

The Continuing Leverage of Paroling Authorities: Findings from a National Survey

Risk Assessment and the Revocation Process



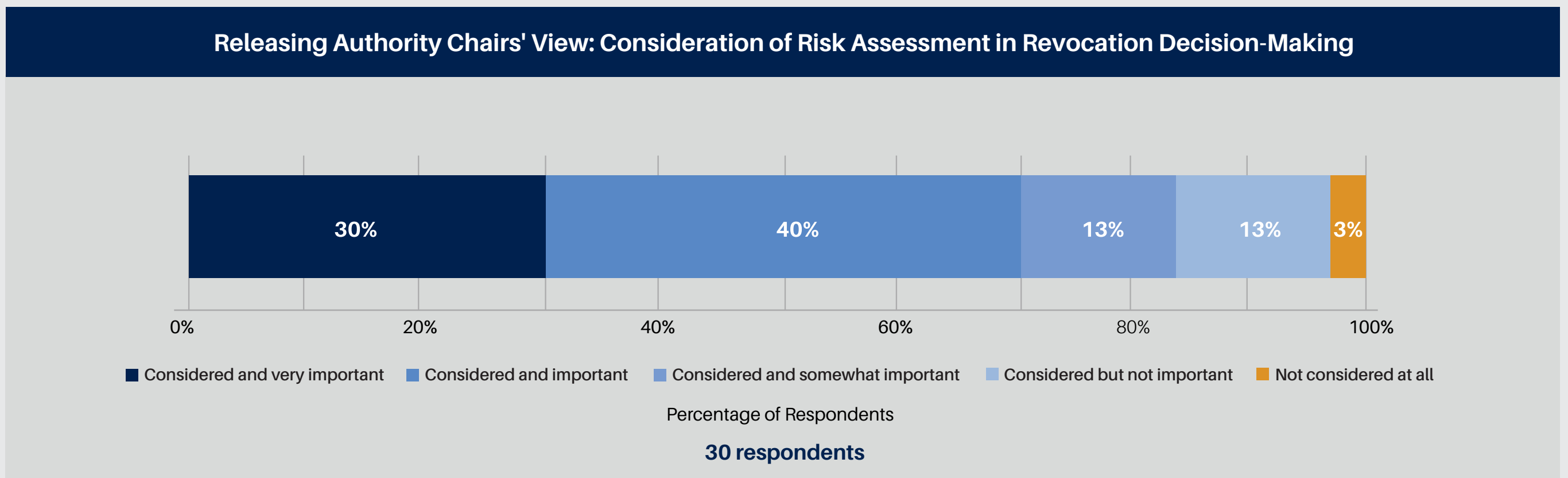
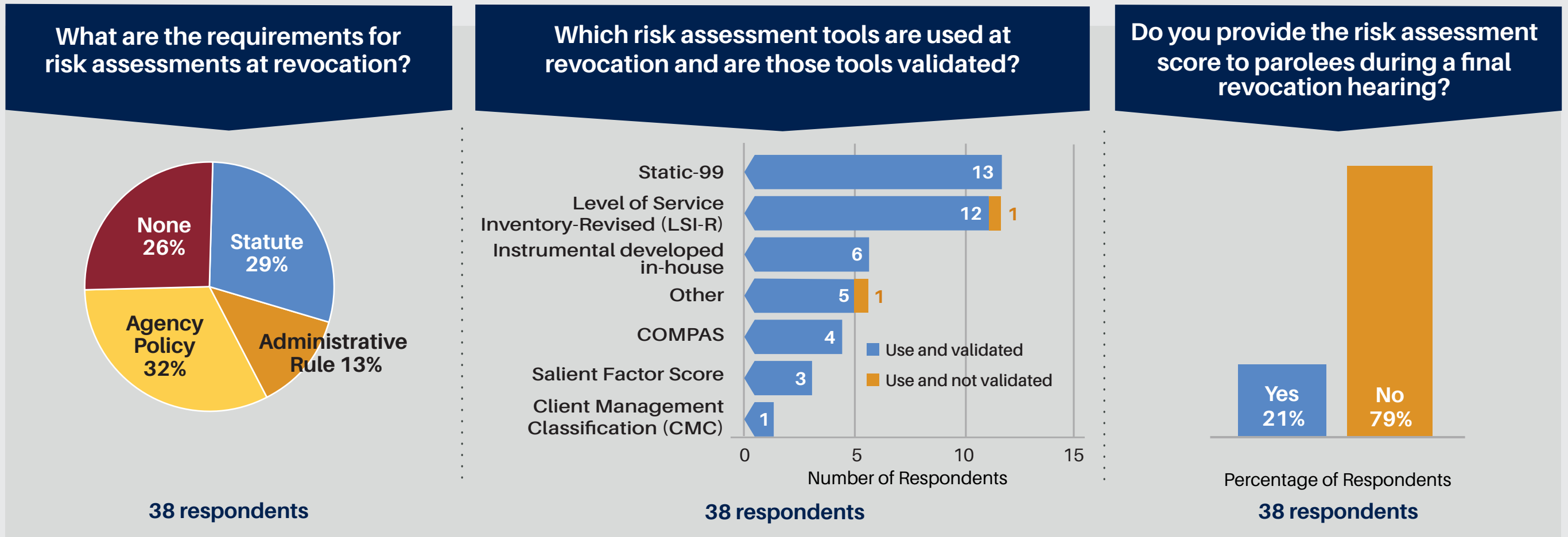
How is Risk Assessment Used in the Revocation Process?

The use of risk assessment in release decisions is a well-established practice among releasing authorities, but the reliance on such tools for revocation has evolved, often in tandem with the adoption of progressive sanctions grids, or their equivalent. *The Continuing Leverage of Releasing Authorities* reveals the use, transparency, and consideration of risk assessments in the revocation process.

Risk Assessments at Revocation: Releasing Authorities Respond

The Value of Risk Assessment at Revocation

Since the 1990s, releasing authorities have become increasingly reliant on risk assessment tools, alongside other structured decision-making instruments. These tools provide greater structure to parole boards' exercise of discretion relative to the violations and revocation process.



Note: Static-99 is a risk assessment tool specifically designed and used for sex-offenders. Most of the parole boards that use Static-99 for their sex-offender population use a separate risk assessment tool for the general population of offenders. To download a copy of the full report *The Continuing Leverage of Releasing Authorities: Findings from a National Survey*, go to: robina.institute.umn.edu/publications/continuing-leverage-releasing-authorities-findings-national-survey.
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