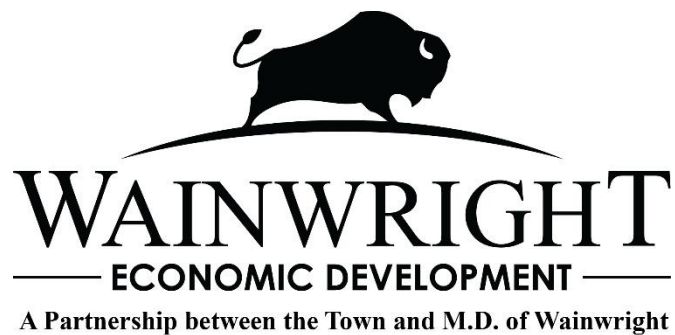


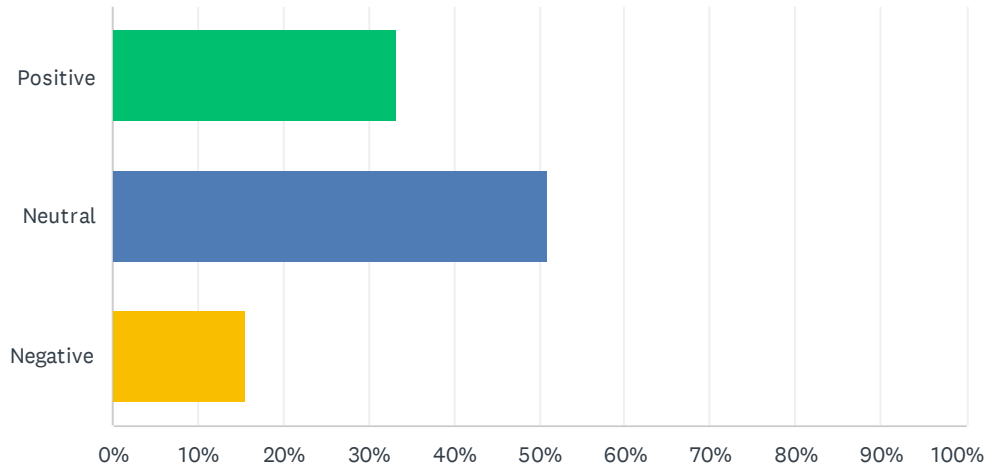
# 2024 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY SURVEY

*Conducted from  
May 1 to June 1, 2024*



# Q1 How are you feeling about the Wainwright economy?

Answered: 147 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Positive	33.33%	49
Neutral	51.02%	75
Negative	15.65%	23
TOTAL		147

# Q1 How are you feeling about the Wainwright economy?

Answered: 76

## Comments:

- The shopping selection is limited and repetitive
- Economy could be better with more retail tenants downtown.
- Too many local shops are closing. Main Street is becoming bare
- Lots of small businesses have closed lately.
- Economies are mostly driven by provincial and federal policies which have superceded our own local economic policies
- It's a good community
- No significant growth
- There is no economy
- Too much of the town money (in the form of customer spending) goes to the big guys ex. Walmart, no frills
- The local businesses that operate on main Street are mostly unsustainable and are closed within a year
- It's doing the best it can giving the circumstances
- There are a lot of empty buildings downtown!
- Seeing lots of business leave downtown but there are still new businesses starting.
- I think we have some new businesses and some long standing businesses
- Seeing some small business close recently
- I feel like there is a lot of local money going into large corporations/chains (Walmart, various fast food chains, Loblaws)
- Big box stores are doing well. Concerned about small businesses with the economy right now.
- I,m happy
- development and construction are up and investment into the community is on the increase
- when I see corporate or franchise business', there is room for business growth.
- seems to be a lot going on
- Severe lack of rental properties, both residential and commercial. Significantly higher cost of local shopping. More than a handful of unused/empty and/or dilapidated stores and lots on Main Street and Highway 14 that are eyesores and taking up the limited space we have.
- I feel welcome at most businesses that I attend, and we are always welcoming new establishments
- I feel the economy in general is recovering and that Wainwright will benefit from that recovery.
- Seeing more vacant buildings around town.
- Some new businesses and losing some as well

# Q1 How are you feeling about the Wainwright economy?

Answered: 76

- We have seen a pile of growth over the years, though what I notice is diminishing small businesses and lots of empty storefronts in the older part of town, and more and more chains moving in
- I see more "chain" stores opening, but more local stores closing. Not sure what that means for the future of our local economy.
- We have lost some retail businesses but gained others in the food industry - more retail would be great but that is a difficult sector right now
- Covid still seems to have some lingering effects and some face financial hardships.
- I feel that there are more businesses opening than failing in Wainwright.
- Only burger joints in town no real industry left
- No family restaurants
- It's growing slowly , we all have what we need.
- So many empty storefronts on Main Street.
- Growth looks and feels slow and steady.
- Positive chatter
- It rained.
- I am not directly involved with business in the community to make an informed comment on the state of the economy. Some businesses have recently closed, others seem to be thriving.
- We have had several businesses close down over the past year. But we still have some great options for shopping.
- Business closing down. Main Street has many vacant spaces.
- Positive thinking develops positive results.
- I feel like it's getting better but certainly not where it was pre-Covid. Seems like lots of businesses shut down and that's very unfortunate.
- Canceled exercises at the base, high taxation and Inflation from our radical federal government have prevented people from spending money
- Crime
- Ppl have less disposable income.
- Not finished gas station by McDonald's, no growth in cardlock fuel stations, no streets made for trucks to the north
- I have not seen any new growth other than housing in wainwright for a few years
- Lots of empty store fronts!
- We are losing a lot of great stores due to price increases and having to travel out of the town to get what we need.
- So many businesses have closed
- There are new business going up and doors staying open
- Need better variety of literally everything. For example: our theatre sucks but and we are paying city rates. The town isn't investing in families as no one can find childcare. Our streets suck - 1st ave is amazing to drive.

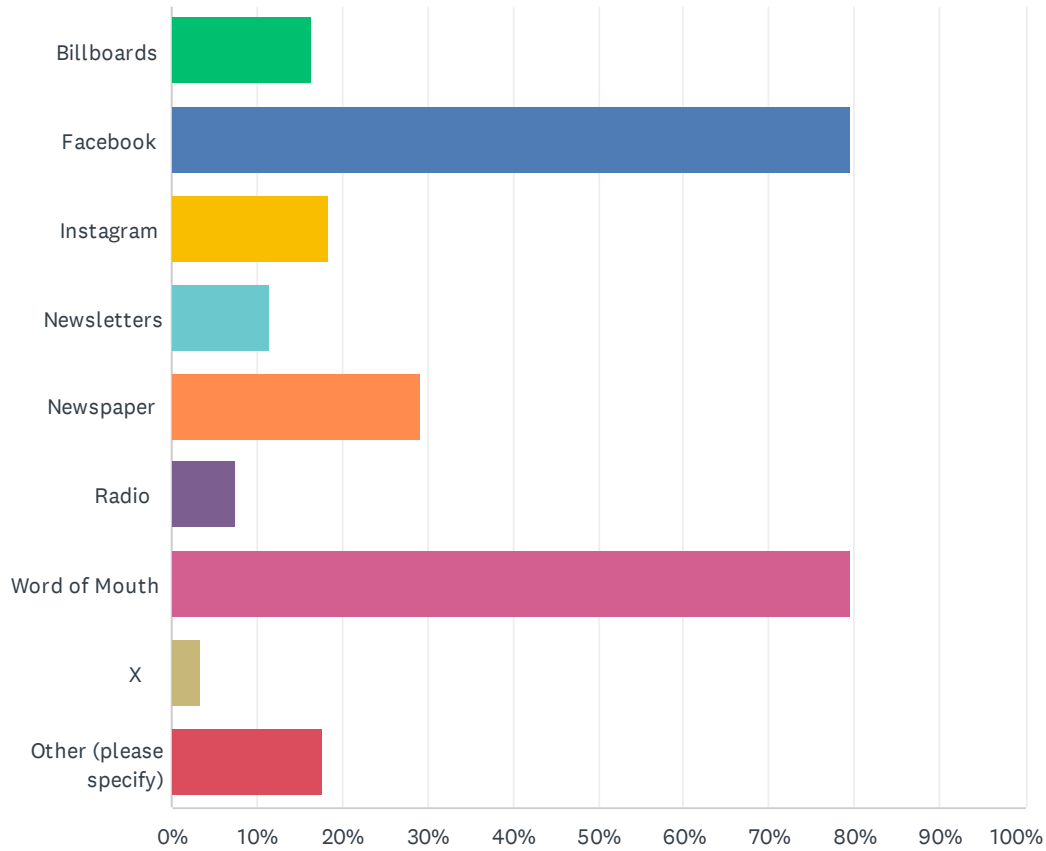
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Answered: 76

- Need more selection and options in order to “shop local”
- We haven't lived here for very long.
- Small businesses are closing, obvious road improvements are being ignored.
- Stores hours and stores closing
- Things are so unsure right now
- I think the economy is picking up again and I think we have a great selection of stores/services for a small town, but I have noticed some small businesses start up and then shut down shortly after... is there any way to make it easier for small businesses just starting up to stay in business?
- Too many business closing their doors
- Several businesses closed in the past 2 years. Downtown has several buildings empty. We have too many fast food restaurants.
- The question is pretty vague
- There is a positive vibe around town
- Seeing more fast food places move in but local retail is forced to close its doors.
- Things have become so expensive. More businesses are closing in the downtown core.
- I feel like for the most part it's okay but we have lost some very great little stores that just couldn't survive anymore. They will be greatly missed
- Because it opens opportunity not only local but accepts foreign entrepreneurs to contribute for the economy
- Everything is more expensive, but it isn't limited to Wainwright.
- Nothing is changing
- Don't see any up or down - seems the same as it always is
- Seems stagnant
- Negative Federal Government taxes and lack of concern for Albertans
- Too many businesses on mainstreet closing
- There are a lot of new businesses opening that are not based on a need basis. Very niche or low interest markets for these.
- Wainwright seems to be a thriving community with a good business section.
- There isn't much draw for families to grown the community.

## Q2 How do you find out about local businesses and what products/services they provide?

Answered: 147 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Billboards	16.33% 24
Facebook	79.59% 117
Instagram	18.37% 27
Newsletters	11.56% 17
Newspaper	29.25% 43
Radio	7.48% 11
Word of Mouth	79.59% 117
X	3.40% 5
Other (please specify)	17.69% 26
Total Respondents: 147	

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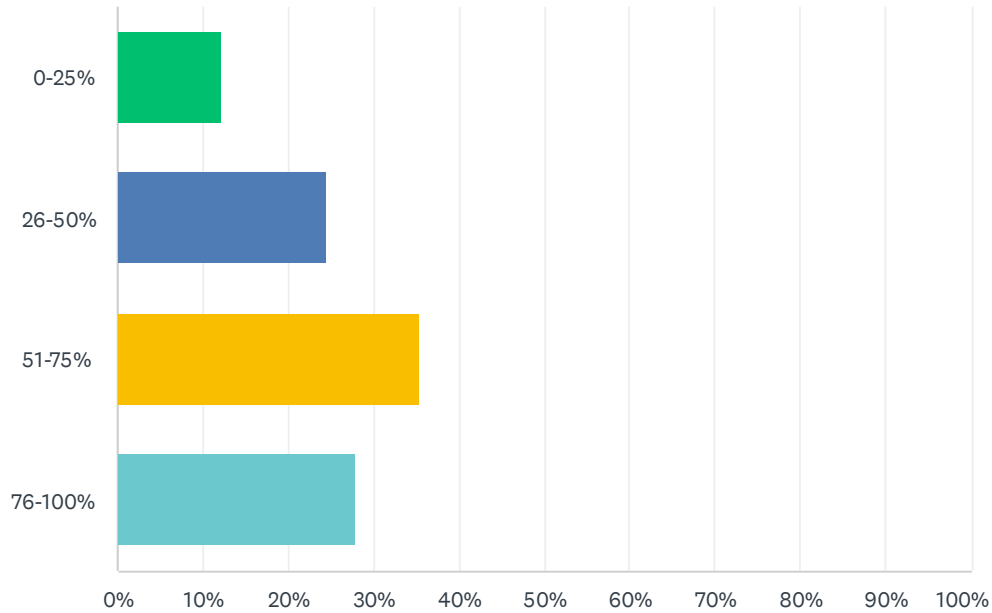
Answered: 26

### Comments:

- Social media
- I see them when I pass by.
- Seeing them in person
- Town Website
- Google
- Exploring downtown
- Posters
- coworkers
- Google
- physically seeing a new sign
- Actually popping in the store!
- Wainwright small business needs to advertise better to keep them all in mind. Goods and services that the big stores do a better job of marketing.
- By going into the stores to check out what they have happening.
- I don't read the paper bc [name omitted] is a raging liberal who can't keep his political views out of a public newspaper
- Announced advert
- Driving around and getting out to look
- Local businesses do not advertise locally so I don't know what they provide. I don't listen to the radio as many people no longer do due to satellite radio.
- Going into stores
- Just touring around town
- Walk in
- TV
- Search engines like Google and Safari
- Tiktok
- Town of Wainwright website
- Welcome package
- friends and family

### Q3 What percentage of your monthly purchases are from local businesses?

Answered: 147 Skipped: 0

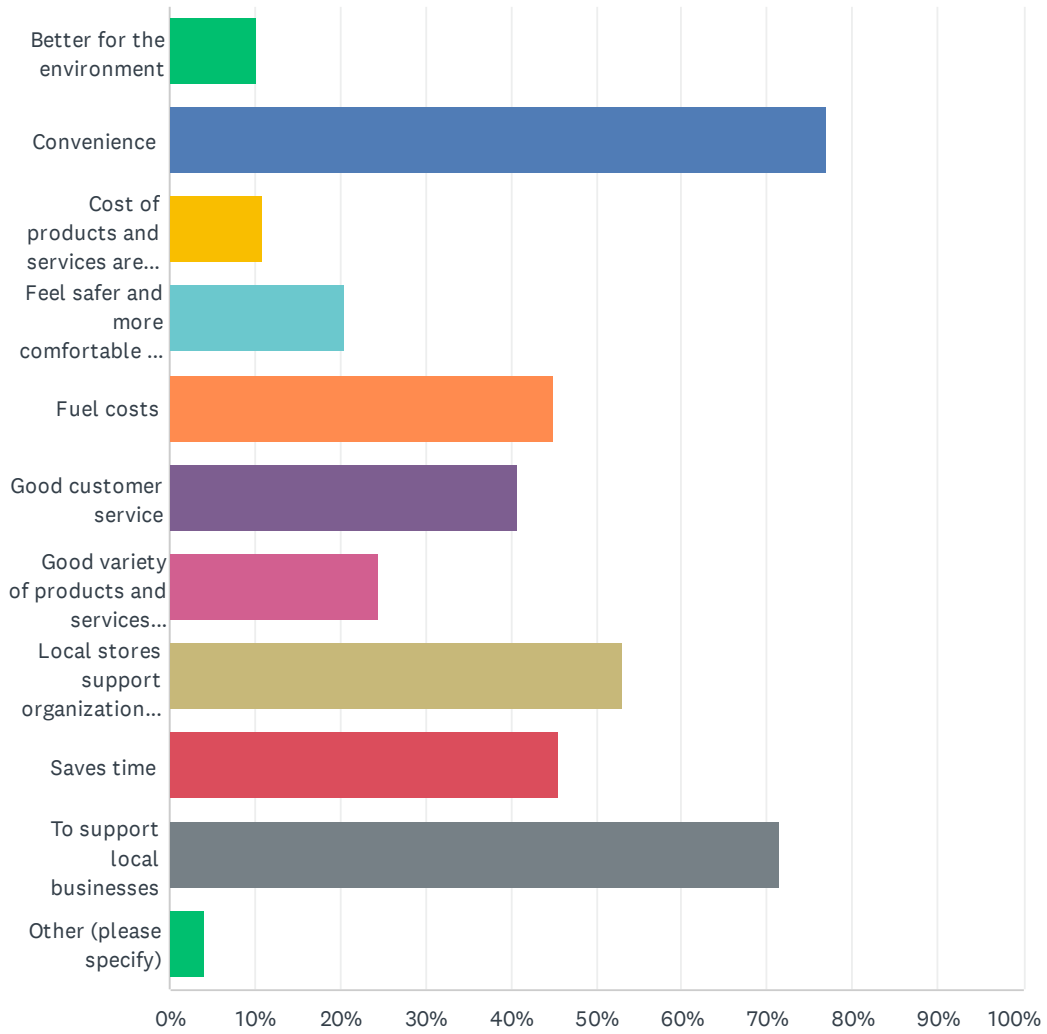


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
0-25%	12.24%	18
26-50%	24.49%	36
51-75%	35.37%	52
76-100%	27.89%	41
TOTAL		147



# Q4 Why do you shop locally?

Answered: 147 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Better for the environment	10.20%	15
Convenience	76.87%	113
Cost of products and services are competitive	10.88%	16
Feel safer and more comfortable in local environment	20.41%	30
Fuel costs	44.90%	66
Good customer service	40.82%	60
Good variety of products and services available	24.49%	36
Local stores support organizations and charities	53.06%	78
Saves time	45.58%	67
To support local businesses	71.43%	105
Other (please specify)	4.08%	6
Total Respondents: 147		

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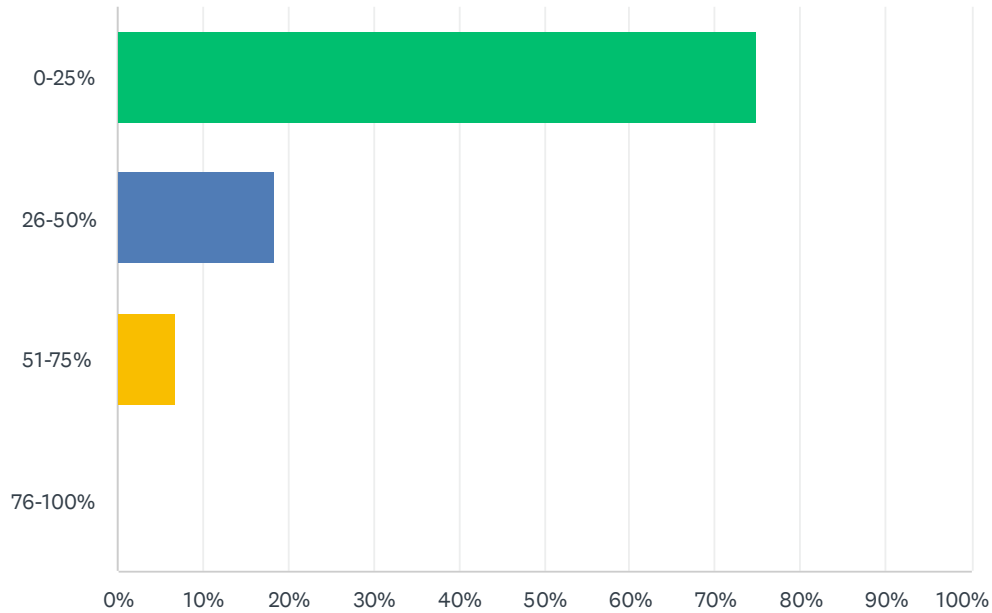
Answered: 6

### Comments:

- Only because I have to
- I don't the hours don't work with my job
- I do all grocery shopping locally, but other products I often shop online.  
Admittedly shop at the box stores in town and do not visit many of the small businesses
- Believe the buy local or bye bye local
- Stores die downtown... and no one knows why
- Community minded

## Q5 What percentage of your monthly purchases are you travelling out-of-town for?

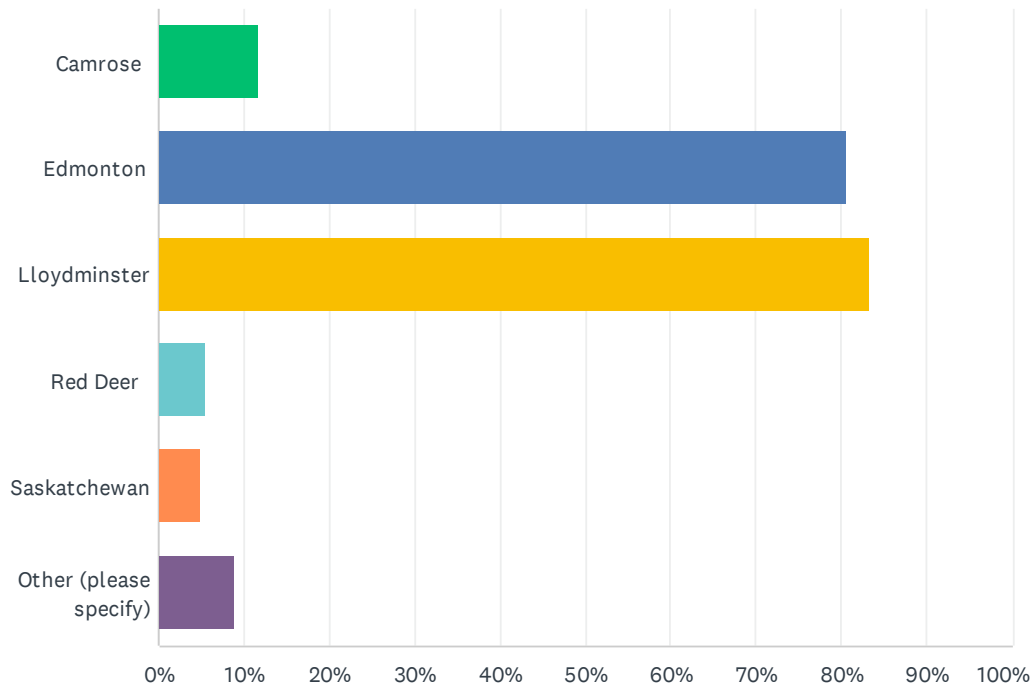
Answered: 147 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
0-25%	74.83%	110
26-50%	18.37%	27
51-75%	6.80%	10
76-100%	0.00%	0
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>147</b>

## Q6 Where do you travel to shop out-of-town?

Answered: 145 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Camrose	11.72% 17
Edmonton	80.69% 117
Lloydminster	83.45% 121
Red Deer	5.52% 8
Saskatchewan	4.83% 7
Other (please specify)	8.97% 13
Total Respondents: 145	

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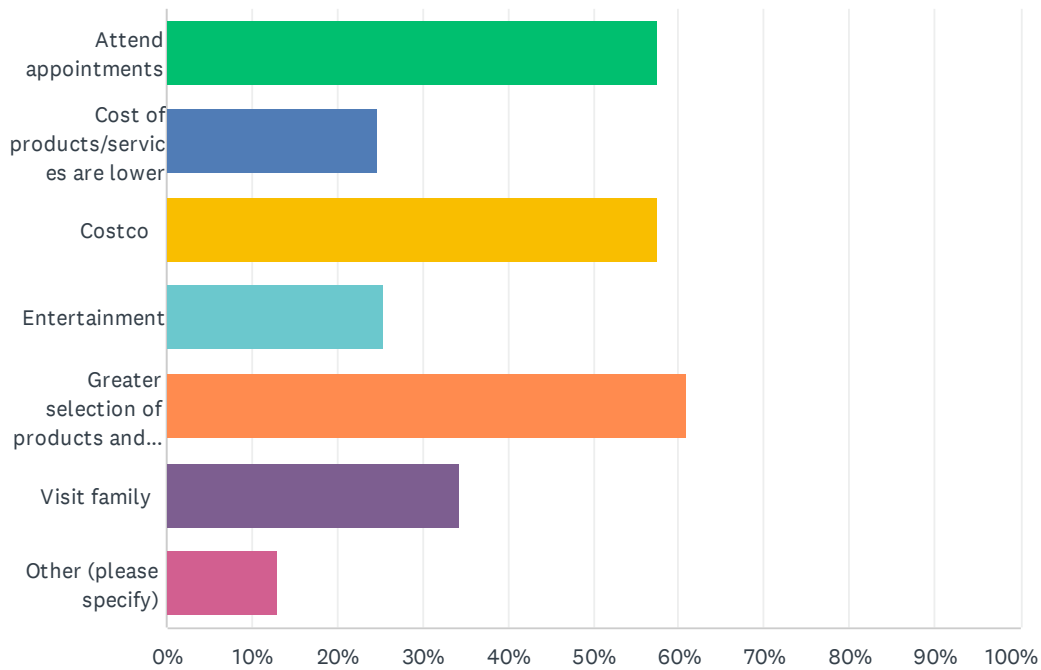
Answered: 13

### Comments:

- I don't travel use Amazon for most major purchases
- Calgary
- Sherwood Park
- Newfoundland and Labrador
- Medicine Hat
- Online! Aside from groceries I don't shop super often (only if I'm already in those places for another reason)
- ...
- Change of scenery
- Do not buy out of tow
- Online
- Online
- Provost
- we generally don't travel out of town

## Q7 Why do you travel out of town to shop?

Answered: 146 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Attend appointments	57.53%	84
Cost of products/services are lower	24.66%	36
Costco	57.53%	84
Entertainment	25.34%	37
Greater selection of products and services	60.96%	89
Visit family	34.25%	50
Other (please specify)	13.01%	19
Total Respondents: 146		

## Q7 Why do you travel out of town to shop?

Answered: 19

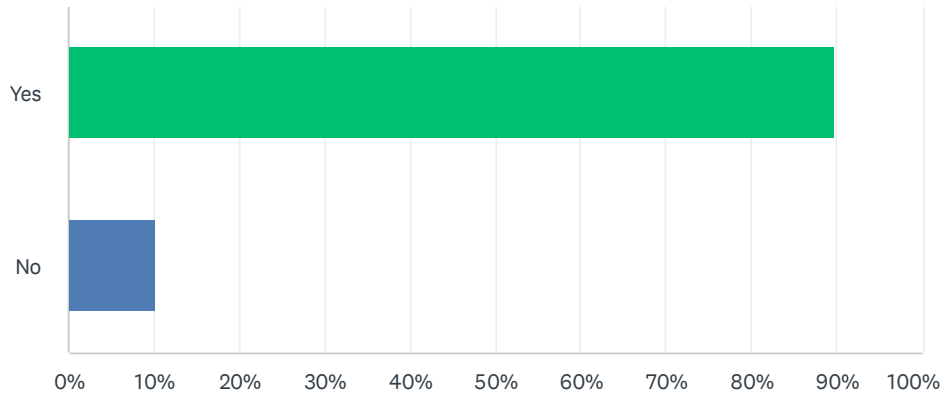
### Comments:

- Not available locally
- I really don't travel to shop
- Because this small town has nothing to offer
- Sporting Events
- Work
- Some things are not available in Wainwright
- usually for specialty items
- Sporting events
- Open accounts
- Visit Friends
- No industry to buy from industry
- Sports
- Very little out of town.
- Only if it's something I cannot get locally
- Products not available in town
- Medical specialist
- Visit friends
- Something to do
- we don't



## Q8 Do you shop ONLINE?

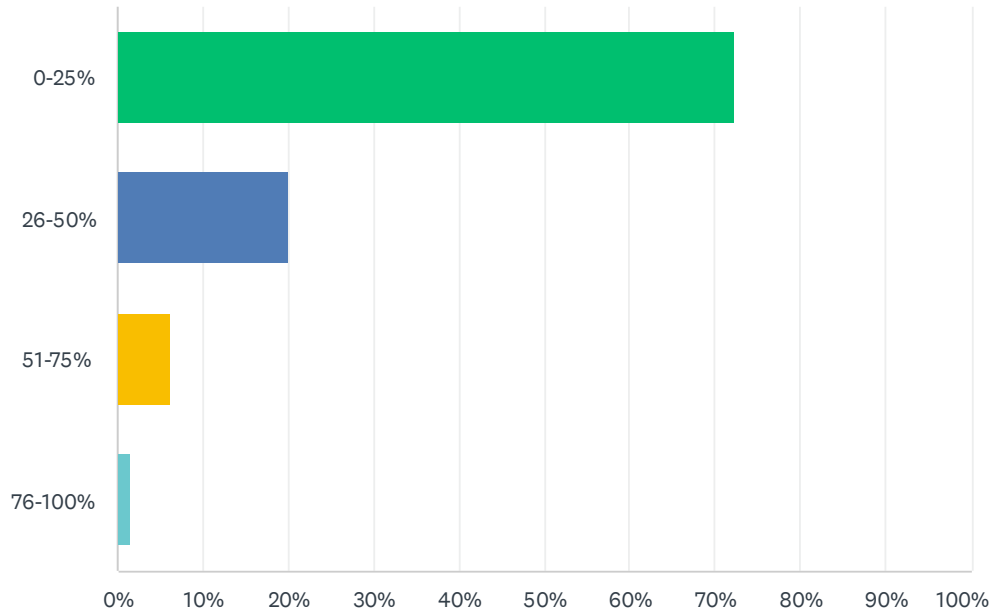
Answered: 147 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	89.80%	132
No	10.20%	15
TOTAL		147

### Q9 What percentage of your monthly purchases are done online (from stores out-of-town)?

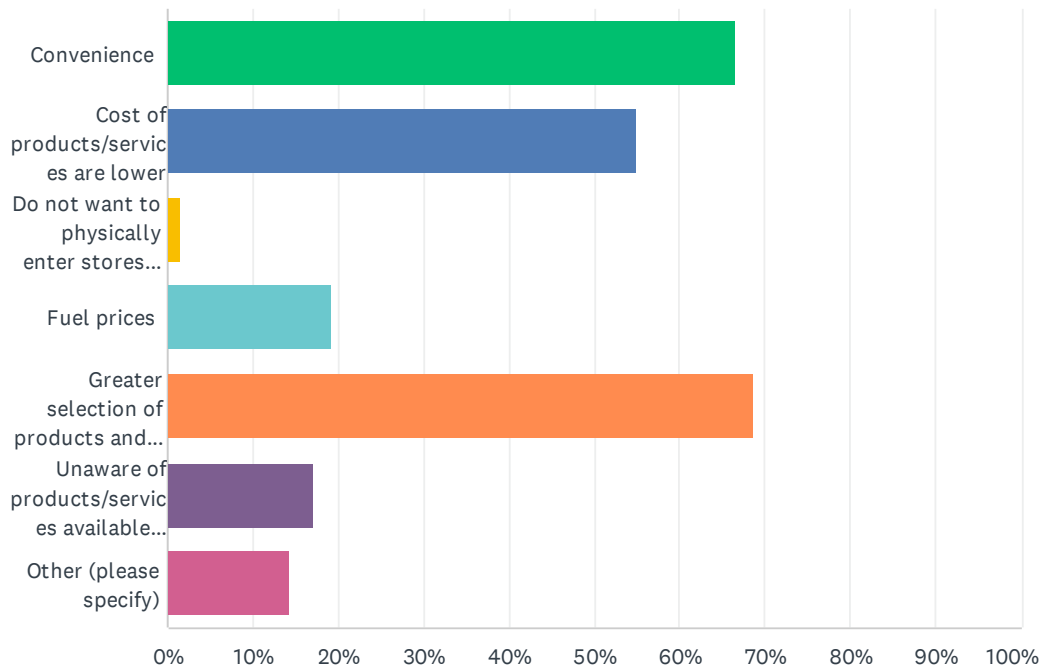
Answered: 144 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
0-25%	72.22%	104
26-50%	20.14%	29
51-75%	6.25%	9
76-100%	1.39%	2
TOTAL		144

## Q10 Why do you ONLINE shop out-of-town?

Answered: 140 Skipped: 7



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Convenience	66.43%	93
Cost of products/services are lower	55.00%	77
Do not want to physically enter stores due to health and safety reasons	1.43%	2
Fuel prices	19.29%	27
Greater selection of products and services	68.57%	96
Unaware of products/services available locally	17.14%	24
Other (please specify)	14.29%	20
Total Respondents: 140		

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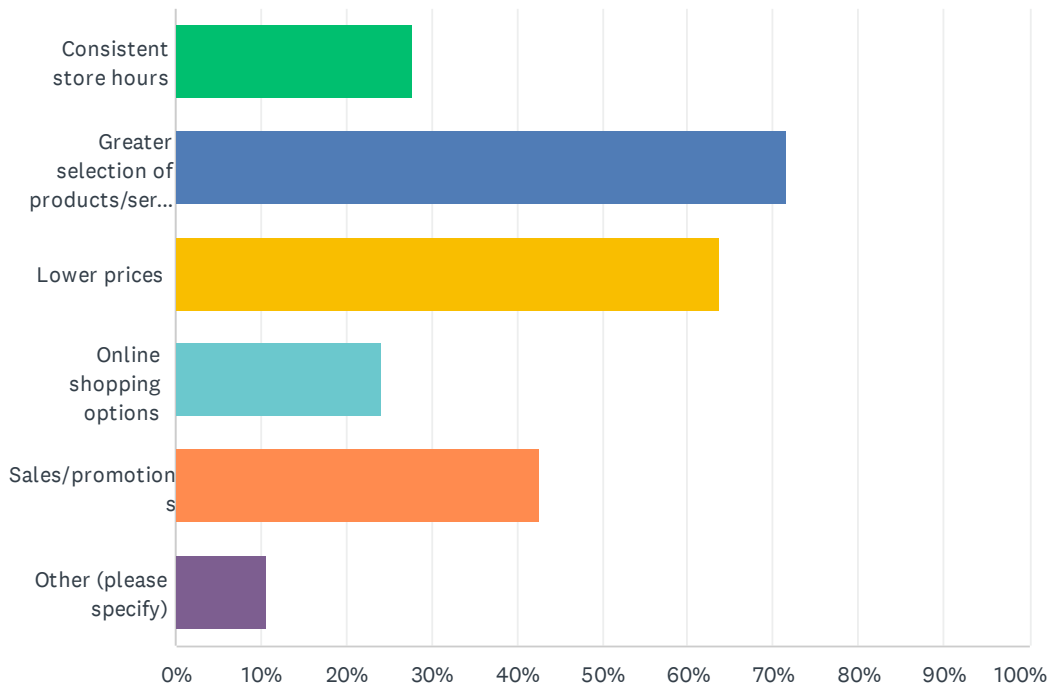
Answered: 20

## Comments:

- I do not shop online
- Because no one in town sells what is required
- Can't get the product I am looking for locally
- Only if I can't get locally
- Do not shop online
- very seldom shop online but when do it for a specific item or price
- specific product
- Get a specific item. Can't find nearby
- Do not shop online out of town
- Variety and selection and cost
- I don't shop online
- Not
- Buy clothing online due to sizing and styles that aren't offered locally.
- Products unavailable in town
- I often can't find the products in town and if I do the cost is usually more.
- Products are not available locally
- Product not offered in town
- Some products not available here
- Can purchase anytime of the day/night
- Can't source in town

## Q11 What would encourage you to shop locally?

Answered: 141 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Consistent store hours	27.66%	39
Greater selection of products/services	71.63%	101
Lower prices	63.83%	90
Online shopping options	24.11%	34
Sales/promotions	42.55%	60
Other (please specify)	10.64%	15
Total Respondents: 141		

# Q11 What would encourage you to shop locally?

Answered: 15

## Comments:

- Nothing
- I shop locally
- Easily accessible stores in one location (less convenient with no grocery downtown)
- N/A
- Even a part time shop with consistent hours is an alternative to no shop.
- No industry supply stores
- Salesclerks, no self checkouts, teenagers working first job
- Stores to be open later. When most people, myself included work till 4:30-5pm and the stores close at 5 or aren't open on sundays, how are we supposed to get there to shop?
- I DO shop locally
- I think rather always saying shop locally..."shop small" as in support for small business.
- I think the town businesses are doing a very good job as is
- Coop built a hardware store that we didn't need instead of increase the size of the bulk station
- Being able to go to one grocery store and get all of my groceries, instead of having to go to all 3 stores.
- More businesses open on weekends
- Have more than 1 item in stock, often I will have wait on delivery of items. I understand overhead issues a balanced approach perhaps

## Q12 If our municipality could attract 5 new businesses, what would you want them to be?

Answered: 120 Skipped: 27

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Dollarama Home Depot Safeway Reitmans Denny's Movie theatre	6/1/2024 9:55 AM
2	Taco time, West 49, New Theatre, Smitty's, Rec Room.	5/31/2024 11:36 AM
3	Winners Homesense Home Depot Vietnamese restaurant	5/31/2024 6:04 AM
4	A GOOD whole family clothing store that is up with the times and trends but reasonably priced, dollar tree - where products cost under \$5, winners, costco	5/30/2024 8:16 PM
5	??	5/30/2024 7:58 PM
6	IT products, competitive cellular shopping, more big box choices.	5/30/2024 6:24 PM
7	Dollarama Costco plus sizes men's wear new hospital	5/30/2024 6:07 PM
8	Wendy's, a better restaurant than Boston pizza, a better pub or bar, more clothing - similar size towns sometimes have a winners or reitmans or old navy etc,	5/29/2024 6:28 PM
9	Movie theater, Truck stop, Family restaurant, grocery store and Manufacturing company or Recycling-biofuel plant.	5/29/2024 1:06 PM
10	What ever one wants to buy my house for the land and let me leave not in the hole.	5/27/2024 1:24 PM
11	Business related to entertainment or activities	5/26/2024 9:26 PM
12	dollarama,	5/25/2024 1:23 PM
13	Dollar store/Dollarama, Giant Tiger, Bargain Store, Home Sense,	5/24/2024 1:57 PM
14	Montanas or similar, dollar store, book store, winners, best buy	5/21/2024 10:23 PM
15	Smittys, source for sports/sport chek, original Joes, holiday inn, Canadian brewhouse	5/21/2024 6:09 PM
16	Sports store for all sport attire Clothing Store - men and women Dollar Store (the one we have is expensive and not that good) Staples or something like it Books/Art/Holistic Health	5/21/2024 4:03 PM
17	Coffee shop, Costco, more doctors x3	5/21/2024 12:06 PM
18	1. Bakery/Cafe 2. Breakfast Restaurant 3. Laundromat 4. Candy/Toy Store 5. Booster Juice	5/20/2024 3:31 PM
19	This list is compiled by my family members: Dollarama or Dollar Tree Wendy's Eastside Mario's Costco - would draw in many. But not sure that's viable here. Sportchek, but again not viable. We really do have a lot to offer here! I personally only miss Costco at times and a dollar store for the cheap little things for parties. But we don't go out of our way to travel to get these things. We only go if we have appts or happen to be visiting a larger centre.	5/19/2024 10:09 AM
20	laundry facility, another grocery store, fabric store	5/18/2024 1:19 PM
21	Indoor playplace or trampoline park, bakery, daycare with after school options, solar panels, net zero houses	5/18/2024 5:51 AM
22	Hardware store	5/17/2024 9:23 PM
23	Family restaurant, laundromat, men's store, medical walk-in clinic,	5/17/2024 8:46 PM
24	Breakfast restaurant, dollar store,bakery bulk barn , bookstore	5/17/2024 8:34 PM
25	Pizza Hut Wendy's Bootlegger Winners	5/17/2024 9:24 AM
26	Craft store Dollar store with dollar store prices Entertainment without alcohol in evenings (board game cafe would be AMAZING) Book store Kids clothing	5/16/2024 10:16 AM

27	Actual dollar store, craft store, any clothing stores. Clothing and crafts is probably what I travel most for. I don't shop much for clothing, but when I do need clothes, I despise having to go to the city to shop. Sad to see warehouse one gone. Love how many new restaurants & fast food choices we have in wainwright.	5/15/2024 2:01 PM
28	Family Restaurant which serves brunch not pizza	5/15/2024 12:14 PM
29	Health and wellness related	5/15/2024 11:36 AM
30	I don,t know	5/15/2024 10:28 AM
31	Sportchek Moxies/OJs	5/13/2024 3:38 PM
32	breakfast restaurant,	5/13/2024 11:45 AM
33	-Dollar store -Giant tiger (not on the east side of town but a more central and budget friendly shopping centre) -Affordable and accessible clothing store for babies/children/youth -Childcare	5/13/2024 10:55 AM
34	All day restaurant like Denny's Smitty's Bakery Children's clothing Higher level sporting events (not only hockey) football/basketball, even if only USPORTs/Juniors/CEBL/Soccer etc for exhibition or special events	5/13/2024 10:23 AM
35	Clothing store that focuses on younger consumers, ?????	5/10/2024 9:09 AM
36	1) breakfast restaurant 2) health food store/supplements/bulk food 3) fro-yo 4) work out equipment/fitness related 5) arcade/brewery	5/9/2024 2:37 PM
37	Sit down family restaurant. (Smittys, Denny's) Outdoor movies (Drive in Movie style) Go Cart Track Costco (haha)	5/9/2024 1:10 PM
38	Sit Down Breakfast Restaurant (IHOP, SMITTY's, CORA's) More Men's Clothing Options Good Local Appliance Repair Business - Current Vegreville option is expensive. Different Entertainment options	5/9/2024 12:48 PM
39	We do have a nice selection locally, a lot of things I shop for outside of groceries/staples are quite niche and not available in town	5/9/2024 11:58 AM
40	Housewares and Furnishings Sit-down full breakfast restaurant Hardware (like Home Depot) Computer servicing	5/9/2024 11:52 AM
41	Shell Gasoline station, Peavy Mart, Princess auto, Seafood store, and Outdoor Recreation store.	5/9/2024 8:11 AM
42	costco	5/8/2024 10:56 PM
43	Restaurants	5/8/2024 8:05 PM
44	Breakfast diner like Cora's , booster juice, bulk barn, conns bread, clothing store with more variety like winners	5/8/2024 6:57 PM
45	Bike repair, deli, art supplies,	5/8/2024 2:40 PM
46	Peavy Mart Sit down family restaurant Children's clothing such as Carter's Dollarama Entertainment for teens and young adults	5/8/2024 1:22 PM
47	Oil and gas production Welding shop Machine shop Industrial supply store Heavy Equipment store	5/8/2024 12:31 PM
48	Family restaurant not a chain Old Navy for clothes More doctors or a walk in clinic Winners store	5/8/2024 12:07 PM
49	Good clothing, dentist( not enough), construction/ handy men,	5/8/2024 11:31 AM
50	Dollarama or dollar tree Winners Old navy Indoor entertainment suitable for families and birthday party options like arcade, indoor mini golf, Lazer tag. A Denny's or montanas or some other chain restaurant that isn't fast food.	5/8/2024 11:29 AM
51	Breakfast chain, ie. Dennys.	5/8/2024 11:19 AM
52	Do not need more fast food places or gas stations.	5/8/2024 10:50 AM
53	Family resturant for breakfast open all hours, children's clothing store, men's and women's	5/8/2024 10:17 AM



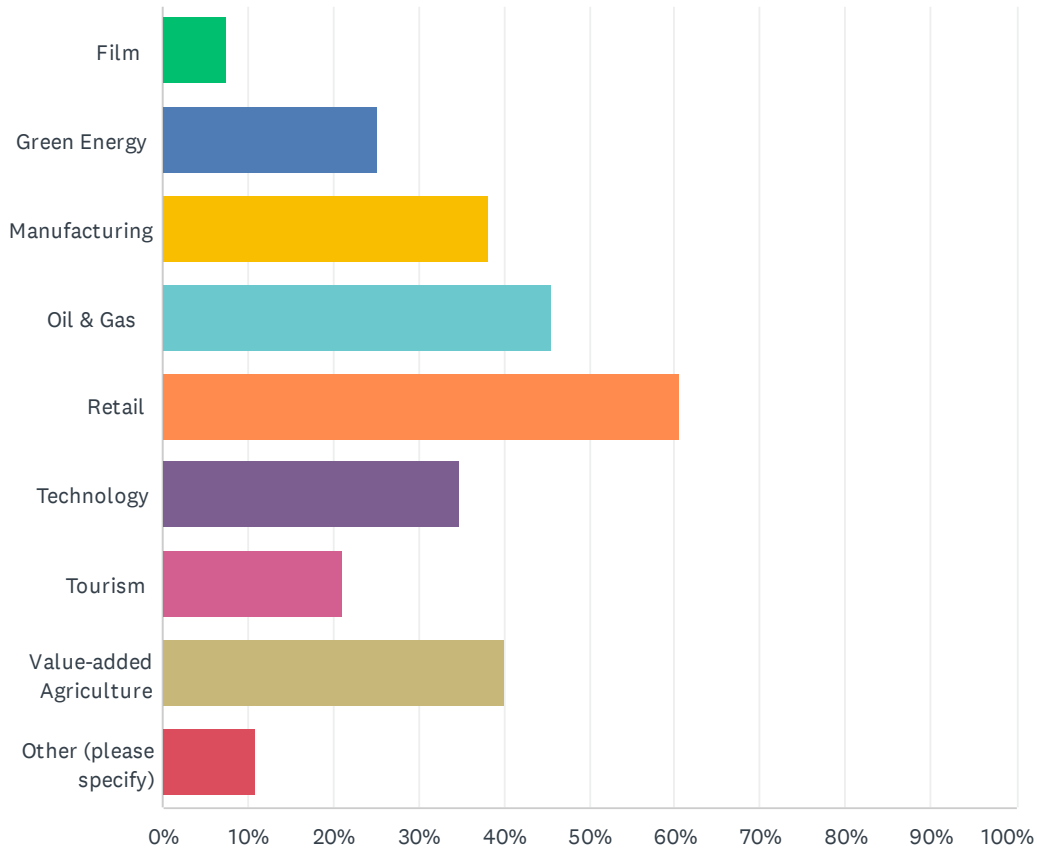
	clothing store, home sense or something for home decor that's affordable, bakery like Cobbs	
54	Costco, shoppers drug mart,	5/8/2024 10:01 AM
55	Warehouse one type store. Its tough for small business to break into the market. Maybe green houses that sell veggies within the MD. I think that the marketing of what we have is key to the survival of small businesses.	5/8/2024 9:40 AM
56	Winners/Marshalls/Home Sense new theatre/entertainment	5/8/2024 9:37 AM
57	Denny's or Smitty's, Brewhouse or Montanna's, Ricki's or Reitman's, Winners or Homesense	5/8/2024 9:22 AM
58	Plus size clothing, kids clothing, family restaurants, dollartree, kids toys	5/8/2024 6:23 AM
59	Winners/Marshalls Family breakfast restaurant. Heard one was coming Dollar store. Heard this too was coming.	5/8/2024 6:05 AM
60	Businesses that supply positive and meaningful employment.	5/8/2024 5:29 AM
61	No sure the population of Wainwright could attract major chains. Clothing stores are lacking	5/8/2024 2:44 AM
62	Kids clothing store. Plus size women's wear. Dollar store( dollarama or dollar tree) bakery ,	5/7/2024 9:59 PM
63	Restaurants, hunting/fishing, dog boarding,	5/7/2024 9:31 PM
64	Breakfast diner, value added manufacturing, expand medical services and diagnostics, bank/financial options	5/7/2024 9:02 PM
65	Dollar tree, homesense, peavey mart, cobbs, Starbucks/second cup	5/7/2024 8:44 PM
66	Dollarama Independent bakery Farm Supply store	5/7/2024 8:32 PM
67	Healthy food options, mensware	5/7/2024 8:12 PM
68	Agricultural, industrial,	5/7/2024 7:56 PM
69	Costco, breakfast restaurant, plus size womens clothing, sport chek	5/7/2024 7:29 PM
70	Bigger coop card lock Access to highway from 23rd ave Pave 23rd ave	5/7/2024 7:29 PM
71	Ladies clothing Kids clothing Peavy mart	5/7/2024 7:21 PM
72	Vietnamese restaurant Craft store	5/7/2024 6:56 PM
73	Booster juice, Cobbs bread, winners (or more clothing options), more doctors/offices, Cora's (breakfast venues)	5/7/2024 6:51 PM
74	1.Winners 2. Dollar tree 3. Lebanese restaurant 4. Sushi resto 5. Hydrotherapy	5/7/2024 6:40 PM
75	Bakery, kids rec center(trampoline park, clip and climb, big indoor playground), more option for breakfast( like husky restaurant), summer camps for kids, new Dr. Office	5/7/2024 6:39 PM
76	No more restaurants. We have enough. - a maternity store - a better theatre	5/7/2024 6:29 PM
77	Dollarama or Dollar Tree, Costco, Children's clothing store, Maternity clothing store, Old Navy	5/7/2024 6:14 PM
78	Ladies plus size clothing, dollarama, winners, home sense	5/7/2024 6:07 PM
79	Children clothing stores, stores with maternity clothing, bulk food items (ex. Bulk Barn), craft/hobby supply stores, indoor childrens play center	5/7/2024 4:39 PM
80	More affordable clothing options for the family - Old Navy, Winners/Marshalls More coffee shop options - love Jacks Place, but another option would be great. Dollarama Costco (but I'm dreaming here)	5/6/2024 8:17 PM
81	Dollarama, Shoppers Drug Mart	5/5/2024 11:48 AM
82	Family restaurant like Smitty's or Denny's. Starbucks, Giant Tiger.	5/5/2024 5:42 AM
83	Don't know	5/4/2024 6:01 PM
84	Clothing stores for plus size men and women Children's store for clothing and things like strollers cribs car seats etc Office supply store A costco would be fantastic A breakfast resturant	5/4/2024 2:00 PM

85	Thai Express A bistro or a pub style restaurant like the Brewhouse Can always use more clothing stores (especially more options for men). Winners/Homesense Childcare approved by the government for subsidies.	5/3/2024 1:43 PM
86	Bakery, health food supplements, athletic store, nissan dealership, craft store (Michaels)	5/3/2024 7:26 AM
87	Home depot; Dollar Tree; Dollarama; breakfast/brunch restaurant; a good clothing store medium priced for families/children	5/2/2024 5:56 PM
88	Breakfast/lunch restaurant such as Cora's, Bulk Barn, Carters, Bootlegger, Dollarama	5/2/2024 2:28 PM
89	Michaels Women's clothing	5/2/2024 1:19 PM
90	CHILD CARE - both Daycare and after school care Health Food Store Kids Clothing (affordable) Costco Home Decor/Organization	5/2/2024 10:36 AM
91	Laundromat	5/2/2024 9:00 AM
92	Green house with year round hydroponic produce, old style butcher shop, bakery, CPAP supply shop	5/1/2024 9:42 PM
93	A new kind of activity place for children (indoor playground, arcade, craft cafe) Panda Express Dollarama/Dollar Tree Children's Clothing Store (not a boutique) Bakery	5/1/2024 8:25 PM
94	Coffee shop, not necessarily Starbucks. Dollarama/dollar tree. Stationary store. Show store. Bakery.	5/1/2024 6:07 PM
95	1. Another dollar store (Dollar Tree or Dollarama) 2. Costco 3. Starbucks 4. Health food/Keto/Sugar Free store 5. Clothing store for teens & adults	5/1/2024 4:46 PM
96	Retail is going dinosaur with high operating costs & overhead. Online is the way to go, except for when you need something immediately.	5/1/2024 4:32 PM
97	Asian Supermarket and offers fresh and not frozen seafoods	5/1/2024 3:27 PM
98	COSTCO Harley Cabela's/Bass Pro RV Dealer Landscaping product/supply store	5/1/2024 3:01 PM
99	- Dry cleaning service - Toddlers entertainment - Dollarama - Michaels	5/1/2024 2:49 PM
100	Breakfast chain like Denny's, more supper restaurants, tech store (miss The Source), another full service vet, doctors, sports store with simulator for shooting pucks etc.	5/1/2024 2:30 PM
101	BULK BARN-SMITTY'S RESTAURANT-DOLLARAMA- WINNERS/MARSHALLS-COBB'S BREAD	5/1/2024 2:19 PM
102	Sit-down breakfast	5/1/2024 2:06 PM
103	More entertainment type services. We only have a pool and bowling. There should be more for the kids todo in the winter. Summer they have pool, bowling, skate park, and playgrounds. Still not much for the teens or even for the adults. Would LOVE to see a rage room or ax throwing. Different and unique activities to bring in people from out of town.	5/1/2024 2:02 PM
104	I feel we should be supporting the business we already have. In my opinion we have way to much fast food. Need more clothing	5/1/2024 12:16 PM
105	Restaurants such as OJs, Kelsey's - too much fast food! Appliance Repair company	5/1/2024 11:58 AM
106	1. A diner for our elderly to be able to meet 2. A space for youth and teens to have fun that is supervised 3. Big brothers, big sisters 4. A family restaurant 5. Children and youth clothing	5/1/2024 11:19 AM
107	Costco, Harley Dealership, Camera store, Adult toys Not a sex toy store,	5/1/2024 10:25 AM
108	Peavey Mart/ UFA farm store, Bell Communications store, Polaris Dealership, Home decor/giftware, Bakery	5/1/2024 10:19 AM
109	Farm products	5/1/2024 10:18 AM
110	Indoor play center Childrens clothing Sit down family restaurants instead of fast food Womens and mens clothing Coffee shop Daycare with evening and weekend availability	5/1/2024 10:16 AM
111	Breakfast restaurant Trampoline park Escape room Movie Theatre Buffet	5/1/2024 10:15 AM
112	Bulk Barn, Denny's/Smitty's, Peavy Mart, women's/Men's clothing store, COB	5/1/2024 10:03 AM

113	A healthy fast food option (extreme pita/ chopped leaf) Another quick esthetics option (similar to v nails) Homesense/ Winners	5/1/2024 9:57 AM
114	Clothing stores for women, men and babies/children. Healthier restaurant. Breakfast restaurant.	5/1/2024 9:55 AM
115	Plus size clothing store Children's clothing store Laundry mat More sit down restaurants not fast good Dollar tree/dollarama	5/1/2024 9:47 AM
116	-Child store (car seats, strollers, clothing, etc) -Somewhere that hosts birthday parties (craft place, indoor playground, etc)	5/1/2024 9:34 AM
117	Men's Big and tall clothing, Coin & collectibles, Medical store like scooters,walkers ,etc, repair,etc., Bakery.	5/1/2024 9:30 AM
118	Costco, Shoppers drug mart, Superstore	5/1/2024 9:26 AM
119	Dollarama Starbucks	5/1/2024 9:26 AM
120	Children's clothing store Rickis Clothing Store Reitmans Clothing Store M&M Meats	5/1/2024 8:12 AM

# Q13 Which Top 3 industries do you think the municipality should focus on attracting?

Answered: 147 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Film	7.48% 11
Green Energy	25.17% 37
Manufacturing	38.10% 56
Oil & Gas	45.58% 67
Retail	60.54% 89
Technology	34.69% 51
Tourism	21.09% 31
Value-added Agriculture	40.14% 59
Other (please specify)	10.88% 16
Total Respondents: 147	

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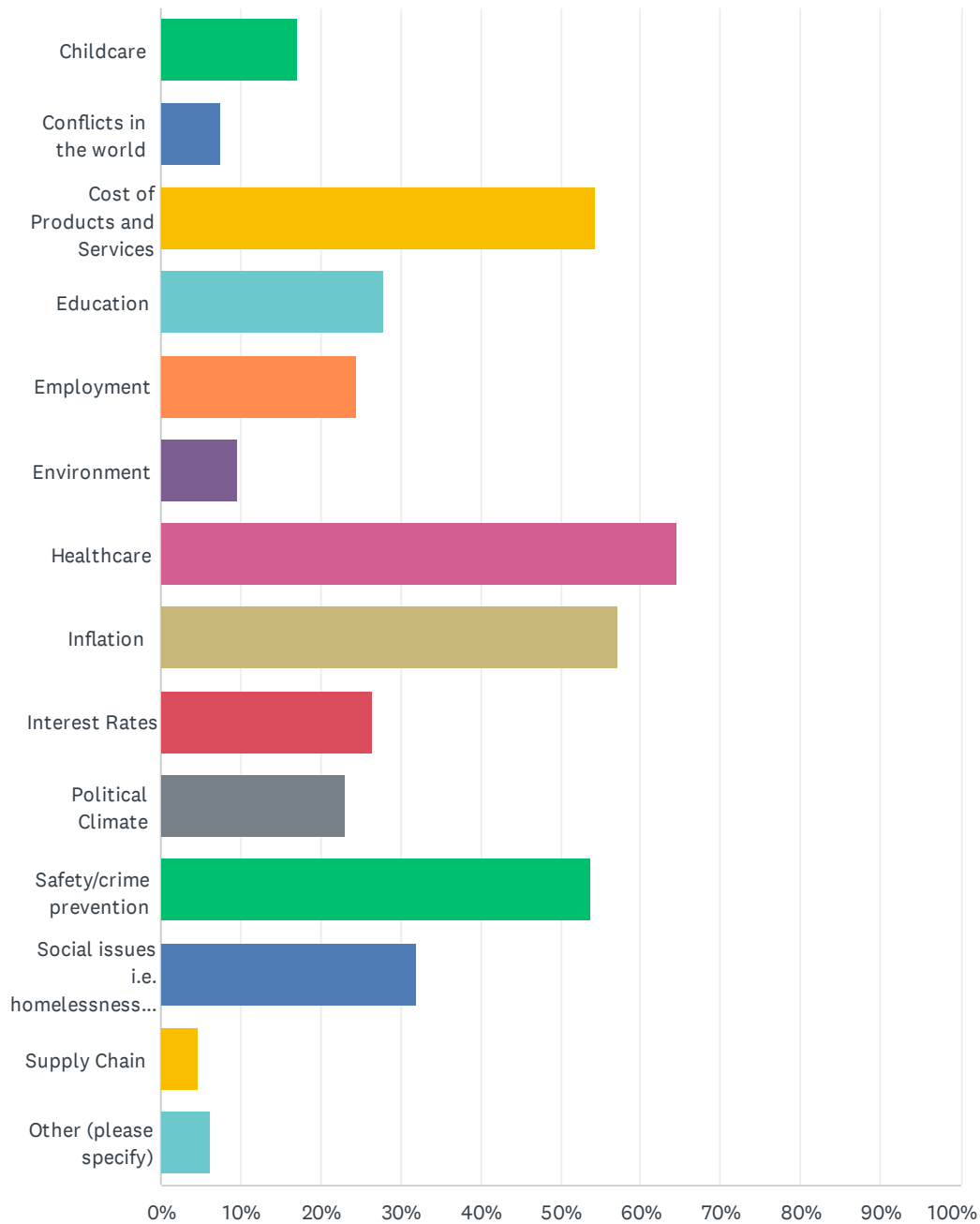
Answered: 16

## Comments:

- Entertainment
- Nothing
- Childcare
- Entertainment
- more doctors!!
- sporting events
- Medical services (specialized)
- RCMP
- Social services
- Something that will bring jobs to the area
- Rigs and rig workers and drilling
- Secondary Education
- I don't know
- Entertainment/Leisure center
- Vertical farming
- Small Businesses

### Q14 What are the Top 4 issues that matter MOST to you right now?

Answered: 147 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Childcare	17.01%	25
Conflicts in the world	7.48%	11
Cost of Products and Services	54.42%	80
Education	27.89%	41
Employment	24.49%	36
Environment	9.52%	14
Healthcare	64.63%	95
Inflation	57.14%	84
Interest Rates	26.53%	39
Political Climate	23.13%	34
Safety/crime prevention	53.74%	79
Social issues i.e. homelessness, mental health, bullying	31.97%	47
Supply Chain	4.76%	7
Other (please specify)	6.12%	9
Total Respondents: 147		

## Q14 What are the Top 4 issues that matter MOST to you right now?

Answered: 9

### Comments:

- Crime and associated drug related issues are a huge problem and need to be addressed. People are getting frustrated with the catch and release with criminals.
- To obtain to be able to obtain letter of introduction to stay in wainwright as permanent residents
- Drill baby drill.
- We have far too many issues with drug abuse and related crime in our community. This should be a priority.
- Recreation
- Include Wainwright for rural renewal stream program for foreign workers please
- Climate change
- I believe we need to address the homeless situation as it is growing rapidly. Along with crime. I don't feel safe anymore
- Immigration



## Q15 Please add any additional comments here

Answered: 33 Skipped: 114

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Our little town seems to be only attracting fast food chain restaurants that do not provide a good quality of food. A sit down restaurant like a Denny's is needed in our community as well as more retail stores to bring shoppers from other communities to our town	6/1/2024 9:55 AM
2	Too much focus on social issues when we need to focus on development, employment, financial opportunities.	5/30/2024 6:24 PM
3	If you can recommend any good carpenters from out of town that do good work? That way I can sell this house and bounce. Thank you.	5/27/2024 1:24 PM
4	Keep up the great work!	5/22/2024 10:15 PM
5	Our community is very lucky for the services it has for the size of community and location. Continue to do great work and we will be in great shape.	5/21/2024 6:09 PM
6	Many people travel out of town for Ortho appointments. That would give people less reason to travel to Lloyd. The family dental office was rotating through dentists which caused our family to switch to a dentist in Lloyd. People like stability. Not sure of this type of business model can be something that is not allowed in this town. It becomes a place where dentists get experience and move on. We liked [name omitted] but he wasn't allowed to open his own practice here, otherwise we would have stayed here. There are many restaurants that are closed on Mondays. It would be nice to have a sit down restaurant open on holiday long weekends and Mondays. (Honey pot is closed on the Saturday of long weekends). It's fair they have time off, but if you are finding ways to bring people in, this could be one of the comments used to show where there is a gap.	5/19/2024 10:09 AM
7	Our family is without a family doctor- I see healthcare on your list of issues- I'd love to see Wainwright attract more family doctors or a walk in clinic for things like prescription renewals, physicals, referrals, etc.	5/15/2024 2:01 PM
8	I feel Wainwright has a severe lack of available rental properties, both residential and commercial. the ones that are available are overpriced and are unfortunately owned by the same 3-5 people in town. I think it would be great to see attractive and available condominiums and apartments for working people and families that would draw more people to our area and encourage others to stay. I'm not sure what can be done about this but there is more than a handful of unused/empty and/or dilapidated stores and lots on Main Street and Highway 14 that are not only eyesores that bring down the attraction and value of our town, but they are taking up the limited space that is available for commercial and residential. Some that I can think of are the old Norris Ford/Scribners, the old husky, the old coop, the old vet clinic by the old coop, the old lumber yard of coop's, highway traffic cafe, the old halo hair studio and sprouts and jabbers beside optifuel, front porch mercantile, Daine's and Daubneys, and there is more. Again, I'm not sure what can be done other than maybe encouraging the property owners to clean them up a bit, or trying to encourage them to use them or sell them (maybe the high cost of main street is a factor too) but it is worth mentioning. I have had friends and family come to wainwright that are not local and are surprised that our Main Street and highway has that many eyesores and empty stores fronts and lots. Again, just a comment not sure how the town fits in.	5/13/2024 10:55 AM
9	Need to update the pool area of the Communiplex, offer times for lessons that are more convenient to working parents and might include weekends during the year. Also a year round swim team	5/13/2024 10:23 AM
10	Laws need to change to address the re-occurring criminal element in our community.	5/9/2024 12:48 PM
11	We need to focus on updating what we have currently in the town that could assist in lack of local business. Upgrade the Cplex with and additional rink and the pool, update the movie theatre to a larger more bang for your buck, bring in more businesses that are not repeats like pizza and burger places, more doctors and dr offices and specialty care. While lots of these	5/8/2024 6:57 PM

small businesses are opening, they struggle with the ever rising cost of rent and product, what can the town do to aid in keeping their doors open when rent and rates climb sky high.

12	More police presence in town, on main street and walmart area during the day.	5/8/2024 12:07 PM
13	Perhaps the town could subsidize rent on Main Street office spaces to encourage businesses to come downtown. Although it isn't an issue for me, many of my friends and family are struggling to find childcare. 2 daycares with how much the town has grown in population isn't enough. I have friends driving to Edgerton & Hughenden to take their children to day care then drive back to wainwright for work. Wainwright needs more childcare.	5/8/2024 11:29 AM
14	Really enjoy the smaller community that offers so much of what we need and enjoy.	5/8/2024 11:19 AM
15	Why is gas more expensive in Wainwright. If I can travel down the road for cheaper gas I may as well do my shopping there too. Local retailers need to stop over charging us for shopping local.	5/8/2024 6:05 AM
16	A permanent shelter/sober living building in town on mainstreet, close to a bar, a well known drug house as well as a drug store doesn't seem ideal to me. I'd much rather see a place a little ways out of town not so close to businesses, especially ones that could be detrimental to their sobriety. It worries me how many people will be sent here from other places such as cold lake, Edmonton, camrose or Lloyd with all the recent shelters shut down for lack of government funding. I am worried our crime rate in the downtown core especially, will sky rocket and chase some very good retail stores out of the area or possibly shutting down permanently.	5/7/2024 9:59 PM
17	Peoples yards are absolutely nasty. Broken down items, cars, boats, trash in yards all over it's getting outta hand. Plus the thieving around town is ridiculous.	5/7/2024 9:31 PM
18	There is worry of a permanent homeless shelter downtown Wainwright attracting more criminal elements from other communities. We already have a serious crime/drug problem. If ppl don't feel safe shopping downtown it will completely kill the downtown business community. It has happened to every other small town that has allowed it. It would be devastating to so many hard working families and businesses and destroy our great little town. PLEASE take the potential risks seriously!	5/7/2024 8:44 PM
19	Not specific to this survey, but Wainwright needs a small busing system of any kind. One loop, one bus.	5/7/2024 8:32 PM
20	Why is wainwright not included in rural renewal project	5/7/2024 7:56 PM
21	Wainwright is full of crack heads walking around. Coop bulk fuel should be 6x the size. Pave and build out 23rd ave to highway 41.	5/7/2024 7:29 PM
22	We need further retail and personal aids like doctors in the community that can still be supported by providing locals with job opportunities and keeping our business within town instead of having to drive or look elsewhere. Amongst that this includes something like the recreation side, upgrading what we have like the C-Plex pool, add another ice rink to allow for more ice hockey, skating, lacrosse, even indoor soccer!	5/7/2024 6:51 PM
23	Please no more pizza places, cannabis or liquor stores. We have more than enough lol	5/7/2024 6:40 PM
24	Nil.	5/5/2024 11:48 AM
25	The crime in Wainwright is appalling. It seems like people that commit minor crimes do not have any consequences and just keep on doing what they are doing. Also, as a rental property owner, it is really hard to find a decent renter because individuals with a bad track record go so far as to making a fake profile under a fake name to secure a rental agreement where they will then pay the first months rent and then proceed to not pay rent, but you cannot kick them out because of "squatters rights". I am not sure if this is anything the town has control over, but even just coming out with some resources for rental property owners on rental contracts, ways to find reputable renters, etc. would be helpful. I know so many people that have had their properties trashed that it makes me want to sell my rental property and not take the chance.	5/3/2024 1:43 PM
26	I'm worried that in the venture to attract more businesses that they won't succeed. I'm finding the employment pool pretty sparse for skilled workers or people able to attend a 40 hr work week.	5/3/2024 7:26 AM
27	This municipality has a lot of great attributes. Let it be known how good it is here.	5/1/2024 9:42 PM

28	Wainwright is a very nice small town	5/1/2024 3:27 PM
29	Have heard rumours of a field house and new pool in the future, this is great news! Would be great to have space for kids and adults to do baseball, football, soccer, lacrosse and any other seasonal sports all year round to stay competitive with larger centres. This would also have the potential to keep more people in town, hopefully increasing local business.	5/1/2024 2:30 PM
30	I've heard of the town turning down the installation of EV charging stations, which seems completely ridiculous. As one of the only significant towns between North Battleford and Edmonton, the installation of EV chargers would provide a significant benefit to the town. I believe we need to strongly reconsider that decision	5/1/2024 2:06 PM
31	The town needs to focus more on our youth. Stop treating them like inmates that are up to no good. There is NO reason why teenagers CAN NOT be allowed to lane swim all days of the week. The youth discrimination is outrageous and way way too much of it in out town office and within our twon counselors.	5/1/2024 2:02 PM
32	Bullying in town at the schools is very large concern. I also need to drive out of town every day to Edgerton for childcare as there are no spaces available in Wainwright even after being on a waitlist since day one of pregnancy. Attraction for prevention of bullying - maybe more activities for teens and youth that are supervised and childcare organizations would be very useful for our town!	5/1/2024 11:19 AM
33	The community also needs to be more welcoming to outsiders. I have been here for a year and just got a job this last month. As soon as you mention you moved to the community and aren't military they don't seem to have the time for you.	5/1/2024 9:26 AM