



City of Mississauga Citizen Satisfaction Survey Final Research Results

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• A survey has been conducted using Computer-Assisted-Telephone-Interviewing (CATI) methodology of randomly selected Mississauga residents over the age of 18. The key findings are highlighted in this summary.

Overall Satisfaction & Quality of Life

- There is continued high satisfaction among residents regarding the quality of life in Mississauga. Overall, 72% of residents are satisfied with the municipal government and 81% are satisfied with the services provided by the City.
- This high level of satisfaction is also seen with 89% of respondents rating their quality of life as excellent or good.
- Mississauga also saw a steady increase in scores relating to Mississauga being an open and welcoming community (90%, up 3%), resident pride and saying they are from the City (88%, up 4%), the City's vibrancy (85%, up 3%) and that the City is moving in the right direction (77%, up 1%).
- A majority of residents (82%) believe that diversity in Mississauga is one of its strengths.
- Most quality of life aspects have either remained statistically the same since 2017 or have slightly increased.

Value for Taxes

- Mississauga residents showed a slight decrease in their satisfaction levels regarding value for taxes relative to the service s provided by the City, with 58% indicating they are somewhat or very satisfied (down 5% from 2017).
- A trend has appeared where there has been a continued growth of preference regarding the increase of taxes at the rate of inflation to maintain services (56%, up 1%), and a decline in the proportion of respondents that prefer to reduce taxes and cut services (9%, down 2%).
- There continues to be a relatively equal proportion of those that believe the City services and programs should be paid for by everyone through general tax revenue (55%, an increase of 7%), and those that felt they should be paid primary through user fees (45%, a decrease of 7%).





Communication & Citizen Engagement

- A significant proportion of residents expressed satisfaction with the amount of information received from the City (62%, an increase of 11%). Respondents continue to be most interested in getting information about City taxes and budget (30%, a decrease of 6%), general news/information and updates (25%, an increase of 4%) and building/zoning and development information (21%, a decrease of 1%).
- There is an increase with satisfaction regarding the meaningful opportunities offered by the City to engage or to be consulted on important mattered (59%, an increase of 4%).
- Residents were most engaged with surveys organized by the City (31%), public meetings (22%) and both open houses organized by the City and meetings organized by their Ward Councillors (15%).
- Of those who participated in citizen engagement activities, residents were most satisfied with open houses organized by the City (77%, up 2%), meetings organized by ward councilor (74%, up 8%) and roundtable events organized by the City (71%, up 4%).

Road Services

- Satisfaction with Mississauga's Road Services remains relatively the same at 69% who are satisfied (down 1%).
- Road safety (73%) and snow removal (68%) experienced a decline of 6% and 4% respectively.
- Satisfaction with experience using roads in Mississauga is highest among those who are a passenger in a friend or family member's car (79%).
- The lowest satisfaction rating was with those who are cyclists, however, it should be noted that 50% of respondents were very satisfied or somewhat satisfied.





MiWay

- Satisfaction with MiWay transit services remained steady at 66% (down 2%). The majority of aspects regarding the quality
 of transit services remained at a similar level as 2017, demonstrating stability in transit services. Residents were most
 satisfied with safety (89%, down 1%), cleanliness (81%, up 2%) and customer service (79%). There was a notable
 significant increase with satisfaction regarding the reliability of buses at 76%, compared to 69% in 2017.
- An area of improvement would be the frequency of buses; however it is noted that satisfaction remain relatively high at 62% for this particular service.

Library Services

- There is a continued high level of satisfaction with library services with 90% (unchanged) who are satisfied. All aspects with the quality of library services saw an increase in satisfaction. Residents were most satisfied with customer service (93, up 3%), convenience of locations (92%, up 1%) and quality of physical materials (89%, up 4%).
- There was a significant increase in satisfaction with quality of emarterials with 83% who are satisfied, up 10% from 2017.

Stormwater

- Mississauga residents indicated broad satisfaction with the City's stormwater services with 77% being satisfied or extremely satisfied.
- Respondents were most satisfied with the drainage of rain water as a stormwater service with 77% who are satisfied.
- The indicator with the lowest satisfaction was the City's flood prevention information with 59% indicating they were satisfied or very satisfied.



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Land Development Services

- There was a modest decrease in satisfaction regarding land development services from 64% to 59%.
- Though there was a decrease in the overall satisfaction rating, there was an increase in most categories associated with Land Development Services. Respondents were most satisfied with the variety of restaurants/shopping districts/social paces and events at 83%, an increase of 7%. There was an increase of 4% with public gather spaces (68%) and anticipating future needs of the City (56%).
- The lowest level of satisfaction was affordability of housing in Mississauga with a 28% satisfaction rating. However, that is an increase of 3% from 2017.

Regulatory Services

- Satisfaction with regulatory services has seen an increase since 2015. 70% are satisfied with regulatory services in 2019, compared to 68% in 2017 and 66% in 2015.
- Though there has been an overall increase in satisfaction, there was a decrease in most categories associated with regulatory services. Residents are most satisfied with maintaining order and safety (83%, down 3%).
- Though the ease of business licensing and permit process has the lowest satisfaction rating of 66%, that is an increase of 2% from 2017.

Arts, Culture and Heritage

- There is a high level of satisfaction with arts, culture and heritage services with 75% who are satisfied (an increase of 4%).
- All aspects with the quality of arts and culture services remained steady with the exception of identification and preservation of heritage properties, which has a satisfaction increase of 6% from 61% to 67%.





Recreation Services

- Satisfaction with recreation services is high at 85% (down 1%). The satisfaction rating regarding quality of recreation services remains steady. Respondents were most satisfied with the helpfulness of staff (87%) and convenience of location (86%).
- The lowest level of satisfaction was regarding the affordability of programs and activities. However, the level of satisfaction was still high at 74%.

Parks and Forestry

- Most residents are satisfied with Parks and Forestry Services in Mississauga (84%), statistically unchanged from 2017.
- Protection of the City of Mississauga's tree canopy and habitats saw the largest increase (4%) over 2017 results with 78%.
- Most other categories for the quality of parks and forestry services have a satisfaction level that is similar to the results from 2017.
- Washroom facilities remains as the area with the lowest satisfaction level at 57% (unchanged since 2017).

Environment

- 82% of residents think the air, water and land quality is excellent or good, an increase of 4%.
- There was a significant increase in the satisfaction level regarding the job Mississauga is doing to protect the environment from 84% in 2017 to 92% in 2019.







Project Overview Background, Objectives and Methodology

Background, Objectives, and Methodology

- The City of Mississauga required a professional market research firm to carry out a high-quality survey research concerning citizen satisfaction of various public services.
- Forum Research carried out the research study utilizing a telephone survey research methodology (CATI).
- This survey was conducted from June 3rd to June 22nd, 2019.
- Surveying was conducted with adult (18+) respondents.
 - Surveying was conducted with n=1124 Mississauga residents.
 - The volume of surveys ensured that an MoE of +/- 2.92% was obtained for the sample group.
- The survey was 30 minutes in length.
- Results of this survey are weighed by Ward, age and gender, therefore, results are representative of the population.
- This report will focus on the final results of this survey.
- Results may not equal to 100% due to rounding and the data shows total valid responses only.

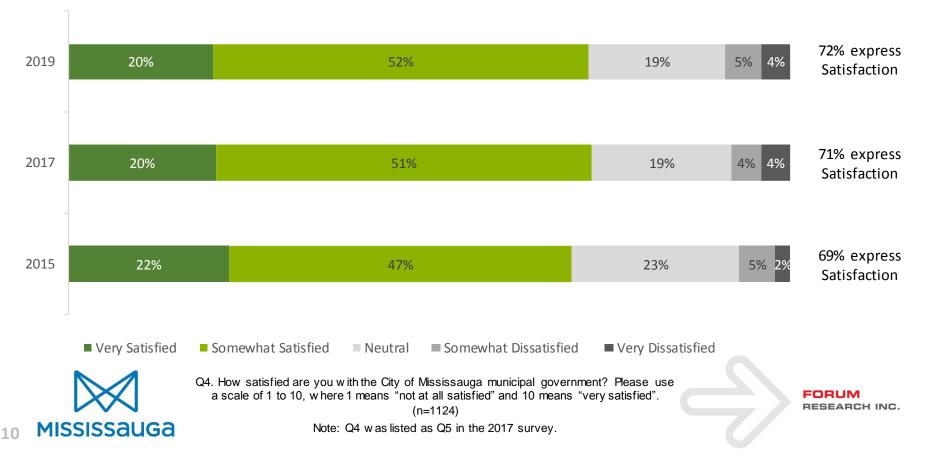






Detailed Findings Overall Satisfaction

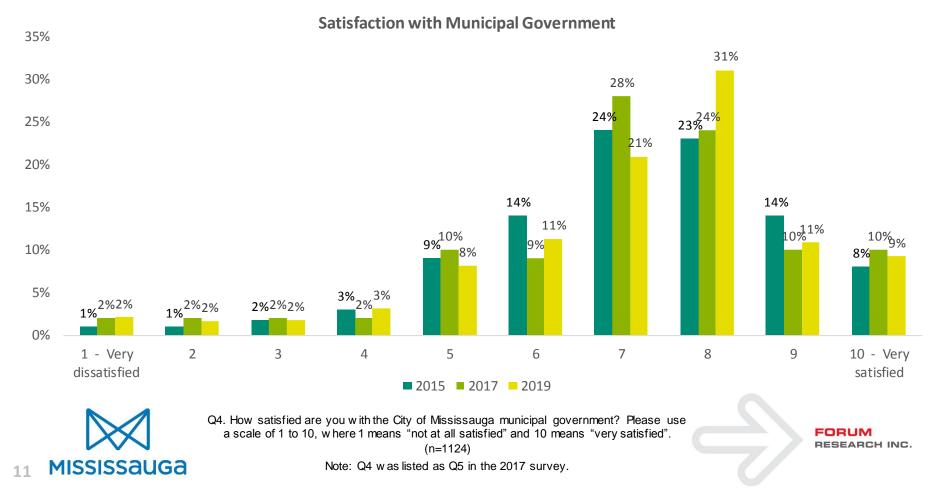
- There has been no statistically significant change since 2015 regarding the level of satisfaction with Mississauga's municipal government.
- 7 in 10 (72%) are satisfied with Mississauga's municipal government with 1 in 5 (20%) who are very satisfied and half (52%) who are somewhat satisfied.



Satisfaction with Municipal Government

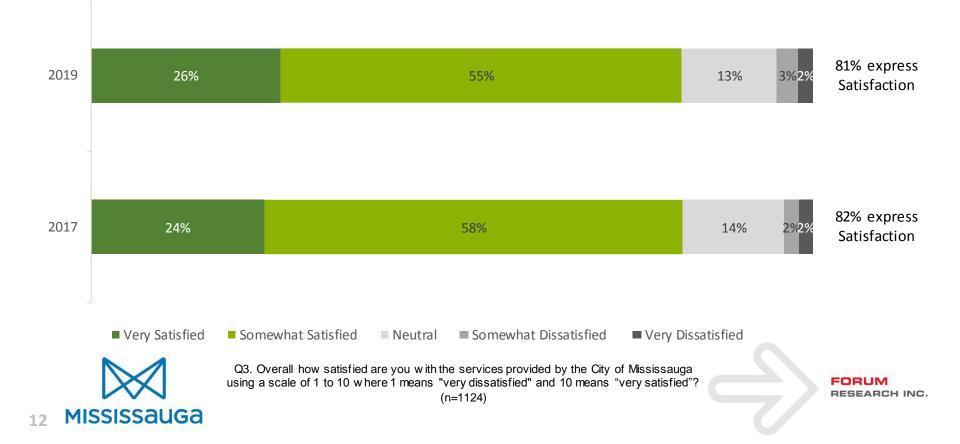
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- The figure below shows the complete distribution of responses for the question about satisfaction with the municipal government
- 3 in 10 (31%) rated their satisfaction level as an 8, a comparable difference when looking at 2017 where quarter (24%) rated their satisfaction as an 8.

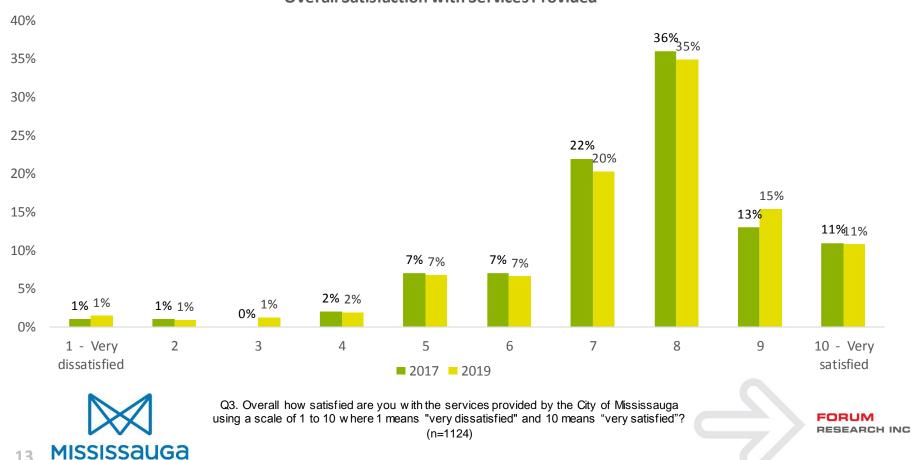


- Overall satisfaction levels with the services provided by the City of Mississauga have remained steady since 2017.
- 8 in 10 (81%) are satisfied with the services provided by the City with half (55%) who are somewhat satisfied and over a quarter who are very satisfied (26%).

Overall Satisfaction with Services Provided



- The figure below shows the complete distribution of responses for the question about satisfaction with the services provided by the City of Mississauga.
- The results for 2019 are similar to the results from 2017, with very little notable differences between the two surveys.

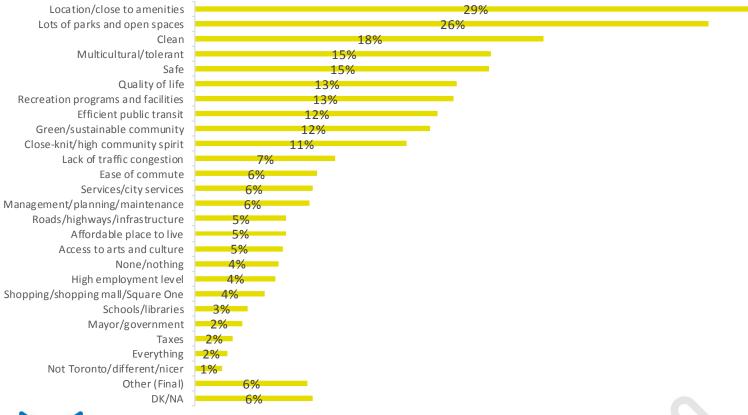


Overall Satisfaction with Services Provided

Detailed Findings Quality of Life

Quality of Life

• The top 3 elements that makes Mississauga so appealing has remained the same since 2017. Location/close to amenities (29%), lots of parks and open spaces (26%) and cleanliness (18%) remain as the most appealing items about Mississauga.



Most Appealing Elements of Mississauga

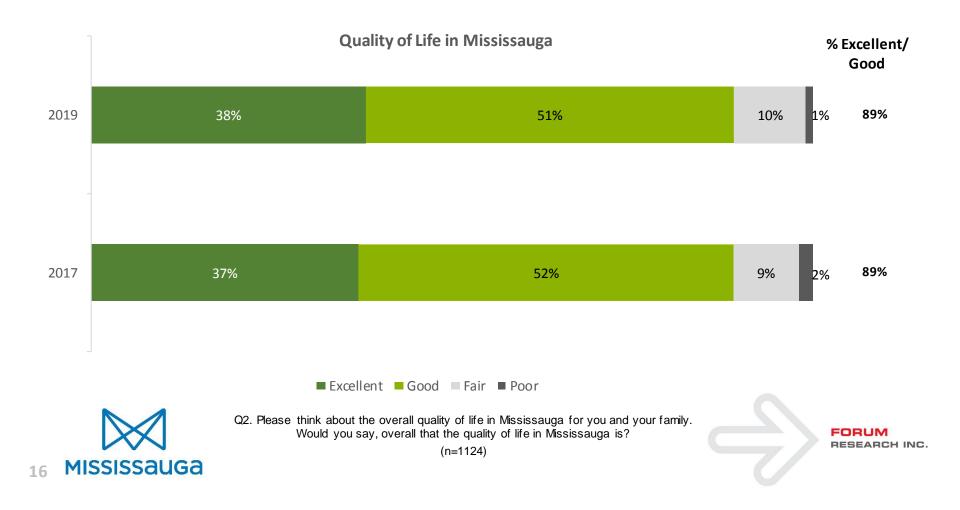


Q1. What, in your opinion, would you say are the most appealing things about Mississauga? (n=1124)

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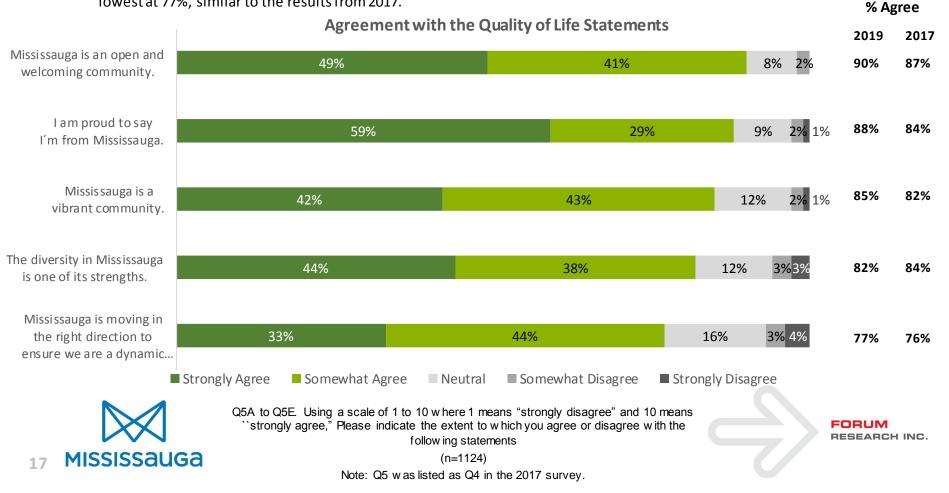
Quality of Life

- Overall, the level of satisfaction with Mississauga's Quality of Life has remained the same since 2017. 89% of residents rate the Quality of Life as excellent or good.
- Half of respondents (51%) rate the Quality of Life as good while over a third (38%) rate it as excellent.



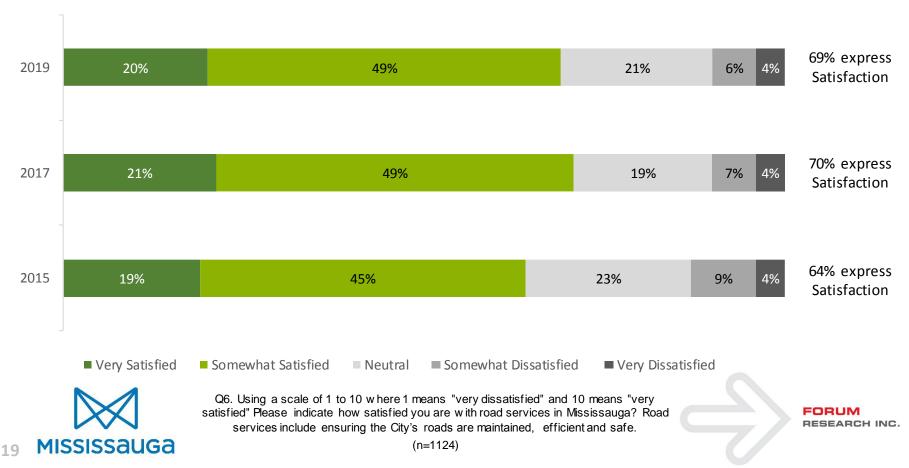
Quality of Life

- The statement, *I am proud to say I'm from Mississauga*, saw a steady growth in the level of agreement from 2017 (84%) to 2019 (88%). *Mississauga is an open and welcoming community* and *Mississauga is a vibrant community* saw a 3% growth from 2017 to 2019.
- *Mississauga is moving in the right direction to ensure we are a dynamic and beautiful global city* has been rated the lowest at 77%, similar to the results from 2017.



Detailed Findings Road Services

- 7 in 10 (69%) are satisfied with the road services in Mississauga which is a similar result as the 2017 survey.
- Half (49%) are somewhat satisfied with the road services in Mississauga ad 1 in 5 (20%) are very satisfied.



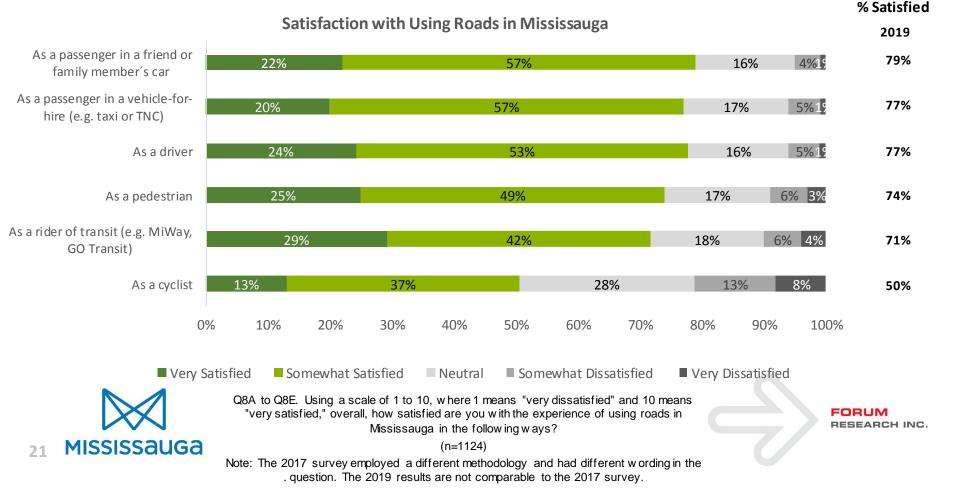
Satisfaction with Road Services

Overall, 8 in 10 (82%) respondents are satisfied with street lighting with almost half (46%) who are somewhat satisfied ٠ and a third (36%) who are very satisfied. 7 in 10 (73%) are satisfied with road safety, a 6% decreased from 2017 (79%). ٠ The level of satisfaction regarding the condition of roads in Mississauga was 74%. This question was new for the 2019 ٠ edition of the citizen satisfaction survey. % Satisfied Satisfaction with Road Services 2019 2017 Street 82% 36% 13% 83% 46% lighting Condition 18% 56% 18% 6% 74% N/A of the road Road 73% 20% 19% 5% 79% 53% safety Snow 23% 45% 21% 7% 68% 72% 4% removal Very Satisfied Somewhat Satisfied Somewhat Dissatisfied Very Dissatisfied Neutral Q7A to Q7D. Using a scale of 1 to 10, where 1 means "very dissatisfied" and 10 means "very satisfied" overall, how satisfied are you with the quality of the following road services FORUM **RESEARCH INC** in Mississauga?

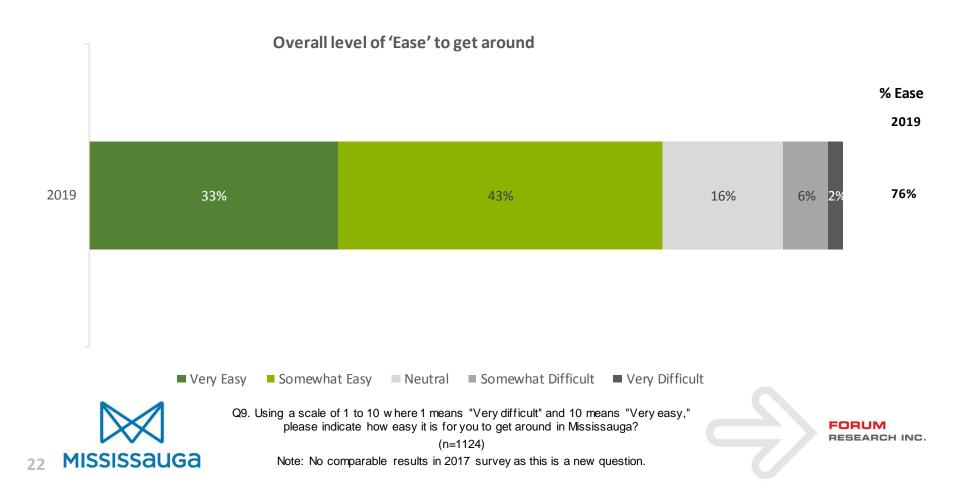
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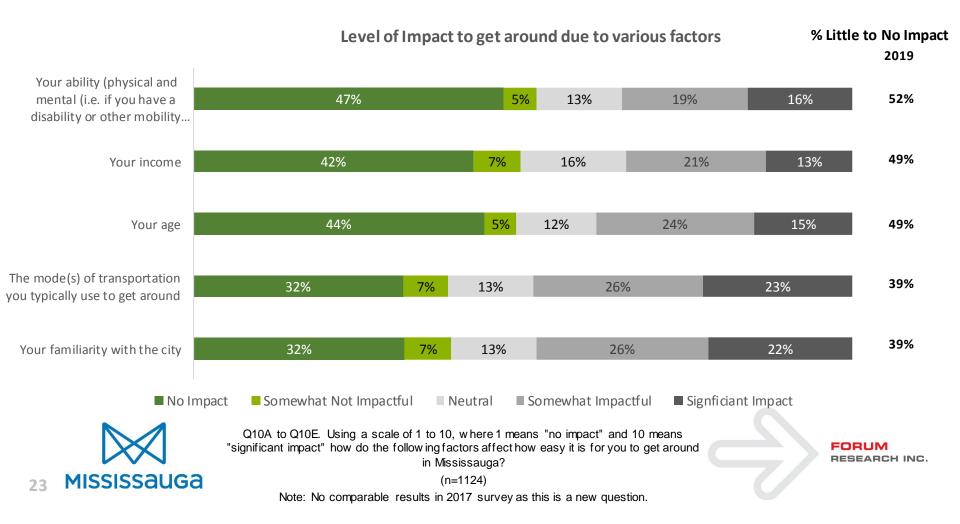
- The level of satisfaction for using roads in Mississauga was highest for those who are a passenger in a friend or family member's car at 79%.
- Passenger in a vehicle-for-hire and drivers also had a high level of satisfaction with over three quarters (77%) who are satisfied with their experience using roads in Mississauga.
- Cyclist had the lowest level of satisfaction with half (50%) rating their experience as somewhat satisfied or very satisfied.



- 76% of residents find it 'Easy' to get around in Mississauga, which is a high level of satisfaction.
- 4 in 10 (43%) find it 'somewhat easy' while a third (33%) find it very easy to get around Mississauga.



• The factors that had the most amount of impact is the mode of transportation typically used to get around (52%) and their familiarity with the City (51%).

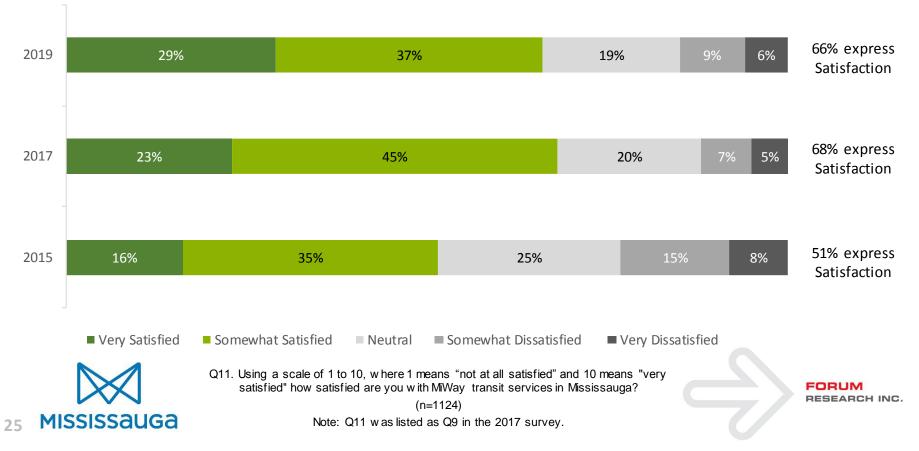




Detailed Findings MiWay Services

MiWay Services

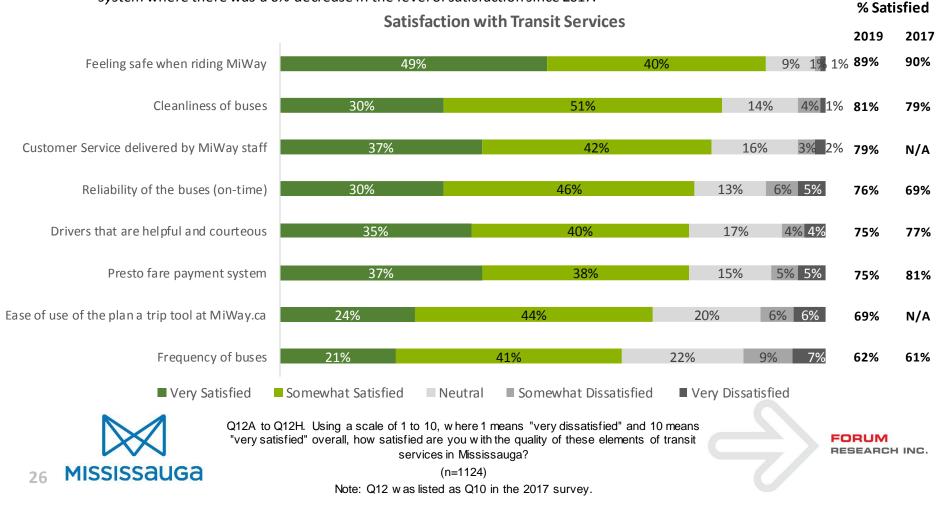
- Overall satisfaction with MiWay Transit services has remained steady with 66% of respondents who are satisfied with MiWay services in 2019 compared to 68% who were satisfied in 2017.
- When comparing those who are 'very satisfied', there has been a significant improvement with 29% who are very satisfied in 2019 compared to 23% in 2017 and 16% in 2015.



Satisfaction with MiWay Transit

MiWay Services

- There was a significant improvement with the *reliability of buses (on-time)* with 76% of respondents indicating they were satisfied in 2019, compared to 69% in 2017.
- Most MiWay indicators have remained at a similar level to the 2017 results. An exception is the *presto fare payment system* where there was a 6% decrease in the level of satisfaction since 2017.

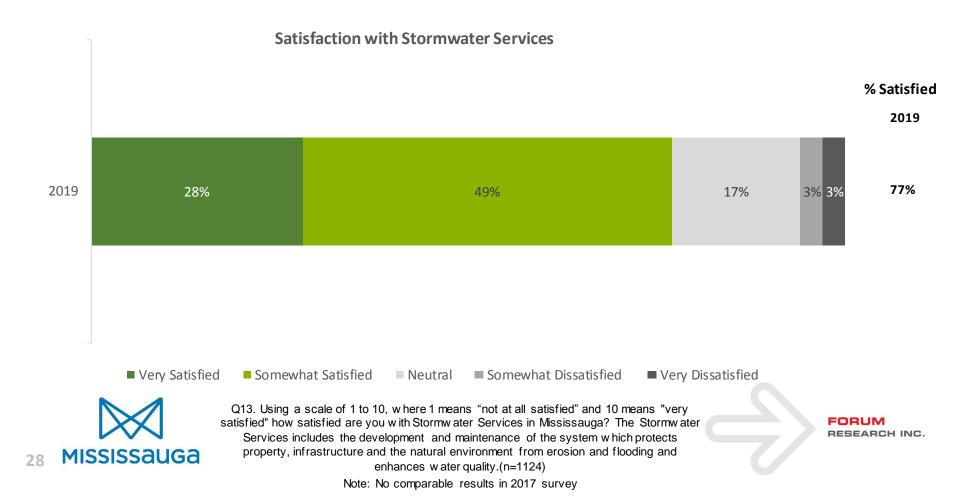




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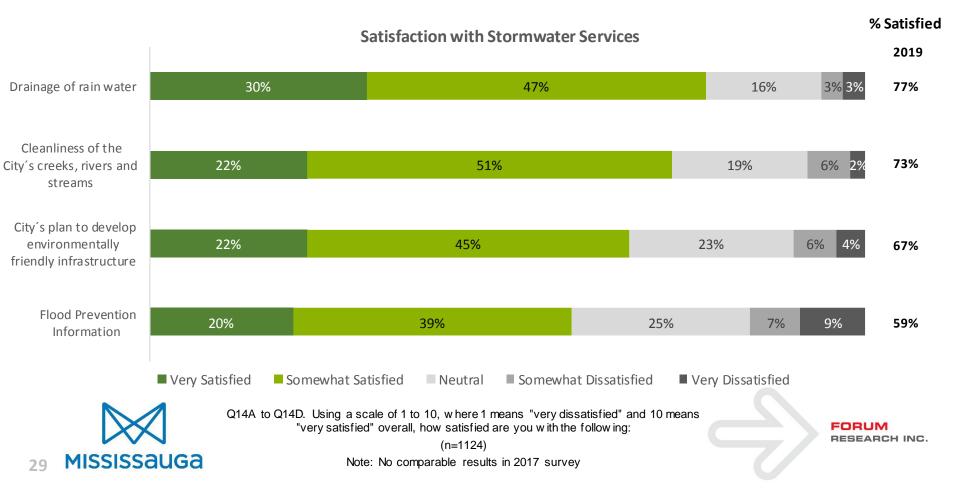
Stormwater Services

- Overall satisfaction regarding Stormwater Services in Mississauga is high with 7 in 10 (77%) who are satisfied with the service.
- Half of respondents (49%) who are somewhat satisfied and 3 in 10 (28%) who are very satisfied.



Stormwater Services

- Respondents were most satisfied with the drainage of rain water as a stormwater service with 77% who are satisfied.
- An area for improvement is with *Flood Prevention Information*. 6 in 10 (59%) are satisfied with *Flood Prevention Information*.

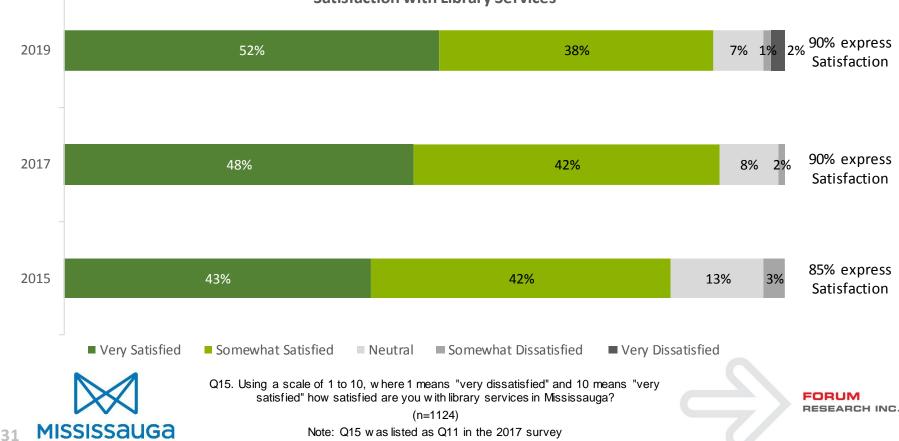




Detailed Findings Library Services

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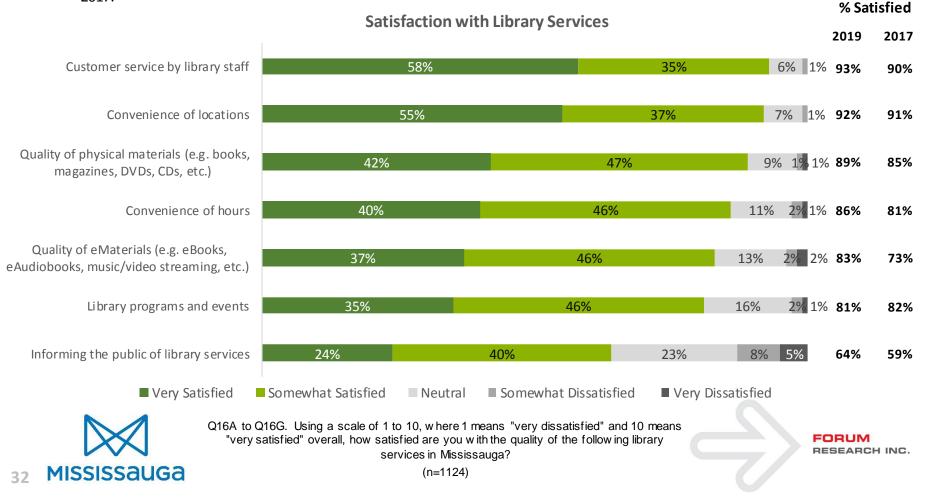
- Library services remain a high value for Mississauga's residents, with 90% who are satisfied with the services.
- Satisfaction with library services has remained steady with a 5% increase in satisfaction from 2015 to 2019.
- Over half of respondents (52%) are very satisfied with the library services provided.



Satisfaction with Library Services

Library Services

- All library services satisfaction have remained at a similar level or have increased since 2017. There is a statistically significant increase of 10% for Quality of eMaterials.
- Though *information the public of library services* received the lowest satisfaction rating of 64%, that is a 5% increase since 2017.

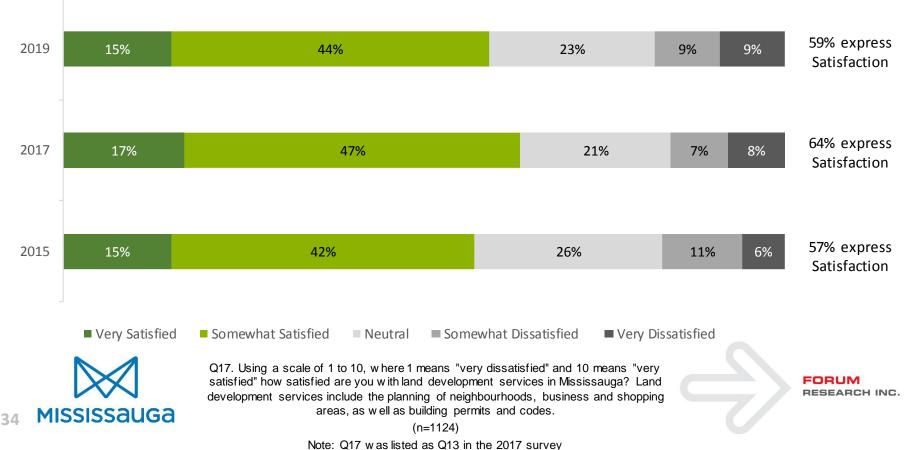




Detailed Findings Land Development Services

Land Development

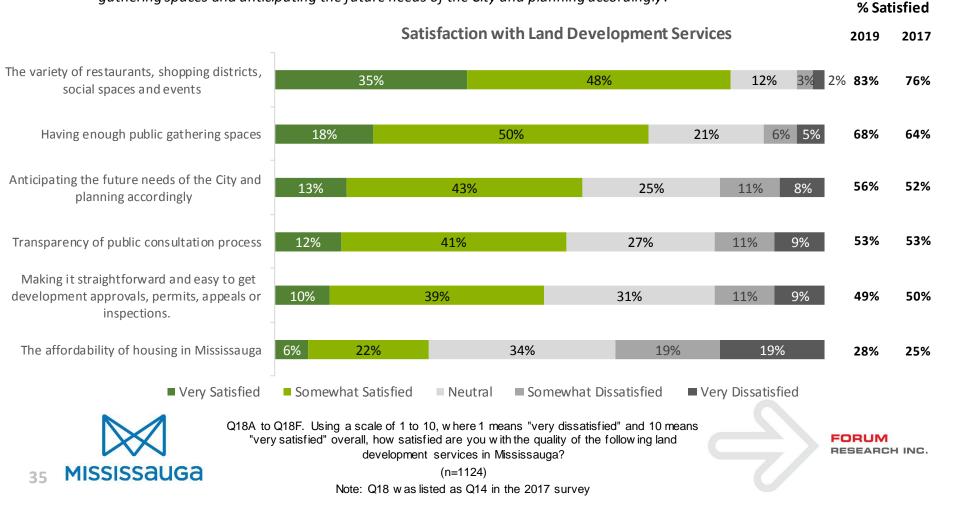
- Satisfaction regarding land development services has modestly decreased 5% since 2017 from 64% to 59%.
- 4 in 10 (44%) are somewhat satisfied with the land development services and 1 in 7 (15%) are very satisfied.



Satisfaction with Land Development Services

Land Development

- There is a notably significant increase regarding *variety of results, shopping districts, social space and events* from 2017 (76%) to 2019 (83%).
- Most land services had a similar satisfaction level as the 2017 survey. There was a 4% increase with having *enough public* gathering spaces and anticipating the future needs of the City and planning accordingly.



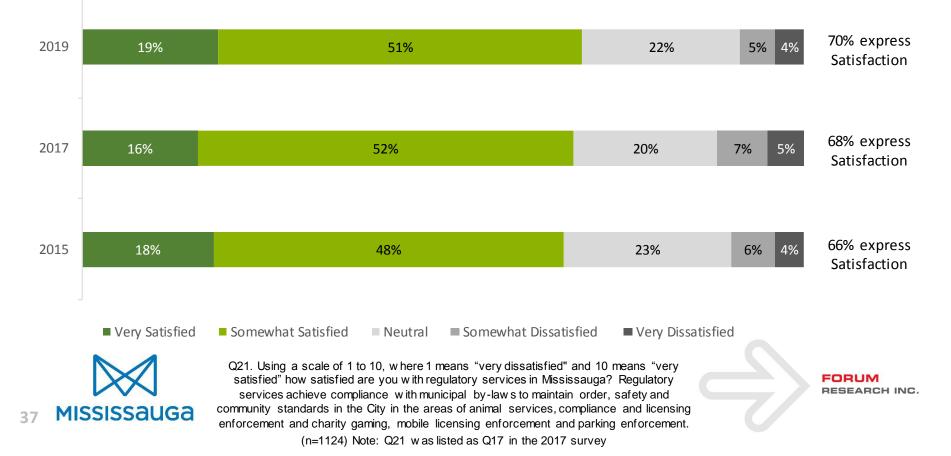


Detailed Findings Regulatory Services

Regulatory Services

- Residents expressed a satisfaction level of 70% with regulatory services in the City. This is a slight increase from 2017 and 2015 results where satisfaction levels were 68% and 66% respectively.
- Half of residents (51%) are somewhat satisfied while 1 in 5 (19%) are very satisfied.

Satisfaction with Regulatory Services



Regulatory Services

All comparable results saw a slight decline in satisfaction levels with the exception of ease of business licensing and permit process, where there was a 2% increase from 64% to 66%. The most significant decline was in by-law enforcement where there was a 5% decrease. 8 in 10 (83%) are satisfied with the City maintaining order and safety. % Satisfied Satisfaction with Quality of Regulatory Services 2019 2017 Maintaining order and 31% 83% 86% 52% 13% 2% 2% safety Administration of pet 28% 21% 47% 2%2% 75% N/A licensing Maintaining community and 53% 19% 6% 3% 73% 77% 20% property standards Provisions of animal and 20% 48% 23% 5% 3% 68% N/A wildlife services and... By-law enforcement 19% 48% 21% 6% 6% 67% 72% Ease of business licensing 16% 4% 3% 50% 27% 66% 64% and permit process 0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% 60% 70% 80% 90% 100%

Very Satisfied

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Somewhat Satisfied Neutral Somewhat Satisfied

Somewhat Dissatisfied

Very Dissatisfied

Q22A to Q22F. Using a scale of 1 to 10, where 1 means "very dissatisfied" and 10 means "very satisfied" overall, how satisfied are you with the quality of the following regulatory services in Mississauga?

(n=1124)

Note: Q22 was listed as Q18 in the 2017 survey

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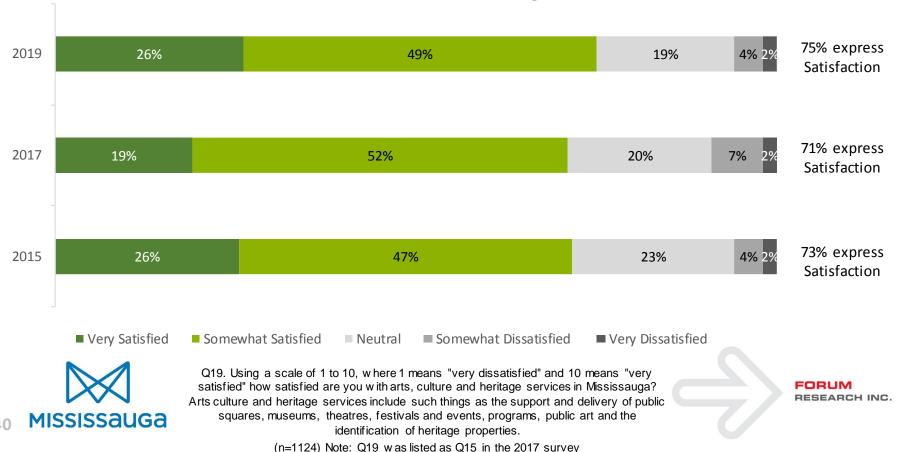
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Detailed Findings Arts and Culture Services

Arts, Culture & Heritage

- Satisfaction with arts, culture and heritage remains high with three quarters who are satisfied (75%), a 4% increase since 2017.
- Half of respondents (49%) are somewhat satisfied and a quarter (26%) who are very satisfied.



Satisfaction with Arts, Culture & Heritage Services

Arts, Culture & Heritage

- Overall satisfaction is lowest for opportunities to experience temporary and permanent public art installations at 61%.
- Three guarters (75%) are satisfied with opportunities to attend and participate in art and cultures festivals, events and • programs.
- There was a notable increase in satisfaction regarding identification and preservation of heritage properties from 2017 % Satisfied (61%) to 2019 (67%). Satisfaction with Arts, Culture and Heritage Services

28% 75% 76% 47% 19% 4%2% 70% 19% 51% 23% 6% 2% N/A 20% 23% 50% 5%2% 70% 74% 6% 3% 20% 47% 24% 67% 61% 15% 48% 26% 63% 7% 14% 59% 61% 64% 14% 47% 30% 6% 4% Somewhat Satisfied Somewhat Dissatisfied Very Dissatisfied Neutral Q20A to Q20F. Using a scale of 1 to 10, where 1 means "very dissatisfied" and 10 means "very satisfied" specifically how satisfied are you with the quality of the following arts, FORUM RESEARCH INC culture and heritage services in Mississauga? (n=1124) Note: Q20 was listed as Q16 in the 2017 survey

Opportunities to attend and participate in arts and culture festivals, events and programs

- Quality and availability of registered arts programs in City facilities
- Quality and availability of venues for arts and culture activities
- Identification and preservation of heritage properties
- Level of municipal financial support for arts, culture and heritage

Opportunities to experience temporary and permanent public art installations

Very Satisfied



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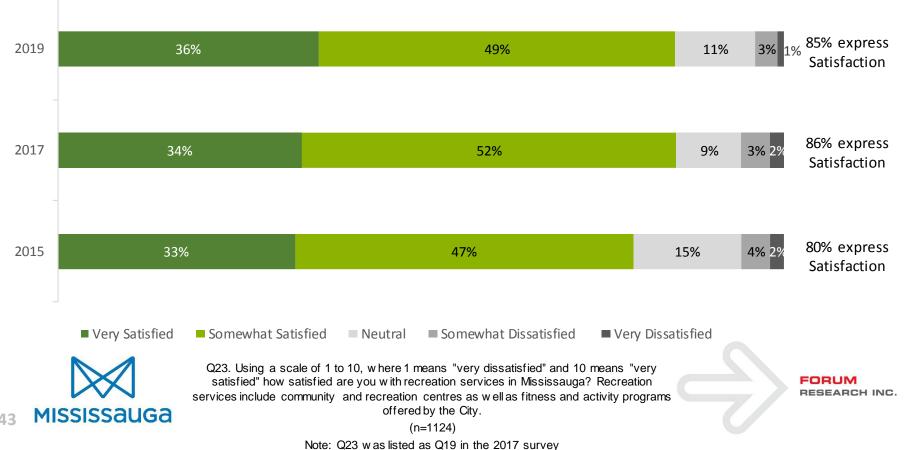
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Detailed Findings Recreation Services

Recreation Services

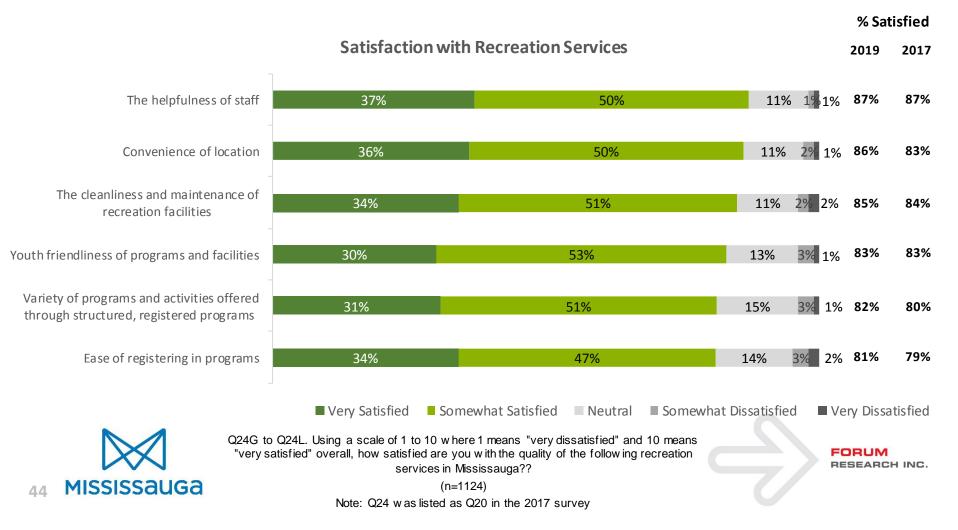
- The overall level of satisfaction with recreation services has largely remained the same with 85% who are satisfied. There is no statistical difference from the 2017 survey.
- Half (49%) are somewhat satisfied while over a third (36%) are very satisfied with recreation services.



Satisfaction with Recreation Services

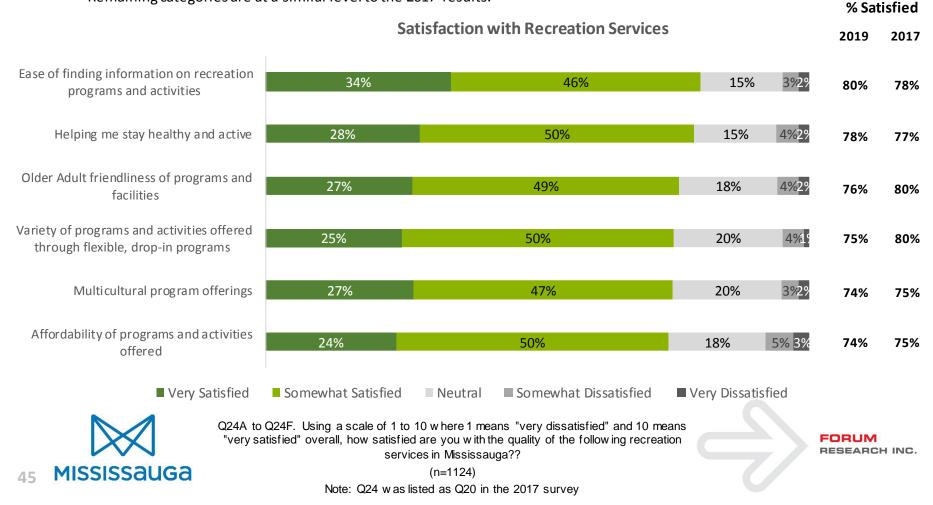
Recreation Services

- Overall satisfaction for each service remains high with the highest degree of satisfaction at 87% for helpfulness of staff.
- Most recreation indicators are at a comparably similar level as the 2017 survey with around half respondents who have rated each individual service as somewhat satisfied (47% to 53%) and a third as very satisfied (30% to 37%).



Recreation Services

- Satisfaction remains high even with the lowest rated recreation indicators. Three quarters are satisfied with affordability of programs and activities (74%), multicultural program offerings (74%) and variety of programs an activities offered through flexible, drop-in programs (75%).
- Remaining categories are at a similar level to the 2017 results.





Detailed Findings Parks and Forestry

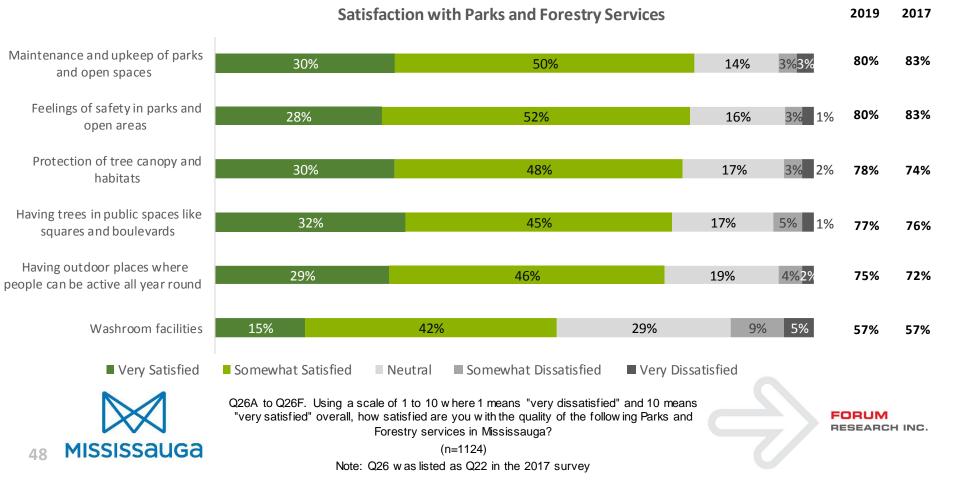
Parks & Forestry

- Overall, satisfaction for parks and forestry services remains high at 84%. This is a 1% increase from 2017 (83%).
- Over a third (38%) are very satisfied with the service and nearly half (46%) are somewhat satisfied.



Parks & Forestry

- Most categories for the quality of parks and forestry services have a satisfaction level that is similar to the results from 2017. There was a notable increase in satisfaction for *protection of tree canopy and habitats* from 2019 (78%) to 2017 (74%).
- An area for improvement is *washroom facilities* which has remained at a satisfaction level of 57%.



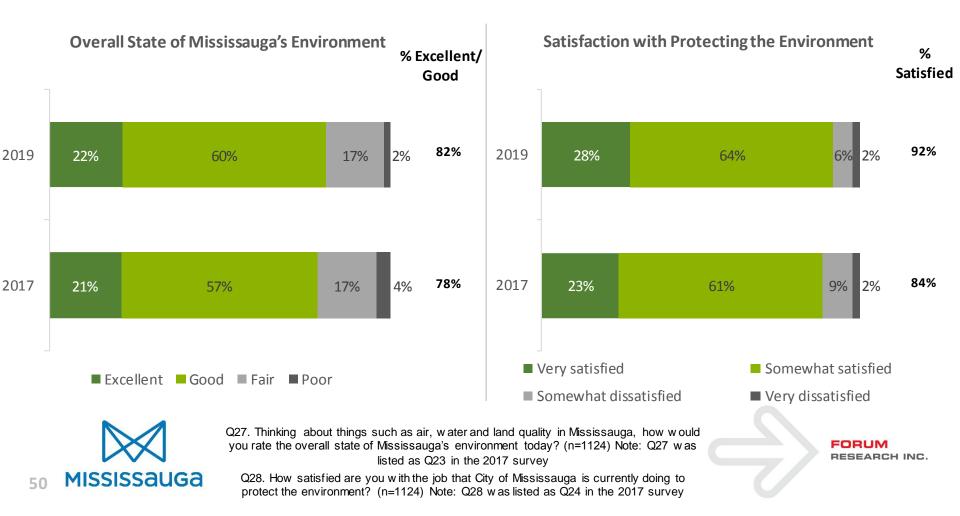
% Satisfied



Detailed Findings Environmental Quality

Environmental Position

- 82% believe the air, water and land quality is excellent or good.
- There was a significant increase in satisfaction with the job that Mississauga is currently doing to protect the environment from 2017 (84%) to 2019 (92%).

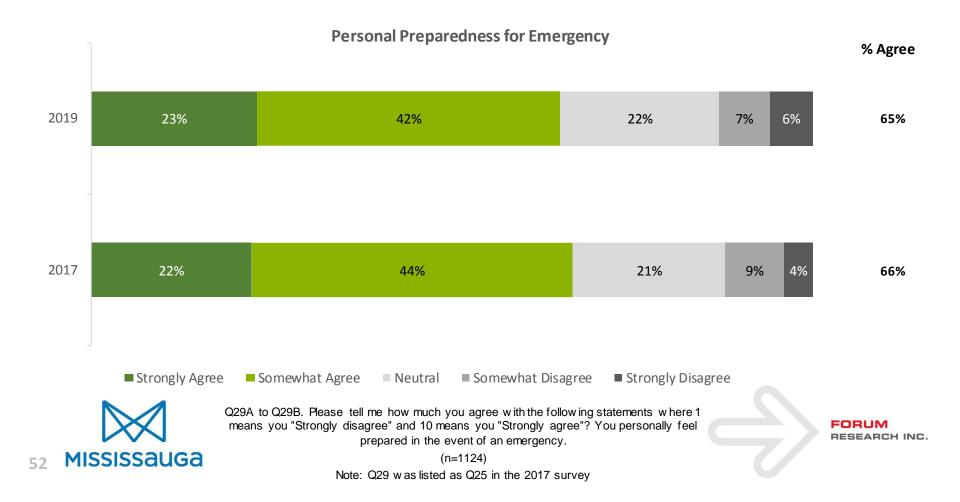




Detailed Findings Emergency Management Preparedness

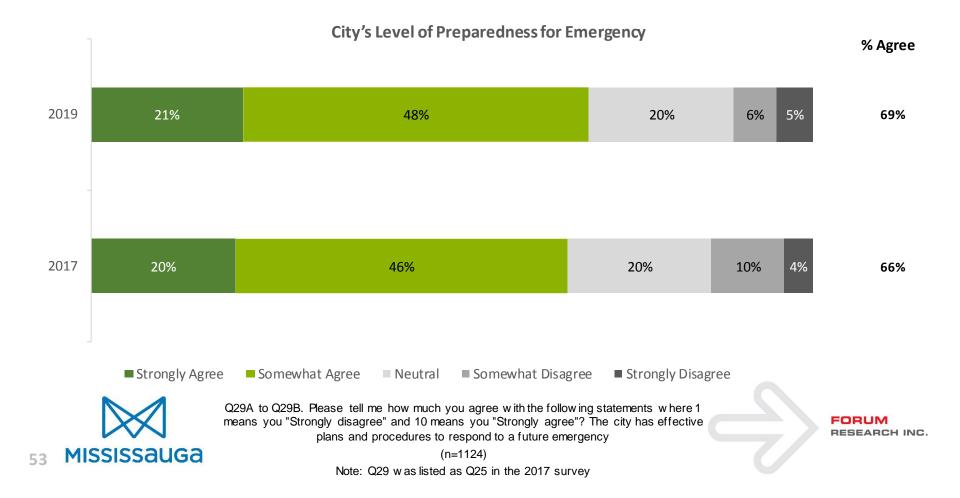
Emergency Management

- When asked if respondents personally feel prepared in the event of an emergency, 65% agreed with the statement which is a similar proportion in 2017 (66%).
- 4 in 10 (42%) somewhat agree with the statement while a quarter (23%) strongly agree.



Emergency Management

- When asked if respondents feel the City has effective plans and procedures to respond to a future emergency, 69% agreed with the statement. Once again, this is a similar proportion to the results from 2017 (66%).
- Half (48%) somewhat agree with the statement while a 1 in 5 (21%) strongly agree.



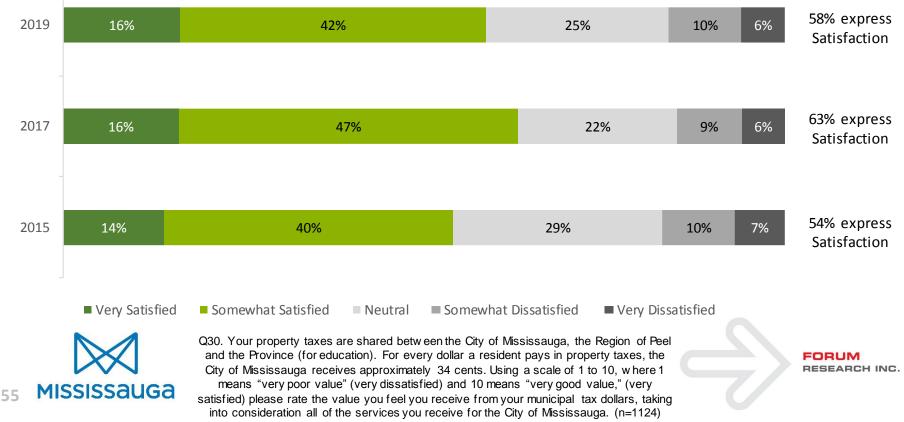


Detailed Findings Value of Taxes

Value of Taxes

• There was a slight decrease in satisfaction regarding the value for tax dollars relative to services. 6 in 10 residents (58%) are satisfied with 42% who are somewhat satisfied and 16% who are very satisfied.

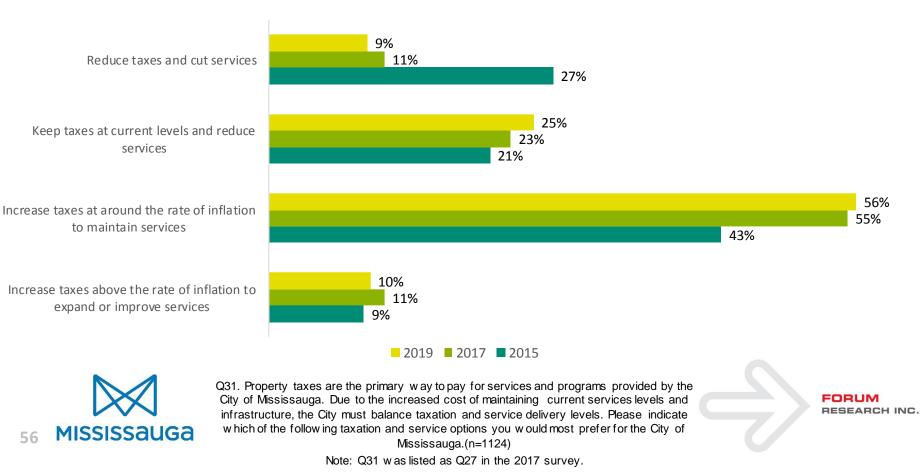
Satisfaction with Tax Dollars in Consideration of Services



Note: Q30 was listed as Q26 in the 2017 survey.

Value of Taxes

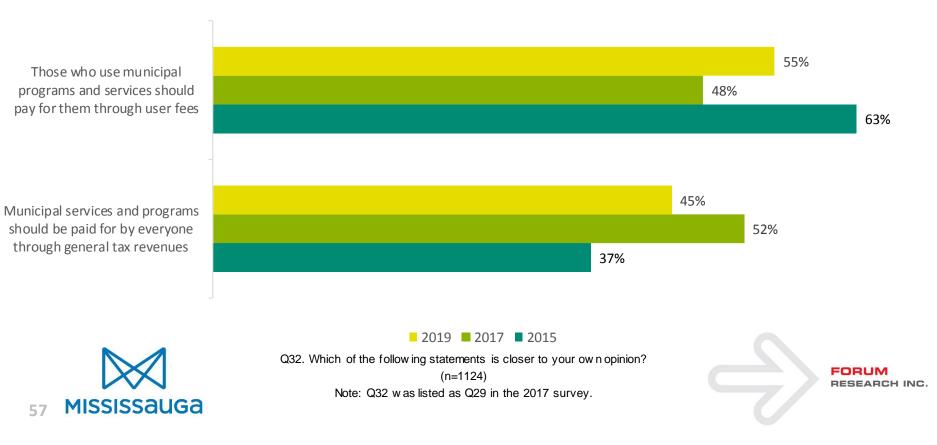
- As in the 2017 results, a larger proportion of residents believe taxes should increase at the rate of inflation to main services (56%).
- There has also been a steady increase in those who believe that taxes can be kept at current levels with reduced services.
- Significantly less residents believe taxes should be reduced and cut services (9%).



Taxation and Service Option Preferences

Value of Taxes

- A majority of residents believe that those who use municipal programs and services should pay for them through user fees (55%).
- Conversely 45% believe the municipal services and programs should be paid for by everyone through general tax revenues.

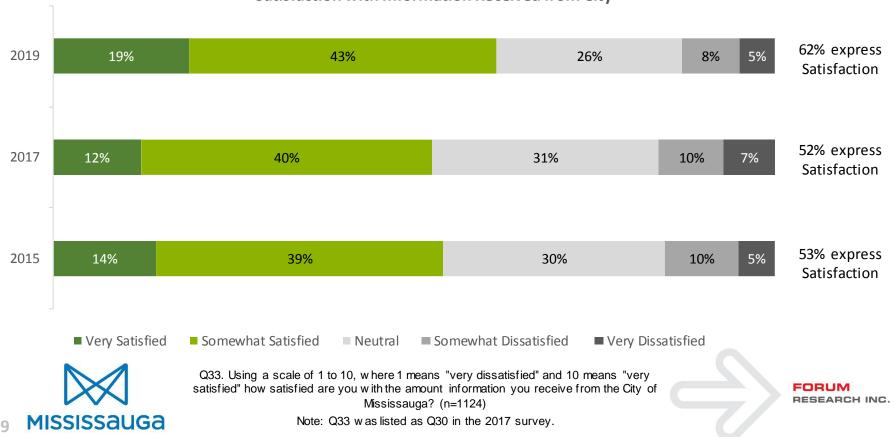


Opinion on Services and Programs Costs



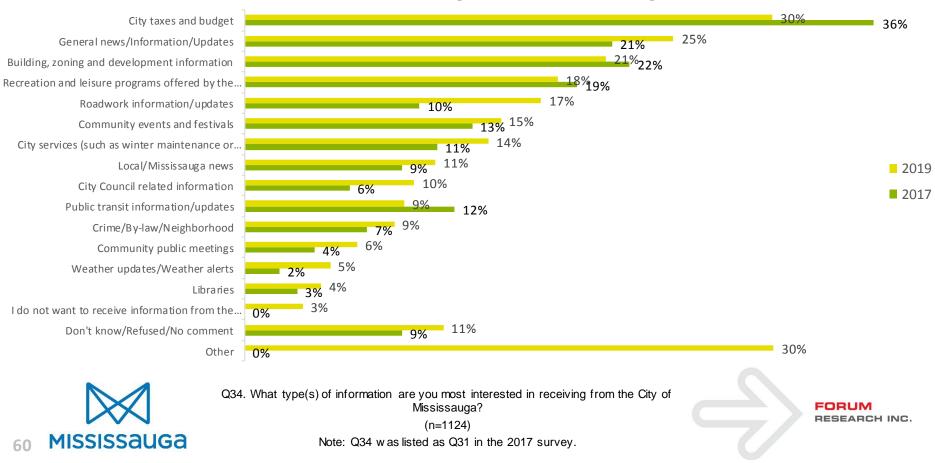
Detailed Findings Perceptions of Communications and Citizen Engagement

- A significant proportion of residents expressed satisfaction with the amount of information received from the City.
- 62% are satisfied with the amount of information received compared to 52% who stated the same in 2017.
- 4 in 10 (43%) are somewhat satisfied while 1 in 5 (19%) are very satisfied.



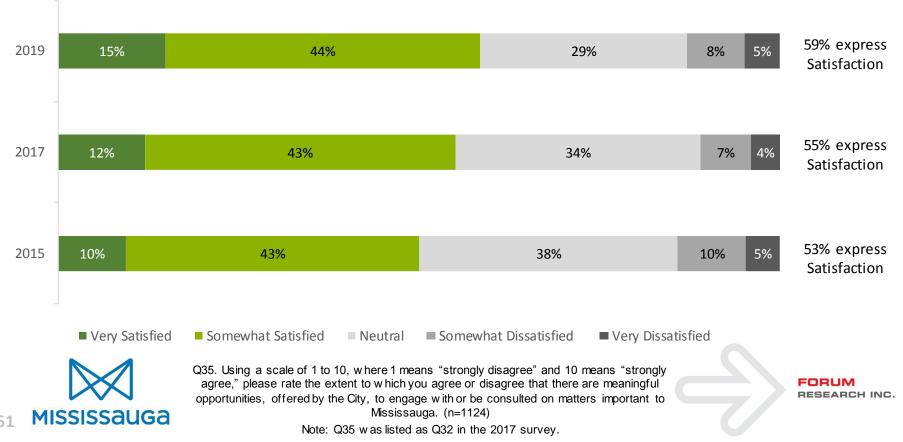
Satisfaction with Information Received from City

- 3 in 10 (30%) are interested in getting information about City taxes and budget while a quarter (25%) are interested to get general news information and updates from the City.
- 1 in 5 (21%) are interested in getting information about building, zoning and development.



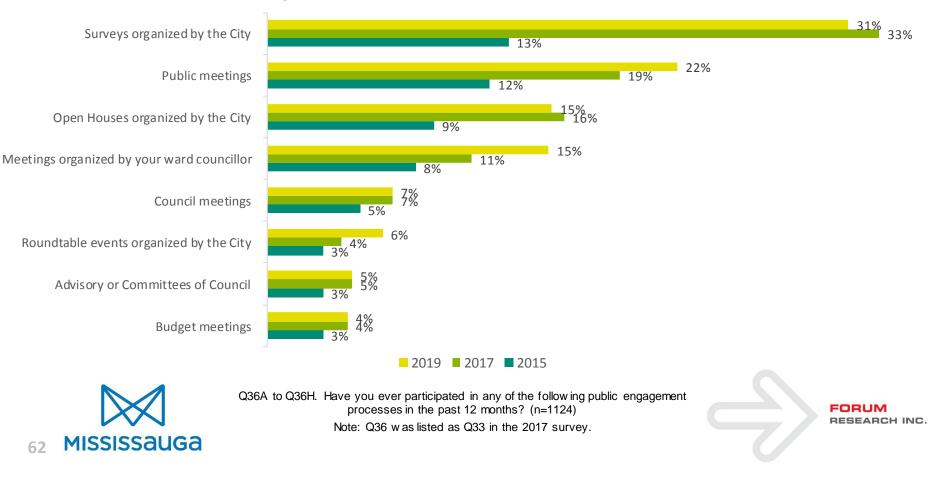
Information Interested in Being Received from Mississauga

- 6 in 10 (59%) are either somewhat or very satisfied with meaningful opportunities for engagement.
- There has been a significant change in satisfaction levels regarding meaningful opportunities to engage with or be consulted by the City when compared to the 2015 survey (up 6% from 53% in 2015).



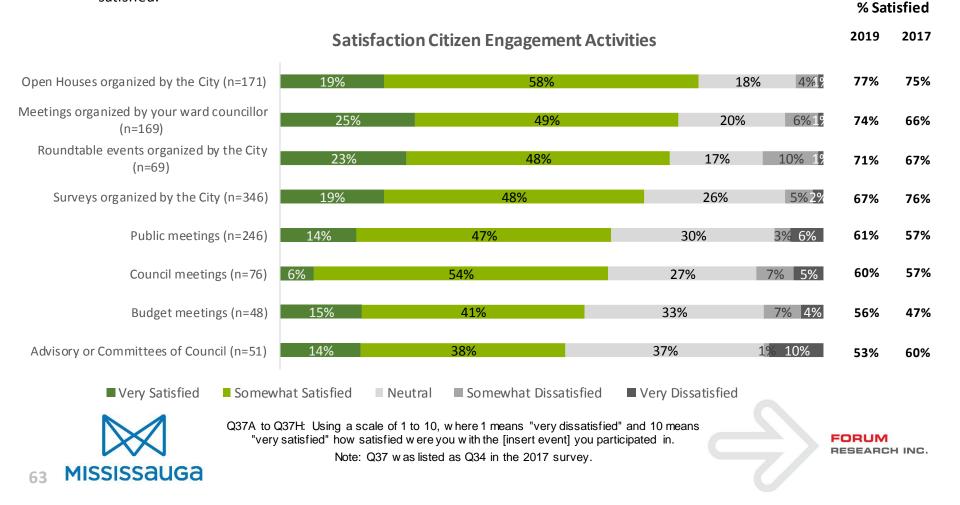
Satisfaction with Meaningful Engagement

- 3 in 10 (31%) participated in survey organized by the City while 1 in 5 (21%) have participated in public meetings.
- There was a 4% increase in the number of participants for meetings organized by ward councilor from 11% to 15%.



Participation in Consultation within the Last 12 Months

- Of those who participated in the following communication and citizen engagement events, those who attended Open Houses organized by the City are the most satisfied with over three quarters (77%) who have high level of satisfaction.
- Though advisory or committees of council received the lowest satisfaction scores, over half (53%) are somewhat or very satisfied.

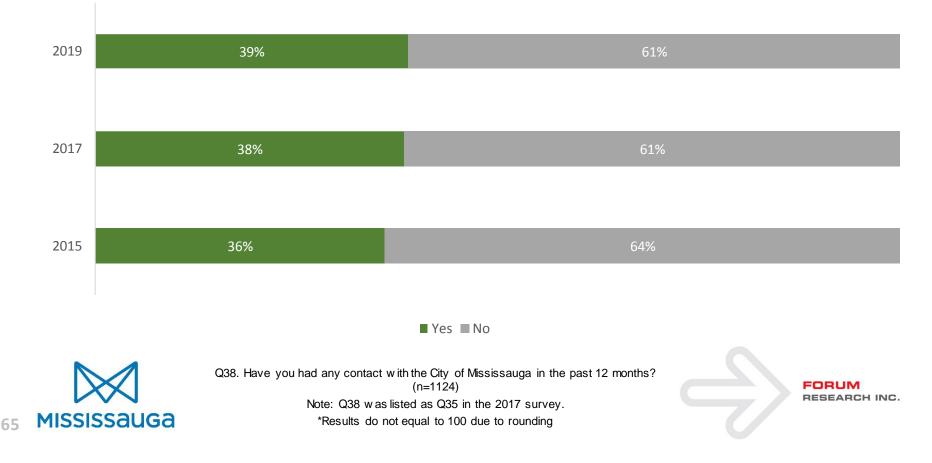




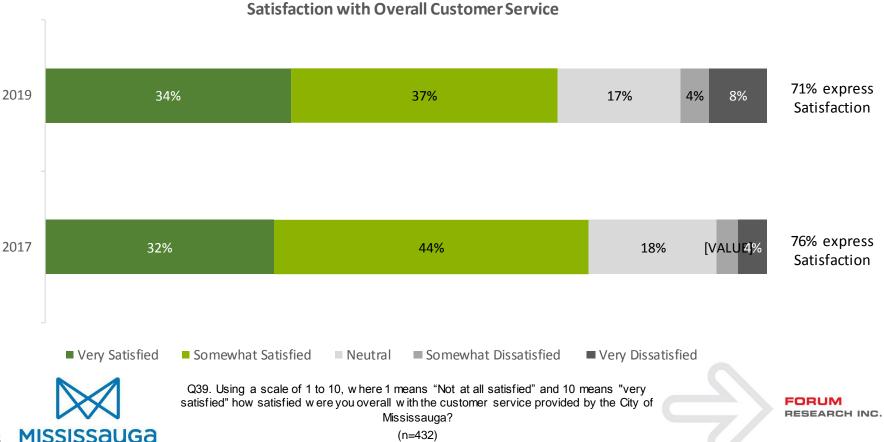
Detailed Findings Customer Satisfaction

• There is no difference in the proportion of residents who have contacted the City of Mississauga within the past 12 months.

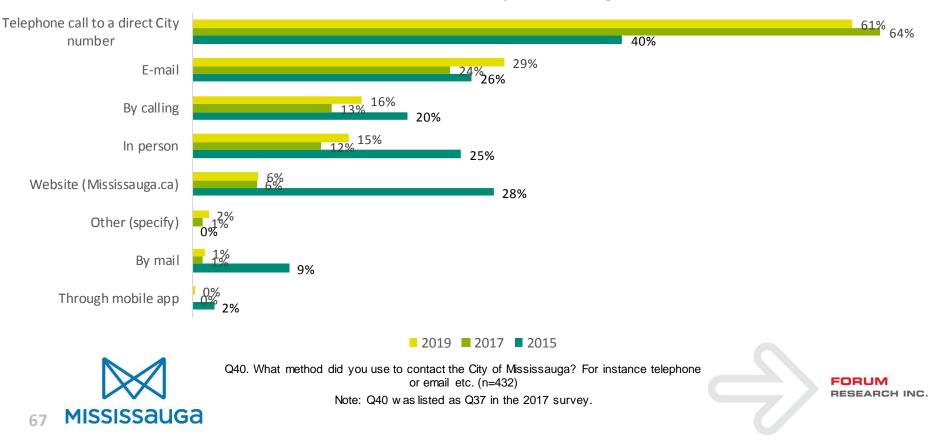
Contact with the City of Mississauga within the past 12 months



• Though there was a slight decrease in the overall satisfaction with the customer service provided by the City, the value for customer service remains high as 7 in 10 (71%) are satisfied with the service.



- Telephone call to a direct City number remains as the most common method to contact the City at 61%.
- 3 in 10 (29%) of respondents preferred to use email while 1 in 7 (16%) prefer to call.
- There has been little to no use of the mobile app since 2015.



Method to contact City of Mississauga

- By-laws, by-law infractions and zoning remains the most common reason for contacting the City (25%).
- 1 in 7 (17%) contact the City for other miscellaneous inquiries such as complaints and information.



Purpose for Contact with Mississauga

- There was a significant increase in satisfaction with *City staff are easy to get hold of when I need them,* from 63% in 2017 to 70% in 2019.
- 8 in 10 believe city staff are courteous, helpful and knowledgeable (80%) and they found the information they were searching for (81%).

