



Your Cycling Connection

2014 Municipal Elections

Will your local candidates work to make biking better?

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Candidate Survey Results In October 2014, HUB Cycling invited 398 candidates for elected office in Metro Vancouver to participate in a survey on cycling prior to the November 15 municipal elections.

209 candidates responded from electoral races in 17 municipalities and electoral districts, each of which are represented by one of nine volunteer HUB committees.

Candidates were asked two questions – one specific to cycling and transportation priorities in their municipality, and one about cycling in the region overall. (With the exception of candidates for Vancouver Park Board commissioner, who were asked one question about parks specifically.)

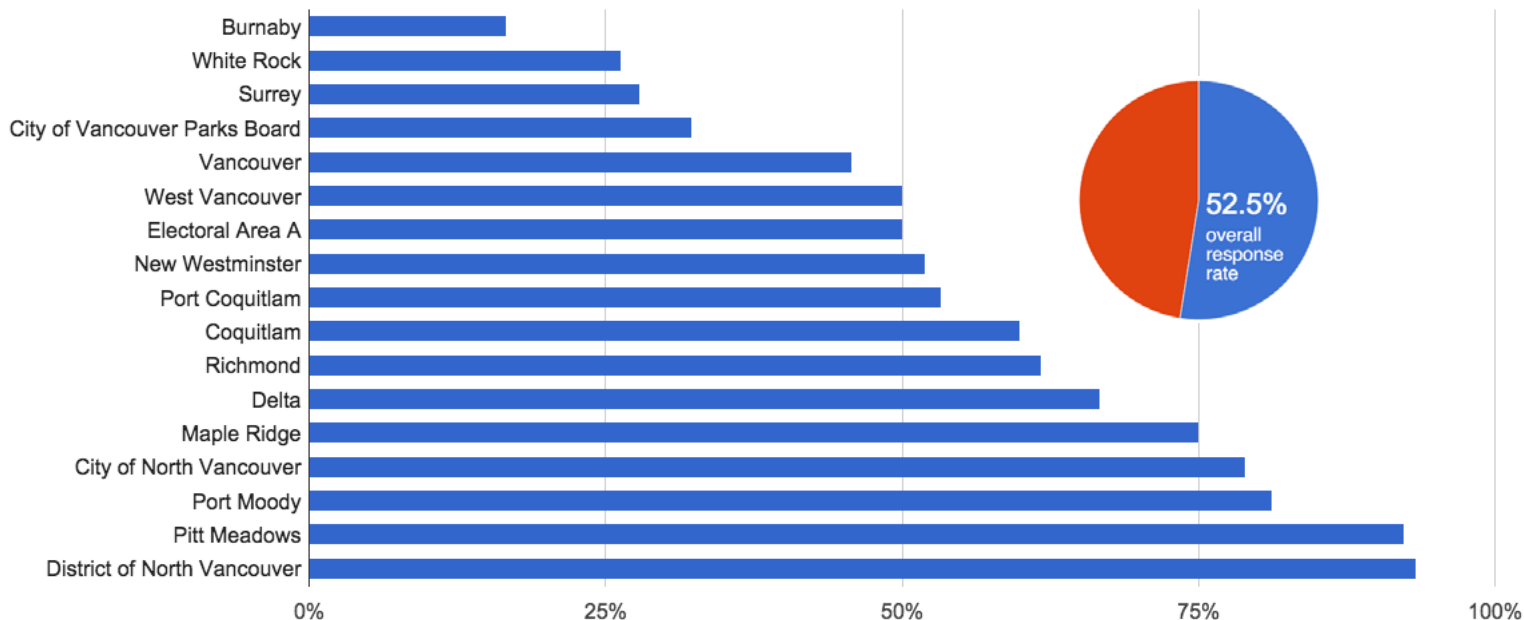
In each instance, respondents were given the opportunity to answer "yes", "no" or "I choose not to answer", with space for up to 500 words of open comment.

The web-based survey ran from October 14 -24, 2014, with responses accepted via email upon request, up to Nov. 12.

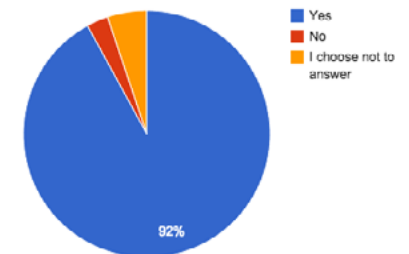
We attempted to contact all registered candidates in these 17 electoral jurisdictions, using public information issued by each respective election office. We regret any errors or omissions.

Questions about the survey? Contact action@bikehub.ca.

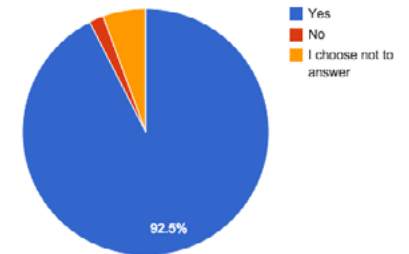
Survey Participation as % of all registered candidates



Question 1 answer distribution



Question 2 answer distribution



Results updated November 12, 2014

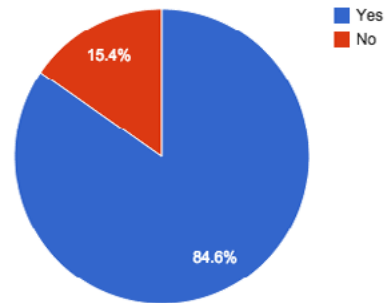


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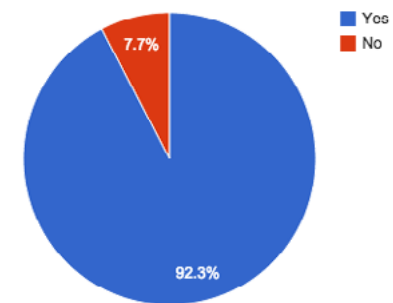
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SURVEY SUMMARY, BY THE NUMBERS

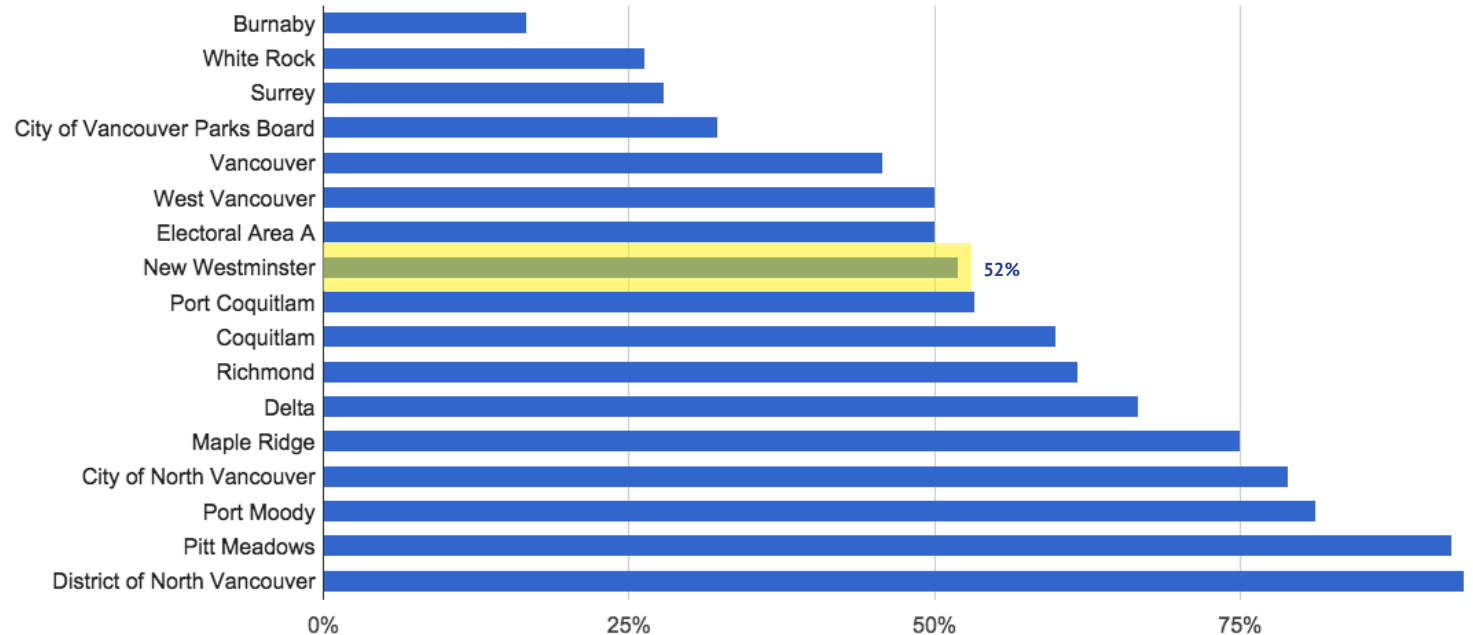
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QUESTION 1 *The City of New Westminster's Master Transportation Plan sets out three cycling policies: develop a complete bicycle network, provide safe and comfortable bicycle facilities, and make cycling convenient. These policies are designed to provide cycling facilities and programs to make cycling comfortable for all ages and abilities. Would you vote in favour of dedicated and sustained funding to achieve these three policies?*

James Crosty MAYOR	Yes	
Vladimir Krasnogor MAYOR	Yes	Yes, but with priority given to cycling routes suitable to majority of cyclists of all levels. We must keep in mind that because of topography of New Westminster, some routes are suitable only to most advanced cycling athletes.
Wayne Wright MAYOR	Yes	
John Ashdown COUNCIL	No	Need the cooperation of cyclist to participate in funding through licensing and insurance. Road sharing should mean more than simply taking the space. As a cyclist I feel vulnerable to accident with vehicles without insurance.
Marge Ashdown COUNCIL	No	At this point in time, New Westminster has far too much debt to have a dedicated and sustained funding for anything "extra". We must get our debt down first. Citizens cannot afford higher taxes to implement these cycling policies.
Calvin Donnelly COUNCIL	Yes	
Mike Folka COUNCIL	Yes	
Raj Gupta COUNCIL	Yes	
Patrick Johnstone COUNCIL	Yes	I was an active member of the Master Transportation Plan workshop committee, and provided significant input onto the cycling and pedestrian facilities and programs part of the final document. Timely implementation of the MTP and protection of the planning principles laid out in the MTP are my priority for the coming Council term
Scott McIntosh COUNCIL	Yes	
Gavin Palmer COUNCIL	Yes	On the provision that funding for proposed programs, facilities and initiatives are cost neutral or provided by a revenue source. Biking is healthy and reduces health costs therefore there is a source of funding. Cycling also reduces road maintenance and vehicle costs, another source of funding. Therefore policies, programs, facilities and initiatives in this area should receive both Provincial and Federal support to be viable. Local municipalities cannot go it alone due to budget restraints.
Chuck Puchmayr COUNCIL	Yes	
Harm Woldring COUNCIL	Yes	New Westminster hills pose a real challenge for most cyclists. I believe an enhanced bike network is definitely in order for our community. Many enhancements should be made available.

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QUESTION 2 *Would you vote in favour of infrastructure investments that close the gaps in the municipal and regional cycling network so it is well connected and allows people to travel safely by bicycle?*

James Crosty MAYOR	Yes	
Vladimir Krasnogor MAYOR	Yes	
Wayne Wright MAYOR	Yes	
John Ashdown COUNCIL	Yes	Again, I feel if cyclist were insured and licensed, there would be more respect and a welcoming attitude from motorist.
Marge Ashdown COUNCIL	No	This would cost money and at this time, New Westminister cannot afford anything extra.
Calvin Donnelly COUNCIL	Yes	
Mike Folka COUNCIL	Yes	
Raj Gupta COUNCIL	Yes	
Patrick Johnstone COUNCIL	Yes	New Westminister's cycling network is a work in progress, but with significant gaps that need to be addressed. The Q2Q crossing, connecting Pier Park to Sapperton Landing Park and developing a lower-grade connection between Downtown and Uptown are the current high-priority "gap filling" projects.
Scott McIntosh COUNCIL	Yes	
Gavin Palmer COUNCIL	Yes	These investments need the support of Regional, Provincial and Federal governments. Local municipalities should already be co-operating with each other on routes in their respective jurisdictions and through Metro Vancouver, the Regional authority in this area, whose responsibilities are regional parks.
Chuck Puchmayr COUNCIL	Yes	
Harm Woldring COUNCIL	Yes	