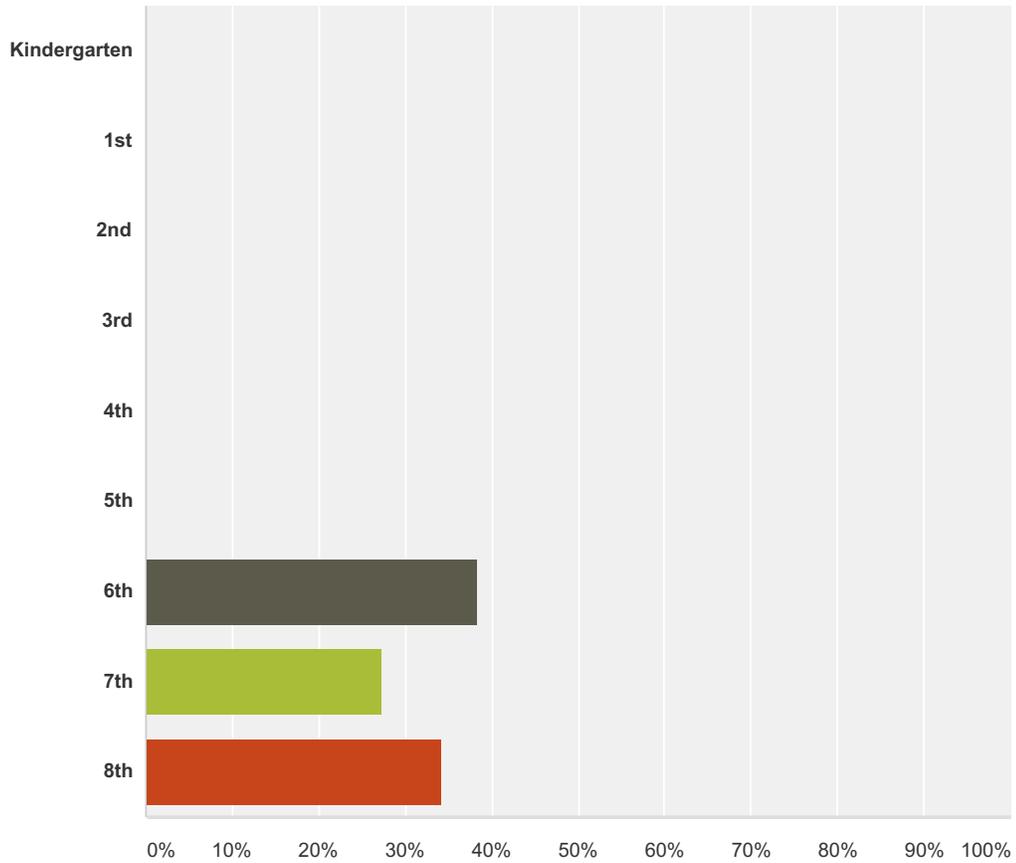


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Q1 What grade is your child in? (If you have more than one child, please answer these questions about your OLDEST child at this school).

Answered: 117 Skipped: 3



Answer Choices	Responses
Kindergarten	0.00% 0
1st	0.00% 0
2nd	0.00% 0
3rd	0.00% 0
4th	0.00% 0
5th	0.00% 0
6th	38.46% 45
7th	27.35% 32
8th	34.19% 40

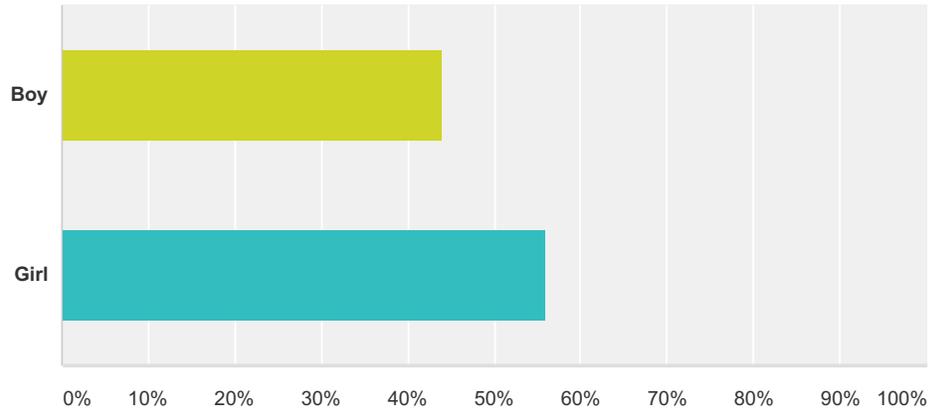
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Total

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Q2 Is your child a boy or a girl?

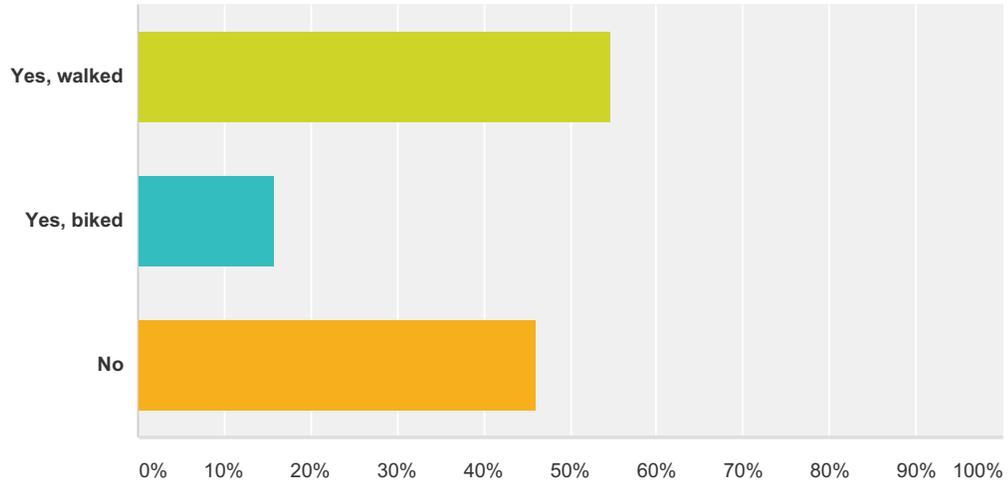
Answered: 118 Skipped: 2



Answer Choices	Responses	
Boy	44.07%	52
Girl	55.93%	66
Total		118

Q3 Has your child ever walked or biked to the school campus? (Please check all that apply)

Answered: 119 Skipped: 1

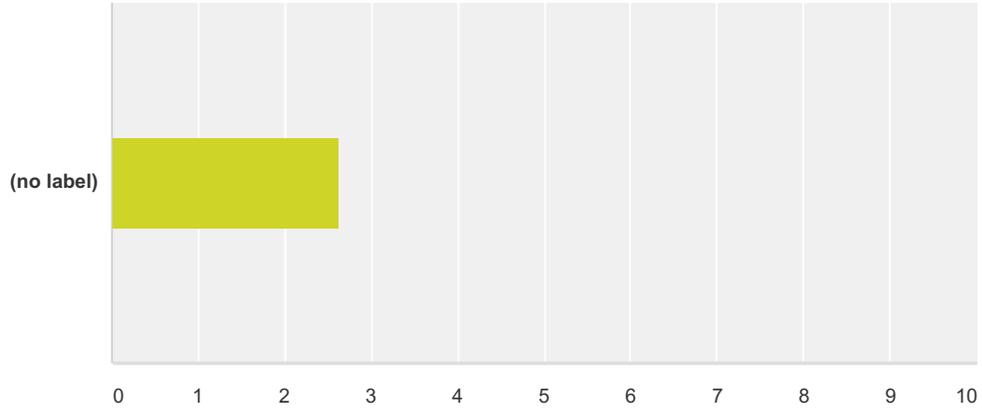


Answer Choices	Responses
Yes, walked	54.62% 65
Yes, biked	15.97% 19
No	46.22% 55
Total Respondents: 119	

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Q4 How safe do you feel letting your child walk or bike to school, on a scale from 1 to 5?

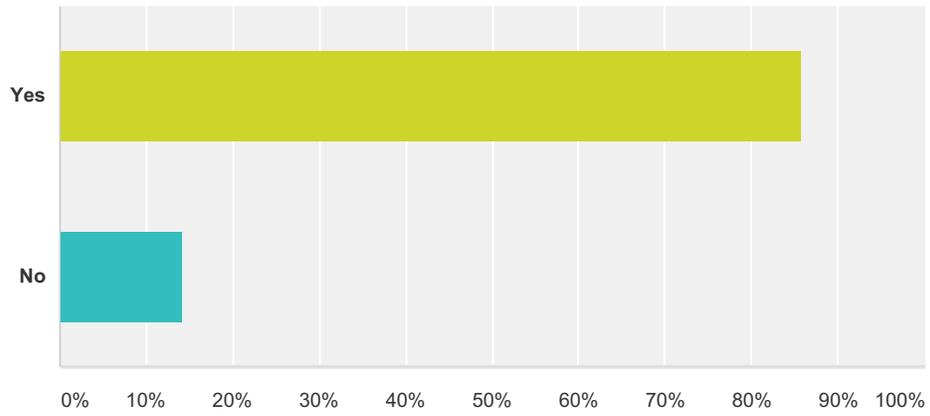
Answered: 118 Skipped: 2



	1 (Not at all safe)	2	3	4	5 (Very safe)	Total	Weighted Average
(no label)	22.03% 26	22.88% 27	32.20% 38	16.10% 19	6.78% 8	118	2.63

Q5 Does your child know how to ride a bike?

Answered: 119 Skipped: 1

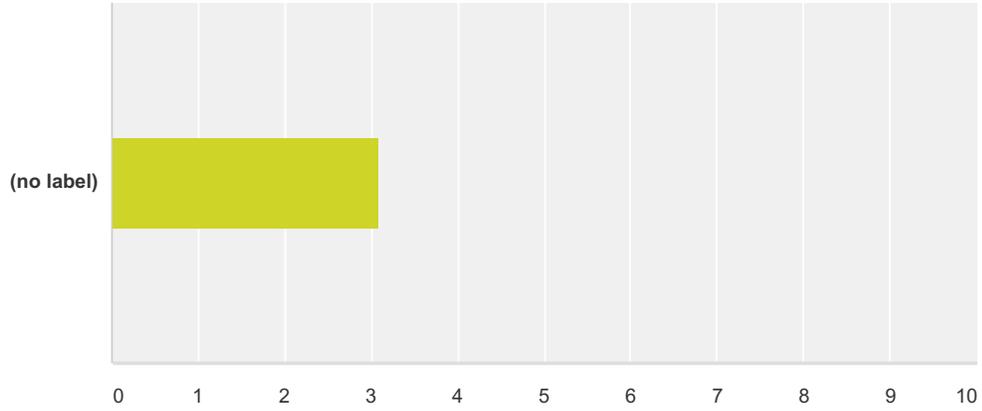


Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	85.71% 102
No	14.29% 17
Total	119

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Q6 How confident are you that your child knows the rules of the road while biking, on a scale from 1 to 5?

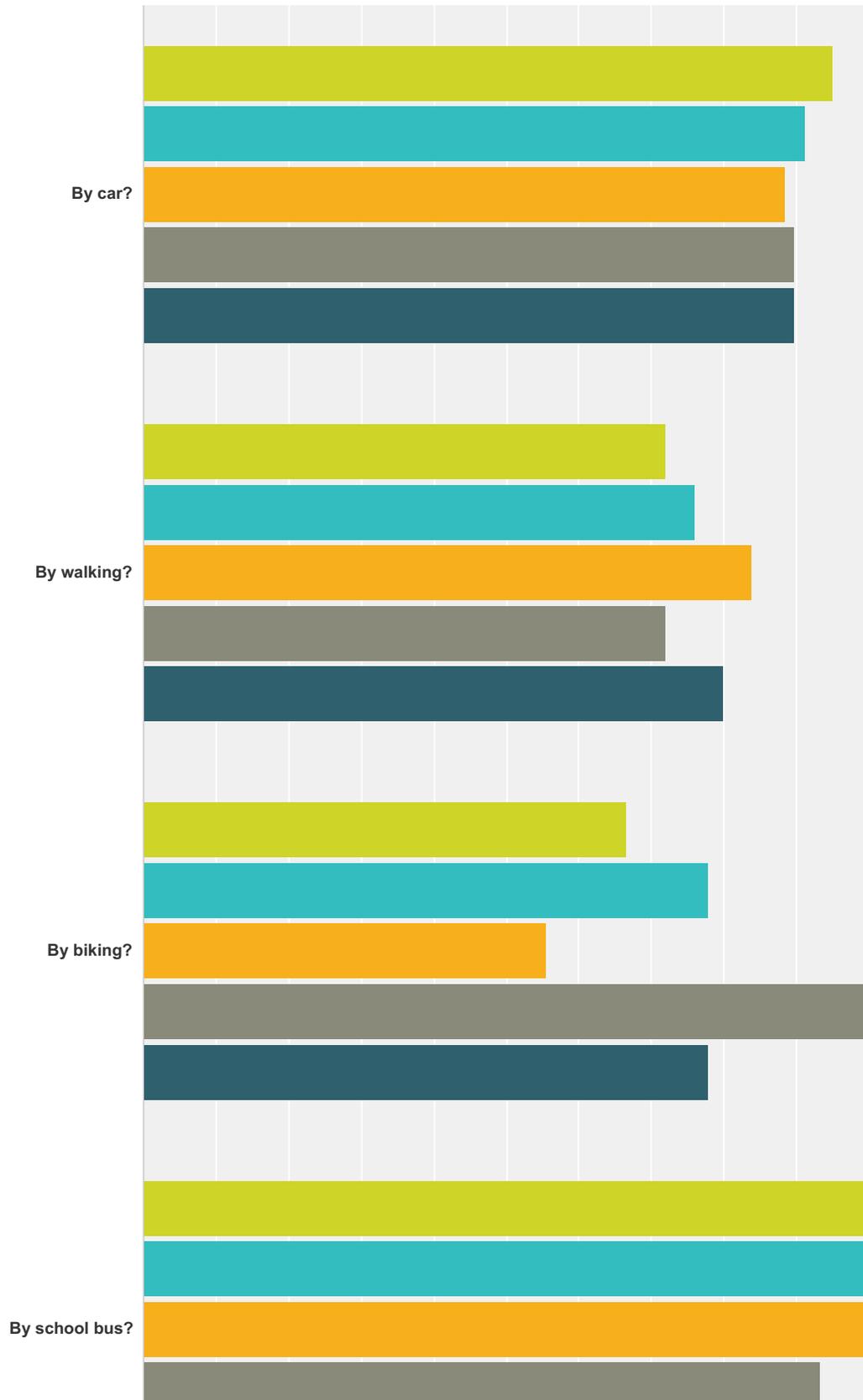
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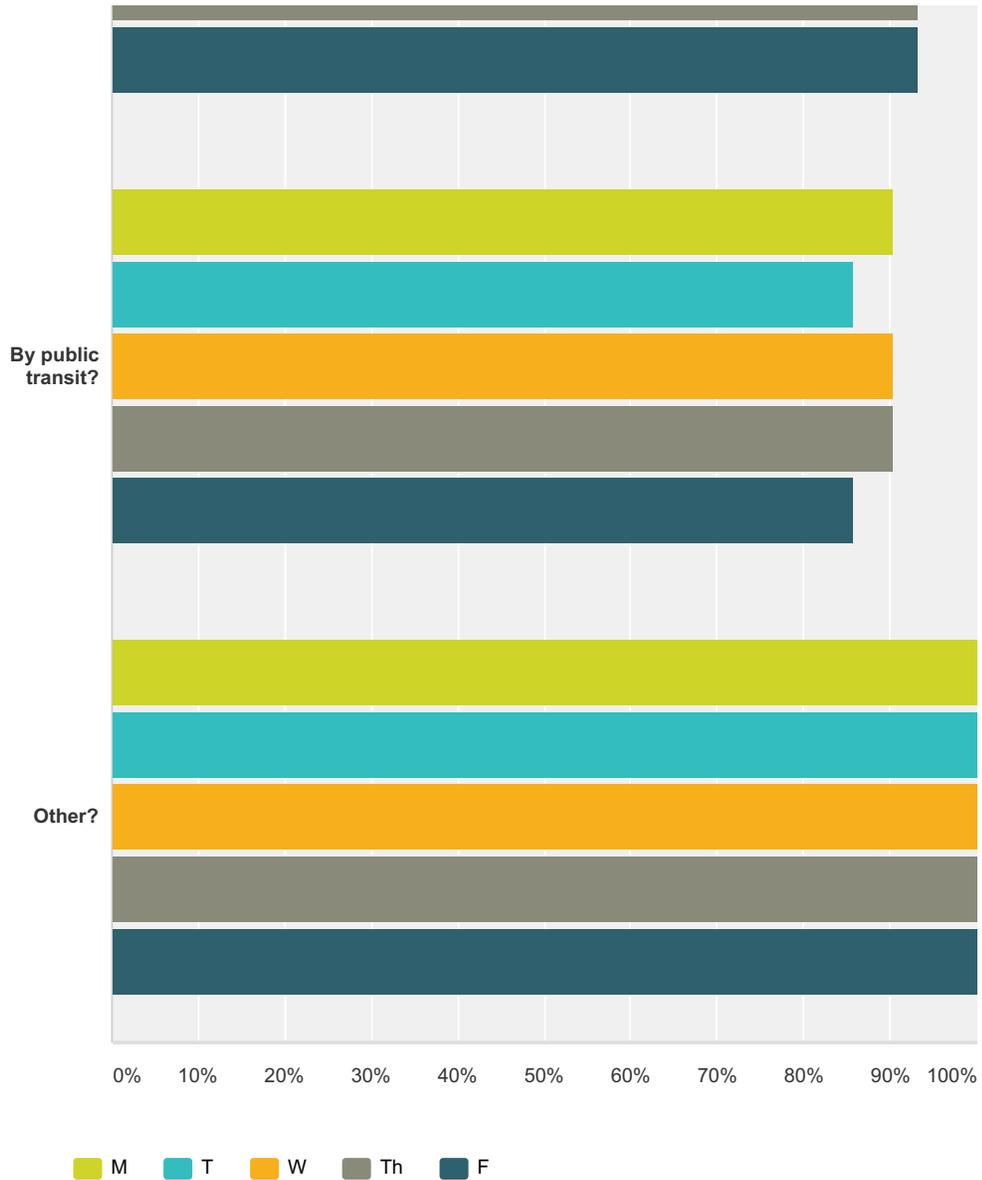
	1 (Not at all confident)	2	3	4	5 (Very confident)	Total	Weighted Average
(no label)	14.41% 17	19.49% 23	27.12% 32	22.03% 26	16.95% 20	118	3.08

Q7 In a normal week, which days does your child get to the school campus:

Answered: 115 Skipped: 5



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	M	T	W	Th	F	Total Respondents
By car?	94.94% 75	91.14% 72	88.61% 70	89.87% 71	89.87% 71	79
By walking?	72.00% 18	76.00% 19	84.00% 21	72.00% 18	80.00% 20	25
By biking?	66.67% 6	77.78% 7	55.56% 5	100.00% 9	77.78% 7	9
By school bus?	100.00% 15	100.00% 15	100.00% 15	93.33% 14	93.33% 14	15
By public transit?	90.48% 19	85.71% 18	90.48% 19	90.48% 19	85.71% 18	21
Other?	100.00% 6	100.00% 6	100.00% 6	100.00% 6	100.00% 6	6

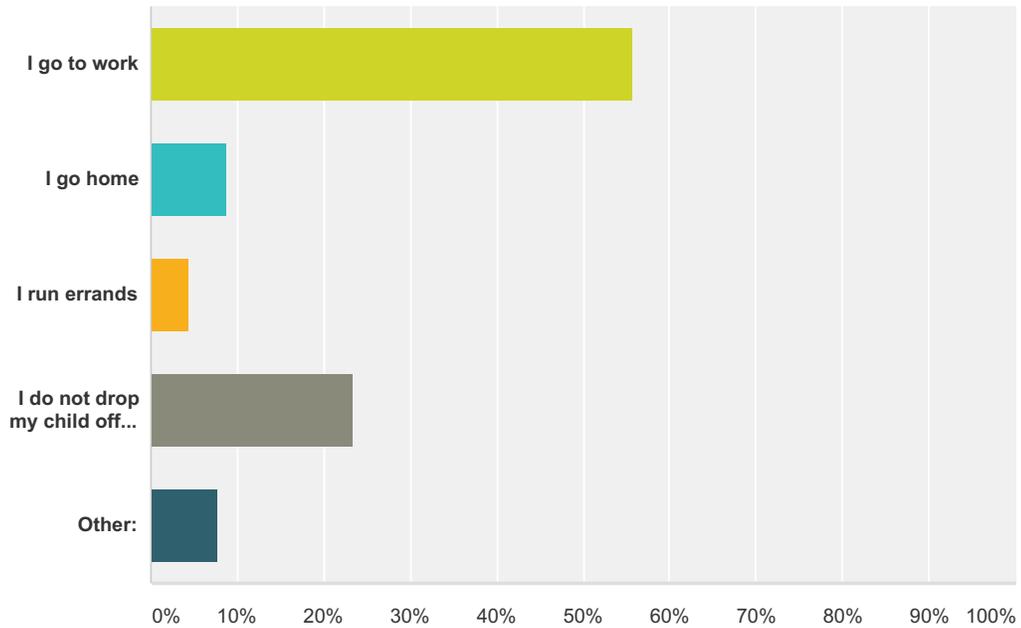
#	If "other," please describe:	Date
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1	My child gets to school by car. And leaves school in the afternoon by walking to public transit and busing home.	3/19/2015 1:21 PM
2	Mr. Paloy gives me a ride to school and handsome Mitchell loves to hehe	2/26/2015 9:55 PM
3	light rail	2/20/2015 1:40 PM
4	occasionally bike	2/19/2015 2:13 PM
5	If raining or running late, we drive to school. This does not happen regularly	2/17/2015 6:49 AM
6	My child occasionally walks to school and always walks home	2/16/2015 7:24 PM
7	By car on way to school. Walks on way home from school	2/16/2015 9:17 AM
8	Light link rail and metro bus	2/14/2015 1:47 PM
9	2-days a week he is driven part of the way and walks the rest; he walks home everyday	2/12/2015 9:00 PM
10	Driven TO school, Metro FROM school three days a week.	2/12/2015 8:35 PM
11	She takes the bus (Metro) home from school	2/10/2015 9:00 AM
12	Walks home, and if she misses the bus I drop off and go home or to work	1/29/2015 11:37 AM
13	Walks homes	1/29/2015 11:33 AM
14	Walks to Boys and Girls Club after school	1/29/2015 11:28 AM

Q8 What do you normally do after dropping your child off at the school campus?

Answered: 115 Skipped: 5

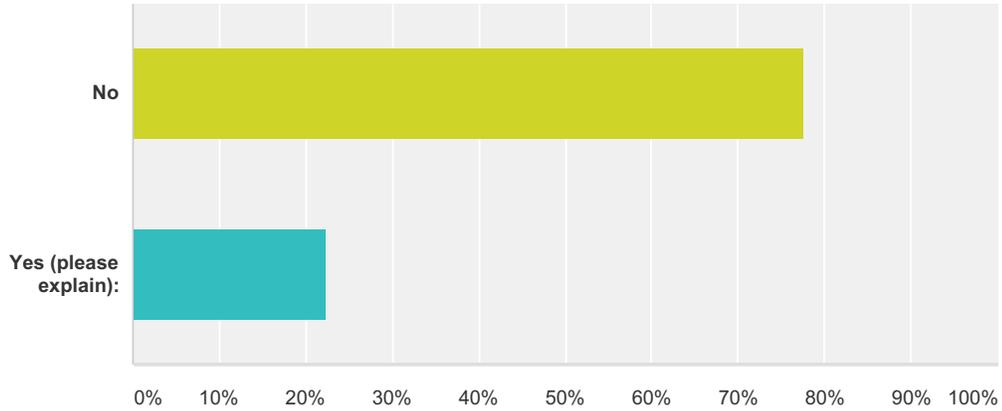


Answer Choices	Responses	
I go to work	55.65%	64
I go home	8.70%	10
I run errands	4.35%	5
I do not drop my child off at the school campus	23.48%	27
Other:	7.83%	9
Total		115

#	Other:	Date
1	I do not drop my child off, my wife does.	3/26/2015 10:04 PM
2	go to the gym	3/16/2015 12:45 PM
3	no explanation	3/2/2015 11:21 AM
4	Party	2/26/2015 9:55 PM
5	I either return home or run errands	2/17/2015 6:49 AM
6	I go home, run errands,and go to work and school after.	2/15/2015 6:04 PM
7	I take my other kid to his school and then go to work.	2/12/2015 8:35 PM
8	Go directly to the gym.	2/12/2015 7:37 PM
9	if she misses the bus I drop off and go home or to work	1/29/2015 11:37 AM

Q9 Between last school year and this school year, have you changed how you usually get your child to the school campus?

Answered: 112 Skipped: 8



Answer Choices	Responses	
No	77.68%	87
Yes (please explain):	22.32%	25
Total		112

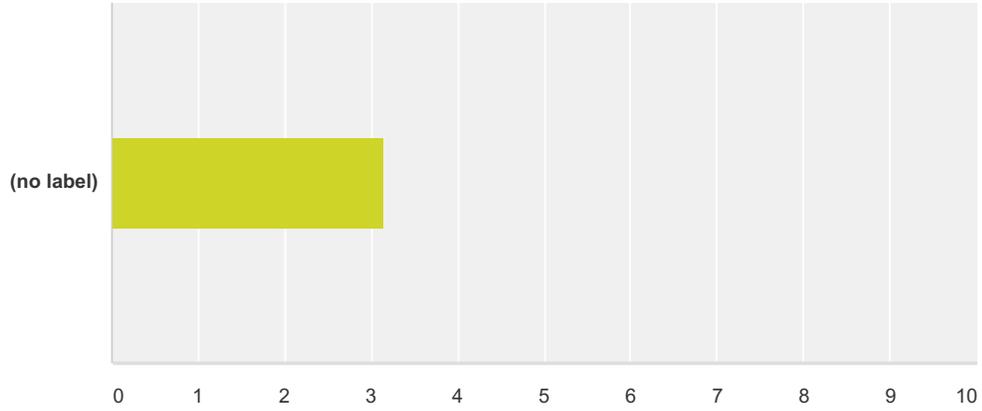
#	Yes (please explain):	Date
1	only in the morning	3/16/2015 12:58 PM
2	yes, we moved 3+ miles south	3/16/2015 12:45 PM
3	She walks in the afternoon	3/16/2015 12:40 PM
4	Yes we lived 1 block away last year, this year we commute	3/16/2015 12:34 PM
5	Moved further away, so drive all the time now. (Split family)	3/16/2015 11:14 AM
6	dropping off school last year	3/2/2015 11:36 AM
7	drop her off in morning. after school she walks with friends	3/2/2015 11:32 AM
8	Car and walk	3/2/2015 11:16 AM
9	Mr. Paloy gives me a ride to school and handsome Mitchell loves to hehe	2/26/2015 9:55 PM
10	We walk more now	2/21/2015 12:51 PM
11	My son used to bike to/from his elementary school.	2/20/2015 6:49 PM
12	My child walked way longer distances than usual and has to take the link light rail train and bus, unlike last year where she had a school bus.	2/15/2015 6:04 PM
13	My son is older, so has taken more responsibility for himself. Therefore, he gets himself to and from school. Some days I drive him in, but he always rides home alone.	2/14/2015 1:52 PM
14	We used to live with in 3 blocks from his school.	2/14/2015 1:47 PM
15	last year she was driven to school. This year she catches a Metro bus.	2/13/2015 8:30 AM

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16	My child went to a different school last year -- different routine.	2/12/2015 11:12 PM
17	last year she bussed	2/12/2015 10:55 PM
18	We are carpooling now.	2/12/2015 8:35 PM
19	He used to walk to and from school every day. We moved and this year we are not close to friends and are further away from school.	2/12/2015 7:37 PM
20	We used to walk in k-5. Now we carpool.	2/12/2015 7:10 PM
21	Used to be eligible for school bus in elementary.	2/11/2015 4:26 PM
22	Last year my daughter caught a bus to her elementary school. We are not offered transportation to middle school, because we are less than 2 miles away (about 1.5).	2/9/2015 4:45 PM
23	Last year my daughter went to a different school and I drove her.	1/29/2015 11:20 AM
24	Walked to elementary, now bus/biking to Mercer Middle School	1/29/2015 11:11 AM
25	unsafe traffic issues	1/28/2015 12:16 PM

Q10 How much does your child's school encourage walking and biking to school, on a scale from 1 to 5?

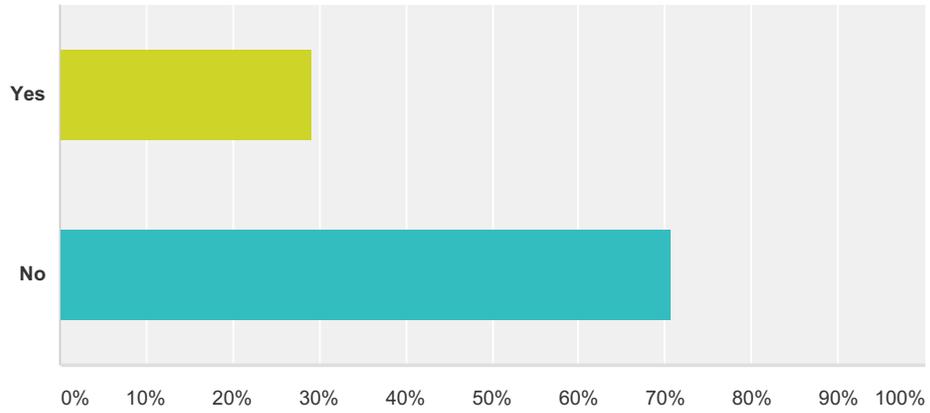
Answered: 115 Skipped: 5



	1 (Strongly discourages)	2	3	4	5 (Strongly encourages)	Don't know / Not applicable	Total	Weighted Average
(no label)	3.48% 4	11.30% 13	33.04% 38	13.04% 15	7.83% 9	31.30% 36	115	3.15

Q11 Have you received any pamphlets or other school materials encouraging walking or biking to school?

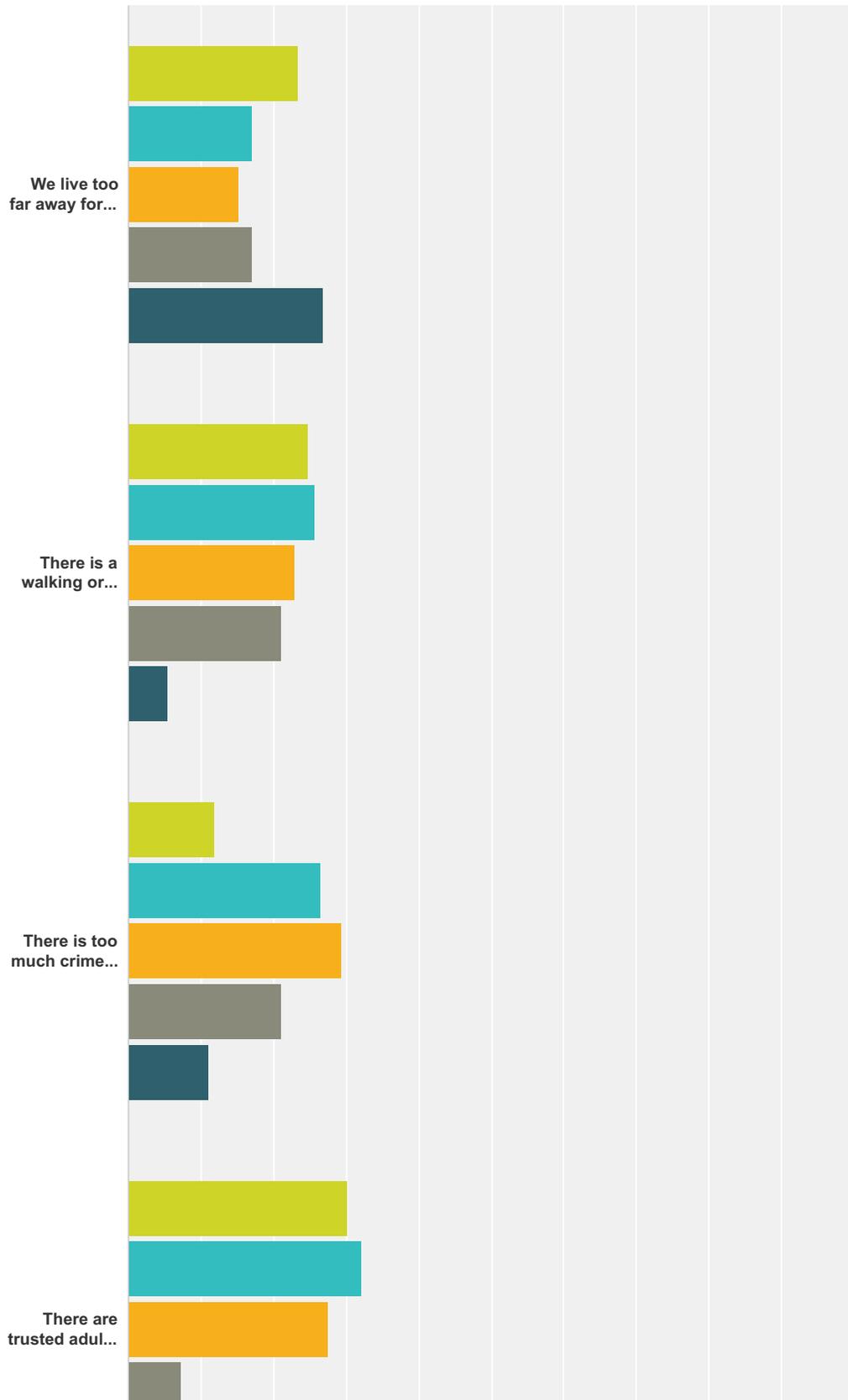
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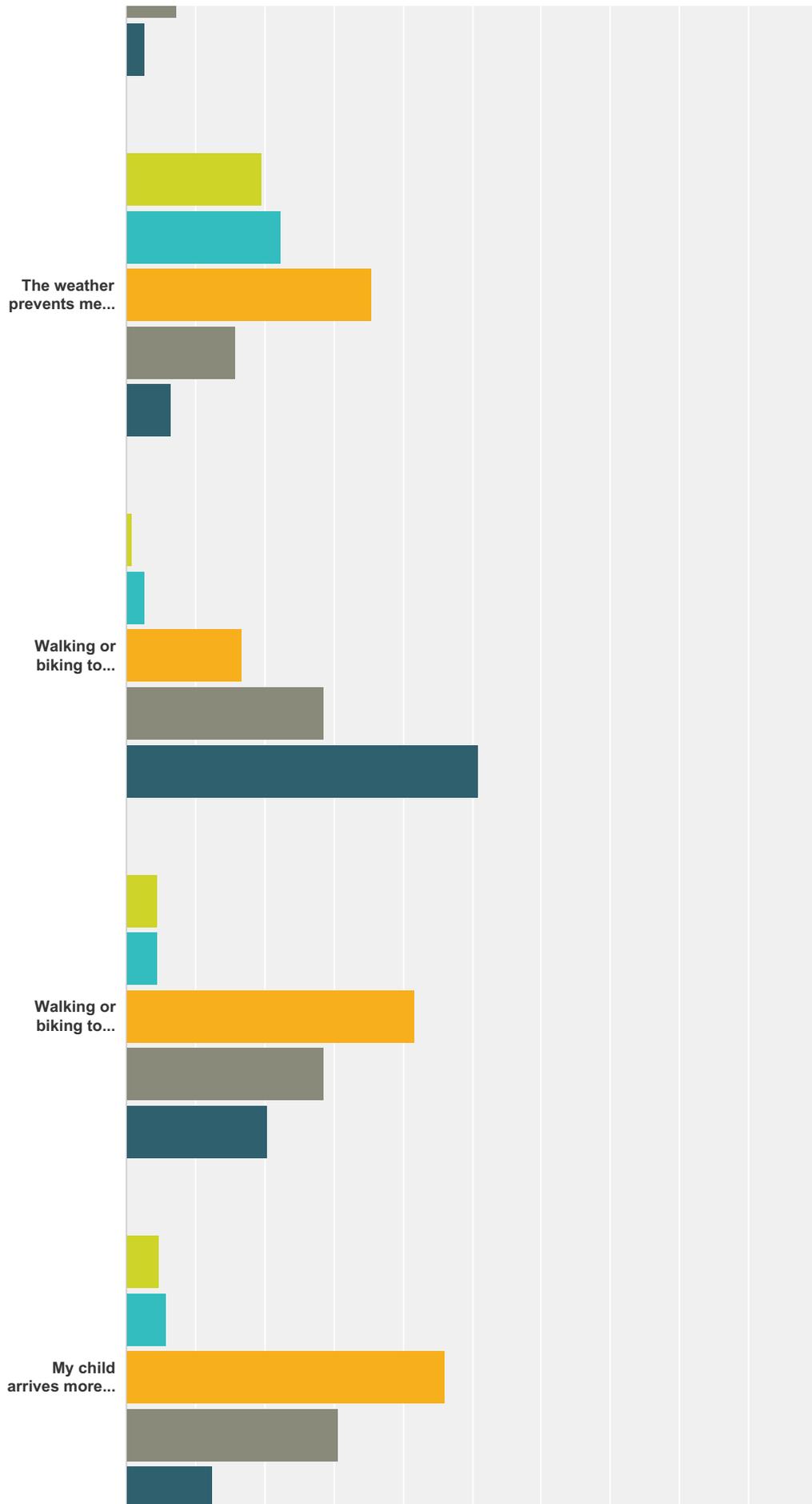
Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	29.20% 33
No	70.80% 80
Total	113

Q12 How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

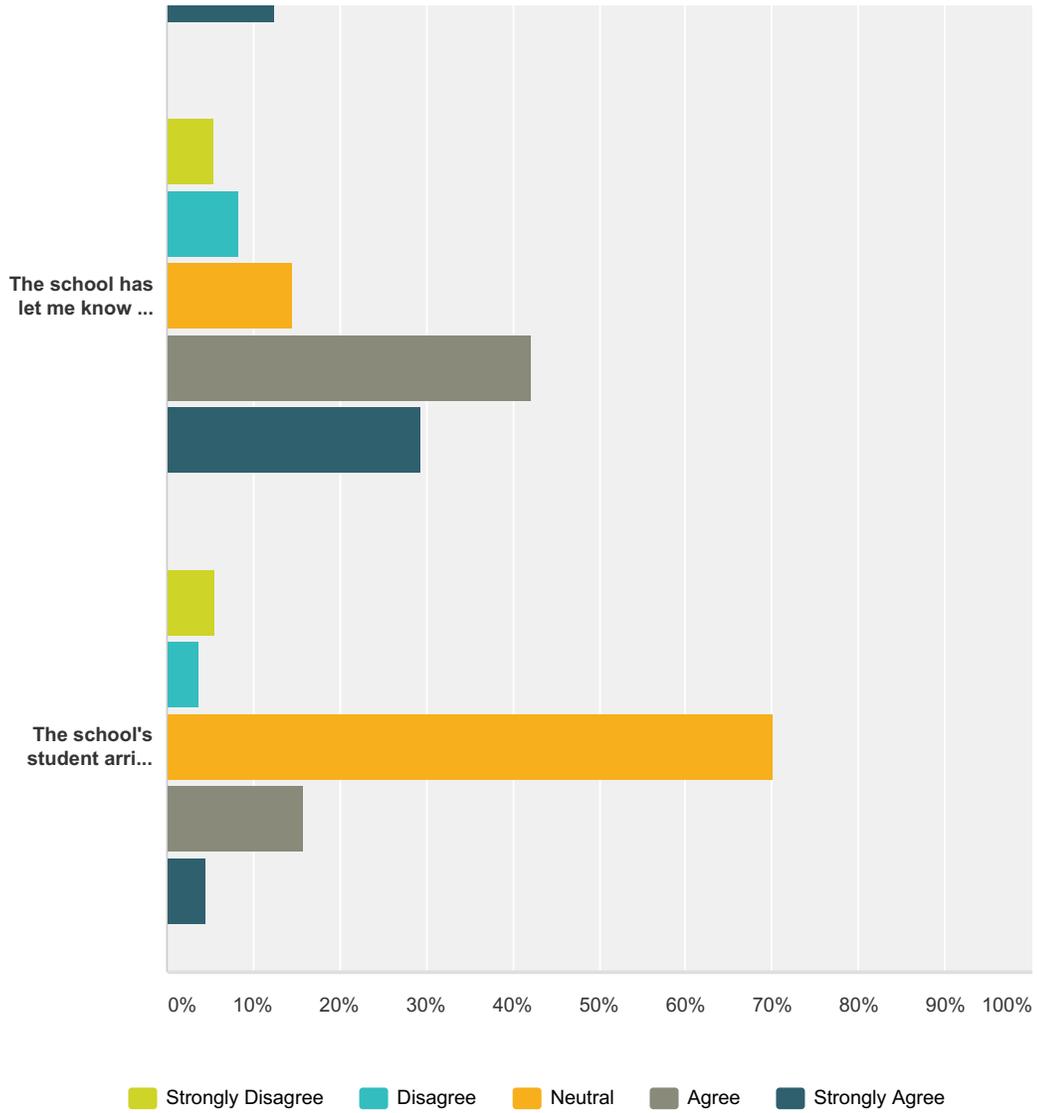
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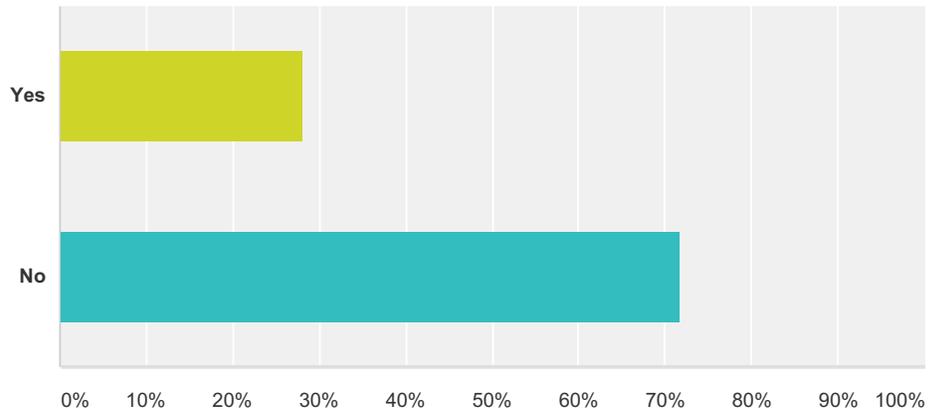
	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total
We live too far away for my child to walk or bike to school.	23.42% 26	17.12% 19	15.32% 17	17.12% 19	27.03% 30	111
There is a walking or biking route from my home to school that is safe from traffic.	24.77% 27	25.69% 28	22.94% 25	21.10% 23	5.50% 6	109
There is too much crime along my child's route to safely walk or bike to school.	11.93% 13	26.61% 29	29.36% 32	21.10% 23	11.01% 12	109
There are trusted adults available to walk or bike to school with my child.	30.28% 33	32.11% 35	27.52% 30	7.34% 8	2.75% 3	109
The weather prevents me from walking or biking to school with my child regularly.	19.63% 21	22.43% 24	35.51% 38	15.89% 17	6.54% 7	107
Walking or biking to school is healthy for my child.	0.93% 1	2.78% 3	16.67% 18	28.70% 31	50.93% 55	108
Walking or biking to school is fun for my child.	4.63% 5	4.63% 5	41.67% 45	28.70% 31	20.37% 22	108

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My child arrives more alert and ready to learn if s/he walks or bikes to school.	4.81% 5	5.77% 6	46.15% 48	30.77% 32	12.50% 13	104
The school has let me know the rules for student arrival and departure.	5.50% 6	8.26% 9	14.68% 16	42.20% 46	29.36% 32	109
The school's student arrival and departure procedures are better than they were last year.	5.61% 6	3.74% 4	70.09% 75	15.89% 17	4.67% 5	107

Q13 Is your child eligible for bus service to school?

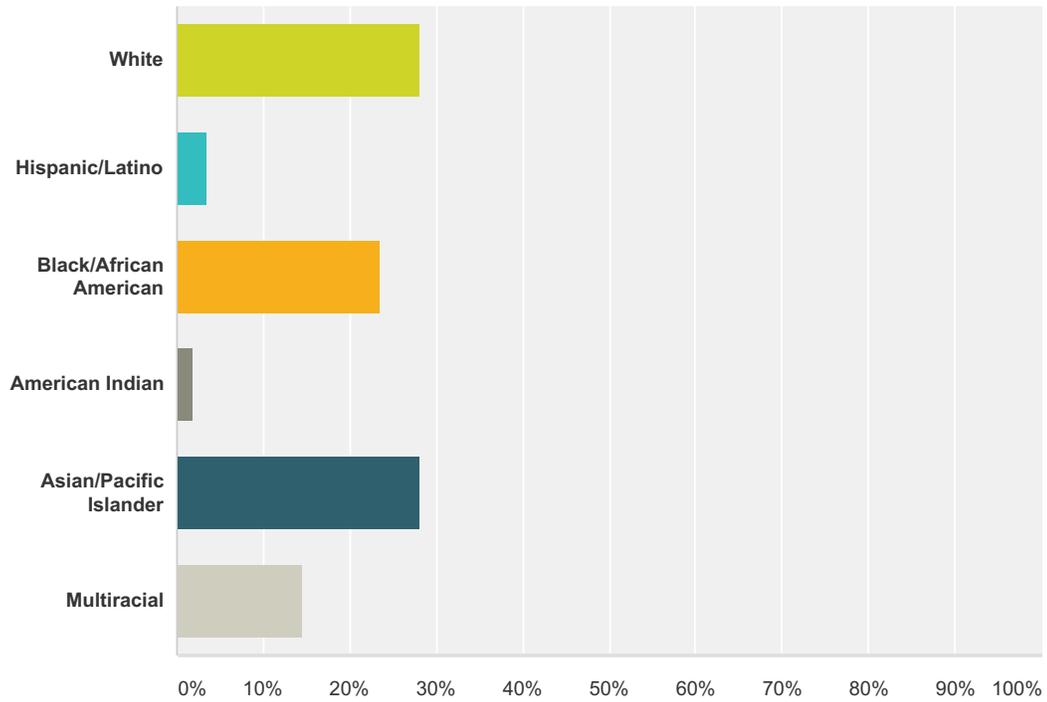
Answered: 110 Skipped: 10



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	28.18% 31
No	71.82% 79
Total	110

Q14 What most closely describes your child's ethnic identity?

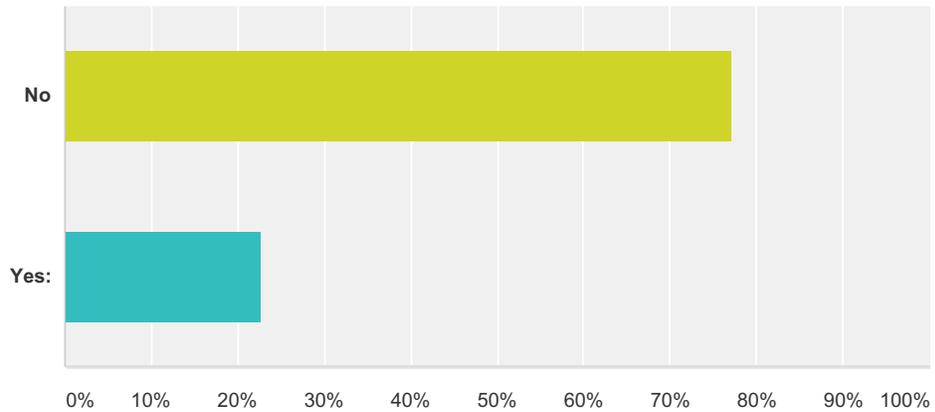
Answered: 110 Skipped: 10



Answer Choices	Responses
White	28.18% 31
Hispanic/Latino	3.64% 4
Black/African American	23.64% 26
American Indian	1.82% 2
Asian/Pacific Islander	28.18% 31
Multiracial	14.55% 16
Total	110

Q15 Do you speak a language other than English at home? What language?

Answered: 110 Skipped: 10



Answer Choices	Responses
No	77.27% 85
Yes:	22.73% 25
Total	110

#	Yes:	Date
1	Cantonese	3/19/2015 1:27 PM
2	no explanation	3/16/2015 12:59 PM
3	French	3/16/2015 12:55 PM
4	a bit of Spanish	3/16/2015 12:46 PM
5	Somalian	3/16/2015 12:31 PM
6	Chinese	3/2/2015 3:48 PM
7	Vietnamese	3/2/2015 3:46 PM
8	Tagalog	3/2/2015 12:44 PM
9	Spanish	3/2/2015 11:37 AM
10	no explanation	3/2/2015 11:35 AM
11	Tagalog	3/2/2015 11:30 AM
12	Tagalog,Ilokano	3/2/2015 11:25 AM
13	Cambodian	3/2/2015 11:22 AM
14	Oromo, Swahili, Somali	3/2/2015 11:19 AM
15	Chinese	3/2/2015 11:17 AM
16	Italian	2/21/2015 12:53 PM
17	left blank	2/20/2015 1:42 PM
18	PUNJABI	2/12/2015 9:09 PM

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19	CHINESE	2/12/2015 7:47 PM
20	A bit of Spanish, but the main language is English.	2/12/2015 7:41 PM
21	Laotian	2/12/2015 6:40 PM
22	Vietnamese and Chinese	2/12/2015 6:39 PM
23	French	2/9/2015 7:33 PM
24	Spanish	1/29/2015 11:35 AM
25	Spanish	1/29/2015 11:16 AM

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Q16 Do you have any other comments you would like to share about walking or biking to school?

Answered: 42 Skipped: 78

#	Responses	Date
1	I'm hoping this Safe Routes initiative will cause more kids to walk or bike to Mercer, because that will make it safer for all kids.	4/3/2015 10:37 AM
2	Please clarify in the next survey if participants should answer neutral if their kids don't walk/bike to school -- it will help the survey go faster for them.	3/26/2015 10:10 PM
3	Safety first!!	3/16/2015 12:43 PM
4	I wish SPS would recognize/acknowledge the second homes of children of divorced parents. My son *might* qualify for bus service from my home, but he doesn't from his other home, and SPS allows for one primary address only.	3/16/2015 11:17 AM
5	Safety while my child is on school grounds	3/16/2015 9:23 AM
6	My children walk and take the public bus transportation system to school. There crosswalk to their middle school is a busy intersection because it is near the VA Hospital. There should be constant and permanent adults there for these kids. My one daughter nearly got hit from a car who did not stop as she started to step into the crosswalk and the light for her to cross was on. There have been two students who were hit by cars in this area. They have to cross over twice to get to their school. SPS should come up with a budget to have buses for all Middle School kids not just elementary. They ride the public transit bus and my girls have been harassed and they are not even 15 yrs old.	3/2/2015 12:44 PM
7	no	3/2/2015 11:30 AM
8	good health	3/2/2015 11:22 AM
9	not now	3/2/2015 11:17 AM
10	Walking should have a group	2/21/2015 12:53 PM
11	My son isn't eligible for the school bus, but will use his school issued orca card to ride metro with an earlier sunrise and better weather.	2/20/2015 6:56 PM
12	It's just not safe to walk or bike to school if the distance is about 2 miles and the traffic is horrible, or the road/side roads are not well lit.	2/20/2015 1:42 PM
13	Live 1 1/2 Miles from school but live in Columbia City and can't go up the hill. :) Takes Metro or Daddy + bus. :)	2/20/2015 1:39 PM
14	My son found his own "group" w/ walking and biking by bumping into kids en route. not sure he would respond well to an organized group " _____"	2/19/2015 2:15 PM
15	I live approximately 1.5 miles from my daughters middle school, Asa Mercer. I do not feel safe allowing my daughter to walk or bike alone to or from school. One reason is, although this is a SDOT issue, many blocks between my house to her school doesn't have sidewalks. I see many people dangerously walking in these streets. Cars often speed through the neighborhood. I like to see the schools work with SDOT to complete sidewalk construction between Columbia Wy S to S Graham St and I-5 to Beacon Ave S.	2/18/2015 10:06 AM
16	I wish the drivers were more aware and more cautious of the students walking and biking. It's a really busy street to cross and most drivers are complete bozos and distracted while driving. I hve told my daughters if they can't see the drivers eyes and give htem eye contact they should not cross.	2/17/2015 7:59 AM
17	I don't feel that the route from my home to Mercer is safe. Some of the crossing at the intersections is not respected by motorists and there has never been a crossing guard posted to help students cross safely. Also, walking from my home, there isn't a safe way to get onto campus. She must either walk down the alley where cars and buses travel (quite fast and recklessly!) or she must cross the driveway to the school parking lot which is busy with cars trying to get in and they don't watch for pedestrians!	2/16/2015 7:27 PM

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18	It is very unsafe to walk and bike to school if the student lives almost two miles away from school, and where there were crimes reported in the area where the students live. Homeless people are in the street very early in the morning. The street are not safe for there are no crosswalks in some areas especially that by VA Hospital, S. Columbian Way. Some drivers are not careful enough in turning that they don't see pedestrians who are going to cross. A lot of them are in a hurry especially that early in the morning. I am worried every day about my child's safety in getting to school.	2/15/2015 6:13 PM
19	No	2/13/2015 6:31 PM
20	We simply live too far away	2/13/2015 12:21 PM
21	I would like to see a marked/lighted cross walk that leads to school. Also more, clear signage is needed with flashing lights, reduced speed and traffic cameras. Way too many drivers stop in the street for drop off or turn illegally endangering kids and other drivers. Noone is monitoring these issues outside.	2/13/2015 9:01 AM
22	Walking and biking to school is beneficial for our children, but I have seen so many parents driving fast and stopping on the side of the road to drop their kids near our school while there's on going traffic. That makes me worried for other kids that walk, bike, and other drivers. They should put a sign not to drop off kids by the street.	2/13/2015 8:56 AM
23	Mercer Middle School is located on a very busy road with no nearby safe cross walks. The parking lot entrance is hard to enter and exit and the road on the west side of the school is too narrow for cars to pass safely. Parking is horrible and along 16th the water runoff makes parking nearly impossible due to the mud and soft ground.	2/13/2015 8:35 AM
24	PLEASE ENCOURAGE MORE BIKING TO SCHOOL! THANKS!	2/13/2015 8:25 AM
25	need more load zones for dropping students off on Columbia in front and across from School (pulling into the parking lot at Mercer and being forced to turn right is inconvenient)	2/13/2015 7:55 AM
26	No	2/13/2015 6:13 AM
27	This is intriguing! Thanks for stirring this up. I would LOVE to shift so that my daughter could ride a bike to school.	2/12/2015 11:15 PM
28	We live in Columbia City and it's too far for our child to walk or bike to school. He has to take metro or Daddy bus.	2/12/2015 9:36 PM
29	We have started dropping our child off before the VA hospital so he can walk a little. We used to drop him off on the side of the school where the buses are but many parents make it unsafe by the way they park. The bus driver are also very aggressive when they pull out and leave the school. I am amazed that there has not been a terrible accident yet.	2/12/2015 9:26 PM
30	Mercer Int'l. School does not offer safe routes for a child to walk or bike to school. Columbian Way is a traffic congested danger zone (cars heading to and from I-5, daily school drop off/pick up, and VA hospital traffic.) The State's VA Hospital expanded in the last few years and the traffic volume has increased 3x with the increased number of hospital staff & patients. I see students riding their bikes to Mercer in the dark hours in the morning with NO HELMET. We have inadequate lighting surrounding the school, we need stadium lighting along Columbian Way so traffic can slow down and this can improve the visibility of students walking/biking to school. It's pitch black in the mornings. Can we have the State build a walkway bridge over Columbian Way and adding an ADA elevator lift for disabled veterans? Can the City fund lighted crosswalks for students/pedestrians to cross safely? Thank you Feet First for listening.	2/12/2015 9:23 PM
31	I am a bike to work commuter and strongly support biking and walking to school. We did a practice bike to school this summer and realized that 1) crossing 3 major arterials (Rainier, MLK and Beacon 2) carrying a heavy backpack and 3) the parents dropping off "illegally" by the driveway created too much of a hazard for us to feel comfortable with our child biking to school so have chosen to encourage the use of school bus and public transit instead.	2/12/2015 9:03 PM
32	The worst part by far is crossing busy streets. S. Columbian Way is scary. I am also concerned that despite a million warnings my son has jaywalked across Beacon Ave. S. He claims he does not anymore, but I worry nonetheless.	2/12/2015 8:41 PM

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33	My child is willing and able to bike or walk to school, but the issue for our family is school start times. TOO EARLY. For a student to bike or walk to school, he or she would have to get up even earlier than now, and it's proven that lack of sleep is bad for teenagers. Also, and more importantly, it would mean biking/walking in the dark half the year. The 7:45 middle school start time is one of the things I find most maddening about Seattle Public Schools, a district that I think generally does right by kids. My son walks home from school every day; as a family, we like to walk and bike. But I'm not going to send him out there in the dark on Columbian Way. Even when it's light, the bike lane there -- with the crazy crush of cars in the morning coming and going out of the VA hospital, Mercer and the fruit stand -- gives a false sense of security, I think. And I'm a bike commuter. So if I can't be persuaded, I'm not sure who can be.	2/12/2015 8:33 PM
34	More resources on the south end please !	2/12/2015 7:12 PM
35	Need more crossing lights at major intersections and better lighting for safety.	2/12/2015 6:40 PM
36	What is being done for the children go home or to community centers?	2/12/2015 6:36 PM
37	Yes. As I noted in the comments earlier, you should ask both about walking to school and walking home, as many people have different arrangements for these. I wonder how valid your findings will be based on the current wording of this question. Also another factor in walking or biking is the terrain - I would be very unlikely to have my daughter ride her bike to school as we live at the bottom of Beacon Hill and she goes to school at the top of the hill.	2/9/2015 4:53 PM
38	Every afternoon I see students having to run across 4 lanes of traffic on 15th Ave to catch the 2:30 Southbound #50. There needs to be a crosswalk and crosswalker. There is no signage and no traffic light. Students cross recklessly because if they miss this bus they have to wait 30minutes for the next one.	2/5/2015 6:32 AM
39	drop off in morning because it's dark out so early, then walks home in large group of children	1/29/2015 11:35 AM
40	I'm glad that the principal is considering how to increase walking to school and how to make it safe.	1/29/2015 11:31 AM
41	Unsafe, I would let them walk/bike if it were safer.	1/29/2015 11:25 AM
42	it is more dangerous for kids to walk and ride bikes	1/29/2015 11:07 AM