

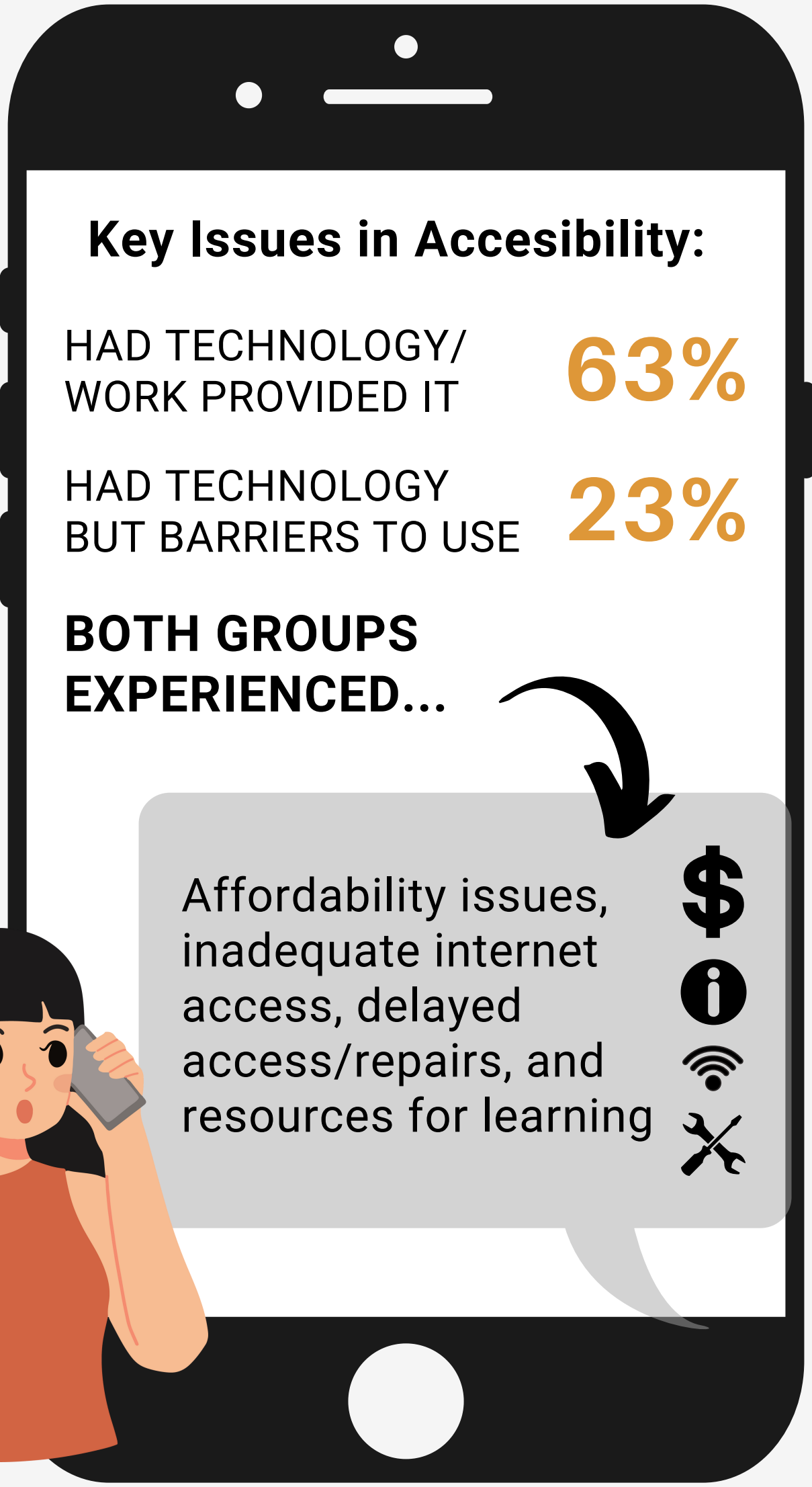
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Section 8: Technology

Results are from the 2021 COVID-19 research survey of 1077 Indigenous community members in Ottawa that described their experience of COVID-19 from March 2020 to June 2021.

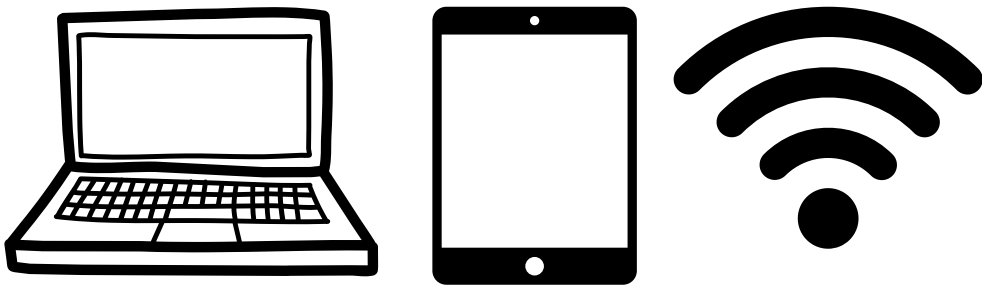
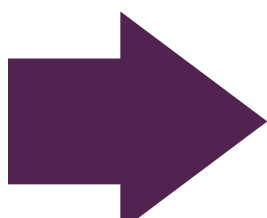


ACCESSIBILITY VS. ACCESS



Community members accessed the technology they needed through their **work, schools, school boards, and organizations**. They were grateful and appreciative.

PEOPLE RECEIVED



THE IMPORTANCE OF TECHNOLOGY

Technology helped fulfill responsibilities:

- Connect with family and friends
- Work and make money
- Go to school

Inadequate technology and the internet meant responsibilities were unfulfilled.



WHAT KIND OF INTERNET DID PEOPLE USE?



50%
HIGH SPEED
INTERNET



47%
OF PEOPLE USED
CELL PHONES
WITH DATA



30%
OF PEOPLE
USED BASIC
INTERNET



2%
DID NOT HAVE
REGULAR
ACCESS

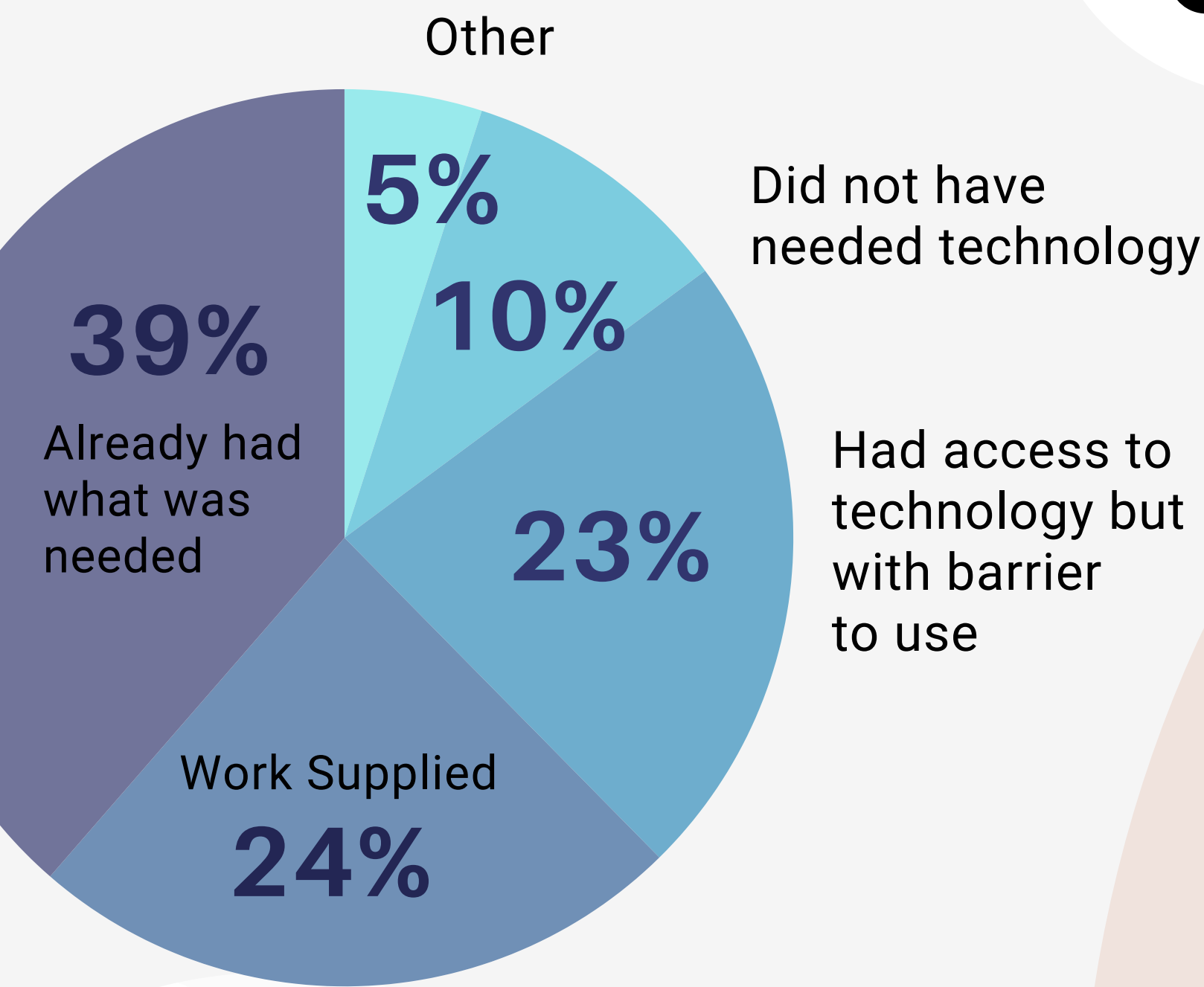


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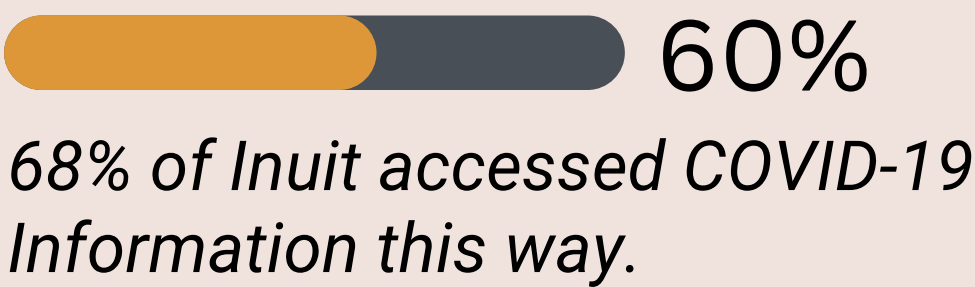
ACCESS TO TECHNOLOGY



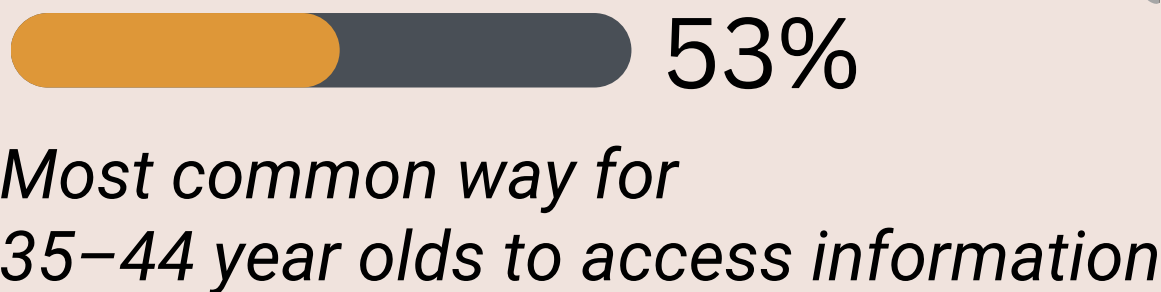
People experienced increased anxiety, depression, and sleep issues.

HOW PEOPLE ACCESSED INFORMATION ABOUT COVID-19

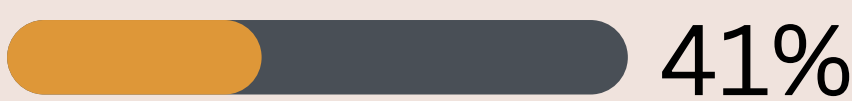
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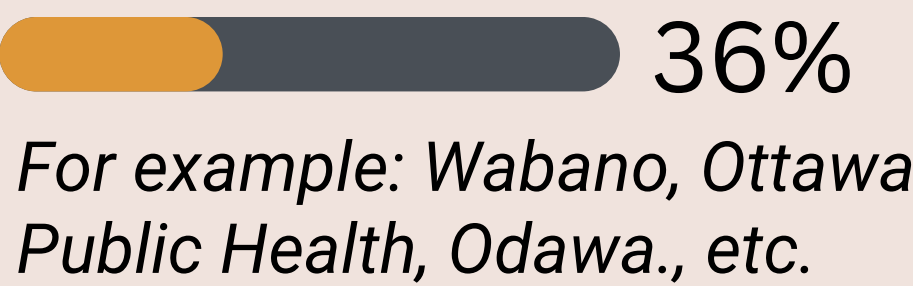
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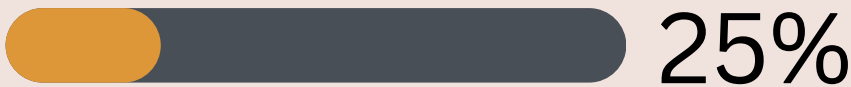
TV AND RADIO



ORGANIZATIONAL WEBSITES



NEWSPAPERS



51%

Used some form of video conferencing to communicate with others

16%

Had technology but had barriers to learning it

GENDER DIFFERENCES

Men indicated they had less access to technology they needed and accessed COVID-19 information less than women.



“We also bought walkie-talkies for my son's best friend and him that they use together to talk. Very fun way to chat!”

