

Gojo & Company | **Sri Lanka Financial Diaries Tracking Survey (2023 Apr)**

2023-05-22

Summary

- Access to food keeps on improving and diarists' financial stress levels reduced compared to February
- One-third of the diarists report that their incomes keep on decreasing
- Similar to the past several months, the rising prices of food items is still a top concern

Comments from Diarists

“We purchase only the essentials”

“I need to save money for loan repayments”

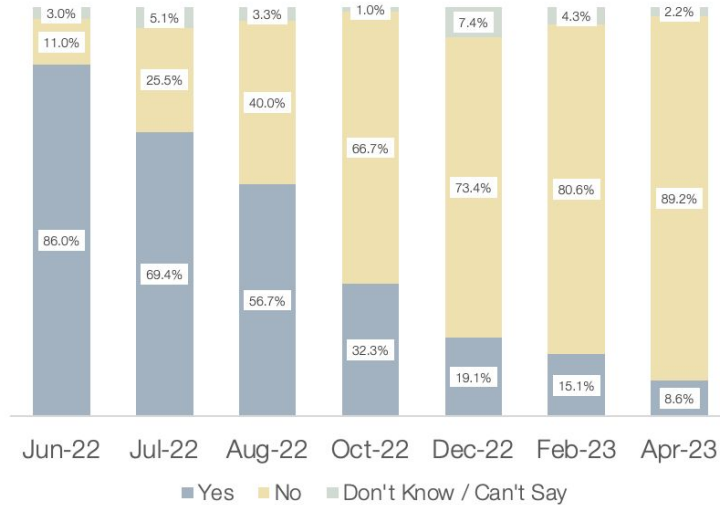
“Our expenses exceed our income”

“We can't get a proper job anywhere”

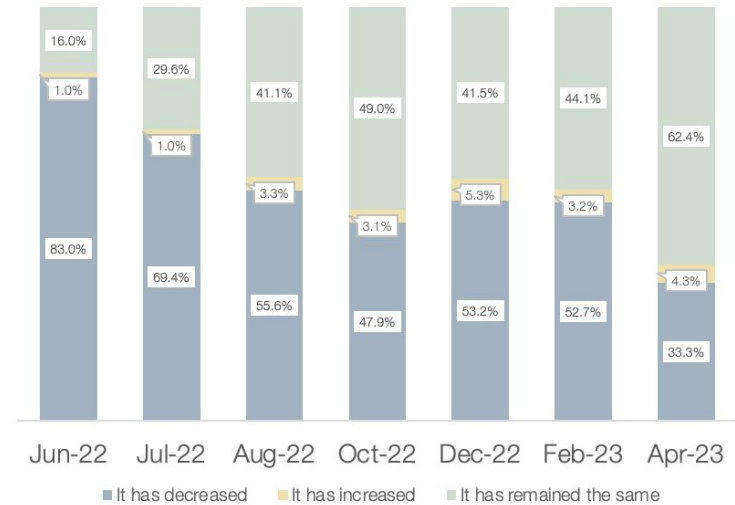
“Children's education expenditure is high”

Monthly Change (Jun '22-Apr '23)

Have you had difficulties finding food in shops near you in the past week?

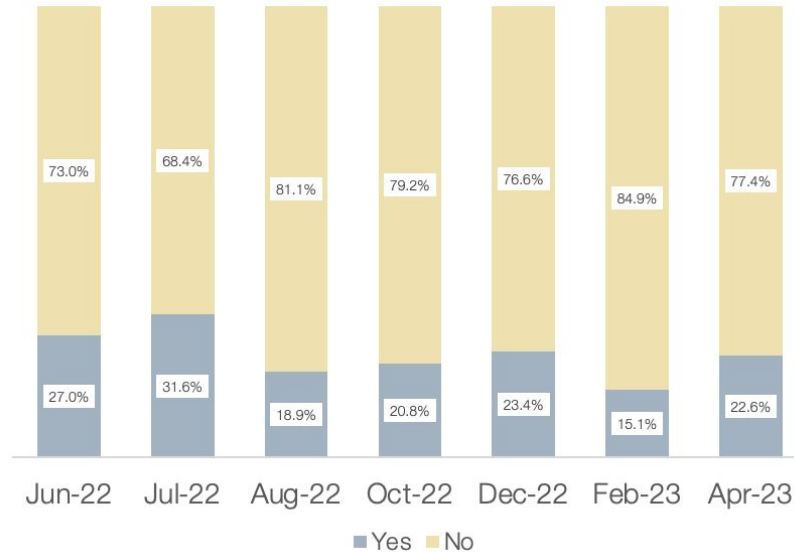


How did your income / your partner's income change in the past month?



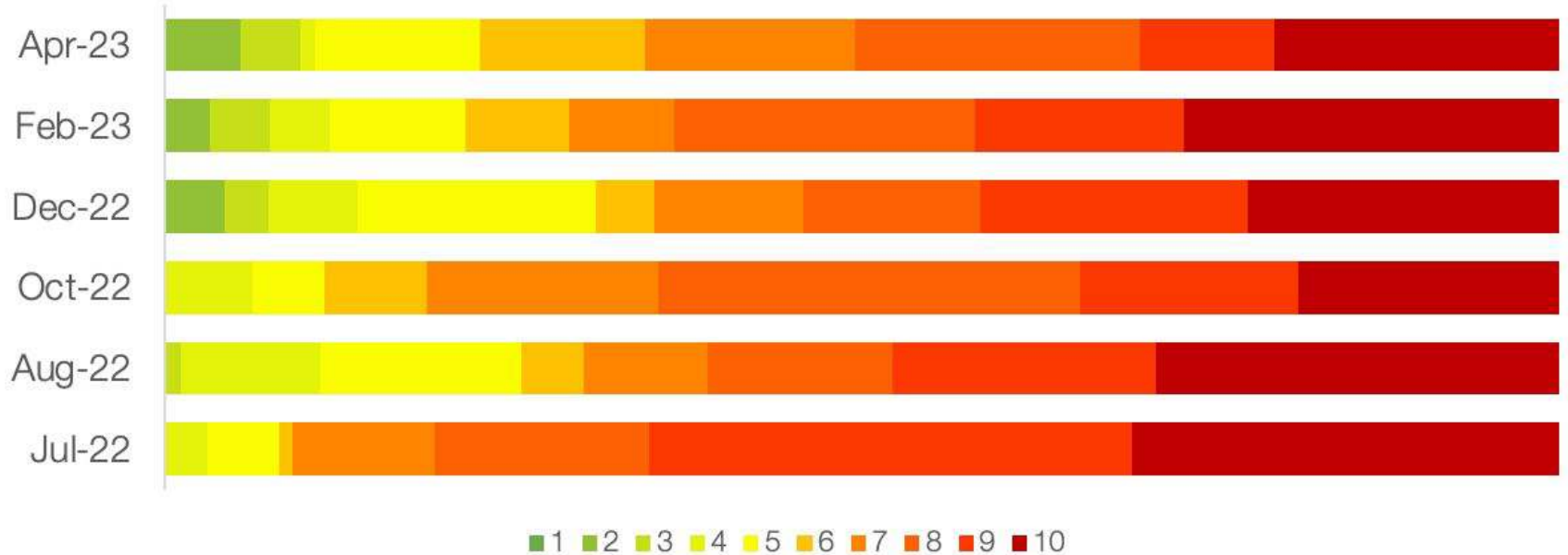
Monthly Change (Jun '22-Apr '23)

Can you tell us whether you experienced any instance where you had to source funds in the last 2 weeks?



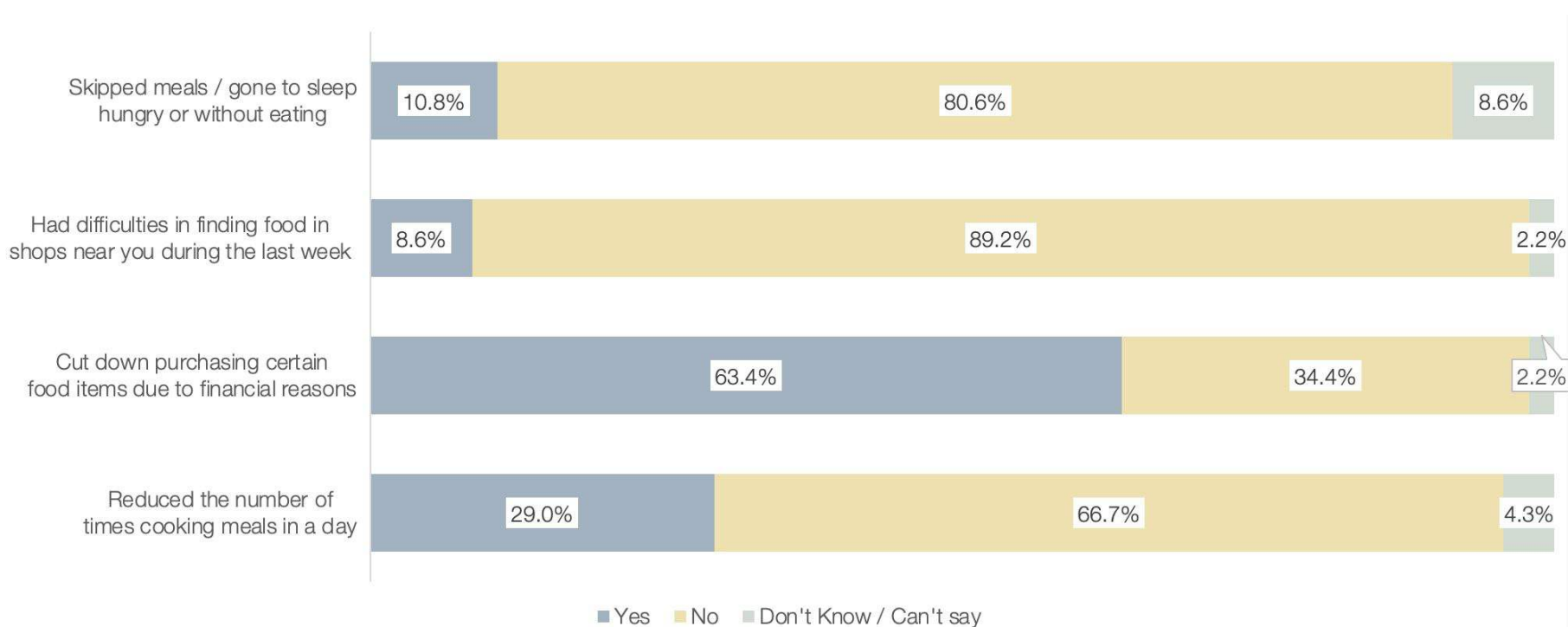
Level of Stress (Jun '22-Apr '23)

How stressed are you in the past two weeks financially?
1 = Not stressed at all, 10 = Very stressed



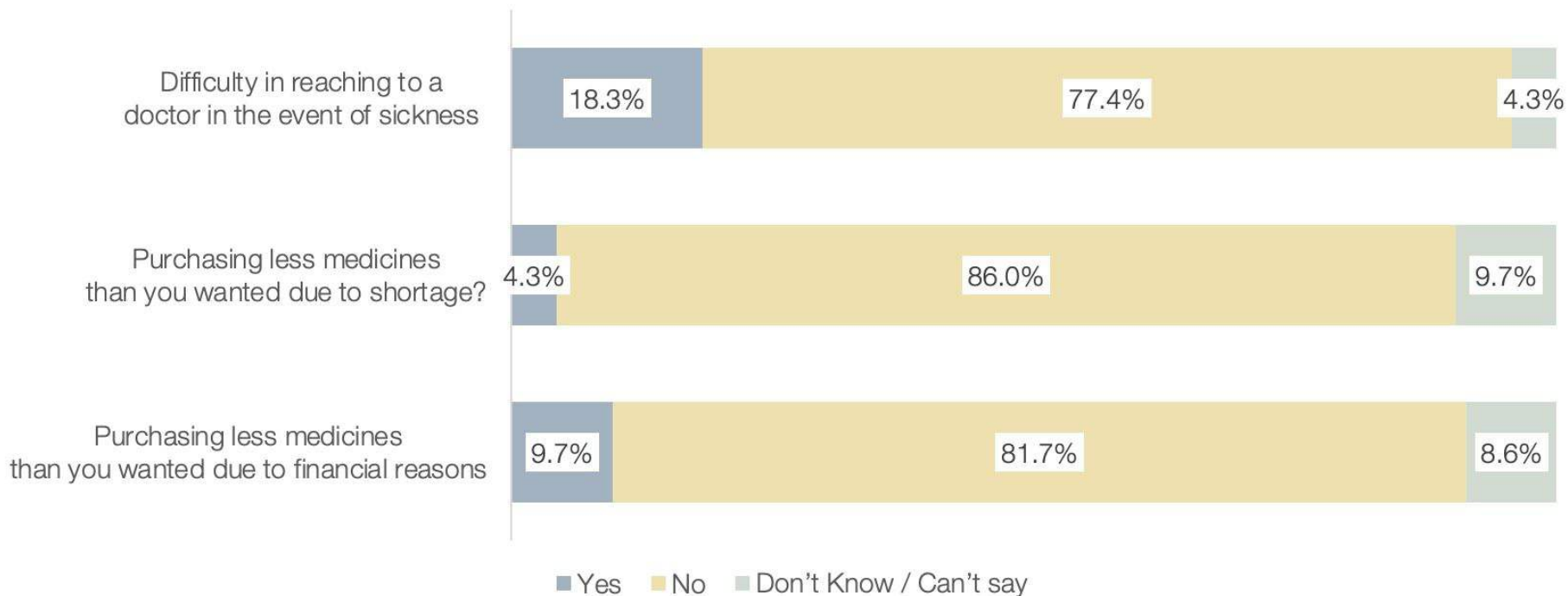
Food (Apr '23)

Did you face any of the below situations in the last 2 weeks?



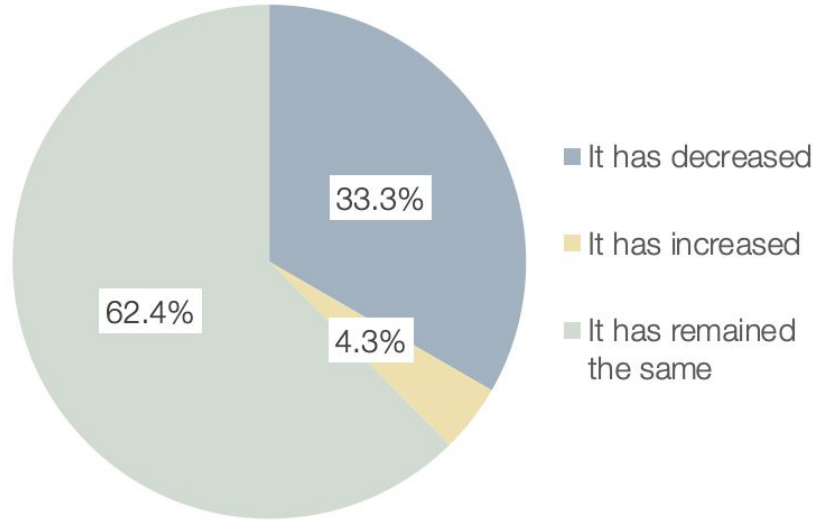
Health (Apr '23)

Did you face any of the below situations in the last 2 weeks?

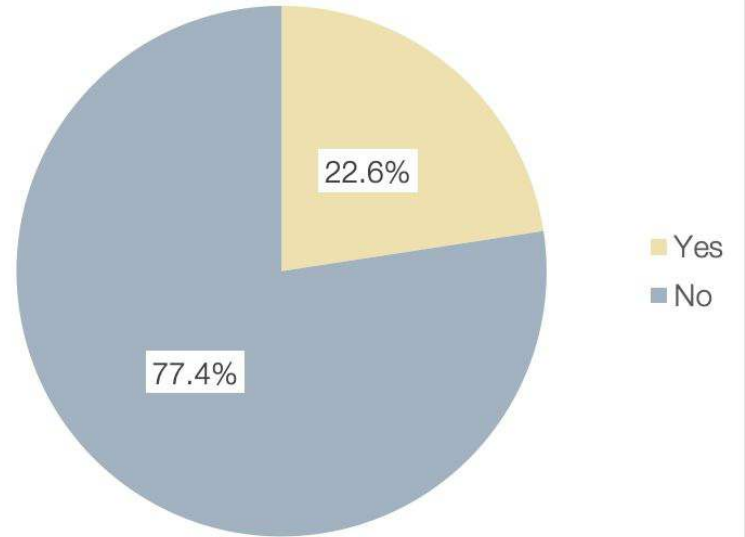


Household Financial Situation (Apr '23)

How did your income / your partner's income change in the past month?

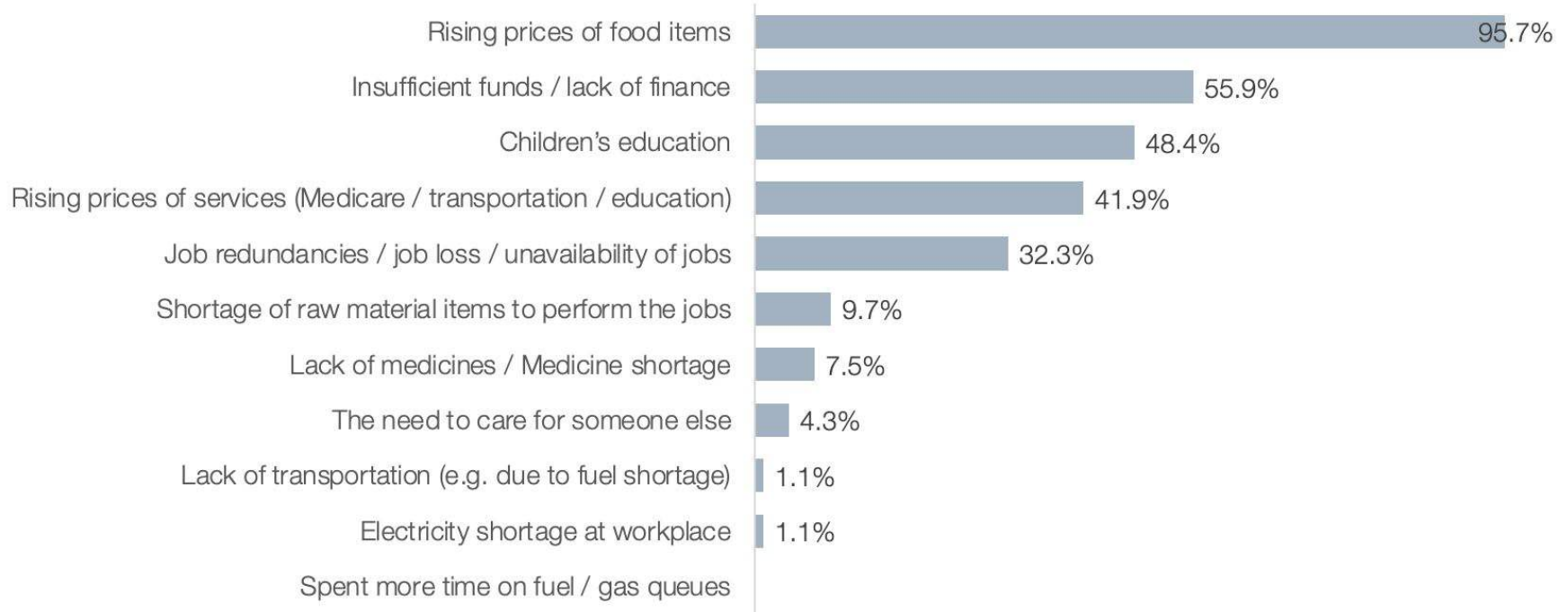


Can you tell us whether you experienced any instance where you had to source fund from a financial institution or from a friend / neighbor in last 2 weeks?

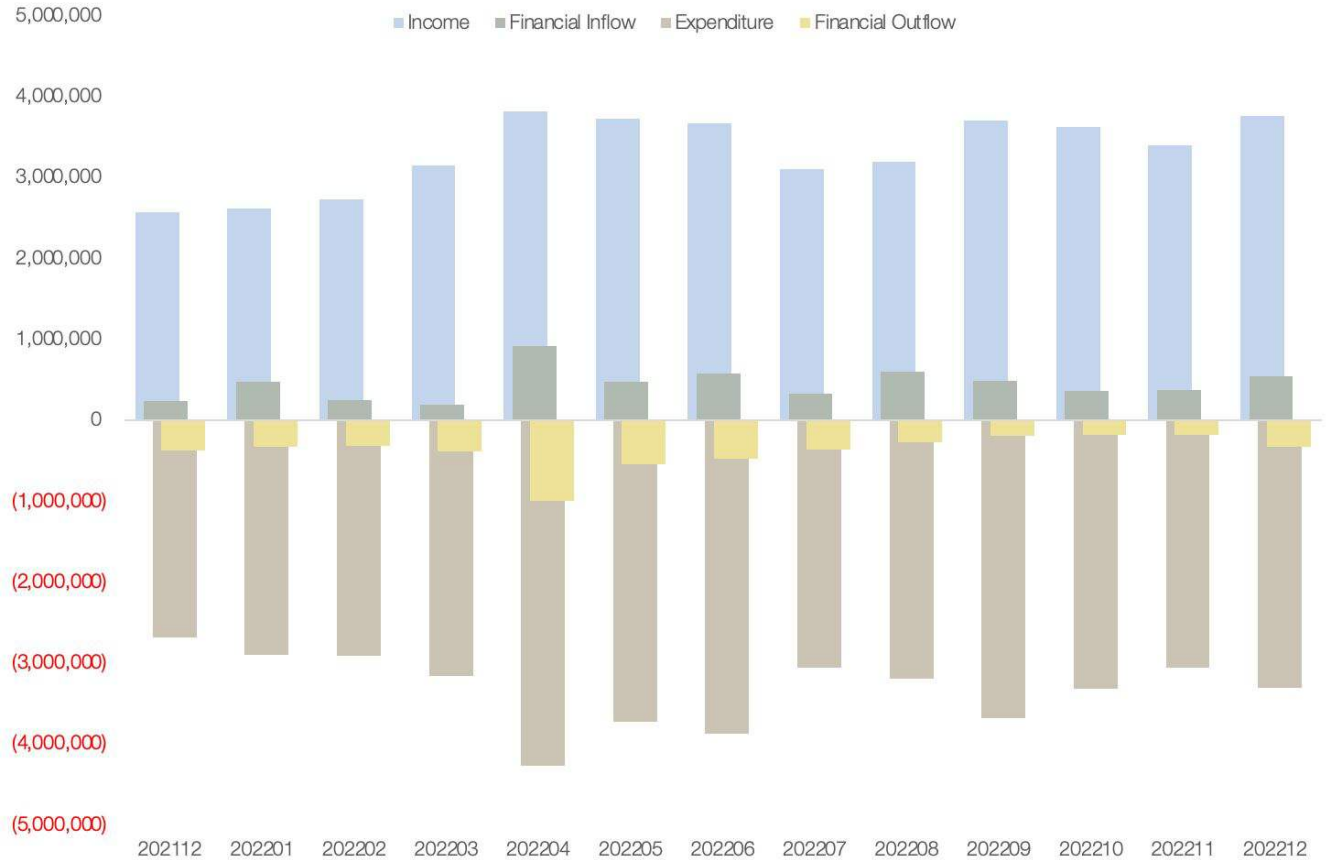


Worst Aspect of Crisis (Apr '23)

What at this right moment, is the worst aspect of the crisis for you and your family?



Inflow and outflow of households (Dec '21-Dec '22)



Food expenses ratio (Dec '21-Dec '22)



Notes

- Data from Gojo Sri Lanka Financial Diaries Project, taking daily inflows and outflows of 94 low-income households across Sri Lanka
- Tracking survey was conducted to all diarists during April 2023
- We are grateful to Sparkwinn Research and our group company Sejaya Micro Credit Limited for their support in conducting this survey

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