

Topline questionnaire

Fall 2024, Brentwood Environmental Attitudes and Policy Support Survey

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Methodology in Brief: This survey was funded by the Stern Civic Engagement Lab at the University of Maryland as part of a partnership study with the town of Brentwood, Maryland. The survey was designed and implemented by Professor Shanna Pearson-Merkowitz and Camille Wejnert-Depue, along with the 60 students enrolled in PLCY306 for Fall 2024. The town of Brentwood seeks to gather information on resident awareness about climate change mitigation strategies, household environmental actions, and preferences for Brentwood's sustainability politics and programs. The survey was designed to help the Town understand resident awareness and interests to facilitate community programs and policies geared toward climate resilience. The survey was conducted between Friday, October 18th, and Monday, October 21st, with five groups of door knockers spread throughout those days. The survey was open until the end of November for all apartment residents since they were notified later about the survey. In total, 130 households took the survey.

The survey was administered by students in "Policy Analysis in Action" (PLCY306) for Fall 2024. Students from PLCY306 were trained in research ethics and in-person survey methodology. Students were sent in teams to knock on the doors of the 686 households that had accessible doors. Apartment complexes were excluded from in-person survey collection due to accessibility. Each household received five attempts. If a household member answered and agreed to take the survey, they were offered a tablet to enter their answers electronically. If no one answered after the fifth attempt, a door hanger with a QR code and website was left to access the survey. Apartment residents were given a QR code in the town's newsletter to access the survey. Respondents were asked a total of 30 questions, with the option to opt out of answering a question (or the rest of the survey) at any point. The survey was offered in English and Spanish. The respondents' mode of survey participation was noted (QR code online vs. in-person at the door).

For each question in the survey, cross-tabulations have been provided for responses across Hispanic ethnicity, race (white/non-white), and annual household income (\$60k and under and \$60k and over). The numbers in each cross-tabulation table represent the percentage breakdown of respondents rather than the raw respondent number (*N*). The demographic comparison table is also given in percentages.

Demographic Comparison – Census vs. Survey Respondents

*Results are given in percentages; Census data was gathered from the American Community Survey (ACS)

	Census Population (%)	Survey Respondents (%)
Race		
American Indian and Alaska Native	5	2
Asian	1	3
Black/African-American	36	18
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.1	1
White	11	52
Other	47	11
Ethnicity		
Hispanic	51	25
Non-Hispanic	49	75
Gender		
Male	50	35
Female	50	58
Nonbinary/Other	n/a	4
Age		
18-24	9	6
25-34	18	23
35-44	18	23
45-54	14	22
55-64	10	13
65+	9	14

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Q1: Which of the following environment-related issues concern you most? Please choose up to 3.

Overall	%
Increased flooding or extreme storms	16
Hotter temperatures	17
More invasive insects, pests, plants, or vines	12
More wildfires	2
Air quality	9
Sea level rise	5
High energy prices	8
Amount of trash going into landfills	14
Illnesses related to heat stress or poor air quality	8
Worse water quality	7
Total	100

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	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Increased flooding or extreme storms	12	20	18	7	10	19
Hotter temperatures	14	20	18	14	15	20
More invasive insects, pests, plants, or vines	16	9	10	21	15	10
More wildfires	1	2	2	1	2	1
Air quality	7	13	10	7	11	9
Sea level rise	5	7	6	1	6	6
High energy prices	13	4	6	16	10	6
Amount of trash going into landfills	16	11	14	14	10	15
Illnesses related to heat stress or poor air quality	8	7	8	11	13	6
Worse water quality	9	7	8	6	9	7
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100

Q2: As you may know, some areas of Brentwood are in a floodplain. How concerned are you about how OFTEN storms occur?

Overall	
Very concerned	36%
Somewhat concerned	54
Not at all concerned	10

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Very concerned	39	35	36	37	32	38
Somewhat concerned	47	60	57	44	53	58
Not at all concerned	14	5	8	19	15	4

Q3: How concerned are you about the INTENSITY of storms?

Overall	
Very concerned	45%
Somewhat concerned	47
Not at all concerned	8

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Very concerned	47	41	43	52	32	50
Somewhat concerned	45	54	51	37	59	44
Not at all concerned	8	5	7	11	9	6

Q4: How important are the following government policies and projects to you? - **Helping households get their energy through cleaner resources**

Overall	
Very important	69%
Somewhat important	24
Not at all important	7

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Very important	71	70	70	62.5	58	69
Somewhat important	20	23	24	25	26	27
Not at all important	9	7	6	11.5	16	4

Q4: How important are the following government policies and projects to you? - **Creating more jobs that also help the environment**

Overall	
Very important	70%
Somewhat important	21
Not at all important	9

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Very important	73	64	68	75	70	68
Somewhat important	22	21	22	21	20	22
Not at all important	4	14	10	4	10	10

Q4: How important are the following government policies and projects to you? - **Job training for environmental jobs**

Overall	
Very important	50%
Somewhat important	38
Not at all important	12

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Very important	53	47	48	60	58	43
Somewhat important	40	35	40	32	29	45
Not at all important	7	18	12	8	13	12

Q4: How important are the following government policies and projects to you? - **Preparing for extreme weather events**

Overall	
Very important	72%
Somewhat important	25
Not at all important	3

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Very important	70	74	72	73	63	77
Somewhat important	26	24	27	19	28	23
Not at all important	4	2	1	8	9	0

Q4: How important are the following government policies and projects to you? - **Helping households afford electric vehicles (EVs) and electric vehicle chargers**

Overall	
Very important	46%
Somewhat important	30
Not at all important	24

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Very important	49	43	41	60	48	44
Somewhat important	29	32	32	24	26	31
Not at all important	22	25	26	16	26	25

Q4: How important are the following government policies and projects to you? - **Supporting Brentwood households and business environmental efforts**

Overall	
Very important	63%
Somewhat important	31
Not at all important	6

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Very important	76	55	59	75	63	58
Somewhat important	16	41	36	12.5	20	29
Not at all important	9	4	4	12.5	17	3

Q4: How important are the following government policies and projects to you? - **Composting food waste**

Overall	
Very important	50%
Somewhat important	41
Not at all important	9

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Very important	53	44	48	60	52	49
Somewhat important	36	47	43	32	32	45
Not at all important	11	9	9	8	16	6

Q4: How important are the following government policies and projects to you? - **Helping households reduce their utility bills**

Overall	
Very important	66%
Somewhat important	26
Not at all important	7

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Very important	75	57	63	76	61	64
Somewhat important	23	30	28	20	29	28
Not at all important	2	13	9	0	7	9

Q5: Have you ever thought about buying an EV?

Overall	
Yes, and I currently own an all-electric vehicle	2
Yes, and I currently own a hybrid-electric vehicle	18
Yes, I have thought about purchasing an electric or hybrid vehicle, but I do not currently own one	45
No, I have not thought about purchasing an EV	27
No, I walk, bike, or use public transit and do not own a vehicle	9

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes, and I currently own an all-electric vehicle	2	2	2	0	0	3
Yes, and I currently own a hybrid-electric vehicle	17	19	20	11	6	23
Yes, I have thought about purchasing an electric or hybrid vehicle, but I do not currently own one	37	56	47	37	26	59

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No, I have not thought about purchasing an EV	33	18	23	41	55	10
No, I walk, bike, or use public transit and do not own a vehicle	11	5	8	11	13	4

Q5a (If Yes, own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know why you chose to buy an electric or hybrid vehicle instead of a gas-powered vehicle. Did any of the following factors influence your decision to buy an electric/hybrid vehicle? - **Air pollution**

Overall	
Yes, this influenced my decision	95%
No, this did not influence my decision	5

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes, this influenced my decision	100	92	95	100	100	94
No, this did not influence my decision	0	8	5	0	0	6

Q5a (If Yes, own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know why you chose to buy an electric or hybrid vehicle instead of a gas-powered vehicle. Did any of the following factors influence your decision to buy an electric/hybrid vehicle? - **Travel distance (how far you can drive on a full battery or full tank of gas)**

Overall	
Yes, this influenced my decision	77%
No, this did not influence my decision	23

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes, this influenced my decision	67	83	79	67	50	78
No, this did not influence my decision	33	17	21	33	50	22

Q5a (If Yes, own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know why you chose to buy an electric or hybrid vehicle instead of a gas-powered vehicle. Did any of the following factors influence your decision to buy an electric/hybrid vehicle? - **Access to public electric vehicle chargers**

Overall	
Yes, this influenced my decision	50%
No, this did not influence my decision	50

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes, this influenced my decision	67	33	42	100	50	44
No, this did not influence my decision	33	67	58	0	50	56

Q5a (If Yes, own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know why you chose to buy an electric or hybrid vehicle instead of a gas-powered vehicle. Did any of the following factors influence your decision to buy an electric/hybrid vehicle? - **Cost of a personal electric vehicle charger**

Overall	
Yes, this influenced my decision	50%
No, this did not influence my decision	50

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes, this influenced my decision	56	42	47	67	50	50
No, this did not influence my decision	44	58	53	33	50	50

Q5a (If Yes, own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know why you chose to buy an electric or hybrid vehicle instead of a gas-powered vehicle. Did any of the following factors influence your decision to buy an electric/hybrid vehicle? - **Household utility costs**

Overall	
Yes, this influenced my decision	32%
No, this did not influence my decision	68

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes, this influenced my decision	33	25	32	33	50	22
No, this did not influence my decision	67	75	68	67	50	78

Q5a (If Yes, own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know why you chose to buy an electric or hybrid vehicle instead of a gas-powered vehicle. Did any of the following factors influence your decision to buy an electric/hybrid vehicle? - **Purchasing cost of electric vehicles**

Overall	
Yes, this influenced my decision	68%
No, this did not influence my decision	32

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes, this influenced my decision	78	58	68	67	50	67
No, this did not influence my decision	22	42	32	33	50	33

Q5a (If Yes, own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know why you chose to buy an electric or hybrid vehicle instead of a gas-powered vehicle. Did any of the following factors influence your decision to buy an electric/hybrid vehicle? - **Gasoline costs**

Overall	
Yes, this influenced my decision	68%
No, this did not influence my decision	32

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes, this influenced my decision	56	75	63	100	100	61
No, this did not influence my decision	44	25	37	0	0	39

Q5a (If Yes, own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know why you chose to buy an electric or hybrid vehicle instead of a gas-powered vehicle. Did any of the following factors influence your decision to buy an electric/hybrid vehicle? - **Cost of vehicle maintenance**

Overall	
Yes, this influenced my decision	68%
No, this did not influence my decision	32

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes, this influenced my decision	56	75	68	67	50	67
No, this did not influence my decision	44	25	32	33	50	33

Q5a (If Yes, own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know why you chose to buy an electric or hybrid vehicle instead of a gas-powered vehicle. Did any of the following factors influence your decision to buy an electric/hybrid vehicle? - **Frequency of vehicle maintenance**

Overall	
Yes, this influenced my decision	55%
No, this did not influence my decision	45

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes, this influenced my decision	56	50	58	33	50	50
No, this did not influence my decision	44	50	42	67	50	50

Q5a (If Yes, own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know why you chose to buy an electric or hybrid vehicle instead of a gas-powered vehicle. Did any of the following factors influence your decision to buy an electric/hybrid vehicle? - **Noise levels from vehicle**

Overall	
Yes, this influenced my decision	27%
No, this did not influence my decision	73

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes, this influenced my decision	22	33	26	33	50	28
No, this did not influence my decision	78	67	74	67	50	72

Q5a (If Yes, own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know why you chose to buy an electric or hybrid vehicle instead of a gas-powered vehicle. Did any of the following factors influence your decision to buy an electric/hybrid vehicle? - **Other reasons that influenced decision to buy an electric/hybrid vehicle**

- I was gifted the car from a family member, but would have wanted a hybrid either way!
- Reduced dependence on fossil fuels
- Climate change
- It is the right thing to do for children and future generations

Q5b (If No, do not own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know what matters to you. Would any of the following factors influence your interest in buying an electric vehicle? - **Air pollution**

Overall	
Yes, would influence my decision to buy an EV	74%
No, would not influence my decision to buy an EV	26

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes, this influenced my decision	69	83	75	71	60	81
No, this did not influence my decision	31	17	25	29	40	19

Q5b (If No, do not own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know what matters to you. Would any of the following factors influence your interest in buying an electric vehicle? - **Travel distance (how far you can drive on a full battery or full tank of gas)**

Overall	
Yes, would influence my decision to buy an EV	82%
No, would not influence my decision to buy an EV	18

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes, this influenced my decision	77	85	82	84	73	87.5
No, this did not influence my decision	23	15	18	16	27	12.5

Q5b (If No, do not own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know what matters to you. Would any of the following factors influence your interest in buying an electric vehicle? - **Access to public electric vehicle chargers**

Overall	
Yes, would influence my decision to buy an EV	81%
No, would not influence my decision to buy an EV	19

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes, this influenced my decision	80	85	81	79	64	89
No, this did not influence my decision	20	15	19	21	36	11

Q5b (If No, do not own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know what matters to you. Would any of the following factors influence your interest in buying an electric vehicle? - **Cost of a personal electric vehicle charger**

Overall	
Yes, would influence my decision to buy an EV	80%
No, would not influence my decision to buy an EV	20

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes, this influenced my decision	83	78	76	90	74	83
No, this did not influence my decision	17	22	24	10	26	17

Q5b (If No, do not own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know what matters to you. Would any of the following factors influence your interest in buying an electric vehicle? - **Household utility costs**

Overall	
Yes, would influence my decision to buy an EV	67%
No, would not influence my decision to buy an EV	33

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes, this influenced my decision	68	65	61	85	70	65
No, this did not influence my decision	32	35	39	15	30	35

Q5b (If No, do not own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know what matters to you. Would any of the following factors influence your interest in buying an electric vehicle? - **Purchasing cost of electric vehicles**

Overall	
Yes, would influence my decision to buy an EV	80%
No, would not influence my decision to buy an EV	20

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes, this influenced my decision	80	85	80	79	68	85
No, this did not influence my decision	20	15	20	21	32	15

Q5b (If No, do not own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know what matters to you. Would any of the following factors influence your interest in buying an electric vehicle? - **Gasoline costs**

Overall	
Yes, would influence my decision to buy an EV	55%
No, would not influence my decision to buy an EV	45

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes, this influenced my decision	58	49	50	70	61	51
No, this did not influence my decision	42	51	50	30	39	49

Q5b (If No, do not own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know what matters to you. Would any of the following factors influence your interest in buying an electric vehicle? - **Cost of vehicle maintenance**

Overall	
Yes, would influence my decision to buy an EV	77%
No, would not influence my decision to buy an EV	23

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes, this influenced my decision	77	77.5	74	86	71	83
No, this did not influence my decision	23	22.5	26	14	29	17

Q5b (If No, do not own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know what matters to you. Would any of the following factors influence your interest in buying an electric vehicle? - **Frequency of vehicle maintenance**

Overall	
Yes, would influence my decision to buy an EV	70.5%
No, would not influence my decision to buy an EV	29.5

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes, this influenced my decision	68	72	67	80	61	79
No, this did not influence my decision	32	28	33	20	39	21

Q5b (If No, do not own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know what matters to you. Would any of the following factors influence your interest in buying an electric vehicle? - **Noise levels from vehicle**

Overall	
Yes, would influence my decision to buy an EV	34%
No, would not influence my decision to buy an EV	66

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes, this influenced my decision	45	27.5	33	37	35	28
No, this did not influence my decision	55	72.5	67	63	65	72

Q5b (If No, do not own an EV or hybrid): People have different factors that affect their car purchasing decisions. We would like to know what matters to you. Would any of the following factors influence your interest in buying an electric vehicle? - **Other (text)**

- Not in my budget to buy a new car
- We mostly bike but sometimes drive very old cars we can pay off in full at purchase, we'll never be able to afford an EV
- Could sell parts for the future

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Q6: Based on what you can remember, which of the following are financial incentives provided by the state of Maryland or the federal government for purchasing an electric vehicle? (choose all that apply)

Overall	
Federal tax credit	19
State tax credit	15
State rebate for EV charging equipment and installation	9
Discount on sticker price of vehicle	10
Free at-home EV charger installations	8
No-cost use of public chargers	9
No-cost parking for EVs	5
None/Unsure	24
Total	100

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	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Federal tax credit	15	23	20	15	20	21
State tax credit	16	15	15	13	12	16
State rebate for EV charging equipment and installation	7	10	10	6	7	10
Discount on sticker price of vehicle	12	9	11	9	10	10
Free at-home EV charger installations	10	6	6	13	12	6
No-cost use of public chargers	9	11	9	9	10	10
No-cost parking for EVs	5	5	5	6	7	4
None/Unsure	27	21	23	28	23	22
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100

Q7: Below is a list of some specific incentives provided by the government to encourage people to purchase electric vehicles. Would any of these make you more likely to purchase an electric vehicle? - **\$7,500 federal tax credit**

Overall	
Not more likely	18%
Somewhat more likely	38
Much more likely	44

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Not more likely	16	17	19	12	26	12
Somewhat more likely	37	41	36	46	41	40
Much more likely	47	42	45	42	33	48

Q7: Below is a list of some specific incentives provided by the government to encourage people to purchase electric vehicles. Would any of these make you more likely to purchase an electric vehicle? - **\$3,000 MD state tax credit**

Overall	
Not more likely	19%
Somewhat more likely	38
Much more likely	43

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Not more likely	20	17	21	14	31	12
Somewhat more likely	34	42	36	45	35	43
Much more likely	46	41	43	41	35	45

Q7: Below is a list of some specific incentives provided by the government to encourage people to purchase electric vehicles. Would any of these make you more likely to purchase an electric vehicle? - **50% rebate for Electric Vehicle equipment and installation**

Overall	
Not more likely	23%
Somewhat more likely	35
Much more likely	42

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Not more likely	20	25	24	18	38	16
Somewhat more likely	30	36	33	45	23	38
Much more likely	50	38	43	36	38	46

Q7: Below is a list of some specific incentives provided by the government to encourage people to purchase electric vehicles. Would any of these make you more likely to purchase an electric vehicle? - **Expansion of publicly available electric vehicle chargers**

Overall	
Not more likely	19%
Somewhat more likely	40
Much more likely	41

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Not more likely	17.5	20	20	14	35	12
Somewhat more likely	32.5	44	39	45	27	44
Much more likely	50	36	41	41	38	44

Q7: Below is a list of some specific incentives provided by the government to encourage people to purchase electric vehicles. Would any of these make you more likely to purchase an electric vehicle? - **Expansion of publicly available electric vehicle chargers**

Overall	
Not more likely	19%
Somewhat more likely	40
Much more likely	41

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Not more likely	17.5	20	20	14	35	12
Somewhat more likely	32.5	44	39	45	27	44
Much more likely	50	36	41	41	38	44

Q8: Which of the following household technologies or features are currently in your home?
(choose all that apply)

Overall	
Solar Panels	6
Electric Cooking Stove	10
Energy-efficient Appliances (such as refrigerator or clothes washer)	27
Energy-efficient (LED) lightbulbs	35
Water-permeable driveway or parking area	10
Rain barrel(s)	8
Other	3
None of the above	0
Total	100

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	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Solar Panels	8	5	5	10	11	4
Electric Cooking Stove	14	7	8	17	15	8
Energy-efficient Appliances (such as refrigerator or clothes washer)	29	27	28	23	22	29
Energy-efficient (LED) lightbulbs	34	37	36	31	30	37
Water-permeable driveway or parking area	6	11	10	13	11	10
Rain barrel(s)	5	9	9	4	9	8
Other	3	4	3	2	2	4
None of the above	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100

Text provided by respondents who selected "Other":

- Newer HVAC, many in Brentwood run their old systems 24/7
- Heat pump water heater
- Composting
- Backyard composting of food waste
- Heat pump
- Induction stove oven
- Low tech household and do not buy new items
- Windows

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Q9: If you were to help the Town of Brentwood decide how to spend money for environmental initiatives, which of the following environmental initiatives would be important to you? (select all that apply)

		Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Overall	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Improving air quality	16	16	16	15	17	17	15
Creating new job opportunities in the clean energy sector	16	18	14	14	23	19	14
Reducing home electricity bills	22	24	18	21	25	26	19
Preparing for and recovering from extreme weather events	21	19	23	22	17	18	23
Reducing the likelihood of household flooding	22	20	25	23	17	18	25
Other	3	3	5	4	0	2	4
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

Text provided by respondents who selected "Other":

- Reducing trash/litter on streets
- Brentwood has more pressing problems than energy, like a corrupt mayor and a highest degree rapist working for the town.
- Financial assistance with converting driveways to maximize drainage
- Affordable solar, esp for seniors
- Clean sewage to help with flooding
- Composting
- Reduce the town's ghg emissions
- Safe passages to reduce driving
- More Sidewalks and night lighting

Q10: Which of the following activities do you participate in regularly? (Select all that apply)

Overall	
Spending time outdoors	9
Biking or walking to work	4
Using public transit	6
Carpooling	2
Recycling	11
Using reusable shopping bags	11
Gardening	9
Composting food waste	5
Donating used items	10
Growing your own food	5
Shopping at a farmer's market	8
Using cleaning products	7
Talking about climate change	6
Upgrading your home or yard	6
Total	100

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	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Spending time outdoors	8	10	10	7	8	10
Biking or walking to work	4	4	4	4	4	5
Using public transit	6	6	6	7	5	7
Carpooling	3	2	2	3	1	2
Recycling	12	11	11	11	11	11
Using reusable shopping bags	12	11	11	13	12	10
Gardening	9	8	8	10	9	8
Composting food waste	4	6	5	4	4	5
Donating used items	10	10	10	9	10	10
Growing your own food	5	4	4	8	6	4

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Shopping at a farmer's market	8	8	8	9	8	8
Using cleaning products	8	6	7	4	6	7
Talking about climate chang	5	6	6	4	4	6
Upgrading your home or yard	6	7	6	7	7	7
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100

Q11: When you go to a park or other open space, how do you generally spend your time there?
(select all that apply)

Overall	
Socializing with friends or family	29
Exercising pets	18
Exercising (walking, biking, running)	34
Playing group sports (soccer, basketball, etc.)	8
Growing food/gardening	7
Other	4
Total	100

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Socializing with friends or family	29	27	28	35	33	26
Exercising pets	19	18	18	16	12	22
Exercising (walking, biking, running)	32	37	37	25	27	38

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Playing group sports (soccer, basketball, etc.)	9	7	7	9	4	8
Growing food/gardening	5	7	5	13	12	5
Other	5	4	5	2	12	1
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100

Q12: People have different reasons for appreciating public open spaces such as parks, fields, bike paths, etc. Why do you appreciate public open spaces? (choose all that apply)

Overall	
They make the town look nice (beautification)	33
They provide environmental benefits	20
They provide health benefits	38
They provide a space for social activity	9
Total	100

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
They make the town look nice (beautification)	33	30	31	40	43	27
They provide environmental benefits	21	20	20	19	16	24
They provide health benefits	36	42	41	30	35	40
They provide a space for social activity	10	8	8	11	5	8
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100

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		Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Overall	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
They make the town look nice (beautification)	33	33	30	31	40	43	27
They provide environmental benefits	20	21	20	20	19	16	24
They provide health benefits	38	36	42	41	30	35	40
They provide a space for social activity	9	10	8	8	11	5	8
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

Text provided by respondents who selected "Other":

- Open Soccer fields
- Free/no cost places for people to gather outside of home and work
- The benefits of public open spaces are available to everyone, regardless of income level
- Provide space for wildlife
- They build community
- Great place for prayer!
- Wildlife habitat
- Flat space to walk

Q13: When people plant trees, shrubs, flowers, and other garden features in their yard, some people prefer plants native to Maryland, whereas others prefer plants that are native to other areas of the world. Which would you say you tend to plant?

Overall	
Mostly/All native plants	31
A mix of native and non-native plants	42
Mostly/All non-native plants	4
I am not sure	15
I do not garden/plant	8

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Mostly/All native plants	21	40	35	19	14	39
A mix of native and non-native plants	49	40	45	33	32	45
Mostly/All non-native plants	2	2	2	7	11	1
I am not sure	19	11	11	30	29	9
I do not garden/plant	9	7	7	11	14	6

Q14: How much would you say you know about the benefits of gardening with plants native to Maryland?

Overall	
A lot	14%
A fair amount	40
Not very much	32
Nothing at all	14

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
A lot	14	16	12	22	18	14.5
A fair amount	32.5	44	43	30	29	43.5
Not very much	32.5	32	33	26	32	32
Nothing at all	21	9	12	22	21	10

Q15: Based on what you can remember, which of the following do you think may be true about gardening with native plants?

		Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Overall	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
They reduce the effects of stormwater	16	14	18	17	12	14	17
They are more beneficial for bees, birds and other wildlife	33	31	34	35	23	25	34
They are more likely to thrive given the soil and weather	28	26	30	30	27	23	31
They are less expensive	10	16	7	9	14	14	8

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They are less likely to smell bad	2	3	1	1	5	5	2
They are more colorful	7	5	6	5	12	7	6
None of the above	4	5	3	3	8	11	2
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

Q16: Would you be interested in learning more about plants that are native to Maryland and how to care for them?

Overall	
Yes	75%
No	25

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Yes	74	75	72	85	74	76
No	26	25	28	15	26	24

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Q17: Which events and services would you be interested in if the Town of Brentwood organized or provided them? (choose all that apply)

Overall	
Tree planting	12
Education on how to care for trees	11
Meeting with a consultant about landscaping your yard	7
Education about how to garden with native plants	13
Community garden care of public spaces	9
Litter/Trash clean-ups	14
Education sessions about safer cleaning supplies	7
Community food gardening	11
Other volunteer opportunities	6
Environment-related social events	8
None of the above	1
Total	100

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	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Tree planting	11	13	11	14	9	11
Education on how to care for trees	9	10	10	10	7	10
Meeting with a consultant about landscaping your yard	11	11	12	5	2	12
Education about how to garden with native plants	12	13	13	10	8	12
Community garden care of public spaces	9	8	8	13	9	8
Litter/Trash clean-ups	15	14	14	13	39	19
Education sessions about safer cleaning supplies	8	6	6	9	3	6
Community food gardening	11	9	10	13	9	9
Other volunteer opportunities	7	6	6	6	4	5
Environment-related social events	6	10	8	7	6	8

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None of the above						
	0	1	1	1	3	0
Total						
	100	100	100	100	100	100

Q18: How much would you say you know about climate change?

Overall	
Nothing at all	3%
A little	18
A moderate amount	51
A great deal	28

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Nothing at all	2	2	1	7	7	1
A little	28	9	12	37	36	9
A moderate amount	47	53	54	44	43	52
A great deal	23	37	33	11	14	38

Q19: In your view, climate change is a...

Overall	
Very serious problem	84%
Somewhat serious problem	12
Not very serious problem	3
Not serious problem at all	1

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Very serious problem	81	91	88	70	68	91
Somewhat serious problem	16	7	7	26	21	7
Not very serious problem	2	2	5	0	7	2
Not serious problem at all	0	0	0	4	4	0

Q20: How much do you think human behavior contributes to climate change?

Overall	
Not at all	2%
A little	4
A moderate amount	11
A great deal	83

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Not at all	0	0	1	4	7	0
A little	5	4	4	7	14	2
A moderate amount	29	12	11	11	11	10
A great deal	86	84	84	78	68	88

Q21: How much do you think your household actions and behavior contributes to climate change?

Overall	
Not at all	4%
A little	36
A moderate amount	41
A great deal	19

	Race		Ethnicity		Income	
	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Not at all	2	3.5	5	0	7	3
A little	41	35	35	40	43	33
A moderate amount	33	44	44	30	14	48
A great deal	24	17.5	16	30	36	16

Q22: Adopting energy-efficient cars and appliances and environmentally friendly practices can **reduce air pollution that increases asthma and other respiratory illnesses** for the residents of Brentwood. How much do you support the town in helping residents adopt energy-efficient technology and practices?

Overall	Public Health	Next Generation/Future Planet	Difference
Not at all	11%	2%	9%
A little	14	13	1
A moderate amount	24	20	4
A great deal	51	65	-14

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Not at all	9	7	10	15	20	6
A little	27	7	12	23	20	12
A moderate amount	18	26	21	31	13	23
A great deal	46	59	57	31	47	59

Q23: Adopting energy-efficient cars and appliances and environmentally friendly practices can **ensure that our children and grandchildren inherit a healthy planet** in the future. How much do you support the town helping residents adopt energy-efficient technology and practices?

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	Non-White	White	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Under 60k	60k and over
Not at all	0	3.33	2	0	8	0
A little	30	3.33	5	38.5	31	6
A moderate amount	10	23.33	19	23	23	18
A great deal	60	70	74	38.5	38	76