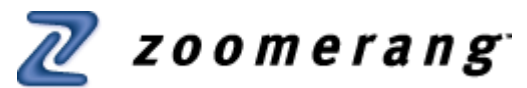


City of Racine Comprehensive Plan Survey



Results Overview

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PART I: Please indicate how you think the City of Racine as a whole is addressing these seven broad areas of community life.

1. Community Development

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Well addressed	Addressed	Somewhat addressed	Not addressed	Don't know
Community safety	13 5%	85 31%	134 49%	38 14%	4 1%
Downtown revitalization	77 28%	122 45%	60 22%	12 4%	1 0%
Mixed-use infill development	6 2%	45 17%	118 44%	28 10%	70 26%
Access to grocery outlets	12 4%	55 20%	101 37%	98 36%	8 3%
Access to retail outlets	20 7%	90 33%	111 41%	44 16%	8 3%
Access to Chicago	20 7%	54 20%	84 31%	107 39%	8 3%
Access to Milwaukee	22 8%	61 23%	92 34%	87 32%	9 3%
Racine practices sustainable-orienting planning	10 4%	59 22%	97 36%	54 20%	49 18%
Physical land development that preserves a sense of place and a feeling of community	7 3%	65 24%	109 40%	72 26%	19 7%

2. Natural and Cultural Resources

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Well addressed	Addressed	Somewhat addressed	Not addressed	Don't know
Quality of parks	24 9%	109 40%	110 40%	29 11%	2 1%
Quantity of parks	39 14%	117 43%	87 32%	26 9%	5 2%
Access to parks	39 14%	124 45%	88 32%	17 6%	6 2%

Quality of Lake Michigan and Root River	56 20%	108 39%	80 29%	27 10%	3 1%
Opportunities for cultural activities	38 14%	101 37%	107 39%	26 9%	2 1%
Identification and preservation of historic sites	27 10%	106 39%	81 30%	39 14%	21 8%

3. Housing

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Well addressed	Addressed	Somewhat addressed	Not addressed	Don't know
Enough affordable housing	44 16%	80 29%	91 33%	33 12%	25 9%
Condition of housing stock	10 4%	39 14%	132 48%	67 25%	25 9%
Variety of housing types (e.g., single family, multi-family, granny flats)	29 11%	97 36%	101 37%	21 8%	24 9%
Fair housing	40 15%	78 29%	85 31%	31 11%	39 14%
Enough housing to meet needs of elderly residents	32 12%	67 25%	92 34%	42 15%	40 15%
Energy efficient housing ("Green" building)	6 2%	16 6%	72 27%	131 48%	46 17%
Concentrations of poverty	9 3%	17 6%	88 32%	137 50%	21 8%
Homelessness	16 6%	49 18%	124 45%	62 23%	22 8%

4. Economic Development

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Well addressed	Addressed	Somewhat addressed	Not addressed	Don't know
Commercial development or redevelopment	12 4%	47 17%	140 51%	62 23%	13 5%
Entrepreneurial and small business development	5 2%	40 15%	127 46%	83 30%	19 7%
Job creation	4 1%	18 7%	71 26%	158 58%	22 8%
Development of workforce	8 3%	35 13%	114 42%	96 35%	20 7%
Access to living wage employment	6 2%	22 8%	99 36%	123 45%	23 8%

Access to higher education	24 9%	66 24%	109 40%	59 22%	14 5%
Access to vocational training	32 12%	100 37%	93 34%	30 11%	16 6%
Develop a better balance of employment opportunities and housing in the city	3 1%	19 7%	115 42%	96 35%	38 14%

5. Transportation

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Well addressed	Addressed	Somewhat addressed	Not addressed	Don't know
Access to public transit	30 11%	82 30%	120 44%	27 10%	14 5%
Effectiveness of public transit system (e.g., routes, frequency of services)	23 8%	58 21%	102 37%	53 19%	37 14%
Connectivity of public transit to jobs, homes, retail, other services	20 7%	45 17%	114 42%	59 22%	32 12%
Development of Kenosha-Racine-Milwaukee Commuter Rail	21 8%	48 18%	85 31%	100 37%	17 6%
Traffic congestion	28 10%	91 33%	110 40%	32 12%	11 4%
Condition of roads	13 5%	59 22%	116 42%	81 30%	4 1%
Availability of parking	29 11%	91 33%	98 36%	50 18%	6 2%
Current pedestrian-friendliness of Racine (e.g., safety, crosswalks, adequate width sidewalks)	33 12%	95 36%	91 34%	44 17%	3 1%
Current bicycle-friendliness of Racine (e.g., safety, bike lanes, bike parking, bike racks on buses)	24 9%	81 30%	91 34%	64 24%	11 4%
Development of bike and pedestrian trail system (for recreation and commuting purposes through city and to other communities and counties)	45 16%	92 34%	93 34%	31 11%	12 4%

6. Utilities and Community Facilities

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Well addressed	Addressed	Somewhat addressed	Not addressed	Don't know
Access to the hospital	40 15%	124 45%	85 31%	17 6%	8 3%
Access to health care clinics	38 14%	133 49%	72 26%	19 7%	11 4%
Access to technology (i.e., cable and internet--including wireless--technologies)	30 11%	93 34%	96 35%	36 13%	18 7%
Access to affordable, quality child care	14 5%	52 19%	88 32%	37 14%	83 30%
Access to affordable, quality adult care (e.g. nursing homes, community living facilities)	10 4%	58 21%	91 33%	38 14%	77 28%
Development and use of alternative energy sources	5 2%	14 5%	74 27%	134 49%	45 17%
Quality of public school system to meet the educational and training needs of all residents	7 3%	21 8%	98 36%	134 49%	13 5%
Quality of recycling program	21 8%	62 23%	116 42%	51 19%	23 8%
Quality of garbage collection	63 23%	115 43%	66 24%	13 5%	13 5%
Quality of stormwater management	44 16%	107 40%	77 29%	20 7%	21 8%
Quality of sanitary sewer service	53 20%	109 41%	75 28%	10 4%	22 8%
Responsiveness of emergency services (e.g., fire, police, ambulance)	70 26%	115 42%	55 20%	9 3%	22 8%

7. Public Participation and Government

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Well addressed	Addressed	Somewhat addressed	Not addressed	Don't know
Access to public processes through public meetings, newspaper notices, public television, etc.	46 17%	115 42%	86 31%	19 7%	8 3%

Openness to intergovernmental cooperation	28 10%	78 29%	92 34%	48 18%	27 10%
Regional equity (i.e., Racine is fairly represented in regional decision-making on issues such as transportation and economic development.)	17 6%	55 20%	104 38%	51 19%	44 16%

PART II: This section pertains to neighborhood plans that the City has developed and worked towards over the last five years. Please consider the current state of each neighborhood when indicating whether you agree or disagree with the statements provided.

8.

Downtown Area Click to see map Working with the Downtown Racine Corporation, in 2005 the City of Racine adopted the Racine Downtown Plan (an update of the 1999 Downtown Plan). In the 2005 plan, the Downtown Area was expanded to include the State Street corridor. The plan area is roughly bounded by Prospect Street on the north, Lake Michigan on the east, Ninth Street on the south, and the Union Pacific Railway tracks on the West.

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
1. Public spaces (streets, sidewalks, parking, plantings) are well maintained.	49 18%	159 58%	52 19%	11 4%	1 0%
2. There is a good mix of businesses serving the needs of Downtown.	38 14%	113 41%	97 36%	24 9%	1 0%
3. I feel safe in the Downtown area.	55 20%	156 57%	44 16%	15 5%	3 1%
4. The pedestrian environment is welcoming.	58 21%	153 57%	43 16%	15 6%	1 0%
5. Access to multiple public transit is sufficient.	19 7%	87 32%	94 35%	40 15%	32 12%

9.

Southside Area Click to see map Working with the Southside Neighborhood Steering Committee, in 2001 the City adopted A Neighborhood Strategic Plan for Southside Racine. The plan area is generally bounded by Seventh Street on the north, Washington Avenue and Memorial Drive on the west, Durand Avenue on the south, and Lake Michigan on the east.

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
1. The street improvements along Racine Street, from Twenty-First Street to Washington Avenue are	34 13%	159 59%	32 12%	13 5%	32 12%

pleasing.						
2. The work that neighborhood organizations and businesses are doing to improve the area is noticeable.	14 5%	135 50%	70 26%	16 6%	36 13%	
3. Public safety in the Southside area has improved.	8 3%	67 25%	98 36%	35 13%	63 23%	
4. The general appearance of the Southside area is improving.	8 3%	150 56%	64 24%	22 8%	25 9%	
5. Shopping and employment opportunities are serving the needs of the Southside area.	4 1%	26 10%	106 39%	67 25%	66 25%	
6. The accessibility to public facilities such as the lakefront, library, bike paths and parks is sufficient.	22 8%	126 46%	64 24%	24 9%	35 13%	
7. Housing opportunities are affordable and desirable.	3 1%	72 27%	79 29%	42 16%	73 27%	

10.

West Racine Area Click to see map Working with the West Racine Business Association, in 2002 the City of Racine adopted a neighborhood revitalization plan. The area included in the plan is bounded by Graceland Boulevard on the north, West Boulevard on the east, Sixteenth Street on the south, and Lathrop Avenue on the west.

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
1. The redevelopment efforts in the 3100 block of Washington Avenue should include residential units as well as commercial space.	37 14%	130 48%	49 18%	30 11%	25 9%
2. The West Racine commercial district needs a restaurant.	81 30%	143 52%	28 10%	8 3%	13 5%
3. The West Racine commercial district needs a grocery store.	123 45%	118 43%	22 8%	3 1%	7 3%
4. Public spaces (streets, sidewalks, parking areas, plantings) are appealing.	12 4%	155 57%	82 30%	11 4%	11 4%

5. Homes and other properties in the area are being maintained to an acceptable standard.	16 6%	183 68%	47 17%	8 3%	15 6%
6. Storefront remodeling projects have been in keeping with the historic charter of the area.	9 3%	144 53%	68 25%	10 4%	39 14%
7. I feel safe in the West Racine area.	40 15%	171 63%	37 14%	12 4%	13 5%
8. The pedestrian environment is welcoming.	21 8%	157 58%	73 27%	11 4%	9 3%
9. Businesses are meeting the needs of the West Racine Area.	3 1%	89 33%	107 40%	19 7%	51 19%

11.

Uptown Area Click to see map Working with the Uptown Improvement Organization, in 2005 the City of Racine adopted the Uptown Improvement Plan, and in 2007 the Artist Relocation Program was initiated. The area is bounded by Eleventh Street. on the north, Racine Street. on the east, Sixteenth Street on the south, Memorial Drive, and Washington Avenue on the northwest.

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
1. Public spaces (streets, sidewalks, parking areas, plantings) are appealing.	8 3%	93 34%	119 44%	38 14%	14 5%
2. Buildings are being maintained to an acceptable standard.	0 0%	50 18%	145 53%	66 24%	12 4%
3. Storefront remodeling projects have been in keeping with the historic character of the area.	2 1%	95 35%	98 36%	44 16%	32 12%
4. Parking is adequate.	9 3%	93 34%	103 38%	40 15%	25 9%
5. Retail activity in the area has increased.	1 0%	38 14%	115 42%	51 19%	66 24%
6. I feel safe driving in the Uptown area.	12 4%	127 47%	74 27%	49 18%	10 4%
7. I feel safe from crime when walking in the Uptown area.	4 1%	47 17%	118 43%	77 28%	26 10%
8. Access to public transit is sufficient.	15 6%	101 37%	49 18%	28 10%	78 29%




- 12.** Douglas Avenue Corridor Click to see map Working with the Douglas Avenue Redevelopment Association, in 2005 the City adopted the Douglas Avenue Revitalization Plan for properties along Douglas Avenue corridor. The plan area extends roughly one block the east and west of Douglas Avenue, from Three Mile Road south to State Street. The plan divides the corridor into two sections; one extends north from Yout Street, and the other extends south from Yout Street.








Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
1. The appearance of the corridor from Three Mile Road south to Yout Street has improved.	3 1%	108 40%	103 38%	28 10%	31 11%
2. The appearance of the corridor from Yout Street south to State Street has improved.	4 1%	48 18%	140 51%	47 17%	33 12%
3. The mix of businesses along the corridor adequately serves the needs of the adjoining neighborhoods.	1 0%	63 23%	113 42%	38 14%	57 21%
4. I feel safe in the corridor, from Three Mile Road south to Yout Street.	17 6%	161 59%	53 19%	18 7%	23 8%
5. I feel safe in the corridor, from Yout Street south to State Street.	5 2%	42 15%	128 47%	70 26%	27 10%

PART III: The City of Racine appreciates your input. These final questions are open-ended. Please take a couple of minutes to share your experiences of living and/or working in the city.

PART IV: Please let us know where you're coming from.



- 17.** Which neighborhood do you live in?

Downtown (Sixth Street, Main Street, City Hall, Harbor, River Bend, Gaslight Point)		16	6%
Near Southside (West Park, East Park/Gateway)		6	2%
Far Southside (Uptown, Johnson Wax, Towerview, Dekoven, Case/Harmony Park, Fine Arts School, Greencrest/St. Lucy's)		34	12%

Southwest side (Humble/Pierce Woods Park, Prichard Park, Elmwood area, George Town)		22	8%
Central (Washington Park, Knapp School, Island Park, McKinley School, West Sixth Street, Jefferson Lighthouse School, Lincoln/King, Garfield School)		12	4%
Westside (West Racine, Fratt School, Rubberville, Radio Park, Starbuck School, Goodland School, Lockwood Park, Wheaten Franciscan/All Saints)		59	21%
Northwest side (Lincoln/Colonial Park, Horlick Field, Horlick High School, Quarry Lake Park, Horlick's Dam)		16	6%
Near Northside (North Beach, Zoo, Roosevelt School, Janes School, Douglas Park, Red Apple School)		31	11%
Far Northside (Jerstad/Agerholm School, Shorecrest, Greater North Bay)		31	11%
If you are unsure of your neighborhood, please tell us the nearest major street intersection to your residence. If you are not a resident of the City, please type "NR" and your neighborhood of work/interest:		49	18%
Total		276	100%


















18. Are you affiliated with the City of Racine?

Yes, I work for the City.		60	22%
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Yes, I am on a City board, commission, or committee.		38	14%
No, I am a private citizen.		178	64%
Total		276	100%



Please indicate your department or organizational affiliation with the City of Racine. If you are unaffiliated with the City, please ignore this section.

19. Department:

City Assessor		1	1%
City Attorney		0	0%
Building Inspection		5	6%
Cemeteries		1	1%
Clerk		0	0%
City Development		11	13%
Fair Housing		1	1%
CAR 25 (Cable Access Racine, Channel 25)		0	0%
Finance		2	2%
Fire		6	7%
Health		10	12%
Human Resources		1	1%
Information Systems		0	0%
Municipal Court		1	1%
Parks & Recreation		5	6%
Police		8	10%
Public Works		4	5%
Transportation		2	2%
City Treasure		1	1%
Wastewater		0	0%
Water		4	5%
Other, please specify		19	23%
Total		82	100%

20. Board, commission, or committee: (Select all that apply)

Common Council		8	15%
City Plan Commission		1	2%
Redevelopment Authority		0	0%
Downtown Area Design Review Commission		6	11%
Access Corridor Development Review Committee		5	9%
Community Development Committee		5	9%
Economic Development Committee		2	4%
Elderly Housing Committee		0	0%
Landmarks Preservation Commission		4	7%
Cemetery Board		1	2%
Public Works Commission		1	2%
Public Safety and Licensing Committee		3	6%
Sustainable Neighborhood Listening Committee		4	7%
Industrial Park Development Review Committees		0	0%
Business Improvement Districts		6	11%
Parks, Recreation and Cultural Service Board		4	7%
Assessor's "Board of Review"		0	0%
Building Department's "Zoning Board of Appeals"		1	2%
Building Department's "Building Board of Appeals"		0	0%
Transit and Parking Commission		3	6%

Finance and Personnel		2	4%
Police and Fire Commission		0	0%
Water and Waste Water Board		3	6%
Other, please specify		16	30%

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