COMMUNITY SURVEY RESULTS



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A total of 144 active survey responses were collected from residents via an online survey and at a drop-in session at Monash Aquatic & Recreation Centre.

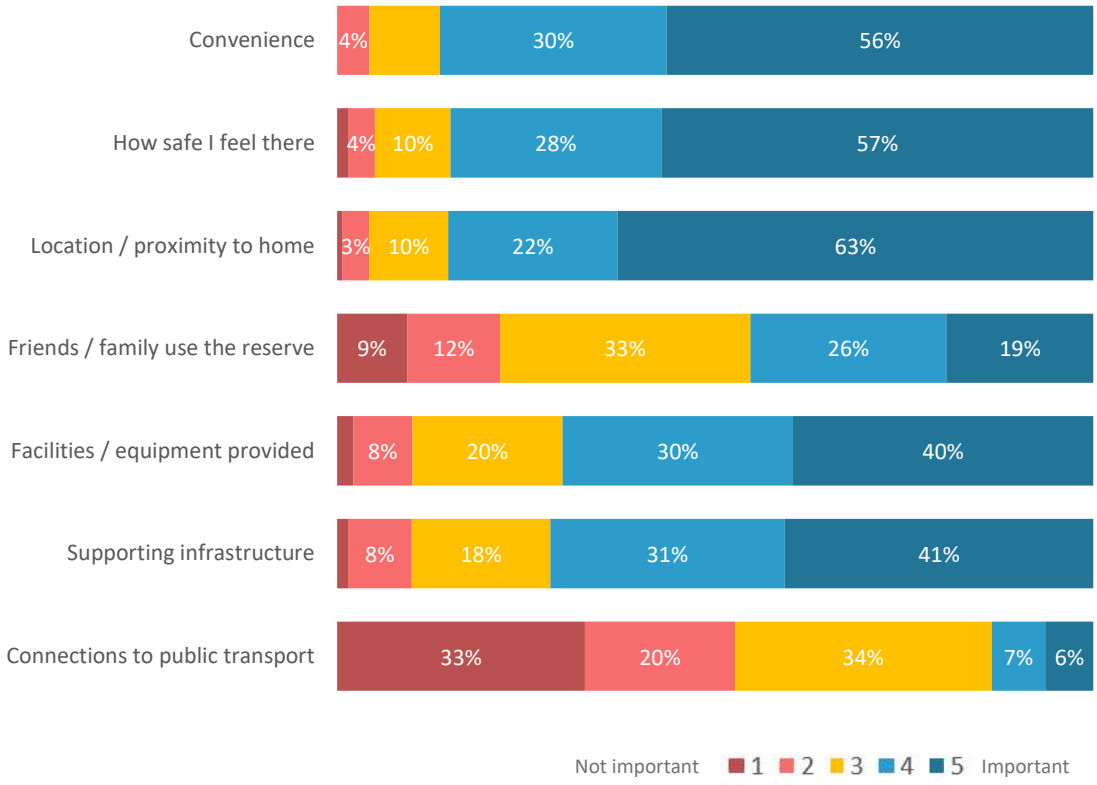
Respondents indicated that convenience, safety, proximity to home and the facilities provided have a significant impact on the use of parks for active recreation.

The top factors influencing use of parks and reserves for active recreation are convenience (86% important/very important), location/proximity to home (85% important/very important), and "how safe I feel there" (85% important/very important).

Facilities / equipment provided (70% important/very important) and supporting infrastructure (72% important/very important) were also important factors influencing use of parks and reserves for active recreation.

Interestingly, only 45% of respondents felt that friends and family using a reserve was important when they were considering use of a park or reserve for active recreation, and 13% felt public transport connections were important.

Factors affecting use of parks and reserves



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The top recreation activities that respondents participate in align with the Victorian Ausplay results, with walking (n=132), cycling (n=67) and running (n=45), the highest participation activities.

The use of outdoor fitness equipment also ranked highly, with 37 respondents indicating use. Non-organised sporting activities also rated well, with 39 responses.

Organised sport activities ranked lower, with 11 individual sport and 22 team sport responses. Activities generally aligning to young people rated low, but this may be explained by the relatively low response rate for people under the age of 25.

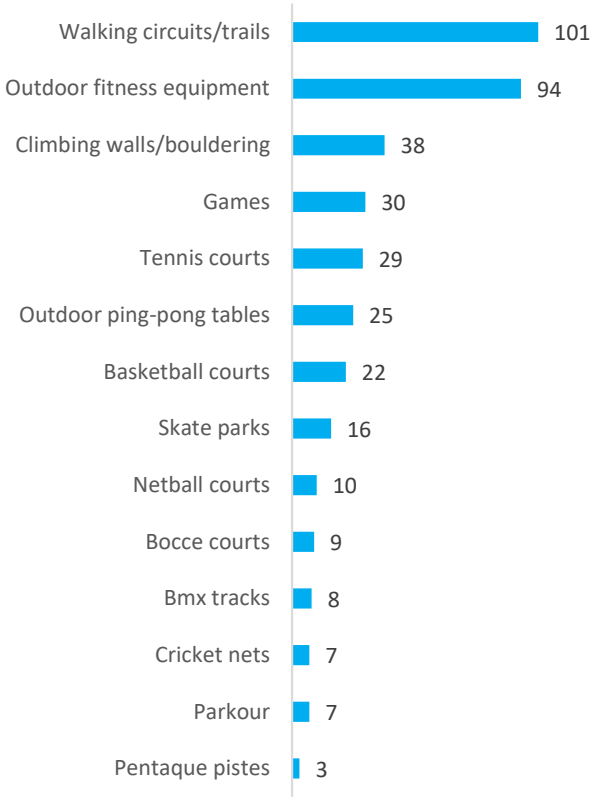
The top priorities for new active recreation facilities align with the participation trends drawn from the survey results, with walking circuits/trails (n=101) and outdoor fitness equipment (n=94) having the highest response rate.

While responses rates are lower, the survey did indicate a level of support for novel activity types such as games (n=30), climbing (n=38) and outdoor pong-pong (n=25).

Participation in Active Recreation



Top 3 Priorities for Active Recreation Facilities



YOUTH SURVEY

A total of 413 surveys responses were collected from young people via hard-copy survey.

Note: Youth survey data analysed separately

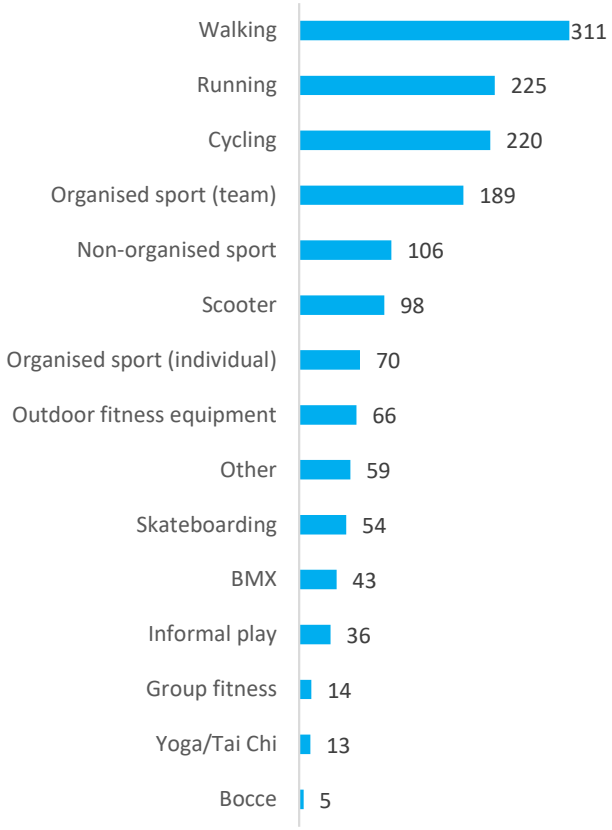
The top recreation activities that youth respondents participate in align with the Victorian Ausplay results, with walking (n=311), running (n=225) and cycling (n=220)the highest participation activities.

Organised sport activities ranked higher relative to the community survey, with 70 individual sport and 189 team sport responses. Organised sport activities are generally participated in by a higher proportion of young people. Non-organised sport activities also rated highly (n=106).

Activities such as scooter (n=98), skateboarding (n=54) and BMX (n=43) were proportionally higher than in the community survey. The use of outdoor fitness equipment also ranked lower than in the community survey, with 66 respondents indicating use.

The top priorities for new active recreation facilities were generally more evenly spread than in the community survey, with outdoor fitness equipment and walking trails equal highest (n=92), parkour (n=83), games (n=82) and basketball courts (n=75) among the top priorities.

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