

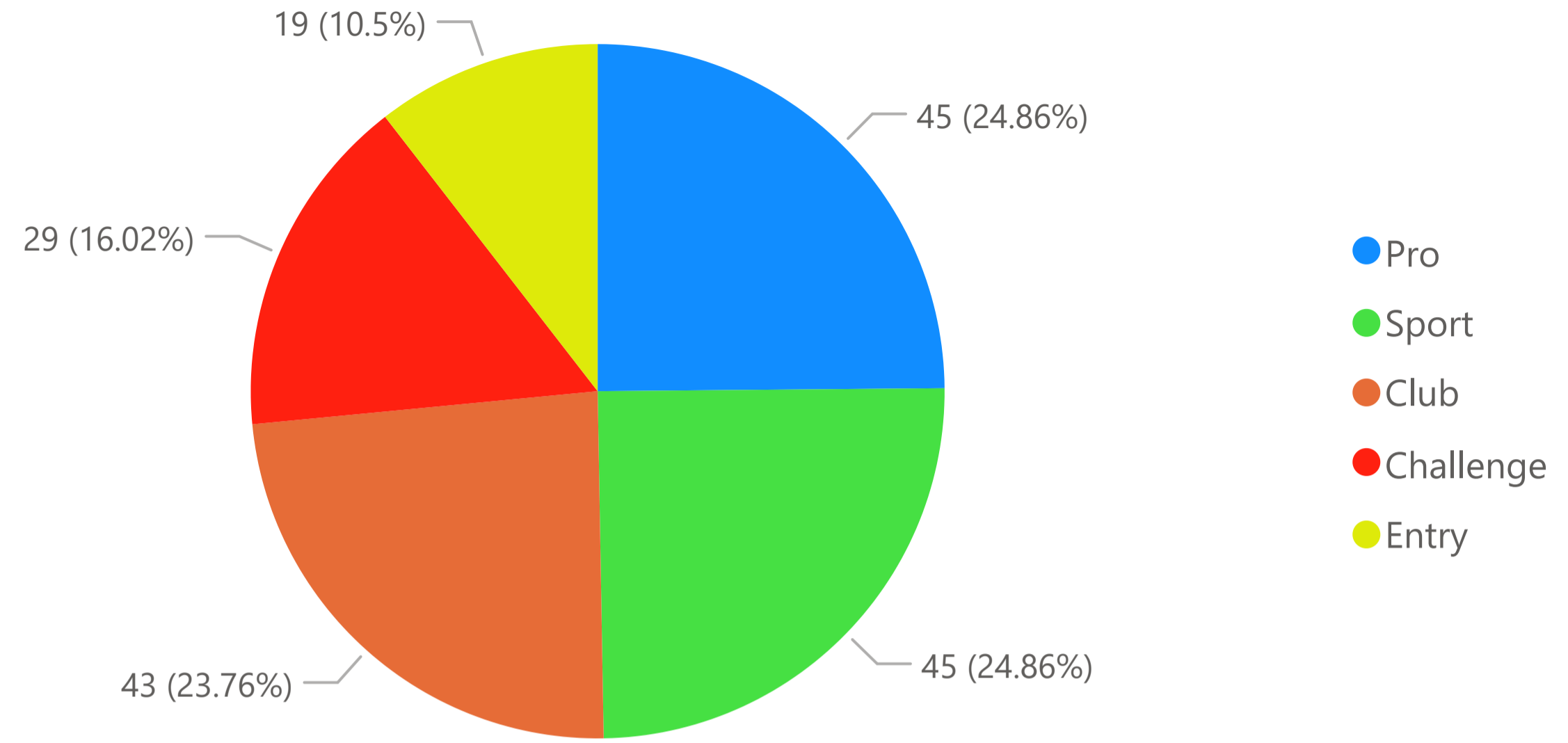


Series 11 – Survey Results

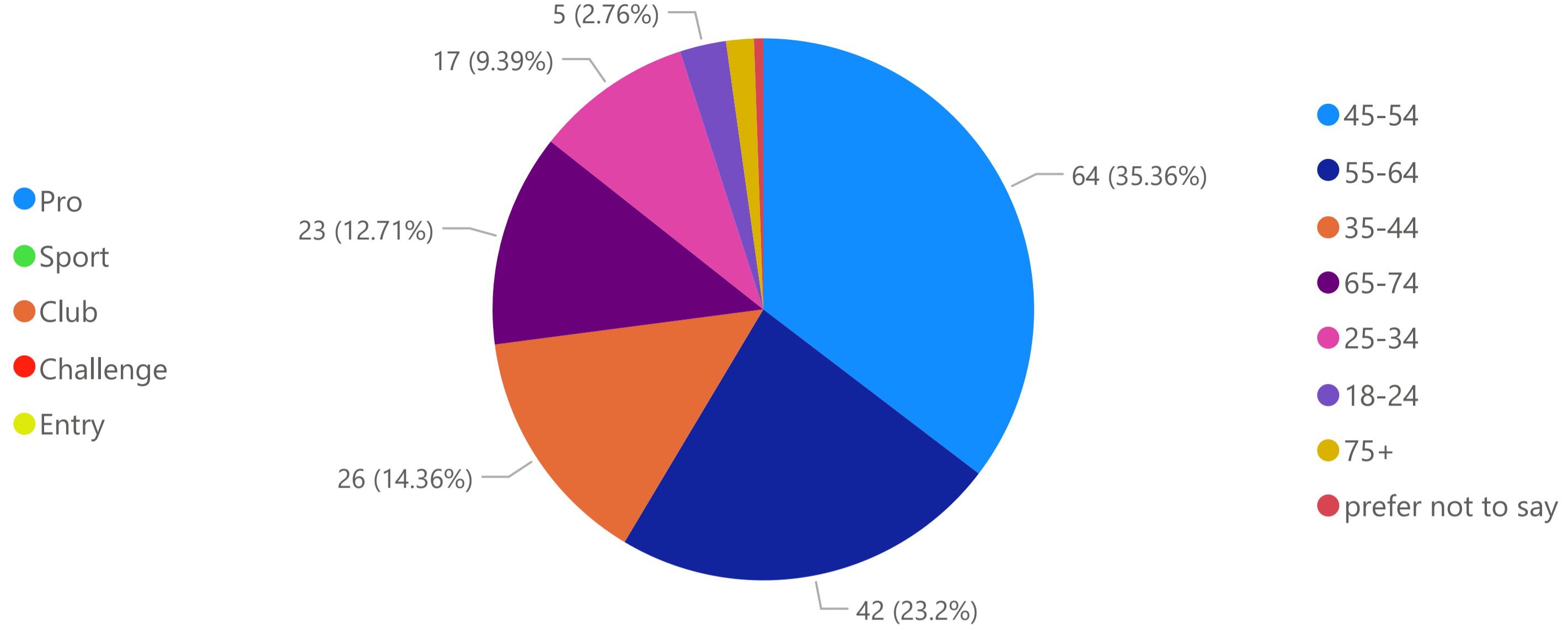
This survey was held between May 24 and June 13, 2024 amongst all PCA Sim Racing members.

181 Unique responses were received. Where appropriate, only relevant answers were included in the data shown for a question.

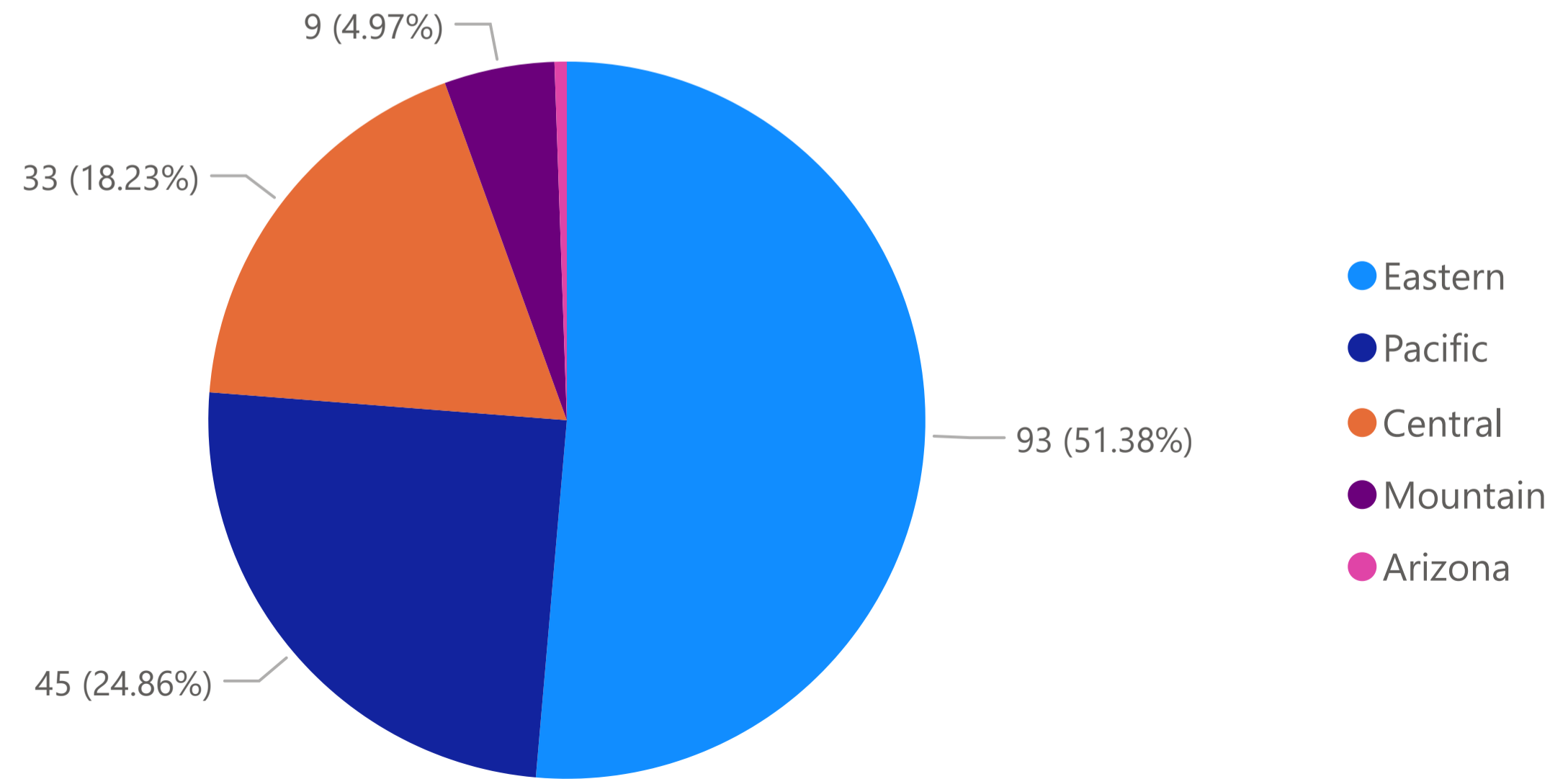
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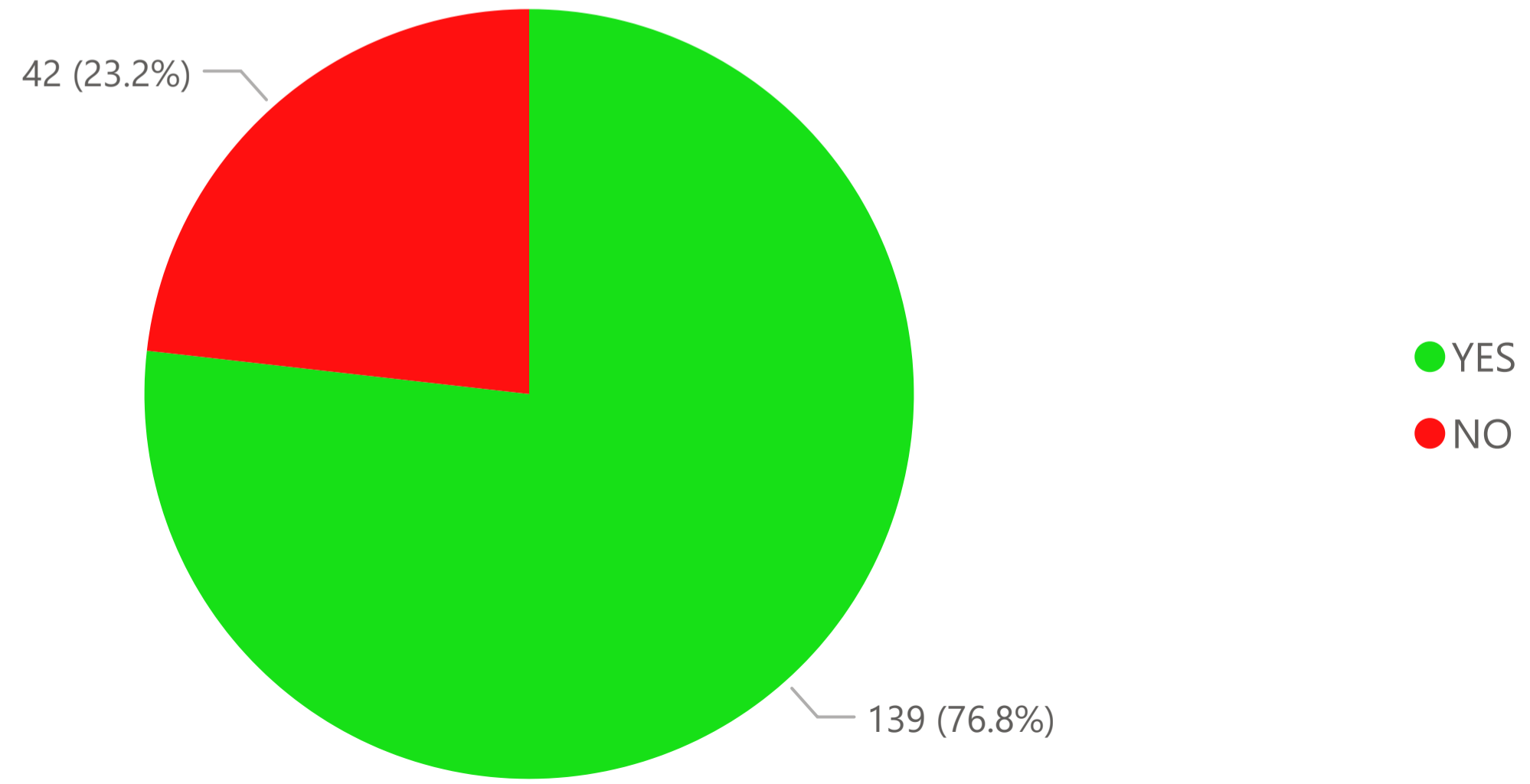
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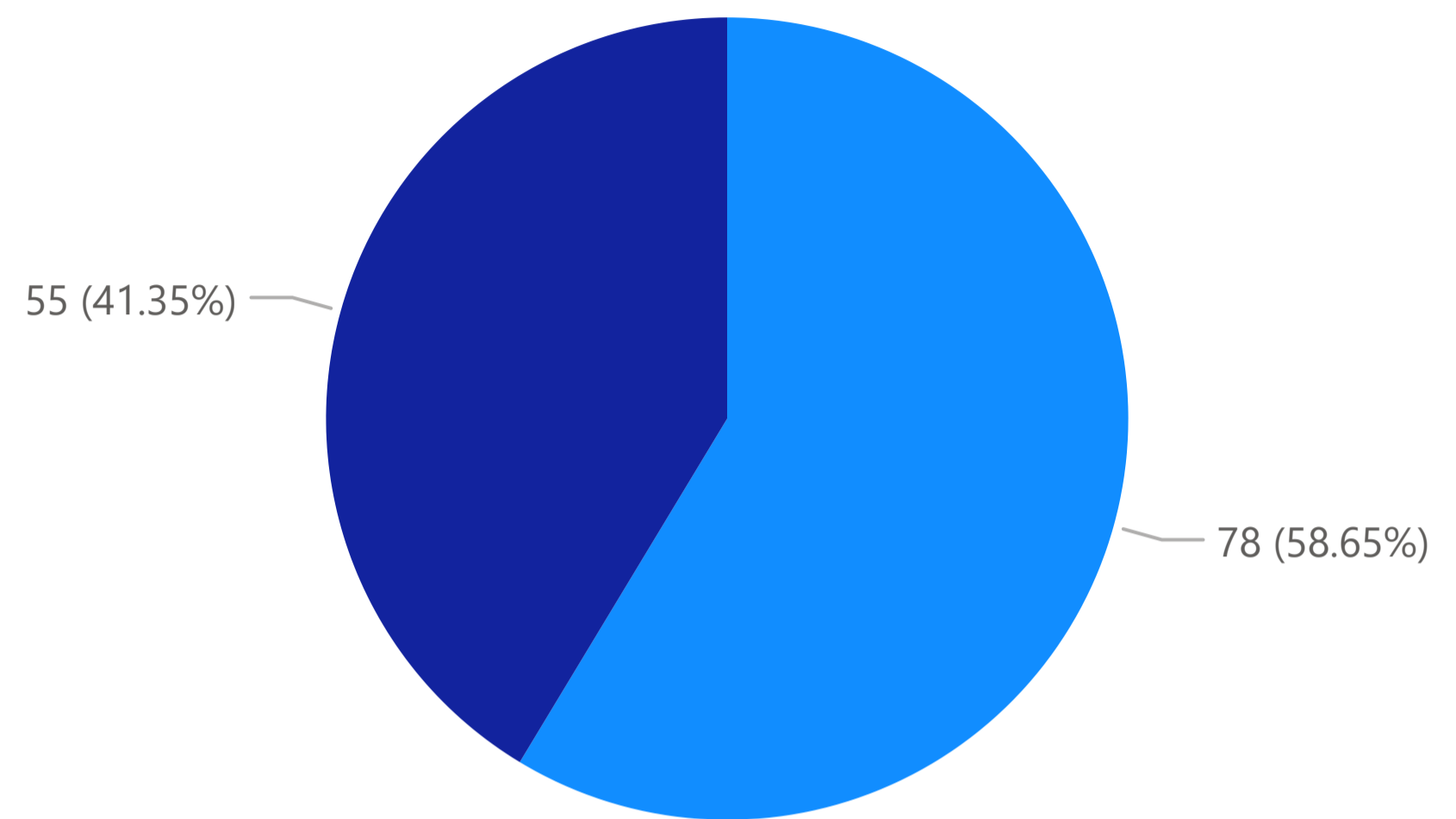


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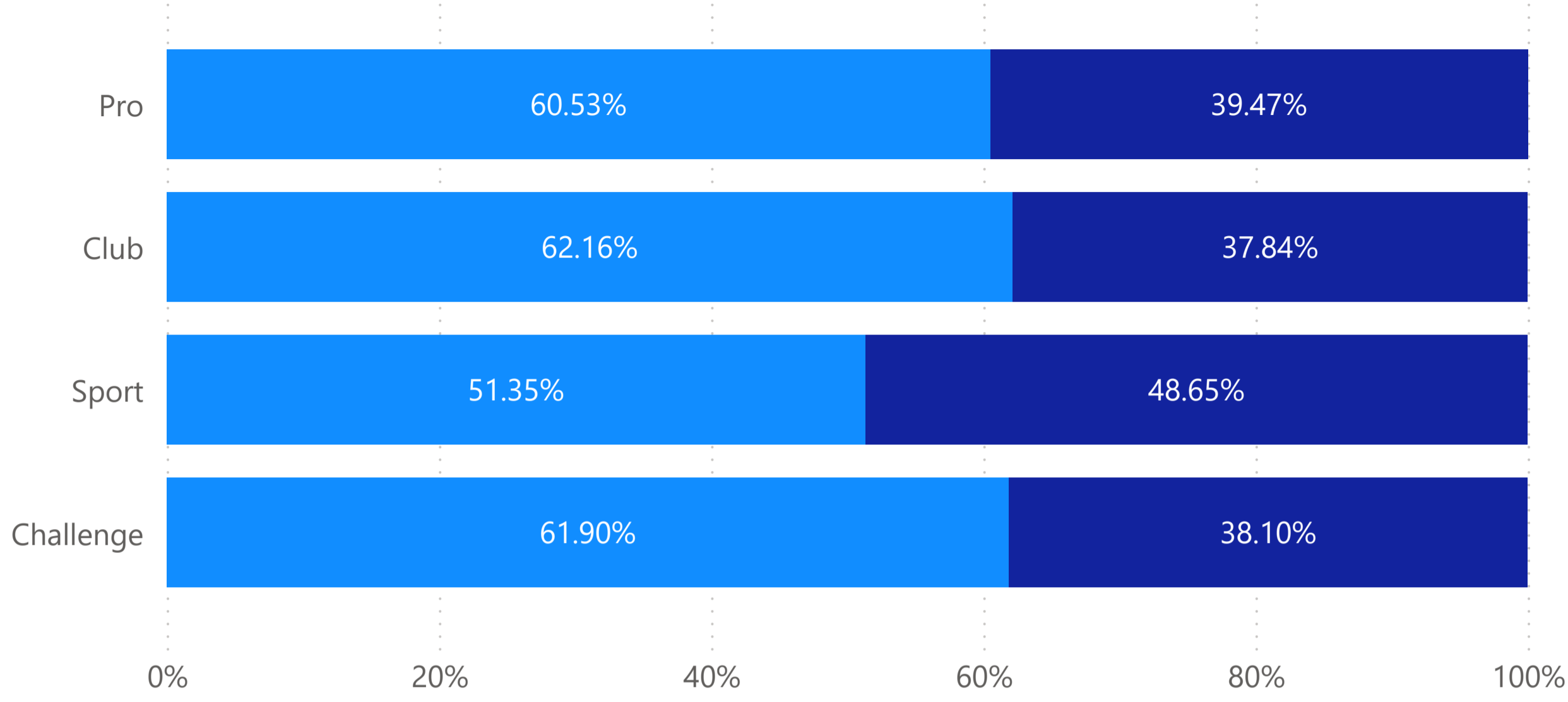
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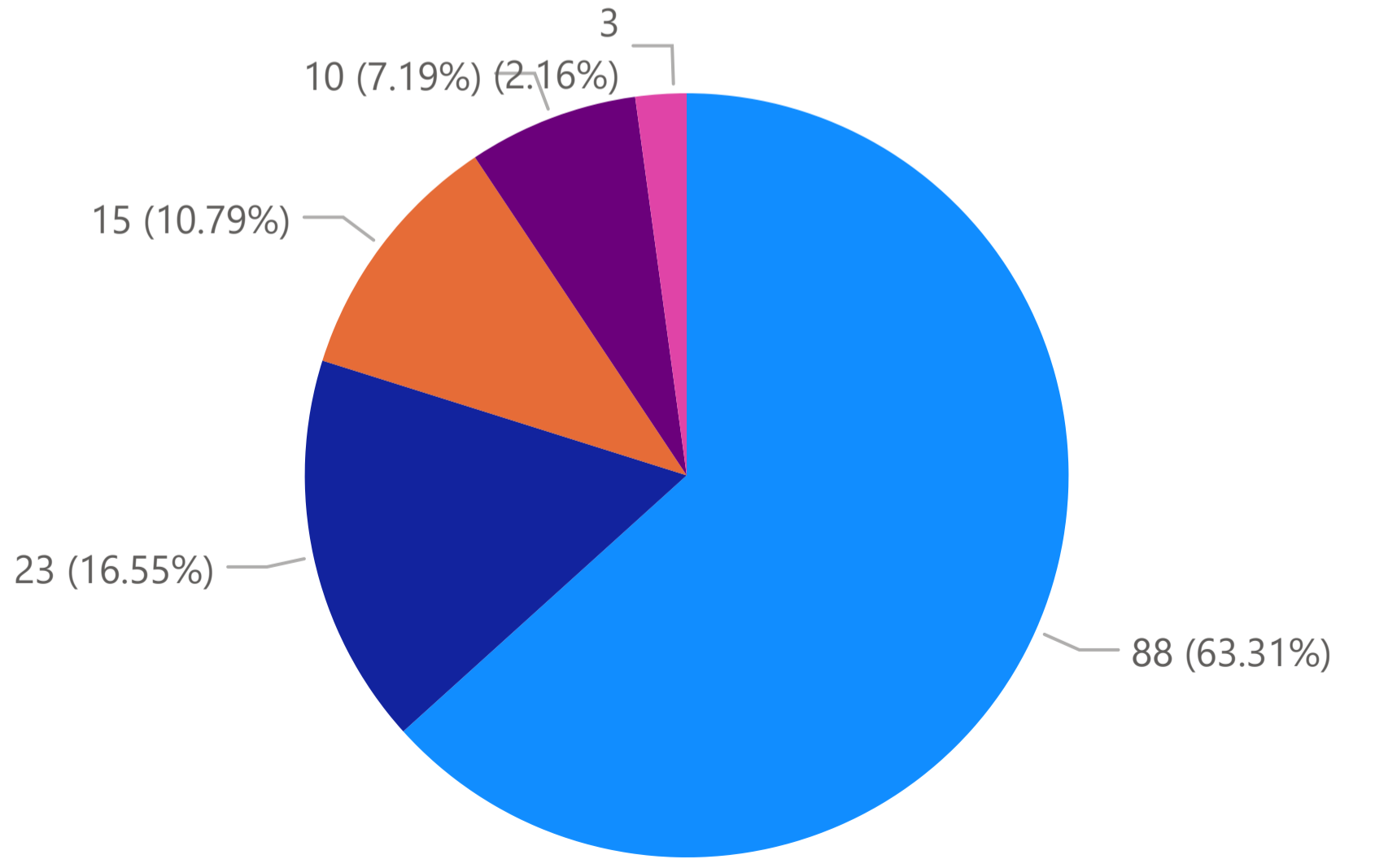
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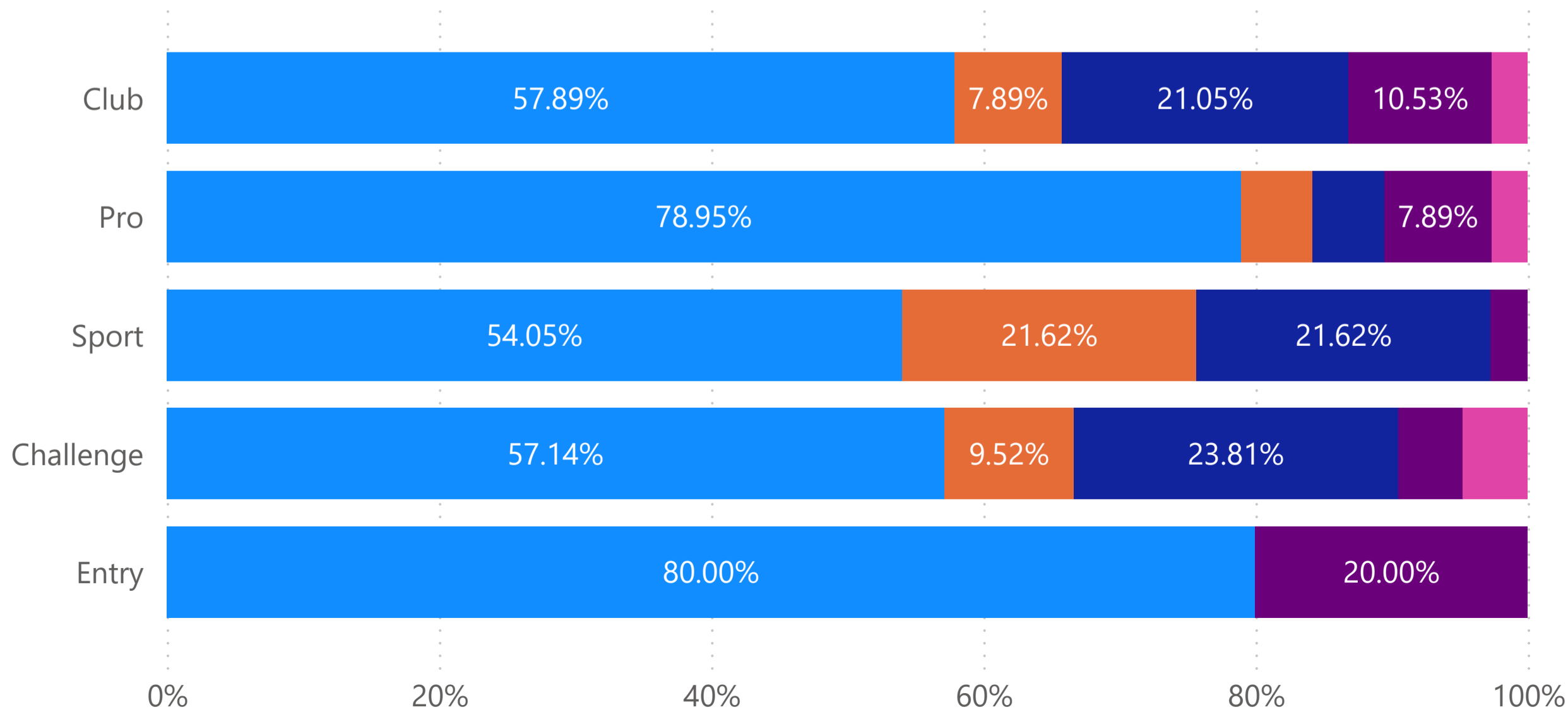
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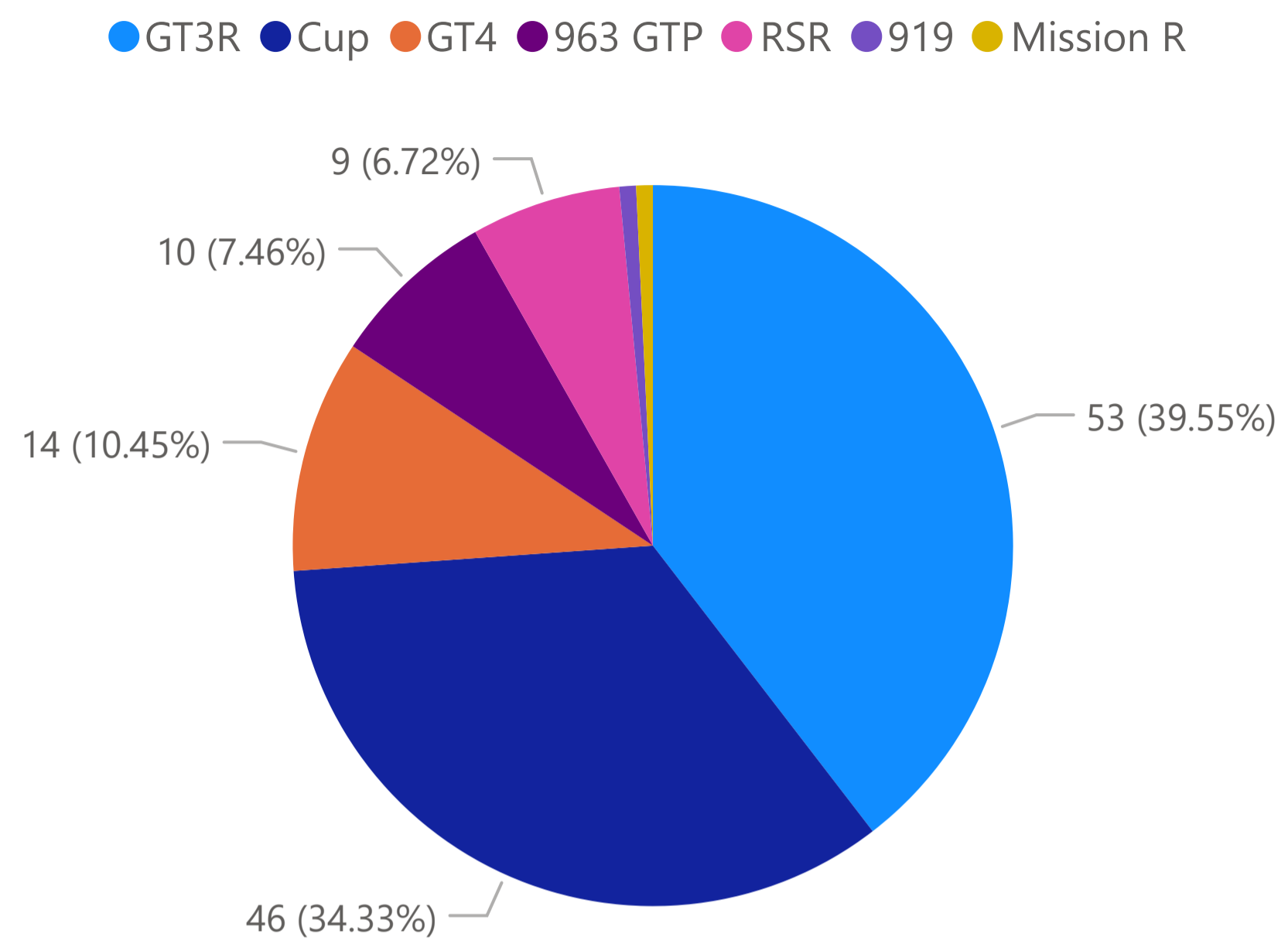


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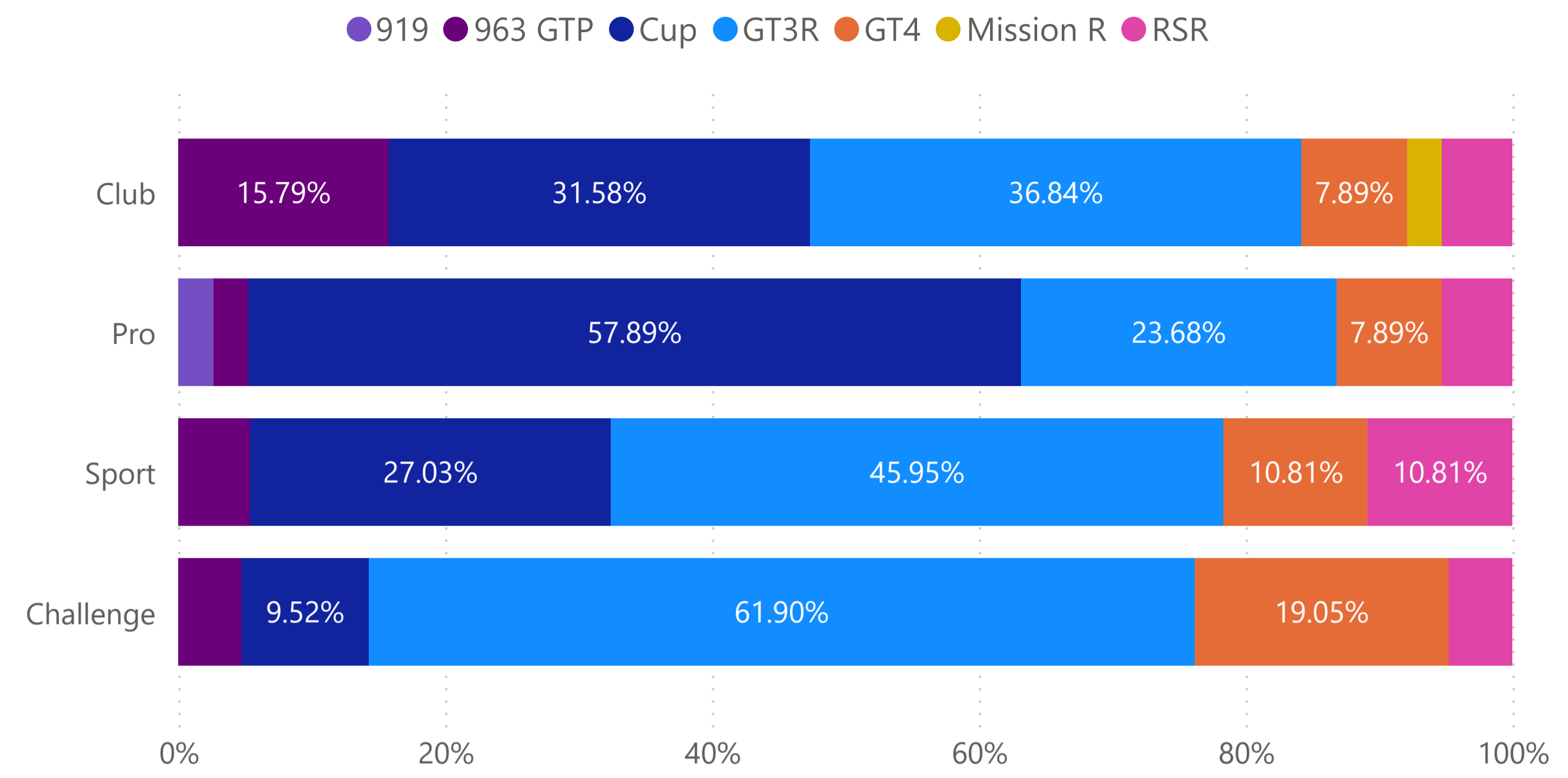
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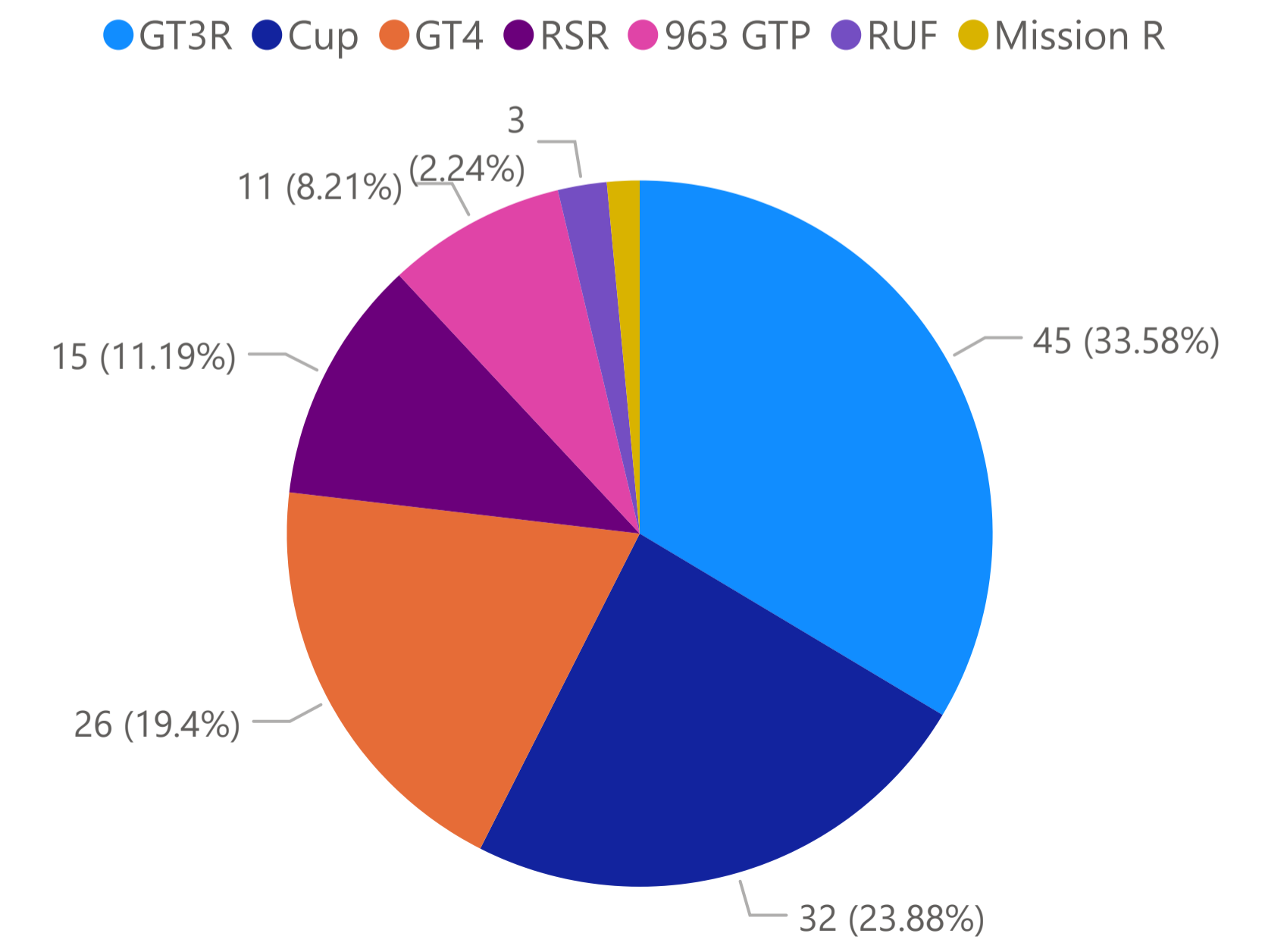
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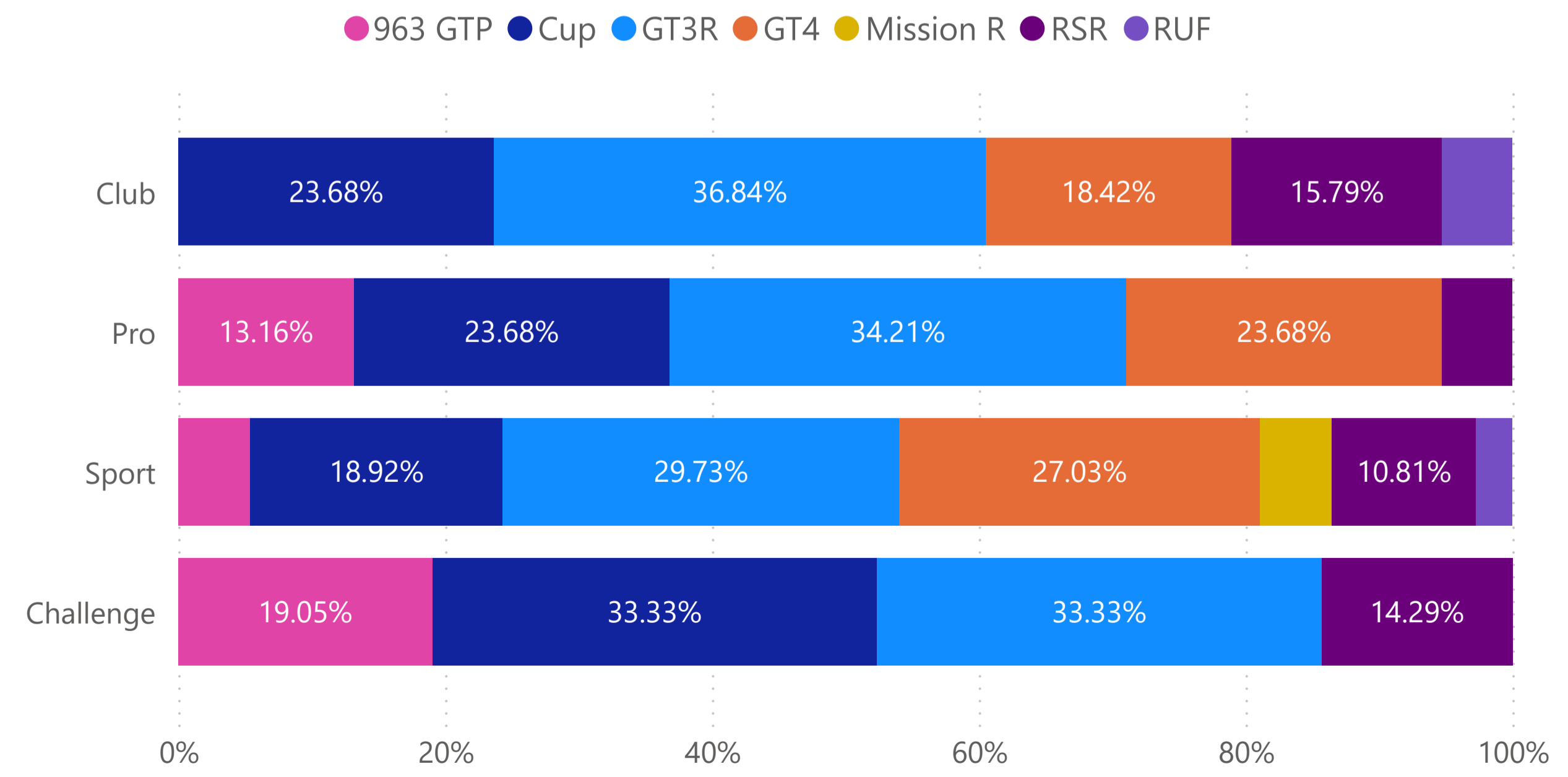
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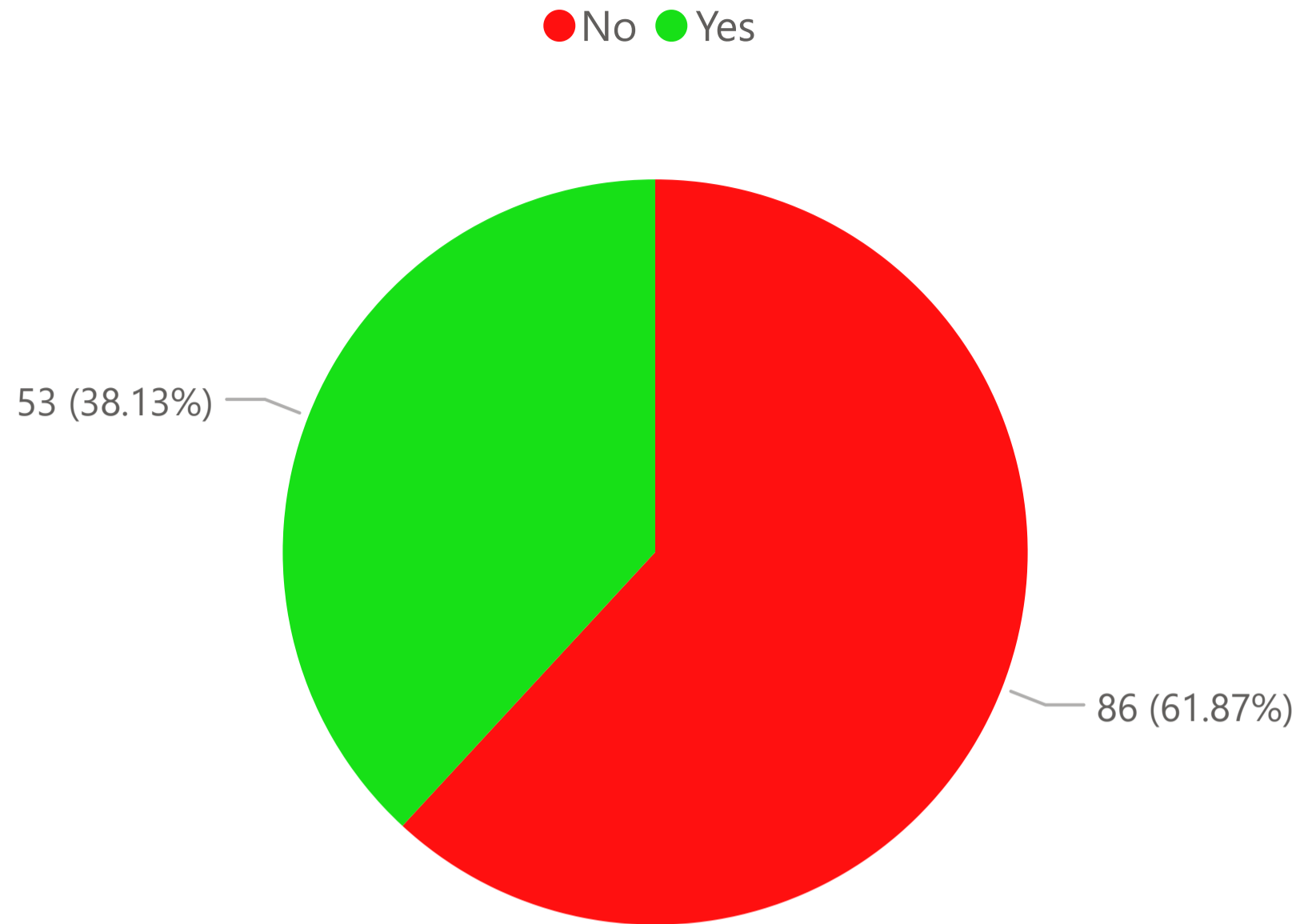
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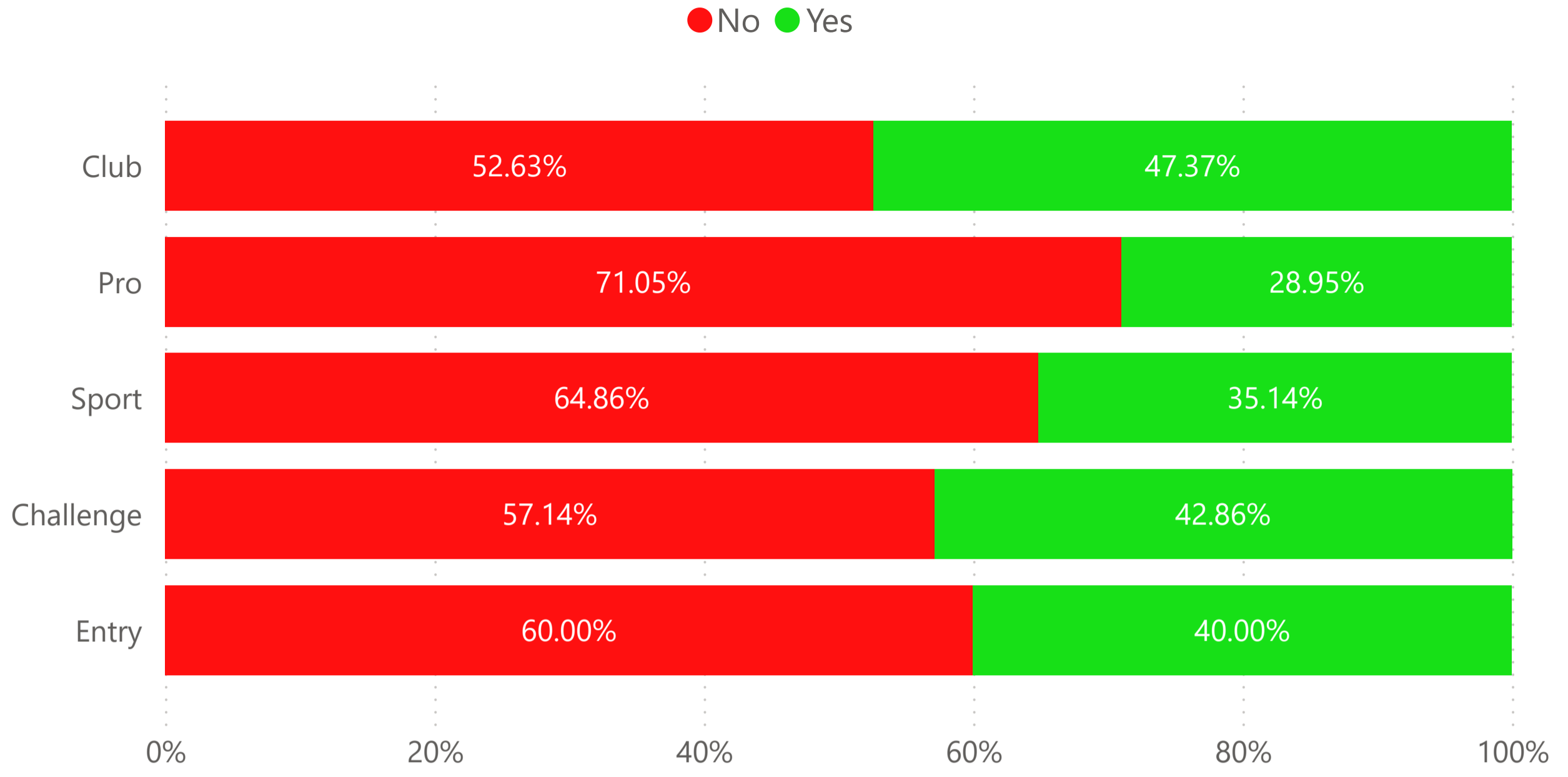
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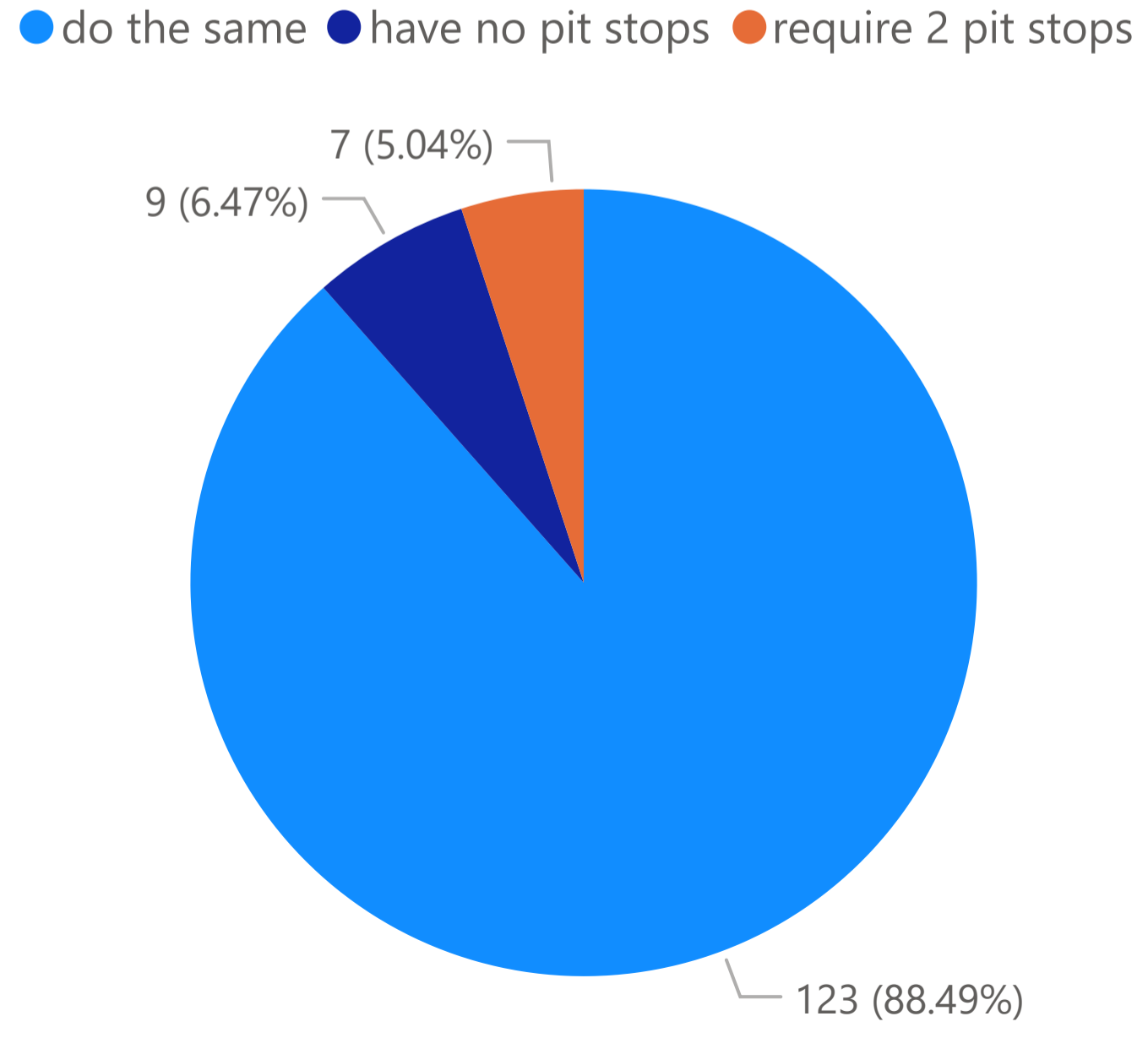
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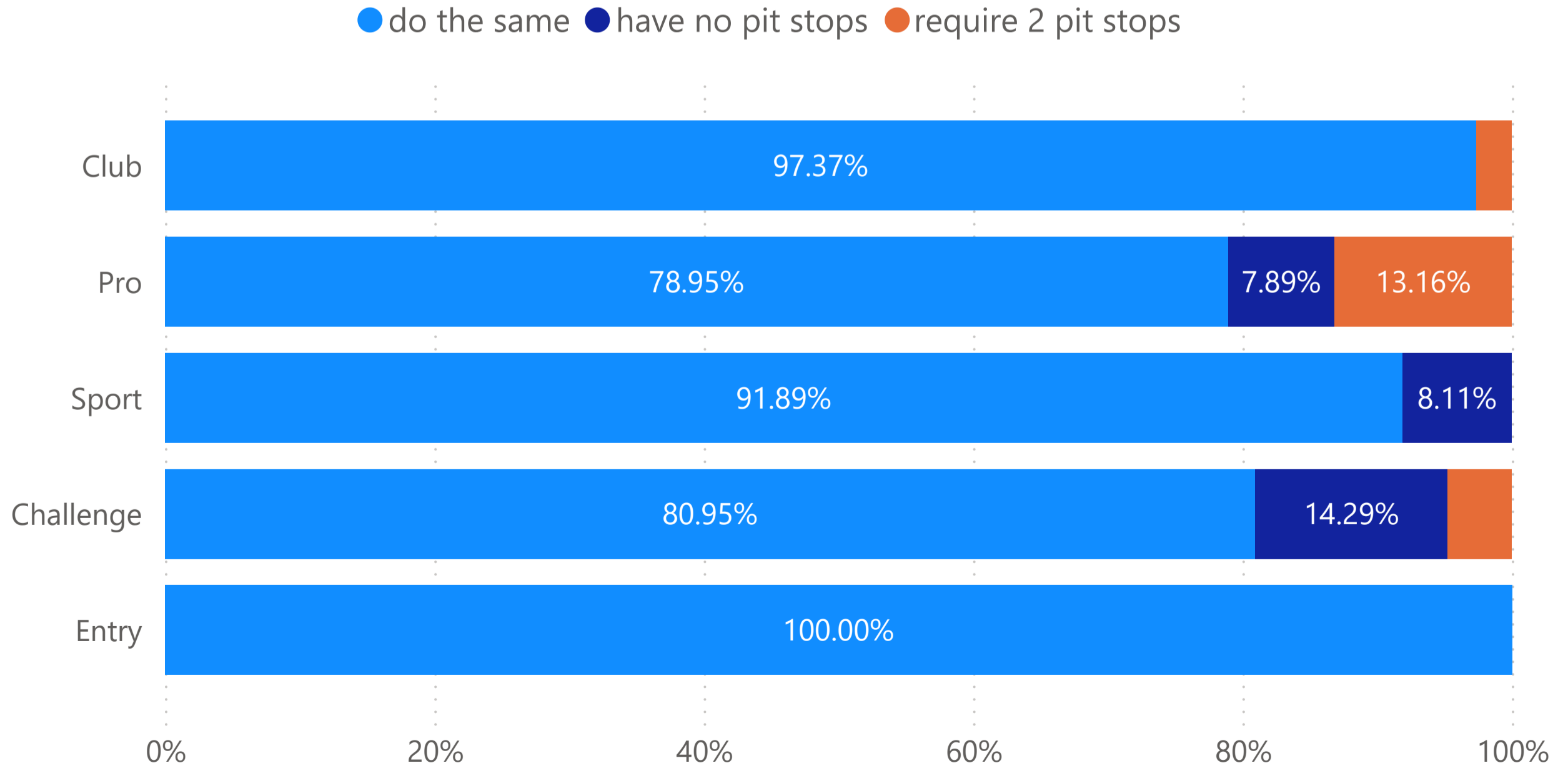
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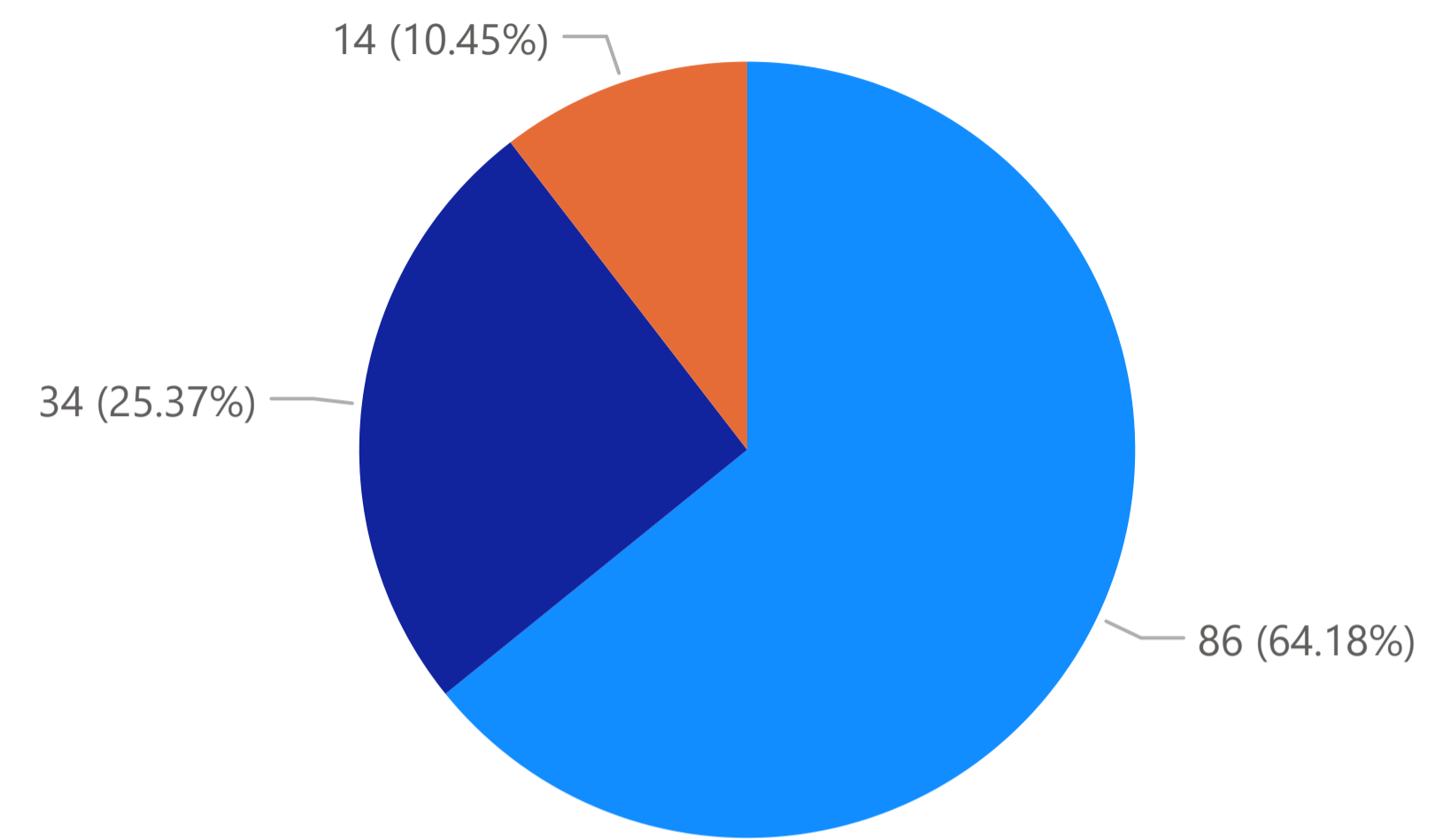


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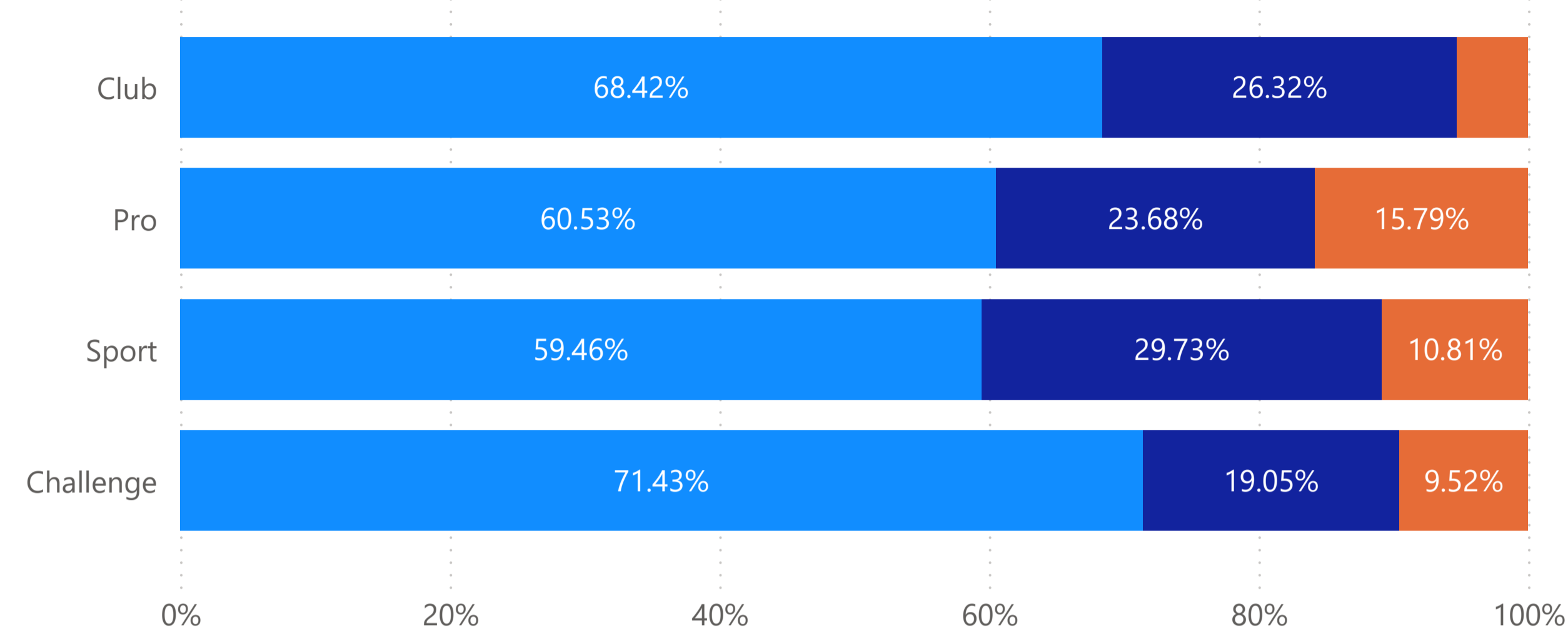
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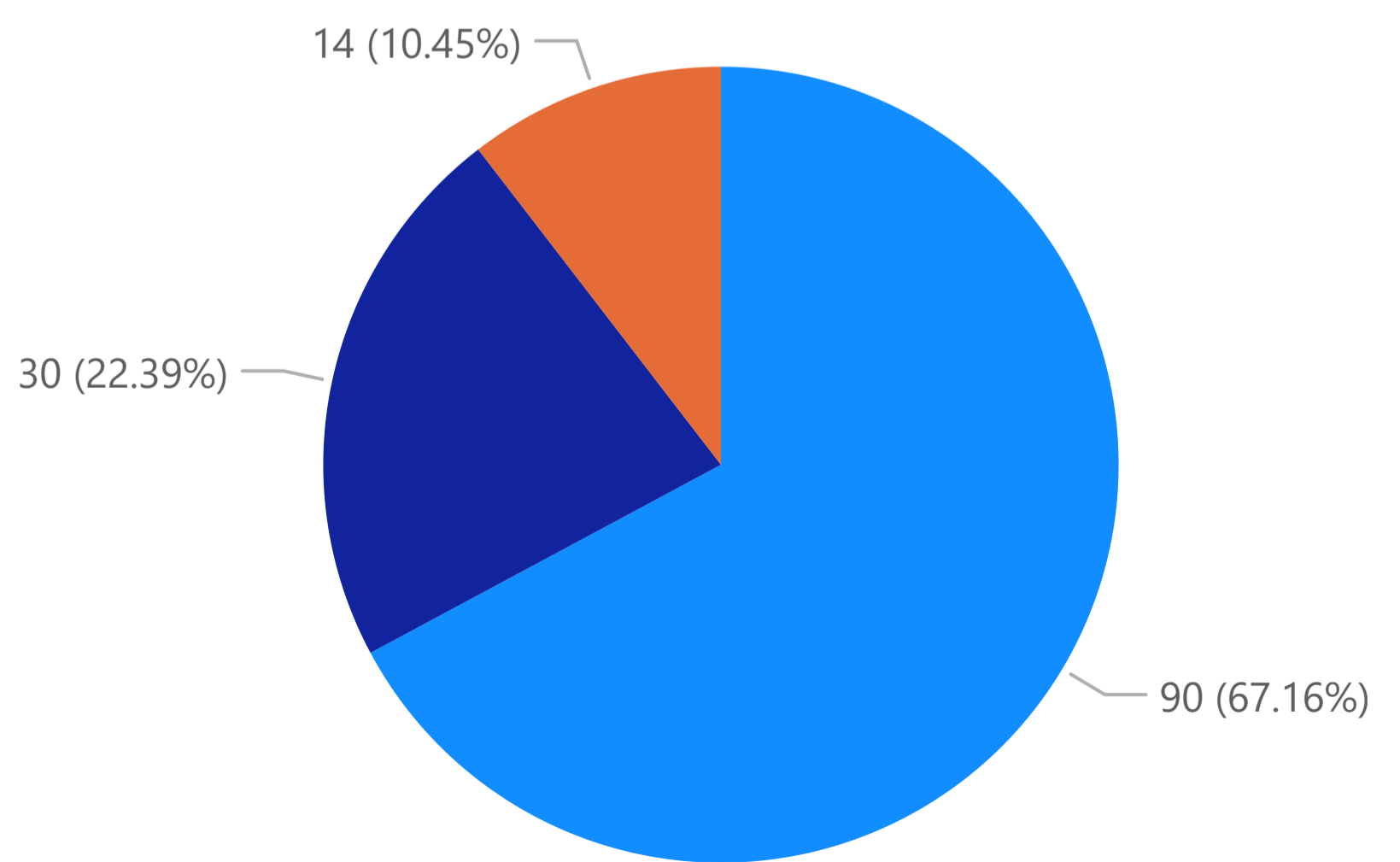
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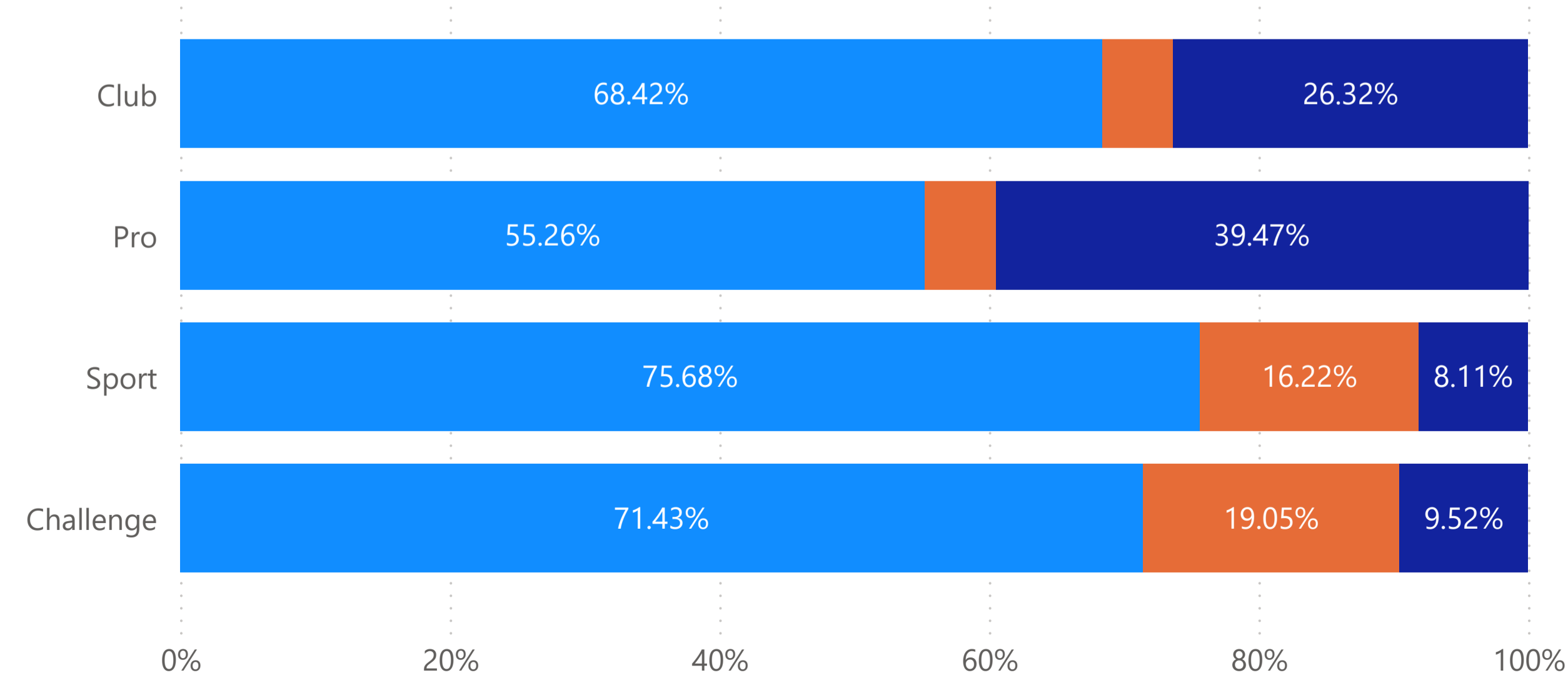
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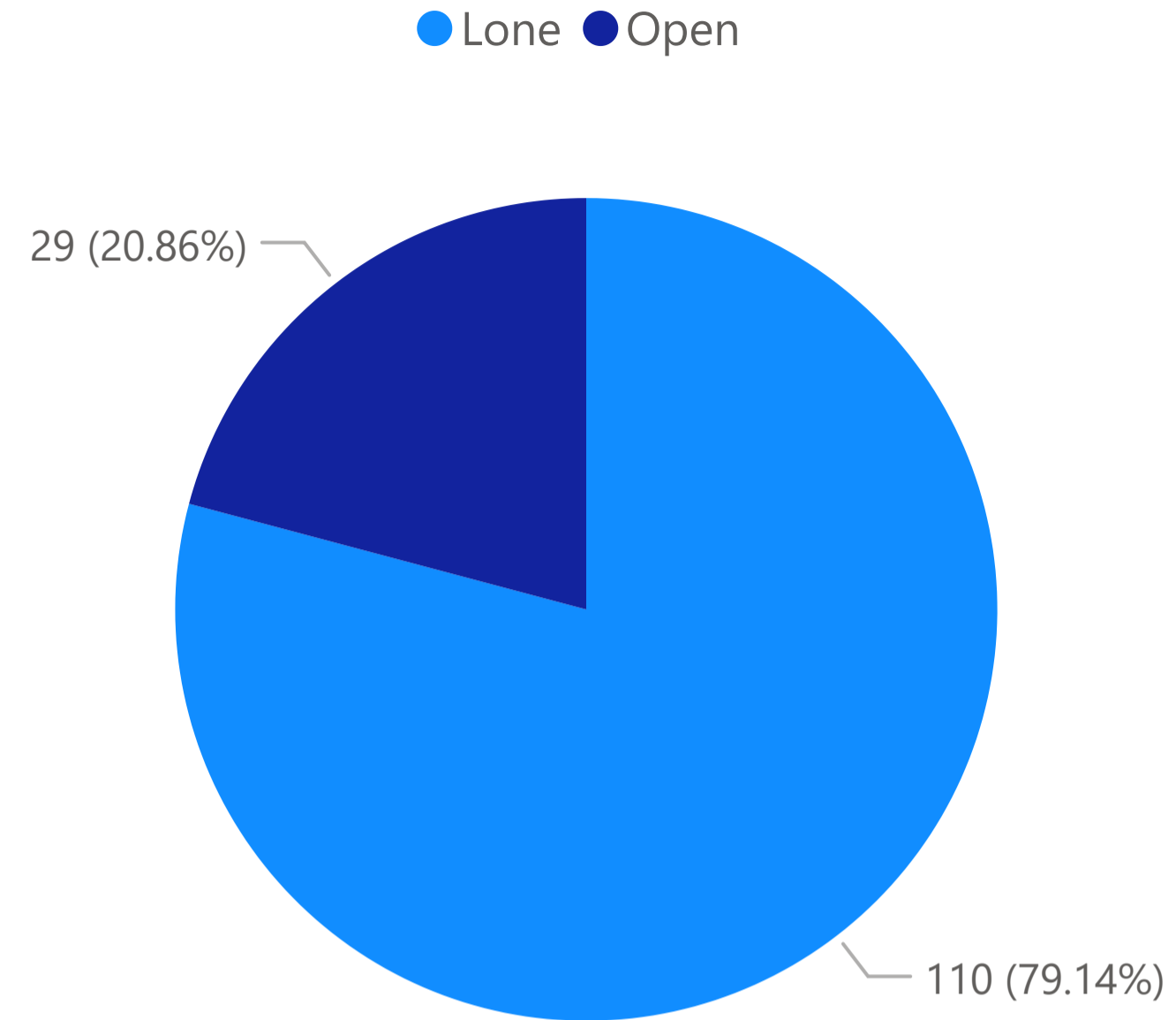


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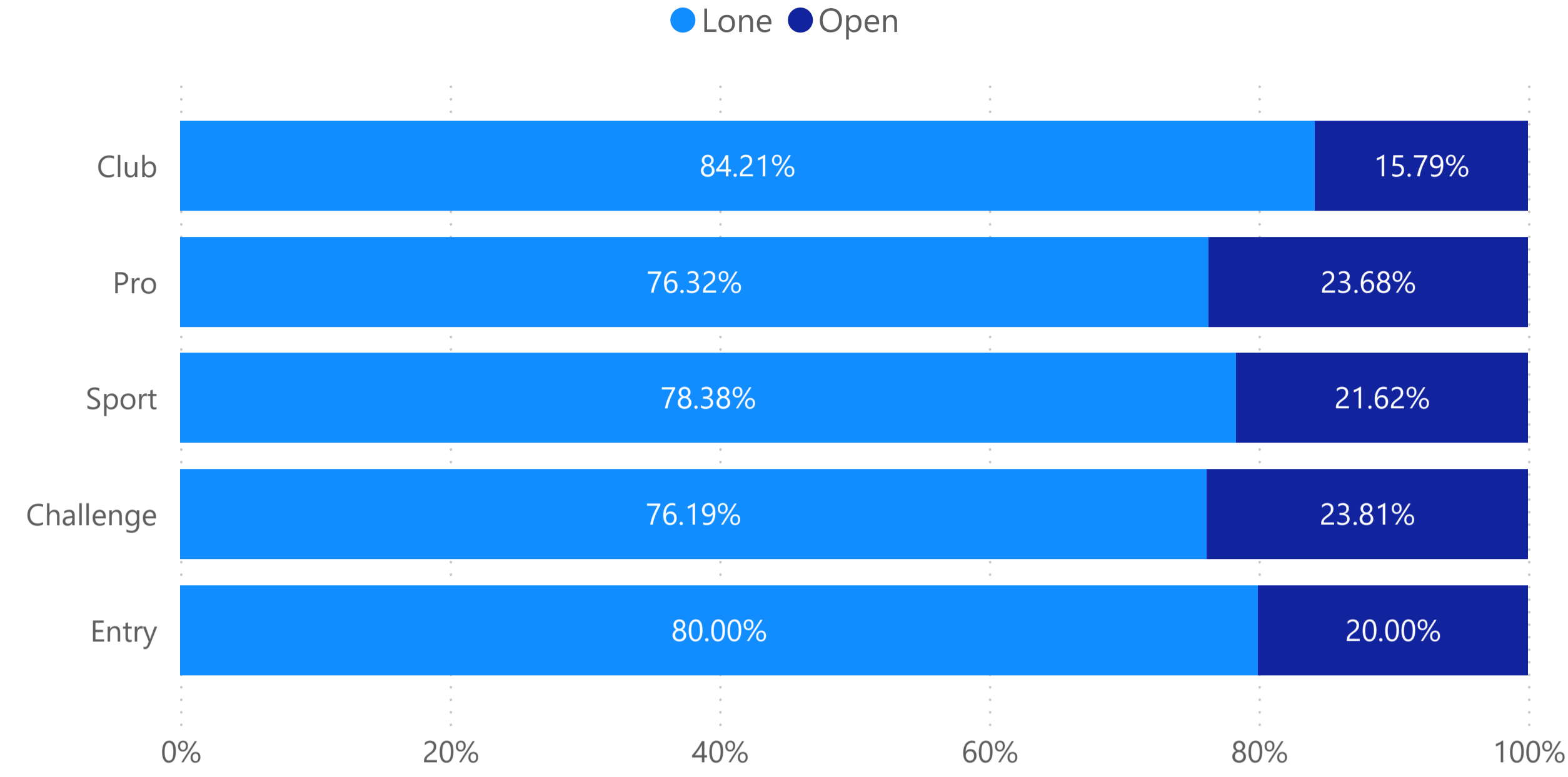
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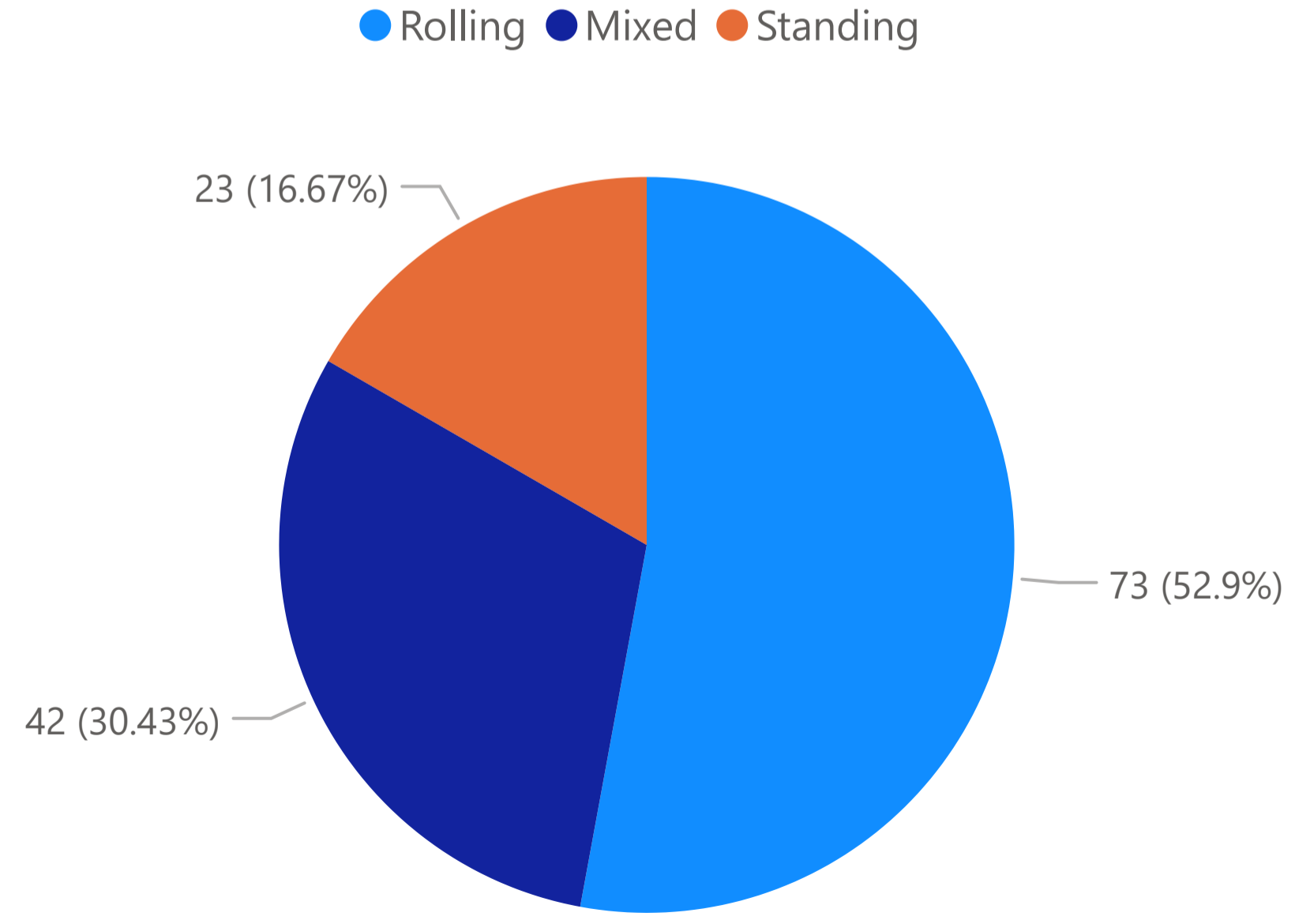
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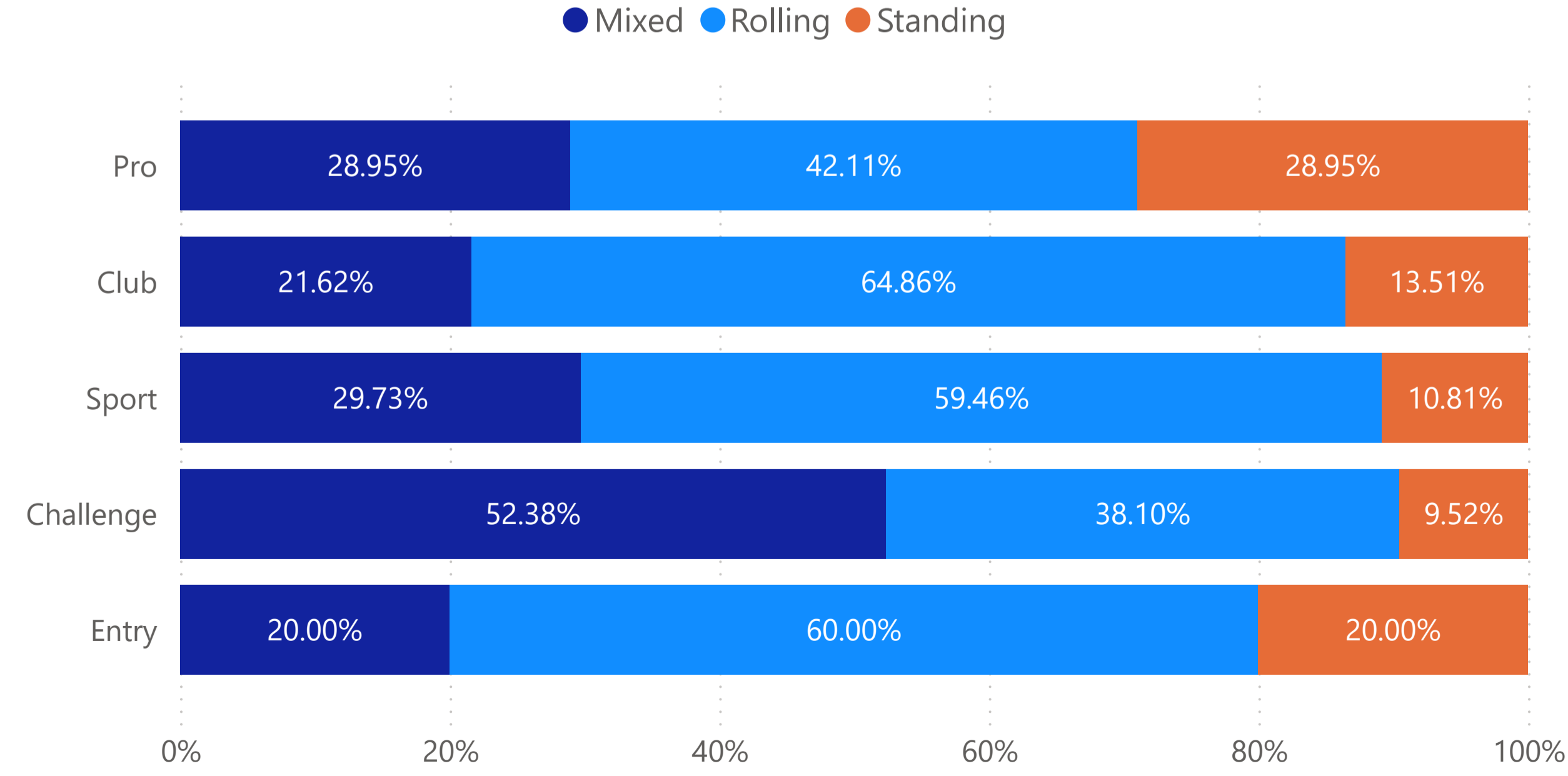
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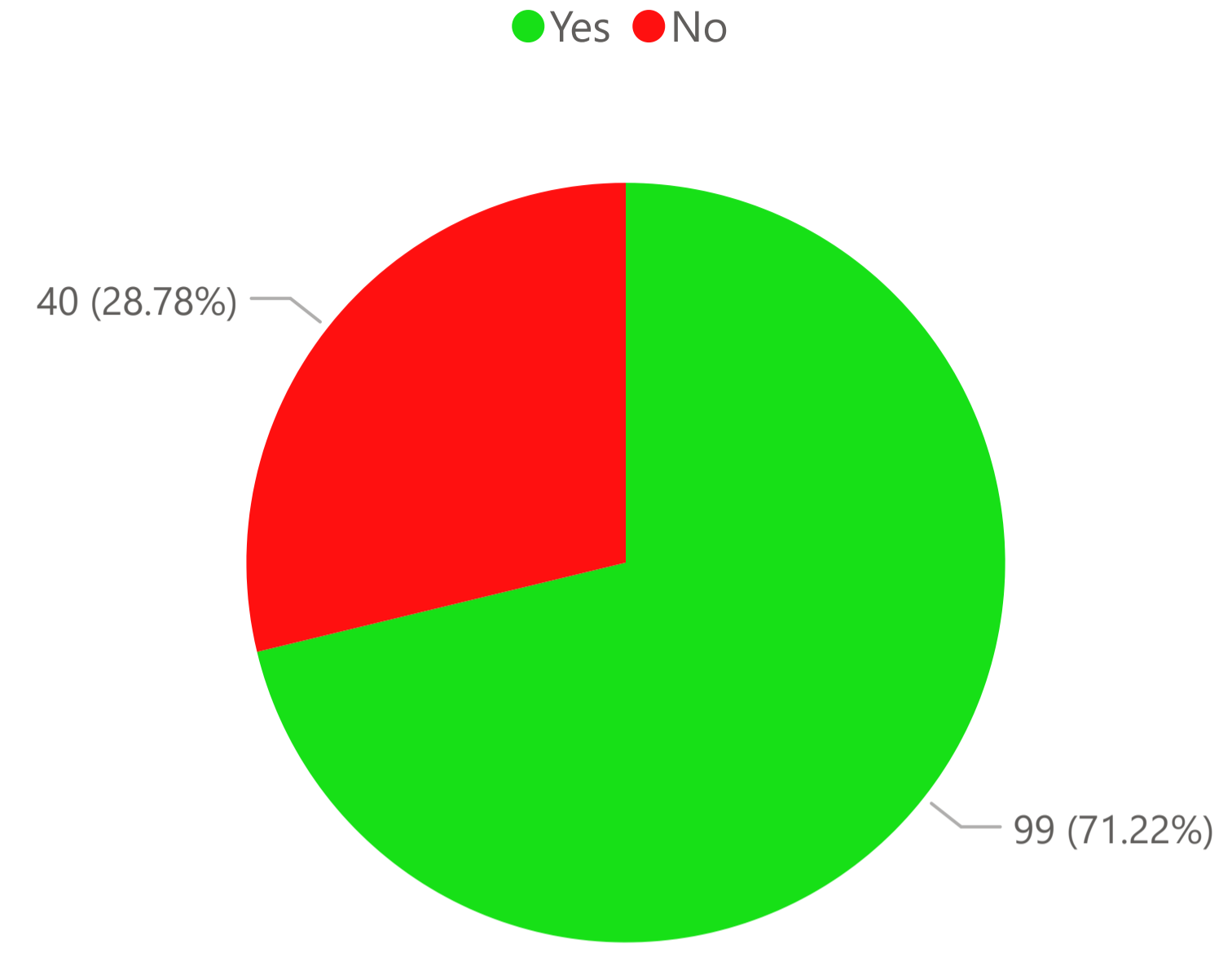
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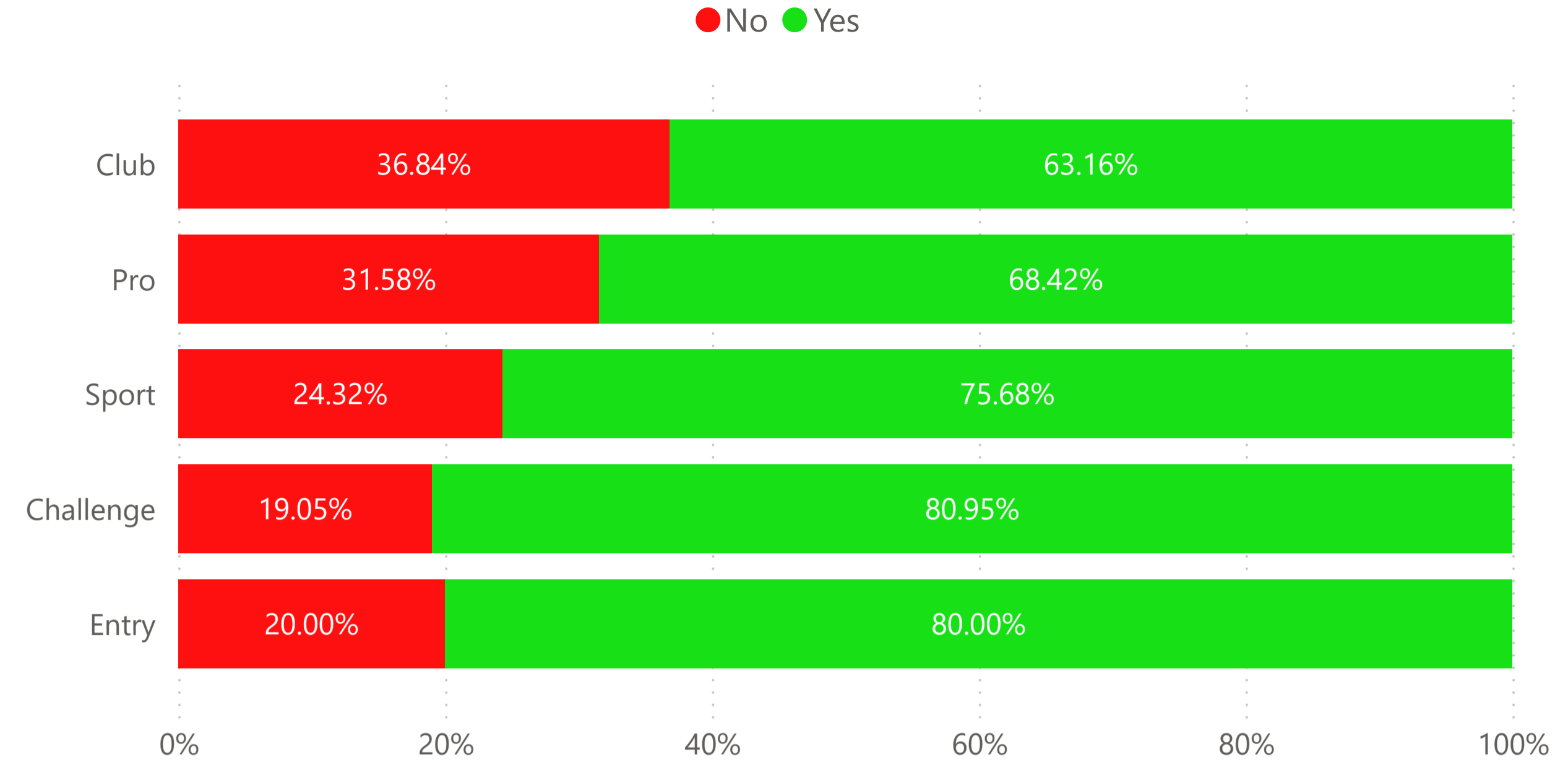
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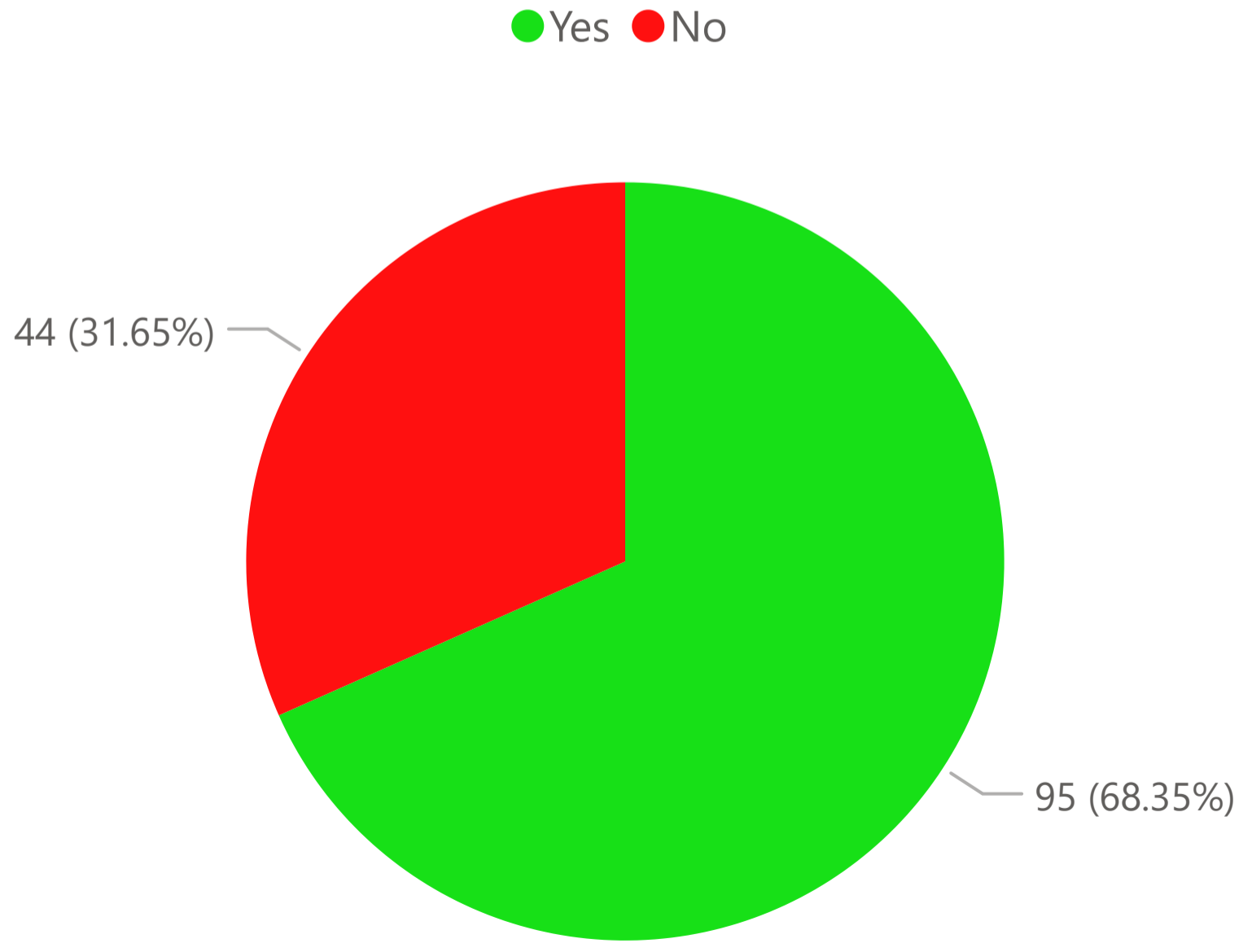
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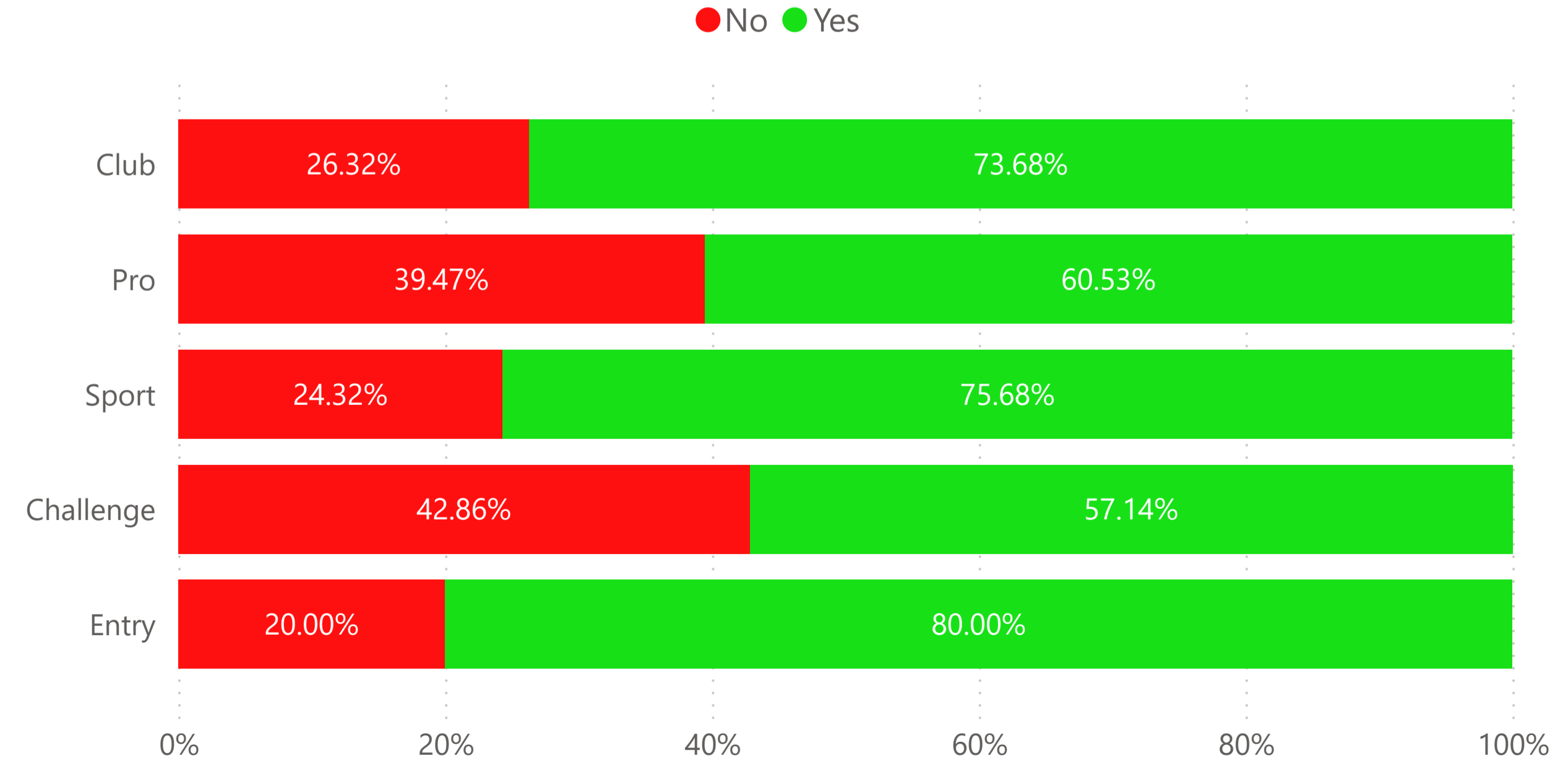
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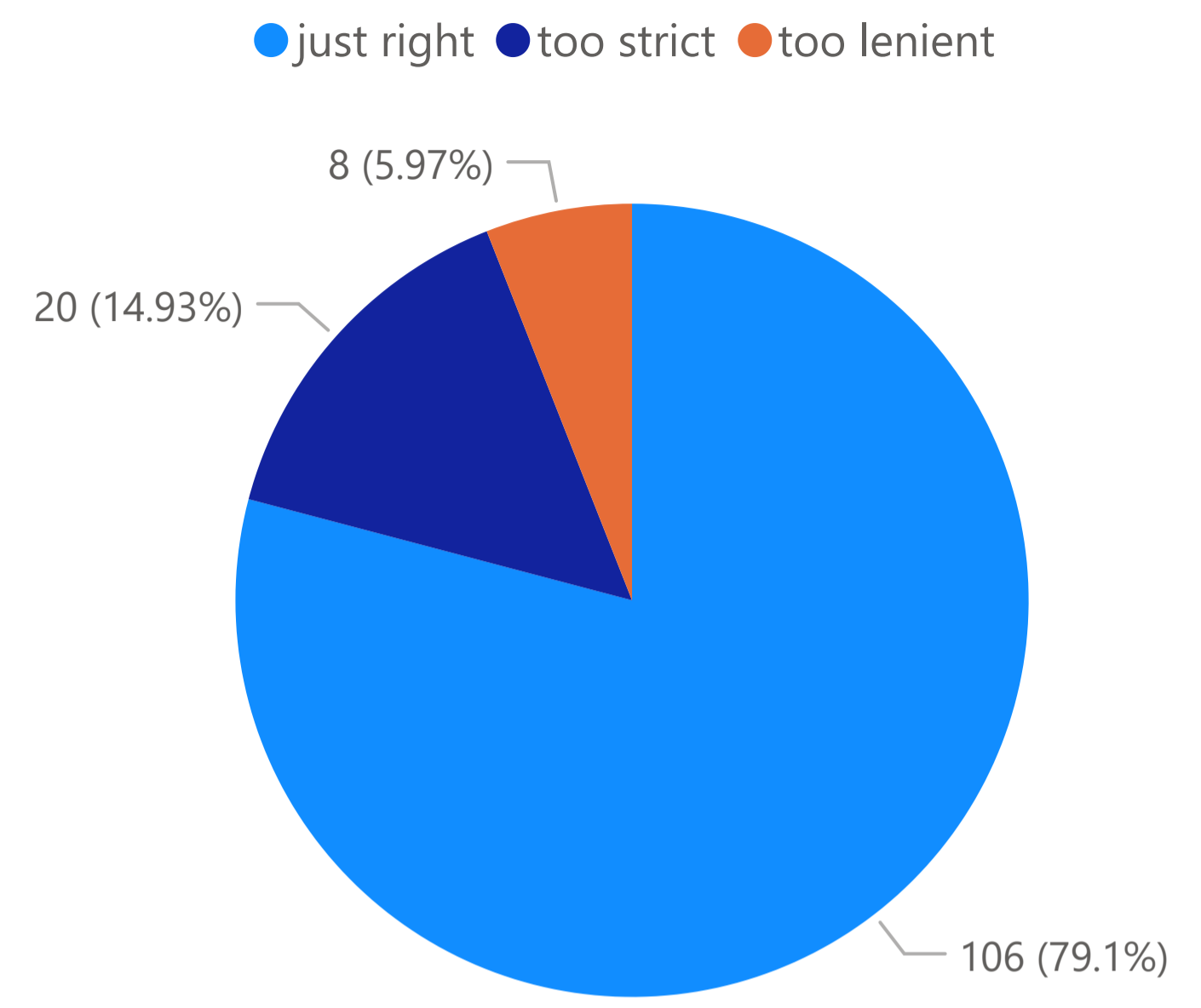
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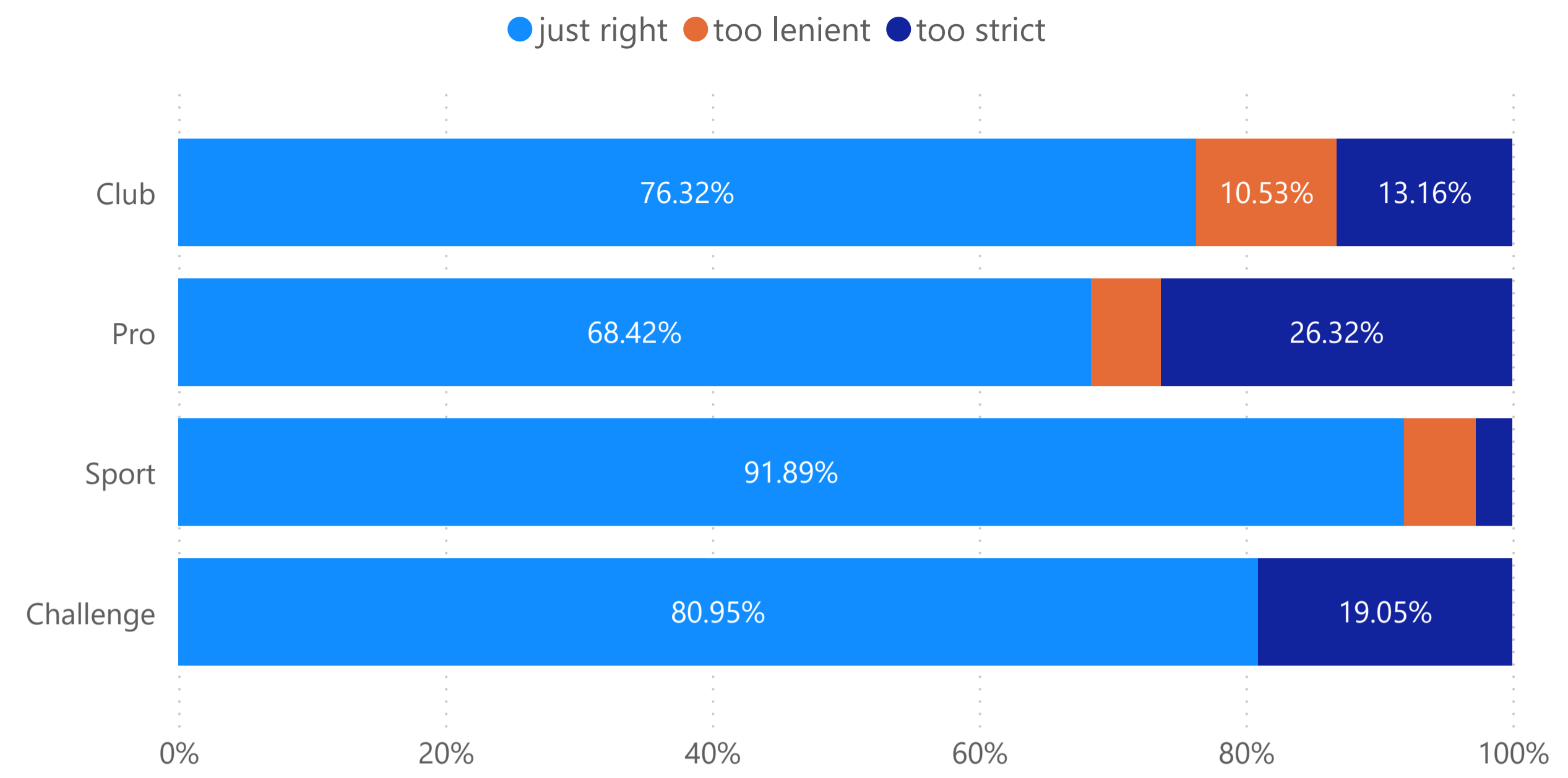
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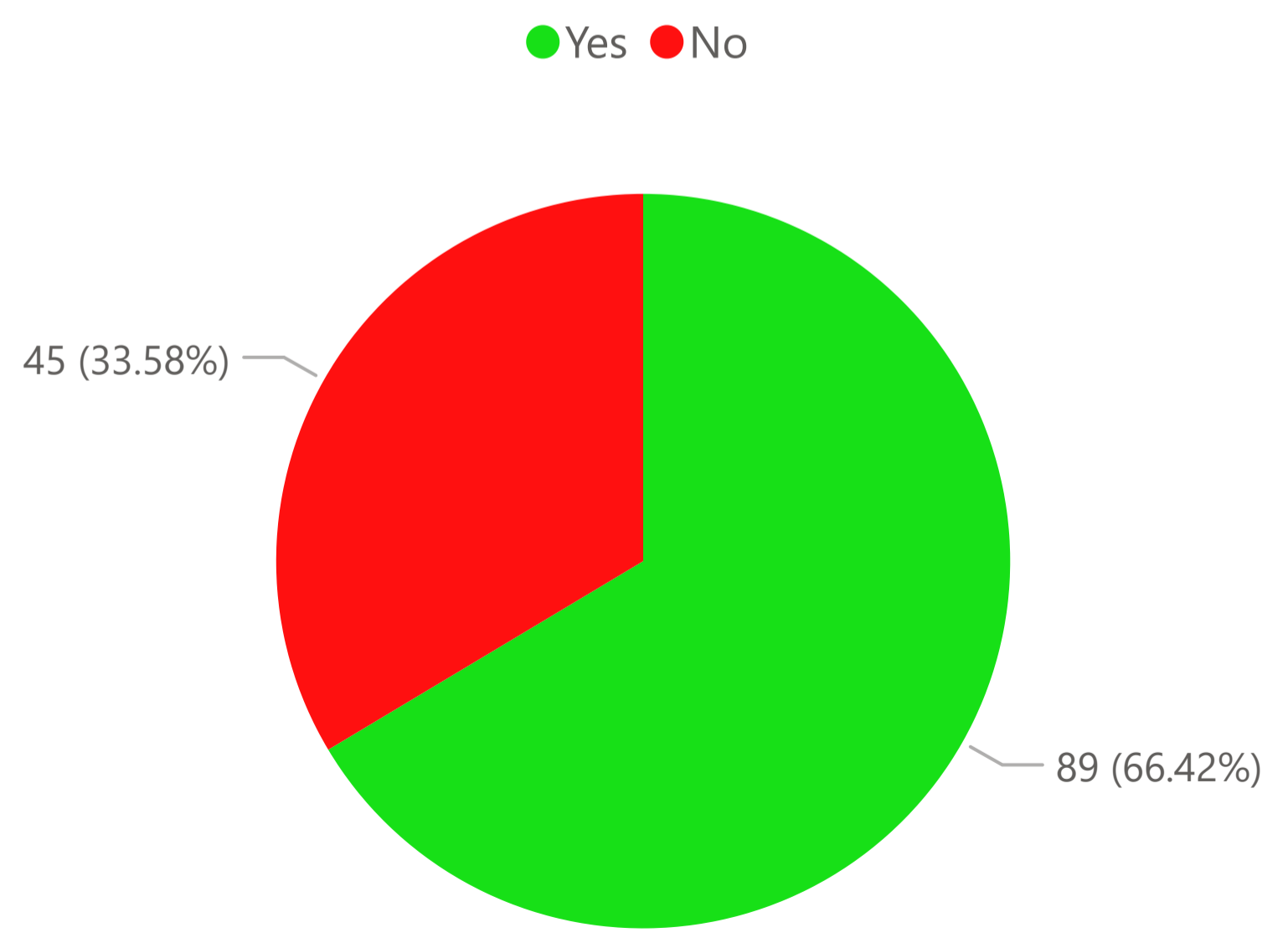
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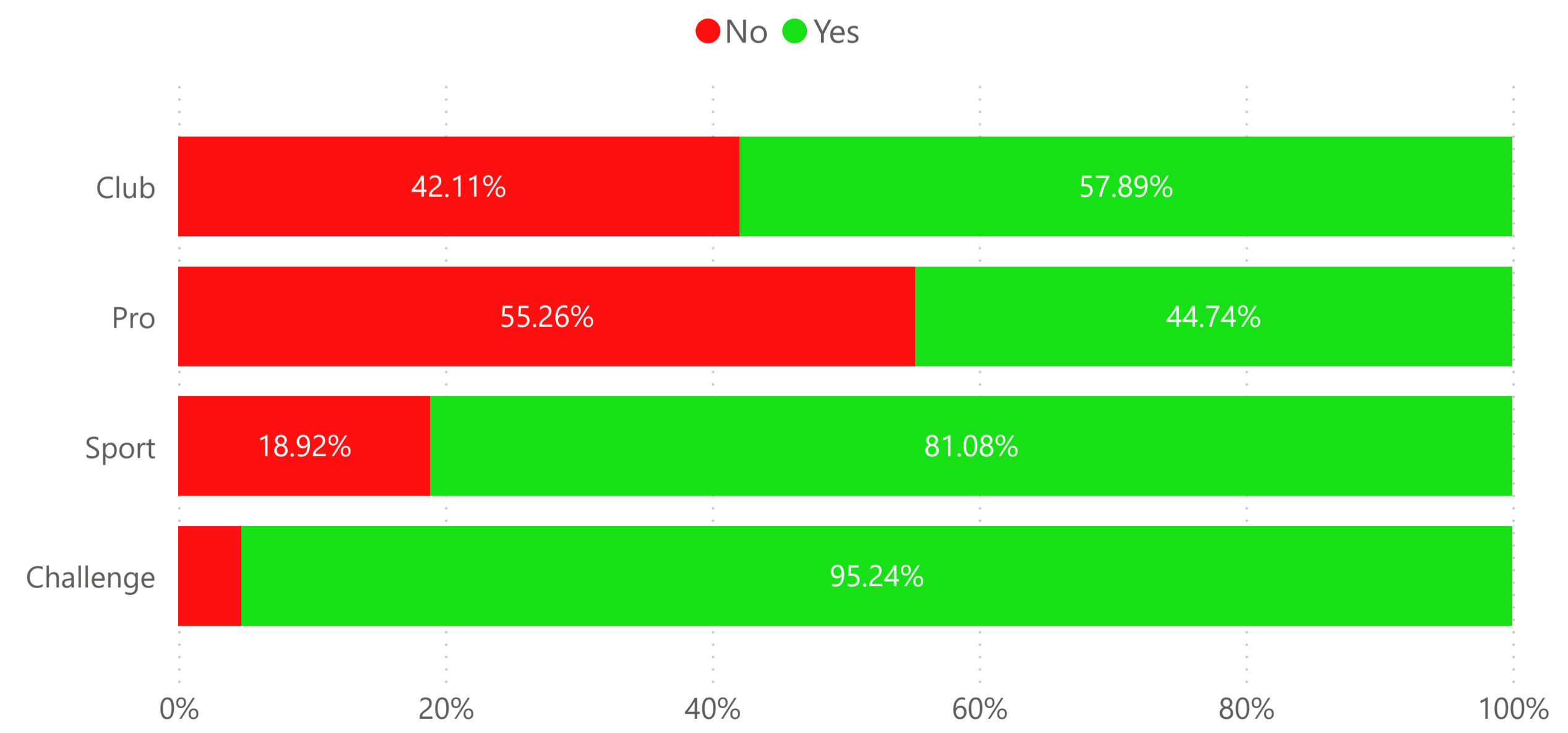
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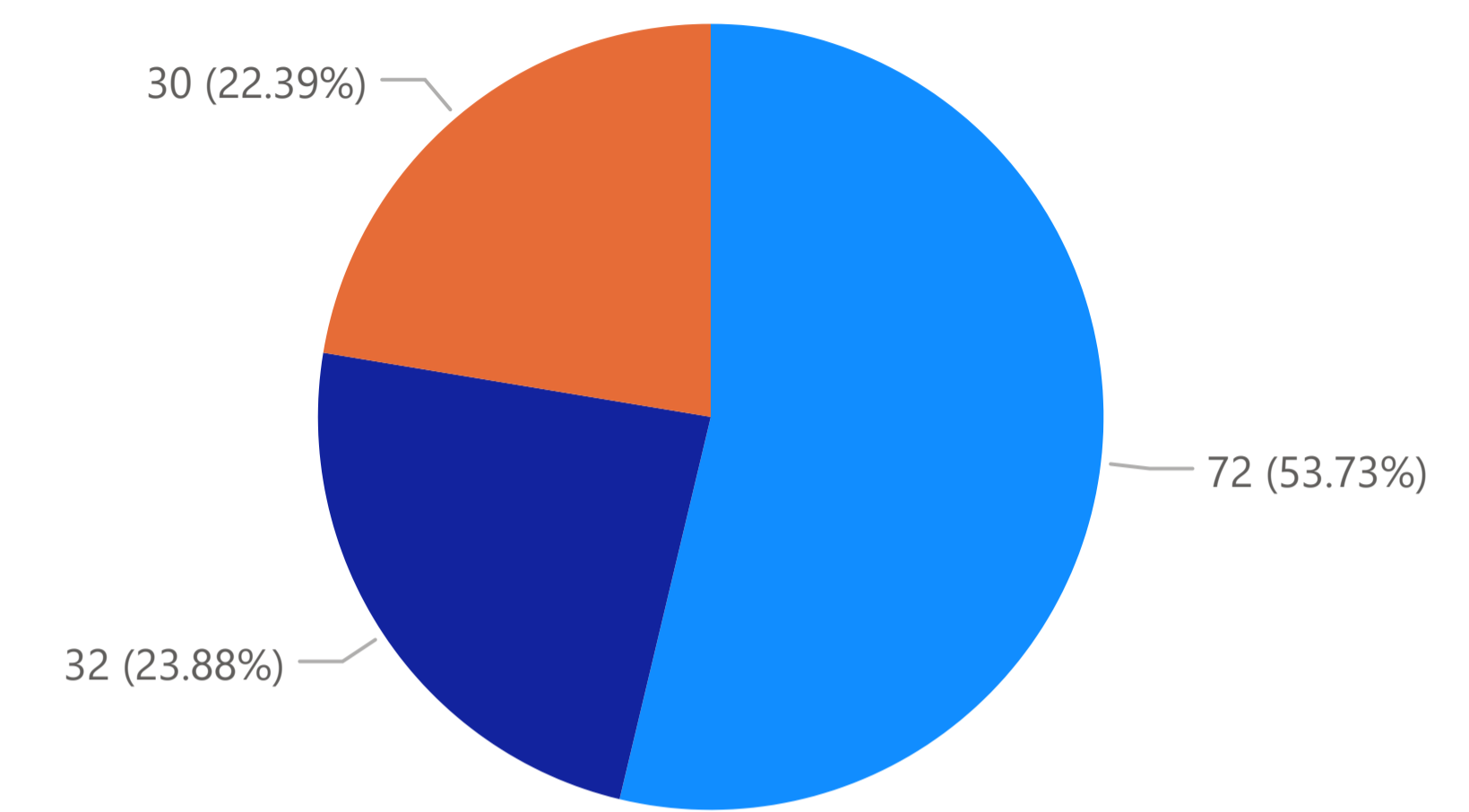


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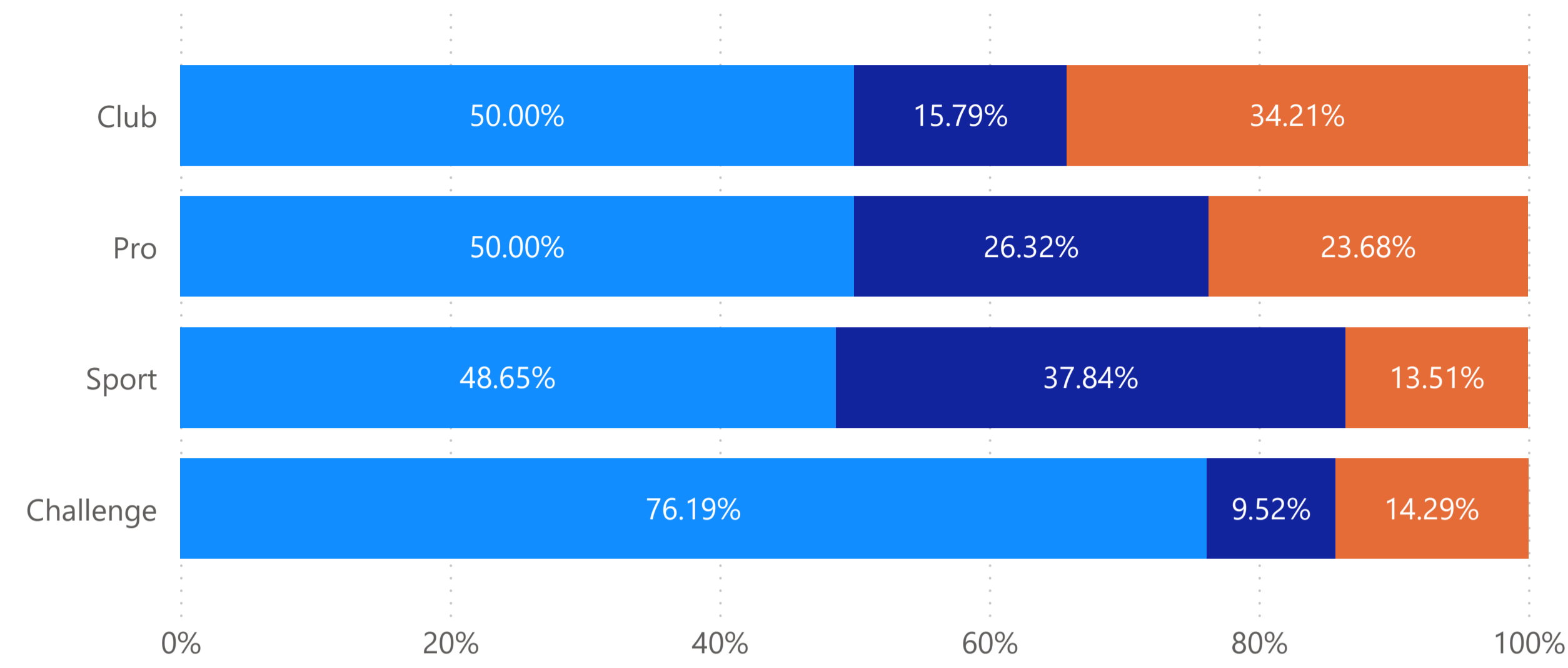
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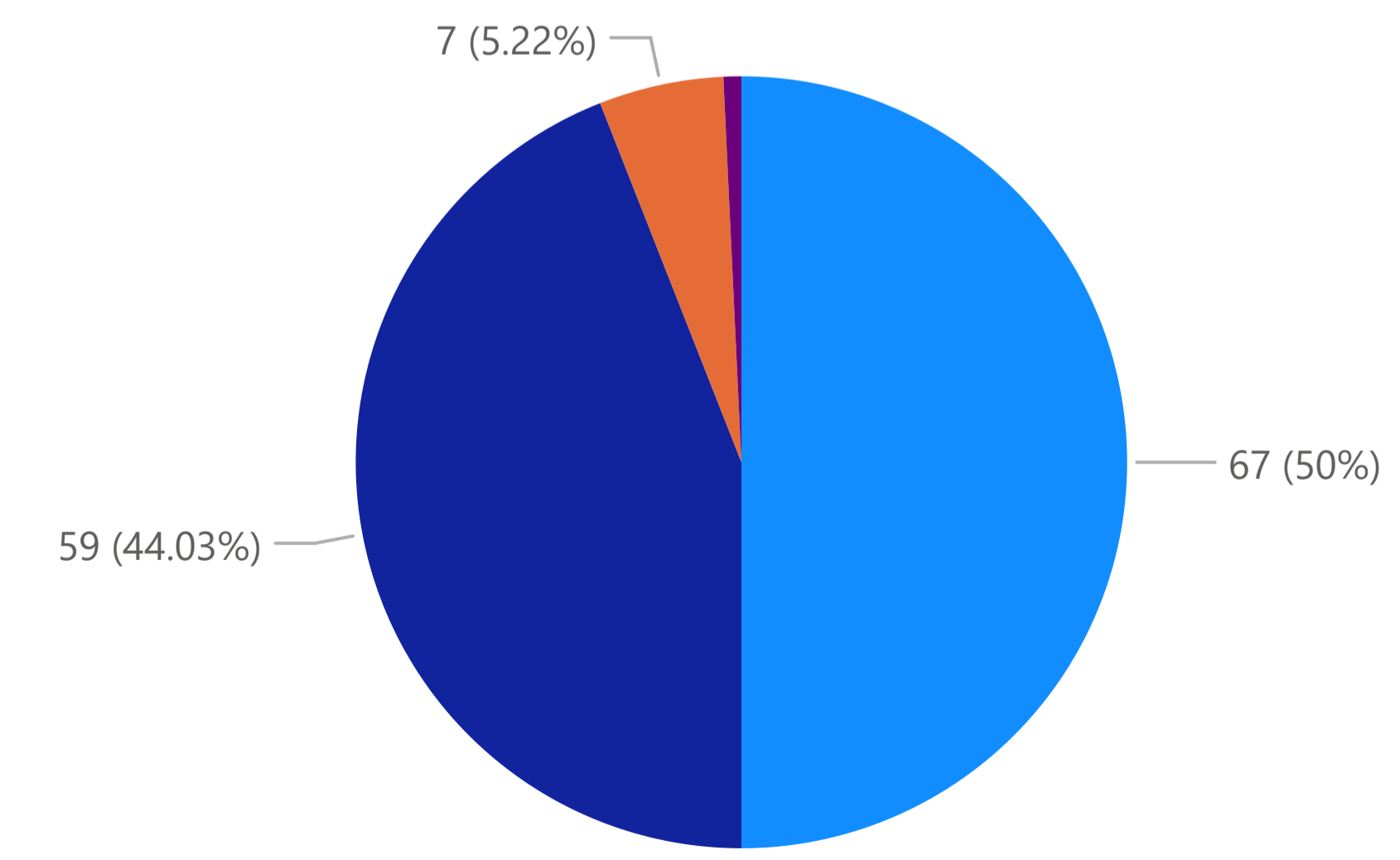
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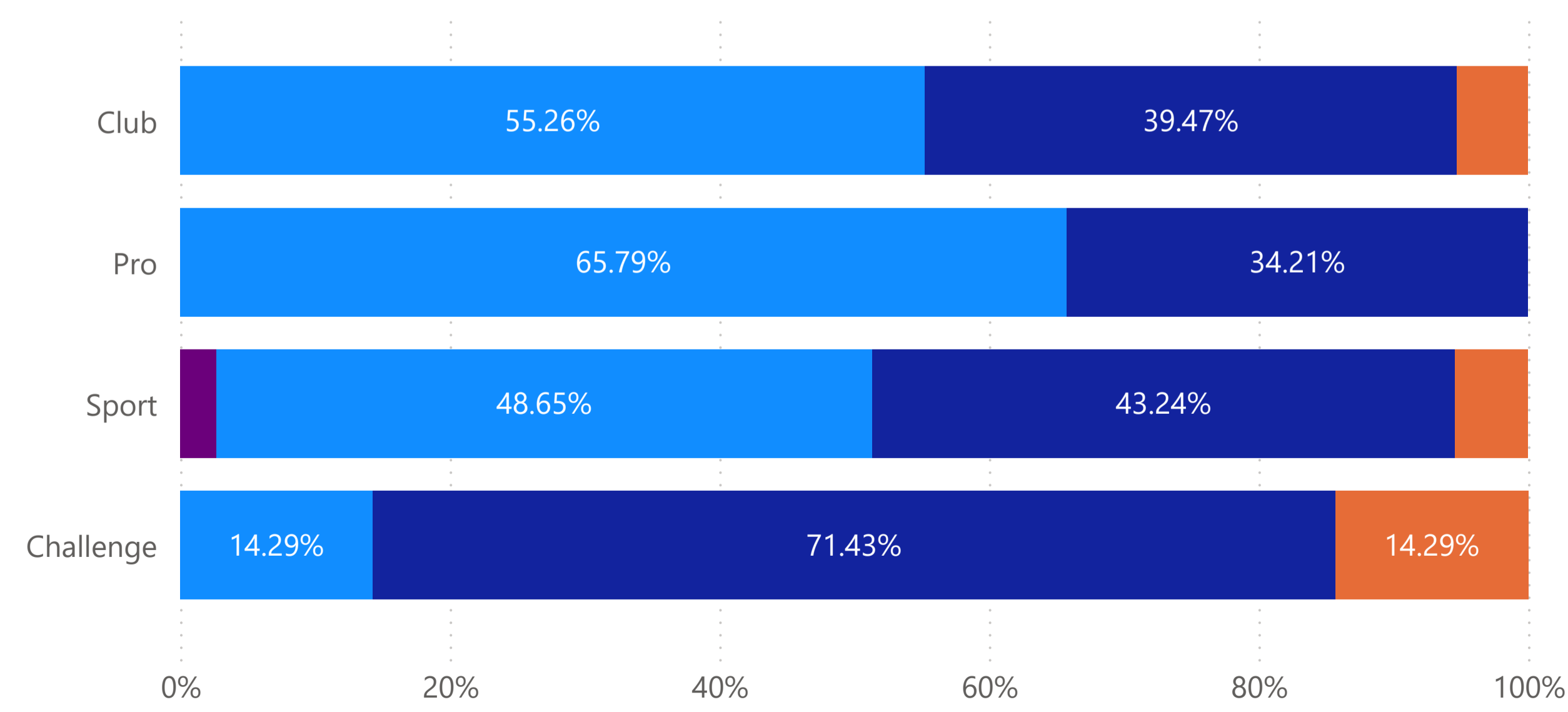
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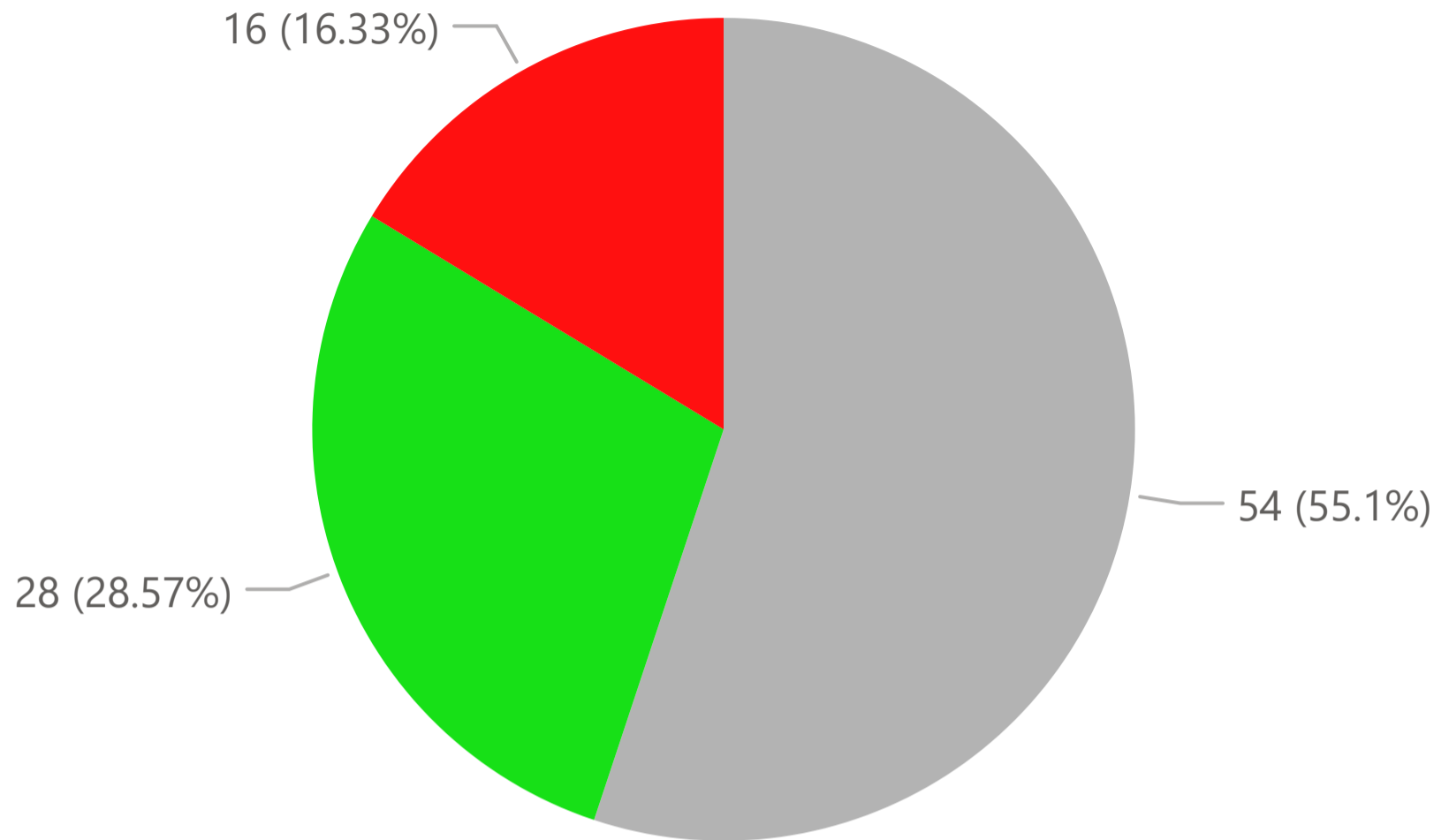
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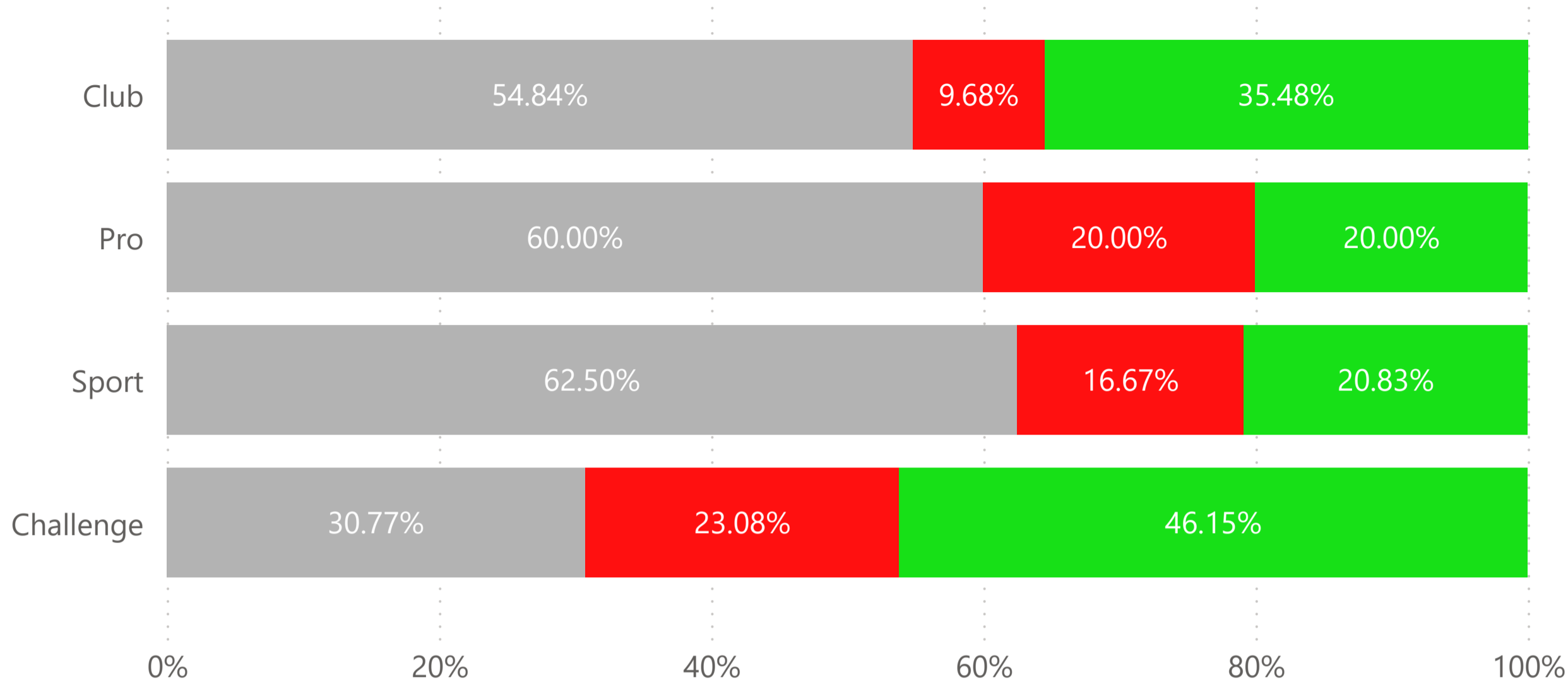
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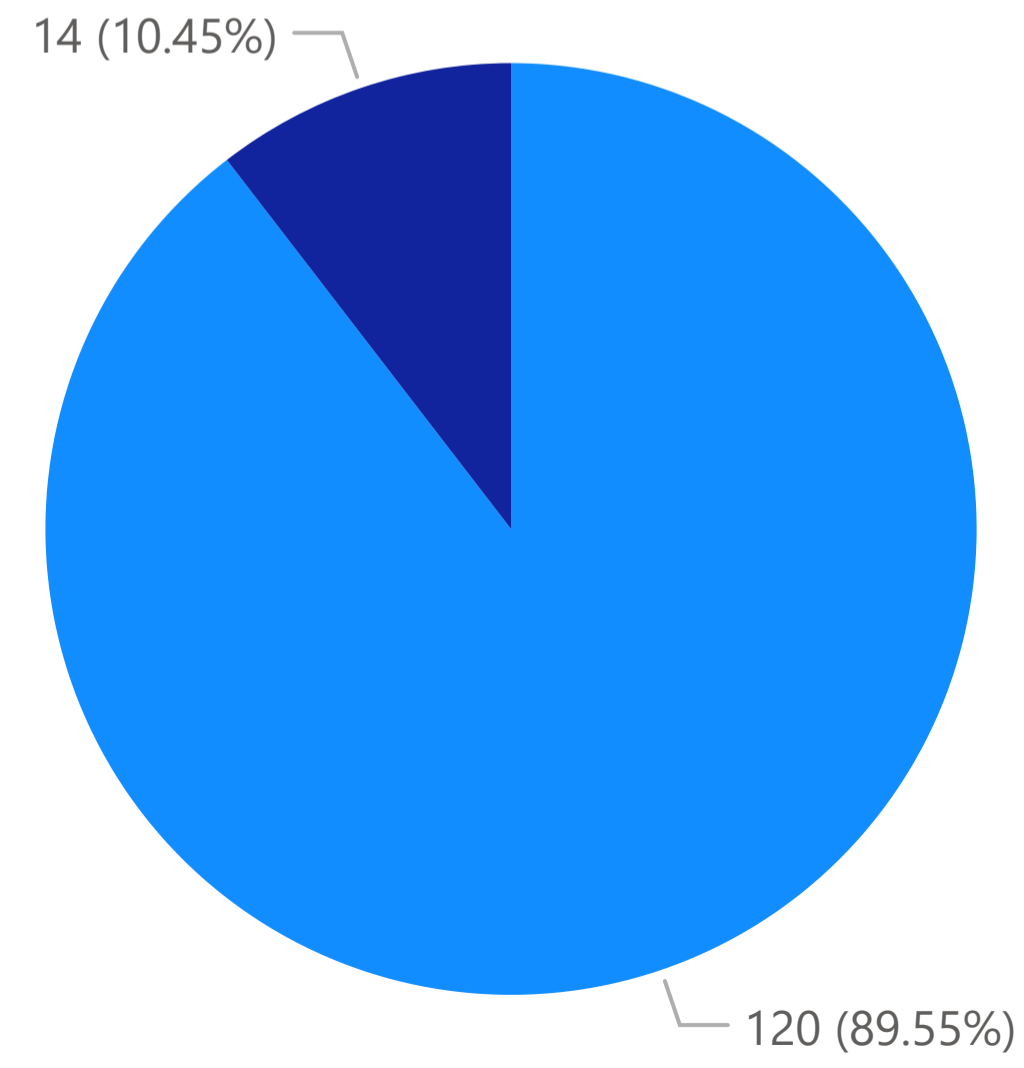
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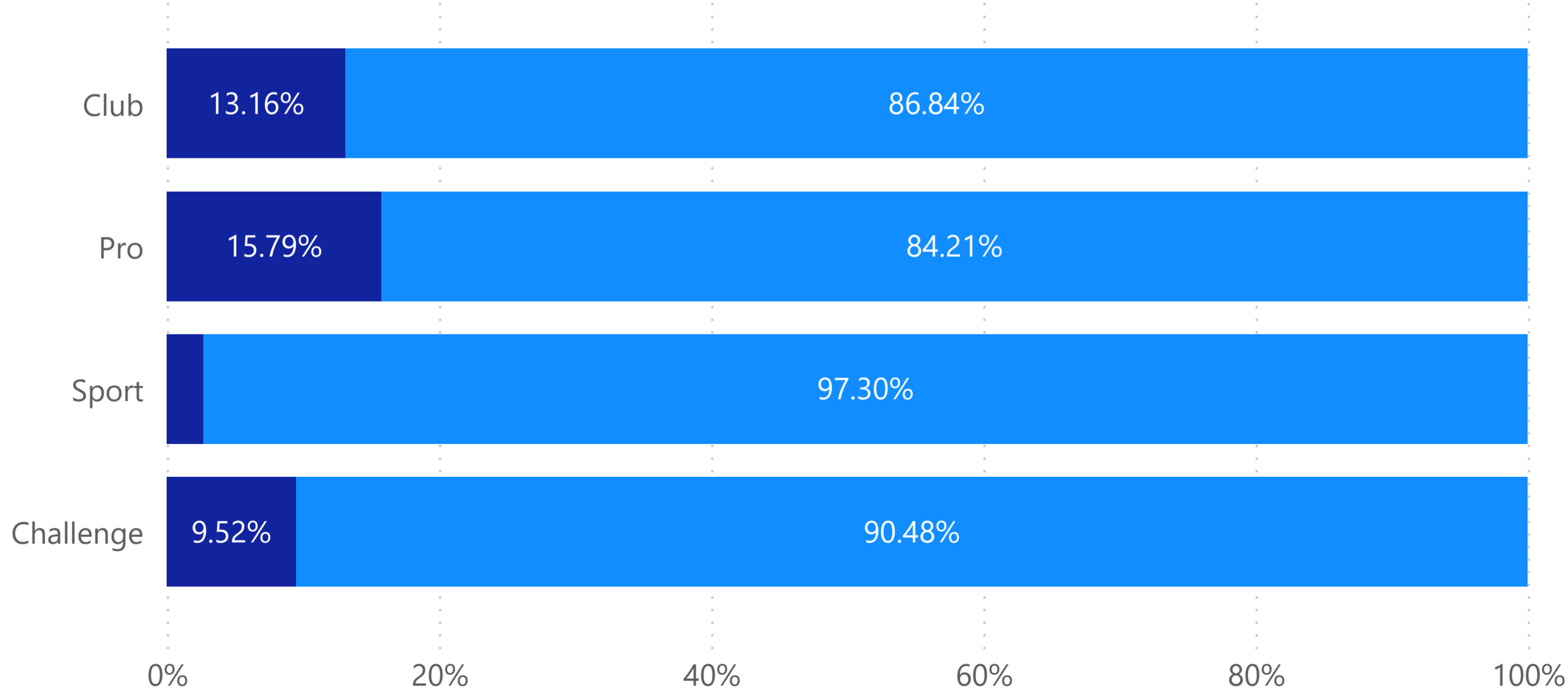
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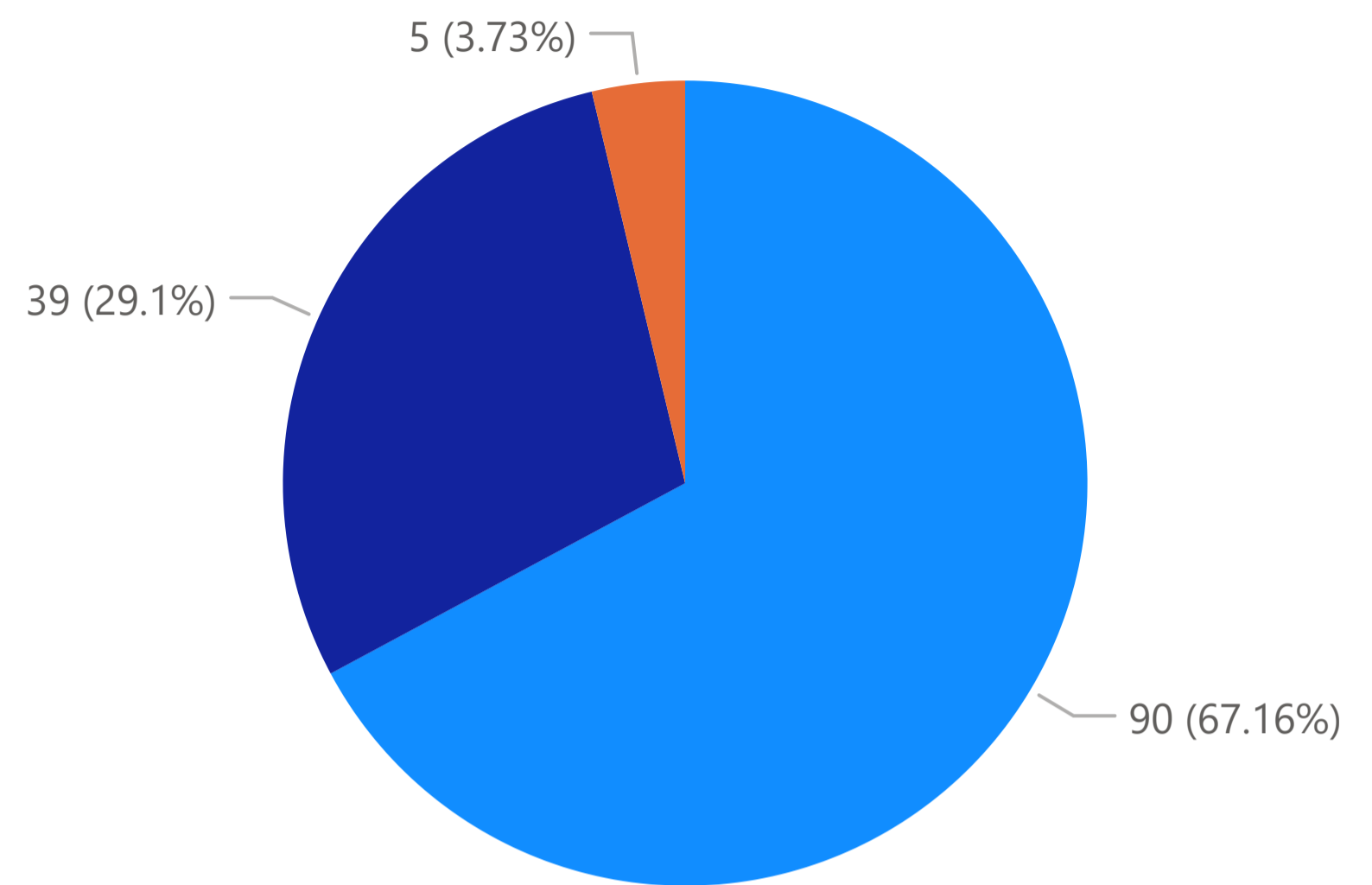
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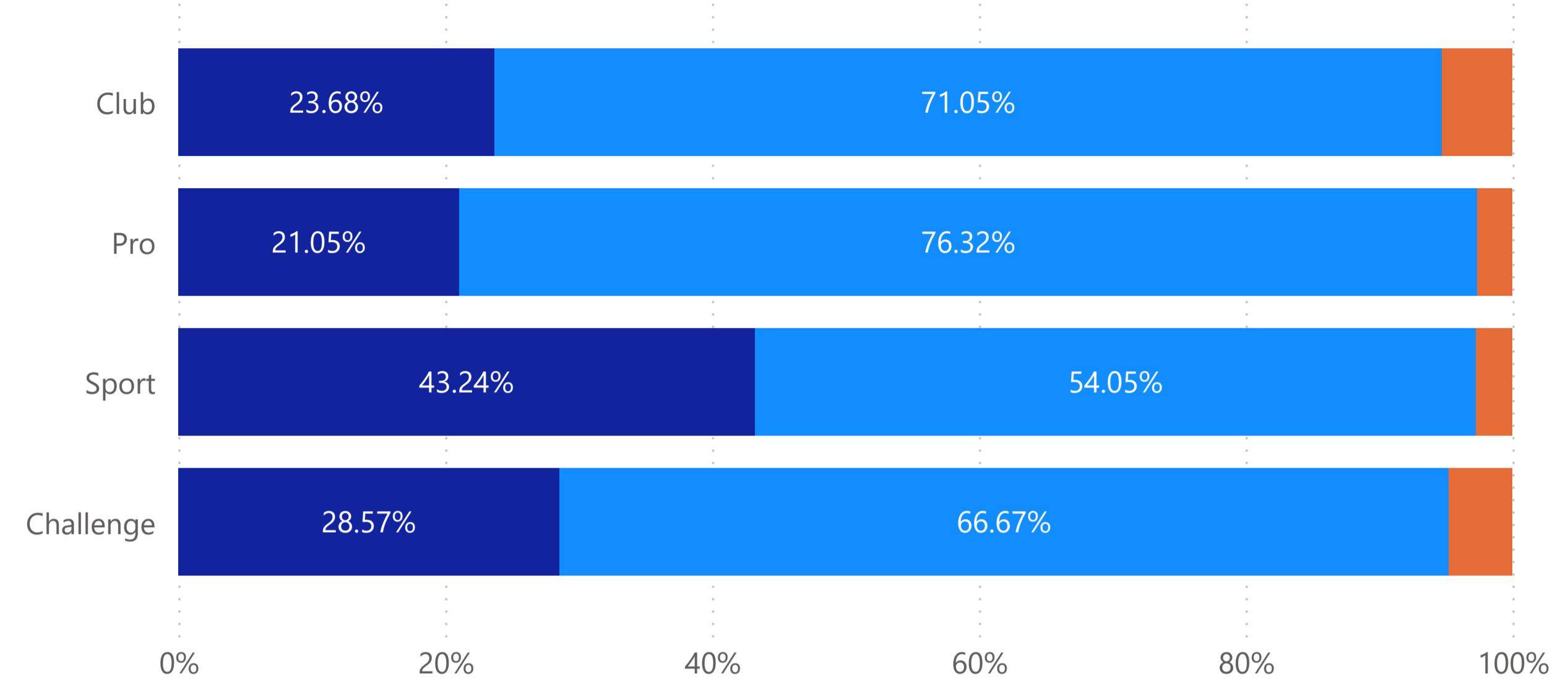
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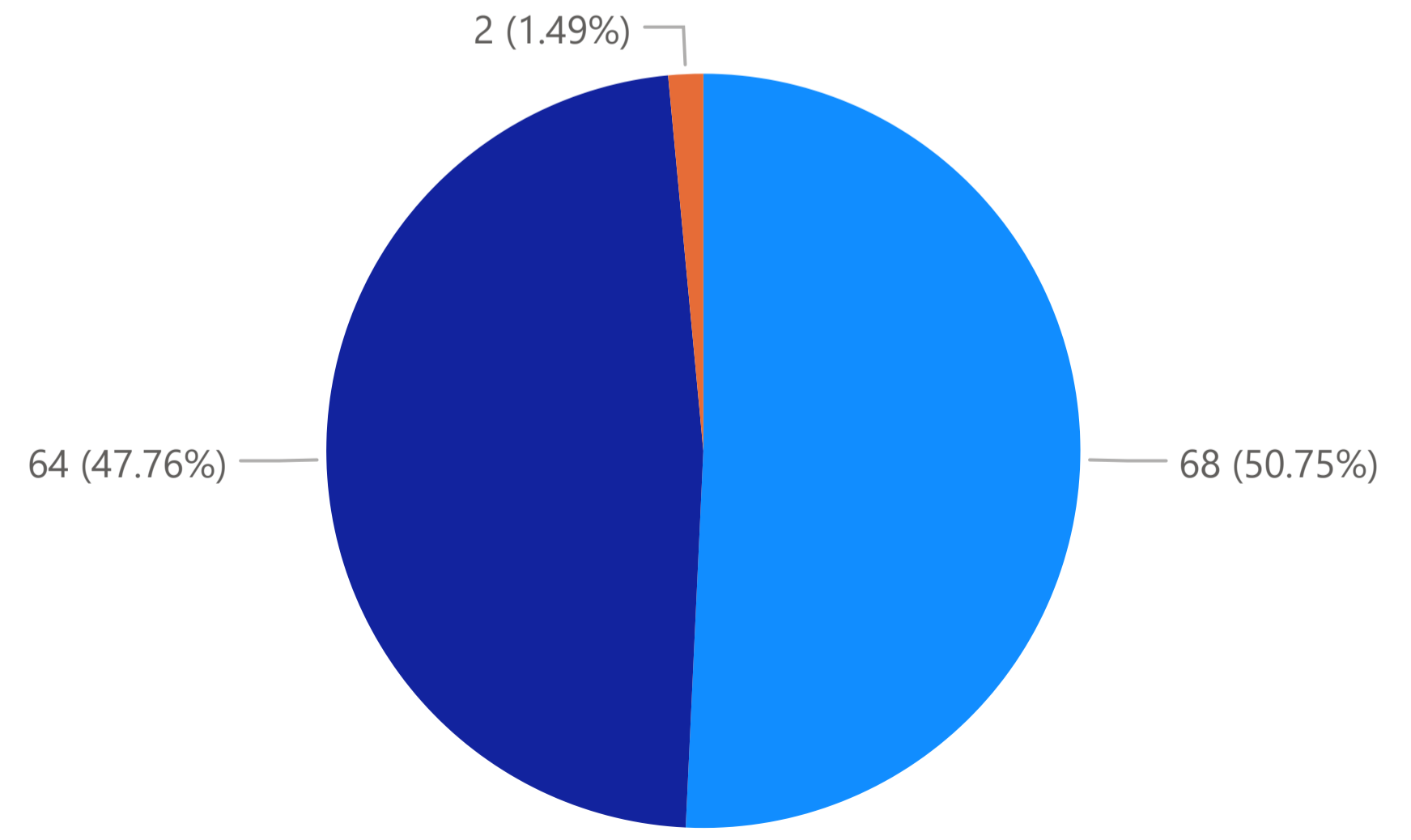
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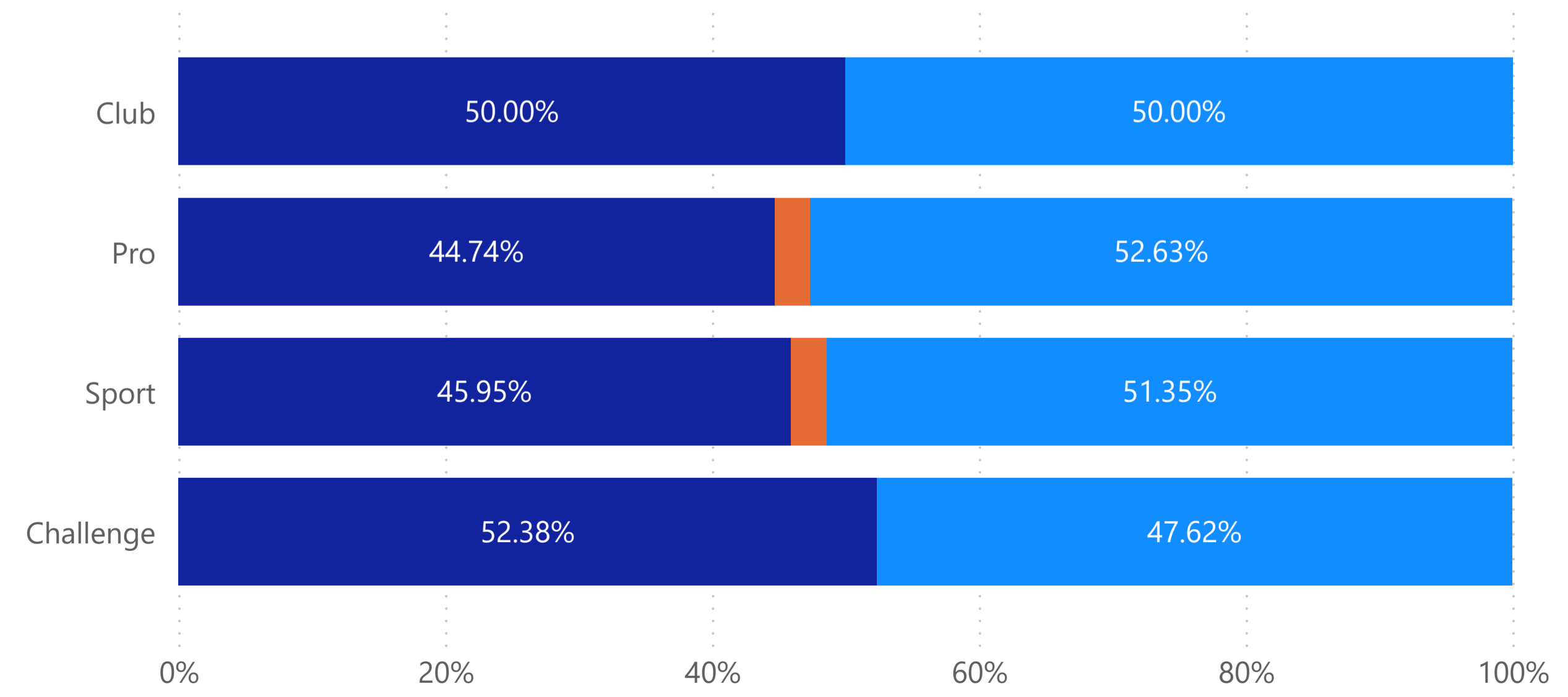
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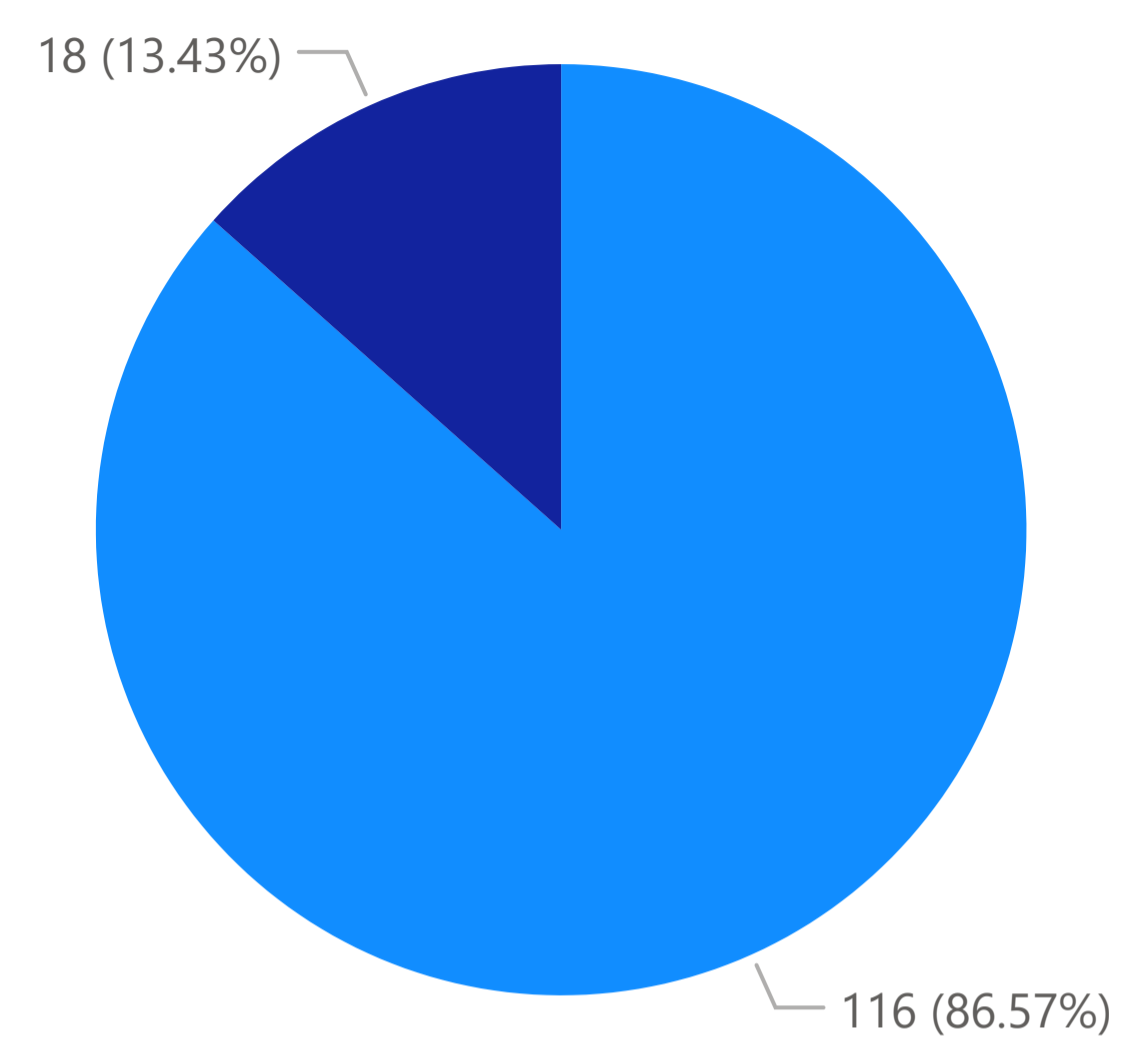
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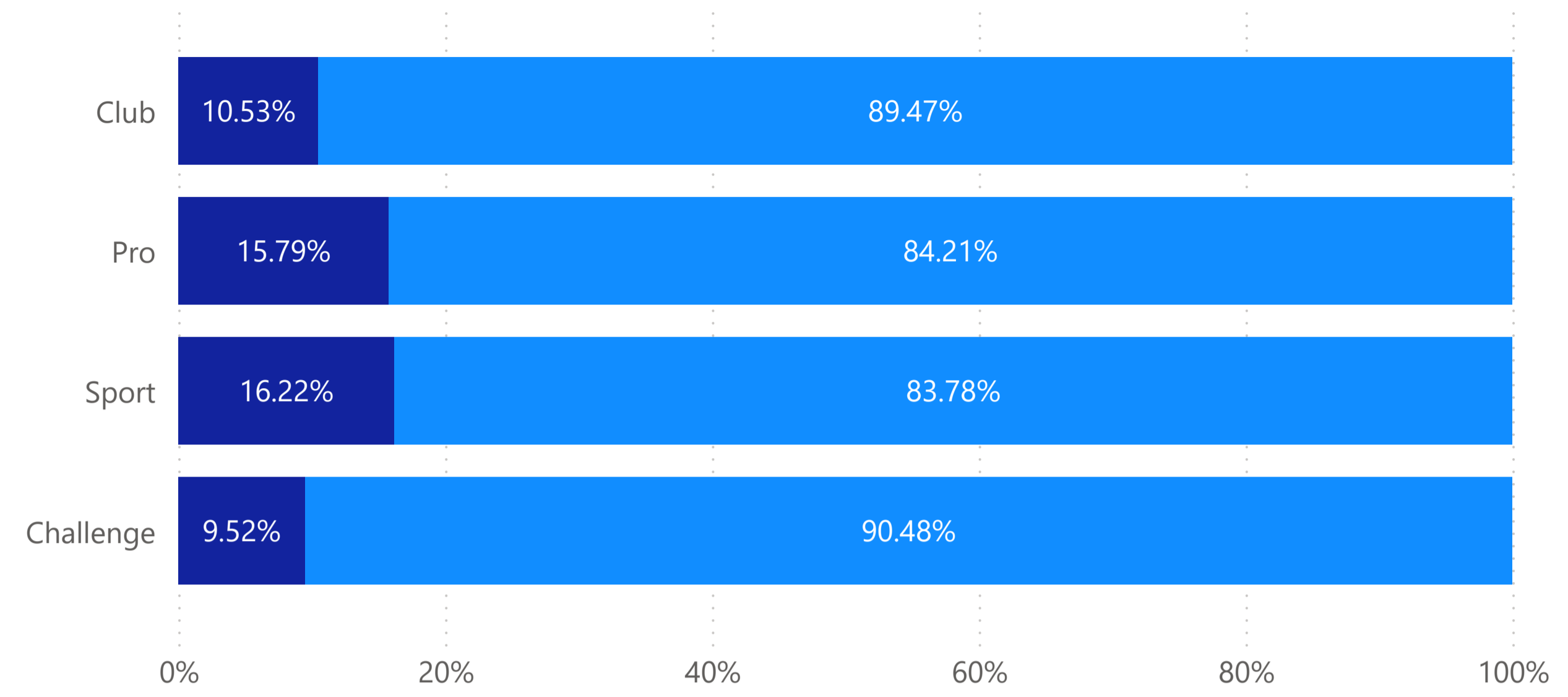
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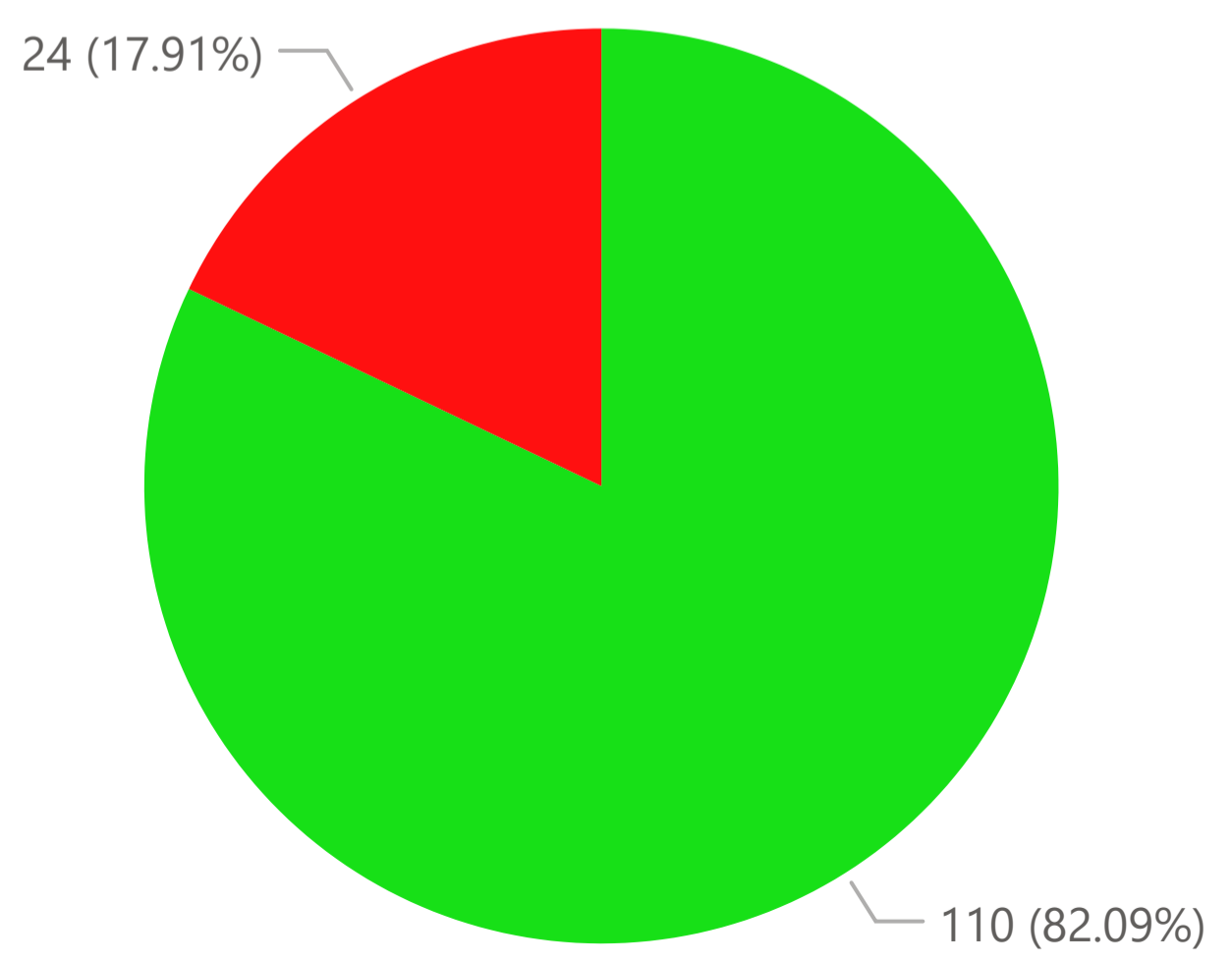
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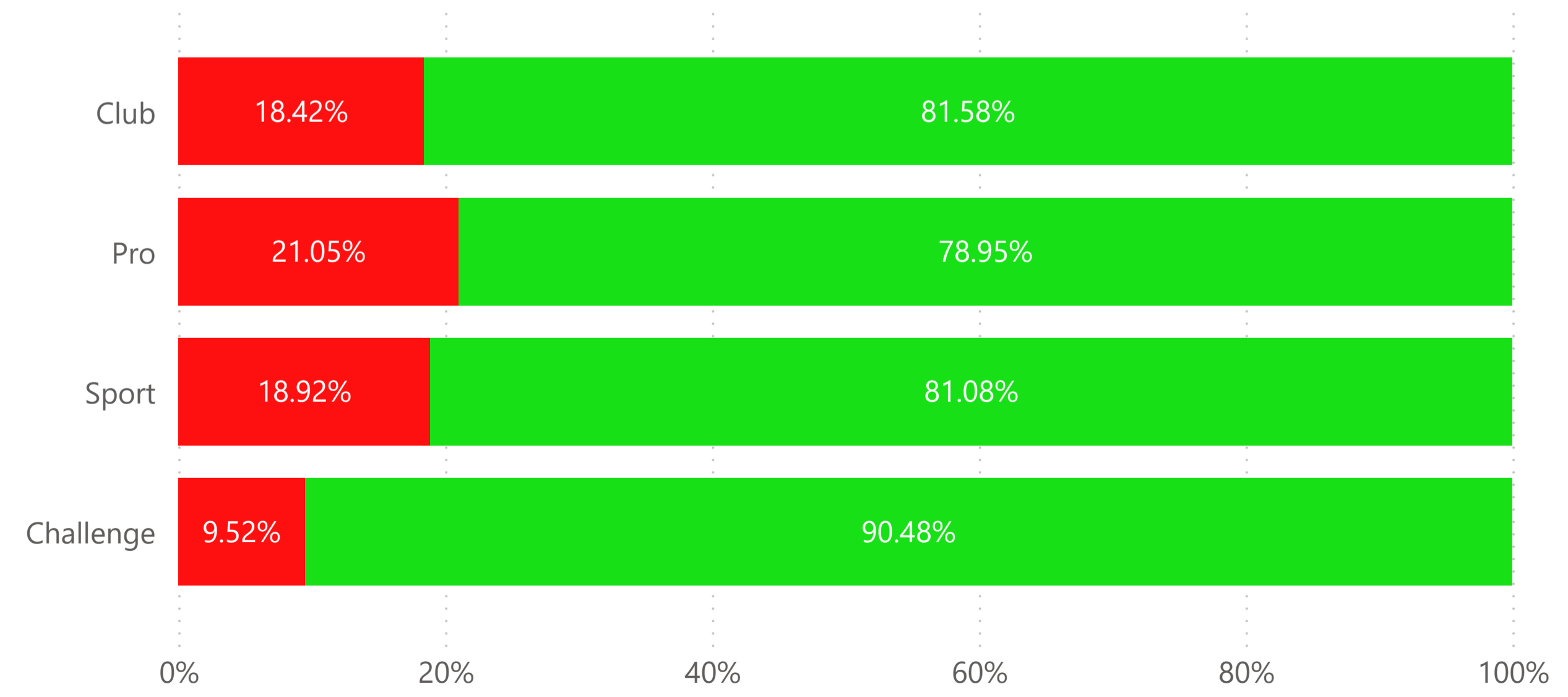
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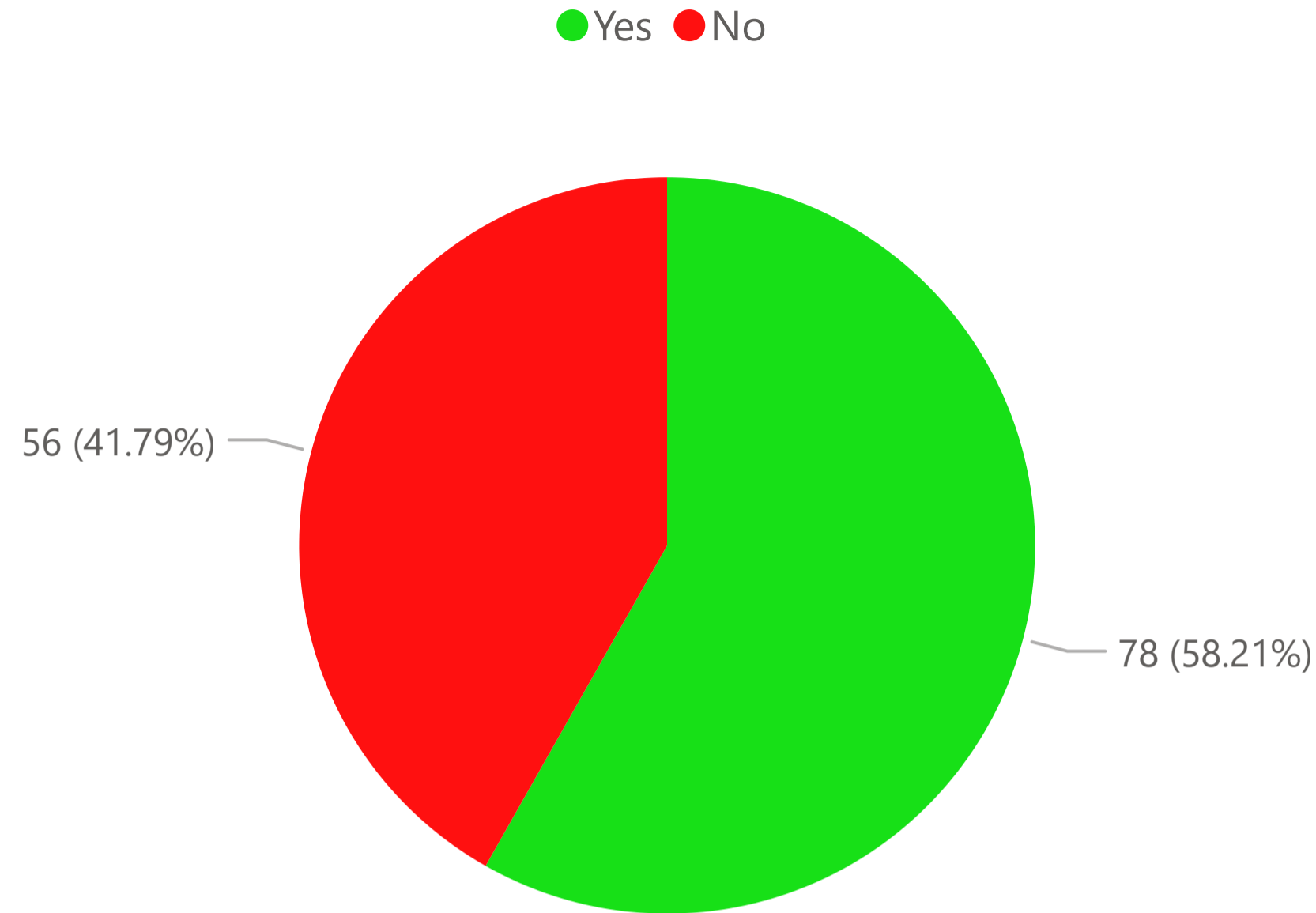


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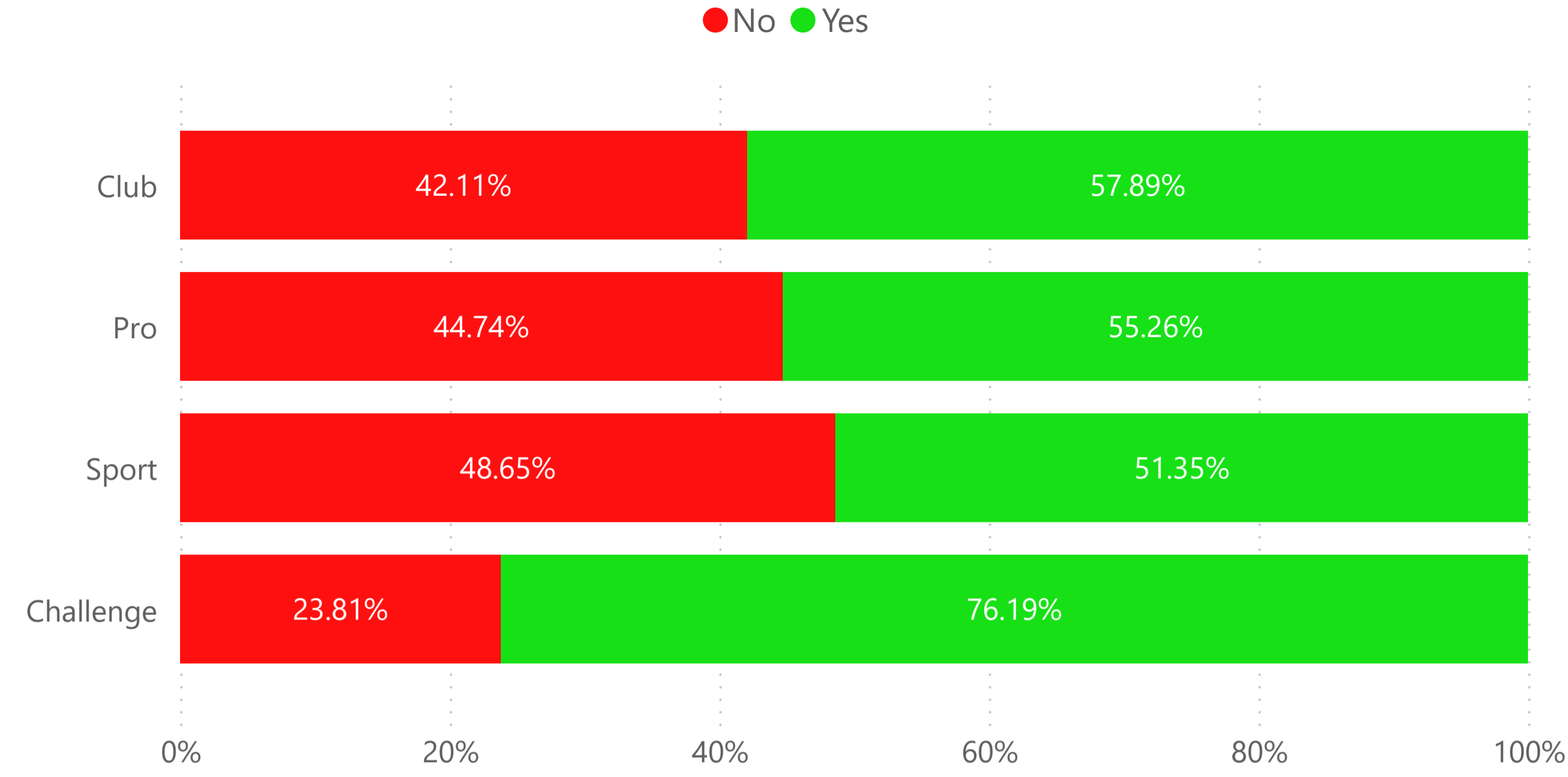
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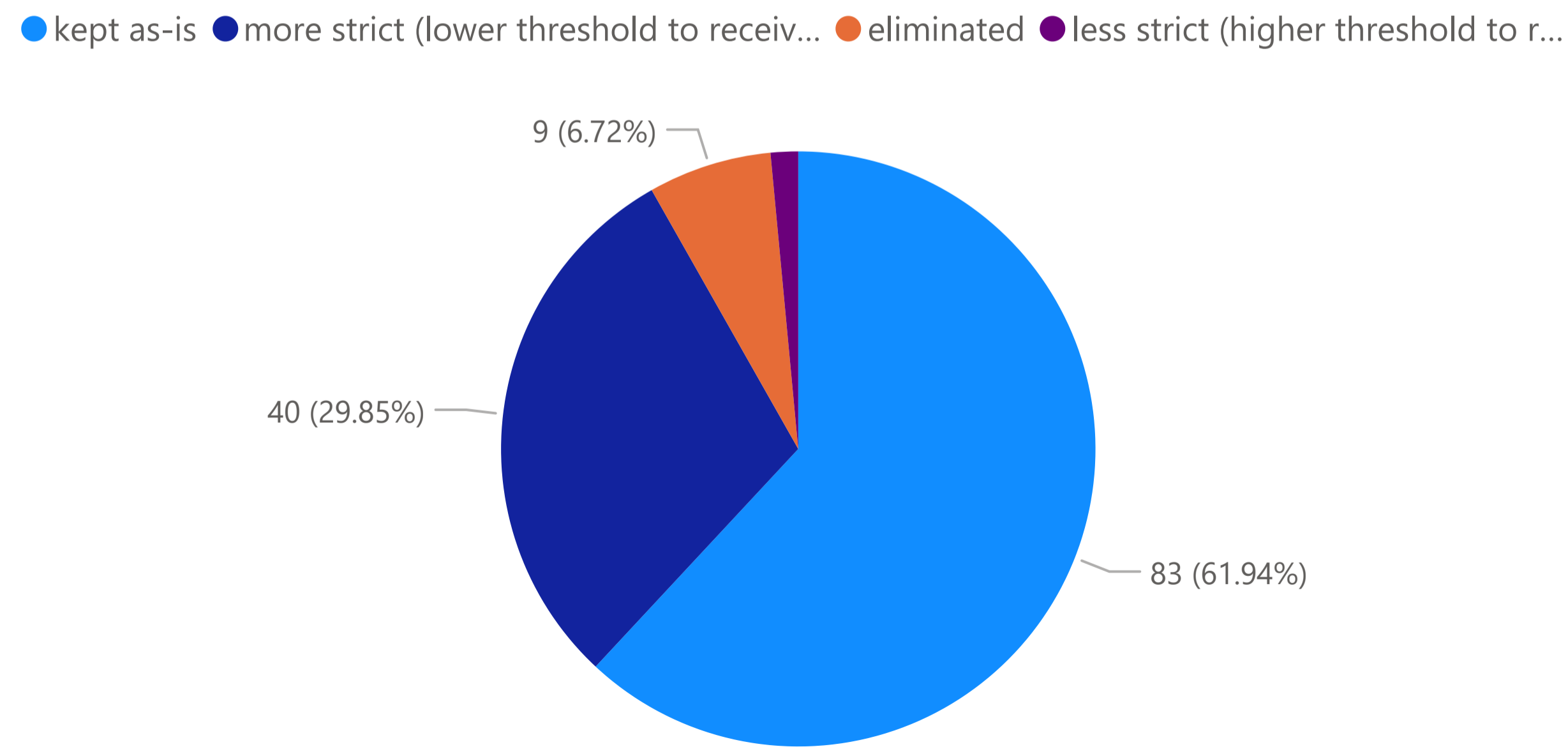
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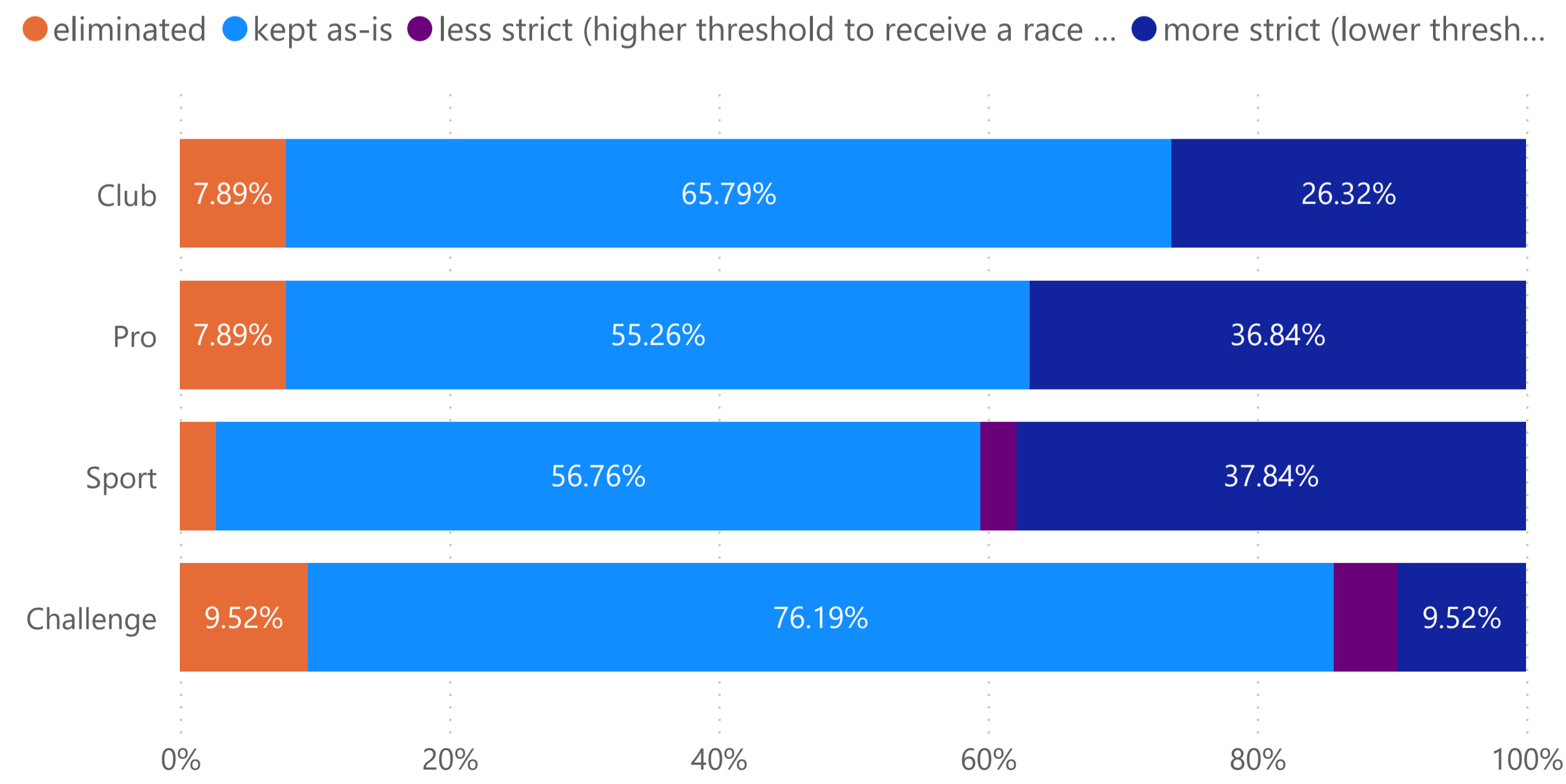
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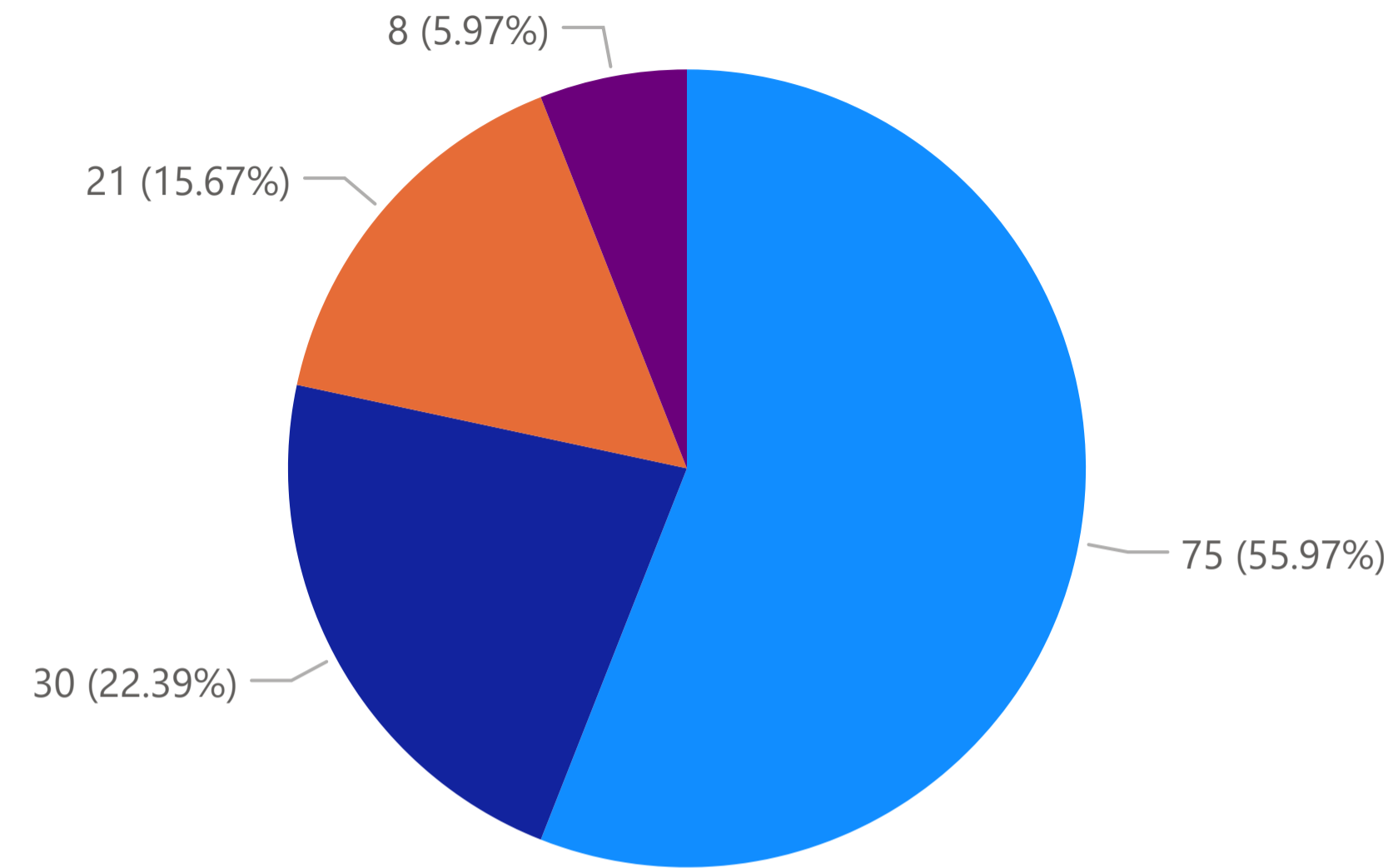


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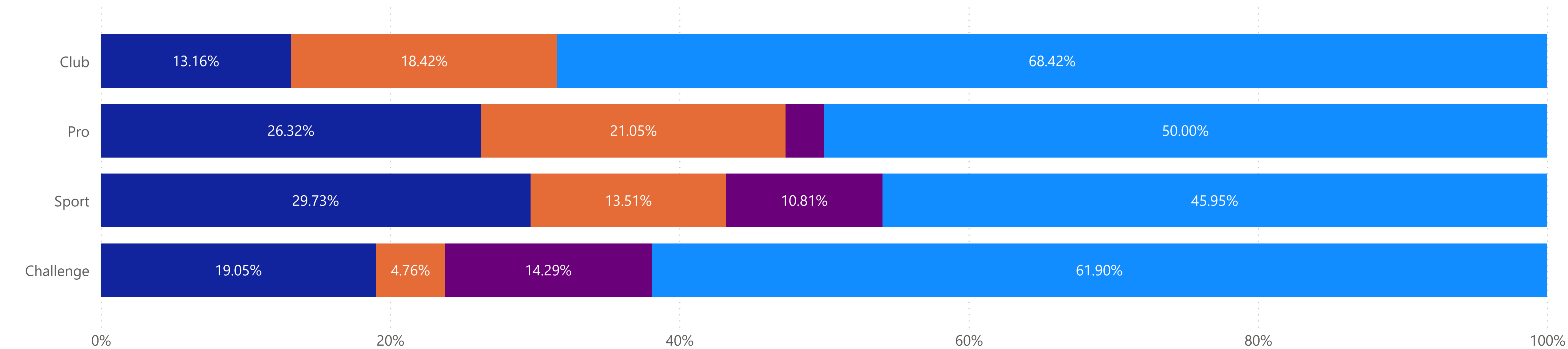
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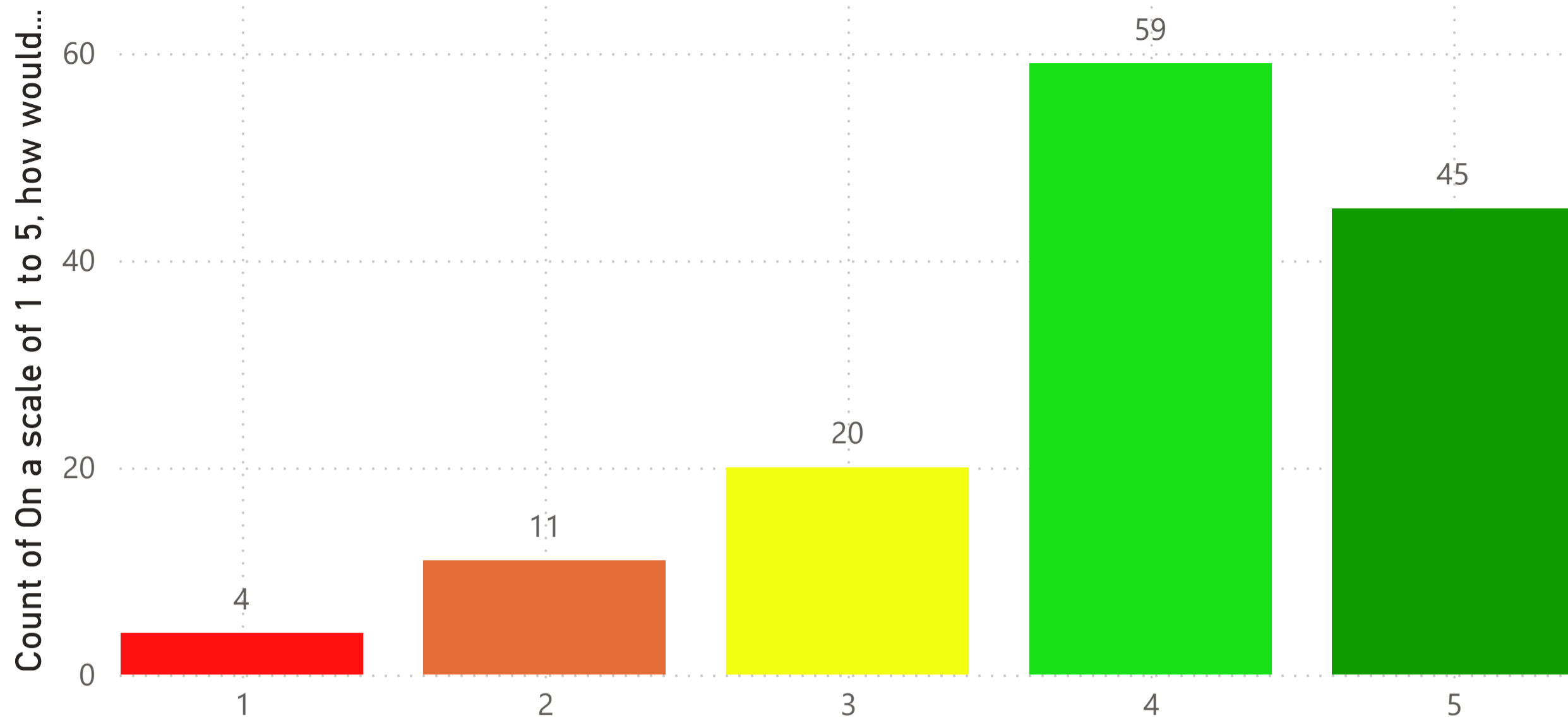


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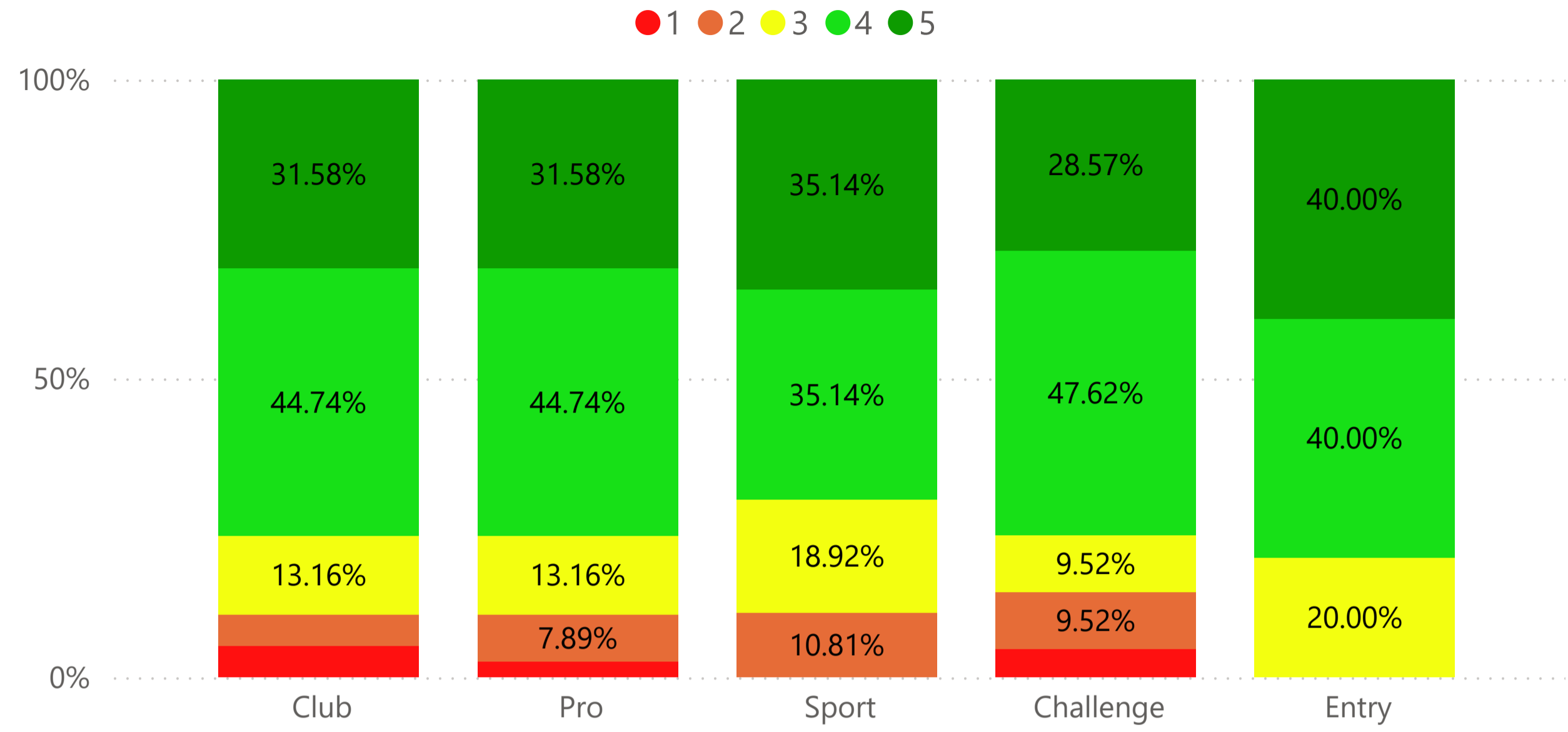
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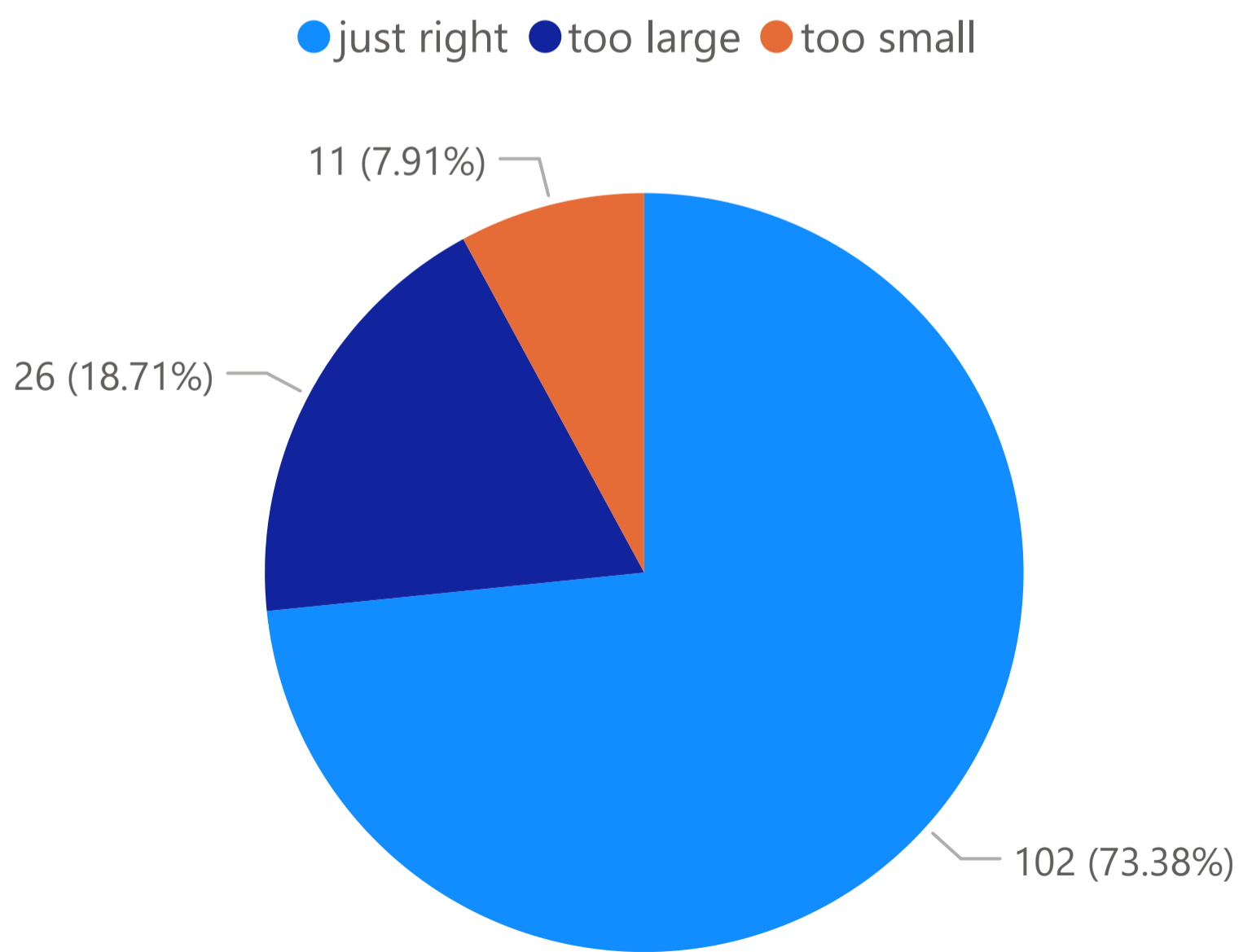


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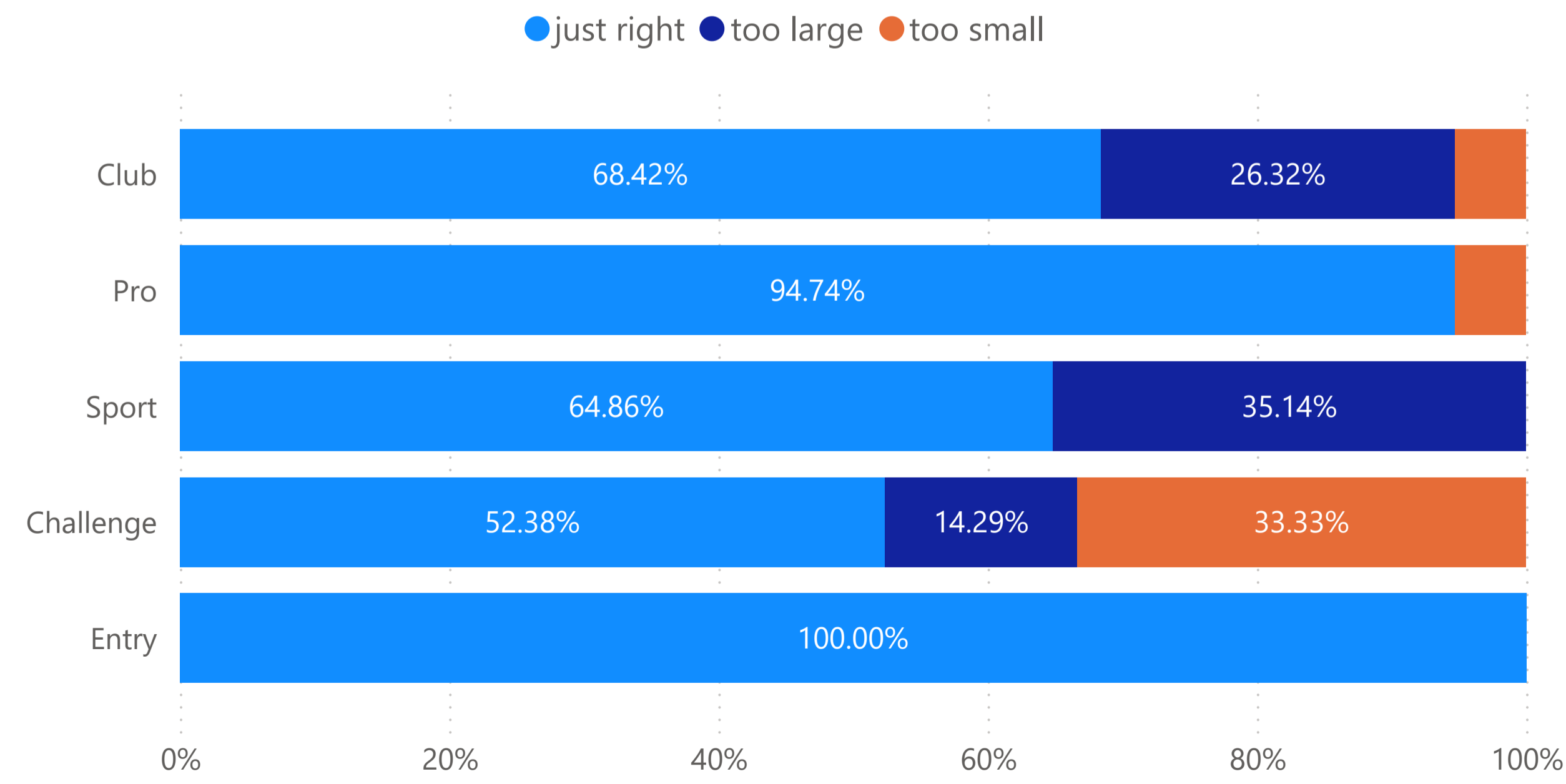


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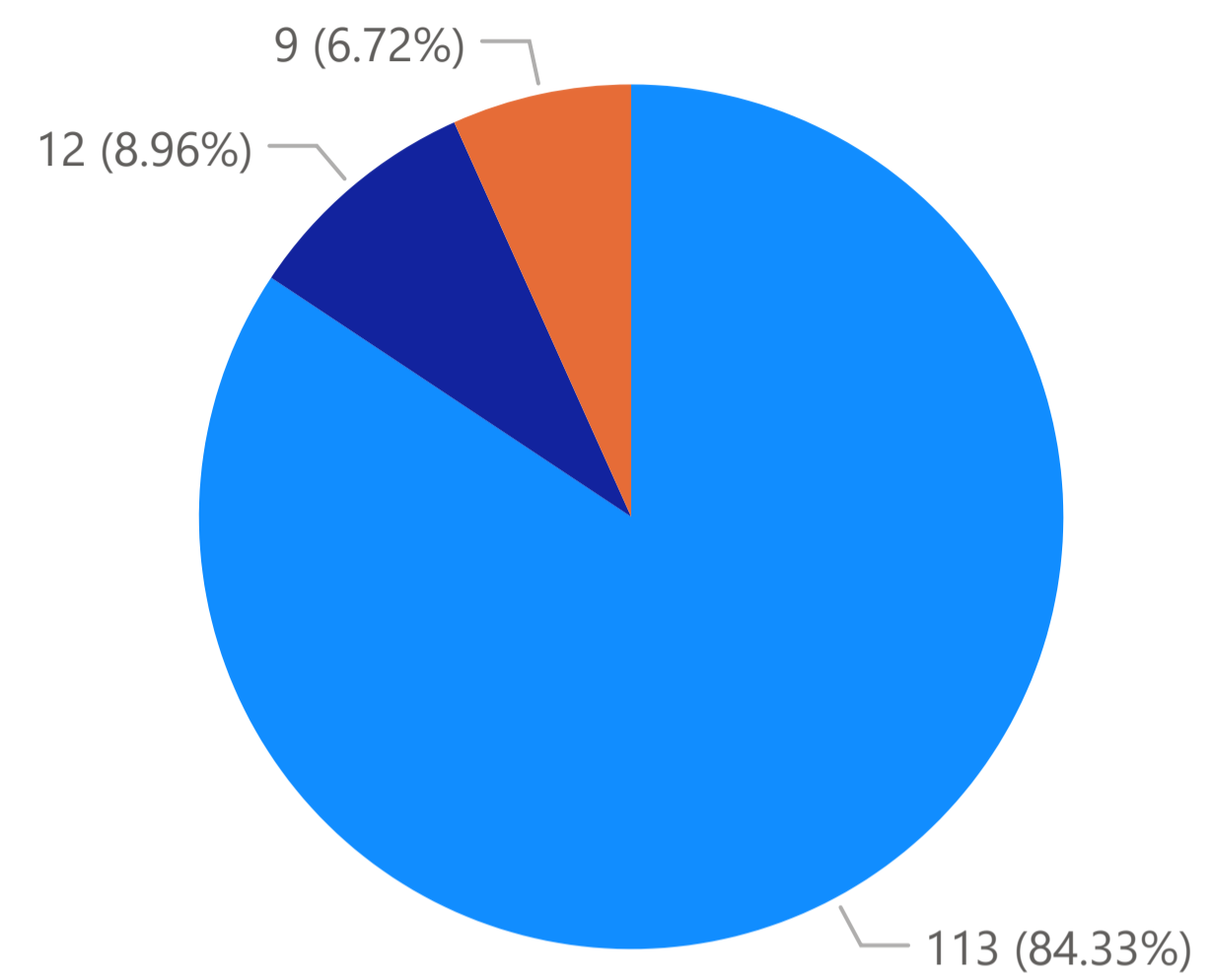


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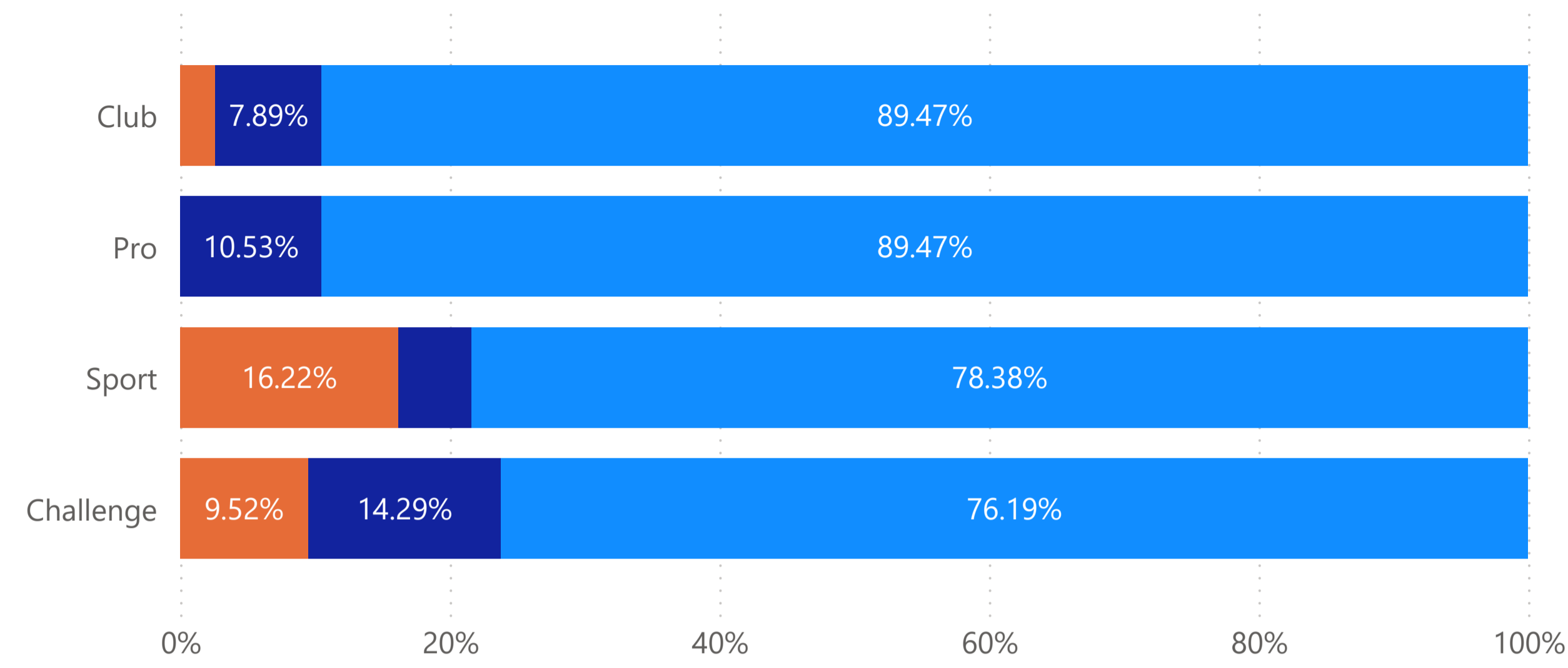
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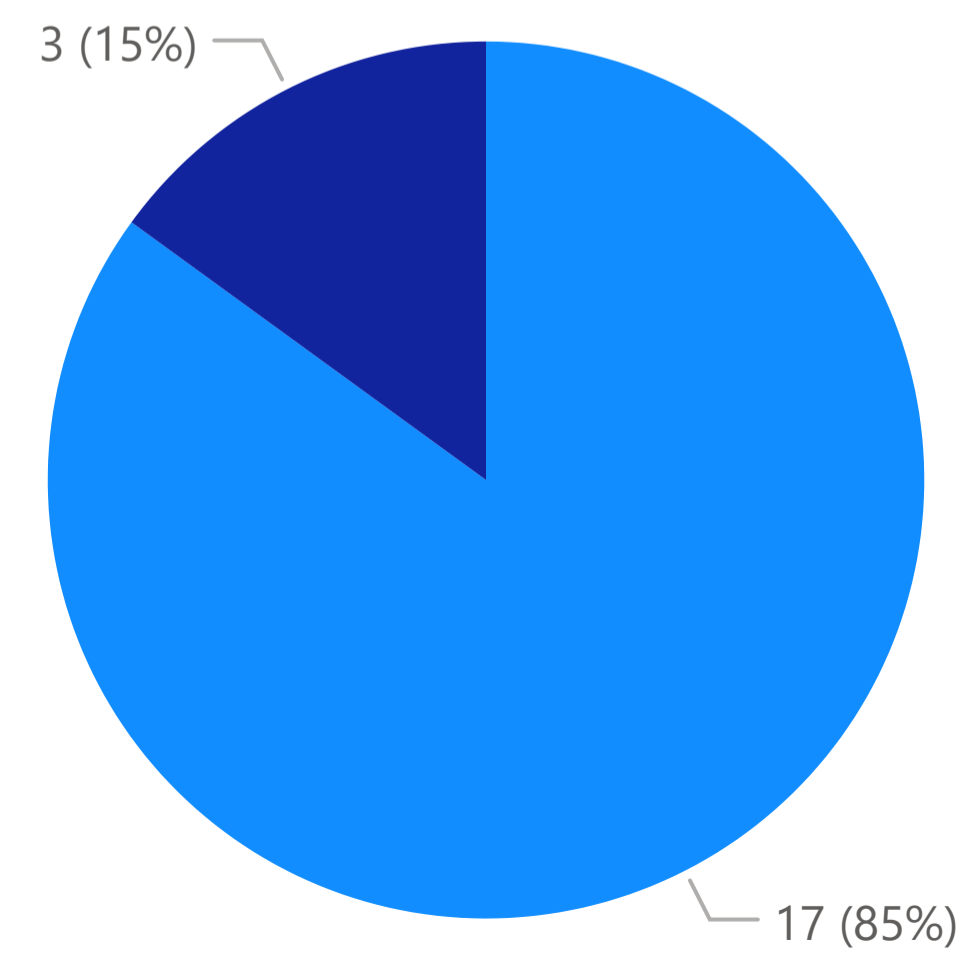
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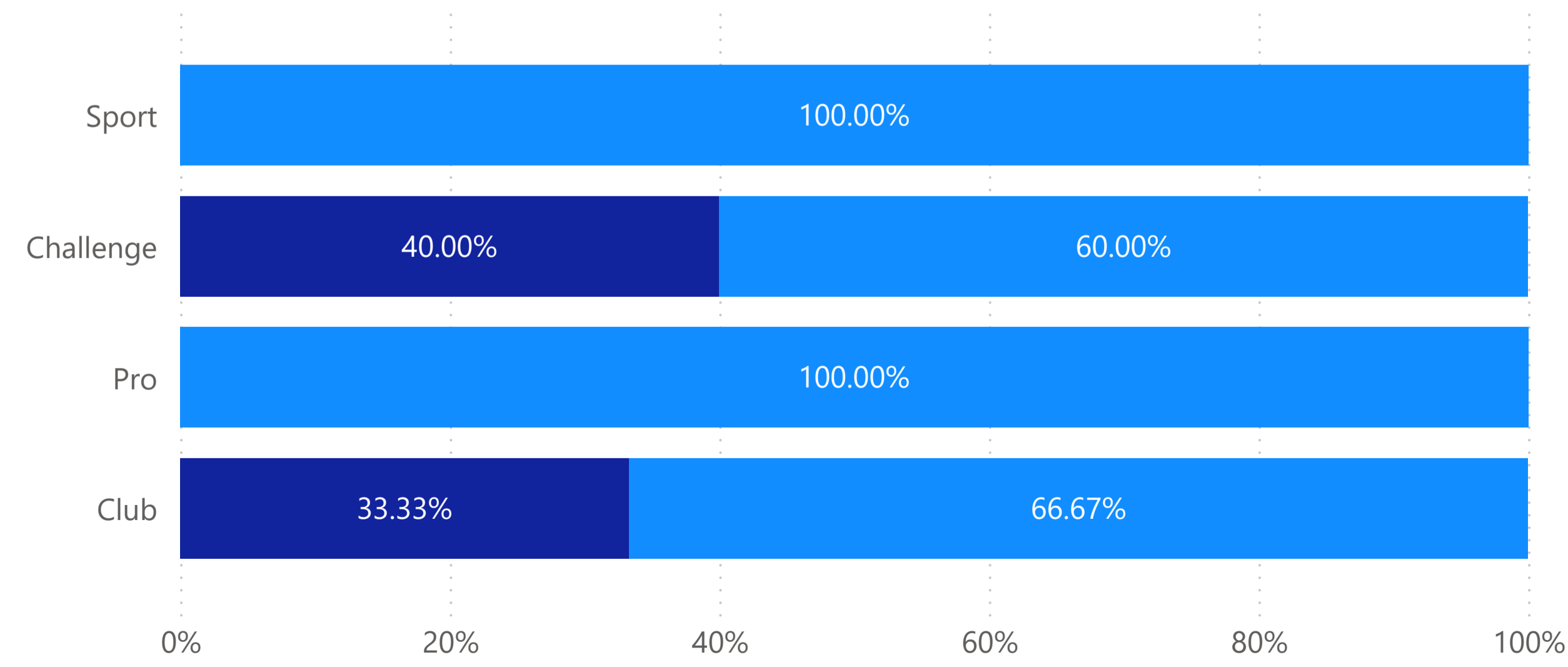
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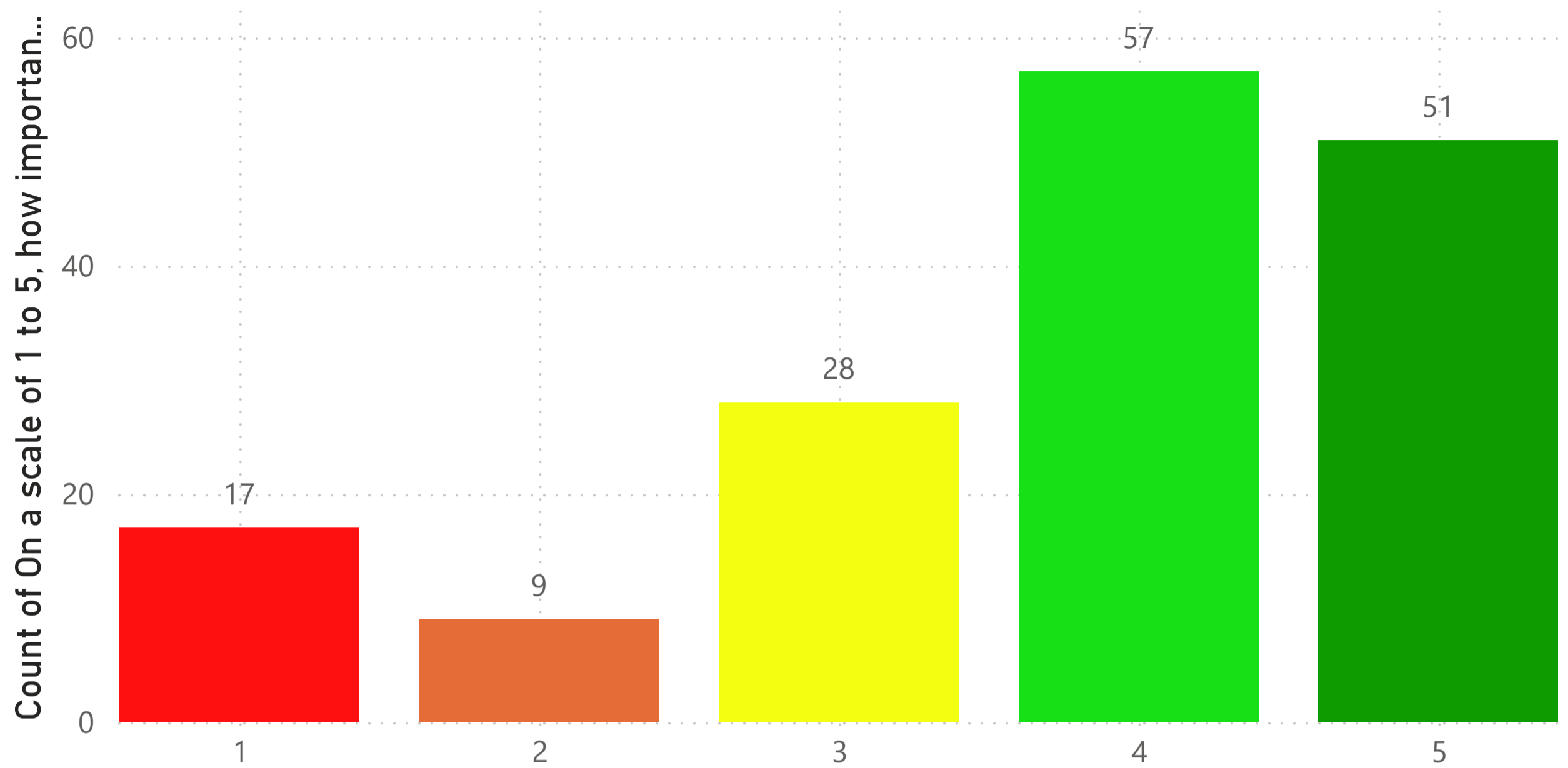


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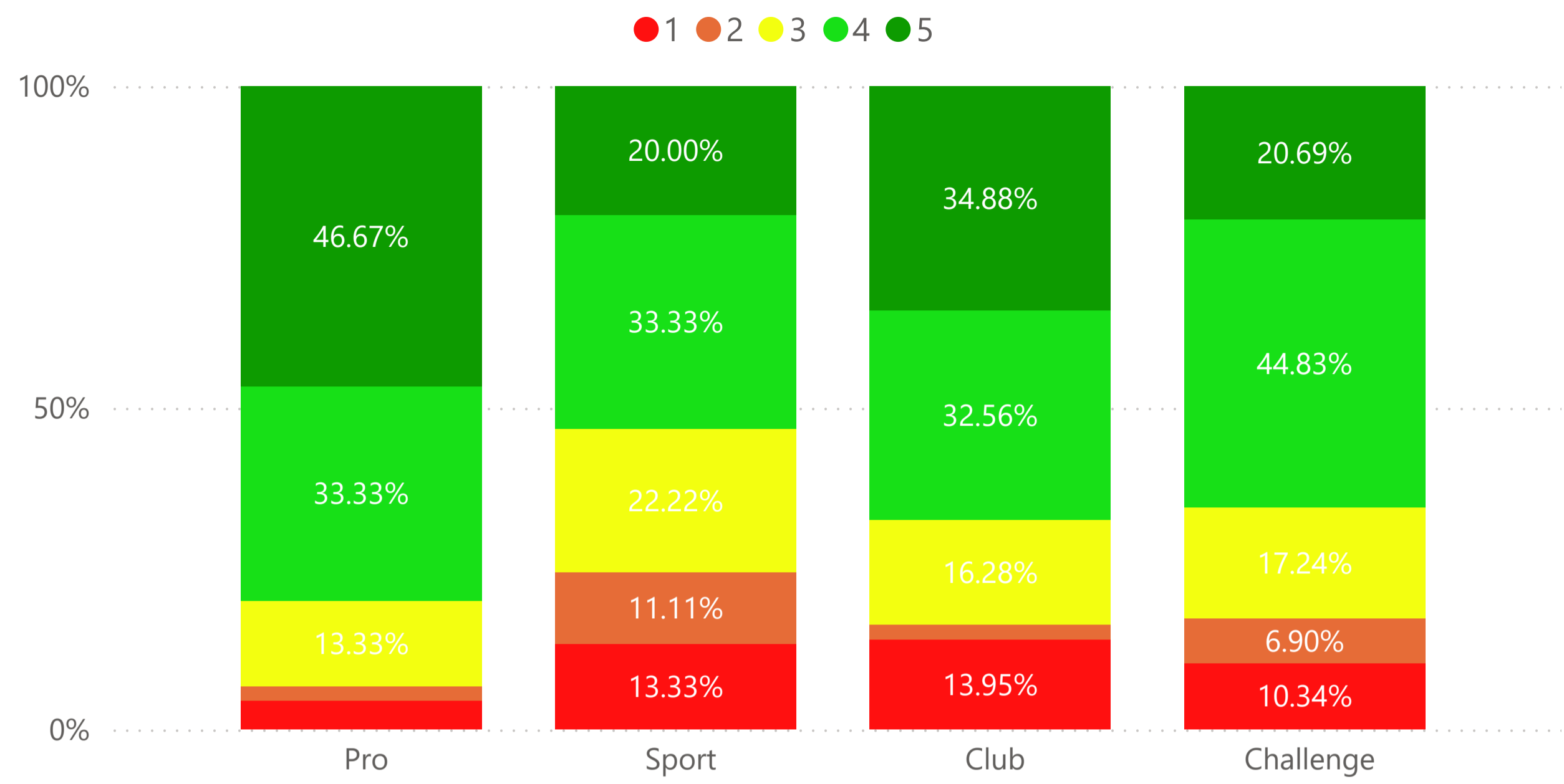
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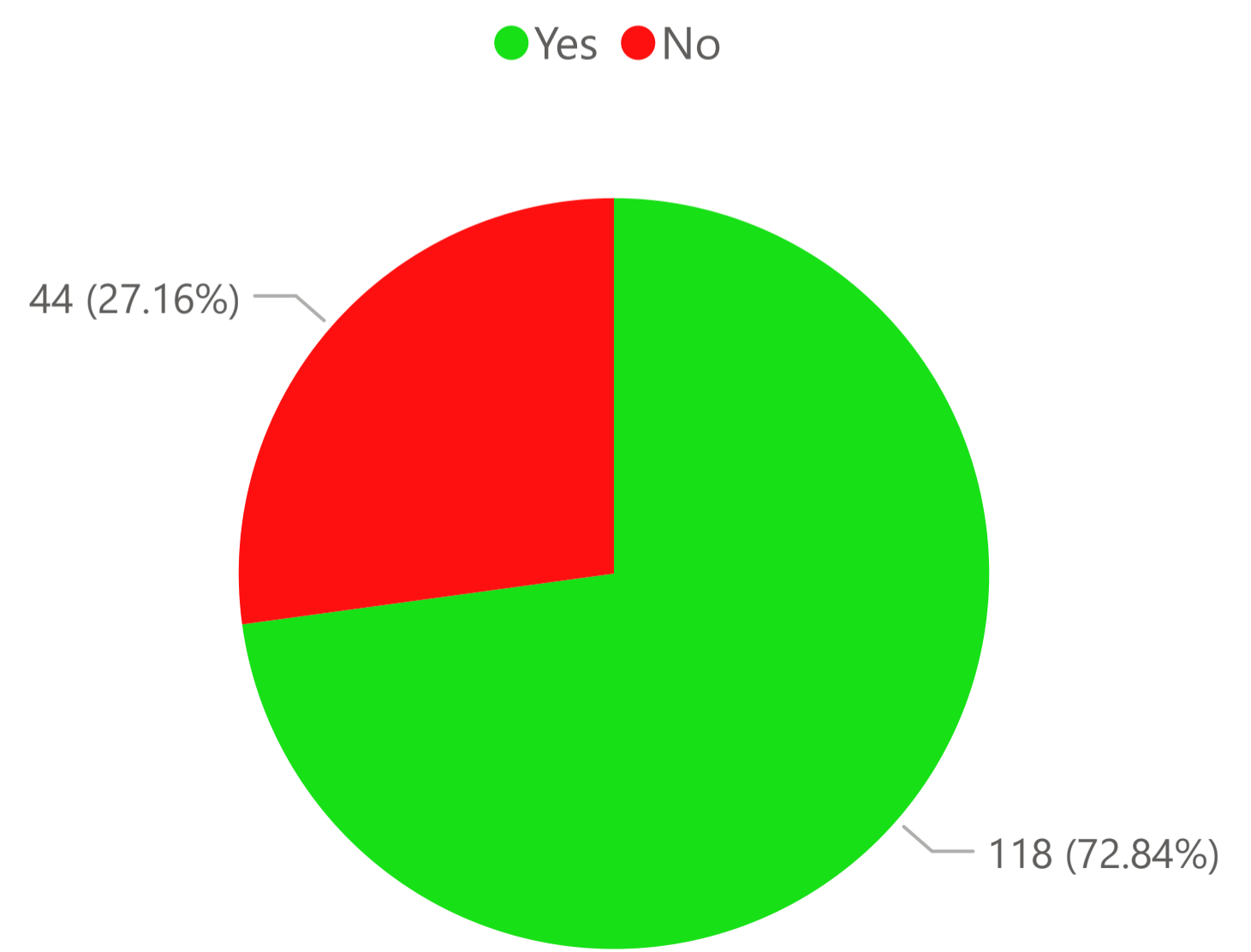
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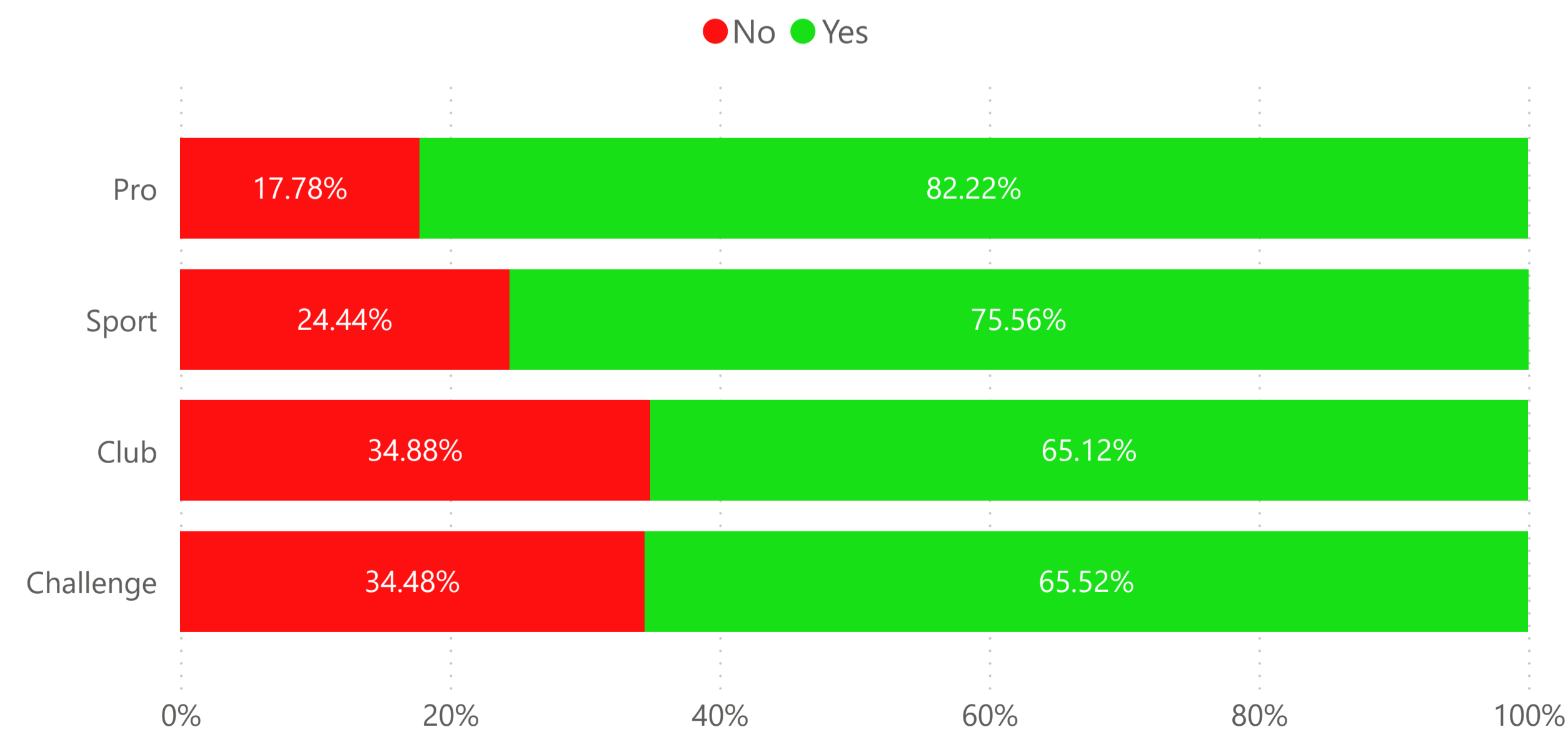
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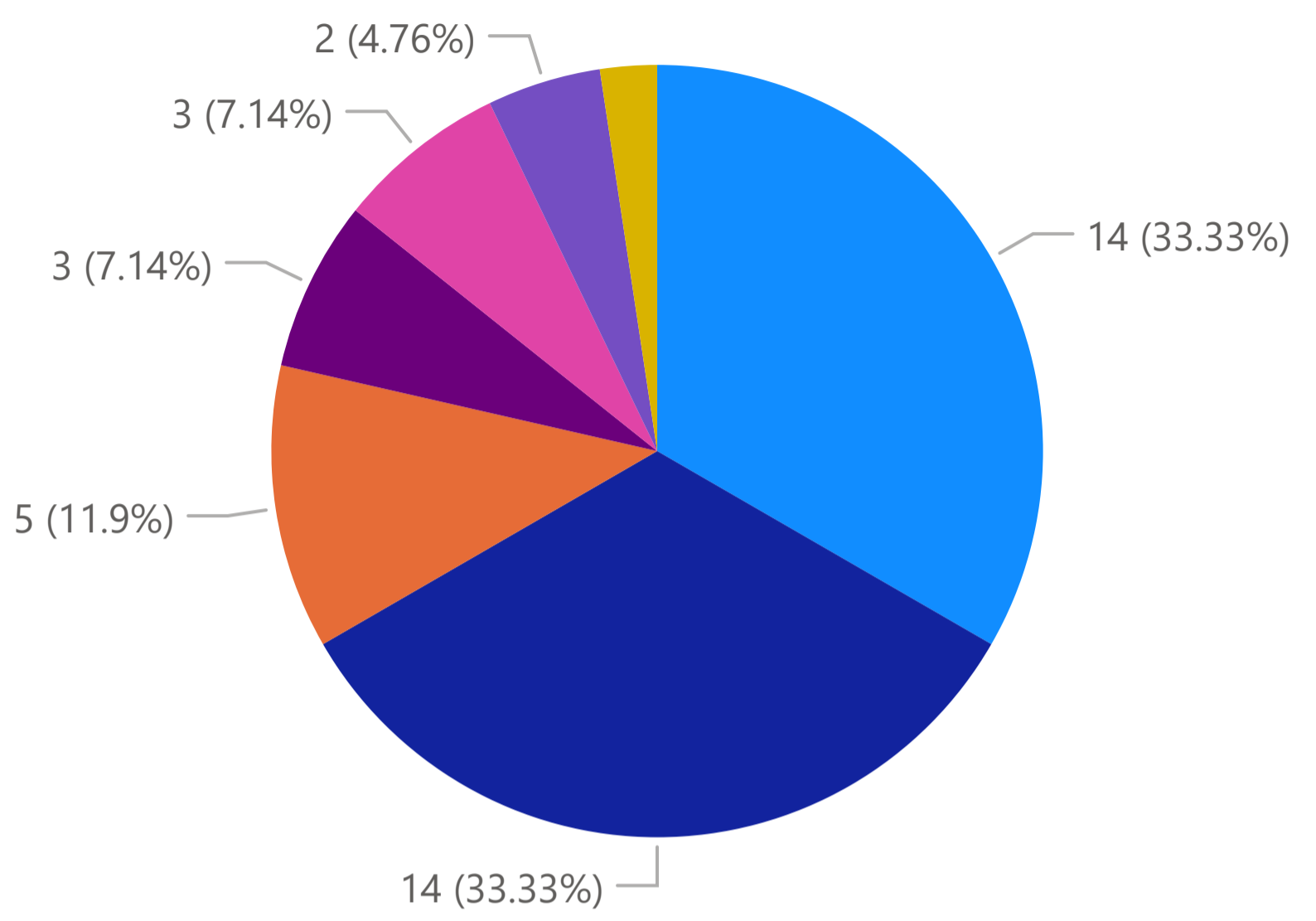


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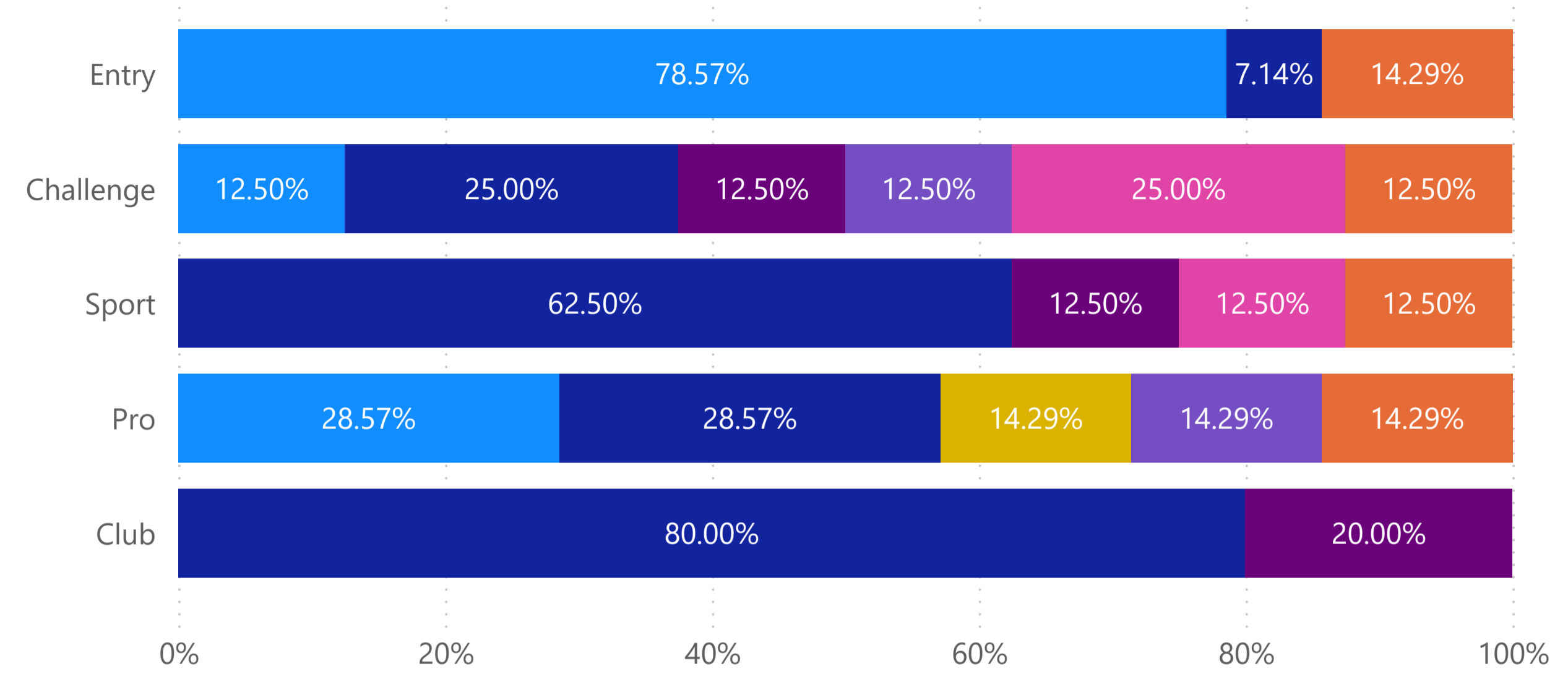
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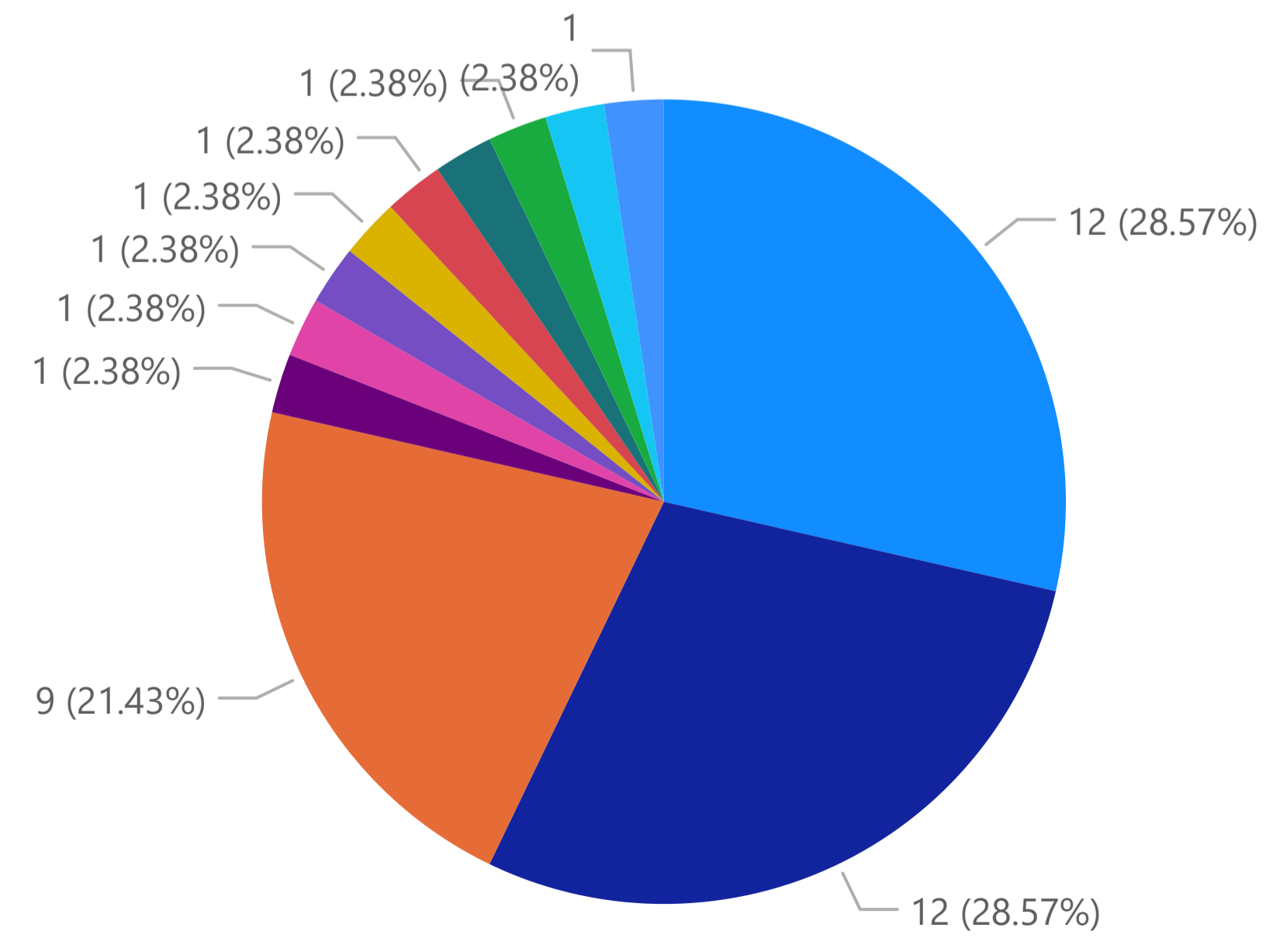


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What was the primary reason you did not participate in Series 11?



- I only recently joined PCA Sim Racing
- Not able to participate due to the date/time of the races
- No time
- After participating in every season since S2, I stopped in the middle of S10...
- Aging reflexes, no longer competitive
- Given the amount of wrecks it's wasn't a good use of time.
- I don't feel competitive in the class I am in
- Needed a break
- Recovering from surgery
- Time and date of sessions and focusing on Official iRacing Series
- Tried a different series
- Was going to miss several races due to travel/vacation.

\$20 is my limit on how much I would spend.

A beginner that doesn't have a lot of hours or time, but still is interested in participating. It would be nice to have a west and east divisions purely do to time its real hard to make the PST races and 7:00pm would be nice. Then at the end of the season we can do a east verses west for overall one time race.

Award points for top 30 not 50. Consider minimum participation points — if a driver completes iRacing fair share of a race # of laps that driver gets (Last Place Points/(# of Races in a Series - # of drop weeks)) ~ rounded to next whole number...that way if a driver completes enough races they will have some points even if they are in bottom half of a competitive field. Award bonus points for qual results, fastest lap and 0x driving. Maybe 10 pts for 0x, 6 for 1x and 3 for 3x. Would encourage clean driving vs LPP punishing poor driving. Need both carrot and stick.

Big hugs and thank yous!

Broadcast varied on quality. Best were the podium with simultaneous multiple streams and the winner interviews.

Broadcasts are great and make the series really fun for the participants. However, not having them would not cause me to stop running races or series.

Can we change the race event schedule to be more in line with season 10. Found it easier to join if events for club on Thursday or Friday versus middle of the week due to work/business travel middle of the week.

Concerning pit stops, in the previous series (Series 11), everyone tended to race for as long as possible (approximately 30 minutes in a 40-minute race in the GT3-R) before stopping for fuel. It would be refreshing to introduce variety in this aspect, such as extending the race length with varied fuel constraints or incorporating weather changes like rain.

Consider reducing the Series Points by the LPP and including thresholds for incidents to keep people on the track and running clean.

Could we run mini events in the rallycross series? I think the 4wd RUF would work or the vw beetle. Could certainly shake things up

Create an “Incident Learning” channel in discord to allow learning from mistakes and incidents on track, including car contact and crashes.

Current system separates active drivers into even quartiles to set the classes. I believe we need more focus on fixed standards for the classes; that this is more important than even field sizes. Graduating to a higher class should be a big achievement we celebrate, indicating a driver has developed / demonstrated new skills. If field size for a class gets too big, break it into two. This gives more drivers a chance to compete, especially if scoring remains Top 20.

Do not run the same tracks as the last series. There are so many good tracks out there it seems a shame to keep running the same ones. When polling for new tracks don't give tracks from the last series as options.

For me personally as a relative beginner, more opportunities for group practice would be helpful and enjoyable.

Great work! Keep pushing forward and I look forward to Season 12.

Hello

I appreciate all the time and effort spent to make this an awesome series. Bring back broadcasters and post race interviews. I have no problem paying fees for the broadcasts.

I appreciate all the work that is put in to make this happen. Thank you.

I can't wait to race in season 12! Thanks for your work

I continue to be incredibly impressed by the organization and professionalism of everything PCA Sim Racing. I'm so thankful I discovered it.

I like rebalancing and the ability to move classes. It makes me strive to get better and faster.

I lost interest in series 11 because I was wrecked out of the first few races and I had no chance to finish well. Sport class has so many drivers some races are nothing but long trains. I am an eastern time zone driver, 9:00 is still late for me, even with a shorter race.

I love Sim racing with PCA, and I love the quality instruction. As a Challenge driver, I was able to join Entry classes. Maybe that should be available for Sport too.

I participated only 2 races in S10. In the second race I was hit with a penalty from RC that was 100% bogus, and the proof is that the other driver that was involved in the incident agreed that it was a racing incident and he wouldn't have filed an IRR. The following week I joined the prelude for the next race...and RC gave me another bogus penalty, even worse than the previous one...at that time I stopped participating on ALL races that have live RC, and I will continue doing so, until we go back to iRacing RC/Orange Zone/IRR. PCA Simracing was originally modeled after CMS, and their GT3 league is one of the best leagues around, still using that formula. Take a look and you will be surprised how many PCA simracers run in there, and how many of them are not longer running here anymore.

I prefer racing every week instead of every other week.

I think the question on scoring was the biggest one for me in this survey - I am new to Club (and hopefully staying there) but only hit the top 20 on 3 or 4 occasions - with scoring stopping at 20th place, if you were racing someone else in 25th, there really was no benefit in taking any risks to overtake as zero point increase vs potential incident while overtaking. Even fighting for one more point gives a bigger incentive to 'try' to the whole field (especially when our field was 40+ sometimes). Enjoying the challenge!

I would like more races but also more drops, I have to travel some for work so it's hard to make all the races.

I WOULD LIKE TO SEE TWO 'RACES' RUN SAME DAY SAME TIME FOR CLUB- SINCE WE HAVE SO MANY RACERS. SPLIT THE FIELD BASED UPON THE QUALITIES??. (WHICH COULD BE RUN DURING THE WEEK FOR THE BIG EVENTS WITH RACE DAY NOT NEEDING THE QUALITY.) MIGHT BE SOME GAMING SO THATD HAVE TO BE OVERCOME?

In regards to the broadcasts, I have friends and family that enjoy watching me race, and they never cease to be amazed at the realism and the professionalism of the broadcasts. This is most definitely one of the defining features of PCASR and one of the primary reasons I keep returning to race. I would absolutely be willing to pay a fee for the broadcasts.

Is there anything else you would like to share with the Steering Committee?

It is a big time commitment that I do not have. Also the tech side of gaming is all new to me and there is little in the way of assistance to understand the software side of iRacing.

It is a great thing you are doing. Volunteering your time so we all get more from the experience is awesome. Thank you!

It's a great series but I find it conflicts with the good weather we have in my area at start of fall and start of spring . Also the time to prep to be competitive got overwhelming

It's sim racing. Increase the chaos. Inverted grids, heat races, grid by reverse championship position, etc.

Just thanks for all of the hard work....it's appreciated.

"Just want to reiterate that the points for only the top 20 was not good. People in the rear of their respective class should have something to race for.

I would like to see a longer practice session before the race session. At least 30 minutes.

The most frustrating aspect of this league is waiting so long before the sessions are setup. I realize iRacing can sometimes break things but I race in other leagues where every race is added at the start of the season. While this is unnecessary, the sessions should be added at least two weeks in advance. This makes it far easier to practice in the correct conditions.

Thank you "

Keep the same broadcasting team as last series, RaceSpot TV. The presenters do a great job.

Keep up the amazing work !!!!

Keep up the good work!

Keep up the good work!

Keep up the good work. I appreciate the job you all do.

Labor Day week would not be a good week to start S12

Let's do in house broadcasting. We could hire a producer/camera man and draw commentators from within PCA.

Loving the organization and always try my best to share it with non Sim Racers

My biggest issue was too many people on the track caused unnecessary risks and incidents. I was taken out by an impatient driver failing to slow down because of incident ahead of us in 3 separate races. IMO a combination of increasing the race time and decreasing the number of participants on the track will reduce these unnecessary / impatient risk takers. If it were up to me, I'd recommend 60 min races and max 40 people per class. Add a class if we need to, (I care less about the broadcast than I do about clean fun racing.) My personal experience, while anecdotal, I had better and cleaner racing in officials for iRacing than I saw this season in PCA.

No iRacing penalties

No.

"Please stop using high downforce endurance cars in sprint series racing. It leads to excessive risk taking at the start. Use these high downforce cars in multi-class endurance racing.

Incident penalties are way too lenient as the at-fault car almost always ends up ahead of the car which punted off the track.

Eliminate IRR process unless there are clear published rules on driver accountability that they follow. Right now, they seem to just make up whatever they think and it's different than RC."

Pls keep at least 2 or more weeks between races. 3 or 4 weeks is ok too.

Points beyond top 20 if field size is really big

Racing at 9pm EST on work nights is tough for me and restricts my participation. I'll be 69 years in June and after a busy day of work, a 9pm start time is a showstopper most of the time.

Really preferred Podium Esports for the broadcast, would be happy to donate to get them back

Series was so fun. Wish it was longer, weather should be fun. I hope to get better and move up as I was super new to iracing and started the series barely in time. The open class set ups make me nervous because I don't have hours daily to modify which I know some people do. I'm all about fixed setups for majority of races. Maybe upper classes have only a few races open set up? But I'm not in them yet so take that with a grain of salt. I think the lpp system was good. I think some drivers need stern talking to before they even point out just to avoid mess.

Thank you

Thank you for all the work!!

Thank you for all you do!!

Thank you for volunteering your time and all you do to train new entries to the PCA racing way.

Thank you to all those responsible, PCA sim racing is the absolute best!

Thank you!

Thanks for all of the hard work. I hope that sim racing will remain a permanent fixture.

Thanks so much for all your efforts improving the program!

"The broadcast is the reason I race in this series. Seeing as I'm already paying for a PCA membership, the broadcast should be included.

The mid-season broadcast provider was a notable downgrade in video coverage while maintaining comparable spoken coverage. As a whole, I'd much prefer reverting this decision. Everyone likes seeing battles and passes regardless of position, focusing on the top 5 running with 3 seconds between them is a poor choice."

"The first 2 seasons in PCASR were great. I loved it. But two factors (equal in importance to me) stopped me: the adoption of late race times, and the Entry Series funneling super-aggressive, yet modestly skilled racers into Sport class. Many of these drivers quit pretty soon, but the damage is done. And, each new entry class injects more new mayhem into Sport Class. It's a perpetual pain loop, so I'm not tempted to jump back in.

I like the league. I have friends here. And, I realize everyone in the SC is doing their best. Thanks!"

"The IRR form should allow up to a 100 word description of the incident.

A greater percentage of drivers should be assigned to Challenge class due to the smaller percentage of drivers who actually show up and race in that class, compared to the other three classes."

The question about being fast/slow enough for the class I am in...the question needs another option regarding experience. I need to stay in Sport Class. I'm plenty fast for the class (and would be competitive in the next class up), but I have raced for 1 season and consider myself a rookie. I need to improve my racecraft and learn about car setup before I advance to the next class.

Those with Admin and I/C titles need to do a much better job setting the right example of PCA standards of race craft, etiquette and consideration on track. Some of the most egregious examples of "do as I say...not as I do" come from Admin and I/C drivers. Examples: calling out other drivers, no apologies, dive bombs forcing 3-wide, pit maneuvers, driving others off track, ignoring blue flags, etc. The usual suspects have earned quite a hypocritical reputation. And it's another good reason to keep SC members off RC -- they are too biased and subjective to enforce the rules objectively, fairly and consistently, especially if they are competing in the series.

To make championship fights easier to calculate for the broadcast, the final race should not be droppable

Two weeks between races is simply too much time. Too much time for those that can put in 500+ practice laps. I know there is no way to limit

practice time/laps but having a race every week vs every two weeks is a way to limit this to some extent.

We need a sponsorship committee to fund broadcasts and promote to PCA regular members. A nominal \$20 annual registration fee possibly to have skin in the game for more serious participation. S11 saw some un-practiced jump-ins to races and it was a disaster and costly for some serious competitors. He was fast but out of control. Raced a setup he never practiced with. (Club race, I ghosted from Sport). Thanks everyone.

WOOOO LETS GO RACING

Y'all kick ass! Thank you!

You can't make it perfect for everyone! Keep up the good work!

You folks are the best. Thanks for all you do.

You guys are doing a great job. The PCA league is huge, and I imagine that makes it impossible to make everyone happy. Racing in the series races can be frustrating, but that is largely down to the full grids, all in the same car, all at a very similar skill/lap time vying for position.