

## **Lamoille short term rental survey**

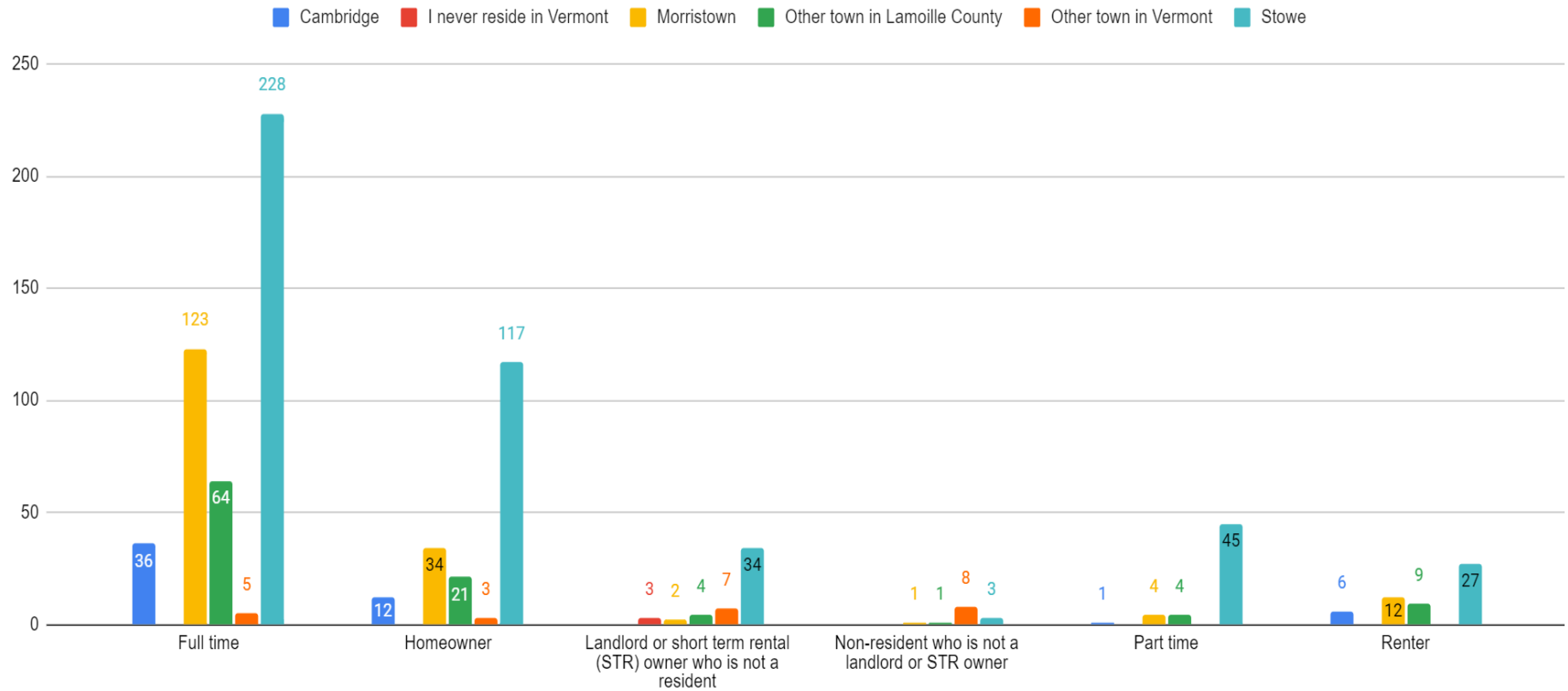
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In order to support thoughtful community conversation and informed municipal action, the Lamoille Working Communities Challenge conducted a survey of community members regarding information and beliefs regarding the growth of short term rentals in Lamoille County. The state provides data on short term rentals at [housingdata.org](https://housingdata.org), so we sought more granular, local information. The survey was developed by a diverse team of community partners, and 573 people responded. In order to keep the survey manageable, respondents were shown applicable follow up questions based on their responses, so not all survey takers answered every question.

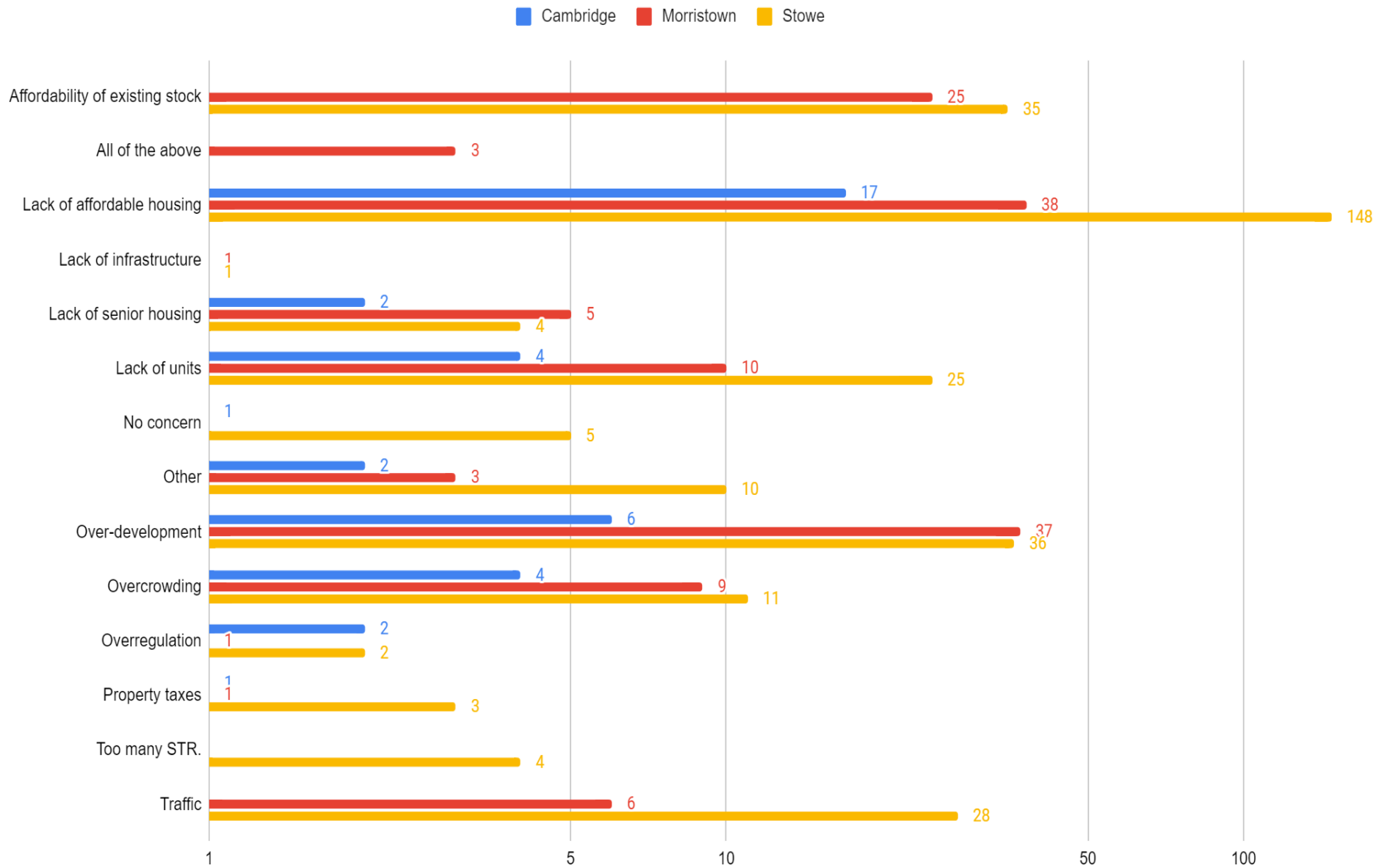
We hope that our municipalities will find this report useful in beginning their community engagement process around short term rental decisions. This information is meant to start a community conversation around the issue, and the Working Communities Challenge will schedule follow up meetings with each community. Of note are questions around regulation and zoning to which respondents were unsure. In those cases, towns may wish to work on helping community members better understand concepts or issues.

The below presents a breakdown of some important questions on a town level. The complete results are available on a [Google sheet here](#) and in a [results summary with graphs here](#).

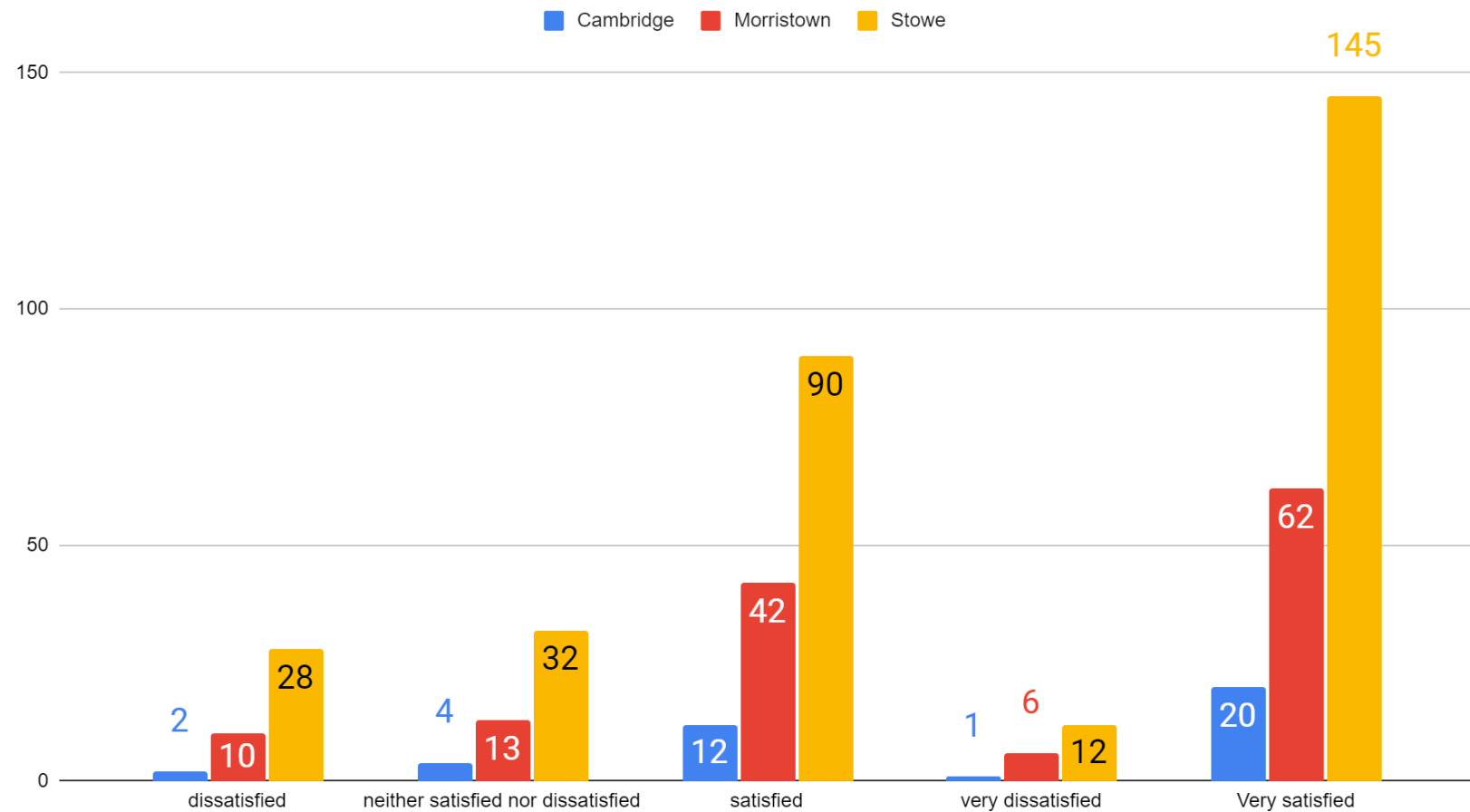
I am a Lamoille County resident (check all that apply):



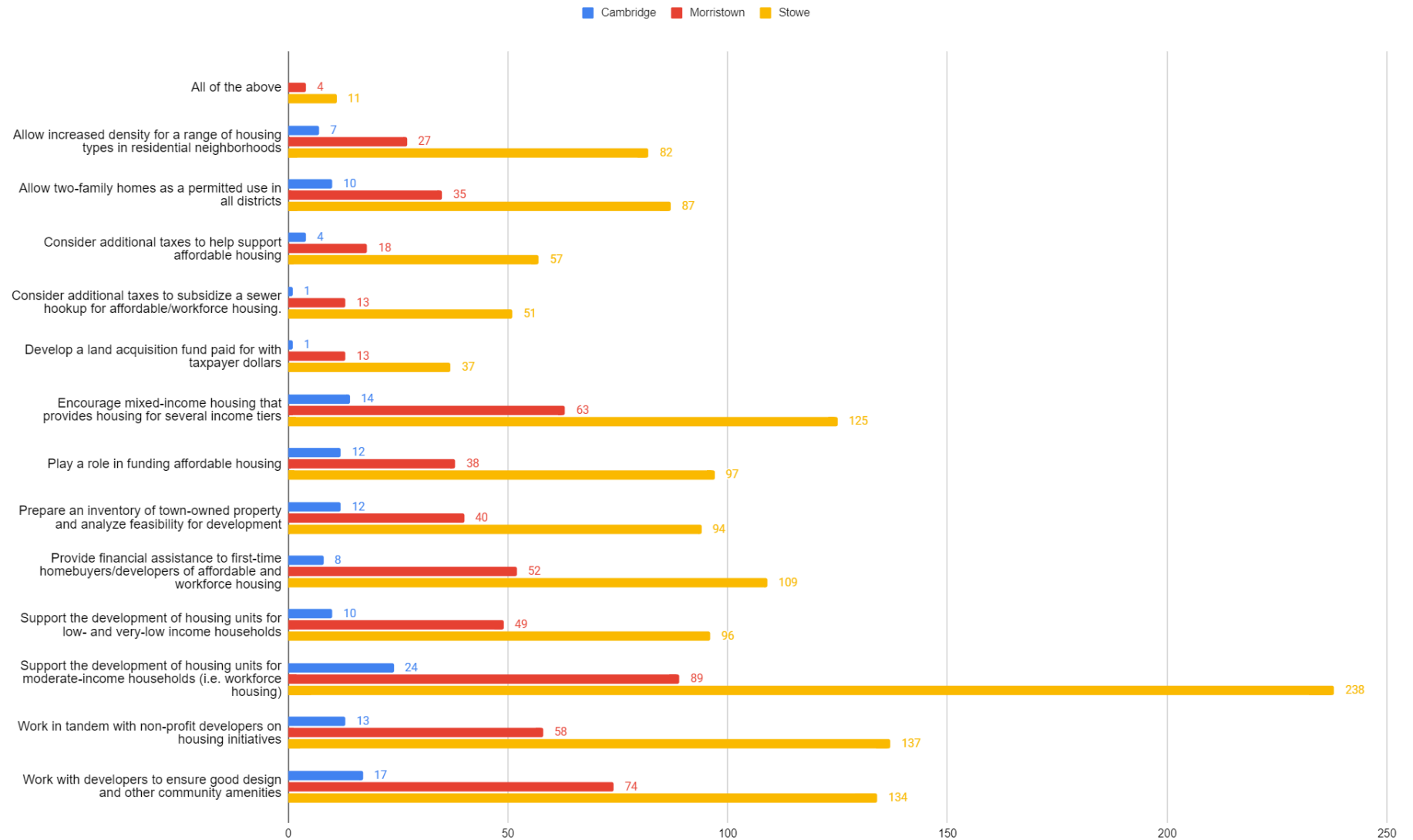
## My biggest concern regarding housing in my town and Lamoille County is:



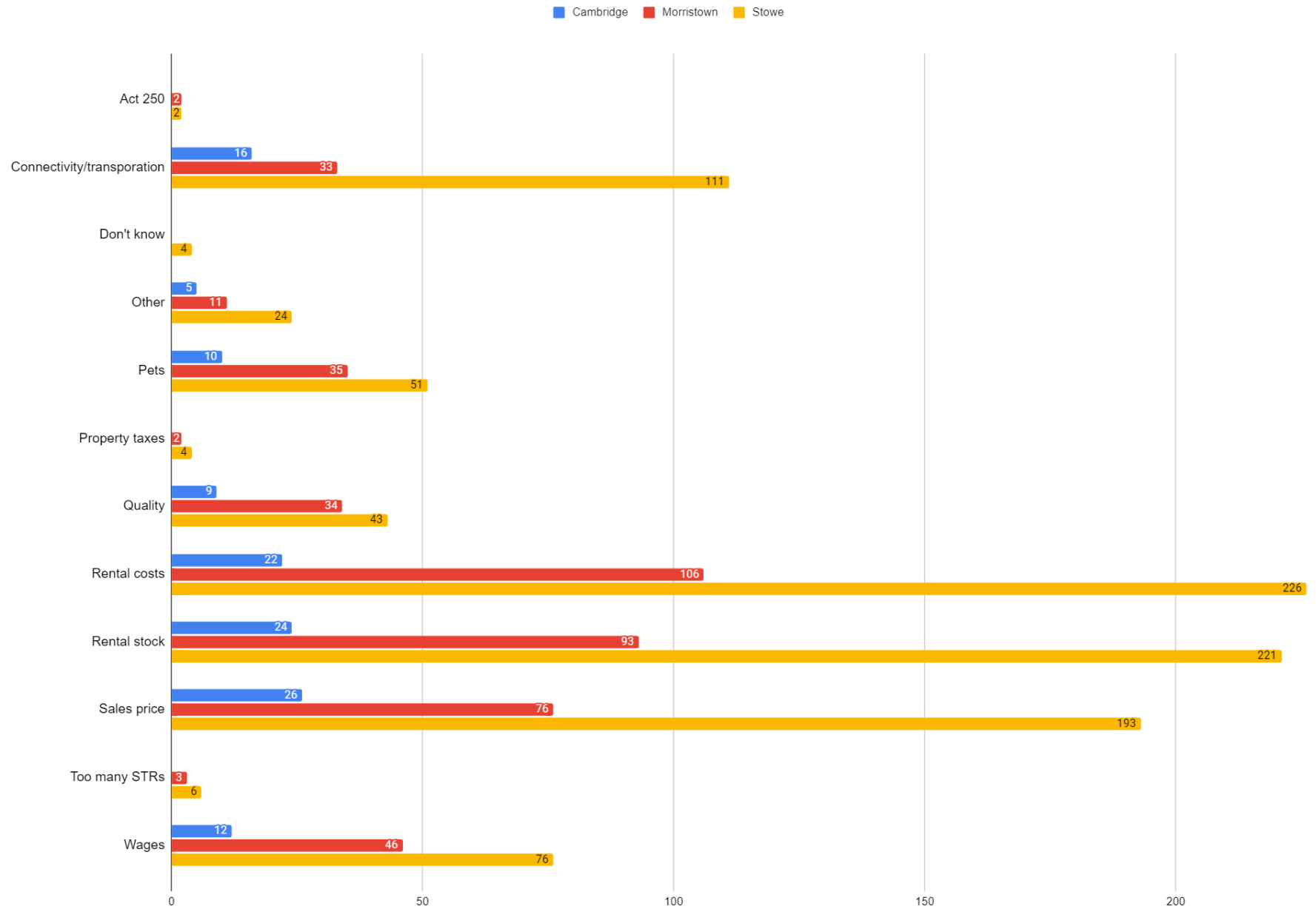
Overall, how do you feel about your current housing situation?



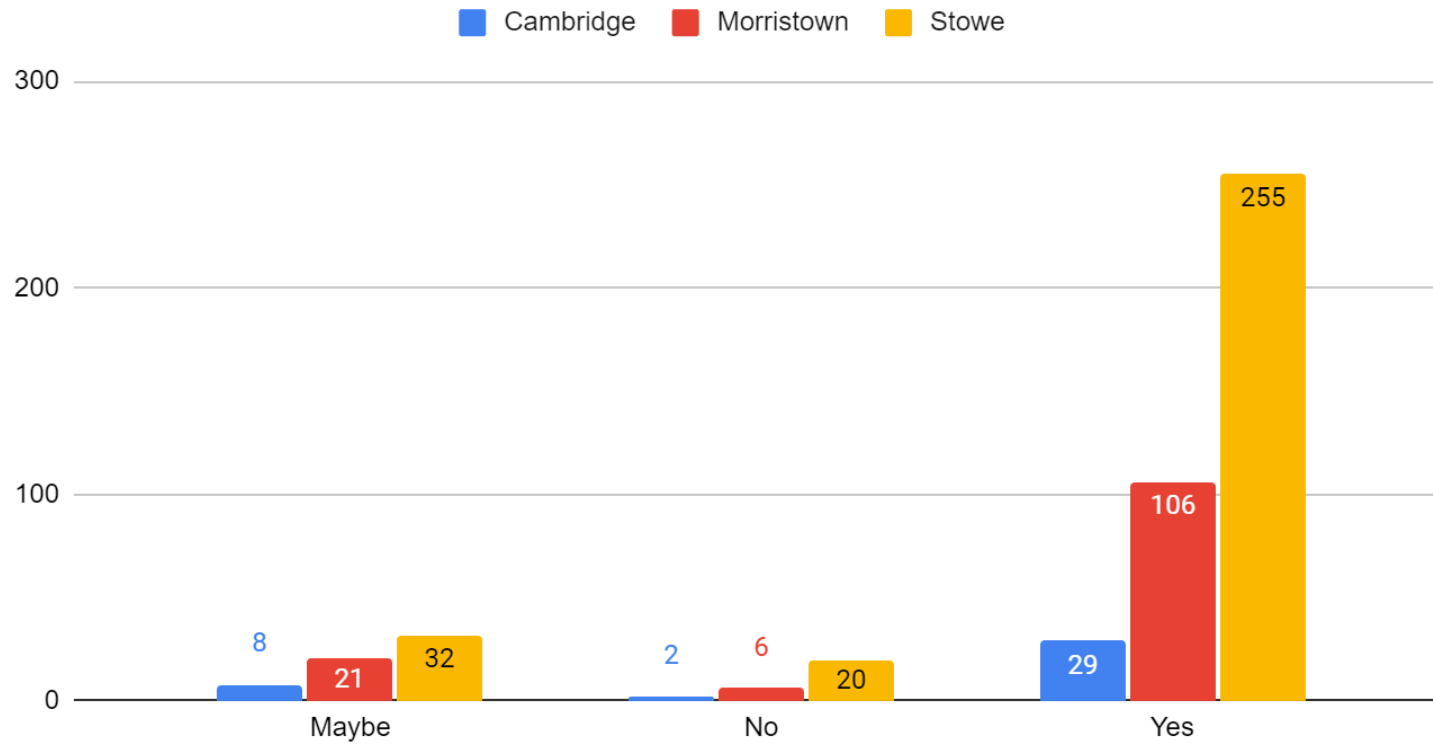
My town should pursue the following priority actions to address unmet housing needs (check all that apply):



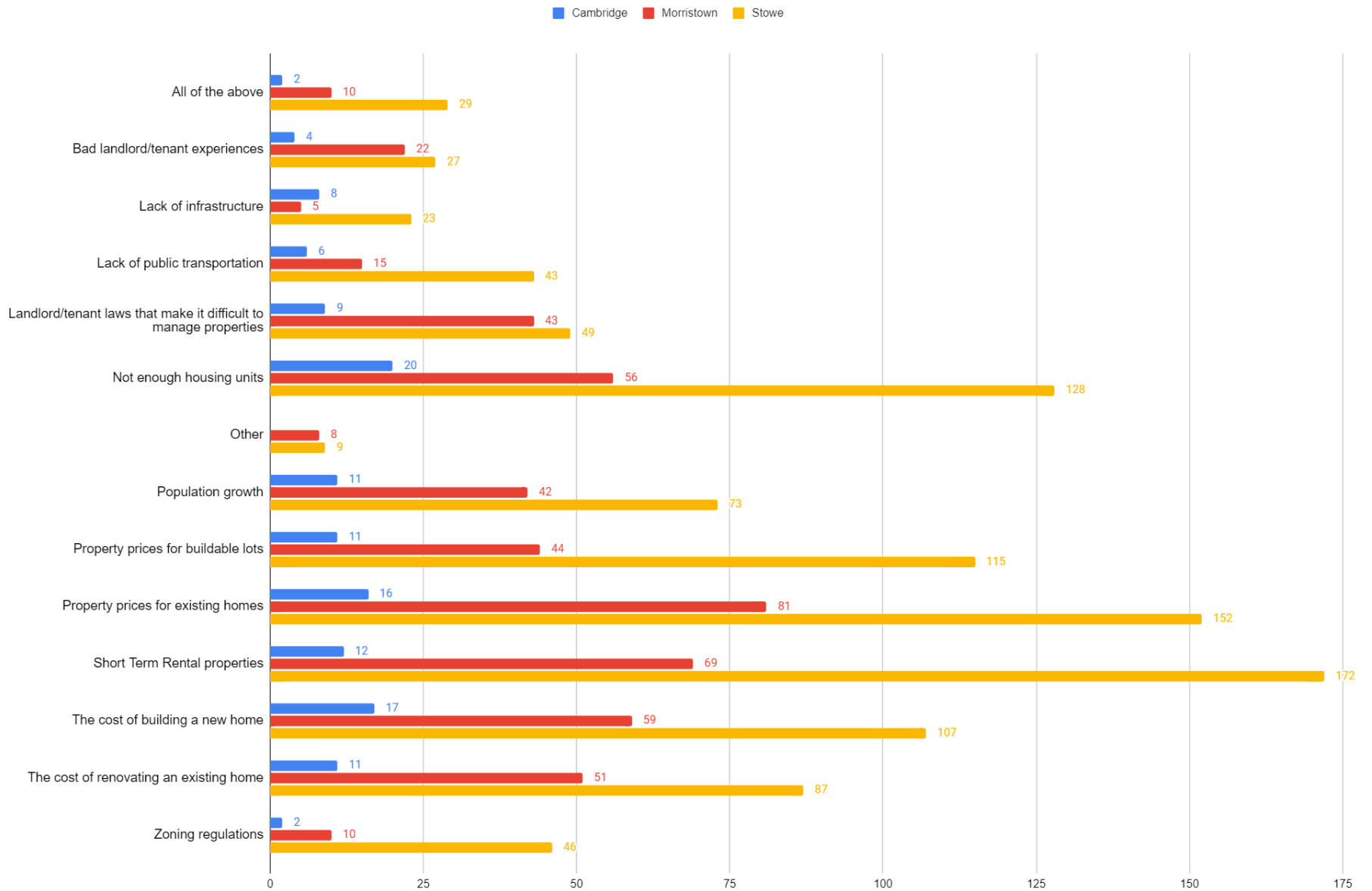
What are some of the challenges around housing in your town in Lamoille County?



Do you believe there is a shortage of long term (one year or more) housing options in the area?

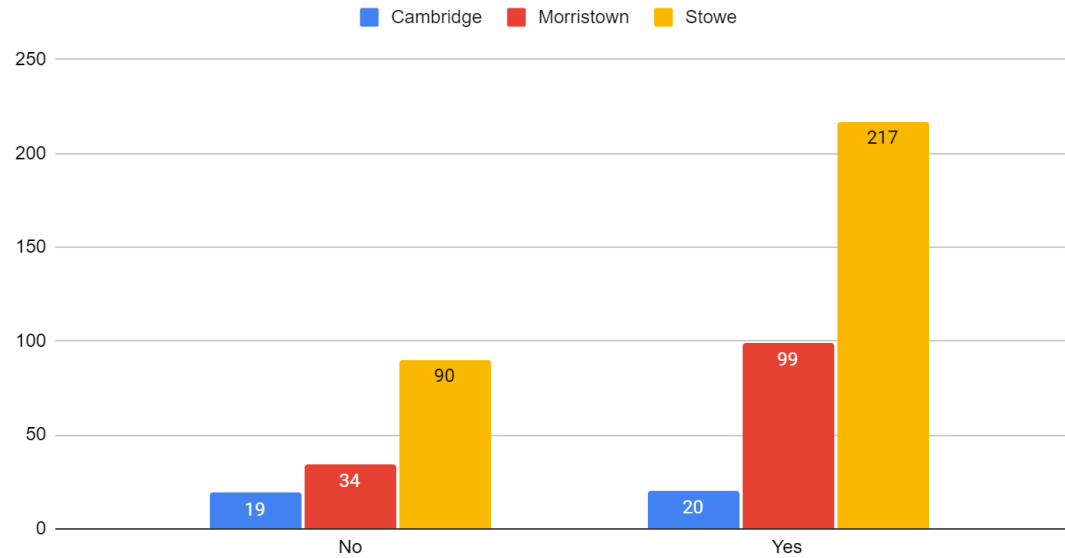


To what do you attribute the shortage of housing? (Select all that apply.)

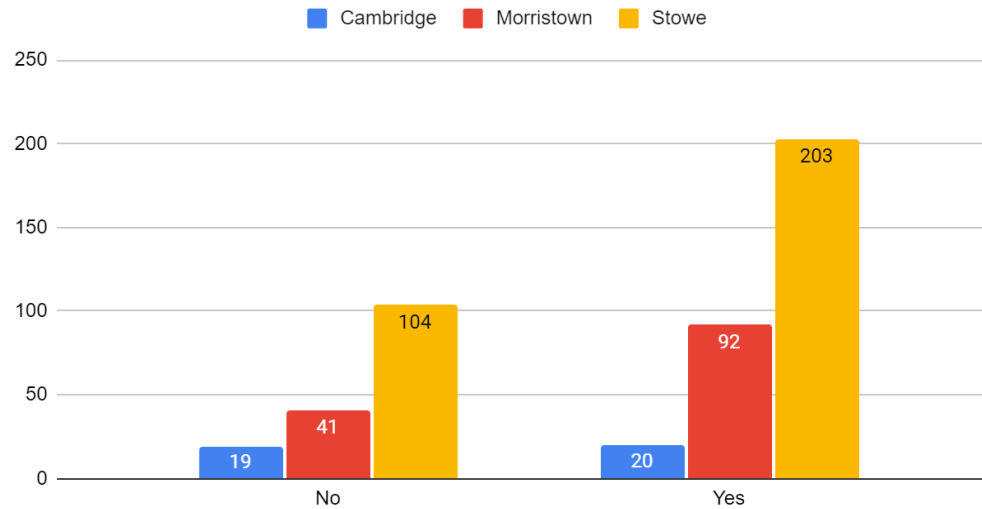




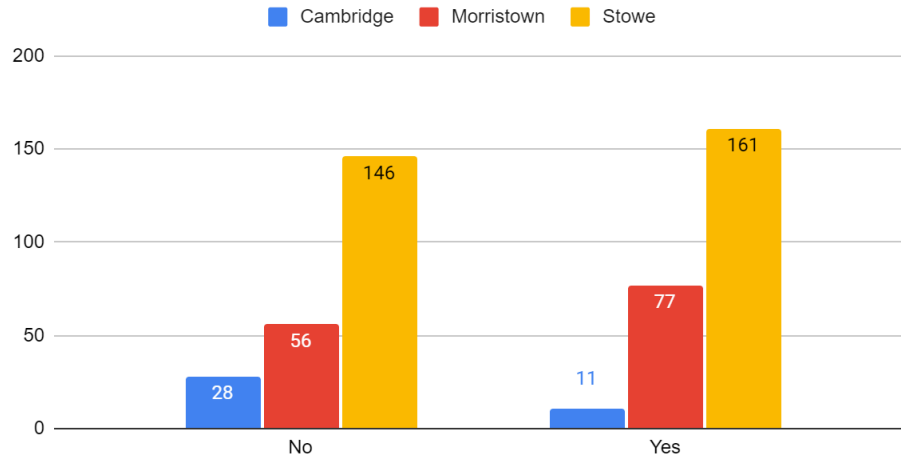
Should your town have a STR Ordinance? This might require registration, regulate numbers, regulate via owner classification, etc.



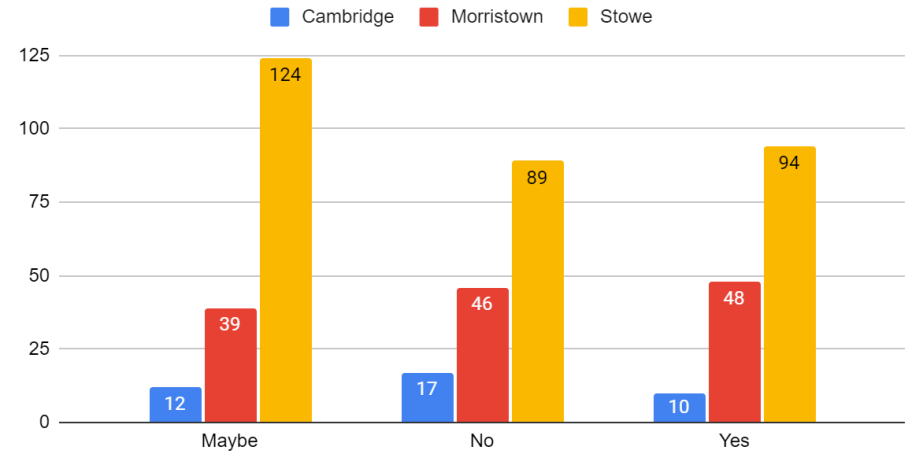
Should your town play a role in incentivizing a switch from STRs to long term rentals?



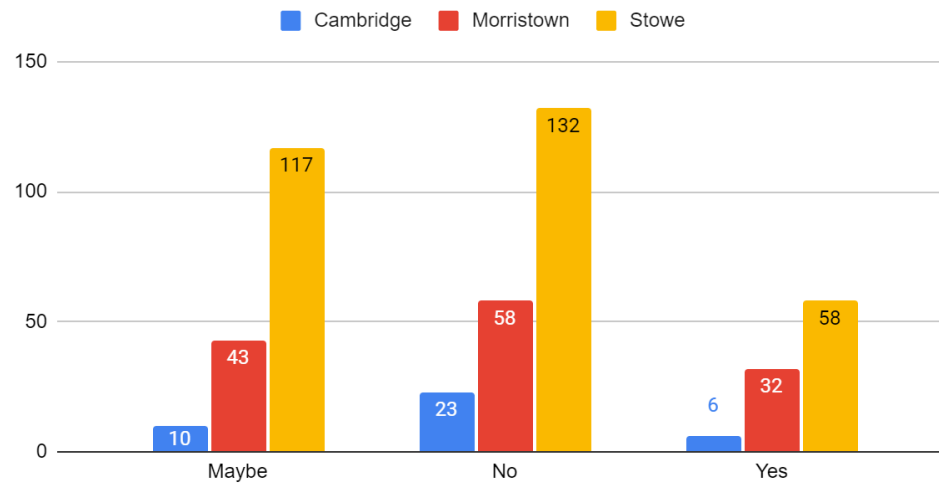
Should your town regulate STRs through zoning? This might restrict the districts in which STRs are allowed.



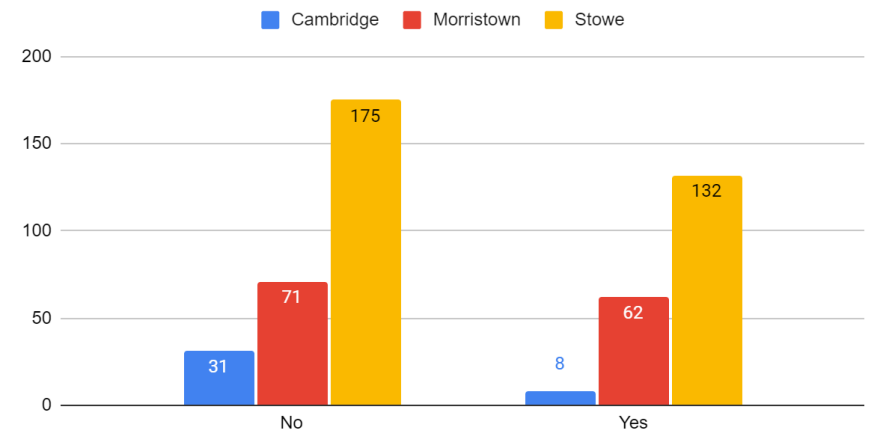
Would you support a fund to incentivize long term rentals funded by the budget of your town?



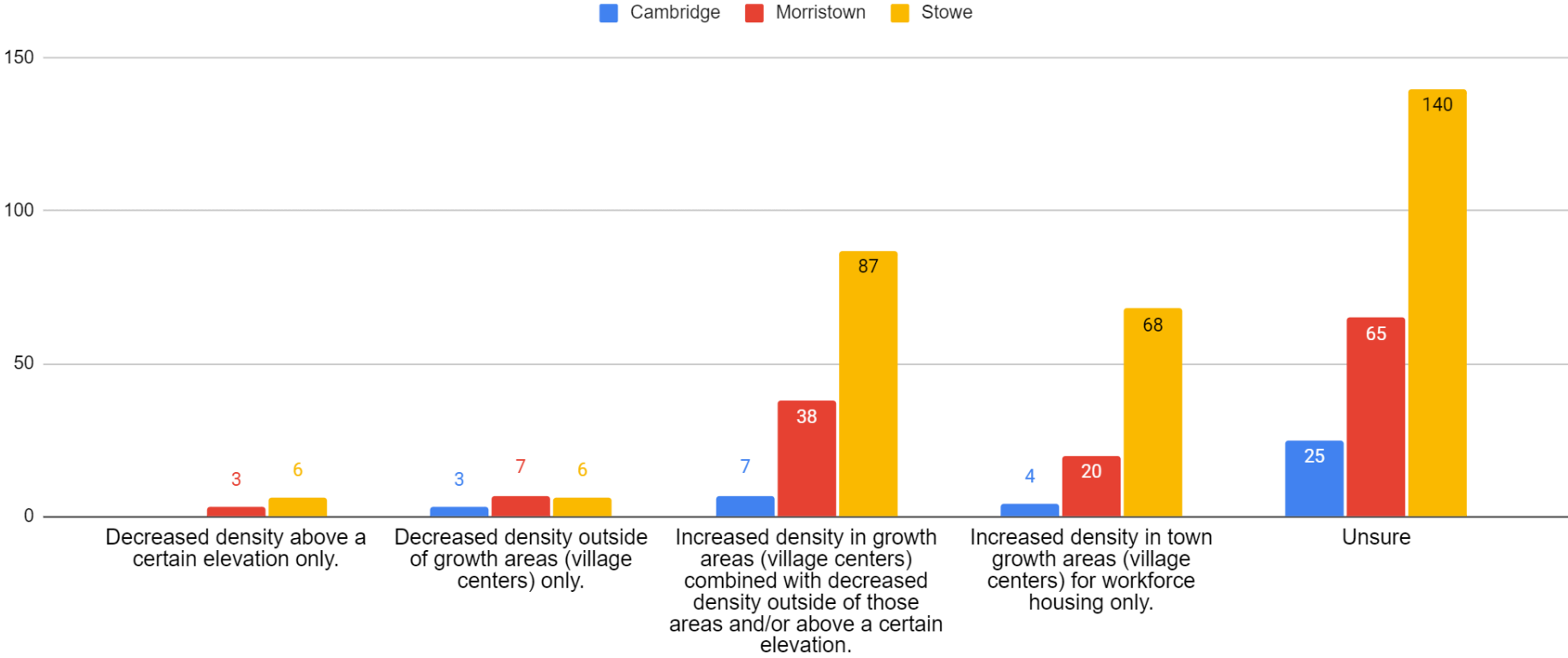
Would you support a fund to incentivize long term rentals funded by residents?



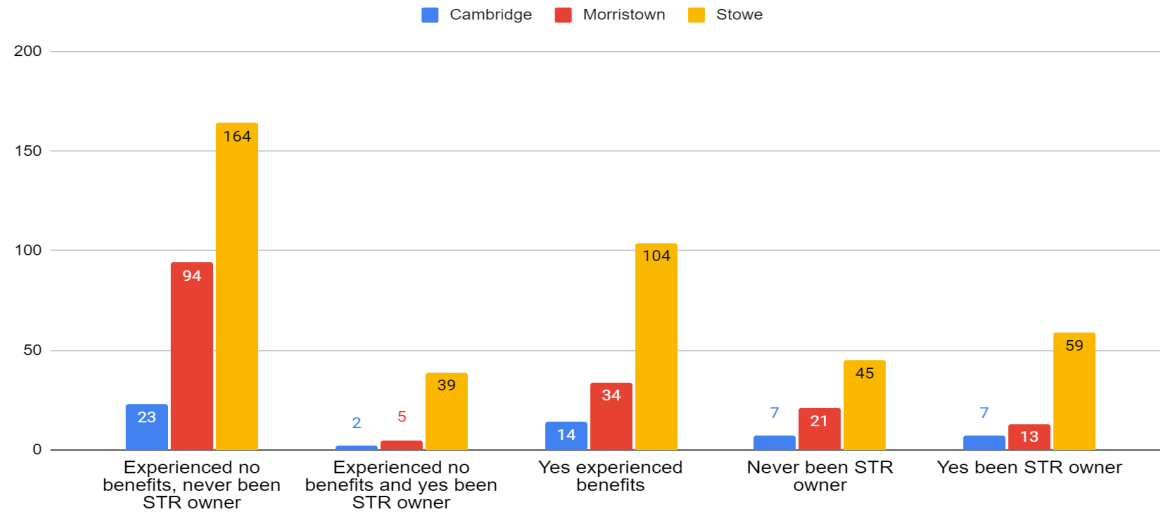
Would you support additional taxes to support affordable housing?



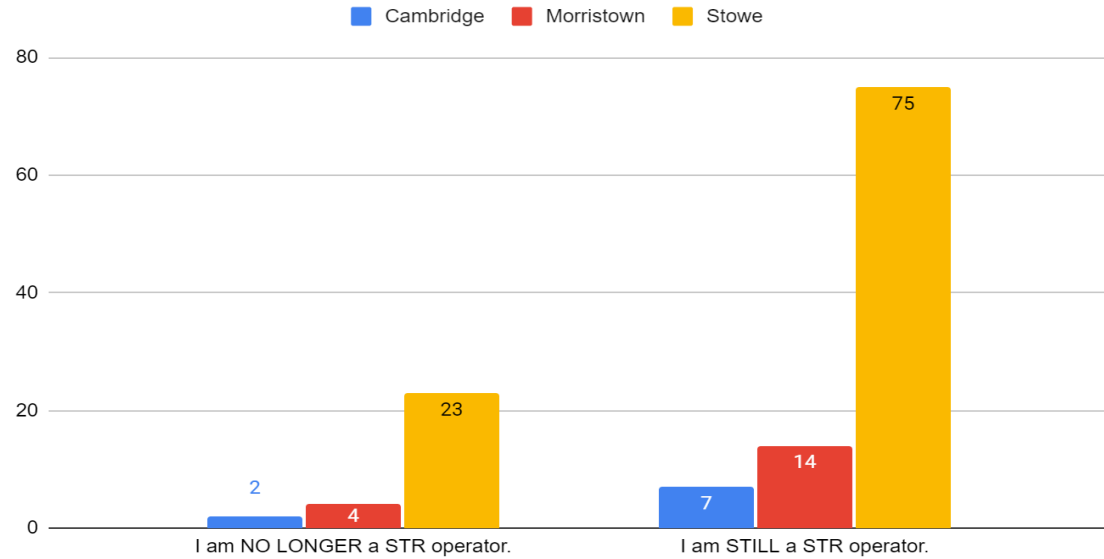
Which of the following zoning changes do you support:



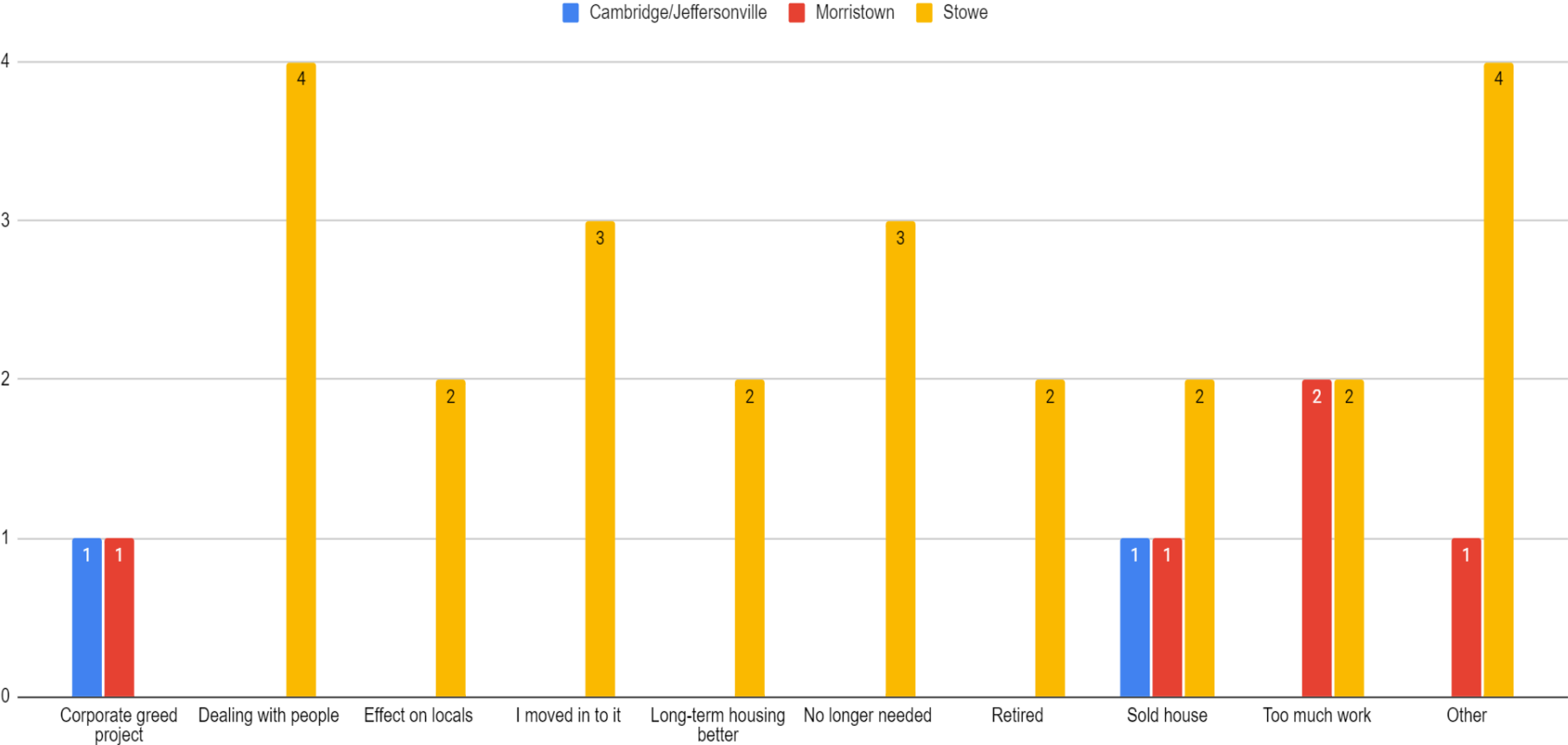
Have you or your business experienced any benefits from STR visitors in our area? Have you been an STR owner in Lamoille County?



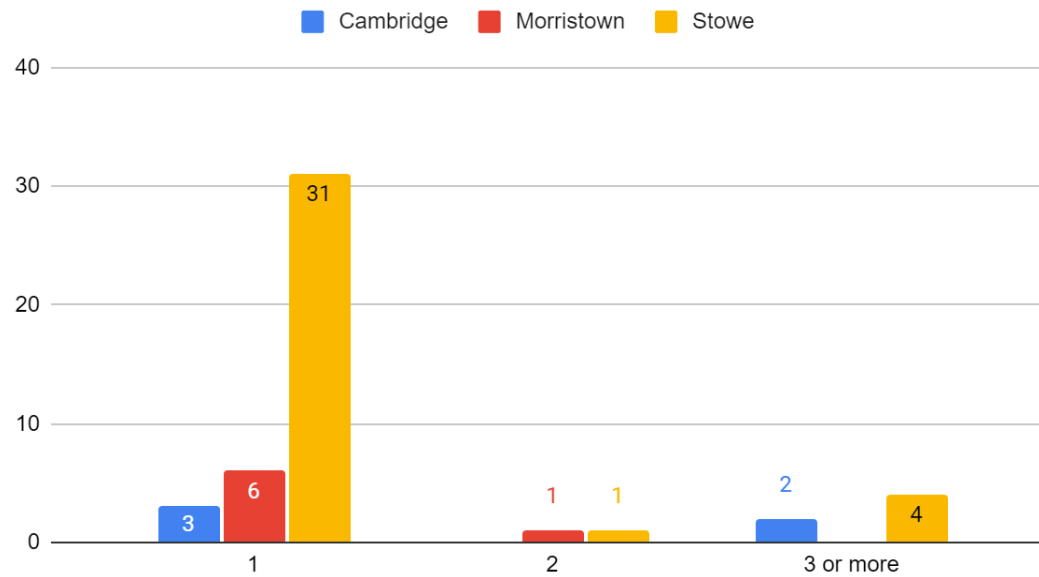
Are you a former STR owner (no longer have an STR in operation)?



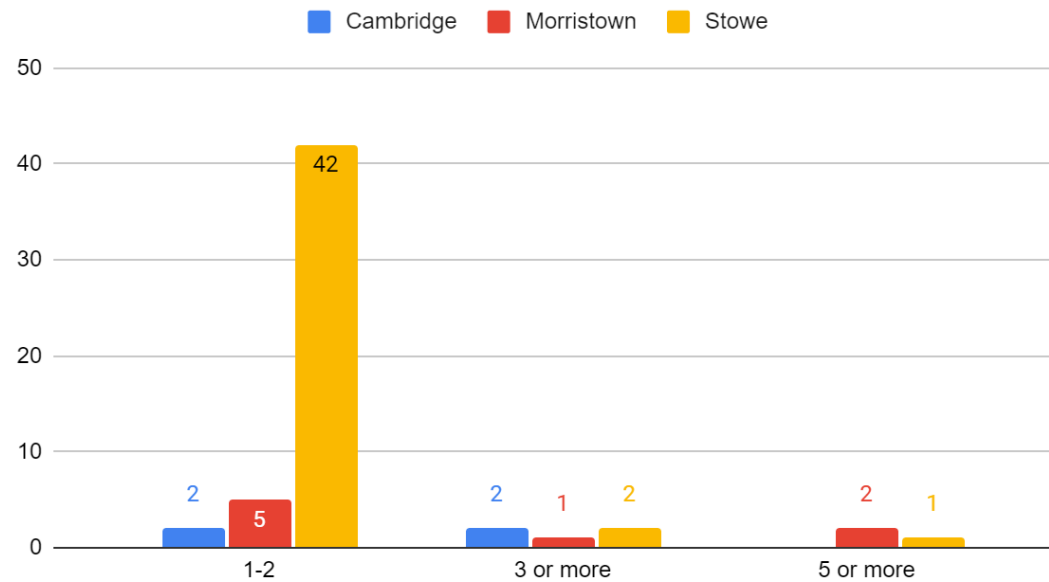
Why did you decide to stop being a STR operator?



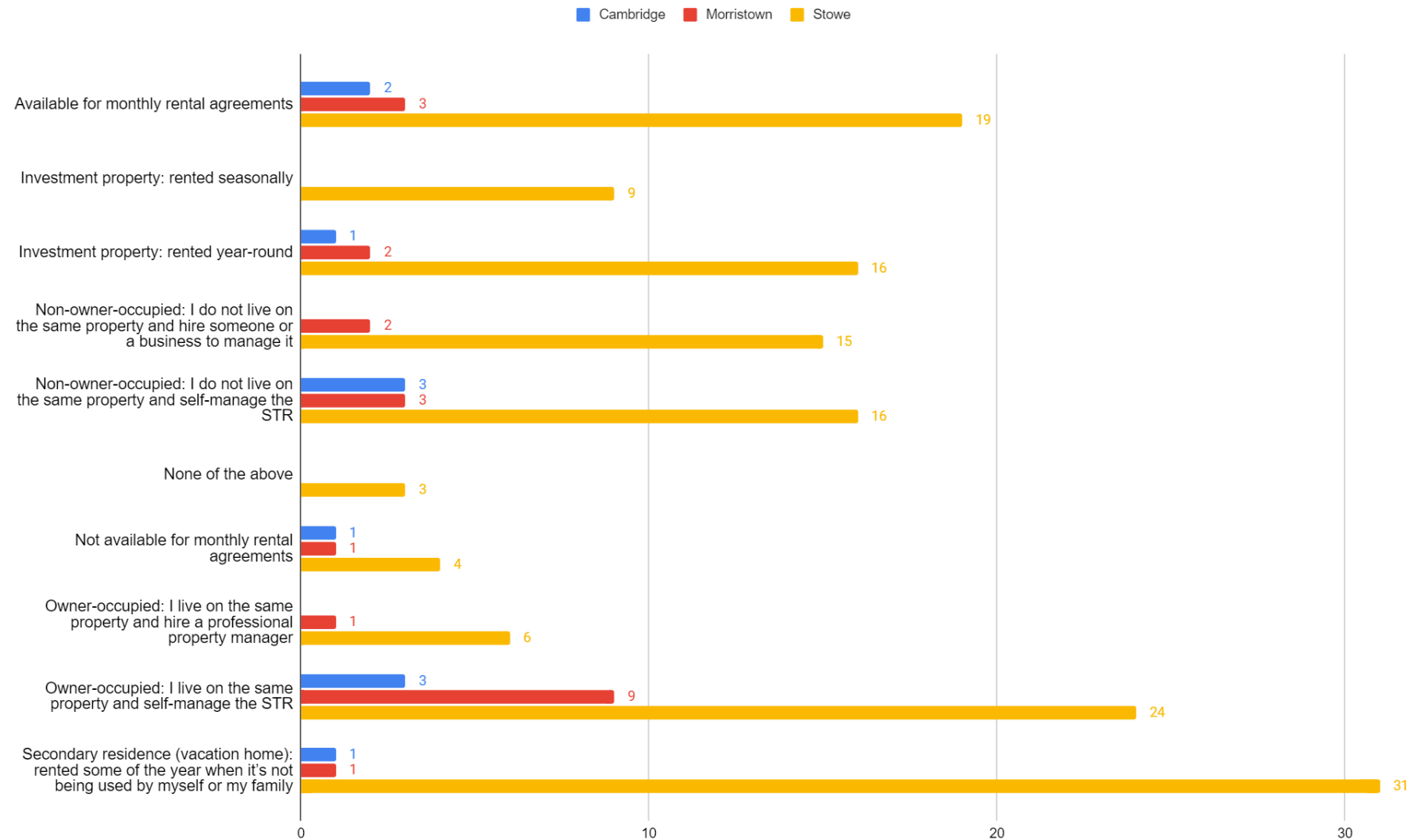
## How many owner-occupied STRs do you own?



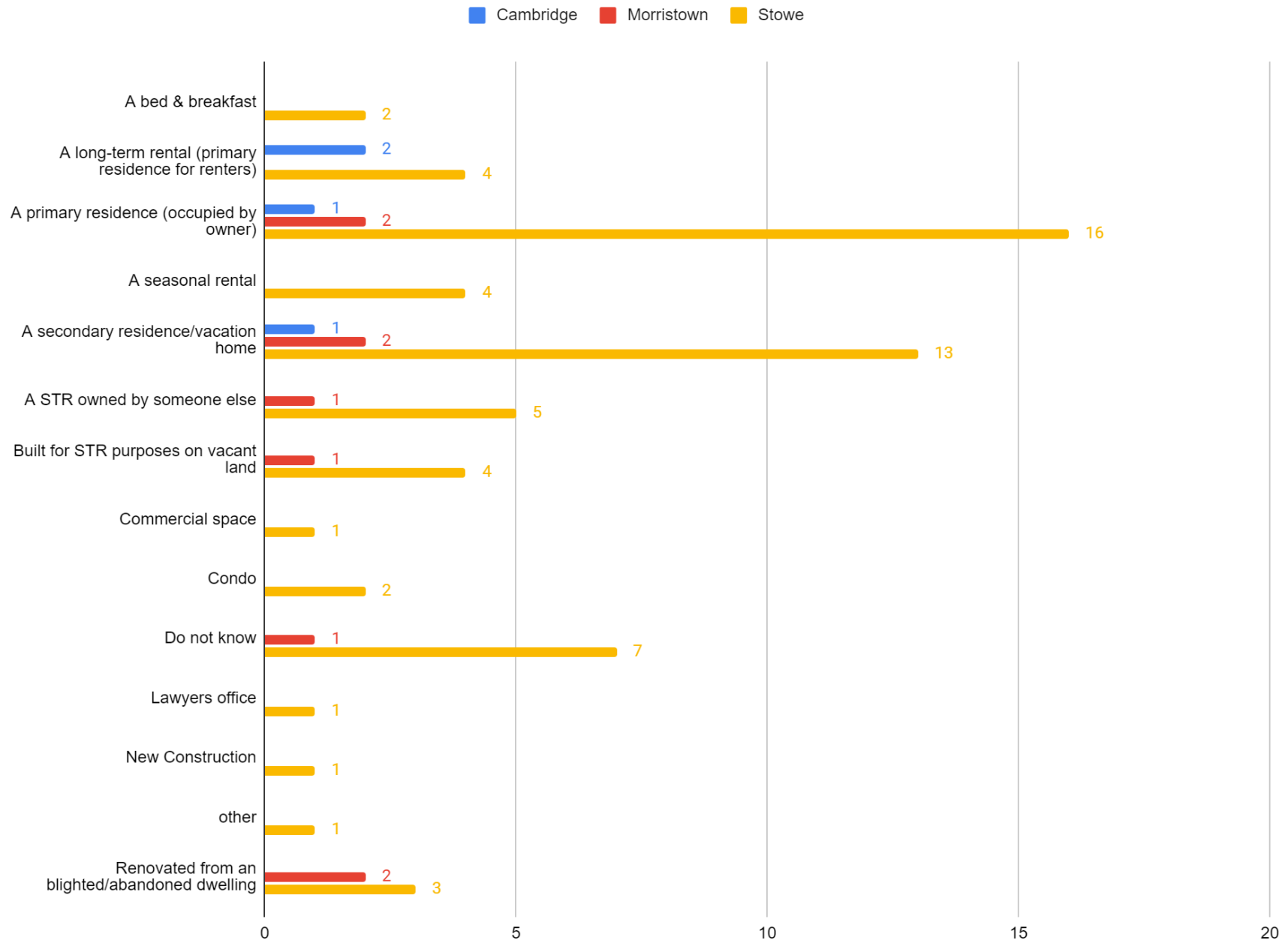
## How many non-owner occupied STRs do you own?



Which of these statements best describe how you operate your STR(s) in Lamoille County? My STR is:

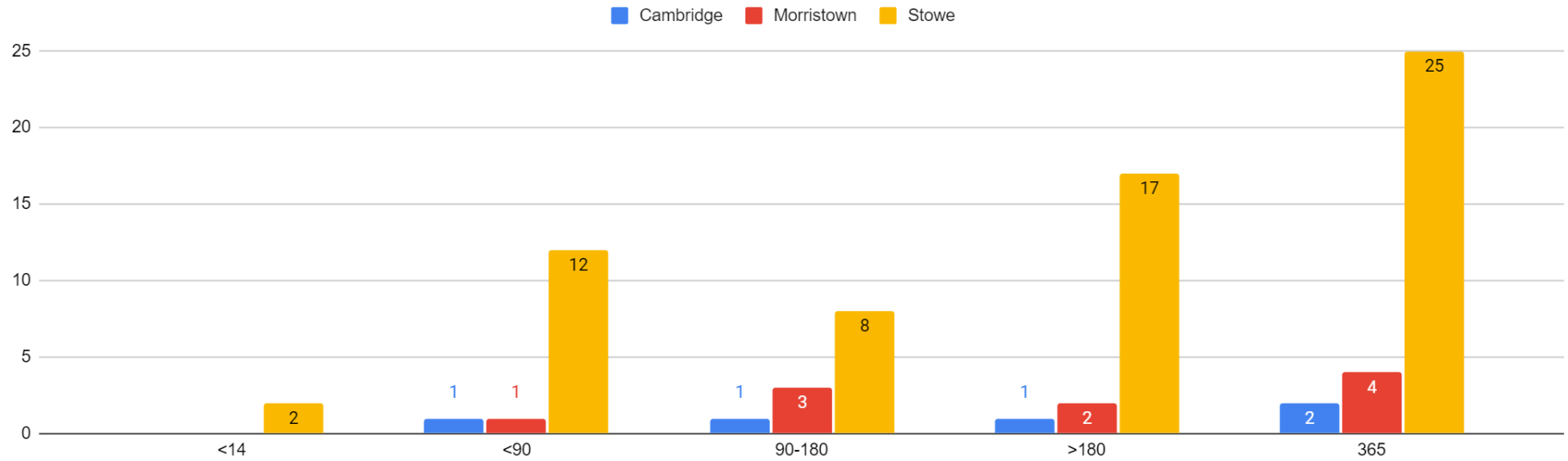


If your STR(s) is located on a non-owner-occupied property, what was the prior state of the unit(s) before you began offering it as an STR?

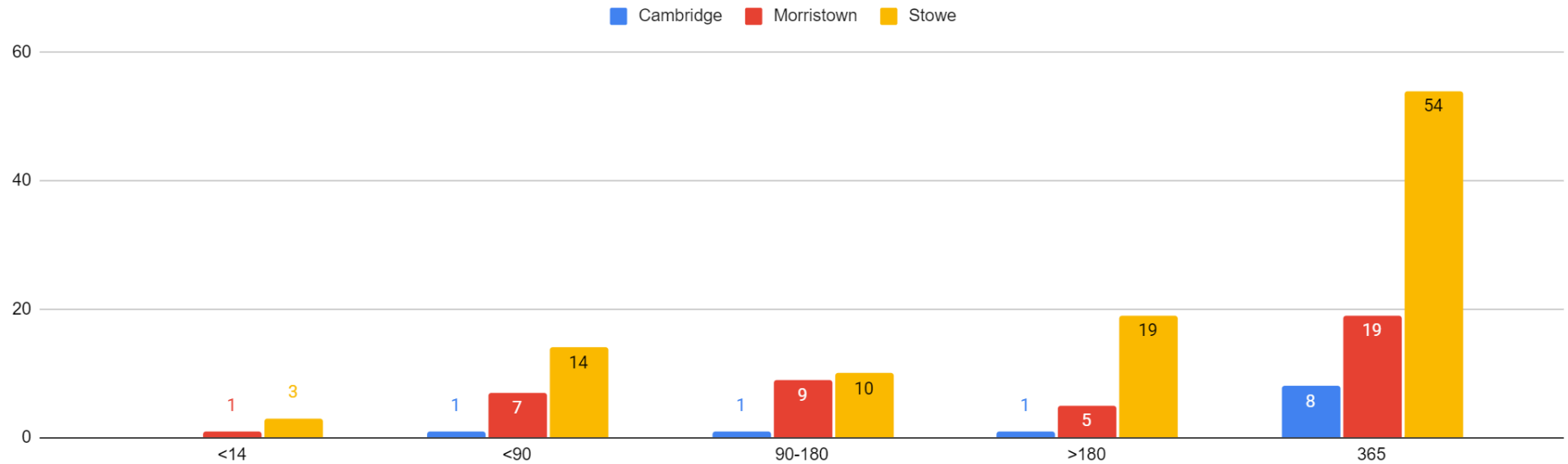




Landlords owning 1 unit - How many days of each year is your STR space made available for rent on a short-term basis?



All units available (estimate) - How many days of each year are your STRs made available for rent on a short-term basis?



What does the income you get from your STR provide for you, your family, or your business?

