GUNSHOT ALERT WORKSHOP

Community Survey Analysis

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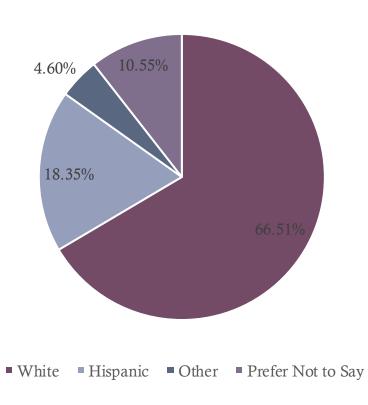
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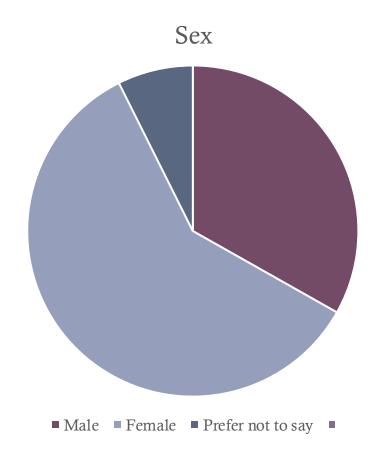
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Education

Selection	Frequency	Percentage
Less than high school	1	0.45
High school graduate	9	4.09
Some college	29	13.18
4 year degree	88	40.00
Graduate Degree	81	36.82
Prefer not to say	12	5.45
Total	220	100

Age

Selection	Frequency	Percentage
18 - 30	15	6.82
31 - 40	48	21.82
41 - 50	42	19.09
Over 50	104	47.27
Prefer not to say	11	5.00
Total	220	100

Employment Status			
Selection	Frequency	Percentage	
Employed	147	67.12	
Unemployed	1	0.46	
Retired	59	26.94	
Student	0	0	
Prefer not to say	12	5.48	
Total	219	100	

Housing Type			
Selection	Frequency	Percentage	
Owner	198	90.41	
Renter	17	7.76	
Other	4	1.83	
Total	219	100	

PUBLIC SAFETY QUESTIONS

Question	Average Response	Most Common Response
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How often do you hear gunshots in your neighborhood?	2.02 (from 1-5)	A few times per month
How concerned are you about gunfire in your neighborhood?	2.66 (from 1-3)	Very concerned

I've had to teach my children a "game" called who-can-get-to-the-floor-fastest. "When you hear the noise, just drop to the floor. Then let's see who can stay here the longest."

They are getting old enough to ask why. Please do something.

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My neighborhood was extremely safe just 4-5 years ago. I could go outside at 3am, leave my door unlocked, go for a walk, come back, no issues, alone. Now? I do not leave the door unlocked when I am home, inside or outside, even if just for a second.. I do not go outside unarmed. I carry everywhere I legally can. Even to check mail in broad daylight.

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How comfortable do you feel calling 911 when you think you hear gunshots?	2.83 (from 1-5)	Neither comfortable nor uncomfortable
When I think I hear gunshots in my neighborhood, I call 911.	3.82 (from 1-5)	Sometimes
How interested are you in learning about a community-based system to reliably detect and locate gunshots?	4.37 (from 1-5)	Very interested

Please select any other technology that you currently use to detect or deter crime.		
Selection Frequency		
None	16	
Outdoor lights	187	
A home security system	98	
An external video camera 100		
A video doorbell (Ring, Nest, etc.)		
Other	25	
Total 221		

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Please select other technologies you use to discuss or report crime in your community.			
Selection Frequency			
Telephone	101		
Text messages	68		
Nextdoor	83		
Other social media	54		
Other	78		
Total	384		

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I might have heard gunfire, but it might also have been firecrackers. I have not heard those sounds near my home, but sometimes in the distance.

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I don't call 911 because I am not positive it is gunshots and have no idea how close it is

TRUST IN & RESPONSE BY THE POLICE QUESTIONS

Question	Average Response	Most Common Response
How satisfied are you with the Austin Police Department's response to the public safety problems of your neighborhood?	3.29 (from 1-5)	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied/ Somewhat dissatisfied
Do you think the police treat gunshot reports in your neighborhood as a priority?	1.51 (from 1-3)	It doesn't seem like a priority for them

I never think to call police cuz I don't have much more info than 'I heard gunshots'. If this technology will help me provide more info for the police like on where it might be located that would be extremely powerful and then I feel like I would be of help and I would call for sure.