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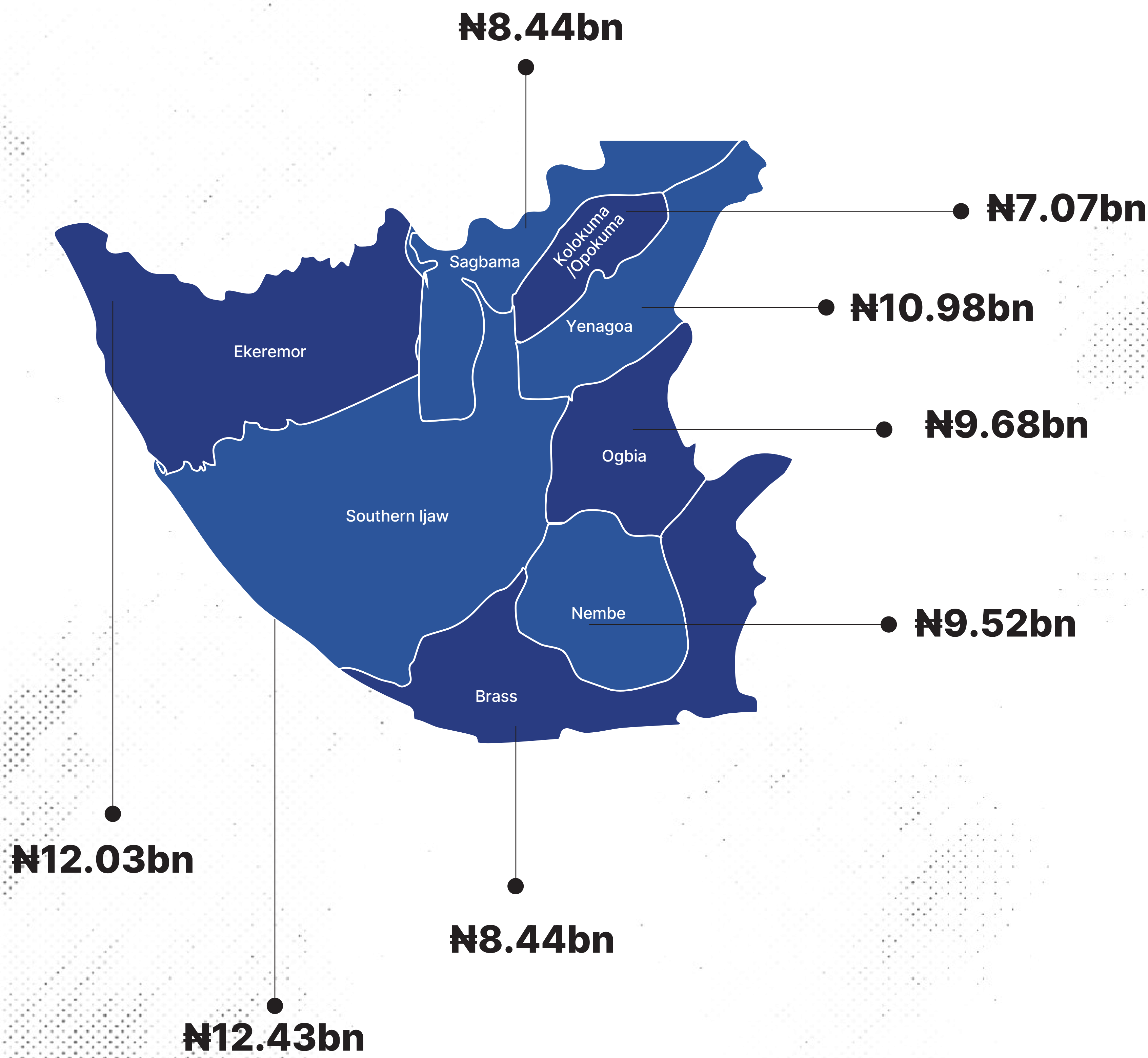
Beyond the Budget

Approved by Eight LGAs For 2026

₦78.60bn

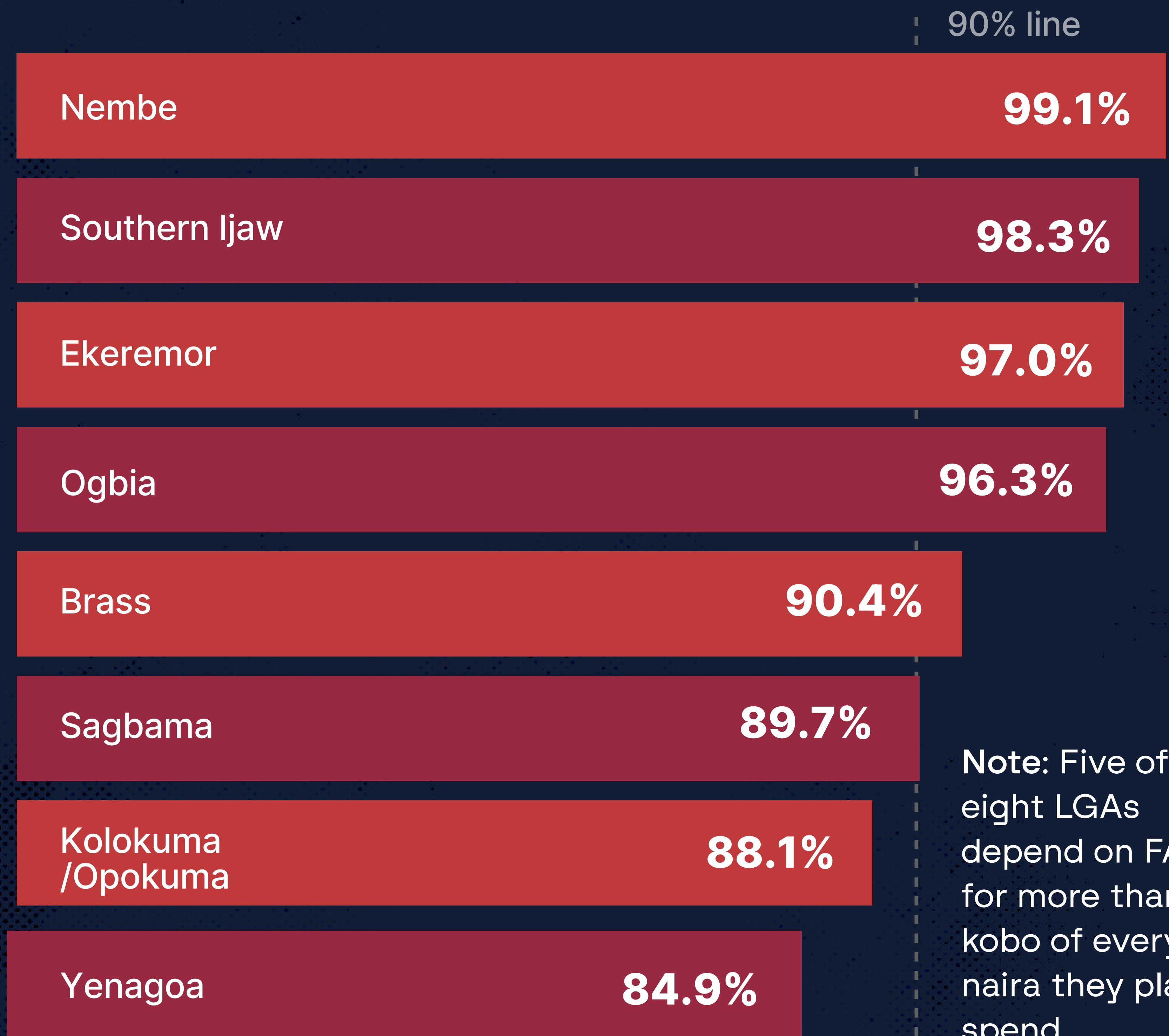
What Bayelsa's 8 Local Governments Plan to Do in 2026 and What Residents need to know

Approved 2026 Budgets By LGA



93% of Revenue arrives from Abuja

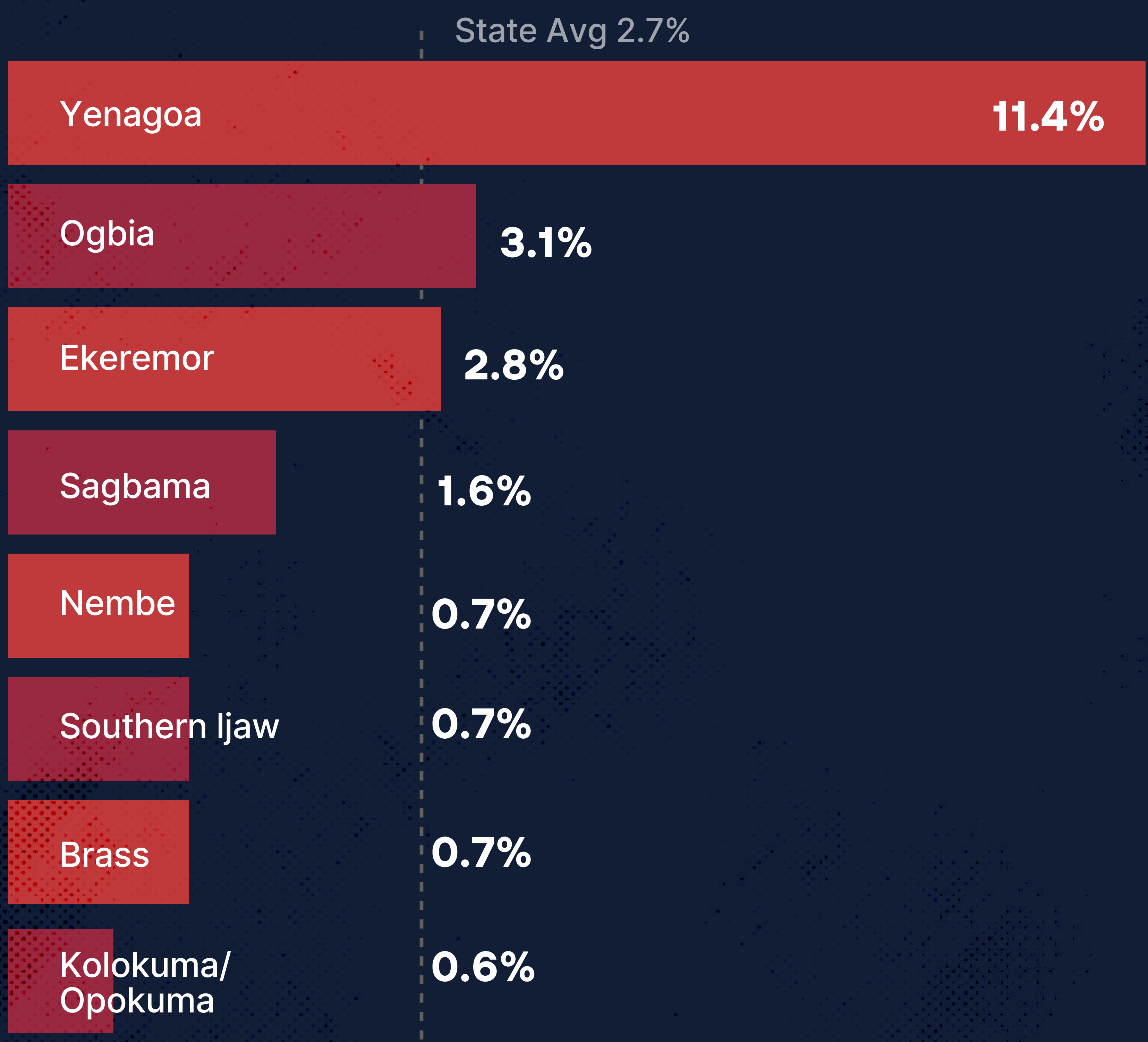
Share of 2026 revenue each LGA expects from federal allocation (FAAC)



Note: Five of the eight LGAs depend on FAAC for more than 90 kobo of every naira they plan to spend.

The Problem

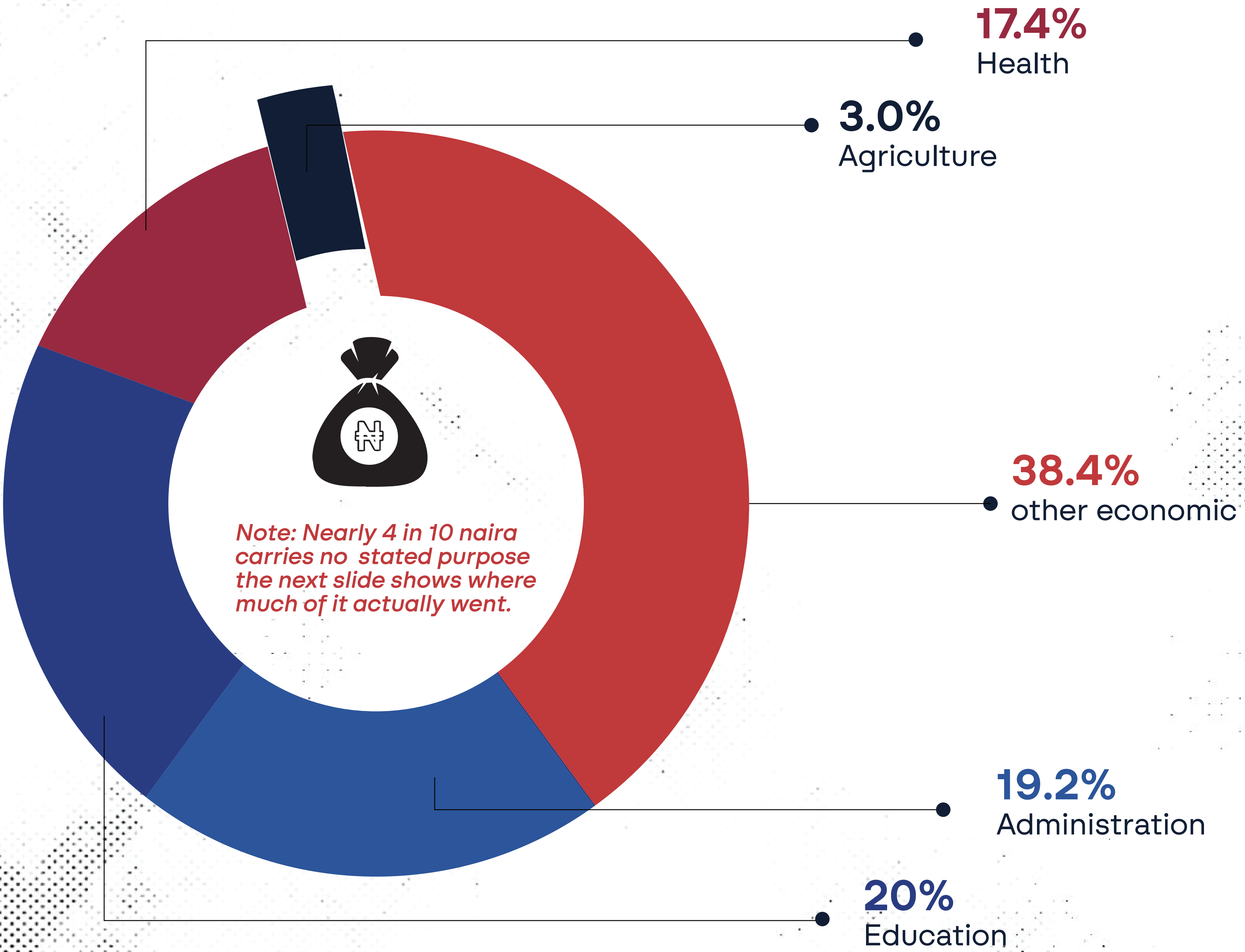
2.7% Internally generated revenue (IGR) as a share of each 2026 budget



Note: Only Yenagoa, the state capital, raises a meaningful share of its own money. Everywhere else, FAAC is the budget.

How most of the Funds where Allocated

Combined 2026 allocations of all eight LGAs, by sector.

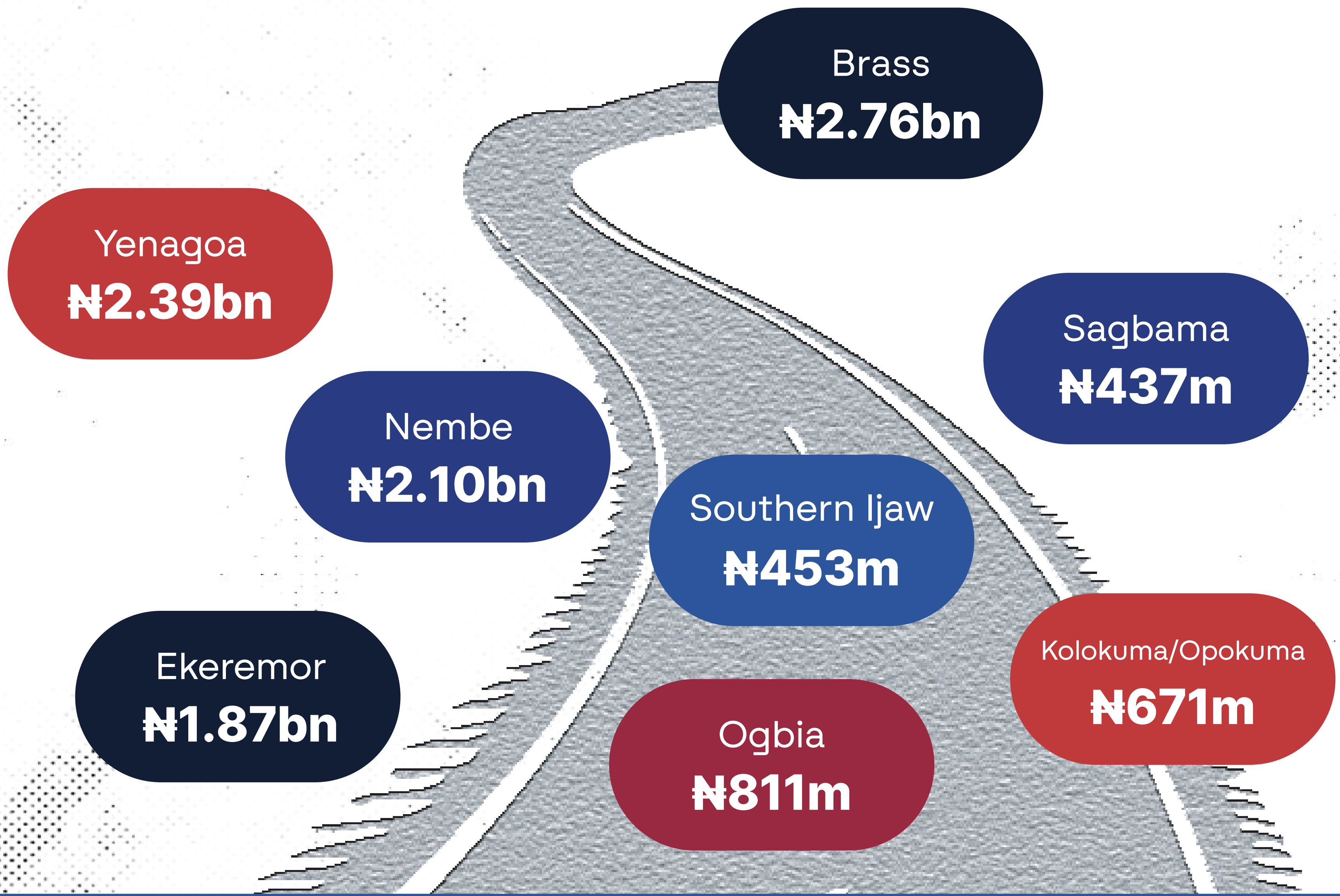


Why this matters?

When a quarter of the budget is hidden under ‘Other, economic,’ it becomes difficult to identify where that money truly went. The next slide reveal where parts of the money truly want

Infrastructure is Funded but Hard to Trace

Line-by-line verification found itemised roads, water and environment projects buried inside 'Other Economic'. Verified totals per LGAs, in Billion and millions of naira

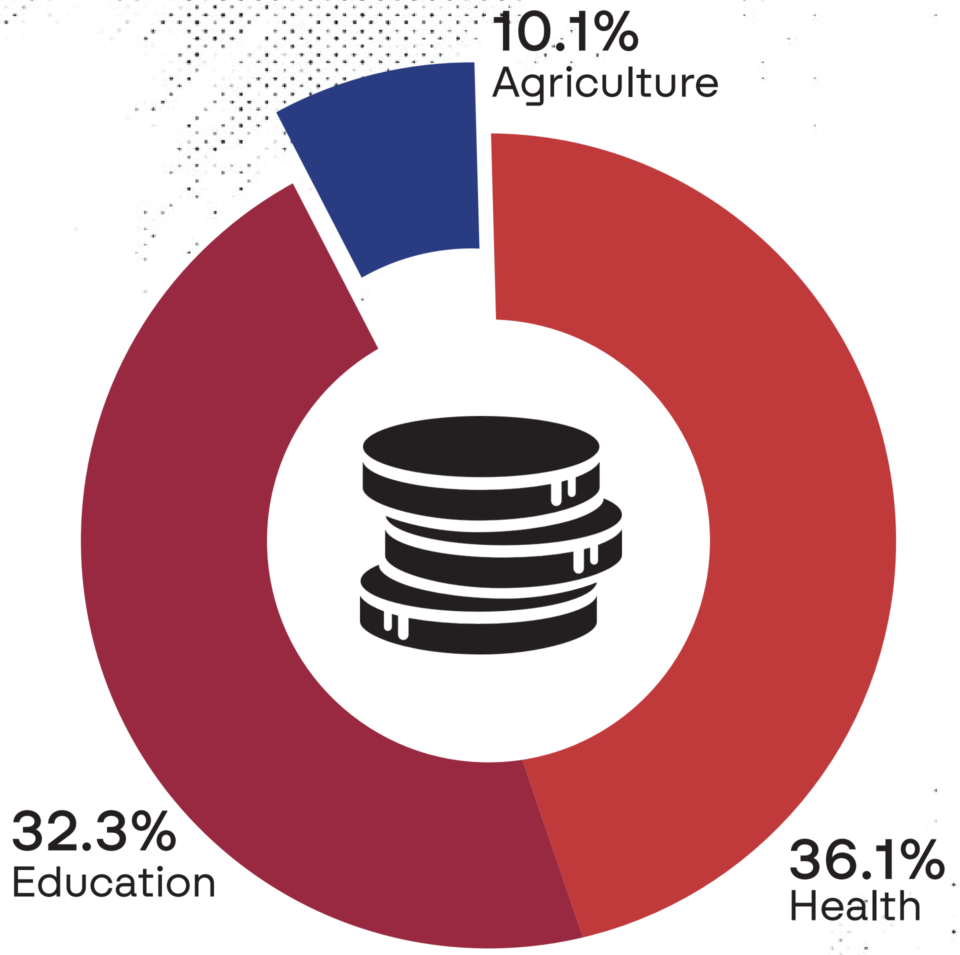


Transparency not fully stated but funds were allocated

All the LGAs together sum up to ₦11.6bn, distributed across infrastructure: ₦8.0bn for roads, ₦3.1bn for water, and ₦0.5bn for the environment which formed just part of other economic

Where Sectors stand out

Statewide sector averages, and the outliers behind them



Education: Sagbama commits the highest share in the state at 32.3% more than double Ekeremor's 14.8% , the lowest.

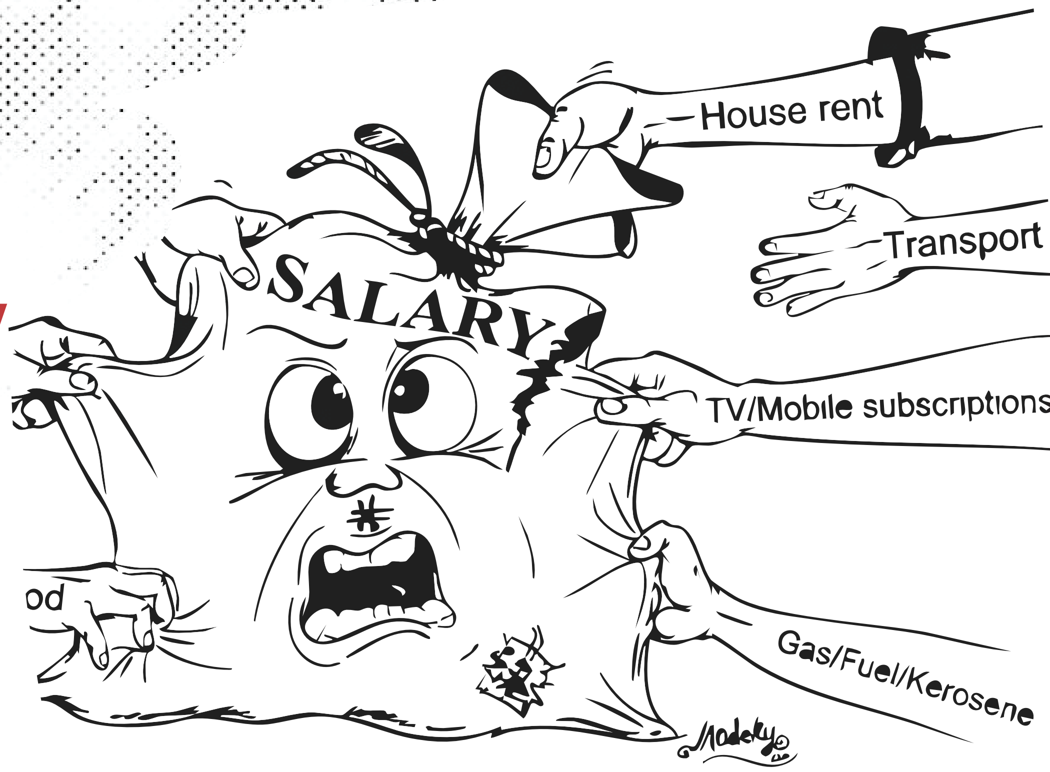
Health: Kolokuma/Opokuma commits 36.1% of its budget to health, the largest sectoral share among the three sectors reviewed across Bayelsa's LGAs.

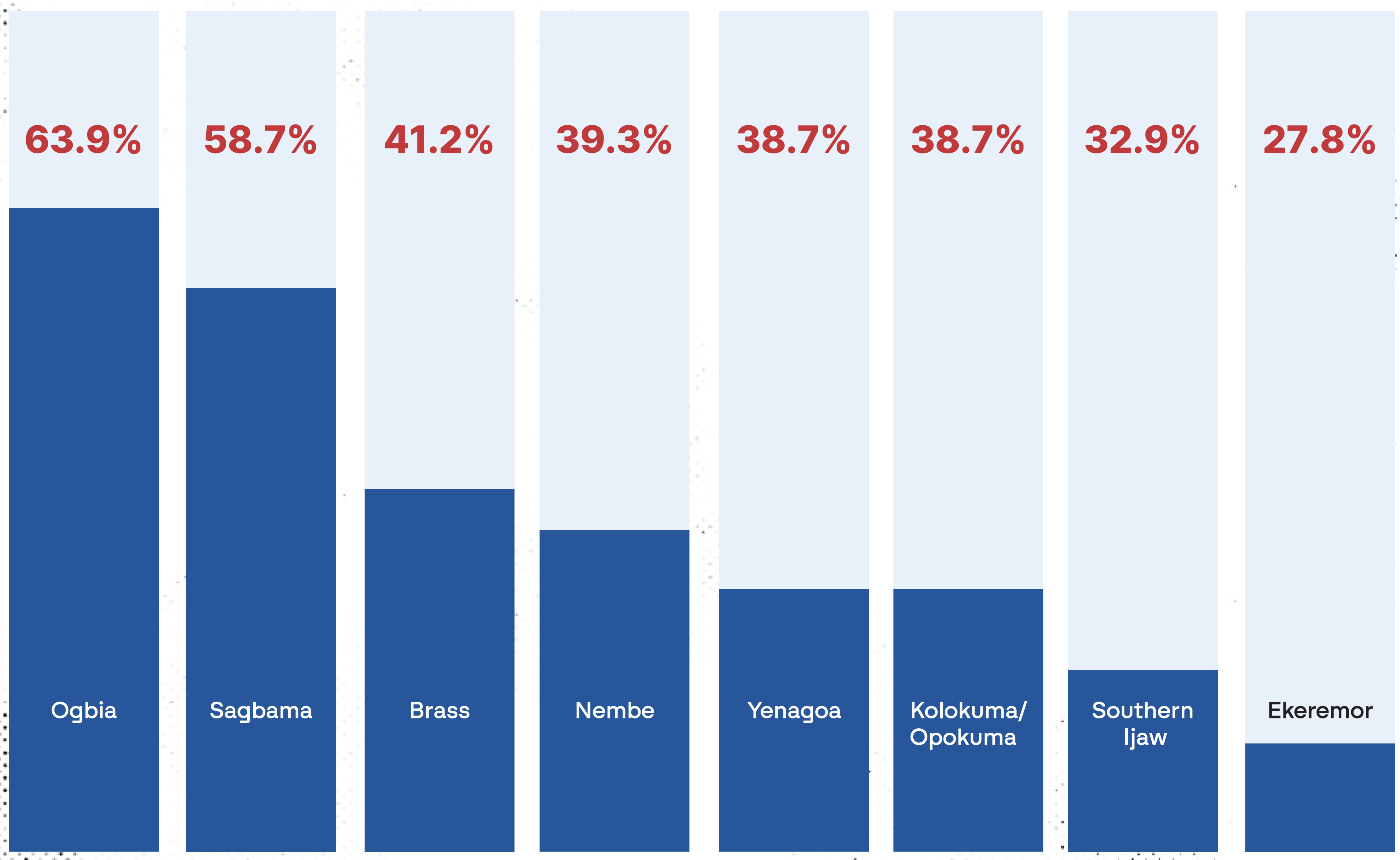
Agriculture: Despite Bayelsa's reliance on farming and fishing, agriculture receives just 3.1% of the combined LGAs budget.

Administration: Five LGAs spend more on running the Administration than on health, Brass, Nembe, Ogbia, Sagbama, and Yenagoa.

The Salary Squeeze

Personnel costs as share of 2026 budget

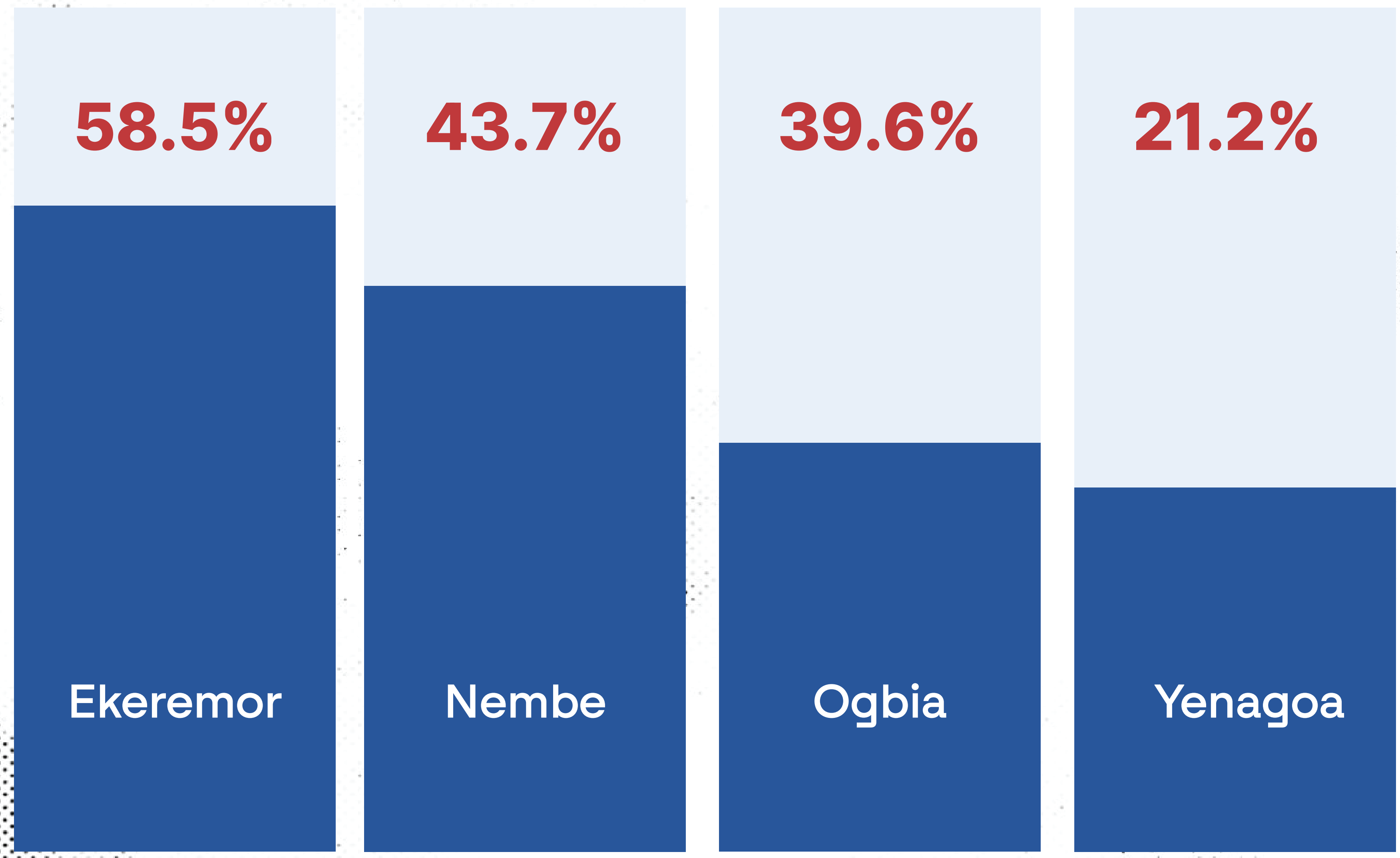




Note: A 50% increase in the personnel cost share indicate a consumption heavy budget.

Budget growth 2025 - 2026

For the four LGAs with verified 2025 figures

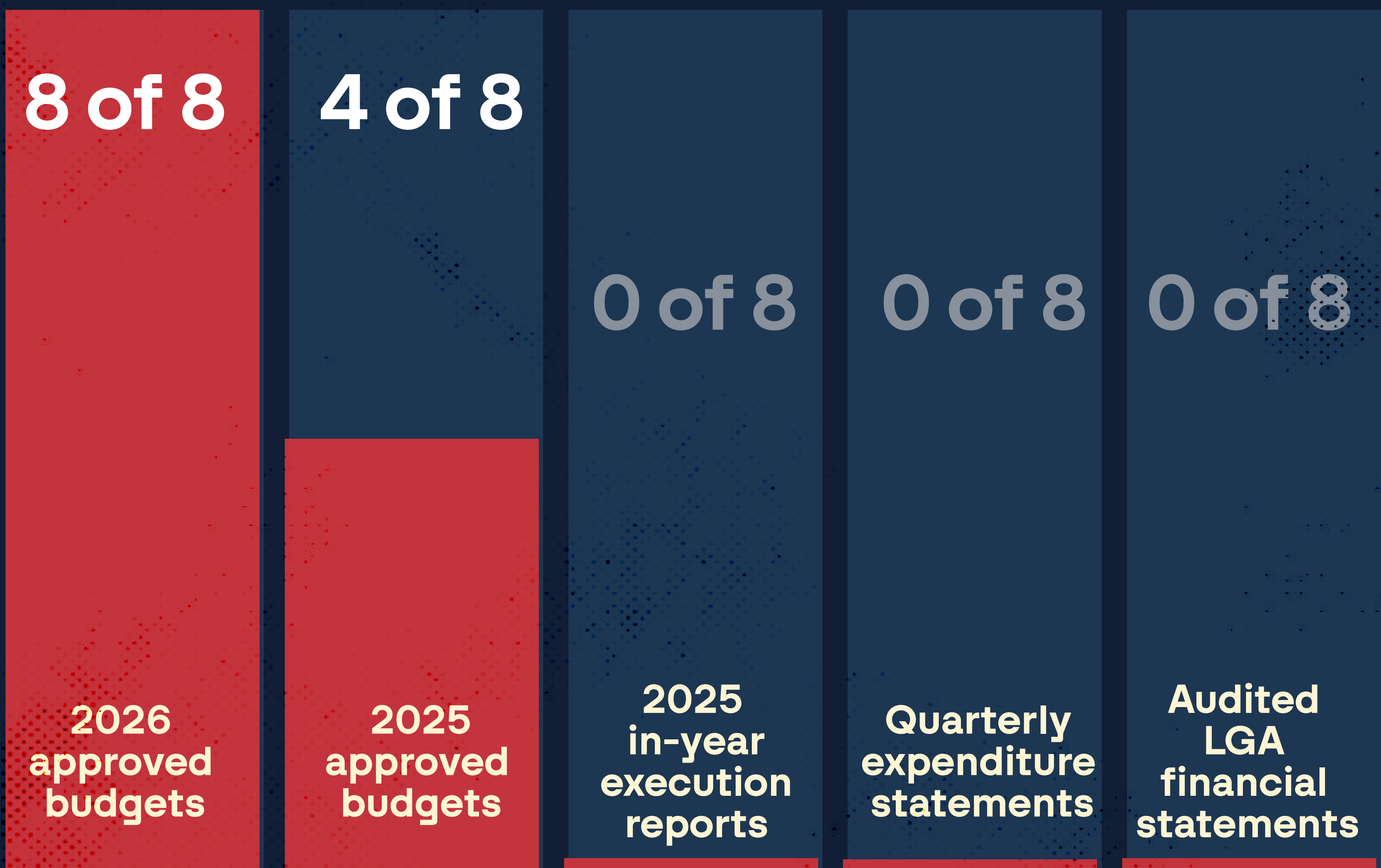


Note:Brass, Kolokuma/Opokuma, Sagbama and Southern jaw's 2025 figures could not be verified and are excluded.

Plans can be Read.

Delivery cannot be checked

Public documents found per LGA, out of all eight, by document type



No LGAs expenditure or execution report for 2024-25 could be found on public portals. Not one

Five Steps would Close the Gap

This is a publication gap, not an accusation.

1. **Clear, Itemized Budgets**
   Break down spending so citizens see exactly where money goes. No more vague "Other Economic"

2. **Publish Quarterly Reports**
   Release reports every 3 months on actual money received and spent.

3. **Boost LGA Revenue**
   Set up revenue units in each LGA with public targets to reduce FAAC dependence and also create new initiative to generate revenue

4. **Audit Payroll especially Ogbia & Sagbama**
   Check for ghost workers and cut excess salary costs to free money for projects.

5. **Publish Annual Audited Accounts**
   Release yearly audited financial statements to prove funds were used correctly.