

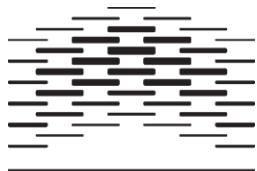


What matters to women who have given birth in Norway: findings from the Babies Born Better Survey

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Norway in numbers

- 5 236 826 inhabitants, 59 058 births (2015)
- 46 birthing units; 7 freestanding midwifery units, 4 alongside midwifery units
- Sectio rate 15.9% (range 10.2-25.8) (2015)
- Epidural rate: 35.8 (range 11.4-50.0) (2015)
- Induction rate: 17.8 (2014)
- MMR: 7/100 000 (2014)
- PMR: 3.5/100 000 (>500g) (2014)



Maternity care system in Norway

- Free of charge (except home births) under the National health care system
- Antenatal care in primary and secondary care
- Labour care in secondary care
- Postnatal care in primary and secondary care
- No private institutions
- Midwives attend all births



The Babies Born Better Survey (B3-survey)

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Professor Soo Downe, University of Central Lancashire

The B3-survey is part of COST (Cooperation in Science and Technology)

Action IS0907 (2010-2014) iResearch4birth

Action IS1405 (2014-2018) BIRTH



The Babies Born Better Survey

- Translated from English into 22 languages
- 37608 women from 30 countries have responded
- 8300 women in Norway have responded
- The B3-survey is currently closed, will relaunch in January 2017



Aim of the B3-survey

The aim of the B3-survey is to explore women's views and experiences with maternity care in Europe, to find out about what women think works well, and to use that information to improve care in future.



The aim of this study

- to give an account of Norwegian women's description of the care they received in the place they gave birth



Material and methods

Self-recruited sample of women who gave birth in Norway within the last five years (N=3009)

The women responded to a web based survey

The survey was promoted via Facebook, Twitter and through editorial articles.



The survey - 18 questions

Fixed

- Demographics
- Reproductive background
- Place of birth, staff providing care during labour

Open-ended

- Views and experiences related to the care provided at the place she gave birth of her youngest child



Two open-ended questions for this study

1. What were the three best things about the care you got there?
1. If you had the power to make three changes in the care you had, what would the changes be?

The respondents could enter up to three statements to each question



Descriptive analysis of the responses

The responses to the two open-ended questions were coded with a framework* developed for the B3-Survey

The framework was translated into Norwegian and adapted to the Norwegian context

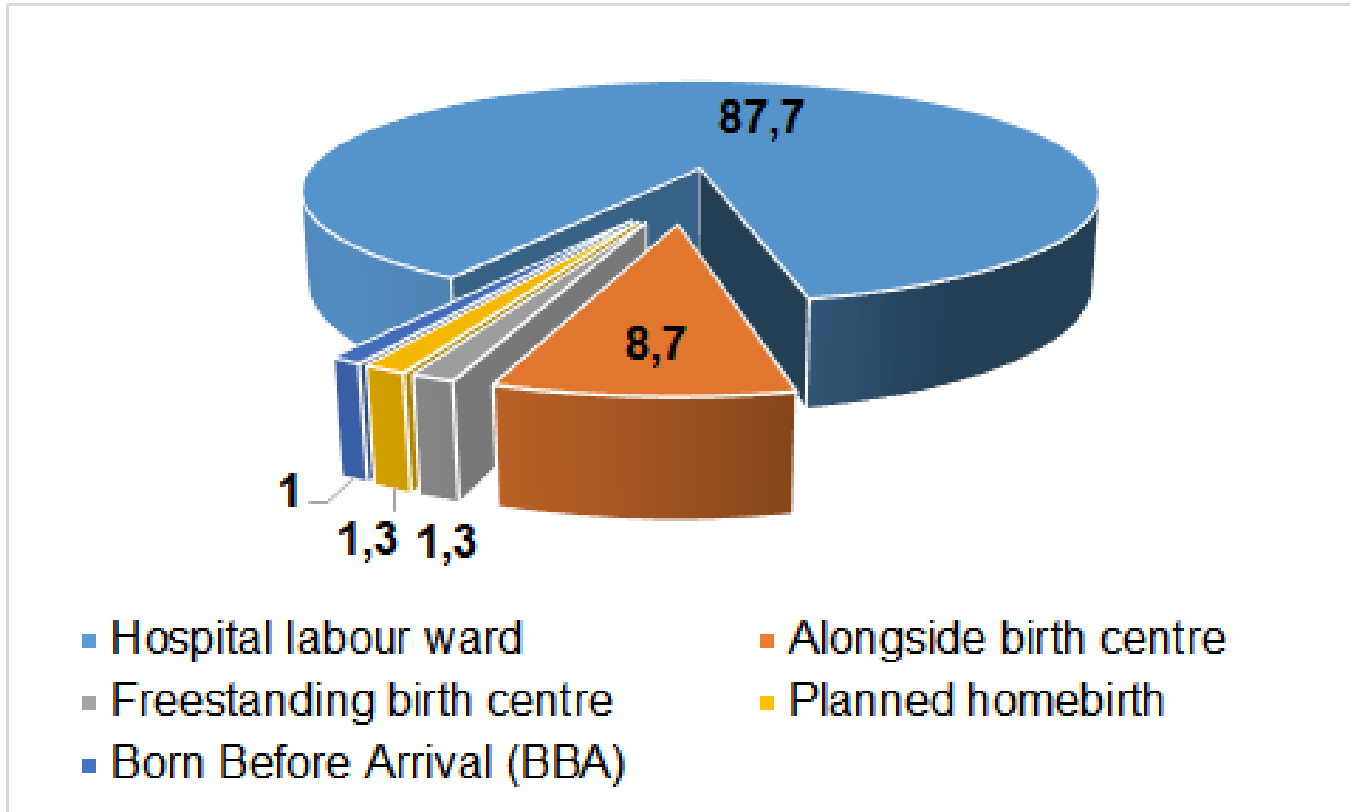


Findings

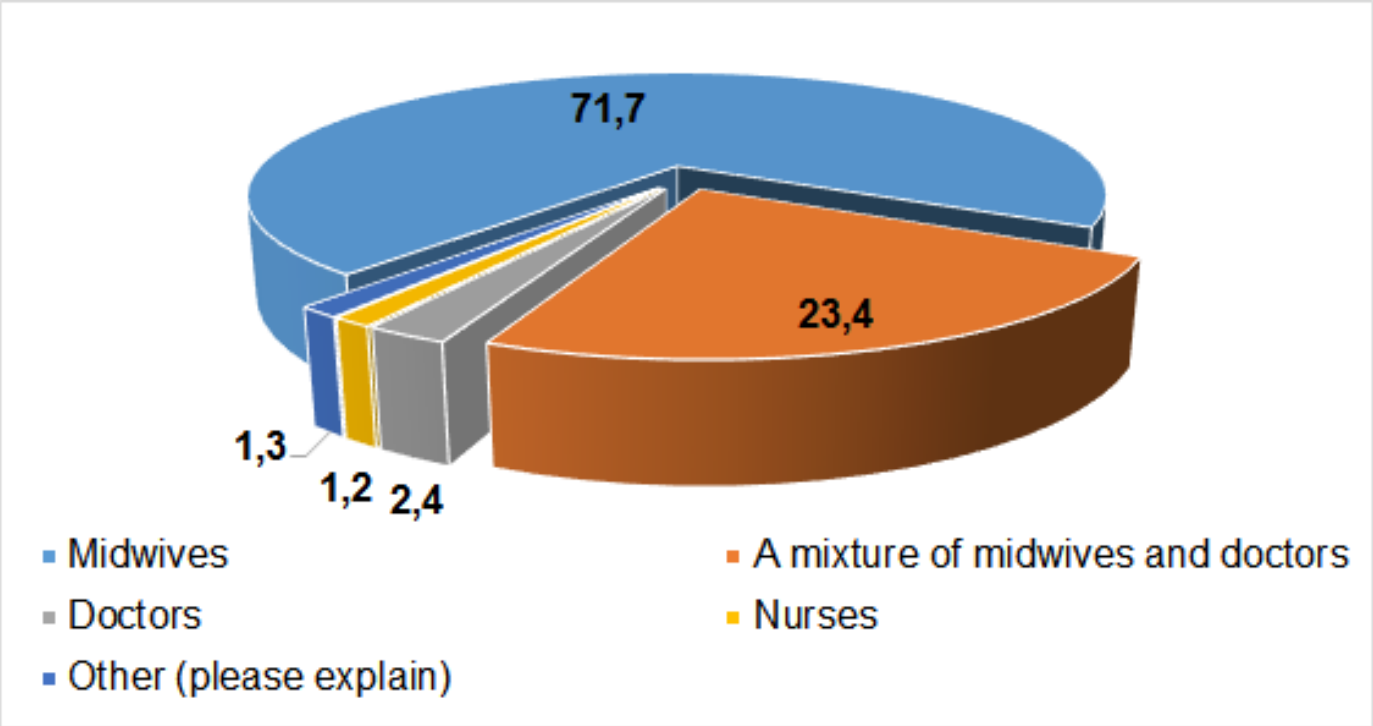
Maternal age at birth (years)	B3-survey 2009-2014 (n=3009)		MBRN* 2014 (n=59064)
	n	% (valid)**	%
≤19	56	1.9	1.4
20-24	483	16.1	12.8
25-29	1032	34.3	32.0
30-34	943	31.3	33.9
35-39	347	11.5	16.3
40-44	53	1.8	3.4
≥45	6	0.2	0.2
Parity			
0	1373	45.6	42.2
1	1094	36.4	36.8
≥2	542	18.0	21.0

*The Norwegian Medical Birth Register (MBRN) **missing 3.0%

Where were your youngest child born (%)?



What group of staff provided most of your care (%)?





The two open-ended questions

3009 respondents analysed

14581 entries

4.8 entries from each woman

After coding:

12957 codes

7508 codes in 'Best care'

5449 codes in 'What would I like to change'



Five main themes in the framework

1) Relations, feelings, atmosphere and attitude

11 subcategories

2) Specific interventions and scenarios

8 subcategories

3) Involved actors

5 subcategories

4) Setting, organisation, premises and catering

10 subcategories

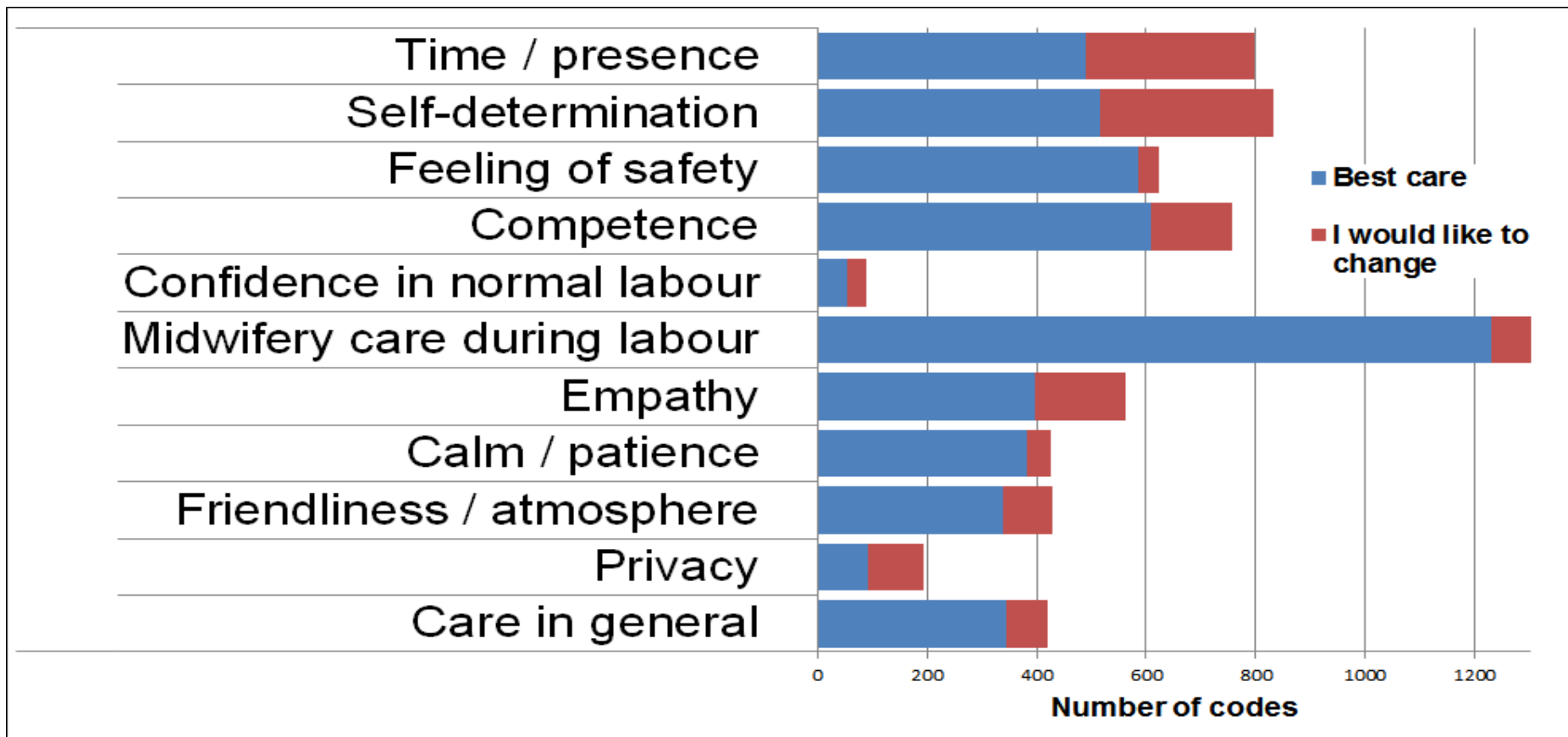
5) General comments

Overview of positive and negative codes, by theme 1-5

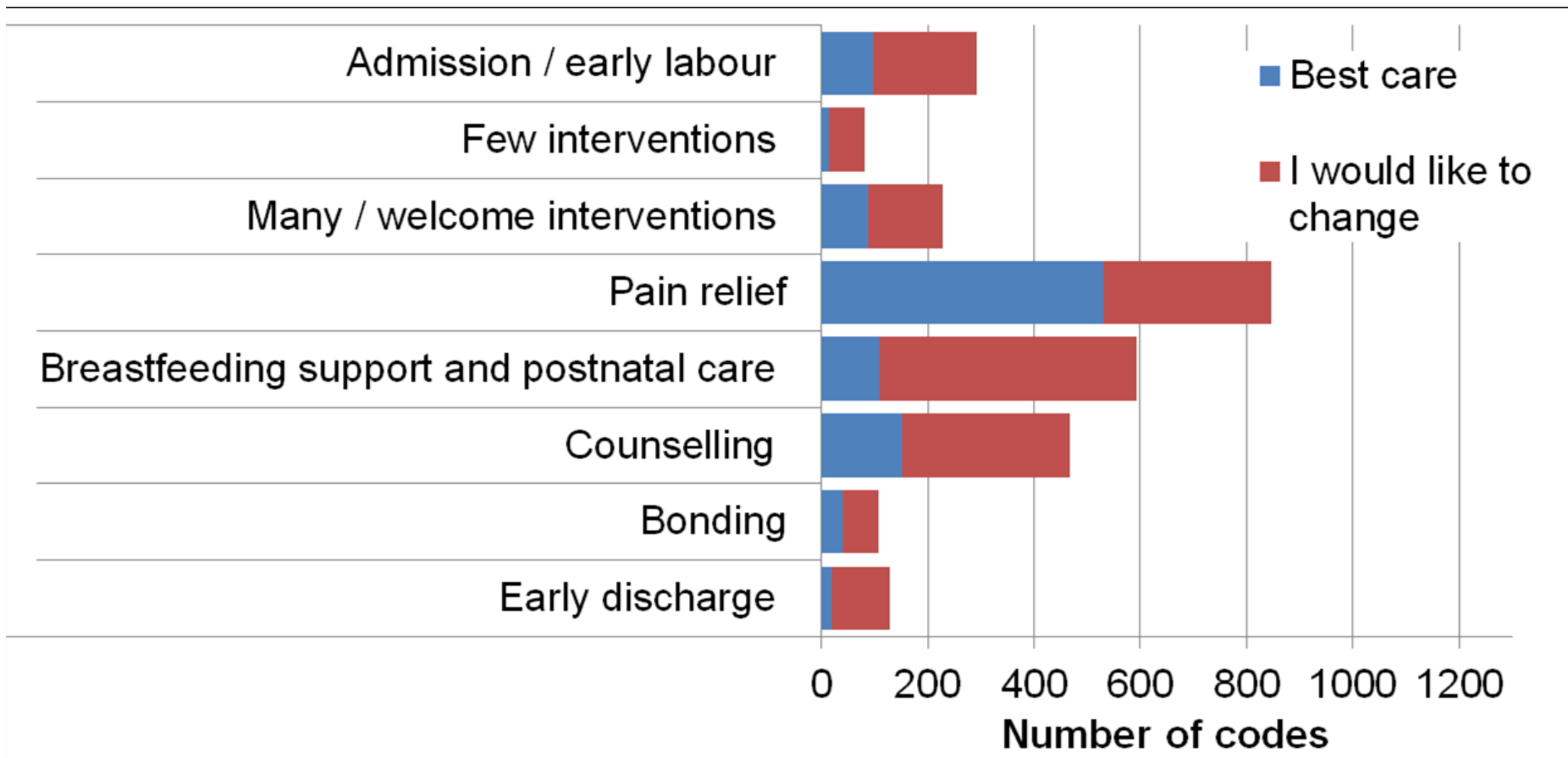


Missing 0,2%
 Don't know 1.8%
 Unclear 2.4%

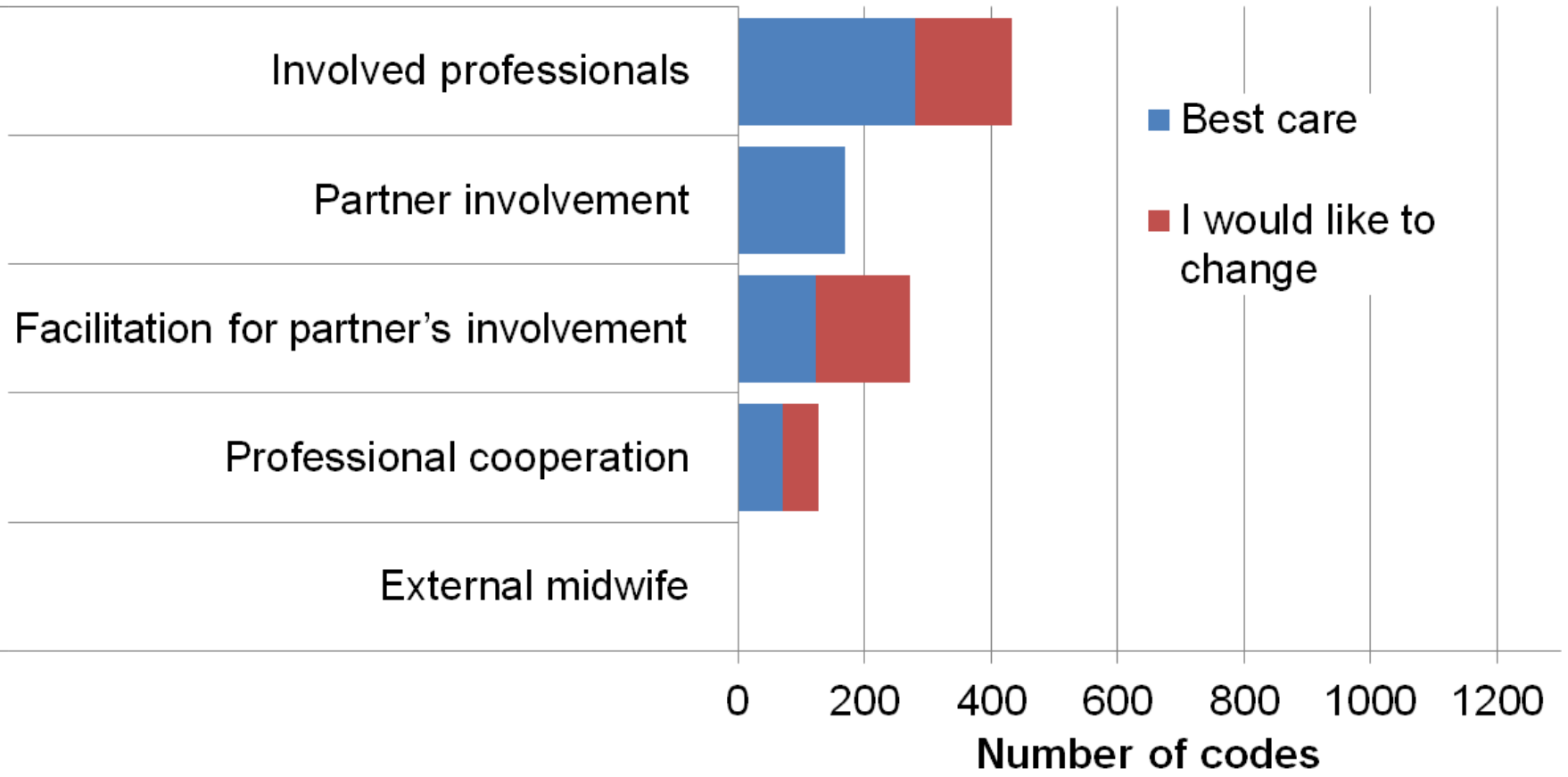
Theme 1: Relations, feelings, atmosphere, attitude



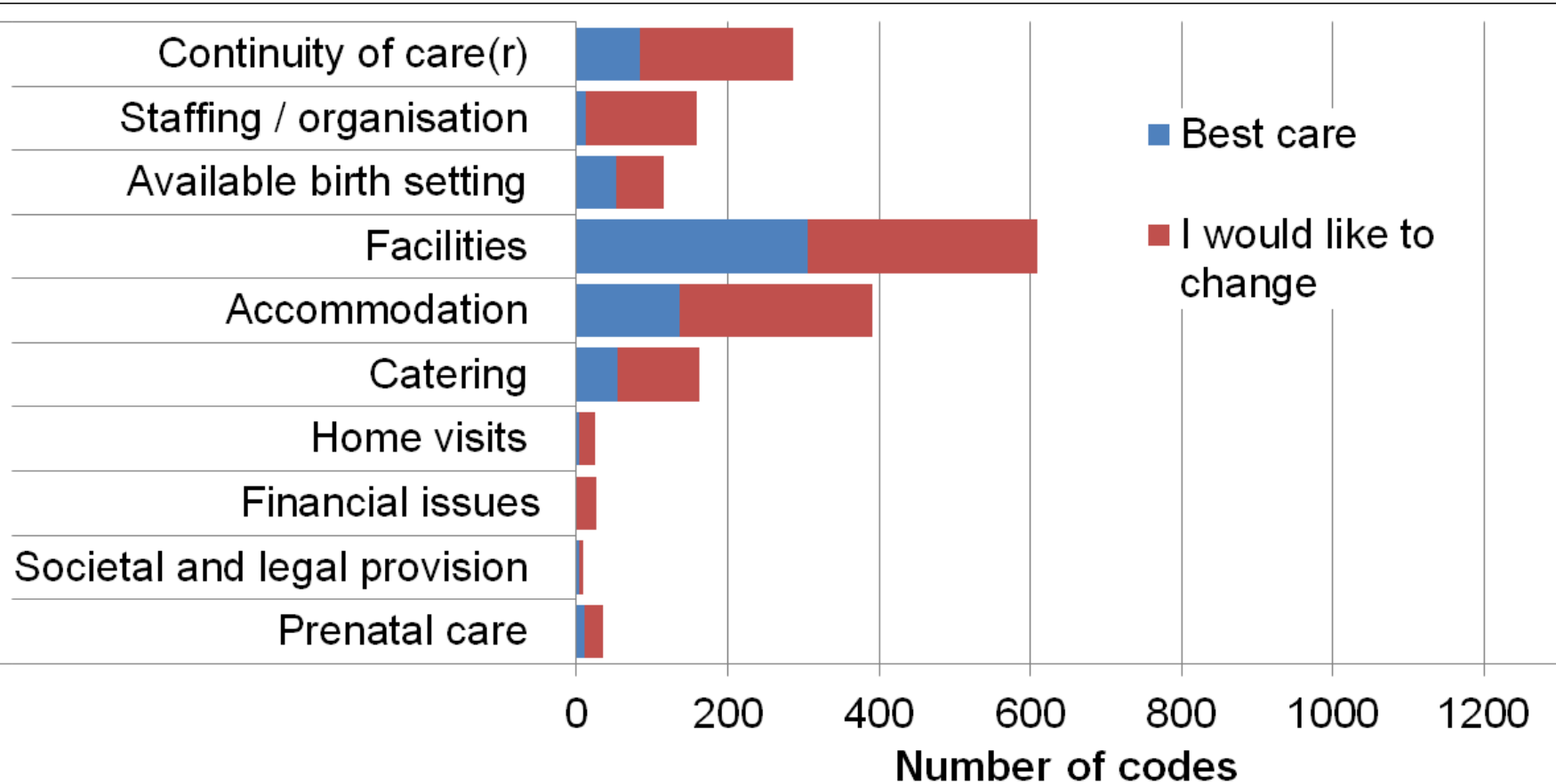
Theme 2: Specific interventions and scenarios



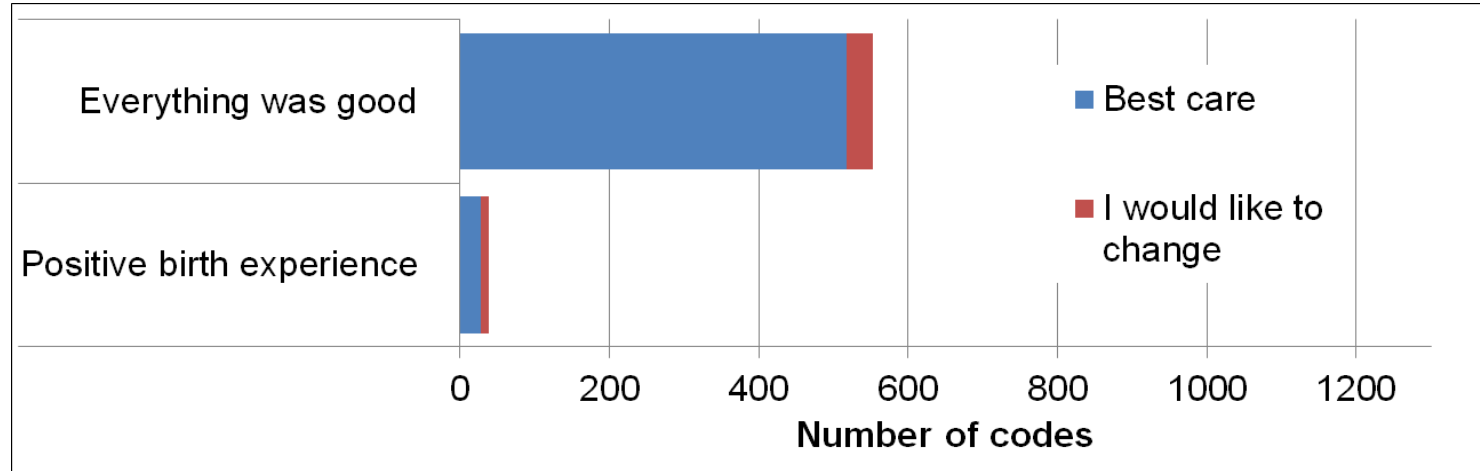
Theme 3: Involved actors



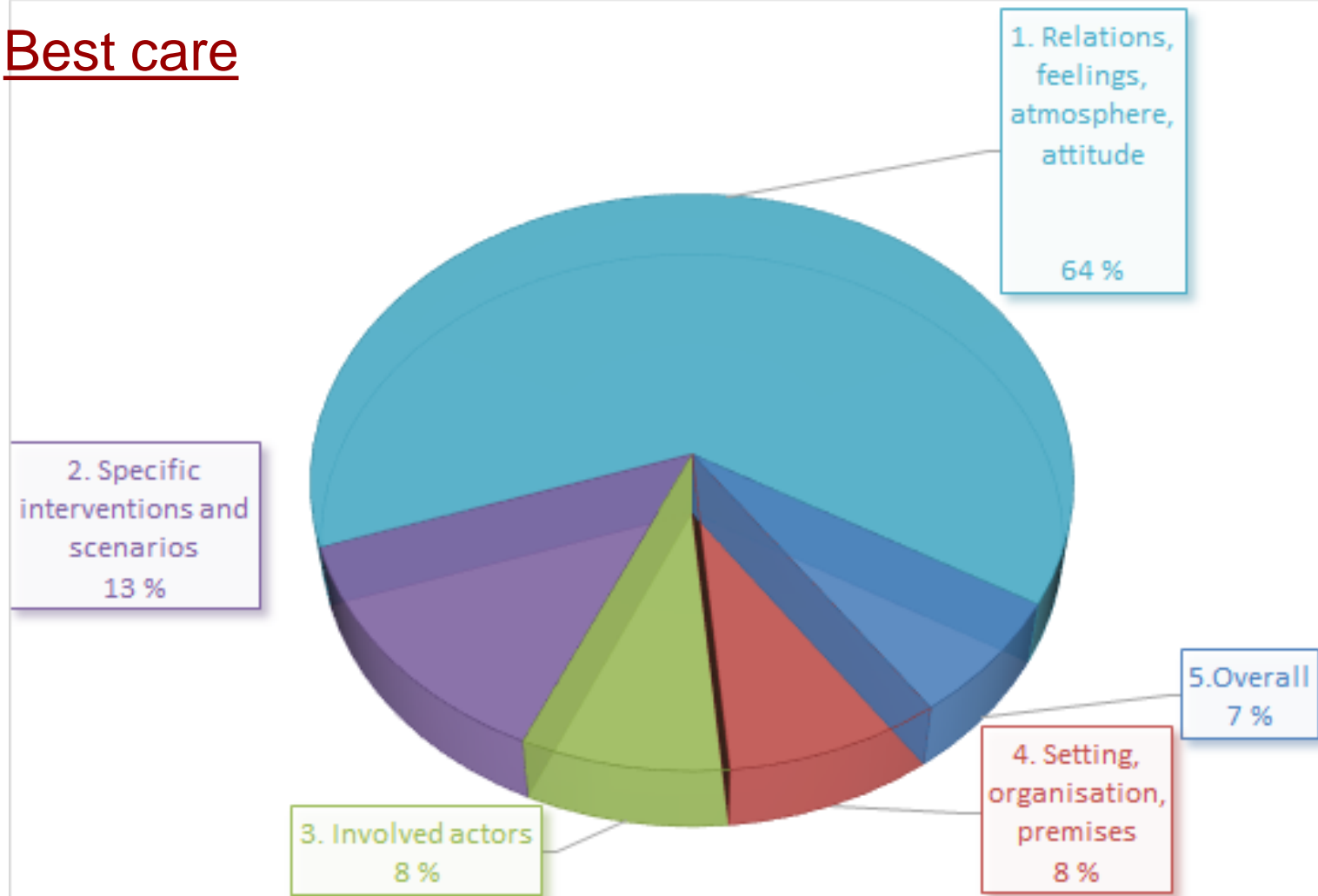
Theme 4: Setting, organisation, premises



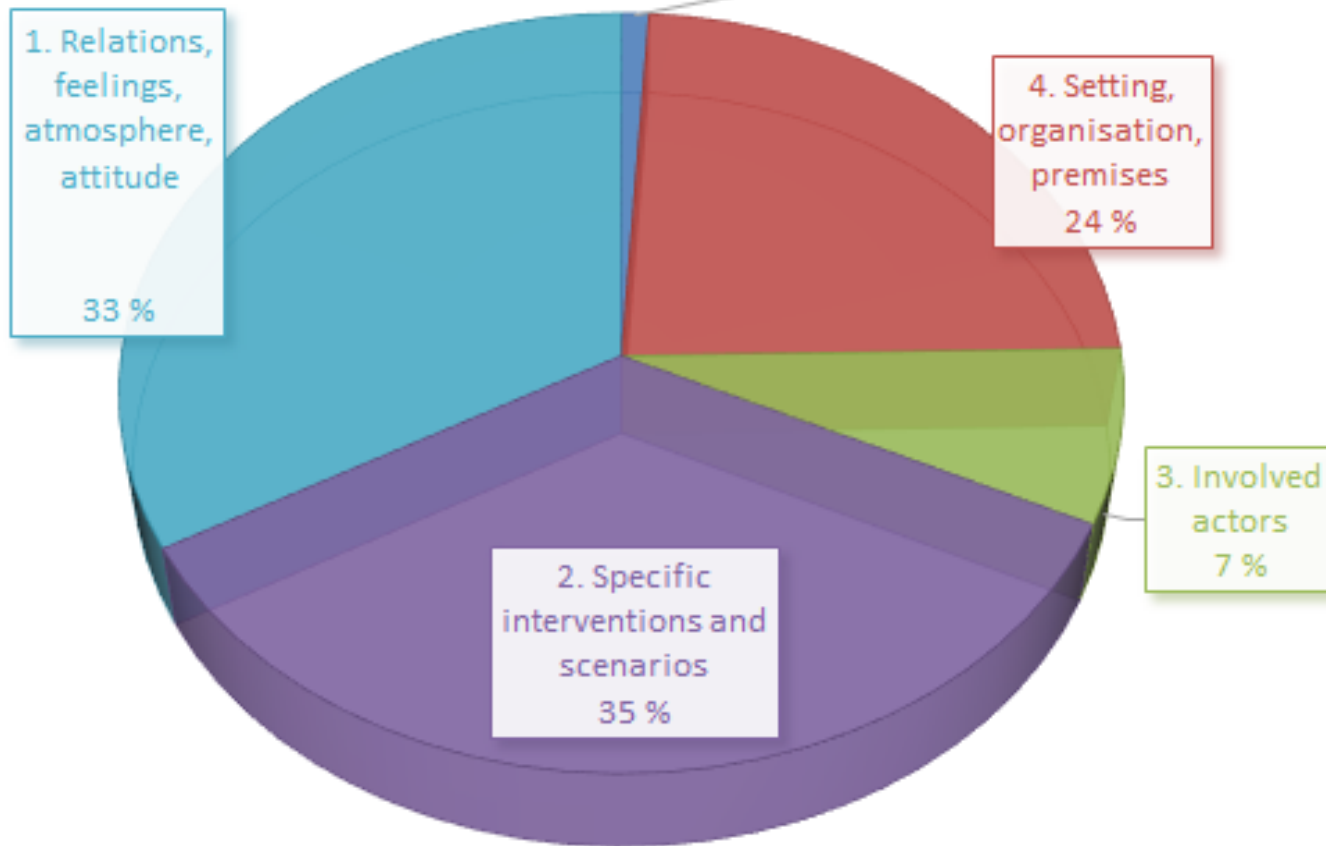
Theme 5: General comments



Best care



I would like to change



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