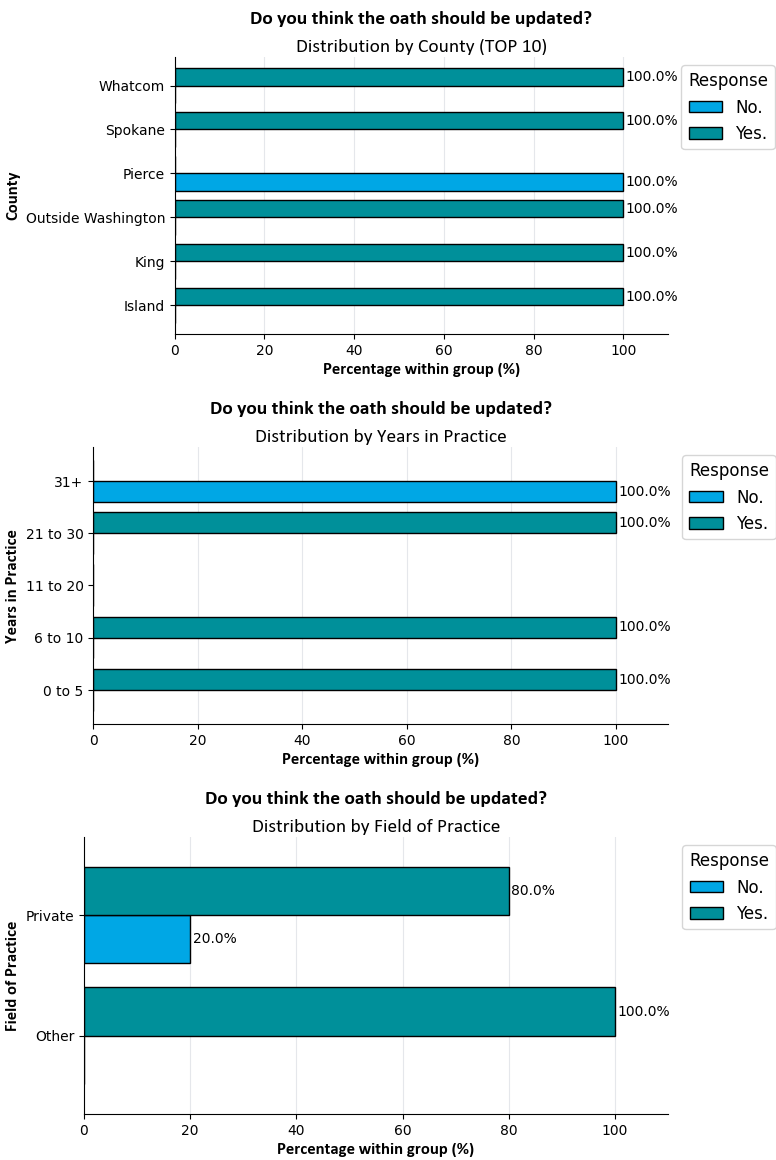


LLLT Oath Survey Analysis

This report visualizes each survey question of the LLLT Oath Survey by showing how responses vary according to the respondent’s years in practice, field of practice, and county.

All visualizations and analyses in this report are based solely on responses that were submitted; any questions that were skipped or left unanswered are not included in the visualizations or quantitative summaries. Additionally, all qualitative response summaries were generated using Microsoft Copilot.

Q1



Q2

Summary of Responses: Anticipated Adverse Impacts

- Unanticipated or unintended consequences
- Deterioration of core values

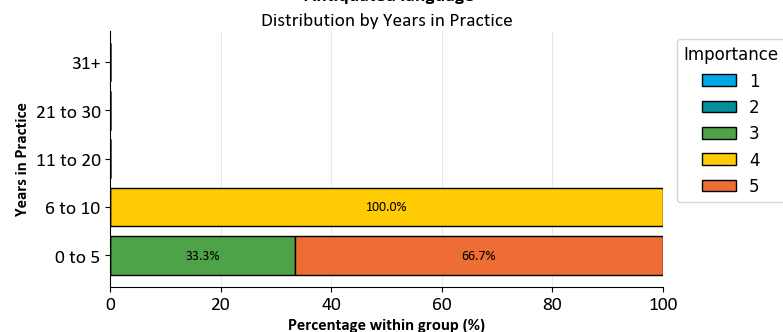
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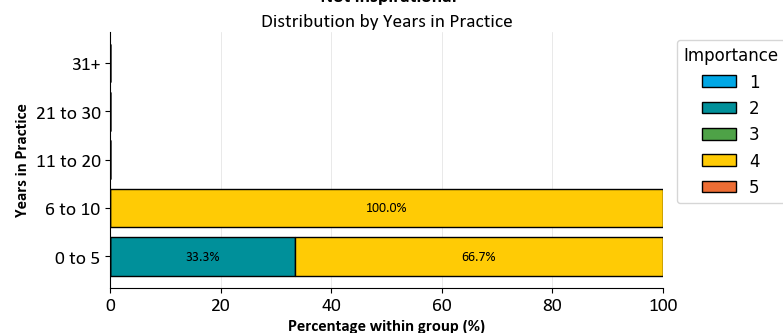
- To uphold the constitutions of the United States and the State of Washington

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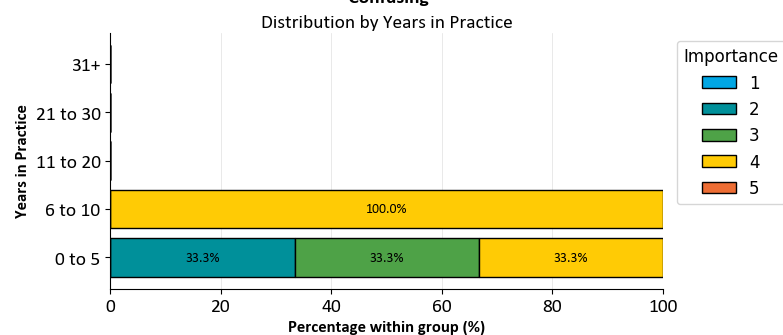
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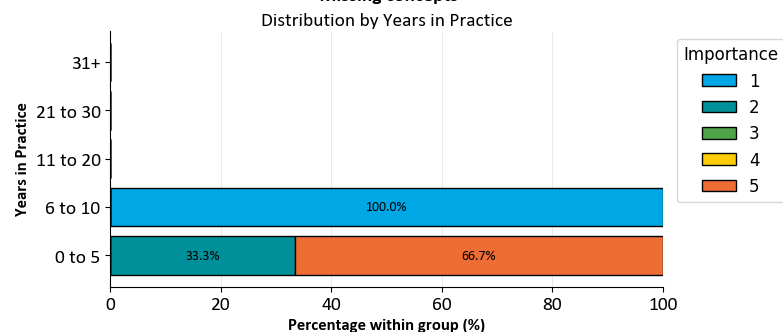
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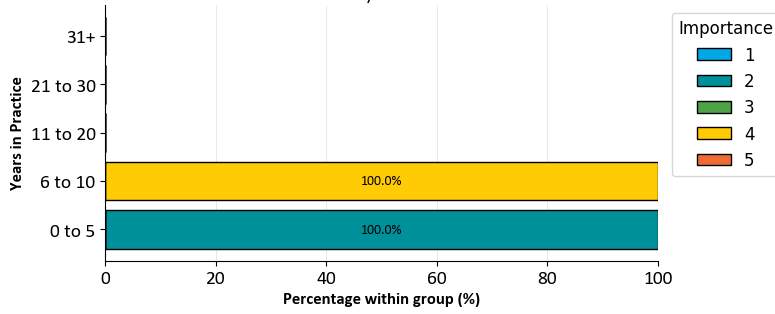


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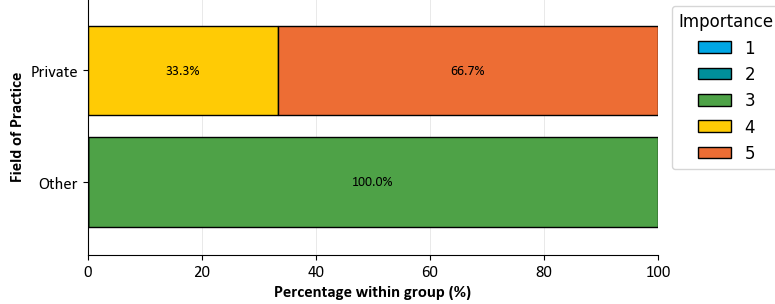
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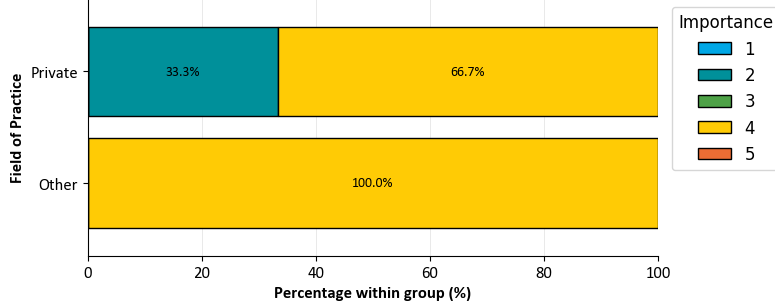
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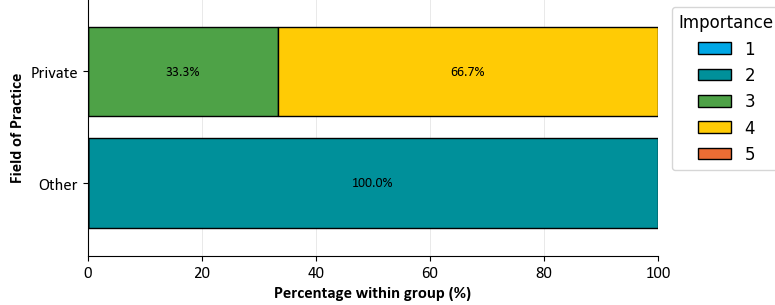
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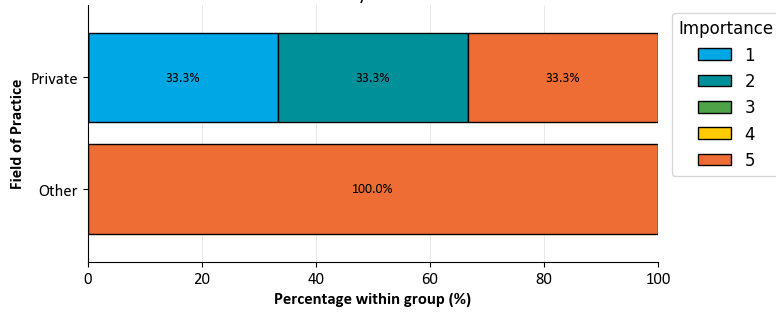
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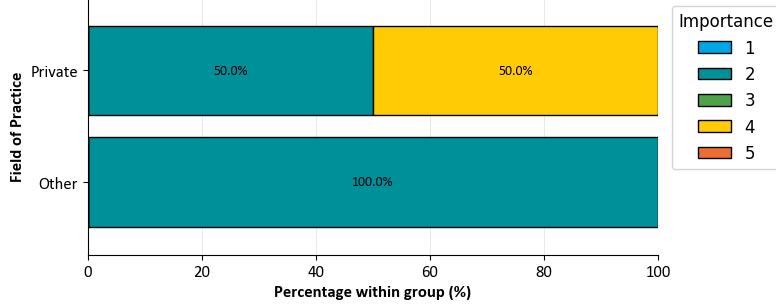
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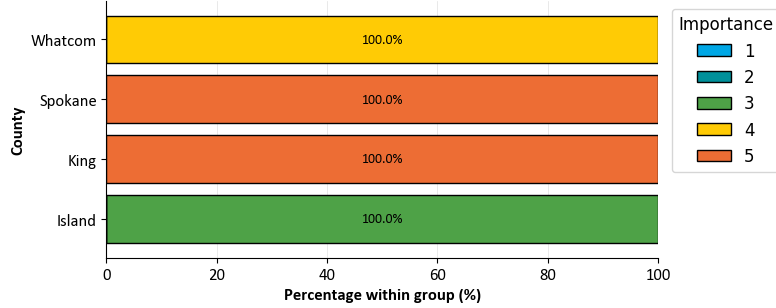
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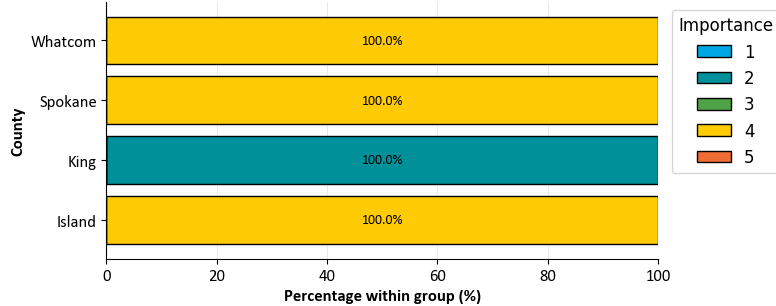
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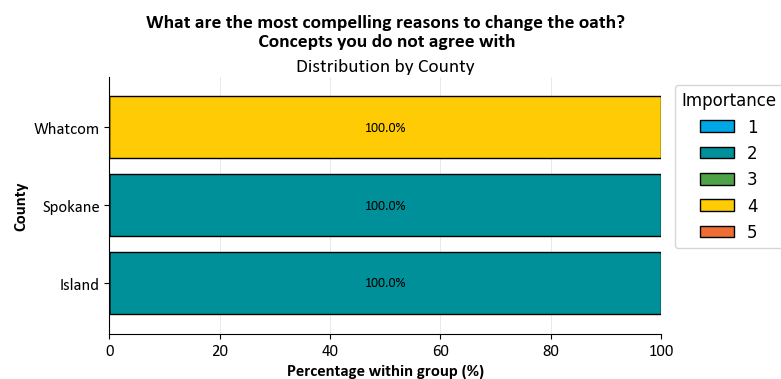
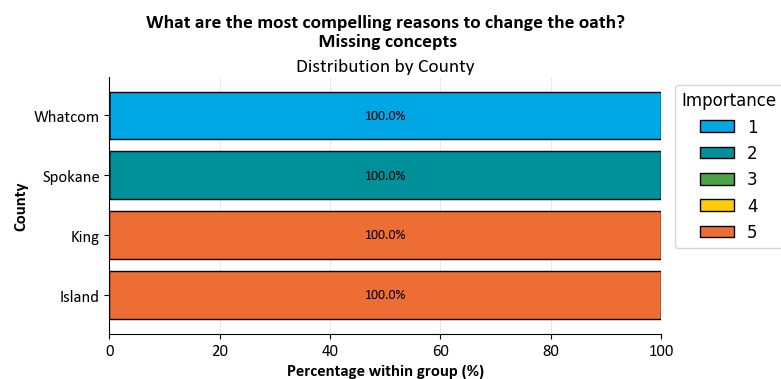
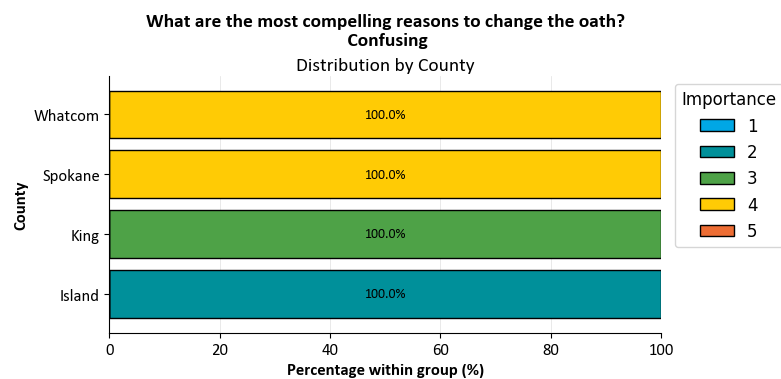


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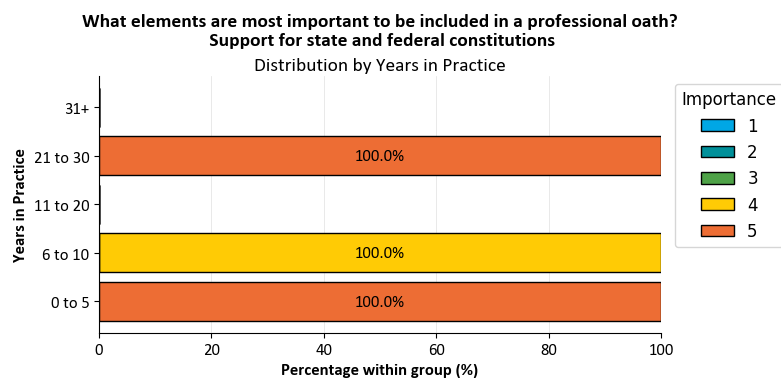




Summary of “Other” Responses: Reasons to Change the Oath

- **Clarify confusing or contradictory language**
 - Paragraph 7 appears to require rejecting people based on their “personality.”
 - Paragraph 8 seems to imply accepting clients even when the attorney does not support the cause.
 - These sections create confusion about the voluntary nature of the attorney–client relationship.
- **Desire for consistency across legal professionals**
 - Some respondents believe all licensed legal professionals should share the same oath.
 - View that attorneys should not be considered “more important” than LLLTs or other licensees.

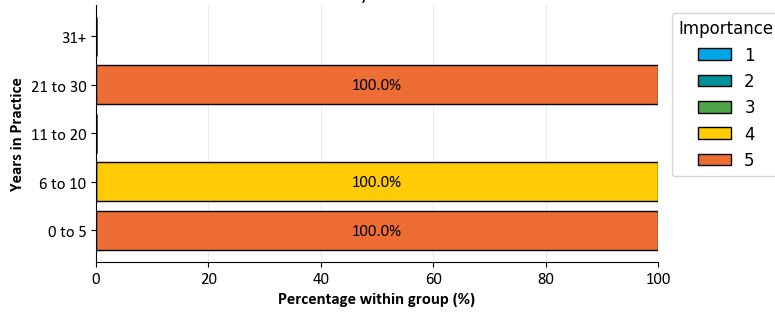
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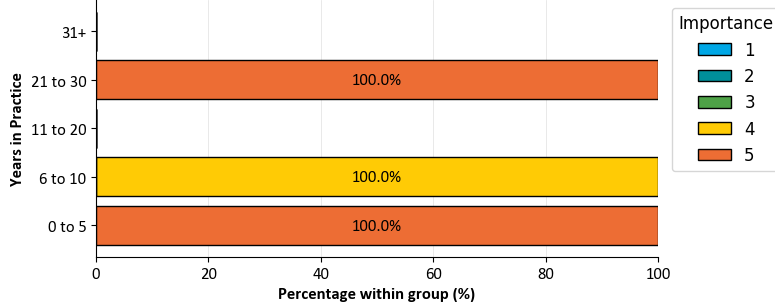
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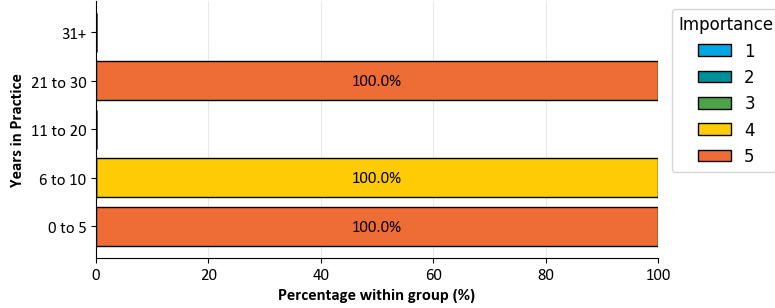
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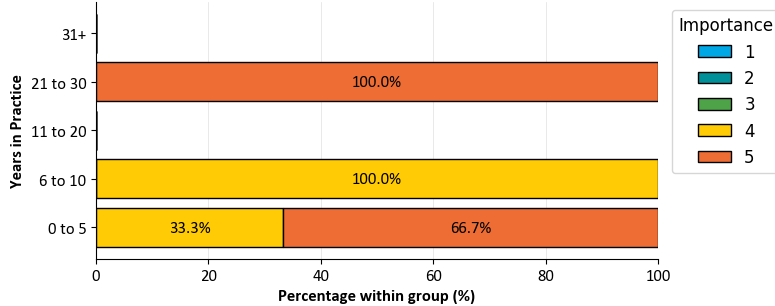
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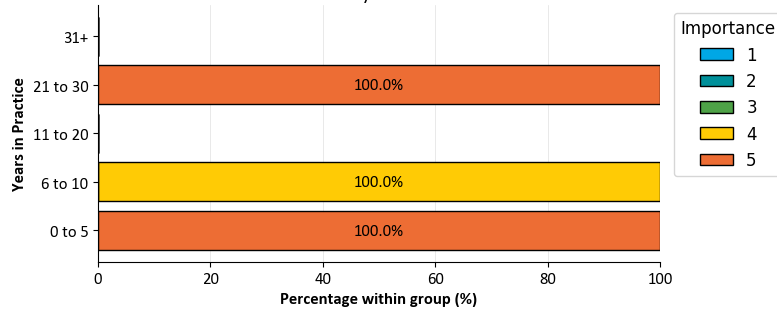
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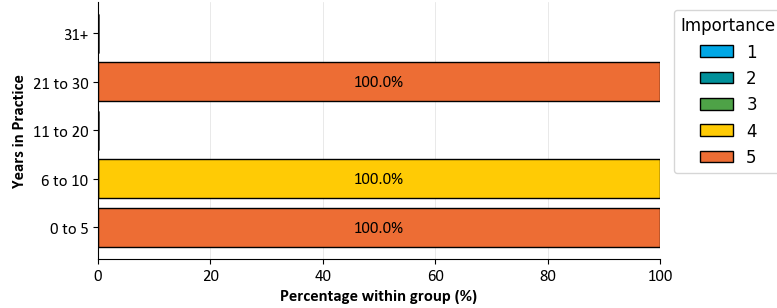
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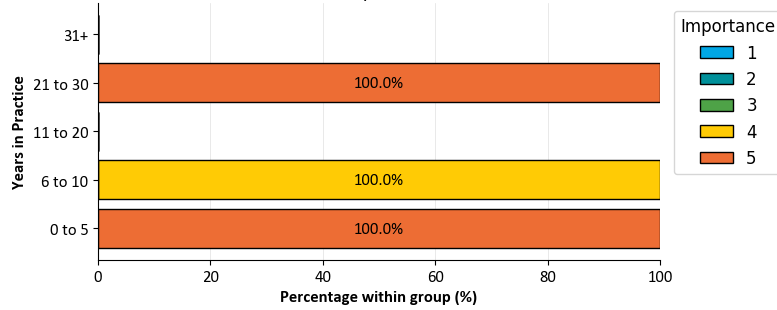
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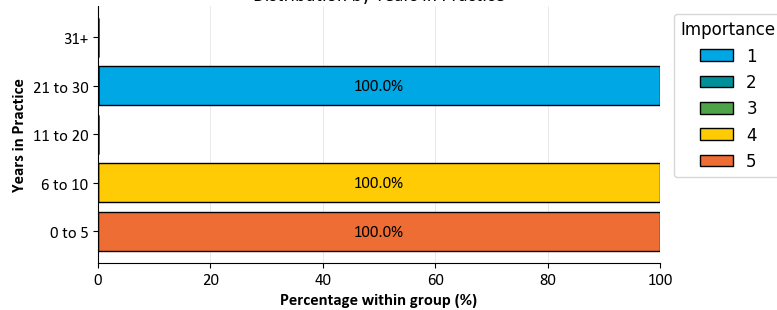
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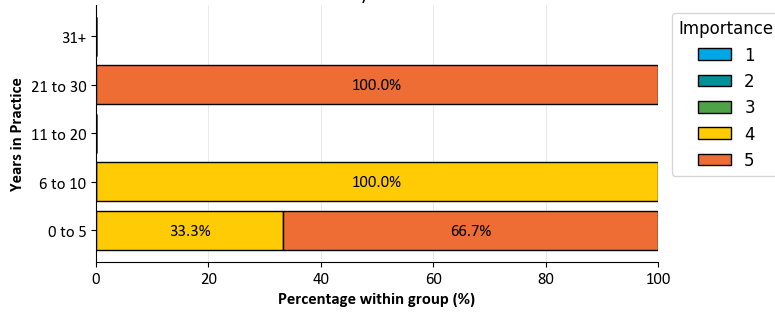
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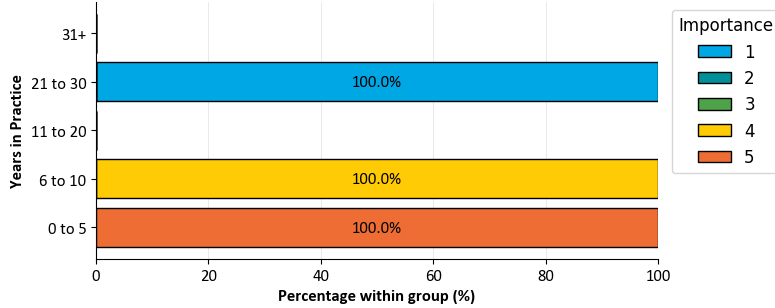
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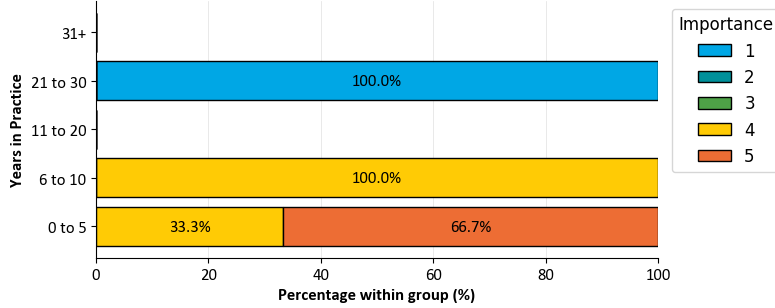
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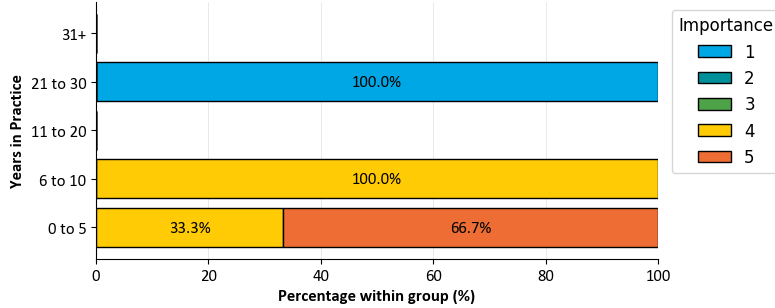
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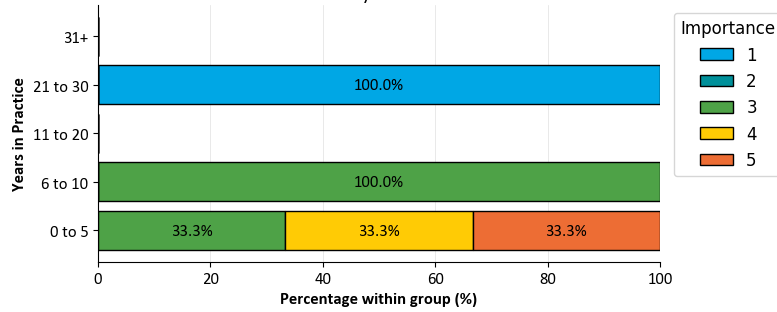
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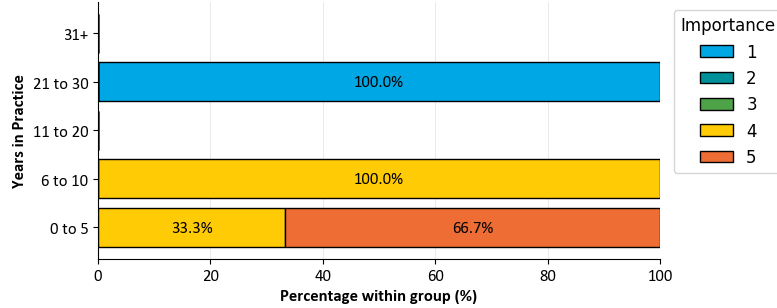
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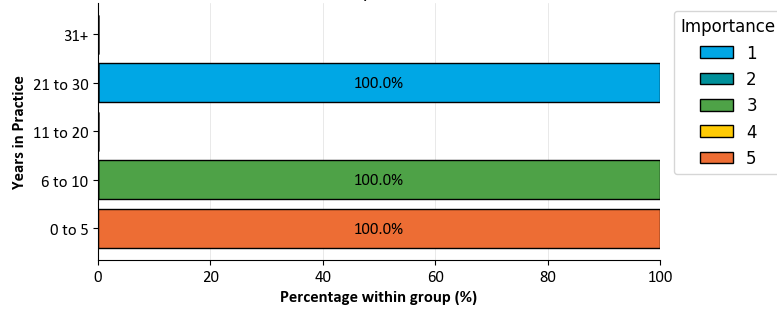
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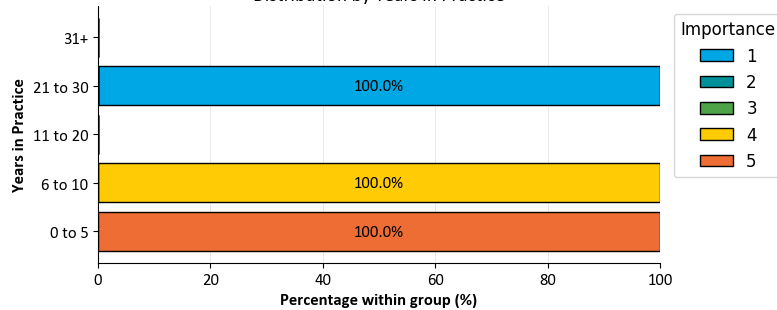
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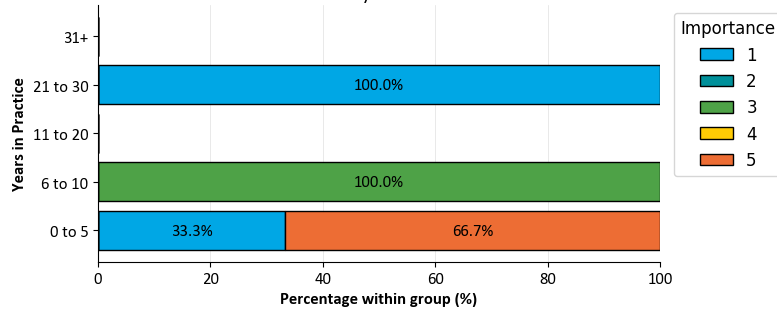
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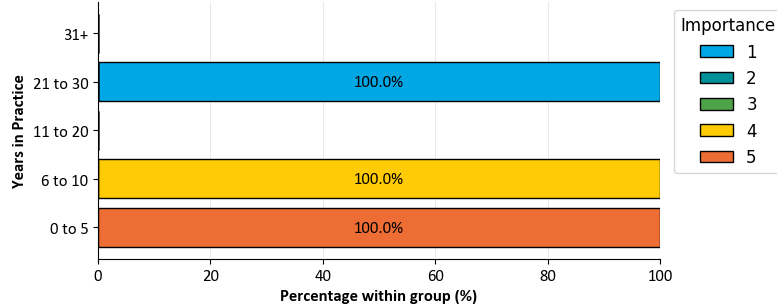
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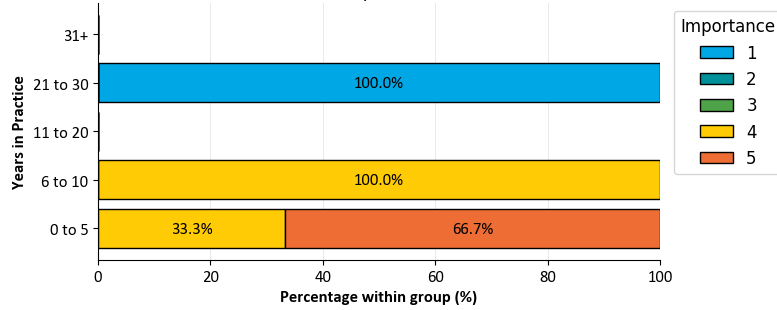
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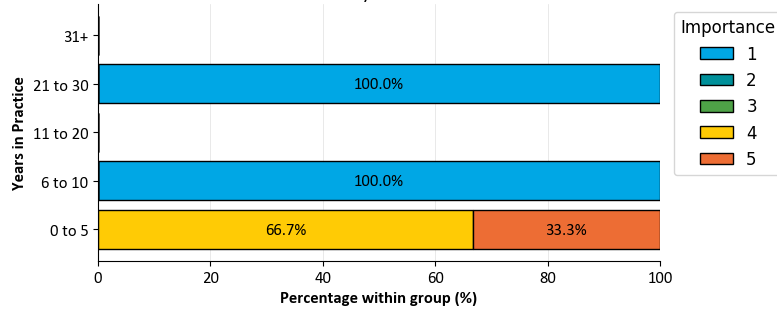
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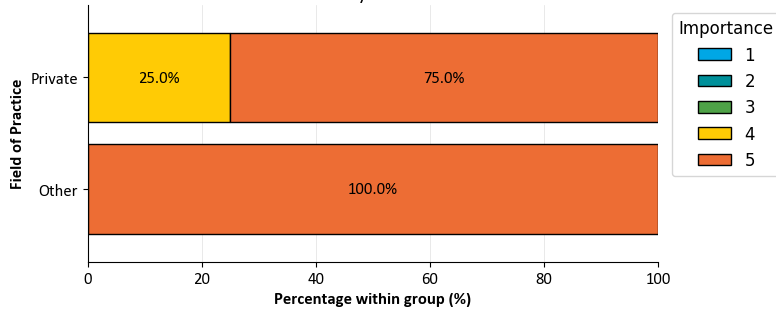
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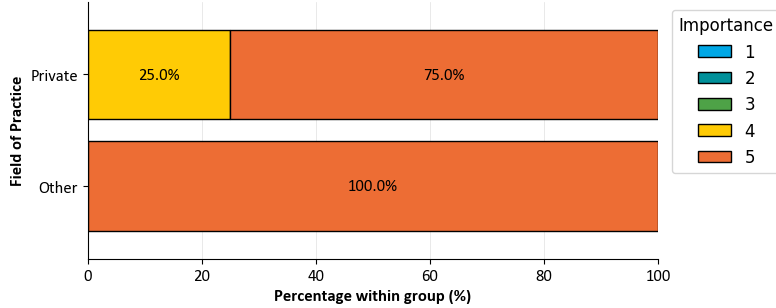
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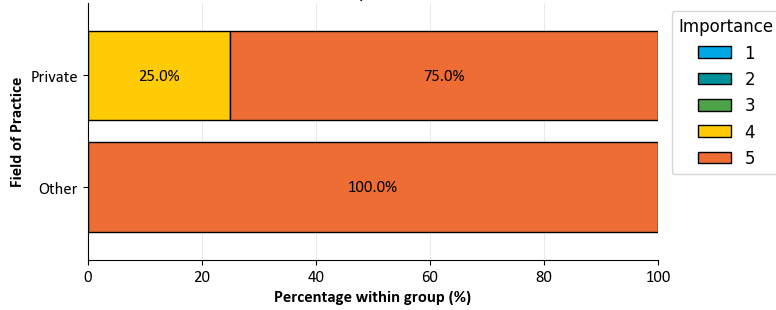
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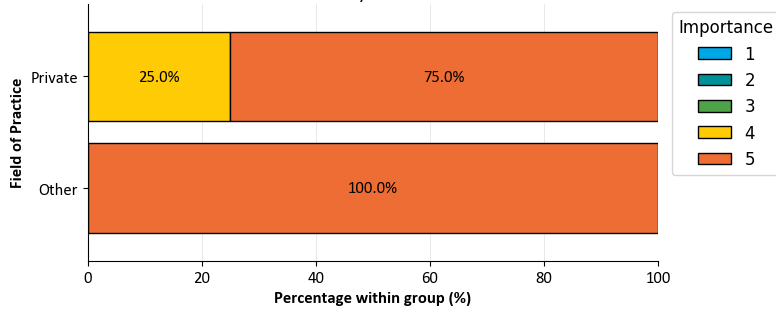
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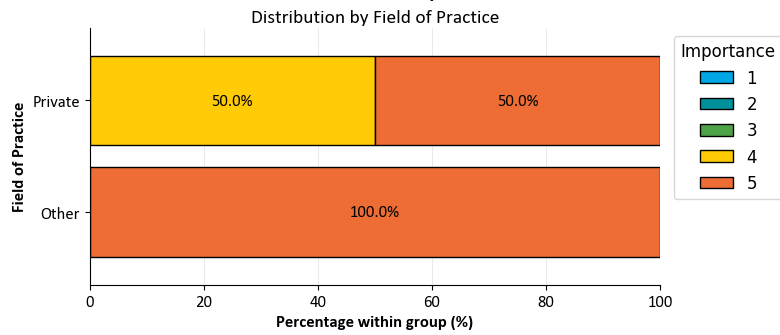


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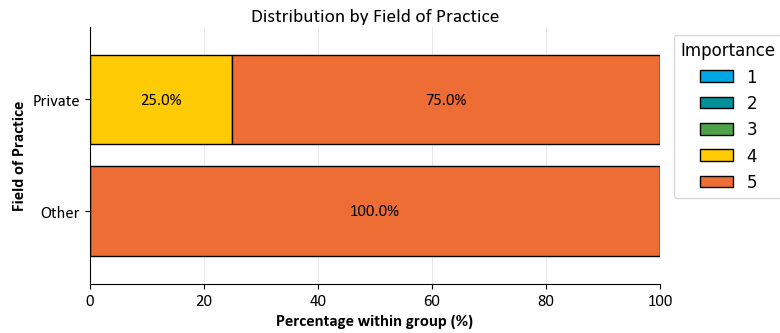
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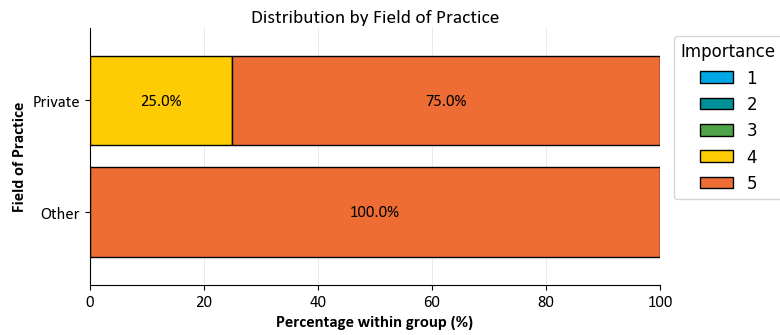
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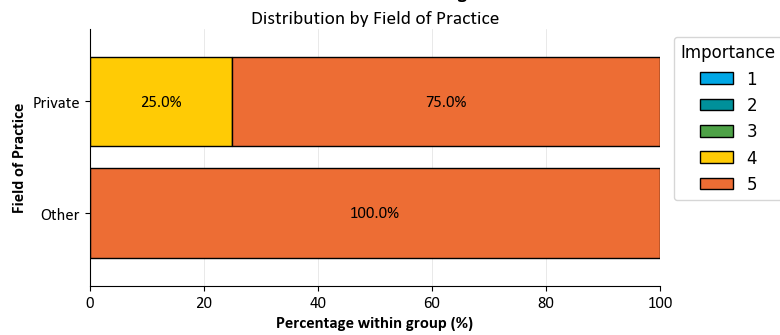
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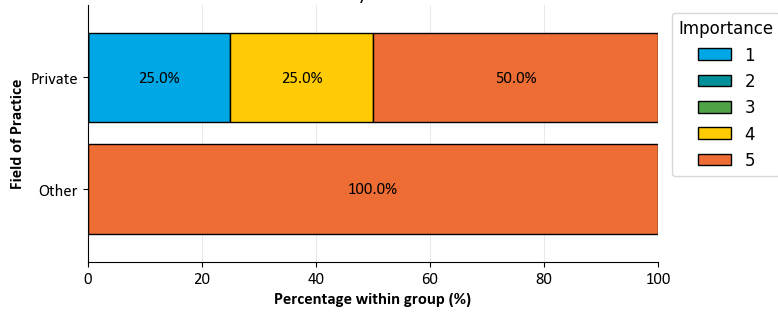
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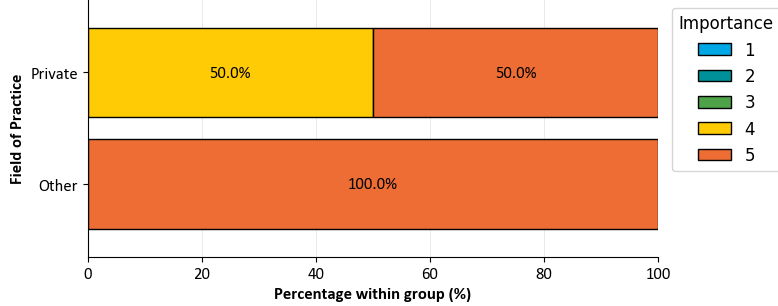
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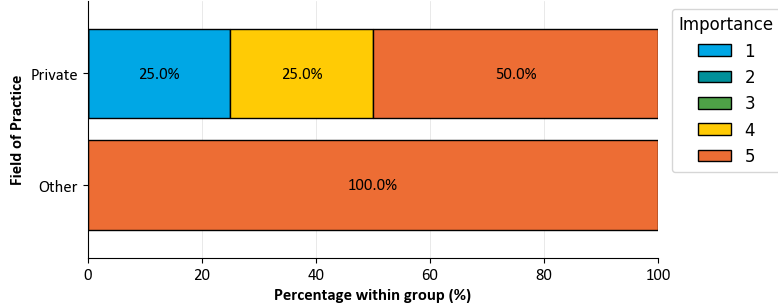
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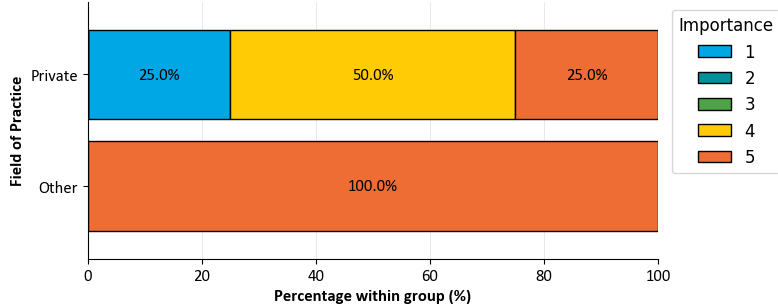
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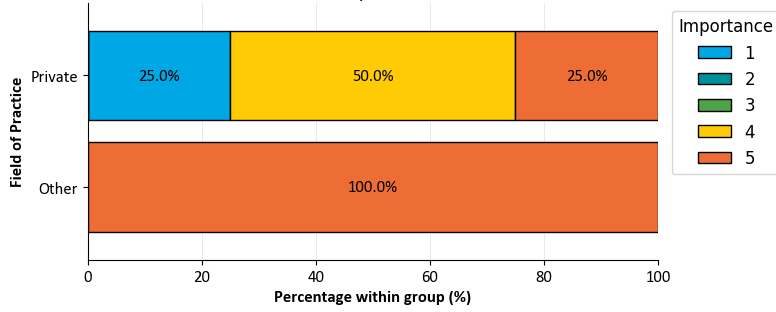
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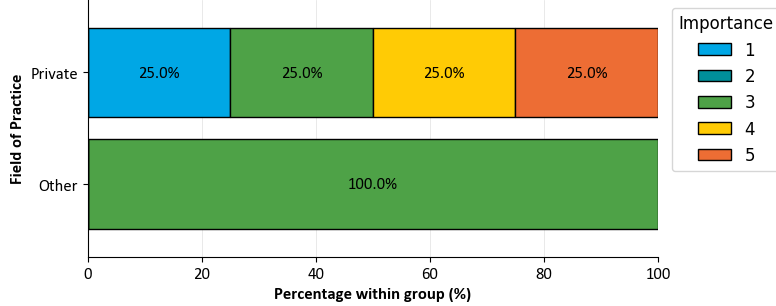
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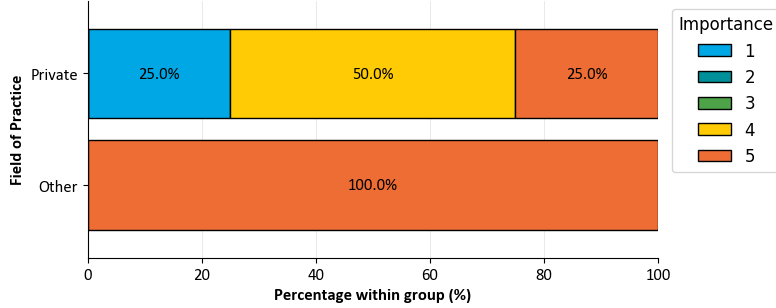
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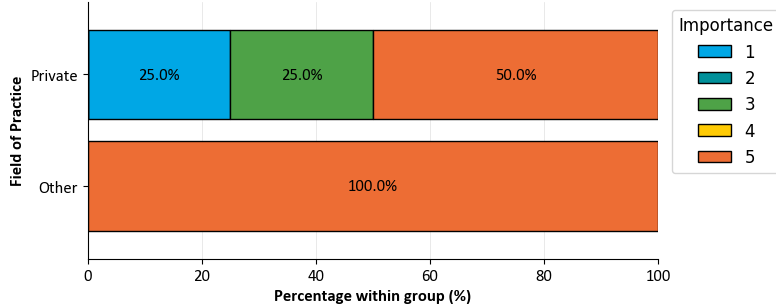
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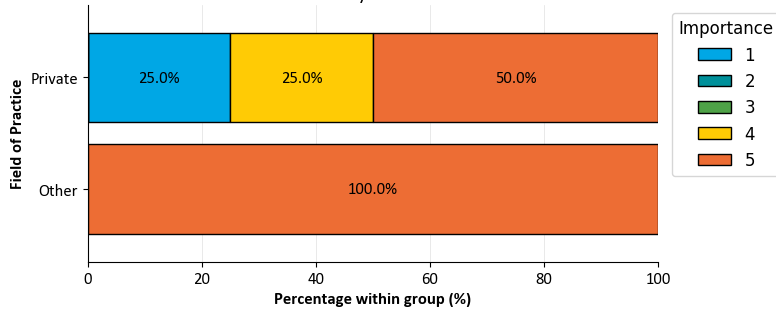
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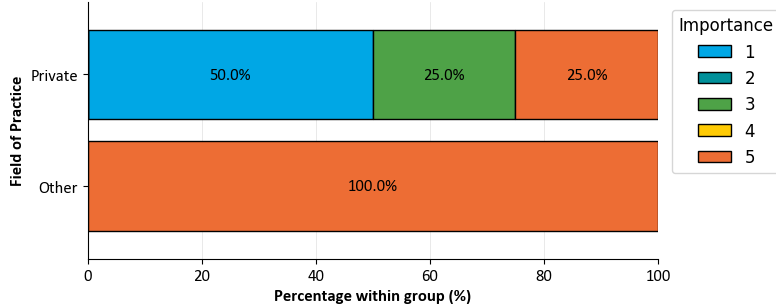
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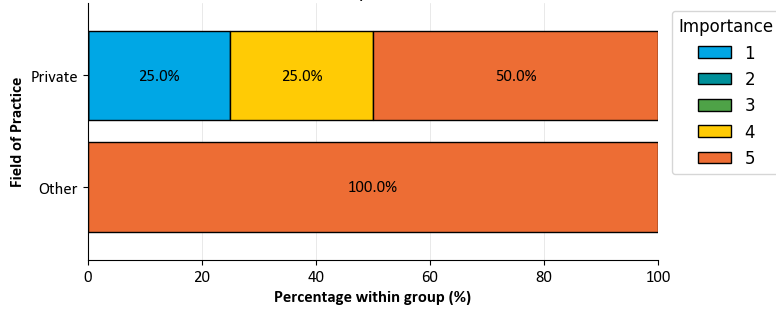
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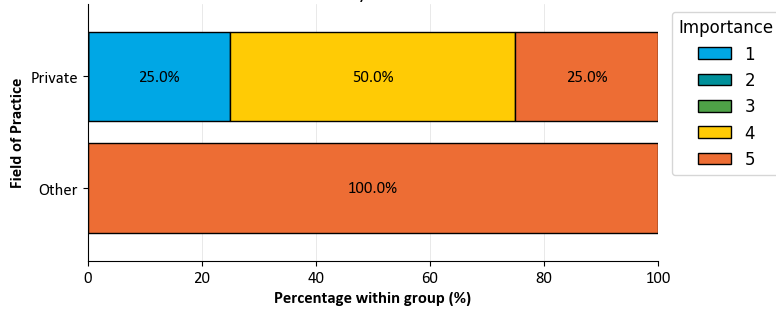
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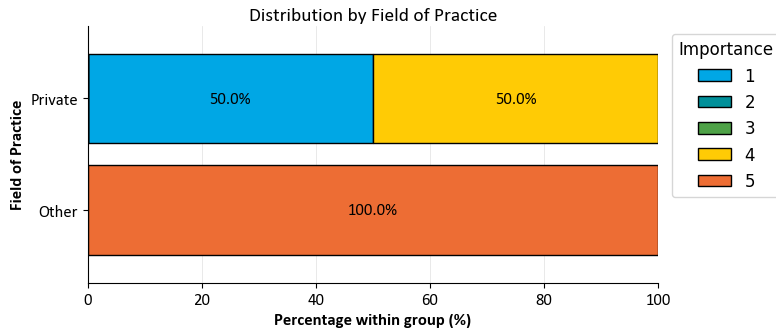
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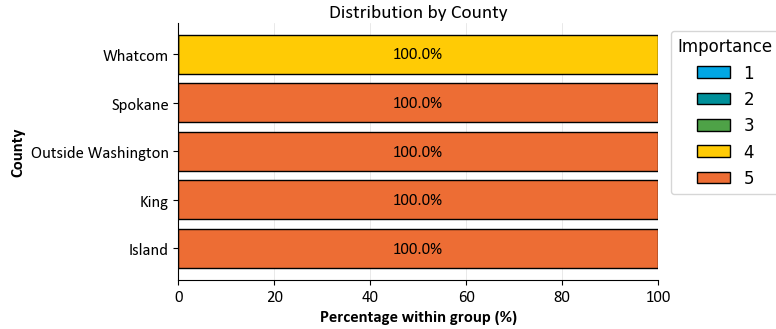
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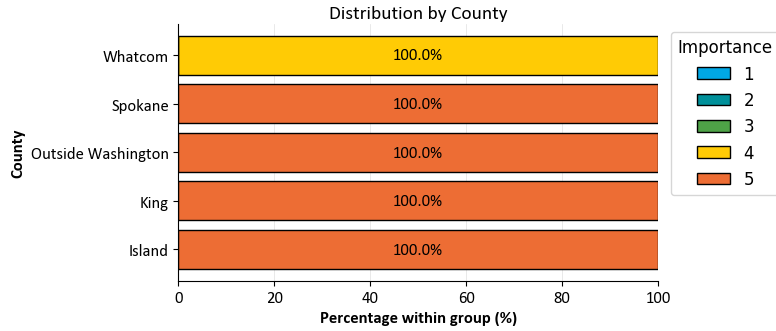
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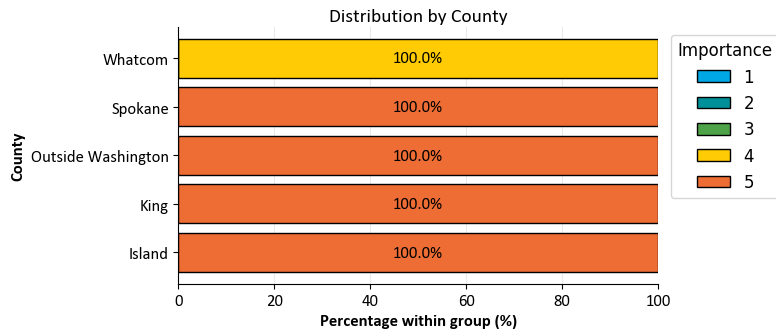
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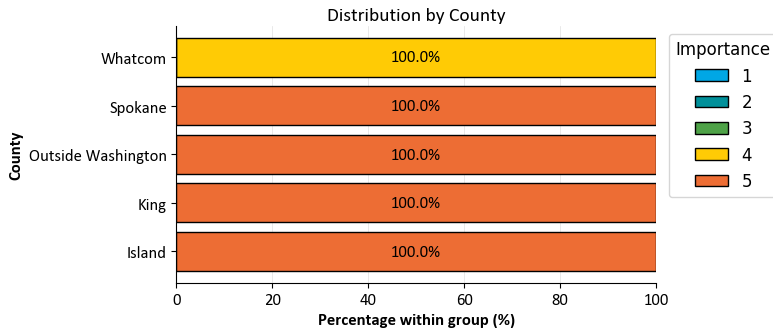
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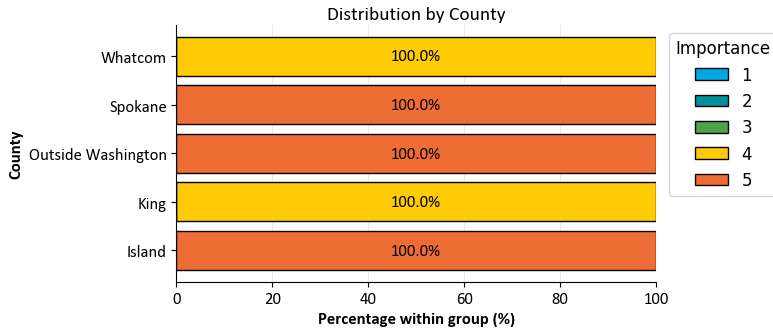
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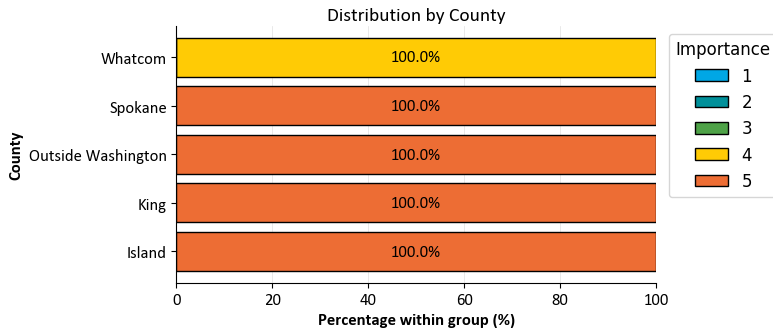
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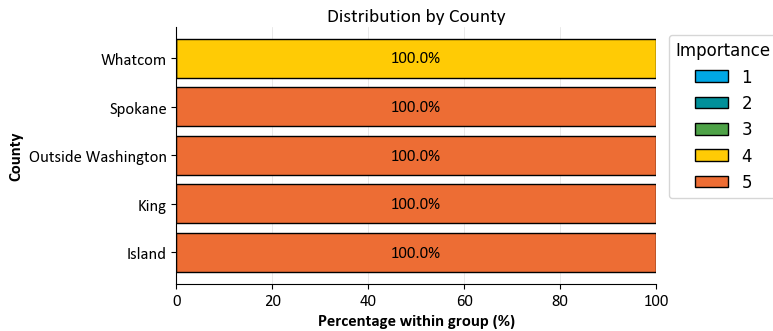
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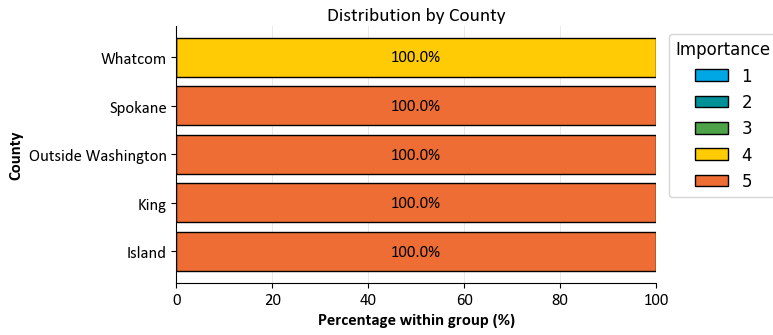
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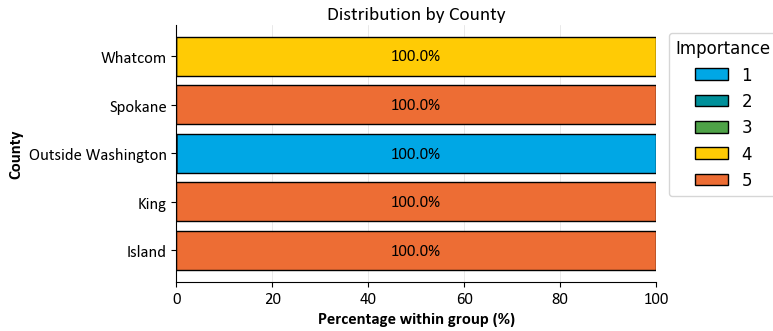
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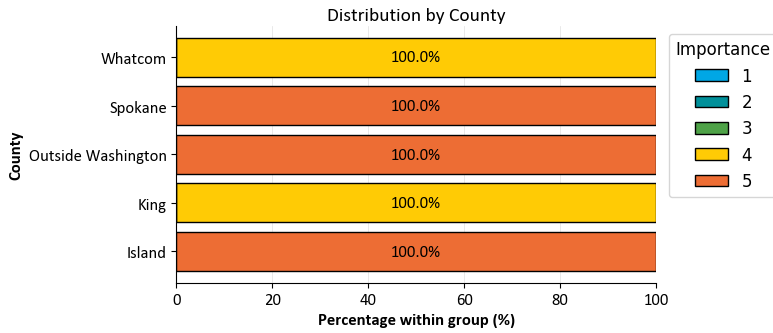
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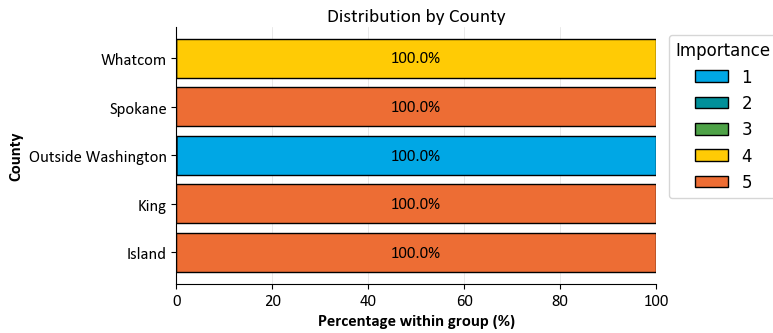
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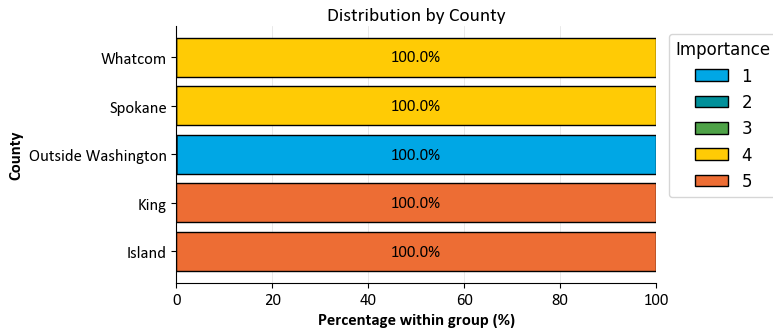
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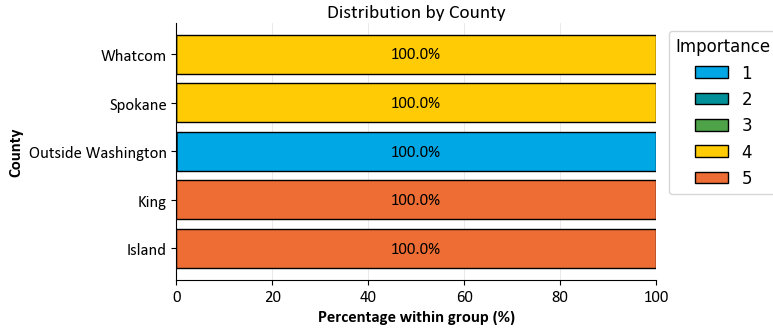
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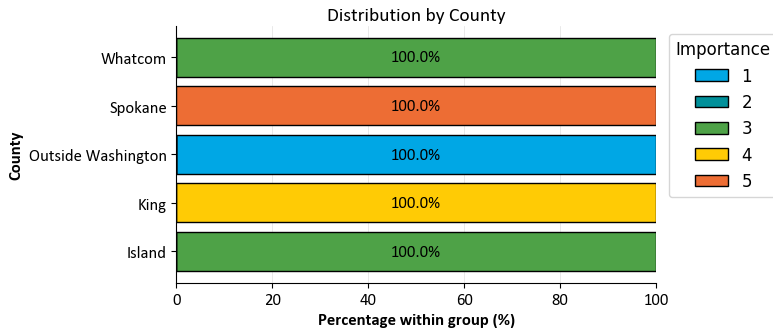
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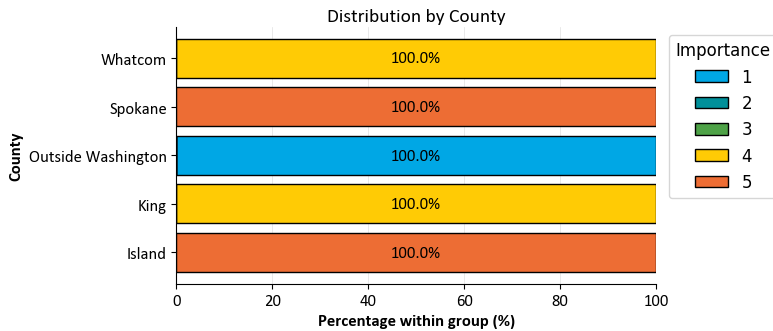
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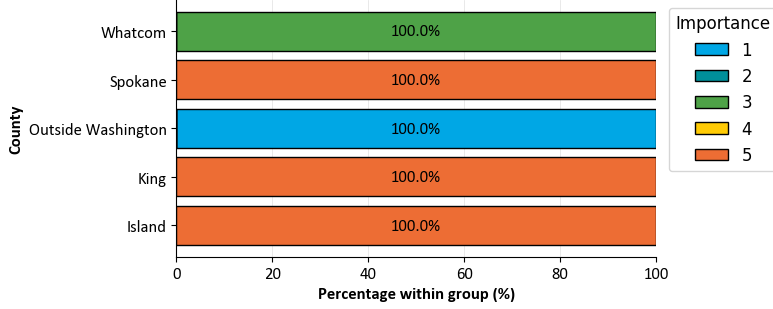
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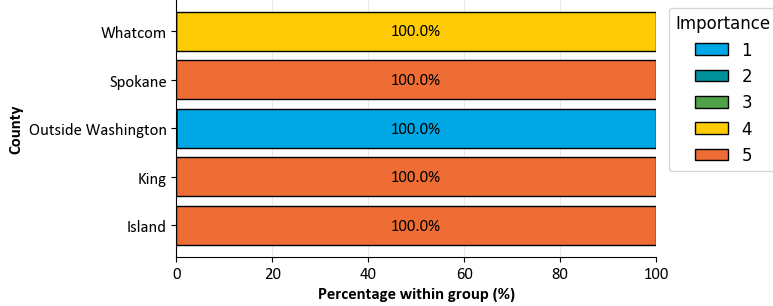
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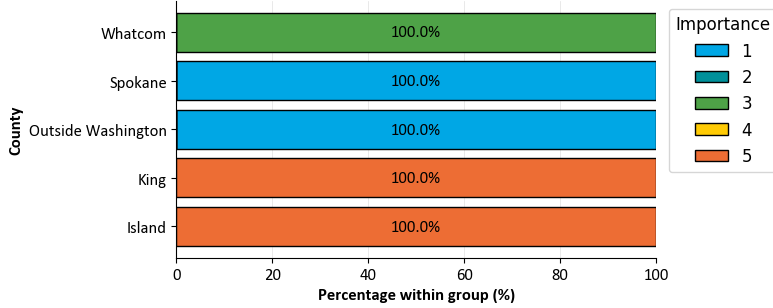
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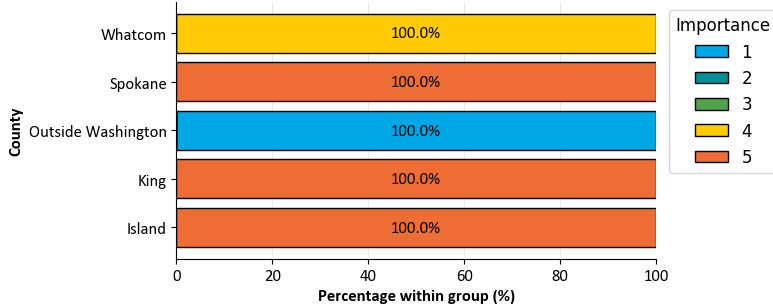
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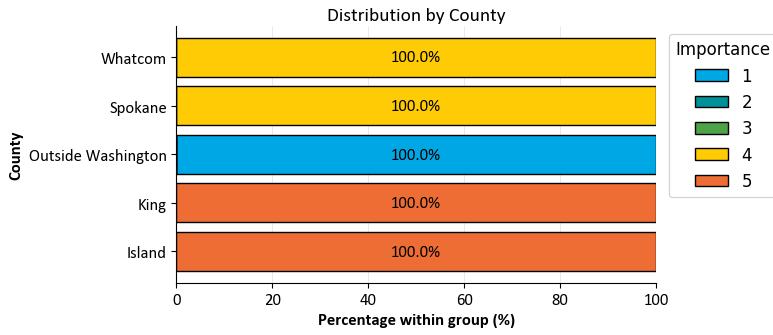
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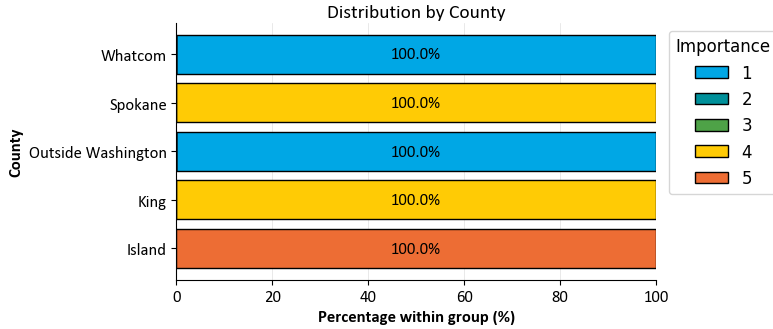
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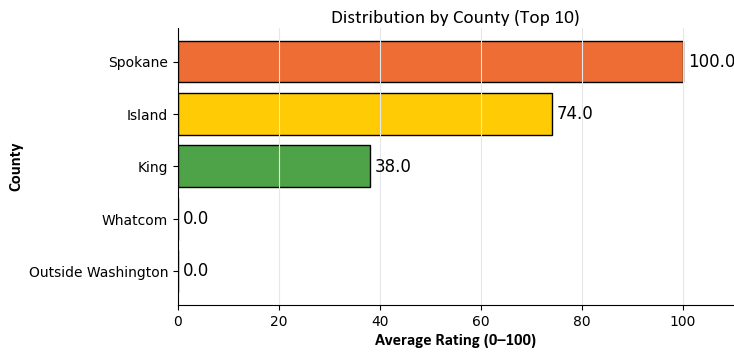


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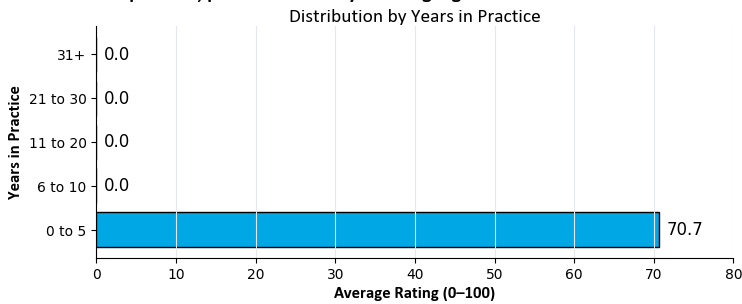


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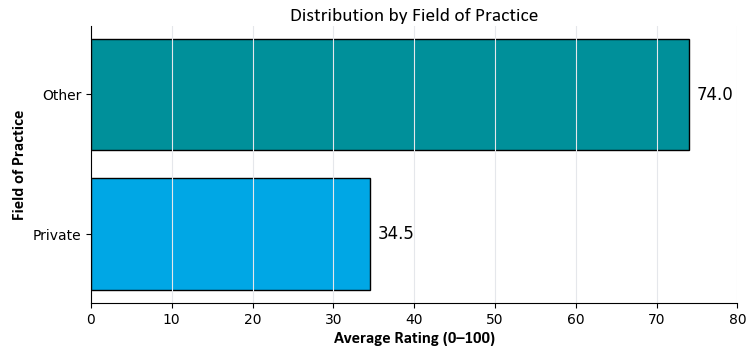
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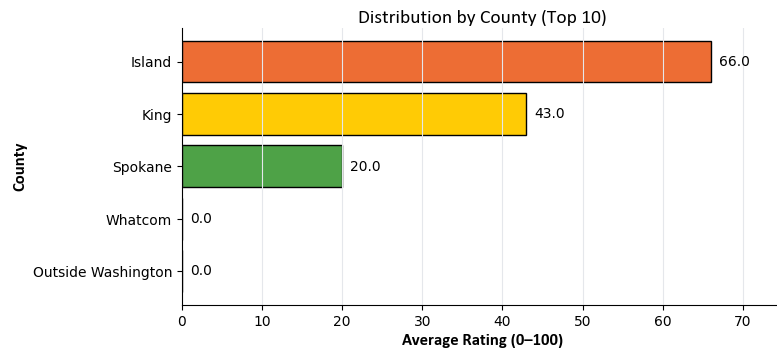


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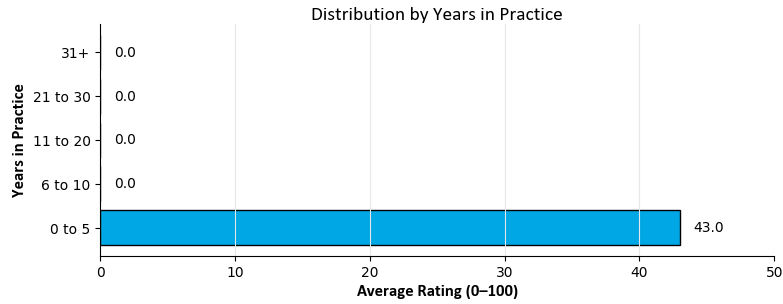


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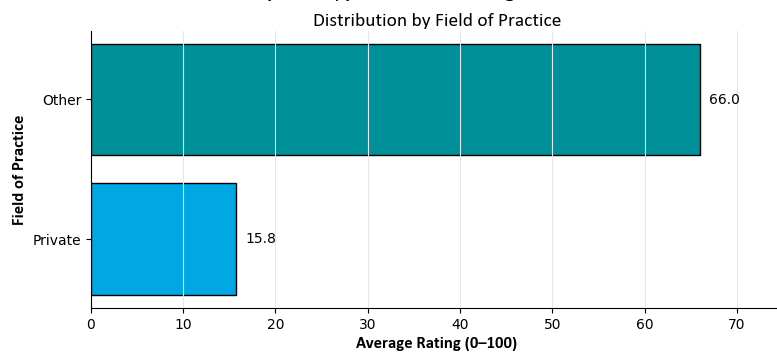
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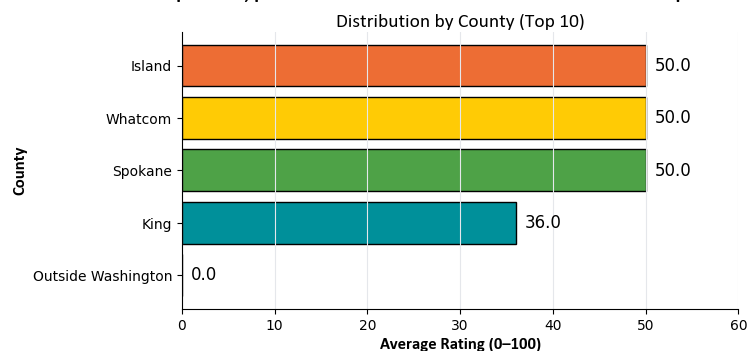


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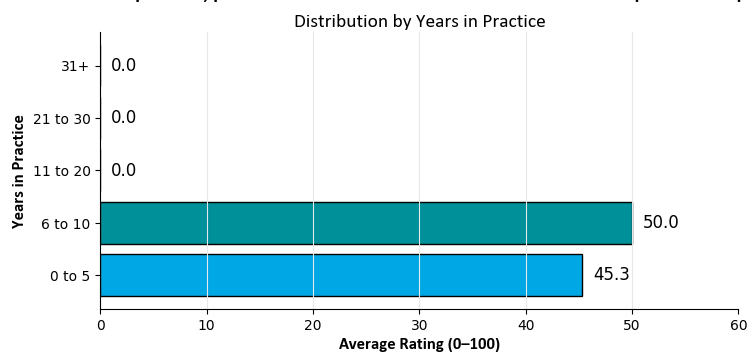


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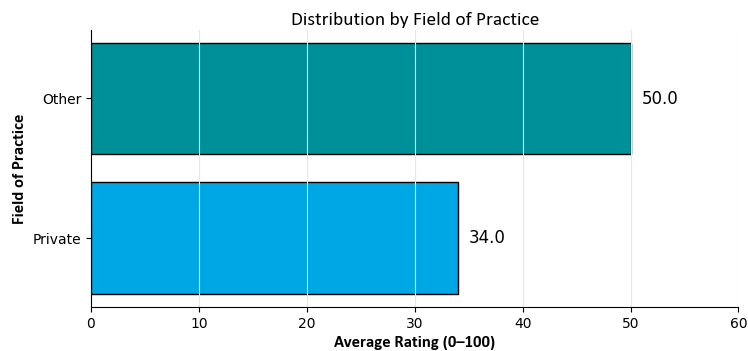
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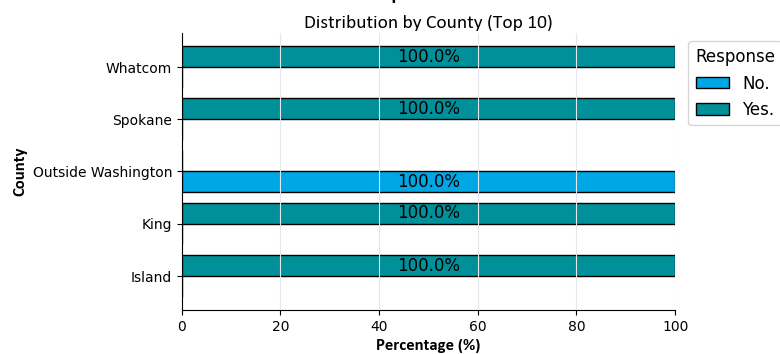


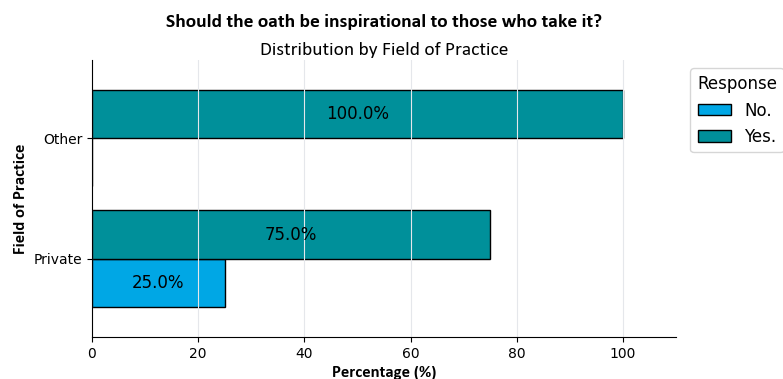
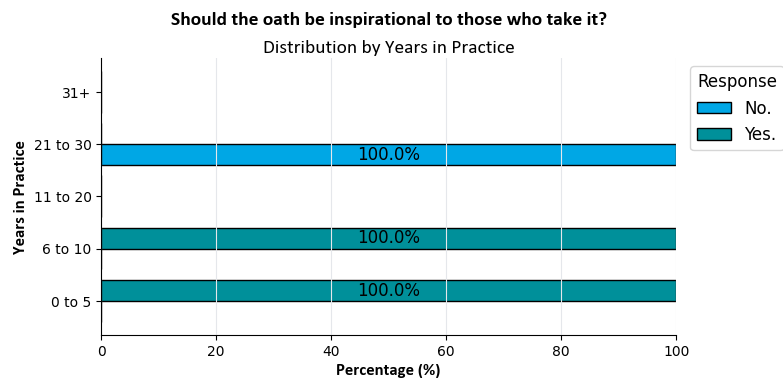
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Should the oath be inspirational to those who take it?



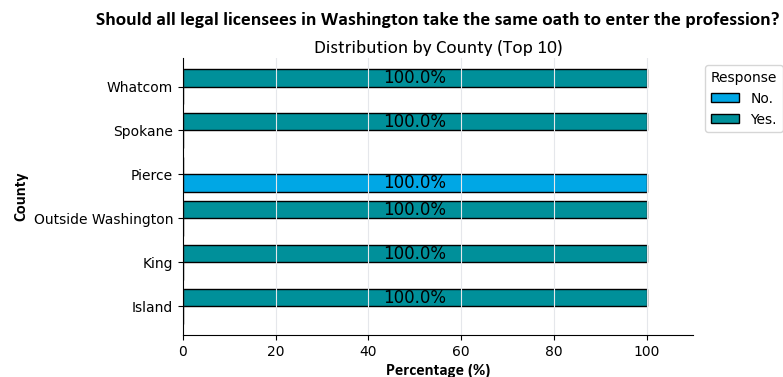


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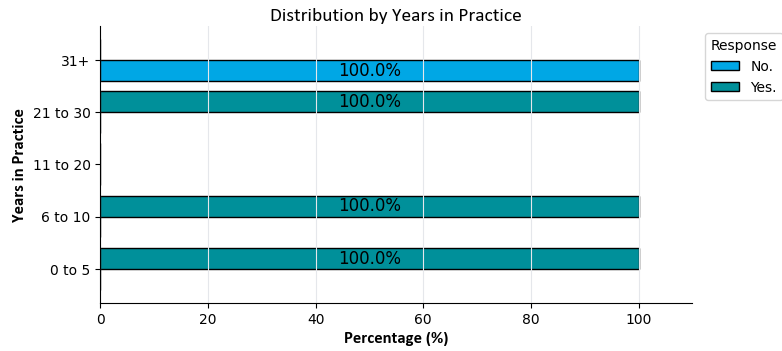
Summary of “Other” Responses: What Would Make the Oath Inspirational

- **Emphasizing service to others**
 - Highlighting a commitment to serve people who need legal help.
 - Centering the oath on helping, supporting, and advocating for those who rely on legal professionals.
- **Reinforcing the trust placed in legal professionals**
 - Acknowledging the significant responsibility that comes with client trust.
 - Stressing the seriousness of being entrusted with people’s rights and futures.
- **Framing the profession as a calling to justice**
 - Language that recognizes lawyers as helpers and public servants.
 - Encouraging attorneys to seek justice above self-interest and uphold their duty to the community.

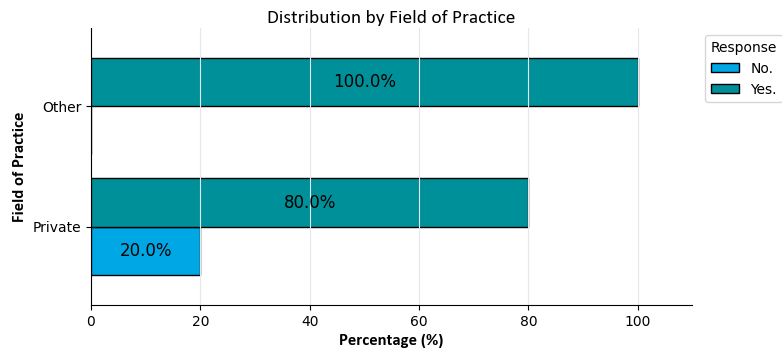
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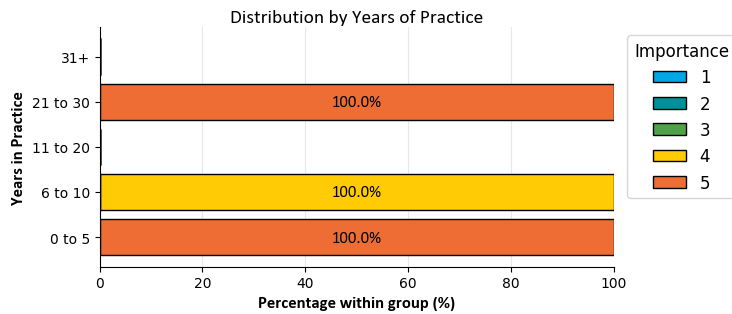


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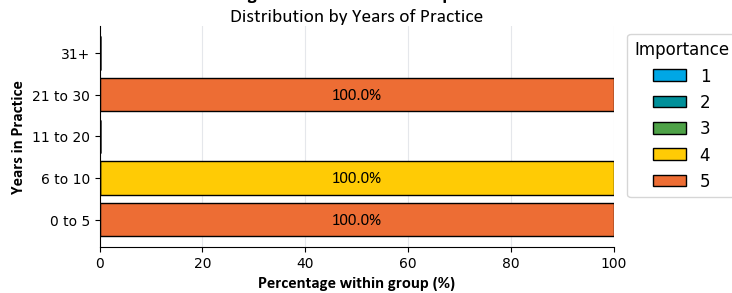
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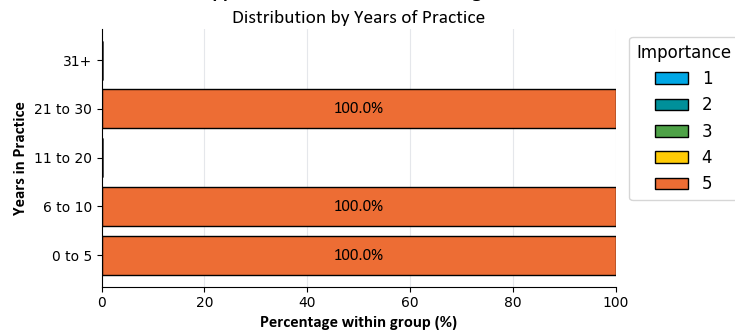
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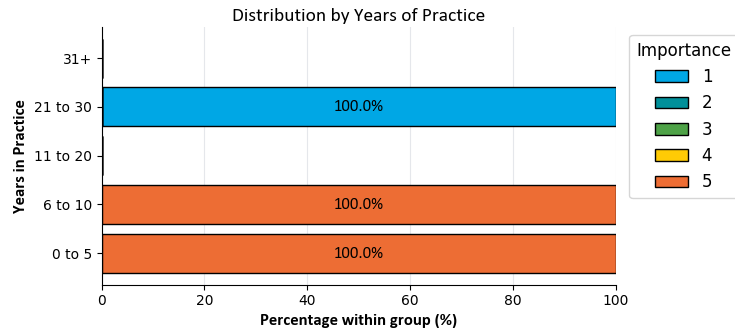
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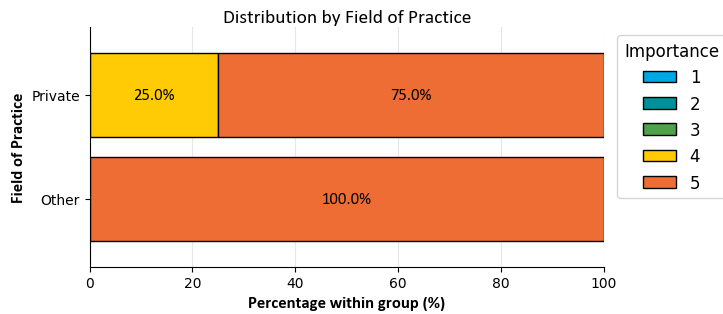
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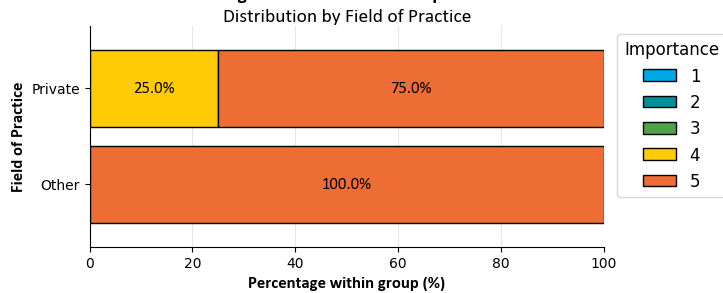
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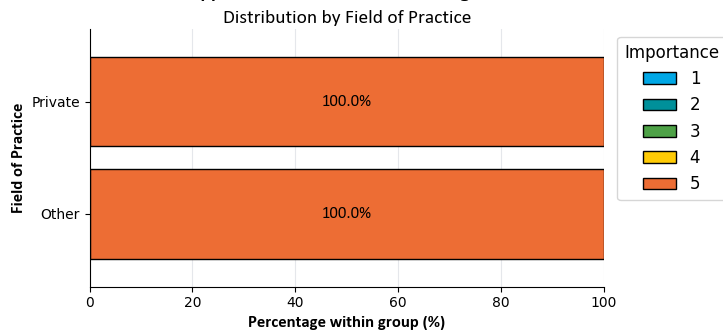
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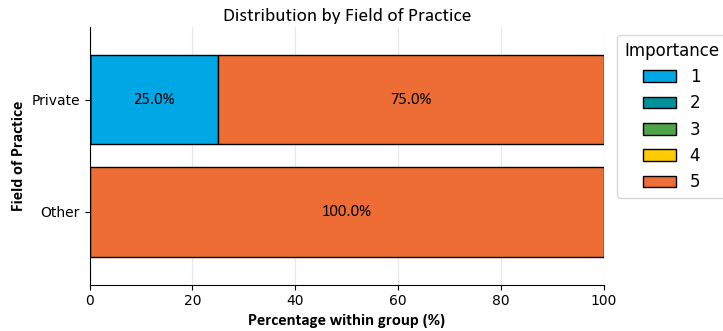
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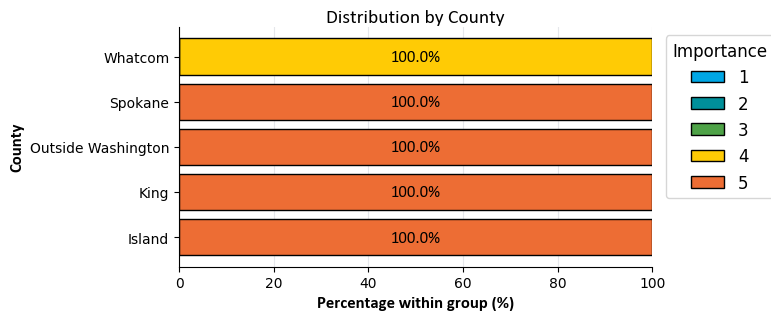
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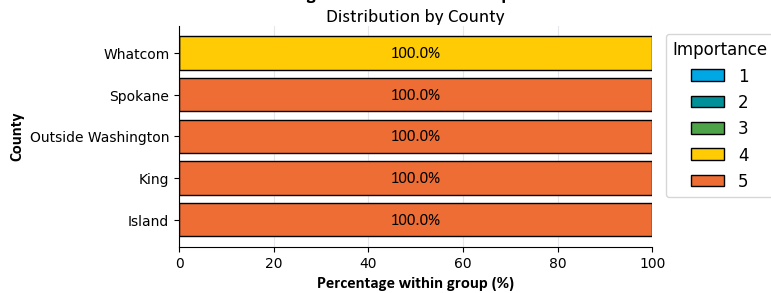
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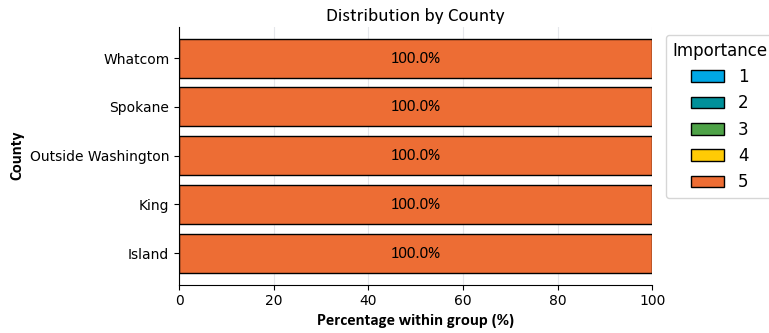
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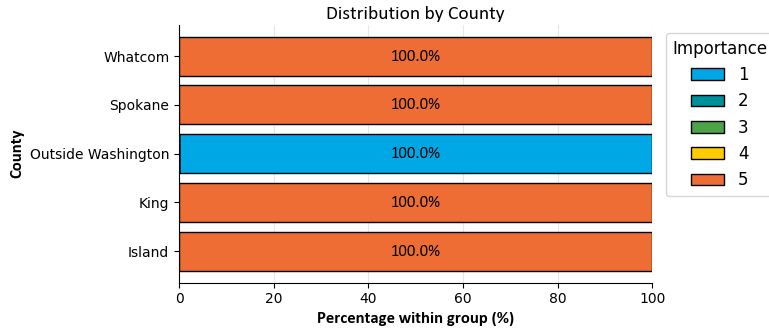
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Q14

Summary of Responses: Memories of Taking the Oath of Limited License Legal Practitioner

- **Memorable or meaningful ceremony**
 - Several respondents recalled a meaningful swearing-in ceremony, often influenced by the judge who administered it.
- **Seen as a required final step**
 - Some described it as simply the last procedural step after passing exams.
- **General sense of seriousness**
 - A few respondents remembered the moment feeling serious or formal.
- **Limited memory of the event**
 - Some stated they remembered very little about the experience.
- **Perception of wording issues**
 - One respondent recalled the oath as very wordy and felt it positioned LLTs as "less than" compared to attorneys.