

Parent Survey Report: One School in One Data Collection Period

School Name: Deerfield Elementary School

Set ID: 12178

School Group: Douglas County

Month and Year Collected: October 2014

School Enrollment: 478

Date Report Generated: 12/08/2014

% Range of Students Involved in SRTS: Not Applicable

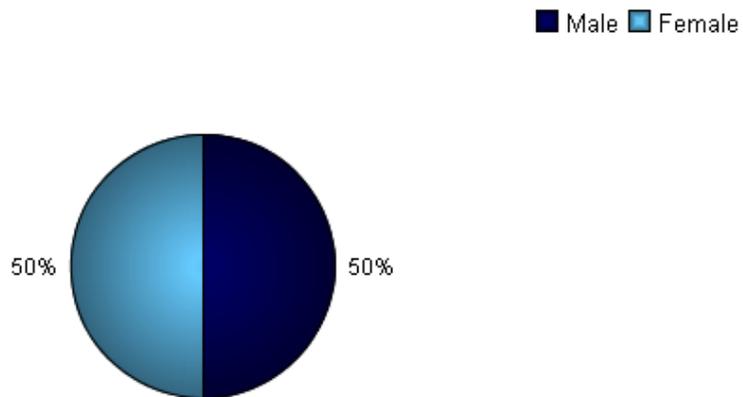
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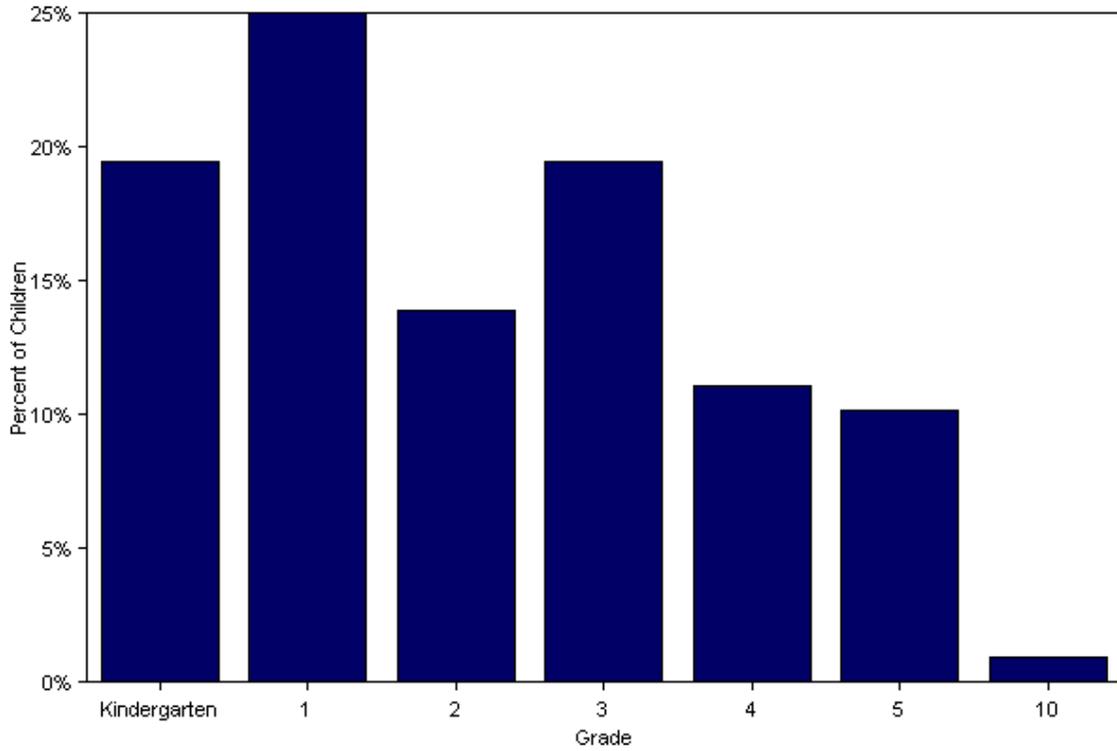
Number of Questionnaires Analyzed for Report: 108

This report contains information from parents about their children's trip to and from school. The report also reflects parents' perceptions regarding whether walking and bicycling to school is appropriate for their child. The data used in this report were collected using the Survey about Walking and Biking to School for Parents form from the National Center for Safe Routes to School.

Sex of children for parents that provided information



Grade levels of children represented in survey



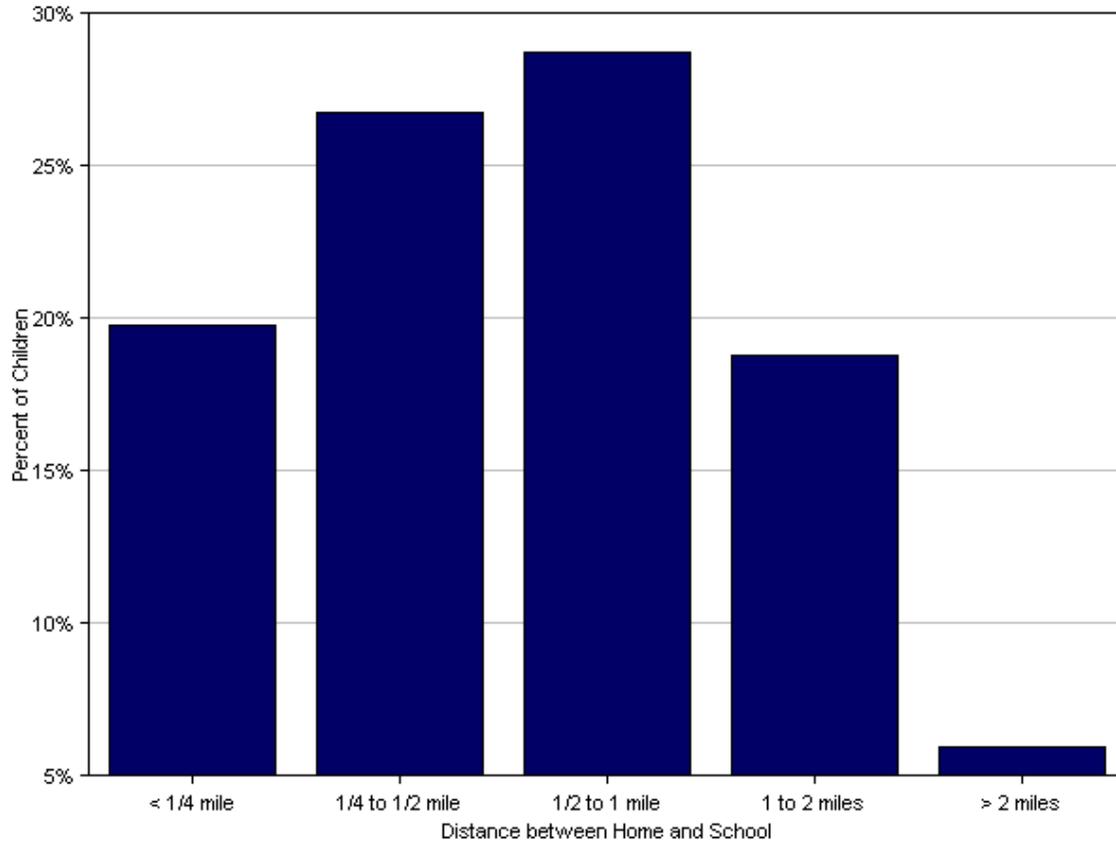
Grade levels of children represented in survey

Grade in School	Responses per grade	
	Number	Percent
Kindergarten	21	19%
1	27	25%
2	15	14%
3	21	19%
4	12	11%
5	11	10%
10	1	1%

No response: 0

Percentages may not total 100% due to rounding.

Parent estimate of distance from child's home to school



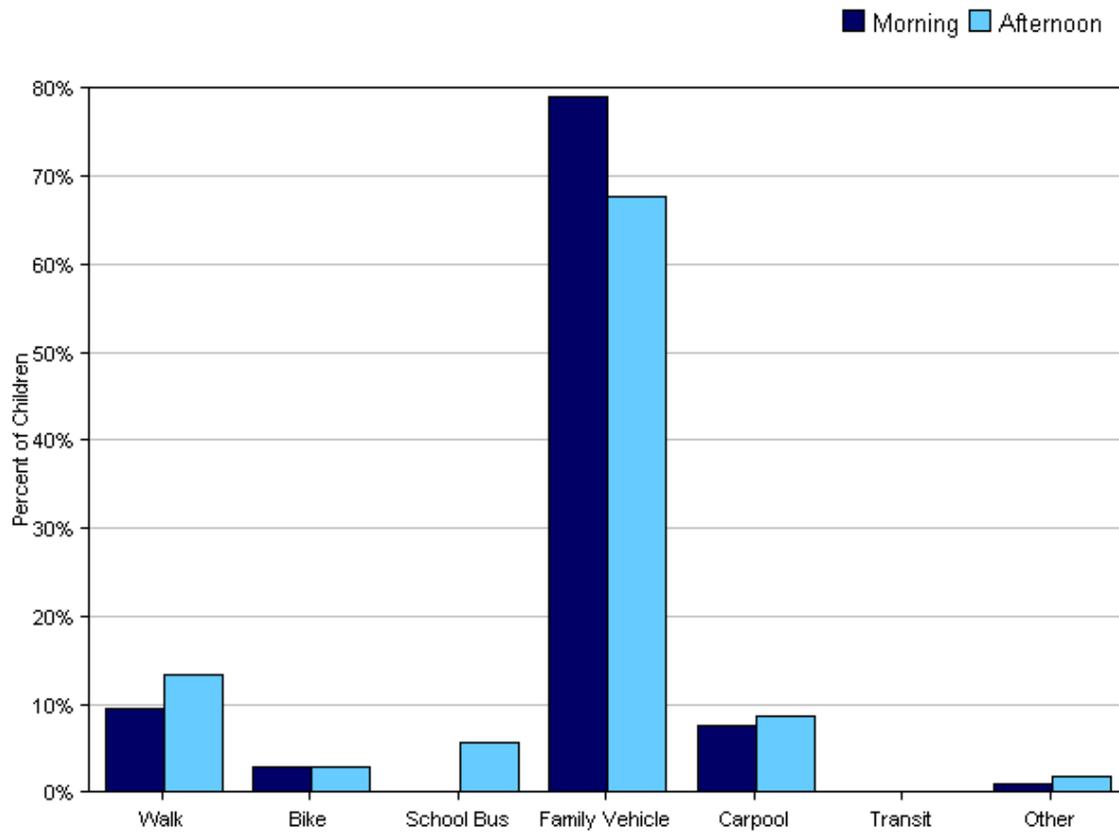
Parent estimate of distance from child's home to school

Distance between home and school	Number of children	Percent
Less than 1/4 mile	20	20%
1/4 mile up to 1/2 mile	27	27%
1/2 mile up to 1 mile	29	29%
1 mile up to 2 miles	19	19%
More than 2 miles	6	6%

Don't know or No response: 7

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Typical mode of arrival at and departure from school



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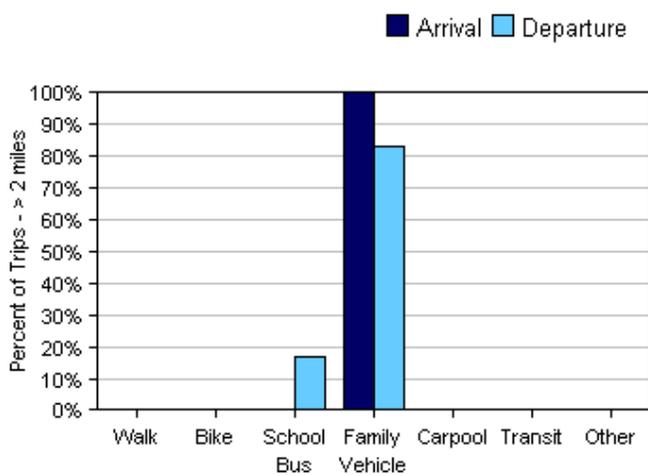
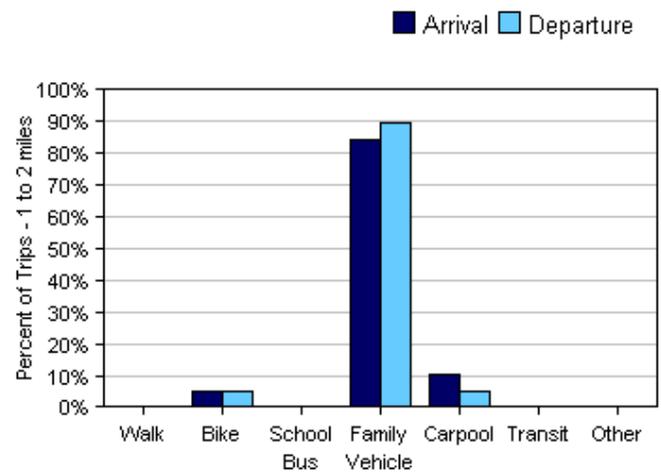
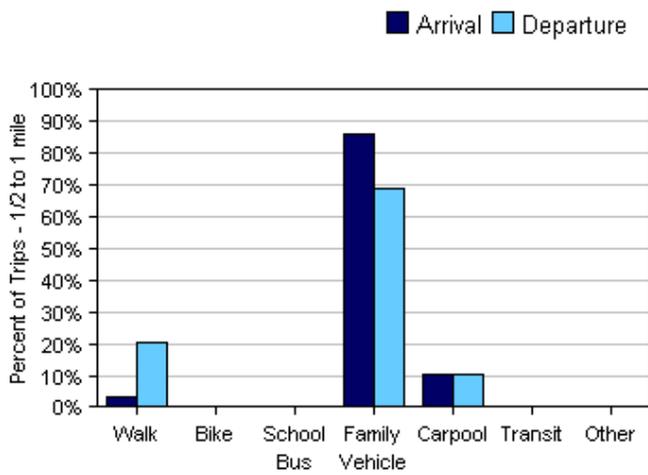
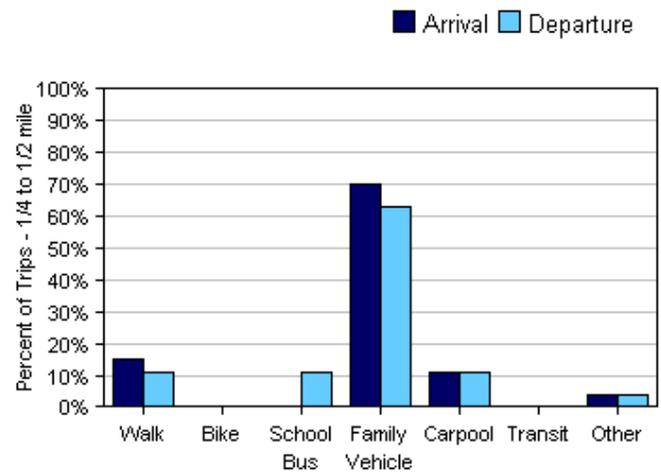
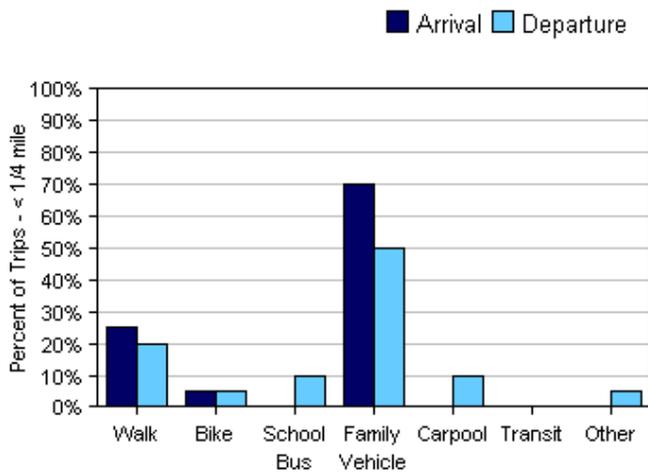
Time of Trip	Number of Trips	Walk	Bike	School Bus	Family Vehicle	Carpool	Transit	Other
Morning	105	10%	3%	0%	79%	8%	0%	1.0%
Afternoon	105	13%	3%	6%	68%	9%	0%	2%

No Response Morning: 3

No Response Afternoon: 3

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Typical mode of school arrival and departure by distance child lives from school



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School Arrival

Distance	Number within Distance	Walk	Bike	School Bus	Family Vehicle	Carpool	Transit	Other
Less than 1/4 mile	20	25%	5%	0%	70%	0%	0%	0%
1/4 mile up to 1/2 mile	27	15%	0%	0%	70%	11%	0%	4%
1/2 mile up to 1 mile	29	3%	0%	0%	86%	10%	0%	0%
1 mile up to 2 miles	19	0%	5%	0%	84%	11%	0%	0%
More than 2 miles	6	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%

Don't know or No response: 7

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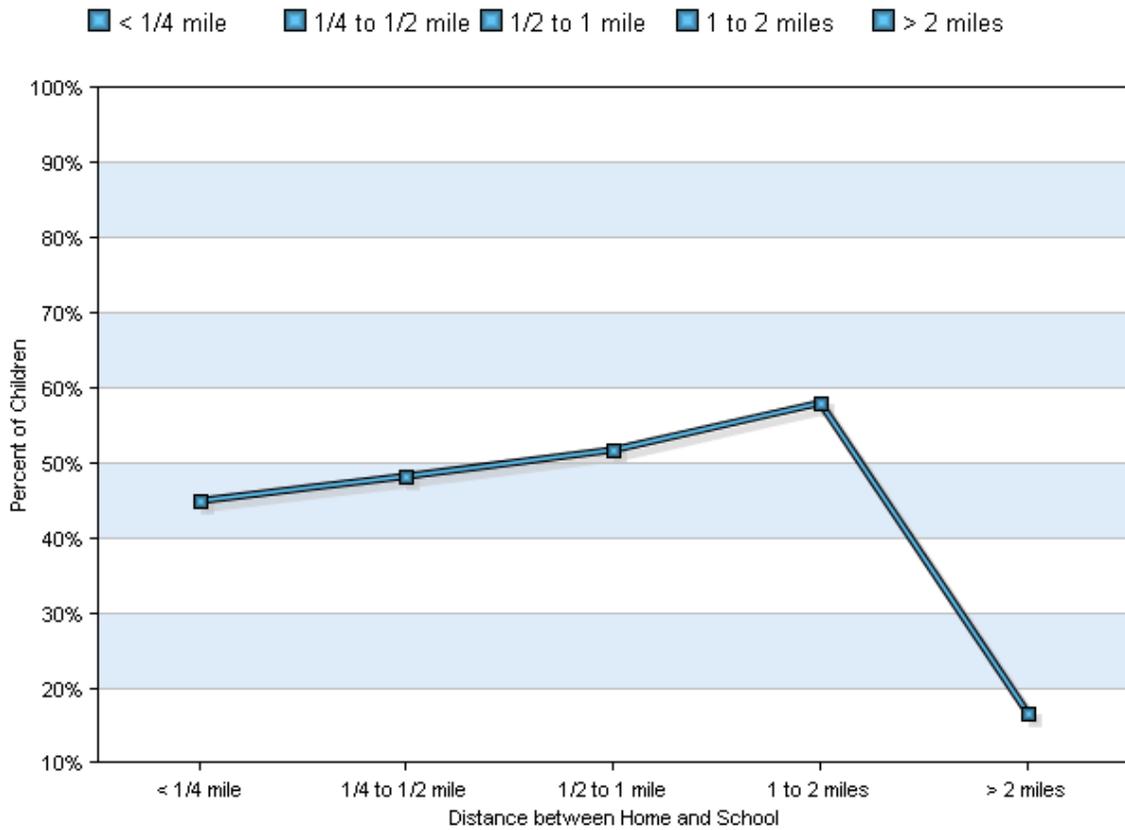
School Departure

Distance	Number within Distance	Walk	Bike	School Bus	Family Vehicle	Carpool	Transit	Other
Less than 1/4 mile	20	20%	5%	10%	50%	10%	0%	5%
1/4 mile up to 1/2 mile	27	11%	0%	11%	63%	11%	0%	4%
1/2 mile up to 1 mile	29	21%	0%	0%	69%	10%	0%	0%
1 mile up to 2 miles	19	0%	5%	0%	89%	5%	0%	0%
More than 2 miles	6	0%	0%	17%	83%	0%	0%	0%

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Percent of children who have asked for permission to walk or bike to/from school by distance they live from school

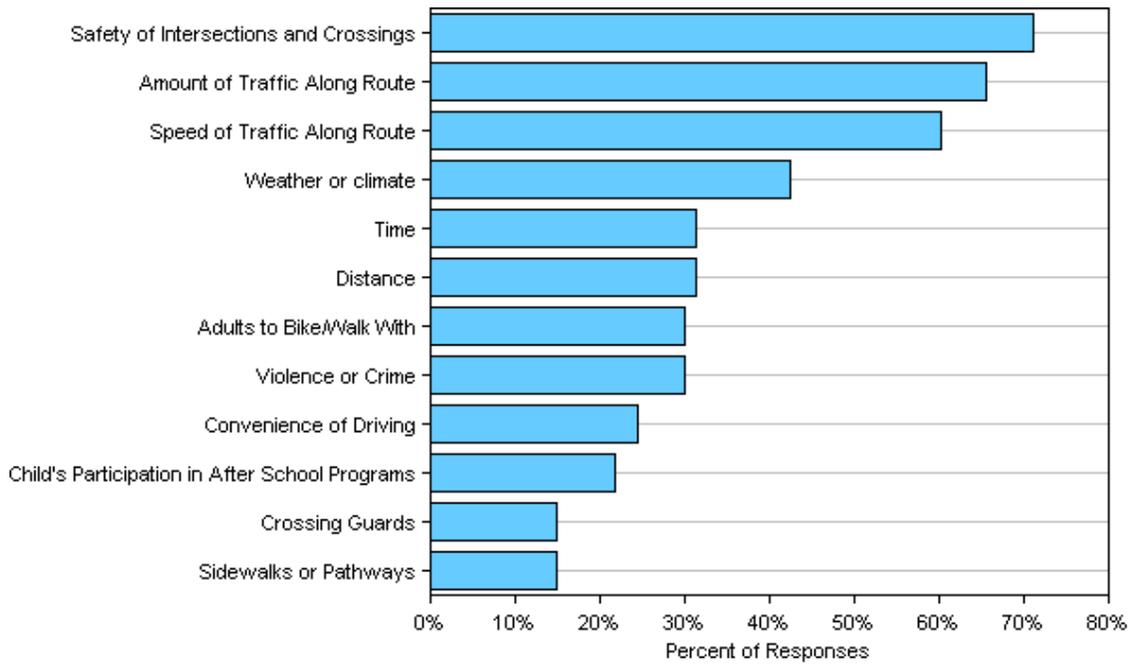


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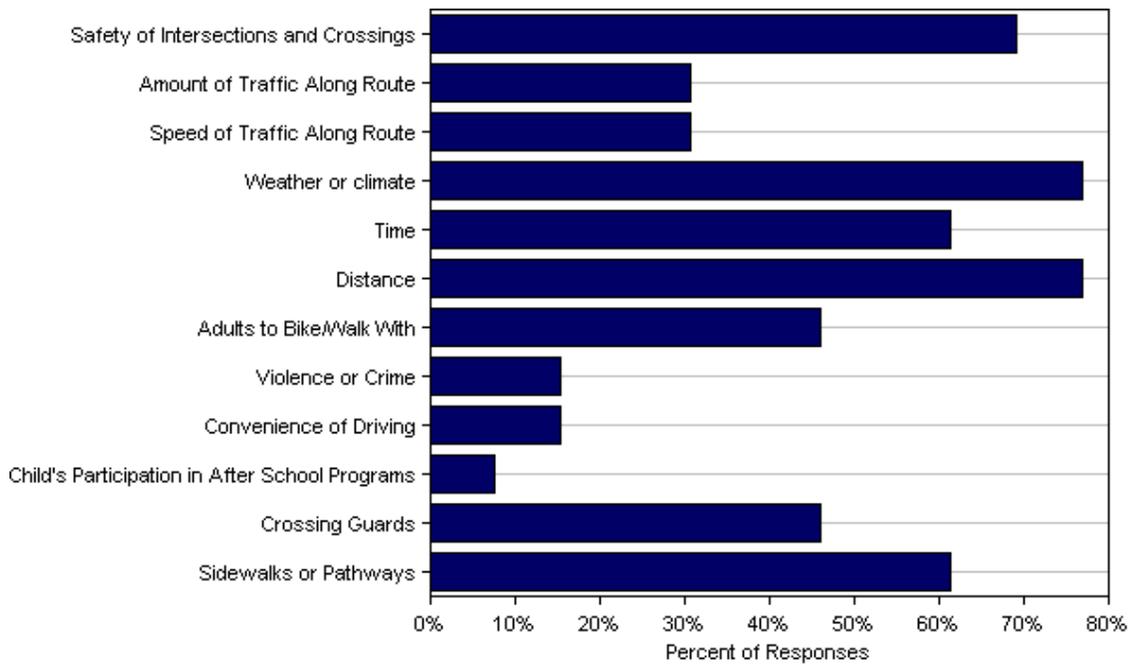
Asked Permission?	Number of Children	Less than 1/4 mile	1/4 mile up to 1/2 mile	1/2 mile up to 1 mile	1 mile up to 2 miles	More than 2 miles
Yes	49	45%	48%	52%	58%	17%
No	52	55%	52%	48%	42%	83%

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Issues reported to affect the decision to not allow a child to walk or bike to/from school by parents of children who do not walk or bike to/from school



Issues reported to affect the decision to allow a child to walk or bike to/from school by parents of children who already walk or bike to/from school



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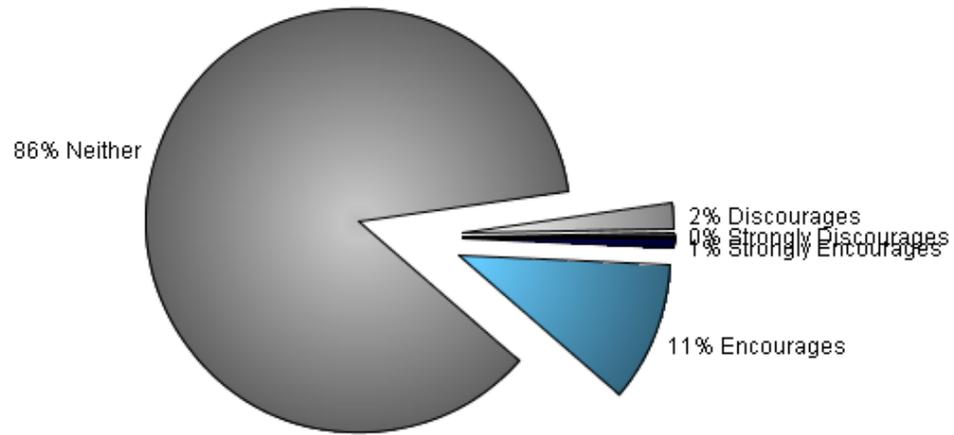
Issue	Child does not walk/bike to school	Child walks/bikes to school
Safety of Intersections and Crossings	71%	69%
Amount of Traffic Along Route	66%	31%
Speed of Traffic Along Route	60%	31%
Weather or climate	42%	77%
Time	32%	62%
Distance	32%	77%
Adults to Bike/Walk With	30%	46%
Violence or Crime	30%	15%
Convenience of Driving	25%	15%
Child's Participation in After School Programs	22%	8%
Crossing Guards	15%	46%
Sidewalks or Pathways	15%	62%
Number of Respondents per Category	73	13

No response: 22

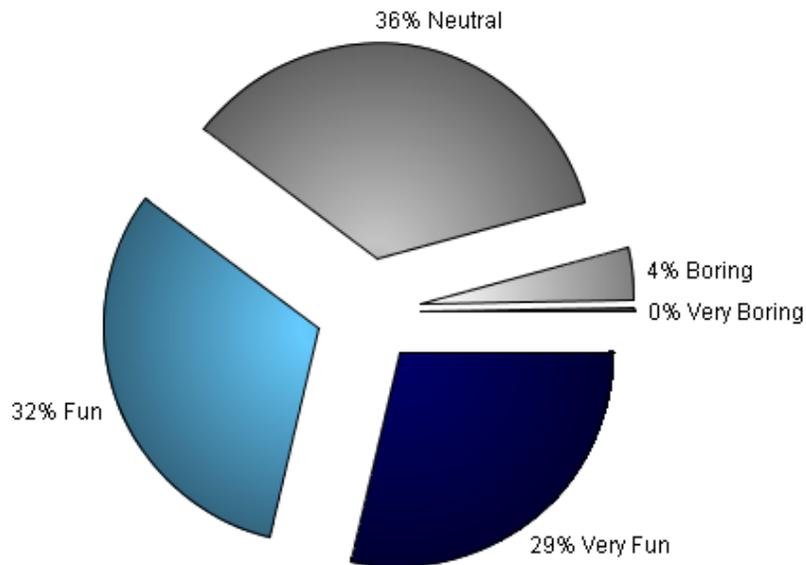
Note:

- Factors are listed from most to least influential for the 'Child does not walk/bike to school' group.
- Each column may sum to > 100% because respondent could select more than issue
- The calculation used to determine the percentage for each issue is based on the 'Number of Respondents per Category' within the respective columns (Child does not walk/bike to school and Child walks/bikes to school.) If comparing percentages between the two columns, please pay particular attention to each column's number of respondents because the two numbers can differ dramatically.

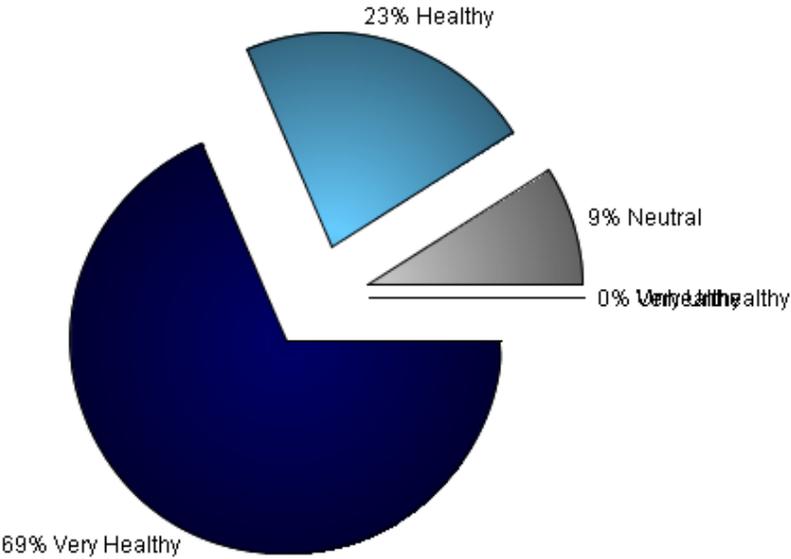
Parents' opinions about how much their child's school encourages or discourages walking and biking to/from school



Parents' opinions about how much fun walking and biking to/from school is for their child



Parents' opinions about how healthy walking and biking to/from school is for their child



Comments Section

SurveyID	Comment
1247583	The main concern for our family is safety - which includes concerns about adult supervision, speed of cars, safe street crossing. We walk whenever we can together, and prefer to walk to school, but this is not always possible because of family schedules and weather.
1247591	I'm so thankful for the crossing guards at Peterson Rd. and Princeton Blvd. They are great. I'm definitely planning on having my child walk or bike to work when they get older. Traffic and general safety are my primary concerns.
1247631	Although healthy and fun - when I walk with my child - the traffic around Deerfield is very bad. I have seen many parents not follow traffic laws & have come close to hitting a child in crosswalks and bike lanes. We have also come close to being hit, while walking, by another parent who was texting & driving. In addition, there is not a School Zone speed limit posted. This is why I choose not to allow my child to walk with their friends.
1247660	With at least 2 high speed intersections with one without a crossing I would not allow her to walk or bike to school.
1247831	If she bikes it is faster than driving with me, I have let her do it in front of me while I walk my kindergartner. I see the intersection of Tomahawk and rock fence as the only problem. Cars travel fast down Tomahawk and in the morning sun in your car driving towards Lawrence avenue it is hard to see.
1248408	Because she is a girl I would not allow her to walk by herself. When I do not have to take the other children to Middle school we have walked to and from school. If there was another adult to walk her to or from school I would be okay with this.
1248805	I would love to allow my child to walk or bike to school if she had supervision.
1248885	It takes more than an hour to walk to and from school because we have to go a long way out of our way to use sidewalks. Driving to school has also become a problem; I like having the parking and bike lanes, but they have made a traffic jam in the mornings. People are constantly pulling out of the parking spots and stopping traffic, and nobody can figure out whether it's OK to pull into the right lane in order to turn. Not having a turn lane from Princeton onto Lawrence Ave is a major impediment in the mornings.
1252828	If the proposed boundary changes go through I must prohibit my child from walking to/from school for 2 reasons: 1. She will need to cross the very busy 6th st. Even though there are crossing guards to help keep children safe across Peterson Rd and 9th st., I can't see Lawrence posting a guard on the much busier 6th st. due to the very small number of elementary school aged children who will be required to travel this route each day. 2. There will be almost no other grade school children walking home this route because so few from our side of 6th st. are being moved to Sunset Hills. It will not be safe for ANY elementary school aged girl to walk this route alone or with one friend because of traffic and stranger danger. The proposed boundary change will eliminate the best opportunity for appropriate daily exercise and isolate future children on Lindley Dr. from knowing the children in their own neighborhood unless they go door to door to find them. It is a dangerous mistake. I am outraged that the timing of the announcement to change the boundary was sent out conveniently after the survey on safe travel routes. None of the information on my survey will be valid! I side comment. We have a very big hill between our house and the school. Terrain should be added to your survey as this hill makes it unsafe to bike from our location and might affect other families.
1266585	We would consider allowing our children to walk/bike to/from school if the intersection of Kasold & Riverview Rd were safer.
1247624	We would like to walk, but don't have time to walk our child there and then home before leaving for work. Its easier to stop and pick him up on the way home rather than drive home and then walk down to pick him up. Too young to walk by himself.
1247645	For our 7th grader, he takes school bus to and from school. there is no safe route home due having to cross 6th street. Would love a pedestrain bridge or city bus that puts him close to Deerfield Elementary and then could walk home. Now it is just not safe...
1247662	With the speed of traffic no crossing and the number of big trucks speeding down 2 of the roads and no crossings he will not be walking to school.
1247792	Deerfield has a crossing guard north of the school, but it would be helpful to have one on the south side as well, along Lawrence Ave.
1247918	It was difficulty when I had an older child that could ride her bike but my under 3rd grader could not, even with her. They ended up walking. We have a cross walk guard at Peterson and Arrowhead which is great. What I do not like is there is NO school zone speed limit around Deerfield itself!!!!

1247929	The directions for #s 10/11 are vague. Depending on which of the two questions someone answers, the responses are bound to be skewed and will affect the validity of this survey, as there is no option to choose which question we are answering. I answered all of them with #10 in mind. I'd have been happy to respond to #11 as well, but it was either one or the other. Confusing for survey takers, and more confusing for those who have to analyze the results.
1247939	A pedestrian crossing would make a big difference for letting my child cross Kasold on Riverview to get to school as I am west of Kasold.
1248340	From our home, there is only one street to cross and there is a cross guard. I would have let him do it in 1st grade but school policy prohibits it and I did not want to have to haul a bike back. I am glad you are asking these questions. Too much unfounded fear these days!
1248389	My son has Autism and the main factor we would not allow him to walk to school or at least don't think we will ever allow him to walk to school alone is because he would get in a car with anyone.
1266583	I just prefer my son doesn't walk home all the different crazy things that go on in the world today
1247630	I feel like this survey was poorly worded, especially the part about the factors in decisions that affect walking. Maybe a comment section would be better instead of yes or no drop down plus having a box to check. The biggest factor in walking for me is that I now have students at the middle school and I have to drive them there since there is no bus, so that prevents me from being able to walk my younger children to school unfortunately. They still walk home on most days when the weather is nice while I drive to the middle school to pick up the other kids.
1247859	The crossing guard at Deerfield does a great job, and she's sorely needed because the intersection is quite busy. We're glad she's there. Would like to see better police enforcement of speed limits and other traffic laws in the neighborhood.
1266587	It does need to be changed I have a nephew who was hit by a car last month traveling from North Lawrence to Central Jr. High. At least extend bus routes.
1247576	My kindergartener walks with his brother who is in 5th grade. next year my middle will be in middle school and i wouldnt trust my then 1st grader to walk alone. we'll have to make other arrangements for pick up
1247665	We tend to run late in the mornings so seldom walk, occasionally bike, always with a parent. We walk home regularly, usually with a parent but with another child would be fine.
1247934	Deerfield has a traffic problem that concerns me for bikers, especially at pick up. At least one driver not affiliated with the school gets mad every day at pickup because there is not a through lane on Lawrence Avenue. They honk and then speed through afterwards. Also, at dropoff, now that the N. parking lot is roped off, many people are parallel parking on Princeton and causing traffic backups which make other drivers mad and then drive by rather quickly when they get an opening. Also, at pickup there is a lot of confusion about what lane to be in when making a right turn from Princeton to Lawrence Avenue. Some get in the bike lane. Others don't. One day there will be an accident. There was even a police officer directing traffic after school once using his intercom in his car to tell people where to turn right
1248564	Inattentive drivers (multitasking, cell phones) is the biggest concern for not allowing my child to walk/bike home.
1248727	too many crazy people out there.
1251822	We allow our boys to walk home from school but not to school. The traffic at Kasold and Peterson is too busy and there is no crossing guard in the mornings. Our boys would LOVE if we allowed them to ride bikes. I am only comfortable allowing them to walk after school, when traffic is slow and the weather is nice.
1266588	Child attends after school program off-site and is picked up by facility van.
1247798	Once my daughter could ride a bike on her own, I bet she would be more willing to ride to school. But the traffic on Princeton Blvd concerns me. I would be more willing to let her walk if the sidewalk on Princeton Blvd was finished west to Kingston.
1248463	At this point there is not a situation that would make me comfortable with my daughter bilking to school. It is too far, no sidewalks, too much time, too much traffic. I feel that the Parking Lot on the north side of the school that has now been blocked off was a great place to use to drop off kids. At this location, the kids did not have to cross in front of traffic, now with either parking on the street or parking in the other parking lot our kids have to cross traffic twice in different directions. It is now more crowded and more dangerous. Although, it could appear that the North parking lot was not safe, I think it has created a bigger safety issue blocking it off.