



Survey: Impact of covid-19 on the fishing activity

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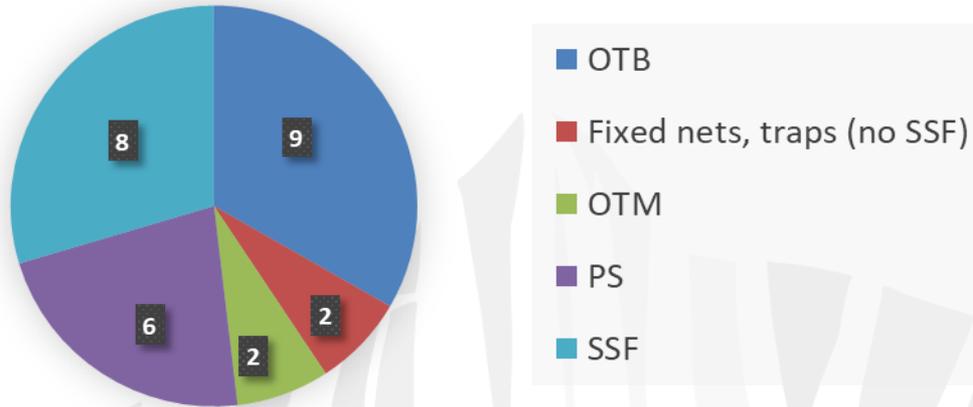


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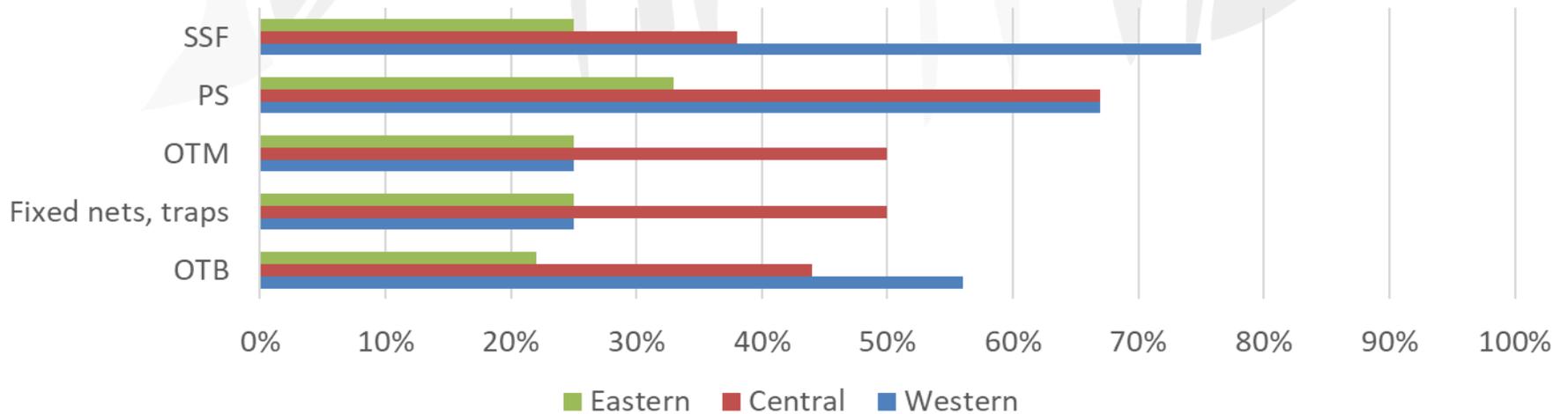


THE SURVEY Fishing gears and sub-regions

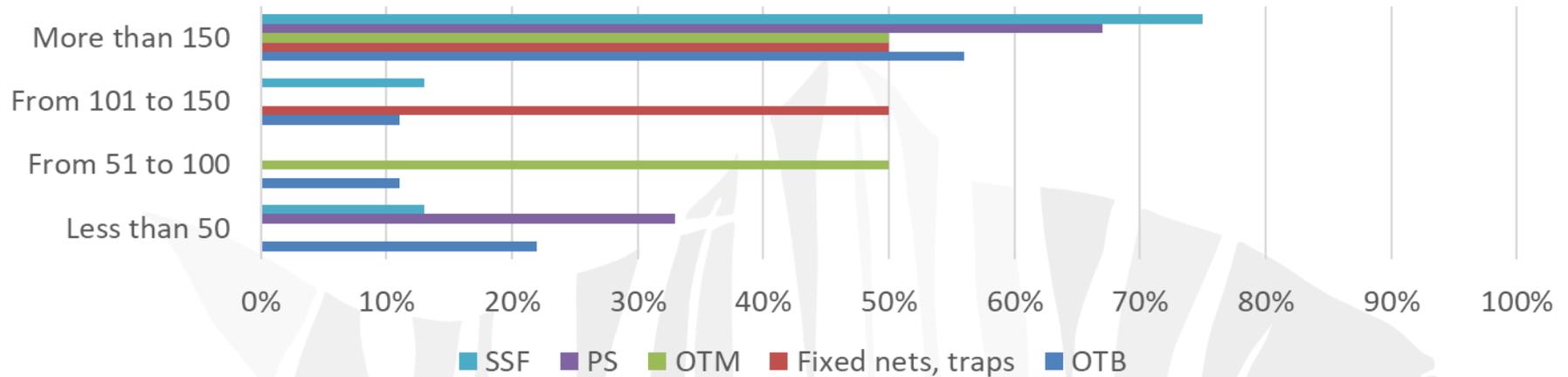
Questionnaires and fishing gears



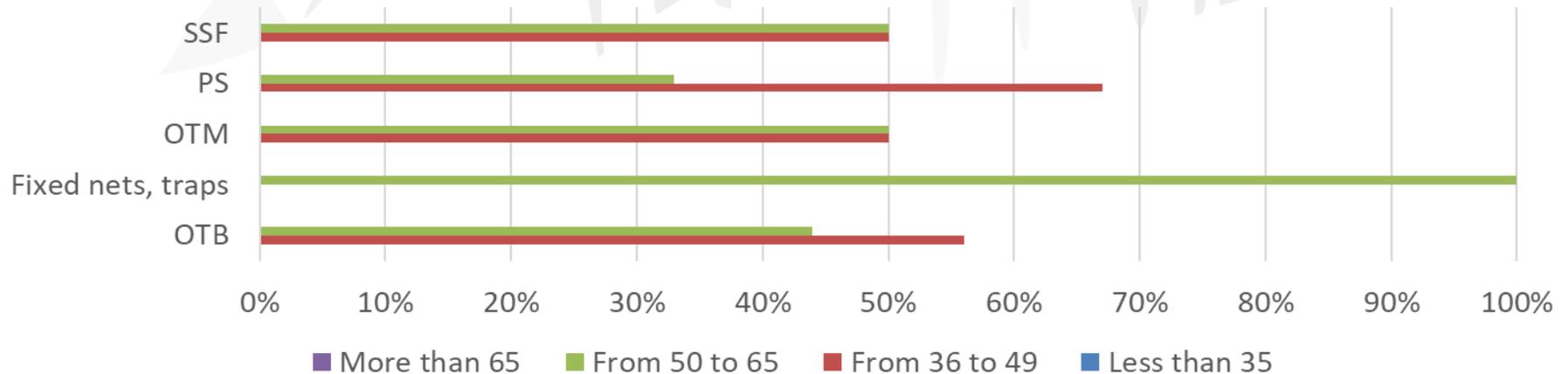
Mediterranean sub-region/sub-regions covered



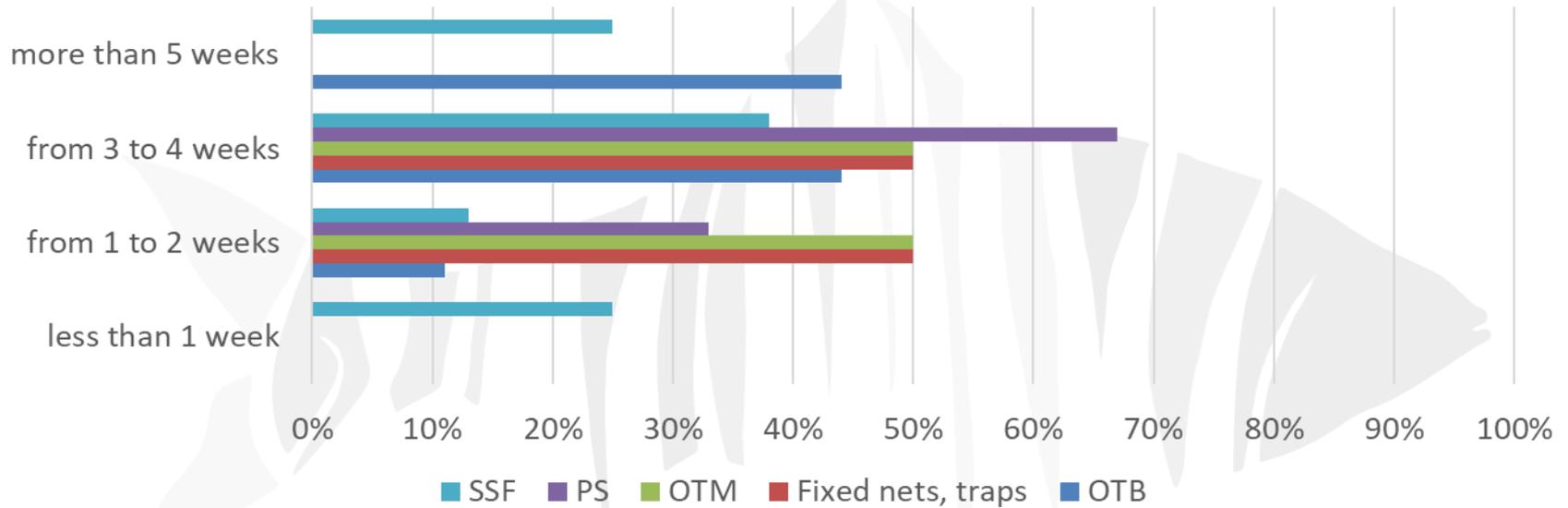
Number of fishers and/or shellfishers who are member of the organization



Average age of fishers and/or shellfishers



Number of weeks without fishing activity due to Covid-19

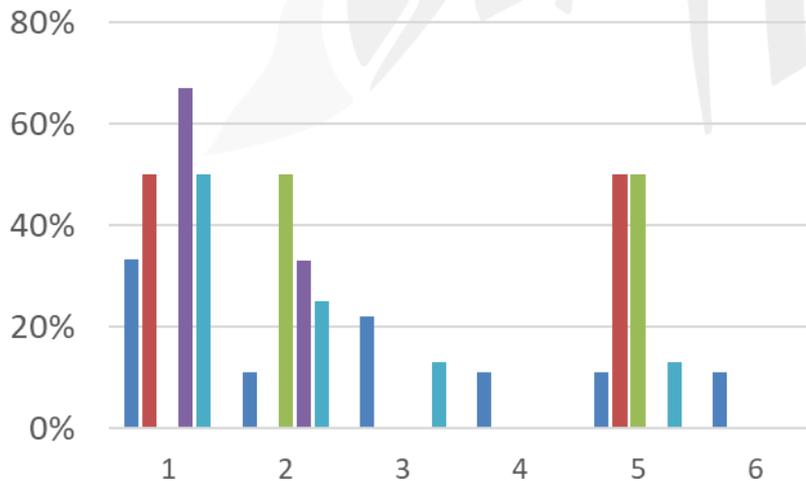


In some country the stop of fishing activities has not been consecutives, while the vessels stopped every other day in order to avoid the collapse of the market price

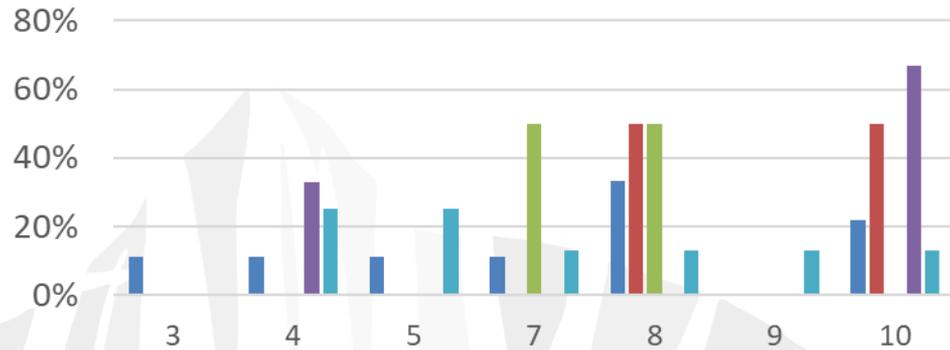
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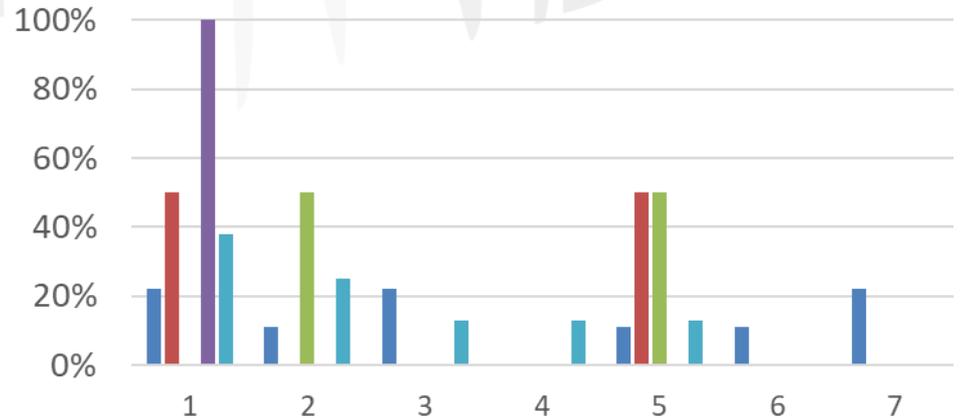
Direct LOSS OF JOBS (loss of fishers' jobs)



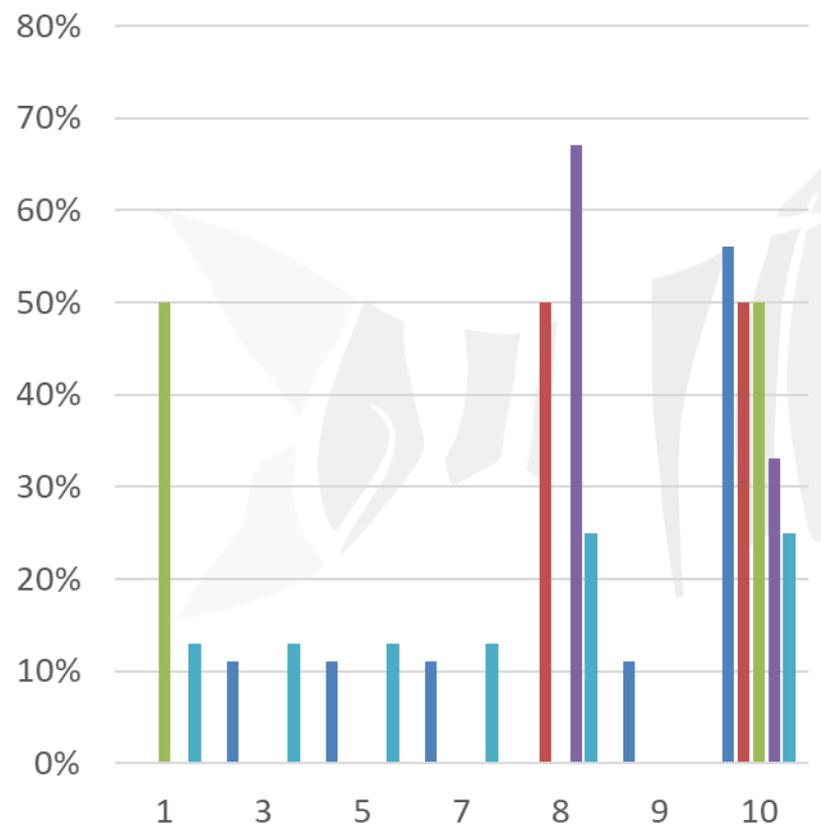
ECONOMIC LOSS (DIRECT OR INDIRECT ECONOMIC LOSS)



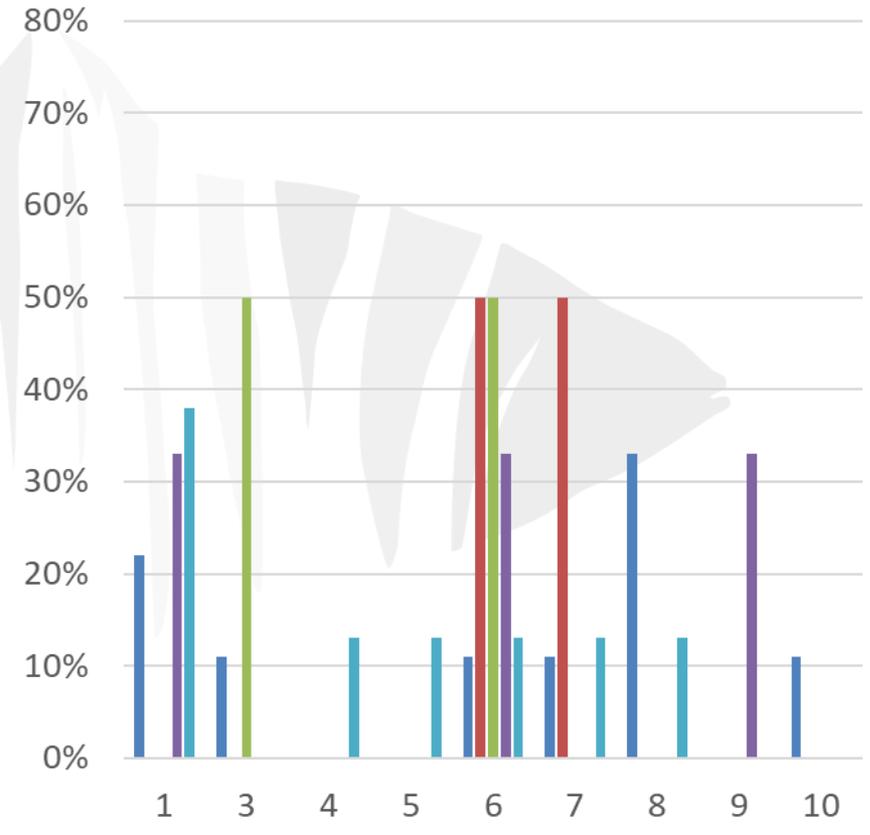
Indirect LOSS OF JOBS (family members involved in the activity, such as sales, processing sector or other)



IMPOSSIBILITY/DIFFICULTY SELLING AT AUCTION



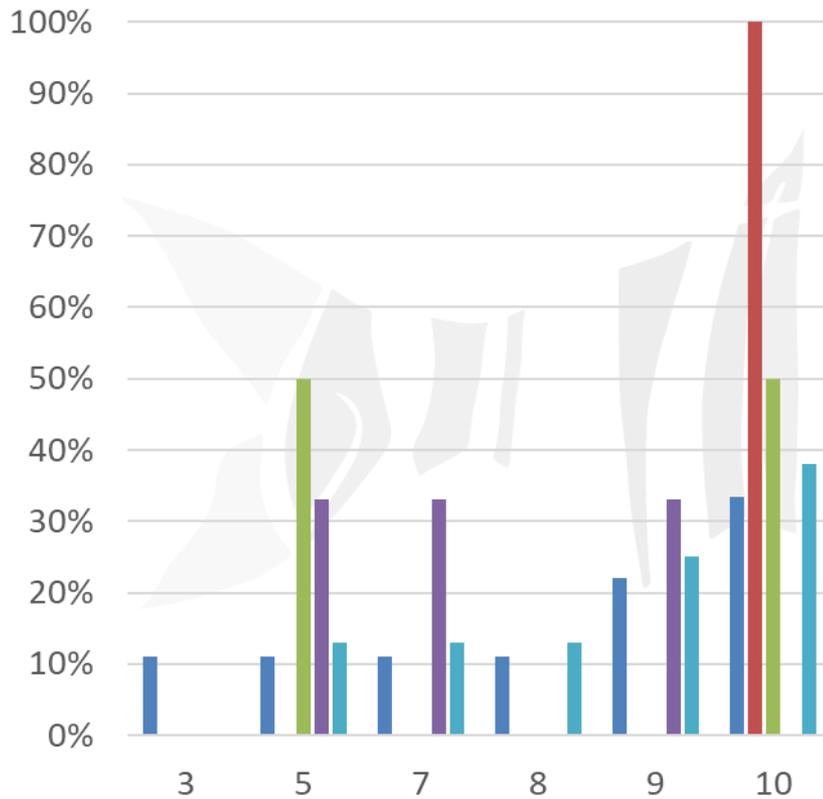
LOGISTICAL RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSPORTATION



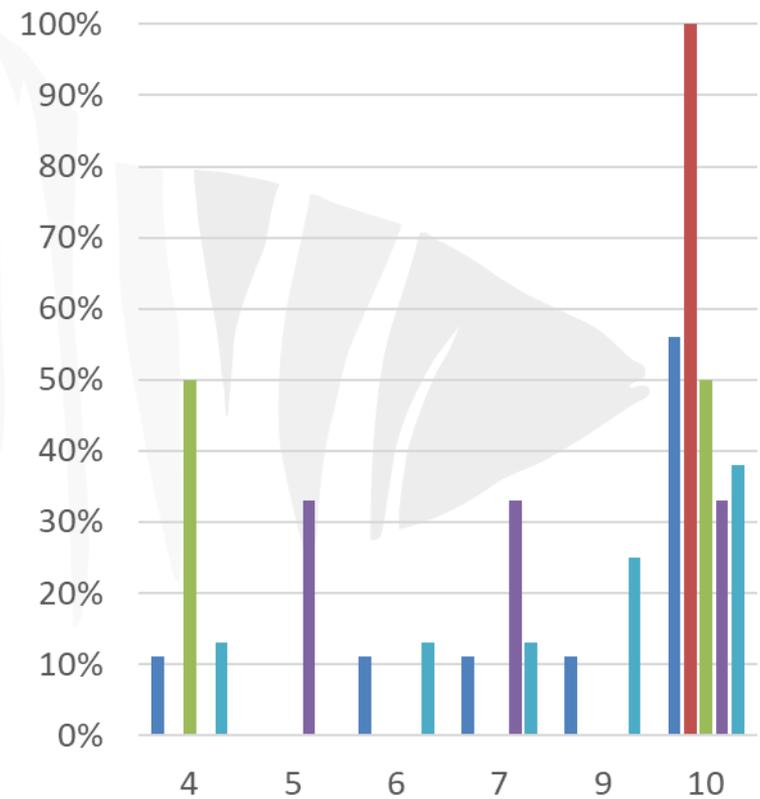
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LOSS OF MARKETS DUE TO THE ABSENCE OF TOURISTS



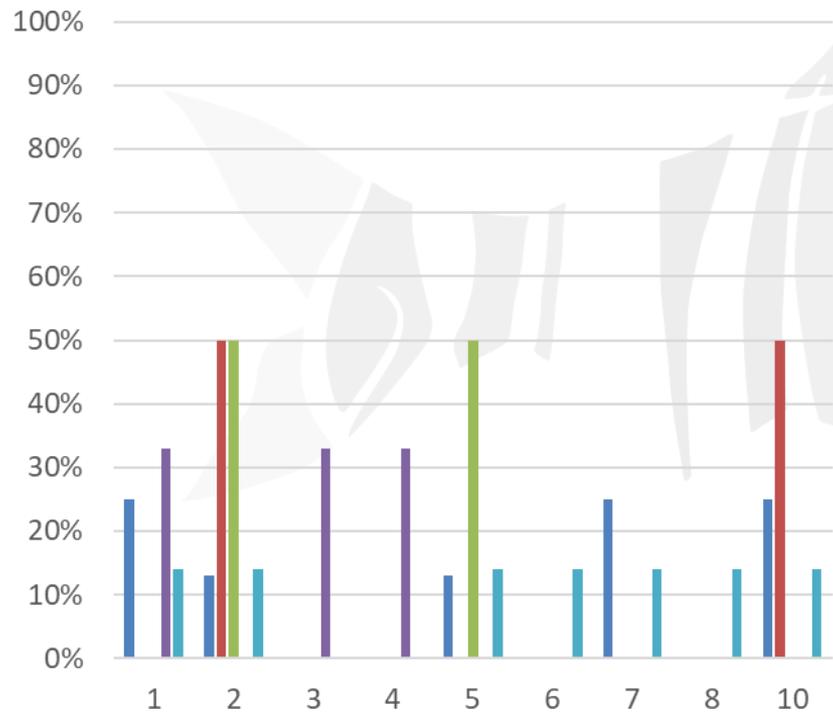
LOSS OF USUAL CUSTOMERS (SCHOOLS, RESTAURANTS, ETC.)



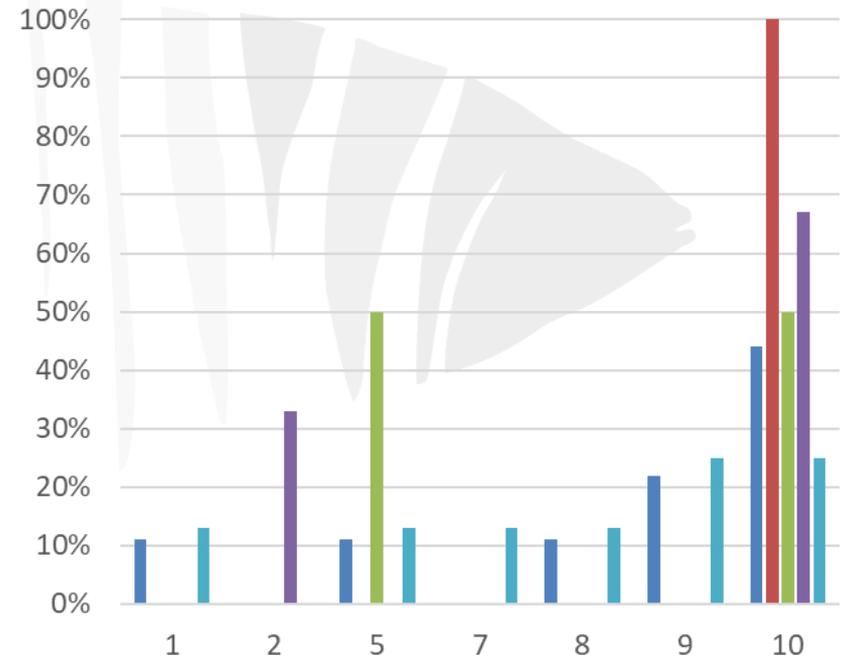
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Importance of **financiament to the small organizations**, which are not recognised as producers organizations, in the market sector



How important is it to **find alternative sales channels**, which guarantee the correct distribution of the products, in case of failure of intermediaries system?

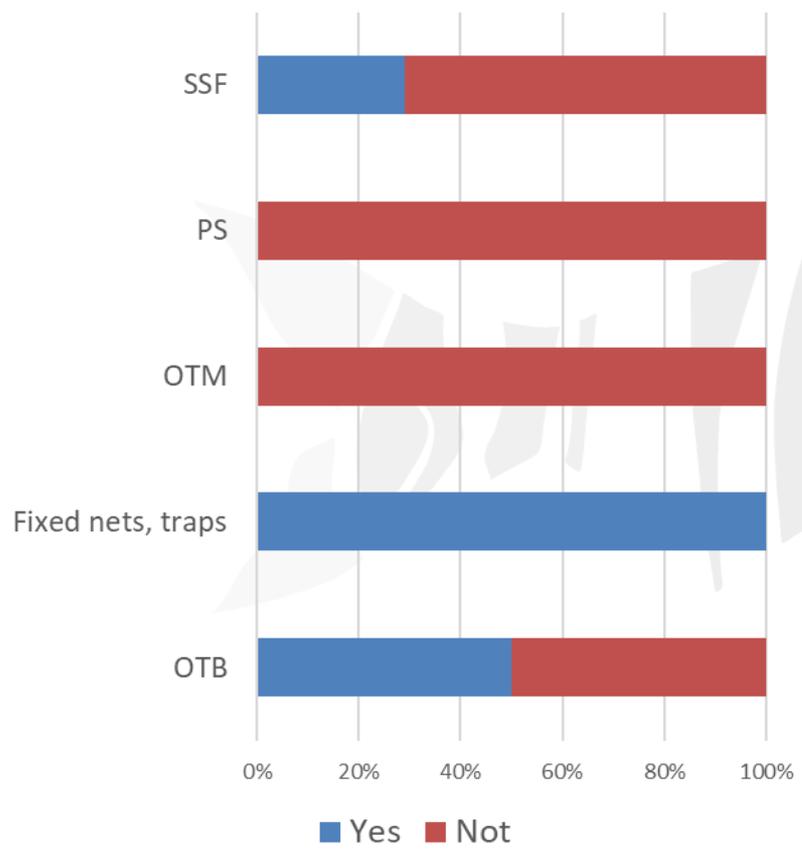


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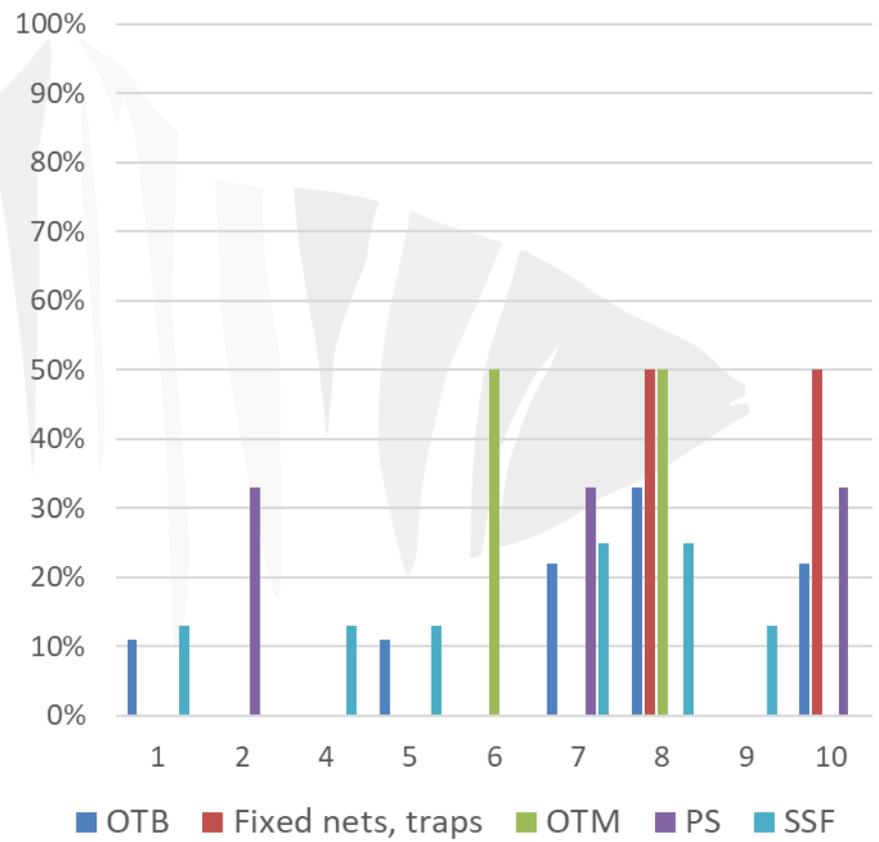
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COVID-19 EFFECTS

Did your organization FIND/IS FINDING NEW MARKETS?



How important is the FINDING OF NEW MARKETS?



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Logistical organisational difficulties,
especially for smaller fleets

No restaurant
activities without
tourists,
Crisis for families

Absence of marketing
strategies, Insufficient
digitalisation of sales

Seasonality
of fishing
products
availability

What are the main
issues related to the
direct sales of local
seafood?

Absence of
direct buyers
due to lockdown

Competition from
foreign products, need
of local products
certification

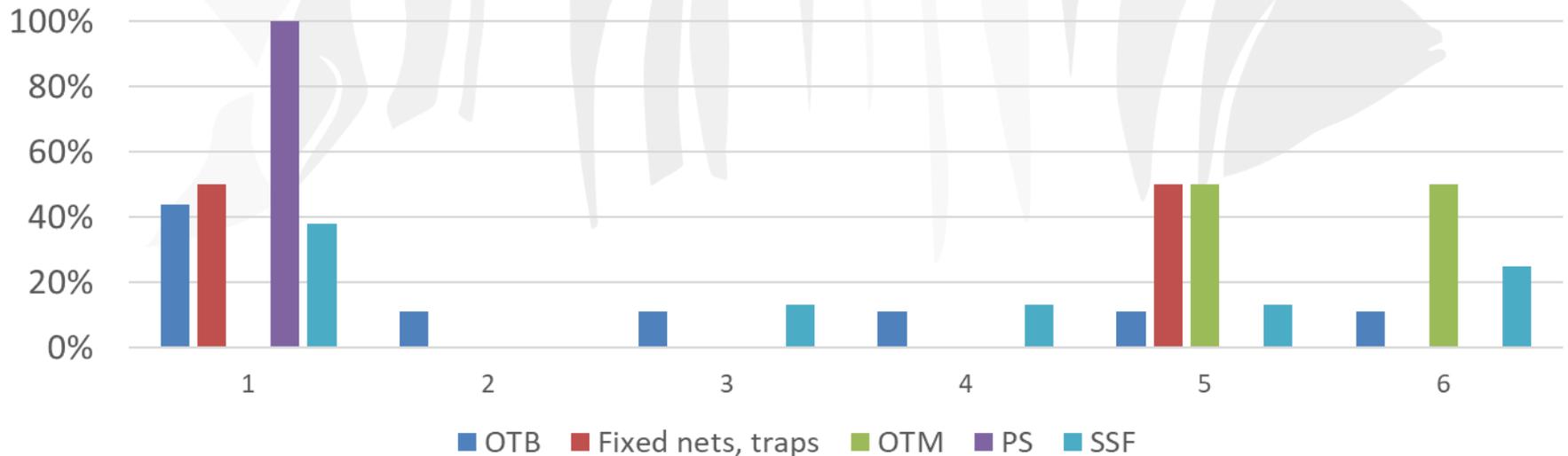
Competition
against auctions

Instability of products
demand: decrease of
demand and decrease
of price

No organization is implementing the STOCKING (E.G., FREEZING, SMOKING) to face the crisis caused by COVID-19

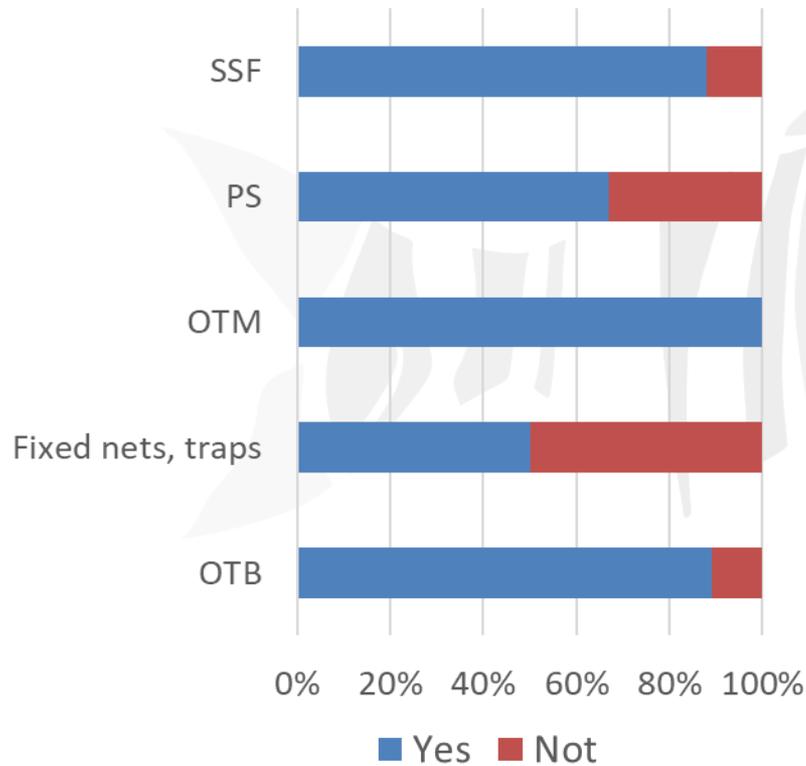


How relevant is the STOCKING (E.G., FREEZING, SMOKING)?

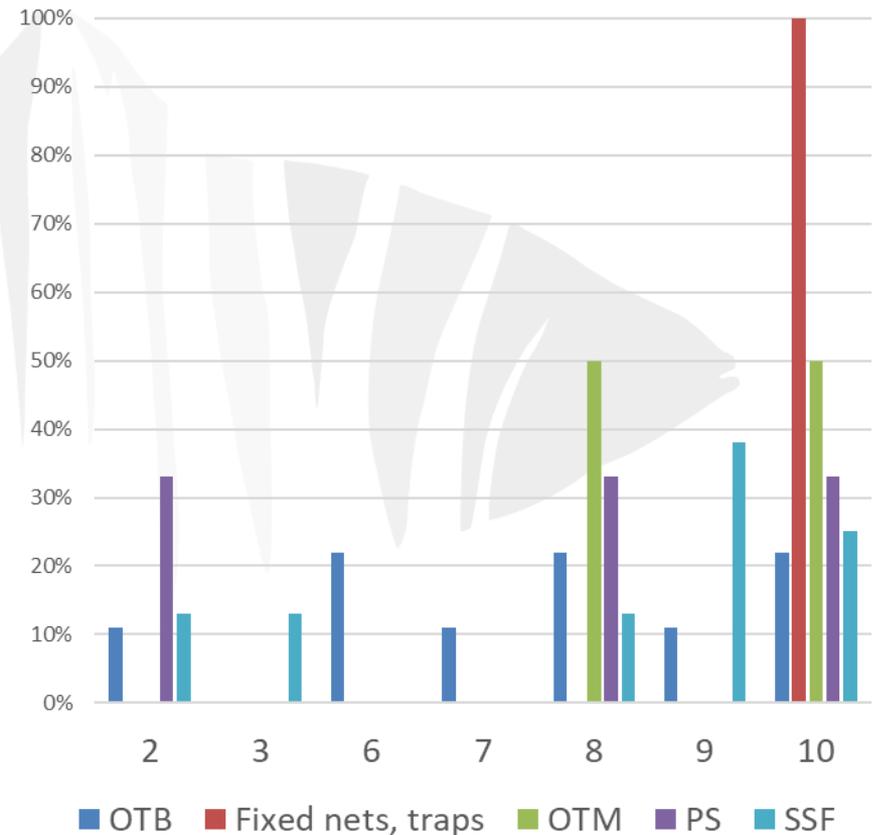


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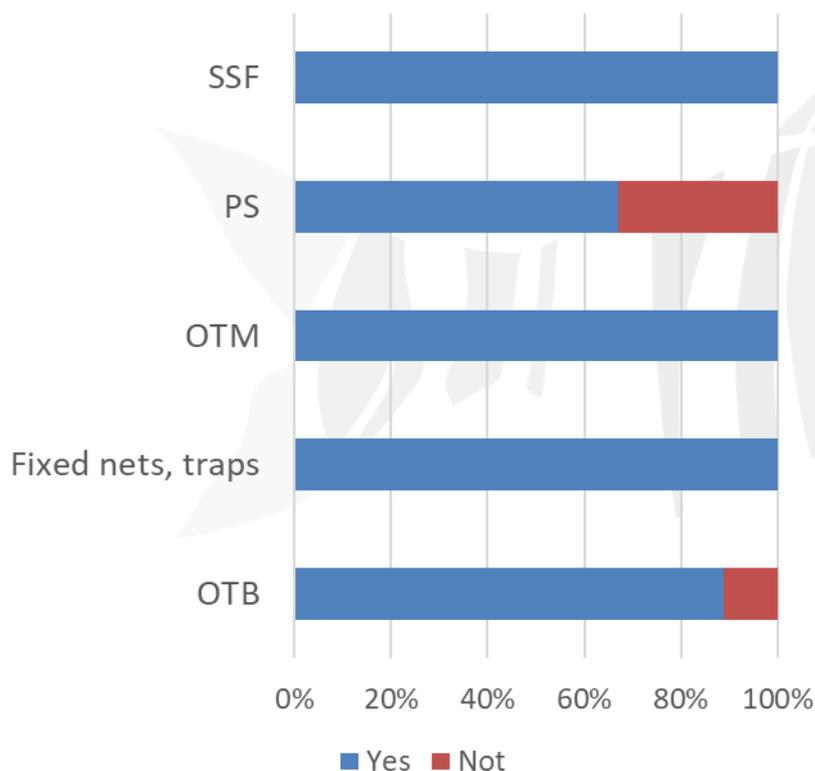


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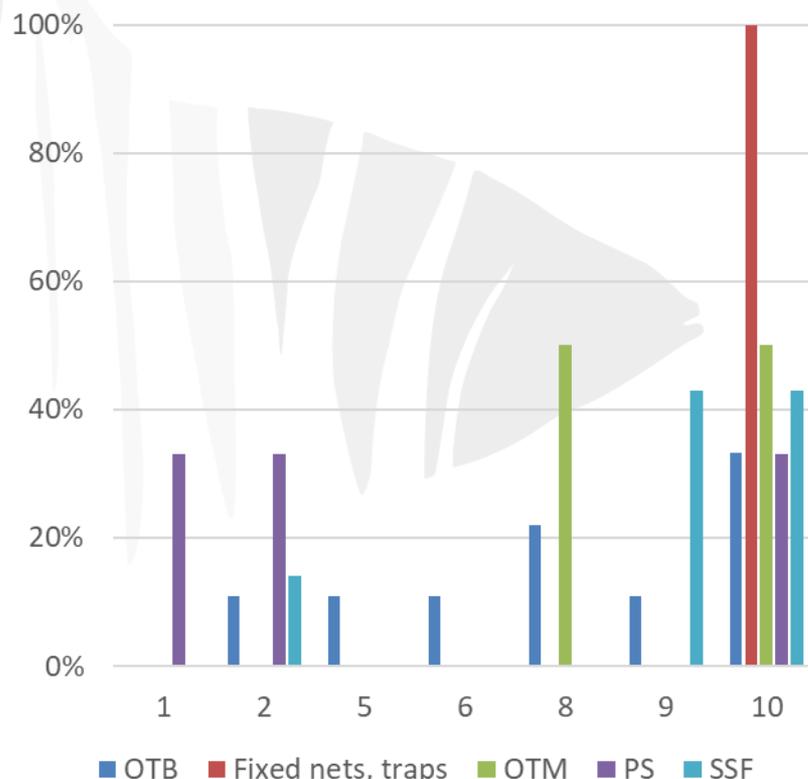


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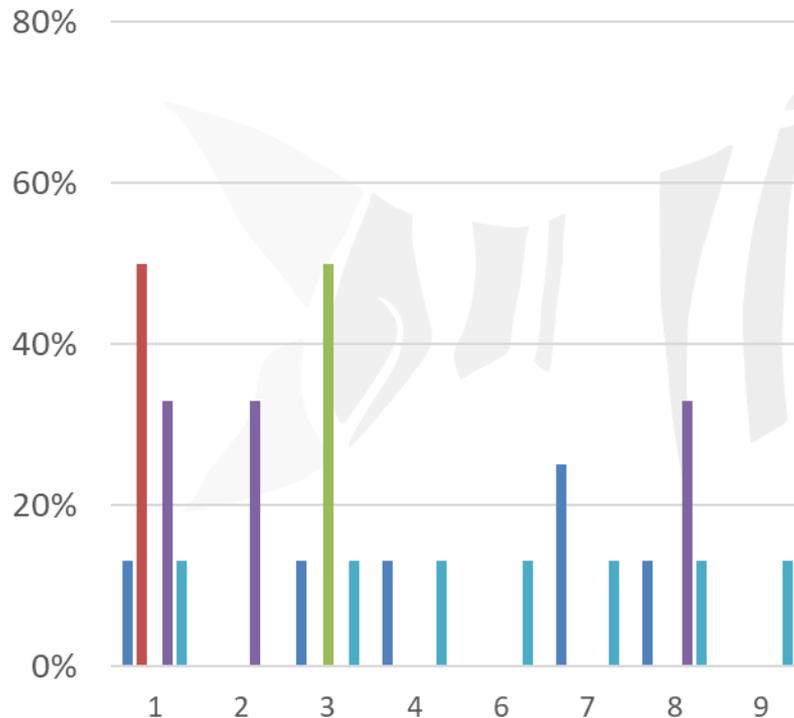


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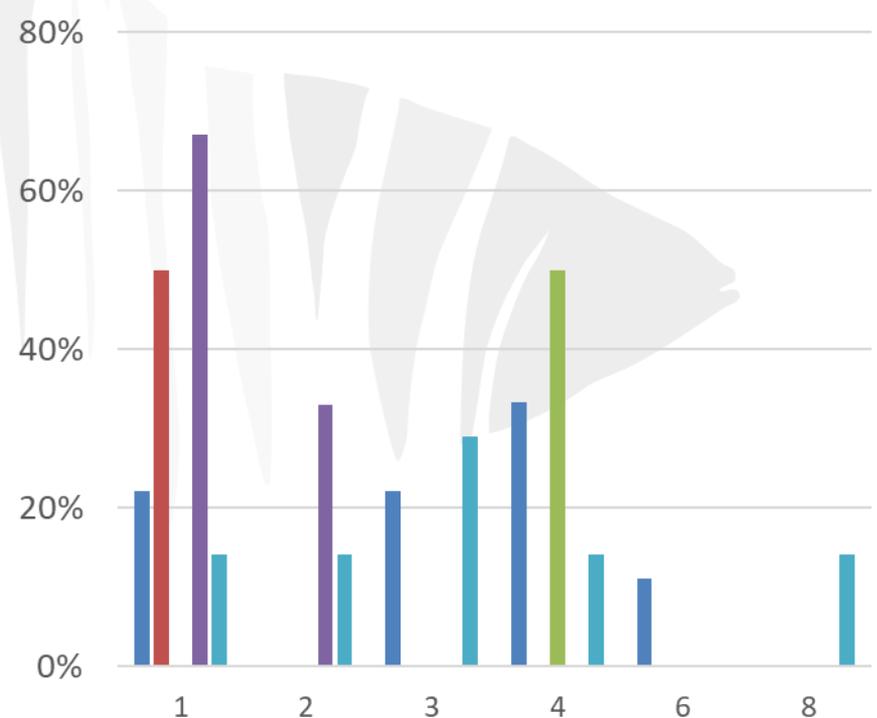


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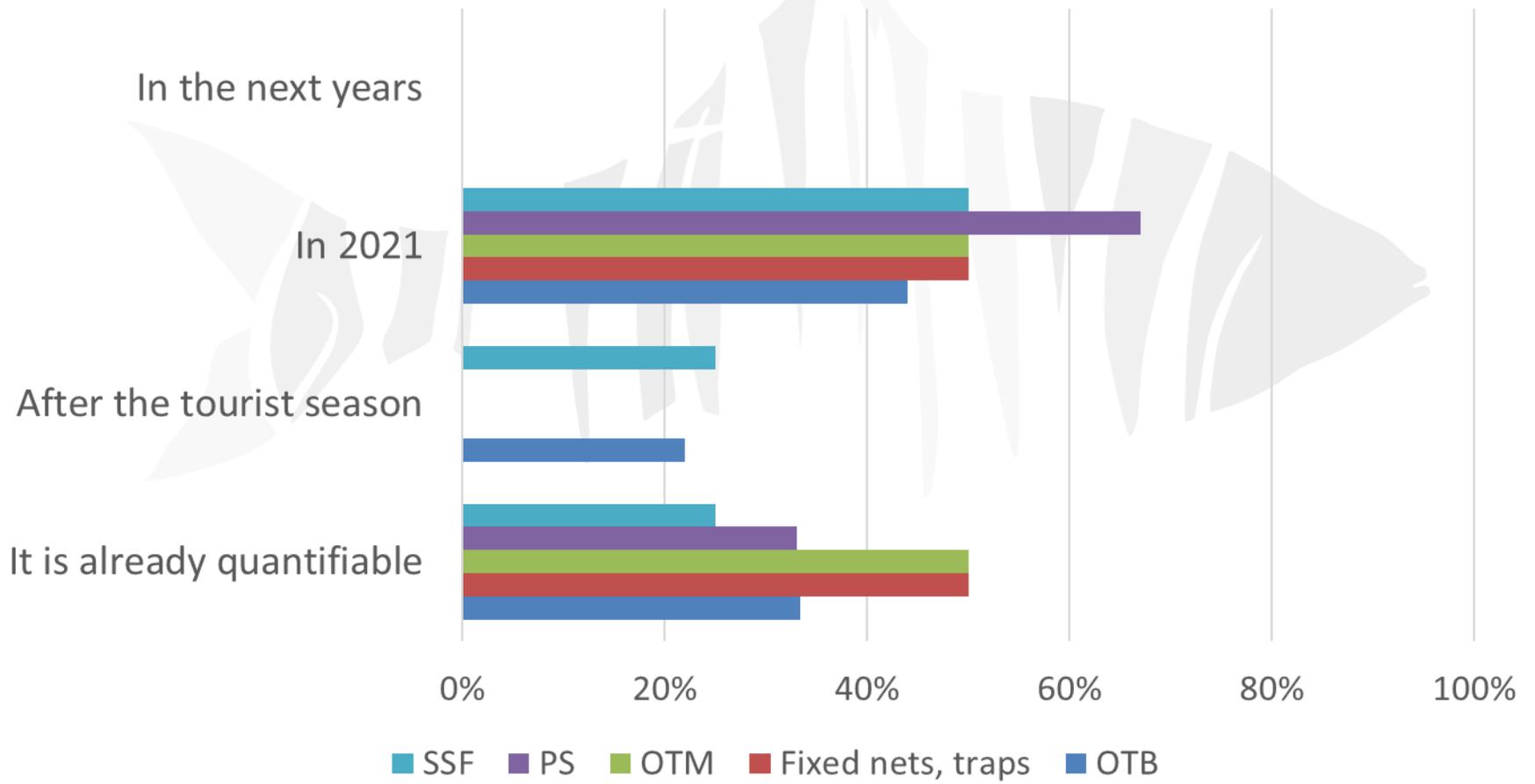


How important is the impact due to FISHERS WORKING AT SEA MORE VULNERABLE TO GETTING THE VIRUS on the health and well-being of fishers?



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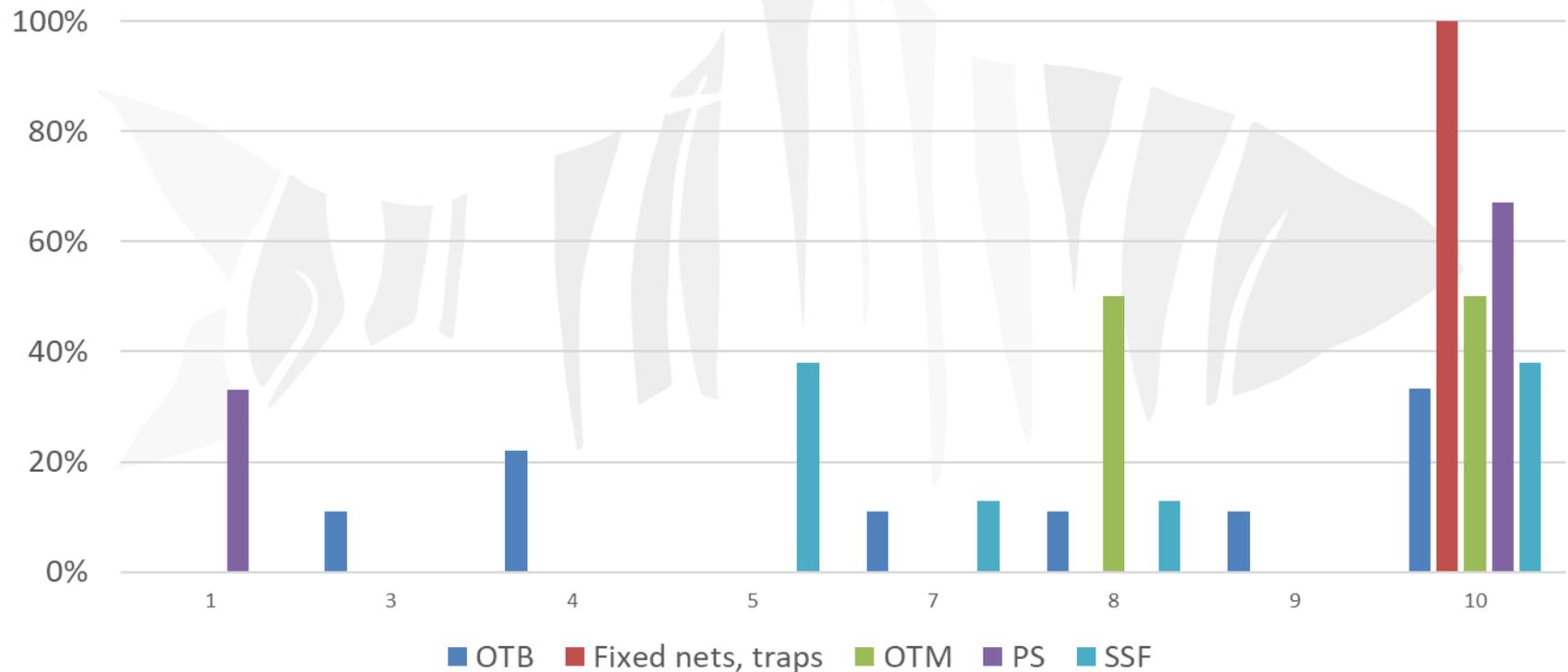
When the overall impact of Covid-19 on the fishery sector will be quantifiable?



What strategies the Commission should support to overcome the Covid-19 crisis in the fishery sector?

- **More flexibility** in organizing the fishing activity according to the **market's fluctuation**;
- More flexibility, so that fishing companies can carry out **the process of traceability themselves** in case of need. Otherwise, if the organizations of first sale fail due to the crisis, the market stops;
- **Same rules for EU and non-EU countries in the Med**;
- Enhancement and **greater certification** of the EU products;
- Incentives for **fleet modernization**;
- **Financial strategies** in order to promote local products;
- Speed up the **payment of temporary cessation** of activity and broaden eligibility for the measure;
- **Support on-line sales platform** and stocking/freezing capacities
- **More important aid targeted** at specific fishing activities which are more in difficulties than others, rather than aids given to all companies, regardless of the real impact the Covid-19 crisis had on them.

How important is a structural intervention that allows the development of fishing enterprises, so that they go up the supply chain, in order to be autonomous also in activities on land?



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