

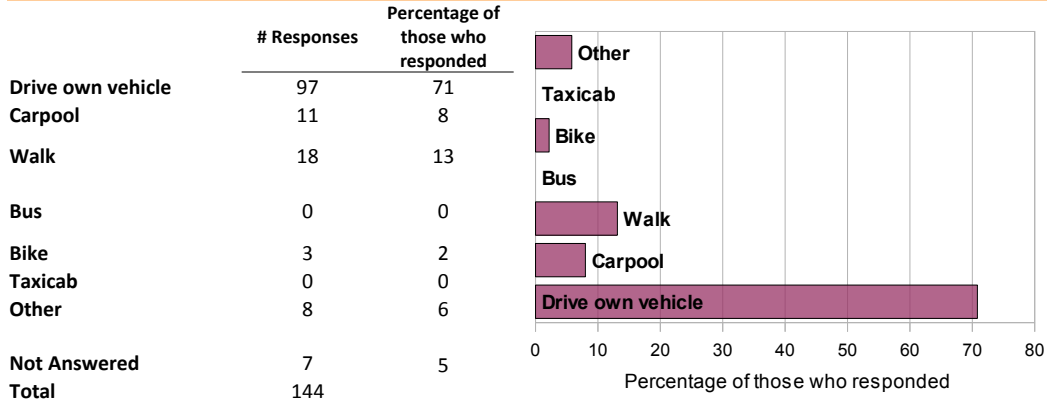
Thompson Acts to Cut Emissions

The A.C.E. Survey

Each day we are taking another step into the future. Thompson, as a participant in the provincial Community Led Emissions Reduction (CLER) program, NEEDS your input into a climate change action plan to take us to a GREEN tomorrow. How do we want to live?

FROM HERE TO THERE - WE ARE EVERYWHERE

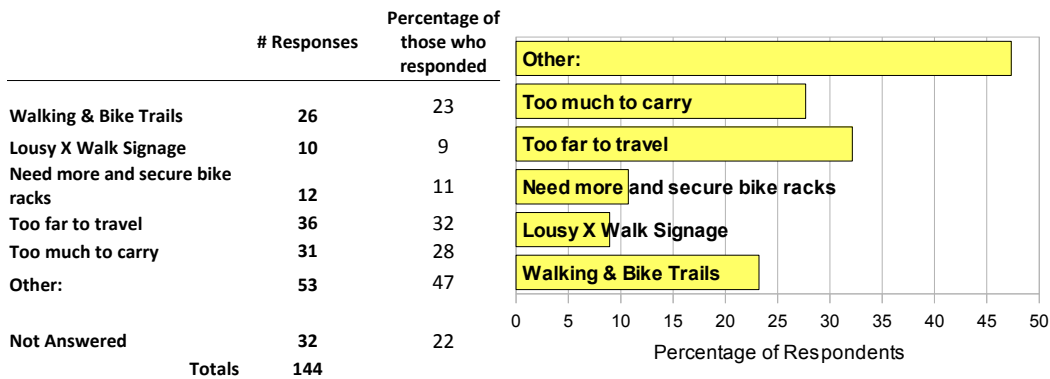
1. How do you get to work/school



Over 70% of respondents drive their own vehicle

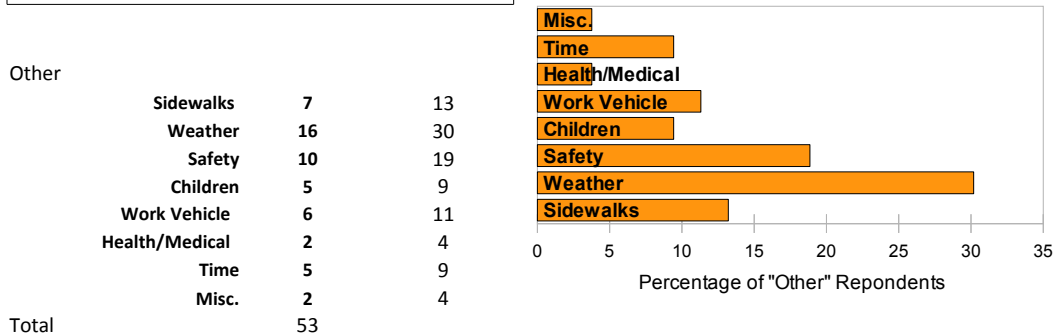
Of the 13% who walk, 40% are students

2. What prevents you from walking or using your bike to get to work/school?



Over 30% of respondents have Too Far to Travel, 28% have too much to carry.

2a. Breakdown of "Other"



30% of respondents cite Weather as a deterrant to walking/biking 19% cite Safety and 13% condition of the sidewalks.

COMMENTS:

Takes too long to walk (35 minutes) and in winter the sidewalks are often not cleared very well making walking ever harder. Too dangerous to ride a bike in winter plus cannot ride in a skirt and I have a lot of files to carry back and forth.

Sometimes don't walk when too cold and sidewalks not plowed

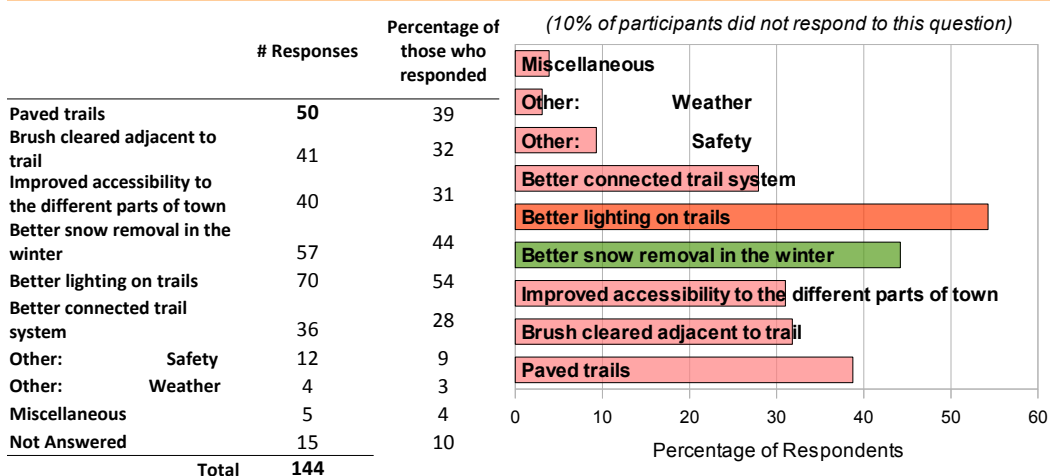
don't feel safe to walk to work in this community, here for work for one year and live 2 blocks away from the office but there are people out and about at 7:00 am that make me feel that its safer to drive.

No Excuses - Just Lazy :-)

not enough time

work clothes sweaty/no quick shower facility

3. What improvements would you need to see in the bike/trail system before you would use it.

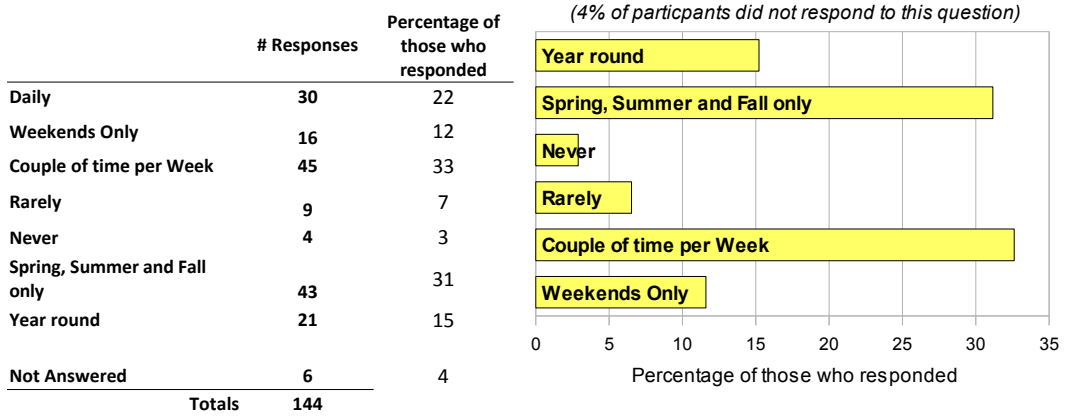


Over 50% would need to see Better lighting on trails. 44% would like to see Better snow removal in the winter

COMMENTS:

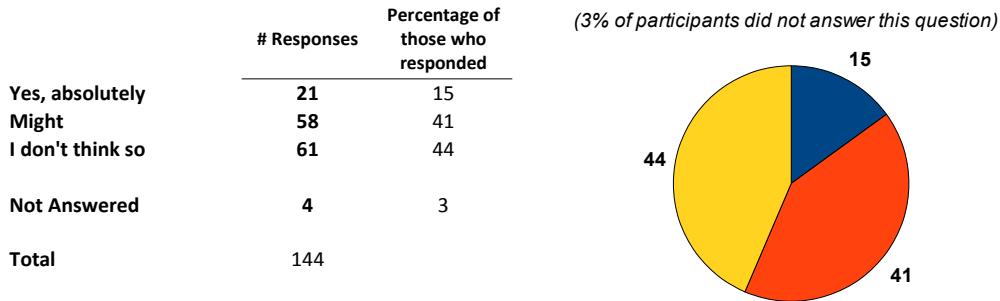
Increased understanding and ability to share the roadways on behalf of vehicle drivers
 More security re: Loiterers
 police action
 Police bike/walk patrol
 Feeling Safe
 for the most part I am satisfied with the trails. I walk with a dog, if I wasn't I wouldn't feel safe, regardless of lighting or brushing.
 more policing, less bums
 properly graded (no puddles)
 trail close to,not on, road
 I use the millennium trail there are some muddy areas and potholes but overall its a good trail. It would be better to have more garbage cans along the trail to help with the garbage issues as well as encourage people to pick up their dog poop
 no bike
 haven't used them for the above reason, cannot comment on the trails

4. If the bike/walking trail system were improved, how often would you use it for everyday travel.

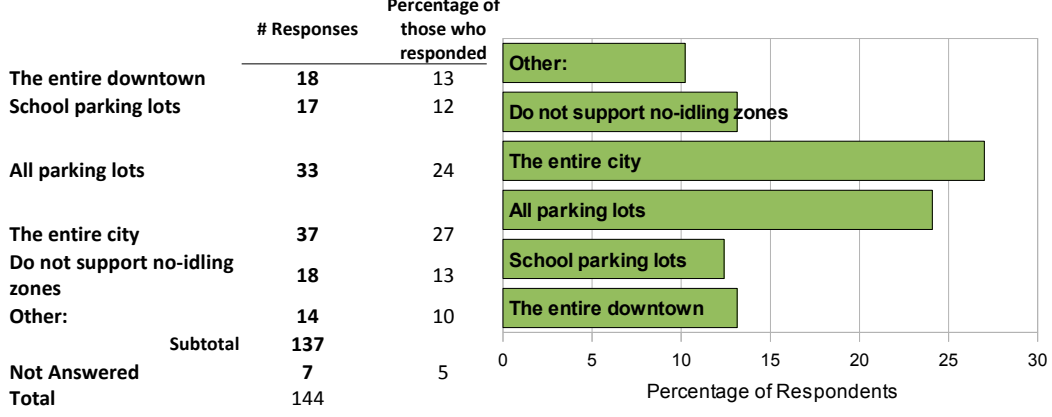


33% would use the bike/walking trail system a couple of times per week **31% would use the bike/walking trail system Spring, Summer and Fall only.** **Only 15% would use it year round**

5. If you could get a rebate on a wheelie bag to carry your groceries, etc. would it make a difference in how much you drive.



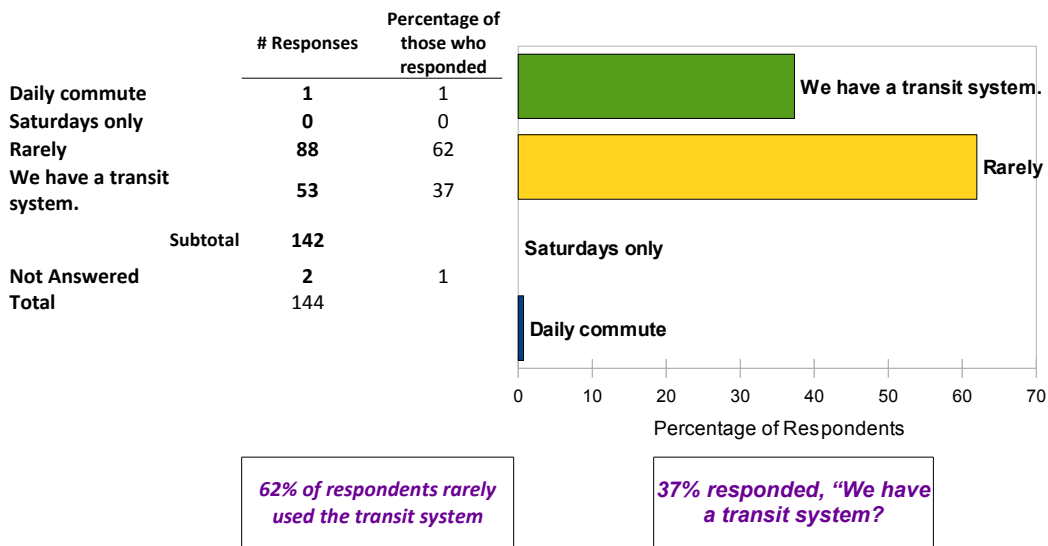
6. What areas of the city would you like to see designated as no-idling zones.



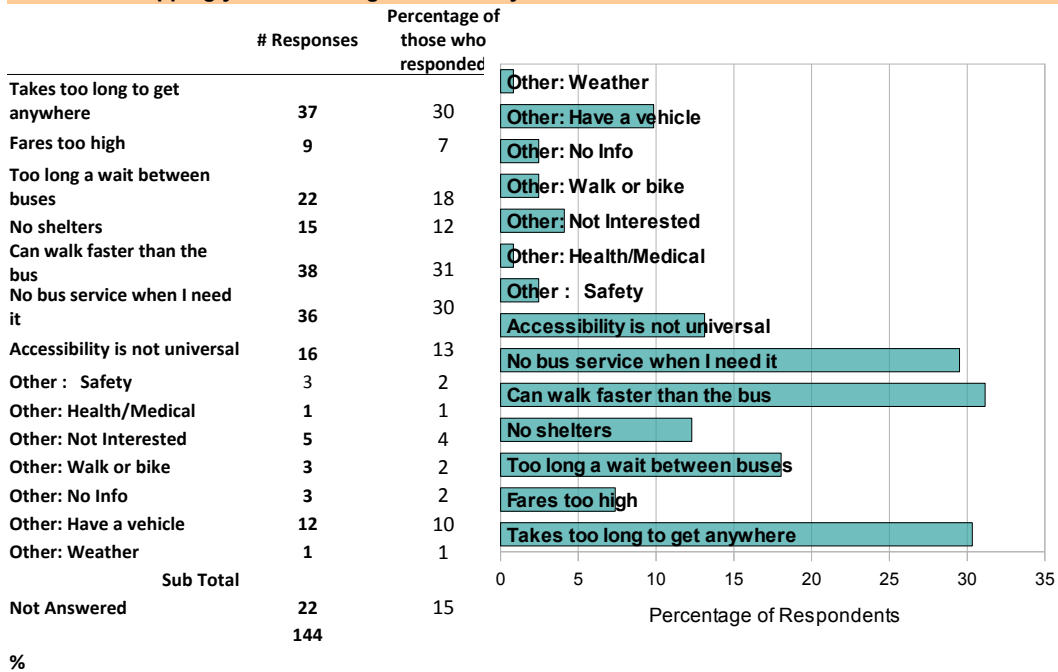
27% are in favour of the entire city designated as a no-idling zone

25% are in favour of all parking lots designated as no idling zones

7. How often do you use Thompson's transit sytem.



8. What is stopping you from using the transit system.



31% Can walk faster than the bus

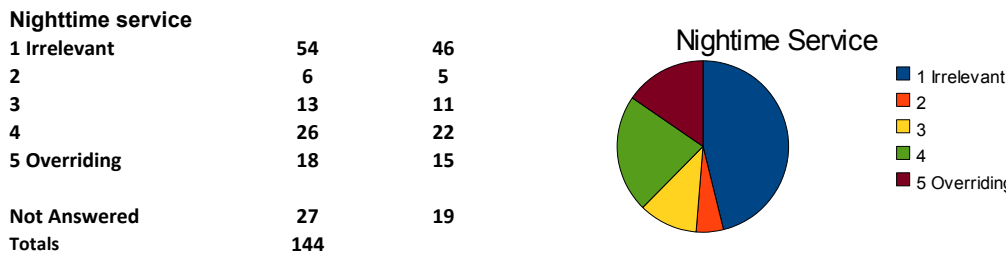
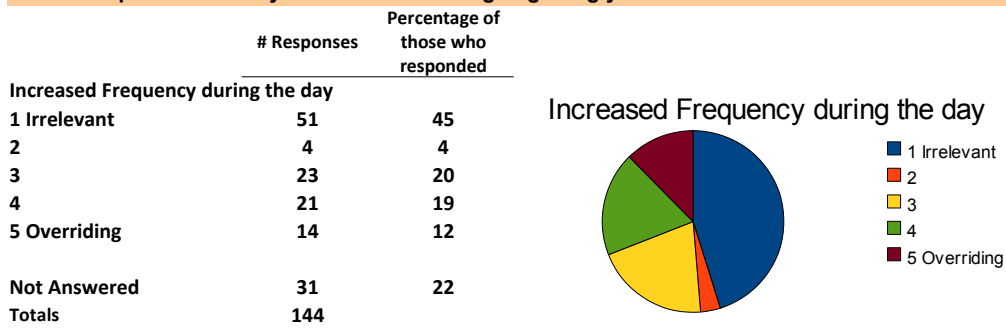
30% think it Takes too long to get anywhere

Another 30% have No bus service when I need it

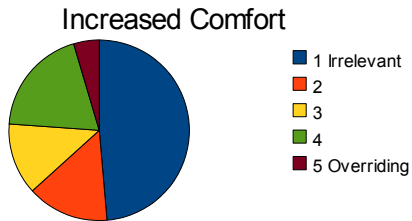
COMMENTS:

Doesn't operate evenings and weekends. And I do most of my business within walking distance of my home.
 No direct route to high school/work
 It's faster to bike
 Rowdy people
 When I worked at inco it was too far to walk but I would have used a bus if it had gone there.
 I have taken public transit my whole life and want to take buses here, but I never know when the bus is coming, there are hardly any shelters, and I have to take both buses to get to work which means it takes way too long. Also the buses stop running far too early. I often don't leave work until after 7 by which time there are no more buses.
 You need real transit buses not a Greyhound bus

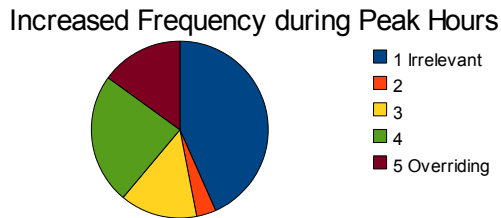
9. How important would you rate the following in getting you to use the bus.



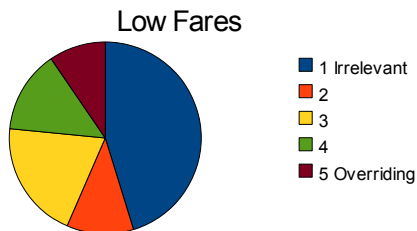
Increased Comfort		
1 Irrelevant	53	49
2	16	15
3	14	13
4	21	19
5 Overriding	5	5
Not Answered	35	24
Totals	144	



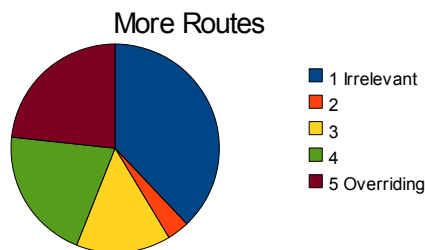
Increased Frequency during peak hours		
1 Irrelevant	49	43
2	4	4
3	16	14
4	27	24
5 Overriding	17	15
Not Answered	31	22
Totals	144	



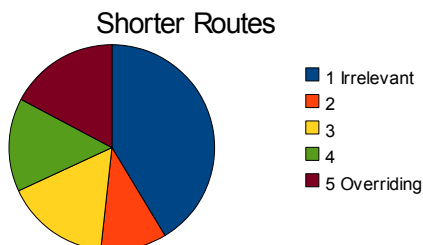
Low Fares		
1 Irrelevant	52	45
2	13	11
3	23	20
4	16	14
5 Overriding	11	10
Not Answered	29	20
Totals	144	



More Routes		
1 Irrelevant	44	38
2	4	3
3	17	15
4	24	21
5 Overriding	27	23
Not Answered	28	19
Totals	144	



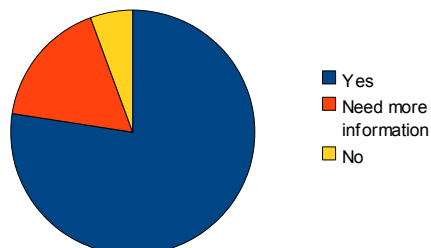
Shorter Routes		
1 Irrelevant	48	41
2	12	10
3	19	16
4	17	15
5 Overriding	20	17
Not Answered	28	19
Totals	144	



10. If a safe and active route to school could be provided for your children, would you encourage them to use it.

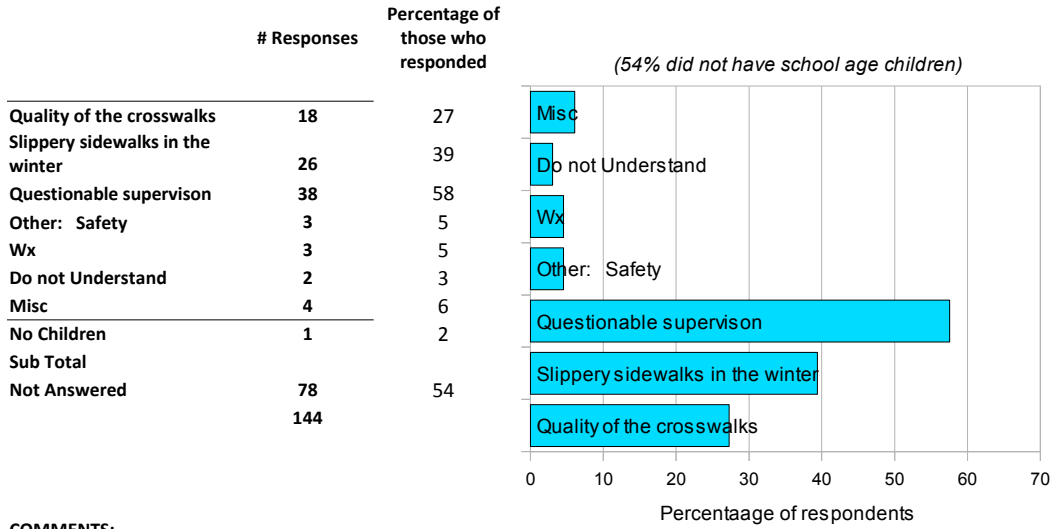
	# Responses	Percentage of those who responded	Percentage with Children
Yes	55	39	77
Need more information	12	9	17
No	4	3	6
Don't have school age children - Go to Question 12	70	50	
Subtotal	141		
Not Answered	3	2	
Total	144		

Does not include those who do not have children



77% of Respondents would encourage their children to use an Safe and Active Route to School

11. Check off below what would prevent you from letting your child use a "Walking School Bus".

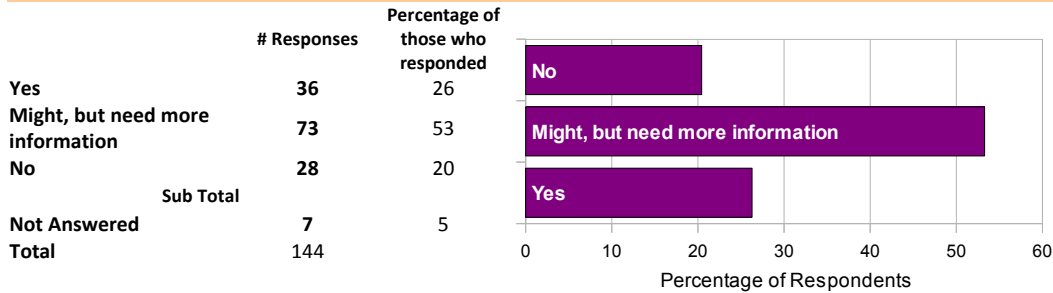


COMMENTS:

no/inaccessible sidewalks
 safety, lighting in winter
 Long walks in cold. prefer crosswalk guards
 crazy drivers in there 4x4's
 Carry Large Musical Instruments
 teenagers

Questionable supervision, slippery sidewalks and the quality of the crosswalks are the three main impediments to utilizing a Walking School Bus

12. Would you be interested in participating in an Eco-Driving workshop where you would learn to save money and reduce greenhouse gases.

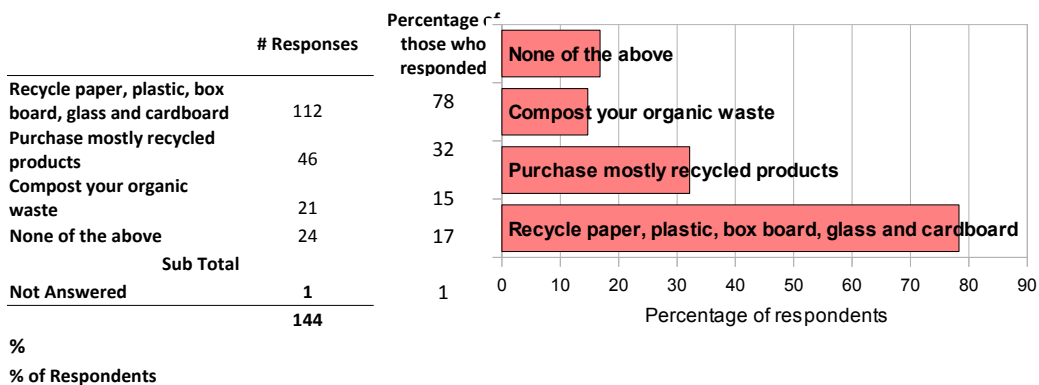


13. If hybrid vehicles were available and could be serviced in Thompson, how likely is it that you would purchase one.

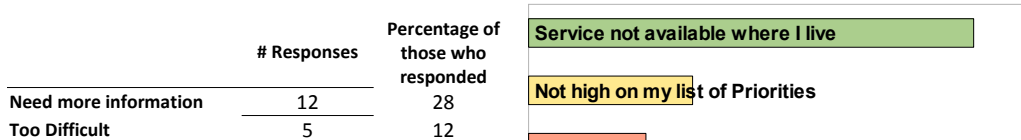


WHEN YOU THROW SOMETHING AWAY WHERE IS "AWAY"?

14. Do you currently ...



15. If you do not recycle, what is stopping you.

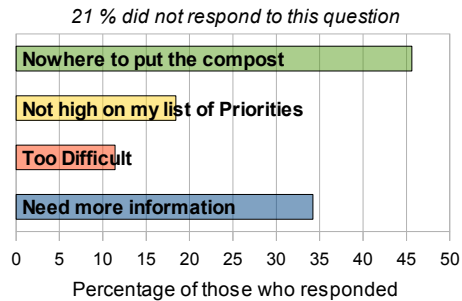


Not high on my list of Priorities	7	16
Service not available where I live	19	44
Not Answered	101	70
	144	



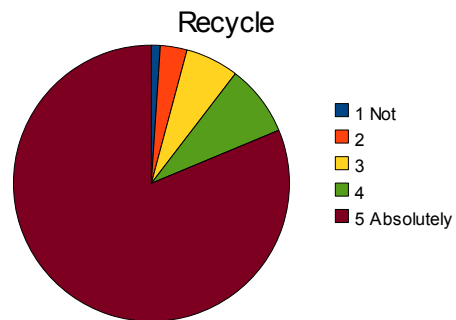
16. If you do not compost, what is stopping you.

	# Responses	Percentage of those who responded
Need more information	39	34
Too Difficult	13	11
Not high on my list of Priorities	21	18
Nowhere to put the compost	52	46
Not Answered	30	21
	144	



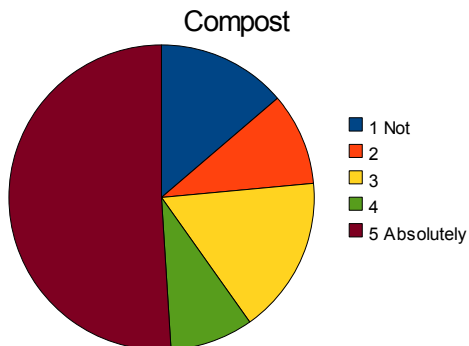
17. If recycling and/or composting services are currently not available where you live, how likely is it that you would use them if they became available.

	# Responses	Percentage of those who responded
Recycle		
1 Not	1	1
2	3	3
3	6	6
4	8	8
5 Absolutely	78	81
Not Answered	48	33
	144	



Over 80% of those who do not have recycling services WOULD recycle if they could!

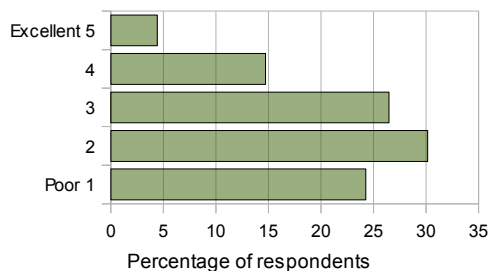
	# Responses	Percentage of those who responded
Compost		
1 Not	14	14
2	10	10
3	17	17
4	9	9
5 Absolutely	52	51
Not Answered	42	29
	144	



Over 50% would compost if facilities were available.

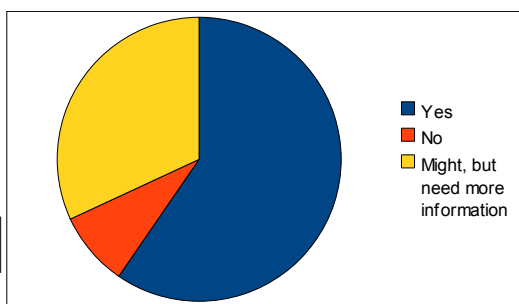
18. How would you rate the recycling system in Thompson.

	# Responses	Percentage of those who responded
Poor 1	33	24
2	41	30
3	36	26
4	20	15
Excellent 5	6	4
Not Answered	8	6
	144	



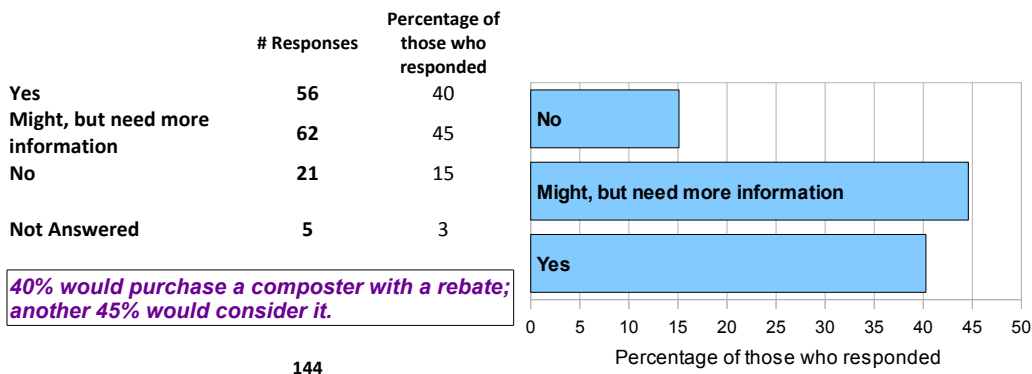
19. Would you support a neighbourhood composting initiative.

	# Responses	Percentage of those who responded
Yes	84	60
No	12	9
Might, but need more information	45	32
Not Answered	3	2
	144	

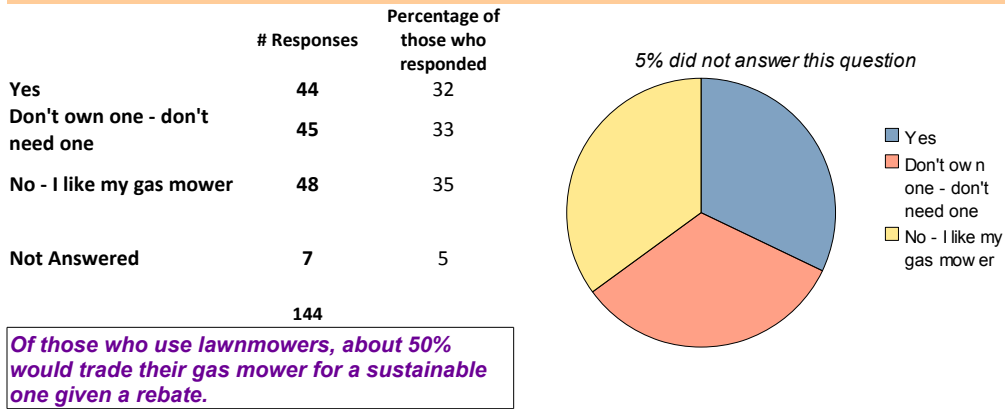


60% of respondents would support a neighbourhood composting initiative.

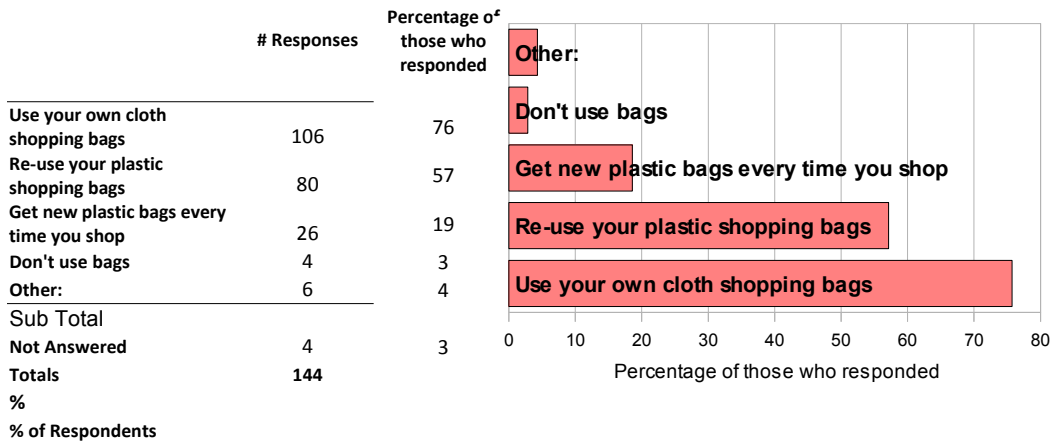
20. If the City were to offer a rebate on a composter, would you purchase one and use it.



21. If the City gave a rebate on a new electric lawnmower, would you trade in your old gas mower.



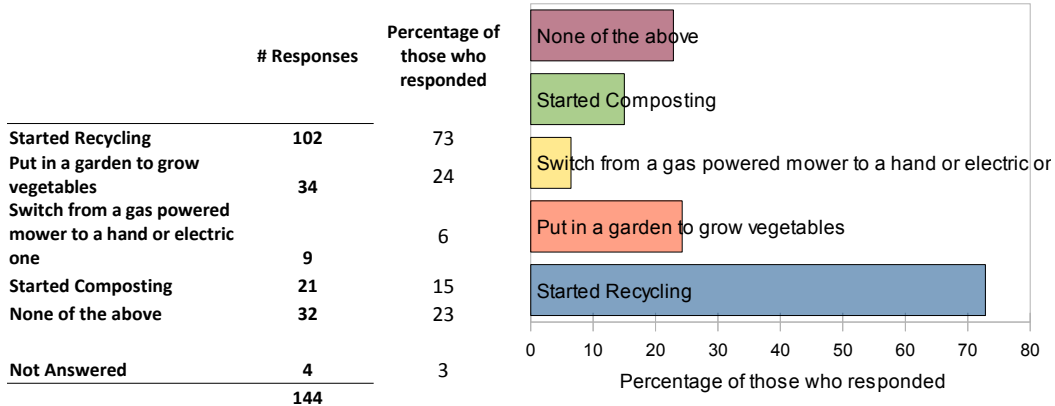
22. Do you currently ...



COMMENTS:

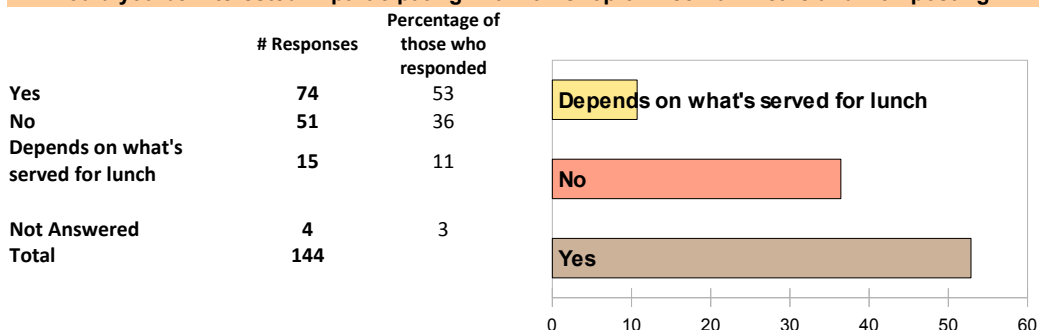
Depends if I remember or not - try to bring reusable bags...
I would like Thompson to go bagless. IF Leaf Rapids can do it so can we.

23. Since 2003, have you ...



Over 70% have started composting since 2003.

24. Would you be interested in participating in a workshop on Eco-Lawn care and Composting.

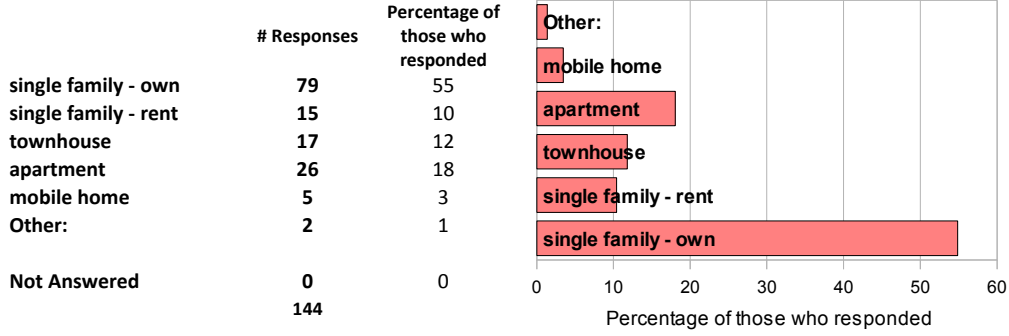


Over 50% would participate in an Eco-lawn care and Composting workshop.

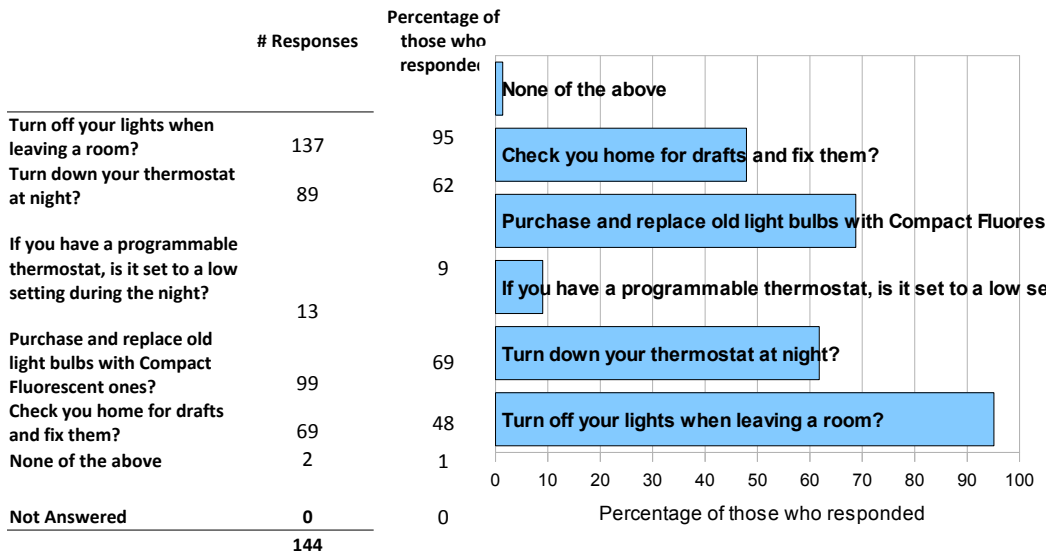
Percentage of those who responded

HOME, SWEET HOME

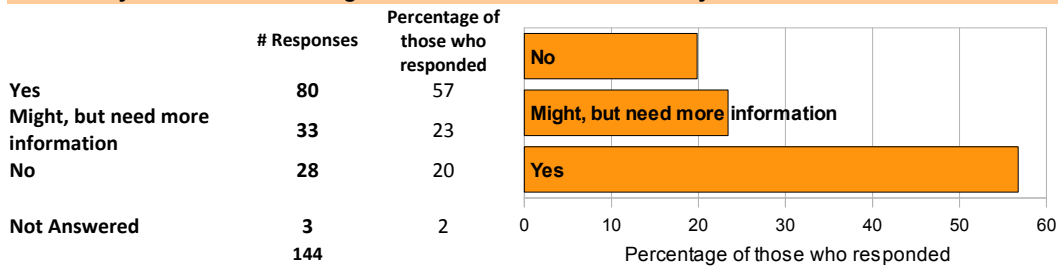
25. What type of home do you live in.



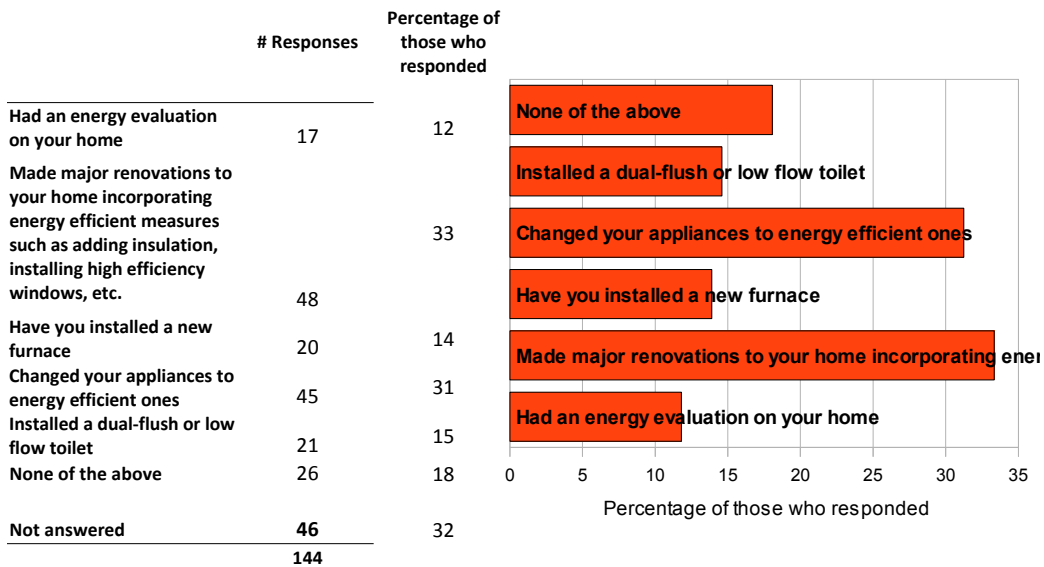
26. Do you regularly...



27. Would you consider installing a dual-flush or low-flow toilet in your home.



28. If you are a homeowner, since 2003 have you ...

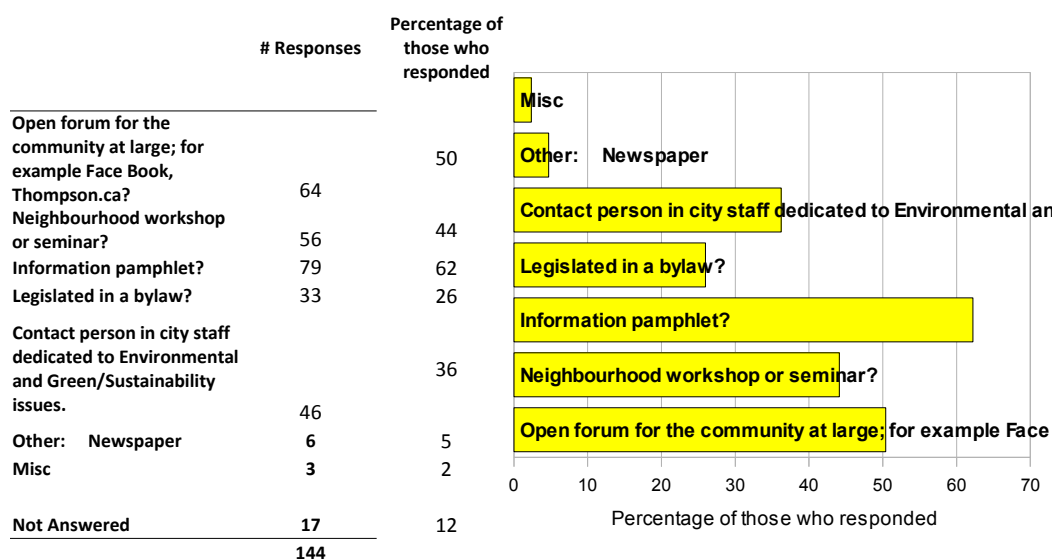


%
% of Respondents

YOUR TURN

Tell us exactly what you think or want to see in Thompson.

29. If you need more information on any of the topics dealt with above, how would you like to receive it.

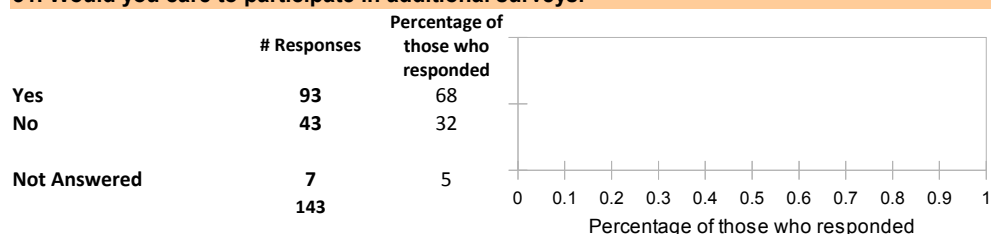


I find getting the information about events is lacking. Often things are not posted on web or lack detail
 Open forum for the community at large; for example Face Book, Thompson.ca., Neighbourhood works
 weekly "How to .." in the Paper
 I'll drive less if it is safer out. one person on the city has a bleeding heart for the homeless drunks.

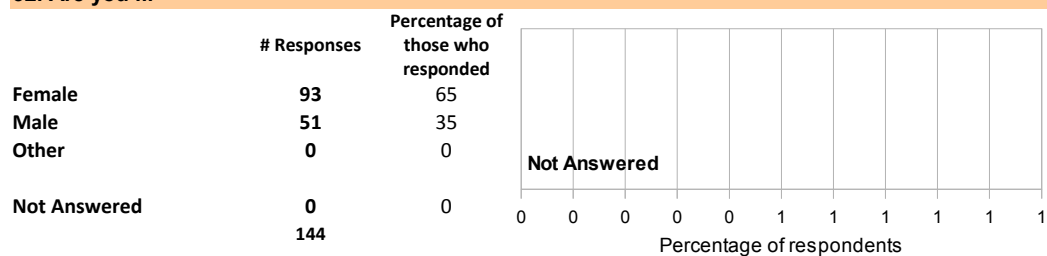
Question 30. YOUR TURN

Comments

31. Would you care to participate in additional surveys.



32. Are you ...



33. What is your age group.

