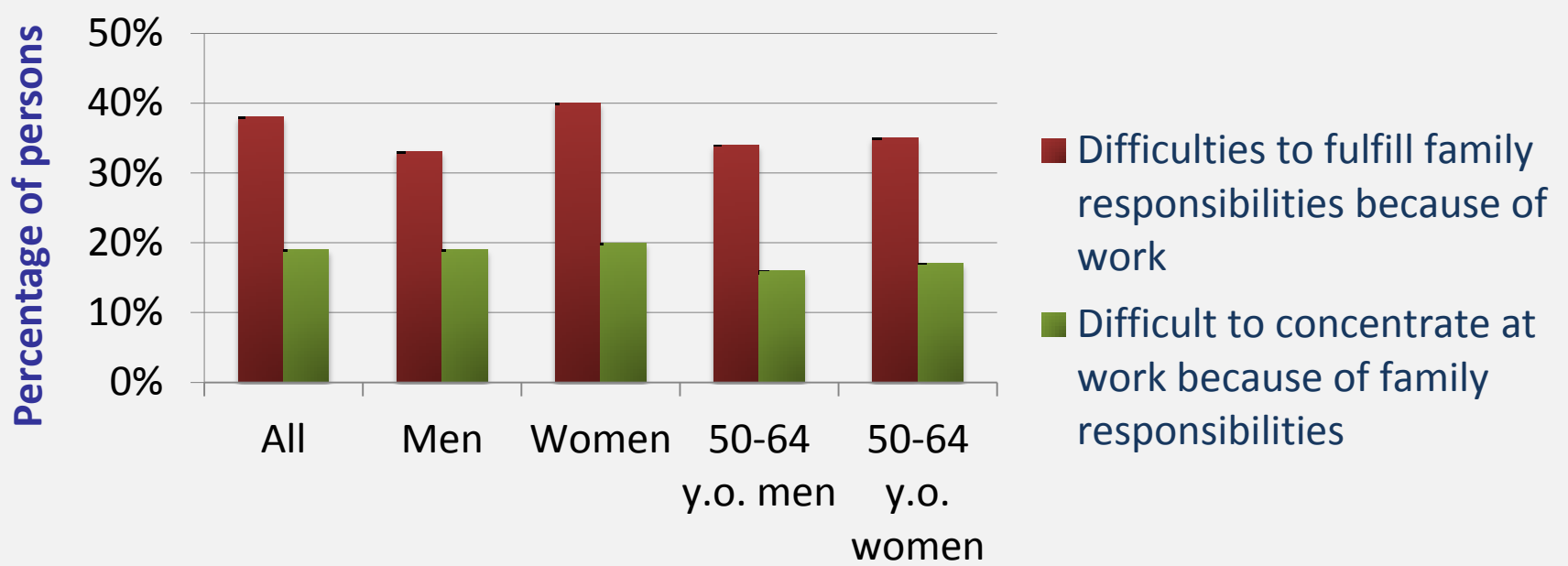


Why do carers need support?

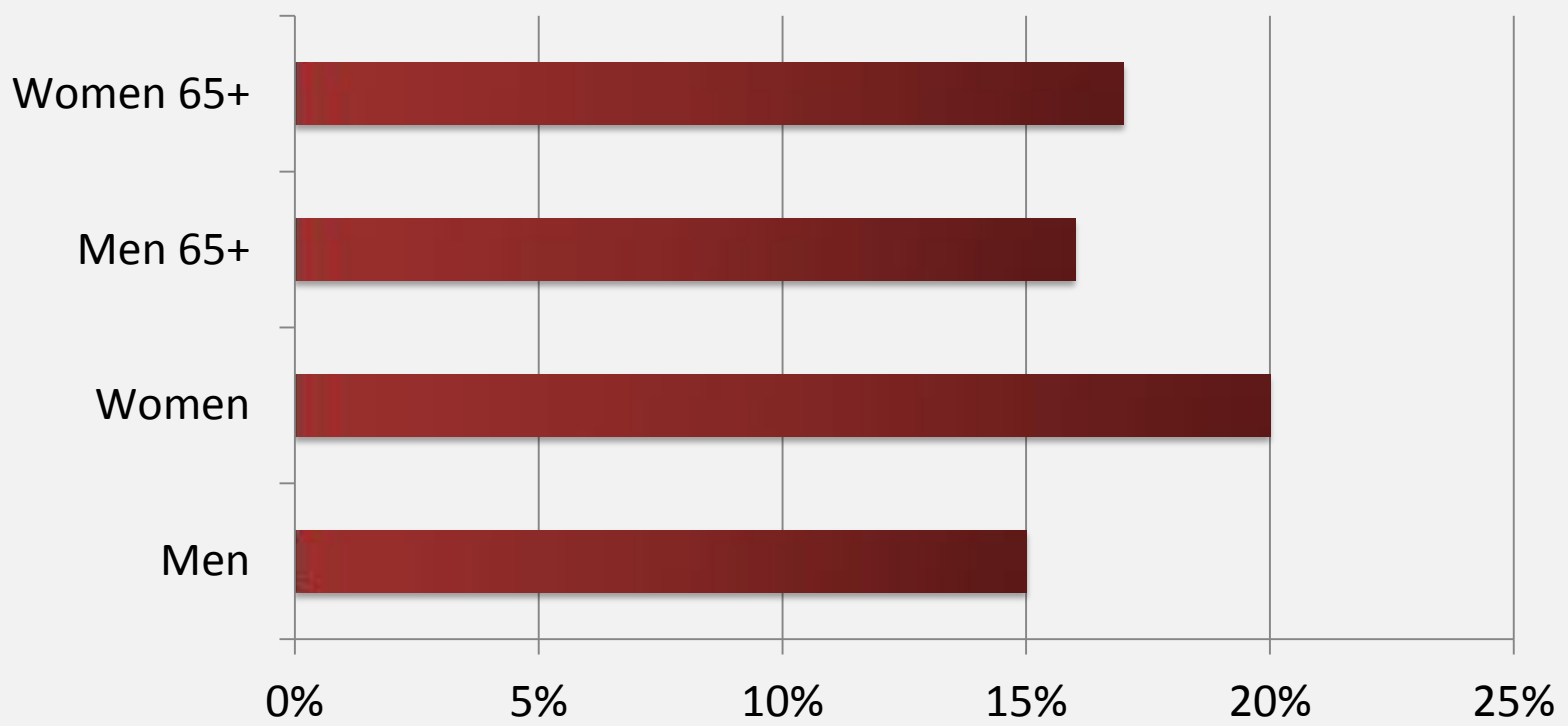
About 70 – 80 % of care is estimated to be provided by informal carers: family, friends, neighbours

Work-life balance: not only a problem for younger workers



Almost one in five persons is a carer

Caring for a disabled or infirm relative

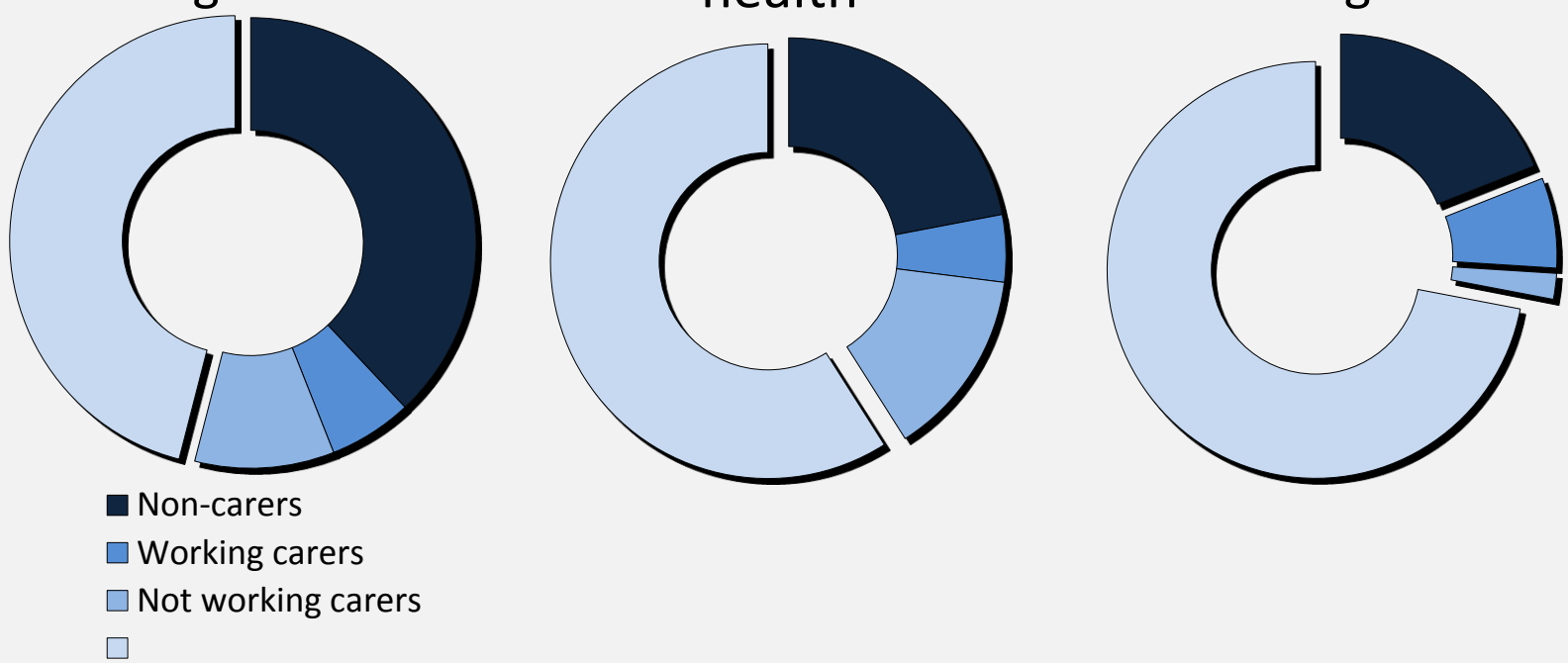


Carers, especially those not in employment, fare worse in many domains

Have difficulties in making ends meet

In fair or bad health

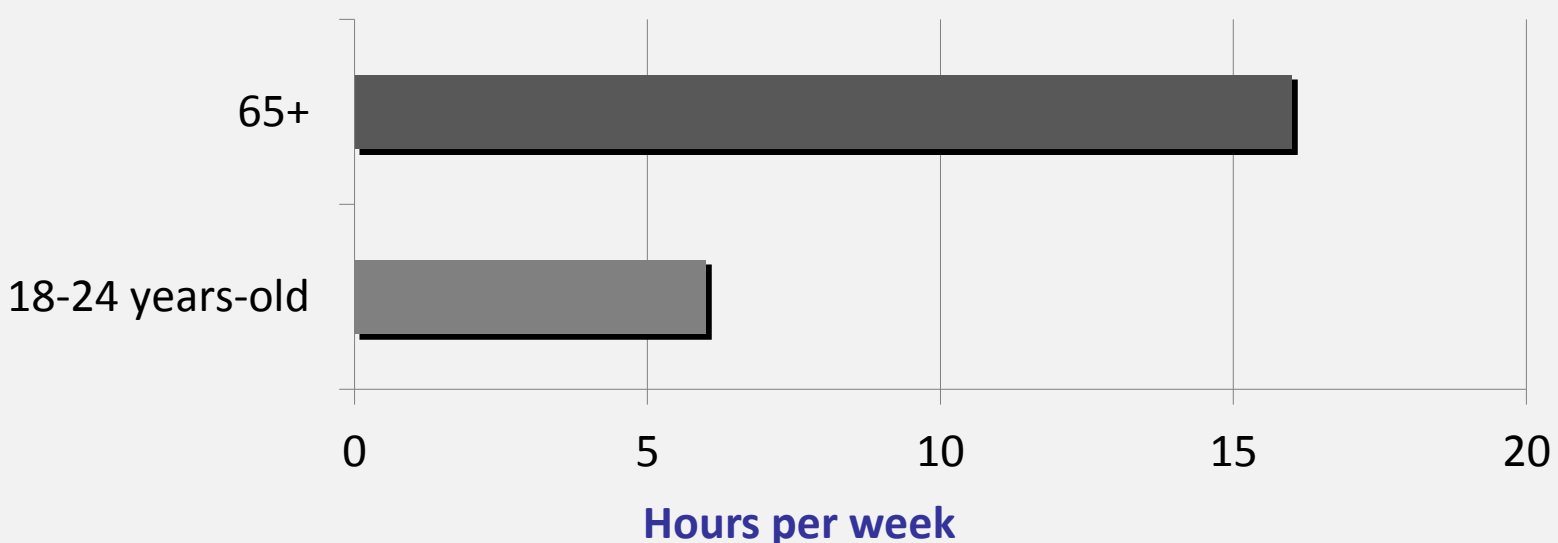
Feel their value is not recognised



Nb.: the values are superposed, carers not in employment perform worse than working carers and non-carers in all categories

The intensity of informal care provision rises with age

Hours spent caring for infirm or disabled relatives <75 years old



Read our position on carers' leave here: <http://bit.ly/AGE-WLBCarers>

Data source: Eurofound, European Quality of Life Survey 2016, https://www.eurofound.europa.eu/sites/default/files/ef_publication/field_ef_document/ef1733en.pdf

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