

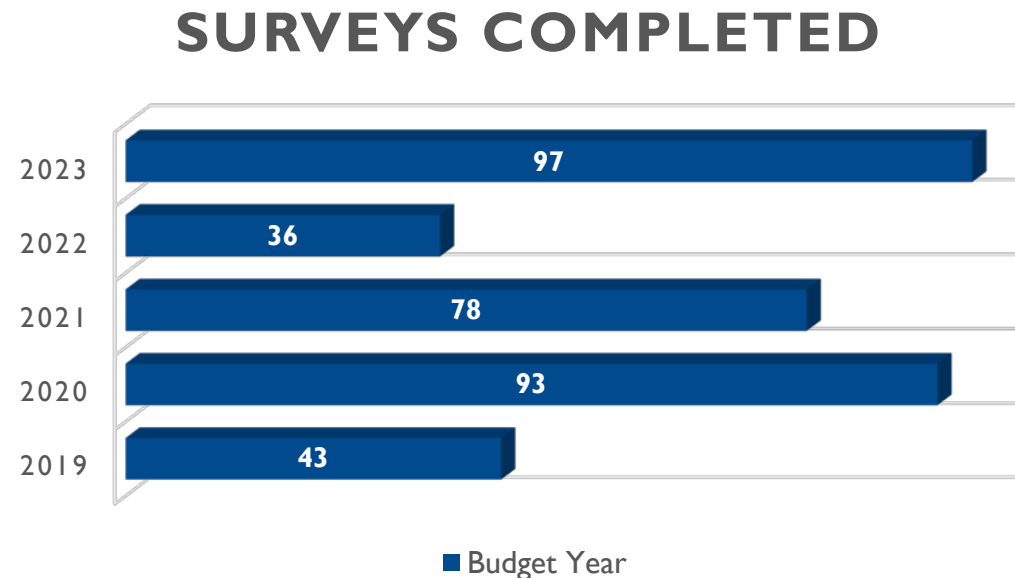


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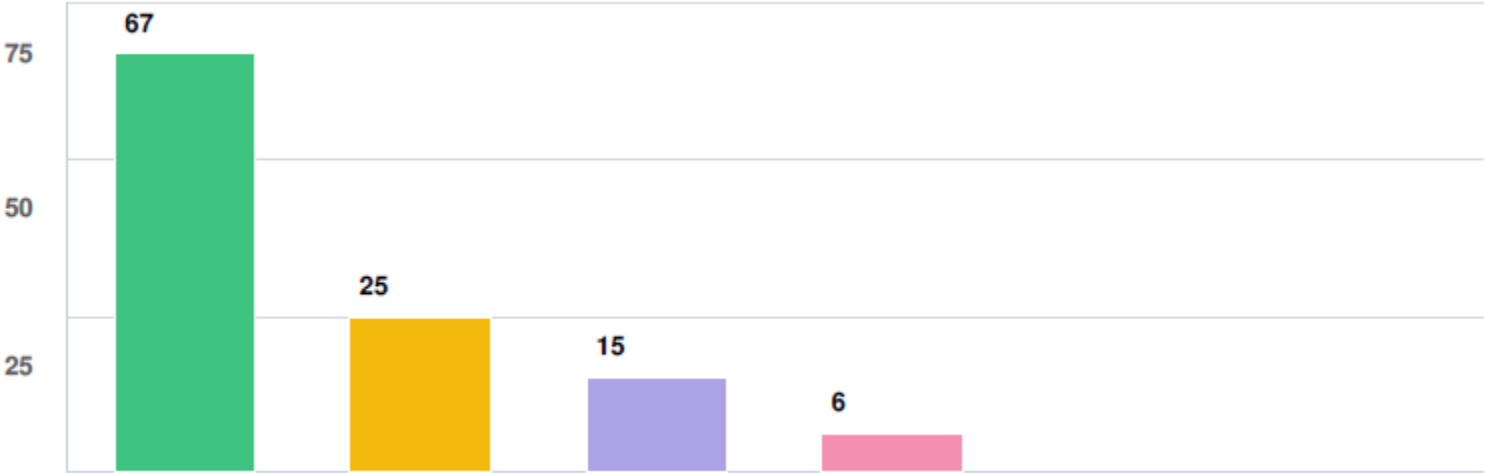
2023 Budget Survey Results

Highlights

- Online survey through Your Say North Perth, paper copies available at Municipal Office reception and all three North Perth Public Library branches
- 97 surveys completed

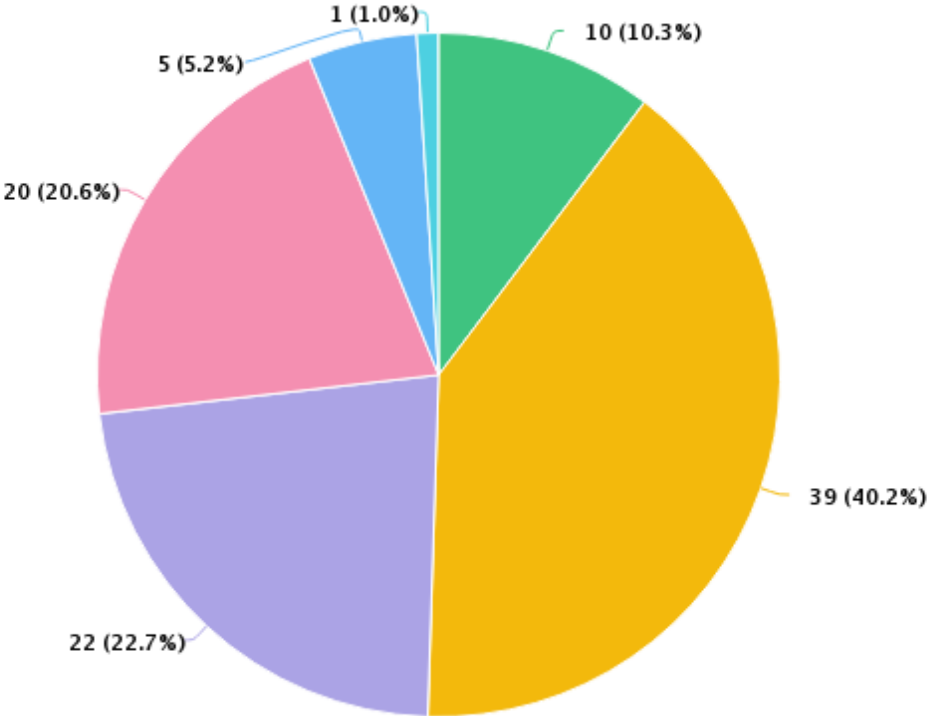


Type of property owned or living at in North Perth



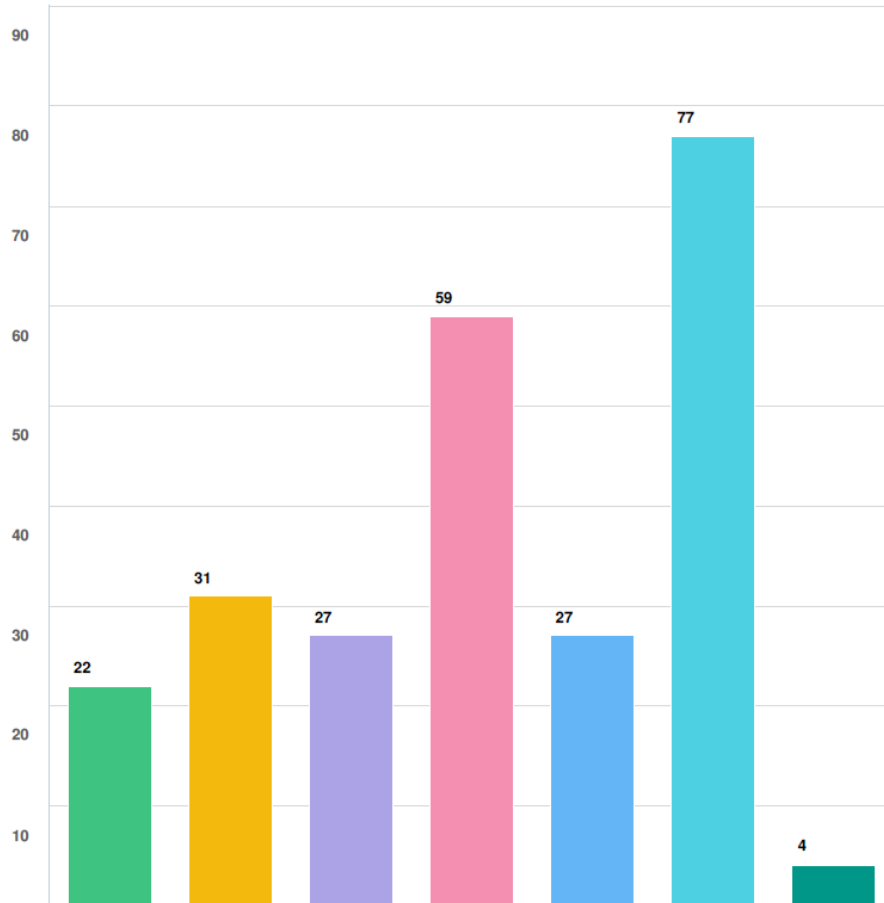
Urban residential	67
Rural residential	25
Farmland	15
Commercial	6
Industrial	0
I do not live or own property in North Perth	0

Age of Survey Respondents



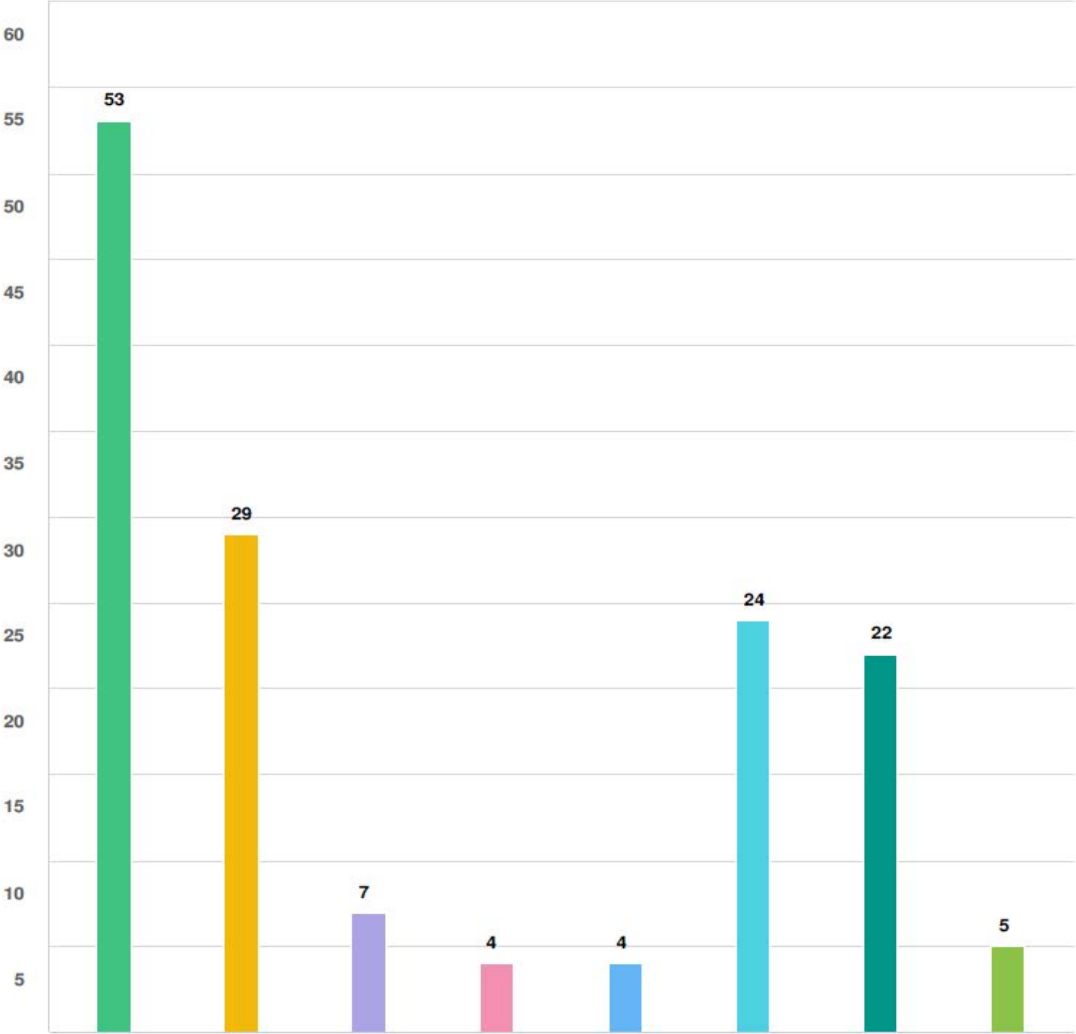
30 years and under	10
31 to 50 years	39
51 to 64 years	22
65 to 75 years	20
75 and above	5
Prefer not to say	1

Learning More About the Municipal Budget Process



How does the municipal budget process work?	22
How are taxes calculated?	31
How does MPAC calculate my property's Current Value Assessment?	27
What services do I receive for my tax dollars?	59
What is the difference between local municipal and county services and budgets?	27
What is the breakdown of what my tax dollars are put towards?	77
Other	4

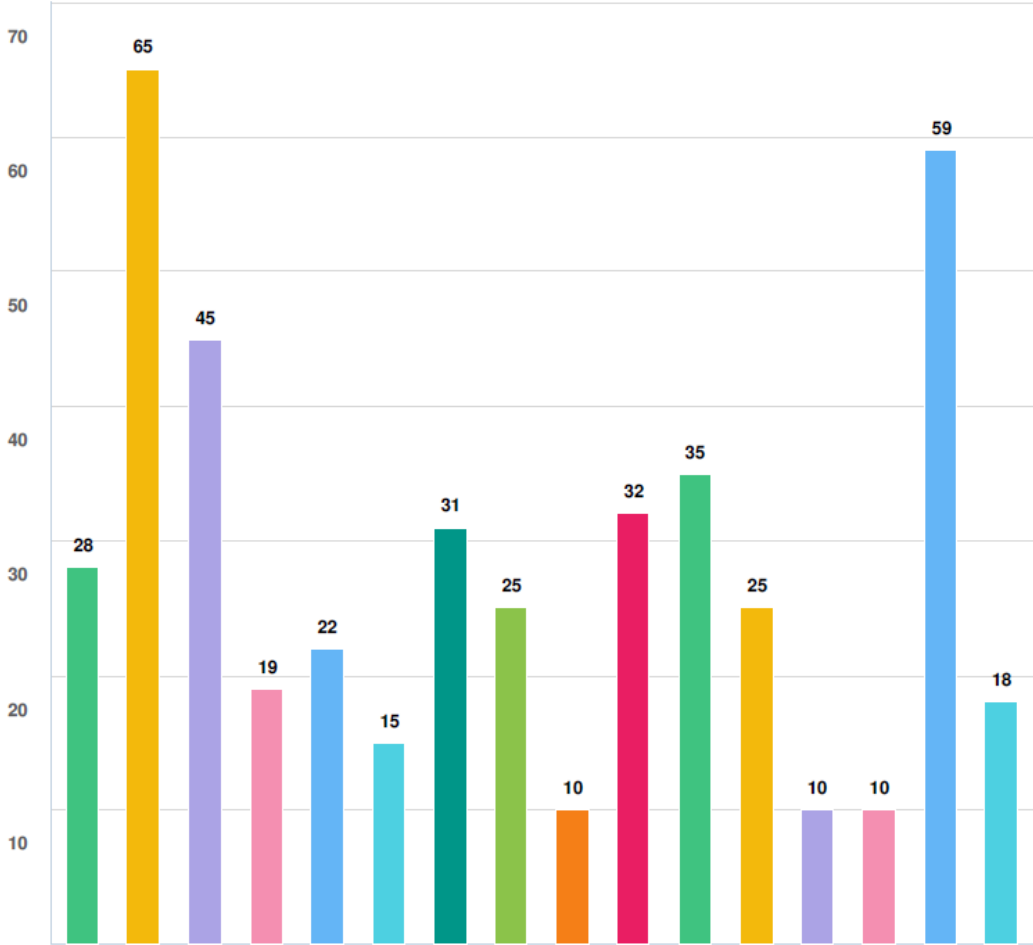
Preferred Method to Receive Information About the Municipality's Budget



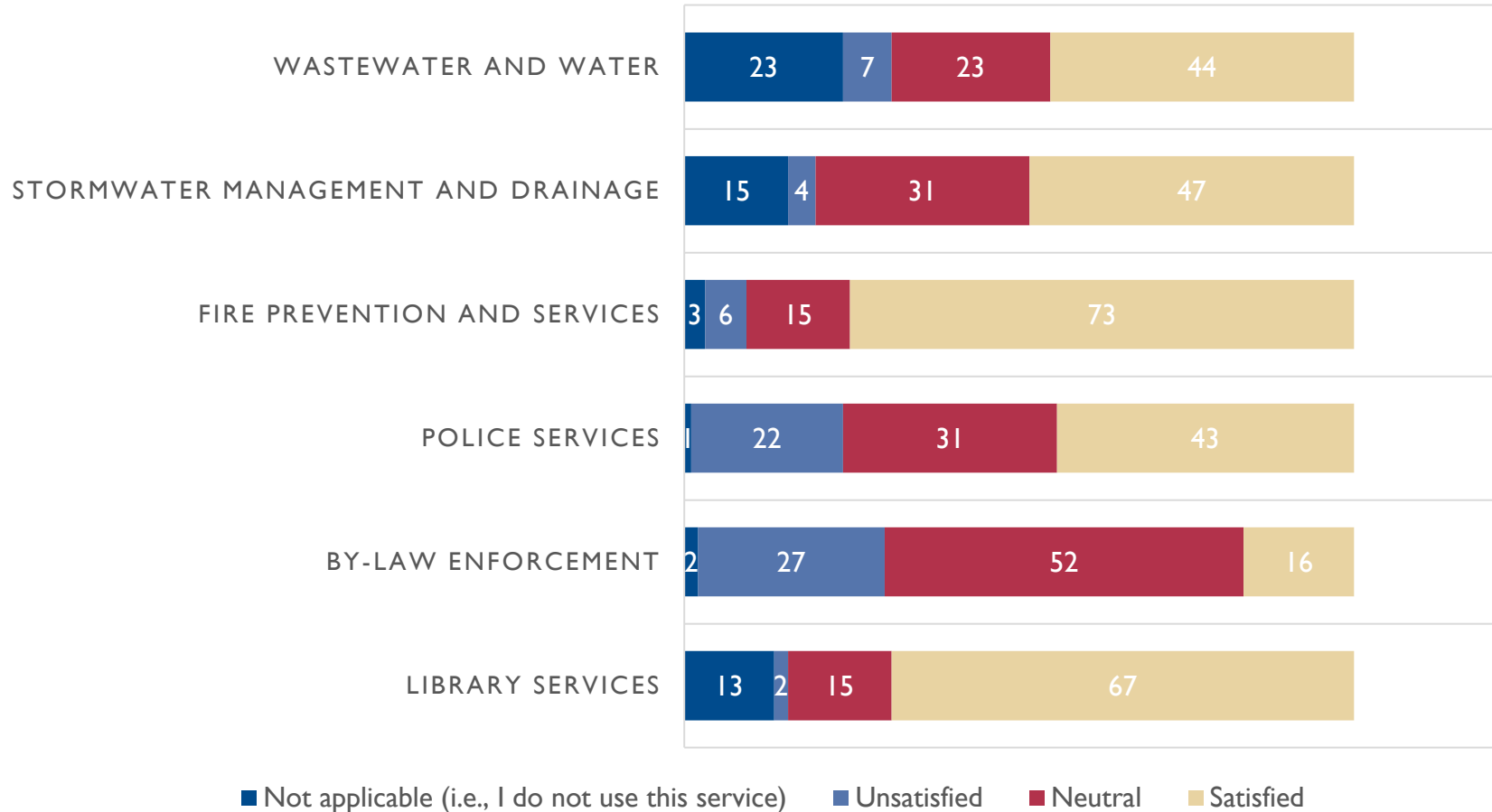
Municipal Website	53
Facebook Page	29
Twitter Account	7
Your Say North Perth website	4
Member of Council or staff	4
Local newspaper or radio	24
I haven't looked for information about the budget before	22
Other	5

From your perspective and recognizing that not everything is within the Municipality’s control, what are the most important concerns facing the Municipality at this time? Pick your top five.

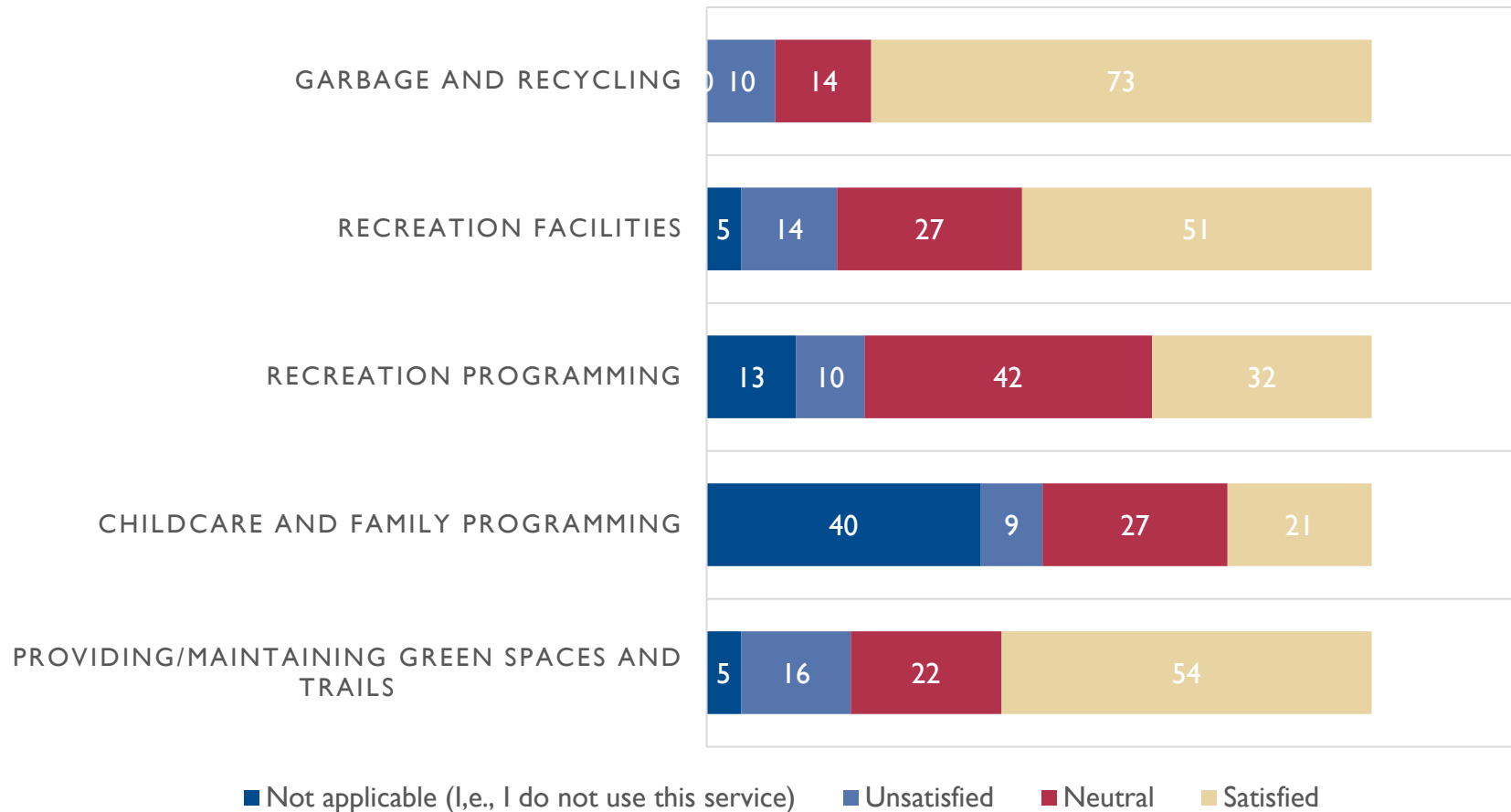
	Housing/Accommodations 28 (28.9%)
1	Traffic Issues 65 (67.0%)
3	General Infrastructure 45 (46.4%)
	Broadband Connectivity 19 (19.6%)
	Social Issues 22 (22.7%)
	Economy and Jobs 15 (15.5%)
	Growth, development and sustainability 31 (32.0%)
	Public Health and Mental Health 25 (25.8%)
	Climate Change 10 (10.3%)
5	Crime/Criminal Activity 32 (33.0%)
4	Property Taxes 35 (36.1%)
	Provision of Recreation Facilities, Parks, Trails 25 (25.8%)
	Provision of Programs and Childcare 10 (10.3%)
	Governance and Transparency 10 (10.3%)
2	Healthcare Recruitment 59 (60.8%)
	Agriculture and Agri-Business Sustainability and Promotion 18 (18.6%)



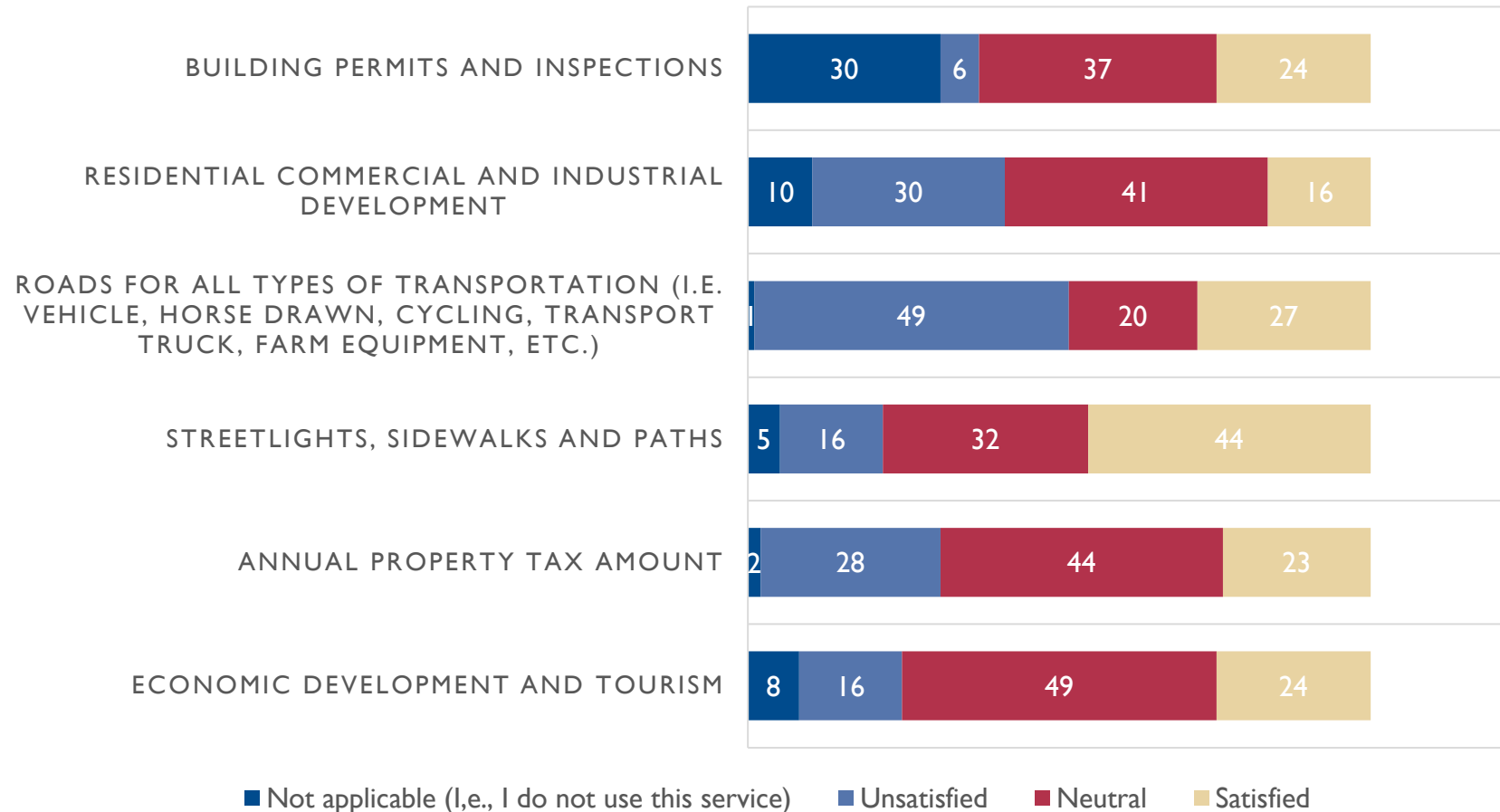
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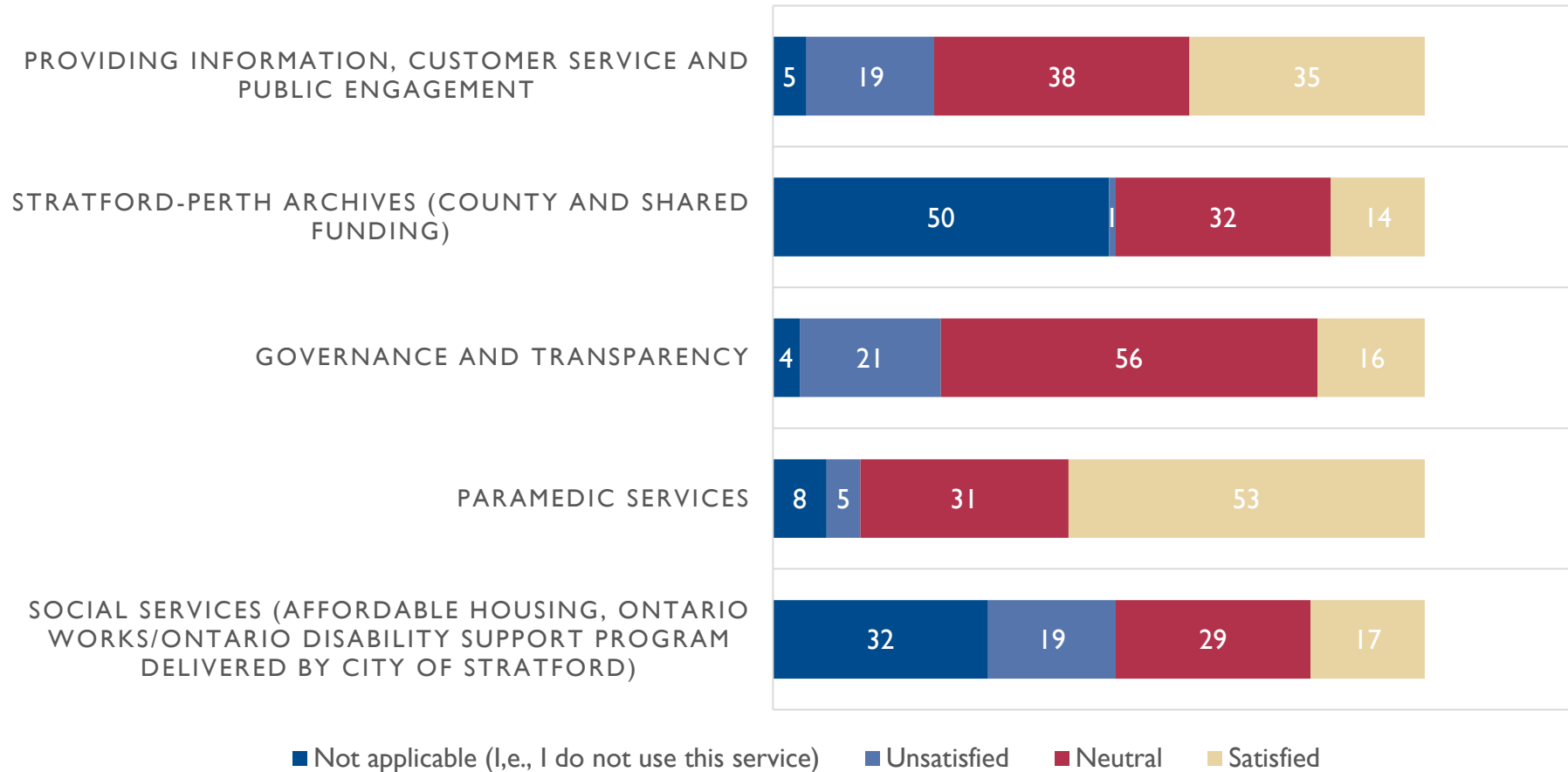
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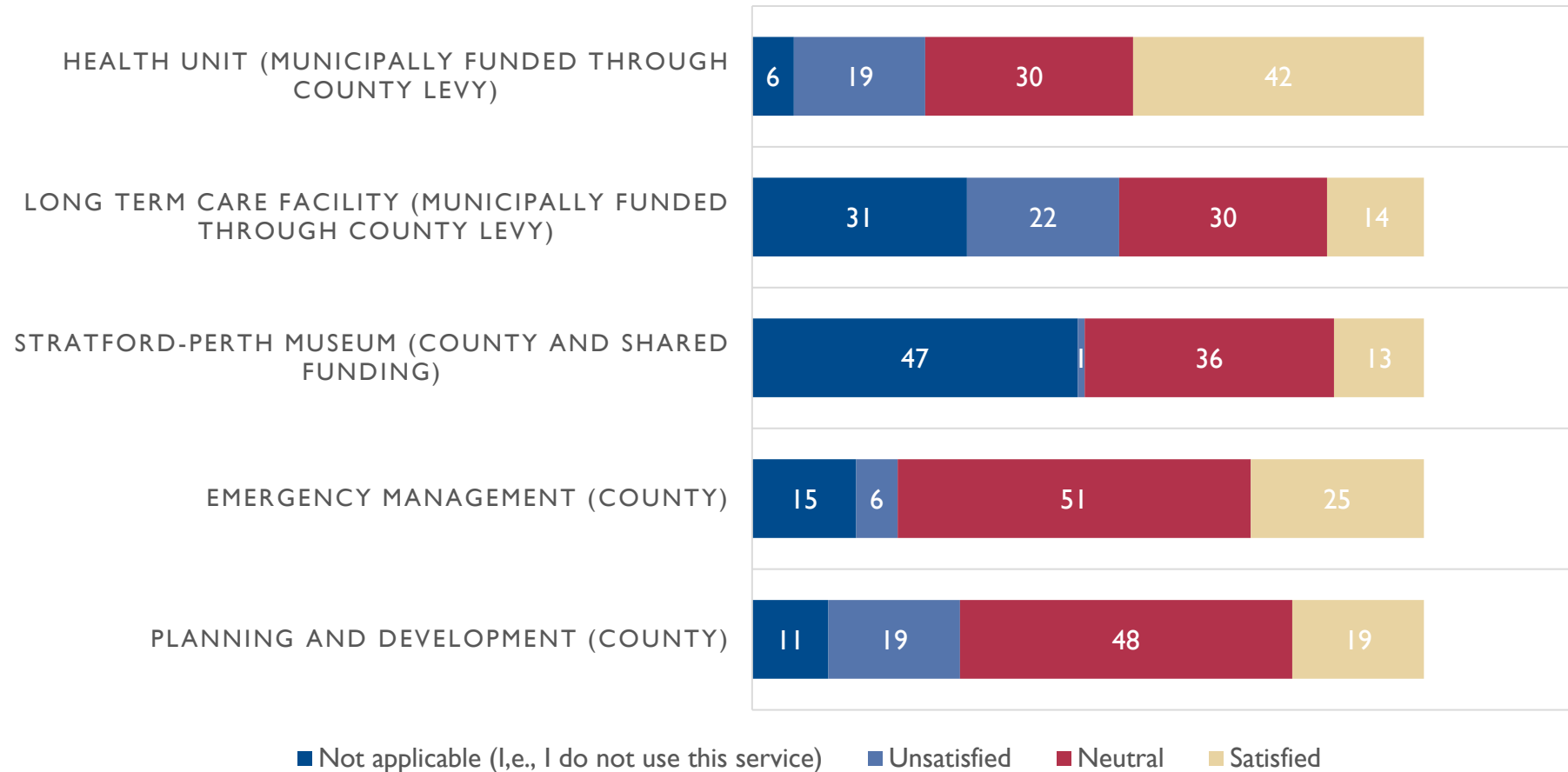
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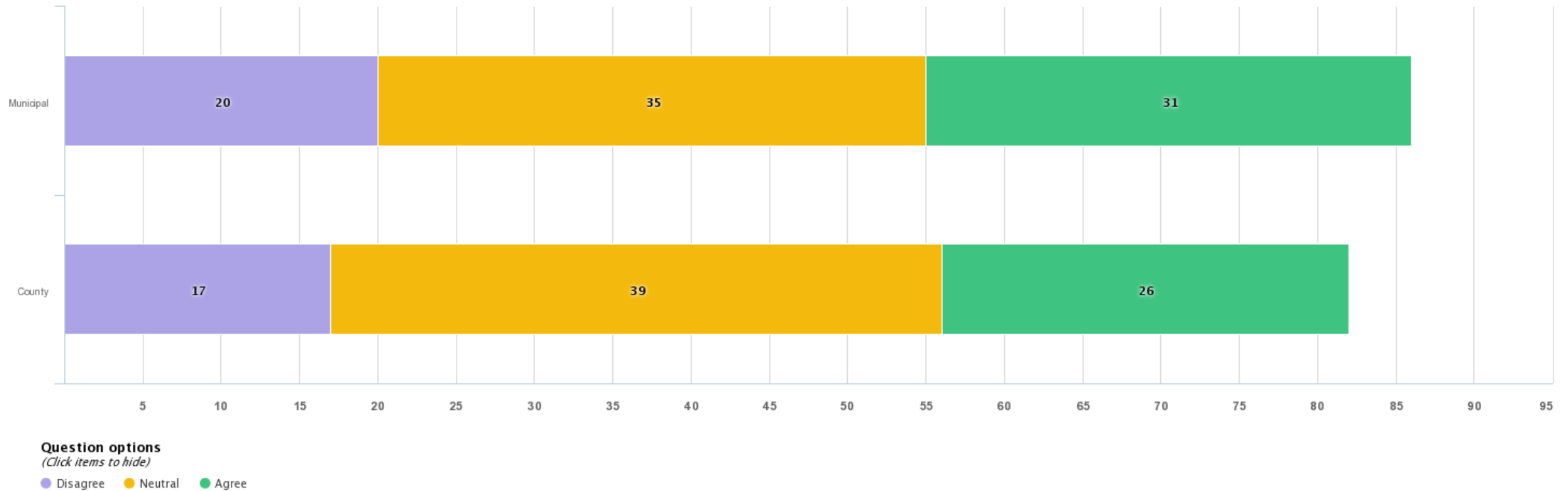
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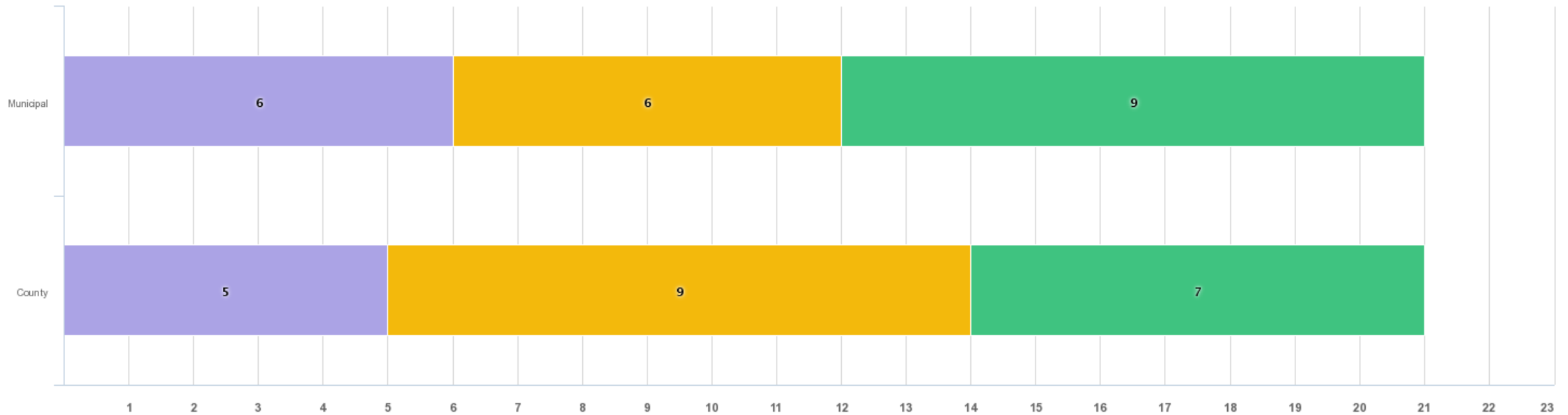
Please share any comments regarding your satisfaction with the delivery of municipal services.

- Green bins for food waste and paper
- Healthcare recruitment
- Indoor swimming pool
- Affordable housing
- Water discolouration
- Traffic flow/need for truck bypass
- Curbside pickup for yard waste and large items
- High crime rate for a small town
- Delayed response to by-law complaint
- Roads/sidewalks in disrepair
- Enforce by-laws
- Infrastructure needs to catch up to population growth
- Year-round trail maintenance
- New library in Atwood

In 2022, the average residential property, valued at \$257,084.00, would have paid \$3067.07 in property taxes. Of this amount, \$701.97 was allocated to the County of Perth, \$393.34 was allocated to school boards, and \$1971.76 stayed with the Municipality of North Perth. Overall, to what extent do you agree or disagree that you received good value for the municipal and county portion of your tax dollars?



In 2022, the average agricultural property, valued at \$1,314,222.00, would have paid \$3919.74 in property taxes. Of this amount, \$897.13 was allocated to the County of Perth, \$502.69 was allocated to school boards, and \$2,519.92 stayed with the Municipality of North Perth. Overall, to what extent do you agree or disagree that you received good value for the municipal and county portion of your tax dollars?

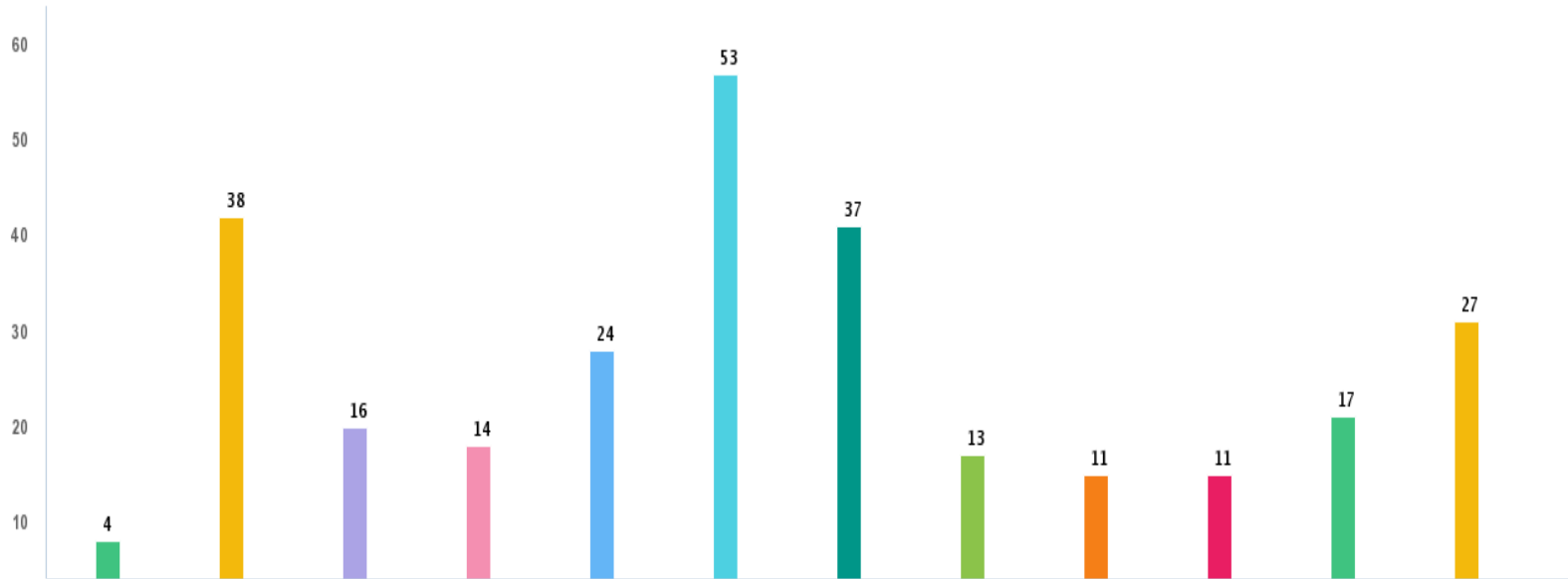


Question options
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Disagree Neutral Agree

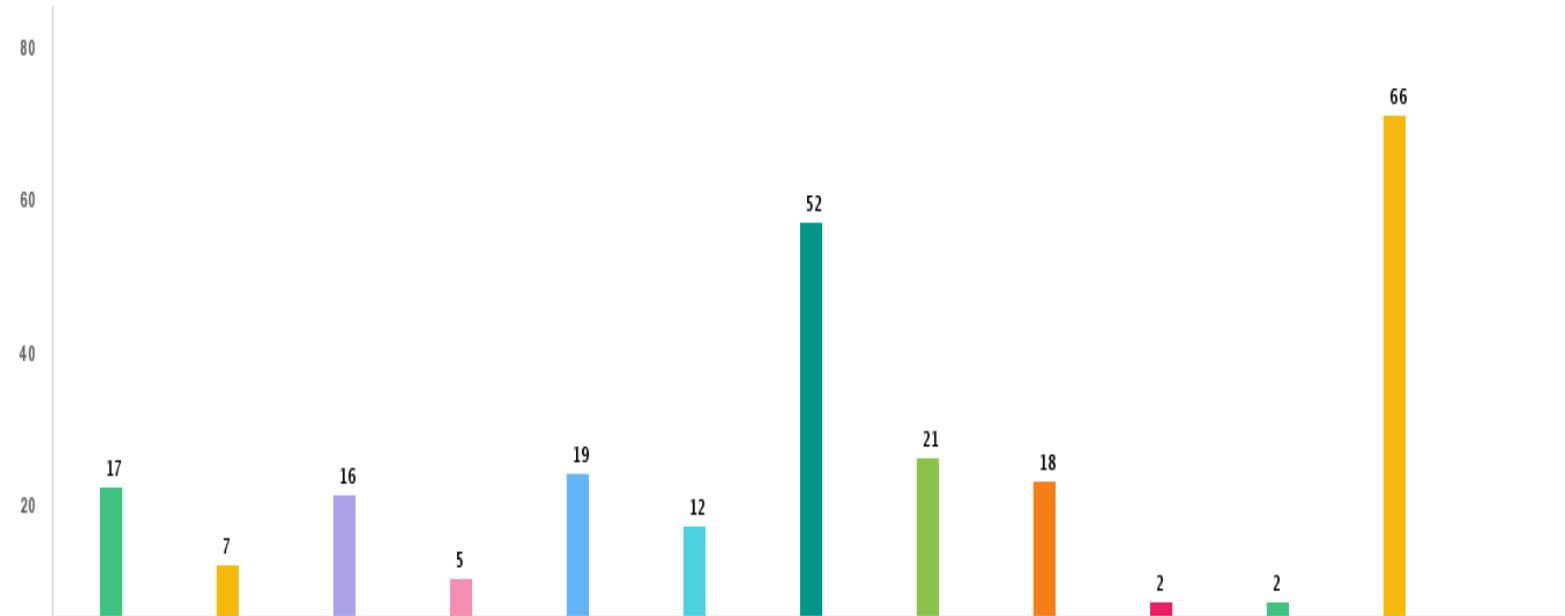
Select up to three (3) service areas where you would like to see *MORE* tax dollars spent.

	Library 4
2	Facilities 38
	Programs 16
	Fire 14
	Bylaw Enforcement 24
1	Public Works 53
3	North Perth Special Initiatives 37
	Economic Development 13
	Paramedic Services 11
	Social Services 11
	Health Unit 17
	Long Term Care Facility 27
	Stratford-Perth Archives 0
	Stratford-Perth Museum 0



Select up to three (3) service areas where you would like to see *LESS* tax dollars spent.

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	Facilities 7
	Programs 16
	Fire 5
	Bylaw Enforcement 19
	North Perth Special Initiatives 12
2	Stratford-Perth Archives 52
3	Economic Development 21
	Social Services 18
	Health Unit 2
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Please share any comments you have regarding where you would like to see more and/or less tax dollars spent.

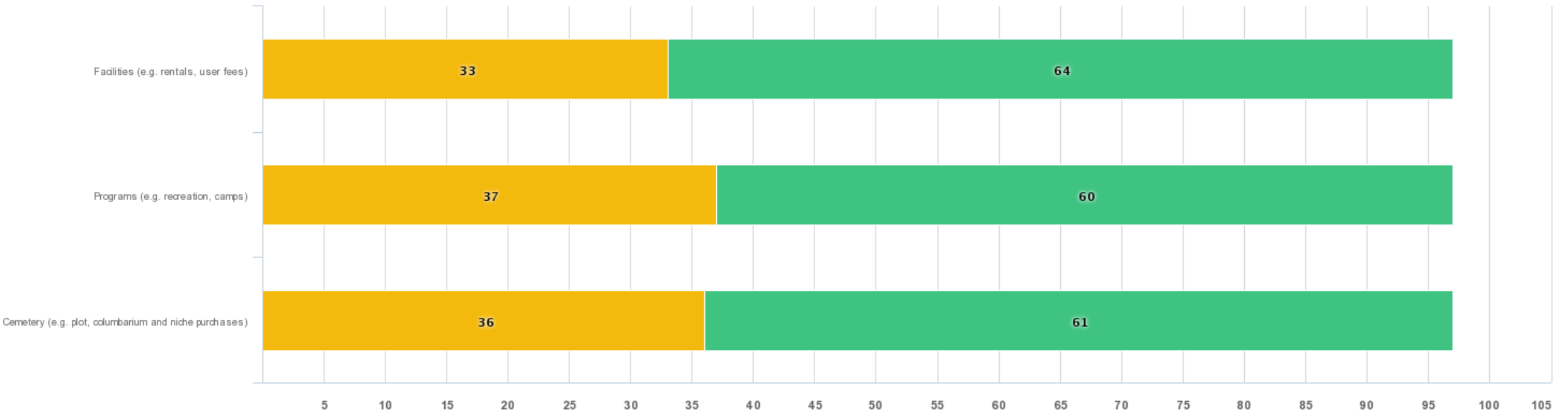
MORE:

- Streetlights in Atwood and Kurtzville
- Law enforcement
- Healthcare recruitment
- Restaurants/hotels
- Indoor swimming pool
- Affordable housing
- Truck bypass
- Infrastructure

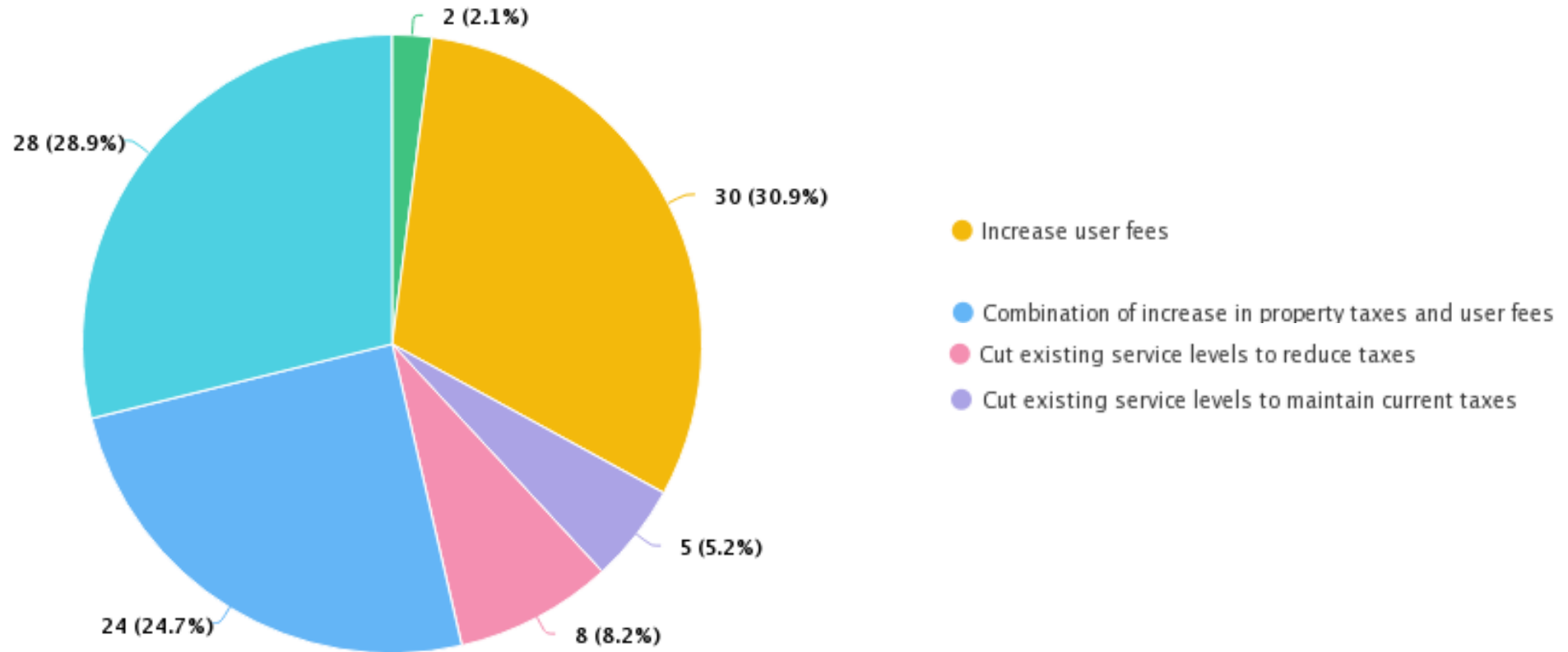
LESS:

- Staffing
- County
- Climate change

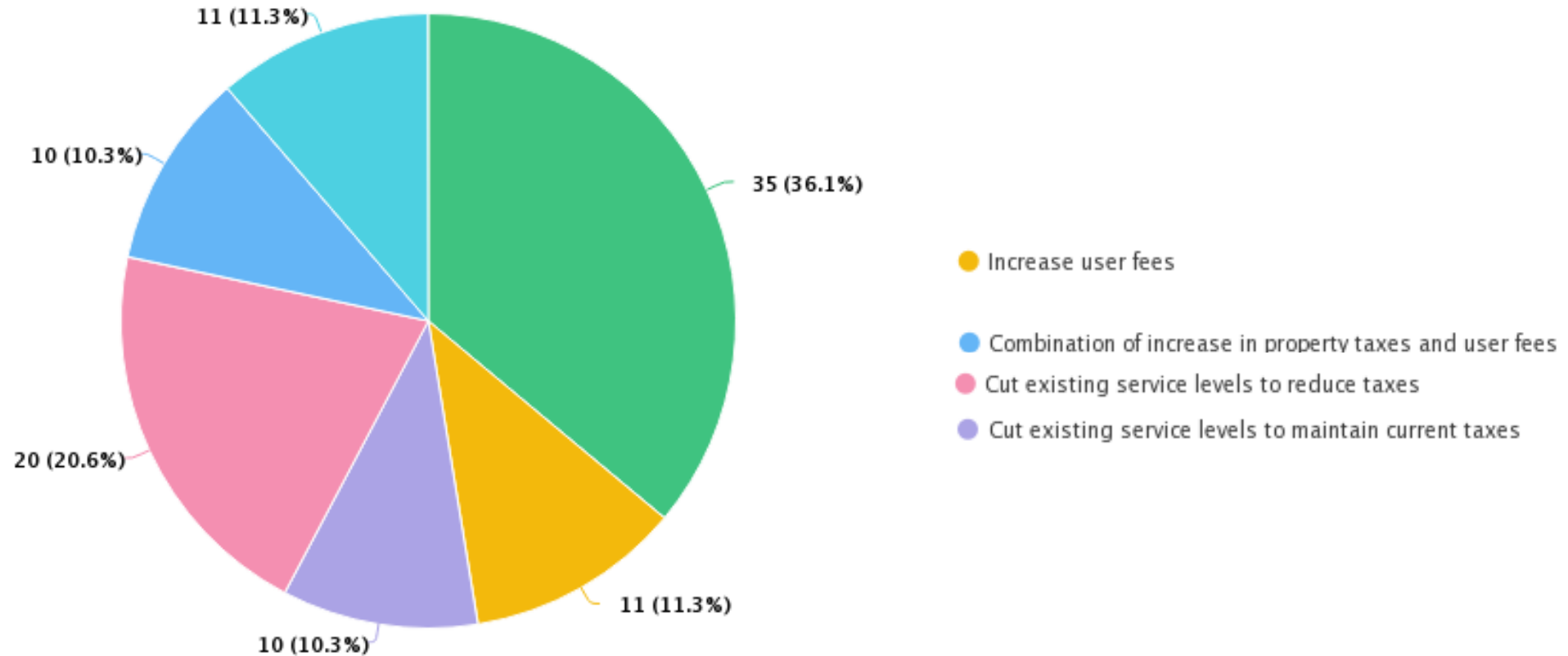
Some services provided by the Municipality charge user fees but run a deficit as the user fee charged does not cover the total cost to provide the service. These deficits are then funded by municipal tax dollars. Please indicate whether you would support an increase in user fees for the services below in order to remove/reduce their deficit.



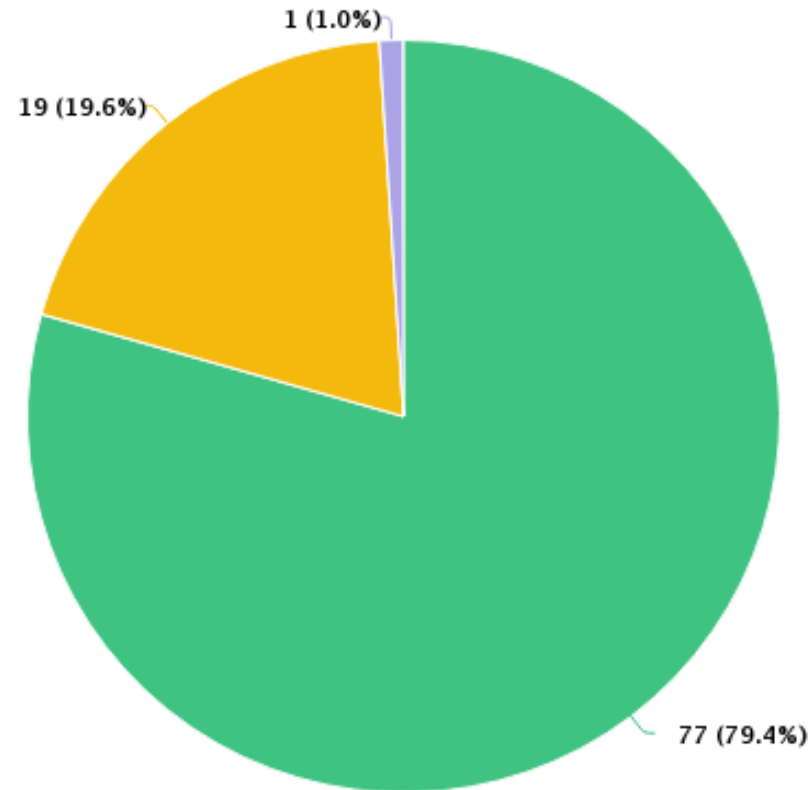
There are a limited number of ways to address increased costs to pay for Municipal and County services. To balance the budget, please select which option you would support the most.



There are a limited number of ways to address increased costs to pay for Municipal and County services. To balance the budget, please select which option you would support the least.



How important is it to you that funding is set aside to replace infrastructure such as roads, bridges, and buildings to ensure existing levels of service are provided in future years?



Tell us your innovative ideas for building a better, stronger community for the budget process.



Sharing the wealth all over North Perth, not just Listowel



Regular community town halls for residents to express concerns and solutions



User fees should cover the costs of doing business



Utilize facilities to full potential – opportunity for income during downtime



Seek out other partners to share costs of services

What information would you like to receive from the Municipality that you are currently not receiving?



Electronic newsletters sent out monthly focusing on Municipal activities



Information about new buildings and projects



Breakdown geographically where funds are being used versus what was budgeted but not completed



Information on Official Plan changes



Affordable housing units being built



More communication on where funds are going