



2018 DEER COMMITTEE

Presented by: Erin Trist



Background:

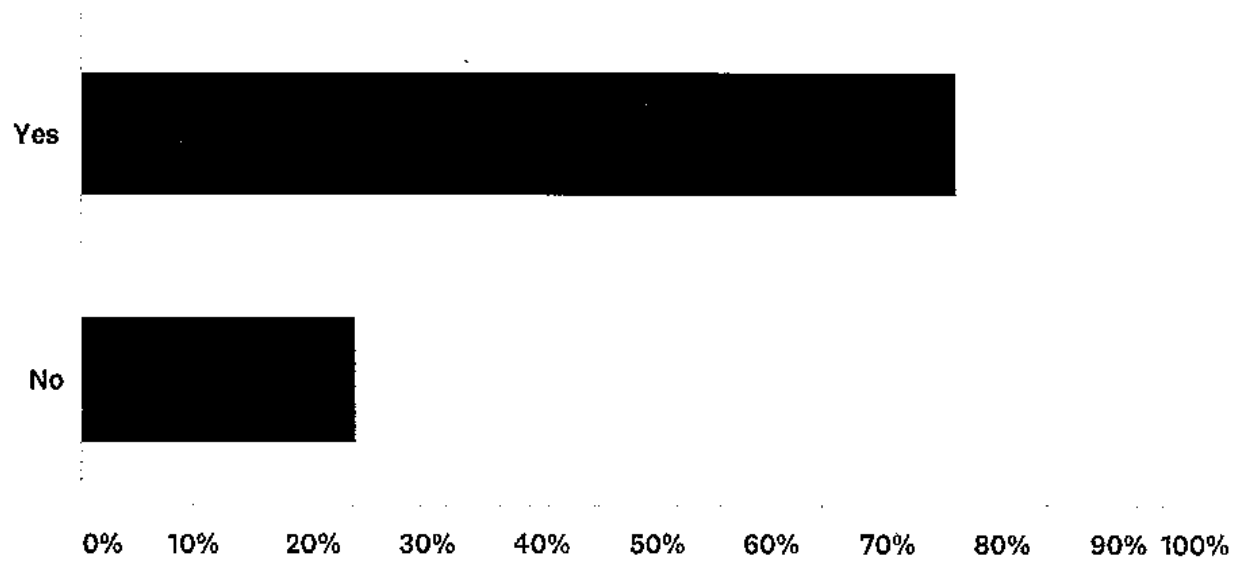
- Public Meeting in regards to information pertaining to the deer population in the City of Dryden and to provide the Public with the opportunity for input regarding the issue, was held on January 18, 2012
- 2012 – Inspector Glenister acknowledged the increase in the deer population within the City of Dryden over the last several years. He explained how the City is zoned in the Firearms By-law with Zone 1 being the former Town of Dryden where the discharge of firearms is not allowed and Zone 2 being the former Township of Barclay where firearms may be discharged except in a few areas. The size of the property owned determines the type of firearm allowed to be used. He provided concerns about opening up Zone 1 to hunting and compared Dryden's current by-laws to the new one implemented in Kenora. He offered practical solutions such as educating the public about the current by-laws and that hunting is allowed in certain areas of Dryden, reminding people not to feed the wildlife and to plant flowers that don't attract deer.

Current Situation and Committee

- 2017 a City of Dryden Deer Committee was created to look at past and current concerns and try to address some possible solutions
- Committee members: 6 City of Dryden residents applied, Erin Trist employee of the City of Dryden, Inspector Ann Tkachyk of the Dryden Police Service, S/Cst. Cody Fedorchuk By-Law Enforcement Officer for the City of Dryden and Michelle Glena & Jill VanWallegham of the Ministry of Natural Resources
- 2017 Deer Committee issued a City of Dryden Deer Survey to residents of Dryden, over 600 respondents to the survey during a month long period. The results of the Survey are:

Q1 Do you believe there is a problem with Urban Deer in Dryden?

Answered: 590 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES

RESPONSES

Yes

76.10%

449

No

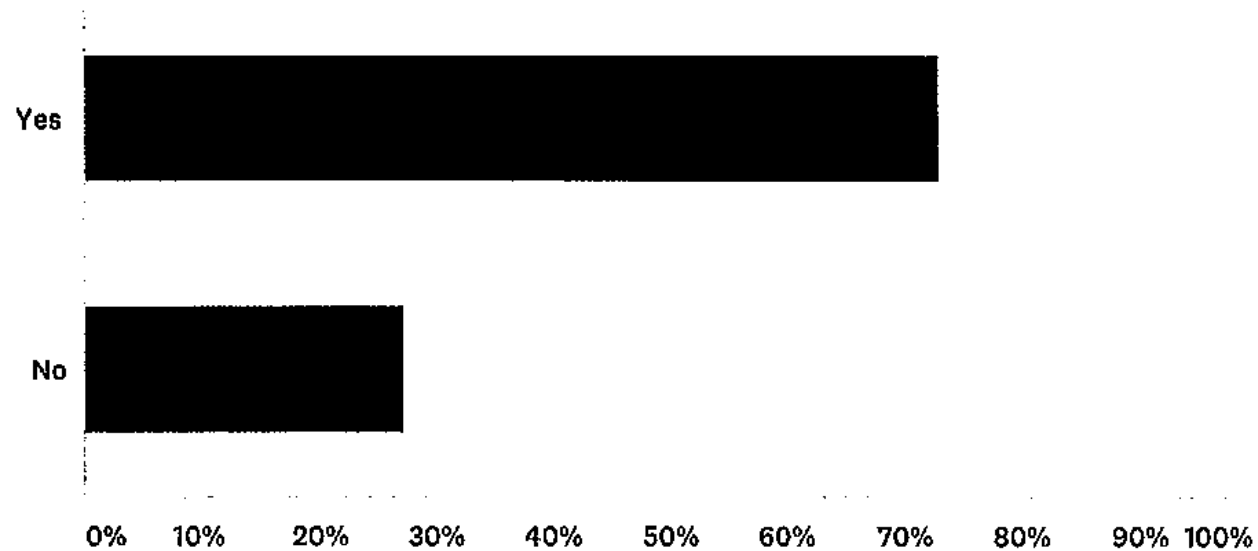
23.90%

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Total Respondents: 590

Q2 Would you like the Urban Deer population in Dryden reduced?

Answered: 587 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES

Yes

No

Total Respondents: 587

RESPONSES

72.91%

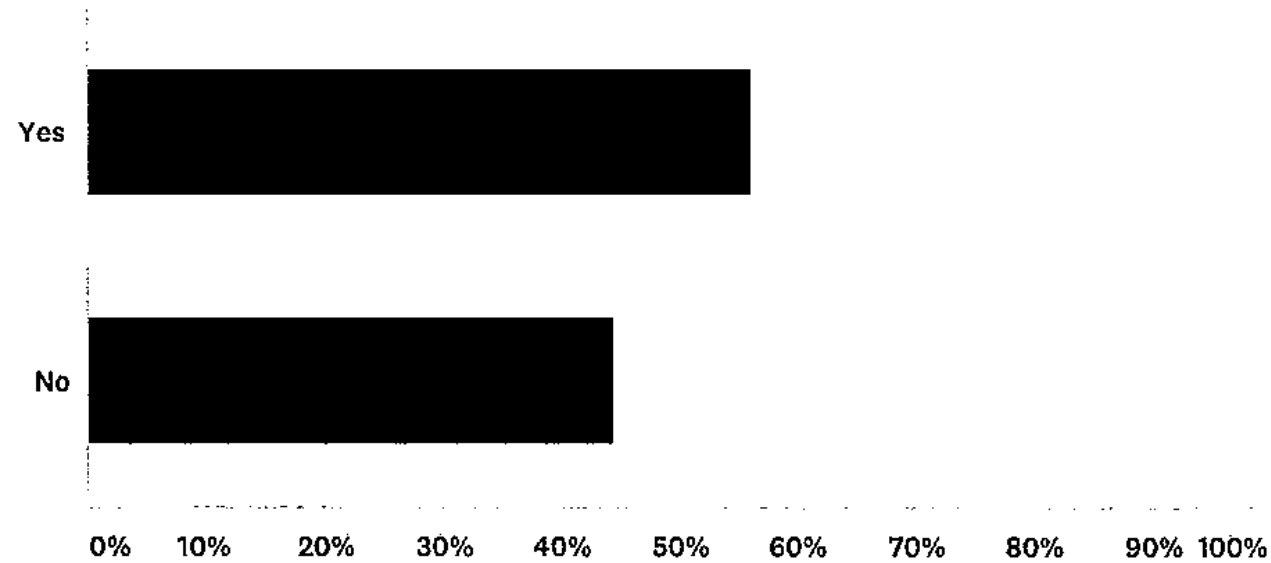
27.26%

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Q3 Are you aware that a by-law currently exists to hunt on a certain sized property within the City of Dryden limits?

Answered: 587 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES

Yes

No

Total Respondents: 587

RESPONSES

56.05%

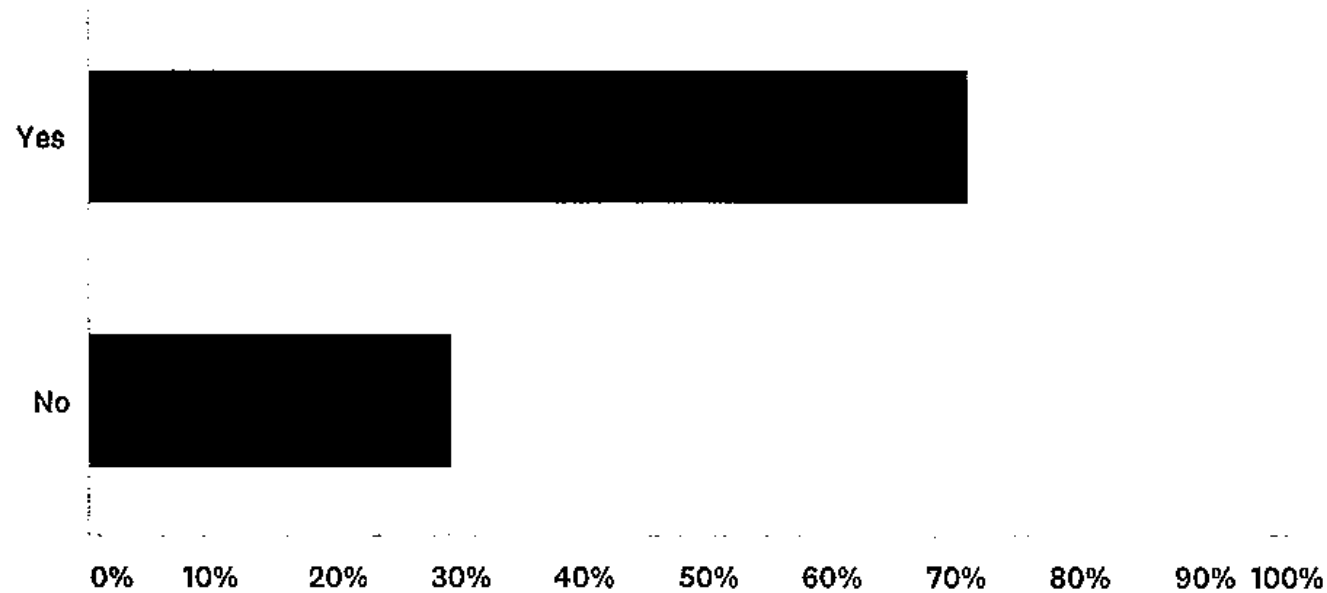
44.29%

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Q4 Do you believe that the City of Dryden Council should be responsible for addressing Urban Deer concerns?

Answered: 587 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES

Yes

No

Total Respondents: 587

RESPONSES

71.21%

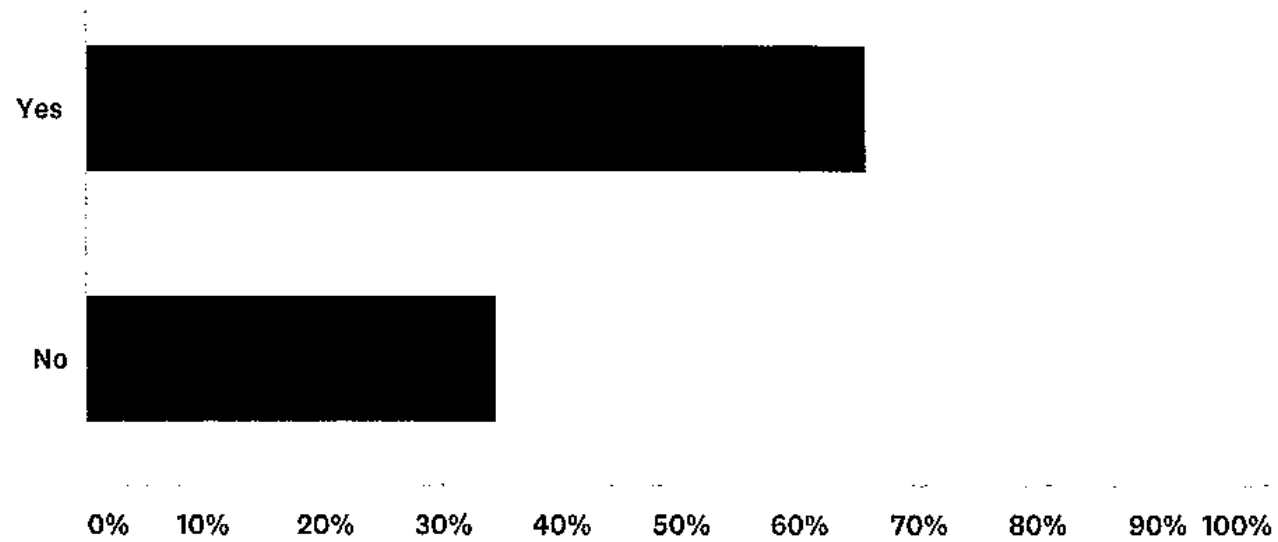
29.30%

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Q5 Do you want the Urban Deer population removed from the City of Dryden?

Answered: 582 Skipped: 8



ANSWER CHOICES

Yes

No

Total Respondents: 582

RESPONSES

65.64%

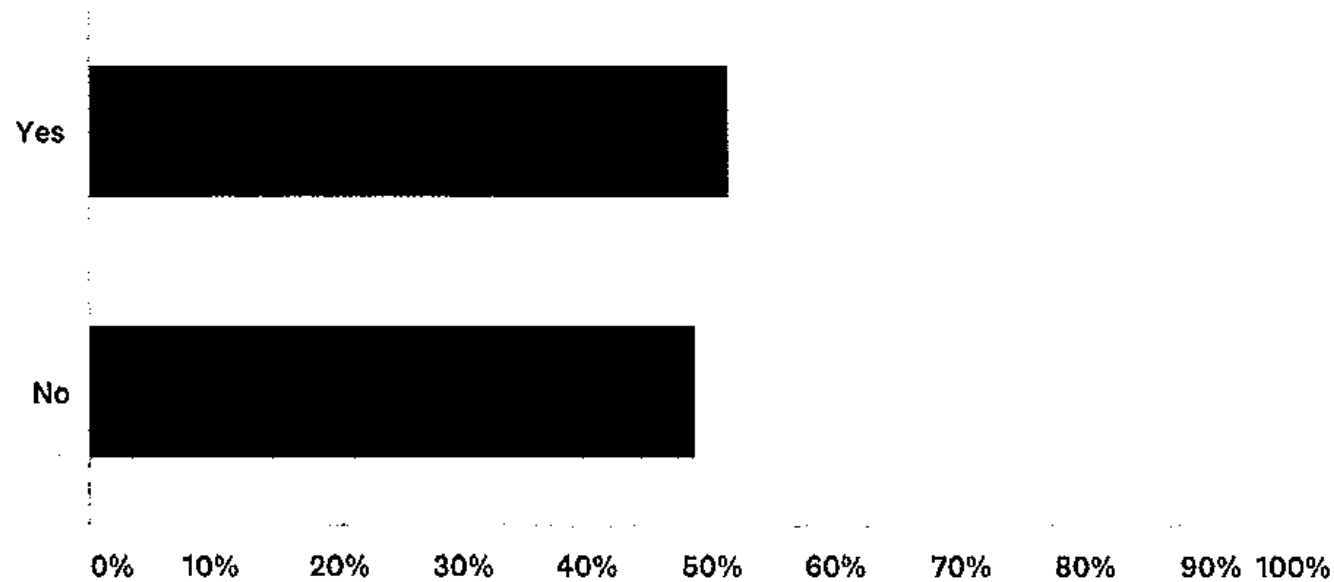
34.54%

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Q6 Are you willing to use Tax Dollars to address any identified Urban Deer concerns?

Answered: 588 Skipped: 2



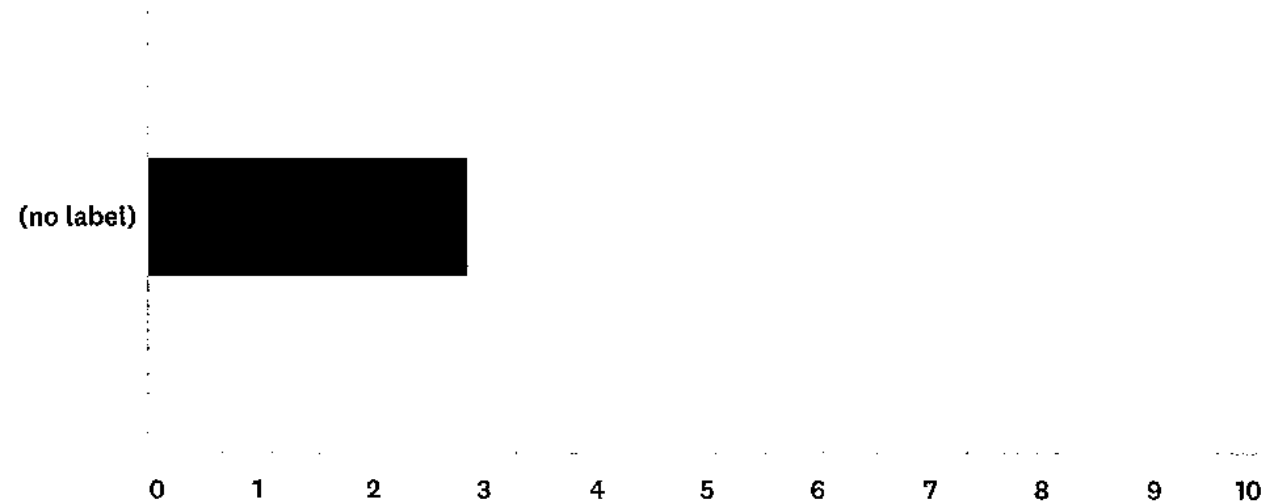
ANSWER CHOICES

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	51.36%	302
No	48.81%	287

Total Respondents: 588

Q7 What is your main concern regarding the Urban Deer population in the City of Dryden?

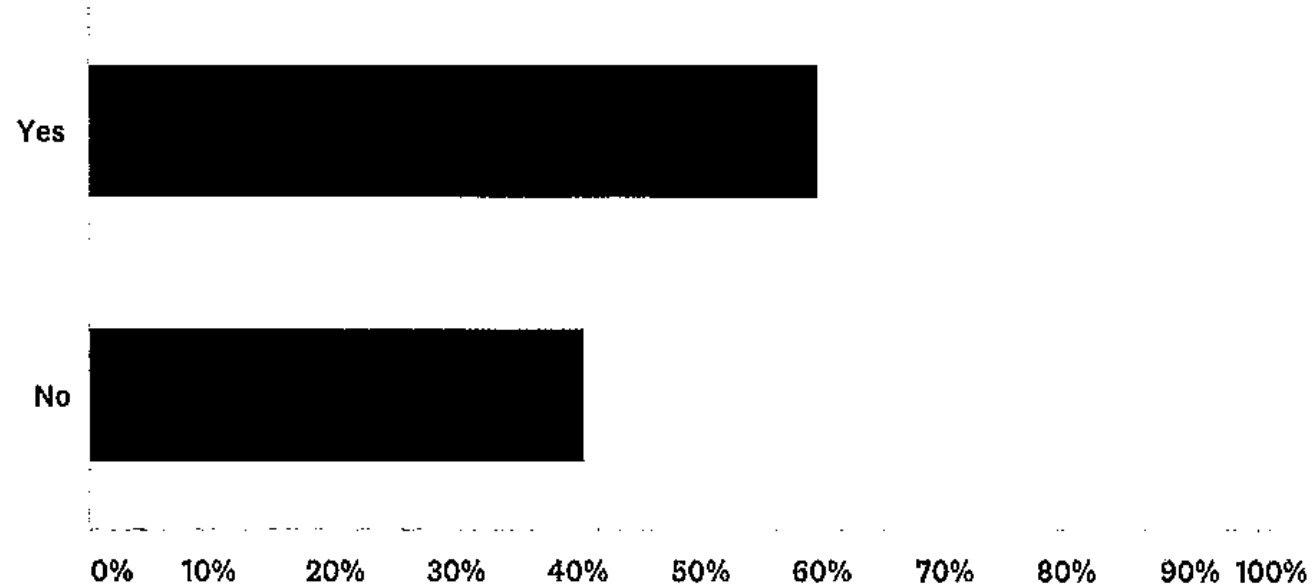
Answered: 573 Skipped: 17



	DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY	DEER ATTACKING PEOPLE	DEER TRANSMITTING DISEASE	DEER AS A TRAFFIC HAZARD	NO CONCERNS	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
(no label)	38.92% 223	5.24% 30	4.89% 28	31.41% 180	19.55% 112	573	2.87

Q8 Are you aware of Citizens that feed the Deer in the City of Dryden?

Answered: 584 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES

Yes

No

Total Respondents: 584

RESPONSES

59.76%

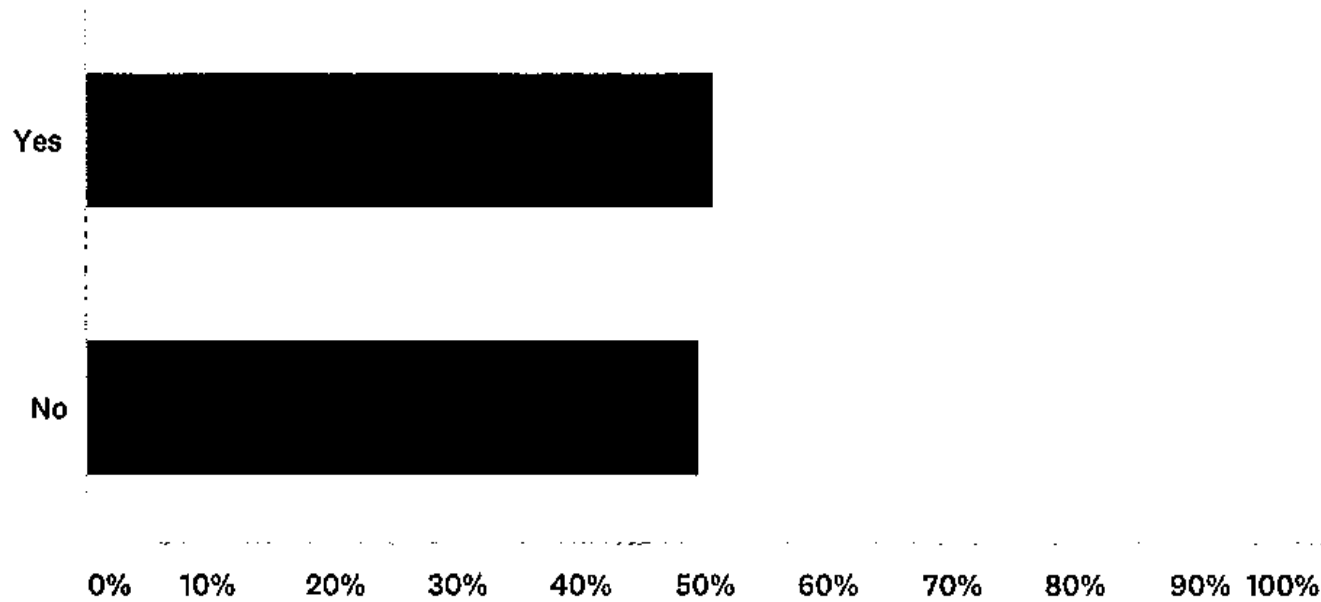
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40.58%

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Q9 Would you report someone illegally feeding the Deer within the City of Dryden?

Answered: 576 Skipped: 14



ANSWER CHOICES

Yes

No

Total Respondents: 576

RESPONSES

50.87%

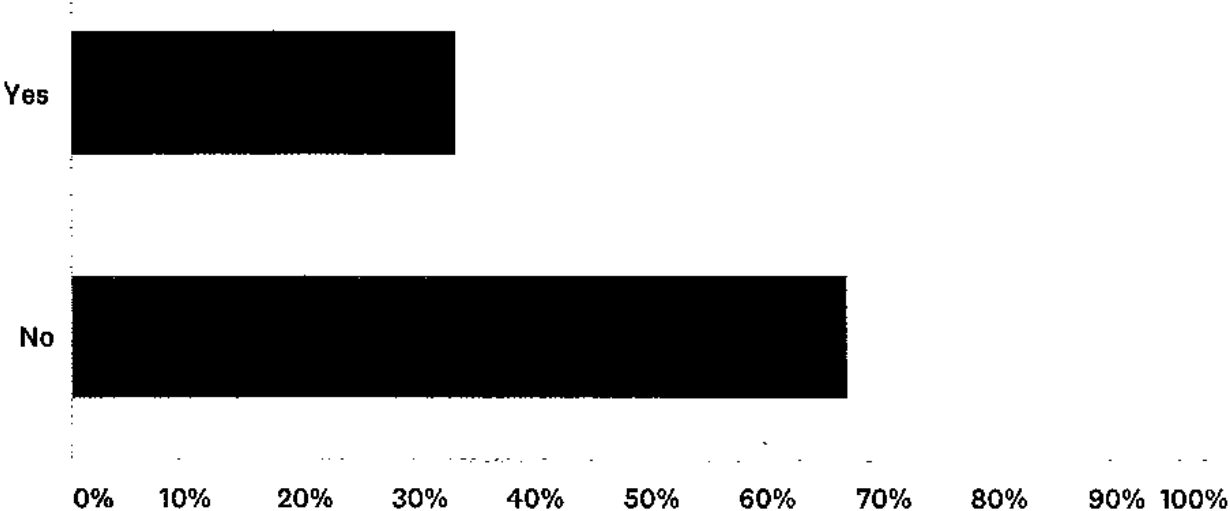
49.65%

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Q10 Would you be willing to appear as a witness in court should someone be charged with feeding the Deer under the City of Dryden by-law and willing to follow through with the process?

Answered: 577 Skipped: 13



ANSWER CHOICES

Yes

No

Total Respondents: 577

RESPONSES

33.28% 192

66.90% 386

2017 Statistics Related to Deer vs Motor Vehicles in the City of Dryden

DRYDEN POLICE SERVICE
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Chief of Police



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2017 Statistics Related To Deer Vs Motor Vehicles

Quarterly	Total motor vehicle collision	Motor vehicle VS DEER
January-March	72	4
April-June	75	2
July-September	80	8
October- December	73	7
Totals	300	21

Location of Collisions

Location	Number of Collisions
Hwy 17	4
Van Horne Avenue	4
Sandy Beach Road	3
Thunder Lake Road	3
Grand Trunk Avenue	1
Duke Street	1
Goodall Street	1
Travis Road	1

Incidents Involving Aggressive Deer-1

Total animals complaints -181

Prepared by S/Cst. Cody Fedorchuk – By Law Enforcement Officer

By-Law Comparison

City of Dryden

§ 81-9. Lawful discharge in Zone 2.

- A. Air rifles, archery tackle and paintball guns may be lawfully used in Firearms Discharge Zone 2, providing the parcel of property on which the firearm is discharged is one acre in size or greater and a secure backstop capable of defeating the projectile is always used.
- B. .22 caliber rim fire rifles and shotguns may be lawfully used in Firearms Discharge Zone 2, providing the parcel of property on which the firearm is discharged is 30 acres in size or greater.
- C. Centre fire rifles may lawfully be used in Firearms Discharge Zone 2, providing the "parcel of property" on which the firearm is discharged is 60 acres in size or greater.

City of Kenora

Now Therefore The Corporation of the City of Kenora enacts as follows:

1. By-law 148-2010 is hereby amended to authorize an extension to the areas in which deer hunting is allowed within City limits, for the period in which it is permitted within the provincially designated deer hunting season as established annually by the Ministry of Natural Resources, with the following restrictions:
 - i) Hunting shall be restricted to hunting of deer only south of Highway 17A (the By-pass);
 - ii) Firearms authorized to be used for hunting within City limits south of the by-pass shall be restricted to archery equipment as defined per the rules and regulations of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act;
 - iii) Hunters eligible to hunt within City limits south of Highway 17A (the By-pass) shall be restricted to those eligible to hunt under the Resident-Open Season, as defined within the Ontario hunting regulations;
 - iv) Hunters shall have all required licenses and courses and comply with the rules and regulations as set out in the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act and adhere to all related Provincial and Federal statutes;
 - v) Hunting shall only be permitted on parcels of land of an area of five (5) acres (metric equivalent is 2.023428 hectares) or greater;
 - vi) Hunting shall be prohibited on all City owned land;
 - vii) Hunting shall only take place on either crown land or private property which lies within the designated hunting areas and related size restrictions;

Recommendations:

- 2019 Deer Education to be promoted in the City of Dryden (Resources to be provided by the Ministry of Natural Resources) to help with residence awareness of Wildlife within the City of Dryden
- Feeding Wildlife By-Law Enforcement Blitz
- Pumpkin Drive (City of Dryden partnership with the Dryden Rotary Club)