



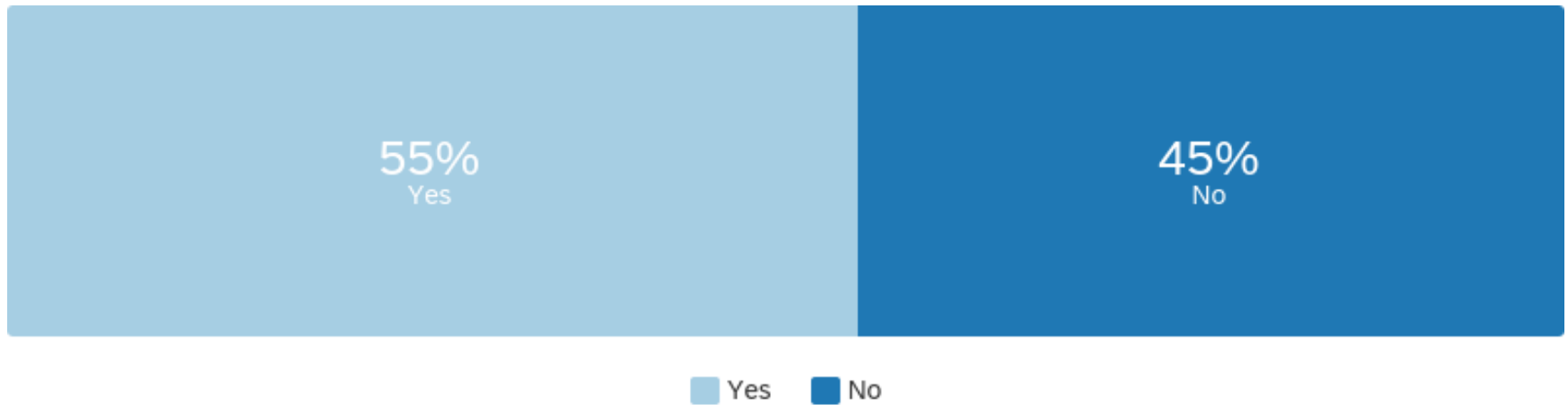
Baby Head Measurement Survey

Measuring babies' heads can help identify hydrocephalus.

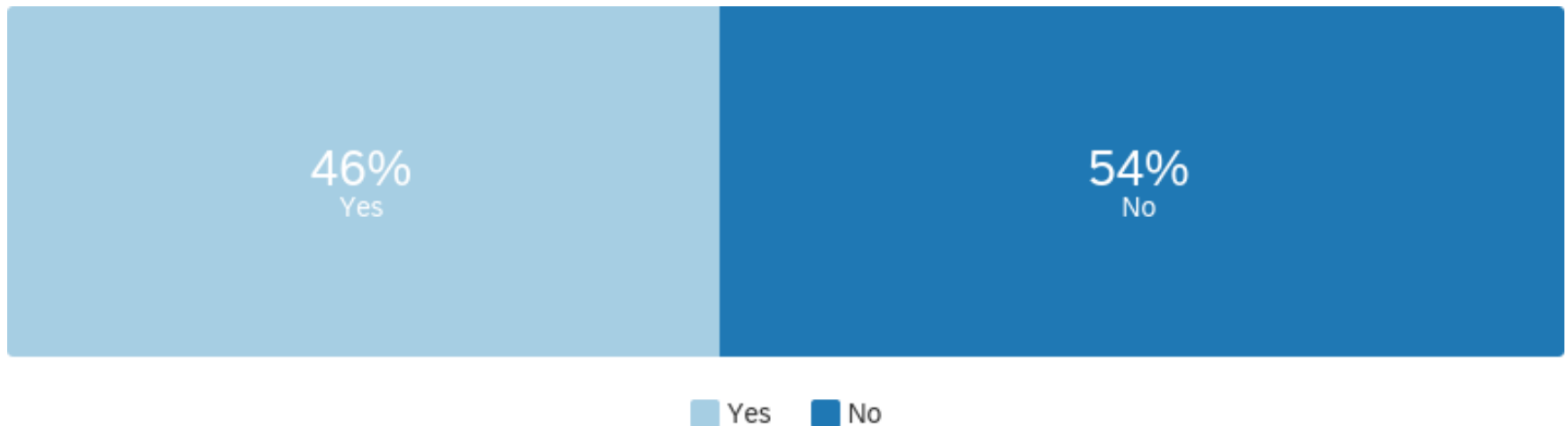
HHAT asked new parents/carers about their experiences at their babies' development health checks and what they know about head measurements and hydrocephalus.

We received 750 response to an online survey shared by the new parent group, Bounty, and this is what parents of babies 0-12 months old told us.

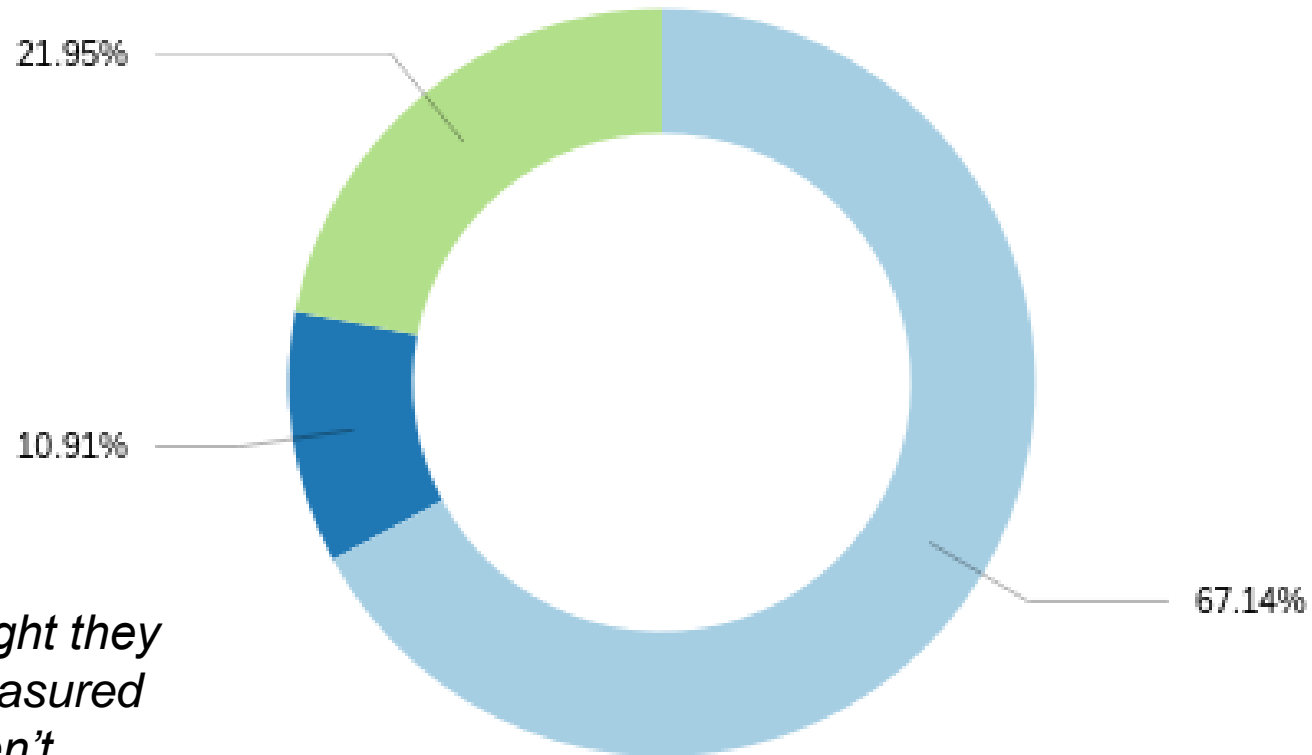
Do you know that your baby's head should be measured at birth?



Do you know that your baby's head should be measured at their 6/8-week-old health check?



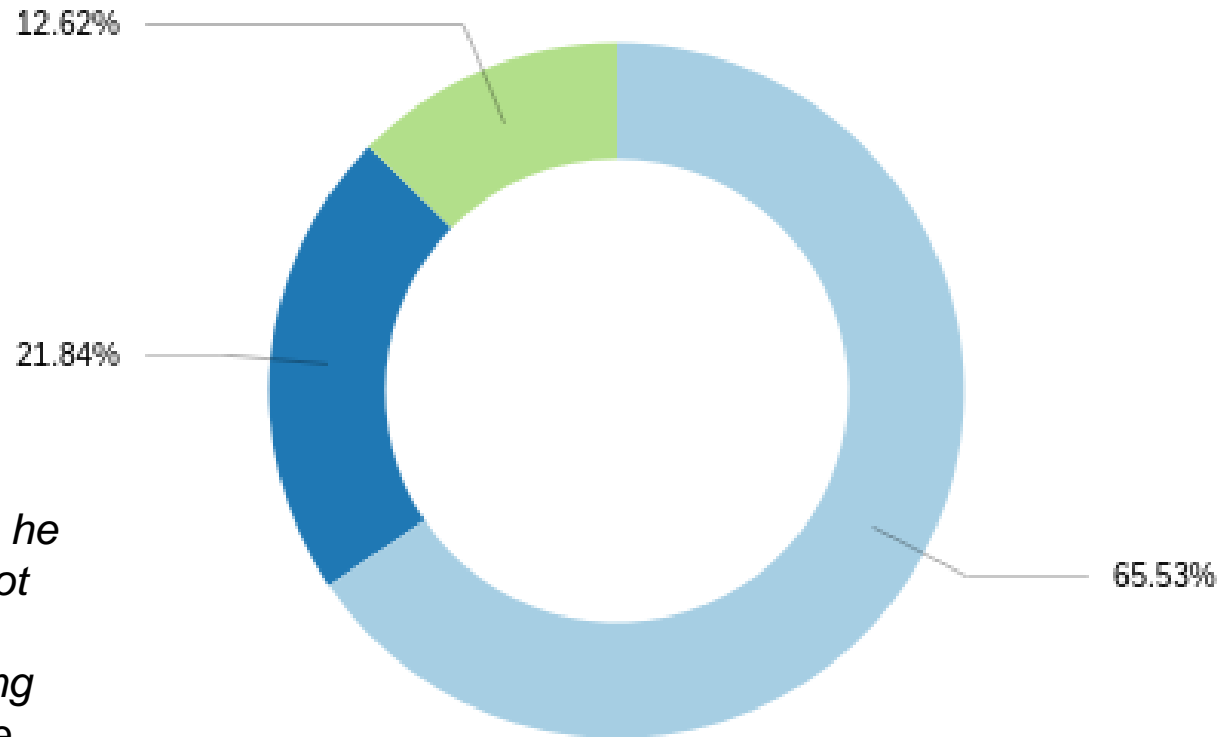
Was your baby's head measured at birth?



"Always thought they had to be measured but they haven't measured her head."

Yes No Not sure

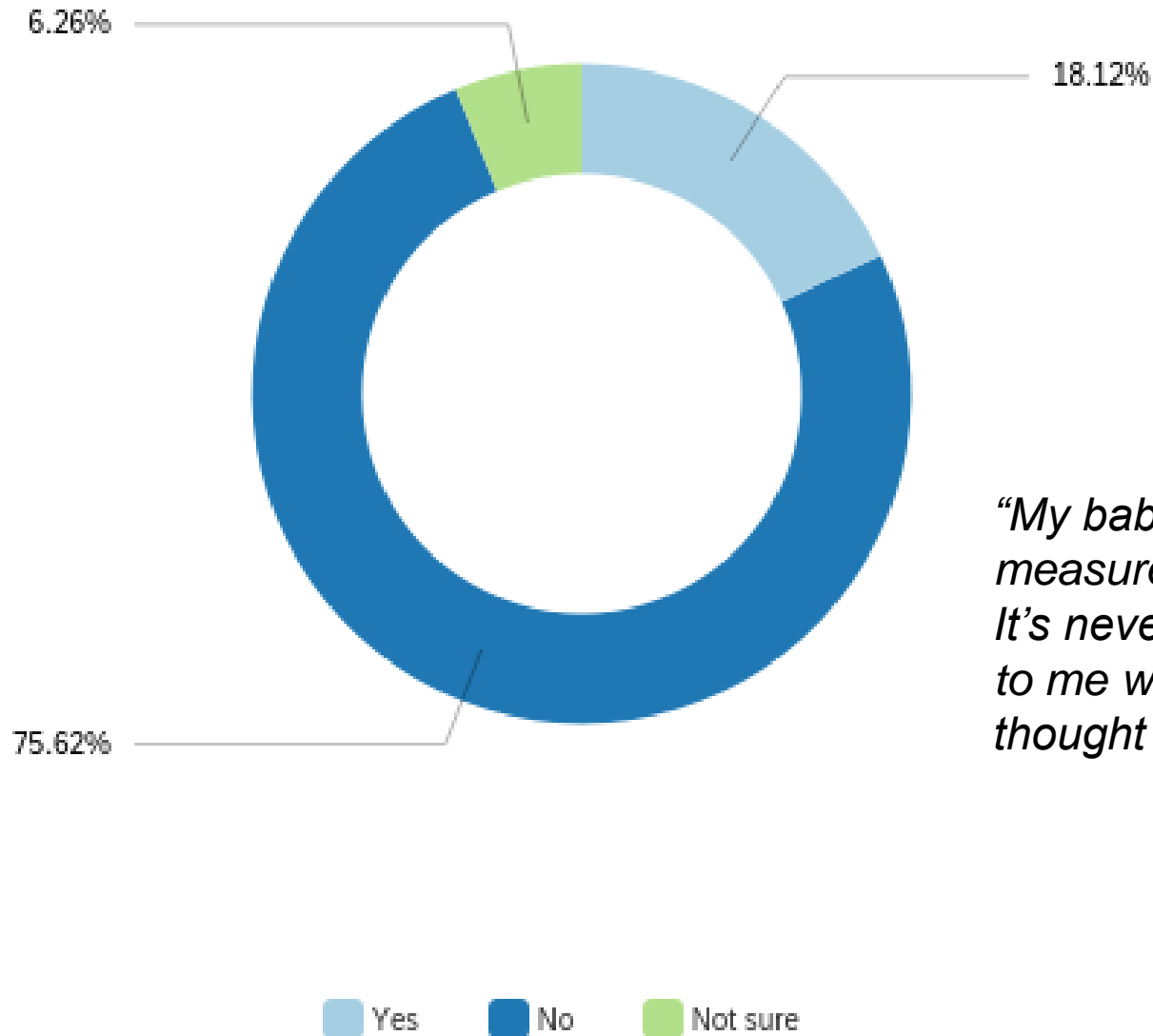
Was your baby's head measured at their 6/8-week-old health check?



"My baby hasn't been seen by anyone since he was 2 weeks old so not measured since then. They left the measuring tape with us so we are doing our best to do it ourselves."

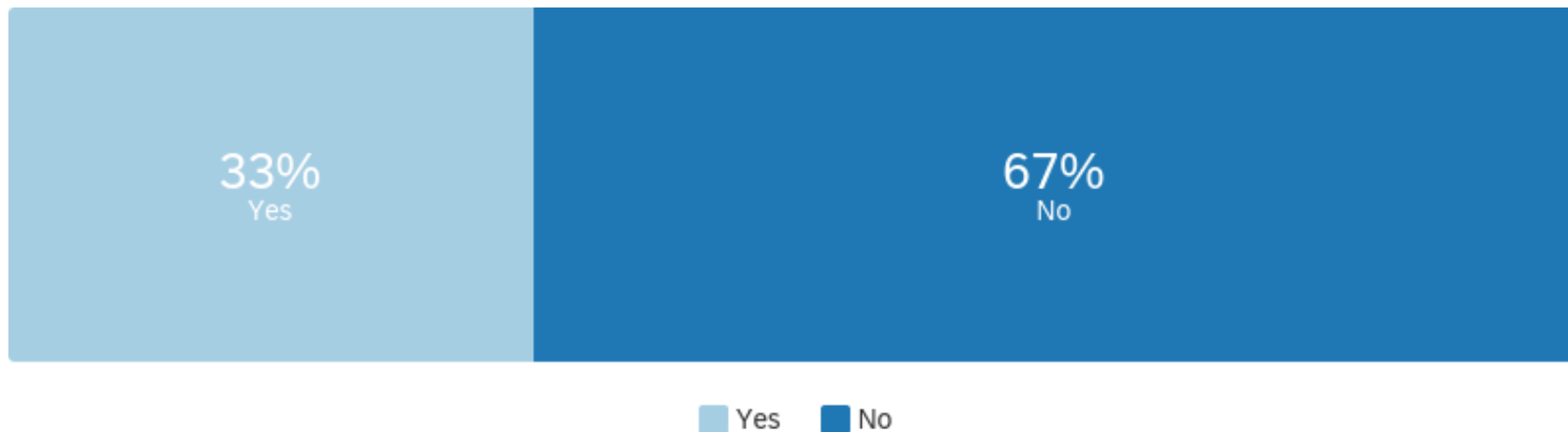
Yes No Not sure

Were you told why your baby's head was being measured?

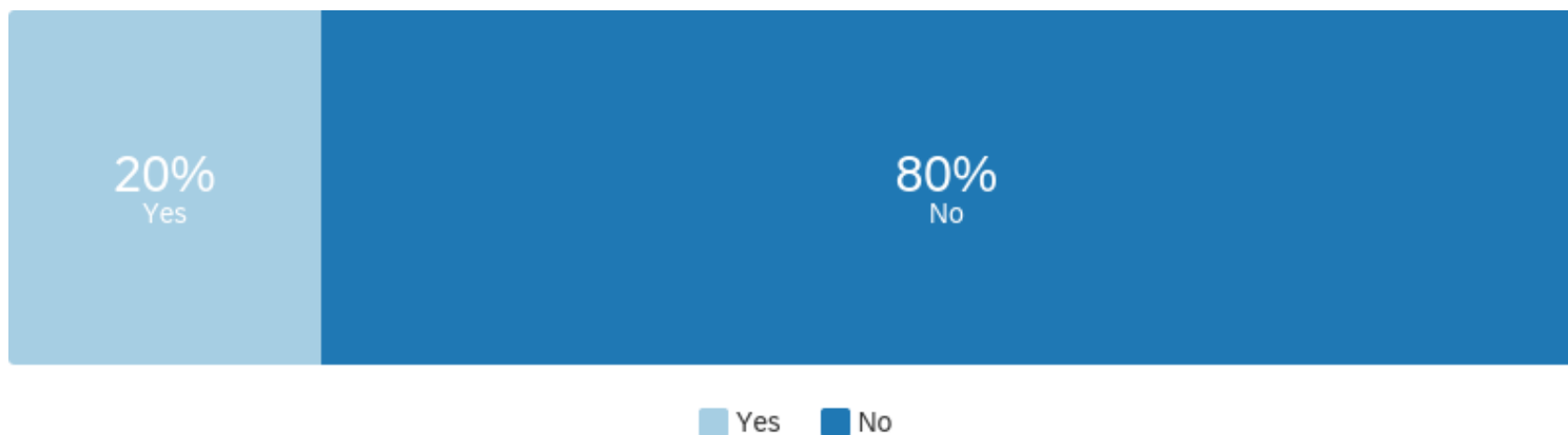


"My baby's head was measured at her 6month. It's never been explained to me why and I never thought to query it."

Have you heard of hydrocephalus?

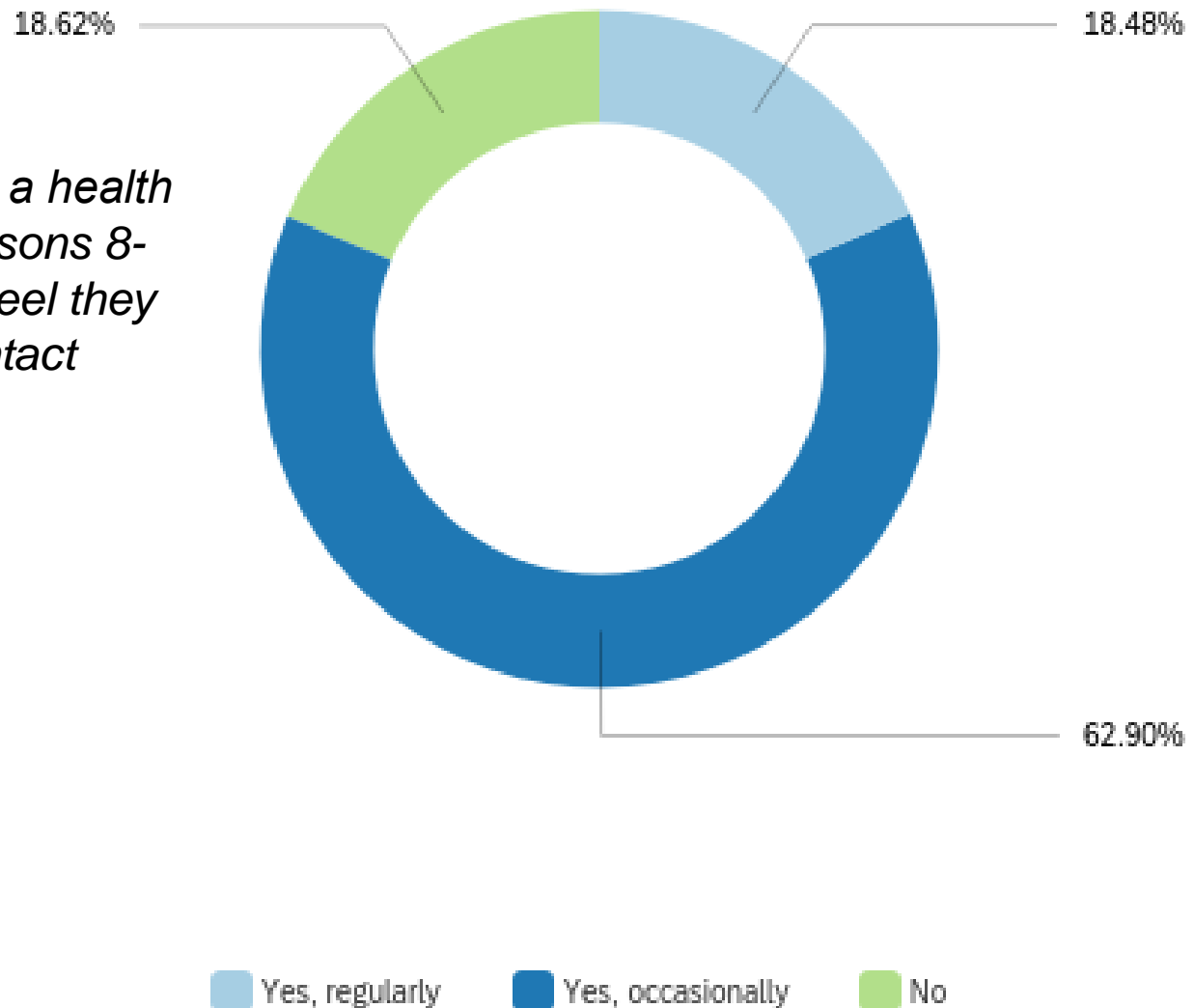


Do you know that measuring a baby's head can help identify hydrocephalus?

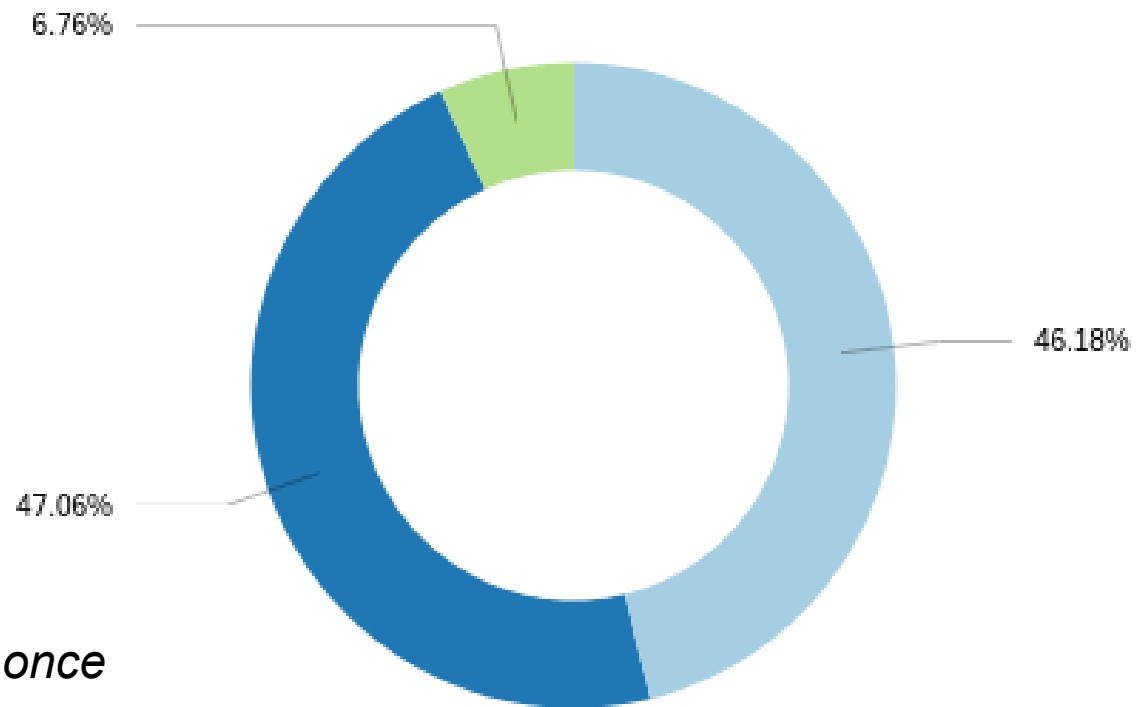


Do you see your health visitor in person?

"I have not seen a health visitor since my sons 8-week checks. I feel they should be in contact more."



Does your health visitor measure your baby's head?



“Only measured head once at birth, I have done it once myself but was unaware of the importance re identifying hydrocephalus risk.”

Yes No Not sure

Would you support an initiative encouraging health professionals to measure baby's heads until their first birthday?

