

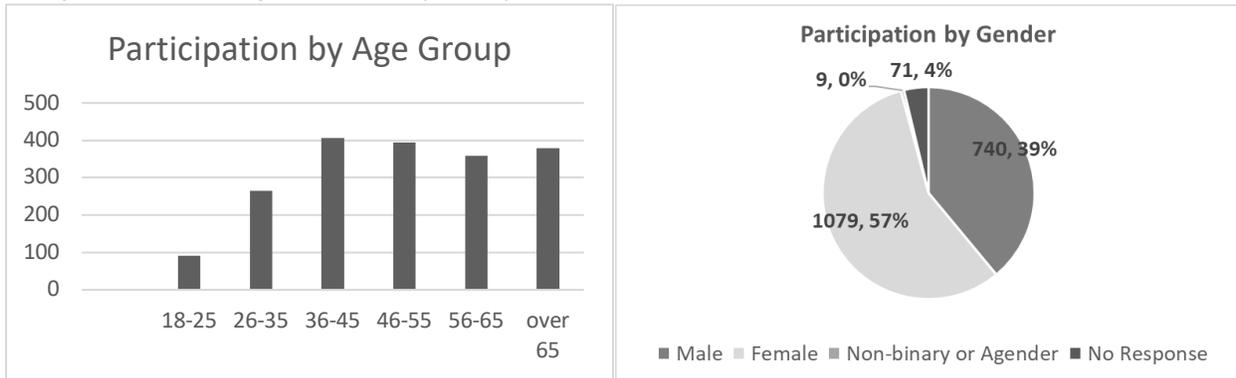
Summary of Key Survey Results and Update of Deer Task Force Activities

Report on West Seneca Deer Task Force Activities -- January 18, 2022

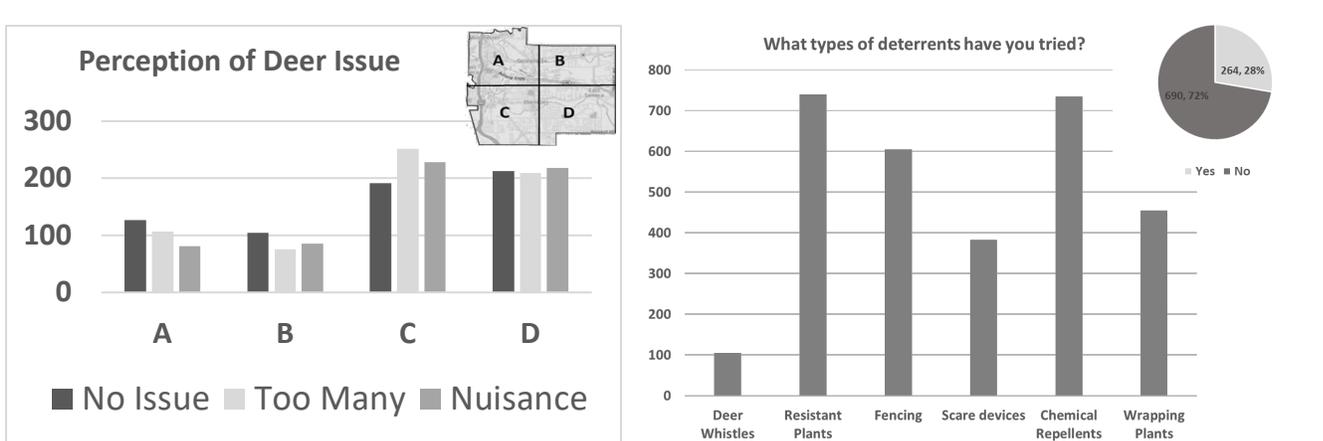
The West Seneca Deer Task Force has met 6 times since May 2021. We have heard from experts from the Cornell Cooperative Extension and the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation. In addition to the survey conducted in November-December 2021, the following research has been done: deer management methods of other towns and villages in Erie County, Deer Management research and best practices, alternatives to lethal methods for deer management, Western New York deer behavior, deer resistant plants, tick borne illness, WS Police Department and Department of Highways deer calls, evaluated the Town's preliminary deer survey conducted in March 2021, problems faced by WS residents and WS residents belief about deer impact, methods to measure success of a deer management plan, opportunities for traffic management, and opportunities for public education and awareness. Further details on the Deer Task Force may be found at <http://www.westseneca.net/government/deer-task-force#gsc.tab=0>

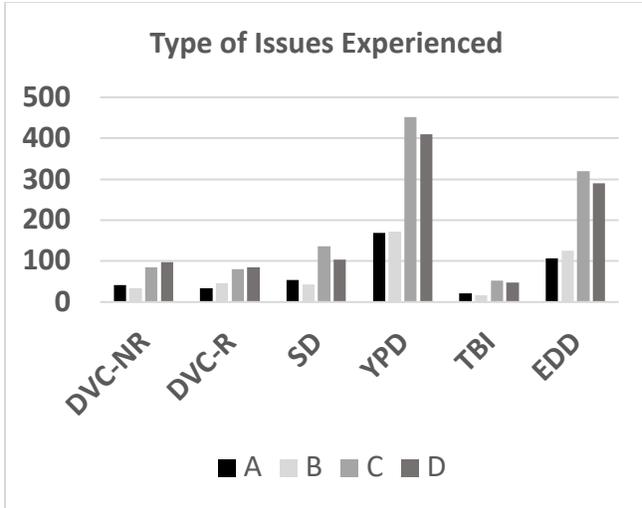
Resident Perceptions of White-tailed Deer in West Seneca:

Completion Summary: 1899 surveys completed in November – December 2021



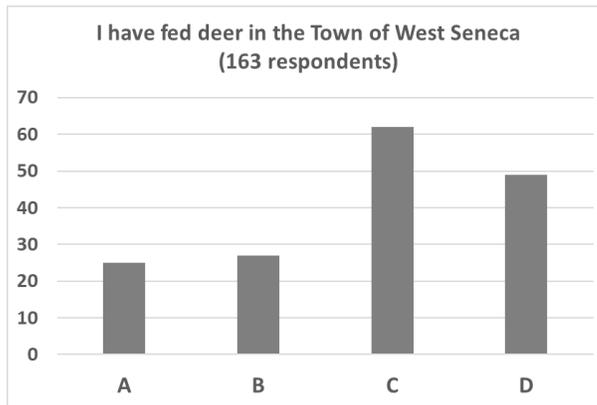
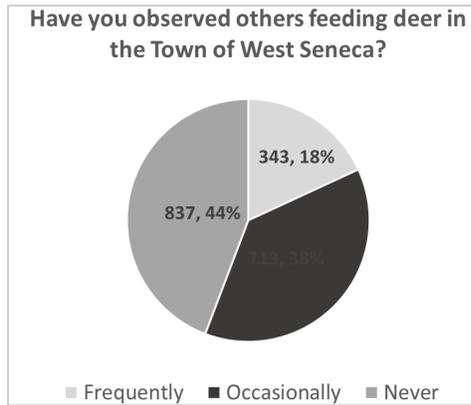
Perceptions/Experience of Deer Issue by Town Quadrant:



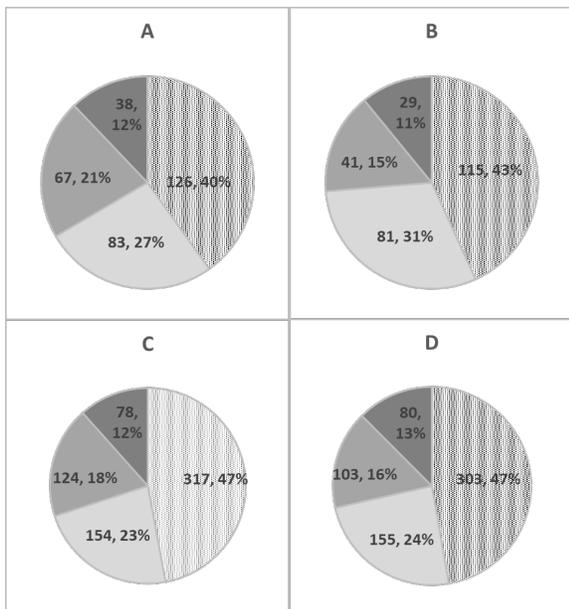


DVC-NR: deer-vehicle collision (not reported)
DVC-R: deer-vehicle collision (reported)
SD: damage to structures
YPD: yard and plant damage
TBI: tick-borne illness
EDD: excessive deer droppings

Prevalence of Deer Feeding:



Opinion on Management Options:



I support lethal management to reduce the size of the deer herd

I do not support lethal management to reduce the size of the deer herd

I would support lethal management only after other methods have been attempted first

I feel I need more information before supporting a position