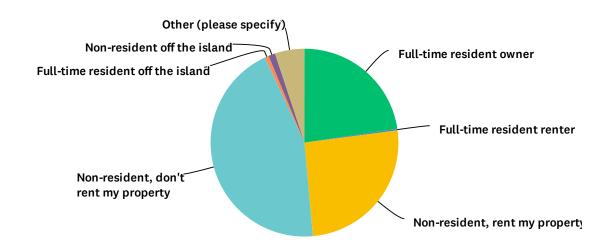
# HBPOA 2021 Property Owner Survey

Monday, December 06, 2021



## Q1 Tell us about your connection to Holden Beach

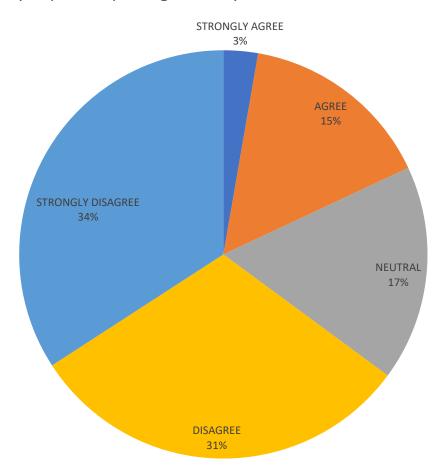
Answered: 768 Skipped: 0



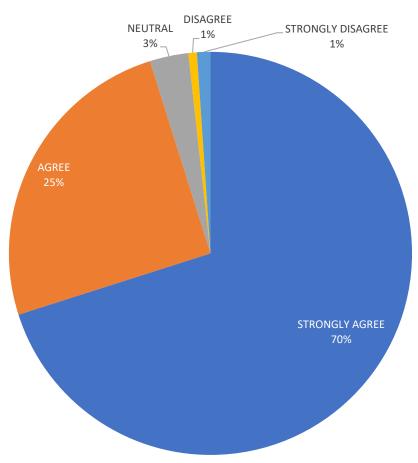
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Full-time resident owner	22.66%	174
Full-time resident renter	0.26%	2
Non-resident, rent my property	25.65%	197
Non-resident, don't rent my property	44.53%	342
Full-time resident off the island	0.65%	5
Non-resident off the island	1.17%	9
Vacation renter	0.00%	0
Other (please specify)	5.08%	39
TOTAL		768

Brunswick county is experiencing significant growth with hundreds of new homes and people who want to spend a day at the beach. Please rate the following statements.

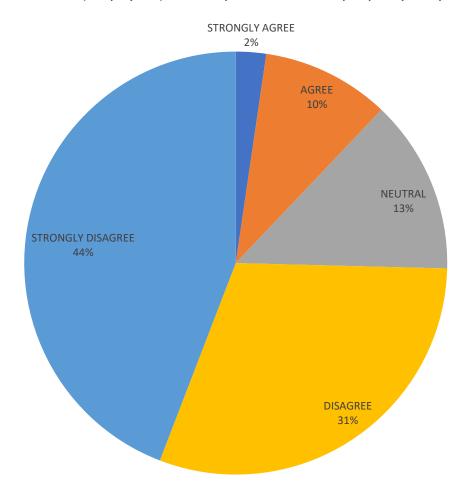
We should try to provide parking for everyone who wants to come to the beach.



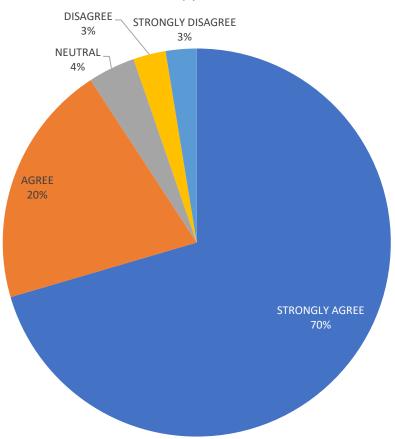
We need to set a limit on the amount of parking we can provide without impacting the character of the island.



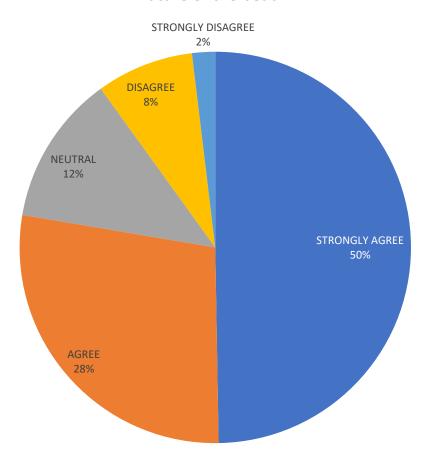
Holden Beach (taxpayers) should purchase more property for parking.



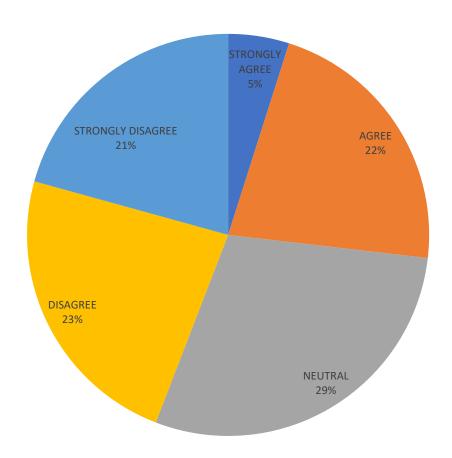
Property owners should not be burdened with the cost of providing parking for day-trippers.



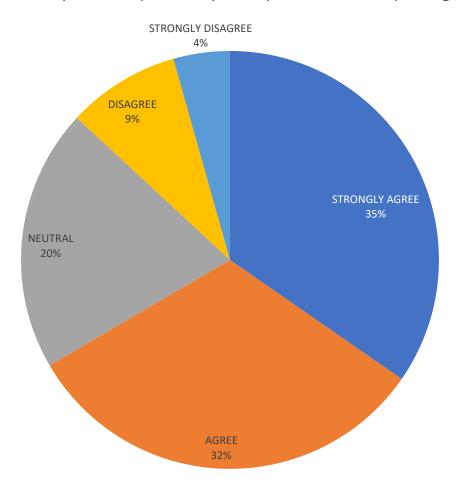
We should significantly limit the amount of parking to protect the family-oriented nature of the beach.



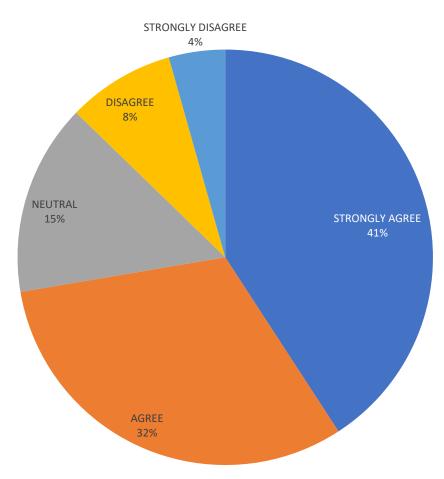
NC Wildlife Resources owns the boat ramp and provides parking spaces for approximately 10 boat trailers. The Town should provide more spaces.



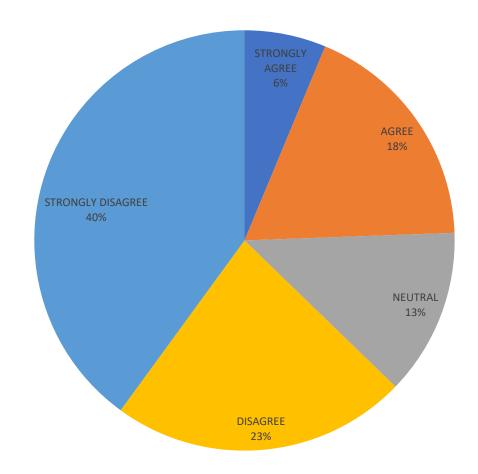
Brunswick County has a responsibility to help us address the parking problems



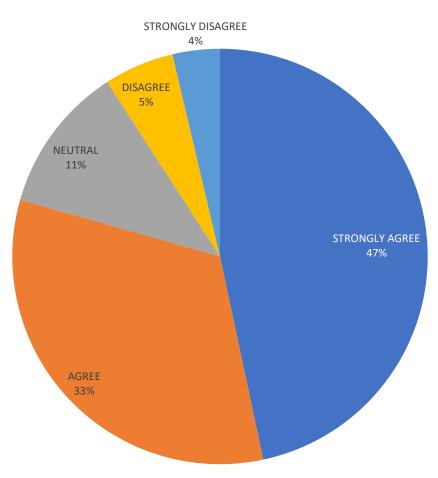
Parking should be concentrated in commercial areas near the bridge



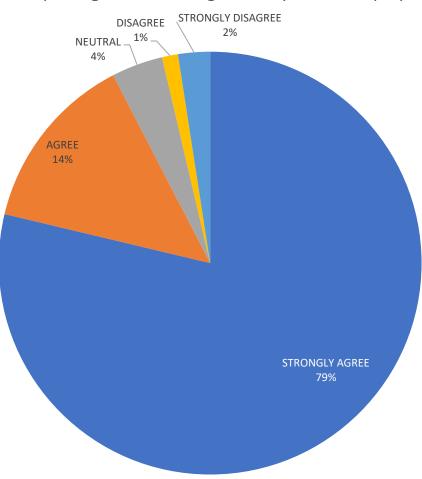
Parking should be spread across the entire length of the island



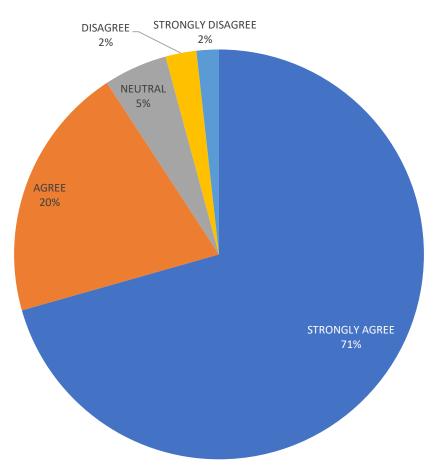
#### We should implement paid parking



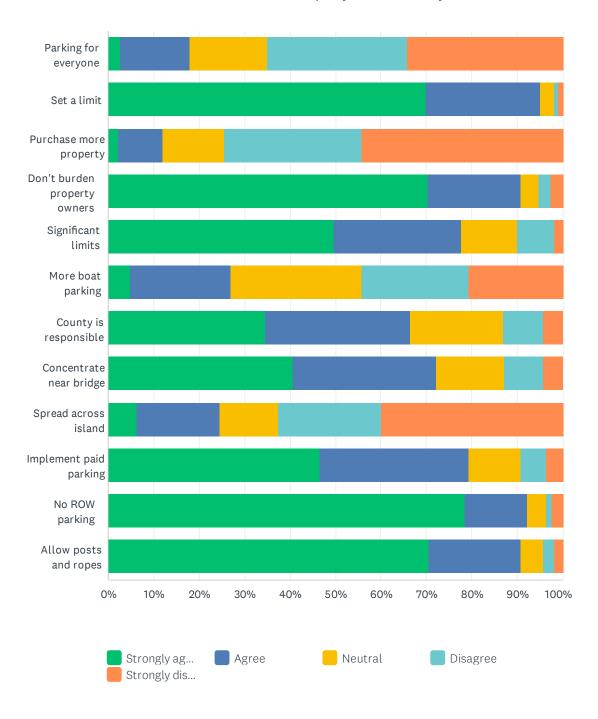
We should not allow parking on the road right-of-way in front of property owner yards



Property owners should be able to prevent parking on their property by using posts and ropes

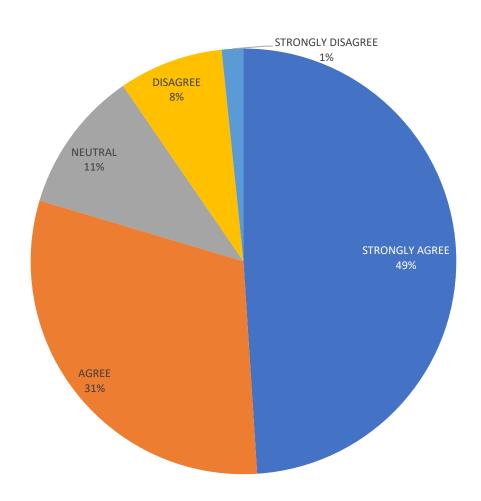


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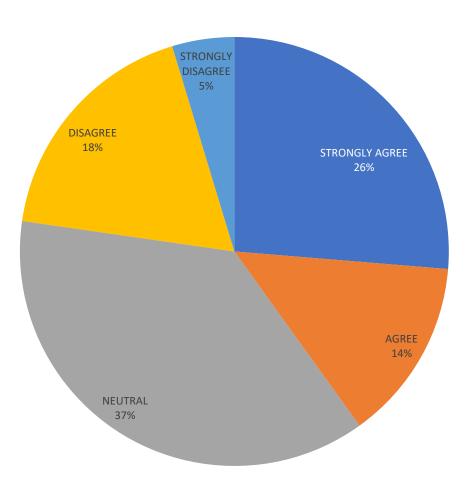


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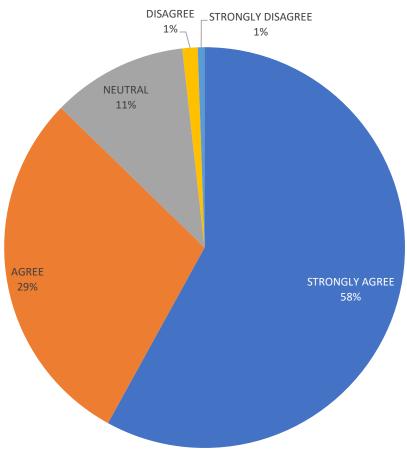
The Town should not incur any additional debt without a public vote



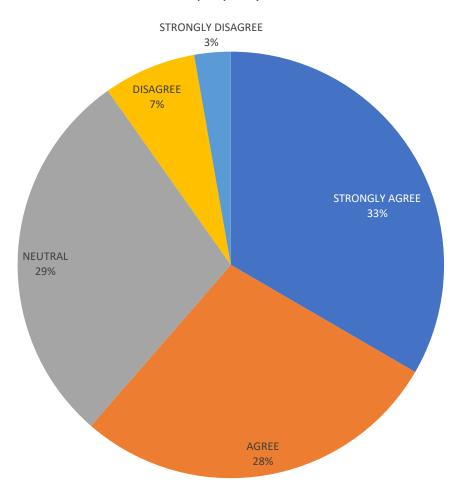
The Town should not be buying any more property



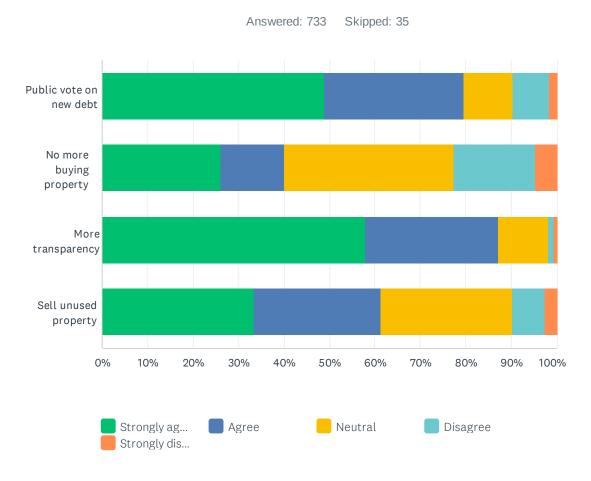
The Town needs to be more transparent in decisions regarding its financial position and use of taxpayer funds



The Town should sell property that it has no use for.

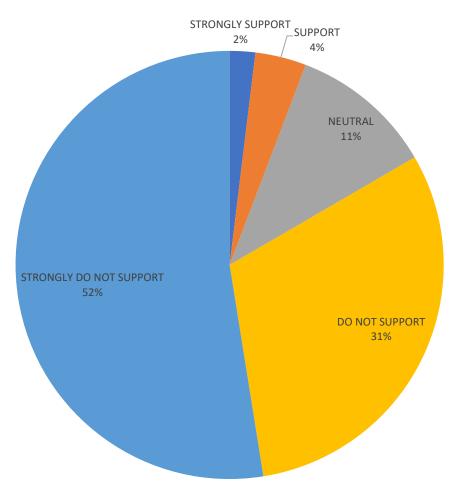


Q3 Town Spending/Borrowing: The current year's Town budget appropriated \$1,700,000 from "savings" (i.e., fund balances) to cover expenses in the budget. The Town has recently taken on additional new debt for the sewer system. Big-ticket items include a Corps of Engineers study (\$1.5M over three years), possible purchase of the pier (\$3.25M), bike lanes (\$1.6M but hoping for a \$900K grant), water tower (unknown).

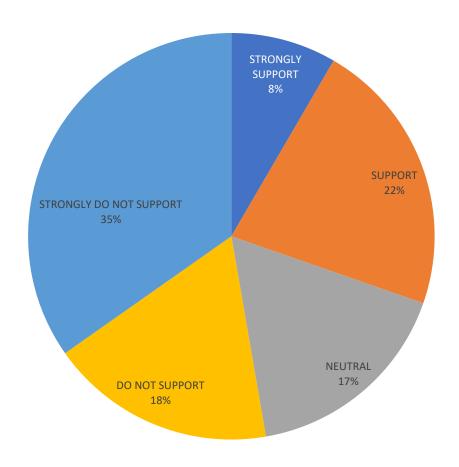


The town is currently under contract to purchase the pier and building/parking lot for \$3.25M. The purchase will be paid for with a loan that will potentially increase taxes. Basically, the pier structure is beyond its expected service life and has critical safety issues that need urgent repair – estimated to cost between \$500,000 and \$750,000. No diving inspection was performed, only tactile inspections were performed on the pilings in water less than five feet deep. The pier building is essentially a tear-down except for maybe a portion on the west end. Read the reports here: Engineering Report, Building Inspector's Report, and the Pier Due Diligence Inspection. While the Town has not yet communicated any plans for the pier, the inspection results have limited their options. Which of the following plans would you support:

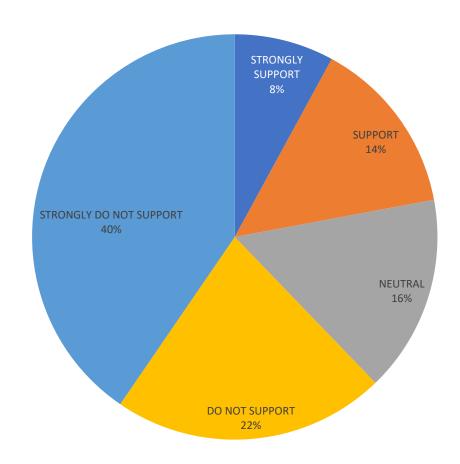
Buy the pier, keep it closed since it is not safe, and just sit on the property



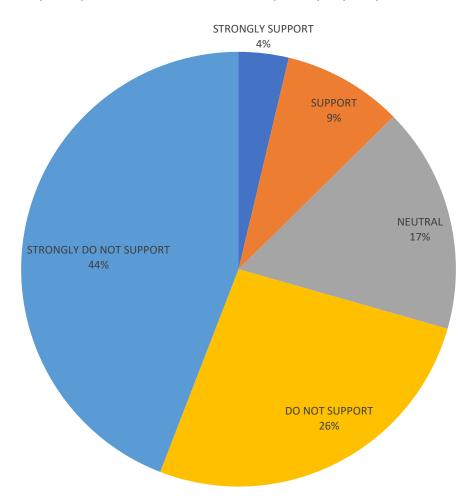
Buy the pier, incur the \$500,000 - \$750,000 in repairs necessary to make it safe, and salvage the west end of the pier building



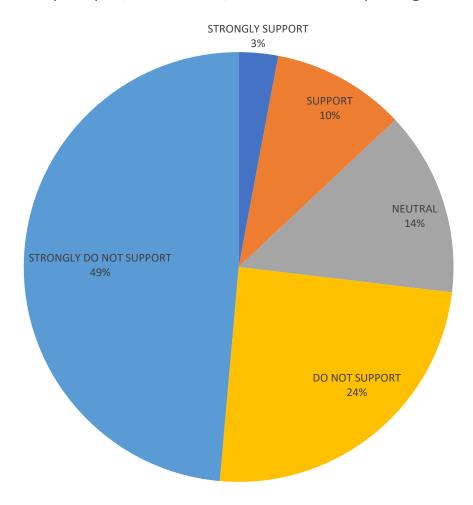
Buy the pier, tear it down and incur the cost to build a new pier and pier building



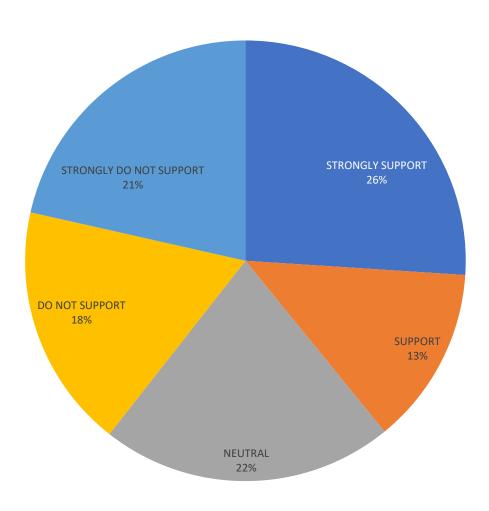
Buy the pier, tear it down, clean up the property and sell it



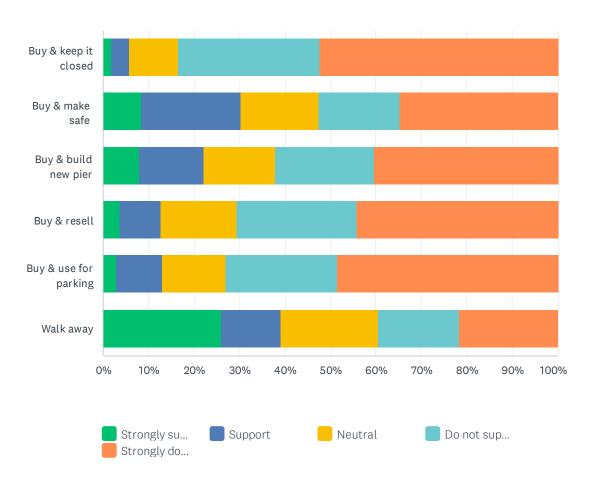
Buy the pier, tear it down, and turn it into a parking lot



Walk away from the deal and forfeit the earnest money

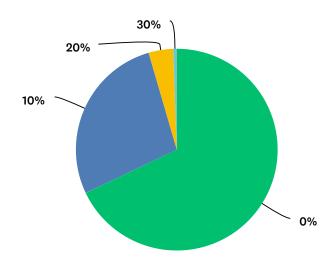


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# Q5 How much are you willing to have your taxes increased to cover the costs associated with the pier:

Answered: 689 Skipped: 79

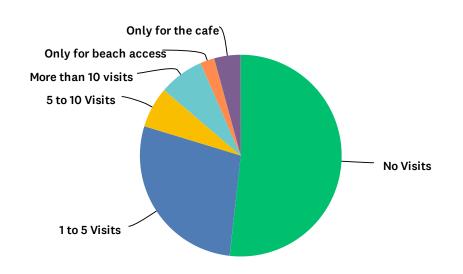


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
0%	67.92% 468
10%	27.58% 190
20%	3.92% 27
30%	0.58%
40%	0.00%
50+%	0.00%
TOTAL	689

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## Q6 How many times have you visited the pier in the past five years?

Answered: 705 Skipped: 63

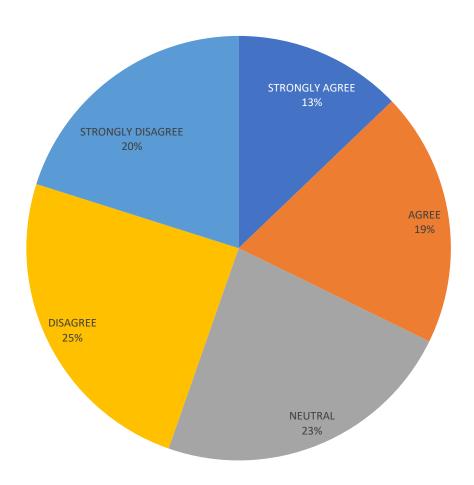


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
No Visits	51.77%	365
1 to 5 Visits	27.94%	197
5 to 10 Visits	6.52%	46
More than 10 visits	7.23%	51
Only for beach access	2.27%	16
Only for the cafe	4.26%	30
TOTAL		705

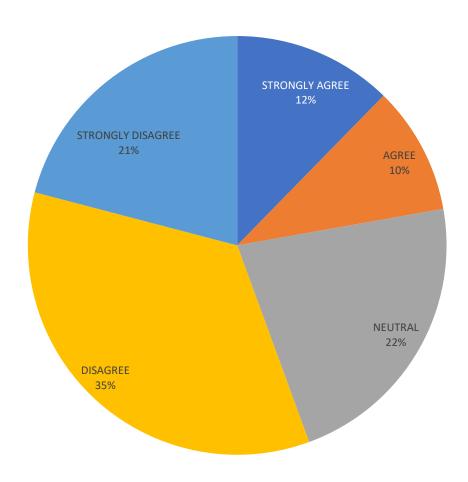
#	COMMENTS:	DATE
1	This question is extremely biased and unfairI don't use the pier, I don't fish, the pier doesn't offer much to my interest, however, that is mejust meI know so many that love to fish off that pier, many that if nothing else use the pier as their	12/2/2021 4:03 PM

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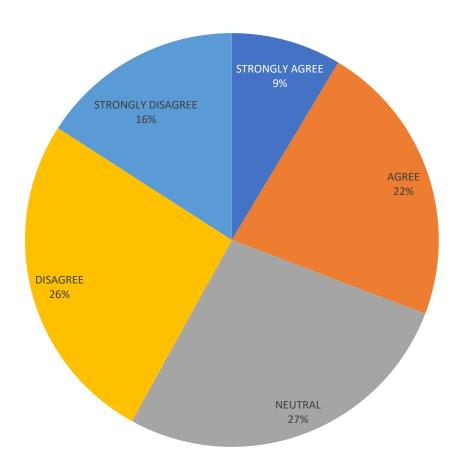
#### I don't think golf carts are a problem



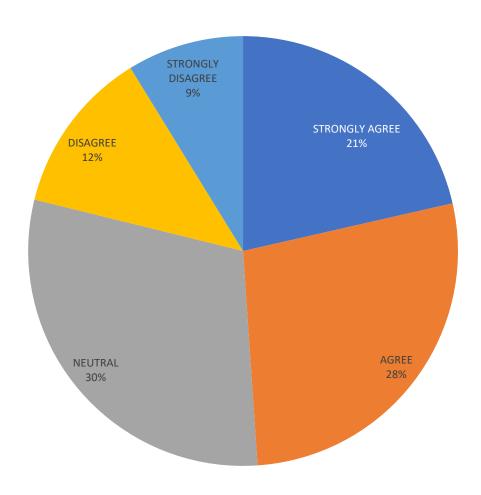
#### Golf carts should not be allowed on the island



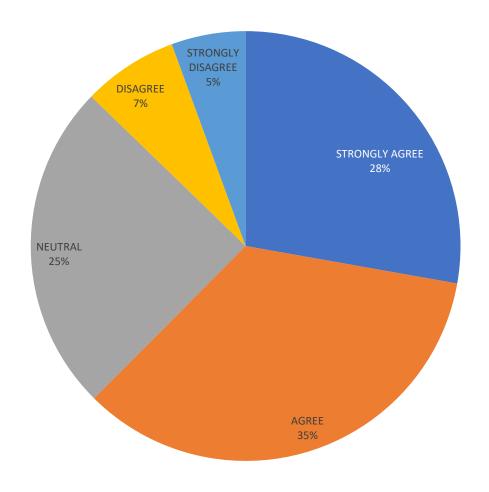
Golf cart regulations and their enforcement is sufficient



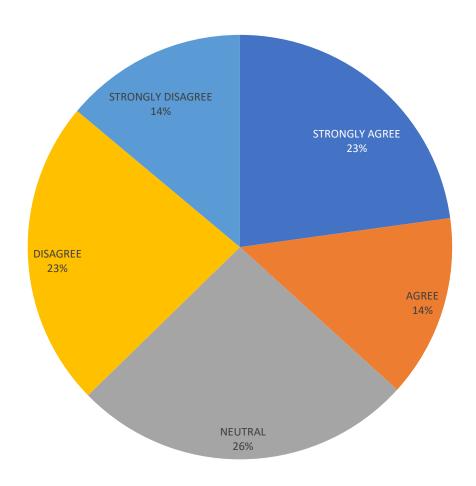
#### Additional golf cart regulations are needed



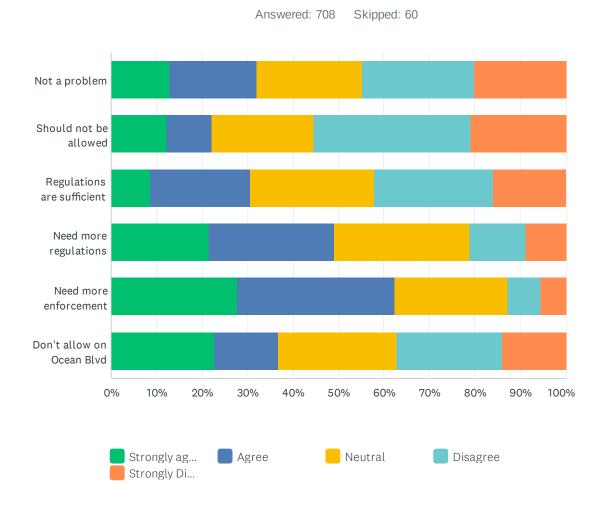
Additional enforcement is needed of existing golf cart rules



Golf carts should not be allowed on Ocean Blvd.

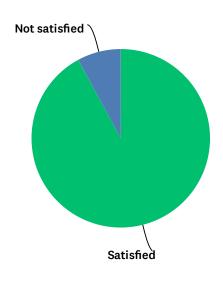


# Q7 The number of golf carts/Low-Speed Vehicles on the island continues to increase. Concerns include safety and congestion issues.



# Q8 Are you satisfied with the current regulations regarding trash/recycling bins - including rollout, roll back, and the use of corrals?

Answered: 695 Skipped: 73

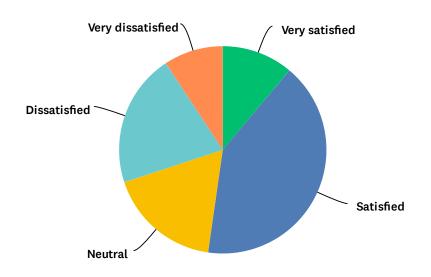


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Satisfied	92.09%	640
Not satisfied	7.91%	55
TOTAL		695

#	COMMENTS:	DATE
1	System works very well!	12/5/2021 12:33 PM
2	I very much appreciate that they are rolled back to the house for those of us that don't rent, but spend our weekends at Holden Beach.	12/3/2021 11:38 AM
3	Recycling should be mandatory throught the island to reduce the amount of trash generated. I don't mind paying a fee to have a recycling bin.	12/3/2021 8:17 AM
4	Renters are not putting carts out in time on Saturday. Over crowds next renter.	12/2/2021 10:43 AM

# Q10 Are you satisfied with the Town's methods of communication in keeping you informed on the status of major issues such as beach renourishment, parking, and land purchases?

Answered: 702 Skipped: 66

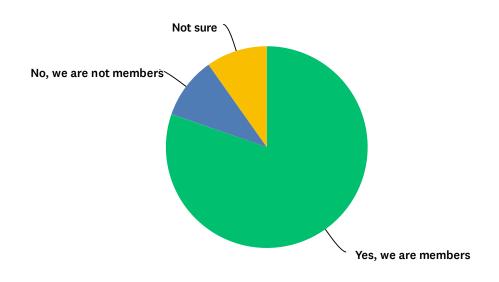


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Very satisfied	11.11%	78
Satisfied	41.17%	289
Neutral	17.66%	124
Dissatisfied	20.80%	146
Very dissatisfied	9.26%	65
TOTAL		702

#	COMMENTS:	DATE
1	Q	12/2/2021 12:28 PM

# Q12 Are you a member of HBPOA?

Answered: 695 Skipped: 73



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes, we are members	80.29%	558
No, we are not members	9.93%	69
Not sure	9.78%	68
TOTAL		695

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	Yes member for many years but I think I might be behind in my dues by a year or two.	12/2/2021 4:45 PM
2	Safe restrictions concerning rental properties, have these in our area with high balcony children lean over very unrail ed porches three stories up restrictions added to inspections during building and later	12/2/2021 9:47 AM
3	My sister and I own 1102 HBW and I believe we are members- I will check with her- what is involved in "signing up" if we are not? Thanks John Spivey	12/2/2021 6:56 AM