

September 27, 2021

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THROUGH: STEPHANIE N. WIGGINS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

- FROM: NICOLE ENGLUND N2 CHIEF OF STAFF
- SUBJECT: PUBLIC SAFETY SURVEY RESULTS

ISSUE

This report provides the Board with Public Safety Survey results (attached) that are available to inform Metro's future approach to public safety.

BACKGROUND

Board Report 2020-0572 (September 2020) indicated that Metro would launch a Public Safety Survey of customers and Metro employees. Metro engaged an independent research firm to conduct the customer research, which included current riders as well as recently lapsed riders. The research firm also conducted a survey of persons experiencing homelessness on Metro, and one-on-one interviews of community leaders who have experience with marginalized communities. Staff is conducting a Public Safety Survey of Metro employees as well.

This Board box shares the results of the survey of customers and the survey of people experiencing homelessness on Metro. The results from the employee survey and community leader interviews will be shared with the Board in October, after the information becomes available.

These surveys of multiple populations were conducted to get a full 360-degree perspective on public safety issues. Initial methodologies and survey instruments were reviewed by the Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) Ad Hoc Survey Subcommittee. As a result of the PSAC subcommittee review, multiple changes were made to the questionnaires, and steps taken to ensure diverse participants were engaged, including:

• The rider survey was made available in eight languages.

- Metro reached out to rider survey respondents at different times of the day and different days of the week to reach lower income respondents who work varying schedules or multiple jobs.
- Metro supplemented the rider survey with an address-based sample to ensure the survey is representative and inclusive of Equity Focused Communities (EFC).
- People experiencing homelessness were provided with incentives to thank them for their participation in the survey of people experiencing homelessness.

DISCUSSION

The research consultants fielded two surveys:

- 1) A dual-mode (telephone and online) survey of a random sample of current and lapsed Metro riders.
- 2) Interviews of Metro riders who are experiencing homelessness.

Results from these two surveys are attached. Findings include:

- Most riders, including people experiencing homelessness, usually feel safe on Metro except at night
- Women and nonbinary individuals tend to feel less safe than men
- Top rider priorities include:
 - Lighting and emergency call buttons at stations and bus stops
 - Staff who can assist people with disabilities
 - Social workers and mental health professionals
 - Transit Ambassadors
- Many respondents support both armed and unarmed staff on the system. Over 60% want law enforcement and armed security staff to be a priority, and this support spans all race/ethnicity categories. Even more, over 70%, want unarmed security staff to be a priority.
- A slim majority wants Metro to allow people experiencing homelessness to ride just like anyone else, while a third wants Metro to be "tougher" about removing them from buses and trains.

NEXT STEPS

Survey results will be made available to the Public Safety Advisory Committee and Metro staff to help inform recommendations to the Board regarding reimagination of public safety on Metro.

ATTACHMENT

Attachment A – Public Safety Survey Results

Perceptions of METRO Safety and Security

Results of Survey of METRO Riders and Survey of People Experiencing Homelessness on METRO





Survey of METRO Riders

Survey Specifics and Methodology

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Dates	July 27-August 19, 2021				
Survey Type	Dual-mode Customer Survey				
Research Population	Current and Lapsed Metro Rail and Bus Riders				
Total Interviews	2,070				
Margin of Sampling Error	(Full Sample) ±2.2% at the 95% Confidence Level (Half Sample) ±3.0% at the 95% Confidence Level				
Contact Methods	Image: Constraint of the second sec				
Data Collection Modes	Image: Constraint of the second sec				
Languages	Survey available in English, Spanish, Armenian, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Russian, Vietnamese				



Not all results will sum to 100% due to rounding

Data statistically weighted to reflect the demographics of METRO's ridership before COVID-19 pandemic

Many efforts were made to ensure that the survey was designed and administered objectively and that respondents reflect the demographics of current and lapsed METRO riders.

- Adjustments to survey questionnaire and methods based on input from PSAC Ad Hoc Committee
- Several steps taken to ensure the survey was representative and inclusive of as many riders as possible including those without regular access to the internet, with disabilities that make hearing or reading difficult, who are more comfortable speaking languages other than English, who work during "normal" evening survey hours, etc.:
 - Survey made available in multiple modes (cell phones, landlines, and online)
 - Potential respondents reached with several contact methods (phone calls, text messages and email messages)
 - Contacted potential respondents at different times of day and different days of the week
 - Survey available in eight languages
 - Expanded the pool of potential respondents by supplementing the on-board rider survey database with randomized contacts of residents who have recently ridden METRO
- Independent research company led by the data, without a pre-existing agenda



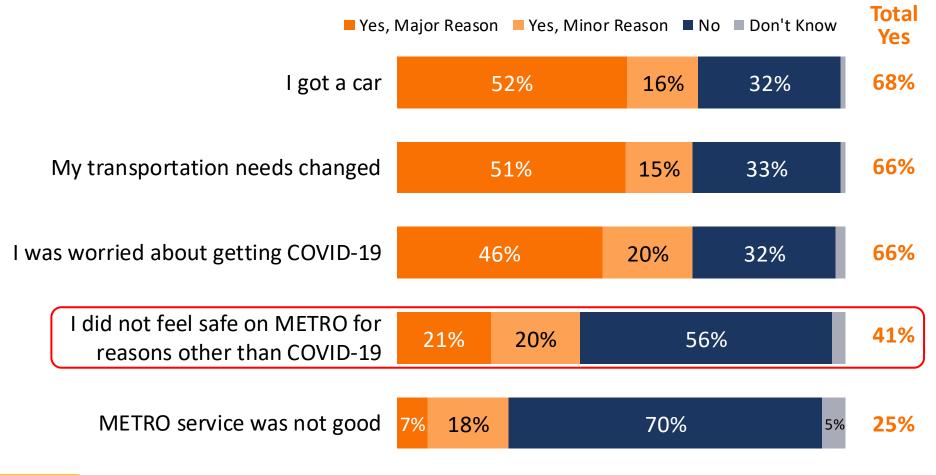
Weighted demographic profile of respondents is in line with METRO's pre-COVID ridership.

- 53% identify as Latinx/Hispanic; 18% Black/African American;
 9% Asian/Pacific Islander
- 19% interviews conducted in languages other than English
- 17% identify as having a disability
- 20% identify as not heterosexual
- 2% identify as gender non-conforming or non-binary
- 53% household income below \$25,000
- 24% ages 18-24; 22% ages 25-34; 45% for ages 35-64; 9% ages 65+



About four-in-ten respondents who have reduced their Metro ridership cited their safety (not related to COVID) as a reason.

(Ranked by Yes, Major Reason; Asked of Those Who Do Not Currently Ride METRO; n=631)

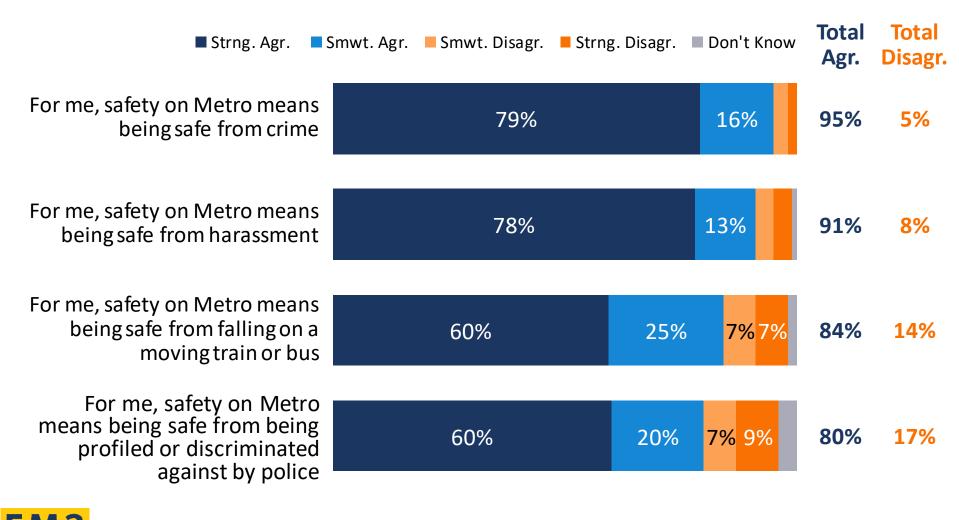




Q6. I am going to mention a list of reasons why some people are riding METRO less than they used to. Please tell me if that is a reason why you have been riding METRO less.

The large majority of respondents have a broad definition of safety.

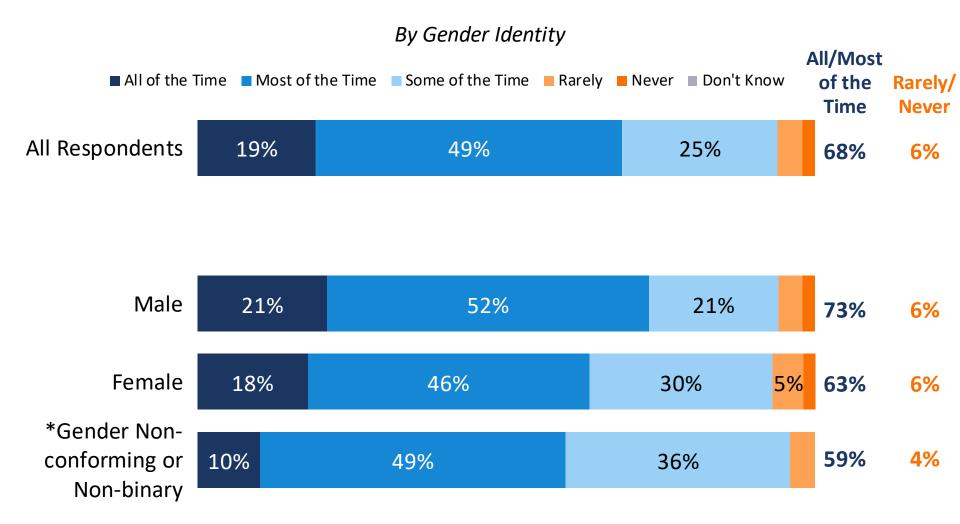
(Ranked by Strongly Agree)



Q9. Please indicate if you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.

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In all age groups women felt less safe than men when riding METRO.

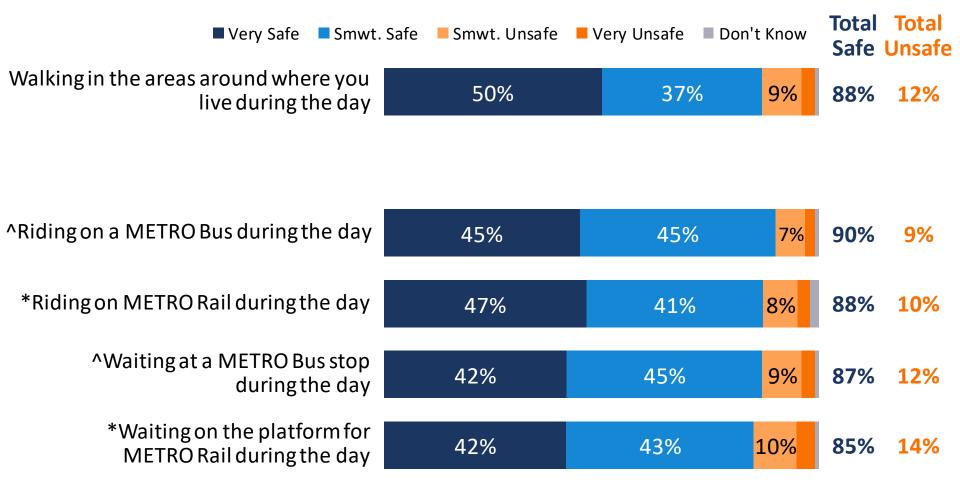




Q7. In general, when thinking about the most recent times you have ridden METRO, would you say you felt safe all of the time, most of the time, some of the time, rarely or never? *Low sample size; n=41

Metro riders generally feel safe during the day.

(Ranked by Total Safe)

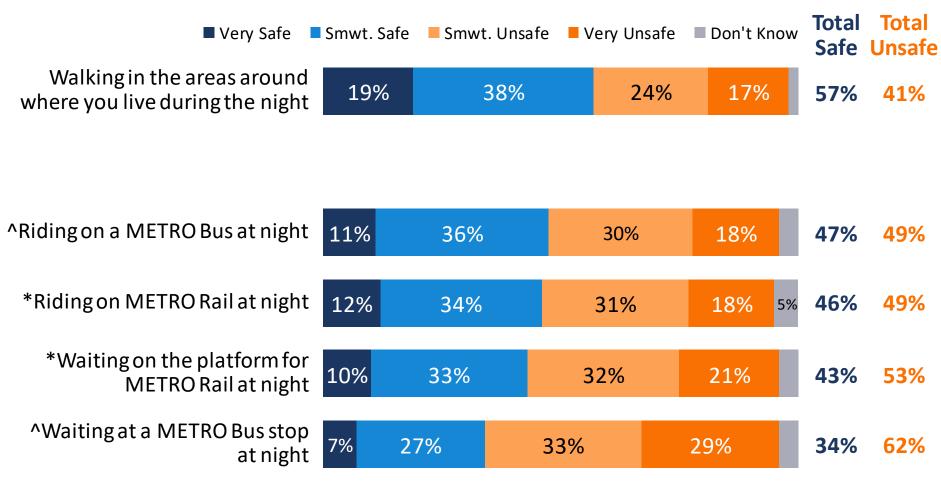




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Riders have much stronger concerns about their safety in the METRO system at night.

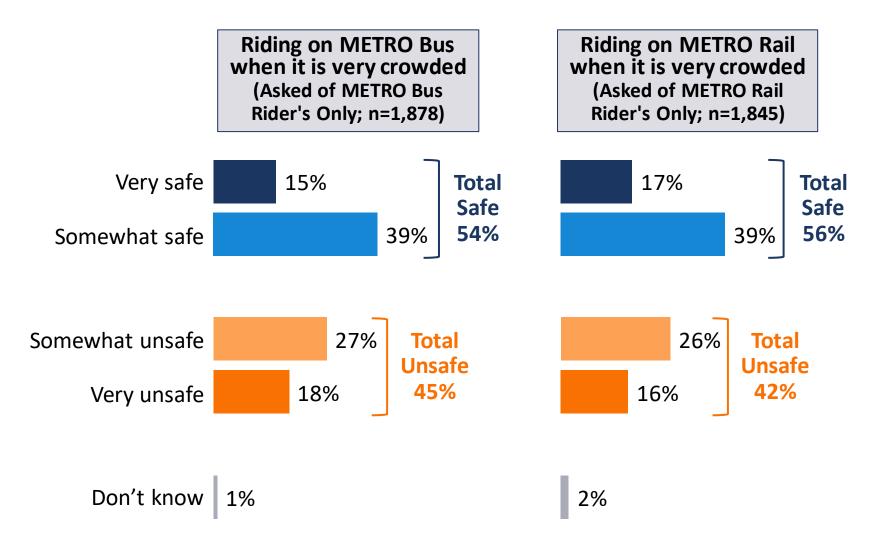
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Riders tend to feel less safe on crowded buses and trains.



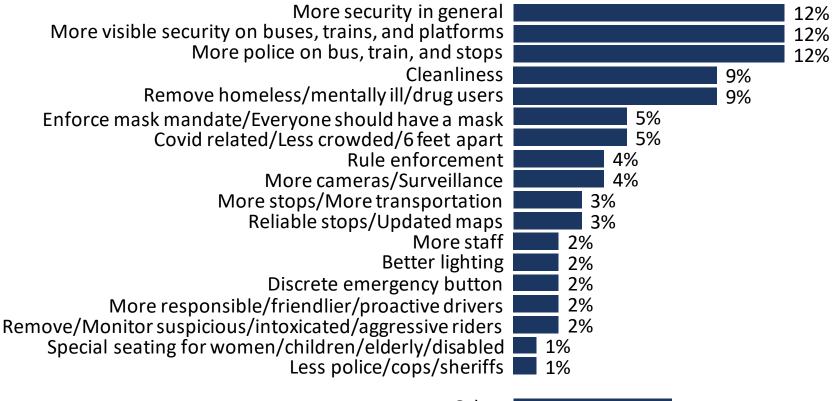


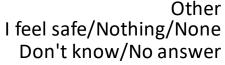
Q10e & f. I would now like to mention different situations, and after each one please tell me if you generally feel (very safe, somewhat safe, somewhat unsafe, or very unsafe; very unsafe, somewhat unsafe, somewhat safe, or very safe) in those situations. If the situation has never applied to you, you can tell me that instead.

The most common responses to an open-ended question about improving safety for riders referenced improving security.

What would be the one thing METRO could do that would do the most to make you feel safer when using METRO?

(Open-ended; Multiple Responses Accepted; Responses Shown 1% and a Above)

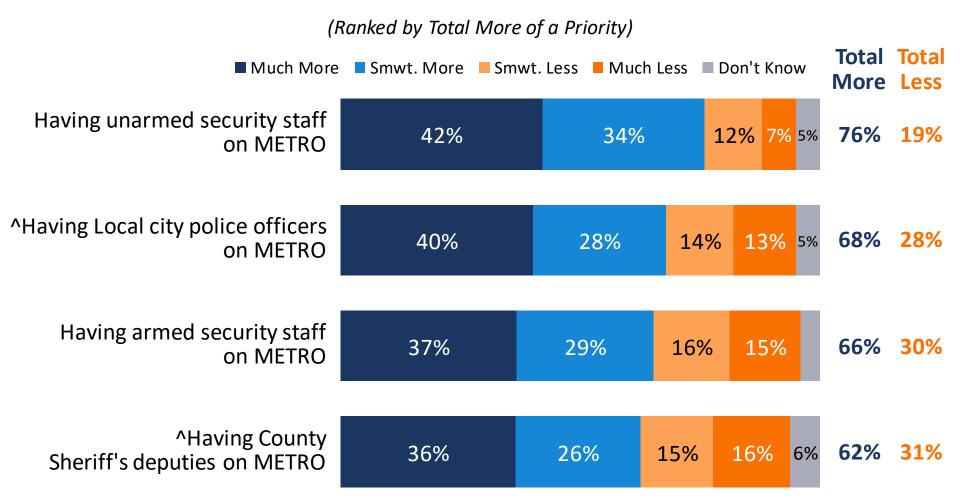








SECURITY STAFF: Over 60% of riders want more security staff and law enforcement on Metro, while 20-30% want less.





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Support for Security Staff by Race/Ethnicity

(Total More of a Priority)

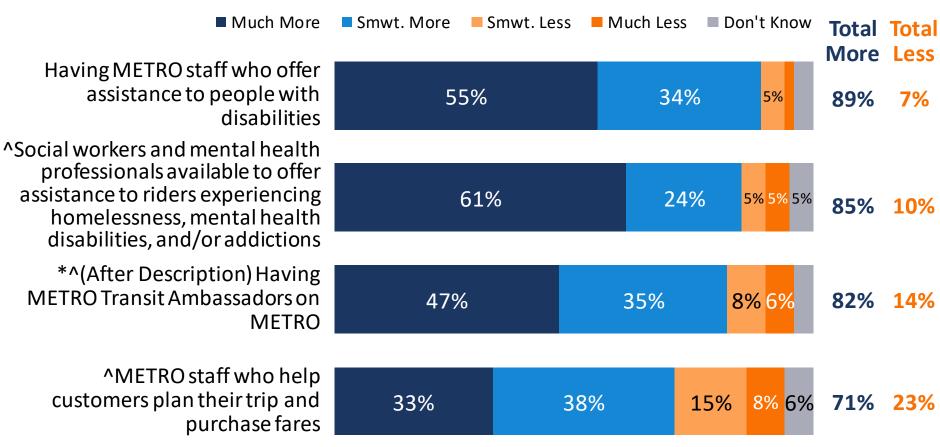
	All Resp.	Race/Ethnicity					
Security Personnel Priorities		Latinx/ Hispanics	Black/ African Americans	Whites	Asians/ Pacific Islanders	All Other Race/ Ethnicities	
Having unarmed security staff on METRO	76%	76%	78%	76%	83%	70%	
^Having Local city police officers on METRO	68%	70%	70%	61%	67%	60%	
Having armed security staff on METRO	66%	67%	68%	61%	63%	56%	
^Having County Sheriff's deputies on METRO	62%	65%	65%	57%	61%	46%	



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ASSISTANCE STAFF: There is even more support for staff who can help customers in a variety of ways, including Transit Ambassadors and social workers.

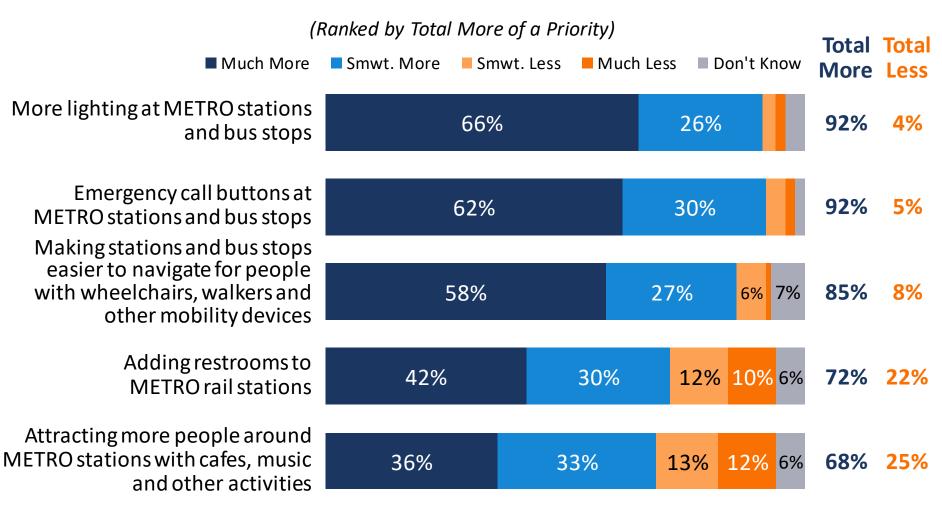
(Ranked by Total More of a Priority)





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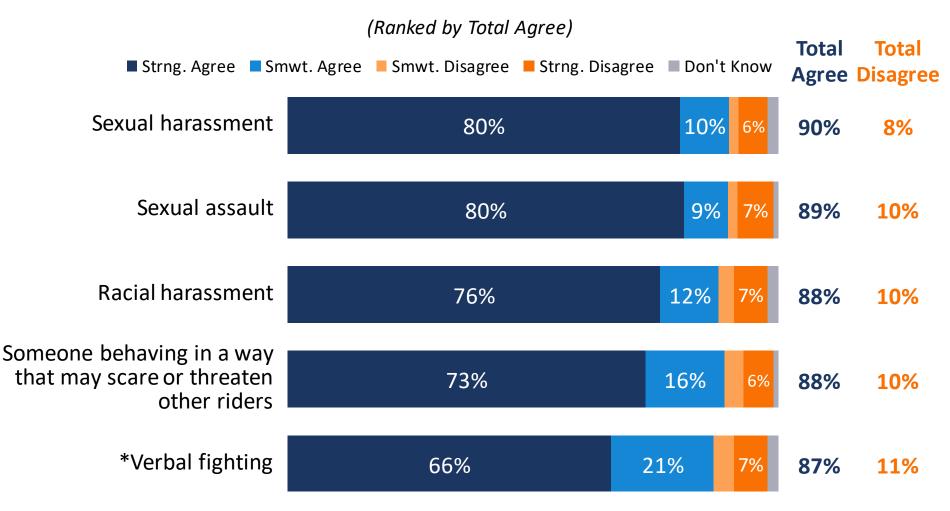
INFRASTRUCTURE CHANGES: There is nearly unanimous support for more lighting and emergency call buttons at bus stops and rail stations.





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Riders envision broad roles for Transit Ambassadors, including addressing challenging situations such as sexual assaults and threatening behavior.

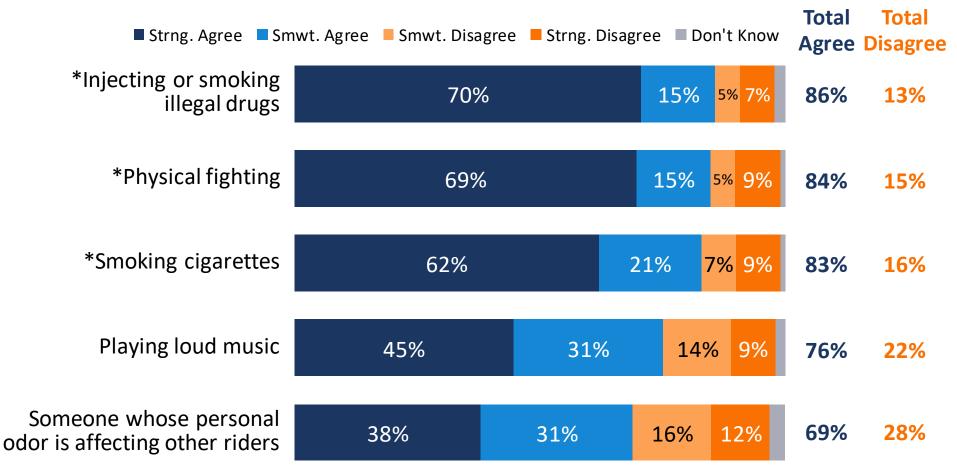




Q13. I am now going to mention a series of situations that METRO Transit Ambassadors may come across. Please tell me if you (strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree) (strongly disagree, somewhat disagree, somewhat agree or strongly agree) that METRO Transit Ambassadors should address the situation if they come across it. *Split Sample

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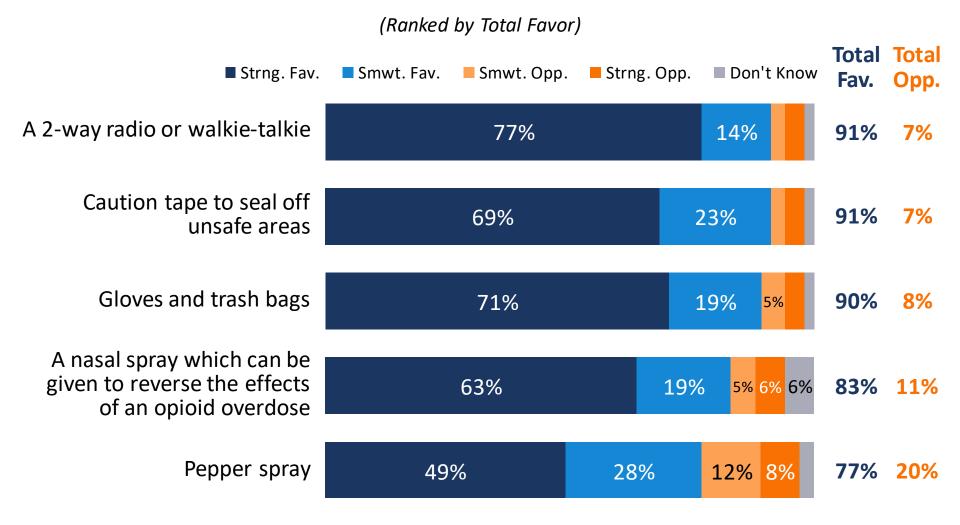






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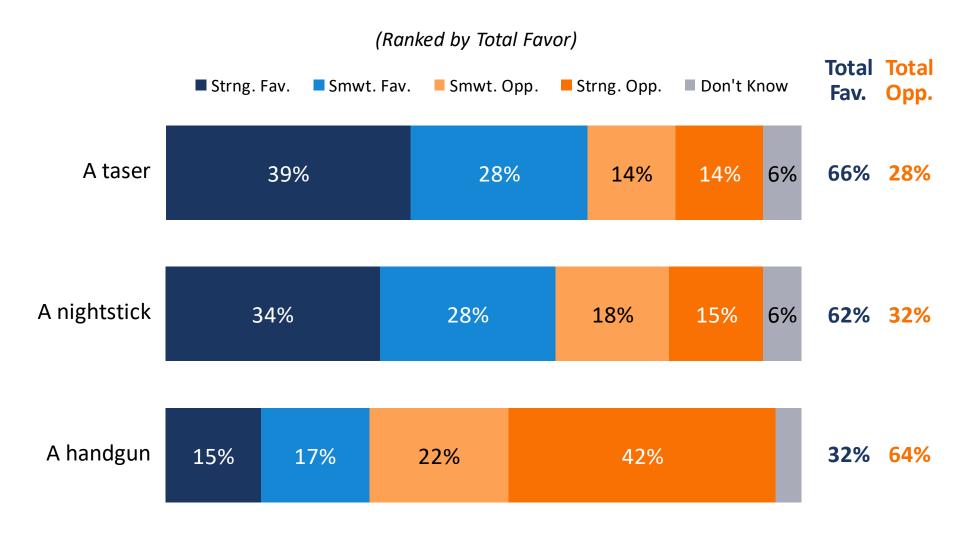
There is widespread support for Transit Ambassadors to have a variety of tools.





Q14c, d, f, g & h. I am going to mention some of the tools that METRO's Transit Ambassadors could be trained on and given. Please tell me if you (strongly favor, somewhat favor, somewhat favor, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose; strongly oppose, somewhat oppose, somewhat favor, or strongly favor) that idea. Split Sample

There is less support for Transit Ambassadors to have weapons, especially handguns.

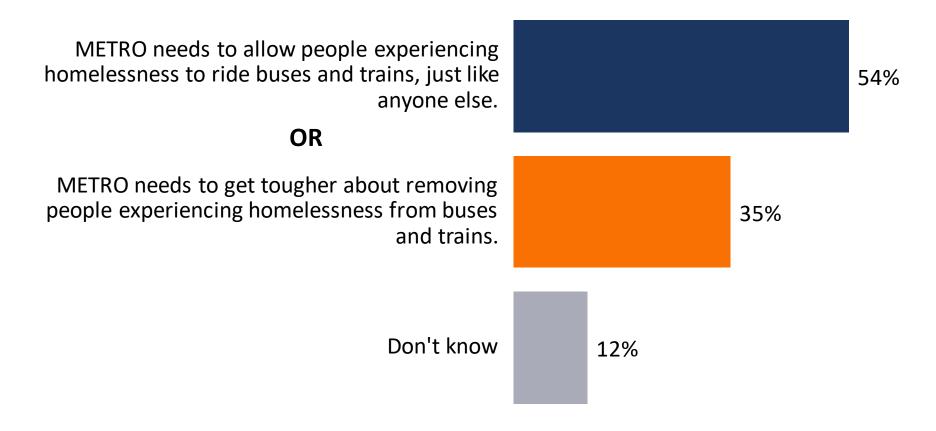




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A slim majority wants METRO to allow people experiencing homelessness to ride just like anyone else, while a third wants METRO to be "tougher" about removing them from buses and trains.

I am now going to mention a pair of statements. Please tell me which statement comes closest to your own opinion, even if neither statement matches your views exactly.







Survey of People Experiencing Homelessness on METRO

Survey Specifics and Methodology

Dates	August 10-September 1, 2021				
Survey Type	Intercept Survey				
Research Population	Metro Customers who Experience Homelessness				
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Total Interviews	Due to qualitative nature of the interviewing methodology, results should be interpreted with caution and do not necessarily reflect population of all METRO riders experiencing homelessness with statistical precision				
Data Collection Mode	요? In-person Intercept 도움 Interviews				
Languages	English & Spanish				



(Note: Not All Results Will Sum to 100% Due to Rounding)

Demographic Profile of Respondents

- 35% identify as Black/African American; 27% Latinx/Hispanic
- 6% interviews conducted in Spanish
- 55% identify as having a disability
- 1% identify as gender non-conforming or non-binary
- 5% ages 18-24; 36% ages 25-34; 56% ages 35-64; 3% ages 65+

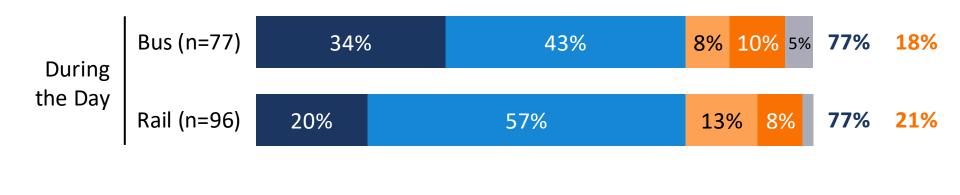


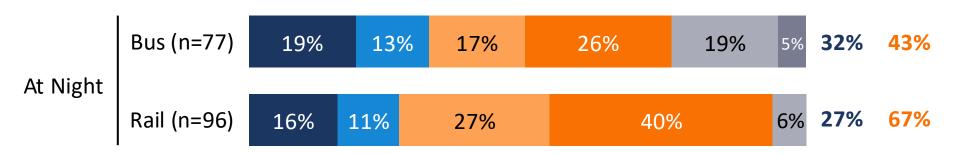
Three-quarters said they feel at least somewhat safe during the day on Bus and Rail, with less than one-third having reported feeling at least somewhat safe riding at night.

(Asked Only of Those Who Ride METRO Bus and/or Rail, respectively)

Total Total

■ Very Safe ■ Smwt. Safe ■ Smwt. Unsafe ■ Very Unsafe ■ Unsure ■ Don't Ride METRO During the Day/Night Safe Unsafe





Q6. While riding on a METRO Bus during the day, do you feel safe or unsafe?

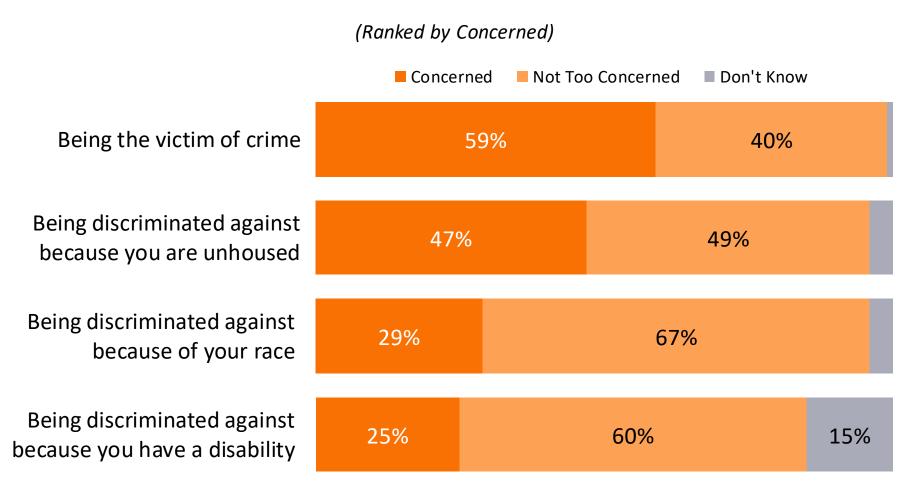
Q7. While riding on a METRO Bus at night, do you feel safe or unsafe?

Q8. While riding on a METRO Rail during the day, do you feel safe or unsafe?

Q9. While riding on a METRO Rail at night, do you feel safe or unsafe?

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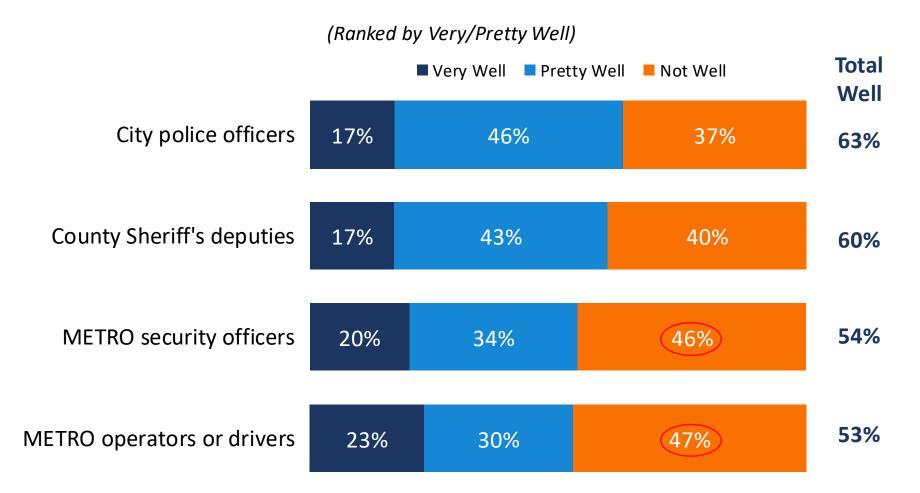
Roughly six-in-ten are concerned about being a victim of a crime on a METRO Bus or Rail or at a METRO station or a stop, and almost half are concerned about being discriminated against because they are unhoused.



Q11. Are you concerned or not too concerned about any of the following things happening to you on a METRO Bus or Rail or at a METRO station or stop?

RESEARCH

Among those who offered an opinion, slightly less than half reported they were not treated well by METRO operators/drivers and security officers; roughly four-in-ten said the same about City police officers and County Sheriff's deputies while riding METRO.





Q12. When riding METRO, how well are you treated by each of the following? Do they treat you very well, pretty well or not well? Table excludes respondents who did not answer question: City police officers (7%); County Sheriff's deputies (11%); METRO sec urity officers (17%); METRO operators or drivers (21%).

High percentages reported that adding restrooms and having Transit Ambassadors and staff who offer assistance to people with disabilities should be more of a priority to improve the safety and environment for METRO's riders.

(Ranked by More of a Priority)

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Adding restrooms to METRO rail stations	82%		<mark>12%</mark> 6%		
*METRO Transit Ambassadors	70%	15%	15%		
Having METRO staff who offer assistance to people with disabilities	70%	199	6 11%		
Social workers and mental health professionals available to offer assistance to riders experiencing homelessness, mental health disabilities, and/or addictions	52%	31%	17%		
Having Local city police officers on METRO	46%	40%	14%		
Having County Sheriff's deputies on METRO	43%	40%	17%		



Q15. I am going to mention some ways that METRO could improve the safety and environment for its riders. Please tell me if you think METRO should make it more of a priority or less of a priority. *Q16. Having heard this description, do you think METRO should make the Transit Ambassador program more or less of a priority? Description provided: The METRO Transit Ambassador Program could include teams of two specially trained members of the community who would be at METRO facilities and on METRO Rail and Buses to offer assistance to METRO riders and to deal with situations that are making riders feel unsafe



Conclusions

Conclusions (Rider Survey)

- 1. Most riders usually feel safe on Metro, except at night and on crowded vehicles.
 - Riders who identify as female or non-binary often feel less safe than those who identify as male.
- 2. Top rider wants include:
 - Lighting and emergency call buttons at stations and bus stops
 - Staff who can assist people with disabilities
 - Social workers and mental health professionals
 - More unarmed security staff
 - Transit Ambassadors
- 3. In addition, over six-in-ten respondents want more law enforcement and armed security on Metro and this support spans all race/ethnicity categories. However, there is a smaller but still sizable number who want fewer.



Conclusions, Continued (Rider Survey)

- 4. Riders want Transit Ambassadors to be able to address challenging situations on board METRO including sexual assaults, harassment and fighting.
- 5. Riders want Transit Ambassadors to have a variety of equipment including non-lethal tools to protect themselves.
- A slim majority wants METRO to allow people experiencing homelessness to ride just like anyone else, while a third wants METRO to be "tougher" about removing them from buses and trains.



Conclusions (Survey of People Experiencing Homelessness)

- 1. A large majority of the respondents to the survey of people experiencing homelessness feel safe riding on the bus or rail during the day, but many feel unsafe riding at night.
- 2. Majorities or close to majorities are concerned about being the victims of crime or being discriminated for being unhoused while riding METRO.
- 3. Slightly less than half reported they were not treated well by METRO operators/drivers and security officers; roughly four-in-ten said the same about City police officers and County Sheriff's deputies while riding Metro.



Conclusions, Continued (Survey of People Experiencing Homelessness)

- 4. Highest priorities for improving safety/environment :
 - Adding restrooms
 - Transit Ambassadors
 - Staff who offer assistance to people with disabilities
- 5. Riders experiencing homelessness were divided on the prioritization of law enforcement to improve safety

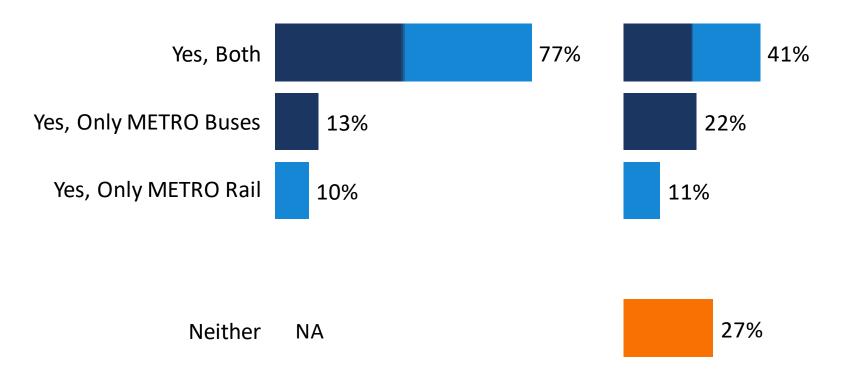




Appendix A - Rider Survey

Most respondents have experience with both bus and rail. 27% have stopped riding.

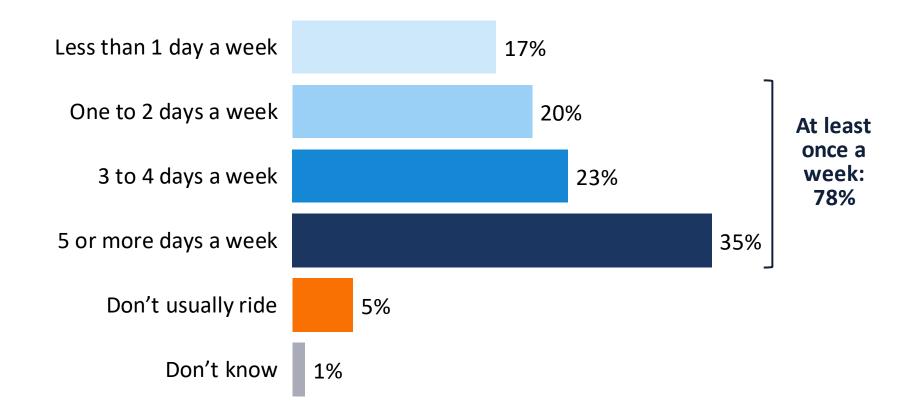
Thinking back over the last 4 years, have you ever ridden METRO Buses, METRO Rail, or both? These days do you usually ride METRO Rail, METRO Buses, both or neither?





Most respondents ride Metro frequently.

How many days a week do you usually ride METRO? (Asked of Those Who Currently Ride METRO Buses or Rail; n=1,509)

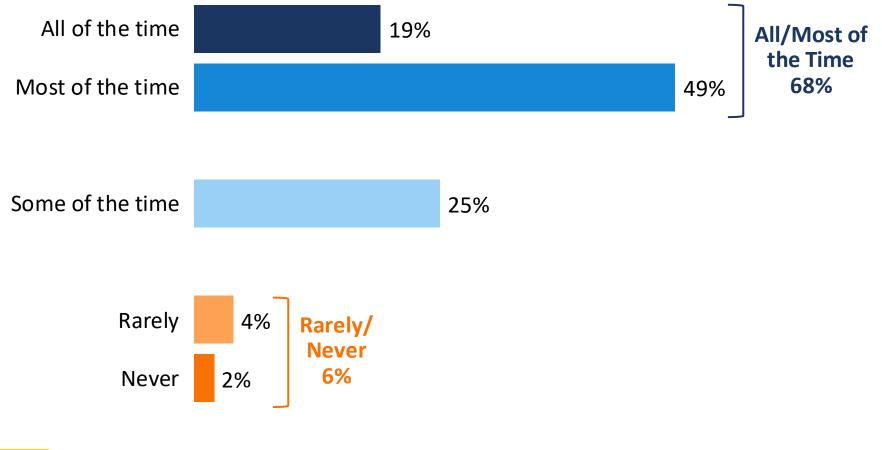






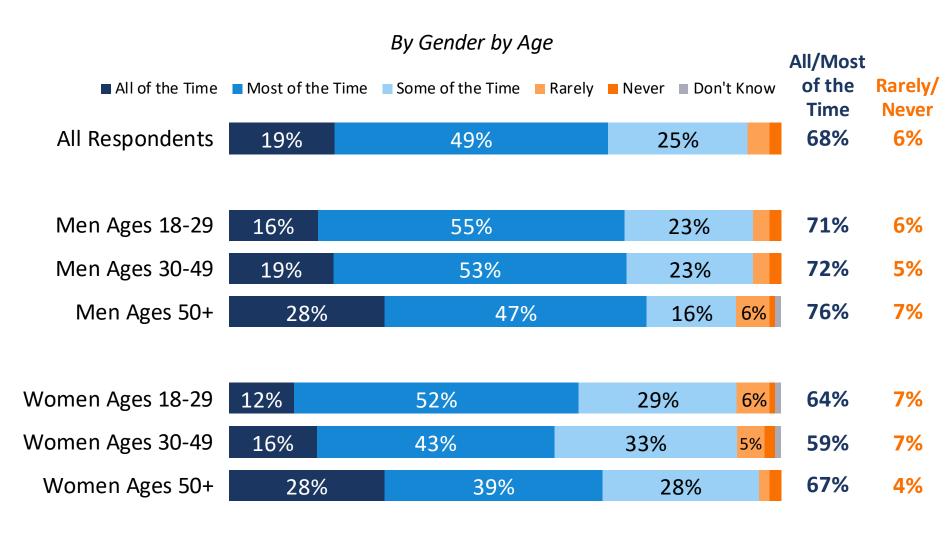
Safety on the METRO System

Nearly 70% of respondents felt safe at least "most of the time" they have recently ridden METRO, but less than one-in-five felt safe all the time.



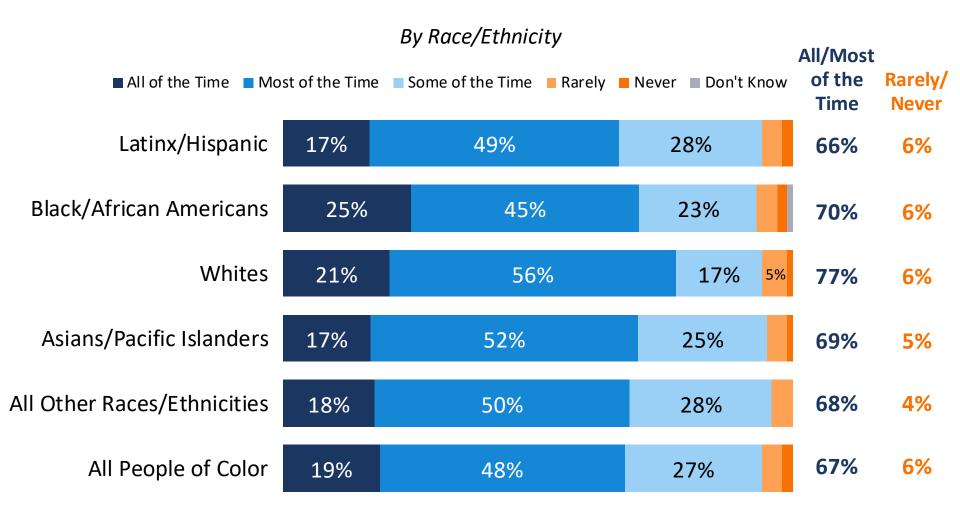


In all age groups women felt less safe than men when riding METRO.



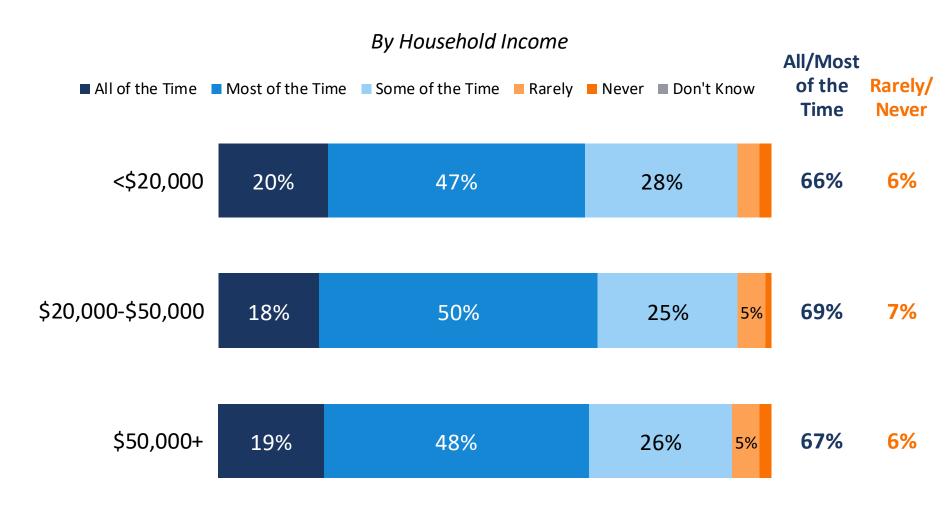


Most riders of all races feel safe on Metro most or all of the time.



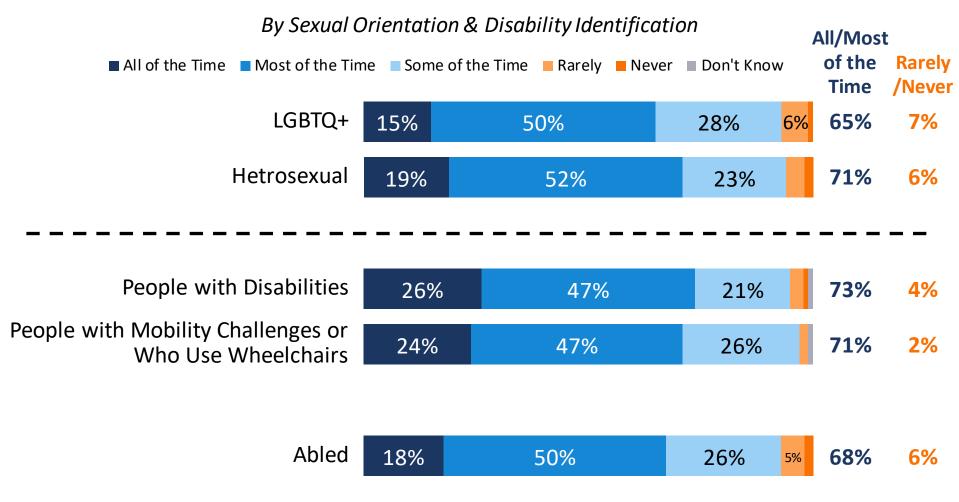


There is no difference in the likelihood of feeling safe by income.





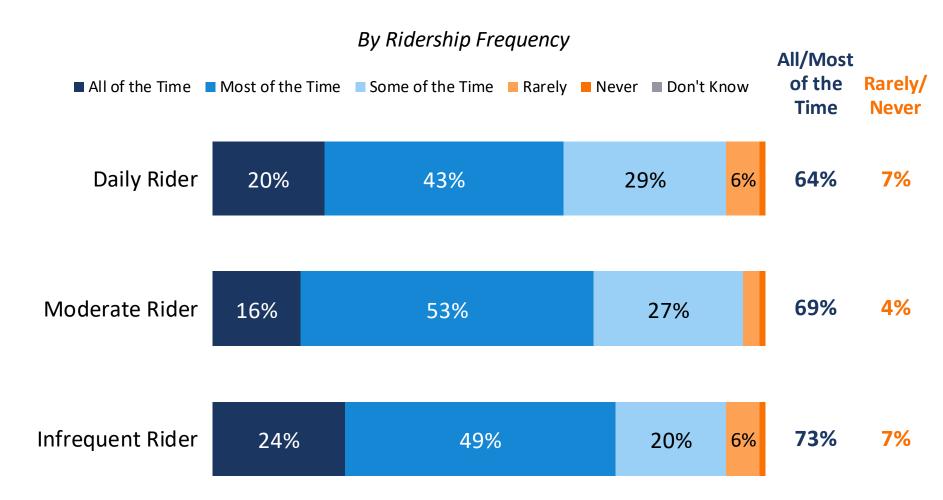
LGBTQ+ felt slightly less safe, and people with disabilities slightly more safe, than other respondents.





Q7. In general, when thinking about the most recent times you have ridden METRO, would you say you felt safe all of the time, most of the time, some of the time, rarely or never? *Subset of the respondents who identified as having a disability

Frequent riders tend to feel a little less safe on Metro?





Examples of Improvements from Respondents

"More security on the platform and a way to report suspicious activity in the rails."

"Presence of staff - not

police - to clean and

assist customers."

"More frequent cleaning throughout day. I've frequently seen urine on the floor." "Increase security officers. One time a fight broke out in the Expo line car, but no one did anything about it."

"I feel safe for the most part. Sometimes other passengers can be scary, but I don't think much can be done about it." "Drivers being more active and disciplinary when unsafe riders are aboard harassing other riders."

"Control homeless people who ride without a specific destination." "A system of alerting security or staff about impending danger, i.e. button or app"

"Cameras, security and actual consequences to the people who don't follow Metro rules and policy." "Have a camera in the middle and back of the bus."



ASSISTANCE STAFF: There is support for staff who can help customers in a variety of ways, including Transit Ambassadors (without a description) and social workers.

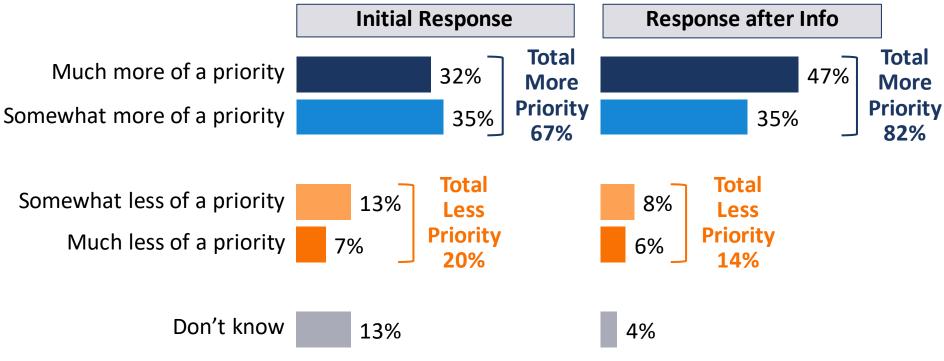
(Ranked by Total More of a Priority)

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Having METRO staff who offer assistance to people with disabilities	55	5%	34%	5%	89%	7%
^Social workers and mental health professionals available to offer assistance to riders experiencing homelessness, mental health disabilities, and/or addictions	(51%	24%	<mark>5%</mark> 5% 5%	85%	10%
^METRO staff who help customers plan their trip and purchase fares	33%	38%	15%	8% 6%	71%	23%
^Having METRO Transit Ambassadors on METRO	32%	35%	13% 7	% 13%	67%	20%

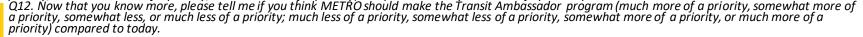


After a brief description, there was a sizeable increase in the percentage of respondents who believe Transit Ambassadors should be more of a priority.

I would now like to tell you a little more about a new program being considered called the METRO Transit Ambassador Program. This METRO program could include teams of 2 specially trained members of the community who would be at METRO facilities and on METRO Rail and Buses to offer assistance to METRO riders and to deal with situations that are making riders feel unsafe.



Q11m. I am going to mention some ways that METRO could improve the safety and environment for its riders. Please tell me if you think METRO should make it (much more of a priority, somewhat more of a priority, somewhat less of a priority or much less of a priority; much less of a priority, somewhat less of a priority, somewhat more of a priority, somewhat less of a priority, somewhat more of a priority, somewhat less of a priority, somewhat to today. Not Part of Split Sample Q12. Now that you know more, please tell me if you think METRO should make the Transit Ambassador program (much more of a priority, somewhat more of Q12. Now that you know more, please tell me if you think METRO should make the Transit Ambassador program (much more of a priority, somewhat more of Q12. Now that you know more, please tell me if you think METRO should make the Transit Ambassador program (much more of a priority, somewhat more of Q12. Now that you know more, please tell me if you think METRO should make the Transit Ambassador program (much more of a priority, somewhat more of Q12. Now that you know more, please tell me if you think METRO should make the Transit Ambassador program (much more of a priority, somewhat more of Q12. Now that you know more, please tell me if you think METRO should make the Transit Ambassador program (much more of a priority, somewhat more of Q12. Now that you know more, please tell me if you think METRO should make the Transit Ambassador program (much more of a priority, somewhat more of Q12. Now that you know more, please tell me if you think METRO should make the Transit Ambassador program (much more of a priority, somewhat more of Q12. Now that you know more, please tell me if you think metro you way the place tell me if you think metro you way the place tell way the place t



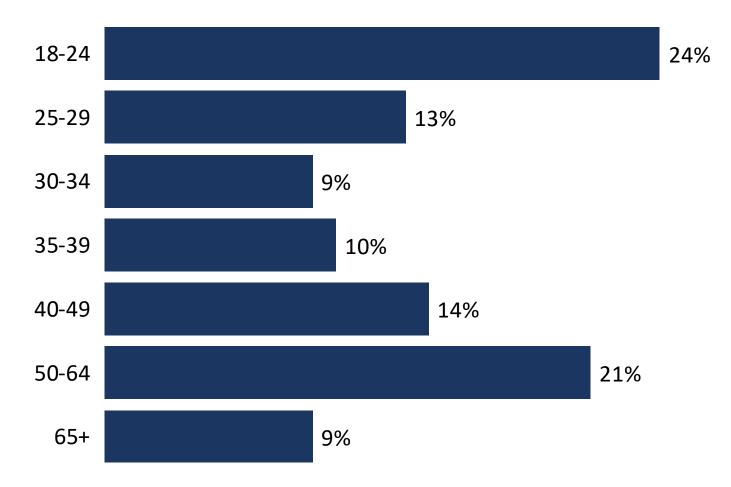
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Respondent Demographics

The majority of respondents are under age 40.

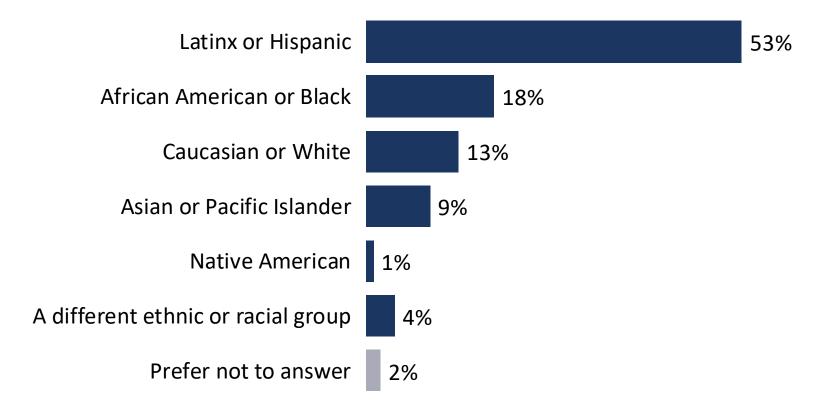
To make sure everyone is represented please tell me your age.





71% of respondents are Latinx/Hispanic or Black/African American

Just to make sure everyone is represented, which of the following categories best describes the ethnic or racial group with which you identify yourself?





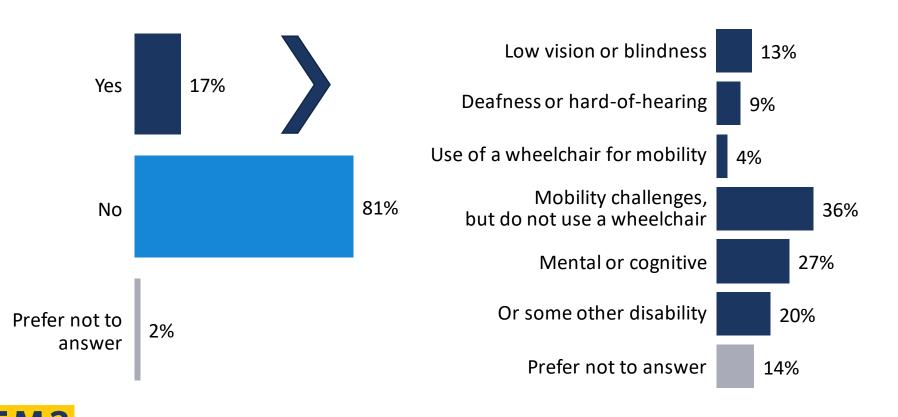
17% of respondents identify as a person with a disability.

Do you identify as a person with a disability?

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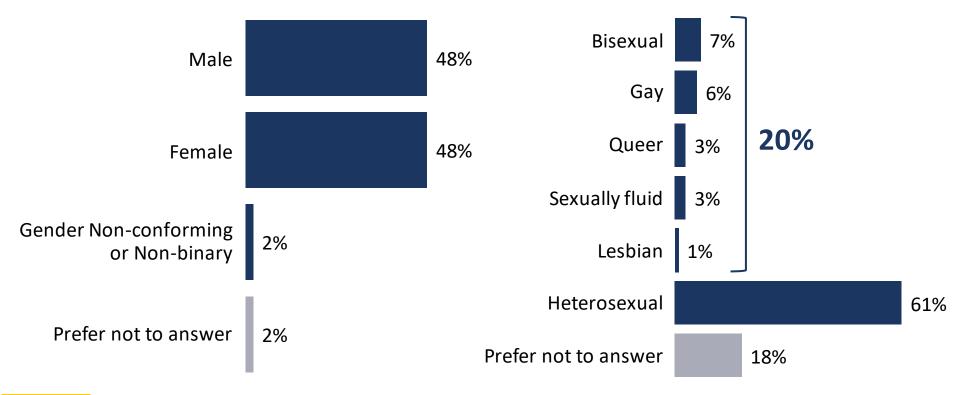
Please tell me which of the following disabilities you have? (Asked of Those Who Identify as a Person with a Disability; n=343)



Two percent identify as non-binary and 20% identify as not heterosexual.

To make sure everyone is represented, what is your gender identity? Are you male, female, or gender non-conforming or non-binary?

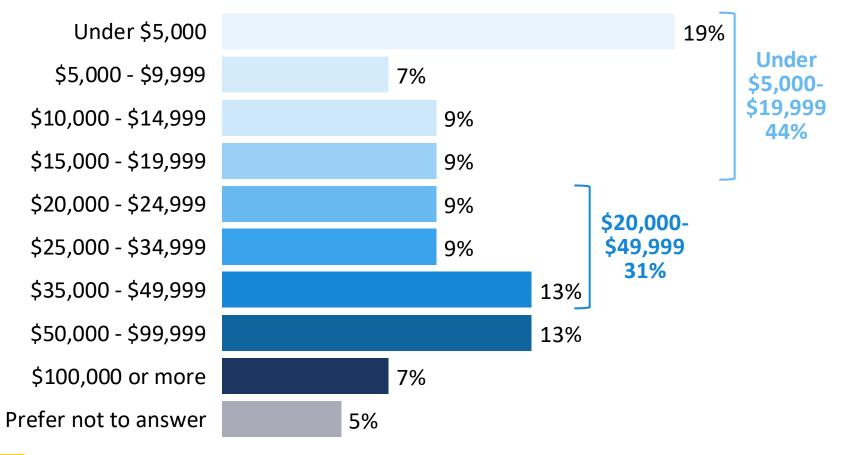
Do you identify yourself as: Bisexual, Gay, Heterosexual, Lesbian, Queer, or Sexually fluid?





Nearly half of respondents have household incomes under \$20,000.

Just to ensure that we include a wide mix of people in this survey, please stop me when I read the range that includes your household's total annual income before taxes in 2020:







Definition of Safety

Definition of Safety by Gender by Age

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		Gender by Age							
Statement	All		Men		Women				
	Resp.	Ages 18-29	Ages 30-49	Ages 50+	Ages 18-29	Ages 30-49	Ages 50+		
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from crime	95%	95%	96%	96%	94%	96%	96%		
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from harassment	91%	88%	89%	95%	93%	93%	90%		
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from falling on a moving train or bus	84%	91%	82%	77%	90%	84%	82%		
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from being profiled or discriminated against by police	80%	82%	74%	69%	92%	82%	73%		

(Total Agree)



Q9. Please indicate if you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.

Definition of Safety by Race/Ethnicity

(Total Agree)

	All	Race/Ethnicity								
Statement	Resp.	Latinx/ Hispanics	Black/ African Americans	Whites		All Other Race/ Ethnicities	All People of Color			
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from crime	95%	94%	95%	94%	96%	99%	95%			
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from harassment	91%	90%	90%	94%	96%	99%	91%			
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from falling on a moving train or bus	84%	87%	88%	70%	85%	83%	87%			
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from being profiled or discriminated against by police	80%	82%	85%	63%	82%	84%	82%			

Q9. Please indicate if you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.

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Definition of Safety by Race/Ethnicity by Age

(Total Agree)

		Race/Ethnicity by Age							
Statement	All Resp.	Latinx/ Hispanics		Black/ African Americans		Whites			
		Ages 18-39	Ages 40+	Ages 18-39	Ages 40+	Ages 18-39	Ages 40+		
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from crime	95%	95%	94%	95%	95%	90%	96%		
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from harassment	91%	90%	90%	91%	89%	92%	95%		
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from falling on a moving train or bus	84%	90%	81%	88%	87%	70%	71%		
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from being profiled or discriminated against by police	80%	85%	75%	92%	80%	75%	56%		



Q9. Please indicate if you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.

Definition of Safety by Income

(Total Agree)

Statement	All	Household Income				
Statement	Respondents	<\$20,000	\$20,000-\$50,000	\$50,000+		
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from crime	95%	95%	94%	94%		
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from harassment	91%	89%	93%	91%		
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from falling on a moving train or bus	84%	88%	86%	87%		
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from being profiled or discriminated against by police	80%	84%	78%	81%		

Q9. Please indicate if you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.

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Definition of Safety by Sexual Orientation and Disability Identification

		Sexual	Orientation	Disability			
Statement	All Resp.	LGBTQ+	Hetrosexual	Abled	People with Disabilities	People with Mobility Challenges or Who Use Wheelchairs	
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from crime	95%	94%	95%	95%	94%	99%	
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from harassment	91%	91%	93%	92%	90%	92%	
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from falling on a moving train or bus	84%	85%	84%	84%	89%	88%	
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from being profiled or discriminated against by police	80%	82%	78%	80%	76%	76%	

(Total Agree)



Q9. Please indicate if you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.

Definition of Safety by Ridership Frequency

(Total Agree)

	All	Ridership Frequency				
Statement	Respondents	Daily Rider	Moderate Rider	Infrequent Rider		
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from crime	95%	94%	93%	96%		
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from harassment	91%	92%	90%	92%		
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from falling on a moving train or bus	84%	90%	86%	83%		
For me, safety on Metro means being safe from being profiled or discriminated against by police	80%	83%	82%	81%		

Q9. Please indicate if you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.

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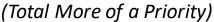
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Ways to Improve Safety

Security Personnel Prioritization by Frequency of Feeling Safe on METRO

(Total More of a Priority)									
	All	Feel Safe							
Security Personnel Priorities	Resp.	All the Time	Most of the Time	Some of the Time	Rarely/ Never				
Having unarmed security staff on METRO	76%	70%	77%	80%	74%				
^Having Local city police officers on METRO	68%	67%	64%	74%	79%				
Having armed security staff on METRO	66%	59%	62%	71%	90%				
^Having County Sheriff's deputies on METRO	62%	59%	58%	69%	80%				





Security Personnel Prioritization by Gender by Age

(Total More of a Priority)

		Gender by Age							
Security Personnel Priorities	All Resp.		Men		,	Women			
	resp.	Ages 18-29	Ages 30-49	Ages 50+	Ages 18-29	Ages 30-49	Ages 50+		
Having unarmed security staff on METRO	76%	69%	79%	77%	77%	79%	79%		
^Having Local city police officers on METRO	68%	65%	67%	79%	55%	72%	80%		
Having armed security staff on METRO	66%	61%	64%	70%	52%	74%	81%		
^Having County Sheriff's deputies on METRO	62%	58%	61%	73%	53%	66%	74%		



Security Personnel Prioritization by Race/Ethnicity by Age

(Total More of a Priority)

			Rac	e/Ethni	city by <i>i</i>	Age	
Security Personnel Priorities	All Resp.			Black/ African Americans		Whites	
		Ages 18-39	Ages 40+	Ages 18-39	Ages 40+	Ages 18-39	Ages 40+
Having unarmed security staff on METRO	76%	74%	80%	80%	76%	70%	79%
^Having Local city police officers on METRO	68%	65%	79%	60%	76%	37%	74%
Having armed security staff on METRO	66%	64%	74%	54%	77%	45%	70%
^Having County Sheriff's deputies on METRO	62%	62%	70%	51%	74%	33%	70%



Security Personnel Prioritization by Income

(Total More of a Priority)

	All	Household Income				
Security Personnel Priorities	Respondents	<\$20,000	\$20,000-\$50,000	\$50,000+		
Having unarmed security staff on METRO	76%	73%	78%	75%		
^Having Local city police officers on METRO	68%	69%	68%	69%		
Having armed security staff on METRO	66%	70%	65%	68%		
^Having County Sheriff's deputies on METRO	62%	63%	63%	63%		



Security Personnel Prioritization by Sexual Orientation and Disability Identification

(Total More of a Priority)

Security Personnel	All	Sexual (Orientation		Disa	ability
Priorities	Resp.	LGBTQ+	Hetrosexual	Abled	People with Disabilities	People with Mobility Challenges or Who Use Wheelchairs
Having unarmed security staff on METRO	76%	81%	76%	79%	62%	58%
^Having Local city police officers on METRO	68%	54%	71%	68%	68%	71%
Having armed security staff on METRO	66%	54%	67%	64%	73%	77%
^Having County Sheriff's deputies on METRO	62%	51%	64%	62%	64%	66%



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Security Personnel Prioritization by Ridership Frequency

(Total More	e of a Pr	iority)
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	All	Ridership Frequency				
Security Personnel Priorities	Respondents	Daily Rider	Moderate Rider	Infrequent Rider		
Having unarmed security staff on METRO	76%	78%	72%	74%		
^Having Local city police officers on METRO	68%	76%	67%	65%		
Having armed security staff on METRO	66%	75%	68%	55%		
^Having County Sheriff's deputies on METRO	62%	69%	63%	58%		



Assistance Personnel Prioritization by Frequency of Feeling Safe on METRO

(Total Mara of a Driority)

	All	Feel Safe					
Assistance Personnel Priorities	Resp.	All the Time	Most of the Time	Some of the Time	Rarely/ Never		
Having METRO staff who offer assistance to people with disabilities	89%	89%	90%	91%	71%		
^Social workers and mental health professionals available to offer assistance to riders experiencing homelessness, mental health disabilities, and/or addictions	85%	81%	85%	88%	81%		
^(After Description) Having METRO Transit Ambassadors on METRO	82%	83%	81%	85%	75%		
^METRO staff who help customers plan their trip and purchase fares	71%	77%	71%	70%	60%		



Assistance Personnel Prioritization by Gender by Age

(Total More of a Priority)

Assistance Personnel Priorities		Gender by Age					
	All Resp.	Men			Women		
		Ages 18-29	Ages 30-49	Ages 50+	Ages 18-29	Ages 30-49	Ages 50+
Having METRO staff who offer assistance to people with disabilities	89%	91%	91%	84%	95%	88%	84%
^Social workers and mental health professionals available to offer assistance to riders experiencing homelessness, mental health disabilities, and/or addictions	85%	86%	88%	83%	91%	83%	77%
^(After Description) Having METRO Transit Ambassadors on METRO	82%	82%	78%	80%	87%	82%	84%
^METRO staff who help customers plan their trip and purchase fares	71%	69%	66%	73%	71%	75%	73%



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Assistance Personnel Prioritization by Race/Ethnicity

(Total More of a Priority)

		Race/Ethnicity						
Assistance Personnel Priorities		Latinx/ Hispanics	Black/ African Americans	Whites	Asians/ Pacific Islanders	All Other Race/ Ethnicities	All People of Color	
Having METRO staff who offer assistance to people with disabilities	89%	91%	90%	82%	83%	92%	90%	
^Social workers and mental health professionals available to offer assistance to riders experiencing homelessness, mental health disabilities, and/or addictions	85%	84%	88%	85%	83%	92%	85%	
^(After Description) Having METRO Transit Ambassadors on METRO	82%	83%	82%	82%	78%	81%	82%	
^METRO staff who help customers plan their trip and purchase fares	71%	72%	73%	68%	67%	79%	72%	



Assistance Personnel Prioritization by Income

(Total More of a Priority)

Assistance Deveopmel Drievities	All	Household Income				
Assistance Personnel Priorities	Respondents	<\$20,000	\$20,000-\$50,000	\$50,000+		
Having METRO staff who offer assistance to people with disabilities	89%	91%	88%	90%		
^Social workers and mental health professionals available to offer assistance to riders experiencing homelessness, mental health disabilities, and/or addictions	85%	83%	87%	85%		
^(After Description) Having METRO Transit Ambassadors on METRO	82%	83%	80%	82%		
^METRO staff who help customers plan their trip and purchase fares	71%	74%	70%	72%		



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Assistance Personnel Prioritization by Sexual Orientation and Disability Identification

(Total More of a Priority)

Assistance Personnel	All	Sexual All Orientation			Dis	ability
Priorities	Resp.	LGBTQ+	Hetro- sexual	Abled	People with Disabilities	People with Mobility Challenges or Who Use Wheelchairs
Having METRO staff who offer assistance to people with disabilities	89%	92%	88%	89%	88%	89%
^Social workers and mental health professionals available to offer assistance to riders experiencing homelessness, mental health disabilities, and/or addictions	85%	92%	84%	86%	81%	75%
^(After Description) Having METRO Transit Ambassadors on METRO	82%	84%	82%	82%	83%	84%
^METRO staff who help customers plan their trip and purchase fares	71%	73%	70%	70%	74%	73%

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Assistance Personnel Prioritization by Ridership Frequency

(Total More of a Priority)

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Assistance Personnel Priorities	Respondents	Daily Rider	Moderate Rider	Infrequent Rider		
Having METRO staff who offer assistance to people with disabilities	89%	88%	91%	85%		
^Social workers and mental health professionals available to offer assistance to riders experiencing homelessness, mental health disabilities, and/or addictions	85%	81%	87%	85%		
^(After Description) Having METRO Transit Ambassadors on METRO	82%	81%	85%	79%		
^METRO staff who help customers plan their trip and purchase fares	71%	72%	73%	71%		



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Assistance Personnel Prioritization by Race/Ethnicity by Age

(Total More of a Priority)

			Rac	e/Ethni	city by	Age	
Assistance Personnel Priorities	All Resp.		inx/ anics	Bla Afri Amer	can	Wh	ites
		Ages 18-39	Ages 40+	Ages 18-39	Ages 40+	Ages 18-39	Ages 40+
Having METRO staff who offer assistance to people with disabilities	89%	93%	87%	92%	90%	83%	82%
^Social workers and mental health professionals available to offer assistance to riders experiencing homelessness, mental health disabilities, and/or addictions	85%	88%	76%	90%	87%	91%	82%
^(After Description) Having METRO Transit Ambassadors on METRO	82%	84%	80%	81%	83%	82%	82%
^METRO staff who help customers plan their trip and purchase fares	71%	71%	74%	76%	71%	67%	69%



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Infrastructure Changes Prioritization by Gender by Age

(Total More of a Priority)

		Gender by Age						
Infrastructure Changes Priorities	All		Men		Women			
	Resp.	Ages 18-29	Ages 30-49	Ages 50+	Ages 18-29	Ages 30-49	Ages 50+	
More lighting at METRO stations and bus stops	92%	92%	90%	86%	95%	96%	95%	
Emergency call buttons at METRO stations and bus stops	92%	94%	87%	87%	97%	92%	95%	
Making stations and bus stops easier to navigate for people with wheelchairs, walkers and other mobility devices	85%	86%	79%	80%	93%	89%	85%	
Adding restrooms to METRO rail stations	72%	69%	72%	81%	79%	63%	63%	
Attracting more people around METRO stations with cafes, music and other activities	68%	73%	75%	64%	62%	73%	62%	



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Infrastructure Changes Prioritization by Race/Ethnicity

(Total More of a Priority)

				Race/	Ethnicity		
Infrastructure Changes Priorities	All Resp.	Latinx/ Hispanics	Black/ African Americans	Whites	Asians/ Pacific Islanders	All Other Race/ Ethnicities	All People of Color
More lighting at METRO stations and bus stops	92%	92%	94%	85%	92%	98%	93%
Emergency call buttons at METRO stations and bus stops	92%	94%	93%	84%	92%	85%	93%
Making stations and bus stops easier to navigate for people with wheelchairs, walkers and other mobility devices	85%	86%	90%	73%	87%	94%	87%
Adding restrooms to METRO rail stations	72%	70%	80%	69%	69%	72%	72%
Attracting more people around METRO stations with cafes, music and other activities	68%	65%	67%	72%	78%	80%	68%



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Infrastructure Changes Prioritization by Income

(Total More of a Priority)

Infrastructure Changes Priorities	All	Household Income				
	Respondents	<\$20,000	\$20,000-\$50,000	\$50,000+		
More lighting at METRO stations and bus stops	92%	91%	94%	92%		
Emergency call buttons at METRO stations and bus stops	92%	92%	94%	93%		
Making stations and bus stops easier to navigate for people with wheelchairs, walkers and other mobility devices	85%	85%	89%	87%		
Adding restrooms to METRO rail stations	72%	77%	71%	74%		
Attracting more people around METRO stations with cafes, music and other activities	68%	65%	71%	67%		



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Infrastructure Changes Prioritization by Sexual Orientation and Disability Identification

(Total More of a Priority)

		Sexual	Orientation		Dis	ability
Infrastructure Changes Priorities	All Resp.	LGBTQ+	Hetrosexual	Abled	People with Disabilities	People with Mobility Challenges or Who Use Wheelchairs
More lighting at METRO stations and bus stops	92%	96%	90%	92%	90%	78%
Emergency call buttons at METRO stations and bus stops	92%	96%	91%	92%	92%	93%
Making stations and bus stops easier to navigate for people with wheelchairs, walkers and other mobility devices	85%	91%	83%	86%	83%	79%
Adding restrooms to METRO rail stations	72%	78%	71%	69%	85%	79%
Attracting more people around METRO stations with cafes, music and other activities	68%	69%	72%	67%	71%	71%



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Infrastructure Changes Prioritization by Ridership Frequency

(Total More of a Priority)

Infrastructure Changes Priorities	All	Ridership Frequency				
Infrastructure Changes Priorities	Respondents	Daily Rider	Moderate Rider	Infrequent Rider		
More lighting at METRO stations and bus stops	92%	89%	94%	91%		
Emergency call buttons at METRO stations and bus stops	92%	91%	92%	93%		
Making stations and bus stops easier to navigate for people with wheelchairs, walkers and other mobility devices	85%	84%	85%	87%		
Adding restrooms to METRO rail stations	72%	76%	75%	68%		
Attracting more people around METRO stations with cafes, music and other activities	68%	62%	69%	77%		



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Infrastructure Changes Prioritization by Frequency of Feeling Safe on METRO

(Total More of a Priority)

	All		Feel	Safe	
Infrastructure Changes Priorities	Resp.	All the Time	Most of the Time	Some of the Time	Rarely/ Never
More lighting at METRO stations and bus stops	92%	90%	91%	94%	89%
Emergency call buttons at METRO stations and bus stops	92%	84%	96%	92%	89%
Making stations and bus stops easier to navigate for people with wheelchairs, walkers and other mobility devices	85%	88%	85%	84%	82%
Adding restrooms to METRO rail stations	72%	77%	74%	65%	58%
Attracting more people around METRO stations with cafes, music and other activities	68%	66%	71%	67%	56%



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Infrastructure Changes Prioritization by Race/Ethnicity by Age

(Total More of a Priority)

			Rac	e/Ethni	city by	Age	
Infrastructure Changes Priorities	All Resp.	Latinx/ Hispanics		Black/ African Americans		Whites	
		Ages 18-39	Ages 40+	Ages 18-39	Ages 40+	Ages 18-39	Ages 40+
More lighting at METRO stations and bus stops	92%	94%	88%	96%	93%	87%	84%
Emergency call buttons at METRO stations and bus stops	92%	94%	95%	96%	91%	79%	87%
Making stations and bus stops easier to navigate for people with wheelchairs, walkers and other mobility devices	85%	88%	81%	93%	89%	71%	74%
Adding restrooms to METRO rail stations	72%	72%	66%	89%	75%	66%	71%
Attracting more people around METRO stations with cafes, music and other activities	68%	70%	56%	63%	69%	73%	72%



Q11e, f, g, j & k. I am going to mention some ways that METRO could improve the safety and environment for its riders. Please tell me if you think METRO should make it (much more of a priority, somewhat more of a priority, somewhat less of a priority or much less of a priority; much less of a priority, somewhat less of a priority, somewhat more of a priority) compared to today. Split Sample



Transit Ambassadors

Situations Transit Ambassadors Should Address by Gender by Age

		Gender by Age					
Situation	All Respondents		Men		Women		
	1	Ages 18-29	Ages 30-49	Ages 50+	Ages 18-29	Ages 30-49	Ages 50+
Sexual harassment	90%	93%	88%	87%	95%	90%	88%
Sexual assault	89%	91%	86%	86%	95%	89%	89%
Racial harassment	88%	88%	92%	82%	94%	90%	84%
Someone behaving in a way that may scare or threaten other riders	88%	92%	85%	87%	91%	91%	87%
*Verbal fighting	87%	87%	85%	86%	93%	84%	89%





Situations Transit Ambassadors Should Address by Gender by Age, Continued

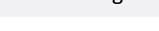
		Gender by Age						
Situation			Men		Women			
		Ages 18-29	Ages 30-49	Ages 50+	Ages 18-29	Ages 30-49	Ages 50+	
*Injecting or smoking illegal drugs	86%	86%	84%	86%	85%	87%	88%	
*Physical fighting	84%	89%	83%	85%	86%	86%	81%	
*Smoking cigarettes	83%	88%	83%	87%	79%	81%	86%	
Playing loud music	76%	75%	75%	86%	70%	75%	85%	
Someone whose personal odor is affecting other riders	69%	70%	69%	78%	59%	70%	76%	

(Total Agree)



Situations Transit Ambassadors Should Address by Race/Ethnicity

(Total Agree)									
	• U	Race/Ethnicity							
Situation	All Resp.	Resp. Latinx/ Hispanics A	Black/ African Americans	Whites	Asians/ Pacific Islanders	All Other Race/ Ethnicities	All People of Color		
Sexual harassment	90%	89%	89%	94%	89%	94%	90%		
Sexual assault	89%	88%	89%	91%	88%	96%	89%		
Racial harassment	88%	87%	89%	91%	88%	90%	88%		
Someone behaving in a way that may scare or threaten other riders	88%	88%	86%	92%	90%	90%	88%		
*Verbal fighting	87%	86%	86%	90%	90%	96%	87%		



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Situations Transit Ambassadors Should Address by Race/Ethnicity, Continued

(Total Agree)							
	All			Race/	Ethnicity		
Situation	Resp. Latinx/	Black/ African Americans	Whites	Asians/ Pacific Islanders	All Other Race/ Ethnicities	All People of Color	
*Injecting or smoking illegal drugs	86%	85%	87%	86%	86%	83%	85%
*Physical fighting	84%	82%	86%	89%	87%	74%	83%
*Smoking cigarettes	83%	83%	82%	87%	82%	82%	82%
Playing loud music	76%	72%	81%	80%	80%	80%	76%
Someone whose personal odor is affecting other riders	69%	67%	76%	66%	70%	63%	69%





Situations Transit Ambassadors Should Address by Income

(Total Agree)

Situation	All		Household Income			
	Respondents	<\$20,000	\$20,000-\$50,000	\$50,000+		
Sexual harassment	90%	88%	92%	89%		
Sexual assault	89%	87%	89%	88%		
Racial harassment	88%	87%	88%	87%		
Someone behaving in a way that may scare or threaten other riders	88%	87%	88%	87%		
*Verbal fighting	87%	86%	86%	86%		



Situations Transit Ambassadors Should Address by Income, Continued

(Total Agree)

Situation	All	Household Income				
	Respondents	<\$20,000	\$20,000-\$50,000	\$50,000+		
*Injecting or smoking illegal drugs	86%	84%	85%	85%		
*Physical fighting	84%	82%	86%	84%		
*Smoking cigarettes	83%	80%	86%	83%		
Playing loud music	76%	75%	76%	75%		
Someone whose personal odor is affecting other riders	69%	71%	69%	70%		



Situations Transit Ambassadors Should Address by Sexual Orientation and Disability Identification

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	All	Sexual Orientation		Disability				
Situation	Resp.	LGBTQ+	Hetrosexual	Abled	People with Disabilities	People with Mobility Challenges or Who Use Wheelchairs		
Sexual harassment	90%	91%	92%	91%	85%	83%		
Sexual assault	89%	91%	90%	90%	84%	81%		
Racial harassment	88%	91%	89%	89%	83%	80%		
Someone behaving in a way that may scare or threaten other riders	88%	88%	90%	89%	82%	82%		
*Verbal fighting	87%	86%	90%	88%	82%	81%		

(Total Agree)



Situations Transit Ambassadors Should Address by Sexual Orientation and Disability Identification, Continued

		Sexual (Orientation		Dis	ability
Situation	All Resp.	LGBTQ+	Hetrosexual	Abled	People with Disabilities	People with Mobility Challenges or Who Use Wheelchairs
*Injecting or smoking illegal drugs	86%	82%	89%	87%	83%	84%
*Physical fighting	84%	84%	85%	86%	76%	78%
*Smoking cigarettes	83%	84%	85%	84%	80%	82%
Playing loud music	76%	71%	80%	76%	77%	80%
Someone whose personal odor is affecting other riders	69%	64%	71%	69%	71%	68%

(Total Agree)



Situations Transit Ambassadors Should Address by Ridership Frequency

(Total Agree)

Cituation	All	Ridership Frequency				
Situation	Respondents	Daily Rider	Moderate Rider	Infrequent Rider		
Sexual harassment	90%	84%	91%	92%		
Sexual assault	89%	84%	89%	89%		
Racial harassment	88%	82%	89%	89%		
Someone behaving in a way that may scare or threaten other riders	88%	85%	88%	87%		
*Verbal fighting	87%	79%	89%	89%		



Situations Transit Ambassadors Should Address by Ridership Frequency, Continued

(Total Agree)

	All	Ridership Frequency				
Situation	Respondents	Daily Rider	Moderate Rider	Infrequent Rider		
*Injecting or smoking illegal drugs	86%	79%	89%	86%		
*Physical fighting	84%	85%	80%	86%		
*Smoking cigarettes	83%	83%	82%	81%		
Playing loud music	76%	73%	76%	74%		
Someone whose personal odor is affecting other riders	69%	70%	72%	65%		



Situations Transit Ambassadors Should Address by Frequency of Feeling Safe on METRO

	All	Feel Safe					
Situation	Respondents	All the Time	Most of the Time	Some of the Time	Rarely/ Never		
Sexual harassment	90%	85%	91%	92%	92%		
Sexual assault	89%	84%	90%	90%	94%		
Racial harassment	88%	84%	89%	90%	87%		
Someone behaving in a way that may scare or threaten other riders	88%	83%	88%	92%	91%		
*Verbal fighting	87%	85%	88%	88%	89%		



Situations Transit Ambassadors Should Address by Frequency of Feeling Safe on METRO, Continued

	All	Feel Safe					
Situation	Respondents	All the Time	Most of the Time	Some of the Time	Rarely/ Never		
*Injecting or smoking illegal drugs	86%	83%	86%	86%	94%		
*Physical fighting	84%	78%	83%	89%	84%		
*Smoking cigarettes	83%	81%	81%	88%	83%		
Playing loud music	76%	76%	75%	77%	80%		
Someone whose personal odor is affecting other riders	69%	68%	67%	72%	76%		

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Situations Transit Ambassadors Should Address by Race/Ethnicity by Age

		Race/Ethnicity by Age						
Situation	All Respondents	Latinx/ Hispanics		Black/ African Americans		Whites		
		Ages 18-39	Ages 40+	Ages 18-39	Ages 40+	Ages 18-39	Ages 40+	
Sexual harassment	90%	93%	83%	88%	89%	95%	93%	
Sexual assault	89%	91%	82%	90%	88%	94%	89%	
Racial harassment	88%	90%	80%	93%	86%	96%	89%	
Someone behaving in a way that may scare or threaten other riders	88%	90%	83%	85%	87%	91%	92%	
*Verbal fighting	87%	87%	83%	81%	89%	89%	90%	

(Total Agree)



Situations Transit Ambassadors Should Address by Race/Ethnicity by Age, Continued

		Race/Ethnicity by Age								
Situation	All Respondents		nx/ anics		ck/ can icans	Wh	ites			
		Ages 18-39	Ages 40+	Ages 18-39	Ages 40+	Ages 18-39	Ages 40+			
*Injecting or smoking illegal drugs	86%	87%	81%	79%	92%	83%	88%			
*Physical fighting	84%	86%	75%	91%	82%	91%	87%			
*Smoking cigarettes	83%	85%	78%	78%	85%	81%	90%			
Playing loud music	76%	71%	76%	69%	89%	63%	88%			
Someone whose personal odor is affecting other riders	69%	66%	71%	69%	81%	50%	75%			

(Total Agree)



Ambassador Tools by Gender by Age

				Gender	by Age		
ΤοοΙ	All		Men		Women		
	Resp.	Ages 18-29	Ages 30-49	Ages 50+	Ages 18-29	Ages 30-49	Ages 50+
A 2-way radio or walkie-talkie	91%	95%	91%	93%	94%	80%	90%
Caution tape to seal off unsafe areas	91%	94%	89%	92%	94%	91%	90%
Gloves and trash bags	90%	95%	88%	89%	94%	82%	87%
A nasal spray which can be given to reverse the effects of an opioid overdose	83%	92%	84%	81%	86%	76%	79%
Pepper spray		82%	69%	79%	82%	77%	81%

(Total Favor)



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Ambassador Tools by Gender by Age, Continued

(Total Favor)

		Gender by Age								
Tool	All				Women					
	Respondents	Ages 18-29	Ages 30-49	Ages 50+	Ages 18-29	Ages 30-49	Ages 50+			
A taser	66%	71%	68%	68%	67%	61%	62%			
A nightstick	62%	74%	58%	66%	60%	54%	57%			
A handgun	32%	33%	26%	41%	26%	38%	35%			

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Ambassador Tools by Race/Ethnicity

(Total Favor)

		Race/Ethnicity								
Tool	All Resp.	Latinx/ Hispanics	Black/ African Americans	Whites		All Other Race/ Ethnicities	All People of Color			
A 2-way radio or walkie-talkie	91%	91%	89%	93%	95%	87%	91%			
Caution tape to seal off unsafe areas	91%	93%	89%	92%	82%	96%	91%			
Gloves and trash bags	90%	92%	84%	88%	93%	78%	90%			
A nasal spray which can be given to reverse the effects of an opioid overdose	83%	85%	78%	86%	76%	74%	82%			
Pepper spray	77%	81%	73%	74%	75%	72%	78%			



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Ambassador Tools by Race/Ethnicity, Continued

Race/Ethnicity All Tool Black/ **All Other** Asians/ Respondents Latinx/ All People African Pacific Whites Race/ of Color **Hispanics Americans Islanders Ethnicities** 71% 62% 57% 62% 71% 68% 66% A taser 70% 51% 50% 70% 32% 64% 62% A nightstick 36% 31% 29% 25% 18% 32% A handgun 32%

(Total Favor)



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Ambassador Tools by Race/Ethnicity by Age

(Total Favor)

Tool		Race/Ethnicity by Age								
		All Resp. Latinx/ Hispanics		Black/ African Americans		Whites				
		Ages 18-39	Ages 40+	Ages 18-39	Ages 40+	Ages 18-39	Ages 40+			
A 2-way radio or walkie-talkie	91%	91%	91%	93%	86%	87%	95%			
Caution tape to seal off unsafe areas		94%	91%	88%	90%	89%	94%			
Gloves and trash bags		92%	93%	93%	78%	82%	92%			
A nasal spray which can be given to reverse the effects of an opioid overdose		87%	81%	76%	79%	93%	83%			
Pepper spray	77%	81%	80%	71%	74%	63%	80%			



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Ambassador Tools by Race/Ethnicity by Age, Continued

		Race/Ethnicity by Age								
Tool	All Respondents		inx/ anics	Bla Afri Amer	can	Wh	ites			
		Ages 18-39	Ages 40+	Ages 18-39	Ages 40+	Ages 18-39	Ages 40+			
A taser	66%	73%	67%	61%	63%	51%	61%			
A nightstick	62%	70%	69%	50%	51%	37%	58%			
A handgun	32%	31%	46%	27%	33%	10%	39%			

(Total Favor)



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Ambassador Tools by Household Income

(Total Favor)

Tool	All	Household Income				
	Respondents	<\$20,000	\$20,000-\$50,000	\$50,000+		
A 2-way radio or walkie-talkie	91%	84%	96%	89%		
Caution tape to seal off unsafe areas	91%	91%	90%	91%		
Gloves and trash bags	90%	87%	91%	89%		
A nasal spray which can be given to reverse the effects of an opioid overdose	83%	80%	84%	82%		
Pepper spray	77%	77%	78%	77%		

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Ambassador Tools by Household Income, Continued

(Total Favor)

Tool	All		Household Income					
	Respondents	<\$20,000	\$20,000-\$50,000	\$50,000+				
A taser	66%	65%	71%	68%				
A nightstick	62%	62%	64%	63%				
A handgun	32%	31%	35%	32%				



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Ambassador Tools by Sexual Orientation and Disability Identification

		Sexual	Orientation		Dis	ability					
Tool	All Resp.	LGBTQ+	Hetrosexual	Abled	People with Disabilities	People with Mobility Challenges or Who Use Wheelchairs					
A 2-way radio or walkie-talkie	91%	95%	91%	92%	88%	94%					
Caution tape to seal off unsafe areas	91%	93%	94%	92%	89%	89%					
Gloves and trash bags	90%	92%	90%	89%	92%	97%					
A nasal spray which can be given to reverse the effects of an opioid overdose	83%	90%	83%	83%	81%	78%					
Pepper spray	77%	73%	81%	78%	77%	82%					

(Total Favor)



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Ambassador Tools by Sexual Orientation and Disability Identification, Continued

		Sexual (Drientation	Disability				
Tool	All Respondents	LGBTQ+	Hetrosexual	Abled	People with Disabilities	People with Mobility Challenges or Who Use Wheelchairs		
A taser	66%	66%	68%	67%	62%	82%		
A nightstick	62%	55%	65%	64%	54%	73%		
A handgun	32%	22%	35%	31%	36%	31%		

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Ambassador Tools by Ridership Frequency

(Total Favor)

Tool	All Respondents	Ridership Frequency		
Tool		Daily Rider	Moderate Rider	Infrequent Rider
A 2-way radio or walkie-talkie	91%	89%	88%	94%
Caution tape to seal off unsafe areas	91%	89%	93%	89%
Gloves and trash bags	90%	92%	86%	90%
A nasal spray which can be given to reverse the effects of an opioid overdose	83%	77%	81%	86%
Pepper spray	77%	77%	75%	77%



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Ambassador Tools by Ridership Frequency, Continued

(Total Favor)

Tool	All Respondents	Ridership Frequency			
		Daily Rider	Moderate Rider	Infrequent Rider	
A taser	66%	71%	68%	66%	
A nightstick	62%	68%	60%	63%	
A handgun	32%	37%	31%	32%	



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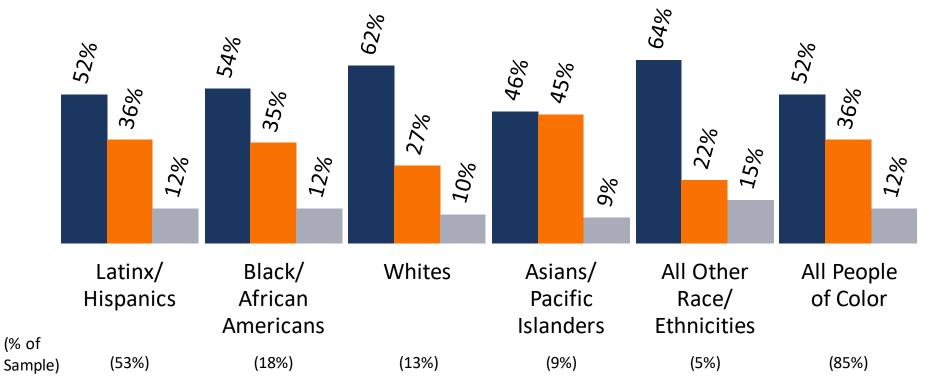


Preferred Approach on Riders Experiencing Homelessness

Approach on Riders Experiencing Homelessness by Race/Ethnicity

By Race/Ethnicity

■ Allow Homeless to Ride Buses/Trains ■ Get Tougher About Removing the Homeless ■ Don't Know



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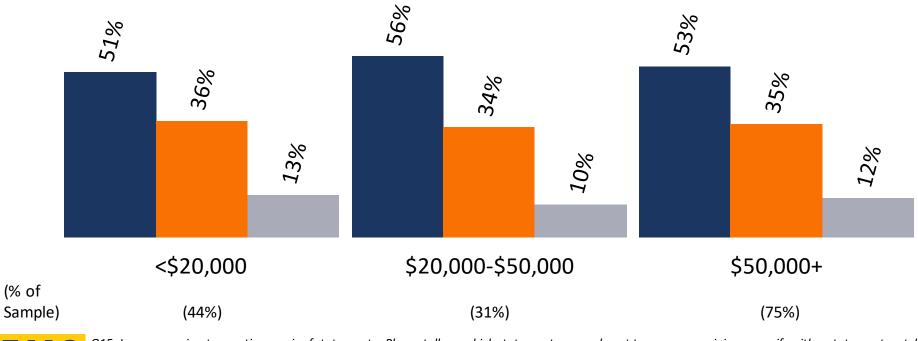
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Q15. I am now going to mention a pair of statements. Please tell me which statement comes closest to your own opinion, even if neither statement matches your views exactly.

Approach on Riders Experiencing Homelessness by Income

By Household Income

Allow Homeless to Ride Buses/Trains Get Tougher About Removing the Homeless Don't Know



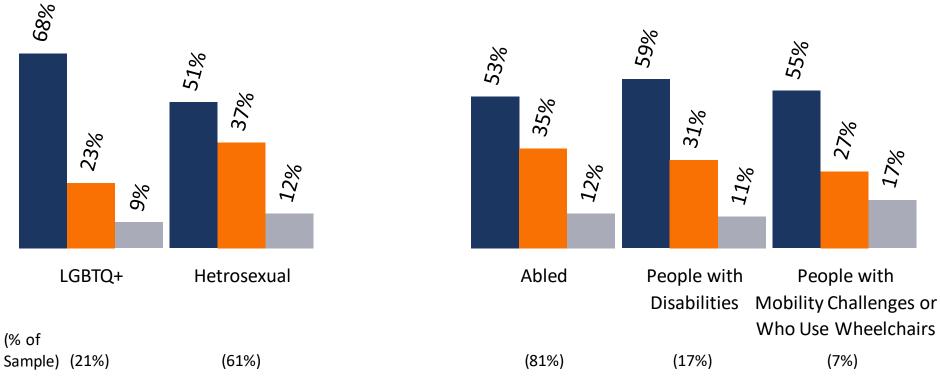
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Approach on Riders Experiencing Homelessness by Sexual Orientation and Disability Identification

By Sexual Orientation & Disability

■ Allow Homeless to Ride Buses/Trains ■ Get Tougher About Removing the Homeless ■ Don't Know



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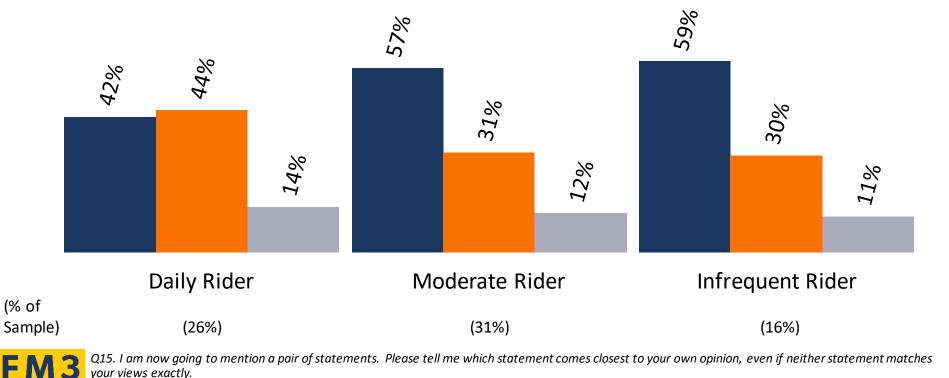
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Q15. I am now going to mention a pair of statements. Please tell me which statement comes closest to your own opinion, even if neither statement matches your views exactly.

Approach on Riders Experiencing Homelessness by Ridership Frequency

By Ridership Frequency

■ Allow Homeless to Ride Buses/Trains ■ Get Tougher About Removing the Homeless ■ Don't Know

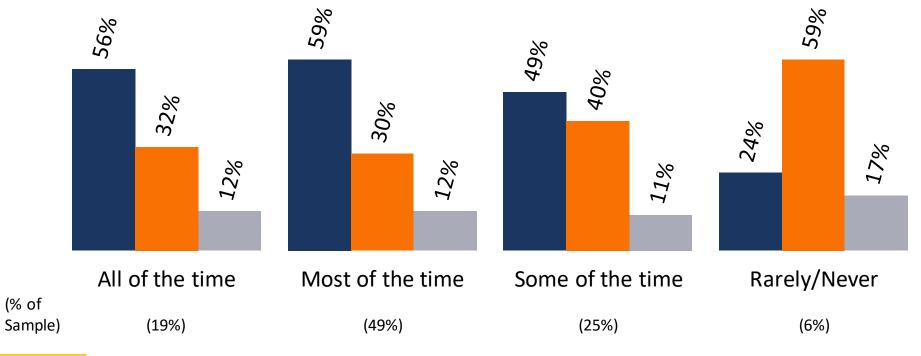


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Approach on Riders Experiencing Homelessness by Frequency of Feeling Safe on METRO

By Feel Safe

Allow Homeless to Ride Buses/Trains



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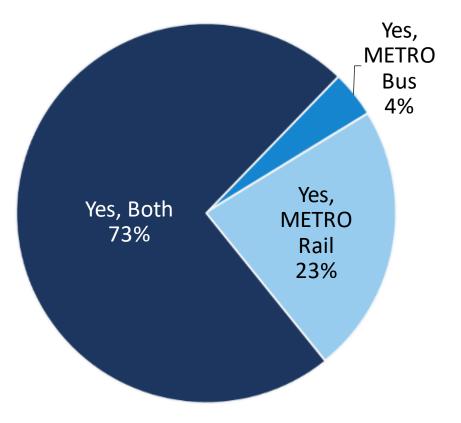
Appendix B - Survey of People Experiencing Homelessness on METRO



Metro Use

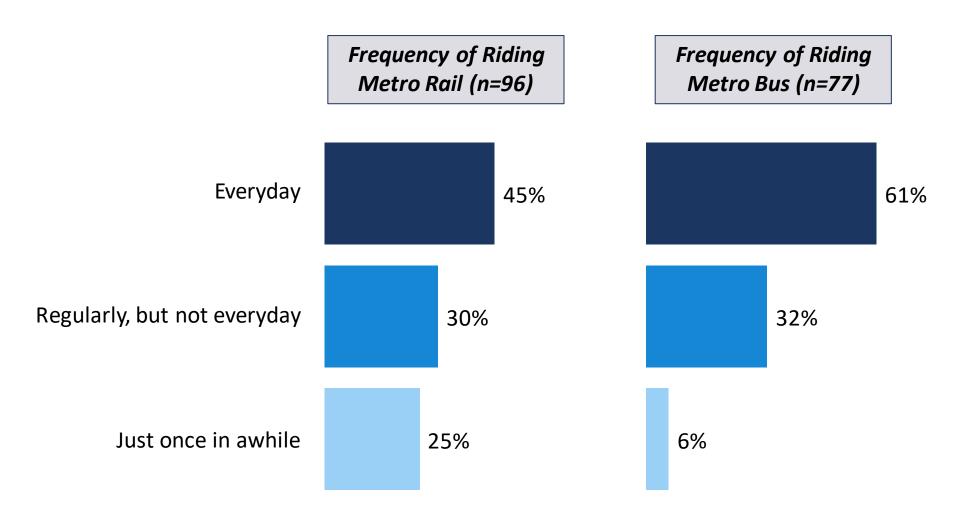
Almost three-quarters ride both Metro Rail and Bus.

Within the last few months, have you ridden on a METRO Bus or METRO Rail or both?





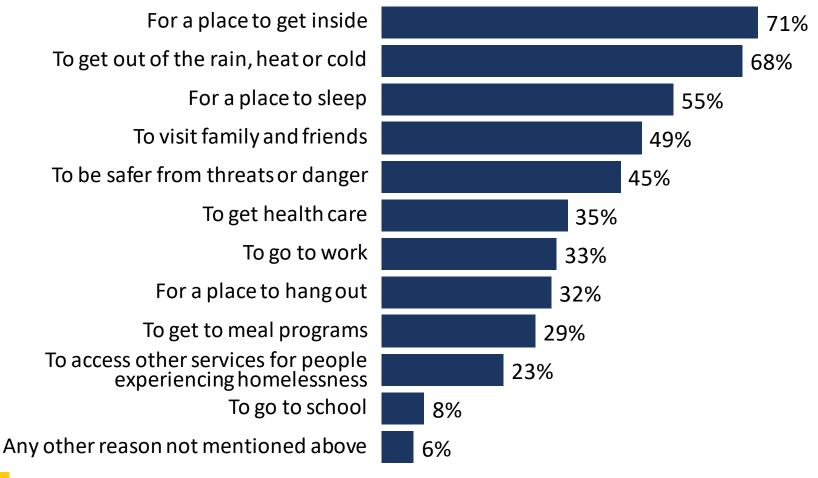
Most ride Metro regularly





For a place to get inside; to get out of the rain, heat or cold; a place to sleep; and to go and visit friends are among the leading reasons to have ridden Metro in recent months.

What are the top reasons you have ridden METRO in recent months? (Open-ended; Ranked by Most Frequent Responses; Multiple Responses Accepted)





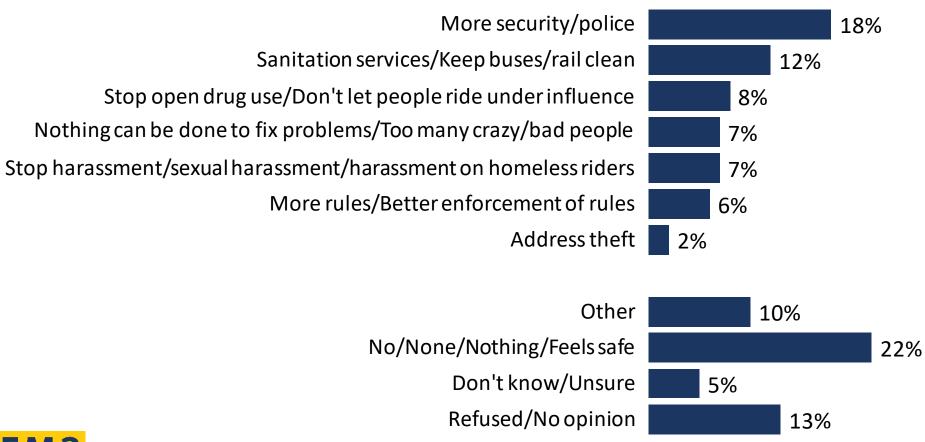


Perceptions of Safety

More security/police and ensuring clean buses and rail were among the leading volunteered response to what Metro could do to make things feel safer.

What would be the one thing METRO could do that would do the most to make you feel safer when using METRO?

(Open-ended; Multiple Responses Accepted)





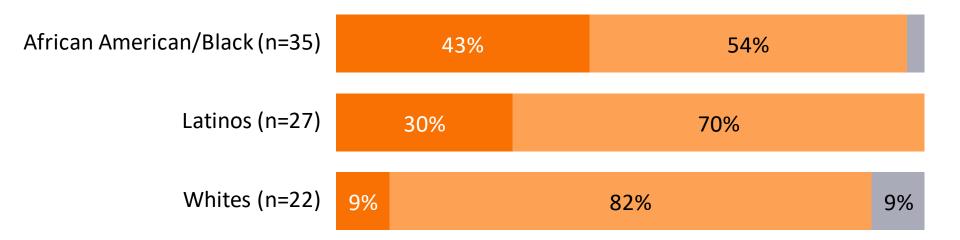


Reported Experiences and Perceptions While Riding Metro

Almost three-in-ten are concerned about being discriminated because of race crime on a METRO Bus or Rail or at a METRO station or a stop; however, more than four-in-ten African-Americans reported they were concerned.

Being Discriminated Against Because of Your Race by Race/Ethnicity



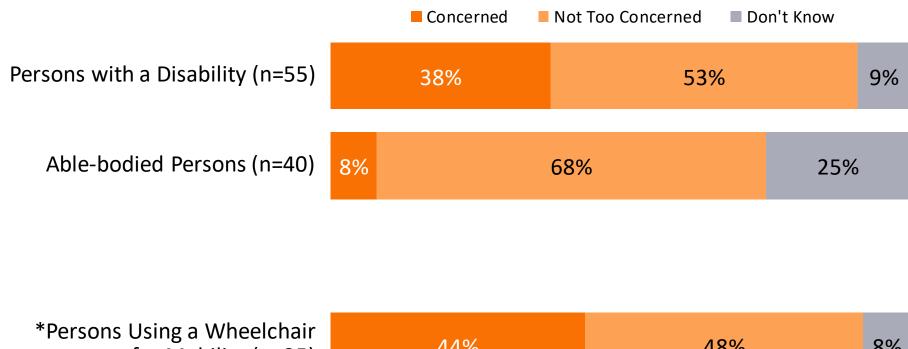




Q11b. Are you concerned or not too concerned about any of the following things happening to you on a METRO Bus or Rail or at a METRO station or stop?

Roughly four-in-ten persons with a disability said they were concerned about being discriminated against because they have a disability on a METRO Bus or Rail or at a METRO station or a stop.

Being Discriminated Against Because You Have a Disability by Disability Identification







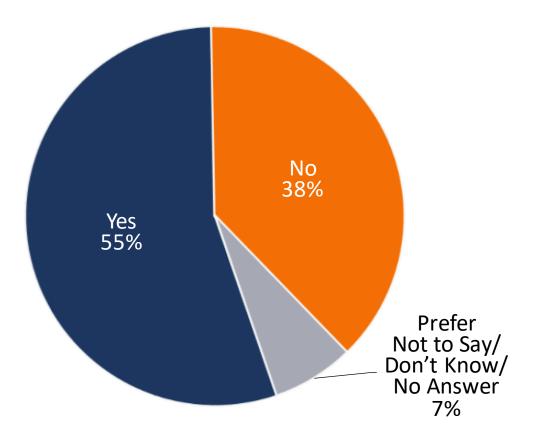
Q11d. Are you concerned or not too concerned about any of the following things happening to you on a METRO Bus or Rail or at a METRO station or stop? *Persons using a wheelchair for mobility are included in the group of persons with a disability.



Experience with Homeless Outreach Worker When Riding METRO

Slightly more than half the respondents said they had any interactions with homeless outreach workers.

When riding METRO or at a METRO station or bus stop, have you had any interaction with homeless outreach workers?

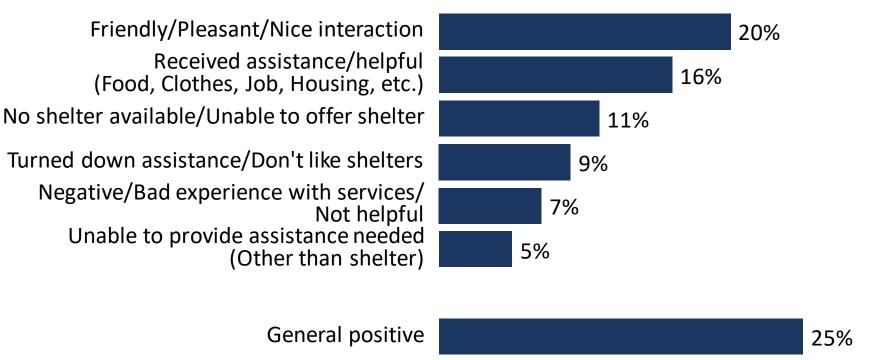




About one-third reported that their most recent interaction with homeless outreach workers was well received, but for some shelter was not available.

How was your most recent interaction with homeless outreach workers?

(Grouped Open-ended Responses; Asked Only of Those Who Had Interactions With Outreach Workers; n=55)



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13%

Other

Refused/No opinion

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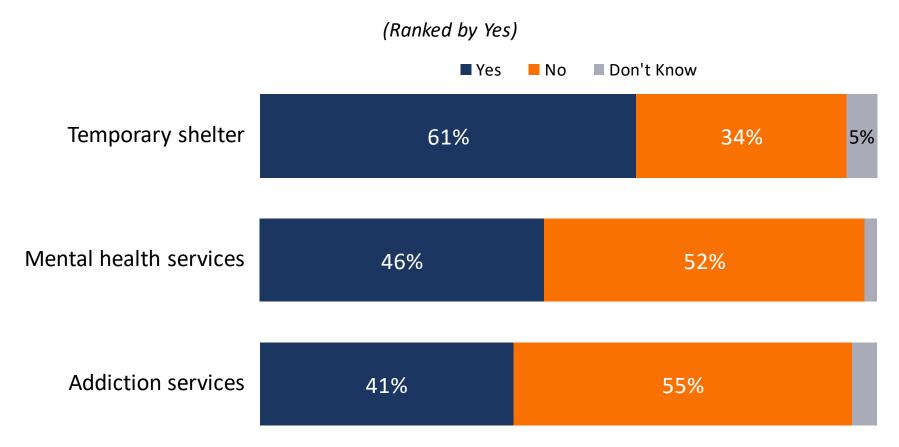


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Perceived Future Priorities for Metro

A majority reported they would be likely to use temporary shelter if it were offered in the future and sizable percentages said they would use mental health and addiction services.

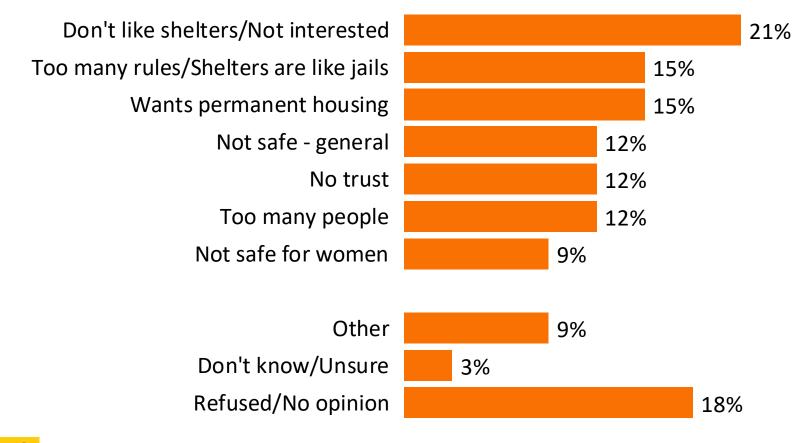




Q17. I am going to mention free services that could be offered in the future to METRO riders who are experiencing homelessness. Would you be likely to use any of the following free services if they were offered to you in the future?

Not liking shelters for various reasons or wanting permanent housing are top volunteered reasons why some will not accept temporary shelter.

Why would you not be likely to use a shelter and bed offered to you by METRO? (Open-ended; Asked Only of Those Who Would Not Accept Temporary Shelter; n=34)

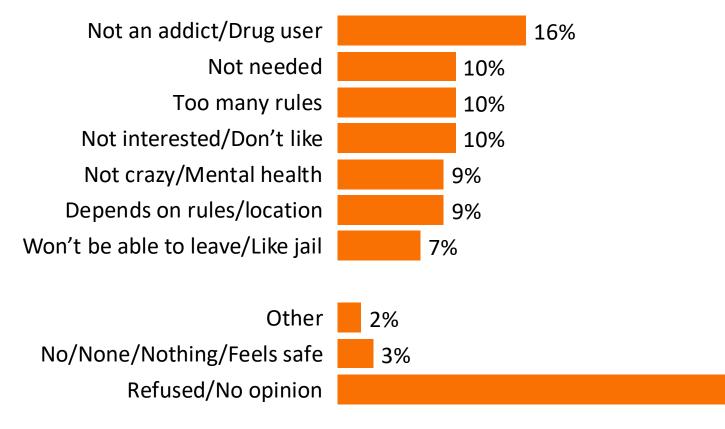




Does not identify as an addict or drug user, or not considered needed are among the leading volunteered reasons to not likely to accept mental health or addiction services

Why would you not be likely to use the service?

(Open-ended; Asked Only of Those Who Would Not Accept Mental Health or Addiction Services; n=58)





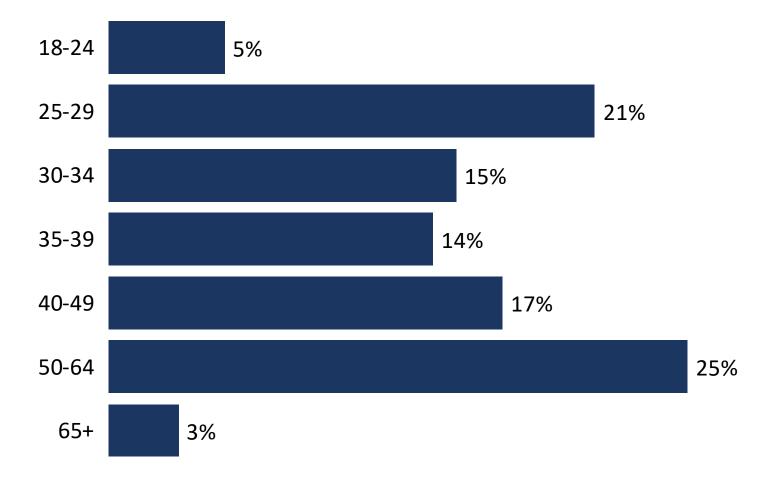
36%



Demographics

The majority of respondents are under age 40.

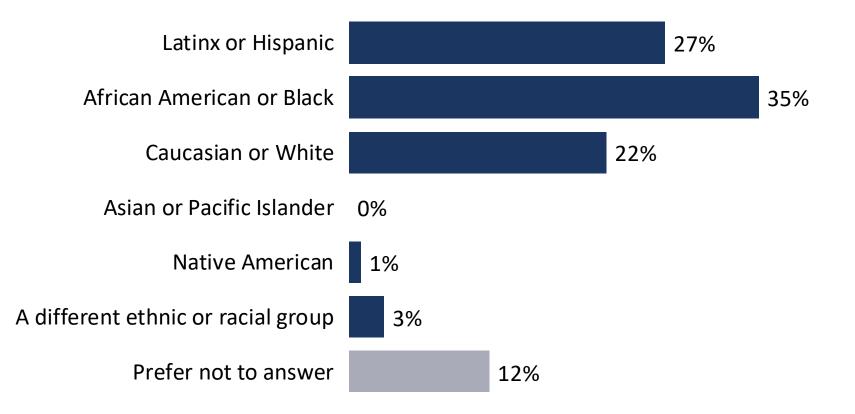
What is your age?





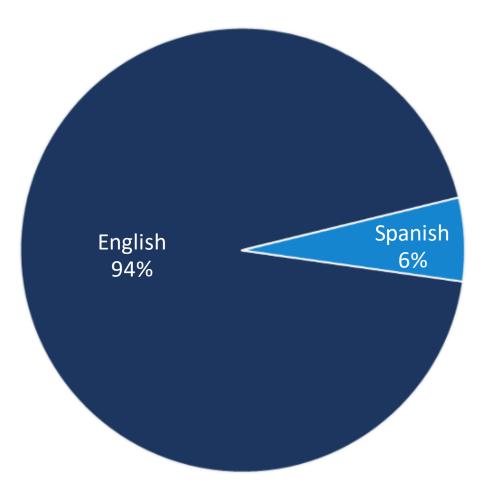
62% of respondents identify as Latinx/Hispanic or Black/African American

Which of the following categories best describes the ethnic or racial group with which you identify yourself?





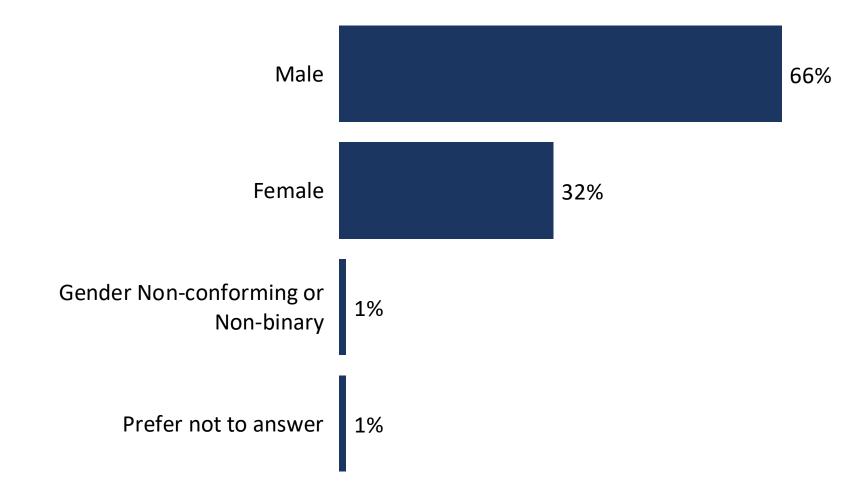
Six percent of respondents choose to complete the survey in Spanish.





Two-thirds of respondents identify as male.

With what gender do you identify?





55% of respondents identify as a person with a disability.

I am going to mention a list of Do you identify as a disabilities, please tell me which of person with a disability? the following disabilities you have? (Asked of Those Who Have a Disability; n=55) Low vision or blindness 18% 55% Yes Deafness or hard-of-hearing 25% Use of a wheelchair for mobility 16% Mobility challenges, 40% No 29% but do not use a wheelchair 44% Mental or cognitive Or some other disability 16% Prefer not to 5% answer Prefer not to answer 9%

