

# *Allsup Disability Finance Poll*

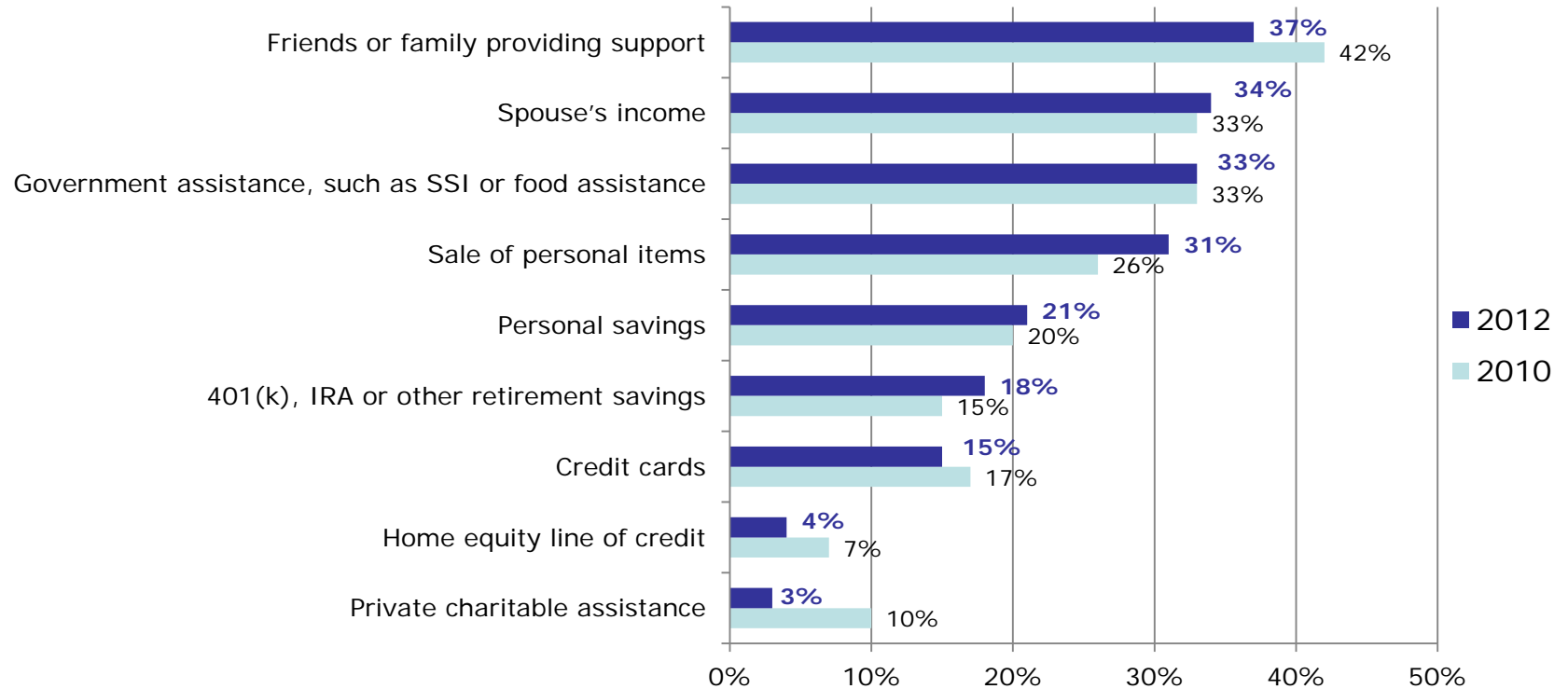
## A Snapshot of Financial Resources and Assistance Used by People with Disabilities

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# Financial Resources While Awaiting SSDI Benefits

Compared to two years ago, fewer SSDI applicants rely on friends and family. More people turned to selling personal items and using retirement savings, which can result in penalties.

## Resources Tapped while Awaiting SSDI Benefits



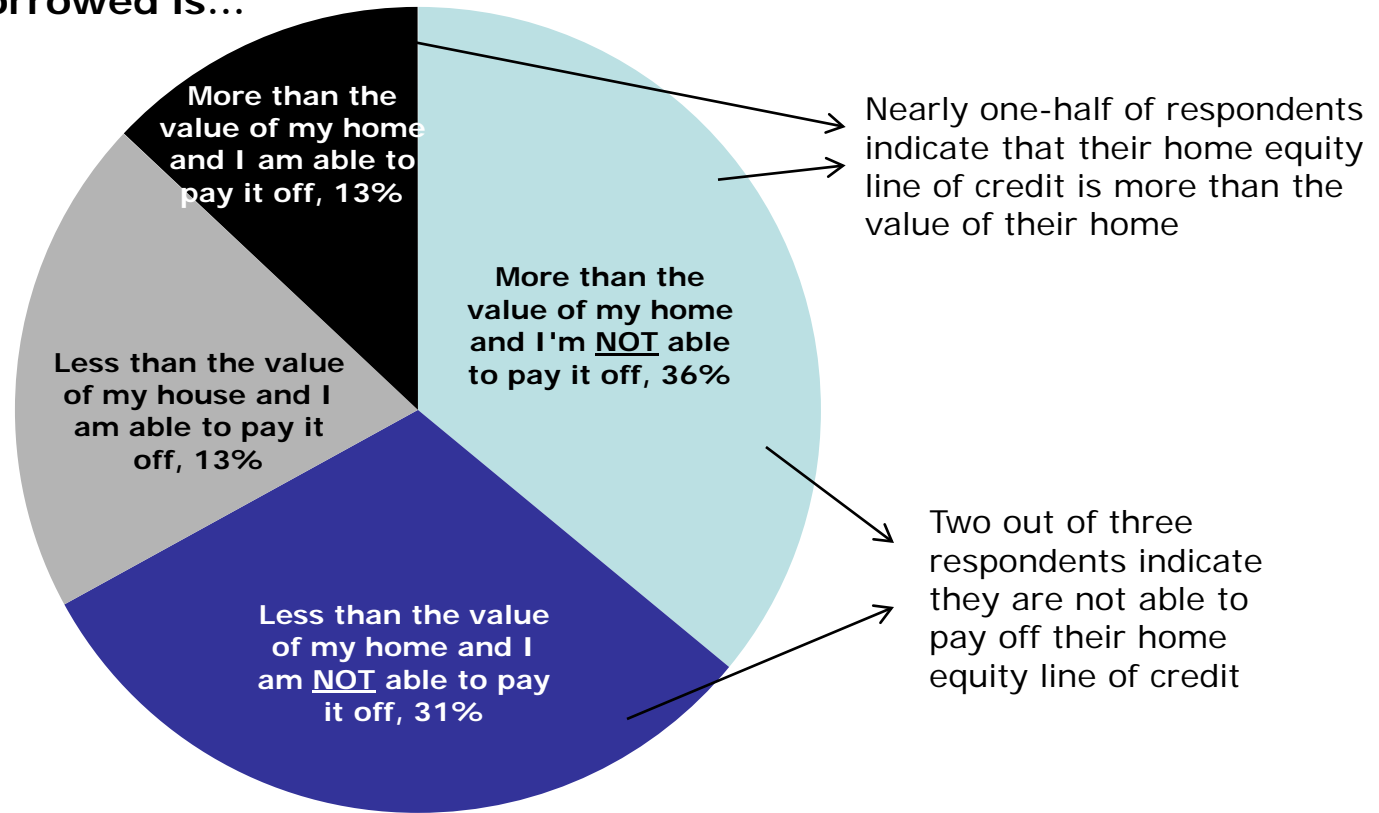
Question: What resources are you relying on to meet your financial needs while you await your SSDI award? Check all that apply.

Source: Allsup

# Home Equity and SSDI Benefits

Many people with disabilities who have a home equity loan are not able to repay it, putting them at further financial risk.

## Amount I have borrowed is...



Question: Which best describes payments on your home equity loan?

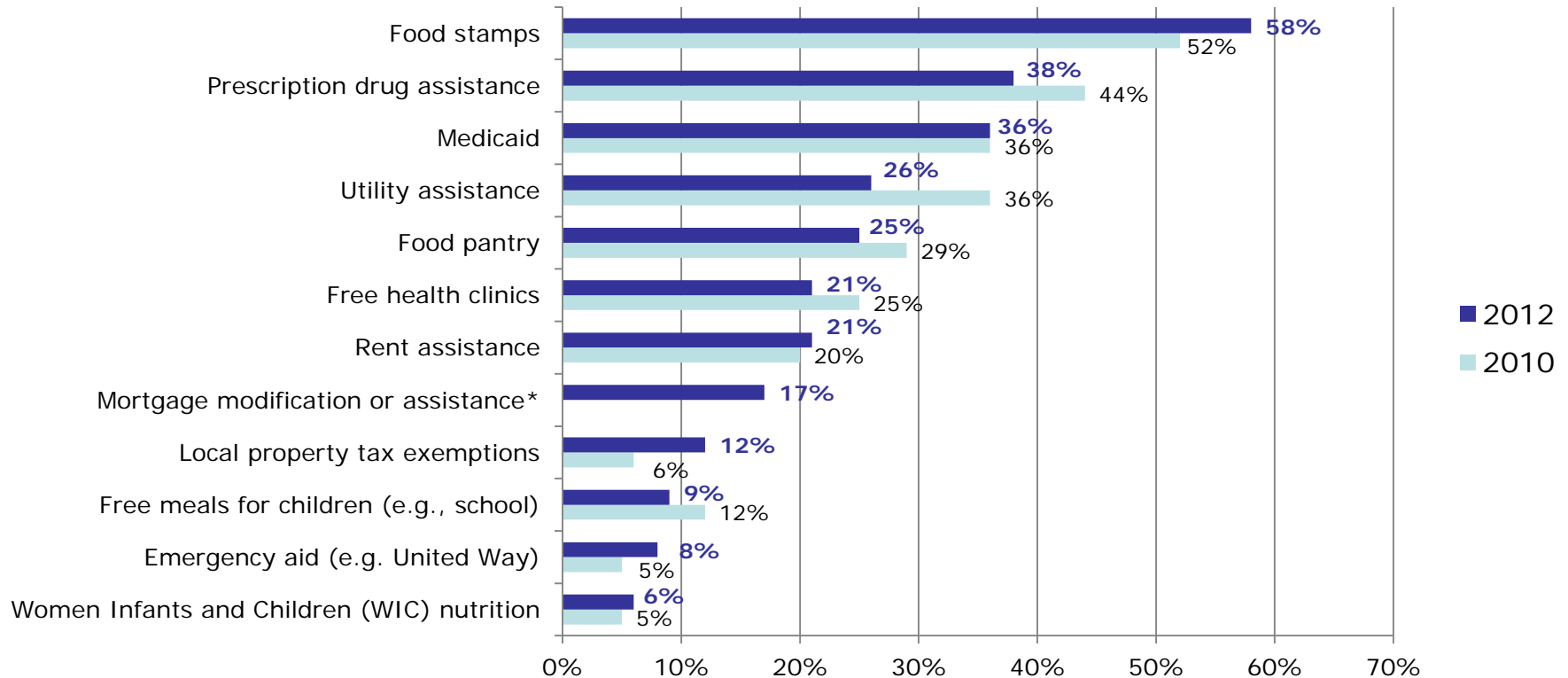
Note: Small sample size; only those with home equity line of credit. N=39.

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# Seeking Program Assistance

People consider or seek assistance from a variety of programs. Some sources of assistance may have become more difficult to obtain, while others more accessible.

## Assistance Programs Considered or Used



Question: Have you considered or attempted to get assistance through the following programs in your local community or state? Check all that apply.

\*Mortgage modification or assistance was not included in the 2010 poll.

# Methodology and Background Information

## Methodology

The *Allsup Disability Finance* poll was conducted online using Allsup's website. Responses came from 178 individuals. The survey was completed in March 2012.

## About Allsup

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