



CUSTOMER SATISFACTION TRACKING RESEARCH

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- ARIN is a nonprofit member-based organization that: supports the operation of the Internet through the management of Internet number resources throughout its service region; coordinates the development of policies by the community for the management of Internet Protocol number resources; and advances the Internet through information outreach. ARIN is one of five Regional Internet Registries (RIRs) in the world.
- Rockbridge Associates conducted this customer/member satisfaction survey to help ARIN better understand members' satisfaction and needs as the Internet number registry landscape evolves. This study serves as a follow up to the studies conducted in 2014, 2017 and 2020 and has the following objectives:
 - Determine members' expectations and needs from ARIN
 - Assess current satisfaction with ARIN's services and operations
 - Determine any unmet needs members have
 - Identify and prioritize areas for improvement
 - Assess current perceptions of the organization within the Internet community
 - Identify opportunities to better engage the Internet community in terms of outreach, education and fostering participation
 - Understand how ARIN's current performance compares to that indicated by previous surveys completed in 2014, 2017 and 2020

- This report provides results to a survey of ARIN members and community participants. An online survey was conducted between April 19 and May 15, 2023.
- 317 individuals completed the survey, and have the following relationships with ARIN:
 - 278: Have a direct allocation of IP addresses (IPv4, IPv6) from ARIN, and is a member.
 - 30: Have no direct Internet number resources from ARIN but use some ARIN services.
 - 9: Have no direct Internet number resources from ARIN, and does not use ARIN services, but is part of the ARIN community.
- Having a direct assignment of Internet number resources (IPv4, IPv6, ASN) from ARIN was removed in the 2023 survey. The distribution of ARIN members increased from 2020, while the distribution of non-members remained stable.
- The median survey time was 15 minutes.
- The margin of error (95% level of confidence) for results based on the total sample is +/- 6%. The margin of error is larger for subgroups of the data. *As shown in the demographics section of the report, the characteristics of the 2020 and 2023 samples are similar in years in profession, occupation, type of company and size of company; this adds confidence that the two sample waves are comparable.*
- The Loyalty Index is a derived measure that takes into account satisfaction with meeting needs, satisfaction with value, and likelihood to continue with ARIN if given a choice. The three measures factor into the index equally (each accounting for a third). A score of “100” means perfect scores were received for each component of the index.
- Numbers may not sum exactly due to rounding.

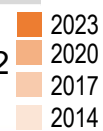
- ARIN continues doing a good job of meeting the needs of its community, as the Loyalty Index and satisfaction with meeting needs have trended upward since 2014. Satisfaction with value and commitment to continuing to use ARIN if given a choice have slightly decreased since 2020.
- A full 3 in 4 are highly satisfied with the value they receive from the fees they pay and would still not opt for higher or lower fees (with respectively higher and lower service levels) if given the opportunity.
- Familiarity with ARIN and what it does has remained steady since 2017 with two-thirds at least moderately familiar with ARIN, but only a fifth being very familiar.
- Perceptions of ARIN have also remained steady with a majority believing ARIN adheres to the values of an open Internet and cares about customers and members. However, nearly half are unfamiliar with how well ARIN manages its finances and there is greater uncertainty about whether ARIN is bureaucratic.
- At least 7 in 10 are familiar with all ARIN products and services, while levels of familiarity are similar to 2020 for nearly all services
 - The ARIN website, directory service-related services, and ARIN Online are still the most frequently used products and services, and satisfaction with these items remains high.
 - RPKI usage is up from 2020 (52% vs 38%), as are DNSSEC (48% vs 40%).
- Email and ARIN Online are still the most common ways to receive information and the most preferred, but preference for Email decreased since 2020 (84% vs 92%).
- Participation in the Policy Development Process is up slightly from 2020 (10% vs 7%). The top reason for not participating is a lack of time.
- There is increased interest in RPKI trainings (51% vs 45%) since 2020, and less interest in training for ARIN tools and services (44% vs 51%).



Executive Summary – ARIN Performance Scorecard: Overview

- To identify and prioritize areas for improvement, a scorecard approach is used to track ARIN’s perceived performance and expectations among community members on 34 specific attributes grouped into 9 dimensions. Success is defined by the gap between Expectations and Performance, with the goal being to close the gaps over time and come as close as possible to meeting (or exceeding) expectations of community members.
- The overall quality gap decreased from 10 points in 2020 to 7 points in 2023. While performance dropped only 1 point, expectations dropped by 5 points, contributing to the smaller gap.**
- Since 2020, ARIN has moved closer to meeting community expectations on all service dimensions except Security, Customer Service and ARIN Meetings.
- Engineering, Registration Services, Customer Service, Communications and Outreach, and Meetings are key opportunities for improvement in 2023.

					POINTS FROM EXPECTATIONS				
					2023	2020	2017	2014	
Smallest Gaps	Overall	85% 79%	90% 80%	85% 83%	88% 76%	7	10*	2	12
	Internet Governance	85% 83%	90% 83%	80% 87%	88% 81%	2	7	-7	7
	Policy Development	81% 78%	84% 79%	83% 82%	87% 74%	4	5	1	13
	Engineering	86% 79%	90% 79%	87% 85%	89% 79%	8	11	2	10
	Registration Services	88% 79%	90% 80%	88% 82%	91% 77%	8	10*	6	14
	Customer Service	90% 81%	90% 81%	90% 83%	92% 79%	9	9	7	13
	Communications and Outreach	86% 79%	90% 79%	87% 85%	89% 79%	9	9*	4	17
	Meetings	77% 67%	74% 71%	81% 77%	77% 65%	10	3	4	12
	Largest Gaps								



*Note: attributes within dimension changed from 2017 to 2020 and scores are not comparable.

**Gap calculations may differ from numbers in table due to rounding.



Executive Summary – ARIN Performance Scorecard: Opportunities

2023 Key Opportunities

Performance area	Recommendations for focus	Points from Expectations
Communications and Outreach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I am able to easily navigate the website to find the content I need Is a transparent organization Clearly communicates the organization's future plans Offers sufficient opportunities to obtain customer and member feedback Communicates in a way that meets my needs 	10 10 10 9 ⚠ 8 ⚠
Customer Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides clear and accurate information to customers and members Provides timely responses to requests Has the right people for the job on staff 	12 ⚠ 10 8 ⚠
Registration Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transfer requests are processed in a timely manner The process to obtain Internet resources is clear and straightforward 	11 ⚠ 9
Engineering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tools and resources (such as WHOIS, WhoWas, DNS, RDAP, IRR, RPKI, etc) are easy to understand New technical services and enhancements are delivered in a timely manner 	13 9 ⚠
Policy Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has a Policy Development Process which creates useful and fair Internet number resource management policy Policy Development Process allows policies to change quickly enough in response to changes in the industry 	8 ⚠ 10 ⚠
ARIN Meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Election process is easy to understand and use by eligible voters The content and activities of meetings are at a level of importance and interest that I want to attend 	13 10

- To improve loyalty and narrow performance gaps, ARIN should focus on areas that have large gaps, high importance, or both. At a strategic level, the top areas with the largest gaps include Meetings, Customer Service, Communications and Outreach, Registration Services, and Engineering.
- Meetings: the top areas to focus on are ensuring the election process is easy to understand and the content of meetings are important enough to ensure attendance. ARIN should improve how it provides information on elections and research the different topics members are interested in.
- Customer Service: a few of the attributes in this area are important drivers of loyalty. ARIN should focus on providing clear and accurate information to members (key driver), timeliness of requests and having the right people for the job (key driver where the gap increased). ARIN should consider training and review of materials to ensure clearer communication and examine the training and capabilities of staff in different positions.
- Communication: ARIN should review and get feedback on its website to ensure ease of navigation, examine how it can become more transparent through its communications (including about future plans), and improve mechanisms for getting community feedback (key driver where gap increased).
- ARIN should also investigate ways to expedite transfer requests (key driver). Further, ensuring tools and resources are easy to understand is one of the largest quality gaps warranting attention, while delivering new technical services and enhancements in a timely manner is a key loyalty driver. ARIN should map out some of its processes to determine how to speed up turnaround.
- With increasing usage and interest in RPKI training, ARIN should provide more training opportunities and offer clearer, more helpful documentation, which should help clarify and manage members expectations of the process.
- Focusing on innovation offers an organization a way to change how it views its products, services and processes, while helping it redesign its business models to build stronger affinity and loyalty. ARIN could study leaders in the technology industry for ideas on designing its processes and interfaces.

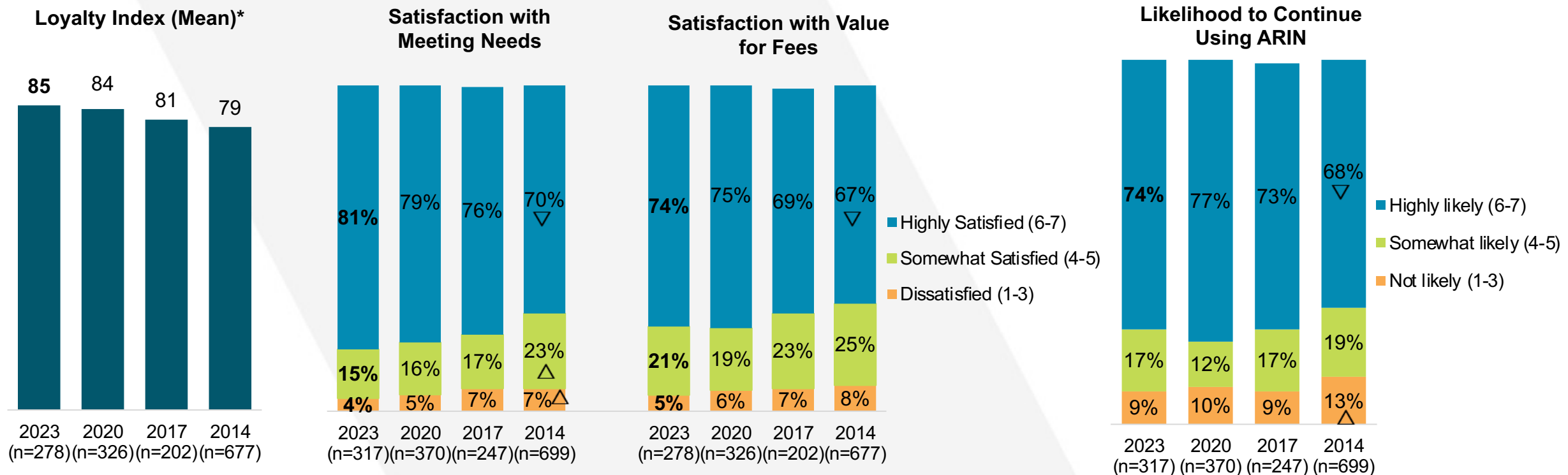
Satisfaction and Loyalty



ARIN continues doing a good job meeting the needs of its community – over 8 in 10 are satisfied that it is meeting the needs of their organization

- The Loyalty Index and satisfaction with meeting needs have trended upward since 2014. Satisfaction with value and commitment to continuing to use ARIN if given a choice decreased slightly since 2020.
- ARIN Members, community members with ISPs, and Network Engineers are more satisfied with ARIN meeting their organization’s needs.

Overall Loyalty Metrics



*Combines satisfaction with meeting needs, satisfaction with value, and likelihood to continue using equally into one measure | Note: numbers may not sum exactly to 100% due to rounding

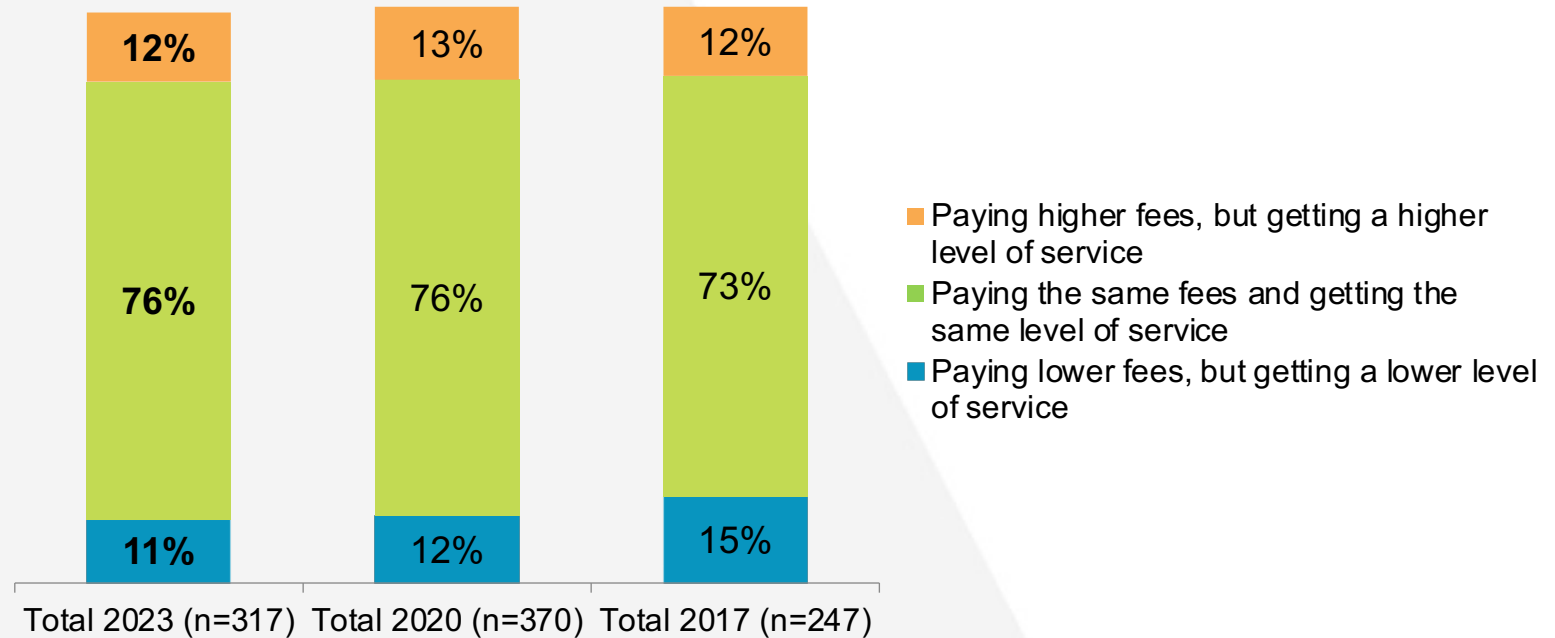
Q1. Thinking about your interactions with ARIN and the products and services it provides, how satisfied are you with ARIN in meeting your organization’s needs? | Q2. How satisfied are you with the value you receive from ARIN based on the fees you pay? | Q3. If you had the option to choose another registry services provider, how likely would you be to continue using ARIN services? | ▽ △ denotes significantly higher/lower than 2023



Similar to previous years, the majority prefers to continue paying the same fees and getting the same level of service

- Community members with less than 100 employees are more likely to prefer lower fees for a lower level of service than community members in larger organizations (17% versus 4%).

ARIN's Fees and Level of Service**





Highly satisfied community members find ARIN supportive and easy to work with, while those less satisfied cite difficulty in their experiences with ARIN policies

Reasons for High Overall Satisfaction (6 or 7 on 7-point Satisfaction Scale)

“Very easy to respond to ARIN Support, plus the website has made some major improvements over the last year. We were getting an IPv6 block and moving our legacy stuff to a new agreement, so it was easy.”

“Met all our needs in an uncomplicated and timely manner. The only issue was a lack of making it clear in e-mails and on the website how to start the process of signing a legacy agreement. By chance I decided to open a ticket to ask and that appears to be the only way to initiate the process.”

“Online interface is easy to use, tickets are acted on promptly and staff are very professional.”

“Quick turnaround on requests. No problems with being in touch with ARIN when needed.”

“We recently transferred an IP block from a seller to us as buyers. ARIN made the process very easy for us, they also helped through the process to obtain an ASN.”

“ARIN staff are top notch professionals. They take the time to address my issues, and personally ensure that everything is in good order.”

Reasons for Low Overall Satisfaction (1 or 2 on 7-point Satisfaction Scale)

“Very difficult to understand what all the legal requirements are. Seems everything is hidden on purpose.”

“Despite a huge pressure campaign for legacy resource holders to formally enter into an agreement, ARIN's process for obtaining a LRSA is maddening. ARIN's support desk is incapable of handling requests from government agencies concerning LRSAs.”

“High cost following price increase.”

“ARIN is blocking legacy resource holders from implementing security policies that benefit the entire Internet community. ARIN should be looking for any possible path to allow the most widespread implementation of security mechanisms that benefit the Internet like RPKI and DNSSEC.”

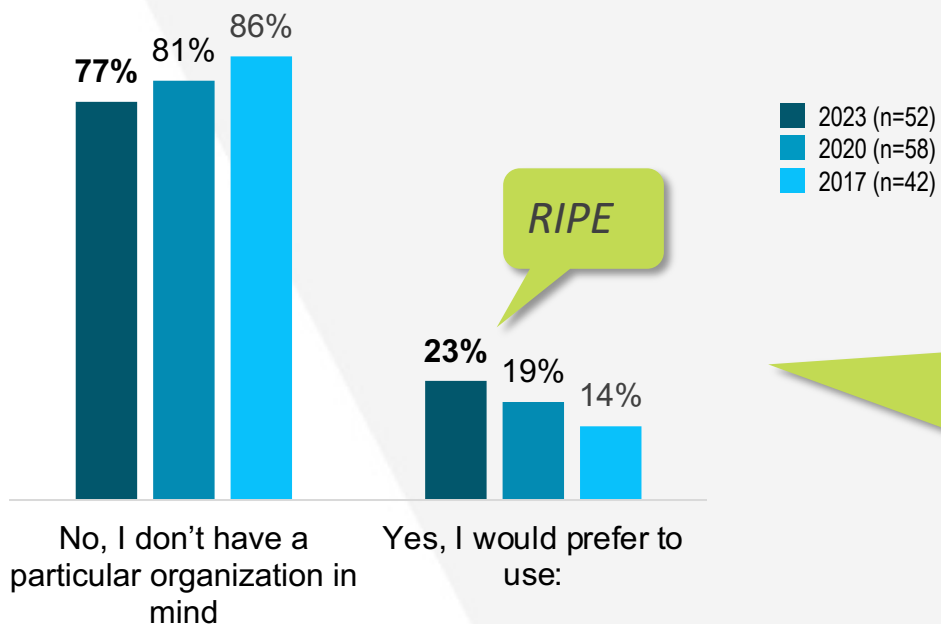
“This is my first time working with ARIN. We have IPs at our current data center from the Data-centers ASN, not our own ASN. As we grew, they suggested contacting ARIN for IPs. Everyone at both data-centers warned me that the experience with ARIN will be very difficult and challenging. I was not let down.”



While a quarter might prefer to use a different registry than ARIN if given a choice, only one in five can cite a specific organization they would prefer

Preferred Organizations over ARIN

(Among those who rated likelihood to continue using ARIN less than a 5 on a 7-point scale)



Reasons for Preferring other Organizations over ARIN

(Among those who had a particular organization in mind)

[LACNIC] "LACNIC have a lot of free great trainings and seminars. They work better in IPv6 implementation."

[RIPE NCC] "They put the community's needs first. For example, their IRR is exemplary, and they did not require a special agreement to access their RPKI TAL."

[RADB] "Fees are way lower. Able to add all of our subnets under one agreement."

[RIPE NCC] "Much like ARIN, the NCC operates with a clear set of mandates from the community. Those mandates are interpreted strictly in-line with what is written - while I'm sure interpretation plays some element, it's never caused a multi-week block on a ticket."

[RIPE] "Ease of use deploying RPKI, though ARIN has made good progress on that recently."

[RIPE] "Better tooling and Geo-IP support."

Clearer documentation, more educational resources, and offering flexibility in obtaining more IPv4 addresses are a few suggestions for ARIN to improve their services



How ARIN Can Better Serve Organizations in Specific Countries

"More educational resources for things like DNS Sec and RPKI. Also, more hosted troubleshooting tools like Looking Glass portals, IRR checks, RPKI/ROA tools, etc."

"Allow IPv6 registration without requiring new contract for previous IPv4 assignments. Some basic training/demos using videos on services offered."

"Would love to receive training on ARIN tools to become more proficient."

"It may benefit some smaller regional orgs to have "ARIN on the Road" visit some cities other than Vancouver and Toronto (common ARIN meeting locations)."

"Be more inviting, warm, friendly, etc. give simpler instructions. Just because I have a technical background doesn't mean I enjoy a working through a mundane technical process with steps that aren't always explained in simple form. In other words, don't write a 2-page instruction on how to draw a square unless it's really needed."

Additional Services ARIN Could Offer to Benefit Companies

"Bulk download of IP/ASN resource assignments, for anti-abuse purposes. (I think we qualify, but the pain of manually applying for access means it's thus far been easier to just spread our WHOIS queries across multiple locations, to evade rate limits.)"

"I would be interested in seeing ARIN examine opportunities to develop formal structured programs - possibly alongside partners like NANOG - to meaningfully contribute to IPv6 adoption. Not just basic education, but hands on labs, and thoughtful programs to reach out to segments of the industry that have a role to play in the transition to IPv6."

"More trainings designed through the observance of key internet trends which may be relevant to Arin's objectives."

"Identification of suballocations within ISPs when tracking down the source of IP addresses/traffic."

"More education and promotion of the routing registry and RPKI service."

Performance & Expectations

Overview of How Performance and Expectation are Measured

- A scorecard was developed by capturing perceived performance and expectation on 34 specific attributes grouped into 9 dimensions: Policy Development (6 items), Registration Services (4), Engineering (4), Financial Services (2), Communications/Outreach (7), ARIN Meetings (3), Customer Service (5), and Internet Governance (2), and Security (1).
- For each of the 34 items, community members were asked two questions:
 - 1) Performance: How well does this describe ARIN? (Scale of 1 to 10)
 - 2) Expectation: How well does this describe an “excellent” Internet Number Registry organization? (Scale of 1 to 10)*
- Actual success is defined as the gap between Expectation and Performance. In the long run, ARIN should focus on closing gaps to come as close as possible to (or even exceeding) expectations of community members.
- In its planning, ARIN should focus on gaps on individual items as well as the aggregate for each of the nine dimensions.
- The following pages report the scorecard results, starting with the high-level view across the 9 dimensions.



How to Read Scorecard Results

Example Performance and Expectations

% Describes ARIN/an Excellent Organization (Top 3 Box: 8-10)

		Expectations/Where Members Think ARIN Should Be (dotted line)				POINTS FROM EXPECTATIONS			
		2023	2020	2017	2014	2023	2020	2017	2014
Average Across the Relevant Performance Area	Overall Example	84% 80%	86% 72%	86% 62%	82% 57%	4	14	4	12
	Attribute #1	84% 79%	91% 79%	86% 68%	85% 60%	5	6	12	8
	Attribute #2	77% 63%	80% 65%	85% 56%	79% 54%	7	2	0	11

ARIN's Performance (solid bar)

Difference Between Expectation and Performance

Darker bars show current data (2023), and lighter bars show previous data (2020, 2017 and 2014)



Note: Data not real | Dashed lines show expectations | Q4. The following is a list of features you may expect from ARIN or a professional organization with a similar purpose. For each feature below, please provide two ratings: 1) ARIN's performance: rate how well each feature describes ARIN, 2) Your expectation: rate how well each feature describes an "excellent organization" with the same mission as ARIN.



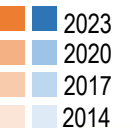
Since 2020, ARIN has moved closer to meeting expectations on most service dimensions, but the gaps on security and ARIN Meetings widened

- The overall quality gap decreased from 10 points in 2023 to 7 points in 2023. While performance dropped only 1 point, expectations decreased by 5 points, contributing to the smaller gap.

Overall (1 of 2) Performance and Expectations

% Describes ARIN/an Excellent Organization (Top 3 Box: 8-10)

					POINTS FROM EXPECTATIONS			
	2023		2020		2023	2020	2017	2014
Overall	85% 79%	90% 80%	85% 83%	88% 76%	7	10*	2	12
Internet Governance	85% 83%	90% 83%	80% 87%	88% 81%	2	7	-7	7
Policy Development	81% 78%	84% 79%	83% 82%	87% 74%	4	5	1	13
Financial Services	91% 86%	90% 84%	88% 86%	93% 83%	5	6	2	10
Security	87% 81%	87% 86%	89% 88%		6	1*	1	



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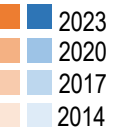
The largest gaps between performance and expectation in 2023 are in Meetings, Customer Service and Communications and Outreach

Overall (2 of 2) Performance and Expectations

% Describes ARIN/an Excellent Organization (Top 3 Box: 8-10)

POINTS FROM EXPECTATIONS

					2023	2020	2017	2014
Overall	85% 79%	90% 80%	85% 83%	88% 76%	7	10*	2	12
Registration Services	88% 79%	90% 80%	88% 82%	91% 77%	8	10*	6	14
Engineering	86% 79%	90% 79%	87% 85%	89% 79%	8	11	2	10
Communications and Outreach	82% 74%	84% 75%	83% 79%	87% 70%	9	9*	4	17
Customer Service	90% 81%	90% 81%	90% 83%	92% 79%	9	9	7	13
Meetings	77% 67%	74% 71%	81% 77%	77% 65%	10	3	4	12



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ARIN's overall quality gap on Internet Governance decreased since 2020, which is due to a combination of maintained performance and slightly lower expectations

ARIN Internet Governance Performance and Expectations

% Describes ARIN/an Excellent Organization (Top 3 Box: 8-10)

					POINTS FROM EXPECTATIONS			
					2023	2020	2017	2014
Overall ARIN Internet Governance	85% 83%	90% 83%	80% 87%	88% 81%	2	7	-7	7
Supports efforts to keep Internet number registries self-governed, as defined by the needs of their respective communities	85% 83%	92% 85%	84% 87%	90% 84%	1	7	-3	6
Takes an active role in Internet governance	85% 83%	88% 82%	76% 86%	86% 78%	2	6	-10	8



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ARIN's overall performance on Policy Development did not change much since 2020, but the quality gap narrowed slightly due to reduced expectations

- Those highly familiar with ARIN rate its performance on policy development higher than those less familiar, particularly on allowing individuals to participate, facilitating policy development processes, and creating a useful and fair resource.

ARIN Policy Development (1 of 2) Performance and Expectations

% Describes ARIN/an Excellent Organization (Top 3 Box: 8-10)

POINTS FROM EXPECTATIONS
2023 2020 2017 2014

	2023	2020	2017	2014	2023	2020	2017	2014
Overall ARIN Policy Development	81% 78%	84% 79%	83% 82%	87% 74%	4	5	1	13
Implements policy adhering to the community-developed and Board ratified policies, as they appear in the Number Resource Policy Manual	81% 85%	89% 85%	83% 88%	85% 81%	-4	4	-5	4
! The Advisory Council is effective in its role facilitating the Policy Development Process	77% 77%	79% 78%	76% 81%	83% 73%	0	1	-5	10
Policy Development Process allows any interested individual to participate	80% 78%	80% 79%	86% 80%	89% 71% ▽	2	1	6	18

2023
2020
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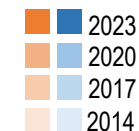
ARIN has an opportunity to improve on policy development processes that create fair number resource management and can respond quickly to changes

ARIN Policy Development (2 of 2) Performance and Expectations

% Describes ARIN/an Excellent Organization (Top 3 Box: 8-10)

2023 2020 2017 2014 **POINTS FROM EXPECTATIONS**

	2023	2020	2017	2014	2023	2020	2017	2014
Overall ARIN Policy Development	81% 78%	84% 79%	83% 82%	87% 74%	4	5	1	13
The Board is effective in their oversight of the Policy Development Process	85% 79%	85% 78%	82% 82%	90% 76%	6	7	0	14
⚠️ Policy Development Process allows policies to change quickly enough in response to changes in the industry	78% 70%	83% 73%	83% 78%	85% 69%	8	10	5	16
⚠️ Has a Policy Development Process which creates useful and fair Internet number resource management policy	88% 78%	87% 78%	87% 82%	90% 75%	10	9	5	15



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The quality gap for Financial Services narrowed slightly compared to 2020, with a slight improvement in performance but a slight increase in expectation

ARIN Financial Services Performance and Expectations

% Describes ARIN/an Excellent Organization (Top 3 Box: 8-10)

					POINTS FROM EXPECTATIONS			
	2023		2020		2023	2020	2017	2014
Overall ARIN Financial Services	91% 86%	90% 84%	88% 86%	93% 83%	5	6	2	10
Provides timely and appropriate responses for billing and administration inquiries	90% 86%	89% 83%	91% 86%	93% 84%	3	5	5	9
Invoicing and payment processing procedures are explained clearly	92% 85%	92% 86%	86% 86%	93% 81%	7	6	0	12



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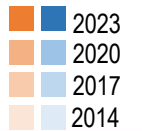


ARIN experienced a drop in performance on Security from 2020 and is no longer close to meeting expectations

ARIN Security Performance and Expectations

% Describes ARIN/an Excellent Organization (Top 3 Box: 8-10)

				2023	POINTS FROM EXPECTATIONS		
	2023	2020	2017	2023	2020	2017	2014
Overall ARIN Security	87% 81%	87% 86%	89% 88%	6	1*	1	<i>Not asked</i>
Services meet the security needs of my organization*	87% 81%	87% 86%	89% 88%△	6	1*	1	<i>Not asked</i>



*Note: Attribute wording changed from 2017 to 2020 and results are not comparable. 2017 attribute: "Ensures a high level of security."

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Registration Services remains an opportunity due to its gap, though the gap narrowed slightly since 2020 and is better than the baseline

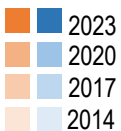
- The largest quality gap is now in processing transfer requests in a timely manner, an important loyalty driver where expectations have increased

ARIN Registration Services Performance and Expectations

% Describes ARIN/an Excellent Organization (Top 3 Box: 8-10)

POINTS FROM EXPECTATIONS
2023 2020 2017 2014

	2023	2020	2017	2014	2023	2020	2017	2014
Overall ARIN Registration Services*	88% 79%	90% 80%	88% 82%	91% 77%	8	10*	6*	14*
! Resource requests are processed in a timely manner	86% 80%	92% 80%	83% 84%	95% Δ 80%	6	12	-1	15
The Registration Services Department adheres to policies published in the Number Resource Policy Manual	93% 86%	92% 86%	91% 88%	92% 90%	7	6	3	2
The process to obtain Internet number resources is clear and straightforward	83% 73%	91% 74%	83% 75%	89% 65% ∇	9	17	8	24
! Transfer requests are processed in a timely manner	89% 78%	86% 79%	91% 80%	92% 75%	11	7	11	17



*Note: "The transfer listing service operates at a high level of quality, usability, and reliability" was removed in 2020 and therefore the overall score for Registration Services for 2020 is not comparable to previous years.



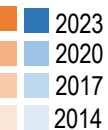
The overall quality gap for Engineering decreased from 2020 due to a lowered expectations, but performance across dimensions was unchanged

- Easily understandable tools and resources remains the biggest opportunity area, while the gaps on providing relevant and useful tools/resources and timely delivery had smaller gaps compared to 2020 but still warrant attention due to their importance

ARIN Engineering Performance and Expectations

% Describes ARIN/an Excellent Organization (Top 3 Box: 8-10)

					POINTS FROM EXPECTATIONS			
	2023	2020	2017	2014	2023	2020	2017	2014
Overall ARIN Engineering	86% 79%	90% 79%	87% 85%	89% 79%	8	11	2	10
Technical services operate at a high level of quality and reliability	91% 90%	94% 86%	90% 92%	92% 85%	1	8	-2	7
⚠ Provides tools and user resources that are relevant and useful to me	83% 77%	90% 78%	88% 86%△	88% 78%	6	11	2	10
⚠ New technical services and enhancements are delivered in a timely manner	81% 72%	86% 73%	82% 81%△	85% 70%	9	12	1	15
Tools and resources (such as WHOIS, WhoWas, DNS, RDAP, IRR, RPKI, etc) are easy to understand	90% 77%	90% 77%	89% 80%	92% 82%	13	13	9	10



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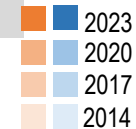
On Communications and Outreach, ARIN improved on communicating their activities and providing useful training materials, but should focus on how it communicates

- ARIN should also focus on offering opportunities for obtaining feedback

ARIN Comms/Outreach (1 of 2) Performance and Expectations

% Describes ARIN/an Excellent Organization (Top 3 Box: 8-10)

					2023	POINTS FROM EXPECTATIONS		
					2023	2020	2017	2014
Overall ARIN Communications and Outreach*	82% 74%	84% 75%	83% 79%	87% 70%	9	9*	4*	17*
Clearly communicates the organization's activities (meetings, elections, etc.)	82% 76%	87% 77%	87% 82%	79% 70%	6	10	5	9
Provides training and materials that are useful to me	70% 63%	77% 66%			8	12	<i>Not asked</i>	<i>Not asked</i>
⚠ Communicates in a way that meets my needs	86% 78%	91% 79%	88% 81%	90% 74%	8	12	7	16
⚠ Offers sufficient opportunities to obtain customer and member feedback	86% 76%	83% 81%	75% 78%	87% 71%	9	2	-3	16



*Note: "Provides training and materials that are useful to me" was added in 2020 and therefore the overall score for Communications and Outreach for 2020 is not comparable to previous years.

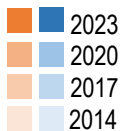


Performance falls short of community expectations in terms of being transparent, communicating future plans, and the website being easily navigable

ARIN Comms/Outreach (2 of 2) Performance and Expectations

% Describes ARIN/an Excellent Organization (Top 3 Box: 8-10)

					2023	POINTS FROM EXPECTATIONS		
					2023	2020	2017	2014
Overall ARIN Communications and Outreach*	82% 74%	84% 75%	83% 79%	87% 70%	9	9*	4*	17*
Clearly communicates the organization's future plans	79% 70%	76% 67%	79% 74%	85% 68%	10	8	5	17
Is a transparent organization	90% 79%	91% 78%	84% 83%	90% 71% ▽	10	13	1	19
I am able to easily navigate the website to find the content I need	84% 73%	86% 77%	86% 74%	90% 68%	10	9	12	22



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ARIN Customer Service performance and the overall quality gap remain the same as 2020, with the biggest gap being in providing clear and accurate information

ARIN Customer Service Performance and Expectations

% Describes ARIN/an Excellent Organization (Top 3 Box: 8-10)

2023

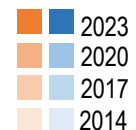
POINTS FROM EXPECTATIONS

2020

2017

2014

	2023	2020	2017	2014	2023	2020	2017	2014
Overall ARIN Customer Service	90% 81%	90% 81%	90% 83%	92% 79%	9	9	7	13
! Staff interacts effectively with customers and members	88% 81%	88% 81%	90% 84%	89% 79%	7	7	6	10
! Staff works with customers to resolve complex issues	88% 81%	88% 80%	90% 85%	94% 77%	7	9	5	17
! Has the right people for the job on staff	91% 83%	89% 86%	88% 84%	91% 81%	8	3	4	10
Provides timely responses to requests	94% 84%	94% 79%	97% 81%	95% 81%	9	15	16	14
! Provides clear and accurate information to customers and members	90% 78%	90% 80%	86% 83%	92% 76%	12	10	3	16



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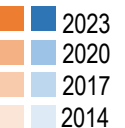
Performance decreased while expectations increased since 2020, resulting in an increase in the overall quality gap

- Members rate ARIN’s performance on meeting content higher than other community members (61% vs 42%). Further, those who are highly familiar with ARIN rate the meeting content higher (65% vs 44% who are less familiar).
- ISPs rate ARIN higher on election process features than non-ISPs (88% vs. 65%)

ARIN Meetings Performance and Expectations

% Describes ARIN/an Excellent Organization (Top 3 Box: 8-10)

					POINTS FROM EXPECTATIONS			
	2023		2020		2023	2020	2017	2014
Overall ARIN Meetings	77% 67%	74% 71%	81% 77%	77% 65%	10	3	4	12
Election process for the Board and Advisory Council is clear and transparent	78% 71%	83% 77%	91% 81% [△]	82% 74%	6	6	10	8
The content and activities of meetings are at a level of importance and interest that I want to attend	69% 59%	64% 61%	73% 71% [△]	67% 53%	10	3	2	14
Election process is easy to understand and use by eligible voters	84% 72%	76% 74%	80% 80%	81% 68%	13	2	0	13



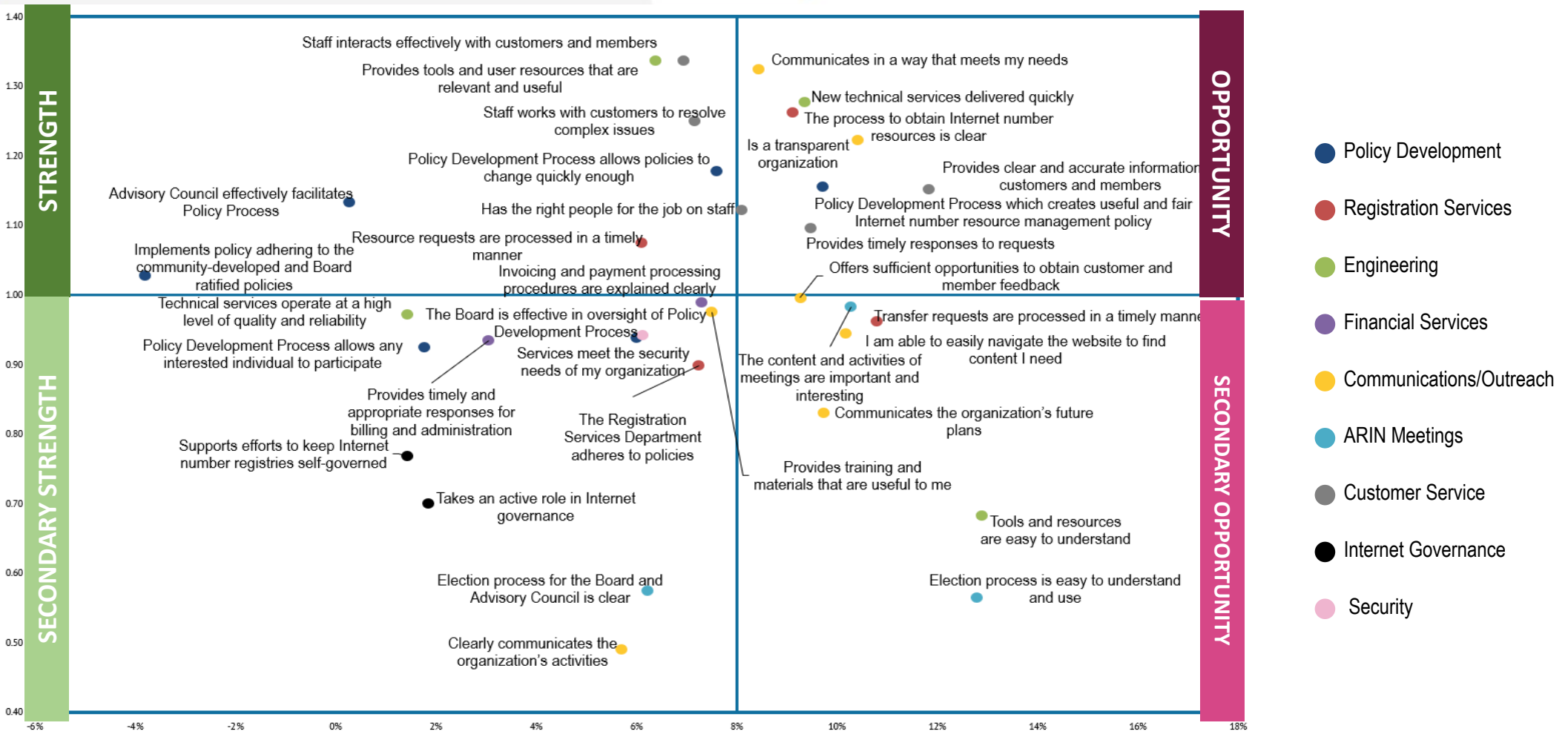
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- A quadrant map classifies different performance attributes by their level of priority. Each of the 34 attributes is plotted by (a) its importance in driving overall loyalty, and (b) by the size of the performance gap.
 - Importance was derived statistically based on how well an attribute explains the mean loyalty index (average of satisfaction with meeting needs, satisfaction with value, and likelihood to continue using ARIN)
- Attributes in the same performance dimension are indicated by their marker colors
- The quadrant map on the following slide is divided into four areas:
 - **Strengths** (High Importance and Small Gap) – these areas define the ARIN's current added value
 - **Opportunities** (High Importance and Large Gap) – these areas should be the top focus to improve satisfaction and loyalty
 - **Secondary Strengths** (Lower Importance and Small Gap) – these strengths could be leveraged to shore up loyalty
 - **Secondary Opportunities** (Lower Importance but Large gaps) – these areas could be problems if not addressed, but are not priorities



ARIN is equally strong in staff interactions with members and providing useful tools and resources, while major opportunity areas include communications (i.e., meeting needs, transparency) and customer service (i.e., timely responses, providing clear information).

IMPACT ON MEAN LOYALTY



PERFORMANCE GAP (EXPECTATIONS MINUS PERFORMANCE)

Wording of some features has been shortened due to space constraints. See following slides for full feature text.



Providing relevant tools, policy adaptation, resolving issues, and timely resource requests shifted from opportunities in 2020 to strengths, while former strengths (having the right people for the job and obtaining member feedback) have become opportunities

Quadrant Change Summary

STRENGTH	<input type="checkbox"/> Staff interacts effectively with customers and members	<input type="checkbox"/> Communicates in a way that meets my needs
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Provides tools and user resources that are relevant and useful to me	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New technical services and enhancements are delivered in a timely manner
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Implements policy adhering to the community-developed and Board ratified policies, as they appear in the Number Resource Policy Manual	<input type="checkbox"/> The process to obtain Internet number resources is clear and straightforward
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Staff works with customers to resolve complex issues	<input type="checkbox"/> Is a transparent organization
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Policy Development Process allows policies to change quickly in response to industry changes	<input type="checkbox"/> Provides clear and accurate information to customers and members
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resource requests are processed in a timely manner	<input type="checkbox"/> Policy Development Process creates useful/fair Internet number resource management policy
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Advisory Council is effective in its role facilitating the Policy Development Process	<input type="checkbox"/> Provides timely responses to requests
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Takes an active role in Internet governance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Offers sufficient opportunities to obtain customer and member feedback
	<input type="checkbox"/> Technical services operate at a high level of quality and reliability	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Has the right people for the job on staff
	<input type="checkbox"/> Policy Development Process allows any interested individual to participate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transfer requests are processed in a timely manner
SECONDARY STRENGTH	<input type="checkbox"/> Provides timely and appropriate responses for billing and administration inquiries	<input type="checkbox"/> I am able to easily navigate the website to find the content I need
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Supports efforts to keep Internet number registries self-governed, as defined by the needs of their respective communities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The content and activities of meetings are at a level of importance and interest that I want to attend
	<input type="checkbox"/> Election process for the Board and Advisory Council is clear and transparent	<input type="checkbox"/> Clearly communicates the organization's future plans
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clearly communicates the organization's activities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Election process is easy to understand and use by eligible voters
	<input type="checkbox"/> The Registration Services Department adheres to policies published in the Number Resource Policy Manual	<input type="checkbox"/> Tools and resources (such as WHOIS, WhoWas, DNS, RDAP, IRR, RPKI, etc) are easy to understand
	<input type="checkbox"/> Services meet the security needs of my organization (new in 2020)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Invoicing and payment processing procedures are explained clearly	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Provides training and materials that are useful to me (new in 2020)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> The Board is effective in their oversight of the Policy Development Process	

OPPORTUNITY

SECONDARY OPPORTUNITY

Perceptions & Positioning



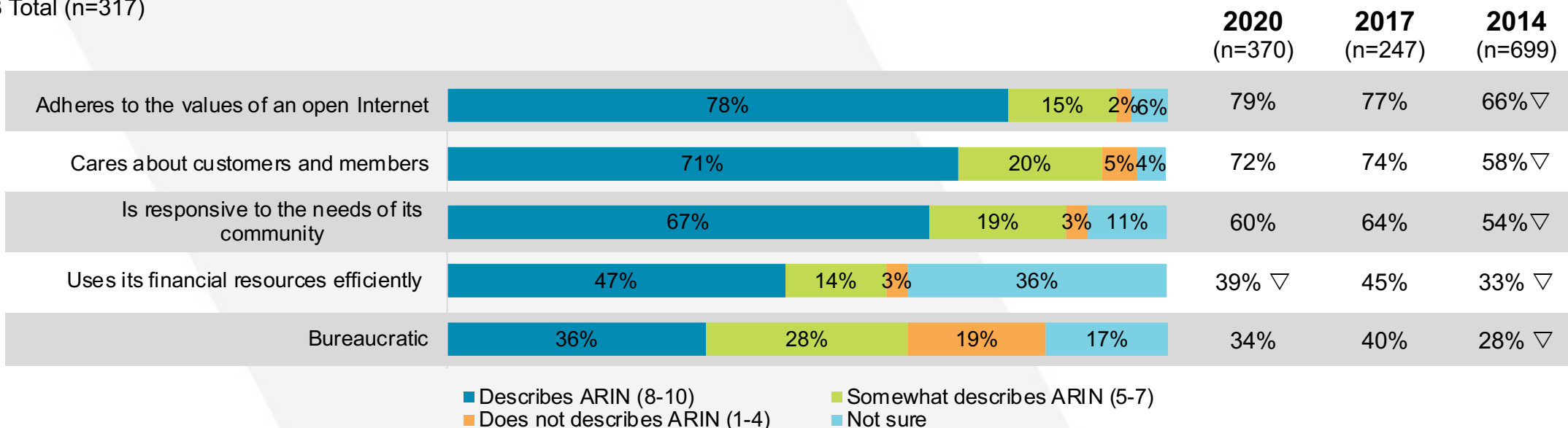
A majority of community members continue to believe ARIN adheres to the values of an open Internet and cares about customers and members

- Perceptions of how ARIN uses its financial resources have improved since 2020 but uncertainty remains high.
- Those more familiar with ARIN continue to have more positive perceptions about its image.
- Although uncertainty about ARIN as bureaucratic has increased since 2017, those from ISPs and organizations with less than 100 employees are more likely to view ARIN as bureaucratic.

Describes ARIN (8-10)

Descriptions of ARIN

2023 Total (n=317)





Priorities for improving ARIN’s image remain in perceptions of how it uses financial resources and responsiveness to the needs of its community

- Community members are less familiar with ARIN’s efforts in using its resources efficiently.

ARIN Image

2023 Total (n=317)

	Priority Index*	Importance^	% Describes Well (8-10)
Uses its financial resources efficiently	1.3	24%	47%
Is responsive to the needs of its community	1.0	26%	67%
Cares about customers and members	0.7	25%	71%
Adheres to the values of an open Internet	0.4	20%	78%
Bureaucratic**	0.3	5%	36%

A Priority Index identifies areas where ARIN should focus most on managing its image. The highest indexed area is in the perception of using financial resources efficiently. Convincing people ARIN is effective here will have the greatest impact on loyalty.

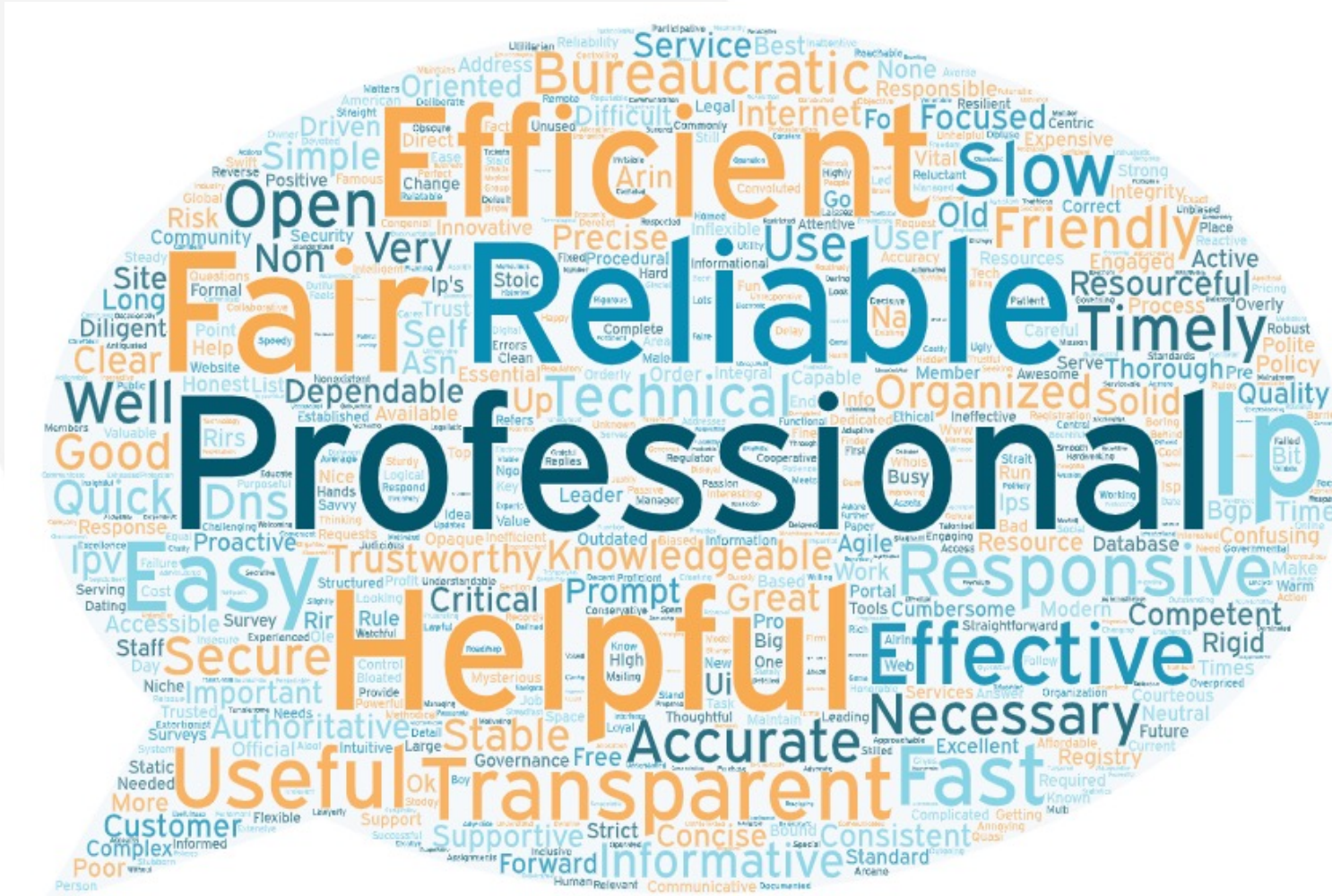
*Priority Index = Importance x % Needs Improvement (rated 1-7) * 10 **Given the negative connotation of “bureaucratic,” % improvement is flipped (rated 8-10) for this attribute when input into the priority index calculation

^Based on correlation with likelihood to continue using ARIN in Q3 | Q11. Please tell us how well the following statements describe ARIN. |

Perceptions of ARIN remain generally positive, with ‘professional’, ‘reliable’, ‘helpful’, ‘fair’, and ‘efficient’ being the most popular adjectives used to describe ARIN



Perceptions of ARIN



Q11a. We are interested in your perceptions of ARIN. What are three adjectives you would use to describe ARIN?
Note: numbers may not sum exactly to 100% due to rounding

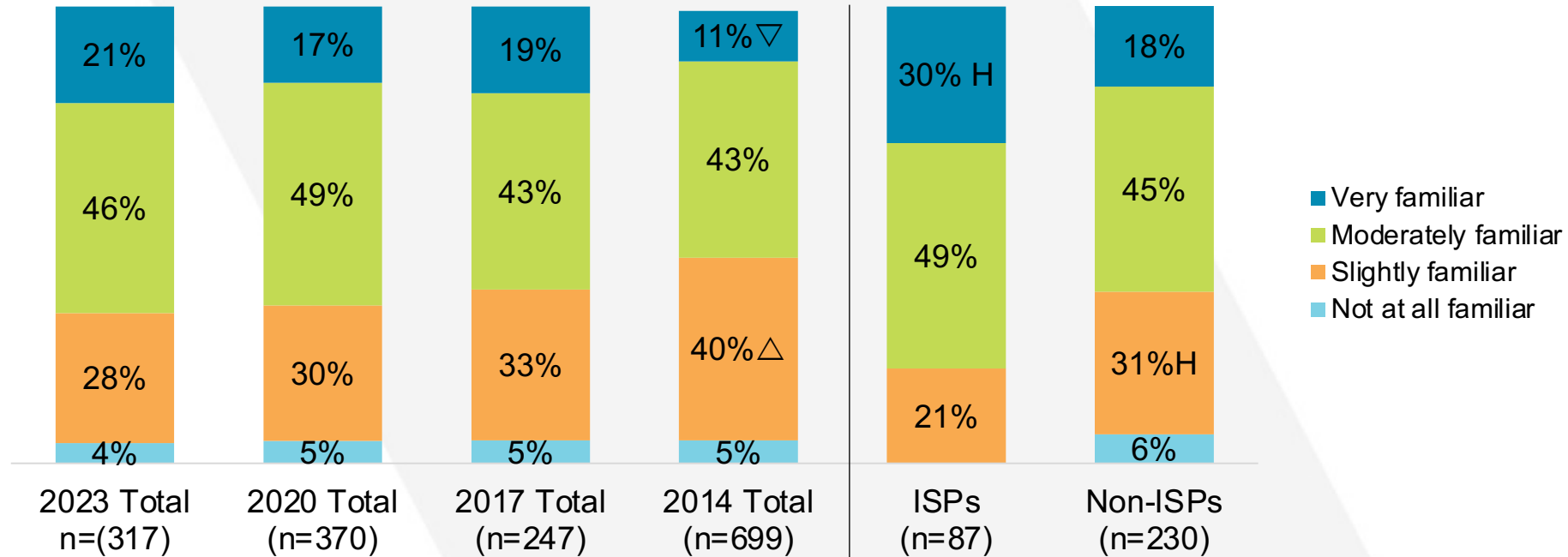
Familiarity & Usage of ARIN Products & Services



Two-thirds of community members are moderately or very familiar with ARIN and its activities, about the same as 2020

- Familiarity is higher among ARIN members and community members from ISPs.

Familiarity with ARIN

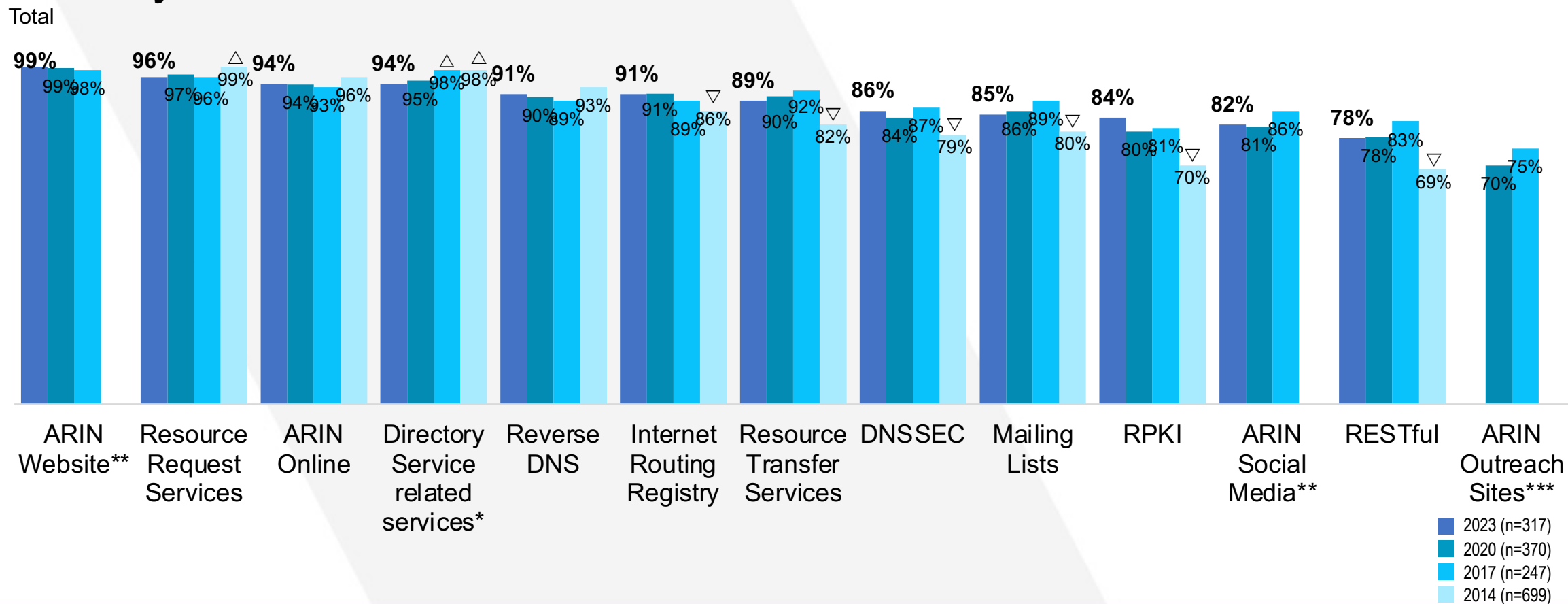




A significant portion of community members are familiar with all ARIN products and services

- Levels of familiarity are similar to 2020 for all services.

Familiarity with ARIN Products and Services



Q7. Below is a list of services and products developed by ARIN. For each one, please indicate how frequently you use each product or service (not familiar was an option)
 ▽ Δ Denotes significantly higher/lower than 2023 | *Note: Slight word change from 2017 | **Note: New question/addition in 2017 | ***Note: Attribute removed in 2023



The ARIN website, directory service-related services, and ARIN online are still the most frequently used products and services, while usage of the Internet Routing Registry, RPKI, and DNSSEC increased from 2020

Use of ARIN Products and Services**	Percent Used			2023 (n=317)	2020 (n=370)	2017 (n=247)	2014 (n=699)
	2023 Total (n=317)	2020	2017				
ARIN Website	51%	46%	2%	97%	96%	94%	Not asked
Directory Service related services*	50%	34%	10%	84%	86%	91%△	91%△
ARIN Online	40%	49%	5%	89%	86%	83%	88%
Mailing Lists	31%	28%	26%	59%	57%	58%	34%▽
Internet Routing Registry	27%	52%	12%	79%	72%▽	69%▽	55%▽
Reverse DNS	26%	47%	18%	73%	69%	68%	67%▽
RPKI	18%	34%	32%	52%	38%▽	30%▽	18%▽
DNSSEC	17%	31%	38%	48%	40%▽	41%	25%▽
RESTful	15%	27%	36%	42%	37%	44%	27%▽
ARIN Social Media	14%	21%	47%	35%	32%	38%	Not asked
Resource Request Services	11%	75%	10%	86%	83%	87%	92%△
Resource Transfer Services	4%	44%	41%	48%	52%	55%	30%▽

■ Use Monthly or More
 ■ Use Less than Monthly
 ■ Never Use

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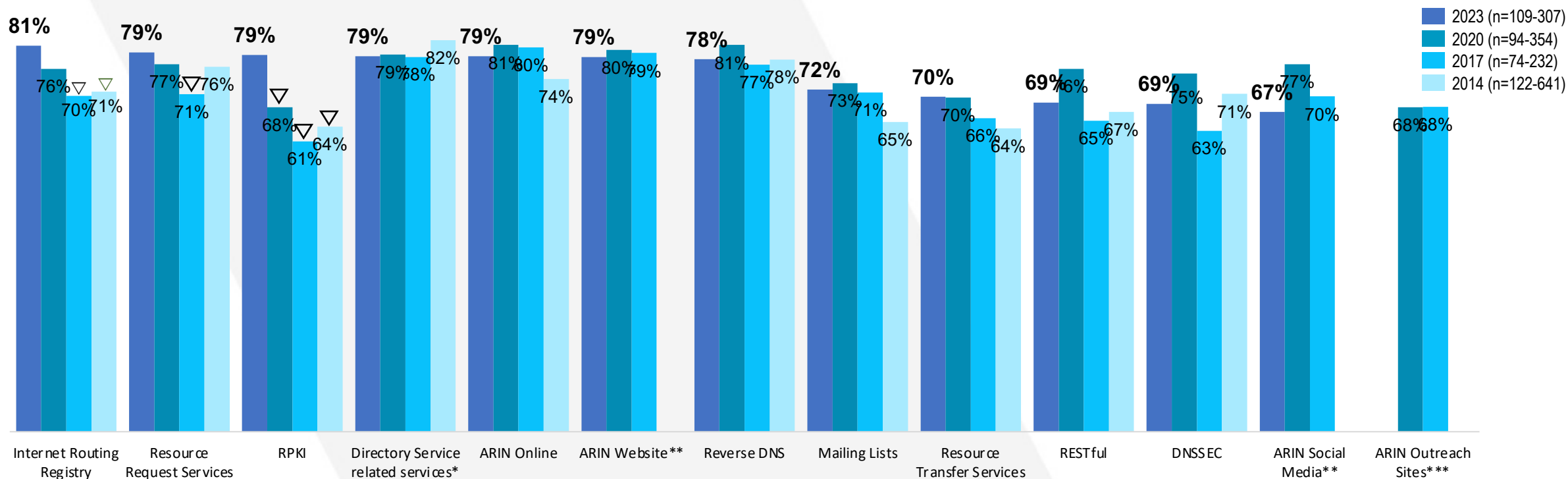
▽△ Denotes significantly higher/lower than 2023 | *Note: word change in 2020 | Note: % not familiar not shown | Note: numbers may not sum exactly due to rounding | ***Note: Attribute ARIN Outreach Sites removed in 2023



Satisfaction remains high with ARIN's most frequently used products and services with a significant increase for RPKI and upward movement for the Internet Routing Registry and Resource Service Requests

Satisfaction with ARIN Products and Services - % Highly Satisfied (6-7)

Among those who have used product or service



Q8. How satisfied are you with each of the following products and services offered by ARIN?

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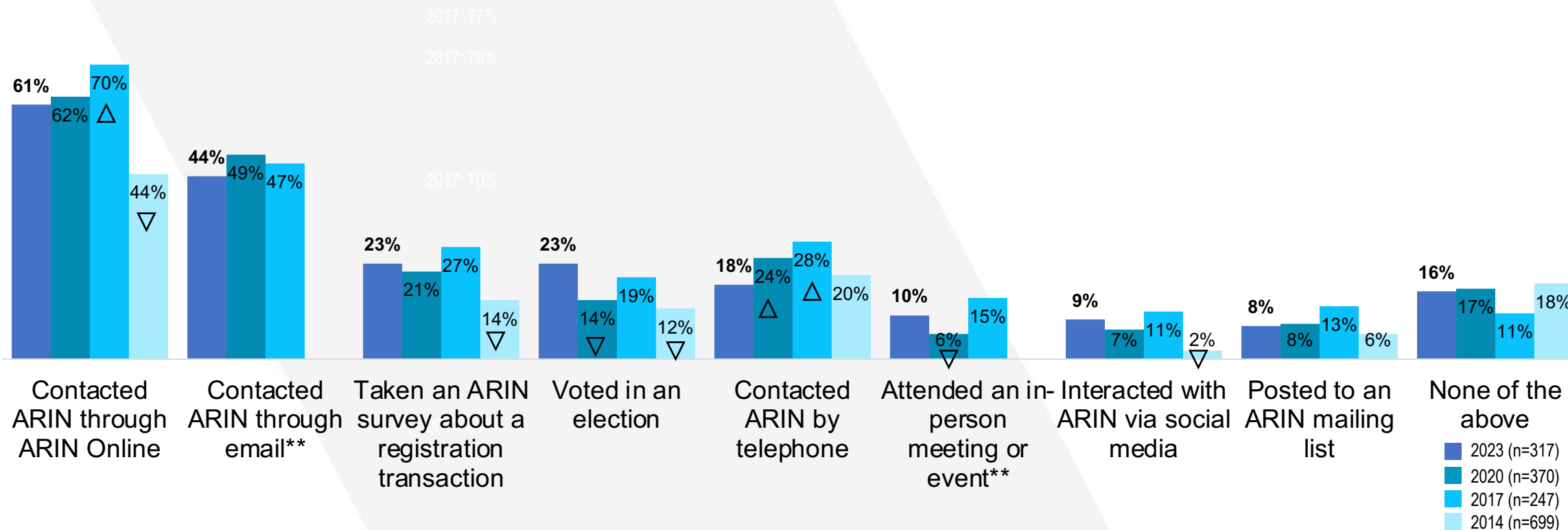


ARIN Online is still the most common way members of the community contact ARIN, although less so since 2017

- Since 2017, the overall incidence of contact with ARIN has decreased.
- Not surprisingly, attendance at in-person meetings or events has increased since 2020.

Contact with ARIN in the Past 12 Months

Total



2017: 77%

2017: 79%

2017: 70%

■ 2023 (n=317)
 ■ 2020 (n=370)
 ■ 2017 (n=247)
 ■ 2014 (n=699)

Q12. In the past 12 months, in which of the following ways have you contacted and/or interacted with ARIN? Please check all that apply
 ▽ △ Denotes significantly higher/lower than 2023 | **Note: New question/addition in 2017



Email and ARIN Online are still the most common ways to receive information and the most preferred, although preference for email dropped since 2020

Current Method of Receiving Information/Updates from ARIN**

Total

How Information Was Received*	2023 (n=317)	2020 (n=370)	2017 (n=247)
Email	82%	88% Δ	85%
ARIN Online	58%	58%	65%
ARIN Mailing List*	40%	<i>Not asked</i>	<i>Not asked</i>
Social Media	10%	12%	19% Δ
Webcasts/Virtual Meetings	12%	12%	7% ▽
In-person meetings or events	10%	5% Δ	13%
Phone	8%	11%	16% Δ
Postal mail	3%	5%	11% Δ
Other	1%	1%	2%
Not Sure	1%	4% Δ	4% Δ

Preferred Method of Receiving Information/Updates from ARIN

Total

Preferred Method*	2023 (n=317)	2020 (n=370)	2017 (n=247)	2014 (n= 699)
Email	84%	92% Δ	91% Δ	77%
ARIN Online	47%	47%	56% Δ	57%Δ
ARIN Mailing List*	32%	<i>Not asked</i>	<i>Not asked</i>	<i>Not asked</i>
Webcasts/Virtual Meetings**	17%	18%	15%	<i>Not asked</i>
In-person meetings or events	13%	11%	14%	2% ▽
Social Media**	8%	9%	17% Δ	<i>Not asked</i>
Phone	8%	10%	13%	26% Δ
Postal mail	4%	6%	6%	2%
Not sure	2%	2%	2%	1%
Other	0%	1%	1%	1%

Q13a. In the past 12 months, in which of the following ways have you received information and/or updates from ARIN? | Q13b. What are your preferred method(s) of receiving information and/or updates from ARIN? Please check all that apply
 ▽ Δ Denotes significantly higher/lower than 2023 | **Note: New question/addition in 2017 | *Note: New question/addition in 2023



Participation in the Policy Development process experienced a slight increase since 2020, the top reasons for not participating being a lack of time and knowledge on how to participate

- Community members with 21 or more years in their profession are more likely to be happy with ARIN policy not see a need to get involved.

Participation in the ARIN Policy Development Process in the Past 12 Months



Method of Participation**	2023 (n=32)	2020 (n=26*)	2017 (n=35)
Among those participating			
Attended a Public Policy and Members' Meeting – In-person	47%	31%	57%
Attended a Public Policy and Members' Meeting – Remotely (webcast)	34%	62%	29%
Posted to the General Members Mailing List***	34%	Not asked	Not asked
Posted to the Public Policy Mailing List	25%	58%	60%

Reason for Not Participating*	2023 (n=285)	2020 (n=344)	2017 (n=212)	2014 (n=663)
Among those not participating				
I do not have time to participate	41%	33%▽	31%▽	26%▽
I do not know how to participate	32%	33%	35%	Not asked
I did not think I was eligible to participate	25%	22%	33%△	Not asked
I am happy with ARIN policy and do not see a need to get involved	22%	25%	18%	23%
I do not think I can have an impact on ARIN policy	17%	17%	21%	22%
I do not have any interest in participating	15%	11%	12%	13%△
I do not have the resources to participate	12%	16%	12%	18%△

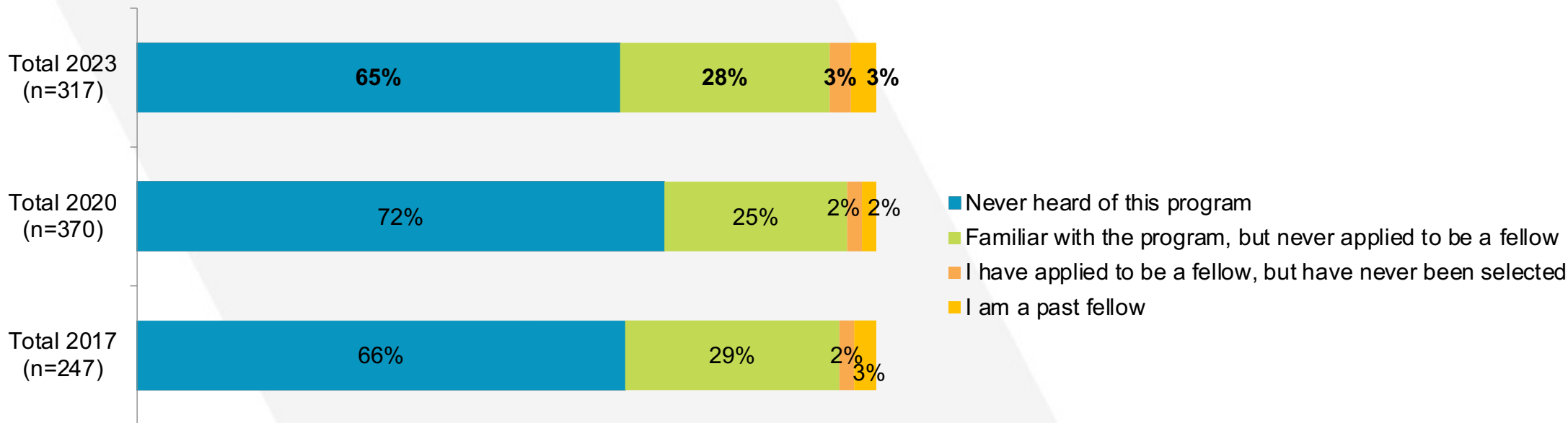


Familiarity with the ARIN Fellowship program remains low with about two-thirds having never heard of the program

- Members, those highly familiar with ARIN, ISPs, and Network Engineers are more likely to be familiar with the ARIN Fellowship program.

Familiarity with the ARIN Fellowship Program**

Total



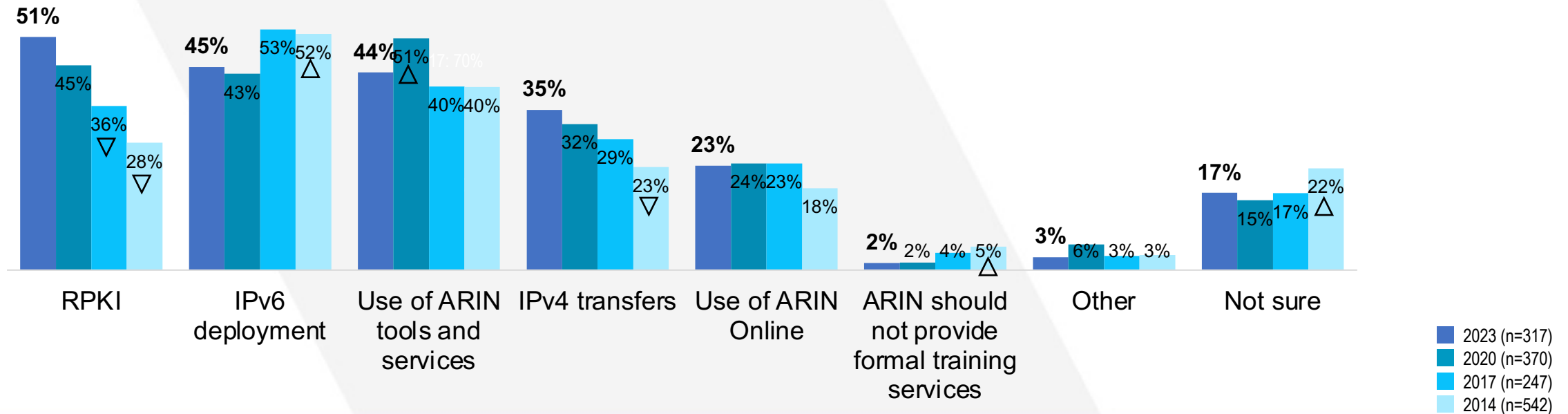


Interest in RPKI training continues to trend up since the baseline year

- There was a significant decline in Interest in how to use ARIN tools and services from 2020.

Training Interest

Total



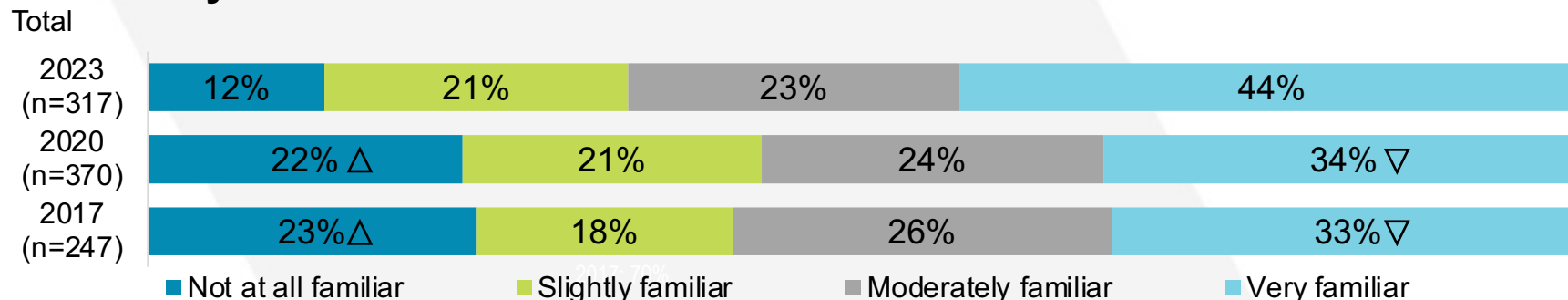
Q16. For which of the following topics would you be interested in formal training provided by ARIN? Please select all that apply.
▽ △ Denotes significantly higher/lower than 2023



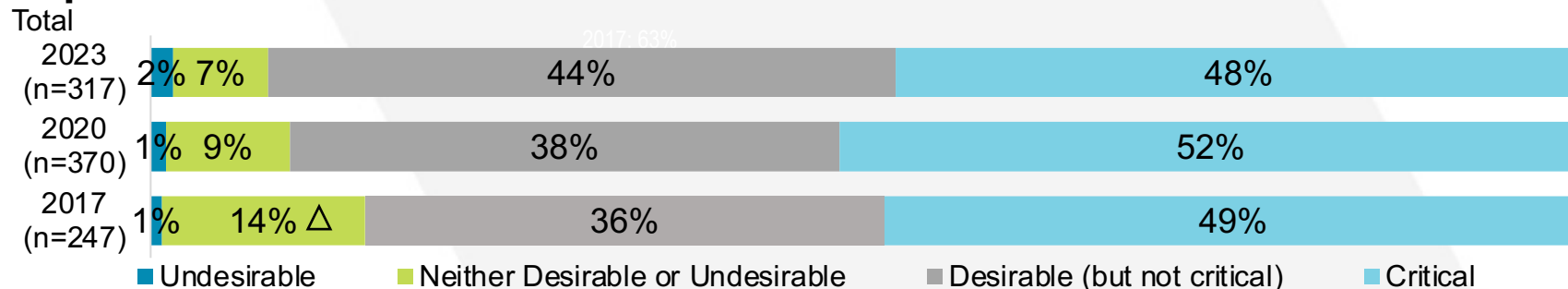
Awareness of ARIN's annual POC validation process increased since 2020; two-thirds are at least moderately familiar with it and approximately half believe it is a critical process

- ISP members are more likely than Non-ISP members to be very familiar with the POC validation process (60% vs 37%) and believe it is critical (57% vs 44%).

Familiarity with ARIN's Annual POC Validation Process**



Importance of ARIN's Annual POC Validation Process**

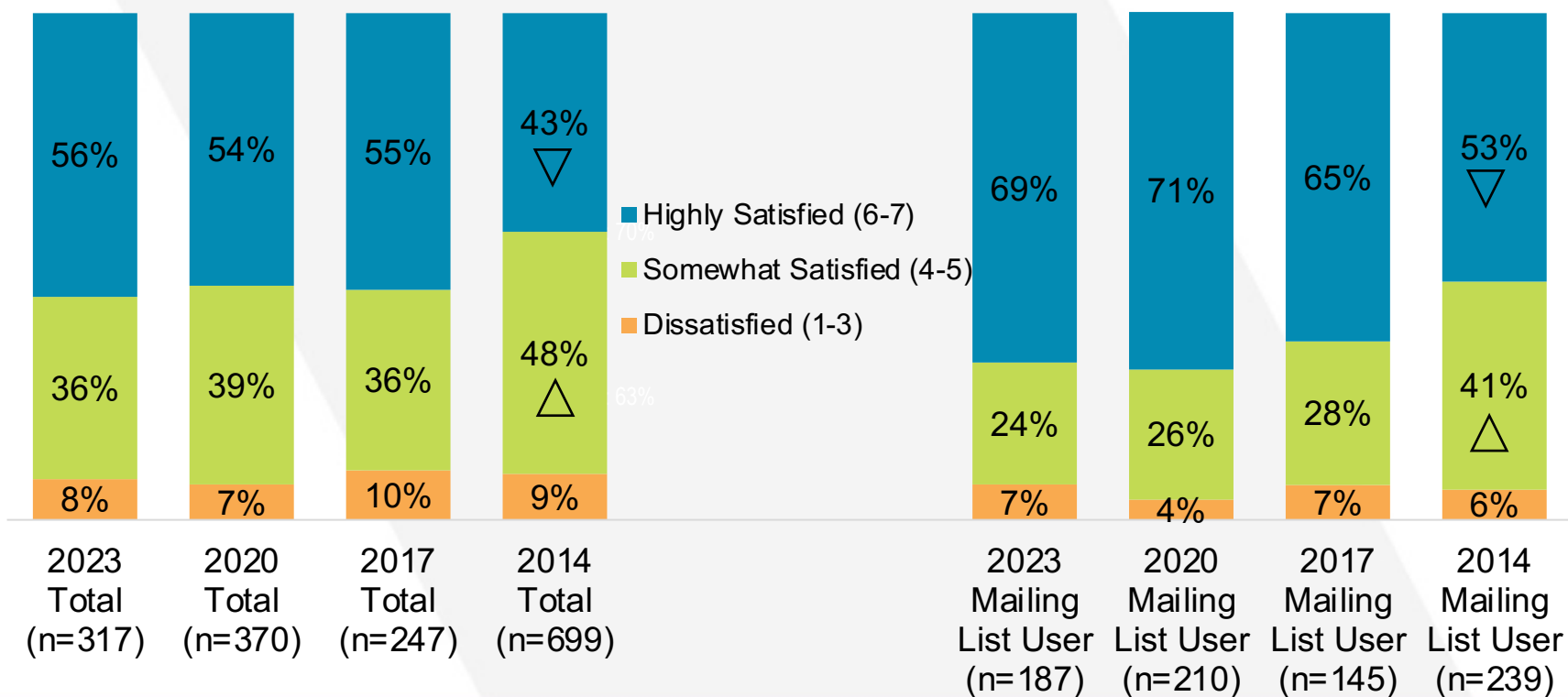




Satisfaction with ARIN's mailing list has remained stable since 2017 with over half of community members and more than two thirds of users being highly satisfied

- Satisfaction among users has remained stable since 2014.

Mailing List Satisfaction



Mailing List Examples Shown in Survey

- ARIN Announce
- ARIN Public Policy Mailing List
- ARIN Consult
- ARIN Suggest
- ARIN Tech Discuss
- ARIN Issued



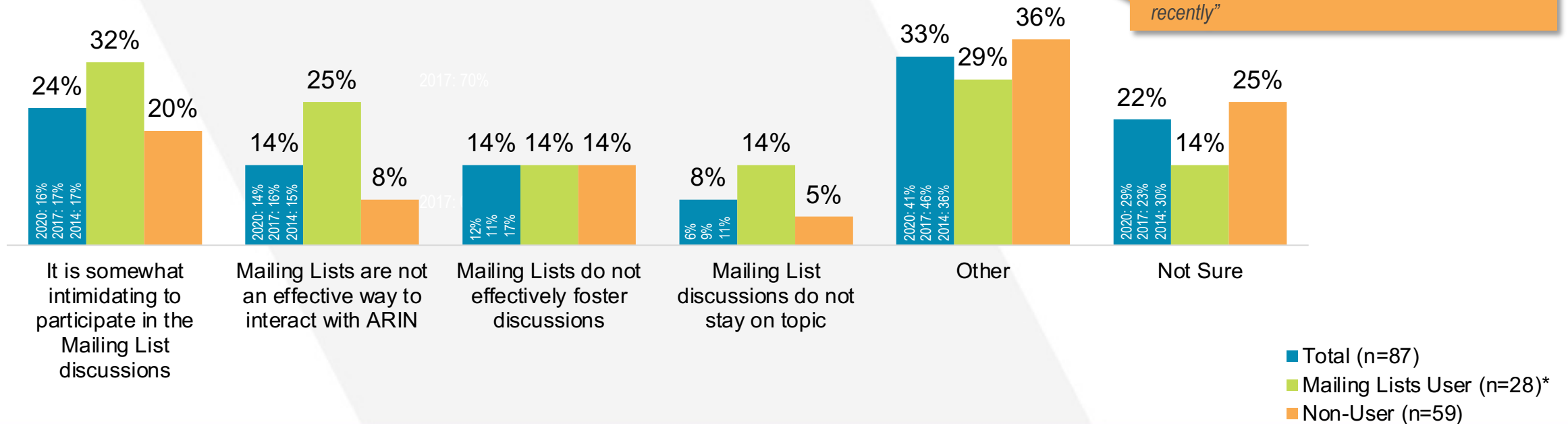
Unsatisfied mailing list users believe the process is intimidating and ineffective, similar to 2020

- Non-users of mailing lists still have low satisfaction largely due to low awareness of the lists.

Reasons for Lower Satisfaction

(Among those who rated satisfaction less than a 5 on a 7-point scale)

“Visual structure is important to conversation and mailing lists are increasingly difficult to read the further the topic goes.”
 “Mailing lists are relatively inactive”
 “Didn't know they existed”
 “Didn't know about the mailing lists until very recently”



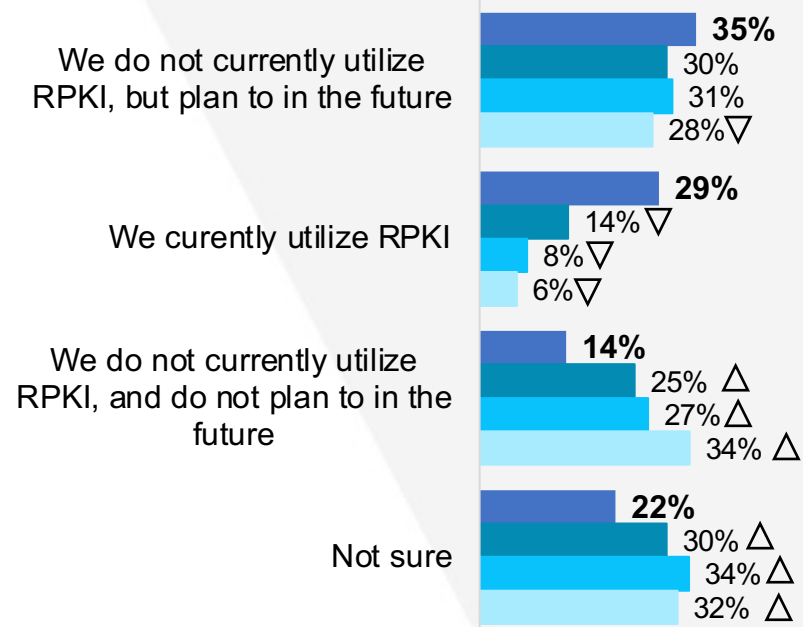


RPKI usage has more than doubled since 2020 but usage is still less than a third of organizations and IPv6 deployment also increased

- Community members who are highly familiar with ARIN and those in their profession 10 years or less are most likely to utilize RPKI in the future.

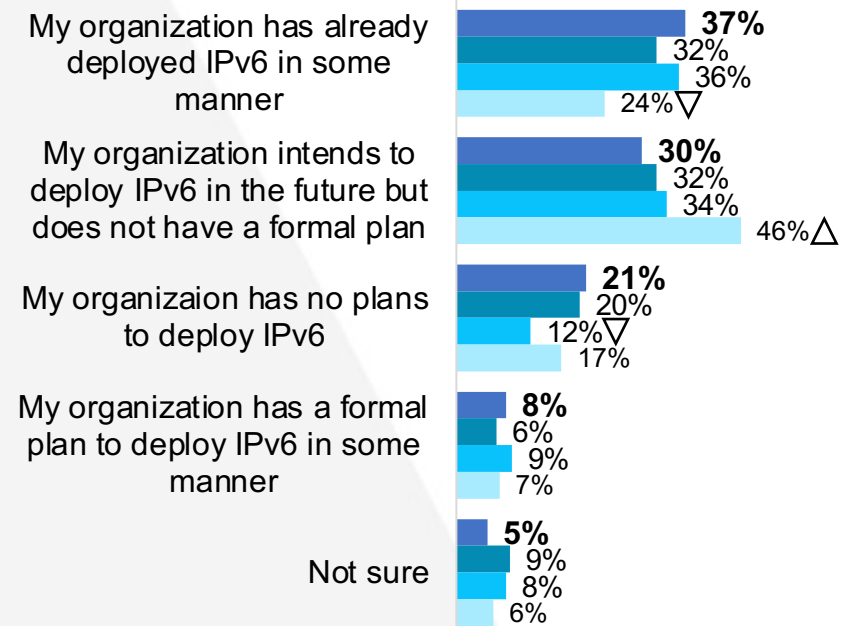
RPKI Usage

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IPv6 Deployment

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American Innovation Index™

What is the American Innovation Index™ (Aii)?

ARIN
American Registry for Internet Numbers

- An ambitious program that ranks nearly 200 U.S. companies across 20 industries, including ISPs, television providers and wireless phone companies, on their level of innovativeness, as viewed through the eyes of their customers.
- The Aii program began in 2018 and is conducted by Rockbridge Associates, Inc., in partnership with the Gabelli School of Business at Fordham University and the Center for Innovation at the Norwegian School of Economics (NHH).
- Researchers at the Norwegian School of Economics (NHH) believed **the true indicator of innovativeness in a market is what can be gleaned from the actual experiences of consumers.**
- **Innovativeness is an important feature for companies to address in their strategy because it correlates with loyalty and predicts higher stock returns.** A company may actually invest too much in ensuring high satisfaction and not enough in new and innovative ways of meeting customer needs. Social innovation is also an area of emerging importance in a business environment.





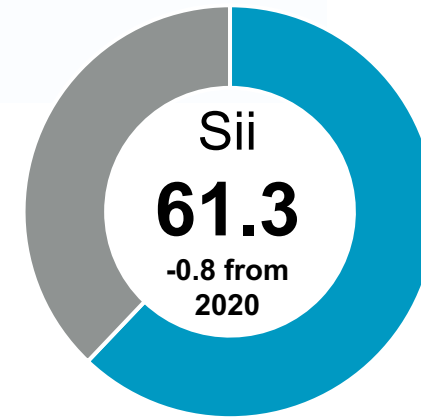
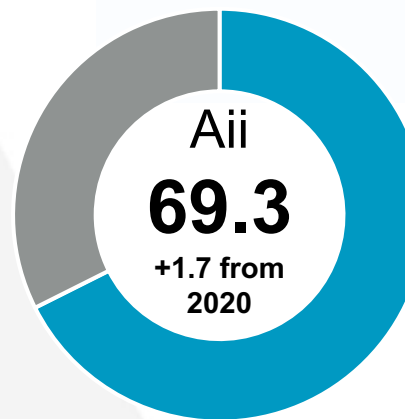
ARIN's business innovation (Aii) score is on par with the average U.S. company and its social innovation (Sii) score is on par with technology companies

- ARIN's Aii business innovation score of 69.3 is lower than technology sector average in 2022 of 73.6; a comparable benchmark is Lenovo which scored 68.9 among consumers in 2022.
- ARIN's Sii social innovation score of 61.3 is on par with the tech sector average in 2022 of 62.5. In comparison, Intuit's Sii in 2022 was 61.9.
- Note: the benchmarks are not perfect comparisons because they are based on consumer samples.



American Innovation Index (Aii): An innovative association is one that is creative, sets trends, and comes up with new solutions for members.

Social Innovation Index (Sii): A socially innovative association is one that focuses on innovating for the benefit of society and the environment.



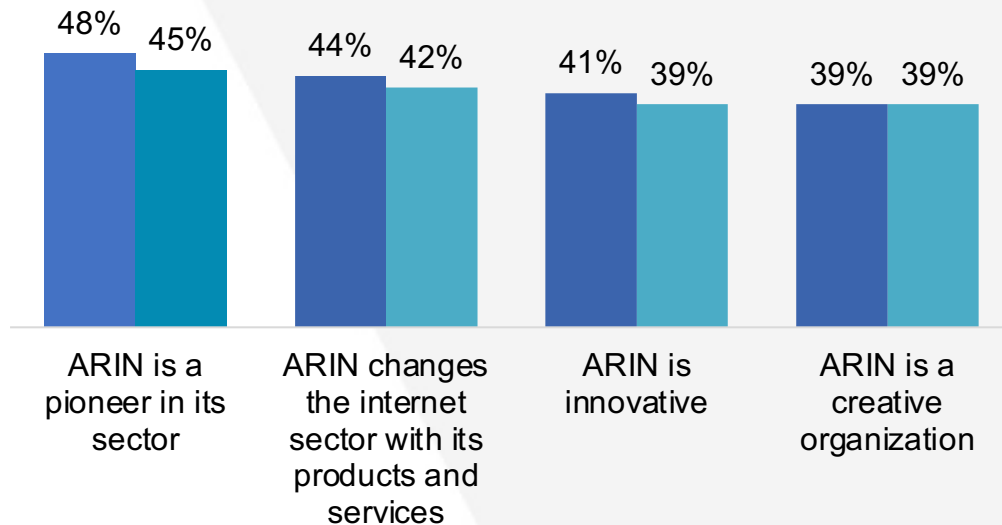
- The average Aii and Sii scores for all companies in 2022 was 71.4 and 65.6, respectively
- The averages for the Technology Sector were 73.6 and 62.5, respectively.



Nearly half of the community sees ARIN as a pioneer in their sector, while only a quarter believe ARIN offers innovative solutions for social problems

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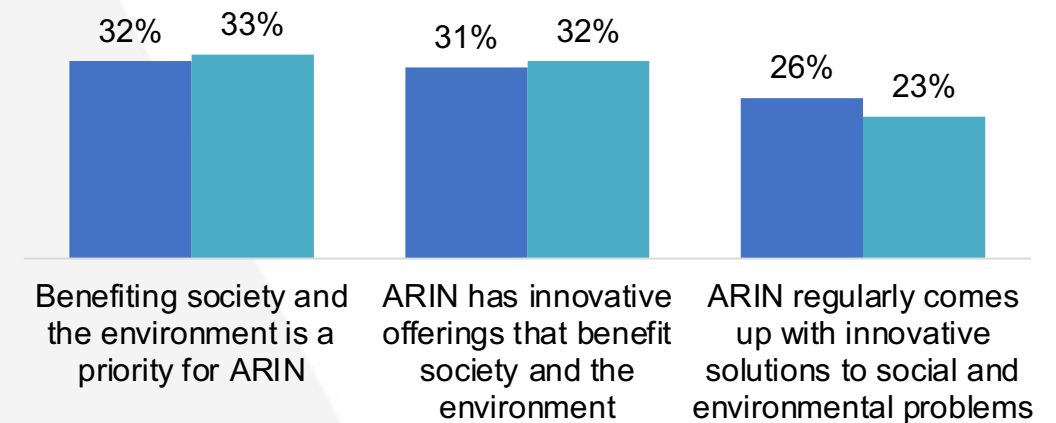
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Demographics and Firmographics



Professional Characteristics

- The average years in the profession is 18 and there is a slight increase across all categories.
- Network engineers make up almost half of the community members who participated in the survey.

Years in Profession				
	2023 (n=317)	2020 (n=370)	2017 (n=247)	2014 (n=699)
Less than 1 year	1%	1%	1%	0%
2 to 5 years	10%	6%	6%	3%▽
6 to 10 years	7%	10%	12%	11%△
11 to 15 years	8%	11%	15%△	22%△
16 to 20 years	14%	18%	21%△	26%△
21 or more years	61%	54%	44%▽	37%▽
<i>Average Years in Profession</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>17▽</i>	<i>17▽</i>

Occupation				
	2023 (n=317)	2020 (n=370)	2017 (n=247)	2014 (n=699)
Network Engineer	46%	47%	42%	46%
Management	29%	26%	22%	26%
Systems Administrator	13%	15%	16%	17%
Software Coder/Developer	5%	4%	6%	3%▽
Marketing/Business Development	1%	1%	1%	1%
Attorney/Legal Services	0%	1%	0%	1%
Other	6%	6%	12%△	7%

Company Characteristics



- Community members come from a wide spectrum of organization types with an increase in Internet service providers compared to 2020.
- There is a slight decrease in the average number of employees.

Type of Company				
	2023 (n=317)	2020 (n=370)	2017 (n=247)	2014 (n=699)
Internet service provider	27%	22%	27%	22%
Education	11%	9%	14%	18%△
Hardware/Software vendor	9%	8%	14%	5%▽
Network access provider	8%	9%	6%	5%
Internet content provider	7%	7%	8%	8%
Government	6%	6%	6%	6%
Mobile network provider	0%	1%	1%	1%
IPv4 transfer facilitator/broker	0%	1%	1%	*Not asked
Other	23%	24%	19%	30%△
None of the above	7%	13%△	4%	5%

Number of Employees				
	2023 (n=317)	2020 (n=370)	2017 (n=247)	2014 (n=699)
1	5%	7%	7%	3%
2-24	27%	26%	18%▽	17%▽
25-49	6%	5%	6%	6%
50-99	8%	6%	8%	5%
100-499	14%	16%	16%	19%△
500-999	9%	6%	10%	9%
1,000 or more	32%	34%	35%	41%△
Average # of Employees	604	612	660	741△

Location of Company				
	2023 (n=317)	2020 (n=370)	2017 (n=247)	2014 (n=699)
United States	83%	86%	86%	86%
Canada	10%	10%	9%	11%
Puerto Rico	1%	0%	1%	0%
Other	2%	4%	3%	2%

- Banking/ Finance, Consulting, Energy, Healthcare, Manufacturing, Retail, Transportation, Utilities, etc.