

# **The OB/GYN Hospitalist Experience During COVID-19**

## **Initial Survey Results**

# Methods

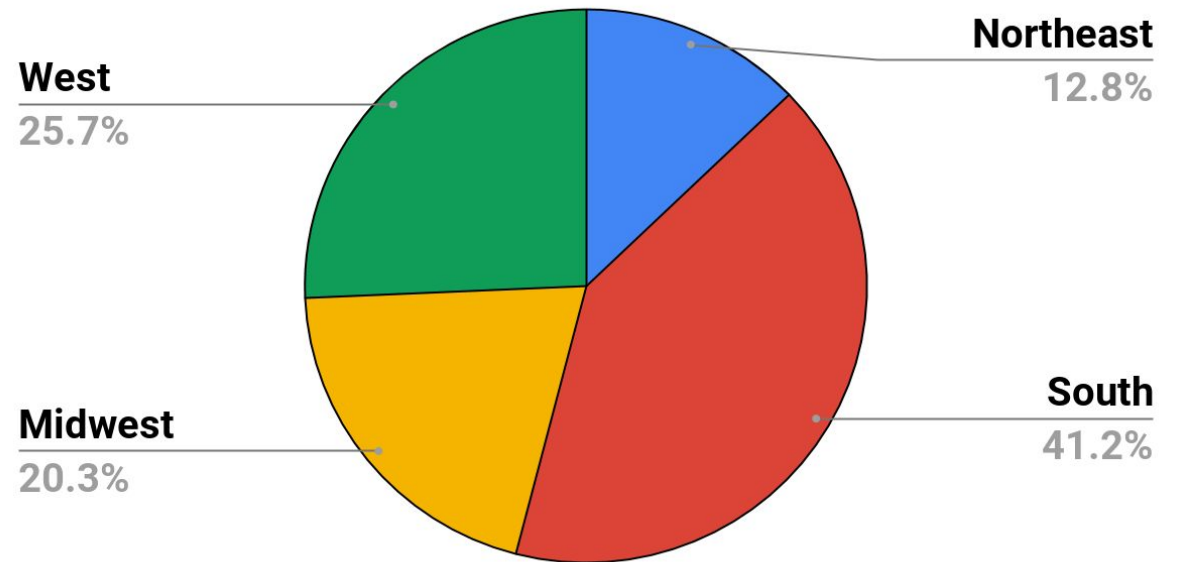
- Survey sent to all SOGH members via email
  - Responses collected April 15-April 30
  - 16 question survey
    - Demographics
    - Masking of patients and providers
    - PPE use and perception of PPE supplies
    - Universal testing
    - Asked about early in the pandemic (around April 1) vs late April
    - Open ended question: Is there anything else about your work environment or experience related to this pandemic that we did not ask, but which is important to you?
- Response rate 14.6% (153 responses out of 1,065 SOGH members)

## Results: Demographics

### Most survey respondents worked at:

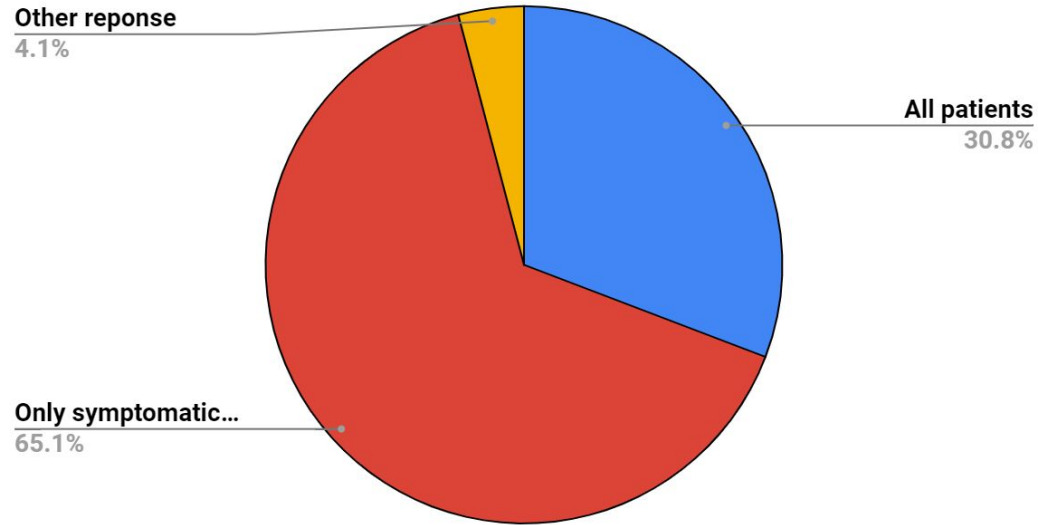
- Non-teaching hospitals (60.5%)
- Moderate delivery volume hospitals (ie, 1,000-4,999 deliveries/year) (73.8%)
- Urban areas (61.4%)

### Region

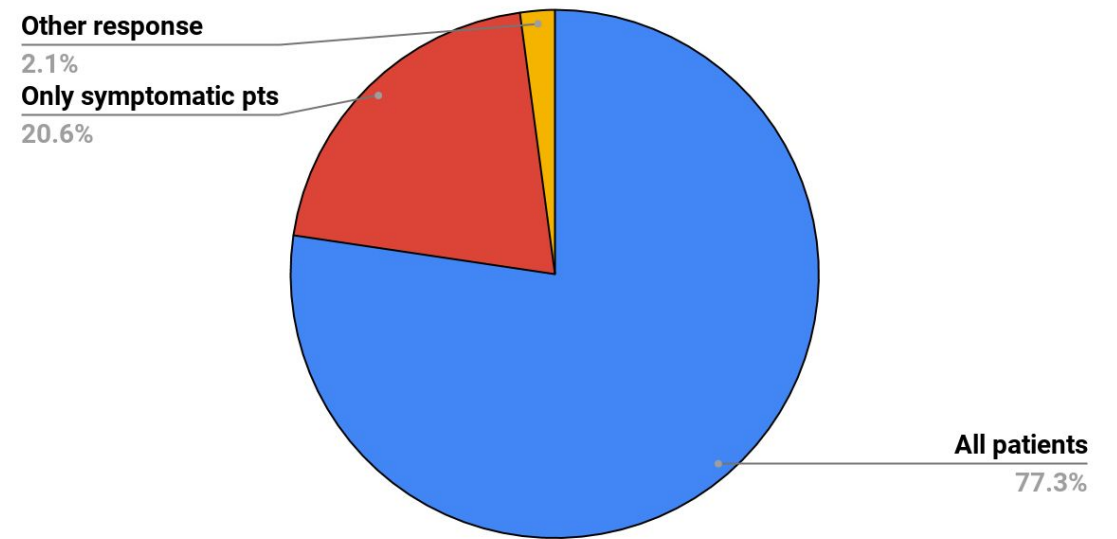


# Patient Masking

## April 1



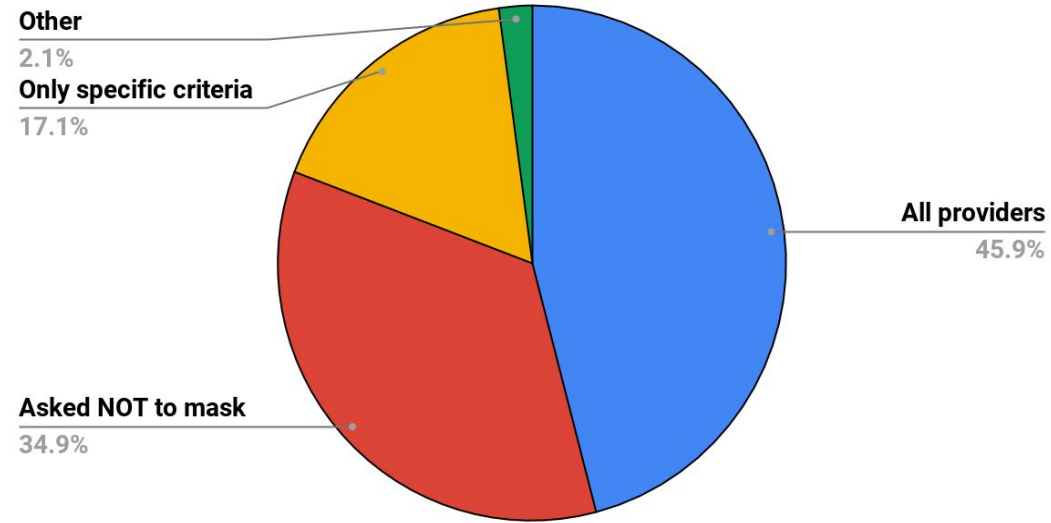
## Late April



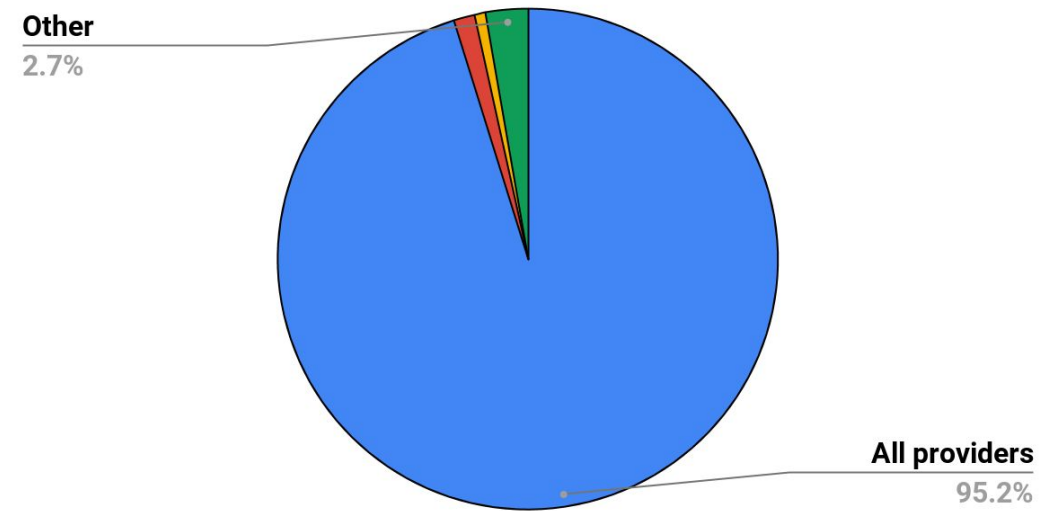


# Provider Masking

### April 1

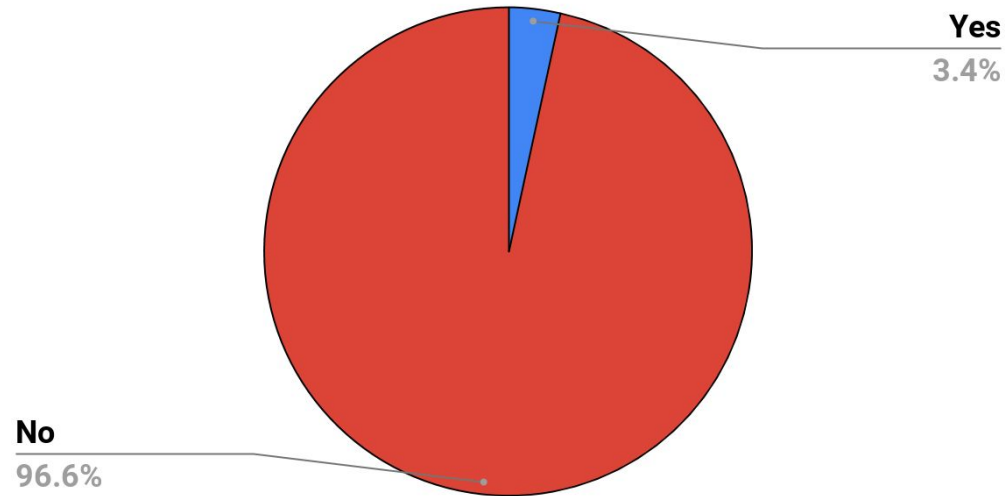


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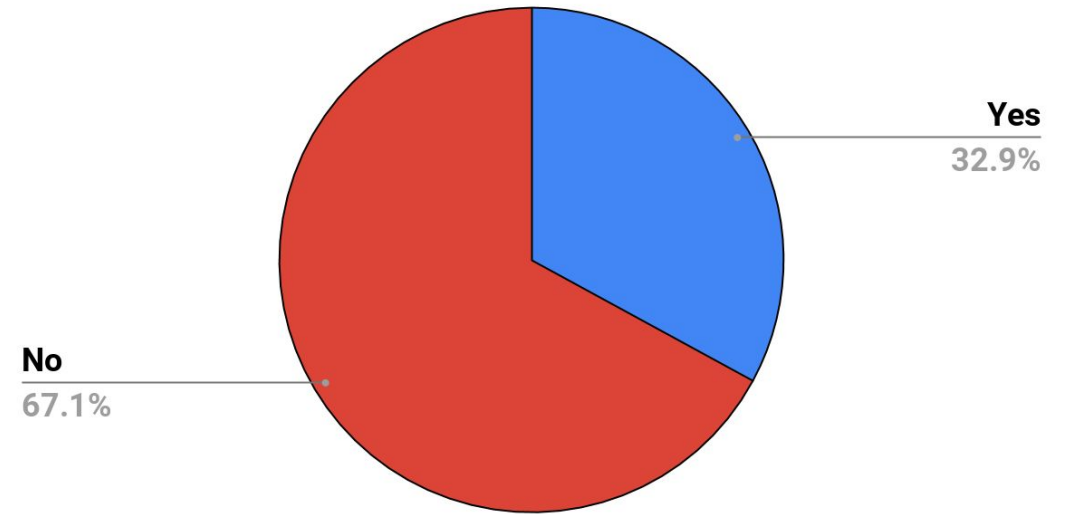


# Universal Testing on L&D

April 1

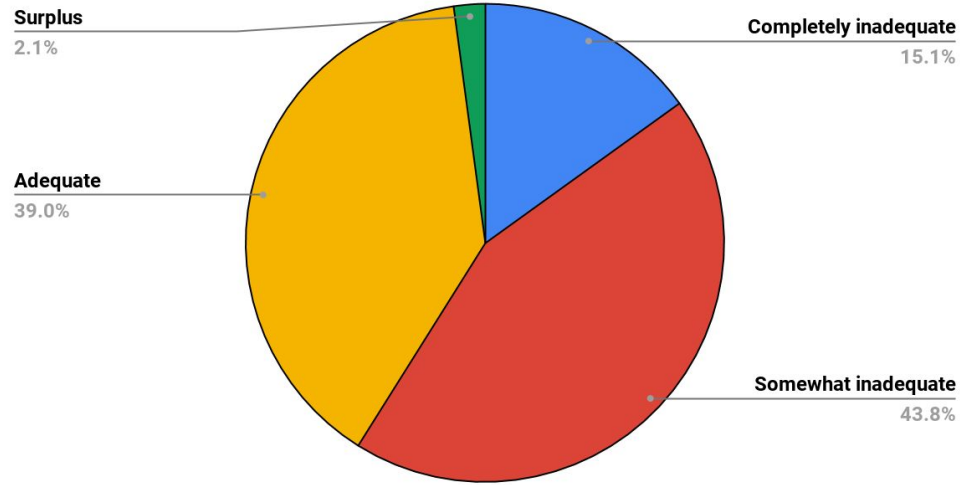


Late April

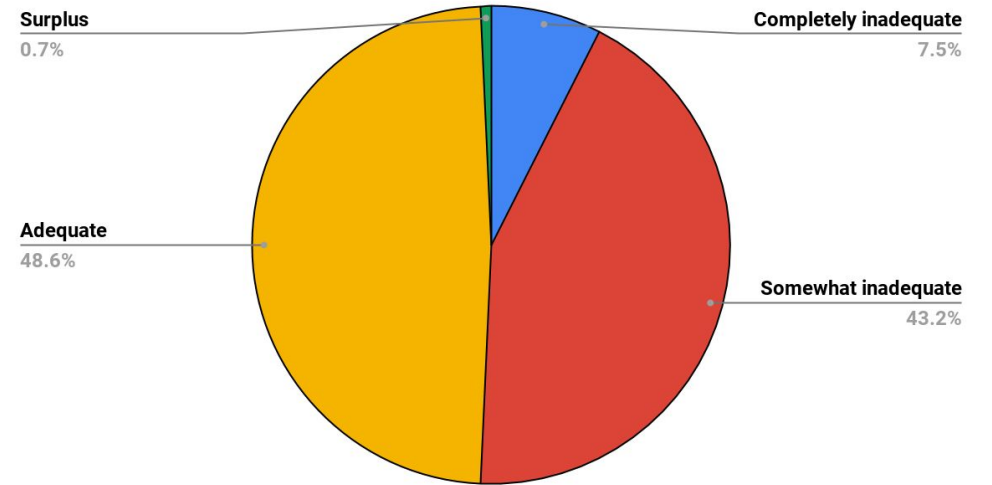


# Respondent Perception of PPE Availability

### April 1

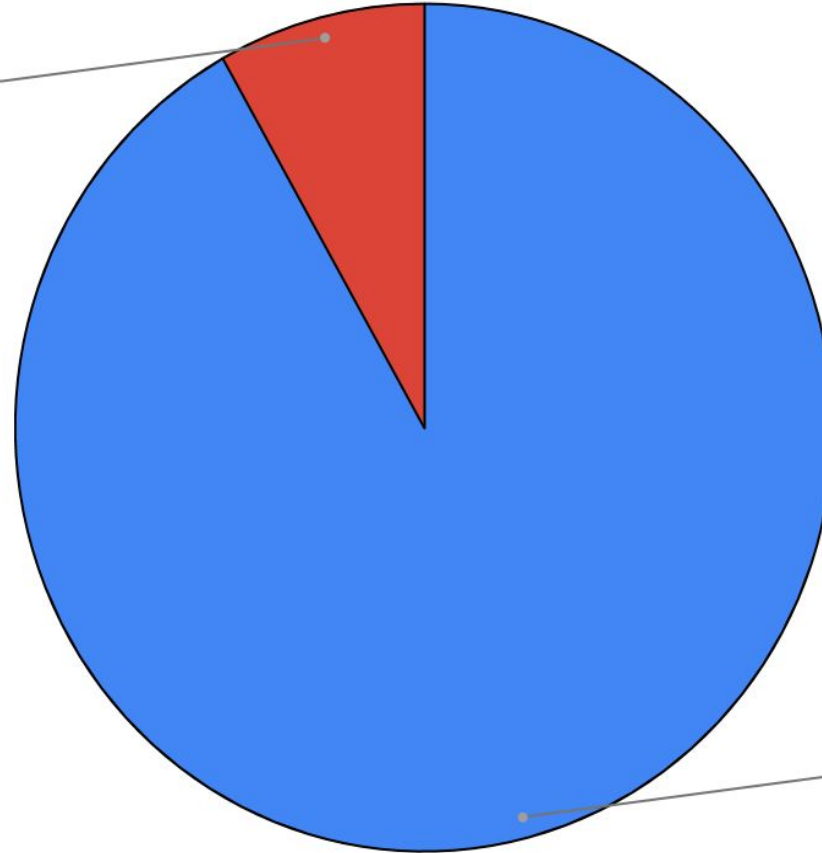


### Late April



# Is PPE rationed?

No  
8.2%



Yes  
91.8%



# Common Themes

- **PPE and testing availability are the primary concerns for most OB/GYN hospitalists.**
- **The sources used in the construction of hospital COVID-19 protocols, including both evidence and personnel, are important in the success of implementation and the level of trust OB/GYN hospitalists have in their institution.**
- **Some OB/GYN hospitalists feel that their jobs are at risk if they advocate for safer policies and practices.**
- **Statements from national organization recommending best practices are critical in advocating for policy changes and implementation within individual hospitals and healthcare systems.**
- **More questions should be asked to develop best practices and fully describe the experience of an OB/GYN Hospitalist as a frontline worker in this pandemic.**