



The Young Essex Assembly Elections 2010

Basildon
Braintree
Brentwood
Castle Point

Chelmsford
Colchester
Maldon
Rochford

Tendring
West



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Overview

The 5th Young Essex Assembly elections opened on November 29th with schools and projects around Essex engaging in the democratic process. The YEA is set up to mirror the County Council both in number and geographical distribution. For the first time the voting took place online with young people being issued with a Unique Voter Code through their school, college or youth provision. Young people logged on to the mi-vote.com website and were then able to cast their vote, read more about the candidates and take part in the ballot paper survey. Holding the elections online was a cost saving exercise but it also reflected the environmental concerns of many young people. By the time some of the young people are eligible to vote in adult elections it is quite possible online voting will be available. We had very positive feedback from young people about the ease of using the voting website and the environmental benefits.

The survey asked young people what was important to them and what they wanted the YEA to work on over the coming two years. The issues listed on the survey were identified by past YEA members and in conjunction with other young people. The survey also gave space for young people to tell us about any other issues that concerned them or to make any comments. The survey results are broken down into areas across Essex as well as county wide data. There is separate data for Basildon, Braintree, Colchester, Castle Point, Maldon, Brentwood, Tendring, Rochford, Chelmsford and West Essex (Uttlesford, Harlow and Epping Forrest combined).

Unfortunately the elections fell at the same time as the snow and many schools missed the first week of the election. A decision was taken to extend the elections however this tied in with the end of school term and was also a difficult time for schools to engage. In the future we may look to hold the elections at a slightly different time of the year, possibly to fit in with Local Democracy Week.

The newly elected YEA members will take up their official term of office on 5th February 2011 when they will be welcomed into Council Chambers by Cllr Bass, Chairman of Essex County Council. The young people will remain in office for two years, they will meet for county wide sittings four times a year but they will meet regularly as part of their subgroup work.



The YEA subgroups will be formed around the issues that came top in the survey and this year the groups will be:

- Bullying, Crime and Feeling Safe
- Drugs, Smoking and Alcohol
- School, Education and Exam Stress
- The Negative Image of Young People

Children's Rights featured highly in the survey, this underpins everything the YEA does and the work of all subgroups so it will be addressed continually.

In addition to the four topic based subgroups the YEA will elect 12 young people to represent Essex in the UK Youth Parliament.



Members of the Young Essex Assembly 2010-12

Basildon

Alice
Cat
Cheyenne
Chloe
Ellen
Laura
Sam
Sasha
Sian

Castle Point

Amy
Jaide
Kayla
Laura
Zara

Maldon

Emily
Jaidon
Sam

West

Becky
Elli
Flynn
Jemma
Katie
Liam
Lucinda
Rhys
Shannon
Victoria

Braintree

Angela
Demi
Ekenna
Jessica
Karl
Perry
Paul
Rebecca

Chelmsford

Bethany
Elizabeth
Georgia
Joshua
Mudiwa
Ryan
Scott
Stefanie
Tia

Rochford

Ben
Crystal
Masie
Natalie
Natasha

Brentwood

Beccy
Harry
Nick
Sarah

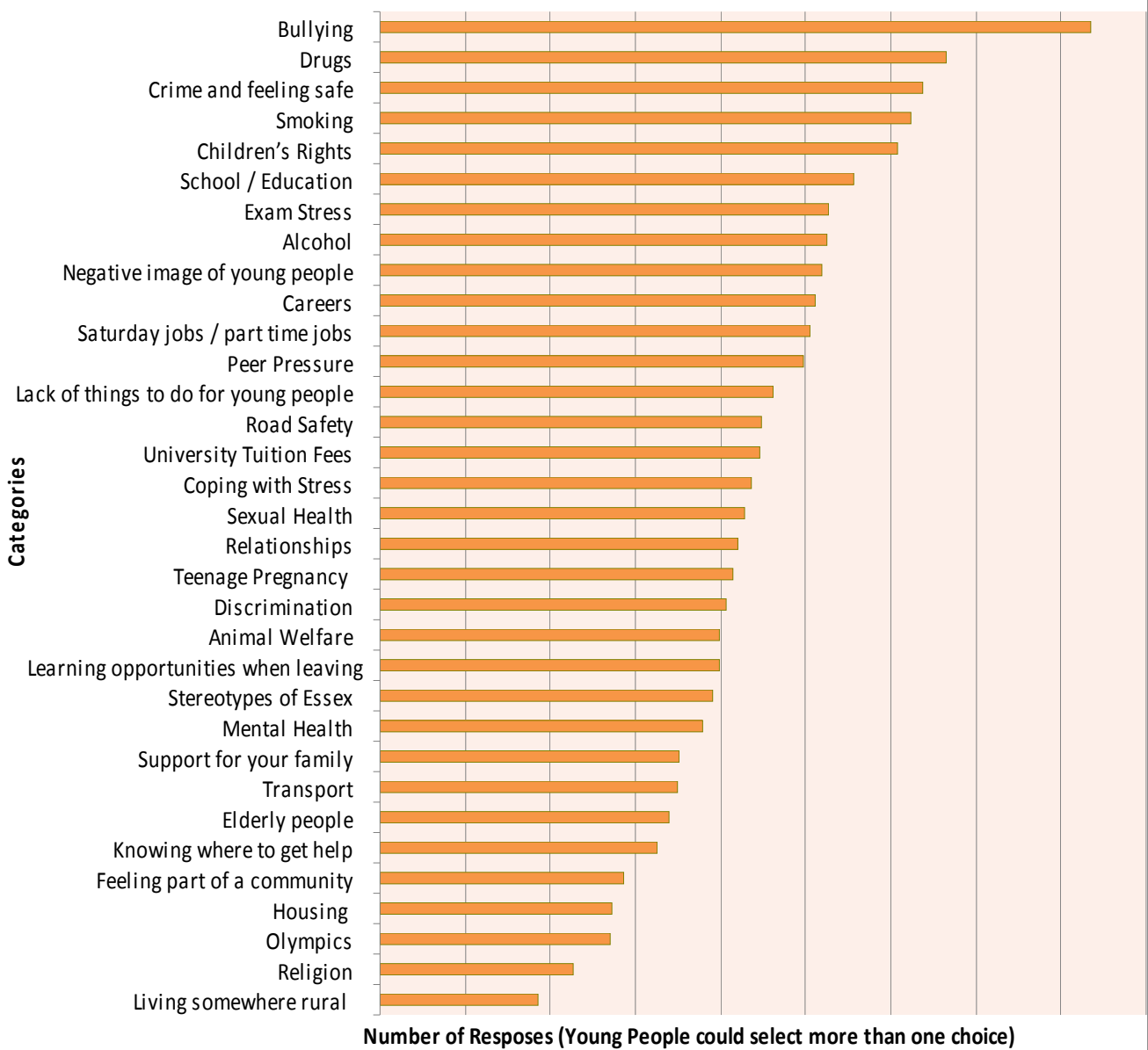
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Charlotte
Daniel
Emily
Georgia
Harry
Laura
Joshua
Thomas

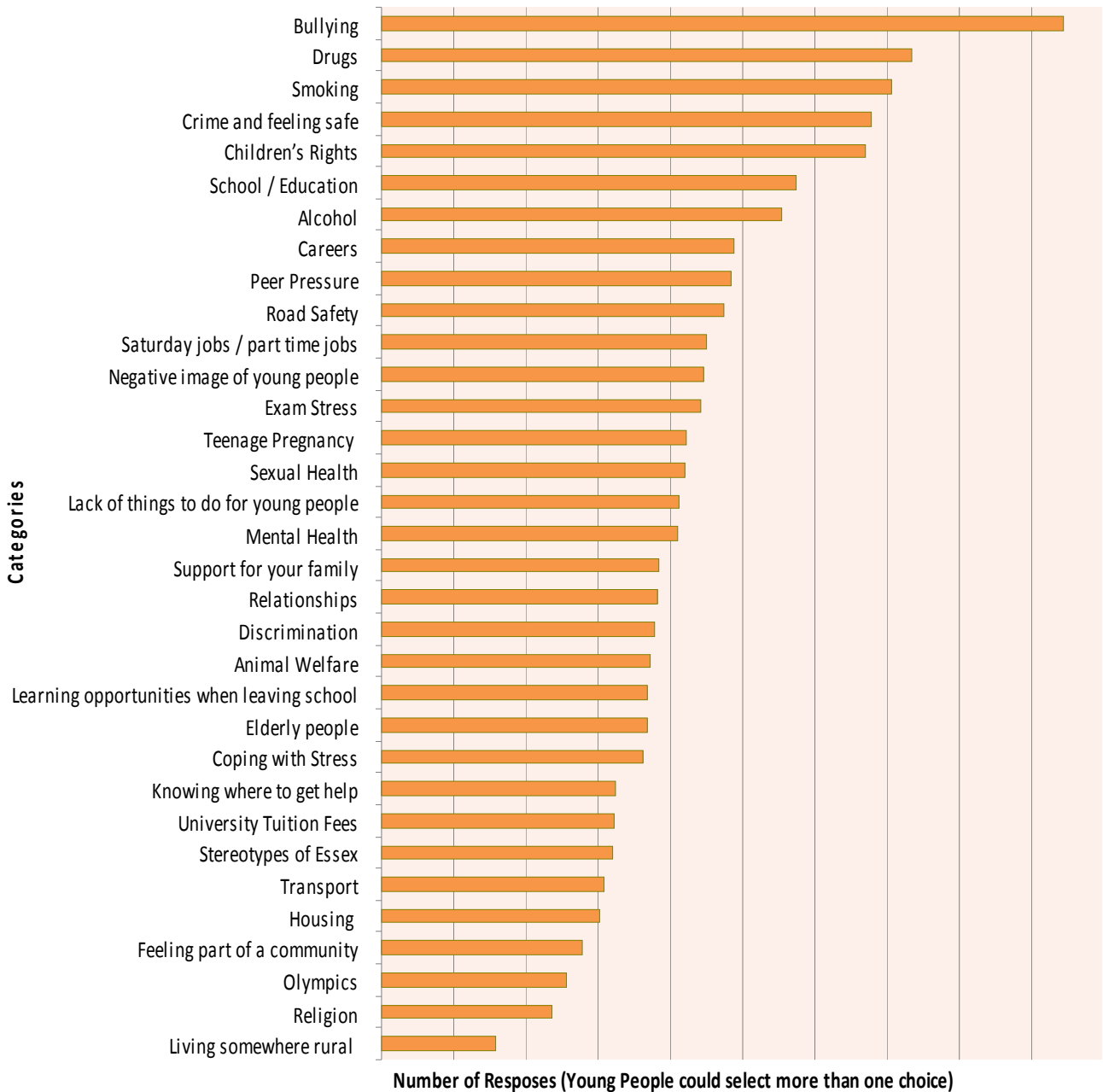
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Bryony
Chloe
Ellisa
Franki
George
Jodie
Lavinia

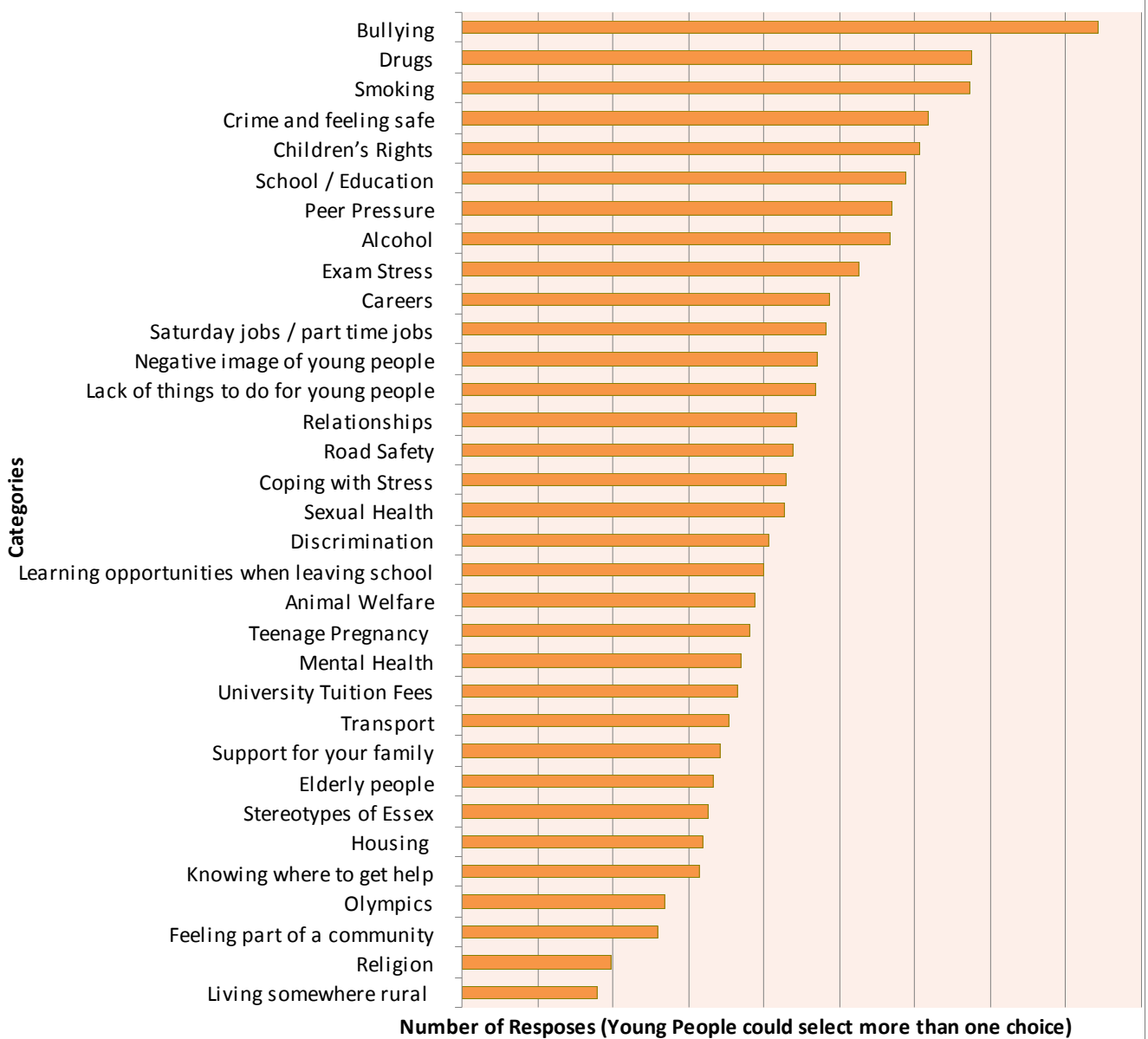
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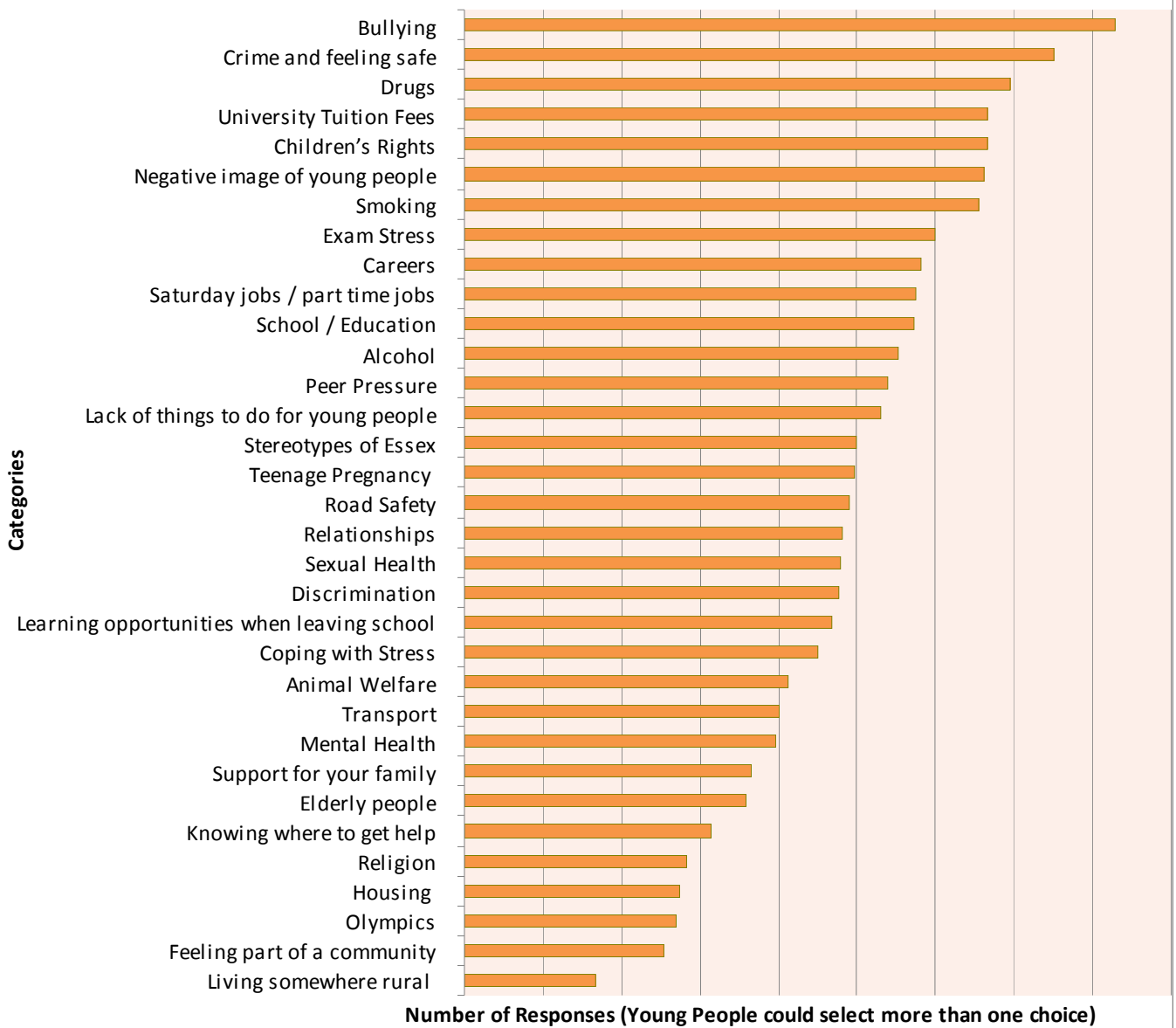
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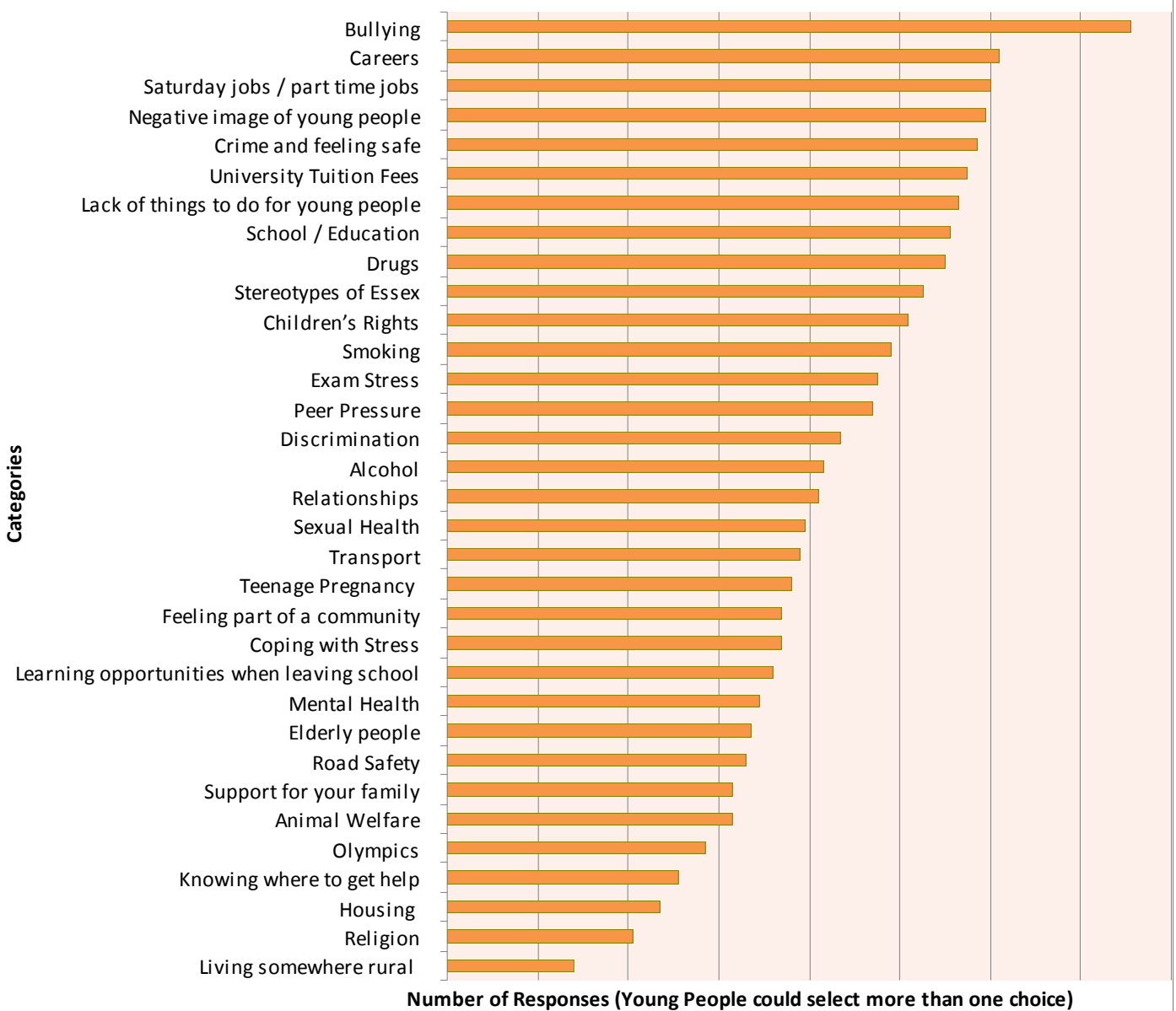
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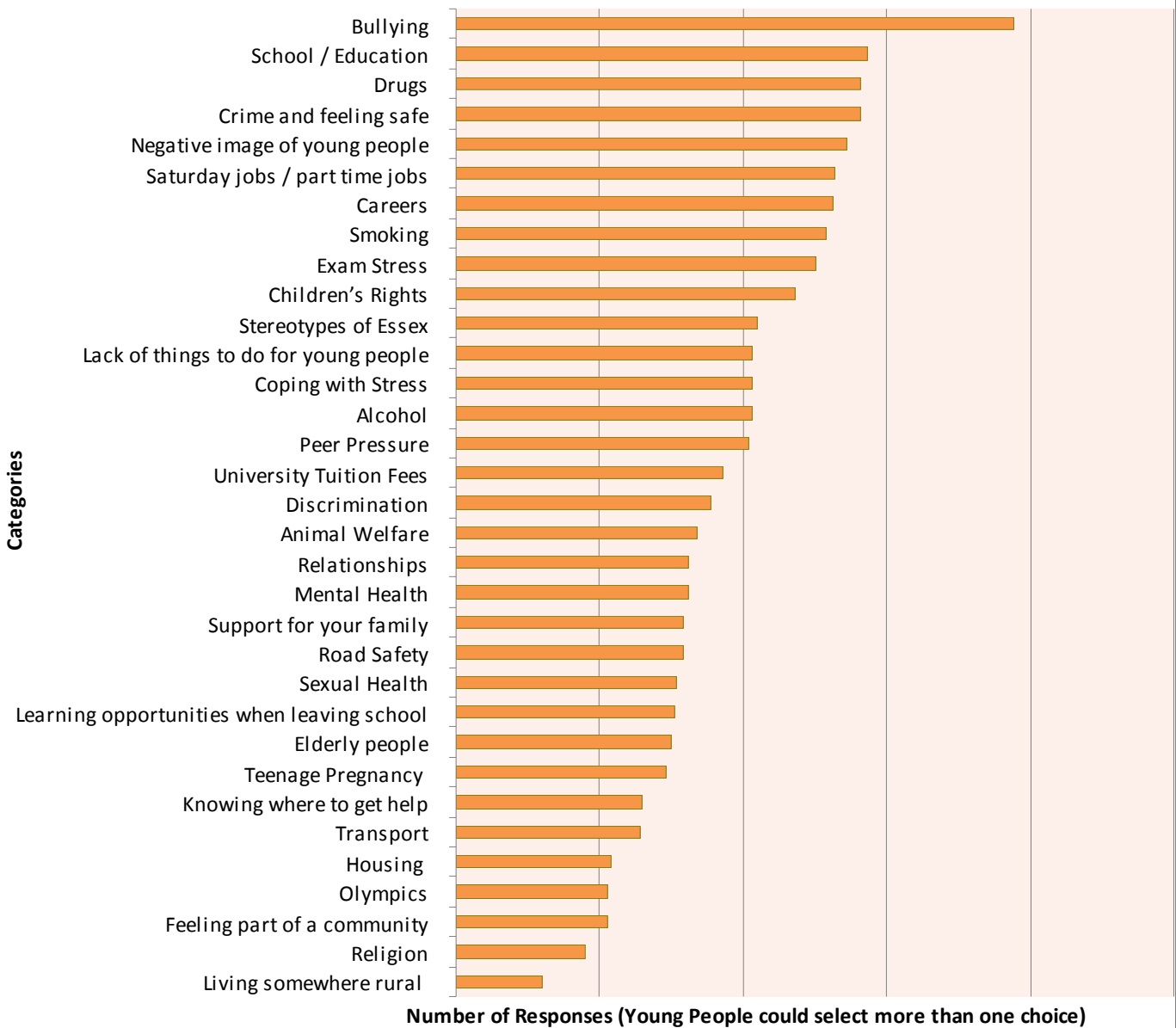
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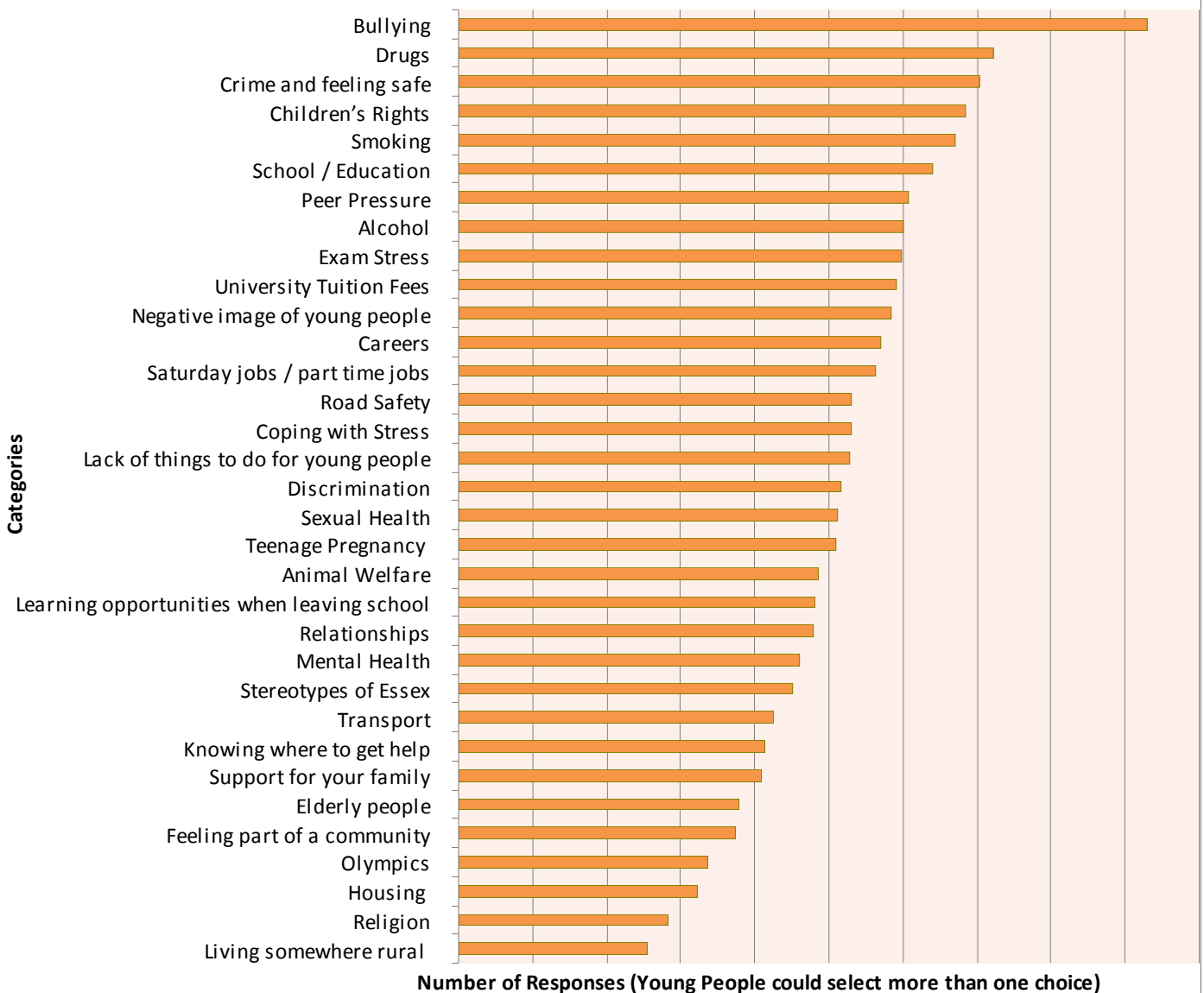
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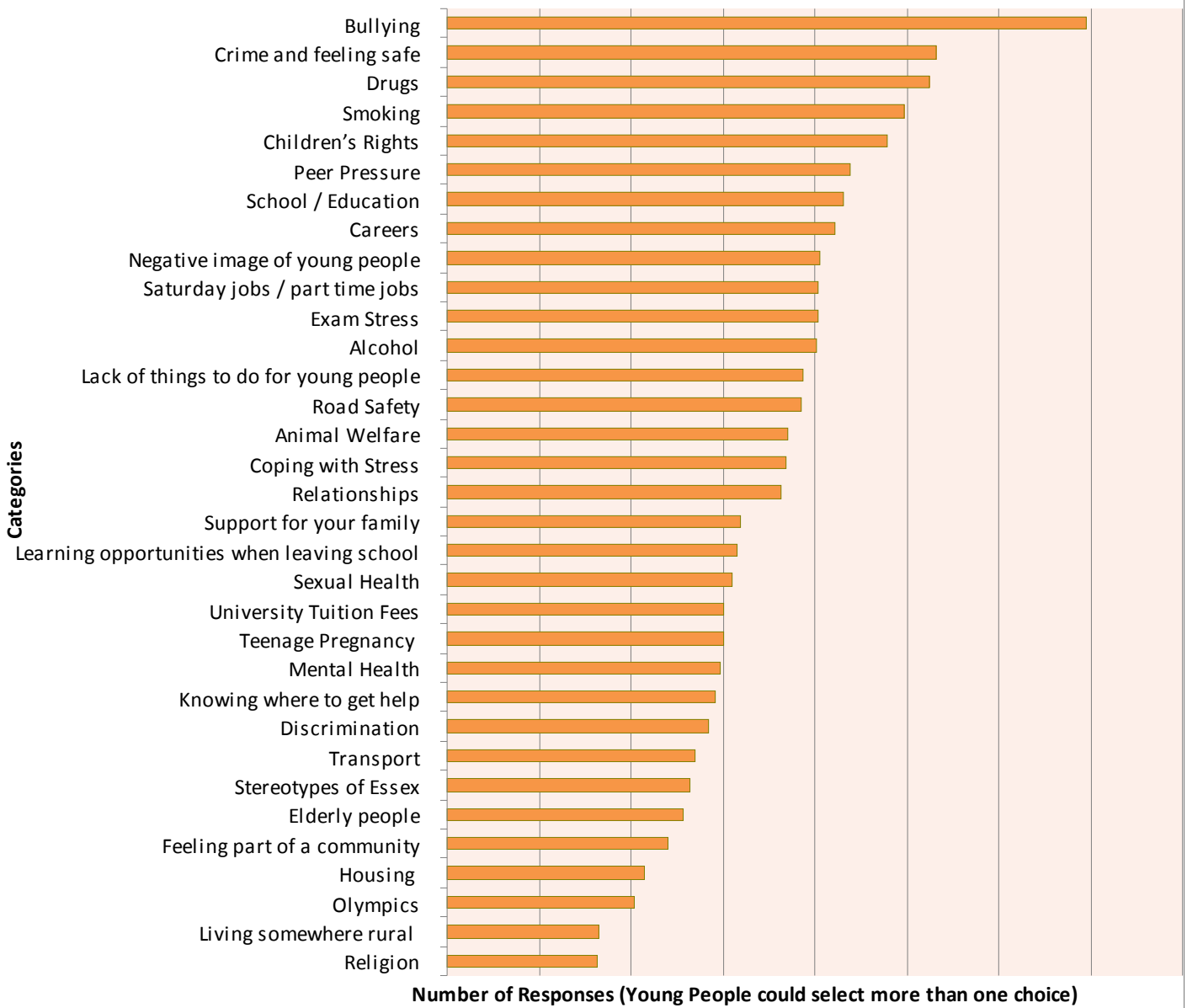
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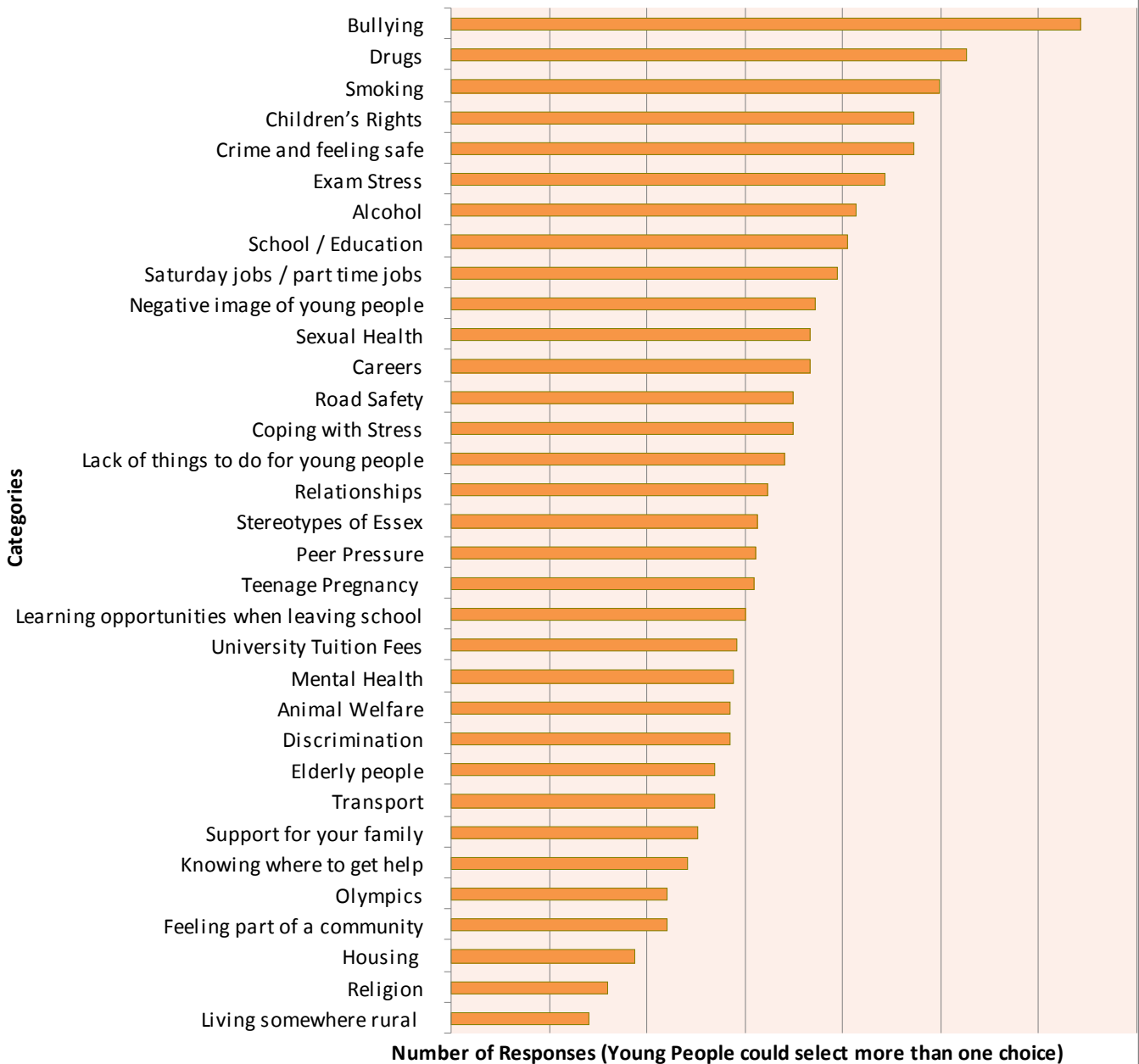
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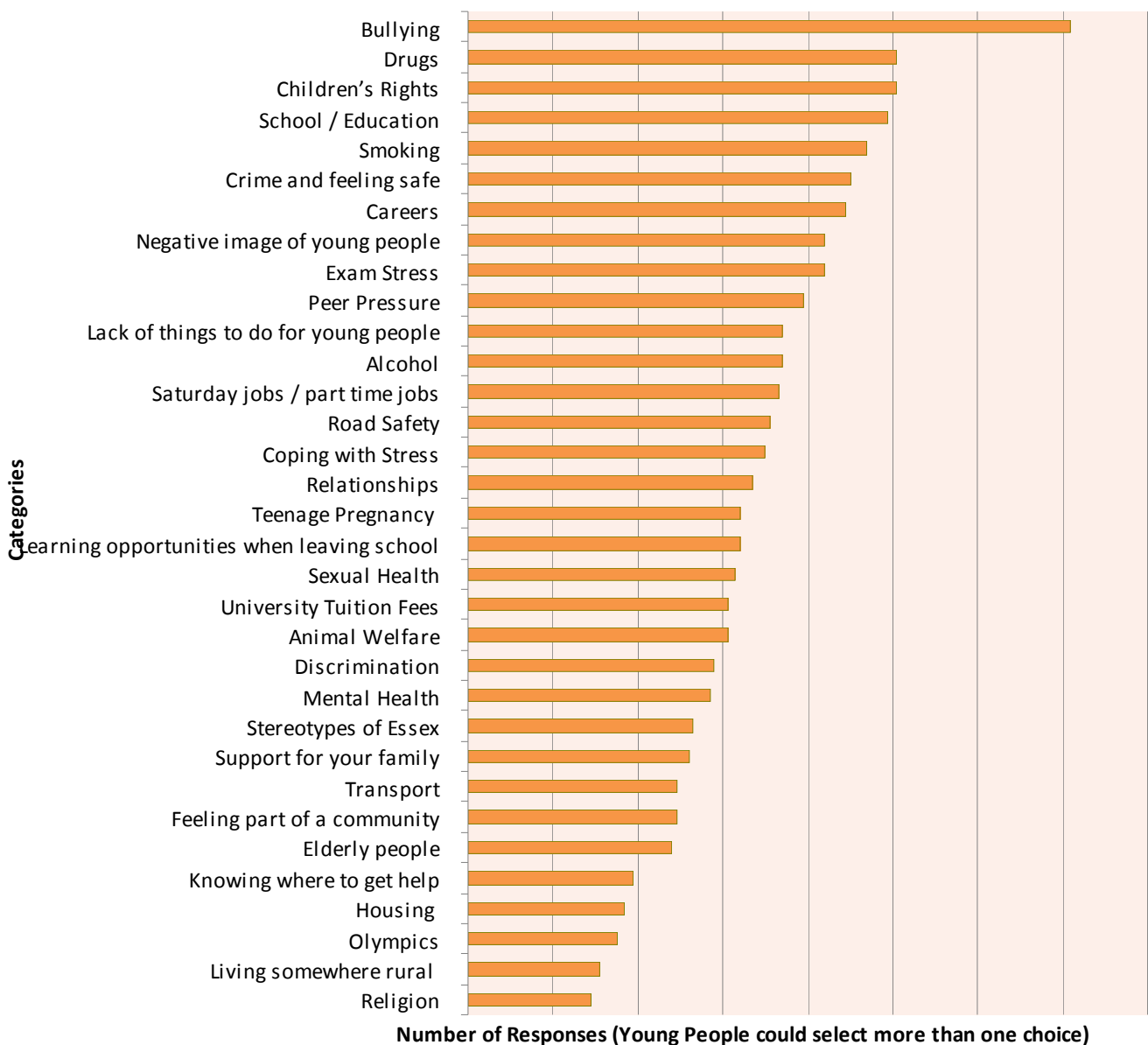
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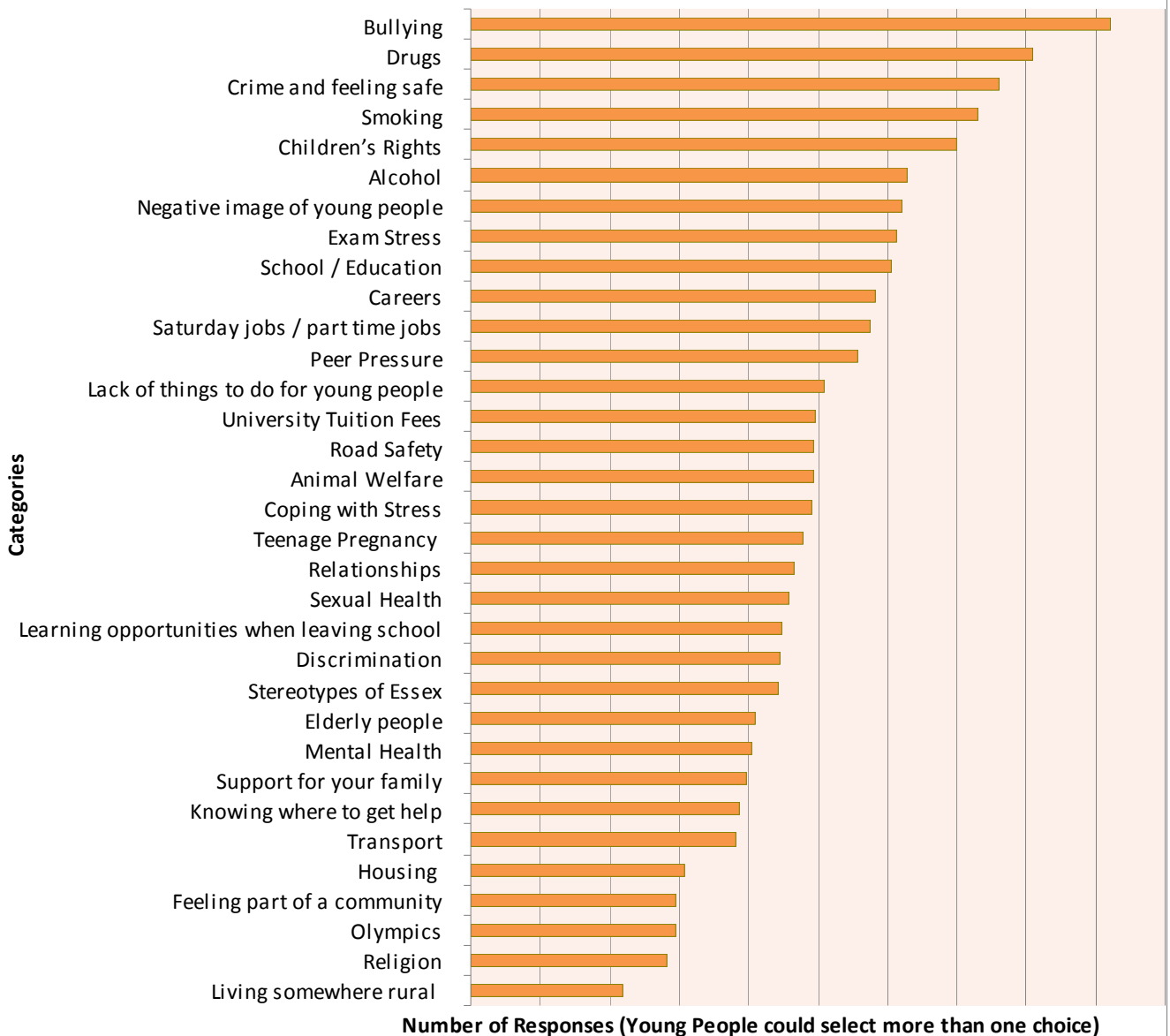
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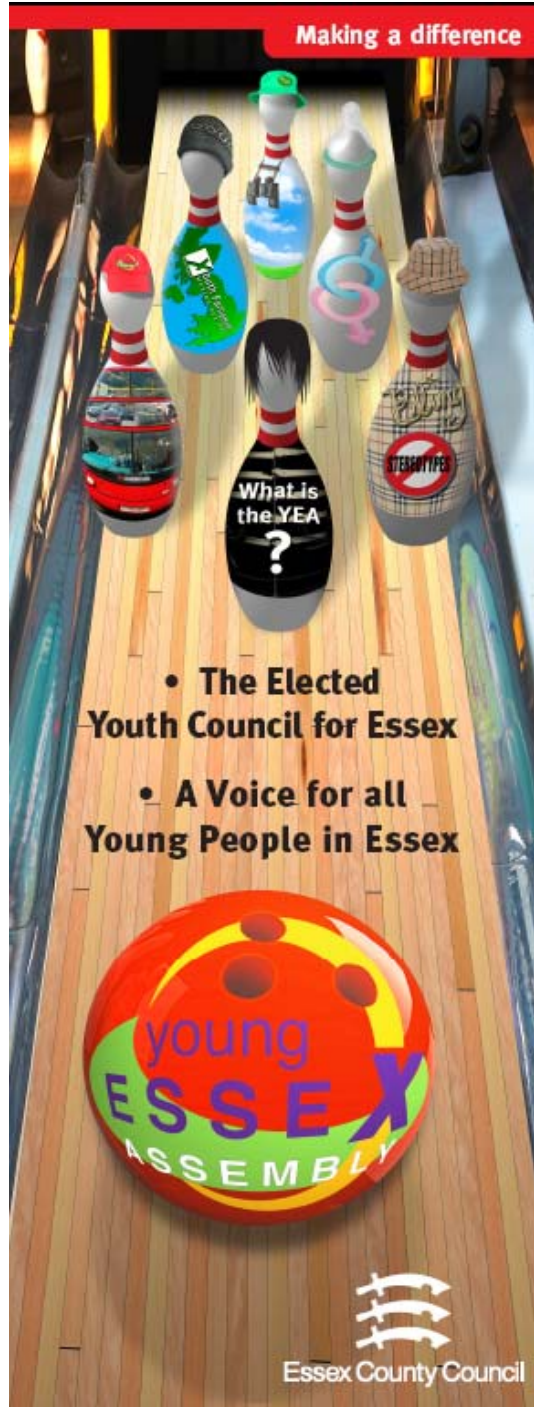


Issues of Importance to Young People in Tendring Results of Young Essex Assembly Ballot Paper Survey 2010



Issues of Importance to Young People in West Essex Results of Young Essex Assembly Ballot Paper Survey 2010





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