City of Montgomery Survey of Residents June 2015

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Household Survey of 4025 City Residents

April 27 – May 15, 2015

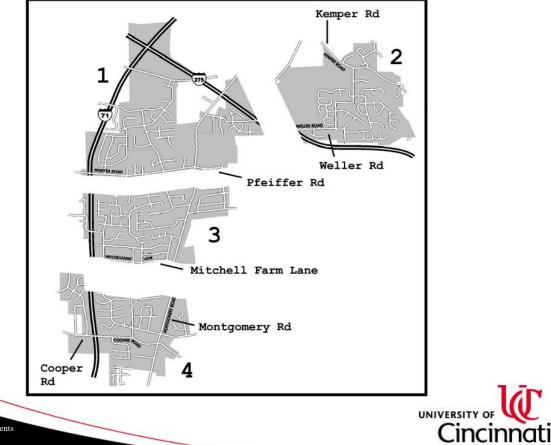
Mail Invitations, Responses by Mail and Web

911 City Residents Responded

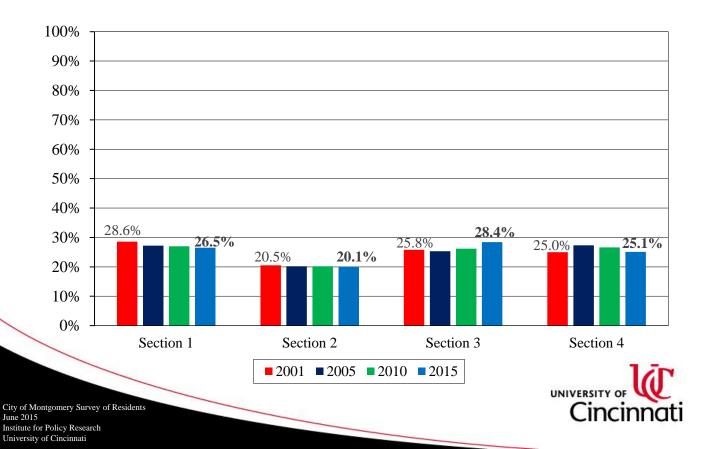
Response Rate: 23%

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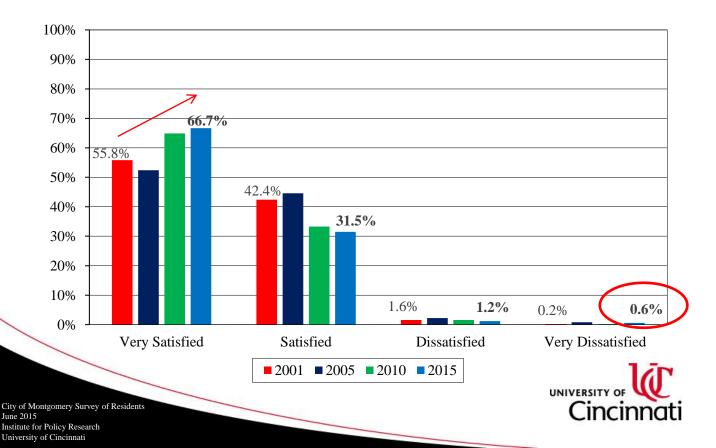
Geographic Sections of the City of Montgomery



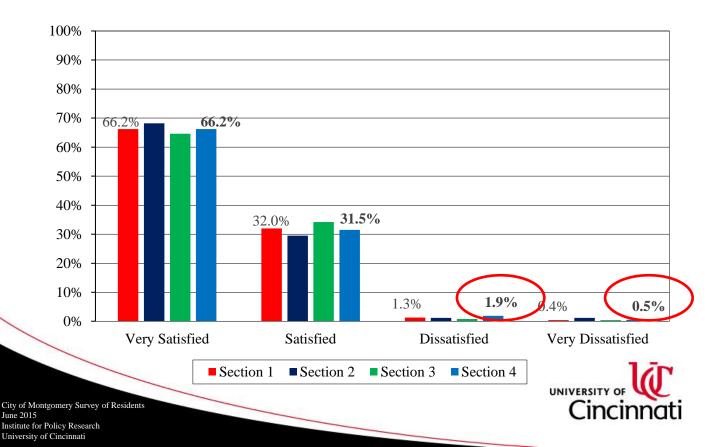
Distribution of Survey Respondents Among City of Montgomery Geographic Sections



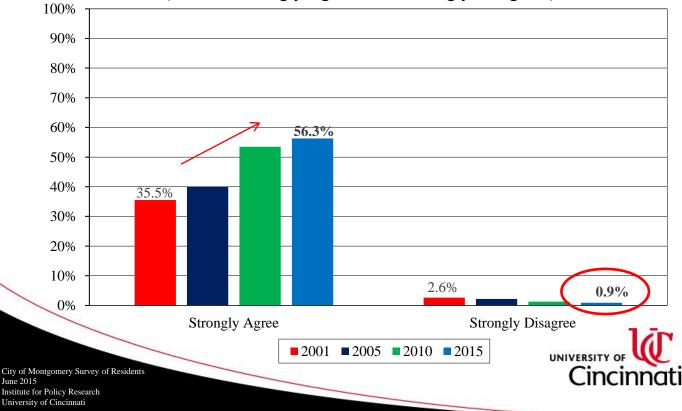
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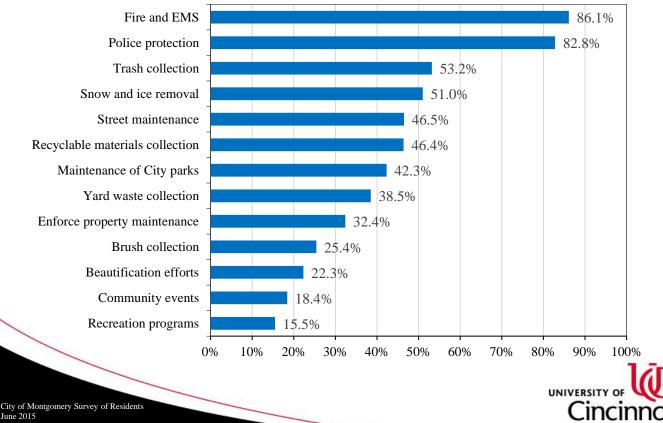
Consistent Satisfaction with Quality of Life in Montgomery

Consistently Low Dissatisfaction

Increasingly Strong Agreement with Statement: 'The municipal services provided to my household are a good value for the property tax dollars I/we pay?'

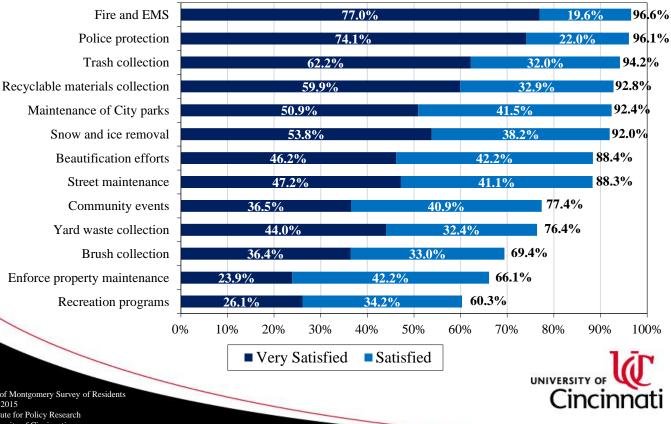


Importance of City Services (Percent "Extremely Important")



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Satisfaction with City Services (Percent "Very Satisfied" or "Satisfied")

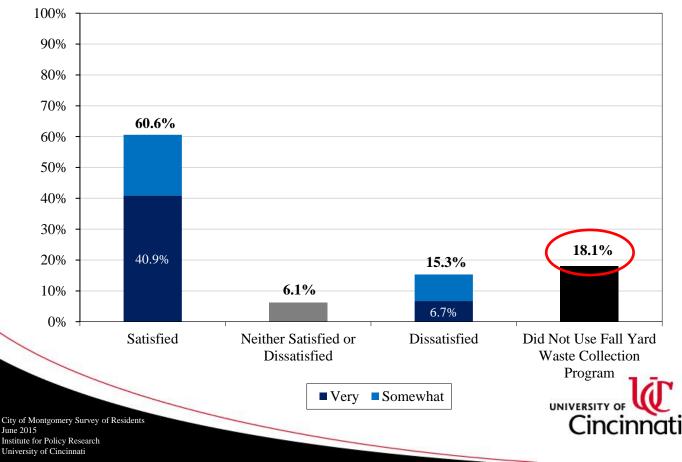


High Levels of Satisfaction with City Services

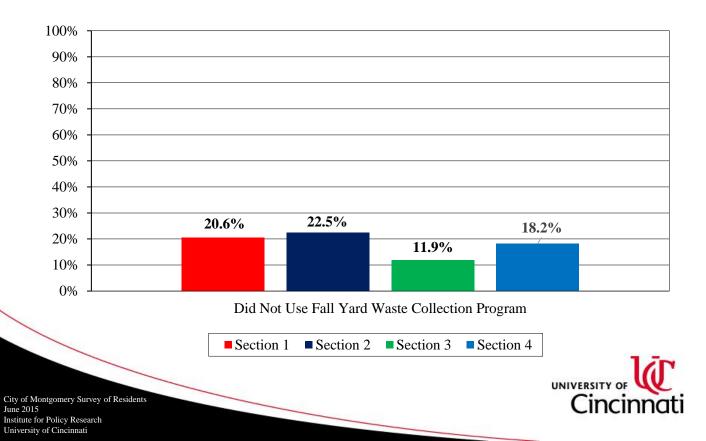
High Levels of Satisfaction with "Extremely Important" Services



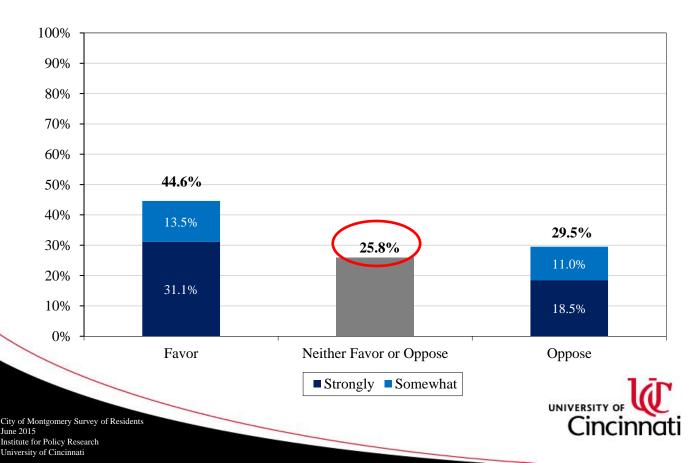
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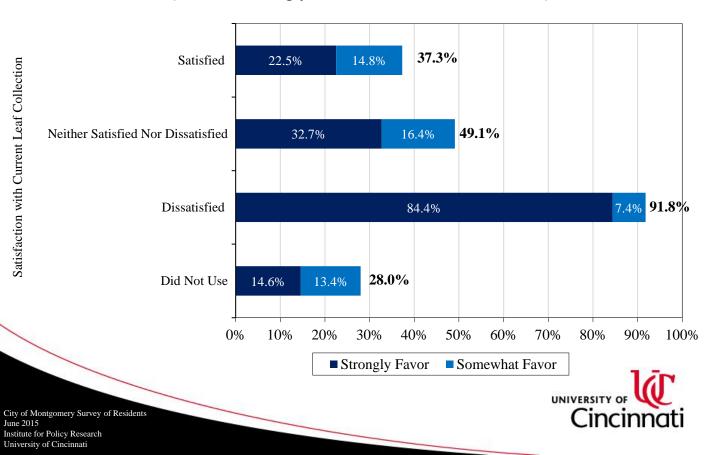
"How satisfied would you say you are with the City of Montgomery's unlimited fall yard waste collection program?" (Percent "**Did not use** fall yard waste collection program")



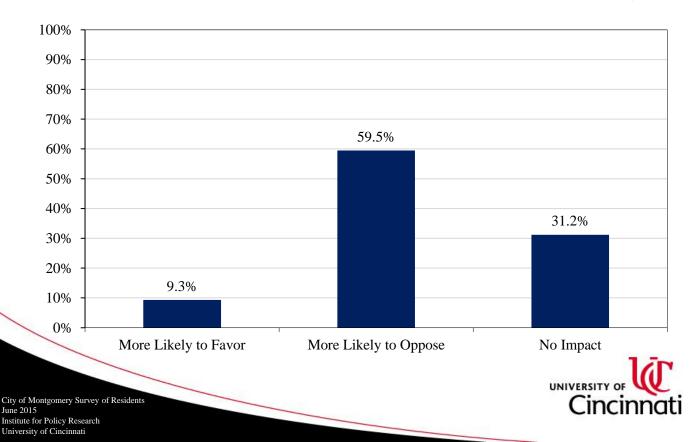
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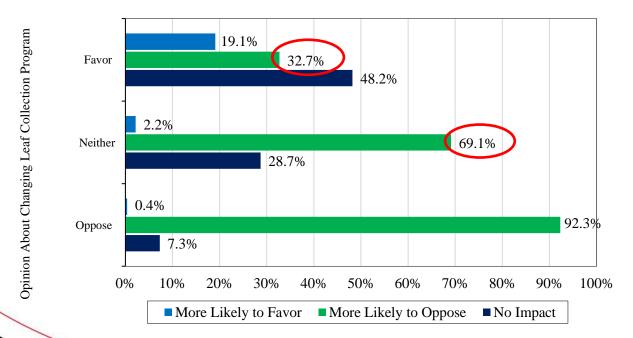
"Would your household favor or oppose replacing the current leaf collection program with a leaf vacuuming service?" (Percent "Strongly Favor" and "Somewhat Favor")



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Most *who use* Current Leaf System are "Satisfied" with System

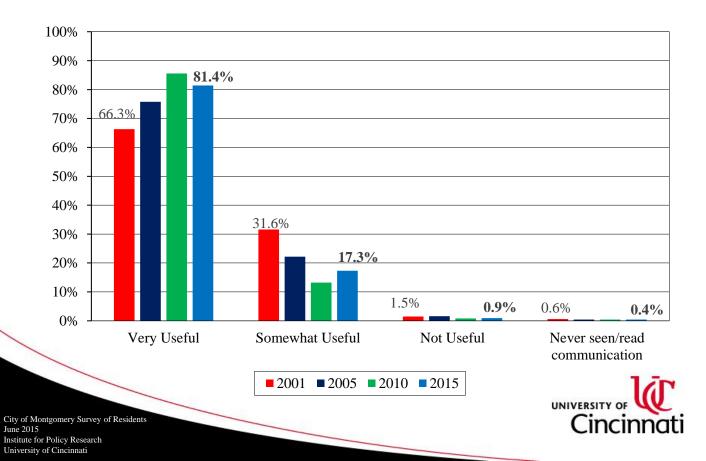
About 1 in 5 Do Not Use Current System

More Residents Favor *than* Oppose Changing System, with *High Percentage of "Don't Know" Responses*

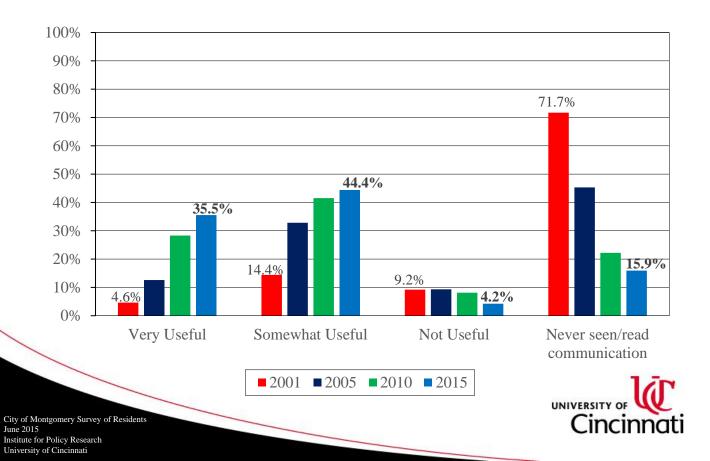
These Questions <u>Cannot</u> be used as a Proxy for Opinion about a <u>Specific System or Specific Fee</u>, and Suggest Additional Policy Discussion between Citizens and City may be Necessary



Usefulness of Monthly City of Montgomery Newsletter



Usefulness of Montgomery Web Site

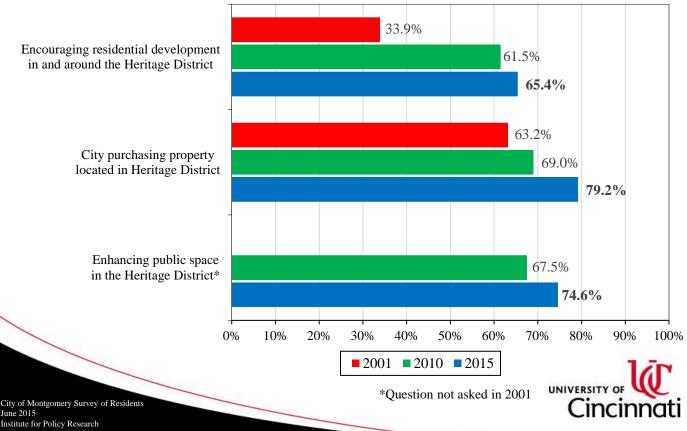


Key Montgomery Communication Tools Continue to Be Seen As Useful

Growing Familiarity with Montgomery Website



Percent Favoring Heritage District Development Options (Percent Favor Either "Strongly" or "Somewhat")



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Residents Continue to Favor:

Enhancing public space in the Heritage District

City purchasing property located in the Heritage District

Encouraging residential development in and around the Heritage District



SURVEY RESEARCH and STRATEGIC PLANNING

Survey Research is One Important Part of an Information Gathering "Puzzle"

Survey Research Results Should be used to Inform Decision-making but not *"Drive"* or *Make* Decisions





Questions





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