

OPA survey of PAIG members

What you told us and what we're doing about it

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Survey background

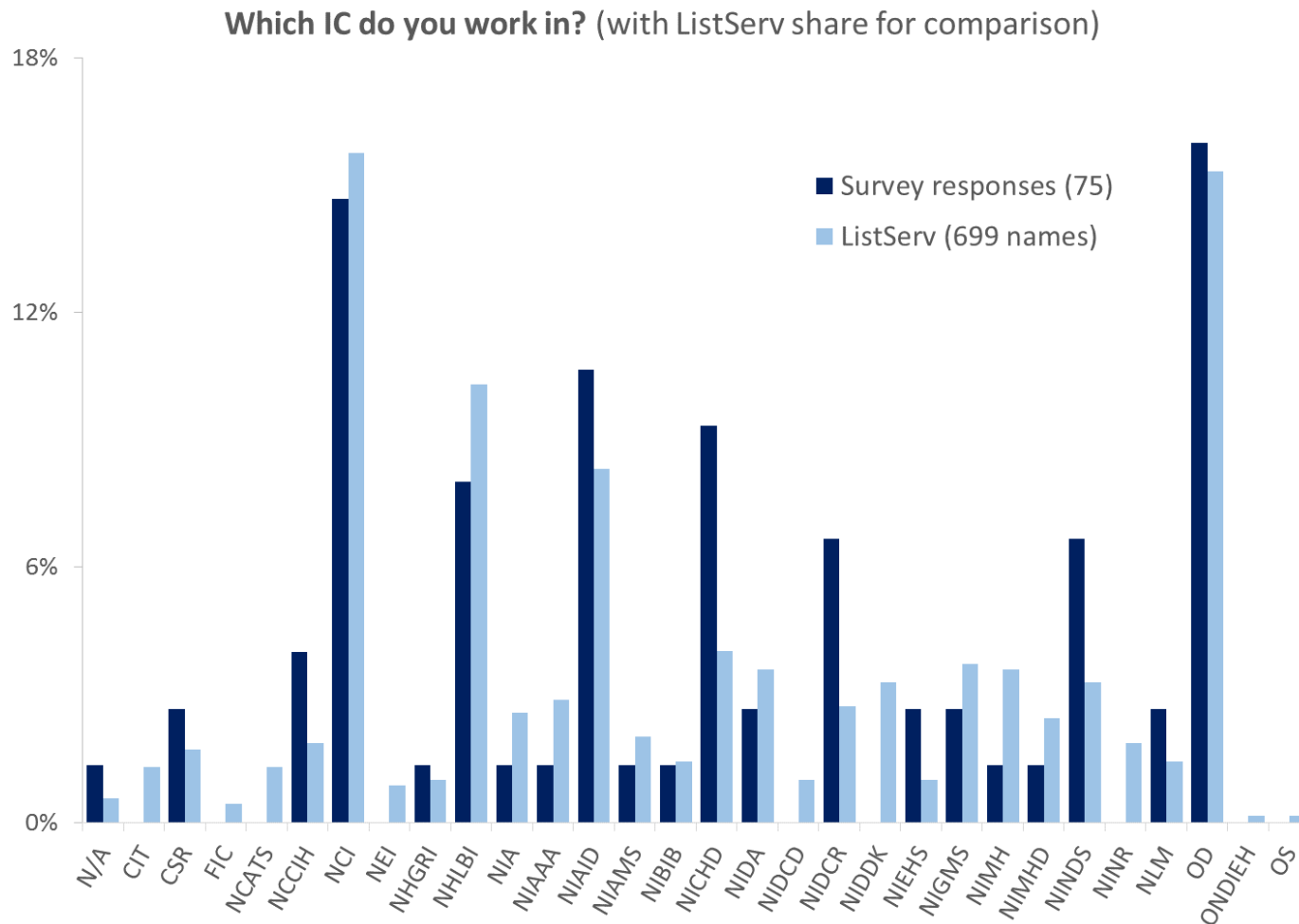
- OPA already receive feedback from PA community:
 - Attendees at training courses
 - PA Symposium
 - Consultations
 - Office Hours
 - PAIG
- **Aim:** To seek further input into revamping of PA training
- Also use opportunity to obtain feedback on other OPA work and services.
- Areas covered:
 - Respondent information
 - PA experience
 - Feedback on OPA work and services including training
 - The future of PA

Survey methodology

- Questionnaire designed in MS Word in Summer / Autumn 2015
- Administered using Survey Monkey
- Some personal background information was requested but it was decided to keep the questionnaire anonymous to encourage respondents to provide feedback
- The PAIG ListServ was used to circulate a link to the Survey Monkey online form.
 - Respondents were given 2 weeks to respond with a reminder sent after one week
 - Survey in field Thursday December 10th 2015 to Thursday December 24th 2015
- Analysis carried out in Survey Monkey and MS Excel

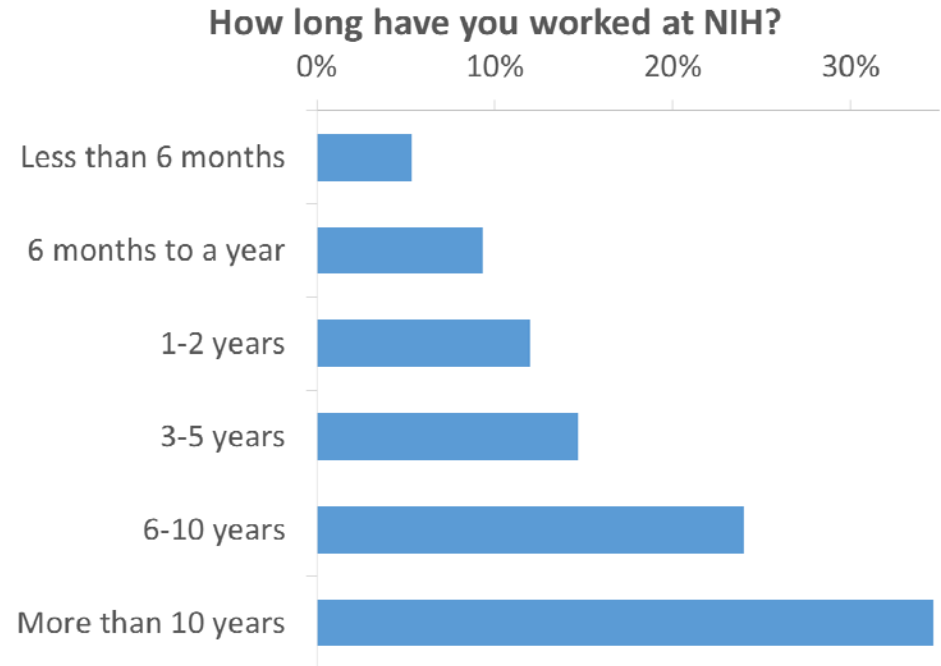
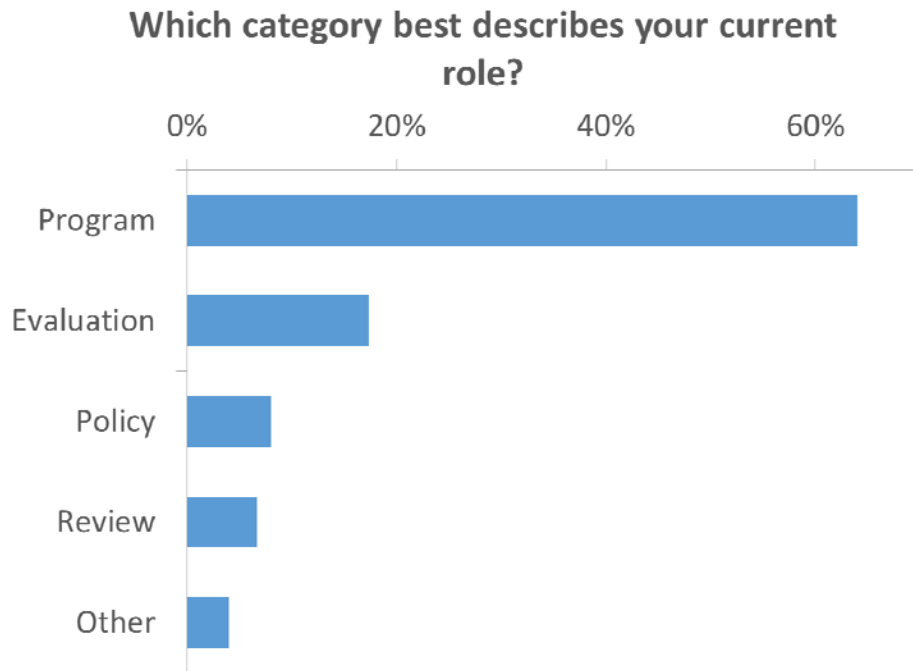
Who responded?

- 75 responses received from 699 addresses on PAIG ListServ.
 - Response rate of 10.7%
- Distribution across ICs similar to PAIG ListServ mailing list



Who responded?

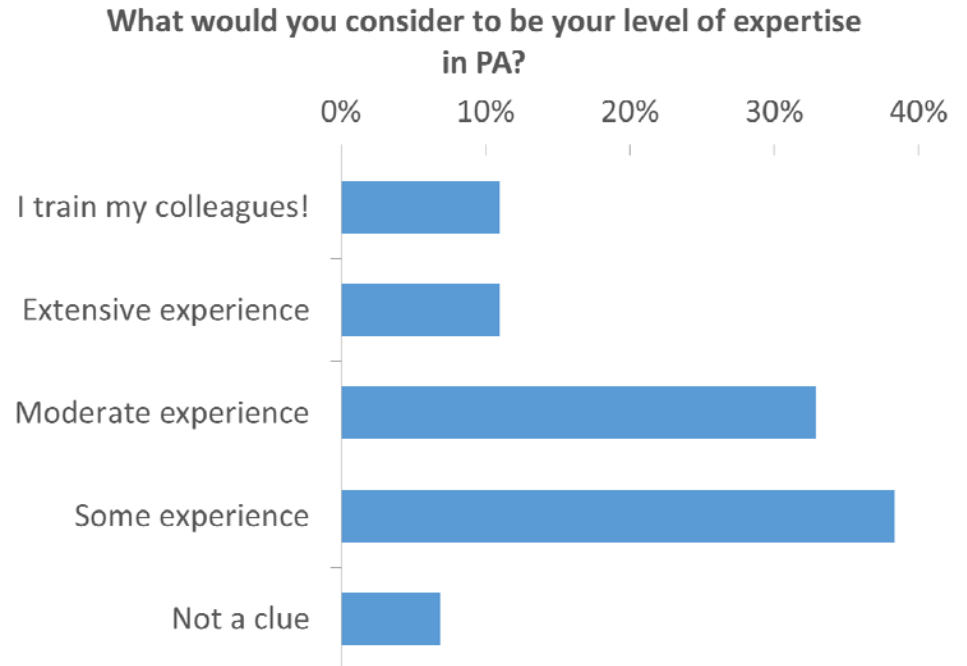
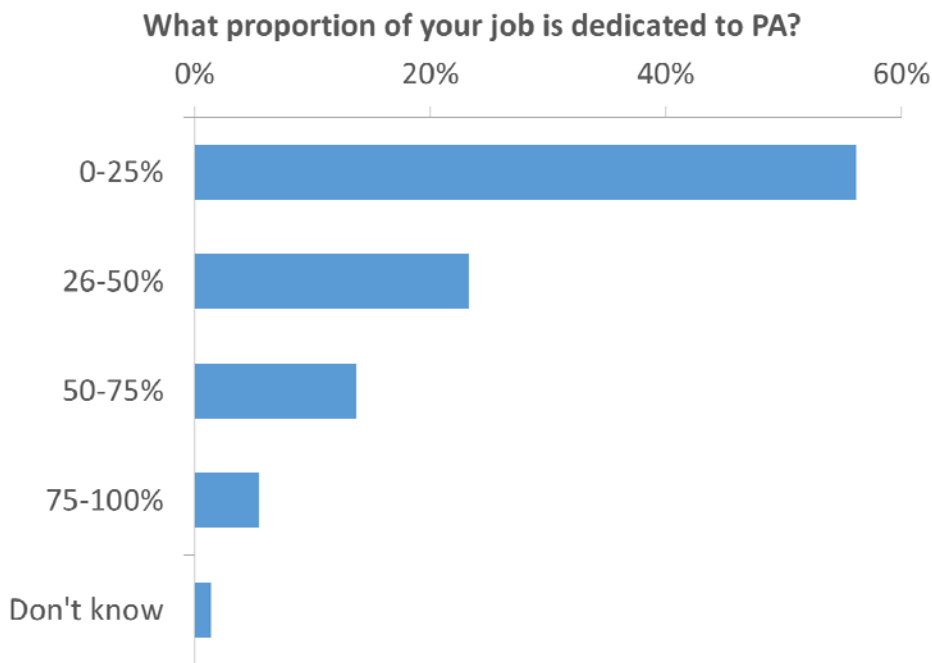
- A third have worked at NIH for more than 10 years
- Almost a quarter have worked at NIH for 6-10 years
- 15% for less than a year



- Majority work in program
- Also responses from policy, review and evaluation.
- Other includes IT, PA and HAS

Portfolio Analysis experience

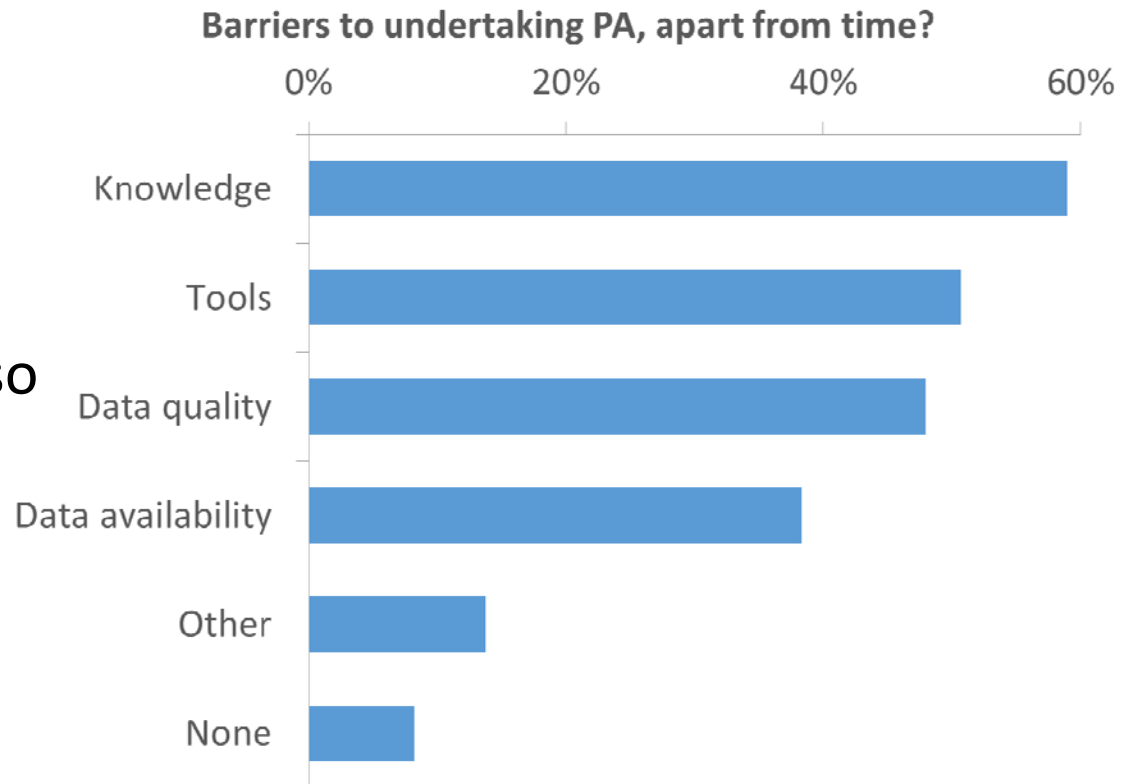
- Most people reported some or moderate experience
- 7% don't have a clue...



- Most people spend less than a quarter of their time on PA.
- Only 5% reported spending 75% to 100% of their time on PA.

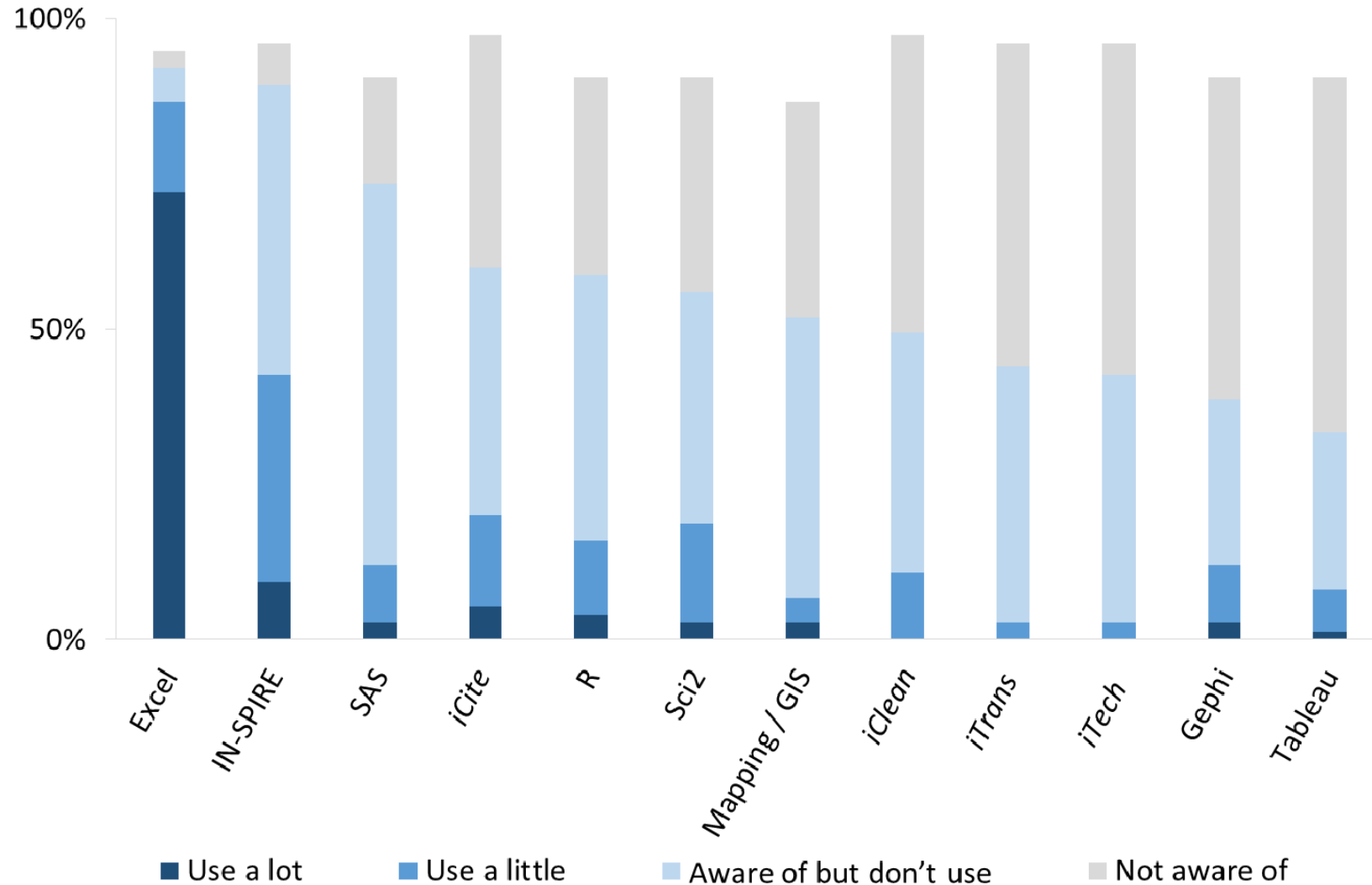
Portfolio Analysis barriers

- Knowledge ranked highest (58%)
- Tools and data also important (50% and 48% respectively)
- Time and resources also mentioned despite question wording



Use of PA software / tools

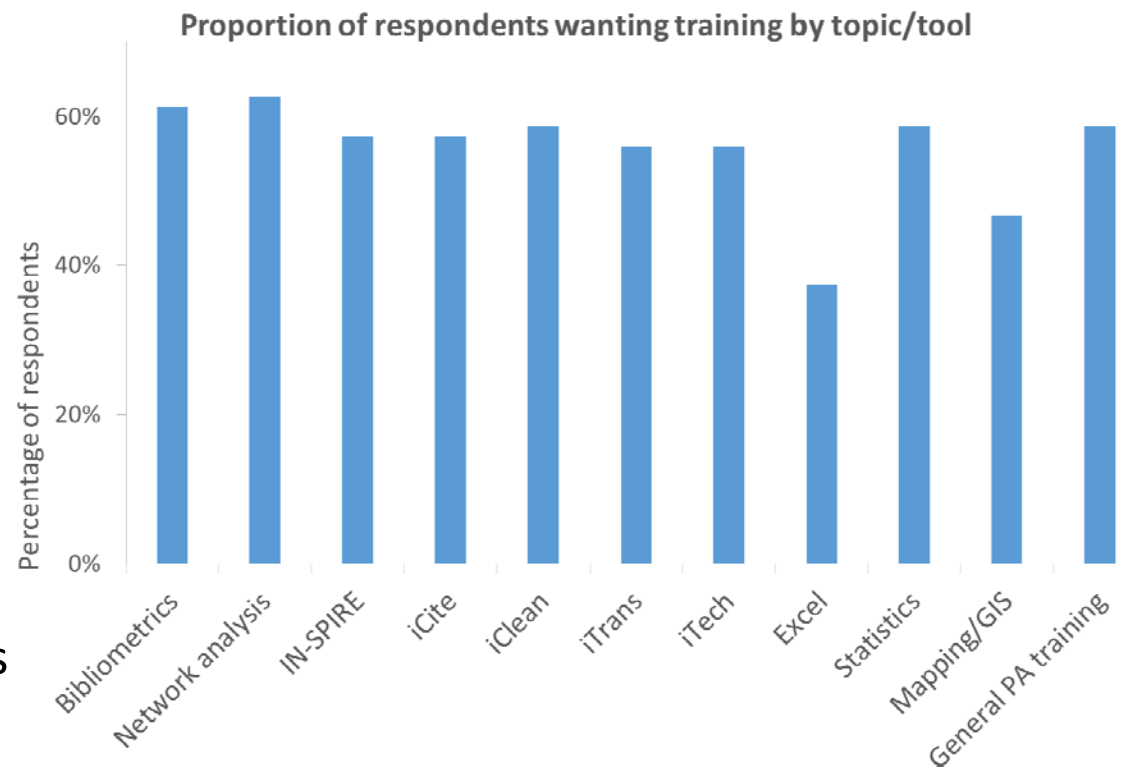
Question 8 and 11: Awareness and use of Portfolio Analysis Tools



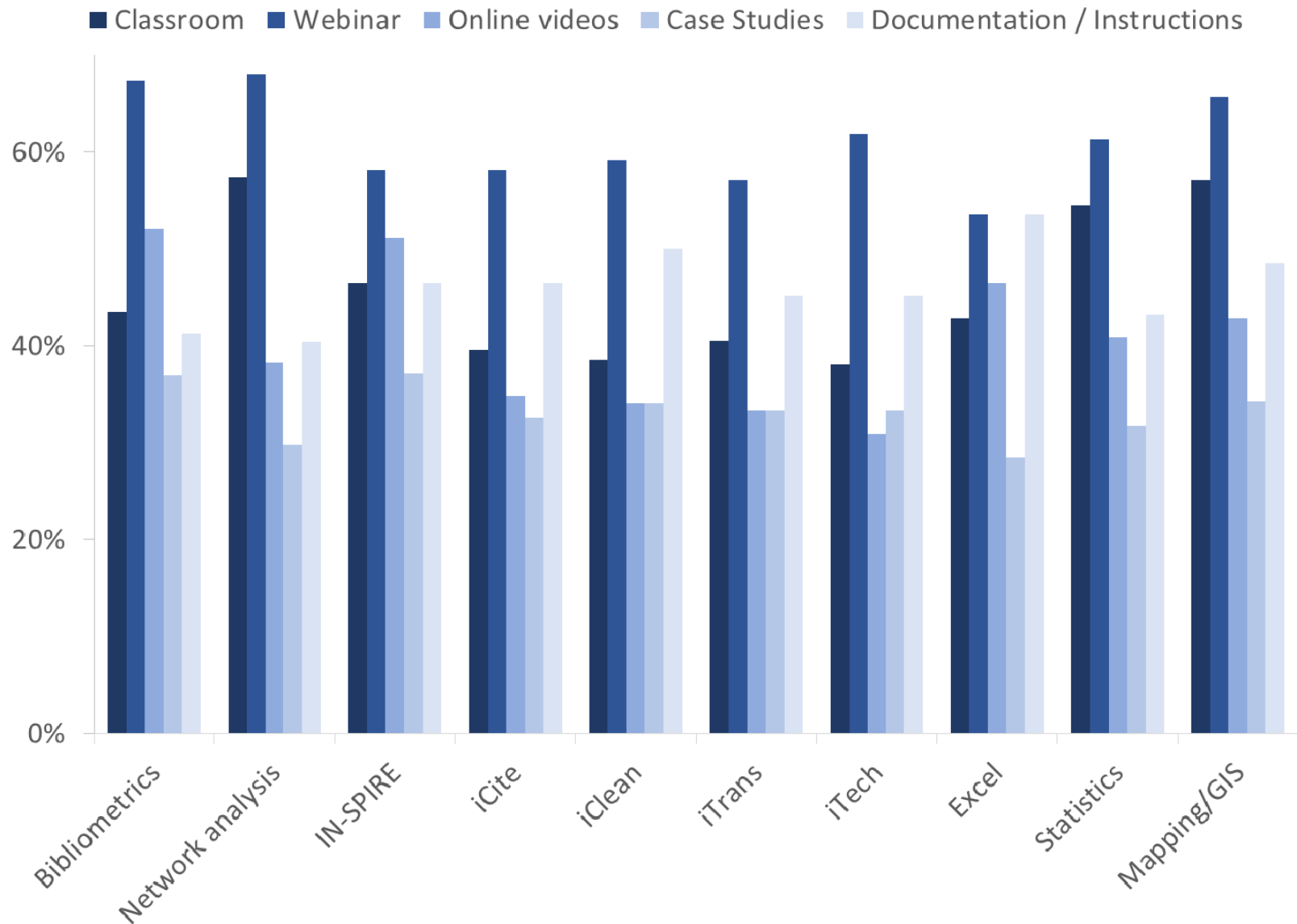
Note: columns do not add to 100% as some respondents didn't provide an answer for each tool.

Training: Topics of interest

- Over three quarters have attended PA101
- 60% have attended IN-SPIRE introduction
- 17% aware of training courses but not attended
- Interest in existing and new courses
 - Particularly Bibliometrics and Networks
- Also interest in general PA skills

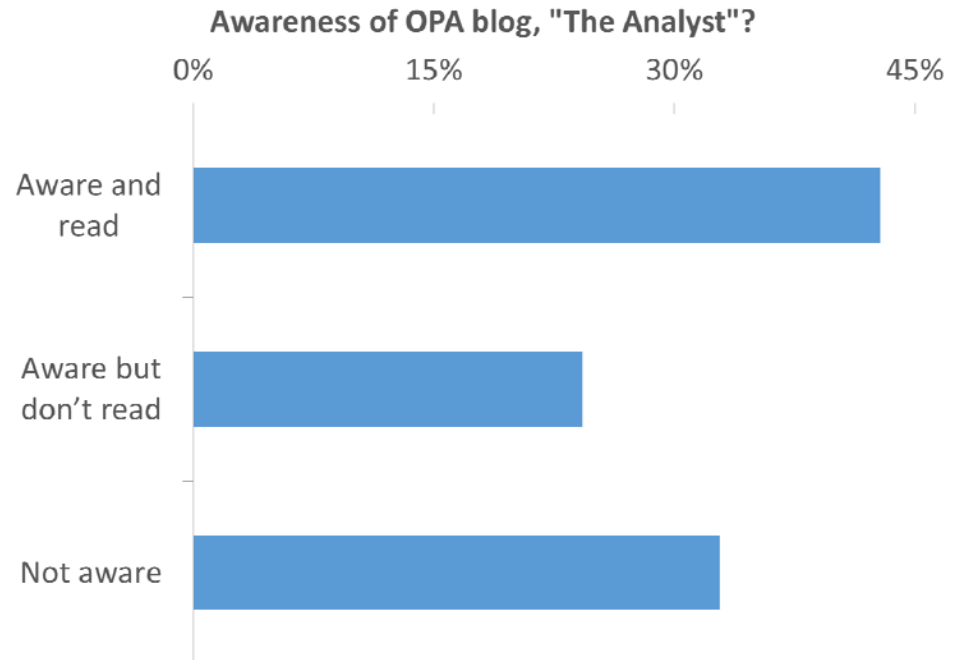
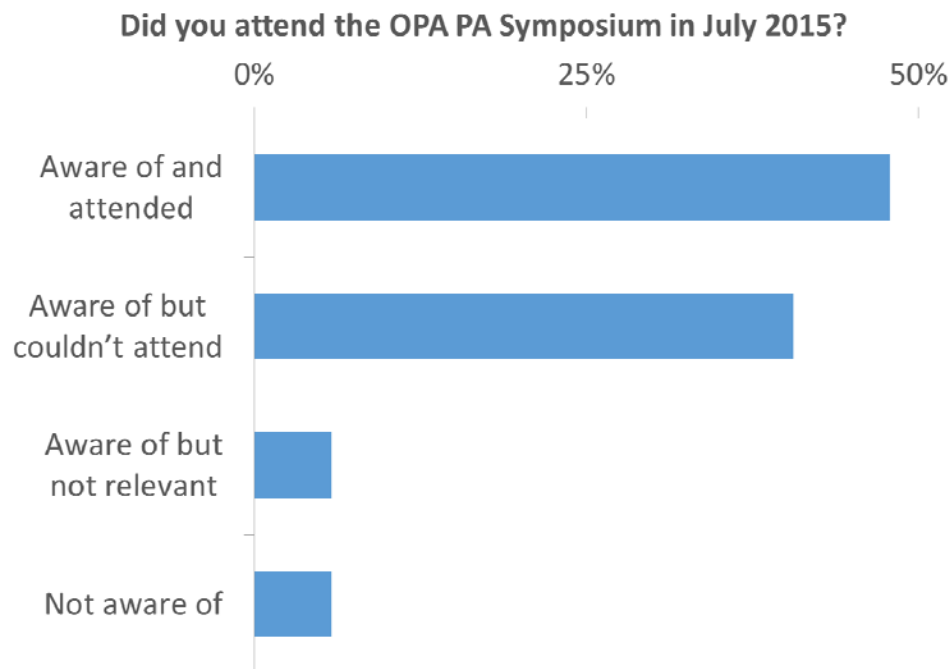


Training: Type of training wanted



OPA blog and Symposium

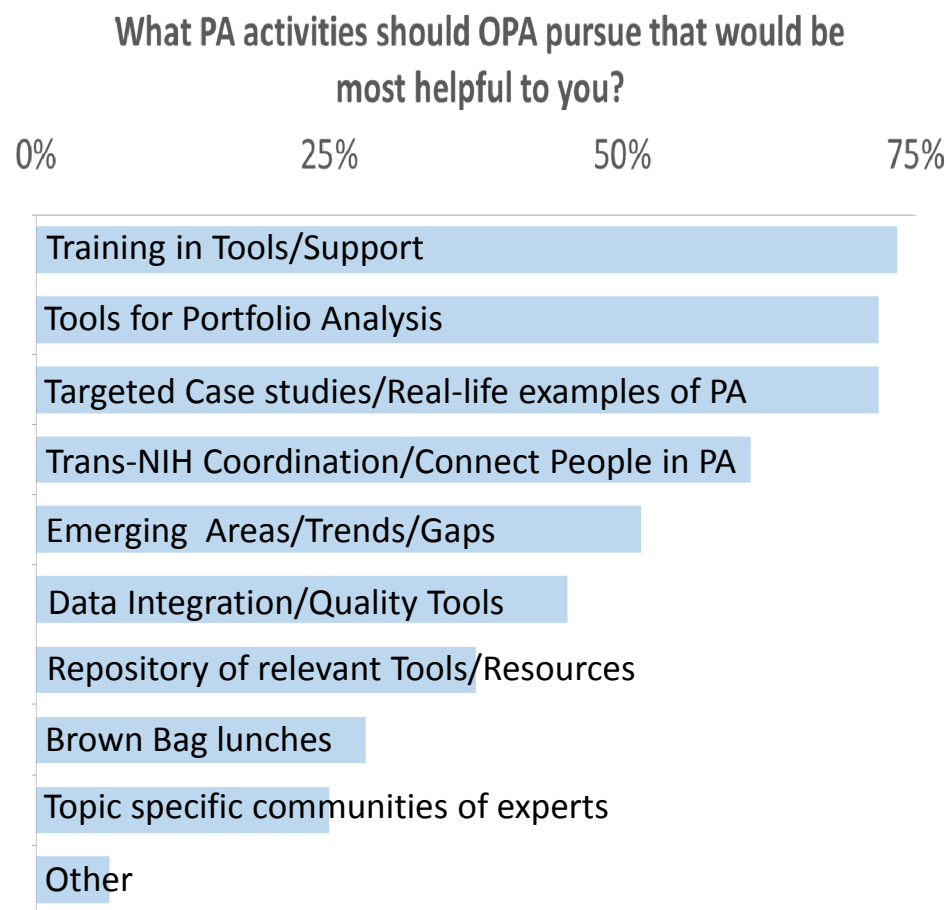
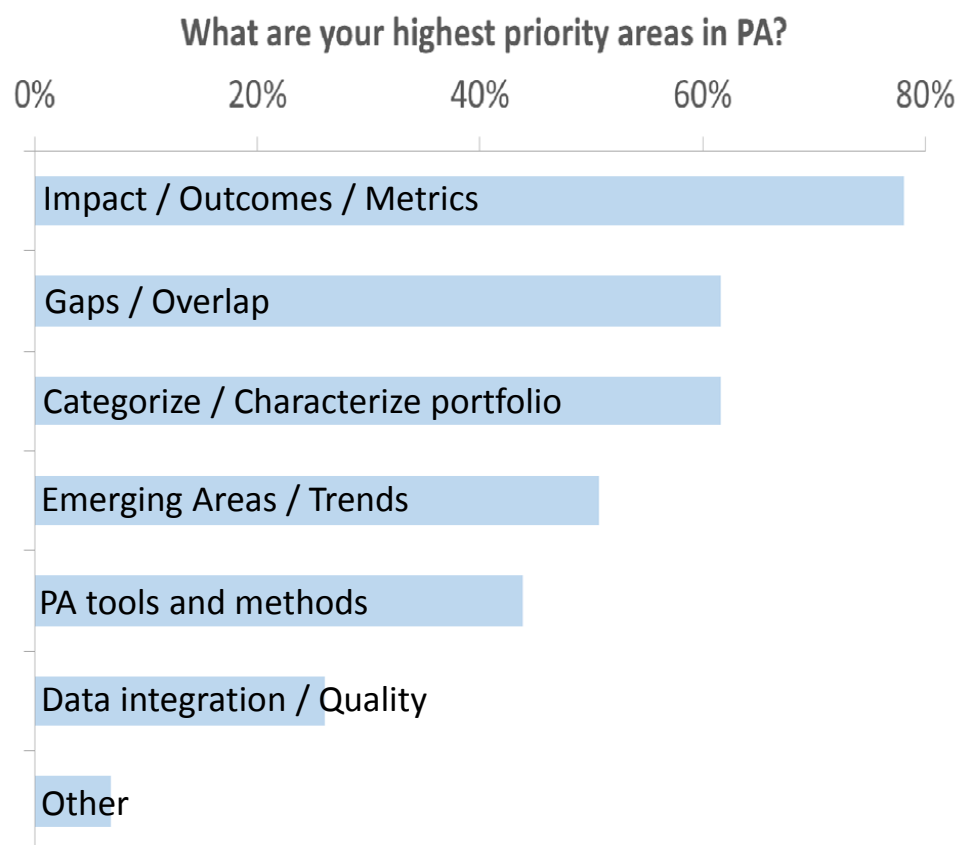
- 43% aware and read
- A third unaware



- Good awareness of symposium (94%)
- Almost half attended
- Next symposium – March 17th 2017

Priority areas

- Good fit with existing OPA priorities and work



Actions for OPA

- Continue revamp OPA training program
 - Add videos and case studies to OPA training website
 - Consider inclusion of PA focused excel, statistics and econometrics
 - Publicize consultations, office hours and IC specific training
- Tools
 - Promote availability of tools as they become available (and for beta testing)
 - Add side by side option to OPA word cloud tool and promote
 - Text cleaning / pre-processing (*iClean*)
- PAIG / Symposium
 - Add details of organizing committee / process for next Symposium to website
- Further engagement
 - Continue existing engagement
 - Possible focus groups
 - Carry out similar questionnaire in December

Things to look out for...

- Launch of new *iTools*
- Next OPA PA Symposium March 17th 2017
- New OPA Training portal
 - Course bookings
 - PA Excel tips
 - On-line Network Analysis course
 - Case studies (Summer 2016)
 - including IC case studies?
- Office Hours

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Discussion / questions / thoughts?

- Areas of priority in PA?
- OPA priorities?
- Training?
 - IC case studies (useful? Volunteers?)
 - Broader PA training?
- Any other comments?

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