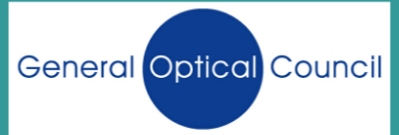
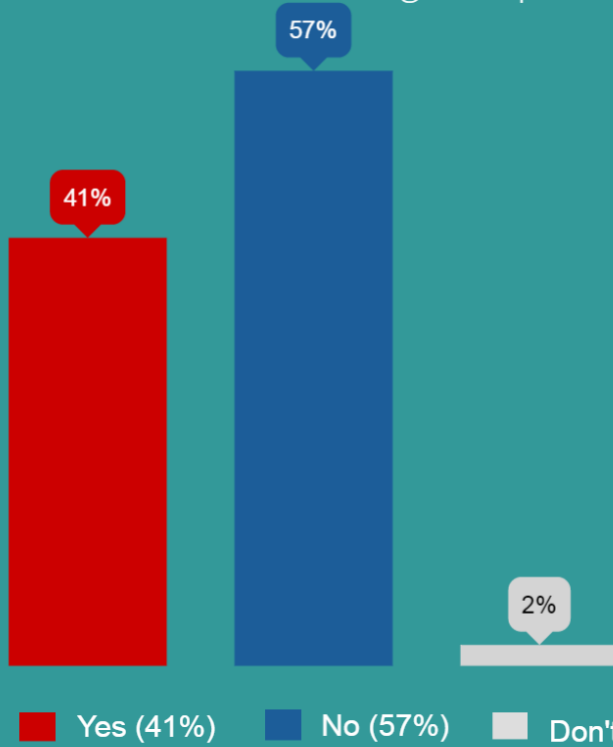


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Challenges in the workplace

Have you ever felt under pressure to sell a product or provide a service not needed by the patient?



National differences for those who felt under pressure to sell products or services that were not needed

Scotland - 38%

Wales - 35%

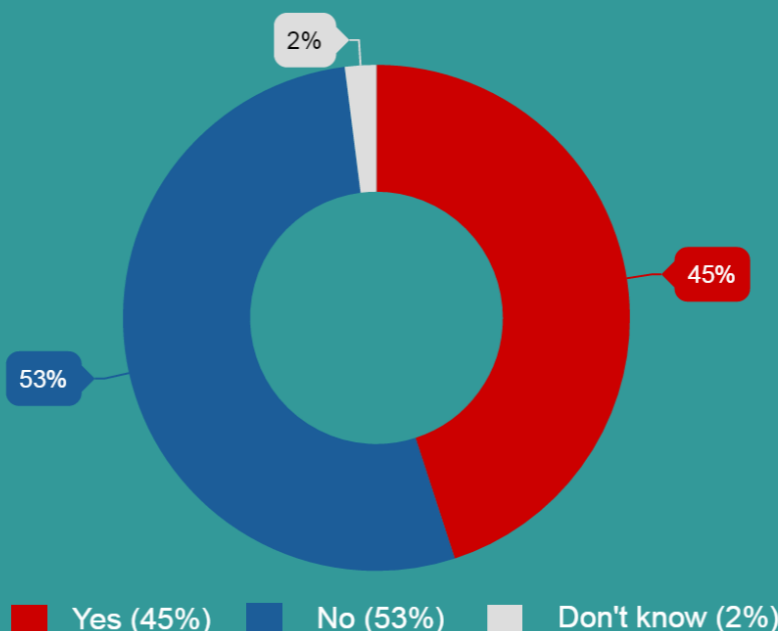
Northern Ireland - 47%

England - 42%

Locums - 63% had felt under pressure

"You are assessed by how many people buy glasses or contact lenses after seeing you. The pressure is on you."

Have you ever felt under pressure to meet commercial targets at the expense of patient care?

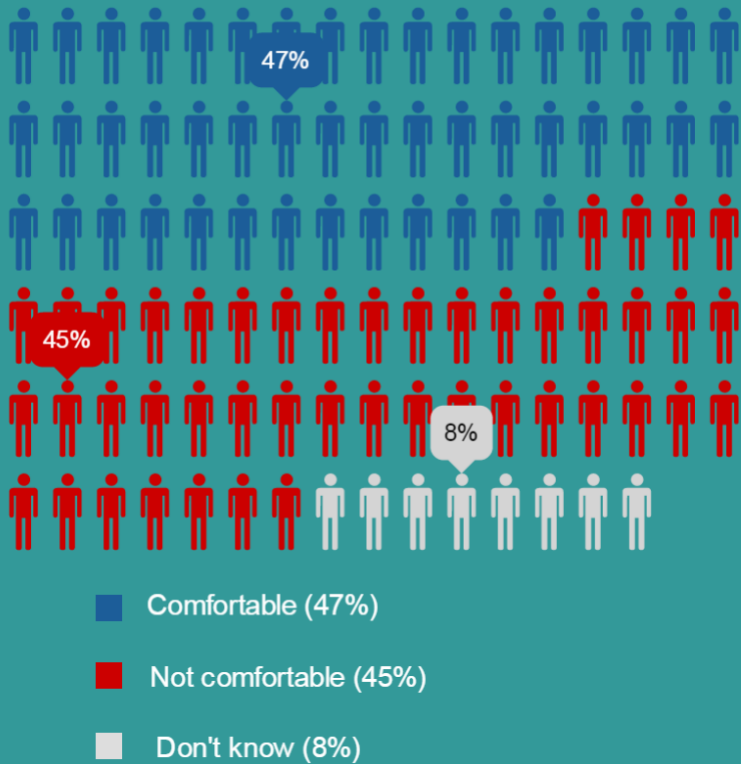


Optometrists:
52% had felt under pressure

Dispensing opticians:
35% had felt under pressure

Locums:
66% had felt under pressure

47% would feel comfortable raising a concern about poor practice with the GOC



50% feel confident that the GOC would protect their identity and interests if they raised a concern



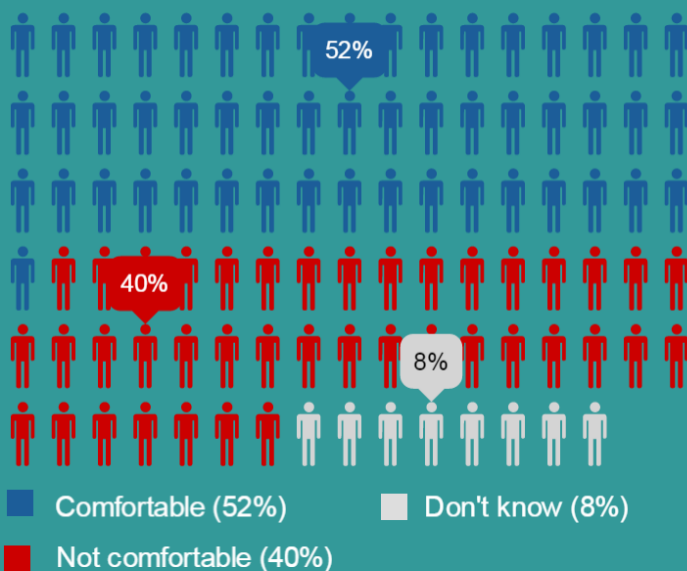
Dispensing opticians:
52% confident



Optometrists:
43% confident

"I wouldn't feel comfortable about going to the GOC. I wouldn't want to be on the receiving end myself"

52% would feel comfortable raising a concern about poor practice with their employer



Dispensing opticians:
58% would feel comfortable

Opticians:
48% would feel comfortable

For more information...

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