

Newtownmountkenedy Sport and Recreation Development Survey



Introduction

Newtownmountkennedy Area Sport Development and the Sport and Recreation sub-committee of the Newtownmountkennedy Town Team conducted this survey to establish what sporting and recreation infrastructure the residents of Newtownmountkennedy would like to see developed now and into the future. There has been huge growth in the local population and facilities for all ages has not kept pace. In addition to the development of the established sporting and recreation clubs, the objective of the survey was to see which other sports and recreation the residents of our town would like to see developed in the future.

Methodology

The survey was conducted online using the SurveyMonkey website for one month from the 22nd June to 21st July 2026. The link to the survey was shared and promoted through social media and local resident WhatsApp groups. Each respondent was asked to fill in the survey on behalf of their household.

A total of 520 individual responses were recorded. Each respondent was asked the number in their household, the average of which was 3.4, and in total the survey responses represent a population of 1,738 in Newtownmountkennedy. The population for the entire town at the last census (2022) was 3,539, whilst current estimates with new housing estates put the population of the town at approximately 5,000.

The first question asked which housing estate or townland of Newtownmountkennedy the respondent lived in, which was used to verify they were a resident of the town. It was also used to track responses from the various estates, new and old, across the town and when estates were identified with low responses the resident association of the estate was contacted to try encourage participation.

The link to the survey limited each respondent to making one submission. SurveyMonkey also tracked the IP address of each entry which was used to verify that individual households had not tried to make multiple submissions.

Results

Q1. What housing estate or townland of Newtownmountkennedy do you live in?

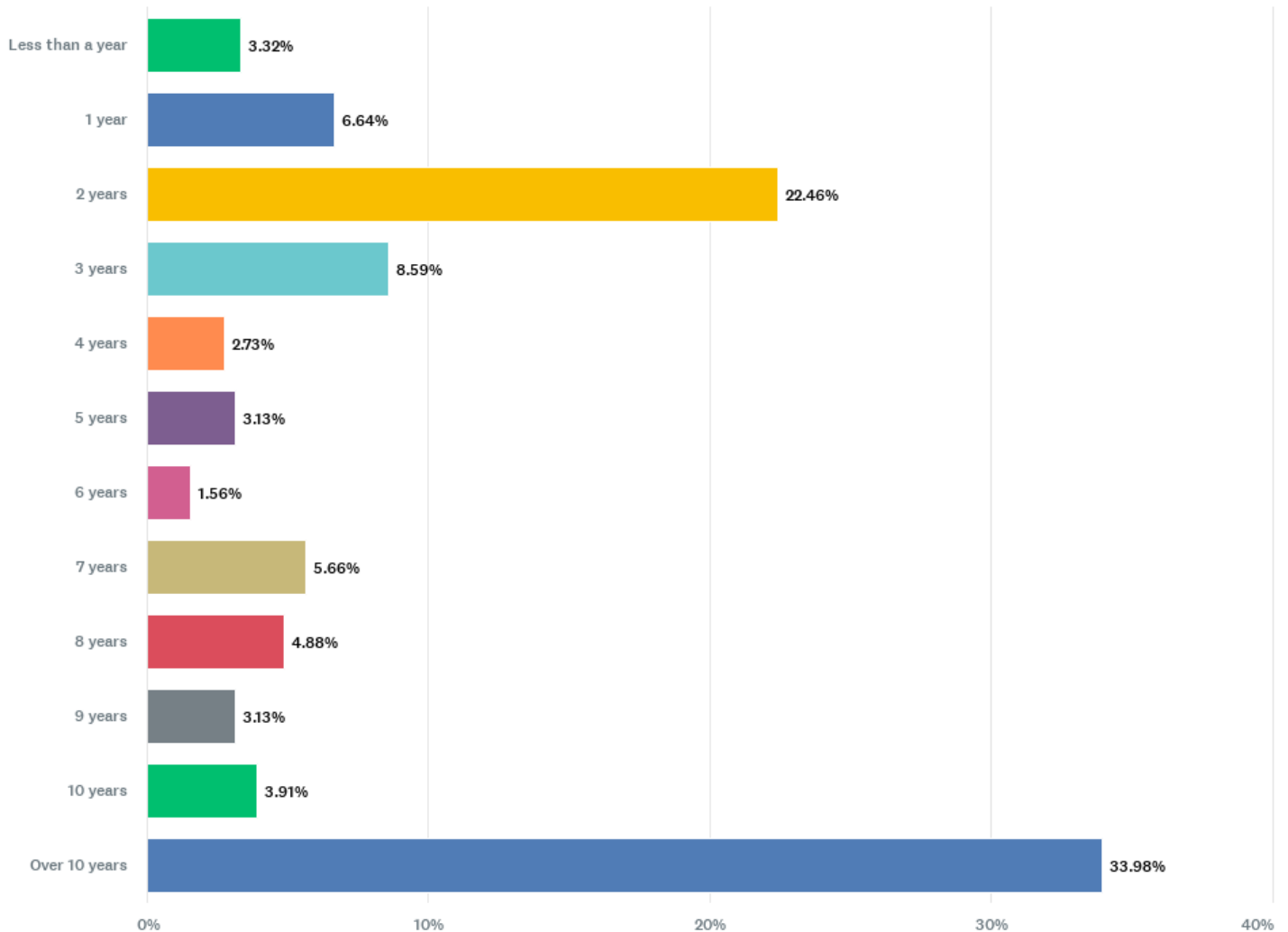
Housing Estate/Townland	Total Responses
Wicklow Hills	91
Merepark	63
Rockfield	55
Season Park	51
Altidore Gardens	49
Glendarragh	44
Garden Village	27
Rossmore	27
Sycamore Drive	15
Springfield Heights	11
Killadreenan Close	10
Callow Hill	9
Glenbrook	8
Killadreenan	8
O'Neill Park	8
Main Street	6
Mountain View Drive	6
Altidore	5
St Patrick's Road	5
Ballinahinch Lower	2
Church Road	2
Other	14

*Where smaller subsections of housing estates were entered these were counted with the main housing estate name. The exception to this was 'Altidore Gardens' which is a large development consisting of several housing estates so these entries were left as a separate total. The final entry of 'Other' consisted of fourteen smaller townlands or housing areas within and surrounding Newtownmountkennedy.

Q2. How long have you lived in Newtownmountkennedy?

Q2 512 responses

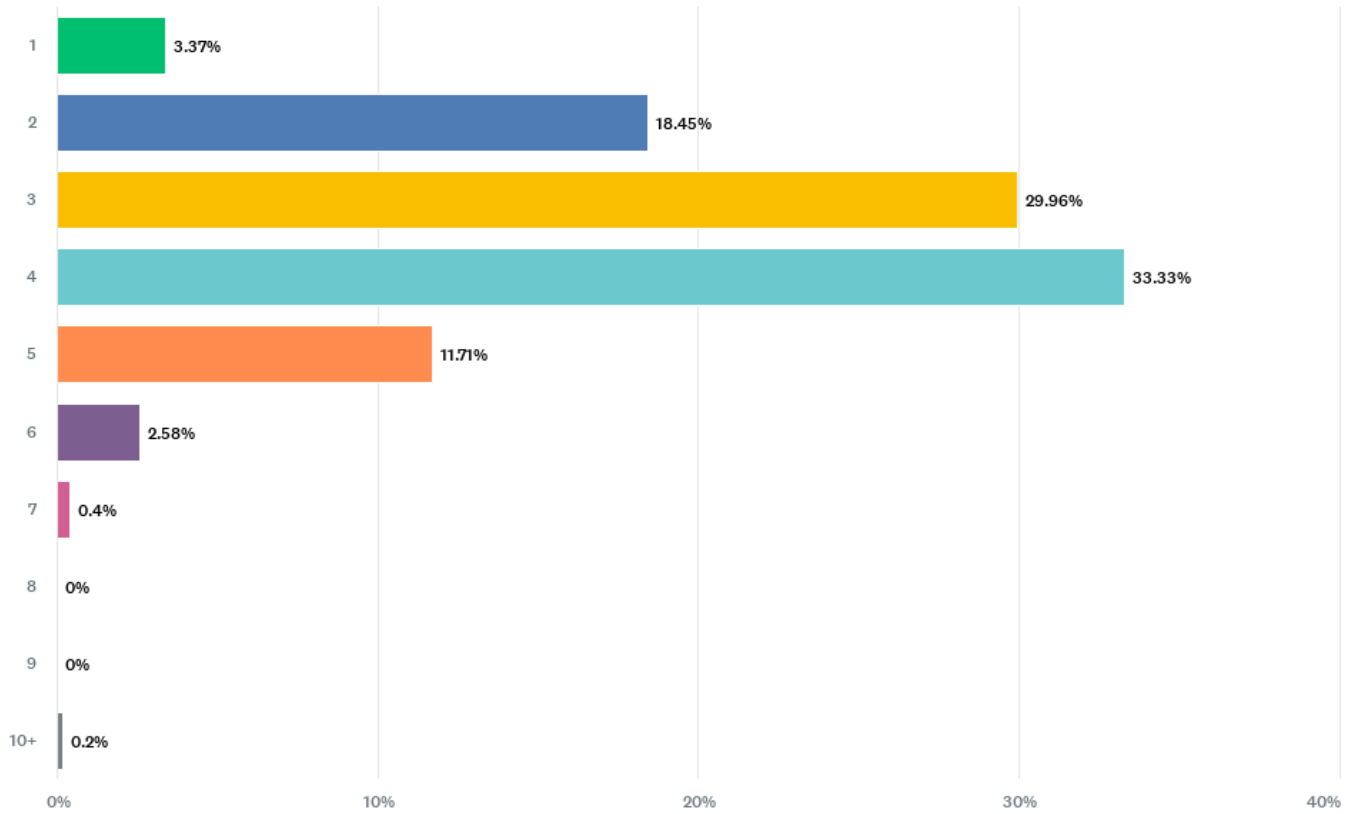
How long have you lived in Newtownmountkennedy?



Q3. How many are in your household?

Q3 504 responses

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Q4. What age groups does each member of your household fall into?

The cumulative total of people represented in responses to this question was 1,738. The summary of these responses gives a strong representation of the population of the town by household size and age groups.

Summary by household type and total number of people

Age Group/ Household Size	0-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65+
One person	2	0	0	0	0	1	3	2	2	2	5	1	2	0
Two people	4	2	1	3	3	13	66	48	19	14	9	4	5	4
Three people	72	37	23	12	13	12	75	78	52	30	18	10	5	7
Four people	97	90	62	48	27	27	33	81	84	56	46	23	5	4
Five people	31	50	45	32	11	8	11	33	43	22	13	2	2	2
Six people	6	7	10	6	12	5	6	7	9	2	4	2	4	4
Seven people	0	1	1	2	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0

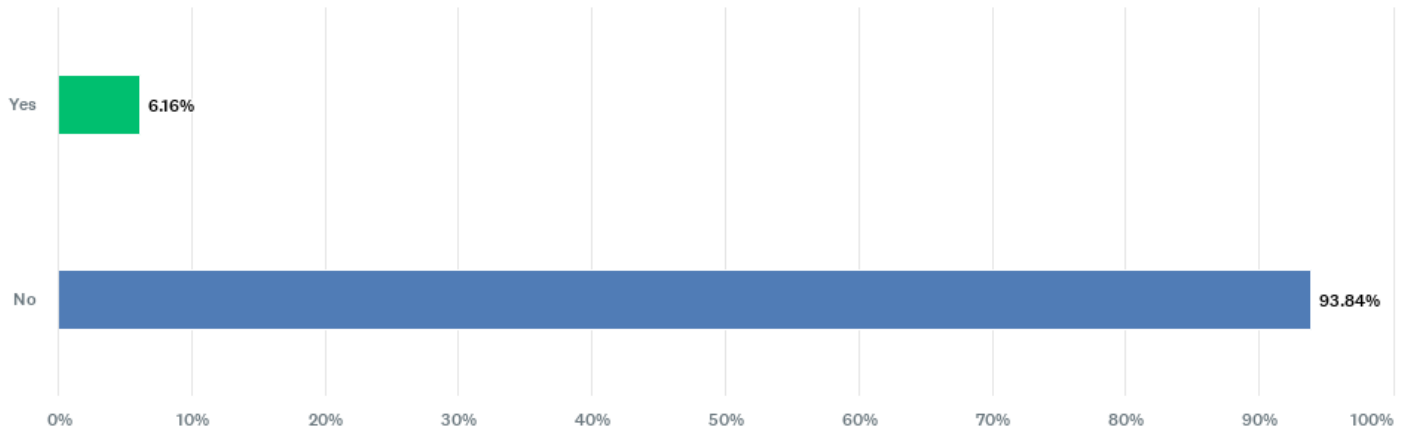
Summary by total number of people in all households

Age Group	Total Number of People	Percentage of Total People
0-4	212	12.2%
5-9	187	10.8%
10-14	142	8.2%
15-19	103	5.9%
20-24	67	3.9%
25-29	66	3.8%
30-34	194	11.2%
35-39	250	14.4%
40-44	210	12.1%
45-49	126	7.2%
50-54	95	5.5%
55-59	41	2.4%
60-64	22	1.3%
65+	23	1.3%

Q5. Do you think there are enough sports and recreation facilities in Newtownmountkennedy for your household?

Q5 503 responses

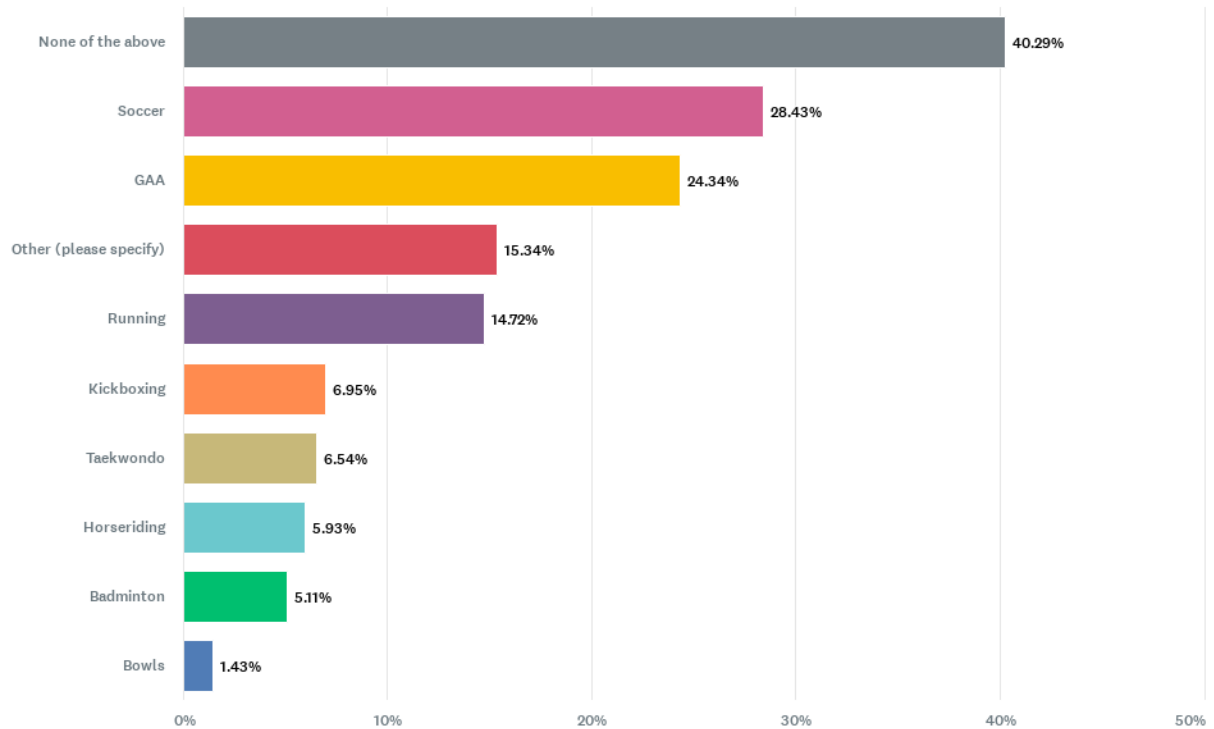
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Q6. Do you or anyone in your household participate in any of the following sports and recreation clubs that are already established in Newtownmountkennedy?

Q6 489 responses

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Q6. Summary of ‘Other (please specify)’:

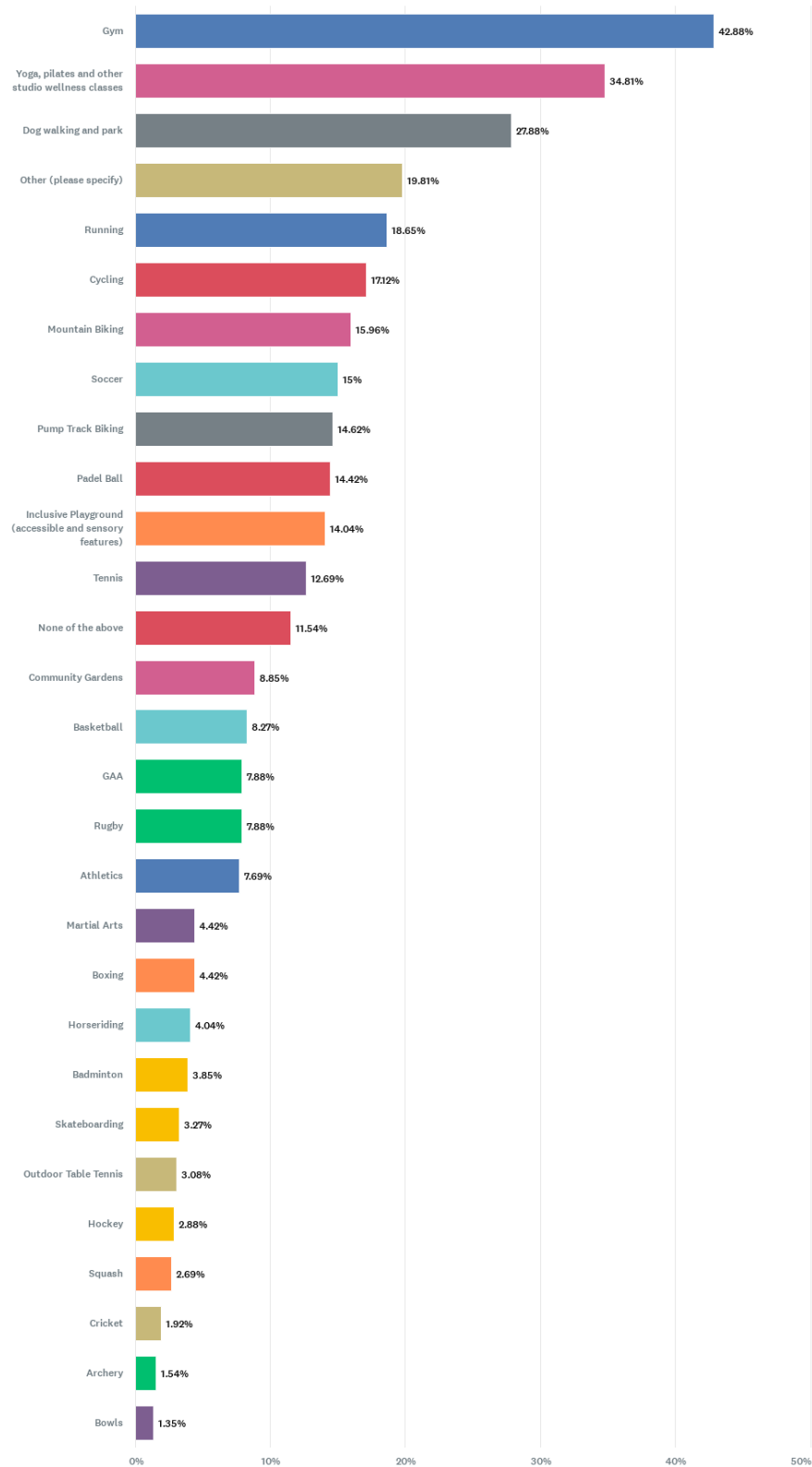
Other (please specify)	Total Responses	Percentage of Total Responses
Gym	12	2.45%
Walking	7	1.43%
Scouts	5	1.02%
Swimming	5	1.02%
Mountain biking	4	0.82%
Tennis	4	0.82%
Baton twirling	3	0.61%
BMX biking	3	0.61%
Cricket	3	0.61%
Golf	3	0.61%
Gymnastics	3	0.61%
Martial arts	3	0.61%
Padel	3	0.61%
Pilates	3	0.61%
Basketball	2	0.41%
Cycling	2	0.41%
Irish dancing	2	0.41%
Volleyball	2	0.41%
Yoga	2	0.41%
Brazilian Jiu Jitsu	1	0.20%
Dog walking	1	0.20%
Fat biking	1	0.20%
Hiking	1	0.20%
Hockey	1	0.20%
Paddle	1	0.20%
Pickleball	1	0.20%
Sailing	1	0.20%
Sensory Stars	1	0.20%
Skateboarding	1	0.20%

*The facilities for some of the above-mentioned sports do not currently exist in Newtownmountkennedy and so some respondents may have been confused with Q7 which asks about participation in sport and recreation outside of the town.

Q7. Do you or anyone in your household participate in any of the following sports and recreation in places outside of Newtownmountkennedy?

Q7 520 responses

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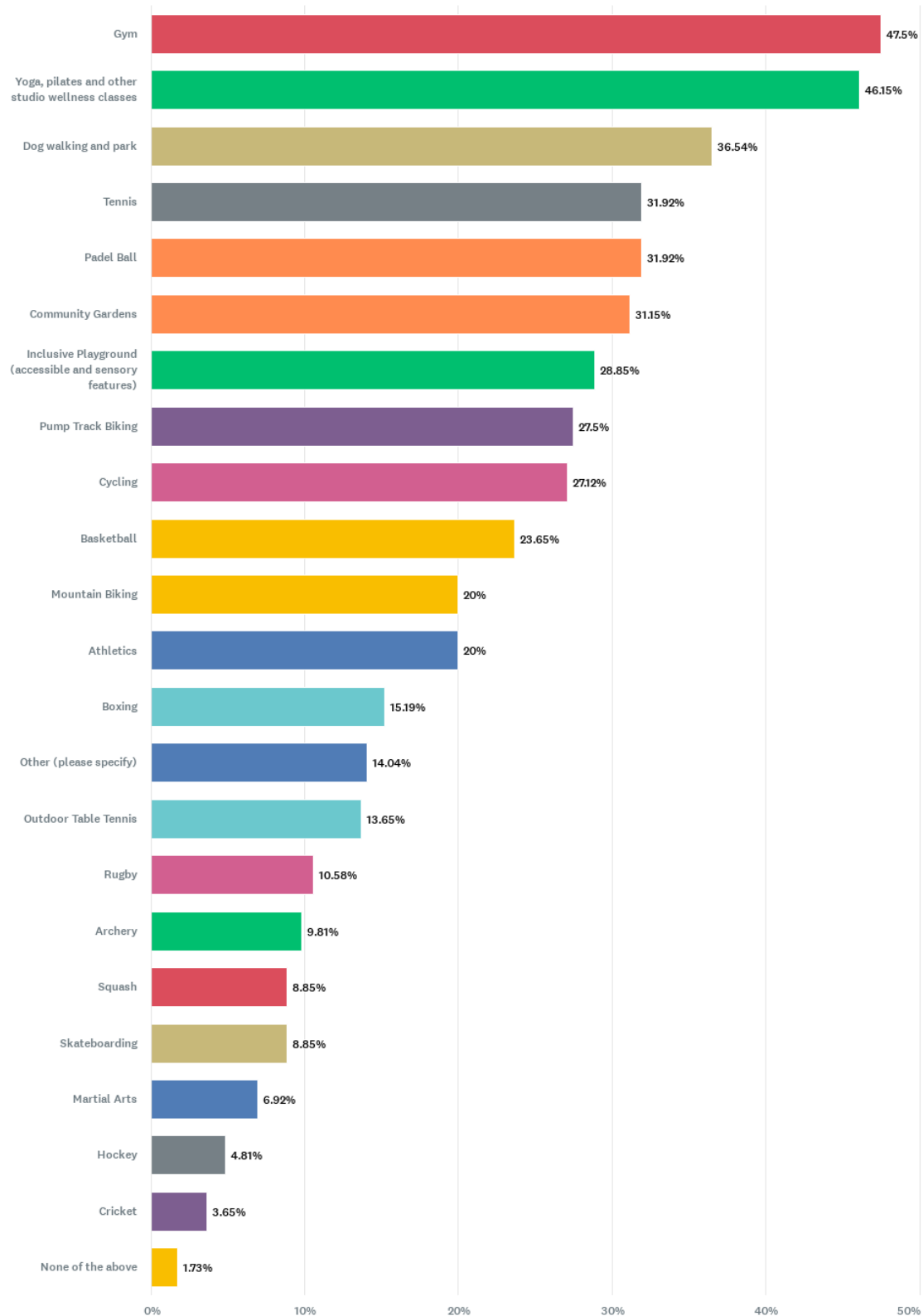
Q7. Summary of ‘Other (please specify)’:

Other (please specify)	Total Responses	Percentage of Total Responses
Swimming	39	7.50%
Golf	11	2.12%
Gymnastics	8	1.54%
Dancing	5	0.96%
Volleyball	5	0.96%
Ballet	4	0.77%
Rowing	3	0.58%
Sailing	3	0.58%
Baton twirling	2	0.38%
BMX biking	2	0.38%
Hiking	2	0.38%
Indoor climbing	2	0.38%
Rock climbing	2	0.38%
Tag rugby	2	0.38%
Trampolining	2	0.38%
Baseball	1	0.19%
Birdwatching	1	0.19%
Drama	1	0.19%
Krav Maga	1	0.19%
Motocross	1	0.19%
Outdoor calisthenics	1	0.19%
Park run	1	0.19%
Pickleball	1	0.19%
Spikeball	1	0.19%
Writing and recording music	1	0.19%

Q8. Which of the following sports and recreational activities would you or anyone in your household be interested in if the facilities were developed?

Q8 520 responses

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Q8. Summary of ‘Other (please specify)’:

Other (please specify)	Total Responses	Percentage of Total Responses
Swimming	23	4.42%
Volleyball	4	0.77%
Climbing	3	0.58%
Golf	3	0.58%
Playground for older children	3	0.58%
Running track	3	0.58%
Dancing	2	0.38%
5-a-side	1	0.19%
Axe throwing	1	0.19%
Beekeeping	1	0.19%
Birdwatching	1	0.19%
Brazilian Jiu Jitsu	1	0.19%
Driving track	1	0.19%
Farmers markets	1	0.19%
Frisbee	1	0.19%
Gymnastics	1	0.19%
Hurling	1	0.19%
Indoor rock climbing	1	0.19%
Motocross	1	0.19%
Music booths for playing and recording music	1	0.19%
Outdoor bowls	1	0.19%
Outdoor calisthenics	1	0.19%
Outdoor chessboards	1	0.19%
Paintball	1	0.19%
Park run	1	0.19%
Photography	1	0.19%
Pole dance	1	0.19%
Soccer pit	1	0.19%
Teenage hang out area	1	0.19%
Walking groups	1	0.19%