



2025 Citizen Satisfaction Study

April 2025

Survey conducted by:





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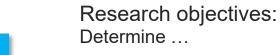


Background and Objectives



Objectives

The Town of Georgina was interested in conducting an unbiased and statistically significant Town-wide Citizen Survey, including the analysis and reporting of results in a way that is easy to understand and consume. The Town was also interested in setting a baseline to inform budgets and workplan priorities, and to measure progress moving forward.

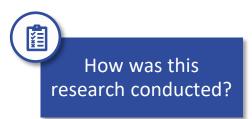


- 1. How the Town is performing in its ability to provide and maintain strong citizen satisfaction with the provision of municipal services, programs, and projects
- 2. How residents' needs have changed and evolved and what services are of upmost priority to our community
- 3. What services will benefit from being reimagined and what service offerings and/or levels should be modified, adapted, or eliminated
- 4. How residents like to receive services and preferred means of service delivery
- 5. How residents like to receive information

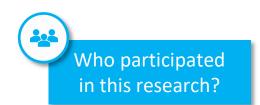
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Methodology

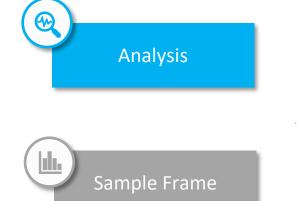


- The survey was pre-tested with 14 residents from Nov. 12 to Nov. 19, 2024 by telephone recruiting individuals to complete an online survey.
- The full survey launch was delayed until Feb. 24 to Mar. 31, 2025 due to the Nov/Dec Canada Post strike.
- Postcard invitations were sent to all residences in Georgina via Canada Post.
 - Each postcard contained a QR code and a phone number to text to receive a link to an online survey
 - The survey took an average of 15.1 minutes to complete
 - Of the 20,000 postcards mailed out, 836 residents requested a link to the survey, and 750 completed the survey. This represents a higher than average response rate of 3.75% response rate (the typical postcard response rate is 2.7%).
 - Postcard invitations are a cost-effective method for obtaining statistically valid results, as all residents are invited to participate in the study, and can only complete the survey once
- Additionally, 50 residents contacted the Town to request a unique link, or an alternative survey format (phone/paper).
- In total, 814 individuals completed the survey.
- To qualify, respondents were required to be:
 - 1. 18 years of age or older; and
 - 2. Resident or own a business in Georgina





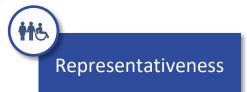
Interpreting the Results



- Data for which the base of respondents is less than 30 are generally not reported.
- Data for which the base of respondents is less than 50 are noted as "small base".
- To simplify reporting, chart labels for values under 3% may not be shown.
- Values shown may not sum to the shown total, sub-total, or nets due to rounding.
- Margin of error on all completes is:
 - ±3.4%, 19 times out of 20.
 - Margin of error is larger among subgroups of the total.
- Data was weighted to population data based on age, gender, and community.



Weighting



Weighting was used to better represent the population and reduce non-response bias.

- Results are weighted to match age & gender population counts from the 2021 Canadian Census¹. The results are also weighted to match the community population counts from the 2021 Statistics Canada results as reported in the Environics Analytics 2022 study
- Although the results are weighted, sample sizes for each question represent the number of actual respondents (i.e., unweighted n).

•	The tables below sho	w the profile of s	survey respondents versus	that of the population:
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Age group	Survey	Population ¹
18 to 34	18%	25%
35 to 54	41%	33%
55+	41%	42%
Gender	Survey	Population ¹
Female	62%	50%

Community	Survey	Population
Keswick	58%	56%
Sutton and Jackson's Point	21%	16%
All other communities	21%	29%

¹Statistics Canada. 2023. (table). Census Profile. 2021 Census of Population. Statistics Canada Catalogue no. 98-316-X2021001. Ottawa. Released November 15, 2023.



Note about age of participants

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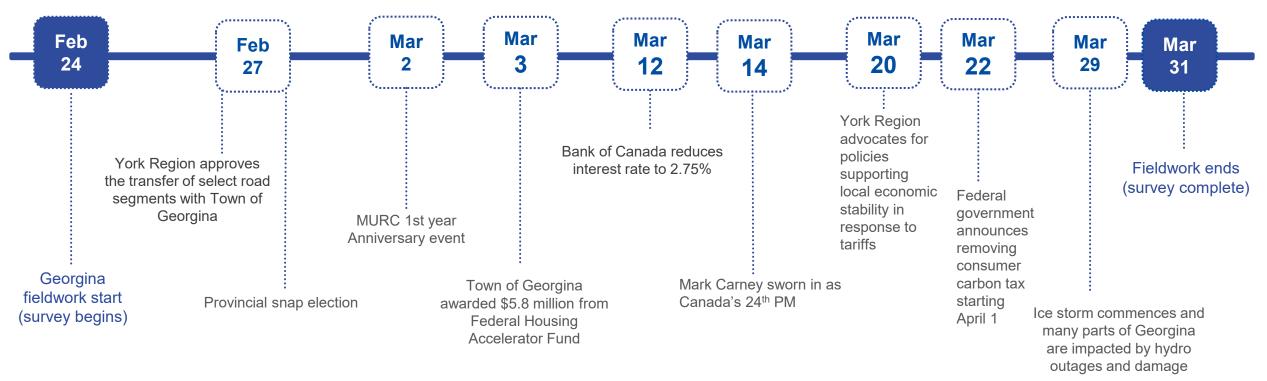
- Although citizens were required to send a text message or scan a QR code to access the survey, this did not seem to deter older adults. In fact, 20% of participants were aged 65 or older closely matching their representation in the general population.
- By contrast, very few citizens aged 18 to 24 took part in the survey. This is not uncommon in communities where few households consist solely of people in this age group. In communities with post-secondary institutions, where such households are more common, survey participation among 18 to 24 year olds tends to be higher when postcard invitations are used.

Age group	Survey	Population ¹
18 to 24	1%	9%
25 to 34	17%	17%
35 to 44	23%	16%
45 to 54	18%	17%
55 to 64	21%	21%
65 and older	20%	21%

¹Statistics Canada. 2023. (table). Census Profile. 2021 Census of Population. Statistics Canada Catalogue no. 98-316-X2021001. Ottawa. Released November 15, 2023.



- Local, provincial, national, and international events can impact the attitudes and sentiments of residents when responding to community opinion questionnaires.
- Below is a timeline of key (non-exhaustive) events that took place between the surveying period of February 24 to March 31, 2025.



Economic Indicators:

- Geopolitical shift with new US Administration (Economy, Trade wars)
- Average price for a home in York Region : \$1.2 million (March 2025) Source: Toronto Regional Real Estate Board (note: resale homes only)
- Consumer price index (CPI) March 2025: 2.3%, Source: Statistics Canada
- Average price of gas/litre in GTA, March 2025: \$1.57 priorr to tax levy being lifted Unemployment Rate Toronto, Ontario, March 2025: 8.7%, Source: <u>Statistics Canada</u>

Other Notable Events:

Jan/Feb – Automatic Speed Enforcement communications launched in preparation of active cameras (April 10) **Feb** – week prior to survey launch, TOG received 27 inches of snow fall. Weather event was lifted Feb 24 and it took several weeks to complete clean up

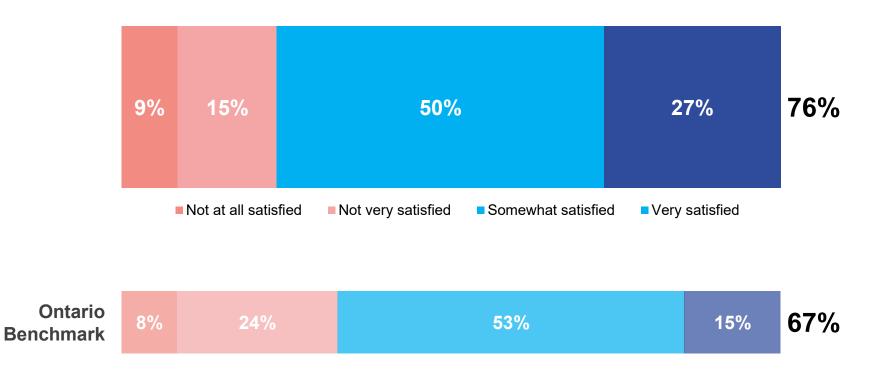
March 20 - Civic Centre and Animal shelter experience phone outages

Ongoing - new Civic Centre build, occupancy 2026

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



Overall Satisfaction with Level and Quality of Services





Key Drivers of Satisfaction with Level & Quality of Services

Monitor or Maintain Performance:

(% very/somewhat satisfied or agreed)

- S 92% Recycling collection
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- a6% Waste collection
 - 85% Welcoming, inclusive community
- 80% Vibrant, healthy place to live
- 🍸 79% Streetlighting
- 76% Snow removal on Town roads
- 76% Committed to protecting environment

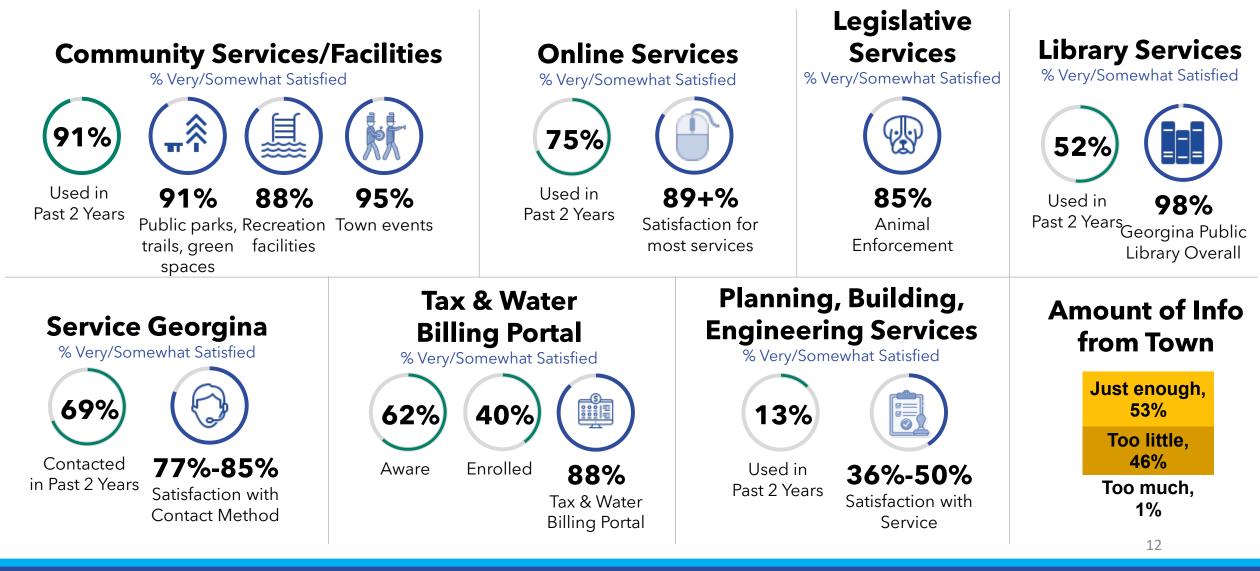
Improve Performance:

(% very/somewhat satisfied or agreed)

- 72% Street safety infrastructure
 70% Growing local economy
- 67% Major infrastructure improvement projects
- 62% Snow removal on sidewalks/pathways
- 58% Opportunities to have meaningful input into decision-making
- 56% Downtowns promote engagement & are welcoming
- 49% Effective in managing growth/development



Highlights





Residents are generally satisfied with services provided by the Town

At least 80% of residents are satisfied with recycling and waste collection, water pressure, taste, and odour, and animal enforcement service.

Users of the Town's community services and facilities are very satisfied. Most residents have used park services, and half have attended a Town event in the past two years.

The Georgina Public Library is doing an excellent job servicing the needs of residents, with half of residents using these services in the past two years. Nearly all library services users are satisfied with the library overall, the library facilities, and the library's collection.

Although few residents have used any of the Planning, Building or Engineering Services recently, half to two-thirds of users of these services are dissatisfied.



Service Georgina use is high, and residents are satisfied

69% of residents have interacted with Service Georgina in the past two years, primarily by phone and email. Residents are very satisfied with their interactions, particularly those that happen in person at the Civic Centre. Although only 11% mention contacting Service Georgina as one of their most preferred methods of staying informed, Service Georgina is meeting resident's needs for service and customer support.

Online service tools are working well, but are not fully adopted

75% of residents have used an online service in the past two years (primarily for resident parking passes and recreation program registration/memberships). Satisfaction is very high (89%+) for most online services.

62% of residents are aware of the tax and water billing portal, but only 40% have enrolled. While satisfaction is high among those who are enrolled (88%), an awareness gap exists, particularly among residents who live outside of Keswick, Sutton, and Jackson's Point or who are 55+. Online banking is the most preferred method of payment for tax and water bills, and is the most preferred method across all segments of residents.



Residents want information from the Town

While 53% of residents feel the Town provides just enough information, 46% feel too little information is provided suggesting there is an appetite for increased communication to residents. Residents generally prefer passive ways of receiving information including the official Town social media accounts, the monthly electronic newsletter, Georgina Matters newsletter, the corporate website, and local media coverage. Few residents want to have to initiate contact by attending council meetings, contacting council/staff, or attending public meetings. Preferred contact methods do differ by demographic characteristics, so the nature of the information being shared should influence the medium selected.

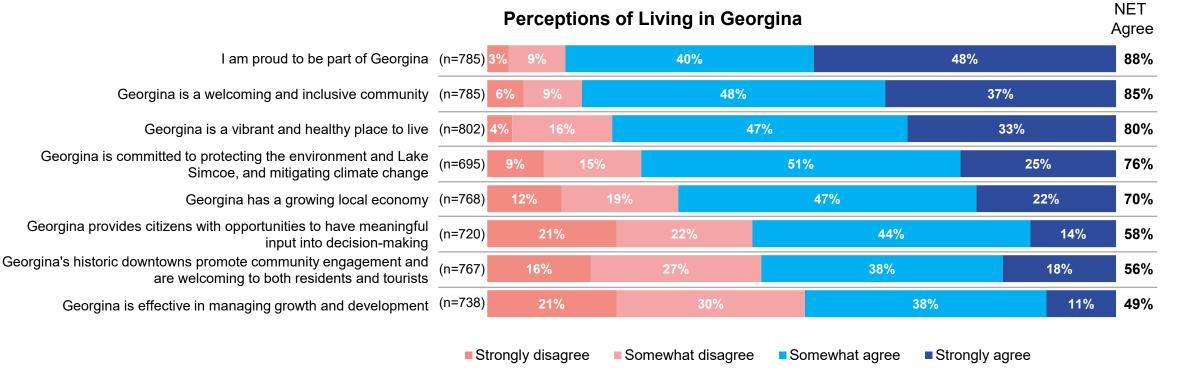
DETAILED RESULTS

OVERALL SATISFACTION



There is high satisfaction with living in Georgina; the majority of residents are proud to live in Georgina, find the community welcoming, and view it as vibrant and healthy place to live

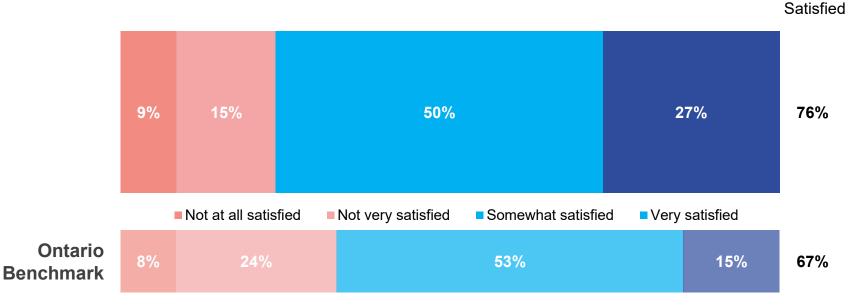
• Residents are less satisfied with management of growth and development, the historic downtowns, and opportunities to be involved in decision-making.





Overall satisfaction with service levels and quality is strong; one-quarter of residents are very satisfied, and an additional half are somewhat satisfied

Overall Satisfaction with Level and Quality of Services



Q2: How satisfied are you with the overall level and quality of services provided by the Town of Georgina?

Base: All residents, excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer" (n=805)

Results for Ontario collected by Advanis in January and February 2025 from a random sample of Ontario residents. Data was weighted to region, gender, age, and education statistics from Statistics Canada. Base: (n=2055)

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Differences by Segment Regarding Overall Quality of Services and Perceptions of Living in Georgina

- Residents from Keswick tend to have more positive views of the local economy, while residents from Sutton and Jackson's Point tend to view the historic downtowns more favorably than residents living in other communities.
- While residents younger than 35 tend to have higher levels of agreement with living perceptions, they are generally • less satisfied with the overall quality of services than their older counterparts.

Residents who have lived in Georgina for less than 10 years tend to have higher levels of agreement with living perceptions than those with longer residencies.

	Gender		Age Group			(Communit	Residency		
	Female	Male	18-34	35-54	55+	Keswick	Sutton and Jackson's Point	All others	10+ years	< 10 years
NET AGREE* (% strongly/somewhat agree)	(n=426-494) (n=259-298)	(n=121-145) ((n=280-329)	(n=294-328)	(n=398-470)	(n=146-166)	(n=151-166)	(n=440-501)	(n=252-298)
I am proud to be part of Georgina	90%	86%	88%	86%	88%	87%	88%	89%	86%	91%
Welcoming & inclusive community	86%	84%	90%	81%	85%	85%	81%	87%	81%	91%
Vibrant and healthy place to live	81%	79%	79%	81%	80%	81%	82%	77%	76%	86%
Protects Lake Simcoe, fights climate change	75%	77%	82%	75%	72%	75%	76%	76%	71%	83%
Has a growing local economy	72%	68%	76%	68%	67%	75%	66%	62%	65%	78%
Opportunity to shape decisions	64%	52%	65%	59%	53%	58%	63%	55%	52%	68%
Historic downtowns	61%	53%	58%	55%	57%	51%	69%	60%	53%	63%
Effective growth/development mgt	53%	46%	50%	49%	50%	52%	49%	45%	45%	58%
	(n=496)	(n=298)	(n=146)	(n=329)	(n=330)	(n=474)	(n=166)	(n=165)	(n=503)	(n=299)
Overall quality of services (% very/somewhat satisfied)	81%	72%	69%	78%	79%	78%	74%	74%	75%	80%

*Full statement wording can be found on the overall results slide.



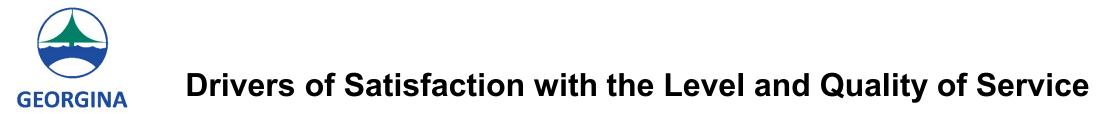
Key Driver Analysis

- Key Driver Analysis is a statistical modelling technique for identifying attributes that have the greatest potential to create a desired outcome (increased satisfaction with the overall level and quality of services provided).
- To help determine which drivers should be targeted for improvement, it is useful to look at both the impact a driver can have on an overall rating, as well as the current performance of that driver.

	Average drive	rimportance	
High			
Performance ¹ NET Satisfied or Agree	The "Monitor" quadrant includes drivers that are performing better than average but have lower impact.	Drivers in the "Maintain" quadrant are performing better than average and have a high impact on the overall rating.	Average
Perfor NET Satisfi	The " Secondary Improve " quadrant includes drivers that have lower than average values in both performance and impact.	The "Primary Improve " quadrant includes drivers that have below average performance but a high impact on the overall rating.	performance
Low			
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¹Performance score is associated with the proportion of residents who selected [rating], when rating the respective statements.

Q2: How satisfied are you with the overall level and quality of services provided by the Town of Georgina? Base: All residents, excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer" (n=805)



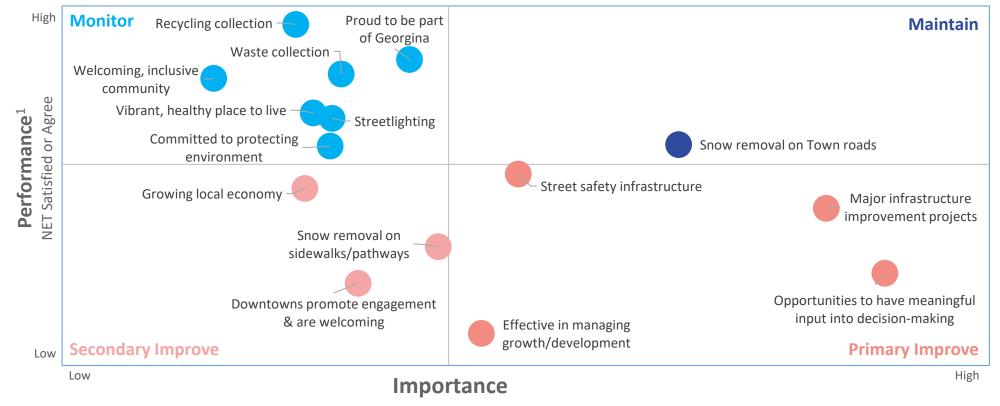
• This chart displays the relative importance of the drivers of satisfaction (not the level of satisfaction).

Provides citizens with opportunities to have meaningful input into decision-making	14%	Waste collection(schedule frequency, number of bags allowed, etc.)5%
Major infrastructure improvement projects (delivery, frequency, and management of road reconstruction, water main replacement, dam reconstruction, etc.)	13%	Streetlighting (location, spacing, timing, brightness etc.) 5%
Snow removal on Town roads (quality and frequency)	11%	Georgina is committed to protecting the environment and Lake Simcoe, and mitigating climate change
Street safety infrastructure (quality of, and improvements to crosswalks, school zones, speed bumps, signage, etc.)	8%	Georgina is a vibrant and healthy place to live 4%
Georgina is effective in managing growth and development	7%	Georgina has a growing local economy 4%
Snow removal on sidewalks and pathways (quality and frequency)	6%	Recycling collection 4% (schedule frequency, item/material eligibility, etc.) 4%
I am proud to be part of Georgina	6%	Georgina is a welcoming and inclusive community 3%
Georgina's historic downtowns promote community engagement and are welcoming to both residents and tourists	5%	Secondary drivers Less important drivers

Q2: How satisfied are you with the overall level and quality of services provided by the Town of Georgina? Base: All residents, excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer" (n=805)



• Engaging downtowns, sidewalk snow removal, and local economy growth are areas of secondary importance for improvement efforts.



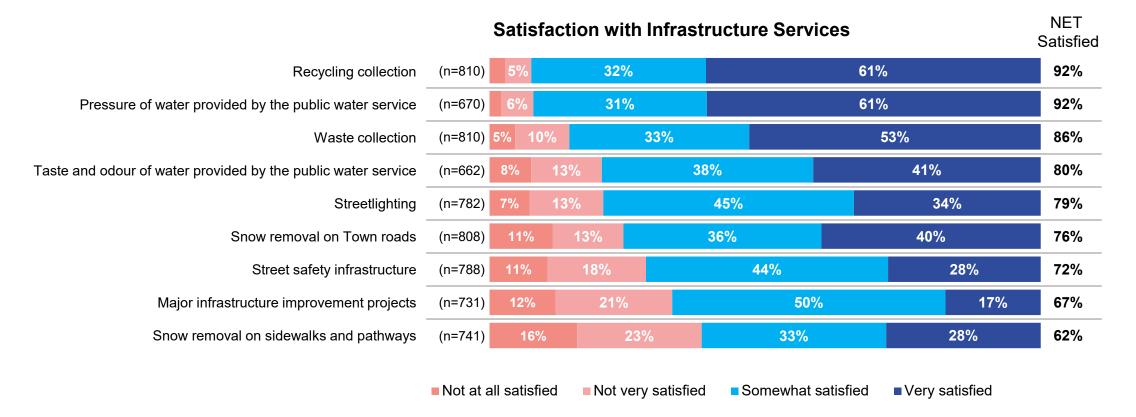
¹Performance score is associated with the proportion of residents who selected Satisfied / Agree, when rating the respective statements.

Q2: How satisfied are you with the overall level and quality of services provided by the Town of Georgina? Base: All residents, excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer" (n=805)

SATISFACTION WITH SERVICE COMPONENTS



Resident satisfaction is very high with recycling collection, water pressure, and waste collection, while fewer residents are satisfied with major infrastructure projects and sidewalks/pathways snow removal



Q4a: How satisfied are you with each of the following services related to infrastructure in Georgina? Base: All residents, excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer"



The most commonly mentioned infrastructure improvement suggestions include road maintenance, snow maintenance, and water quality

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Road maintenance					36%
Snow maintenance				29	%
Water quality			22	2%	
Sidewalk improvements			17%	D	
Improvement in street lighting			15%		
Speed control		10	%		
Taxes and property taxes		7%			
Waste management		6%			
Employment and local business opportunities	3	%			
Parking enforcement	3	%			
Parks and green space maintenance	2%	6			
Better signage	2%	6			
Bridge construction	2%	6			
Police enforcement	1%	6			
Other comments		9%)		

Improvement Suggestions for Infrastructure

Q5a: You indicated that you were not at all satisfied with at least one item related to infrastructure in Georgina. What improvements would you like to see made? [open-ended response that has been categorized] Base: Residents who were not satisfied with at least one item related to infrastructure, excluding "I have no improvement suggestions" (n=416)



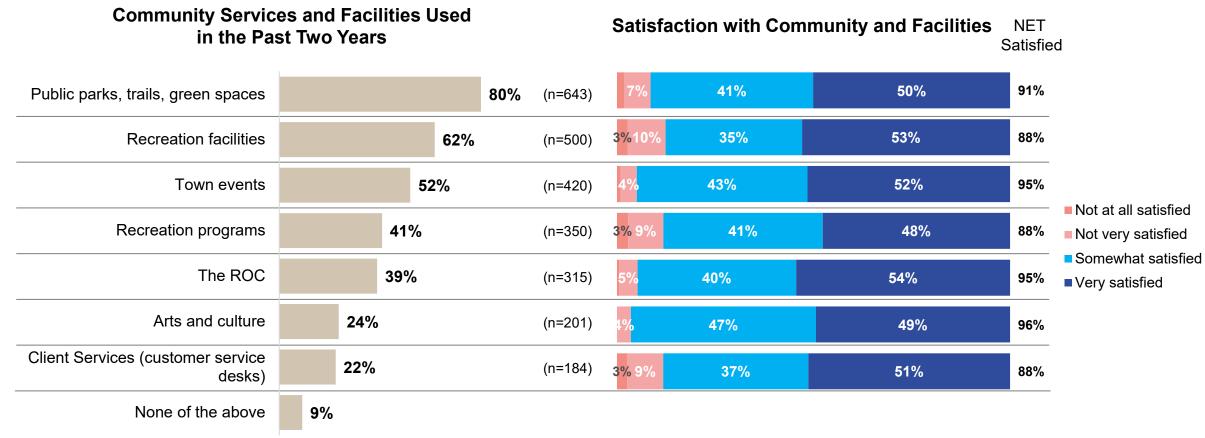
Differences by Segment Regarding Infrastructure Services Satisfaction

- Residents in Keswick, Sutton, and Jackson's Point tend to be more satisfied with streetlighting than residents living in other communities.
- Satisfaction with street safety infrastructure varies with satisfaction tending to be higher among females, residents of Sutton and Jackson's Point, and residents who have lived in Georgina for less than 10 years.
- Residents that have lived in Georgina for 10 or more years tend to have greater satisfaction with the water taste/odour.

	Gender		ļ	Age Group			Community			Residency		
	Female	Male	18-34	35-54	55+	Keswick	Sutton and Jackson's Point	All others	10+ years	< 10 years		
NET SATISFIED (% very/somewhat satisfied)	(n=398-498)	(n=257-301)	(n=125-148)	(n=284-331)) (n=253-332)	(n=426-475)	(n=132-167)	(n=77-169)	(n=400-508)	(n=260-300)		
Recycling collection	94%	91%	89%	92%	95%	93%	93%	92%	94%	89%		
Pressure of water provided by public water service	94%	91%	92%	90%	94%	92%	86%	97%	92%	92%		
Waste collection	87%	84%	85%	83%	88%	83%	90%	88%	87%	83%		
Taste and odour of water provided by public water service	80%	79%	77%	79%	82%	78%	80%	85%	81%	77%		
Streetlighting	81%	79%	83%	78%	78%	82%	83%	73%	78%	82%		
Snow removal on Town roads	78%	74%	77%	71%	79%	74%	77%	78%	74%	79%		
Street safety infrastructure	77%	66%	75%	71%	70%	72%	83%	65%	68%	78%		
Major infrastructure improvement projects	68%	66%	68%	64%	68%	71%	64%	60%	62%	75%		
Snow removal on sidewalks and pathways	66%	58%	59%	57%	67%	58%	69%	66%	59%	65%		



At least 9-in-10 residents have used one of Georgina's community services/facilities in the past two years; usage varies widely across services/facilities, but satisfaction is very strong among users



Q3b: Which of the following community services/facilities provided by the Town of Georgina have you used in the past two years? Base: All residents, excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer" (n=802)

Q4b: Please rate your satisfaction with each of the following community services/facilities provided by the Town of Georgina.

Base: Residents who have used the service and/or facility, excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer"



Differences by Segment Regarding Usage of Community Services and Facilities

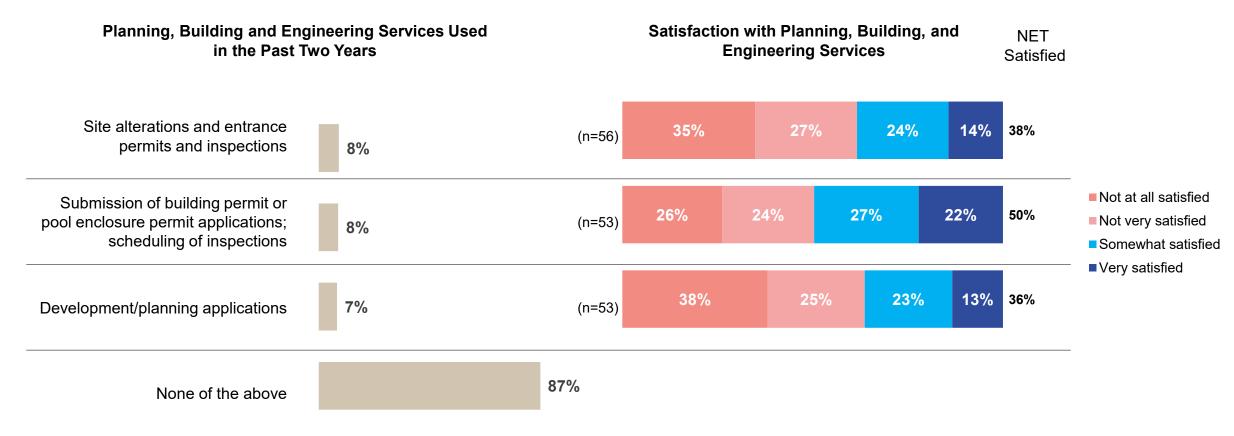
- Usage of most community services and facilities tends to be lower among those who are 55+ with the exception of arts and culture where usage tends to be higher.
- Women have a greater tendency to use recreational facilities, recreational programs, and arts and culture compared to men.
- Residents living in Sutton and Jackson's Point are more likely to participate in Town events, arts and culture, and the client services compared to those living in other communities.

	Ger	nder	er Age Group		Community			Residency		
	Female	Male	18-34	35-54	55+	Keswick	Sutton and Jackson's Point	All others	10+ years	< 10 years
Usage (% last 2 years)	(n=495)	(n=295)	(n=148)	(n=327)	(n=327)	(n=469)	(n=167)	(n=166)	(n=502)	(n=297)
Public parks, trails, and green spaces	81%	79%	84%	85%	74%	81%	79%	78%	76%	87%
Recreation facilities	67%	56%	60%	71%	55%	59%	63%	65%	63%	59%
Town events	55%	48%	54%	57%	46%	49%	60%	53%	49%	56%
Recreation programs	51%	30%	40%	52%	32%	41%	42%	40%	40%	42%
The ROC	38%	39%	46%	52%	24%	41%	40%	33%	38%	41%
Arts and culture	29%	18%	16%	20%	31%	21%	33%	24%	29%	15%
Client Services (customer service desks)	24%	20%	24%	26%	19%	21%	28%	23%	21%	24%

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Few residents have used any Planning, Building, or Engineering services; among those who have, 36% to 50% are satisfied with the experience



Q3c: Which of the following Planning, Building and Engineering services provided by the Town of Georgina have you used in the past two years?

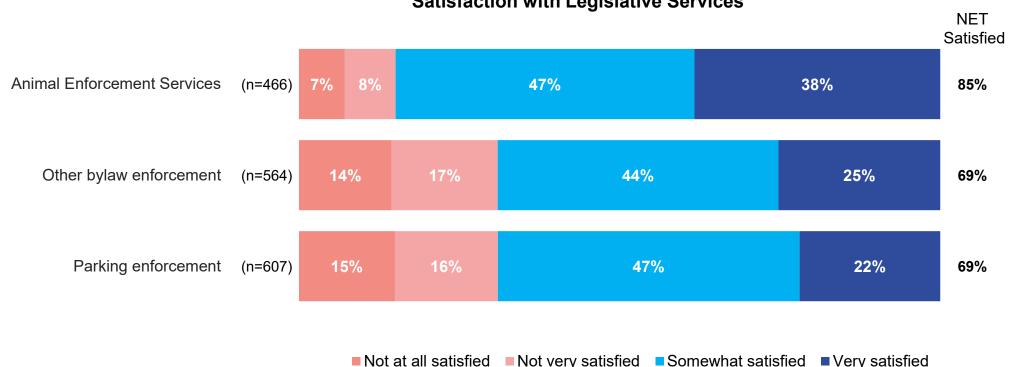
Base: All residents, excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer" (n=764)

Q4c: Please rate your satisfaction with each of the following Planning, Building and Engineering services provided by the Town of Georgina.

Base: Residents who have used Planning, Building and Engineering services, excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer"



Satisfaction with animal enforcement services is strong (85%), while 69% of residents are satisfied with parking and other bylaw enforcement



Satisfaction with Legislative Services

Q4d: Please rate your satisfaction with each of the following legislative services provided by the Town of Georgina. Base: All residents, excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer"



Differences by Segment Regarding Satisfaction with Legislative Services

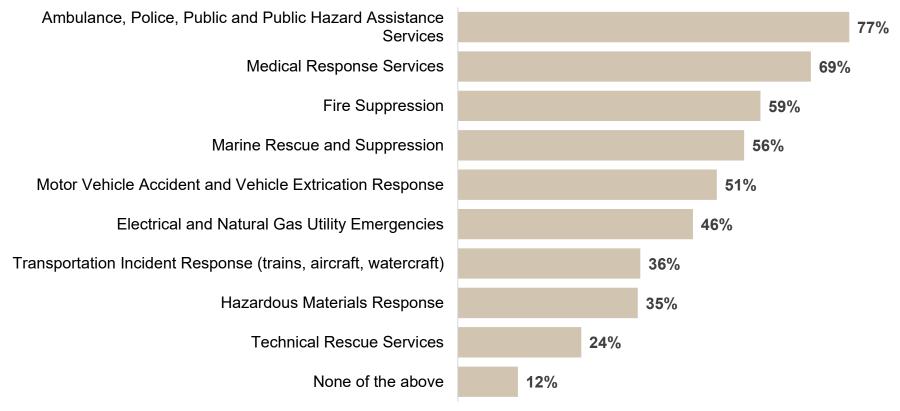
- Women tend to be more satisfied with legislative services than men.
- Residents aged 18 to 34 tend to be more satisfied with parking enforcement and other bylaw services compared to their older counterparts.
- Satisfaction levels with legislative services across other segments are generally consistent. However, residents
 living in Georgina for less than 10 years tend to have higher satisfaction with parking and other bylaw enforcement
 than those living here for 10 years or more.

	Gender		Age Group			Community			Residency	
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NET SATISFIED (% very/somewhat satisfied)	(n=286-374)	(n=175-226)	(n=77-114)	(n=184-250)	(n=205-243)	(n=267-373)	(n=97-122)	(n=102-114)	(n=318-383)	(n=146-223)
Animal Enforcement Services	90%	79%	88%	83%	85%	82%	92%	87%	84%	87%
Other bylaw enforcement	76%	63%	77%	69%	64%	68%	74%	69%	65%	75%
Parking enforcement	74%	63%	77%	64%	67%	67%	67%	74%	63%	79%



Awareness of the services provided by Fire & Rescue Services varies by service, with fewer residents being aware of transportation incident and hazardous materials response, or technical rescue services

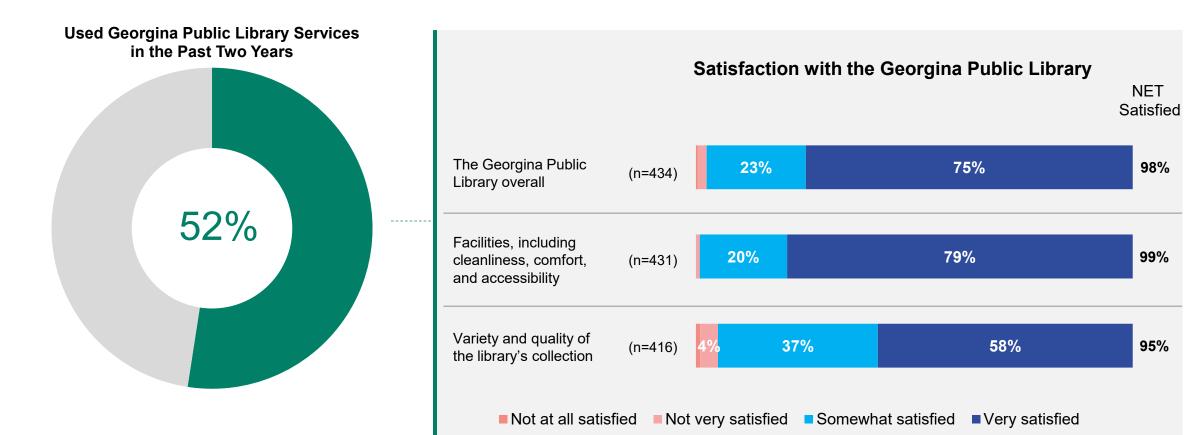
Awareness of Services Provided by Georgina Fire & Rescue Services



Q6e: Which of the following services provided by Georgina Fire & Rescue Services are you aware of? Base: All residents, excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer" (n= 746)



Half of residents have used Georgina Public Library services in the past 2 years; satisfaction among users is nearly universal and 3-in-4 users are very satisfied overall and with the facilities



Q3i: Have you used any of the services provided by Georgina Public Library in the past 2 years?

Base: All residents, excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer" (n=793)

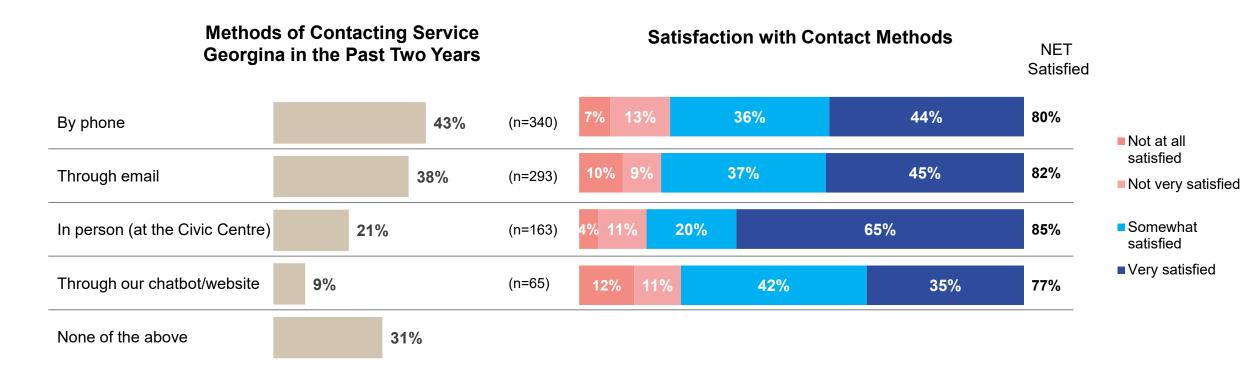
Q4i: How satisfied are you with the following aspects of the Georgina Public Library?

Base: Residents who have used Georgina public library services, excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer"

SERVICE GEORGINA



Phone and email are the most commonly used methods of contacting Service Georgina; residents are satisfied across all contact methods, with 2-in-3 visiting in person being very satisfied with the experience



Q3f: Service Georgina is the centralized service team which acts as the first point of contact for Town services and customer support. Over the past two years, have you reached out to this team of customer service agents by any of the following means?

Base: All residents, excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer" (n=769)

Q4f: Please rate your satisfaction with each of the following Service Georgina contact methods.

Base: Residents who have contacted service Georgina, excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer"

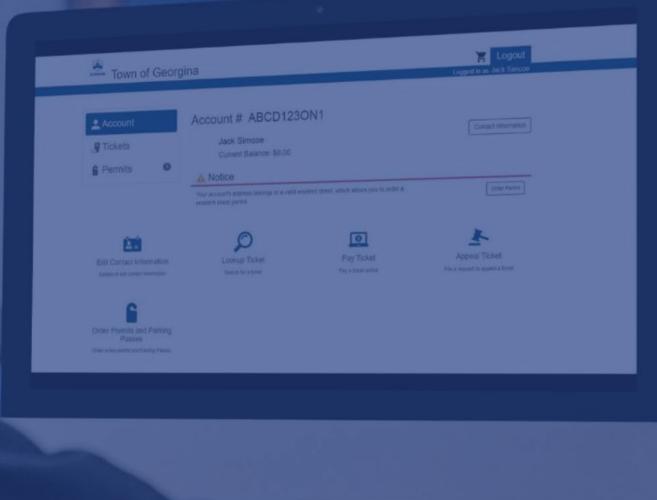


Differences by Segment Regarding Contact with Service Georgina

- Methods used to contact Service Georgina differs by age with those who are 18 to 34 being less likely to call, while those who are 55+ are less likely to send an email.
- Phone and in person methods tend to be more common among residents from Sutton and Jackon's Point.
- Residents living in Georgina for 10 years or more tend to use the phone more often than other residents to contact Service Georgina.

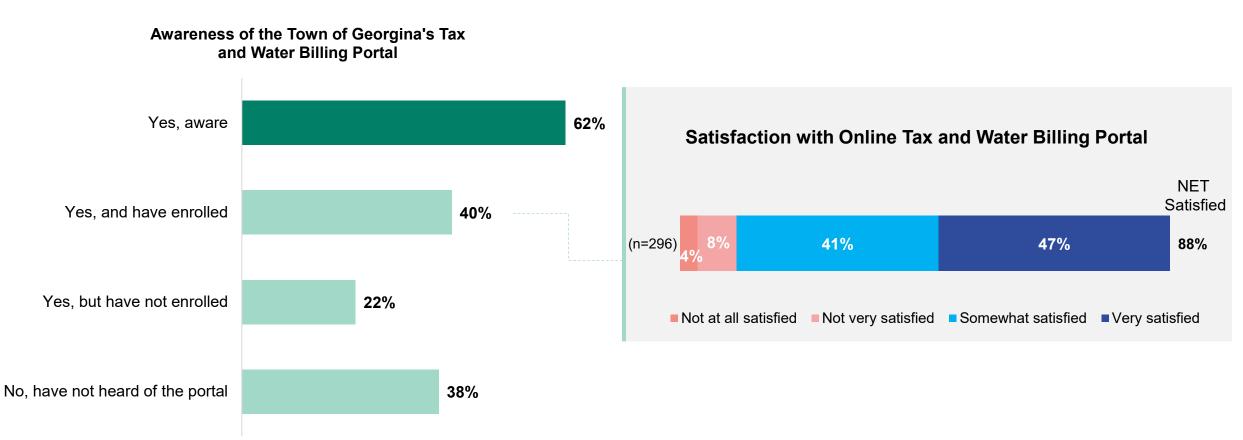
	Ger	Gender Age Group)	Community			Residency		
	Female	Male	18-34	35-54	55+	Keswick	Sutton and Jackson's Point	All others	10+ years	< 10 years
Method of Contacting Service Georgina in Past 2 Years	(n=481)	(n=278)	(n=138)	(n=317)	(n=314)	(n=447)	(n=161)	(n=161)	(n=483)	(n=283)
By phone	45%	41%	30%	44%	49%	41%	48%	44%	47%	37%
Through email	39%	37%	41%	44%	31%	36%	40%	42%	37%	40%
In person	22%	21%	21%	23%	20%	19%	27%	23%	20%	23%
Through our chatbot/website (georgina.ca)	9%	9%	9%	7%	10%	9%	10%	8%	8%	11%

ONLINE SERVICES





6-in-10 residents are aware of Georgina's tax and water billing portal, and 9-in-10 enrolled report being satisfied with the service



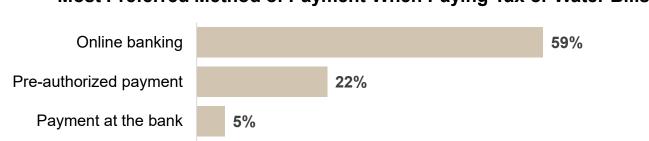
Q14: The Town of Georgina has a tax and water billing portal that residents can use to access their tax and water bills, view transactions, and view account balances. Are you aware of the tax and water billing portal? Base: All residents, excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer" (n=741)

Q15: Please rate your satisfaction with the online tax and water billing portal provided by the Town of Georgina.

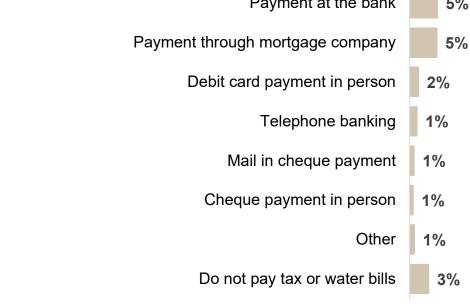
Base: Residents who are enrolled in the tax and water billing portal, excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer"



Online banking is the most preferred method for paying tax or water bills, with pre-authorized payment trailing behind; few prefer any other payment options



Most Preferred Method of Payment When Paying Tax or Water Bills



Q16: Please select your most preferred method of payment when paying your tax or water bills. Base: All residents, excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer" (n=778)



Differences by Segment Regarding Awareness and Satisfaction with Tax and Water Billing Portal and Preferred Method of Payment

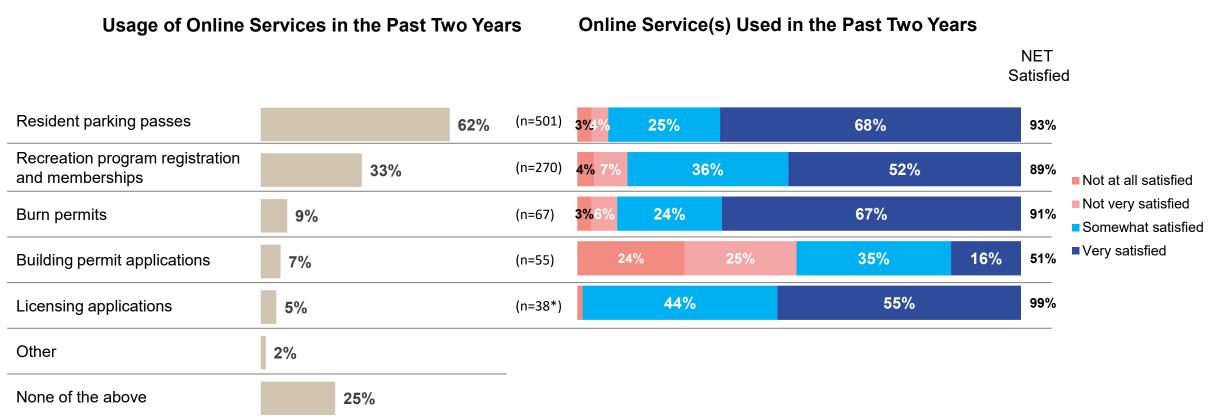
- Enrollment in the Tax and Water Billing Portal is most common among residents who are 18 to 34, reside in Keswick, Sutton, or Jackson's Point, and who have lived in Georgina for less than 10 years.
- All segments of users are satisfied with the portal.
- Although online banking is the most preferred method of payment for all segments or residents, it is particularly preferred among those who are 35 to 54 or have lived in Georgina for less than 10 years.

	Gender		Age Group		Community			Residency		
	Female	Male	18-34	35-54	55+	Keswick	Sutton and Jackson's Point	All others	10+ years	< 10 years
	(n=454)	(n=277)	(n=132)	(n=307)	(n=302)	(n=436)	(n=154)	(n=151)	(n=457)	(n=281)
Aware and have enrolled in Tax and Water Billing Portal	42%	39%	51%	41%	33%	45%	44%	30%	32%	54%
NET Satisfied (% very/somewhat satisfied)	(n=191)	(n=103)	(n=66)	(n=128)	(n=102)	(n=190)	(n=62)	(n=44)	(n=143)	(n=153)
Overall satisfaction with Tax and Water Billing Portal	91%	85%	86%	87%	92%	90%	88%	86%	82%	95%
Preferred method of payment for tax or water bills	(n=484)	(n=286)	(n=140)	(n=322)	(n=316)	(n=458)	(n=160)	(n=160)	(n=483)	(n=293)
Online banking	59%	60%	56%	65%	56%	61%	52%	59%	57%	64%
Pre-authorized payment	24%	21%	29%	18%	22%	22%	26%	22%	22%	23%



Resident parking passes are the most commonly used online service, followed by recreation program registration/ memberships; with both receiving high satisfaction ratings from users

• Only half of building permit application users are satisfied.



*Caution: Small base (n<50).

Q3h: Which of Georgina's online service(s) have you used in the past two years? Base: All residents, excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer" (n=793)

Q4h: How satisfied are you with the following online services provided by the Town of Georgina? Base: Residents who have used online service(s), excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer"



Differences by Segment Regarding Usage and Satisfaction with Online Services

 Women tend to have higher use of online recreation program registration and memberships compared to men, while online use of resident parking passes and recreation program registration and memberships tends to be lower among those who are 55+.

	Gender		Age Group		Community			Residency		
	Female	Male	18-34	35-54	55+	Keswick	Sutton and Jackson's Point	All others	10+ years	< 10 years
Usage %	(n=491)	(n=291)	(n=140)	(n=329)	(n=324)	(n=465)	(n=162)	(n=166)	(n=499)	(n=291)
Resident parking passes	65%	59%	64%	69%	56%	62%	67%	61%	59%	66%
Recreation program registration and memberships	41%	26%	36%	43%	24%	33%	29%	36%	32%	36%
Burn permits	9%	8%	1%	9%	13%	5%	10%	15%	12%	3%
Building permit applications	7%	6%	6%	7%	6%	4%	15%	8%	6%	8%
Licensing applications	5%	5%	7%	6%	4%	6%	5%	5%	5%	6%
NET Satisfied (% very/somewhat satisfied)	(n=197-321)	(n=71-173)	(n=53-94)	(n=142-229)	(n=75-178)	(n=166-295)	(n=49-108)	(n=55-98)	(n=162-301)	(n=108-197)
Resident parking passes	94%	93%	94%	93%	93%	91%	95%	92%	93%	94%
Recreation program registration and memberships	89%	89%	95%	83%	91%	93%	80%*	88%	86%	86%

*Caution: Small base (n<50)

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Opinions are mixed as to whether residents perceive they receive just enough or too little information from the Town. Residents prefer a mix of digital platforms, with official Town social media accounts, the monthly electronic newsletter, and Georgina Matters newsletter being the most preferred methods to stay informed

Official Town social media accounts (Facebook, Instagram, X) 43% Monthly electronic newsletter (eNews) 38% Georgina Matters newsletter 37% Amount of Information Received from the Corporate website (georgina.ca) 31% Town of Georgina Local media coverage (vorkregion.com, Georgina Post) 30% 20% Town electronic signs 46% 53% Ads (print and online) 16% Reaching out to Service Georgina by phone or email (info@georgina.ca) 11% 11% Broadcast media Too little Just enough Too much Attending public meetings, open houses, information sessions, etc. 7% Contacting Council or staff 4% Attending council meetings 2% I don't want/care to be informed / I don't know 4%

Top Three Preferred Methods of Staying Informed

Q9: In your opinion, is the amount of information you receive from the Town of Georgina ...

Base: All residents, excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer" (n=763)

Q10a: Please select your top three preferred methods of staying informed on Town matters, including events and things to do around town.

Base: All residents (n=814)



Differences by Segment Regarding Amount of Information from the Town of Georgina and Preferred Methods of Staying Informed

- Over half of women feel they receive sufficient information from the Town, while men are more likely to feel they receive too little. In terms of preferred methods of staying informed, women are more likely to prefer official Town social media accounts.
- Social media accounts are a preferred information source for residents who are 18 to 54, while those who are 55+ prefer local media coverage and newsletters.

	Gender			Age Group		Community			Residency	
	Female	Male	18-34	35-54	55+	Keswick	Sutton and Jackson's Point	All others	10+ years	< 10 years
Amount of information from the Town is	(n=472)	(n=281)	(n=144)	(n=312)	(n=307)	(n=446)	(n=161)	(n=156)	(n=467)	(n=294)
Too little	41%	52%	50%	45%	46%	47%	42%	48%	49%	42%
Just right	59%	47%	50%	54%	54%	53%	58%	51%	50%	58%
Too much	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%
Preferred methods to stay informed (among top 3)	(n=499)	(n=303)	(n=149)	(n=333)	(n=332)	(n=476)	(n=169)	(n=169)	(n=508)	(n=303)
Official Town social media accounts	54%	33%	53%	50%	32%	44%	44%	41%	41%	47%
Monthly electronic newsletter (eNews)	37%	39%	40%	37%	38%	43%	34%	31%	36%	42%
Georgina Matters newsletter	35%	39%	36%	32%	41%	38%	31%	38%	35%	40%
Corporate website (georgina.ca)	31%	32%	30%	35%	29%	28%	32%	36%	31%	32%
Local media coverage	32%	27%	19%	23%	42%	26%	29%	38%	34%	23%

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The most frequently mentioned issues facing the Town today include taxes, population growth/sustainable growth, economic development, and public safety/crime/policing

Important Issues Facing the Town of Georgina

14%	Taxes
14%	Population Growth/Sustainable Growth
14%	Economic Development
11%	Public Safety/Crime/Policing
9%	Environmental Conservation & Green Spaces
7%	Housing/Cost of Housing
6%	Road Construction/Maintenance
4%	Wasteful spending/Council comments
3%	Cost of Living
2%	Recreation/Community Engagement
1%	Traffic/Traffic Congestion
1%	Social Assistance
1%	Public Transit
1%	Hospital/Health Care Developments
1%	Parking
5%	Other
7%	Nothing

Q8: What, in your opinion, is the most important issues facing the Town of Georgina today? [open-ended response that has been categorized] Base: All residents, excluding "don't know" and "prefer not to answer" (n=660)

RESIDENT PROFILE



Locati	on
Keswick	55%
Sutton	11%
Pefferlaw	10%
Willow Beach	5%
Jackson's Point	4%
Island Grove	3%
Udora	3%
Baldwin	2%
Virgina	2%
Roche's Point	1%
Ravenshoe	1%
Port Bolster	0%
Belhaven	0%
Egypt	0%
Other	2%

Gender	
Male	50%
Female	50%
Prefer to self-describe	0%
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Respondent Age						
18 to 24	2%					
25 to 34	24%					
35 to 44	18%					
45 to 54	15%					
55 to 64	21%					
65 and older	21%					

S1: Which of the following age groups do you belong to? Base: All residents (n=814)

S5: Where do you live or own/lease rent property in Georgina? / Where is your business located in Georgina? Base: All residents (n=814)

S7: What is your gender? Base: All residents, excluding "prefer not to answer" (n=802)



Full-time or Seas	onal Residency
Full-time	99%
Seasonally	1%
Own or Operat	te a Business
Yes	9%
No	91%
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Length of time in G	eorgina
All	4 5 0/
All my life	15%
10 years or more (but not my whole life)	47%
5 to 9 years	16%
2 to 4 years	14%
Less than 2 years	9%

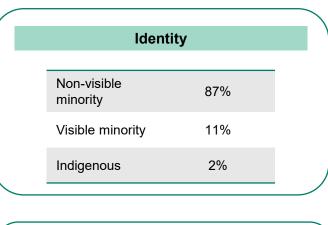
S2a: Do you live or own/lease/rent property in Georgina full-time or seasonally? Base: All residents, excluding "prefer not to answer" (n=812)

S3: Do you own or operate a business in Georgina? Base: All residents, excluding "prefer not to answer" (n=803)

S4: How long have you lived or owned/leased/rented property in Georgina? Base: All residents, excluding "prefer not to answer" and "don't know" (n=811)



Education					
Elementary school	1%				
High School	17%				
College	39%				
University certificate or diploma	7%				
University Bachelor's degree	26%				
University Master's degree	9%				
University Doctorate	1%				



Children in I	Household	
Yes	37%	
No	63%	

D4: What is the highest level of education that you have completed? Base: All residents, excluding "prefer not to answer" (n=777)

D1: Are you an Indigenous person, that is, First Nations, Métis, or Inuk (Inuit)? D2: Do you identify as a visible minority? Base: All residents, excluding "prefer not to answer" (n=768)

D6: Are there any children under the age of 18 in your household? Base: All residents, excluding "prefer not to answer" (n=800)



	Employment Status		
	Self-employed	10%	
	Employed full time (>30 hours)	55%	
	Employed part time (<30 hours)	4%	
	On leave	3%	
	Not currently employed	2%	
	Retired	24%	
	Homemaker	1%	
	Student	1%	
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Residence		
Own	87%	
Rent or lease	9%	
Live with a friend/family member	3%	
Something else	0%	
Not applicable	0%	
Income		
Under \$50,000	11%	

Income				
	Under \$50,000	11%		
	\$50,000 to under \$100,000	26%		
	\$100,000 to under \$150,000	27%		
	\$150,000 to under \$200,000	20%		
	\$200,000 or more	16%		

D3: Which of the following best describes your current employment status? Base: All residents, excluding "prefer not to answer" (n=797)

D5: Do you own, rent, or lease your home? Base: All residents, excluding "prefer not to answer" (n=797)

D7: Which of the following categories best describes your household's annual income, before taxes? Base: All residents, excluding "prefer not to answer" (n=636)

APPENDIX



Research sponsor (including all financial sponsors)	Town of Georgina
Research/data collection supplier	Advanis
Population represented	Residents of Georgina who are 18 years of age or older
Sample size	n=814
Mode of data collection	 Survey pre-tested via telephone recruitment to an online survey Postcard mail-out to households with a phone number to send an SMS to receive a link to the online survey (English only)
Source of sample	ASDE Listed & Unlisted RDD landline numbers for pre-testPostcards to all households in Georgina via Canada Post
Description of sample	Probability sample
Sample design	All sample contacted
Start and end dates of data collection	Pretest: Nov. 12, 2024 to Nov. 19, 2024 Postcard Recruit: Feb. 24, 2025 to March 31, 2025
Strategies used to gain cooperation	 Postcards sent to all residential addresses within Georgina; reminders to those who requested a link to the survey but did not complete the survey Town advertised study to encourage participation Residents could also contact someone from the Town if they were having difficulty accessing the survey from the postcard. A unique link to the survey was emailed to these individuals.
Margin of sampling error for total sample	± 3.4%, 19 times out of 20
Is data weighted?	Yes, by age and gender based on Statistics Canada, 2021 Census of Population; and by community based on Environics Analytics 2022 based on data collected by Statistics Canada for the Current Canadian Census.
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