

# NEPC CORPORATE DEFINED BENEFIT FLASH POLL

## COVID-19: MARKET VIEWS AND ACTIONS

March 2020

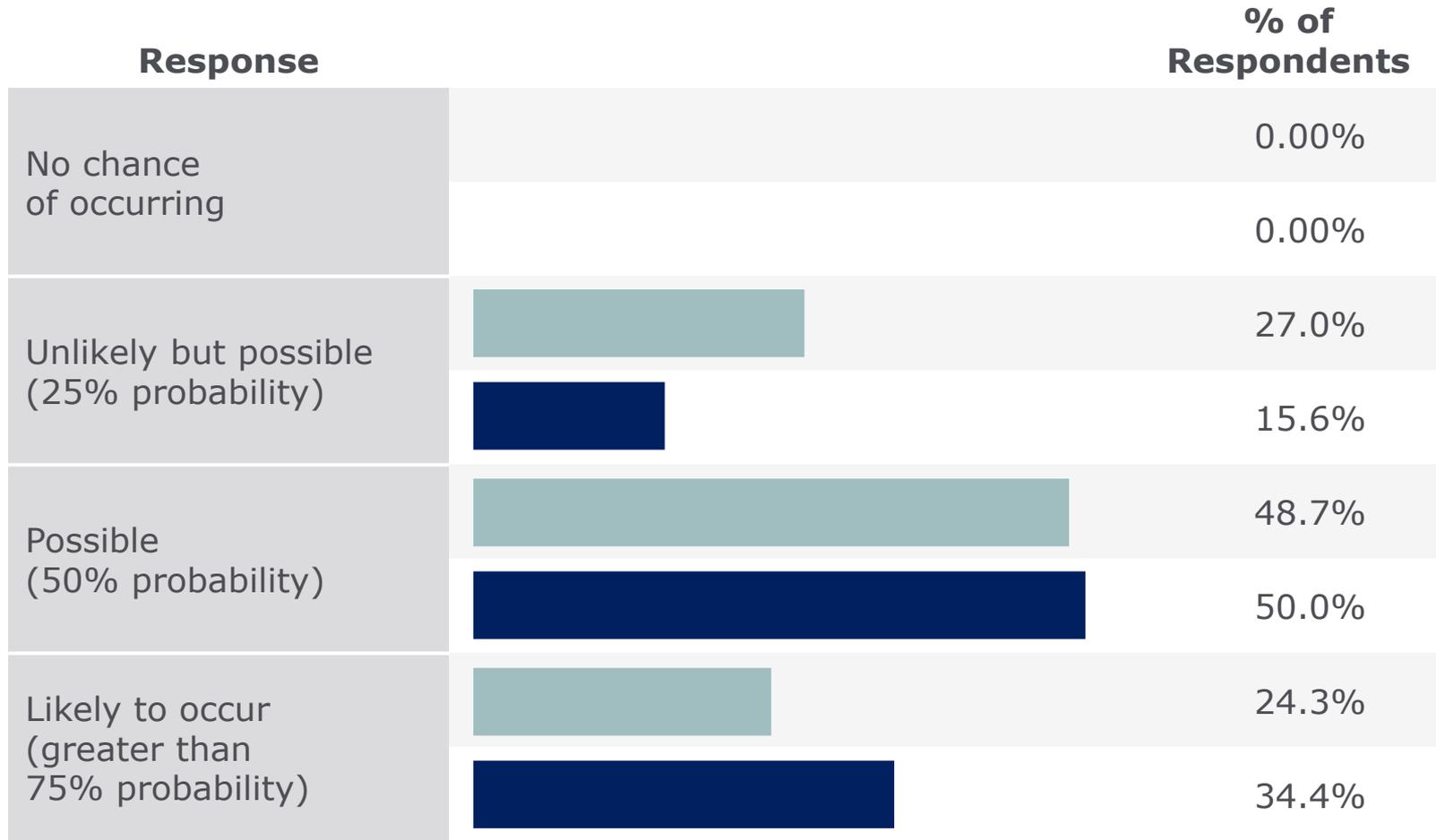


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# Q1

## What are your thoughts regarding the possibility of COVID-19 leading to a recession in the U.S.?



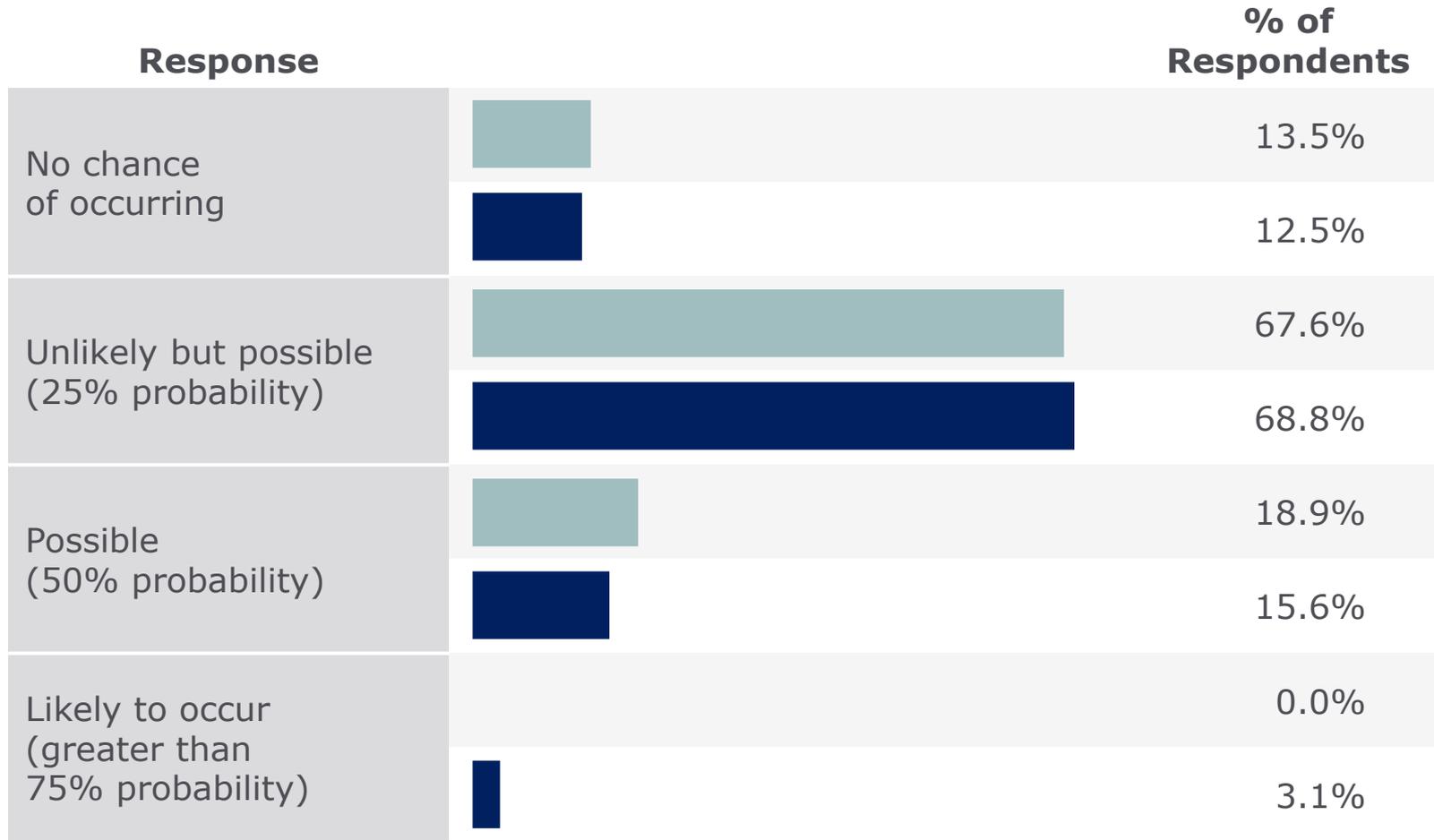
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# Q2

## What are your thoughts regarding the likelihood of negative interest rates in the U.S.?

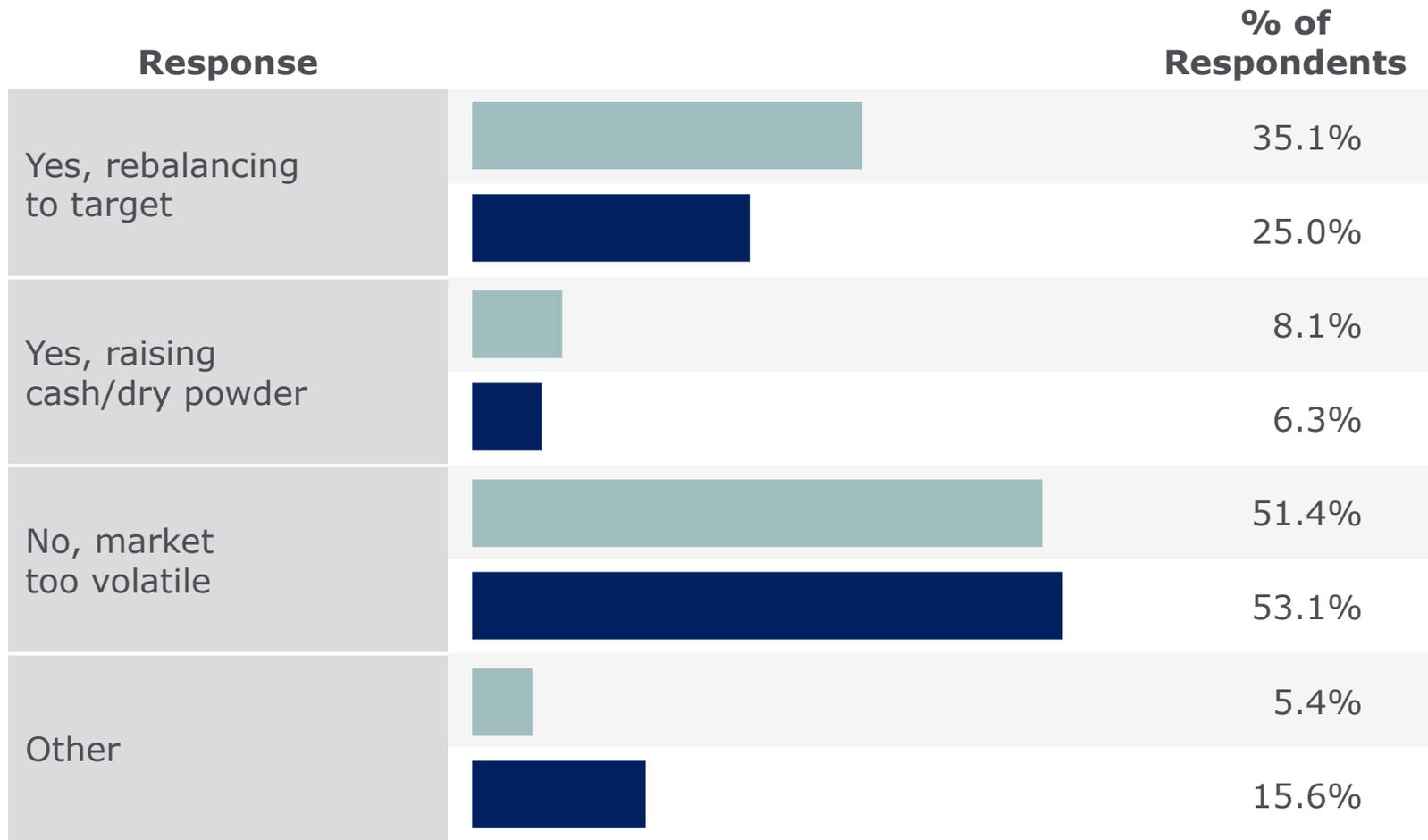


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# Q3 Are you taking any actions in your defined benefit pension plan given the market volatility due to COVID-19?

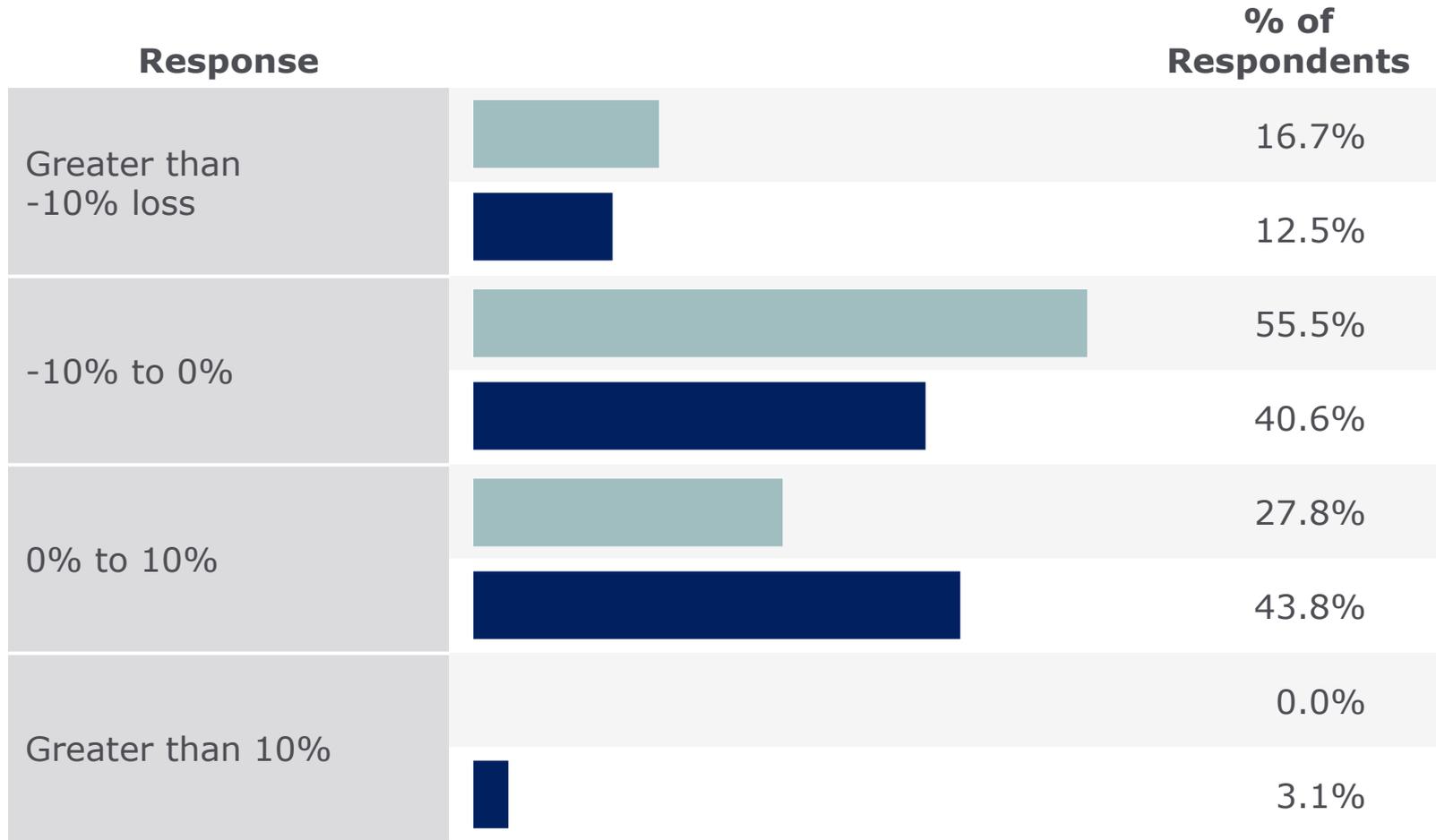


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# Q4

## What are your expectations for how the S&P 500 will perform in 2020 (% of returns expected)?



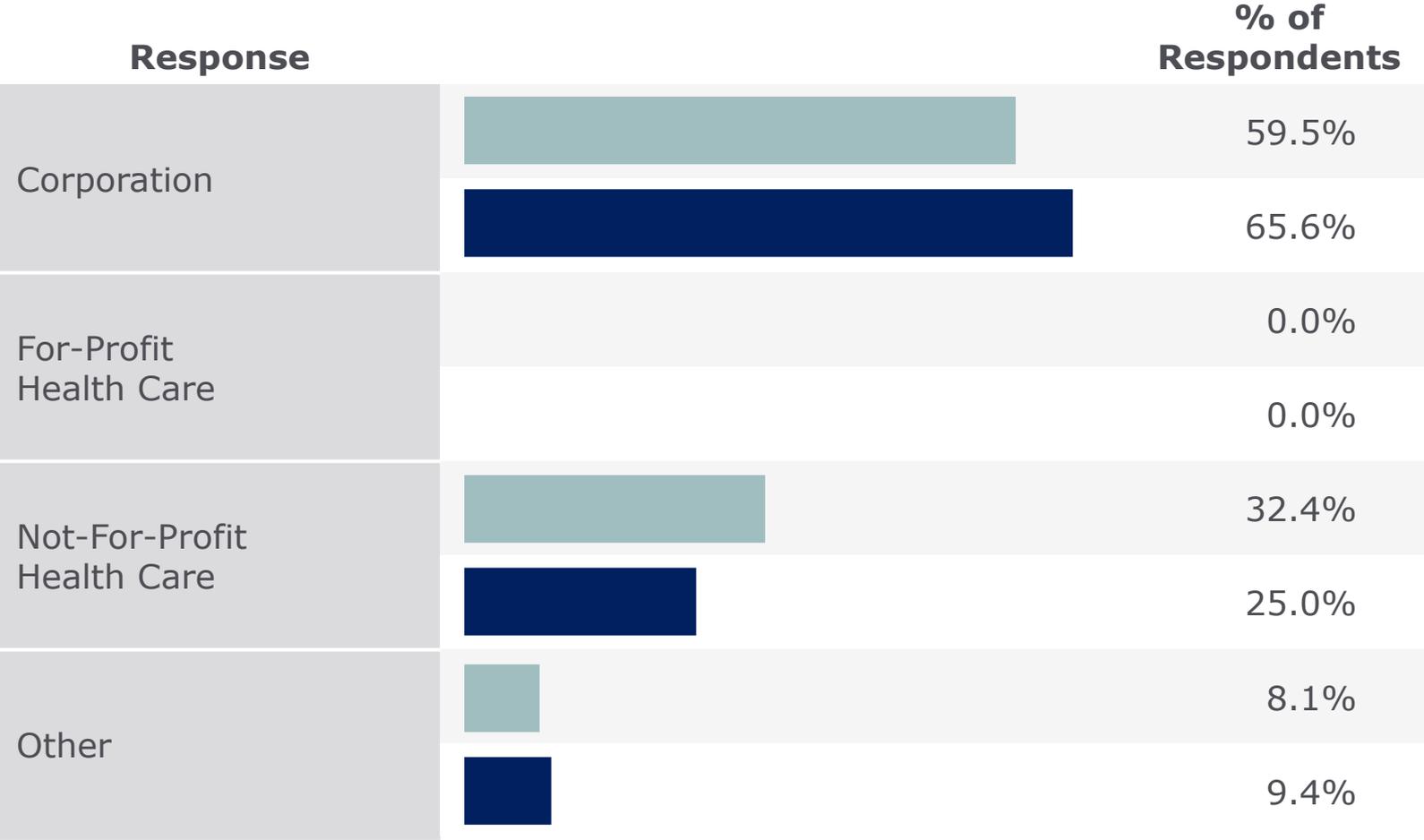
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# Q5

## What best describes the focus of your organization?



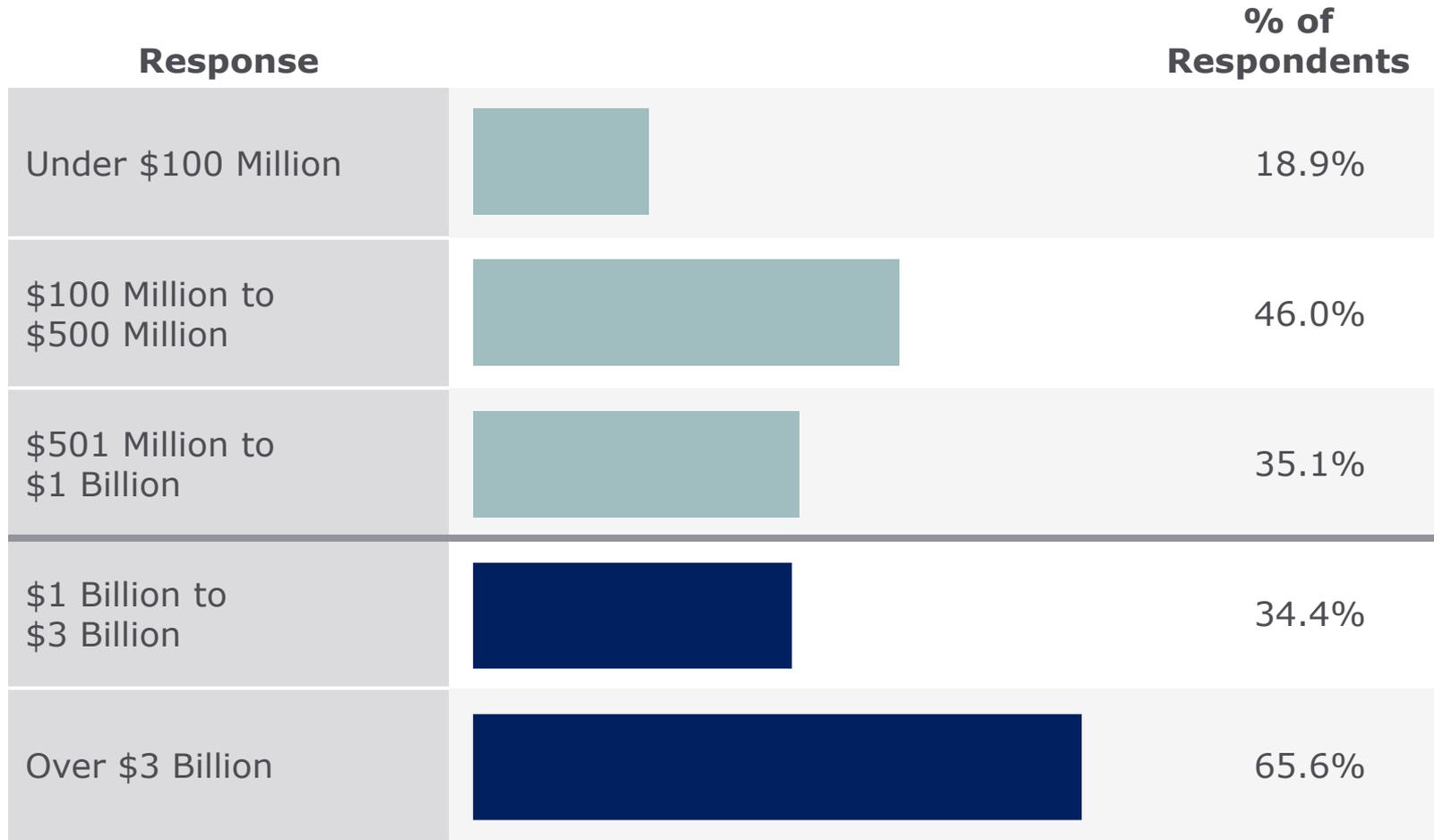
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# Q6

## What was the asset size of your defined benefit pension plan as of December 31, 2019?



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