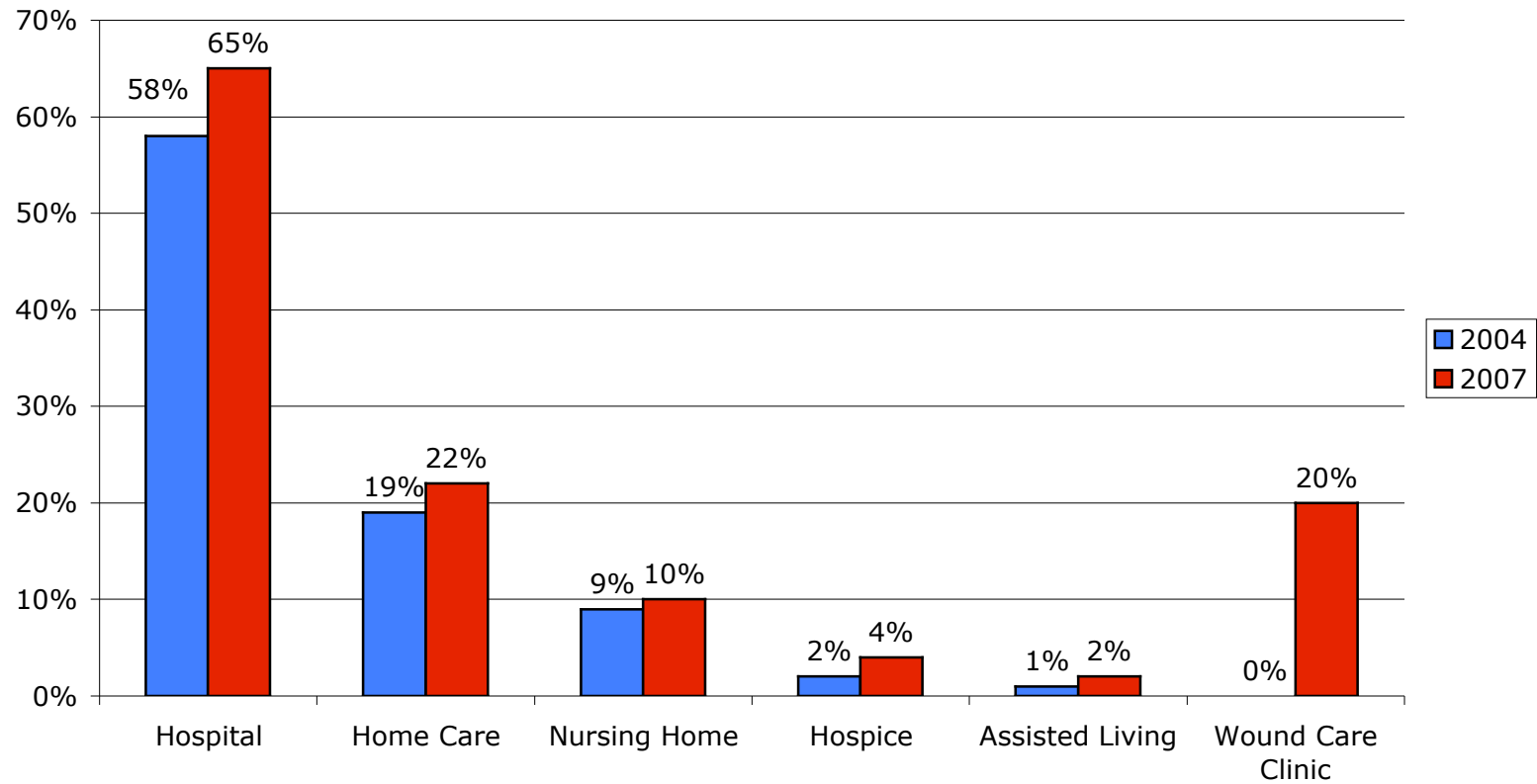


2007/2004

**Comparative Survey on
Pressure Relief Devices.**



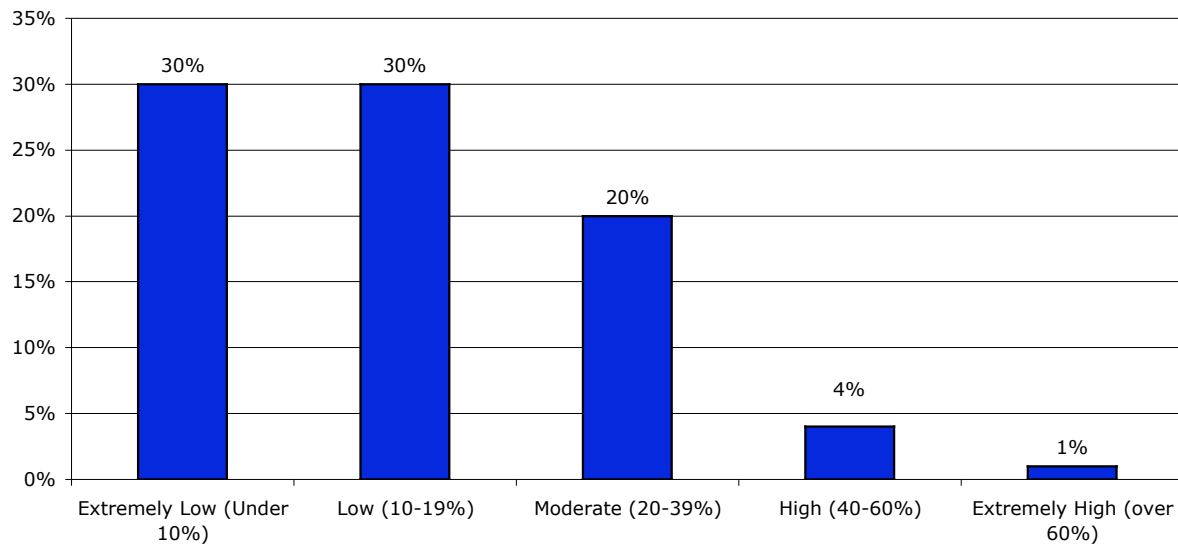
In what type of environment do you work?



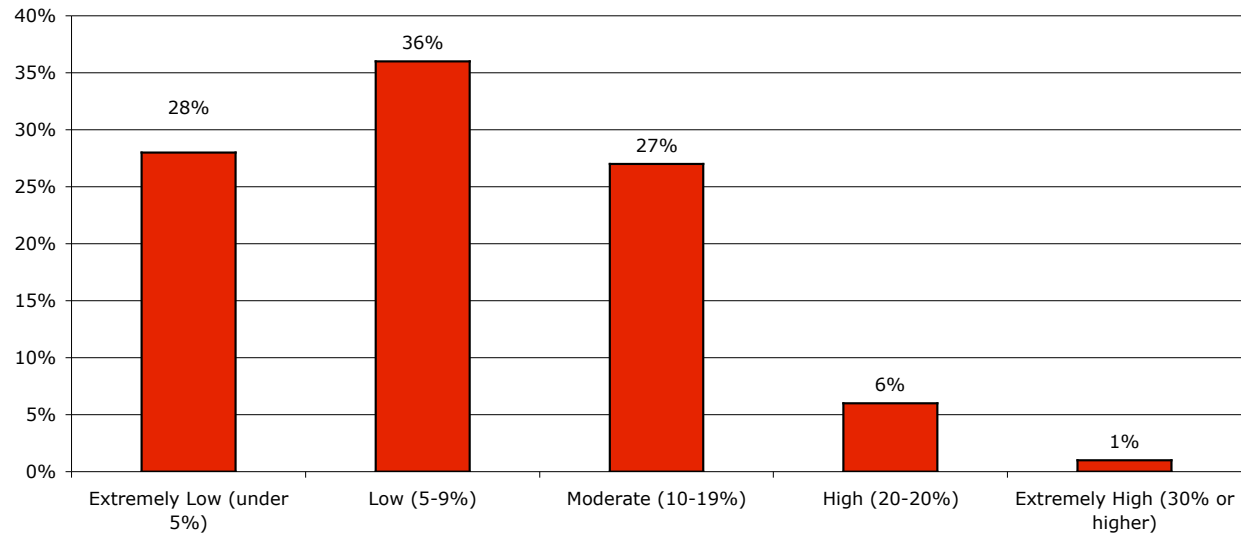
1,401 responses in 2007.

Note: Wound Care Clinics were not an option in the 2004 survey.

What is the rate of incidence of heel pressure ulcers at your workplace? *(2004 responses)*



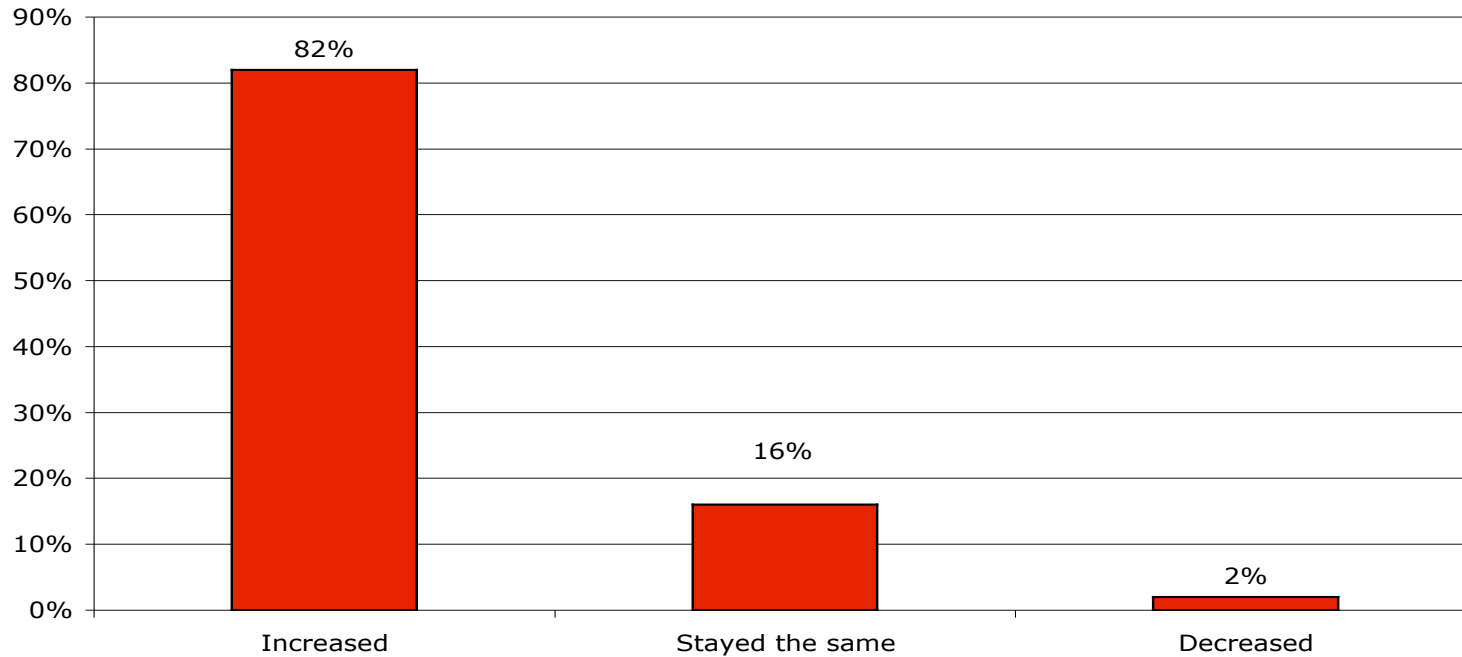
What is the rate of incidence of heel pressure ulcers at your workplace? *(2007 responses)*



1,360 responses in 2007

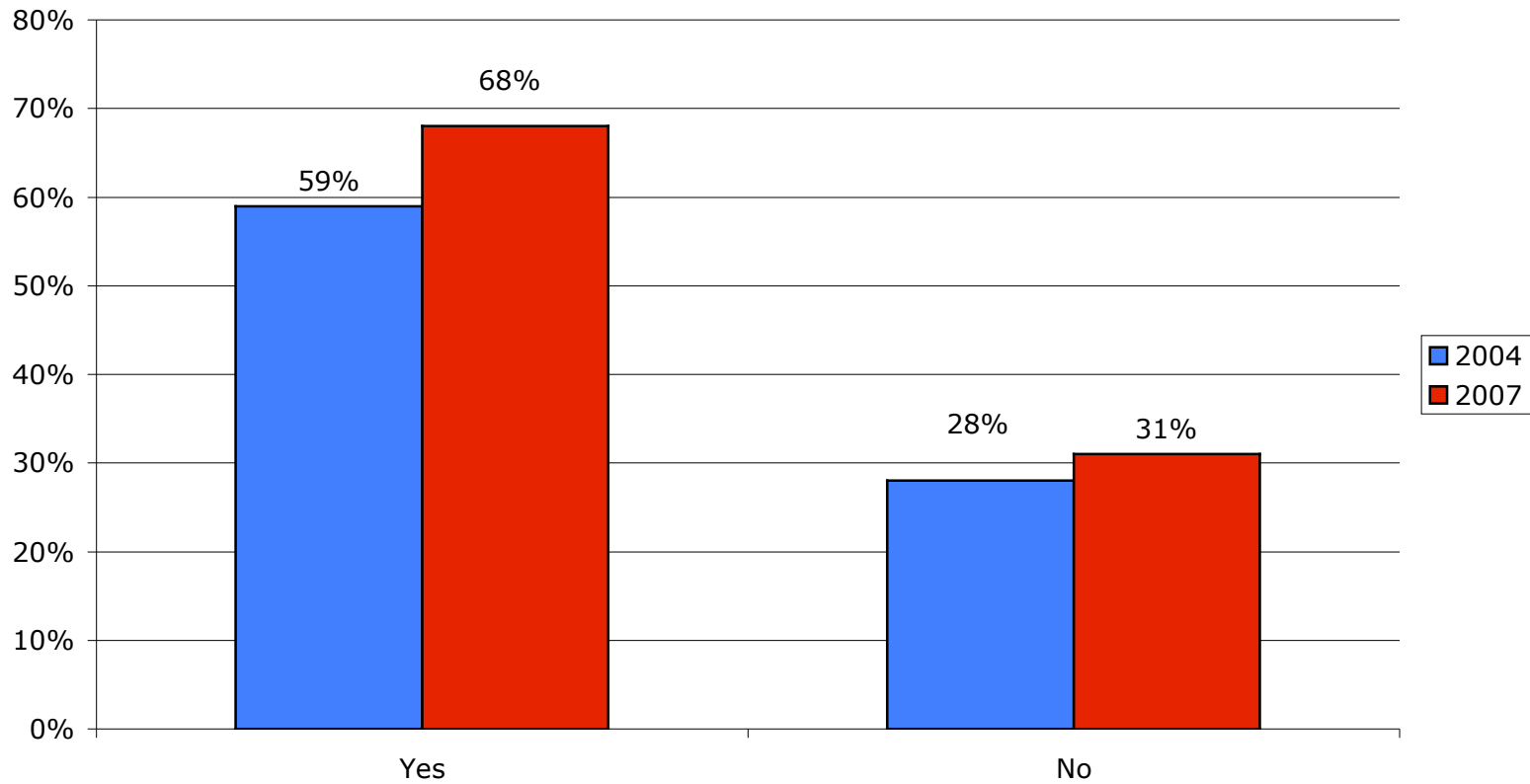
For the 2007 survey, lower numbers were assigned to each range of incidence to reflect the developments that have occurred in pressure ulcer prevention over the last three years. Despite the percentage range decreasing for what could be considered a "low" incidence rate, more nurses indicated that pressure ulcer incidence at their workplace was low in 2007.

In the last couple of years, the concern for preventing and/or treating pressure ulcers as soon as they develop has:



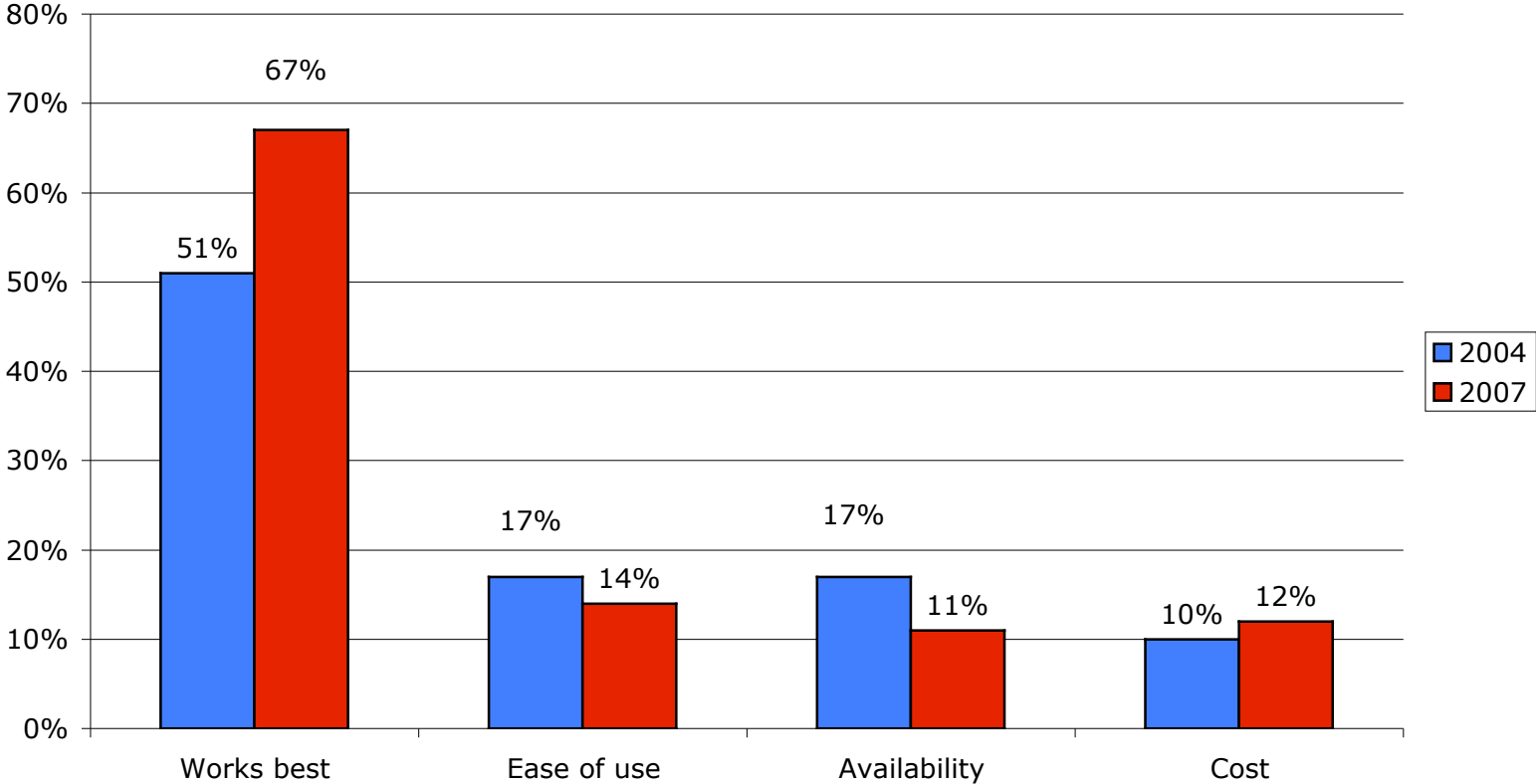
1,397 responses in 2007.
This question did not appear on the 2004 survey.

Does your workplace have a formal protocol for assessing the potential risk of heel pressure ulcers occurring in patients?



1,397 responses in 2007.

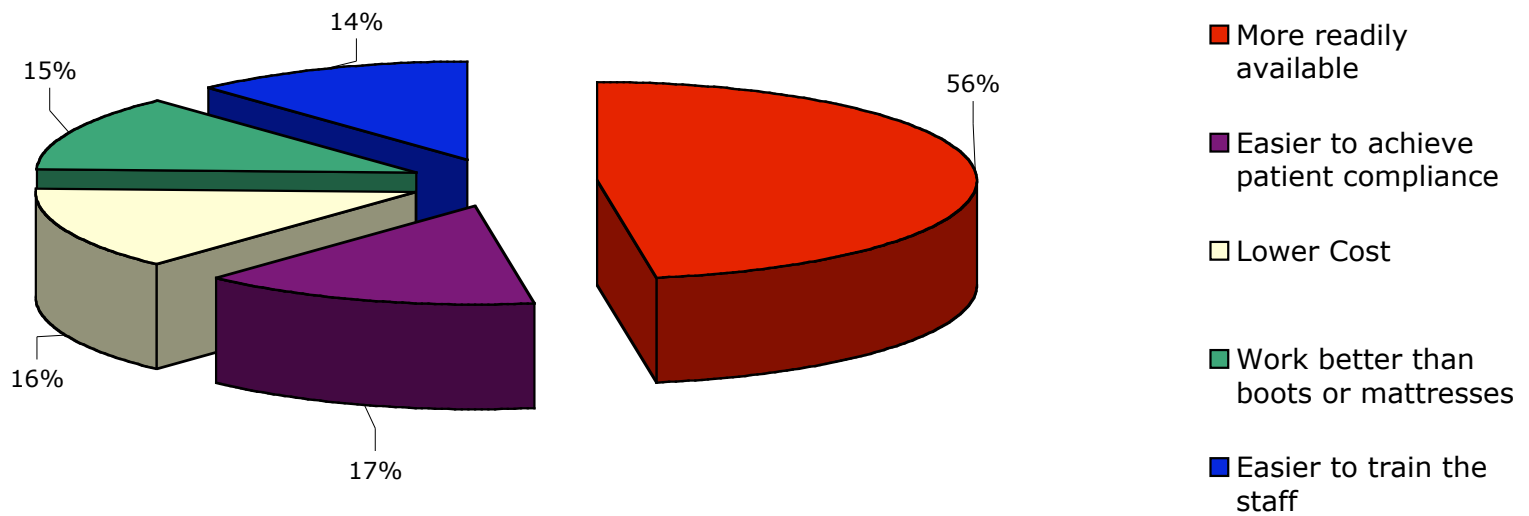
What is the single most influential factor in your recommendation of a heel pressure relief device?



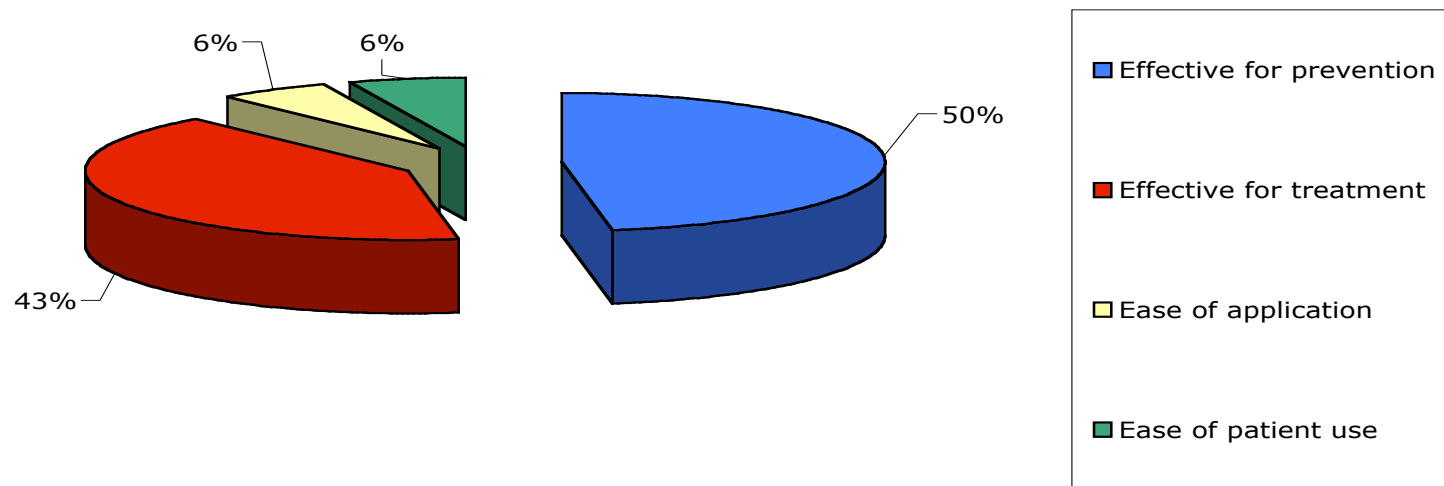
1,383 responses in 2007.

If you rated **PILLOWS** highly, what was the most important feature?

1,062 responses.

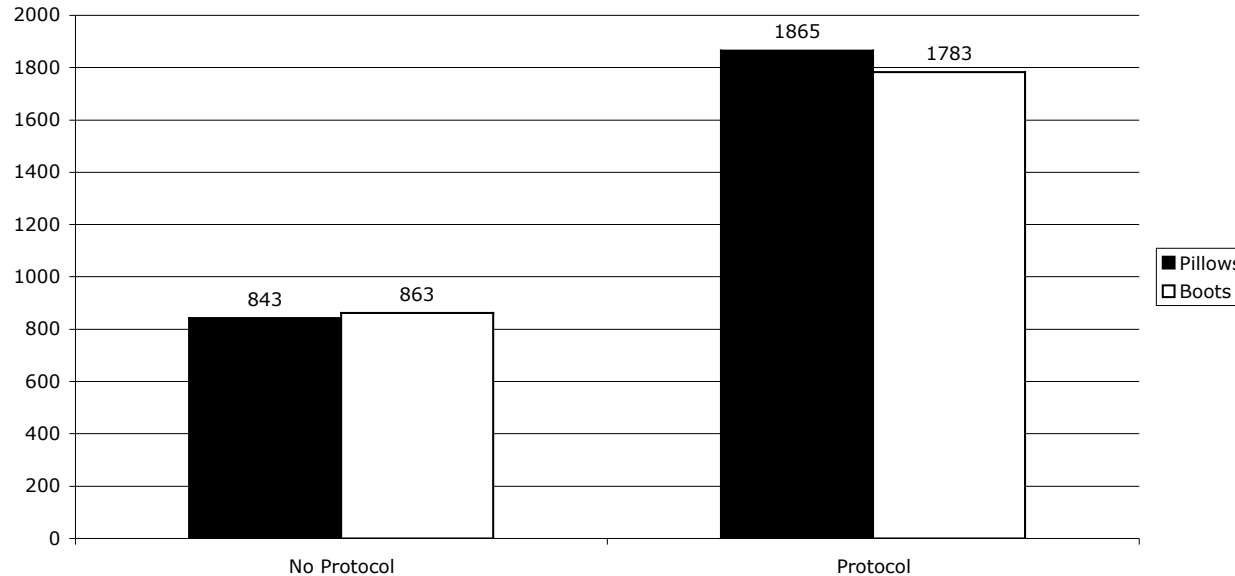


If you rated **PRESSURE RELIEF BOOTS** highly, what was the most important factor in your decision?



977 responses.

Pillow versus boot ratings in relationship to a formal Pressure Ulcer Protocol.



In the 2007 survey, nurses were asked to rate pillows and boots 1-4, with 1 being the best ranking. In the above chart, therefore, lower numbers represent higher ratings.

In environments where no formal pressure ulcer protocol existed, pillows rated slightly better than boots. However, where a formal protocol did exist, boots rated higher than pillows. This indicates that boots are rated better than pillows in environments where there is a formal pressure ulcer protocol.