



EDM Program

Evolvability, Deployability, & Maintainability
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Use-it-or-lose-it is published!

RFC 9170: Long-Term Viability of Protocol
Extension Mechanisms



Agenda

Implementation status survey

Next steps for implementation status

Plans for draft-iab-protocol-maintenance

WG Chair Survey

Do participants in your Working Group work on running code or share status in any of the following venues? (Select all that apply)

IETF hackathon

Interoperability testing at interim meetings

Implementation presentations at working group meetings

Related GitHub/other code repositories

Other

What do you use to track implementation status? (Select all that apply)

"Implementation Status" section of drafts (RFC 7942)

IETF wiki page (Trac)

IETF hackathon wiki

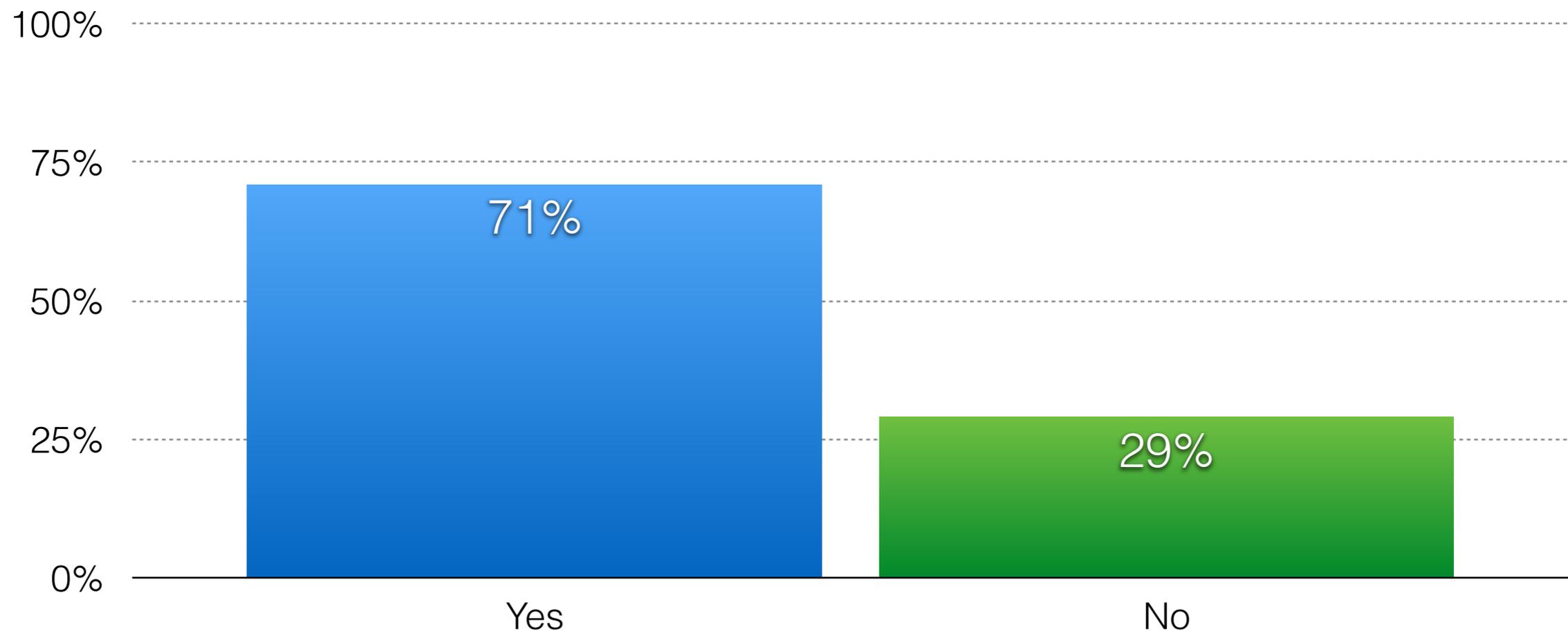
GitHub wiki

Other GitHub page

WG Chair Survey

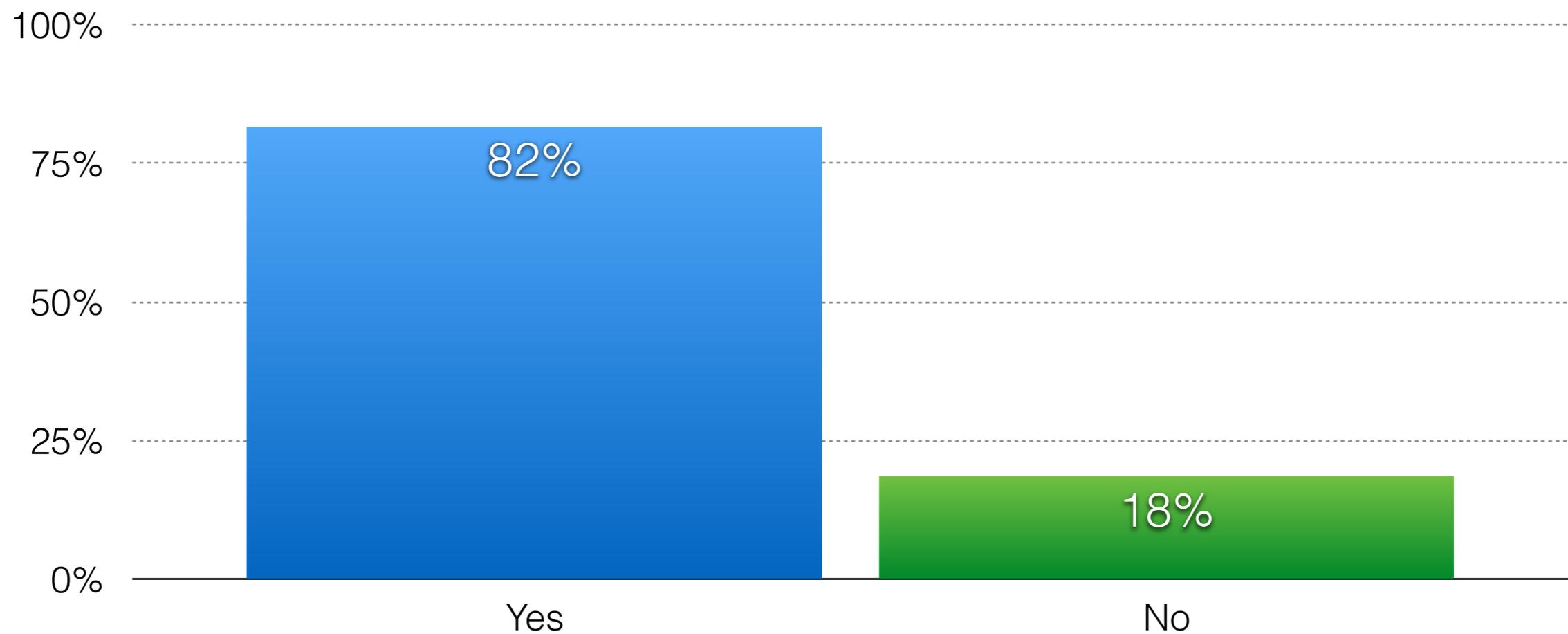
38 responses overall

Does your Working Group track implementation status for protocols you work on?



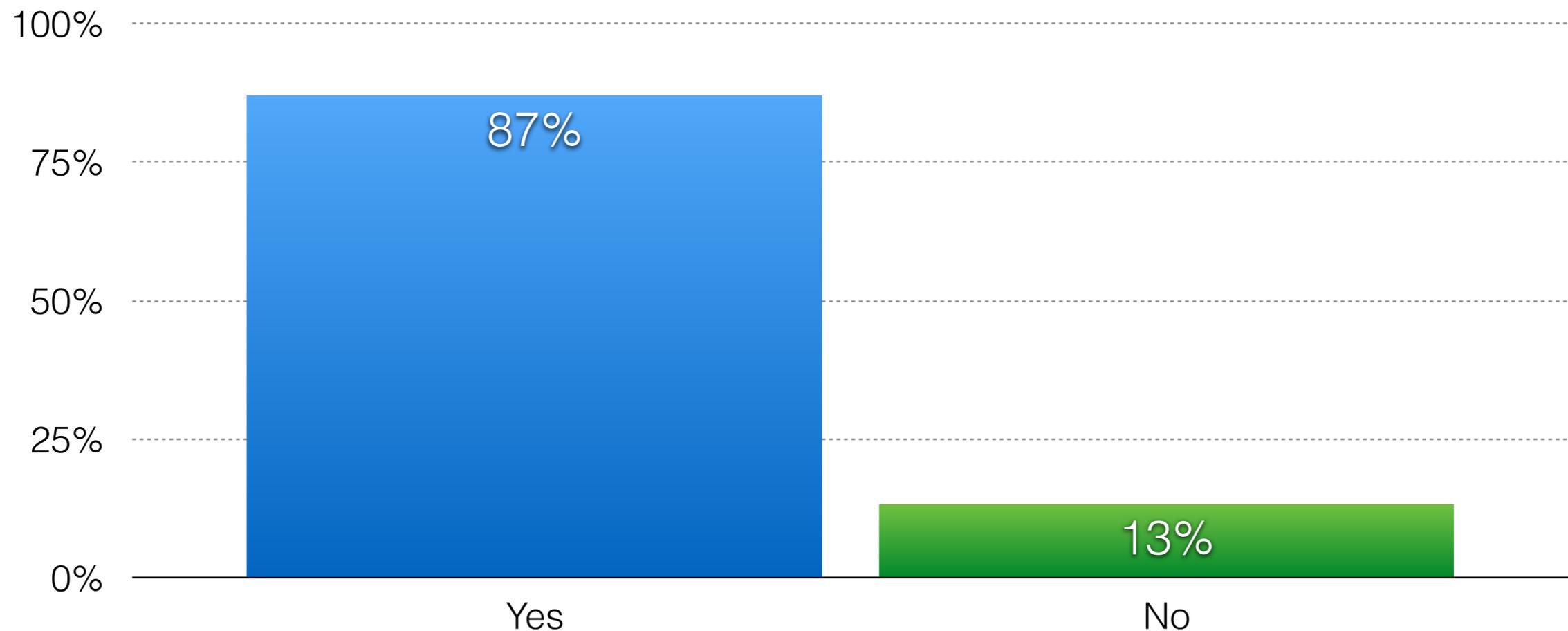
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Would you like to have a way to make implementation status more discoverable?



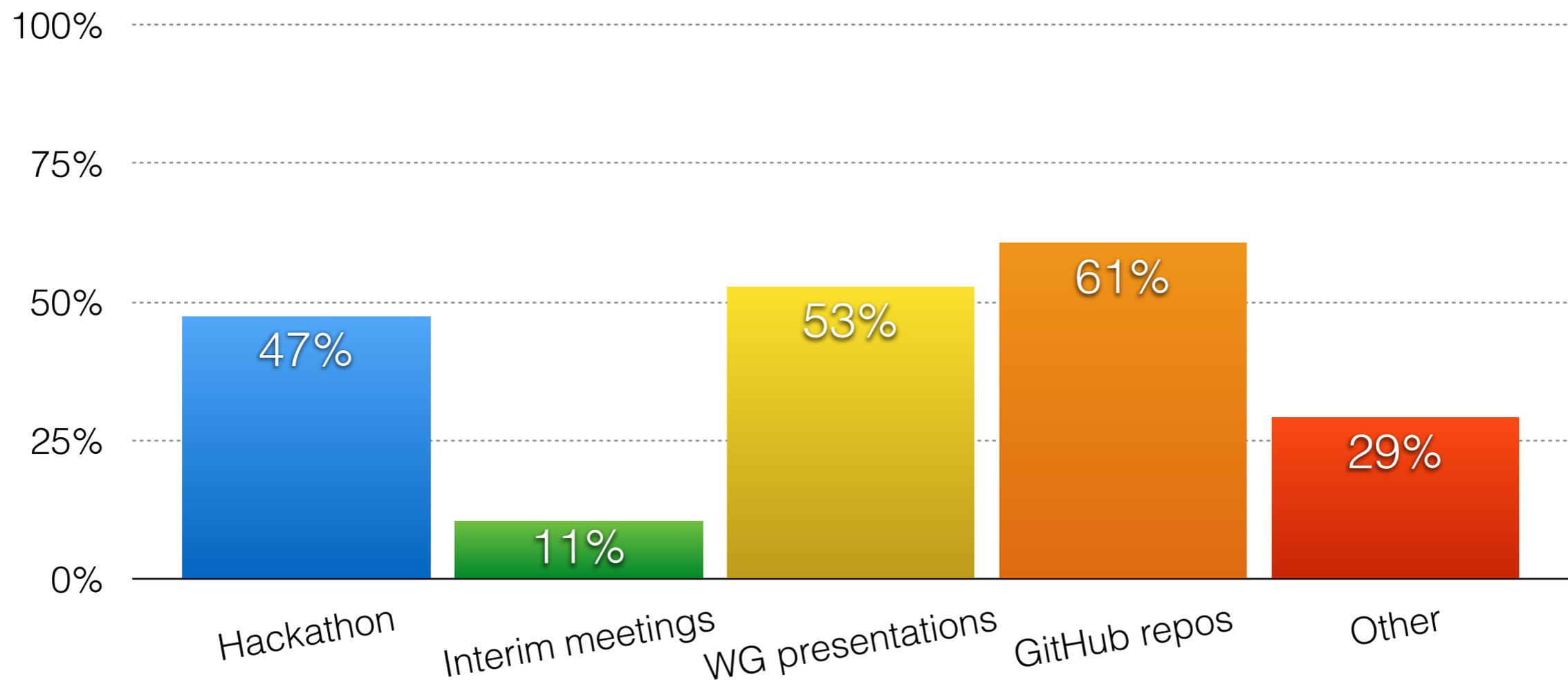
WG Chair Survey

Do you or would you like to track implementation status after RFCs are published?



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Other:

Mailing list

EANTC (European Advanced Networking Test Center)

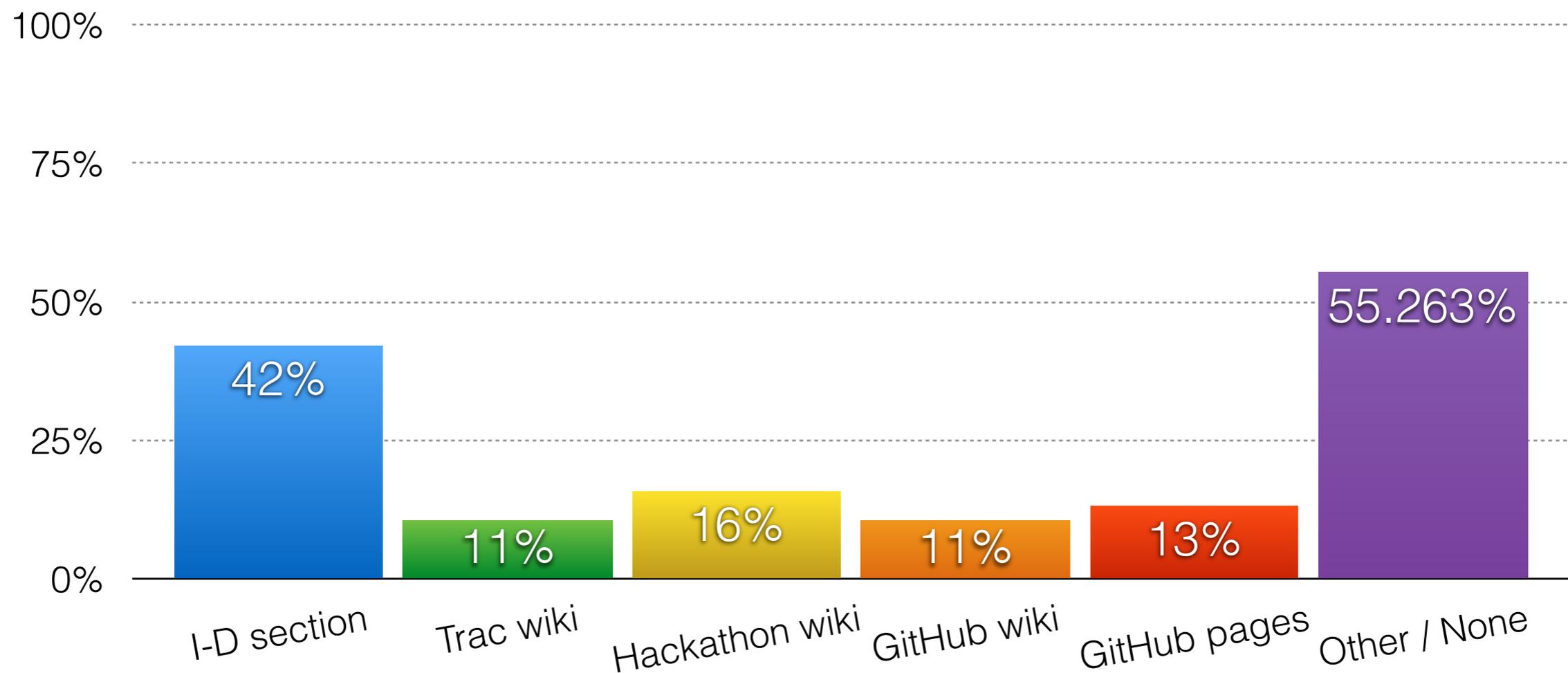
I-D implementation status section

Shepherd writeups

Bakeathons

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What do you use to track implementation status?



“Other” was mainly none, one Google sheet

Implementation Status

What's a good next step?

Define a common pointer to implementation tracking

<https://github.com/intarchboard/program-edm/issues/13>

What happens after a WG/GitHub closes?

<https://github.com/intarchboard/program-edm/issues/14>

Should RFCs point to implementation status?

<https://github.com/intarchboard/program-edm/issues/15>

Can we use the upcoming Hackathon to try things out?

Finding Code

draft-eckel-edm-find-code (<https://www.ietf.org/archive/id/draft-eckel-edm-find-code-01.html>)

Codematch

<https://www.ietf.org/proceedings/92/slides/slides-92-iesg-opsplenary-2.pdf>

<https://github.com/ComputerNetworks-UFRGS/Codestand>

5-year old defunct effort, tried to build a separate app to later merge into data tracker

Protocol Maintenance

draft-iab-protocol-maintenance, “The Harmful Consequences of the Robustness Principle”

IAB adopted draft, but expired

Area of protocol maintenance is in scope for EDM

<https://github.com/intarchboard/program-edm/issues/12>

Protocol Maintenance

What does the draft say?

Argues that the robustness principle (“be conservative in what you send, and liberal in what you accept”) should be avoided for maintained protocols

Agrees that protocol specs can be flawed, but that tolerance of errors leads to protocol decay

Protocols and implementations that are actively maintained and updated are better suited to strict requirements, even when older implementations become excluded

Protocol Maintenance

Do we agree?

Should we take this work on?

What should be changed or updated?