

# **2018 NATIONAL TRAINEE SURVEY RESULTS**

**GERIATRIC MEDICINE**

**SPECIALTY SPECIFIC QUESTIONS**

**OCTOBER 2018**

## Introduction

The Specialty Specific Questions have been developed to test trainee's access to, participation in or confidence in the attainment of specific aspects of the specialty training curriculum.

The questions have been included Programme Specific Questions in the annual GMC National Trainee Survey. The details of these questions and the trainee responses (nationally, by Deanery/LETB and by grade can be found within this report.

618 Geriatric Medicine trainees (101 ST3s, 100 ST4s, 115 ST5s, 88 ST6s and 78 ST7s) completed the survey. This was a decline of 4.8% (31 trainees) on the number of trainees completing the 2018 survey. The numbers of trainees in each Deanery completing the survey were as follows:

Deanery / LETB	2017	2018	% Difference
Health Education East Midlands	37	37	+ 0%
Health Education East of England	44	31	-30%
Health Education Kent, Surrey and Sussex	39	39	+ 0%
Health Education London (N,C & E)	35	41	+17%
Health Education London (NW)	30	35	+17%
Health Education London (S)	41	35	-15%
Health Education North East	32	28	-13%
Health Education North West	76	66	-13%
Health Education Severn	26	29	+12%
Health Education SW Peninsula	16	15	- 6%
Health Education Thames Valley	24	23	- 4%
Health Education Wessex	27	28	+ 4%
Health Education West Midlands	47	48	+ 2%
Health Education Yorkshire and the Humber	53	51	- 4%
NHS Education for Scotland	65	61	- 6%
Northern Ireland Medical & Dental Training Agency	15	17	+13%
Wales Deanery	42	34	-19%
<b>Total</b>	<b>649</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>- 5%</b>

	Reduction of >10% of trainees completing the NTS in 2018 compared to 2017
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## Specialty Specific Questions

Overall, agreement decreased in five of the five Geriatric Medicine specialty specific questions compared with 2017, however there were significant regional differences. The questions have been ranked highest to lowest percentage of trainees agreeing overall in the summary below.

Specialty Specific Questions	% satisfactory responses		2017/2018 Difference	Agreement Highest in 2018		Agreement Lowest in 2018		% difference [Range]
1) Please indicate any training areas that you <b>do not feel confident</b> you will attain during your training programme (select all that apply) <b>(ST3 – ST7)</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>						
<b>None, I am confident of attaining all areas</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>57%</b>	- 1%	SW Peninsula, WMD	73%	London (NW)	37%	36 [37-73]
Old age psychiatry	19%	22%	+ 3%	London (South)	46%	Scot, Y & H	3%	43 [3-46]
Continence	18%	20%	+ 2%	Severn	34%	West Midlands	6%	28 [6-34]
Community Geriatrics	17%	18%	+ 1%	Severn	34%	Thames Valley	0%	34 [0-34]
Tissue viability	16%	16%	+ 0%	Kent, Surrey & Sussex	26%	West Midlands	4%	22 [4-26]
Movement disorder	10%	13%	+ 3%	London (NW)	29%	Severn	0%	29 [0-29]
Palliative Care	6%	7%	+ 1%	North East	21%	Severn	0%	21 [0-21]
Rehabilitation	8%	7%	- 1%	LDN (NW), Severn	14%	SW Peninsula	0%	14 [0-14]
Orthogeriatrics	6%	6%	+ 0%	LDN (N, C & E), Wales	12%	LDN (NW), THV, Wessex	0%	12 [0-12]
Stroke	5%	5%	+ 0%	EoE, LDN (N,C&E), Y&H	10%	KSS, THV	0%	10 [0-10]
Comprehensive Geriatric Assessment	3%	3%	+ 0%	Wales	9%	LDN(S), NE, SEV, THV, WES	0%	9 [0-9]
Falls	2%	3%	+ 1%	Wales	9%	6/17 regions	0%	9 [0-9]
Planning transfers of care	4%	3%	- 1%	East of England	10%	5/17 regions	0%	10 [0-10]
Poor mobility	2%	2%	+ 0%	SW Peninsula	7%	6/17 regions	0%	7 [0-7]
2) How frequently are you able to attend dedicated subspecialty sessions (e.g. palliative care, community)? <b>(ST3 – ST7)</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>						
Always	7%	10%	+ 3%	Scotland	30%	NI, Severn	0%	30 [0-30]
<b>Most of the time</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>46%</b>	- 9%	Wessex	64%	London (S)	0%	64 [0-64]
Rarely	31%	41%	+10%	London (S)	66%	SW Peninsula	20%	46 [20-66]
Never	6%	3%	- 3%	London (S)	9%	7/17 regions	0%	9 [0-9]

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3) How would you describe the ratio of G(I)M to Geriatric Medicine in your current rotation? (ST3 – ST7) Too much G(I)M <b>About right</b> Too little G(I)M	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>						14 [0-14] 56 [38-94] 56 [6-62]
	27%	32%	+ 5%	Wessex	14%	7/17 regions	0%	
	<b>68%</b>	<b>64%</b>	- 4%	Northern Ireland	94%	East Midlands	38%	
	4%	4%	+ 0%	East Midlands	62%	Northern Ireland	6%	
4) Do you think that the amount of G(I)M in your current rotation adversely affects your Geriatric Medicine training? (ST3 – ST7) Yes <b>No</b> Don't know	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>						
	25%	28%	+ 3%	East Midlands	57%	Thames Valley	4%	53 [4-57]
	<b>67%</b>	<b>63%</b>	- 4%	Northern Ireland	94%	East Midlands	32%	62 [32-94]
	8%	9%	+ 1%	Thames Valley	26%	NI, SW Peninsula	0%	26 [0-26]
5) If you have applied for Out Of Programme (OOP) time from your Geriatric Medicine training, what was the outcome of your application? (ST3 – ST7) <b>N/A (I have not applied for OOP time)</b>  <b>Of the trainees who had applied:</b> <b>Granted</b> Declined Deferred	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>						
	<b>84%</b>	<b>82%</b>	- 2%	Northern Ireland	94%	Severn	59%	35 [59-94]
	<b>95%</b>	<b>96%</b>	+ 1%	13/17 regions	100%	SW Peninsula	33%	67 [33-100]
	2%	3%	+ 1%	SW Peninsula	33%	13/17 regions	0%	33 [0-33]
	3%	2%	- 1%	SW Peninsula	33%	15/17 regions	0%	33 [0-33]
6) If you have taken OOP time to undertake research or intend to in the future, which of the following best describes the <b>main focus</b> of this? (ST3 – ST7) N/A (have not taken nor intend to take time out for research)	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>						
	<b>82%</b>	<b>81%</b>	- 1%	North West	94%	Severn	59%	35 [59-94]

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6a) If you have taken OOP time to undertake research or intend to in the future, which of the following best describes the <b>main focus</b> of this? (ST3 – ST7) <b>Of the trainees who had applied:</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>						
Laboratory or patient based research	30%	21%	- 9%	NI, THV	100%	SW Peninsula, Y & H	0%	100 [0-100]
Medical management training/experience	<b>34%</b>	<b>31%</b>	- 3%	SW Peninsula	100%	6/17 regions	0%	100 [0-100]
Medical education training/diploma	18%	24%	+ 6%	North East	67%	5/17 regions	0%	67 [0-67]
Other	18%	24%	+ 6%	West Midlands	60%	6/17 regions	0%	60 [0-67]
7) In your ordinary working week are you able to find sufficient time for supporting professional activities such as audit or Quality Improvement? (ST3 – ST7) Yes	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>		SW Peninsula	80%	London (S)	29%	51% [29-80]
				Wessex	71%	London (N,C&E)	34%	
				Thames Valley	70%	East Midlands	38%	
				North West	65%	Northern Ireland	47%	
				Scotland	61%	London (NW)	49%	
				Wales	59%	North East	50%	
8) Within the last year, <b>how many non-clinical management or organisational meetings</b> (e.g. about service development with commissioners, trust managers or boards etc) have you attended? (ST3 – ST7)	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>						
0	<b>31%</b>	<b>34%</b>	+3%	Northern Ireland	53%	Severn	10%	43 [10-53]
1	20%	23%	+3%	Thames Valley	43%	SW Peninsula	7%	36 [7-43]
2	18%	17%	-1%	Severn	34%	West Midlands	6%	28 [6-34]
3	10%	8%	-2%	SW Peninsula	20%	London (N, C & E)	2%	18 [2-20]
4	5%	5%	+0%	SW Peninsula	13%	Kent, Surrey & Sussex	0%	13 [0-13]
More than 4	17%	14%	-3%	Scotland	34%	LDN (NW), NI	6%	28 [6-34]
9) Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with your training in Geriatric Medicine? <b>Very satisfied/satisfied</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>		SEV, SW Peninsula	100%	London (N, C & E)	61%	39% [61-100]
			-2%	EOE, THV	91%	East Midlands	65%	
				NI, Wessex	89%	North East	75%	
				North West	88%	London (S)	78%	

Deaneries / LETBs are listed alphabetically by quartile in the table below with 'quartile four' containing the highest ranked and 'quartile one' the lowest where possible answers were: confident of attaining all competencies, About right, Yes or Very satisfied/satisfied to the question.

Quartile	Deanery / LETB	Year	N=	1	3	4	7	9
4	Northern Ireland Medical and Dental Training Agency	2017	15	53	93	73	60	86
4		2018	17	59	94	94	47	89
4	Health Education South West Peninsula	2017	16	69	69	69	75	100
4		2018	15	73	40	53	80	100
4	Health Education Thames Valley	2017	24	71	71	83	63	100
4		2018	23	70	74	70	70	91
4	Wales Deanery	2017	42	71	81	81	64	85
4		2018	34	62	76	68	59	85
3	Health Education Wessex	2017	27	56	67	85	70	93
4		2018	28	61	68	71	71	89
2	Health Education North West	2017	76	63	63	61	64	85
3		2018	66	65	58	61	65	88
2	NHS Education for Scotland	2017	65	63	68	65	48	86
3		2018	61	64	69	61	61	84
2	Health Education Severn	2017	26	38	77	77	58	84
3		2018	29	48	69	59	52	100
3	Health Education West Midlands	2017	47	64	72	74	70	83
3		2018	48	73	60	63	58	83
1	Health Education East of England	2017	34	56	59	53	47	80
2		2018	31	52	61	65	52	90
2	Health Education Kent, Surrey and Sussex	2017	43	58	74	60	60	84
2		2018	39	49	64	59	49	83
1	Health Education London (North West)	2017	32	41	66	66	66	81
2		2018	35	37	74	80	49	86
3	Health Education Yorkshire and Humber	2017	53	53	64	68	72	83
2		2018	51	51	63	69	51	80
1	Health Education East Midlands	2017	37	51	46	41	54	81
1		2018	37	65	38	32	38	65
1	Health Education London (North Central and East)	2017	41	56	68	73	44	61
1		2018	41	49	66	68	34	61
2	Health Education London (South)	2017	39	49	79	69	44	85
1		2018	35	40	74	57	29	78
3	Health Education North East	2017	32	59	63	63	75	97
1		2018	28	54	46	50	50	75
	0-50% overall agreement in 2018		51-75% overall agreement in 2018		76-100% overall agreement in 2018			

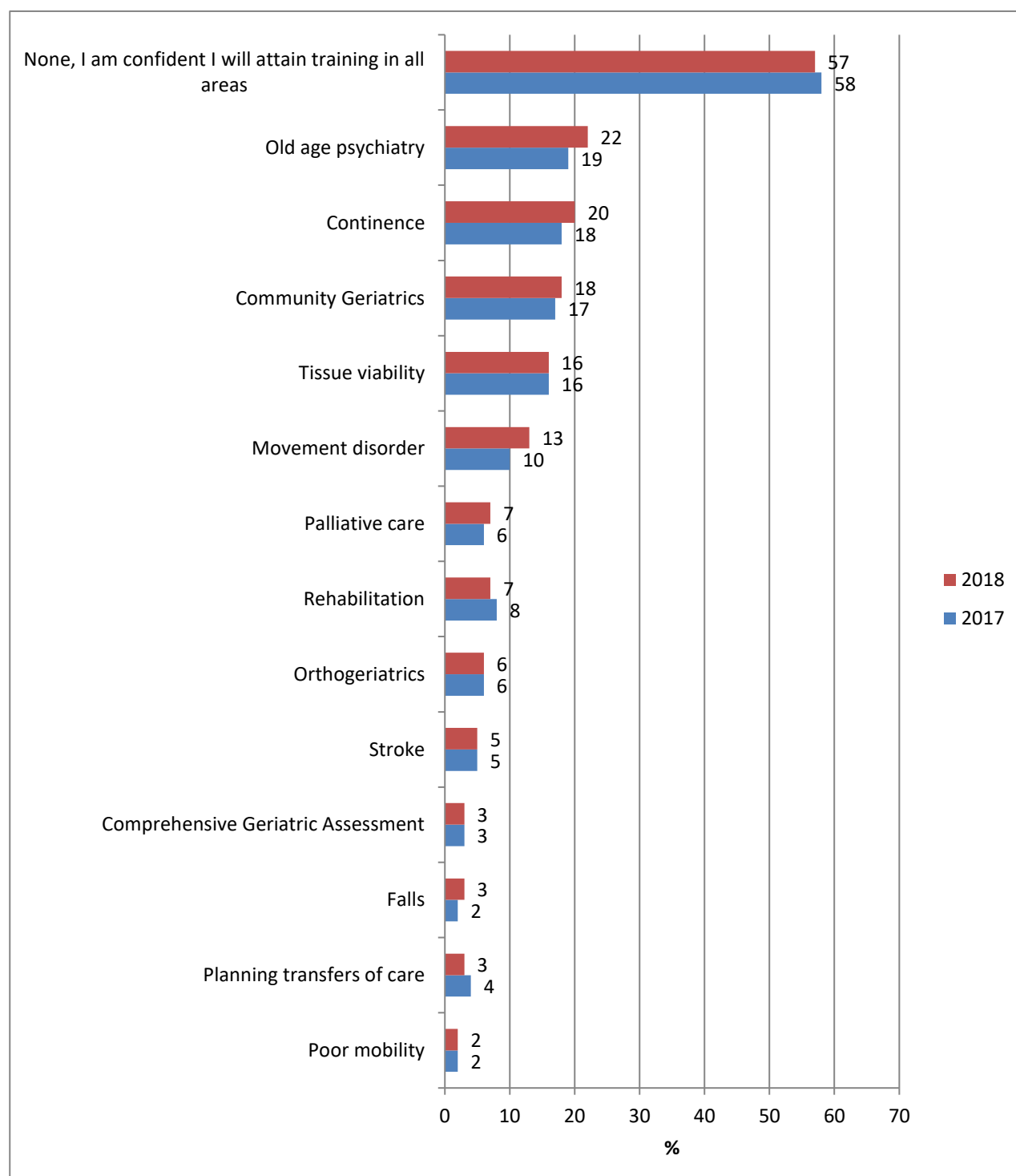
**1) The Geriatric Medicine curriculum is broad and challenging. Some areas are easier to gain training in than others.**

**Please indicate any training areas that you do not feel confident you will attain during your training programme (select all that apply)**

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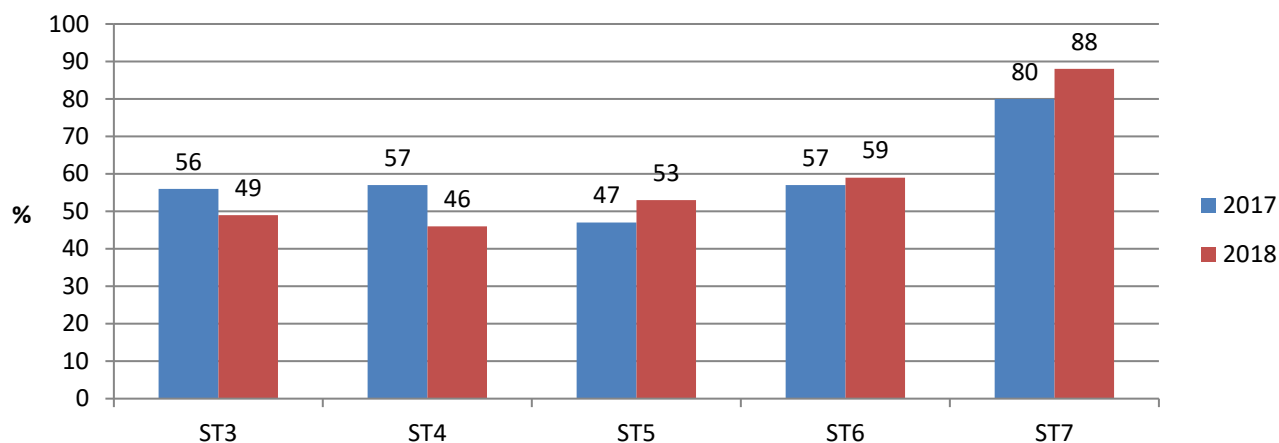
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**All**

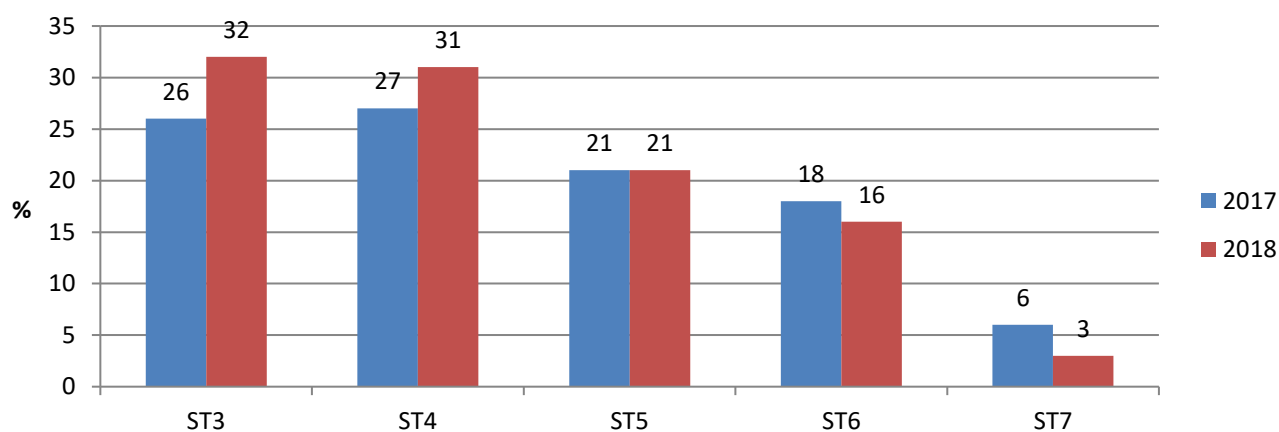


## Grade

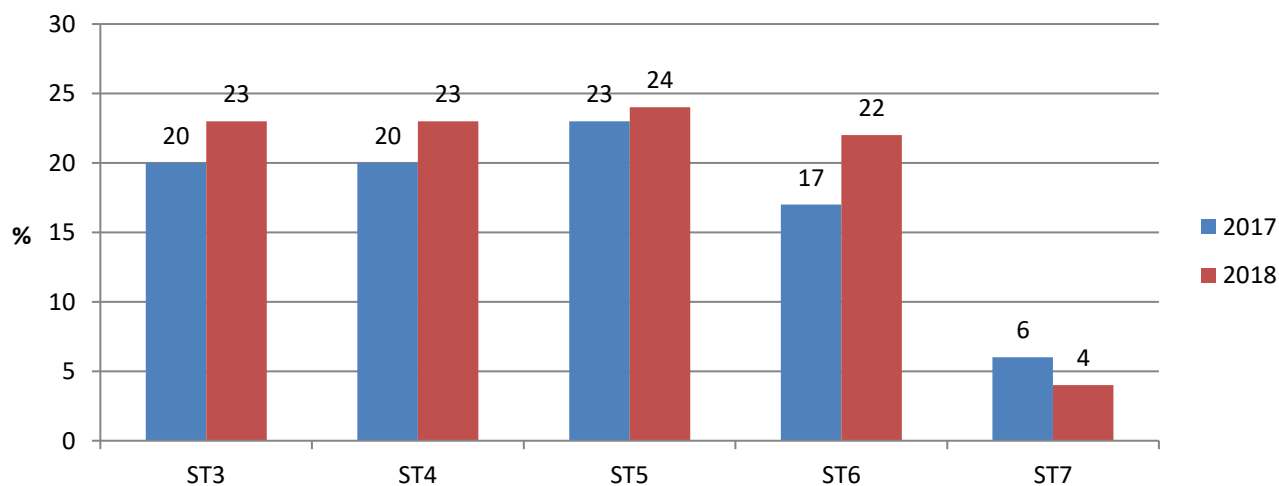
### None, I am confident I will attain training in all areas



### Old age psychiatry

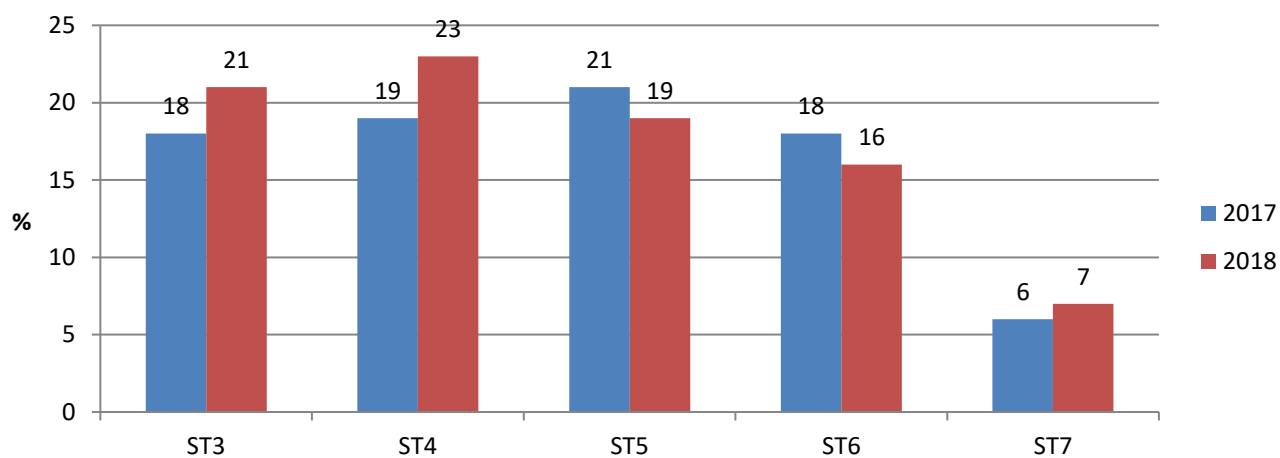


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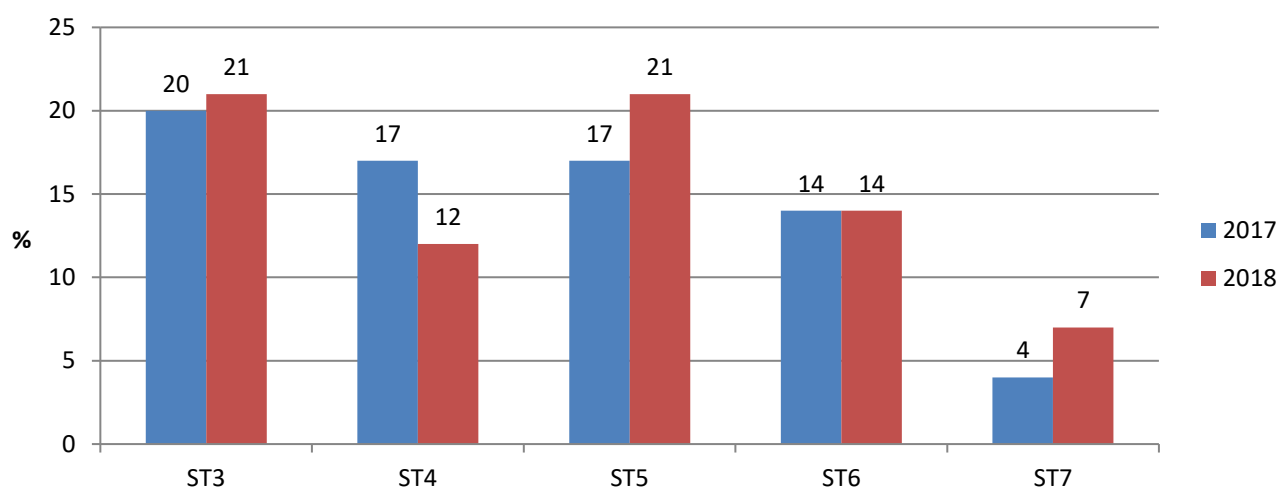




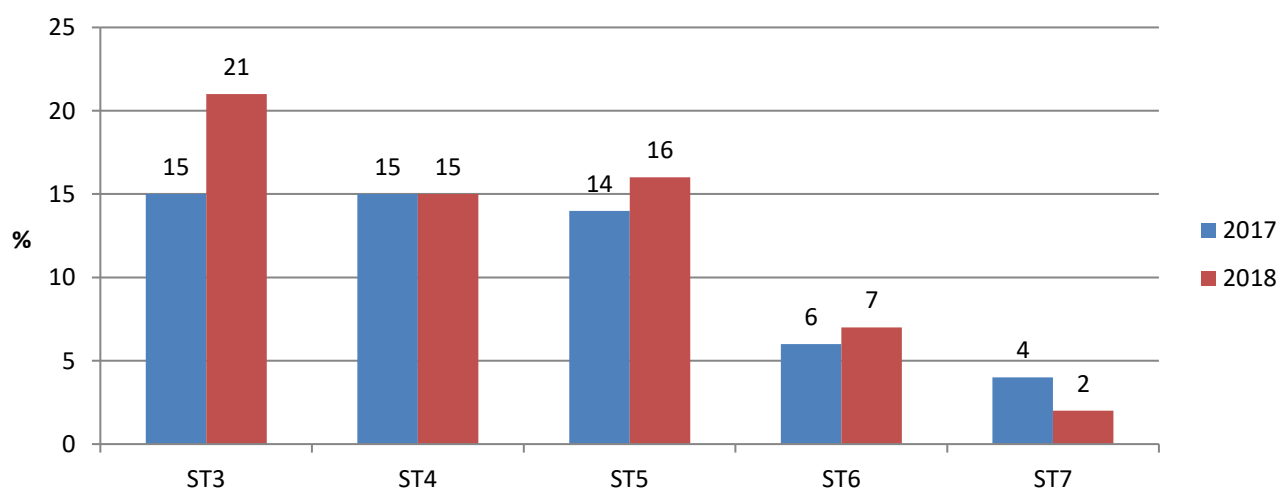
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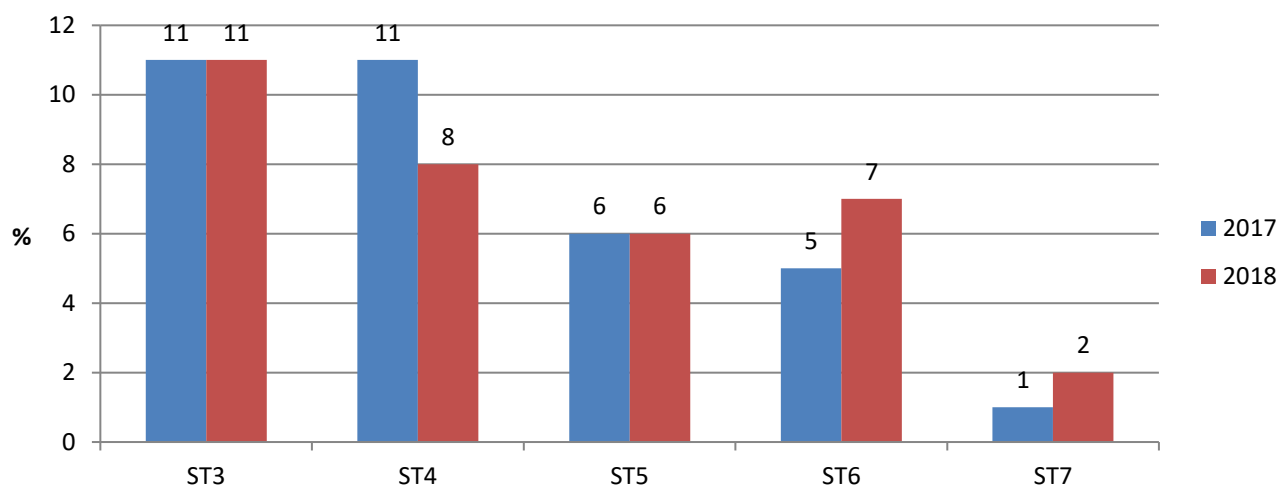
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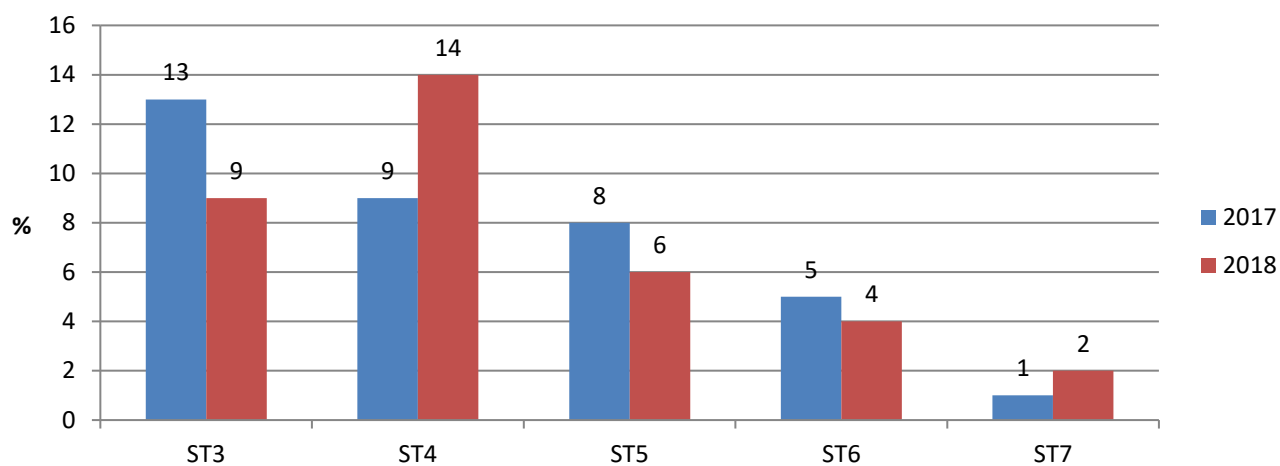
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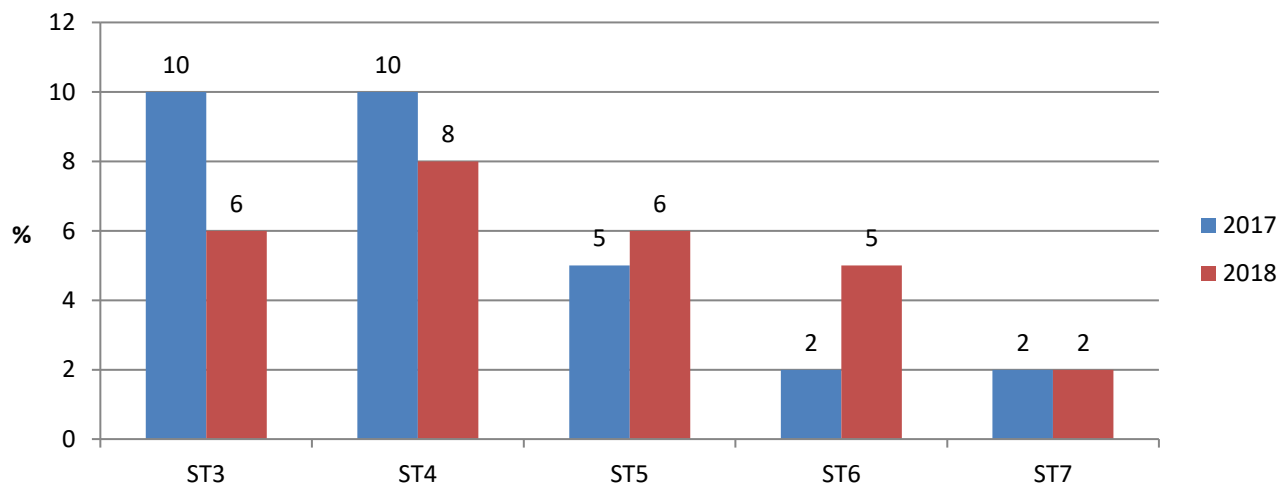
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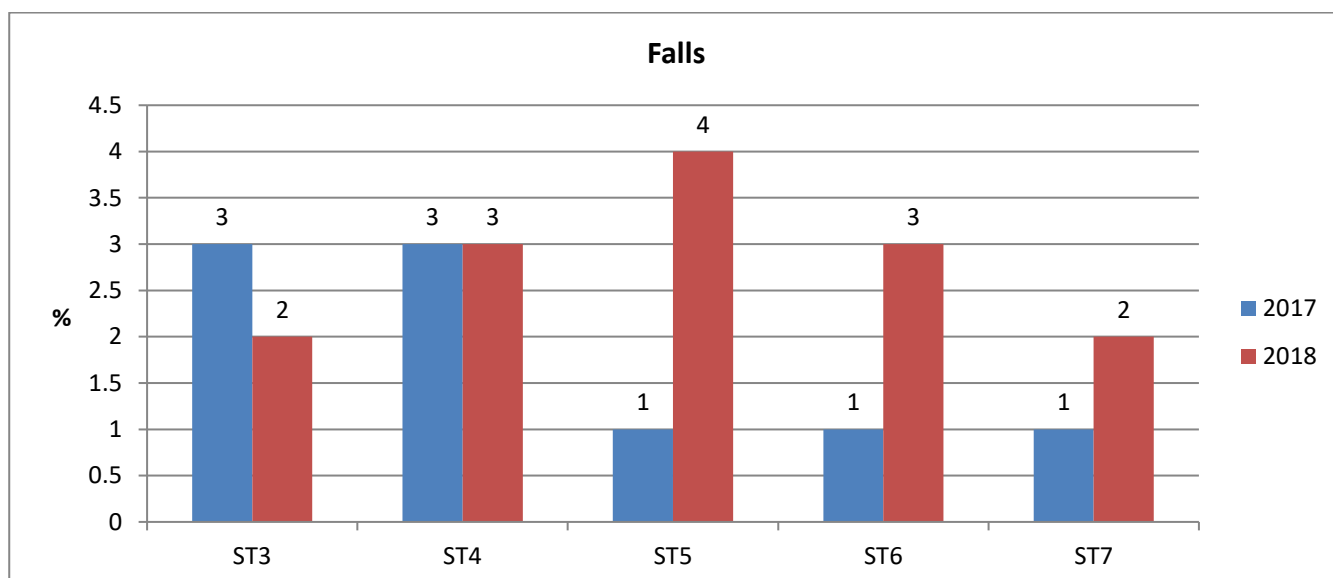
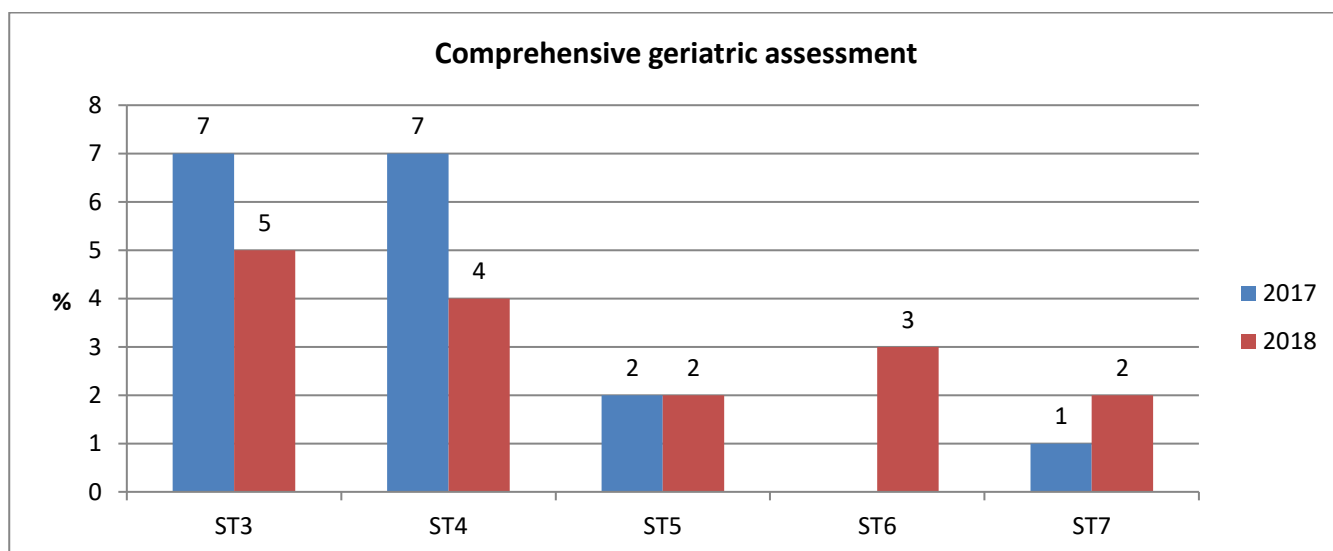
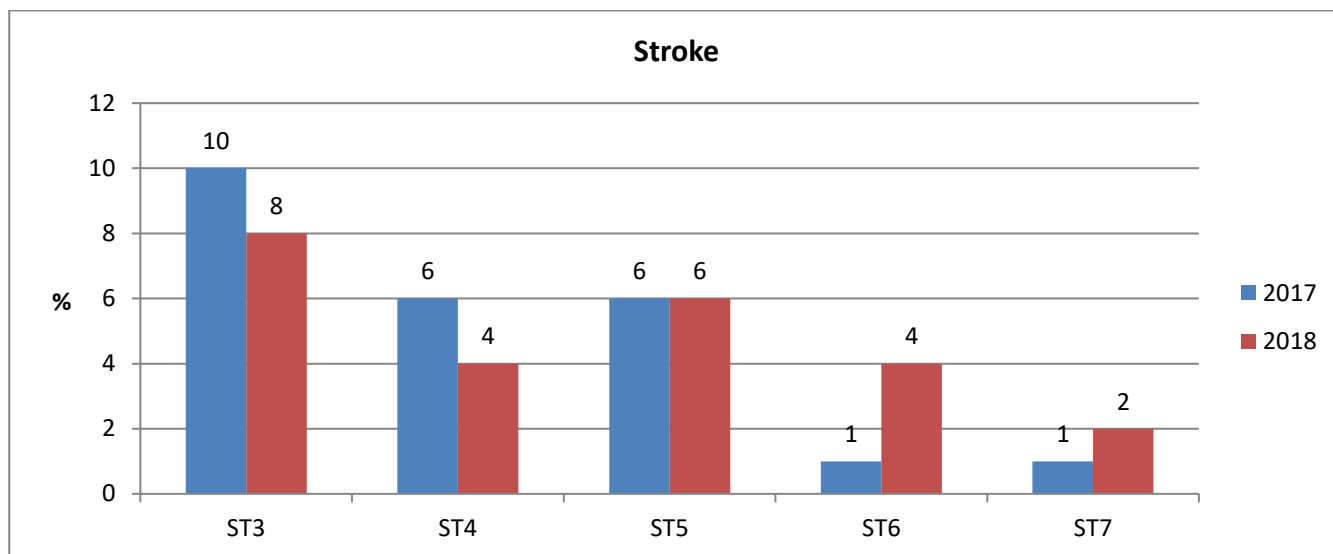


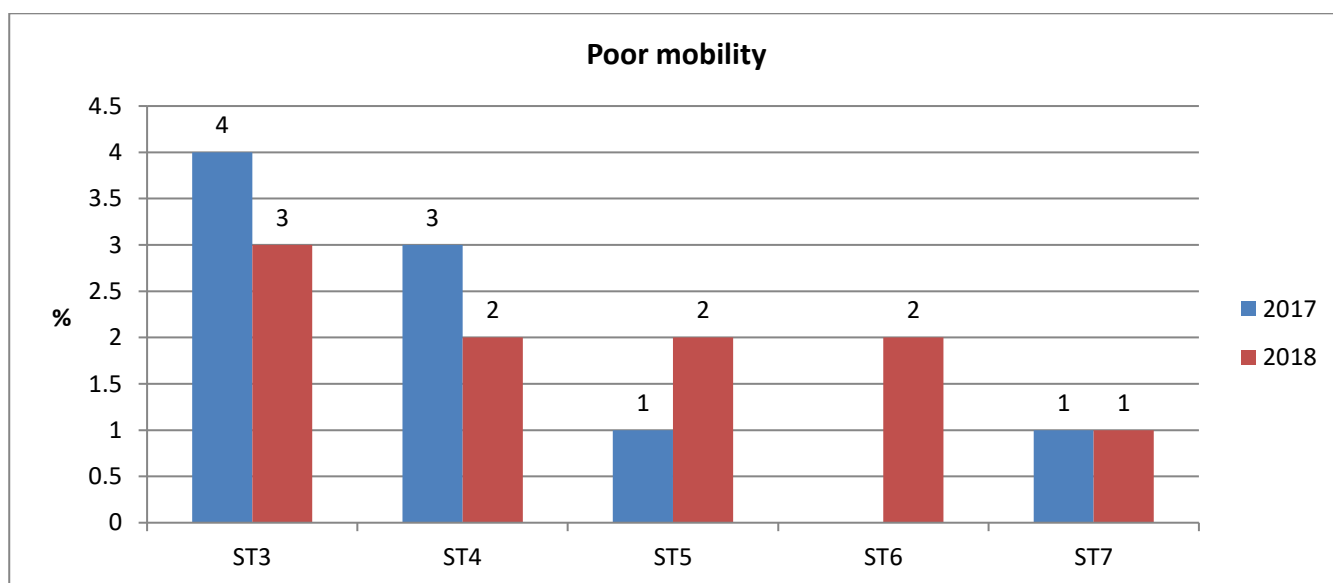
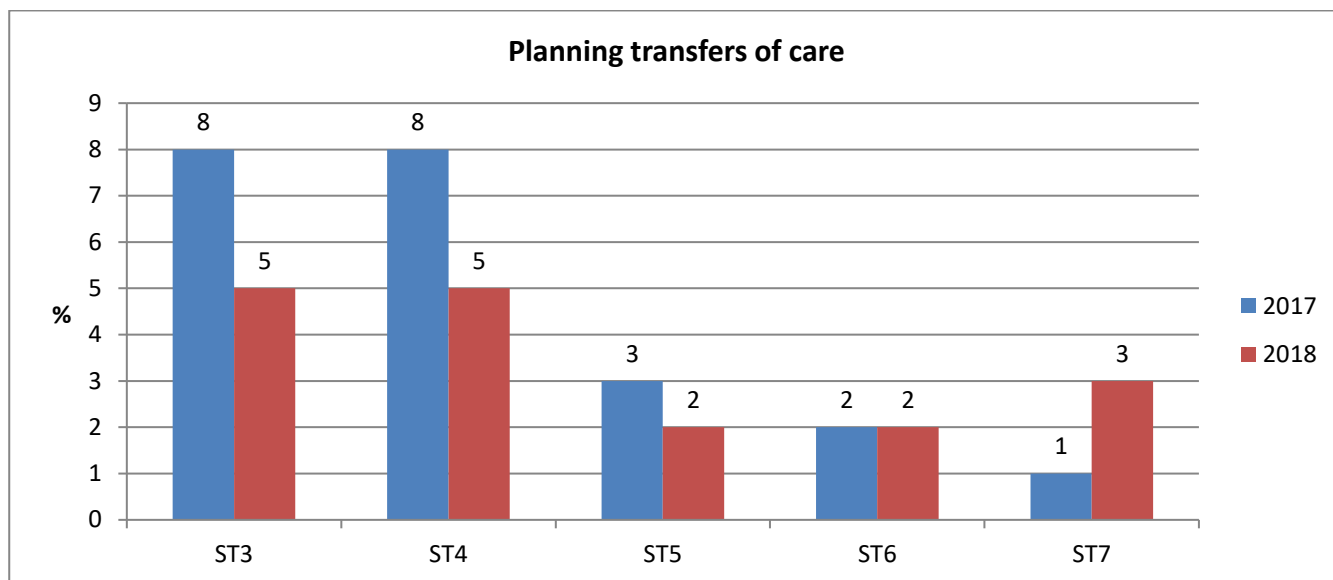
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## Orthogeriatrics

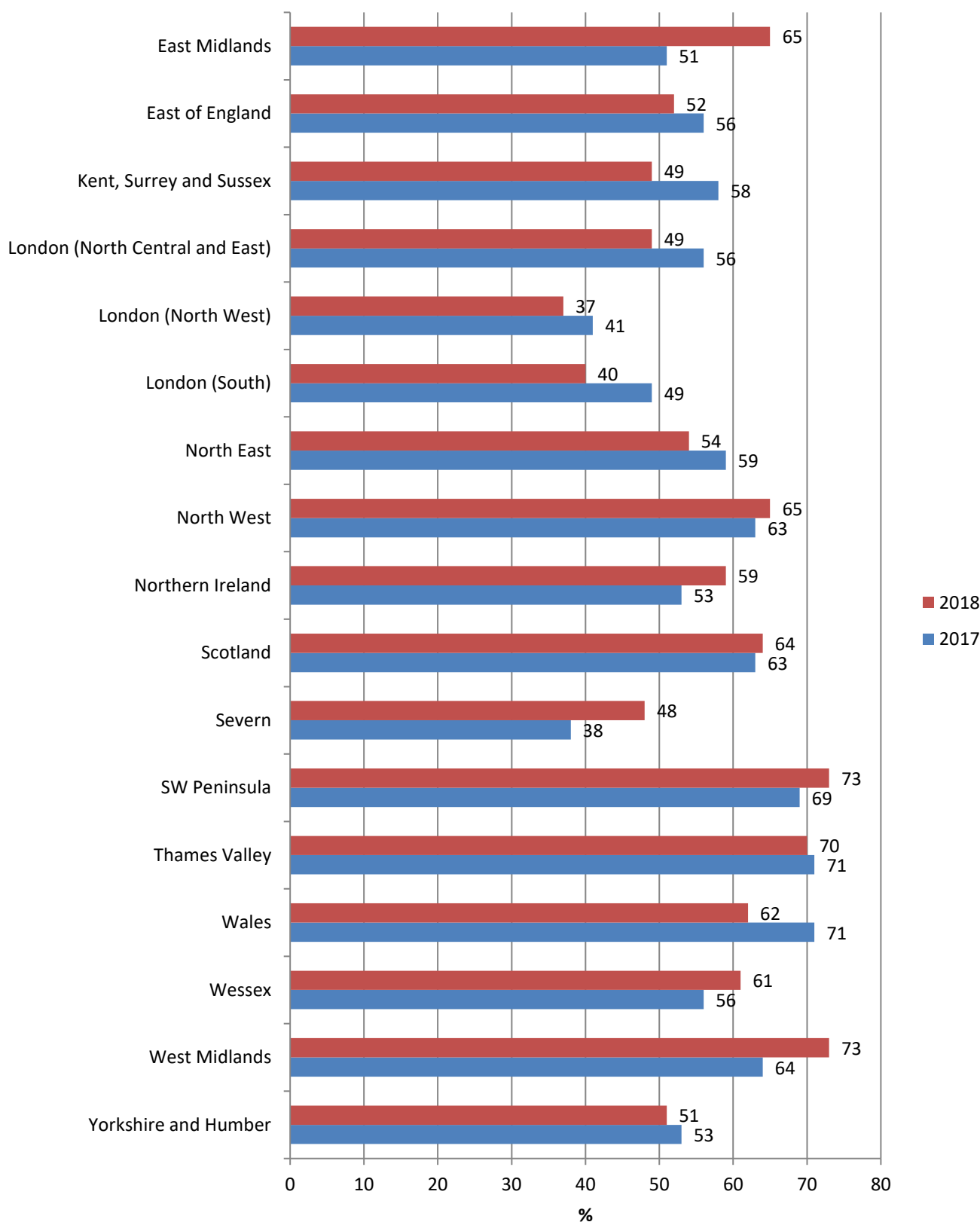




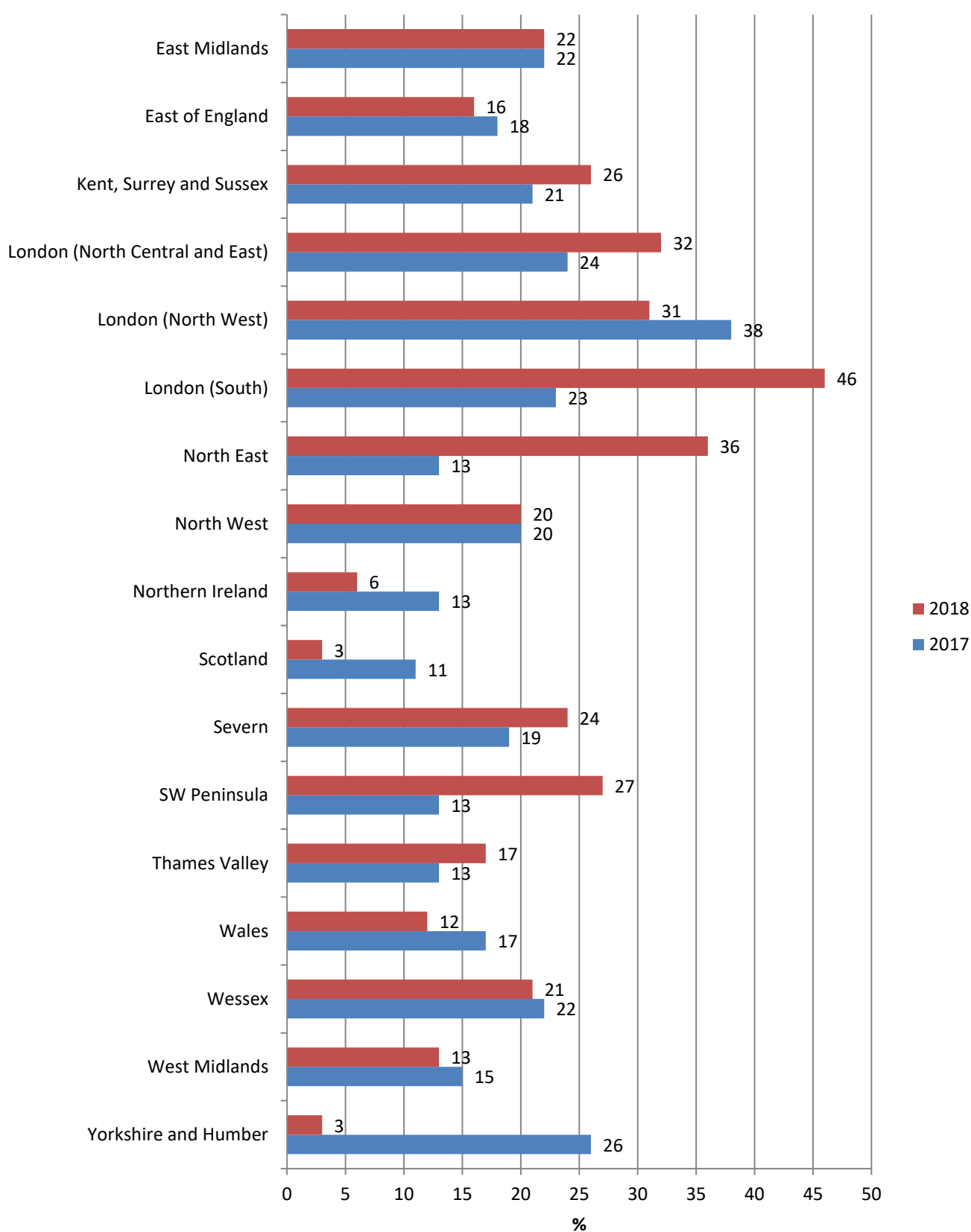


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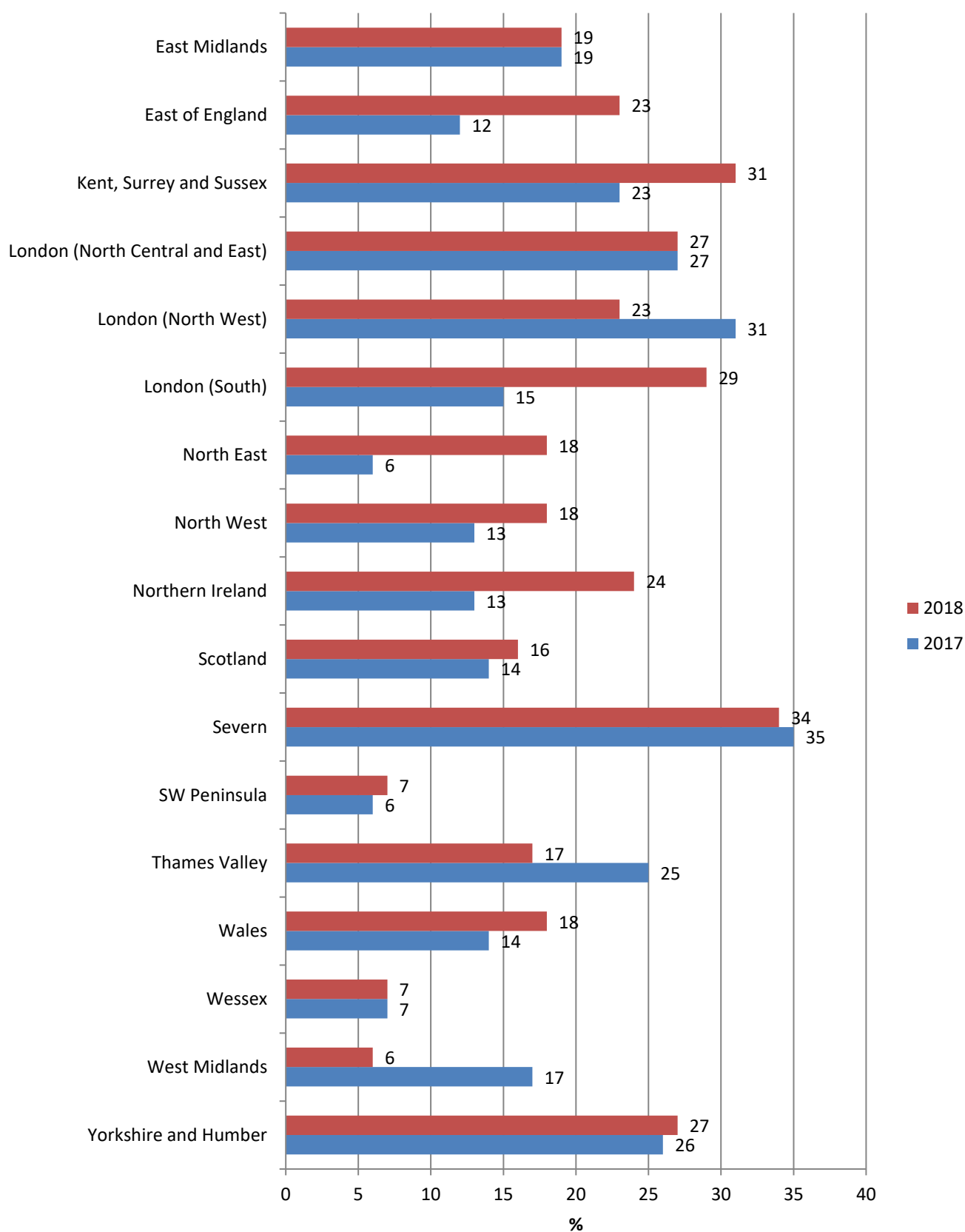
### None, I am confident I will attain training in all areas



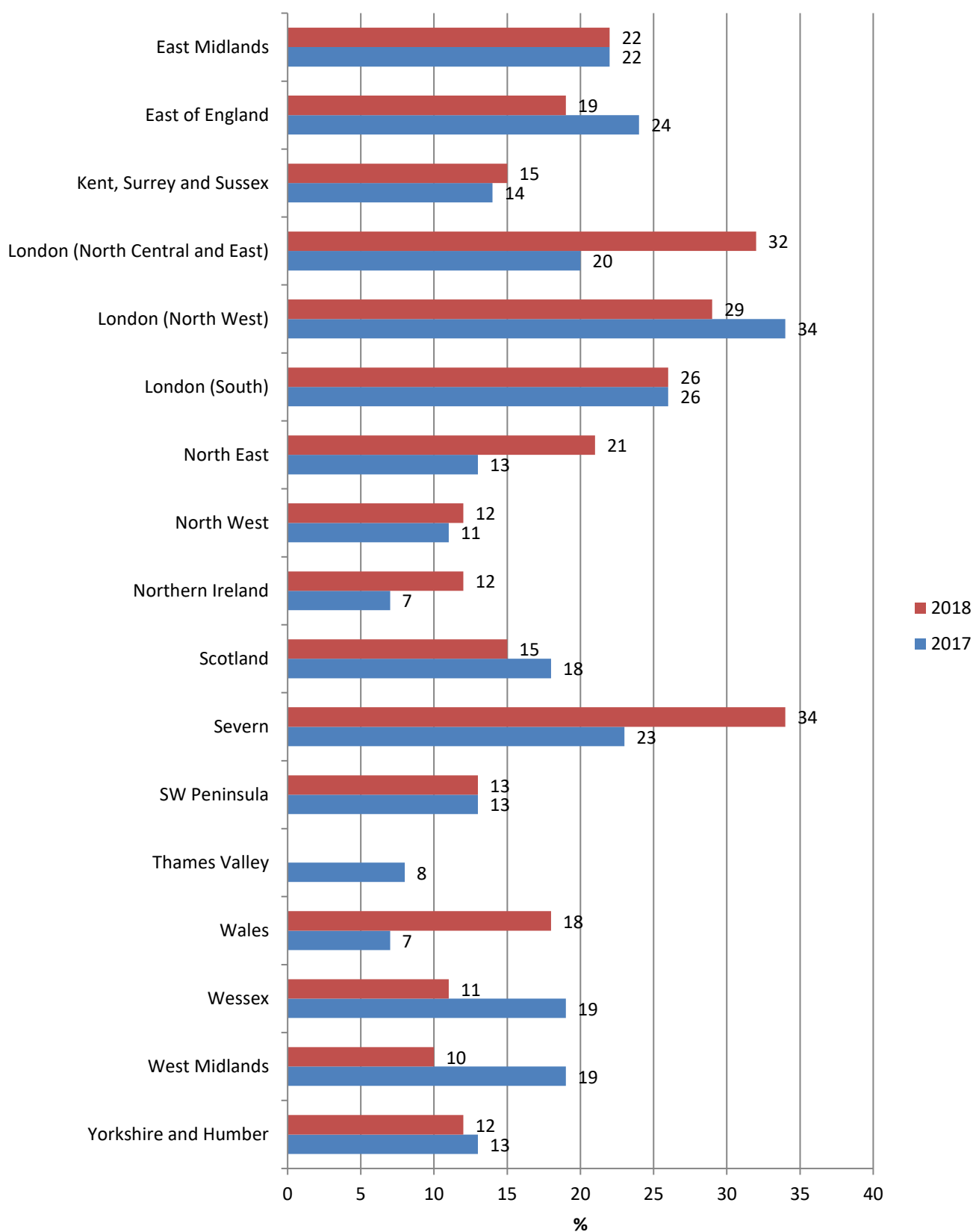
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## Continence

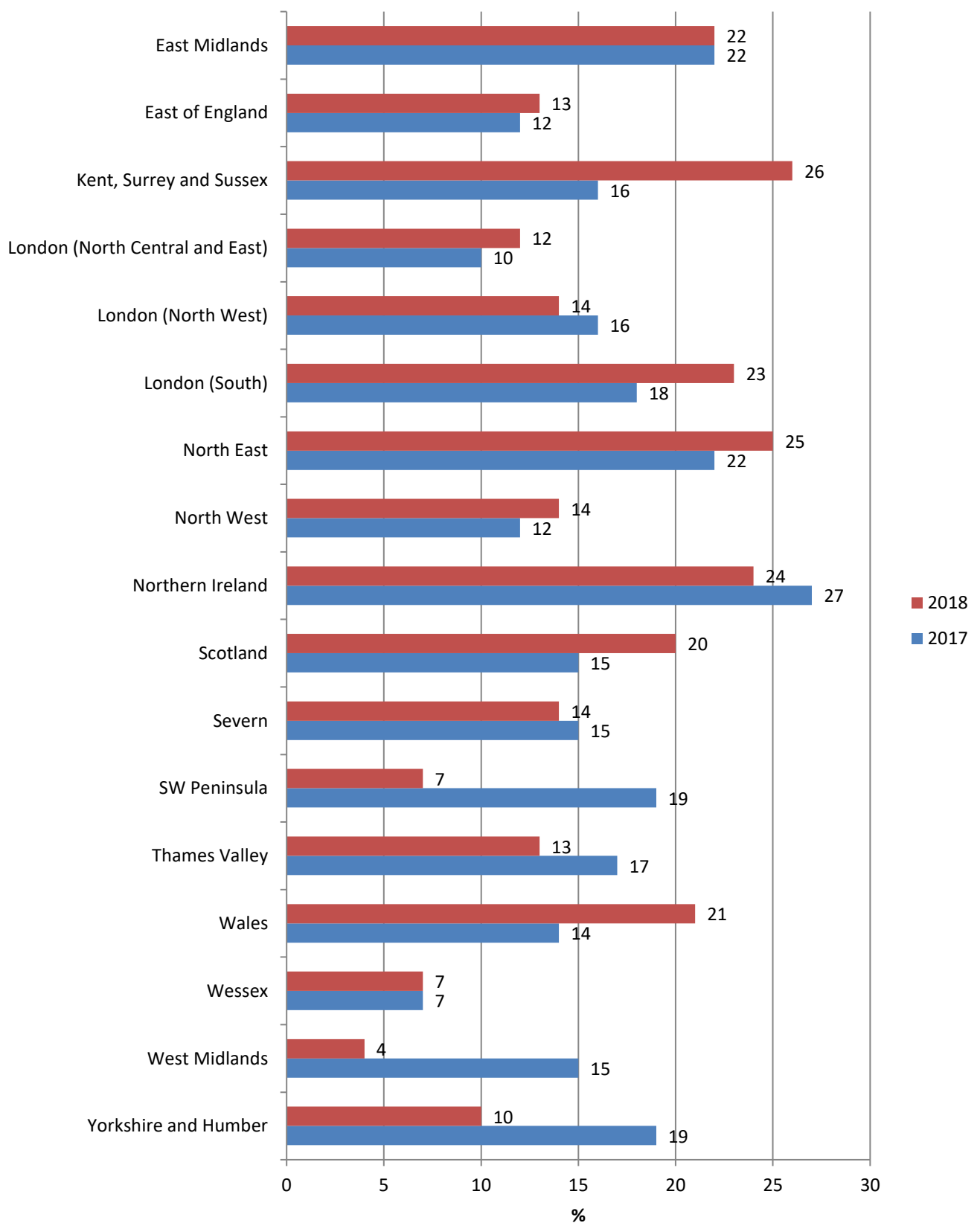


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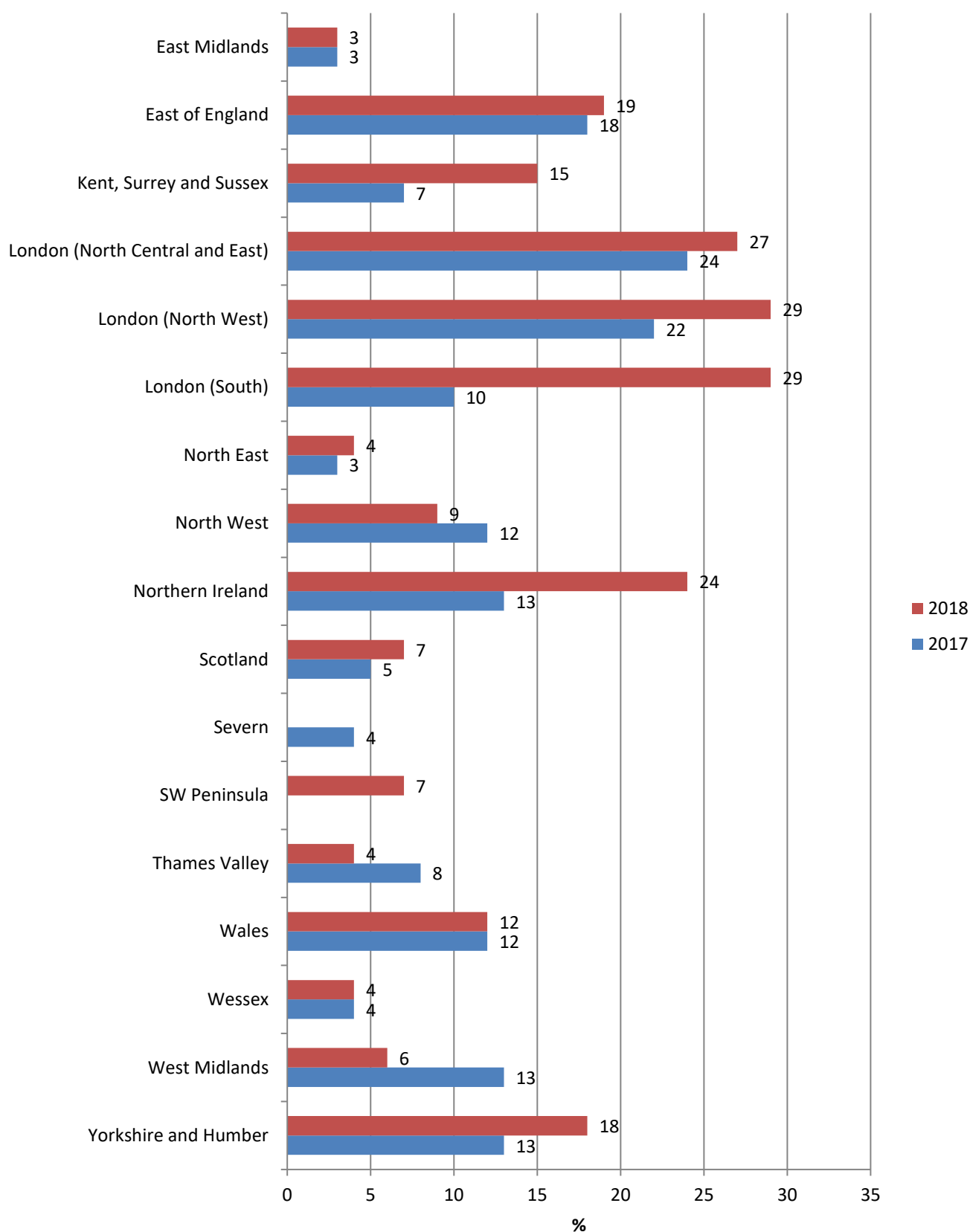


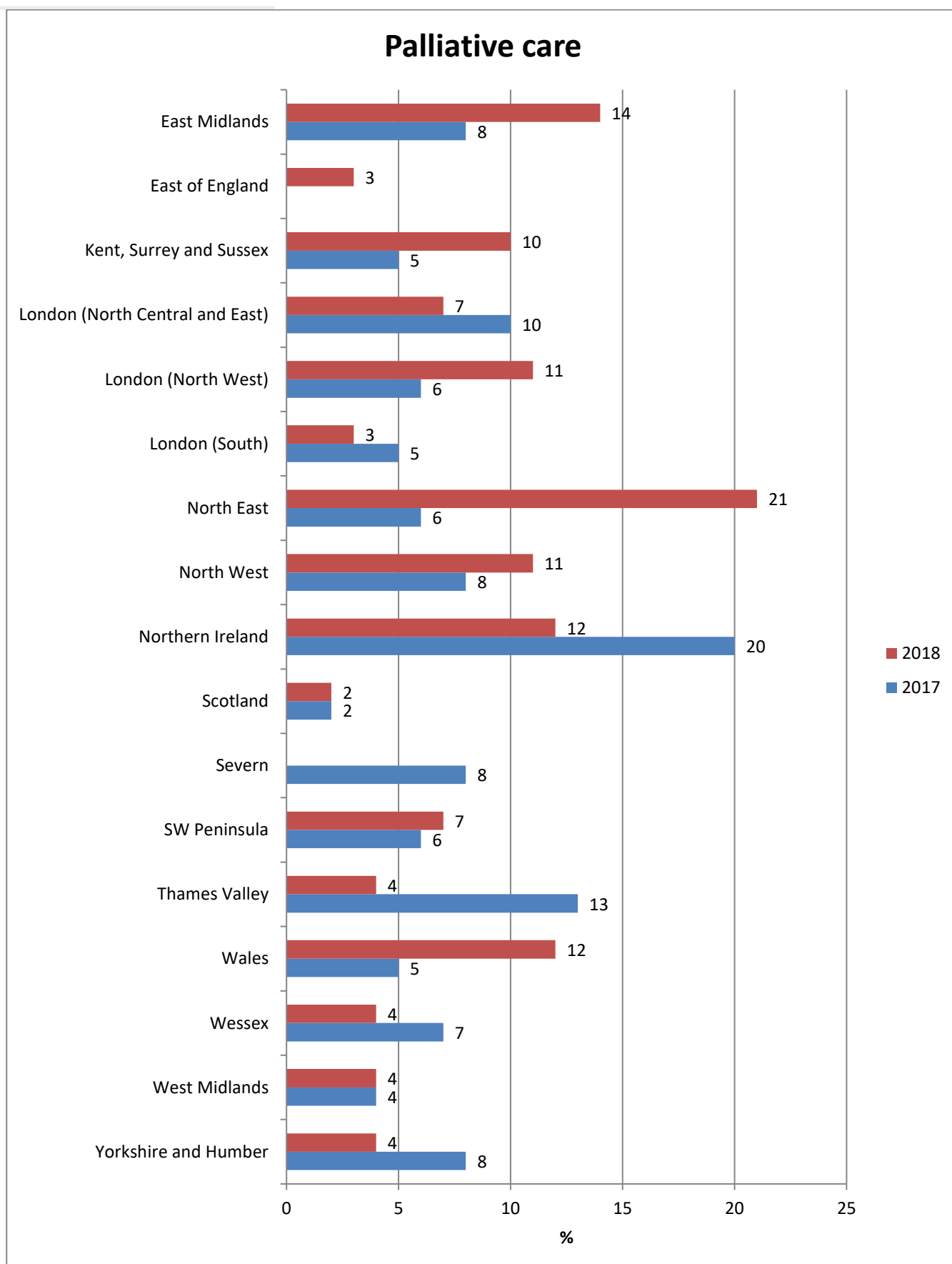


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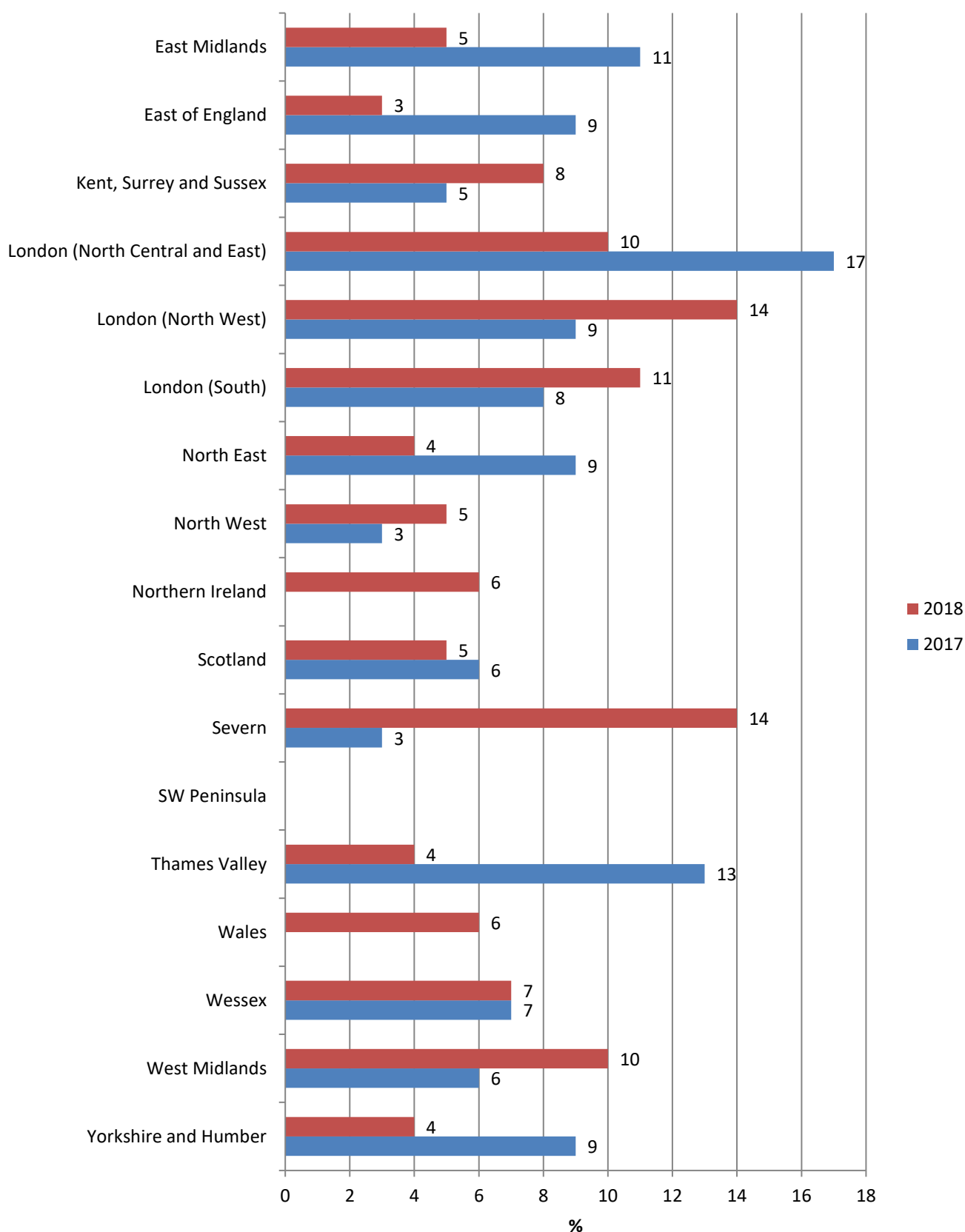


## Movement disorder

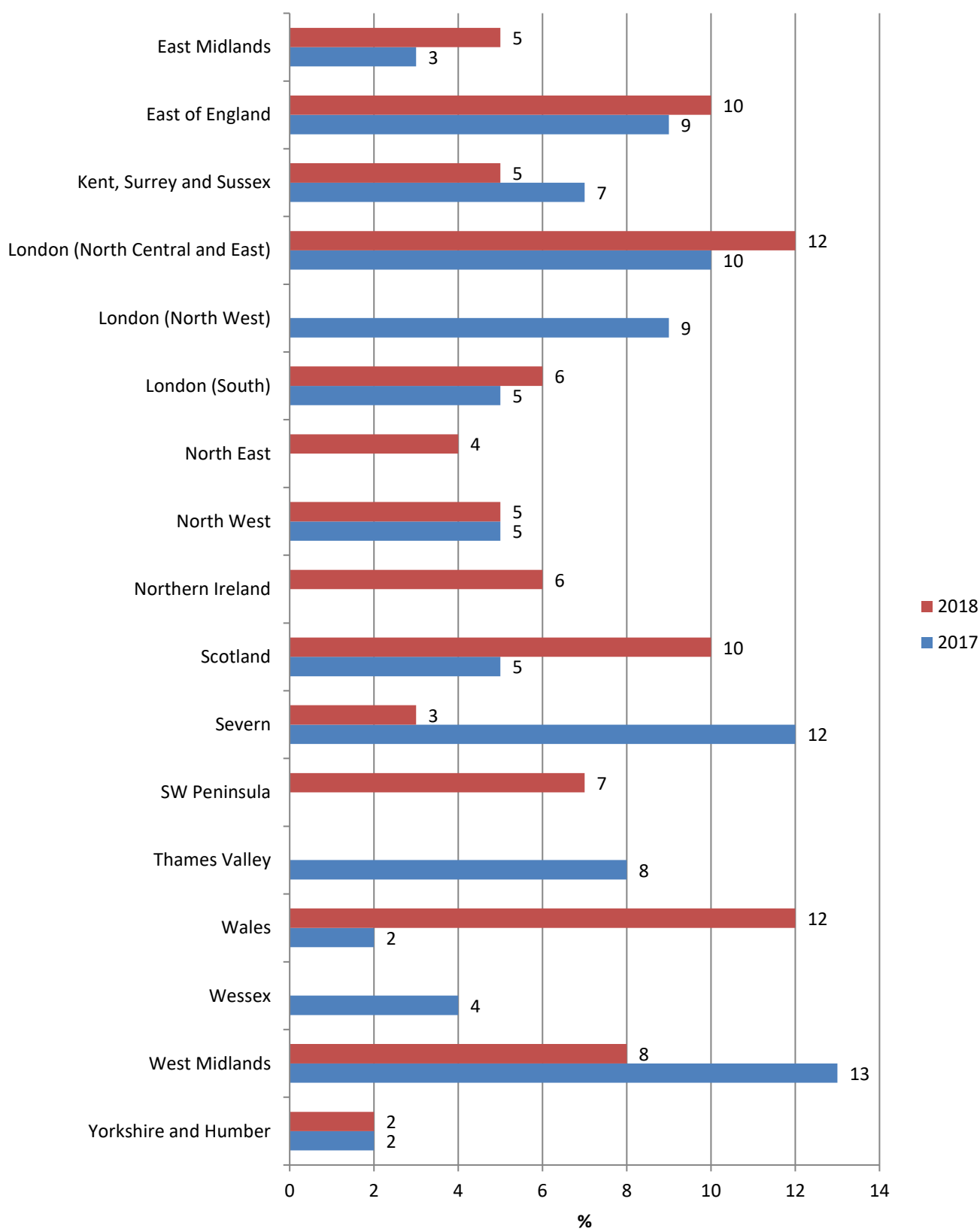


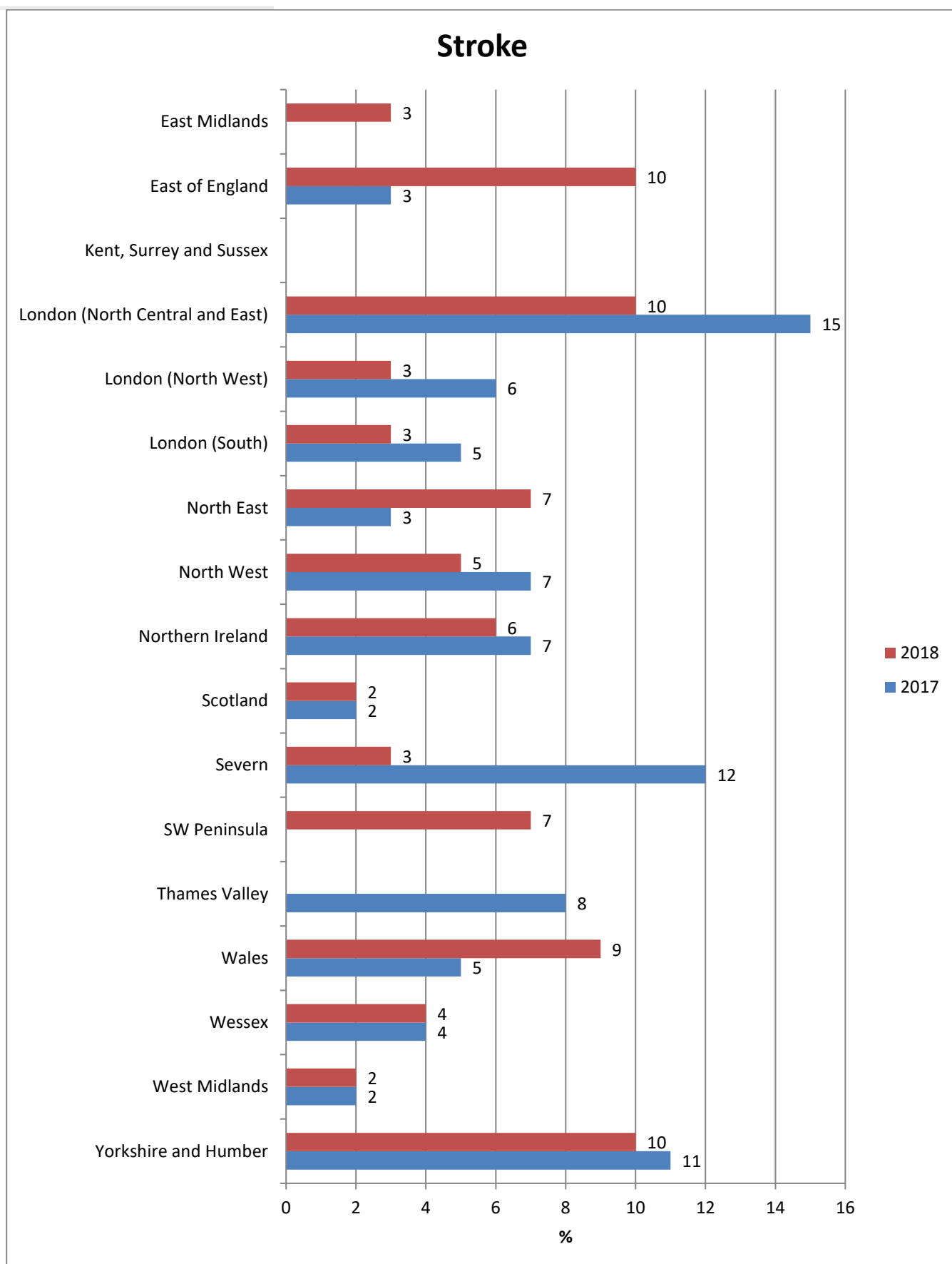


## Rehabilitation

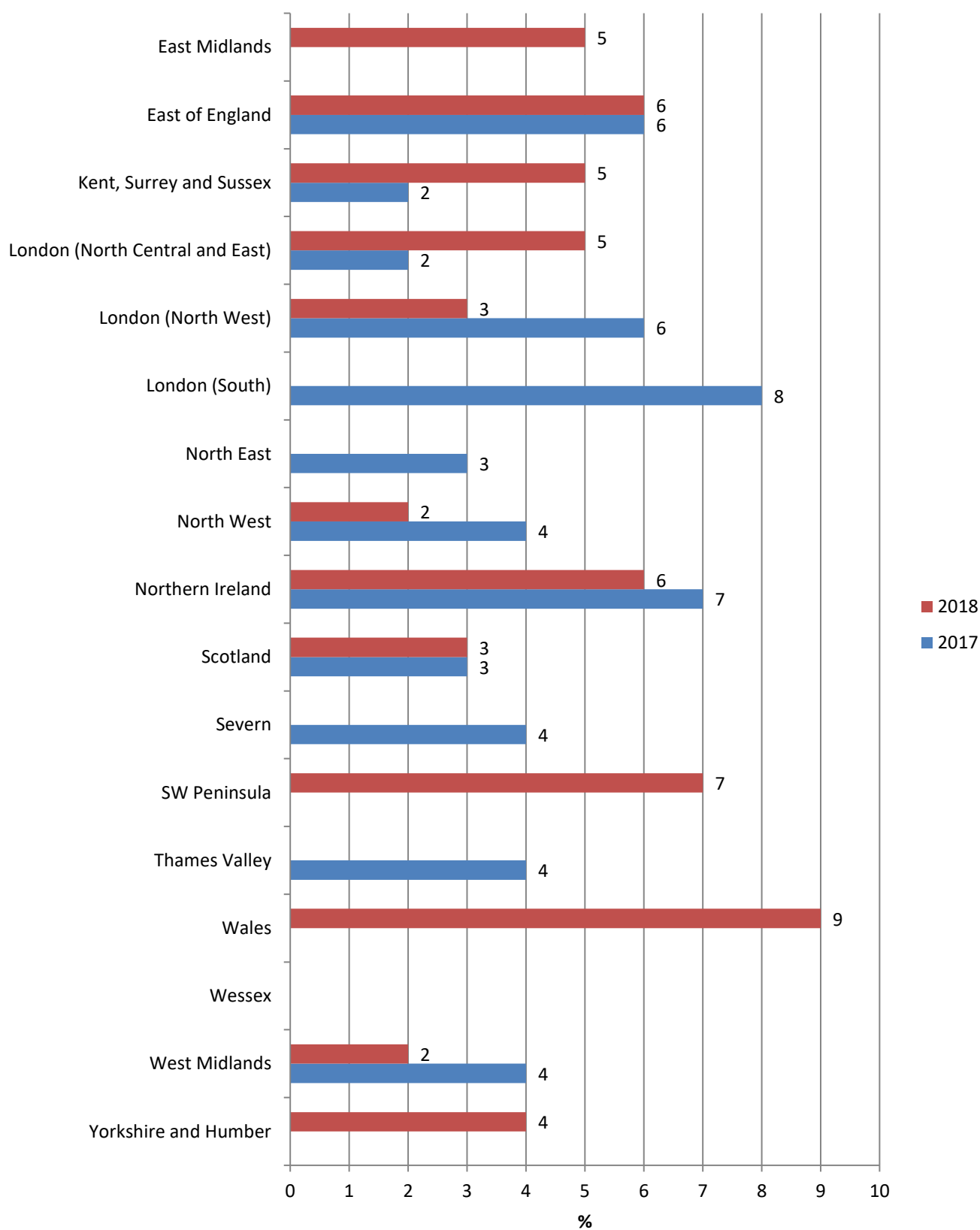


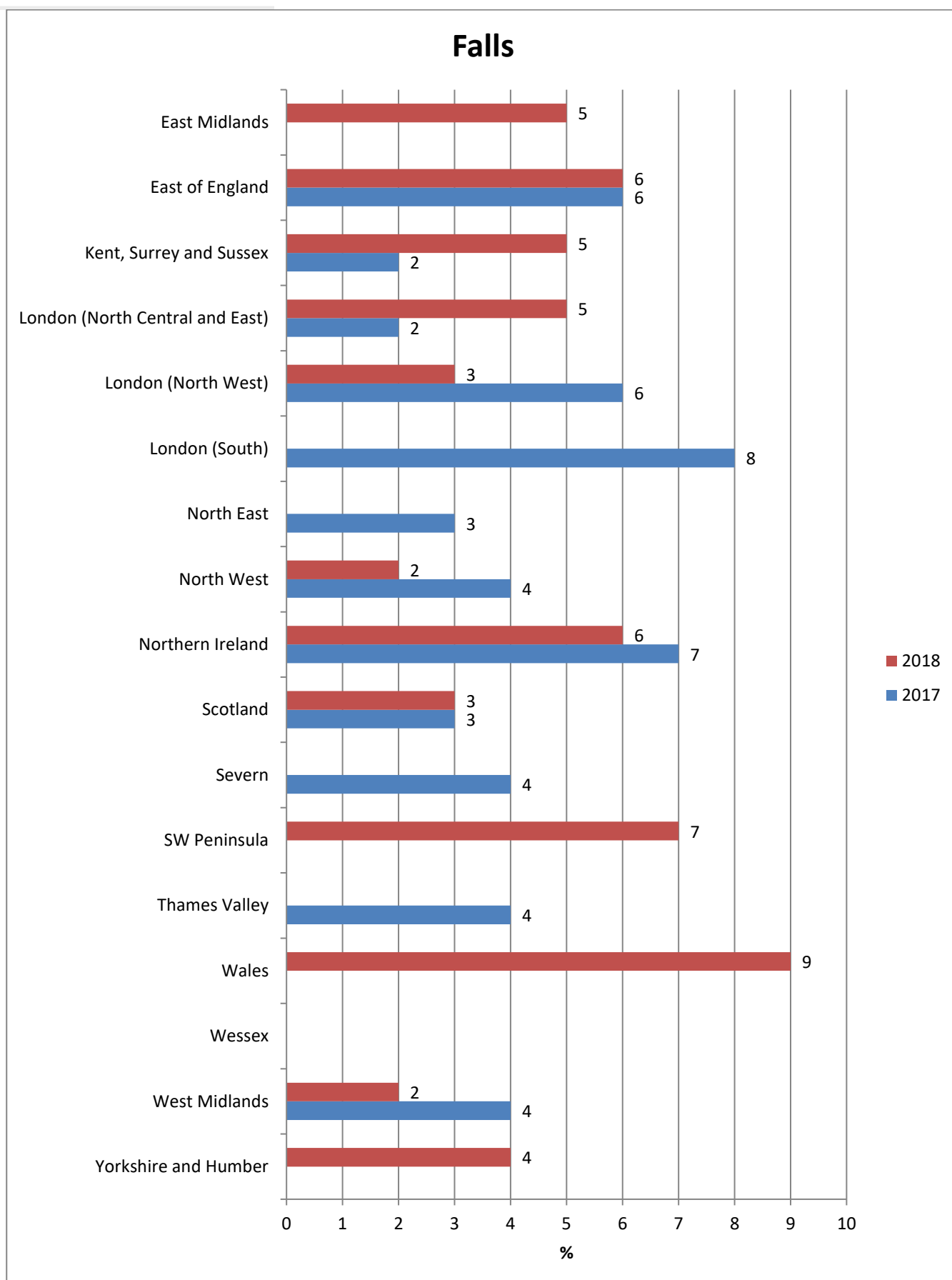
## Orthogeriatrics





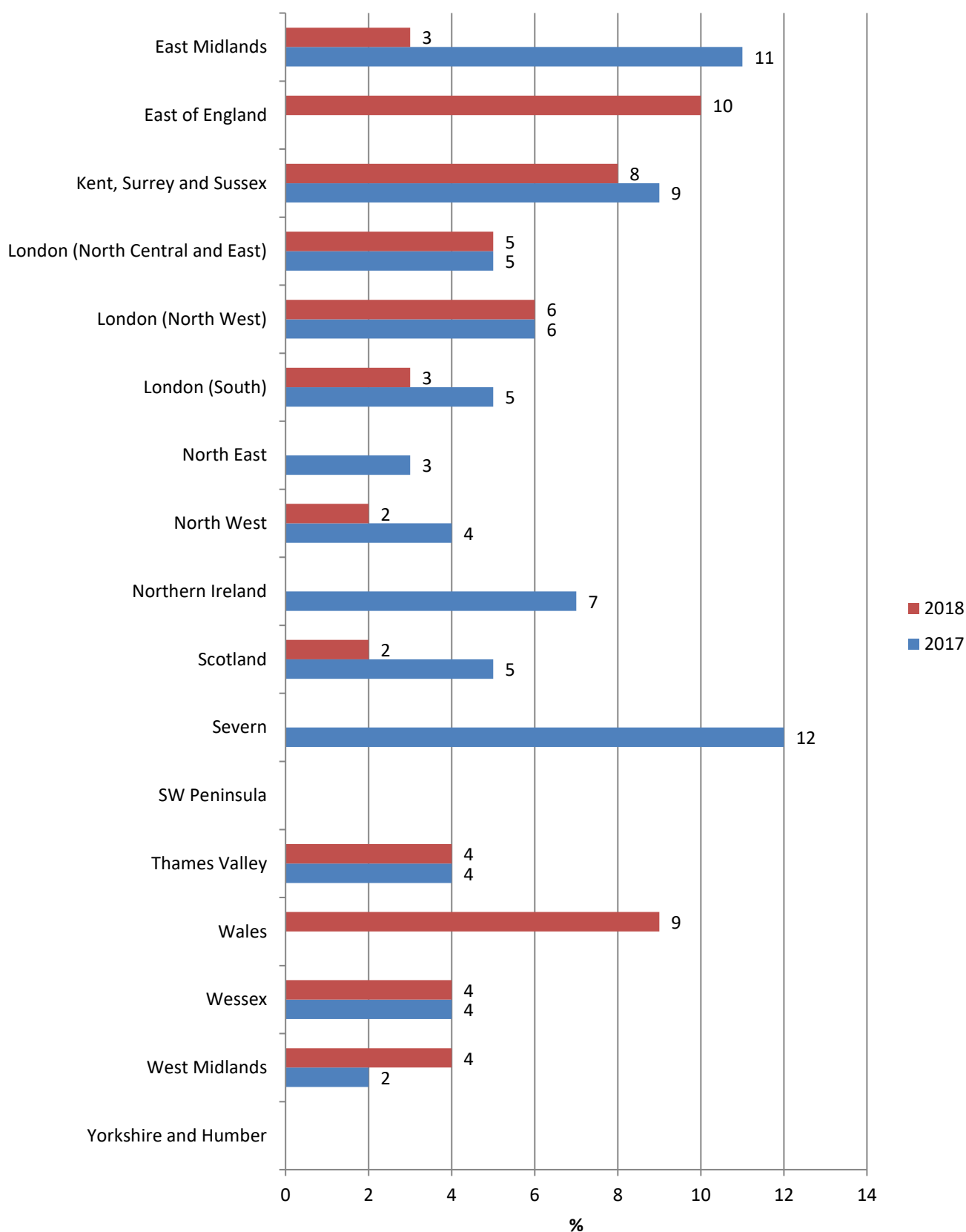
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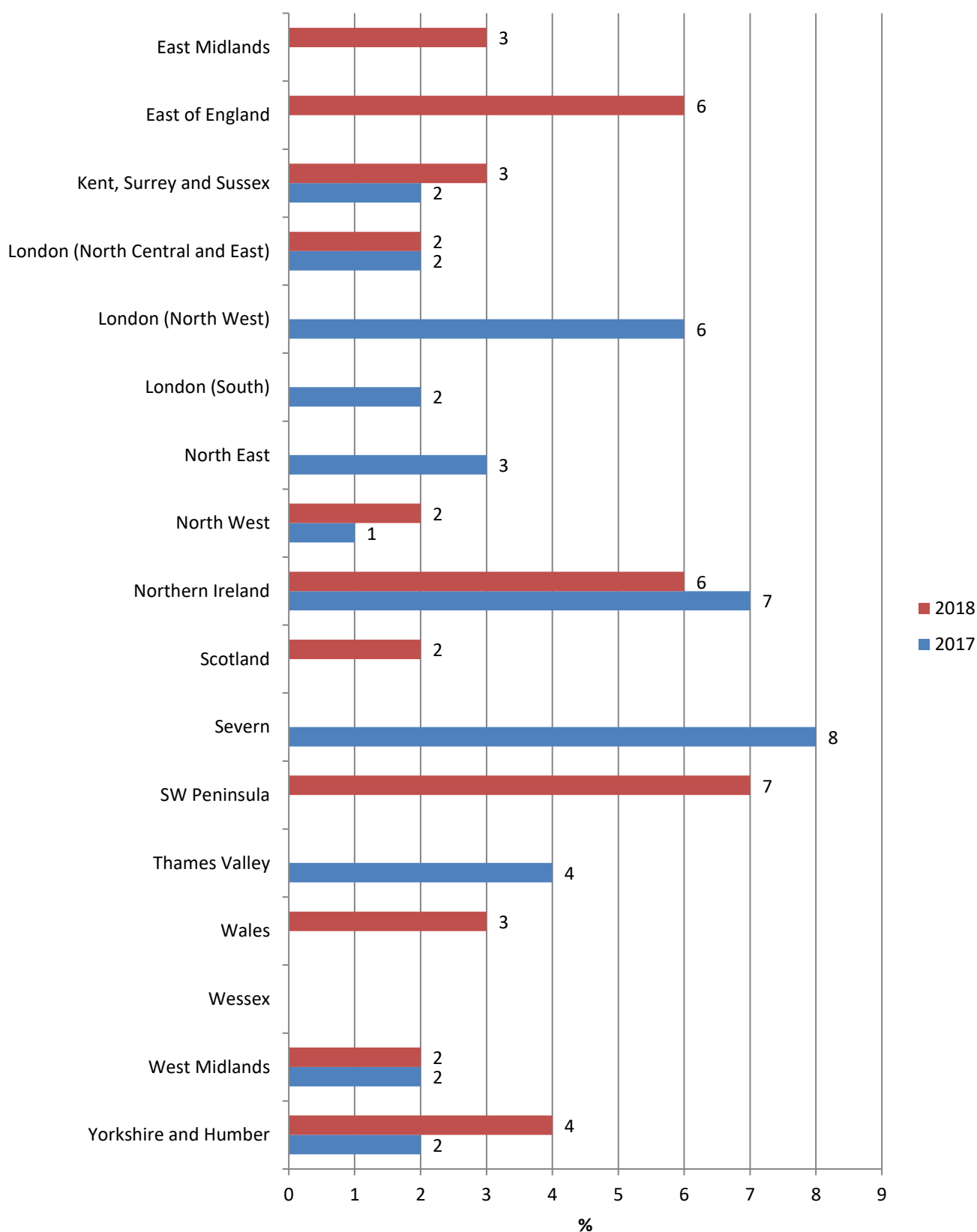




## Planning transfers of care



## Poor mobility

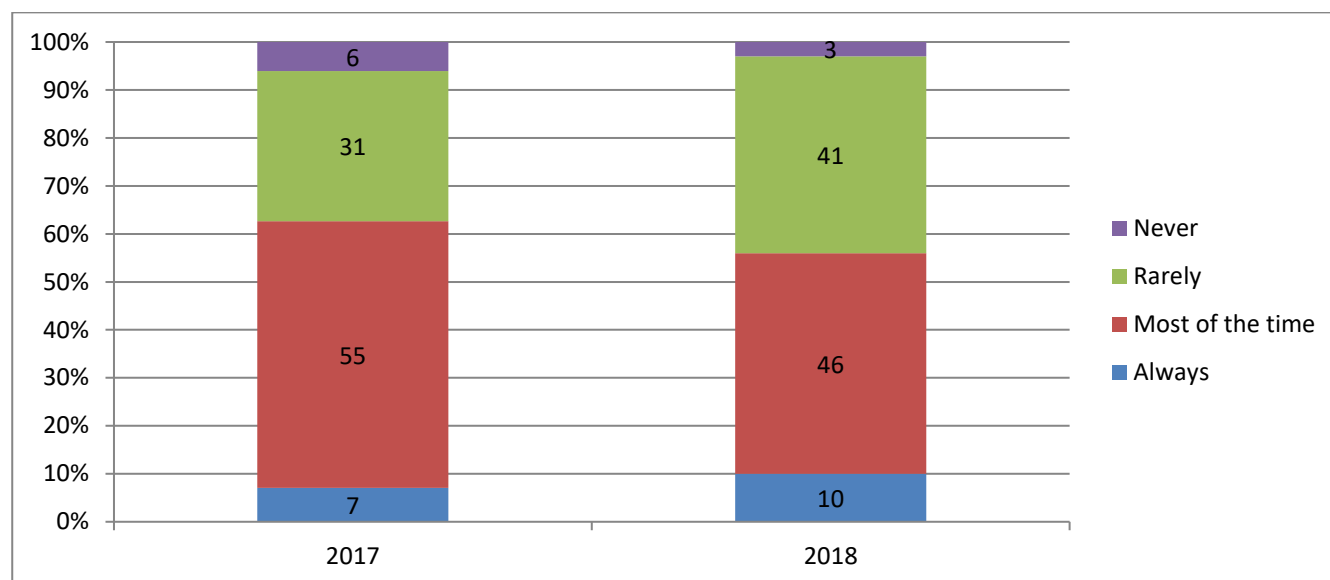


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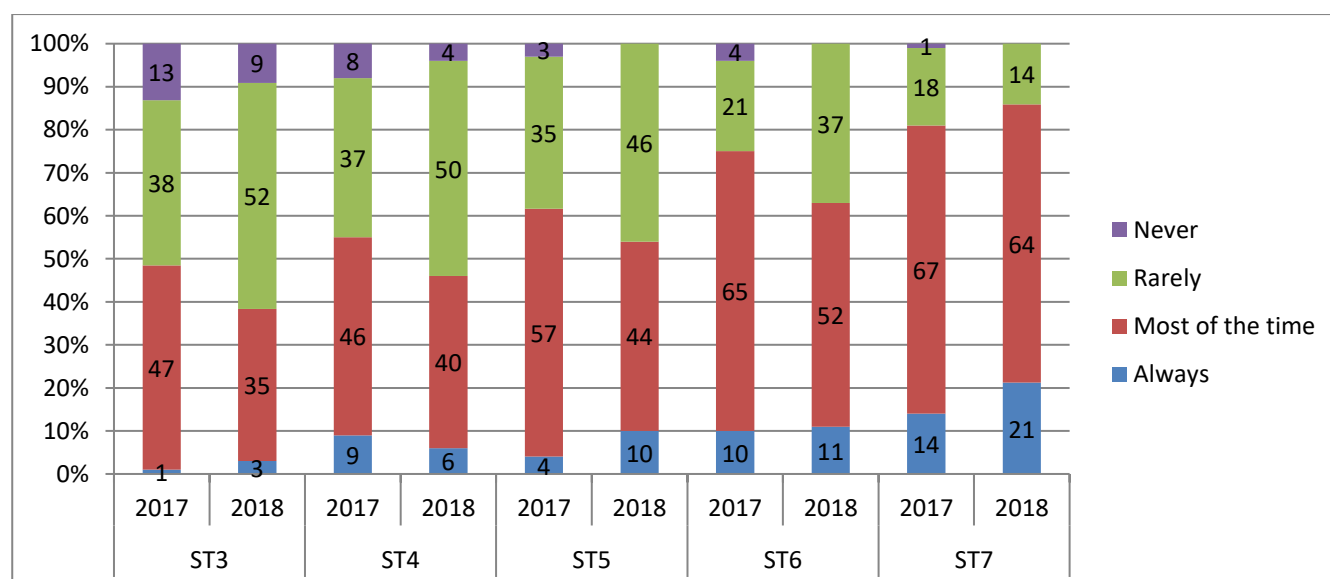
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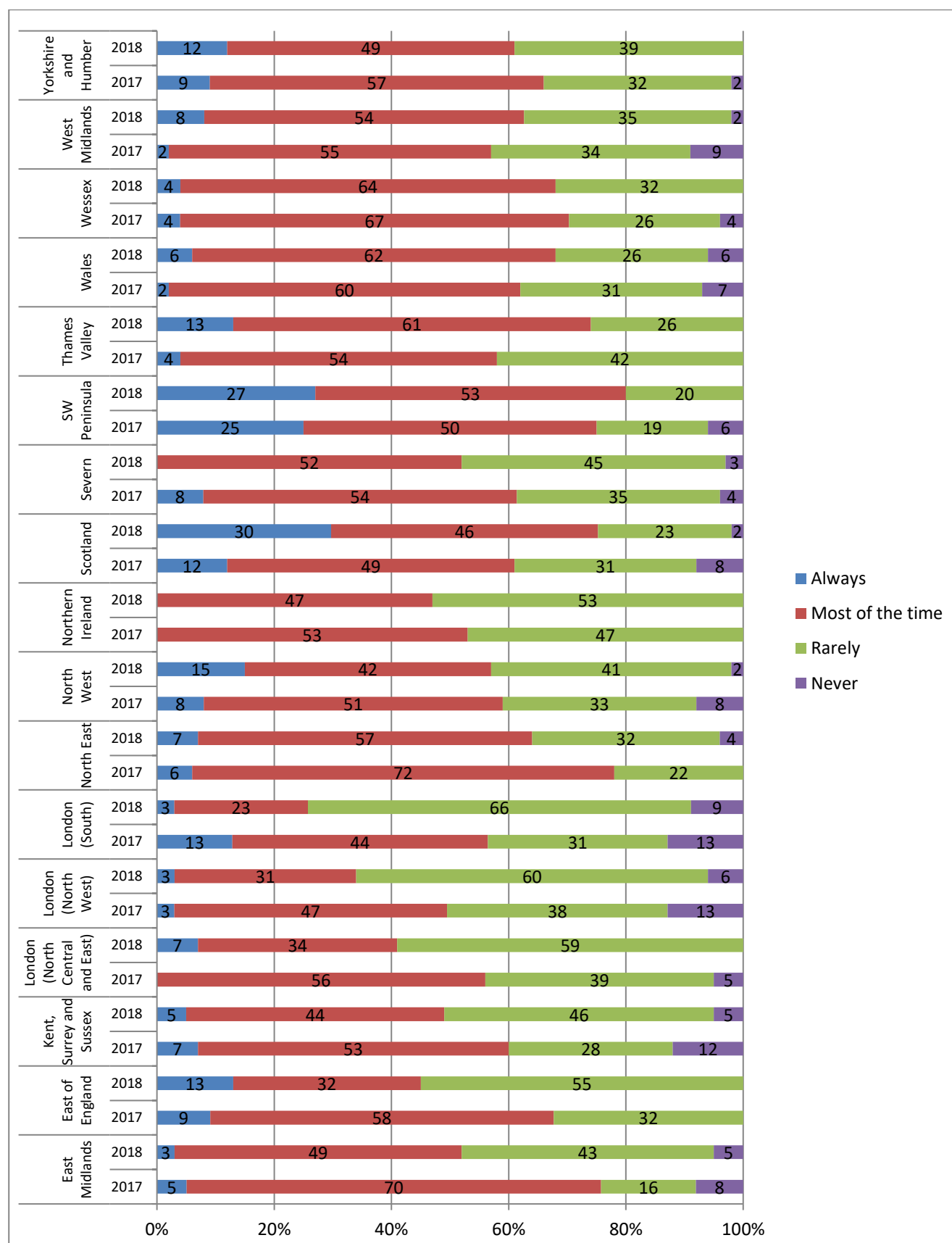
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## Deanery

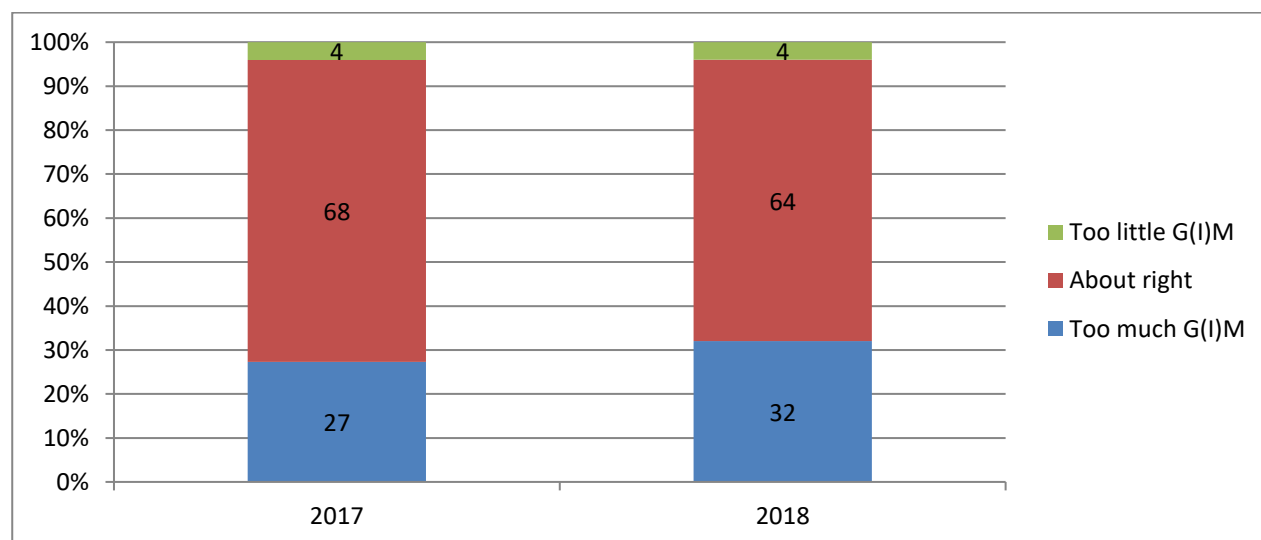


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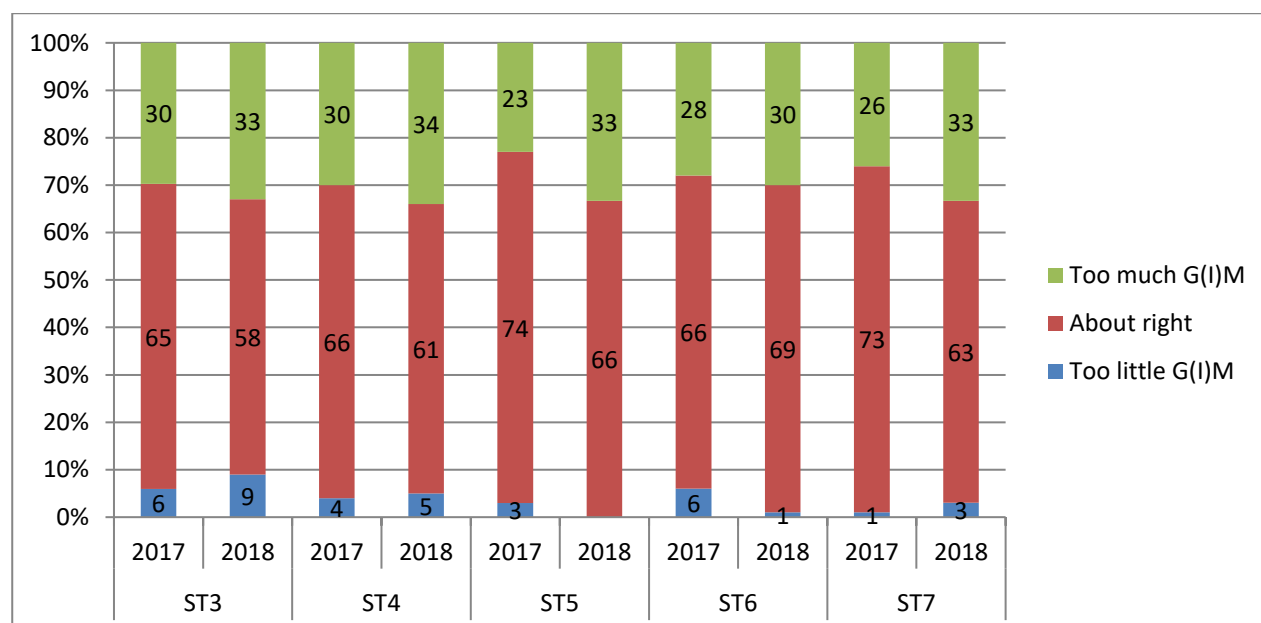
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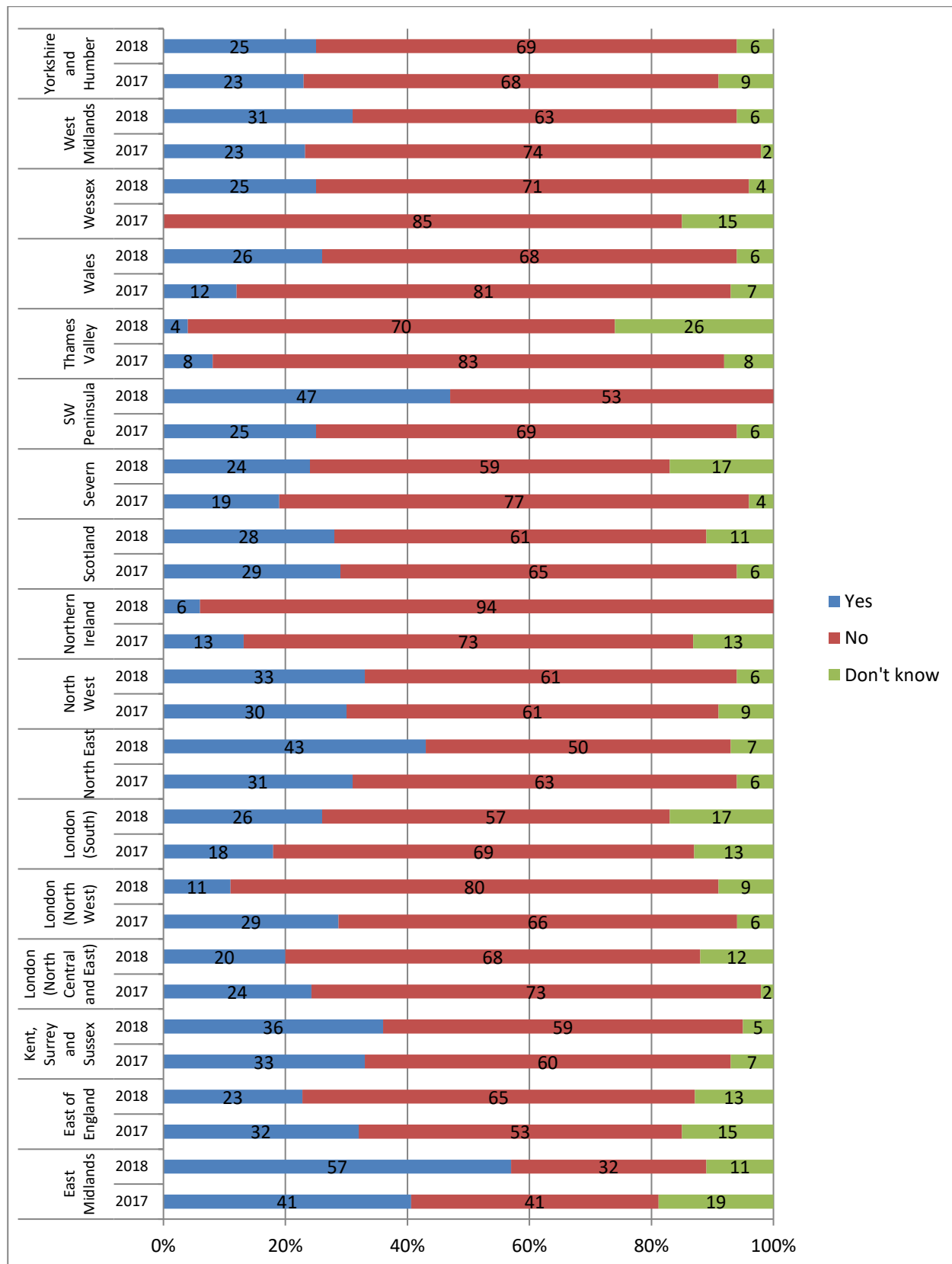
#### All



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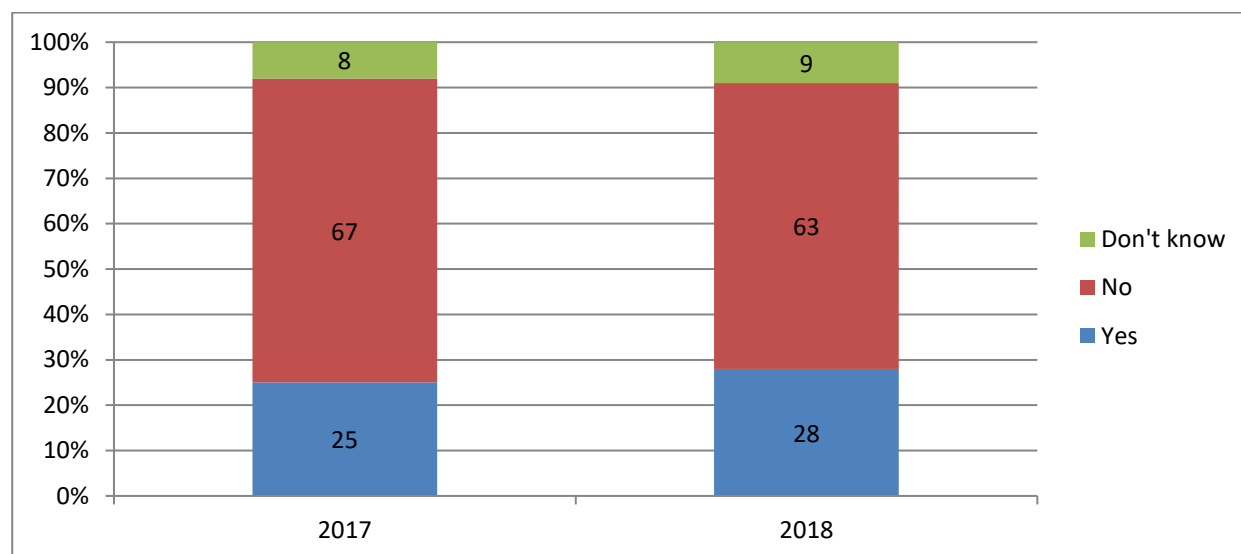


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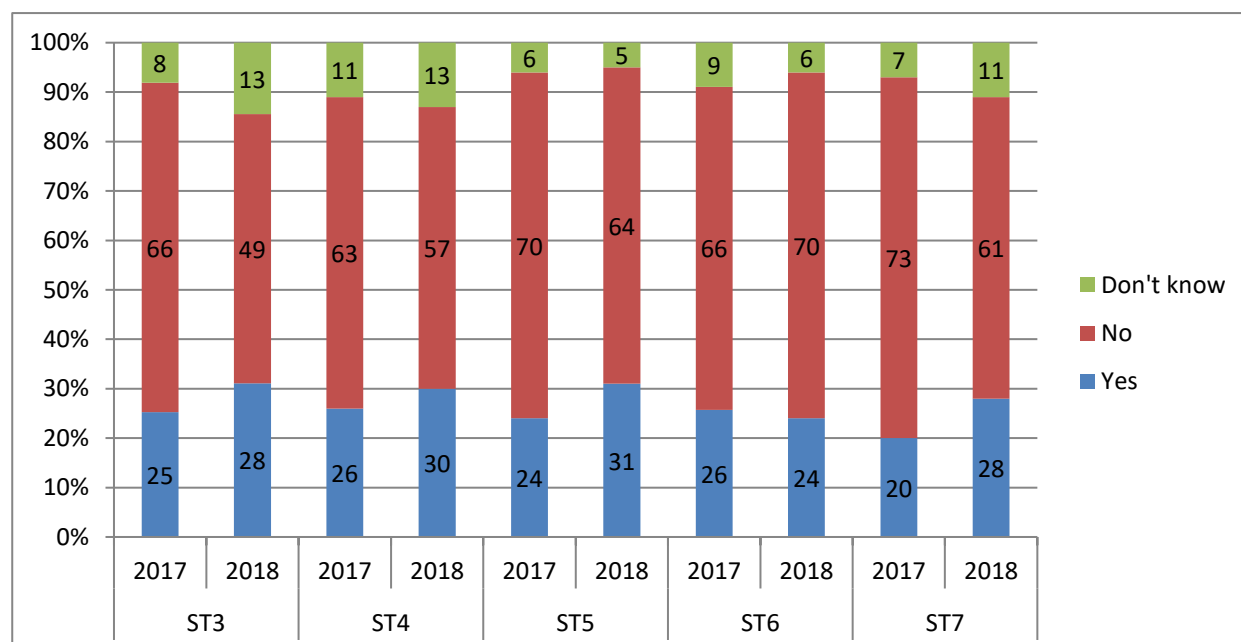


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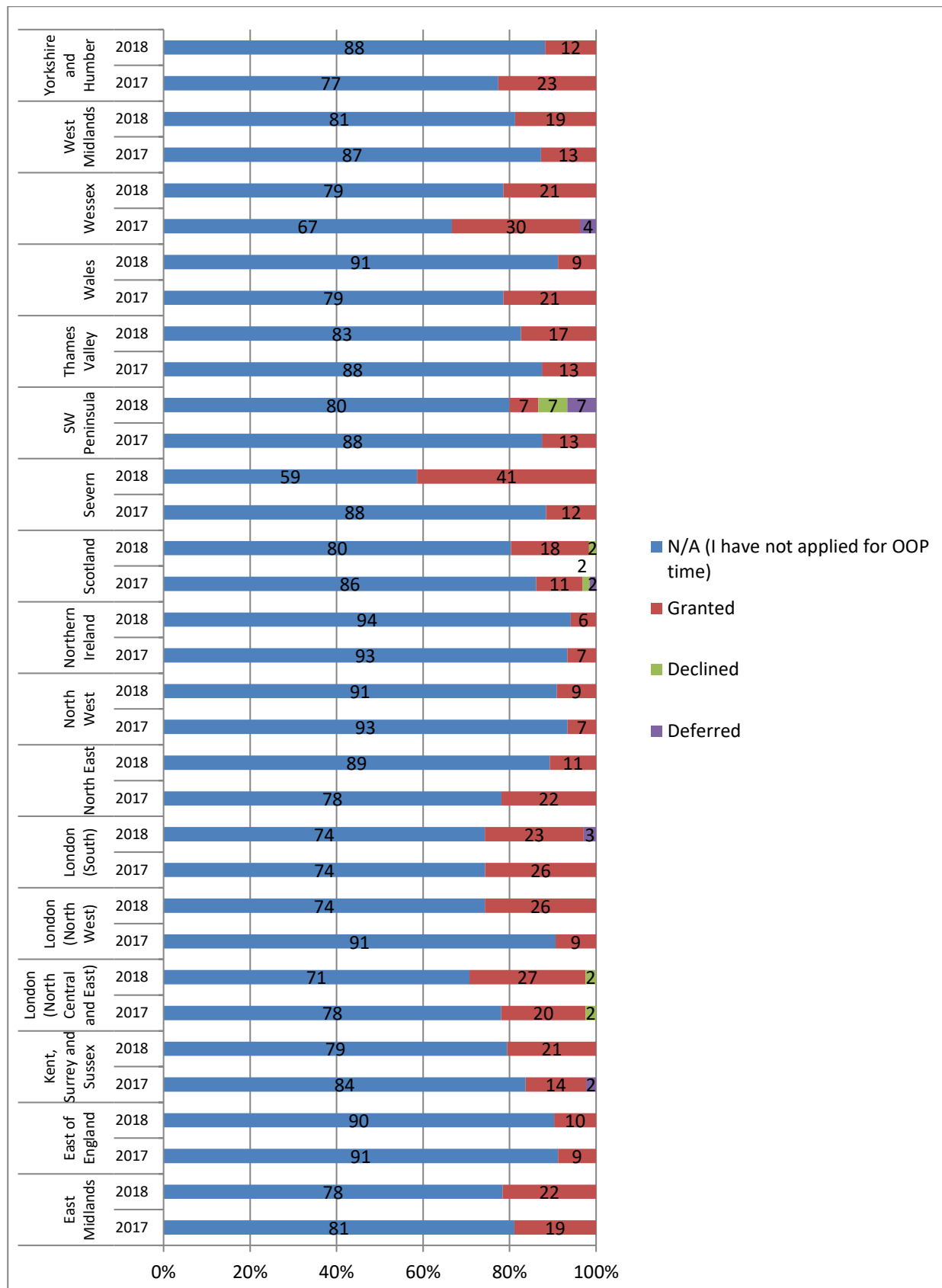
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## Deanery



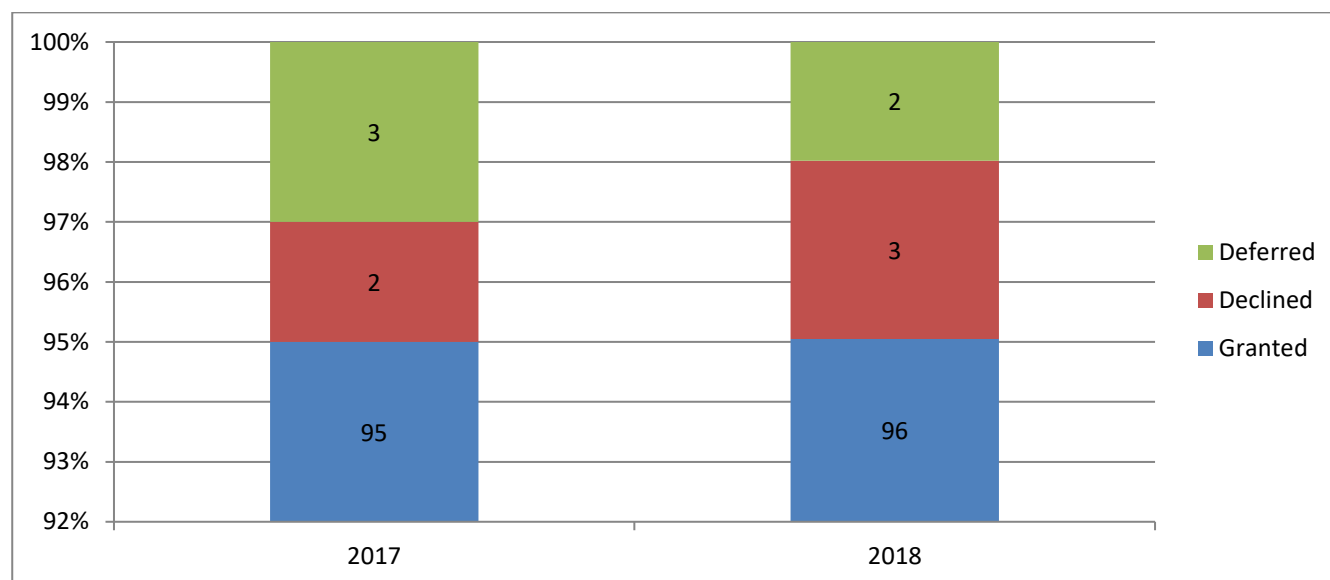


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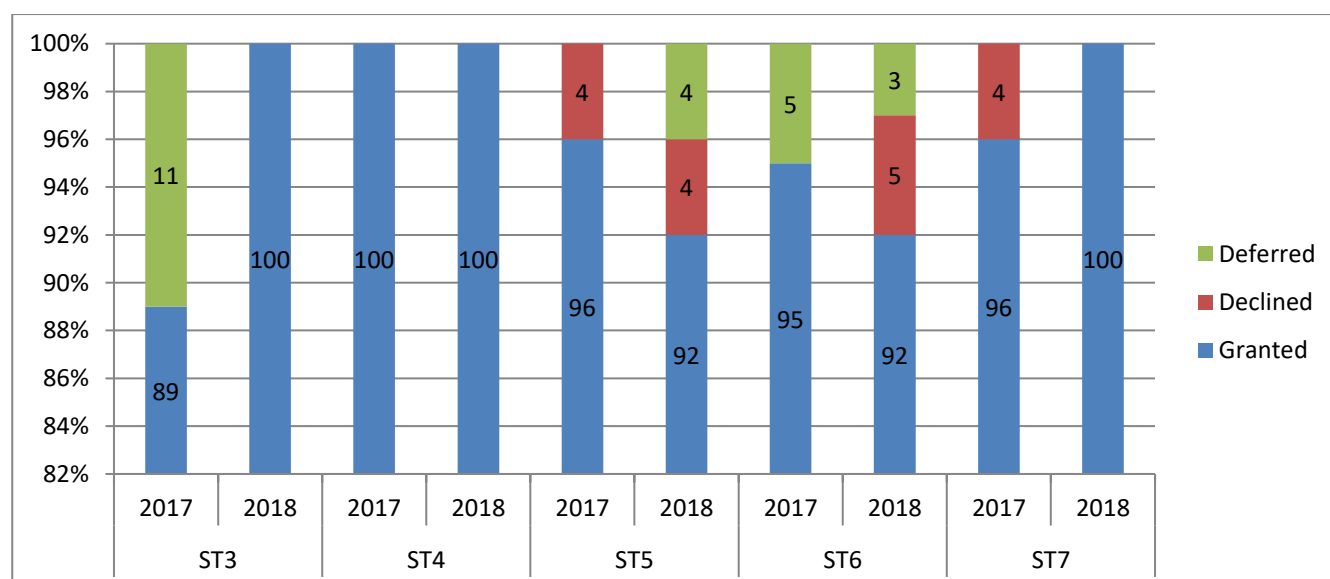
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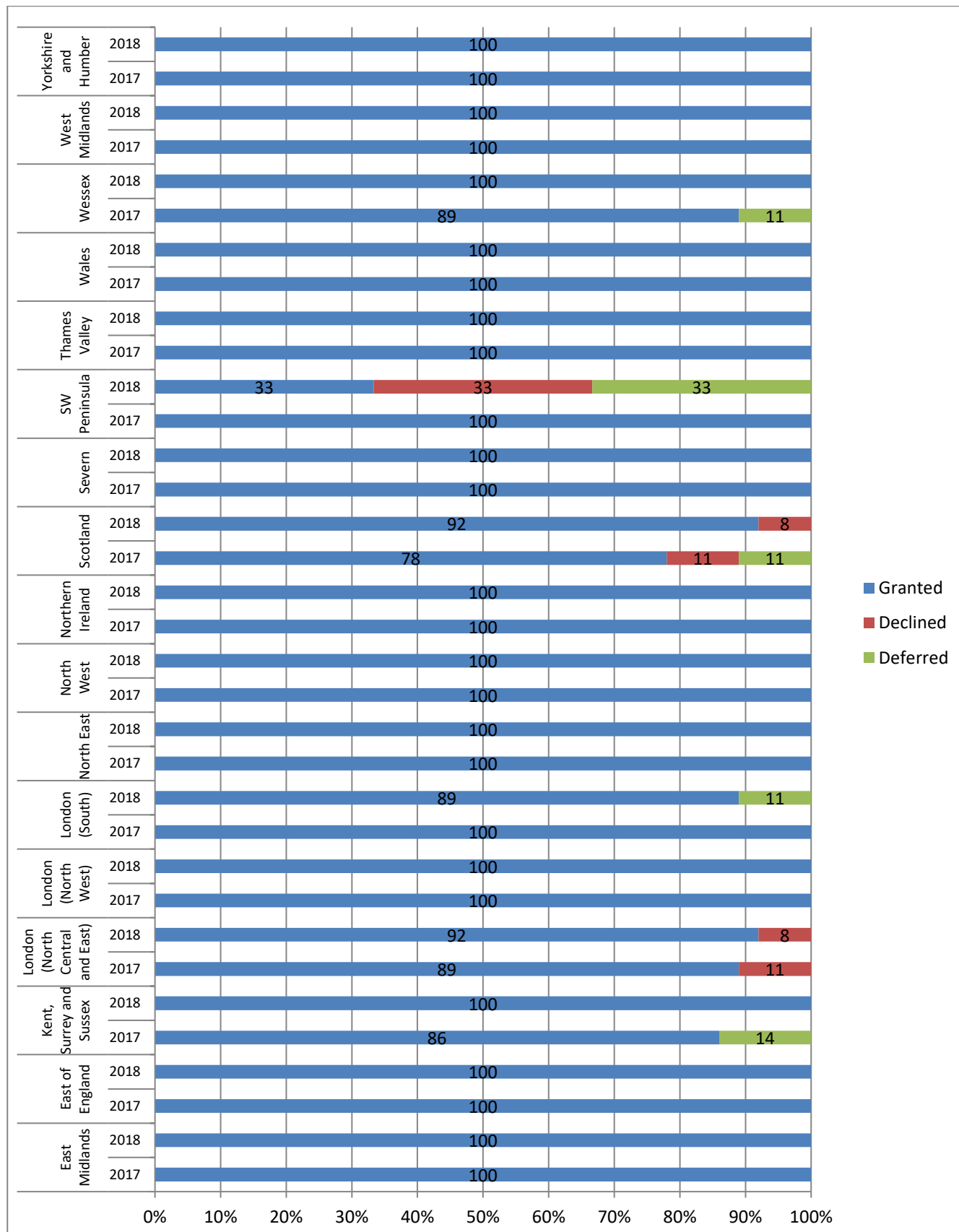
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## Deanery

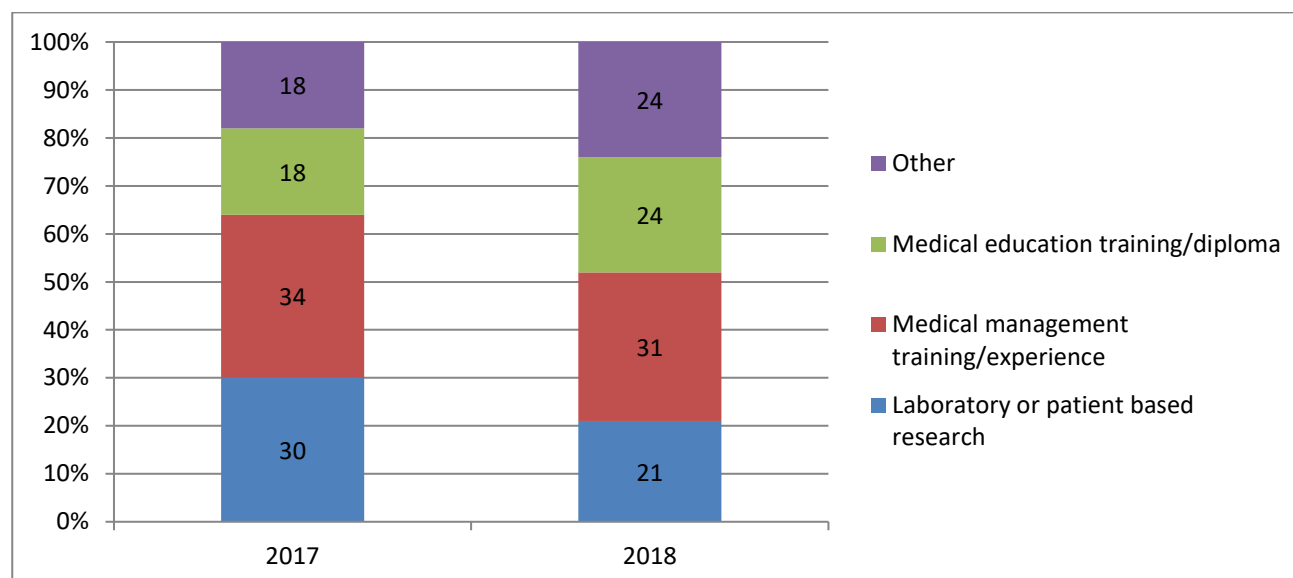


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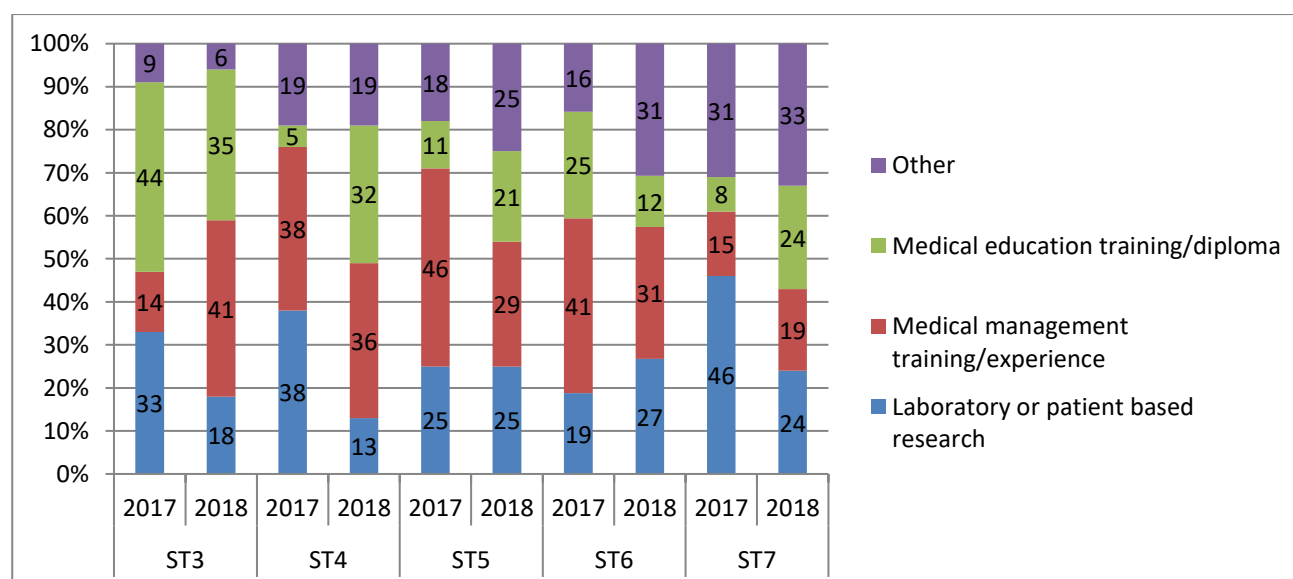
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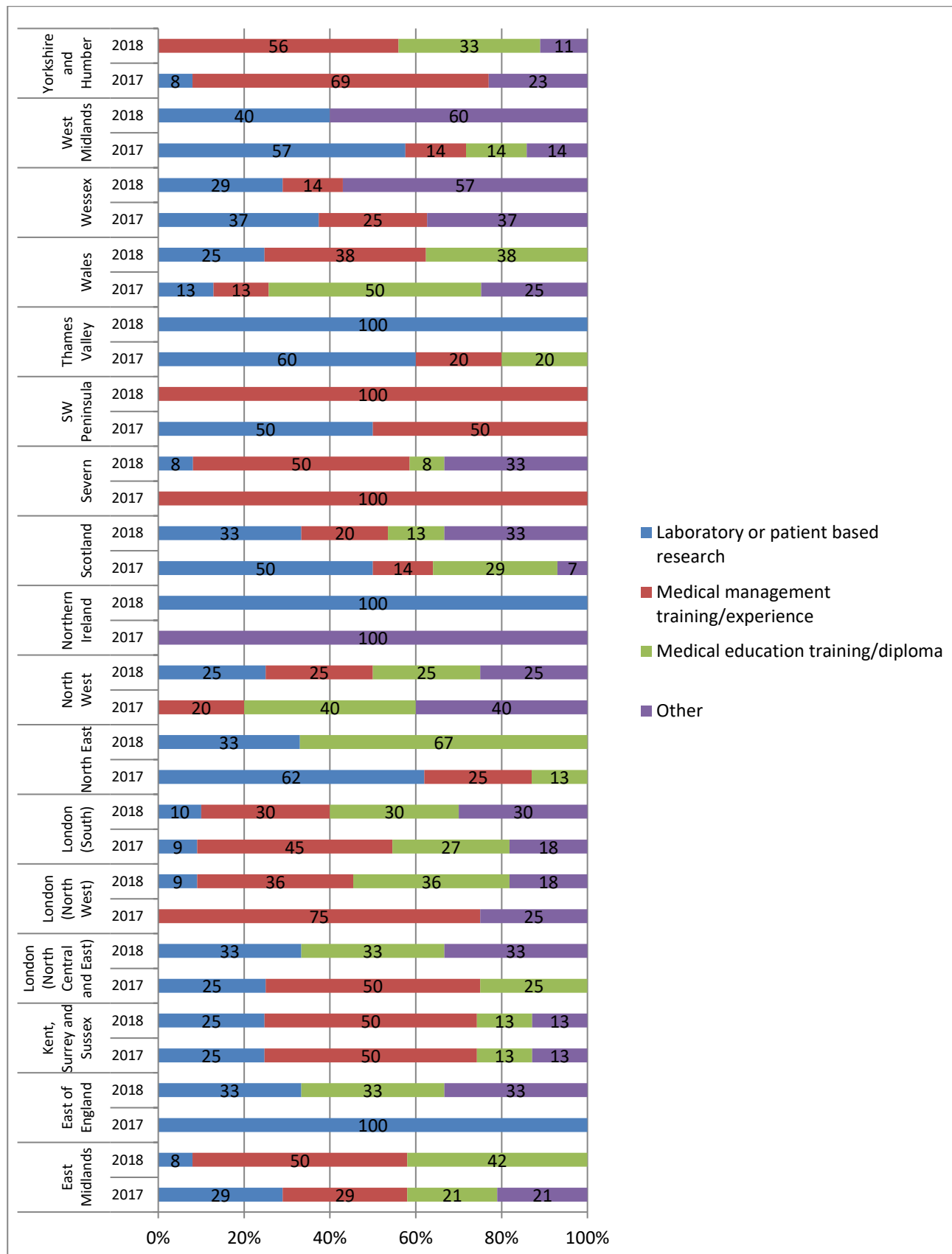
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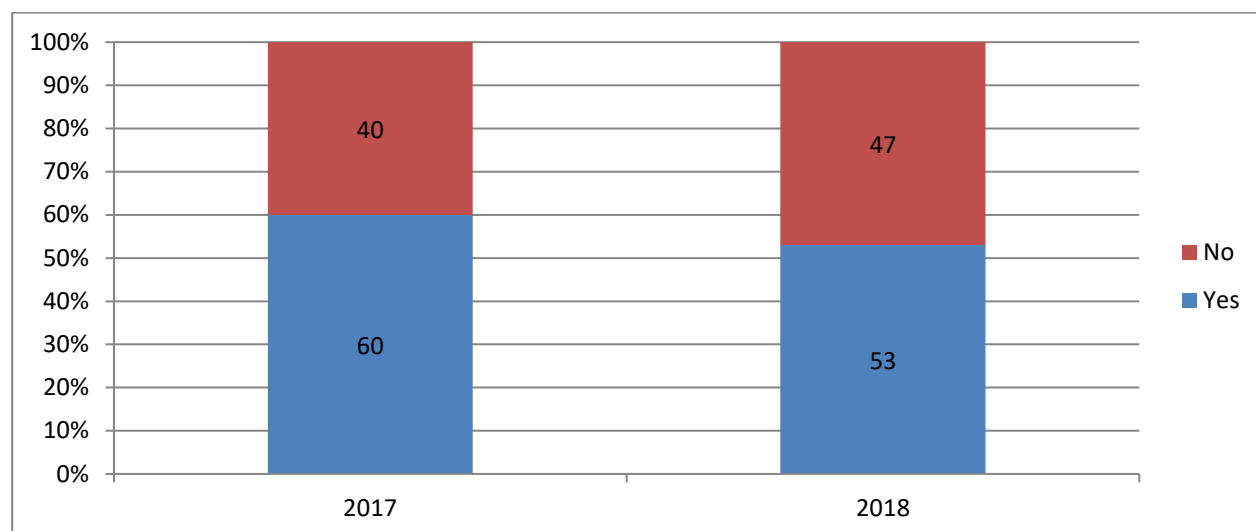


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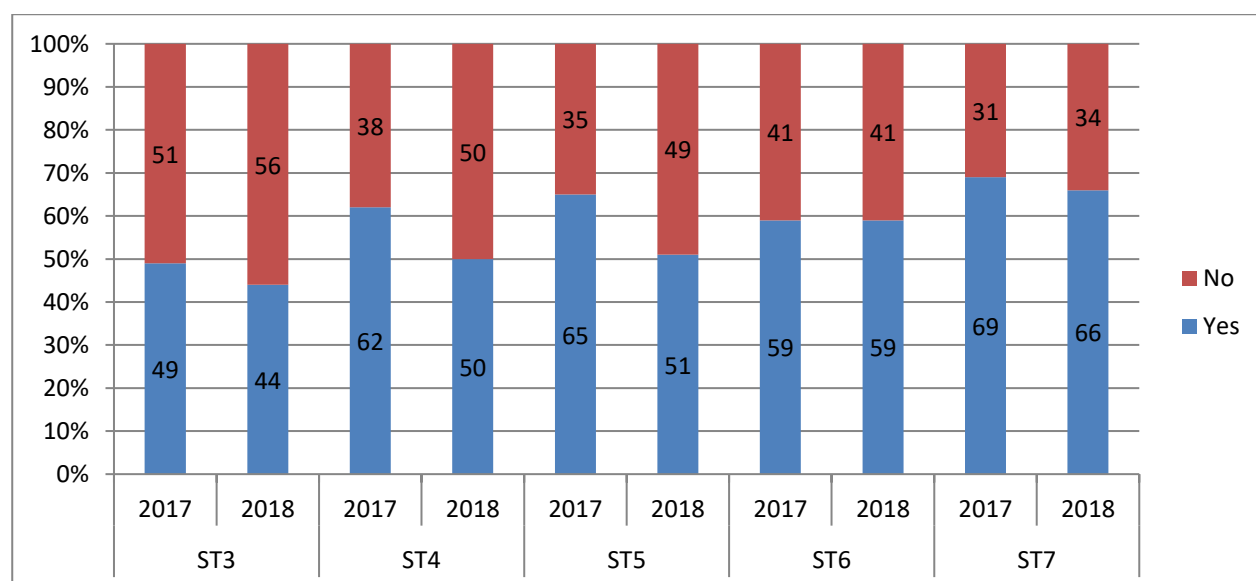


**7) In your ordinary working week are you able to find sufficient time for supporting professional activities such as audit or Quality Improvement?** (This question was presented to trainees of the following grades: ST3, ST4, ST5, ST6, ST7, ST8) 2017 n Range 649, 2018 n Range 618

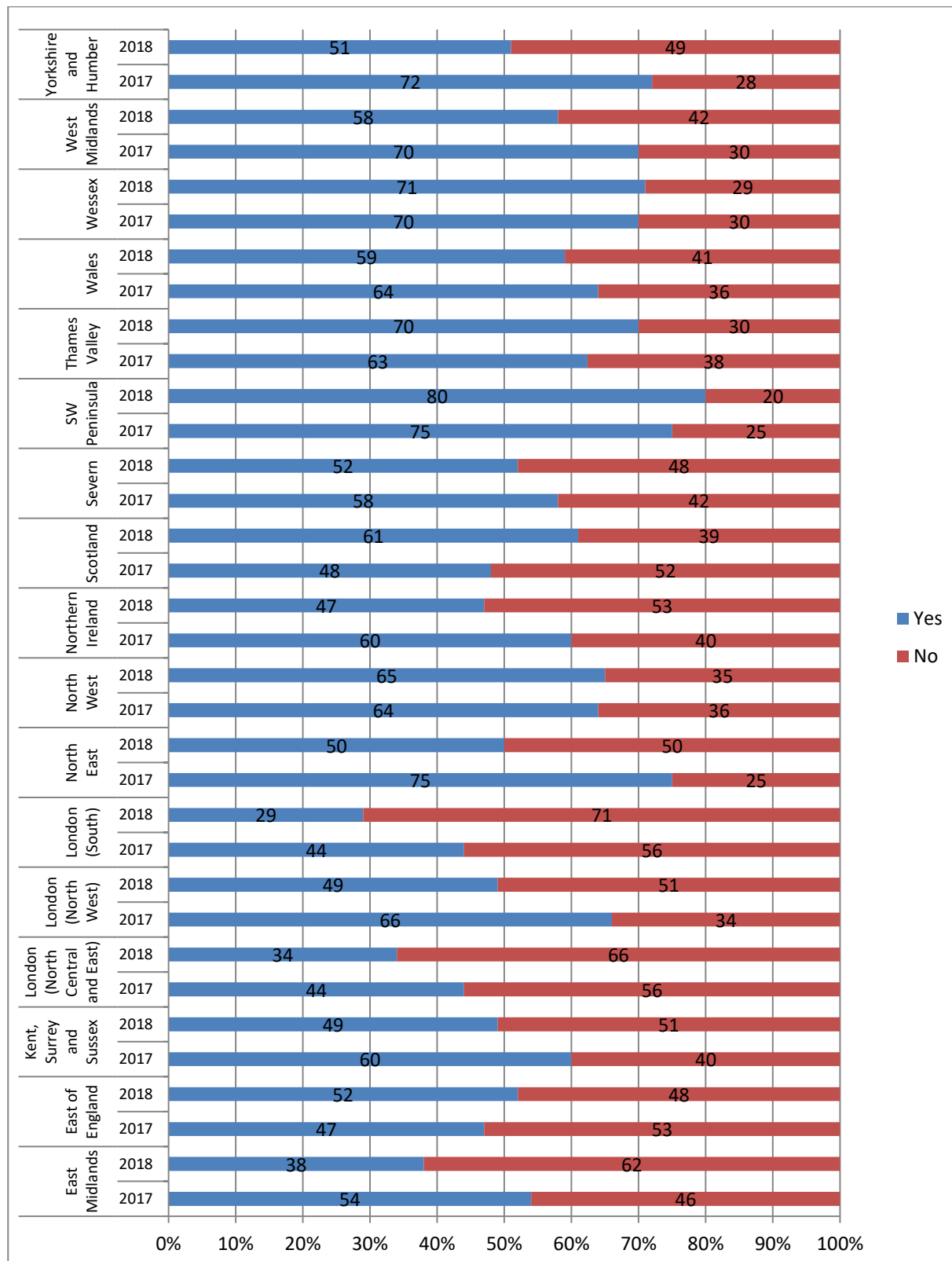
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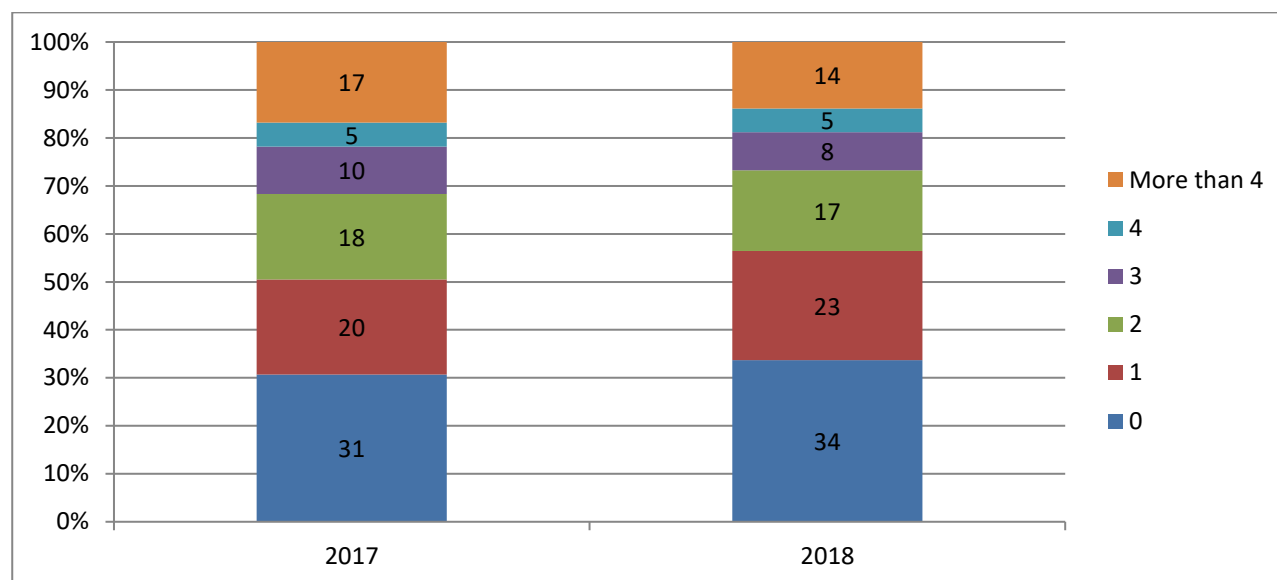


## 8) Within the last year, how many non-clinical management or organisational meetings (e.g. about service development with commissioners, trust managers or boards etc) have you attended?

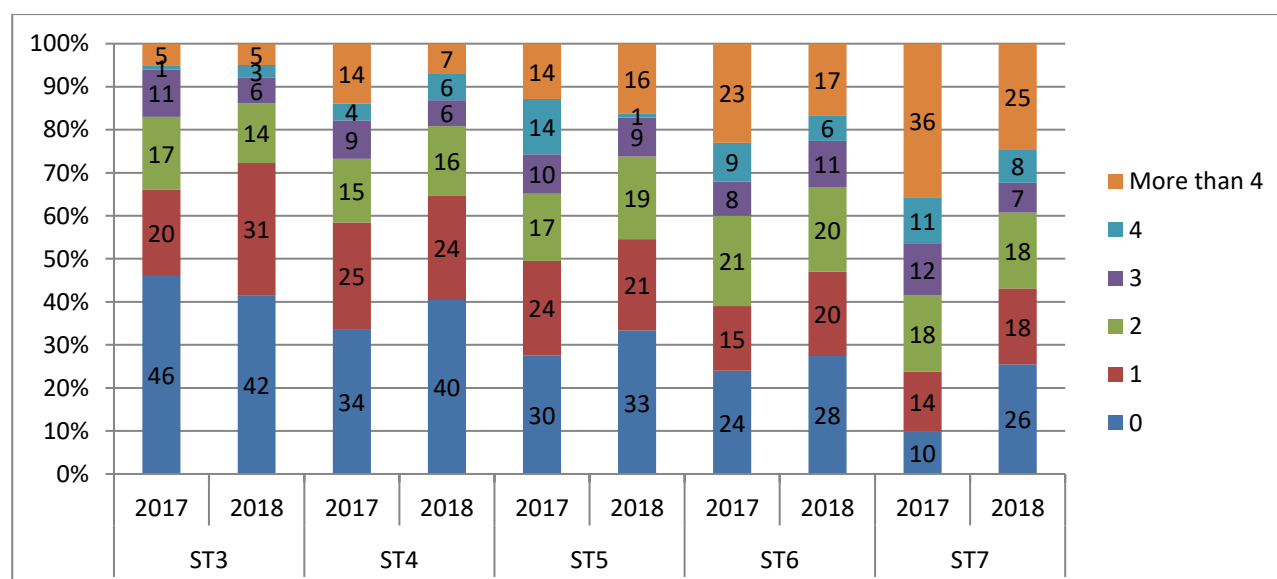
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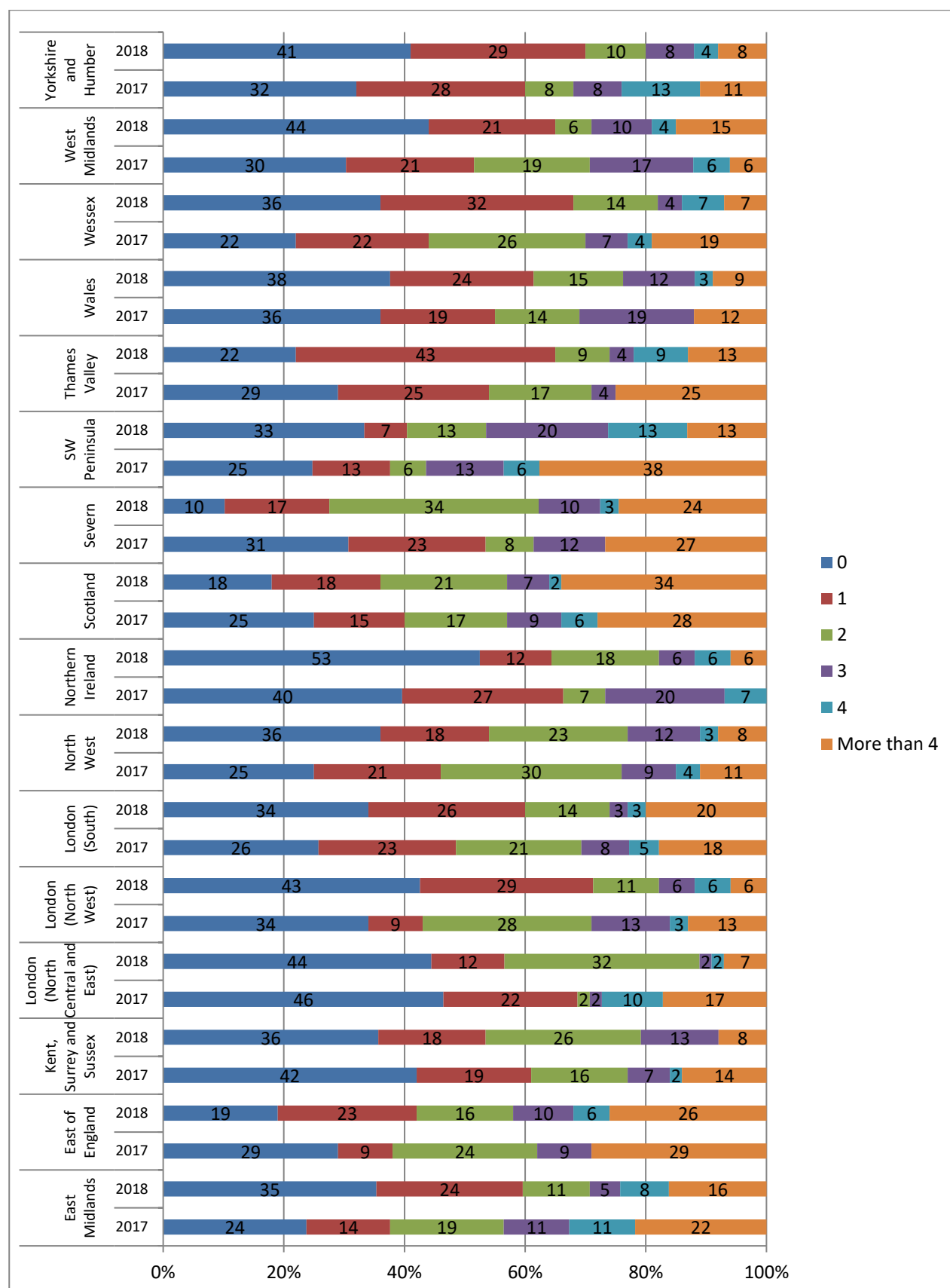
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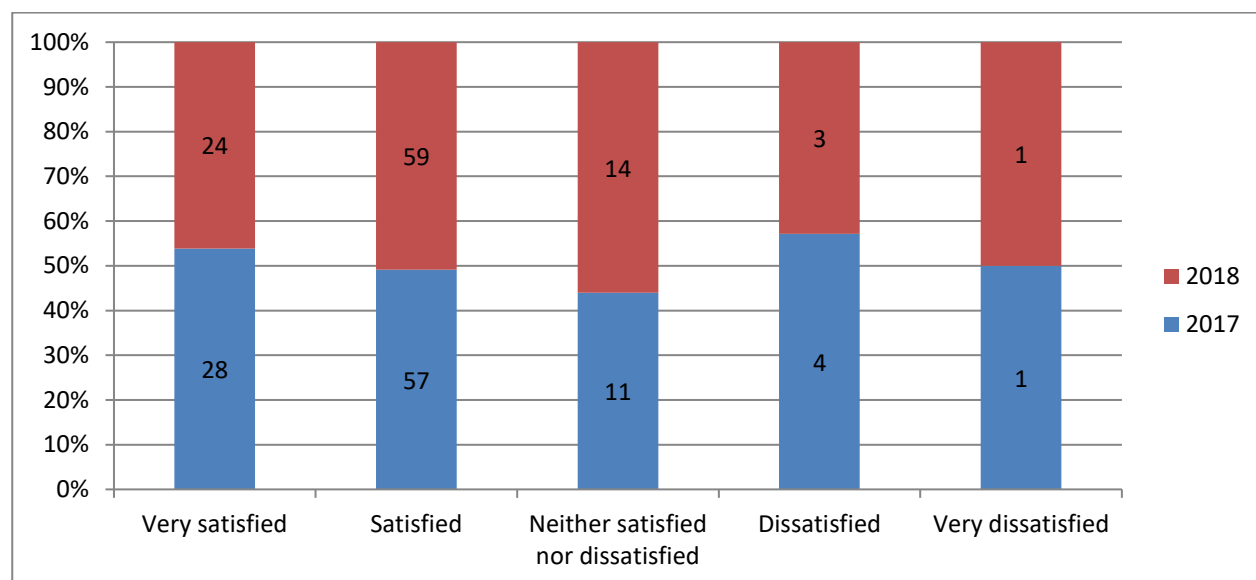




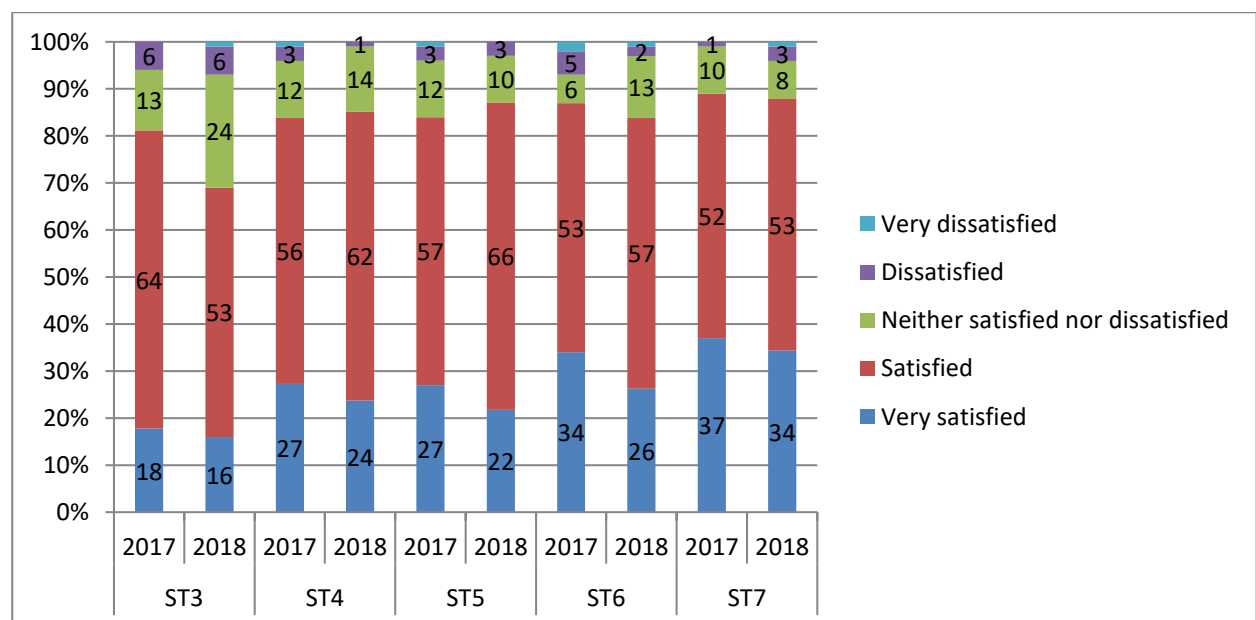
## 9) Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with your training in Geriatric Medicine?

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