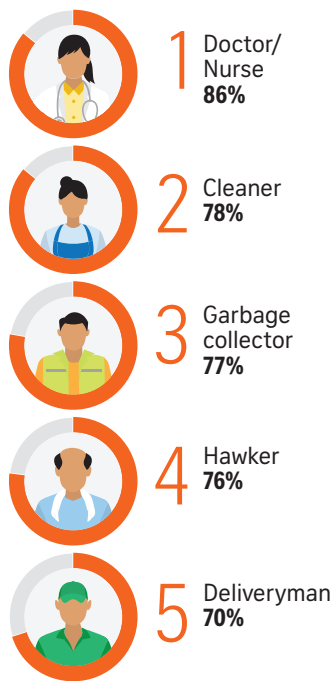


Essential, or not?

The Sunday Times asks some 1,000 respondents which are the jobs that are most crucial in keeping Singapore going, and also how much more they will pay for essential services so that workers in the sector may get a wage boost.

Top 5 essential jobs



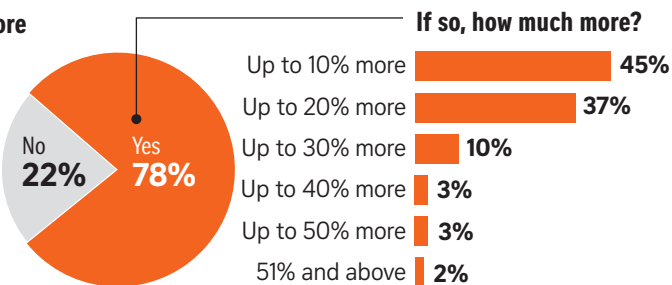
Top 5 non-essential jobs



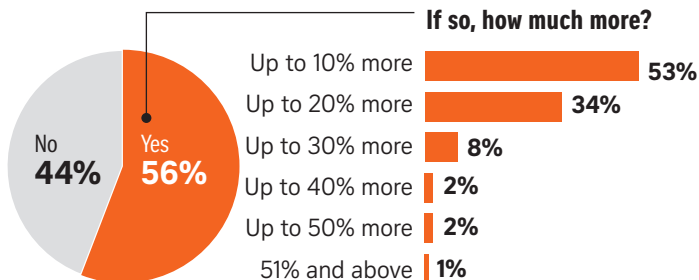
Jobs that I don't want to do

Garbage collector	57%
Construction Worker	44%
Cleaner	42%
Politician	36%
Telemarketer	31%
Artist	29%
Security guard	29%
Corporate lawyer	26%
Nurse	24%
Doctor	21%
Hawker	20%
PR specialist	20%
University professor	20%
IT technician	19%
Engineer	18%
Social media manager	18%
Business consultant	16%
Deliveryman	16%
Human resource manager	13%
Teacher	11%

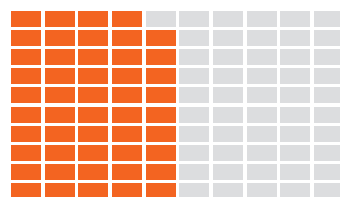
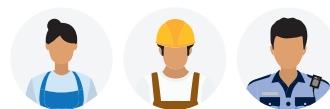
Would I pay more for essential services if the extra amount would go to essential workers such as cleaners and security guards?



Would I pay more for home renovation if the extra amount would go to the workers?



If the salaries of a construction worker, cleaner or security guard were to be tripled, would I consider taking up any of these jobs?*



*The monthly basic wages of security officers and general cleaners are set at \$1,250 and at least \$1,200 respectively, under the progressive wage model. The median monthly salary for construction labourers in 2018 was \$1,200.