

Survey of Noise Disturbances from Excessively Loud Personal Motor Vehicles

Summary of **West Seattle Data**

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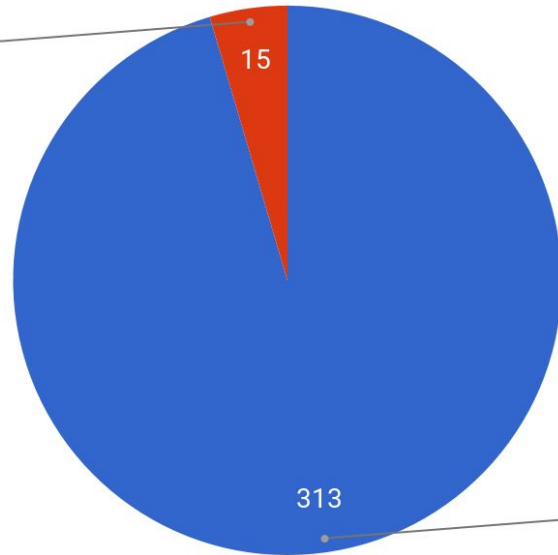
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Overwhelming Majority Affected By Loud Vehicles

Have you been affected by noise disturbances from excessively loud personal motor vehicles (e.g. cars, motorcycles)?

No
4.6%



Yes
95.4%

95% of the 327 West Seattle respondents said that they've been affected by excessively loud personal motor vehicles.

Overview of Summary

- Issued early March 2017
- Issued via Community Councils in West Seattle area, West Seattle Blog
- Goal was to reach 100 submissions by early June
- Received 327 submissions

How have you been affected by IMMEDIATE exposure to excessively loud personal motor vehicles? (check all that apply)

Out of the 313 West Seattle residents who responded "Yes"...

- 88% Annoyed
- 85% Startled in your house
- 78% Can't keep your windows open during the summer
- 73% Startled while walking in your neighborhood
- 72% Awoken during your sleep
- 71% Frustrated, angry
- 64% Kept awake, unable to fall asleep
- 59% Have difficulty having a conversation with someone in your immediate presence
- 57% Startles other members of your family
- 52% Distracted
- 42% Startles your pets

How have you been affected by REPEATED exposure to excessively loud personal motor vehicles? (check all that apply)

Out of the 312 West Seattle residents who responded "Yes"...

74% I feel hopeless, as if no one is paying attention or trying to solve this problem

61% I dread the spring, summer, and early fall months

47% I've thought about confronting those who cause the noise disturbances

42% I avoid being seated at outdoor seating at restaurants

30% I don't like walking outside

How do you feel during months that attract excessively loud personal motor vehicles? (check all that apply)

Out of the 311 West Seattle residents who responded “Yes”...

- 64% I have worse sleep
- 63% I feel angrier and more frustrated
- 59% I'm more irritable
- 52% I have higher stress levels
- 47% I feel anxiety or generally uncomfortable

What steps have you taken to solve the problem of noise disturbances from excessively loud personal motor vehicles? (check all that apply)

Out of the 313 West Seattle residents who responded "Yes"...

46% I've called the police to complain

21% I've recorded (video, sound, took notes) loud cars as they drive by

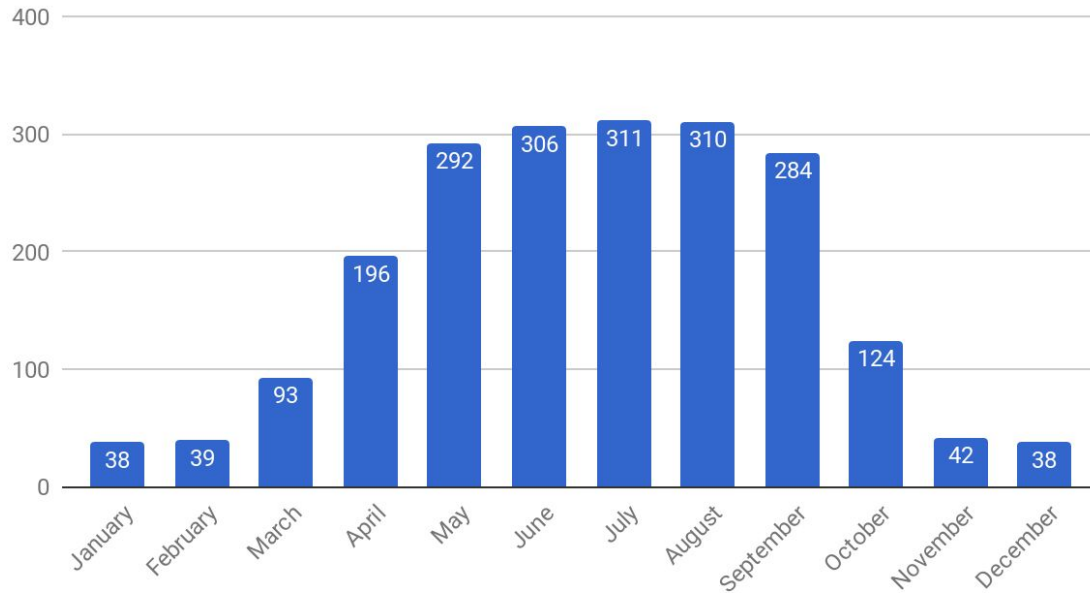
19% I've raise the matter to my community council

19% I've written or called my councilmember to complain

17% I've confronted drivers who cause the noise disturbances

Noise Disturbance Half of the Year

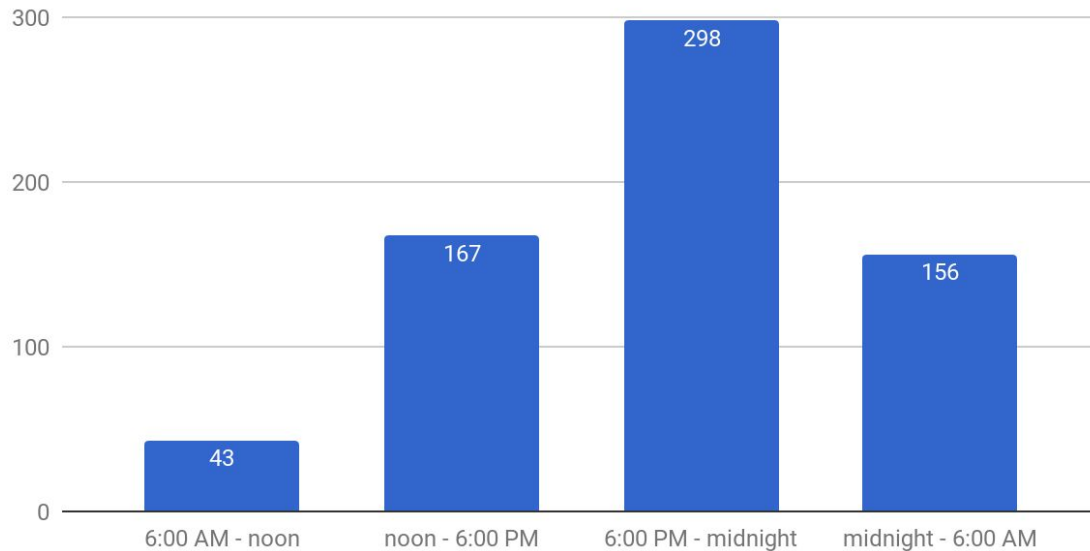
of Survey Responders and What Month(s) They Hear Noise Disturbances



A majority of the West Seattle residents who responded to the survey **experience noise disturbance at least half of the year**--from late spring to early fall.

Noise Disturbance Most of the Day

of Survey Responders and What Time(s) of Day They Hear Noise Disturbances

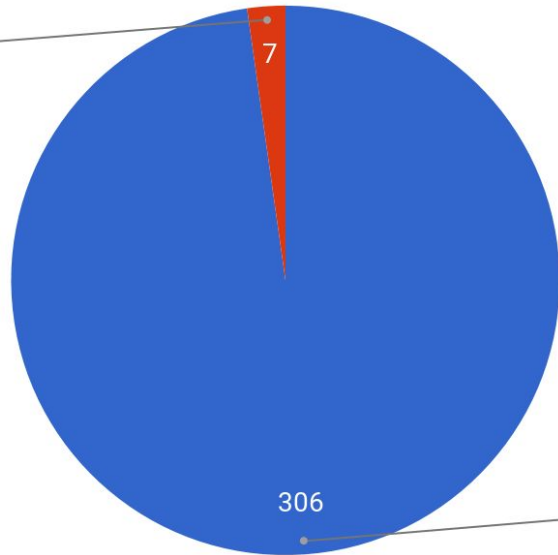


At least half of the West Seattle residents who responded to the survey **experience noise disturbance at least half of the day**--from noon to 6:00 AM.

Wants a Solution

Do you want the city (City Council, Police Department) to work on a solution to the problem of excessively loud personal motor vehicles?

No
2.2%

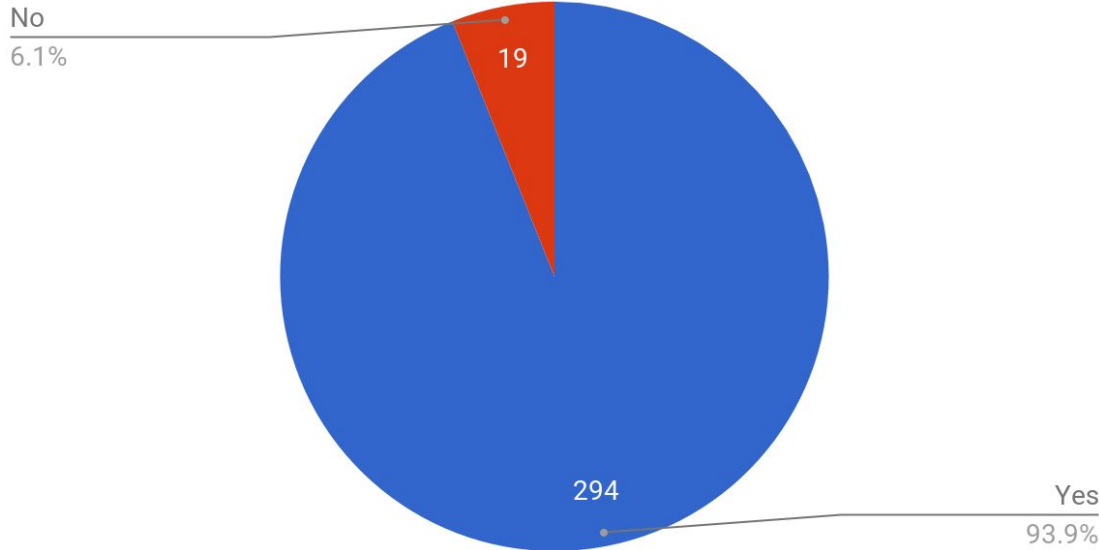


Yes
97.8%

97% of the 313 West Seattle respondents who said they've been affected by noise also said that they **want the city to work on a solution** to this problem.

Wants City to Spend Resources on Solving Problem

Do you want the city (City Council, Police Department) to spend resources (time, money) on solving the problem of excessively loud personal motor

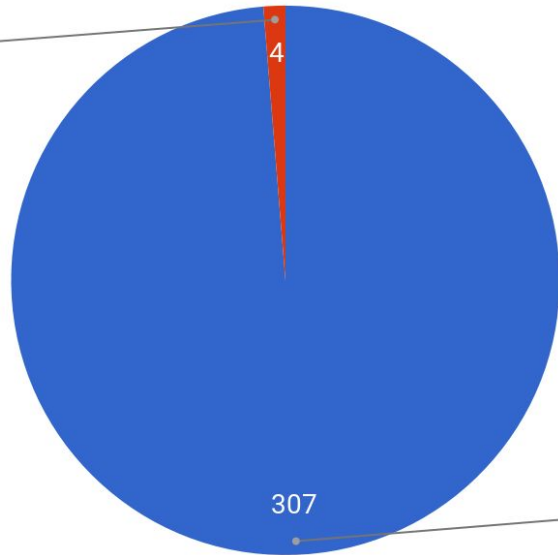


94% of the 313 West Seattle respondents who said they've been affected by noise also said that they **want the city to spend time and money** on solving the noise problem.

Wants City to Spend Resources to Enforce Law

Do you want the city (City Council, Police Department) to spend resources (time, money) on enforcing laws/codes related to excessively loud personal

No
1.3%

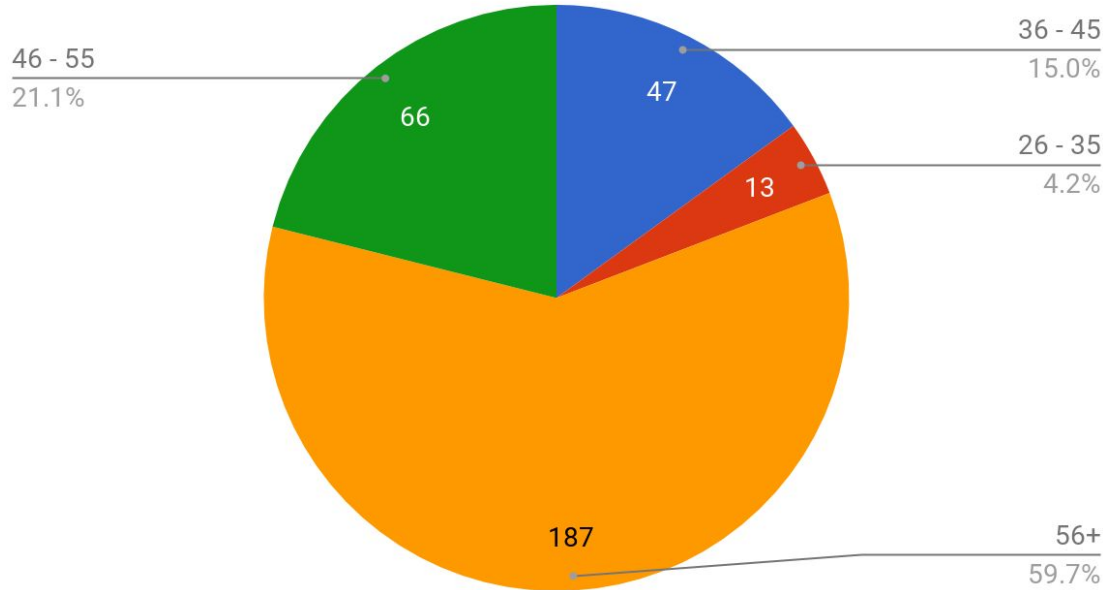


Yes
98.7%

98% of the 311 West Seattle respondents who said they've been affected by noise also said that they **want the city to spend time and money** on enforcing noise laws.

Those Most Affected are Also Most Likely to Vote

What is your age?



60% of the 313 West Seattle respondents who said they've been affected by noise **are 56+ year old, have highest voter turnout rates** compared to other age groups*