

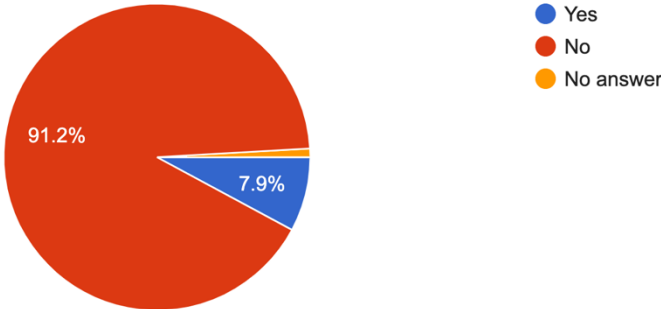
# Problems in the TRNC Housing Sector - October, 2021

When asked, the majority of respondents reported that they lived in Nicosia (59.8%), followed by Famagusta at 18.1%, Kyrenia at 14.5%, and Lefke at 3.3%.

93.4% responded that they thought rent deposits were unusually high, with as many as 67.5% reporting that they have previously been denied their deposits when leaving a house even though there was no property damage.

Furthermore, the survey showed that a staggering 91.2% of respondents feel that the cost of housing is unfair and does not reflect the standards of the available options.

Do you feel that that the cost of housing is fair and reflect the standards of the available options?  
331 responses

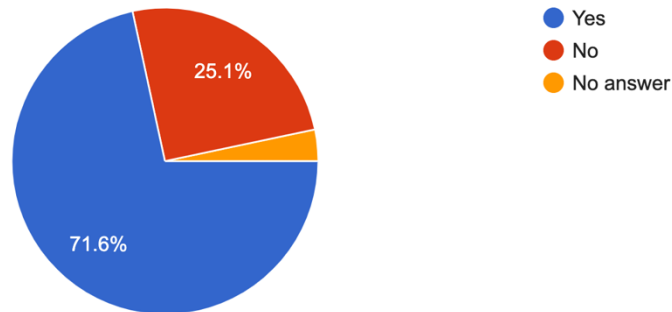


Respondents were also asked if their current accommodation payment method and timeline is compatible with them, 64.7% responded no while 30.8% responded yes and the undecided were 4.5%.

When asked if they have ever been defrauded or otherwise had a bad experience with a landlord or agent, the majority 71.6% responded yes.

Have you ever been defrauded or otherwise had a bad experience with a landlord or agent?

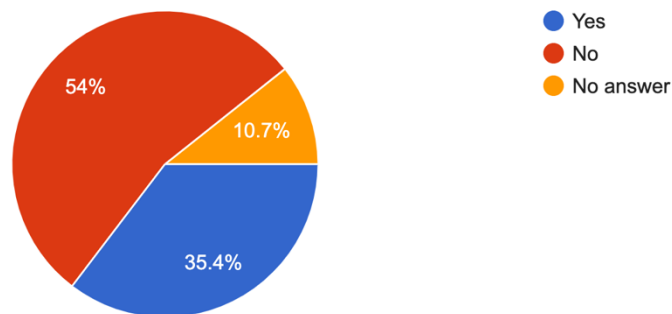
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However, when asked if they have ever been defrauded or otherwise had a bad experience with an estate company, 54% of participants responded no, 35.4% responded yes, while 10.7% had no answer. Suggesting that individual landlords/agents are not as trustworthy as companies

Have you ever been defrauded or otherwise had a bad experience with a estate company?

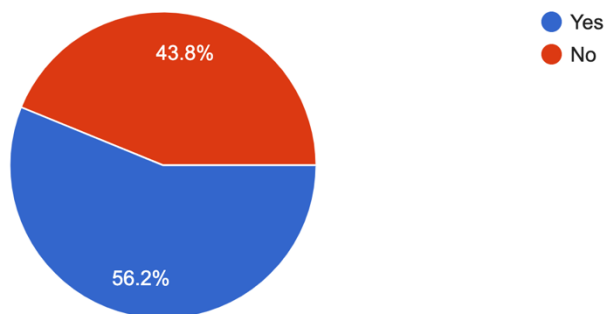
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Respondents were questioned if they think the cost of electricity is fair, 68% responded no. In addition, a follow up question was posed, if you pay electricity through your landlord, do they charge you more per KW than the government price, to which 56.2% responded yes.

If you get electricity from your landlord, do they charge you more per kW than the government price?

308 responses



Lastly, the participants were asked to rate the frequency of deception/fraud in the TRNC housing sector, 1 being very low and 5 being very high. The majority rated it either 4 or 5, indicating that these are very common for among international students.

Out of 5, how would you rate the frequency of deception/fraud in the TRNC housing sector?

331 responses

