



CITY OF GOSNELLS

COMMUNITY SAFETY

AND

CRIME PREVENTION PLAN

2018 - 2021



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1. BACKGROUND

While law and order and crime prevention are primarily the role of the State Government, the WA Police Force Annual Report 2016/17 suggests that community involvement is a necessary component of crime prevention strategies.

The City of Gosnells understands this, and further acknowledges that as the sphere of Government closest to the community, influencing many of the things that matter to how people live; Local Governments are well placed to assist in addressing community safety and crime prevention.

With this in mind, the City of Gosnells is committed to making the community a safer place for everyone. It recognises that community safety and crime prevention cannot be addressed by any single agency or organisation, and that to succeed, the whole community, including Council, residents, local businesses, State Government and Non-Government agencies must be involved. The City also acknowledges that public perceptions of community safety and crime are just as important as crime statistics and trends, and that feeling safe is a basic right for all.

Since 2001 the City of Gosnells has worked in partnership with WA Police Force Community Engagement Division (formerly the WA Police Force Strategic Crime Prevention), as part of the State Government's initiatives for improving community safety and reducing crime. This partnership has seen the development and delivery of a number of programs and initiatives which have helped make the community a safer and more welcoming place.

The 2014 – 2017 Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan recognised the work the City of Gosnells had done in the past in regards to community safety and security, and identified the issues that needed to be addressed. The plan also reinforced the partnership approach that needed to be taken to find solutions to such issues. Going forward, the City will continue to work in partnership with other key stakeholders to implement its 2018 – 2021 Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan; addressing key community safety and crime prevention concerns as identified by the community.

2. PURPOSE

The purpose of the City of Gosnells Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan is to guide the actions of the City and its community safety partners over the next three years to improve community safety and reduce crime within the City of Gosnells.

The activities in the plan are informed by:

- The results of the Community Safety Survey carried out in 2017 which reviewed the community safety and crime prevention priorities from a community perspective;
- Local crime statistics and trends; and
- The City's 10 year Community Plan - to ensure that the goals of the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan align with the overarching goals of the Community Plan to make the City of Gosnells community a safer place.

The City of Gosnells Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan will deliver activities, programs and projects designed to address community priorities and current crime trends, and to achieve the goals of the Community Plan.

3. CONSULTATION AND DEVELOPMENT

3.1 Developing the Plan

The Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan 2018-2021 was developed by the City of Gosnells, in consultation with:

- City of Gosnells residents;
- City of Gosnells businesses;
- City of Gosnells community groups;
- Councillors; and
- WA Police Force.

This collaborative approach enabled the City to develop a comprehensive plan which addresses prominent and relevant community safety issues in the Gosnells area.

In addition to the knowledge and insight gained from community and stakeholder consultation, the City also used a number of key strengths and regular activities which ensure it is well-placed to adequately plan and facilitate community safety and crime prevention initiatives in the City of Gosnells. These include:

- Sound demographic knowledge of the community (socio-economic profile, diversity in age range, ethnicity, mobility, family structure, education and housing etc.);
- Strategic and tactical (operational) knowledge of the City and its environment;
- Analysis of the City's crime trends (2012/2017), using information provided by the WA Police Force Community Engagement Division;
- Analysis of crime statistics obtained from WA Police Force and Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA);
- Assessment of specific locations and issues of primary concern;
- Demonstrated previous experience in developing and facilitating interventions and solutions; and
- Ongoing evaluation and adjustment of initiatives to achieve successful outcomes.

3.2 Consultation methods

The City conducted a Community Safety Survey in 2017, which gave the community an opportunity to provide input into the City's crime and safety review. Respondents were asked a series of questions about how they felt in regards to levels of crime, contributing factors and possible solutions, as well as what they considered to be priority focus areas for crime prevention.

The survey was advertised in local newspapers and survey forms were sent via reply-paid mail to 50 randomly selected addresses in each suburb. The survey was available in all public City facilities. The community survey was also available for completion electronically via the City's free WiFi and on the City's website. To encourage input by people from non-English speaking backgrounds, William Langford Community House assisted clients to complete the survey. In total, 1,075 hard copy survey forms were distributed to various locations in the City. The total number of responses was 1,692. The key findings are outlined below (Section 4.1) and at Appendix 1.

In addition, anecdotal customer service feedback relating to community safety and crime prevention was considered when developing this plan.

4. KEY FINDINGS

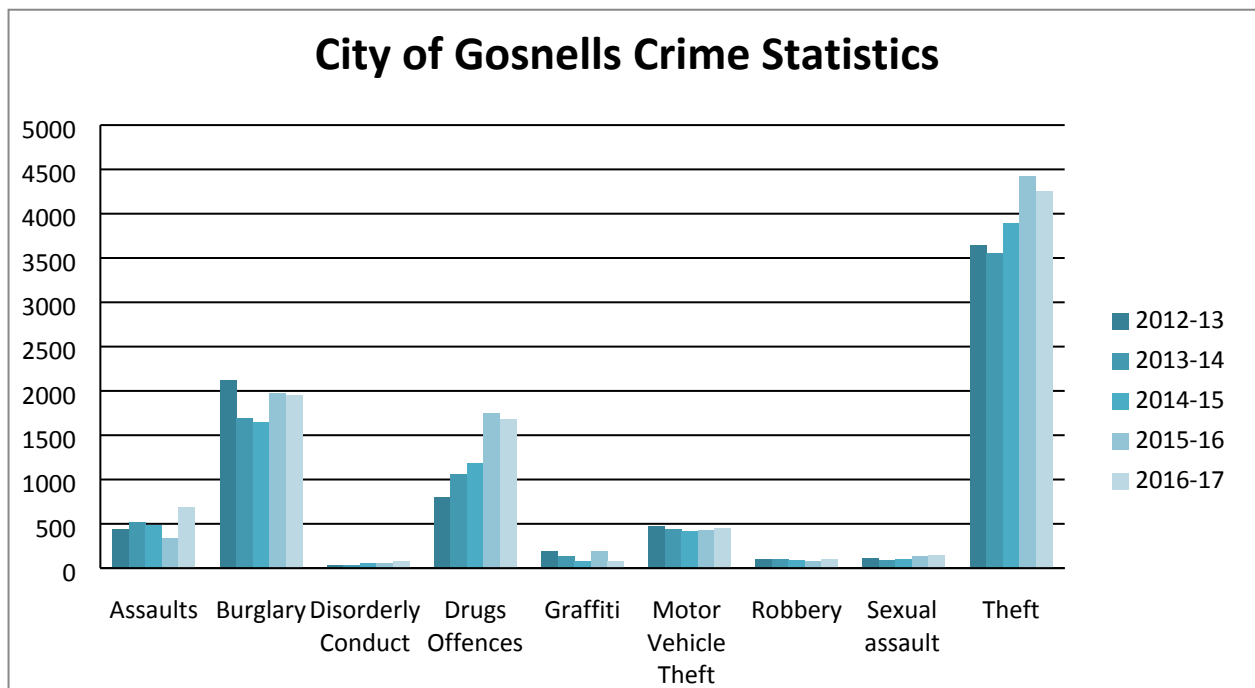
4.1 Feedback from surveys and consultation

Through its consultation and survey processes, the City determined the following:

- Home burglary, drug dealing/taking and anti-social behaviour were the greatest areas of priority that require addressing;
- Anti-social driver behaviour (hooning) and damage/vandalism were the next highest priority issues;
- The longer people lived in an area the more they felt crime had become a problem;
- The main places and times that people felt unsafe included areas after dark, train stations and parks / reserves;
- The community believed that to improve community safety, there needed to be more police and strengthening of law enforcement or penalties;
- Raising community awareness of crime prevention and community safety, strengthening relationships between people in neighbourhoods, lighting enhancements and improvements in the physical design of an area were also suggested as ways to improve community safety; and
- Many respondents attributed increases in crime to a lack of Police presence, resultant effects of drug and alcohol misuse within the community and a perceived lack of deterrent.

4.2 2012/17 Community Crime Trends

In developing the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan, the City was also guided by WA Police Force data obtained from WALGA. Recorded City of Gosnells crime statistics from 2012 to 2017 are shown below.



City of Gosnells Crime Statistics					
Year (Financial) (Reported)	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Assault	436	514	478	334	688
Burglary	2117	1690	1,643	1972	1951
Disorderly Conduct	30	28	51	53	78
Drugs Offences	793	1056	1185	1741	1679
Graffiti	188	135	80	191	79
Motor Vehicle Theft	474	437	420	423	452
Robbery	100	103	84	79	94
Sexual Assault	114	85	97	135	141
Theft	3640	3547	3887	4423	4257

City wide, offences recorded by WA Police Force show that theft and burglary are high volume crime areas, followed by drug offences. This is also demonstrated in the community safety survey feedback.

For further information visit the WA Police Force Crime Portals Statistics website at www.police.wa.gov.au/Crime/Crime-Statistics-Portal/Statistics

4.3 Fear of Crime

The City has determined, through anecdotal feedback and conversations with members of the community and the WA Police Force, that the fear of crime is evident within the community. This has a negative impact on individuals and communities, detracting from quality of life and adversely impacting social and economic well-being.

Sometimes the fear people have is well-founded, but often the actual risk is less than perceived. The Community Safety Survey asked people how safe they felt living or working in the City of Gosnells and the results confirmed that many people in the community have a fear of crime. 31% of respondents stated that they felt somewhat unsafe, 27% were neutral and 21% felt somewhat safe. With this in mind, the City takes a holistic approach to safety programs and activities, targeting priority issues identified by survey results and crime statistics, and through programs which bring the community together to build community cohesion and celebrate community achievements.

4.4 Focus areas / issues

Taking into account survey and consultation results, as well as the analysis of community crime trends and other anecdotal feedback, the City of Gosnells has identified the following key focus areas / issues for Community Safety and Crime Prevention:

- Home burglary;
- Theft;
- Anti-social behaviour;
- Reducing the fear of crime;

- Graffiti; and
- Improving lighting.

These focus areas/issues are based on findings from the City's consultation process. However, community safety and crime prevention activities will not necessarily be limited to these issues / areas. The City will continue to liaise with key stakeholders and community members to monitor and address any issues which emerge. For example, through its Seniors Services business unit, the City has received feedback that safety is a concern for seniors in the City of Gosnells. With this in mind, the City implements initiatives such as the Safer Seniors Audits program.

The City also acknowledges that increasing the number of Police was stated as the top priority in the Community Safety Survey. The City has no authority to influence Police numbers. However, it continues to work collaboratively with WA Police to identify key issues and implement suitable community initiatives.

5. A COLLABORATIVE APPROACH

As previously stated, community safety and crime prevention activity is dependent upon participation and input by the community and a range of other stakeholders. The City's scope of collaboration includes:

- State Government bodies (e.g. WA Police Force Community Engagement Division, WA Police Force, WALGA, Department of Fire & Emergency Services, Department of Housing);
- Service providers (e.g. Gosnells District Neighbourhood Watch, Safety House Association, William Langford Community Centre, Constable Care Child Safety Foundation);
- Local Governments within the South East Metropolitan District;
- Local schools;
- Businesses;
- Media (particularly local media); and
- All community members – taking an equal and inclusive approach that encourages participation from people from CaLD backgrounds, people with disability, families, and a range of age groups, from young people through to seniors.

Working in collaboration with these stakeholders will enable the City to plan and implement crime prevention and safety initiatives which involve the community, respond to community concerns and assist in building community capacity. Section 7 (Implementation Plan) details the programs and projects the City of Gosnells will undertake in partnership with a range of stakeholders in order to address the key focus areas and issues outlined previously.

The City of Gosnells is also committed to communication with the public and stakeholders about ongoing community safety and crime prevention initiatives. A full page insert called "LIFE in your City" features in the local paper on a monthly timeframe. This is used to promote programs that are contained within the plan, along with other local content. In addition, the City uses social media to keep the community informed about crime and community safety information and initiatives.

6. REVIEW AND EVALUATION

The Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan is a working document that will be reviewed annually to enable reprioritisation of issues in response to community needs. All programs will be evaluated each year to ensure appropriate and efficient allocation of Council resources.

The City will ensure that up-to-date information is taken into account when reviewing the plan, by maintaining regular and ongoing contact with the community, the State Government and non-government agencies. The close relationship between the City and local Police will also ensure that emerging trends are identified and initiatives developed where the City has the capacity to assist. The City of Gosnells Safe City Initiative is responsible for reviewing and overseeing implementation of this Plan. Safe City staff members are involved in many community safety and crime prevention projects and maintain close links with the community through workshops, presentations and daily correspondence.

The City will use further community analysis of crime trends to monitor recorded crime changes and will assist in refocussing priorities where needed. Every three years the City conducts a community safety survey, which will be used to measure changes in community perceptions of crime in the Gosnells area.



7. IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

The City’s Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan has five objectives. The first four were originally developed by the State Government’s Office of Crime Prevention (now the WA Police Force Community Engagement Division), and have been implemented in the City’s Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plans in recent years. The fifth objective was added for the new Plan. It focuses on an internal City-wide approach to community safety.

Community Safety and Crime Prevention programs will be prioritised to address and reflect priority issues identified by the community, as well as issues demonstrated by statistical representation or research. For the years 2018 – 2021, most programs will focus on perception / fear of crime, burglary reduction, anti-social behaviour, graffiti and youth development / mentoring.

Objective 1: To support and educate people about the impacts of crime and the importance of creating a safe community.

	Strategies	Outcome measures	Responsibility
1.1	Provide sponsorship for Constable Care Performances at schools within the City to increase awareness of protective behaviours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of statistical information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Date and location of performance - Number of performances per term - Number of students in attendance • Annual Report received from Constable Care Child Safety Foundation, outlining participation rates and participant survey results 	Community Safety Officer Community Safety Coordinator
1.2	Provide sponsorship for the Safety House program to provide children with a safe place to go if they feel threatened or scared	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of statistical information on number of registered schools within the City • Annual acquittal received, outlining number of schools 	Community Safety Coordinator
1.3	Deliver the Safe City School Education Program to all primary and secondary schools within the City to educate children about crime prevention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of statistical information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Date and location of presentation - Number of presentations - Number of students in attendance - Evaluation forms from students and teachers 	Community Safety Project Officer Community Safety Officer

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Feedback evaluated and documented in the City's record management system • Program evaluated at end of financial year 2018/19 	Community Safety Coordinator
1.4	Support the Juvenile Graffiti Clean-up Referral Program to ensure that young offenders are aware of the consequences of their actions, and to provide graffiti locations for clean up by young people participating in the program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of statistical information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of graffiti removals - Number of square metres cleaned - Number of referrals reported / recorded 	Community Safety Coordinator Community Safety Officer

Objective 2: To encourage people to work together to strengthen community, achieve safety outcomes and celebrate their achievements.

	Strategies	Outcome measures	Responsibility
2.1	Support cross agency initiatives which strengthen communities and deal with community safety and crime prevention - through media releases, educational information, workshops and other activities/ platforms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of statistical information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of media releases issued - Number of information brochures distributed - Number of public events attended / delivered • Partnerships established with other agencies • Programs evaluated after delivery 	Community Safety Officer Safe City Administration Officer Community Safety Coordinator
2.2	Facilitate Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) by funding a Project Officer to work with NHW volunteers and raise its profile	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of statistical information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - NHW membership trends - Number of media articles relating to NHW - Number of events attended / facilitated by NHW • NHW activities and outcomes reported through the monthly CEO report • Annual financial report provided by NHW • Programs / events evaluated after delivery 	Community Safety Project Officer Community Safety Coordinator
2.3	Deliver Eyes on the Street program to encourage and enable employees to report suspicious activity to Police	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of statistical information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of reports forwarded by City of Gosnells - Date of incident - Location of incident - Description of incident - Outcomes of reports made to police • Evaluation survey completed by participants 	Community Safety Officer Administration Officer Community Safety Coordinator
2.4	Facilitate and deliver seniors safety programs including Home Safety Audits, Workshops / seminars and participatory events throughout the year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of statistical information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of Home Safety Audits, workshops / seminars and special events undertaken - Number of smoke detectors / safety equipment items installed - Number of attendees at seminars, workshops and events 	Seniors Services Staff

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Feedback received - Programs evaluated regularly 	
2.5	Deliver Safe City Christmas Lights Competition to create a proud and harmonious community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of statistical information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of house and street entries - Location of entrants - Feedback from community • Sponsorship obtained to assist with advertising and a providing a judge • Program evaluated after delivery – marketing effectiveness, number and variation of entries etc. 	Community Safety Project Officer Administration Officer Community Safety Coordinator

Objective 3: To target priority offences by working in partnership with the community and other stakeholders.

	Strategies	Outcome measures	Responsibility
3.1	Implement the Anti-Graffiti Campaign to ensure graffiti is removed as soon as practicable after notification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of statistical information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of reports to WA Police Force (All offences on City property) - Reduction in repeat target areas • External funding obtained to sustain and expand service delivery 	Community Safety Officer Administration Officer Community Safety Coordinator
3.2	Deliver the 'Adopt a Bus Shelter' initiative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of statistical information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of shelters adopted - Reduction in graffiti reports received - Decrease in repeat incidents • Program evaluated after delivery 	Community Safety Officer Administration Officer Community Safety Coordinator
3.3	Deliver the Adopt A Spot program in partnership with Keep Australia Beautiful (KAB) with a focus on graffiti reporting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of statistical information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of volunteers - Number of spots adopted - Repeat incidents / offences • Program evaluated at the end of 2018/19 	Community Safety Officer Administration Officer Community Safety Coordinator

<p>3.4</p>	<p>Conduct Doorknocks / cocooning in identified crime hot spots and proactively encourage the public to take an active interest in protecting their community through a coordinated multi-agency “cocooning” approach</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of statistical information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of doorknocks - Location of doorknocks - Number of NHW kits distributed - Repeat offences in areas visited • Program evaluated at the end of 2018/19 	<p>Community Safety Officer</p> <p>Community Safety Coordinator</p>
<p>3.5</p>	<p>Develop and distribute Do it Yourself (DIY) Business Security Packs, to reduce crime or minimise the effects of crime on local business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of statistical information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of DIY business security packs distributed - Date and location of businesses • Program evaluated at the end of 2018/19 	<p>Community Safety Officer</p> <p>Administration Officer</p> <p>Community Safety Coordinator</p>
<p>3.6</p>	<p>Facilitate delivery of City of Gosnells Armed Hold Up presentations in response to reported incidents and trends, to minimise the risk of armed hold ups and maximise the potential for evidence gathering by Police</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of statistical information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of presentations conducted - Number of participants at the presentations - Number of DIY business security packs distributed at presentations • Program evaluated at the end of 2018/19 	<p>Community Safety Officer</p> <p>Administration Officer</p> <p>Community Safety Coordinator</p>

Objective 4: To design out crime and utilise technology towards community safety and crime prevention initiatives.

	Strategies	Outcome measures	Responsibility
4.1	Facilitate Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) – including factors such as line-of-sight, lighting and access.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website CPTED information updated • Crime prevention advice provided to members of the community through various programs, workshops and general customer interactions • CPTED principles considered in planning for future activity / activation / safety provision at Gosnells Town Centre • Funding sought for environmental enhancements (lighting etc.) 	<p>Community Safety Officer</p> <p>Community Safety Coordinator</p>
4.2	Carry out Home Safety Audits in response to reported incidents and trends, to provide residents with an audit of their property and advice on how to increase their home and personal security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of statistical information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of audits - Date and location of audits - Feedback following visits (follow up survey included with information provided to residents) 	<p>Community Safety Officer</p> <p>Community Safety Coordinator</p>
4.3	Provide a user friendly Home Security DVD to guide residents through a virtual tour of a house and identify vulnerable aspects of their home – to be made available in information packs at events, through Neighbourhood Watch kits and through the City's doorknocks / cocooning program.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of statistical information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of DVDs distributed - Number of events where DVSS distributed - Date and general location of households doorknocked - Repeat offences / incidents areas doorknocked • Program evaluated at the end of 2018/19 	<p>Community Safety Officer</p> <p>Administration Officer</p> <p>Community Safety Coordinator</p>

Objective 5: To take a City-wide internal approach to delivering community safety and crime prevention initiatives.

	Strategies	Outcome measures	Responsibility
5.1	Provide Closed Circuit Television System (CCTV) to enhance the safety of City staff, Councillors, customers and community members, at City facilities and in the City of Gosnells area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of statistical information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of CCTV cameras installed - Location of CCTV cameras - Number of times footage is provided to police 	Community Safety Officer Administration Officer Community Safety Coordinator
5.2	Provide staff training in conjunction with HR and WA Police Force, including: Armed Hold Up, Eyes on the Street and other relevant training as required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of statistical information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of training sessions provided - Number of staff in attendance - Feedback from staff 	Community Safety Officer Community Safety Coordinator
5.3	Provide overt and covert surveillance and other initiatives to provide a response to community safety issues, as well as provide additional security for City events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of statistical information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of security bookings - Total cost per year for security reviewed in relation to corresponding number of incidents reported at each event / activity / location - Outcomes of security attendance reviewed 	Community Safety Coordinator
5.4	Provide technical and specialist advice and make recommendations in relation to community safety and crime prevention strategies, issues and service delivery to other areas within the City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advice recorded through meeting minutes and / or other relevant correspondence • Outcomes of advice recorded through relevant program reporting 	Community Safety Coordinator



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Appendix One

Community Safety Survey Results

2017

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Introduction

The City of Gosnells Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan was reviewed to identify the ongoing community safety and crime prevention priorities to be addressed. The plan was developed with input from government agencies, community groups and feedback from the community itself.

Residents were urged to complete a survey and comment on crime and safety issues in an effort to help shape future communities.

The Community Safety Survey was conducted from Monday 1 May until Friday 30 June 2017.

Community Safety Survey forms were distributed to the following locations and programs within the City of Gosnells:

- Addie Mills Centre
- Amherst Library
- Canning Vale Police Station
- City of Gosnells Civic Centre (Customer Service)
- Youth & Children's Services
- City events
- Kenwick Library
- Knowledge Centre
- Leisure World
- Neighbourhood Watch
- Thornlie Library
- Wilkinson Homestead Museum
- William Langford Community House

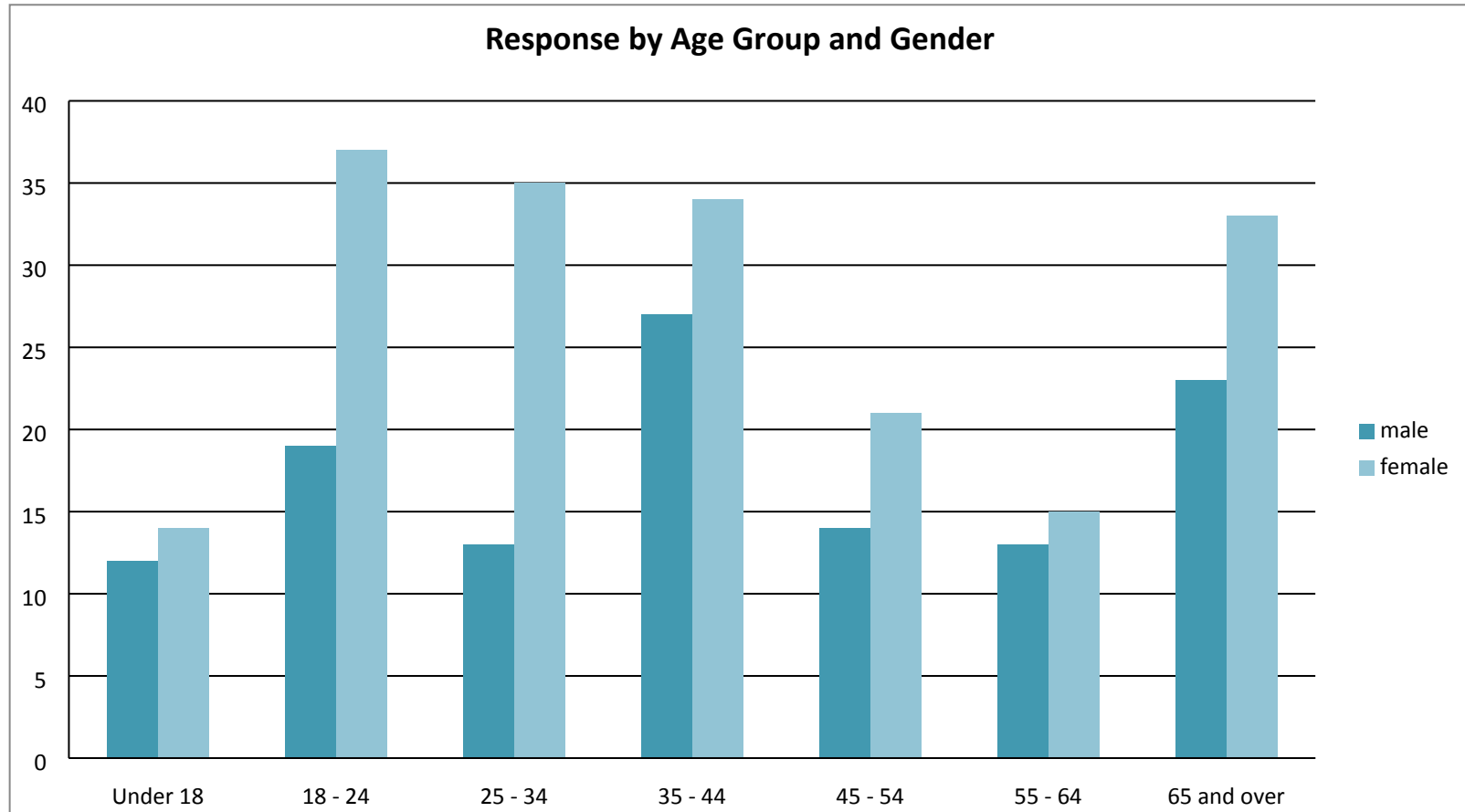
The community survey was available for completion electronically on the City's free Wi Fi in libraries and on the City's website. A mail out to 50 random addresses within each suburb of Gosnells was also undertaken.

A total of 1,075 survey forms were distributed / available within the City, of which a total of 312 survey forms were received and 1,380 online responses. The information contained within this report is based on these responses.

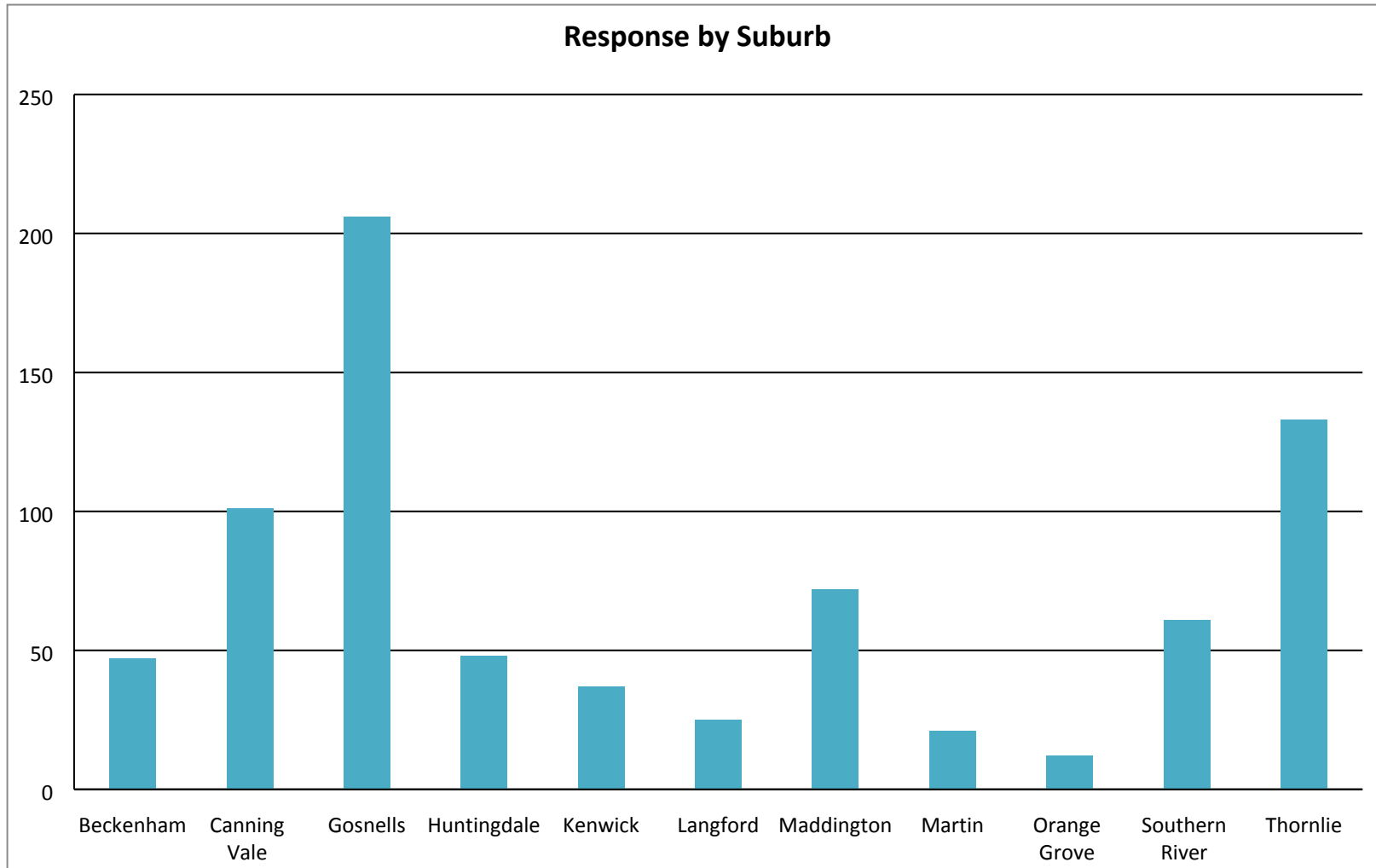
Respondent Profile

Of the 1,692 responses received, 325 were received from males, 456 were received from females and 911 respondents did not provide an answer to the age or gender question.

The following table shows a breakdown of responses by Age Group and Gender.

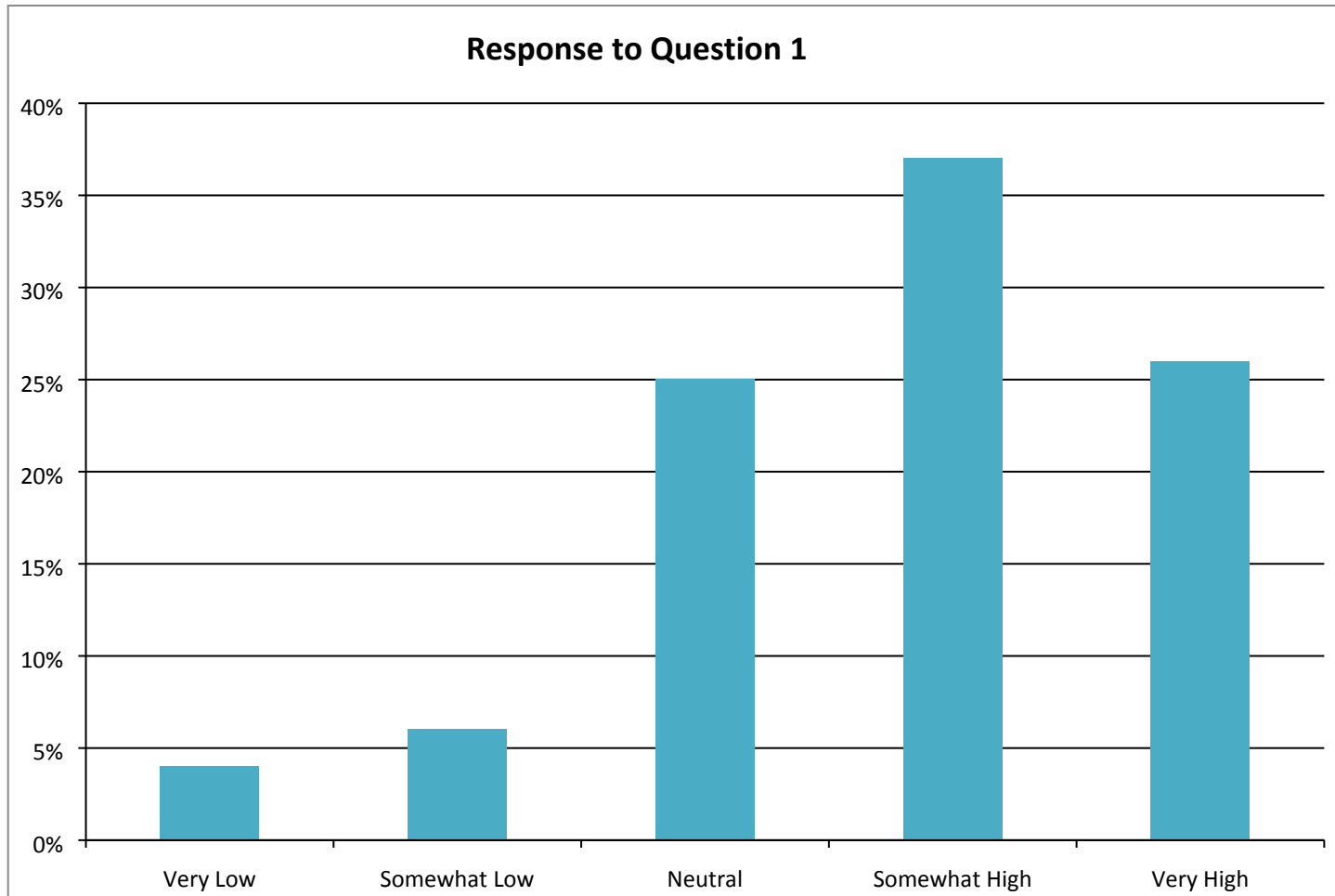


The following table shows the number of responses received by suburb.



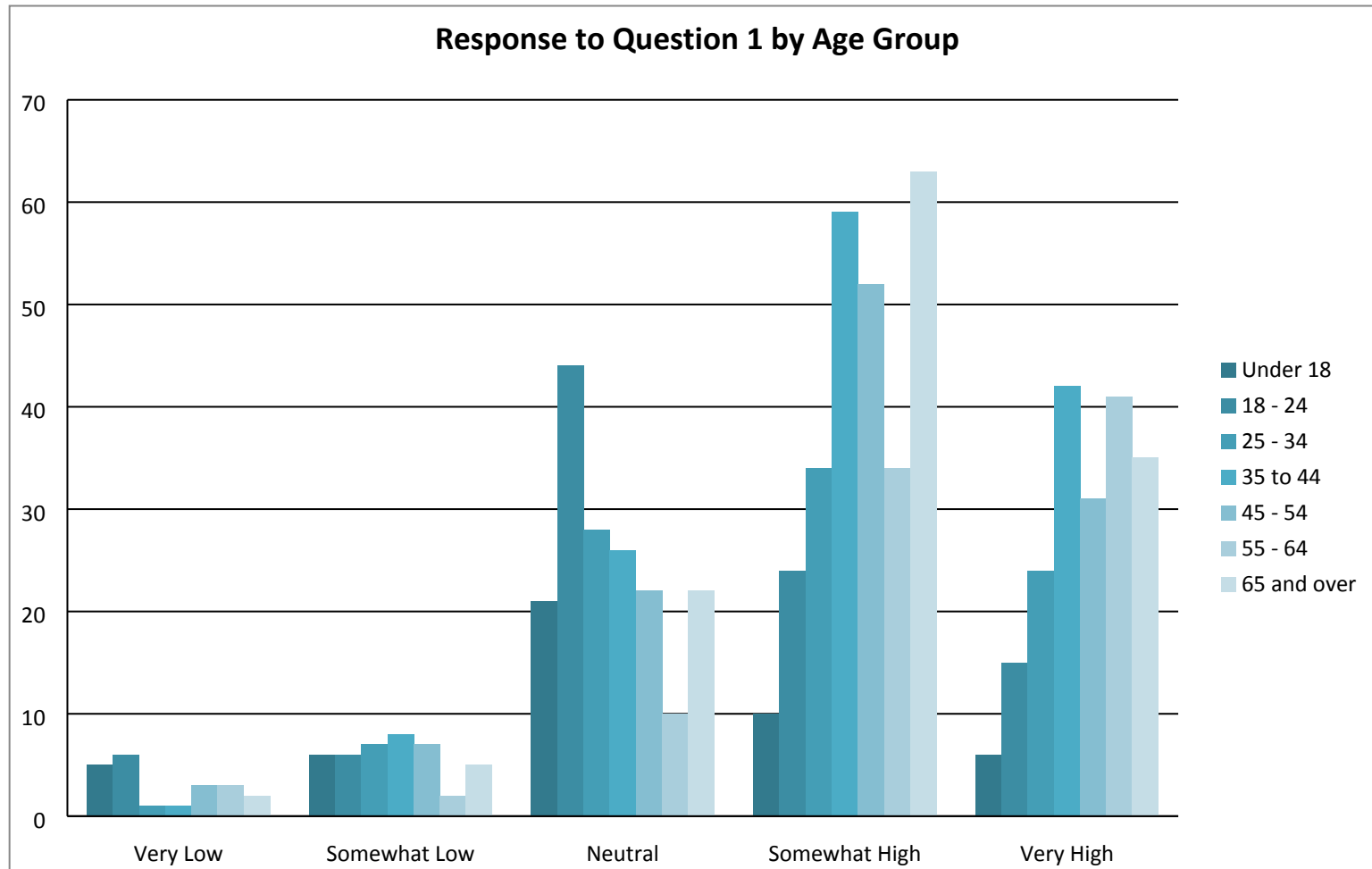
1. I believe that the crime rate in the City of Gosnells is:

The following table shows the responses received for Question 1:



29% of respondents did not provide an answer to this question.

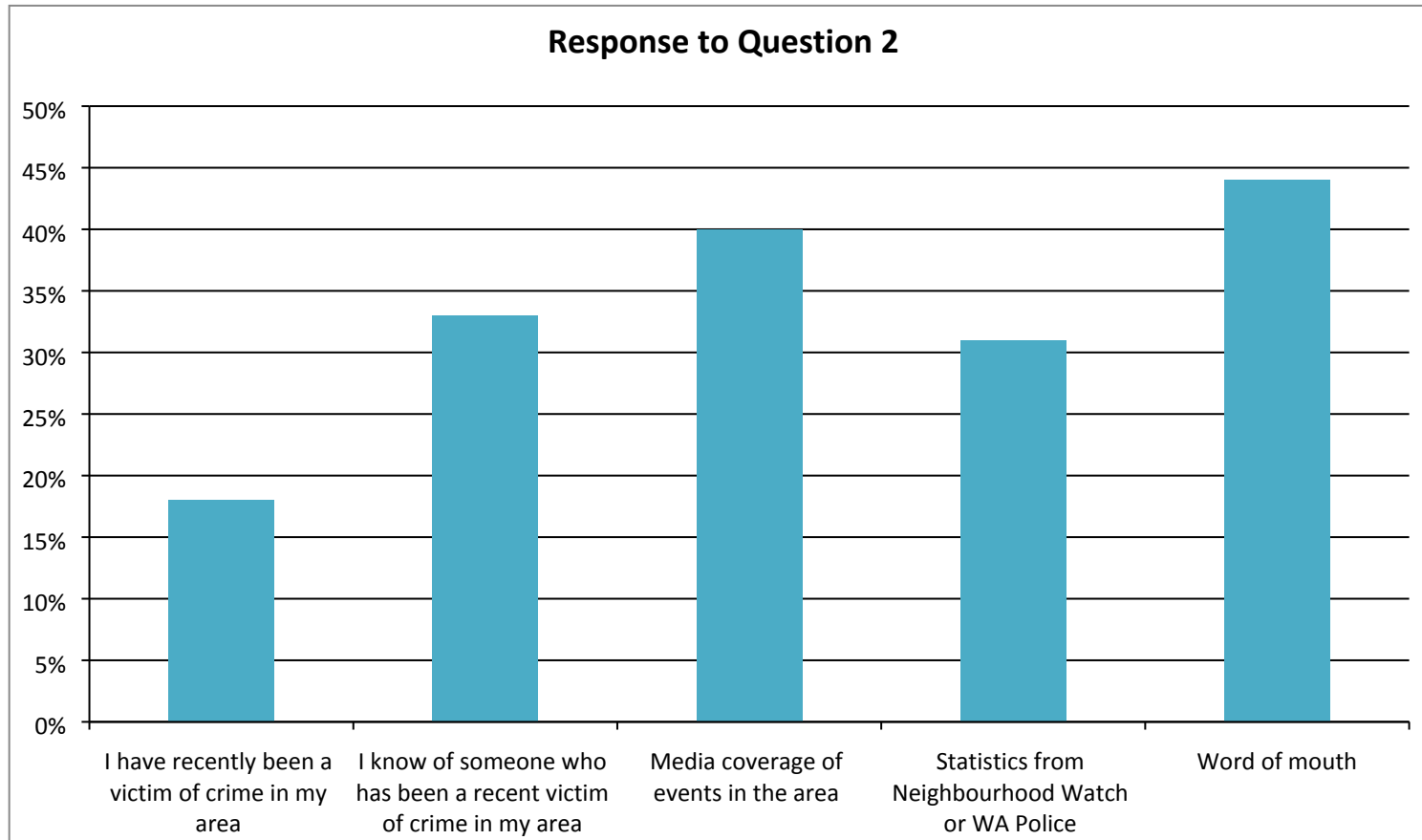
The following table shows the responses to Question 1 by Age Group:



29% of respondents did not provide an answer to this question.

2. What are you basing your answer to Question 1 on?

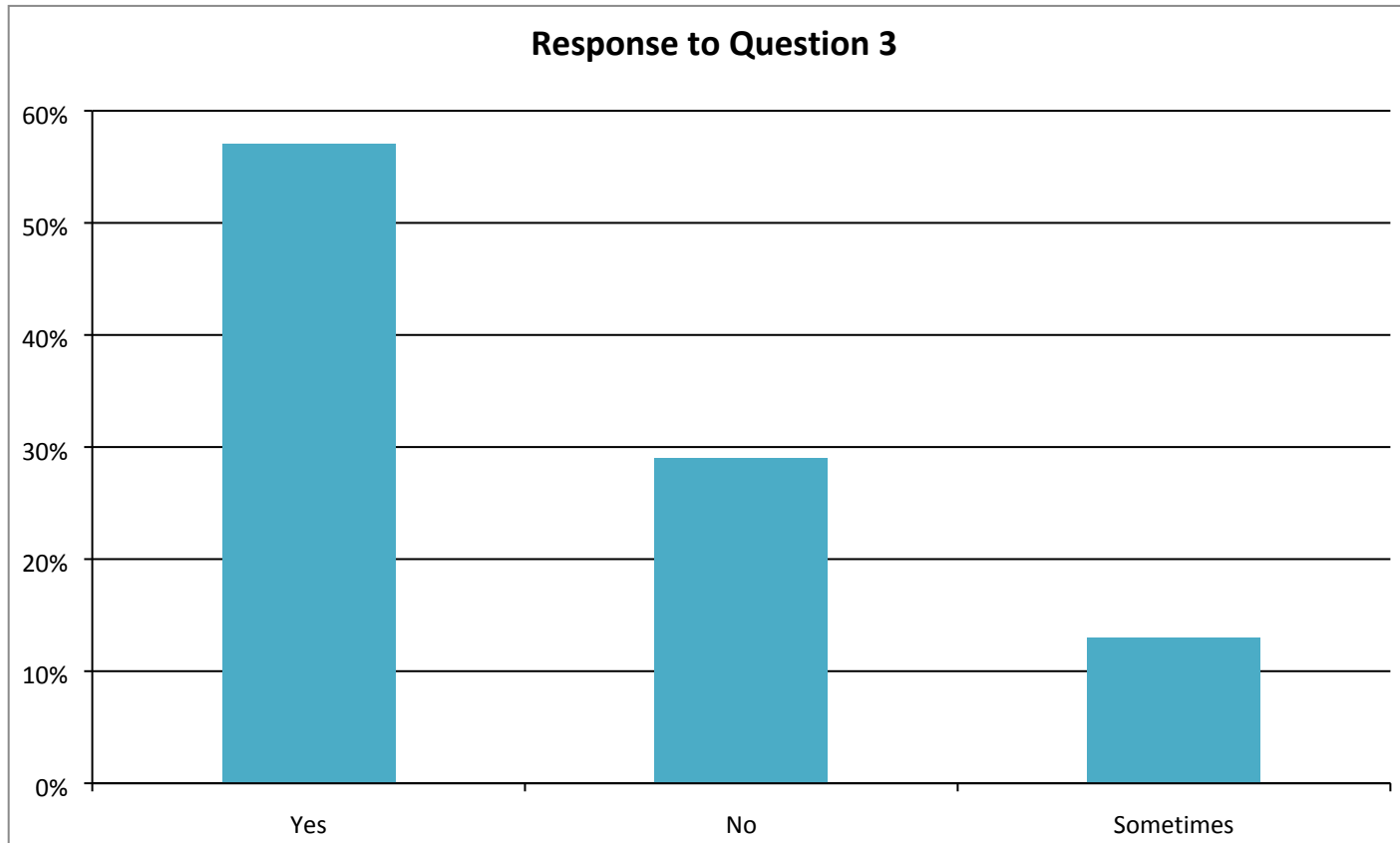
The following table shows the responses received for Question 2:



28% of respondents did not provide an answer to this question.

3. If you have been a victim of crime/s or you have witnessed a crime did you report it to the Police?

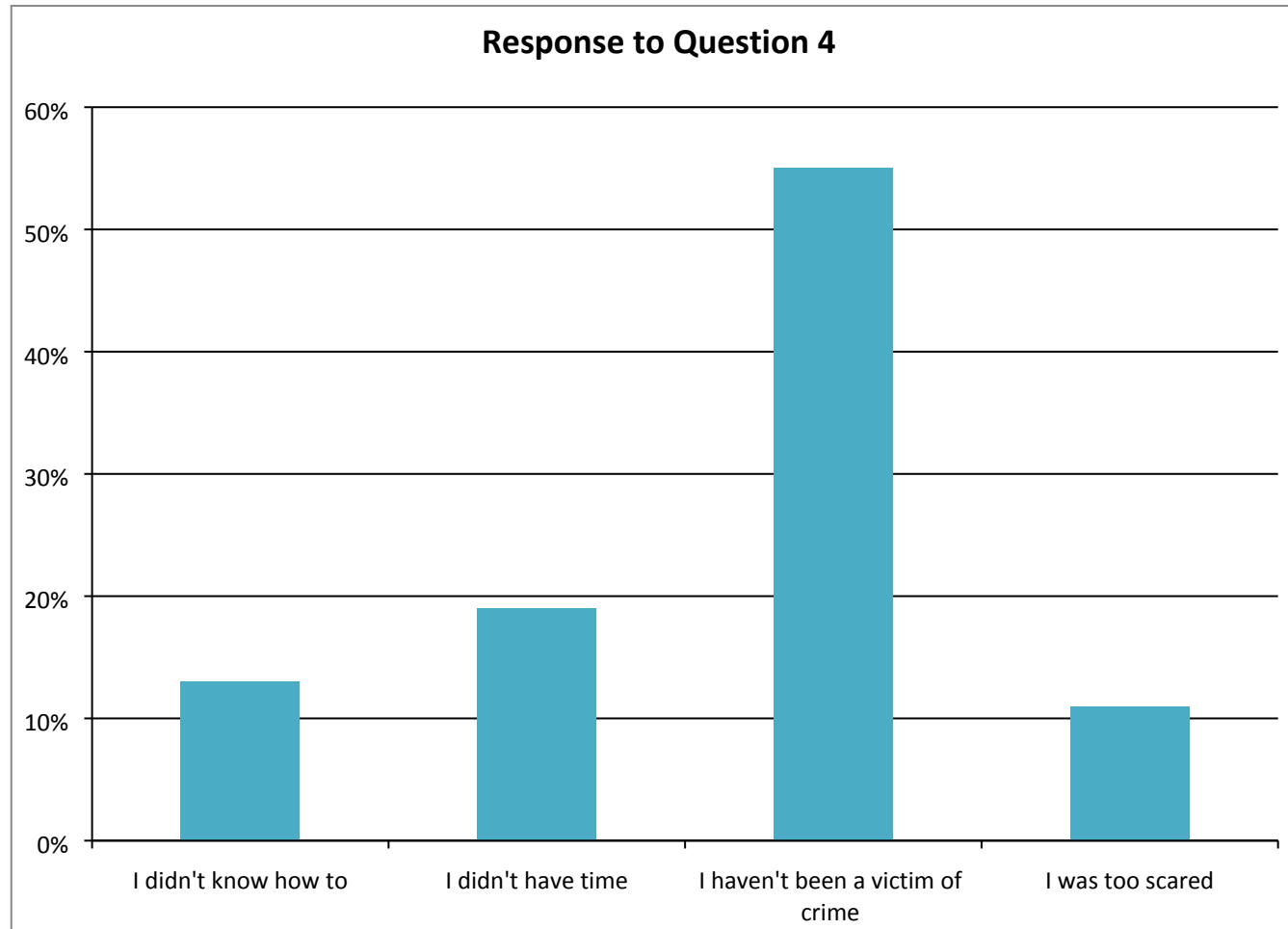
The following table shows the responses received for Question 3:



58% of respondents did not provide an answer to this question.

4. If you selected No or Sometimes, please tell us why you did not report the incident to Police?

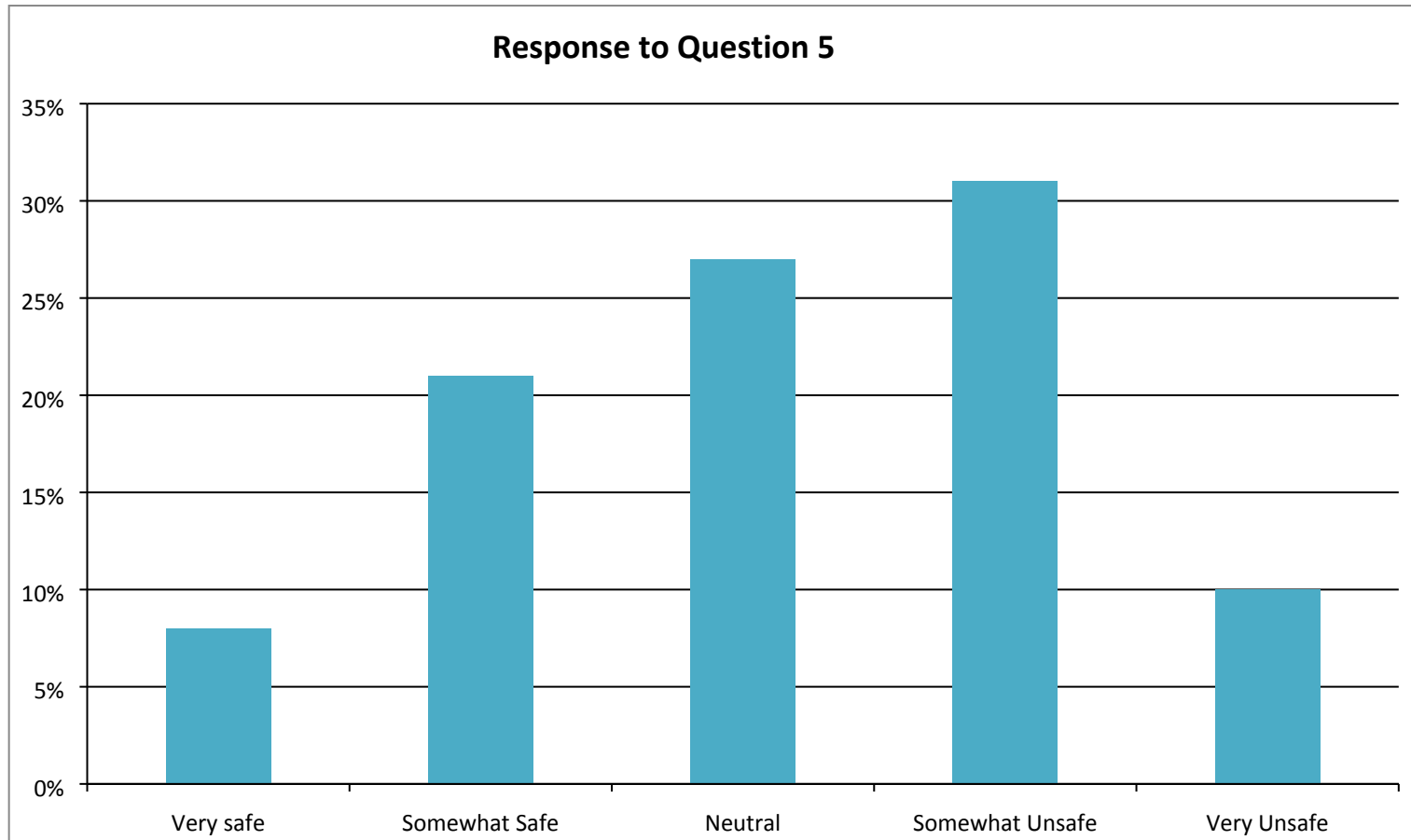
The following table shows the responses received for Question 4:



81% of respondents did not provide an answer to this question and 55% of respondents selected they had not been a victim of crime.

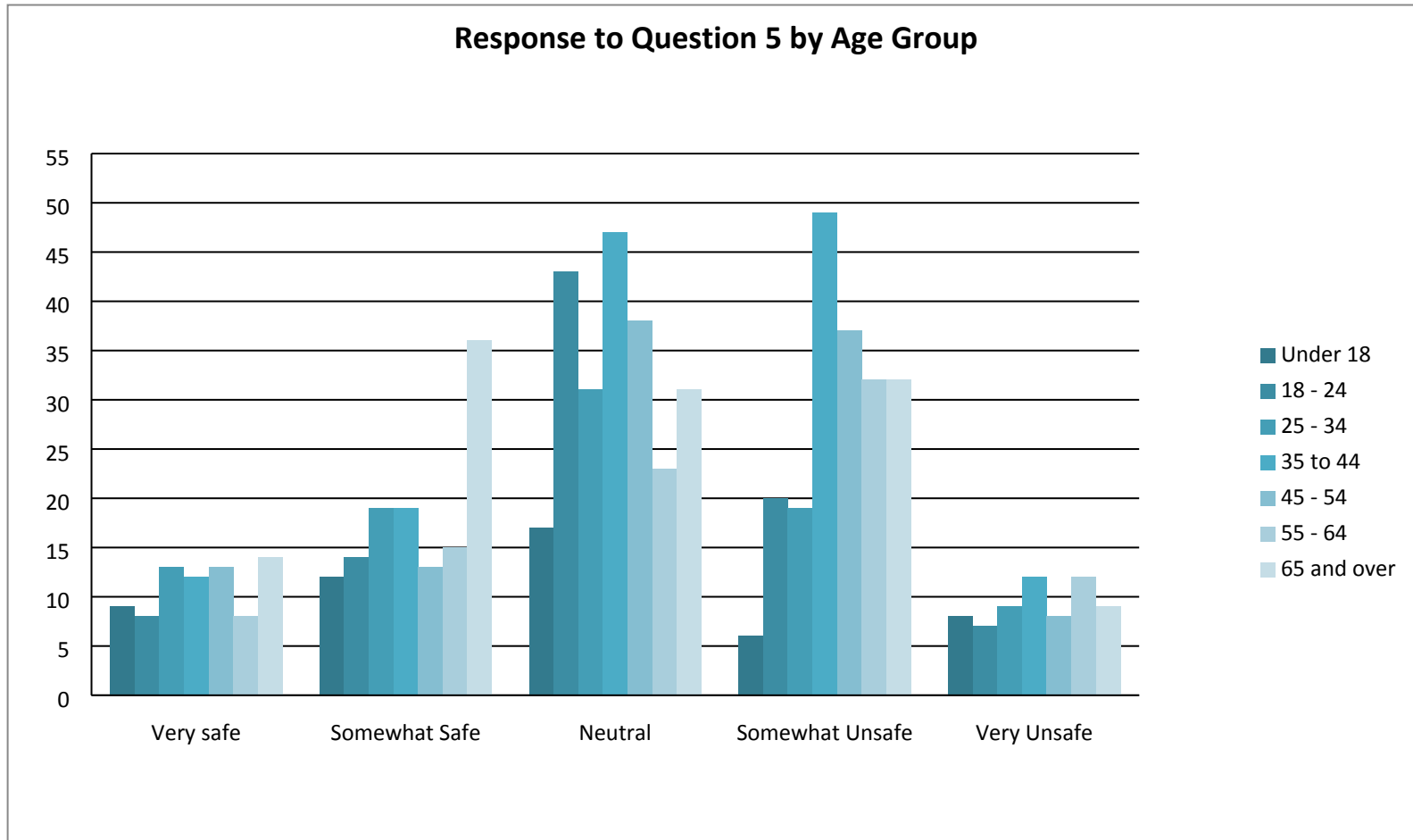
5. How safe do you feel living/working in the City of Gosnells?

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47% of respondents did not provide an answer to this question.

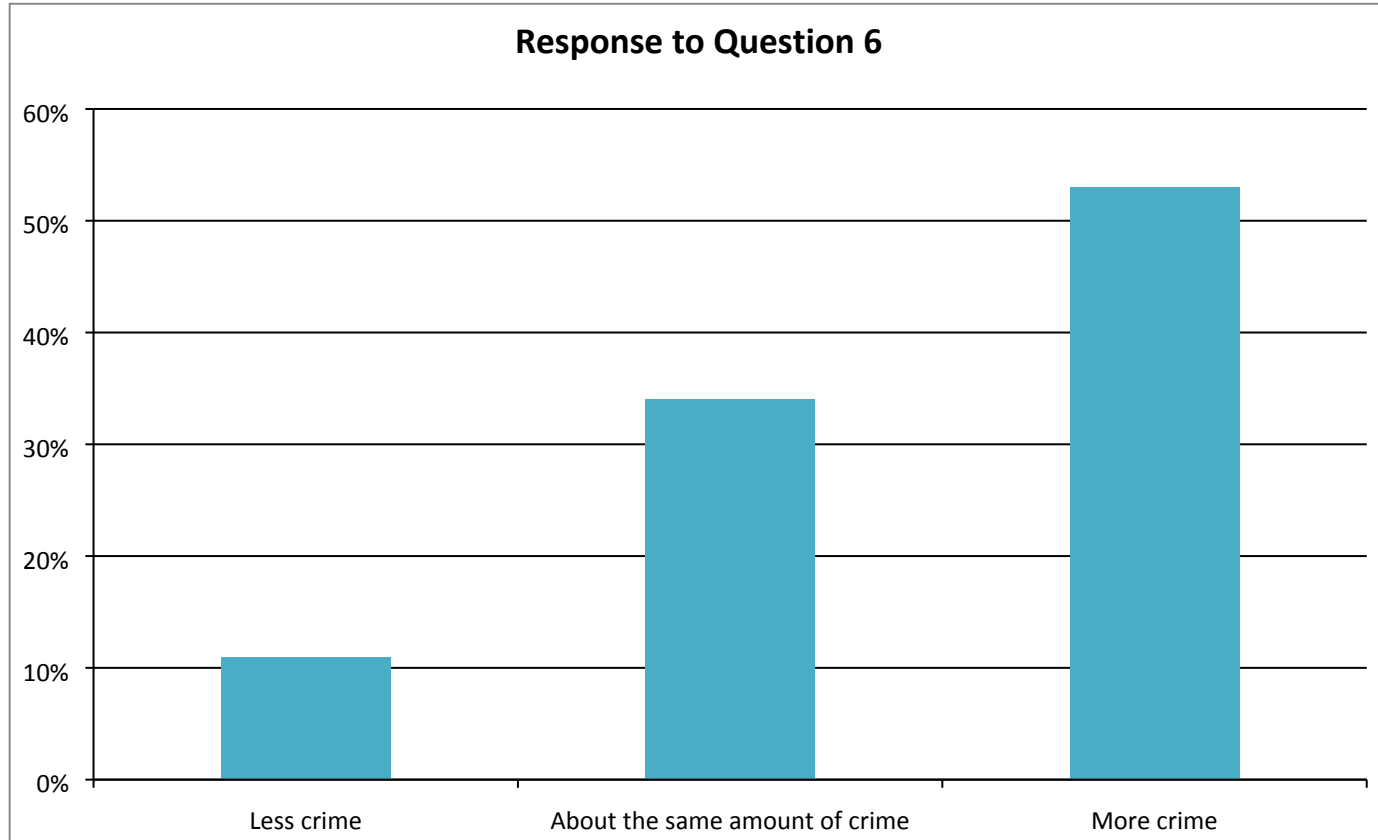
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47% of respondents did not provide an answer to this question

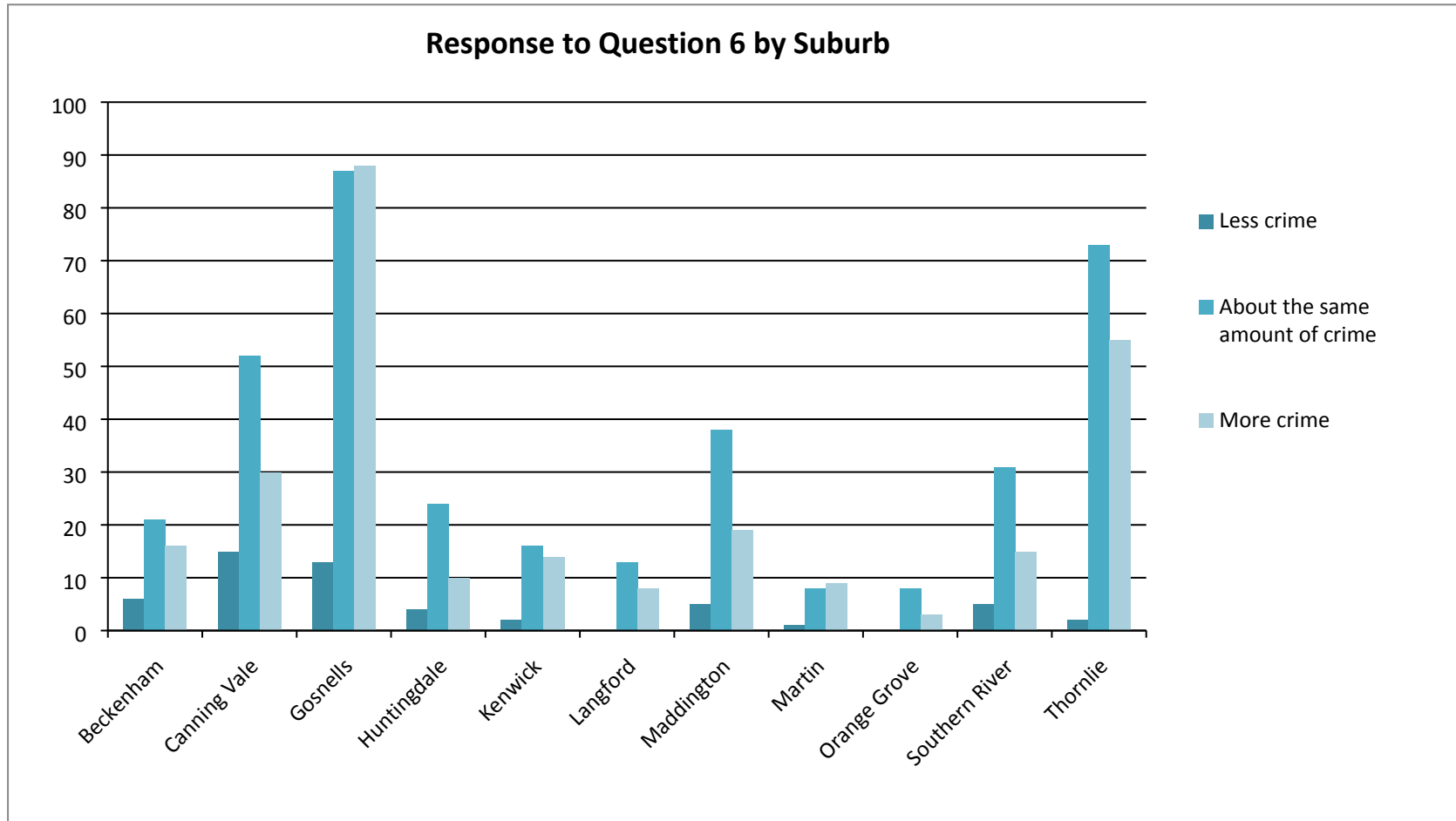
6. When compared to other local councils in the area do you believe that the City of Gosnells has less crime, about the same amount of crime, or more crime?

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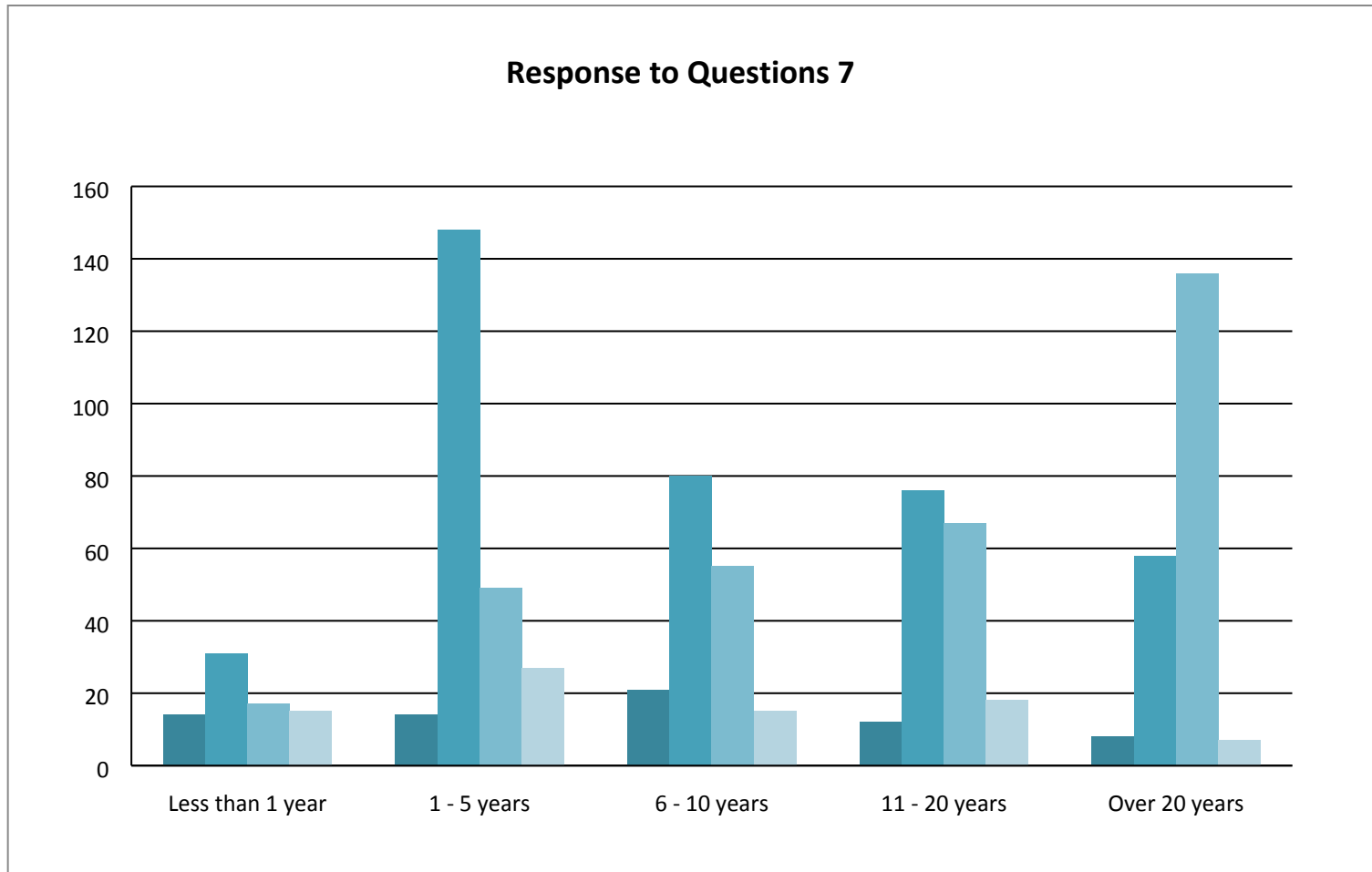
39% of respondents did not provide an answer to this question.

The following table shows the responses received for Question 6 by suburb:



7. How long have you lived or worked in the City of Gosnells?

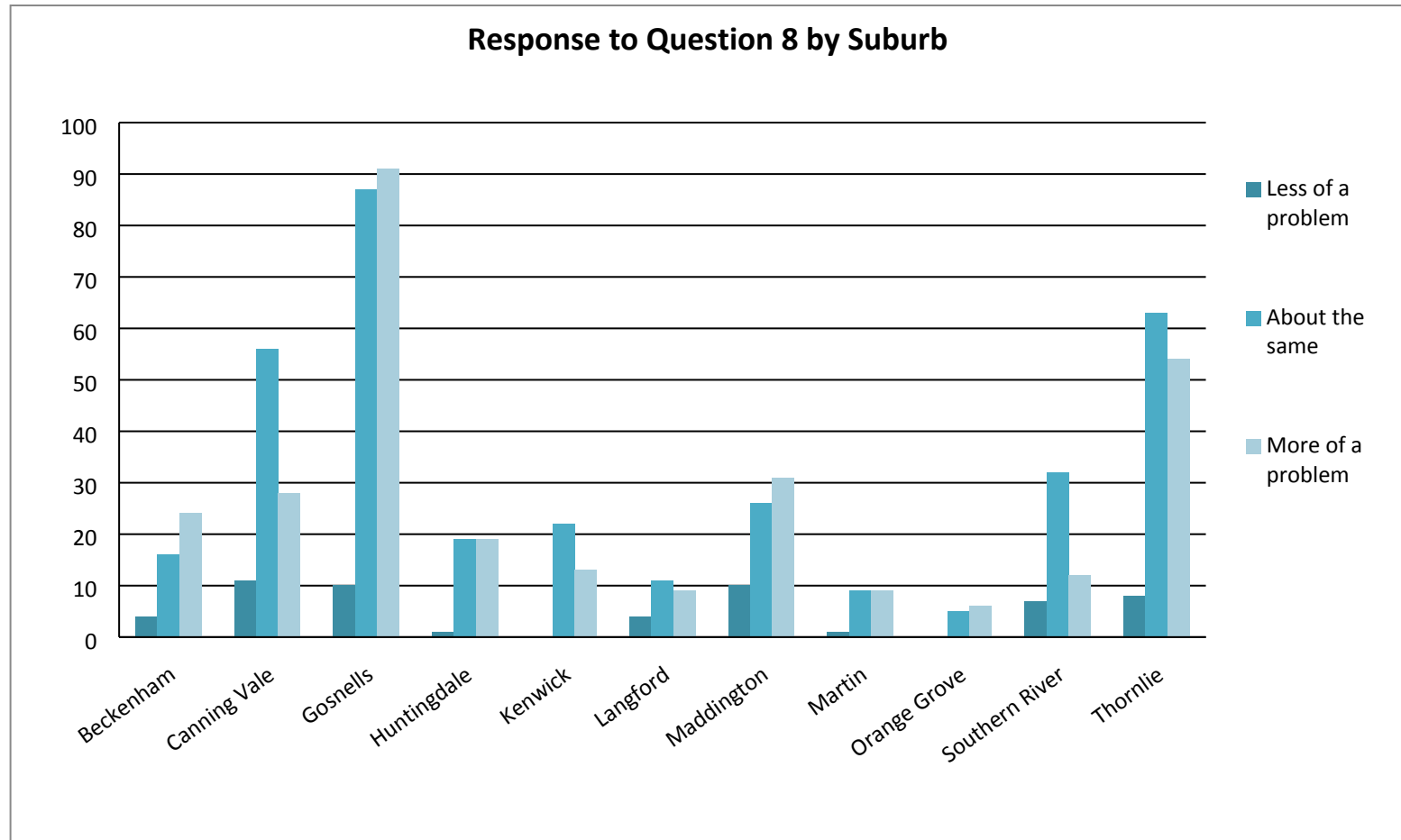
The following table shows the responses received for Questions 7:



38% respondents did not provide an answer to this question.

8. During the time that you have lived/worked in the City of Gosnells do you believe that crime is:

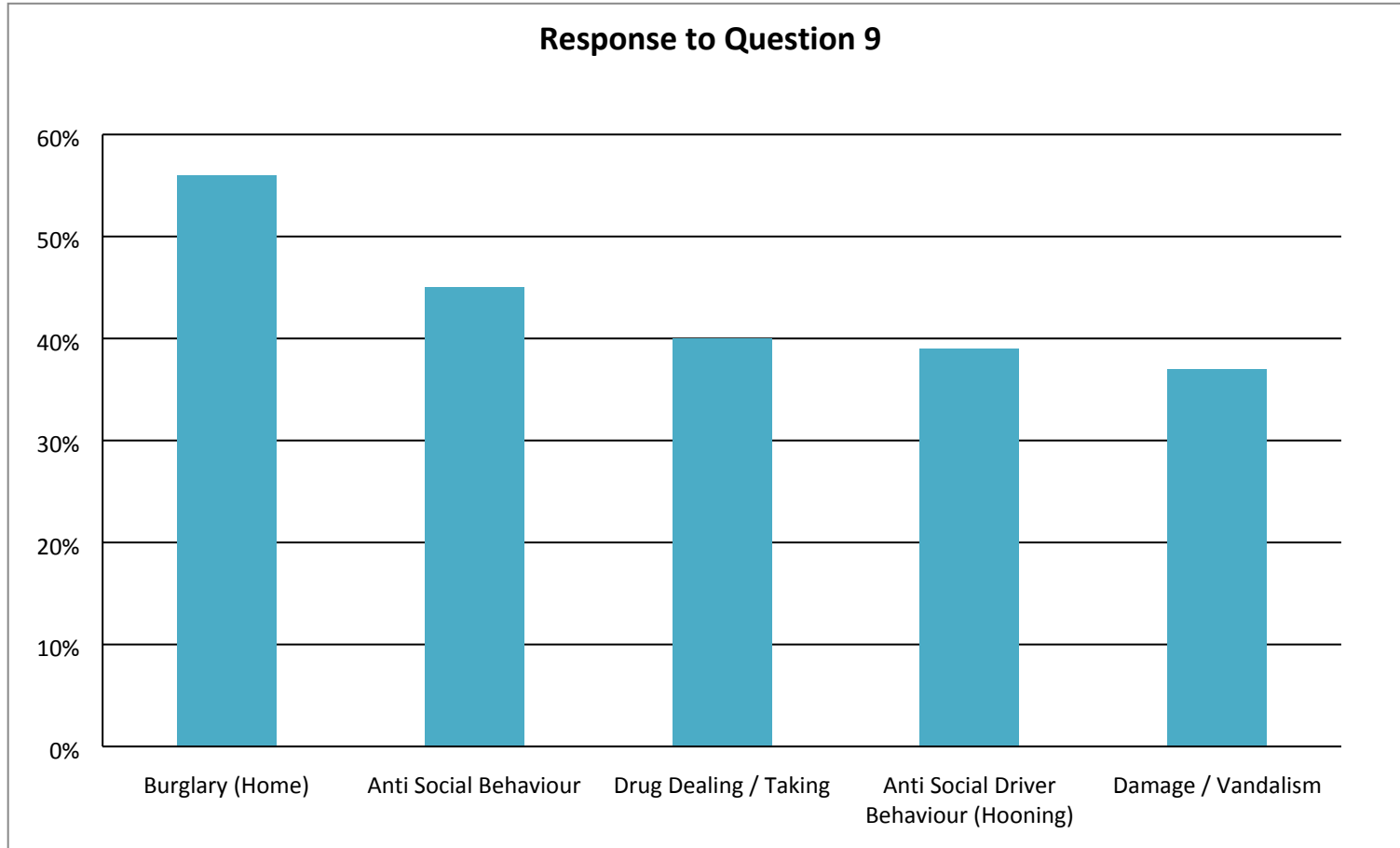
The following table shows responses to Questions 7 and 8 by Suburb:



45% respondents did not provide an answer to this question.

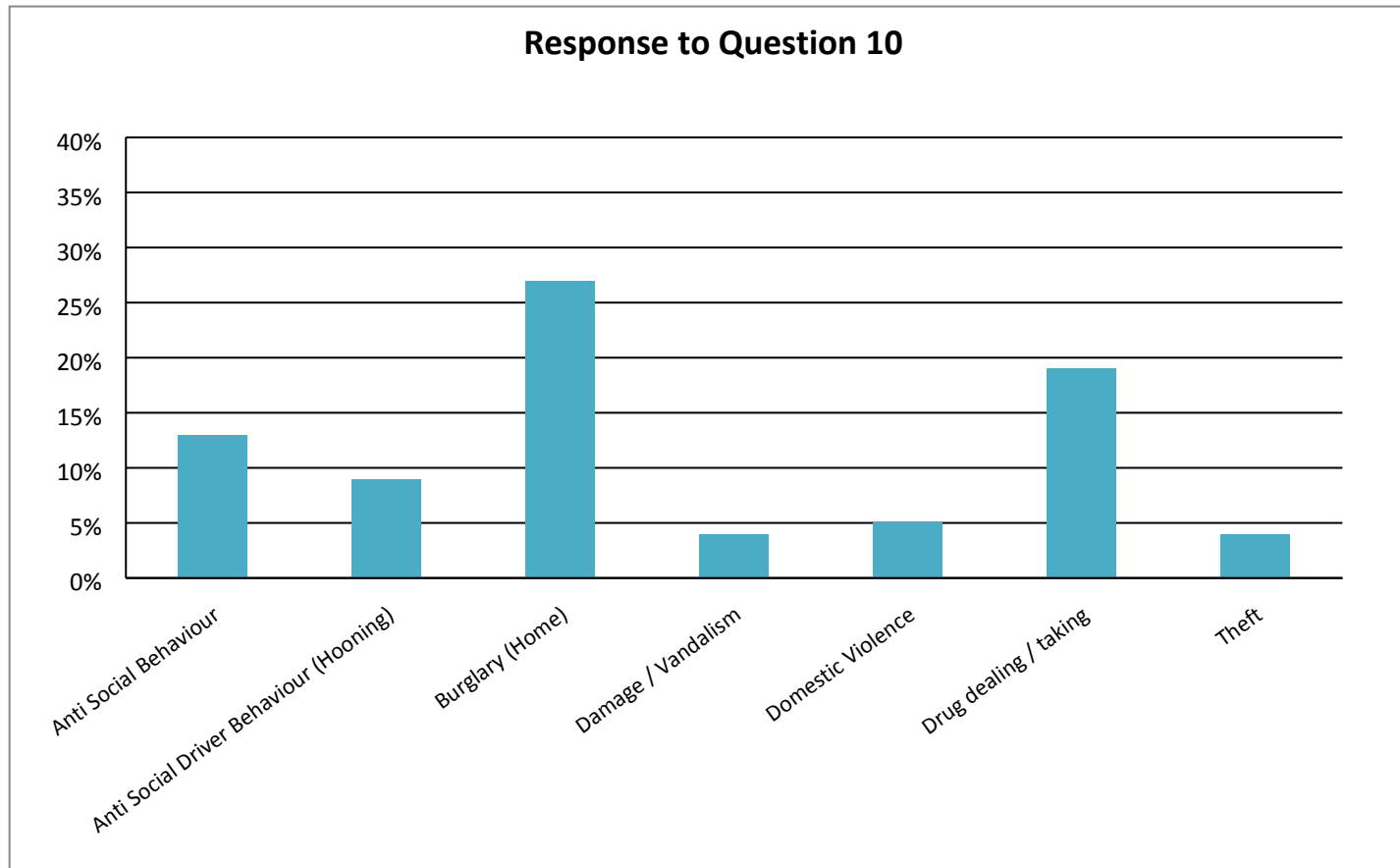
9. Please consider the following crimes/safety issues and pick the 5 that are most likely to occur in the City of Gosnells:

A total of 19 options were available for participants to select from with the following crimes/ safety issues being identified as the most likely to occur in the City of Gosnells:



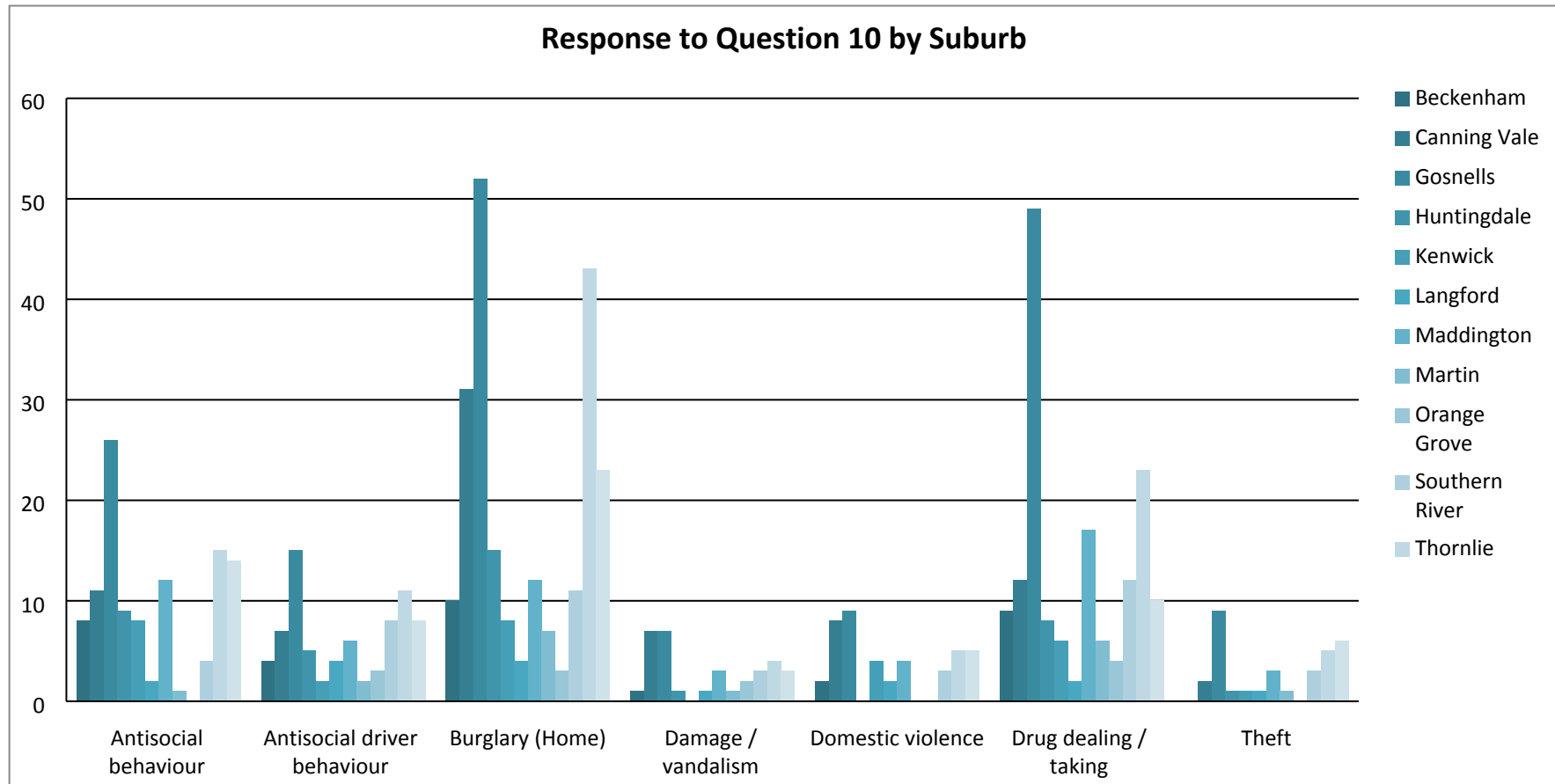
52% of respondents did not provide an answer to this question

10. Please identify the crime/safety issue that you believe is of the greatest priority for your community to address:



89% of respondents did not provide an answer to this question.

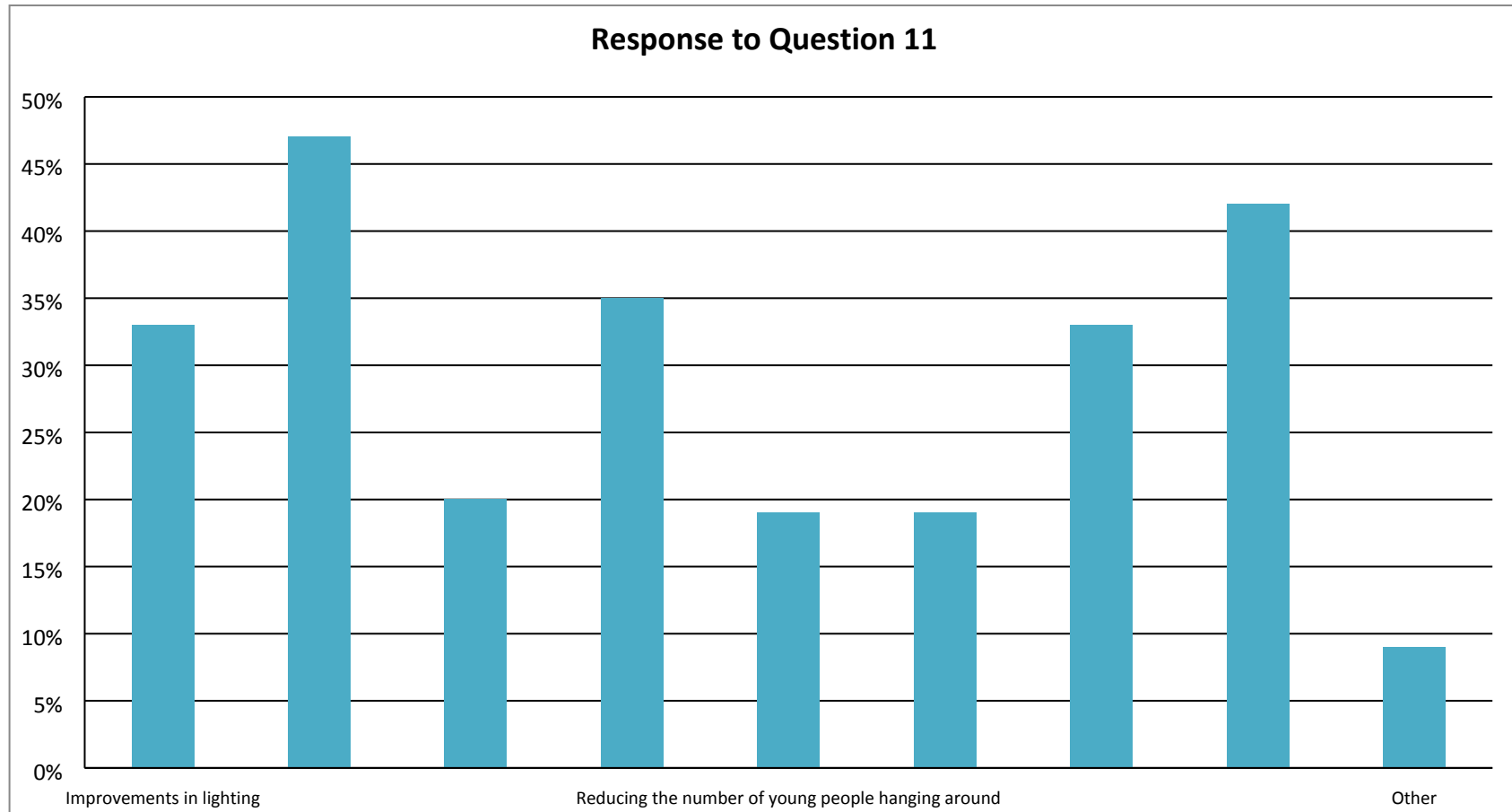
The following table shows responses to Question 10 by Suburb:



49% respondents did not provide an answer to this question.

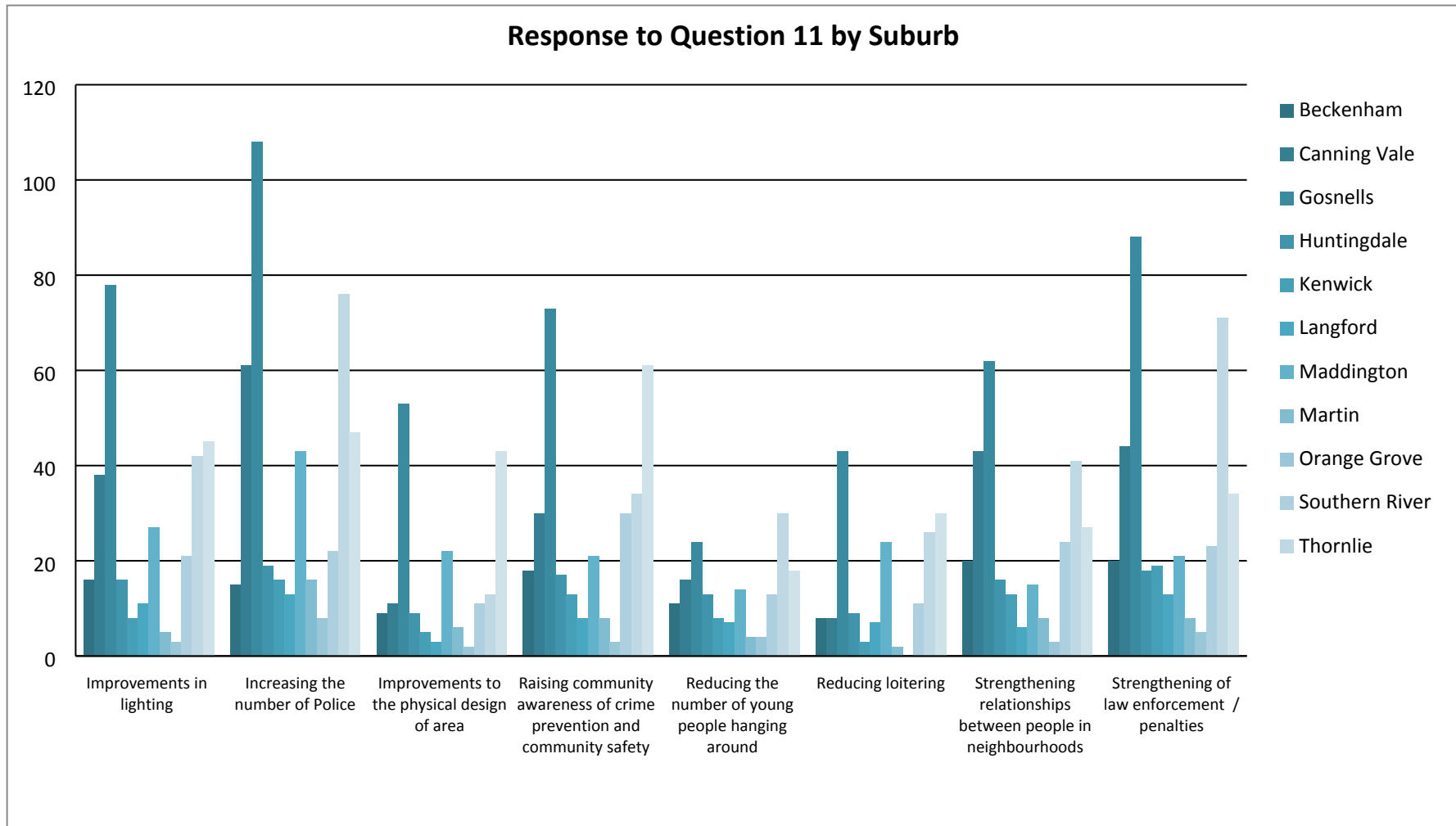
11. In general terms please select what you see as the 3 main things that you believe would improve community safety.

The following chart shows the overall response to Question 11:



45% of respondents did not provide an answer and 96 responses had more than 3 selected

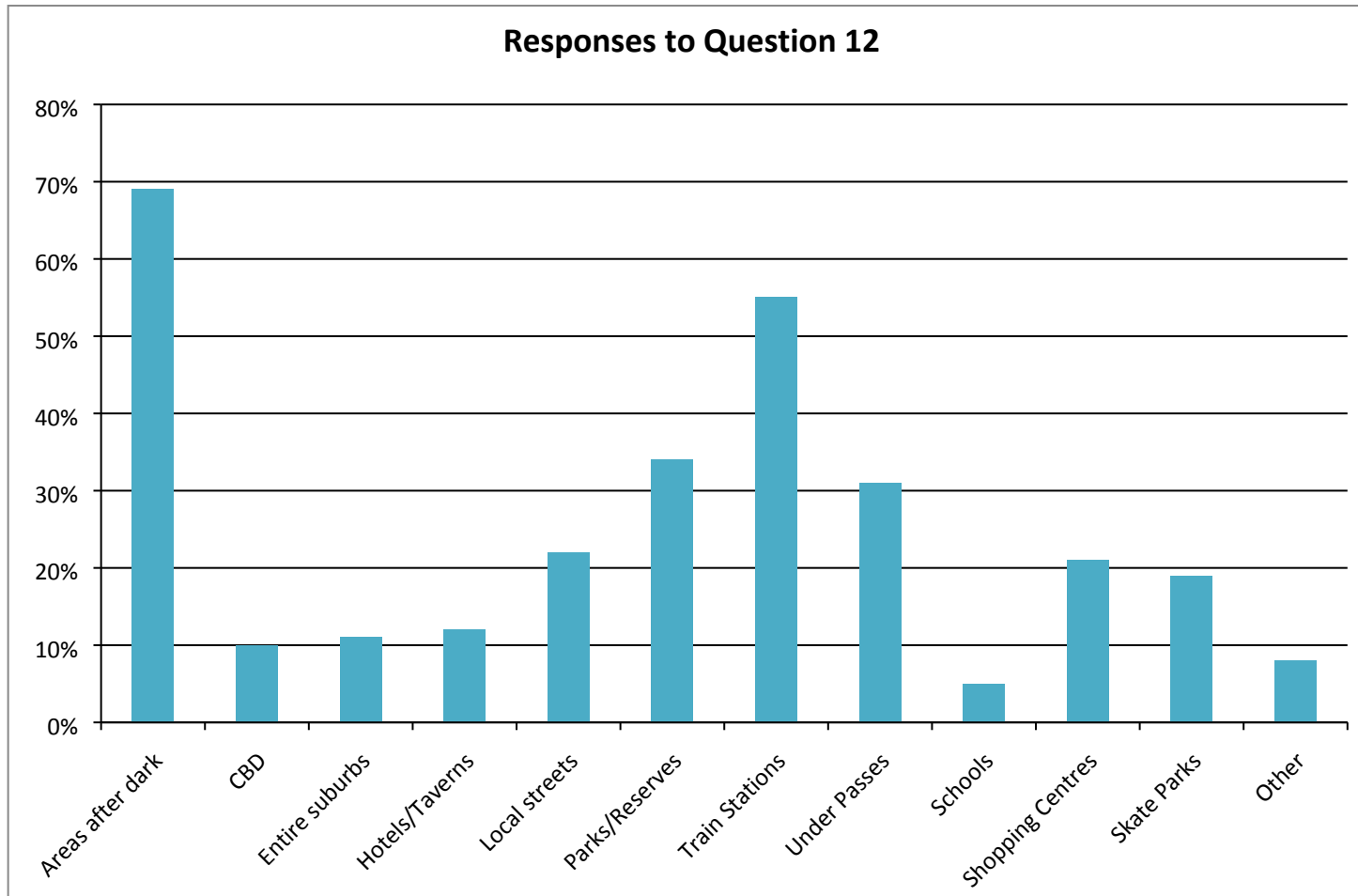
The following chart shows the top responses to Question 11 by Suburb:



43% respondents did not provide an answer to this question.

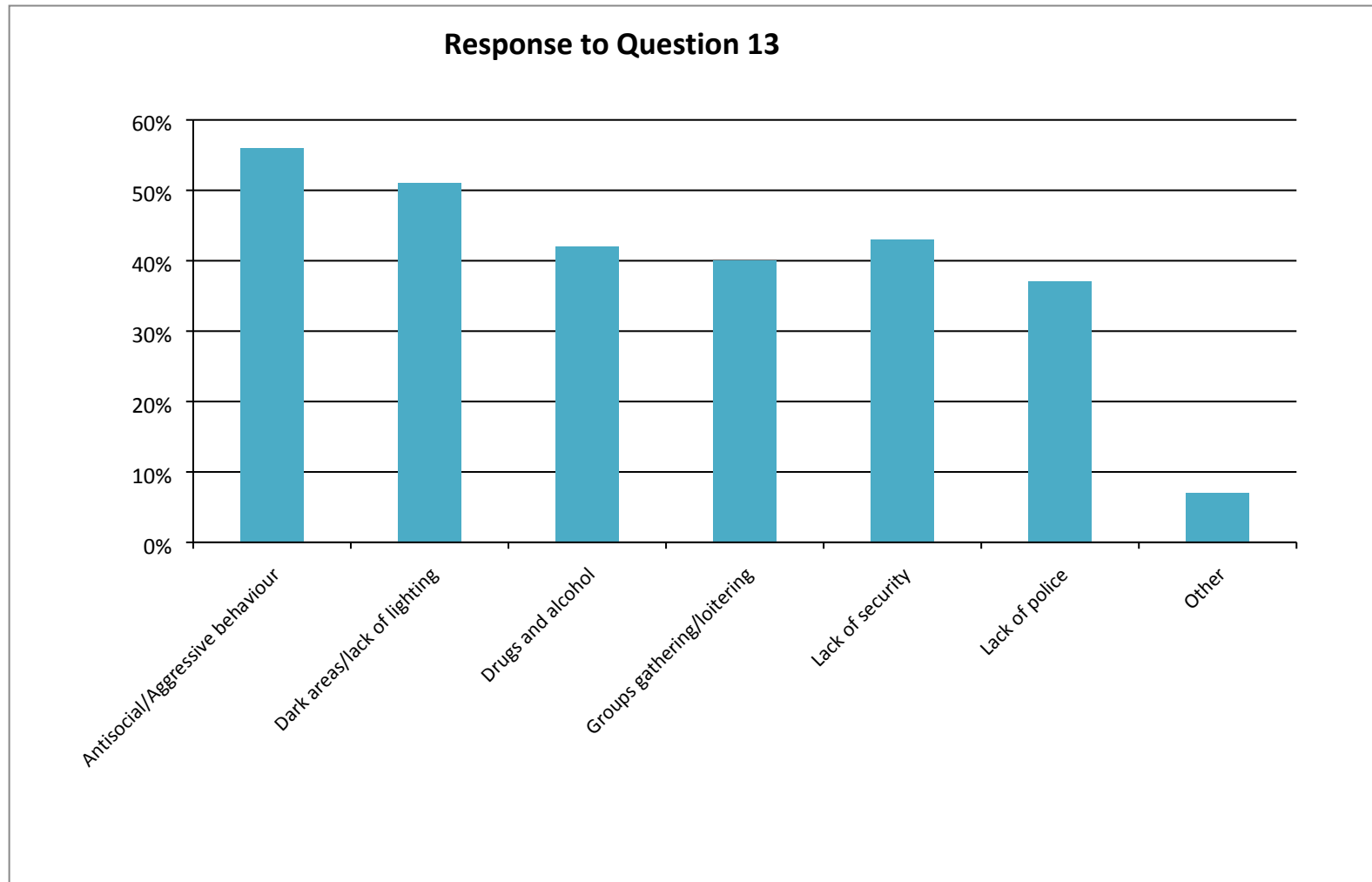
12. Are there any areas in the City of Gosnells that you feel unsafe?

The following areas were identified by people as the most unsafe.



53% of respondents did not provide an answer to this question.

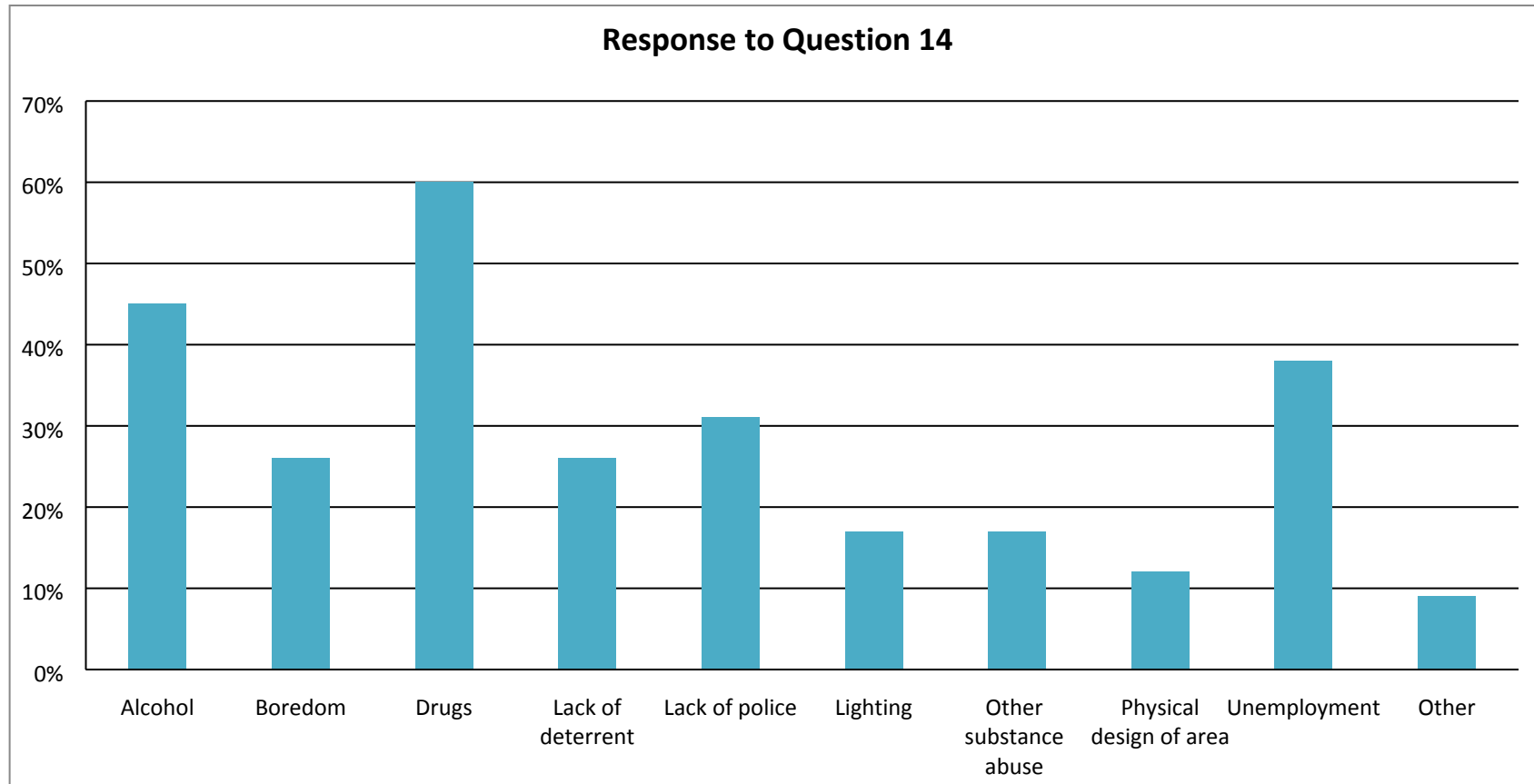
13. Please tell us why you feel unsafe in these areas.



53% of respondents did not provide an answer to this question.

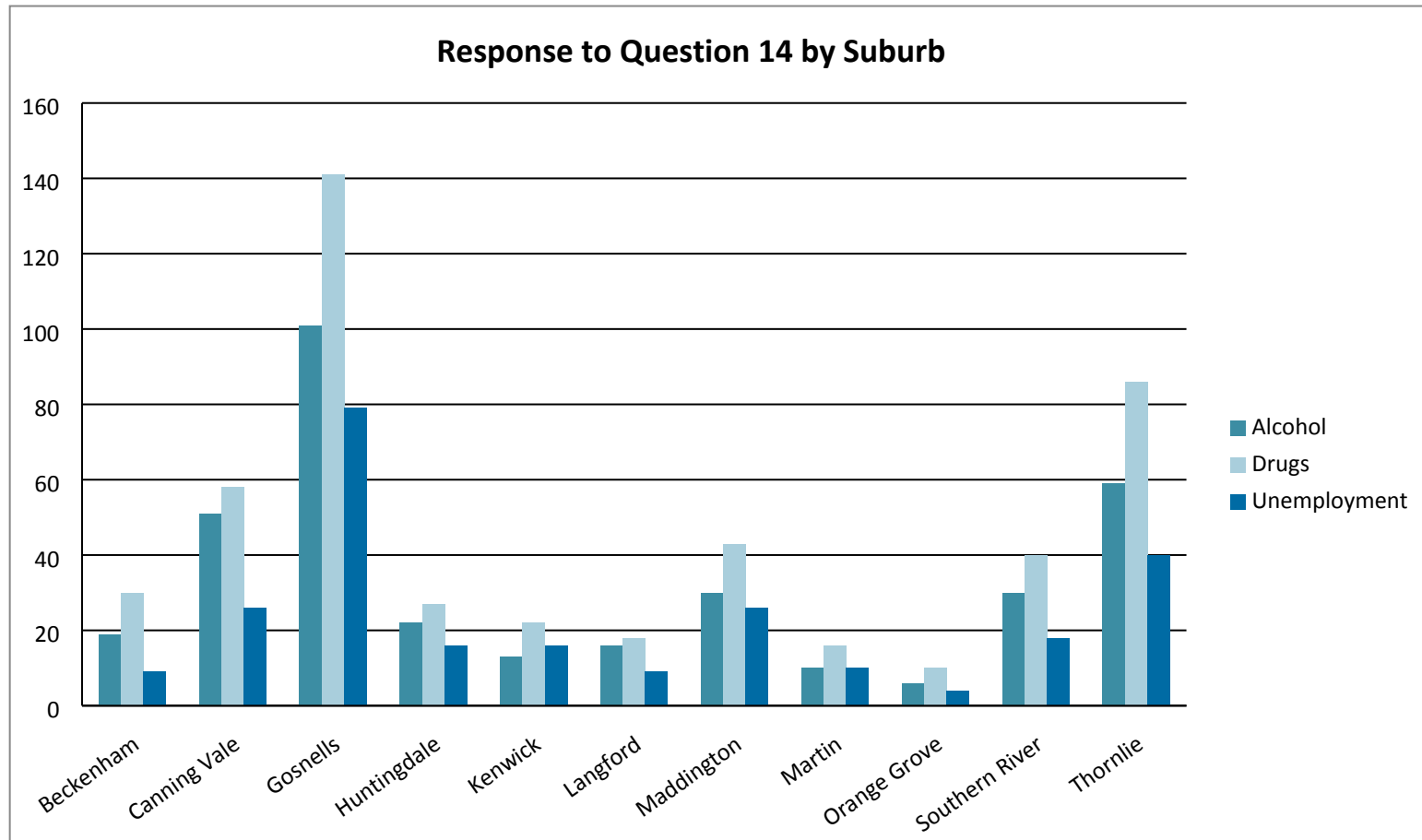
14. What do you see as the 3 main things that you think increase crime in your area.

The following chart shows the overall responses to Question 14:



48% of respondents did not provide an answer to this question.

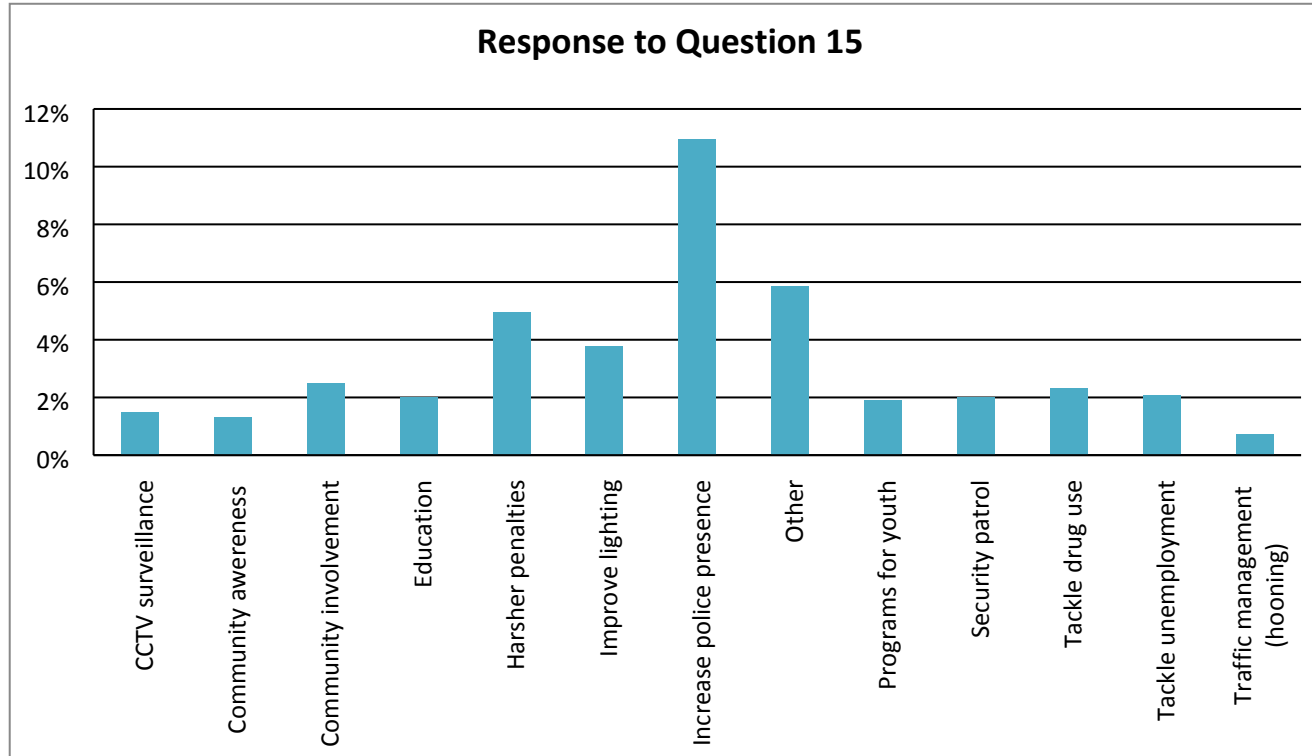
The following chart shows the top three responses to Question 14 by suburb. :



47% of respondents did not provide an answer to this question. .

15. What do you feel could be done to address this crime/safety issue within your community?

This question did not provide multiple choice answers, therefore responses have been allocated to the main areas shown in the chart. Where identified, up to a total of four options were included for each response.



A total of 72% of respondents did not provide an answer to this question.

Of the 707 answers received for this question, the following three areas received the highest amount of responses:

- Increase police presence: 11%
- Harsher penalties 5%
- Improve lighting 4%

The following tables show the data information received for each question, which the above tables have been created from.

1. I believe that the crime rate in the City of Gosnells is:

Rate	Responses
Very Low	4%
Somewhat Low	6%
Neutral	25%
Somewhat High	37%
Very High	26%
No Answer	29%

Rate	Under 18	18 - 24	25 - 34	35 to 44	45 - 54	55 - 64	65 and over
Very Low	5	6	1	1	3	3	2
Somewhat Low	6	6	7	8	7	2	5
Neutral	21	44	28	26	22	10	22
Somewhat High	10	24	34	59	52	34	63
Very High	6	15	24	42	31	41	35
No Answer	16	8	9	13	3	3	6

2. What are you basing your answer to Question 1 on?

Answer	Responses
I have recently been a victim of crime in my area	18%
I know of someone who has been a recent victim of crime in my area	33%
Media coverage of events in the area	40%
Crime statistics from Neighbourhood Watch or WA Police Force	31%
Word of mouth	44%
No answer	28%

3. If you have been a victim of crime/s or you have witnessed a crime did you report it to the Police?

Answer	Responses
Yes	57%
No	29%
Sometimes	13%
No answer	58%

4. If you selected No or Sometimes, please tell us why you did not report the incident to the Police?

Answer	Responses
I didn't know how to	13%
I didn't have time	19%
I haven't been a victim of crime	55%
I was too scared	11%
No answer	81%

5. How safe do you feel living / working in the City of Gosnells?

Rating	Responses
Very Safe	8%
Somewhat Safe	21%
Neutral	27%
Somewhat Unsafe	31%
Very Unsafe	10%
No Answer	47%

Responses to question 5 by age group

Rate	Under 18	18 - 24	25 - 34	35 to 44	45 - 54	55 - 64	65 and over
Very safe	9	8	13	12	13	8	14
Somewhat Safe	12	14	19	19	13	15	36
Neutral	17	43	31	47	38	23	31
Somewhat Unsafe	6	20	19	49	37	32	32
Very Unsafe	8	7	9	12	8	12	9
No answer	12	11	12	10	9	3	11

6. When compared to other local councils in the area do you believe that the City of Gosnells has less crime, about the same amount of crime, or more crime?

Amount	Response
Less crime	11%
About the same amount of crime	34%
More crime	53%
No answer	39%

Responses to question 6 by suburb

Level	Beckenham	Canning Vale	Gosnells	Huntingdale	Kenwick	Langford	Maddington	Martin	Orange Grove	Southern River	Thornlie	No answer
Less crime	6	15	13	4	2	0	5	1	0	5	2	41
About the same amount of crime	21	52	87	24	16	13	38	8	8	31	73	152
More crime	16	30	88	10	14	8	19	9	3	15	55	152
No Answer	4	4	18	10	5	4	8	3	0	10	3	584

7. How long have you lived or worked in the City of Gosnells?

8. During the time that you have lived / worked in the City of Gosnells do you believe that crime has:

Level	Less of a problem	About the same	More of a problem	No answer
Less than 1 year	14	31	17	15
1 - 5 years	14	148	49	27
6 - 10 years	21	80	55	15
11 - 20 years	12	76	67	18
Over 20 years	8	58	136	7
Not indicated	20	56	104	645

Responses to question 8 by suburb

Level	Less of a problem	About the same	More of a problem	No answer
Beckenham	4	16	24	3
Canning Vale	11	56	28	6
Gosnells	10	87	91	18
Huntingdale	1	19	19	9
Kenwick	0	22	13	2
Langford	4	11	9	1
Maddington	10	26	31	5
Martin	1	9	9	2
Orange Grove	0	5	6	1
Southern River	7	32	12	10
Thornlie	8	63	54	8
Not indicated	32	103	133	757

9. Please consider the following crimes / safety issues and pick the 5 that are most likely to occur in the City of Gosnells:

Answer	Response
Anti-Social Behaviour	45%
Anti-Social Driver Behaviour (Hooning)	39%
Burglary (Business)	19%
Burglary (Home)	56%
Damage / Vandalism	37%
Domestic Violence	21%
Other	7%
Drug Dealing / Taking	40%
Graffiti	25%
Motor vehicle theft	20%
Theft	33%
Physical assault	12%
Racial conflict	12%
Sexual assault	5%
Stealing from motor vehicles	16%
Street drinking	26%
Street gangs	7%
Substance abuse (glue sniffing)	9%
Robbery (stealing with violence)	14%
no answer	52%

10. Please identify one crime / safety issue that you believe is of the greatest priority for your community to address.

Answer	Response
Anti-Social Behaviour	13%
Anti-Social Driver Behaviour (Hooning)	9%
Burglary (Business)	0%
Burglary (Home)	27%
Damage / Vandalism	4%
Domestic Violence	5%
Other	2%
Drug dealing / taking	19%
Graffiti	2%
Motor vehicle theft	1%
Theft	4%
Physical assault	1%
Racial conflict	1%
Sexual assault	0%
Street drinking	1%
Stealing from motor vehicles	1%
Street gangs	1%
Substance abuse (glue sniffing)	0%
Robbery (stealing with violence)	1%
no answer	89%

11. In general terms please select what you see as the 3 main things that you believe would improve community safety.

Answer	Response
Improvements in lighting	33%
Increasing the number of Police	47%
Improvements to the physical design of area	20%
Raising community awareness of crime prevention and community safety	35%
Reducing the number of young people hanging around	19%
Reducing loitering e.g. Homelessness and begging	19%
Strengthening the relationship between people in neighbourhoods	33%
Strengthening of law enforcement / penalties	42%
Other	9%
No Answer	45%

Responses to question 11 by suburb

	Beckenham	Canning Vale	Gosnells	Huntingdale	Kenwick	Langford	Maddington	Martin	Orange Grove	Southern River	Thornlie	Not Indicated
Improvements in lighting	16	38	78	16	8	11	27	5	3	21	42	45
Increasing the number of Police	15	61	108	19	16	13	43	16	8	22	76	47
Improvements to the physical design of area	9	11	53	9	5	3	22	6	2	11	13	43
Raising community awareness of crime prevention and community safety	18	30	73	17	13	8	21	8	3	30	34	61
Reducing the number of young people hanging around	11	16	24	13	8	7	14	4	4	13	30	18
Reducing loitering	8	8	43	9	3	7	24	2	0	11	26	30
Strengthening relationships between people in neighbourhoods	20	43	62	16	13	6	15	8	3	24	41	27
Strengthening of law enforcement / penalties	20	44	88	18	19	13	21	8	5	23	71	34
Other	2	3	15	1	5	0	3	1	3	3	14	28
No answer	1	4	5	2	3	0	2	0	0	2	5	731

12. Are there any areas within the City of Gosnells that you feel unsafe? Please list them.

Answer	Responses
Areas after dark	69%
CBD	10%
Entire suburbs	11%
Hotels/Taverns	12%
Local streets	22%
Parks/Reserves	34%
Train Stations	55%
Under Passes	31%
Schools	5%
Shopping Centres	21%
Skate Parks	19%
Other	8%
No answer	53%

13. Please tell us why you feel unsafe in these areas.

Answer	Responses
Antisocial/Aggressive behaviour	56%
Dark areas/lack of lighting	51%
Drugs and alcohol	42%
Groups gathering/loitering	40%
Lack of security	43%
Lack of police	37%
Other	7%
No answer	53%

14. Please select what you see as the 3 main things that you think increase crime in your area.

Answer	Response
Alcohol	45%
Boredom	26%
Drugs	60%
Lack of deterrent	26%
Lack of police	31%
Lighting	17%
Other substance abuse	17%
Physical design of area	12%
Unemployment	38%
Other	9%
No Answer	48%

Responses to question 14 by suburb

By suburb	Beckenham	Canning Vale	Gosnells	Huntingdale	Kenwick	Langford	Maddington	Martin	Orange Grove	Southern River	Thornlie	Not Indicated
Alcohol	19	51	101	22	13	16	30	10	6	30	59	34
Boredom	13	30	52	10	10	5	19	4	2	16	44	14
Drugs	30	58	141	27	22	18	43	16	10	40	86	36
Lack of deterrent	10	23	47	15	10	4	15	3	5	19	38	19
Lack of police	13	28	60	8	11	8	19	10	5	19	46	17
Lighting	10	14	28	5	3	4	12	1	0	10	17	16
Other substance abuse	8	14	24	7	6	5	5	4	0	11	13	11
Physical design of area	8	8	18	3	3	1	8	2	1	3	7	31
Unemployment	9	26	79	16	16	9	26	10	4	18	40	30
Other	6	4	13	5	2	1	6	0	0	2	5	30
No Answer	1	6	6	3	3	0	5	0	0	1	5	790

15. What do you think could be done to address crime/safety in your community?

Answer	Response
CCTV surveillance	1%
Community awareness	1%
Community involvement	2%
Education	2%
Harsher penalties	5%
Improve lighting	4%
Increase police presence	11%
Other	6%
Programs for youth	2%
Security patrol	2%
Tackle drug use	2%
Tackle unemployment	2%
Traffic management (hooning)	1%
No answer	72%