

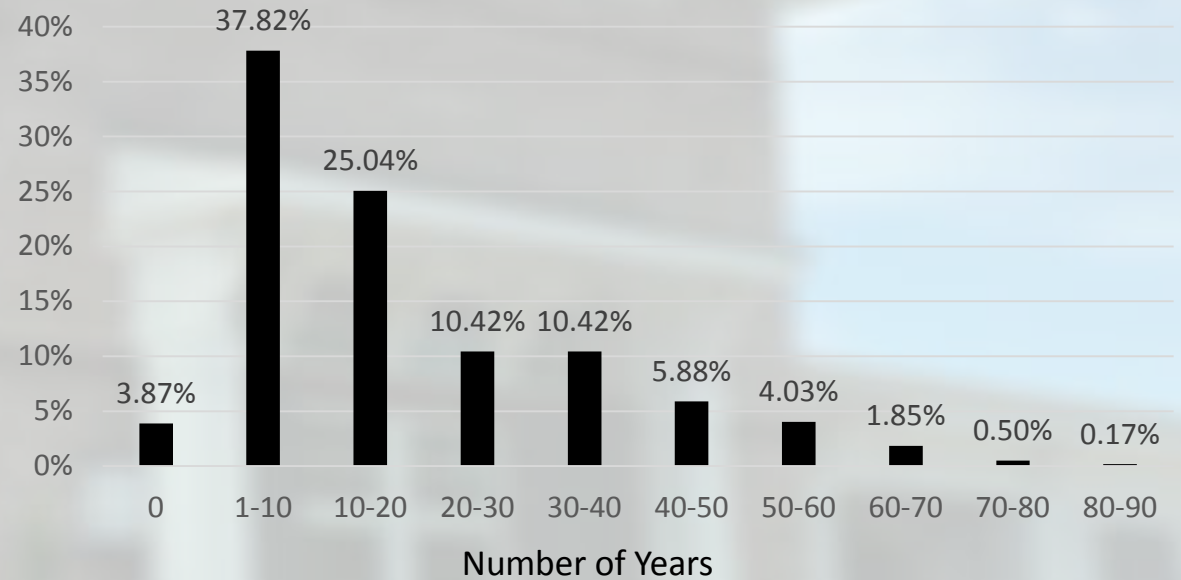


Survey Results

Do you own property within the town limits of Blythewood?

Yes **63%**
No **37%**

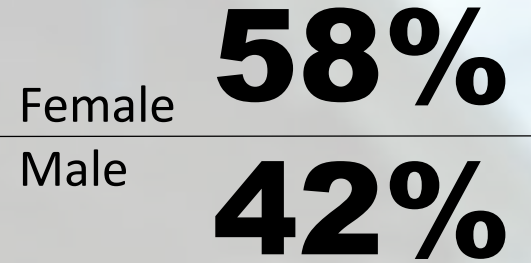
How long have you lived in Richland County?



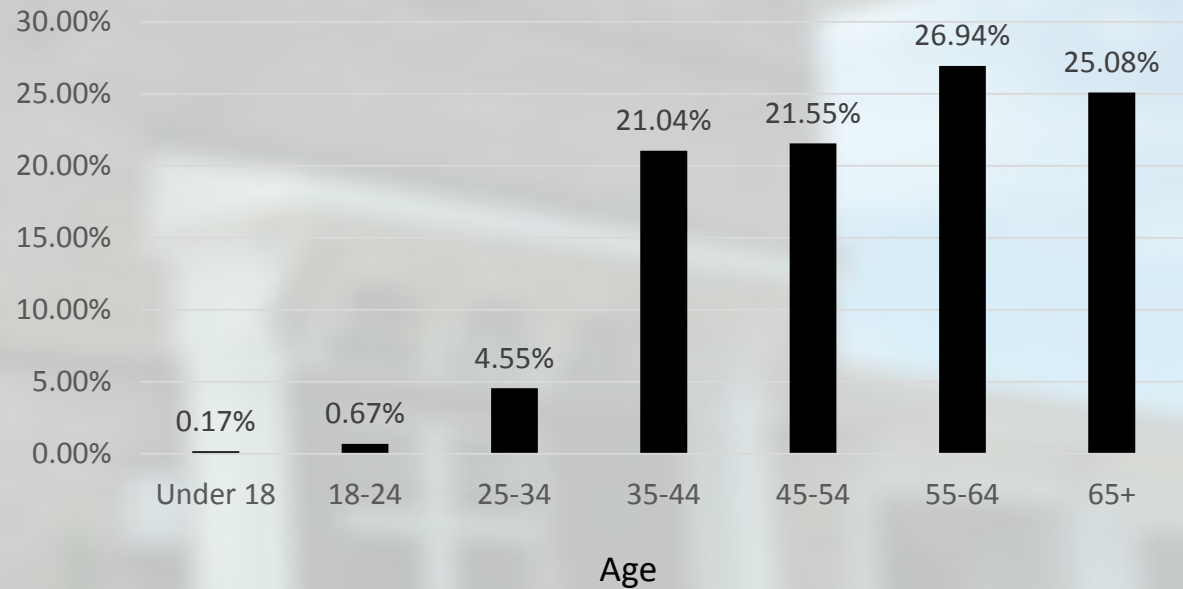


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What is your gender?



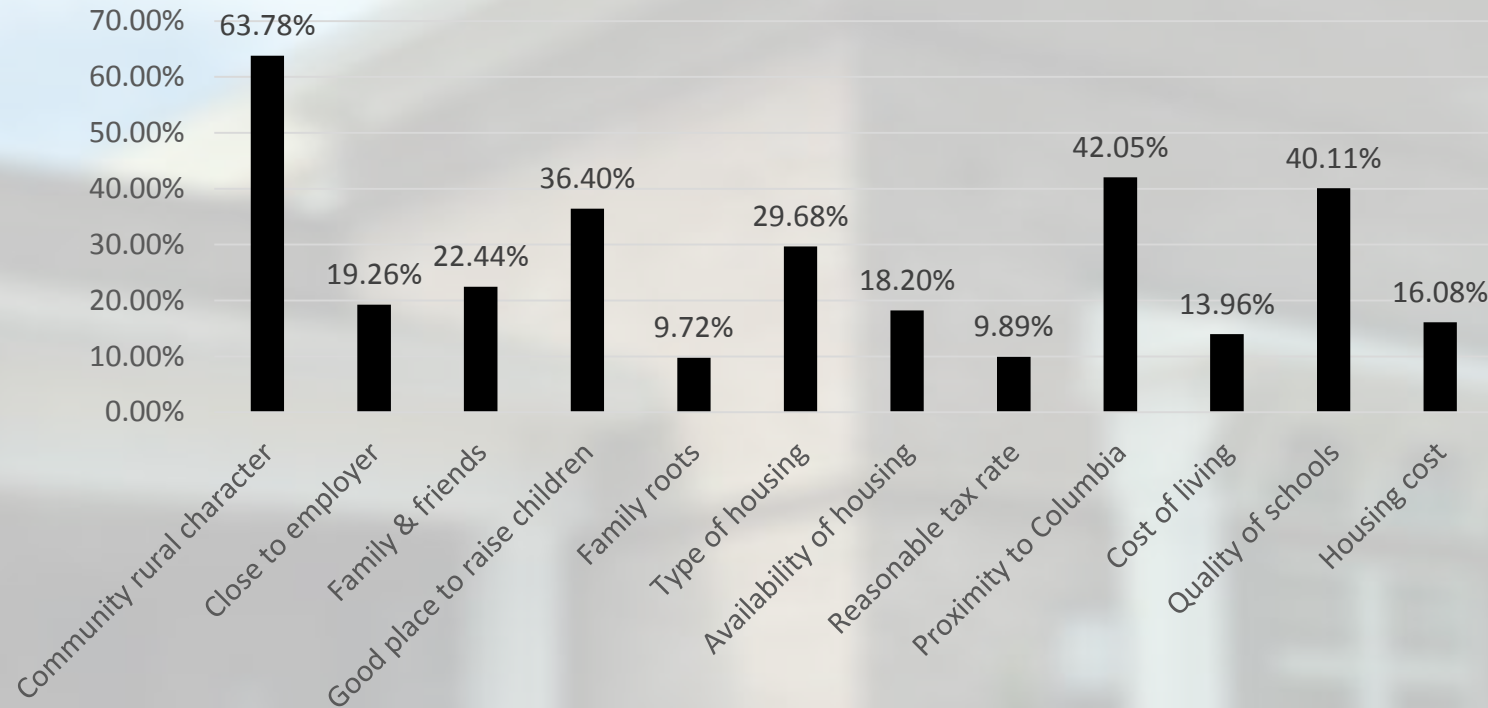
What is your age?





Survey Results

Why did you choose Blythewood?



Other Responses

- Large lots
- Proximity to Lake
- Community/Neighborhood Character
- Family
- Safety
- Recommended
- Events
- Housing Cost
- Interstate Access
- Proximity to Charlotte
- Proximity to Ridgeway
- Golf
- Schools
- Low Taxes
- Horses/Farms
- University Club
- Progressive Master Plan
- Affordability

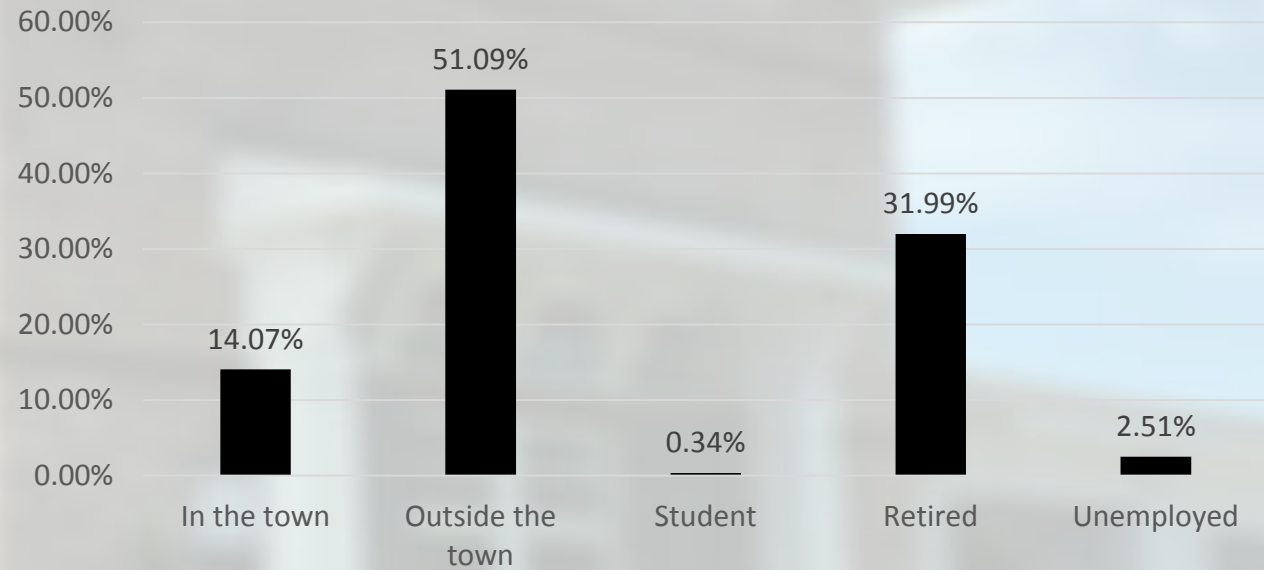


Survey Results

Have you read the current comprehensive plan?

Yes **29%**
No **71%**

Where do you work?





What is your biggest concern about the future of Blythewood?

- 65% Growth** Too much growth, uncontrolled development, overcrowding, sprawl
- 33% Transportation** Traffic and congestion issues, roads not keeping up with growth
- 15% Infrastructure/Services** Inadequate infrastructure, public facilities, and public services; not keeping up with growth
- 13% Community Character** Loss of rural, small town character as a result of growth
- 8.6% Amenities** Inadequate commercial and entertainment amenities such as dining, shopping, locally owned businesses, and a vibrant town center



What is your biggest concern about the future of Blythewood?

Keyword	Description	Responses	Percent
Growth	Too much growth, uncontrolled development, overcrowding, sprawl	373	65.44%
Transportation	Traffic and congestion issues, roads not keeping up with growth	187	32.81%
Infrastructure/Services	Inadequate infrastructure, public facilities, and public services; not keeping up with growth	83	14.56%
Community Character	Loss of rural, small town character	74	12.98%
Amenities	Inadequate amenities such as dining, entertainment, shopping, locally owned businesses, town center	49	8.60%
Crime	Increasing crime	32	5.61%
Schools	Inadequate schools; not keeping up with growth	29	5.09%
Planning	Need for better planning and growth management	29	5.09%
Commercialization	Too much commercialization (e.g., fast food, big box stores, chains)	25	4.39%
Environment	Concern for natural and cultural resources as a result of growth (e.g., loss of open space)	19	3.33%
Housing	Concern for increase in low income housing; increase in cheap, poorly constructed housing	18	3.16%
Cost of Living	Increasing taxes, HOA fees, housing costs	15	2.63%
Recreation	Inadequate recreation facilities and youth activities, not keeping up with growth	11	1.93%
Identity/Branding/Appearance	Lack of community identity; need for better branding and recognition; poor appearance	7	1.23%
Bike/Ped	Inadequate bike and pedestrian facilities	6	1.05%
Leadership	Not enough community leadership	3	0.53%
Inclusivity	Need for equity and inclusion	3	0.53%
Annexation	Need for annexation to better control growth	3	0.53%



Survey Results

What are your current concerns?

Current Concerns (Similar to Long term)

Growth
Traffic
Inadequate Infrastructure/Services
Limited Shopping and Entertainment
Public Safety
Code Enforcement
Loss of Open Space

What changes within Blythewood (negative or positive) over the last 10 years have you noticed?

Negative Changes

Growth
Traffic
Litter
Fast Food
Crime
School Redistricting
Upkeep of Playground Equipment
Lack of Recreation Amenities
Old/Rundown Buildings
School Crowding
Water Supply
McNulty Road
No Downtown

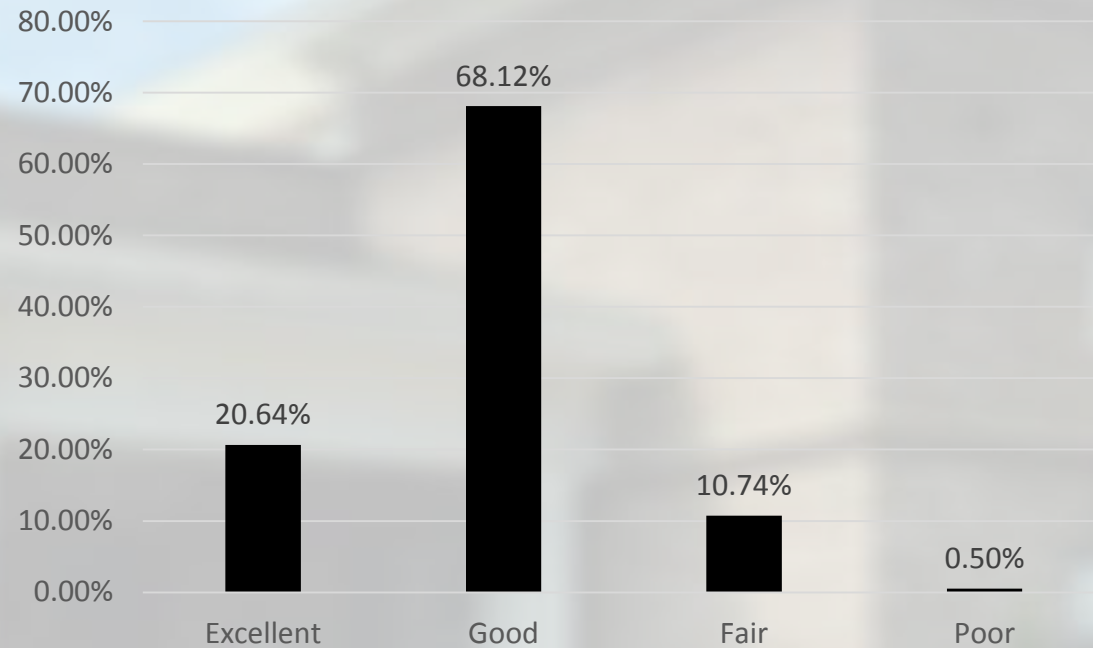
Positive Changes

Doko Meadows/Doko Manor
Parks
Growth
New Businesses
Entertainment
Family Friendly Events
WIFI Access
Community/Cultural Events
Freeway Music
Farmers Market
Library
Police Substation
Gateway Landscaping

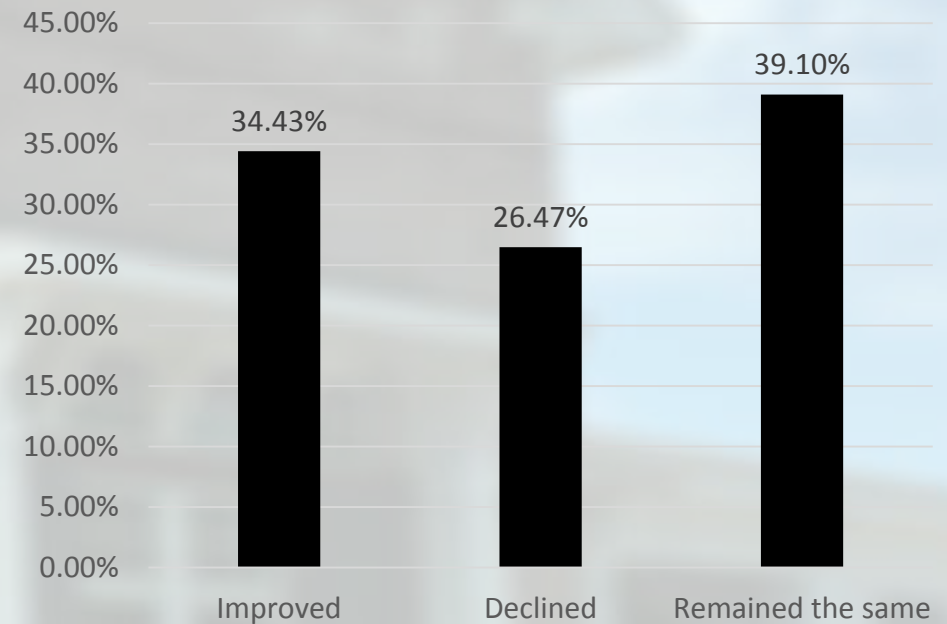


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Is the Quality of Life Good?



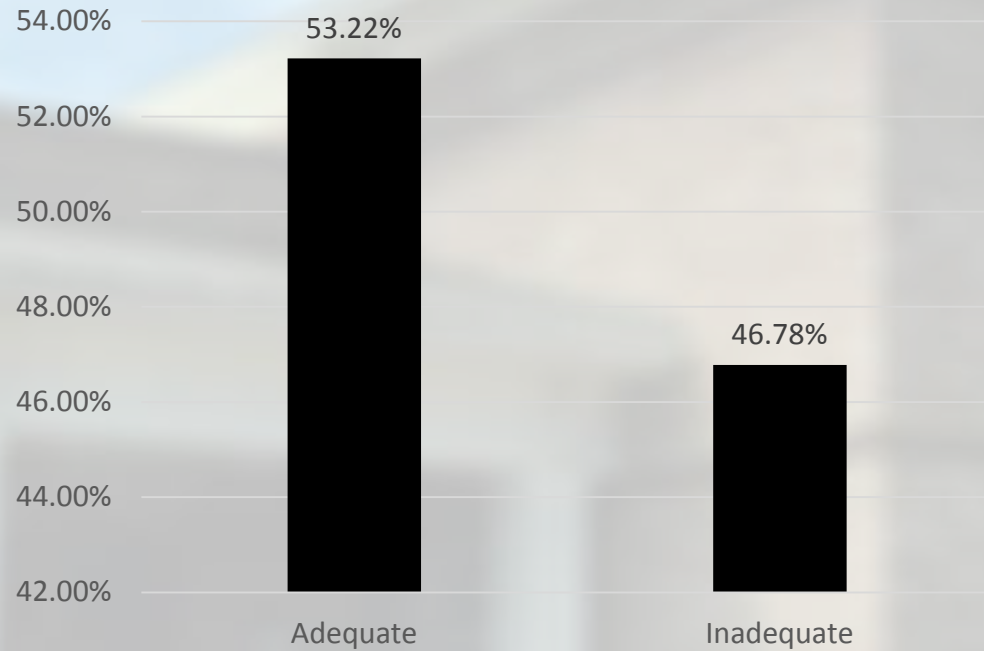
Is it Improving?



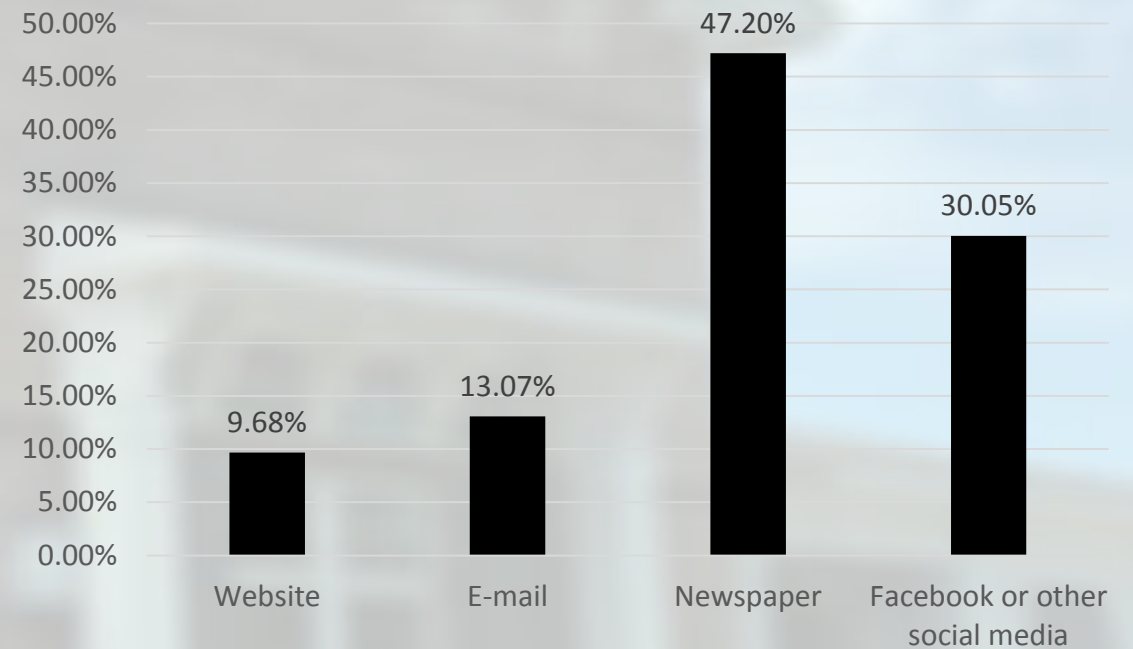


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Recreational Activities are...?



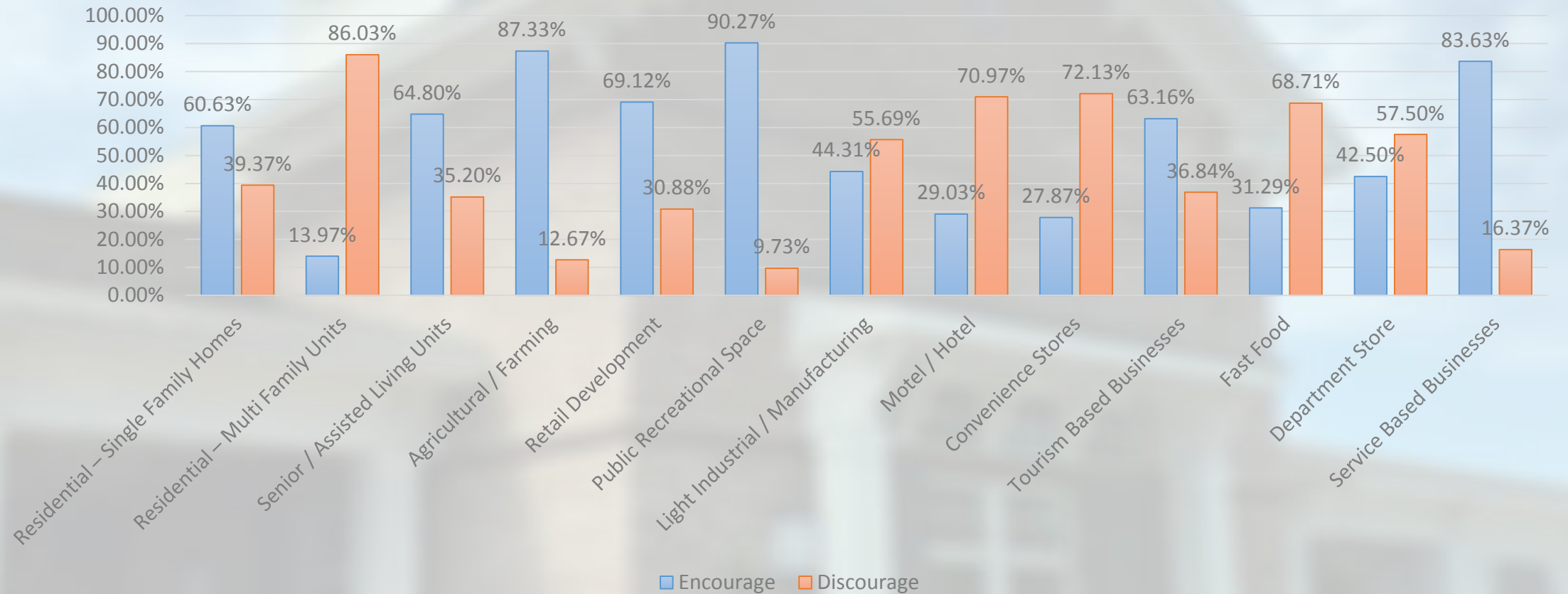
How do you receive your news in the Town?





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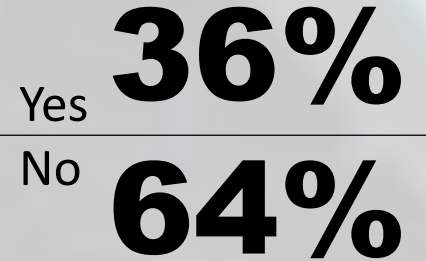
Encourage or Discourage?





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Would you like to see another land use in Blythewood?



If Yes, What Type of Land Use?

35% - Active Recreation (Ballfields, Disc Golf, Pool, Dog Park, Skate Park)

18% - Retail, Dining, Entertainment

13% - Open Space/Conservation

12% - Bike and Pedestrian Facilities, Trails

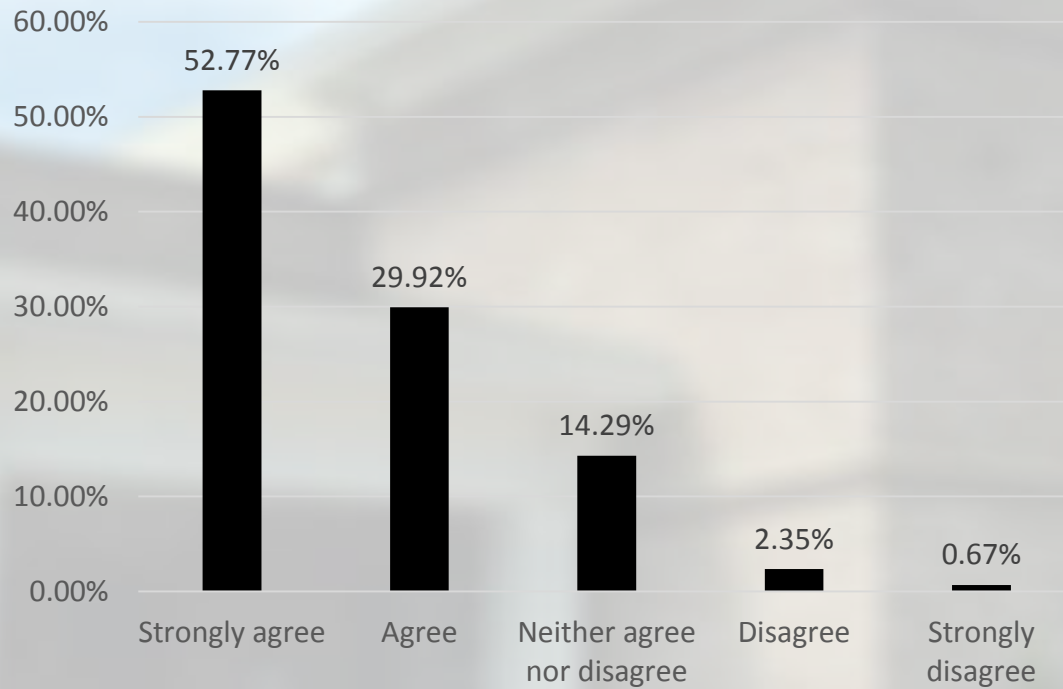
4% - Rural, Agricultural, Horse Farms

Others - Industrial, Senior Housing, Senior Center, Community Gardens, Youth Center, Arts, Brewery, Town Center, Small Businesses, Community Pond/Hunting Area, Mixed Use PDD, Medical Facilities, Equine Facilities

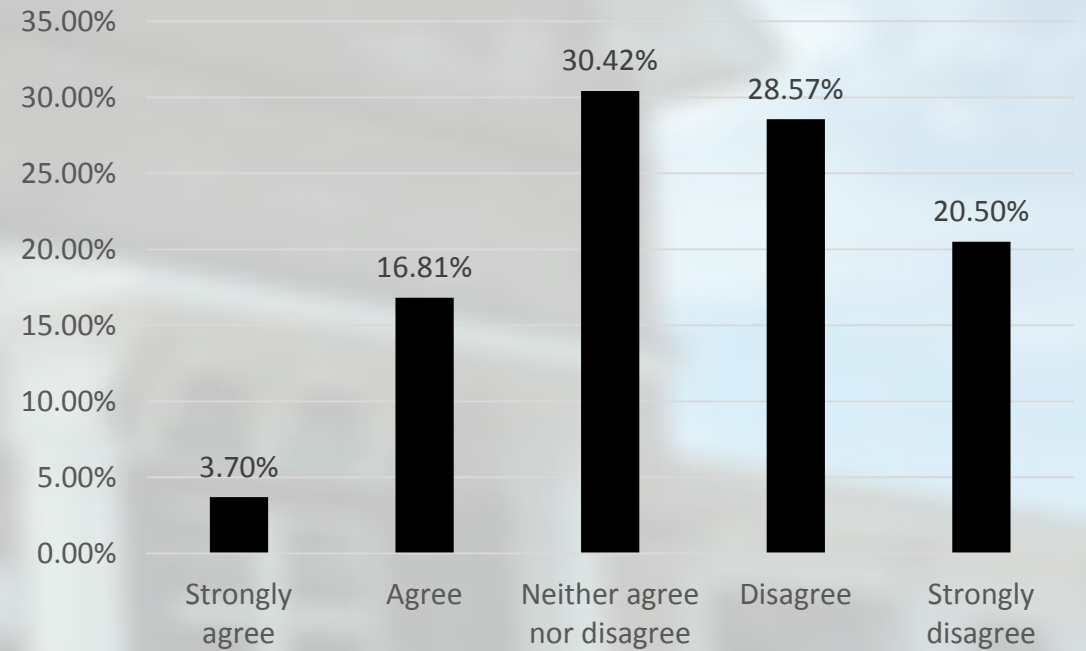


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Pursue Agricultural Preservation?



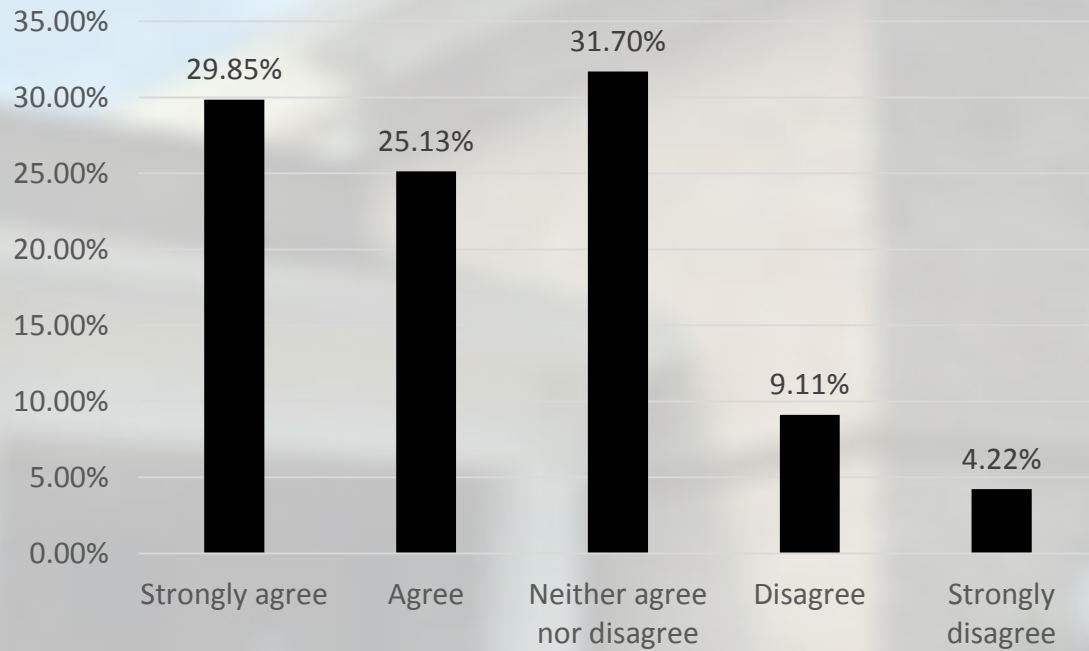
Pursue Industrial Space?



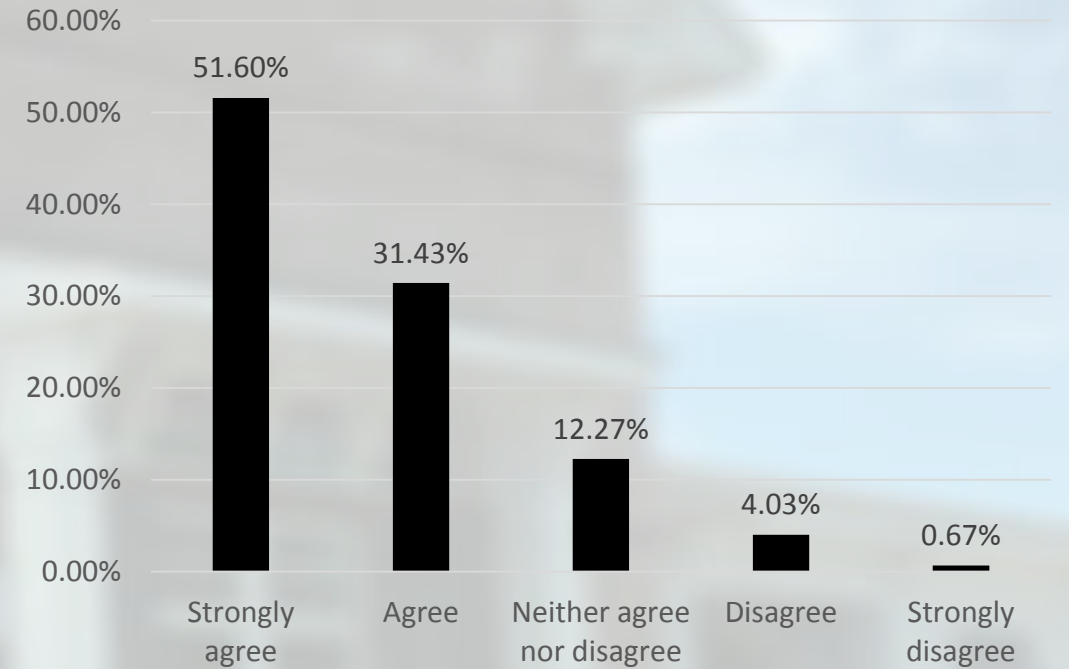


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Part of choosing Blythewood was
the education system?



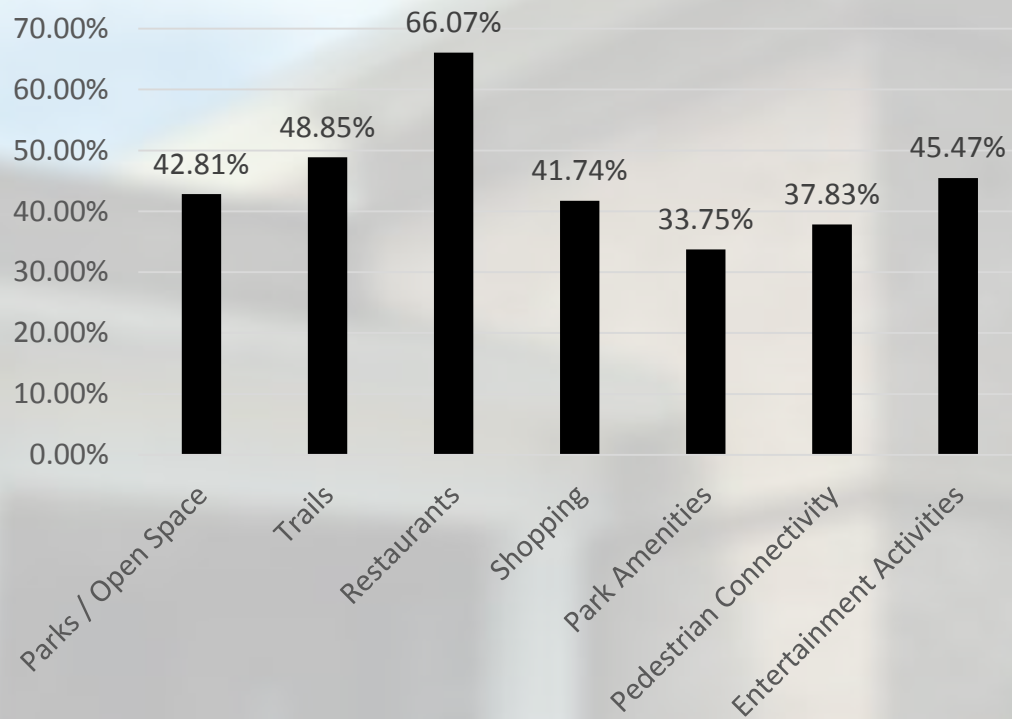
Historic Preservation?





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What is missing from Blythewood?



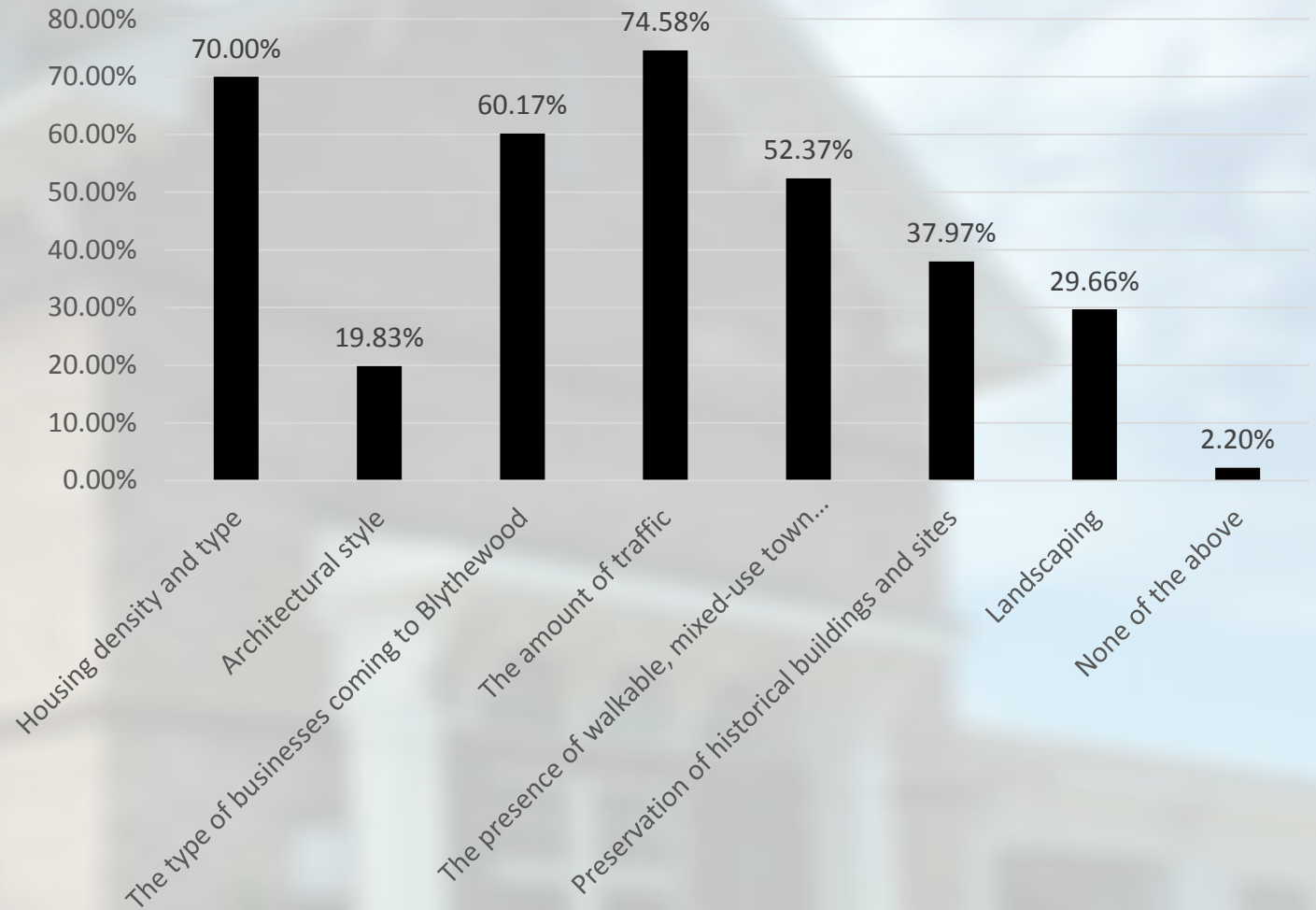
Other Responses

- Retail, Dining, Entertainment
- Active Recreation Facilities
- Bike and Pedestrian Facilities
- Trails
- Open Space
- Dog Park
- Expanded Water Service
- Better Police Coverage
- Town Center
- Small Businesses
- Community Pond
- Equestrian Facilities
- Community Center
- Community Activities



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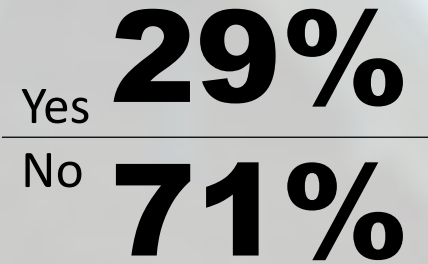
The previous version of the Comprehensive Plan emphasized the desire to maintain a "Small Town" atmosphere in Blythewood. Which of the following community features have the most impact on the town's ability to achieve this desire?



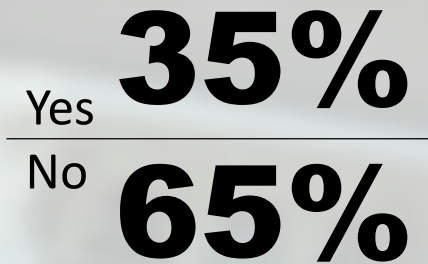


Survey Results

Do you find the overall traffic road systems in and around Blythewood adequate?



Do you feel the town should borrow money in order to modernize its facilities?





Survey Results

Do you feel Blythewood should continue to annex property in order to grow its boundaries?

Yes	53%
No	47%

Are you interested in annexing into the Town of Blythewood?

Yes	35%
No	65%

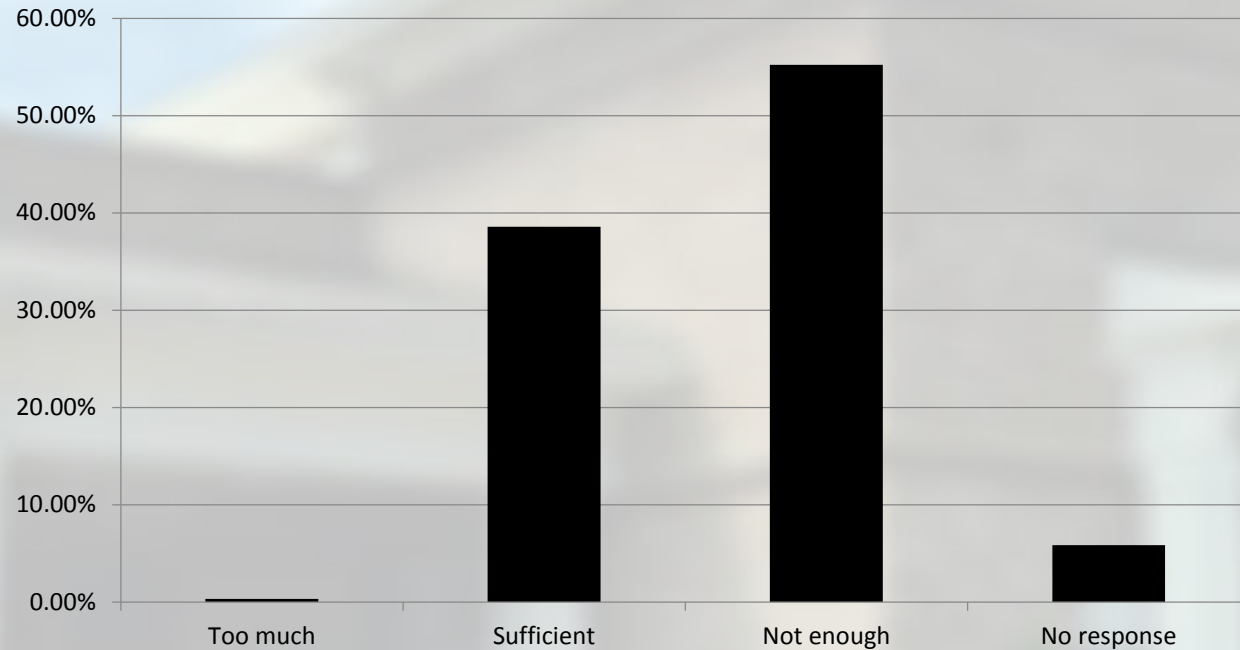
Are you interested in information on annexation?

Yes	29%
No	71%



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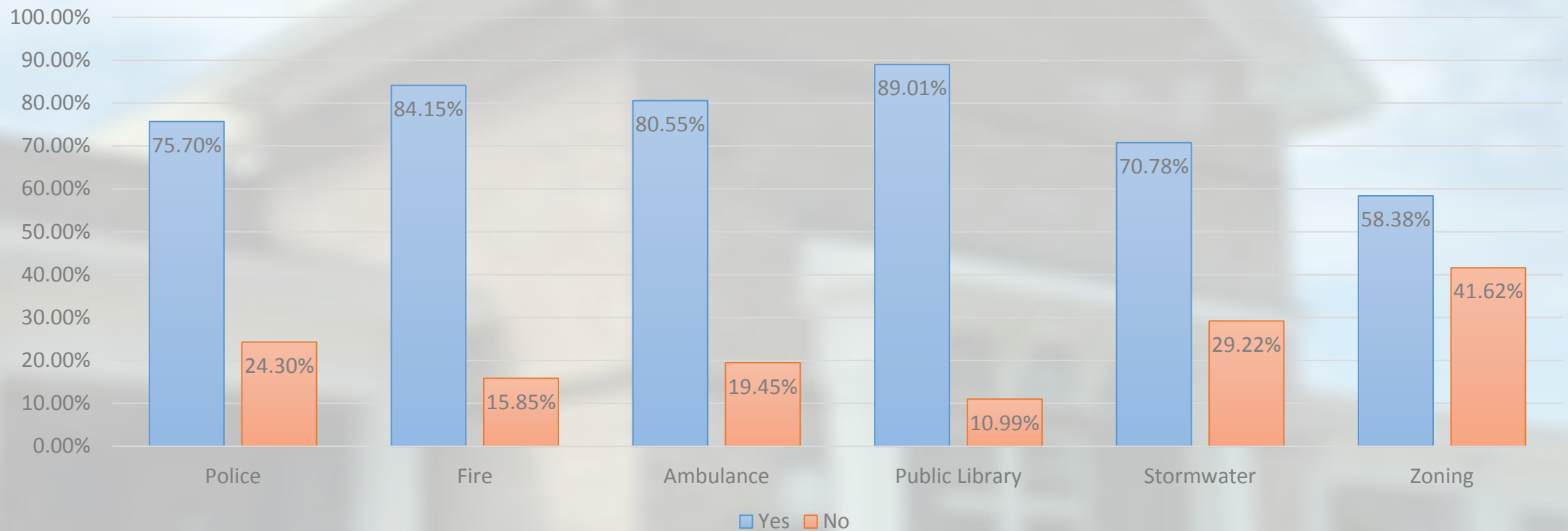
How do you feel about the current recreation space situation in Blythewood?





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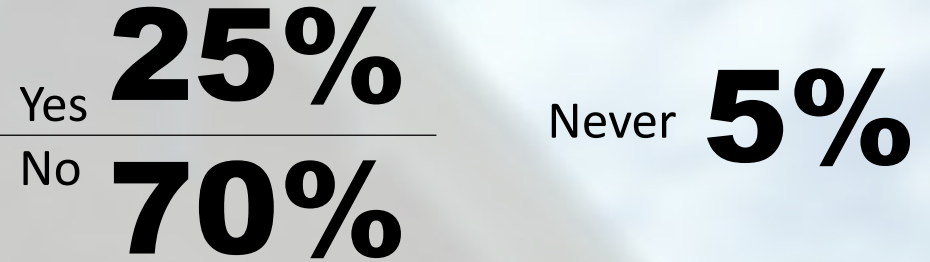
Do you feel the following services are adequate in the town?





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Do you attend local government meetings?



Do you feel the town should borrow money in order to modernize its facilities?

