

Survey Review

A survey on environmental awareness was conducted on March 17th, 2005 at Wichita State University in association with CEHH and the Geology Department.

Twenty-Two students presently attending a 100 level Earth Science and the Environment course were **asked to complete the 13 questions** about their perception on human health and the environment. Students aged from 18-55 participated in the survey which included 82% females and 18% males..

Results of the survey for **question # 1**, in which students were asked to **select the most dangerous environmental health problem from a list of water, outdoor air, indoor air, or soil**; indicate that **52%** selected water pollution as the most dangerous hazard posed by the environment; **42%** said that outdoor air pollution as the most dangerous health problem; **5%** said indoor pollution as the most dangerous problem to health. **None** selected soil pollution as most hazardous to health. The reason might be they were taught only about the water and air pollution effects in majority.

for **question # 2** which was about the reason why **they consider the above answers as hazardous** ,**32%** of them came to a conclusion by reading about it ,**28%** by experiencing it directly ,**20%** by learning about the dangers through non-experiential experience ,**16%** by watching TV/Radio , and **4%** by knowing someone experienced it

Questions # 3 and # 6 asked students **acceptance and awareness on the link between environment and human health**and Results were **82%** agreed that there is a link between health and environment they live in and pollution is an important cause which is effecting their health and **remaining** were with neutral opinion

Question # 4 asked about **the cause of health risks by pollution**

The reply was **82%** accepted it as an important one and **18%** said it as somewhat important.

Question # 5 was about the **basis of their answer for question # 4**

The major source of this awareness is through reading about it.

Question # 7 was about **source of reply for question #6**

Majority of students said it was through news papers/books/news letters

Question # 8 was about **taking a mandatory course on environment and health at WSU** There was a neutral response about this.

Question # 9 asked about **interest in learning about environment and human health through lectures/seminars @ WSU**

The reply was it depends on their schedule of the day.

Question # 10 was about **increase in human risk with environmental pollution** **95%** agreed to this and **5 %** were not sure.

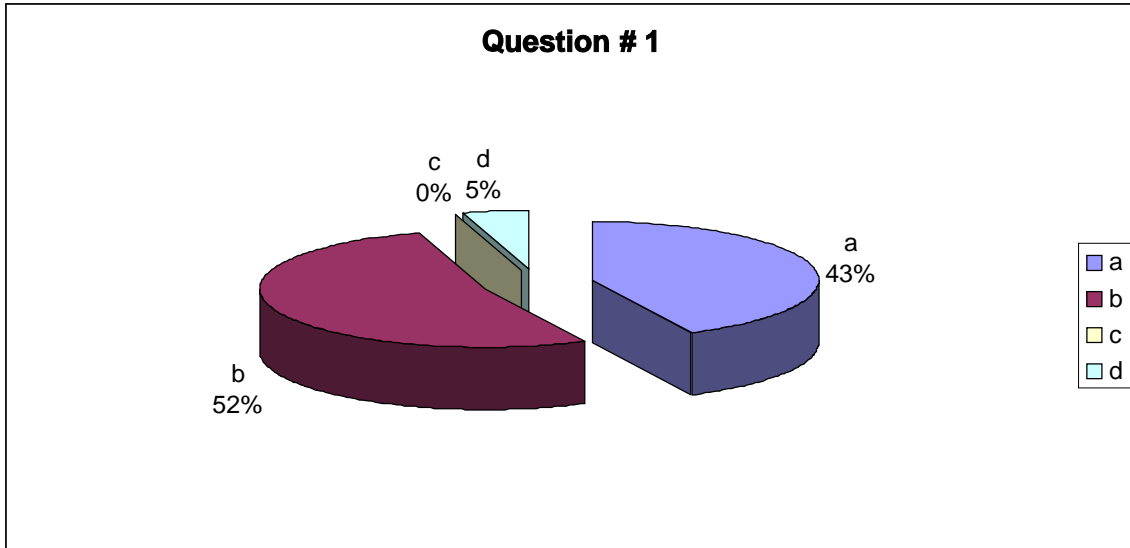
Question # 11, # 12 and # 13....were personal questions asking their **age , sex and year in college** respectively

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Question # 1

1. Would you say that the most dangerous hazard to your health posed by environmental problems?

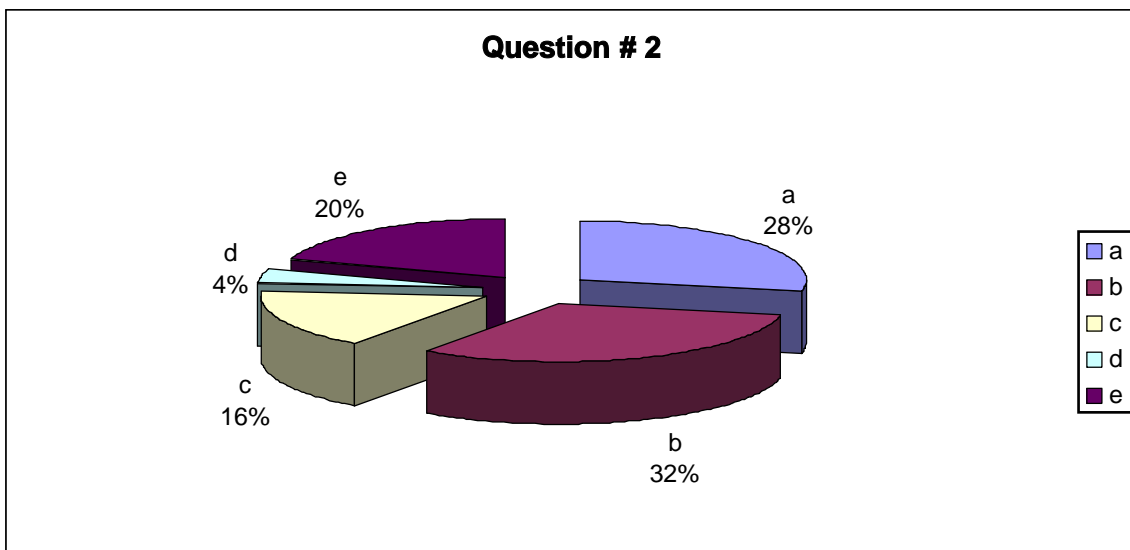
- a An Outdoor Air Pollution
- b Water Pollution**
- c Soil Pollution.
- d Indoor Pollution.



Question # 2

Why do you think / feel that your answer to question # 1 is most dangerous

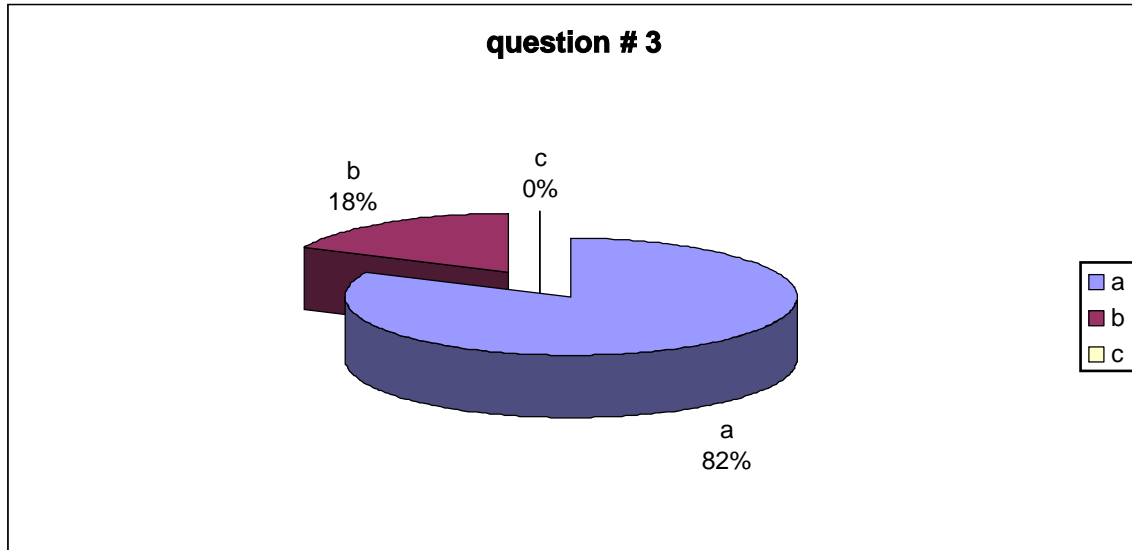
- a Experienced directly.
- b Read about it.**
- c T.V / Radio.
- d Know someone experienced it.
- e Learnt about dangers through non-experiential experience.



Question # 3

Do you think there is a link between health and environment in which you live?

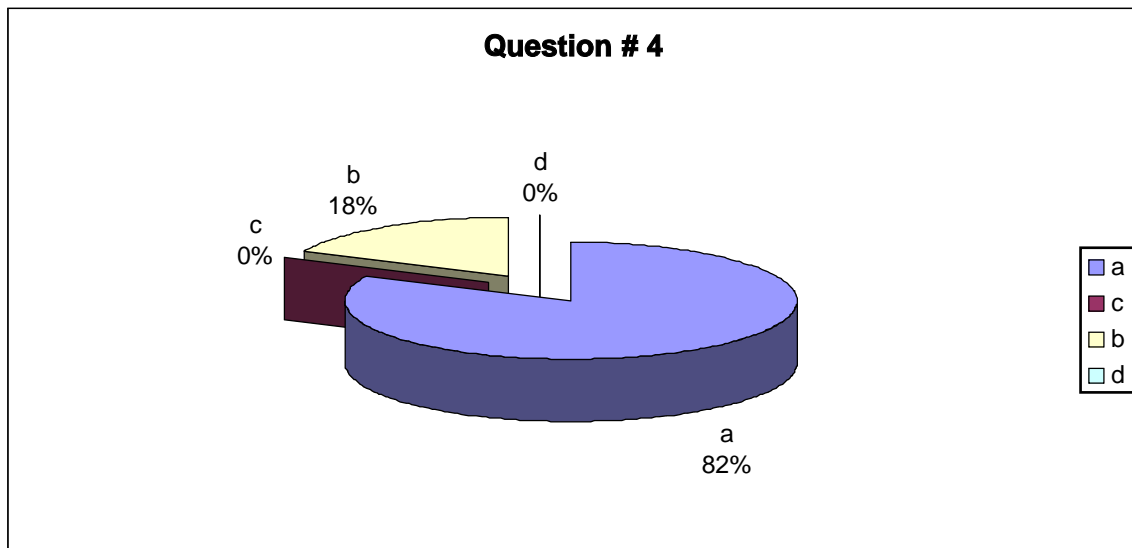
- a **Agree**
- b Neutral.
- c Disagree



Question # 4

How important would you say environmental factors like pollution are as a cause of health problem today? Would you this as.....

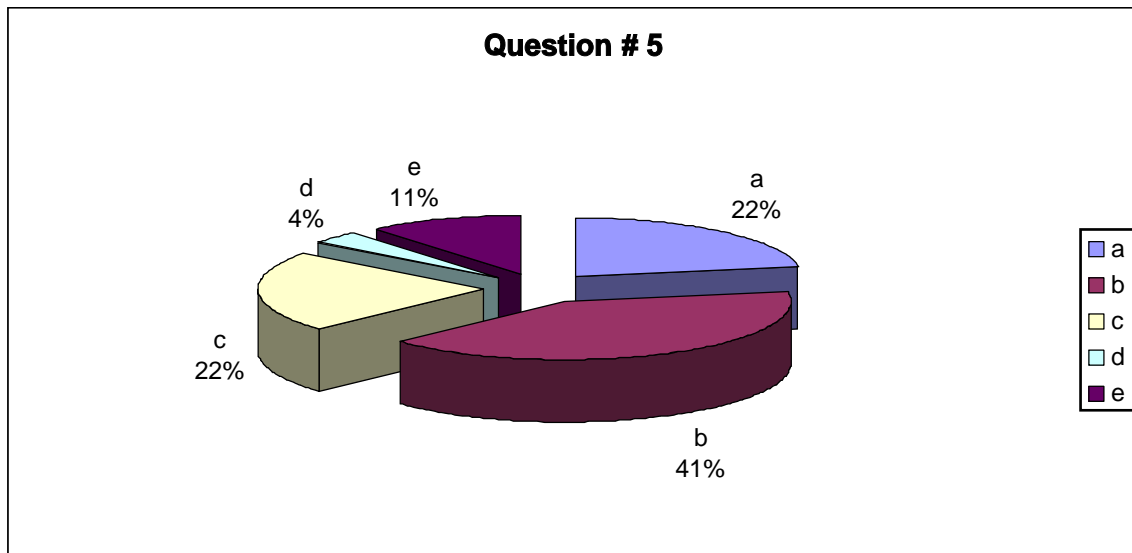
- a **An important cause.**
- b Somewhat an important cause.
- c Not an important cause
- d Don't know but willing to learn about it.



Question # 5

If you answered A or B in the previous question ,on what did you base your answer to the importance of environment and health

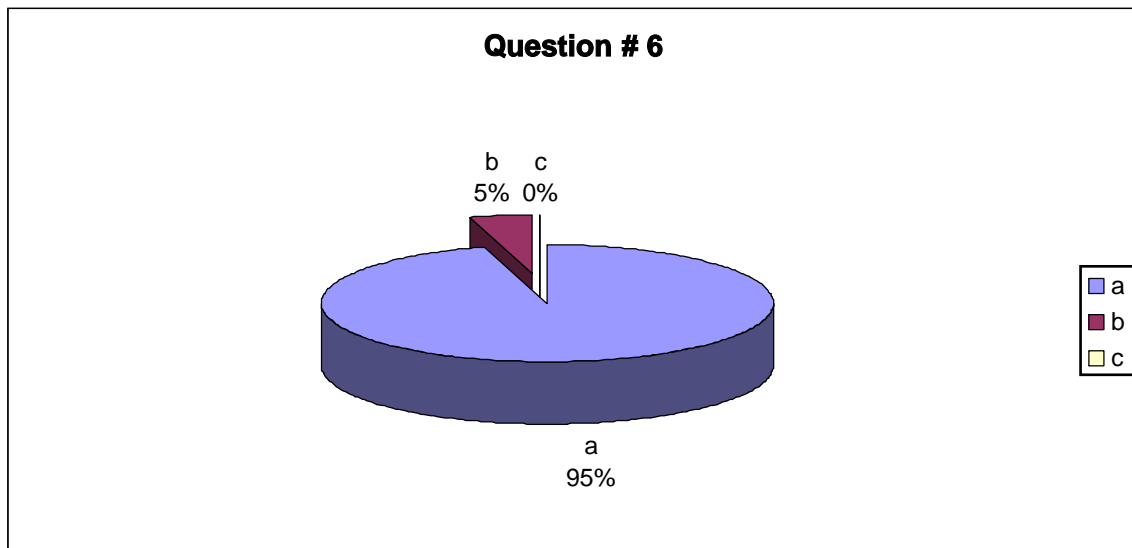
- a Experienced directly
- b Read about it.**
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Question # 6

Do you think every person should have awareness of links between their environment and health?

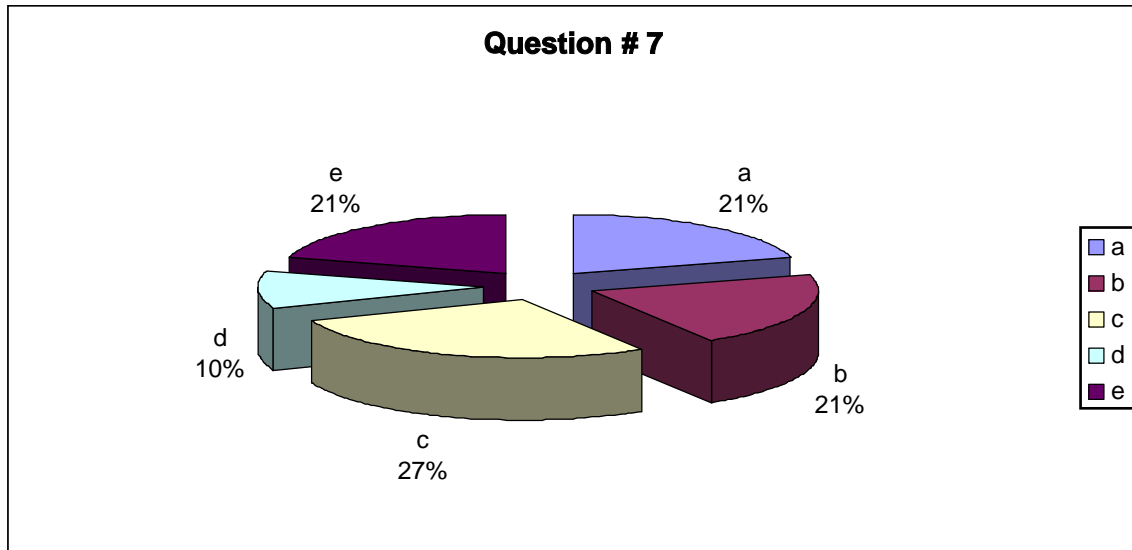
- a Yes**
- b Neutral
- c No



Question # 7

If your answer to # 6 was yes how do you go about getting that information?

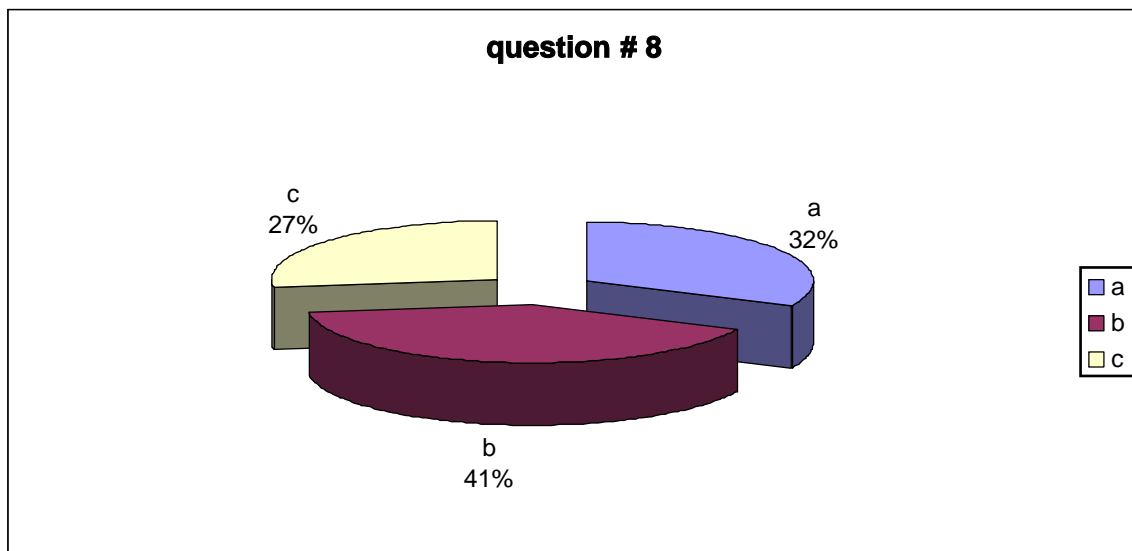
- a Websites
- b T.V/Radio
- c News papers/ Books/ News letters**
- d First / second hand experience.
- e Take a course at WSU on environment.



Question # 8

Do you think that a course on the links between health and environment should be mandatory for all students at WSU?

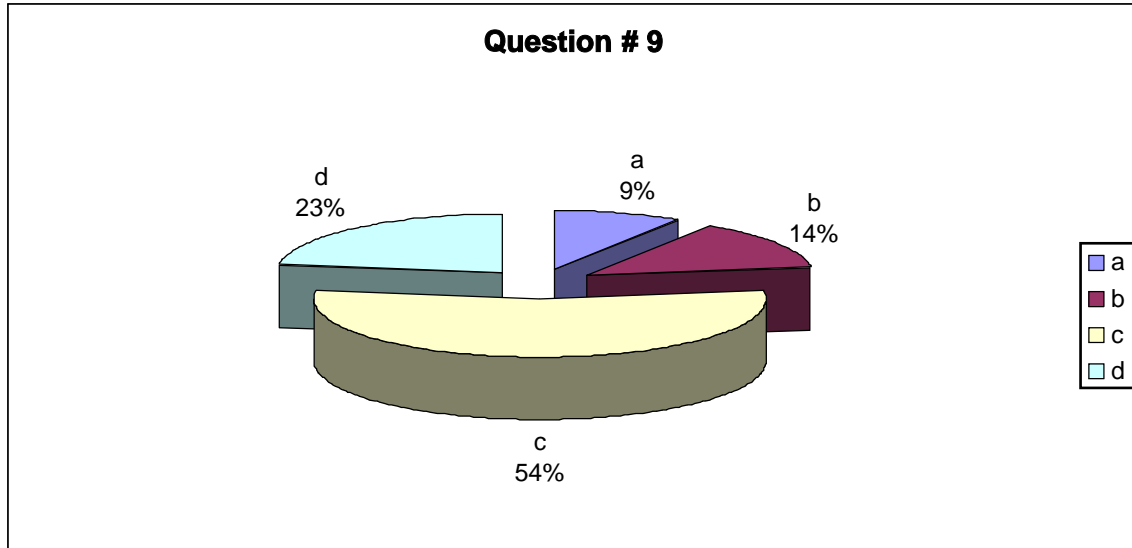
- a Yes
- b Neutral**
- c No



Question # 9

How interested are you in learning more about “Health- Environment” issues through seminars/lectures @ WSU?

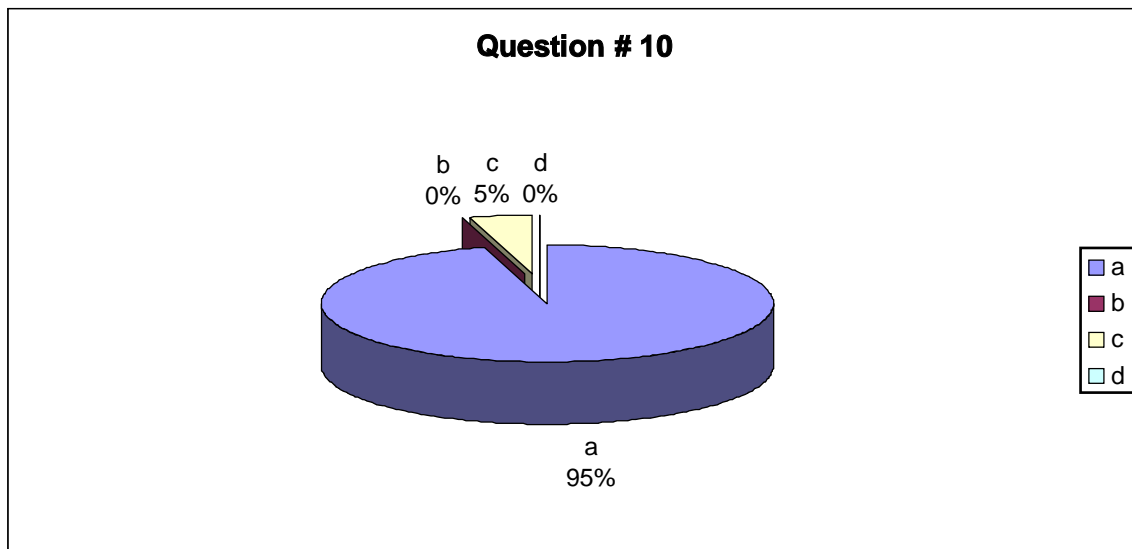
- a Yes I will attend
- b I have no time to think of it even.
- c Depends on the schedule of my day**
- d I am not interested.



Question # 10

When environmental pollution increases risk to human health increases too?

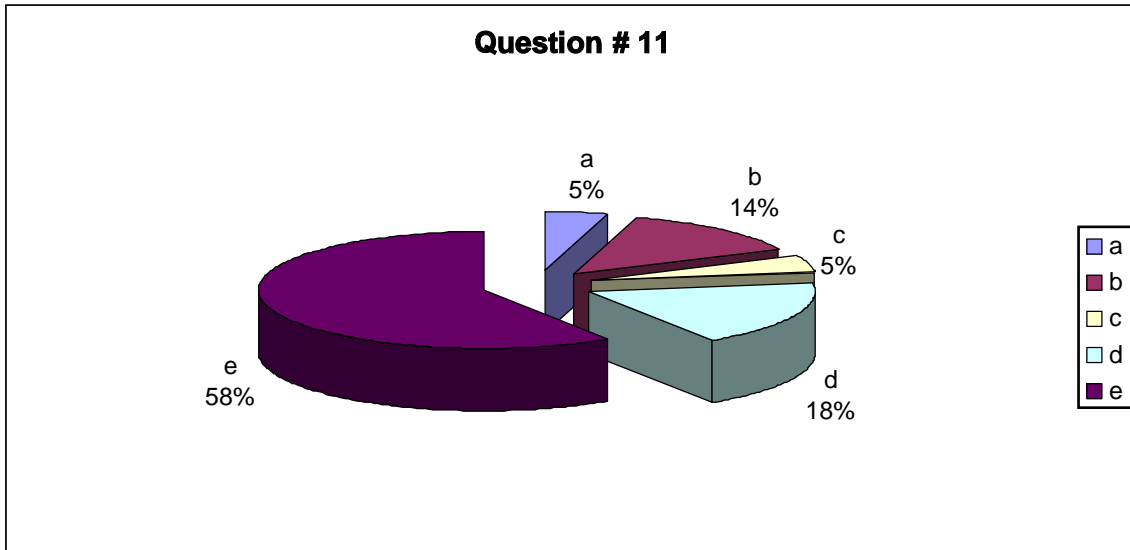
- a Agree.**
- b Disagree.
- c Not sure
- d I don't know.



Question # 11

Which of the age categories include your age?

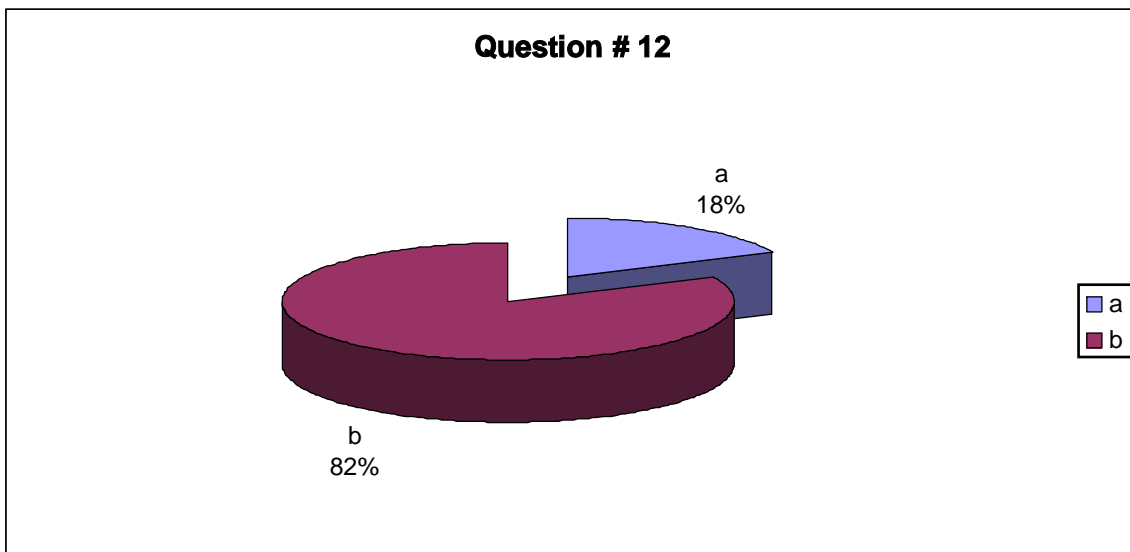
- a 55 or older
- b 45-54
- c 35-44
- d 25-34
- e 18-24**



Question # 12

Are you...

- a Male
- b Female**



Question # 13

Year in college

a 0-30 (hours)

b 31-60 (hours)

c 61-90 (hours)

d 91-120 (hours)

e Post Graduate.

