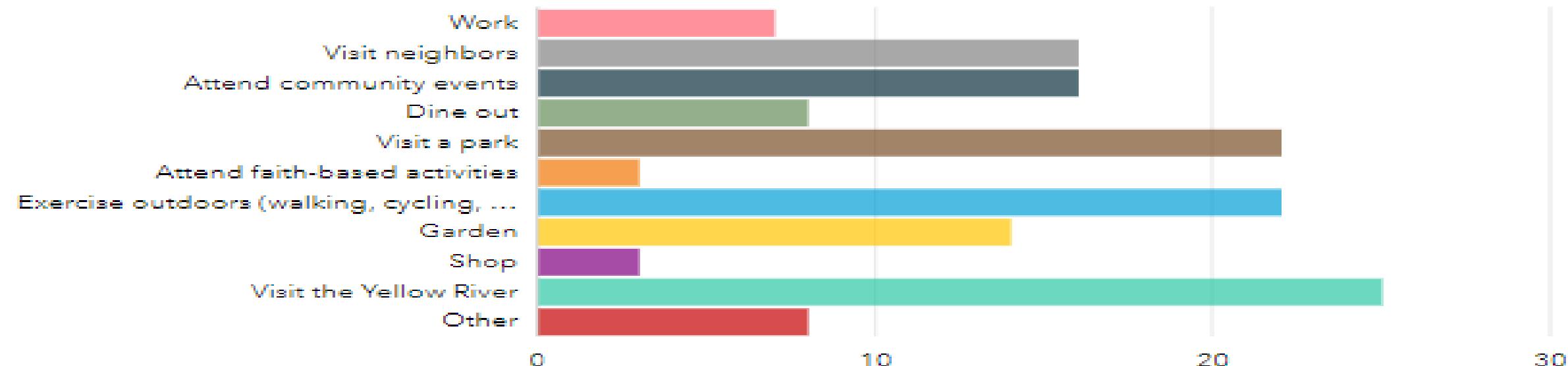


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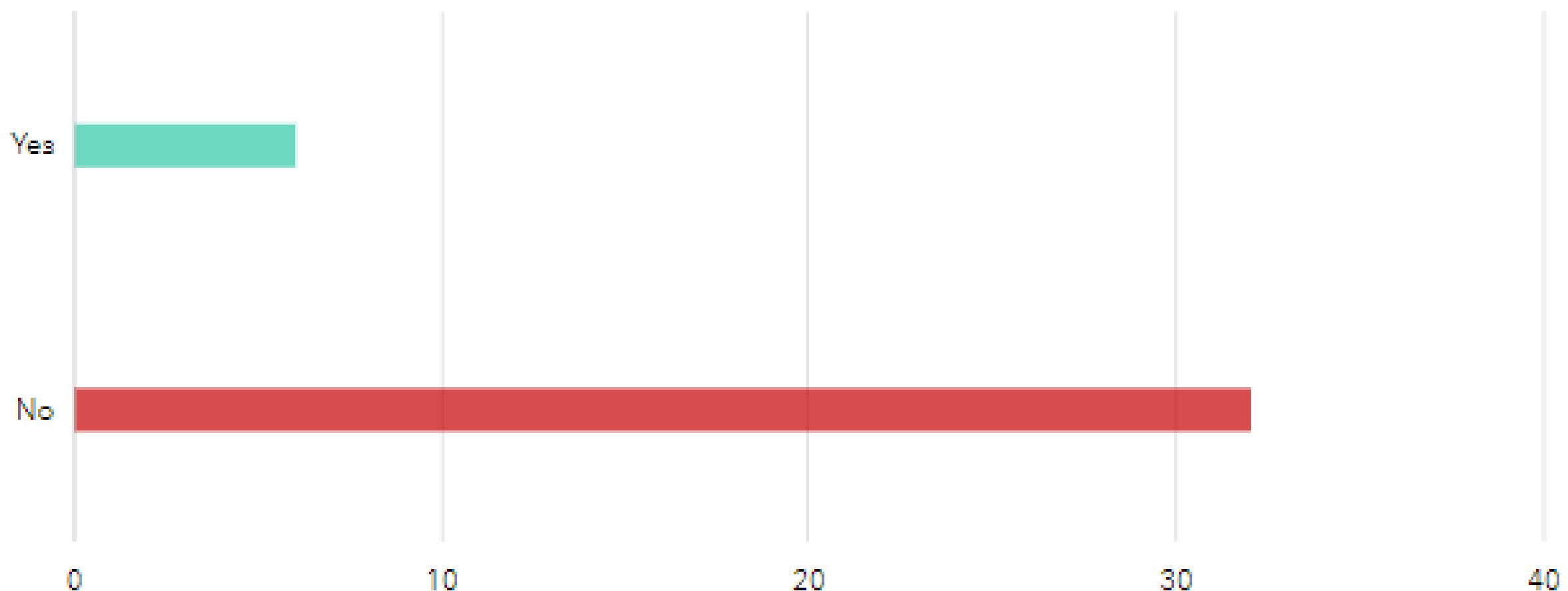
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Answers	Count	Percentage
Work	7	18.42%
Visit neighbors	16	42.11%
Attend community events	16	42.11%
Dine out	8	21.05%
Visit a park	22	57.89%
Attend faith-based activities	3	7.89%
Exercise outdoors (walking, cycling, running)	22	57.89%
Garden	14	36.84%
Shop	3	7.89%
Visit the Yellow River	25	65.79%
Other	8	21.05%

Are the streets and sidewalks adequately maintained?

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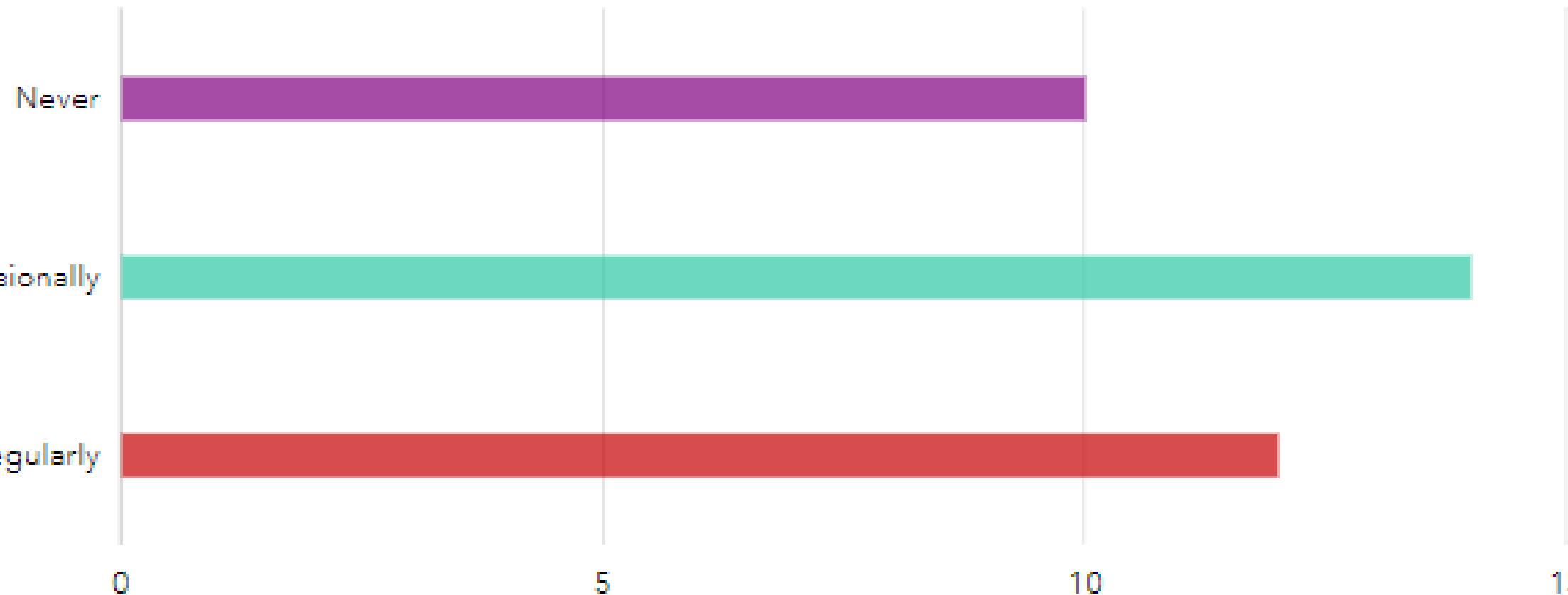


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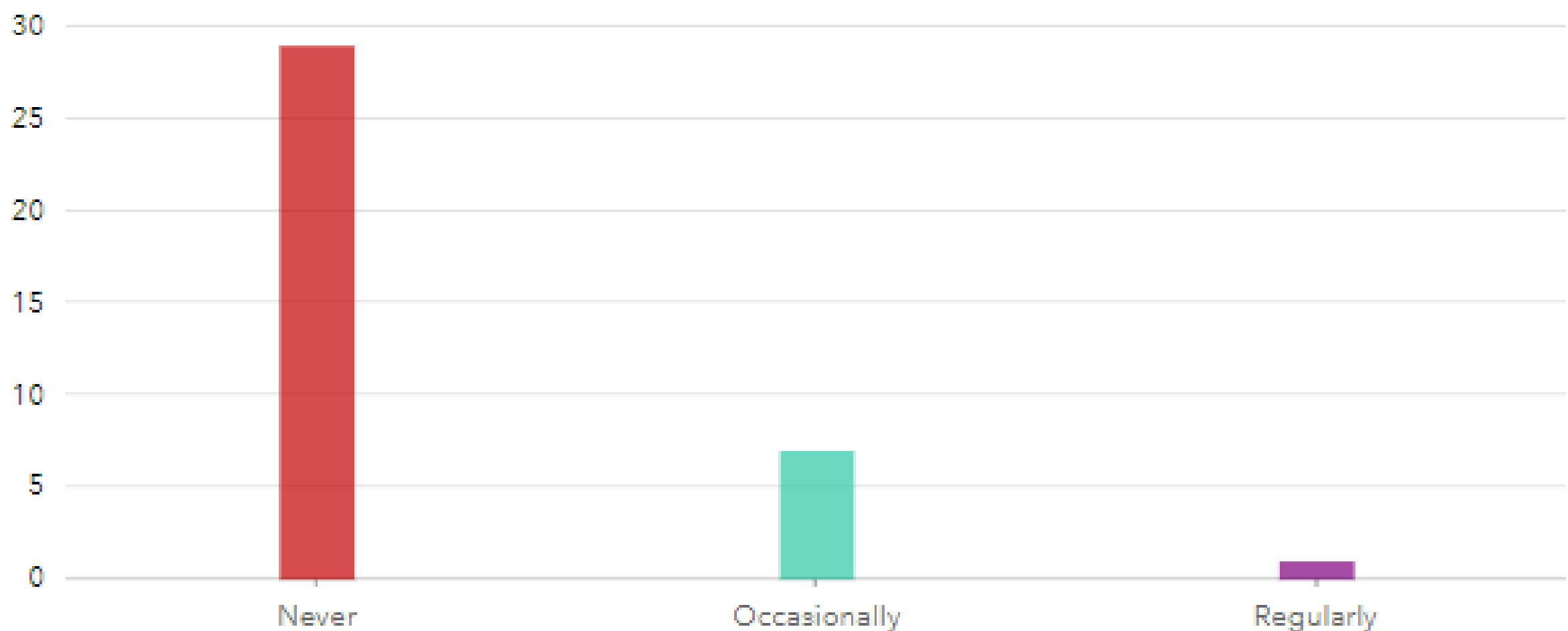
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No	32	84.21%

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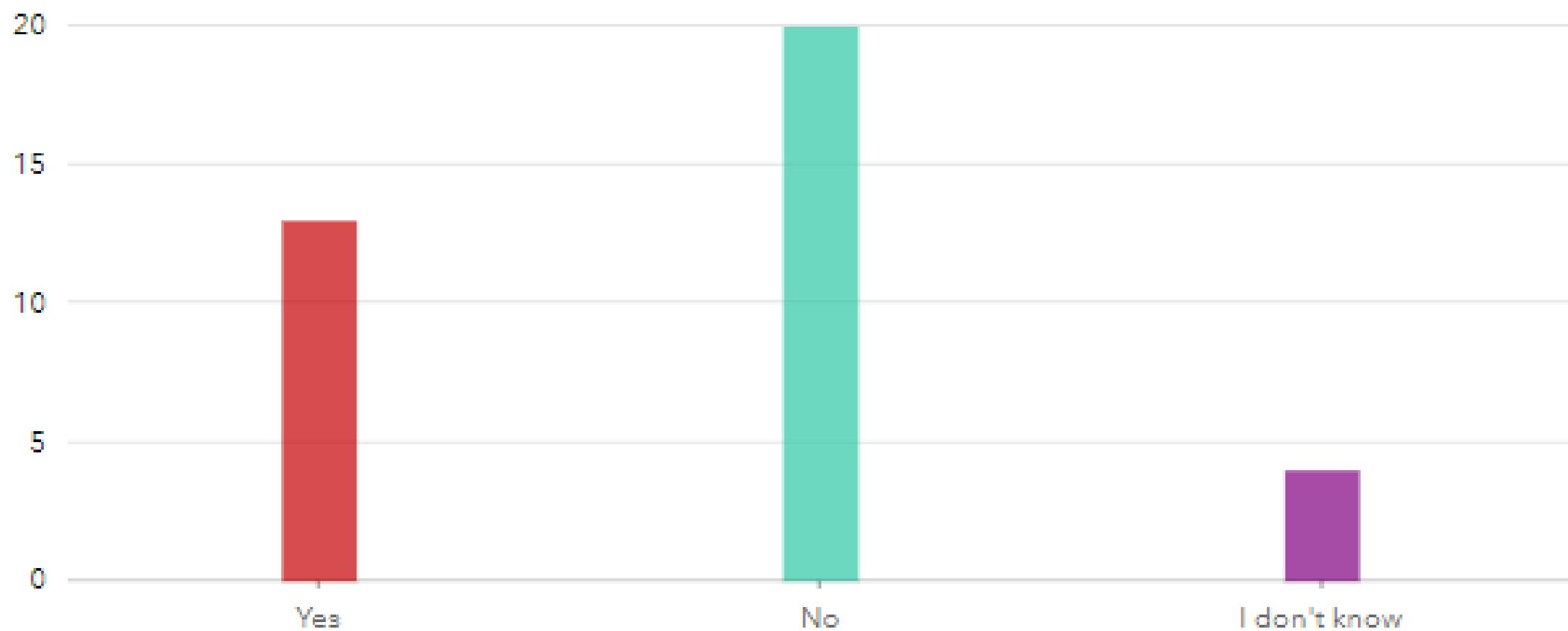
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Answers	Count	Percentage
Never	10	26.32%
Occasionally	14	36.84%
Regularly	12	31.58%

Do you bike or walk to any destinations outside of city limits such as Downtown Covington?

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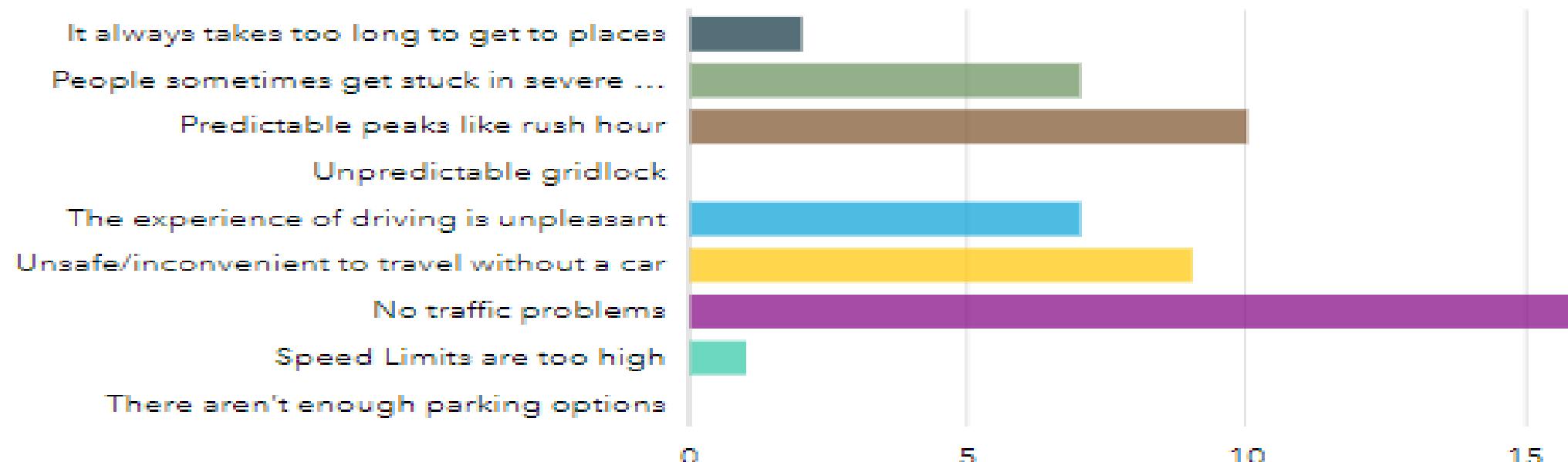
Answers	Count	Percentage
Never	29	76.32%
Occasionally	7	18.42%
Regularly	1	2.63%

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Answers	Count	Percentage
Yes	13	34.21%
No	20	52.63%
I don't know	4	10.53%

Does the community have any traffic issues?

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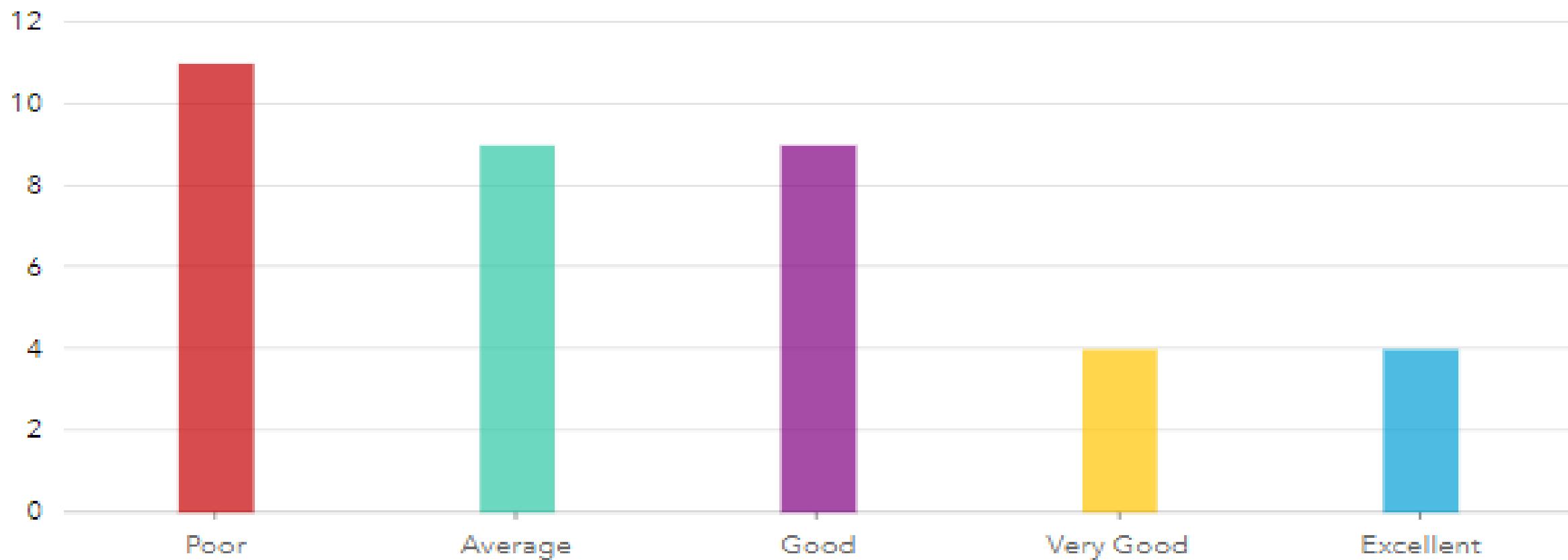
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Answers	Count	Percentage
It always takes too long to get to places	2	5.26%
People sometimes get stuck in severe congestion	7	18.42%
Predictable peaks like rush hour	10	26.32%
Unpredictable gridlock	0	0%
The experience of driving is unpleasant	7	18.42%
Unsafe/inconvenient to travel without a car	9	23.68%
No traffic problems	16	42.11%
Speed Limits are too high	1	2.63%
There aren't enough parking options	0	0%

Answered: 35 Skipped: 3

How would you rate the water & sewer services in the City of Porterdale:

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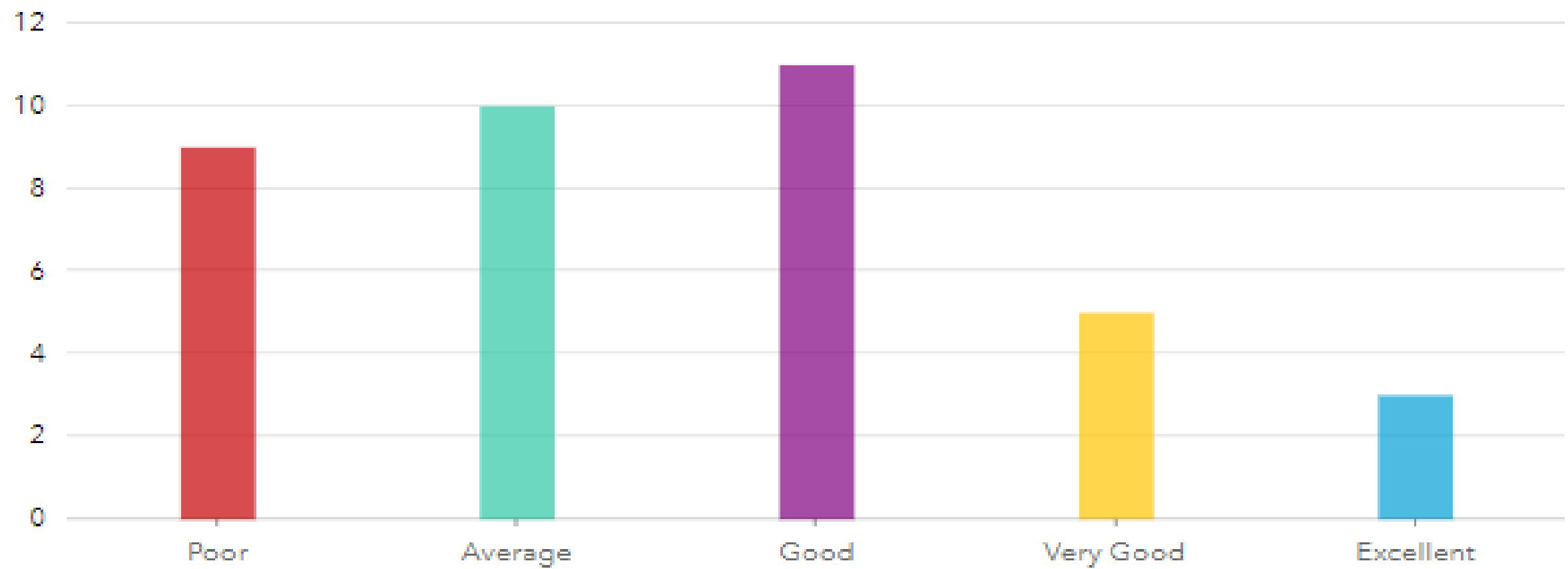


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Answers	Count	Percentage
Poor	11	28.95%
Average	9	23.68%
Good	9	23.68%
Very Good	4	10.53%
Excellent	4	10.53%

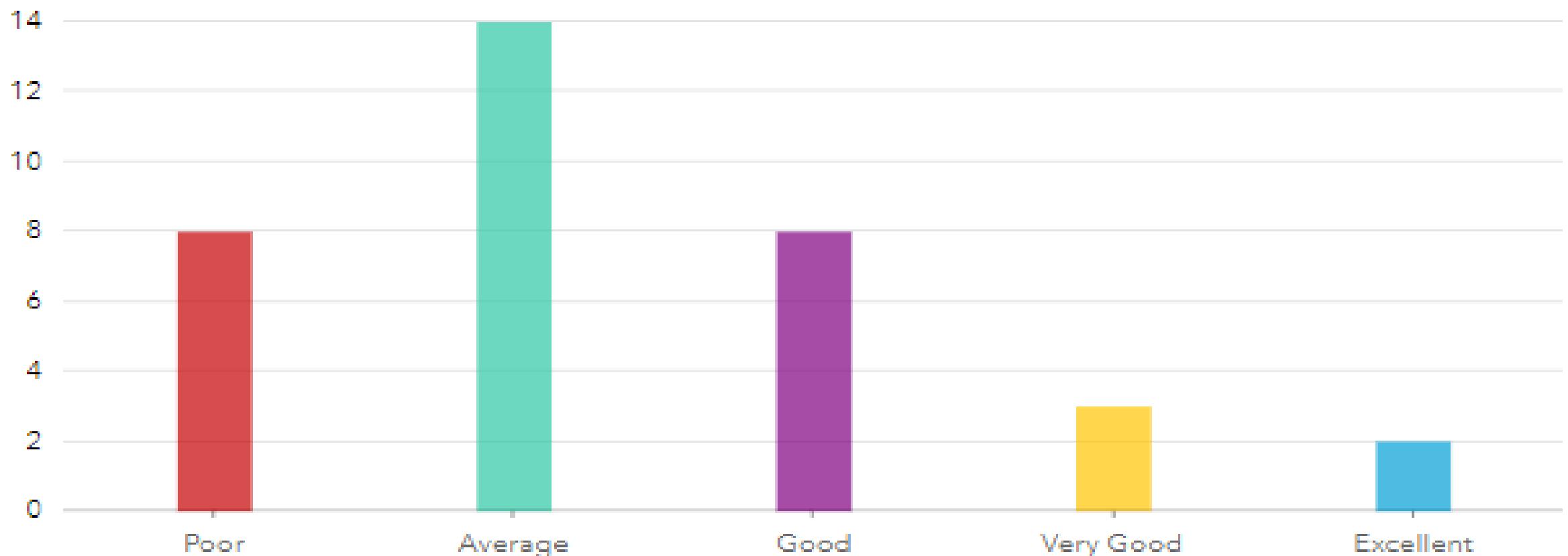
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Answers	Count	Percentage
Poor	9	23.68%
Average	10	26.32%
Good	11	28.95%
Very Good	5	13.16%
Excellent	3	7.89%

How would you rate the internet services in the City of Porterdale:

Column Bar Pie Map



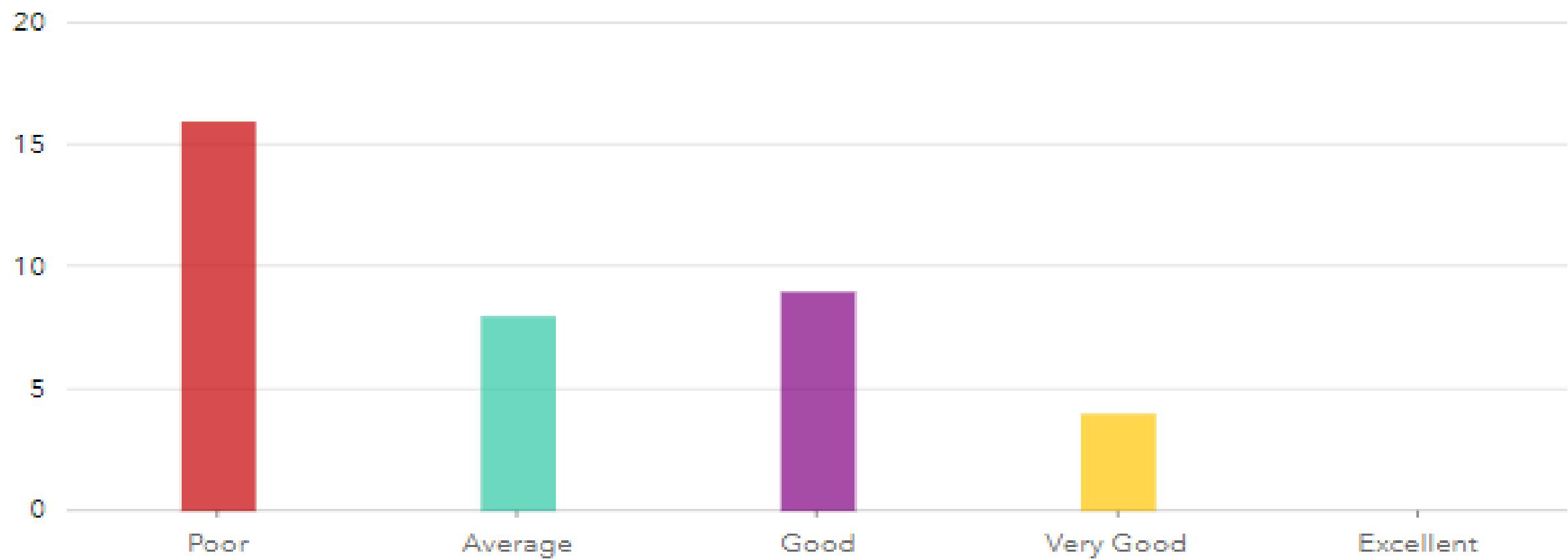
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Answers	Count	Percentage
Poor	8	21.05%
Average	14	36.84%
Good	8	21.05%
Very Good	3	7.89%
Excellent	2	5.26%

Answered: 35 Skipped: 3

How would you rate the leisure/recreation services in the City of Porterdale:

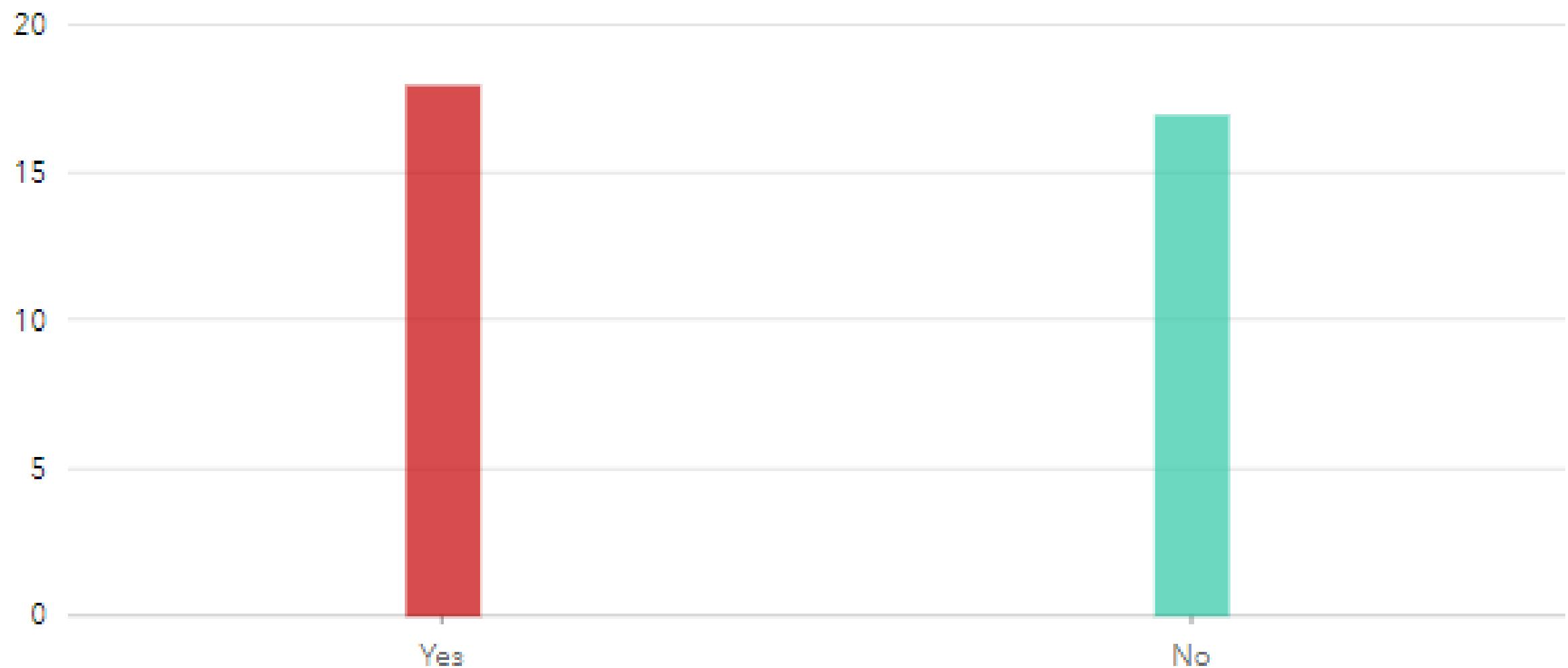
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Answers	Count	Percentage
Poor	16	42.11%
Average	8	21.05%
Good	9	23.68%
Very Good	4	10.53%
Excellent	0	0%

Answered: 37 Skipped: 1

Are there adequate housing options to meet the future needs of the community?

Column Bar Pie Map



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Answers	Count	Percentage
Yes	18	47.37%
No	17	44.74%

Answered: 35 Skipped: 3

You should know _____ about this neighborhood or community.

This neighborhood could be so beautiful like it was when I was growing up. I wish codes were enforced to help bring properties up to code and the city would look inviting and clean.

?

That the older residents that have lived here for decades do not feel well represented by the City Council and Mayor. We feel like second class citizens compared to the Loft residents and the people that have bought the refurbished houses.

Yellow River Access points

It isn't progressing quickly enough

That the city is run by two(2) people

That we asked for an autistic child sign to be placed in our neighborhood 4 months ago

1.4 million dollars missing

?

The leadership is corrupt and so are parts of the police department.

Too many transients

There is Unethical Leadership

Water quality bad

the current council & especially the mayor does NOT know how to accomplish the task of fixing the city's problems ... very obvious , look at the current state of affairs in the city's finances & ALL the crime , drugs & thugs

Many elderly and fixed income live here. Homes are occupied by down line relatives and they aren't paying full taxes on property

We have a wonderful app but it is not utilized. Community events need to be published reliably on the app - city website - and facebook under the 'events' heading

that the changes are so exciting

this village has so much potential and can be revitalized!

List three small actions your local government could take to improve the quality of life in your neighborhood/community.

1)2)3)
1)2)3)
1)enforce housing codes for cleaner yards2)Police should patrol more3)pave streets that have holes from crews digging them up
1)Keep the grass mowed2)Build a dog park3)Entice more businesses to be a part of our community!
1)Offer recycling program2)Kayak classes at Yellow River 3)
1) Implement term limits on elected officials.2) More involvement from local churches in the community.3) Having somewhere to buy groceries.
1)Maintain landscaping at Yellow River Park2)3)
1) small? Hum...maybe be a good neighbor. Call or visit elderly and disabled. Those who can't get to meetings or are unable to drive. 2) SMALL action to improve QUALITY of life. hum.3)
1)New mayor2 mostly new City Council3)new police department
1) Keep grass in medians, along sidewalks, and in the park mowed.2) Bring in more business in the downtown business district.3)
1)Recreation 2)More open forums 3)communication with local residents
1)more shops2)cut the grass3) watch speeders!
1) keep grass cut2) market the town better 3) host more kid events
1)find/ return our missing money2)cut PD's budget3)rehire the public works department
1). Keep police force satisfied and strong.2) upkeep of city property.3) gym more accessible to public
1) work to make the community safer and more attractive to families.2) spend more money on the town rather than lining their own pockets.3) enforce laws but put a moratorium on speed traps etc. to encourage people to go to the town rather than around it.
1)get rid of transients 2)encourage homeownership and discourage rentals 3)revise the housing code so I own the outside of my house again and then I will fix it up.
1) Repair & Upgrade all the roads2) Repair & Upgrade all the sidewalks3) Install more lights, especially on the walkable parts of town
1)get our public works department back working to keep our public areas back up and doing their jobs2) better water quality 3 letters of bad quality just this year3)
1)2)3)
1)2)3)
1)change the police departments focus2)change the city's mayor & council3)foster house rehabs
1)stop favoring police2)City council members not to favor departments3)City to treat everyone equal
1)Stop being corrupt.2) Stop wasting money on our corrupt police force.3)Hire back the public works department.
1)2)3)
1)2)3)
1)try to bring new businesses downtown...the store fronts are empty2)keep the grass in public areas better maintained3)post office building needs better upkeep
1)reign in the police dept. they were equally effective on much less budget. Nothing has been gained for the community with all the increase in expense2)Garden or "pride of place" clubs initiative 3)Put signs out announcing day of city council meetings "town hall tonight@
1)improve the roads ASAP (the neighborhood streets)2)Enforce code regulations3)Do a better job keeping the public areas up.
1)2)3)
1) When we get back to doing events please make signs and directions visible on the street coming into Porterdale especially when there are big events like Yjam so people can see coming in from Crowell Road and Covington what is going on and where to go with directional signs. We forget that people who don't live here might find it challenging to find their way to the river from Main Street.
2
3)
1)Better internet service2)More sidewalks3)Improve the water system so we don't get a notice each month that we didn't pass water inspection.
1) look for grants or tax incentives for renovations that improve the community and meet historic guidelines2) more community activities for a variety of ages3)
1) get finances under control and hold accountable those at fault2) create a more positive image3) look to hosting more family friendly community events
1) More \$\$\$ towards public services2) Spruce up the entrances in to the City3)
1) Address the garbage issues2) Hold landlords accountable for the condition of their property and the behavior of their tenants3)
1)2)3)
1) provide soccer goals on field 2) bring Krispy Kreme franchise 3)get rid of city hood and let the county operate the area

Why do you enjoy living in this community? List your top three reasons.

1)2)3)
1)2)3)
1)I grew up here and love the small town feeling. 2)I own my home here. 3)My mom lives here
1)The historic nature of everything2)The community events and closeness3)The access to nature
1)2)3)
1) I was born here.2) I know my neighbors.3) My roots run deep.
1)Yellow River Park2)3)
1) size of the rooms in my home. Affordable for me. 2) Fairly quiet until renters get carried away 3) walking access to the parks and river
1) I liked the Mayberry feel2)Neighbors3)activities when we had them
1) Sense of community2) friendly people3) neighborhood spots like Madd Lulu and Milazzos
1)many friends 2)grew up 3)access to river
1)the madd lulu shop2) river3) playground
1) safety2) community 3) small town living feel
1)i like my house.2)3)
1)small town atmosphere.2)3)
1)2)3)
1)I am not enjoying it 2)3)
1) Very cheap housing2) Close to I-20 3) Proximity to Family
1)Quiet2)Small community3)Police patrolling. At least before. Since the money issues. I don't see them patrol anymore. They used to drive by several times a day. Not anymore
1) low priced housing2) Good neighbors3)
1)2)3)
1)i dont2) i dont3) i dont
1)Used to be forward thinking but lost that2)wonderful old homes3) nice size of my home
1)2)3)
1)2)3)
1)friend people2)disc golf park3)close to interstate but feels like a country town
1)2)I don't anymore 3)
1)My house which I bought 2 yrs ago.2)Living in a small community.3)The river park. I kayak there when I can.
1)2)3)
1) Eclectic population and mixed use settings2) Fun and creative events3) Kayaking- hiking - food available
1)2)3)
1) feels safe2) love the renovations3) exciting to be part of a revitalization project.
1) love the small town vibe2) the potential this village has3) history
1)2)3)
1) 2)3)
1)Friends close by2)3)
1)2)3)

In 20 years what you do hope your neighborhood/community will be like?

I would love for the town to be restored to the beautiful town it once was. I want to be proud to say I live in Porterdale Ga. If the codes for cleaning yards and keeping homes maintained we could be proud of our town again. I'm not just talking about Main Street I mean the whole town.

I'd love to see all of the homes refurbished and thriving businesses that have been around for a while. I'd love to see a system of walking/biking trails that show off the beauty of the yellow river.

Hoping that it will be an area like Asheville NC

Lower property taxes. Transparent government. A more respectful police department. More wholesome and family centered restaurants.

Owner occupied homes, small grocery and drug store in walking distance of downtown The old mill and hotel restored and operational. Neighbors playing ball together on the ballfields. Christmas tree in each of the parks on main street. A community of people who work and play together and take pride in their town.

Clean, safe and not run by two people

Thriving business district with shops and restaurants. Every house renovated and neighbors socializing with each other.

Friendly and compassionate to others

Better!! More to do

All homes renovated and more shopping and restaurants

Mowed

Still a small town with lots of character but all cleaned up. No drugs. No rundown housing. No crooked politicians many of whom don't or never did live in the community. Just a safe, pleasant place to raise a family with clean streets, clean water and good neighbors.

Hopefully I won't be here to see it

commercial, etc.).

No more money to expand parks, what we have is amazing and the City can't maintain what we have.

Only new leadership can move us forward.

I would like to see more private ownership of homes, as opposed to rental homes available. Privately owned homes tend to be cared for and maintained better, thus boosting the resell value of the neighborhood's houses.

like it was in the 1960-70s

City run butter that elected officials now. All homes up to code. Bypass used for traffic. More money put to making place better and less to police.

Still here. At the rate of decline due to our poor city council, I doubt Porterdale will even exist in 10 years, much less 20.

a place where people can live and work with more options in our small downtown area that makes life more convenient

Better

A nice place to live and visit.

I hope historic Porterdale will be easily walkable with stores and restaurants and I'd love a craft beer location. I hope it maintains its eclectic small town charm and accessibility. I'd like to see the outdoor area on main street between the two big buildings used more for dining and evening gatherings. It's a nice little space.

a model mill village, honoring the city's history and a walking friendly, family friendly vital community.

safe, thriving, filled with diverse businesses, and a place that welcomes families and hosts events to entertain them.

I hope that our community will be peacefully integrated, racially, socially, and economically, with opportunities for work and leisure that appeal to a diverse population. I hope for feelings of confidence and good will to replace anger and fear.

Based on the map above, where do you think new development should be most concentrated?

Between the 2 portions of the City
development.
I'd also love to see some development, or care, of the current roads through town where it ALWAYS washes out when it rains.
Outside of the village and downtown area.
Near Yellow River
Town center, historic residential, rose hill, commercial node, Cedar Shoals project
Bypass
Neighborhood residential
More dining and shopping opportunities on Main St.
Future annexation area
Down Town districts are vital to any old town. Commercial, Retail and Residential development needs to be the #1 priority - not a park. Streetscape enhancements and light additions are also a MUST.
im not sure porterdale should allow any more developments at this point... city of porterdale cant not manage any of the city , finanacially or physically
By Pass Rd or "potential annexation " on Covington side
The business area and river park.
cannot enlarge map enough to tell what it represents Concentrate more on the downtown are and revitalize that
Around the downtown area and near the river
? See above

The map shown above is of the previous Porterdale Character Areas identified in the 2015 comprehensive plan. This will be revisited during the input process of the comprehensive plan update.

Outside of the village and the downtown area.

No enough busineeses in the down town area and undeveloped properties in outline areas

The downtown area needs Re-Investment in Historical Buildings AND New Live\Work\Play buildings. The park is there and does not need to come all the way to Highway 81. Signs can get anyone to the River Park. Enhance the current park and add unique directional signs to get more people there.
You can't walk in our little town due to the very poor conditions of the sidewalks, plus very limited lighting at nights. It's scary and sometimes dangerous.

city of porterdale has not utilized that plan or adhered to it

The Osprey Mill should be sold, broken up into small business and new residential that is a complimentary style to the historic cottages

I can't expand it to read it.

Map too small to read what Character Areas are--cannot get it to enlarge

What are the top activities you do within Porterdale? Select up to 5:

work
other
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Does the community have any traffic issues?

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In your opinion, is there enough park space within Porterdale to be easily accessible to all residents? If not, explain:

Yes

Yes

The large park at the river and all of the small parks are great for families. I would love to see a dog park or a portion of a park that is fenced so residents with canine families could have a place to go.

Yes, we have plenty.

Yes

Yes, easily accessible for residents minus uneven or broken sidewalks.

People park in their front yards! Need neighborhood parking and development of City space behind houses.

No, there's area that have no parks

Yes!!!

Park entrance needs to be paved.

No. There are not enough spaces anywhere in the town.

No.

Yes. Empty parking spots is the issue. WE DESPERATELY NEED A PARKING ISSUE, which would mean people WANT to visit our little town to play, eat, spend money, etc. Currently, there are limited reasons to come here. We need a downtown shopping district or retail, commercial, etc. (new investment would do this).

yes, most people are not using the current parks... porterdale does not attract enough of the right people

Yes

I think we have plenty. Just need to be kept up a lot better than they are presently.

some of the smaller playgrounds on side streets look less well maintained than the one on Broad but not dangerous.

Yes

No, there should be another park near the Crowell Road side of Porterdale.

Are there any persistent public safety issues in your community (dangerous intersections, sanitation, crime, etc.)? If yes, please explain

Small city public works staff
I personally believe that there is a drug problem and juvenile problems on Spruce Street and if the streets were patrolled more it would help.
There are certainly some houses that are in need of help. I have seen lately that upkeep of the public grounds has been a little lagging, but I assume that has to do with financial and personnel issues in the city.
We have to many bars. The culture of the police department and the lack of having a local fire department.
Not that I know of
Trash in streets etc, bulk waste not picked up in alleys, overgrown easements and alleys. Slumlords allowing loud and often multiple families, police tolerating drugs and excessive speed on residential streets. So many people throw trash outside of car windows onto sidewalks. Sanitation, garbage and bulk waste are becoming a nuisance
Speeding on E Palmetto. Sanitation, over growth into roadways that severely obstruct your view. Sanitation - grass unkempt.
See prior comments
Major Lack of lighting after dark. Lack of nice street scape and landscaping (look at Monroe). The roads and alleys for the Village is absolutely awful. Why has this been ignored? The only police presence is at the Crowell Road area AND when the filming teams are in town. Sanitation
crime , drugs , thugs and cleanliness are the biggest problems... porterdale police dept focuses most on traffic tickets as a money revenue stream , most focus should be on removing crime, drugs & thugs over traffic tickets like tail lights , low level speeding , etc etc.... porterdale has a history as a ticket trap & currently still is Trash issues with neighbors and city not picking up trash!!! Fix the roads. They are awful
People speed all the time. People walk in street and refuse to move . I even seen police trying to go around them instead of telling them to get out of road.
LitteringOverflowing trash cansResidential inside furniture & appliances outsideAll attract rodents
See above please - the walkways on either side of the road from Crowell Road to Porterdale town center are very dangerous. There are no safe crossways along that stretch either until you get up to the parking lot at the river. Nansbrook subdivision needs speed bumps and better lighting at night. eventually be completely resolved. park and open space areas need to be better maintained and cleaned up Sanitation and lack of response from police. We have a paid investigator. What is he investigating? Keep the grass cut so that we can enjoy the amenities. There are continuous garbage issues in my area. The dirt road that connects Michael Ryan Drive should be blocked off completely. Cars speed down the road to avoid the street light. Drivers almost hit parked cars, kids riding their bikes, and neighbors trying to exercise.

How would you rate the water & sewer services in the City of Porterdale:

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poor
good
good
poor
poor
average
poor
excellent
poor
excellent
poor
good
good
excellent
poor
very_good
average
very_good
excellent
average
average

How would you rate the police services in the City of Porterdale:

very_good
poor
average
good
good
poor
good
average
poor
very_good
average
good
good
poor
excellent
average
average
poor
average
very_good
poor
good
average
excellent
average
good
good
excellent
good
very_good
good
average
good
very_good
average

How would you rate the internet services in the City of Porterdale:

good
poor
average
good
poor
poor
poor
average
very_good
good
average
average
average
average
poor
average
very_good
good
average
average
average
excellent
average
good
average
poor
poor
excellent
average
good
very_good
good
good

How would you rate the leisure/recreation services in the City of Porterdale:

average
poor
average
very good
very good
average
good
average
poor
good
good
poor
average
poor
average
poor
poor
poor
poor
good
average
poor
good
poor
very good
poor
good
good
poor
average
very good
poor
poor
good
good
poor
poor

Are there any activities you would like to do in your community but cannot? Explain:

Have a litter pick up day maybe once or twice a month to help clean or streets. Get the youth involved and reward them in some small way to keep them involved.

I'd love to have a space for my dogs to run. I'd love to have a variety of shopping and restaurants in the community. I hate that I always have to go to Covington for all of that. I'd much rather stay in Porterdale!

Using the parking lot across from the Porterdale lofts to generate income for Porterdale ie: pumpkin patch, Christmas trees , ice skating rink.

Buy groceries.

More community events, walking clubs, music, exercise classes, community yard sale, Main ST active again.

None

Yes!!!

Tennis

Be able to actually get to a park without needing an ATV because of the over growth.

Listen to music weekly - enjoy shopping and dining.

Send my children to a good school. Even a decent school would, sadly, be an improvement.

Walking without being victimized by criminals and transients

My family is afraid to walk due to uneven sidewalks \roads, not enough lighting throughout the town and a the River Park (everywhere). Then, there is not a police presence except the Hwy 81 \ Crowell Road areas. Simply put, we do not feel safe.

A fitness area in or by YRWT would be nice

Can't think of anything at this time.

Would like to see more community involvement and more family friendly events. We need more things for children to do and be involved in. Increase the family environment, not the drinking and partying scene.

Swim in a pool.

Are the streets and sidewalks adequately maintained?

no
no
no
no
yes
no
yes
no
yes
no
no
yes
no
no
yes
no
no
no
no
yes

Are there adequate housing options to meet the future needs of the community?

no
no
no
yes
yes
yes
yes
no
yes
yes
yes
no
yes
no
yes
yes
yes
yes
no
no
yes

What is the most immediate housing issue within the city? Explain.

Larger variety of moderate income housing.
Houses that have sat for years and are actually safety hazards. Some houses have been empty for 30 plus years and are falling in.
The most immediate housing issue is to fix up some of the more neglected houses. There are plenty of people who are excited to own in Porterdale. It's time to make that a possibility!
Our property taxes are to high.
Rental houses. Renters trash the homes and yards. Income, a lot of people who own their home don't have the income to paint and do repairs however I'm sure they would welcome any help with paint and repairs. Especially the elderly, disabled and single people. Slumlords and overgrown yards, dog pen and garbage smells.
There are a lot of houses that don't look livable or safe. It is my dream to see every house in Porterdale renovated and made into the safest and most welcoming home possible for all families.
Run the landlords out of town
Not enough availability, grass overgrown
Dilapidated homes need to be addressed
Not having a public works department. Yes... This has to do with housing.
Hard to turn property with the way the city looks now.
Run down housing. Landlords dont keep up the property they own. Leaving renters to suffer and discouraging others from renting there.
Too many renters
Investors and homeowners are taking care of the historic mill houses, through renovations. We need new, downtown investments that sort of duplicate\compliment the amazing Lofts. We also need a stand alone, Senior Development of Mini Homes - a Mini Home Village.
Water quality
lots of dilapidated houses and structures....with crime, drugs & thugs , houses stay in a dilapidated situation , , home owners , builders & developers don't want to invest monies in these areas because porterdale is not cleaning up the areas
Houses that are run down and done look adequate
Too many slumlords and dilapidated buildings.
Quality is the problem, not quantity. Slumlords continue to rent SECTION 8 without verifying backgrounds or policing their tenants. Occupancy always has many more people than the lease states. Felons are in too close proximity to children's parks and each other I think code regulations should be strongly enforced. Most rental properties are a disgrace to our town.
Affordable senior living
appliances.
While Porterdale has done a good job of eliminating most of the most egregious landlords, there still appears to be a deficit of housing between what I would consider meeting minimal standards and the lofts.
More affordable housing options
More options, more code enforcement on rented properties.
1) Rental houses which are run down and badly maintained. 2) Not enough residential parking.
Many properties in bad disrepair!

Other - What are the top activities you do within Porterdale? Select up to 5:

Live
Pay taxes
Live here
Long Term Reside
see all the problem areas daily that the city officials neglect
Live
Live

Do you have any suggestions for making Porterdale more walkable or bike-friendly?

The streets are horrible where the crews have dug up the streets for sewer upgrades and they have been left almost impassable. Code enforcement needs to start enforcing codes that pertain to residents cleaning their yards. I have lived here basically my whole life and have never seen it this bad.

I believe the first few streets off of Broad street are well maintained (Broad and Poplar mainly). The rest of the streets need better sidewalks and maintenance so they can be more easily used by residents. I took my dog for a walk and she came home with over 20 burrs - and we were on the sidewalks the whole time!

The main thoroughfare of Porterdale is such a huge hill, I cannot imagine feeling safe to bike down it, especially on the road. I'd love to see some more bike trails around town that would maybe bypass the big hill!

Bike lanes, Flashing crosswalks

Better maintenance of the roads and sidewalks.

Repair uneven and broken sidewalks. Getting residents to not park on the sidewalks would help. Some streets feel uncomfortable to walk down because of the appearance of yards and foul odors. Sometimes you smell sewers, pot, alcohol and just nastiness while walking. Flushing the sewer lines could help. The drains on most streets are completely overgrown or partially overgrown causing potential hazards. Less rentals and more owner occupied homes could help eliminate a lot.

Clean streets, sidewalks, alleys, cut grass

Keep the medians and areas near the sidewalks clean. Trash is gross and it's not safe for my dogs to walk around it. Keeping the grass cut is also helpful.

Cut the grass

Cut the grass ave fix sidewalks!! Maybe offer a golf cart service to the square. Add more shops in porterdale. I'd like to see a kayak rental for the river!! Might could help porterdale!!!

Keep grass cut and sidewalks clear

Cut the grass

I dont walk there but there are areas I dont really want to drive thru. So, no. I wouldnt walk or bike especially after dark.

Get rid of the loud partying houses with the drunk black people yelling mf this and mf that drunk and outside till 4am. Have a curfew to stop roving gangs of teenagers who wander around at night.

Enhance the current sidewalks and add unique directional signs to get more people to the trail and parks. You can't currently walk/ride in our little town due to the very poor conditions of the sidewalks, plus very limited lighting at nights. It's scary and sometimes dangerous.

Cut the grass and Empty trash cans in public areas

getting rid of the drugs & thugs will be the most important thing porterdale could do for porterdale & its residents

Fix the streets and side walks.

Bike lanes, smooth sidewalks

Repair sidewalks, put in designated bike routes and clean up drug crime on back streets

Keep up the grounds and city hall and especially the river park. I visited the park about 2 wks ago and the appearance was a disgrace. Also maybe a bike lane thru the business area.

Safe walkways are needed from Crowell Road all the through to Porterdale Town Center. It is very dangerous as it is especially at the intersection with Elm Street.

We need more sidewalks, Crowell Rd is the worst

make more inviting spaces that are worth walking to

Keep the grass and sidewalks maintained. Make sure the sanitation services are running regularly. Enforce the building codes. Enforce the lease laws in the parks.

Sidewalks are uneven and broken. Ramps from sidewalk to street for crossings, etc., are not maintained except on the main street. Residents parking in front yards block access to some sidewalks. Parking on the street is so crowded that visibility is blocked -- can't see pedestrians or children playing.

Do you bike or walk from your residence to any destinations within city limits such as local parks, shopping, dining, services, faith-based activities, or to visit friends?

never

occasionally

occasionally

regularly

occasionally

never

occasionally

regularly

occasionally

regularly

occasionally

regularly

never

occasionally

never

never

never

regularly

occasionally

occasionally

regularly

occasionally

regularly

occasionally

regularly

occasionally

regularly

never

never

never

regularly

occasionally

regularly

never

Do you bike or walk to any destinations outside of city limits such as Downtown Covington?

Is the community safe, comfortable, and inviting for people to walk or bike to activities, jobs, shopping, dining, services, etc.?

no
no
yes
yes
yes
yes
no
no
no
yes
yes
yes
yes
no
i_don't_know
no
no
no
yes
yes
no
no
yes
no
no
no
yes
no
no
i_don't_know
no
no
yes
no
yes
no
i_don't_know
i_don't_know