



# In Their Own Words

## The Impact of Covid19 on DREAMers

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# Survey Methodology

- To understand the current needs of our Scholars during the Covid-19 crisis TheDream.US surveyed our 3,700+ Scholars
- Survey was launched on Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> and closed on Tuesday March 24<sup>th</sup>.
- 1679 Scholars completed the Survey; a 44.6% response rate



# Impact on Scholars Income 76% of Scholars work

**Of those working, 80% are experiencing income loss due to:**

- Work hours reduced,
- Job lost temporarily, or
- Job lost permanently

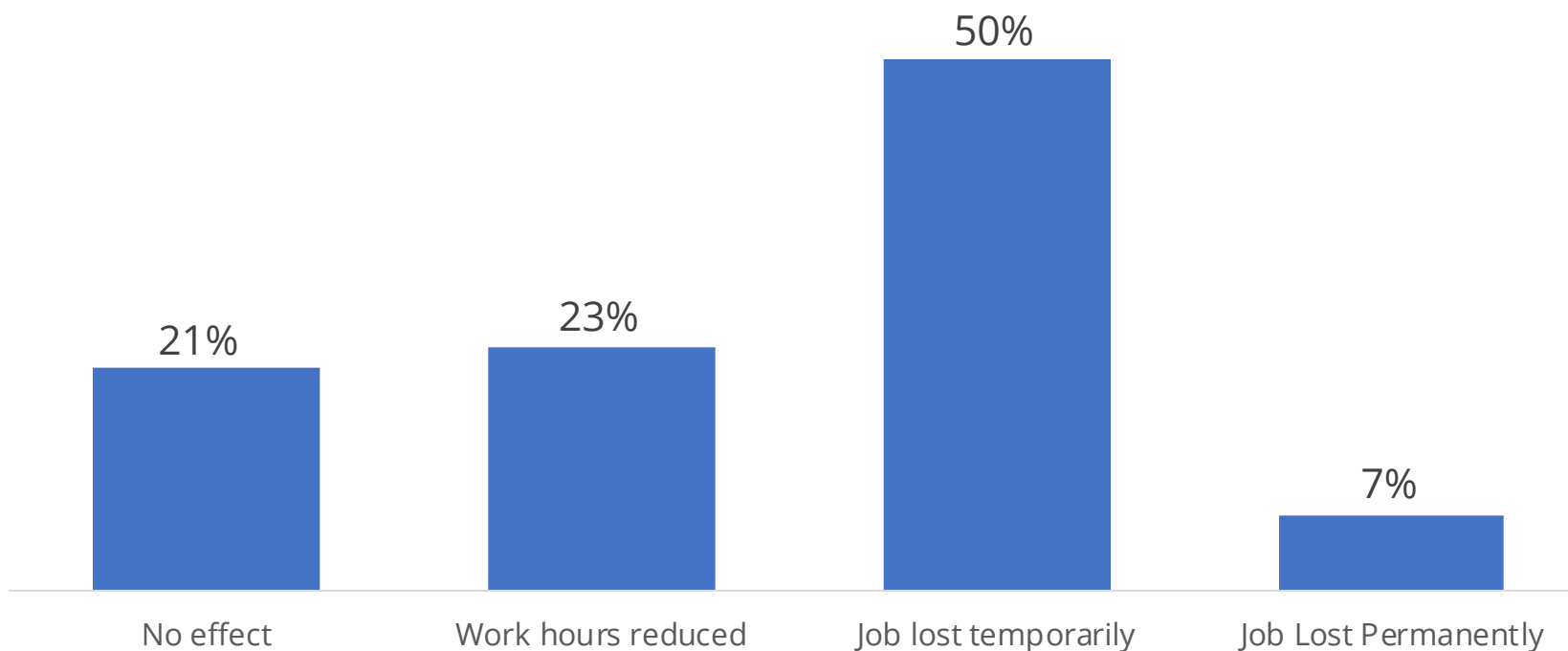
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*[I'm] worried about everything: rent, food, medical care etc., that my family and I might need and might not get if there's no work to pay for basic needs.*

-TheDream.US Scholar

# Q1: For those working, how did it affect your work?

Answered: 1,276



# Impact of temporary job lost

Of the 632 respondents who said they lost their job temporarily, **92%** will not be paid or will be paid a reduced amount.

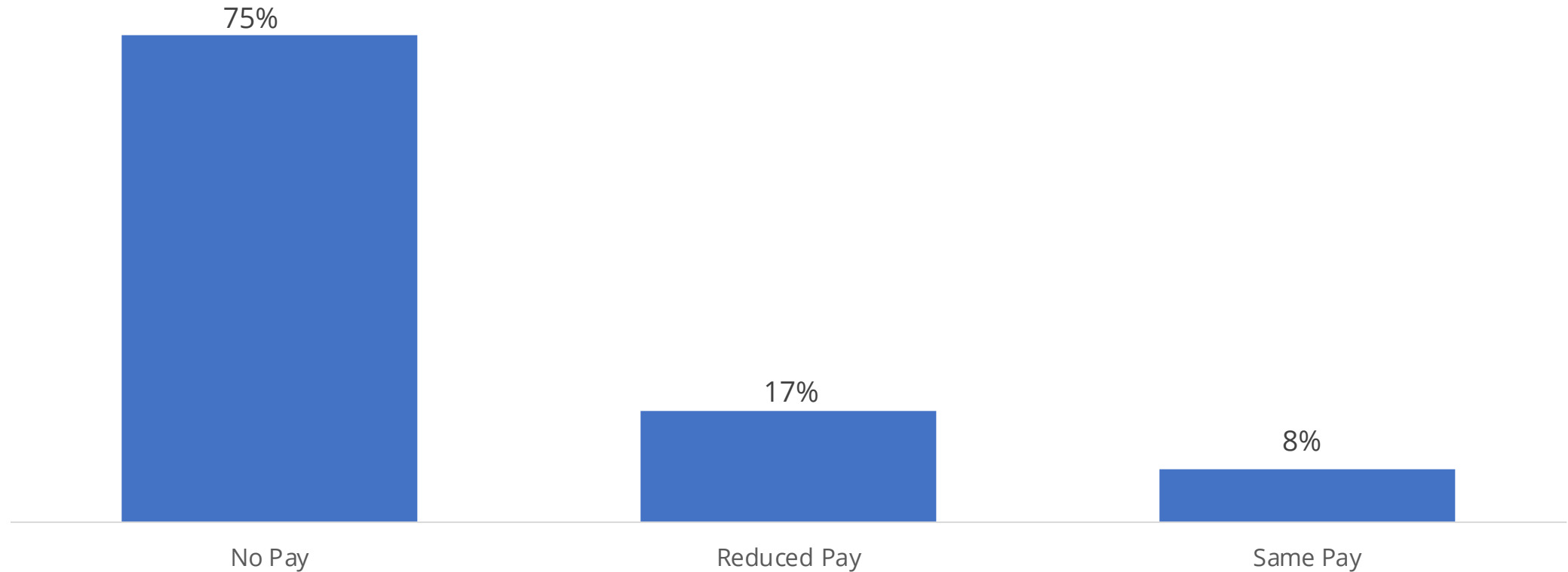
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*I lost a job temporarily (3 months) and they're unsure if they'll call back. And, I lost my other full time job.*

-TheDream.US Scholar

# Q2: If you lost your job temporarily, will you be getting paid?

Answered: 632



# Mental health support

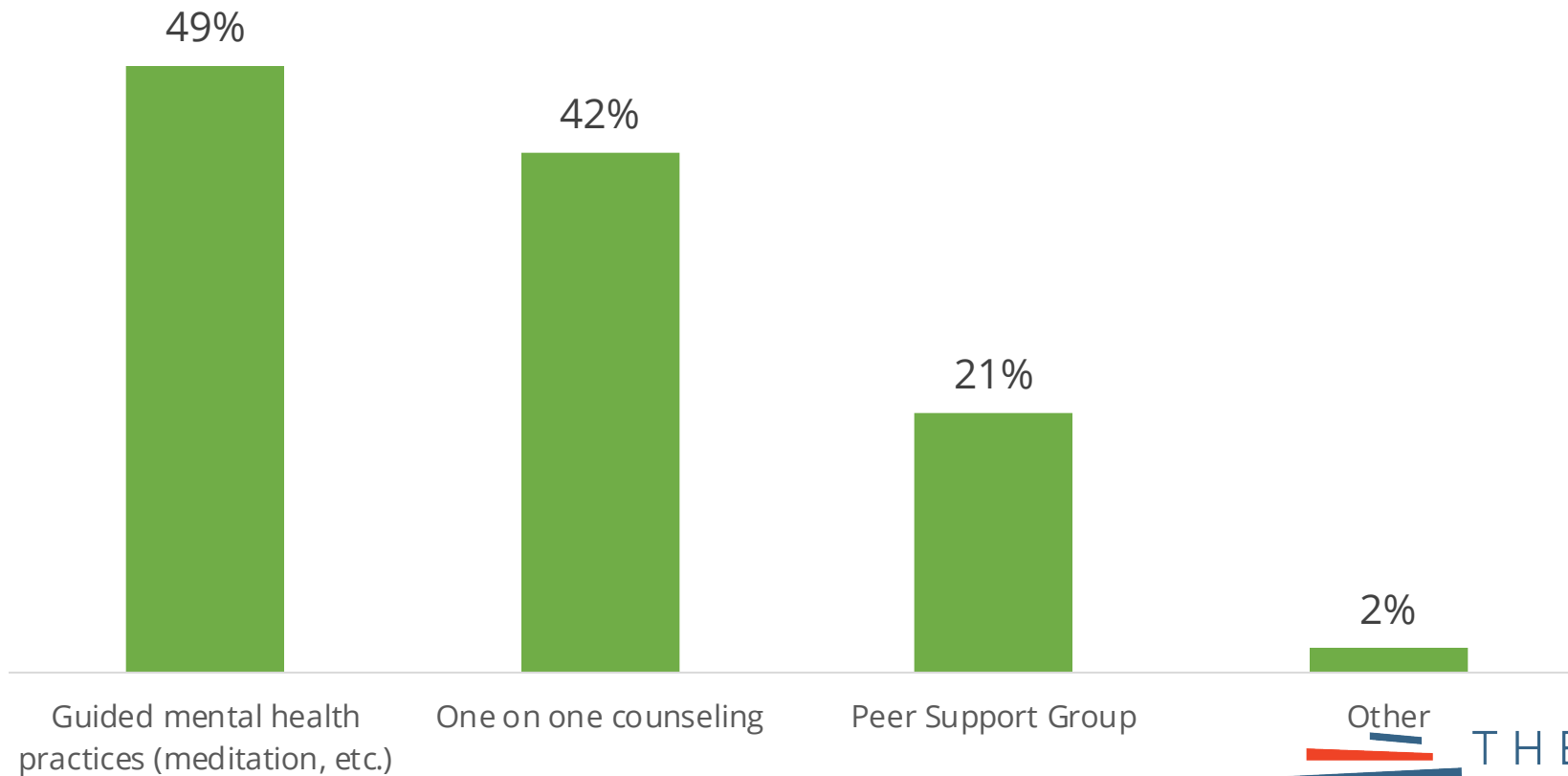
**58%** of Scholars reported needing mental health support

“*My anxiety has been very high as of late. How do I cope with my anxiety?*”

-TheDream.US Scholar

# Q3: If you are in need of mental health support, what would be helpful? Check all that apply.

Answered: 986





# Scholar Top needs

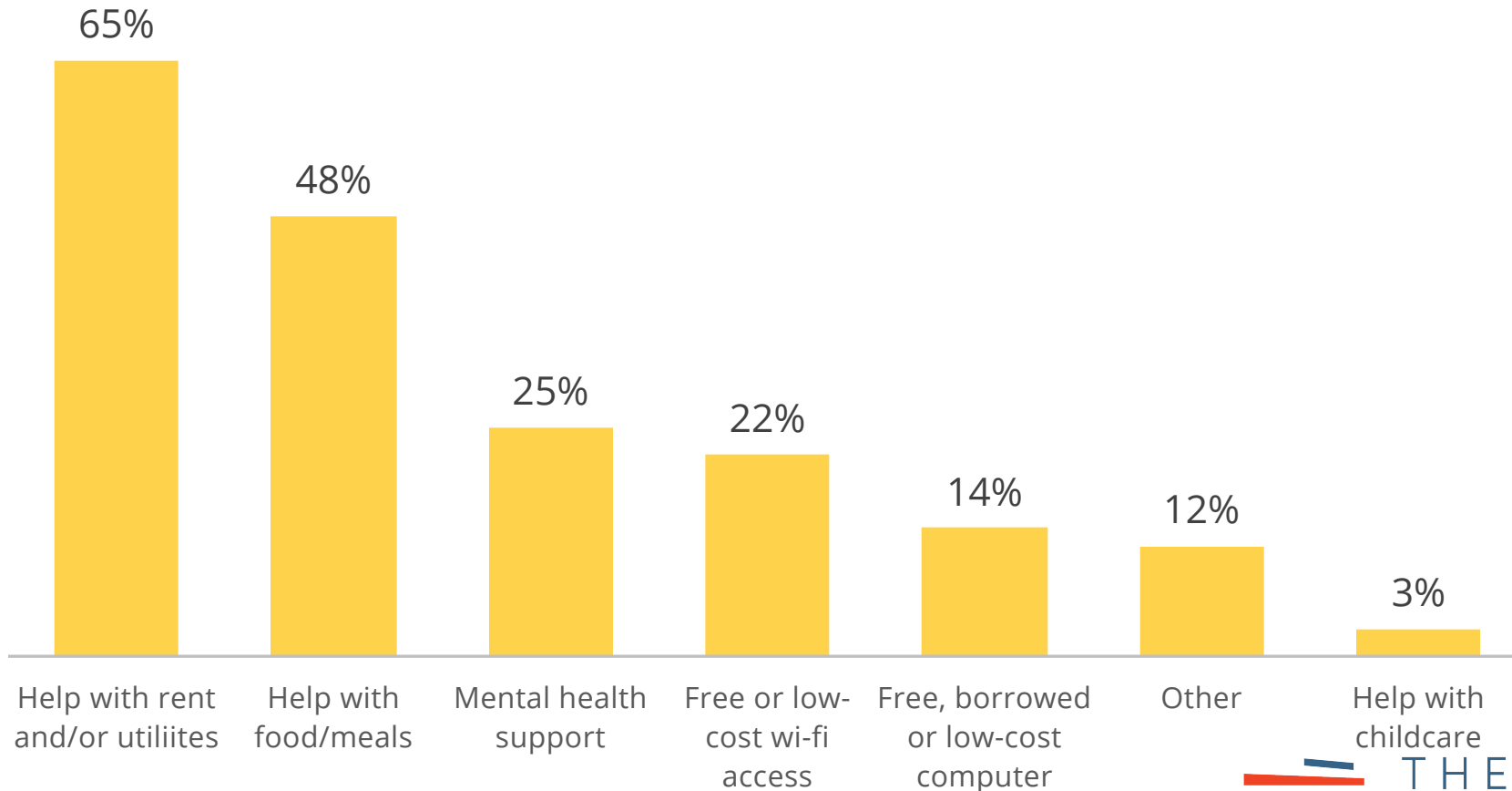
- Help with rent and utilities
- Help with food and meals

“ Although I currently have a job, my parents have lost theirs and I am now the head of household. I’m stressed and unsure of how this will affect my entire household in the future.

-TheDream.US Scholar

# Q4: Do you need help with any of the following during this time? Check all that apply.

Answered: 1,255 Skipped: 424



# Concerns about Online classes

**Many Scholars also reported anxiety on ability to do well in online classes and on completing majors that required labs, practicums, etc.**

*I'm an education major and unable to complete my fieldwork hours because schools have been shut down.*

*The resources at campus were really helpful in passing my classes, like tutoring. I'm concerned...not having that physical help one on one.*

*I've never taken an online class and I'm scared I will struggle with the classes and material.*

*I am struggling to keep up with school from home since I do not have internet access.*



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