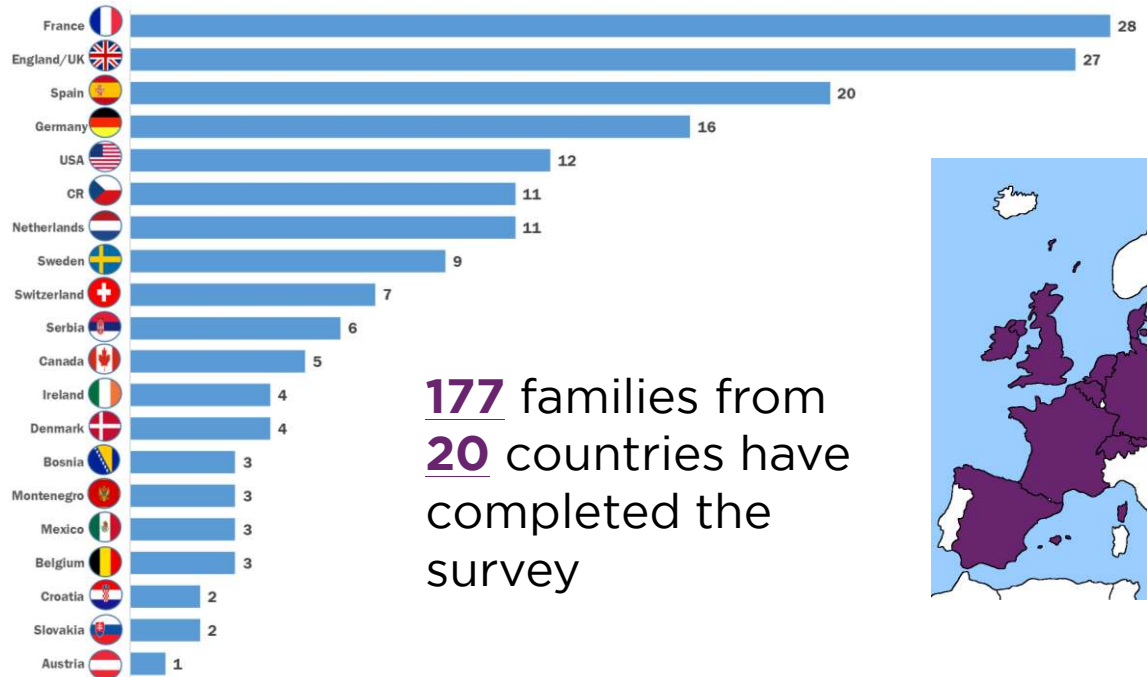


# Anxiety and family-wellbeing in WS: An international study

We are nearing the end of data collection for our family well-being in WS international study. We are hugely grateful for all the support from the WS associations that we have received so far and delighted that this support has led to 177 families taking part in the study. In this report, as well as some demographic data, there are some initial insights from the data (please be aware these may fluctuate and change as we get more data collected).

## Demographics:

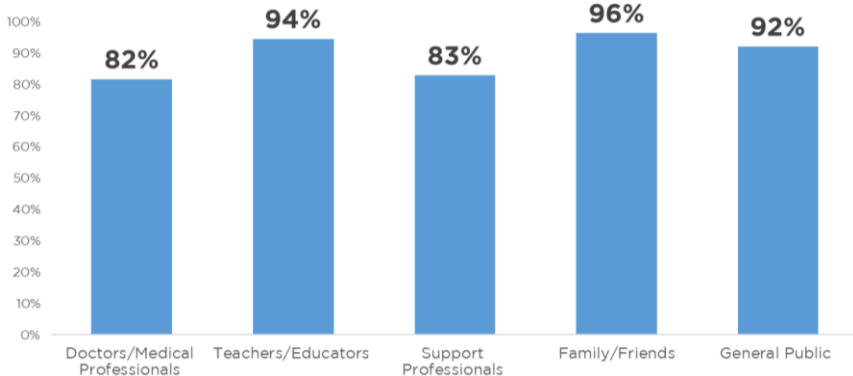


**177** families from **20** countries have completed the survey



## Support and Understanding

% of Participants that suggested they have to explain what Williams Syndrome is to the following groups:



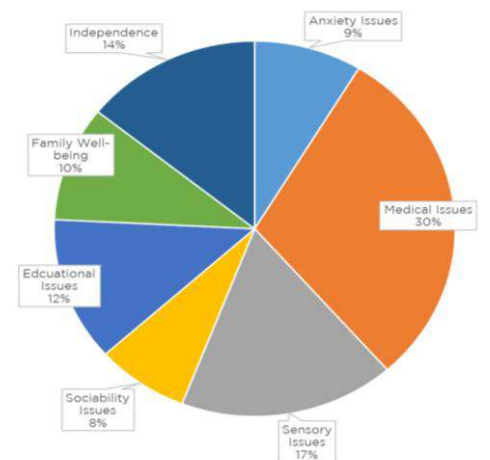
**77%**

• Participants disagreed / strongly disagreed that there is good understanding about WS in their country

**(only) 24%**

• Participants agreed/ strongly agreed that there is good support for families of children with WS

Priority area for wanting support:



## Anxiety and family well-being

**62%**

WS children had **heightened anxiety** according to parental reports

**50%**

• Participants agreed / strongly agreed that they find parenting stressful

**89%**

• Participants agreed/ strongly agreed that their child with WS brings them joy

% sample reporting moderate-extremely severe on these dimensions of the DASS, in parents of WS from the current study and from a previous (UK-based) study

