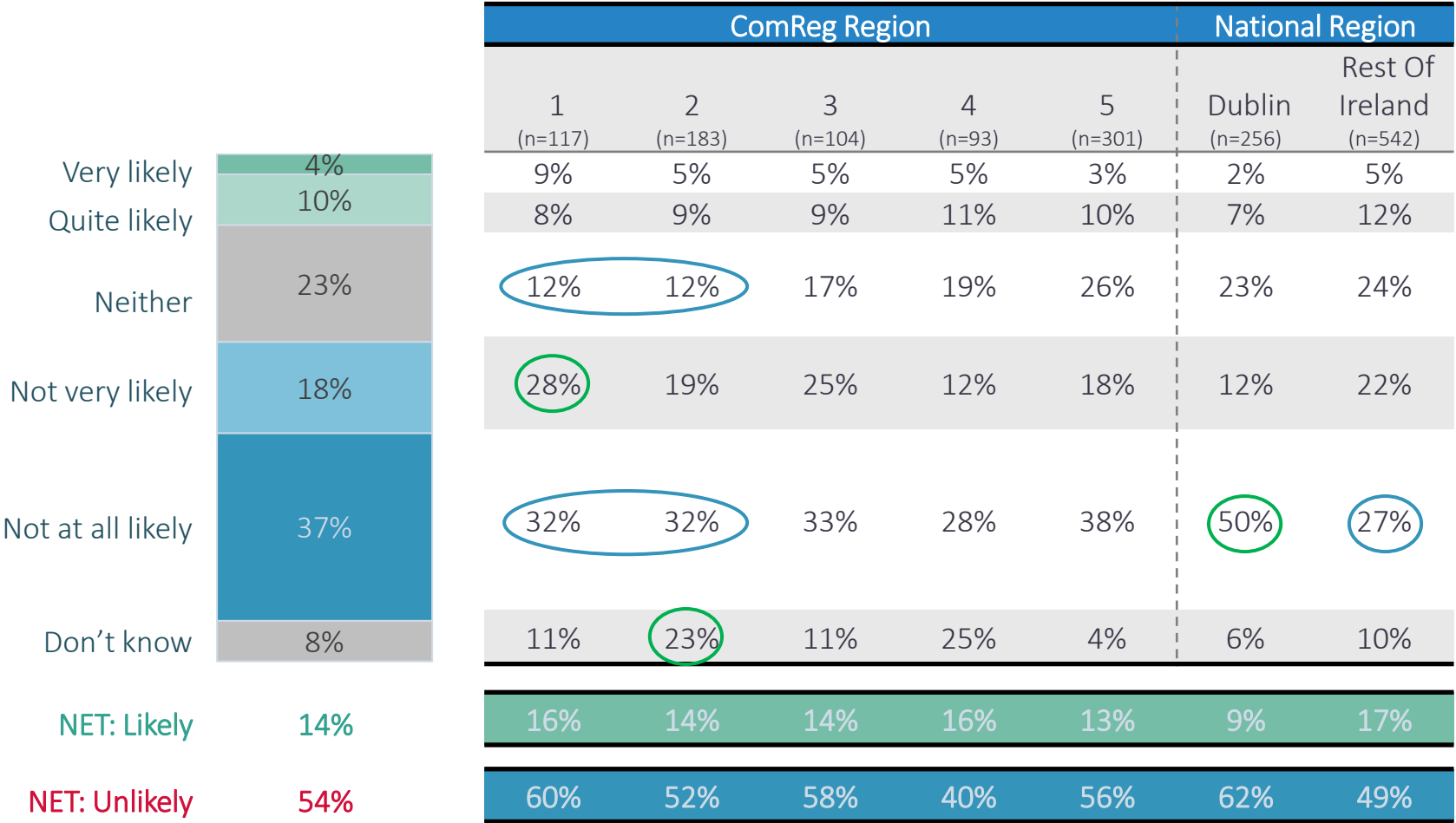


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# Likelihood to consider buying a different bundle in next 12 months

## Dubliners less likely to consider different set of services

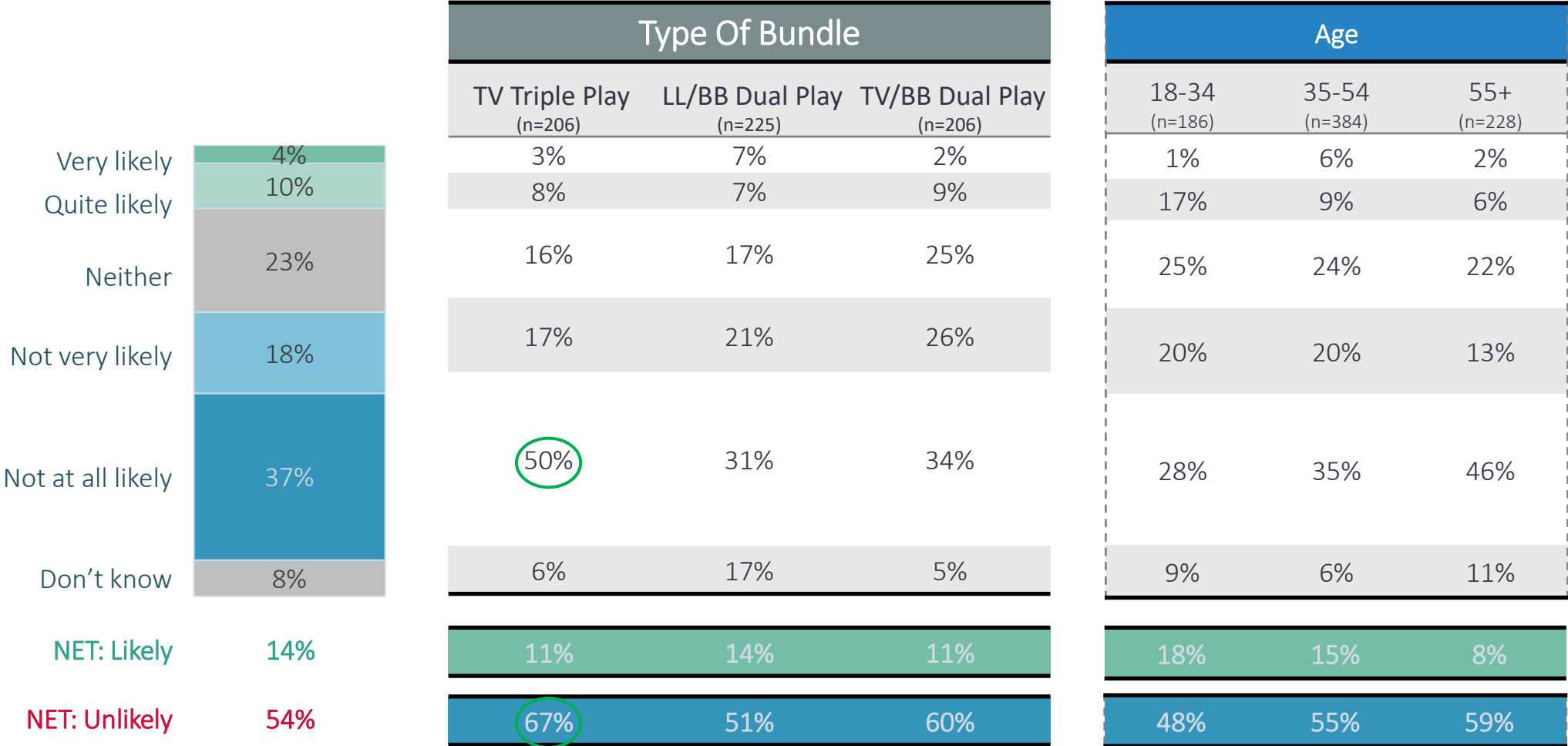


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# Likelihood to consider buying a different bundle in next 12 months

Those with TV Triple Play or TV/BB unlikely to consider new services



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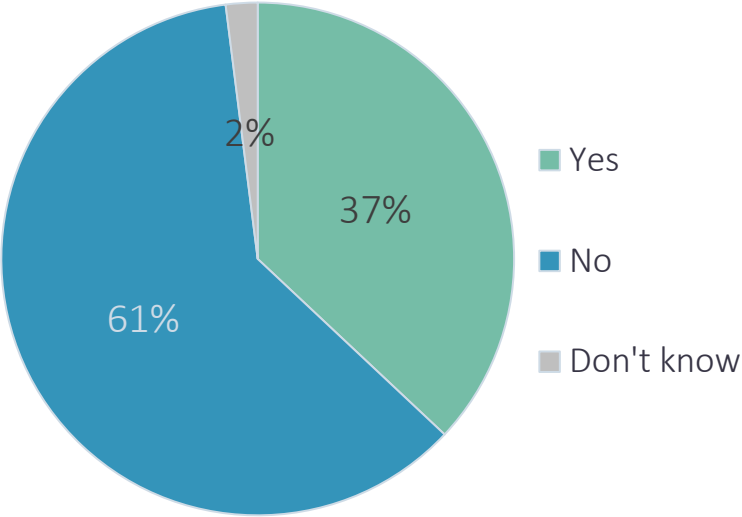
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# Previous Bundle Purchase





# Previously purchased a bundle with different supplier



ComReg Region					National Region		Age		
1 (n=117)	2 (n=183)	3 (n=104)	4 (n=93)	5 (n=301)	Dublin (n=256)	Rest Of Ireland (n=542)	18-34 (n=186)	35-54 (n=384)	55+ (n=228)
50%	34%	32%	27%	39%	36%	38%	43%	38%	32%
49%	66%	68%	72%	59%	62%	61%	55%	60%	67%
1%	0	0	1%	2%	3%	1%	2%	2%	1%

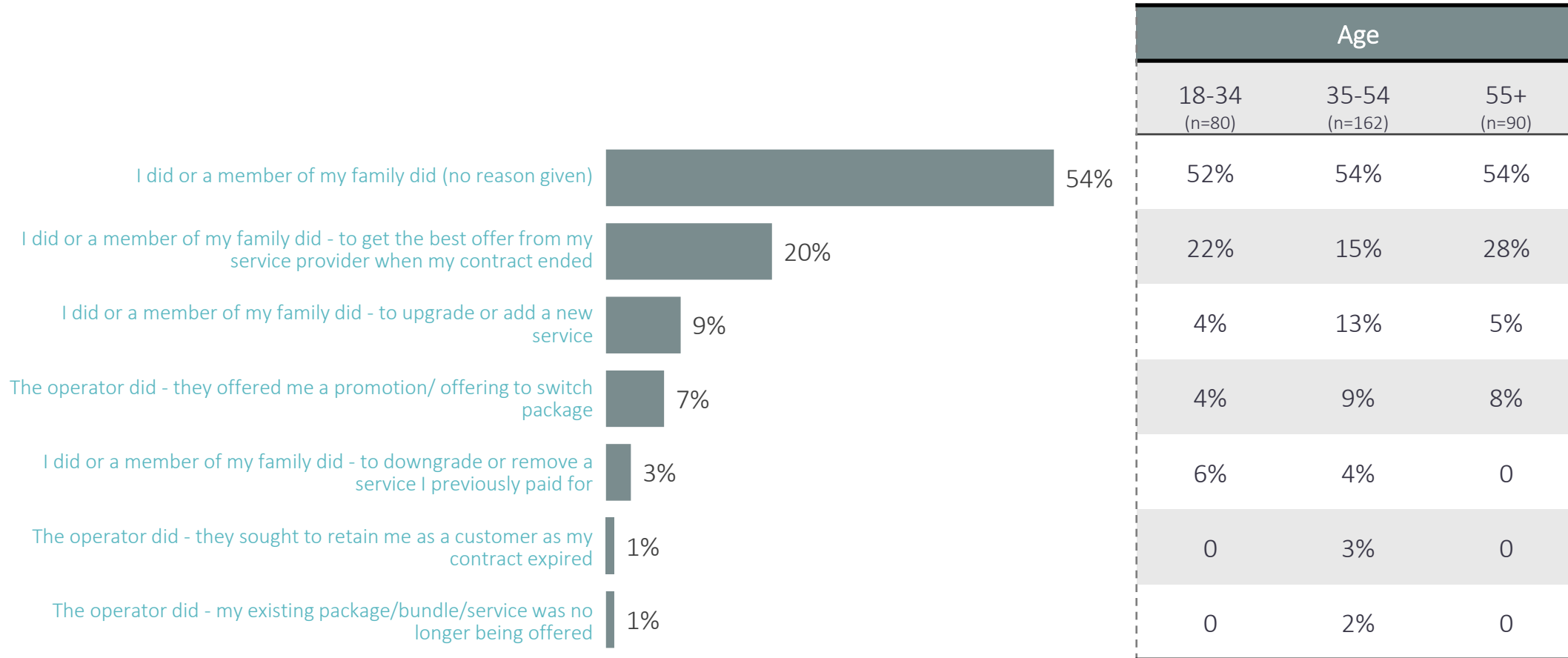
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# Who started the discussion to switch bundle?

## 55+ most likely to mention getting best deal when contract ended

Vast majority of cases, switching bundles was customer led.



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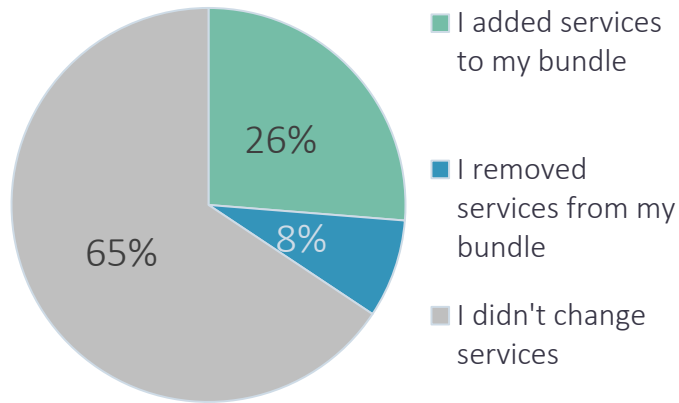
(Base : All Telecoms Decision Makers Who Changed From An Old To A New Bundle; n=332)

# Changed services or not when switched

Those in Dublin least likely to have added a service

\*Caution: Small Base Size  
(Q.17a)

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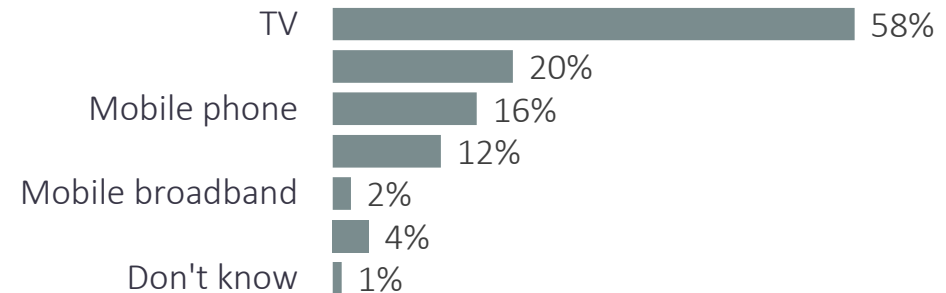


ComReg Region					National Region		Age		
1 (n=60)	2 (n=84)	3 (n=44*)	4 (n=32*)	5 (n=112)	Dublin (n=89)	Rest Of Ireland (n=243)	18-34 (n=80)	35-54 (n=162)	55+ (n=90)
32%	31%	23%	38%	25%	19%	31%	38%	25%	15%
5%	11%	20%	1%	8%	7%	9%	4%	14%	1%
63%	57%	57%	60%	67%	74%	59%	58%	60%	83%

## Services added to bundle

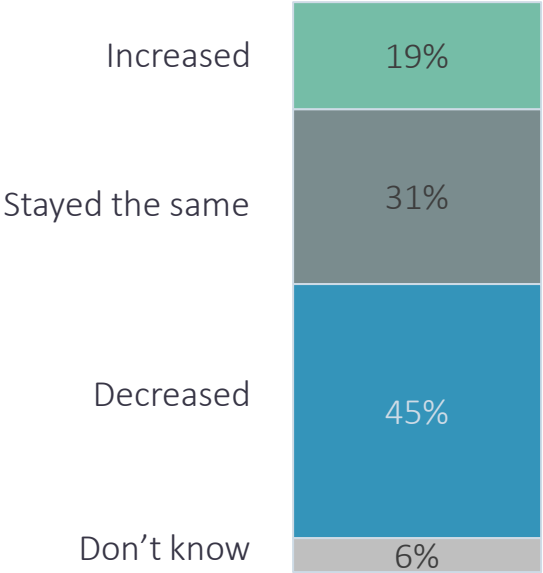
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(Base : All Telecom Decision Makers Who Added A Service When They Switched Bundles; n=95)



# Change in monthly bill moving from previous to current bundle supplier?

Those outside Dublin more likely to have monthly bill reduced



ComReg Region					National Region	
1 (n=60)	2 (n=84)	3 (n=44*)	4 (n=32*)	5 (n=112)	Dublin (n=89)	Rest Of Ireland (n=243)
19%	21%	12%	20%	19%	20%	18%
32%	16%	16%	42%	33%	53%	16%
45%	59%	70%	36%	42%	21%	61%
3%	4%	1%	2%	6%	6%	6%

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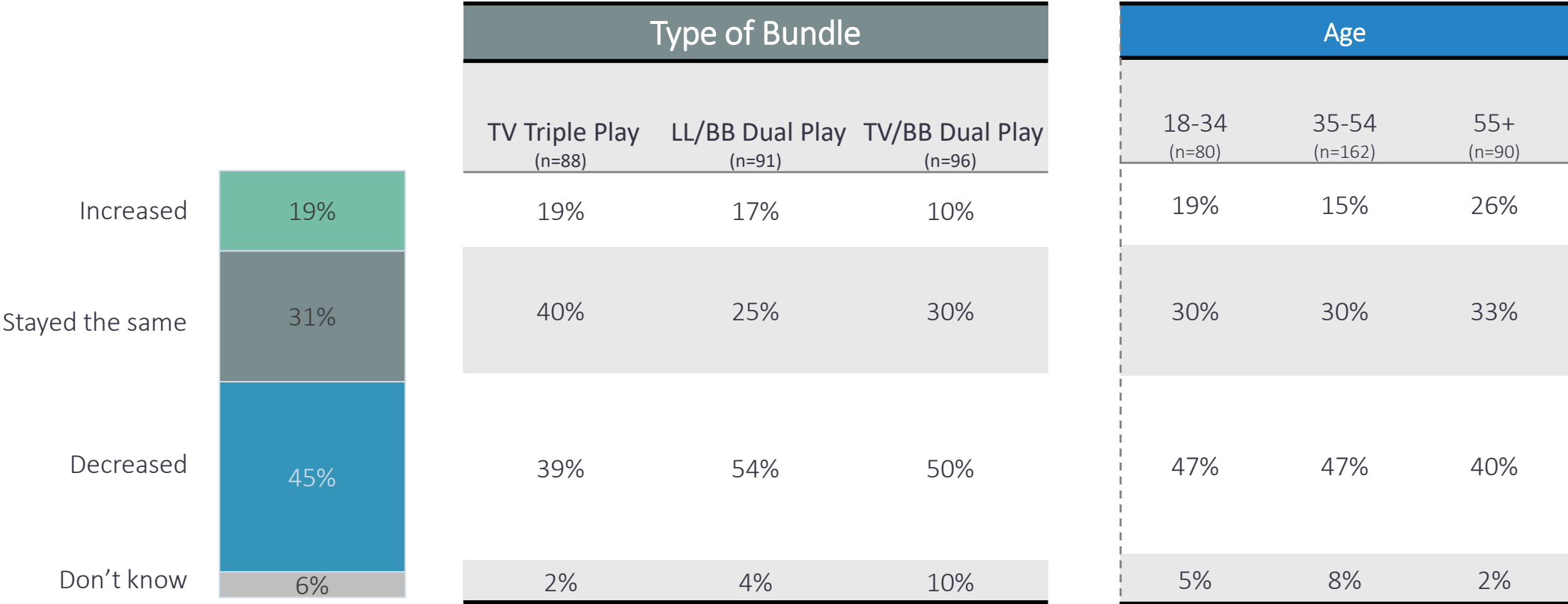
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# Change in monthly bill when switching bundle

## TV Triple Play bundle owners less likely to have seen decreased bill

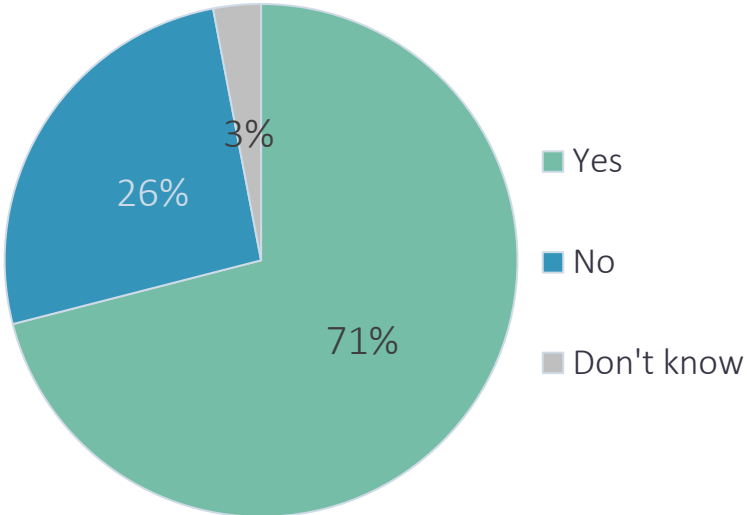
Half of current dual play bundle holders had a decreased monthly bill when they switched from old to new bundle.



(Q.18)

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# Incidence of comparing bundles in market before switching?



ComReg Region					National Region	
1 (n=60)	2 (n=84)	3 (n=44*)	4 (n=32*)	5 (n=112)	Dublin (n=89)	Rest Of Ireland (n=243)
* Small Sample						
58%	77%	65%	37%	73%	72%	70%
35%	18%	35%	56%	24%	23%	28%
7%	5%	0	7%	3%	5%	2%

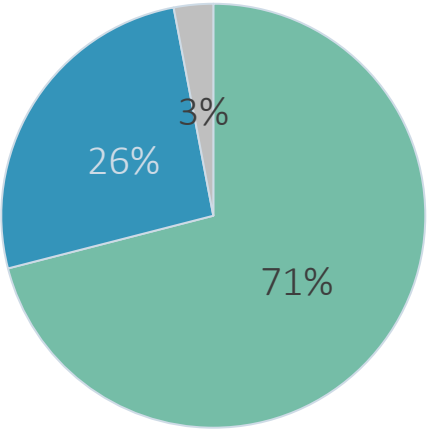
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# Incidence of bundle comparison before switching

TV Triple Play customers most likely to have compared bundles



- Yes
- No
- Don't know

	Type Of Bundle					Age		
	* Small Sample Quad Play (n=16*)	Mobile Phone Triple Play (n=14*)	TV Triple Play (n=88)	LL/BB Dual Play (n=91)	TV/BB Dual Play (n=96)	18-34 (n=80)	35-54 (n=162)	55+ (n=90)
Yes	83%	51%	87%	70%	63%	70%	68%	78%
No	17%	49%	9%	29%	33%	24%	30%	20%
Don't know	0	0	4%	1%	3%	6%	2%	2%

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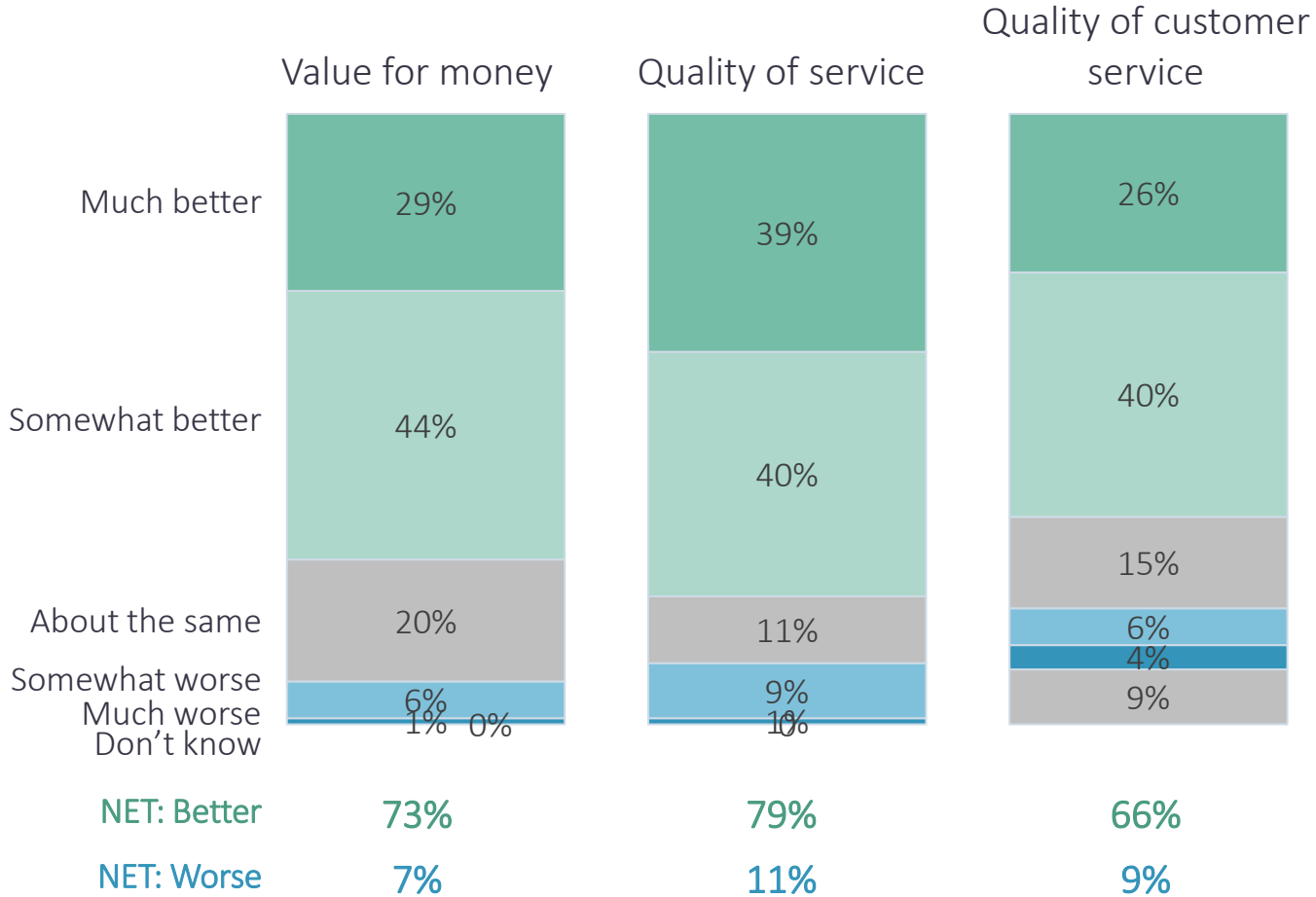
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# How has experience changed since switched to current bundle...

## Most customers are happy that value and service has improved

73% say VFM is better since switching while 79% say they now have better quality service. 66% also say the quality of customer service is better since changing bundle.



(Q.20)

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# TV Services



# Usage of TV services

## Usage of Sky, Netflix, and catch up players highest outside Dublin

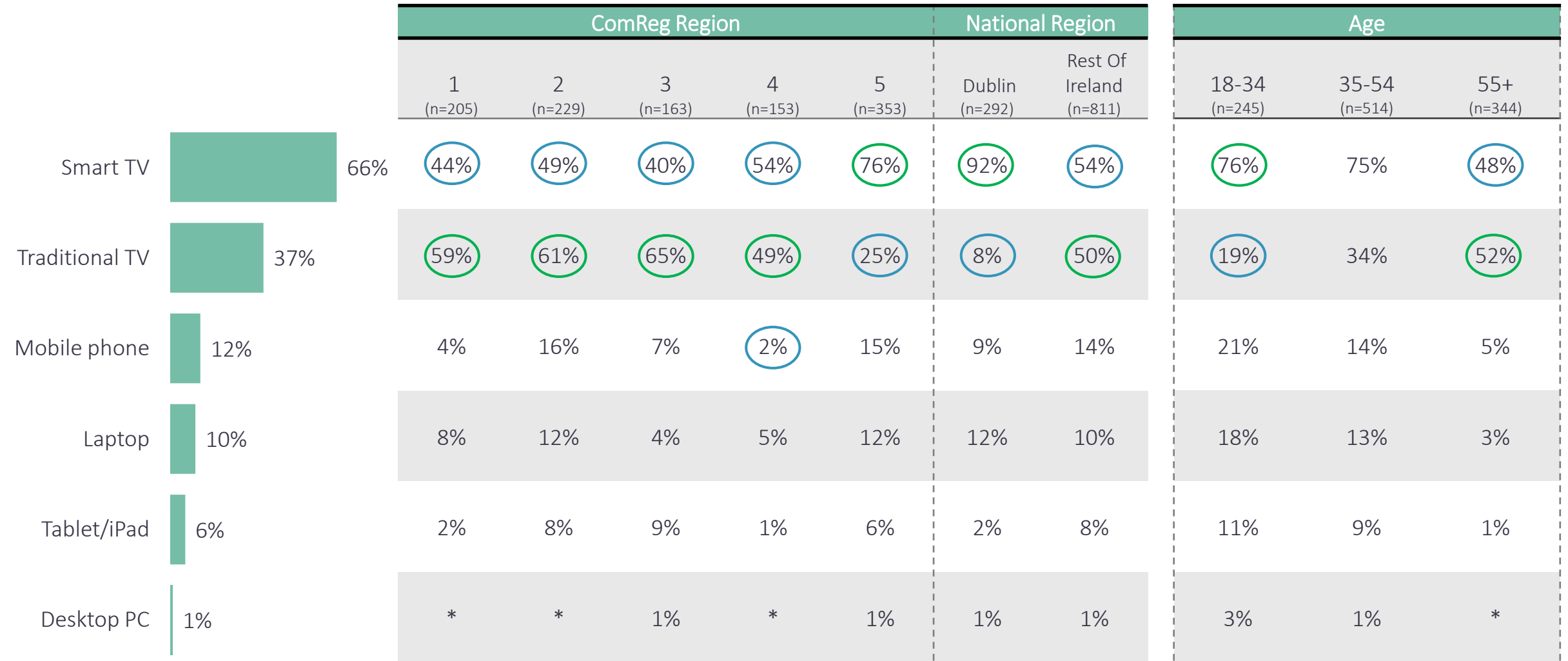
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	1 (n=205)	2 (n=234)	3 (n=164)	4 (n=155)	5 (n=356)	Dublin (n=294)	Rest Of Leinster (n=820)	18-34 (n=249)	35-54 (n=516)	55+ (n=349)	
Sky TV	41%	56%	51%	66%	33%	28%	46%	47%	45%	32%	
Netflix	40%	32%	46%	31%	40%	41%	25%	62%	46%	18%	
Catch Up Players	20%	12%	26%	11%	6%	23%	5%	26%	18%	25%	14%
Saorview	19%	37%	42%	43%	41%	6%	4%	26%	8%	12%	35%
Virgin Media	19%	*	5%	3%	3%	27%	56%	2%	18%	21%	17%
Amazon Prime	13%	8%	6%	4%	7%	17%	18%	11%	21%	17%	3%
Freesat	8%	10%	2%	9%	6%	9%	3%	10%	*	10%	10%
SkyGo app	6%	6%	9%	4%	4%	6%	3%	7%	8%	7%	3%
AppleTV+	5%	4%	1%	4%	1%	6%	4%	5%	5%	7%	2%
NowTV	3%	7%	3%	1%	2%	4%	2%	4%	5%	4%	1%
Eir TV	3%	2%	1%	2%	2%	4%	4%	3%	2%	2%	6%
Saorsat	3%	3%	4%	8%	1%	2%	*	4%	1%	*	7%
Vodafone	2%	1%	2%	0	0	2%	1%	2%	1%	3%	1%
Disney+	1%	0	*	2%	0	1%	0	1%	0	2%	0

(Q.39)

(Base : All Telecoms Decision Makers With Access To TV; n=1114)

# Devices used to watch TV services

## Usage of Smart TV is almost universal in Dublin

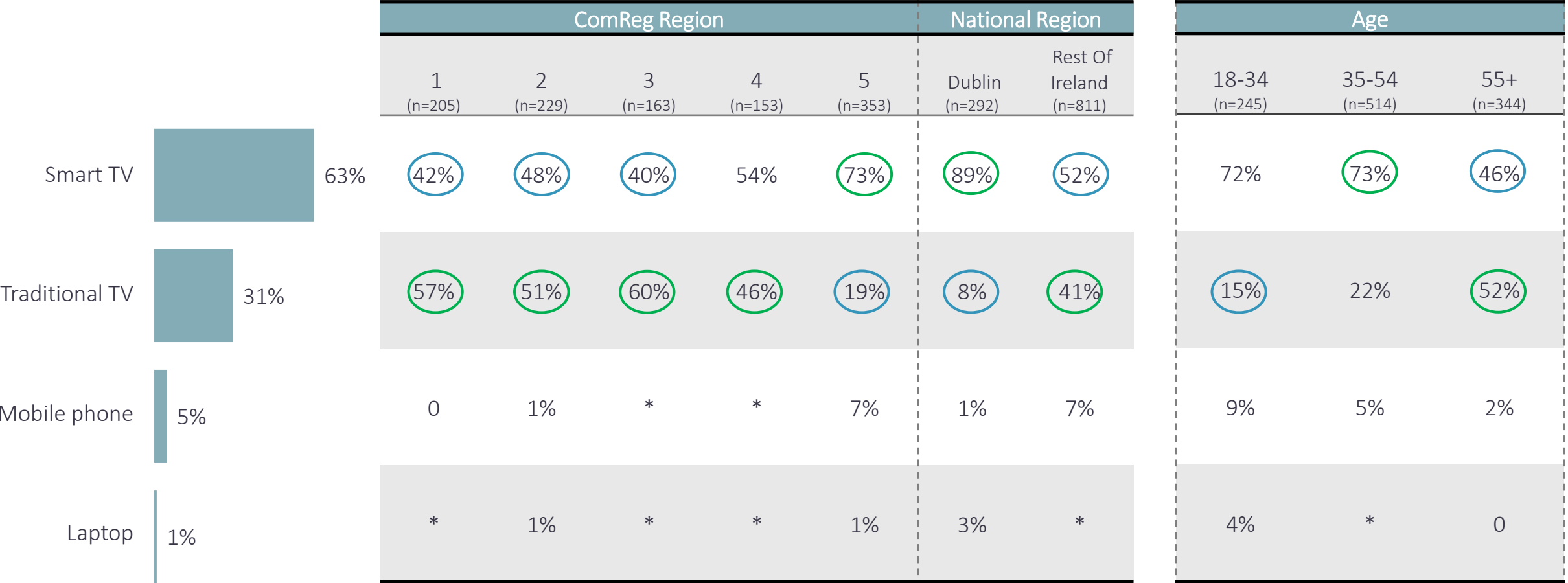


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(Base : All Using A TV Service; n=1103)

# Device used to watch TV services most often

## Highest use of smart TV in Dublin



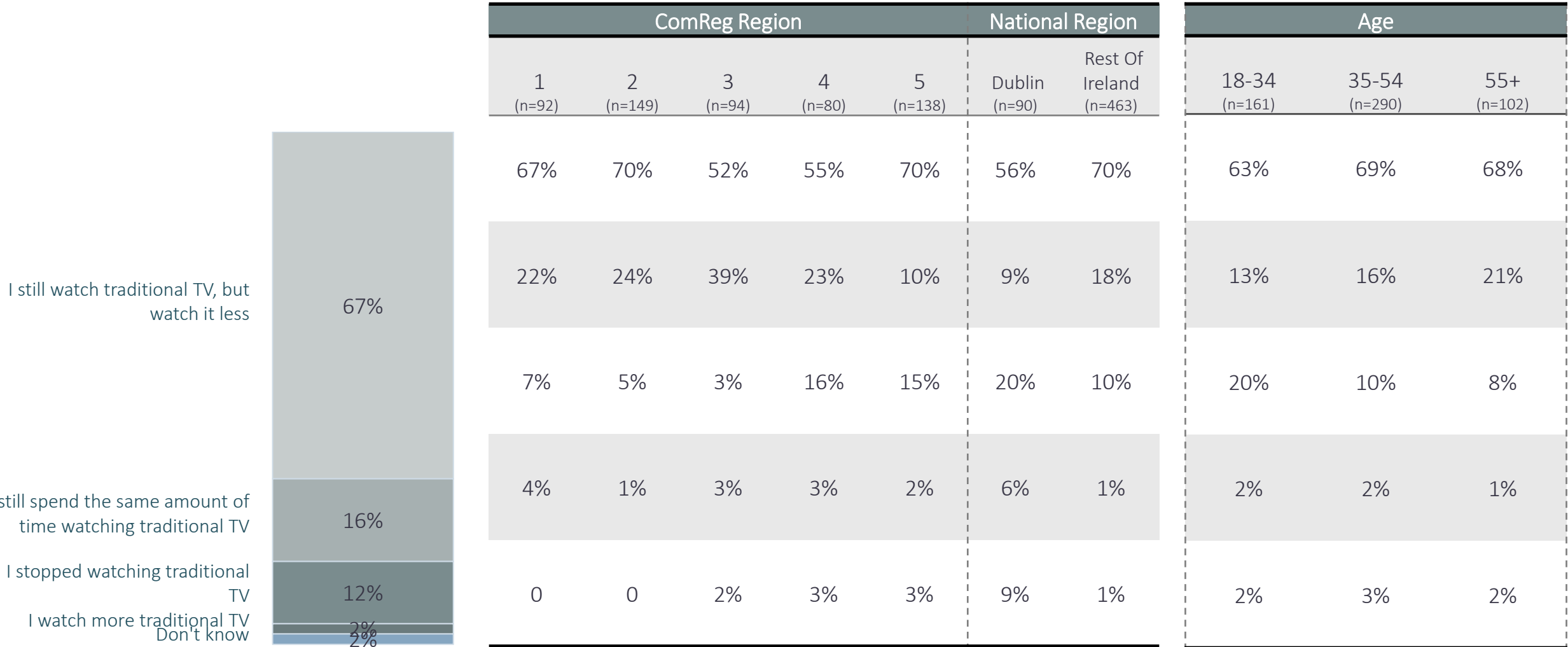
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(Base : All Using A TV Service; n=1103)

Note: Other Devices <1%

# Impact of streaming on traditional scheduled TV

Incidence of watching less TV highest outside Dublin



(Q.42)

(Base : All Telecoms Decision Makers With Access To TV Who Use Streaming/Catch Up Services; n=553)

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# Key Findings



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1.

## Broadband – Current Ownership and Faster Services

- **Importance:** 79% say home broadband is very important. 95% of those working from home say home broadband is very important.
- **Trust in a brand** is a key reason why consumers are with their current broadband supplier. **Promised speed of internet connection** is also a reason why 1 in 4 choose their current supplier.
- **Faster Broadband Service:** 45% of people consider they would benefit from a faster broadband connection. 72% likely to take up high speed broadband if it becomes available. This figure is highest in least populated areas of the country.

2.

## Satisfaction & Experience

- **Satisfaction:** 74% of broadband users are satisfied with their overall experience. Satisfaction tends to be higher for billing process and length of contract than speed of broadband and customer service. Satisfaction tends to be higher among Dublin residents.
- **Most common issues** experienced are slow/variable speeds and quality of internet connection.

3.

## Bundling & Switching

- **Services in a Bundle:** 55% of the population have a bundle of services in their home. This figure is higher in Dublin and more urban areas.
- **Switching Behaviour:** 1 in 5 bundle owners who are out of contract or contract expires within 12 months state they are likely to switch bundle within the next 12 months. 45% of those who switched bundles previously now have a lower bill within the current bundle. 71% of those who switched bundles compared bundles before making the switch. 43% of those with a broadband service have ever switched broadband supplier.
- **Satisfaction with Switching:** Overall, the vast majority of people who have switched broadband provider have seen an improvement in overall experience, download speeds and reliability. The majority of those who switched their broadband service are happier with their current service provider.