



Community & Recreation Infrastructure Planning

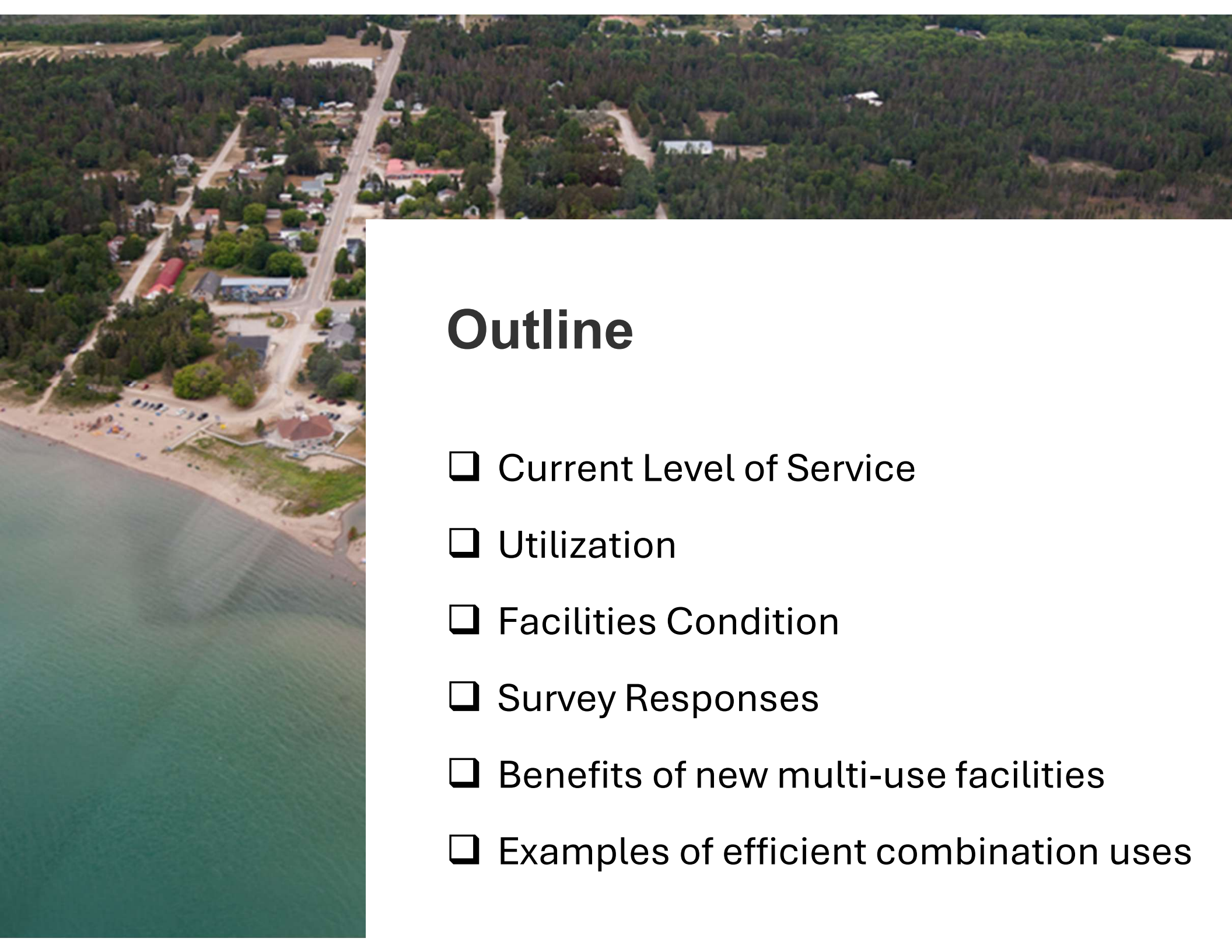
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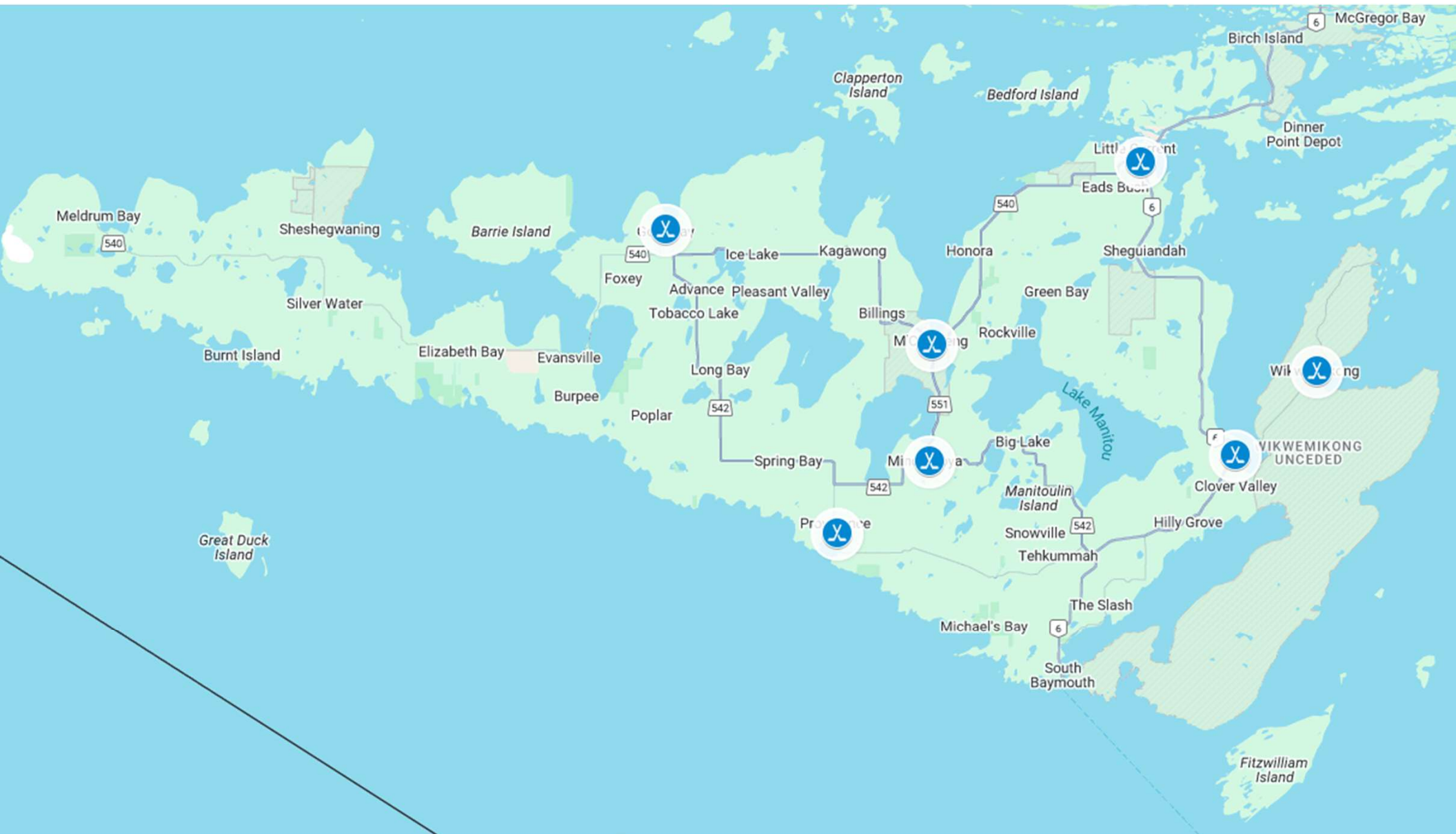




Outline

- ☐ Current Level of Service
- ☐ Utilization
- ☐ Facilities Condition
- ☐ Survey Responses
- ☐ Benefits of new multi-use facilities
- ☐ Examples of efficient combination uses

Supply of Arenas: Regional



Current Level of Service

Current level of service – high level of service (not uncommon for smaller communities with community facility legacy)

| | 2021 Census Population | Number of Facilities | Level of Service (# facilities per population) |
|---|------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Central Manitoulin | 2,235 | 2 | 1 ice pad per 1,120 pop. |
| Manitoulin Island (Manitoulin District) | 13,935 | 7 | 1 ice pad per 1,990 pop. |

LoS in nearby communities, for comparison

| | 2021 Census Population | Number of Facilities | Level of Service (# facilities per population) |
|-----------------|------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Greater Sudbury | 166,004 | 16 | 1 ice pad per 10,400 pop. |
| North Bay | 52,662 | 5 | 1 ice pad per 10,500 pop. |

Mindemoya Arena
– 1 ice surface

Providence Bay Arena
– 1 ice surface

Gore Bay Memorial Arena
– 1 ice surface

M'Chigeeng First Nation Arena
– 1 ice surface

Manitowaning Arena (Assiginak Twp.) – 1 ice surface

NEMI Arena (Little Current)
– 1 ice surface

Wikwemikong Arena
– 1 ice surface

Utilization – Mindemoya Arena

Typical week schedule

Prime Time Hrs (4-10pm + Saturday):
44 hrs /week

Hours Booked:

Minor hockey – 17 hrs / week

Other uses – 5.5 hrs (Saturday) / week

TOTAL: 22.5

**Prime
Time
Est. 51%**

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | 2:00 -3:00 pm |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| | | | | | | Family Skating |
| CLOSED | Ice for rent | Ice for rent | | Ice for rent | Ice for rent | 3:00 - 4:30 pm |
| | 4:10-5:30 pm | 4:10-5:30 pm | | 4:10-5:30 pm | 4:10-5:30 pm | Ice for rent |
| CLOSED | Ice for rent | Ice for rent | | Ice for rent | Ice for rent | 4:30-5:30 pm |
| | 5:40-6:30 pm | 5:40-6:30 pm | | 5:40-6:30 pm | 5:40-6:30 pm | Arena Closed 6pm |
| MINDEMOYA THUNDER MINOR HOCKEY | | | | | | |
| CLOSED | U15 Practice 6:40 - 8:00 PM | U11 GAME 6:40 - 8:00 PM | U7 Game 6:00 - 7:00 PM | U11 Practice 6:40 - 8:00 PM | U15 Game 6:40 - 8:00 PM | |
| CLOSED | U18 Practice 8:10 - 9:30 PM | U13 GAME 8:10 - 9:30 PM | U9 Game 7:10 - 8:30 PM | U13 Practice 8:10 - 9:30 PM | U18 Game 8:10 - 9:30 PM | |
| CLOSED | | | Hackers 8:40-10:00 | | | |

SPM Note: The above utilization estimate is based on the typical schedule provided above.

Utilization – Providence Bay Arena

Typical week schedule

Prime Time Hours
(4pm-11pm+Saturday):
50 hrs / week

Booked: 7.5 hours

**Prime
Time
Est. 15%**

Providence Bay Arena Ice Schedule 2023/24

| | Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | |
|----------------------------------|----------|--------|--------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|----------|----------|-------|
| | | CLOSED | | | | | | |
| SPRC Learn to Skate 12-1:00 | | CLOSED | | | | | | |
| SPRC Public Skate 1:00 - 3:00 | | CLOSED | | | | | | |
| SPRC Sponge Puck 3-5:00 | | CLOSED | | | | | | |
| | | CLOSED | | | | | | |
| | | CLOSED | Mixed Hockey 8:00 - 9:00 PM | | Dewar Hockey 8:30 - 10:00 PM | | | |
| | | CLOSED | | | | | | |
| Hours of operations | 8am-11pm | CLOSED | 8am-11pm | 8am-11pm | 8am-1pm / 4- 11pm | 8am-11pm | 8am-11pm | TOTAL |
| HOURS of available ice time | 14 | | 14 | 14 | 11 | 14 | 14 | 82 |
| HOURS of Rented ice time | 5 | | 1 | 0 | 1.5 | 0 | 0 | 7.5 |
| Unused Ice Time | 9 | | 13 | 14 | 12 | 14 | 14 | 76 |

Note: Thursday - ice maintenance day/equipment blade changes - required 3 hours to complete

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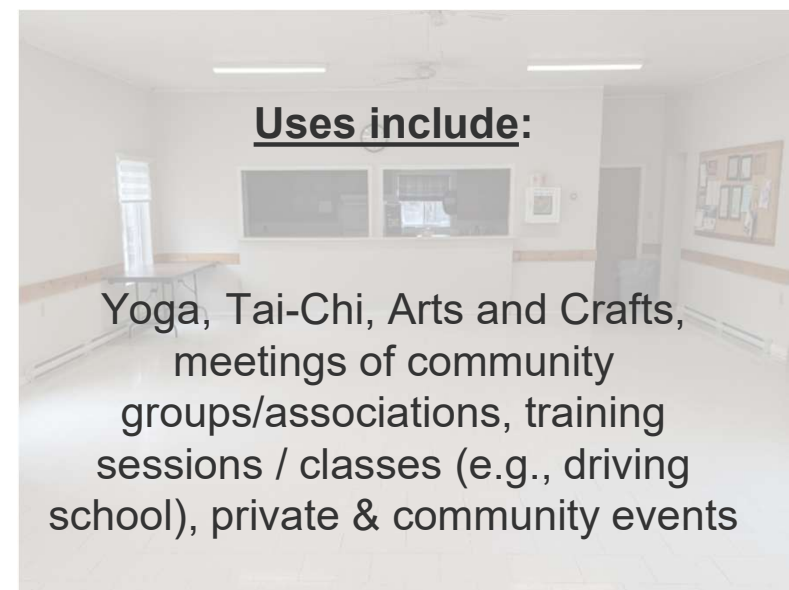
Utilization – Spring Bay Hall

- Fully accessible
- Wheelchair ramp access,
- Accessible bathrooms
- Fully stocked and licensed commercial kitchen. Kitchen amenities include stove, commercial fridge, coffee maker, microwave.
- **Capacity:** Standing - 186 / Sitting 80-100

Hours of operation: 8am - 10pm

Total Hours Available: **14 hrs / week**

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-------|
| Total Hours Available / year (Est.) | 5,000 |
| Total Booked Hours in 2024 | 883 |
| Utilization | 18% |



Uses include:

Yoga, Tai-Chi, Arts and Crafts, meetings of community groups/associations, training sessions / classes (e.g., driving school), private & community events

Efficient Combination Of Uses Example

Multiple uses & Greater

- accessibility
- environmental sustainability
- flexibility



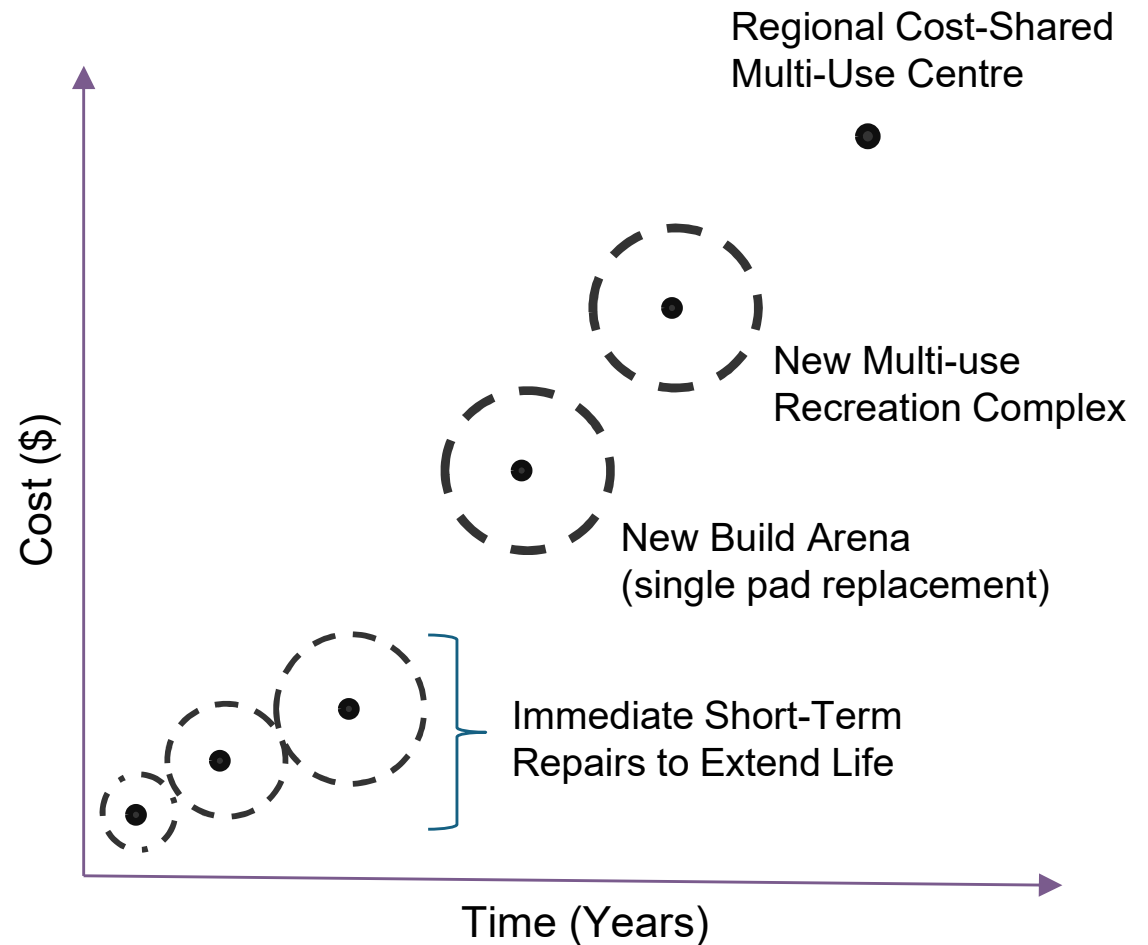
Different Approaches: Time v. Cost:

Different strategies are required – short and long term.

The easy solution comes with lower cost, extends life, but is literally a patch and play.

The most ambitious plan is the longest term (possibly not the most expensive).

A regional building is further out in time but not more expensive.





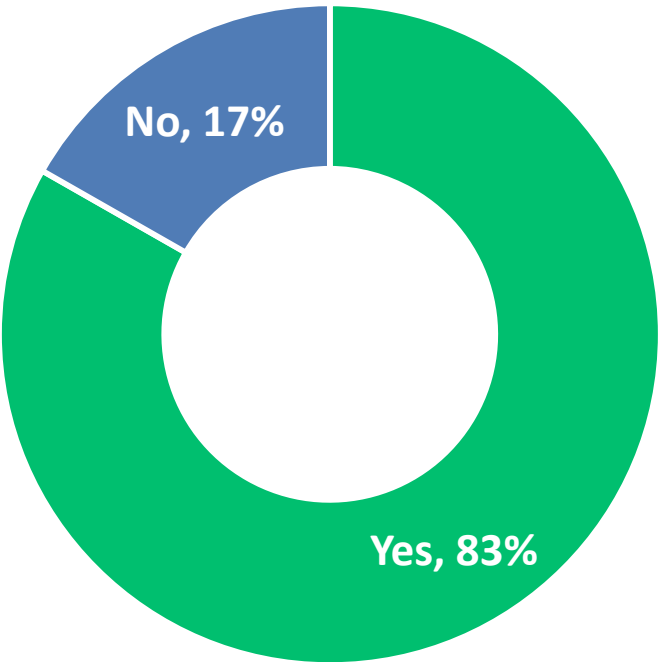
Community & Recreation Infrastructure Review - **HAVE YOUR SAY!**

Survey was open: April 29 – May 31, 2025

Complete Responses: 322

About Participants: Place of Residence

Answered: 322



| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES, % | RESPONSES, Counts |
|--|--------------|-------------------|
| Yes | 83% | 268 |
| No, I live in a different municipality. Please tell us where you live. | 17% | 54 |
| TOTAL | | 322 |

Central Manitoulin:

| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES, % | RESPONSES, Counts |
|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Mindemoya | 46% | 121 |
| Spring Bay | 24% | 63 |
| Providence Bay | 15% | 40 |
| Big Lake | 9% | 24 |
| Sandfield | 4% | 11 |
| Other | 3% | 9 |
| TOTAL | | 268 |

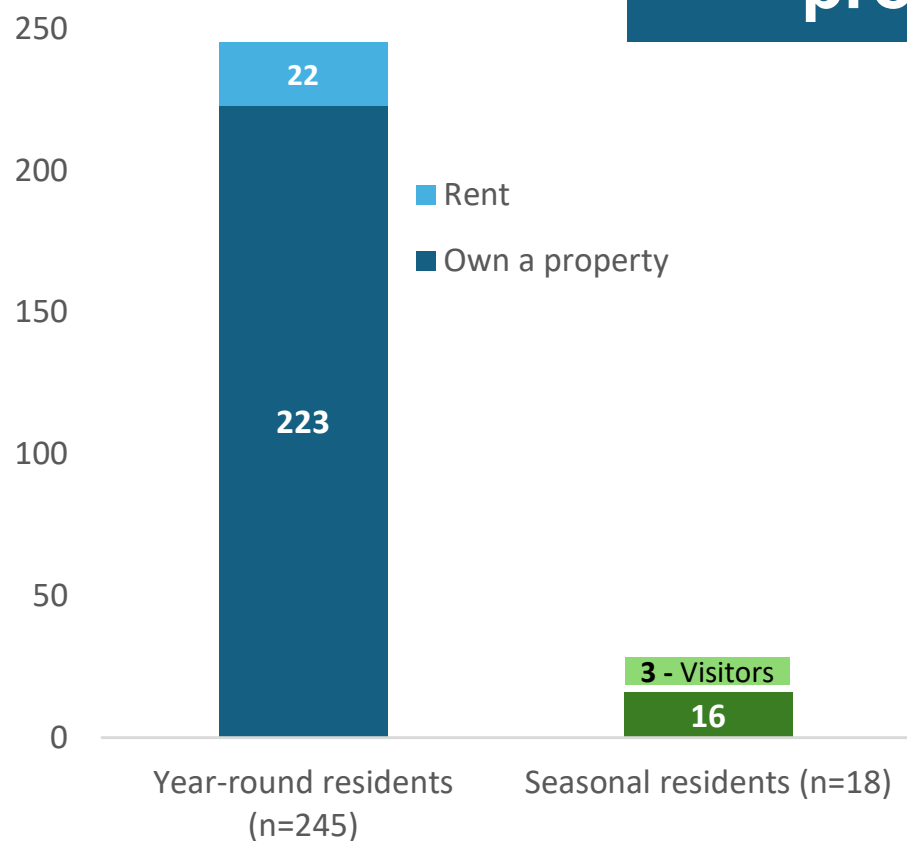
Other Municipalities (n=54):

NEMI (9), Tehkummah (6), Greater Sudbury (6), Mchigeeng (4), Little Current (3), Billings (3), Gore Bay (3), Kagawong (2), Toronto (2), Assiginack, Brantford, Collingwood, Elliott Lake, Espanola, Evansville, Haliburton, Manitowaning, Parry Sound, Rockville , Timmins and West Bay.

About Participants: Place of Residence (Cont.)

Answered: 263

**93% -
year-round residents**
**85% -
property owners**

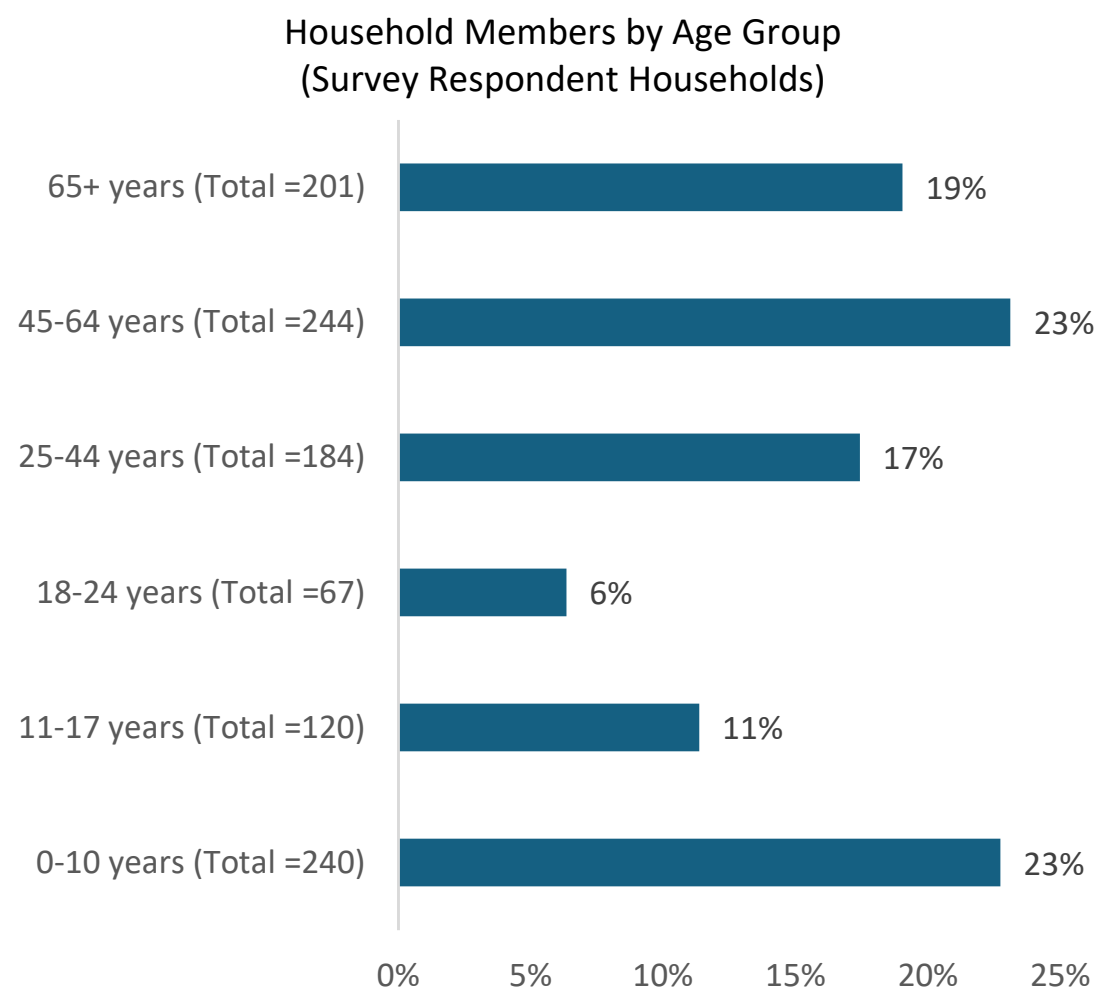


Among survey participants residing in Central Manitoulin (n=263):

- The majority of respondents were year-round residents who own their properties (n=223);
- Fewer year-round residents who rent (n=22);
- Seasonal residents (n=16);
- 3 participants were visiting the Municipality.

About Participants: Household Composition (Age & Size)

Answered: 308



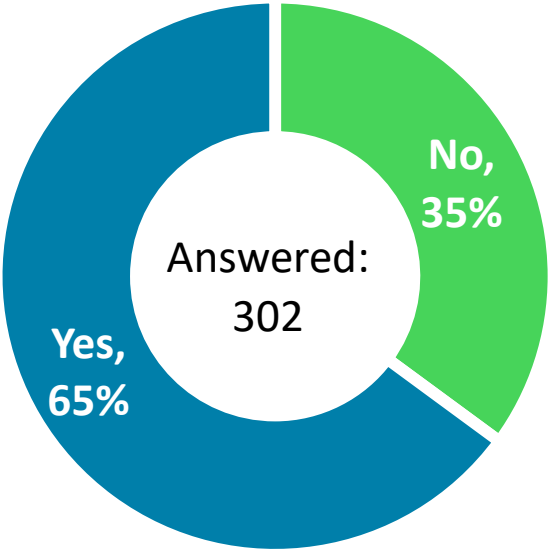
Taken together survey participants' households comprise 1,056 persons.

- Older adults (65+) – 19%
- Adults (18-64) – 47%
- Children (0-17) – 34%

| Households Composition | Survey | 2021 Census |
|---|--------|-------------|
| Average Size of Household | 3.6 | 2.5 |
| Average number of Children in Household | 1.3 | 1.7 |

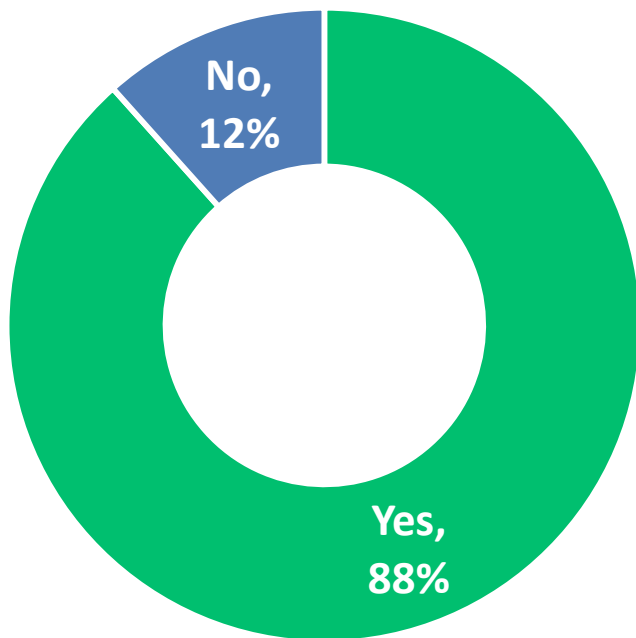
Membership in a sport, recreation, community user groups/clubs

Q. Are you, or members of your household, currently involved with any sport, recreation, community user groups/clubs in the Municipality of Central Manitoulin?



Community Halls and/or Museums: Use

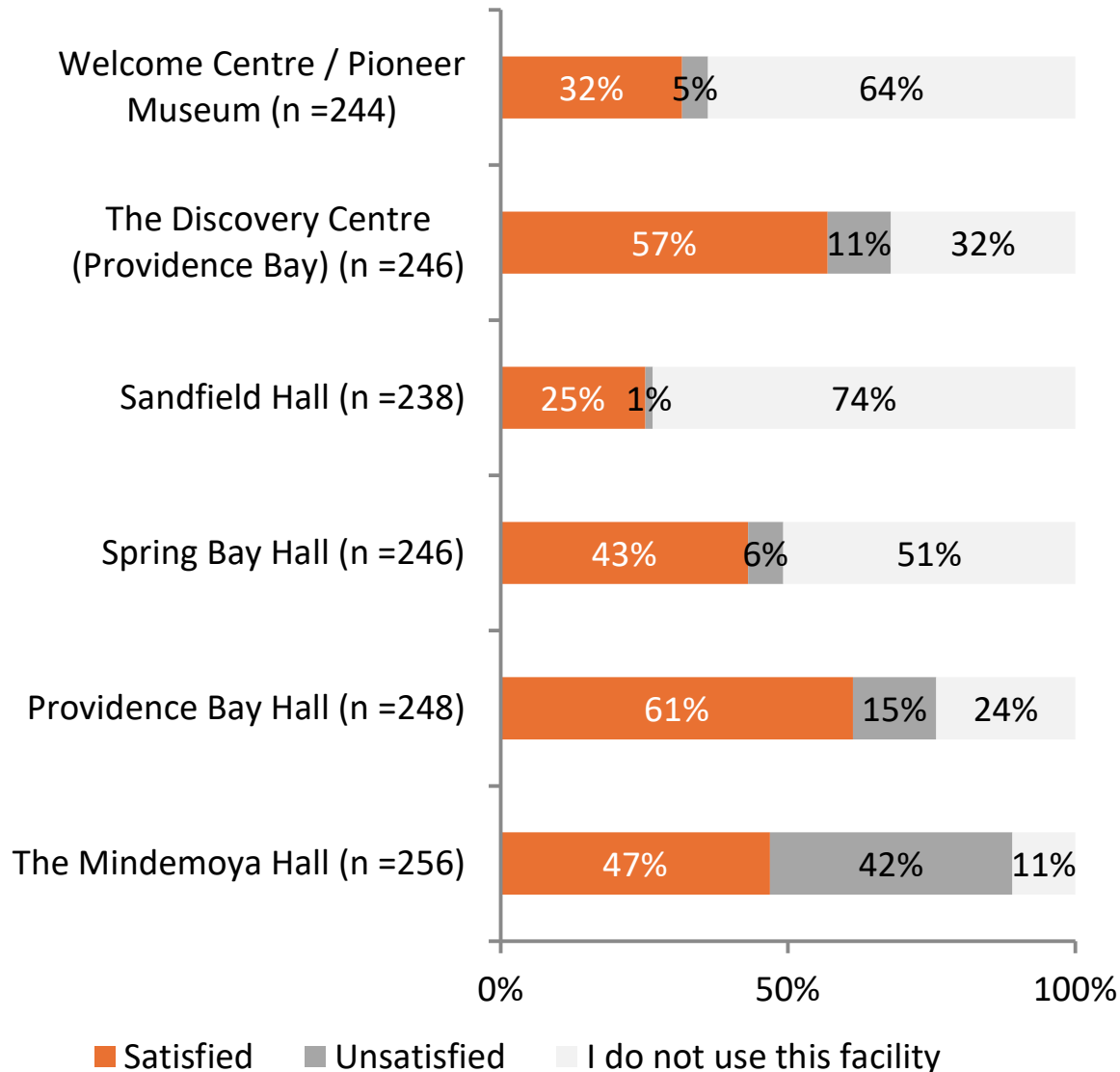
Q. Over the past year have you/members of your household participated in activities, programs, events, or been a spectator at any of the Community Halls and/or Museums in Central Manitoulin?



| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES, % | RESPONSES, Counts |
|----------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Yes | 88% | 267 |
| No | 12% | 35 |
| TOTAL | | 302 |

Answered: 302

Municipal Community Halls & Museums: Level of Satisfaction



Mindemoya Hall –

- 89% respondents use the Hall
- 42% are not satisfied with the facility:
- needs accessibility improvements (accessible washrooms and an accessible elevator, ramp, etc.) and
- upgrades (general upgrades, flooring, air conditioning, etc.).

The following most used facilities were

- Providence Bay Hall (76%) - needs cometic upgrades, AV and HVAC systems, additional storage, and more chairs, and
- The Discovery Centre (68%) – washrooms need to be open longer.

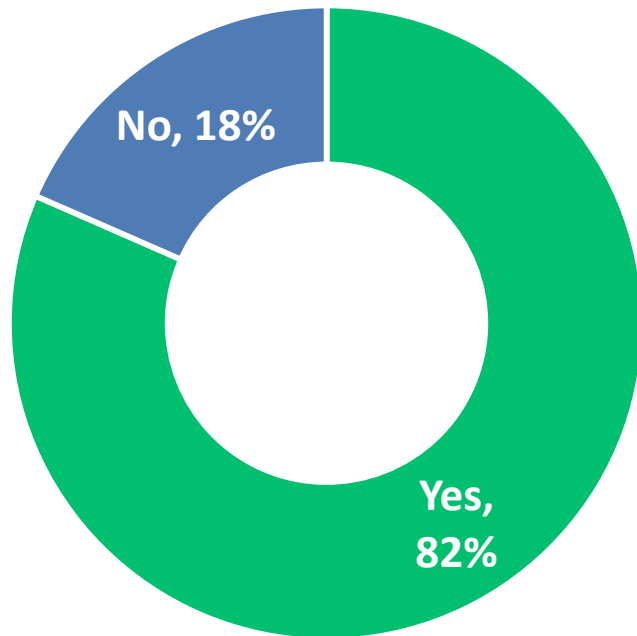
Other comments:

- Greater accessibility;
- Suggestions of one larger accessible multi-use community hall;
- Storage for programs;
- Washrooms in the facilities need to be accessible + better upkeep.

Answered: 262

Mindemoya Arena: Use

Q. Over the past three years have you/members of your household participated in activities, programs, events, or been a spectator at the Mindemoya Arena?

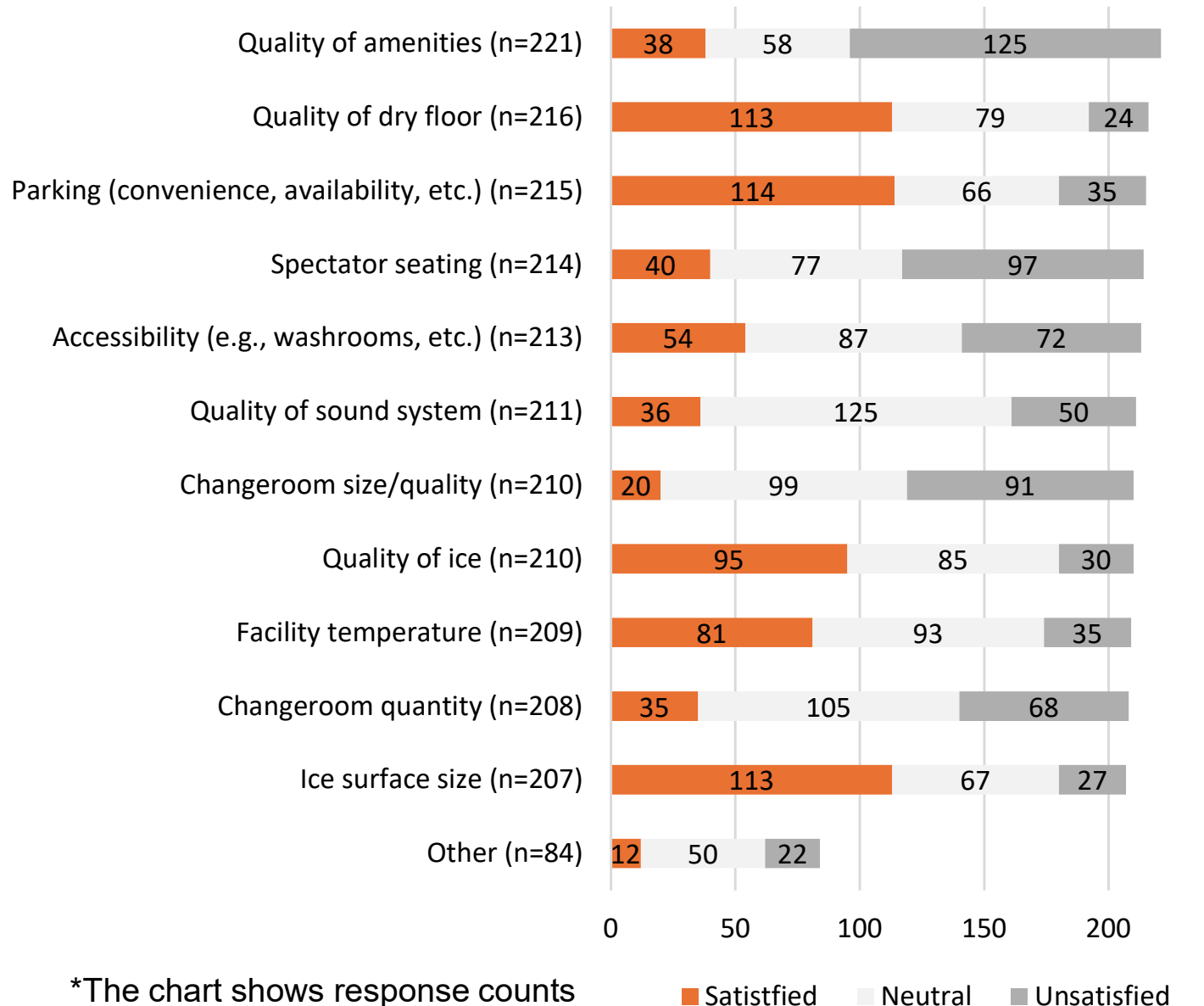


Answered: 282

| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES, % | RESPONSES, Counts |
|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Yes | 82% | 230 |
| No | 18% | 52 |
| TOTAL | | 282 |

Mindemoya Arena: Level of Satisfaction

Answered: 224

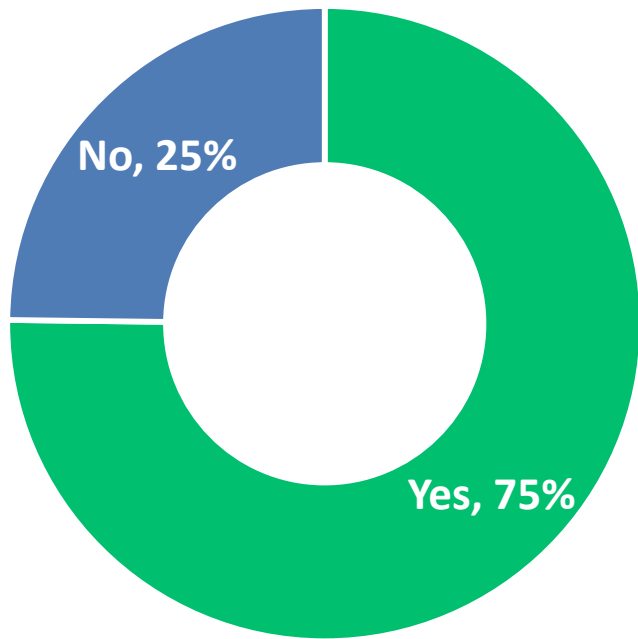


Comparing response counts (Satisfied vs. Unsatisfied), the following was observed:

- The number of Mindemoya Arena users who are **satisfied with the ice surface size, quality of dry floor and parking** is larger than those who are unsatisfied.
- The Mindemoya Arena users were **less satisfied with the quality of amenities; seating, changerooms (quality, size and quantity); and accessibility.**

Providence Bay Arena: Use

Q. Over the past three years have you/members of your household participated in activities, programs, events, or been a spectator at the Providence Bay Arena?

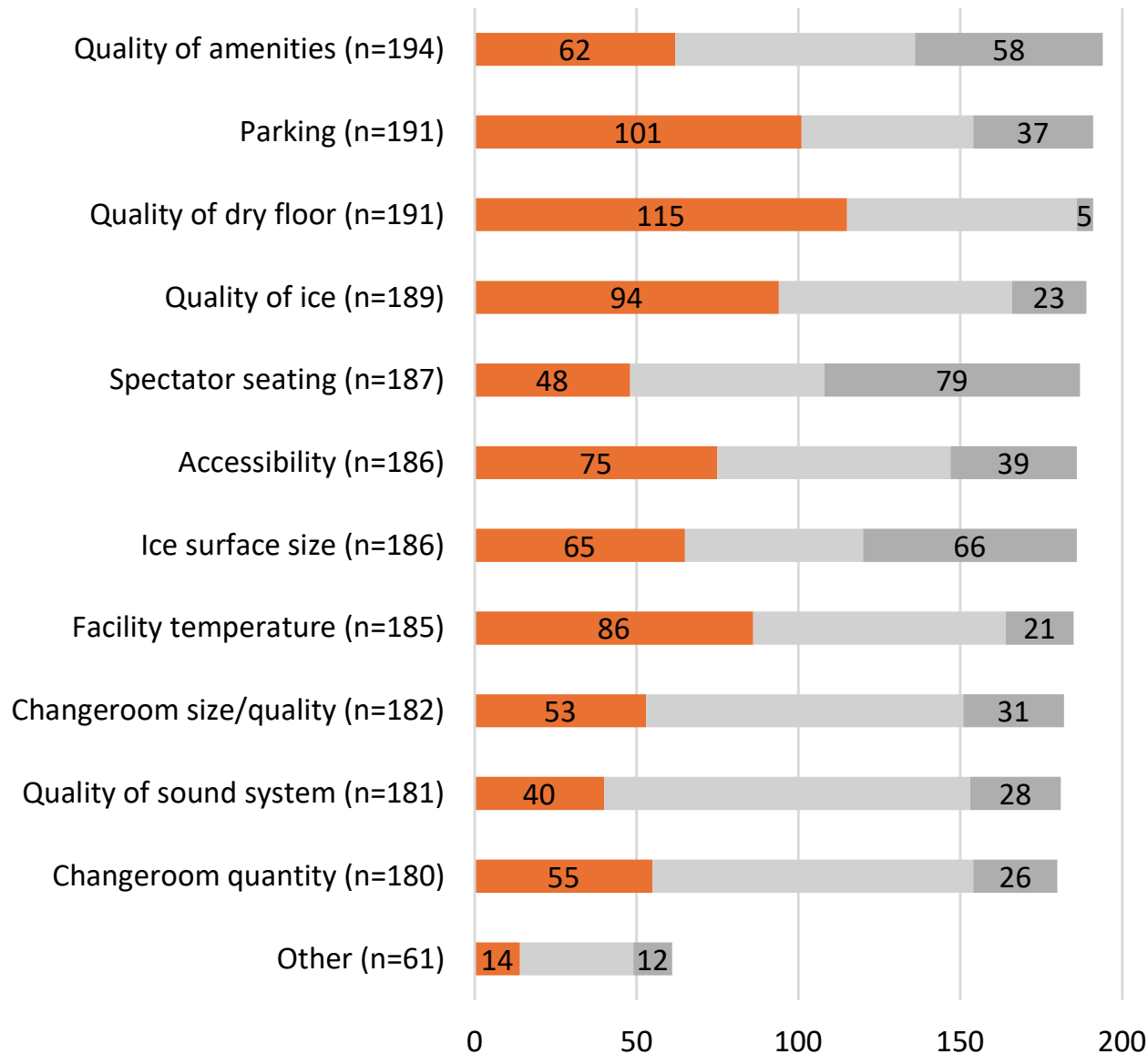


Answered: 266

| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES, % | RESPONSES, Counts |
|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Yes | 75% | 200 |
| No | 25% | 66 |
| TOTAL | | 266 |

Providence Bay Arena: Level of Satisfaction

Answered: 198



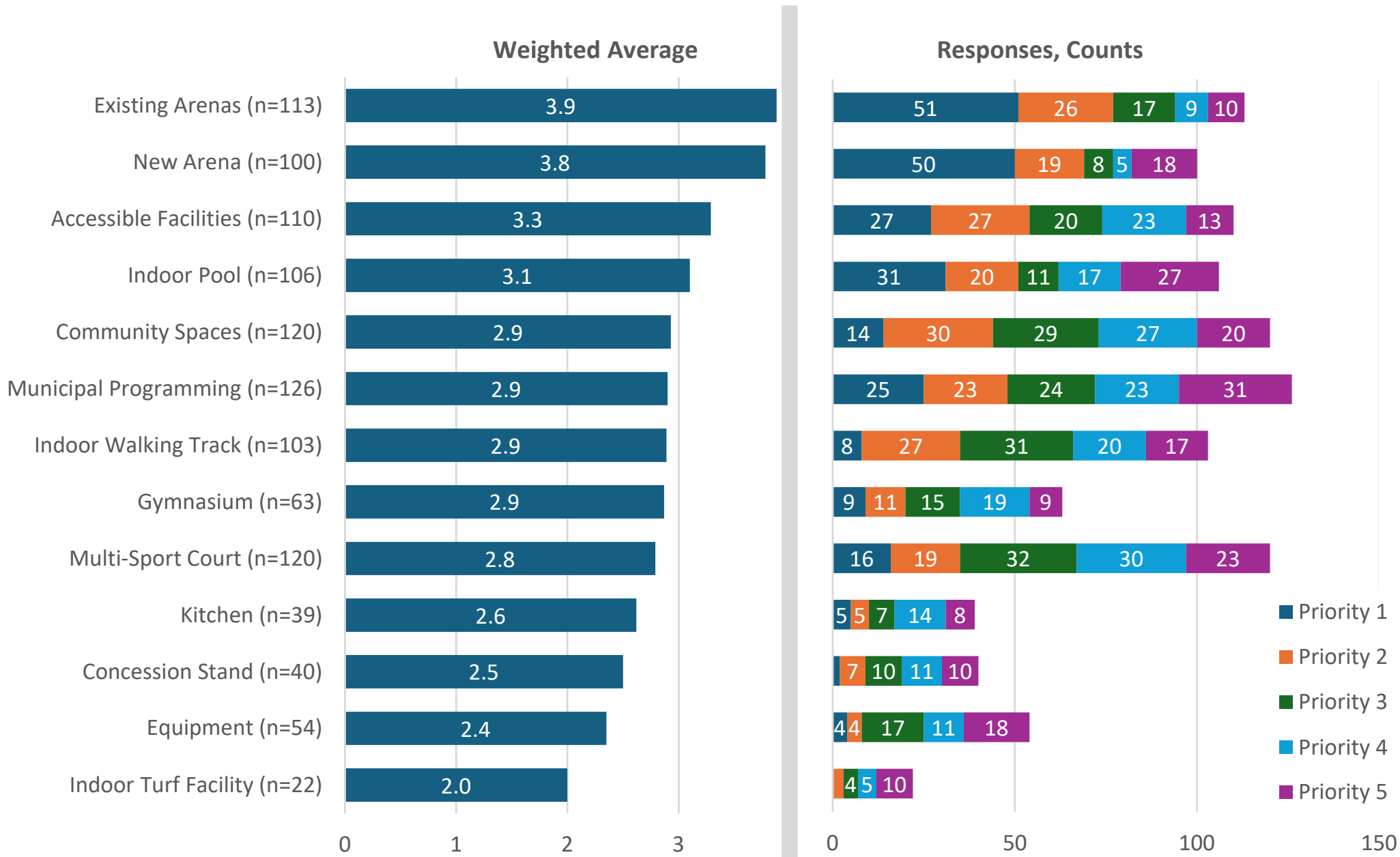
Comparing response counts (Satisfied vs. Unsatisfied), the following was observed:

- More Providence Bay Arena users were generally **satisfied with the arena amenities and quality (facility temperature, accessibility, etc.), and parking**, compared to those who were unsatisfied.
- The Providence Bay Arena users were **less satisfied with the ice surface size; spectator seating; and quality of amenities**, followed by **change room quality and quantity**.

*The chart shows response counts Satisfied Neutral Unsatisfied

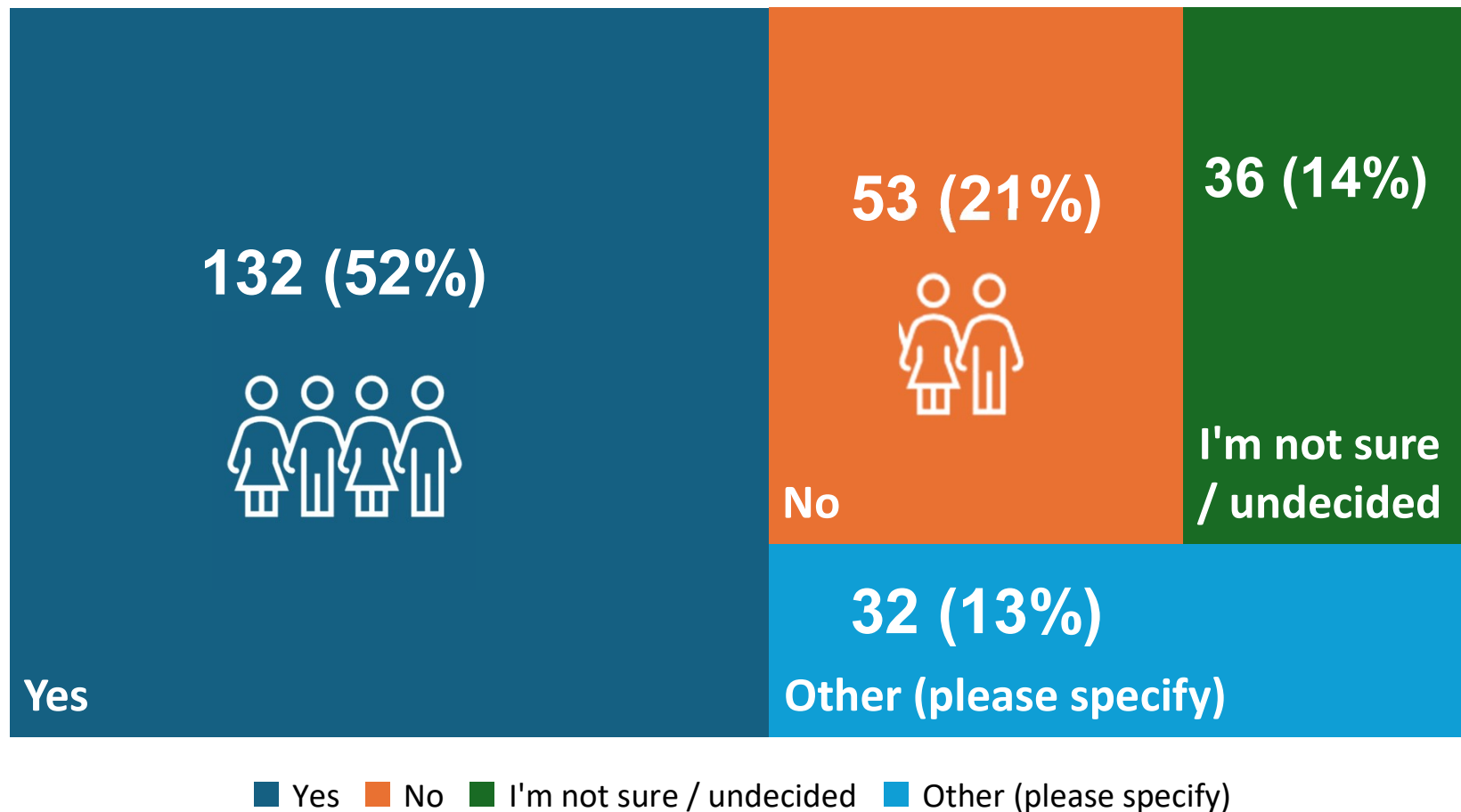
Top 5 priorities for investments related to indoor recreation facilities over the next 10 years

Answered: 255



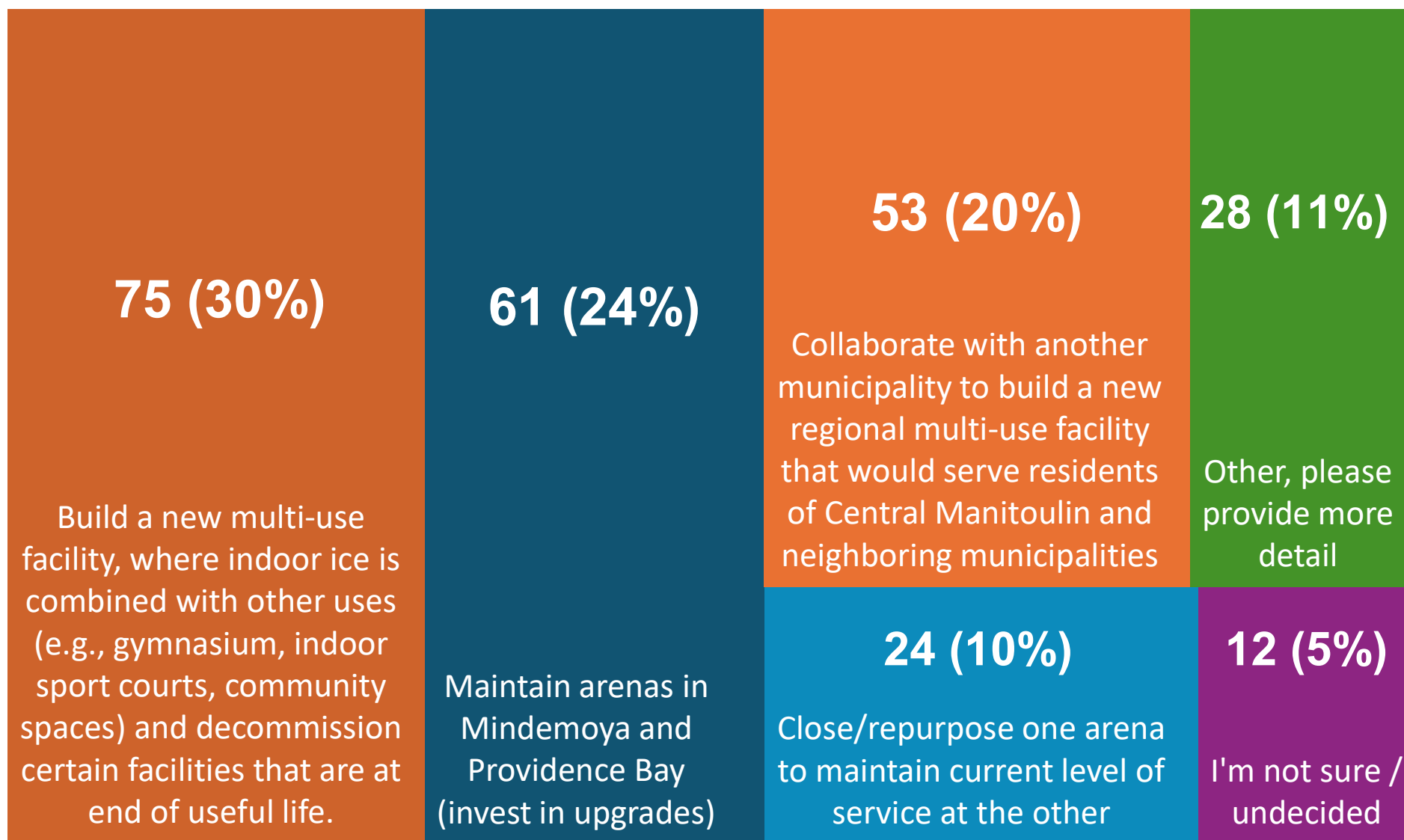
Q20: Do you think the Municipality should plan for the future replacement of one or both of the existing arenas?

Answered: 253



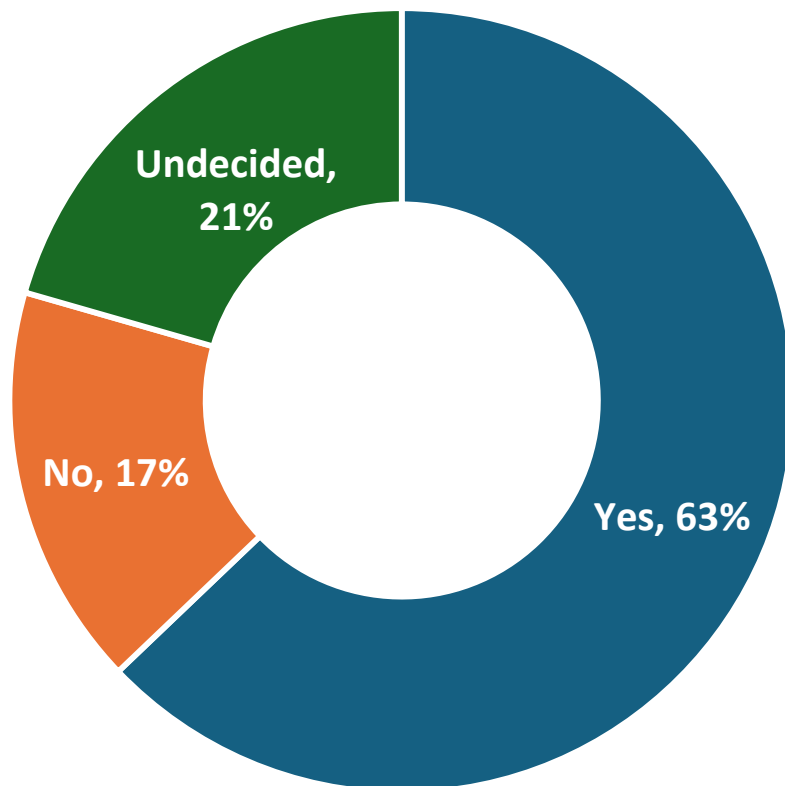
Preference Regarding Future Planning for The Arenas

Answered: 253



Q. Would you be willing to partner with another community if a new multi-use facility was to be constructed in Central Manitoulin?

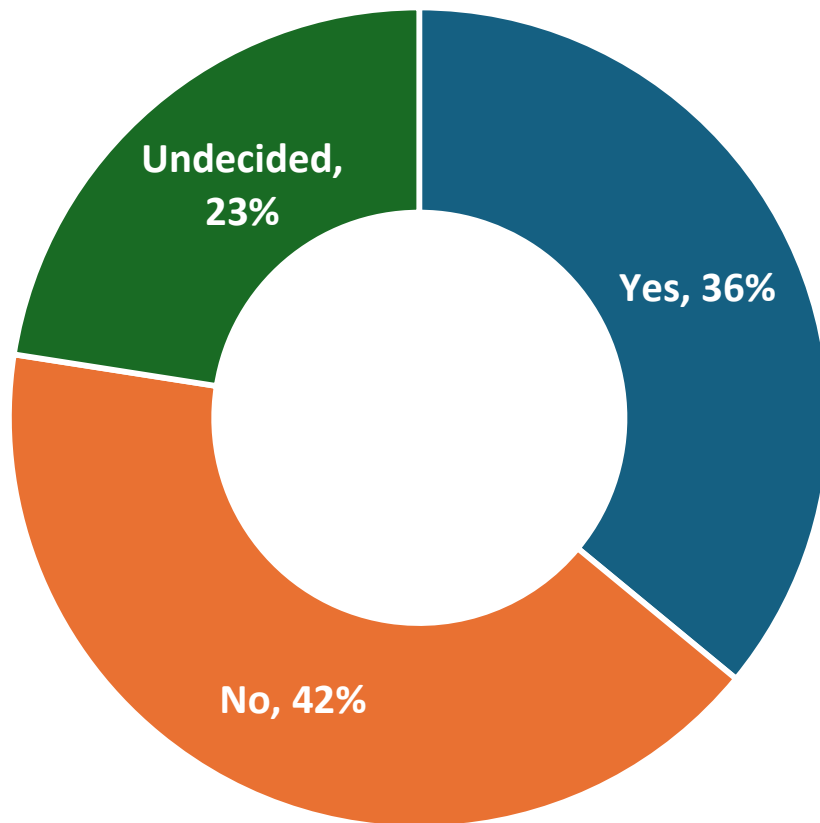
Answered: 253



| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES, % | RESPONSES, Counts |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Yes | 63% | 159 |
| No | 17% | 42 |
| I'm not sure / undecided | 21% | 52 |
| TOTAL | | 253 |

Q. Would you be willing to partner with another community if a new multi-use facility was to be constructed outside of Central Manitoulin?

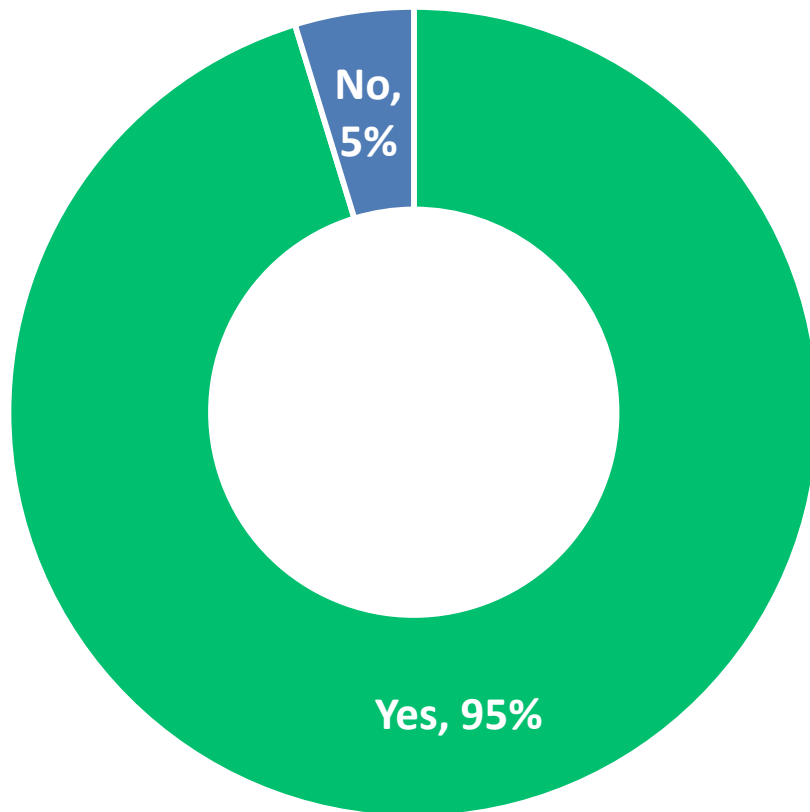
Answered: 253



| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES, % | RESPONSES, Counts |
|--------------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Yes | 36% | 91 |
| No | 42% | 105 |
| I'm not sure / undecided | 23% | 57 |
| TOTAL | | 253 |

Outdoor Facilities: Level of Satisfaction

Q. In a typical year, do you, or other members of your household, use municipal parks and/or outdoor municipal recreation facility/facilities?

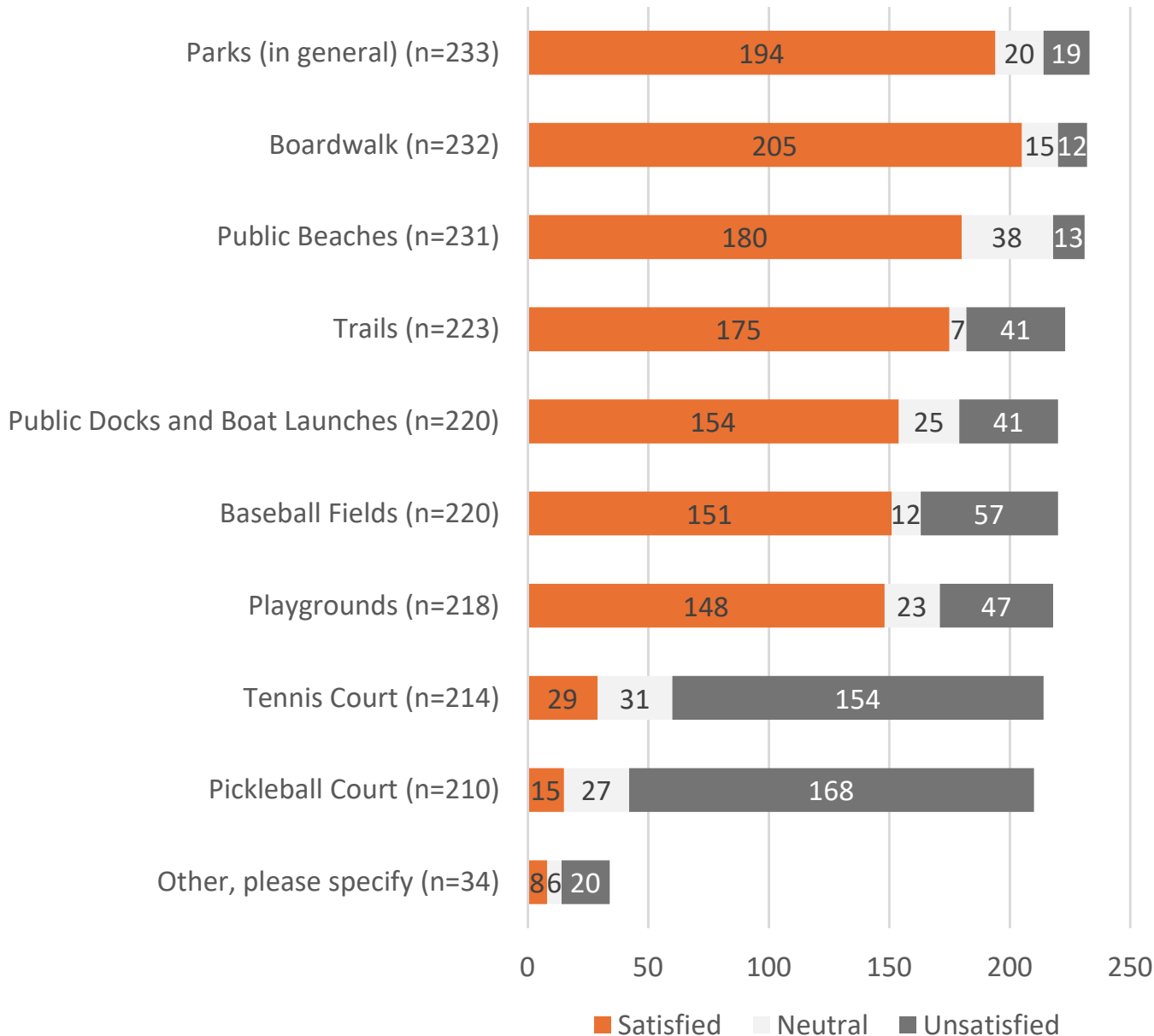


| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES, % | RESPONSES, Counts |
|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Yes | 95% | 241 |
| No | 5% | 12 |
| TOTAL | | 253 |

Answered: 253

Outdoor Facilities: Level of Satisfaction

Answered: 237

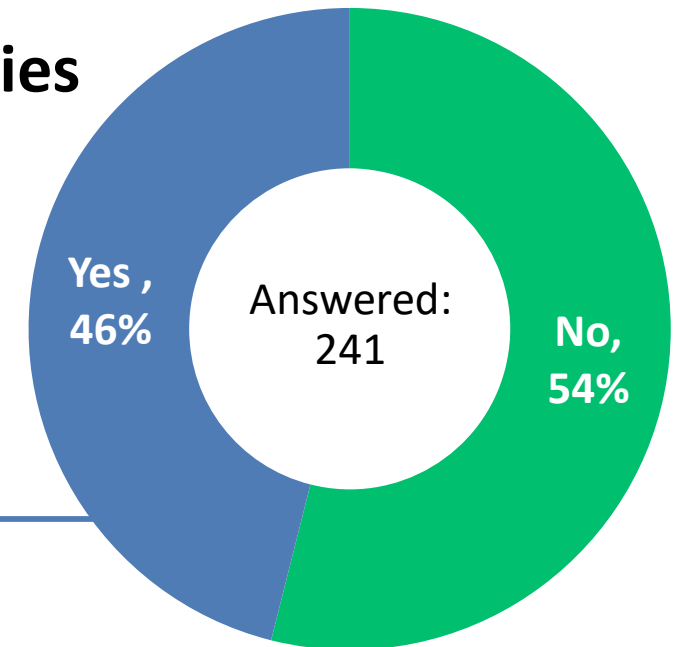


Comparing response counts (Satisfied vs. Unsatisfied), the following was observed:

- More respondents (over 60% and more) were satisfied with the outdoor facilities, compared to those who were unsatisfied.
- Exceptions included tennis courts.
- Other facilities included: a splash pad a marina (private facility).

Participation in recreation programs, activities or events offered by the Municipality

Yes, please specify up to 3 programs:



knowledge sharing line dancing seniors activities
Public skating exercise programs Community
groups baseball events classes offered
soccer **Yoga** fitness
Mindemoya **hockey** prov programs
prov fair tournament
Pearson cup craft **markets** **exercise** Kids activities
softball seniors Hockey baseball
Ribfest Swimming lessons Dances chair yoga
Farmers market