

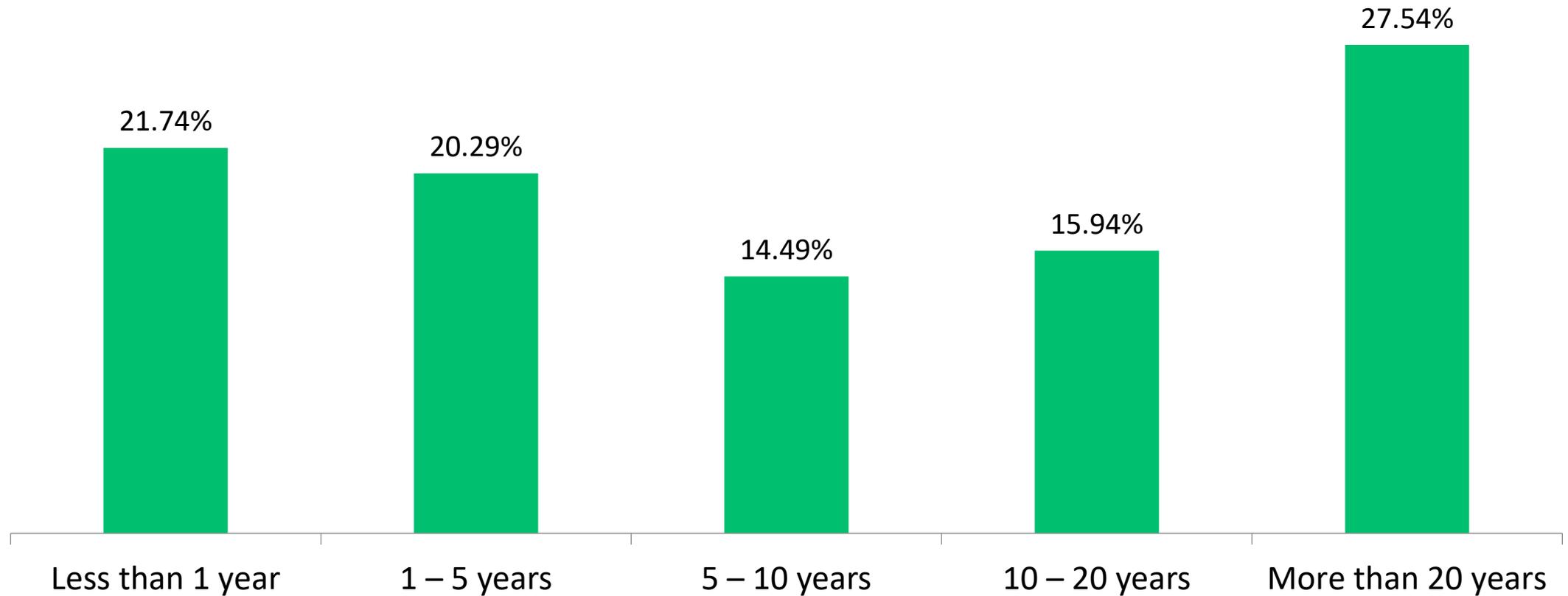


Private Attorney Survey Results

Greg Sattizahn

State Court Administrator

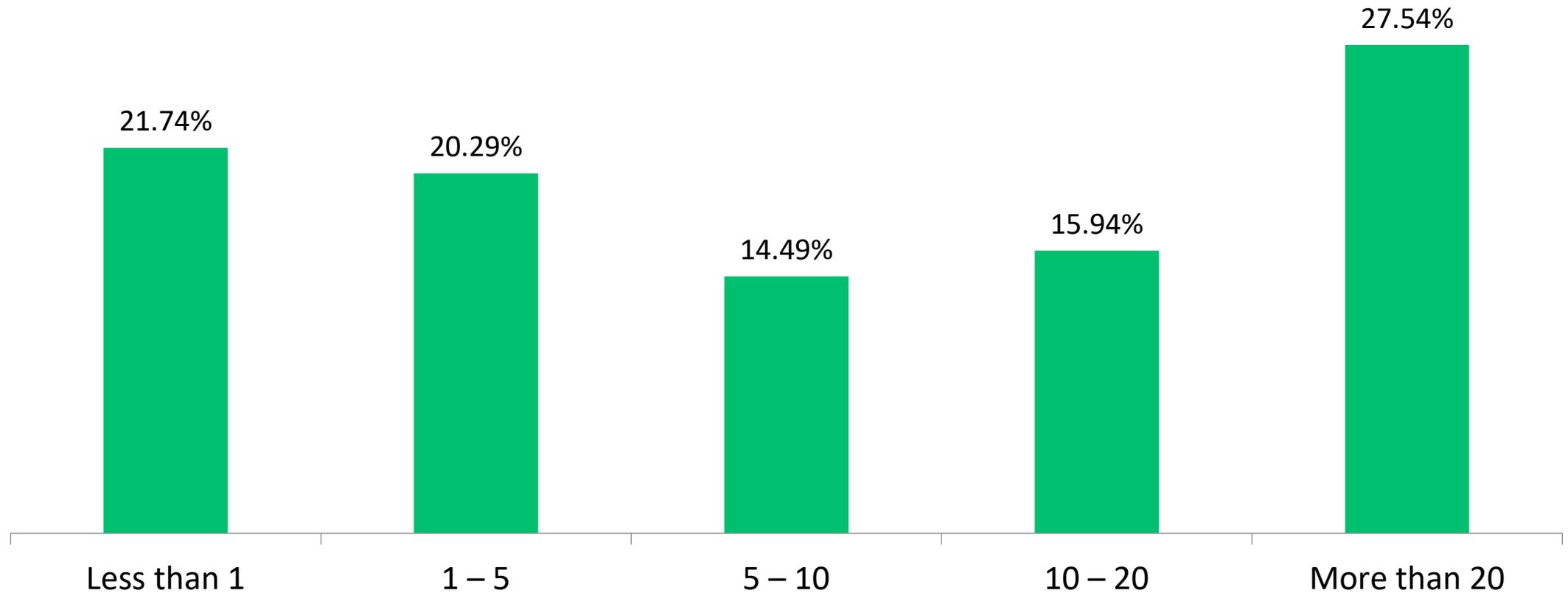
How many years have you been practicing criminal defense law?



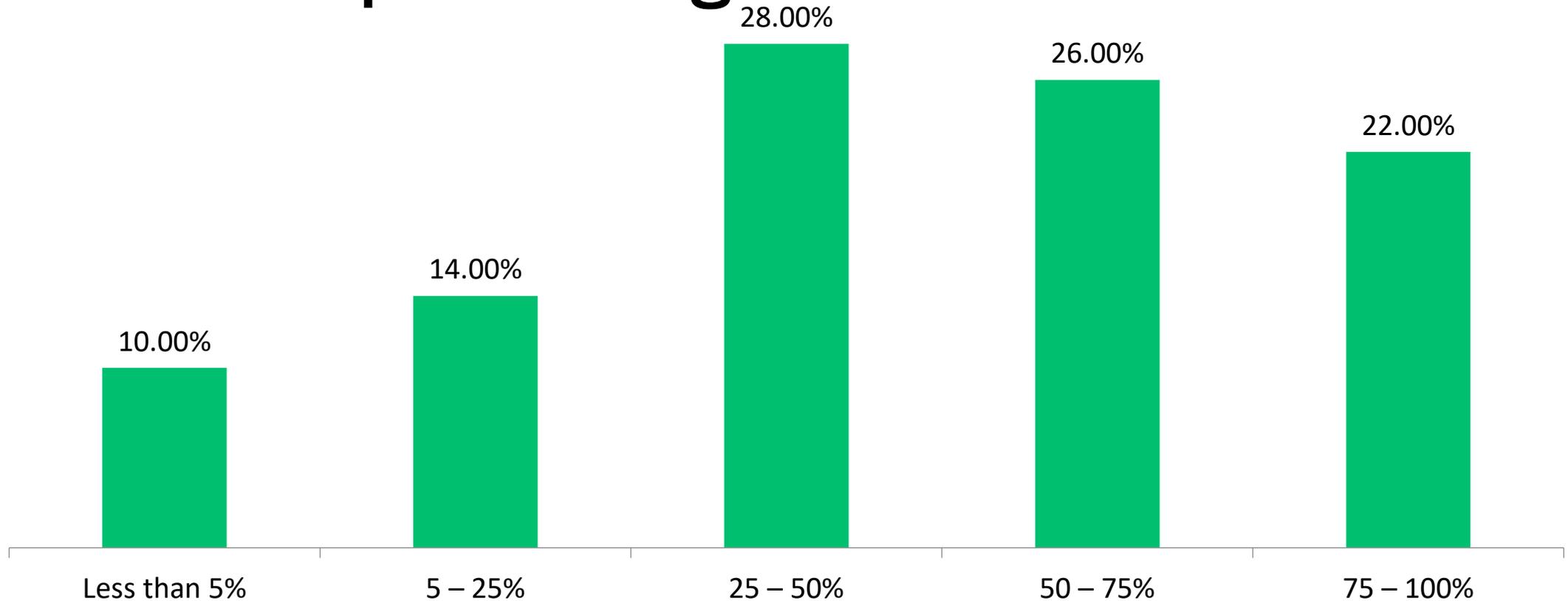
Do you currently represent criminal defendants in South Dakota circuit courts in appointed cases?



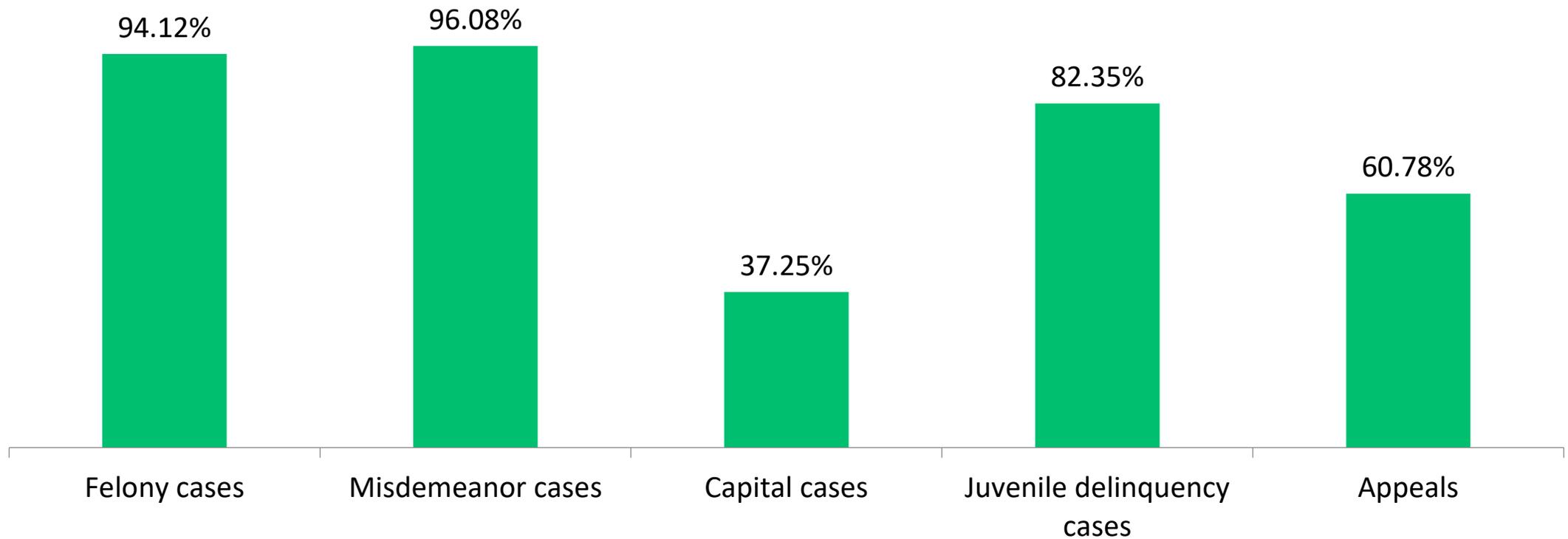
How many counties do you accept court appointments in?



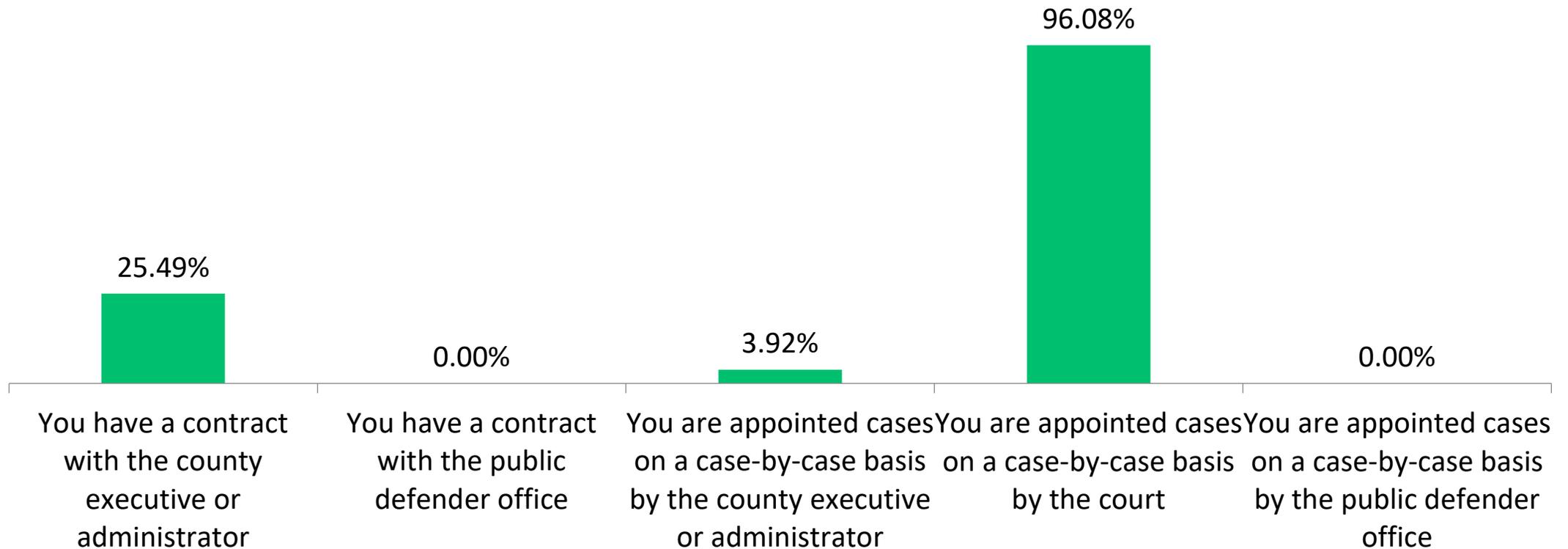
Overall, what percentage of your practice involves representing criminal defendants?



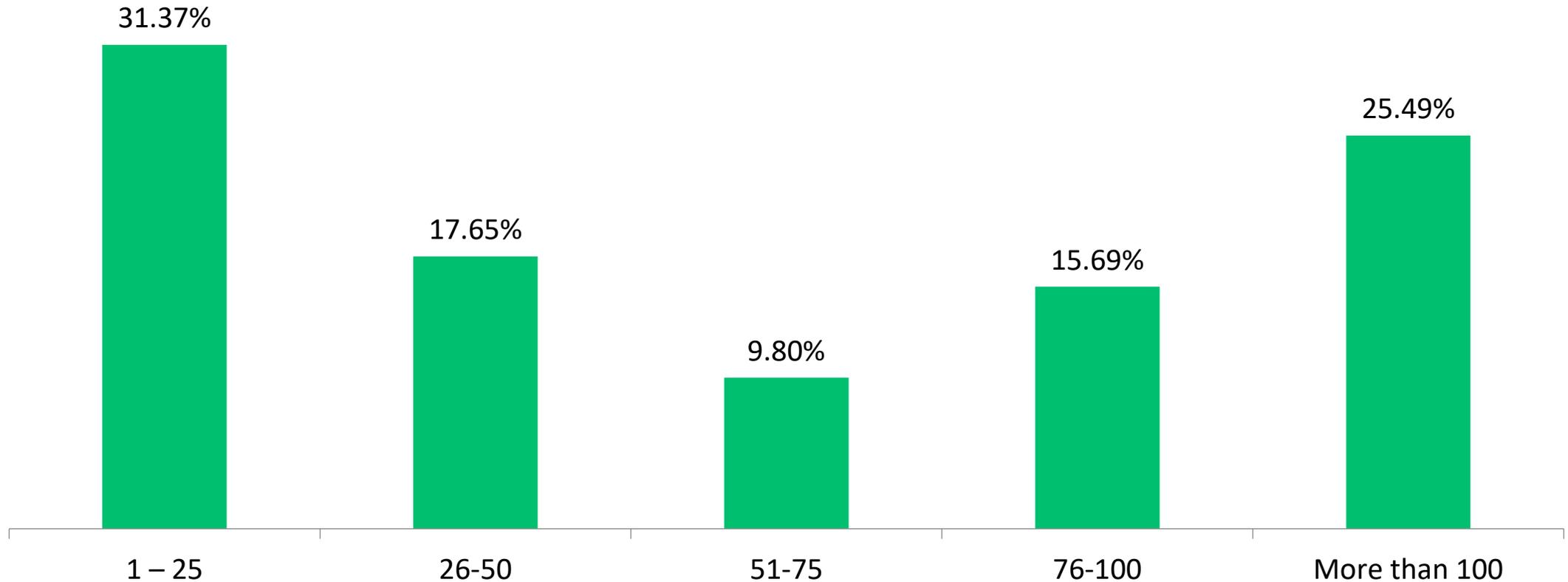
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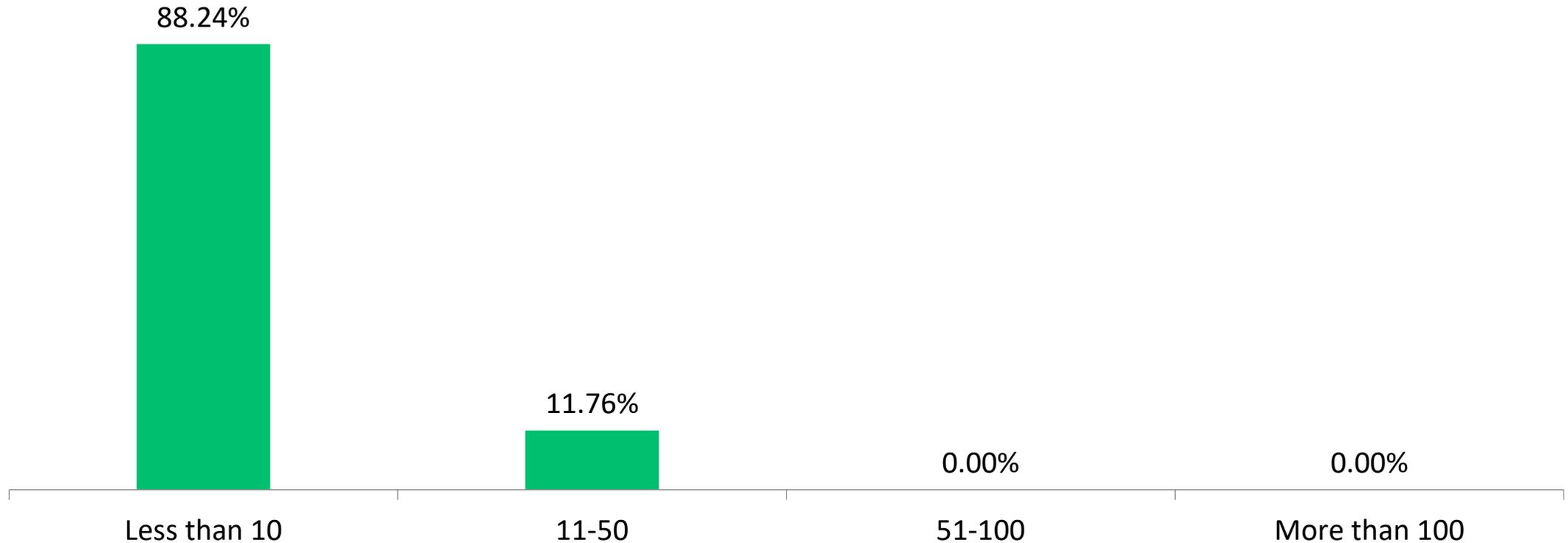
How are you allowed to accept court appointments?



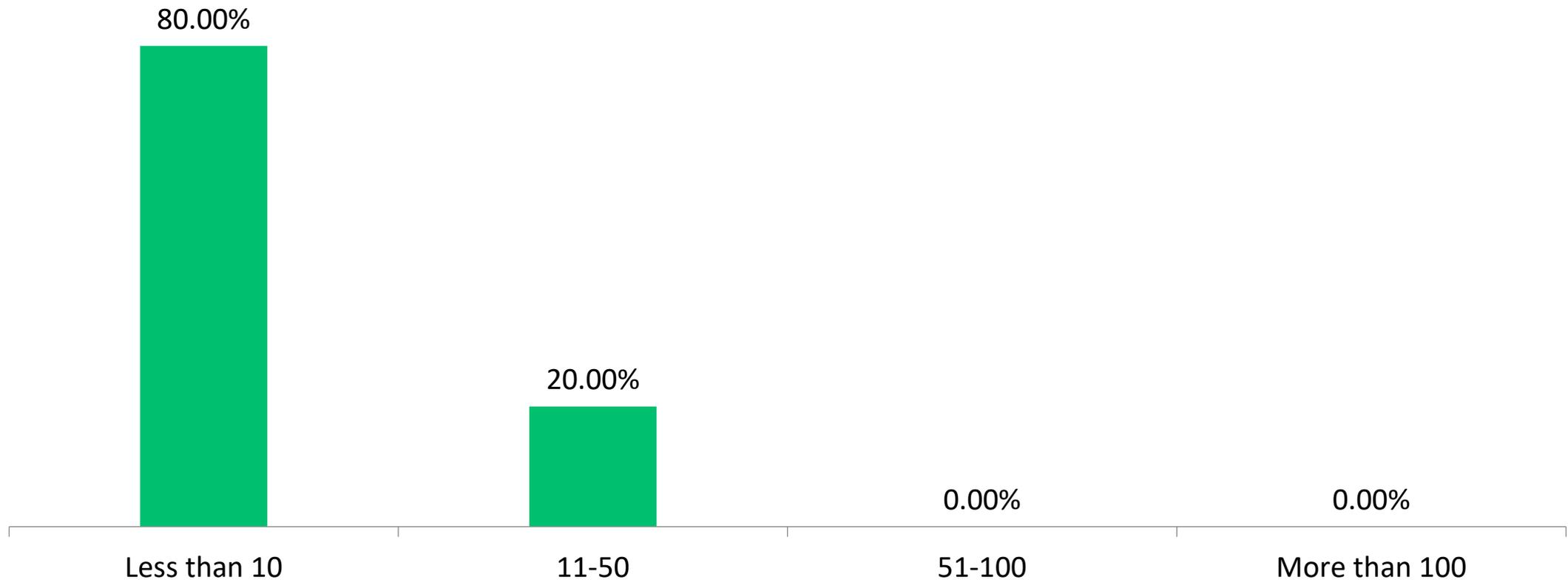
How many court appointments do you accept in a year?



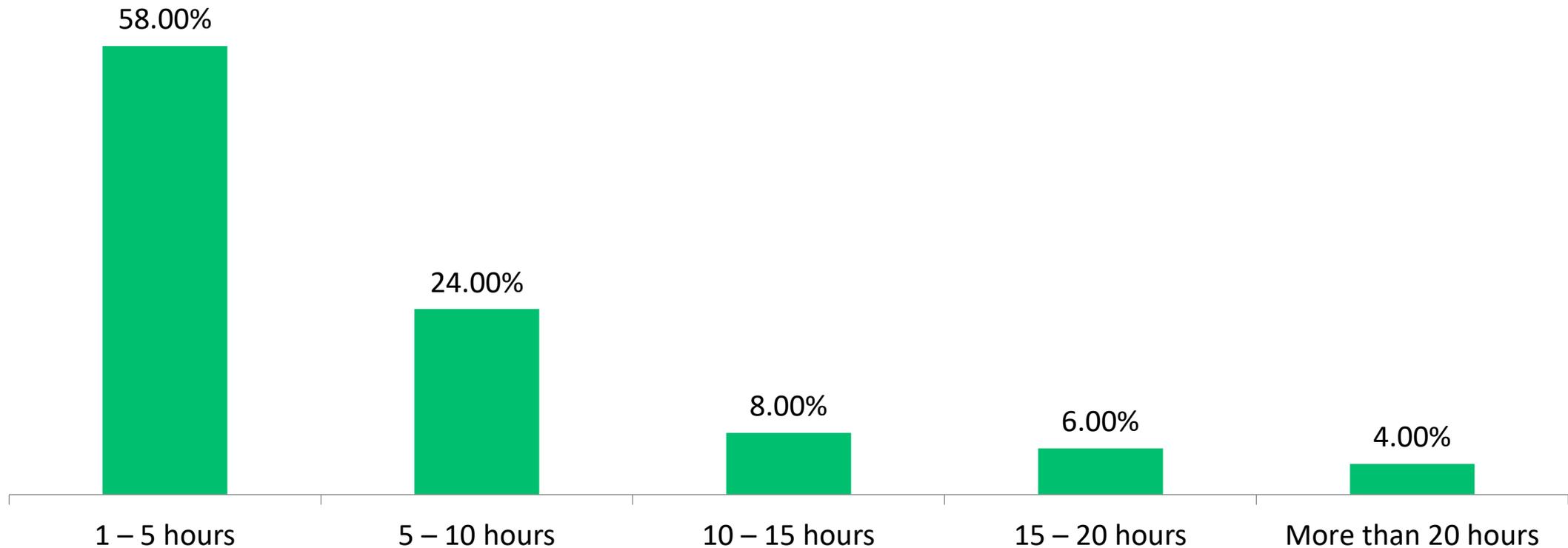
How many times per year do you turn down court appointments?



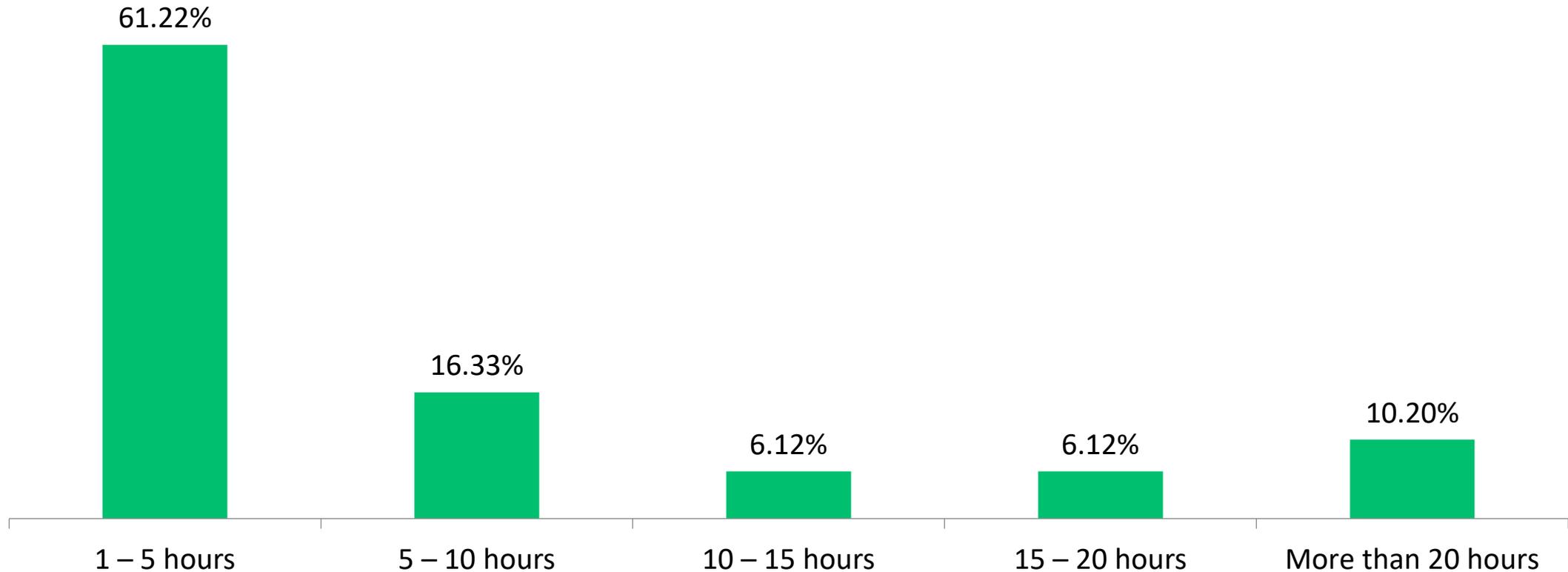
How many times per year do you turn down non-indigent clients/cases to work on court appointments?



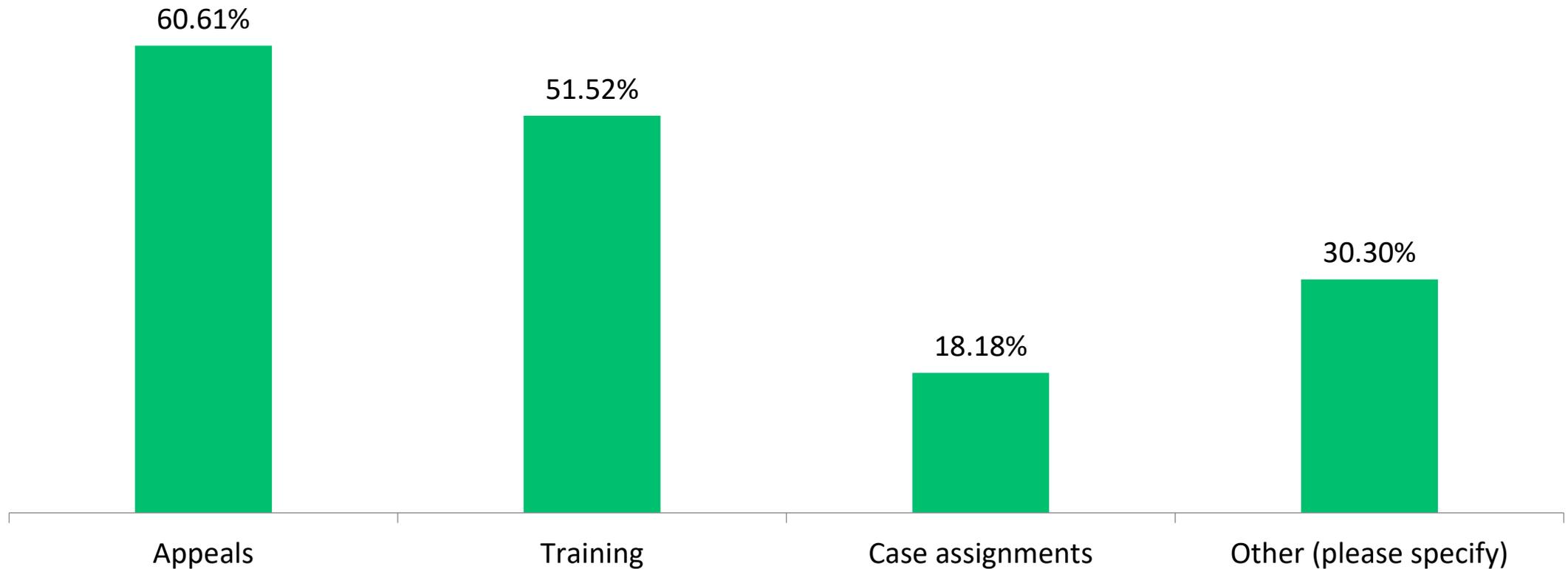
How many hours of training do you complete per year that is related to your criminal defense practice?



What is the average time that you (and your associates) travel to represent a court-appointed case (travel to court, crime scenes, client, view evidence, library, meet with witnesses)?



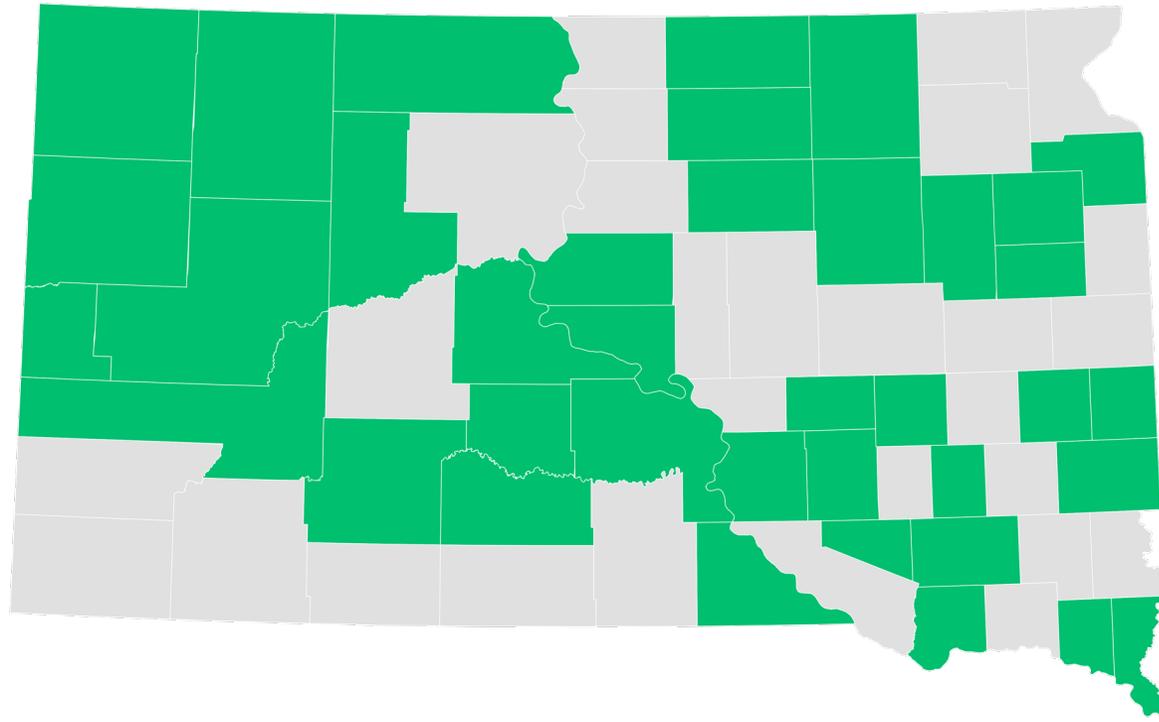
Could you benefit from centralized support for:





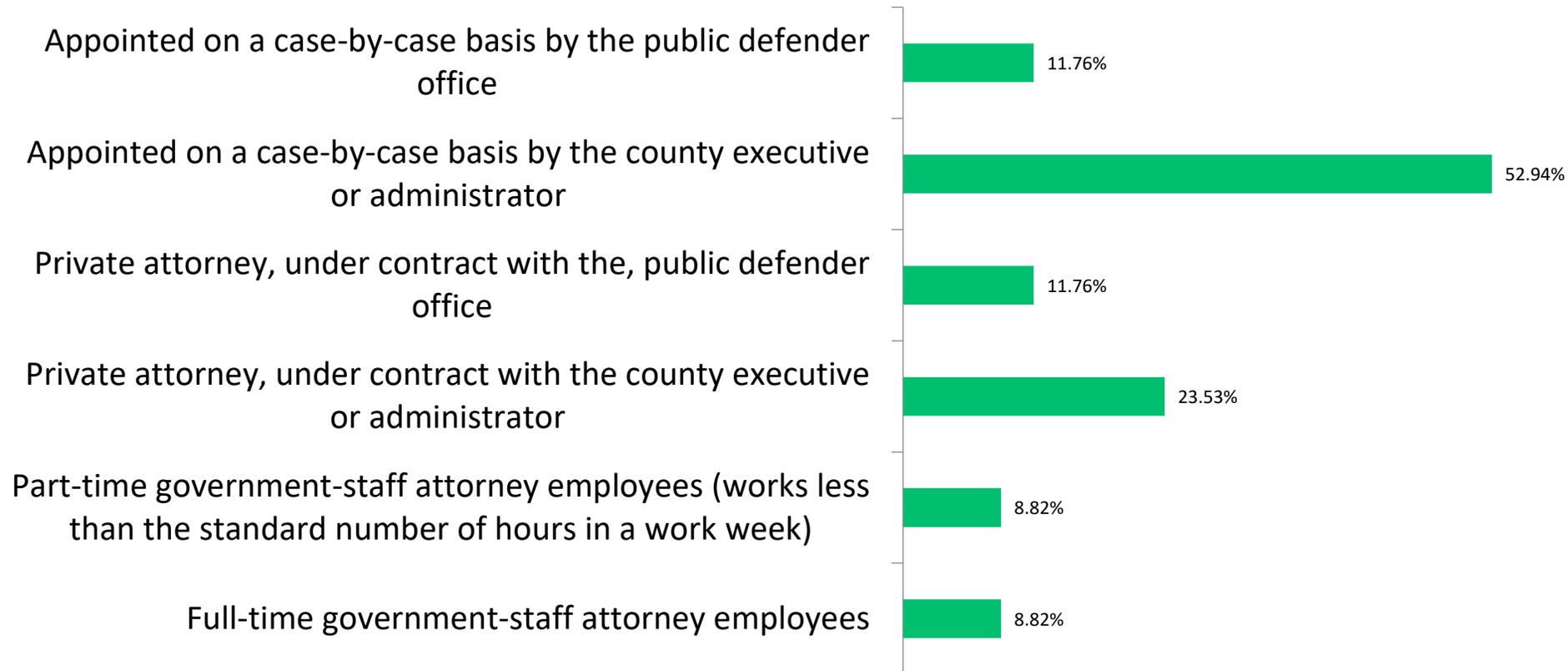
County Administrator Survey Results

Which county do you work?

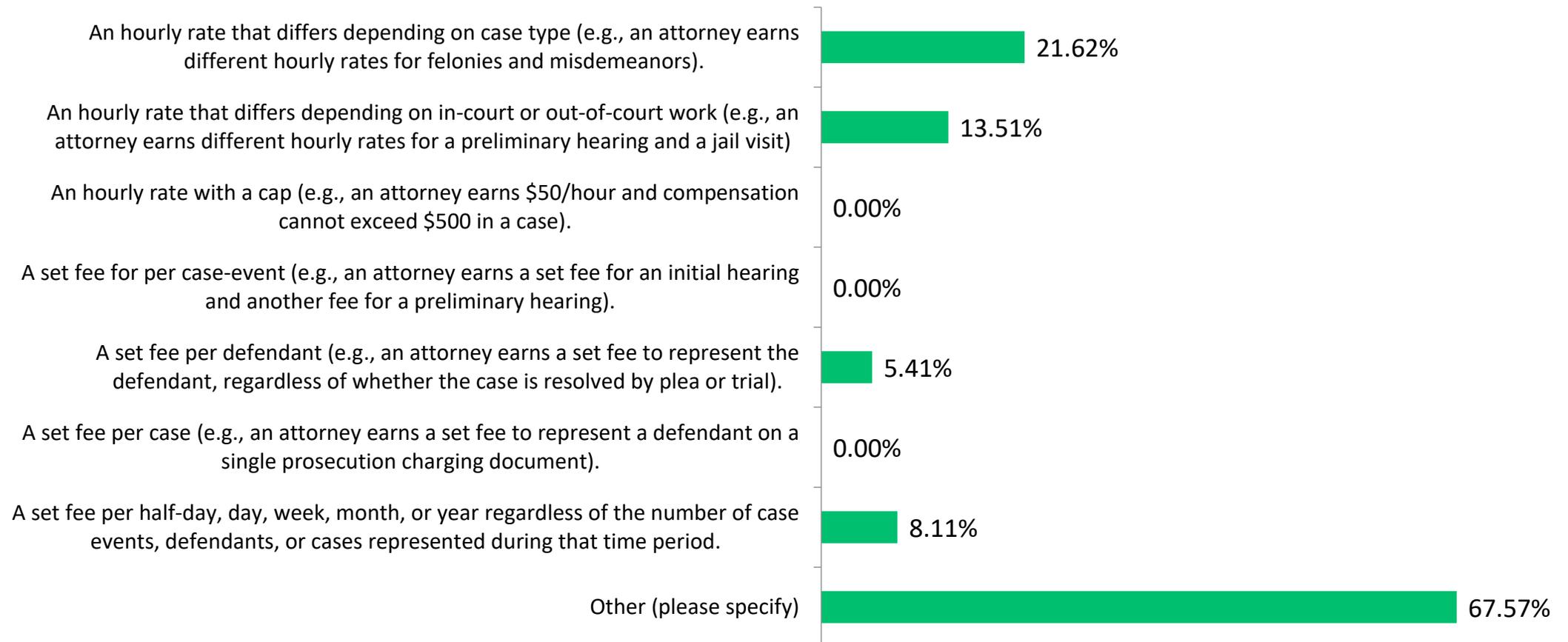


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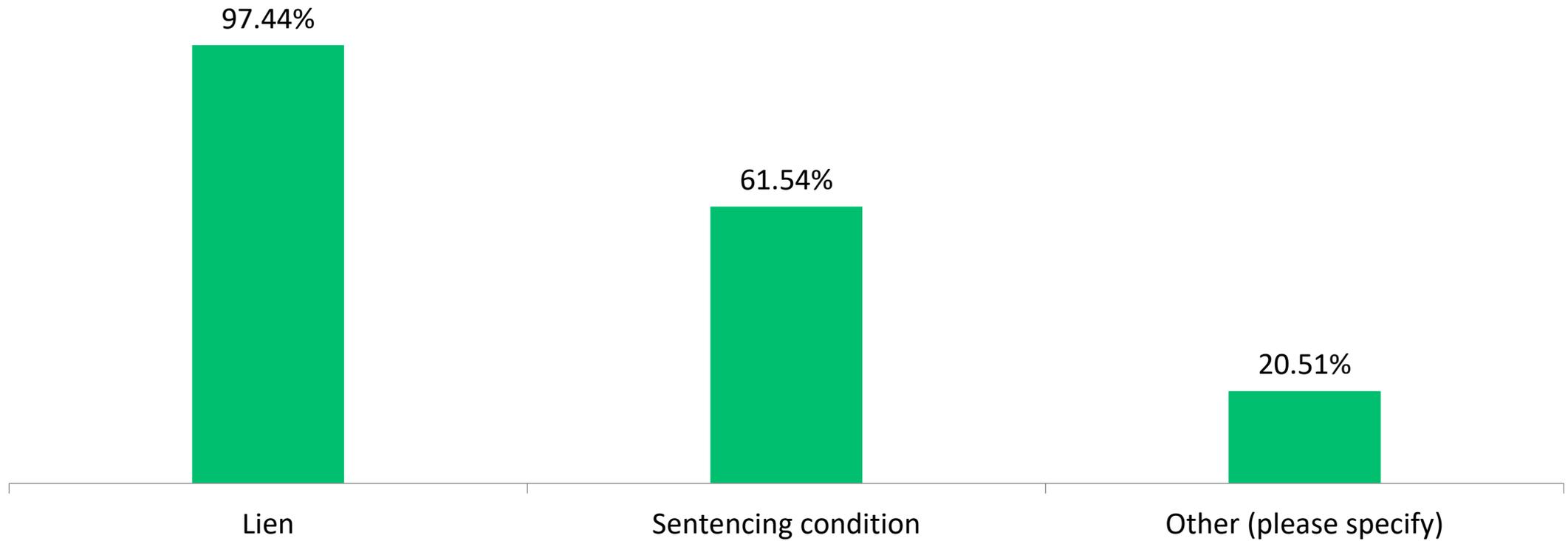
In fiscal year 2022, your county delivered indigent defense services using the following types of attorneys (please check all that apply):



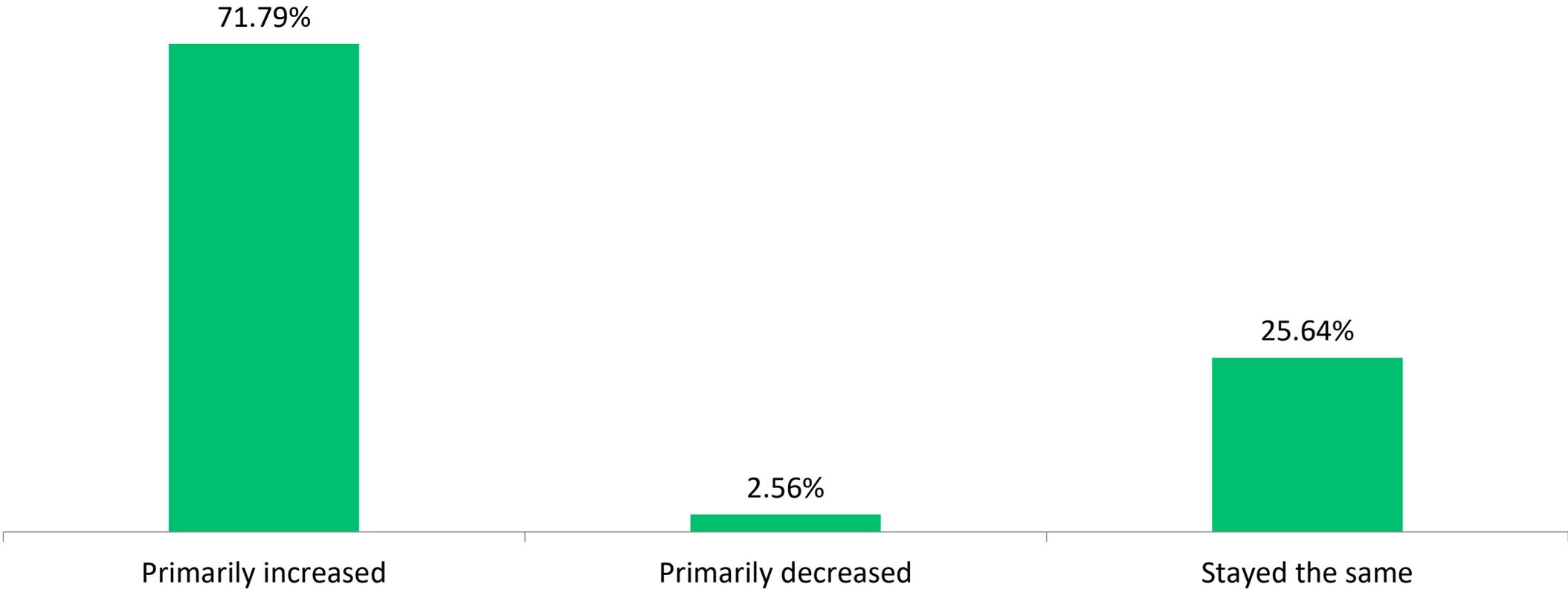
In fiscal year 2022, private attorneys accepting court appointments in your county were paid in the following ways (please check all that apply):



What efforts are taken to recover court-appointed attorney fees?



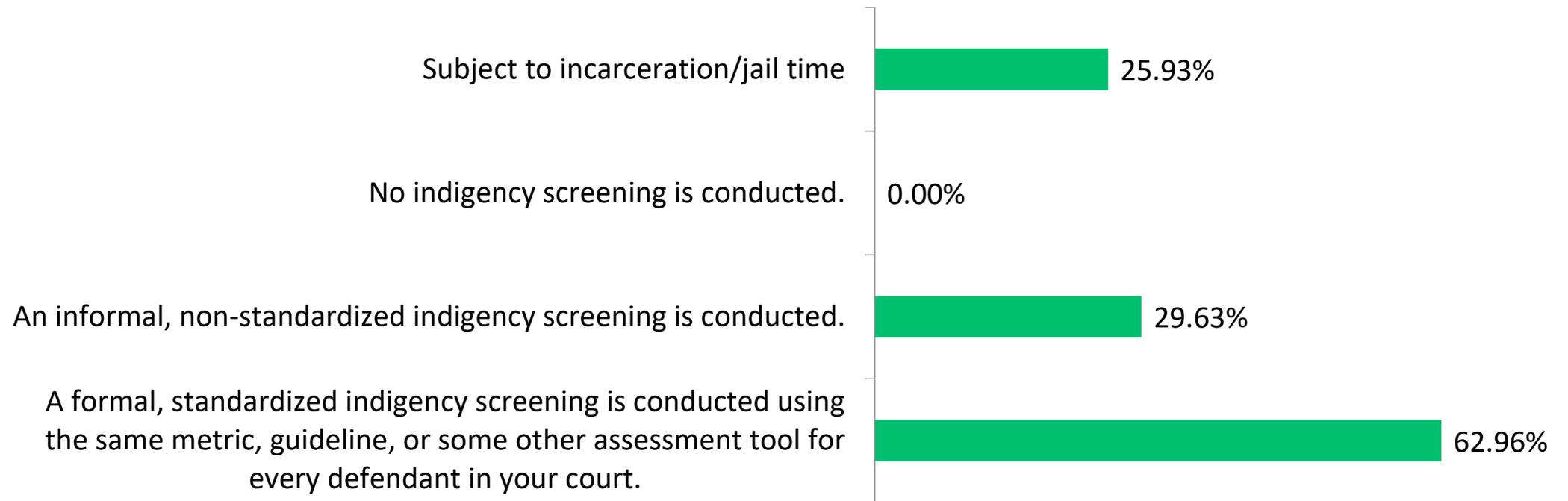
Over the last five years, have indigent defense costs in your county:



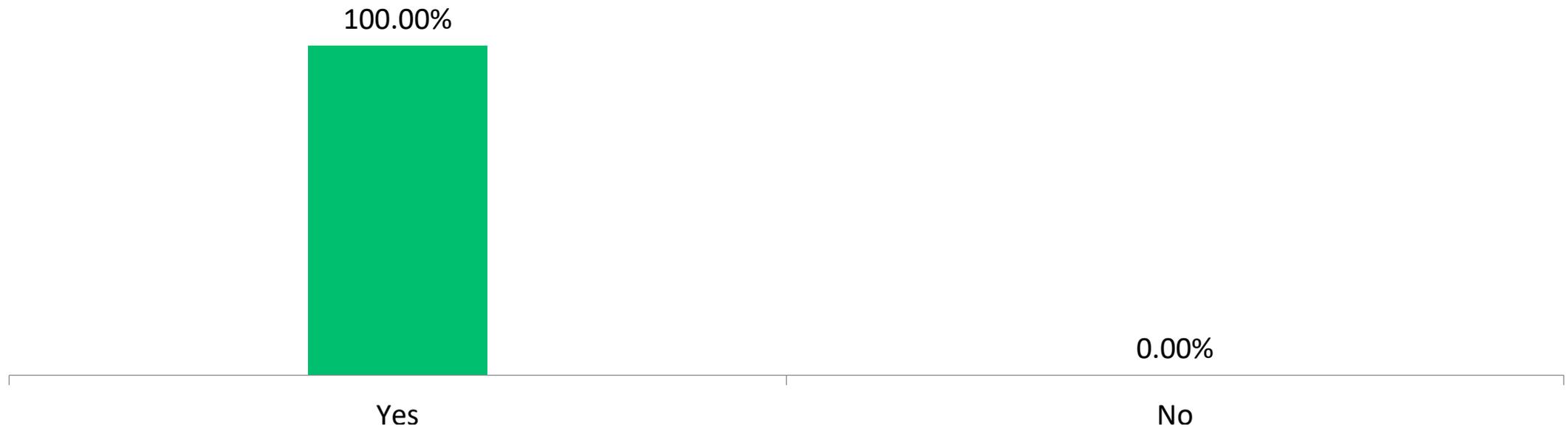


Judges Survey Results

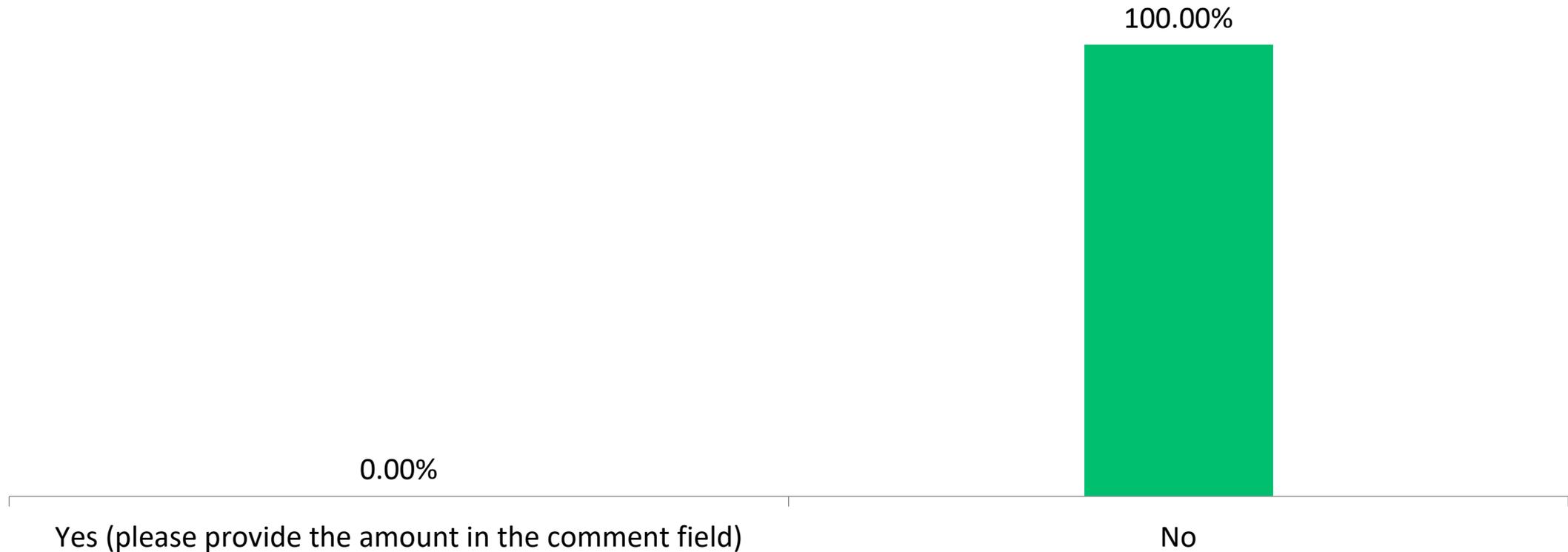
How does a defendant qualify for a court-appointed attorney in your case?



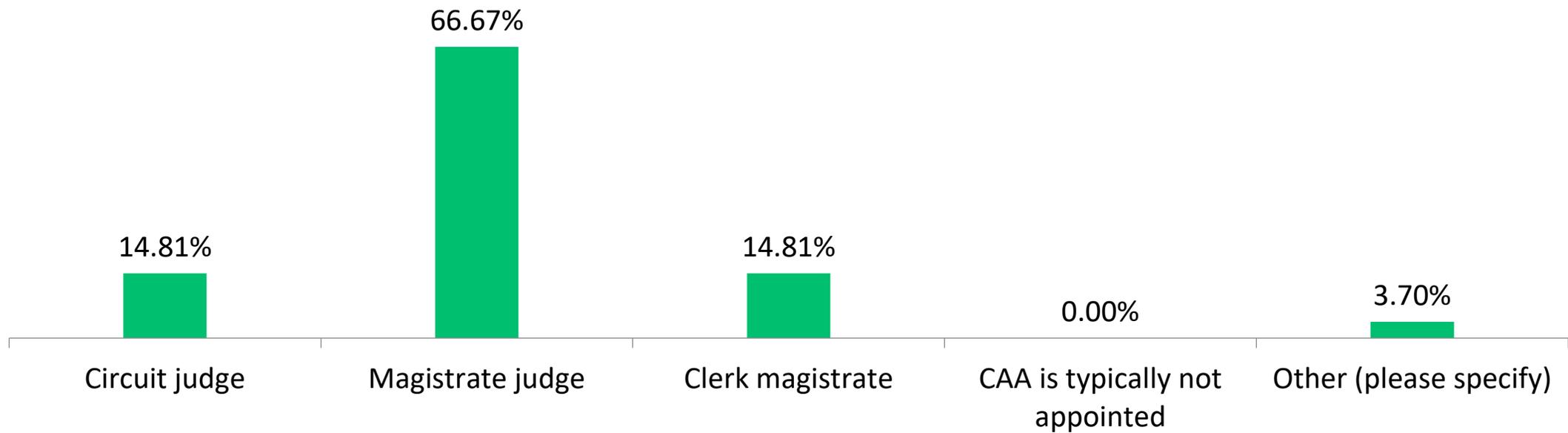
A defendant must submit a written application to receive a court-appointed attorney:



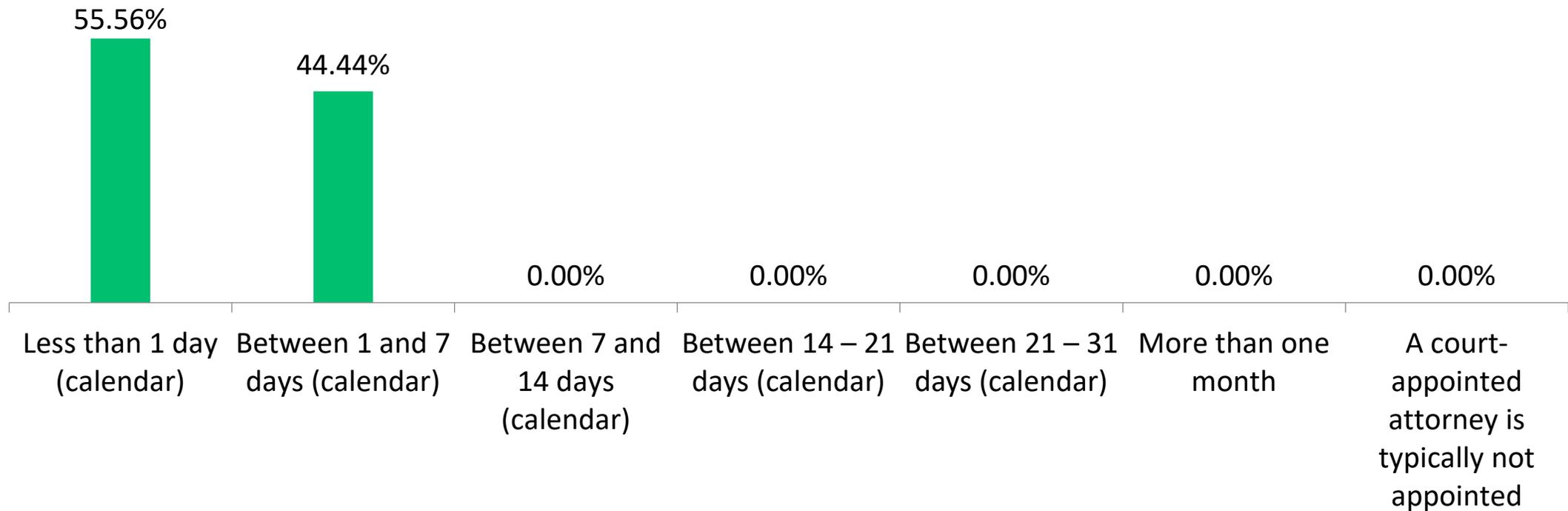
A defendant must pay a fee upfront to receive a court-appointed attorney:



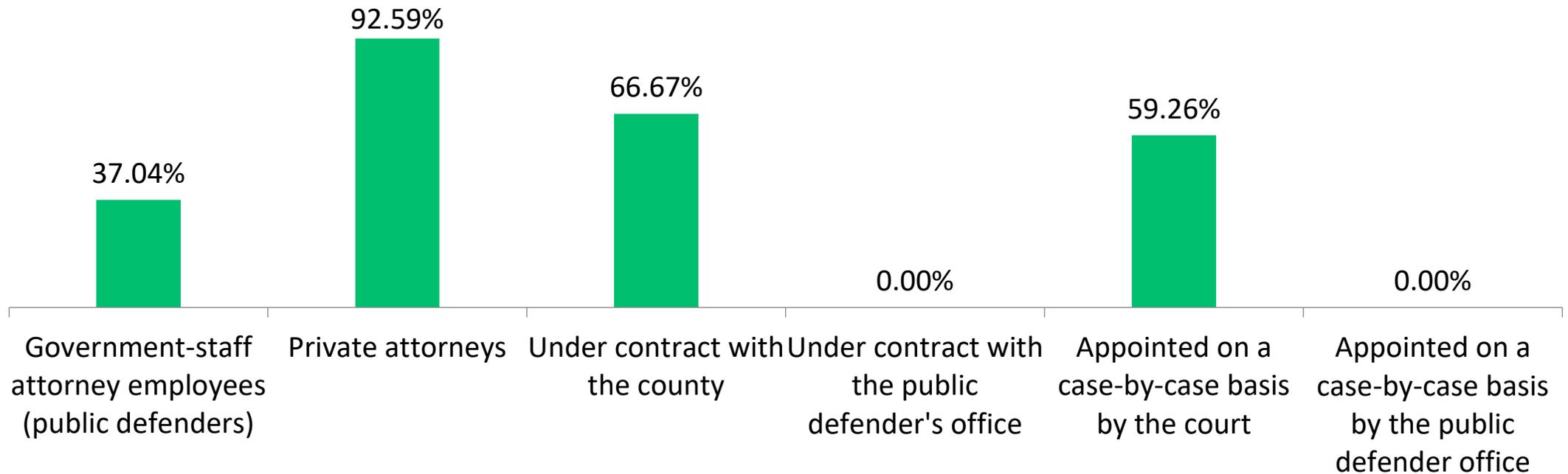
Who typically appoints a court-appointed attorney in a felony case?



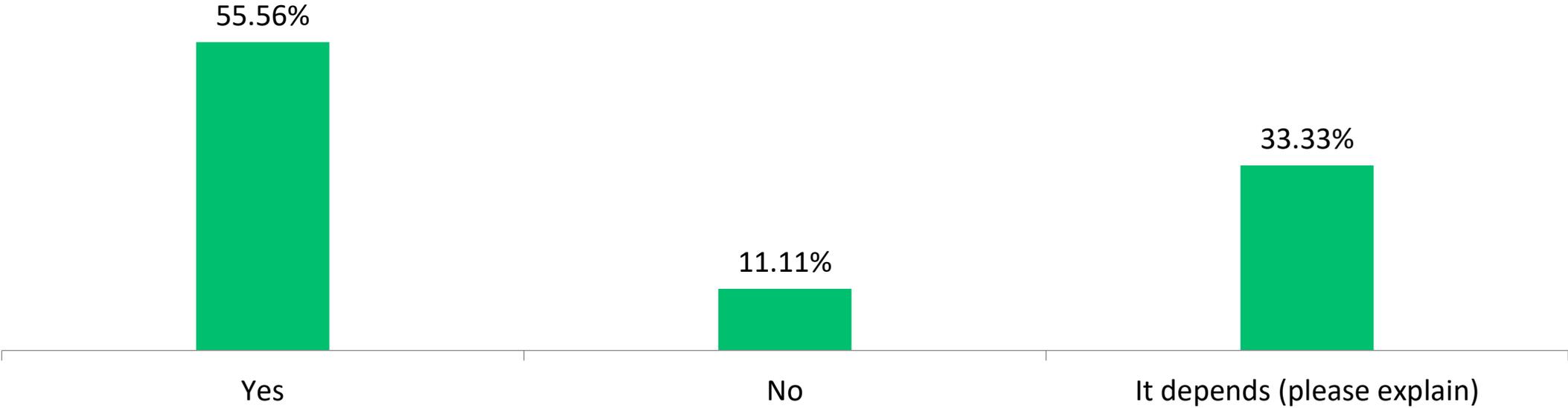
A court-appointed attorney is typically appointed within days after the first court appearance before a judicial official in a felony case:



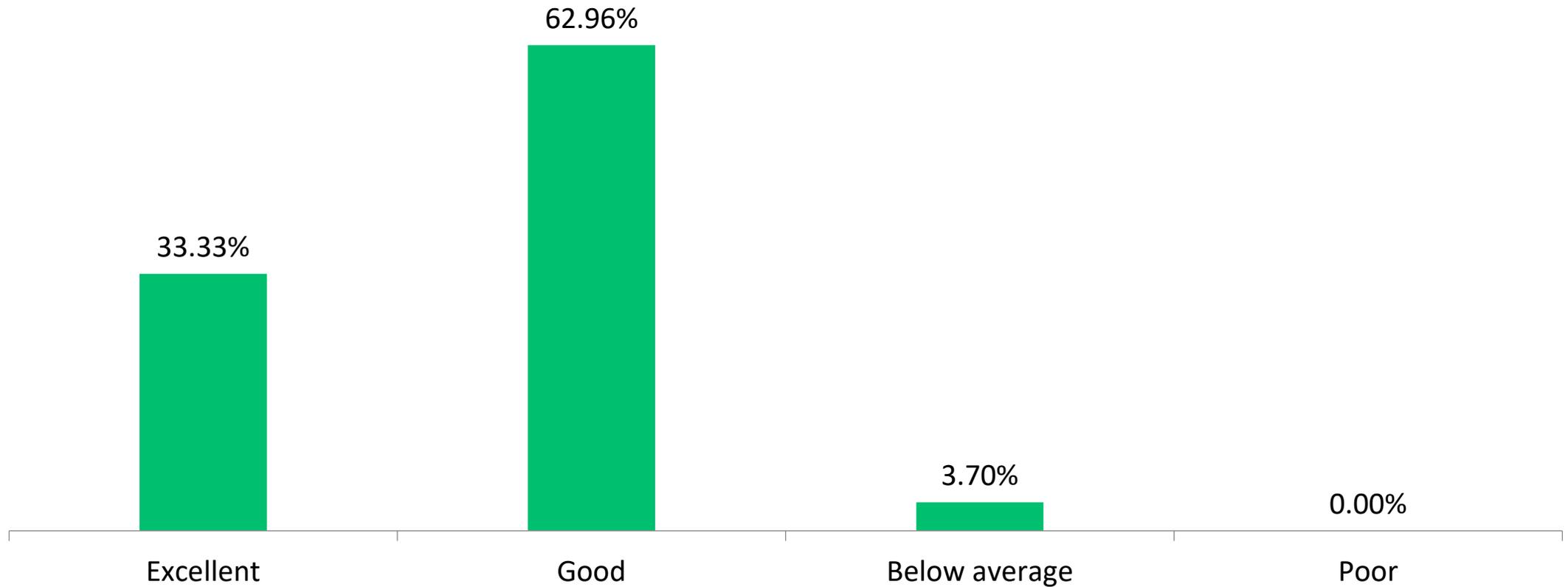
The following type(s) of court-appointed attorneys provide indigent defense services in your court (please check all that apply):



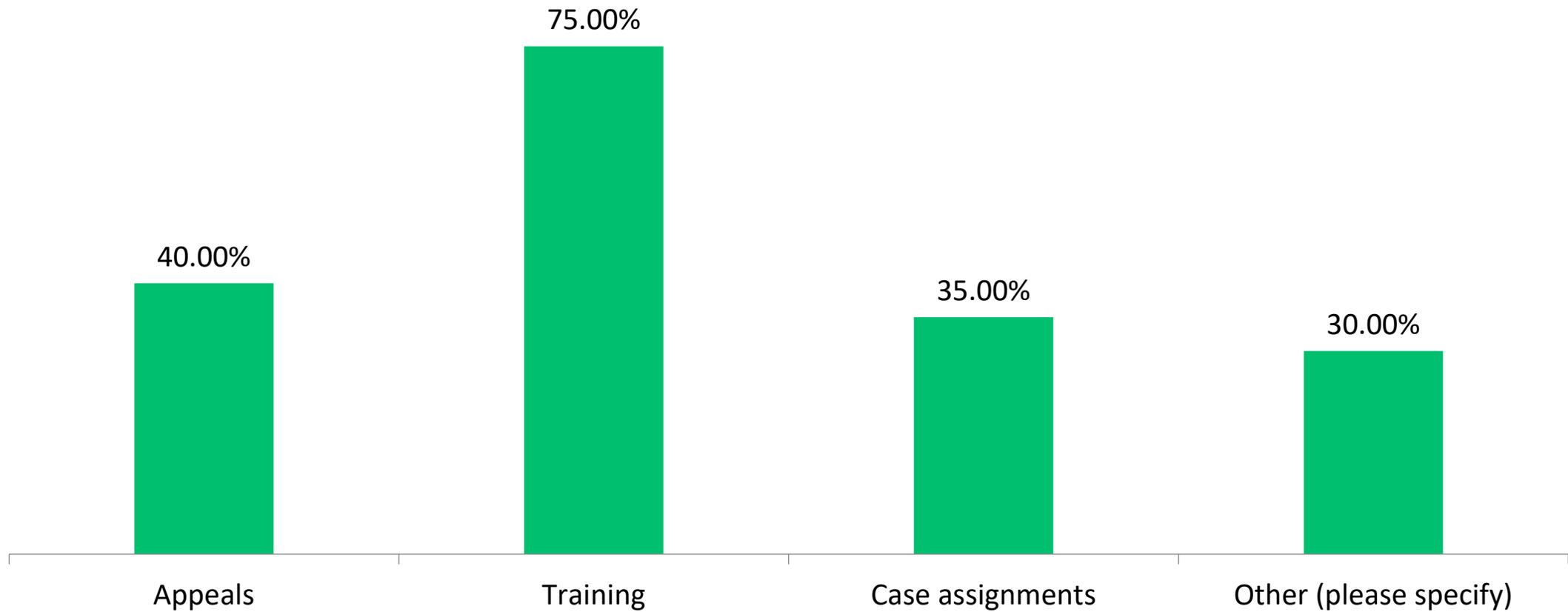
If the court is made aware that a defendant has multiple cases currently occurring in different counties, is there an attempt to appoint the same attorney to represent all of the cases?

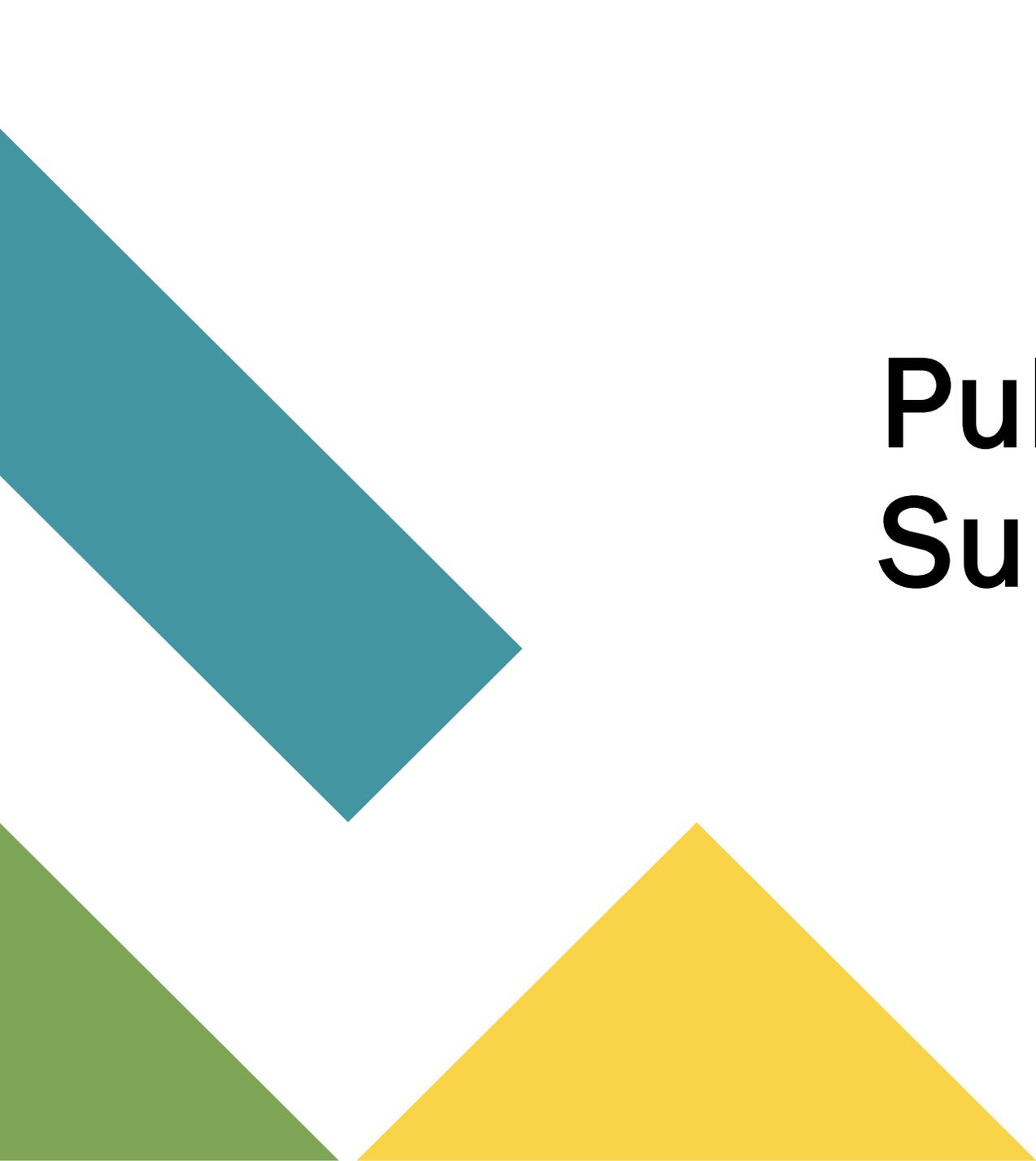


The overall quality of indigent defense in your circuit is:



Could you benefit from centralized support for:





Public Defender Survey Results

Question 1: In which county do you work?

- Minnehaha: 20 responses
- Pennington: 5 responses
- Lawrence: 1 response

Does your public defender's office contract with private attorneys to take court-appointed cases?

- Minnehaha: No
- Pennington: Yes, conflict and overflow cases
- Lawrence: No

How many of the following professionals are on staff in your public defender's office?

	Minnehaha	Pennington	Lawrence
Investigators	0	1	0.5
Social Workers	0	2	0
Paralegals	6	2	0.5
Administrative Assistants	7	4	0
Receptionists	0	4	1
Interns	3-seasonal only	3	0

What is the average time that your office travels to represent court-appointed cases each month (travel to court, crime scenes, client, view evidence, library, meet with witnesses)?

- Minnehaha: Less than 20 hours
- Pennington: Less than 20 hours
- Lawrence: Less than 20 hours

Could you benefit from centralized support for:

	Minnehaha	Pennington	Lawrence
Appeals	X	X	X
Training	X	X	X
Case Assignments	X		
Other (please specify)	X		