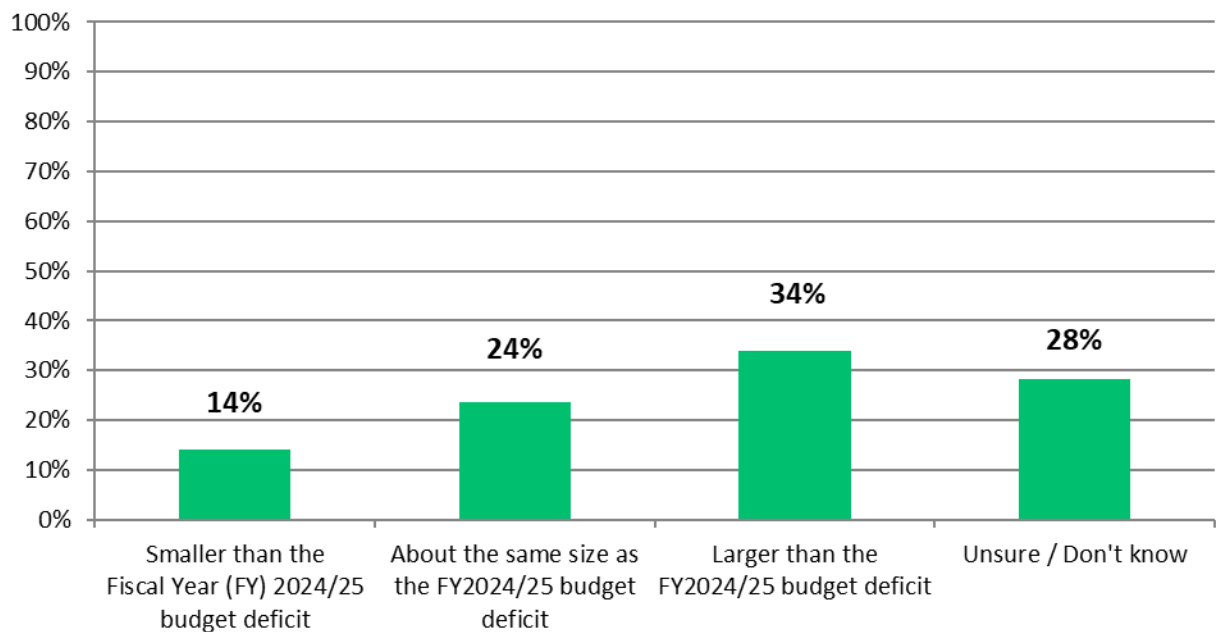


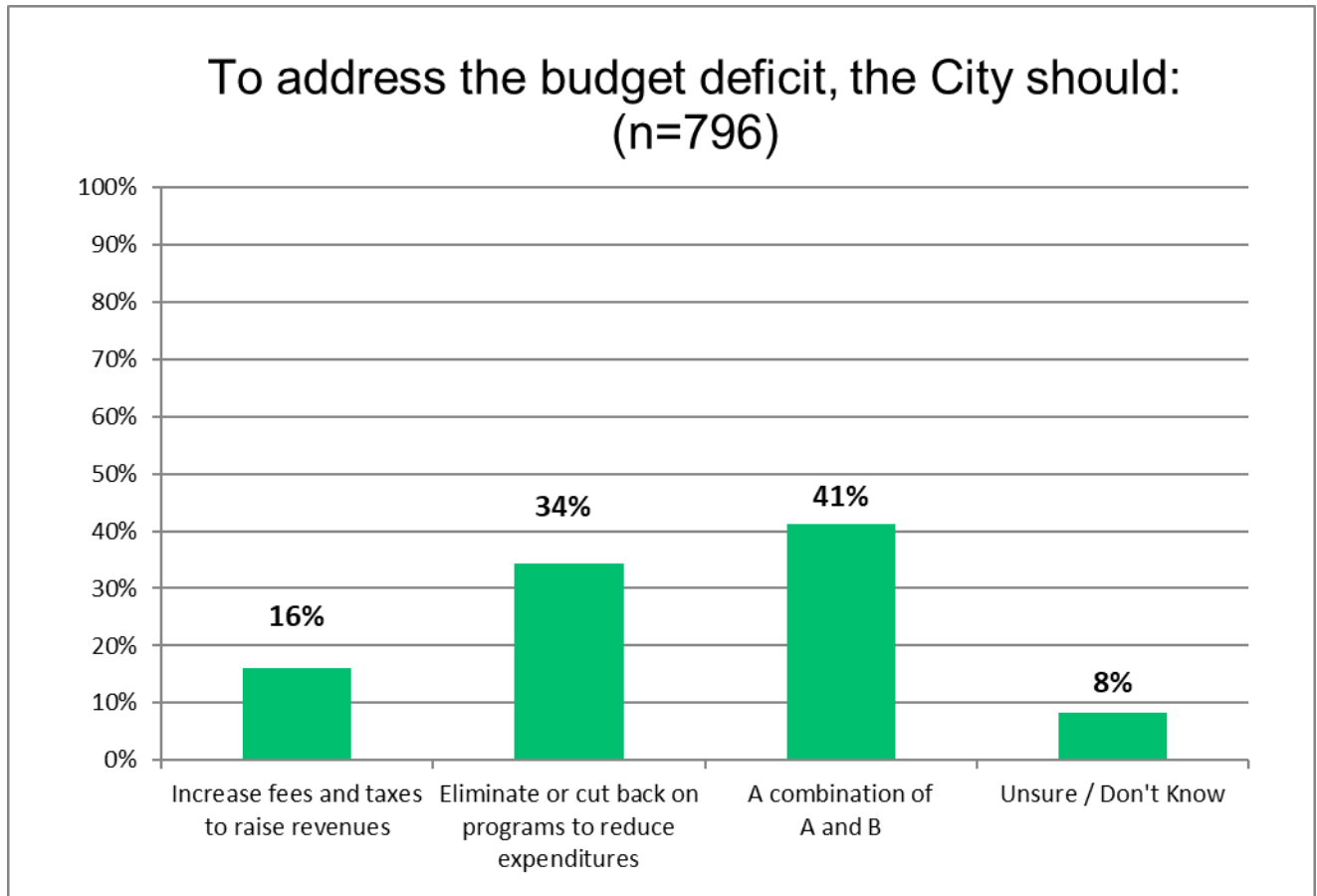
Fiscal Year 2025/26 Budget Community Survey Results

- 1) Last year, City staff forecasted that the City is facing a "structural budget deficit" with the rate of cost increases outpacing available City resources. The City closed a projected \$66 million deficit to balance the Fiscal Year 2024/25 budget with a combination one-time and ongoing budget balancing strategies. As we approach budget development for Fiscal Year 2025/26, do you think the City's budget deficit will be:
- a) Smaller than the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024/25 budget deficit
 - b) About the same size as the FY2024/25 budget deficit
 - c) Larger than the FY2024/25 budget deficit
 - d) Unsure / Don't know

Understanding of the size of the deficit compared to last year (n=798)

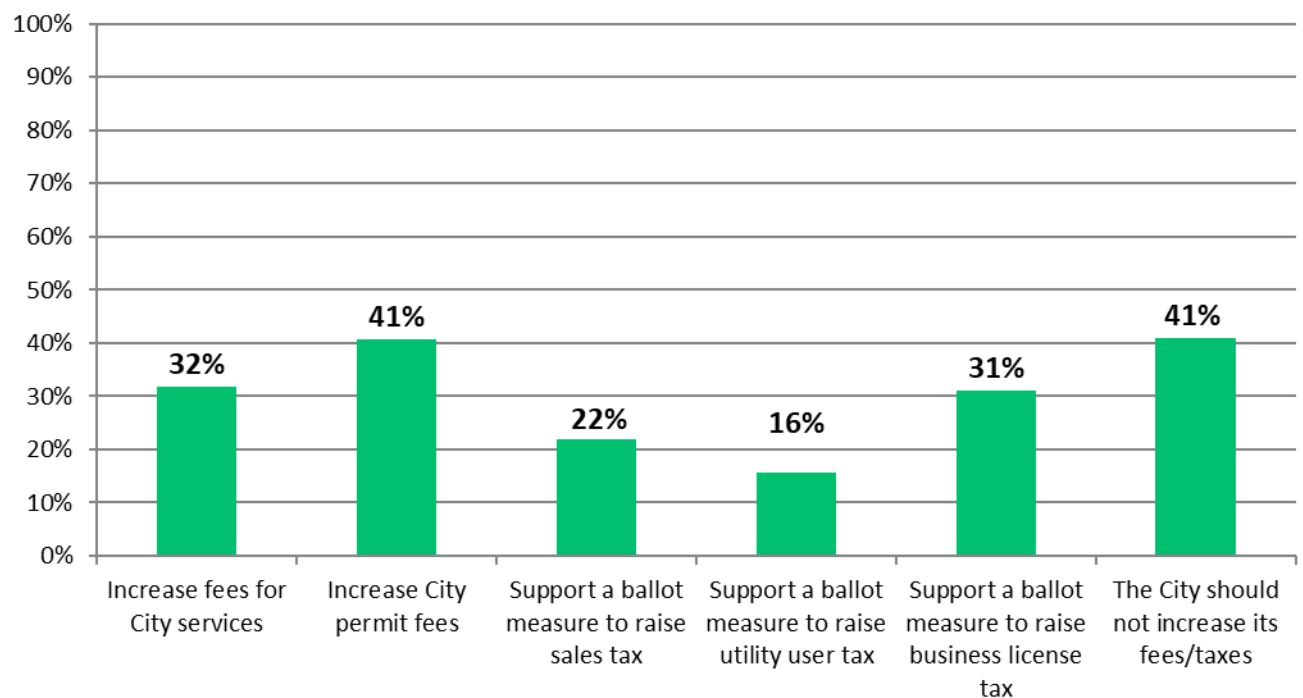


- 2) To address the budget deficit, should the City:
- a) Increase fees and taxes to raise revenues
 - b) Eliminate or cut back on programs to reduce expenditures
 - c) A combination of A and B
 - d) Unsure / Don't Know



- 3) To increase City revenues, what strategies should be considered? Please choose all that apply.
- a) Increase fees for City services
 - b) Increase City permit fees
 - c) Support a ballot measure to raise sales tax
 - d) Support a ballot measure to raise utility user tax
 - e) Support a ballot measure to raise business license tax
 - f) The City should not increase its fees/taxes

Strategies to consider for increasing City revenues (n=793)

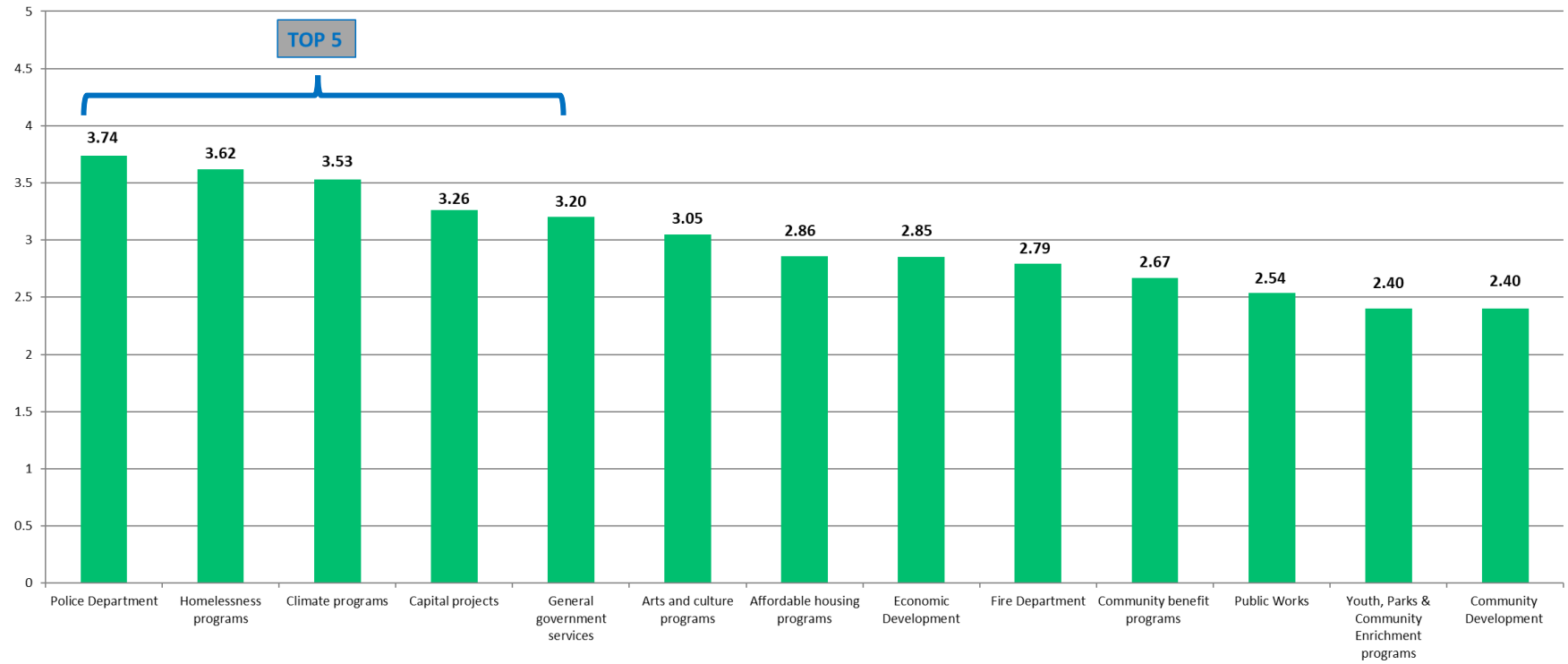


- 4) Please indicate your level of support for reducing expenses in each of the following areas by selecting your top five choices.

Select "Strongest Support for Expense Reductions" for the area you most support reducing expenses in, "2nd Strongest Support for Expense Reductions" for your next choice, and so on. (Strongest Support for Expense Reductions, 2nd Strongest Support for Expense Reductions, 3rd Strongest Support for Expense Reductions, 4th Strongest Support for Expense Reductions, 5th Strongest Support for Expense Reductions):

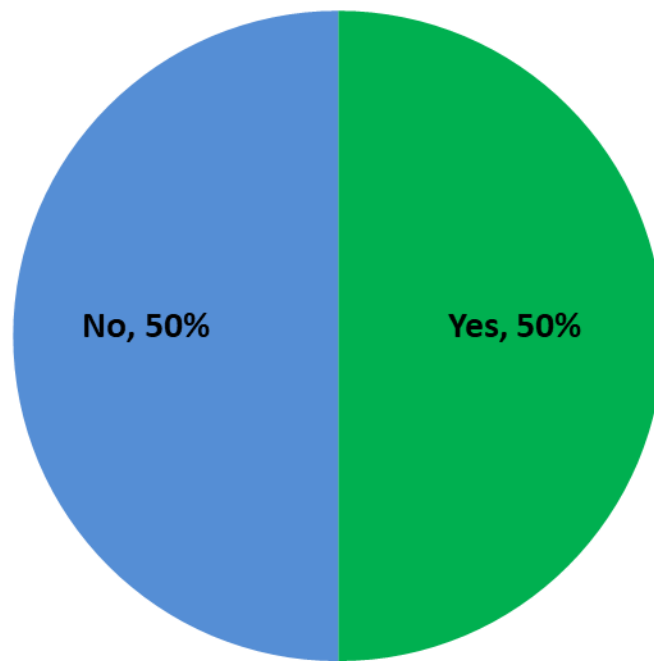
- a) Affordable housing programs
- b) Arts and culture programs
- c) Capital projects (large new projects or infrastructure improvements)
- d) Climate programs
- e) Community benefit programs (such as free Sacramento Regional Transit rides for school-age children)
- f) Community Development (Animal Care, Code Enforcement and Planning)
- g) Economic Development
- h) Fire Department
- i) General government services (Information Technology, Human Resources, Finance, Clerk, Auditor, City Attorney)
- j) Homelessness programs
- k) Youth, Parks & Community Enrichment programs
- l) Police Department
- m) Public Works (Roads, public facilities and tree maintenance, parking)

Public's ranking of the top five expense reduction options (n=785)



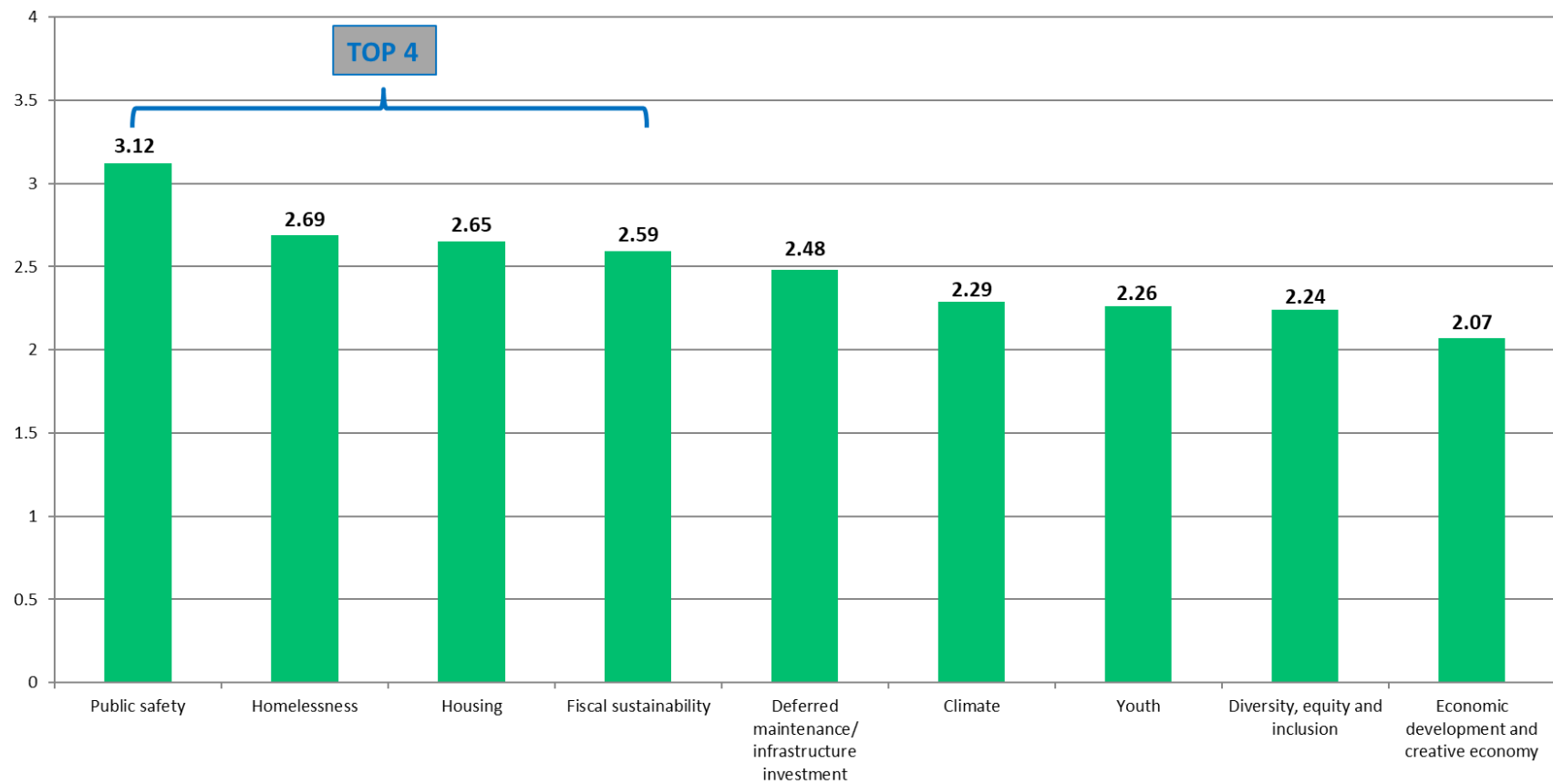
- 5) City staff and the City Council in September 2023 participated in a public priority setting workshop. Council members collectively selected homelessness, public safety, housing and deferred maintenance/infrastructure investment as their top four priorities. Last year, the Community Survey identified Public Safety, Homelessness, Housing, and Fiscal Sustainability as the top 4 priorities for the City. Do you believe those should still be the top priorities for the City?

Should Public Safety, Homelessness, Housing, and Fiscal Sustainability remain as the top 4 priorities for the City (n=794)



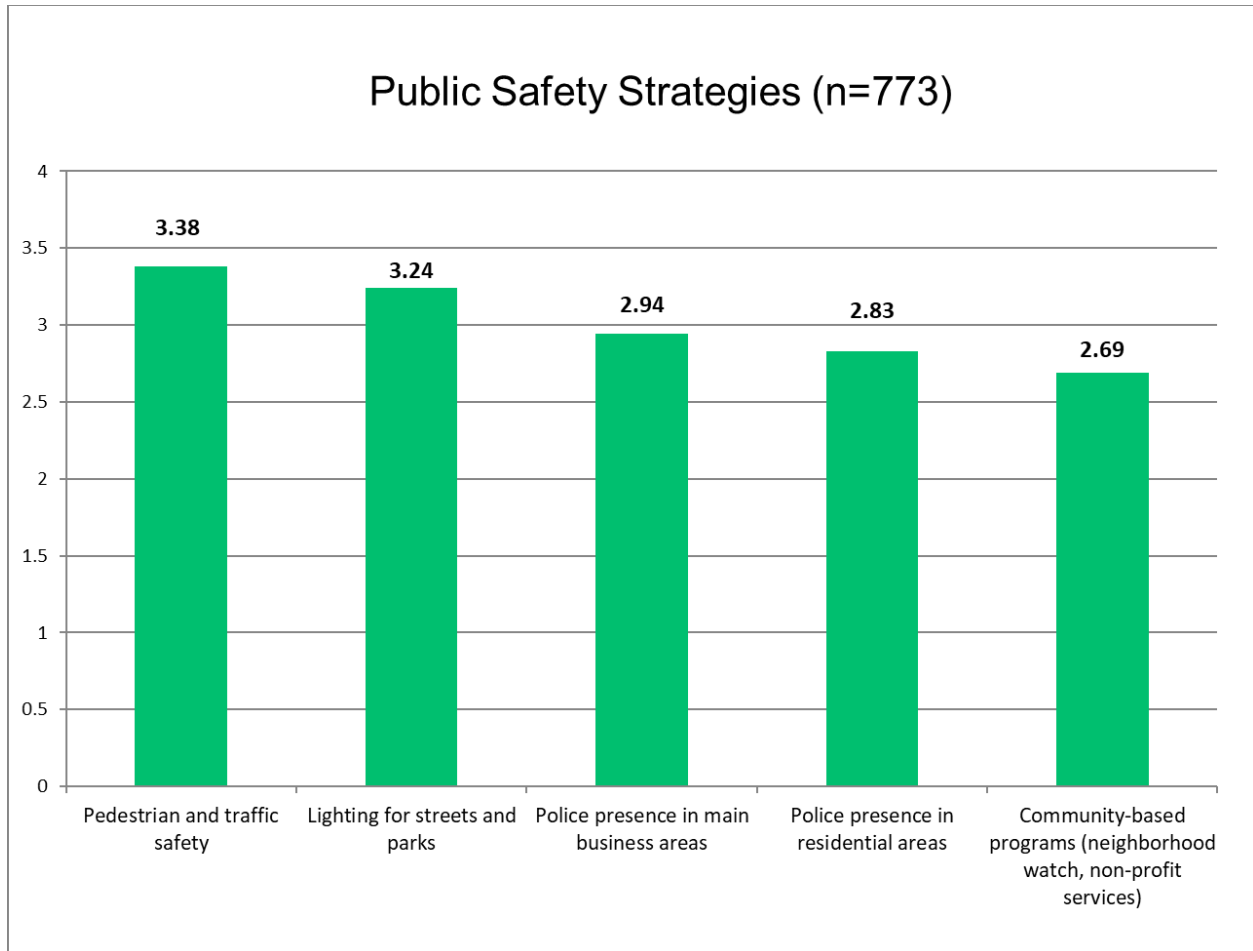
- 6) If no, please select your top four priorities from those the choices provided to Council in the 2023 public priority setting workshop:
- a) Homelessness
 - b) Housing
 - c) Fiscal sustainability
 - d) Public safety
 - e) Diversity, equity and inclusion
 - f) Deferred maintenance/infrastructure investment
 - g) Economic development and creative economy
 - h) Youth
 - i) Climate

Public's ranking of the top four priorities (n=392)



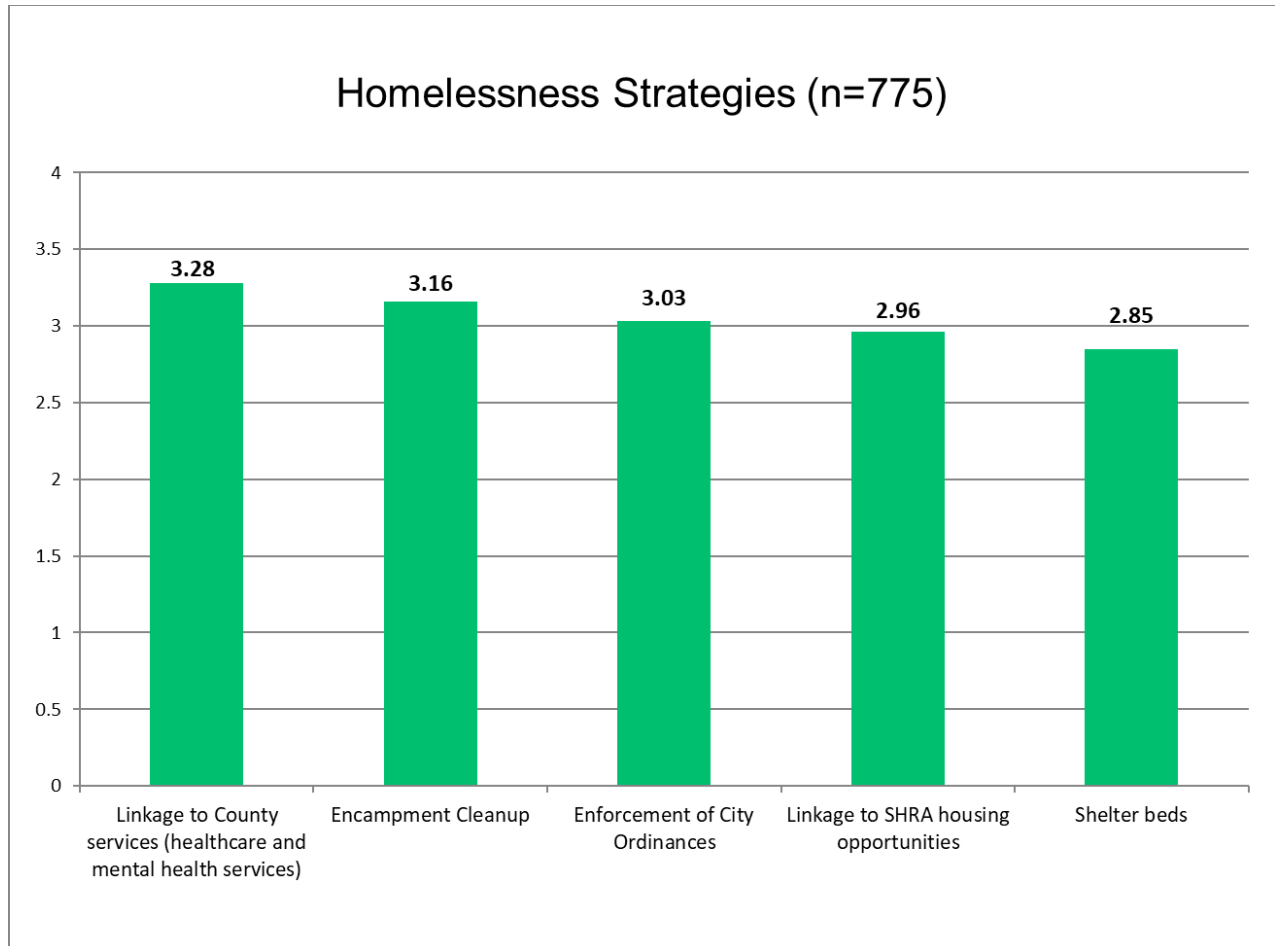
7) Public Safety

- a) Police presence in main business areas
- b) Police presence in residential areas
- c) Community-based programs (neighborhood watch, non-profit services)
- d) Lighting for streets and parks
- e) Pedestrian and traffic safety



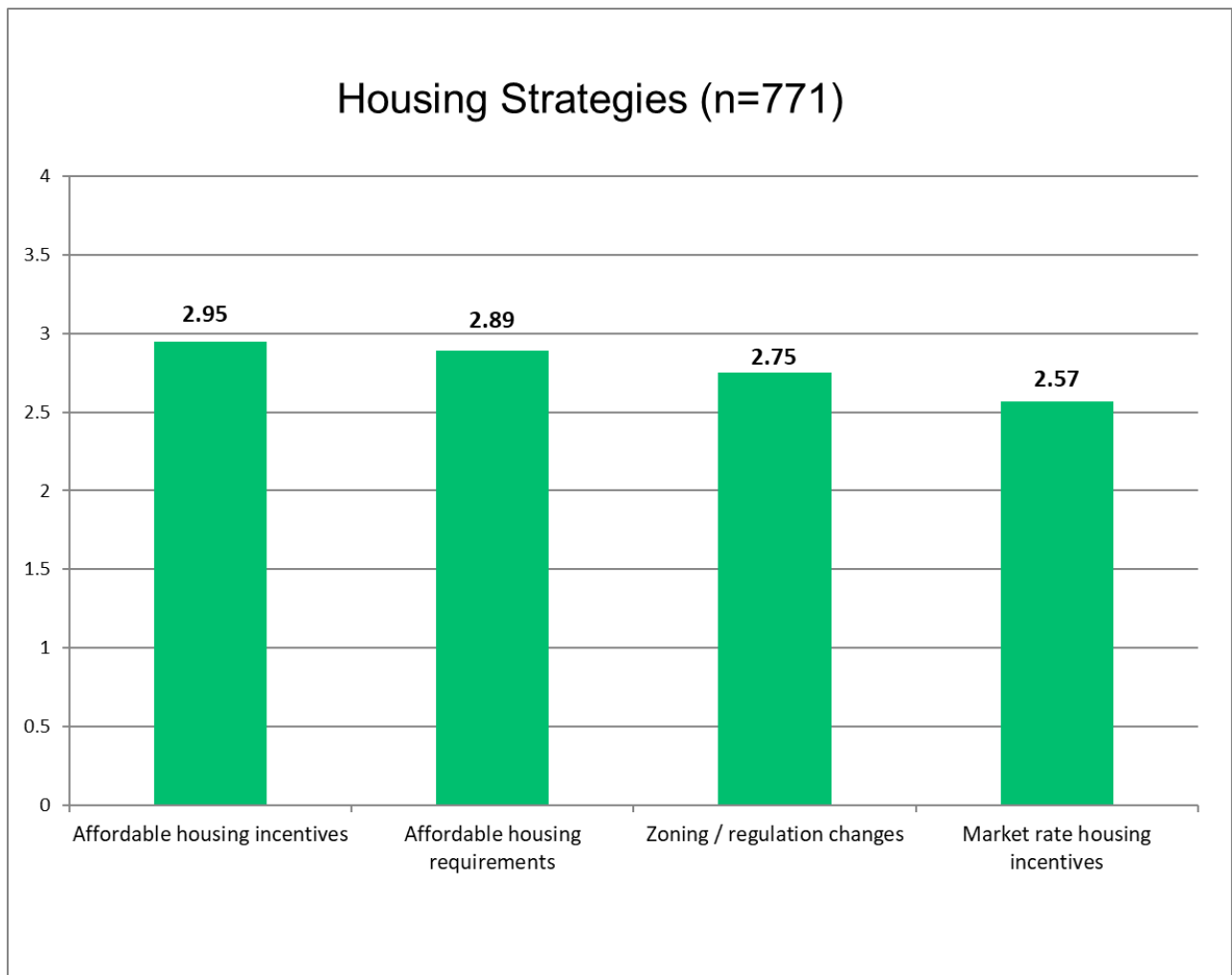
8) Homelessness

- a) Shelter beds
- b) Enforcement of City Ordinances
- c) Linkage to County services (healthcare and mental health services)
- d) Linkage to SHRA housing opportunities
- e) Encampment Cleanup



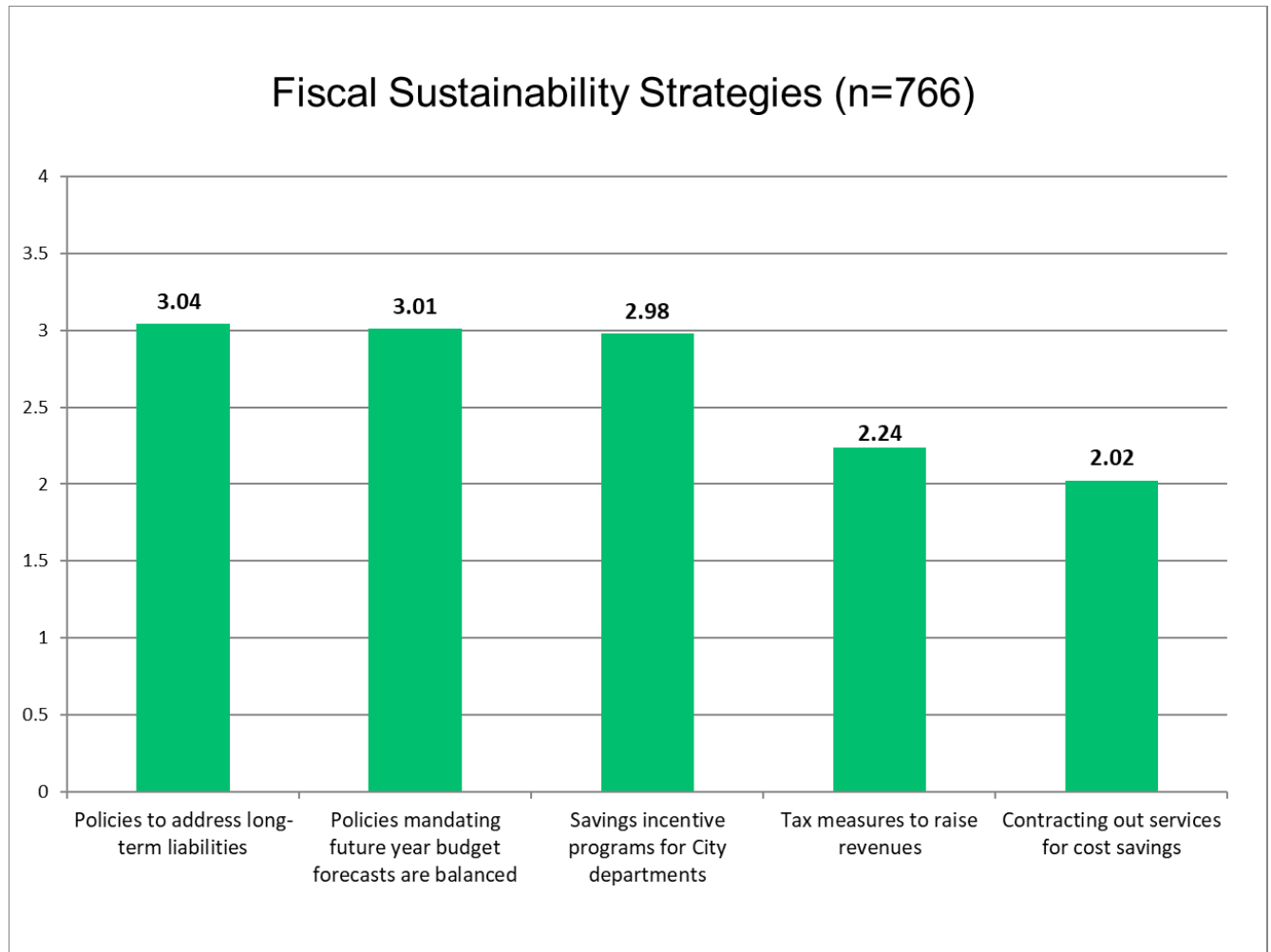
9) Housing

- a) Affordable housing incentives
- b) Affordable housing requirements
- c) Market rate housing incentives
- d) Zoning / regulation changes to support development



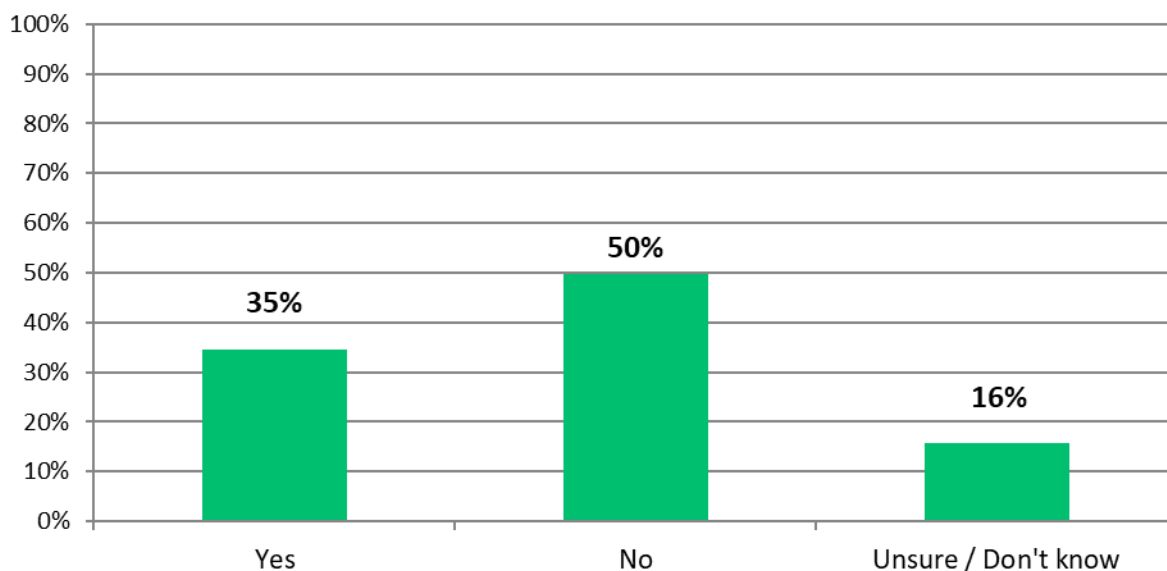
10) Fiscal Sustainability

- a) Savings incentive programs for City departments
- b) Policies to address long-term liabilities such as unfunded pension obligations and capital needs
- c) Policies mandating future year budget forecasts are balanced
- d) Tax measures to raise revenues
- e) Contracting out services for cost savings



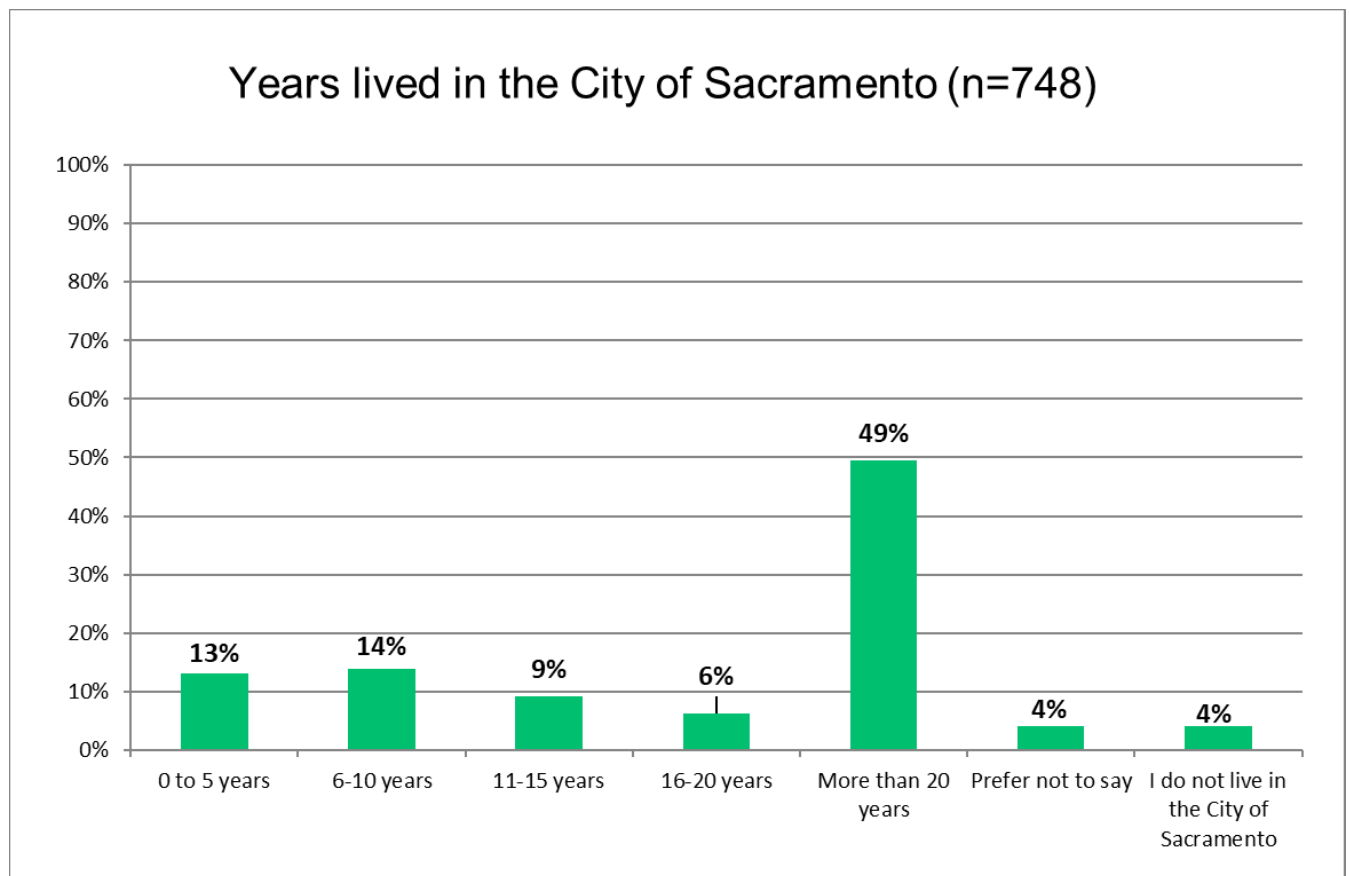
- 11) Would you support using contractors to provide services traditionally provided by City employees if it would help decrease the budget deficit?
- a) Yes
 - b) No
 - c) Unsure/Don't know

Public's support of using contractors to provide services traditionally provided by City employees (n=774)



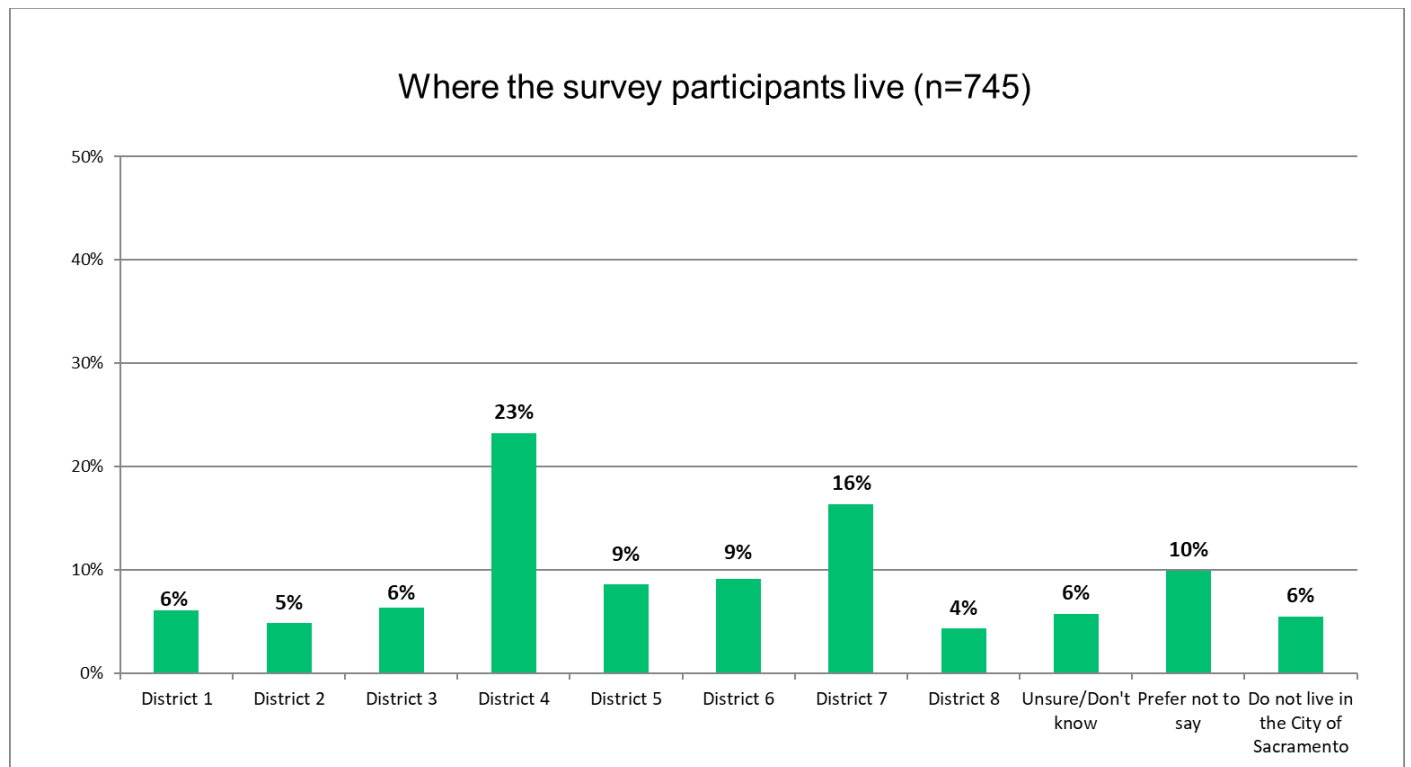
12) How many years have you lived in the City of Sacramento?

- a) 0 to 5 years
- b) 6-10 years
- c) 11-15 years
- d) 16-20 years
- e) More than 20 years
- f) Prefer not to say
- g) I do not live in the City of Sacramento



13) What City of Sacramento Council district do you live in (find your district here)?

- a) District 1
- b) District 2
- c) District 3
- d) District 4
- e) District 5
- f) District 6
- g) District 7
- h) District 8
- i) Unsure/Don't know
- j) Prefer not to say
- k) I do not live in the City of Sacramento



14) What is your age range?

- a) Under 20 years of age
- b) 20-24 years of age
- c) 25-29 years of age
- d) 30-34 years of age
- e) 35-39 years of age
- f) 40-44 years of age
- g) 45-49 years of age
- h) 50-54 years of age
- i) 55-64 years of age
- j) Over the age of 64
- k) Prefer not to say

