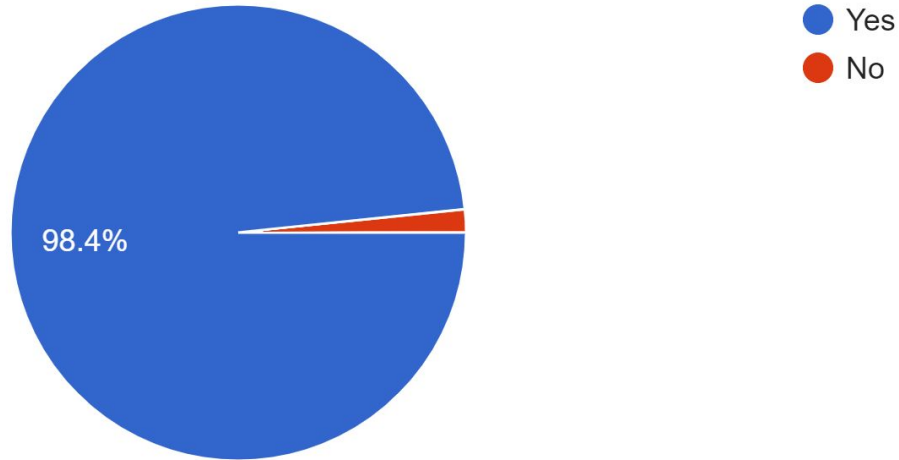


Results of Quadra Island Growing & Eating Local Food

SURVEY #1

Would you like better access to locally grown food?

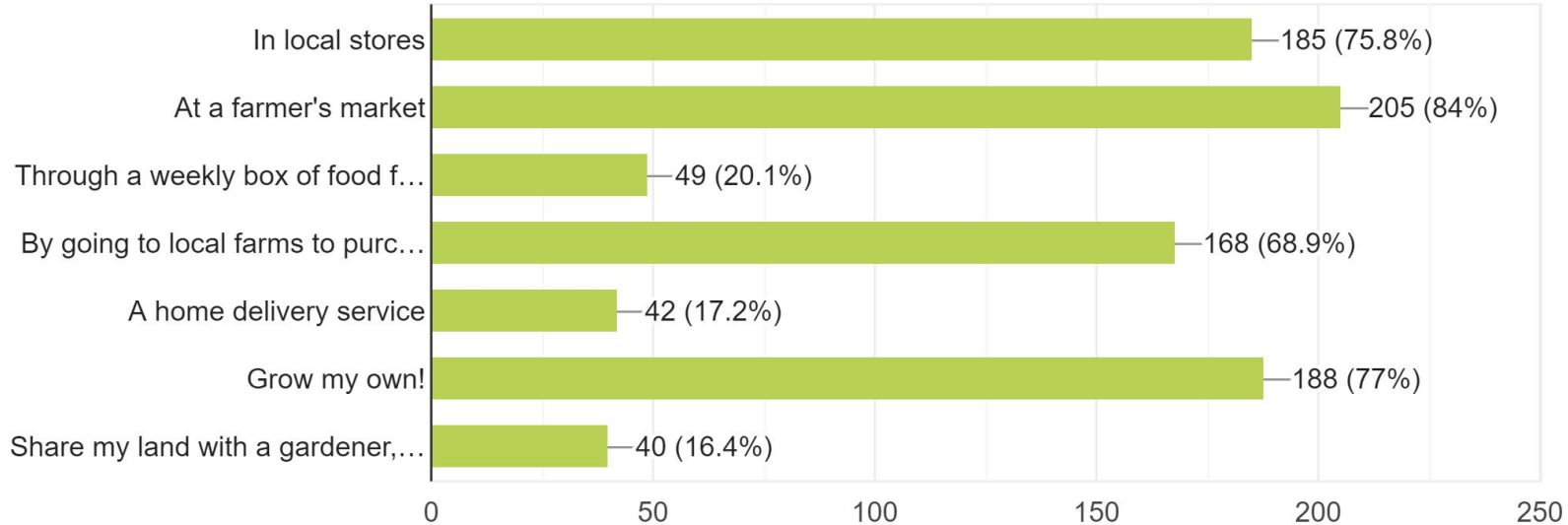
245 responses



Yes - 98.4% or 241 people; No - 1.6% or 4 people

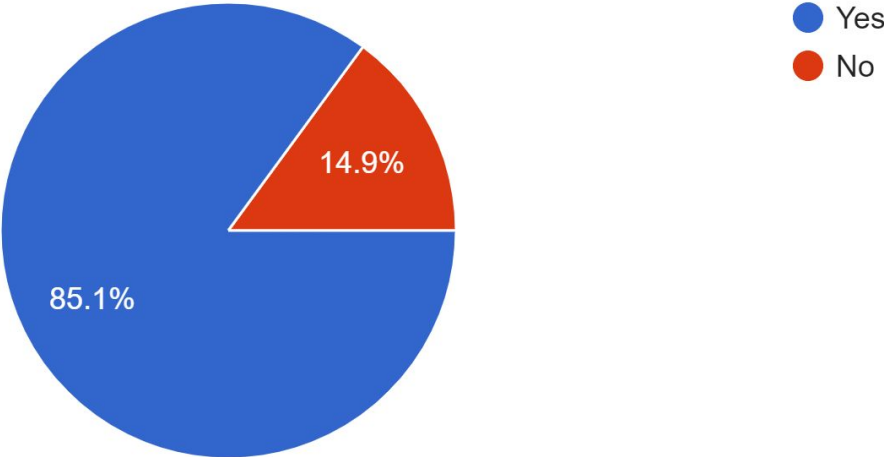
If yes, how would you like to access locally grown food? Check all that apply:

244 responses



Are you currently growing your own food?

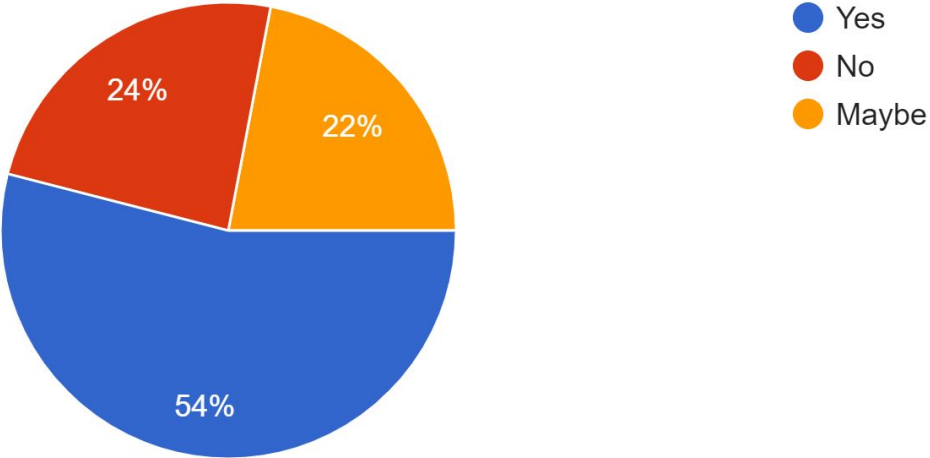
248 responses



Yes 85.1% or 211 people; No 14.9% or 37 people

If no, would you like to start growing your own food?

50 responses

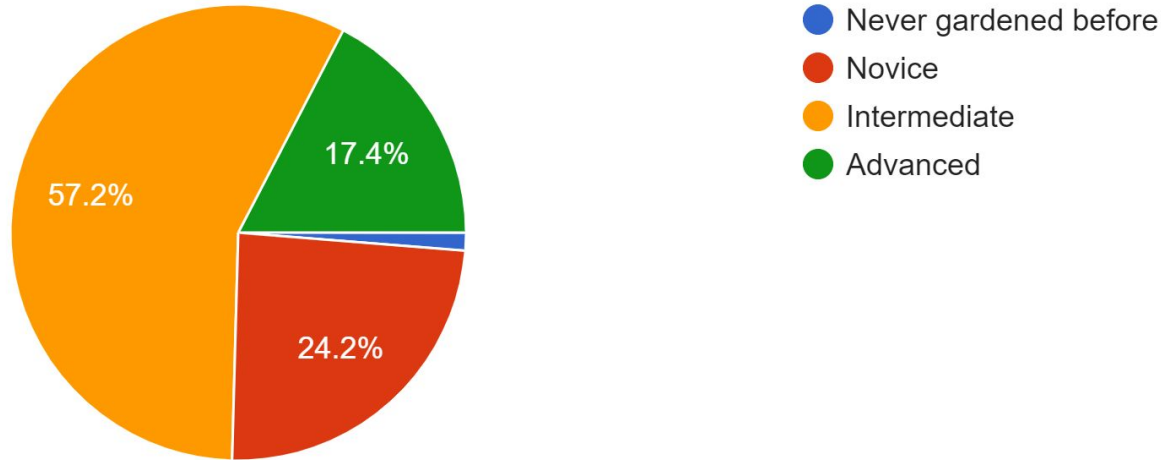


Yes 54 or 27 people; No 24 or 12 people; Maybe 22 or 11 people

Questions Just for Gardeners

What is your level of gardening experience?

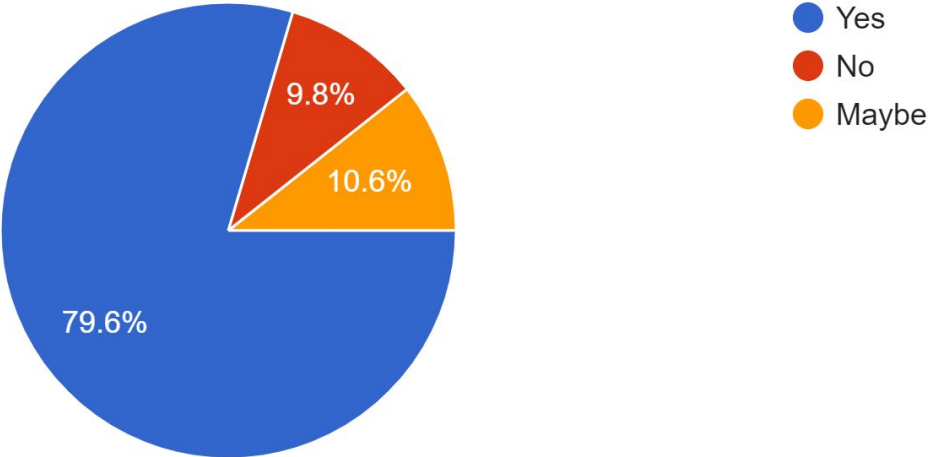
236 responses



Advanced 17.4% or 41 people; Intermediate 57.2% or 135 people; Novice 24.2% or 57 people; Never Gardened Before 1.3% or 3 people

Do you have a good spot for a garden where you live? (E.g. sunny, available water, etc)

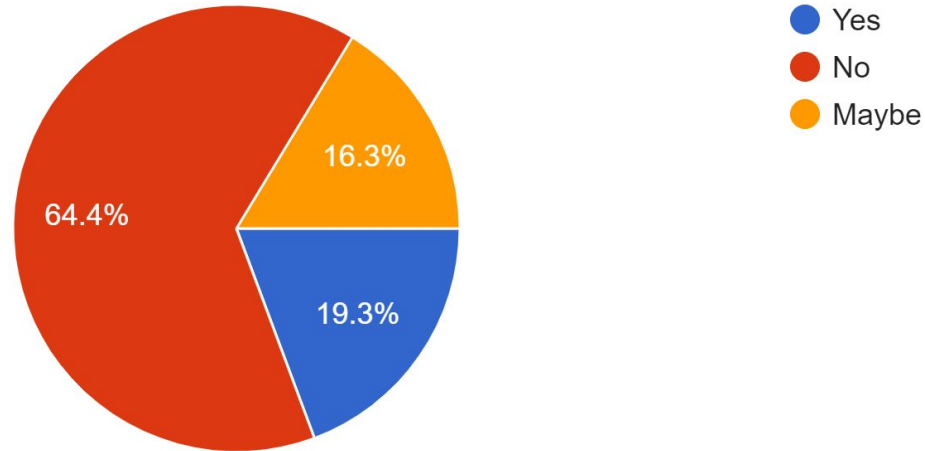
235 responses



Yes 79.6% or 187 people; No 9.8% or 23 people; Maybe 10.6% or 25 people

Are you interested in having a garden (your first or an additional one) in a place other than where you live? (E.g. community garden, sharing a garden with a neighbour, etc)

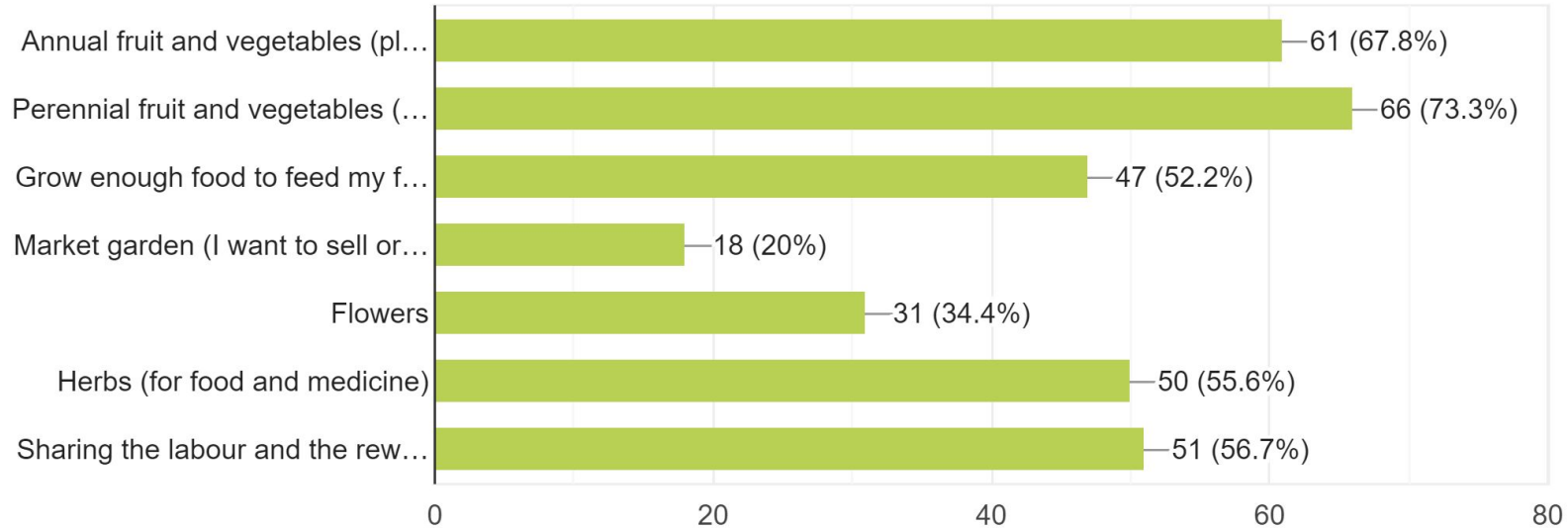
233 responses



Yes 19.3% or 45 people; No 64.4% or 150 people; Maybe 16.3% or 38 people

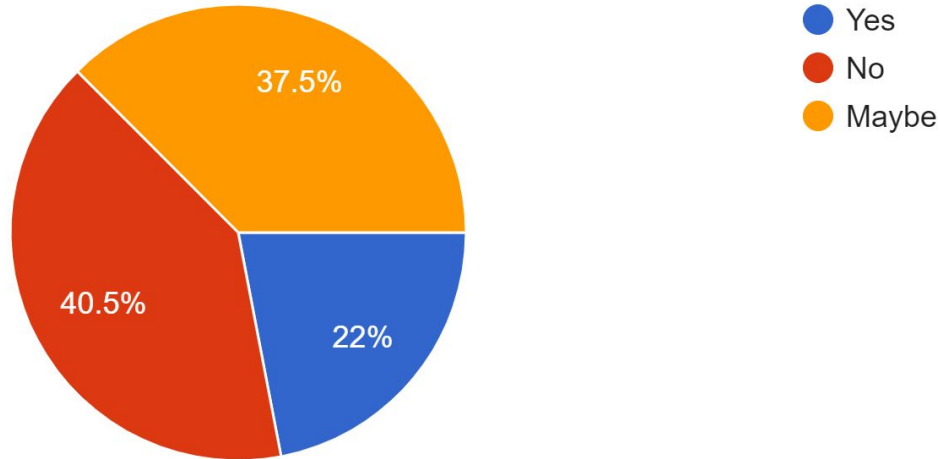
If yes, what would you like to use that garden for? Check all that apply

90 responses



Would you like help building infrastructure for a new or existing garden? (E.g. fences, garden beds)

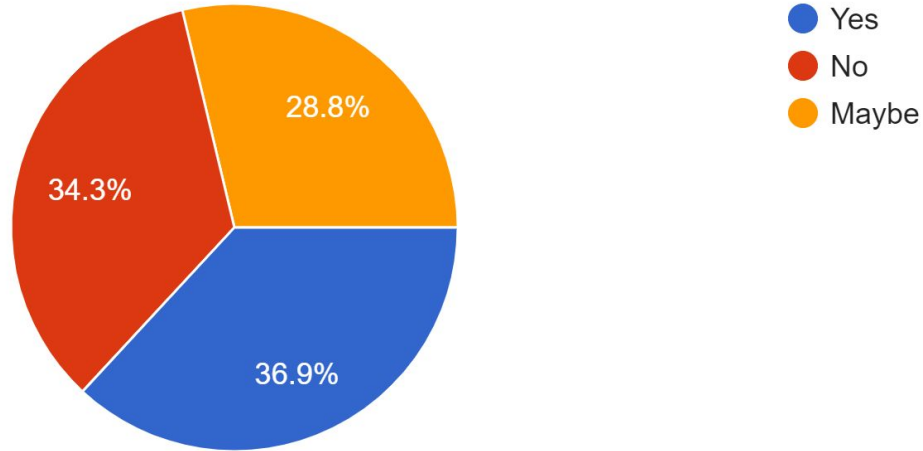
232 responses



Yes 22% or 51 people; No 40.5% or 94 people; Maybe 37.5% or 87 people

Would you like help accessing the resources needed for a new or existing garden? (E.g. tools, seeds, plants, soil, fertility amendments)

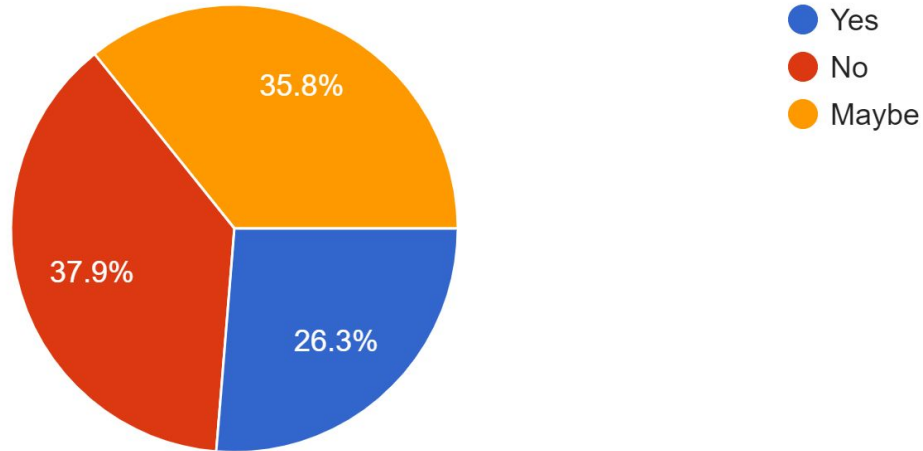
233 responses



Yes 36.9% or 86 people; No 34.3% or 80 people; Maybe 28.8% or 67 people

Would you like help managing the tasks of a new or existing garden? (E.g. planning a garden, preparing garden beds, planting, watering, weeding, harvesting)

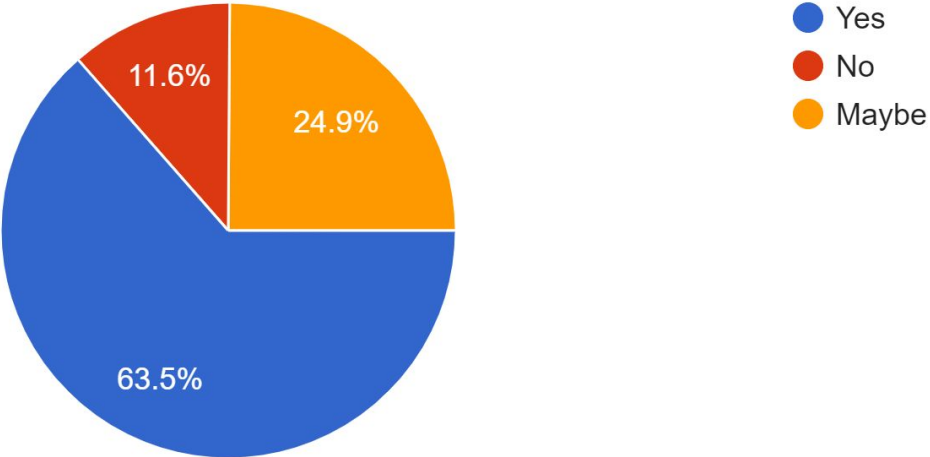
232 responses



Yes 26.3% or 61 people; No 37.9% or 88 people; Maybe 35.8% or 83 people

Do you want to learn how to garden, or to improve your gardening knowledge and skills?

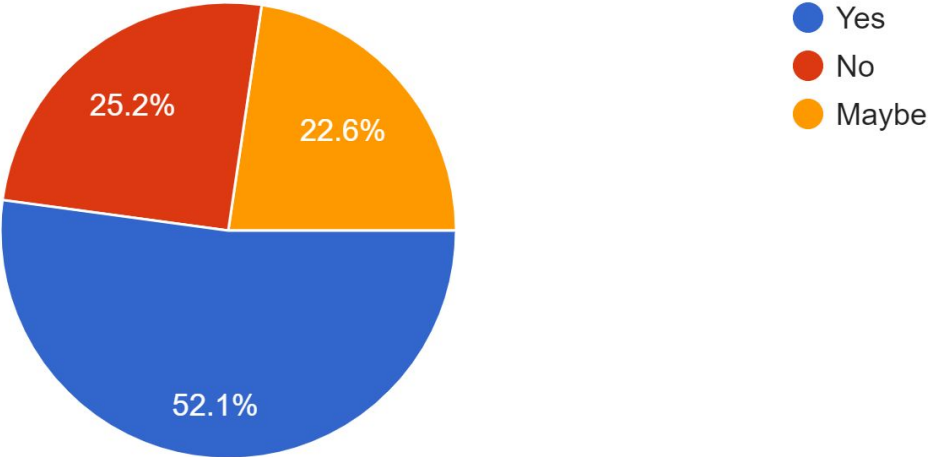
233 responses



Yes 63.5% or 148 people; No 1.6% or 27 people; Maybe 24.9% or 58 people

Do you want to learn how to process and preserve the food you harvest from your garden?

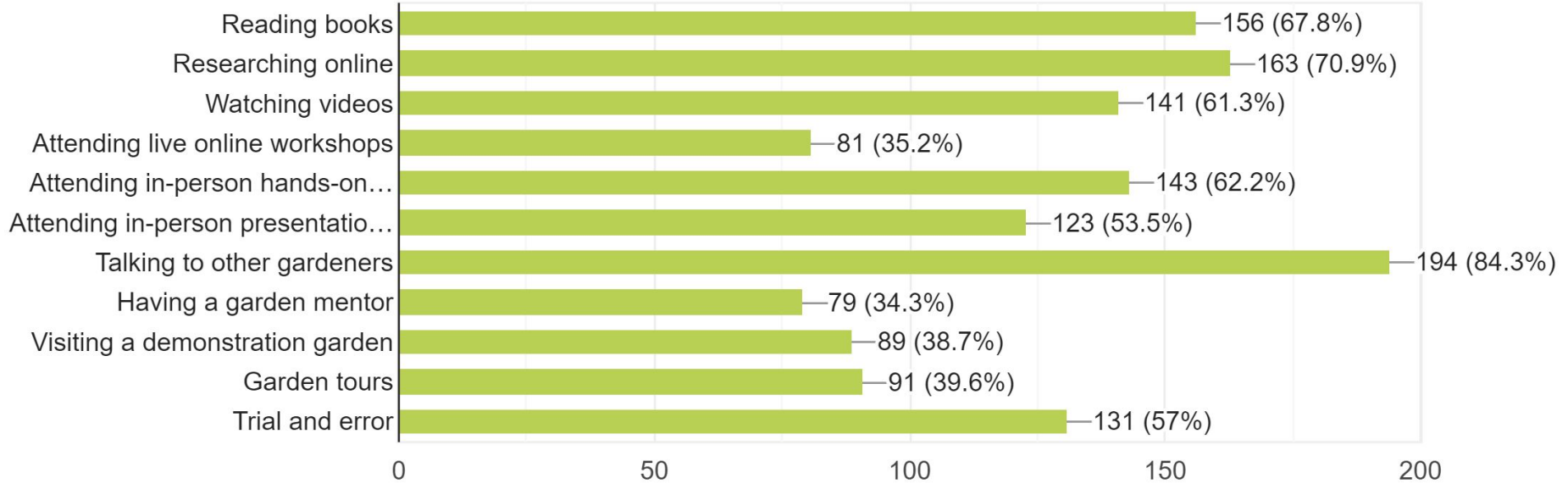
234 responses



Yes 52.1% or 122 people; No 25.2% or 59 people; Maybe 22.6% or 53 people

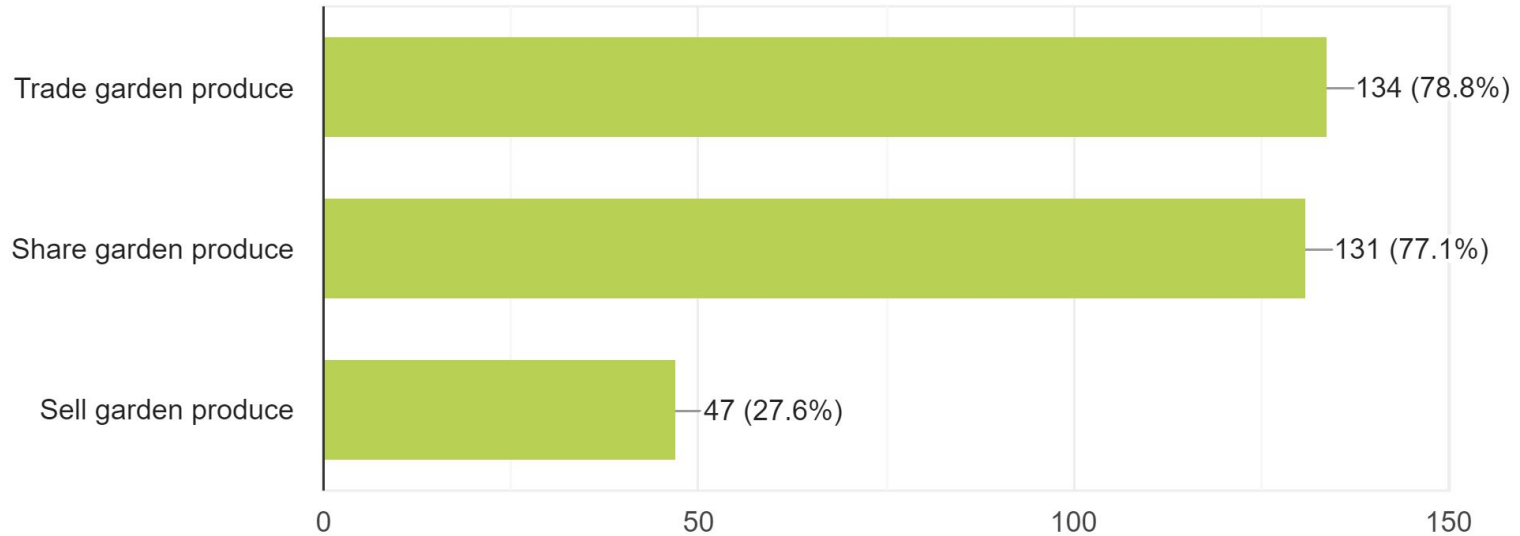
How do you like to learn? Please check all that apply:

230 responses



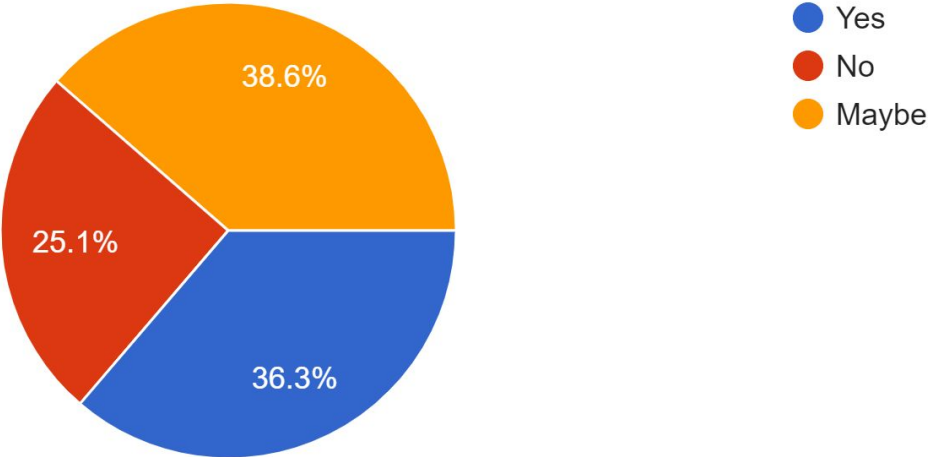
Do you want to do any of the following? (select all that apply)

170 responses



Would you like support sharing, trading, or selling your garden produce?

215 responses



Yes 36.3% or 78 people; No 25.1% or 54 people; Maybe 38.6% or 83 people

Are there any other barriers keeping you from growing, or growing more, of your own food?

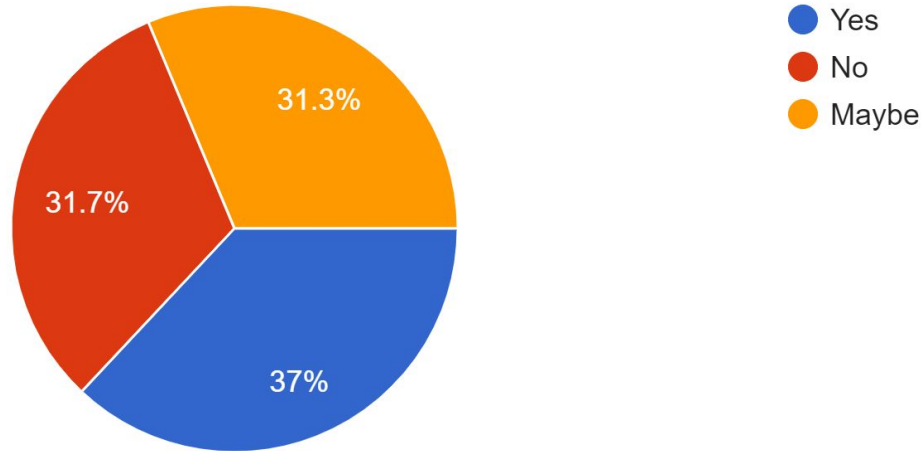
Barrier to gardening - # of people

- Amount Of Time Required – 33
- Space/Land – 21
- Lack Of Sunshine On The Property – 15
- Age – 14
- Health – 14
- Pests, Including Deer – 13
- Effort Required – 12
- Knowledge And Experience – 11
- Cost Of Fencing, Soil, Tools And Supplies – 10
- Issues Associated With Renting – 7
- Lack Of Soil, Wood Chips, Compost, Other Resources And Equipment – 6
- Water – 3
- Part Time Residency – 3
- Lack Of A Means To Transport Materials – 2

Questions for Everyone (Gardeners & Non-Gardeners)

Would you like help to process and preserve seasonally abundant food? (E.g. canning, dehydrating, prepping for storage, root cellaring)

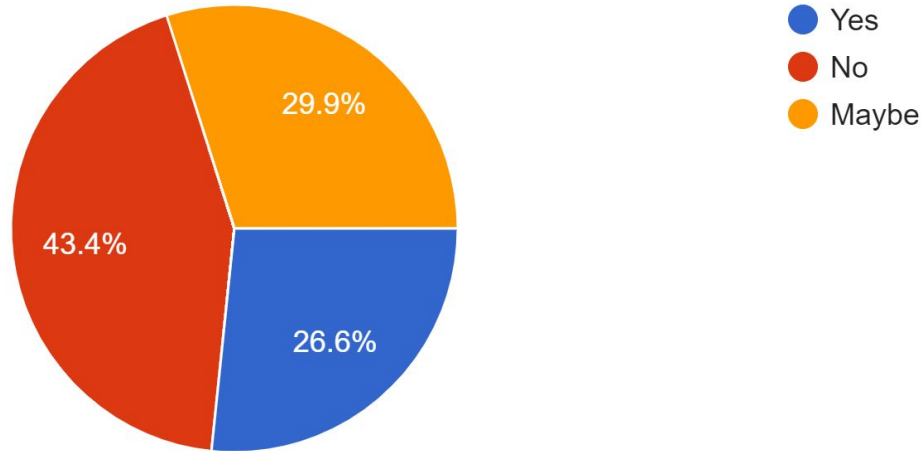
246 responses



Yes 37% or 91 people; No 31.7% or 78 people; Maybe 31.3% or 77 people

Would you like help accessing the tools and space needed to process and preserve seasonally abundant food?

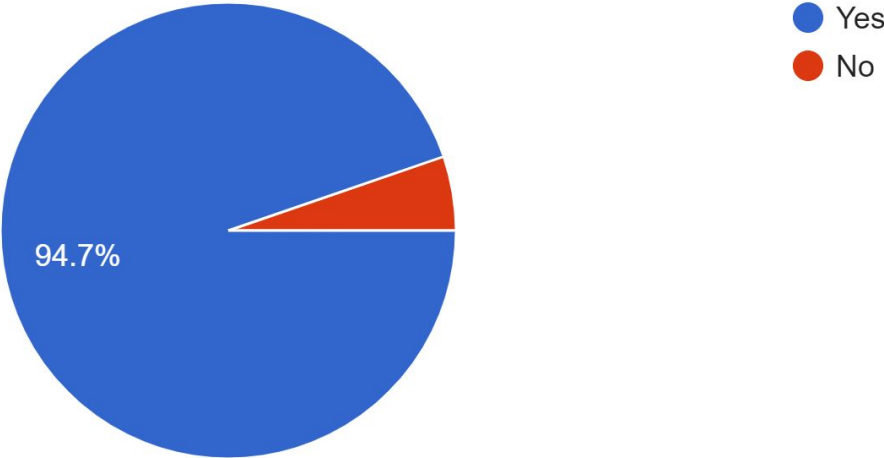
244 responses



Yes 26.6% or 65 people; No 43.4% or 106 people; Maybe 29.9% or 73 people

Do you compost your food and garden waste?

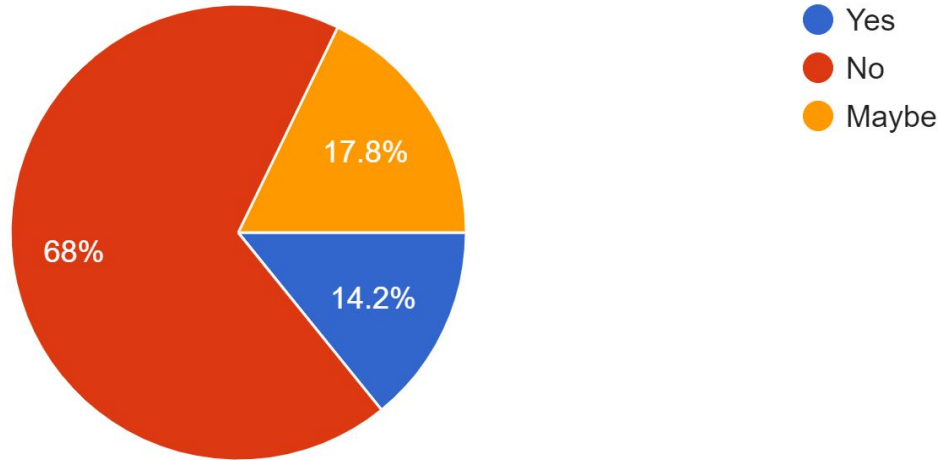
247 responses



Yes 94.7% or 234 people; No 5.3% or 13 people

Would you like help dealing with your food and garden/yard waste?

247 responses



Yes 14.2 % or 35 people; No 68% or 168 people; Maybe 17.8% or 44 people

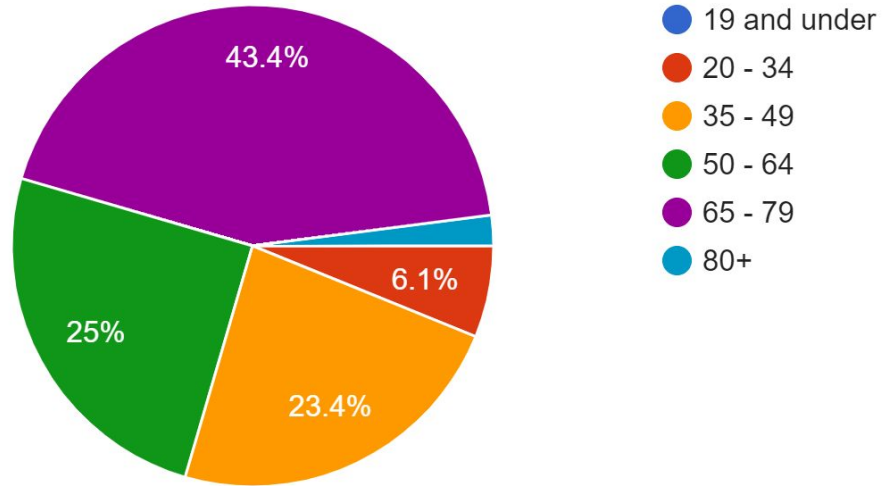
Any other ideas, suggestions, or final comments about growing more food on Quadra?

Some of the suggestions were:

- we are looking to have more readily accessible resources on island, such as straw, hay, manure, and supplies to care for animals;
- We are interested in a community seed bank and seed sharing;
- we are interested in sharing equipment for purposes such as processing fruit juice, canning, composting, dehydrating, mowing our lawns, making wine and beer, growing grain and a greenhouse;
- we are interested in learning more about permaculture, drought resistant gardening, regenerative and organic farming, food processing, farming under trees, harvesting and foraging for wild food, beekeeping, running a market garden and selling food to others;
- We would like to have more communal programs or systems in the areas of food sharing, food distribution, food waste reduction, composting for local stores, drought management, rainwater storage and ponds for agriculture and fire protection, back up water supply, bulk purchase of food staples, garden mentors as well as a system for matching people with resources with those who have needs.

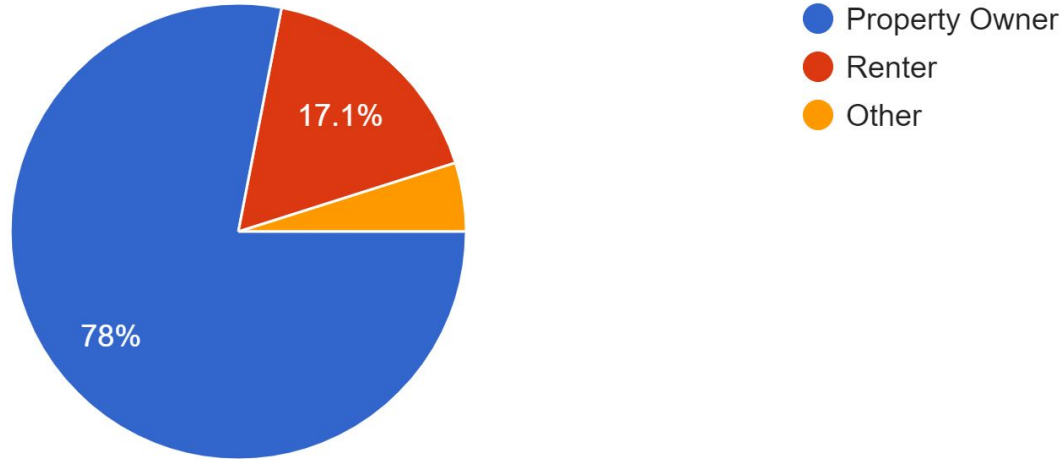
What is your age?

244 responses



What is your housing situation?

246 responses



Where do you live on Quadra? (Community or street)

- Anderson/April Point area - 5
- Bold Point - 6
- Campground - 1
- Cape Mudge - 4
- Copper Bluffs - 5
- Gowland Harbour Rd and area - 6
- Granite Bay - 4
- **Heriot Bay - 50**
- **Heriot Bay Rd and area - 25**
- Hooleyville - 3
- Hopespring/Thompson area - 9

- Hyacinthe Bay Rd and area- 6
- Open Bay - 4
- **Q Cove - 34**
- Seascape - 1
- Smith Rd and area - 19
- South End/Cape Mudge Rd - 23
- Village Bay Lakes - 2
- Walcan - 1
- West Road - 9

Not answered - 31

Would you consider letting someone else have a garden on your land?

238 responses

