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What do we know about migrant decision-making in relation to irregular migration opportunities and risks?

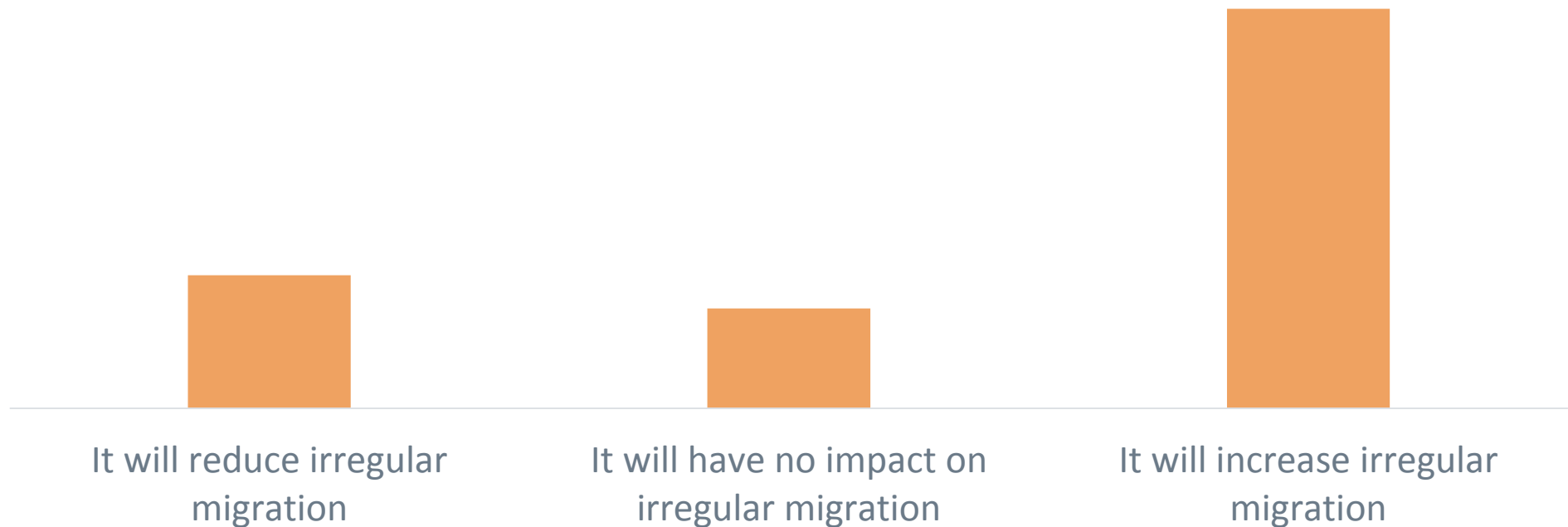
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Structure

- Resettlement
- Preparation: understanding asylum
- Preparation: risks
- Expectations: distribution within the EU
- Preparation + expectations: choosing a destination

Resettlement: Group Answers

If the EU increases the number of refugees resettled to Europe from third countries, what impact will this have on subsequent irregular migration?

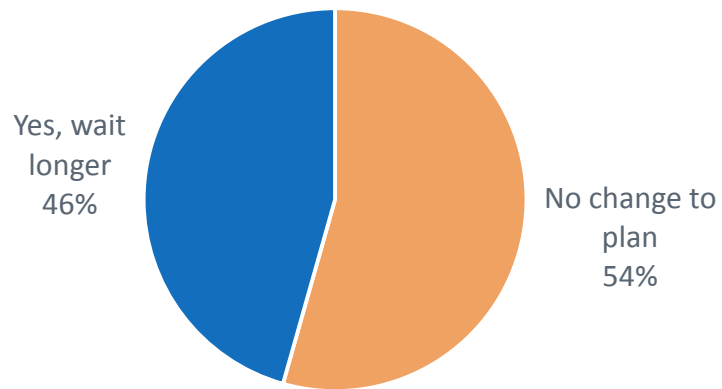


Resettlement: The Theory

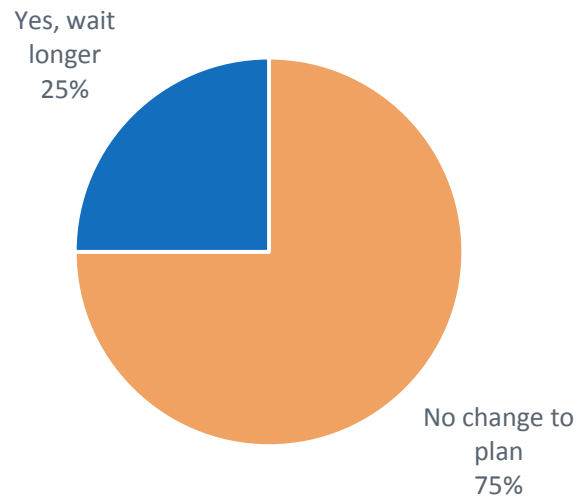
- People resettled would otherwise have used smugglers
- Resettlement has zero or negative impact on other potential migrants' demands

Willing to Wait for Resettlement?

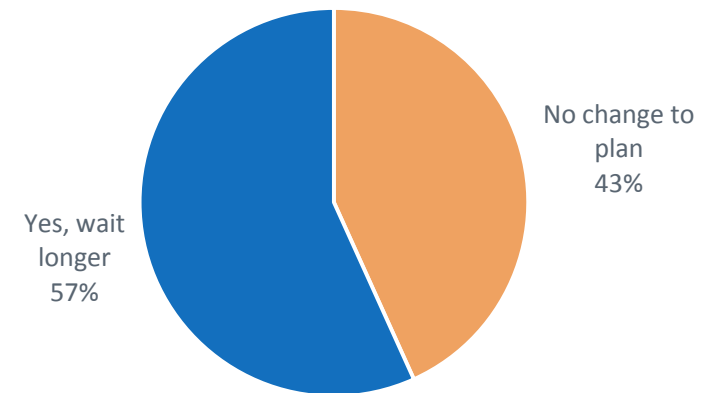
All



Libya



Sudan



Advice from Smugglers

“It is impossible for Europe to accept that way [resettlement] the number of people that we can move. There will be many more customers.”

Resettlement: the Same People?

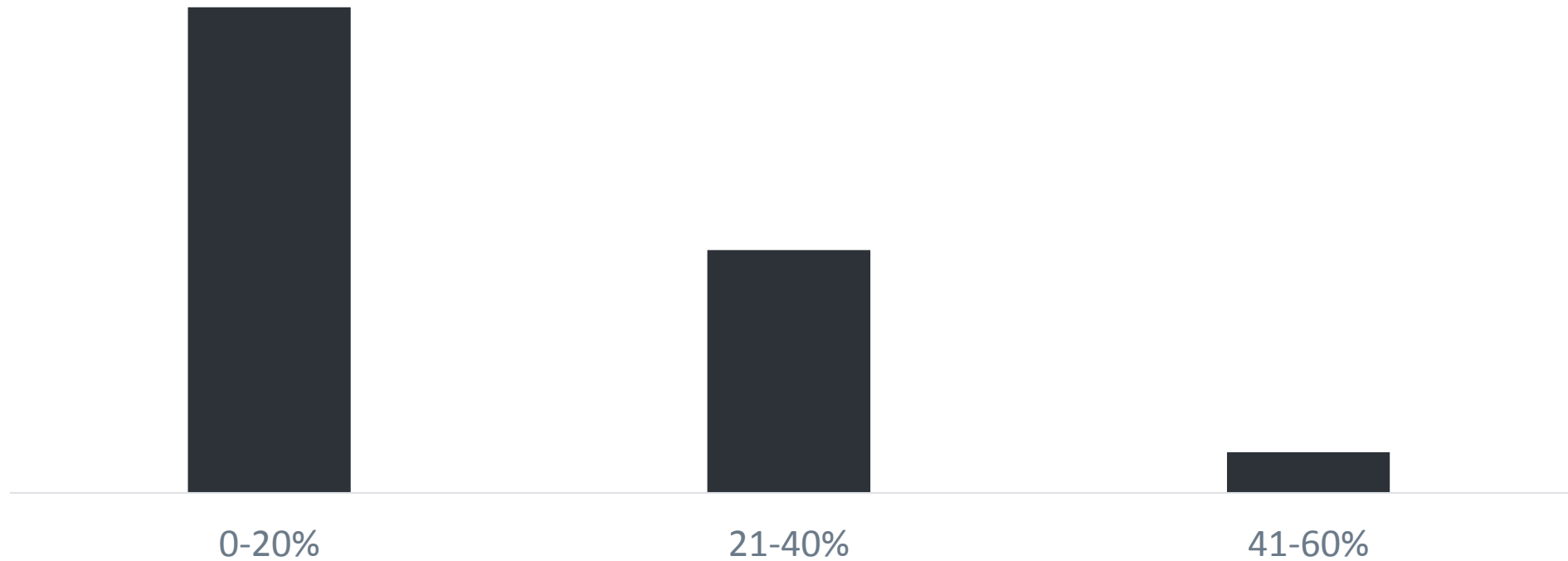
- Resettlement is irrelevant to people who would not qualify for asylum
- For people like our respondents, resettlement would need to be fast and secure to replace the boat
- Minimum 300,000 actively purchasing services to move through Libya and across the Mediterranean
- Most resettlement preferences families and people with qualifications

Resettlement – Implications

- Under any conceivable resettlement scheme, hundreds of thousands likely to remain “in the middle”
- If we don’t understand who is a potential customer of smugglers, then we may resettle the “wrong” people
 - Wrong = no impact or positive impact on demand for irregular migration
- Micro, not macro

Understanding Asylum: Group Answers

What percentage of people who seek asylum in Europe know what asylum is before they leave their country of residence?



What is asylum? Government Minister

LAWS + PROCEDURES

Asylum-seeker

- Refugee Convention
- Determination process
- Monitoring, detention
- Fraud

Failed asylum-seeker

- Long-term residence?
- Prison?
- Deportation?
- Minimum welfare support

Refugee

- Settlement assistance
- Integration
- Housing
- Language training

Student visa

- Application process
- Embassy corruption
- Over-stayers
- University enforcement

Family reunion

- Eligibility
- Fraud
- Benefits
- Settlement support

Marriage and adoption

- Eligibility
- Fraud
- Settlement support

Employment visa

- Application process
- Embassy corruption
- Over-stayers
- Employer enforcement



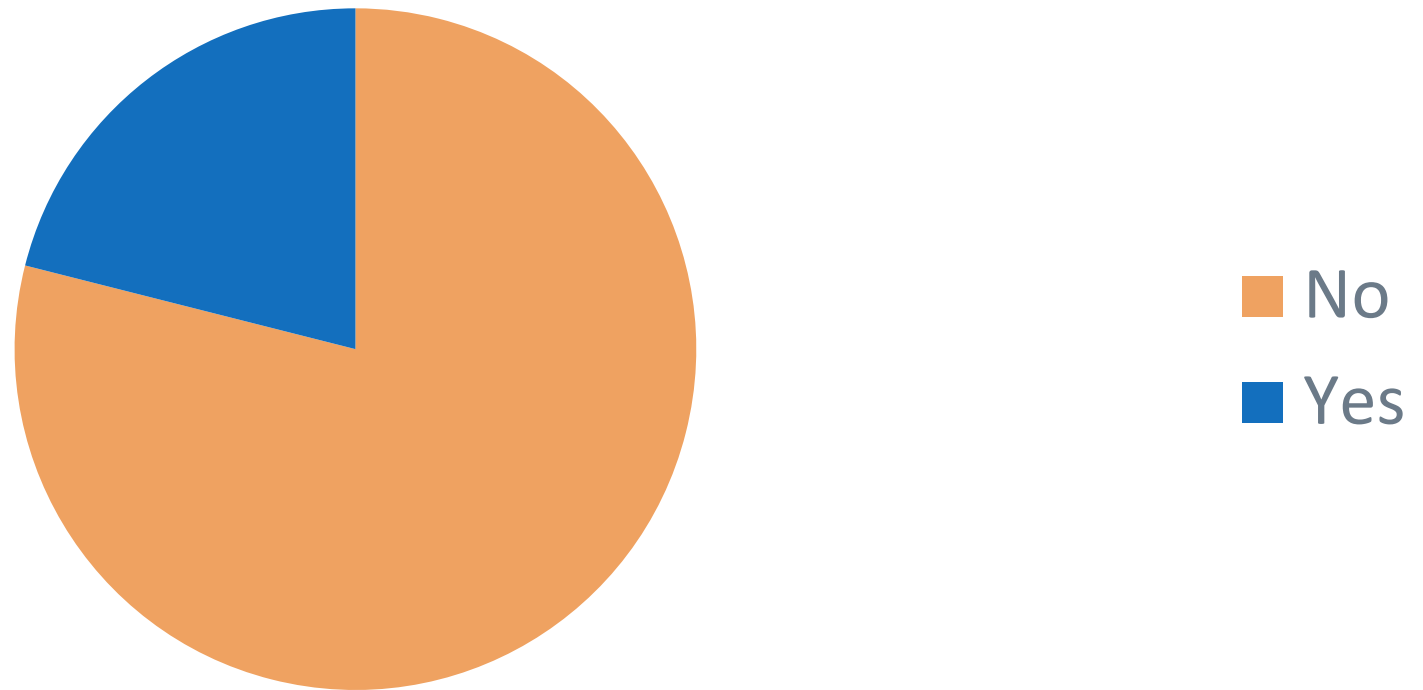
What is asylum? Migrant

- Long-term settlement
- Work
- Family to join later



Risks: Group Answers

Do people considering the trip understand the risks before they depart?

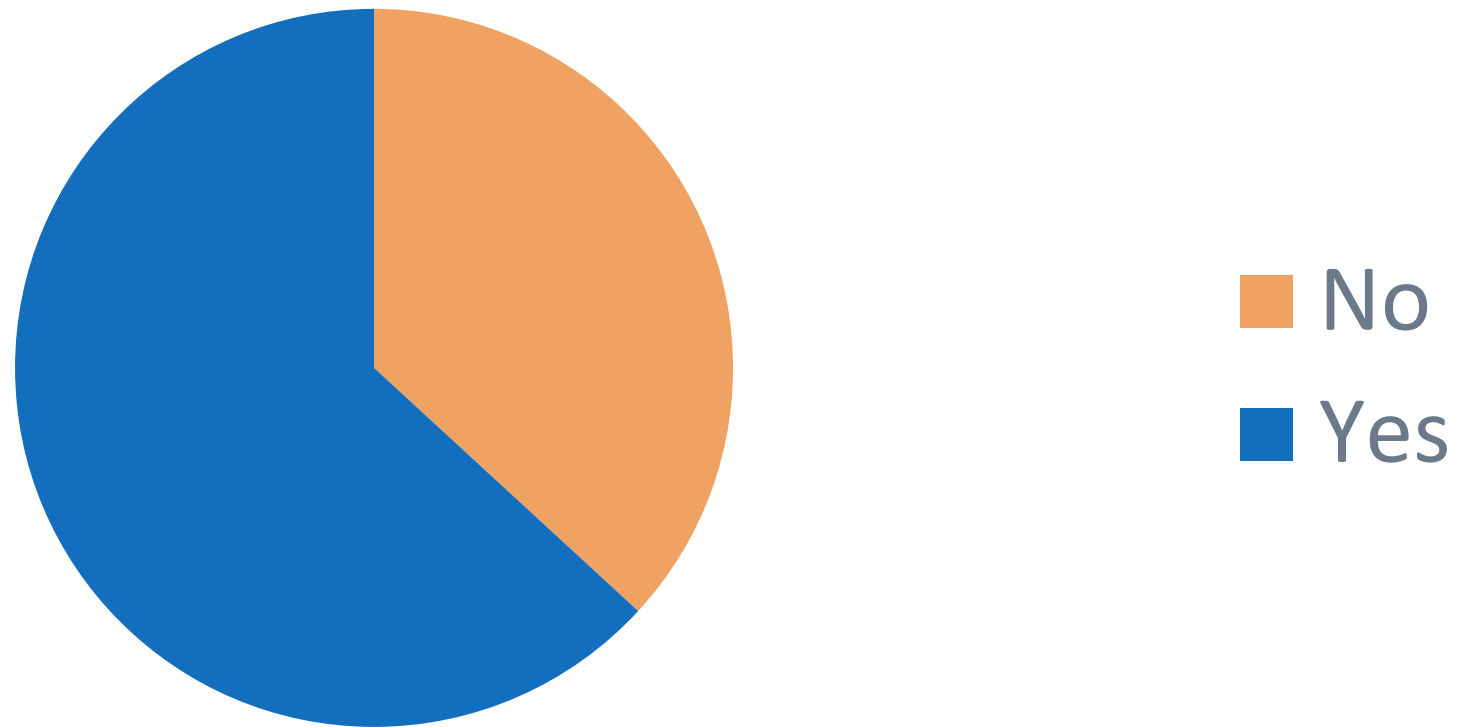


Risks: What are we talking about?

- Objective vs. subjective
- Probability vs. impact
- Processes vs. outcomes

Distribution: Group Answers

Do asylum-seekers care about the possibility they will be moved to a different EU country?



Destinations: Group Answers

What do asylum-seekers report is the most important factor in choosing a destination country?



Destinations: It's Tricky

- Objective information
- Interpreters
- Stated factors
- Unstated influences

Areas of Investment

- Systematic monitoring
- Scale-up communications
- Different ways of doing development and security assistance in service of migration and asylum policies
- Integrate overseas and domestic policies

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