



SHELTER ISLAND DEER AND TICK SURVEY 2017

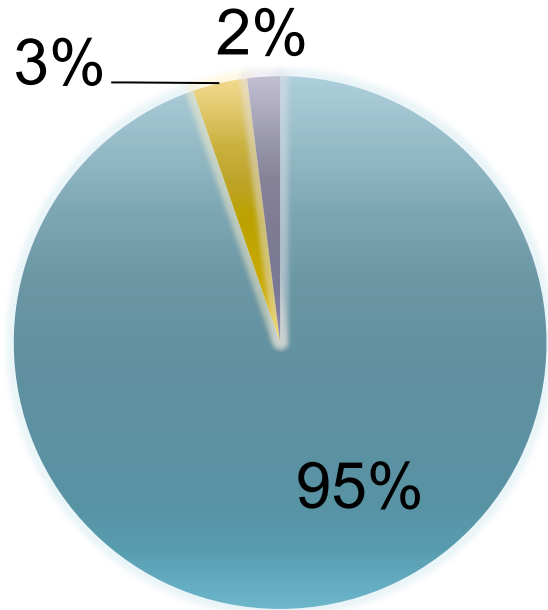
Survey Metrics

Total Surveys Mailed	3688
Surveys Received by September 30	1210
Reply Rate	33%

Q1: What best describes your residency on Shelter Island?

Full-time	41%
Part-time	57%
Visitor	1%
Other	1%

Q2: Do you think there is a tick problem on Shelter Island?

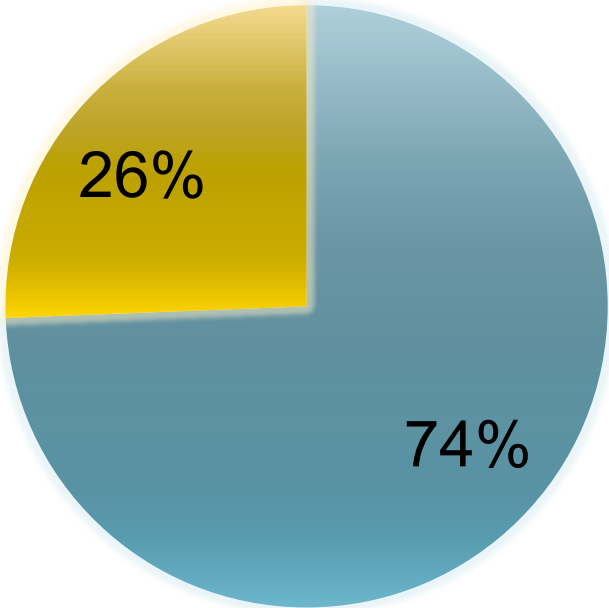


- Yes
- No
- Did Not Answer

If yes, please indicate why

Ticks on Family / Guests	80%
Ticks on Pets	47%
Tick Related Medical Treatment	56%
Other	6%

Q3: In the last 12 months have you found a tick from Shelter Island on you?



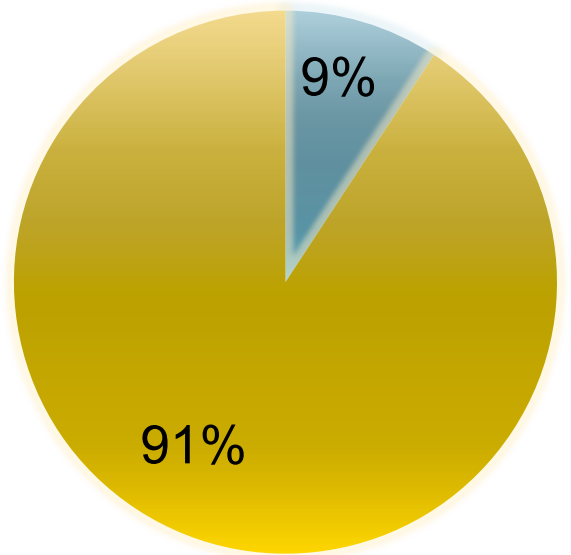
■ Yes ■ No

0.7% of Respondents did not answer this question

If yes, how often

1-5 times	79%
6-10 Times	13%
10+Times	8%

Q4: Are you currently being treated for a tick borne disease?



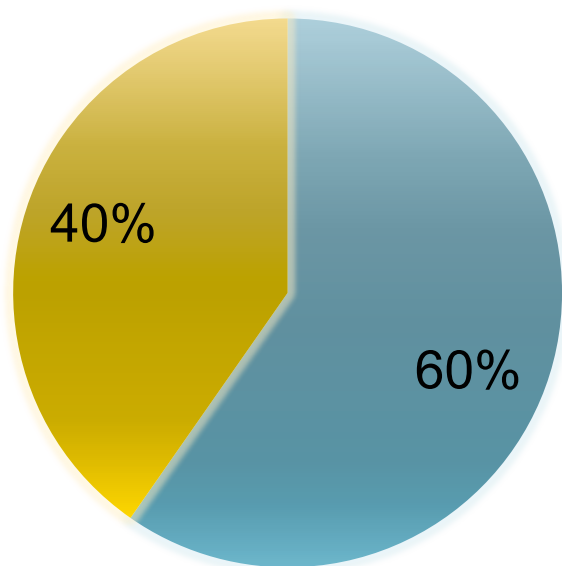
■ Yes ■ No

0.5% of Respondents did not answer this question

If yes, where (85 responses)

Shelter Island	44
New York City	20
Long Island	6
North Fork / South Fork	6
Outside Northeast US	5
Northeast US	4

Q5: Have you been treated for a tick borne disease in the past?



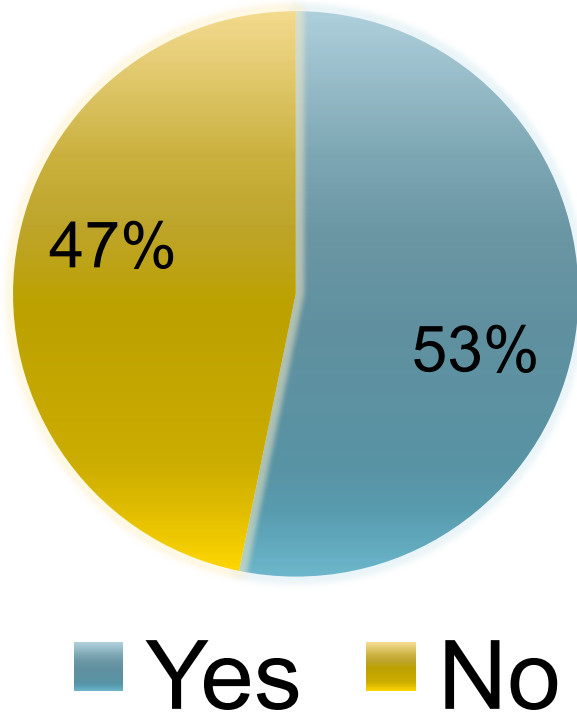
■ Yes ■ No

If yes, where (798 responses)

Shelter Island	411
New York City	112
Did not give details	81
Multiple times & locations	194

0.7% of Respondents did not answer this question

Q6: Do you do anything to control ticks on your property on Shelter Island?

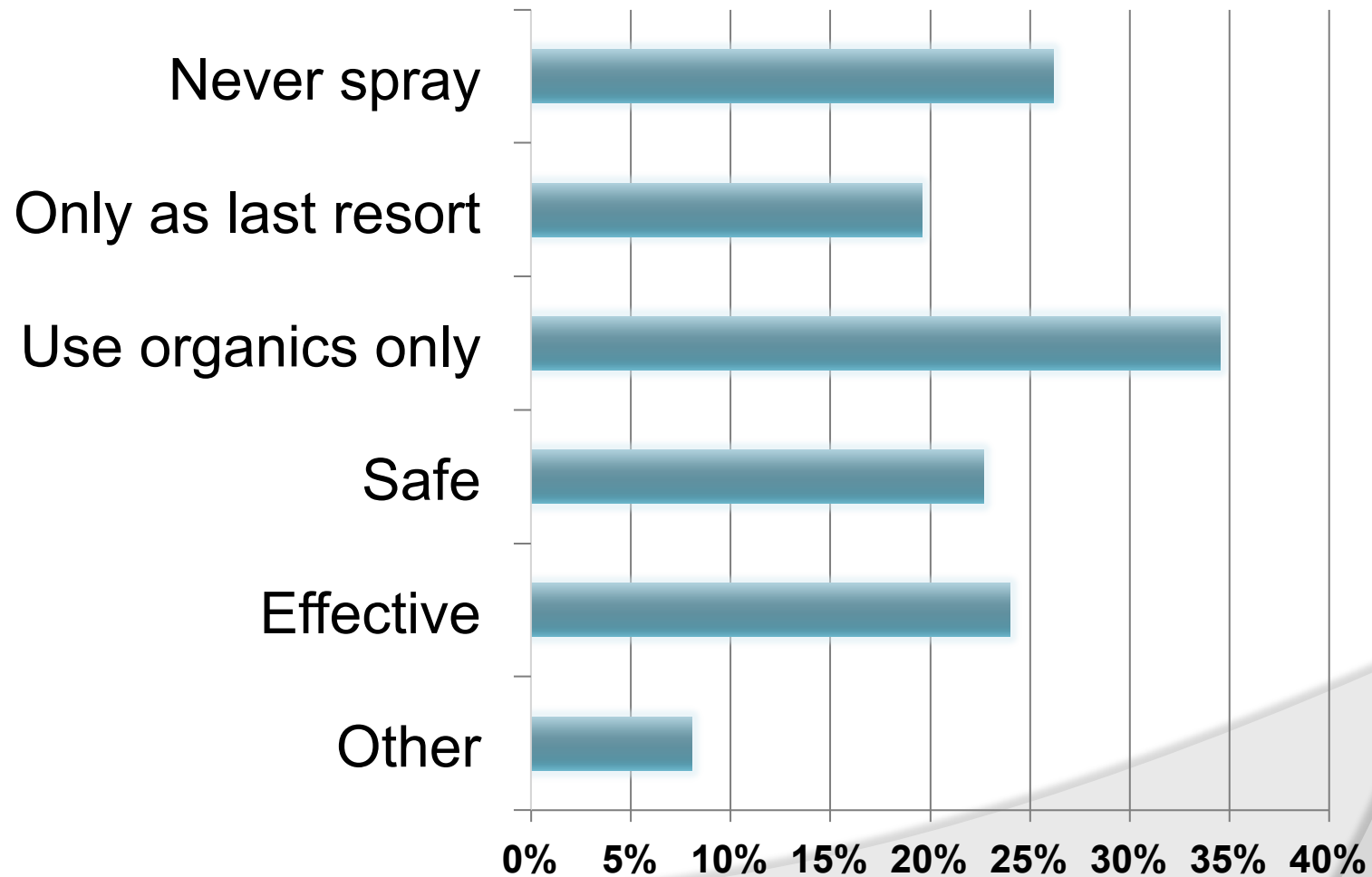


If yes, what method(s) do you use?

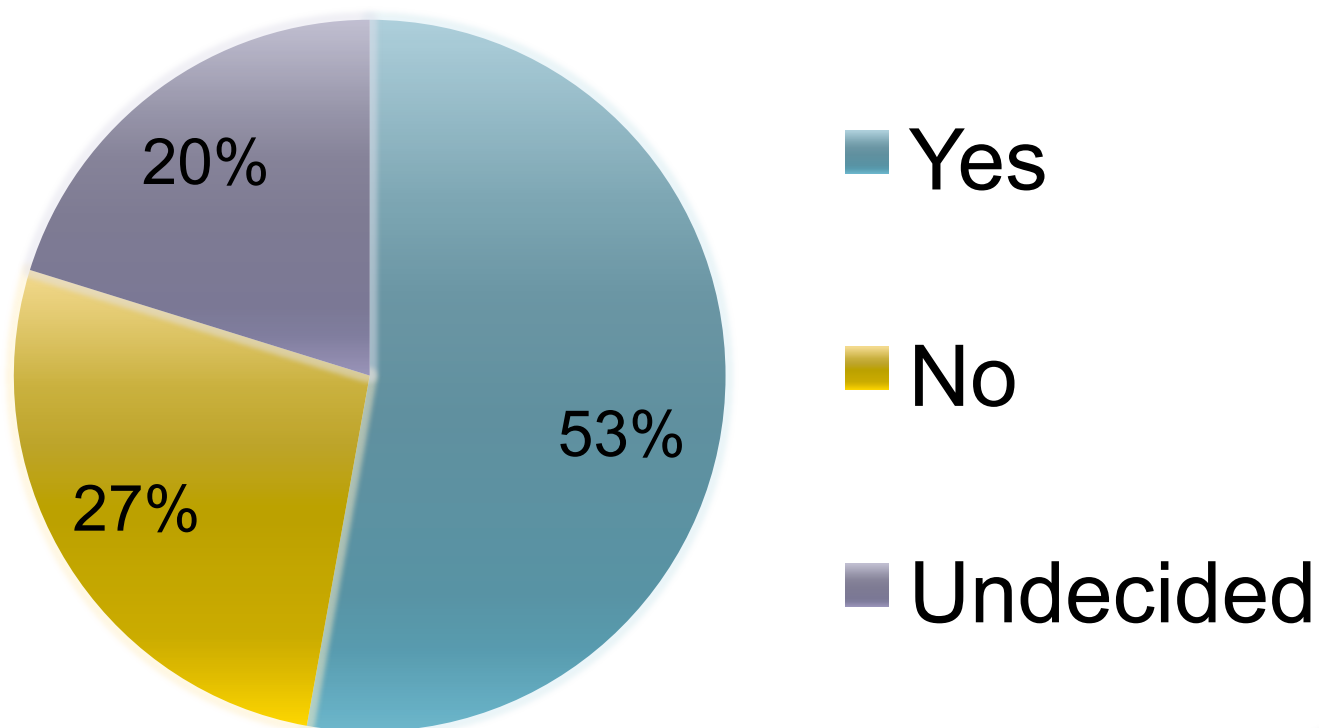
Landscaping	43%
Lawn Spraying	32%
Organic Lawn Spraying	27%
Deer Fence	31%
Other	11%

1.1% of Respondents did not answer this question

Q7: What best describes your thoughts about controlling ticks with lawn spraying?

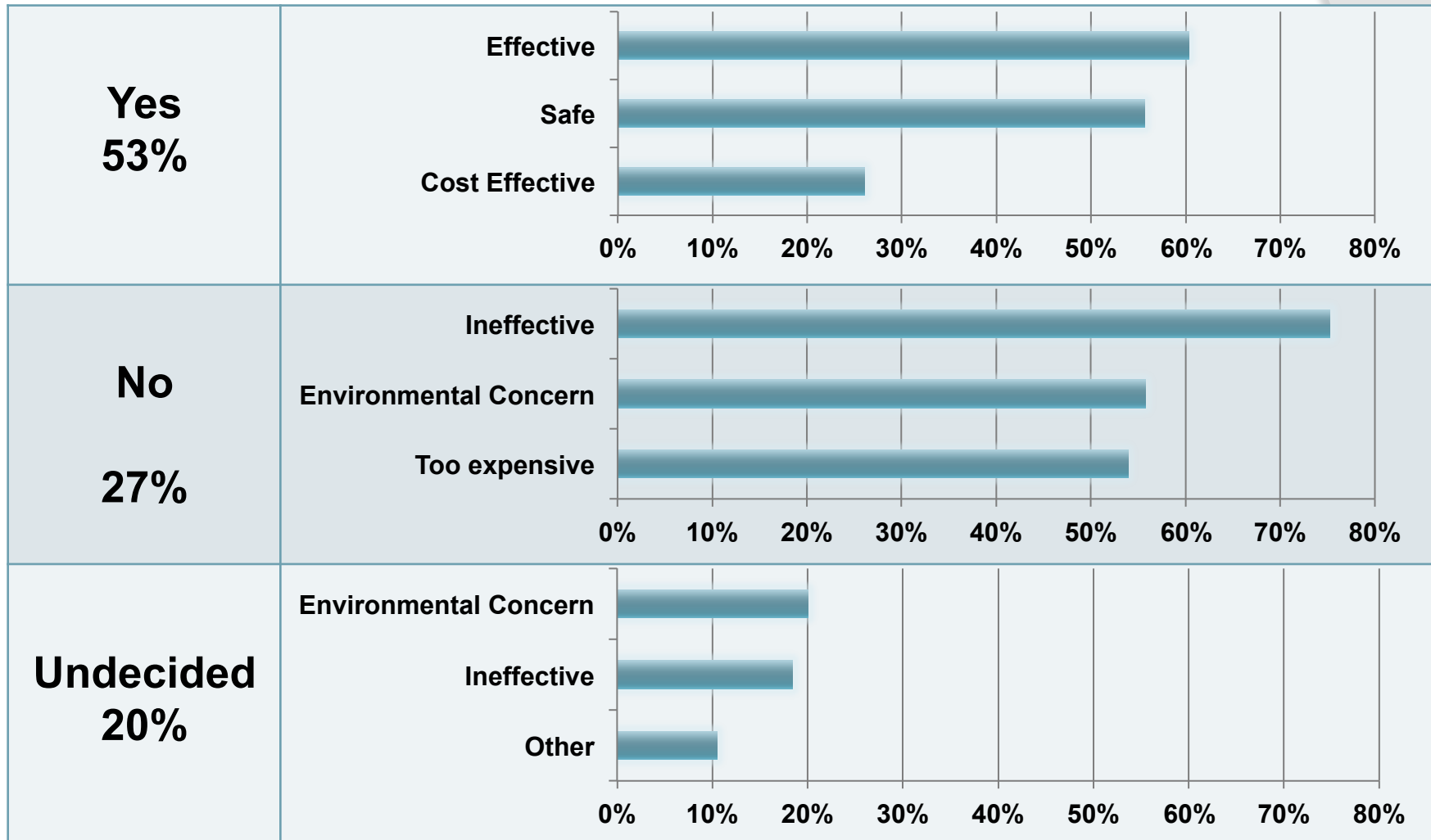


Q8: Do you support the use of 4-posters on Shelter Island to control ticks?



1.1% of Respondents did not answer this question

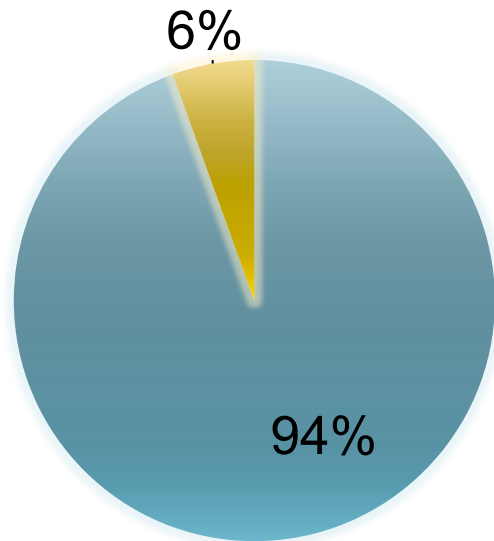
Q8: Do you support the use of 4-posters on Shelter Island to control ticks? Please indicate why.



Top 3 Selections for each answer.

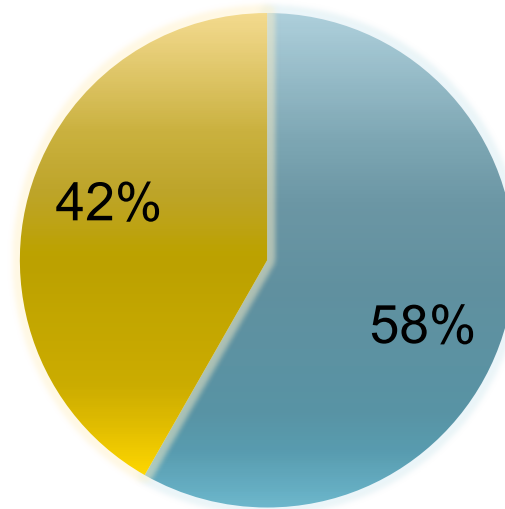
Q9: Have you read information regarding ticks and tick borne disease prevention?

Have you read information regarding ticks?



■ Yes ■ No

Would you like to have more available?

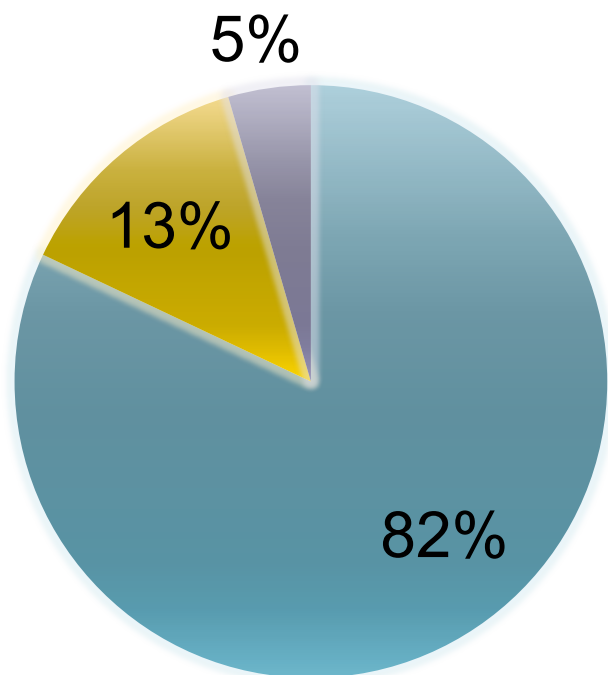


■ Yes ■ No

Where would you like it available?

Online, Shelter Island Reporter, Post Office, Library, IGA, Town Hall, Everywhere

Q10: Do you think there is a deer density problem on Shelter Island?

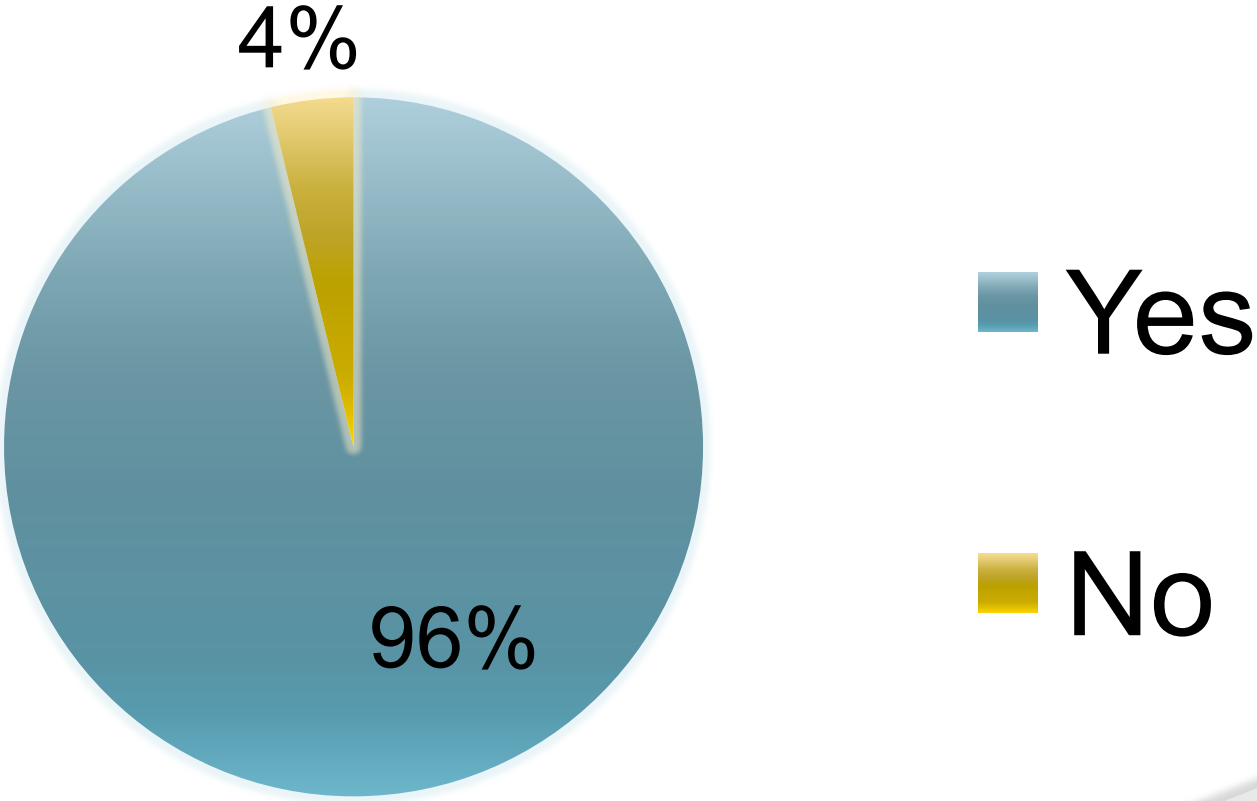


- Yes
- No
- Did Not Answer

If yes, please indicate why

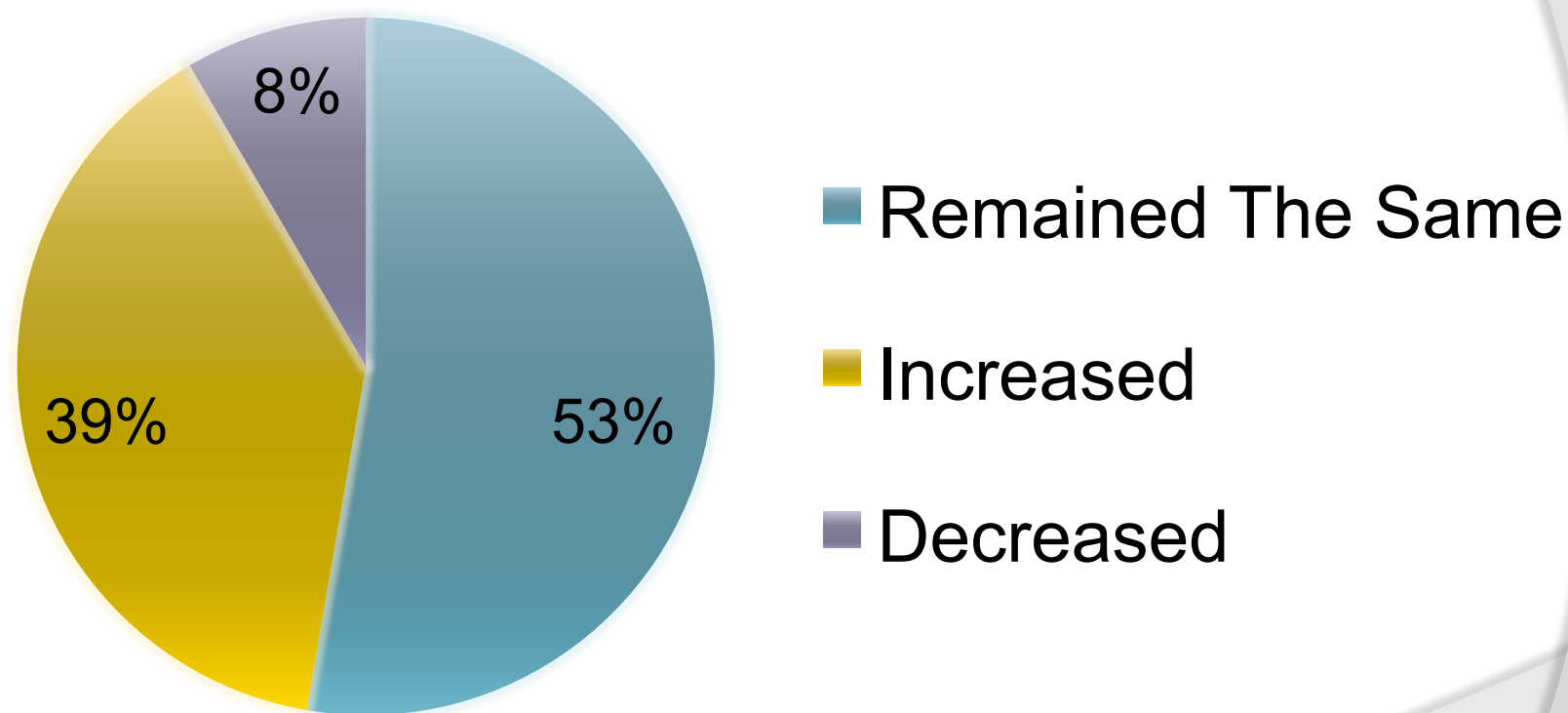
Browsing Damage	72%
Deer Vehicle Collisions	78%
Increased Tick Density	71%
Other	14%

Q11: Do you see deer, or evidence of deer on your property on Shelter Island?



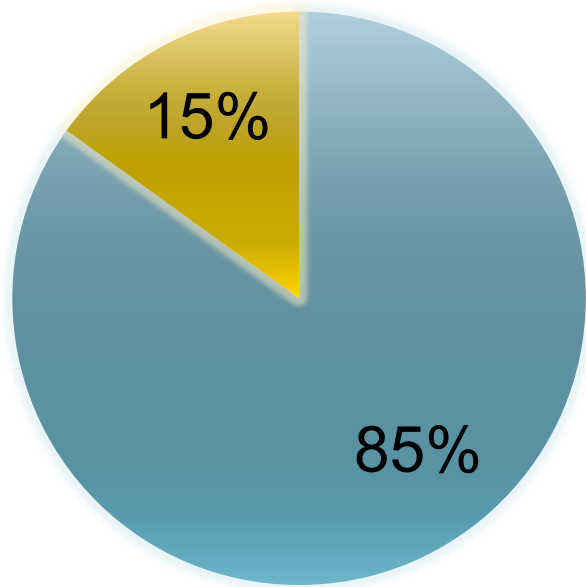
2.2% of Respondents did not answer this question

Q12: In the last 12 months, these sightings have?



3.0% of Respondents did not answer this question

Q13: Has your vegetation ever been damaged by deer?



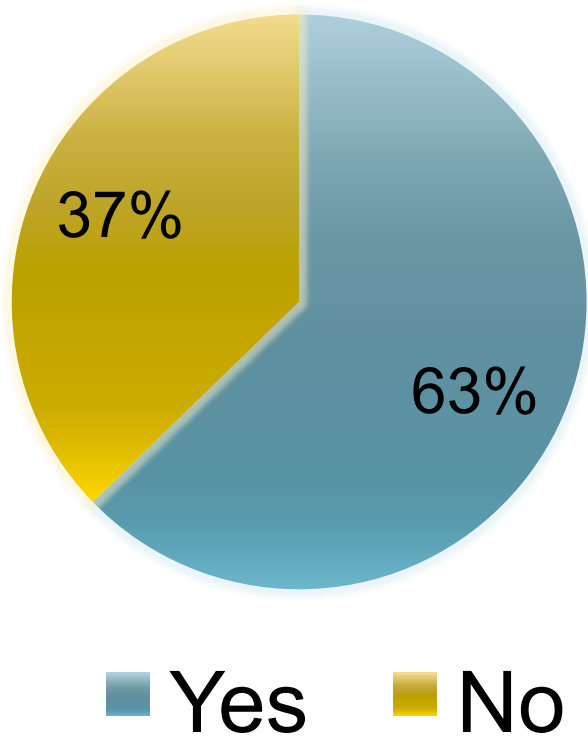
■ Yes ■ No

If yes, approximate value of damage

Respondents that gave value information	260
Total damage	\$847,715
Average damage per respondent	\$3,260

3.3% of Respondents did not answer this question

Q14: Do you do anything to control deer on your property on Shelter Island?

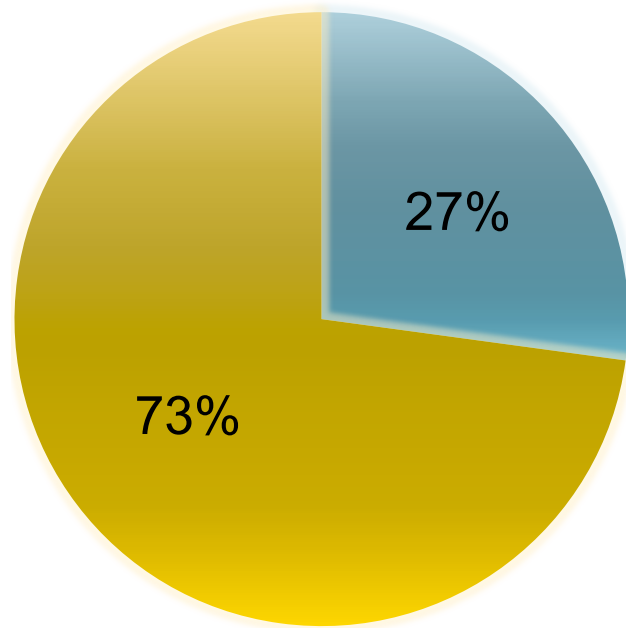


If yes, what method(s) do you use?

Deer Fence	57%
Landscaping	41%
Hunting	9%
Repellants	41%
Other	9%

2.4% of Respondents did not answer this question

Q15: Have you ever had a deer related car accident on Shelter Island?



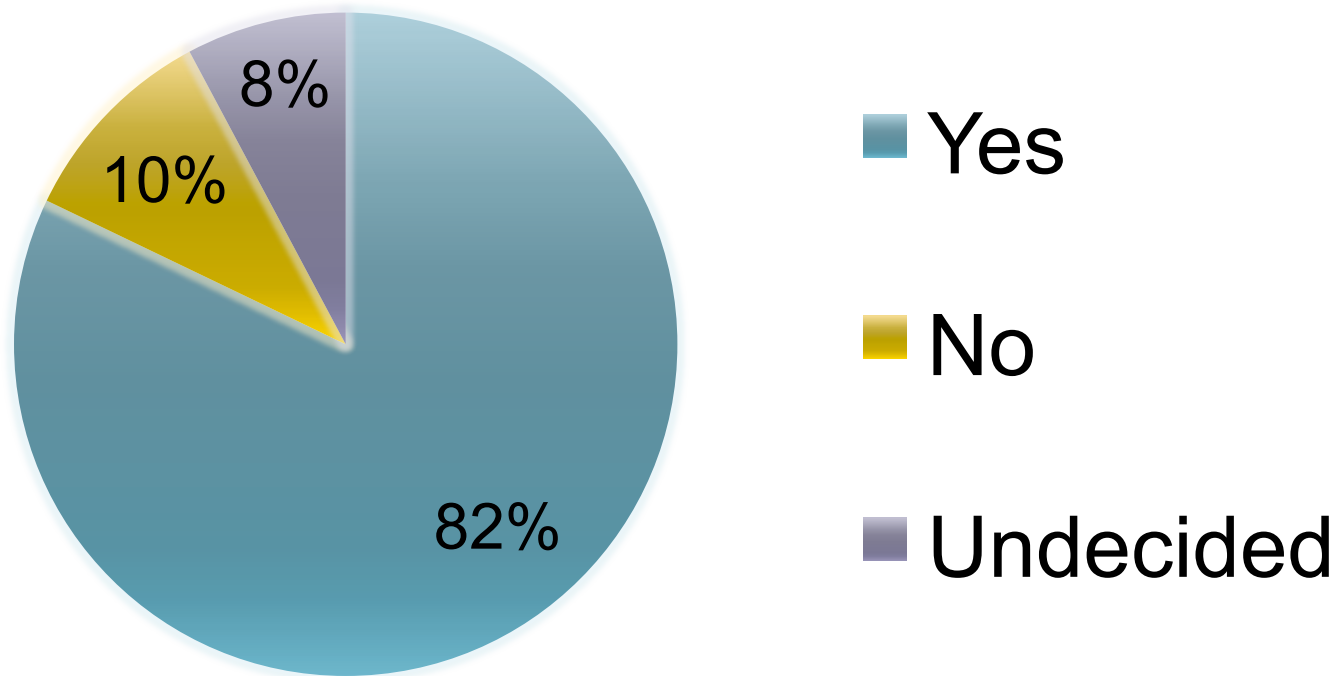
■ Yes ■ No

If yes, approximate damage value of each

Respondents that gave value information	360
Total damage	\$933,626
Average damage per respondent	\$2,593

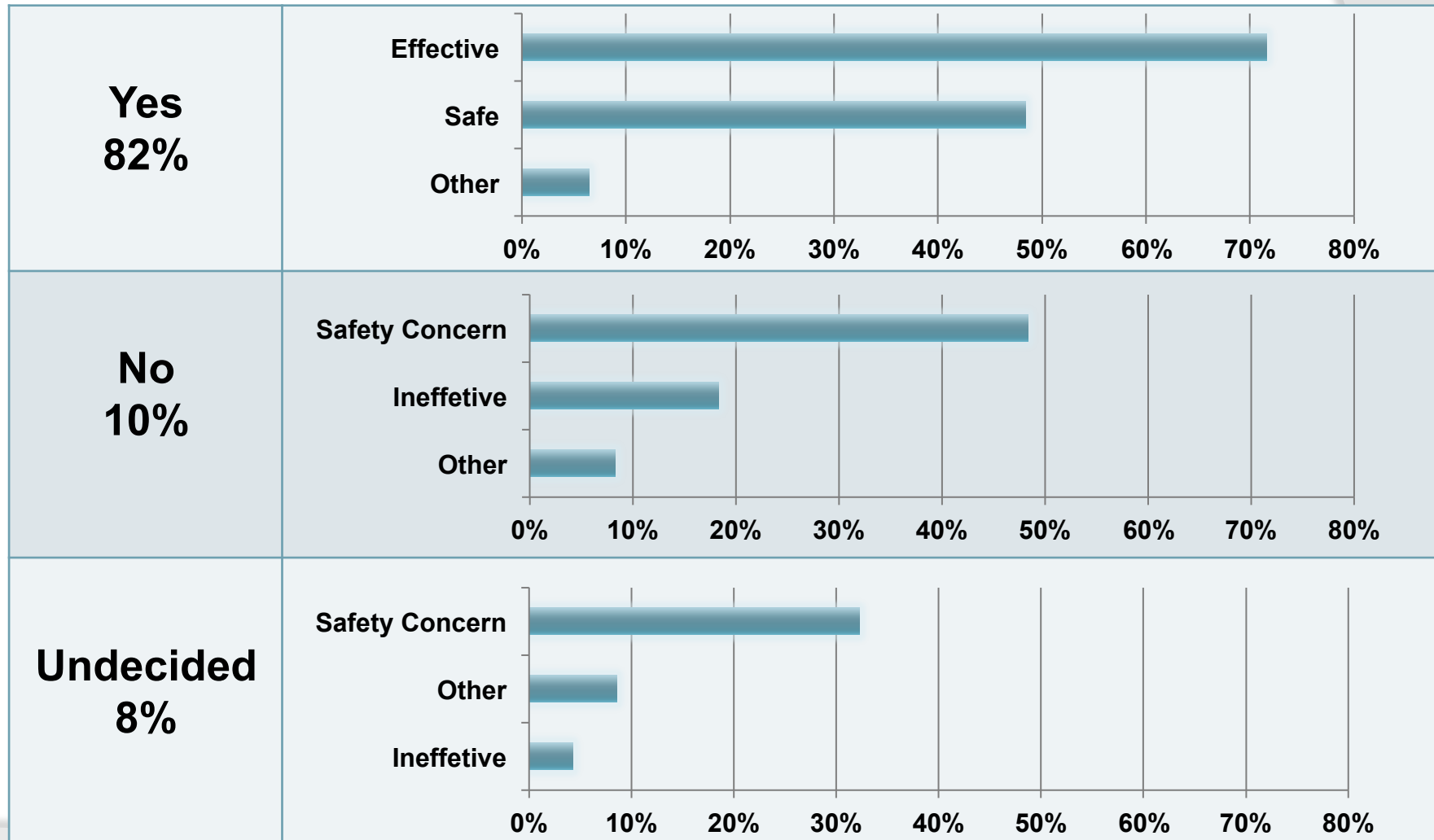
2.0% of Respondents did not answer this question

Q16: Do you support recreational hunting to control deer density?

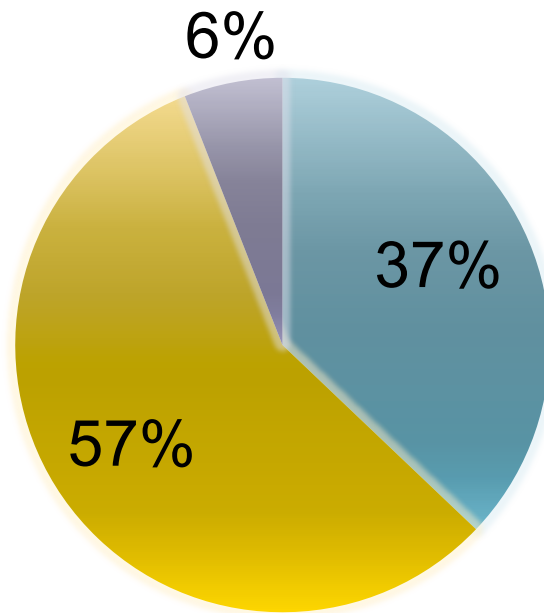


1.5% of Respondents did not answer this question

Q16: Do you support recreational hunting to control deer density? Please indicate why.



Q17: Would you allow hunting on your property?



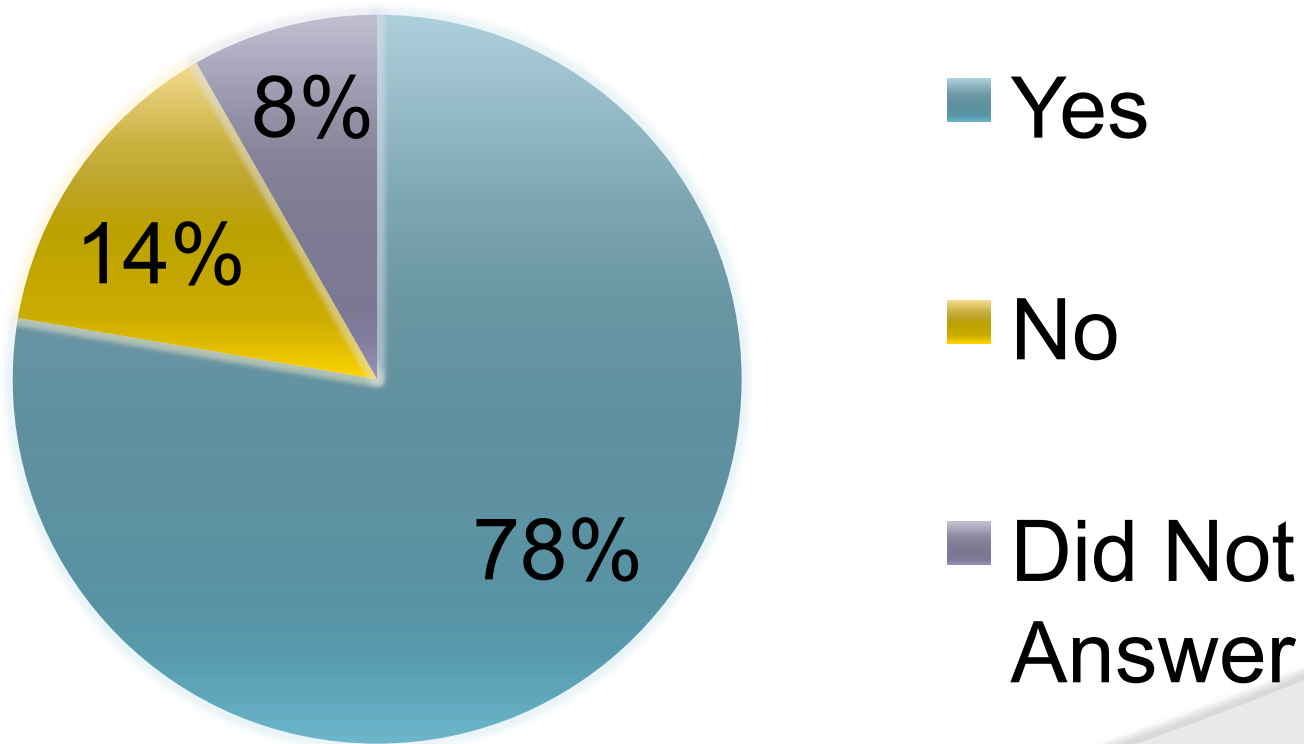
- Yes
- No
- Did Not Answer

If yes, please provide contact info

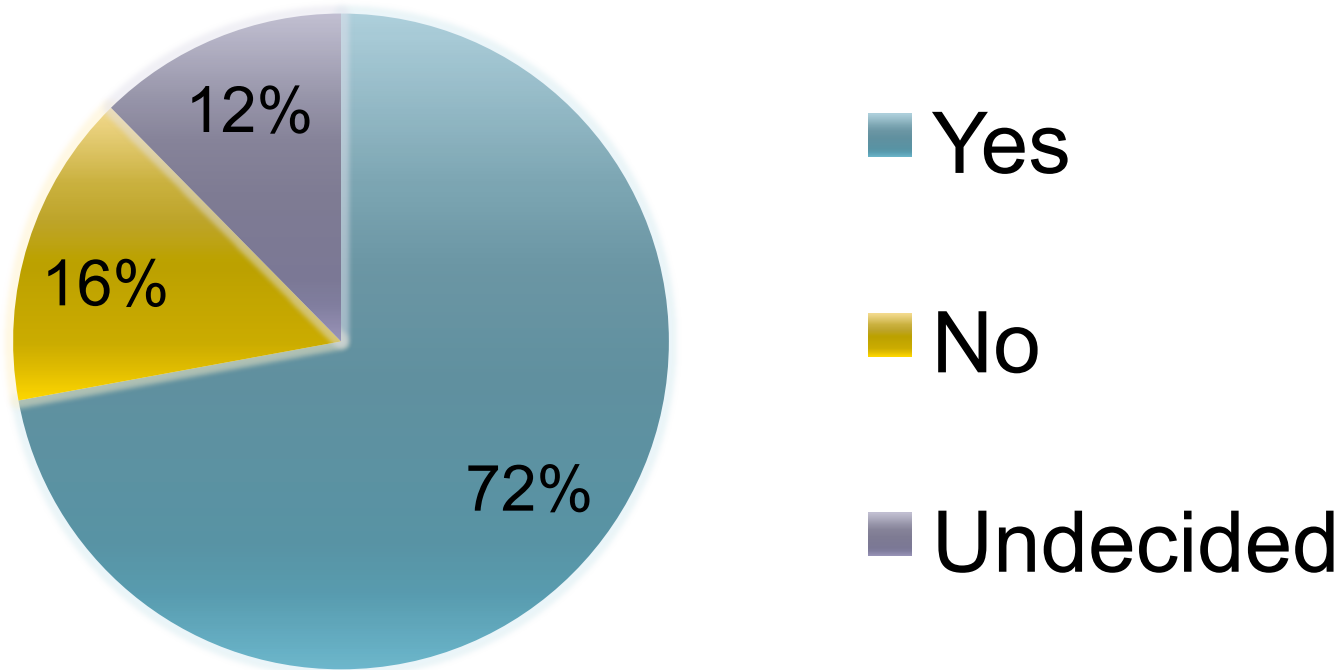
Said yes and gave their contact information	136
Said yes, but their property was too small	14

- 123 other respondents indicated their property was too small or too close to other homes.

Q18: Do you think the Town should do more to reduce deer density?

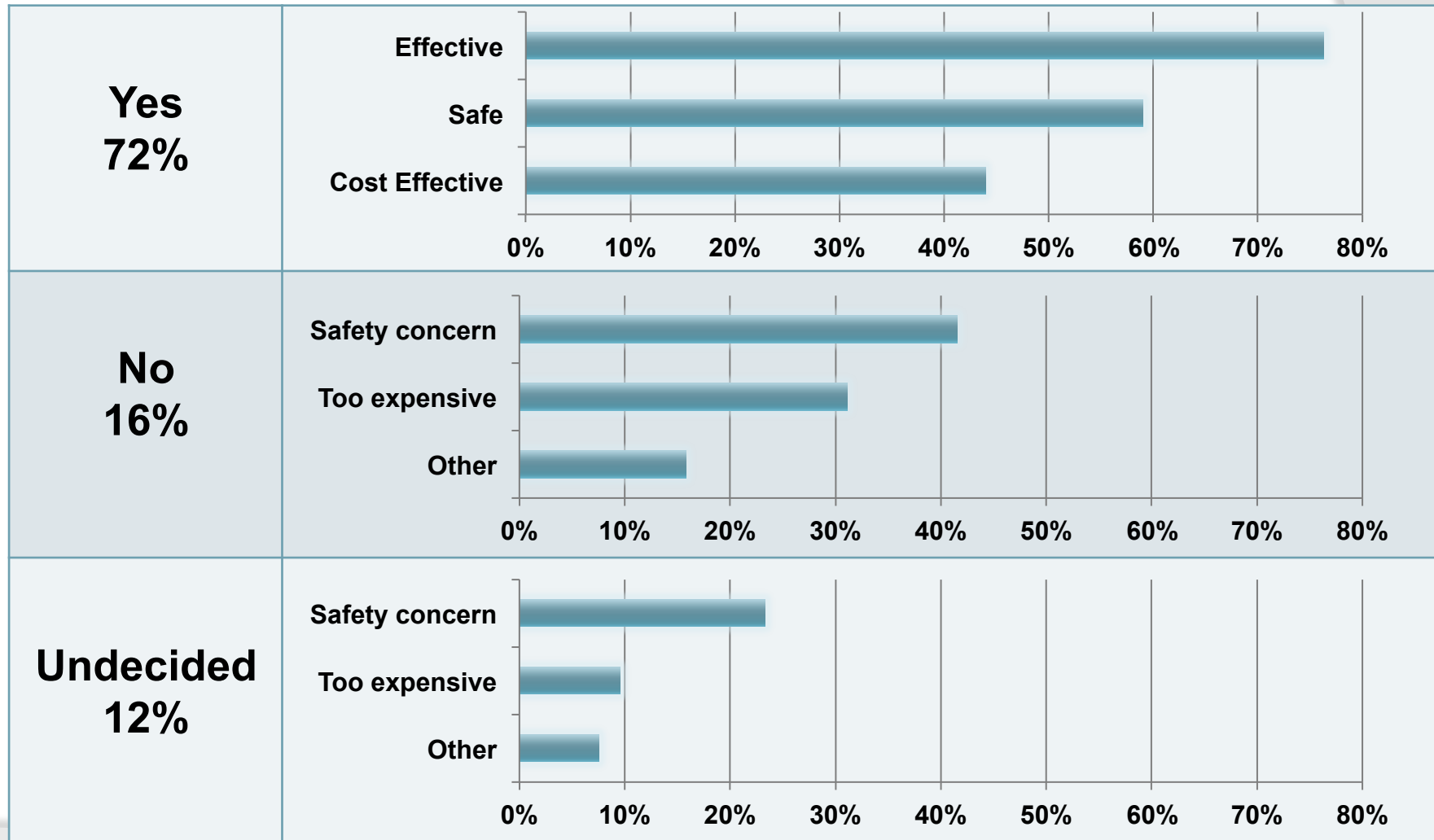


Q19: Would you support the Town contracting with appropriately trained / licensed personnel to reduce deer density?

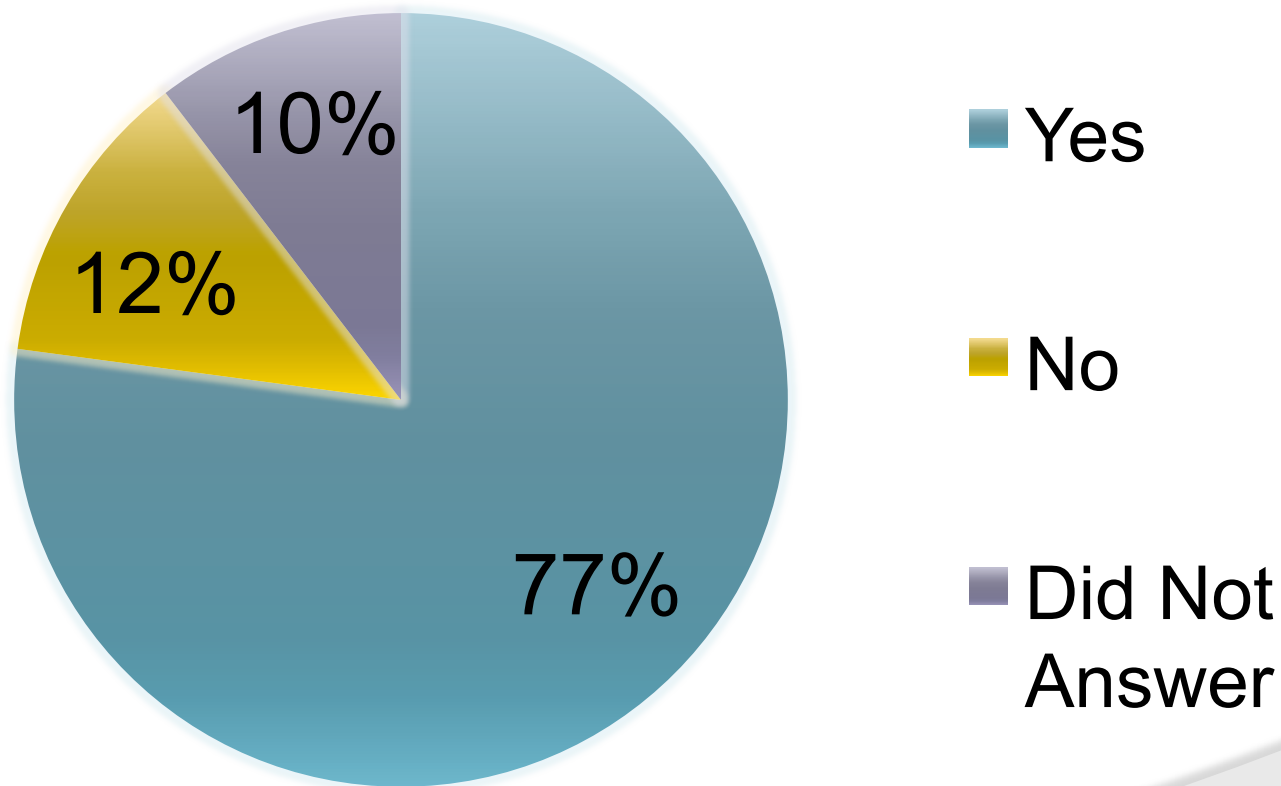


2.5% of Respondents did not answer this question

Q19: Would you support the Town contracting with appropriately trained / licensed personnel to reduce deer density? Please indicate why.



Q20: Would you support increasing deer and tick related funding to expand these programs?



General sentiment of comments provided in addition to the survey questions.

Birds	More \$ for 4 Poster only
Burn	More \$ for Hunting only
Cull	Permethrin Concern
Educate	Predators
Eliminate	Reallocate
End 4 Poster	Sterilize / Birth Control
Health Crisis	Thanks
Mice	Waste of Money

Thank you for your input!

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