

# 2018 Employee Climate Survey

## Presentation for the Division of Operations

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Assessment Group for Diversity Issues

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For more information and full results: <https://diversity.colostate.edu/2018-employee-climate-survey/>



Colorado State University

# CSU Climate Assessment

- Purpose
  - Assess the current CSU climate
- 2018 Focus
  - Provide results to divisions/colleges and departments/units when possible
- Biennial assessment
  - Survey
  - Open ends
  - Open forums
  - Focus groups

# CSU Climate Assessment

- Results
  - Provide an overall picture of CSU's employment experiences and perceptions
  - Further CSU's commitment to institutional accountability
  - Be actionable and incite dialogue
    - Inform policies, initiatives, and opportunities that will provide an exceptional and equitable work environment
  - Provide a benchmark for longitudinal data collection and comparison for perceptions of diversity

# Methodology

- Administered via Qualtrics in Fall 2018
  - Spanish and hard copy versions available
  - 15 minutes to complete
  - Anonymous
  - Results are reported in aggregate and no identifying information reported
  - Emails sent by deans and vice presidents

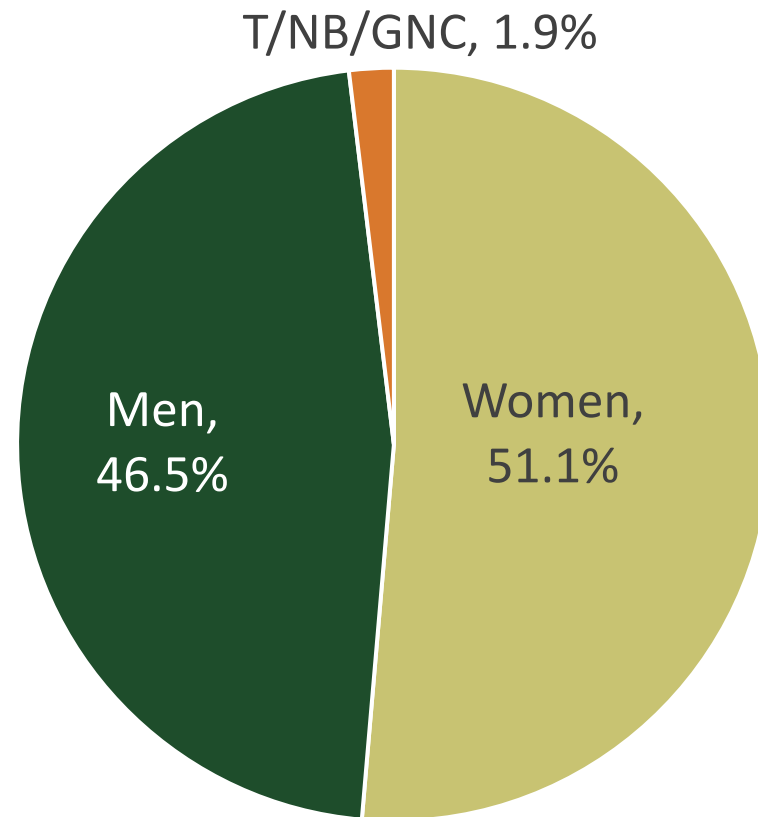
# CSU Response Rate Over Time

	2014 (n = 2,150)	2016 (n = 2,191)	2018 (n = 4,058)
All Employees	26.0%	30.3%	58.5%
Administrative Professional	28.2%	32.0%	50.5%
Faculty	29.3%	18.7%	45.6%
State Classified	30.7%	39.4%	47.3%

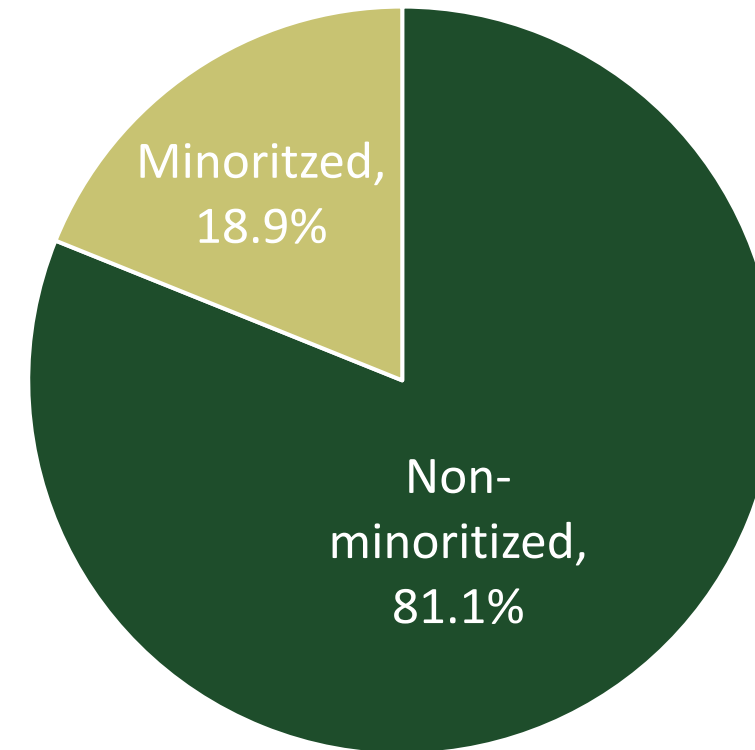
# Division Response Rates

Division	Response Rate
Enrollment and Access	83.9%
Graduate School or International Programs	80.6%
University Advancement	79.0%
Student Affairs-Health Network & Wellness Programs	70.8%
Student Affairs-All other units	68.5%
External Relations	64.9%
University Operations	63.0% (n=427)
Research	61.4%
Information Technology & Libraries	60.5%
Engagement	56.9%
Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President	56.7%
Office of the President	51.8%
Student Affairs-Housing and Dining	32.0%
Total (n = 4,058)	58.5%

# Respondent Characteristics for Operations

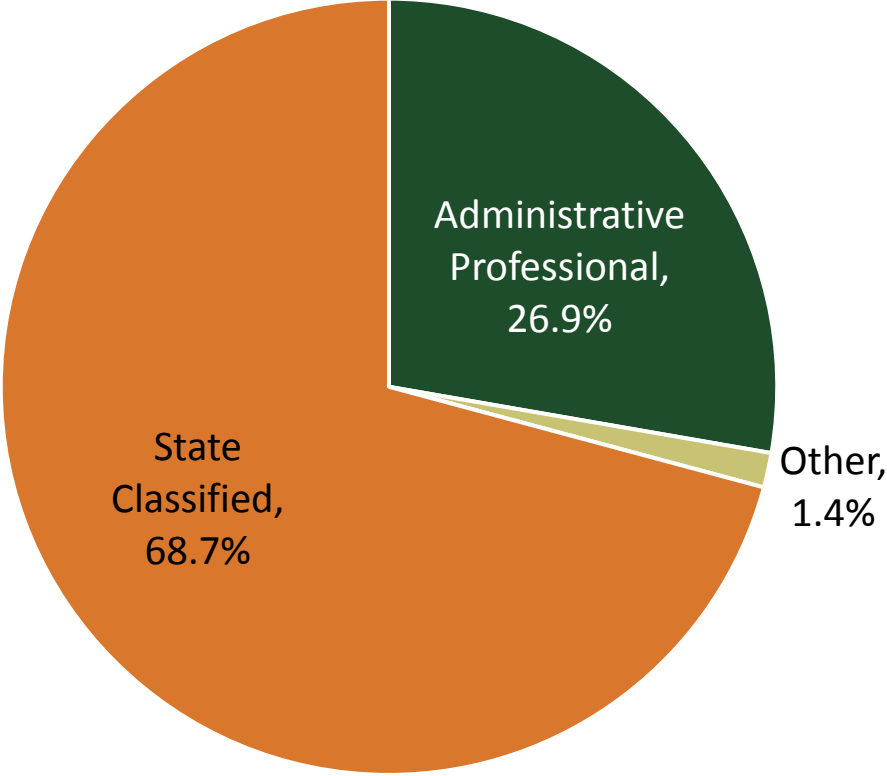


Gender

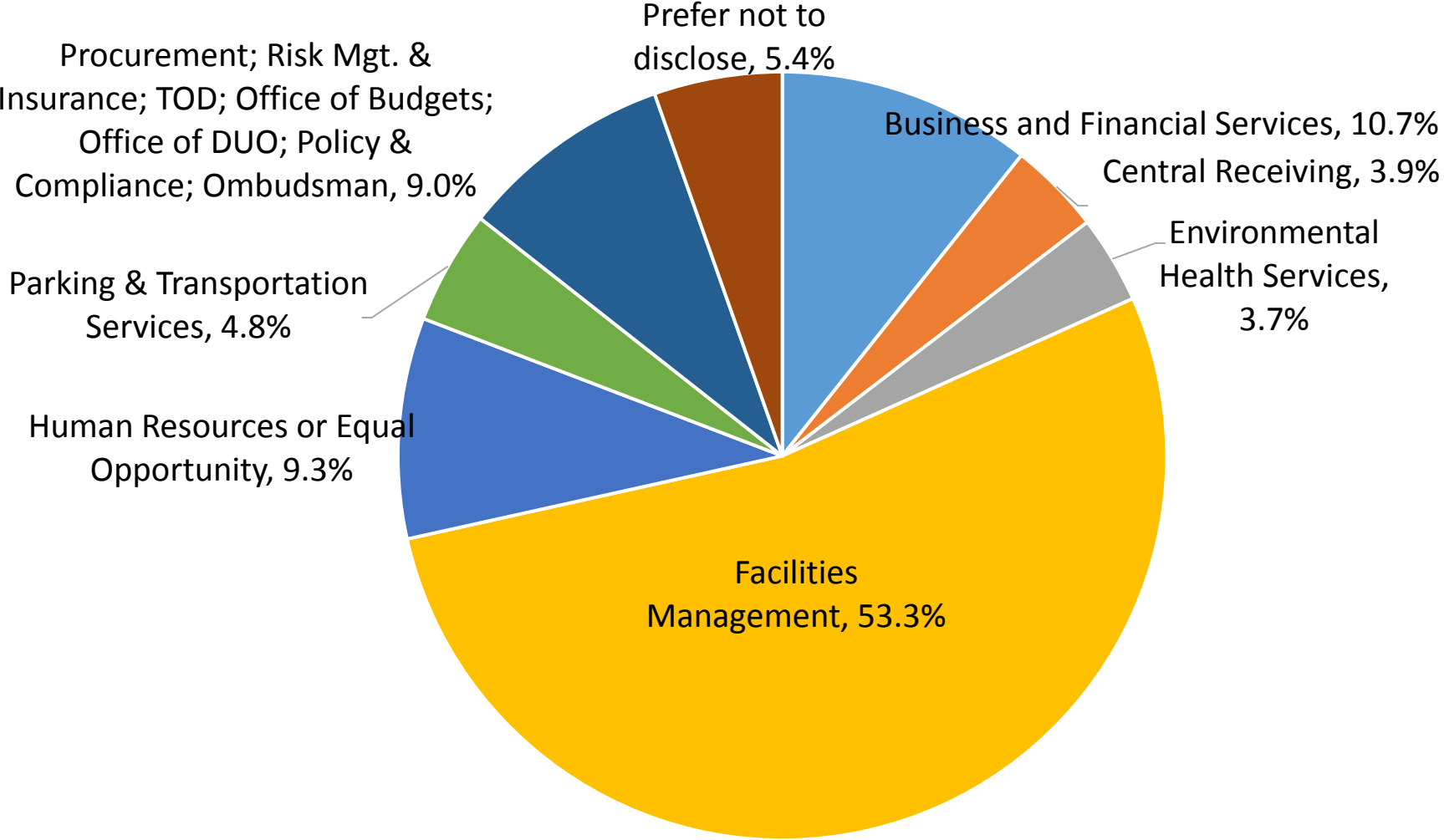


Minoritized  
Race/Ethnicity

# Employee Characteristics



Employee Type



Unit



# Survey Framework

- ❖ Culture
- ❖ Respect
- ❖ Favoritism
- ❖ Leadership & Accountability
- ❖ Misconduct
- ❖ Bias Incidents
- ❖ Principles of Community
- ❖ Employee Councils
- ❖ Freedom of Speech
- ❖ Perceptions of CSU and Department/Unit
- ❖ Discriminatory Attitudes
- ❖ Work Stressors
- ❖ Care Challenges
- ❖ Employee Characteristics
- ❖ Three words to describe your division/college culture
- ❖ Open ends

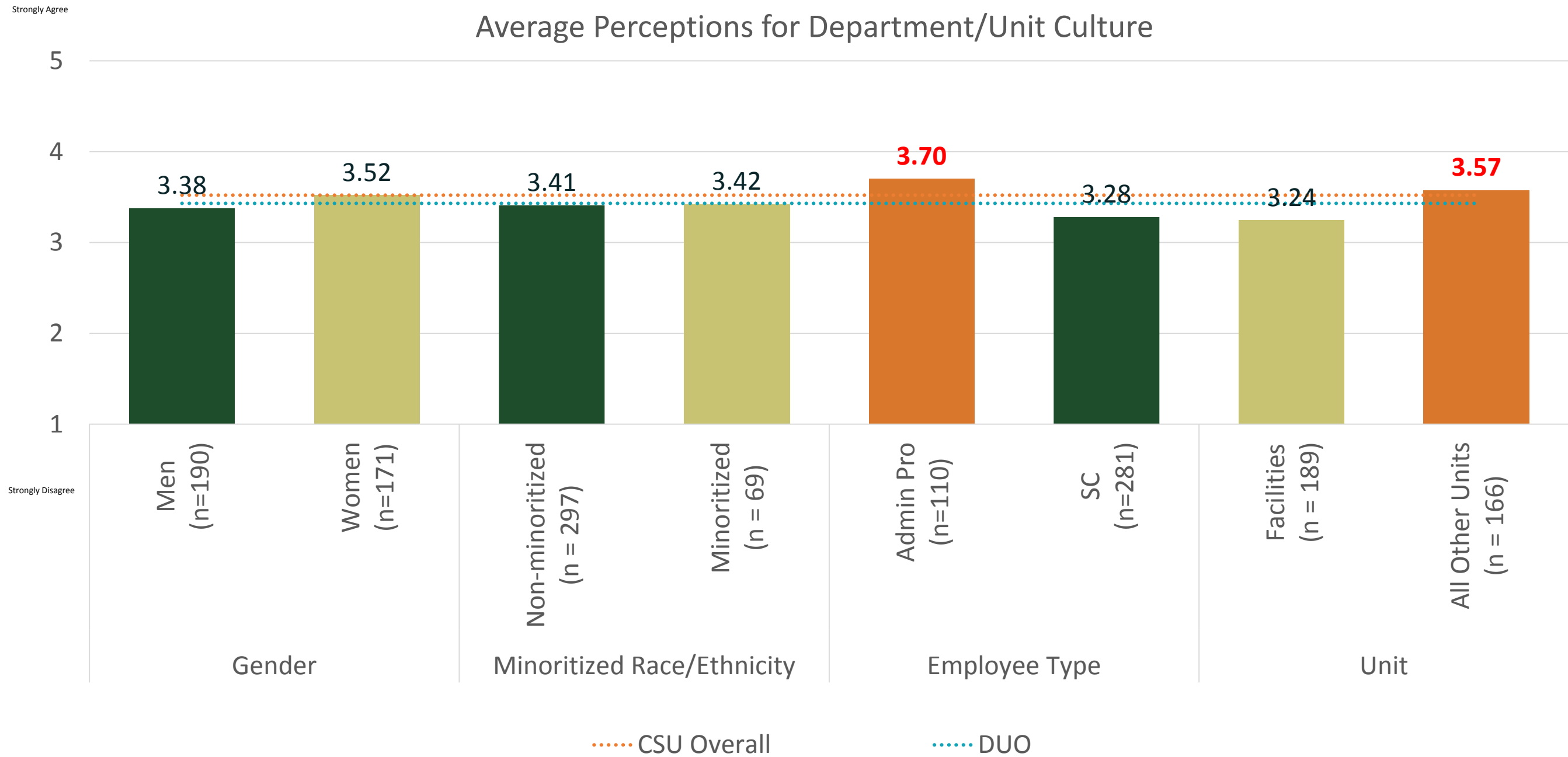
Items were asked on a five-point Likert 1 = Strongly Disagree and 5 = Strongly Agree

# Culture Items

## Department Culture

- My dept. promotes a work environment where all employees feel included -
- My dept. treats all employees equitably
- My dept. is open and transparent in communication
- My dept. values employee input in major department decisions -
- I feel valued as an employee -

# Univ. Operations Culture



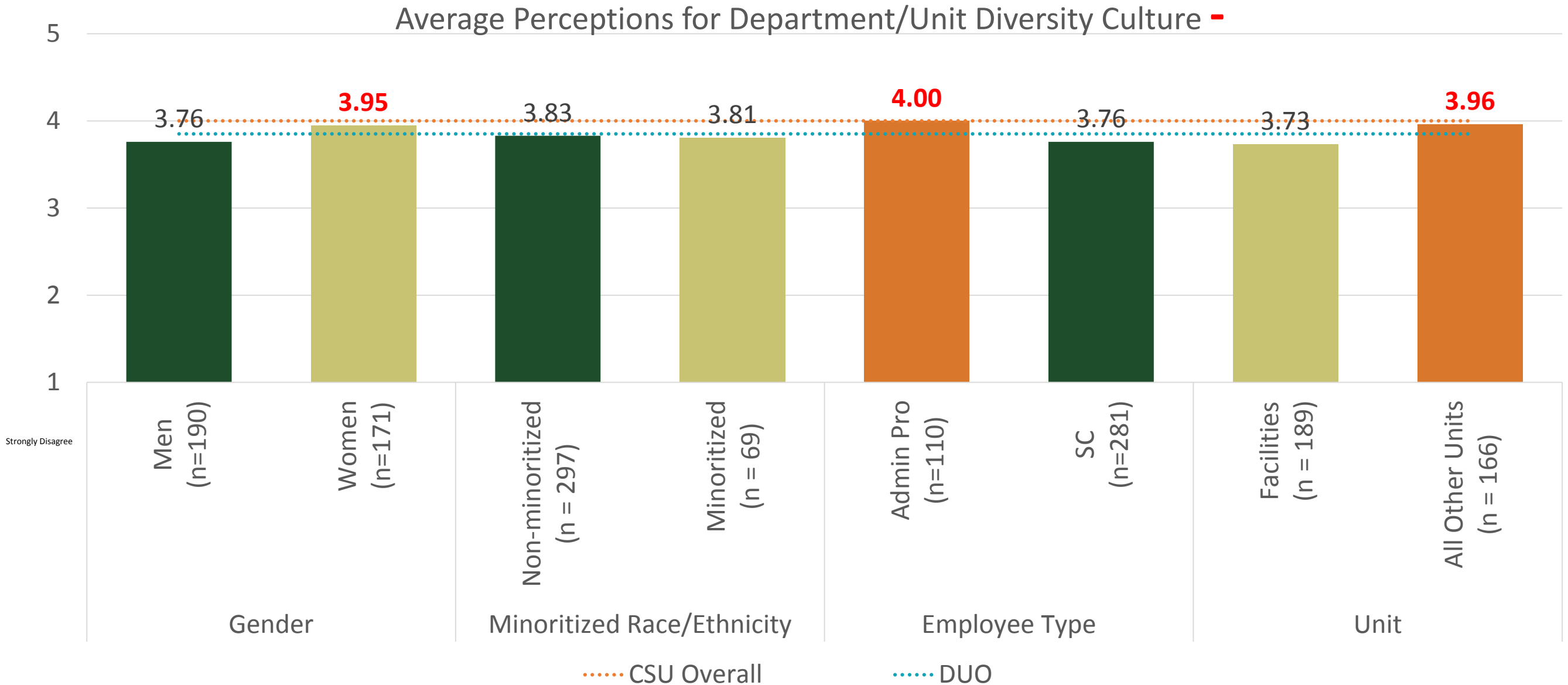
# Culture Items

## Department Diversity Culture

- My department promotes respect for cultural differences -
- My department understands the value of diversity -
- My department communicates the importance of valuing diversity -

# Univ. Operations Culture

Strongly Agree



Strongly Disagree

# Culture Items

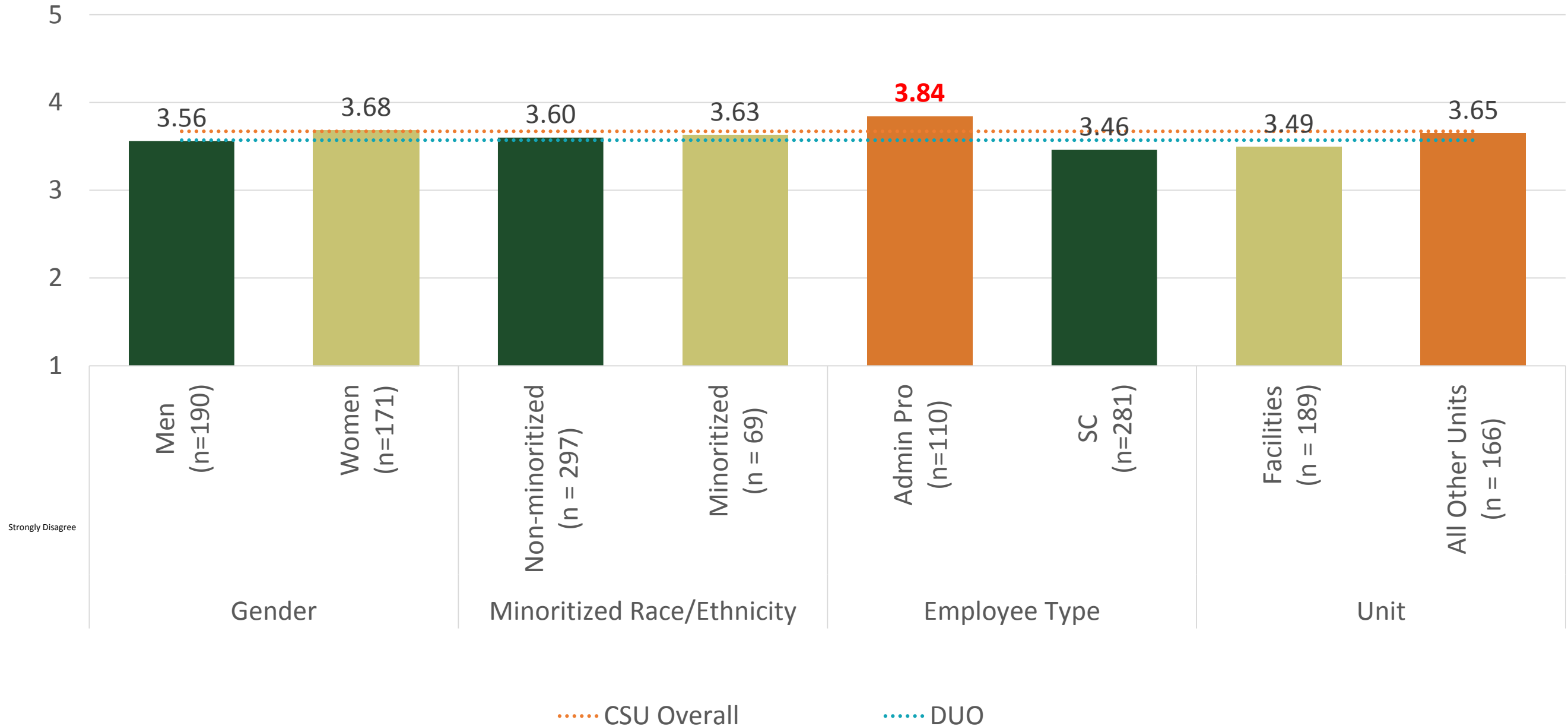
## Sense of Belonging

- I feel a strong sense of belonging to CSU
- I feel a strong sense of belonging to my division/college
- I feel a strong sense of belonging to my department/unit

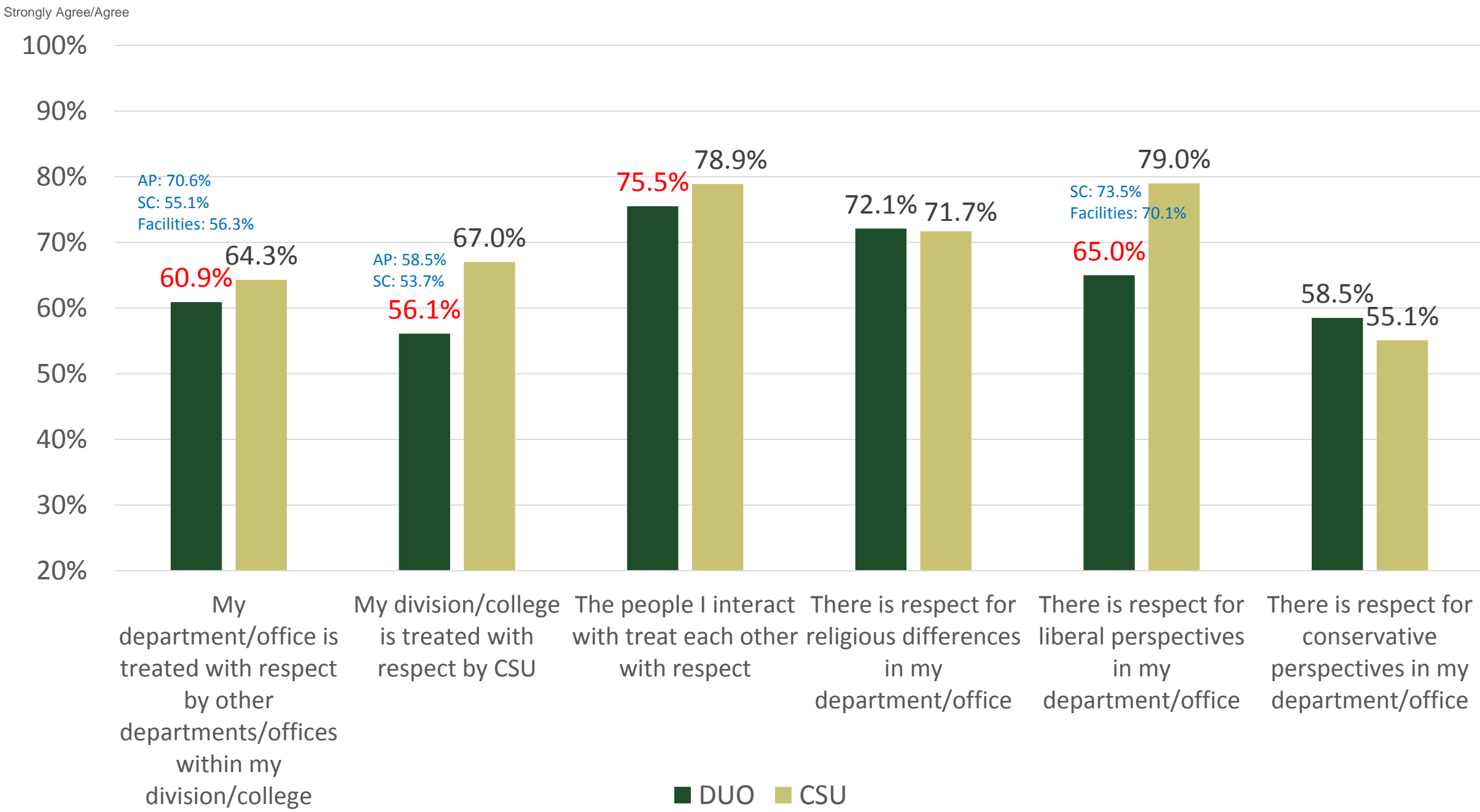
# Univ. Operations Culture

Strongly Agree

Average Perceptions for Sense of Belonging




# Respect





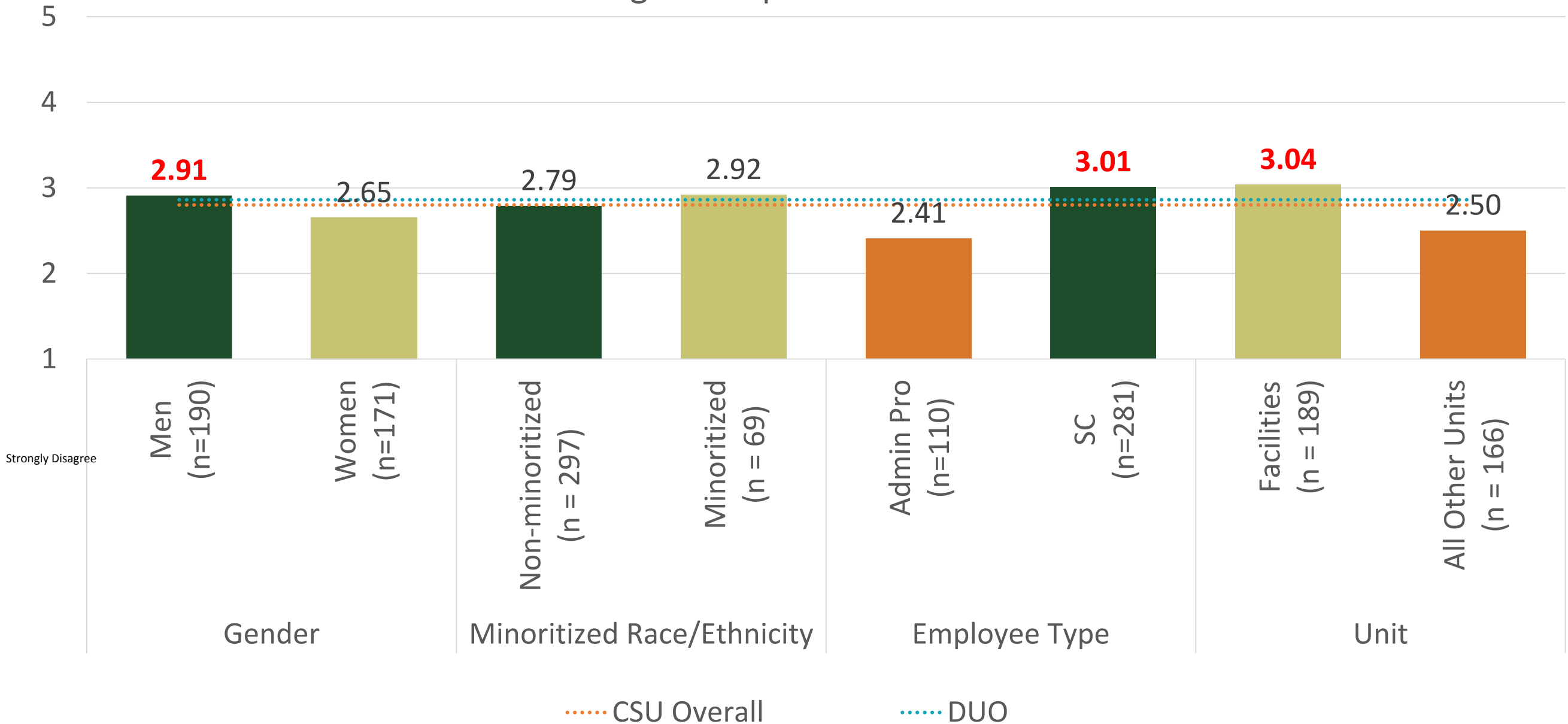
# Favoritism Items

- Favoritism plays a role in who gets recognized within my department/office
- Favoritism plays a role in who gets resources in my department/office
- Favoritism plays a role in who gets professional development opportunities 
- Favoritism plays a role in who gets promoted in my department/office
- Favoritism plays a role in who gets hired in my department/office

# Univ. Operations Favoritism

Strongly Agree

Average Perceptions for Favoritism

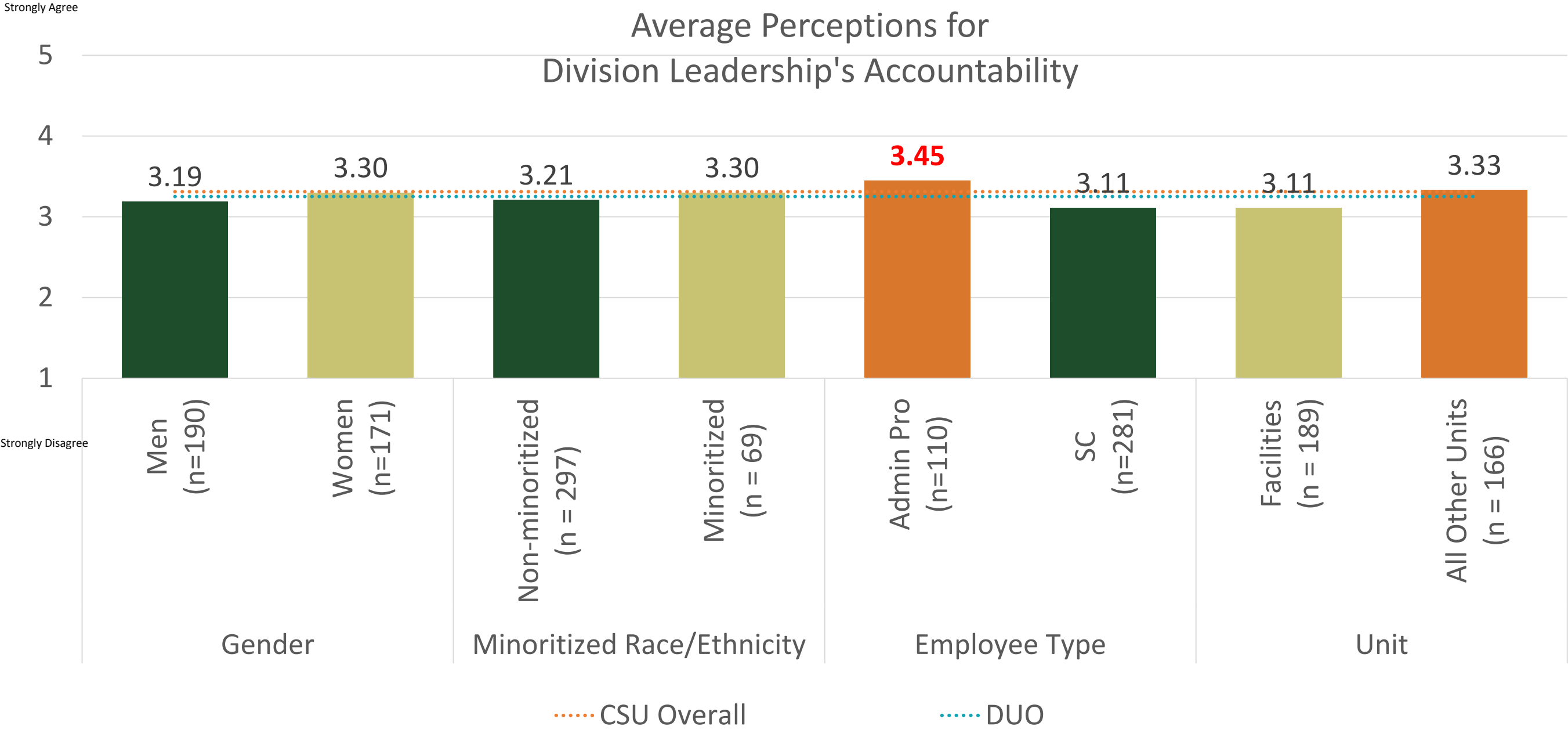


# Leadership and Accountability Items

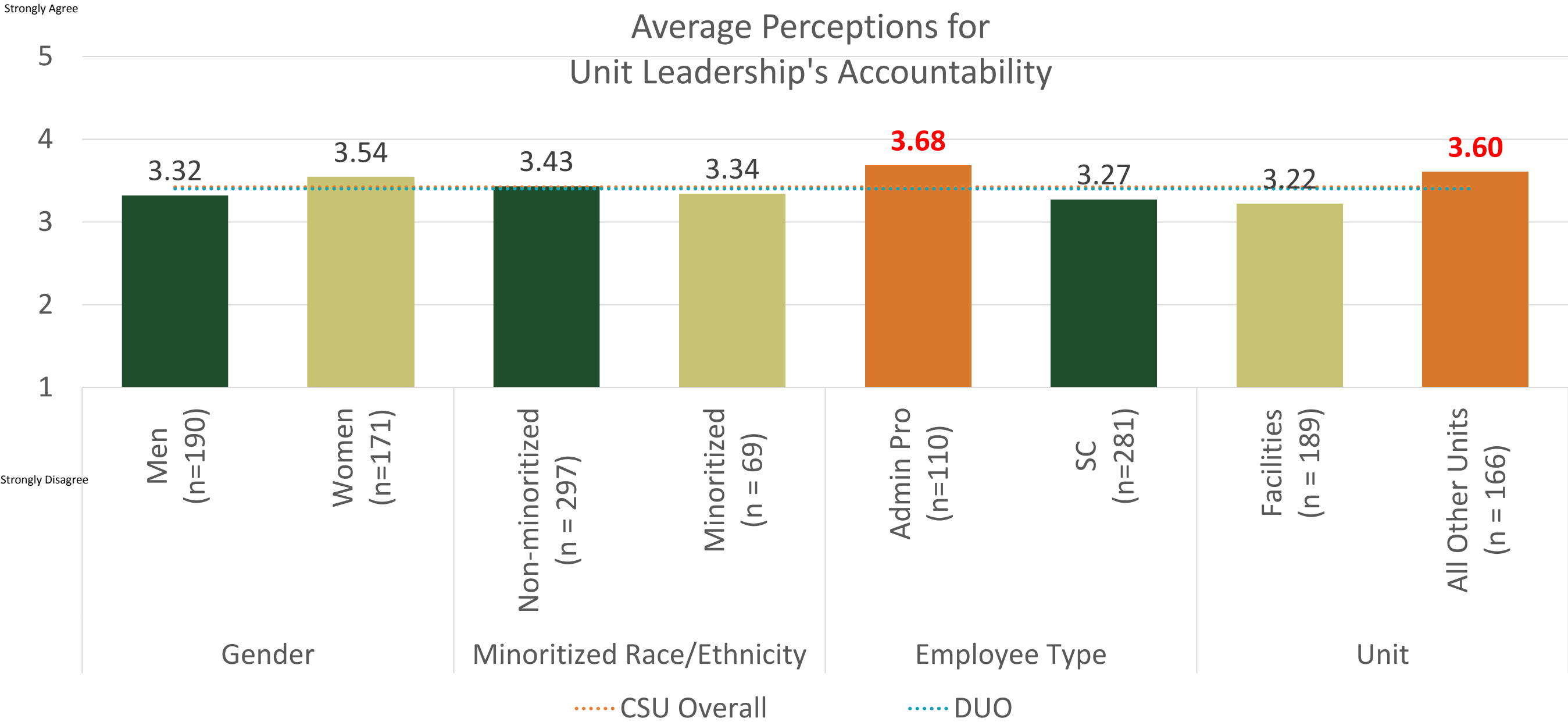
- Items asked each for Division and Unit

	Division	Unit
– Leadership adequately addresses inappropriate behavior		
– Leadership holds employees accountable for inappropriate behavior		
– Leadership holds employees accountable for poor performance		
– Leadership acts ethically and honestly in the workplace	-	-
– Leadership addresses issues of inequity	-	
– Leaders hold all employees to the same standards	-	

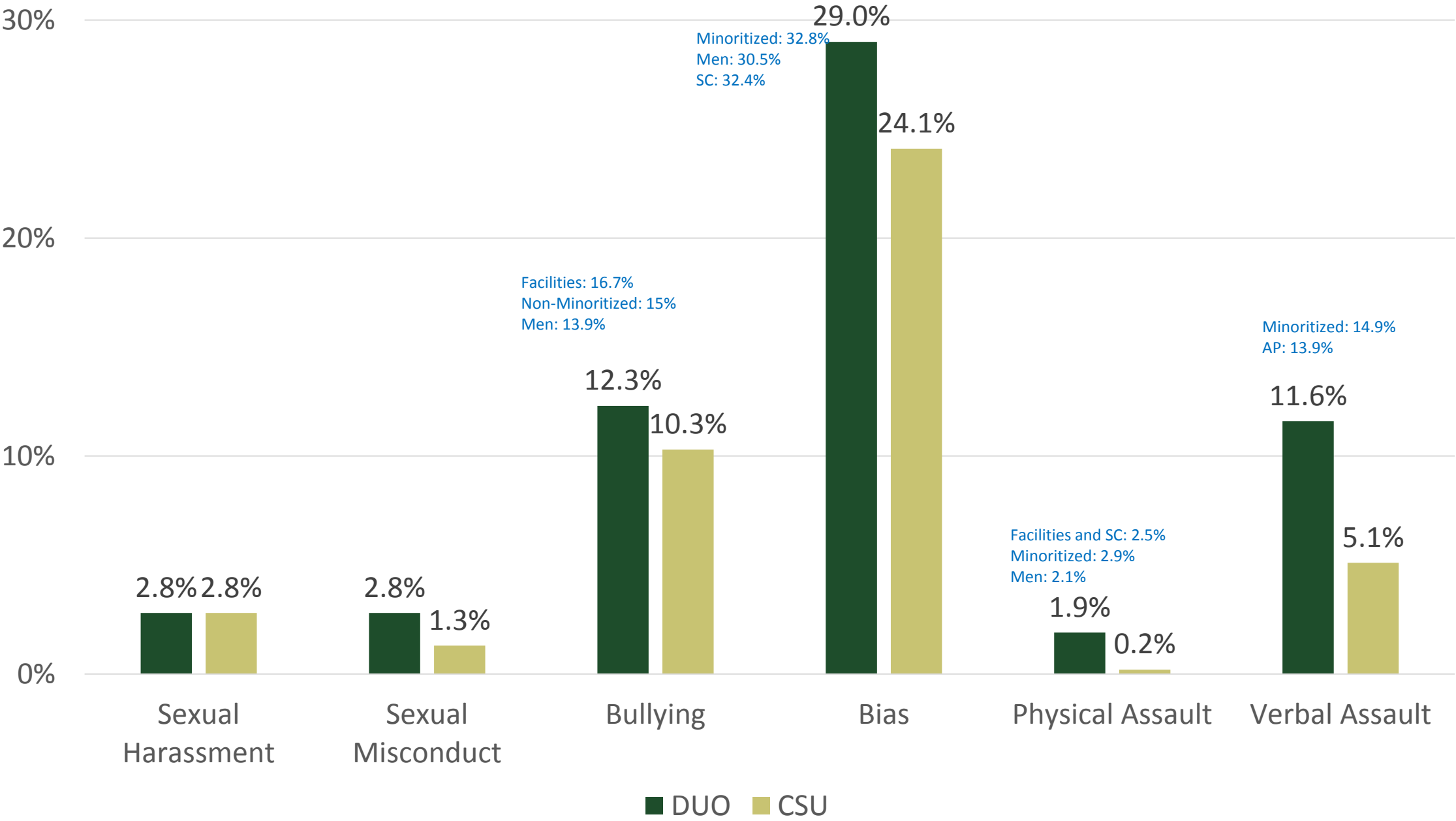
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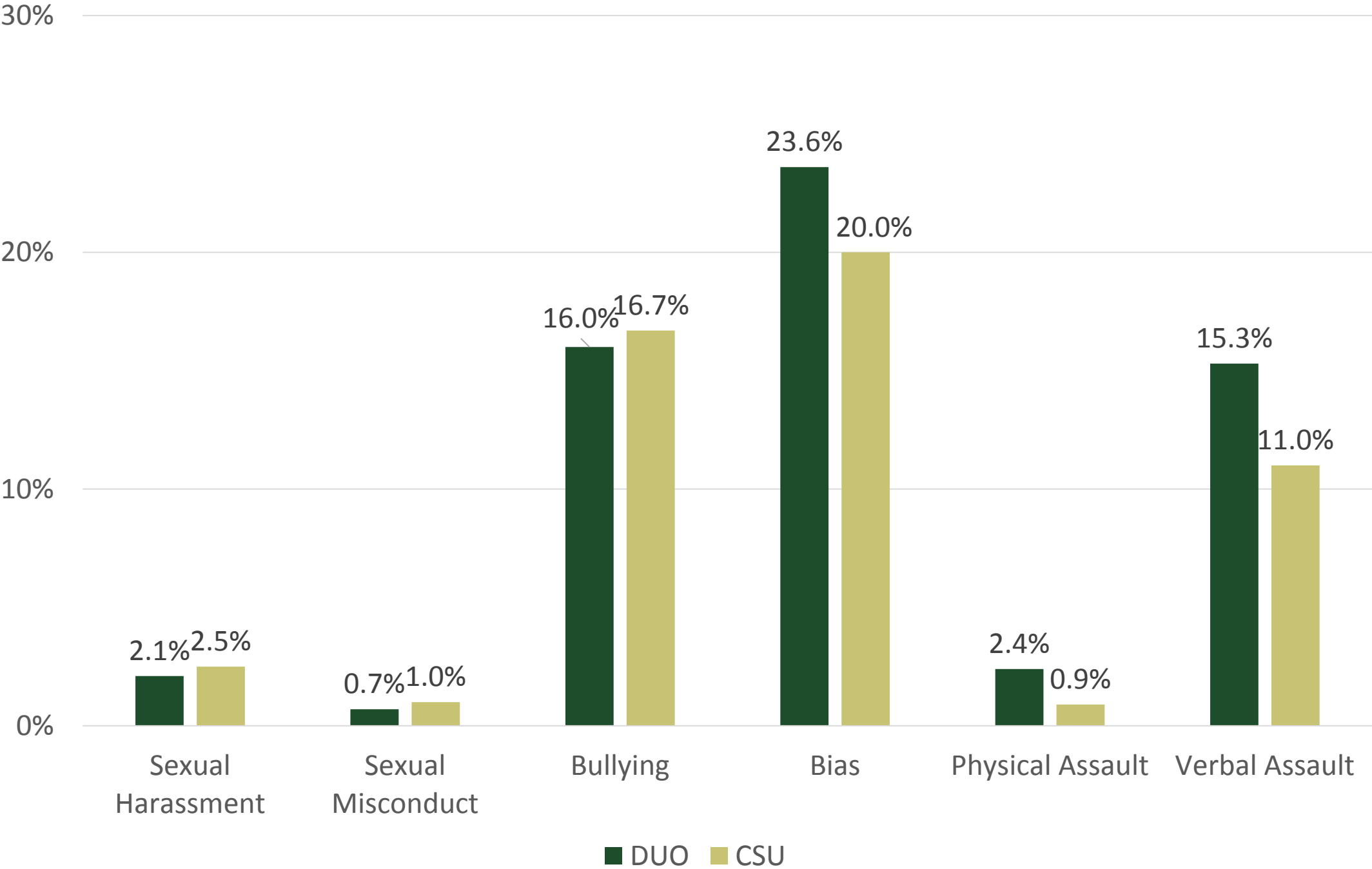


Percentage of respondents who indicated misconduct in their division



Misconduct

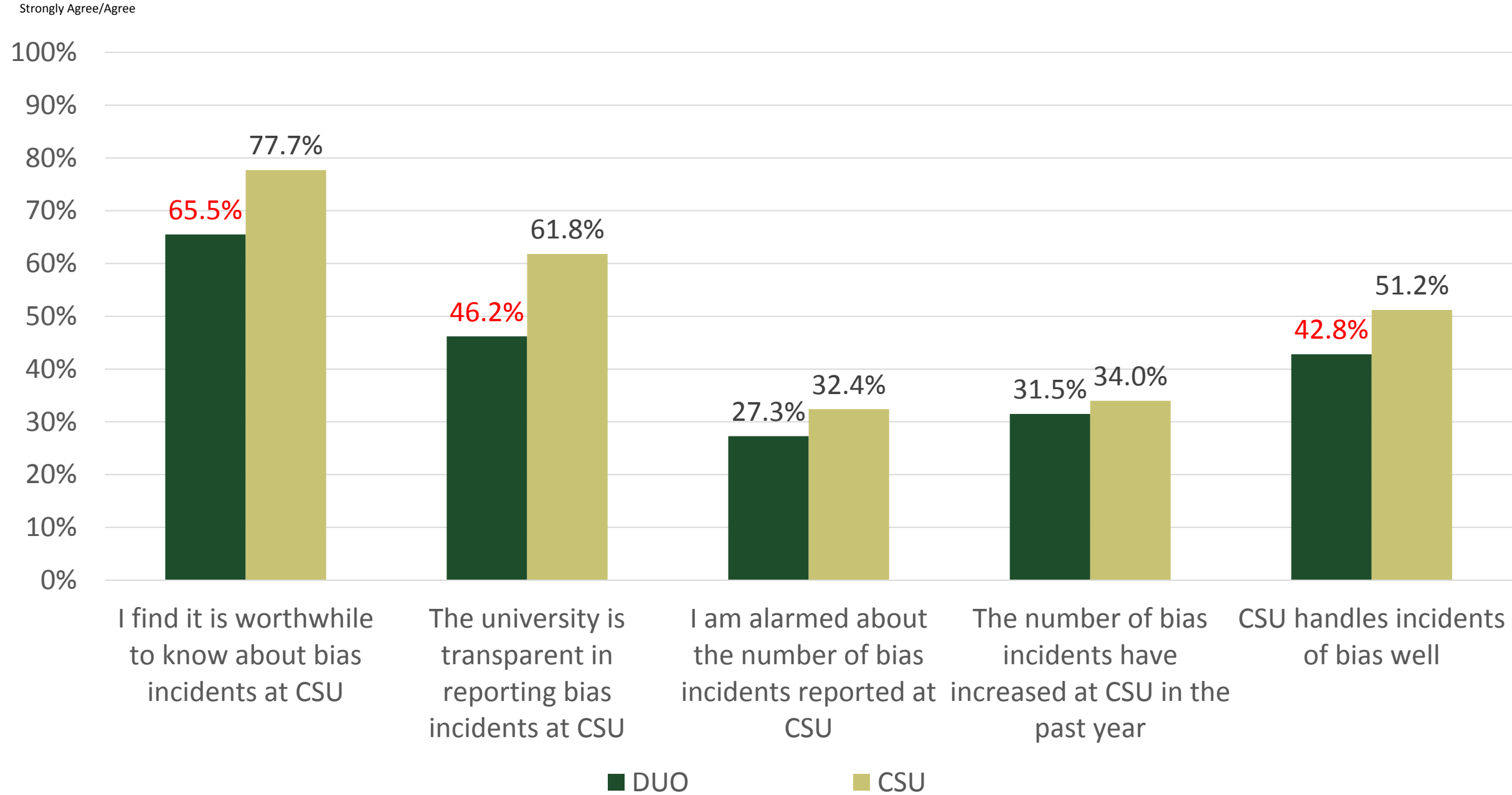
Percentage of respondents who indicated they would avoid people because of misconduct



Misconduct

There are people I avoid because of \_\_\_\_\_

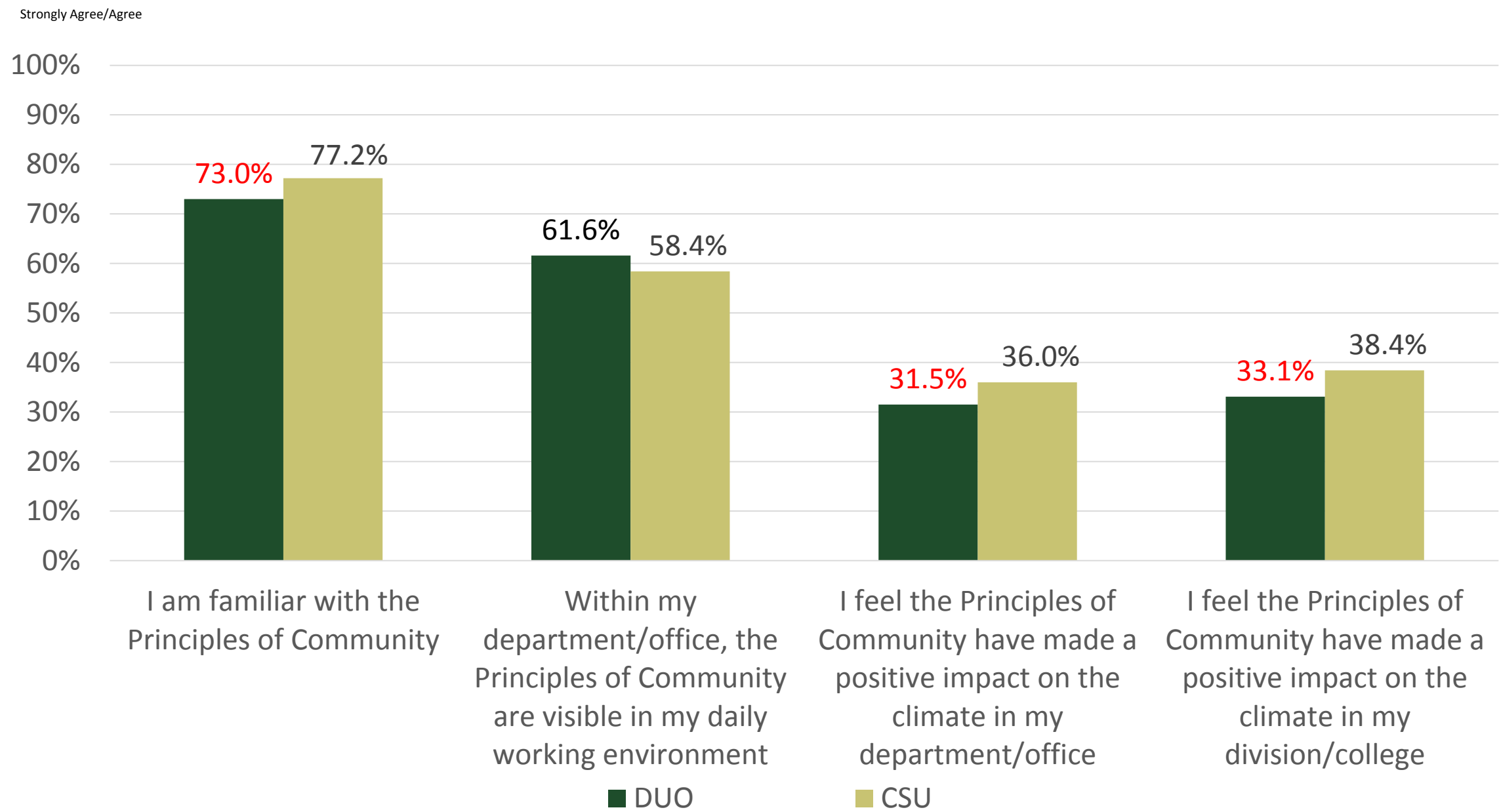
# Percentage of respondent agreement to items related to perceptions of bias incidents



Bias

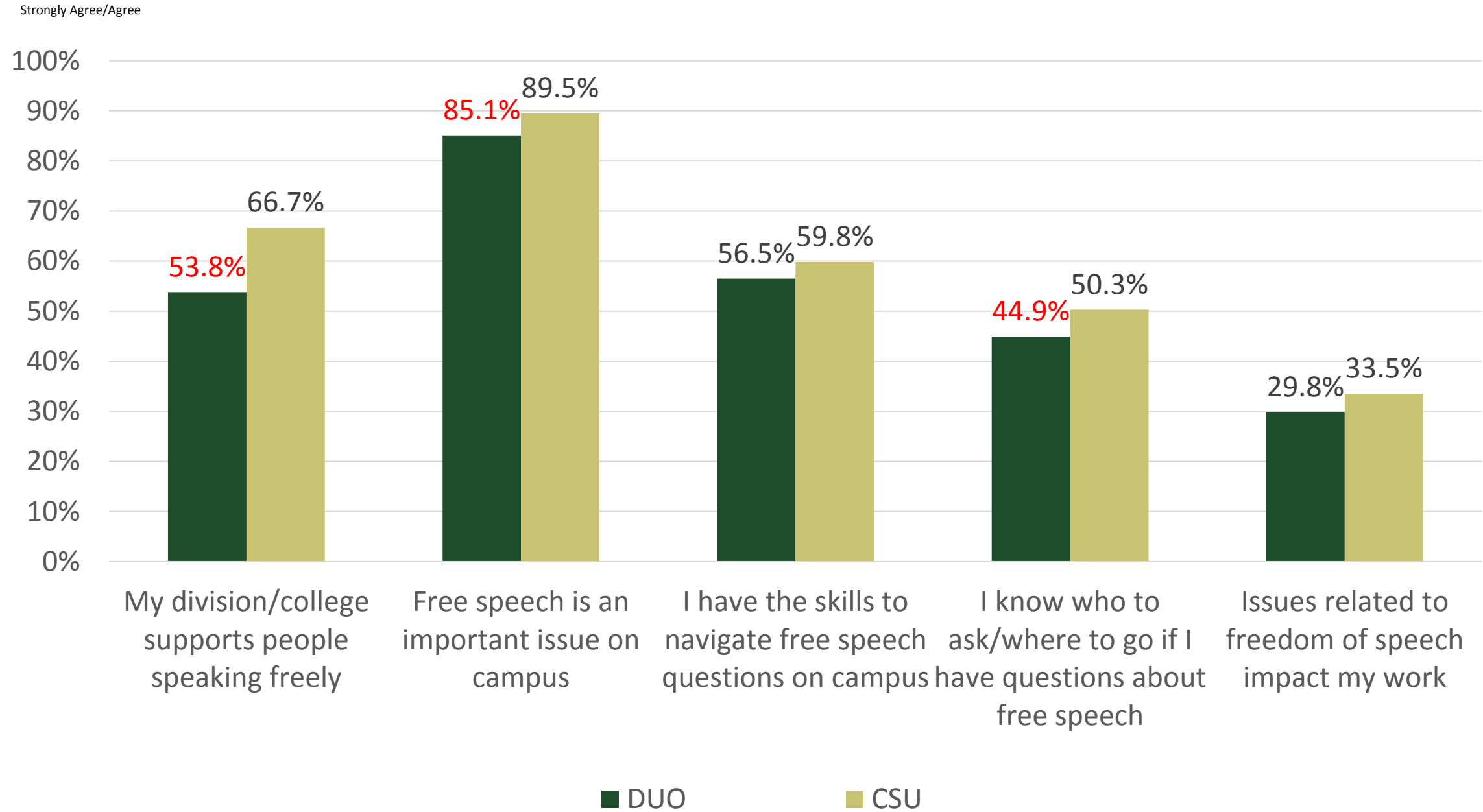


# Percentage of respondent agreement to items related to Principles of Community



Principles of Community

Percentage of respondent agreement to items related to freedom of speech



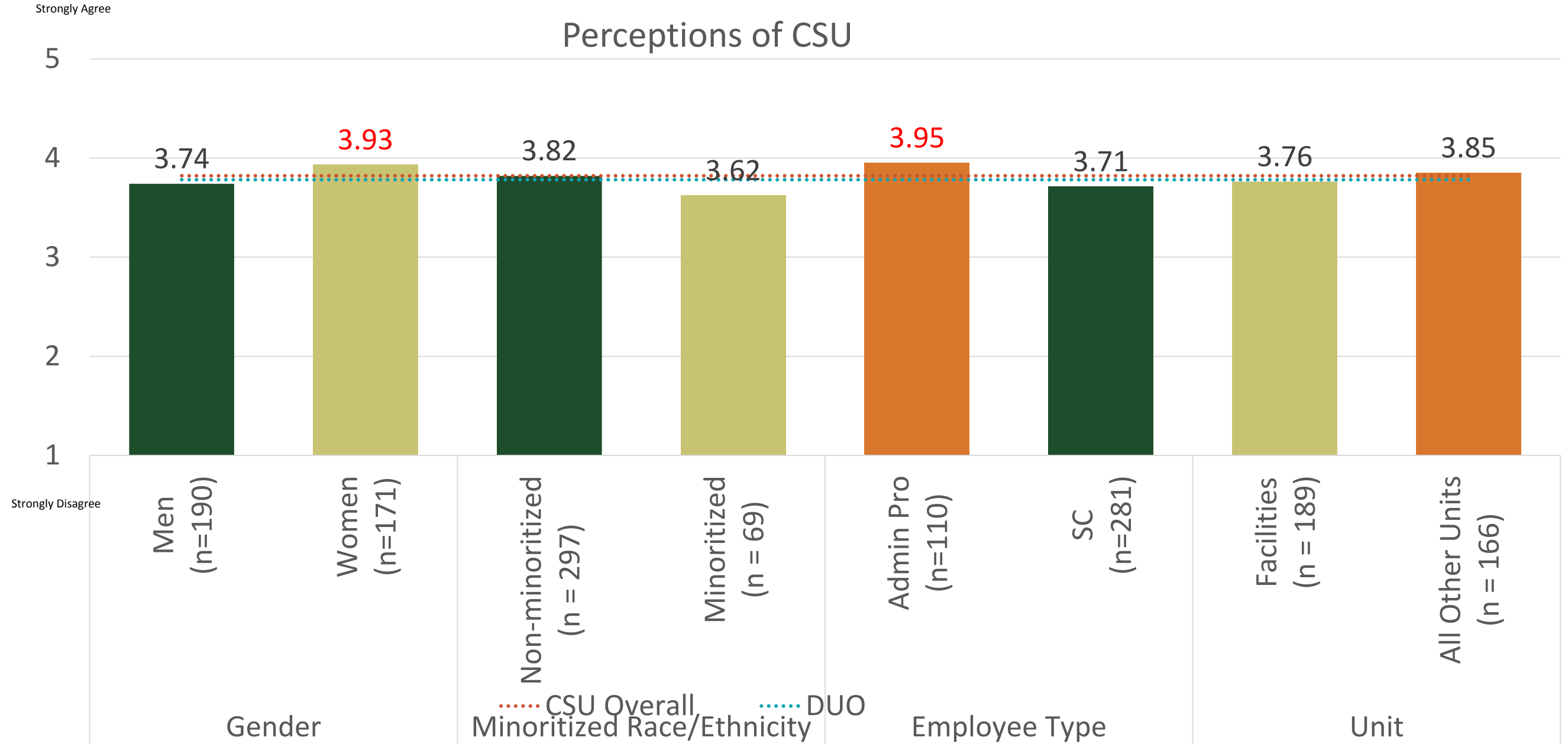
Freedom  
of Speech

# Perception Items

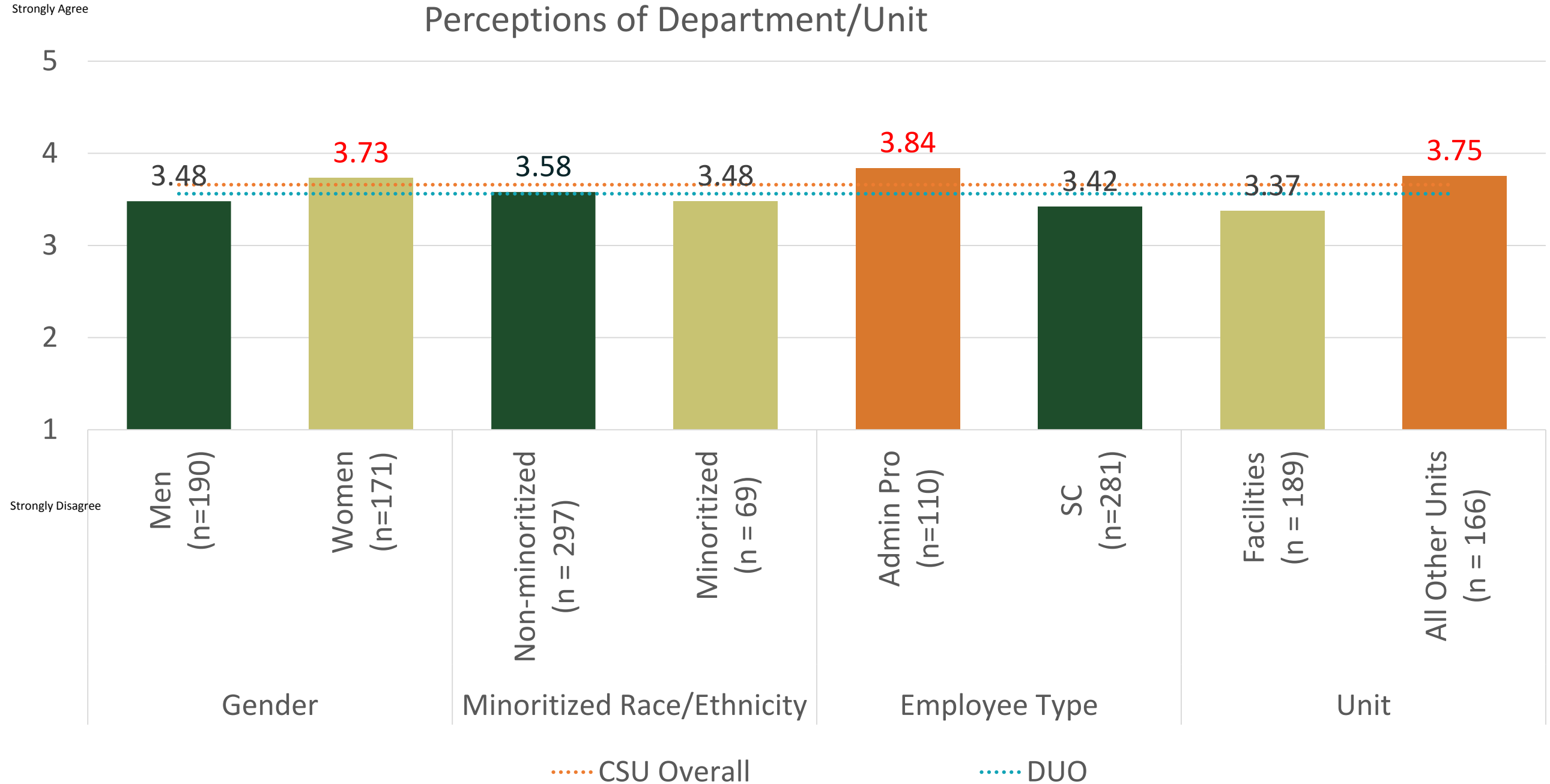
- Items asked each for CSU and Department/Unit

	CSU	Dept.
– Recruits employees from a diverse set of backgrounds	+	
– Improves the campus climate for all employees		
– Retains diverse employees	+	
– Creates a supportive environment for employees from diverse backgrounds		
– Encourages discussions related to diversity	-	-
– Provides employees with a positive work experience	-	-
– Climate has become consistently more inclusive of all employees		
– I would recommend as a place of employment	-	-

# Univ. Operations Perceptions

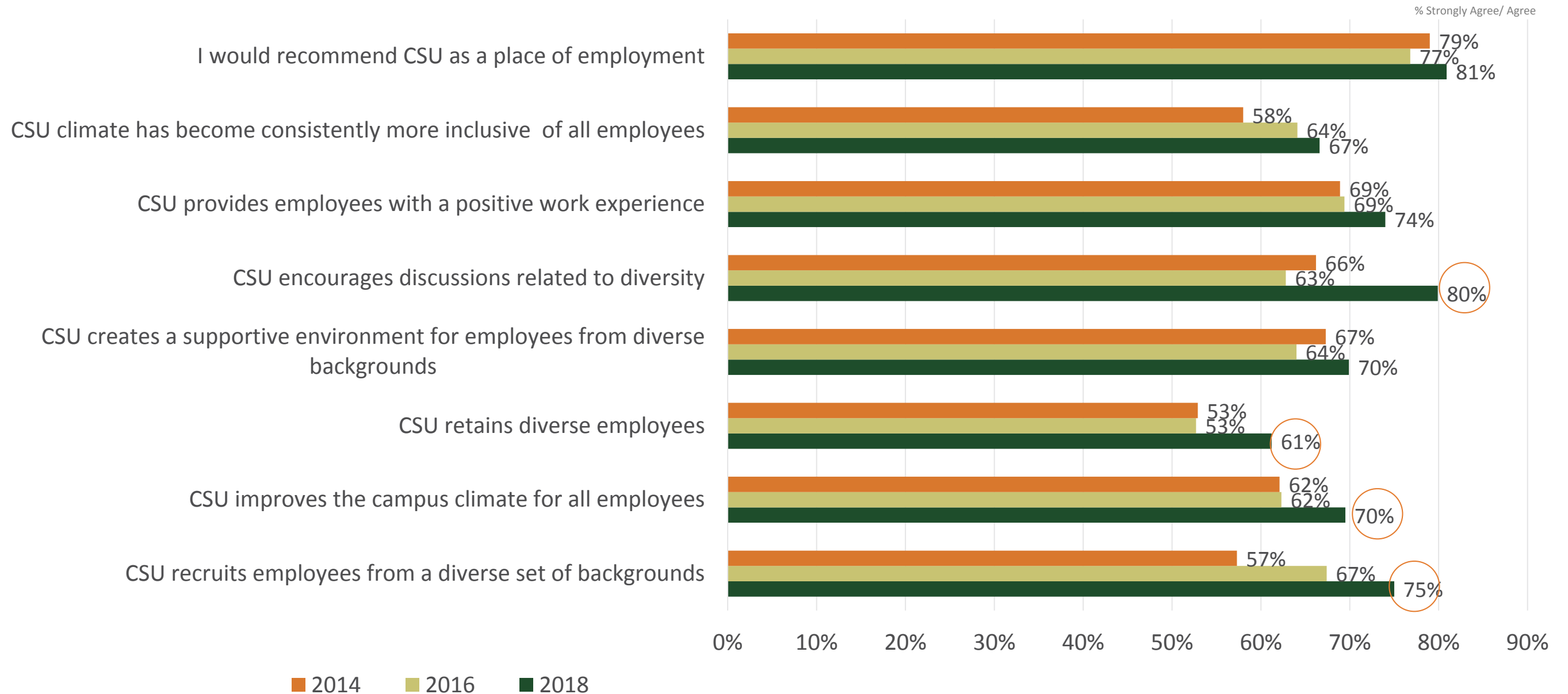


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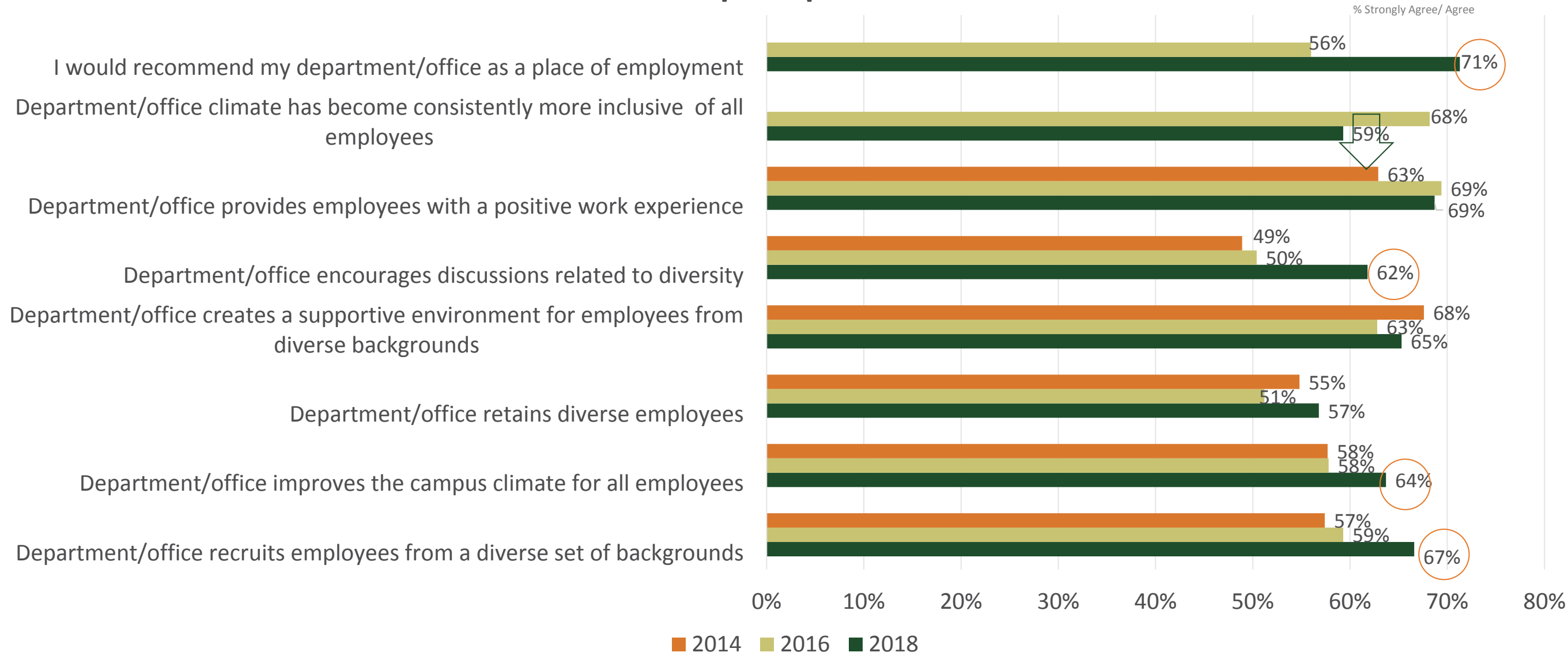
# CSU Perceptions over Time

## Percentage of respondent agreement to items related to CSU perceptions over time



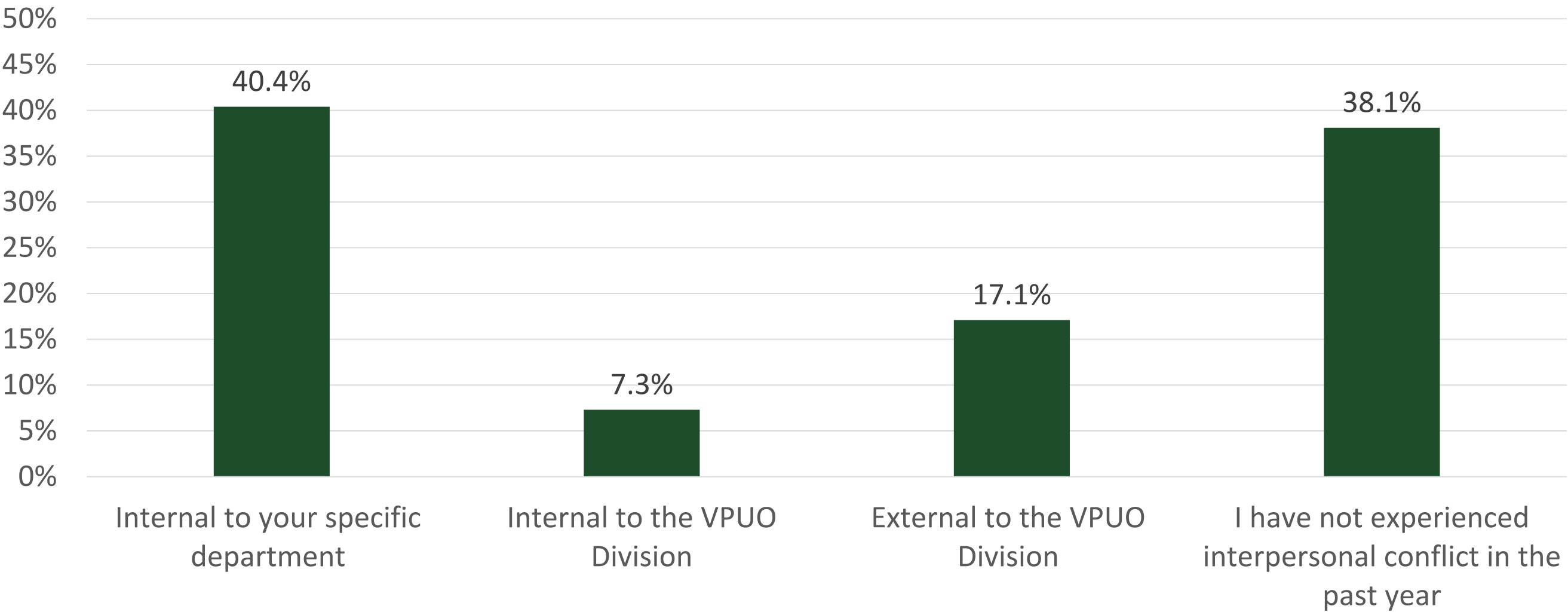
# Department/Unit Perceptions over Time

Percentage of respondent agreement to items related to Department/Unit perceptions over time



# Interpersonal Conflict

Where, if anywhere, have you experienced interpersonal conflict in your job?

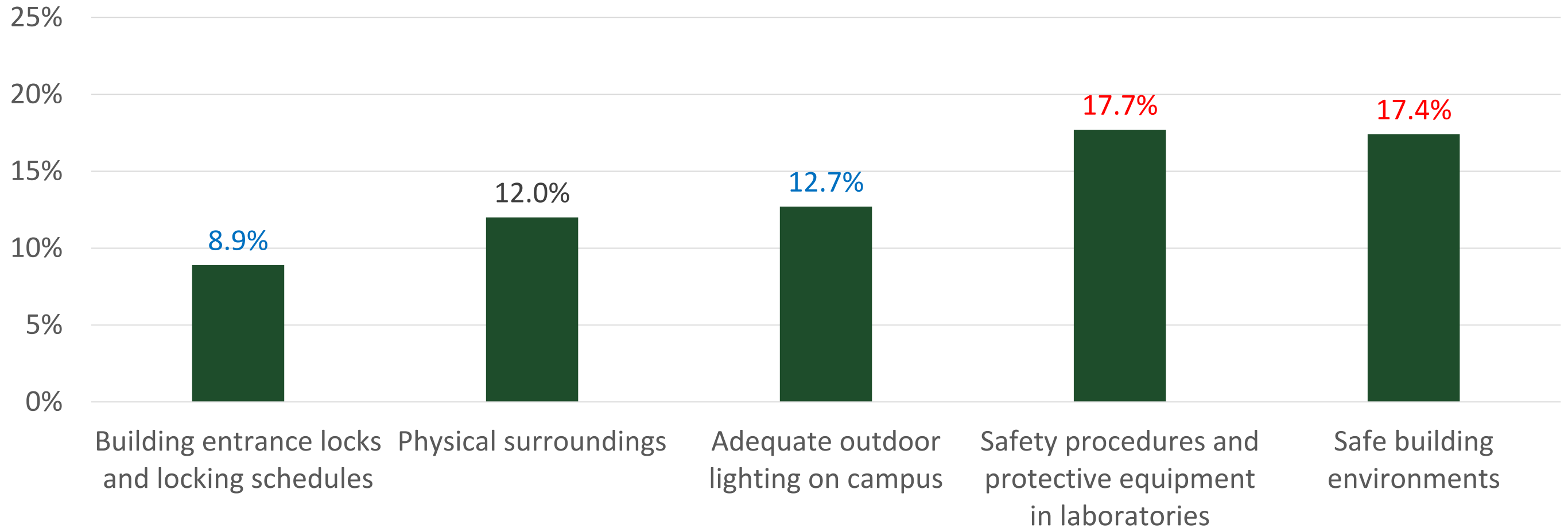




# Safety

- 83.4% agree leadership considers a safe physical working environment to be important.

% Unsafe or Very Unsafe

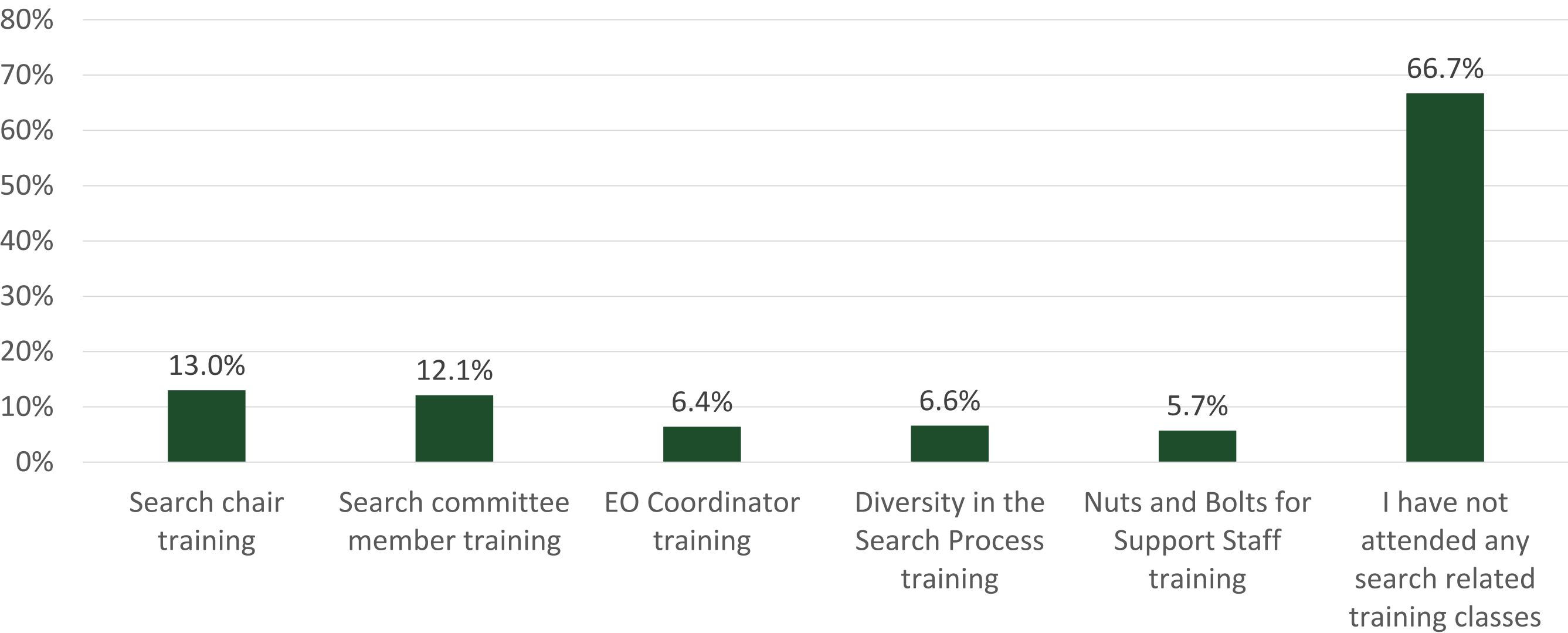


Red = Female higher men

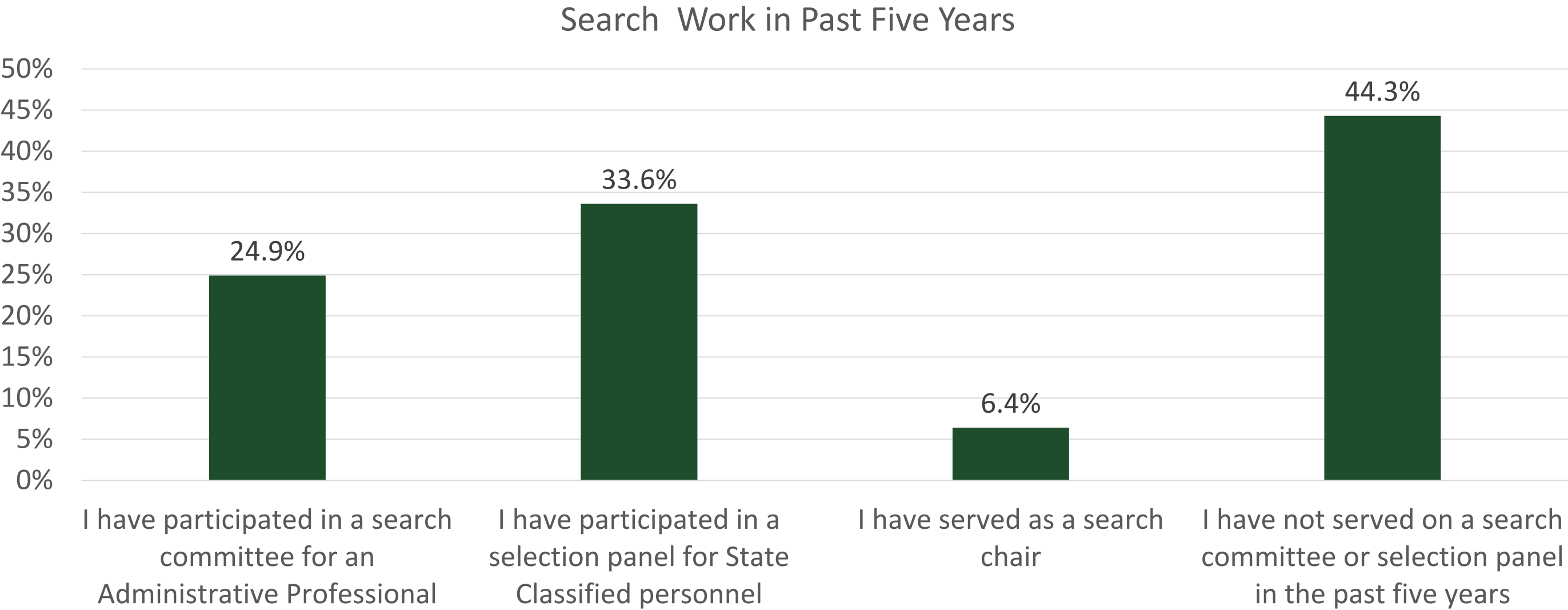
Blue = SC higher than AP

# OEO Classes

OEO Classes in past 5 Years



# Search Committee and Panels



# Discriminatory Attitudes

- Perceived Discriminatory Attitudes in Office:
  - 48% indicated no discriminatory attitudes present (CSU: 36%)
  - 21.7% Job title (CSU: 31%)
  - 20% Employment classification (CSU: 29%)
  - 17.5% Political Affiliation (CSU: 20%)
  - 16% Age (CSU: 19%)
  - 10% Gender (CSU: 17%)

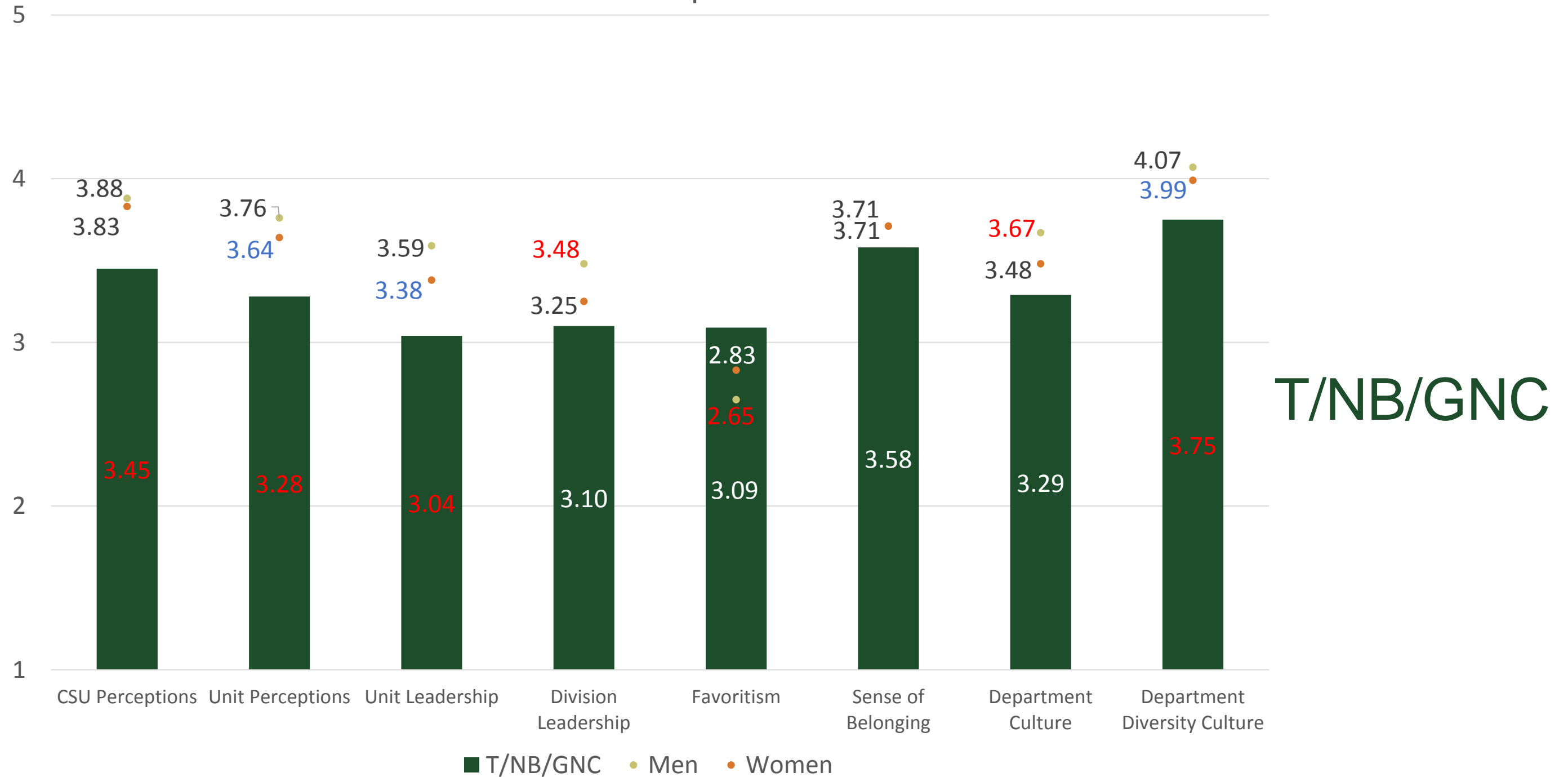
# Work Stressors

- Top 3 Work Stressors
  - 55% Low salary (CSU: 47%)
  - 36% Lack of growth /promotion (CSU: 29%)
  - 32% Workload (CSU: 33%)
  - 21% Work/life balance (CSU: 29%)
  - 16% Duties outside my job responsibilities (CSU: 12%)





## Gender Comparison



# Key Findings for Univ. Operations

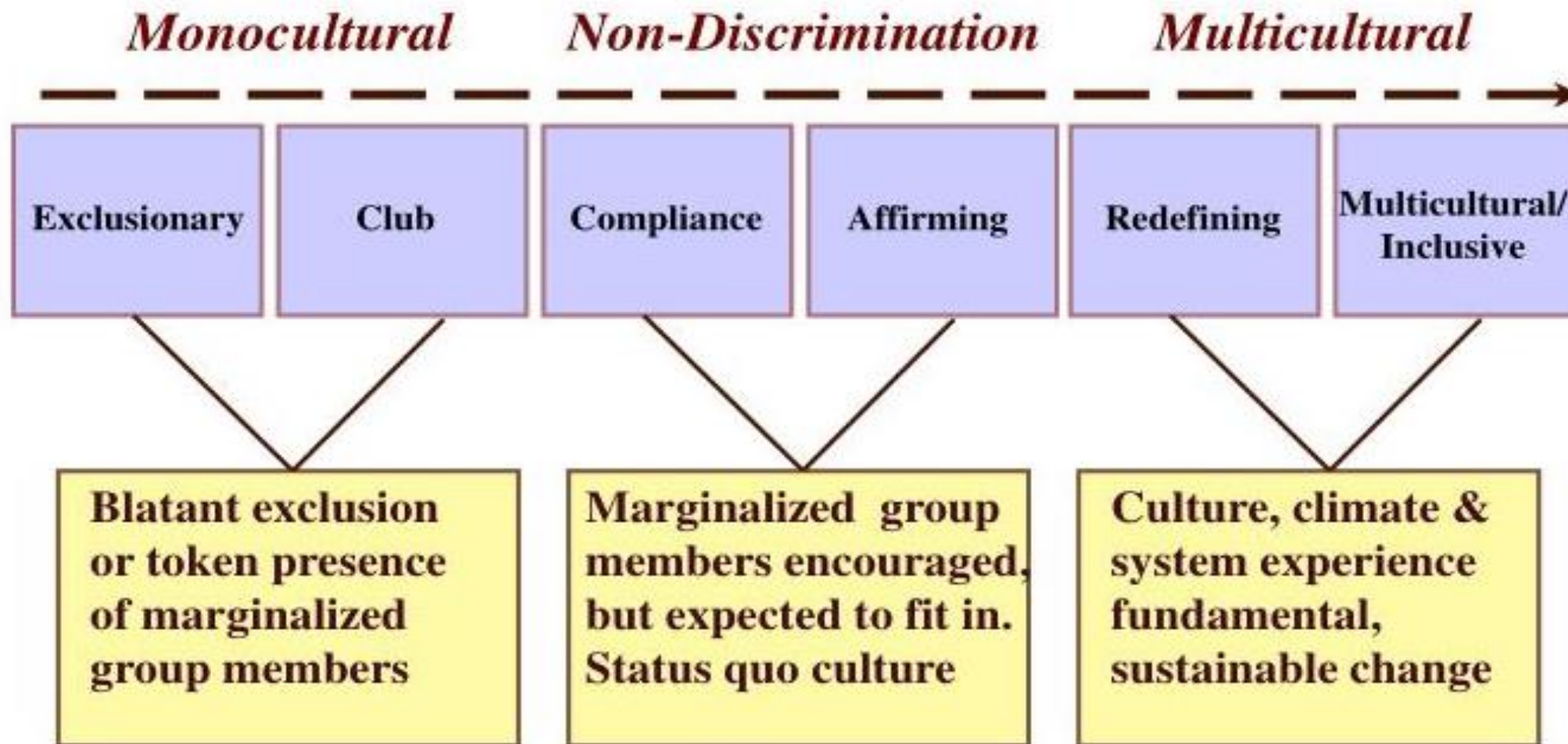
- University Operations had lower perceptions of their department's diversity culture compared to the average CSU respondent
  - No other factors had significant differences from the average respondent
- State Classified respondents had less favorable responses for every single factor compared to Admin Pro. respondents
- Facilities had less favorable responses for Department Culture, Diversity Culture, Department Leadership, Department Perceptions, and Favoritism compared to other DUO respondents
  - No difference between Sense of Belonging, CSU perceptions and Division Leadership



# Key Findings for Univ. Operations

- There were no significant factor differences for DUO respondents by minoritized race/ethnicity
- Men had less favorable responses compared to women for CSU perceptions, Department Perceptions, Favoritism
  - No differences for Sense of Belonging, Department Culture, Division Leadership or Unit Leadership by gender
- 29% of Univ. Operations respondents indicated bias was problematic at the division level and 12% indicated bullying was problematic at their department/office level
  - DUO had higher perceptions that verbal (12%) and physical assault (2%) are problematic in their division compared to the average CSU respondent
- DUO had lower agreement to several items related to respect—only 56% agreed DUO is treated with respect by CSU and only 65% agree their department has respect for liberal perspectives (compared to 79% overall)

# Jackson/Hardiman MCOD Continuum\*



\*Jackson 2005

## MCOD

- How do the findings relate to the Multicultural Organization Development (MCOD)?

# More Information

Please visit VPD's 2018 Employee Climate Survey Website:  
<https://diversity.colostate.edu/2018-employee-climate-survey/>

- Download CSU Report
- Download Division Report
- Download Employee Type Report
- Special division reports
- Coming Soon:
  - Open end reports
  - Intersectionality reports
  - Open forum reports
  - Focus group reports
- Report Contents:
  - Item percentages
  - Mean comparisons by employee characteristics at the item and factor level
  - College comparisons to CSU at the item and factor level
    - Each item is noted as being higher, similar, or lower than the CSU average





Thank you for your participation

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