

# Information Literacy Competencies of LIS Students in Switzerland A Case Study

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# Who are we?





# Information Literacy in Switzerland



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5	Application
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# Context of the Swiss study

Never done before in Switzerland

- Both schools have participated
- Bachelor curriculum
- Total of 290 students, 79 filled in surveys, 50 have been analyzed, very small sample
- 88% female / 12 % male



# Research Questions

- **RQ1:** To what degree do students get **retrieval** during their studies?
- **RQ2:** To what degree does the basic **information analysis** improve during their studies?
- **RQ3:** To what degree does the **responsibility** **society** improve during their studies?
- **RQ4:** To what degree do students get **organization** during their studies?

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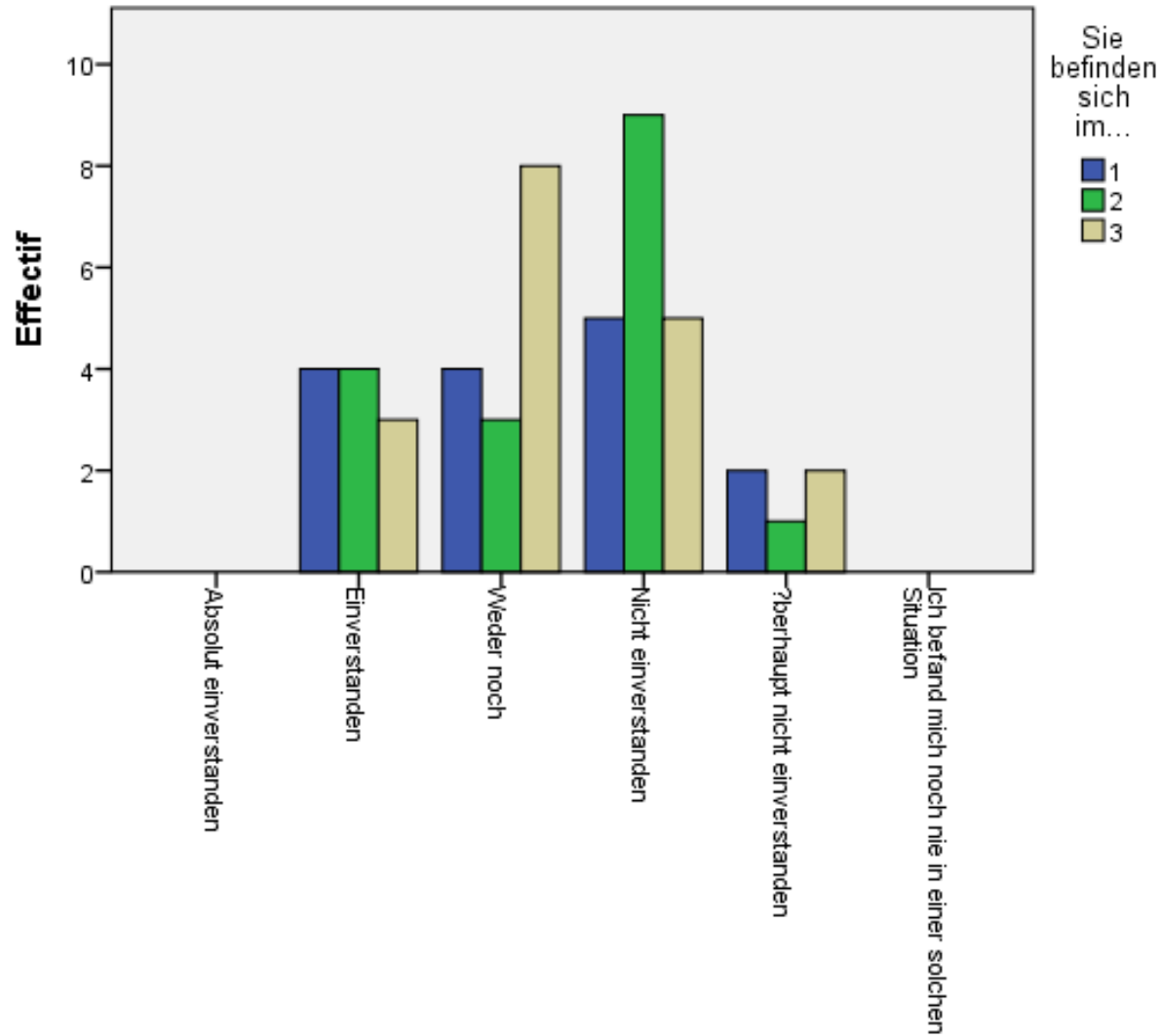
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# Conclusion

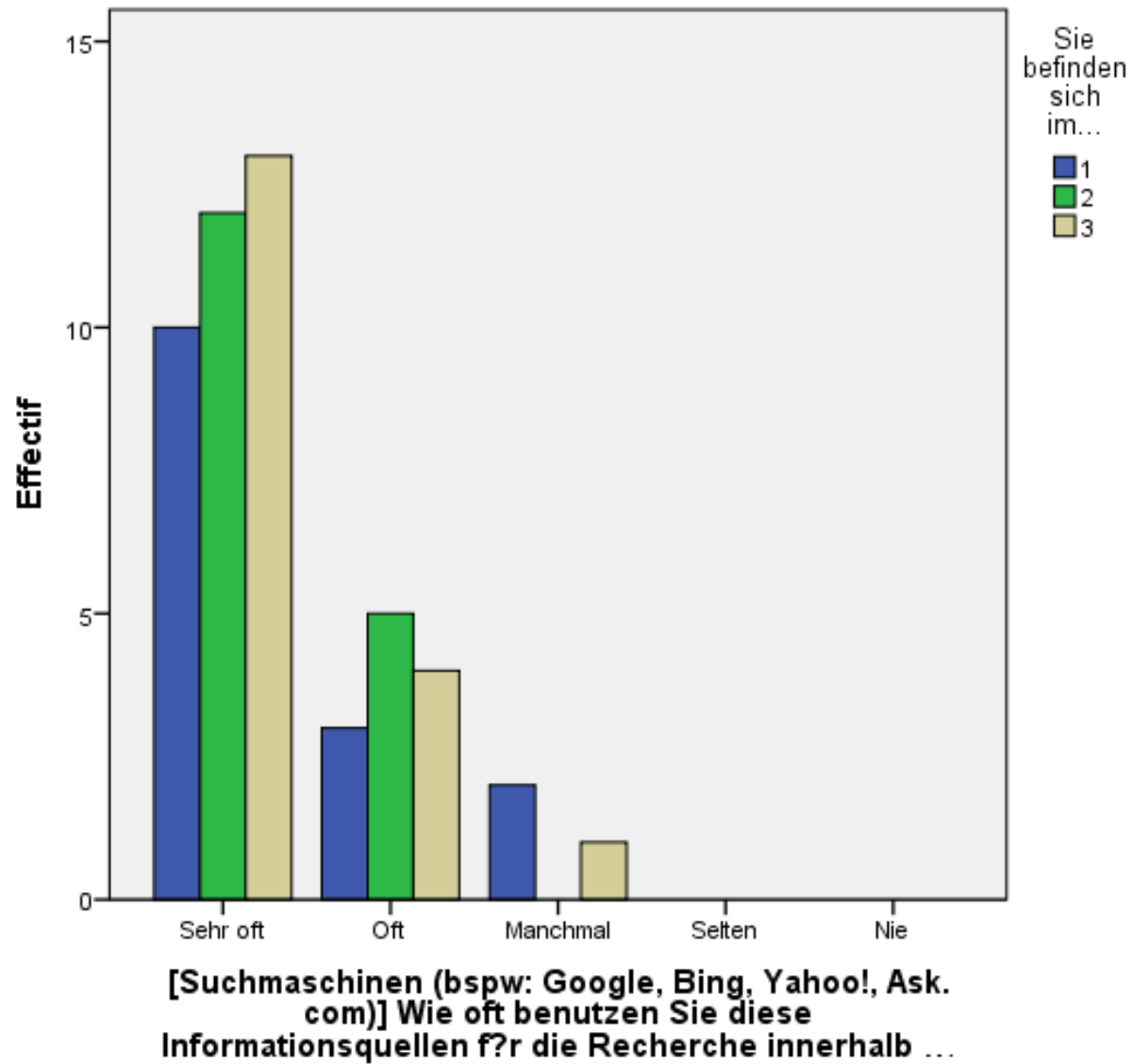
<b>Information need</b>	Difficulty to develop a search strategy (RQ2) Finding keywords (RQ2 ) Creation of research plan (RQ2) Change of keywords after unsuccessful search (RQ2)	Good Good Bad Mixed
<b>Information retrieval</b>	Finding the appropriate database is difficult (RQ1) Finding the appropriate article within a database is difficult (RQ1) Frequency of use of databases (RQ1)	Mixed Good Good
<b>Information organization</b>	Use of bibliographic tool (RQ3)	Bad
<b>Responsibility within information society</b>	Difficulty to know when to cite a source (RQ3) Difficulty to know to cite in the correct format (RQ3) Difficulty to know if it is plagiarism or not (RQ4)	Good Good Good



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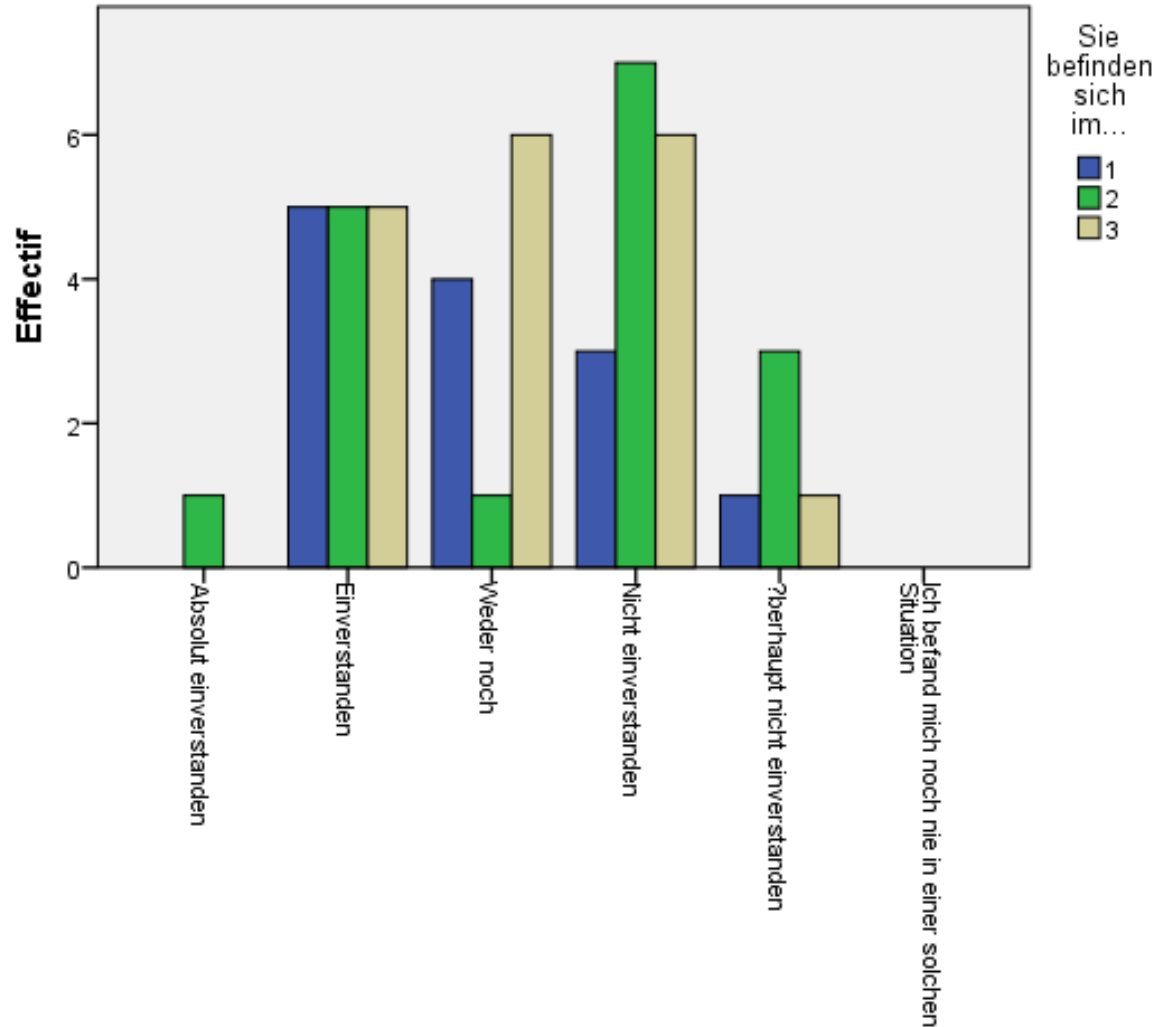
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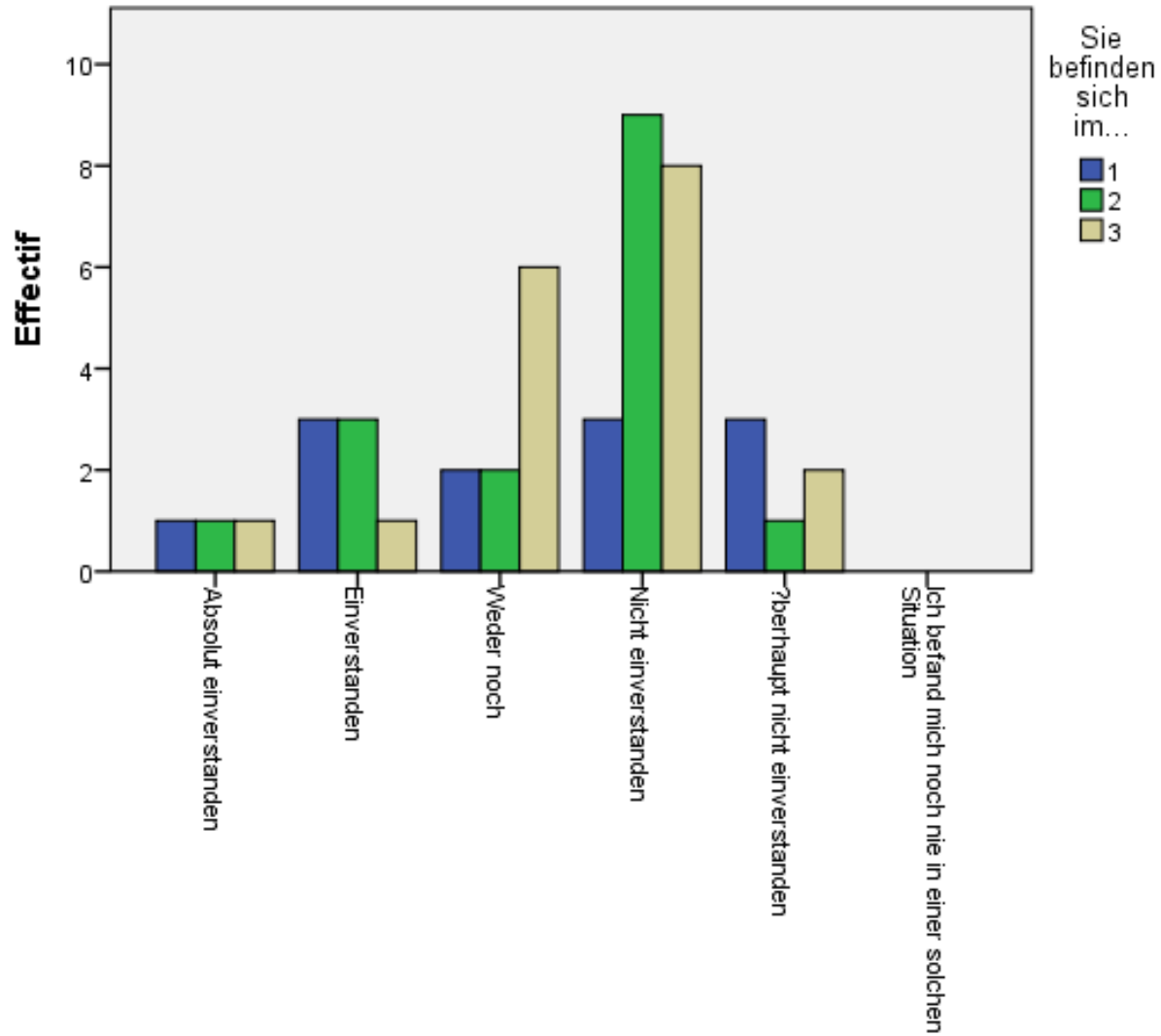
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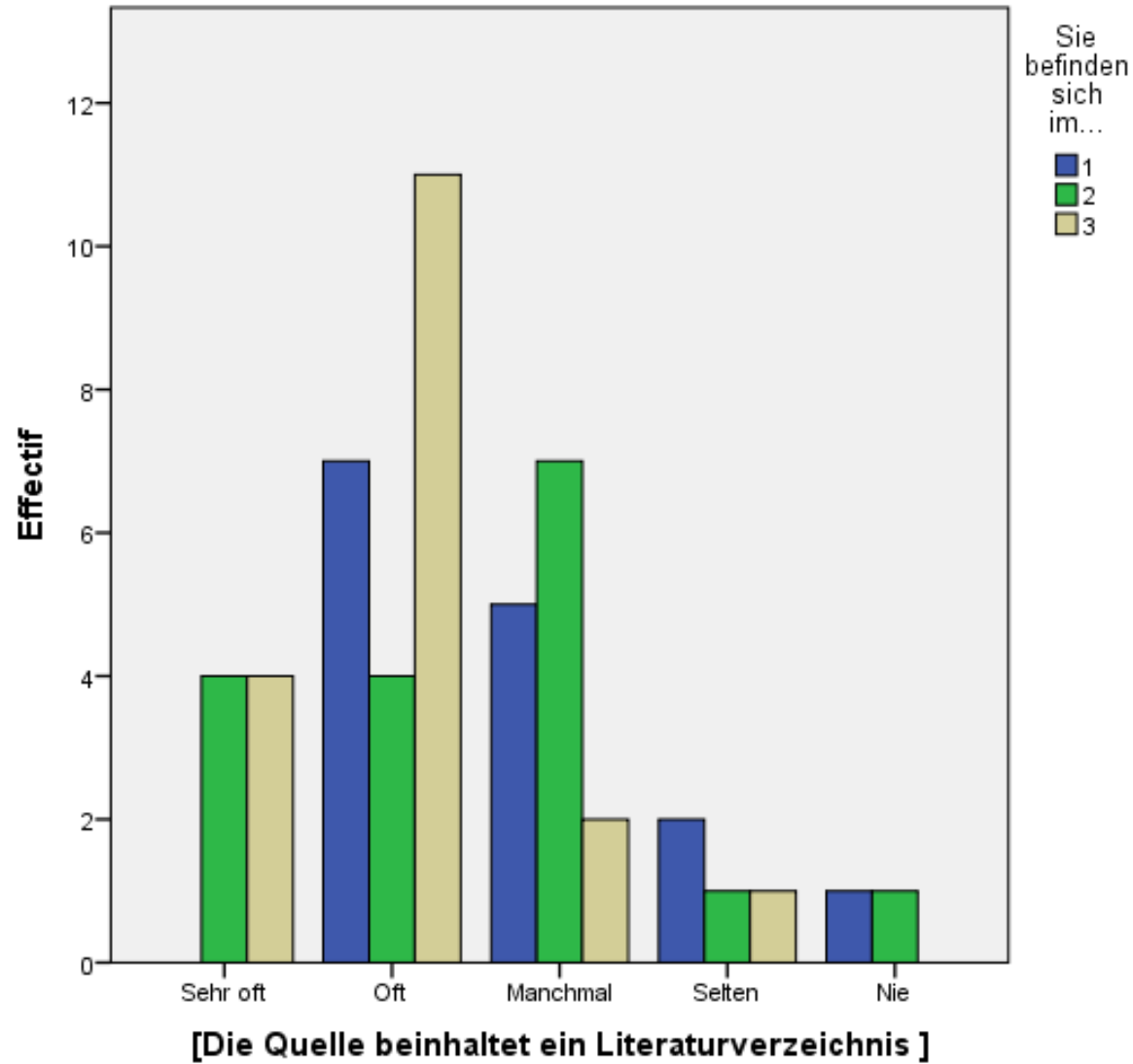
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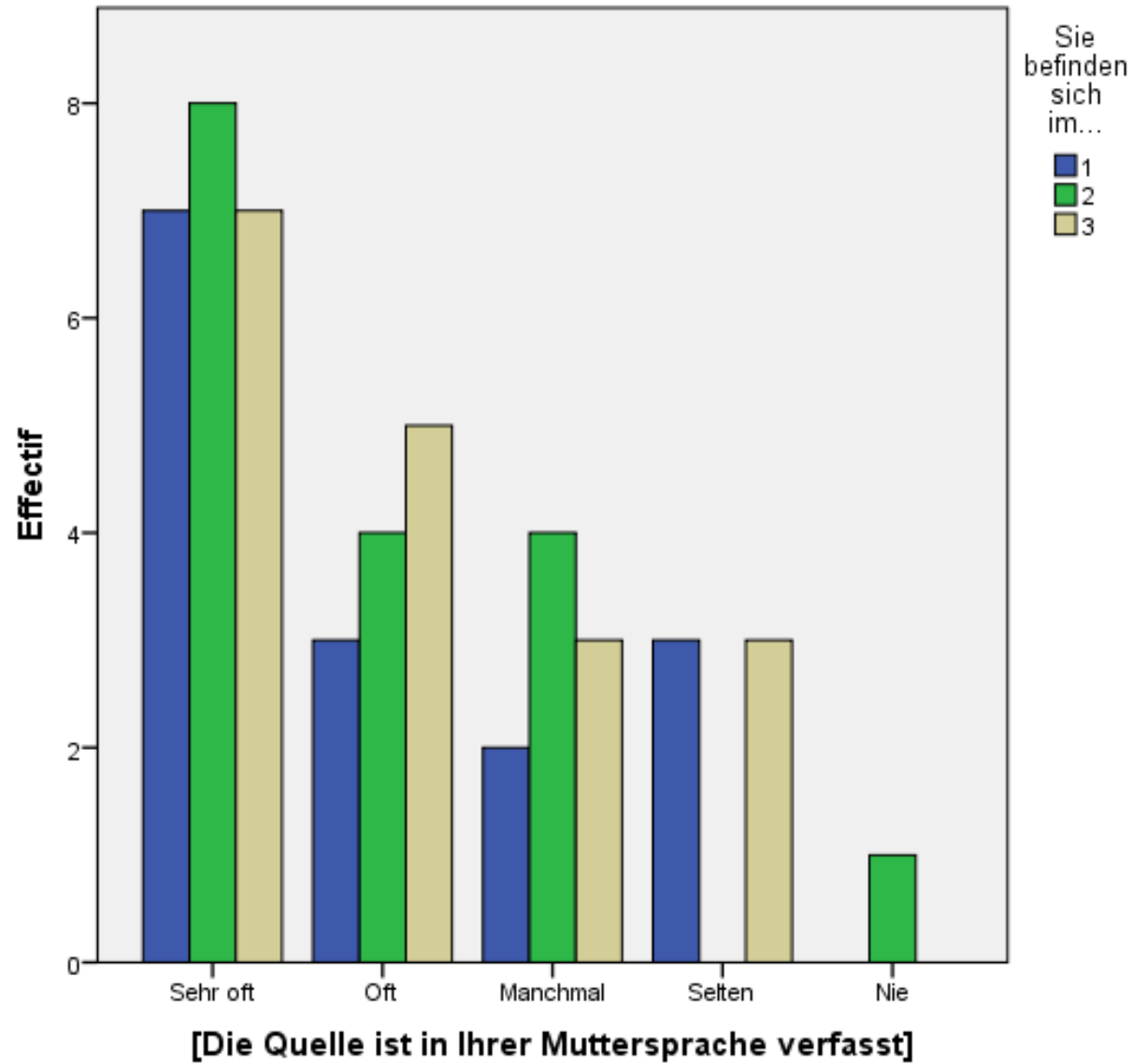


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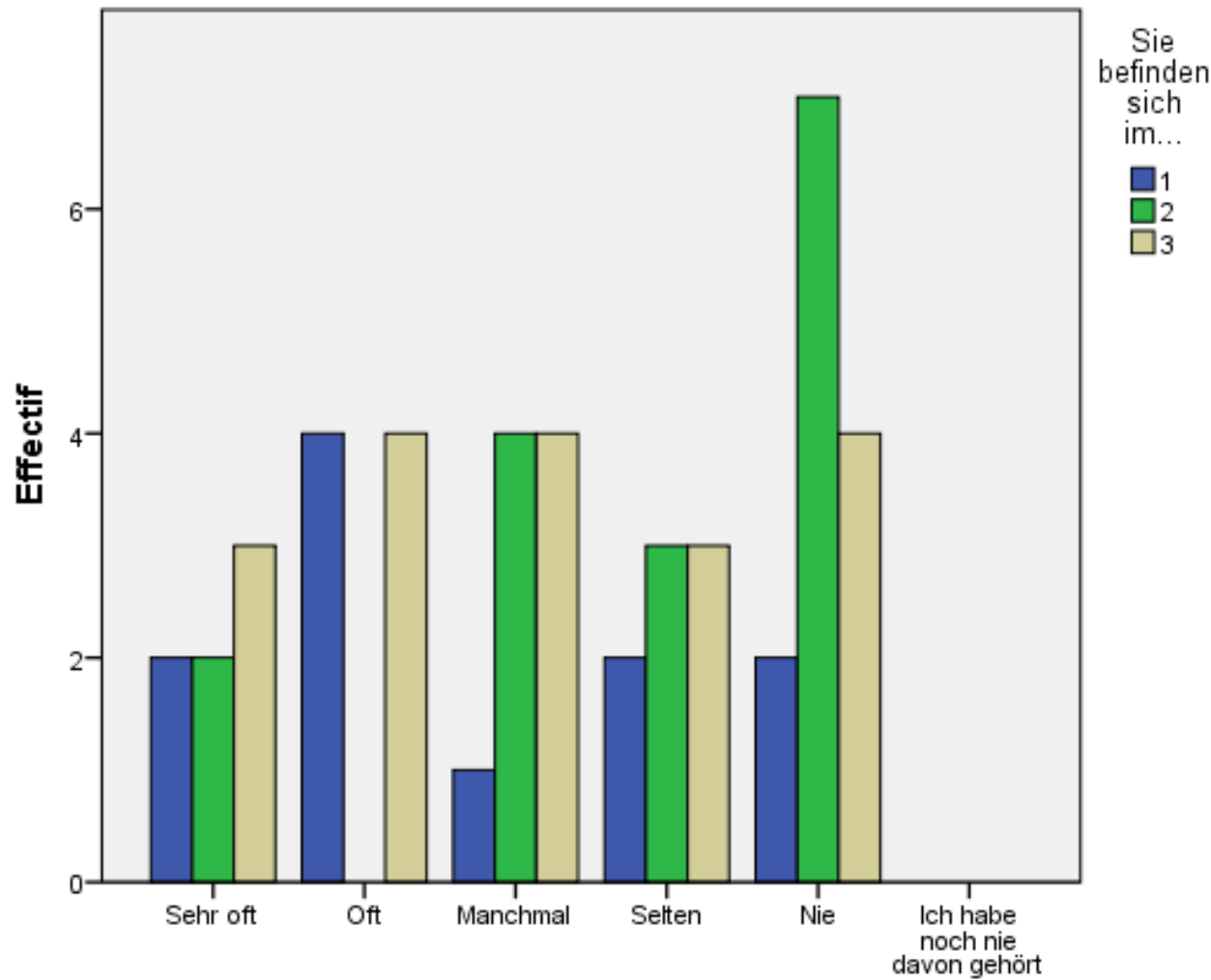
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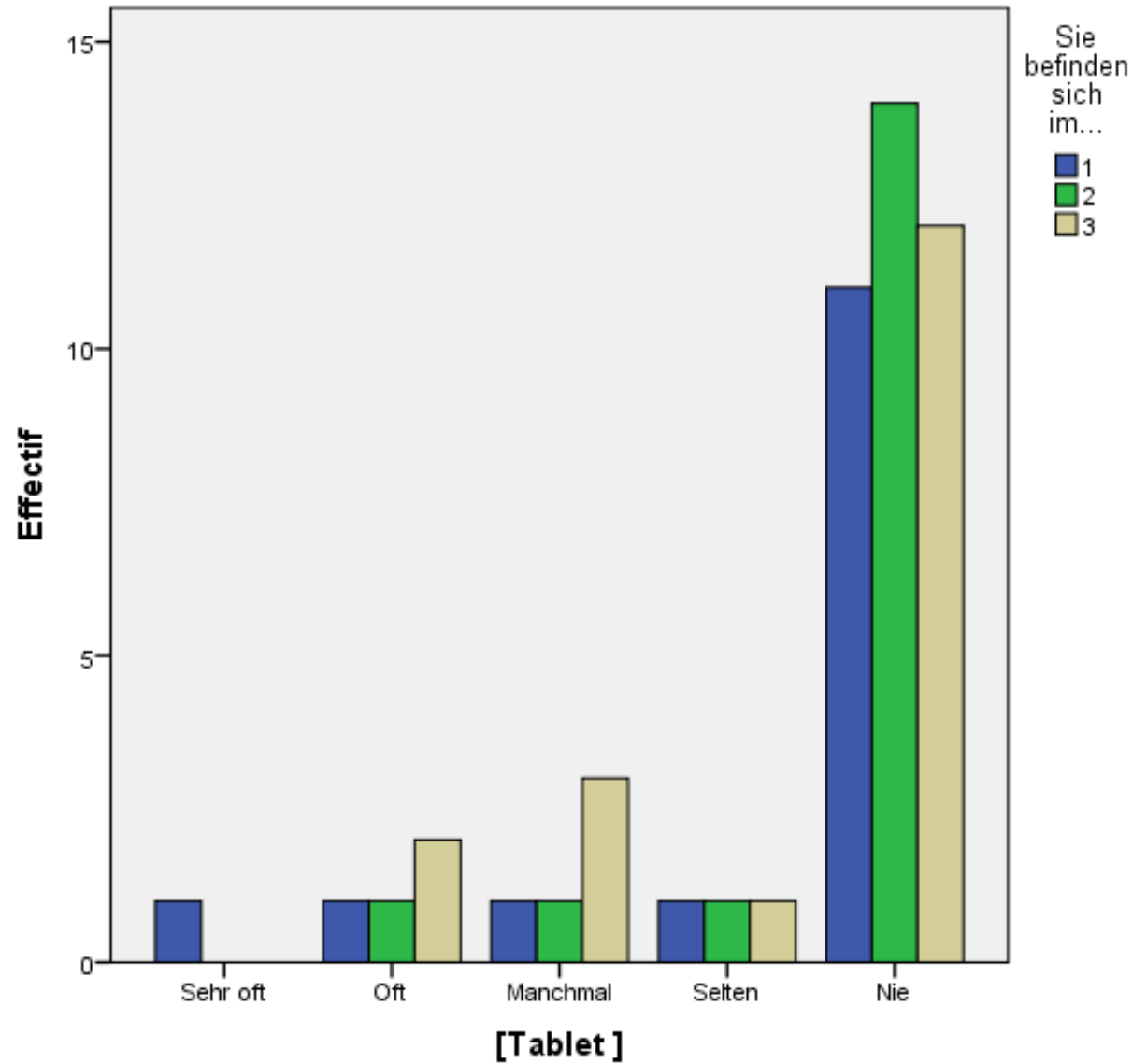


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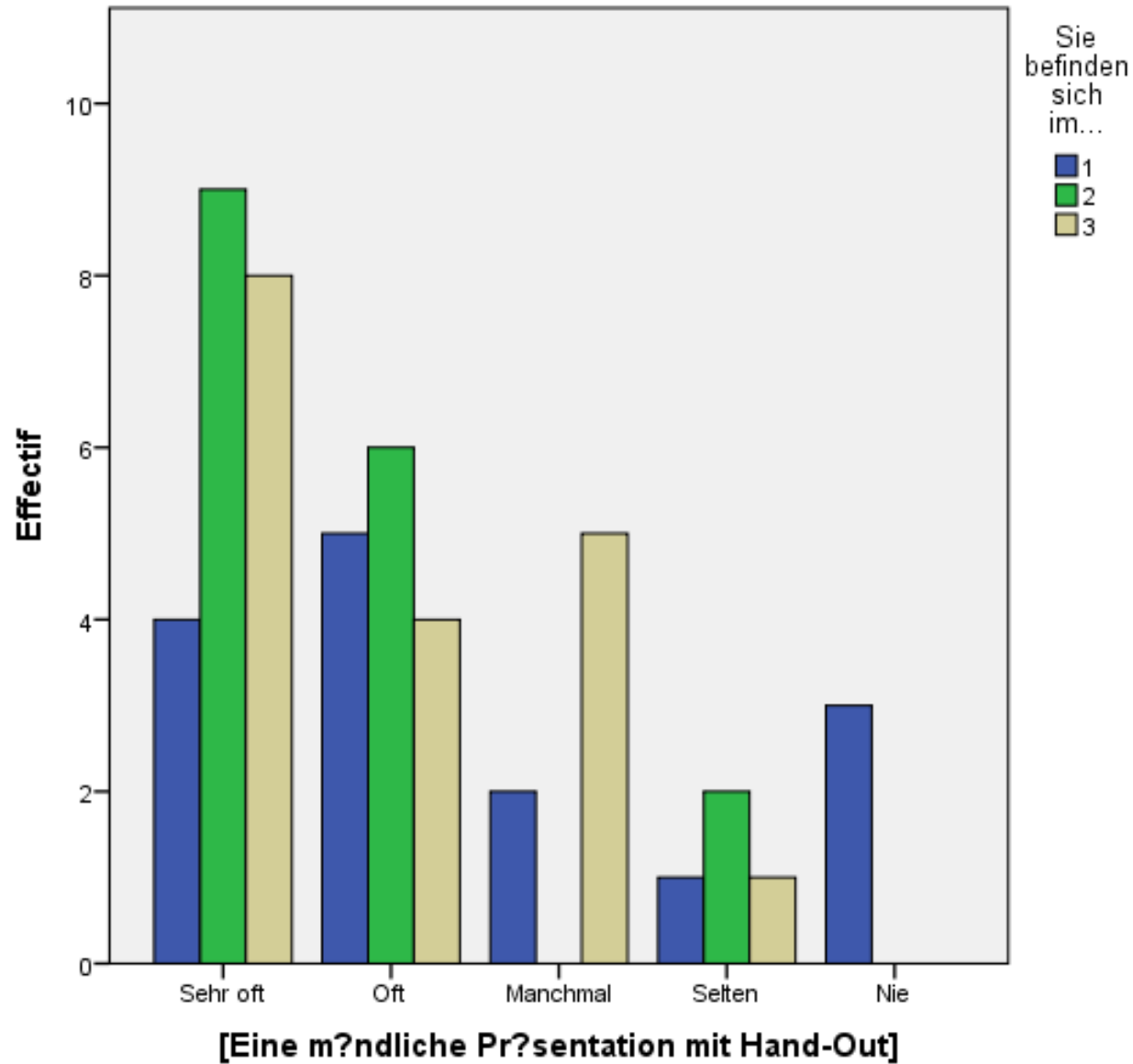


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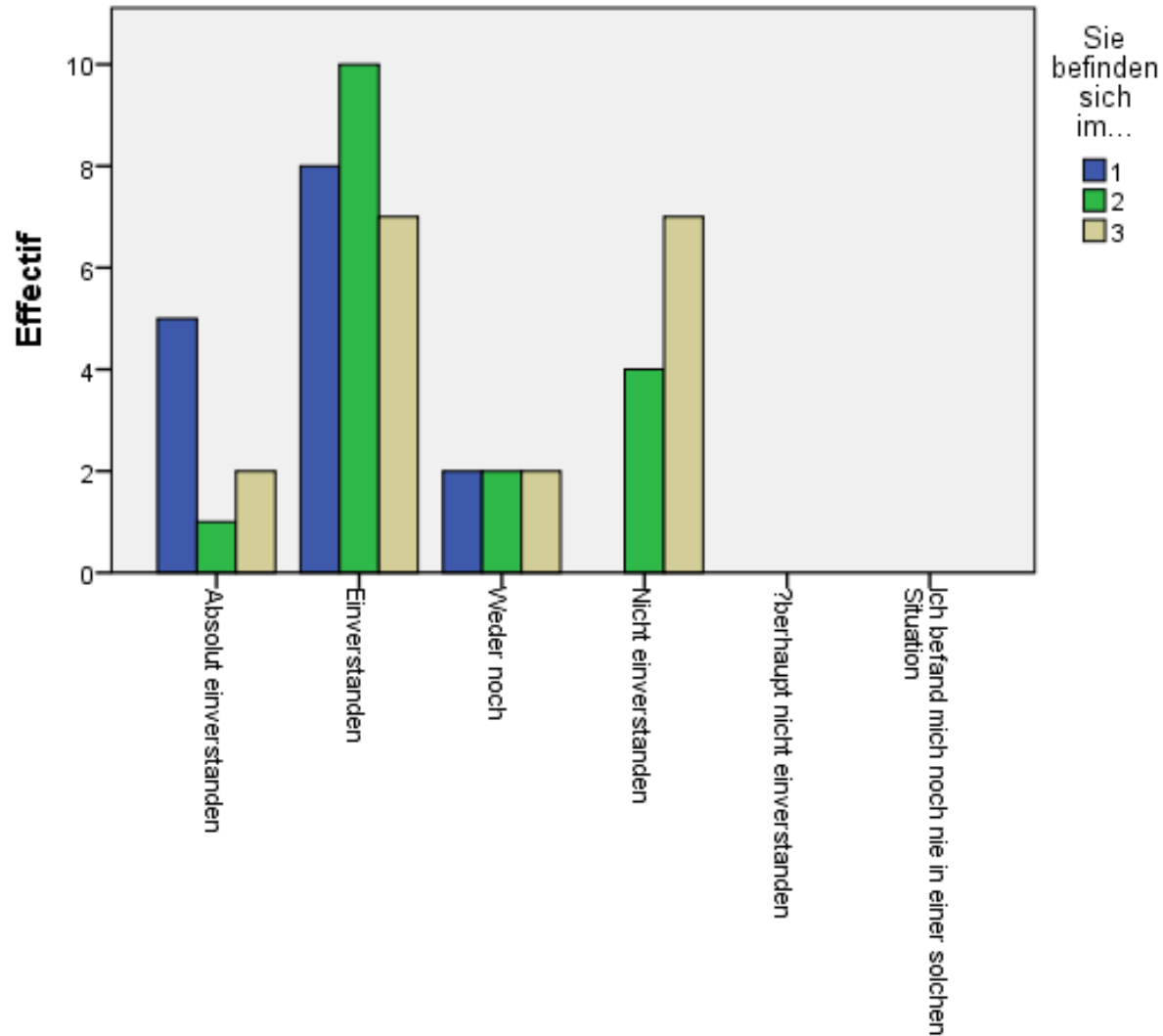


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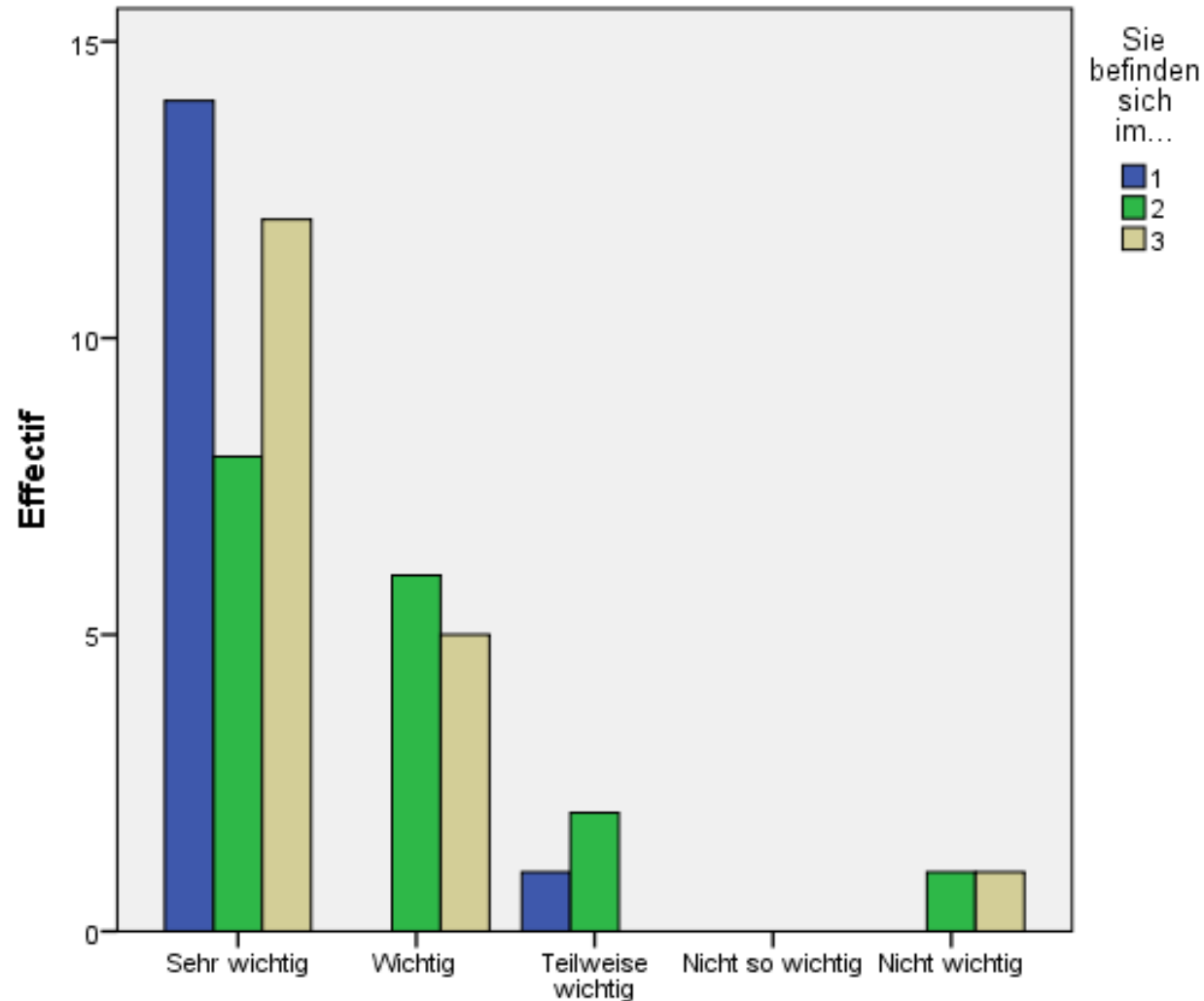
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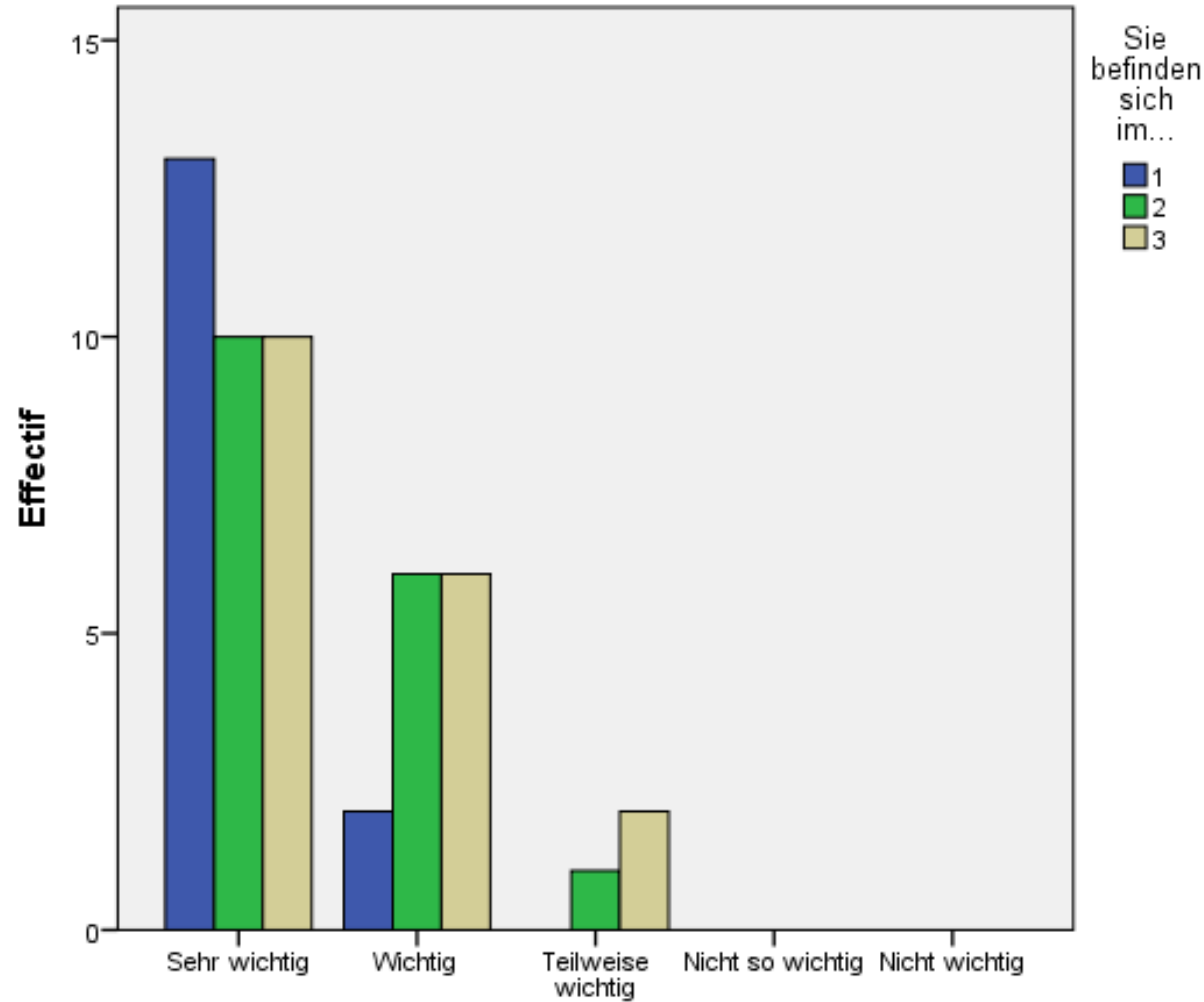
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# Some issues ...

- Self perception of LIS students
- Curriculum
- Small sample
- Further investigation necessary

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