



Alder Bay Replacement Dock Design



Consultation Summary

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Background:

- The aged wooden dock for launching non-motorized watercraft in Alder Bay was built over 35 years old and needs replacing. This is an opportunity to design a dock that is universally accessible and meets the needs of all users.
- The Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation staff and consultant team have been working on a new dock design with CMHC Granville Island, False Creek Community Association, paddlers, rowers and residents.
- The estimated cost to replace the dock is \$2 to \$3 million, some of the funding needed for the project may be considered in the next Capital Plan 2019–2022.

Overview of Engagement Activities:

- The Project Partners, CMHC Granville Island and the False Creek Community Centre Association, met with the project team on several occasions (November 24, 2016, February 9, 2017, March 28, 2017, September 26, 2017, April 19, 2018 and May 17, 2018) providing valuable background information, programming history, and input on the draft concept plans.
- Stakeholder workshops were held to gather input from user groups on their needs, identify opportunities, and draft a vision statement (December 7, 2017); followed by presentation and feedback on draft concept plans June 7, 2018.
- The proposed Alder Bay replacement dock design was presented at a public information event July 17, 2018 and the community was asked to provide feedback and complete a questionnaire (see the next page for more information about the workshops and public information event).
- A total of 332 respondents completed the questionnaire which was available in the following ways:
 - A paper version of the questionnaire, made available at an open house event that took place on July 17, 2018;
 - Open invitation to the general public on the project page for the Alder Bay Replacement Dock Design (on vancouver.ca);
 - Flyer notification of the event and online questionnaire mailed to over **3000** area residents;
 - An email invitations including **1266** Talk Vancouver members who recently completed at least one of the three engagement surveys for the On Water Non-Motorized Boating Strategy.

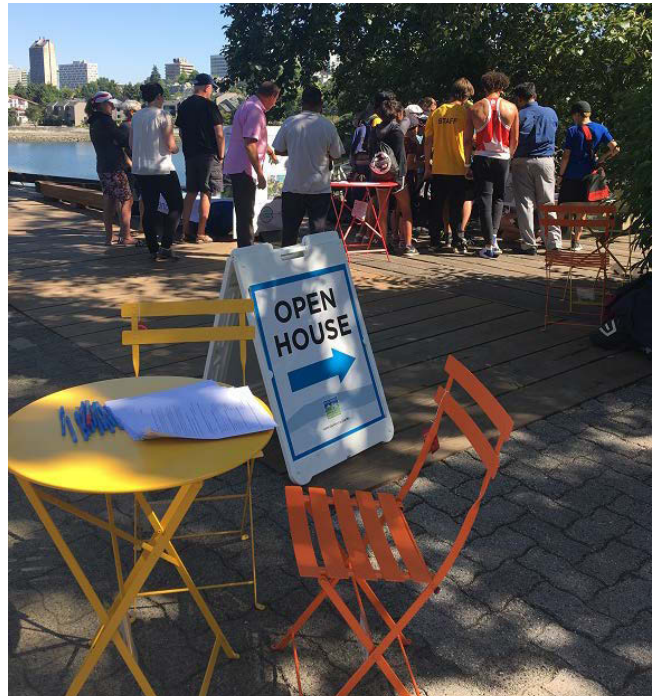
Who did we hear from during the public online survey?

- We heard from 332 respondents; more were male (51%) than female (46%).
- The majority of respondents (65%) participate in non-motorized watercraft activities, such as sailing, paddling or rowing and an additional 16% are interested in participating.
- We heard from people across the age spectrum, most respondents were over 50 years of age (61%)
- The majority of respondents either live in the area (25%) or belong to a club that uses the dock (28%).

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- **Stakeholder workshops.** Two stakeholder workshops were held with representatives from the False Creek Community Centre, CMHC, False Creek Racing Canoe Club, Ecomarine, False Creek Rowing Club, Youth Flatwater Team, and the Off-Balance Dragon Boat Team.
- Input was gathered from user groups to identify their needs, identify opportunities, and draft a vision statement on Dec. 7, 2017. They provided feedback on draft concept plans during the second workshop, held June 7, 2018.
- **Public Information Event.** The proposed Alder Bay replacement dock design was presented at a public information event July 17, 2018. Over 60 people attended the public information event held in Sutcliffe Park next to the Alder Bay dock and False Creek Community Centre.
- Event attendees were encouraged to note their thoughts on yellow stickies' and complete the questionnaire, which was also available online July 17 to July 31, 2018.



Summary of Results



Dock Design

Over three-quarters of respondents (77%) liked the proposed dock design.

The majority of respondents (82%) liked the six objectives guiding the design of the dock: safe, accessible, functional, durable, expandable, and environmentally-sensitive.

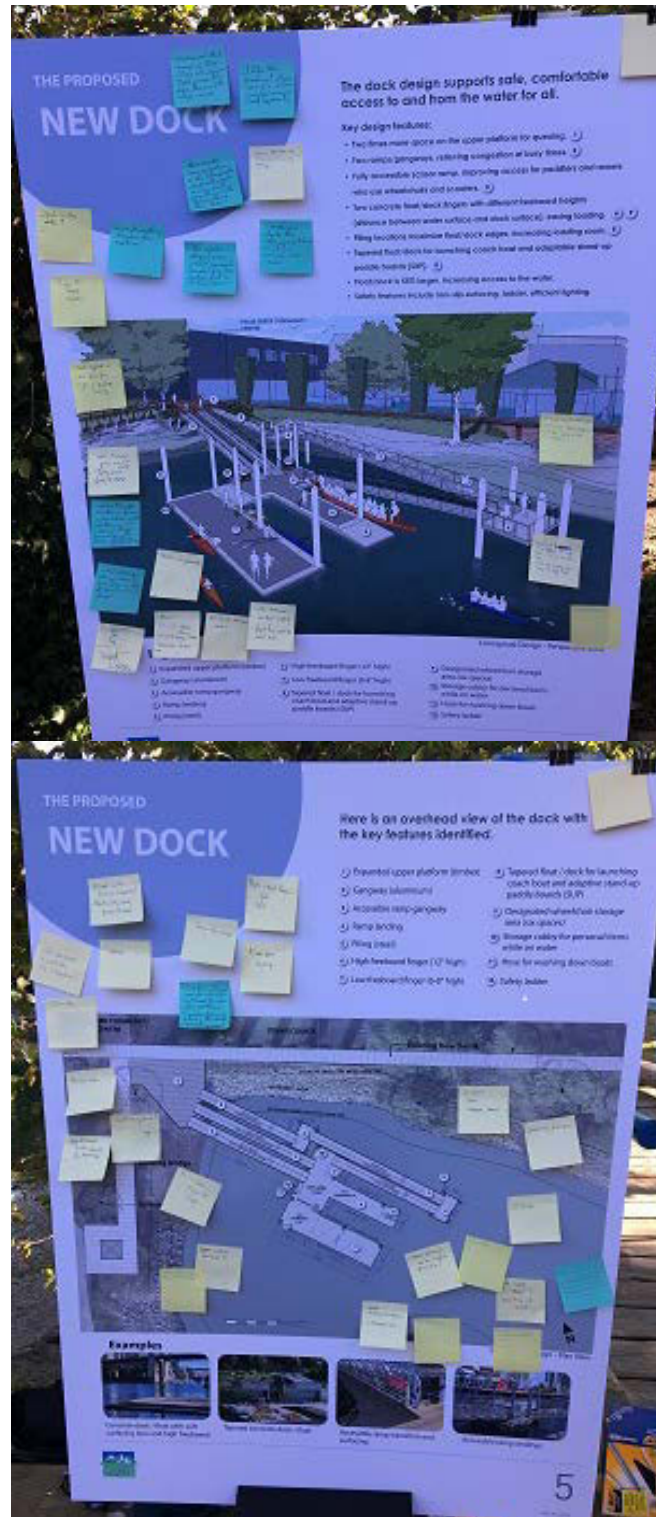
When asked to pick the three dock design features that most appeal to them, 44% of respondents liked the increased size, 35% liked the two-finger layout, 30% liked the two gangways (one exit and one entry ramp). Another 33% said they like all the features.

Dock Use and Future Use

The dock is used most frequent during the spring/summer months with one-third using the dock several times a week. Nearly one-quarter of the respondents use the dock several times a week in the fall/winter.

The majority of respondents (65%) participate in non-motorized watercraft activities. The skill level of most participants is either intermediate (41%) or advanced (40%) and most launch dragon boats (46%) and outrigger canoes (33%) from Alder Bay dock.

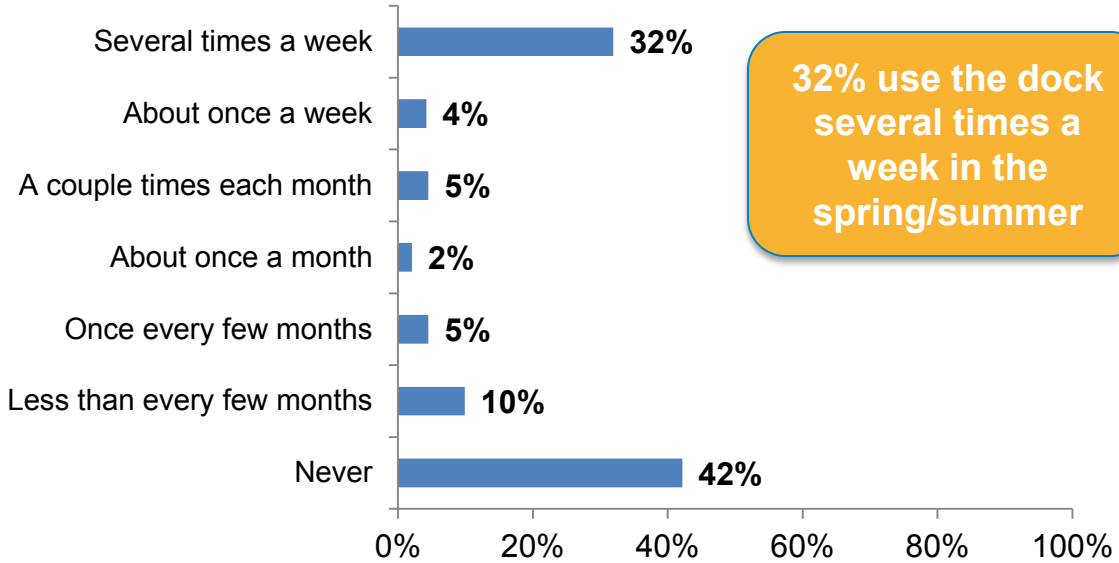
Nearly one-third of respondents (30%) think they will use the dock more often once it is updated and 44% said they will continue to use the new dock as often as they use the existing dock.



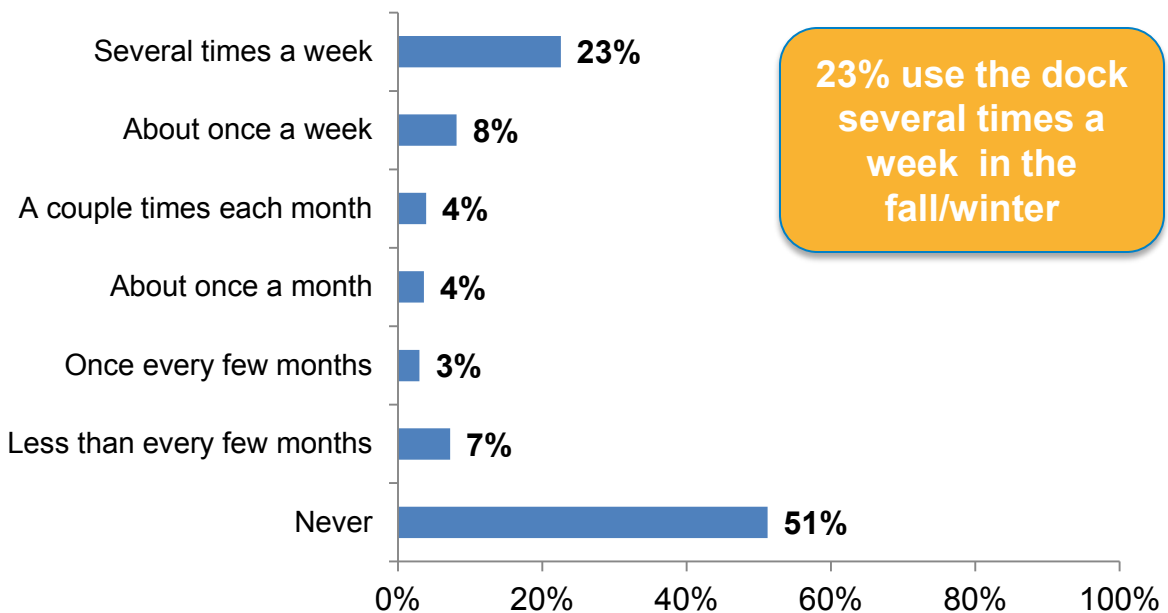
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On average, how often do you use the Alder Bay dock in the Spring/Summer?



On average, how often do you use the Alder Bay dock in the Fall/Winter?

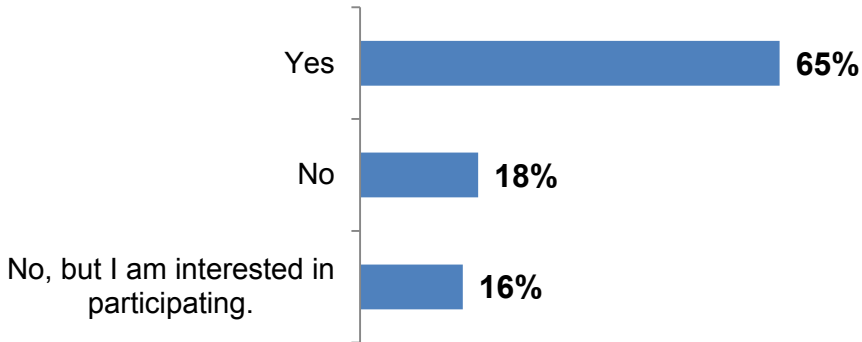


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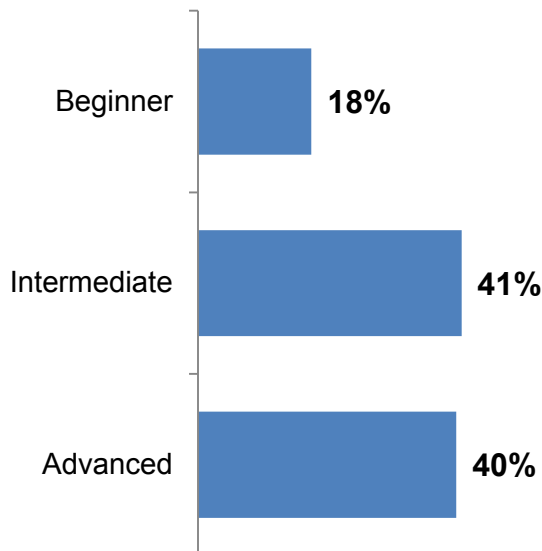


Do you participate in non-motorized watercraft activities, such as sailing, paddling or rowing?



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What would you say your skill level is with the non-motorized watercraft you most often use?

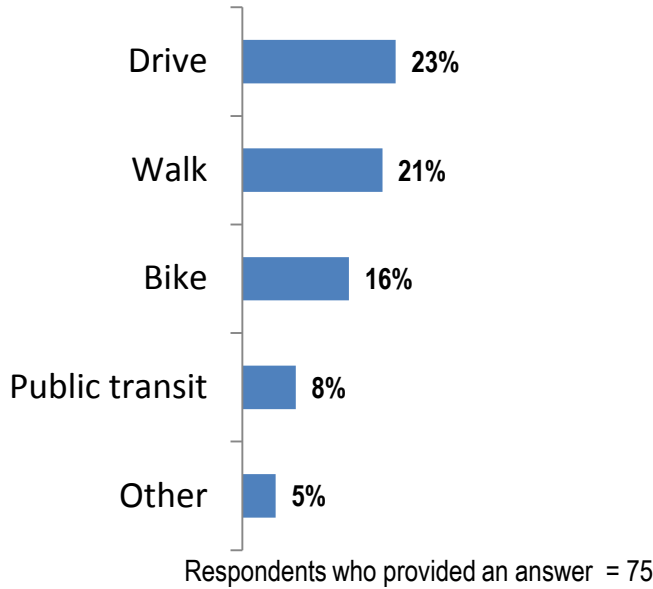


Respondents who provided an answer = 245

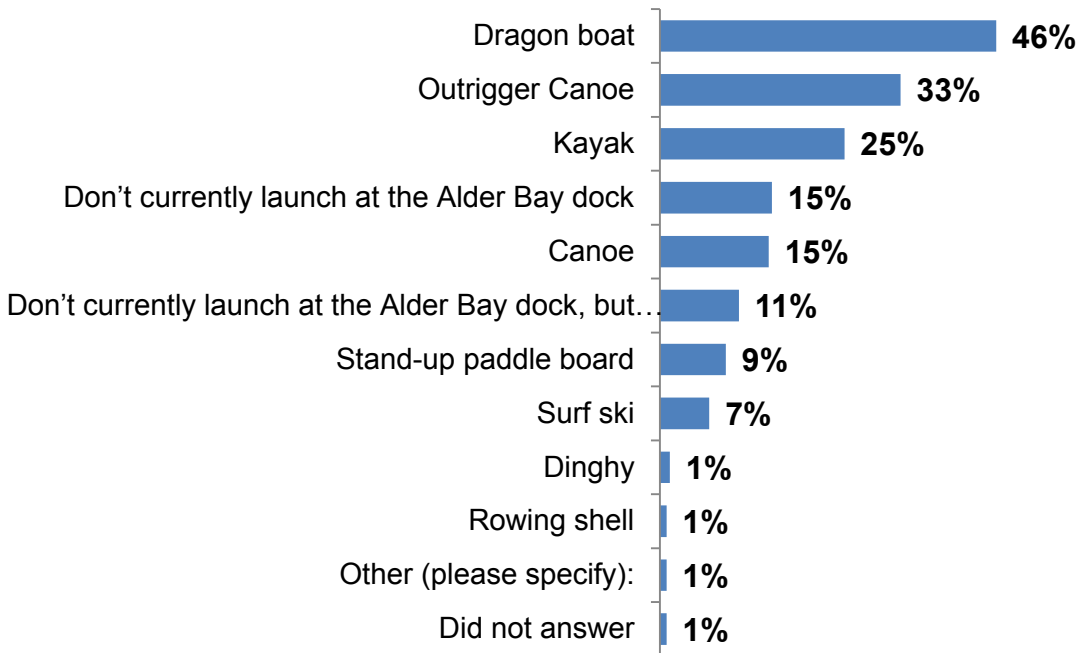
The majority of respondents travel to the dock by car (23%); the next most popular mode of travel is walking at 21%. Once participants arrive, close to half launch dragon boats (46%) followed by outrigger canoes.



How do you usually get to Alder Bay dock?



What type of watercraft do you launch at the Alder Bay dock?

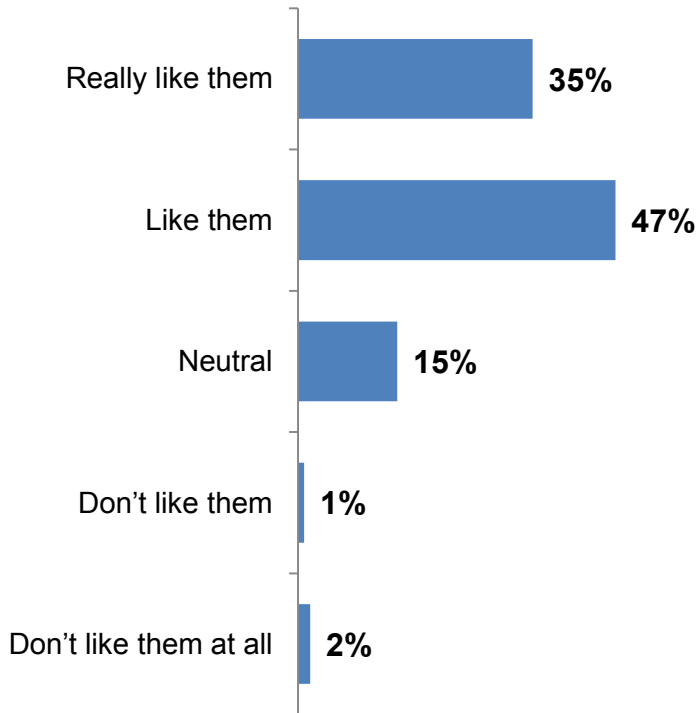


Respondents who provided an answer = 222

The majority of respondents (82%) liked the six objectives guiding the design of the dock: safe, accessible, functional, durable, expandable, and environmentally-sensitive.



Overall, what do you think of the dock design objectives?



82% like the design objectives

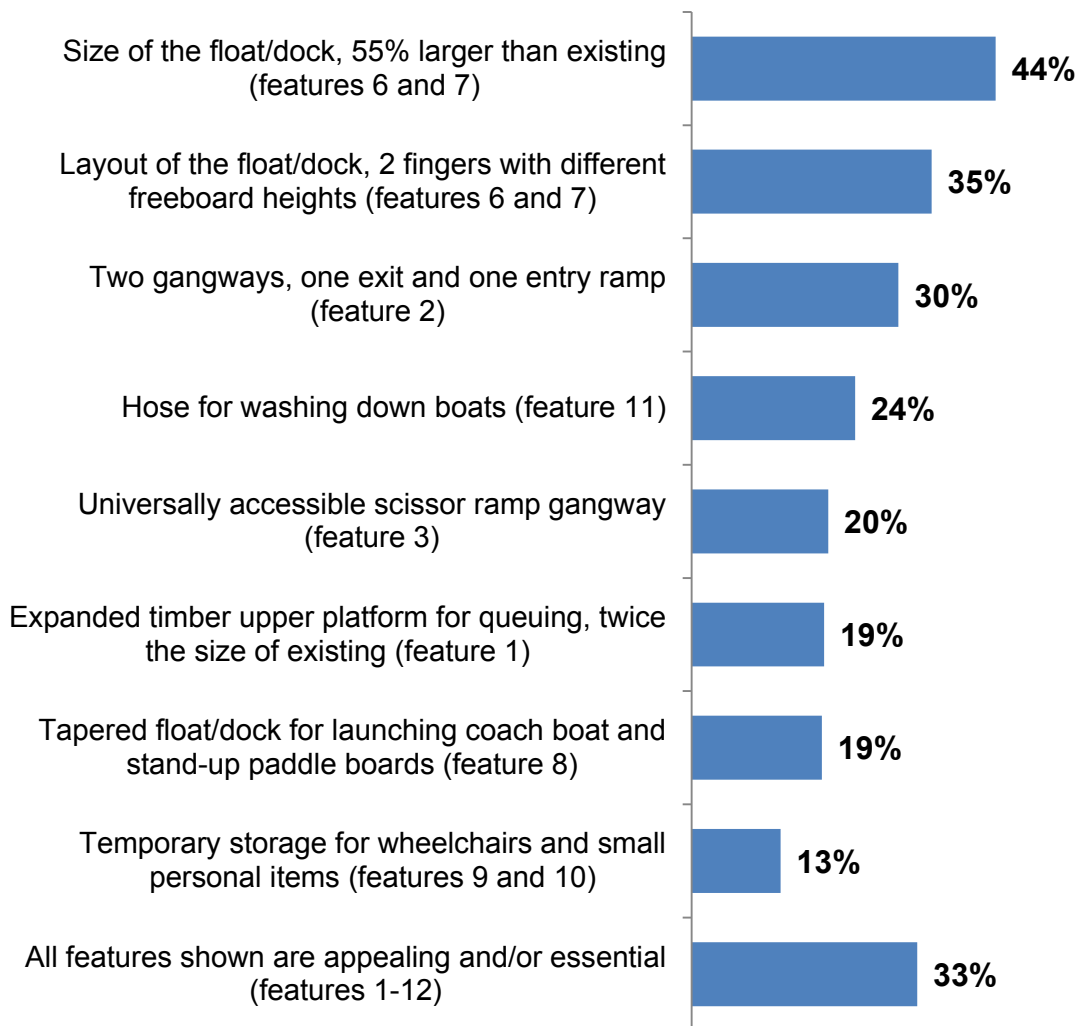
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The three most popular dock design features among respondents were the increased size (44%), followed by the 2 finger layout and presence of 2 gangways.

Another one-third of respondents liked all the features.



What design features are MOST appealing to you?



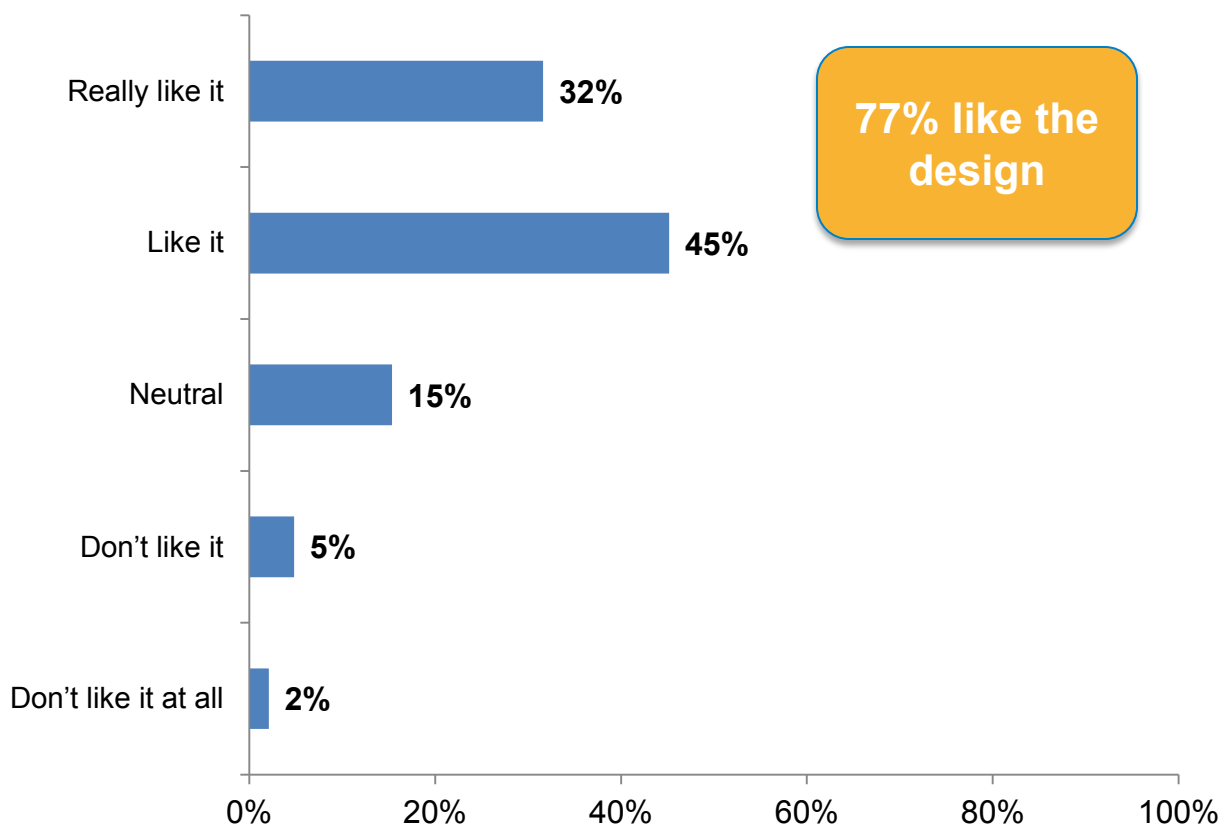
Top 3 individual features

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Overall, over three-quarters of respondents (77%) liked the dock design.



Overall, what do you think of the dock design?

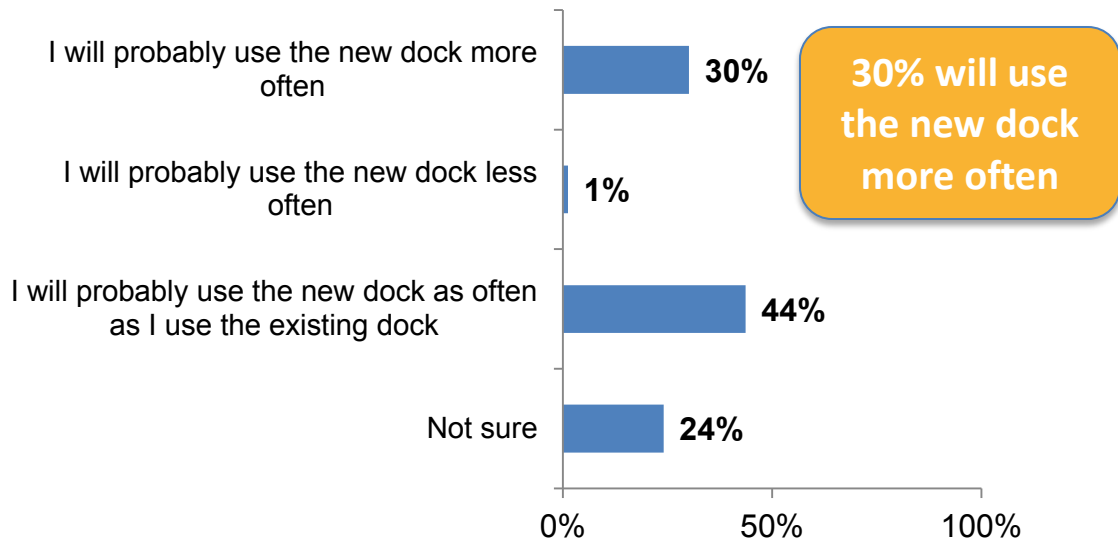


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Nearly one-third of respondents (30%) plan to use the dock more often once it is updated.



Do you think how often you use the dock will change, once it is updated?



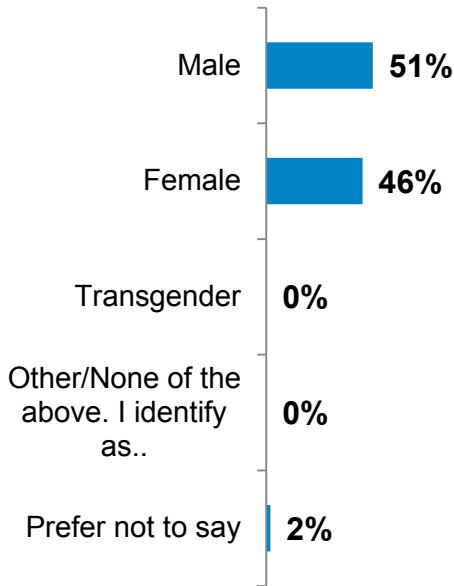
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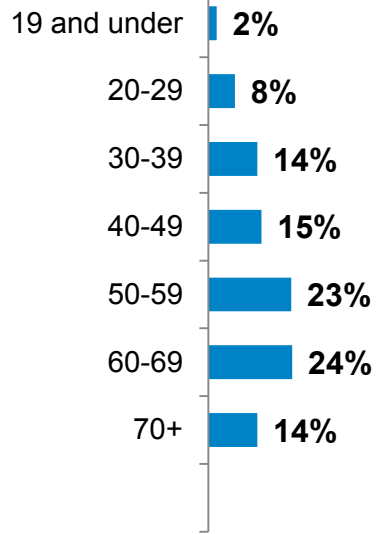
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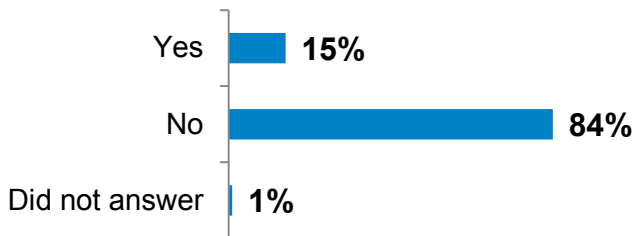
What is your gender?



Which of the following age groups do you belong?



Do you have children under the age of 19 living in your household?

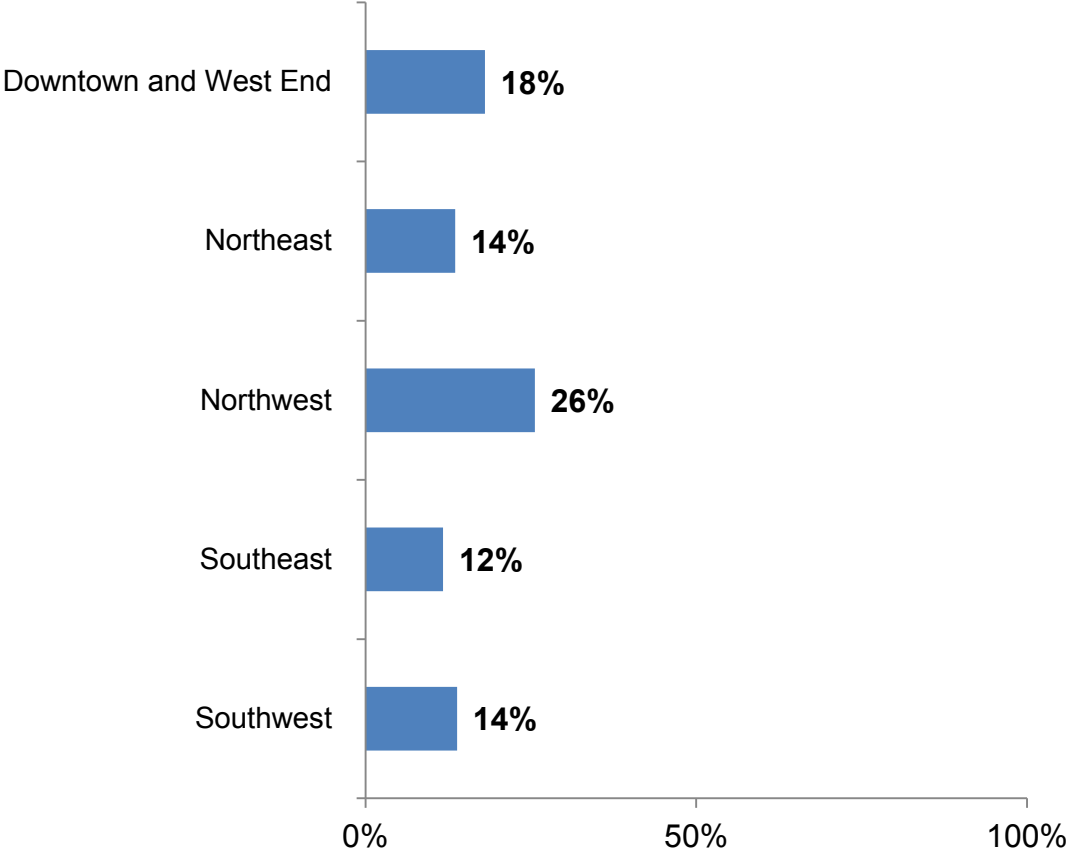


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The majority of respondents (26%) live in the northwest residential area of Vancouver.



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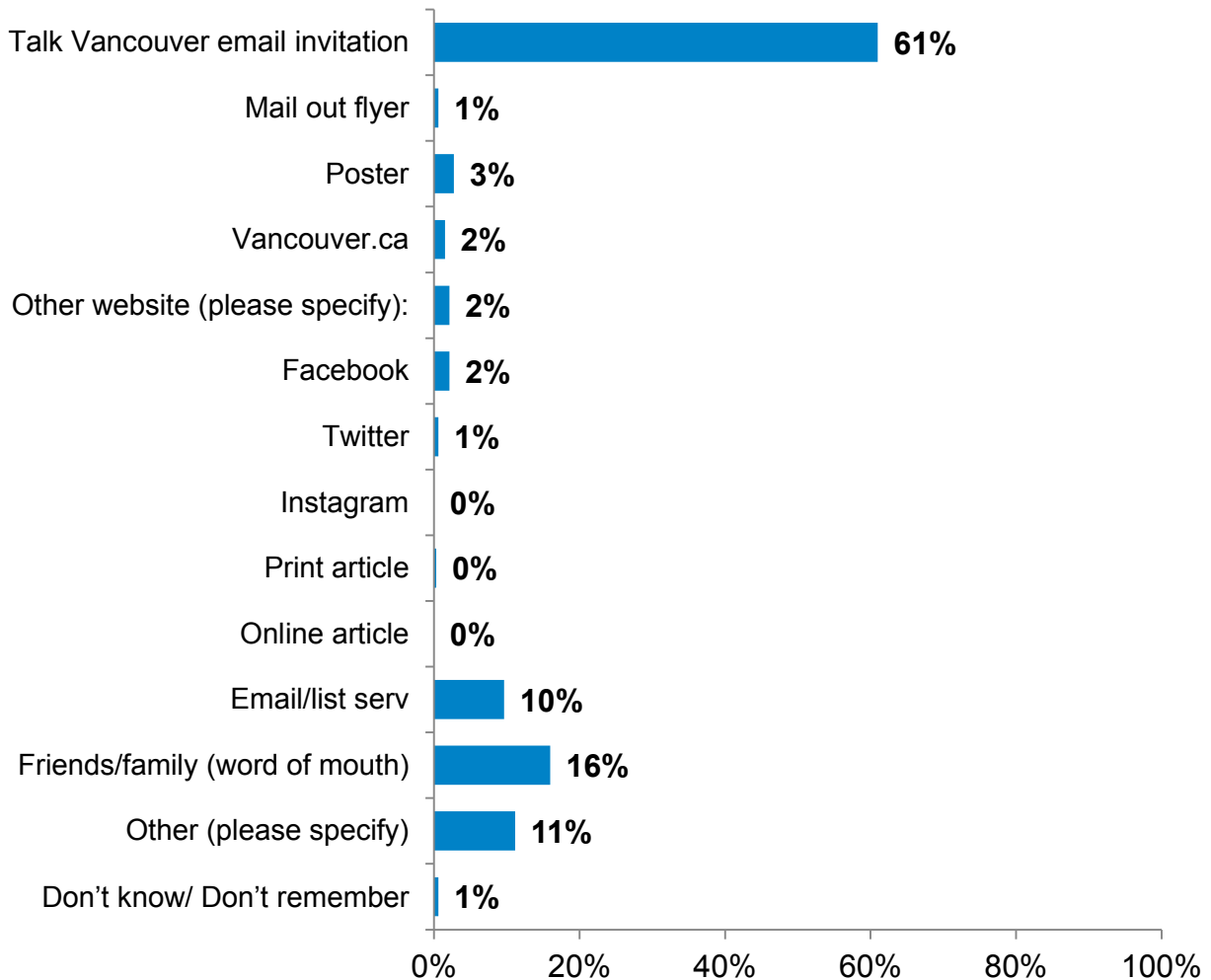


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The majority of respondents heard about the survey from a Talk Vancouver email invitation.



How did you hear about the Alder Bay Dock Design?



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