



Smart Metering & AMI Online Survey Results January 2021

About the online Survey



- Survey ran from October 19 to December 1, 2020
- 111 Responses
- 75% Technical, 25% Business
- 55% in water, electricity or gas, 43% in charge of connectivity
- 61% have deployed an AMI
- 59% have deployed LoRa, 32 %LTE, 10% Wi-SUN, Other include wireless MBUS and proprietary
- 57% deployed citywide networks, 25% regional and 18% nationwide
- 53% of respondents do not belong to any association, 29% belong to the LoRa Alliance and 19% to the IEEE
- Number of End points collected by AMI vary greatly from hundreds to 50,000

13 Online survey key findings



MARKET REQUIREMENTS

TOP METER REQUIREMENTS

- Majority of meter reading are over 95% availability over a variety of time frames
- Majority transmitting from every 15 mins to hourly
- Payload varies greatly from few bytes to 300 bytes or more, depending on use case, desired battery life, and requirements

TOP USE CASES

- Automatic reading
- Water/gas leak detection
- Home Energy Management System (HEMS)
- Smart cities

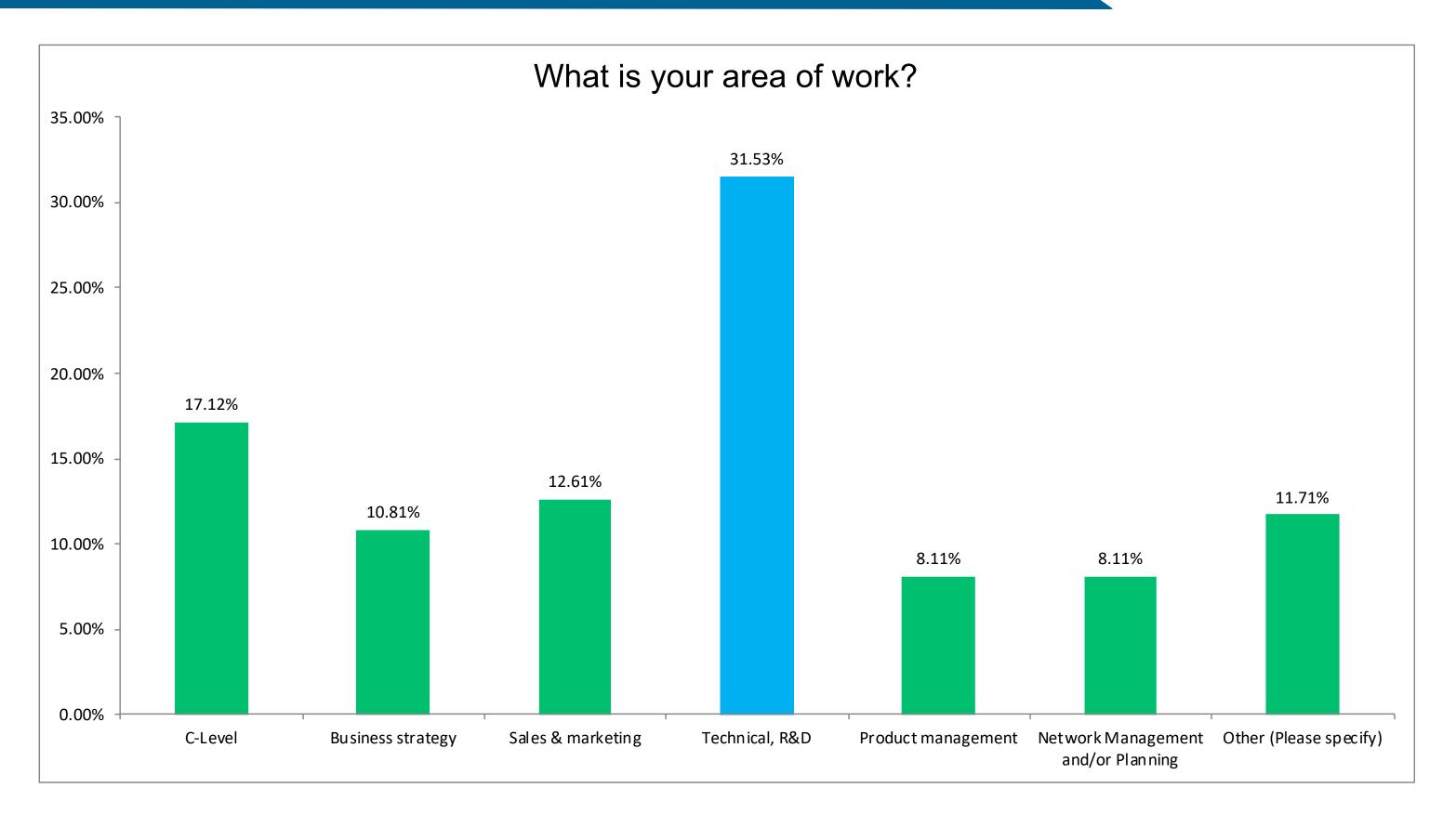
TOP WAN REQUIREMENTS

- % network availability
- Battery life
- Data Security

TOP CHALLENGES WITH AMI

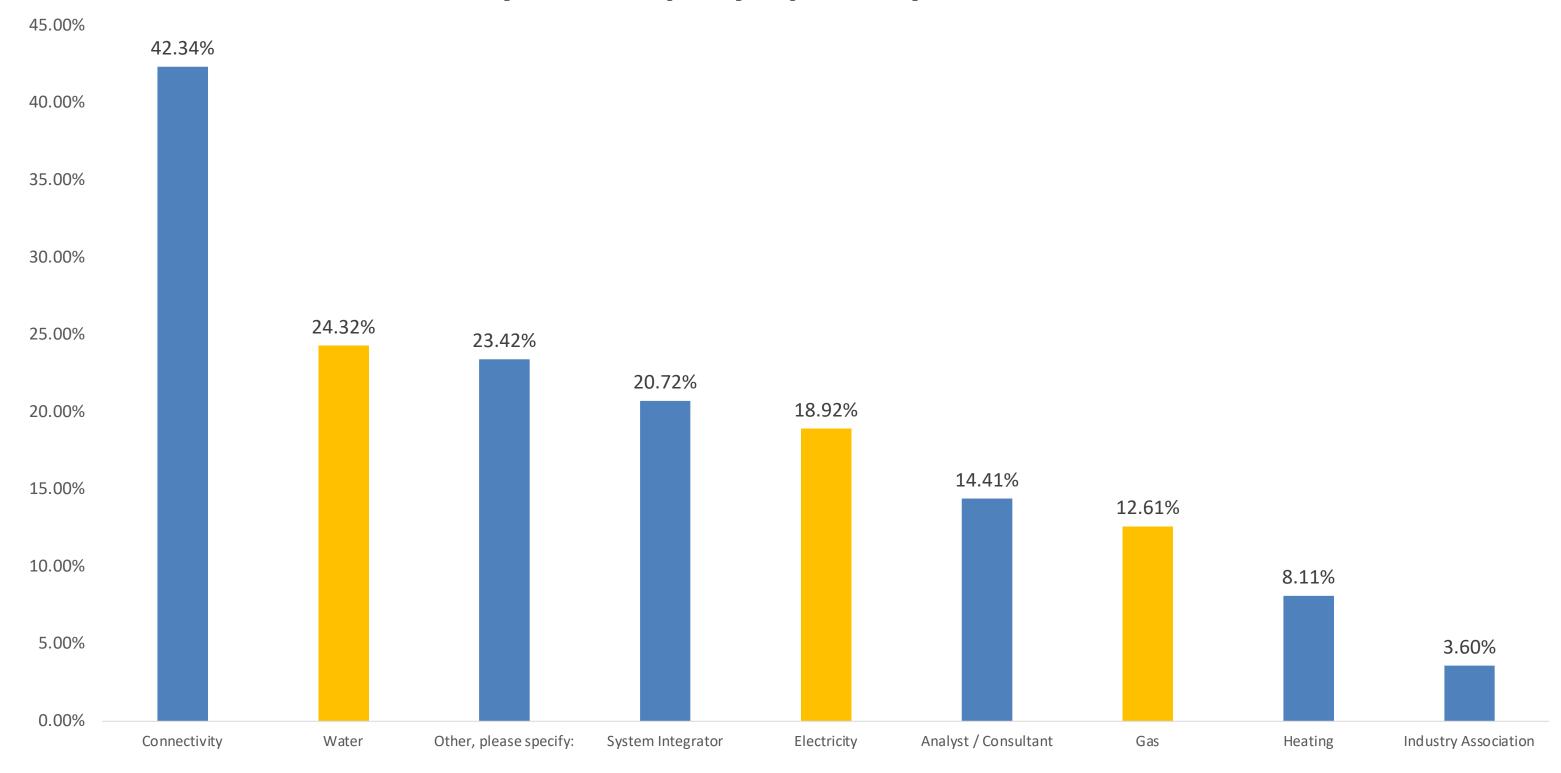
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- Interoperability issues
- Lack of budget/business model





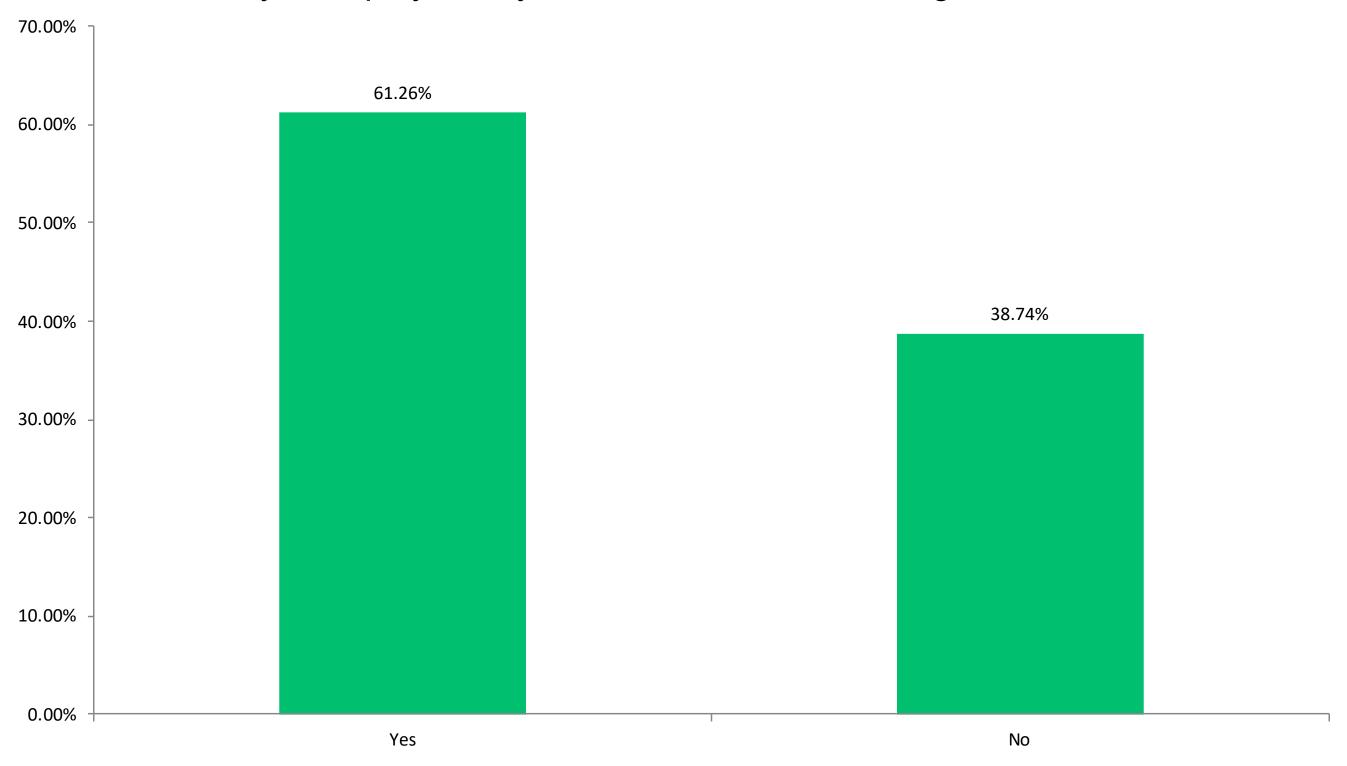


What are your company's primary areas of business?



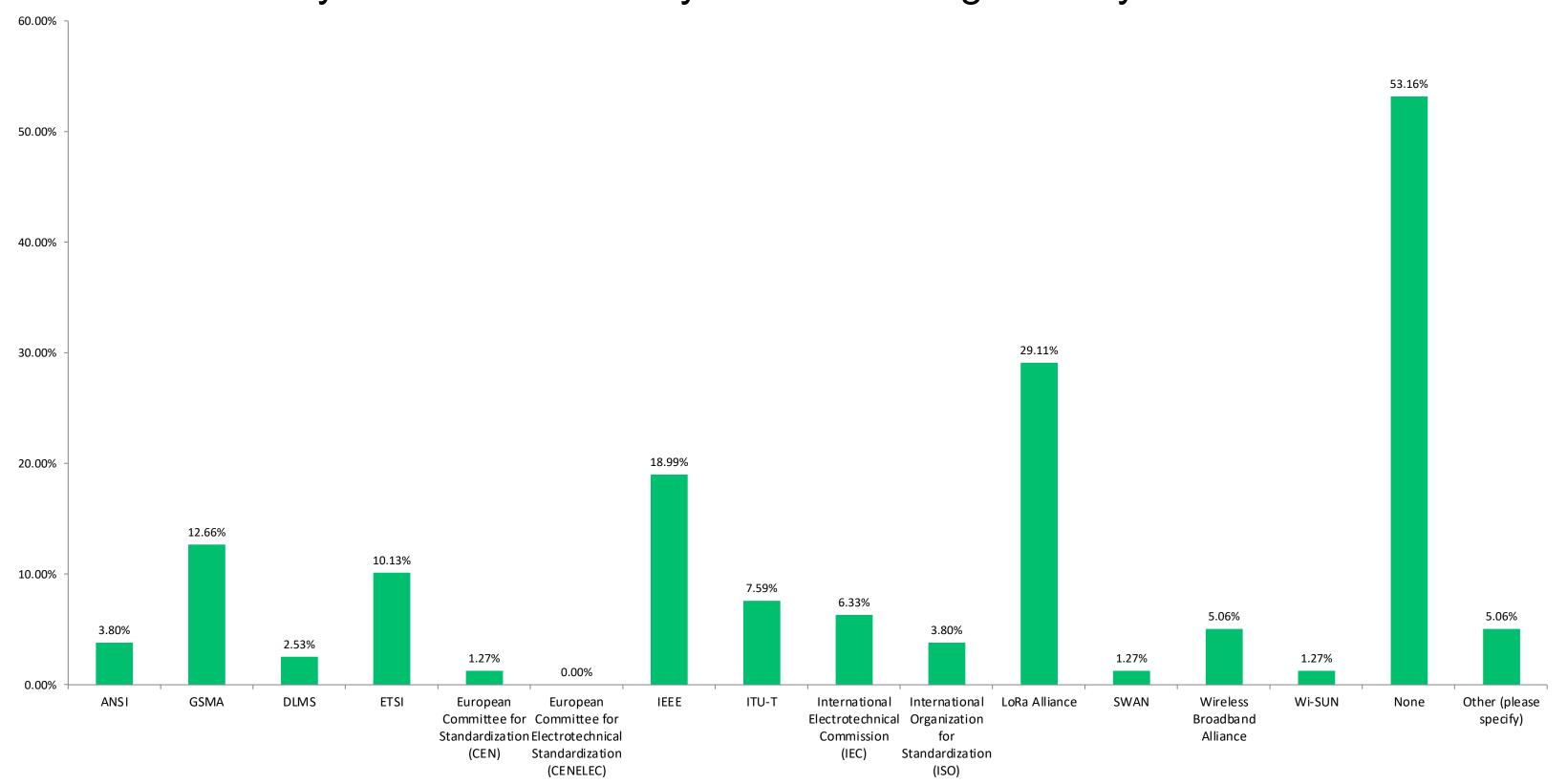


Have you deployed any sort of Advanced Metering Infrastructure?



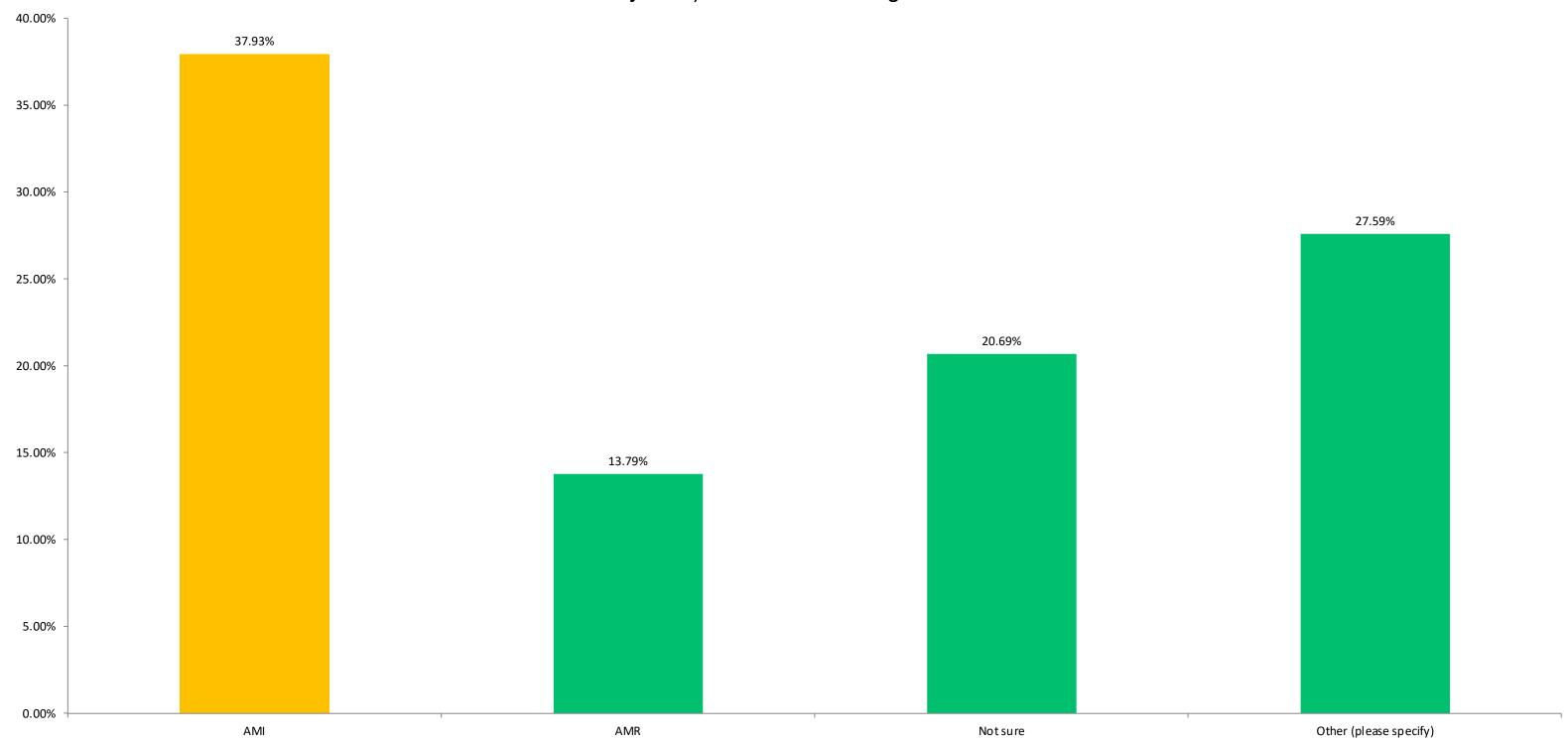


Are you a member of any of the following industry alliances?

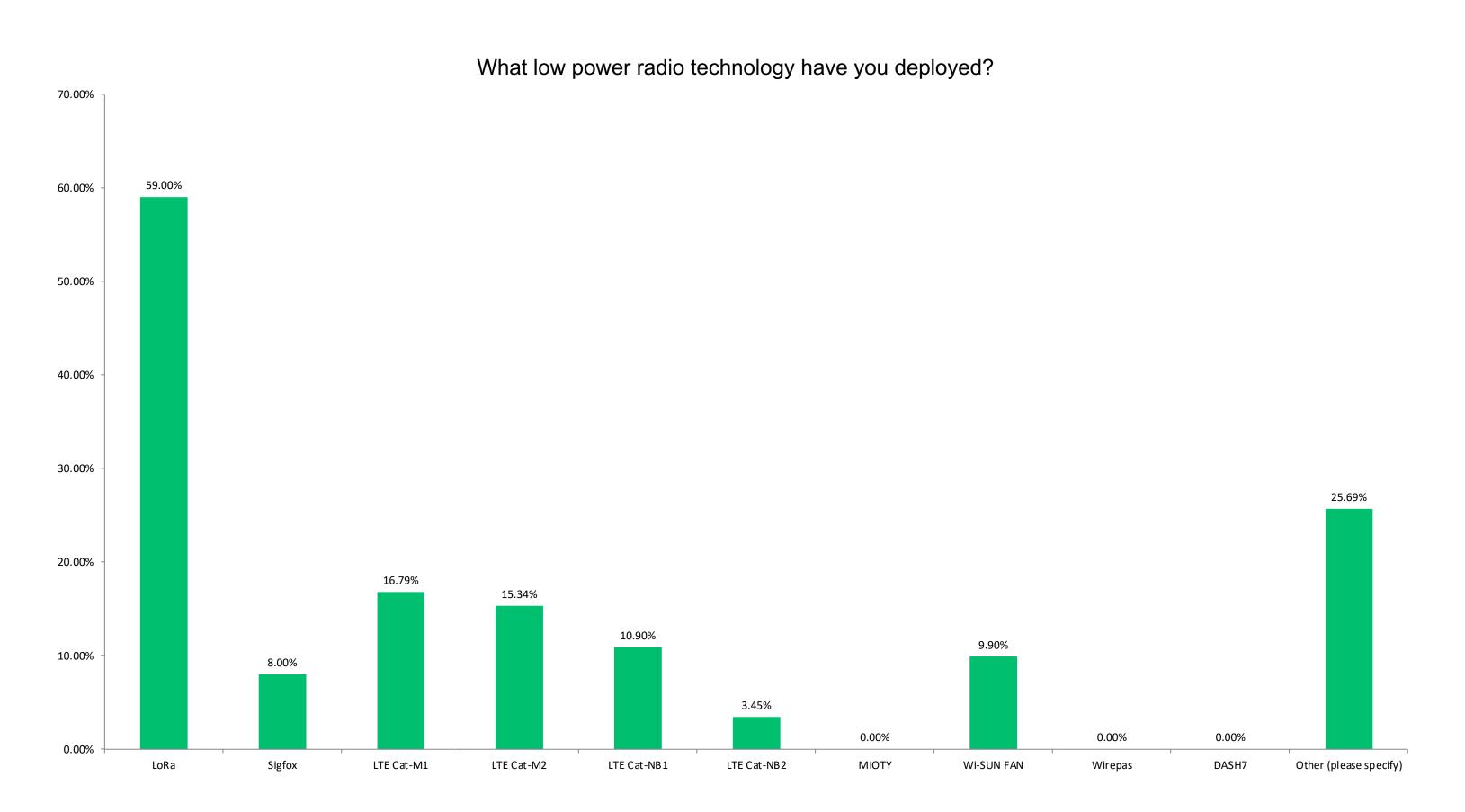




Do you currently use AMI (Advanced Metering Infrastructure with fixed network) or AMR system (walk-by or drive-by system) to collect metering data?

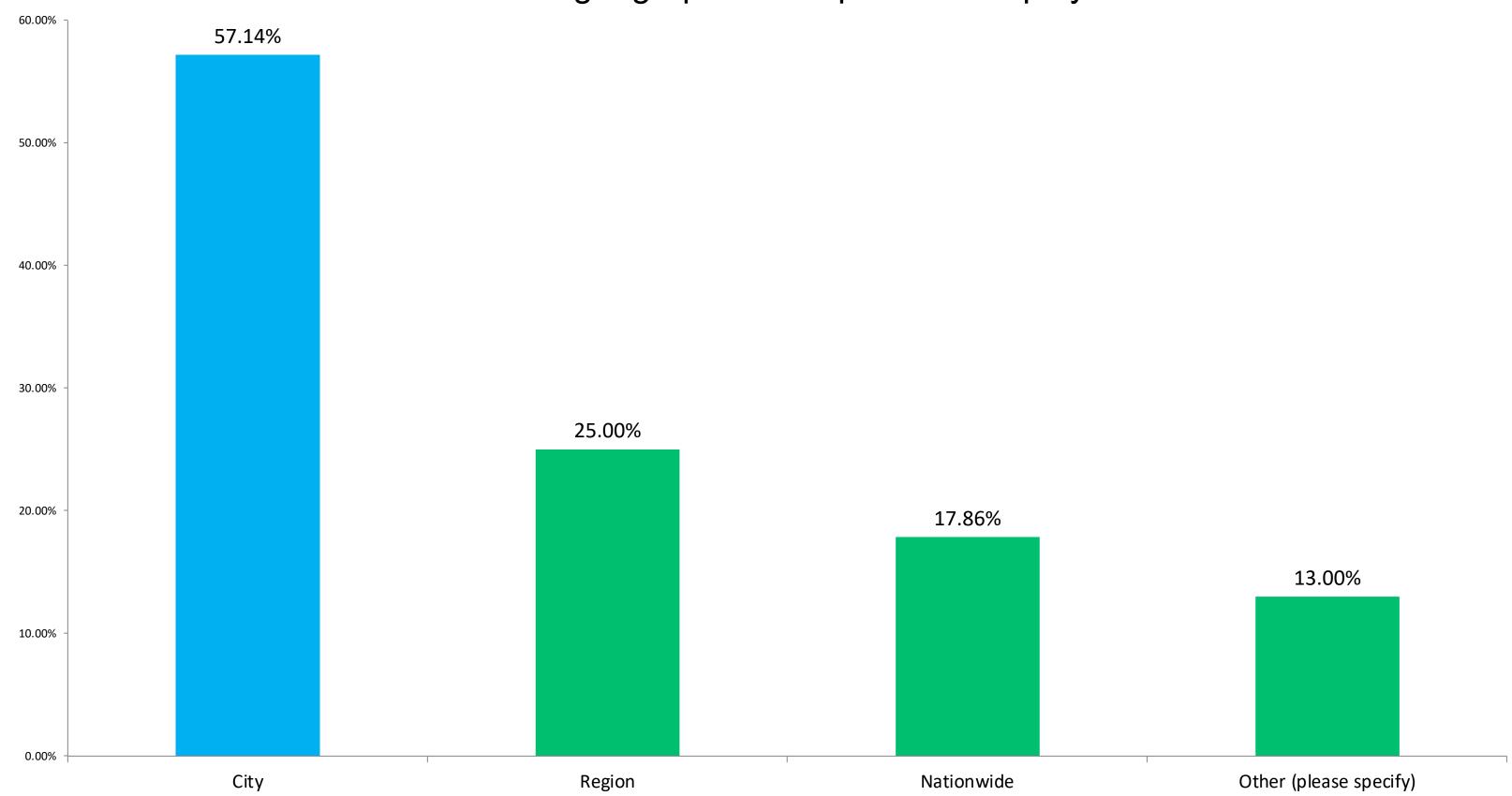












M4/M5 Key Survey Findings



Top use cases of AMI

- 1. Read Meters
- 2. Improve operational efficiency
- 3. Detect leaks

Top 3 requirements for AMI

- 1. % network availability
- 2. Battery life
- 3. Data Security

Top reasons for choosing LoRaWAN

- 1. Range,
- 2. Battery life
- 3. Ecosystem
- 4. coverage

Top applications driving choice for LPWAN

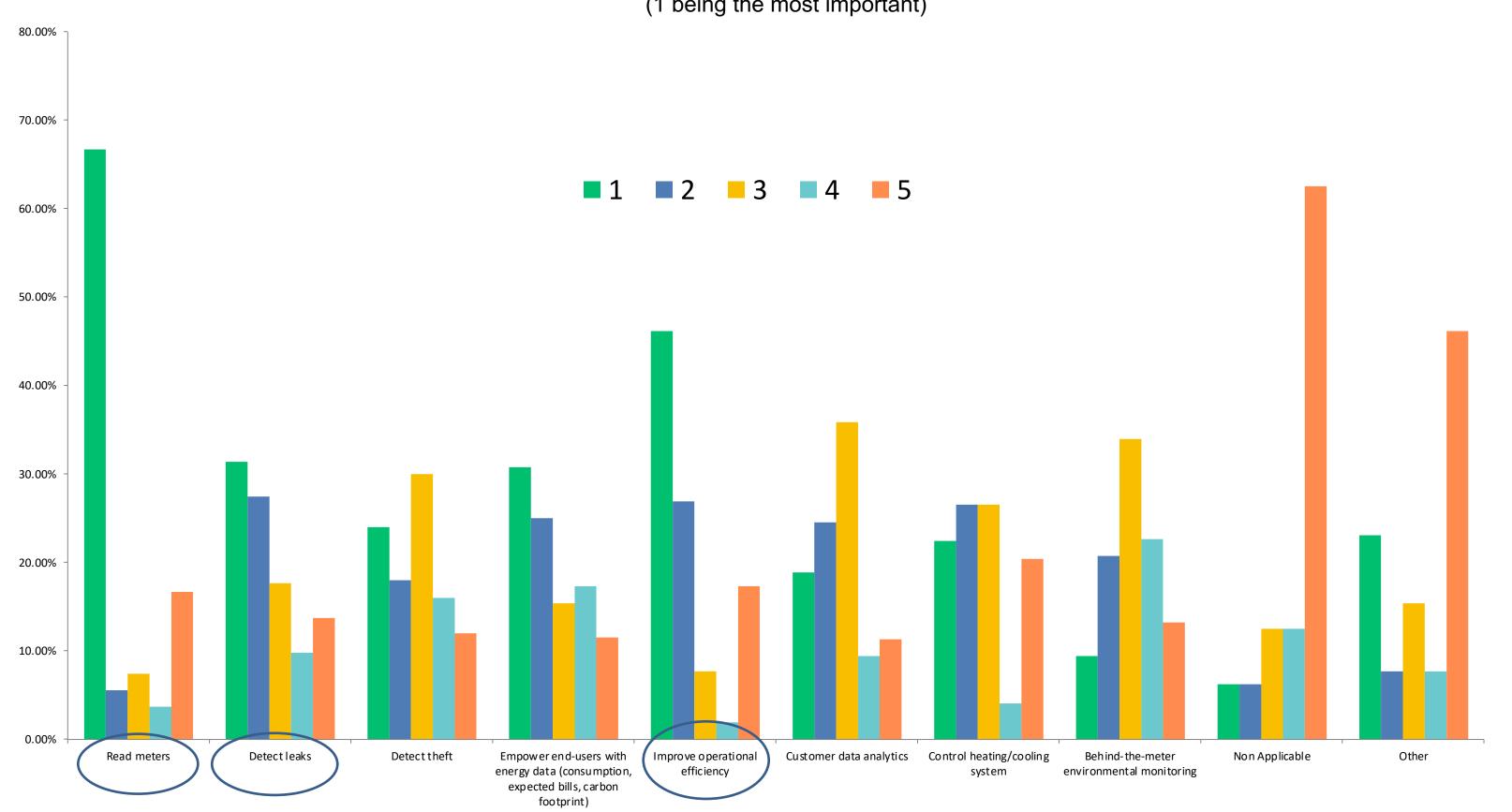
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Top challenges when implementing AMI

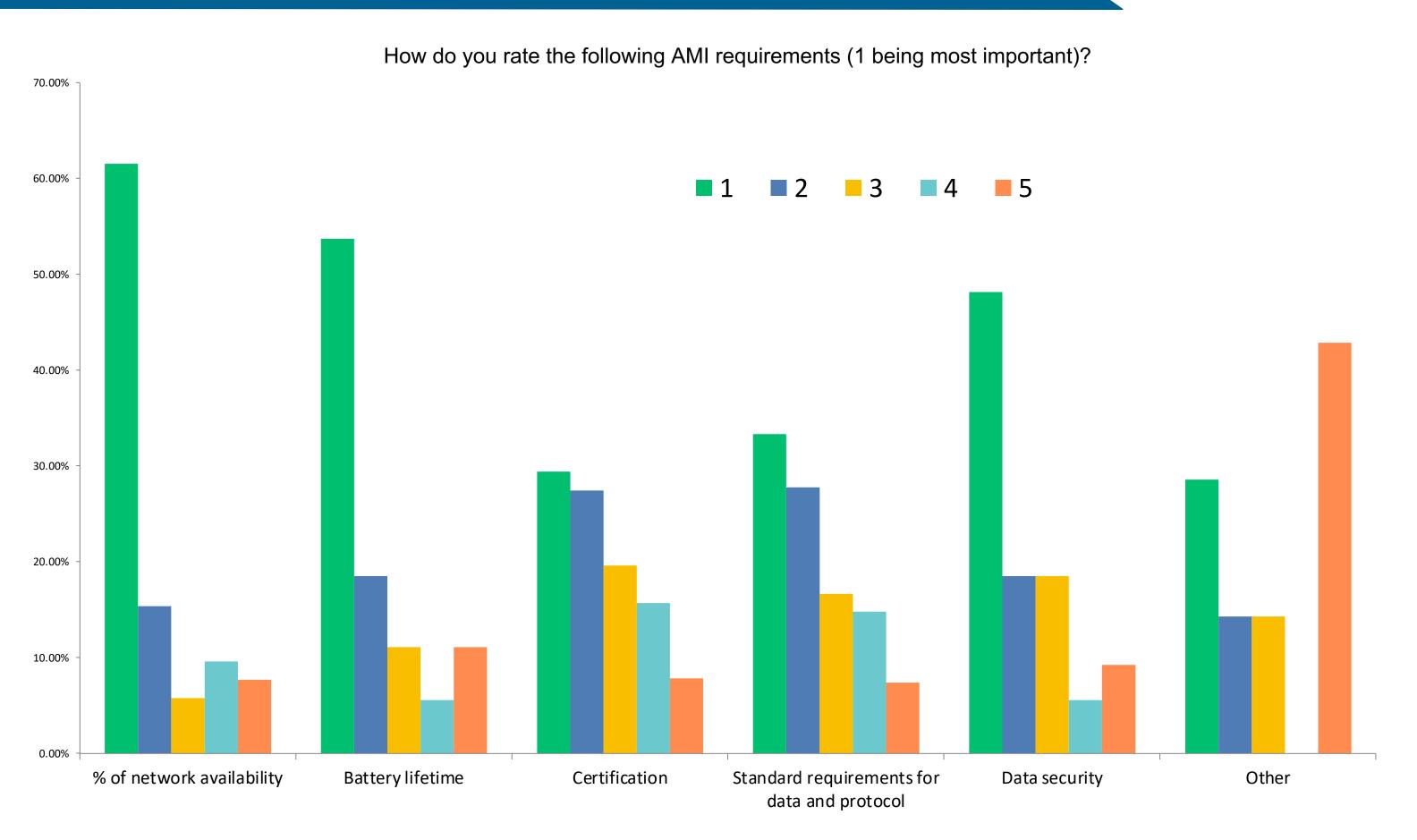
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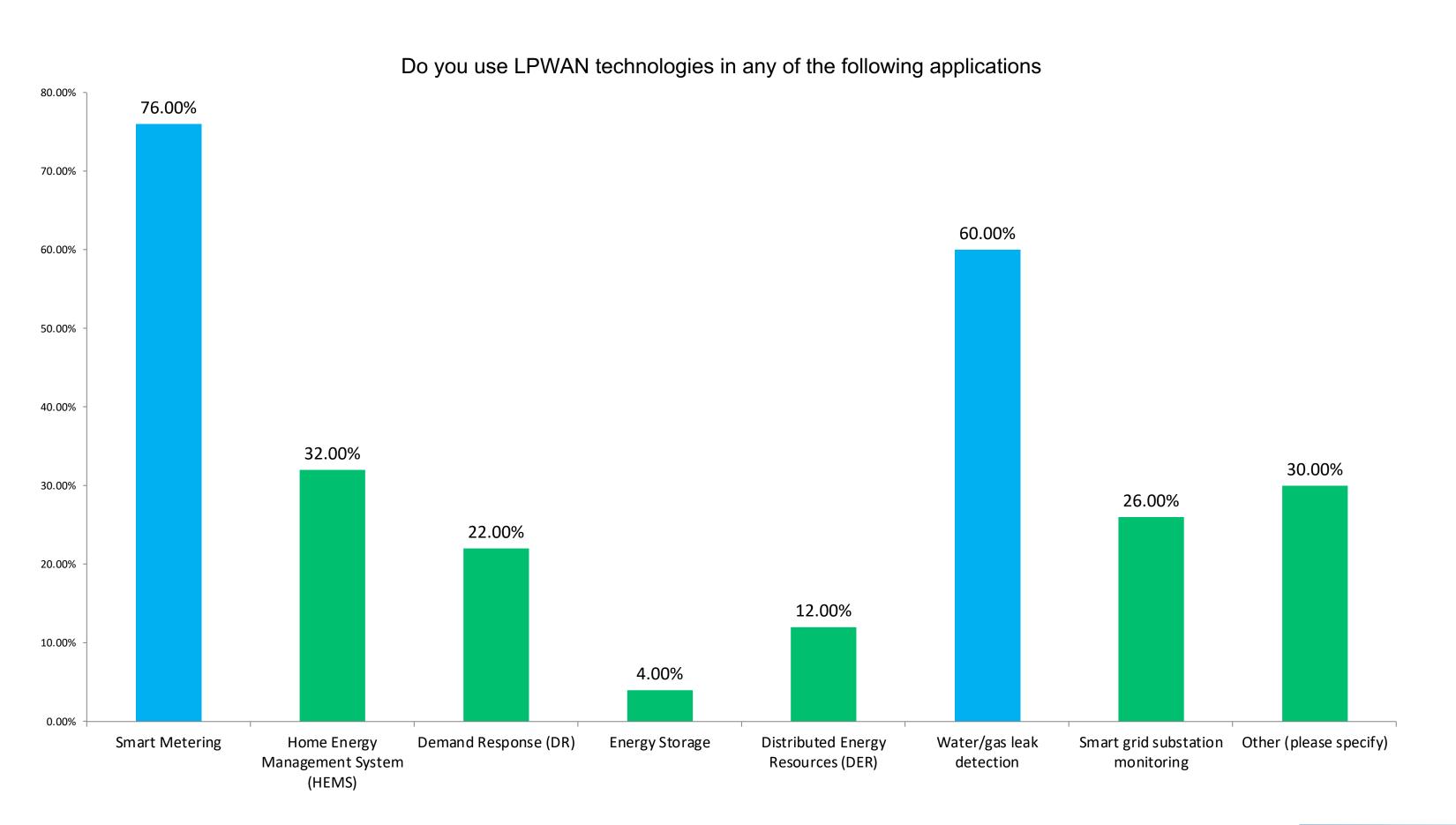
For each of the following use cases, rate the importance of your AMI? (1 being the most important)





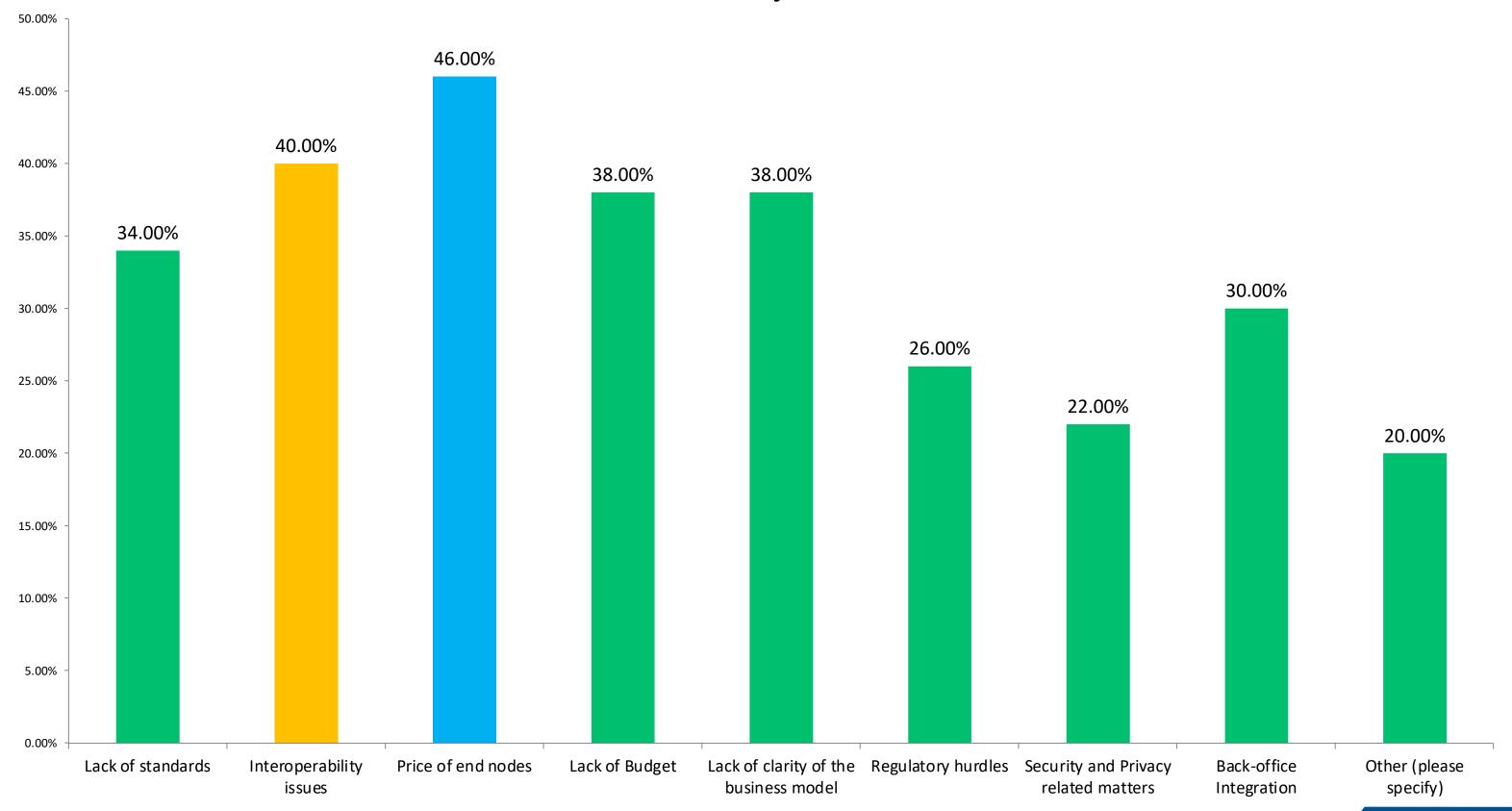






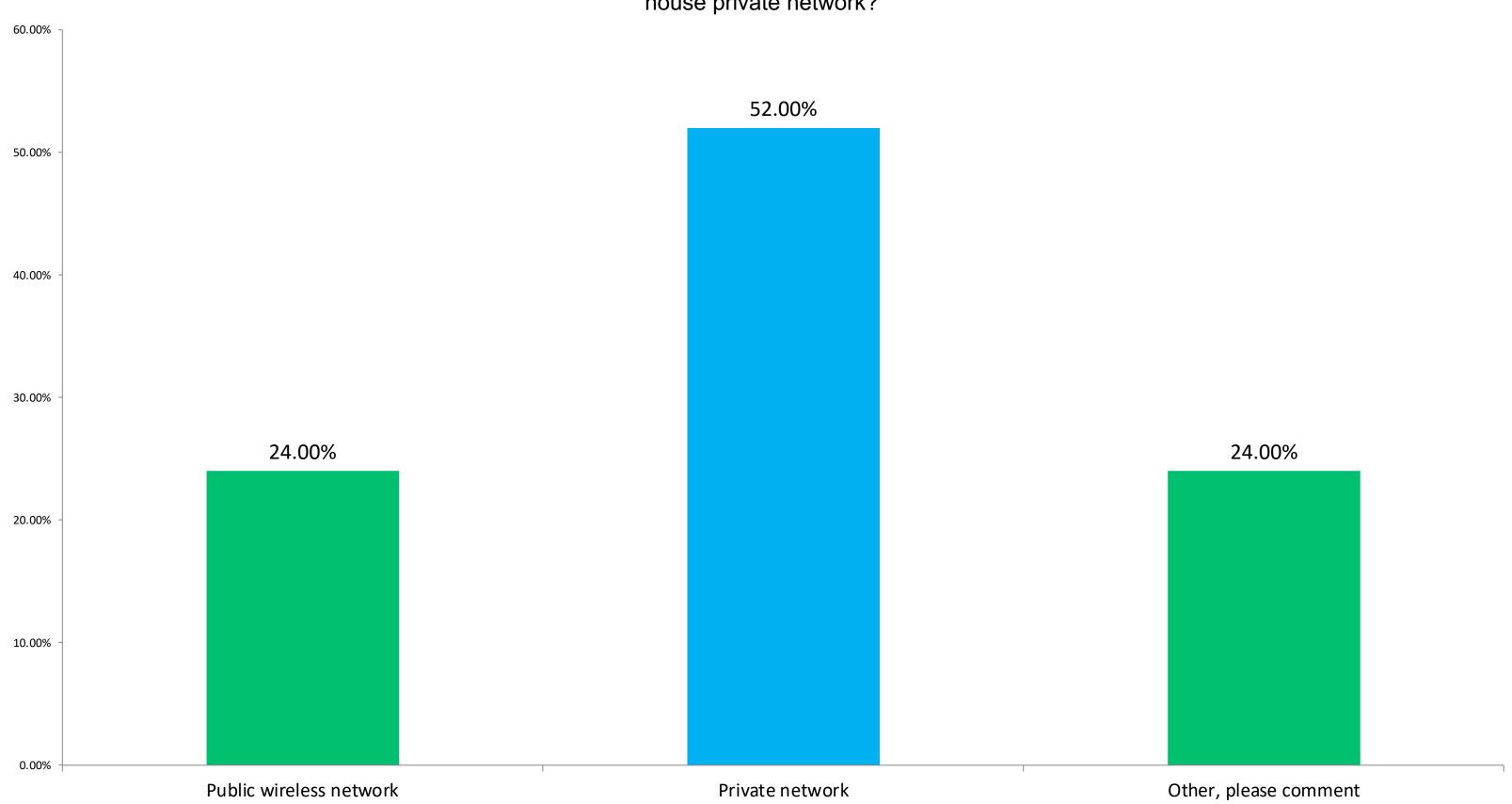


Please list the top challenges you faced when implementing AMI, please select as many as needed



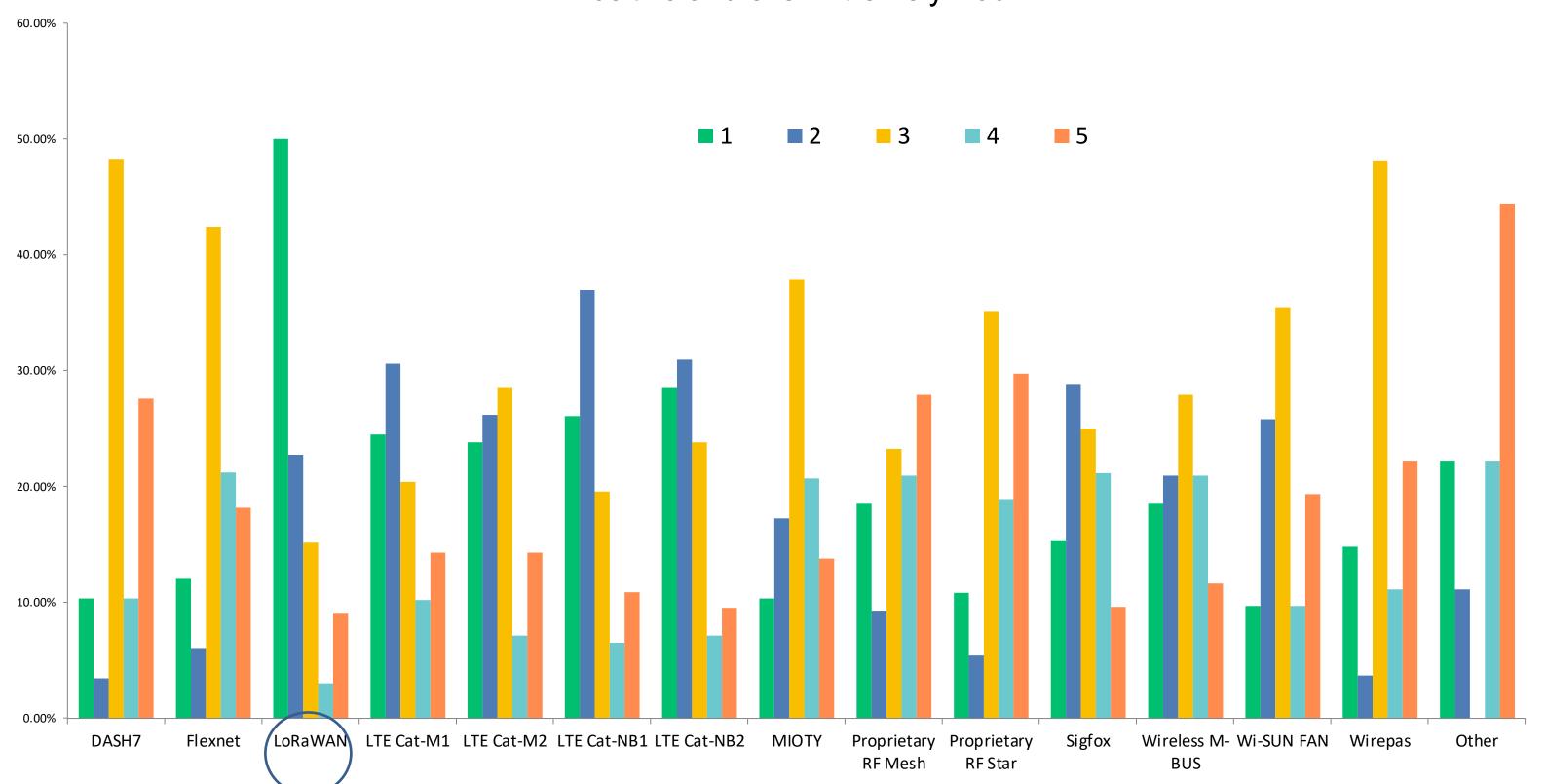


If you were deploying a new AMI project, would you choose a public wireless network or would you prefer to use an inhouse private network?



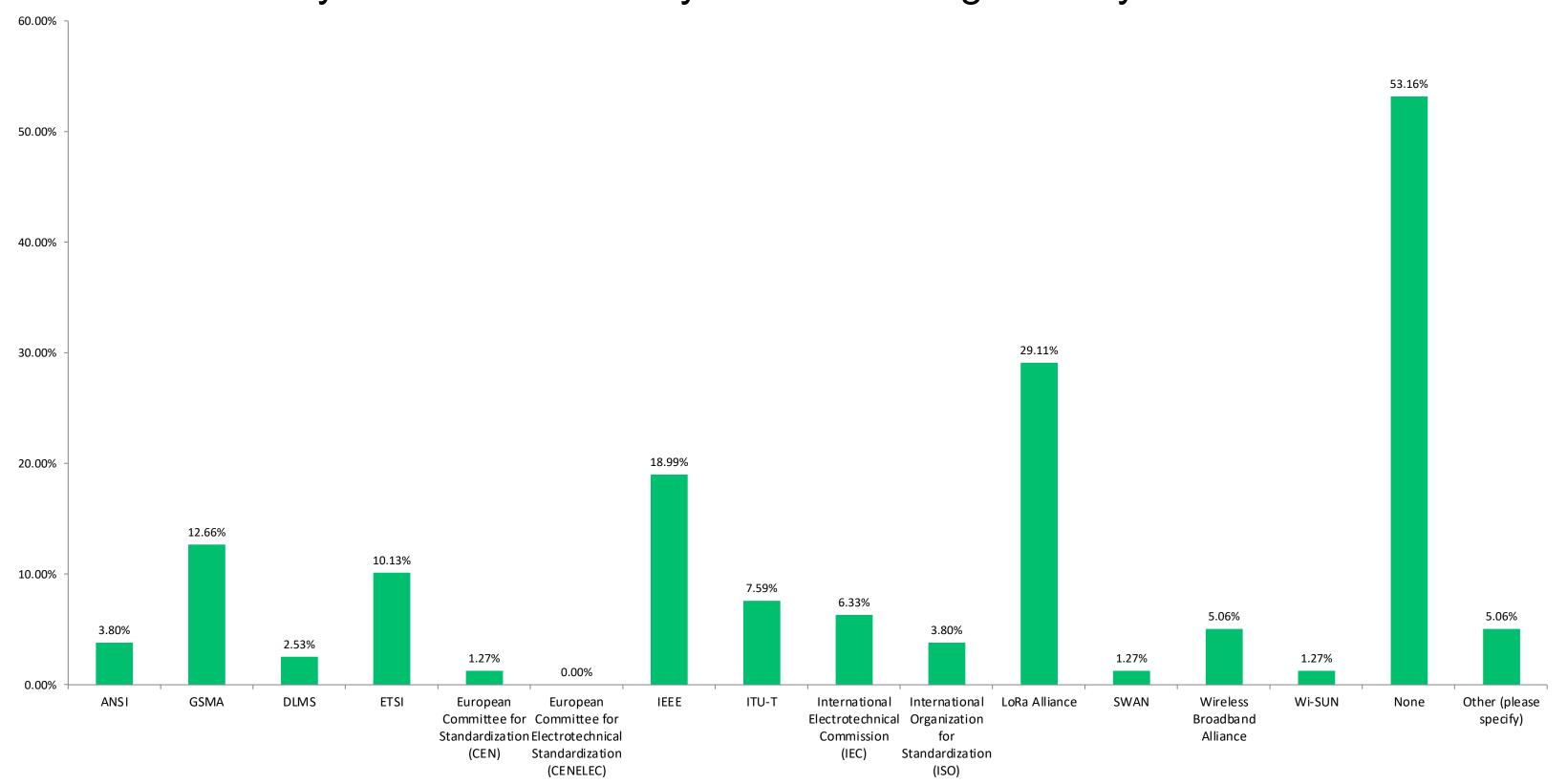


How would you describe your opinion towards each technology, where 1 is Extremely Positive and 5 is Extremely Poor?





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