

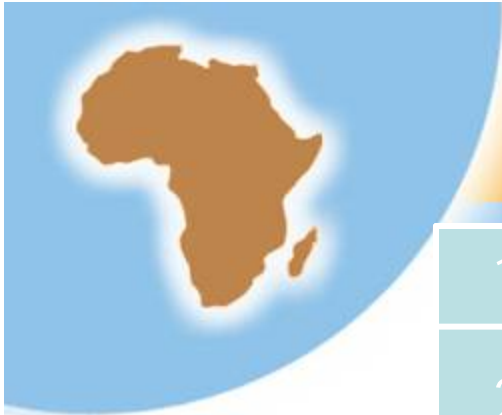
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Lighting Africa Market Assessment Results

Quantitative Assessment - KENYA





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Background



The World Bank Group (WBG) required information to aid manufacturers to **develop, fine tune or simply launch** as they are, **low cost lighting products** to off-grid urban and rural consumers within a variety of African countries.

As such, the main objective of the research was to provide information in terms of the **suitability of different types of lighting products** in the African market, as well as quantifying the approximate size of the potential market in volume and value terms for appropriate lighting products, and providing other information of use to manufacturers





Research Objectives

Interviews focused on answering these questions:

Who is the consumer?

- Consumer Demographics and Characteristics

How does the consumer use light?

- Current Lighting Habits, Attitudes, Preferences, and Needs

What does the consumer need?

- Assessment of Need for Modern Lighting

Which modern lighting products does the consumer prefer? Lighting Product Preferences (e.g. product performance, specific design)

How much is the consumer willing to pay?

- Consumer Economics (e.g. optimum price and capacity to pay for lighting)





Household

- 1000 households, representative sample conducted in Nairobi, Eastern, Coast, Western, Nyanza, Central and Rift Valley
- Interviewed main (or joint) decision maker regarding household and purchases – i.e. head of household
- Face to face interview using structured questionnaire

Retail Businesses

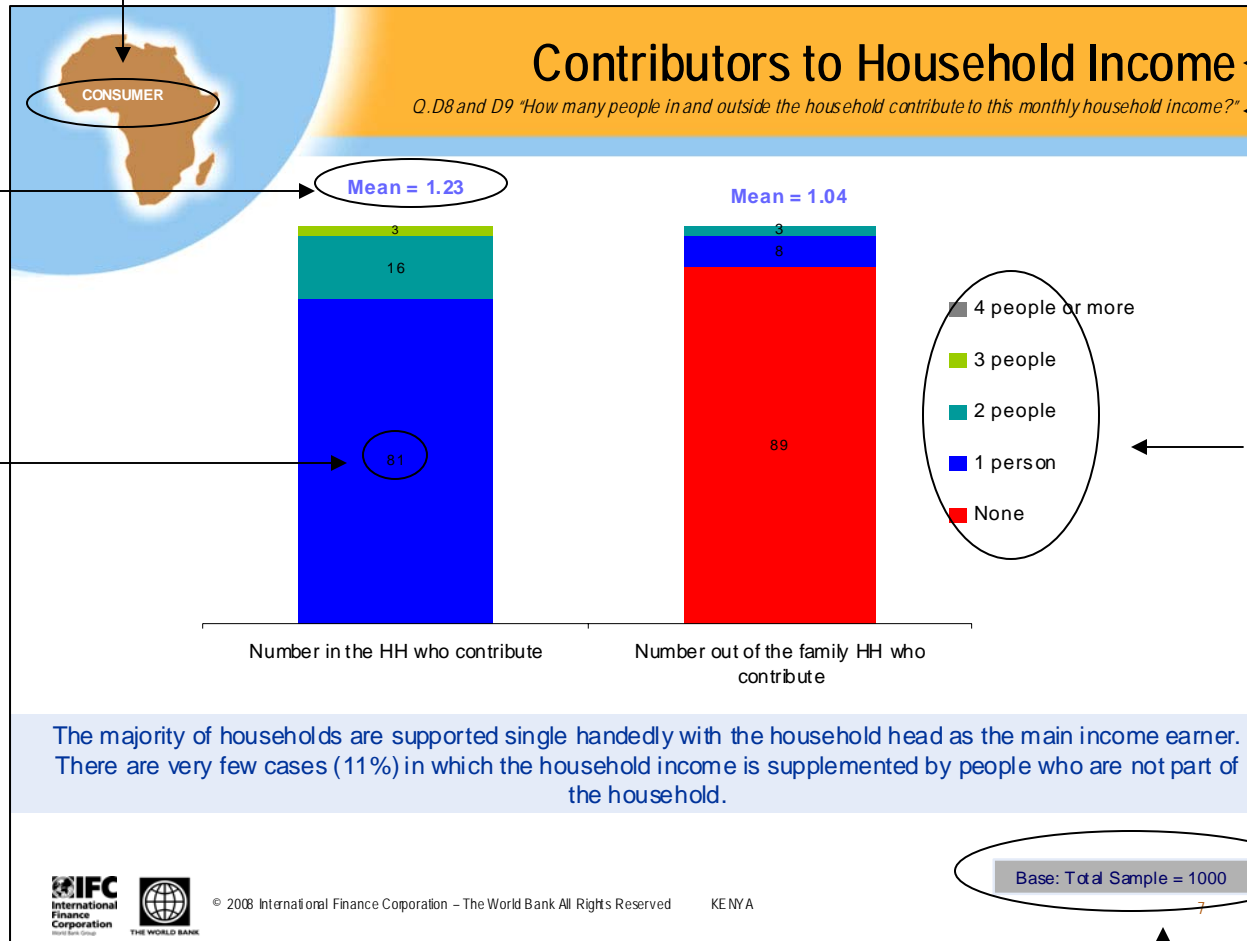
- 400 retail businesses, representative sample conducted in Nairobi, Eastern, Coast, Western, Nyanza, Central and Rift Valley
- Covered retail businesses in informal settlements in urban and rural trading centres
- Interviewed the business owner or manager
- Face to face interview using structured questionnaire

Study conducted by: Research International Social & Public Research Division, based in Nairobi, Kenya

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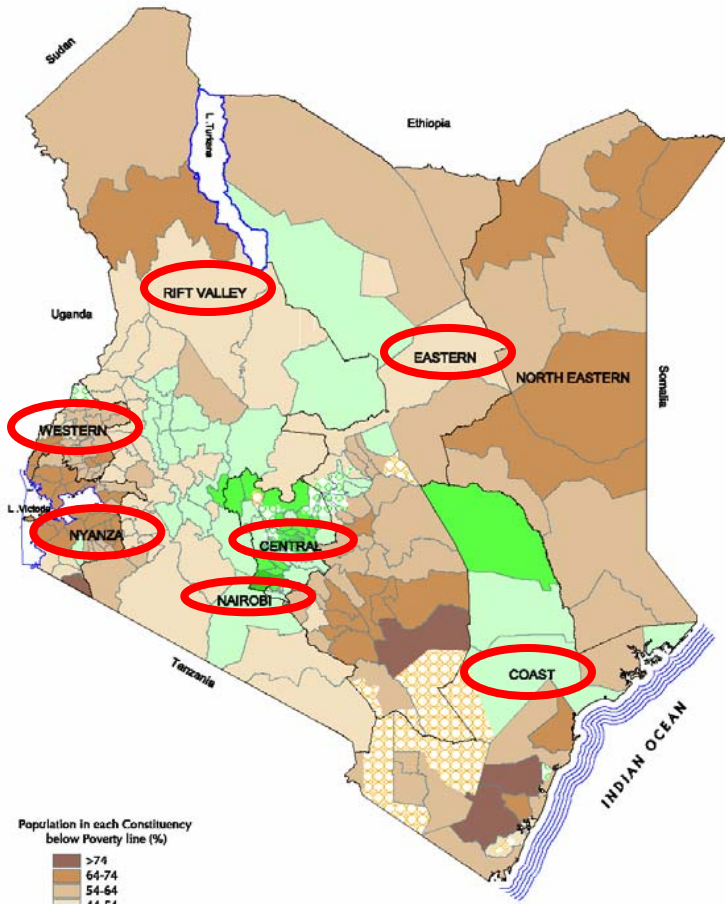
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Kenya: Socio-Economic Environment



| Province | Poverty incidence |
|-------------|-------------------|
| Nyanza | 65% |
| Western | 61% |
| Coast | 58% |
| Eastern | 58% |
| Rift Valley | 48% |
| Nairobi | 44% |
| Central | 31% |

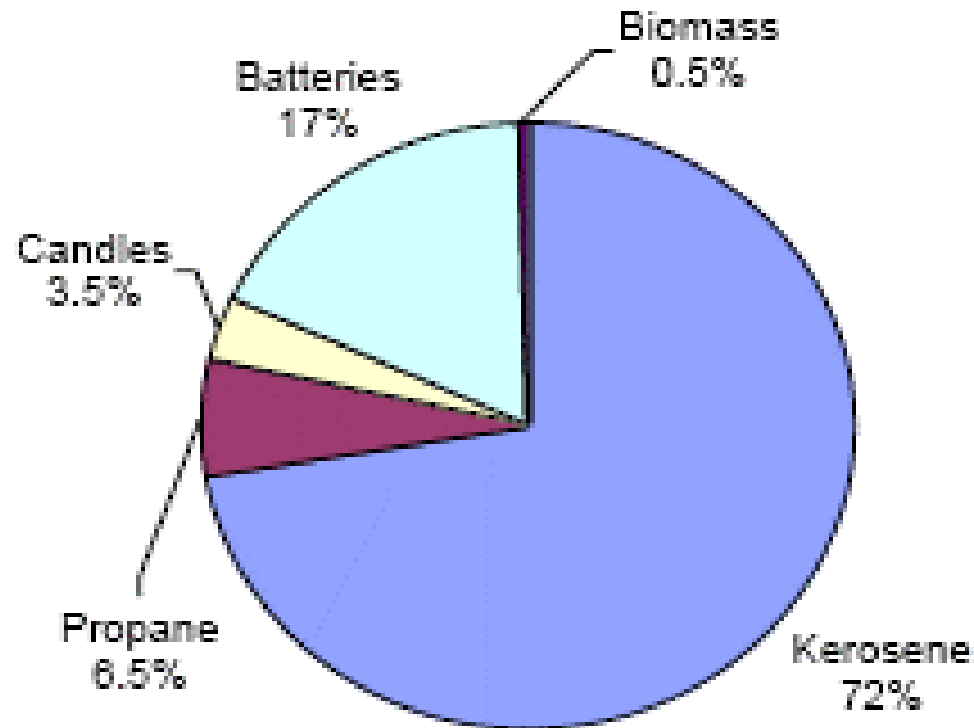
The poverty incidence in Kenya is quite high and spread countrywide with all 7 provinces having over 30% of their population living in poverty.

Majority of Kenyans are living in poverty and are not connected to the electricity grid. It is thus clear that the Lighting Africa products, will have a wide market in which they can be used



Overall Opportunity in Kenya

Figure ICA-2. Off-Grid Lighting by Source
\$1.4 billion/year (2005)



With the amount spent on Bio-mass lighting fuels close to 1.4 billion USD a year, the opportunity for modern and environmentally friendly lighting devices within Kenya is substantial

Pre- Study Source: Internet

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RESPONDENT PROFILE

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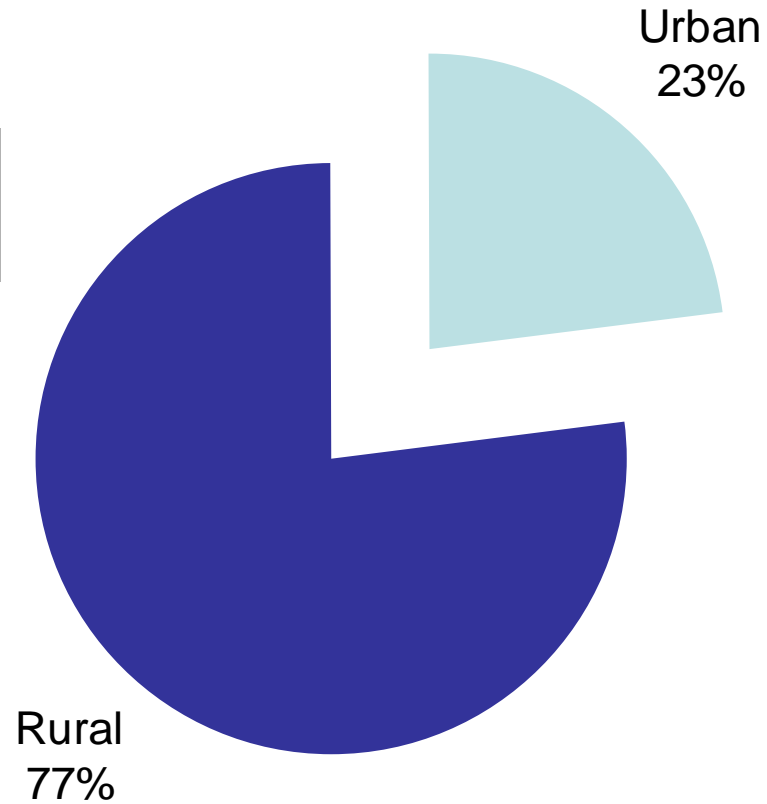
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Rural vs. Urban Sample Distribution

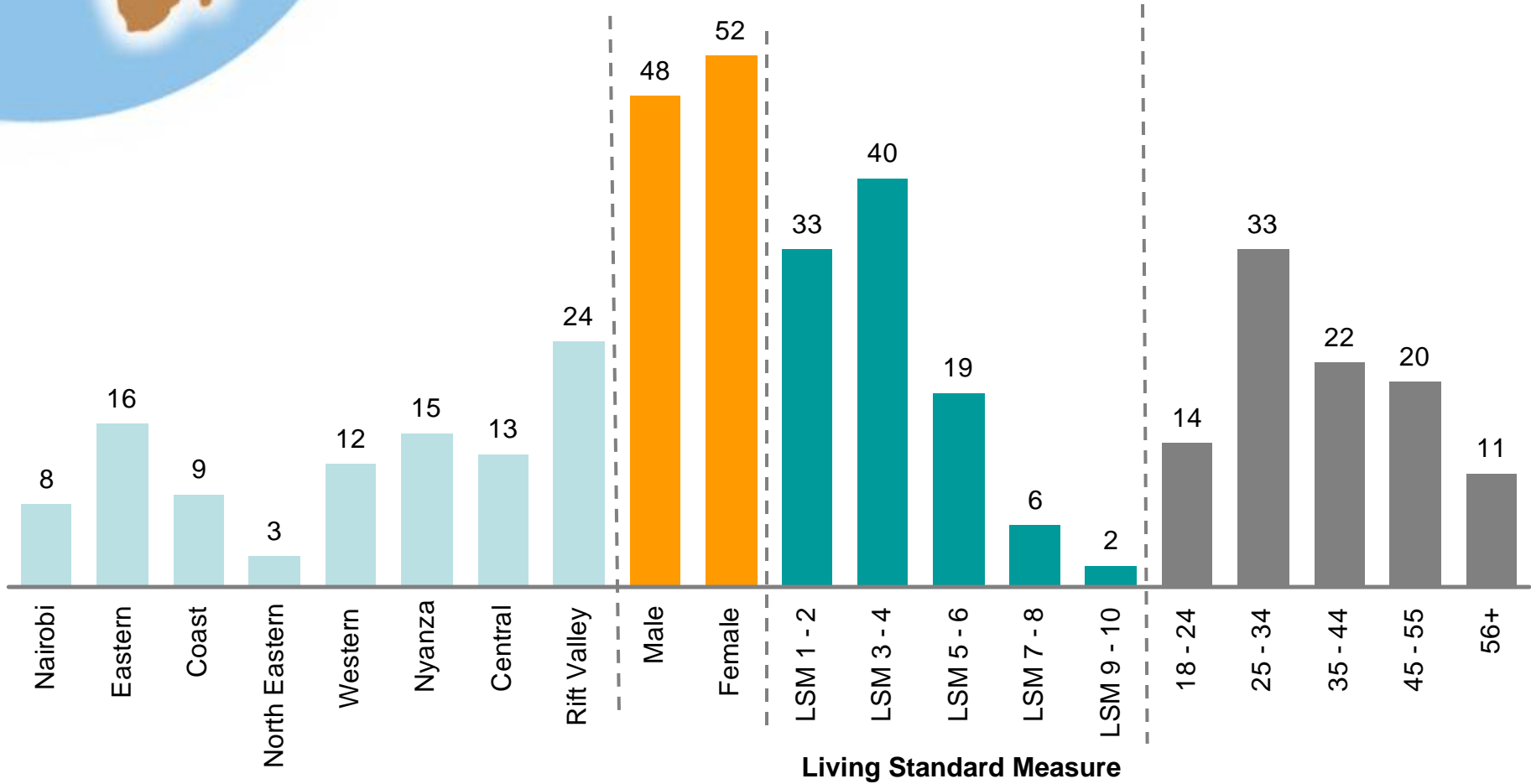
The urban vs. rural sample was split in line with the national distribution of the Kenyan population



Base :Total sample = 1000



Respondent Demographic Profile



Base: Total Sample = 1000





Observations about Consumer Households

Base: Total Sample = 1000

| Colour of the room in the main dwelling | % |
|---|----|
| White or Bright colour | 21 |
| Brown/ natural clay/dark clay | 50 |
| Other clay | 11 |
| Not observed | 19 |

| Dwelling environment | % |
|-------------------------------|----|
| Planned urban centre | 5 |
| Unplanned/informal settlement | 18 |
| Rural –planned settlement | 9 |
| Rural - other | 68 |

| Wall Material of Dwelling | % |
|---------------------------|----|
| Mud/mud bricks | 46 |
| Wood planks | 19 |
| Bricks or stone | 24 |
| Corrugated Iron | 11 |

| Size of the main room | % |
|---------------------------|----|
| 3 Square meters or less | 41 |
| 3.1 – 8 Square meters | 40 |
| More than 8 Square meters | 19 |

| Roof Material of the dwelling | % |
|-------------------------------|----|
| Grass or other thatch | 11 |
| Corrugated iron | 88 |
| Tiles | 1 |

| Type of road near dwelling | % |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Tarmac | 13 |
| Murram or rough road | 61 |
| Pathway (no vehicle access) | 26 |

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Rural vs. Urban Sample Distribution

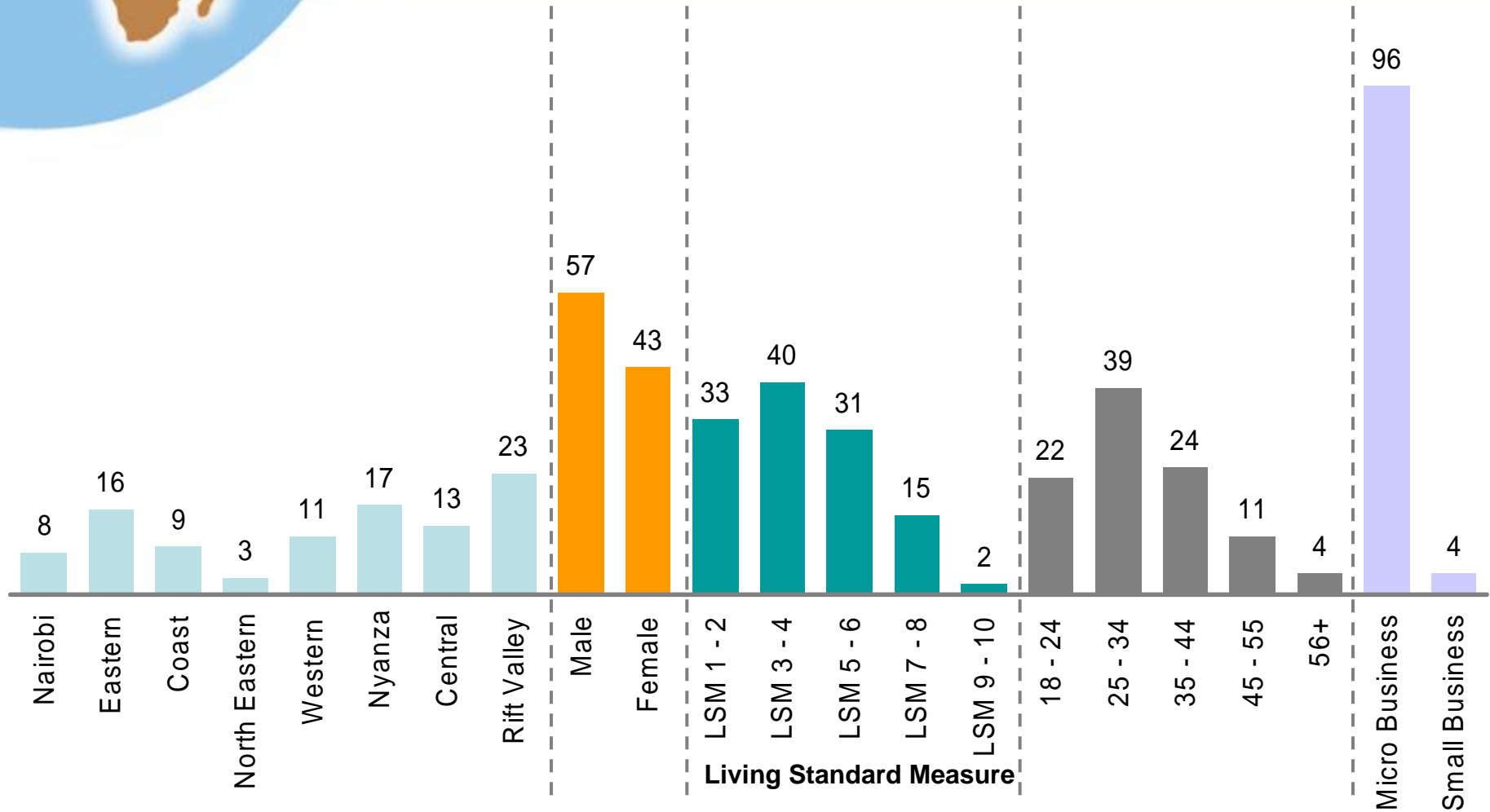
The urban vs. rural sample was split in line with the national distribution of Kenyan small business'



Base :Total sample = 400



Respondent Demographic Profile: Traders



Base: Total Sample = 400



Observations about Business Premises

Base: Total Sample = 400

| Colour of the walls room in the main business room | % |
|--|----|
| White or Bright colour | 38 |
| Brown/ natural clay/dark clay | 28 |
| Other colour | 16 |
| Not observed | 18 |

| Business environment | % |
|-------------------------------|----|
| Planned urban centre | 16 |
| Unplanned/informal settlement | 16 |
| Rural –planned settlement | 45 |
| Rural - other | 23 |

| Wall Material of Business Structure | % |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Mud/mud bricks | 16 |
| Wood planks | 27 |
| Bricks or stone | 36 |
| Corrugated Iron | 21 |

| Size of the business structure | % |
|--------------------------------|----|
| 3 Square meters or less | 48 |
| 3.1 – 8 Square meters | 38 |
| More than 8 Square meters | 14 |

| Roof Material of the business structure | % |
|---|----|
| Grass or other thatch | 5 |
| Corrugated iron | 93 |
| Tiles | 2 |

| Type of road near business | % |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Tarmac | 39 |
| Murram or rough road | 55 |
| Pathway (no vehicle access) | 6 |

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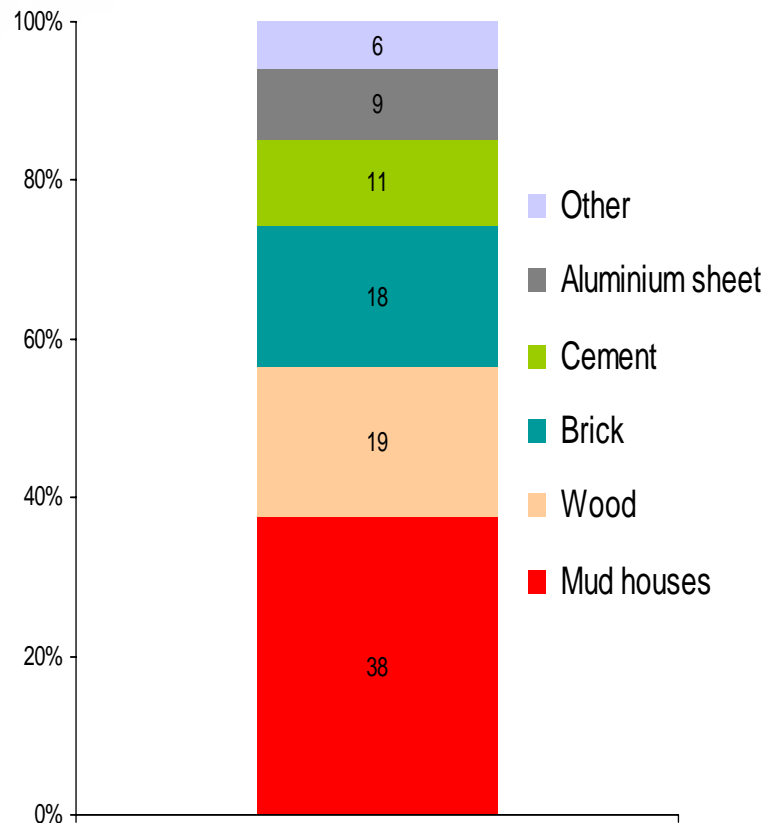


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Dwellings



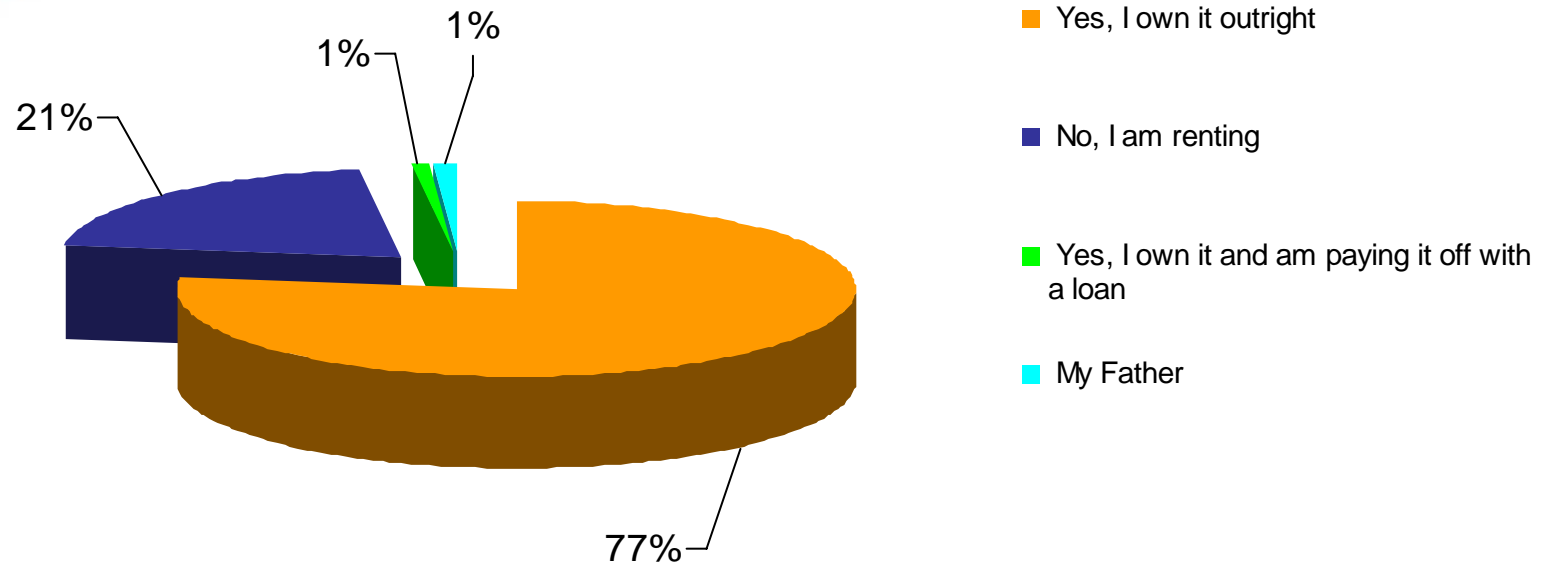
Consumer dwelling units in Kenya are predominantly structures which are built from mud, wood and aluminum. More permanent housing made out of brick only constitutes 18% of all housing types within the interviewed LSM bands.

Base: Total Sample = 1000



Home Ownership

Q. 3b "Do you own the home/residence where you live?"

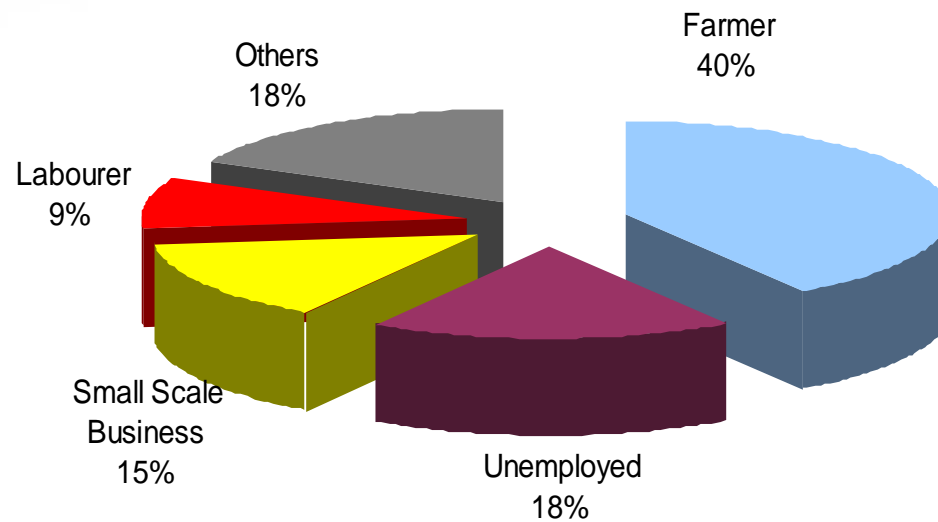


Of the structures in which people live 78% are owned, 21% are rented and 1% of respondents live in their parents' house – home ownership thus being relatively high.

Base: Total Sample = 1000

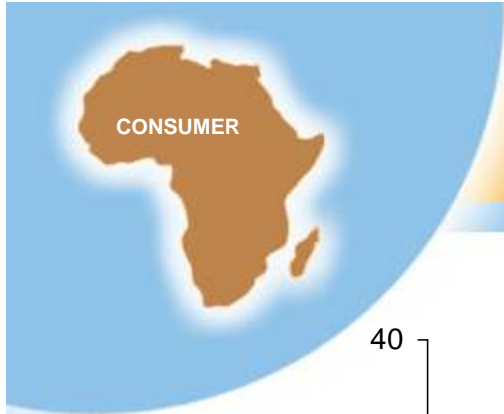
Occupations

Q. D4 "Please can you tell me your occupation?"



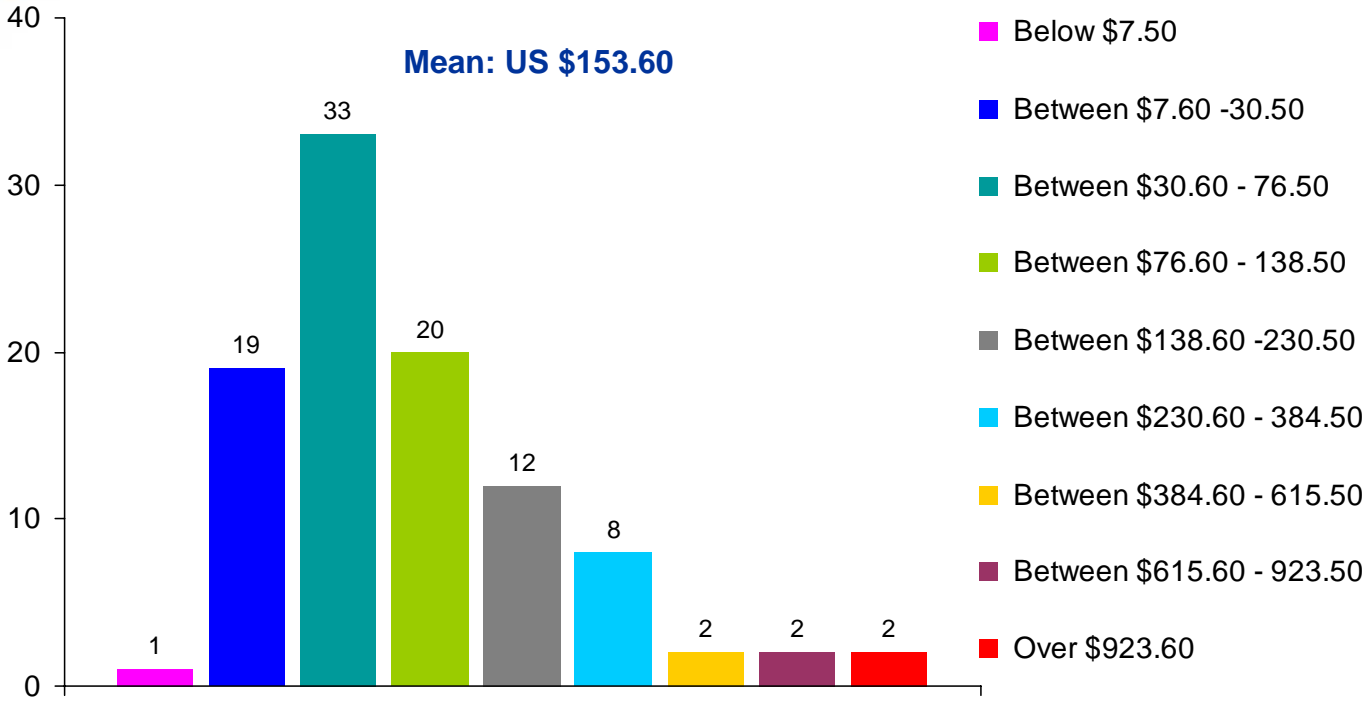
The claimed average monthly income is US \$153.60. Farming is the most common occupation followed by blue collar jobs, such as teaching, security guard, etc.

Base: Total Sample = 1000



Average Kenyan Household Income

Q. D7 "What is the average monthly income of your family?"



Kenyan average monthly income: **US \$153.60** (majority of people with this income fall within the LSM groups 2 and 3).

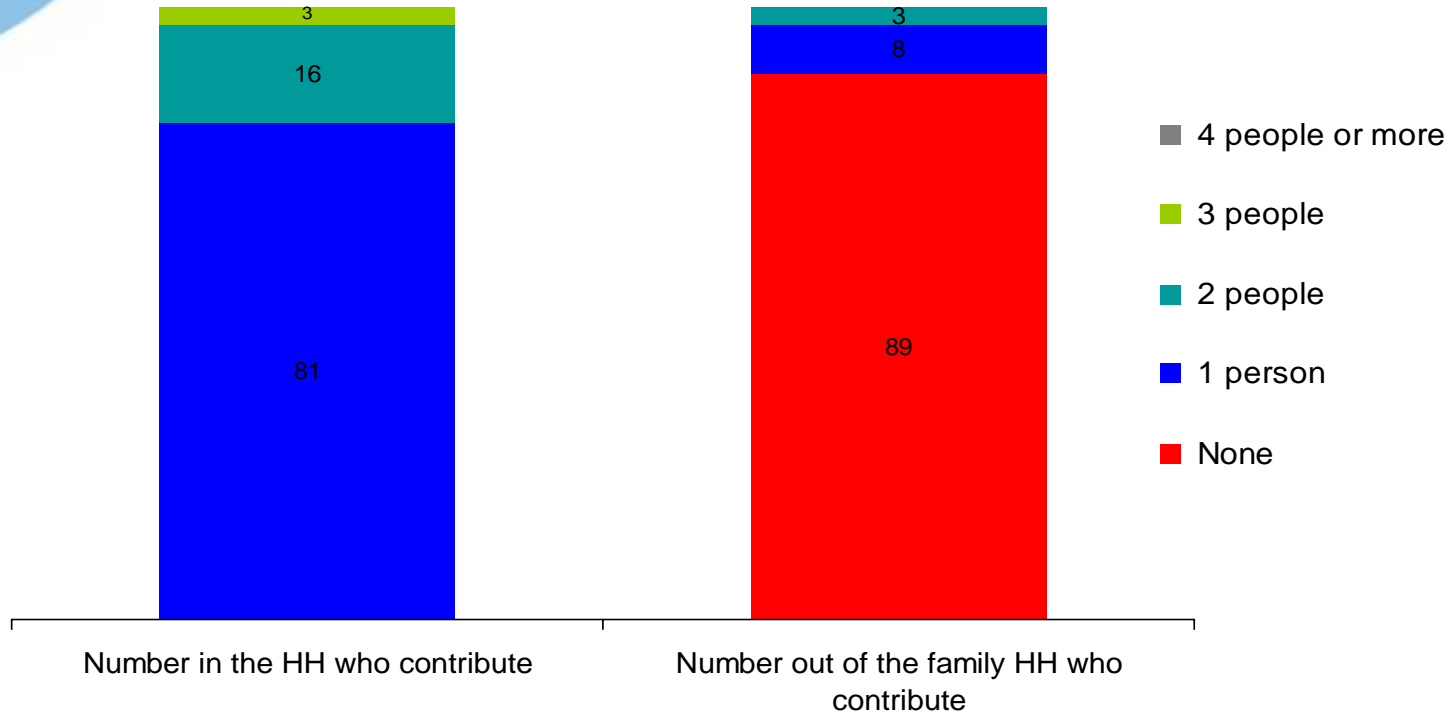


Contributors to Household Income

Q.D8 and D9 "How many people in and outside the household contribute to this monthly household income?"



Mean = 1.23

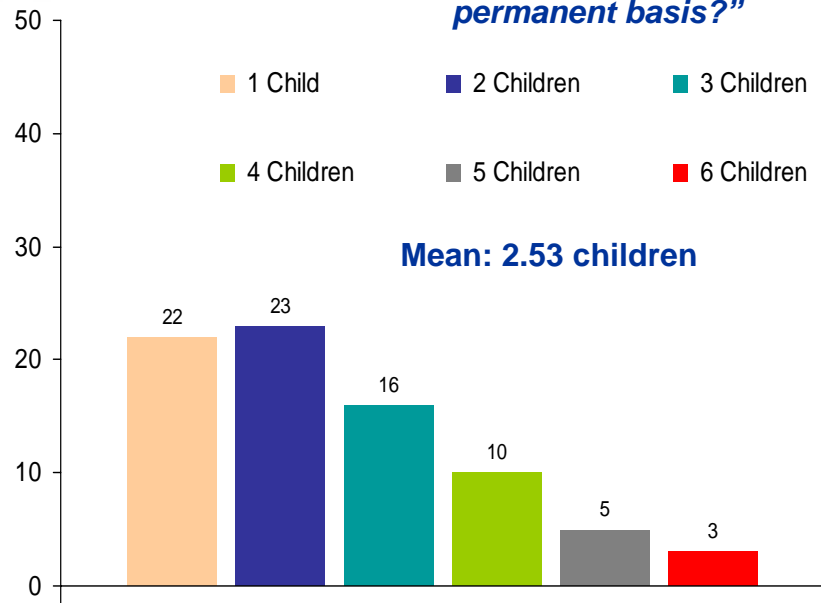


The majority of households are supported single handedly with the household head as the main income earner. There are very few cases (11%) in which the household income is supplemented by people who are not part of the household.

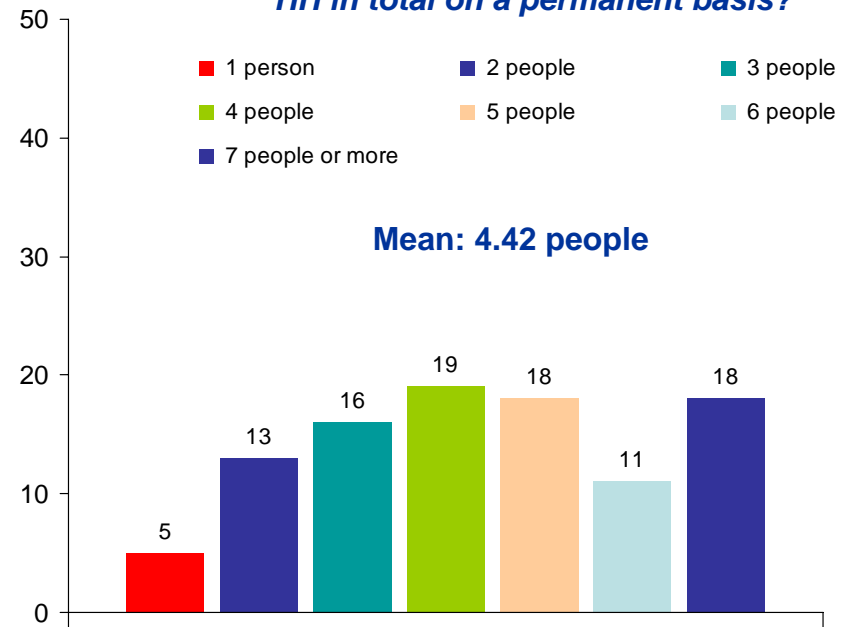


Number of People in the Household

Q.1b “How many children (under 16 years) live in your HH in total on a permanent basis?”



Q.1a “How many people live in your HH in total on a permanent basis?”



In Kenya on average between 4 to 5 people reside in one household permanently, of which there are 2 to 3 children

Base: Total Sample = 1000

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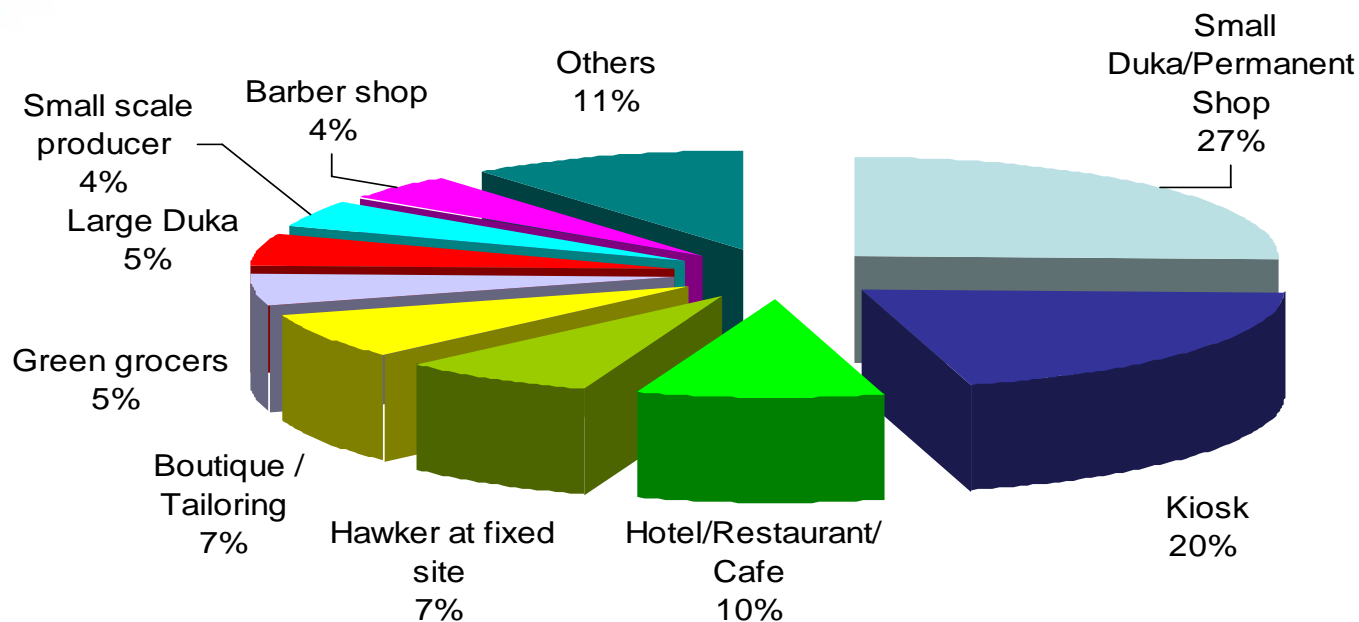
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Types of Shop



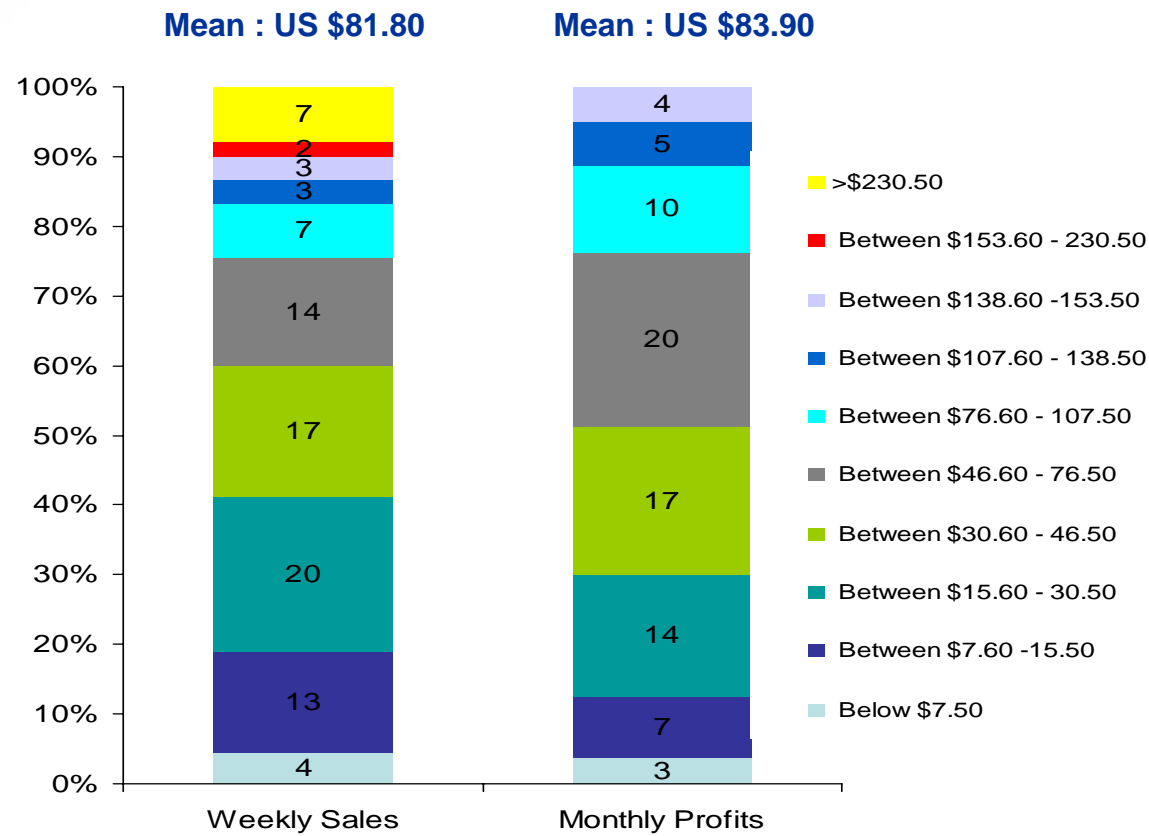
Many of the retail businesses in Kenya are small Permanent shops and Kiosks mostly selling household commodities, food stuffs, fruits and vegetables.

Base: Total Sample = 400

Revenue

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Q. D6 "What are the weekly sales of your business and (Q. D7) approximately what kind of profit does your business make per month?"

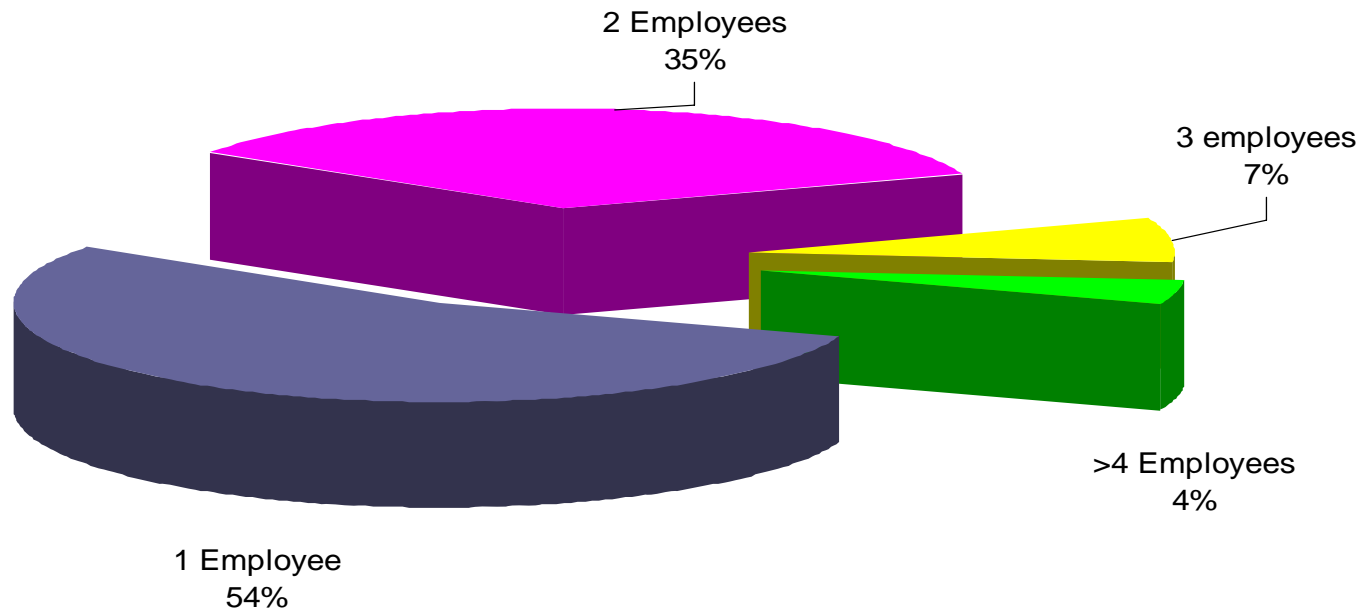


Small scale businesses in Kenya are struggling to survive with about 20% of them making weekly sales of between US \$15.60 and US \$46.50. An average business sells US \$81.80 in a week, making profit of almost US\$22 (83.90/4) weekly



Number of Employees who Work in the Business

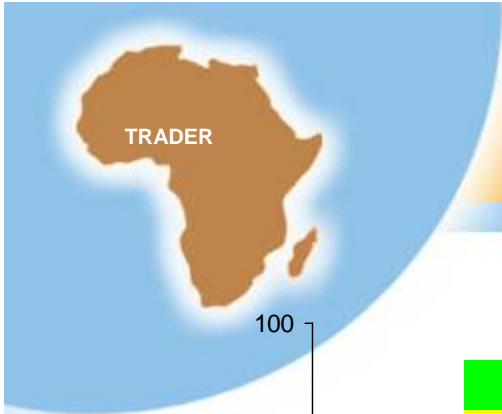
Q. 1 "How many people work here either on casual or permanent basis?"



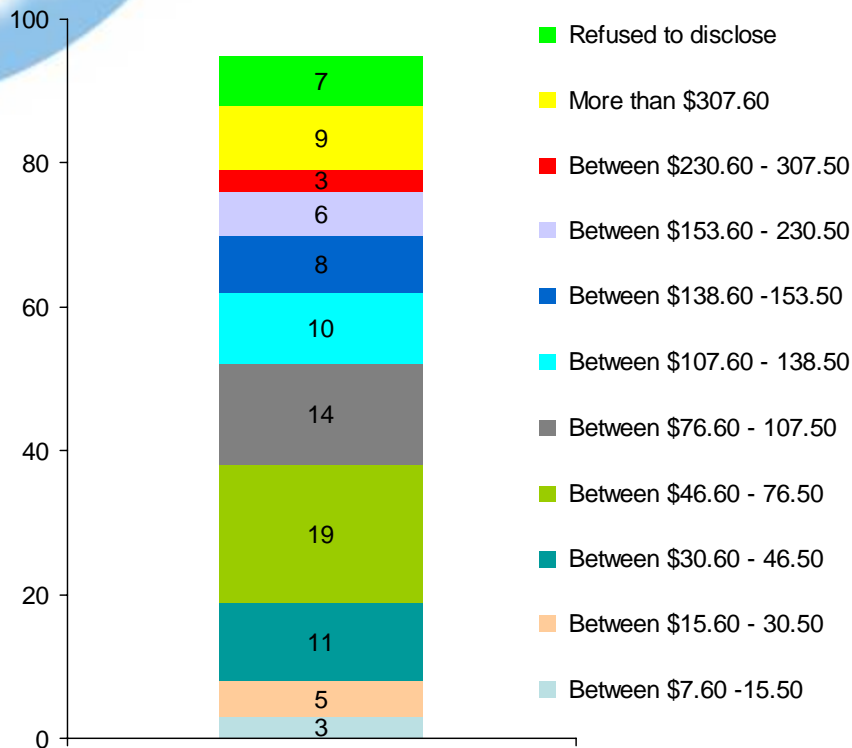
54% of businesses are sole proprietorships. These are usually run by the shop owners with family members stepping in to help when the owner is away. Only about 1 in every 3 businesses has more than 1 employee.

Monthly Income

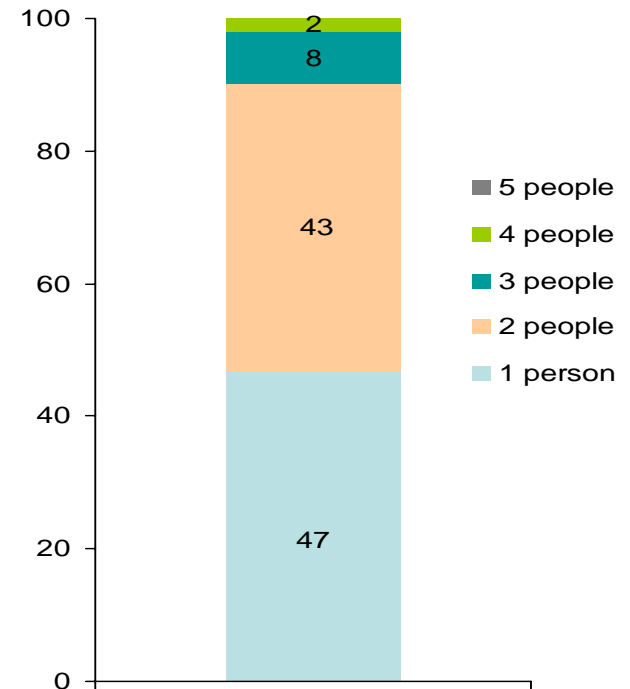
Q.D4 "What is the average monthly income of your family?" Q.D5 "How many people in the HH contribute to this monthly HH income?"



Mean : US \$146.50



Mean : 2 people



These small scale business people earn a mean income of US \$146.50 a month. With the business owner making a profit of on average US \$ 83,90 it is clear that in many cases the spouse or another member of the family supplements the household's income

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ELECTRICITY CONSUMPTION HABITS



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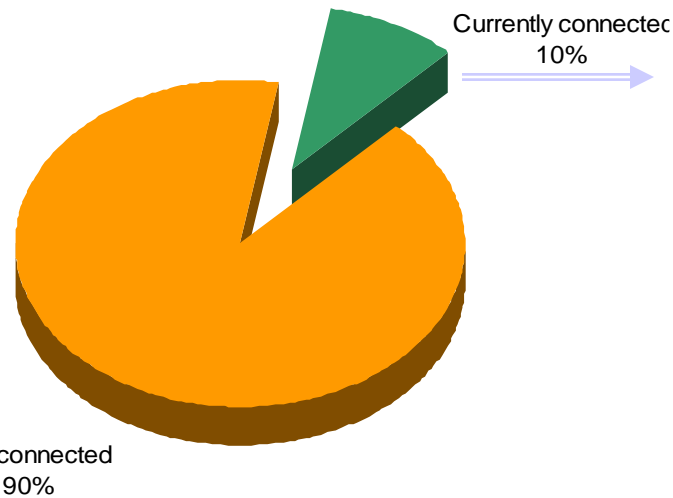
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Connection to Main Power Grid

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Q.6 "Is your household currently connected to the main power grid?"



Q. 7 "Is the electricity currently working?"

Base = 100

Yes

96

No

4

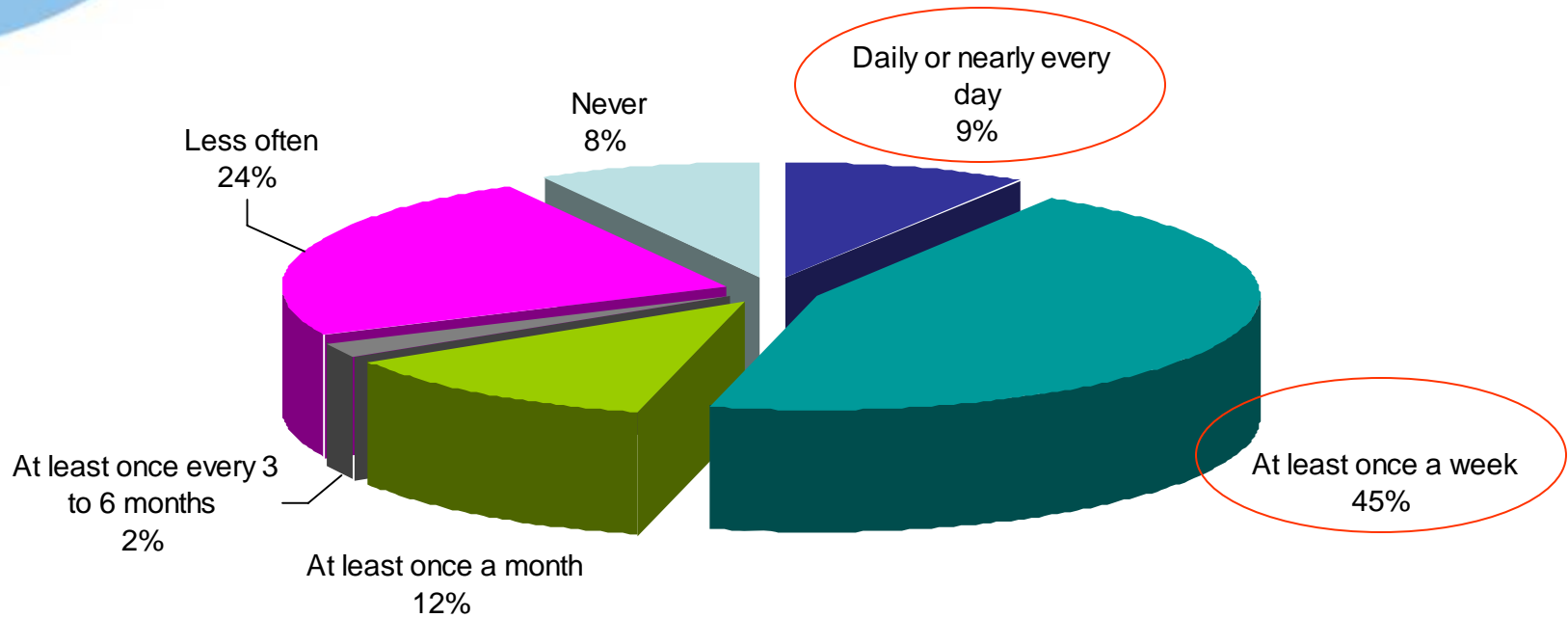
Base: Total Sample = 1000

Of the 10% connected to the main power grid (this is not the national penetration figure of electricity connectivity – this percentage was quota'd for the purposes of the research), in 96% of cases the electricity is functional



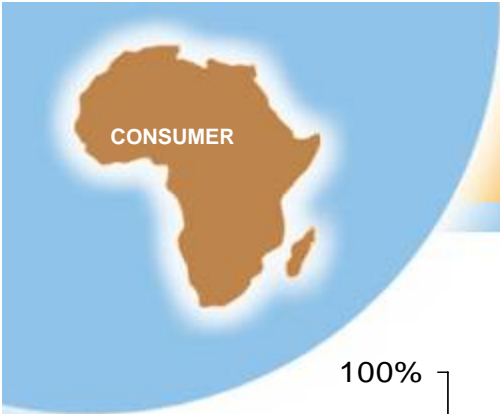
Power Cut Frequency

Q. 9 "How often if ever do you experience power cuts?"



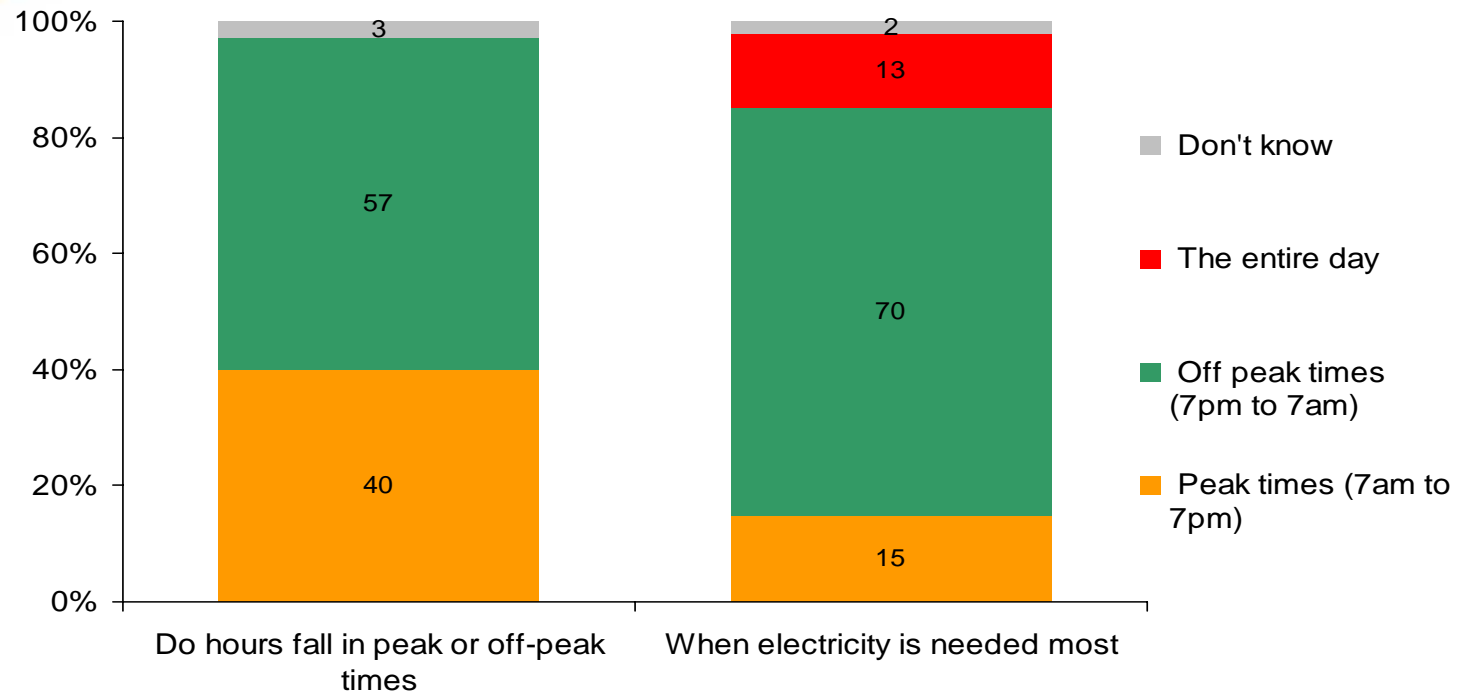
54% of those households connected to electricity experience power cuts at least once a week, thus making it necessary to have an alternative lighting source available

Base: Currently connected to main power grid and have electricity = 95



Time Power Cuts Occur

Q. 11 "Do power cuts hours fall in peak or off-peak hours, and (Q. 12) is that the time when electricity is needed most?"



57% power cuts occur at off peak hours. During these hours electricity is needed by 70% of households as these are the hours when the household is back home from their day time activities and require light to prepare dinner and for the children to be able to do their homework.



Monthly Expenditure on Electricity

Q. 15 "On average, how much do you pay for electricity per month?"

Conversion rate
1US \$ = Ksh. 66

Median on total= Ksh 670(\$10)

min on total = Ksh 160(\$2.4)

Max on total= Ksh 3000(\$45.5)

| | Total n=95 | Nairobi n=8** | Eastern n=14 | Western n=12 | Nyanza n=18 | Central n=17 | Rift valley n=20 |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Below US \$3(Kshs 200) | 14 | 13 | 8 | - | 12 | 19 | 26 |
| US \$4 – 8 (Ksh 250- 500) | 44 | 39 | 24 | 27 | 53 | 63 | 43 |
| US \$9 – 12 (Ksh 600-800) | 8 | - | 8 | 18 | 12 | - | 10 |
| US \$15– 23 (Ksh 1000 1500) | 12 | - | 24 | 36 | 12 | - | 11 |
| US \$35 – 46 (Ksh 2300 - 3000) | 5 | 13 | 8 | - | - | - | 5 |
| Mean | US \$10 Ksh. 647.4 | US \$11 Ksh. 740 | US \$14 Ksh. 924.4 | US \$12 Ksh. 785.6 | US \$7 Ksh. 460 | US \$5 Ksh. 319.2 | US \$9 Ksh. 605.6 |

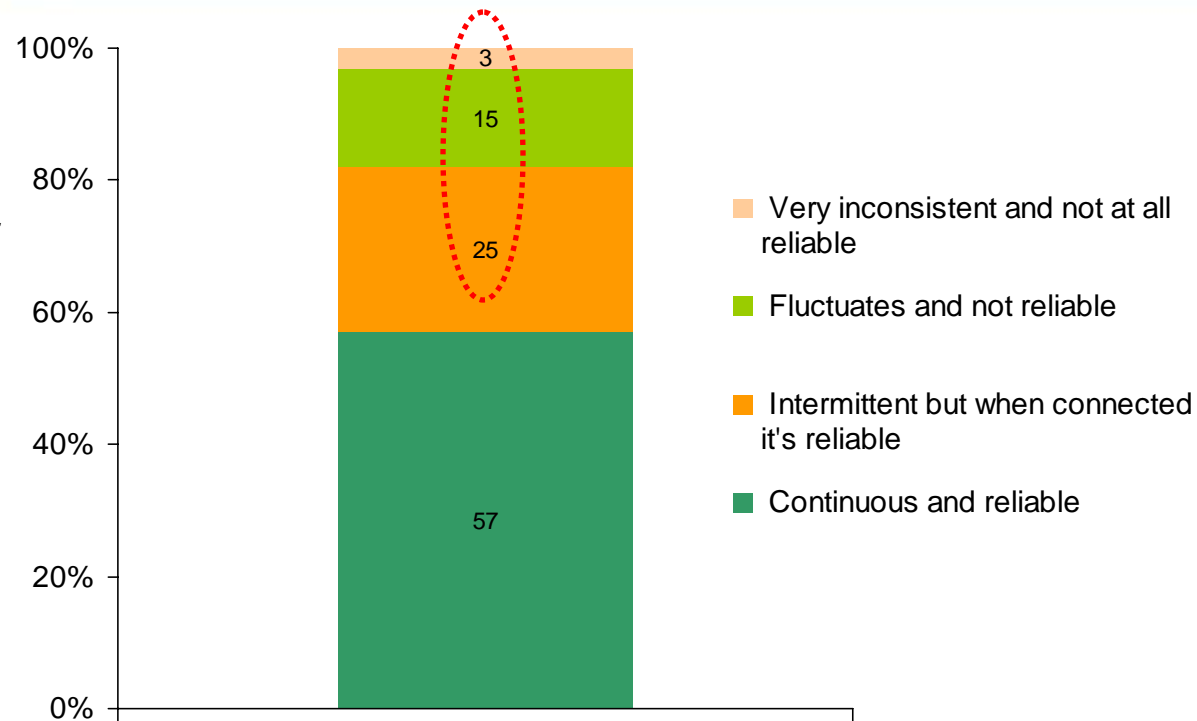
On average US \$ 5 to 10 is paid for electricity on a monthly basis. Those consumers who are connected to the grid generally fall between LSM 6 – 10 and therefore have a higher level of disposable income which allows them to supplement their electricity lighting with other devices is necessary

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Quality of Electricity

Q. 16 "How would you rate the quality of electricity?"

***Q.14a Not charted- comment included in comment box**
Q. 14b Not analysed due to small base sizes

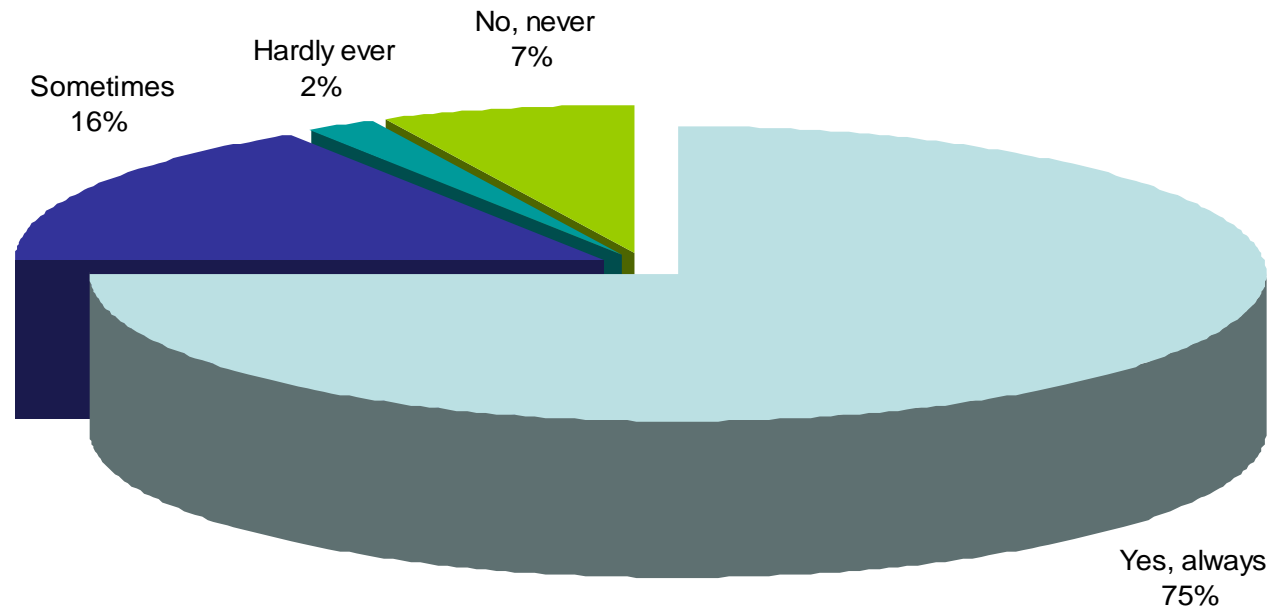


Households connected to electricity receive bills monthly and on average Kenyans pay US \$10 per month for the bills. 57% of households state their electricity is continuous and reliable, while 43% of consumers are not satisfied with the quality of their electricity. This creates a need for alternative lighting devices to be used when electricity is not satisfactory

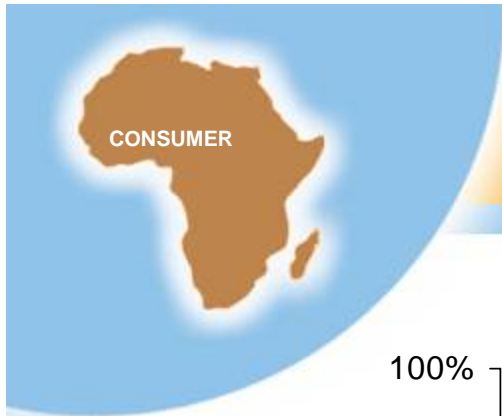


Voltage Sufficiency for Household Appliances

Q. 17 "Is the voltage level you are supplied with enough to use for the desired household appliances?"



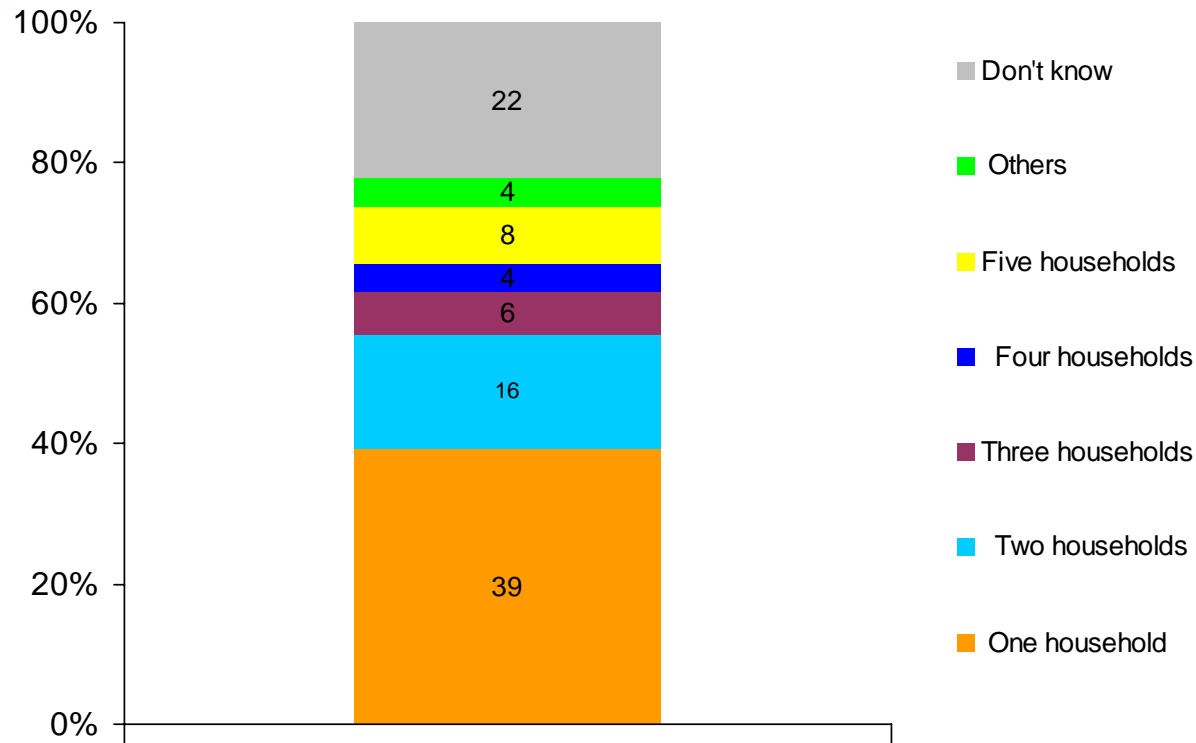
Base: All currently connected to main power grid



No. of Households Sharing Electricity

Q. 13 "How many households are sharing electricity from the same source"

Mean = 3 households



On average 3 households share from the same power source, however majority of respondents, 39%, do not share. 22% of households do not know whether they share their electricity source or not indicating low levels of knowledge about how the grid operates and how electricity is received in the household.

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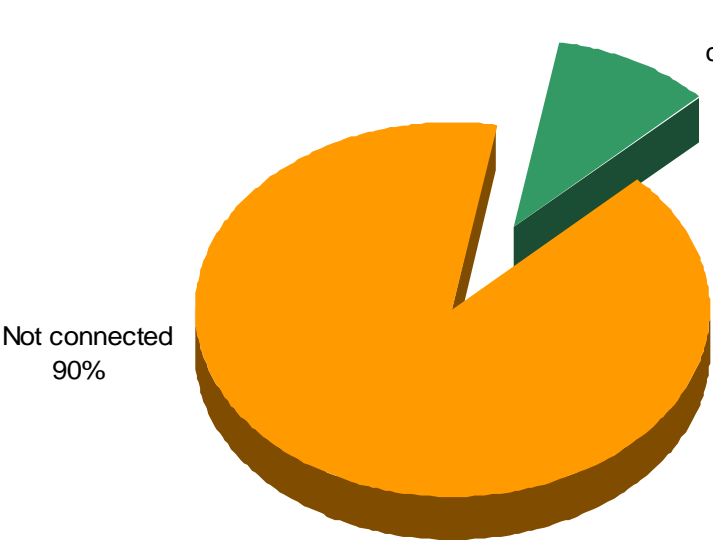
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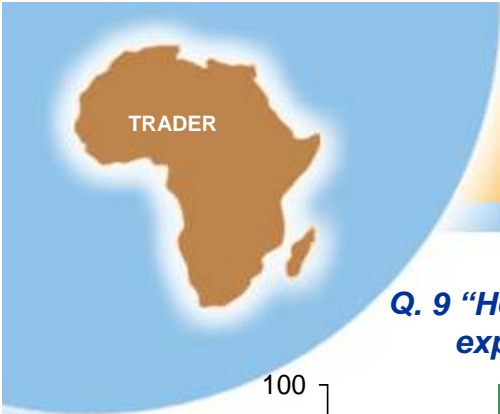
Q.6 "Is your business currently connected to the main power grid?"



Base = 400: Total Sample

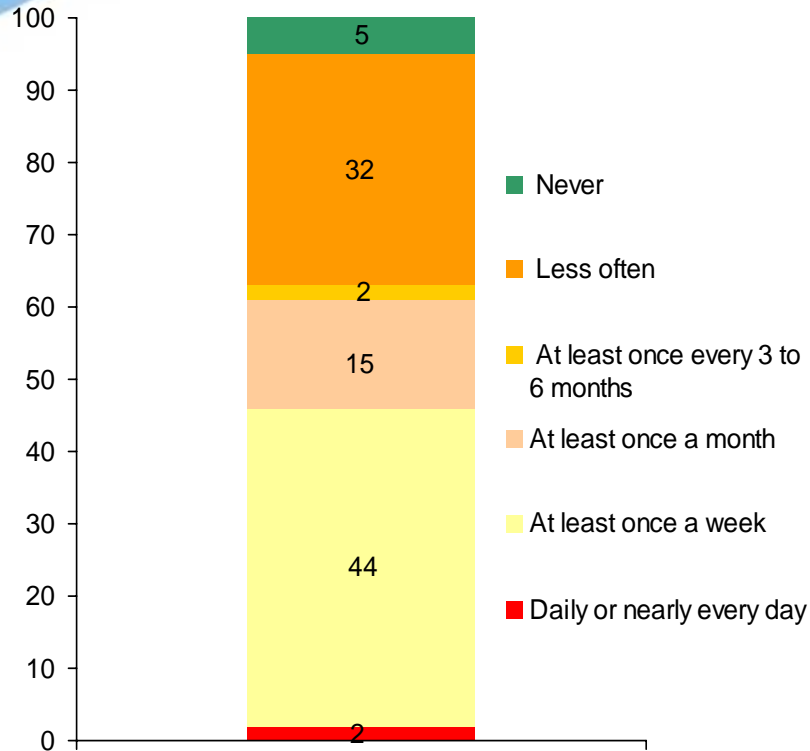
| | |
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| Q. 7 "Is the electricity currently working?" | Base = All Currently connected to main power grid = 41 |
| | Yes 100% |

The same quota's were used to sample traders which were connected to the grid: 10% of the total trader sample. Of those traders connected all of them has electricity which worked at the time of the interview

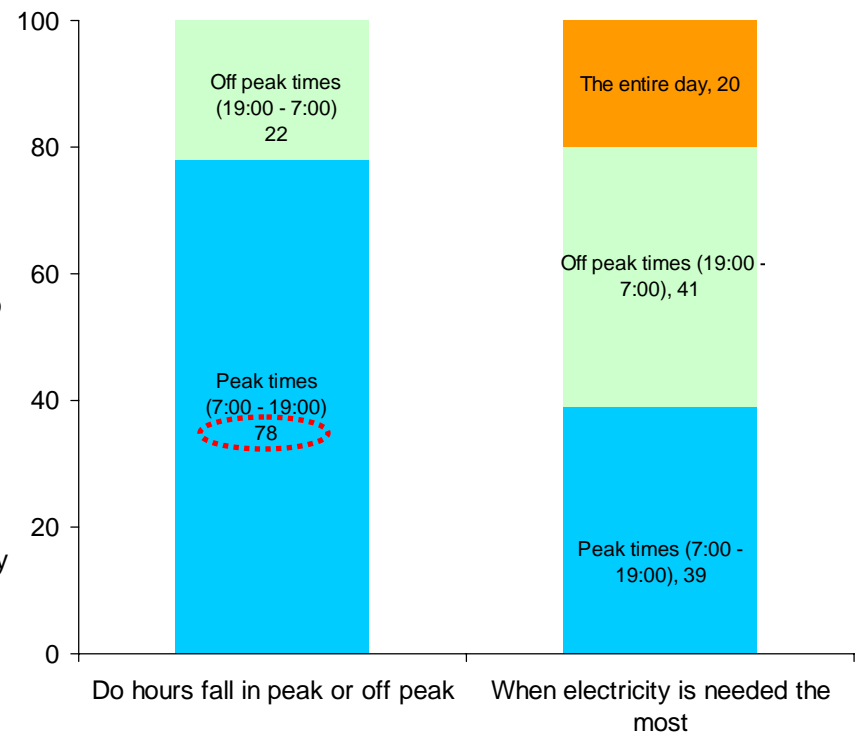


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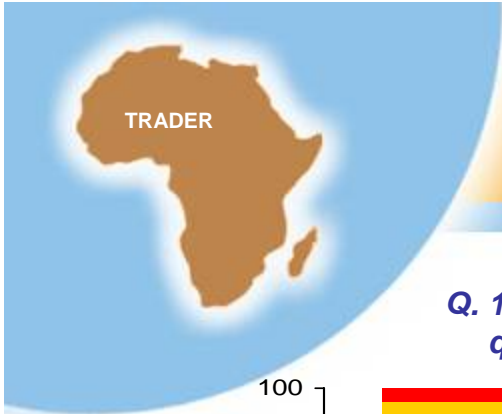


Q. 11 "Do the hours in which you receive electricity mainly fall in peak or off peak times?"



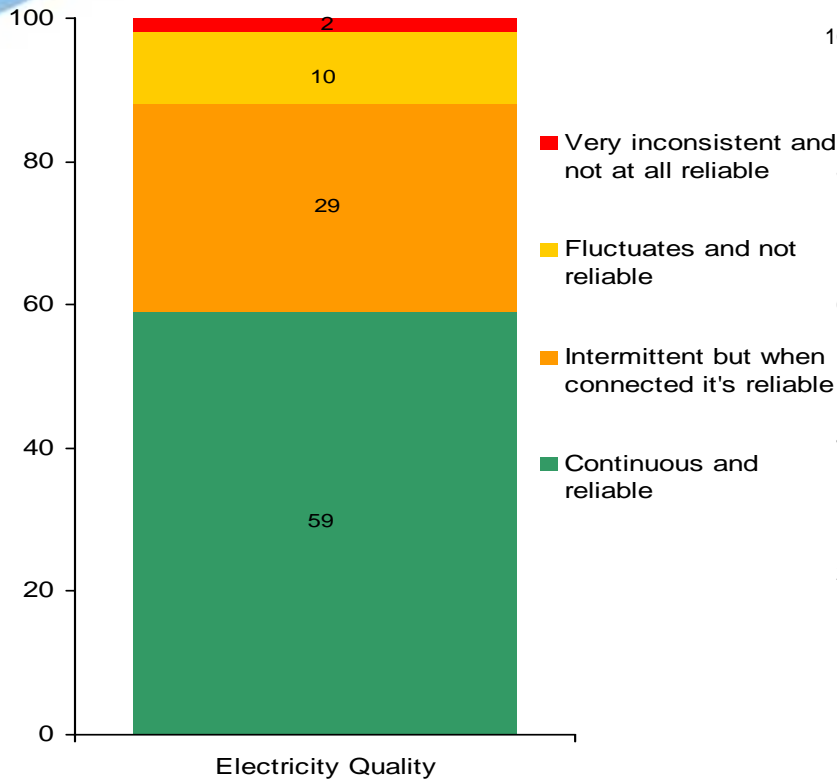
Electricity is not a stable source of power for traders. 78% of power cuts occur during peak hours (07.00-19.00), a time when 4 in every 10 traders need electricity

Base: Currently connected to main power grid = 41



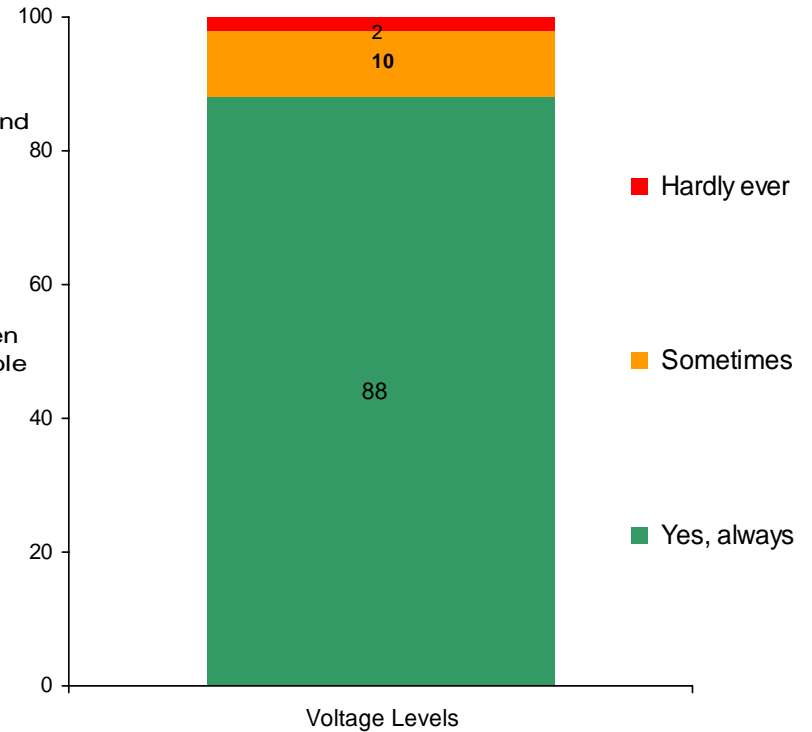
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*Q14a not charted

Q. 17 "When electricity is available is the voltage level supplied enough to use as desired for appliances?"

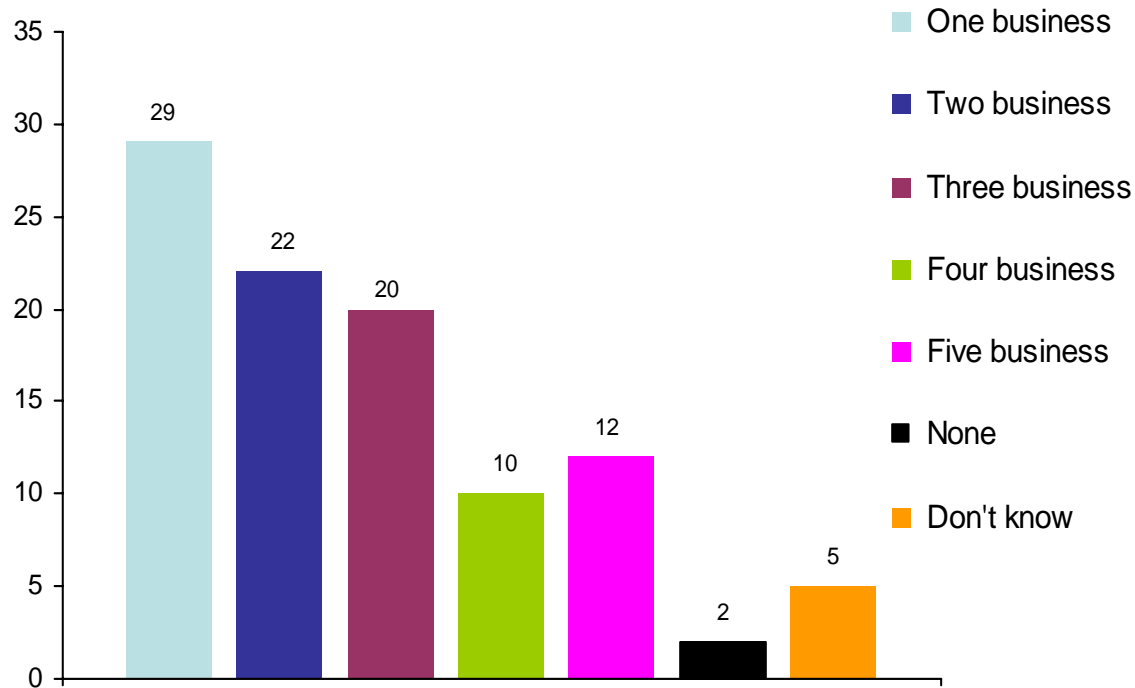


Majority of traders receive their electricity bills on a monthly basis. Unlike consumers, many businesses say that when the electricity is working it is continuous and reliable and even the voltage is to expectation.



Sharing Electricity from Same Source

Q. 13 "How many businesses/households are sharing the electricity from the same source....?"



About 9% of businesses were connected to the main power grid, of these 2-3 businesses share from the same power source. However, 29% do not share and 5% of the businesses do not know how many there are on the source – thus the level of knowledge about where the electricity comes from is much greater amongst traders than amongst households.

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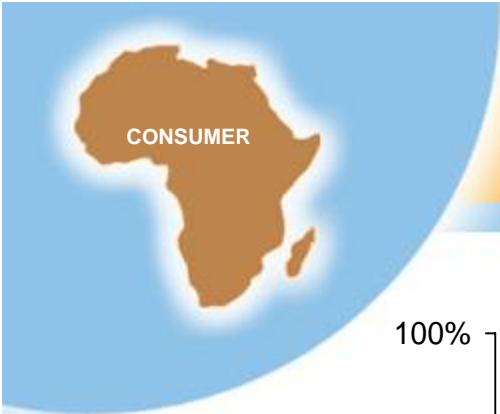


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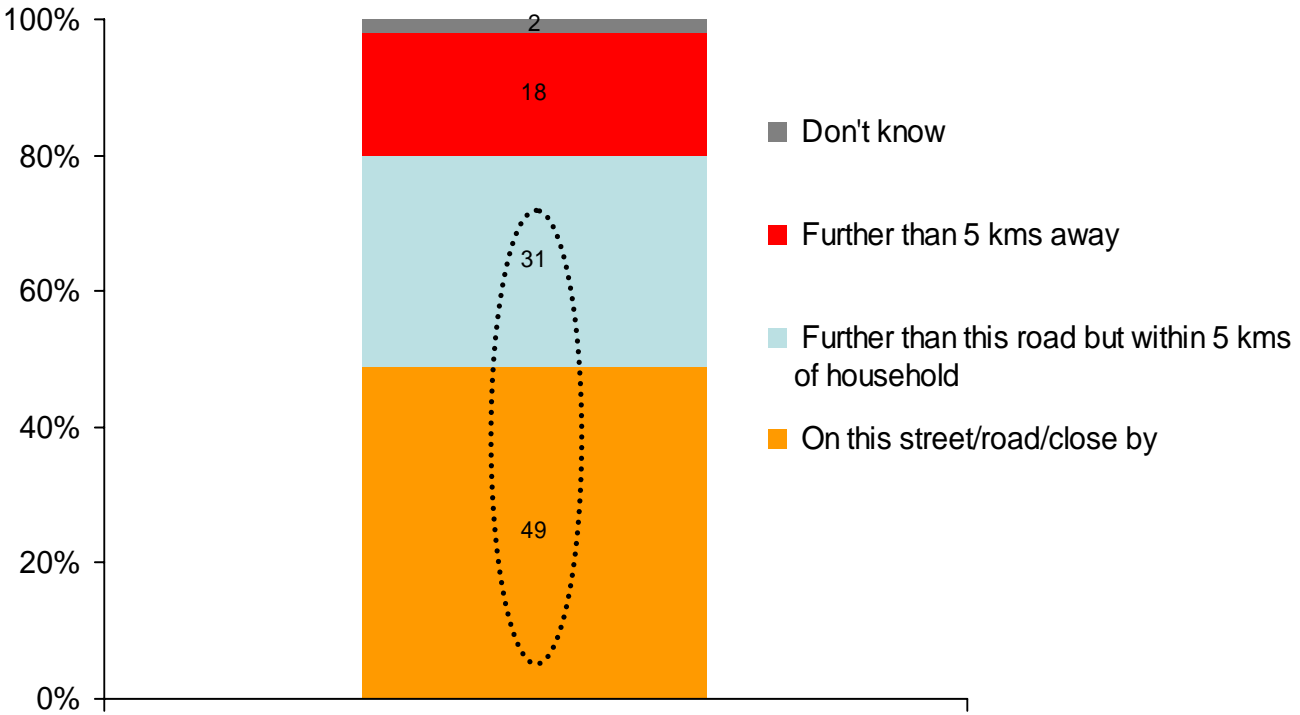
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Proximity to Power Line

Q 18 "How close is your nearest mains power line?"

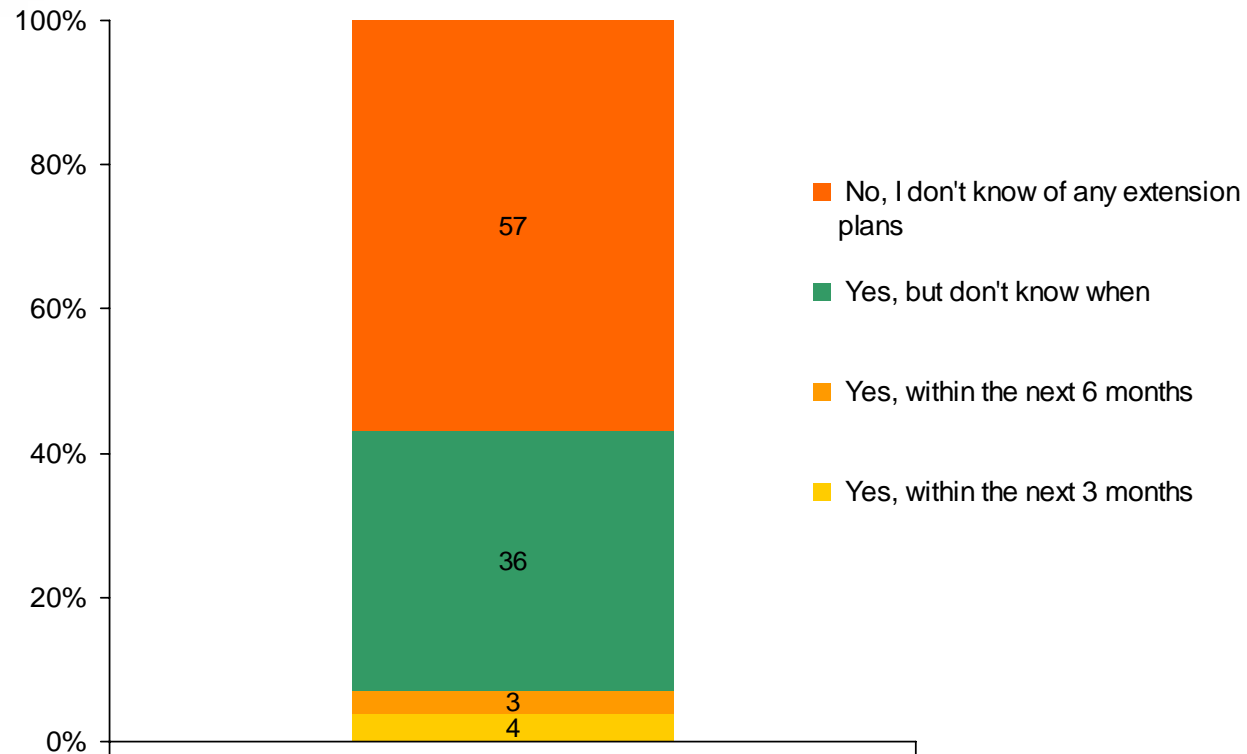


Proximity to the power line is not the main inhibiting factor for those respondents who are not connected to the power grid – it is more likely to be a cost issue.

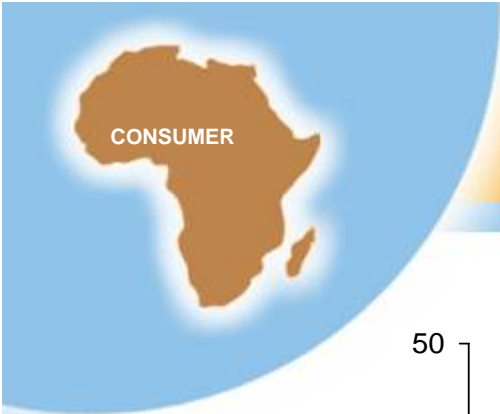


Connection of Unconnected Household to Grid

Q. 19 "You mentioned that the nearest mains power line was close to your household. Do you know of any immediate extension plans to include your household to the grid?"

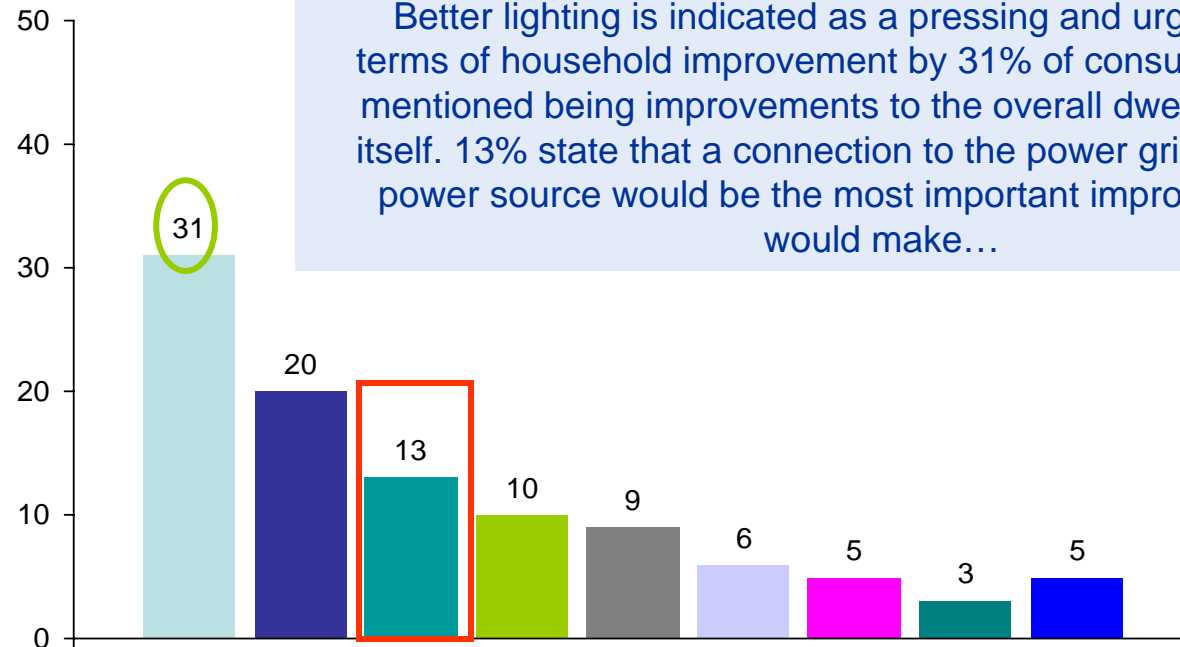


57% of consumers do not know of any extension plans, those who know that there is an extension plan are not clear on when the extension is to take place.



Improvements to the Household

Q. 4 "If there was one thing you could do to improve your household or its facilities, what would it be?"



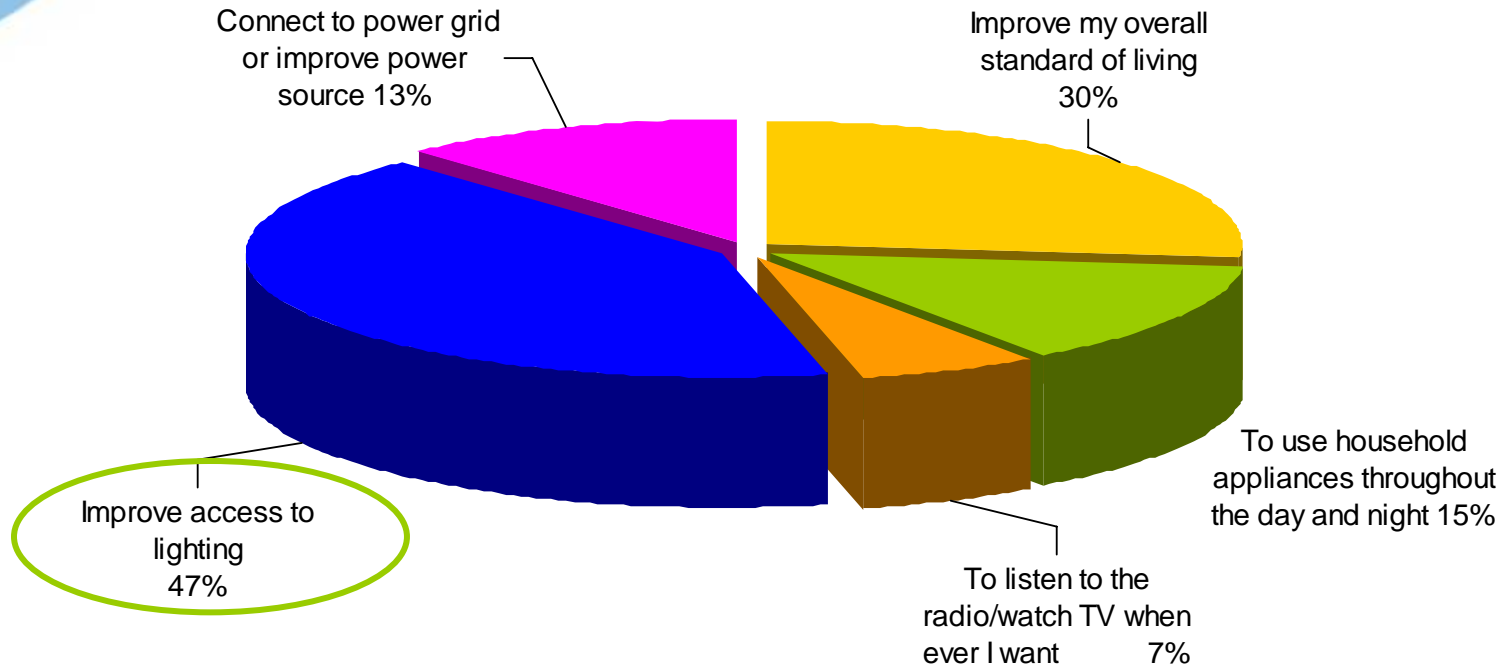
Better lighting is indicated as a pressing and urgent need in terms of household improvement by 31% of consumers, second mentioned being improvements to the overall dwelling structure itself. 13% state that a connection to the power grid or improved power source would be the most important improvement they would make...

- Better lighting
- Connect to power grid or improve power source
- Better access to water
- Increase size of home
- Other
- Improved structure itself
- Improved furniture
- Improved wall and floor coverings
- Better toilet facilities

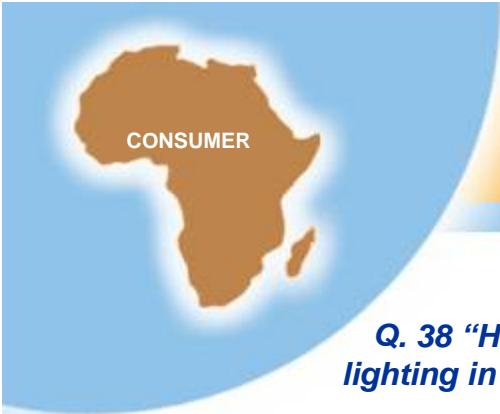


Reasons for Wanting to Improve Power Source

Q. 5 "You mentioned you would like to connect to a power grid or improve your power source by purchasing a generator. Please can you tell me the main reason why you would want to do this?"

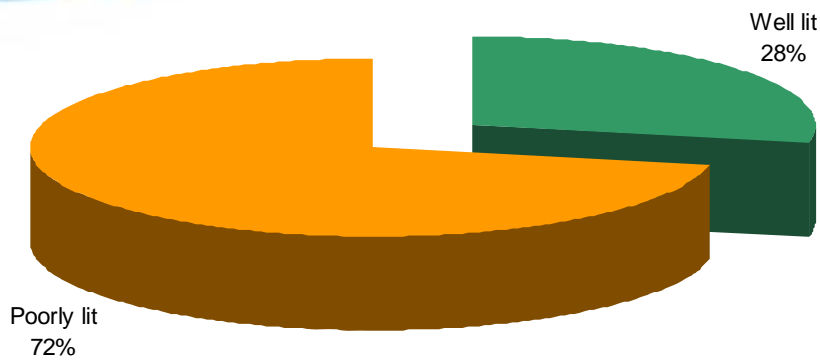


When we look specifically at the 128 people who state they want a better power source, 47% state the main reason would be to improve access to lighting. Thus here very clearly being outlined how important lighting is to consumers everyday well being

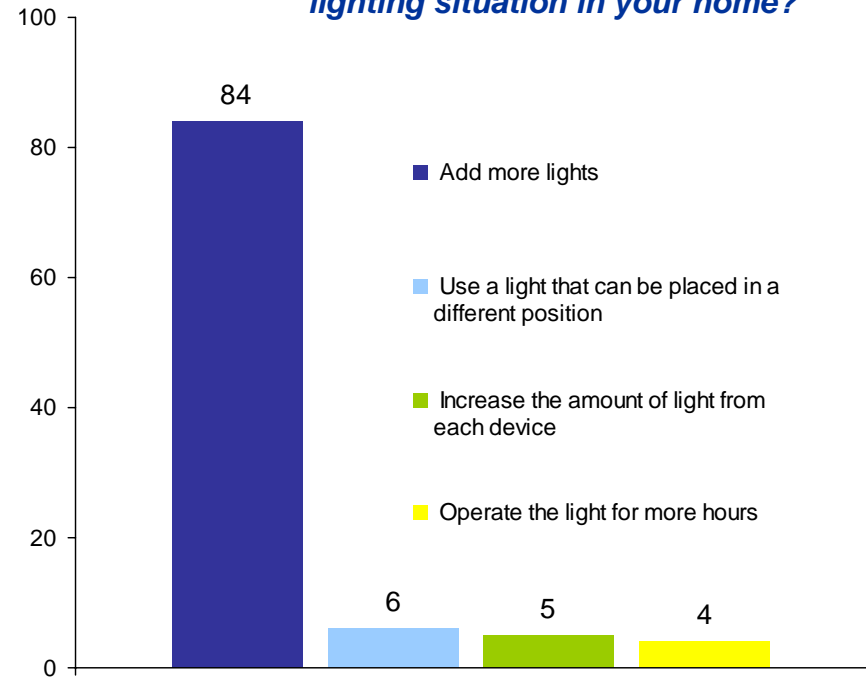


In-home Lighting

Q. 38 "How would you rate the lighting in your home nowadays?"



Q. 40 "How would you improve the lighting situation in your home?"



Overall consumer state that their home is poorly lit and the main solution to this problem is adding more lights overall.

Base: Households whose light can be improved n = 807



Aspirations if there was Better Lighting

Q. 42 "Is there anything you or other members of your household would do differently at night if you had better light?"

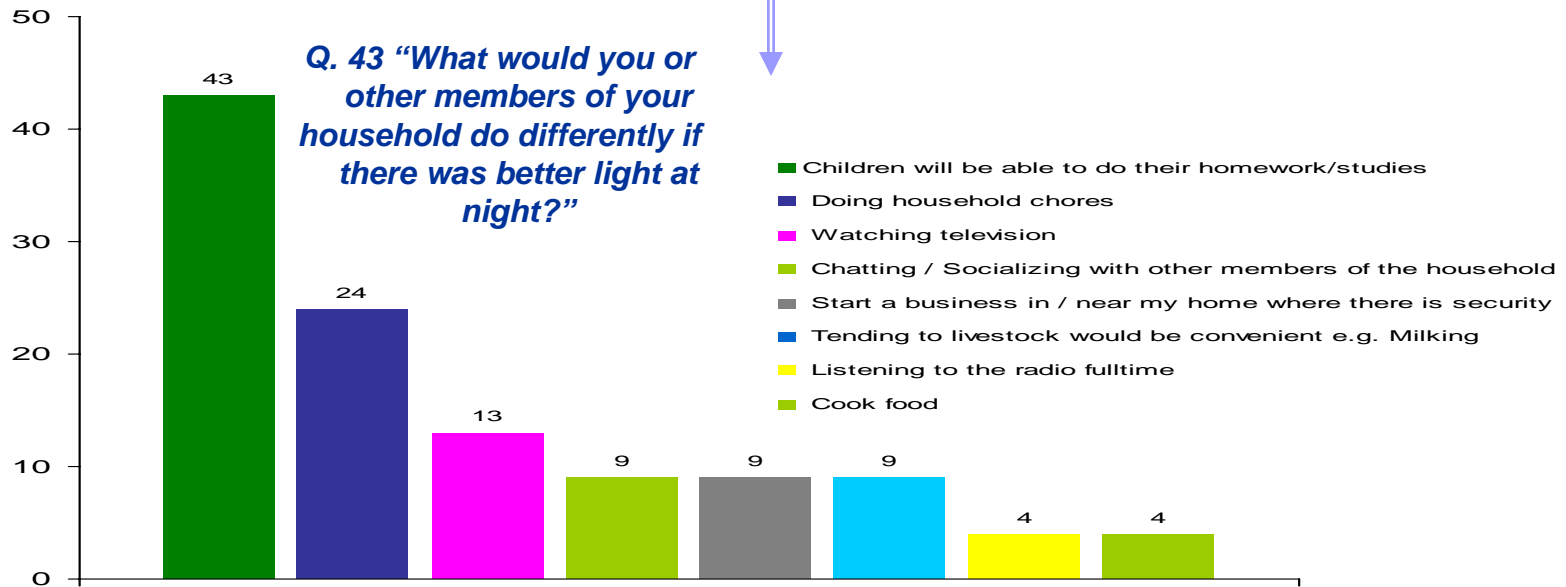
Base = 1000

Yes

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No

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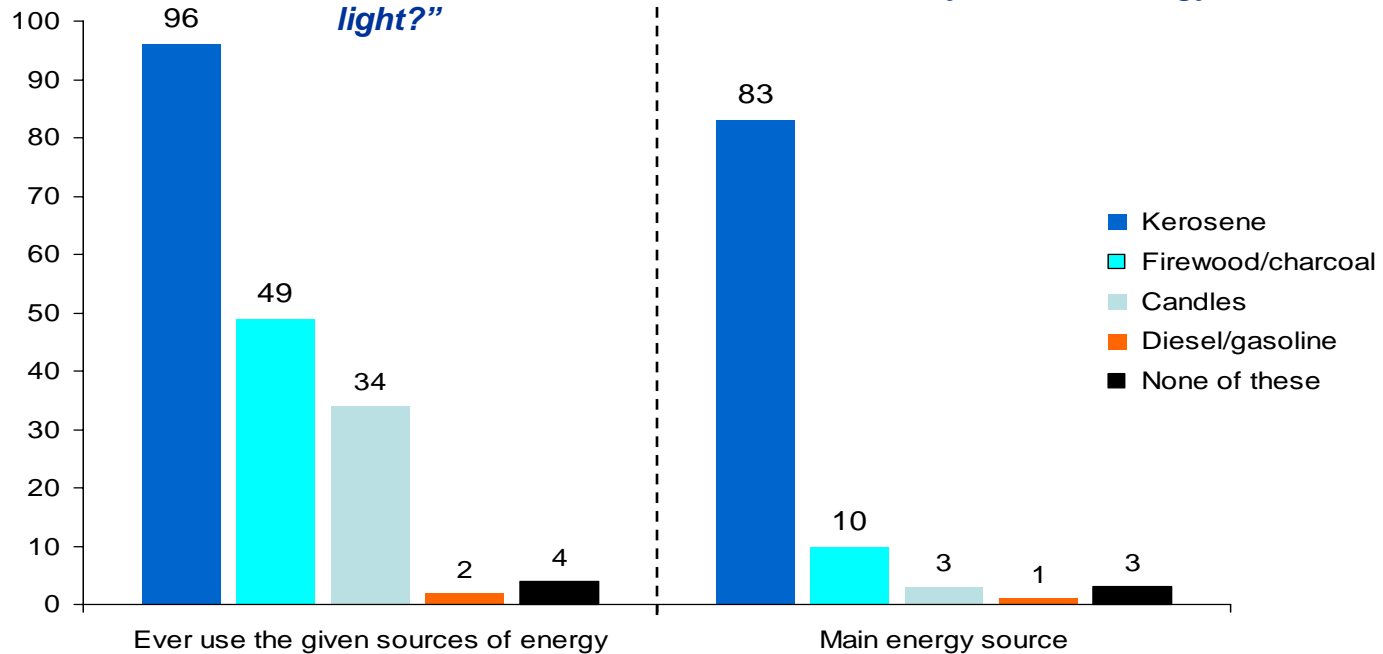
If in-home lighting was improved personal development would be the first thing to improve, specifically children being able to do their homework.



Use of Energy Sources to Power Appliances / Provide Light

Q. 21a “Do you ever use any of the following sources of energy to power appliances or to create light?”

Q. 21b “Which of the power sources of energy would you say you use as your main energy source?”

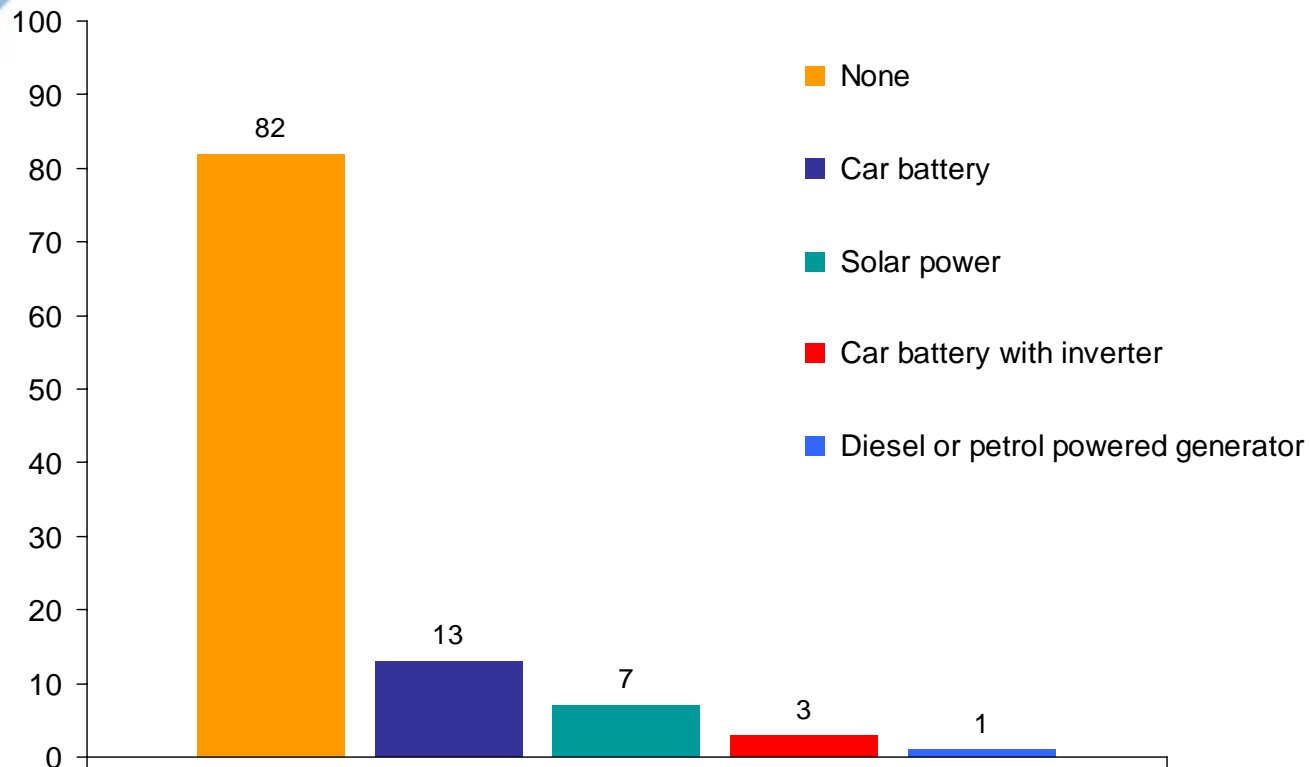
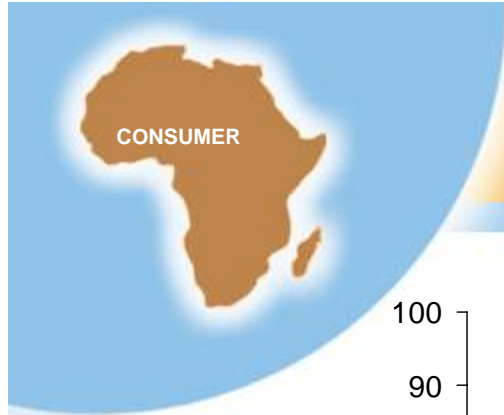


Kerosene is the main energy source used to provide light and power appliances in many households. Firewood and charcoal are another source of energy in many Kenyan households. These sources are popular due to their cost and because of their multi-functionality, i.e. they create light and one can cook with them at the same time

Base: Consumers total households = 1000

Energy Sources

Q. 20 "Do you have any of the following power sources, apart from the mains connection, in this HH providing power generally to the HH?"



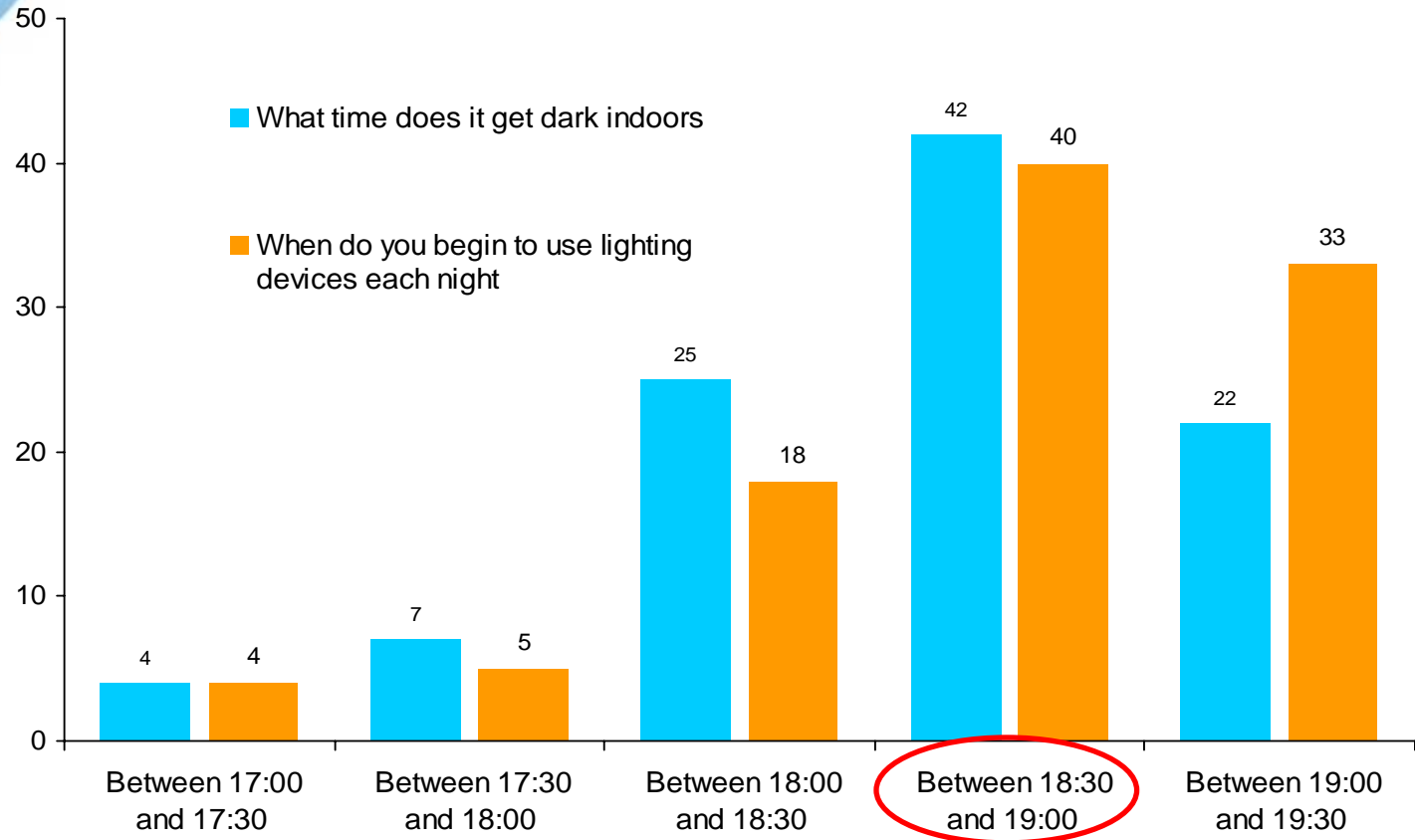
Besides kerosene the majority of households do not have an alternative source of power – small numbers of consumer improvise with power sources such as car batteries and small solar panels.

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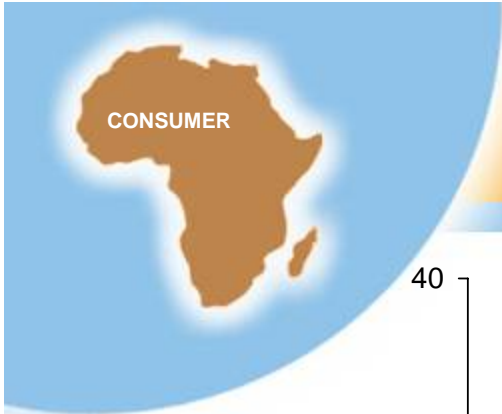
Time Lighting Products are Switched on

Q.23 "On average, what time does it get dark indoors?"

Q.24 "When do you begin using lighting products/devices each night?"

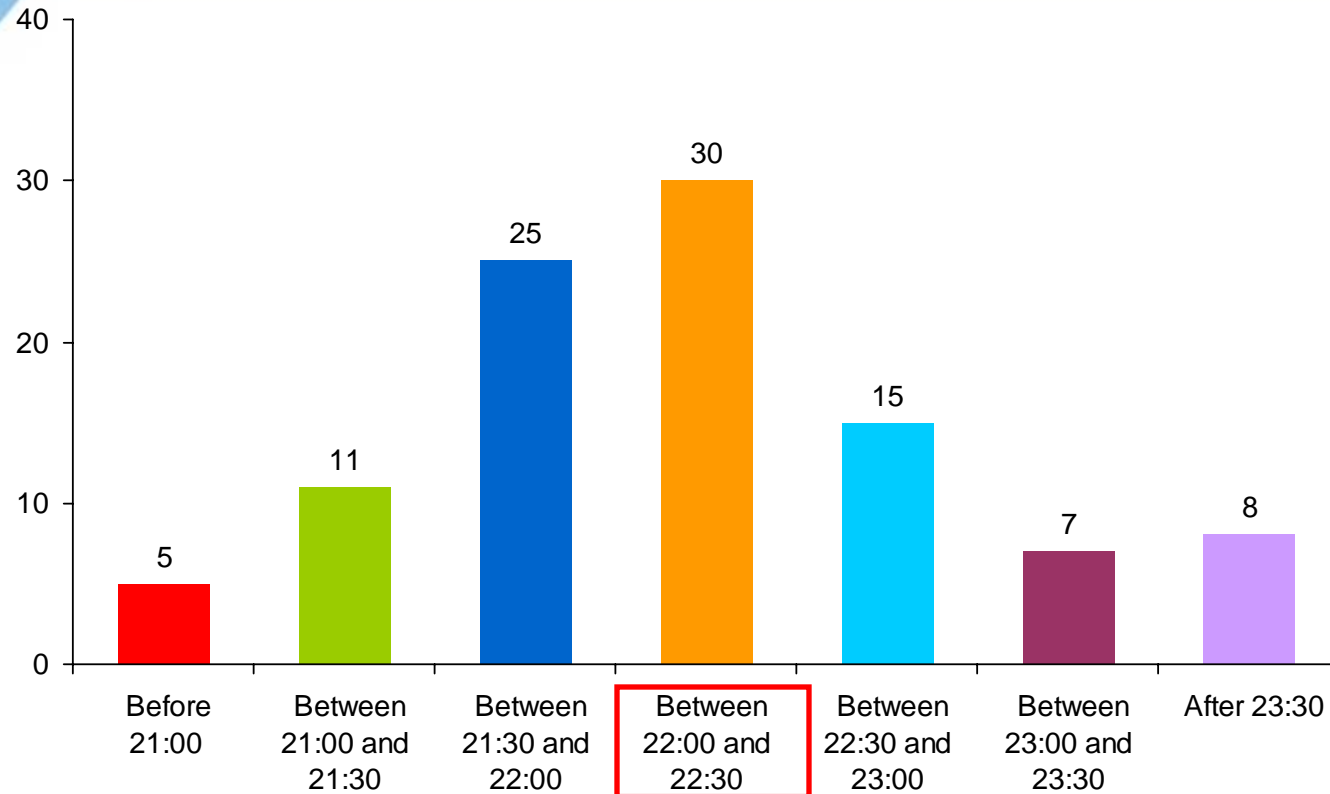


Many households start experiencing darkness inside quite early, but do not necessarily start using lights when darkness sets in. The most likely reason for this is to save on costs by reducing the number of hours that lights are in use – the majority switching on the lights between 18:30 and 19:00 hours.



Time Lighting Products are Switched off

Q. 25 "What time did the last light go off in the household last night?"



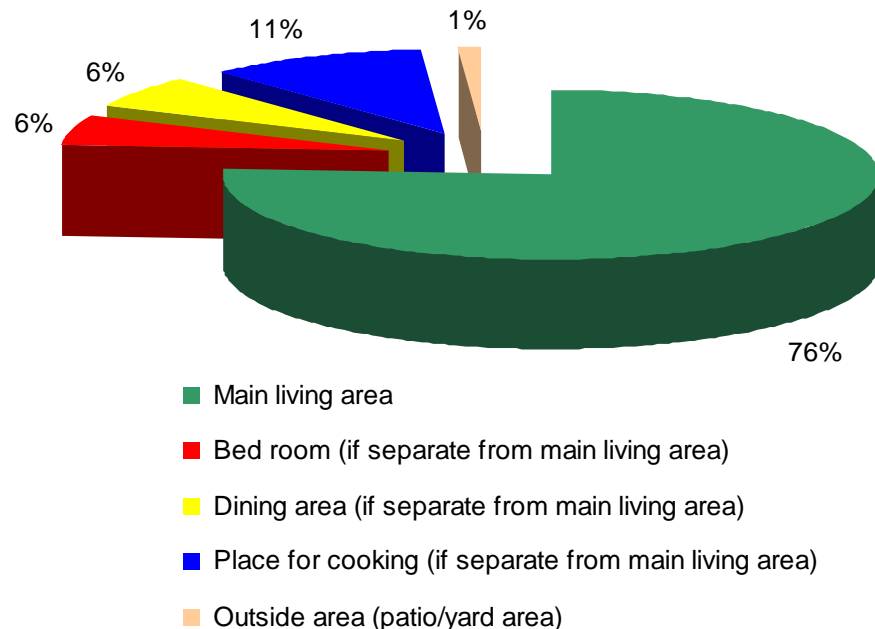
In most households lights are turned off in the night between the hours of 2200 and 2230. Thus we can roughly state that with if on average the lights are used between 18:30 and 22:30 in the evening – lighting device use at night is approximately 4 hours. However, this calculation does not take into account that many consumers also use lighting devices early in the morning for 1 or 2 hours, meaning that overall a modern lighting device must be able to hold a charge for 6 hours per day minimum.



Use of Light in the Rooms

| | Q. 27 "How many rooms in this dwelling were used after dark yesterday evening?" | Q. 28 "How many rooms in this dwelling were lit at all yesterday evening?" |
|-------------|---|--|
| 1 room | 22 | 29 |
| 2 rooms | 32 | 35 |
| 3 rooms | 25 | 21 |
| 4 rooms | 12 | 9 |
| >5 rooms | 9 | 5 |
| Mean | 2.7 | 2.4 |

Q. 30 "Which one room/area did the HH residents use for the longest time after dark last night?"



Many Kenyan households averagely light 2 to 3 rooms after dark. More than one lighting device is therefore required. The longest used room is the main living area as this is where most household activities are carried out and is also the longest lit room/area. As many household members congregated together in the main room it is of prime importance that the lighting device allows for enough light to be used by a number of people conducting different tasks.



Rooms Not Lit Last Night

Q. 44 "Was your home lit in all the areas that you needed it last night?"

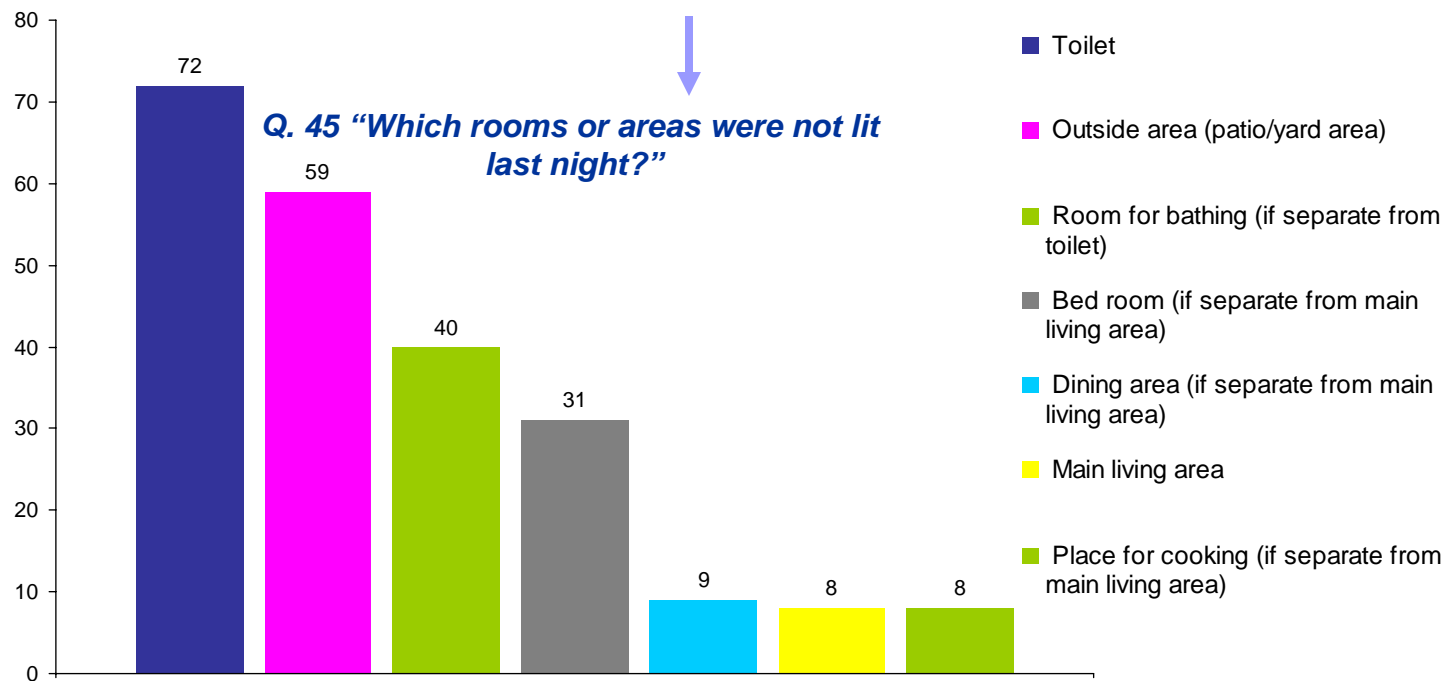
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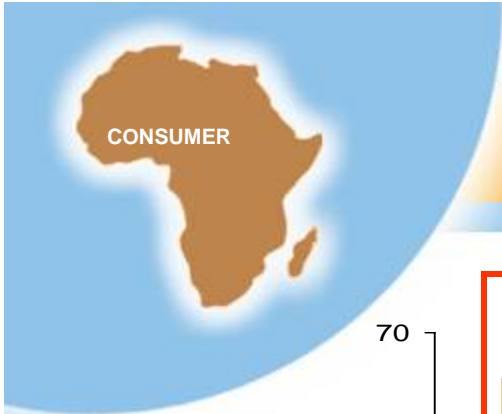
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No

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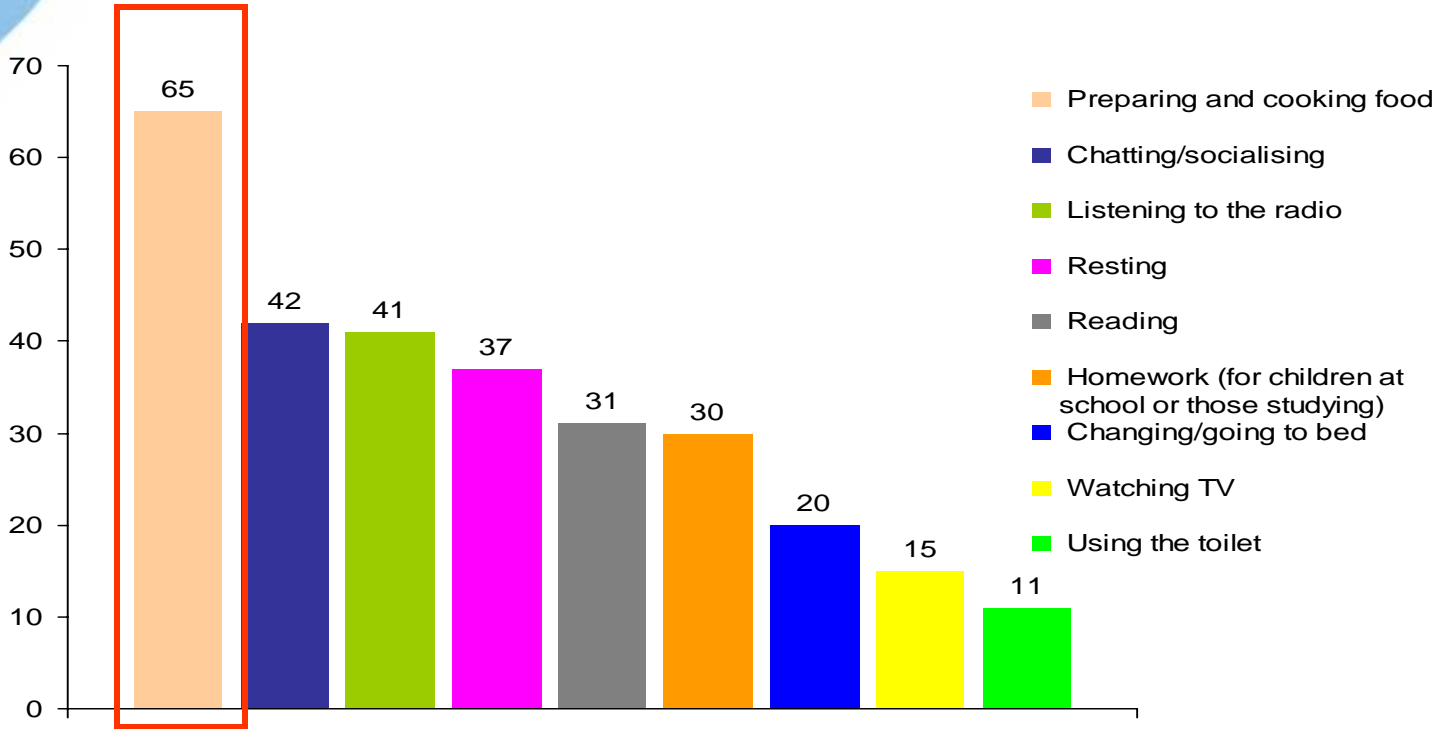


Rooms with the least use such as the toilet, outside areas and bathrooms, are least lit – the most likely type of lighting device to be used here is a backup such as a torch.



Night Time Activities

Q. 31 "Which activities were people doing last night?"



Preparing and cooking food is the most common activity done after dark in 65% of Kenyan households. Entertainment such as chatting, socialising and listening to radio are other activities that many households indulge in after dark. 56% of respondents said the current light in the households was not enough to perform all the activities comfortably

Base: Total sample =1000

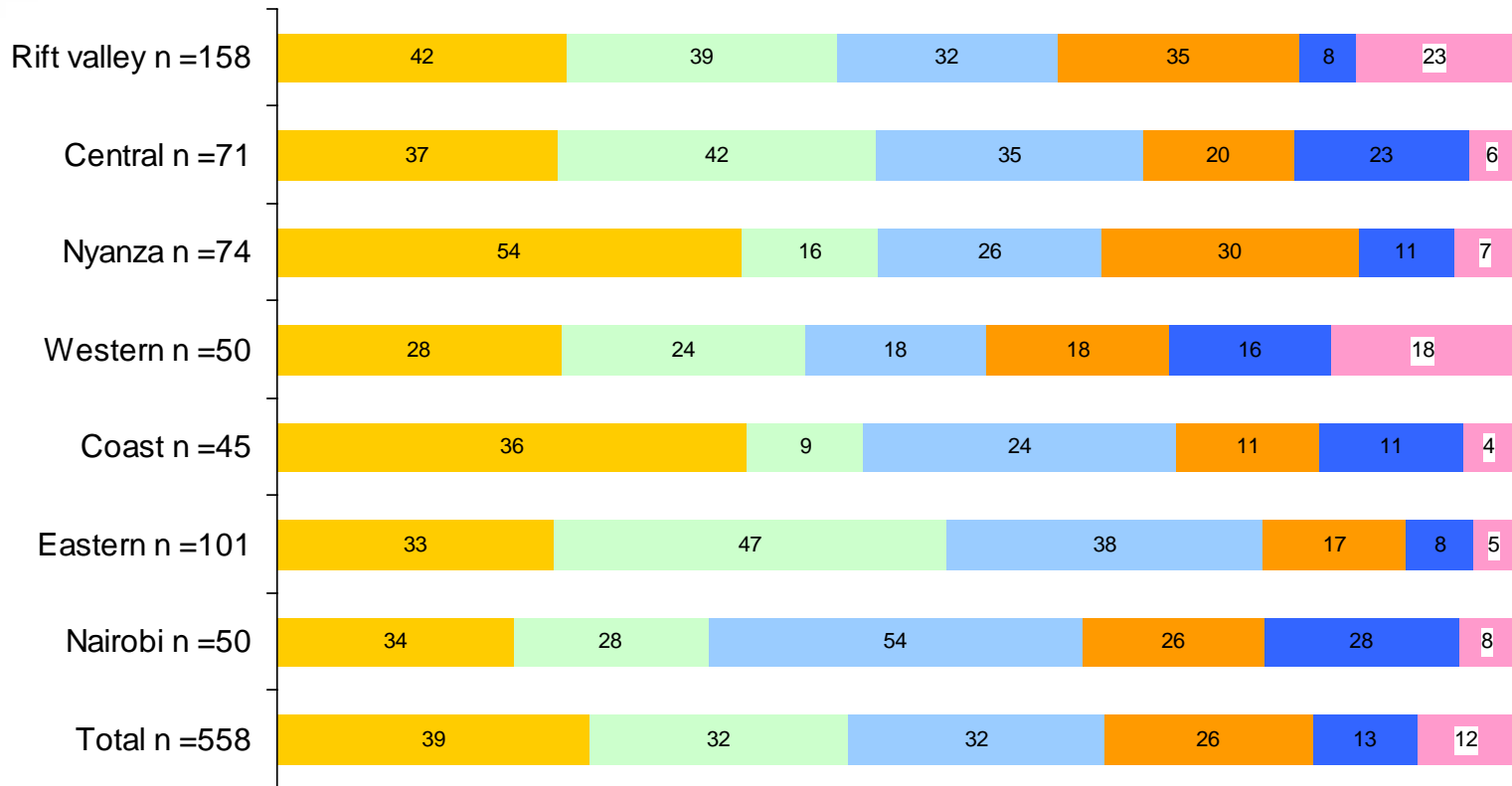


Activities could not Perform Due to Lack of Lighting

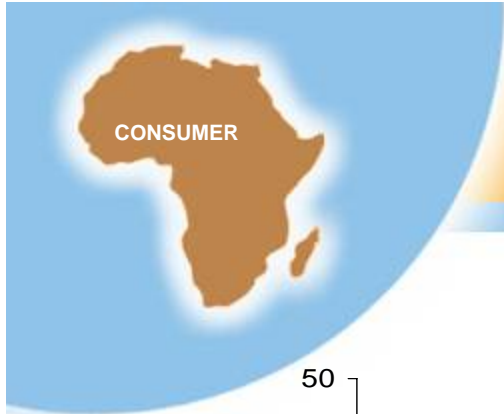
Q. 33 "Which activities could not be done well or comfortably due to lack of lighting?"

- Reading
- Homework / studying
- Preparing and cooking food
- Using the toilet
- Household cleaning
- Working

* N. Eastern not charted due to small base size

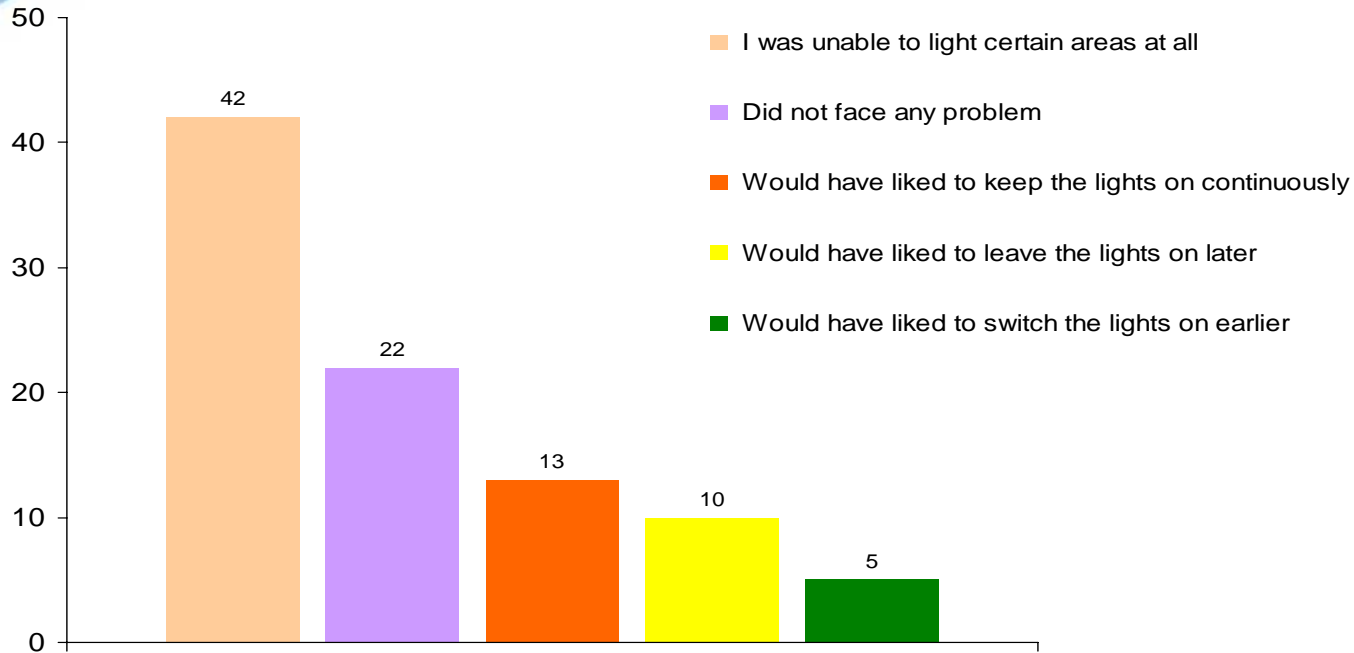


Personal development activities such as reading Children doing their homework, studying and cooking are the activities which suffer the most due to lack of lighting.



Problems Faced when Lighting Home

Q. 46 "What was the main problem you faced when trying to light your home last night?"



42% of households were not able to light certain areas of the households, i.e. areas such as the wash room or toilet will not be lit. Lighting currently in use, is not sufficient for the household lighting needs, indicating there is a serious need for better and more affordable lighting products in the Kenyan market

Base: Total Sample is 1000

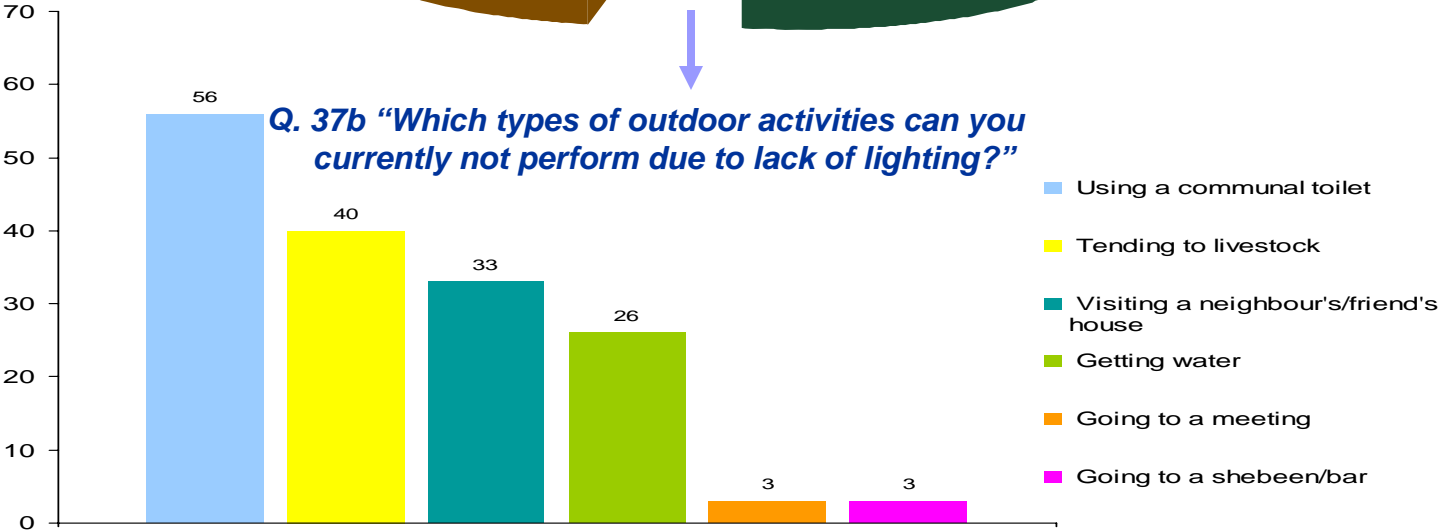


Outdoor Activities Unable to do Due to Lack of Lighting

Q. 37a "Are you currently inhibited to performing certain types of outdoor activity due to lack of lighting?"



Base: Total sample =1000



Base: All who could not perform certain types of outdoor activities due to lack of lighting =532

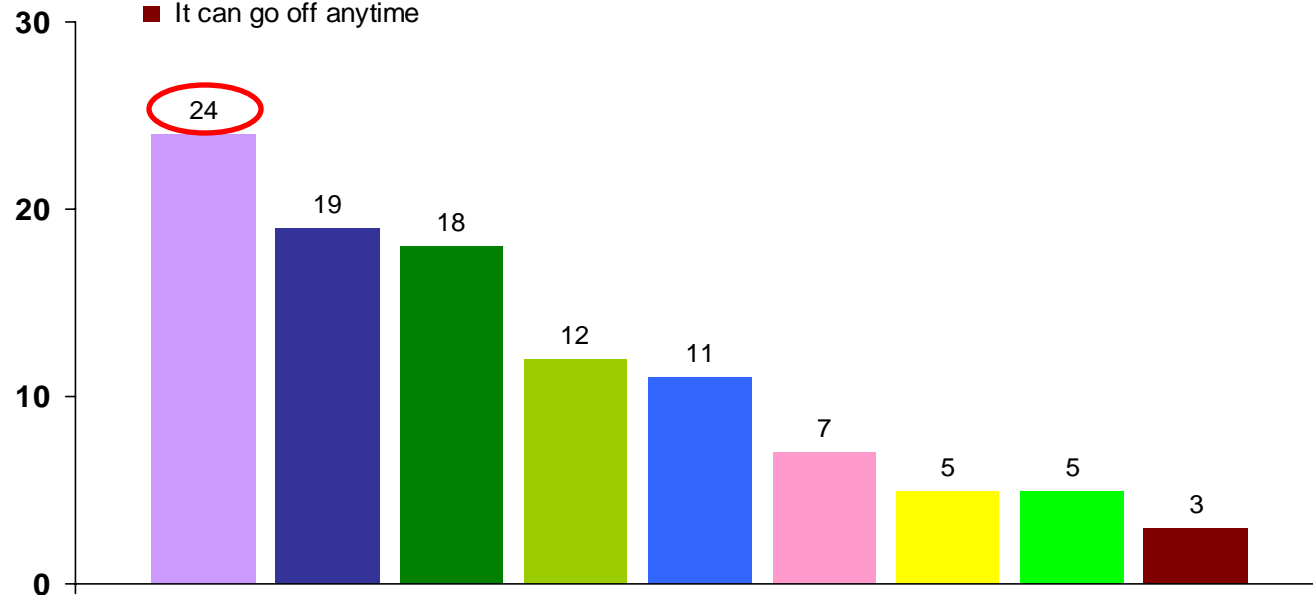
Lack of outdoor lighting hinders certain types of activities: using a communal toilet is the most affected. Strong and portable lighting is necessary for such activities to be carried out



Problems Experienced Due to Lack of Lighting

Q. 41 "What kind of problems/inconveniences does the current lack of lighting cause?"

- Insecurity as one tries to perform outdoor activities
- Some household chores are skipped for day time
- Poor lighting methods are then used
- My business is not doing well due to lack of enough lighting
- It can go off anytime
- Difficult children to do their homework/ study for long
- One cannot extend till late due to fear of paraffin cost
- Can't access other rooms
- Difficult to watch T.V

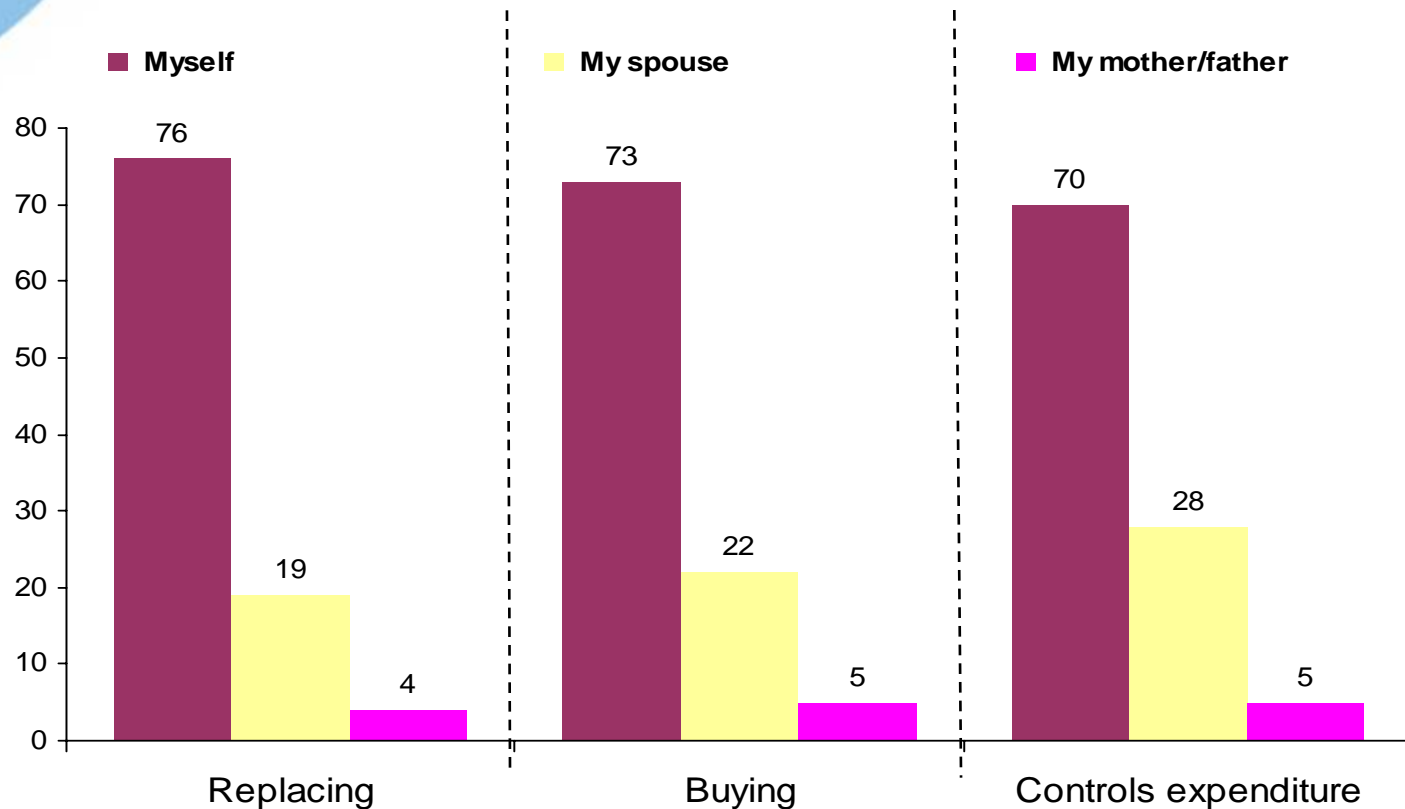


The most common problem experienced due to lack of lighting is insecurity. Carrying out outdoor activities such as walking outside at night to visit the toilet/bathroom is a challenge for most.

Decision and Control in Household

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Q. 54a "Who in the house decides on replacing a lighting device? Q. 54b Who in the house decides on what to buy? Q. 54c Who in the house controls the money?"



Since respondents who were selected were the main household decision makers, as expected, decision in replacing lighting systems lies with them and they are the ones whom should be targeted when marketing new lighting products.

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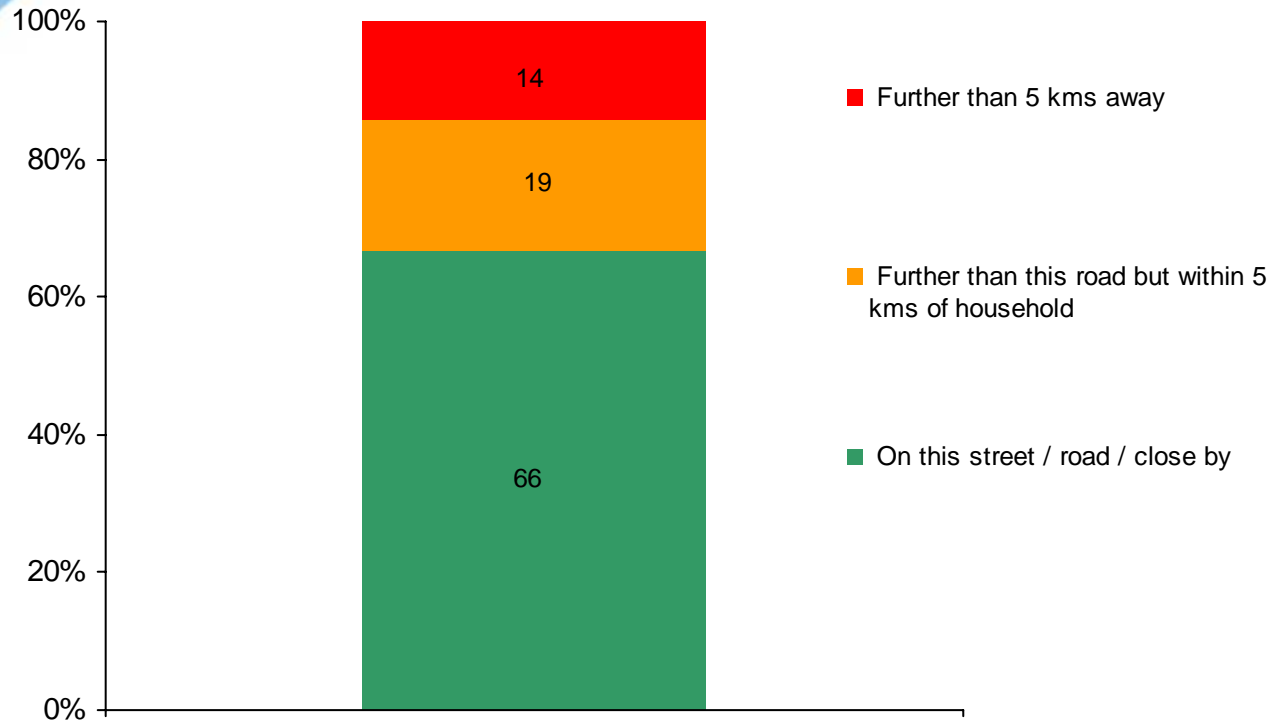
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Proximity to Power Line

Q. 18 "How close is your nearest mains power line?"

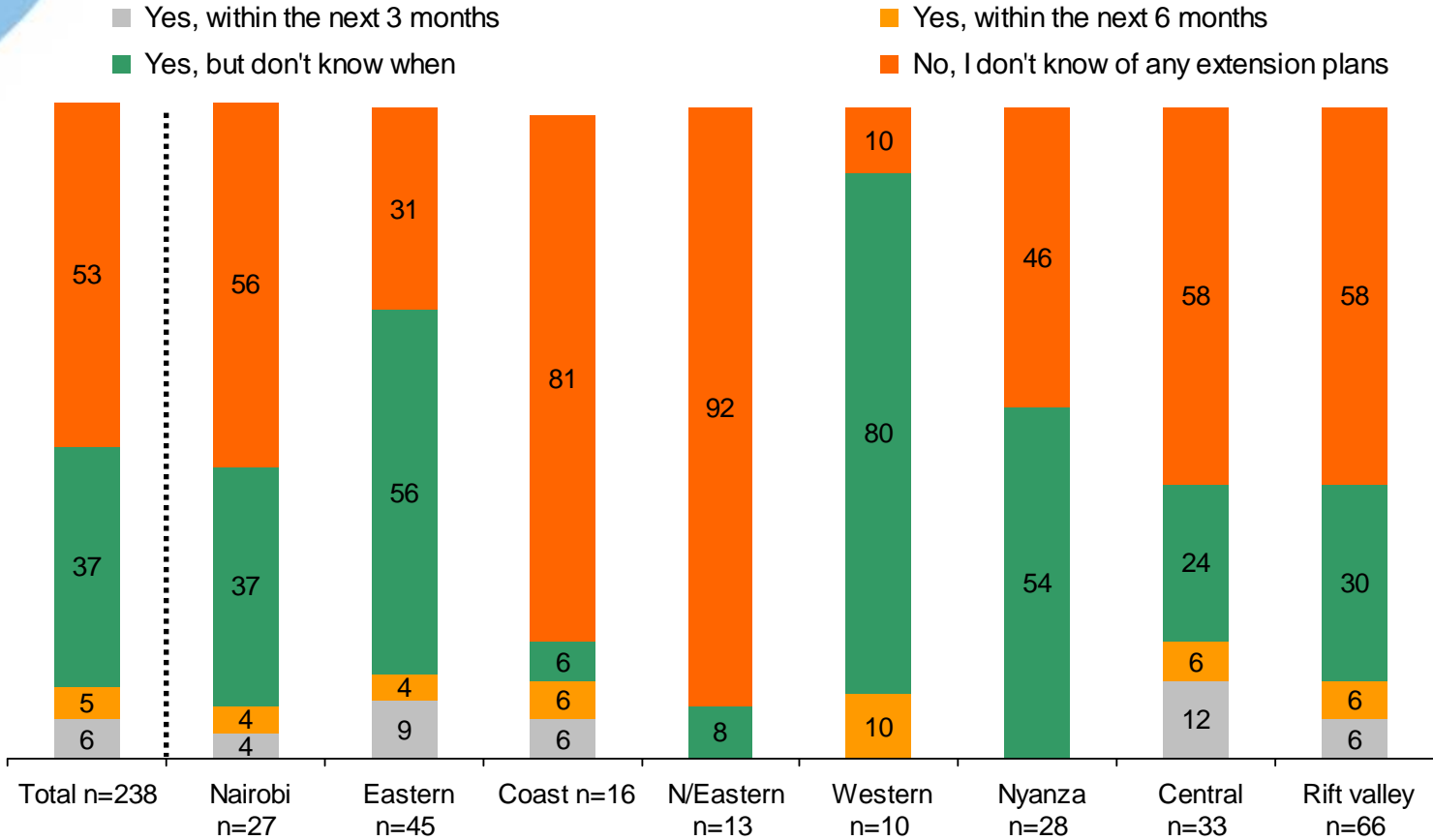


For 66% of traders the mains power line is close to their business premises and therefore proximity is not an inhibitor to installation. The cost is most probably the main reason that causes many traders not to apply for electricity connection.



Connection Potential

Q. 19 "You mentioned that the nearest mains power line was close to your business. Do you know of any immediate extension plans to include your business to the grid?"

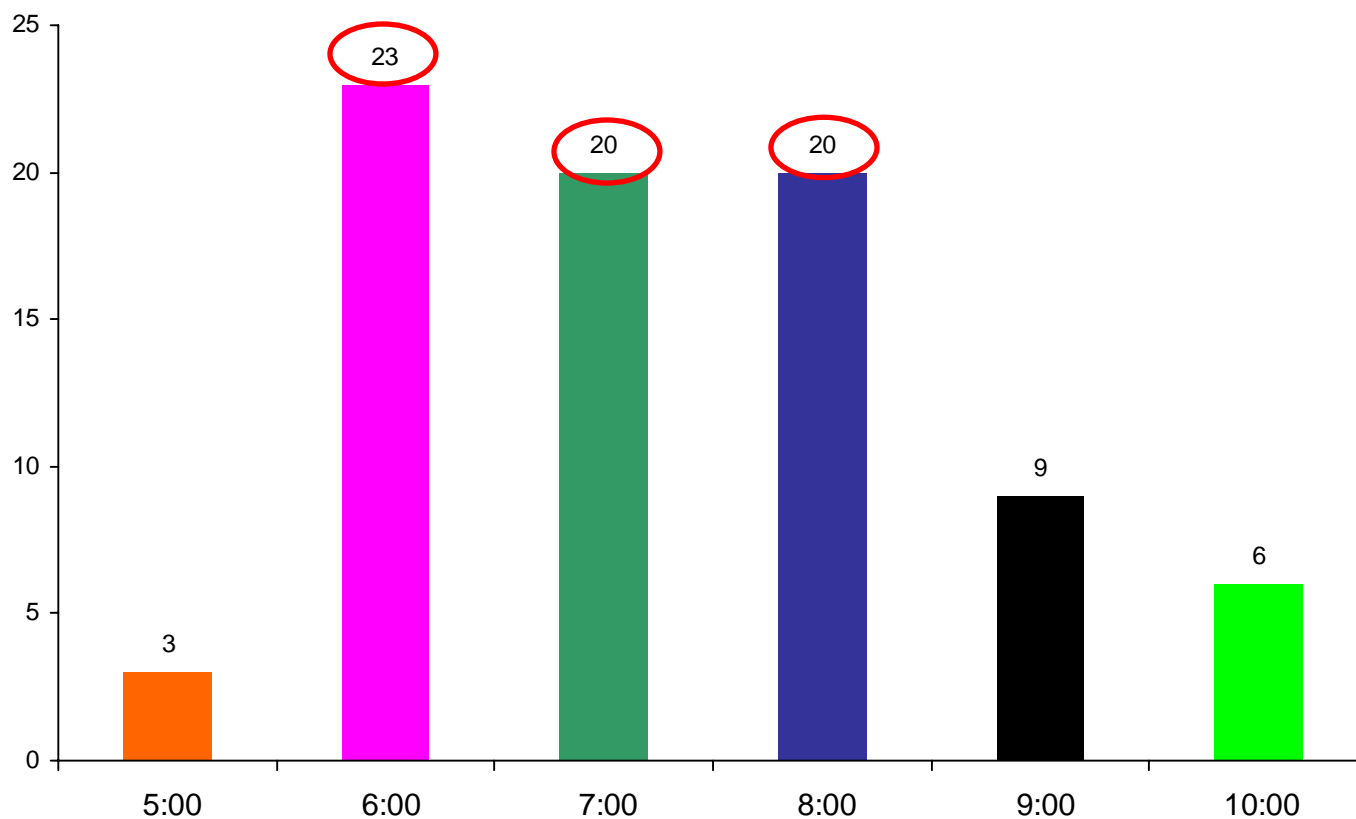


A majority of the traders don't know of any extension plans

Base: All with nearest power line on street/road/close by=238

Opening Time

Q. 24a "What time does your business usually open?"

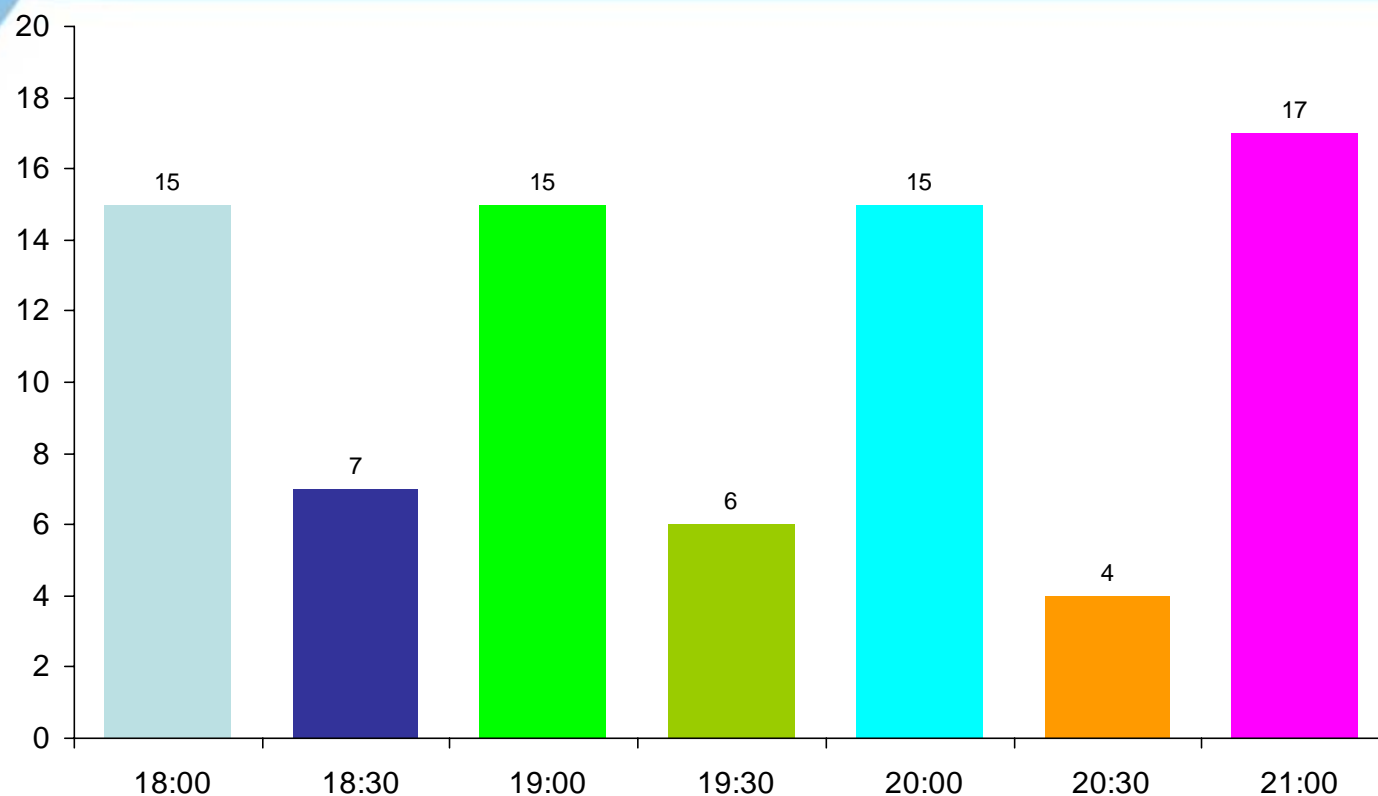


Most traders operate daily throughout the week with 65% opening on Sunday - the majority (63%) opening between 6.00am and 8.00am

Base: Total Sample=400

Closing Time

Q. 24b "What time does your business usually close?"



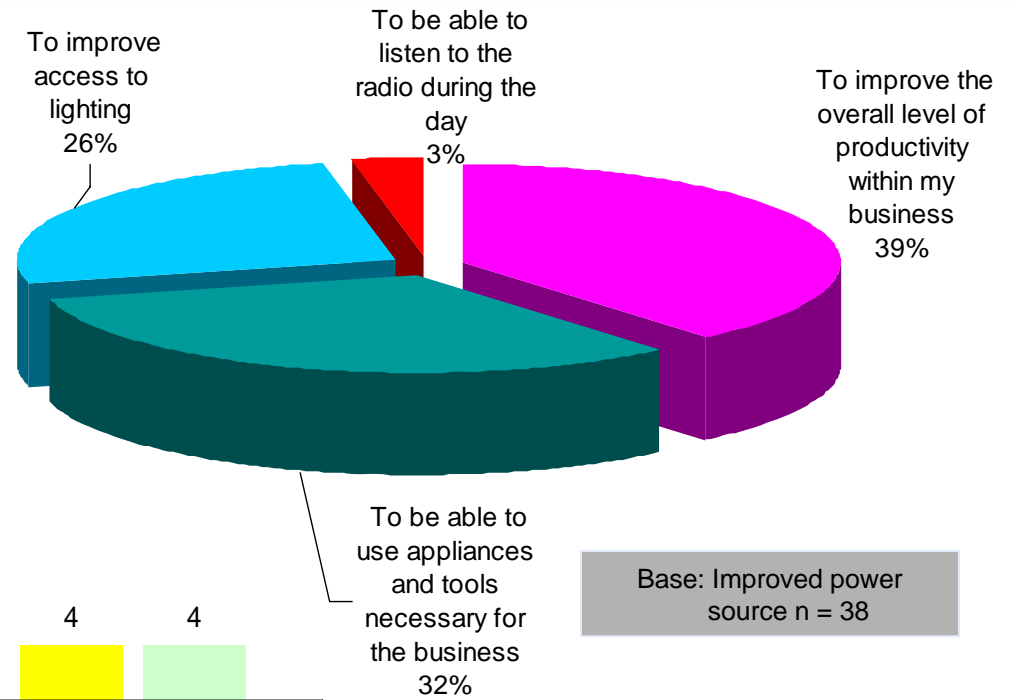
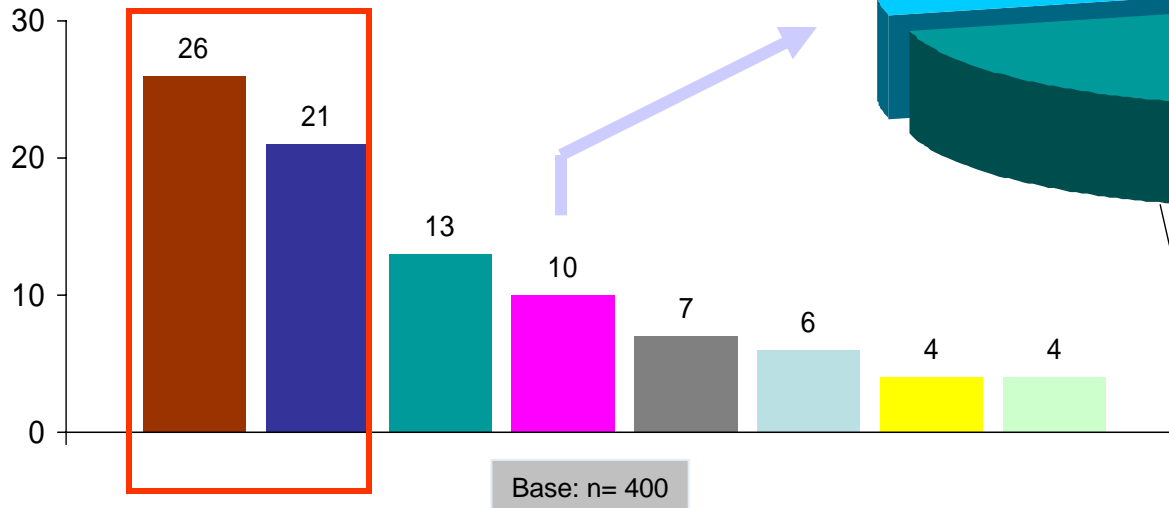
Many businesses close on average at 20:00 which means that they are open roughly between 12 and 14 hours a day. Lighting devices would be needed first thing in the morning before the sun is fully out and as soon as the sun starts to set in order to allow traders to adequately server their customers.

Base: Total Sample=400



Improvements to Business

Q. 4 "If there was one thing you could do to improve your business or its facilities...?"



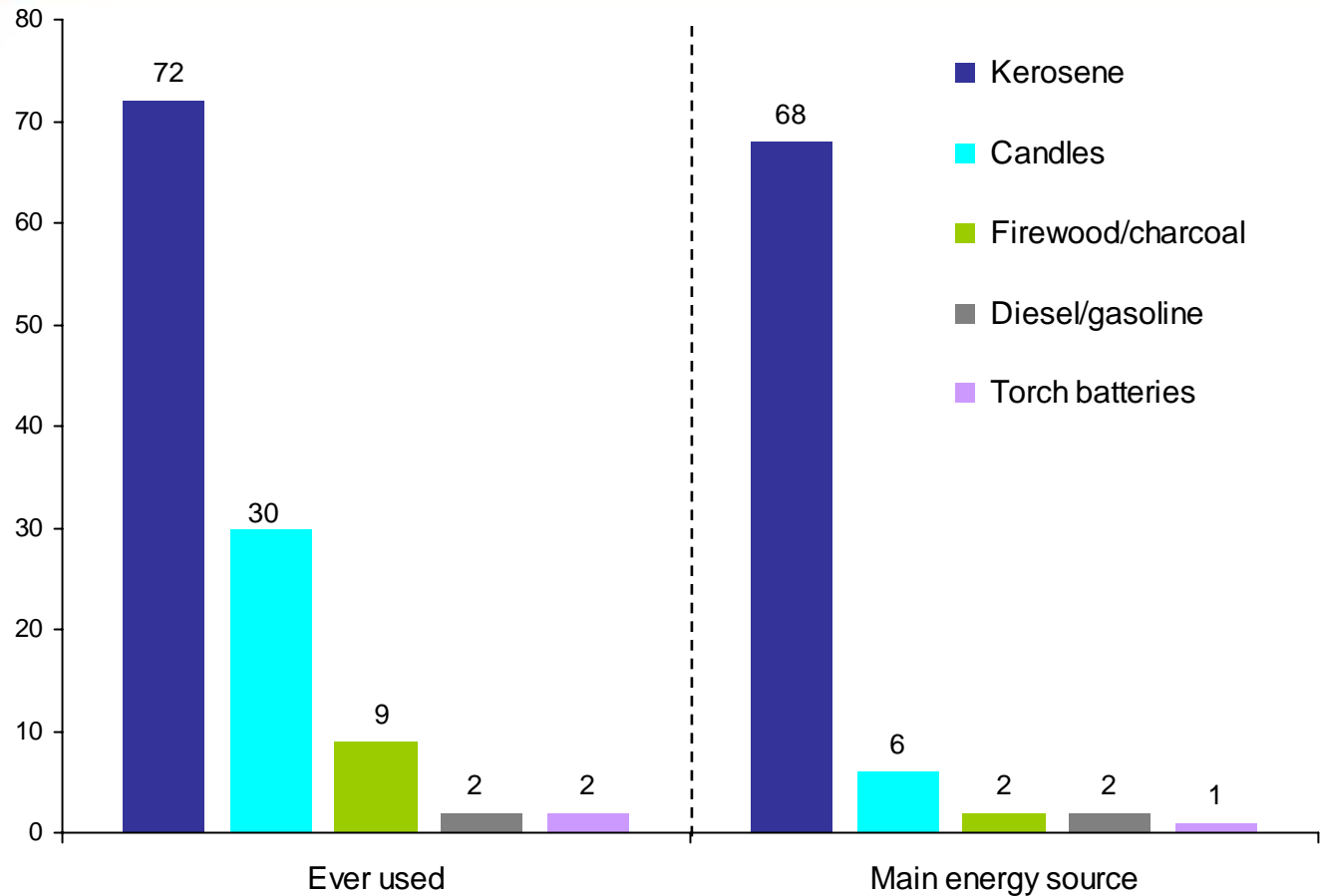
- Improved structure itself
- Better shelving / display
- Tools and equipment
- Better decoration
- Improved lighting
- Getting a power connection
- Improved furniture
- Security related items

Traders mostly wish to improve the structure of their premises. As second highest priority, improvement of lighting is also mentioned – those that mention getting a power connection mainly want to do so in order to improve access to lighting



Use of Energy Sources to Power Appliances/ Provide Light

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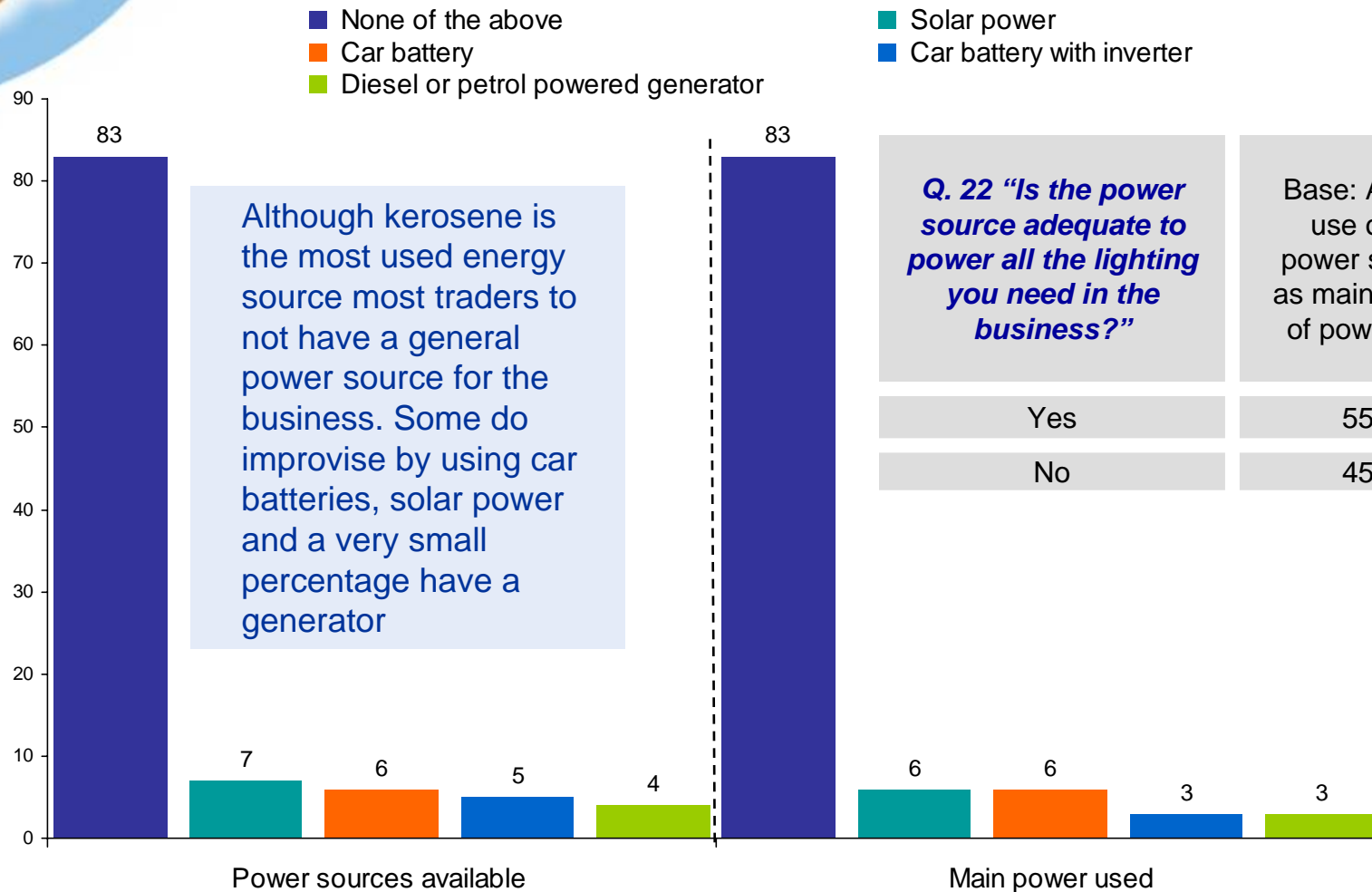


Due to its wide availability kerosene is the most popular source of power in many businesses, just like in many households. Candles are also used, though to a lesser extent



Other Energy Sources

Q. 20 "Do you have any of the following power sources in this business providing power generally to the business?"



Q. 22 "Is the power source adequate to power all the lighting you need in the business?"

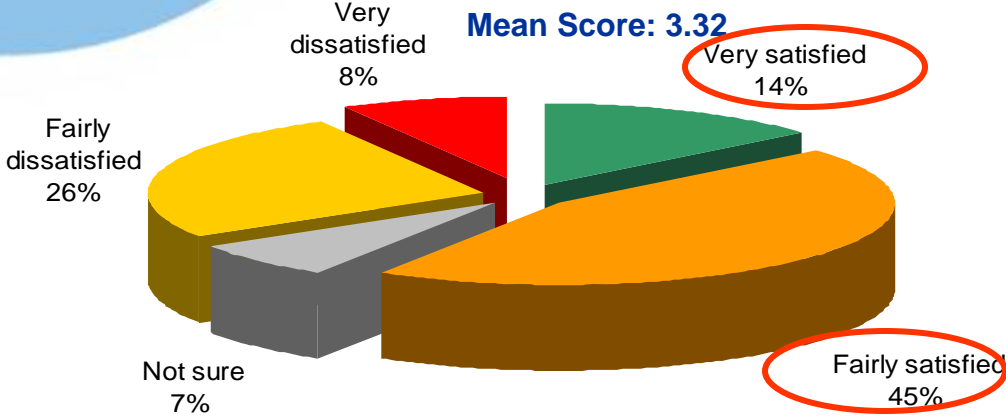
Base: All who use other power sources as main source of power =69

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| Yes | 55% |
| No | 45% |



Satisfaction Level and Limitations with Current Lighting

Q. 39 "How satisfied are you with the lighting in your business?"



Base: n = 400



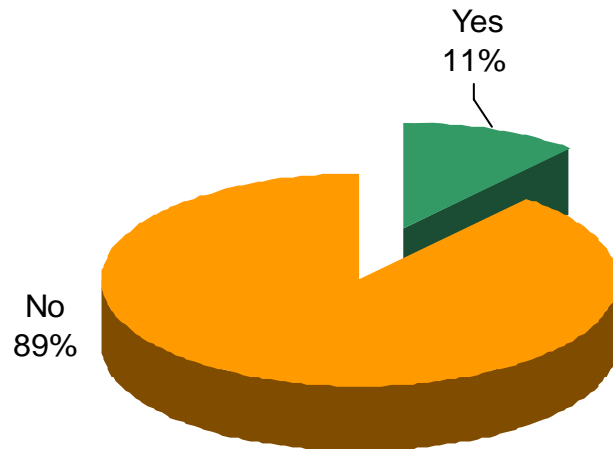
Limitations of current lighting

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|---|-----|
| The brightness is not enough | 26% |
| Poor customer service due to lack of lighting | 20% |
| I am unable to serve customers well | 14% |
| Lighting is not cost effective | 11% |
| Light produced by lamp is not strong enough | 11% |
| I am unable to complete my work at the required time | 6% |
| Poor lighting causes consumers not to Make the right choice | 4% |
| It is risky to operate my business after dark | 4% |

Use of Light

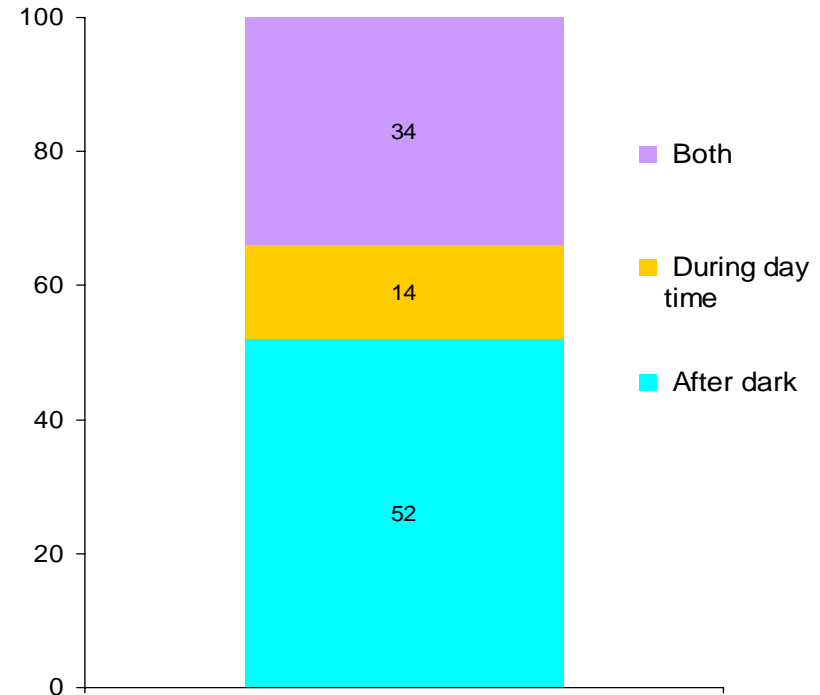


Q. 31 "Are any lights used at the premises during the day time?"



Base: Total sample =400

Q. 32 "Do you use these same lights after dark or during the day time or both?"



Base: All those who use lights during day and after work

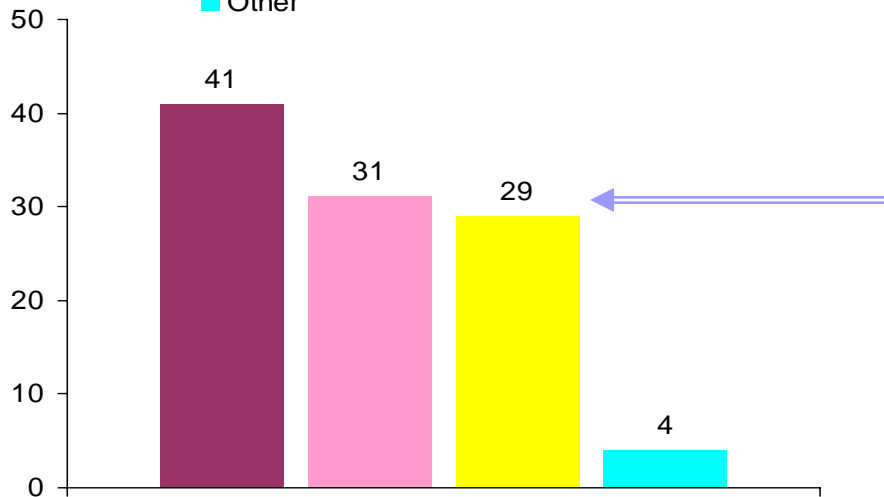
Generally Kenyan traders are more positive about the lighting of their business (59% some degree of satisfaction) than consumers are about their households. This is likely to be due to the fact that most use sunlight to light their work place during the day, which is available in abundance. Only 11% claim to use any lights during day time probably because the structures are small and dark inside. Those that use lights during day time, use the same lights after dark



Operating the Business after Dark

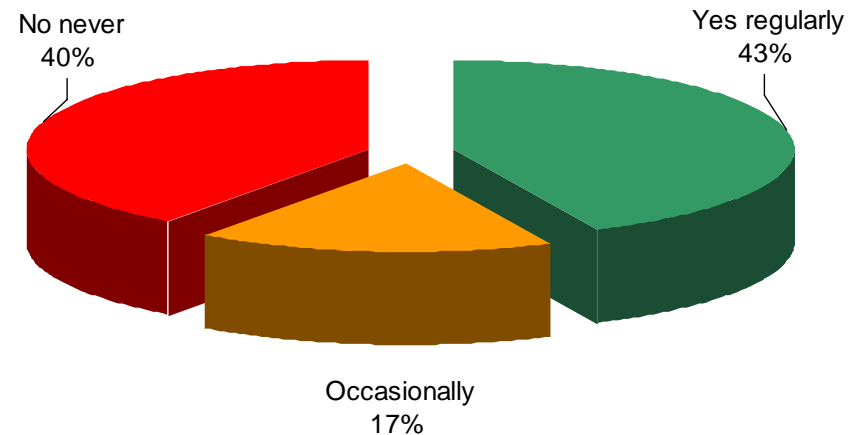
Q. 26 “Why do you currently not operate regularly after dark?”

- Lack of light makes it impossible to operate
- Lack of customers after hours
- Increased security risk
- Other



Base: All who do not open regularly after dark=206

Q. 25 “Does this business ever operate after dark?”



Base: Total sample = 400

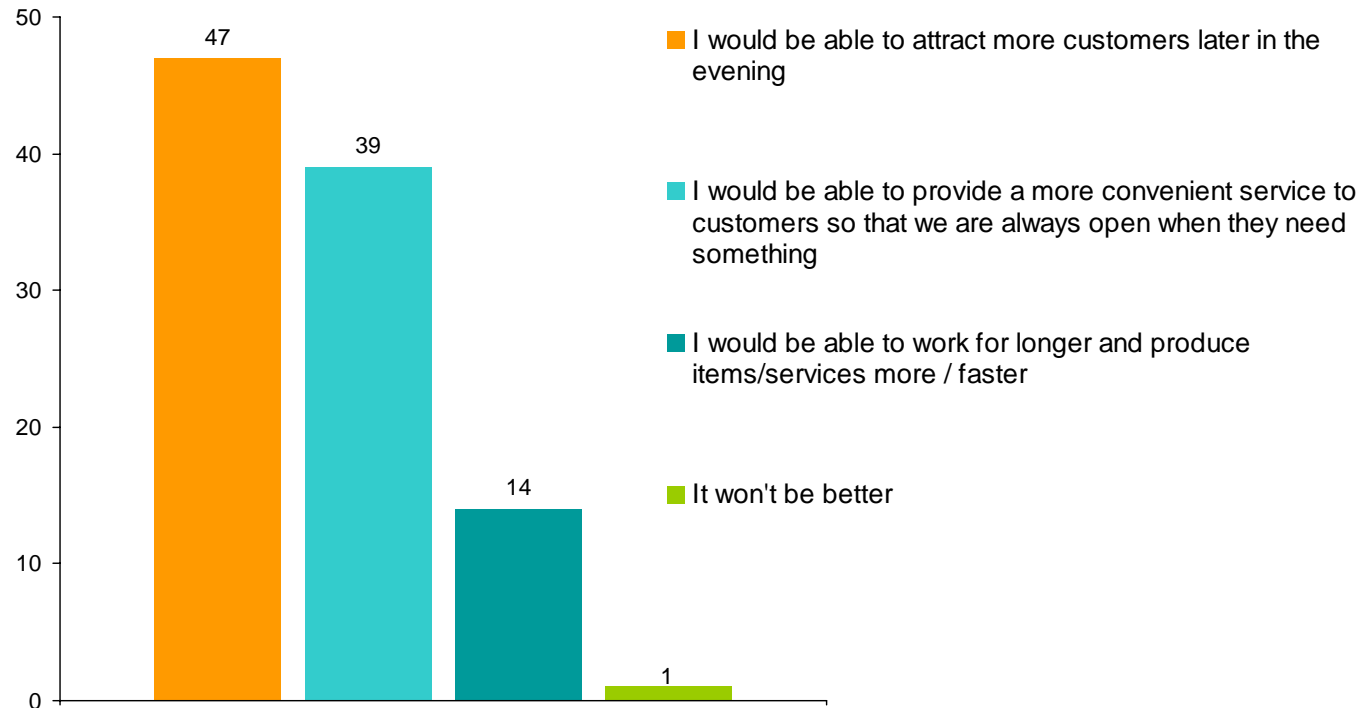
***Q28 not charted**

Lack of light is identified by 41% of traders as the main reason for not operating after dark. 43% of traders would operate regularly after dark if their lighting system improved - most of the traders who state they would open regularly (90%) believe that opening the business after dark would enable them to make more money



Opening after Dark

Q. 29 "How would customers respond to you staying open at night?"



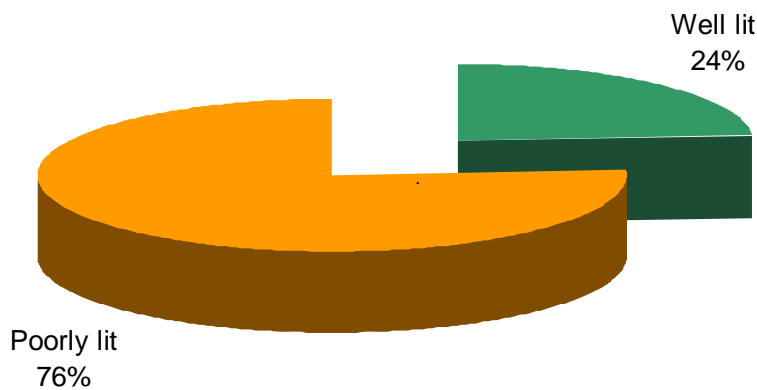
Though lighting is a barrier towards opening after dark, traders are in agreement that opening after dark would be a step in the right direction towards bringing in more customers

Base: All would want to open after dark = 124



Rating for Lighting Outside the Business and its Limitations

Q. 40b “How would you rate the level of lighting outside your business?”



Base (261) = all those who light their business

Q. 40c “How does the available lighting outside of your business limit you in terms of running your business, if at all?”

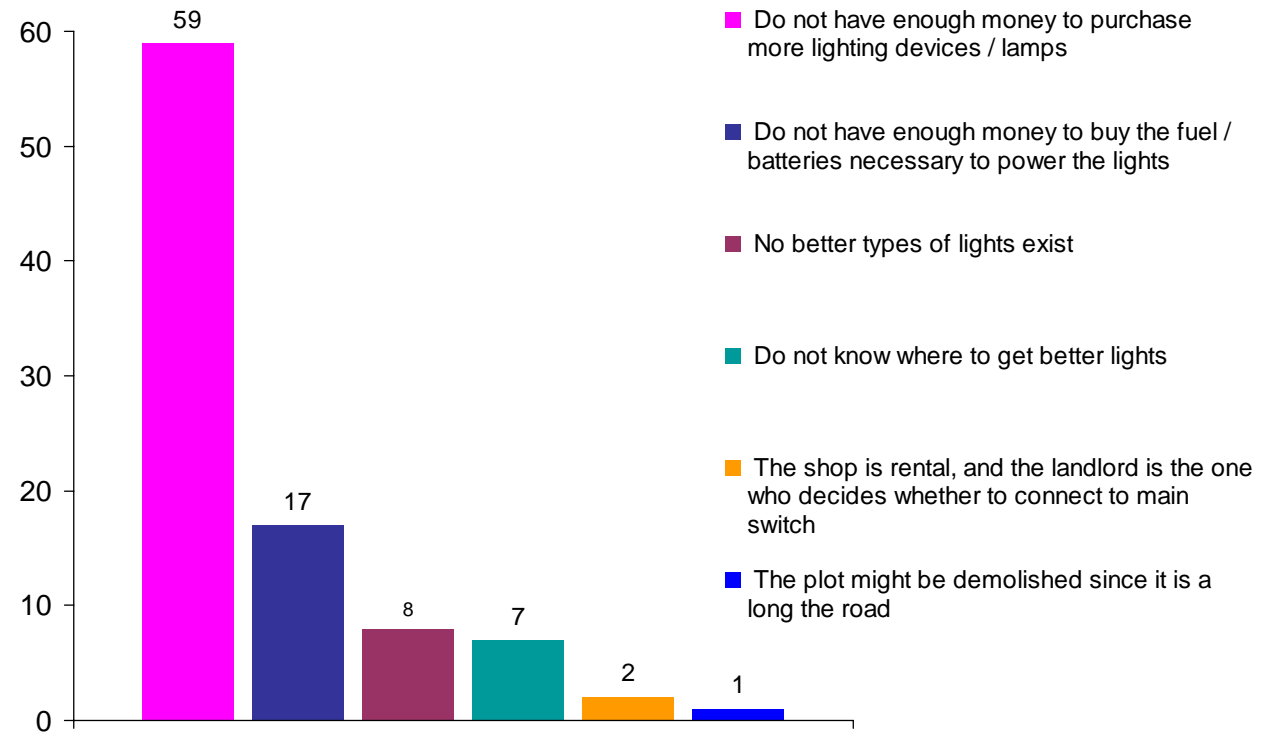
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|---|-----|
| There is no security, hence cannot operate the business after dark | 56% |
| Customers don't see the shop clearly, so they don't shop after dark | 19% |
| I cannot see customers' faces clearly because They buy from outside | 15% |
| Sometimes customers tend to think that the Business has closed down due to lack of enough light | 7% |
| The customers feel insecure | 4% |

Generally lack of lighting is a security threat to many businesses as they are unable to operate after dark, thus limiting their sales and hence profits



Barriers to Improving Lighting

Q. 41 "What are the barriers to improving the lighting for your business?"



The biggest barrier towards improving lighting in businesses is lack of money to purchase more lighting. Modern lighting products will therefore have to be cheap and affordable for small business owners to be encouraged to buy

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CURRENT LIGHTING DEVICES



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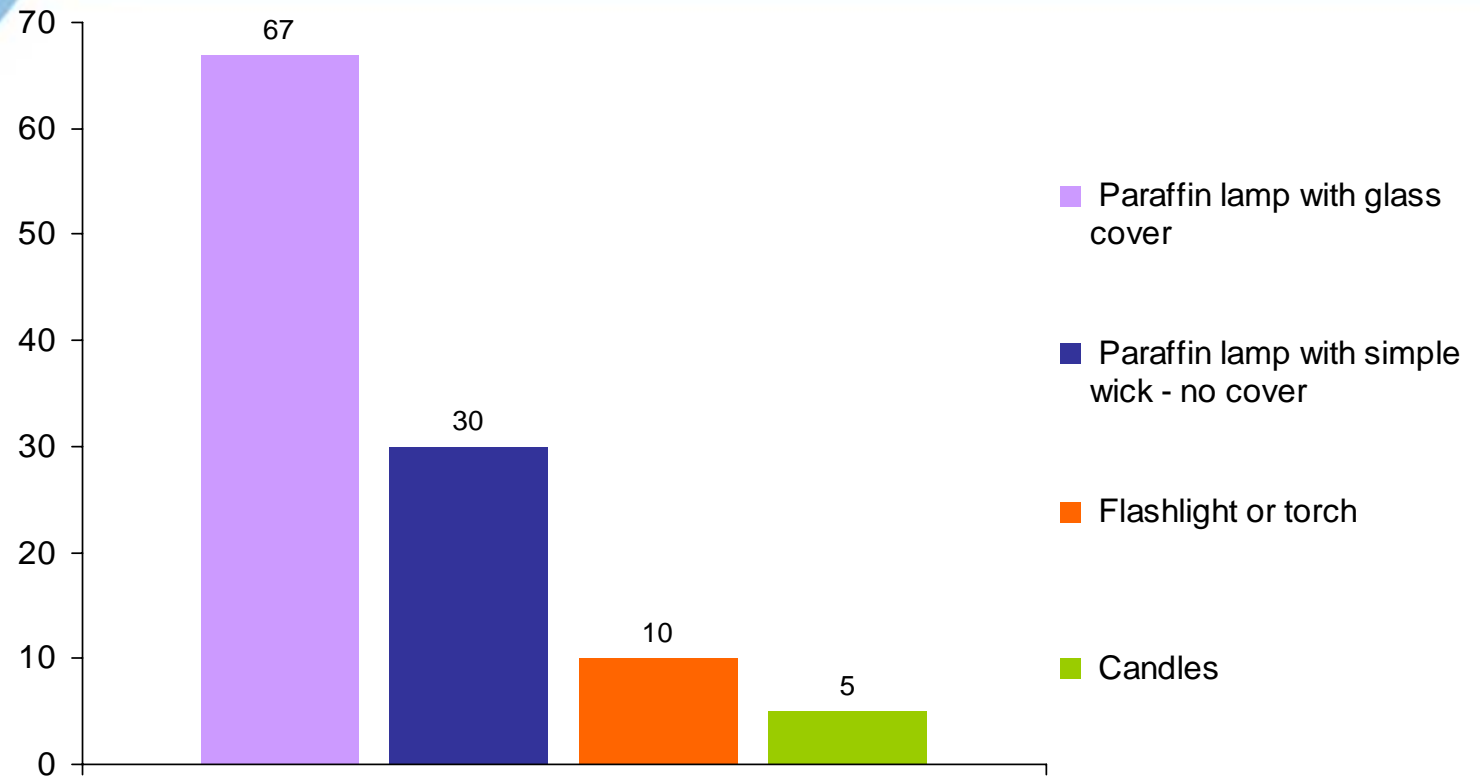
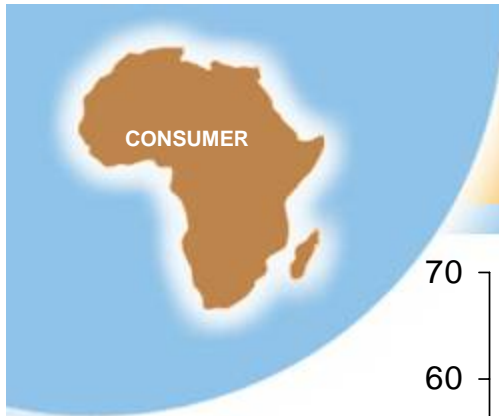
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Types of Lighting Devices Used

Q. 34 "What, if anything, was used to light the main room last night?"

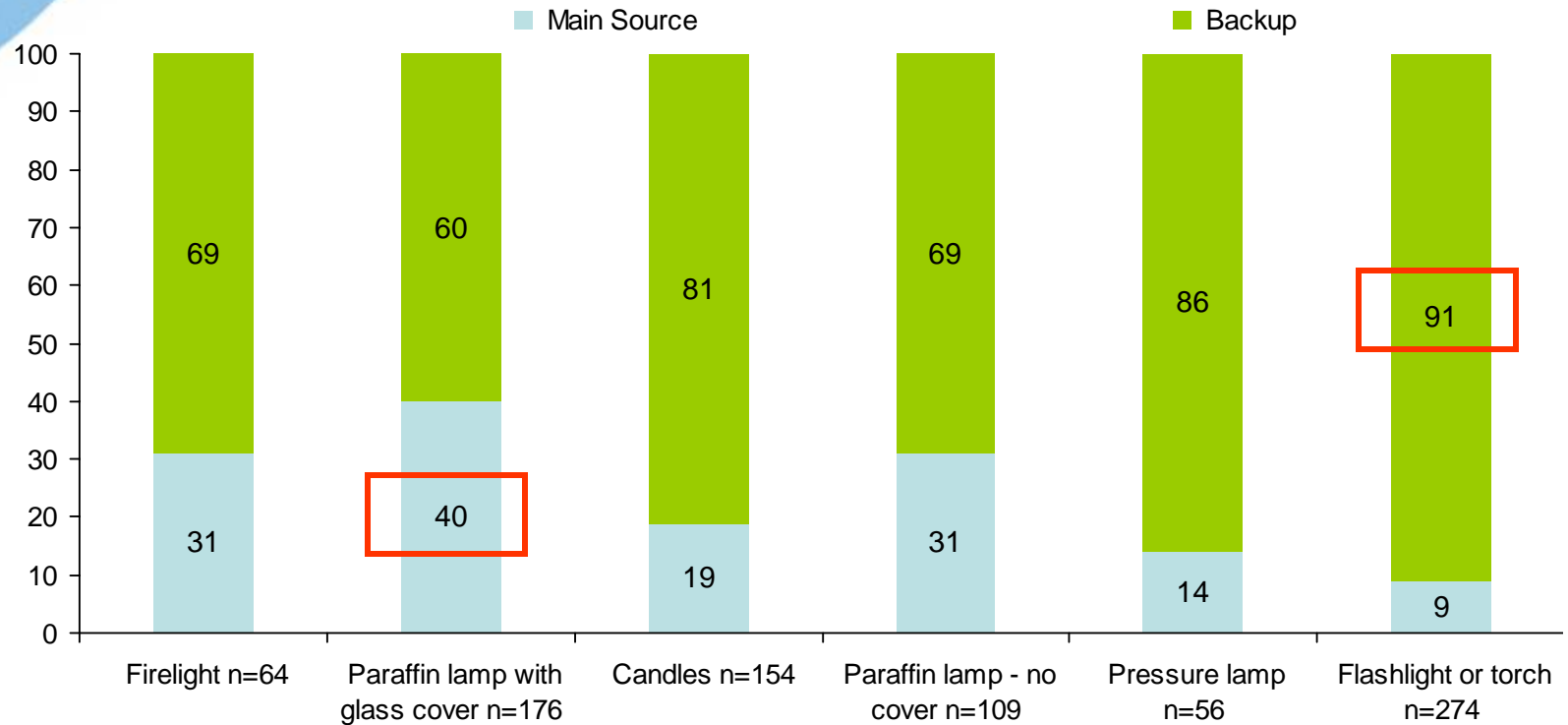


Paraffin devices are the most widely used types of lighting devices. On average 7 in every 10 Kenyan households use a paraffin lamp with glass cover. They are affordable selling at around US \$6.06 each and paraffin is widely available



Back-Up Lighting

Q. 49d "Generally do you use as a main source or a back-up when main lighting not available?"



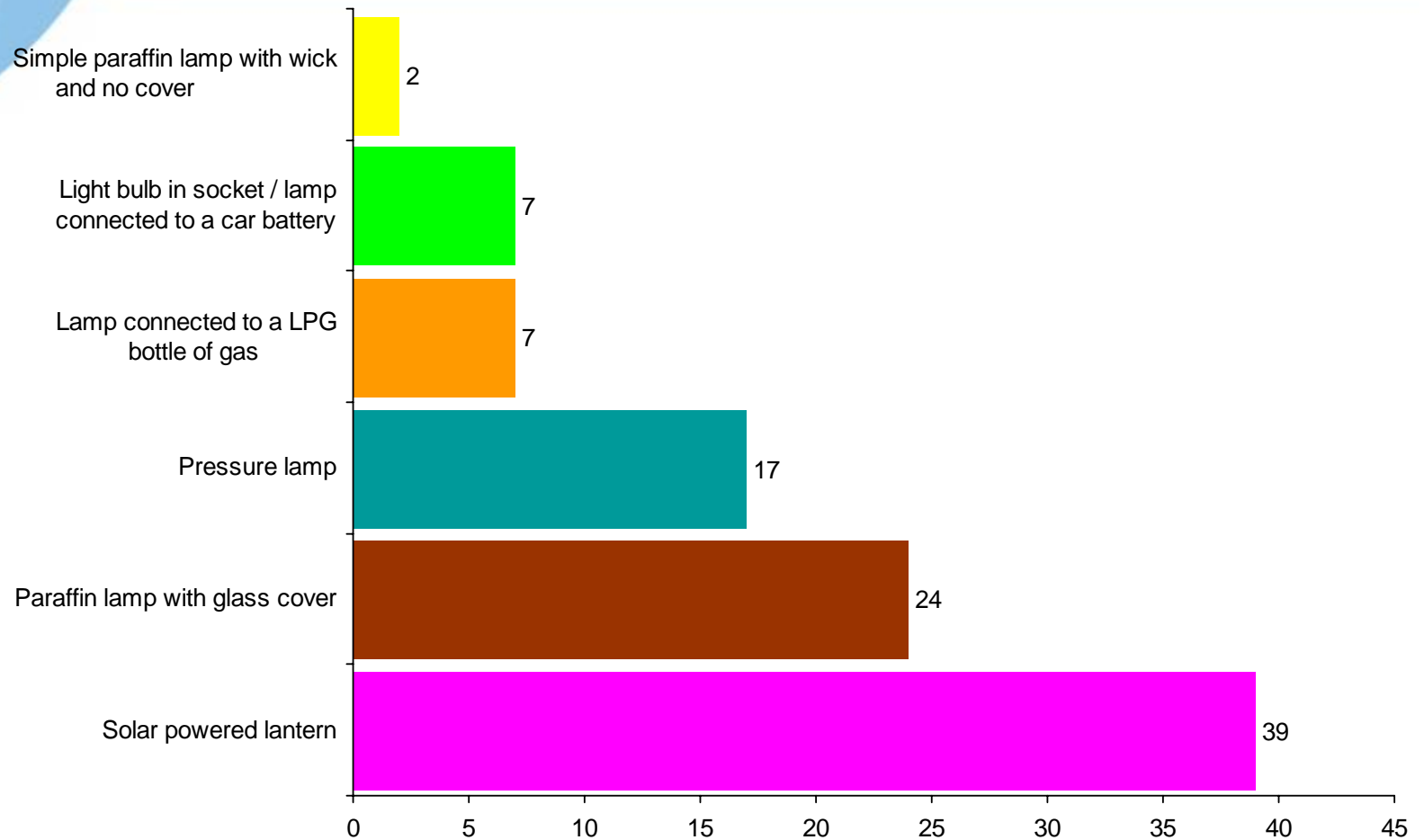
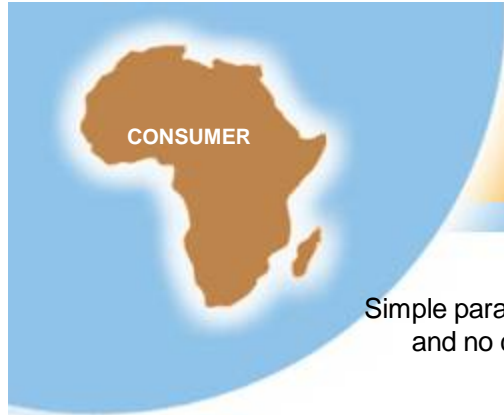
Paraffin lamp with glass cover is mostly used as main source of lighting, while a flashlight is used as backup lighting device in most households. Very low LSMs (1 and 2) have a higher usage of firewood as a lighting device due to the fact that they obtain the wood free by chopping and collecting as convenient

Lamp connected to gas bottle, Light bulb in socket/lamp and Lantern have been removed due to small base sizes

Base: All with in working order

Preferred Type of Lighting Device

Q. 58 "What is your preferred type of light excluding mains powered light bulbs?"

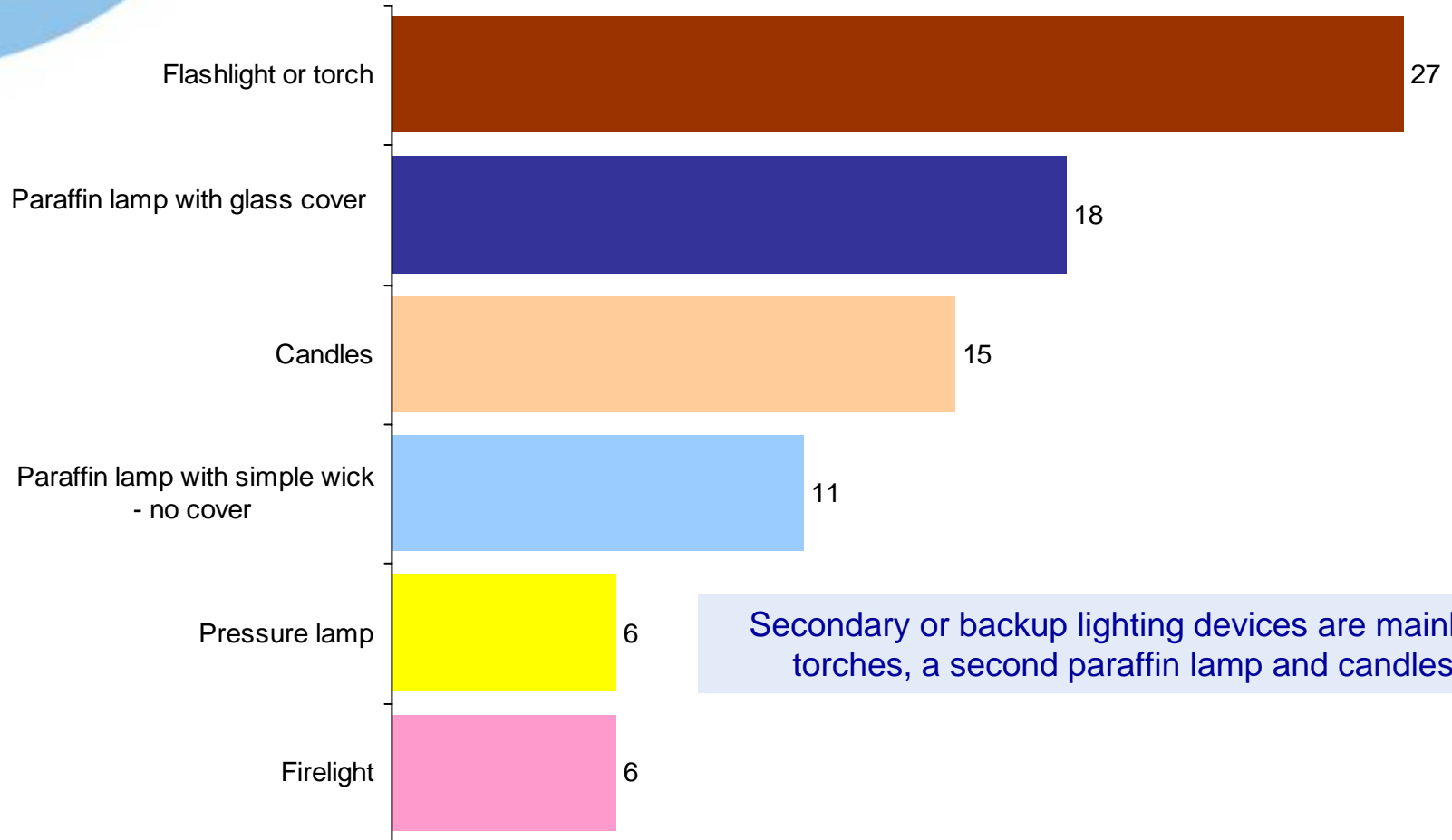


Solar powered lanterns are the most preferred type of lights due to the fact that they are seen to be up market and sophisticated thus aspirational. Additionally consumer like the fact there is not refueling necessary and that they are safe.



Other Lighting Devices Available

Q. 49a "Apart from all the lighting methods and devices which you used last night, what other lighting devices are available to this HH in working order?"



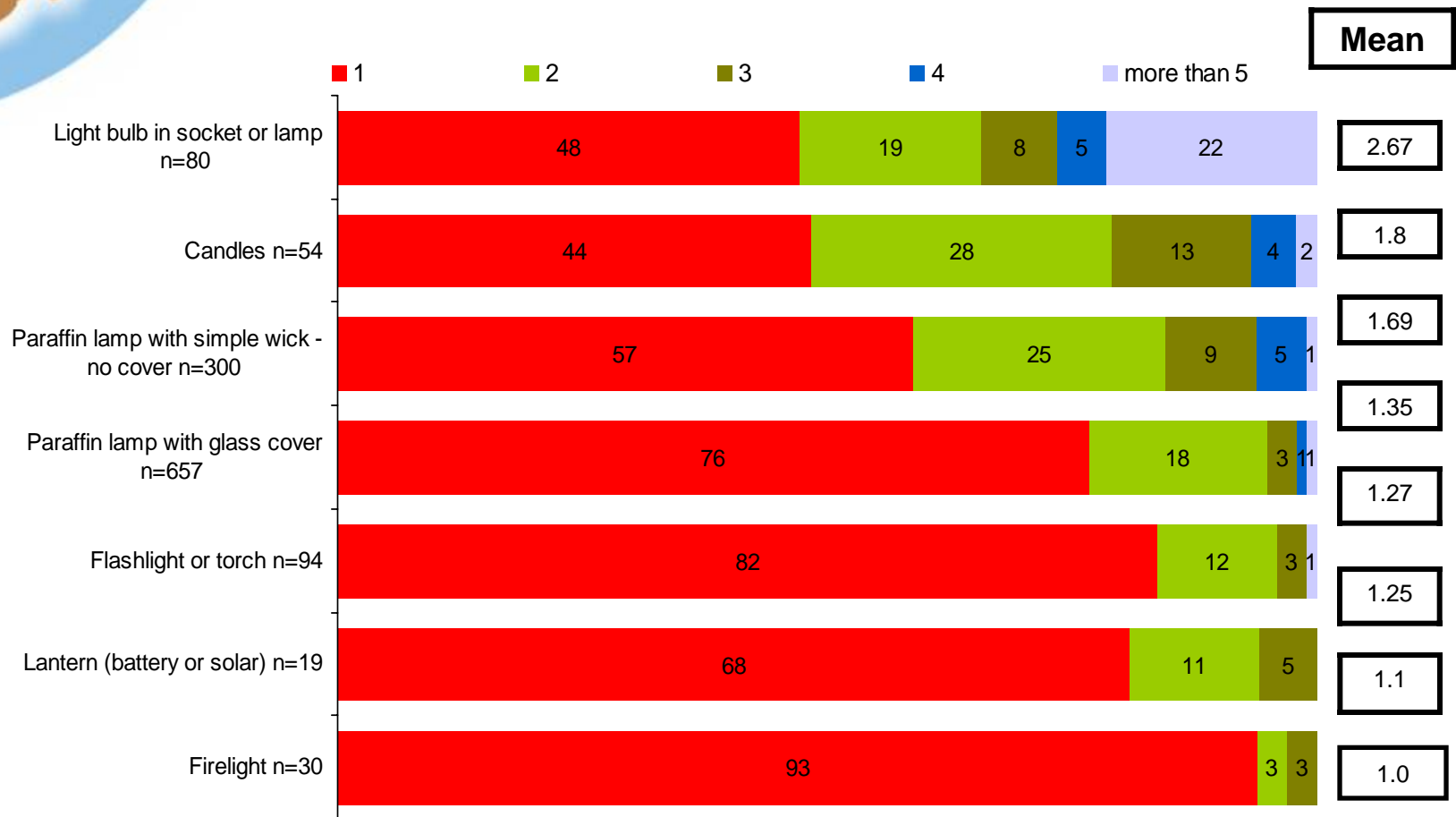
Secondary or backup lighting devices are mainly torches, a second paraffin lamp and candles.

Base = Total sample=1000



Number of Each Lighting Devices Used

Q. 35 "How many of each lighting device were used?"



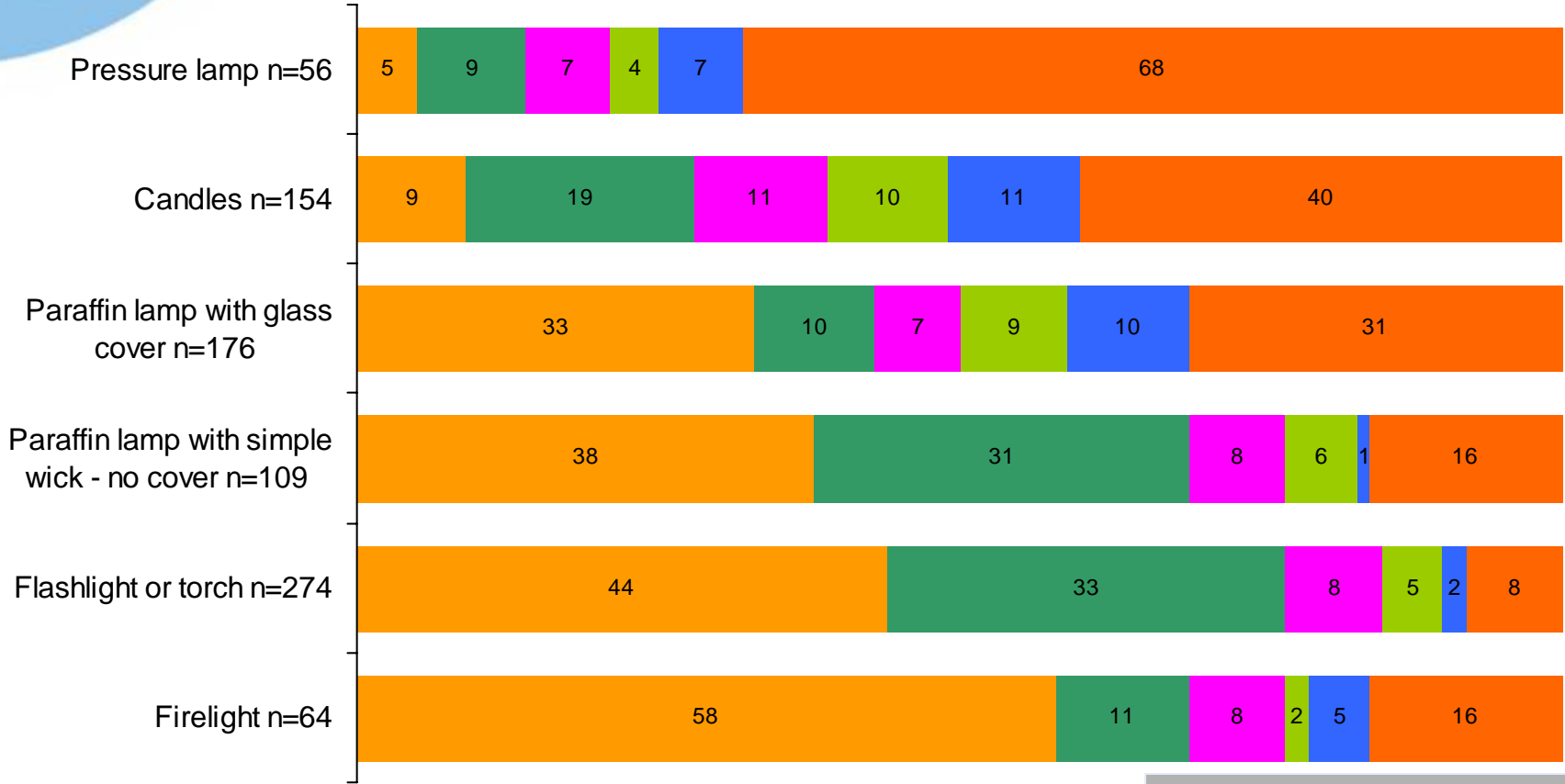
On average between 1 and 2 lighting devices are used at a time to light consumer premises



Frequency of Using Lighting Devices

Q. 49c "How often do you use each type of lighting owned?"

- Every day
- 2 to 3 times a week
- Once a week
- Every other week
- Once a month
- Less often than once a month



Base: All with in working order

The flashlight or torch is the most frequently used lighting device, however it is used for short periods only and as a backup to the main device. The paraffin lamp with glass cover is the next most used device, as it takes more fuel to light this lamp it is used interchangeably with the tin lamp (simple wick no cover). Firelight is also used regularly however this remains more prominent amongst lower LSM groups.



Strengths of Types of Lighting

Q. 36b "What would you say are the strengths of this type of lighting?"

There are many factors that influence choice in lighting for consumers. The main ones are lighting clarity, availability, ease of use, portability and affordability of device

| | Total | Firelight | Paraffin lamp with glass cover | Candles | Paraffin lamp with simple wick - no cover | Light bulb in socket or lamp | Flashlight or torch |
|---|-------|-----------|--------------------------------|---------|---|------------------------------|---------------------|
| Base: Total Sample | 1000 | 30 | 669 | 52 | 298 | 81 | 95 |
| It has very clear lighting | 19 | 7 | 18 | 15 | 11 | 56 | 24 |
| It is portable from one place to another | 14 | 10 | 16 | 13 | 12 | 2 | 18 |
| It is easy to operate | 12 | 10 | 12 | 10 | 10 | 12 | 11 |
| It does not produce smoke / does not pollute the air | 12 | 10 | 14 | 13 | 12 | 5 | 8 |
| It is easily available | 11 | 17 | 11 | 12 | 11 | 2 | 12 |
| The device is cheap | 10 | 7 | 9 | 16 | 17 | 2 | 11 |
| Paraffin lamp glass is affordable | 9 | - | 22 | 6 | 25 | 5 | 7 |
| It is economical to use | 9 | 3 | 6 | 8 | 15 | 4 | 8 |
| The light is not too bright but enough for the room | 8 | 7 | 8 | 10 | 7 | 17 | 7 |
| Easy to maintain the lamp | 7 | 13 | 8 | 6 | 6 | - | 5 |
| The device is reliable since it doesn't go off easily | 6 | 7 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 7 | 12 |

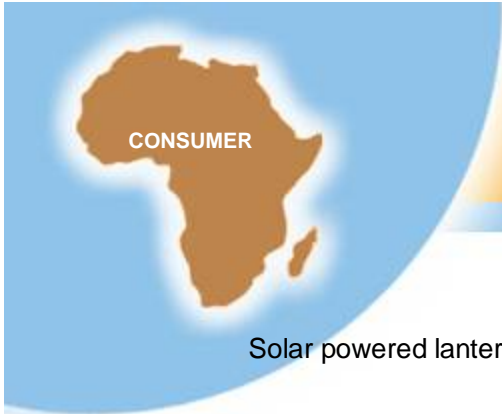


Weaknesses of Types of Lighting

Q. 36c "What would you say are the weaknesses of this type of lighting?"

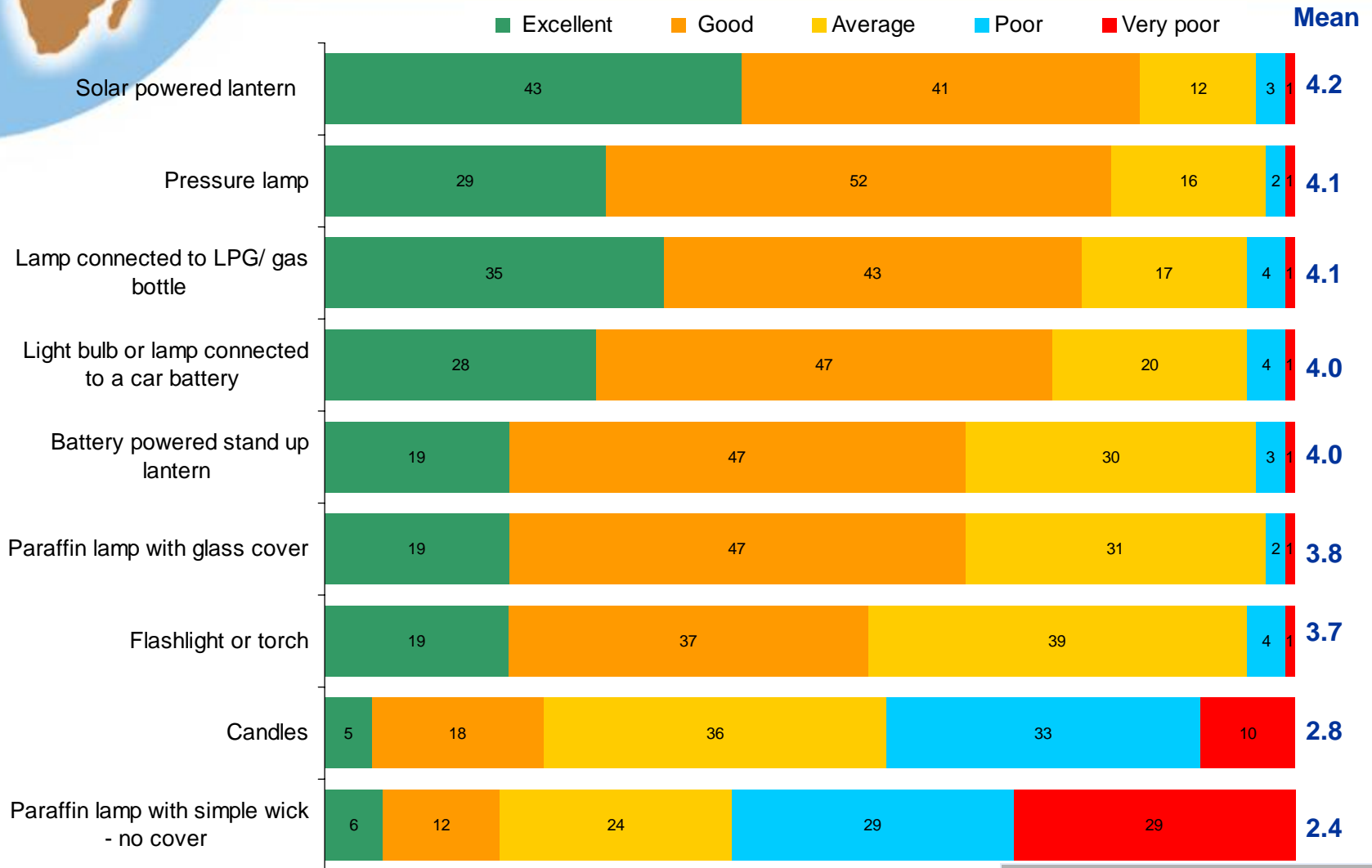
The major weakness of the devices commonly used in many Kenyan households are: lack of adequate lighting, cost of acquisition and maintenance. The greatest weakness for light bulb in socket is the frequent power cuts

| | Total | Firelight | Paraffin lamp (glass cover) | Candles | Paraffin lamp (wick – no cover) | Light bulb in socket or lamp | Flashlight or torch |
|---|-------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Base samples | 1000 | 30 | 669 | 52 | 298 | 81 | 95 |
| Does not provide adequate lighting | 27 | 43 | 33 | 25 | 23 | 5 | 27 |
| It is expensive | 19 | 17 | 25 | 19 | 11 | 10 | 25 |
| It is too smoky, hence pollutes the air | 18 | 10 | 14 | 13 | 34 | 1 | 11 |
| It's delicate hence must be handled with care | 10 | 13 | 14 | 8 | 3 | 6 | 9 |
| Go off easily when blown by wind | 7 | 7 | 4 | 8 | 15 | 4 | 7 |
| It is a health hazard | 7 | 7 | 6 | 13 | 12 | 6 | 5 |
| It can easily burn the house | 6 | 3 | 4 | 10 | 11 | 10 | 6 |
| Stresses the eyes during use | 5 | - | 2 | 6 | 12 | 1 | 2 |
| It has some inconveniences like kerosene drying in the middle of the night | 5 | 3 | 7 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 5 |
| It's not long lasting | 4 | 3 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 4 | 6 |
| Power cuts are so frequent | 3 | - | 1 | 4 | n | 38 | 1 |



Rating on Quality

Q. 56 "For each of the devices that I read, how would you generally rate the quality?"

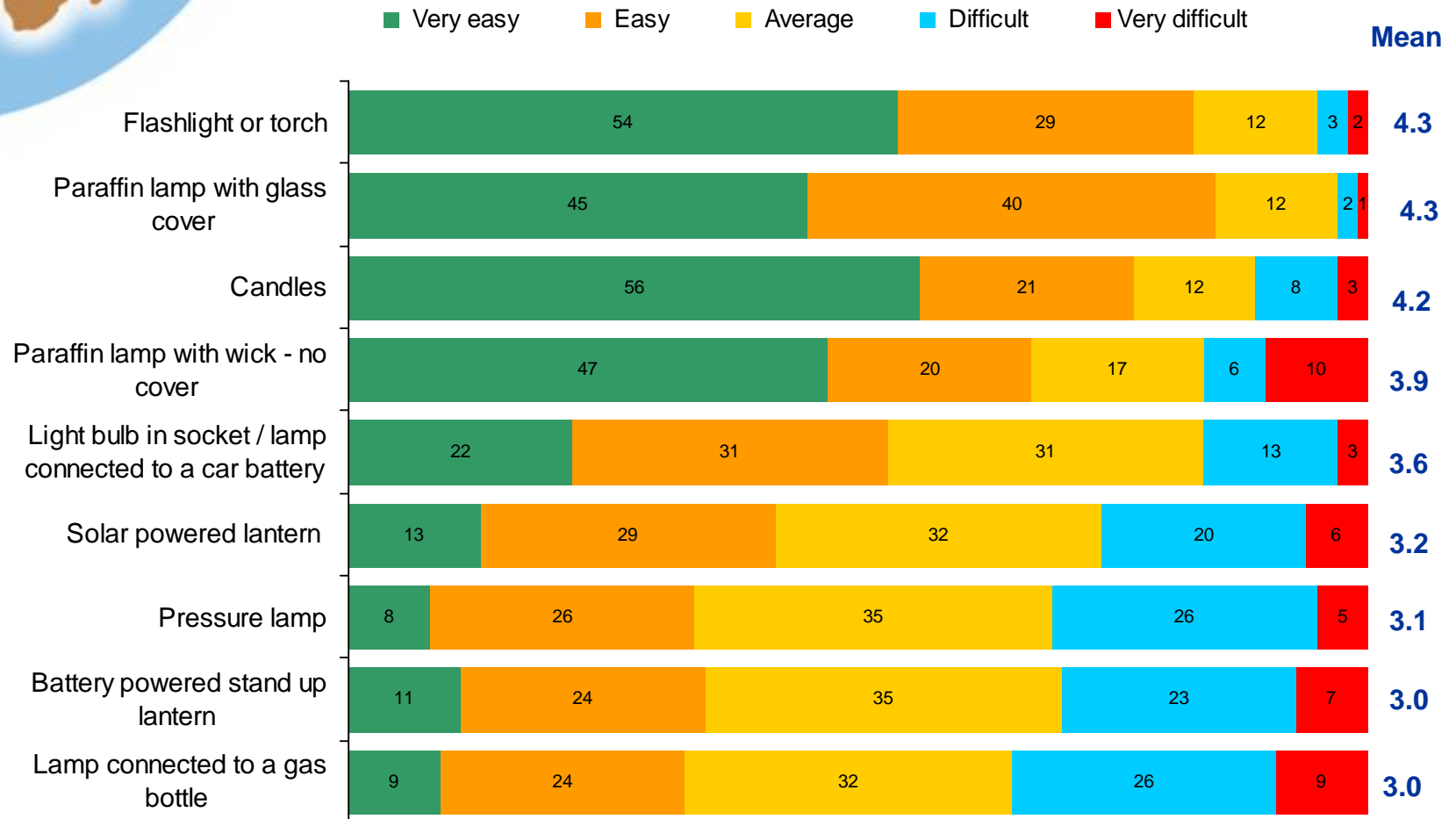


Base (consumer): Total sample =1000



Rating on Ease of Operation

Q. 57 "For each of these devices how would you rate the ease of operation?"

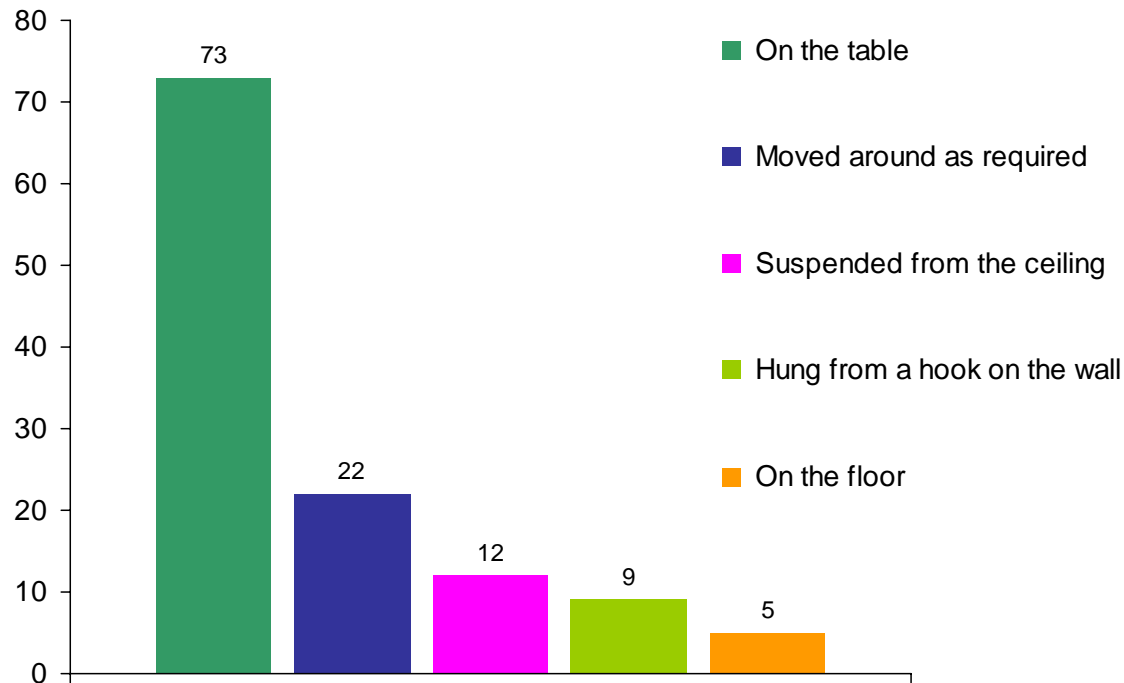


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Placement of Lighting Devices

Q. 36a "Where were the lights in the main room located?"

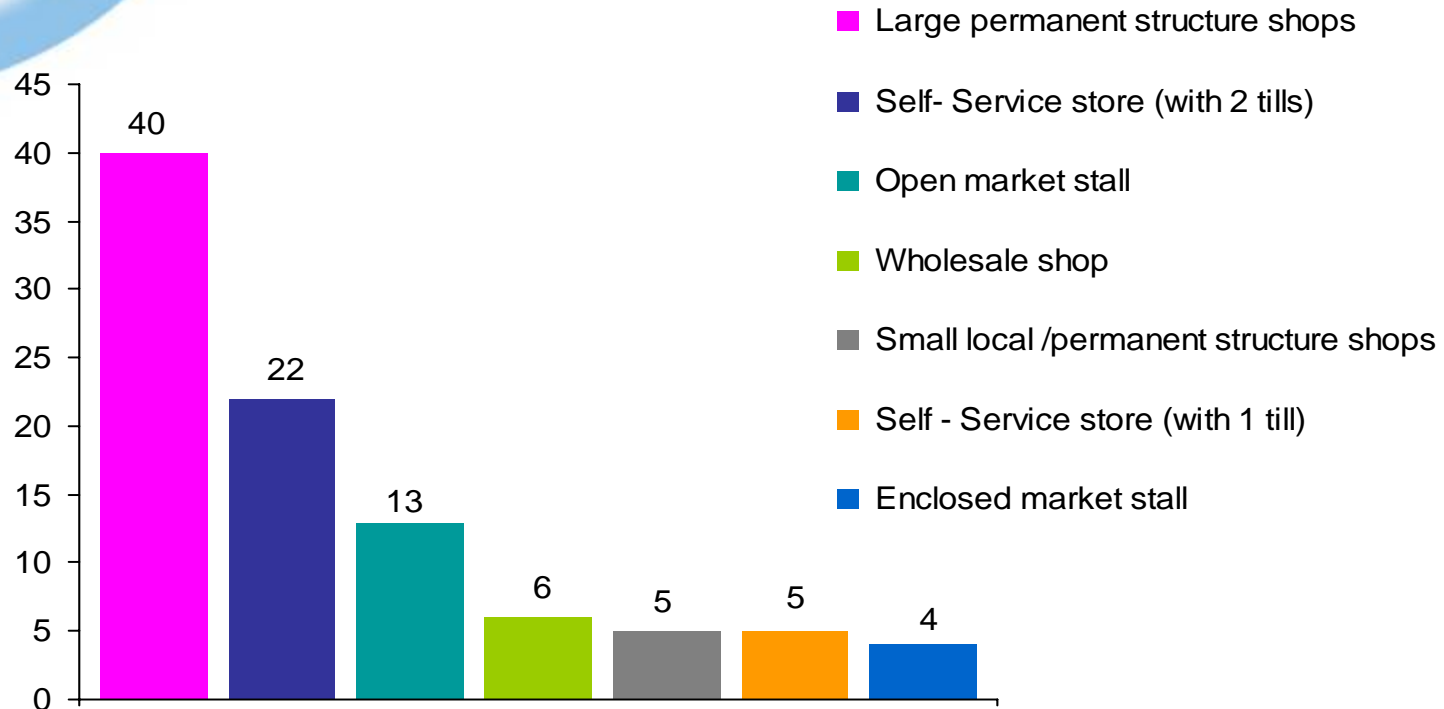


Lights are usually placed in a central position, normally on a table, in a room. There is usually just one light for a room and placing it on a table in the centre of a room ensures that the light spreads and covers a bigger area, so that everyone in the room is able to use it at the same time



Place of Purchase

Q. 55 "I am now going to read out a list of lighting devices, for each one I would like you to tell me where you would generally purchase these?"



The most common place of purchase for lighting devices is large permanent structure shops.



Purchasing Paraffin/Kerosene

Q. 51 "How do you usually buy your paraffin/kerosene; in litres or another measurement?"

Besides lighting kerosene is mainly used for cooking purposes. Kerosene is mainly obtained from the pump. Bottles and Gallon containers are also used to carry kerosene bought in liters from pumps

***Q53a not charted
– answer
integrated into
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Others 12%

Bottles 10%

**Kerosene pump
78%**



***Q53a not charted**

Health Effects of Paraffin / Kerosene



Q. 53b “Do you worry about the health effects of using paraffin/kerosene?”



Base: All who use Paraffin/Kerosene= 908

Q. 53c “What do you worry about in terms of health effects?”

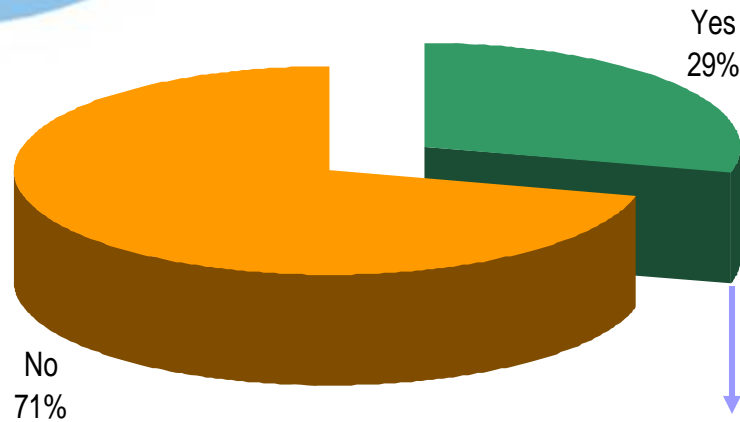
| | |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| Coughing | 52% |
| Causes asthma | 23% |
| Makes eyes itch | 15% |
| Children can drink the paraffin | 9% |
| Smell of paraffin in cooked food | 8% |
| Can cause fire in the house | 6% |
| Pungent smell/difficulty breathing | 6% |

Paraffin is the most widely used source of power and light in Kenyan households since it is easily available. 56% of our sample do not worry about the health effects of using it mostly due to lack of awareness. From the 44% that worry about health effects most say paraffin causes them to cough



Environmental Effects of Paraffin / Kerosene

Q. 53d “Do you ever worry about the environmental effects of using paraffin/kerosene?”



71% of respondents do not worry about environmental effects of paraffin. Again, this is due to lack of awareness of the negative effects kerosene might have. A few respondents feel paraffin smoke is hazardous to the environment

Environmental effects of using paraffin/kerosene:

| | |
|---|-----|
| The smoke produced is hazardous to vegetation and animals | 54% |
| It can make the house get fire destroying property | 48% |

Base: All who use Paraffin/Kerosene= 908

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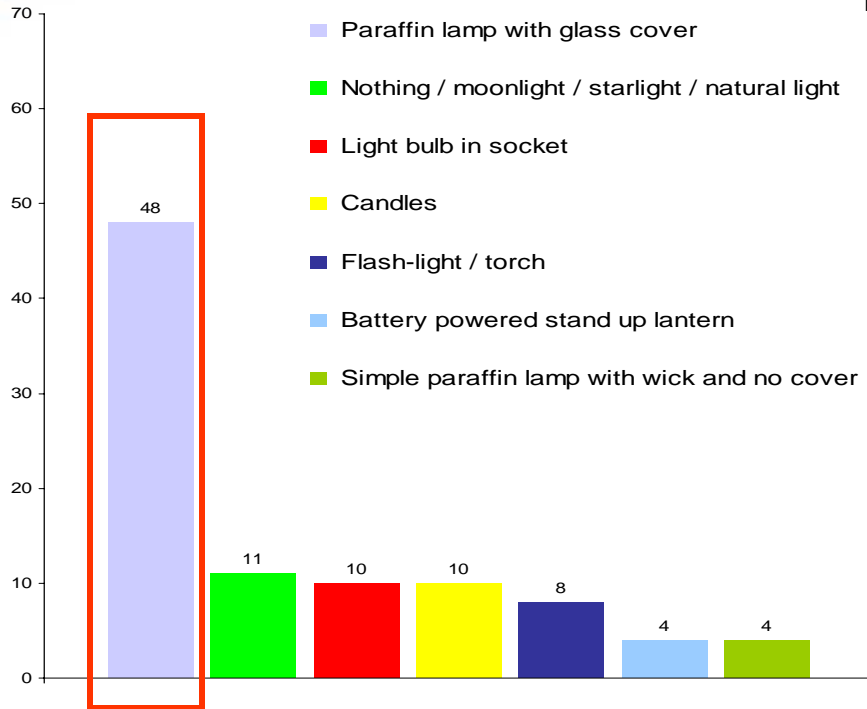
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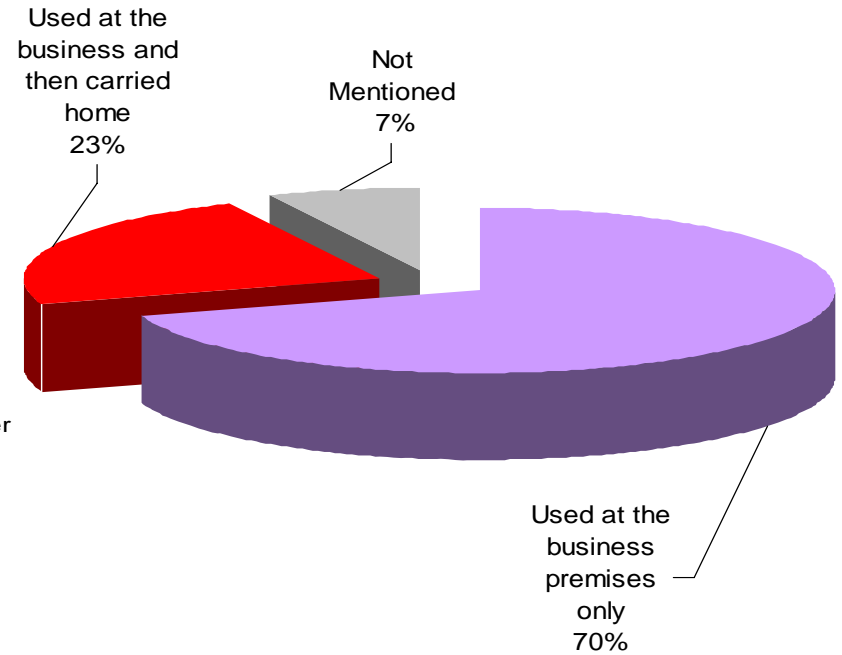
Types of Lighting Devices and where Used

Q. 33 “What if anything is used to light the business?”



Base: All who use lights in their business = 261

Q. 38 “Whether the lights are carried home or only used at the business premises”



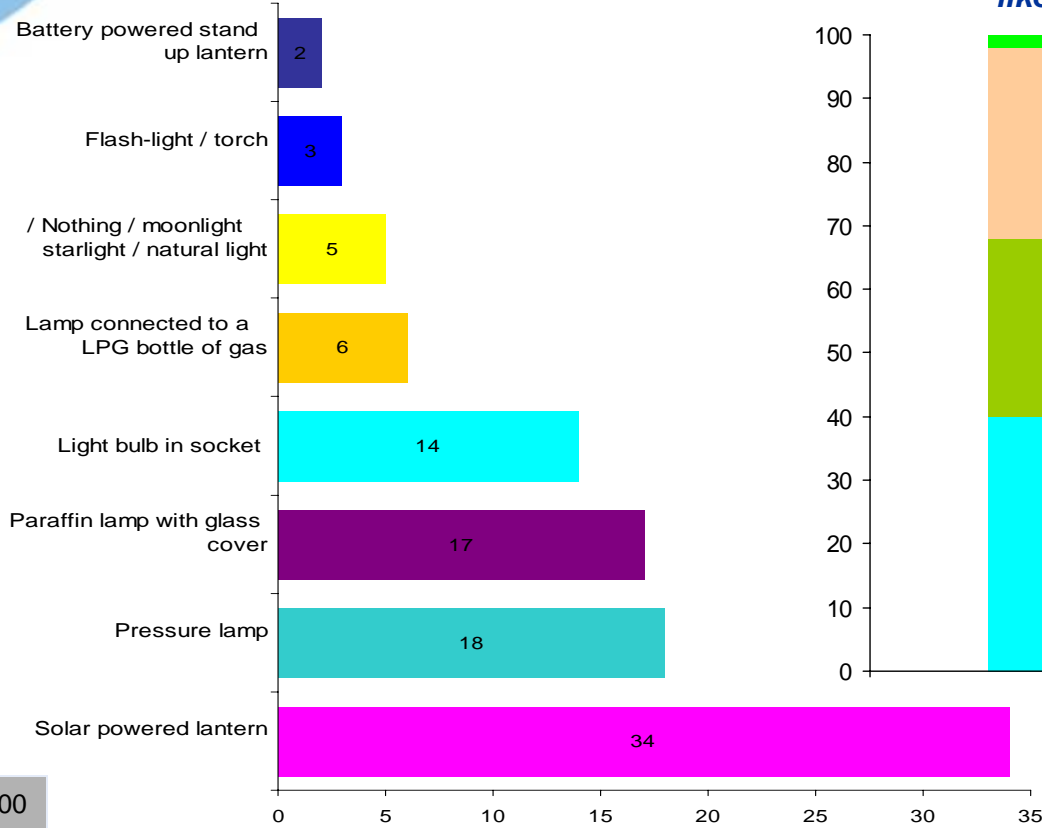
Base (261) = all those who light their business

The most commonly used lighting device is a paraffin lamp with glass cover. These devices are only used at business premises and left there as traders have another set for use in their homes

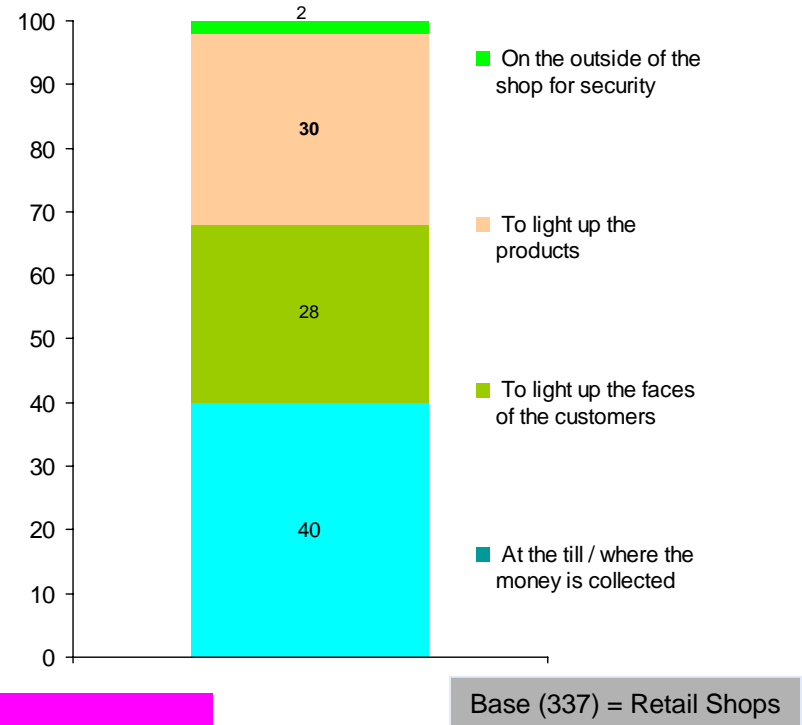


Preferred Type of Light (Apart from Mains) and Preferred Positioning

Q. 43 “What is your preferred type of light ...?”



Q. 44a “What or where in the shop would you like to position lamps?”



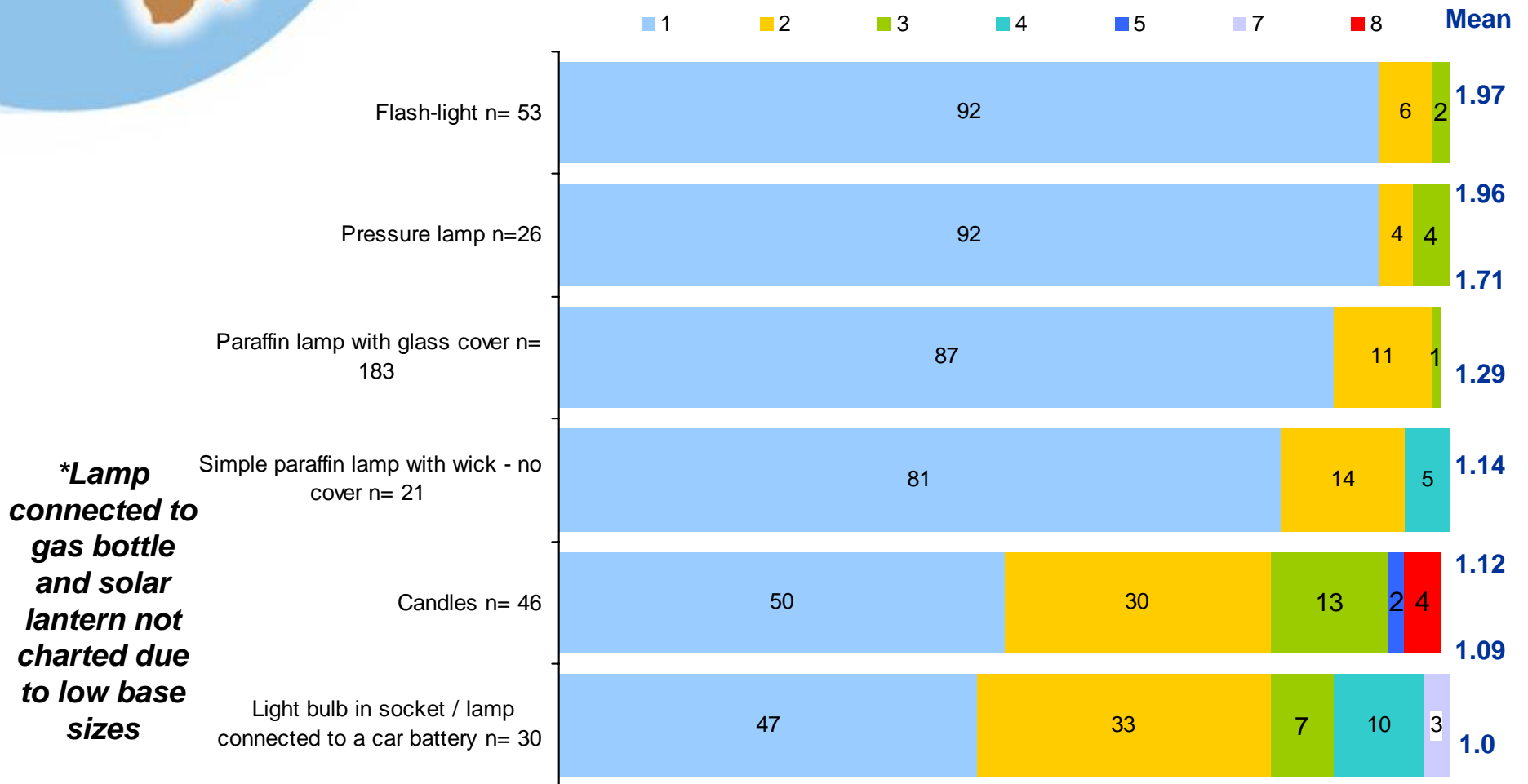
Base: Total sample =400

Although traders mostly use paraffin lamps, they would prefer to use solar powered lanterns, because of their reliability and the fact that they are safe. The lighting device should preferably be positioned where money is collected to avoid any mistakes in receiving or giving incorrect amounts



Number of Each Lighting Device Used

Q. 34 "How many of each type of light do you use at the business currently?"



Base = All who use lights in their business=261



Lifespan of Lighting Devices

Q. 37 "For how long do the power sources last?"

Base = Traders who light their business

| | Paraffin lamp with glass cover | Simple paraffin lamp with wick and no cover (often could be home made) | Pressure lamp | Light bulb in socket or a lamp connected to a car battery or inverter system or to a non-mains power source | Flash-light / torch (usually hand held) |
|------------------|--------------------------------|--|---------------|---|---|
| Base | 183 | 21 | 26 | 30 | 53 |
| Less than 1 year | 5 | 48 | 12 | 47 | 51 |
| 1 to 1.5 years | 8 | 33 | 4 | 23 | 21 |
| 1.6 to 2 years | 13 | 14 | 12 | 10 | 17 |
| 2.1 to 2.5 years | 13 | - | 4 | - | 6 |
| 2.6 to 3 years | 19 | 5 | 27 | 3 | 4 |
| 3.1 to 3.5 years | 7 | - | 4 | - | - |
| 3.6 to 4 years | 8 | - | 15 | 3 | - |
| 4.1 to 4.5 years | 4 | - | 4 | - | 2 |
| 4.6 to 5 years | 2 | - | 4 | 3 | - |
| 5.1 to 5.5 years | 3 | - | 8 | - | - |
| 5.6 to 6 years | 1 | - | 4 | - | - |
| Over 6 years | 16 | - | 4 | 7 | - |

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LIGHTING COSTS





Consumers: Costs of Lighting Devices

Q. 50a "How much does it cost you to buy__?", Q. 50b What is the cost of buying one of this type of lights now?

Conversion rate
1US \$ = Ksh.66.00

| Type of power/lighting device | Average | | |
|---|---------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | Base | Cost of running per month | Price of buying Lighting Device now |
| (Paraffin for) paraffin lamp with glass cover | 697 | US \$8.06 (Ksh.531.90) | US \$8.92 (Ksh.588.50) |
| (Paraffin for) paraffin lamp with no cover | 442 | US \$2.80 (Ksh.187.00) | US \$ 0.82 (Ksh.54.30) |
| Candles | 105 | US \$0.77 (Ksh.50.70) | US \$0.30 (Ksh.19.60) |
| (Batteries for) battery powered lantern | 17* | US \$10.99 (Ksh.725.20) | US \$13.06 (Ksh.861.90) |
| (Batteries for) battery powered flashlight or torch | 323 | US \$1.38 (Ksh.91.10) | US \$2.02 (Ksh.133.30) |



Traders: Costs of Lighting Devices

Q. 34 "How many of each type of light do you use at the business currently?, Q. 35 How much does it cost you per month to run? Q. 36 What is the cost of buying one of this light now?"

Conversion rate
1US \$ = Ksh.66.00

| Type of power/lighting device | Base | No. Owned | Cost of running per month | Cost of buying now |
|---|------|-----------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Paraffin lamp with glass cover | 183 | 1 | US \$10.12 (Ksh.668.00) | US \$7.36 (Ksh.485.90) |
| Simple paraffin lamp with wick and no cover | 21 | 1 | US \$6.32 (Ksh.417.00) | US \$1.06 (Ksh.69.90) |
| Pressure lamp | 26 | 1 | US \$27.06 (Ksh.1786.00) | US \$20.59 (Ksh.1359.00) |
| Light bulb in socket | 30 | 2 | US \$10.50 (Ksh.693.00) | US \$14.63 (Ksh.965.70) |
| Candles | 46 | 2 | US \$1.29 (Ksh.85.00) | US \$0.29 (Ksh.19.20) |
| Flash-light / torch (usually hand held) | 53 | 1 | US \$2.08 (Ksh.137.00) | US \$2.13 (Ksh.140.90) |

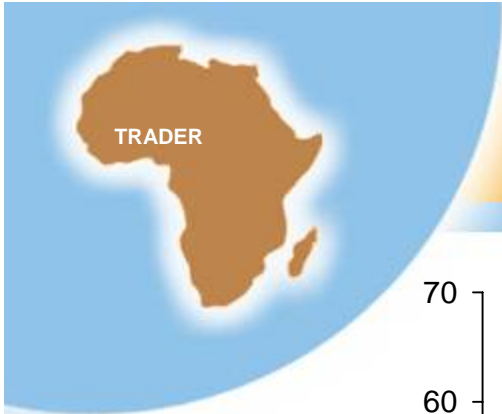


Summary: Average Claimed Spend per Month on Current Lighting Devices

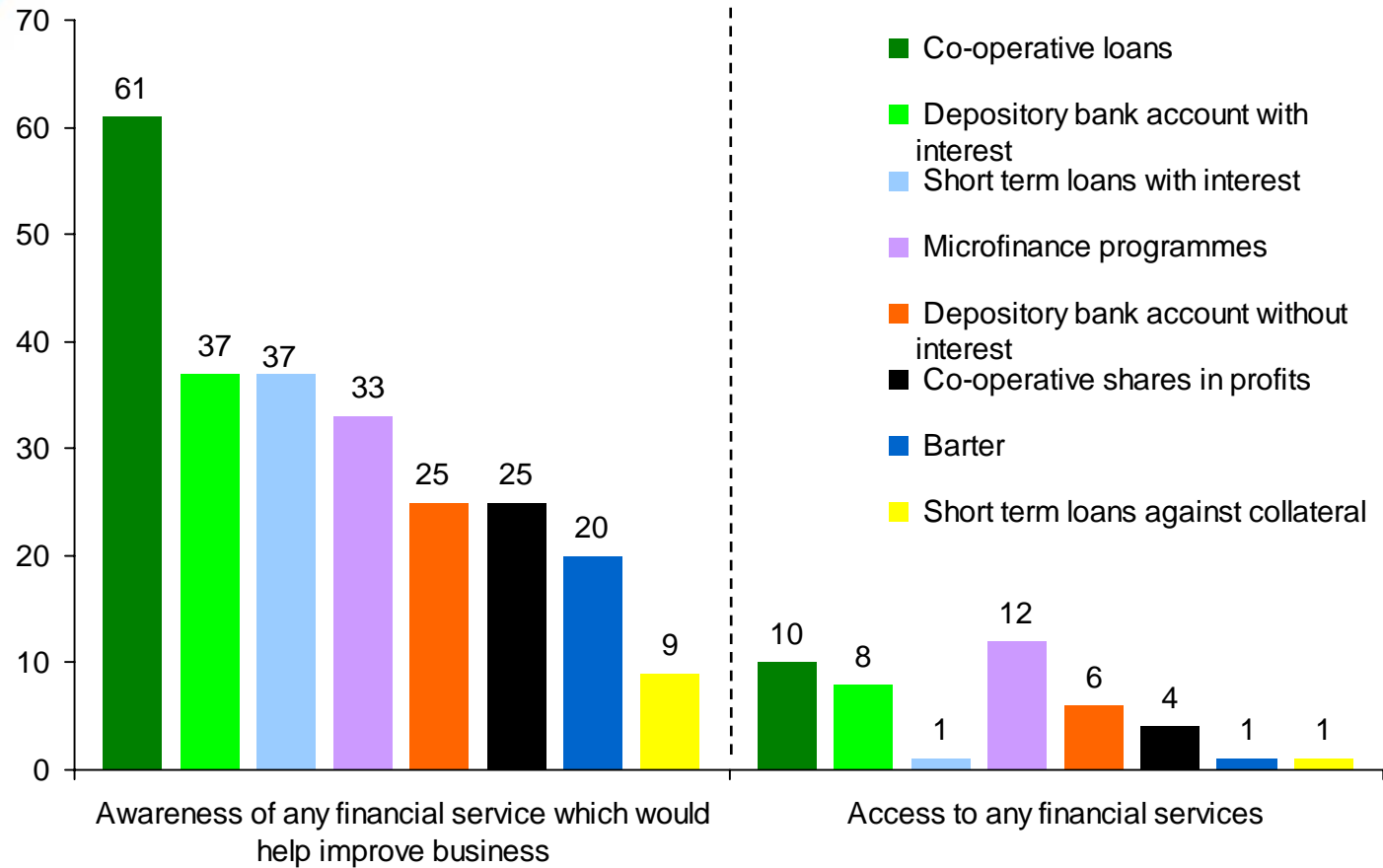
“Majority of respondents buy their paraffin in liters at a cost of US \$ 1.33 (Ksh 82.50) per liter”

Conversion rate
1US \$ = Ksh 66.00

| Type of power/lighting device | App. running costs per month HOUSEHOLD | App. running costs per month BUSINESS | Cost of buying actual item |
|--|--|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| (Paraffin for) paraffin lamp with glass cover | US \$8.06 (Ksh.531.90) | US \$10.12 (Ksh.668.00) | US \$ 9.50 (Ksh 588. 5) |
| (Paraffin for) paraffin lamp with no cover | US \$2.80 (Ksh.187.00) | US \$6.32 (Ksh.417.00) | US \$ 0.88 (Ksh 54.3) |
| Candles | US \$0.77 (Ksh.50.70) | US \$1.29 (Ksh.85.00) | US \$ 0.32 (Ksh 19.6) |
| (Batteries for) battery powered flash-light or torch | US \$1.38 (Ksh.91.10) | US \$2.08 (Ksh.137.00) | US \$ 2.15 (Ksh 133.3) |



Traders: Financial Services



Co-operative loans are the widely known source of financial services that can be used to improve businesses, while the most accessible are microfinance programmes.

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MODERN LIGHTING PRODUCT EVALUATION

A stylized map of the African continent in brown, set against a light blue circular background that represents the Earth's surface.

Terms Used

- PSM – Price sensitivity measure
- Cheap/Expensive – price at which consumers consider a device to be cheap/expensive – quality /affordability not an issue
- Too Cheap – price at which consumers consider a device to be so cheap to the extent of questioning the quality
- Too Expensive – price at which consumers consider a device to be too expensive – almost unaffordable
- Recommended price – Anticipated price point at which most consumers feel that the price is neither so cheap that quality is questioned, nor too expensive
- Range – this is between too cheap and too expensive



How the Price Sensitivity Measure works

- The Price Sensitivity Measure has been devised in order to ascertain what is the most acceptable price range for a particular product or service within a given market
- In order to ascertain the range we ask each respondent 4 questions:
 - At which point would the product/service be considered cheap
 - At which price would the product/service be considered expensive
 - At which price point would the product service be considered too cheap so that the quality would be in doubt
 - At which price point would the product/service be considered too expensive so that there would no longer be consideration to purchasing it
- The responses to these 4 questions are then plotted on a chart. Where the measures 'too cheap' and 'too expensive' cross each other is considered to be the low end of the range of acceptable price and where the measures 'cheap' and 'too expensive' cross each other is considered the high end of the acceptable price range
- The ideal price point is where the measure 'cheap' and 'expensive' cross each other

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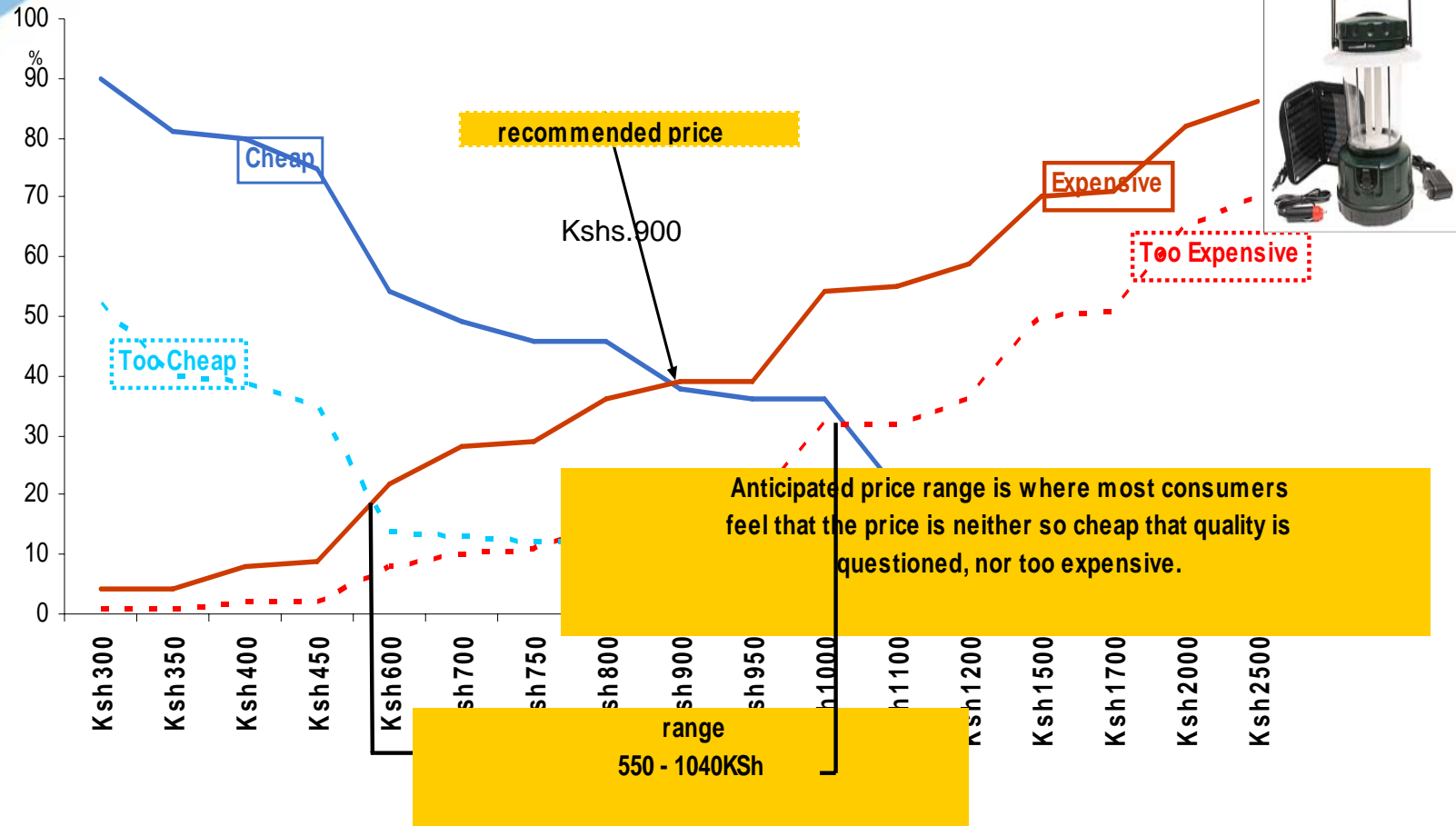


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PSM : Rechargeable Lantern

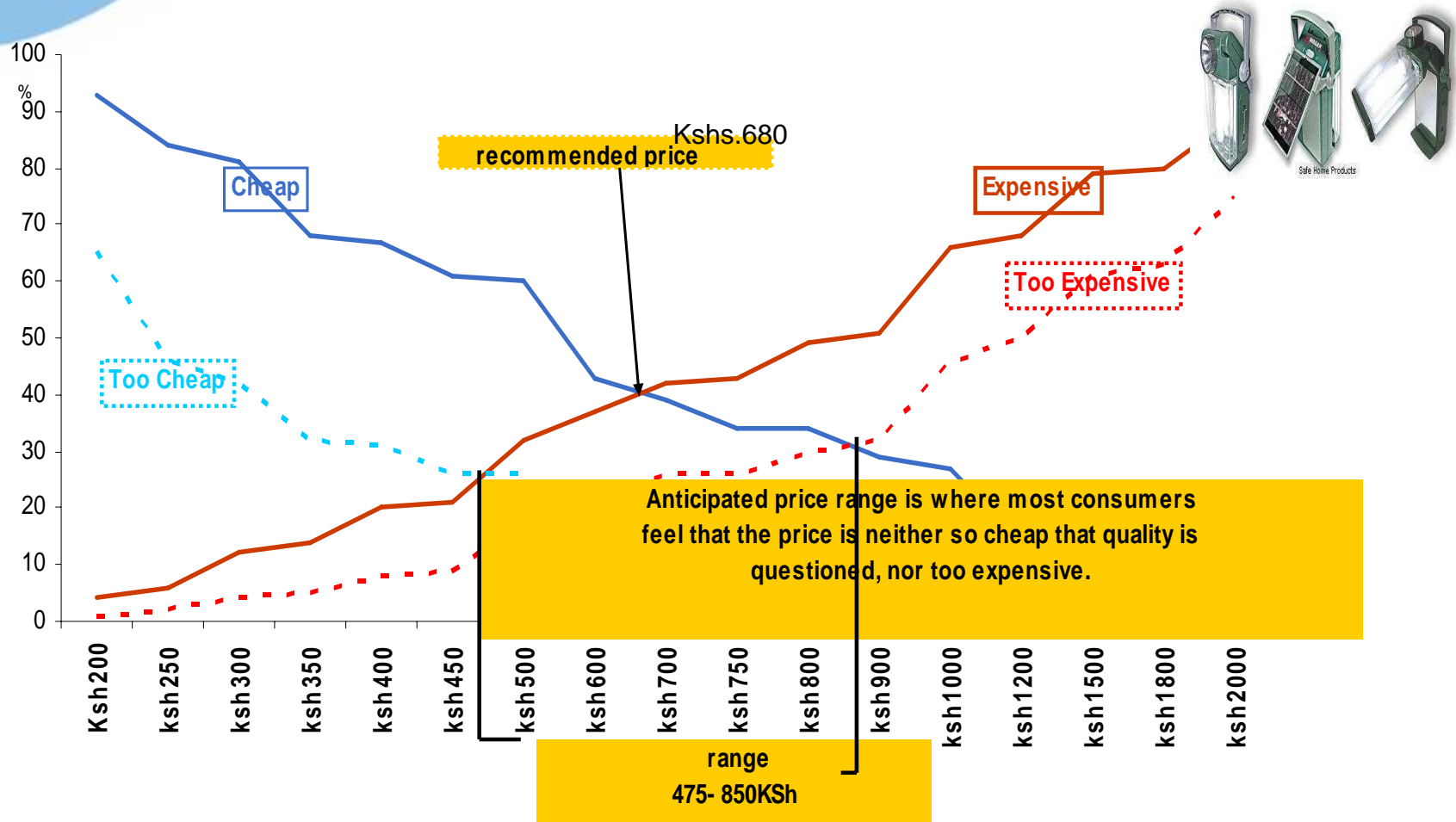
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PSM : Rechargeable Task Light

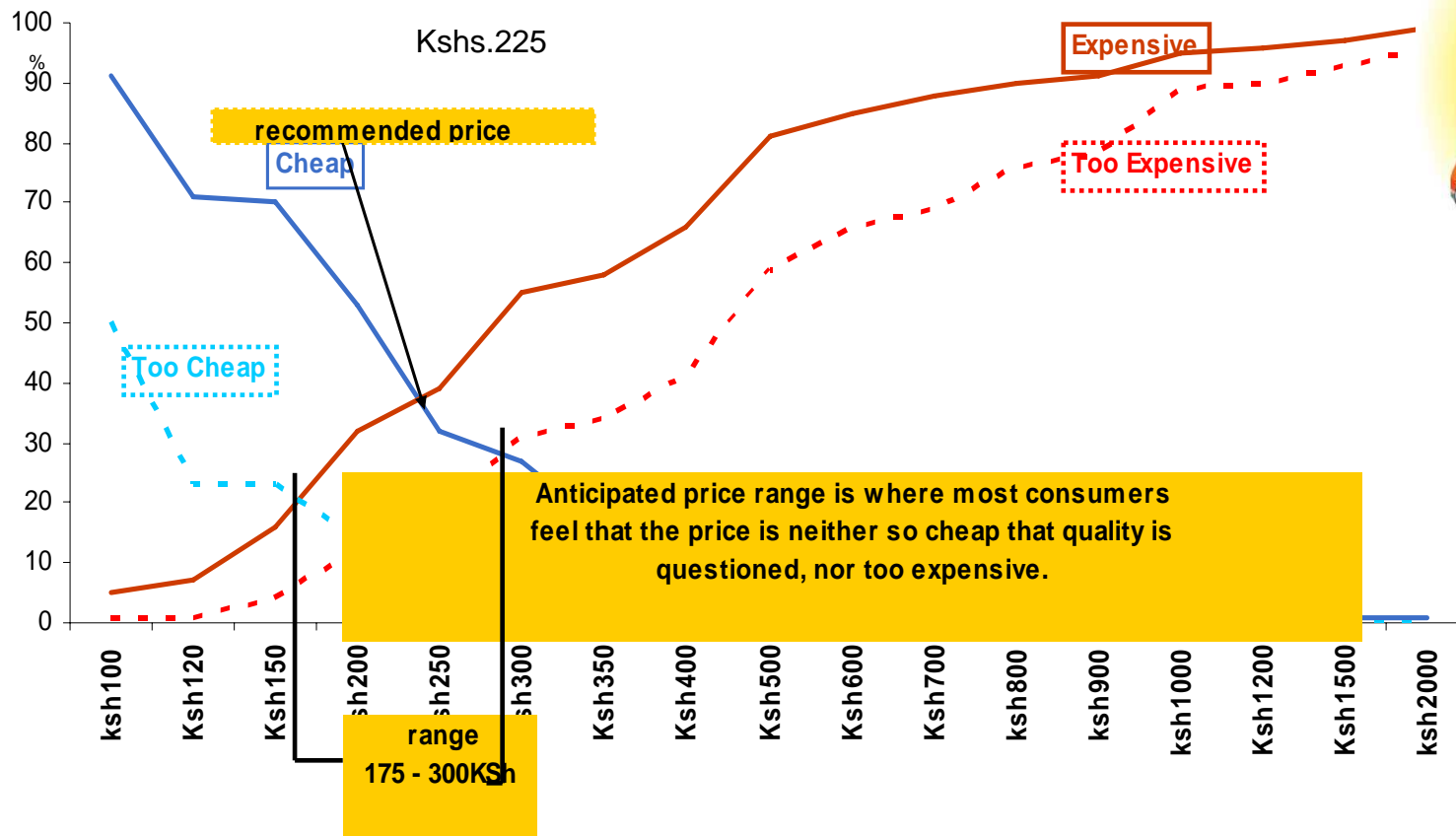
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PSM: Rechargeable Torch

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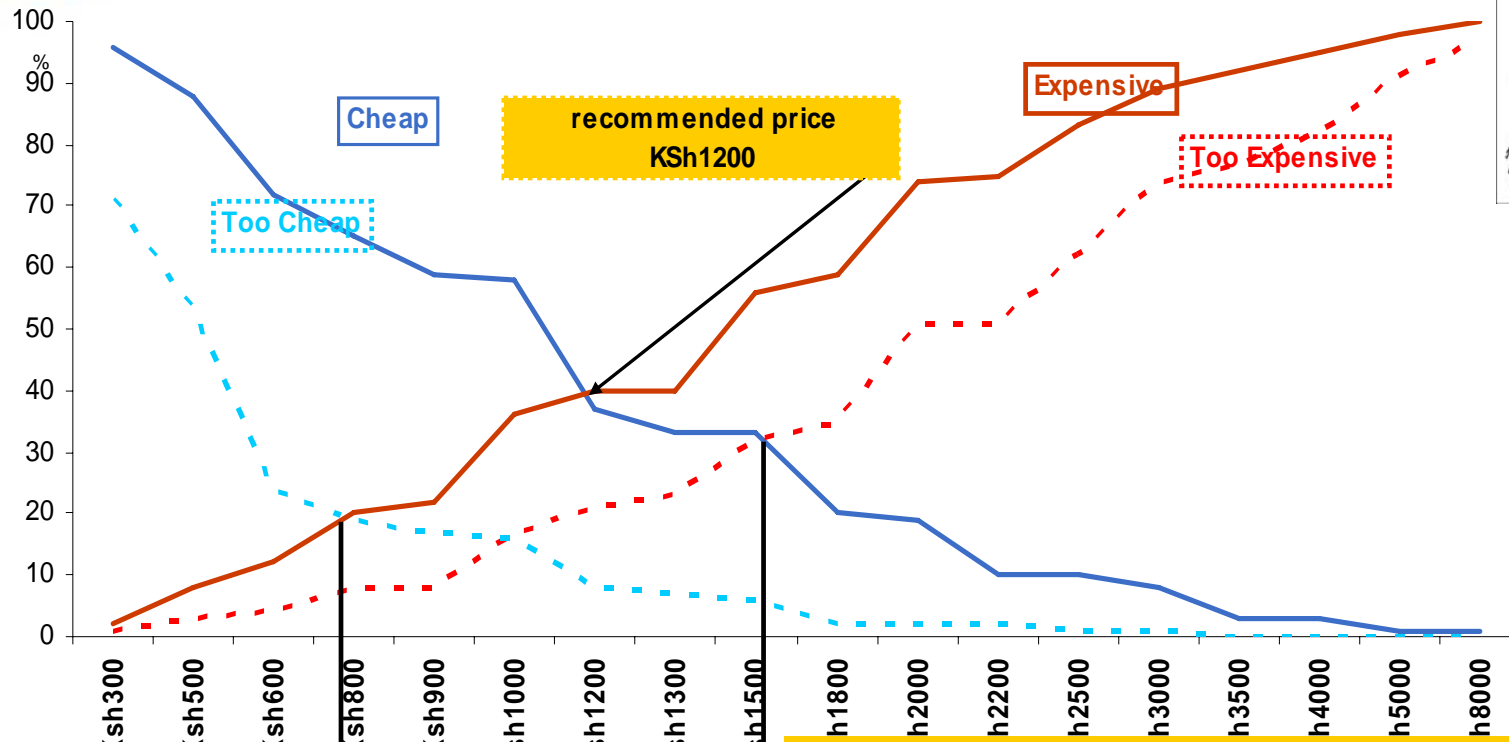
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PSM: Rechargeable Lantern

Base: Total sample =400

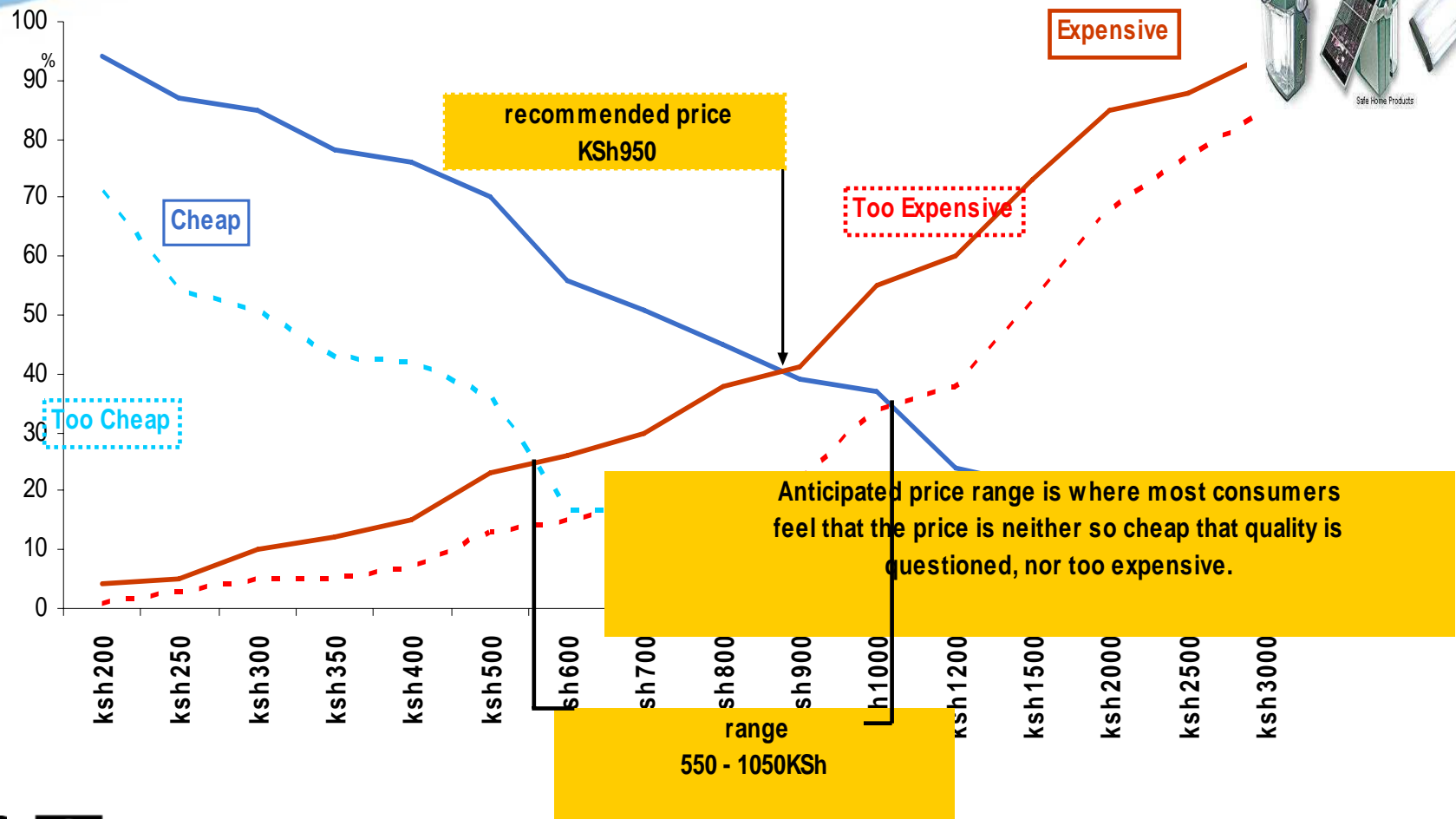


range 800 - 1600 Ksh
 Anticipated price range is where most consumers feel that the price is neither so cheap that quality is questioned, nor too expensive.

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PSM : Rechargeable Task Light

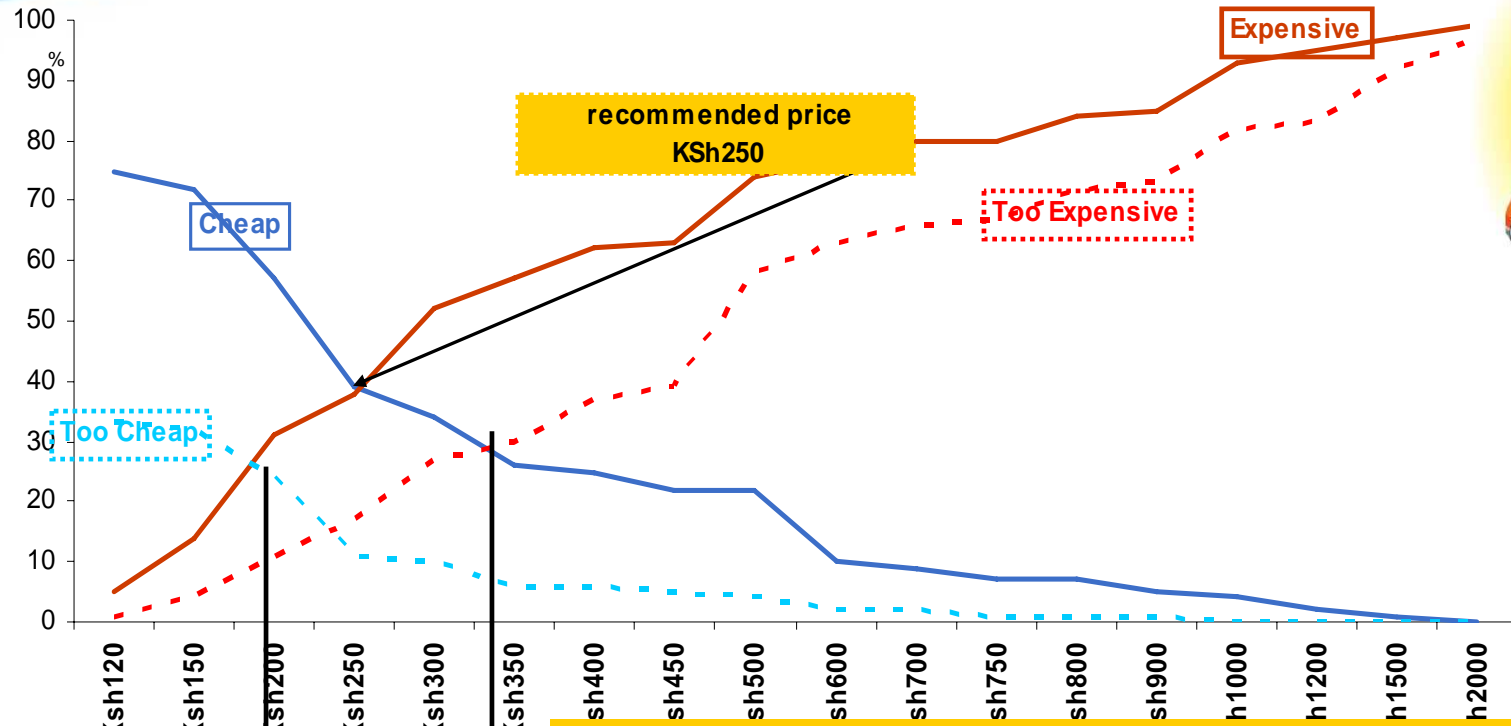
Base: Total sample =400





PSM : Rechargeable Torch

Base: Total sample =400

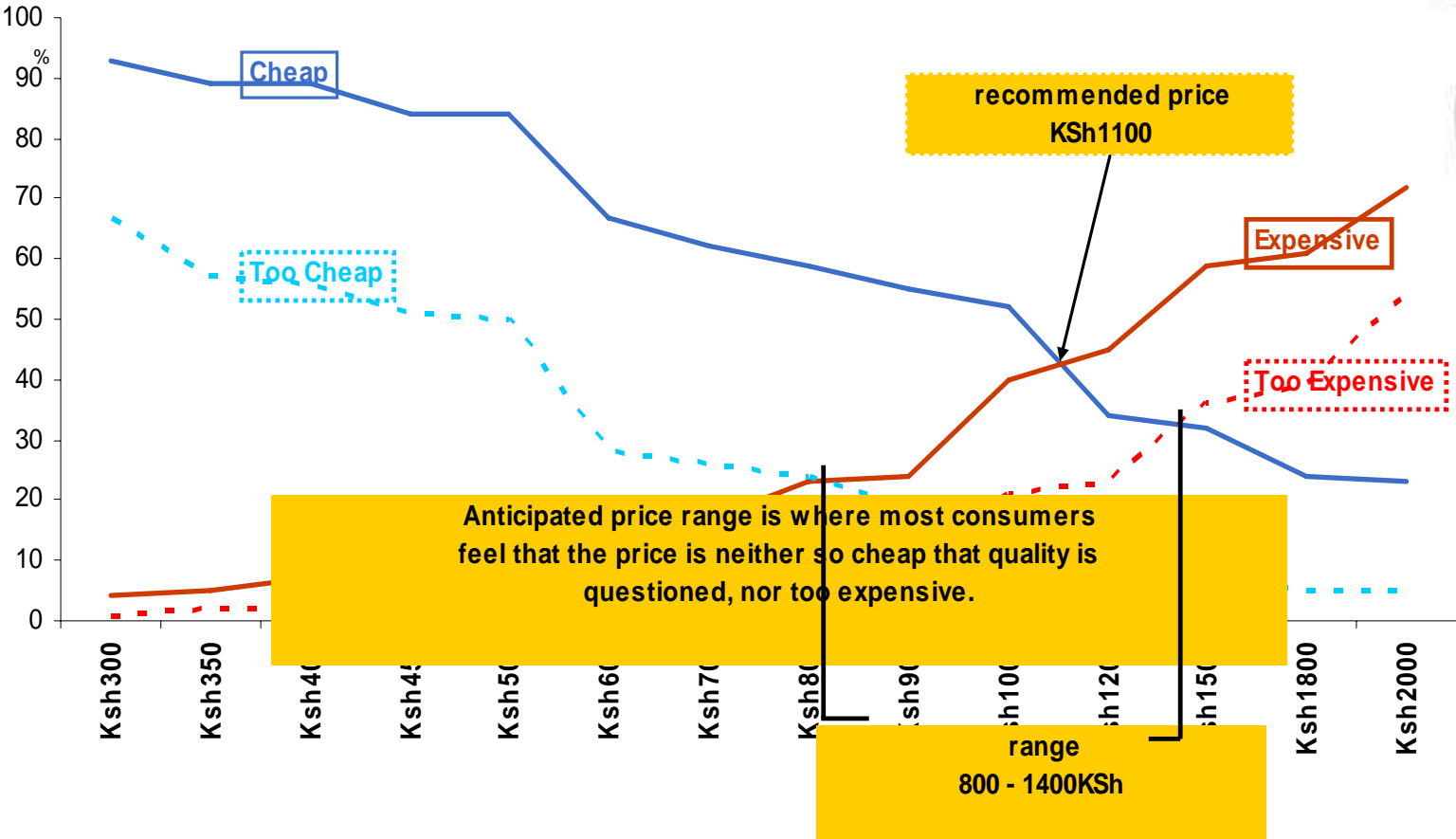


range 175 - 325KSh
 Anticipated price range is where most consumers feel that the price is neither so cheap that quality is questioned, nor too expensive.



PSM: Rechargeable Flood Light

Base: Total sample =400






Summary: Most Acceptable Price Point

How much are Kenyans willing to pay for the new products?

Conversion rate
1US \$ = Ksh.66.00

| | | Household | Trade |
|---|-------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
|  | Lantern | US \$13.63 (Ksh.900.00) | US \$18.18 (Ksh.1200.00) |
|  | Torch | US \$3.40 (Ksh.225.00) | US \$3.79 (Ksh.250.00) |
|  | Task Light | US \$10.30 (Ksh.680.00) | US \$14.40 (Ksh.950.00) |
|  | Flood Light | N/A | US \$16.67 (Ksh.1100.00) |

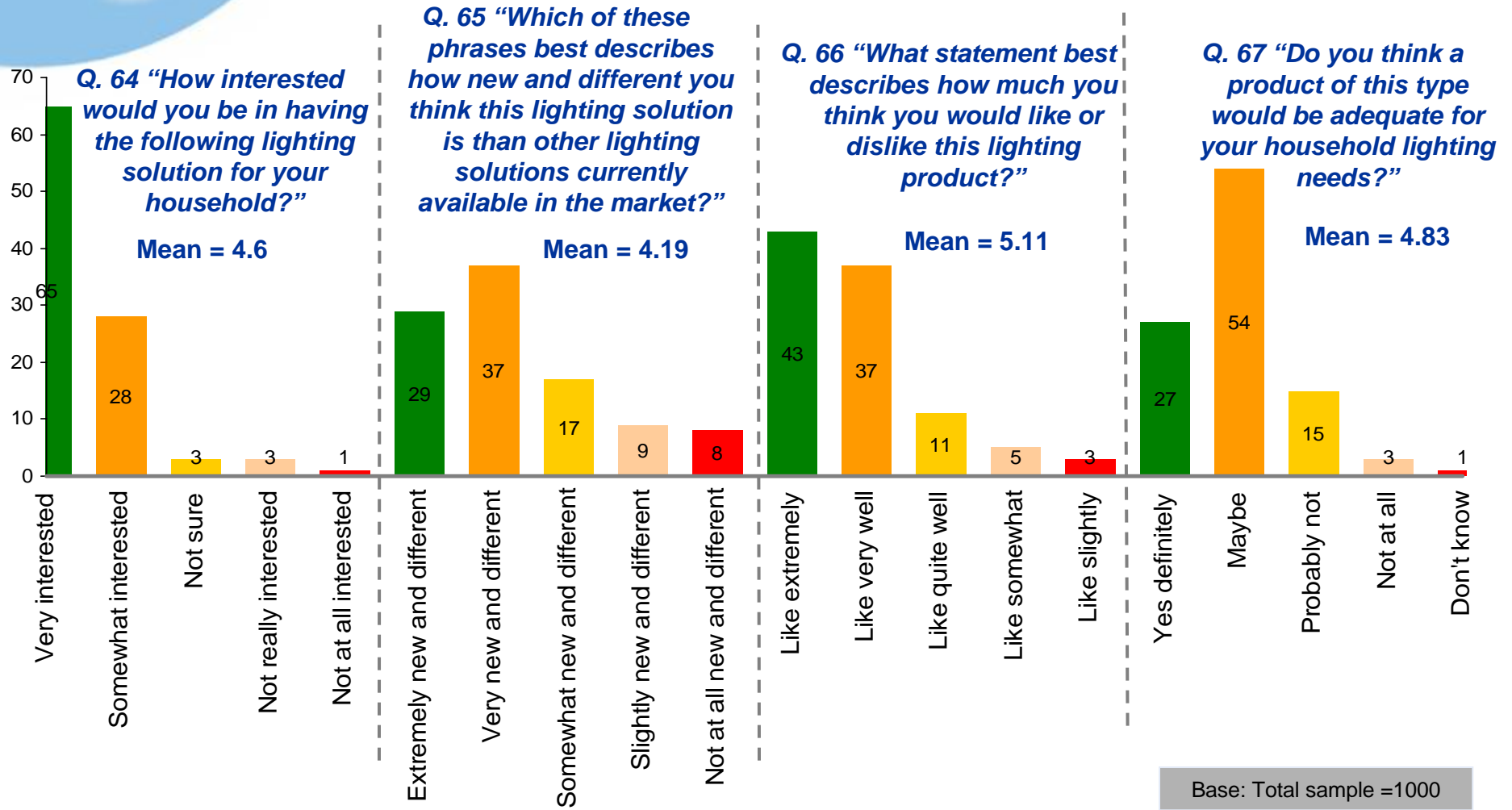


Home Lighting Concept





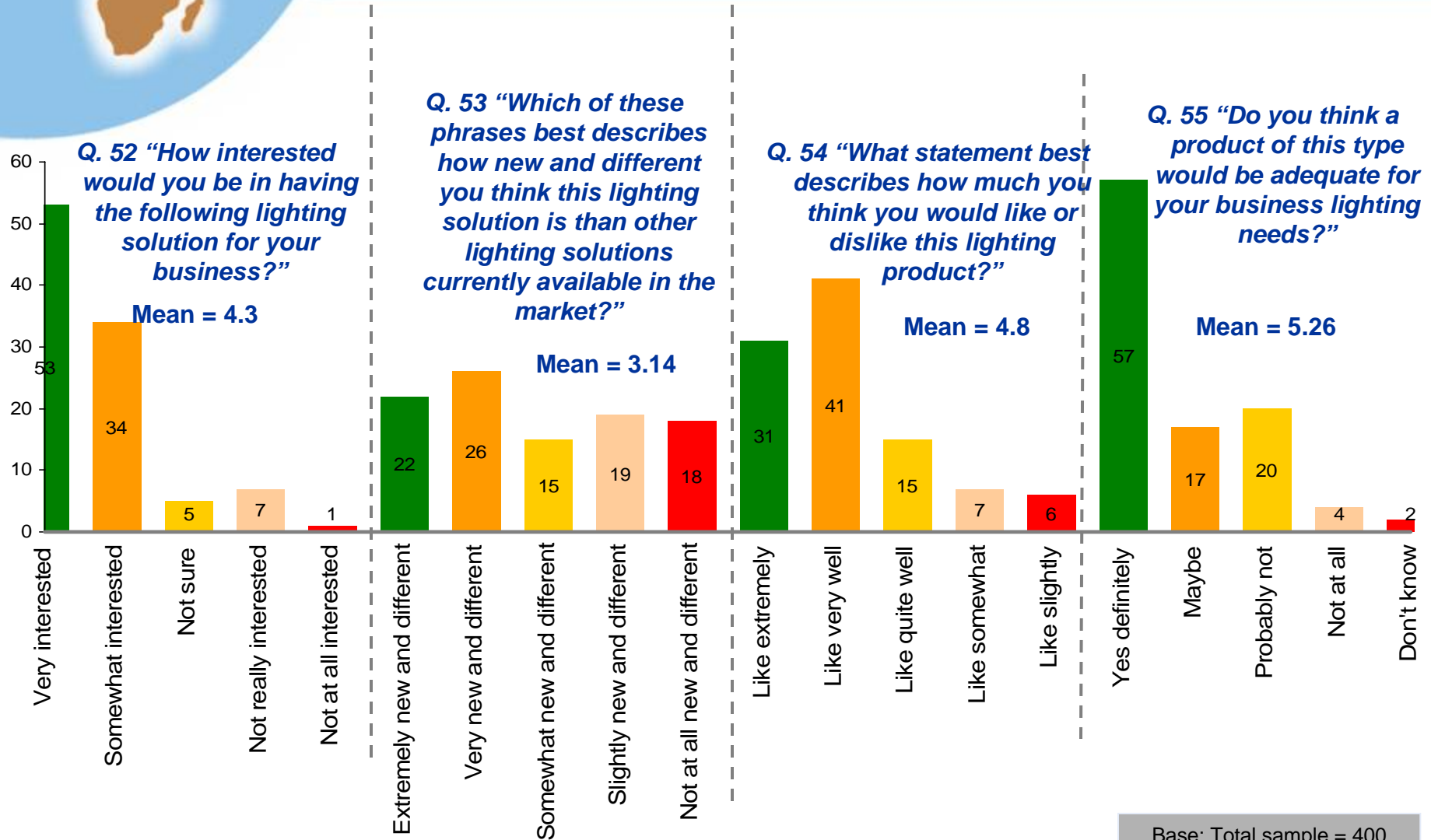
Consumers: Evaluation of Lighting Concept



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Business: Evaluation of Lighting Concept



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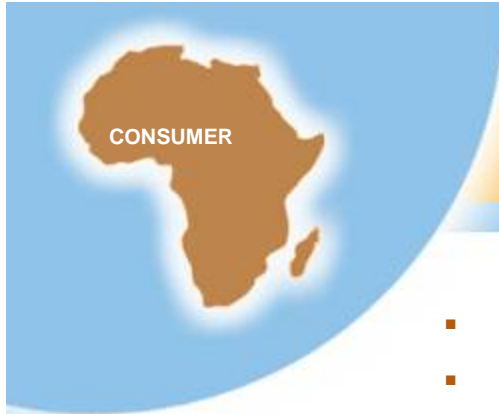


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CONSUMERS





Summary: Consumers

Description of Consumer

- Predominantly in lower LSMs (1-3) equivalent of SEC DE,
- Many households are headed by females
- Live in rural environments; semi permanent structures with poor infrastructure and often occupying single rooms
- Averagely 4 to 5 people per household (over 16 years) with average monthly income of US \$153.60 which is provided by the household head

Power and Lighting Habits

- Kerosene is the most popular source of power for lighting with 96% of households using it as the main power source
- Use of light in households starts much later after dark so as to reduce the amount of time the lights are on and thus save on costs
- Only a few rooms are lit after dark (often 1 or 2), the longest lit room is the living room – where the majority of family members will gather during the evening, while the least lit is the outside; patio and toilet.
- The main problem experienced after dark is the lack of lighting; as a result, other areas of the house and personal development suffer the most
- About 7 in every 10 households say their households are poorly lit and introduction of more lights would be the ultimate solution



Summary: Consumers

Lighting Devices

- Devices using paraffin are the most widely used i.e. paraffin lamp with glass cover and paraffin lamp with simple wick.
- The lighting devices are placed at a central place within the room so that they can serve everyone
- The drivers towards selection of lighting devices to be used are cost and availability
- As indicated by the qualitative research previously conducted; as a single lighting device the solar charged LED lantern is the most preferred device as it gives consumers the maximum amount of flexibility in terms of use by multiple people
- As secondary or tertiary lighting devices, task lights and torches are preferred.
- Prices acceptable to consumers for these devices are:
 - Lantern: US\$ 13,63
 - Torch: US\$ 3,40
 - Task Light: US\$ 10,30
- The Home Lighting Concept is well liked by the majority of consumers evaluating it, mainly due to its flexibility and the fact that multiple people will receive light simultaneously without even having to be in the same room. Consumers would consider purchasing such a concept however their consideration is very much dependant on the price of the device.

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TRADERS





Summary: Traders

Description of Traders

- Predominantly lower LSMs (3-5) equivalent of SEC C2, many entrepreneurs are males aged 18-44.
- Live in rural planned environments (shopping area's); operate from small permanent structures, and with poor infrastructure.
- Businesses are family managed, being run by one to two people with average weekly sales of US \$81.80 and monthly profits of US \$83.90.

Power and Lighting Habits

- Just like in Kenyan households, kerosene/paraffin is the most popular source of power for lighting and energy for many businesses
- 4 in every 10 businesses regularly operate after dark, however, 40% state they do not operate after dark specifically due to lack of lighting
- Operating after dark is a very welcome idea as it is thought to increase the number of customers at the shop and hence increase profits



Summary: Traders

- Generally traders are satisfied with their current lighting inside their business premises. However, for those not satisfied, brightness is the real issue, and poor lighting also compromises on security
- The key improvement to be made by businesspeople on their business would be to improve the structure of the business and overall productivity of the business
- The barrier towards increasing lighting needs of the business is lack of money to purchase more and better lighting devices

Current Lighting Devices

- Paraffin lamps are used in 70% of the businesses, however, the preferred source of light would be powered lanterns
- Just like among the consumers the drivers towards use of these devices are cost and availability

Summary: Traders



- As indicated by the qualitative research previously conducted; as a single lighting device the solar charged LED lantern is the most preferred closely followed by the flood light as it gives traders the maximum amount of flexibility in terms of use by multiple people as well as performing multiple tasks by this light such as: dealing with consumers and counting change.
- As secondary or tertiary lighting devices, task lights and torches are preferred.
- Prices acceptable to consumers for these devices are:
 - Lantern: US\$ 18,18
 - Torch: US\$ 3,79
 - Task Light: US\$ 14,40
 - Flood Light: US\$ 16,67
- The Home Lighting Concept is well liked by the majority of traders, although not to the same extent as by consumers, possibly because households are slightly larger in size and therefore traders do not need as many light for their business and consumers do at home. The concept is seen as very new and different the purchase intention for this type of product is quite high with 57% of traders stating they would most probably purchase it



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