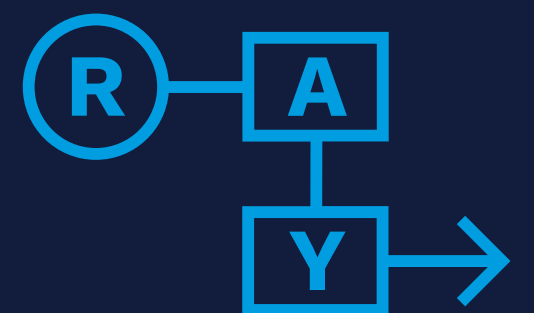


BEYOND RECOVERY — WHAT YOUTH WORK NEEDS TO SURVIVE & THRIVE

→ “The future starts in the present.”

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Research-based
analysis of European
youth programmes



SOME QUICK

REMINDERS

ABOUT THE

CONTEXT

“The aim of this research project is to document and analyse the effects of the coronavirus pandemic on youth work in Europe, including the European youth programmes, and the response of youth work across Europe to the pandemic and its effects.”

1 » Literature snapshots

2 » Monolingual survey (Spring)

3 » Expert interviews & focus groups

4 » Multilingual survey (Autumn/Winter)

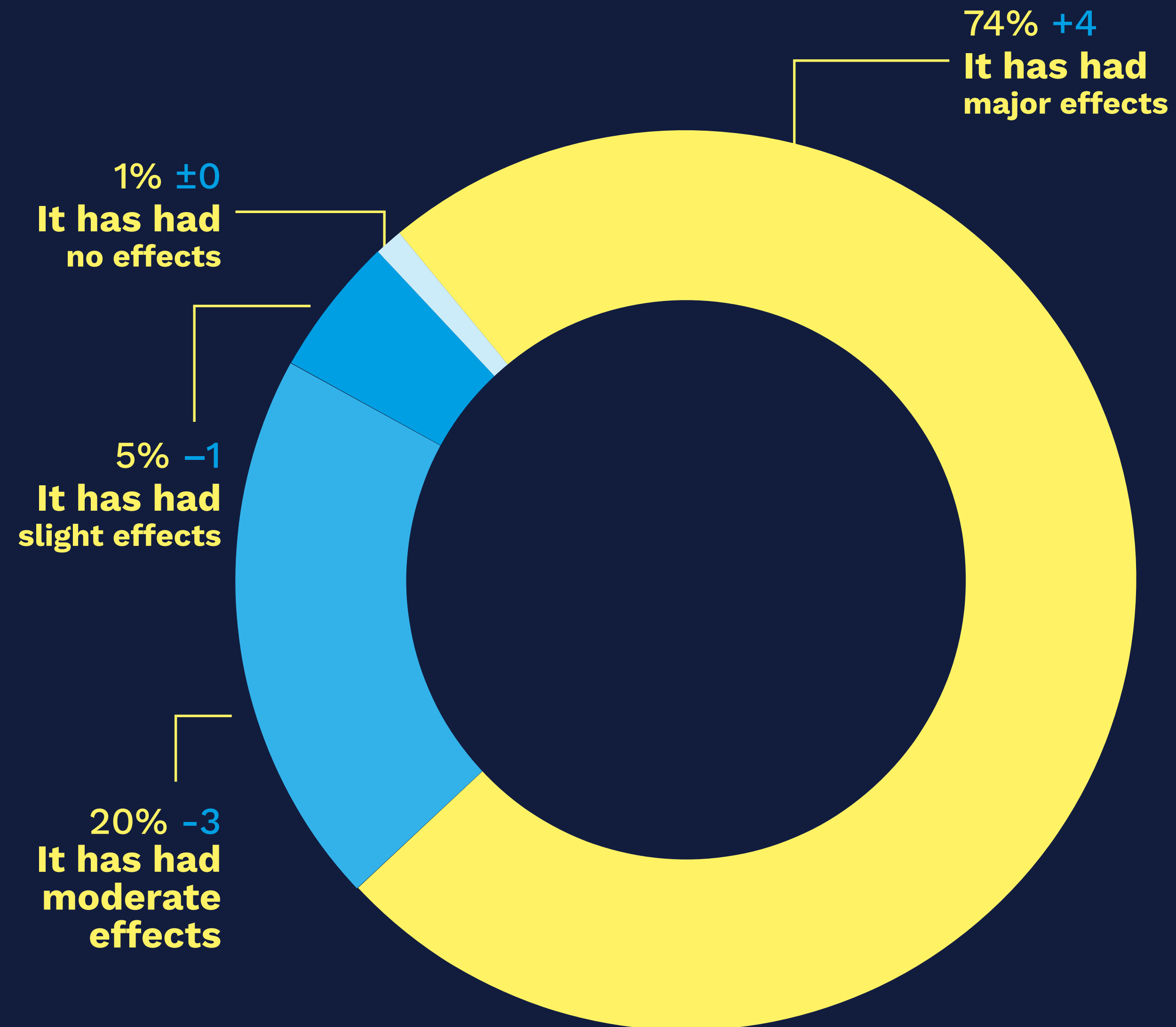
5 » Case studies of responses

6 » Analysis Recovery Facility

7 » Survey recovery programmes

8 » Youth Work Recovery Conference

Q: Has the corona pandemic affected your youth work?



These values have increased slightly over time (+4%, spring 2020 vs winter 2021).



THE PANDEMIC

KEEPS SHAKING

YOUTH WORK TO

THE CORE

ENSURE

ACCESS OF

YOUTH WORK

TO RECOVERY

FUNDS

There is an urgent need to set up low-threshold resilience funds for youth work. The majority of youth work structures and networks have little or no access to current pandemic recovery programmes.

Youth work is falling through the cracks.



SUPPORT PEER

MENTAL HEALTH

SERVICES FOR

YOUNG PEOPLE

Young people, and youth workers, need easily accessible mental health support channels that are familiar with how young people, and youth workers, experience this pandemic – and how these experiences differ across backgrounds and contexts.

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BOLSTER DIGITAL SKILLS & INFRA- STRUCTURES IN YOUTH WORK

Youth work needs wide-ranging structural and educational support for thoughtful digitalisation. Youth work was broadly overstrained with the digital challenges during the pandemic, and still lacks an authentic online voice and pedagogy.



REFORM AND

SUSTAIN

YOUTH WORK

FUNDING

Youth work urgently needs a reform of its funding. The pandemic has brutally exposed how fragile youth work funding has become. In most parts of Europe, it is entirely built around project funding, with little or no structural funds. This has to change.



IMPLEMENT

THE EUROPEAN

YOUTH WORK

AGENDA

Youth work needs a long-term perspective and a coherent framework. It is held back by scattered education pathways, patchy professional recognition, and scattered research. It needs continuity & perspective, which the European Youth Work Agenda provides – if implemented with sufficient resources.

THANK YOU

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