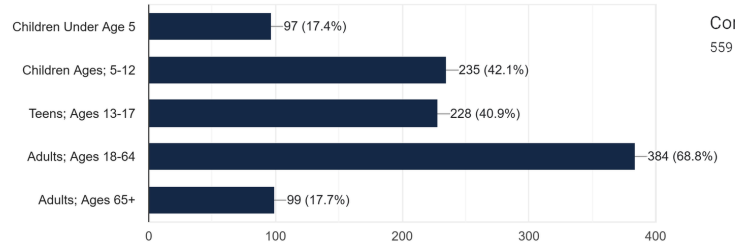
# WASATCH COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION MASTER PLAN PUBLIC SURVEY

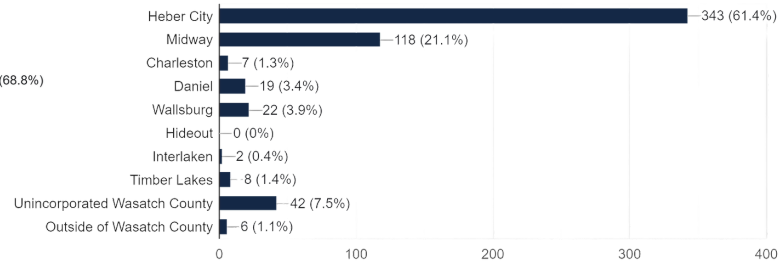
Wasatch County Parks and Recreation received 561 responses to its master plan survey. Respondents expressed strong support for parks and recreation as part of the county's quality of life: 81.1% said local parks and recreation opportunities are essential, and 54.3% reported using a county park or recreation facility at least once a week.

## SURVEY DEMOGRAPHIC

Household Composition:
558 responses

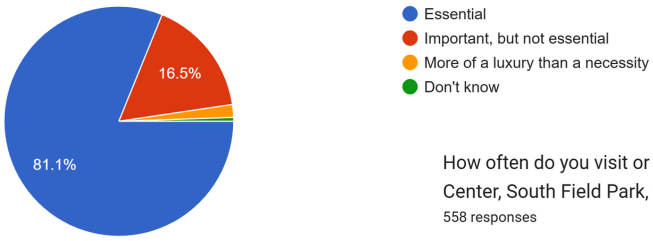



Community of Residence: Please select one.
559 responses

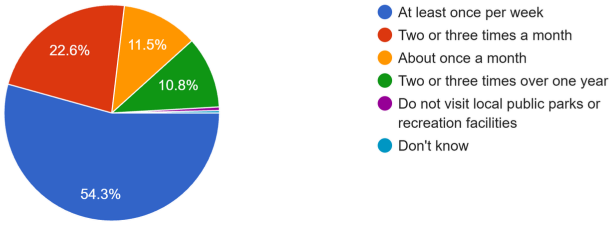



## QUALITY OF LIFE

When you think about the things that contribute to the quality of life in Wasatch County, would you say that local parks and recreation opportunities are:
557 responses




How often do you visit or use a Wasatch County park or recreation facility (including the Recreation Center, South Field Park, Veteran's Park, Event Complex, or Senior Center)?
558 responses

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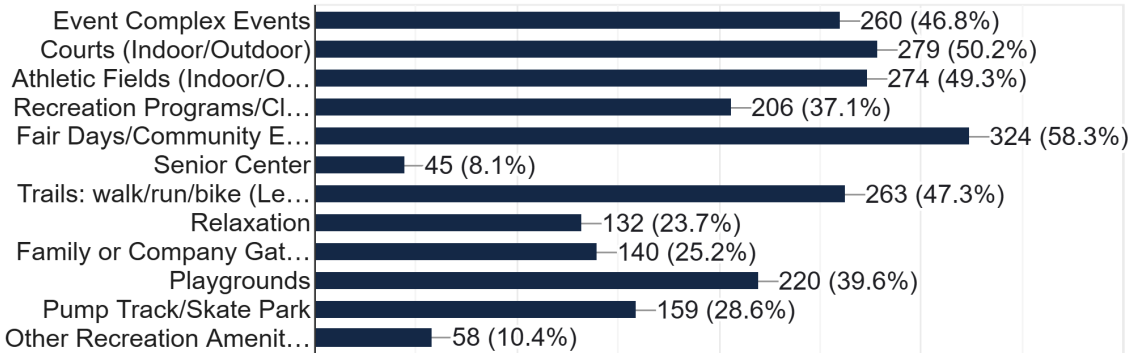
*Summer 2026*

*Participation was voluntary, and the number of responses varied by question.*
*The results reflect the views of survey respondents via social media, open houses, mailers, and word of mouth.*

# FACILITY VISITATION

What would you say are the main reasons you visited Wasatch County facilities within the last year:

556 responses




## Additional Write-In Answers

Respondents described using a wide range of recreation opportunities, including trails and walking paths, sports fields and courts, the Recreation Center walking track, swimming facilities, and the Event Complex. They also mentioned activities for children and families, horseback riding, dog walks, and interest in options such as disc golf, cornhole, and a golf simulator.

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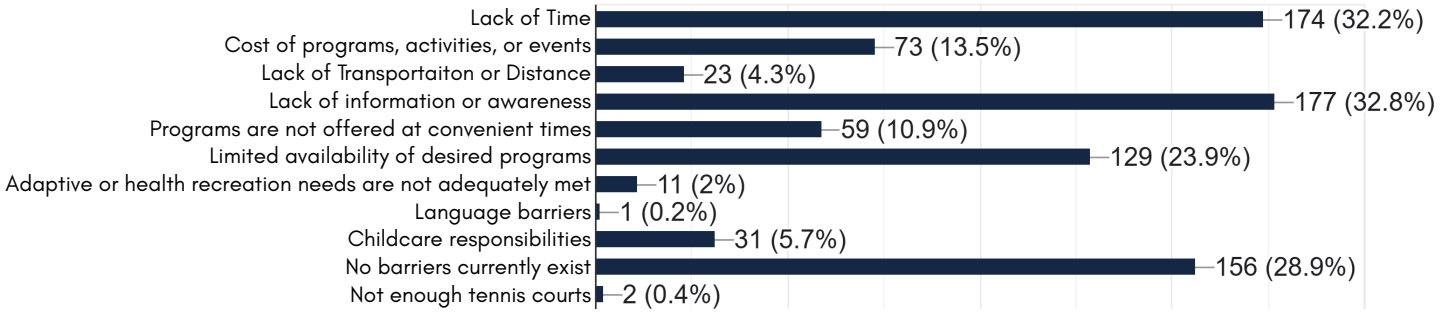
What barriers, if any, prevent you or members of your household from participating in parks, recreation facilities, programs or events?

540 responses



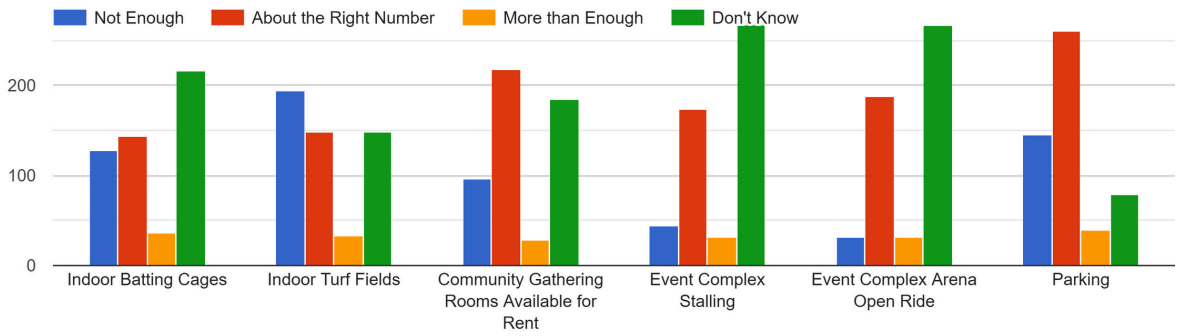

## Additional Write-In Answers

Written responses added detail to the survey's numerical results. Respondents raised concerns about access to tennis courts, crowded pickleball courts, playground equipment, dog-friendly trails and parks, and the availability of programs for younger children. Several requested Sunday hours or events, more convenient program times, and improvements to the registration website. Other suggestions included an outdoor pool, an indoor ice rink, and skate park improvements.

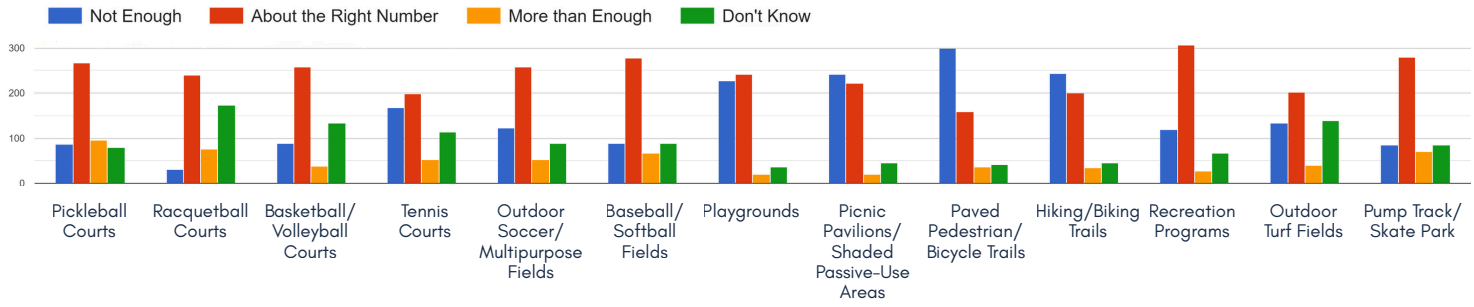
# RECREATION NEEDS

Respondents identified areas where additional amenities may be needed. More than half of those who rated paved pedestrian and bicycle trails said there are not enough (299 of 535). Respondents also identified a need for more hiking and biking trails (243 of 523), shaded picnic and passive-use areas (241 of 526), and playgrounds (227 of 524). Among indoor facilities, 194 of 524 respondents said there are not enough indoor turf fields.

When it comes to meeting the recreational needs of the community by way of FACILITIES, would you say there are currently:




When it comes to meeting the recreational needs of the community by way of AMENITIES, would you say there are currently:

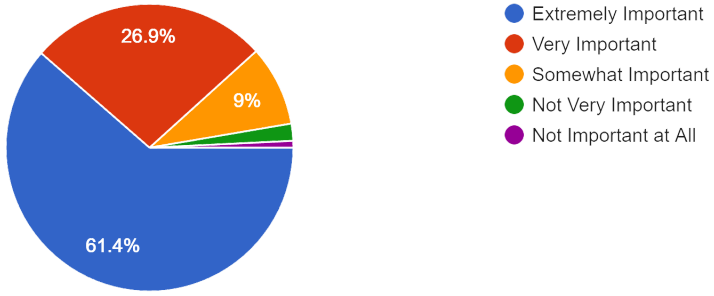


# PRESERVATION & ENHANCEMENT

Preserving existing spaces was a clear priority. Among those who answered the question, 88.3% said preserving and enhancing recreational facilities and open space at regional parks is very or extremely important. When asked about future growth, 73.9% preferred preserving existing park land and recreational facilities, even if that limits other development opportunities. Maintaining existing facilities also received the most first-place rankings among the five priorities presented for the next 10-15 years.

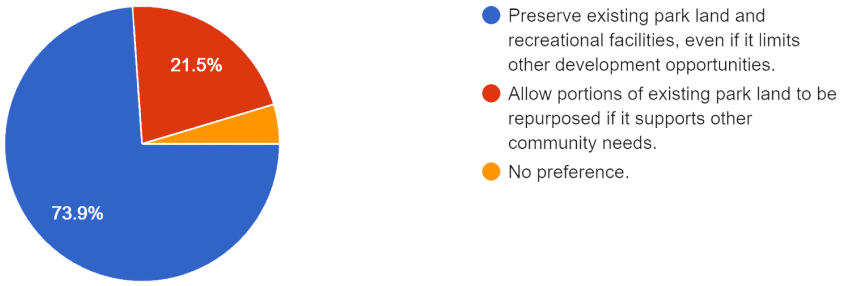
How important is it to you that Wasatch County Parks & Recreation preserves and enhances existing recreational facilities and open space wi...ch as Veterans Memorial Park and South Field Park?

521 responses

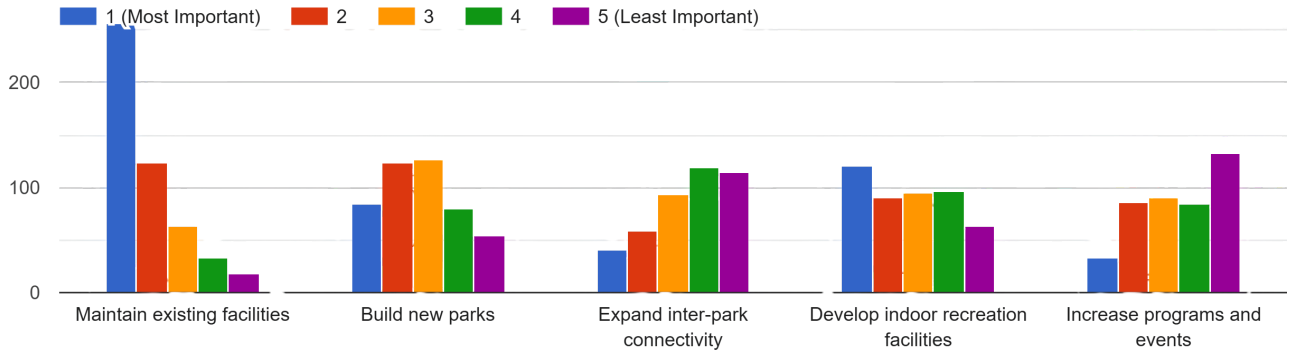



When planning for future growth, which statement best reflects your preference for regional parks such as Veterans Memorial Park South Field Park?

517 responses




Over the next 10-15 years, what would be the top priority for Wasatch County Parks and Recreation?

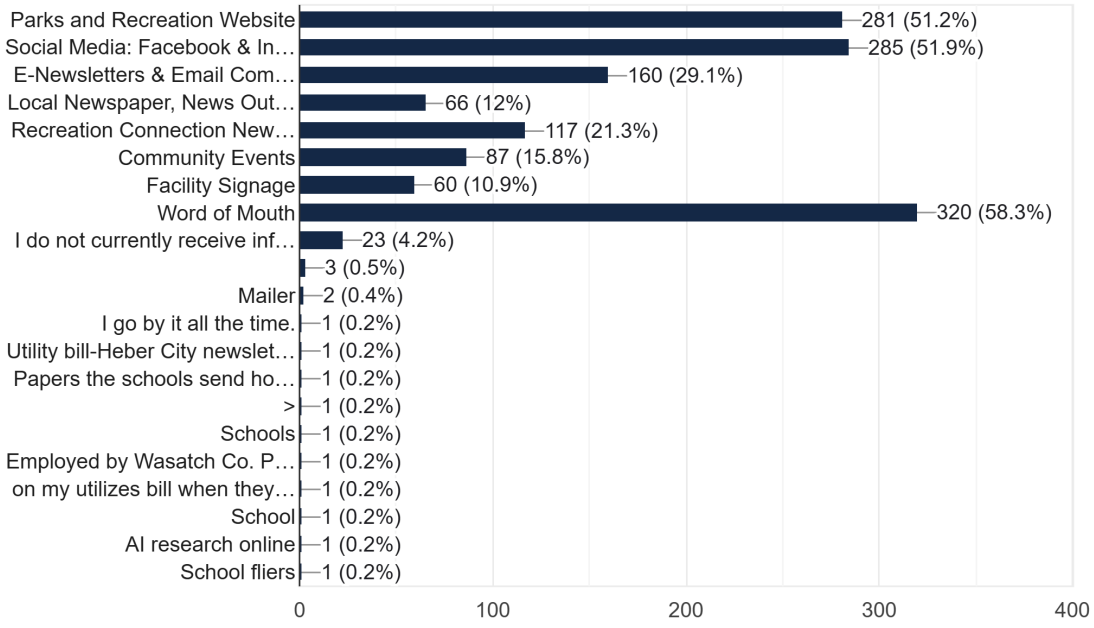


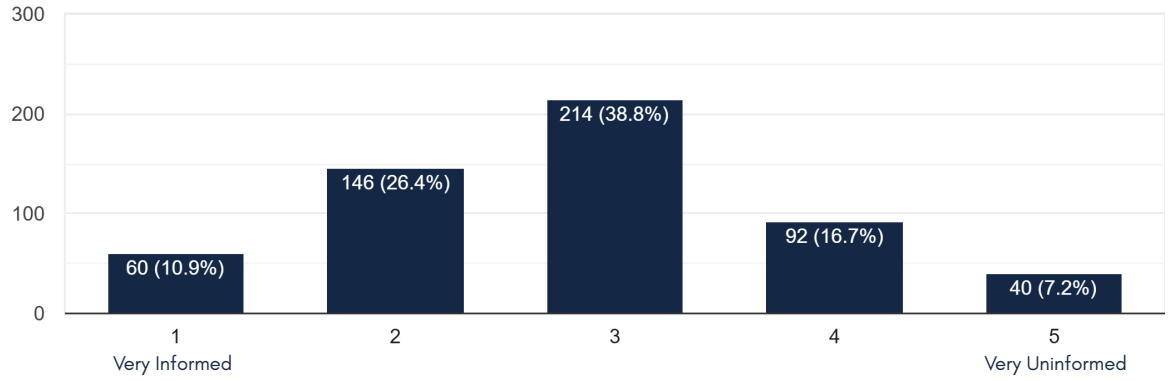
# COMMUNICATION & INFORMATION

The survey also points to an opportunity to improve communication. Lack of information was cited as a participation barrier by 32.8% of respondents, nearly as many as cited lack of time (32.2%). Word of mouth, social media, and the Parks and Recreation website were the most commonly selected ways respondents learn about opportunities. These findings can help guide how the department protects existing assets, evaluates future improvements, and connects residents with programs and facilities.

How do you typically learn about Wasatch County Parks & Recreation programs, facilities, events, and opportunities?

549 responses




Overall, how informed do you feel about Parks & Recreation opportunities available in Wasatch County?

552 responses