

METHAMPHETAMINE IN THE FAMILY

A SYSTEMATIC REVIEW ACROSS FAMILY ROLES

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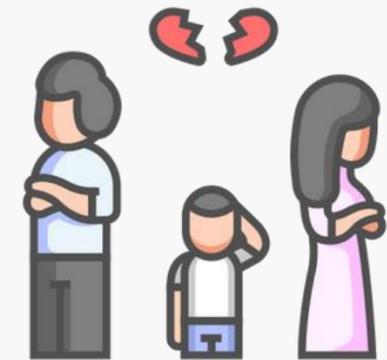
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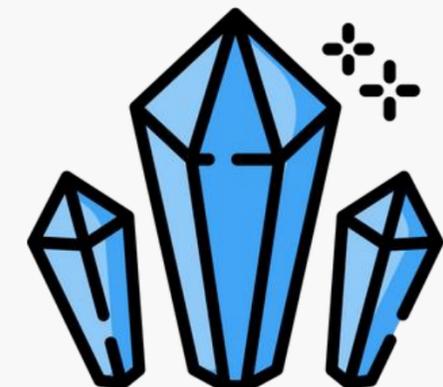
DO FAMILY EXPERIENCES DIFFER BY FAMILY ROLE AND DRUG TYPE?

Family members can experience different changes in family life and well-being depending on their family role



Majority of family research focuses on mothers or does not differentiate the experiences of specific family members

Few studies explore drug-specific family experiences
Methamphetamine can influence interpersonal functioning



AIM & METHODS

Synthesise the literature on the experiences of family members of someone who uses methamphetamine and explore the experiences of specific family members



Inclusion criteria

- Qualitative, quantitative or mixed methods studies
- Family members of someone who uses methamphetamine

Exclusion criteria

- Samples of $N < 40$ (quantitative only)
- Prenatal exposure to methamphetamine
- Studies focusing on prescribed amphetamine use or ADHD

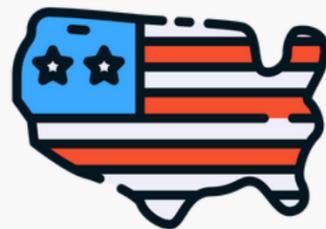
FINDINGS – INCLUDED STUDIES

k=8 United States

k=8 Australia

k=1 South Africa

k=1 Iran



k=7 children*

k=2 parents

k=1 partners

k=8 various/unspecified

18 studies included:

9 Qualitative

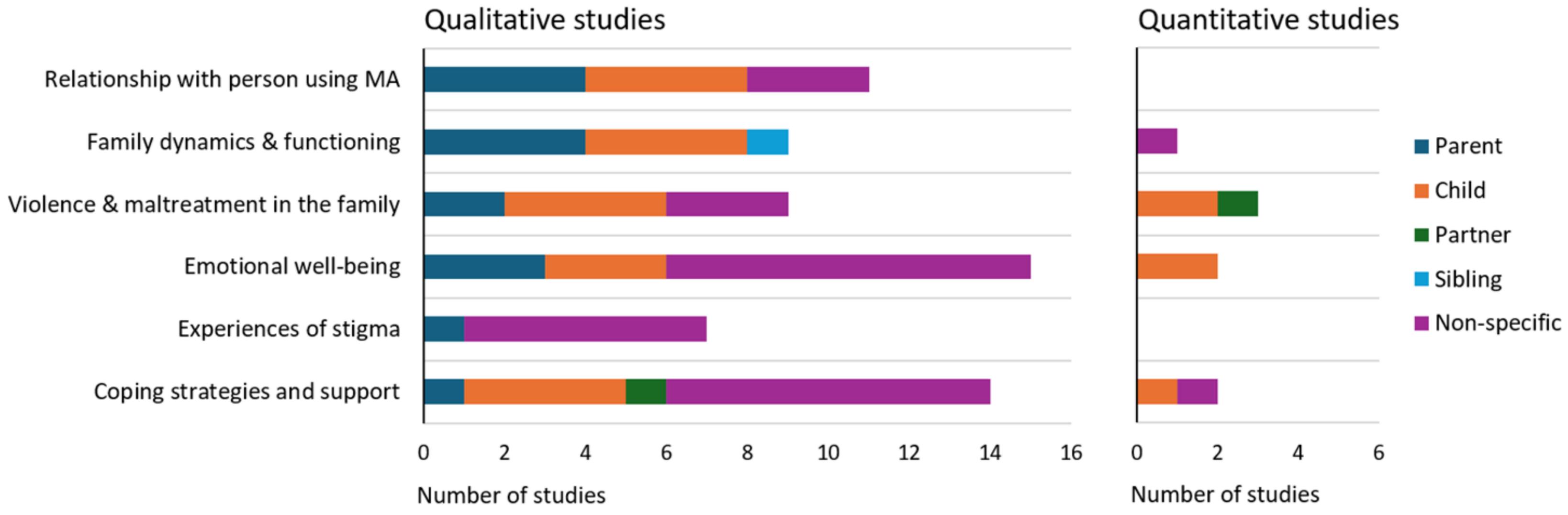
4 Quantitative

5 Mixed methods



*All children were in contact with Child Protective Services

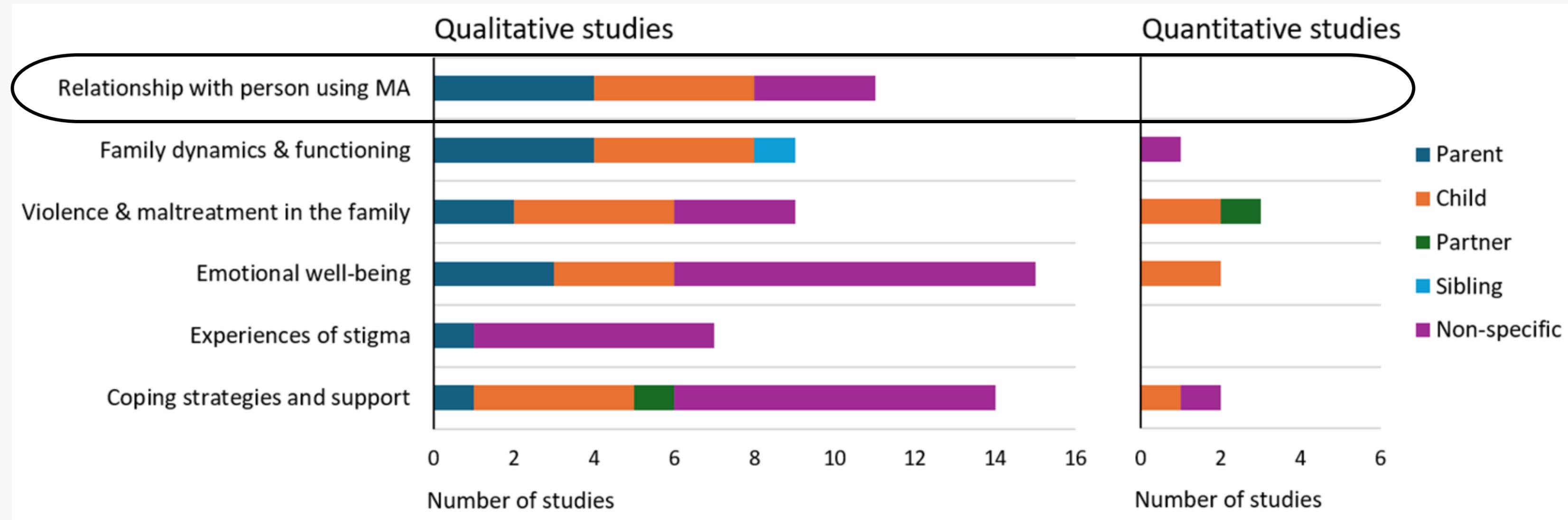
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MA = methamphetamine

Non-specific = unspecified or various family members

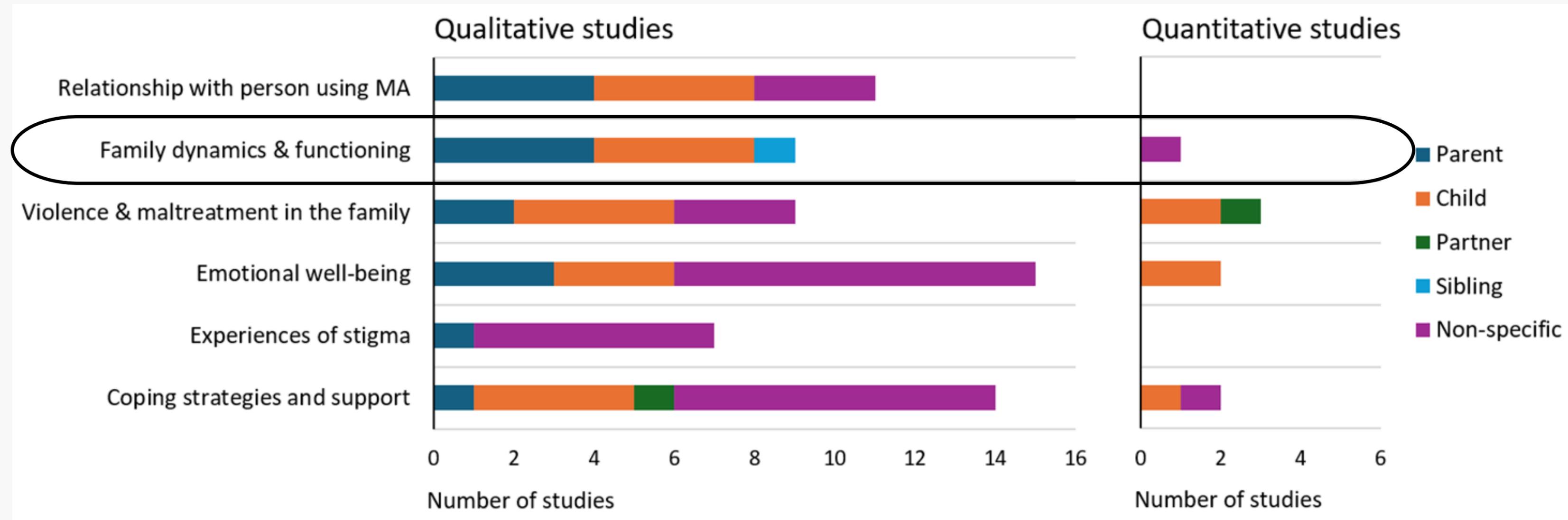
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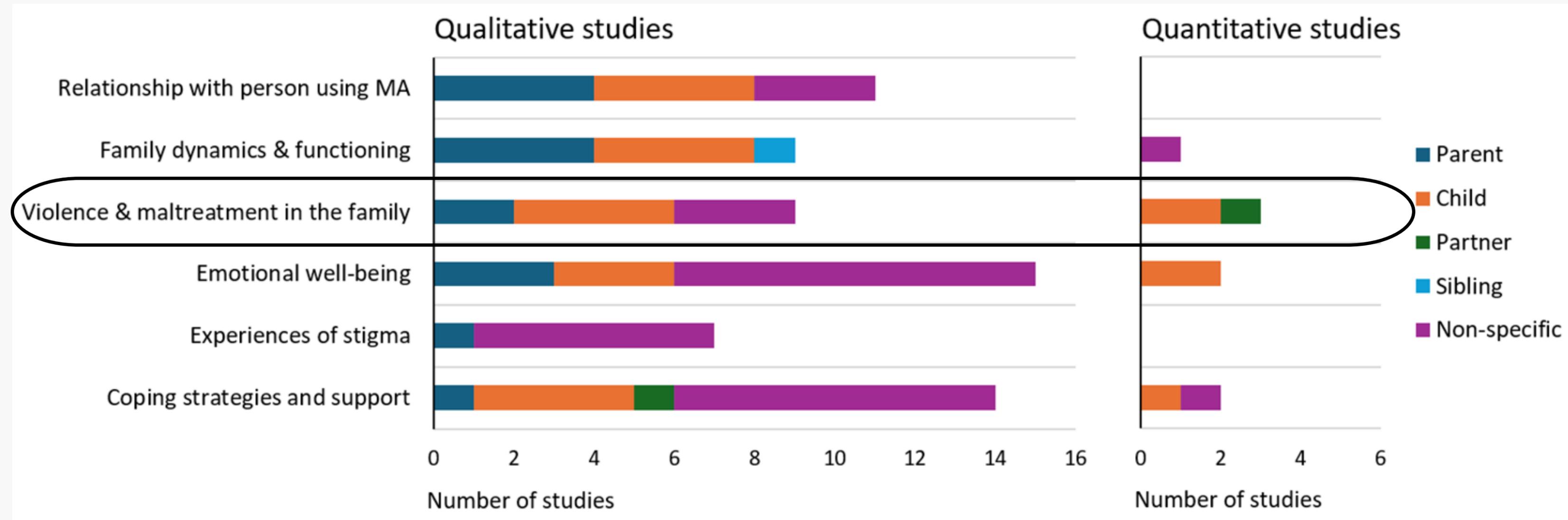
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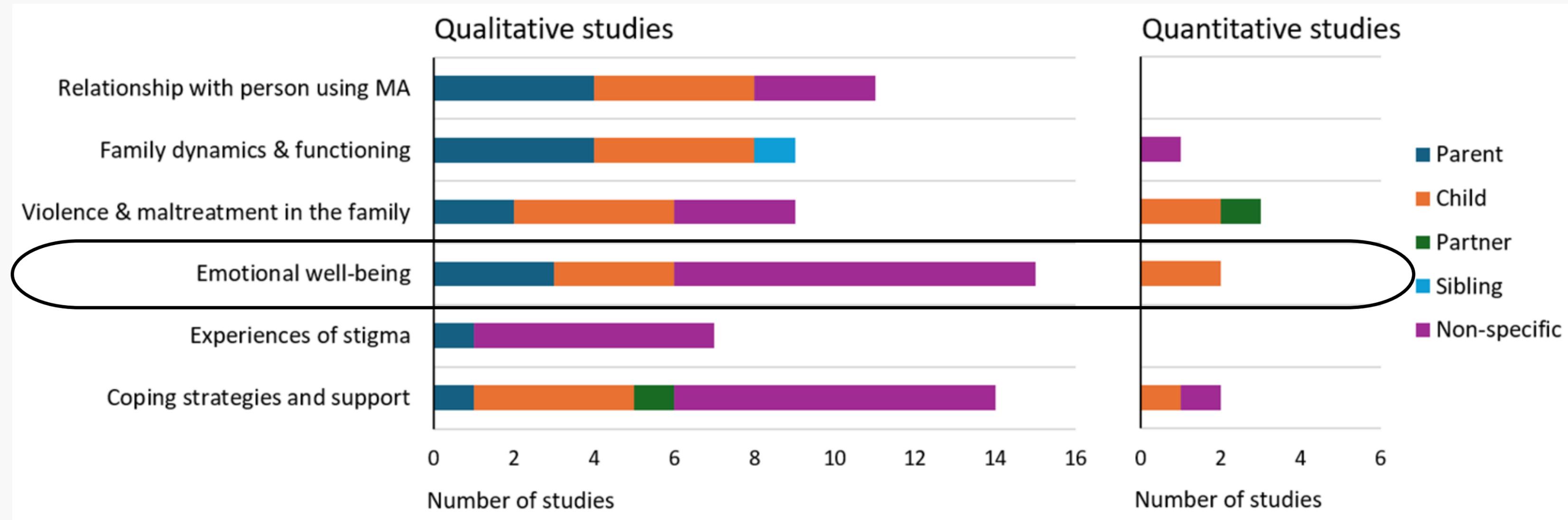
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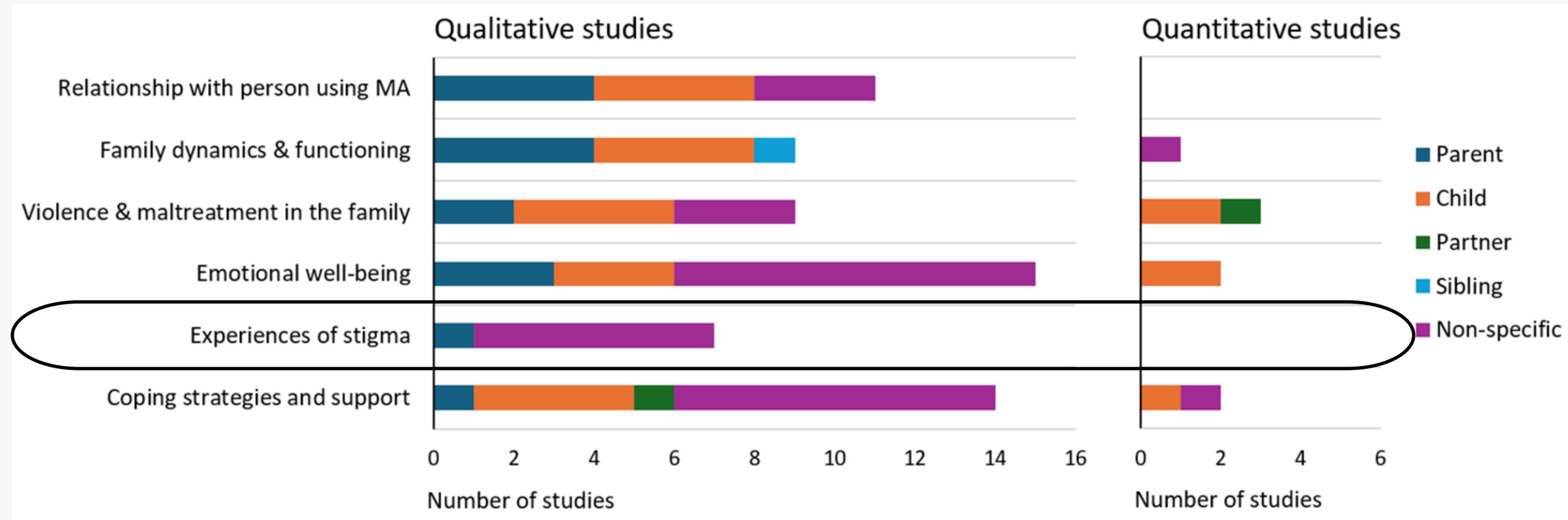
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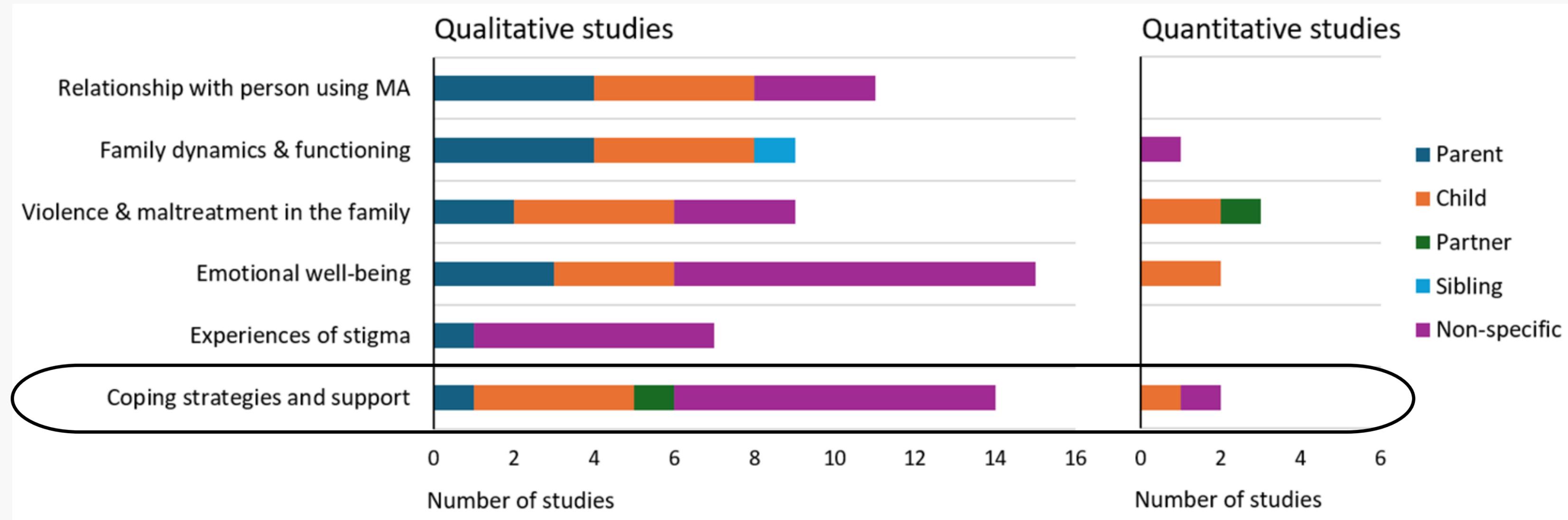
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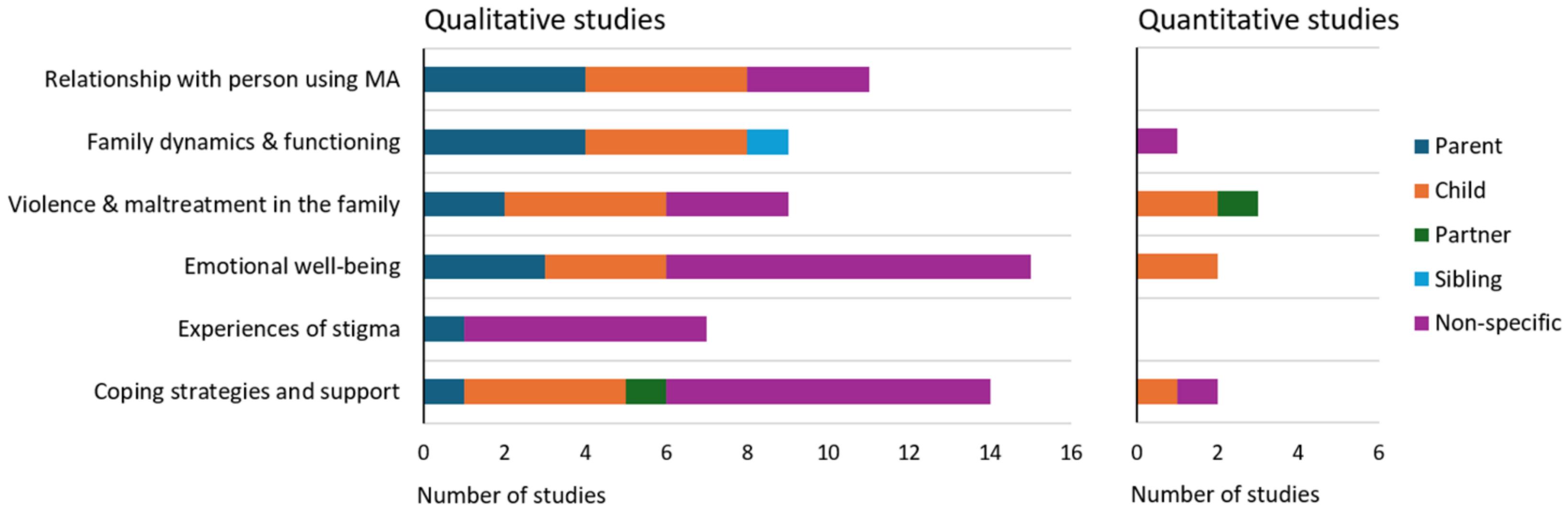
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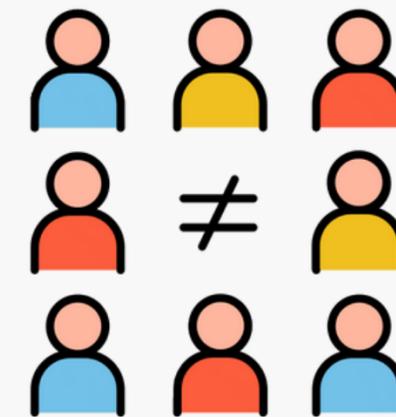
DISCUSSION & CONCLUSIONS

Experience of family members varies by family role - need more research into a greater diversity of family roles



Greater understanding of perspectives of different family members of someone using methamphetamine can inform tailored support and interventions

Most were accessing services and perceived the methamphetamine use as a 'problem' - will not generalise to other families



✦ **THANK YOU** ✦

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