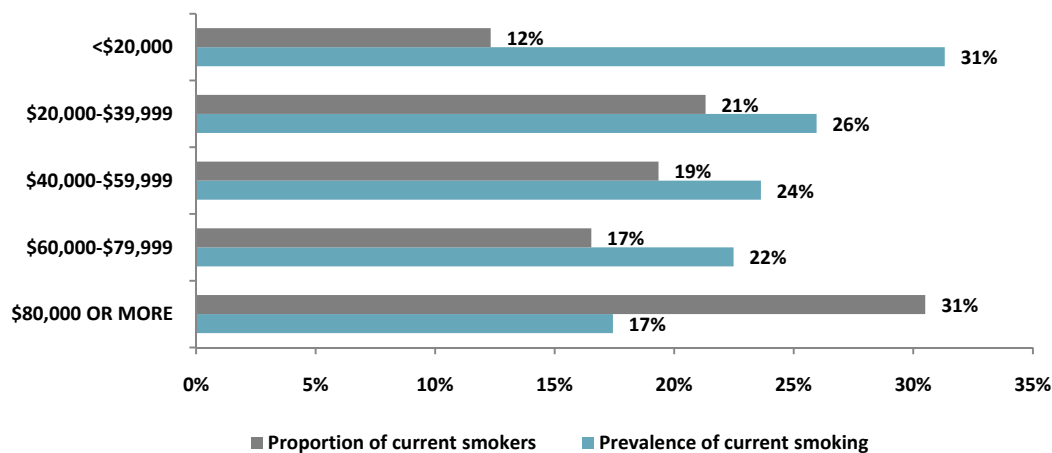


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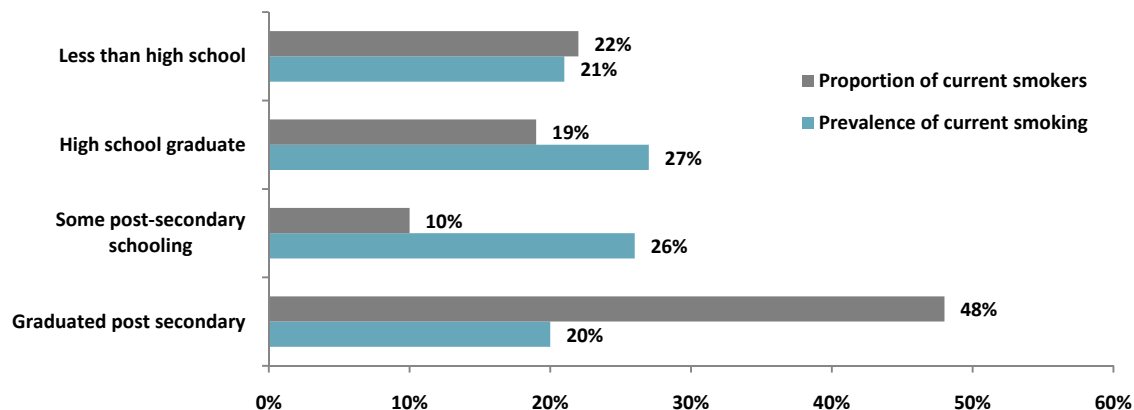
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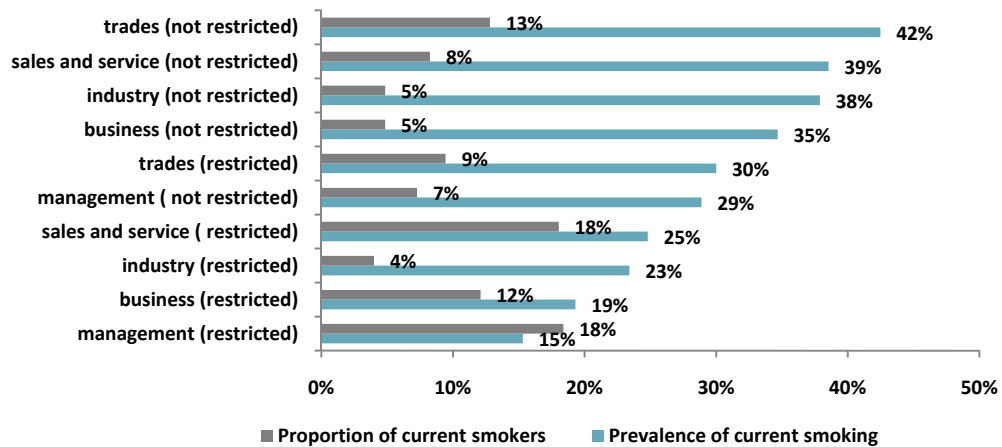
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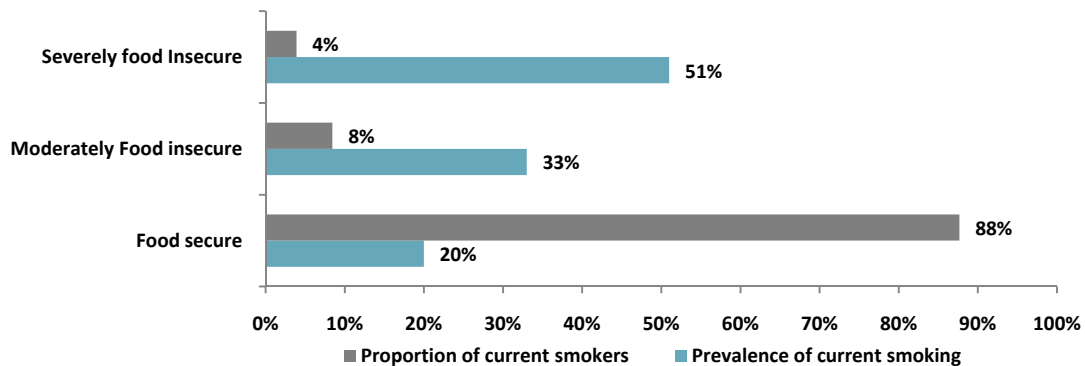
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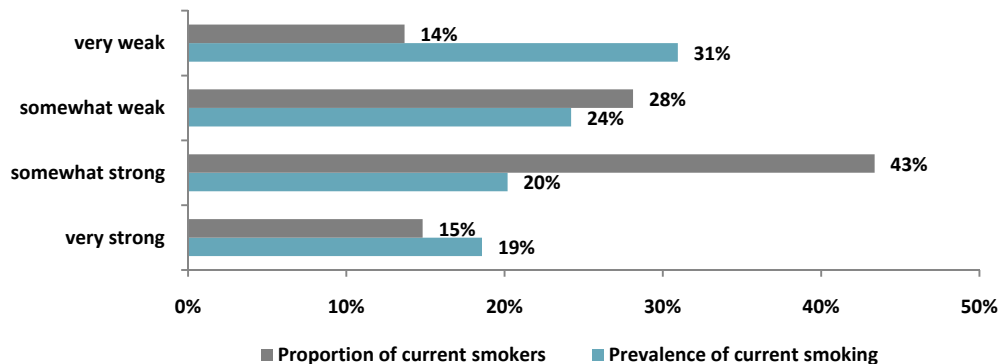
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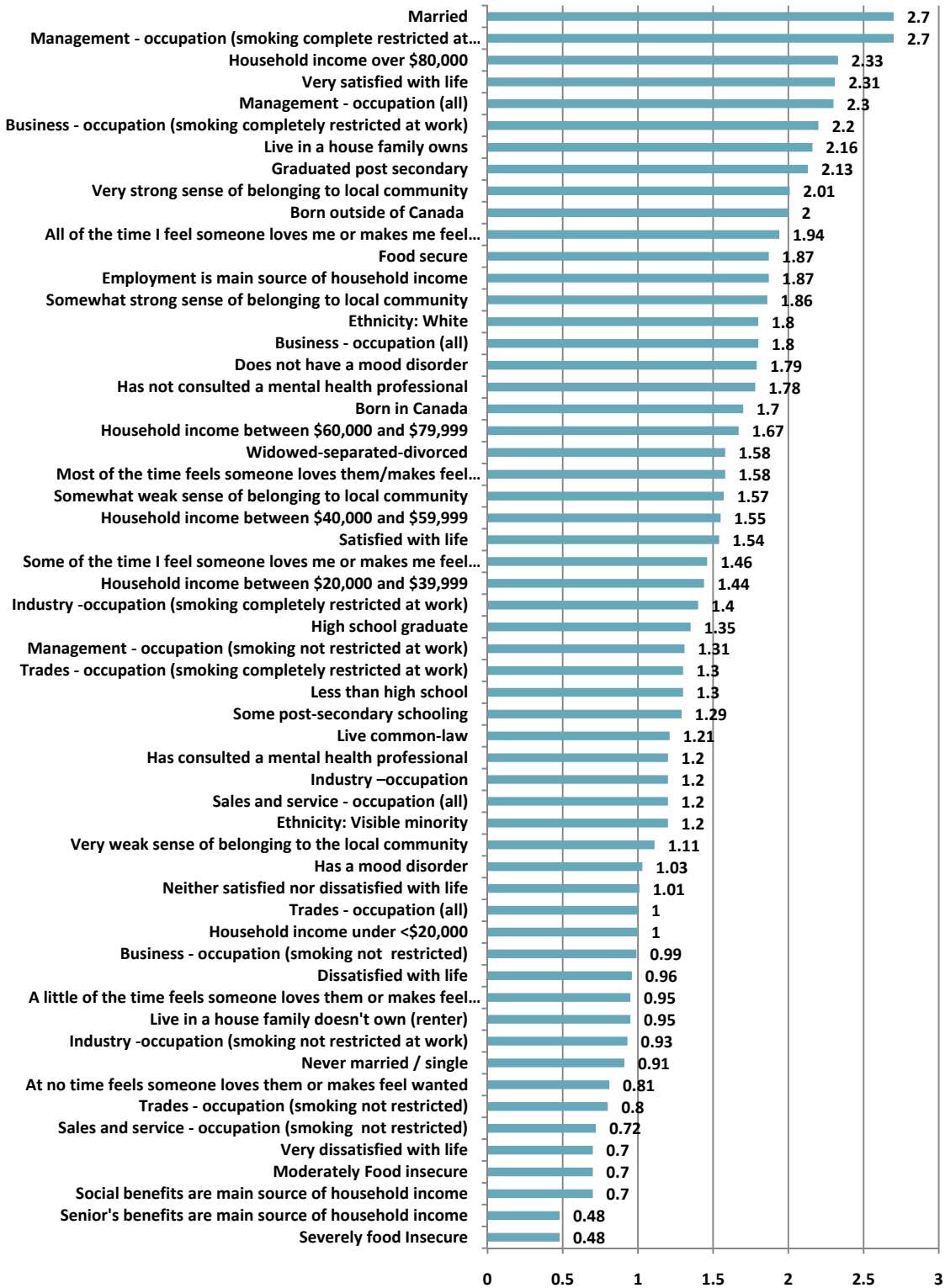
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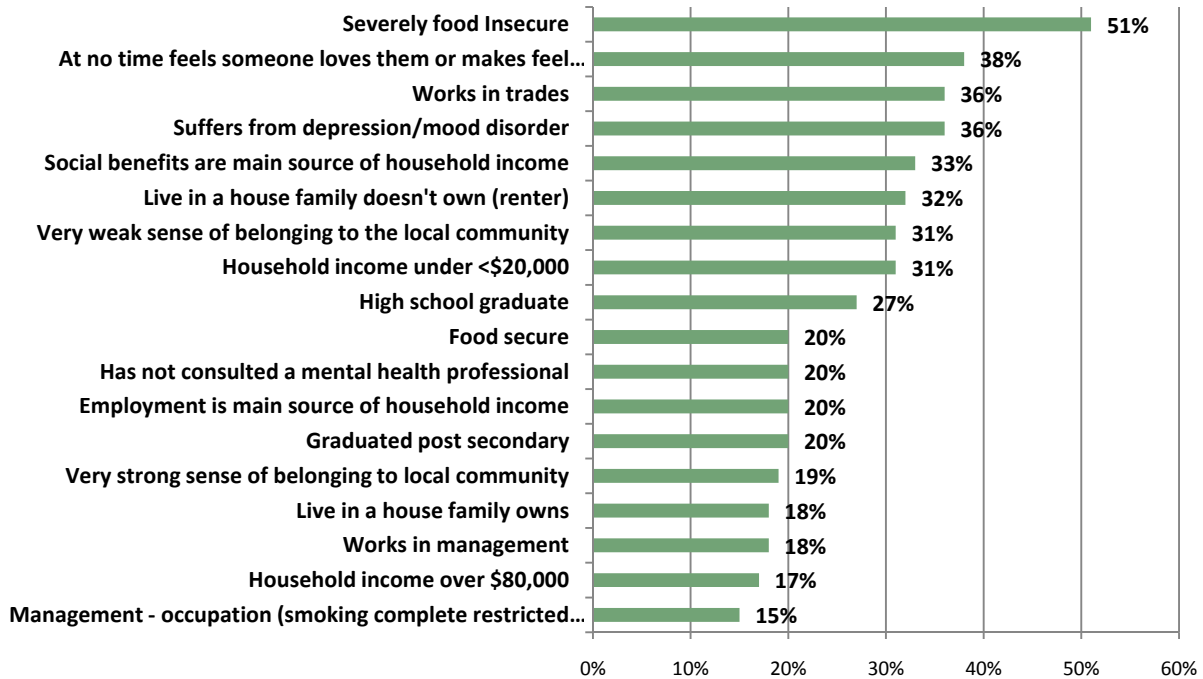
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Employment is main source of household income	20%	1.9	4,610,244	81%
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Did not graduate from high school	21%	1.3	1,321,039	22%
All of the time I feel someone loves me or makes me feel wanted	21%	1.9	1,498,664	66%
Other source of household income	22%	1.7	191,724	3%
Employed in business (all)	22%	1.8	693,580	17%
Household income between \$60,000 and \$79,999	22%	1.7	858,764	17%
White	23%	1.8	4,916,222	84%
Employed in industry (smoking restricted at work)	23%	1.4	163,884	4%
Satisfied with life	24%	1.5	3,349,445	56%
Household income between \$40,000 and \$59,999	24%	1.6	1,004,768	19%
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Most of the time I feel someone loves me or makes me feel wanted	24%	1.6	413,946	18%
Born in Canada	24%	1.7	4,990,417	84%
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Employed in sales and service (smoking restricted at work)	25%	1.4	738,270	18%
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Household income between \$20,000 and \$39,999	26%	1.4	1,107,093	21%
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Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied with life	32%	1.0	465,085	8%
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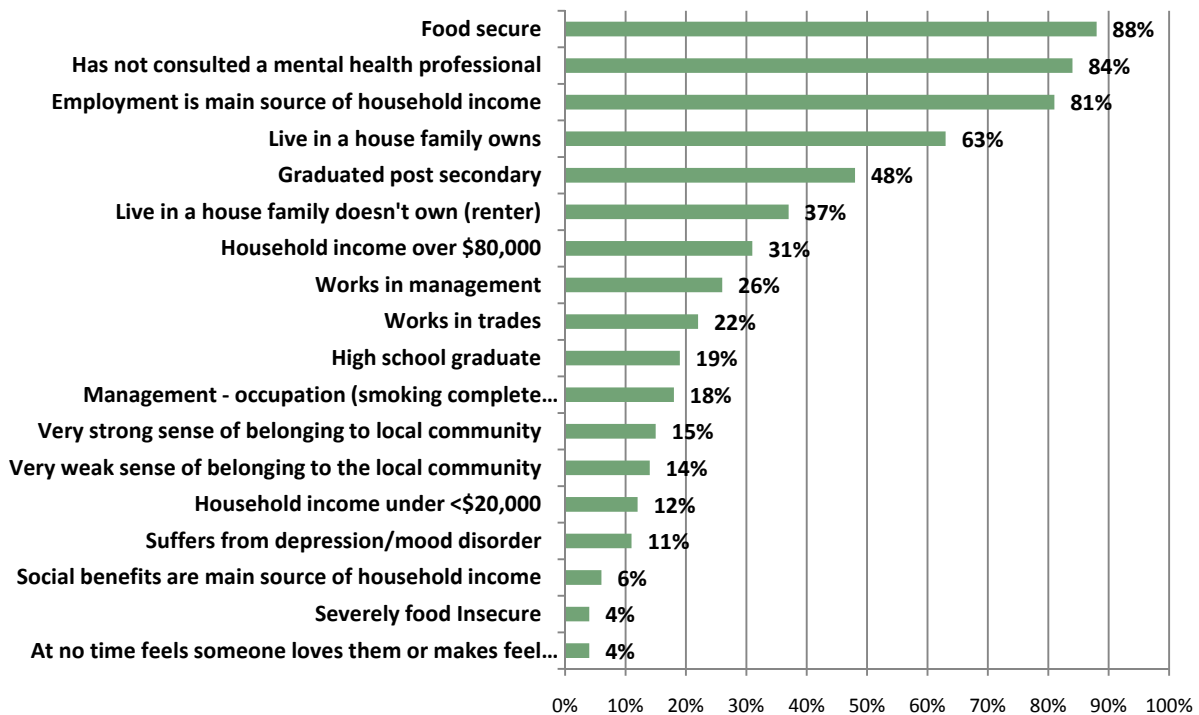
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