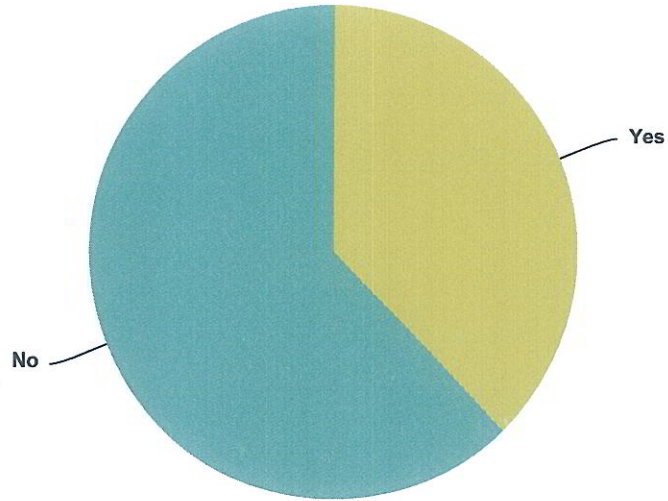


Visitors Survey

**Q1 Do you or does someone in your family own property in Dewey Beach?**

Answered: 167 Skipped: 1

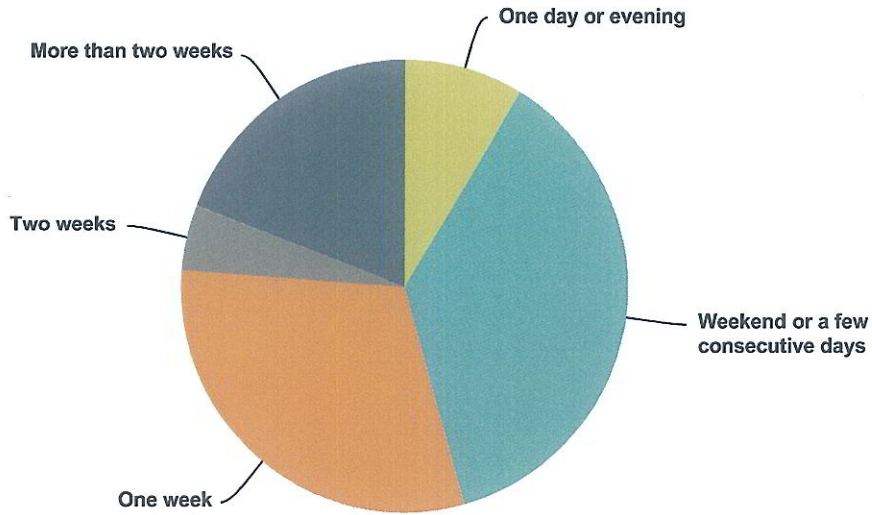


Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	37.72%	63
No	62.28%	104
Total		167

# Visitors Survey

## Q2 How long is your current or most recent stay in Dewey Beach?

Answered: 105 Skipped: 63

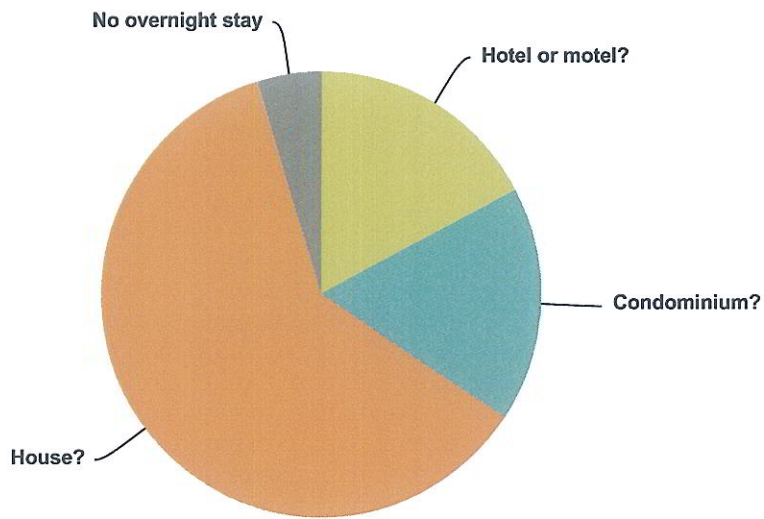


Answer Choices	Responses	
One day or evening	8.57%	9
Weekend or a few consecutive days	37.14%	39
One week	30.48%	32
Two weeks	4.76%	5
More than two weeks	19.05%	20
<b>Total</b>		<b>105</b>

# Visitors Survey

## Q3 Did you stay or are you staying in a

Answered: 105 Skipped: 63

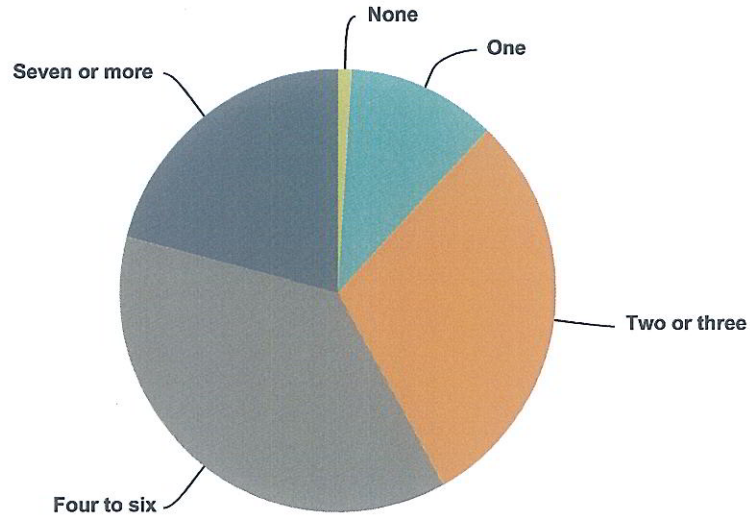


Answer Choices	Responses	
Hotel or motel?	17.14%	18
Condominium?	17.14%	18
House?	60.95%	64
No overnight stay	4.76%	5
<b>Total</b>		<b>105</b>

# Visitors Survey

## Q4 How many people stayed with you in the same accommodations?

Answered: 100 Skipped: 68

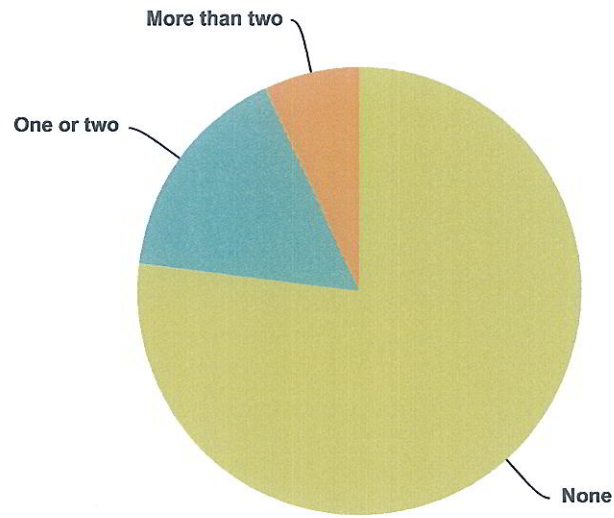


Answer Choices	Responses	
None	1.00%	1
One	11.00%	11
Two or three	30.00%	30
Four to six	37.00%	37
Seven or more	21.00%	21
<b>Total</b>		<b>100</b>

# Visitors Survey

## Q5 How many children were in your party (age 17 or younger)

Answered: 100 Skipped: 68



Answer Choices	Responses	
None	77.00%	77
One or two	16.00%	16
More than two	7.00%	7
<b>Total</b>		<b>100</b>

## Visitors Survey

Q6. Among the following issues or characteristics, please indicate the top five that you believe are the most positive about Dewey Beach. (Please rank them from 1 to 5, with 1 being the most positive.)

Answer Options	1	2	3	4	5	Response Count
Walking access to restaurants, eateries, and other food establishments	22	10	4	9	11	56
Accessibility of ocean beach	13	7	10	15	5	50
Nighttime entertainment	12	13	10	7	7	49
Clean and safe beach	11	14	8	7	8	48
Party atmosphere	13	10	9	4	8	44
Safe and secure nighttime environment	3	10	8	14	9	44

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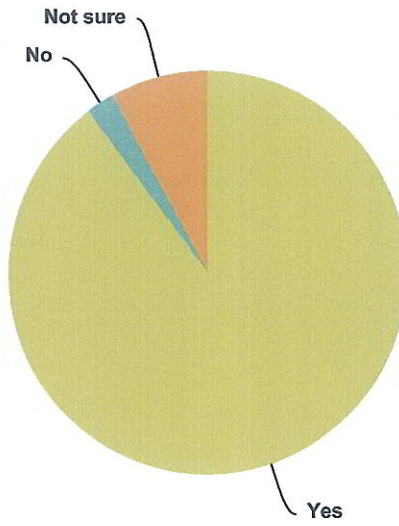
Please indicate which of the following you think are the top five most in need of improvement or change during the next five years. (Please rank them from 1 to 5, with 1 being the most in need of improvement.)

Answer Options	1	2	3	4	5	Response Count
<b>Pedestrian safety</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>52</b>
<b>Availability of public restrooms</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>47</b>
<b>More year-round restaurants</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>More special events (town or business-sponsored)</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Public transportation options</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>Shopping and convenience outlets in town</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>32</b>

# Visitors Survey

## Q8 Do you plan to return to Dewey Beach for another stay?

Answered: 88 Skipped: 80

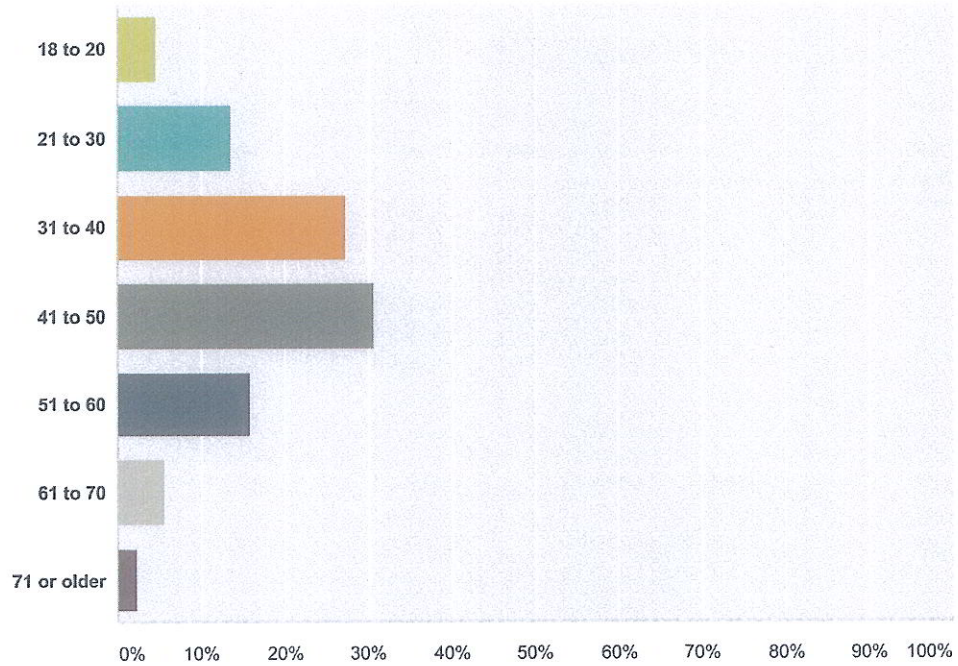


Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	89.77%	79
No	2.27%	2
Not sure	7.95%	7
<b>Total</b>		<b>88</b>

# Visitors Survey

## Q9 What is your age?

Answered: 88 Skipped: 80



Answer Choices	Responses	Count
18 to 20	4.55%	4
21 to 30	13.64%	12
31 to 40	27.27%	24
41 to 50	30.68%	27
51 to 60	15.91%	14
61 to 70	5.68%	5
71 or older	2.27%	2
<b>Total</b>		<b>88</b>

**Q10 If you have additional comments about Dewey Beach, please include them in the space below.**

Answered: 45 Skipped: 123

Options Relaxing Improvement Activities Fun Able  
Parking Pet Friendly Beach Small Town  
Love Bars and Restaurants Summer Police  
Safety Kids Party

## Visitors Survey

### Q10 If you have additional comments about Dewey Beach, please include them in the space below.

Answered: 45 Skipped: 123

#	Responses	Date
1	Hire police that are capable of understanding and controlling the Dewey lifestyle.	10/20/2016 11:05 PM
2	My son (13)and i with our 2 pugs go at least every 3rd weekend from friday to monday eve.. we love it .i have my froend and he has his friends ... we are right at the lions club..	10/12/2016 8:31 PM
3	Having more clubs in Dewey that kids under 21 can attend would be beneficial.	10/9/2016 8:55 AM
4	It was relaxing. Need more breakfast options	10/2/2016 4:55 PM
5	People are really nice. We stayed at motel at start of stay. Pet friendly. Restaurant and hotel staff pleasant and accommodating	9/27/2016 2:04 PM
6	For those that live and work in town, the ability to only challenge parking fines (which are often unwarranted) between 11-4 three days a week is not acceptable. Furthermore, after making special arrangements to be available during this time, I was informed the judge had left for the day and my options were to come back next week (after it was too late to appeal) or pay the fine. Again, this is unacceptable, and illustrative of parking fines being more a matter of revenue generation rather than ensuring a well functioning parking system.	9/23/2016 4:11 PM
7	Unfortunately, I see a change in Dewey since I started going in 1992. In '92 it was small inexpensive homes, inexpensive rentals and affordable places to go out to. Now, those with money, are knocking down the old homes and building homes valued at \$800k plus changing Dewey into an unaffordable attraction for hardworking Americans who don't want to commercialized beaches of Ocean City and Rehoboth.	9/22/2016 10:30 AM
8	Best Western was a very good place to stay.	9/20/2016 7:35 PM
9	I love that Dewey is a dog friendly town but leash laws need to be enforced more. We were a little concerned with how many dogs were off leash at the beach. Sadly some owners don't realize that not all dogs are friendly. I've been vacationing in Dewey for several years and enjoy that everything is within walking distance. However, it was sad to see so much trash everywhere. I think we saw a cleanup crew come through later in the week but the amount of trash was definitely something that stuck with us on our walks back from dinner.	9/19/2016 3:49 PM
10	PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER PETE WAS VERY HELPFUL TO US.	9/18/2016 8:04 PM
11	Dewey is cool and fun	9/18/2016 4:39 PM
12	I love Dewey Beach. We've been coming since I was a little girl and we will continue to come. I would like to see accurate hours and off-season info on local businesses. Online says they are open when in actuality they are not, so this was not convenient at all.	9/17/2016 3:33 PM
13	The parking people on bicycles target unsuspecting tourists. Some of the spots are poorly labelled, and I watched as several unsuspecting people who went to Rusty Rudder got tickets. I got one even though the lot was flooded and the numbers were covered up while I was parked for FIVE MINUTES checking into the Hyatt. Terrible way for town to raise revenue. We will not return.	9/10/2016 10:07 AM
14	Been visiting Dewey Beach since the late 80's. More improvement necessary for trash clean up on streets and in front of establishments. Too many wrappers, food containers & cigarette butts line the curbs. We miss seeing the Osprey nest pole near the Bay a Resort! Please have a local Boy Scout Troop erect another one in its place. Also many Route 1 street lights on the median were out/dark. Would like to see newer & cleaner public utility & safety signs replaced. Town stop signs are bent and faded. Great job on maintaining the cleanliness of the beach & posting all rules near the entrances. Thank you so much for continuing with the dog-friendly beach access & providing poop bags near the entrances. Terrific & professional life guard staff and many dog-friendly spots to grab food. Love Dewey Beach!	9/8/2016 11:33 PM
15	Best place ever, don't change! Keep it fun for all ages! Starboard should take over Northbeach.	9/7/2016 9:27 PM
16	Wider sidewalks, in better condition, would be a big improvement.	9/6/2016 4:57 PM
17	Where did you get the nasty biting flies? 9/6/16 5PM I got bit 4 times in 10 minutes on Van Dyke. Not any better on Dickenson. Won't come back if I have to share the beach with biting flies. they aren't even this bad in the Carolinas.	9/6/2016 4:53 PM

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18	Most of your improvement opportunities seem to be related to the current state of Dewey Nightlife... which I think is great and would not change. What I would improve are the building codes that somehow allowed the Hyatt to be built. You need to do more to keep the "look and feel" in keeping with a small town feel. In addition, promote local businesses.	9/5/2016 10:44 PM
19	Dewey is one place in which tons of folks from DC, MD, VA go to relax and have a good time. There are plenty of more "family friendly" beaches around for those that want a family friendly atmosphere. There are enough hotels now. If Dewey gets more stricter in enforcement of drunkenness, people will stop coming because of bad experiences. Lack of the party crowd coming means less money in businesses all around. People come to Dewey to drink and have fun and they spend lots of money to do so. I'd like to see a bug Tiki bar go into place there.	9/5/2016 1:26 PM
20	We've been coming to Dewey for 15 years since we were young singles. We've enjoyed being able to now bring our children & extended families - including our beloved dog! - but it's getting harder and harder to find a family rental that isn't next to a "party" rental. While I am sympathetic to the let-loose needs of twenty somethings, it means we can't enjoy the outdoor areas of our rentals, can't leave windows open for a shore breeze, and don't always feel welcome in town I general. We live in Philly and the shore towns there are obviously closer to our home, so we're finding that we spend more & more time in those shore communities. We love Dewey's walkability, community esp. when it comes to dogs, running, etc., and it's familiarity...but not if our family can't get sleep at night :) Appreciate the opportunity to give our opinion!	9/3/2016 2:30 PM
21	The town is too focused on parking tickets. It creates an unwelcoming environment. I love Dewey as it is beach, bars and restaurants. Keep out the national chains and NO MORE HIGH RISE ESTABLISHMENTS LIKE HYATT PLACE.	9/3/2016 6:04 AM
22	I have a family and I bring them to DB sometimes, but please stop trying to tame the town.	9/3/2016 12:52 AM
23	Great summer vacation town. More attention may need to be paid to safety on certain days for not only the vacationers but your own safety personnel. (See Tuesday Night Brawls)	9/2/2016 4:16 PM
24	Been spending two summer weeks at Dewey for 41 years. My children and grand children have never missed a summer there. We also visit during off season too, spring and fall.	9/2/2016 3:47 PM
25	Local, grew and raised in VA-- Been going to Dewey since the early 3 decades or more. As our local beach from High School ( aside from OC) and it was our heaven, " a wy of Life" Now, it has been developed so quickly, the people are rude and the famiar, we all get along, easy going times are no more. The nouveau riche has ruin it. There is crime NOW!! more crime each year, and we don't feel save any more. Too much too quick-- Fail -	8/31/2016 4:48 PM
26	Let people sleep in their cars. Safety first.	8/31/2016 3:05 PM
27	I enjoy the fact that Dewey is an "adult" beach that is pet friendly. I would be very disappointed if it became more of a "family" beach. There are already a ton of beaches that cater to families. Let's keep Dewey an adult location. I'm not interested in vacationing in a location with a ton of children. That part of my life is over. Keep Dewey the way it has always been.	8/31/2016 2:07 PM
28	On you list of things that need possible improvement, add parking for cars.	8/30/2016 9:31 PM
29	It was a dream come true to be allowed to walk my little dog on the beach! And every single person, and dog, that we met, was super-friendly, and every single person was super-helpful explaining where places were, and making us feel not just welcome, but WELCOMED. I'll be looking for my "retirement home" in your lovely place! :)	8/30/2016 8:46 PM
30	Keep the culture and atmosphere from the 80s and 90s. But start cracking down on the garbage that is flowing in during the week and from NJ/NY. Every beach has a certain vibe and demographic. Rehoboth is well Rehoboth, Bethany is a family beach, and you retire to Fenwick. Stop trying to be something your not. Dewey is a place for singles to cut loose...	8/30/2016 5:15 PM
31	Dewey is great as a married parent who wants a weekend away either with or without the kids. It was also great when I was a young, single, professional who wanted a weekend to have fun. Being enjoyable to both phases of my life is what I love about Dewey. Keep it up!	8/30/2016 9:47 AM
32	I have enjoyed Dewey Beach for over 20 yrs. I appreciate parking the car for the wkend and walking everywhere (or taking the trolley), it might be a nice addition if the trolley also went to Bethany occasionally (though that is farther). In general I feel pretty safe there (leaving doors unlocked etc), but in recent years accidents and crime have increased (though that is likely a sign of the times). As a dog owner, I'm particularly drawn to the dog-friendly nature of the beach. I also enjoy the live bands that come to Dewey for entertainment and the weekly activities like movies on the beach and bonfires. I have not had a problem with the wkend crowds or noise on the wkends, and personally find the noise ordinance a bit much - we were once reprimanded for playing a family board game on the deck at 8pm :( The laughter was too loud??? Seemed ridiculous and certainly spoiled a family moment. Also the parking enforcement can be overboard - getting tickets while unloading cars :( It sometimes feels as though they are looking for reasons to ticket ppl.	8/30/2016 9:01 AM
33	Parking options should be expanded.	8/30/2016 7:57 AM

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34	No more condos. Population density is getting too high, which is the real cause of some of the problems Dewey faces - too many people in a small town.	8/30/2016 6:26 AM
35	Weeks spent in Dewey this year (10-15). Thanks for a great year!	8/30/2016 6:21 AM
36	I have issues with the police force not enforcing/ not doing their jobs, i.e., leaving an area of a fight without breaking it up. I also have issues with the cameras that we're installed a few years ago. They aren't able to be put to purposeful use; there have been numerous hit and runs this past summer and the camera hasn't been able to give any information that could lead to prosecution. One example is the recent moped being slammed into and run over by a car...the cameras should've been able to get a license plate.	8/30/2016 2:04 AM
37	I stay on weekends ever summer and love that I can feel safe even when walking alone at night	8/30/2016 12:06 AM
38	clearer and easier to get parking rules and permits - need a welcome center with good signs and parking so I can get a permit without searching for town hall	8/29/2016 10:45 PM
39	I love the laid back casual atmosphere in Dewey Beach. The old beach cottages, dogs everywhere on the beach. no day trippers making the beach crowded. It's a truly relaxing beach town.	8/27/2016 1:30 PM
40	Parking is a nightmare. Rehoboth is easy to find day passes, its hard to find Dewey day passes. Crosswalks are very dangerous. The beach is beautiful and fun. Noticing more restaurants which have enhanced the town. There is still fun to be had, and still families around.	8/25/2016 2:19 PM
41	The staff working at the Town Office was helpful, prompt, courteous, pleasant and gave me great suggestions for dog-friendly activities, venues and requirements. I got my dog a life-time DB license and look forward to returning often!	8/24/2016 3:04 PM
42	Party on	8/23/2016 11:52 AM
43	Less Parking enforcement - puts a bad taste to peoples vacations	8/21/2016 4:44 AM
44	Business hours in the town are not long enough. I think the nightlife quality would be better if the bars and restaurants could somehow stay open later.	8/20/2016 4:48 PM
45	Would like to see all beach entrances have either hard sand or mats laid out. Very difficult to walk on path with beach chairs and carts	8/18/2016 11:40 PM