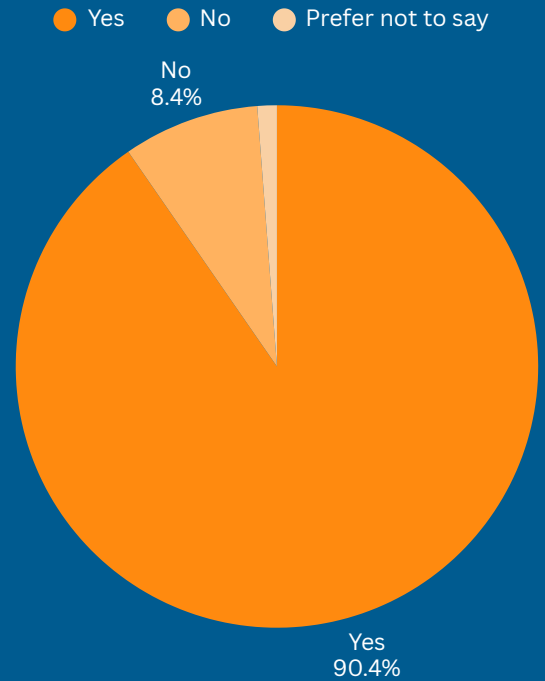


Who Responded to the Survey?

East Spring Street is a vital corridor in Winooski, serving a wide range of travel needs. Over 70% of respondents live within a quarter mile of the street, and more than three-fourths use it to travel to destinations both within and beyond the city. More than one-third use East Spring Street to reach specific locations such as schools, businesses, or the homes of family or friends along the corridor.

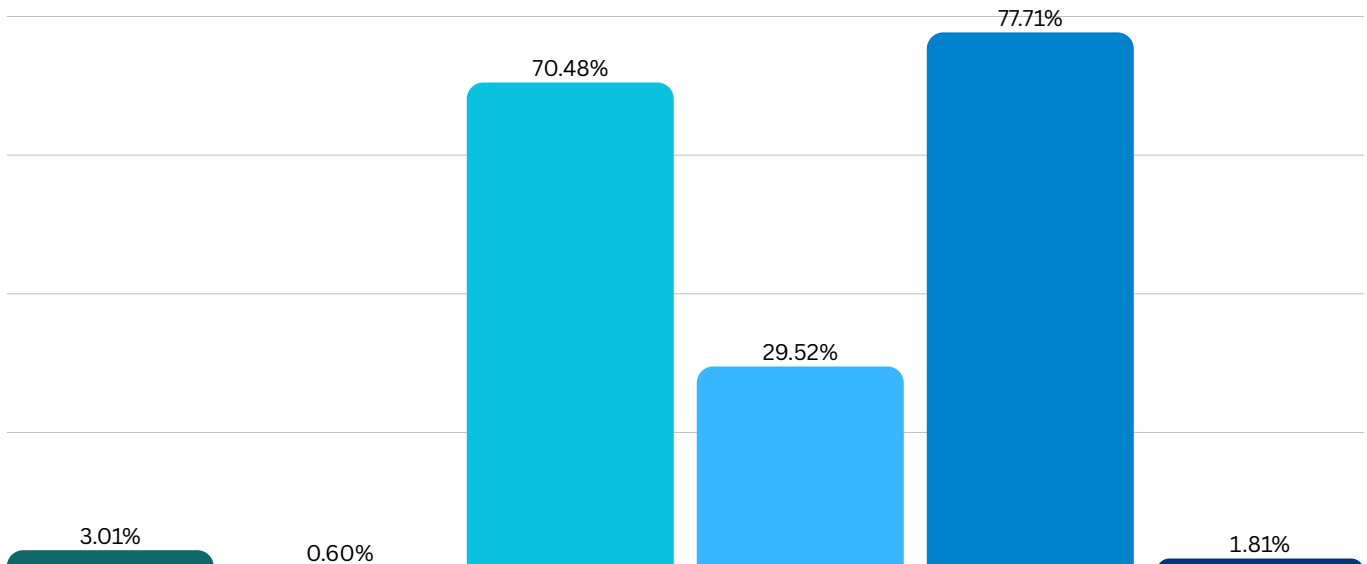
These findings highlight the role of East Spring Street in enabling multimodal access across Winooski.

Are you a resident of Winooski?



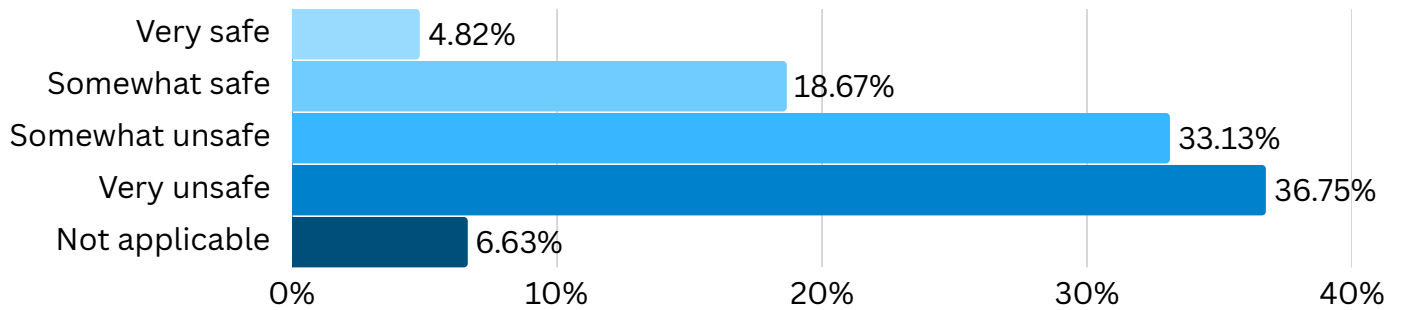
What is your relationship with East Spring Street? Please select all that apply.

- I live on East Spring Street.
- I own a property on East Spring Street.
- I live within a quarter mile of East Spring Street.
- I travel to destinations on East Spring Street (e.g., businesses, school, family, friends, etc.).
- I travel on East Spring Street to reach other places that are not on East Spring Street.
- Other

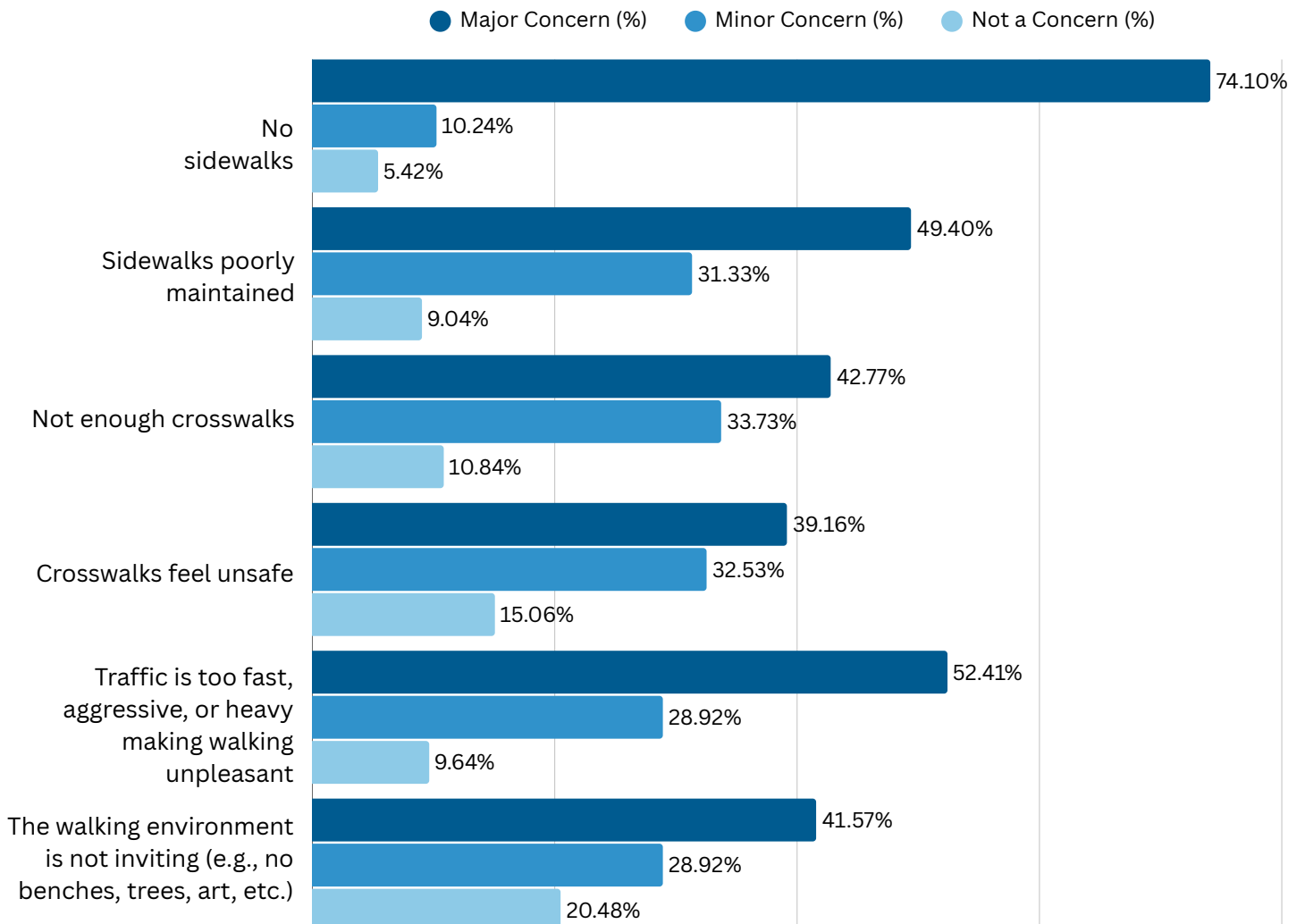


Walking and Rolling on East Spring Street

How safe do you feel walking or rolling (e.g., using a mobility assistive device) on East Spring Street?



What concerns do you have about walking or rolling (e.g., using a mobility assistive device) on East Spring Street?



Do you have other concerns about walking or rolling on East Spring Street?

Missing Sidewalks & Poor Sidewalk Conditions

The eastern end of East Spring Street lacks sidewalks, forcing many to walk in the road to reach destinations on East Allen Street. Existing sidewalks are narrow with little to no buffer to separate sidewalk users from motorists. Sidewalks are uneven and in need of repair. Litter, debris, and overgrown vegetation crowd the sidewalks. Sidewalks are poorly maintained in the winter, making it difficult for walkers and wheelchair users to maneuver.



“Using a wheelchair is terrible on this street. The section of road with no sidewalks is poorly maintained and the section closest to the curb is very rough and usually covered in sticks and debris, forcing people to be farther out in the street than is safe.”

Dangerous Traffic Patterns & Intersections



Intersections are confusing, and crosswalks are either faded or unmarked, leading many drivers to overlook pedestrians, especially at intersections with Barlow, Hood, and East Allen Streets. The wide roads and unclear design at the intersection of East Allen and East Spring Street encourage speeding and contribute to driver confusion. Crosswalks are poorly lit or completely unlit, making it difficult for drivers to see pedestrians during low-light conditions.

“At night, it is very dark and the sidewalk completely drops off before you can get to the end of the road. I am worried about being hit by a car sometimes.”

Unsafe, Aggressive Driving

Traffic moves quickly along East Spring Street, and drivers frequently speed through the neighborhood and ignore or fail to notice stop signs. Rolling through intersections and failing to yield to pedestrians waiting to cross at designated crosswalks is common. After turning from East Allen Street, in particular, drivers often accelerate quickly, despite limited visibility caused by overgrown vegetation.



“Many people blow through stop signs across the neighborhood, making it hard to predict whether crosswalks are safe to use.”

Poor Road Conditions

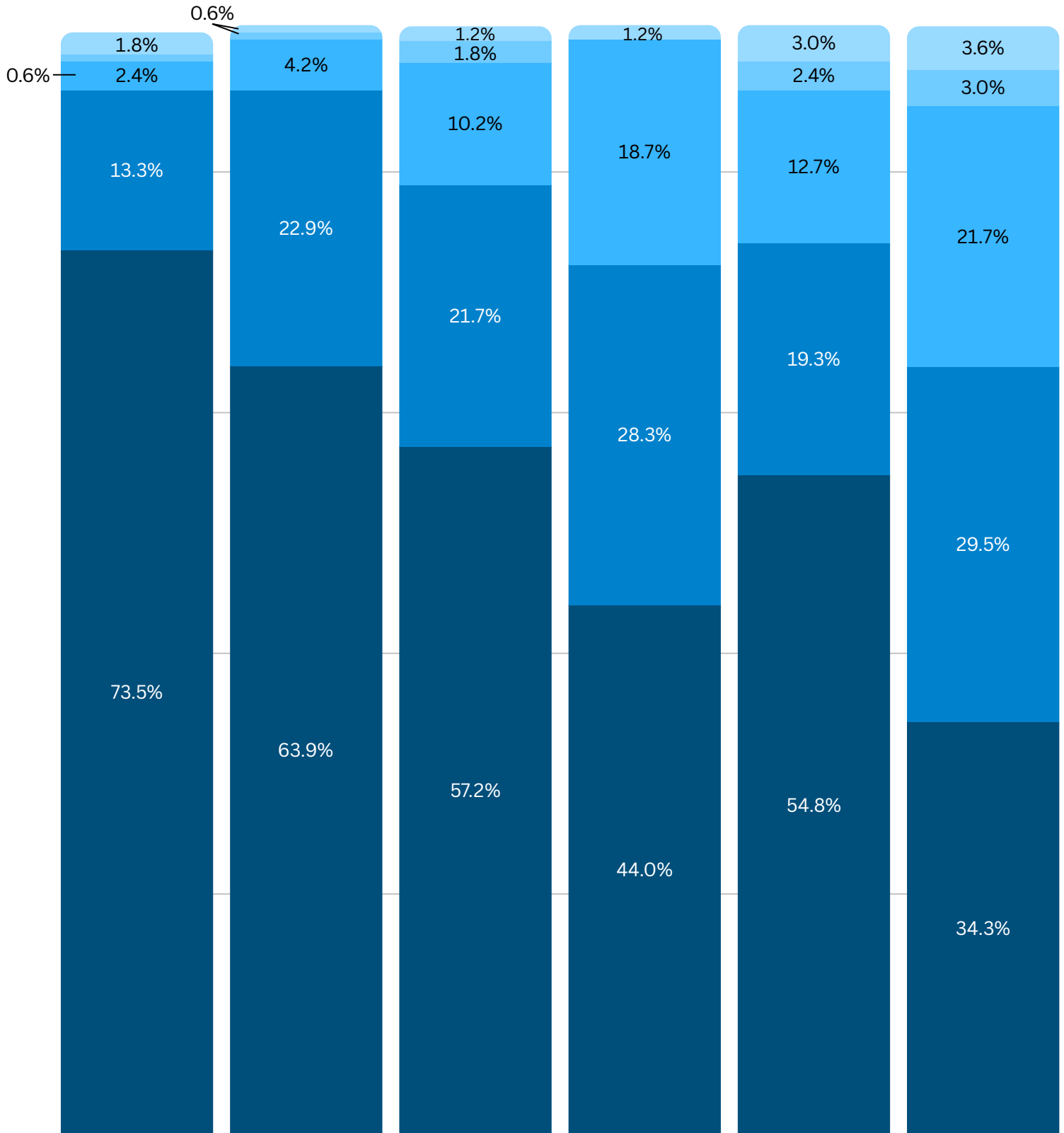
Poor road conditions cause drivers to swerve to avoid large cracks in the pavement and numerous potholes, putting people walking, biking, and rolling in the street at risk—especially where no sidewalk is present at the eastern end of East Spring Street.



“The road itself is in pretty poor condition as well, so cars traveling on it are trying to miss big cracks and potholes, which makes it even more unsafe for bikers and walkers.”

How do you feel about the following general actions to improve walking or rolling on East Spring Street?

● Strongly Support ● Support ● Neutral ● Oppose ● Strongly Oppose



More sidewalks

Sidewalk maintenance

Safer street crossings
(e.g., pedestrian signals, crosswalks)

Better street lighting

Slowing traffic or increasing space between people walking and driving

More inviting walking environment
(e.g., benches, trees, art)

Do you have other suggestions for improving conditions for people walking or rolling on East Spring Street?

Installing Sidewalks & Sidewalk Maintenance



Installing sidewalks on one or both sides of the street was a common suggestion. Respondents recommended keeping sidewalks clear of debris, repairing damage, and ensuring they are safe to use in winter. Several comments highlighted the need for repairs to make sidewalks more accessible, safe, and comfortable for people using wheelchairs.

Safer Street Crossings



Respondents recommended repainting crosswalks and adding pedestrian signals and street lighting at intersections to improve visibility and safety for people walking and rolling.

Traffic Calming



Slowing traffic and reducing traffic volume on East Spring Street was a top priority for many survey respondents. Suggestions included installing raised crosswalks, medians, sidewalk buffers, speed bumps, curb extensions, and chicanes.

Road Maintenance



Respondents expressed concern about unsafe or erratic driving caused by cars swerving to avoid potholes, cracks, and other road damage. Recommended solutions included repaving the road and repainting traffic lines.

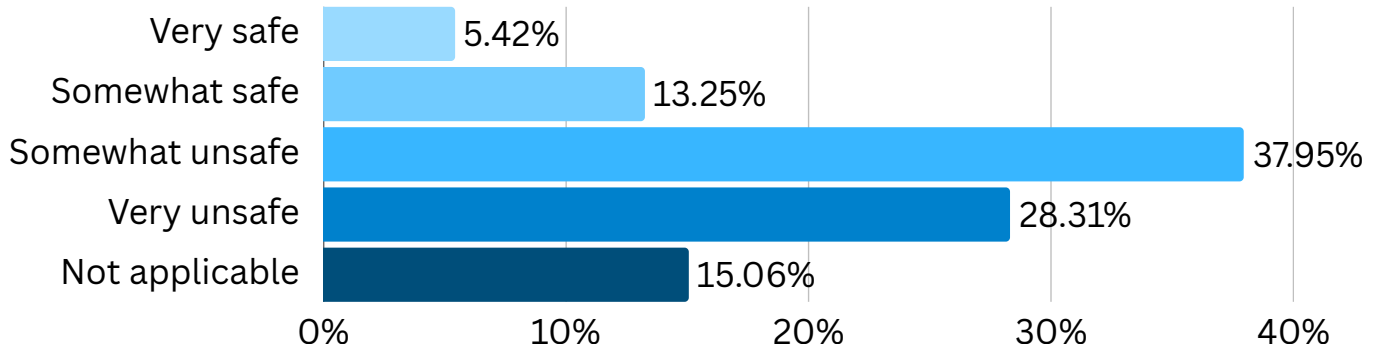
A More Pleasant Walking Environment



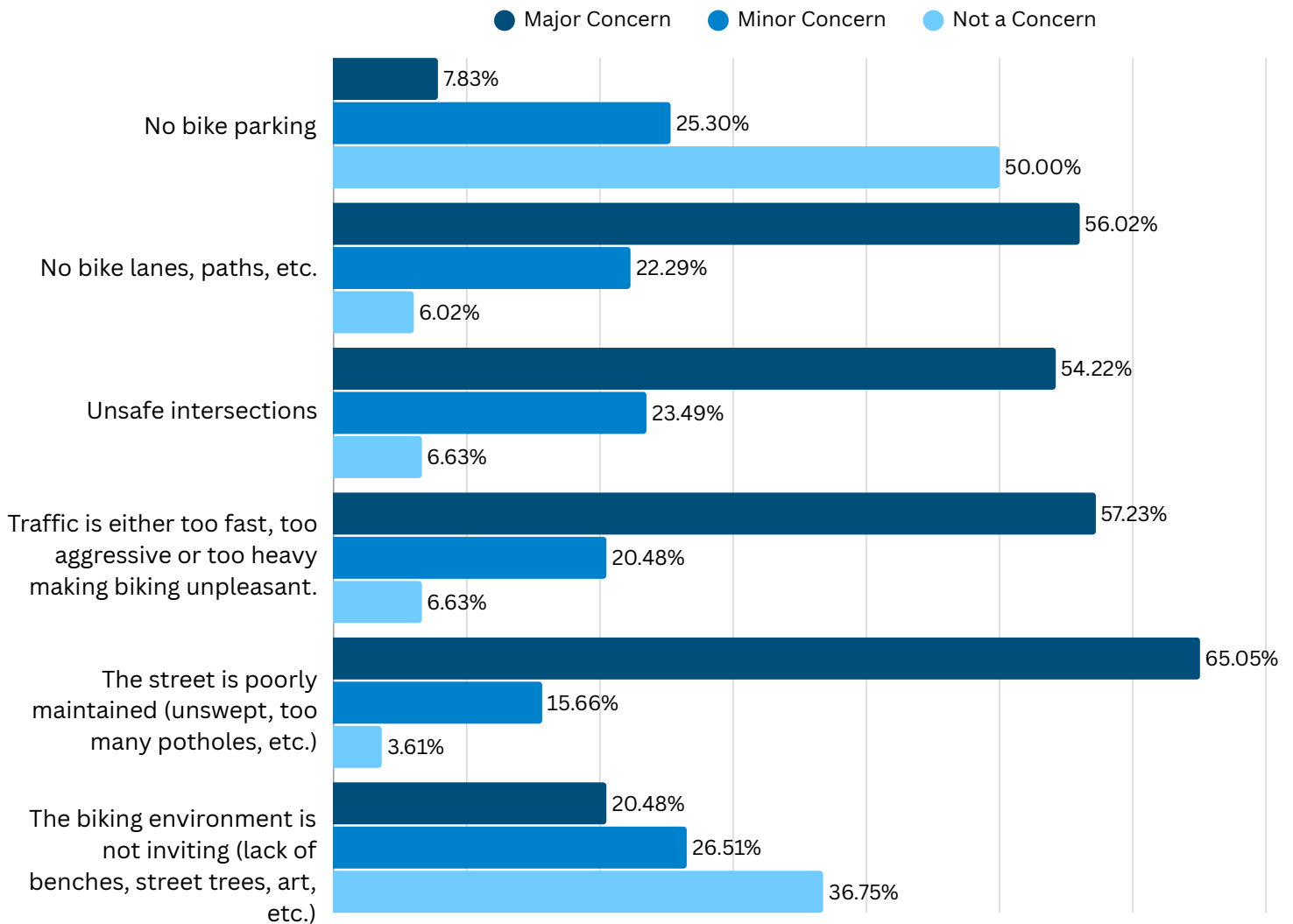
Lack of lighting along East Spring Street, especially at crosswalks and intersections was a commonly reported concern. Respondents suggested installing more lighting and adding street trees to provide shade and cooling to people walking, biking, and rolling during summer months.

Biking on East Spring Street

How safe do you feel biking on East Spring Street?



What concerns do you have about biking on East Spring Street?



Do you have other concerns about biking on East Spring Street?

Unsafe, Aggressive Driving

Vehicles ignore or overlook stop signs, exceed speed limits, and overtake cyclists at unsafe speeds, even when there is oncoming traffic. These behaviors make cyclists feel unsafe and less likely to travel on East Spring Street, as they are often crowded or aggressively passed while biking in the road.

No Dedicated Bike Space

East Spring Street lacks protected bike lanes, contributing to unsafe conditions for cyclists. In areas without sidewalks, pedestrians often walk in the street, pushing cyclists farther into traffic. The lack of striping makes cyclists feel unsafe riding alongside cars. The intersections at East Spring and East Allen and East Spring and Main Street were repeatedly identified as particularly dangerous for cyclists.

“The intersection with Main Street feels crowded because of cars overtaking in the intersection and no space for a bike other than in the middle of the lane. The intersections heading east feel unsafe for the opposite reason - the street is wide open and cars often blow right through the intersections at higher speeds.”



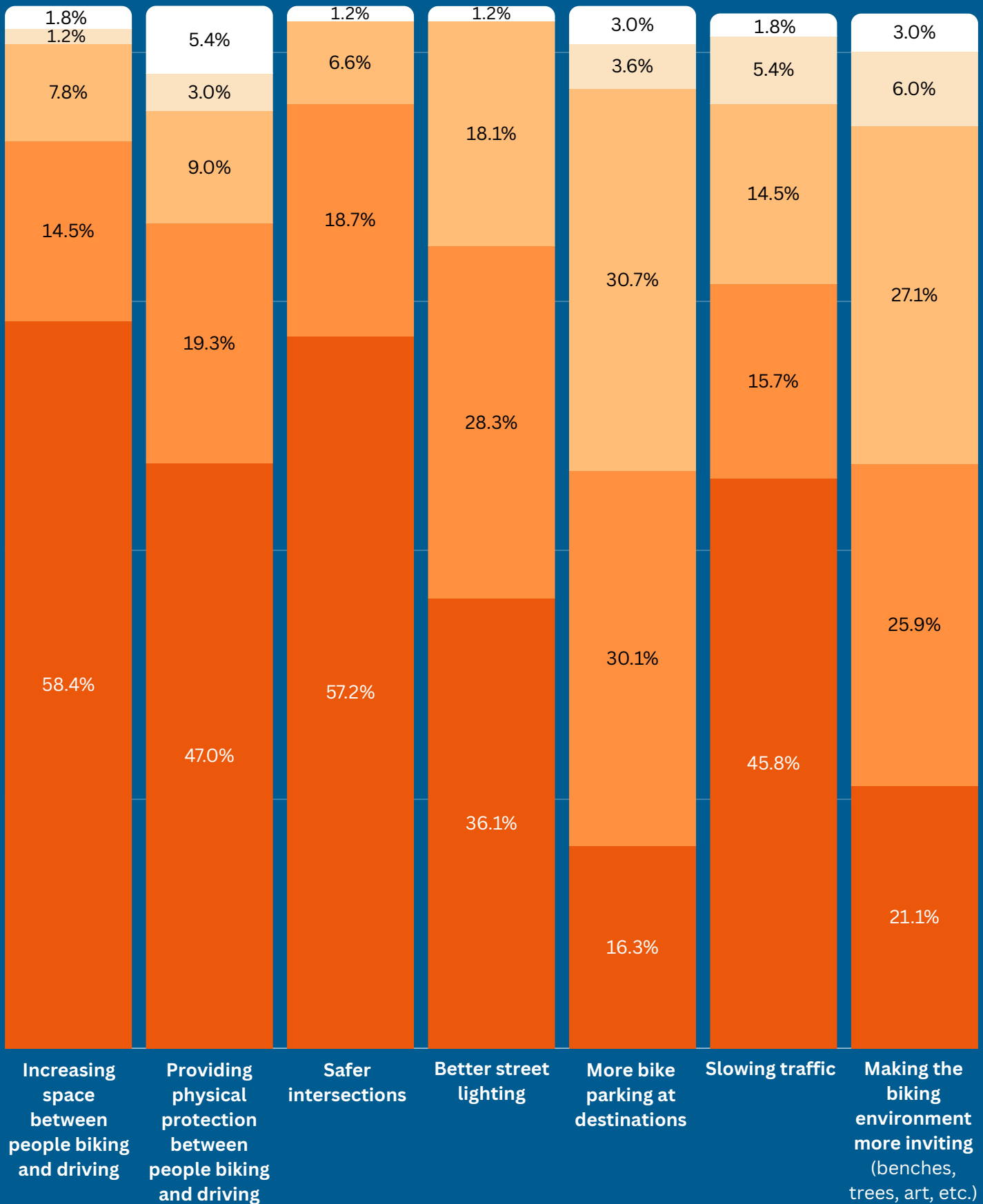
Hazardous Road Conditions

Potholes and uneven pavement make it difficult for cyclists to travel safely on East Spring Street. Cars sometimes swerve to avoid road damage, creating dangerous situations on a shared road. Poor visibility due to the hill and overgrown vegetation on the eastern side adds to the risk of conflicts between road users. The lack of adequate street lighting further limits visibility during darker conditions.

“[I] bike commute to work in [the] summer months and [it] feels unsafe with [the] speed of traffic and no bike lane. [The] poorly maintained street, with lots of potholes on the shoulder/edge of the road, makes [it an] even less safe space for bikes to maneuver.”

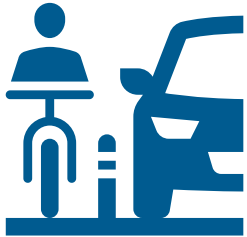
How do you feel about the following general actions to improve biking on East Spring Street?

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Do you have other suggestions for improving conditions for people biking on East Spring Street?

Bike Lanes



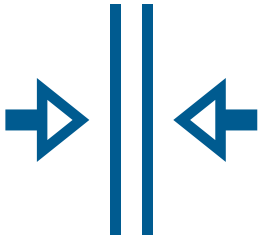
Installing bike lanes was one of the most common recommendations from respondents. Many shared that clear markings and protected bike lanes would clarify where bicycles should travel in the road, help cyclists maintain a safe distance from car traffic, and improve overall interactions between road users. A few respondents noted potential challenges, including limited space on East Spring Street and the added difficulty of street sweeping and snow removal.

Road Maintenance



Respondents noted that the pavement on East Spring Street is in poor condition. Suggested improvements included repaving the road, restriping traffic lines, repairing potholes, and regularly sweeping the street to reduce debris.

Traffic Calming



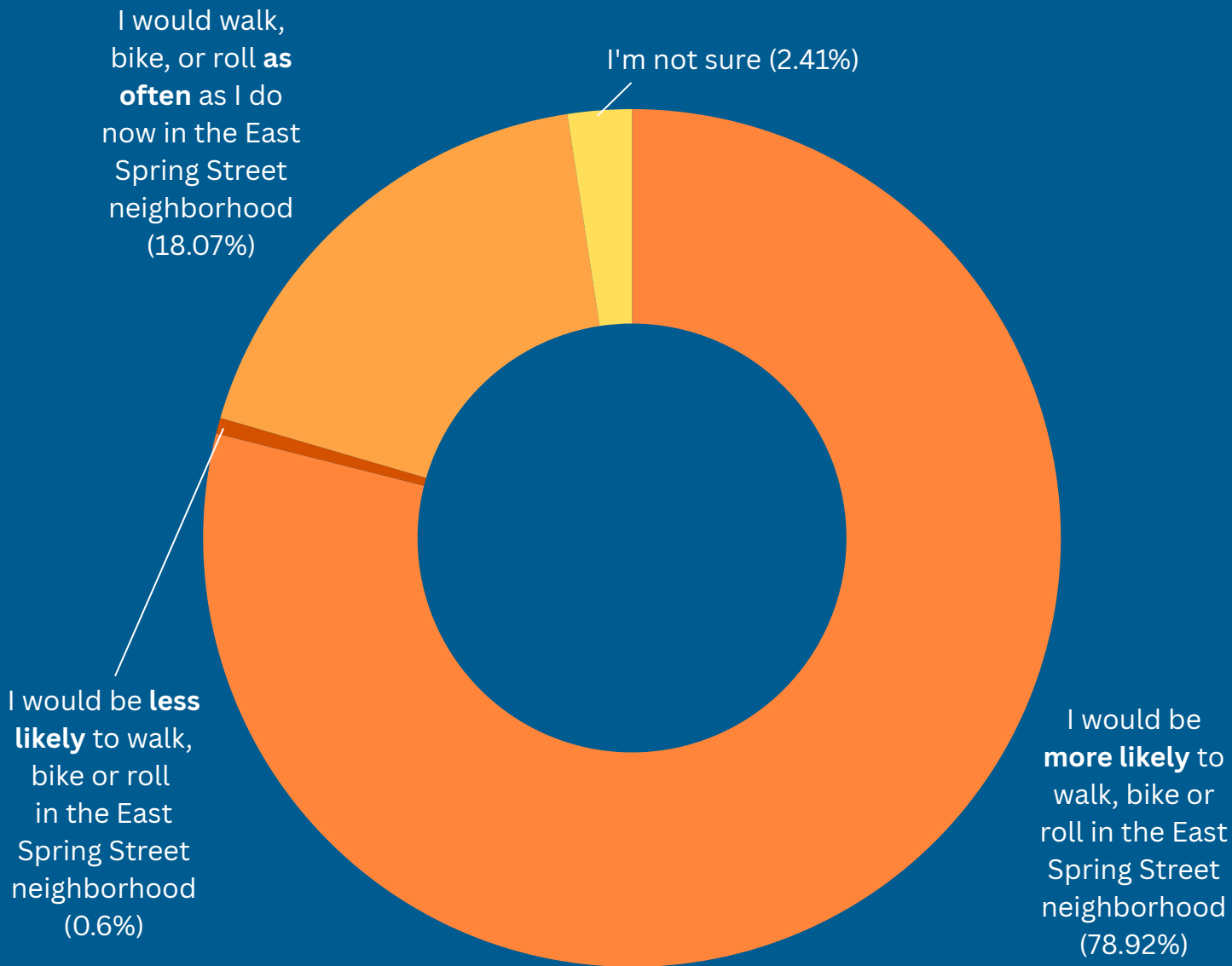
Slowing vehicle traffic and reducing traffic volume were top priorities for many survey respondents. Common suggestions included raised crosswalks, medians, sidewalk buffers, speed bumps, curb extensions, and chicanes. Some recommended reducing the speed limit or redesigning the traffic pattern, converting East Spring Street to one-way traffic.

Promoting Safe Behavior for All Road Users



Conflicts between road users were commonly reported by respondents who walk, bike, roll, and drive on East Spring Street. Promoting a shared understanding of road rules through education, outreach, and signage could reduce negative interactions and encourage safer use of the street by all road users.

If all issues related to walking, biking and rolling on East Spring Street are addressed, what impact would it have on how frequently you walk, bike or roll?



Would you support a temporary project to test improvements for walking, biking, and rolling on East Spring Street?

