



2011 Community Survey Results Presentation



Introduction & Objectives

- The following presents the findings from the 2011 Community Survey conducted by Foundation Research Group (FRG) on behalf of the City of Burlington.
- This is the sixth wave of the Burlington Quality of Services Survey. The survey was first conducted in 1998 and then repeated in 2001, 2003, 2006, and 2008.
- In the 2011 wave, FRG took over the provision of research services for the study and made some adjustments to the survey instrument in consultation with the City.
- In 2011, new questions have been added surrounding the City's existing and potential spending priority areas as well as preferred communication methods between the City and residents and feedback methods.

Methodology

- The survey is based on a random and representative sample of 752 Burlington residents aged 18 or older.
- The survey was conducted via telephone between April 4 11, 2011. In order to compare results at the ward level, over-sampling was employed to ensure a total of 125 interviews were obtained within each of the 6 city wards.
- The overall data has been weighted by ward to be representative of the City and is accurate to within +/-3.6%, 19 times out of 20. The margin of error will be higher at the ward level and among other sub-groups of the population.

- Overall, residents remain pleased with life in Burlington and despite some changes from 2008, results overall remain positive. A majority of residents rate Burlington highly as a place to live and are satisfied with services overall.
- Residents continue to place high importance on most city services, with snow clearing from roads and road maintenance continuing to top the list. However, more importance is being placed on all services, particularly, parking, community centres and arenas.
- Overall, usage has dramatically increased for most services since 2008. Community centres, arenas, and regular and special transit have all seen an increase in usage since 2008.

- New to the survey this year was requiring all respondents to answer the satisfaction question, even if they have not used the service. FRG continued to report satisfaction amongst users for historical tracking purposes.
- Satisfaction with services varies widely. Satisfaction with clearing of snow from city roads, clearing of snow from city sidewalks and regular transit increased since 2008.
- Satisfaction with other services has remained stable.

- FRG has assessed importance in two ways: Derived and Stated Importance.
 Depending on how you determine importance, the gap analysis will reveal different sets of priorities for 2011.
- Assuming that **Derived** Importance is a more reliable measure of Importance, Special Transit, Regular Transit and Clearing Snow from City Sidewalks are the three main priorities areas for improvement for 2011.
- Using Stated Importance as the more reliable measure, however, reveals that
 Maintenance and Condition of City Roads, Clearing Snow for City Sidewalks, and
 Availability of Public Parking emerge as the three main priorities areas for
 improvement for 2011.
- FRG would advocate using derived importance as the more reliable measure of importance and would focus on improving Special Transit, Regular Transit and Clearing Snow from city Sidewalks.



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- In terms of satisfaction amongst users and non-users, the purpose of asking non-users the satisfaction questions was to determine if there were any barriers preventing them from using services, such as hours of operation, location, bus routes, fees, or features. There were only three services or programs that had sufficient response for analysis.
- Users of Regular Transit were most likely to cite long wait times at bus stops / late buses as a prime reason for service dissatisfaction (37%) whereas those residents who do not use the service were most likely to cite a lack of buses / infrequent services, or a lack or routes / routes don't reach where needed (18% each).

- The majority of On-road Bike Lane users cite a lack of bike lanes as their main reason for dissatisfaction with the City of Burlington's provision of On-road Bike Lane services, whereas non-users were more likely to cite a bevy of reasons related to perceived bicycle hazards, nuisances, and traffic law violations as a reason for dissatisfaction with On-road Bike Lanes.
- Most users of Off-road Bike Lanes were dissatisfied with the lack of bike paths in their area (41%) while non-users were more concerned with bike paths not being used (11%) or a lack of awareness of bike paths (8%).

- Residents in Ward 1 were significantly more likely to consider the maintenance and condition of City roadsides to be important when compared to those from wards 5 & 6 (82%, compared to 72%, 68%).
- Residents from Ward 1 were significantly more likely than those from Ward 4 & Ward 6 to consider regular transit services important (56%, compared to 36%, 36%).
- Those from Ward 1 were significantly more likely than those from Wards 3 & 6 to place importance on On-road bike lanes (47% compared to 33% and 35%).
- Residents living in Wards 1 & 2 were significantly more likely to show increased satisfaction for snow clearing from City roads when compared to those living in Ward 6 (80%, 82%, compared to 65%)





Summary of Significant Findings by Ward, Gender, Age



- Residents in Ward 1 were significantly more likely to consider the maintenance and condition of City roadsides to be important when compared to those from wards 5 & 6 (82% compared to 72%, 68%).
- Residents from Ward 1 were significantly more likely than those from Ward 4 & Ward 6 to consider regular transit services important (56% compared to 36%, 36%).
- Those from Ward 1 were significantly more likely than those from Wards 3 & 6 to place importance on On-road bike lanes (47% compared to 33% and 35%).
- Residents in Ward 1 were significantly more likely to be satisfied with special transit services when compared to those in Ward 6 (59%, compared to 39%).
- Residents of Ward 1 were significantly more satisfied with on-road bike lanes when compared to those living in Ward 3 (58%, compared to 42%).



- Residents in Ward 2 were significantly more likely to consider the maintenance and condition of City roadsides to be important when compared to those from wards 5 & 6 (85%, compared to 72%, 68%).
- Residents from Ward 2 were significantly more likely than those from Ward 4 & Ward 6 to consider regular transit services important (57%, compared to 36%, 36%).
- Those residing in Ward 2 were significantly more likely to consider special transit services important when compared to those in Wards 3, 4, 5 and 6 (59% compared to 42%, 35%, 39%, 39%).
- Those residing in Ward 2 were significantly more likely than those in Ward 6 to consider the availability of public parking important (80% compared to 64%).
- Those residing in Ward 2 were significantly more likely than those in Wards 1, 3, 5 and 6 to consider the parks, open space and sports fields important (94% compared to 82%, 85%, 82% and 82% respectively).



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- Those from Ward 2 were significantly more likely than those from Wards 3 & 6 to place importance on On-road bike lanes (54% compared to 33% and 35%).
- Residents living in Ward 2 were significantly more likely than those in Wards 3, 4, or 6 to make use of regular transit on a regular basis (34%, compared to 15%, 15%, 19% respectively).
- Residents in Ward 2 were significantly more likely than those living in Wards 3 & 6
 to make use of public parking on a daily basis (72%, compared to 54% each).
- Those living in Ward 2 were significantly more likely to make use of on-road bike Lanes when compared to residents of Ward 3 (32%, compared to 17%).
- And finally, those living in Ward 2 were significantly more likely than those in Wards 1 & 5 to make use of off-road multi-use Bike Paths (40% compared to 24% each).



- Residents living in Ward 2 were significantly more likely to show increased satisfaction for snow clearing from City roads when compared to those living in Ward 6 (82%, compared to 65%).
- Those living in Ward 2 were significantly more likely than those living in Ward 6 to show high satisfaction levels for regular transit (62%, compared to 46%).
- Residents in Ward 2 were significantly more likely to be satisfied with special transit services when compared to those in Ward 6 (64%, compared to 39%).
- Finally, those living in Ward 2 were significantly more satisfied with off-road multi-use bike paths when compared to those in Ward 6 (76%, compared to 60%).

- Residents from Ward 3 were significantly more likely than those from Wards 1 & 6
 to consider clearing of snow from city roads important (99%, compared to 93%
 and 91%).
- Residents in Ward 3 were significantly more likely to be satisfied with special transit services when compared to those in Ward 6 (58%, compared to 39%).

- Residents living in Ward 4 were significantly more likely to consider Burlington to be an excellent or very good place to live when compared to those living in Wards 1 & 2 (92%, compared to 80%, 82% respectively).
- Residents from Ward 4 were significantly more likely than those from Wards 1 and 6 to consider clearing of snow from city roads important (99%, compared to 93% and 91%).
- Those living in Ward 4 were significantly more likely than those in Wards 1 & 5 to make use of off-road multi-use Bike Paths (42% compared to 24% each),

- Residents in Ward 5 were significantly more likely to be satisfied with special transit services when compared to those in Ward 6 (55%, compared to 39%).
- Residents living in Ward 5 were significantly more satisfied with City community centres when compared to those from Ward 1 (93%, compared to 80%).

- Those residents living in Ward 6 were significantly more likely to make use of city arenas on a regular basis when compared to those living in Wards 1, 3, and 5 (34%, compared to 20%, 17%, 17% respectively).
- Residents living in Ward 6 were significantly more likely to make use of community centres on a regular basis when compared to those living in Ward 4 (34%, compared to 28%).

Significant Findings by Gender

Female

• Women were significantly more likely than men to consider clearing of snow from city roads important (98%, compared to 93%).

Male

- Men were more likely than women to make use of city arenas on a regular basis (29%, compared to 18%).
- Men were also significantly more likely than women to make use of on-road Bike Lanes (29%, compared to 17%).
- Men were significantly more satisfied than women with the availability of public parking (63%, compared to 52%).



- Those residents aged 18-34 were significantly more likely than those aged 55+ to rate the importance of City arenas as high (62% compared to 45%).
- Residents aged 18-34 were significantly more likely than those aged 35-54 or 55+ to give a high importance rating to off-road bike paths (61%, compared to 47%, 41%).
- Residents aged 18-34 or 35-54 were considerably more likely to make use of City arenas when compared to those aged 55+ (32%, 28% compared to 10%).
- Those residents aged 18-34 were more likely to make use of parks, open Spaces, and sports fields on a regular basis when compared to those aged 55+ (73%, compared to 49%).
- Residents aged 18-34 were significantly more likely than those aged 55+ to make use of off-road multi-use bike paths (42% compared to 20%).



- Residents aged 18-34 were significantly more satisfied with on-road bike lanes when compared to those aged 35-54 or 55+ (62%, compared to 47%, 46%).
- Those aged 18-34 were significantly more satisfied with off-road multi-use bike paths when compared to those aged 55+ (77% compared to 58%).

- Importance was significantly higher among those aged 35-54 when compared to those aged 55+ when it comes to City community centres (78%, compared to 68%).
- Residents aged 35-54 were significantly more likely than those aged 55+ to make use of regular transit (18%, compared to 11%).
- Those aged 35-54 were significantly more likely to make use of City arenas when compared to those aged 55+ (28%, compared to 10%).
- Residents aged 35-54 were also significantly more likely to make use of community centres on a regular basis when compared to those aged 55+ (39% compared to 25%).
- Those aged 35-54 were more likely to make use of parks, open spaces, and sports fields when compared to those aged 55+ (74% compared to 49%).



- Residents aged 35-54 were significantly more likely than those aged 55+ to make use of on-road bike lanes (29%, compared to 14%).
- Residents aged 35-54 were significantly more likely than those aged 55+ to make use of off-road multi-use bike paths (35%, compared to 20%).
- Those aged 35-54 were significantly more likely to show a high level of dissatisfaction with the availability of public parking when compared to those aged 18-34 (13%, compared to 3%).
- Those residents aged 35-54 were significantly more satisfied with City arenas when compared to residents aged 55+ (74%, compared to 62%).
- Those aged 35-54 were significantly more satisfied with off-road multi-use bike paths when compared to those residents aged 55 or older (70%, compared to 58%).



55+

- Residents aged 55+ were significantly more likely to rate importance high for special transit services when compared to those aged 35-54 (49%, compared to 34%).
- Those aged 55+ were significantly more likely than those age 18-34 to indicate they felt on-road bike lanes were unimportant (39%, compared to 26%).
- Those aged 55+ were significantly more likely to show a high level of dissatisfaction with the availability of public parking when compared to those aged 18-34 (16%, compared to 3%).



Key Findings



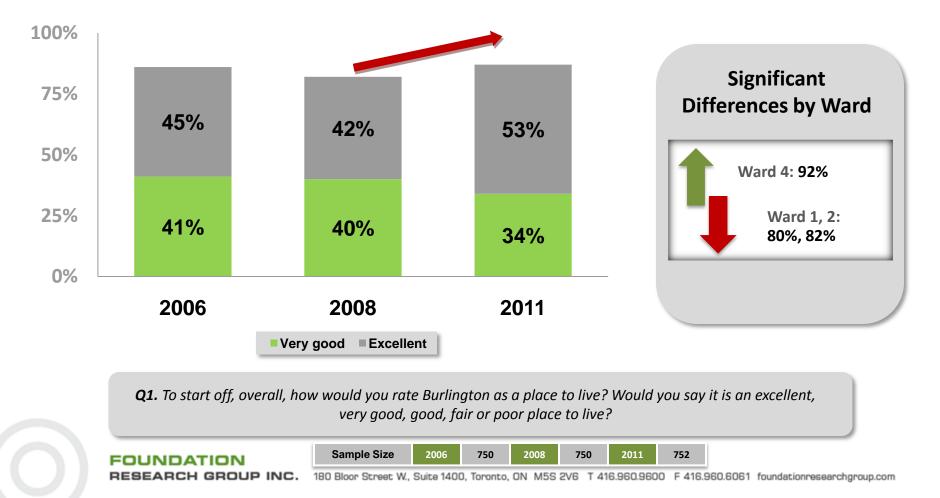
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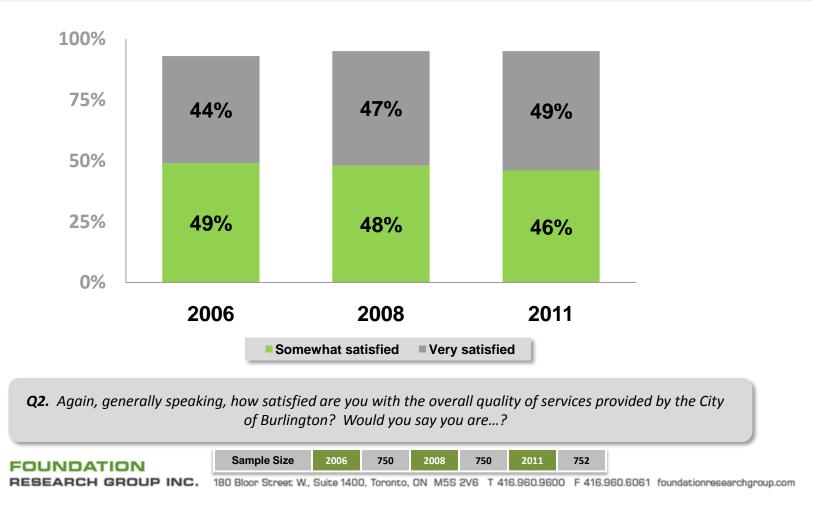
Overall Impression of City of Burlington as Place to Live & Satisfaction with Quality of Services Provided



Overall Impression of Burlington as Place to Live



Overall Satisfaction with Quality of Services Provided by City of Burlington



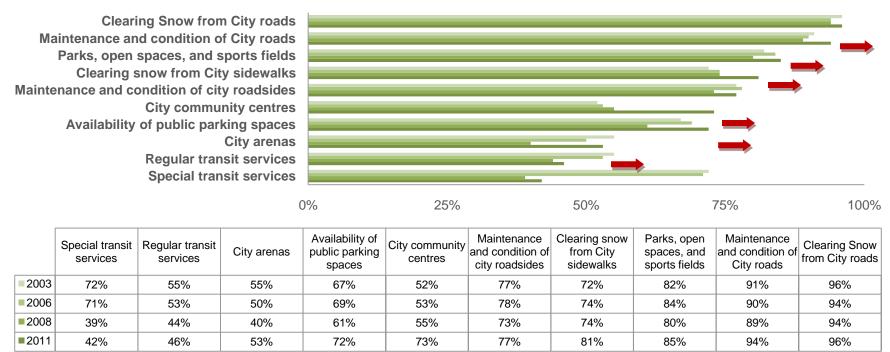


Service Importance



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Service Importance Summary



Top 2 box scores shown (Extremely Important, Very Important)

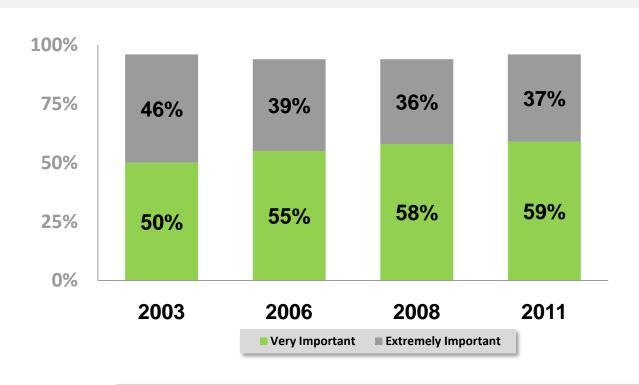
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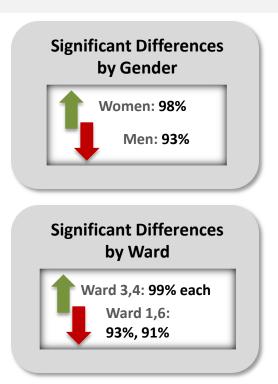
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Service Importance: Clearing Snow from City Roads





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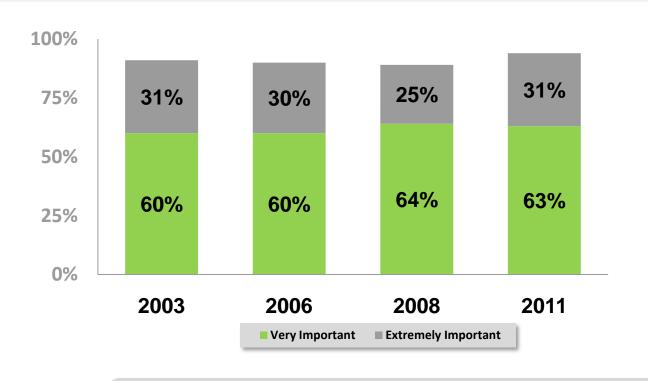
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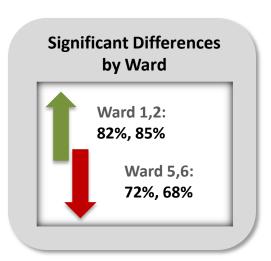
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Service Importance:

Maintenance & Condition of City Roads





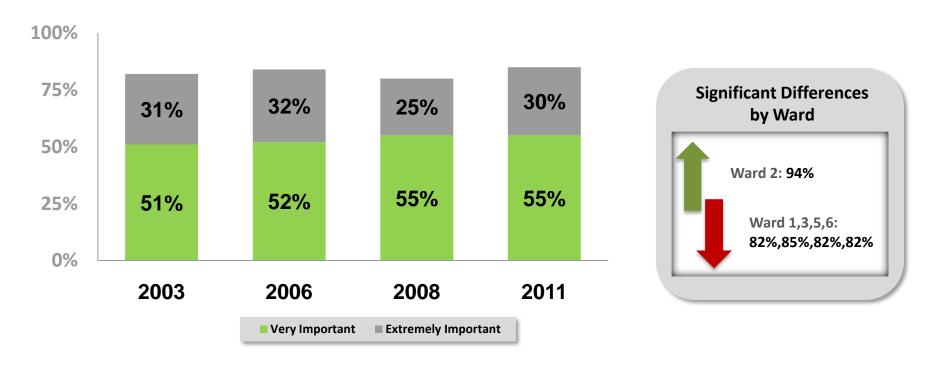
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Service Importance: Parks, Open Spaces, and Sports Fields



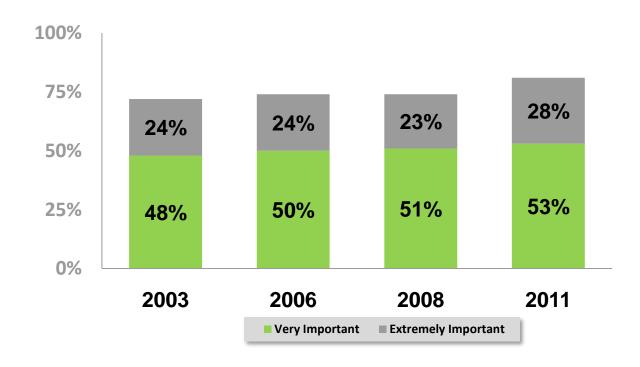
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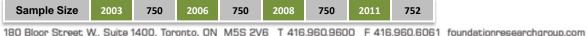
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Service Importance: Clearing Snow from City Sidewalks



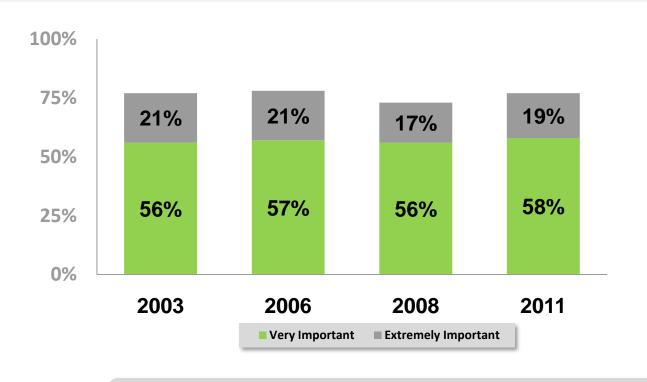
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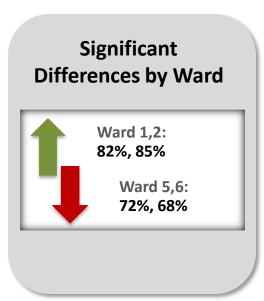




Service Importance:

Maintenance & Condition of City Roadsides





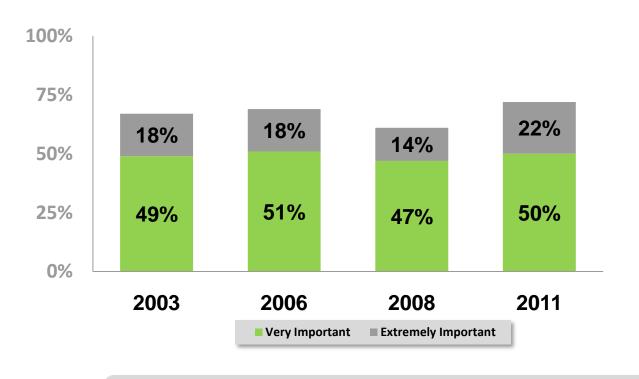
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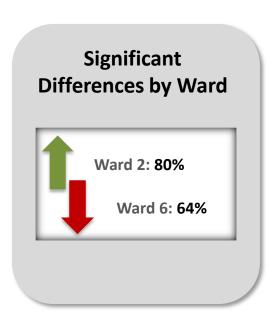
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Service Importance: Availability of Public Parking





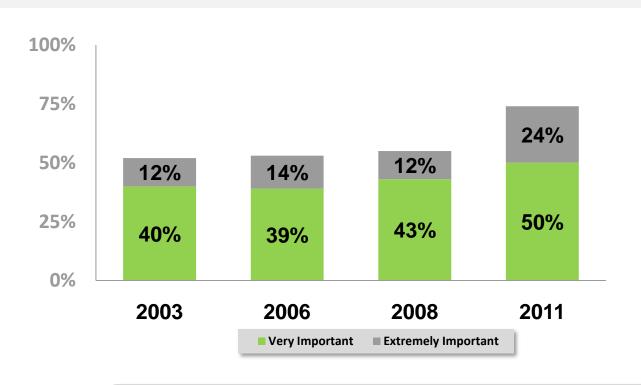
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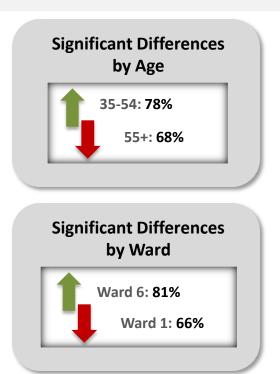
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Service Importance: City Community Centres





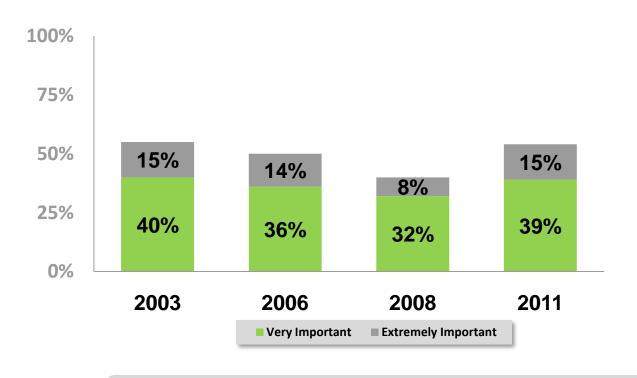
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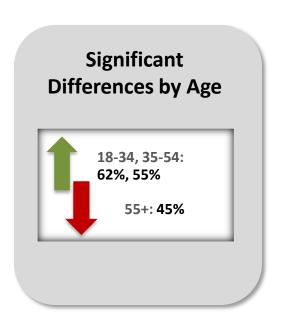
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Service Importance: City Arenas



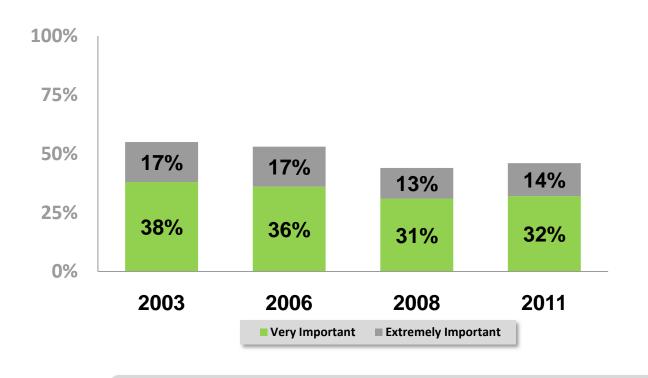


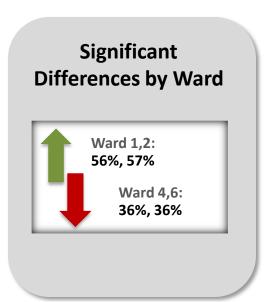
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Service Importance: Regular Transit Services



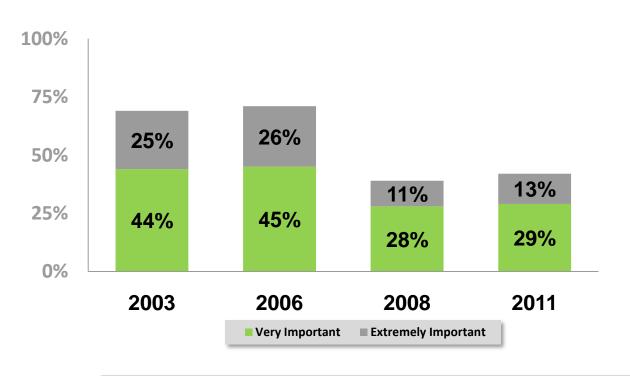


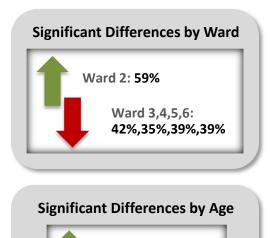
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Service Importance: Special Transit Services





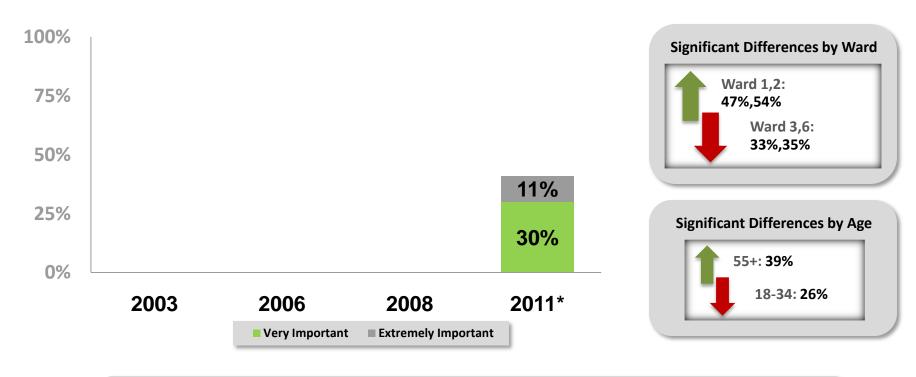


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Service Importance: On-road Bike Lanes



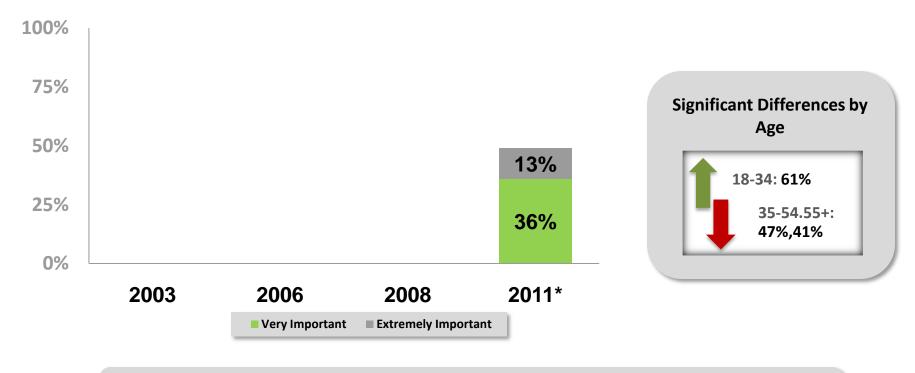
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Service Importance: Off-road Bike Paths



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Service Usage



Service Usage Summary



Top 2 box scores shown (At least once a day, At least once a week)

Q4. And, please tell me what BEST represents how often you and your household use the service or program – that is, if you use it at least once a day, once a week, once a month, once a year, or never use it all.*

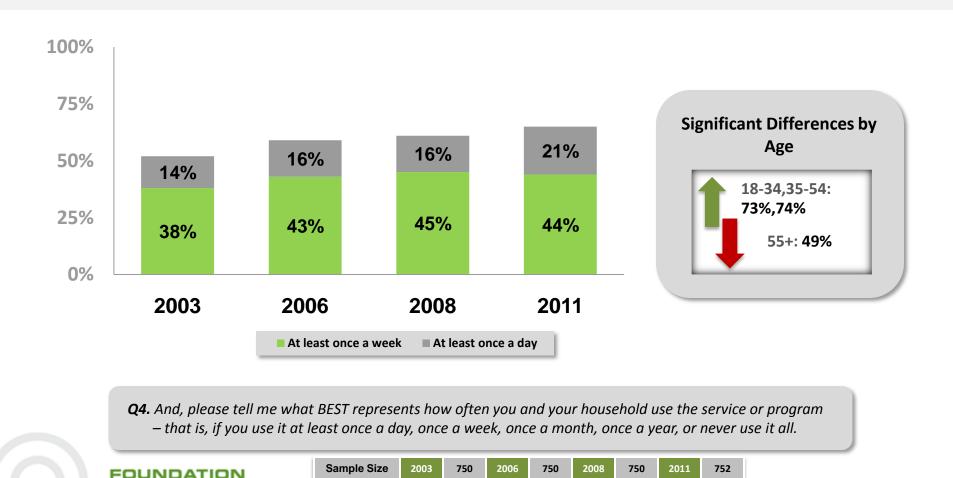
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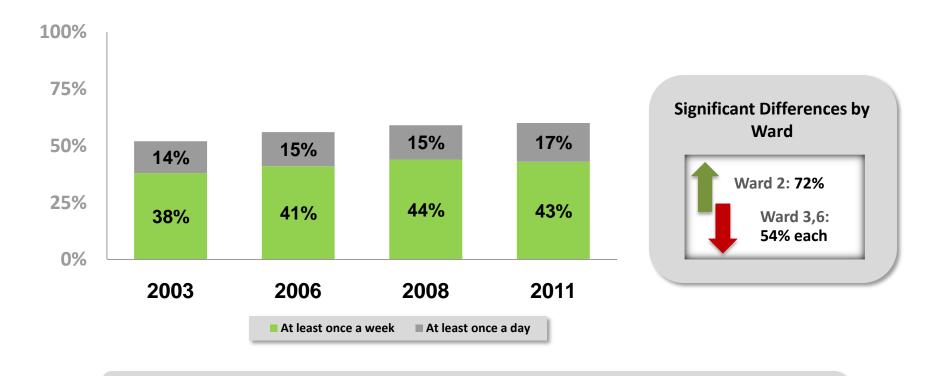
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Parks, Open Spaces, and Sports Fields



Service Usage: Public Parking Spaces

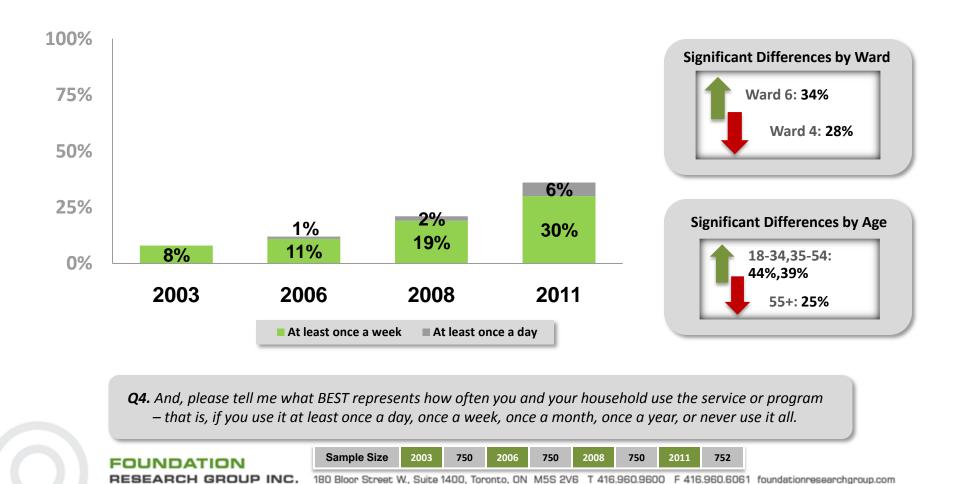


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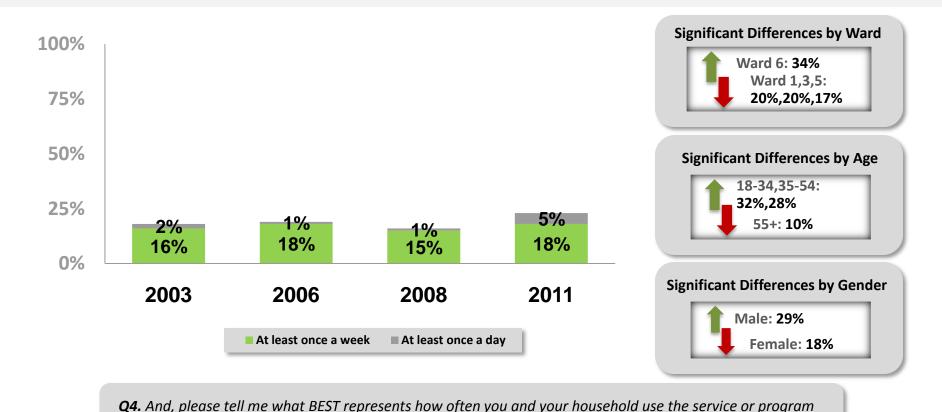
Service Usage: City Community Centres



Service Usage: City Arenas

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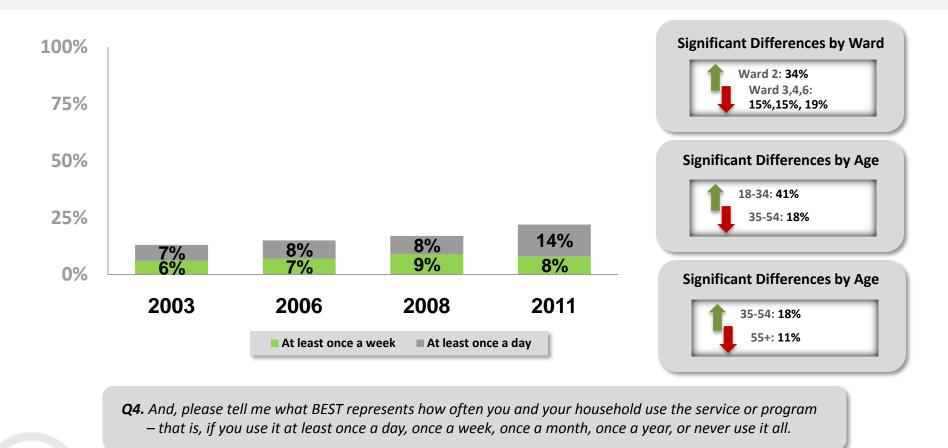
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Service Usage: Regular Transit

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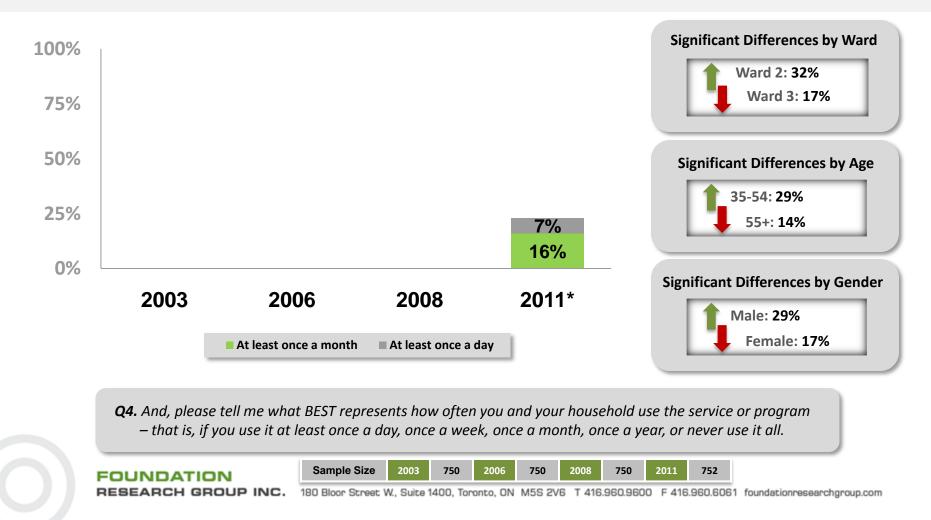
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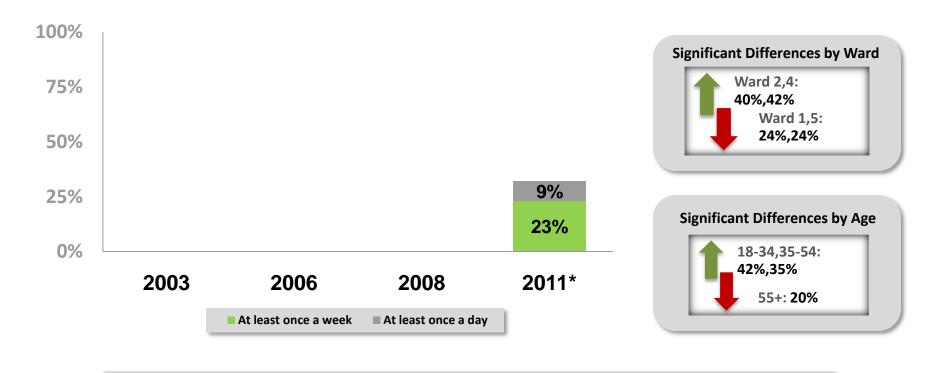
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Service Usage:On-road Bike Lanes



Service Usage: Off-road Bike Paths



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Service Satisfaction Summary



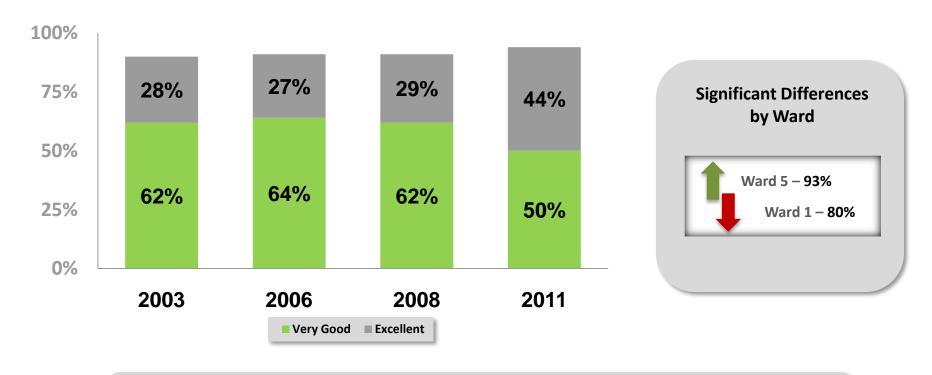
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Q5. And, thinking about your level of satisfaction with this service, how would you rate it – would that be excellent, good, fair, poor, or very poor? *





Service Satisfaction: City Community Centres



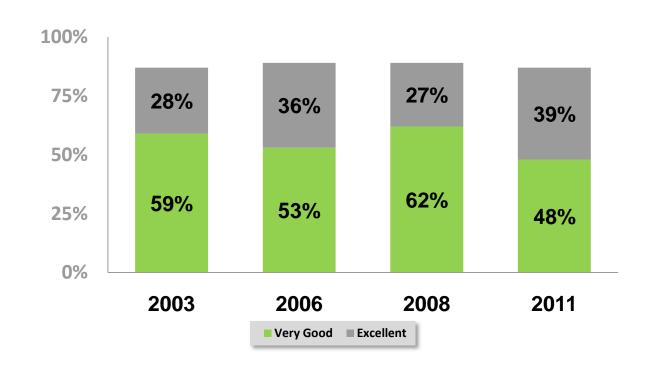
Q5. And, thinking about your level of satisfaction with this service, how would you rate it – would that be excellent, good, fair, poor, or very poor?

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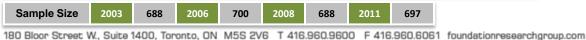
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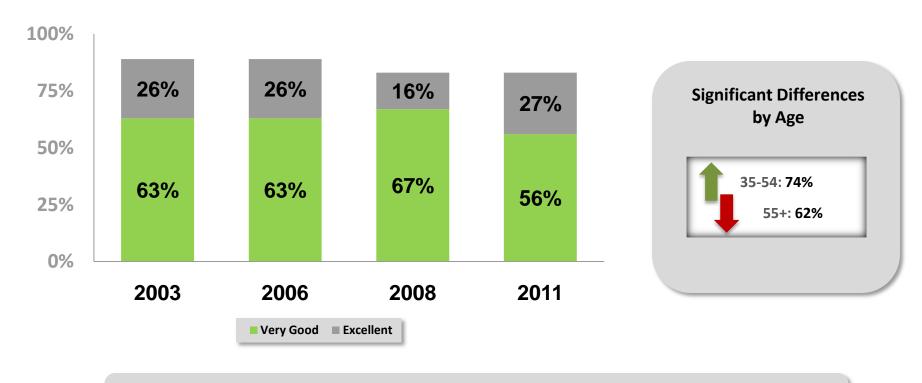


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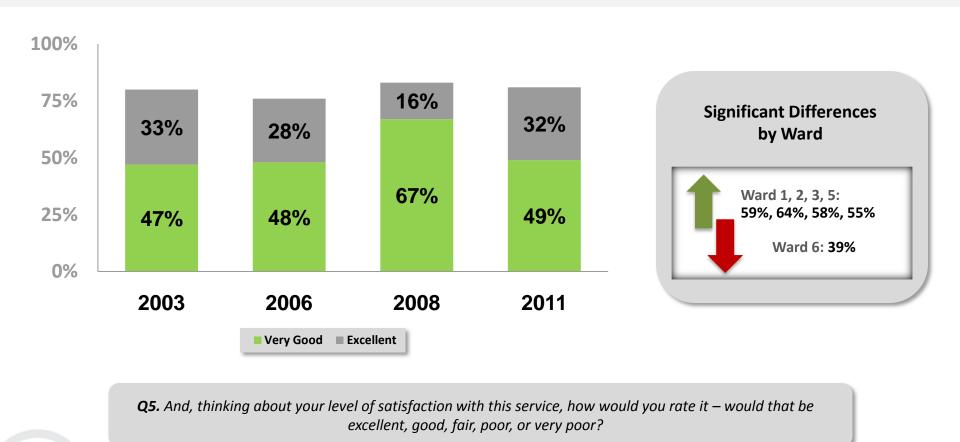
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Service Satisfaction: Special Transit Services



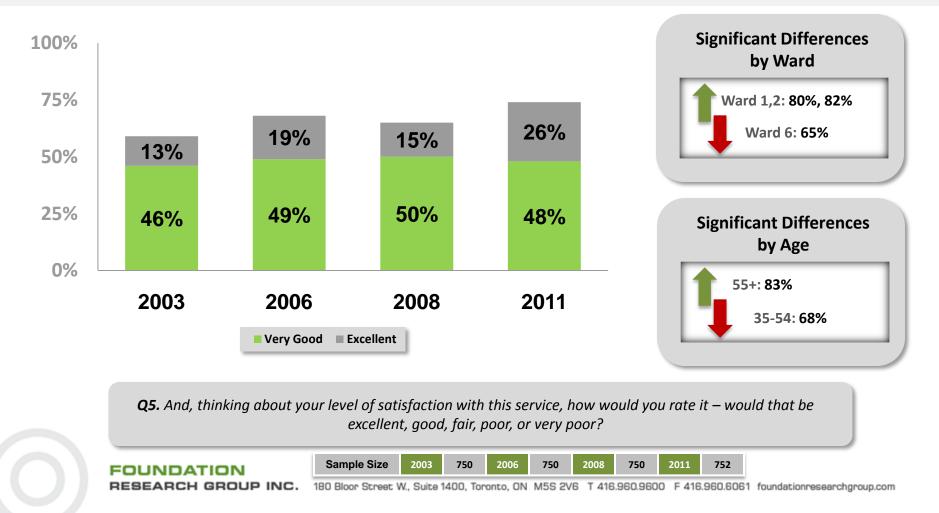
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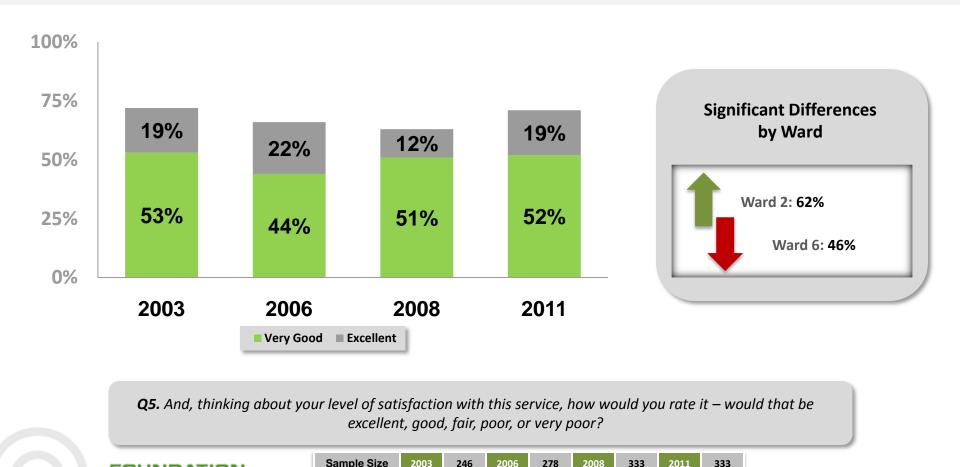
Service Satisfaction: Clearing Snow from City Roads



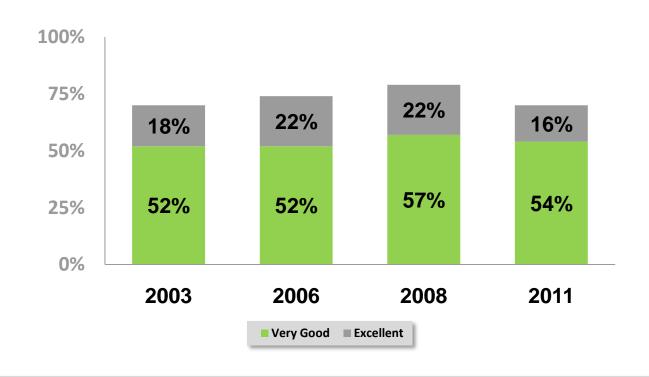
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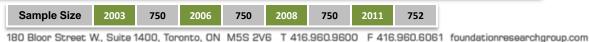


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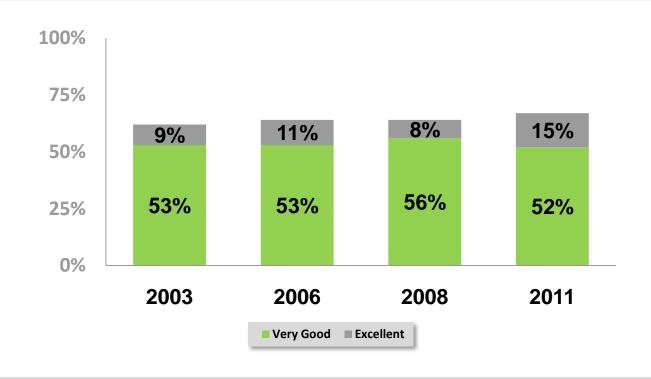


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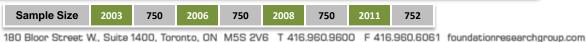


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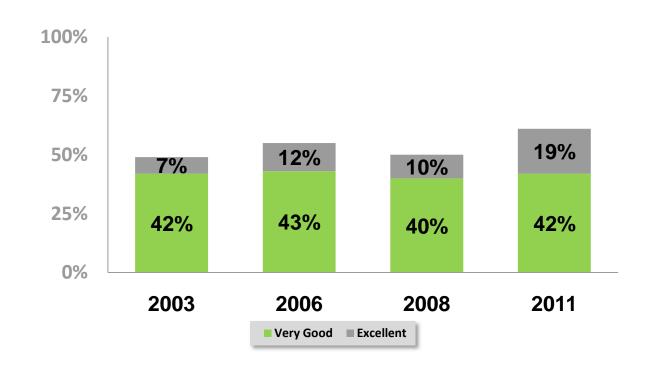


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Clearing Snow from City Sidewalks



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Availability of Public Parking

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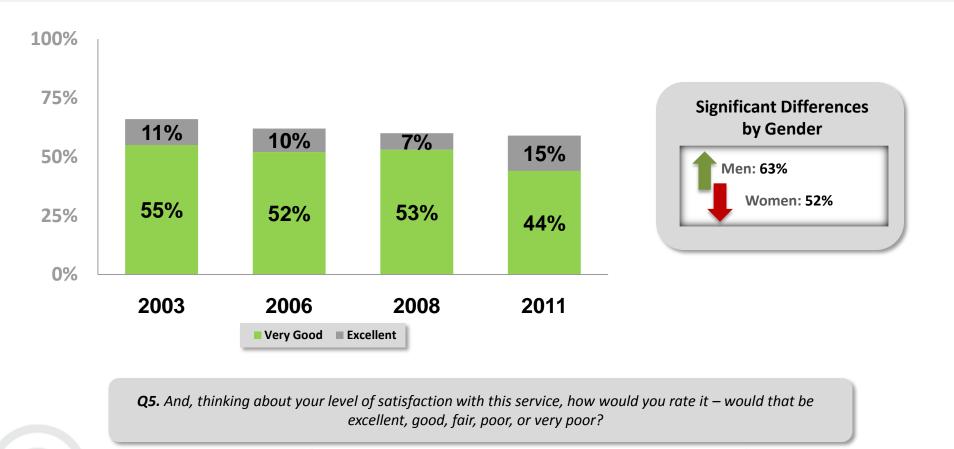
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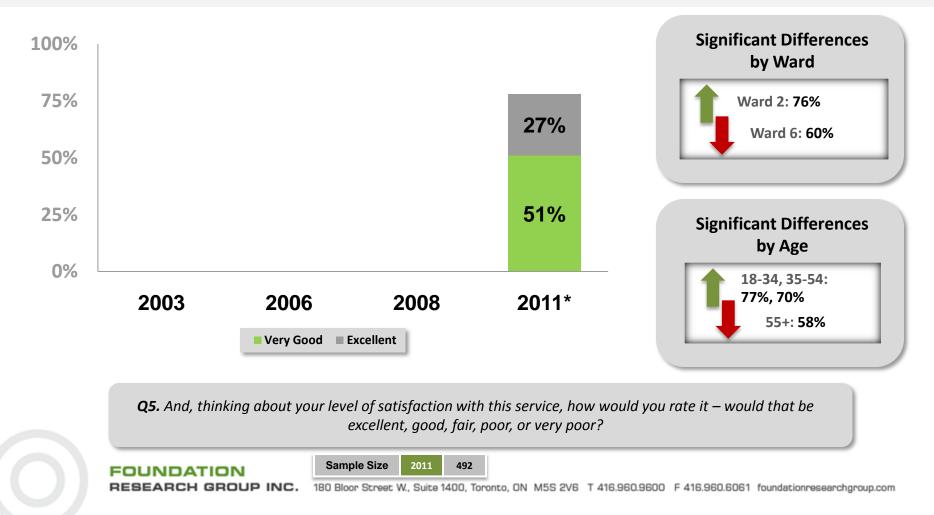
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Service Satisfaction:On-road Bike Lanes



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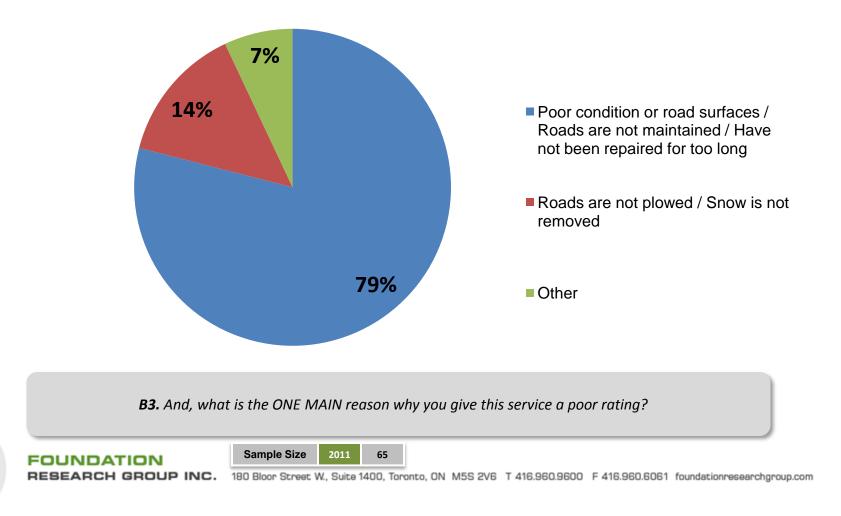


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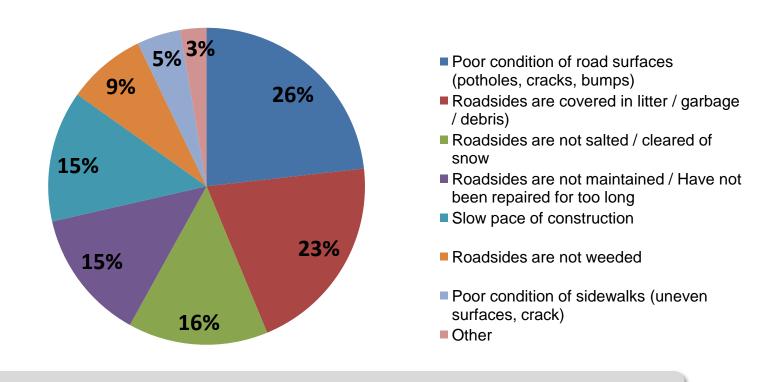


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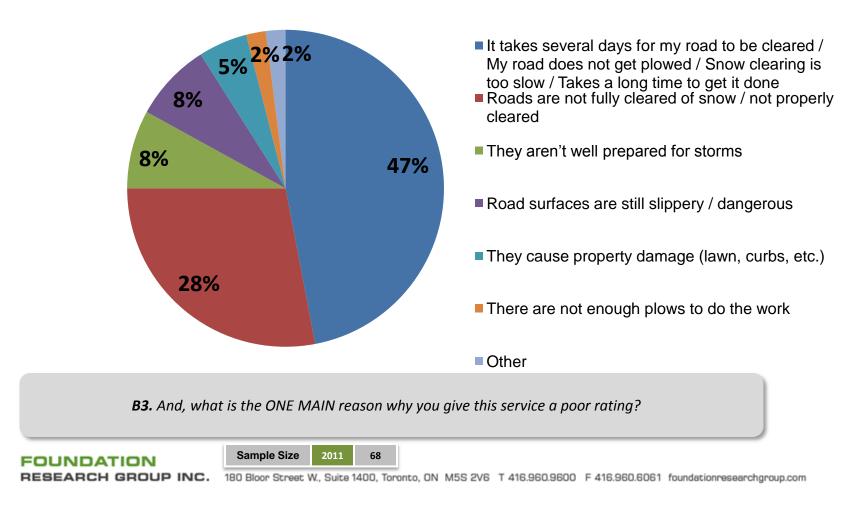


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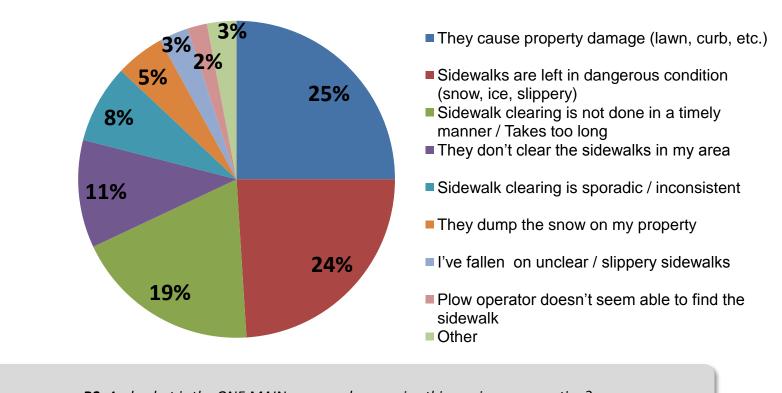




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Clearing Snow from City Sidewalks

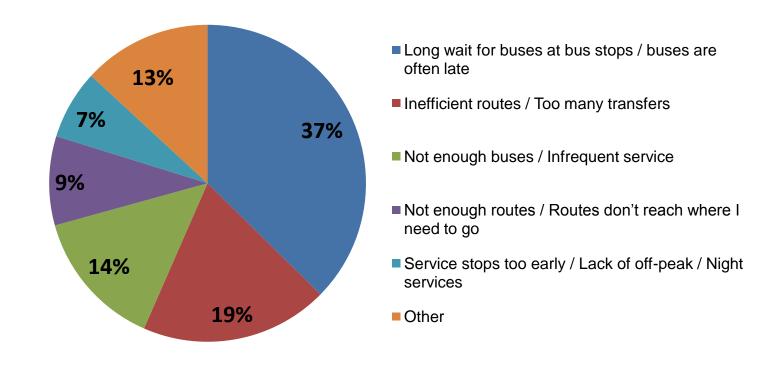


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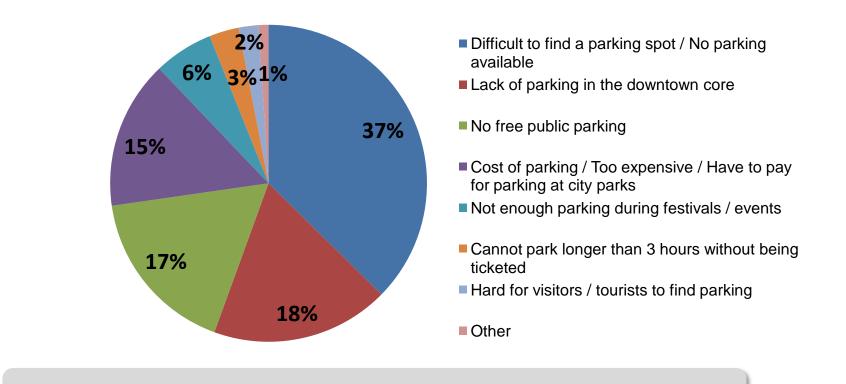


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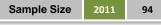




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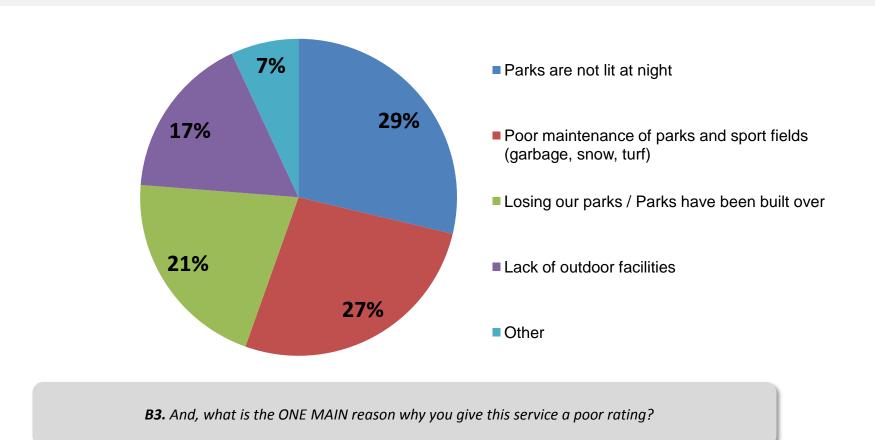
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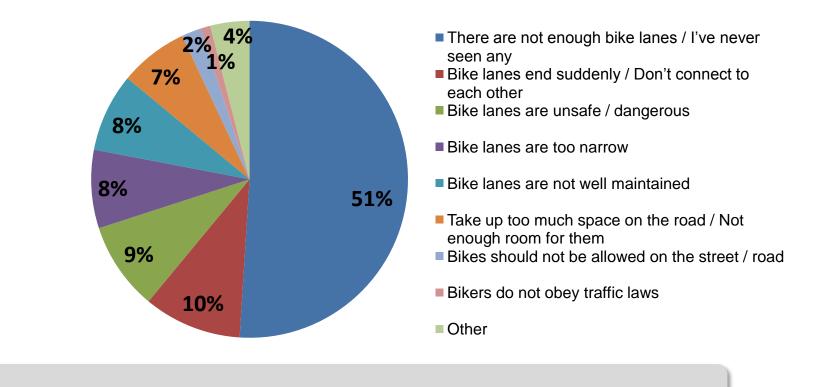
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Parks, Open Spaces, and Sports Fields



Service Dissatisfaction:

On-road Bike Lanes



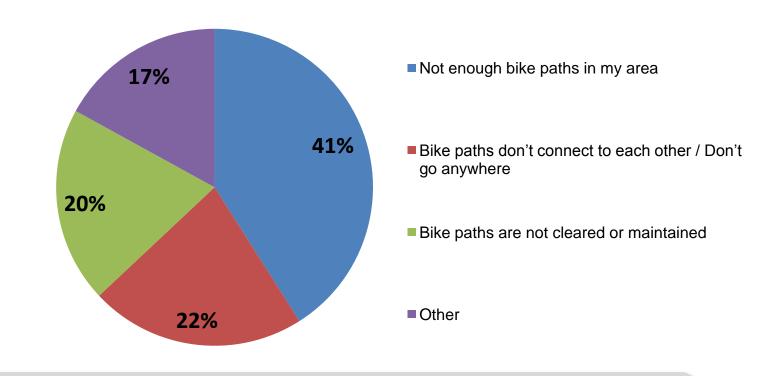
B3. And, what is the ONE MAIN reason why you give this service a poor rating?

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Service Dissatisfaction:

Off-road Bike Paths



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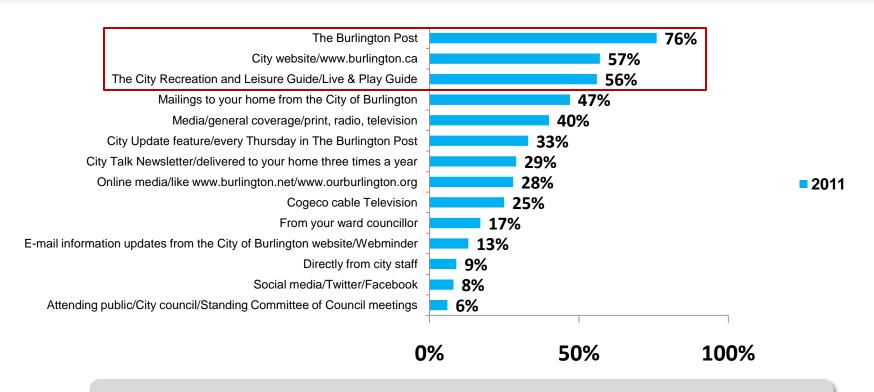
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City of Burlington Information Source Usage & Preference



Information Source Usage

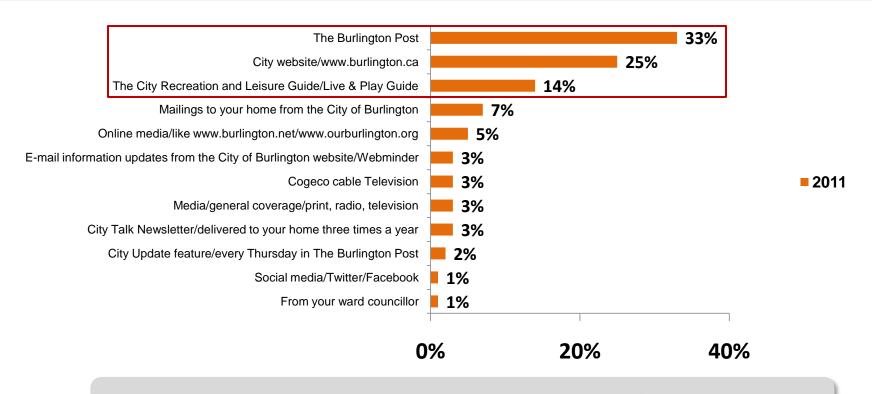


Q6. Thinking now of the information available on the City of Burlington's programs and services, please tell me which of the following sources you currently use to find out about these programs and services?

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Information Source Usage



Q7. Thinking about the sources of information available on the City of Burlington's programs and services that I just listed please tell me which one you would most prefer on a regular basis?

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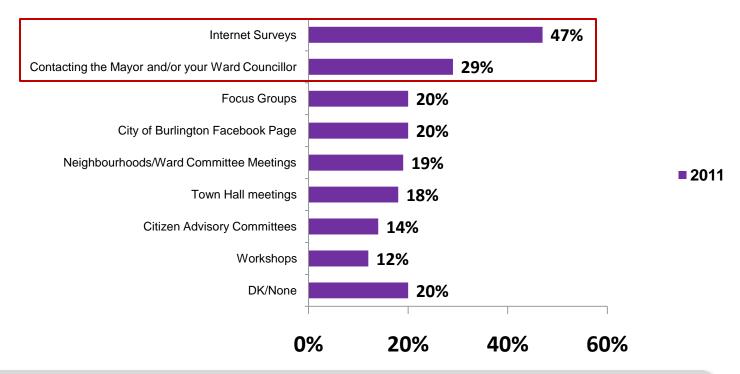
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City of Burlington Input Method & Engagement Satisfaction



Input Method Participation Likelihood

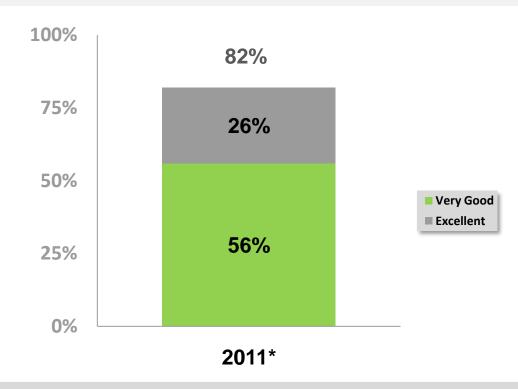


Q8B. The City of Burlington regularly looks for input from its residents on its programs and services. To this end, the City of Burlington is seeking new methods of public involvement. Which of the following are you likely to participate in?

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Input & Engagement Satisfaction



Q9. Based on your personal experience or what you have heard from others, how would you rate your satisfaction with the effort that the City of Burlington is doing currently in seeking input and engaging with residents on its programs and services? Would you say you are...?





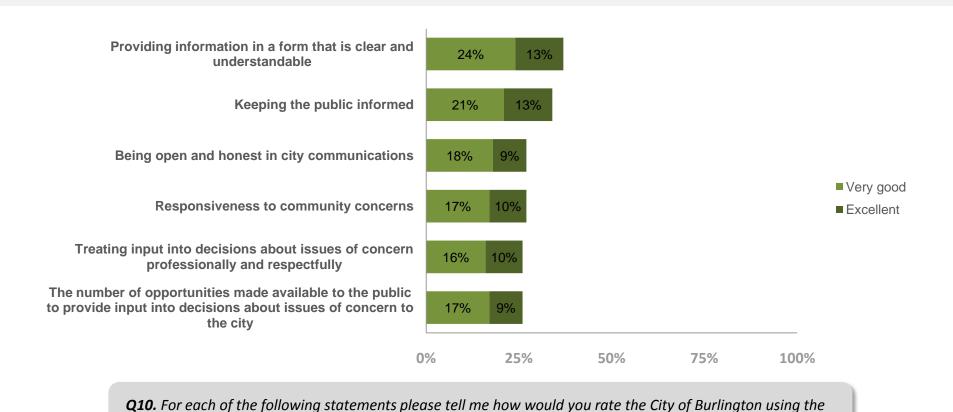
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City of Burlington Aspect Ratings



Aspect Ratings



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scale: Excellent, Very Good, Good, Fair or Poor...

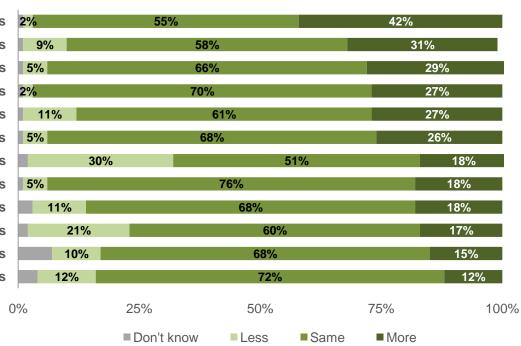


City of Burlington Budget Spending



Budget Spending

Maintenance and condition of City roads
Availability of public parking spaces
Parks, open spaces, and sports fields
Clearing Snow from City roads
Clearing snow from City sidewalks
Maintenance and condition of city roadsides
On-road bike lanes
City community centres
Regular transit services
Off-road multi-use bike paths
Special transit services
City arenas



Q11. Now thinking about spending of the City budget, do you think the City should be spending more, less or about the same amount on each of the following services and programs?

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Derived vs. Stated Importance



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Overview of Derived vs. Stated Importance

Top of Mind Need Driver

Relatively Unimportant Motivator

Derived Importance

Stated Importance

Advantages

- Very easy to ascertain
- Simple interpretation

Disadvantages

- Costly and time consuming
- Measures what is philosophically, politically or socially important rather than what is important to bringing about outcomes

Derived Importance

Advantages

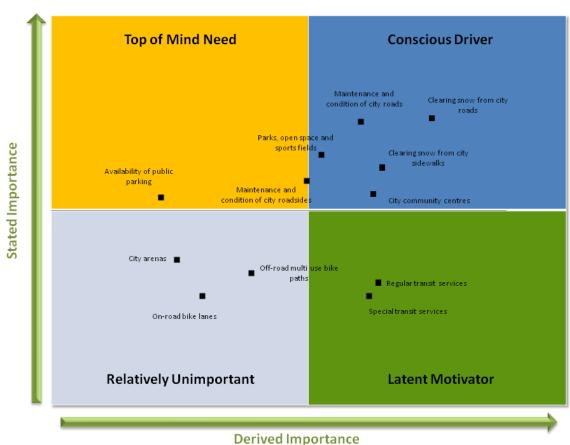
- Fewer questions need to be asked without losing information
- Improved data quality is associated with the lower likelihood of respondent fatigue
- Determine which attributes contribute significantly to the overall construct, say, satisfaction and which don't
- statistically test the validity of the model

Disadvantages

Requires knowledge of statistical modelling



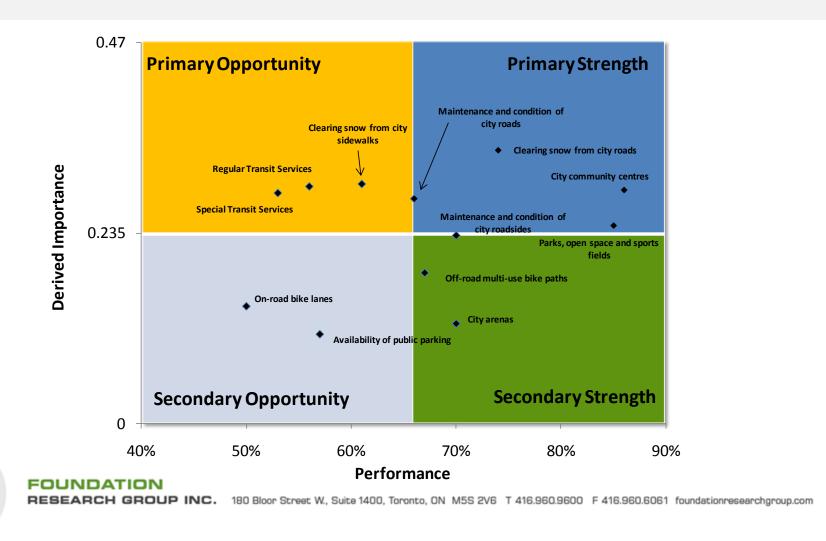
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Derived Importance by Performance



Stated Importance by Performance



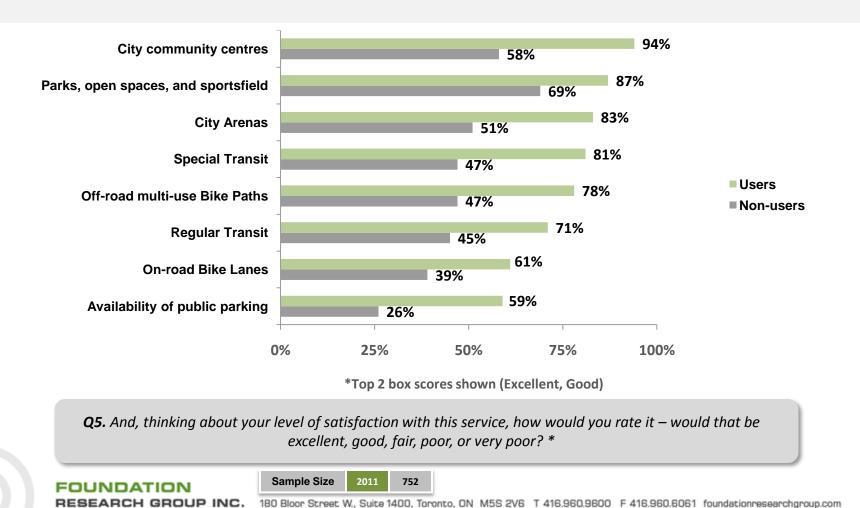


Users vs. Non-users

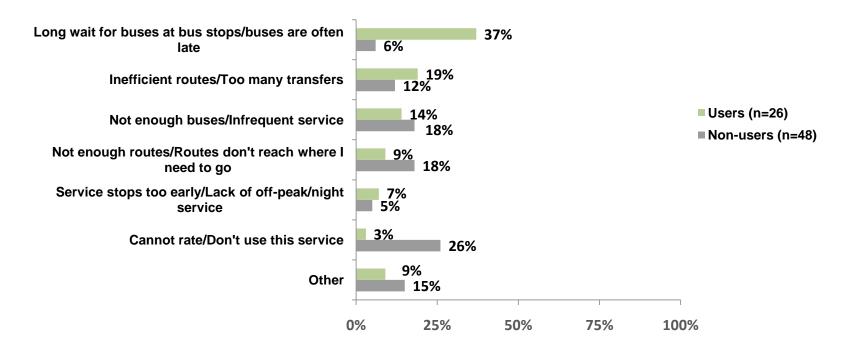


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Users vs. Non-users Service Satisfaction



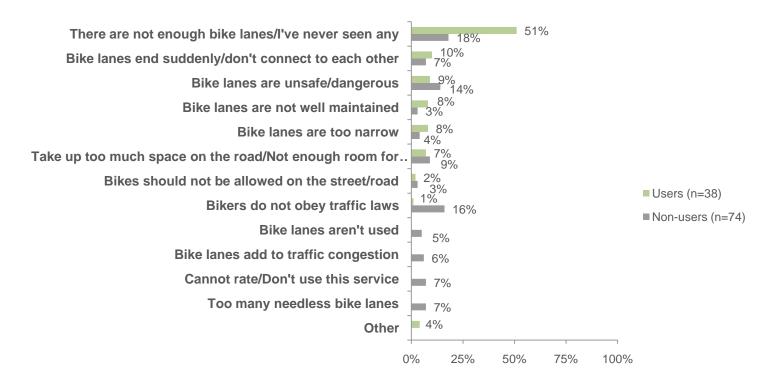
Users vs. Non-users Reasons for Service Dissatisfaction: Regular Transit





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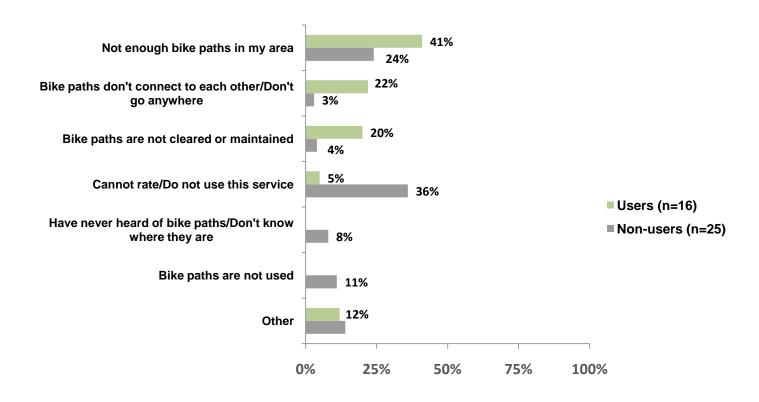
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