

2018 Community Survey

Data collected between January 17th and February 16th 2018

1 I generally feel safe in the City of Bathurst.	Strongly agree 42.4%	Agree 50.9%	Disagree 5.8%	Strongly disagree 1.0%	
2 The Bathurst Police Force effectively responds to calls for service.	Strongly agree 40.6%	Agree 54.3%	Disagree 3.8%	Strongly disagree 1.4%	
3 The Bathurst Police Force effectively enforces the law and keeps order.	Strongly agree 32.7%	Agree 57.1%	Disagree 7.1%	Strongly disagree 3.1%	
4 Bathurst Police Force members act in a professional manner.	Strongly agree 36.4%	Agree 54.8%	Disagree 6.5%	Strongly disagree 2.4%	
5 The public should take more responsibility for crime control and programs in their area.	Strongly agree 30.6%	Agree 50.7%	Disagree 16.3%	Strongly disagree 2.4%	
6 Police do not spend enough time educating the public on how to reduce crime.	Strongly agree 12.3%	Agree 51.9%	Disagree 33.8%	Strongly disagree 2.1%	
Police time would be better spent on law enforcement and investigation than on crime prevention and community tasks.	Strongly agree 6.8%	Agree 28.6%	Disagree 55.4%	Strongly disagree 9.2%	
8 Crime in Bathurst is more serious than newspapers, television and radio let on.	Strongly agree 14.4%	Agree 43.6%	Disagree 36.4%	Strongly disagree 5.5%	
9 Violence in the home is a problem in Bathurst.	Strongly agree 12.4%	Agree 55.3%	Disagree 30.6%	Strongly disagree 1.7%	
10 Police are informed and sensitive when they work with the victims of domestic violence.	Strongly agree 10.1%	Agree 74.1%	Disagree 14.0%	Strongly disagree 1.8%	
11 Police and the public should work together to try and prevent domestic violence.	Strongly agree 45.2%	Agree 50.0%	Disagree 4.1%	Strongly disagree 0.7%	
12 What do you think the crime rate in Bathurst is this year compared to last year?	More crime 41.3%	About the same amount of crime 43.0%	Less crime 3.4%	Unsure 12.3%	
13 How safe do you feel walking alone after dark in Bathurst?	Very safe 19.2%	Relatively safe 48.3%	Somewhat unsafe 26.0%	Very unsafe 6.5%	
How much do you worry if you have to leave your home/apartment/room unattended yet locked for more than a few hours?	Not at all 42.9%	Some 40.5%	Much 9.9%	Very much 6.8%	
15 Have you been the victim of any crime in the past 5 years?	Yes 25.6%	No 74.4%			
16 How strongly do you consider homes or businesses being broken in to a problem in your area?	Big problem 37.2%	Somewhat a problem 48.6%	No problem 14.1%		
17 How strongly do you feel traffic violations to be a problem in your area?	Big problem 47.1%	Somewhat a problem 40.3%	No problem 12.6%		
18 How strongly do you feel vandalism or property damage is a problem in your area?	Big problem 22.9%	Somewhat a problem 50.2%	No problem 27.0%		
19 How strongly do you feel drug use and drug trafficking is a problem in your area?	Big problem 51.9%	Somewhat a problem 31.3%	No problem 16.8%		
20 How strongly do you feel that fighting among different groups is a problem in your area?	Big problem 9.3%	Somewhat a problem 33.6%	No problem 57.2%		
21 How strongly do you feel that noisy parties, quarrels and loud music is a problem in your area?	Big problem 4.1%	Somewhat a problem 19.4%	No problem 76.5%		
How strongly do you feel that people loitering around streets and buildings is a problem in your area?	Big problem 8.2%	Somewhat a problem 35.4%	No problem 56.5%		



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How strongly do you feel people being physically injured/assaulted as victims of crimes is a problem in your area?	Big problem 5.5%	Somewhat a problem 46.4%	No problem 48.1%		
24 Over the past 5 years has your attitude toward the police :	Changed 27.7%	Remained the same 72.4%			
25 If your attitude towards police has changed over the past 5 years how has it changed?	Increased positively 18.8%	Increased negatively 16.0%	Not applicable 65.3%		
26 If your attitude has increased positively, what would you attribute it to?	A good personal contact or experience 21.9%	Media coverage 10.0%	A friend or relatives 6.9% experience with police	Involvement in community programs with police 10.0%	Other 51.2%
27 If your attitude towards police has changed negatively, what would you attribute it to?	A poor personal contact with police 6.9%	Media coverage 12.9%	A friend or relatives experience with police 8.5%	A lack of involvement in police community 5.7% programs	Other 66.1%