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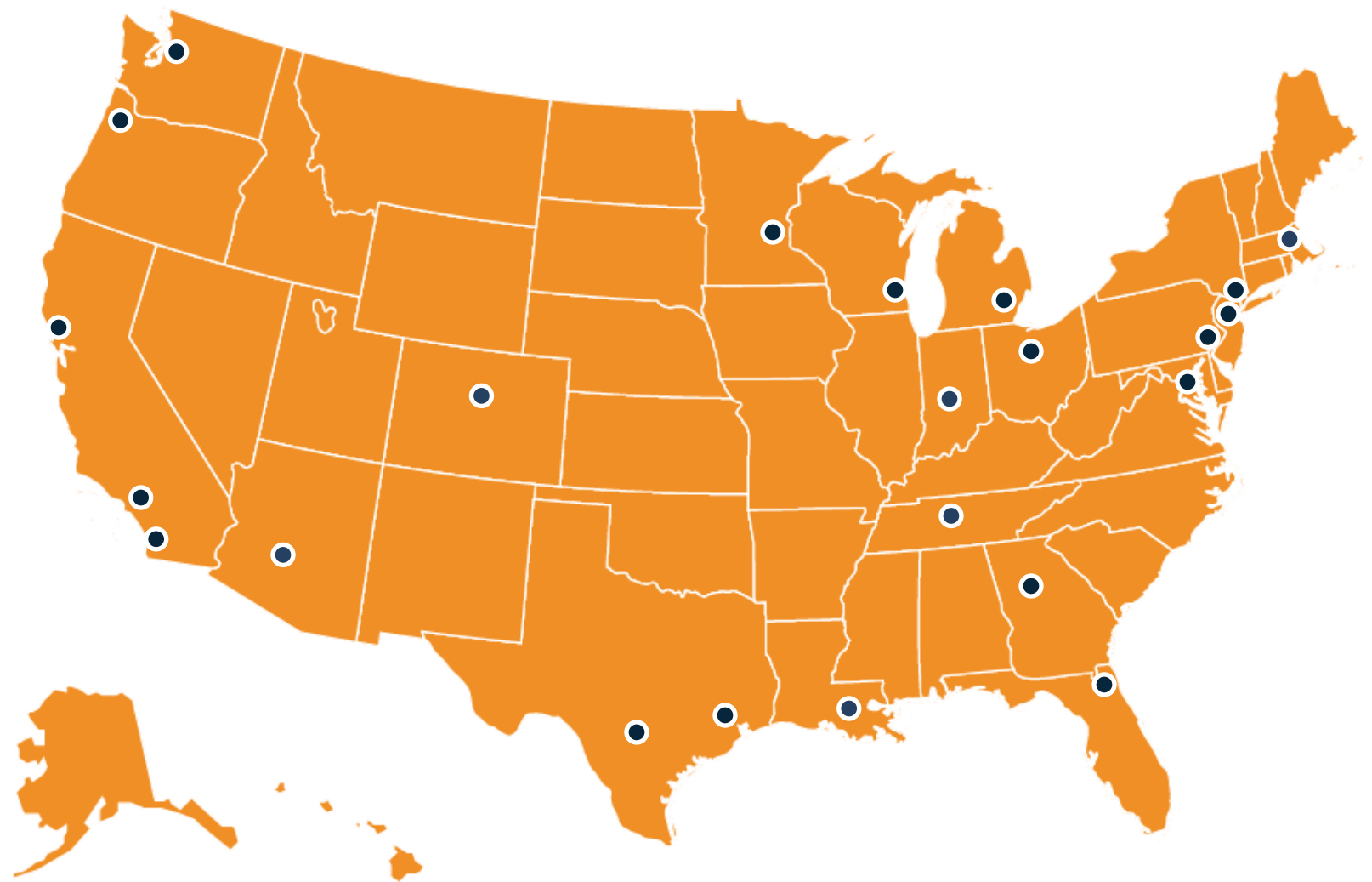
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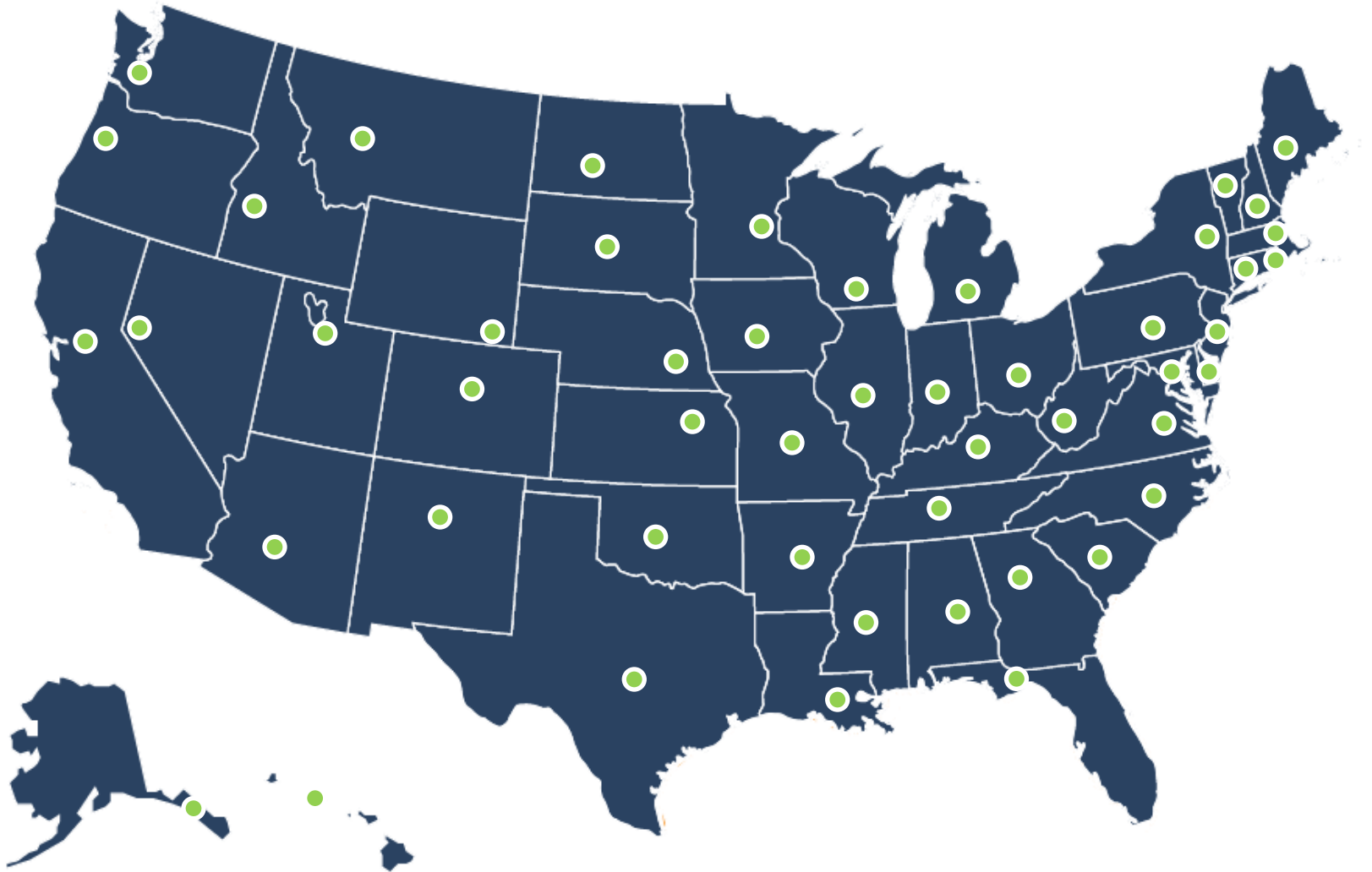
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Acceleration Memo Survey

40 Respondents

18 Jurisdictions

11 Subrecipient Awards

106 Prime Recipient Awards

How Did You First Learn of the Acceleration Memo?

Federal Oversight Agency

30%

Federal OMB

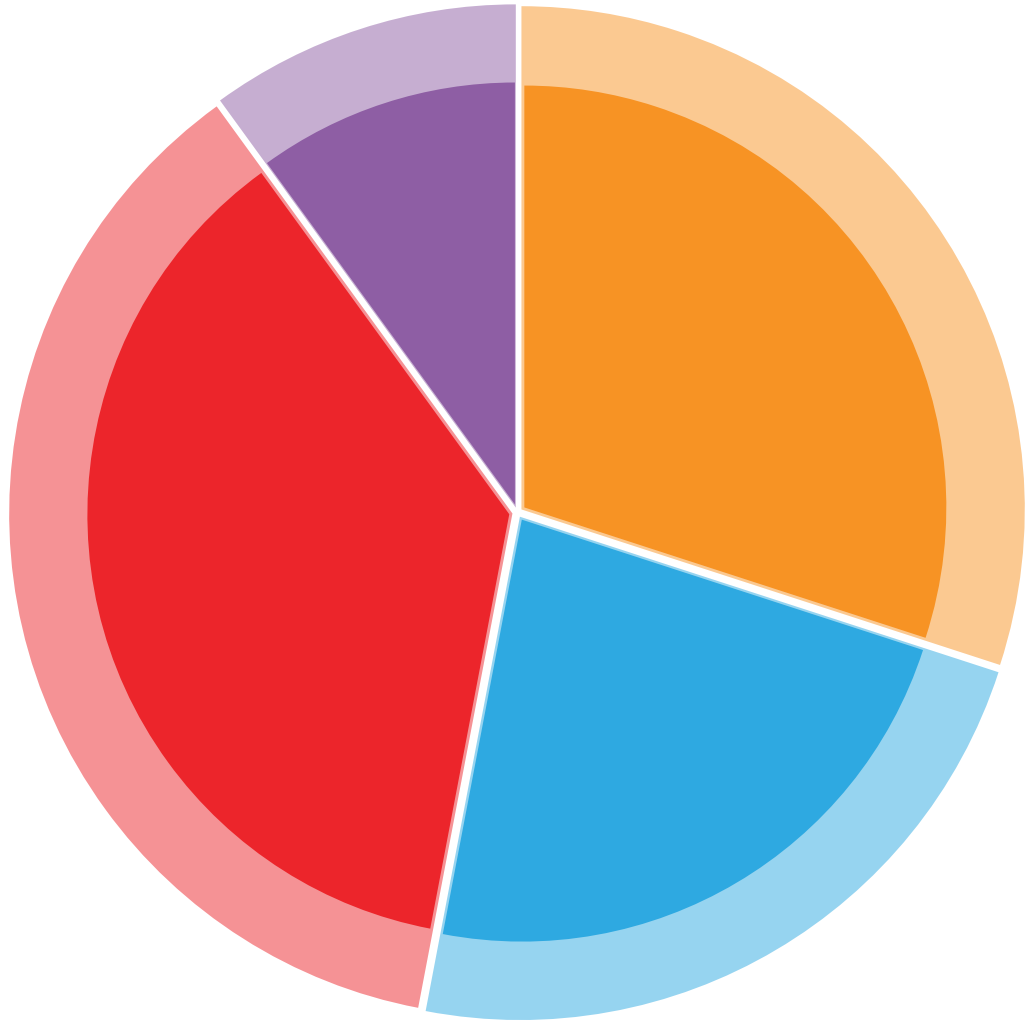
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Other

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Who Initiated Communication about the Memo?

Your Federal Oversight Agency

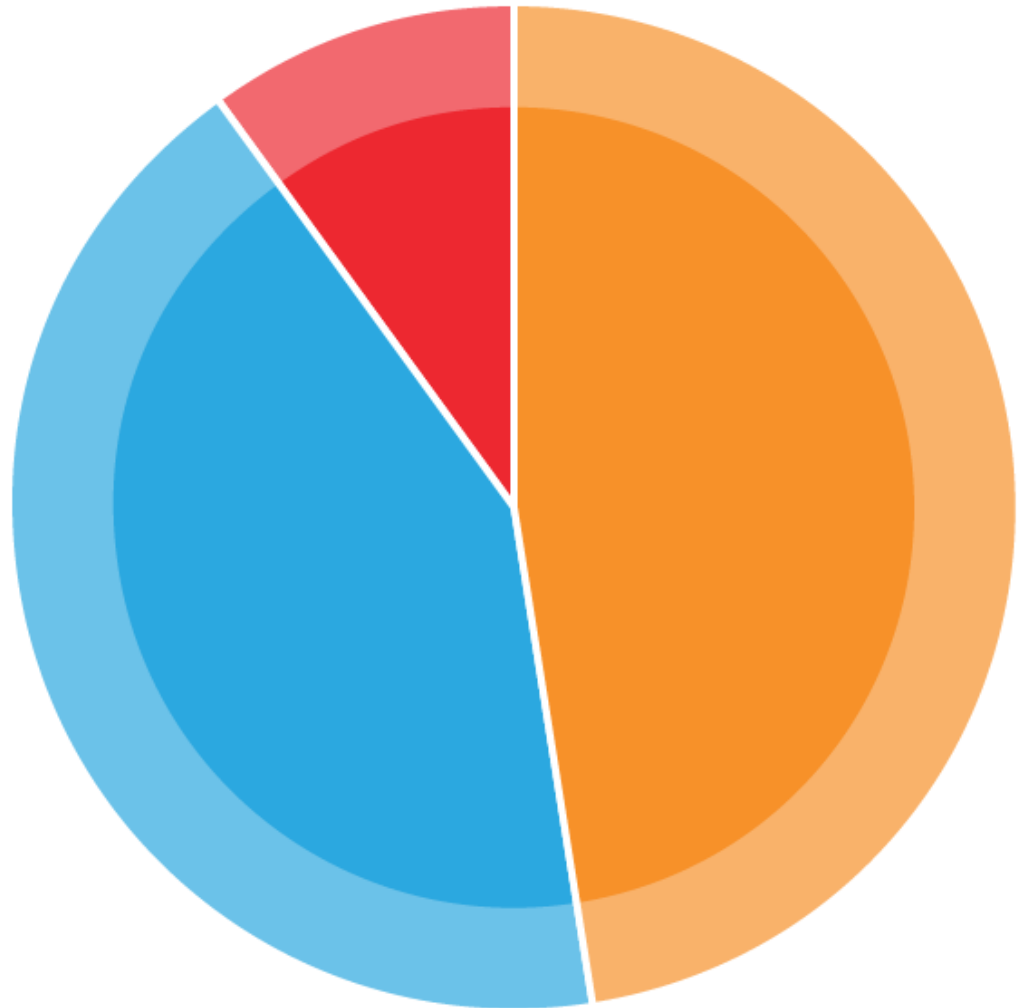
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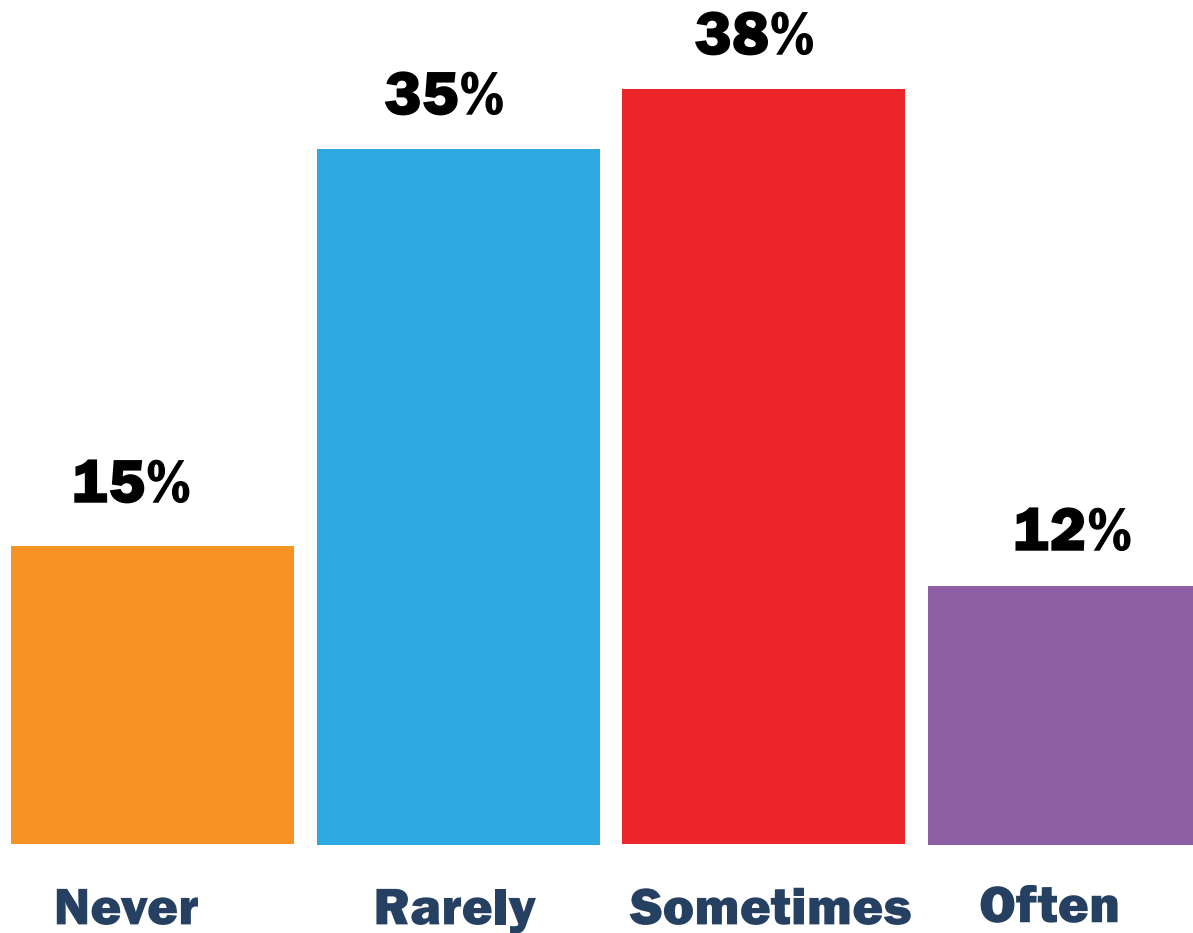
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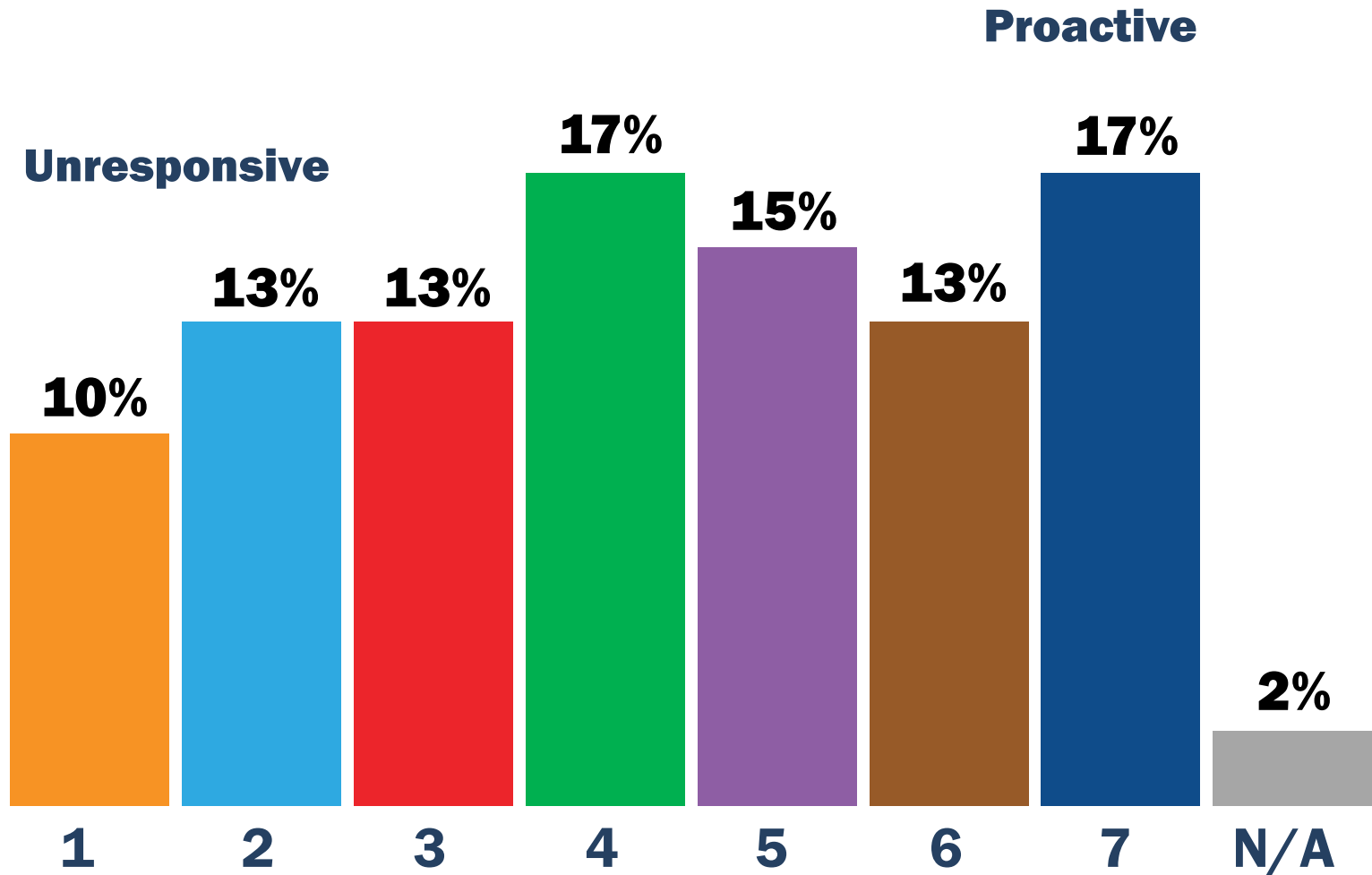
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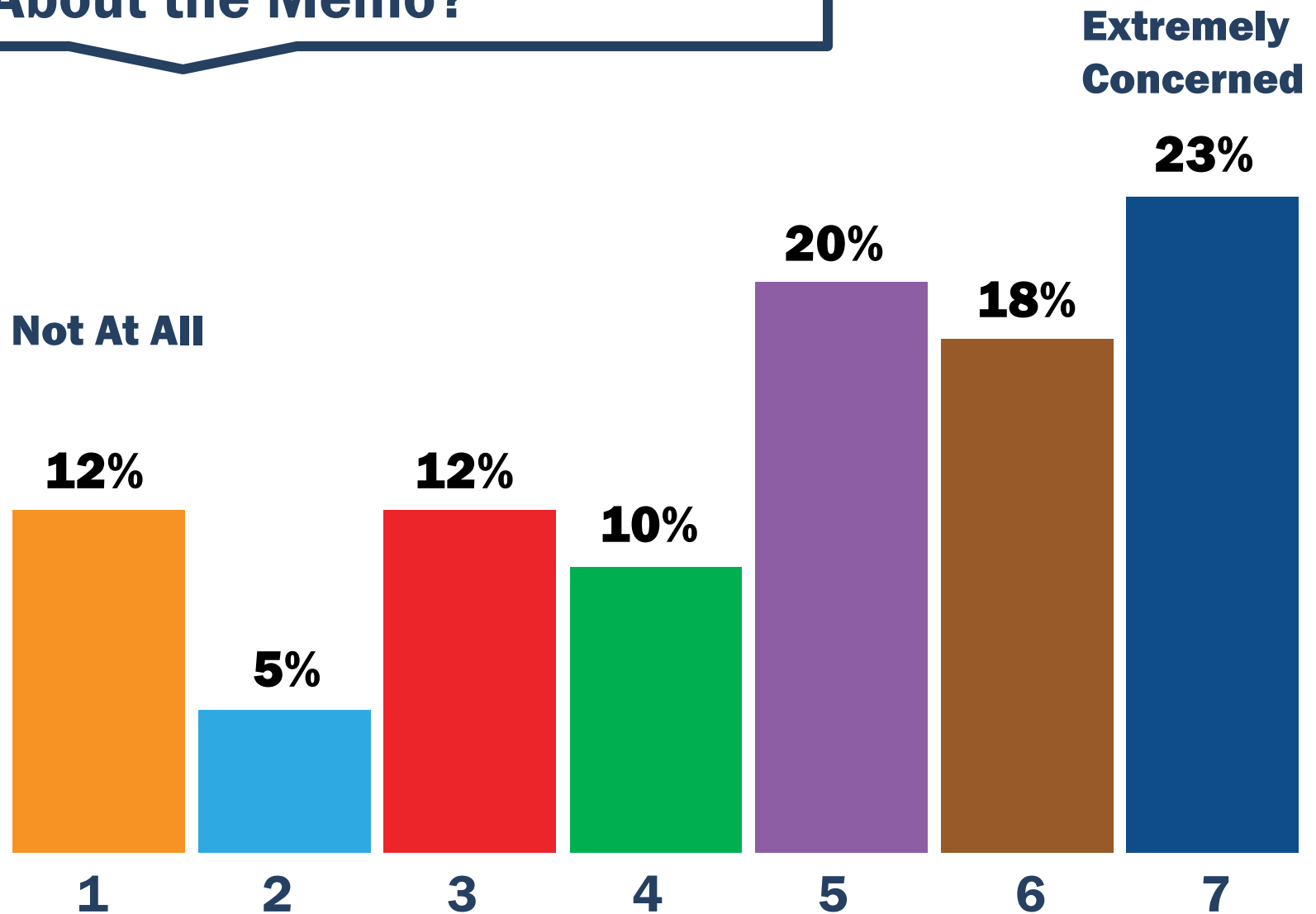
How Often Has Your Federal Agency Discussed the Memo?



How Would You Rate Federal Communication?



How Concerned Are You About the Memo?



Sample of Deadlines Beyond 9/30/2013

Transportation

Highway Planning and Construction

Transit Capital Grants

High Speed Rail

Energy & Environment

Smart Grid

Habitat Conservation

Clean Water and Drinking Water

Safety

TSA Checked Baggage Inspection Pgm.

Public Safety and Community Policing

Justice Assistance Grant Program

Technology

Broadband Tech. Opportunities Pgm.

Health Information Technology

Education

Race to the Top

School Improvement Grants

Investing in Innovation

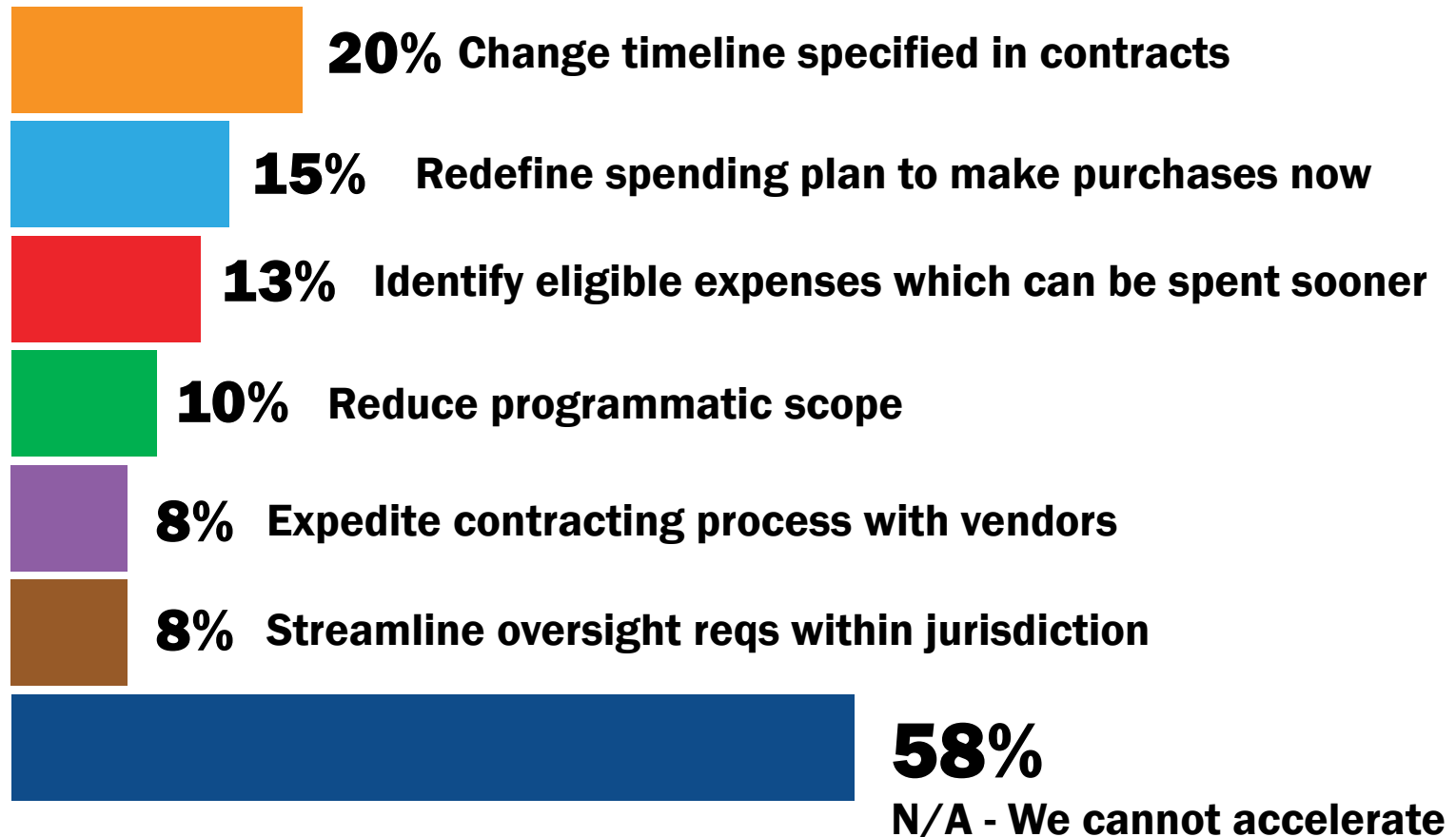
Statewide Longitudinal Data Systems

Research & Development

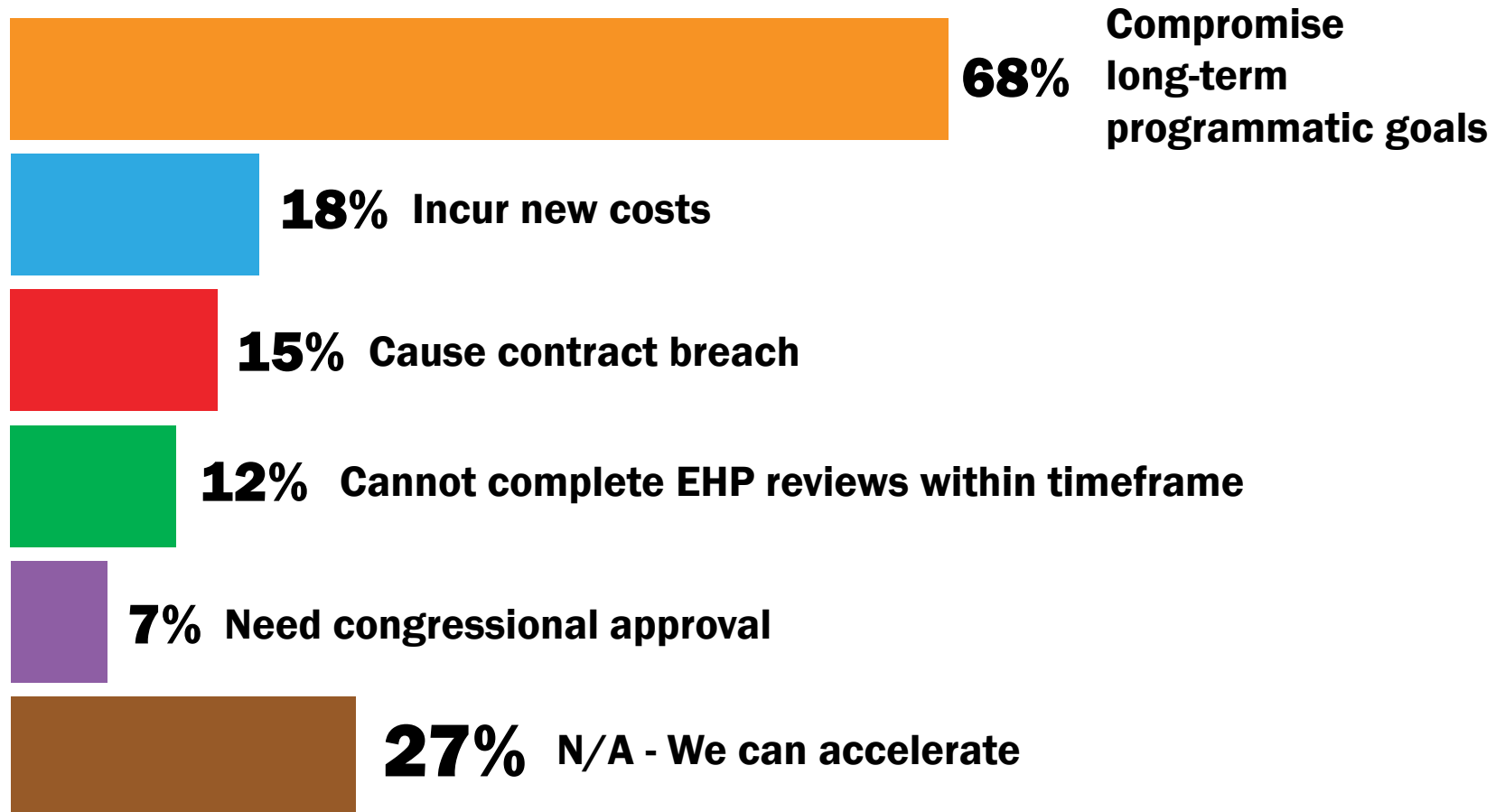
National Science Foundation

Renewable Energy

What are the Flexibilities to Accelerate?



What are the Practical Challenges to Accelerate?



How Has Your Oversight Agency Responded?



Top Recommendations to Streamline Process?

65%

Ensure consistent, ongoing messaging from fed OMB to fed agencies

58%

Publish timeline for fed OMB assessment of waiver requests

50%

Clearly explain reqs for waiver requests in writing

40%

Confirm that fed agencies have contacted recipients re: memo

40%

Require written monthly updates to recipients until final waiver decisions

30%

Set deadline to renegotiate signed award agreements if waiver is denied