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City of Dripping Springs, TX

**Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan
Community Survey**

Findings Report



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Executive Summary

2025 Dripping Springs Community Survey Executive Summary

Overview

ETC Institute administered a parks and recreation needs assessment survey for the City of Dripping Springs during the months of winter 2025. This survey will be used to gather input to help determine parks and recreation priorities for the community.

Methodology

ETC Institute mailed a survey packet to a random sample of households in Dripping Springs. Each survey packet contained a cover letter, a copy of the survey, and a postage-paid return envelope. Residents who received the survey were given the option of returning the survey by mail or completing it online at *DrippingSpringsSurvey.org*.

After the surveys were mailed, ETC Institute followed up with residents to encourage participation. To prevent people who were not residents of Dripping Springs from participating, everyone who completed the survey online was required to enter their home address prior to submitting the survey. ETC Institute then matched the addresses that were entered online with the addresses that were originally selected for the random sample. If the address from a survey completed online did not match one of the addresses selected for the sample, the online survey was not included in the final database for this report.

The goal was to collect a minimum of 200 surveys from residents. The goal was met with 222 surveys collected. The overall results for the sample of 222 surveys has a precision of at least +/-6.3 at the 95% level of confidence.

This report contains the following:

- Charts showing the overall results of the survey (Section 2)
- Priority Investment Rating (PIR) that identifies priorities for facilities and programs (Section 3)
- Benchmarks comparing data from Dripping Springs to national averages (Section 4)
- Importance-Satisfaction analysis that sets priorities for City services (Section 5)
- Tabular data showing the overall results for all questions on the survey (Section 6)
- Answers to open-ended questions (Section 7)
- A copy of the cover letter and survey instrument (Section 8)

The major findings of the survey are summarized in the following pages.

Major Findings

Parks Experience. Ninety-four percent of respondents report visiting City of Dripping Springs parks in the last year. The parks visited most often were Dripping Springs Ranch Park (85%), Founders Memorial Park (81%), and Sports and Recreation Park (51%). Of those who have visited parks, the highest percentage (43%) report visiting weekly followed by monthly (32%). The most common reasons respondents visit parks is for exercise or physical activity (70%), socializing or children's play (54%), or community events (52%). Most respondents (74%) rated the overall quality of parks as either "good" (57%) or "excellent" (17%).

Barriers to Parks. The most common reasons respondents do not visit Dripping Springs parks or do not visit more often are lack of amenities they want to use (40%), using other city/state/private facilities (27%), and old and outdates facilities (21%).

Program Participation. Just over two-thirds of households (67%) report participating in or attending a recreation program/activity, special event, or performance offered by the City of Dripping Springs in the last year. Of those participants, over half (54%) report participating in 2-3 programs. The most common reasons for participating were location of program facility (58%), friends participating in the program (37%), and dates the program was offered (31%). Most respondents (89%) rated the overall quality of the program as either "good" (70%) or "excellent" (19%).

Barriers to Participation. The most common reasons respondents did not participate in Dripping Springs programs/events was because they did not know what was offered (43%) followed by program they desired not being offered (18%) and too busy/lack of interest (18%).

Satisfaction with Parks and Recreation. Respondents were provided with a list of 18 aspects of parks and recreation and asked to rate their level of satisfaction with each. Respondents were most satisfied (rating "satisfied" or "very satisfied") with the overall feeling of safety in parks and on trails (76%), the quality of skate park (75%), and ease of registering for programs (64%). Respondents were then asked to select the three items most important to their household. The items selected most often were maintenance of City parks (39%), maintenance of City trails (33%), and overall quality of natural area restoration and upkeep (27%).

Communication Methods. Respondents most often learn about recreation facilities, programs, and services offered by the City of Dripping Springs via social media (55%), friends and neighbors (48%), or email blasts/newsletters (24%). Respondents most prefer social media (51%) and email blasts/newsletters (42%) to receive information.

Satisfaction with Overall Value. Over half of respondents (55%) rate their overall level of satisfaction with value they receive from the City of Dripping Springs parks and recreation department as either "somewhat satisfied" (44%) or "very satisfied" (11%).

Support for Improvements. The three improvements to parks and recreation respondents most support (rating "somewhat supportive" or "very supportive") are maintaining existing amenities in existing parks (88%), acquiring more land for preservation and conservation of natural areas (84%), and updating existing parks with new amenities (85%). The two improvements most important to households were acquiring more land for preservation and conservation of natural areas (49%) and building new parks or facilities throughout town (37%).

Importance of Parks and Recreation. Most respondents (83%) feel it is "very important" for the City of Dripping Springs to provide high quality parks, recreation facilities, and programs. The three benefits of parks, facilities, programs, and events respondents most often agree with (rating "agree" or "strongly agree") were that it preserves open space and protects the environment (87%), improves household's physical health and fitness (88%), and makes Dripping Springs a more desirable place to live (87%).

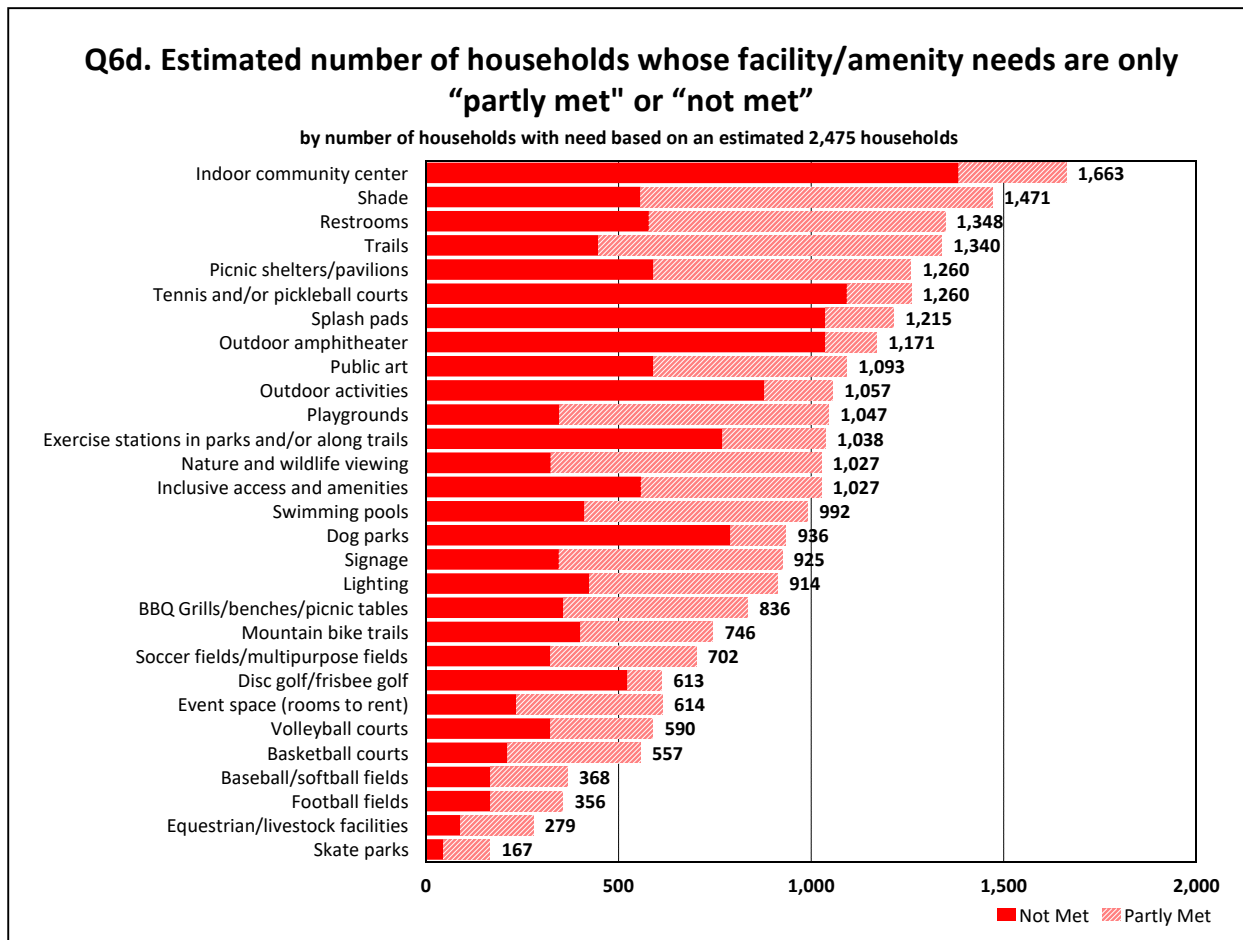
Recreation Facilities/Amenities Needs and Priorities

Amenity/Facility Needs: Respondents were asked to identify if their household had a need for 29 facilities/amenities and to rate how well their needs for each were currently being met. Based on this analysis, ETC Institute was able to estimate the number of households in the community that had the greatest “unmet” need for various facilities/amenities.

The three amenities/facilities with the highest percentage of households that have an unmet need:

1. Indoor community center – 1,663 households
2. Shade structures – 1,471 households
3. Restrooms – 1,348 households

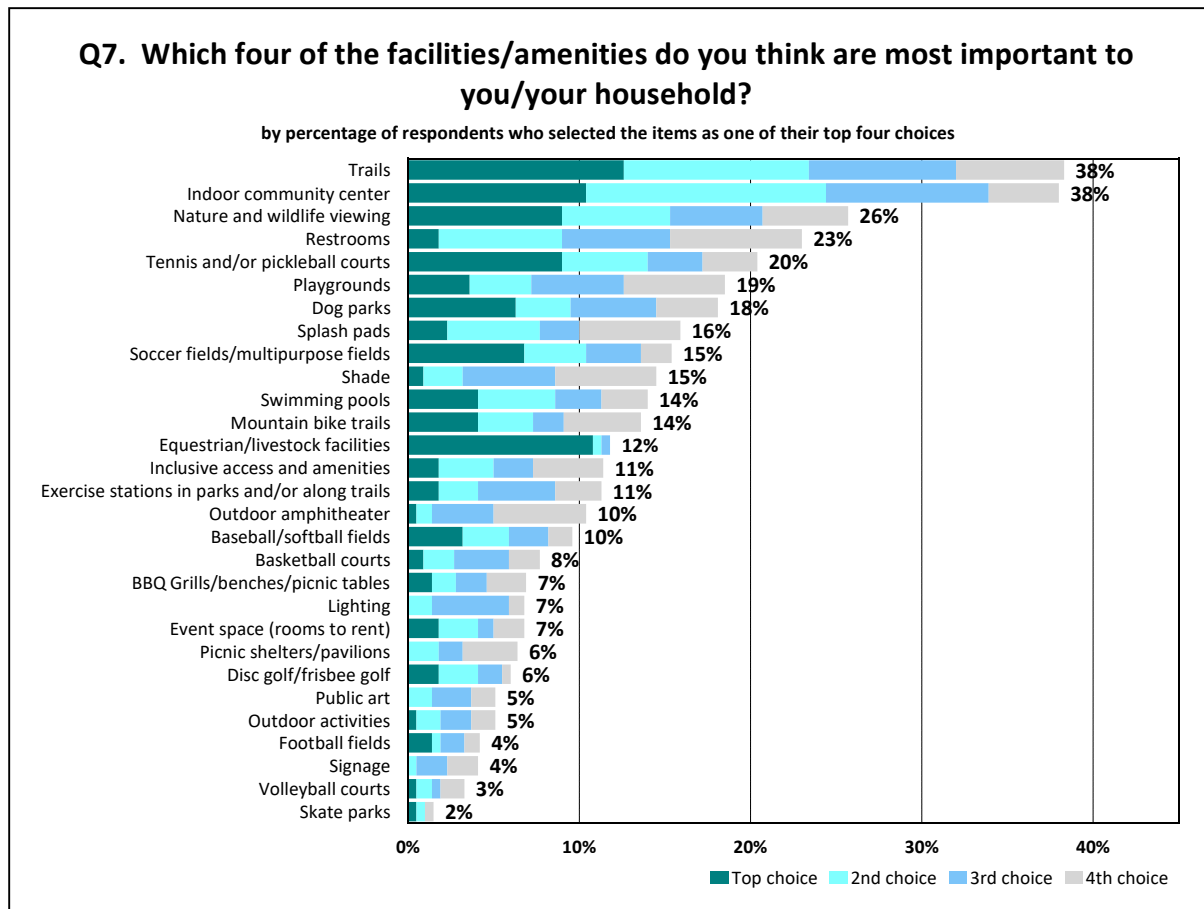
The estimated number of households that have unmet needs for each of the 29 facilities/amenities assessed is shown in the chart below.



Amenities/Facilities Importance: In addition to assessing the needs for each amenity/facility, ETC Institute also assessed the importance that residents placed on each item. Based on the sum of respondents’ top four choices, these were the four amenities/facilities ranked most important to residents:

1. Trails (38%) and Indoor community center (38%)
2. Nature and wildlife viewing (26%)
3. Restrooms (23%)
4. Tennis/pickleball courts (20%)

The percentage of residents who selected each amenity/facility as one of their top four choices is shown in the chart below.

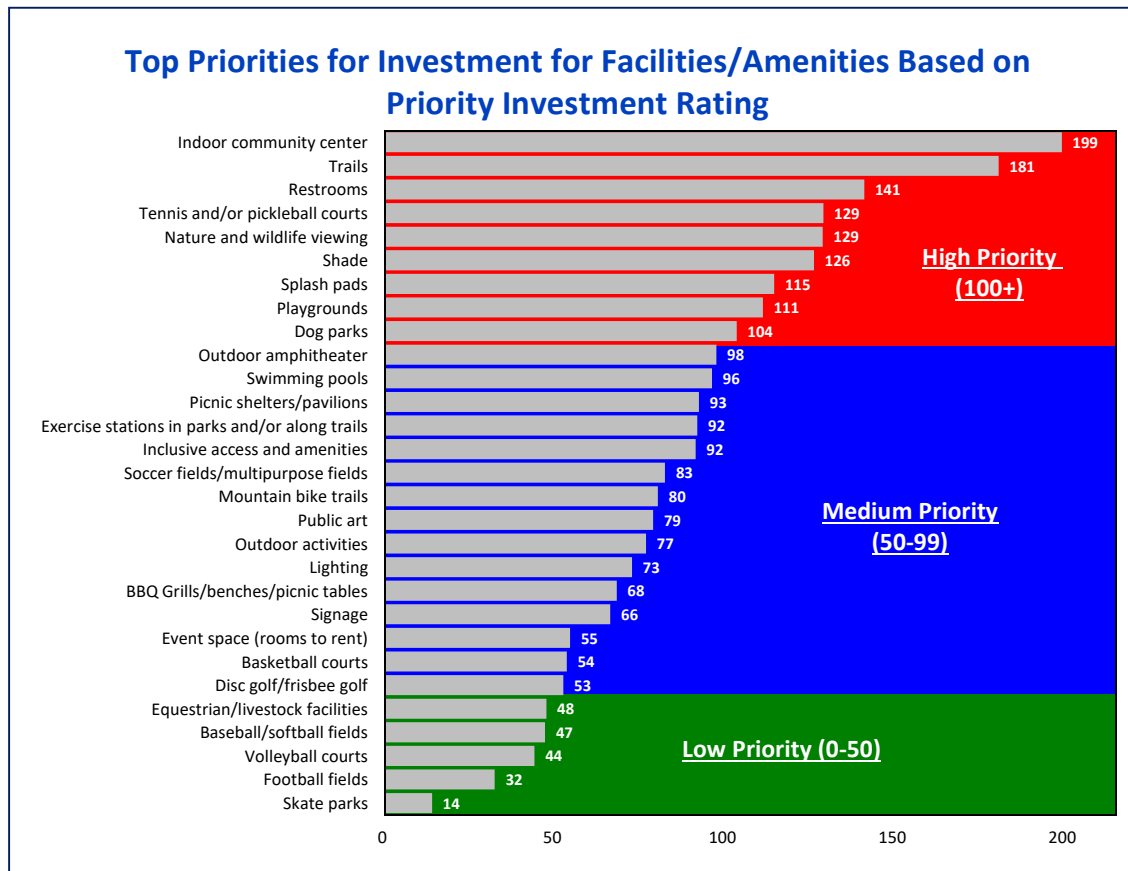


Priorities for Facility Investments: The **Priority Investment Rating (PIR)** was developed by ETC Institute to provide organizations with an objective tool for evaluating the priority that should be placed on recreation and parks investments. The Priority Investment Rating (PIR) equally weighs (1) the importance that residents place on amenities/facilities and (2) how many residents have unmet needs for the amenity/facility. [Details regarding the methodology for this analysis are provided in Section 3 of this report.]

Based the Priority Investment Rating (PIR), the following amenities/facilities were rated as high priorities for investment:

- Indoor community center (PIR=199.2)
- Trails (PIR=180.6)
- Restrooms (PIR=141.1)
- Tennis and/or pickleball courts (PIR=129.1)
- Nature and wildlife viewing (PIR=128.9)
- Shade (PIR=126.3)
- Splash pads (PIR=114.6)
- Playgrounds (PIR=111.3)
- Dog parks (PIR=103.6)

The chart below shows the Priority Investment Rating for each of the 29 amenities/facilities assessed on the survey.



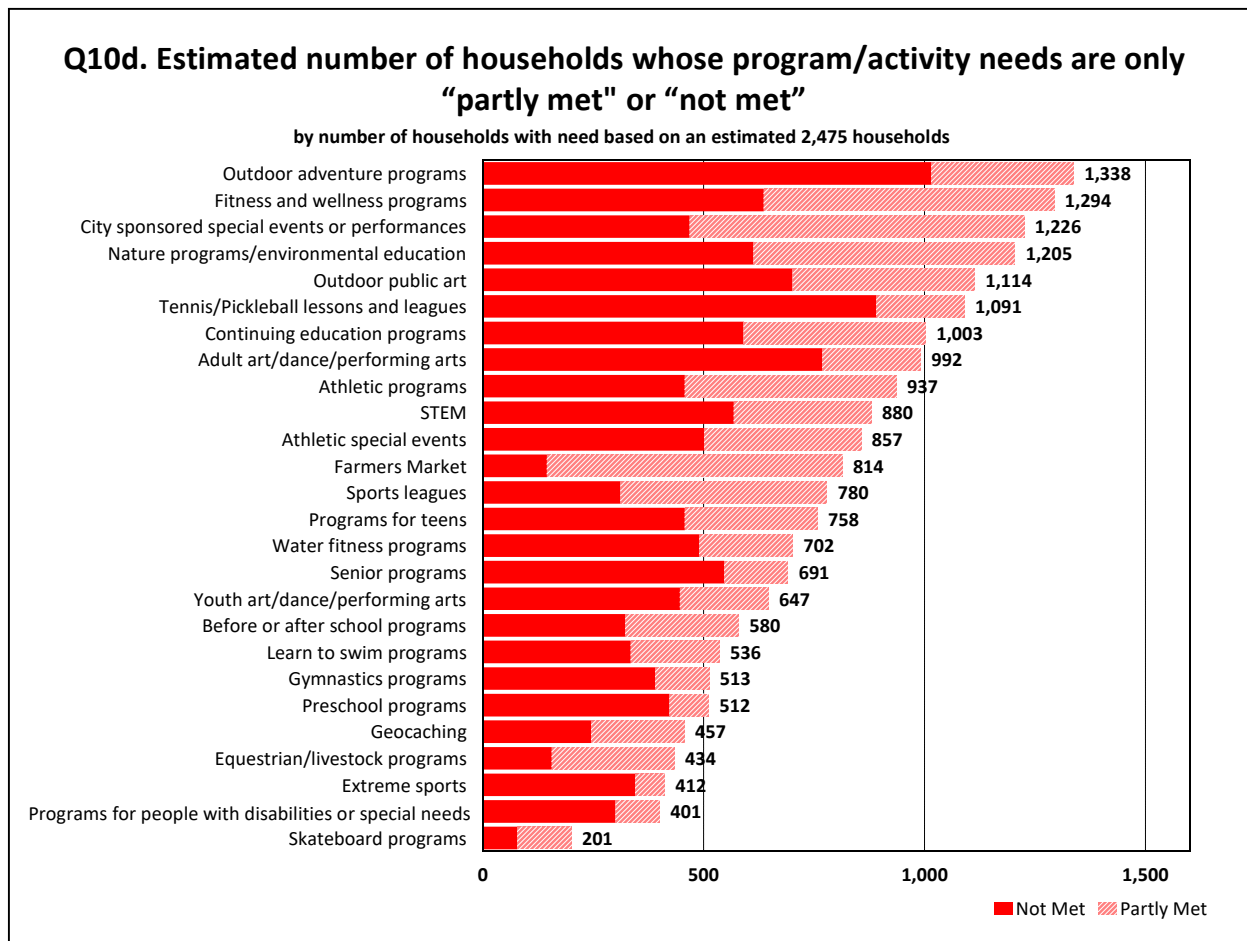
Recreation Program/Activity Needs and Priorities

Program Needs: Respondents were asked to identify if their household had a need for 26 recreation programs and to rate how well their needs for each were currently being met. Based on this analysis, ETC Institute was able to estimate the number of households in the community that had the greatest “unmet” need for various programs.

The three programs with the highest number of households that have an unmet need:

1. Outdoor adventure programs – 1,338 households
2. Fitness and wellness programs – 1,294 households
3. City-sponsored special events or performances – 1,226 households

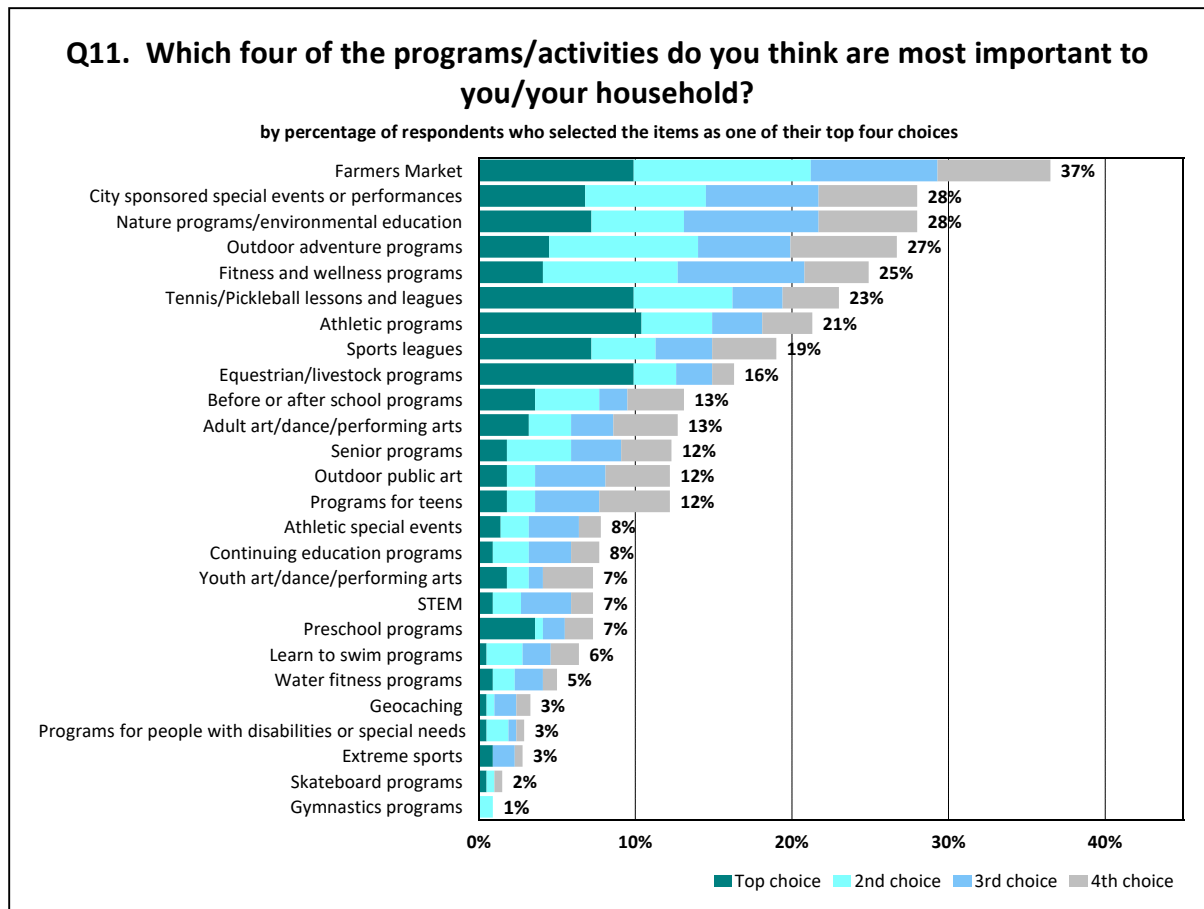
The estimated number of households that have unmet needs for each of the 26 programs assessed is shown in the chart below.



Programs Importance: In addition to assessing the needs for each program, ETC Institute also assessed the importance that residents placed on each item. Based on the sum of respondents' top four choices, these were the four programs ranked most important to residents:

1. Farmers market (37%)
2. City-sponsored special events or performances (28%) and Nature programs/environmental education (28%)
3. Outdoor adventure programs (27%)
4. Fitness and wellness programs (25%)

The percentage of residents who selected each program as one of their top four choices is shown in the chart below.

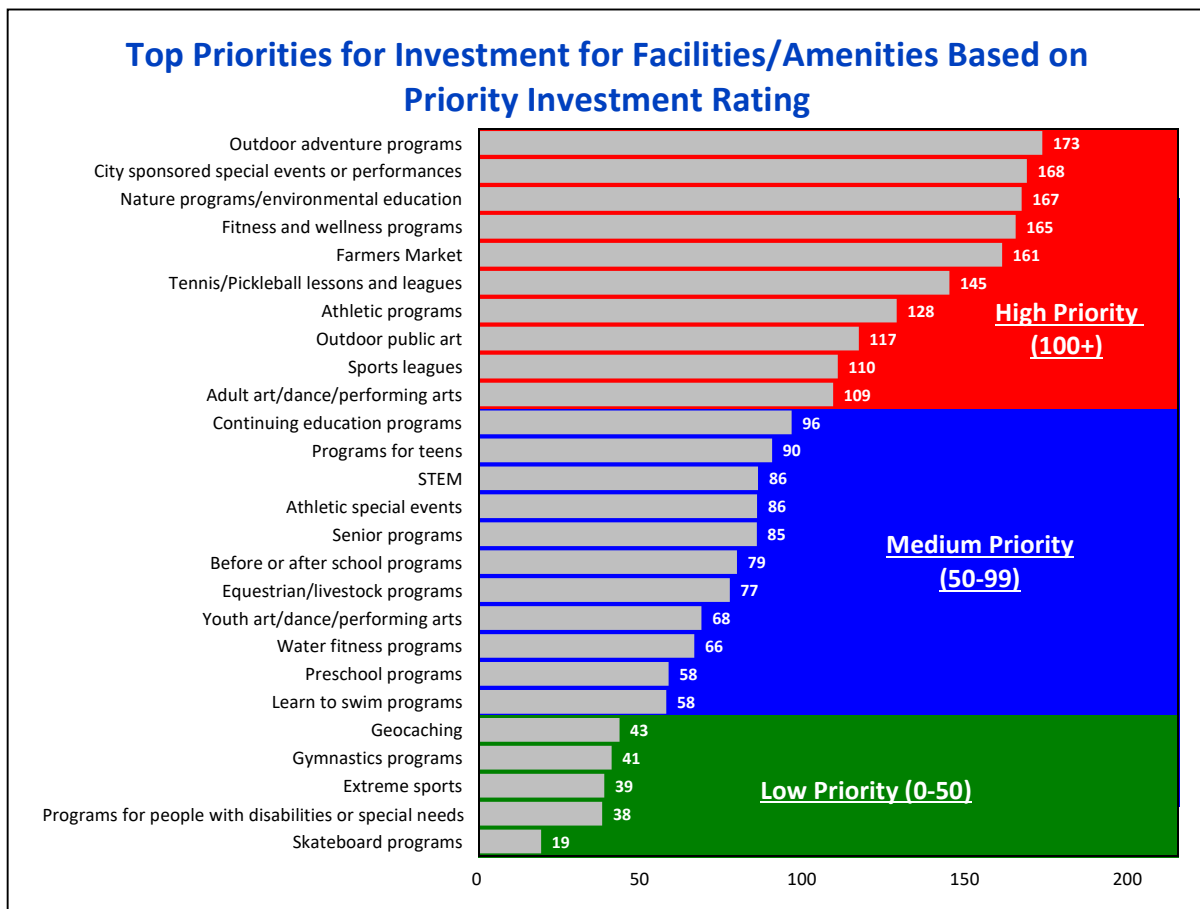


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Based the Priority Investment Rating (PIR), the following activities/programs were rated as high priorities for investment:

- Outdoor adventure programs (PIR=173.2)
- City sponsored special events or performances (PIR=168.4)
- Nature programs/environmental education (PIR=166.8)
- Fitness and wellness programs (PIR=165)
- Farmers Market (PIR=160.8)
- Tennis/Pickleball lessons and leagues (PIR=144.6)
- Athletic programs (PIR=128.4)
- Outdoor public art (PIR=116.8)
- Sports leagues (PIR=110.3)
- Adult art/dance/performing arts (PIR=108.9)

The chart below shows the Priority Investment Rating for each of the 26 programs assessed on the survey.



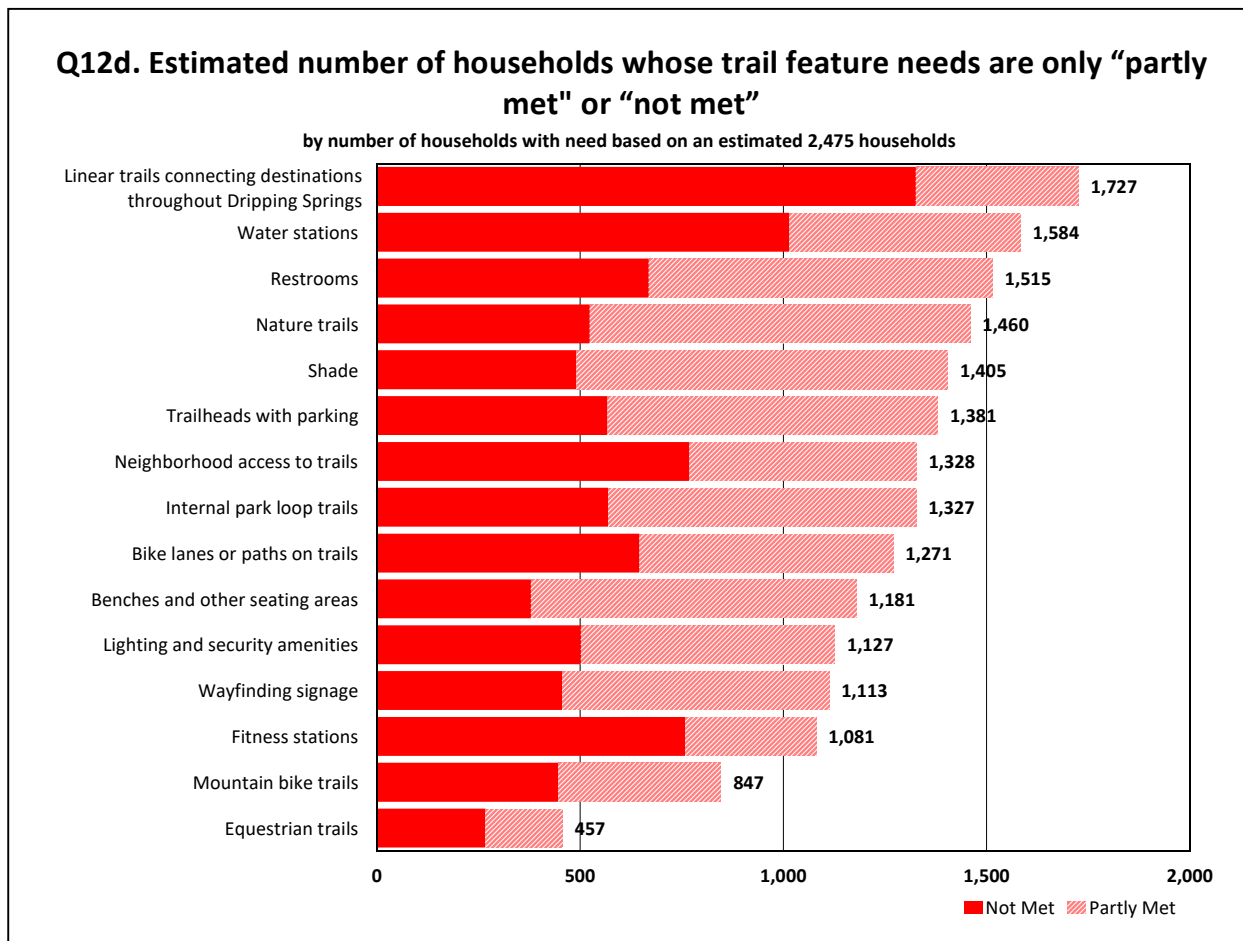
Trail Needs and Priorities

Trail Needs: Respondents were asked to identify if their household had a need for 15 trail features and to rate how well their needs for each were currently being met. Based on this analysis, ETC Institute was able to estimate the number of households in the community that had the greatest “unmet” need for various features.

The three trail features with the highest number of households that have an unmet need:

1. Linear trails connecting to destinations throughout Dripping Springs – 1,727 households
2. Water stations – 1,584 households
3. Restrooms – 1,515 households

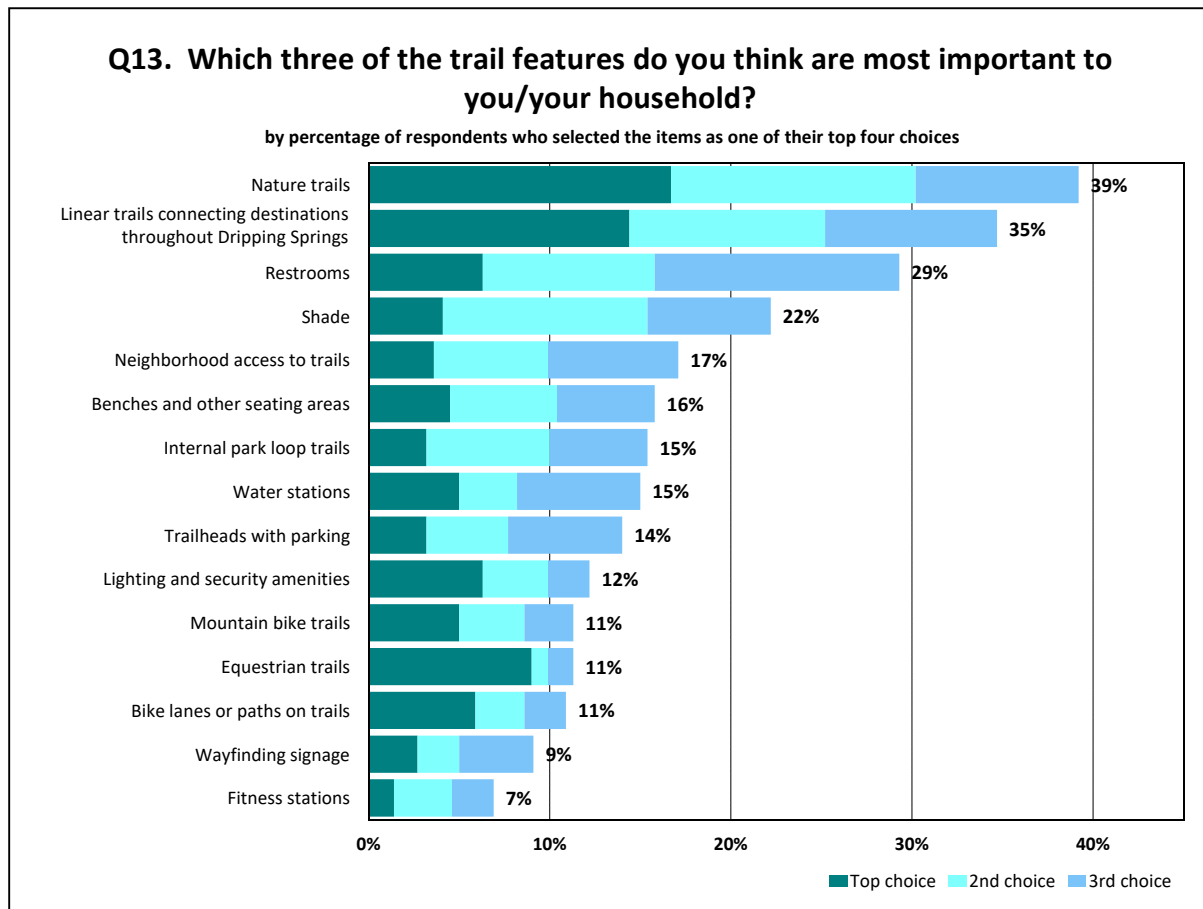
The estimated number of households that have unmet needs for each of the 15 trails assessed is shown in the chart below.



Programs Importance: In addition to assessing the needs for each program, ETC Institute also assessed the importance that residents placed on each item. Based on the sum of respondents' top four choices, these were the four programs ranked most important to residents:

1. Nature trails (39%)
2. Linear trails connecting destinations throughout City (35%)
3. Restrooms (29%)
4. Shade (22%)

The percentage of residents who selected each trail feature as one of their top four choices is shown in the chart below.

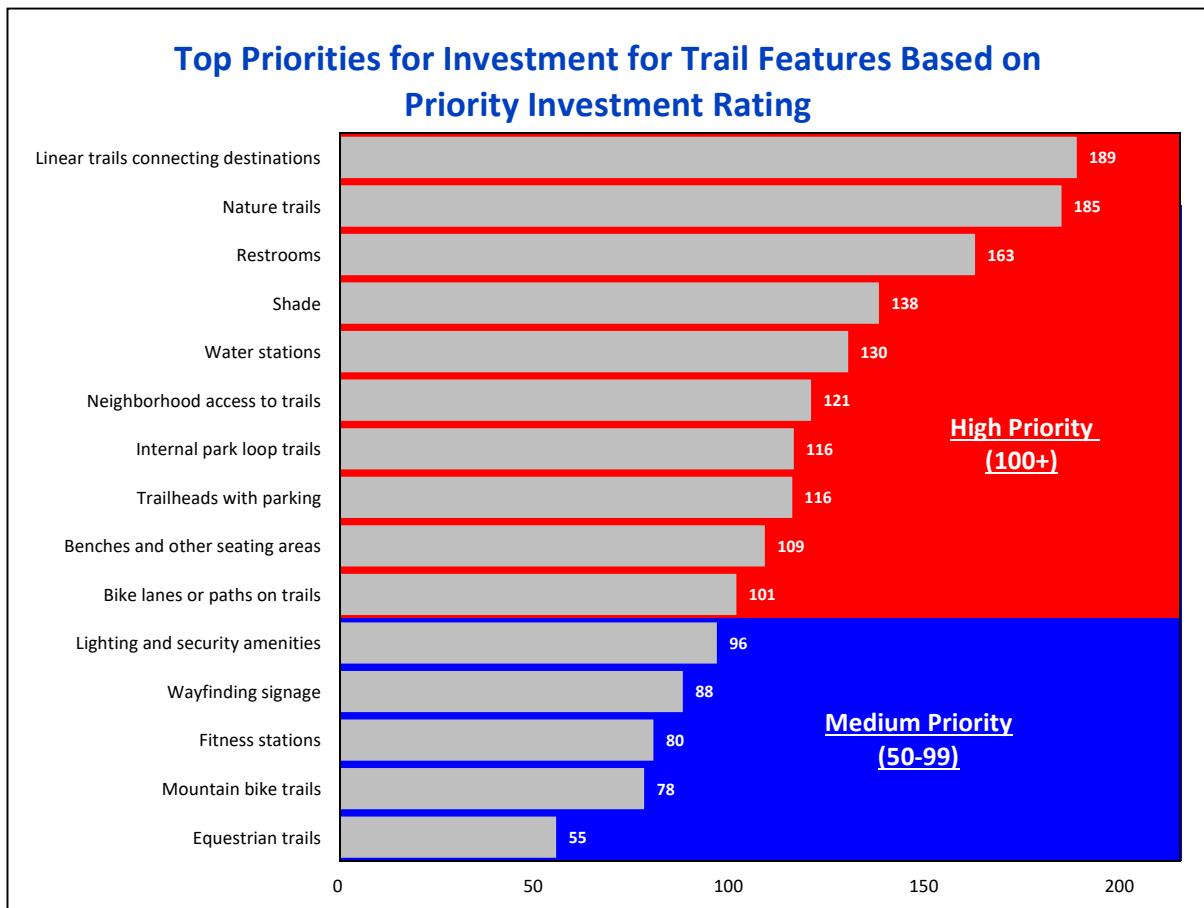


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Based the Priority Investment Rating (PIR), the following activities/programs were rated as high priorities for investment:

- Linear trails connecting destinations (PIR=188.5)
- Nature trails (PIR=184.6)
- Restrooms (PIR=162.5)
- Shade (PIR=137.9)
- Water stations (PIR=130)
- Neighborhood access to trails (PIR=120.5)
- Internal park loop trails (PIR=116.1)
- Trailheads with parking (PIR=115.7)
- Benches and other seating areas (PIR=108.7)
- Bike lanes or paths on trails (PIR=101.4)

The chart below shows the Priority Investment Rating for each of the 15 programs assessed on the survey.

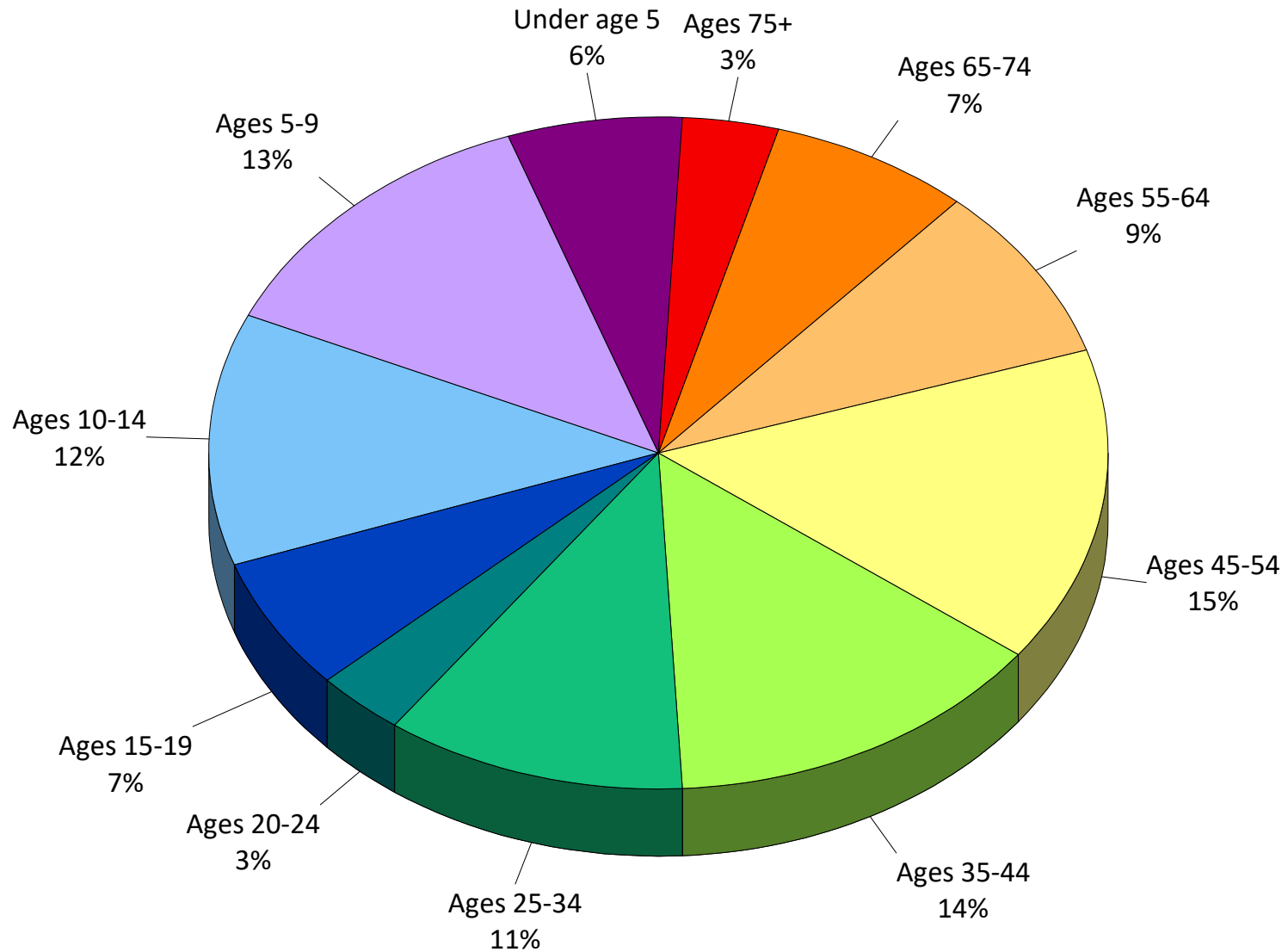


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Charts & Graphs

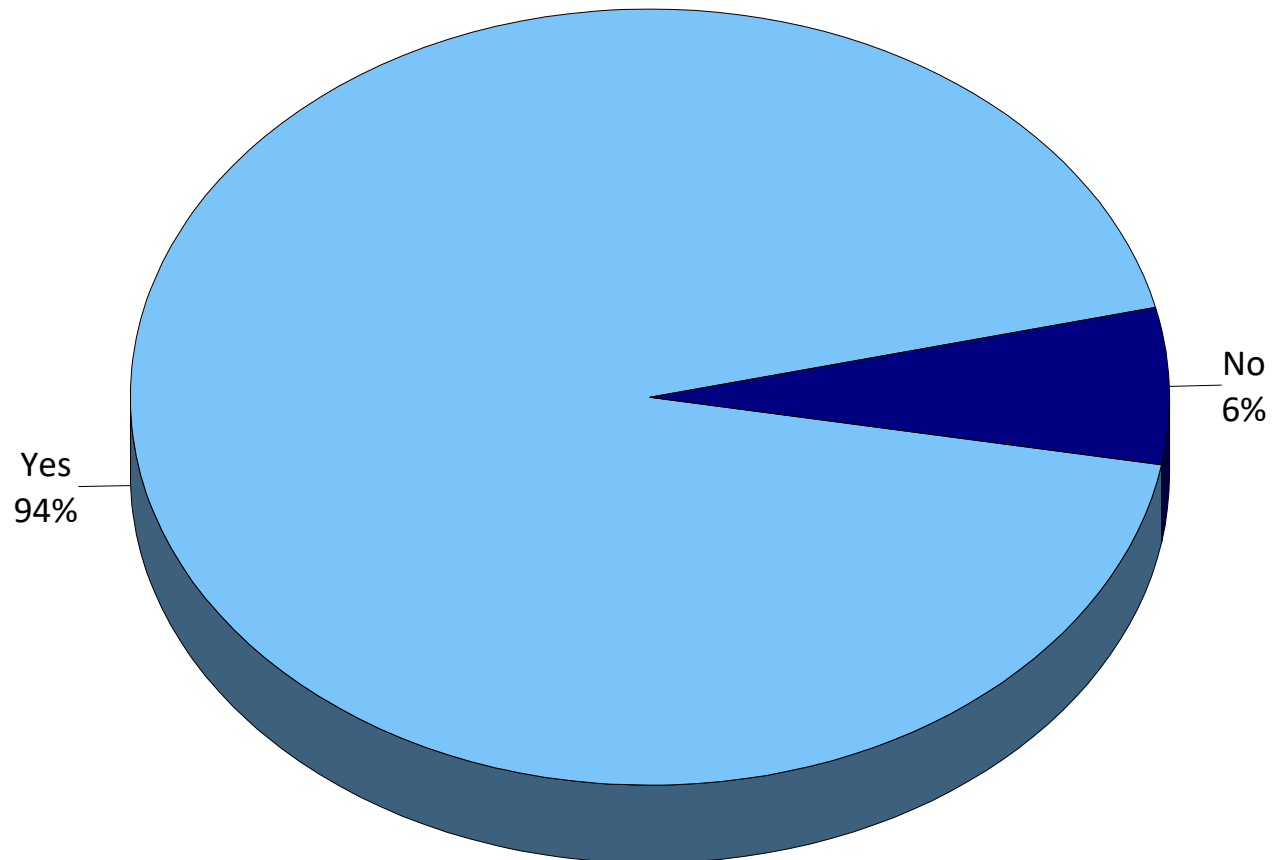
Q1. Counting yourself, how many people in your household are...

by percentage of persons in household



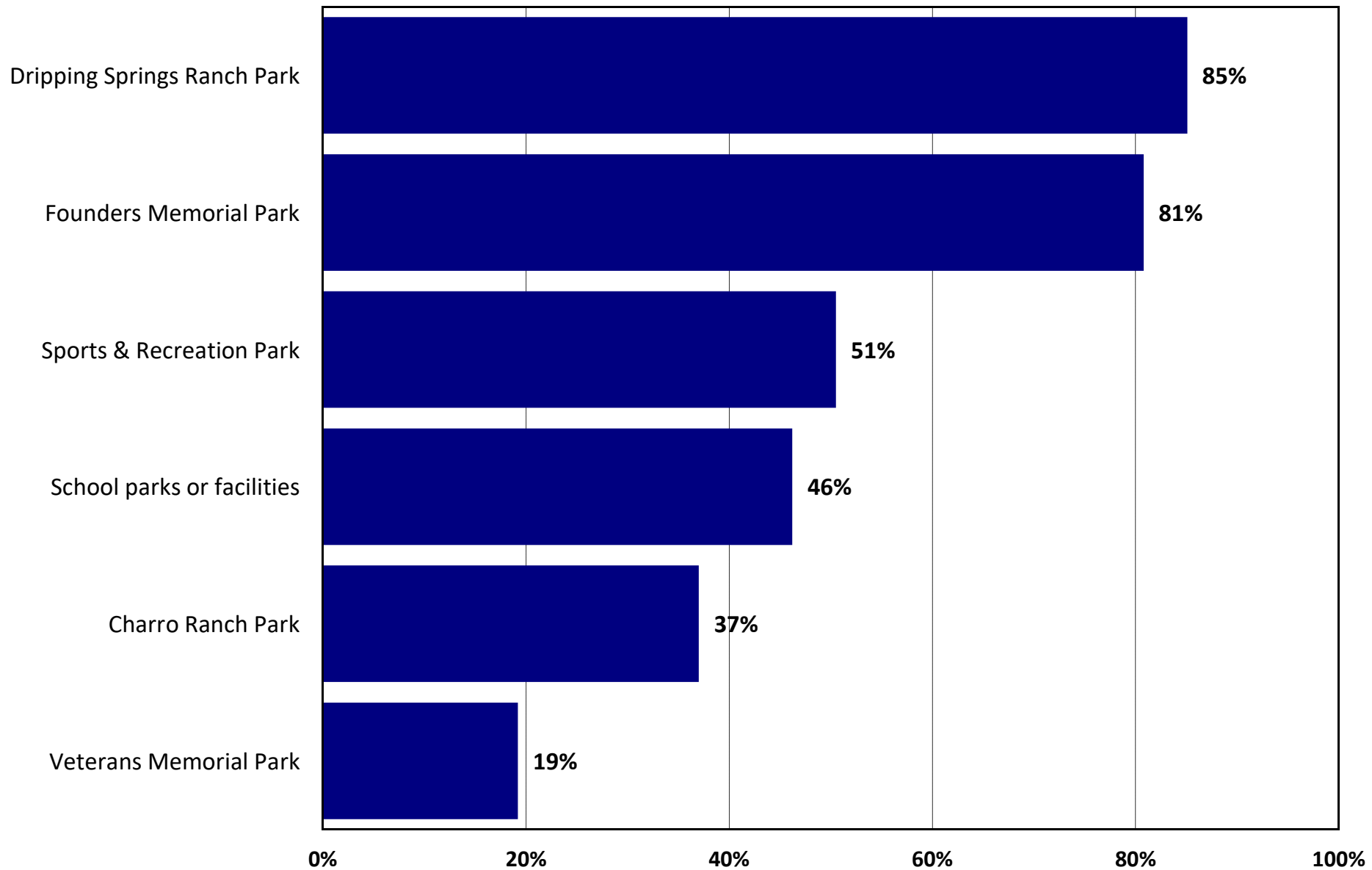
Q2. Have you or other members of your household visited any parks offered by the City of Dripping Springs during the past 12 months?

by percentage of respondents



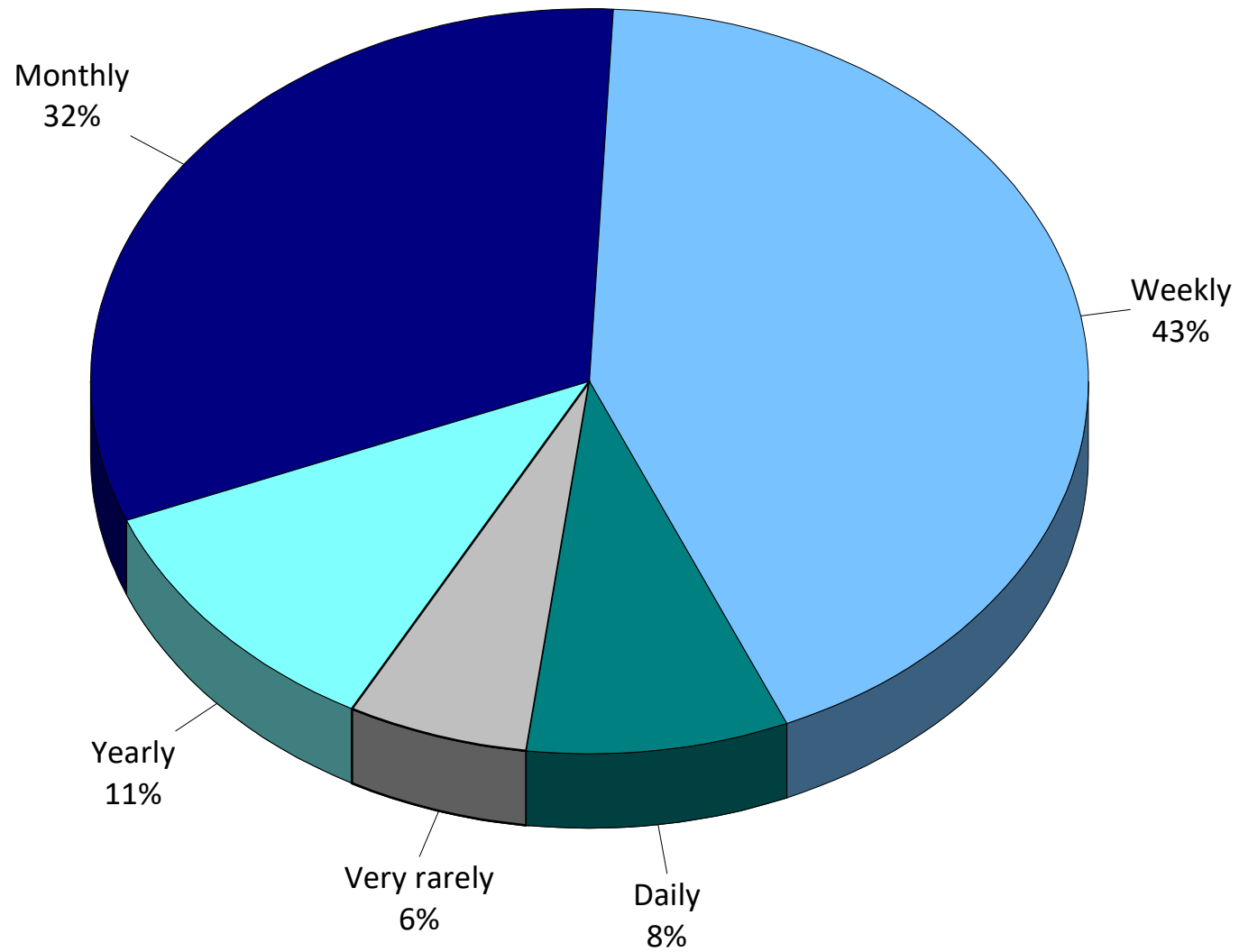
Q2a. Please check ALL the parks listed below that you or members of your household have visited during the past 12 months.

by percentage of respondents who answered "yes" to Q2 (multiple selections could be made)



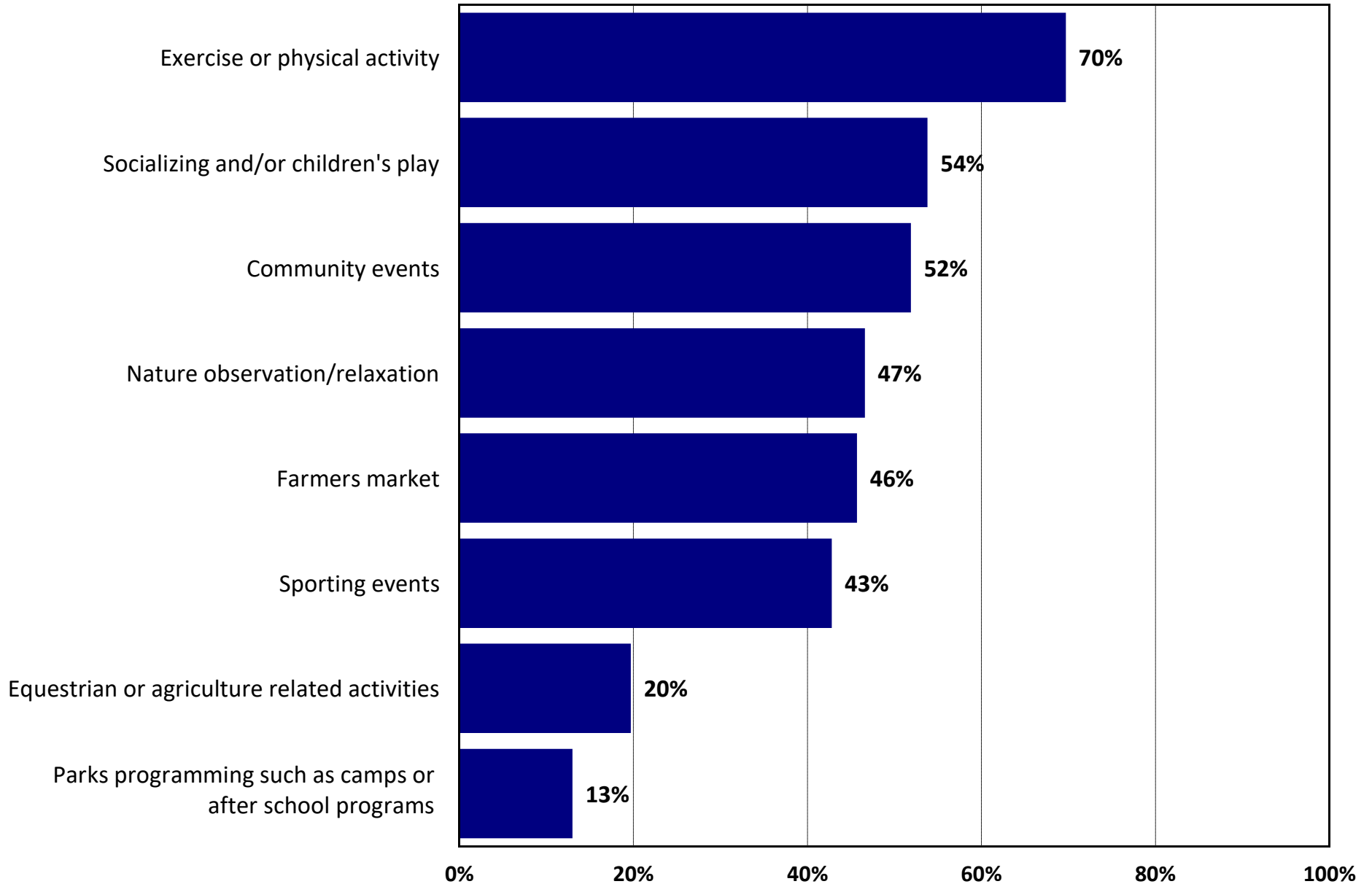
Q2b. On average, how often do you visit the parks you selected in Question 2a?

by percentage of respondents who answered "yes" to Q2 (excluding "not provided")



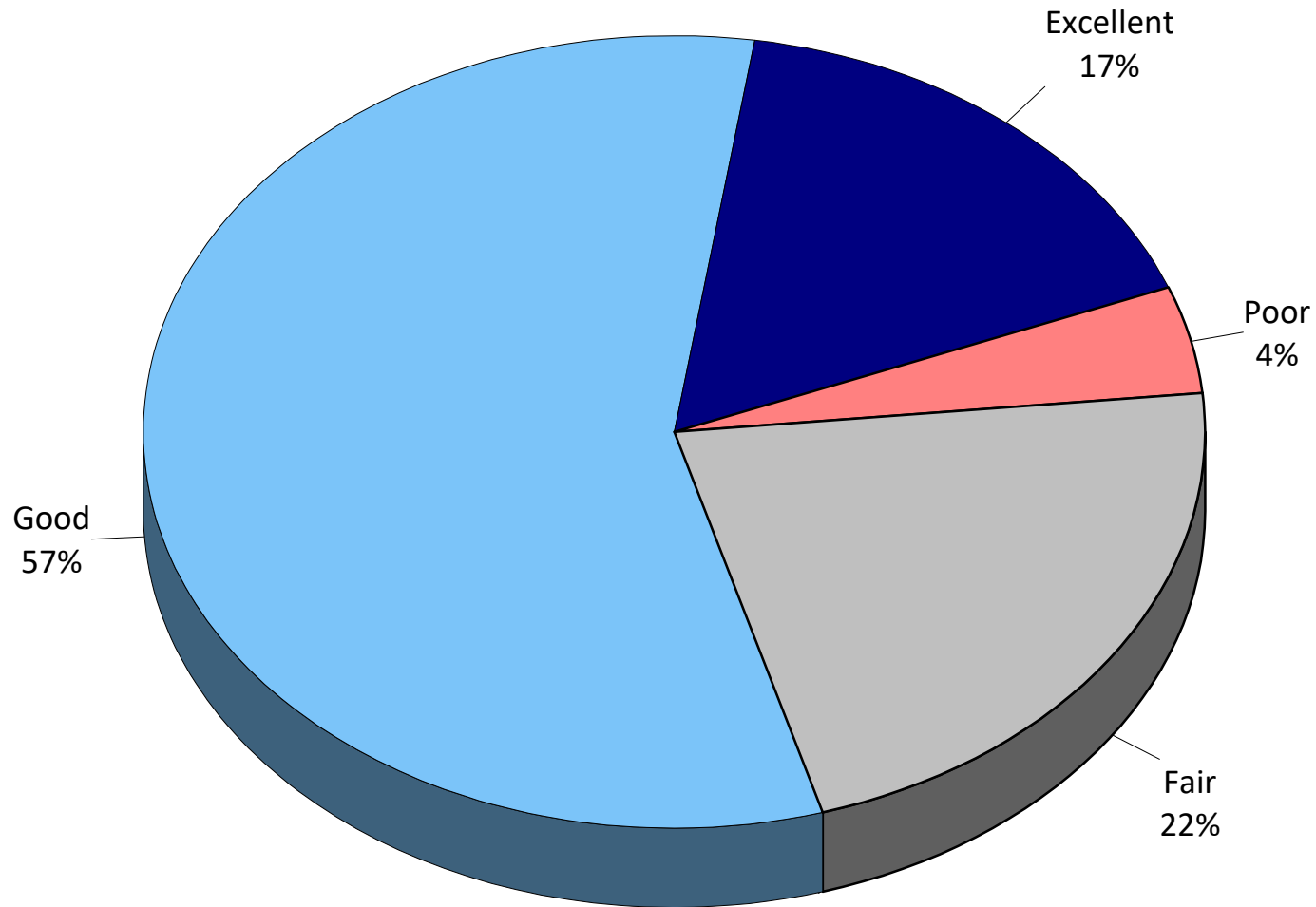
Q2c. Please check ALL the reasons you visit the parks you selected in Question 2a.

by percentage of respondents who selected parks in 2a (multiple selections could be made)



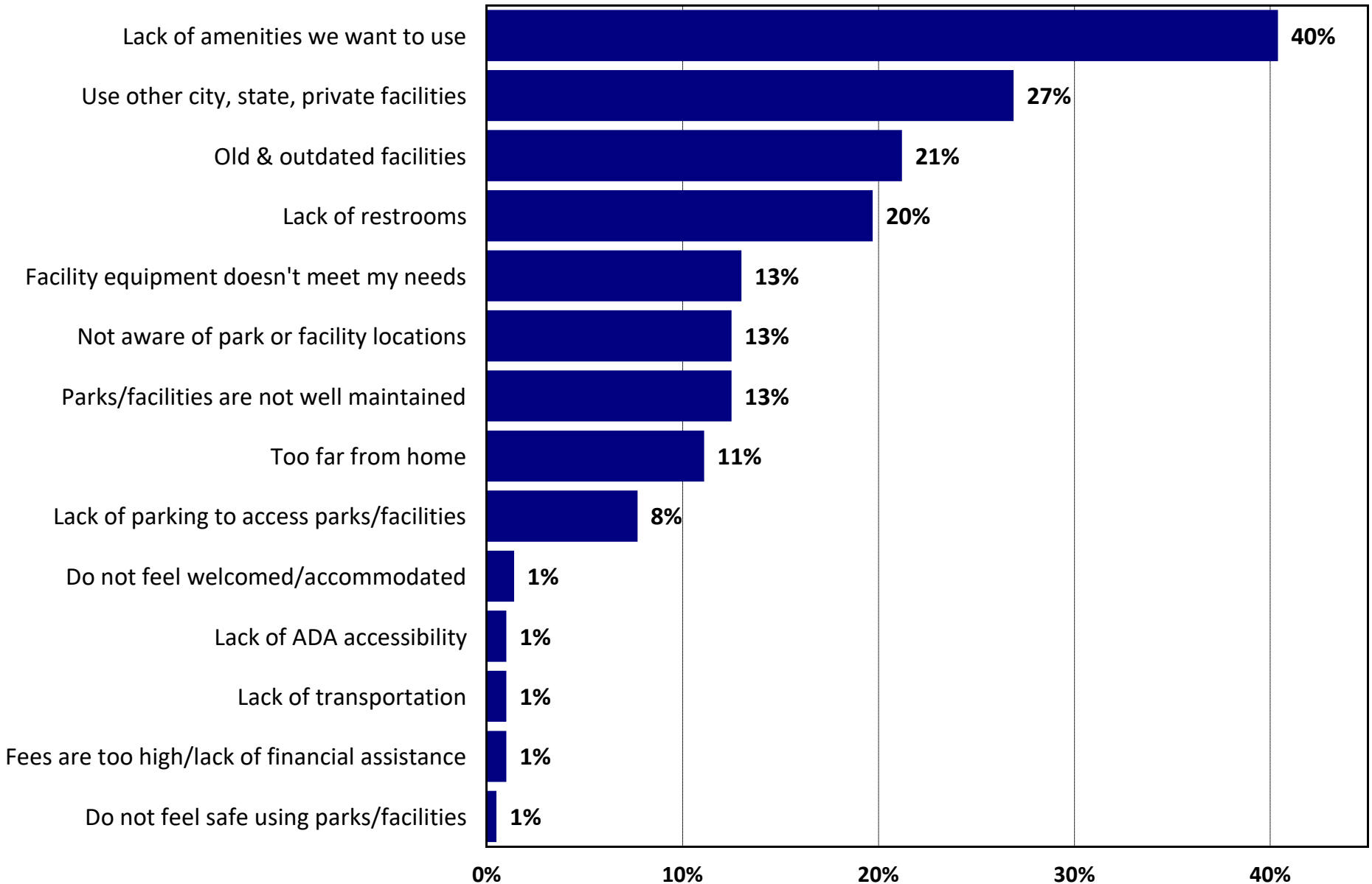
Q2d. How would you rate the overall quality of the City of Dripping Springs parks you or members of your household have visited during the past 12 months?

by percentage of respondents who answered "yes" to Q2



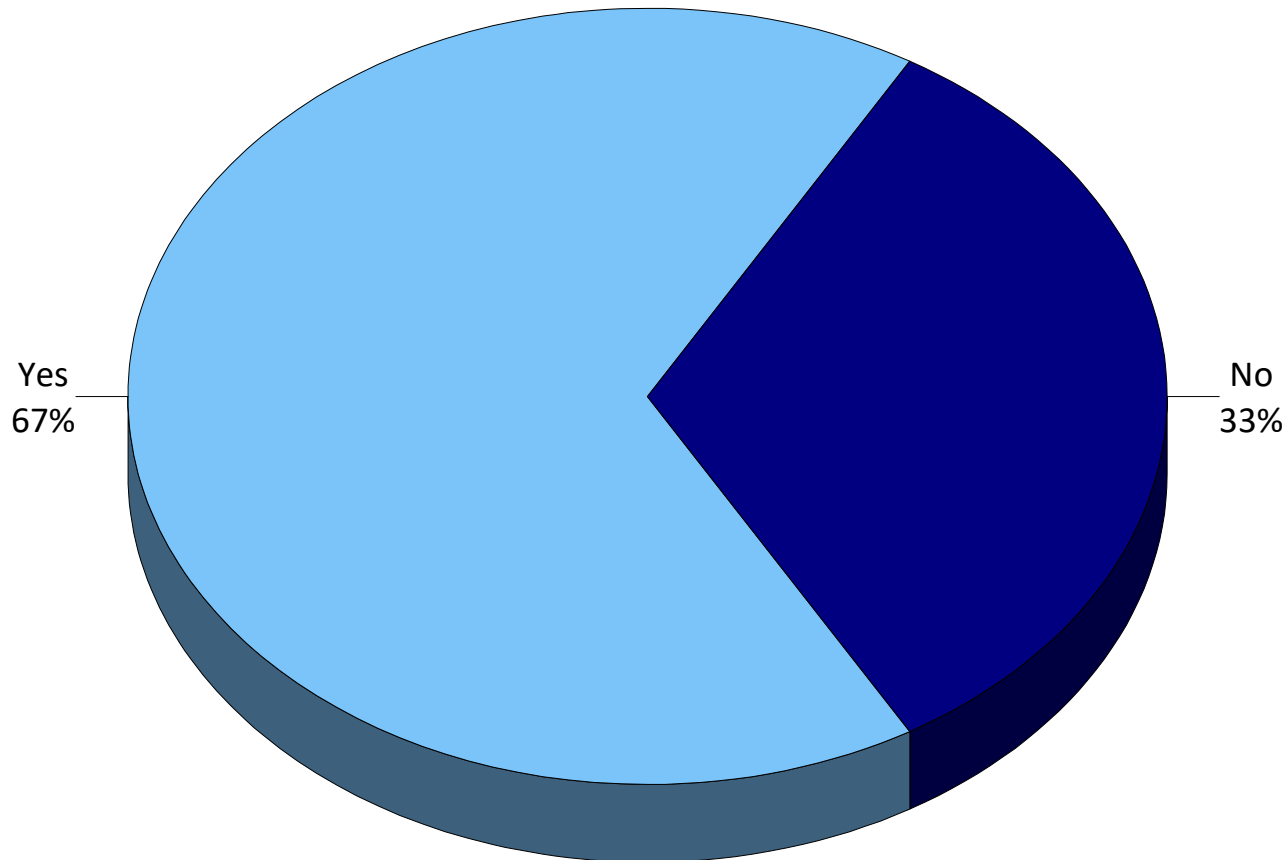
Q2e. Please check ALL the reasons why you and the members of your household do not visit parks or why you do not visit more often.

by percentage of respondents (multiple selections could be made)



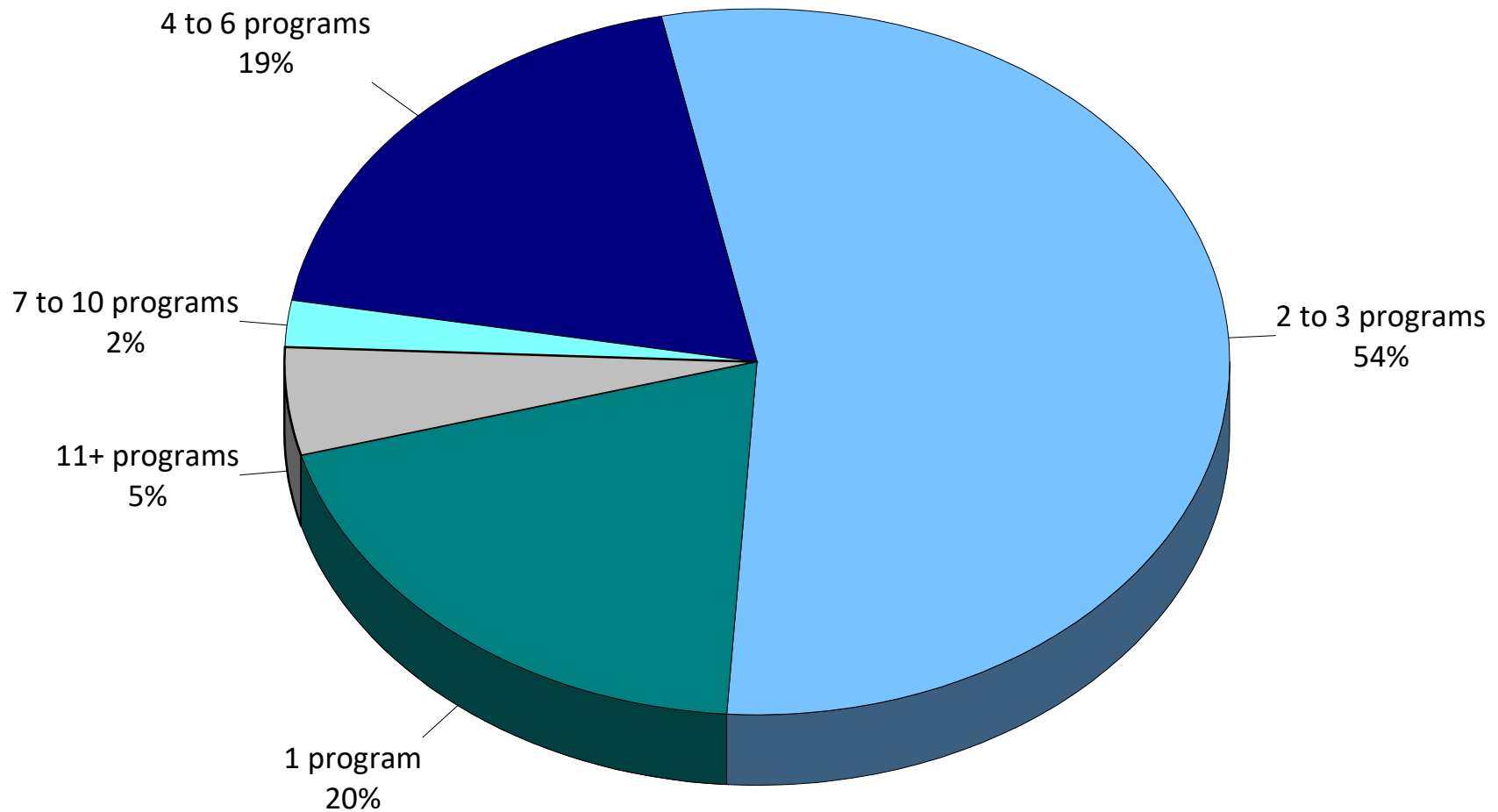
Q3. Have you or other members of your household participated in or attended any recreation programs/activities or special events or performances offered by the City of Dripping Springs during the past 12 months?

by percentage of respondents



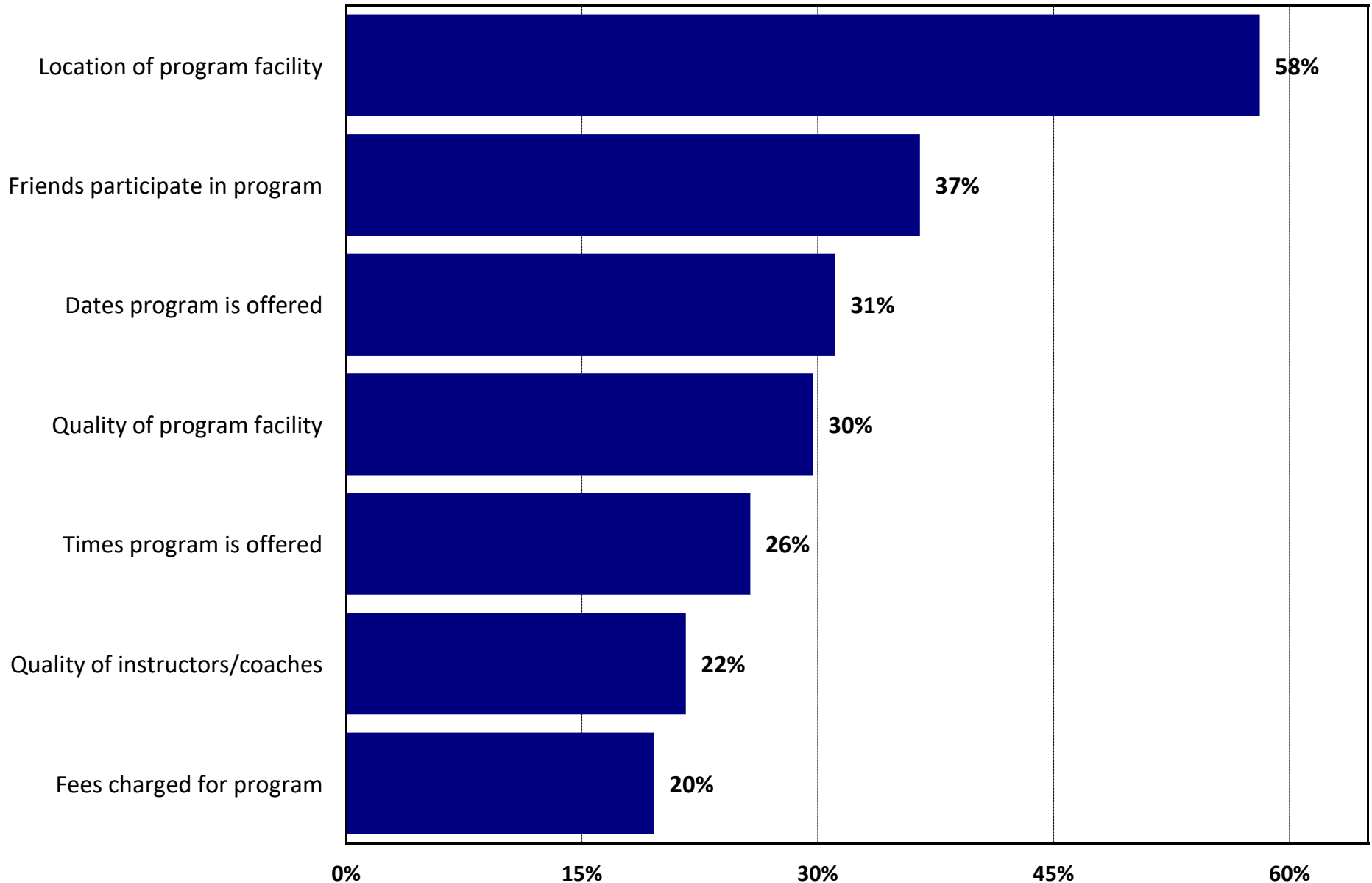
Q3a. Approximately how many different recreation programs/activities, special events or performances offered by the City of Dripping Springs have you or members of your household participated in or attended over the past 12 months?

by percentage of respondents who answered "yes" to Q3 (excluding "not provided")



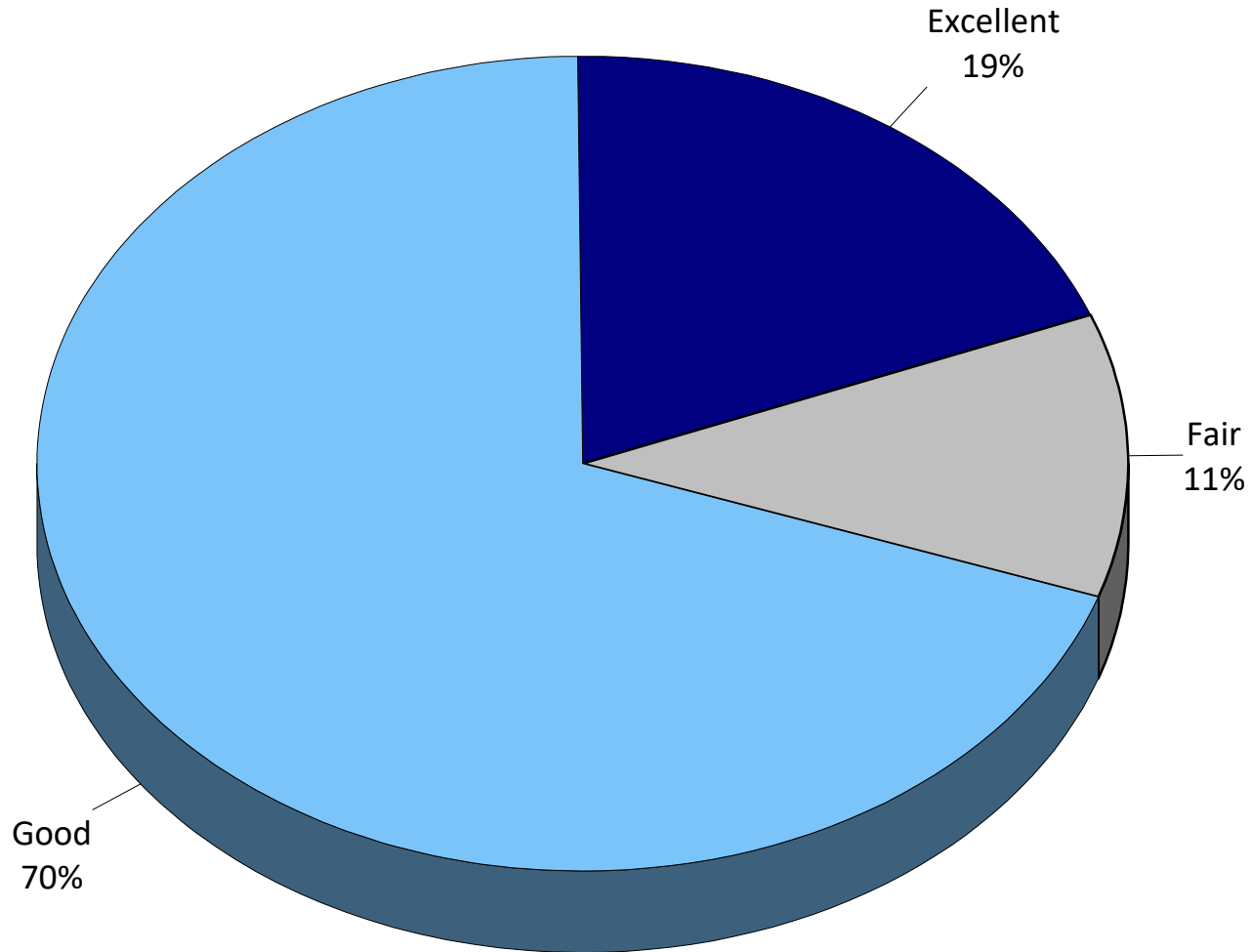
Q3b. Check the primary reasons why you/members of your household participate in programs/activities or attend special events or performances in Dripping Springs.

by percentage of respondents who answered "yes" to Q3 (multiple selections could be made)



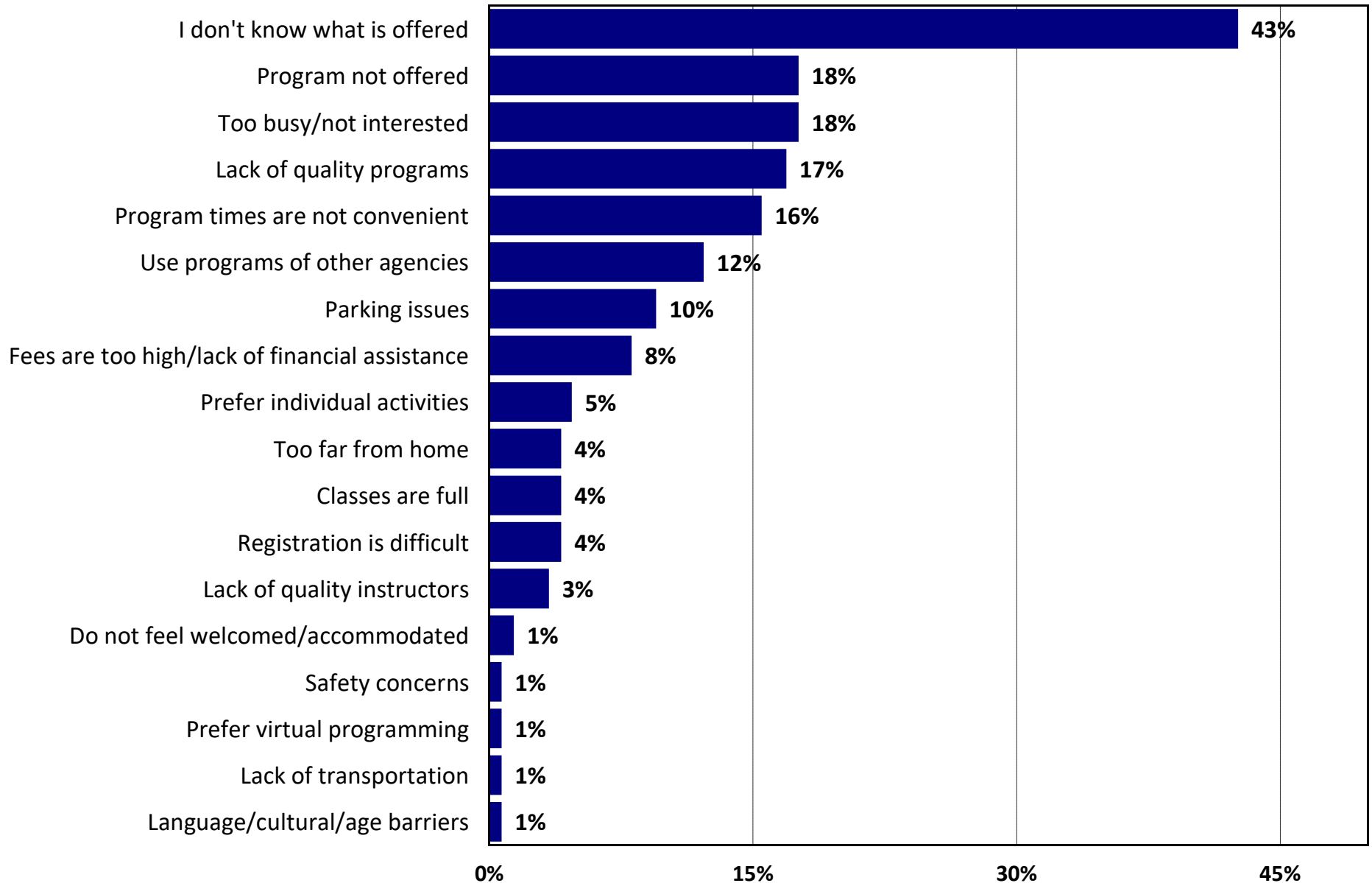
Q3c. How would you rate the overall quality of programs/activities that you or members of your household have participated in during the past 12 months?

by percentage of respondents who answered "yes" to Q3 (excluding "not provided")



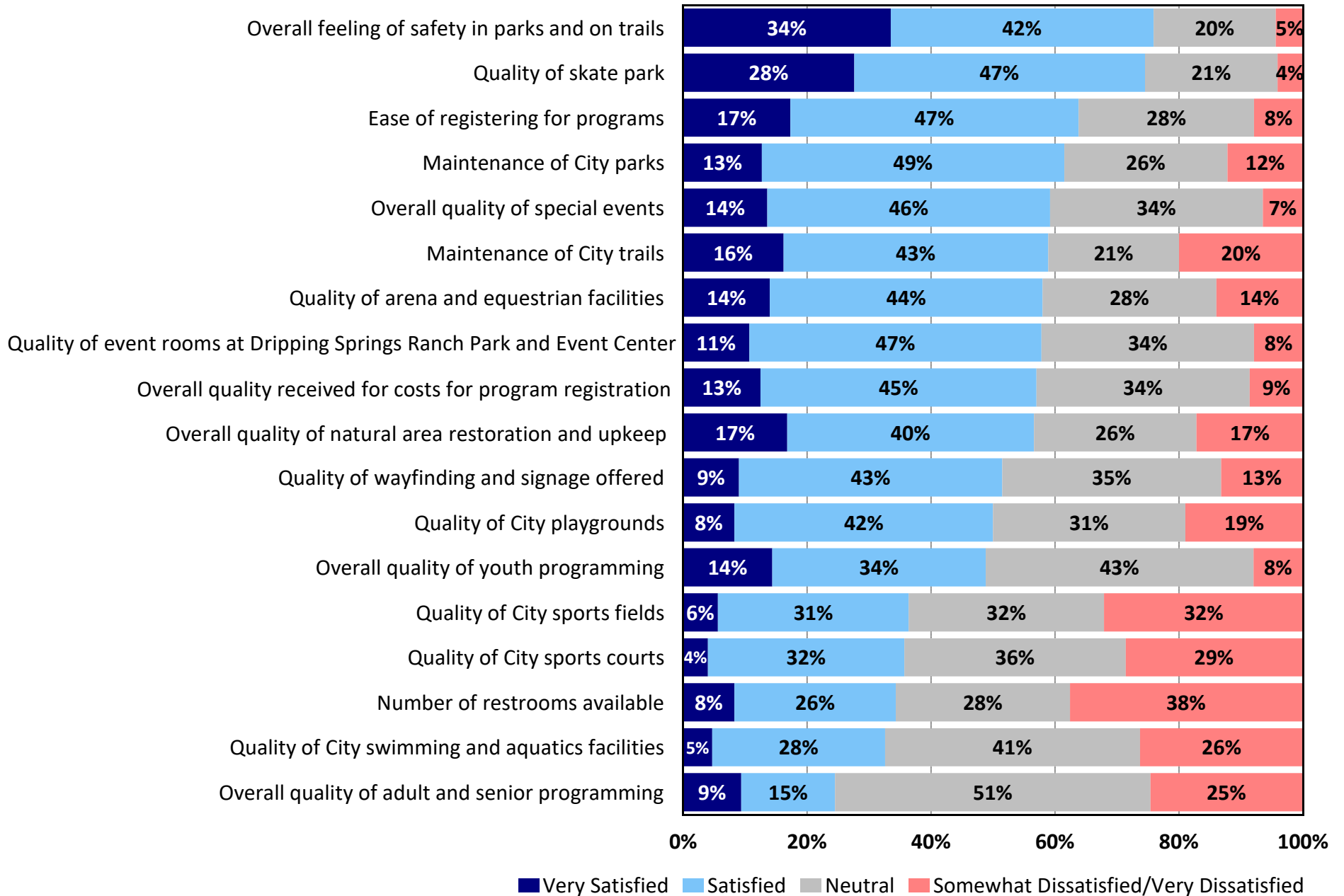
Q3d. Please check ALL the reasons why you and the members of your household have not participated in programs or why you do not participate more often.

by percentage of respondents (multiple selections could be made)



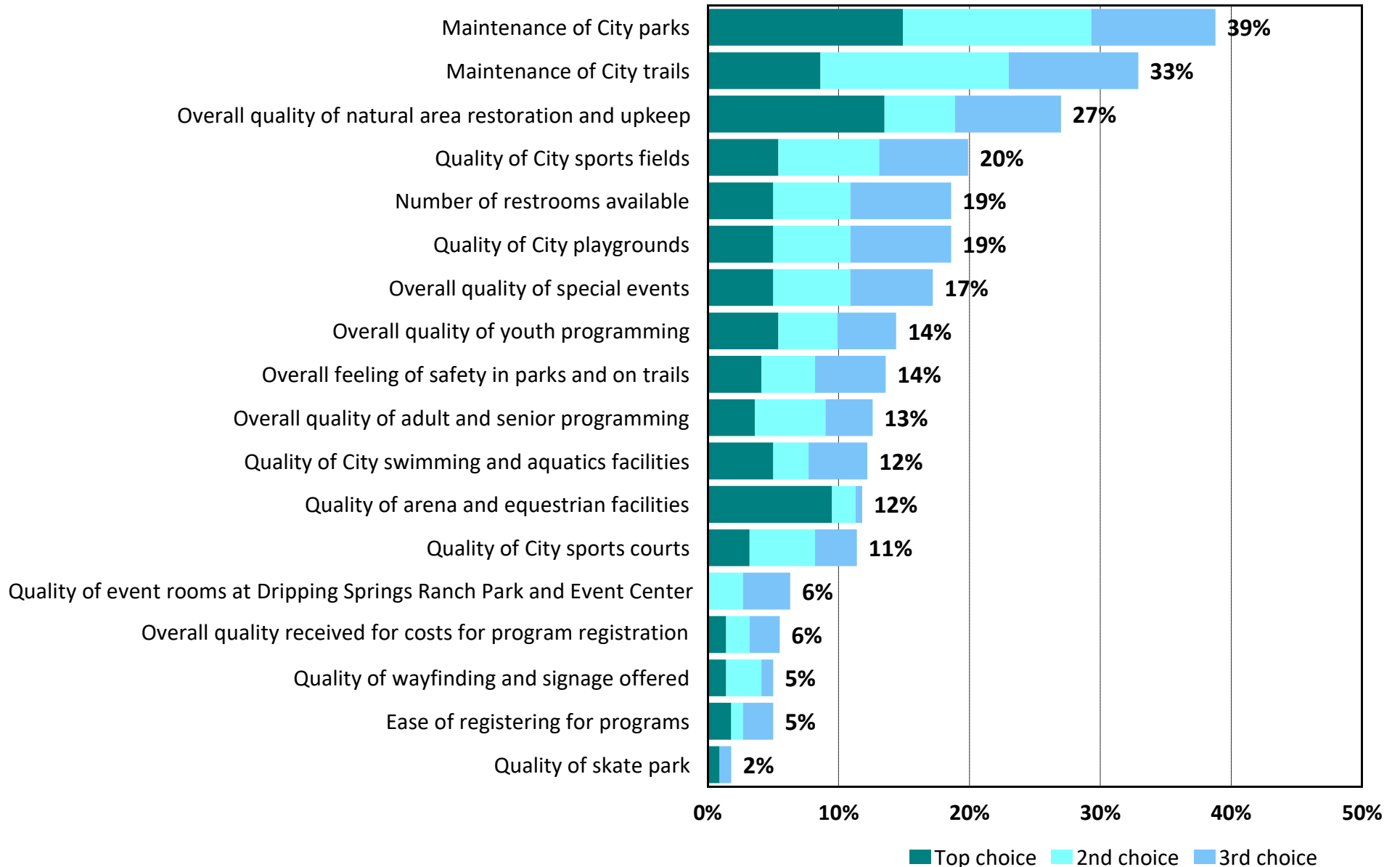
Q4. Satisfaction with Aspects of Parks and Recreation

by percentage of respondents (excluding "don't know")



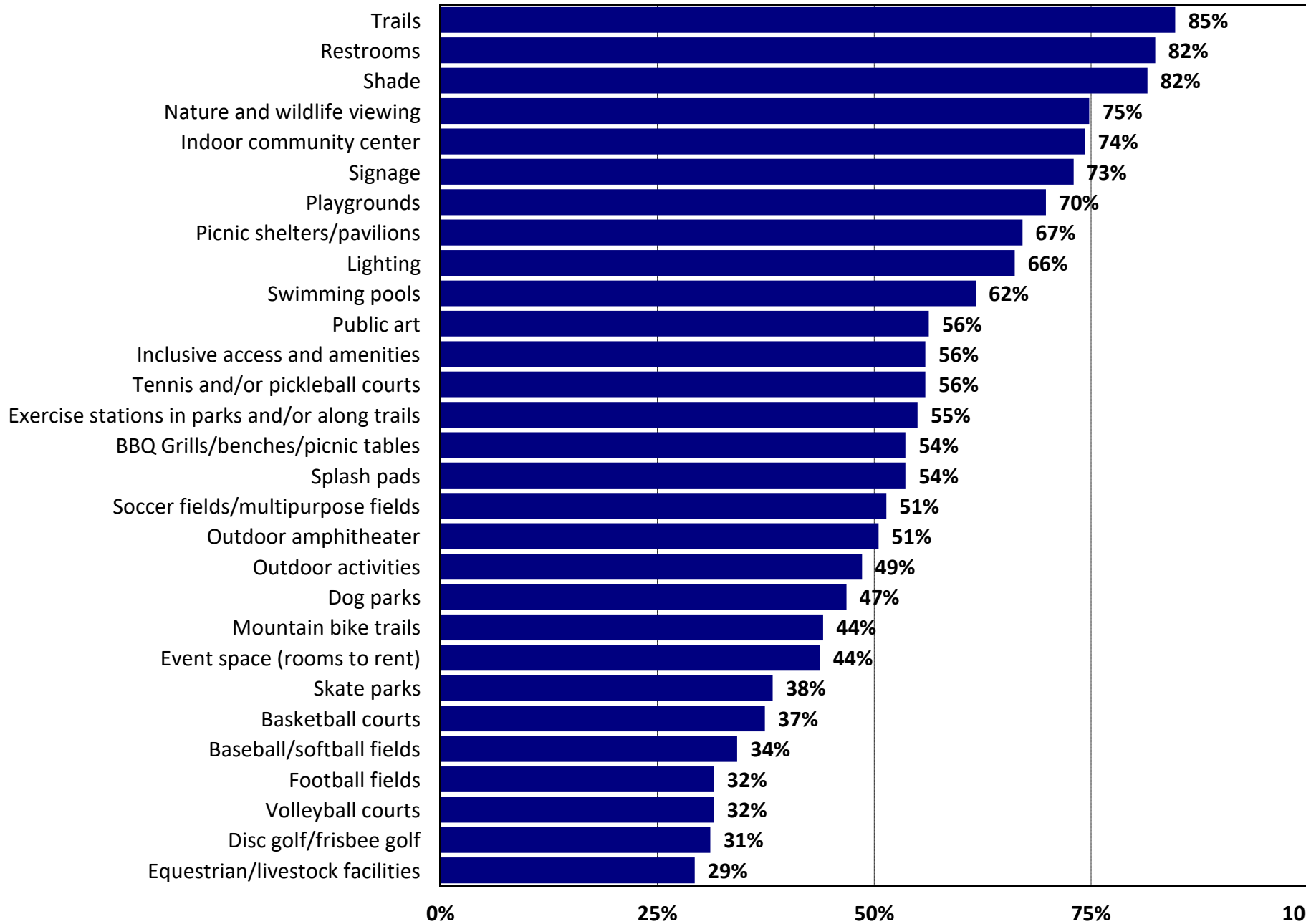
Q5. Which THREE of the items in Question 4 do you think are MOST IMPORTANT for the City of Dripping Springs to emphasize over the next 10 years?

by percentage of respondents who selected the items as one of their top three choices



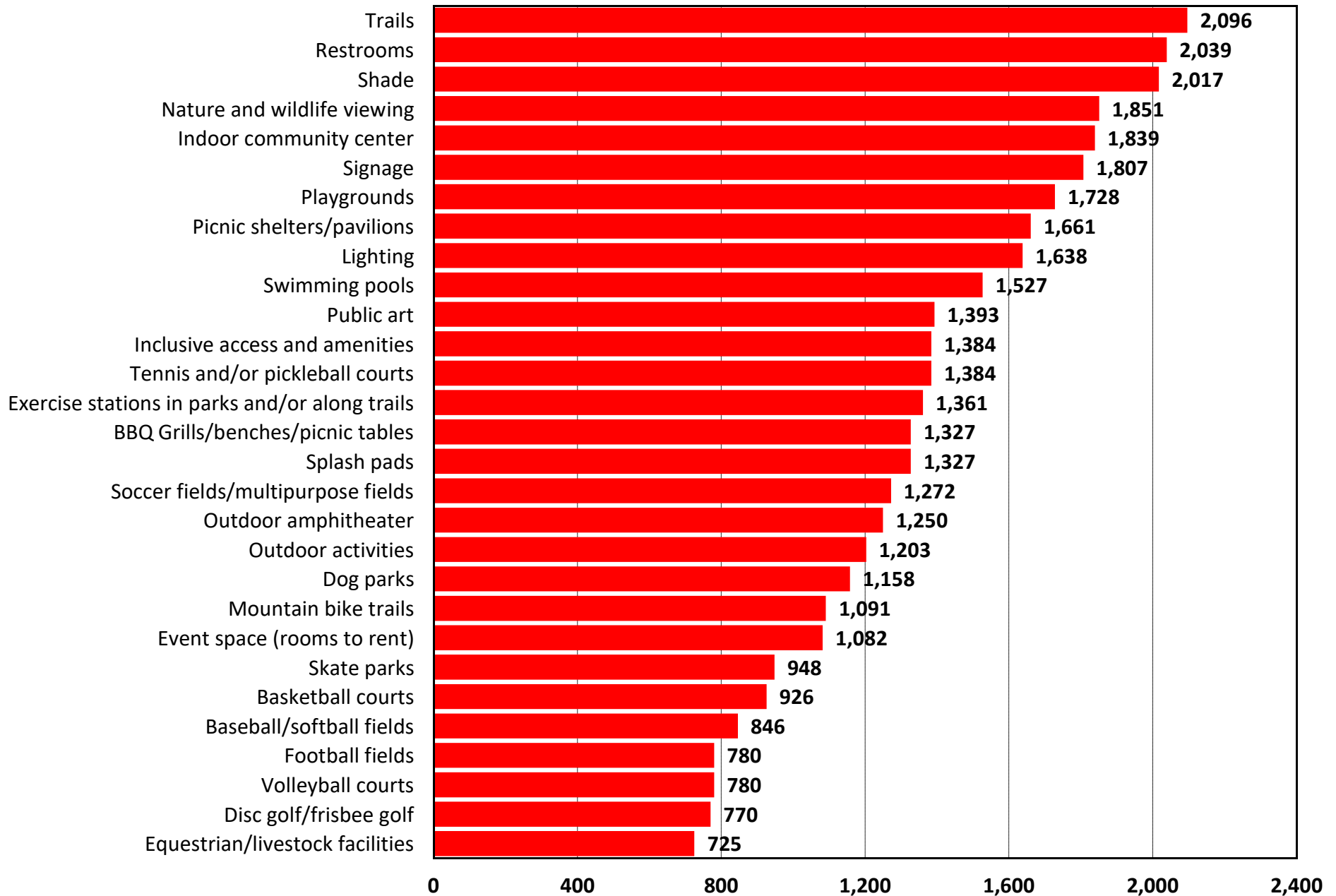
Q6. Need for Recreation Facilities/Amenities

by percentage of respondents who indicated need



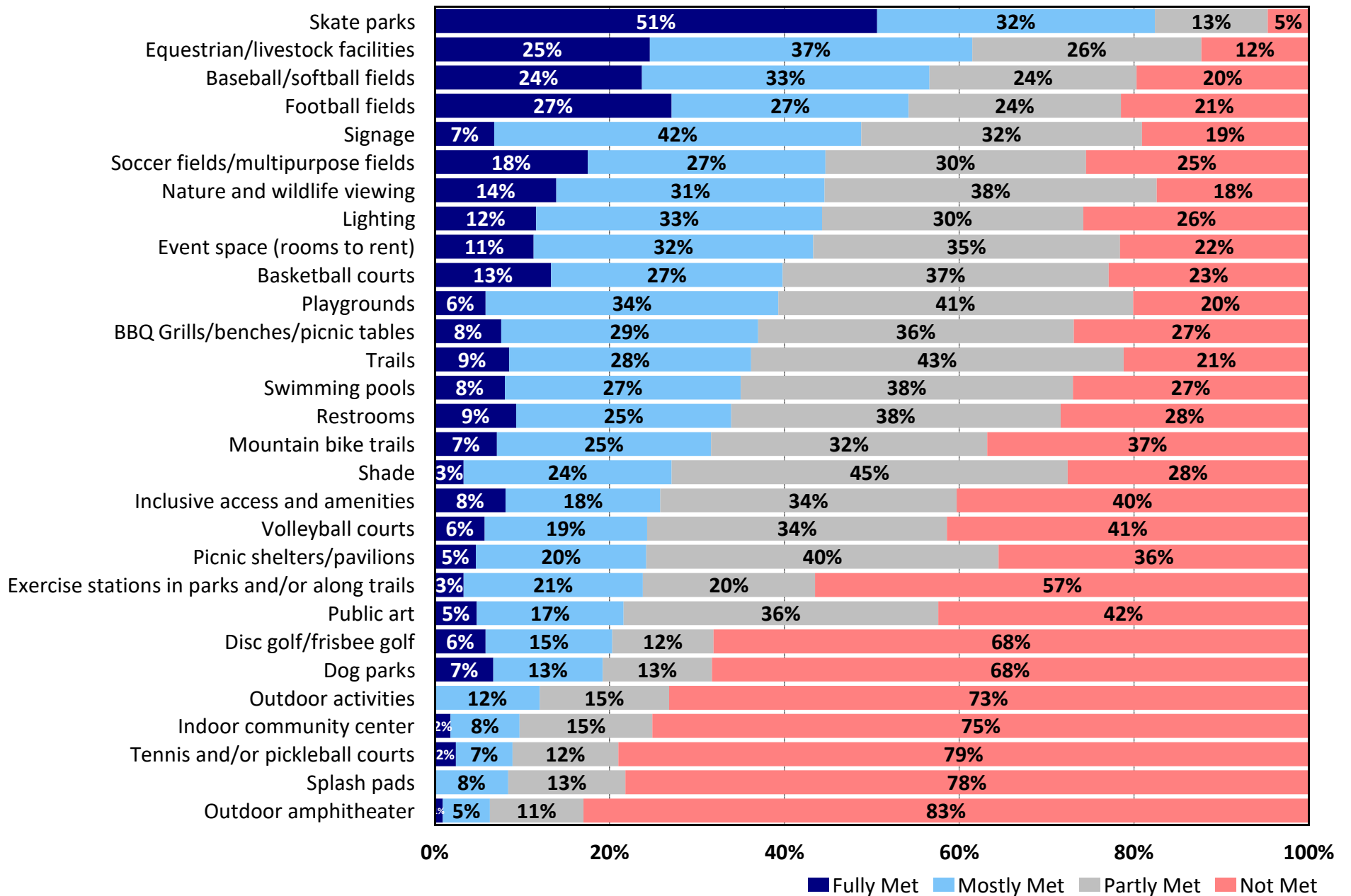
Q6b. Estimated number of households who have a need for facilities/amenities

by number of households based on an estimated 2,475 households



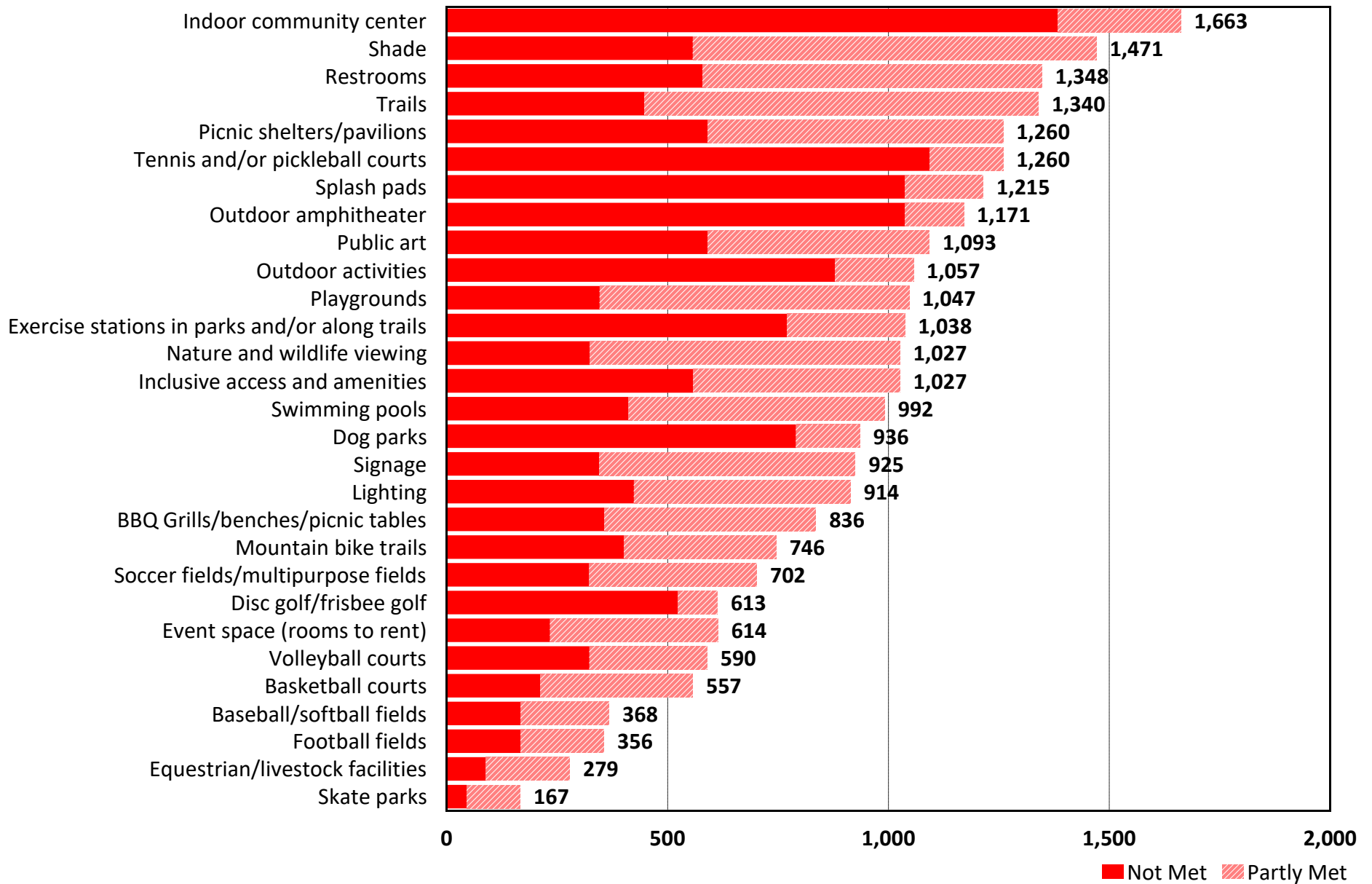
Q6c. Please indicate how well your needs are met for facilities/amenities.

by percentage of respondents (excluding "no need")



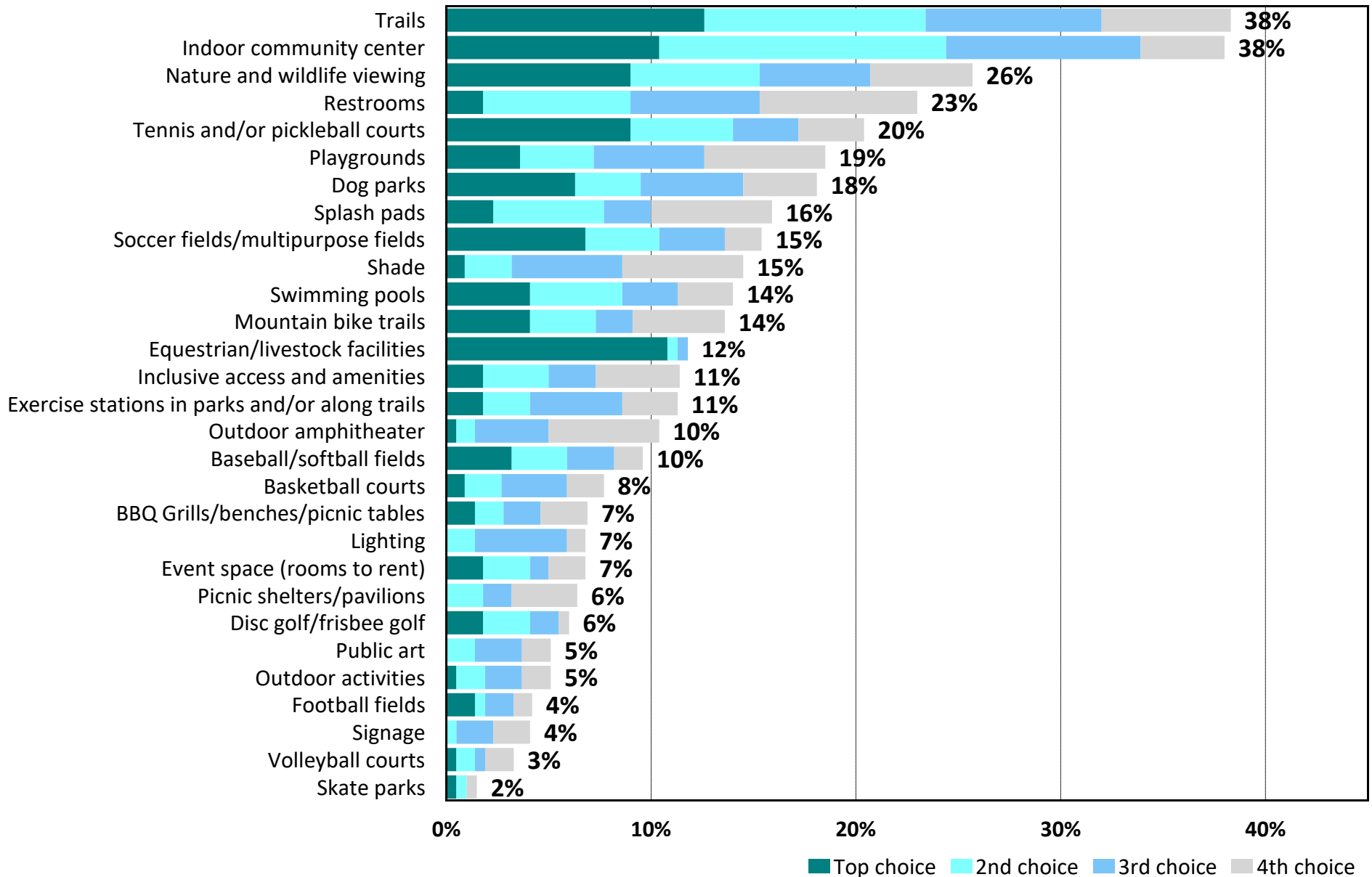
Q6d. Estimated number of households whose facility/amenity needs are only “partly met” or “not met”

by number of households with need based on an estimated 2,475 households



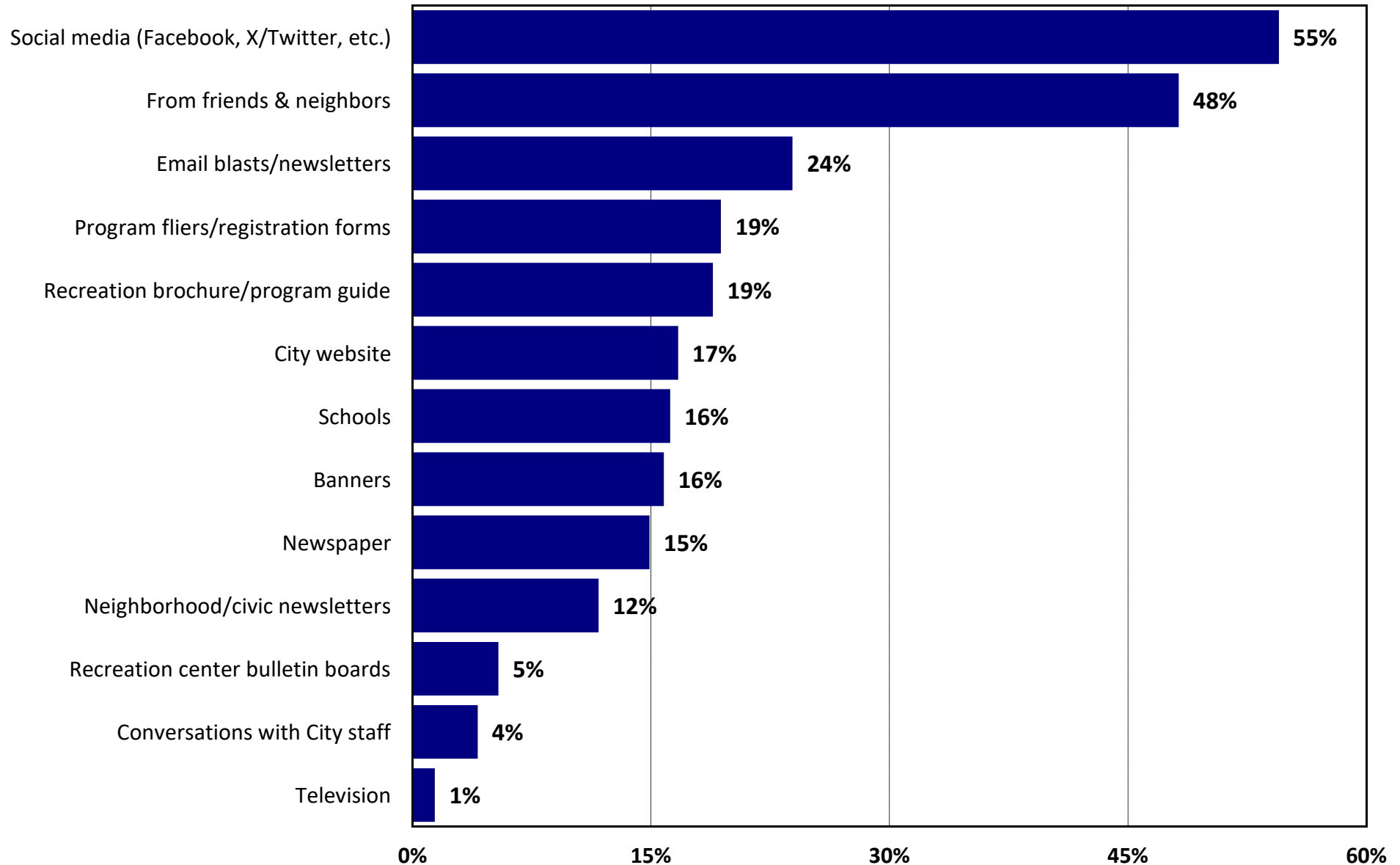
Q7. Which four of the facilities/amenities do you think are most important to you/your household?

by percentage of respondents who selected the items as one of their top four choices



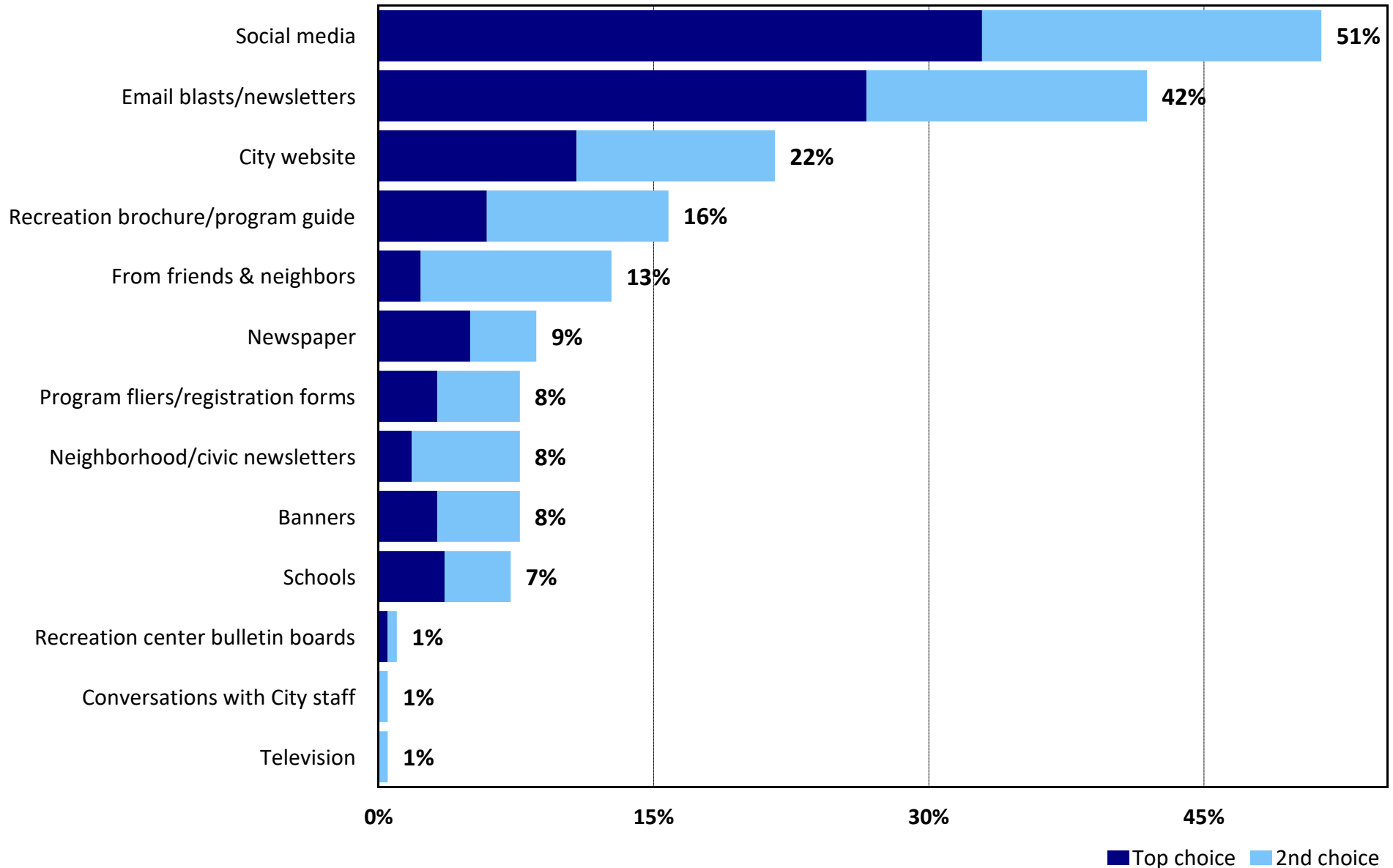
Q8. How do you currently learn about recreation facilities, programs, and services that are offered by the City of Dripping Springs?

by percentage of respondents (multiple selections could be made)



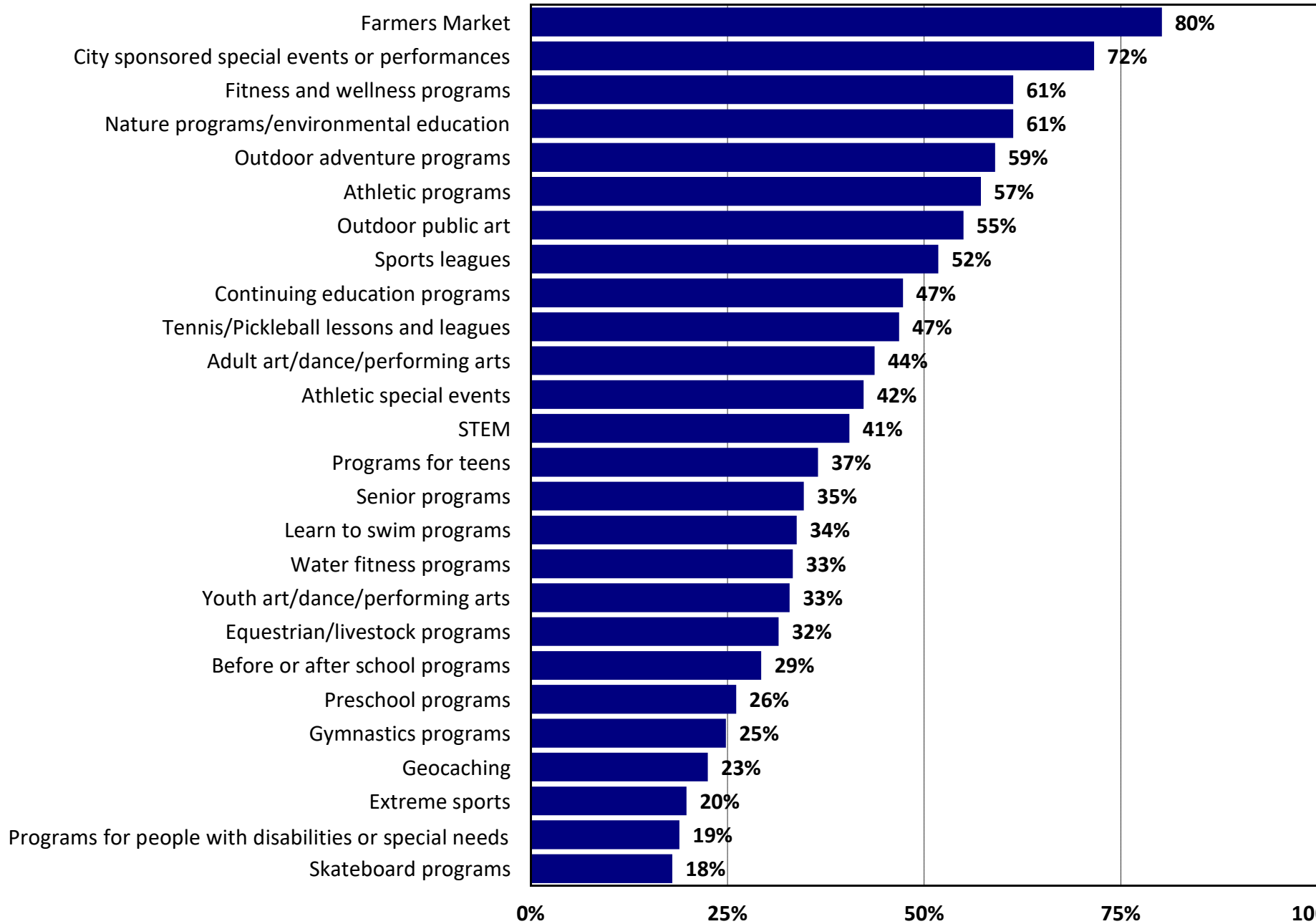
Q9. Which TWO of the sources of information listed in Question 8 do you MOST PREFER to use to get information?

by percentage of respondents who selected the items as one of their top two choices



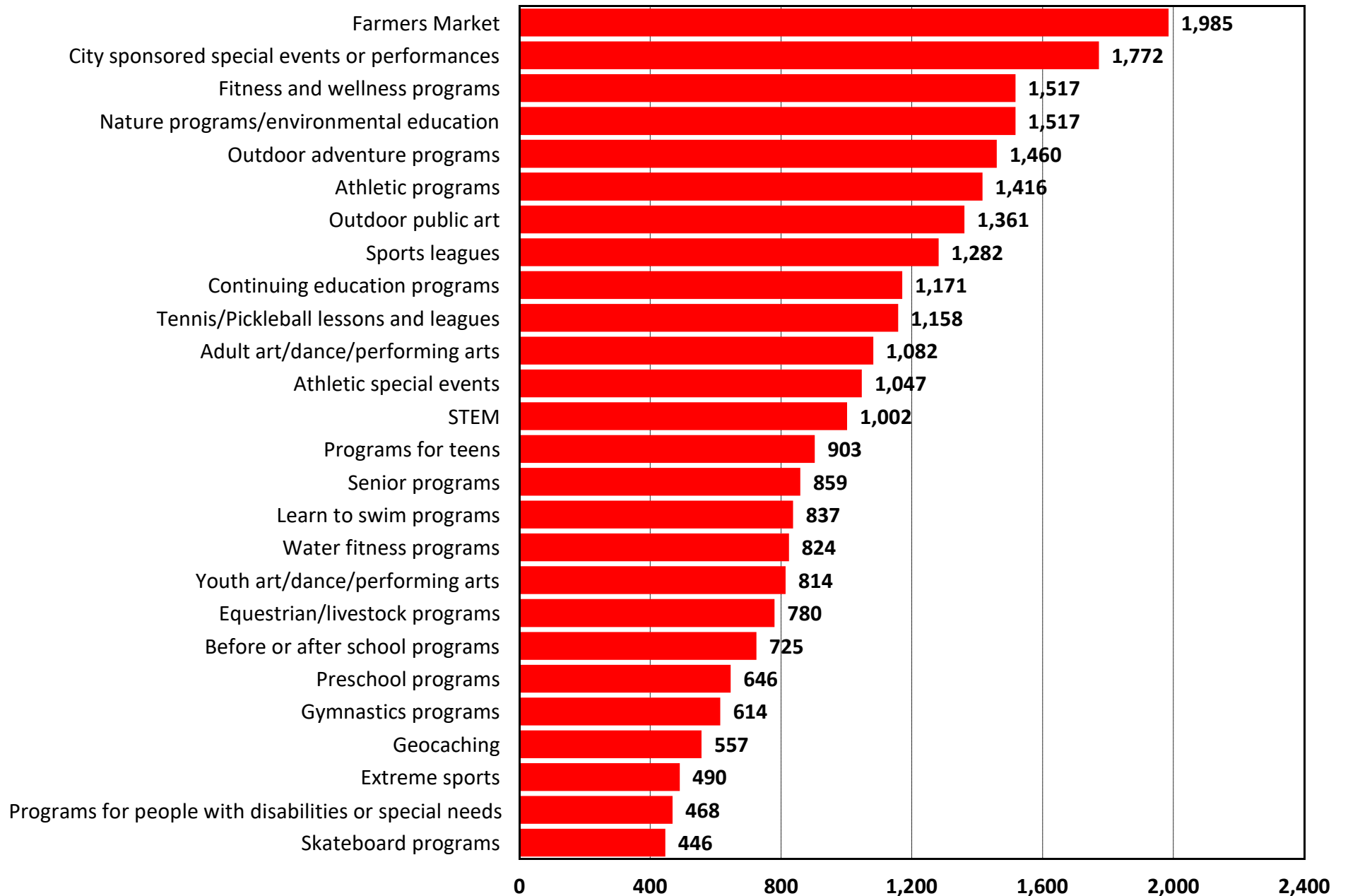
Q10. Need for Programs/Activities

by percentage of respondents who indicated need



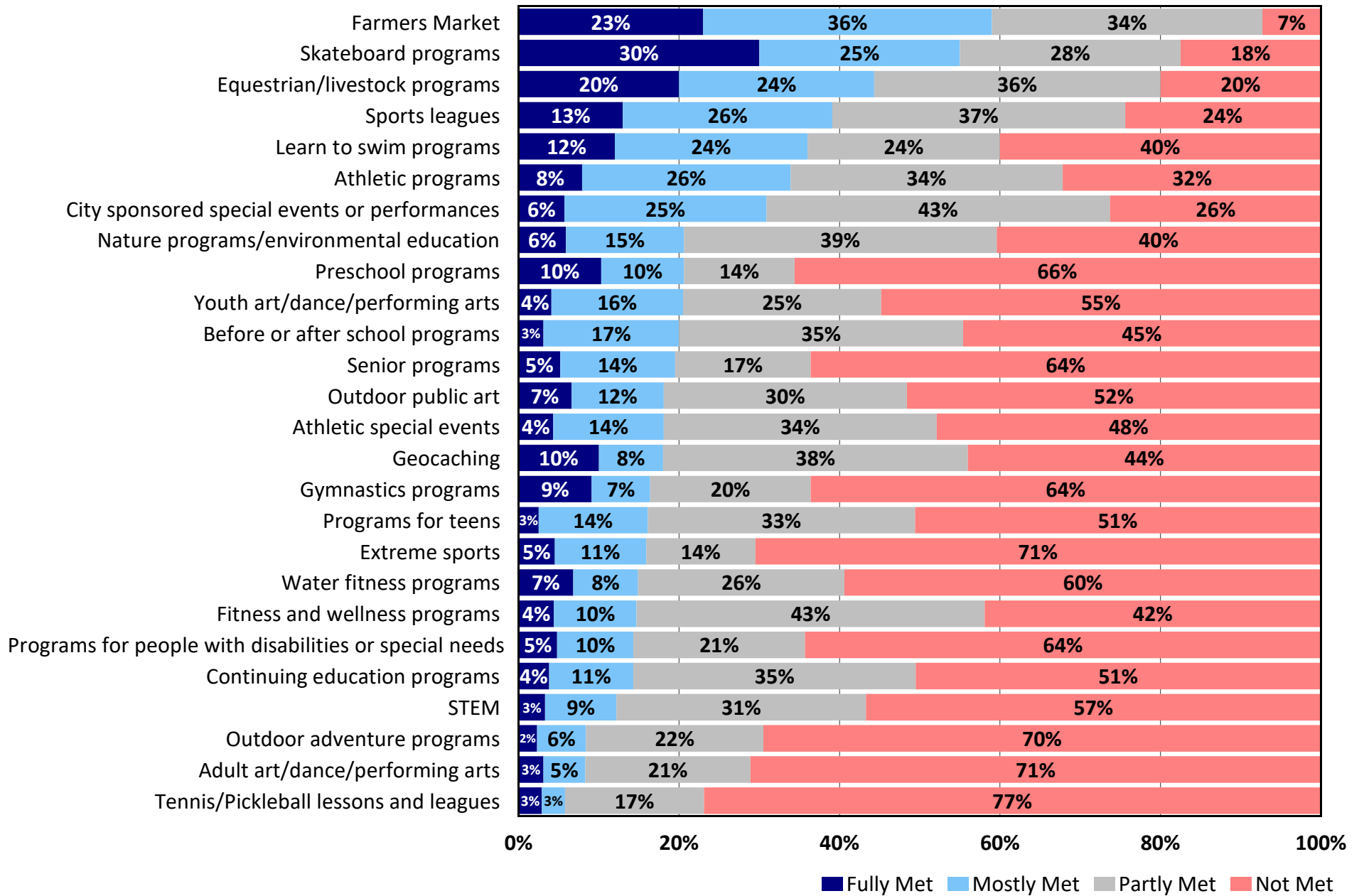
Q10b. Estimated number of households who have a need for programs/activities

by number of households based on an estimated 2,475 households



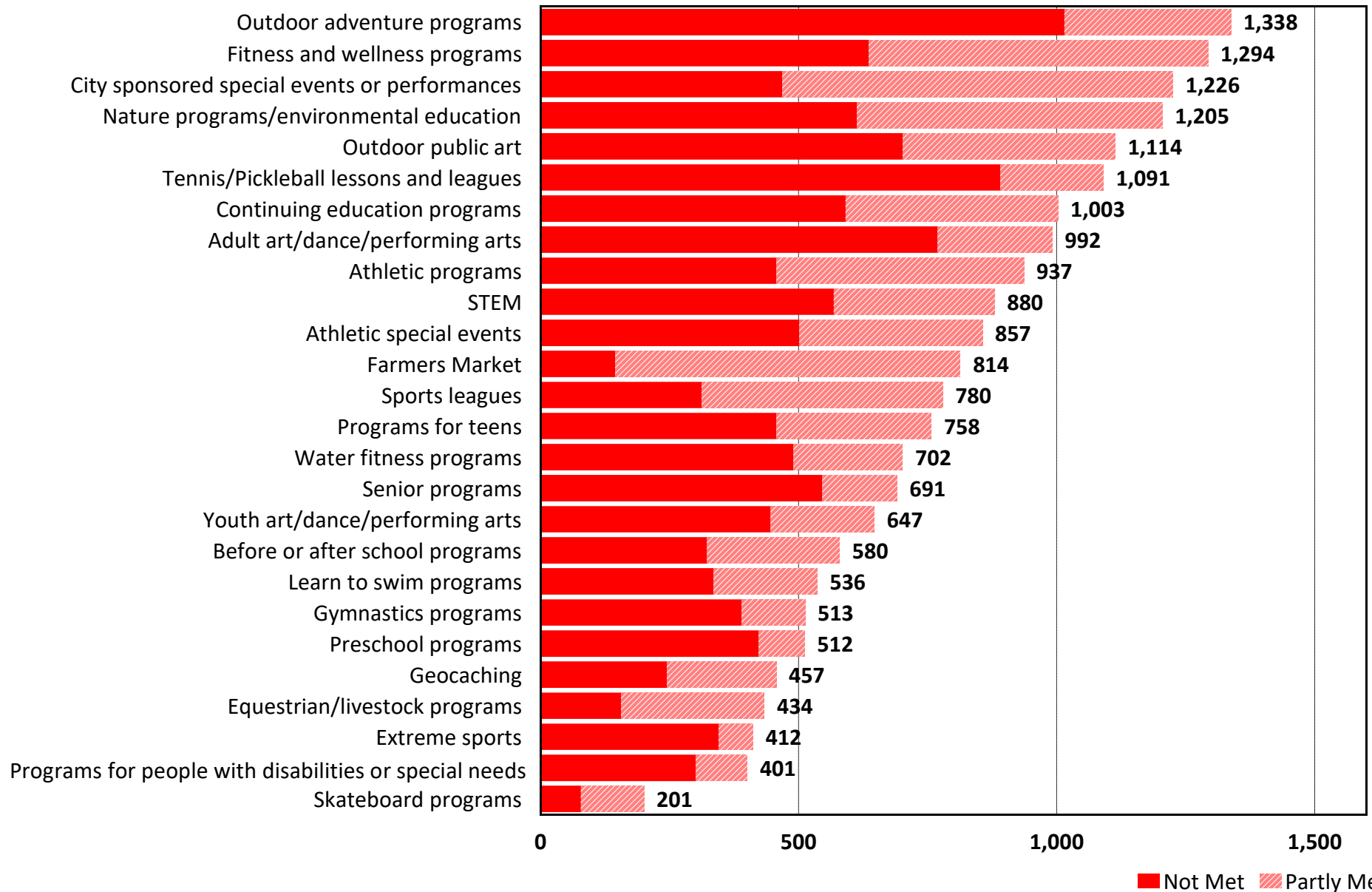
Q10c. Please indicate how well your needs are met for programs/activities

by percentage of respondents (excluding "no need")



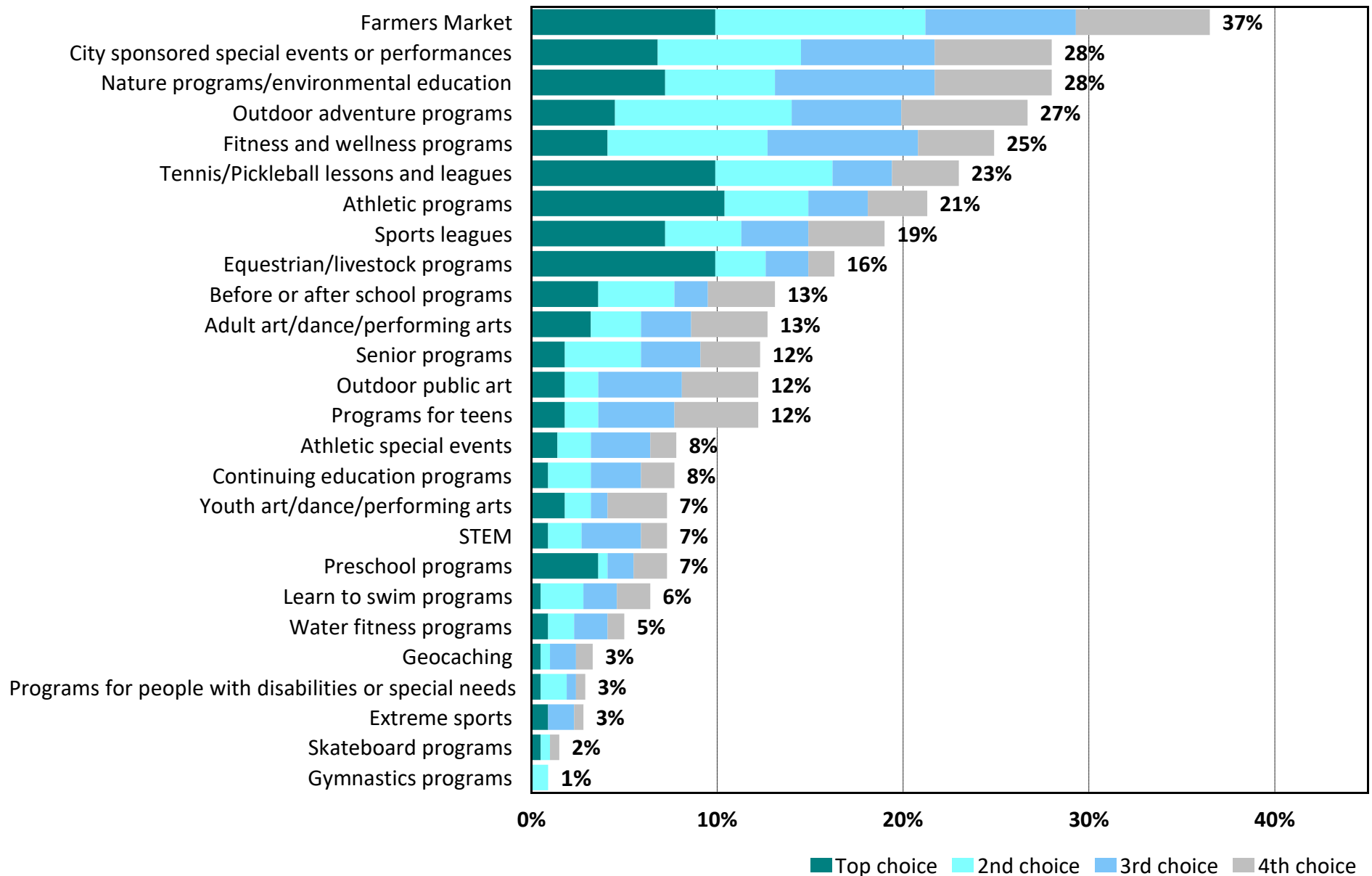
Q10d. Estimated number of households whose program/activity needs are only “partly met” or “not met”

by number of households with need based on an estimated 2,475 households



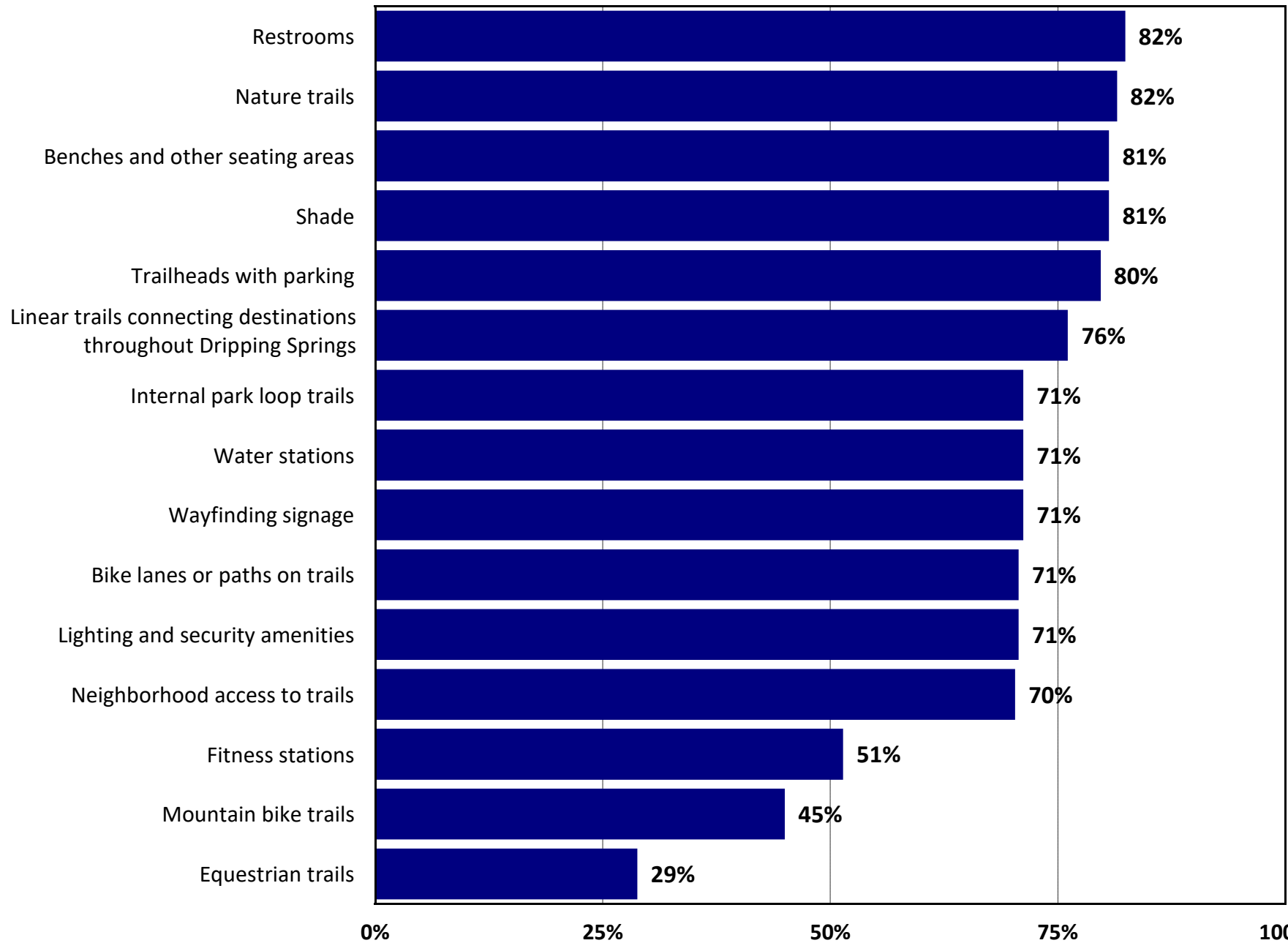
Q11. Which four of the programs/activities do you think are most important to you/your household?

by percentage of respondents who selected the items as one of their top four choices



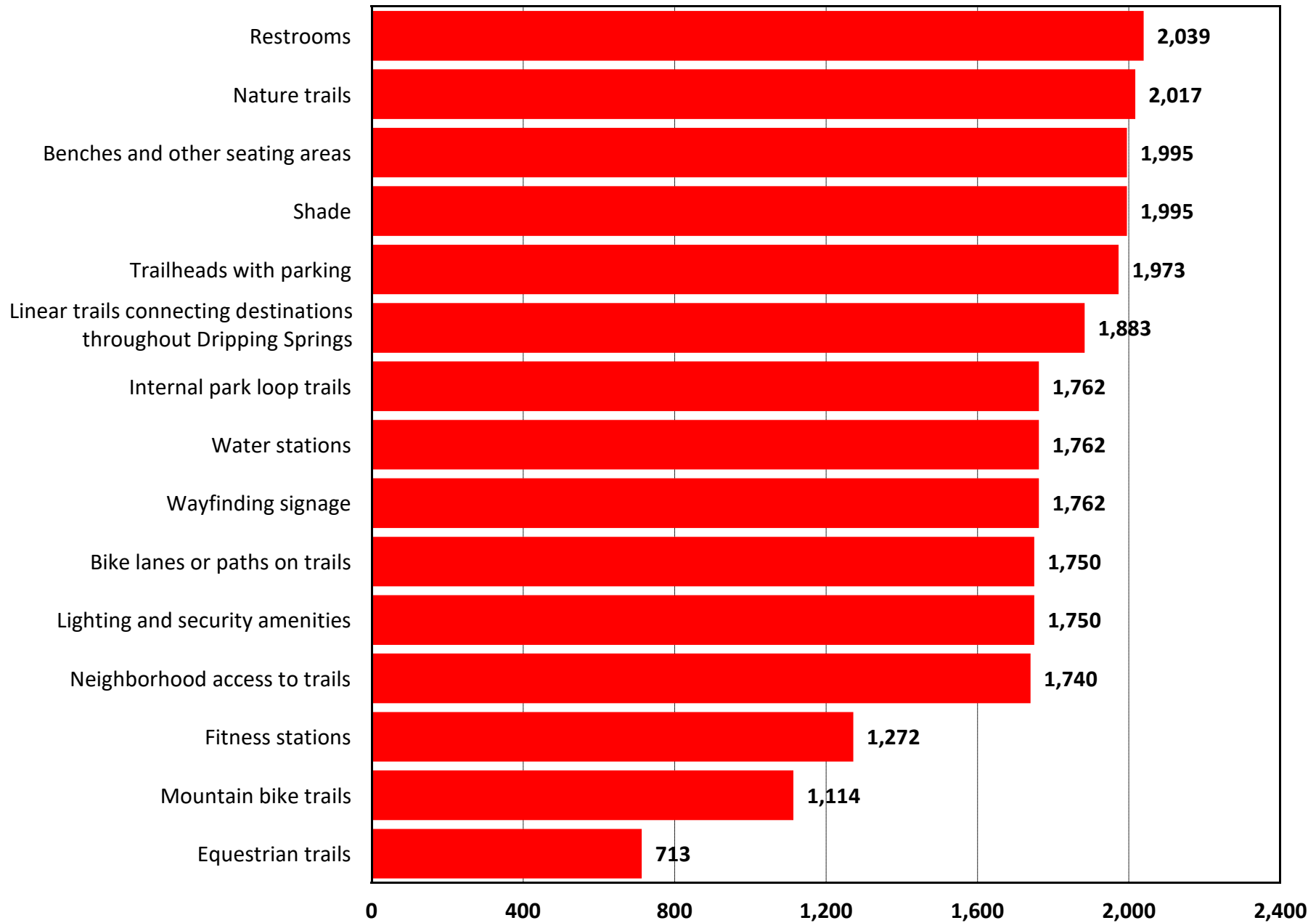
Q12. Trail Features

by percentage of respondents who indicated need



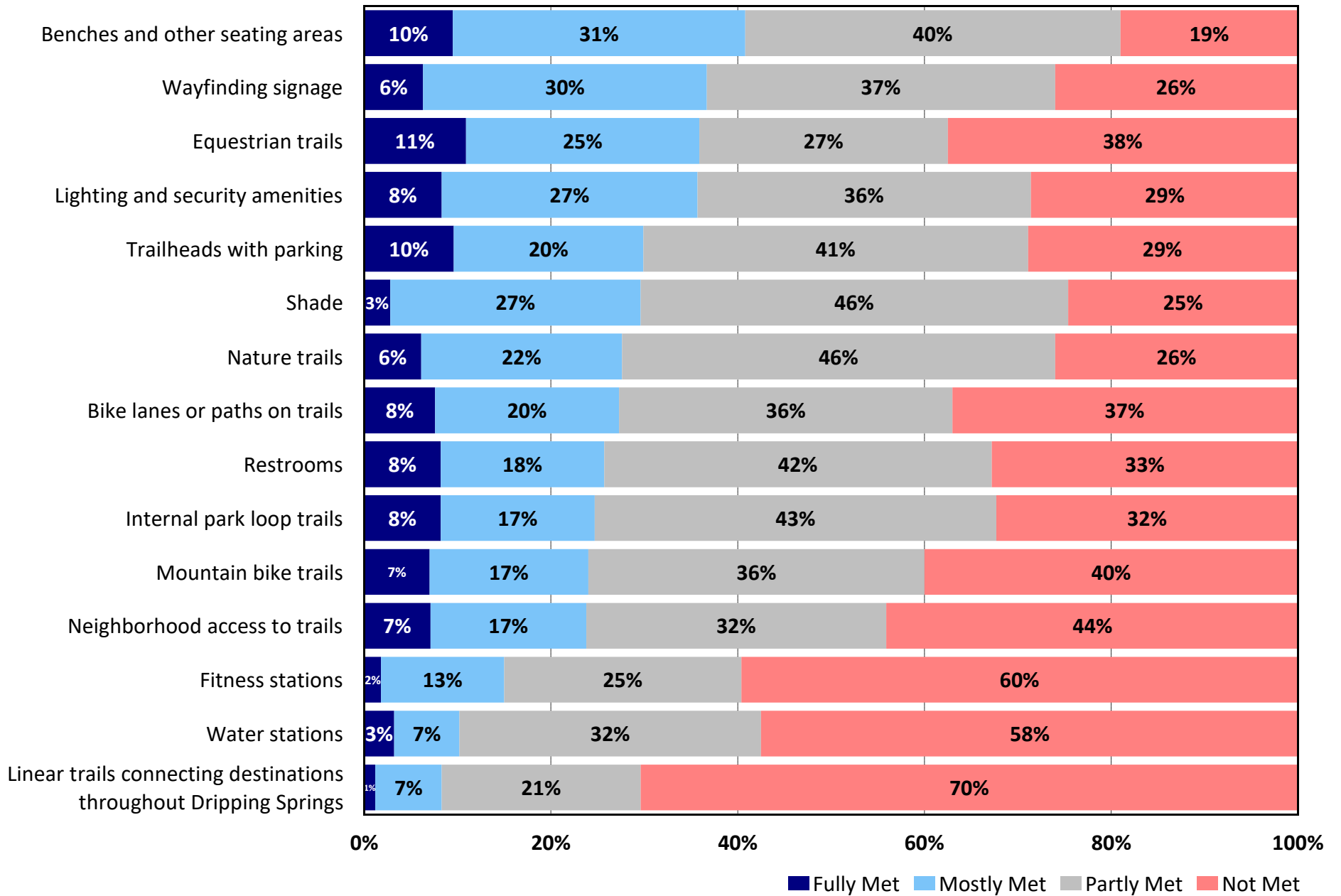
Q12b. Estimated number of households who have a need for trail features

by number of households based on an estimated 2,475 households



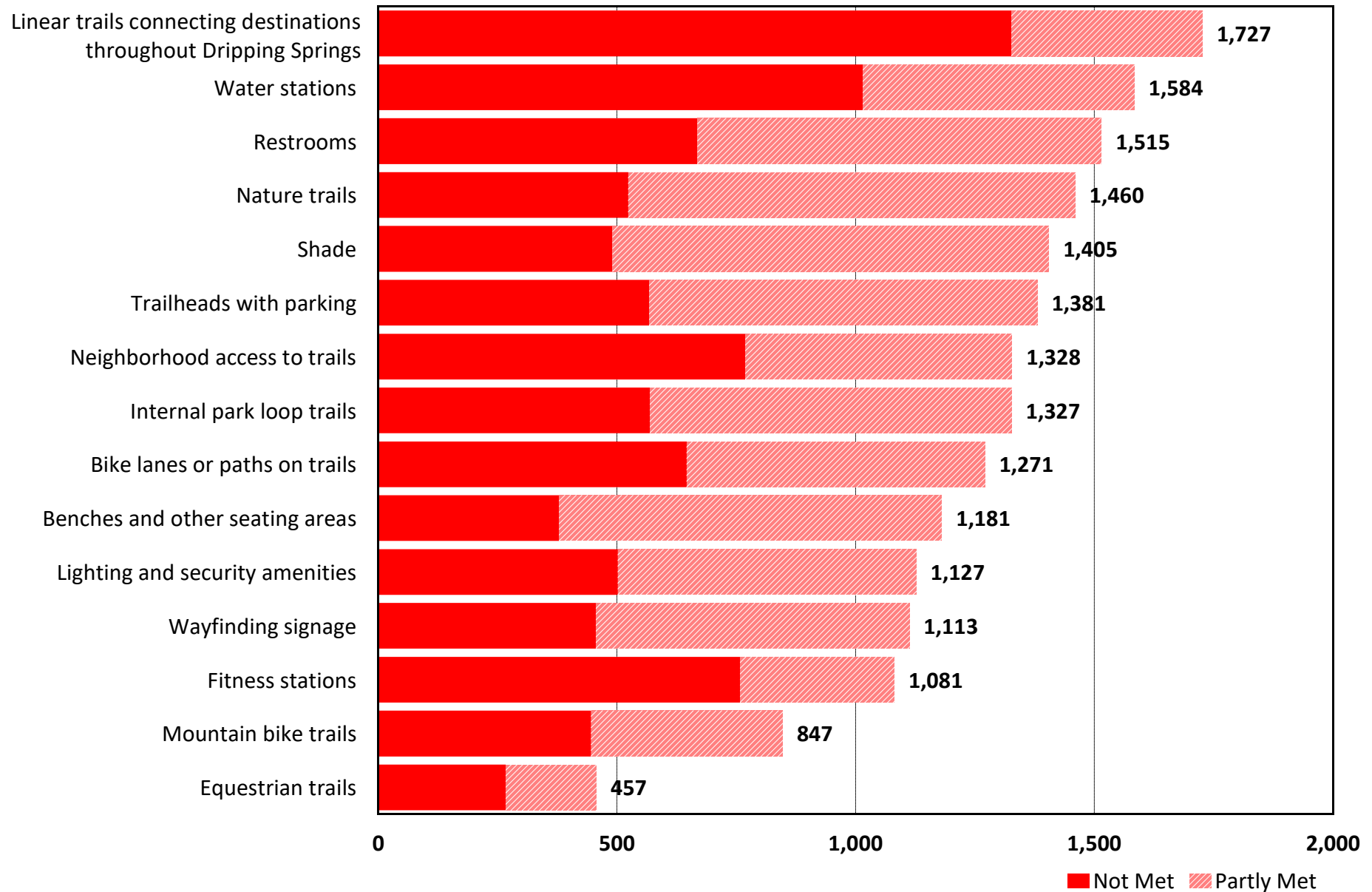
Q12c. Please indicate how well your needs are met for trail features

by percentage of respondents (excluding "no need")



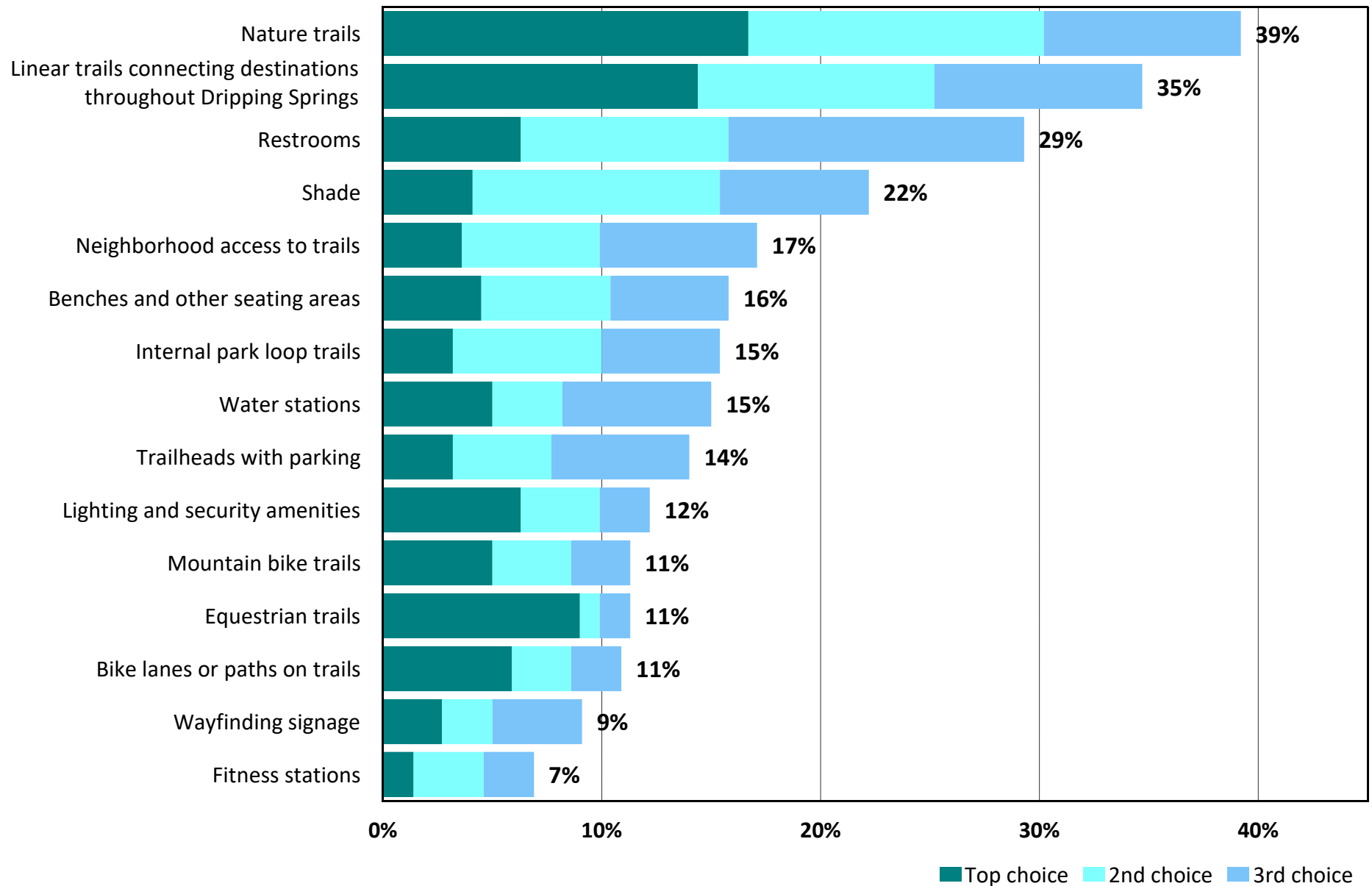
Q12d. Estimated number of households whose trail feature needs are only “partly met” or “not met”

by number of households with need based on an estimated 2,475 households



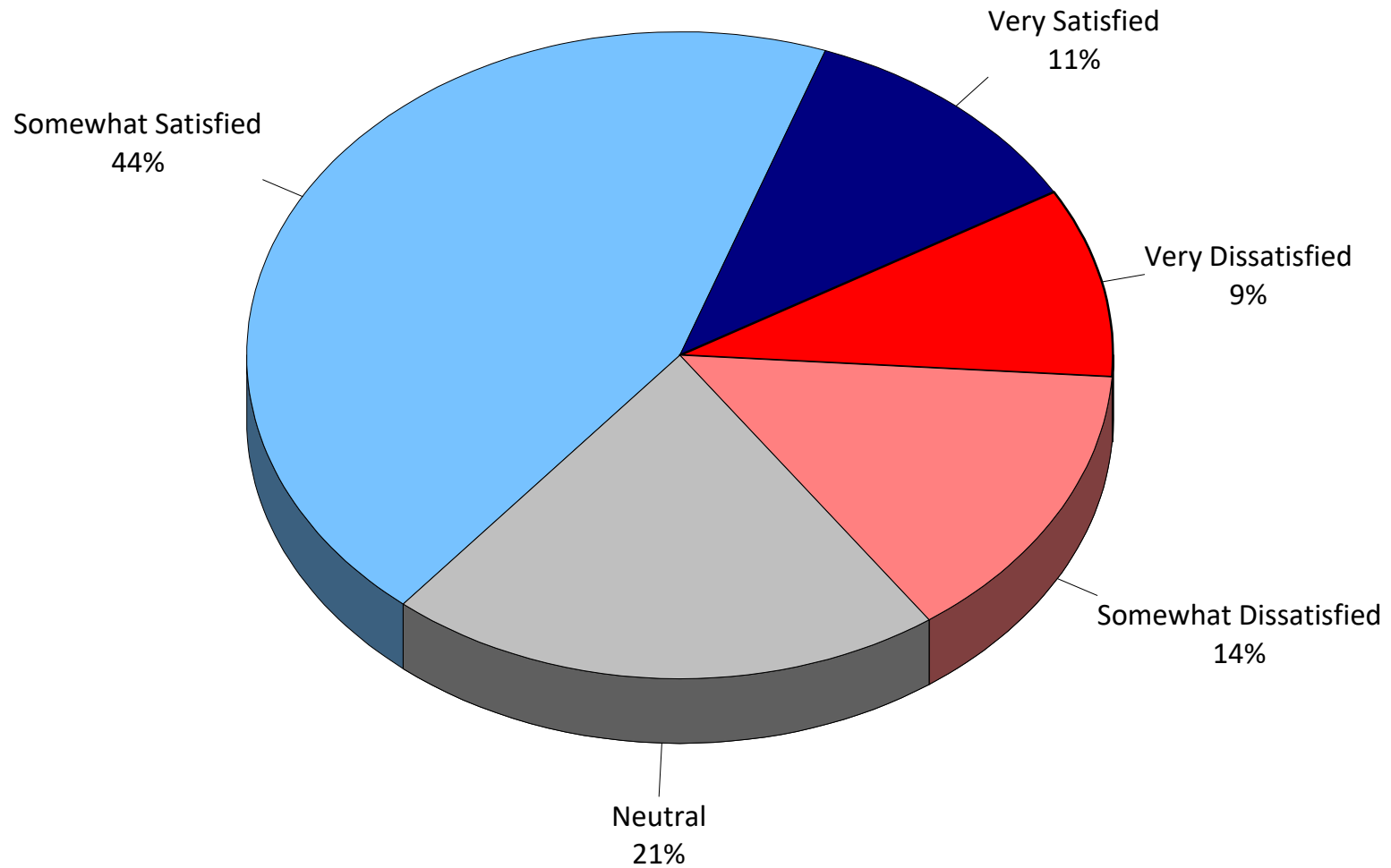
Q13. Which three of the trail features do you think are most important to you/your household?

by percentage of respondents who selected the items as one of their top four choices



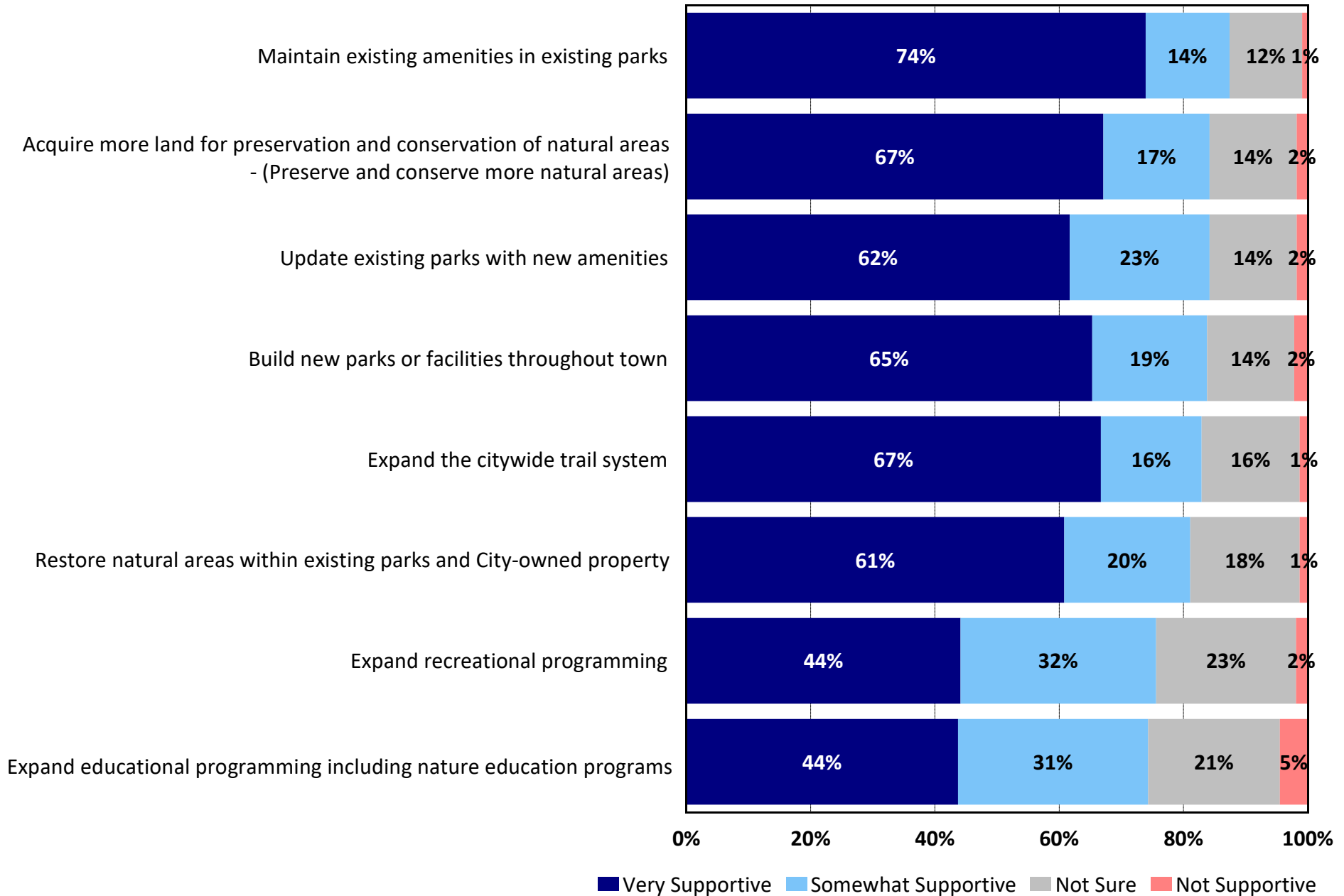
Q14. Satisfaction with Overall Value Received from the City of Dripping Springs Parks and Recreation Department

by percentage of respondents(excluding “not provided”)



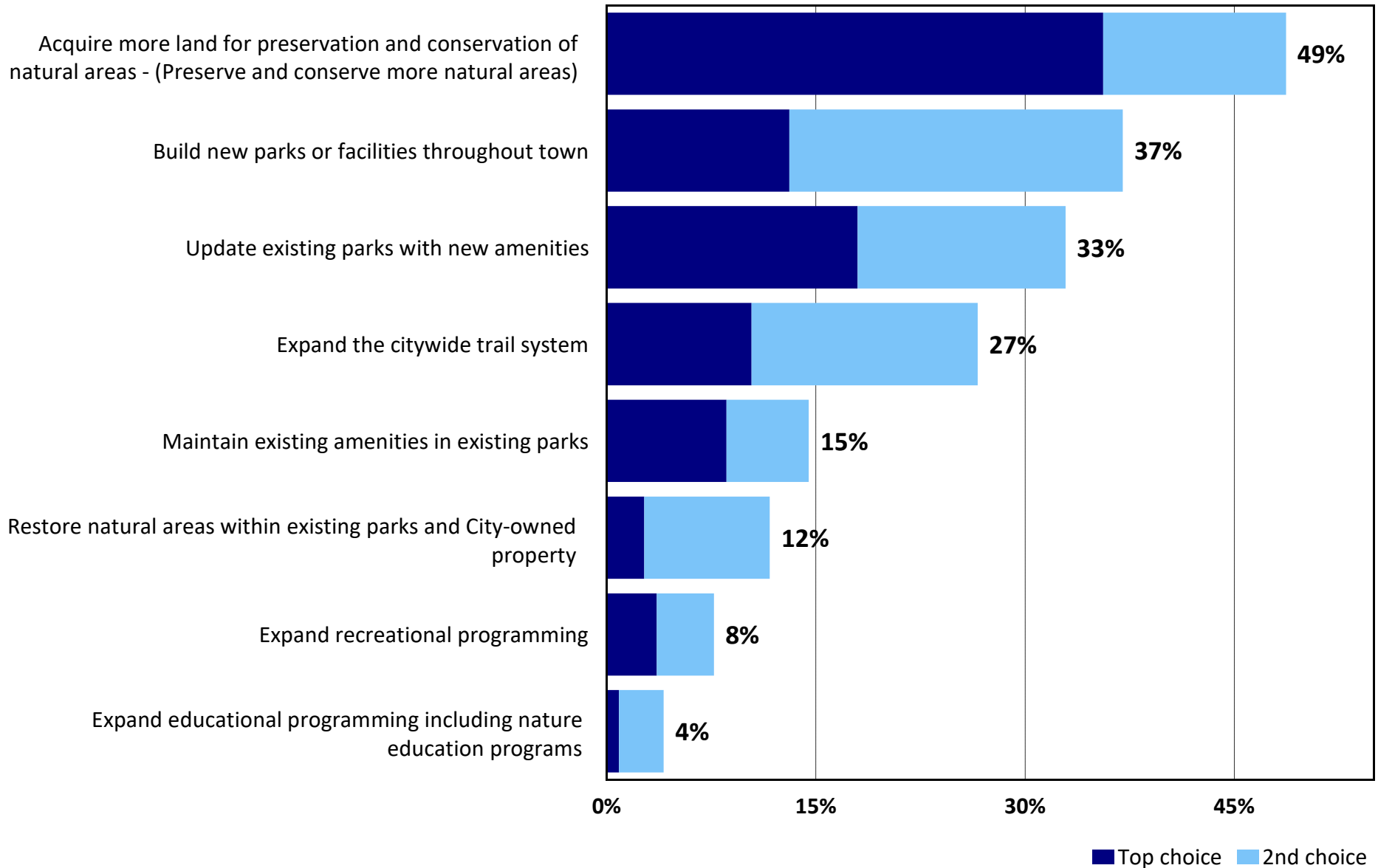
Q15. Support for Improvements to Parks and Recreation

by percentage of respondents



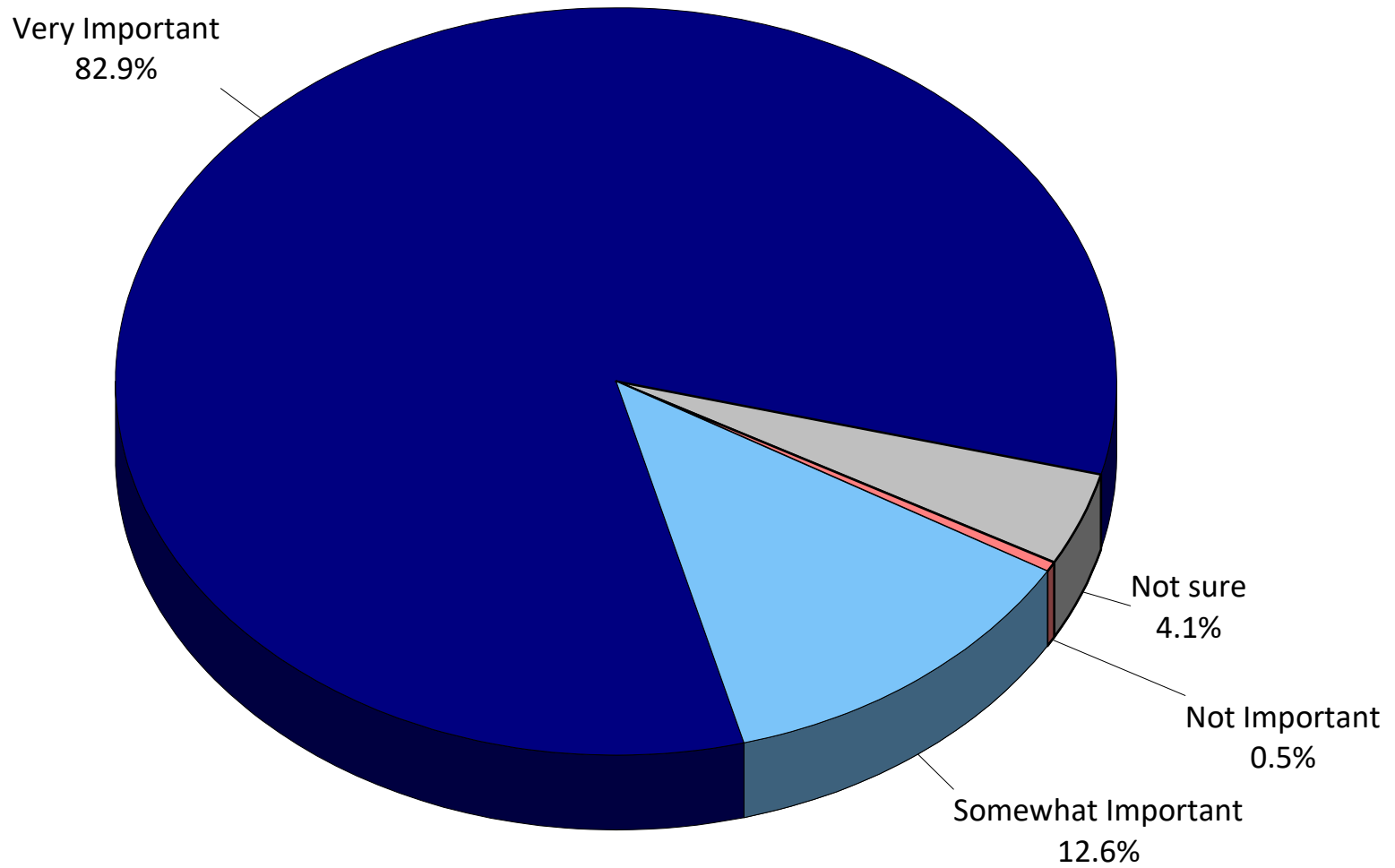
Q16. Which TWO improvements from the list in Question 15 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household?

by percentage of respondents who selected the items as one of their top two choices



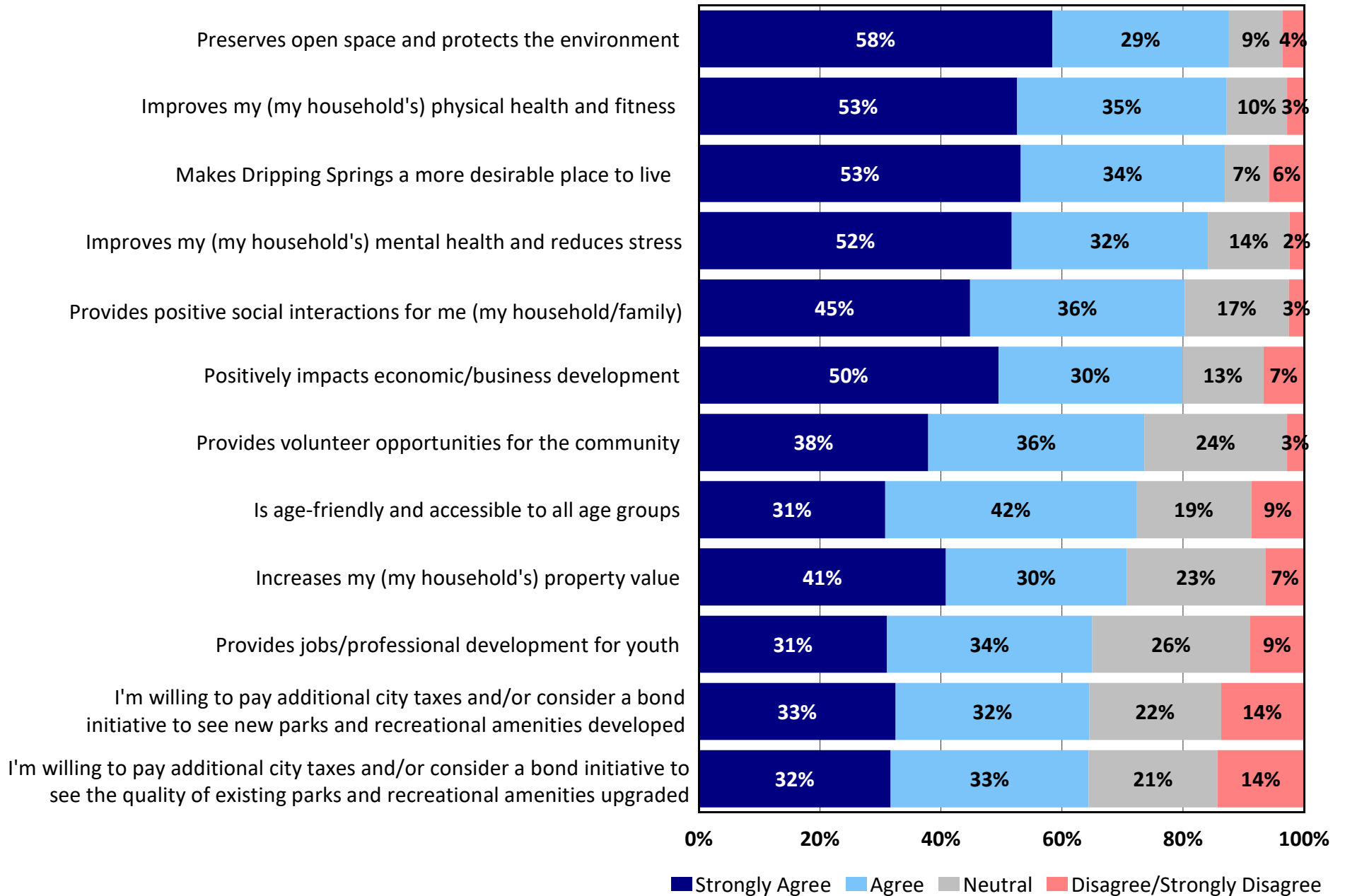
Q17. How important do you feel it is for the City of Dripping Springs to provide high quality parks, recreation facilities and programs?

by percentage of respondents (excluding "not provided")



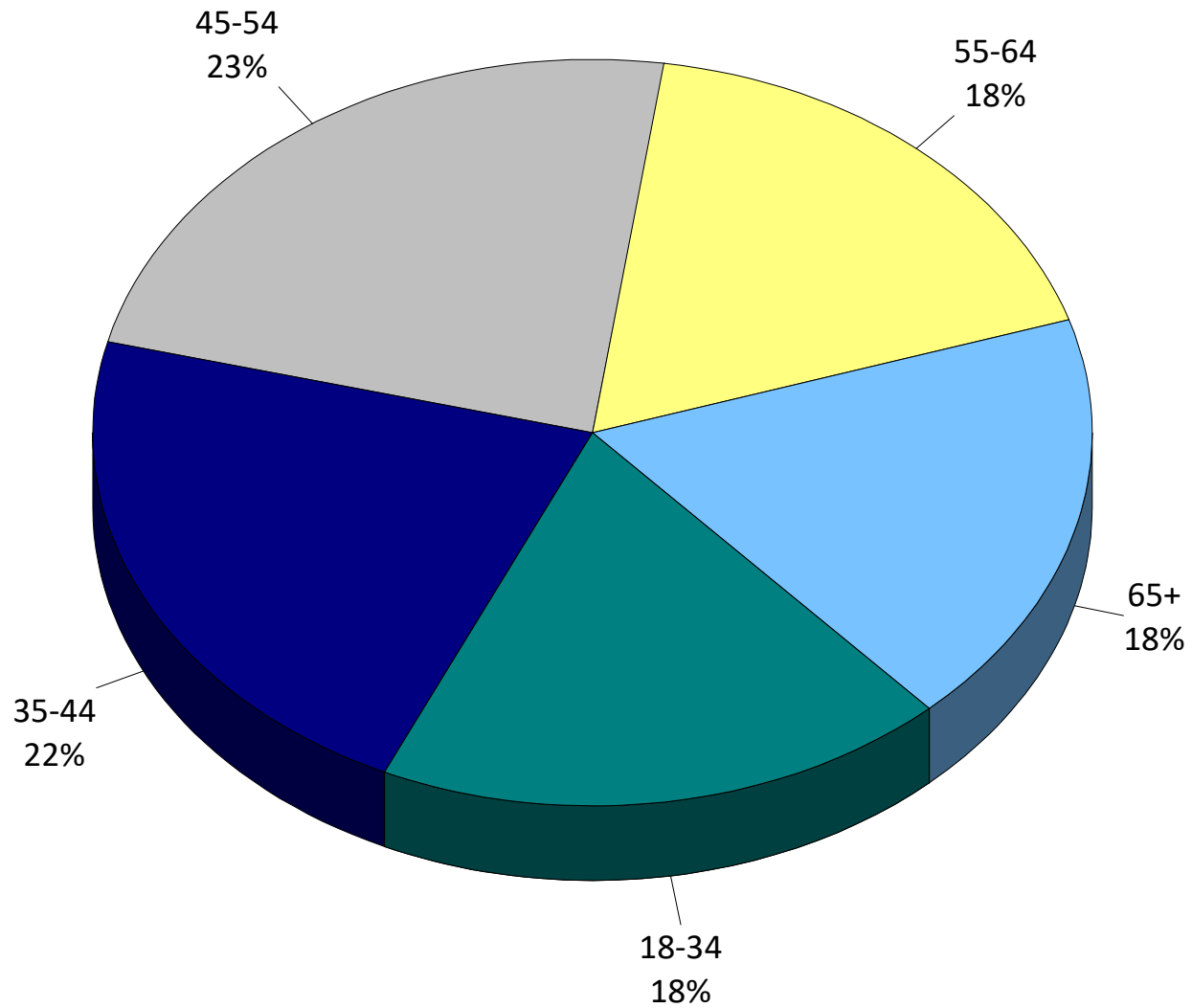
Q18. Benefits of Parks, Facilities, Programs, and Events

by percentage of respondents



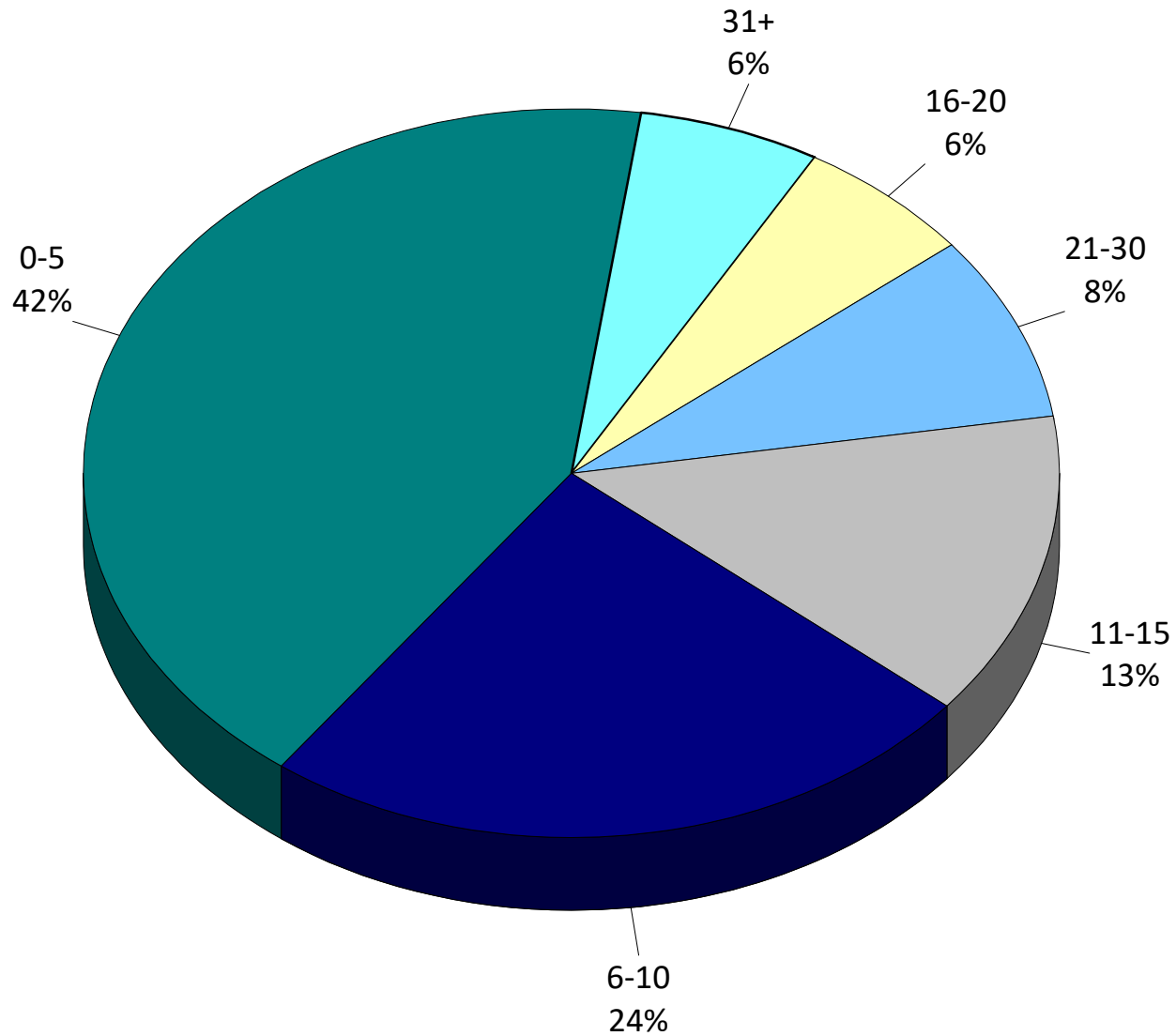
Q19. Your Age

by percentage of respondents (excluding "not provided")



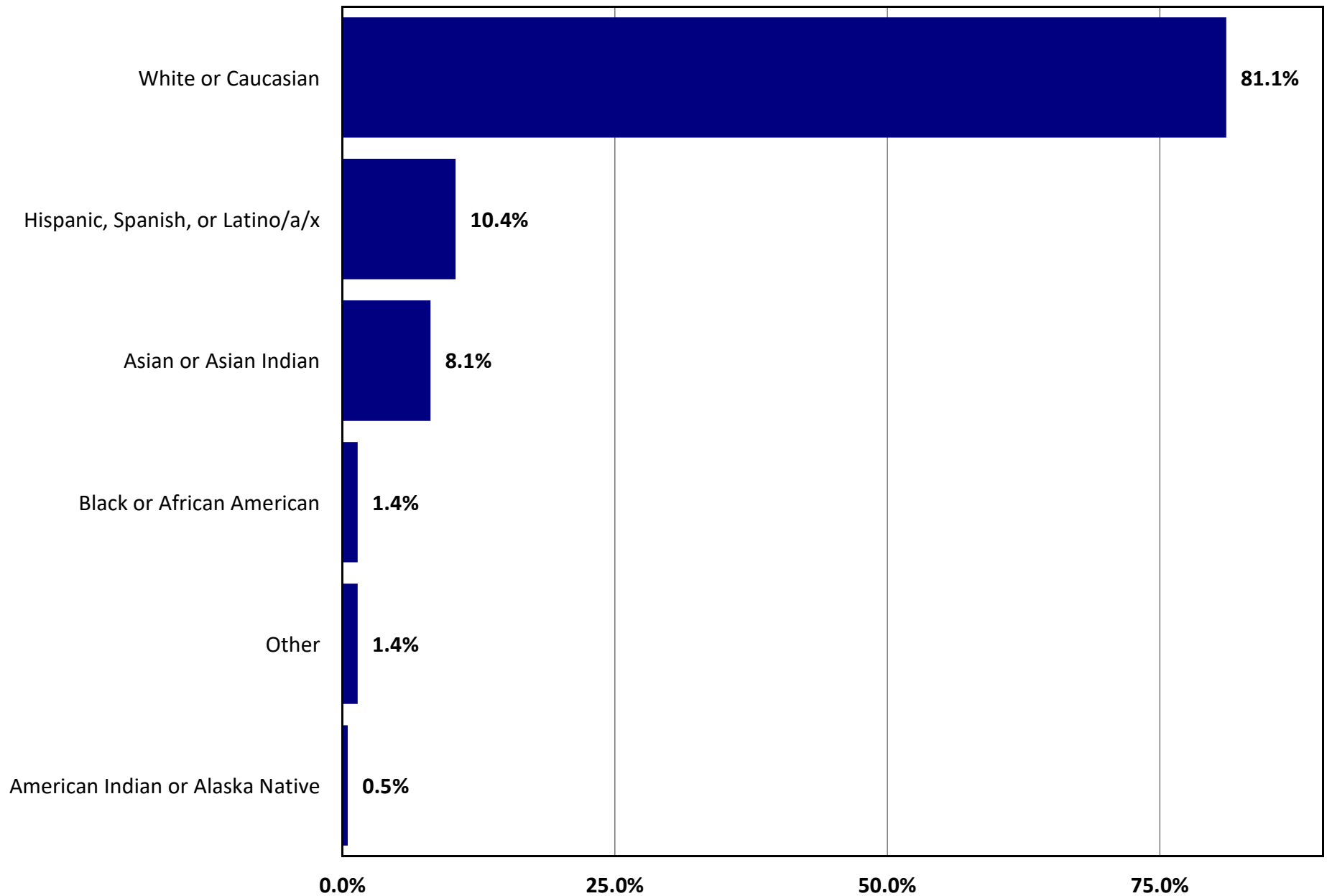
Q20. How many years have you lived in the Dripping Springs area?

by percentage of respondents (excluding "not provided")



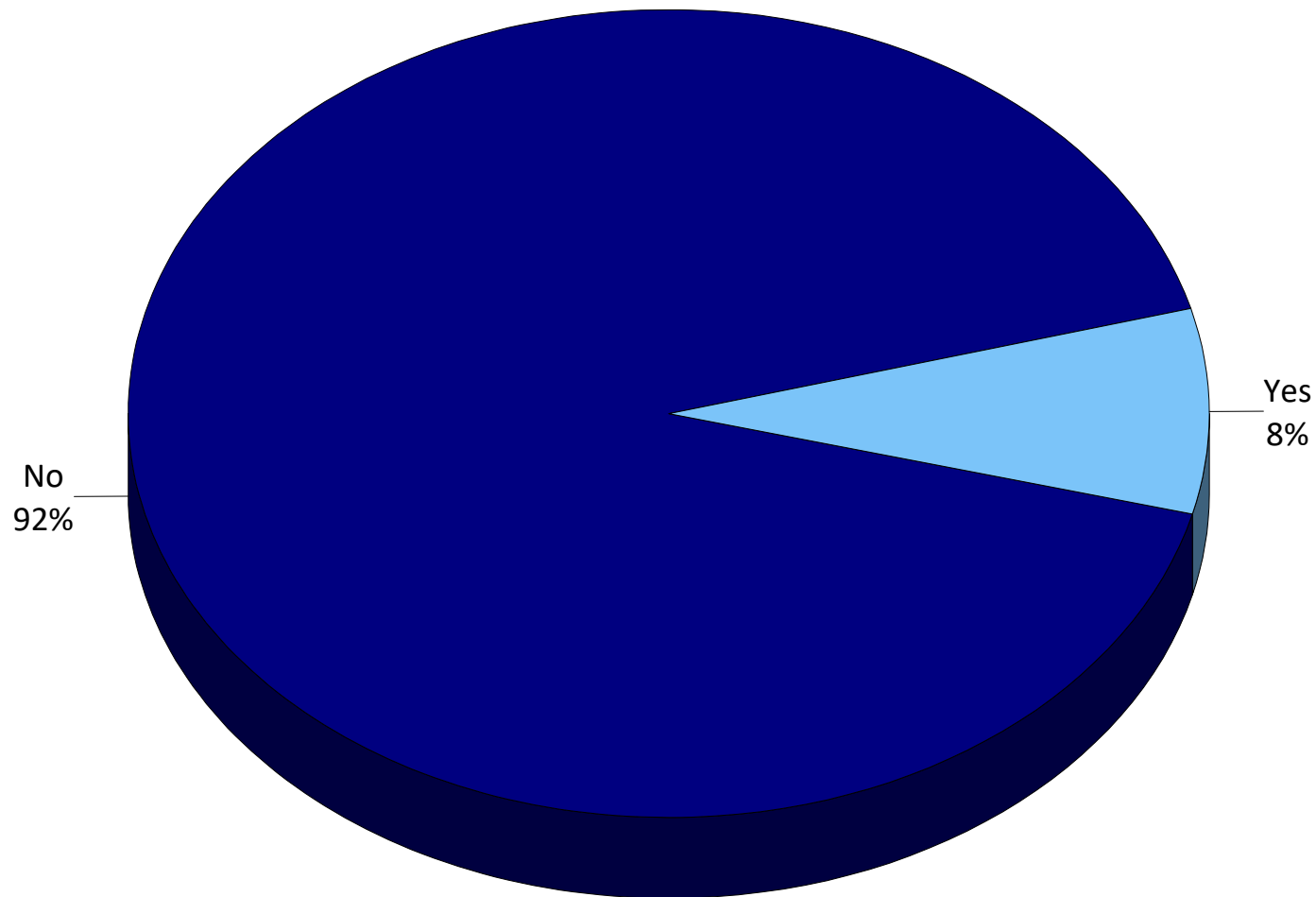
Q21. Which of the following best describes your race/ethnicity?

by percentage of respondents



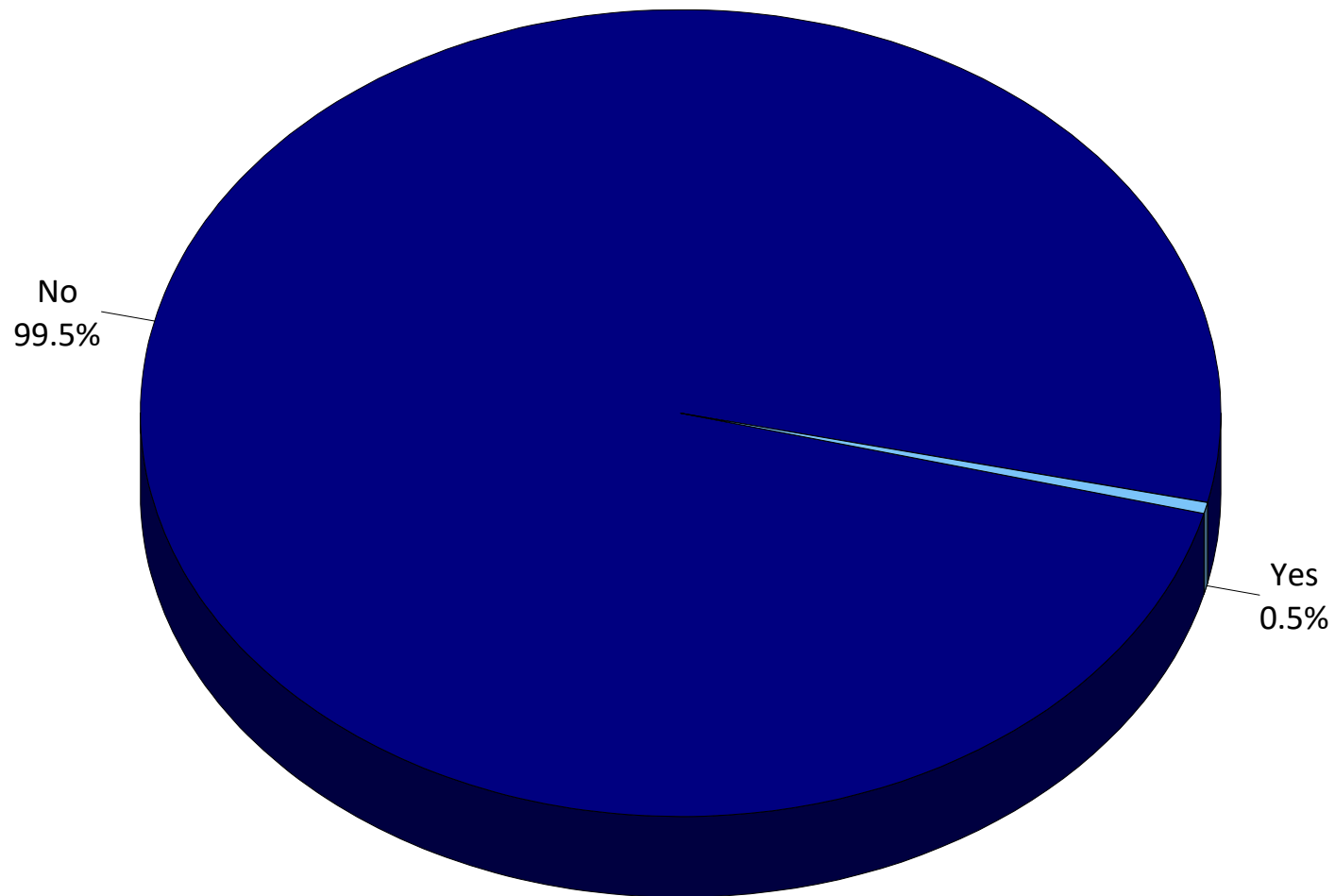
Q22. Do you or anybody in your family have a disability recognized by the American Disability Act (ADA)?

by percentage of respondents (excluding "not provided")



Q23. Are you currently a City of Dripping Springs employee or elected official?

by percentage of respondents (excluding "not provided")



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**Priority Investment
Rating**

Priority Investment Rating

Dripping Springs, TX

The **Priority Investment Rating (PIR)** was developed by ETC Institute to provide governments with an objective tool for evaluating the priority that should be placed on parks and recreation investments. The Priority Investment Rating was developed by ETC Institute to identify the facilities and programs residents think should receive the highest priority for investment. The priority investment rating reflects the importance residents place on items (sum of top 3 choices) and the unmet needs (needs that are only being partly or not met) for each facility/program relative to the facility/program that rated the highest overall. Since decisions related to future investments should consider both the level of unmet need and the importance of facilities and programs, the PIR weights each of these components equally.

The PIR reflects the sum of the Unmet Needs Rating and the Importance Rating as shown in the equation below:

$$\text{PIR} = \text{UNR} + \text{IR}$$

For example, if the Unmet Needs Rating for playgrounds is 26.5 (out of 100) and the Importance Rating for playgrounds is 52 (out of 100), the Priority Investment Rating for playgrounds would be 78.5 (out of 200).

How to Analyze the Charts:

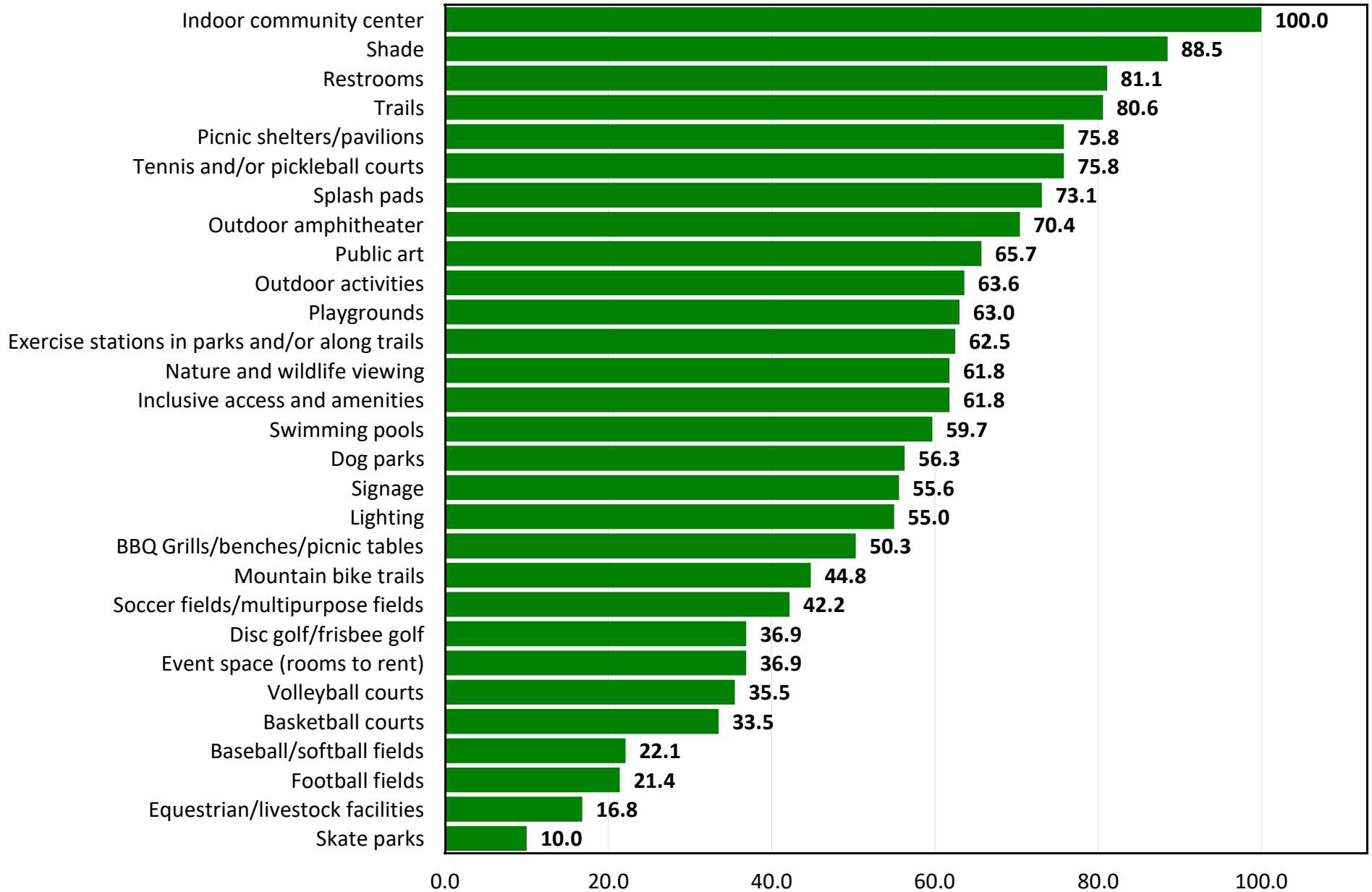
- **High Priority Areas** are those with a PIR of at least 100. A rating of 100 or above generally indicates there is a relatively high level of unmet need and residents generally think it is important to fund improvements in these areas. Improvements in this area are likely to have a positive impact on the greatest number of households.
- **Medium Priority Areas** are those with a PIR of 50-99. A rating in this range generally indicates there is a medium to high level of unmet need or a significant percentage of residents generally think it is important to fund improvements in these areas.
- **Low Priority Areas** are those with a PIR below 50. A rating in this range generally indicates there is a relatively low level of unmet need and residents do not think it is important to fund improvements in these areas. Improvements may be warranted if the needs of very specialized populations are being targeted.

The following pages show the Unmet Needs Rating, Importance Rating, and Priority Investment Rating for facilities and programs.

Unmet Needs Rating for Facilities/Amenities

the rating for the item with the most unmet need=100

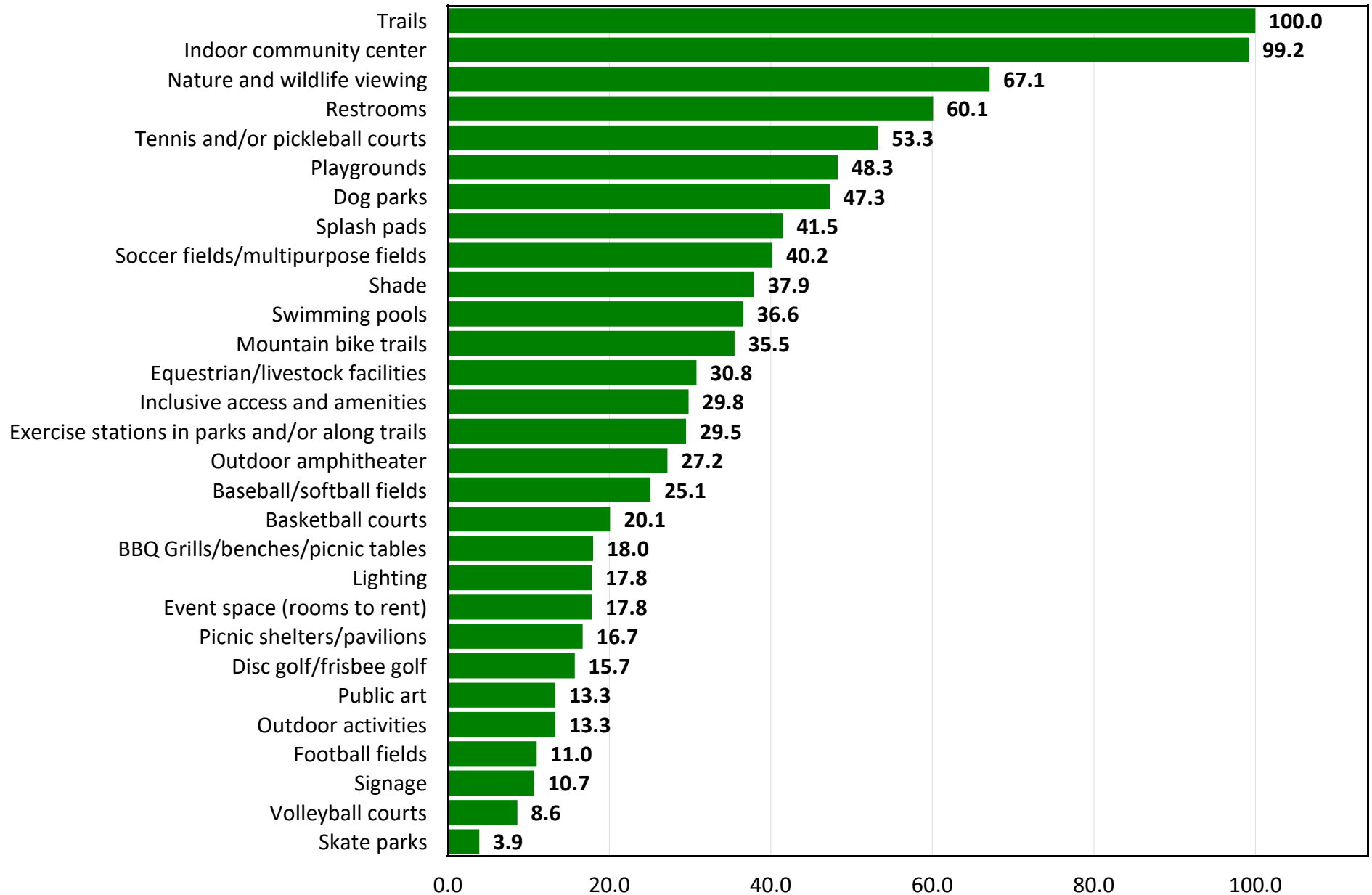
the rating of all other items reflects the relative amount of unmet need for each item compared to the item with the most unmet need



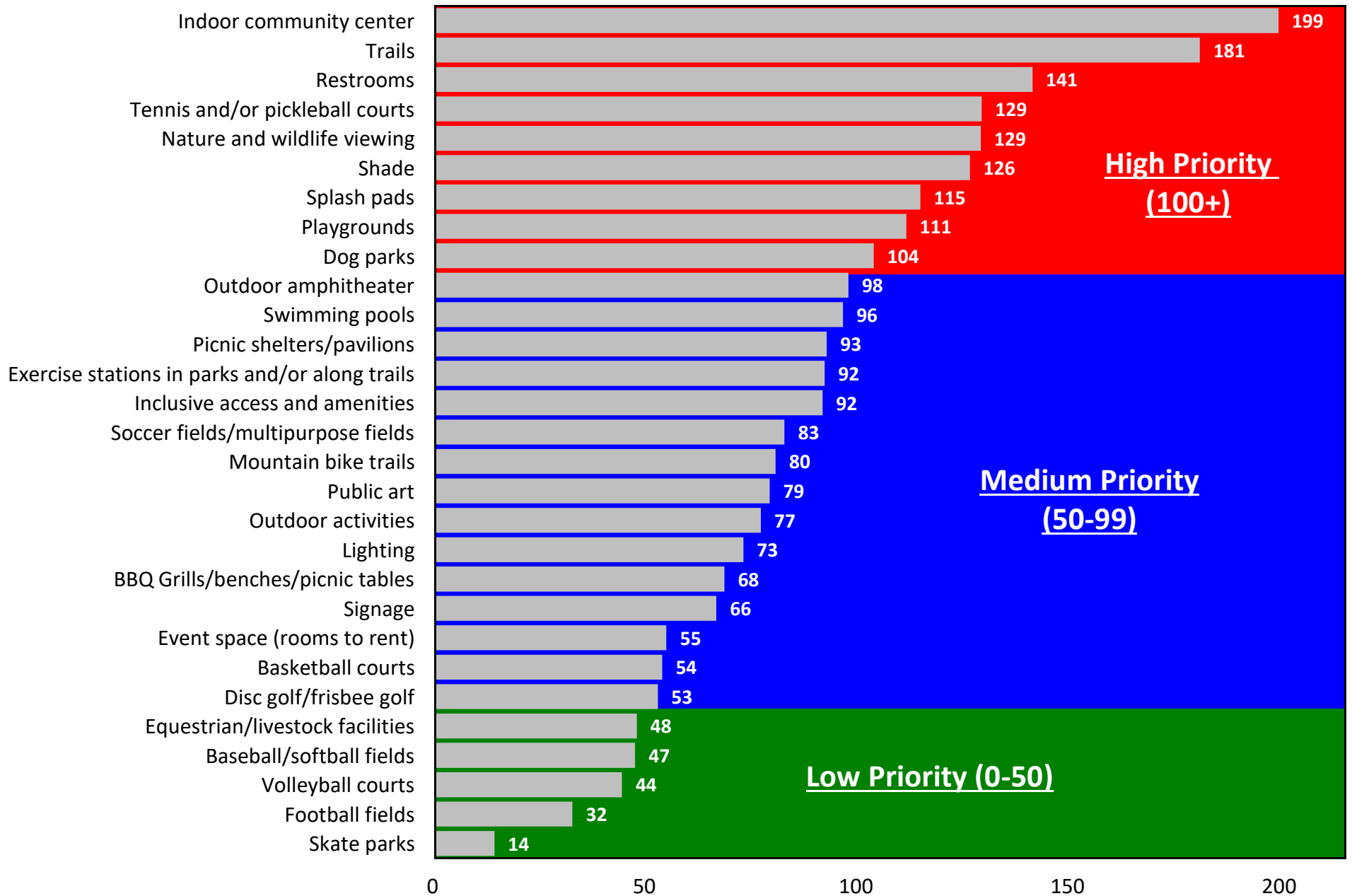
Importance Rating for Facilities/Amenities

the rating for the item rated as the most important=100

the rating of all other items reflects the relative level of importance for each item compared to the item rated as the most important



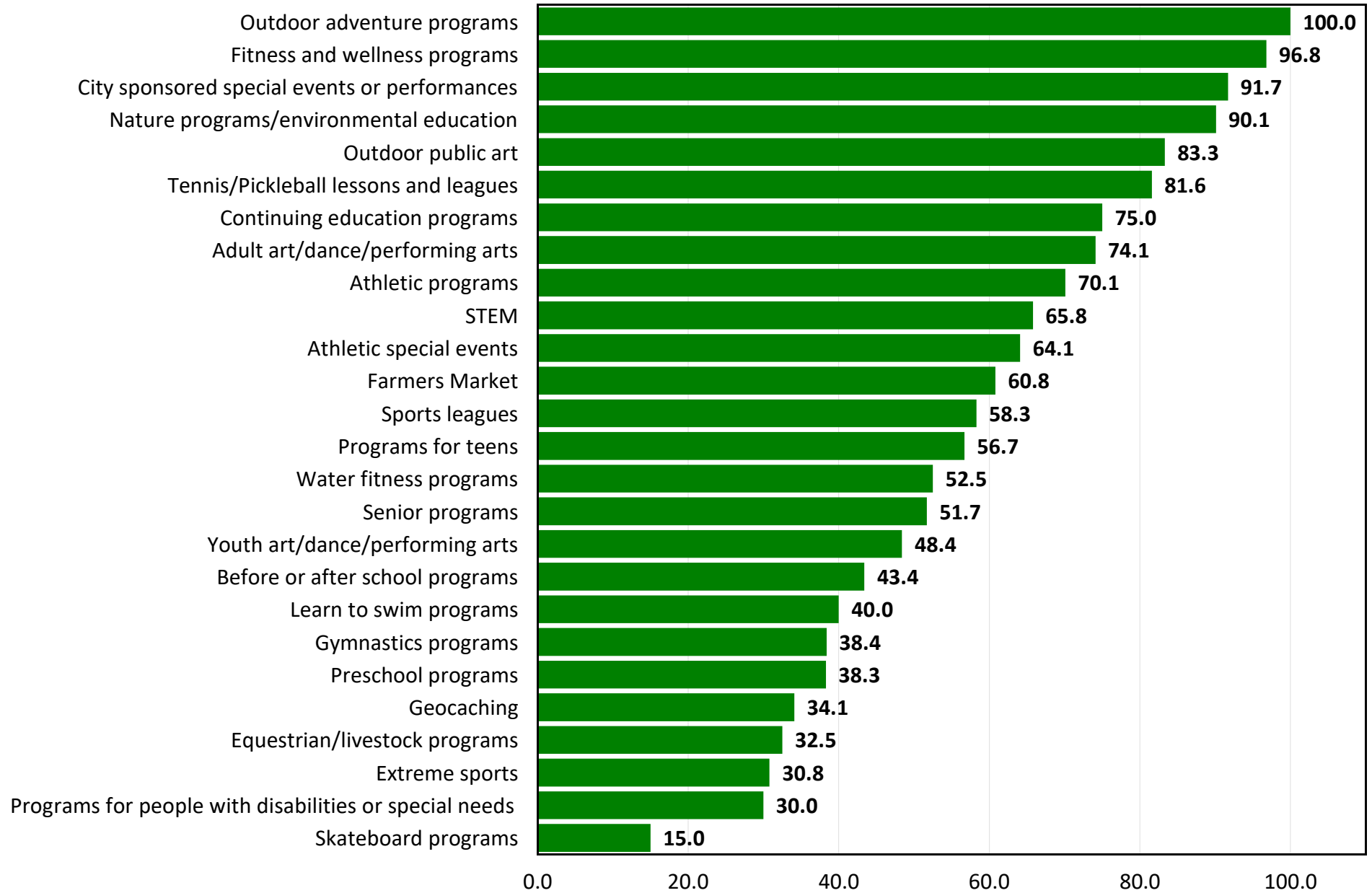
Top Priorities for Investment for Facilities/Amenities Based on Priority Investment Rating



Unmet Needs Rating for Programs

the rating for the item with the most unmet need=100

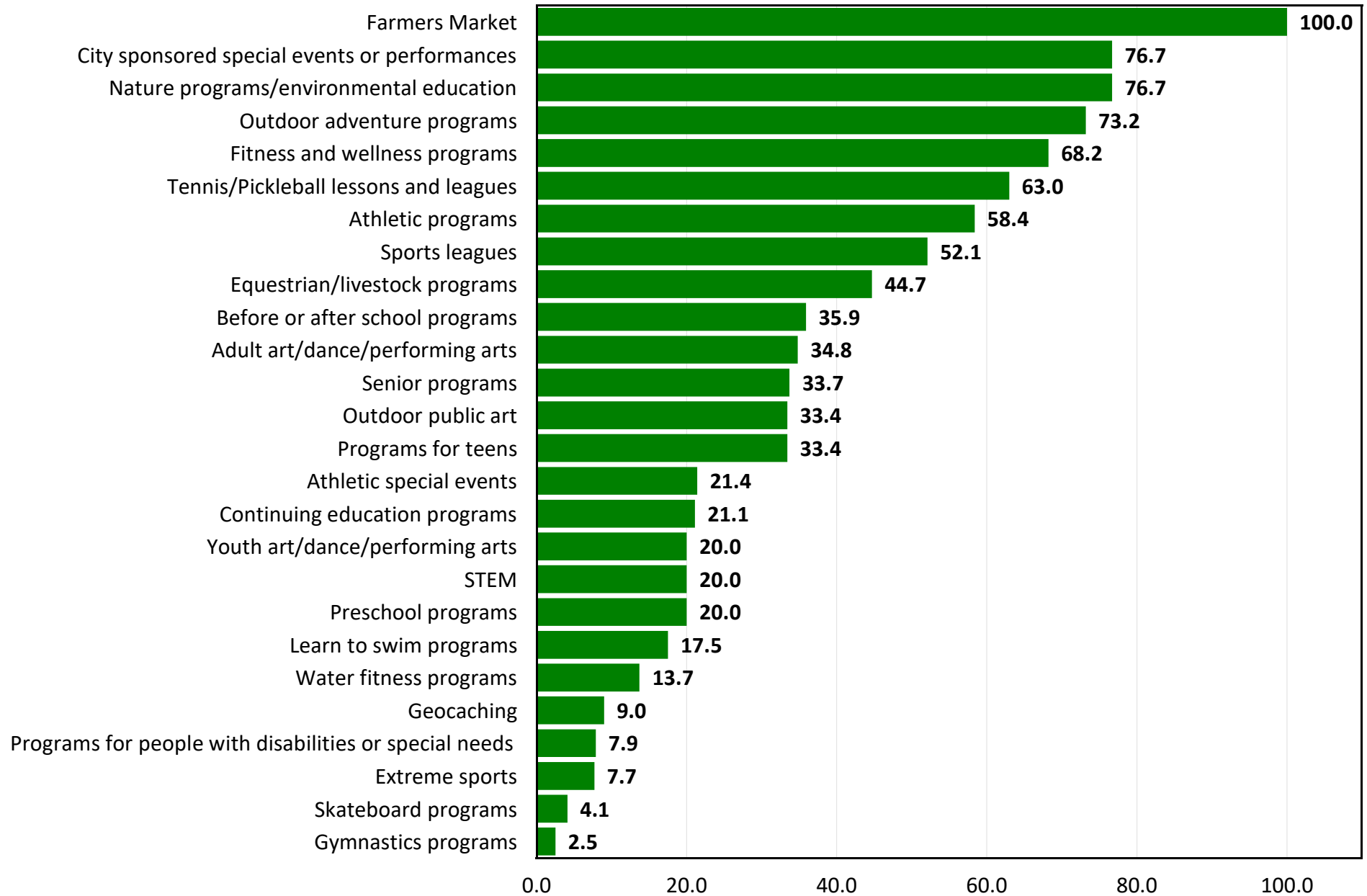
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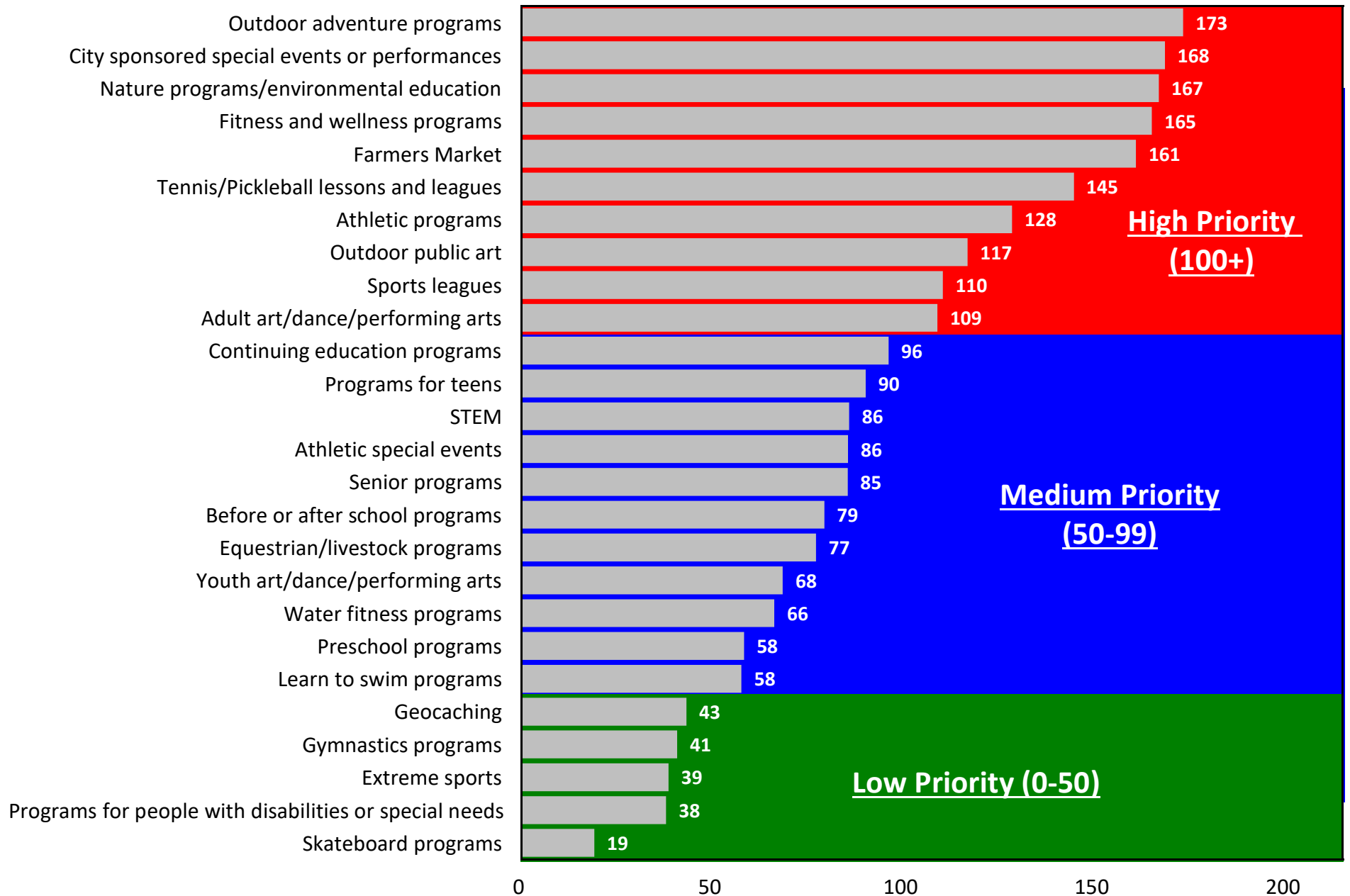
Importance Rating for Programs

the rating for the item rated as the most important=100

the rating of all other items reflects the relative level of importance for each item compared to the item rated as the most important



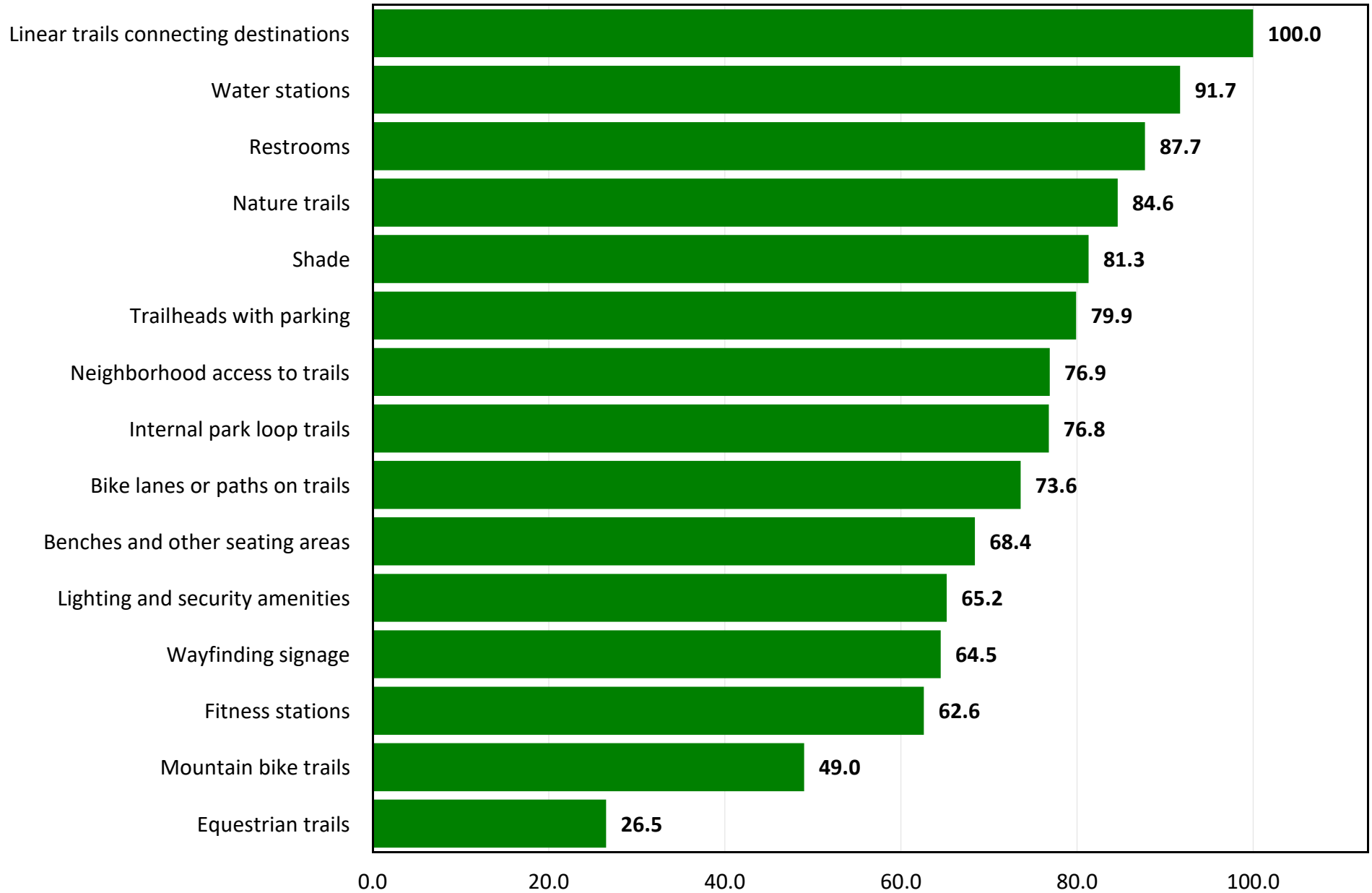
Top Priorities for Investment for Facilities/Amenities Based on Priority Investment Rating



Unmet Needs Rating for Trail Features

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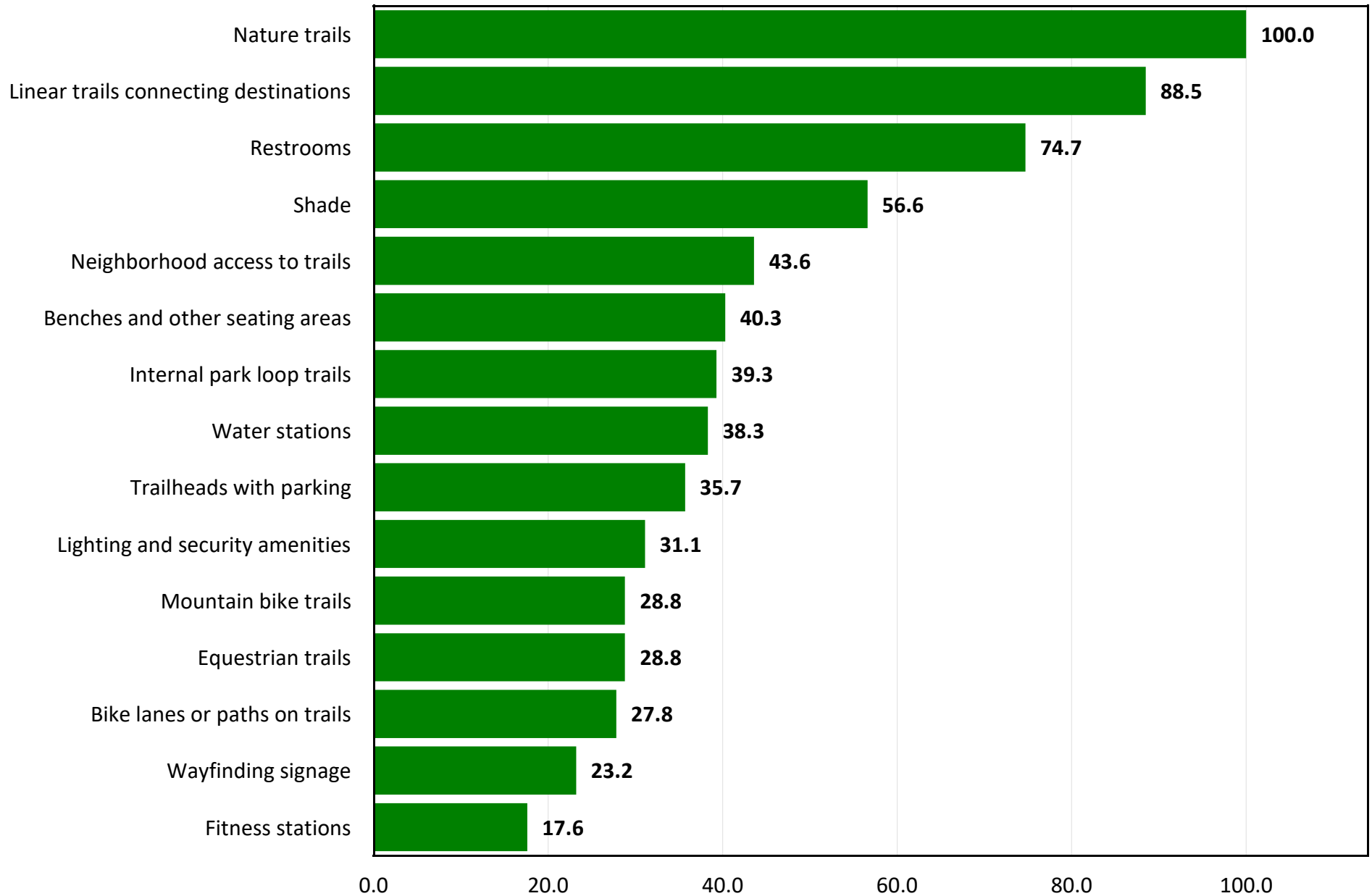
the rating of all other items reflects the relative amount of unmet need for each item compared to the item with the most unmet need



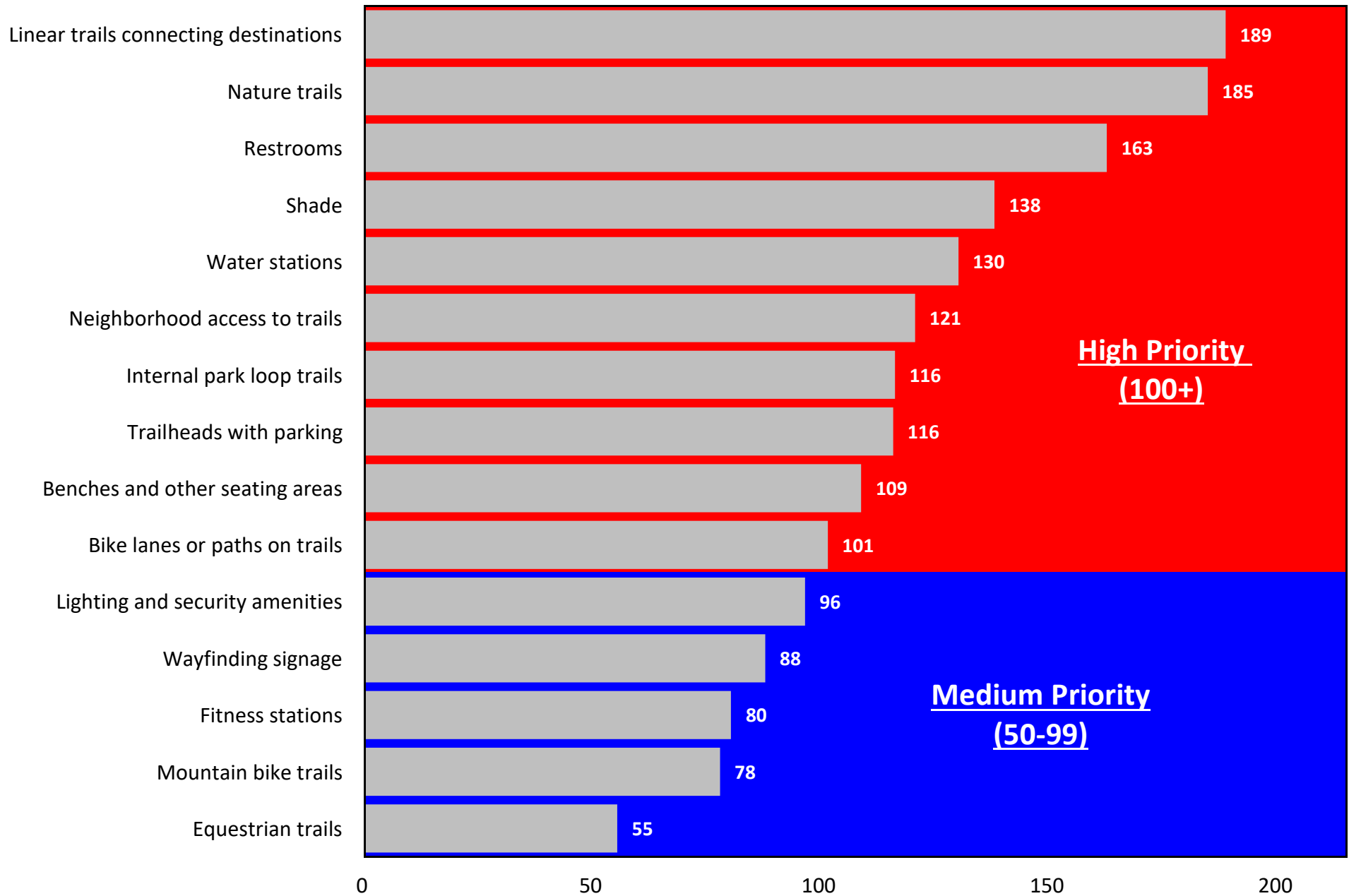
Importance Rating for Trail Features

the rating for the item rated as the most important=100

the rating of all other items reflects the relative level of importance for each item compared to the item rated as the most important



Top Priorities for Investment for Trail Features Based on Priority Investment Rating



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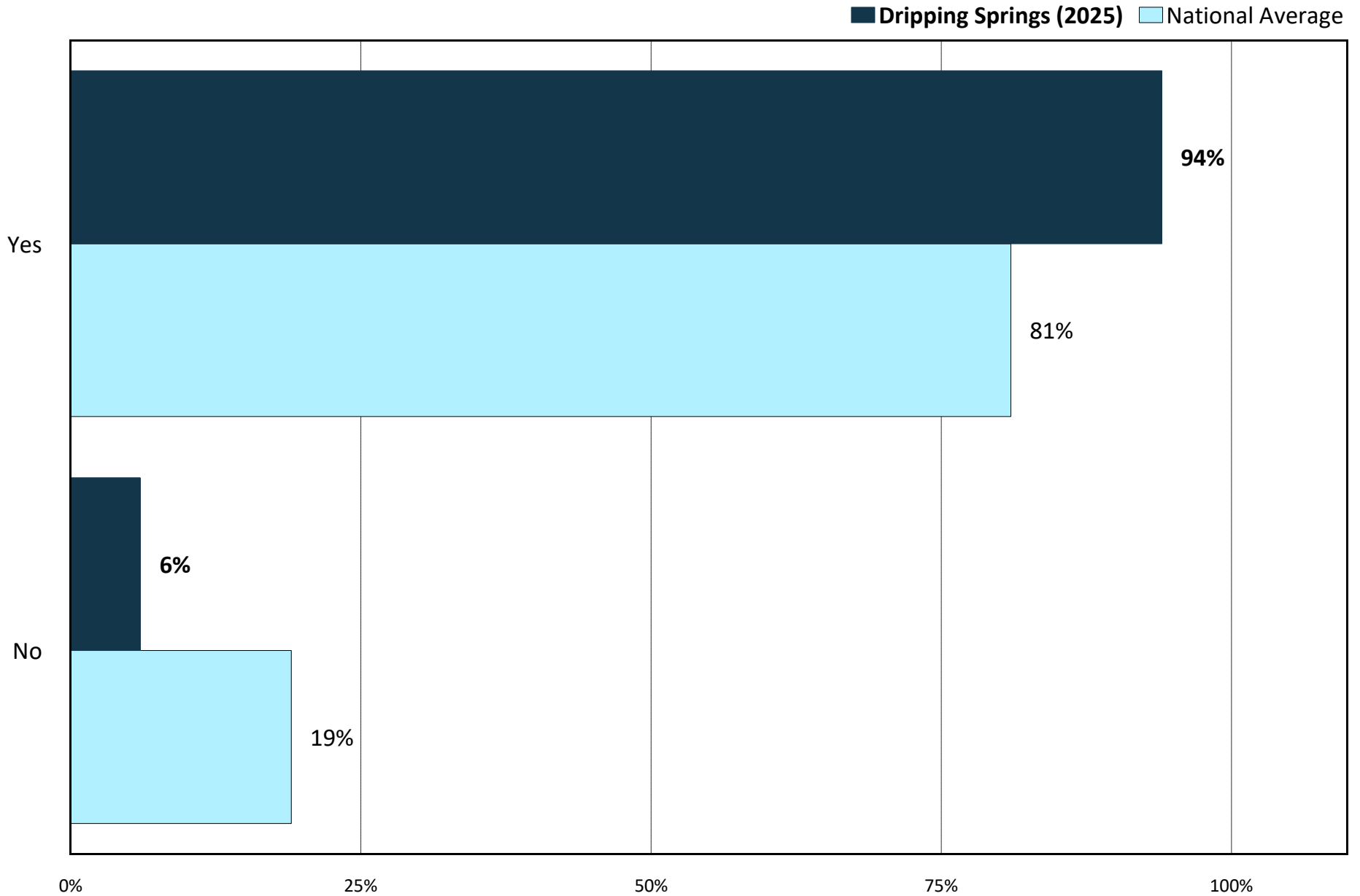
Benchmarks

National Benchmarks

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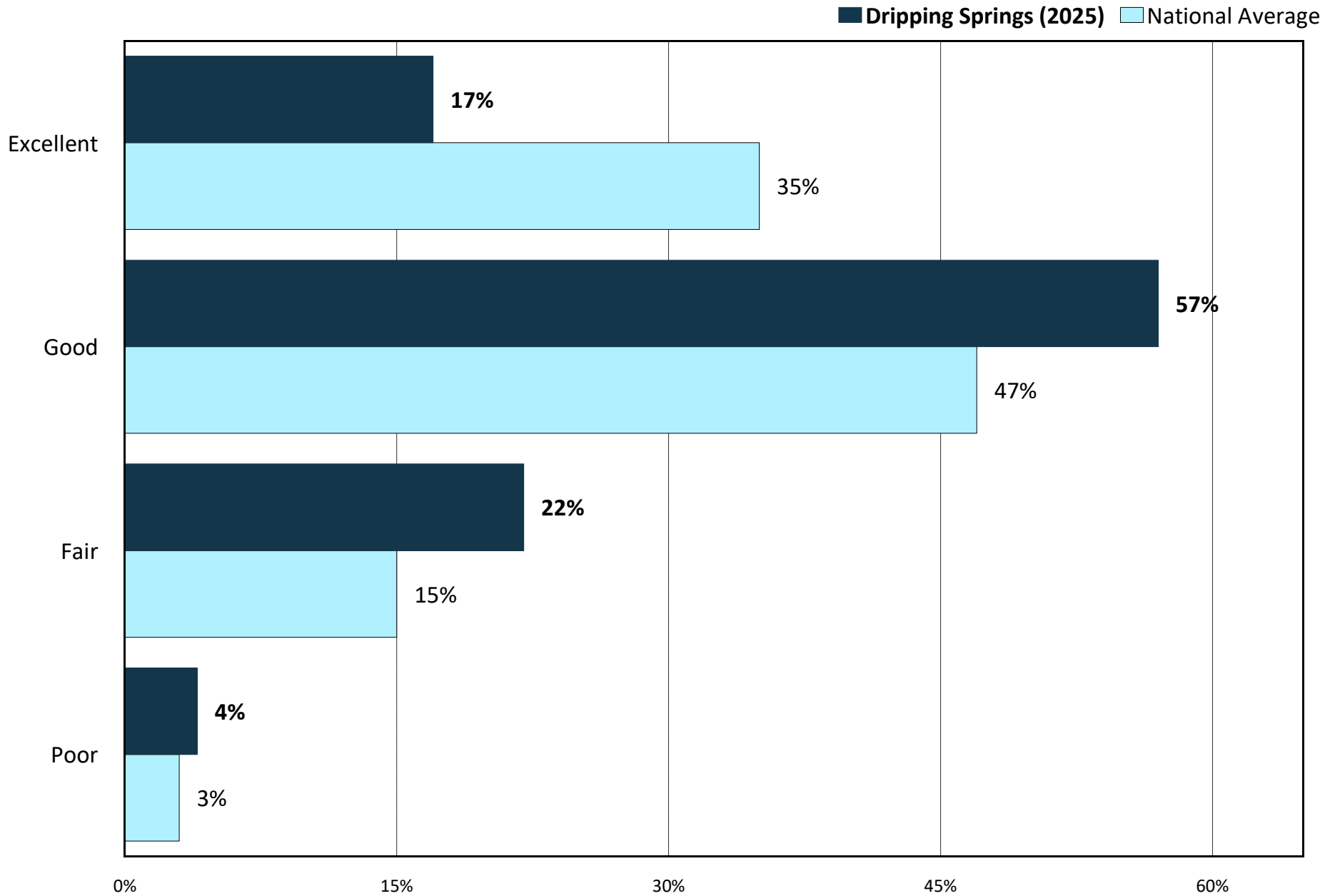
Have you or any members of your household visited any parks or recreation facilities or amenities in your community during the past year?

by % of respondents



Rating Condition of Parks and Recreation Facilities

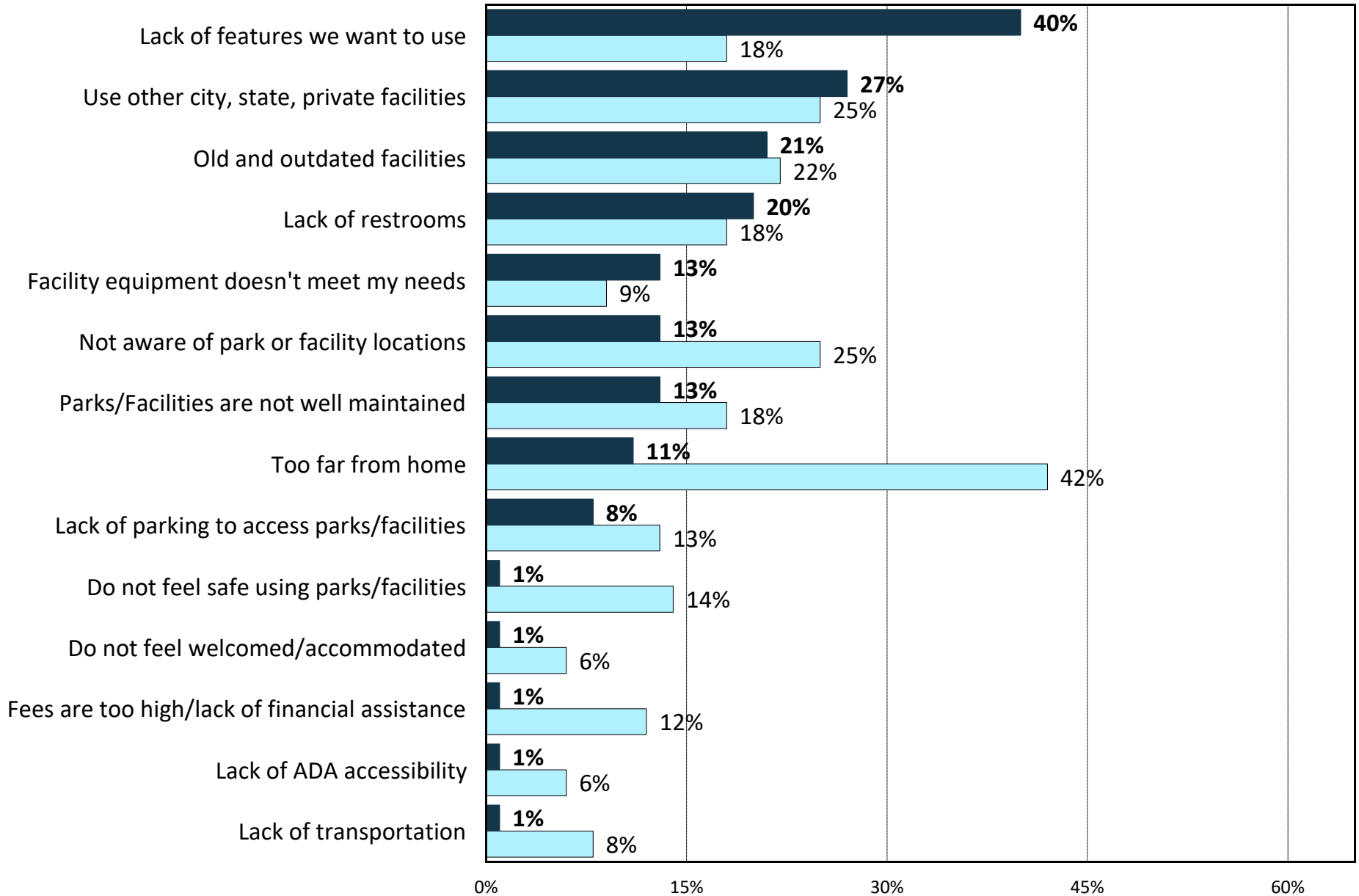
by % of respondents who report visiting facilities or amenities in the last year



Barriers to Use of Parks and Recreation Facilities

by % of respondents

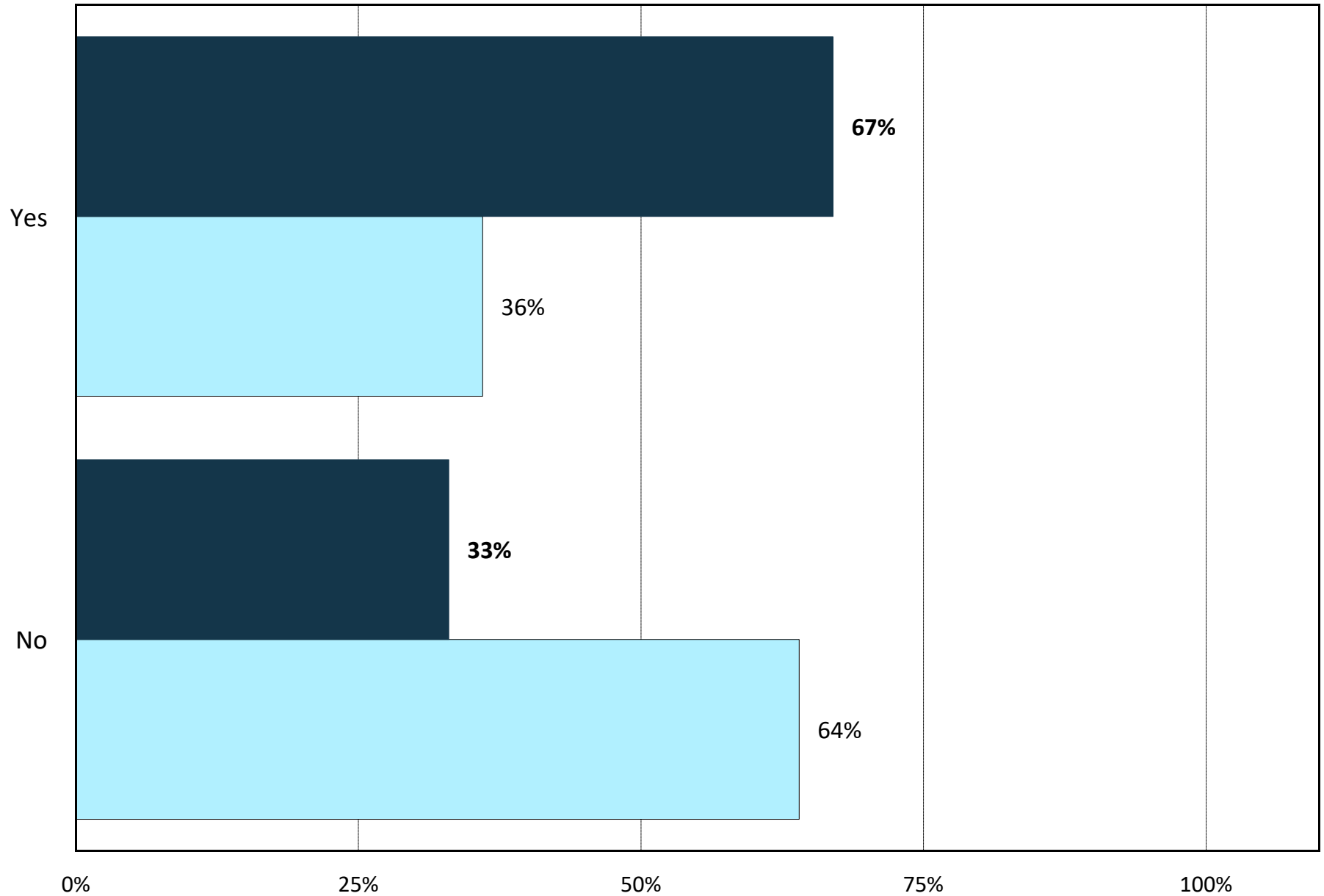
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Have you participated in Dripping Springs programs in the last year?

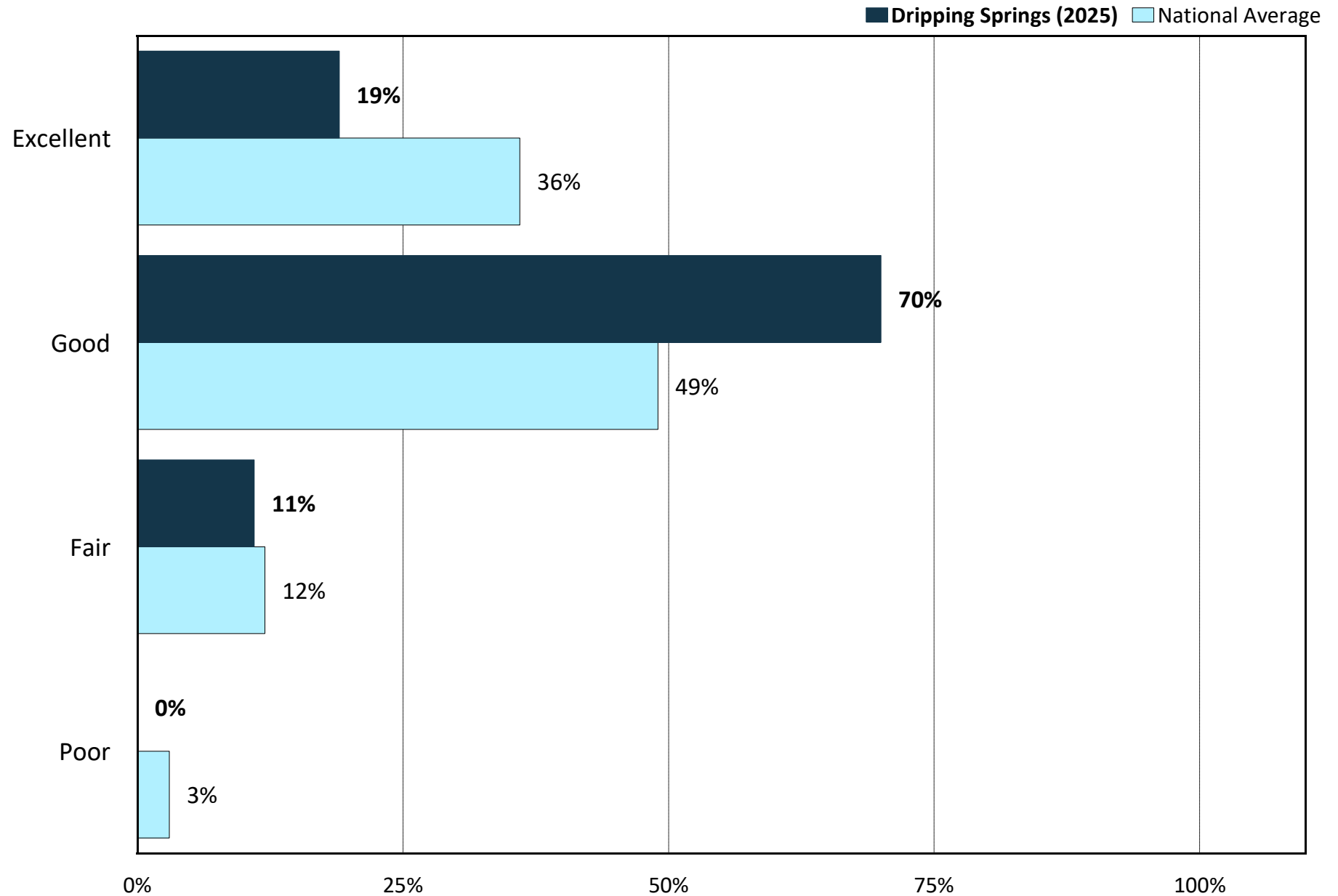
by % of respondents

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Rating Condition of Parks and Recreation Facilities and Amenities

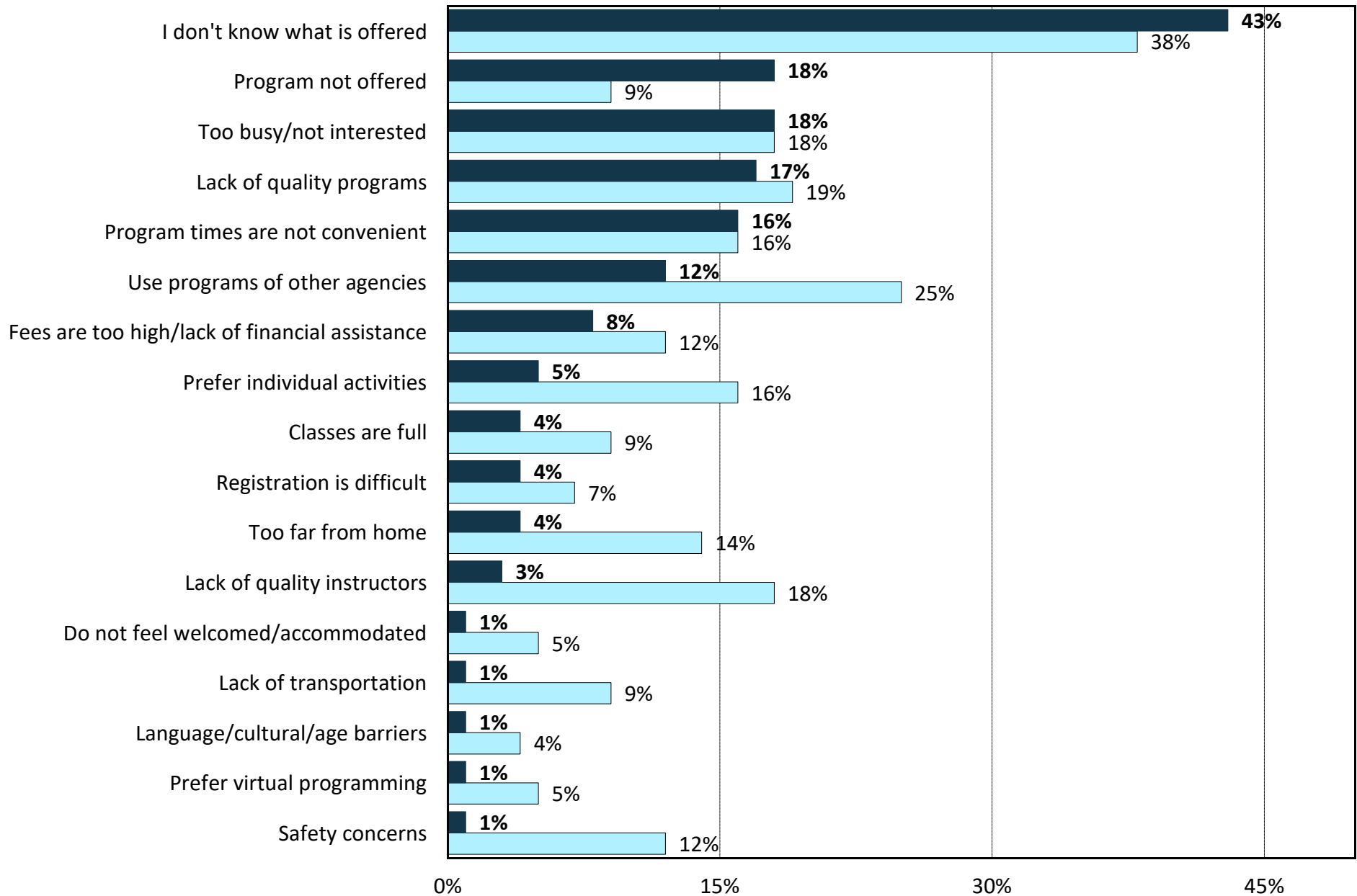
by % of respondents who report participating in programs in the last year



Barriers to Program and Activity Participation

by % of respondents

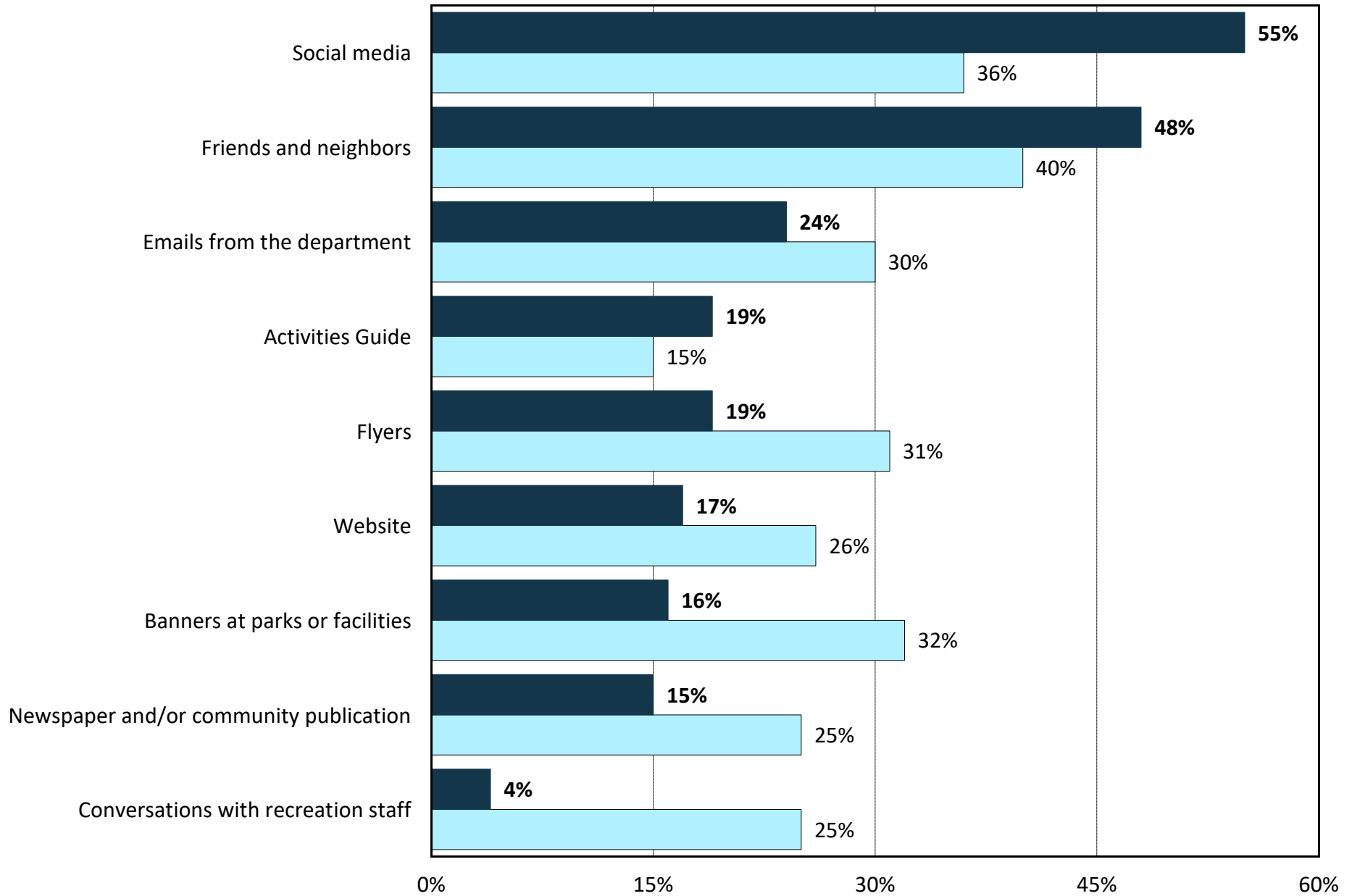
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Sources Used for Information about Parks and Recreation

by % of respondents

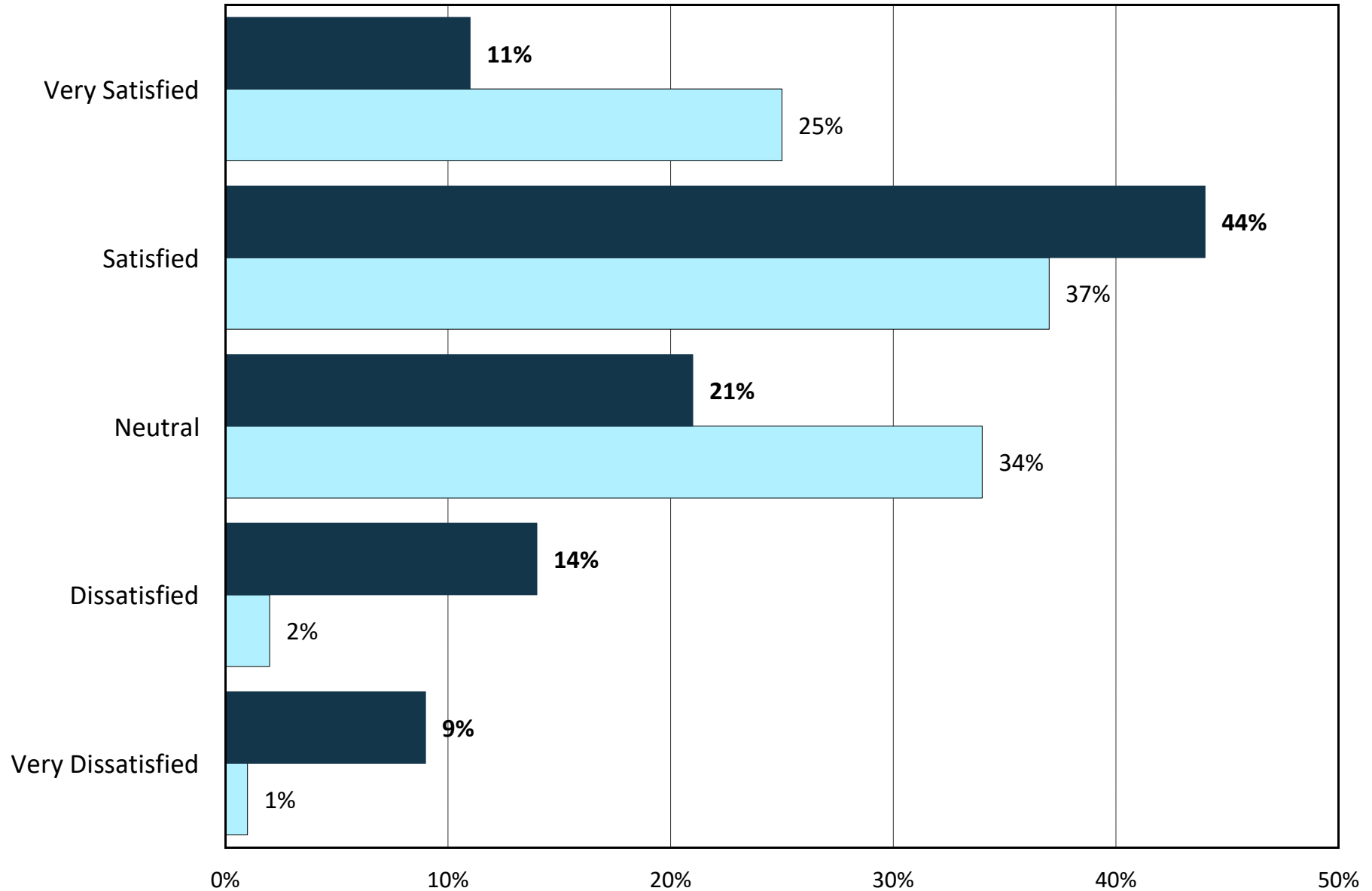
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Satisfaction with Value Received from Parks and Recreation

by % of respondents

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**Importance-
Satisfaction Rating**

Importance-Satisfaction Analysis



Overview

Today, community leaders have limited resources which need to be targeted to activities that are of the most benefit to their citizens. Two of the most important criteria for decision making are (1) to target resources toward services of the highest importance to citizens; and (2) to target resources toward those services where citizens are the least satisfied.

The Importance-Satisfaction (I-S) rating is a unique tool that allows public officials to better understand both of these highly important decision-making criteria for each of the services they are providing. The Importance-Satisfaction (I-S) rating is based on the concept that public agencies will maximize overall customer satisfaction by emphasizing improvements in those areas where the level of satisfaction is relatively low, and the perceived importance of the service is relatively high.

The rating is calculated by summing the percentage of responses for items selected as the first, second, and third most important services for the City to emphasize over the next ten years. The sum is then multiplied by 1 minus the percentage of respondents who indicated they were positively satisfied with the City's performance in the related area (the sum of the ratings of 4 and 5 on a 5-point scale excluding "don't know" responses). "Don't know" responses are excluded from the calculation to ensure the satisfaction ratings among service categories are comparable.

$$\text{I-S Rating} = \text{Importance} \times (1 - \text{Satisfaction})$$

Example of the Calculation

Respondents were asked to identify the categories of parks and recreation services that were most important to emphasize over the next ten years. Fourteen percent (14%) of the respondent households selected "*overall quality of youth programming*" as one of the most important services for the City to emphasize.

With regard to satisfaction, 49% of respondents surveyed rated "*overall quality of youth programming*" as a "4" or "5" on a 5-point scale (where "5" means "Very Satisfied") excluding "don't know" responses. The I-S rating was calculated by multiplying the sum of the most important percentages by one minus the sum of the satisfaction percentages. In this example, 14% was multiplied by 51% (1-0.49). This calculation yielded an I-S rating of 0.0737, which ranked ninth out of 18 categories of City services analyzed.

Importance-Satisfaction Analysis



The maximum rating is 1.00 and would be achieved when 100% of the respondents select an item as one of their top two choices of importance and 0% indicate they are positively satisfied with the delivery of the service.

The lowest rating is 0.00 and could be achieved under either of the following two situations:

- If 100% of the respondents were positively satisfied with the delivery of the service
- If none (0%) of the respondents selected the service as one of the two most important areas.

Interpreting the Ratings

Ratings that are greater than or equal to 0.20 identify areas that should receive significantly more emphasis over the next two years. Ratings from 0.10 to 0.20 identify service areas that should receive increased emphasis. Ratings less than 0.10 should continue to receive the current level of emphasis.

- Definitely Increase Emphasis (I-S > 0.20)
- Increase Current Emphasis (I-S = 0.10 - 0.20)
- Maintain Current Emphasis (I-S < 0.10)

A table showing the results for the City of Dripping Springs is provided on the following page.

2025 Importance-Satisfaction Rating City of Dripping Springs Satisfaction with Parks and Recreation

Category of Service	Most Important %	Most Important Rank	Satisfaction %	Satisfaction Rank	Importance-Satisfaction Rating	I-S Rating Rank
High Priority (IS .10-.20)						
Maintenance of City parks	39%	1	62%	4	0.1494	1
Maintenance of City trails	33%	2	59%	6	0.1352	2
Quality of City sports fields (baseball, softball, soccer, football)	20%	4	36%	14	0.1266	3
Number of restrooms available	19%	5	34%	16	0.1222	4
Overall quality of natural area restoration and upkeep (native hill-country landscape)	27%	3	57%	10	0.1172	5
Medium Priority (IS <.10)						
Overall quality of adult and senior programming	13%	10	25%	18	0.0951	6
Quality of City playgrounds	19%	6	50%	12	0.0930	7
Quality of City swimming and aquatics facilities	12%	11	33%	17	0.0822	8
Overall quality of youth programming	14%	8	49%	13	0.0737	9
Quality of City sports courts (basketball, sand volleyball)	11%	13	36%	15	0.0733	10
Overall quality of special events	17%	7	59%	5	0.0702	11
Quality of arena and equestrian facilities	12%	12	58%	7	0.0496	12
Overall feeling of safety in parks and on trails	14%	9	76%	1	0.0328	13
Quality of event rooms at Dripping Springs Ranch Park and Event Center	6%	14	58%	8	0.0266	14
Quality of wayfinding and signage offered	5%	16	52%	11	0.0243	15
Overall quality received for costs for program registration	6%	15	57%	9	0.0237	16
Ease of registering for programs	5%	17	64%	3	0.0181	17
Quality of skate park	2%	18	75%	2	0.0046	18

Note: The I-S Rating is calculated by multiplying the "Most Important" % by (1-'Satisfaction' %)

Most Important %:

The "Most Important" percentage represents the sum of the first, second, and third most important responses for each item. Respondents were asked to identify the items they thought should receive the most emphasis from City leaders over the next ten years.

Satisfaction %:

The "Satisfaction" percentage represents the sum of the ratings "5" and "4" excluding 'don't knows.' Respondents ranked their level of satisfaction with each of the items on a scale of 5 to 1 with "5" being Very Satisfied and "1" being Very Dissatisfied.

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Tabular Data

Q1. Counting yourself, how many people in your household are...

	Mean	Sum
number	3.4	765
Under age 5	0.2	47
Ages 5-9	0.5	100
Ages 10-14	0.4	91
Ages 15-19	0.2	50
Ages 20-24	0.1	25
Ages 25-34	0.4	82
Ages 35-44	0.5	107
Ages 45-54	0.5	115
Ages 55-64	0.3	66
Ages 65-74	0.3	56
Ages 75+	0.1	26

Q2. Have you or other members of your household visited any parks offered by the City of Dripping Springs during the past 12 months?

Q2. Have your household members visited any

City parks during past 12 months	Number	Percent
Yes	208	93.7 %
No	14	6.3 %
Total	222	100.0 %

Q2a. Please check ALL the parks listed below that you or members of your household have visited during the past 12 months.

Q2a. All parks your household members have visited

	Number	Percent
Charro Ranch Park	77	37.0 %
Dripping Springs Ranch Park	177	85.1 %
Founders Memorial Park	168	80.8 %
Sports & Recreation Park	105	50.5 %
Veterans Memorial Park	40	19.2 %
School parks or facilities	96	46.2 %
Total	663	

Q2b. On average, how often do you visit the parks you selected in Question 2a?

Q2b. How often do you visit the parks	Number	Percent
Daily	17	8.2 %
Weekly	88	42.3 %
Monthly	65	31.3 %
Yearly	23	11.1 %
Very rarely	12	5.8 %
Not provided	3	1.4 %
Total	208	100.0 %

(WITHOUT "NOT PROVIDED")**Q2b. On average, how often do you visit the parks you selected in Question 2a? (without "not provided")**

Q2b. How often do you visit the parks	Number	Percent
Daily	17	8.3 %
Weekly	88	42.9 %
Monthly	65	31.7 %
Yearly	23	11.2 %
Very rarely	12	5.9 %
Total	205	100.0 %

Q2c. Please check ALL the reasons you visit the parks you selected in Question 2a.

Q2c. Reasons you visit the parks	Number	Percent
Exercise or physical activity	145	69.7 %
Socializing and/or children's play	112	53.8 %
Nature observation/relaxation	97	46.6 %
Sporting events	89	42.8 %
Equestrian or agriculture related activities	41	19.7 %
Community events	108	51.9 %
Parks programming such as camps or after school programs	27	13.0 %
Farmers market	95	45.7 %
Other	3	1.4 %
Total	717	

Q2c-9. Other:

Q2c-9. Other	Number	Percent
Dog walking	2	66.7 %
JUST PLAYING WITH MY BOYS	1	33.3 %
Total	3	100.0 %

Q2d. How would you rate the overall quality of the City of Dripping Springs parks you or members of your household have visited during the past 12 months?

Q2d. How would you rate overall quality of City parks your household members have visited	Number	Percent
Excellent	35	16.8 %
Good	118	56.7 %
Fair	46	22.1 %
Poor	9	4.3 %
Total	208	100.0 %

Q2e. Please check ALL the reasons why you and the members of your household do not visit parks or why you do not visit more often.

Q2e. Reasons why your household members do not visit parks or visit them more often	Number	Percent
Use other city, state, private facilities	56	26.9 %
Too far from home	23	11.1 %
Not aware of park or facility locations	26	12.5 %
Parks/facilities are not well maintained	26	12.5 %
Old & outdated facilities	44	21.2 %
Lack of amenities we want to use	84	40.4 %
Lack of parking to access parks/facilities	16	7.7 %
Do not feel safe using parks/facilities	1	0.5 %
Facility equipment doesn't meet my needs	27	13.0 %
Lack of ADA accessibility	2	1.0 %
Do not feel welcomed/accommodated	3	1.4 %
Lack of transportation	2	1.0 %
Lack of restrooms	41	19.7 %
Fees are too high/lack of financial assistance	2	1.0 %
Other	9	4.3 %
Total	362	

Q3. Have you or other members of your household participated in or attended any recreation programs/activities or special events or performances offered by the City of Dripping Springs during the past 12 months?

Q3. Have your household members participated in or attended any recreation programs/activities or special events or performances	Number	Percent
Yes	148	66.7 %
No	74	33.3 %
Total	222	100.0 %

Q3a. Approximately how many different recreation programs/activities, special events or performances offered by the City of Dripping Springs have you or members of your household participated in or attended over the past 12 months?

Q3a. How many different recreation programs/activities, special events or performances have your household members participated in or attended	Number	Percent
1 program	29	19.6 %
2 to 3 programs	79	53.4 %
4 to 6 programs	28	18.9 %
7 to 10 programs	3	2.0 %
11+ programs	7	4.7 %
Not provided	2	1.4 %
Total	148	100.0 %

(WITHOUT "NOT PROVIDED")**Q3a. Approximately how many different recreation programs/activities, special events or performances offered by the City of Dripping Springs have you or members of your household participated in or attended over the past 12 months? (without "not provided")**

Q3a. How many different recreation programs/activities, special events or performances have your household members participated in or attended

	Number	Percent
1 program	29	19.9 %
2 to 3 programs	79	54.1 %
4 to 6 programs	28	19.2 %
7 to 10 programs	3	2.1 %
11+ programs	7	4.8 %
Total	146	100.0 %

Q3b. From the following list, please check the primary reasons why you or members of your household participate in programs/activities or attend special events or performances in Dripping Springs.

Q3b. Primary reasons why your household members participate in programs/activities or attend special events or performances

	Number	Percent
Quality of instructors/coaches	32	21.6 %
Location of program facility	86	58.1 %
Quality of program facility	44	29.7 %
Fees charged for program	29	19.6 %
Times program is offered	38	25.7 %
Friends participate in program	54	36.5 %
Dates program is offered	46	31.1 %
Other	4	2.7 %
Total	333	

Q3b-8. Other:

Q3b-8. Other	Number	Percent
Dog pool day at Founders	1	25.0 %
The DSRP Riding Series (Ranch and Dressage) are really quality events	1	25.0 %
Halloween House	1	25.0 %
We went to the Christmas Light display	1	25.0 %
Total	4	100.0 %

Q3c. How would you rate the overall quality of programs/activities that you or members of your household have participated in during the past 12 months?

Q3c. How would you rate overall quality of programs/activities your household members have participated in

	Number	Percent
Excellent	28	18.9 %
Good	101	68.2 %
Fair	16	10.8 %
Not provided	3	2.0 %
Total	148	100.0 %

(WITHOUT "NOT PROVIDED")**Q3c. How would you rate the overall quality of programs/activities that you or members of your household have participated in during the past 12 months? (without "not provided")**

Q3c. How would you rate overall quality of programs/activities your household members have participated in

	Number	Percent
Excellent	28	19.3 %
Good	101	69.7 %
Fair	16	11.0 %
Total	145	100.0 %

Q3d. Please check ALL the reasons why you and the members of your household have not participated in programs or why you do not participate more often.

Q3d. Reasons why your household members have not participated in programs or why you do not participate in them more often

	Number	Percent
I don't know what is offered	63	42.6 %
Use programs of other agencies	18	12.2 %
Lack of quality instructors	5	3.4 %
Lack of quality programs	25	16.9 %
Prefer individual activities	7	4.7 %
Too far from home	6	4.1 %
Program times are not convenient	23	15.5 %
Classes are full	6	4.1 %
Safety concerns	1	0.7 %
Fees are too high/lack of financial assistance	12	8.1 %
Prefer virtual programming	1	0.7 %
Do not feel welcomed/accommodated	2	1.4 %
Program not offered	26	17.6 %
Registration is difficult	6	4.1 %
Lack of transportation	1	0.7 %
Too busy/not interested	26	17.6 %
Language/cultural/age barriers	1	0.7 %
Parking issues	14	9.5 %
Total	243	

Q4. Please rate your level of satisfaction with the following.

(N=222)

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know
Q4-1. Ease of registering for programs	9.9%	26.6%	16.2%	4.1%	0.5%	42.8%
Q4-2. Maintenance of City parks	11.7%	45.0%	24.3%	5.4%	5.9%	7.7%
Q4-3. Maintenance of City trails	13.5%	35.6%	17.6%	12.6%	4.1%	16.7%
Q4-4. Number of restrooms available	7.2%	22.5%	24.3%	25.7%	6.8%	13.5%
Q4-5. Overall feeling of safety in parks & on trails	30.6%	38.7%	18.0%	2.7%	1.4%	8.6%
Q4-6. Overall quality of adult & senior programming	4.5%	7.2%	24.3%	9.5%	2.3%	52.3%
Q4-7. Overall quality of natural area restoration & upkeep (native hill-country landscape)	14.4%	34.2%	22.5%	11.3%	3.6%	14.0%
Q4-8. Overall quality of special events	10.4%	34.7%	26.1%	3.2%	1.8%	23.9%
Q4-9. Overall quality of youth programming	8.1%	19.4%	24.3%	3.2%	1.4%	43.7%
Q4-10. Overall quality received for costs for program registration	7.2%	25.7%	19.8%	3.6%	1.4%	42.3%
Q4-11. Quality of arena & equestrian facilities	6.3%	19.8%	12.6%	5.4%	0.9%	55.0%
Q4-12. Quality of City playgrounds	6.3%	31.5%	23.4%	10.8%	3.6%	24.3%
Q4-13. Quality of City sports courts (basketball, sand volleyball)	2.3%	18.0%	20.3%	11.7%	4.5%	43.2%

Q4. Please rate your level of satisfaction with the following.

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know
Q4-14. Quality of City sports fields (baseball, softball, soccer, football)	3.6%	19.8%	20.3%	14.0%	6.8%	35.6%
Q4-15. Quality of City swimming & aquatics facilities	2.7%	16.2%	23.9%	11.7%	3.6%	41.9%
Q4-16. Quality of event rooms at Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Event Center	6.8%	29.7%	21.6%	3.2%	1.8%	36.9%
Q4-17. Quality of skate park	12.2%	20.7%	9.5%	0.9%	0.9%	55.9%
Q4-18. Quality of wayfinding & signage offered	6.8%	32.0%	26.6%	8.1%	1.8%	24.8%

(WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW")**Q4. Please rate your level of satisfaction with the following. (without "don't know")**

(N=222)

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
Q4-1. Ease of registering for programs	17.3%	46.5%	28.3%	7.1%	0.8%
Q4-2. Maintenance of City parks	12.7%	48.8%	26.3%	5.9%	6.3%
Q4-3. Maintenance of City trails	16.2%	42.7%	21.1%	15.1%	4.9%
Q4-4. Number of restrooms available	8.3%	26.0%	28.1%	29.7%	7.8%
Q4-5. Overall feeling of safety in parks & on trails	33.5%	42.4%	19.7%	3.0%	1.5%
Q4-6. Overall quality of adult & senior programming	9.4%	15.1%	50.9%	19.8%	4.7%
Q4-7. Overall quality of natural area restoration & upkeep (native hill-country landscape)	16.8%	39.8%	26.2%	13.1%	4.2%
Q4-8. Overall quality of special events	13.6%	45.6%	34.3%	4.1%	2.4%
Q4-9. Overall quality of youth programming	14.4%	34.4%	43.2%	5.6%	2.4%
Q4-10. Overall quality received for costs for program registration	12.5%	44.5%	34.4%	6.3%	2.3%
Q4-11. Quality of arena & equestrian facilities	14.0%	44.0%	28.0%	12.0%	2.0%
Q4-12. Quality of City playgrounds	8.3%	41.7%	31.0%	14.3%	4.8%
Q4-13. Quality of City sports courts (basketball, sand volleyball)	4.0%	31.7%	35.7%	20.6%	7.9%

(WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW")**Q4. Please rate your level of satisfaction with the following. (without "don't know")**

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
Q4-14. Quality of City sports fields (baseball, softball, soccer, football)	5.6%	30.8%	31.5%	21.7%	10.5%
Q4-15. Quality of City swimming & aquatics facilities	4.7%	27.9%	41.1%	20.2%	6.2%
Q4-16. Quality of event rooms at Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Event Center	10.7%	47.1%	34.3%	5.0%	2.9%
Q4-17. Quality of skate park	27.6%	46.9%	21.4%	2.0%	2.0%
Q4-18. Quality of wayfinding & signage offered	9.0%	42.5%	35.3%	10.8%	2.4%

Q5. Which THREE of the items in Question 4 do you think are MOST IMPORTANT for the City of Dripping Springs to emphasize over the next 10 years?

Q5. Top choice	Number	Percent
Ease of registering for programs	4	1.8 %
Maintenance of City parks	33	14.9 %
Maintenance of City trails	19	8.6 %
Number of restrooms available	11	5.0 %
Overall feeling of safety in parks & on trails	9	4.1 %
Overall quality of adult & senior programming	8	3.6 %
Overall quality of natural area restoration & upkeep (native hill-country landscape)	30	13.5 %
Overall quality of special events	11	5.0 %
Overall quality of youth programming	12	5.4 %
Overall quality received for costs for program registration	3	1.4 %
Quality of arena & equestrian facilities	21	9.5 %
Quality of City playgrounds	11	5.0 %
Quality of City sports courts (basketball, sand volleyball)	7	3.2 %
Quality of City sports fields (baseball, softball, soccer, football)	12	5.4 %
Quality of City swimming & aquatics facilities	11	5.0 %
Quality of skate park	2	0.9 %
Quality of wayfinding & signage offered	3	1.4 %
None chosen	15	6.8 %
Total	222	100.0 %

Q5. Which THREE of the items in Question 4 do you think are MOST IMPORTANT for the City of Dripping Springs to emphasize over the next 10 years?

Q5. 2nd choice	Number	Percent
Ease of registering for programs	2	0.9 %
Maintenance of City parks	32	14.4 %
Maintenance of City trails	32	14.4 %
Number of restrooms available	13	5.9 %
Overall feeling of safety in parks & on trails	9	4.1 %
Overall quality of adult & senior programming	12	5.4 %
Overall quality of natural area restoration & upkeep (native hill-country landscape)	12	5.4 %
Overall quality of special events	13	5.9 %
Overall quality of youth programming	10	4.5 %
Overall quality received for costs for program registration	4	1.8 %
Quality of arena & equestrian facilities	4	1.8 %
Quality of City playgrounds	13	5.9 %
Quality of City sports courts (basketball, sand volleyball)	11	5.0 %
Quality of City sports fields (baseball, softball, soccer, football)	17	7.7 %
Quality of City swimming & aquatics facilities	6	2.7 %
Quality of event rooms at Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Event Center	6	2.7 %
Quality of wayfinding & signage offered	6	2.7 %
None chosen	20	9.0 %
Total	222	100.0 %

Q5. Which THREE of the items in Question 4 do you think are MOST IMPORTANT for the City of Dripping Springs to emphasize over the next 10 years?

Q5. 3rd choice	Number	Percent
Ease of registering for programs	5	2.3 %
Maintenance of City parks	21	9.5 %
Maintenance of City trails	22	9.9 %
Number of restrooms available	17	7.7 %
Overall feeling of safety in parks & on trails	12	5.4 %
Overall quality of adult & senior programming	8	3.6 %
Overall quality of natural area restoration & upkeep (native hill-country landscape)	18	8.1 %
Overall quality of special events	14	6.3 %
Overall quality of youth programming	10	4.5 %
Overall quality received for costs for program registration	5	2.3 %
Quality of arena & equestrian facilities	1	0.5 %
Quality of City playgrounds	17	7.7 %
Quality of City sports courts (basketball, sand volleyball)	7	3.2 %
Quality of City sports fields (baseball, softball, soccer, football)	15	6.8 %
Quality of City swimming & aquatics facilities	10	4.5 %
Quality of event rooms at Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Event Center	8	3.6 %
Quality of skate park	2	0.9 %
Quality of wayfinding & signage offered	2	0.9 %
None chosen	28	12.6 %
Total	222	100.0 %

Q5. Which THREE of the items in Question 4 do you think are MOST IMPORTANT for the City of Dripping Springs to emphasize over the next 10 years? (top 3)

<u>Q5. Top choice</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Ease of registering for programs	11	5.0 %
Maintenance of City parks	86	38.7 %
Maintenance of City trails	73	32.9 %
Number of restrooms available	41	18.5 %
Overall feeling of safety in parks & on trails	30	13.5 %
Overall quality of adult & senior programming	28	12.6 %
Overall quality of natural area restoration & upkeep (native hill-country landscape)	60	27.0 %
Overall quality of special events	38	17.1 %
Overall quality of youth programming	32	14.4 %
Overall quality received for costs for program registration	12	5.4 %
Quality of arena & equestrian facilities	26	11.7 %
Quality of City playgrounds	41	18.5 %
Quality of City sports courts (basketball, sand volleyball)	25	11.3 %
Quality of City sports fields (baseball, softball, soccer, football)	44	19.8 %
Quality of City swimming & aquatics facilities	27	12.2 %
Quality of event rooms at Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Event Center	14	6.3 %
Quality of skate park	4	1.8 %
Quality of wayfinding & signage offered	11	5.0 %
<u>None chosen</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>6.8 %</u>
Total	618	

Q6. A variety of recreation facilities and amenities are listed below. Please indicate how well your needs for each facility or amenity are met on a scale of 4 to 1, where 4 means your needs are "Fully Met" and 1 means your needs are "Not Met" at all.

(N=222)

	Fully met	Mostly met	Partly met	Not met	No need
Q6-1. Baseball/softball fields	8.1%	11.3%	8.1%	6.8%	65.8%
Q6-2. Basketball courts	5.0%	9.9%	14.0%	8.6%	62.6%
Q6-3. BBQ grills/benches/picnic tables	4.1%	15.8%	19.4%	14.4%	46.4%
Q6-4. Disc golf/frisbee golf	1.8%	4.5%	3.6%	21.2%	68.9%
Q6-5. Dog parks	3.2%	5.9%	5.9%	32.0%	53.2%
Q6-6. Equestrian/livestock facilities	7.2%	10.8%	7.7%	3.6%	70.7%
Q6-7. Event space (rooms to rent)	5.0%	14.0%	15.3%	9.5%	56.3%
Q6-8. Exercise stations in parks and/or along trails	1.8%	11.3%	10.8%	31.1%	45.0%
Q6-9. Football fields	8.6%	8.6%	7.7%	6.8%	68.5%
Q6-10. Indoor community center (indoor sports & fitness, indoor walking track, meeting rooms, indoor playground, childcare, senior programs, gym for volleyball, basketball, pickleball)	1.4%	5.9%	11.3%	55.9%	25.7%
Q6-11. Inclusive access & amenities (wide smooth sidewalks & trails, wheelchair-friendly swings, etc.)	4.5%	9.9%	18.9%	22.5%	44.1%
Q6-12. Lighting	7.7%	21.6%	19.8%	17.1%	33.8%
Q6-13. Mountain bike trails	3.2%	10.8%	14.0%	16.2%	55.9%
Q6-14. Nature & wildlife viewing	10.4%	23.0%	28.4%	13.1%	25.2%
Q6-15. Restrooms	7.7%	20.3%	31.1%	23.4%	17.6%
Q6-16. Outdoor activities (ping pong, bean bag toss, horseshoes, etc.)	0.0%	5.9%	7.2%	35.6%	51.4%
Q6-17. Outdoor amphitheater	0.5%	2.7%	5.4%	41.9%	49.5%

Q6. A variety of recreation facilities and amenities are listed below. Please indicate how well your needs for each facility or amenity are met on a scale of 4 to 1, where 4 means your needs are "Fully Met" and 1 means your needs are "Not Met" at all.

	Fully met	Mostly met	Partly met	Not met	No need
Q6-18. Picnic shelters/pavilions	3.2%	13.1%	27.0%	23.9%	32.9%
Q6-19. Playgrounds	4.1%	23.4%	28.4%	14.0%	30.2%
Q6-20. Public art	2.7%	9.5%	20.3%	23.9%	43.7%
Q6-21. Shade	2.7%	19.4%	36.9%	22.5%	18.5%
Q6-22. Signage (educational, wayfinding, mile markers, etc.)	5.0%	30.6%	23.4%	14.0%	27.0%
Q6-23. Skate parks	19.4%	12.2%	5.0%	1.8%	61.7%
Q6-24. Soccer fields/multipurpose fields	9.0%	14.0%	15.3%	13.1%	48.6%
Q6-25. Splash pads	0.0%	4.5%	7.2%	41.9%	46.4%
Q6-26. Swimming pools	5.0%	16.7%	23.4%	16.7%	38.3%
Q6-27. Tennis and/or pickleball courts	1.4%	3.6%	6.8%	44.1%	44.1%
Q6-28. Trails	7.2%	23.4%	36.0%	18.0%	15.3%
Q6-29. Volleyball courts	1.8%	5.9%	10.8%	13.1%	68.5%

(WITHOUT "NO NEED")

Q6. A variety of recreation facilities and amenities are listed below. Please indicate how well your needs for each facility or amenity are met on a scale of 4 to 1, where 4 means your needs are "Fully Met" and 1 means your needs are "Not Met" at all. (without "no need")

(N=222)

	Fully met	Mostly met	Partly met	Not met
Q6-1. Baseball/softball fields	23.7%	32.9%	23.7%	19.7%
Q6-2. Basketball courts	13.3%	26.5%	37.3%	22.9%
Q6-3. BBQ grills/benches/picnic tables	7.6%	29.4%	36.1%	26.9%
Q6-4. Disc golf/frisbee golf	5.8%	14.5%	11.6%	68.1%
Q6-5. Dog parks	6.7%	12.5%	12.5%	68.3%
Q6-6. Equestrian/livestock facilities	24.6%	36.9%	26.2%	12.3%
Q6-7. Event space (rooms to rent)	11.3%	32.0%	35.1%	21.6%
Q6-8. Exercise stations in parks and/or along trails	3.3%	20.5%	19.7%	56.6%
Q6-9. Football fields	27.1%	27.1%	24.3%	21.4%
Q6-10. Indoor community center (indoor sports & fitness, indoor walking track, meeting rooms, indoor playground, childcare, senior programs, gym for volleyball, basketball, pickleball)	1.8%	7.9%	15.2%	75.2%
Q6-11. Inclusive access & amenities (wide smooth sidewalks & trails, wheelchair-friendly swings, etc.)	8.1%	17.7%	33.9%	40.3%
Q6-12. Lighting	11.6%	32.7%	29.9%	25.9%
Q6-13. Mountain bike trails	7.1%	24.5%	31.6%	36.7%
Q6-14. Nature & wildlife viewing	13.9%	30.7%	38.0%	17.5%
Q6-15. Restrooms	9.3%	24.6%	37.7%	28.4%
Q6-16. Outdoor activities (ping pong, bean bag toss, horseshoes, etc.)	0.0%	12.0%	14.8%	73.1%
Q6-17. Outdoor amphitheater	0.9%	5.4%	10.7%	83.0%

(WITHOUT "NO NEED")

Q6. A variety of recreation facilities and amenities are listed below. Please indicate how well your needs for each facility or amenity are met on a scale of 4 to 1, where 4 means your needs are "Fully Met" and 1 means your needs are "Not Met" at all. (without "no need")

	Fully met	Mostly met	Partly met	Not met
Q6-18. Picnic shelters/pavilions	4.7%	19.5%	40.3%	35.6%
Q6-19. Playgrounds	5.8%	33.5%	40.6%	20.0%
Q6-20. Public art	4.8%	16.8%	36.0%	42.4%
Q6-21. Shade	3.3%	23.8%	45.3%	27.6%
Q6-22. Signage (educational, wayfinding, mile markers, etc.)	6.8%	42.0%	32.1%	19.1%
Q6-23. Skate parks	50.6%	31.8%	12.9%	4.7%
Q6-24. Soccer fields/multipurpose fields	17.5%	27.2%	29.8%	25.4%
Q6-25. Splash pads	0.0%	8.4%	13.4%	78.2%
Q6-26. Swimming pools	8.0%	27.0%	38.0%	27.0%
Q6-27. Tennis and/or pickleball courts	2.4%	6.5%	12.1%	79.0%
Q6-28. Trails	8.5%	27.7%	42.6%	21.3%
Q6-29. Volleyball courts	5.7%	18.6%	34.3%	41.4%

Q7. Which FOUR of the facilities and amenities listed in Question 6 do you think are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q7. Top choice	Number	Percent
Baseball/softball fields	7	3.2 %
Basketball courts	2	0.9 %
BBQ grills/benches/picnic tables	3	1.4 %
Disc golf/frisbee golf	4	1.8 %
Dog parks	14	6.3 %
Equestrian/livestock facilities	24	10.8 %
Event space (rooms to rent)	4	1.8 %
Exercise stations in parks and/or along trails	4	1.8 %
Football fields	3	1.4 %
Indoor community center (indoor sports & fitness, indoor walking track, meeting rooms, indoor playground, childcare, senior programs, gym for volleyball, basketball, pickleball)	23	10.4 %
Inclusive access & amenities (wide smooth sidewalks & trails, wheelchair-friendly swings, etc.)	4	1.8 %
Mountain bike trails	9	4.1 %
Nature & wildlife viewing	20	9.0 %
Restrooms	4	1.8 %
Outdoor activities (ping pong, bean bag toss, horseshoes, etc.)	1	0.5 %
Outdoor amphitheater	1	0.5 %
Playgrounds	8	3.6 %
Shade	2	0.9 %
Skate parks	1	0.5 %
Soccer fields/multipurpose fields	15	6.8 %
Splash pads	5	2.3 %
Swimming pools	9	4.1 %
Tennis and/or pickleball courts	20	9.0 %
Trails	28	12.6 %
Volleyball courts	1	0.5 %
None chosen	6	2.7 %
Total	222	100.0 %

Q7. Which FOUR of the facilities and amenities listed in Question 6 do you think are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q7. 2nd choice	Number	Percent
Baseball/softball fields	6	2.7 %
Basketball courts	4	1.8 %
BBQ grills/benches/picnic tables	3	1.4 %
Disc golf/frisbee golf	5	2.3 %
Dog parks	7	3.2 %
Equestrian/livestock facilities	1	0.5 %
Event space (rooms to rent)	5	2.3 %
Exercise stations in parks and/or along trails	5	2.3 %
Football fields	1	0.5 %
Indoor community center (indoor sports & fitness, indoor walking track, meeting rooms, indoor playground, childcare, senior programs, gym for volleyball, basketball, pickleball)	31	14.0 %
Inclusive access & amenities (wide smooth sidewalks & trails, wheelchair-friendly swings, etc.)	7	3.2 %
Lighting	3	1.4 %
Mountain bike trails	7	3.2 %
Nature & wildlife viewing	14	6.3 %
Restrooms	16	7.2 %
Outdoor activities (ping pong, bean bag toss, horseshoes, etc.)	3	1.4 %
Outdoor amphitheater	2	0.9 %
Picnic shelters/pavilions	4	1.8 %
Playgrounds	8	3.6 %
Public art	3	1.4 %
Shade	5	2.3 %
Signage (educational, wayfinding, mile markers, etc.)	1	0.5 %
Skate parks	1	0.5 %
Soccer fields/multipurpose fields	8	3.6 %
Splash pads	12	5.4 %
Swimming pools	10	4.5 %
Tennis and/or pickleball courts	11	5.0 %
Trails	24	10.8 %
Volleyball courts	2	0.9 %
<u>None chosen</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>5.9 %</u>
Total	222	100.0 %

Q7. Which FOUR of the facilities and amenities listed in Question 6 do you think are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q7. 3rd choice	Number	Percent
Baseball/softball fields	5	2.3 %
Basketball courts	7	3.2 %
BBQ grills/benches/picnic tables	4	1.8 %
Disc golf/frisbee golf	3	1.4 %
Dog parks	11	5.0 %
Equestrian/livestock facilities	1	0.5 %
Event space (rooms to rent)	2	0.9 %
Exercise stations in parks and/or along trails	10	4.5 %
Football fields	3	1.4 %
Indoor community center (indoor sports & fitness, indoor walking track, meeting rooms, indoor playground, childcare, senior programs, gym for volleyball, basketball, pickleball)	21	9.5 %
Inclusive access & amenities (wide smooth sidewalks & trails, wheelchair-friendly swings, etc.)	5	2.3 %
Lighting	10	4.5 %
Mountain bike trails	4	1.8 %
Nature & wildlife viewing	12	5.4 %
Restrooms	14	6.3 %
Outdoor activities (ping pong, bean bag toss, horseshoes, etc.)	4	1.8 %
Outdoor amphitheater	8	3.6 %
Picnic shelters/pavilions	3	1.4 %
Playgrounds	12	5.4 %
Public art	5	2.3 %
Shade	12	5.4 %
Signage (educational, wayfinding, mile markers, etc.)	4	1.8 %
Soccer fields/multipurpose fields	7	3.2 %
Splash pads	5	2.3 %
Swimming pools	6	2.7 %
Tennis and/or pickleball courts	7	3.2 %
Trails	19	8.6 %
Volleyball courts	1	0.5 %
<u>None chosen</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>7.7 %</u>
Total	222	100.0 %

Q7. Which FOUR of the facilities and amenities listed in Question 6 do you think are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q7. 4th choice	Number	Percent
Baseball/softball fields	3	1.4 %
Basketball courts	4	1.8 %
BBQ grills/benches/picnic tables	5	2.3 %
Disc golf/frisbee golf	1	0.5 %
Dog parks	8	3.6 %
Event space (rooms to rent)	4	1.8 %
Exercise stations in parks and/or along trails	6	2.7 %
Football fields	2	0.9 %
Indoor community center (indoor sports & fitness, indoor walking track, meeting rooms, indoor playground, childcare, senior programs, gym for volleyball, basketball, pickleball)	9	4.1 %
Inclusive access & amenities (wide smooth sidewalks & trails, wheelchair-friendly swings, etc.)	9	4.1 %
Lighting	2	0.9 %
Mountain bike trails	10	4.5 %
Nature & wildlife viewing	11	5.0 %
Restrooms	17	7.7 %
Outdoor activities (ping pong, bean bag toss, horseshoes, etc.)	3	1.4 %
Outdoor amphitheater	12	5.4 %
Picnic shelters/pavilions	7	3.2 %
Playgrounds	13	5.9 %
Public art	3	1.4 %
Shade	13	5.9 %
Signage (educational, wayfinding, mile markers, etc.)	4	1.8 %
Skate parks	1	0.5 %
Soccer fields/multipurpose fields	4	1.8 %
Splash pads	13	5.9 %
Swimming pools	6	2.7 %
Tennis and/or pickleball courts	7	3.2 %
Trails	14	6.3 %
Volleyball courts	3	1.4 %
<u>None chosen</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>12.6 %</u>
Total	222	100.0 %

(SUM OF TOP 4 CHOICES)**Q7. Which FOUR of the facilities and amenities listed in Question 6 do you think are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household? (top 4)**

Q7. Top choice	Number	Percent
Baseball/softball fields	21	9.5 %
Basketball courts	17	7.7 %
BBQ grills/benches/picnic tables	15	6.8 %
Disc golf/frisbee golf	13	5.9 %
Dog parks	40	18.0 %
Equestrian/livestock facilities	26	11.7 %
Event space (rooms to rent)	15	6.8 %
Exercise stations in parks and/or along trails	25	11.3 %
Football fields	9	4.1 %
Indoor community center (indoor sports & fitness, indoor walking track, meeting rooms, indoor playground, childcare, senior programs, gym for volleyball, basketball, pickleball)	84	37.8 %
Inclusive access & amenities (wide smooth sidewalks & trails, wheelchair-friendly swings, etc.)	25	11.3 %
Lighting	15	6.8 %
Mountain bike trails	30	13.5 %
Nature & wildlife viewing	57	25.7 %
Restrooms	51	23.0 %
Outdoor activities (ping pong, bean bag toss, horseshoes, etc.)	11	5.0 %
Outdoor amphitheater	23	10.4 %
Picnic shelters/pavilions	14	6.3 %
Playgrounds	41	18.5 %
Public art	11	5.0 %
Shade	32	14.4 %
Signage (educational, wayfinding, mile markers, etc.)	9	4.1 %
Skate parks	3	1.4 %
Soccer fields/multipurpose fields	34	15.3 %
Splash pads	35	15.8 %
Swimming pools	31	14.0 %
Tennis and/or pickleball courts	45	20.3 %
Trails	85	38.3 %
Volleyball courts	7	3.2 %
<u>None chosen</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>2.7 %</u>
Total	830	

Q8. How do you currently learn about recreation facilities, programs, and services that are offered by the City of Dripping Springs?

Q8. How do you currently learn about recreation facilities, programs, & services	Number	Percent
Newspaper	33	14.9 %
City website	37	16.7 %
Email blasts/newsletters	53	23.9 %
Program fliers/registration forms	43	19.4 %
From friends & neighbors	107	48.2 %
Social media (Facebook, X/Twitter, etc.)	121	54.5 %
Schools	36	16.2 %
Recreation brochure/program guide	42	18.9 %
Conversations with City staff	9	4.1 %
Television	3	1.4 %
Neighborhood/civic newsletters	26	11.7 %
Recreation center bulletin boards	12	5.4 %
Banners	35	15.8 %
Other	1	0.5 %
Total	558	

Q8-14. Other:

Q8-14. Other	Number	Percent
Banners	1	100.0 %
Total	1	100.0 %

Q9. Which TWO of the sources of information listed in Question 8 do you MOST PREFER to use to get information?

Q9. Top choice	Number	Percent
Newspaper	11	5.0 %
City website	24	10.8 %
Email blasts/newsletters	59	26.6 %
Program fliers/registration forms	7	3.2 %
From friends & neighbors	5	2.3 %
Social media (Facebook, X/Twitter, etc.)	73	32.9 %
Schools	8	3.6 %
Recreation brochure/program guide	13	5.9 %
Neighborhood/civic newsletters	4	1.8 %
Recreation center bulletin boards	1	0.5 %
Banners	7	3.2 %
None chosen	10	4.5 %
Total	222	100.0 %

Q9. Which TWO of the sources of information listed in Question 8 do you MOST PREFER to use to get information?

Q9. 2nd choice	Number	Percent
Newspaper	8	3.6 %
City website	24	10.8 %
Email blasts/newsletters	34	15.3 %
Program fliers/registration forms	10	4.5 %
From friends & neighbors	23	10.4 %
Social media (Facebook, X/Twitter, etc.)	41	18.5 %
Schools	8	3.6 %
Recreation brochure/program guide	22	9.9 %
Conversations with City staff	1	0.5 %
Television	1	0.5 %
Neighborhood/civic newsletters	13	5.9 %
Recreation center bulletin boards	1	0.5 %
Banners	10	4.5 %
None chosen	26	11.7 %
Total	222	100.0 %

(SUM OF TOP 2 CHOICES)

Q9. Which TWO of the sources of information listed in Question 8 do you MOST PREFER to use to get information? (top 2)

Q9. Top choice	Number	Percent
Newspaper	19	8.6 %
City website	48	21.6 %
Email blasts/newsletters	93	41.9 %
Program fliers/registration forms	17	7.7 %
From friends & neighbors	28	12.6 %
Social media (Facebook, X/Twitter, etc.)	114	51.4 %
Schools	16	7.2 %
Recreation brochure/program guide	35	15.8 %
Conversations with City staff	1	0.5 %
Television	1	0.5 %
Neighborhood/civic newsletters	17	7.7 %
Recreation center bulletin boards	2	0.9 %
Banners	17	7.7 %
None chosen	10	4.5 %
Total	418	

Q10. A variety of recreation programs and activities are listed below. Please indicate how well your needs for each program or activity are met on a scale of 4 to 1, where 4 means your needs are "Fully Met" and 1 means your needs are "Not Met" at all.

(N=222)

	Fully met	Mostly met	Partly met	Not met	No need
Q10-1. Adult art/dance/performing arts	1.4%	2.3%	9.0%	31.1%	56.3%
Q10-2. Athletic programs	4.5%	14.9%	19.4%	18.5%	42.8%
Q10-3. Athletic special events (i.e., cross-country or running races)	1.8%	5.9%	14.4%	20.3%	57.7%
Q10-4. Before or after school programs	0.9%	5.0%	10.4%	13.1%	70.7%
Q10-5. City sponsored special events or performances	4.1%	18.0%	30.6%	18.9%	28.4%
Q10-6. Continuing education programs	1.8%	5.0%	16.7%	23.9%	52.7%
Q10-7. Equestrian/livestock programs	6.3%	7.7%	11.3%	6.3%	68.5%
Q10-8. Extreme sports	0.9%	2.3%	2.7%	14.0%	80.2%
Q10-9. Farmers market	18.5%	28.8%	27.0%	5.9%	19.8%
Q10-10. Fitness & wellness programs	2.7%	6.3%	26.6%	25.7%	38.7%
Q10-11. Geocaching	2.3%	1.8%	8.6%	9.9%	77.5%
Q10-12. Gymnastics programs	2.3%	1.8%	5.0%	15.8%	75.2%
Q10-13. Learn to swim programs	4.1%	8.1%	8.1%	13.5%	66.2%
Q10-14. Nature programs/environmental education	3.6%	9.0%	23.9%	24.8%	38.7%
Q10-15. Outdoor adventure programs (rock climbing/hikes/paddling & kayaking, etc.)	1.4%	3.6%	13.1%	41.0%	41.0%
Q10-16. Outdoor public art	3.6%	6.3%	16.7%	28.4%	45.0%
Q10-17. Preschool programs	2.7%	2.7%	3.6%	17.1%	73.9%
Q10-18. Programs for people with disabilities or special needs	0.9%	1.8%	4.1%	12.2%	81.1%

Q10. A variety of recreation programs and activities are listed below. Please indicate how well your needs for each program or activity are met on a scale of 4 to 1, where 4 means your needs are "Fully Met" and 1 means your needs are "Not Met" at all.

	Fully met	Mostly met	Partly met	Not met	No need
Q10-19. Programs for teens	0.9%	5.0%	12.2%	18.5%	63.5%
Q10-20. Senior programs	1.8%	5.0%	5.9%	22.1%	65.3%
Q10-21. Skateboard programs	5.4%	4.5%	5.0%	3.2%	82.0%
Q10-22. Sports leagues (basketball, softball, soccer, etc.)	6.8%	13.5%	18.9%	12.6%	48.2%
Q10-23. STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics)	1.4%	3.6%	12.6%	23.0%	59.5%
Q10-24. Tennis/pickleball lessons & leagues	1.4%	1.4%	8.1%	36.0%	53.2%
Q10-25. Water fitness programs	2.3%	2.7%	8.6%	19.8%	66.7%
Q10-26. Youth art/dance/performing arts	1.4%	5.4%	8.1%	18.0%	67.1%

(WITHOUT "NO NEED")

Q10. A variety of recreation programs and activities are listed below. Please indicate how well your needs for each program or activity are met on a scale of 4 to 1, where 4 means your needs are "Fully Met" and 1 means your needs are "Not Met" at all. (without "no need")

(N=222)

	Fully met	Mostly met	Partly met	Not met
Q10-1. Adult art/dance/performing arts	3.1%	5.2%	20.6%	71.1%
Q10-2. Athletic programs	7.9%	26.0%	33.9%	32.3%
Q10-3. Athletic special events (i.e., cross-country or running races)	4.3%	13.8%	34.0%	47.9%
Q10-4. Before or after school programs	3.1%	16.9%	35.4%	44.6%
Q10-5. City sponsored special events or performances	5.7%	25.2%	42.8%	26.4%
Q10-6. Continuing education programs	3.8%	10.5%	35.2%	50.5%
Q10-7. Equestrian/livestock programs	20.0%	24.3%	35.7%	20.0%
Q10-8. Extreme sports	4.5%	11.4%	13.6%	70.5%
Q10-9. Farmers market	23.0%	36.0%	33.7%	7.3%
Q10-10. Fitness & wellness programs	4.4%	10.3%	43.4%	41.9%
Q10-11. Geocaching	10.0%	8.0%	38.0%	44.0%
Q10-12. Gymnastics programs	9.1%	7.3%	20.0%	63.6%
Q10-13. Learn to swim programs	12.0%	24.0%	24.0%	40.0%
Q10-14. Nature programs/environmental education	5.9%	14.7%	39.0%	40.4%
Q10-15. Outdoor adventure programs (rock climbing/hikes/paddling & kayaking, etc.)	2.3%	6.1%	22.1%	69.5%
Q10-16. Outdoor public art	6.6%	11.5%	30.3%	51.6%
Q10-17. Preschool programs	10.3%	10.3%	13.8%	65.5%
Q10-18. Programs for people with disabilities or special needs	4.8%	9.5%	21.4%	64.3%

(WITHOUT "NO NEED")

Q10. A variety of recreation programs and activities are listed below. Please indicate how well your needs for each program or activity are met on a scale of 4 to 1, where 4 means your needs are "Fully Met" and 1 means your needs are "Not Met" at all. (without "no need")

	Fully met	Mostly met	Partly met	Not met
Q10-19. Programs for teens	2.5%	13.6%	33.3%	50.6%
Q10-20. Senior programs	5.2%	14.3%	16.9%	63.6%
Q10-21. Skateboard programs	30.0%	25.0%	27.5%	17.5%
Q10-22. Sports leagues (basketball, softball, soccer, etc.)	13.0%	26.1%	36.5%	24.3%
Q10-23. STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics)	3.3%	8.9%	31.1%	56.7%
Q10-24. Tennis/pickleball lessons & leagues	2.9%	2.9%	17.3%	76.9%
Q10-25. Water fitness programs	6.8%	8.1%	25.7%	59.5%
Q10-26. Youth art/dance/performing arts	4.1%	16.4%	24.7%	54.8%

Q11. Which FOUR of the programs or activities listed in Question 10 do you think are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q11. Top choice	Number	Percent
Adult art/dance/performing arts	7	3.2 %
Athletic programs	23	10.4 %
Athletic special events (i.e., cross-country or running races)	3	1.4 %
Before or after school programs	8	3.6 %
City sponsored special events or performances	15	6.8 %
Continuing education programs	2	0.9 %
Equestrian/livestock programs	22	9.9 %
Extreme sports	2	0.9 %
Farmers market	22	9.9 %
Fitness & wellness programs	9	4.1 %
Geocaching	1	0.5 %
Learn to swim programs	1	0.5 %
Nature programs/environmental education	16	7.2 %
Outdoor adventure programs (rock climbing/hikes/paddling & kayaking, etc.)	10	4.5 %
Outdoor public art	4	1.8 %
Preschool programs	8	3.6 %
Programs for people with disabilities or special needs	1	0.5 %
Programs for teens	4	1.8 %
Senior programs	4	1.8 %
Skateboard programs	1	0.5 %
Sports leagues (basketball, softball, soccer, etc.)	16	7.2 %
STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics)	2	0.9 %
Tennis/pickleball lessons & leagues	22	9.9 %
Water fitness programs	2	0.9 %
Youth art/dance/performing arts	4	1.8 %
None chosen	13	5.9 %
Total	222	100.0 %

Q11. Which FOUR of the programs or activities listed in Question 10 do you think are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q11. 2nd choice	Number	Percent
Adult art/dance/performing arts	6	2.7 %
Athletic programs	10	4.5 %
Athletic special events (i.e., cross-country or running races)	4	1.8 %
Before or after school programs	9	4.1 %
City sponsored special events or performances	17	7.7 %
Continuing education programs	5	2.3 %
Equestrian/livestock programs	6	2.7 %
Farmers market	25	11.3 %
Fitness & wellness programs	19	8.6 %
Geocaching	1	0.5 %
Gymnastics programs	2	0.9 %
Learn to swim programs	5	2.3 %
Nature programs/environmental education	13	5.9 %
Outdoor adventure programs (rock climbing/hikes/paddling & kayaking, etc.)	21	9.5 %
Outdoor public art	4	1.8 %
Preschool programs	1	0.5 %
Programs for people with disabilities or special needs	3	1.4 %
Programs for teens	4	1.8 %
Senior programs	9	4.1 %
Skateboard programs	1	0.5 %
Sports leagues (basketball, softball, soccer, etc.)	9	4.1 %
STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics)	4	1.8 %
Tennis/pickleball lessons & leagues	14	6.3 %
Water fitness programs	3	1.4 %
Youth art/dance/performing arts	3	1.4 %
None chosen	24	10.8 %
Total	222	100.0 %

Q11. Which FOUR of the programs or activities listed in Question 10 do you think are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q11. 3rd choice	Number	Percent
Adult art/dance/performing arts	6	2.7 %
Athletic programs	7	3.2 %
Athletic special events (i.e., cross-country or running races)	7	3.2 %
Before or after school programs	4	1.8 %
City sponsored special events or performances	16	7.2 %
Continuing education programs	6	2.7 %
Equestrian/livestock programs	5	2.3 %
Extreme sports	3	1.4 %
Farmers market	18	8.1 %
Fitness & wellness programs	18	8.1 %
Geocaching	3	1.4 %
Learn to swim programs	4	1.8 %
Nature programs/environmental education	19	8.6 %
Outdoor adventure programs (rock climbing/hikes/paddling & kayaking, etc.)	13	5.9 %
Outdoor public art	10	4.5 %
Preschool programs	3	1.4 %
Programs for people with disabilities or special needs	1	0.5 %
Programs for teens	9	4.1 %
Senior programs	7	3.2 %
Sports leagues (basketball, softball, soccer, etc.)	8	3.6 %
STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics)	7	3.2 %
Tennis/pickleball lessons & leagues	7	3.2 %
Water fitness programs	4	1.8 %
Youth art/dance/performing arts	2	0.9 %
<u>None chosen</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>15.8 %</u>
Total	222	100.0 %

Q11. Which FOUR of the programs or activities listed in Question 10 do you think are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q11. 4th choice	Number	Percent
Adult art/dance/performing arts	9	4.1 %
Athletic programs	7	3.2 %
Athletic special events (i.e., cross-country or running races)	3	1.4 %
Before or after school programs	8	3.6 %
City sponsored special events or performances	14	6.3 %
Continuing education programs	4	1.8 %
Equestrian/livestock programs	3	1.4 %
Extreme sports	1	0.5 %
Farmers market	16	7.2 %
Fitness & wellness programs	9	4.1 %
Geocaching	2	0.9 %
Learn to swim programs	4	1.8 %
Nature programs/environmental education	14	6.3 %
Outdoor adventure programs (rock climbing/hikes/paddling & kayaking, etc.)	15	6.8 %
Outdoor public art	9	4.1 %
Preschool programs	4	1.8 %
Programs for people with disabilities or special needs	1	0.5 %
Programs for teens	10	4.5 %
Senior programs	7	3.2 %
Skateboard programs	1	0.5 %
Sports leagues (basketball, softball, soccer, etc.)	9	4.1 %
STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics)	3	1.4 %
Tennis/pickleball lessons & leagues	8	3.6 %
Water fitness programs	2	0.9 %
Youth art/dance/performing arts	7	3.2 %
None chosen	52	23.4 %
Total	222	100.0 %

(SUM OF TOP 4 RESPONSES)**Q11. Which FOUR of the programs or activities listed in Question 10 do you think are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household? (top 4)**

Q11. Top choice	Number	Percent
Adult art/dance/performing arts	28	12.6 %
Athletic programs	47	21.2 %
Athletic special events (i.e., cross-country or running races)	17	7.7 %
Before or after school programs	29	13.1 %
City sponsored special events or performances	62	27.9 %
Continuing education programs	17	7.7 %
Equestrian/livestock programs	36	16.2 %
Extreme sports	6	2.7 %
Farmers market	81	36.5 %
Fitness & wellness programs	55	24.8 %
Geocaching	7	3.2 %
Gymnastics programs	2	0.9 %
Learn to swim programs	14	6.3 %
Nature programs/environmental education	62	27.9 %
Outdoor adventure programs (rock climbing/hikes/paddling & kayaking, etc.)	59	26.6 %
Outdoor public art	27	12.2 %
Preschool programs	16	7.2 %
Programs for people with disabilities or special needs	6	2.7 %
Programs for teens	27	12.2 %
Senior programs	27	12.2 %
Skateboard programs	3	1.4 %
Sports leagues (basketball, softball, soccer, etc.)	42	18.9 %
STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics)	16	7.2 %
Tennis/pickleball lessons & leagues	51	23.0 %
Water fitness programs	11	5.0 %
Youth art/dance/performing arts	16	7.2 %
None chosen	13	5.9 %
Total	777	

Q12. A variety of trail features are listed below. Please indicate how well your needs for each facility or amenity are met on a scale of 4 to 1, where 4 means your needs are "Fully Met" and 1 means your needs are "Not Met" at all.

(N=222)

	Fully met	Mostly met	Partly met	Not met	No need
Q12-1. Benches & other seating areas	7.7%	25.2%	32.4%	15.3%	19.4%
Q12-2. Bike lanes or paths on trails	5.4%	14.0%	25.2%	26.1%	29.3%
Q12-3. Equestrian trails	3.2%	7.2%	7.7%	10.8%	71.2%
Q12-4. Fitness stations	0.9%	6.8%	13.1%	30.6%	48.6%
Q12-5. Internal park loop trails	5.9%	11.7%	30.6%	23.0%	28.8%
Q12-6. Lighting & security amenities	5.9%	19.4%	25.2%	20.3%	29.3%
Q12-7. Linear trails connecting destinations throughout Dripping Springs	0.9%	5.4%	16.2%	53.6%	23.9%
Q12-8. Mountain bike trails	3.2%	7.7%	16.2%	18.0%	55.0%
Q12-9. Nature trails	5.0%	17.6%	37.8%	21.2%	18.5%
Q12-10. Neighborhood access to trails	5.0%	11.7%	22.5%	31.1%	29.7%
Q12-11. Restrooms	6.8%	14.4%	34.2%	27.0%	17.6%
Q12-12. Shade	2.3%	21.6%	36.9%	19.8%	19.4%
Q12-13. Trailheads with parking	7.7%	16.2%	32.9%	23.0%	20.3%
Q12-14. Water stations	2.3%	5.0%	23.0%	41.0%	28.8%
Q12-15. Wayfinding signage	4.5%	21.6%	26.6%	18.5%	28.8%

(WITHOUT "NO NEED")

Q12. A variety of trail features are listed below. Please indicate how well your needs for each facility or amenity are met on a scale of 4 to 1, where 4 means your needs are "Fully Met" and 1 means your needs are "Not Met" at all. (without "no need")

(N=222)

	Fully met	Mostly met	Partly met	Not met
Q12-1. Benches & other seating areas	9.5%	31.3%	40.2%	19.0%
Q12-2. Bike lanes or paths on trails	7.6%	19.7%	35.7%	36.9%
Q12-3. Equestrian trails	10.9%	25.0%	26.6%	37.5%
Q12-4. Fitness stations	1.8%	13.2%	25.4%	59.6%
Q12-5. Internal park loop trails	8.2%	16.5%	43.0%	32.3%
Q12-6. Lighting & security amenities	8.3%	27.4%	35.7%	28.7%
Q12-7. Linear trails connecting destinations throughout Dripping Springs	1.2%	7.1%	21.3%	70.4%
Q12-8. Mountain bike trails	7.0%	17.0%	36.0%	40.0%
Q12-9. Nature trails	6.1%	21.5%	46.4%	26.0%
Q12-10. Neighborhood access to trails	7.1%	16.7%	32.1%	44.2%
Q12-11. Restrooms	8.2%	17.5%	41.5%	32.8%
Q12-12. Shade	2.8%	26.8%	45.8%	24.6%
Q12-13. Trailheads with parking	9.6%	20.3%	41.2%	28.8%
Q12-14. Water stations	3.2%	7.0%	32.3%	57.6%
Q12-15. Wayfinding signage	6.3%	30.4%	37.3%	25.9%

Q13. Which THREE of the trail items listed in Question 12 do you think are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q13. Top choice	Number	Percent
Benches & other seating areas	10	4.5 %
Bike lanes or paths on trails	13	5.9 %
Equestrian trails	20	9.0 %
Fitness stations	3	1.4 %
Internal park loop trails	7	3.2 %
Lighting & security amenities	14	6.3 %
Linear trails connecting destinations throughout Dripping Springs	32	14.4 %
Mountain bike trails	11	5.0 %
Nature trails	37	16.7 %
Neighborhood access to trails	8	3.6 %
Restrooms	14	6.3 %
Shade	9	4.1 %
Trailheads with parking	7	3.2 %
Water stations	11	5.0 %
Wayfinding signage	6	2.7 %
None chosen	20	9.0 %
Total	222	100.0 %

Q13. Which THREE of the trail items listed in Question 12 do you think are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q13. 2nd choice	Number	Percent
Benches & other seating areas	13	5.9 %
Bike lanes or paths on trails	6	2.7 %
Equestrian trails	2	0.9 %
Fitness stations	7	3.2 %
Internal park loop trails	15	6.8 %
Lighting & security amenities	8	3.6 %
Linear trails connecting destinations throughout Dripping Springs	24	10.8 %
Mountain bike trails	8	3.6 %
Nature trails	30	13.5 %
Neighborhood access to trails	14	6.3 %
Restrooms	21	9.5 %
Shade	25	11.3 %
Trailheads with parking	10	4.5 %
Water stations	7	3.2 %
Wayfinding signage	5	2.3 %
None chosen	27	12.2 %
Total	222	100.0 %

Q13. Which THREE of the trail items listed in Question 12 do you think are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household?

Q13. 3rd choice	Number	Percent
Benches & other seating areas	12	5.4 %
Bike lanes or paths on trails	5	2.3 %
Equestrian trails	3	1.4 %
Fitness stations	5	2.3 %
Internal park loop trails	12	5.4 %
Lighting & security amenities	5	2.3 %
Linear trails connecting destinations throughout Dripping Springs	21	9.5 %
Mountain bike trails	6	2.7 %
Nature trails	20	9.0 %
Neighborhood access to trails	16	7.2 %
Restrooms	30	13.5 %
Shade	15	6.8 %
Trailheads with parking	14	6.3 %
Water stations	15	6.8 %
Wayfinding signage	9	4.1 %
None chosen	34	15.3 %
Total	222	100.0 %

(SUM OF TOP 3 RESPONSES)

Q13. Which THREE of the trail items listed in Question 12 do you think are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household? (top 3)

Q13. Top choice	Number	Percent
Benches & other seating areas	35	15.8 %
Bike lanes or paths on trails	24	10.8 %
Equestrian trails	25	11.3 %
Fitness stations	15	6.8 %
Internal park loop trails	34	15.3 %
Lighting & security amenities	27	12.2 %
Linear trails connecting destinations throughout Dripping Springs	77	34.7 %
Mountain bike trails	25	11.3 %
Nature trails	87	39.2 %
Neighborhood access to trails	38	17.1 %
Restrooms	65	29.3 %
Shade	49	22.1 %
Trailheads with parking	31	14.0 %
Water stations	33	14.9 %
Wayfinding signage	20	9.0 %
None chosen	20	9.0 %
Total	605	

Q14. Please rate your satisfaction using a scale of 5 to 1, where 5 means "Very Satisfied" and 1 means "Very Dissatisfied," with the overall value your household receives from the City of Dripping Springs Parks and Recreation Department.

Q14. Your satisfaction with overall value your household receives from City Parks & Recreation

Department	Number	Percent
Very satisfied	23	10.4 %
Somewhat satisfied	90	40.5 %
Neutral	42	18.9 %
Somewhat dissatisfied	29	13.1 %
Very dissatisfied	19	8.6 %
Don't know	19	8.6 %
Total	222	100.0 %

(WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW")

Q14. Please rate your satisfaction using a scale of 5 to 1, where 5 means "Very Satisfied" and 1 means "Very Dissatisfied," with the overall value your household receives from the City of Dripping Springs Parks and Recreation Department. (without "don't know")

Q14. Your satisfaction with overall value your household receives from City Parks & Recreation

Department	Number	Percent
Very satisfied	23	11.3 %
Somewhat satisfied	90	44.3 %
Neutral	42	20.7 %
Somewhat dissatisfied	29	14.3 %
Very dissatisfied	19	9.4 %
Total	203	100.0 %

Q15. The following is a list of actions the City of Dripping Springs could take to improve its parks and recreation system. Please indicate your support for each potential action.

(N=222)

	Very supportive	Somewhat supportive	Not sure	Not supportive
Q15-1. Acquire more land for preservation & conservation of natural areas-(preserve & conserve more natural areas)	67.1%	17.1%	14.0%	1.8%
Q15-2. Build new parks or facilities throughout town	65.3%	18.5%	14.0%	2.3%
Q15-3. Expand educational programming including nature education programs	43.7%	30.6%	21.2%	4.5%
Q15-4. Expand recreational programming	44.1%	31.5%	22.5%	1.8%
Q15-5. Expand citywide trail system	66.7%	16.2%	15.8%	1.4%
Q15-6. Maintain existing amenities in existing parks	73.9%	13.5%	11.7%	0.9%
Q15-7. Restore natural areas within existing parks & City-owned property	60.8%	20.3%	17.6%	1.4%
Q15-8. Update existing parks with new amenities	61.7%	22.5%	14.0%	1.8%

Q16. Which TWO improvements from the list in Question 15 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household?

Q16. Top choice	Number	Percent
Acquire more land for preservation & conservation of natural areas-(preserve & conserve more natural areas)	79	35.6 %
Build new parks or facilities throughout town	29	13.1 %
Expand educational programming including nature education programs	2	0.9 %
Expand recreational programming	8	3.6 %
Expand citywide trail system	23	10.4 %
Maintain existing amenities in existing parks	19	8.6 %
Restore natural areas within existing parks & City-owned property	6	2.7 %
Update existing parks with new amenities	40	18.0 %
None chosen	16	7.2 %
Total	222	100.0 %

Q16. Which TWO improvements from the list in Question 15 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household?

<u>Q16. 2nd choice</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Acquire more land for preservation & conservation of natural areas-(preserve & conserve more natural areas)	29	13.1 %
Build new parks or facilities throughout town	53	23.9 %
Expand educational programming including nature education programs	7	3.2 %
Expand recreational programming	9	4.1 %
Expand citywide trail system	36	16.2 %
Maintain existing amenities in existing parks	13	5.9 %
Restore natural areas within existing parks & City-owned property	20	9.0 %
Update existing parks with new amenities	33	14.9 %
None chosen	22	9.9 %
Total	222	100.0 %

(SUM OF TOP 2 CHOICES)

Q16. Which TWO improvements from the list in Question 15 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household? (top 2)

<u>Q16. Top choice</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Acquire more land for preservation & conservation of natural areas-(preserve & conserve more natural areas)	108	48.6 %
Build new parks or facilities throughout town	82	36.9 %
Expand educational programming including nature education programs	9	4.1 %
Expand recreational programming	17	7.7 %
Expand citywide trail system	59	26.6 %
Maintain existing amenities in existing parks	32	14.4 %
Restore natural areas within existing parks & City-owned property	26	11.7 %
Update existing parks with new amenities	73	32.9 %
None chosen	16	7.2 %
Total	422	

Q17. How important do you feel it is for the City of Dripping Springs to provide high quality parks, recreation facilities and programs?

<u>Q17. How important is it for City to provide high quality parks, recreation facilities & programs</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Very important	184	82.9 %
Somewhat important	28	12.6 %
Not important	1	0.5 %
Not sure	9	4.1 %
Total	222	100.0 %

(WITHOUT "NOT SURE")

Q17. How important do you feel it is for the City of Dripping Springs to provide high quality parks, recreation facilities and programs? (without "not sure")

Q17. How important is it for City to provide high quality parks, recreation facilities & programs	Number	Percent
Very important	184	86.4 %
Somewhat important	28	13.1 %
Not important	1	0.5 %
Total	213	100.0 %

Q18. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements concerning some potential benefits of the City of Dripping Springs Parks and Recreation Department's parks, facilities, and recreation programs or events using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Strongly Agree" and 1 means "Strongly Disagree."

(N=222)

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
Q18-1. Improves my (my household's) mental health & reduces stress	48.2%	30.2%	12.6%	1.4%	0.9%	6.8%
Q18-2. Improves my (my household's) physical health & fitness	50.0%	32.9%	9.5%	1.8%	0.9%	5.0%
Q18-3. Increases my (my household's) property value	36.9%	27.0%	20.7%	3.6%	2.3%	9.5%
Q18-4. Is age-friendly & accessible to all age groups	27.0%	36.5%	16.7%	6.8%	0.9%	12.2%
Q18-5. Makes Dripping Springs a more desirable place to live	49.1%	31.1%	6.8%	4.5%	0.9%	7.7%
Q18-6. Positively impacts economic/business development	43.2%	26.6%	11.7%	4.1%	1.8%	12.6%
Q18-7. Preserves open space & protects the environment	53.2%	26.6%	8.1%	1.8%	1.4%	9.0%
Q18-8. Provides jobs/professional development for youth	25.2%	27.5%	21.2%	5.9%	1.4%	18.9%
Q18-9. Provides positive social interactions for me (my household/family)	41.0%	32.4%	15.8%	1.4%	0.9%	8.6%
Q18-10. Provides volunteer opportunities for the community	31.1%	29.3%	19.4%	1.8%	0.5%	18.0%

Q18. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements concerning some potential benefits of the City of Dripping Springs Parks and Recreation Department's parks, facilities, and recreation programs or events using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Strongly Agree" and 1 means "Strongly Disagree."

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
Q18-11. I'm willing to pay additional City taxes and/or consider a bond initiative to see quality of existing parks & recreational amenities upgraded	28.8%	29.7%	19.4%	7.7%	5.4%	9.0%
Q18-12. I'm willing to pay additional City taxes and/or consider a bond initiative to see new parks & recreational amenities developed	30.2%	29.7%	20.3%	6.3%	6.3%	7.2%

(WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW")

Q18. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements concerning some potential benefits of the City of Dripping Springs Parks and Recreation Department's parks, facilities, and recreation programs or events using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Strongly Agree" and 1 means "Strongly Disagree." (without "don't know")

(N=222)

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Q18-1. Improves my (my household's) mental health & reduces stress	51.7%	32.4%	13.5%	1.4%	1.0%
Q18-2. Improves my (my household's) physical health & fitness	52.6%	34.6%	10.0%	1.9%	0.9%
Q18-3. Increases my (my household's) property value	40.8%	29.9%	22.9%	4.0%	2.5%
Q18-4. Is age-friendly & accessible to all age groups	30.8%	41.5%	19.0%	7.7%	1.0%
Q18-5. Makes Dripping Springs a more desirable place to live	53.2%	33.7%	7.3%	4.9%	1.0%
Q18-6. Positively impacts economic/business development	49.5%	30.4%	13.4%	4.6%	2.1%
Q18-7. Preserves open space & protects the environment	58.4%	29.2%	8.9%	2.0%	1.5%
Q18-8. Provides jobs/professional development for youth	31.1%	33.9%	26.1%	7.2%	1.7%
Q18-9. Provides positive social interactions for me (my household/family)	44.8%	35.5%	17.2%	1.5%	1.0%
Q18-10. Provides volunteer opportunities for the community	37.9%	35.7%	23.6%	2.2%	0.5%

(WITHOUT "DON'T KNOW")

Q18. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements concerning some potential benefits of the City of Dripping Springs Parks and Recreation Department's parks, facilities, and recreation programs or events using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Strongly Agree" and 1 means "Strongly Disagree." (without "don't know")

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Q18-11. I'm willing to pay additional City taxes and/or consider a bond initiative to see quality of existing parks & recreational amenities upgraded	31.7%	32.7%	21.3%	8.4%	5.9%
Q18-12. I'm willing to pay additional City taxes and/or consider a bond initiative to see new parks & recreational amenities developed	32.5%	32.0%	21.8%	6.8%	6.8%

Q19. What is your age?

Q19. Your age	Number	Percent
18-34	41	18.5 %
35-44	49	22.1 %
45-54	52	23.4 %
55-64	40	18.0 %
65+	40	18.0 %
Total	222	100.0 %

Q20. How many years have you lived in the Dripping Springs area?

Q20. How many years have you lived in Dripping Springs area	Number	Percent
0-5	91	41.0 %
6-10	52	23.4 %
11-15	29	13.1 %
16-20	13	5.9 %
21-30	18	8.1 %
31+	13	5.9 %
Not provided	6	2.7 %
Total	222	100.0 %

(WITHOUT "NOT PROVIDED")**Q20. How many years have you lived in the Dripping Springs area? (without "not provided")**

Q20. How many years have you lived in Dripping Springs area	Number	Percent
0-5	91	42.1 %
6-10	52	24.1 %
11-15	29	13.4 %
16-20	13	6.0 %
21-30	18	8.3 %
31+	13	6.0 %
Total	216	100.0 %

Q21. Which of the following best describes your race/ethnicity?

Q21. Your race/ethnicity	Number	Percent
Asian or Asian Indian	18	8.1 %
Black or African American	3	1.4 %
American Indian or Alaska Native	1	0.5 %
White or Caucasian	180	81.1 %
Hispanic, Spanish, or Latino/a/x	23	10.4 %
Other	3	1.4 %
Total	228	

Q21-7. Self-describe your race/ethnicity:

Q21-7. Self-describe your race/ethnicity	Number	Percent
Mixed	1	33.3 %
More than one	1	33.3 %
Multiple races	1	33.3 %
Total	3	100.0 %

Q22. Do you or anybody in your family have a disability recognized by the American Disability Act (ADA)?

Q22. Do you or anybody in your family have a disability recognized by American Disability Act	Number	Percent
Yes	17	7.7 %
No	196	88.3 %
Not provided	9	4.1 %
Total	222	100.0 %

(WITHOUT "NOT PROVIDED")**Q22. Do you or anybody in your family have a disability recognized by the American Disability Act (ADA)? (without "not provided")**

Q22. Do you or anybody in your family have a disability recognized by American Disability Act	Number	Percent
Yes	17	8.0 %
No	196	92.0 %
Total	213	100.0 %

Q23. Are you currently a City of Dripping Springs employee or elected official?

Q23. Are you currently a City of Dripping Springs
employee or elected official

	Number	Percent
Yes	1	0.5 %
No	221	99.5 %
Total	222	100.0 %

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Open-Ended Responses

Open-Ended Question Responses

Q2e—"Other": Please check ALL the reasons why you and the members of your household do not visit parks or why you do not visit more often.

- Life is just too busy!
- Not enough equine activities. I would be there every week for exhibitions and competitions if they were available
- Not enough time with school events/sports.
- Our schedules
- Playscape areas and grounds are often plagued by ants.
- Trails are not maintained or walkable to neighborhoods.
- Walkability to/from the park
- We don't like sharing trails with dogs (especially when owners let them off-leash, even if they aren't supposed to), bikes, or horses.
- We hike and cycle. Trails don't offer distance. No biking trails.



Survey Instrument



Dear Dripping Springs Resident,

The City of Dripping Springs is conducting a survey to help determine parks and recreation priorities for our community and we want to hear from you. Our parks and community programming contribute significantly to our quality of life in Dripping Springs, and your opinions are very important to us.

We appreciate your time and realize this survey will take approximately 15-20 minutes to complete.

Each question is important. The time you invest in completing this survey will aid the City in taking a resident-driven approach to recreation planning to enhance our community and improve the quality of life for all residents.

You have been randomly selected.

We are using an outside firm to conduct this survey, and your responses will remain confidential and will be reported in group form only. Please return your completed survey within the next two weeks using the enclosed postage-paid return-reply envelope addressed to ETC Institute, 725 W. Frontier Circle, Olathe, KS 66061. If you prefer to take the survey online, please visit **DrippingSpringsSurvey.org**.

At the end of this survey, you will have an opportunity to opt-in for a chance to win one (1) \$500 prepaid Visa gift card for fully completing your survey.

If you have any questions, please contact ETC Institute's project manager Ryan Murray at ryan.murray@etcinstitute.com or at 913-254-4598.

Don't miss this opportunity to have your voice heard and help us meet the ever-changing parks and recreation needs of all community members.

Thank you for your time!

Sincerely,
Andrew Binz
Parks and Community Services Director

Si desea completar su encuesta en español, llame al 1-844-811-0411

2025 City of Dripping Springs Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan Community Survey

The City of Dripping Springs would like your input to help determine park and recreation priorities for our community. This survey will take 15-20 minutes to complete. If you would like to complete this survey online, please go to [DrippingSpringsSurvey.org](https://www.dripping SpringsSurvey.org). We appreciate your time. **At the end of this survey, you will have an opportunity to opt-in for a chance to win one (1) \$500 prepaid Visa gift card for fully completing your survey.**

1. Counting yourself, how many people in your household are...

Under age 5: Ages 15-19: Ages 35-44: Ages 65-74:
 Ages 5-9: Ages 20-24: Ages 45-54: Ages 75+:
 Ages 10-14: Ages 25-34: Ages 55-64:

2. Have you or other members of your household visited any parks offered by the City of Dripping Springs during the past 12 months?

(1) Yes [Answer Q2a-e.] (2) No [Skip to Q2e.]

2a. Please check ALL the parks listed below that you or members of your household have visited during the past 12 months. [Check ALL that apply.]

(1) Charro Ranch Park (4) Sports and Recreation Park
 (2) Dripping Springs Ranch Park (5) Veterans Memorial Park
 (3) Founders Memorial Park (6) School parks or facilities

2b. On average, how often do you visit the parks you selected in Question 2a?

(1) Daily (2) Weekly (3) Monthly (4) Yearly (5) Very Rarely

2c. Please check ALL the reasons you visit the parks you selected in Question 2a. [Check ALL that apply.]

(1) Exercise or physical activity (6) Community events
 (2) Socializing and/or children's play (7) Parks programming such as camps or after school programs
 (3) Nature observation/relaxation
 (4) Sporting events (8) Farmers market
 (5) Equestrian or agriculture related activities (9) Other (please specify): _____

2d. How would you rate the overall quality of the City of Dripping Springs parks you or members of your household have visited during the past 12 months?

(4) Excellent (3) Good (2) Fair (1) Poor

2e. Please check ALL the reasons why you and the members of your household do not visit parks or why you do not visit more often. [Check ALL that apply.]

(01) Use other city, state, private facilities (10) Lack of ADA accessibility
 (02) Too far from home (11) Do not feel welcomed/accommodated
 (03) Not aware of park or facility locations (12) Lack of transportation
 (04) Parks/Facilities are not well maintained (13) Lack of restrooms
 (05) Old and outdated facilities (14) Language/Cultural/Age barriers
 (06) Lack of amenities we want to use (15) Fees are too high/lack of financial assistance
 (07) Lack of parking to access parks/facilities (16) Other: _____
 (08) Do not feel safe using parks/facilities
 (09) Facility equipment doesn't meet my needs

3. Have you or other members of your household participated in or attended any recreation programs/activities or special events or performances offered by the City of Dripping Springs during the past 12 months?

(1) Yes [Answer Q3a-d.] (2) No [Skip to Q3d.]

3a. Approximately how many different recreation programs/activities, special events or performances offered by the City of Dripping Springs have you or members of your household participated in or attended over the past 12 months?

- (1) 1 program (3) 4 to 6 programs (5) 11 or more programs
 (2) 2 to 3 programs (4) 7 to 10 programs

3b. From the following list, please check the primary reasons why you or members of your household participate in programs/activities or attend special events or performances in Dripping Springs. [Check ALL that apply.]

- (1) Quality of instructors/coaches (5) Times the program is offered
 (2) Location of the program facility (6) Friends participate in the program
 (3) Quality of the program facility (7) Dates the program is offered
 (4) Fees charged for the program (8) Other: _____

3c. How would you rate the overall quality of programs/activities that you or members of your household have participated in during the past 12 months?

- (4) Excellent (3) Good (2) Fair (1) Poor

3d. Please check ALL the reasons why you and the members of your household have not participated in programs or why you do not participate more often. [Check ALL that apply.]

- (01) I don't know what is offered (10) Fees are too high/lack of financial assistance
 (02) Use programs of other agencies (11) Prefer virtual programming
 (03) Lack of quality instructors (12) Do not feel welcomed/accommodated
 (04) Lack of quality programs (13) Program not offered
 (05) Prefer individual activities (14) Registration is difficult
 (06) Too far from home (15) Lack of transportation
 (07) Program times are not convenient (16) Too busy/not interested
 (08) Classes are full (17) Language/Cultural/Age barriers
 (09) Safety concerns (18) Parking issues

4. Please rate your level of satisfaction with the following.

How satisfied are you with...	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Don't Know
01. Ease of registering for programs	5	4	3	2	1	9
02. Maintenance of City parks	5	4	3	2	1	9
03. Maintenance of City trails	5	4	3	2	1	9
04. Number of restrooms available	5	4	3	2	1	9
05. Overall feeling of safety in parks and on trails	5	4	3	2	1	9
06. Overall quality of adult and senior programming	5	4	3	2	1	9
07. Overall quality of natural area restoration and upkeep (native hill-country landscape)	5	4	3	2	1	9
08. Overall quality of special events	5	4	3	2	1	9
09. Overall quality of youth programming	5	4	3	2	1	9
10. Overall quality received for costs for program registration	5	4	3	2	1	9
11. Quality of arena and equestrian facilities	5	4	3	2	1	9
12. Quality of City playgrounds	5	4	3	2	1	9
13. Quality of City sports courts (basketball, sand volleyball)	5	4	3	2	1	9
14. Quality of City sports fields (baseball, softball, soccer, football)	5	4	3	2	1	9
15. Quality of City swimming and aquatics facilities	5	4	3	2	1	9
16. Quality of event rooms at Dripping Springs Ranch Park and Event Center	5	4	3	2	1	9
17. Quality of skate park	5	4	3	2	1	9
18. Quality of wayfinding and signage offered	5	4	3	2	1	9

5. Which THREE of the items in Question 4 do you think are MOST IMPORTANT for the City of Dripping Springs to emphasize over the next 10 years? [Write in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 4. If you don't believe any of these are important, circle "NONE."]

1st: _____ 2nd: _____ 3rd: _____ NONE

6. A variety of recreation facilities and amenities are listed below. Please indicate how well your needs for each facility or amenity are met on a scale of 4 to 1, where 4 means your needs are "Fully Met" and 1 means your needs are "Not Met" at all. If you do not have a need for one of the items listed, please circle "9" for "No Need."

Facilities and Amenities	Fully Met	Mostly Met	Partly Met	Not Met	No Need
01. Baseball/softball fields	4	3	2	1	9
02. Basketball courts	4	3	2	1	9
03. BBQ Grills/benches/picnic tables	4	3	2	1	9
04. Disc golf/frisbee golf	4	3	2	1	9
05. Dog parks	4	3	2	1	9
06. Equestrian/livestock facilities	4	3	2	1	9
07. Event space (rooms to rent)	4	3	2	1	9
08. Exercise stations in parks and/or along trails	4	3	2	1	9
09. Football fields	4	3	2	1	9
10. Indoor community center (indoor sports and fitness, indoor walking track, meeting rooms, indoor playground, childcare, senior programs, gym for volleyball, basketball, pickleball)	4	3	2	1	9
11. Inclusive access and amenities (wide smooth sidewalks and trails, wheelchair-friendly swings, etc.)	4	3	2	1	9
12. Lighting	4	3	2	1	9
13. Mountain bike trails	4	3	2	1	9
14. Nature and wildlife viewing	4	3	2	1	9
15. Restrooms	4	3	2	1	9
16. Outdoor activities (ping pong, bean bag toss, horseshoes, etc.)	4	3	2	1	9
17. Outdoor amphitheater	4	3	2	1	9
18. Picnic shelters/pavilions	4	3	2	1	9
19. Playgrounds	4	3	2	1	9
20. Public art	4	3	2	1	9
21. Shade	4	3	2	1	9
22. Signage (educational, wayfinding, mile markers, etc.)	4	3	2	1	9
23. Skate parks	4	3	2	1	9
24. Soccer fields/multipurpose fields	4	3	2	1	9
25. Splash pads	4	3	2	1	9
26. Swimming pools	4	3	2	1	9
27. Tennis and/or pickleball courts	4	3	2	1	9
28. Trails	4	3	2	1	9
29. Volleyball courts	4	3	2	1	9

7. Which FOUR of the facilities and amenities listed above do you think are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household? [Write in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 6. If you don't believe any of these are important, circle "NONE."]

1st: ____ 2nd: ____ 3rd: ____ 4th: ____ NONE

8. How do you currently learn about recreation facilities, programs, and services that are offered by the City of Dripping Springs? [Check ALL that apply.]

- | | |
|--|---|
| ____ (01) Newspaper | ____ (08) Recreation brochure/program guide |
| ____ (02) City website | ____ (09) Conversations with City staff |
| ____ (03) Email blasts/newsletters | ____ (10) Television |
| ____ (04) Program fliers/registration forms | ____ (11) Neighborhood/civic newsletters |
| ____ (05) From friends and neighbors | ____ (12) Recreation center bulletin boards |
| ____ (06) Social media (Facebook, X (Twitter), etc.) | ____ (13) Banners |
| ____ (07) Schools | ____ (14) Other: _____ |

9. Which TWO of the sources of information listed above do you MOST PREFER to use to get information? [Write in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 8, or circle "NONE."]

1st: ____ 2nd: ____ NONE

10. A variety of recreation programs and activities are listed below. Please indicate how well your needs for each program or activity are met on a scale of 4 to 1, where 4 means your needs are "Fully Met" and 1 means your needs are "Not Met" at all. If you do not have a need for one of the items listed, please circle "9" for "No Need."

Programs and Activities	Fully Met	Mostly Met	Partly Met	Not Met	No Need
01. Adult art/dance/performing arts	4	3	2	1	9
02. Athletic programs	4	3	2	1	9
03. Athletic special events (i.e., cross-country or running races)	4	3	2	1	9
04. Before or after school programs	4	3	2	1	9
05. City sponsored special events or performances	4	3	2	1	9
06. Continuing education programs	4	3	2	1	9
07. Equestrian/livestock programs	4	3	2	1	9
08. Extreme sports	4	3	2	1	9
09. Farmers Market	4	3	2	1	9
10. Fitness and wellness programs	4	3	2	1	9
11. Geocaching	4	3	2	1	9
12. Gymnastics programs	4	3	2	1	9
13. Learn to swim programs	4	3	2	1	9
14. Nature programs/environmental education	4	3	2	1	9
15. Outdoor adventure programs (rock climbing/hikes/paddling and kayaking, etc.)	4	3	2	1	9
16. Outdoor public art	4	3	2	1	9
17. Preschool programs	4	3	2	1	9
18. Programs for people with disabilities or special needs	4	3	2	1	9
19. Programs for teens	4	3	2	1	9
20. Senior programs	4	3	2	1	9
21. Skateboard programs	4	3	2	1	9
22. Sports leagues (basketball, softball, soccer, etc.)	4	3	2	1	9
23. STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics)	4	3	2	1	9
24. Tennis/Pickleball lessons and leagues	4	3	2	1	9
25. Water fitness programs	4	3	2	1	9
26. Youth art/dance/performing arts	4	3	2	1	9

11. Which FOUR of the programs or activities listed above do you think are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household? [Write in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 10. If you don't believe any of these are important, circle "NONE."]

1st: ____ 2nd: ____ 3rd: ____ 4th: ____ NONE

12. A variety of trail features are listed below. Please indicate how well your needs for each facility or amenity are met on a scale of 4 to 1, where 4 means your needs are "Fully Met" and 1 means your needs are "Not Met" at all. If you do not have a need for one of the items listed, please circle "9" for "No Need."

Trail Features	Fully Met	Mostly Met	Partly Met	Not Met	No Need
01. Benches and other seating areas	4	3	2	1	9
02. Bike lanes or paths on trails	4	3	2	1	9
03. Equestrian trails	4	3	2	1	9
04. Fitness stations	4	3	2	1	9
05. Internal park loop trails	4	3	2	1	9
06. Lighting and security amenities	4	3	2	1	9
07. Linear trails connecting destinations throughout Dripping Springs	4	3	2	1	9
08. Mountain bike trails	4	3	2	1	9
09. Nature trails	4	3	2	1	9
10. Neighborhood access to trails	4	3	2	1	9
11. Restrooms	4	3	2	1	9
12. Shade	4	3	2	1	9
13. Trailheads with parking	4	3	2	1	9
14. Water stations	4	3	2	1	9
15. Wayfinding signage	4	3	2	1	9

13. Which THREE of the trail items listed in Question 12 do you think are MOST IMPORTANT to you and the members of your household? [Write in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 12. If you don't believe any of these are important, circle "NONE."]

1st: ____ 2nd: ____ 3rd: ____ NONE

14. Please rate your satisfaction using a scale of 5 to 1, where 5 means "Very Satisfied" and 1 means "Very Dissatisfied," with the overall value your household receives from the City of Dripping Springs Parks and Recreation Department.

____(5) Very satisfied ____ (3) Neutral ____ (1) Very dissatisfied
 ____ (4) Somewhat satisfied ____ (2) Somewhat dissatisfied ____ (9) Don't know

15. The following is a list of actions the City of Dripping Springs could take to improve its parks and recreation system. Please indicate your support for each potential action by circling the corresponding number to the right.

Types of Improvements	Very Supportive	Somewhat Supportive	Not Sure	Not Supportive
1. Acquire more land for preservation and conservation of natural areas - (Preserve and conserve more natural areas)	4	3	2	1
2. Build new parks or facilities throughout town	4	3	2	1
3. Expand educational programming including nature education programs	4	3	2	1
4. Expand recreational programming	4	3	2	1
5. Expand the citywide trail system	4	3	2	1
6. Maintain existing amenities in existing parks	4	3	2	1
7. Restore natural areas within existing parks and City-owned property	4	3	2	1
8. Update existing parks with new amenities	4	3	2	1

16. Which TWO improvements from the list in Question 15 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household? [Write in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 15, or circle "NONE."]

1st: ____ 2nd: ____ NONE

17. How important do you feel it is for the City of Dripping Springs to provide high quality parks, recreation facilities and programs?

____(3) Very important ____ (2) Somewhat important ____ (1) Not important ____ (9) Not sure

18. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements concerning some potential benefits of the City of Dripping Springs Parks and Recreation Department's parks, facilities, and recreation programs or events using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means "Strongly Agree" and 1 means "Strongly Disagree."

	The parks and recreation system in Dripping Springs...	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't Know
01.	Improves my (my household's) mental health and reduces stress	5	4	3	2	1	9
02.	Improves my (my household's) physical health and fitness	5	4	3	2	1	9
03.	Increases my (my household's) property value	5	4	3	2	1	9
04.	Is age-friendly and accessible to all age groups	5	4	3	2	1	9
05.	Makes Dripping Springs a more desirable place to live	5	4	3	2	1	9
06.	Positively impacts economic/business development	5	4	3	2	1	9
07.	Preserves open space and protects the environment	5	4	3	2	1	9
08.	Provides jobs/professional development for youth	5	4	3	2	1	9
09.	Provides positive social interactions for me (my household/family)	5	4	3	2	1	9
10.	Provides volunteer opportunities for the community	5	4	3	2	1	9
11.	I'm willing to pay additional city taxes and/or consider a bond initiative to see the quality of existing parks and recreational amenities upgraded	5	4	3	2	1	9
12.	I'm willing to pay additional city taxes and/or consider a bond initiative to see new parks and recreational amenities developed	5	4	3	2	1	9

Demographics

19. What is your age? _____ years
20. How many years have you lived in the Dripping Springs area? _____ years
21. Which of the following best describes your race/ethnicity? *[Check all that apply.]*
- ____(01) Asian or Asian Indian ____ (05) Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
 ____ (02) Black or African American ____ (06) Hispanic, Spanish, or Latino/a/x
 ____ (03) American Indian or Alaska Native ____ (99) Other: _____
 ____ (04) White or Caucasian
22. Do you or anybody in your family have a disability recognized by the American Disability Act (ADA)?
 ____ (1) Yes ____ (2) No
23. Are you currently a City of Dripping Springs employee or elected official?
 ____ (1) Yes ____ (2) No
24. Would you like to be entered into a drawing for a chance to win one (1) prepaid \$500 Visa Gift Card for fully completing your survey? The gift card will be sent via email and is limited to one entry per household.
 ____ (1) Yes *[Answer Q24a.]* ____ (2) No *[END SURVEY.]*
- 24a. Please provide your contact information.
- Name: _____ Mobile Phone Number: _____
- Email Address: _____

This concludes the survey. Thank you for your time!

Please return your completed survey in the enclosed return-reply envelope addressed to:
 ETC Institute, 725 W. Frontier Circle, Olathe, KS 66061