

# Project Report

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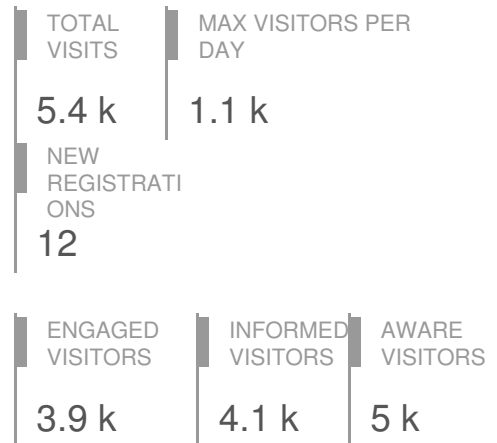
# Engage Hamilton Vacant Home Tax



## Visitors Summary

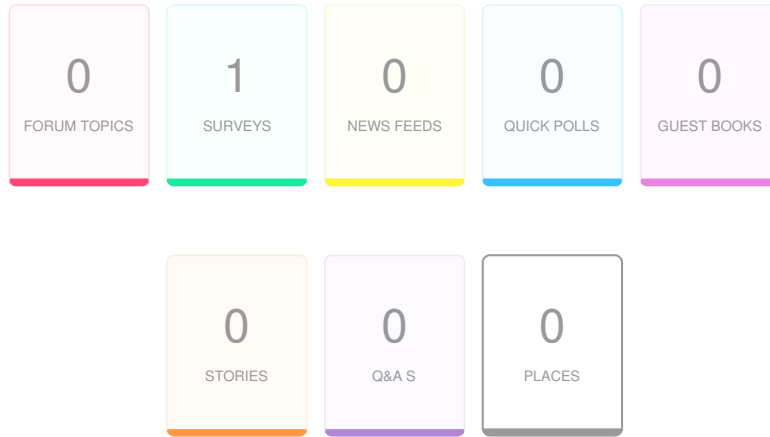


## Highlights



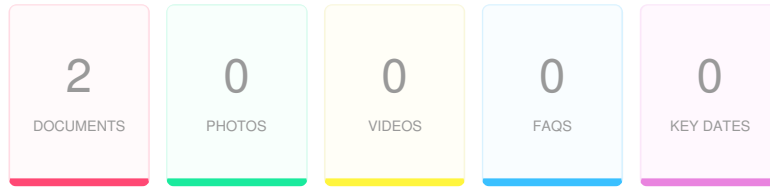
Aware Participants		5,041	Engaged Participants			3,860
Aware Actions Performed	Participants		Engaged Actions Performed			
Visited a Project or Tool Page	5,041		Registered	Unverified	Anonymous	
Informed Participants	4,097	Contributed on Forums	0	0	0	
Informed Actions Performed	Participants	Participated in Surveys	78	1	3,781	
Viewed a video	0	Contributed to Newsfeeds	0	0	0	
Viewed a photo	0	Participated in Quick Polls	0	0	0	
Downloaded a document	8	Posted on Guestbooks	0	0	0	
Visited the Key Dates page	1	Contributed to Stories	0	0	0	
Visited an FAQ list Page	0	Asked Questions	0	0	0	
Visited Instagram Page	0	Placed Pins on Places	0	0	0	
Visited Multiple Project Pages	269	Contributed to Ideas	0	0	0	
Contributed to a tool (engaged)	3,860					

## ENGAGEMENT TOOLS SUMMARY



Tool Type	Engagement Tool Name	Tool Status	Visitors	Contributors		
				Registered	Unverified	Anonymous
Survey Tool	Vacant Home Tax Survey	Archived	4384	78	1	3781

## INFORMATION WIDGET SUMMARY



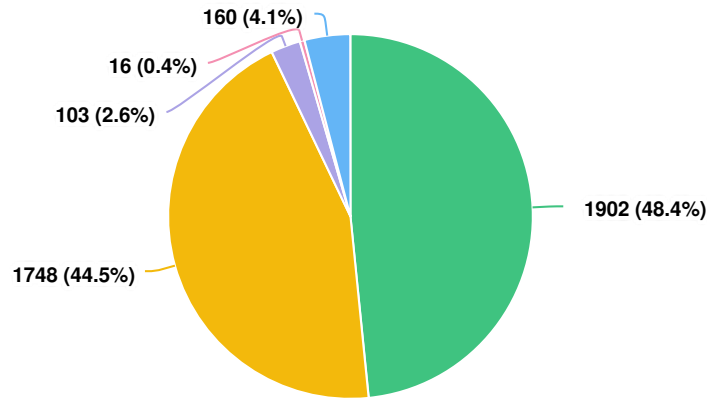
Widget Type	Engagement Tool Name	Visitors	Views/Downloads
Document	Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton (FCS21017)	8	11
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Key Dates	Key Date	1	1

## ENGAGEMENT TOOL: SURVEY TOOL

### Vacant Home Tax Survey

Visitors	<b>4384</b>	Contributors	<b>3860</b>	CONTRIBUTIONS	<b>3929</b>
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How do you identify yourself?



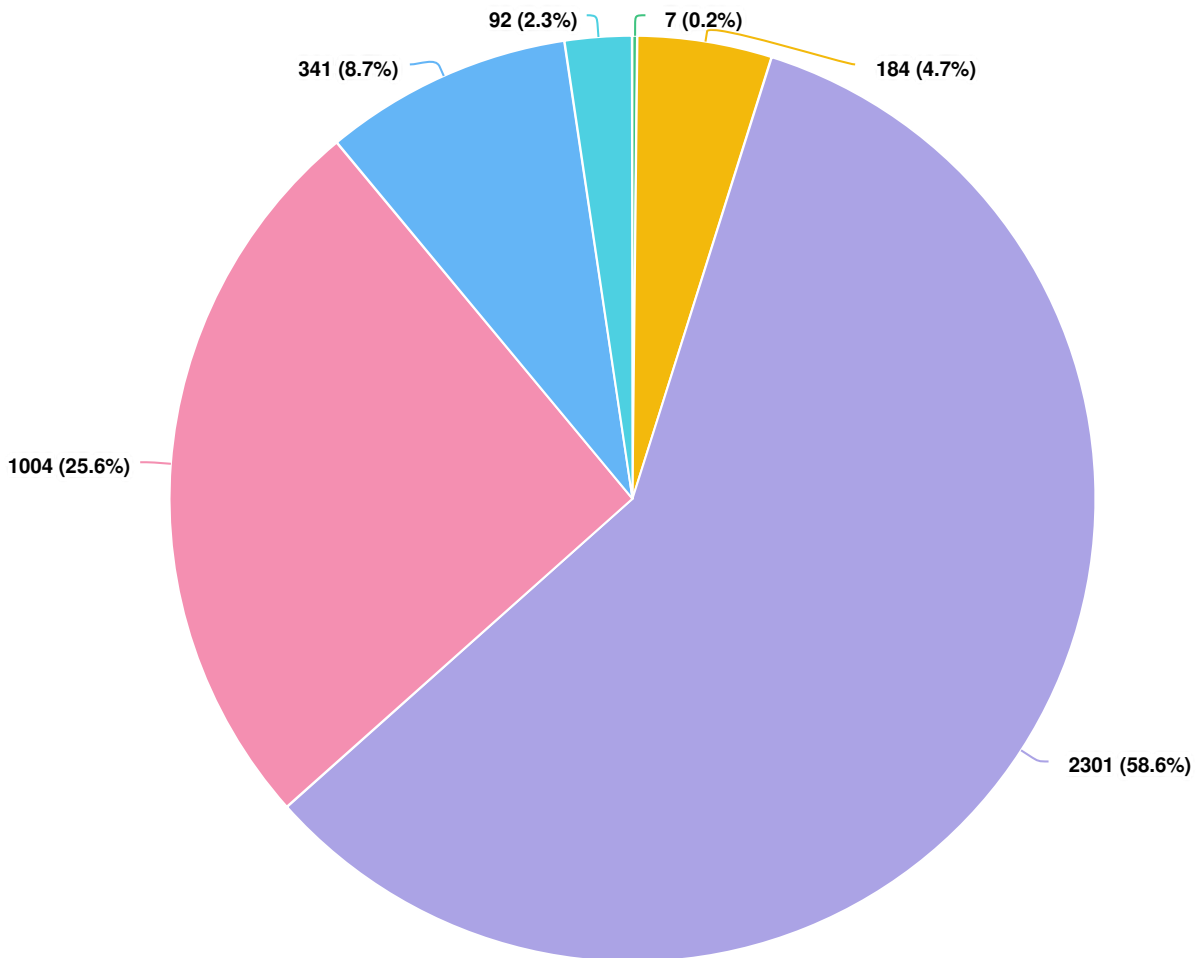
**Question options**

- Female
- Male
- Non-binary
- Other
- Prefer not to answer

Mandatory Question (3929 response(s))

Question type: Radio Button Question

### What range best describes your age?



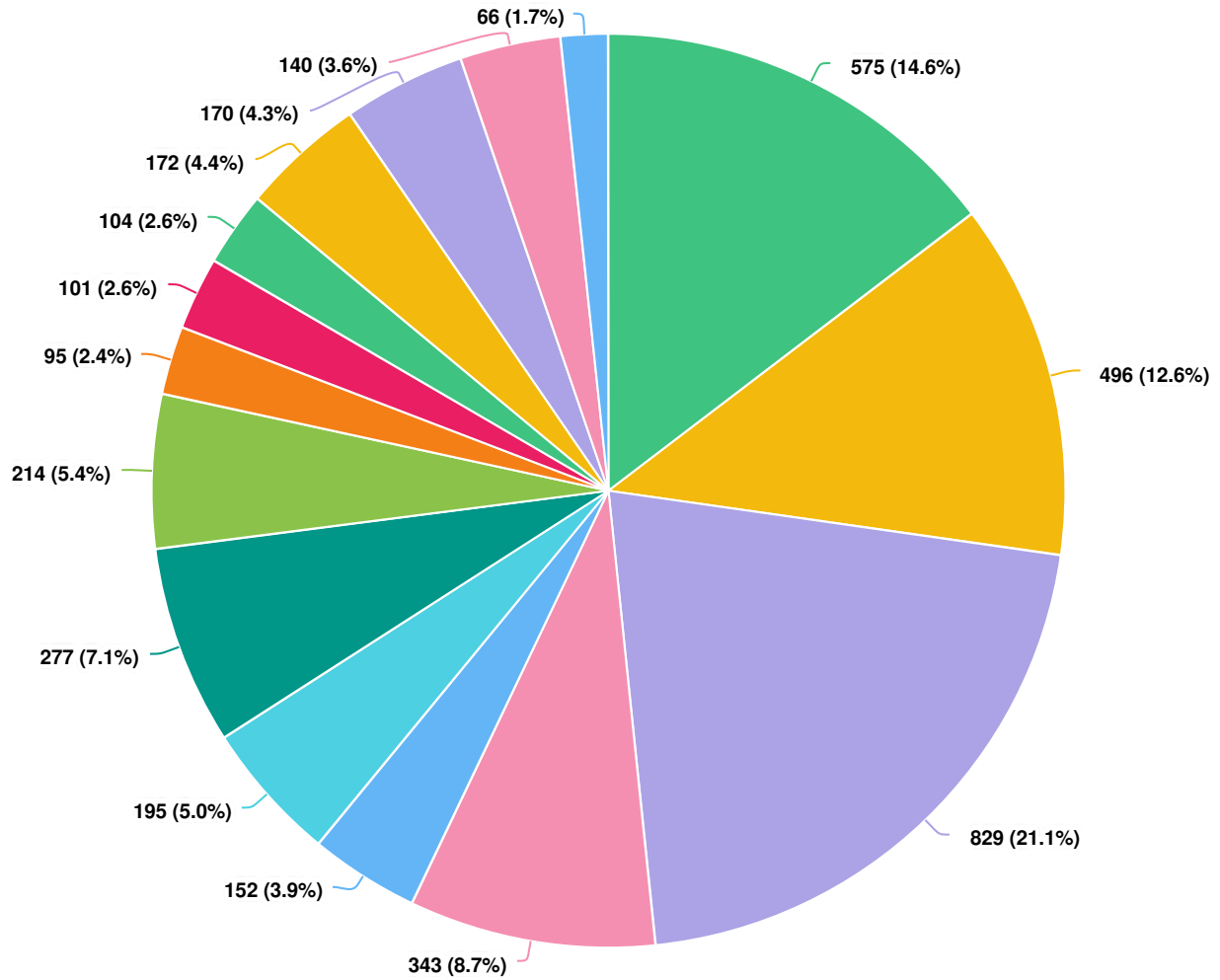
**Question options**

- 0 to 17 years
- 18 to 24 years
- 25 to 44 years
- 45 to 64 years
- 65 years or older
- Prefer not to answer

Mandatory Question (3929 response(s))

Question type: Radio Button Question

### In which ward is your main residence located?



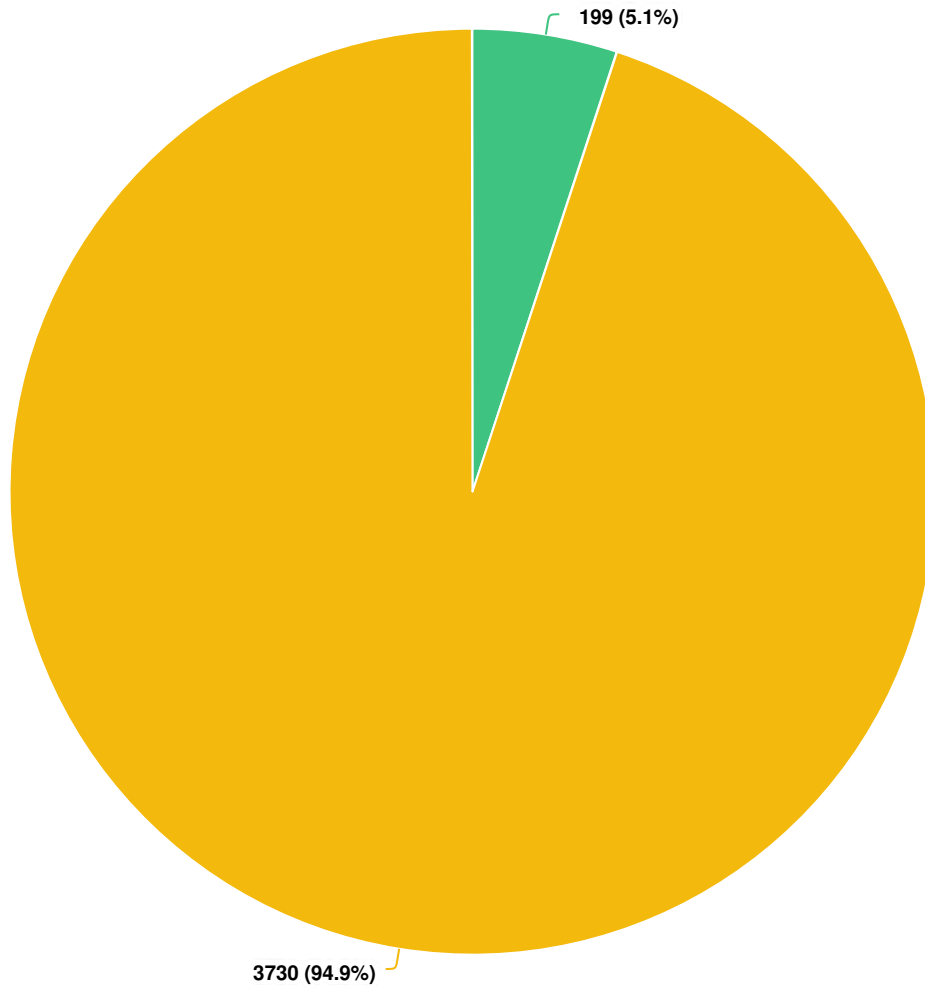
**Question options**

- Ward 1
- Ward 2
- Ward 3
- Ward 4
- Ward 5
- Ward 6
- Ward 7
- Ward 8
- Ward 9
- Ward 10
- Ward 11
- Ward 12
- Ward 13
- Ward 14
- Ward 15

Mandatory Question (3929 response(s))

Question type: Dropdown Question

### Where do you currently reside in the City of Hamilton?



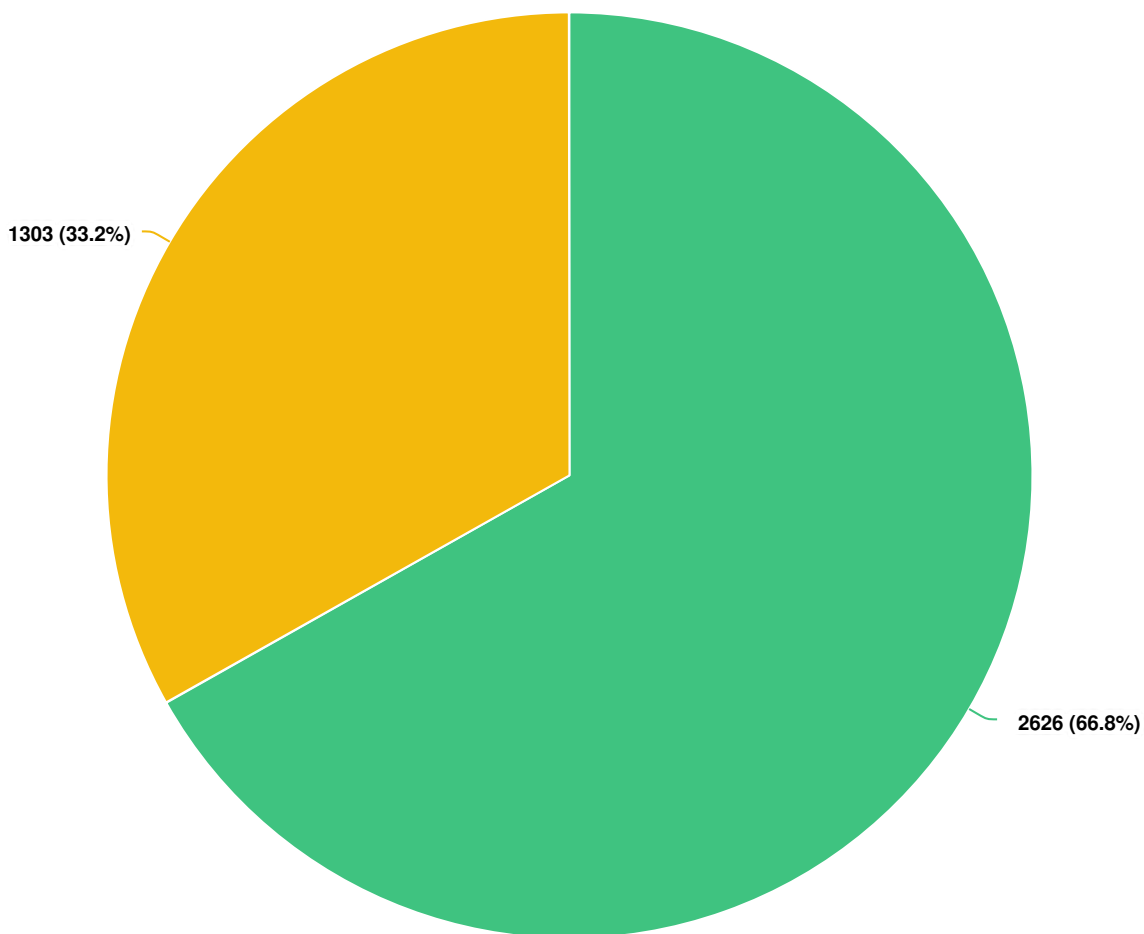
**Question options**

- Rural Area (does not receive transit service)
- Urban Area (receives transit service)

*Mandatory Question (3929 response(s))*

*Question type: Radio Button Question*

**Do you own or rent your main residence (whether it is a house, apartment, condominium, or any other place you call "home") ?**



**Question options**

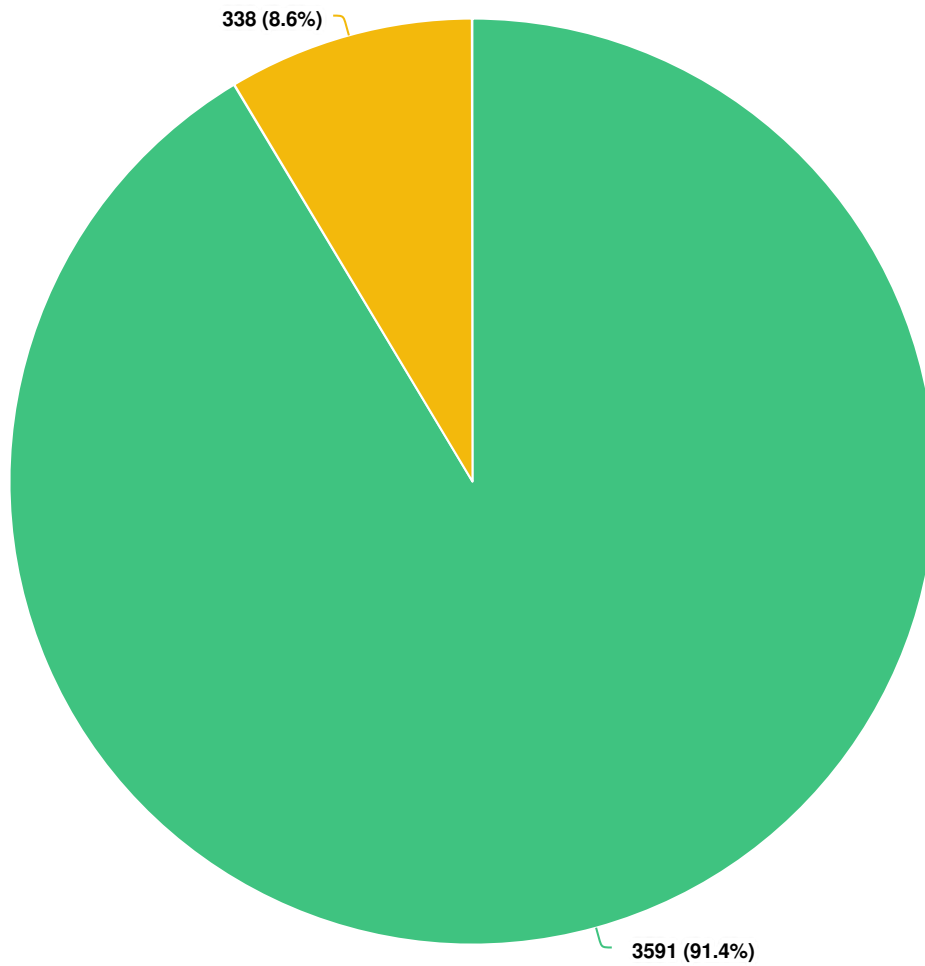
- I own
- I rent

Mandatory Question (3929 response(s))

Question type: Radio Button Question



### Do you support the idea of a vacant home tax?



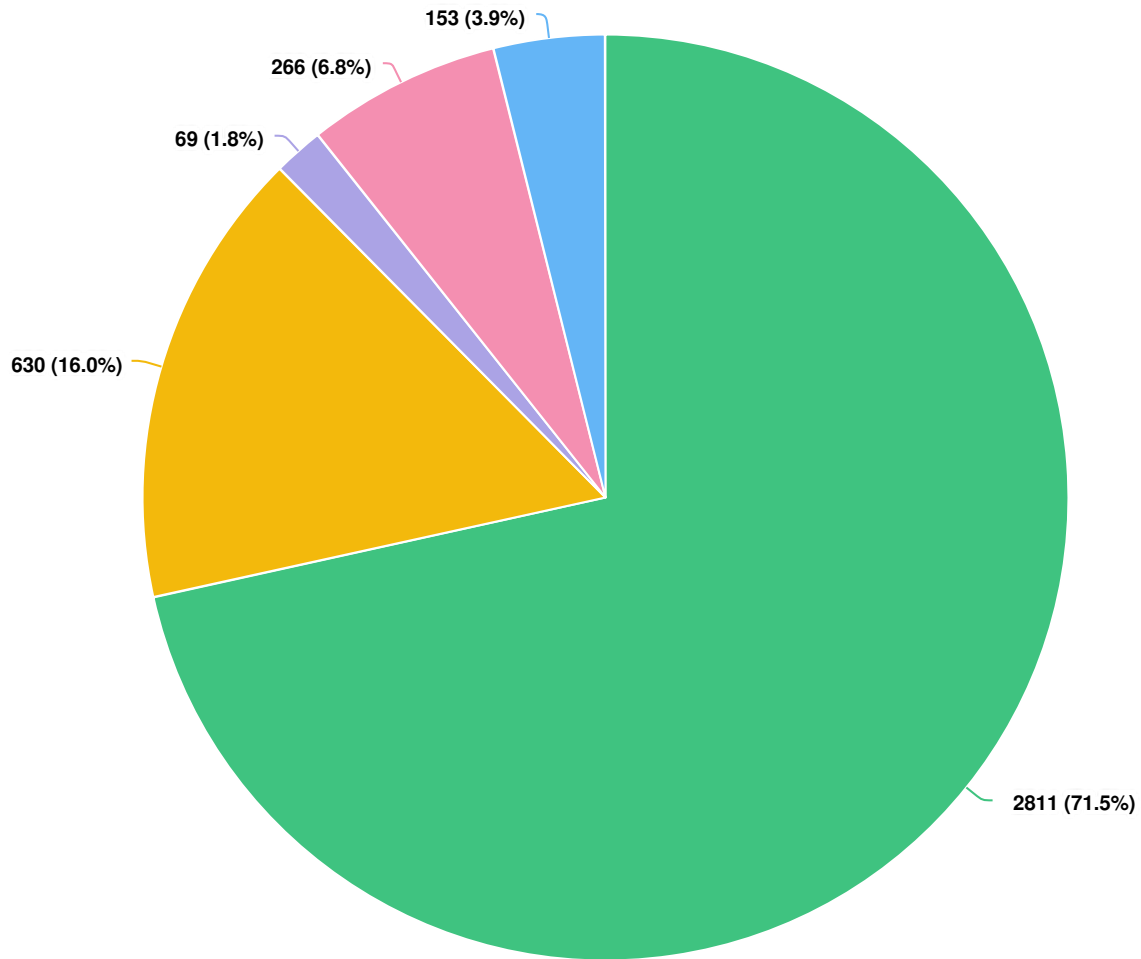
**Question options**

- Yes
- No

Mandatory Question (3929 response(s))

Question type: Radio Button Question

### Do you think the number of vacant homes in Hamilton is negatively impacting the supply of affordable housing?



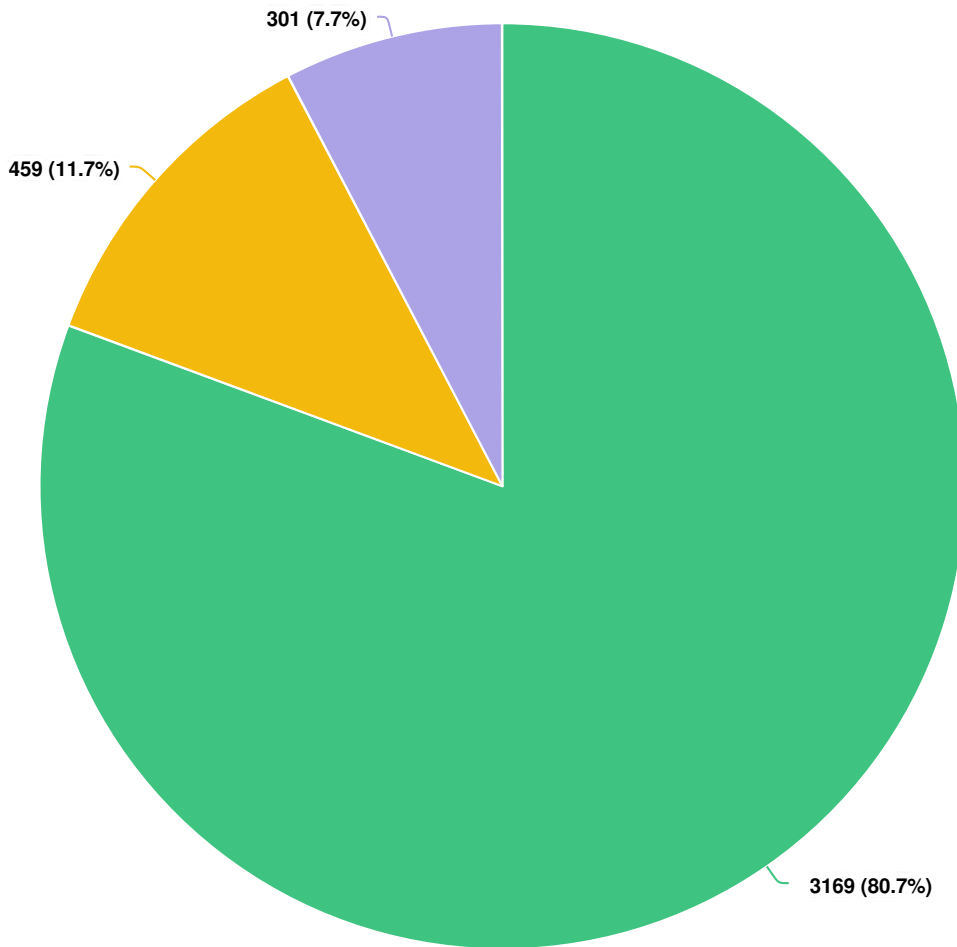
**Question options**

- Agree
- Somewhat Agree
- Somewhat Disagree
- Disagree
- Don't Know

Mandatory Question (3929 response(s))

Question type: Radio Button Question

**The City of Hamilton is considering a mandatory declaration to identify vacant homes:  
Every homeowner in Hamilton would be required to tell the City if their home is  
occupied or vacant each year. Residents who do not report their status to the City...**



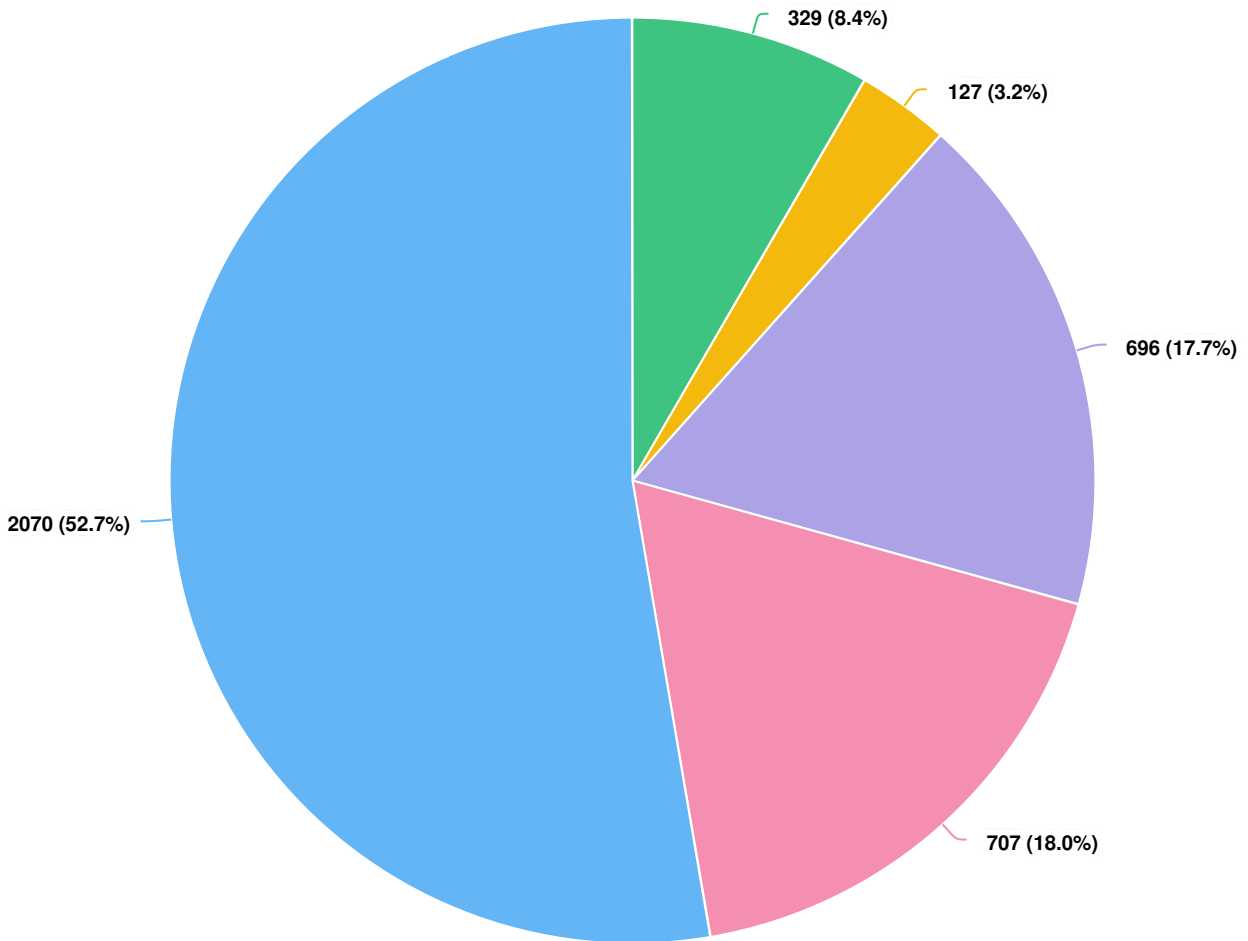
**Question options**

- I support this approach
- I do not support this approach
- I am not sure

Mandatory Question (3929 response(s))

Question type: Radio Button Question

If the City of Hamilton was to implement a vacant home tax, what rate of tax should be applied? (For illustration purposes, assume a property with a \$381,000 assessment).



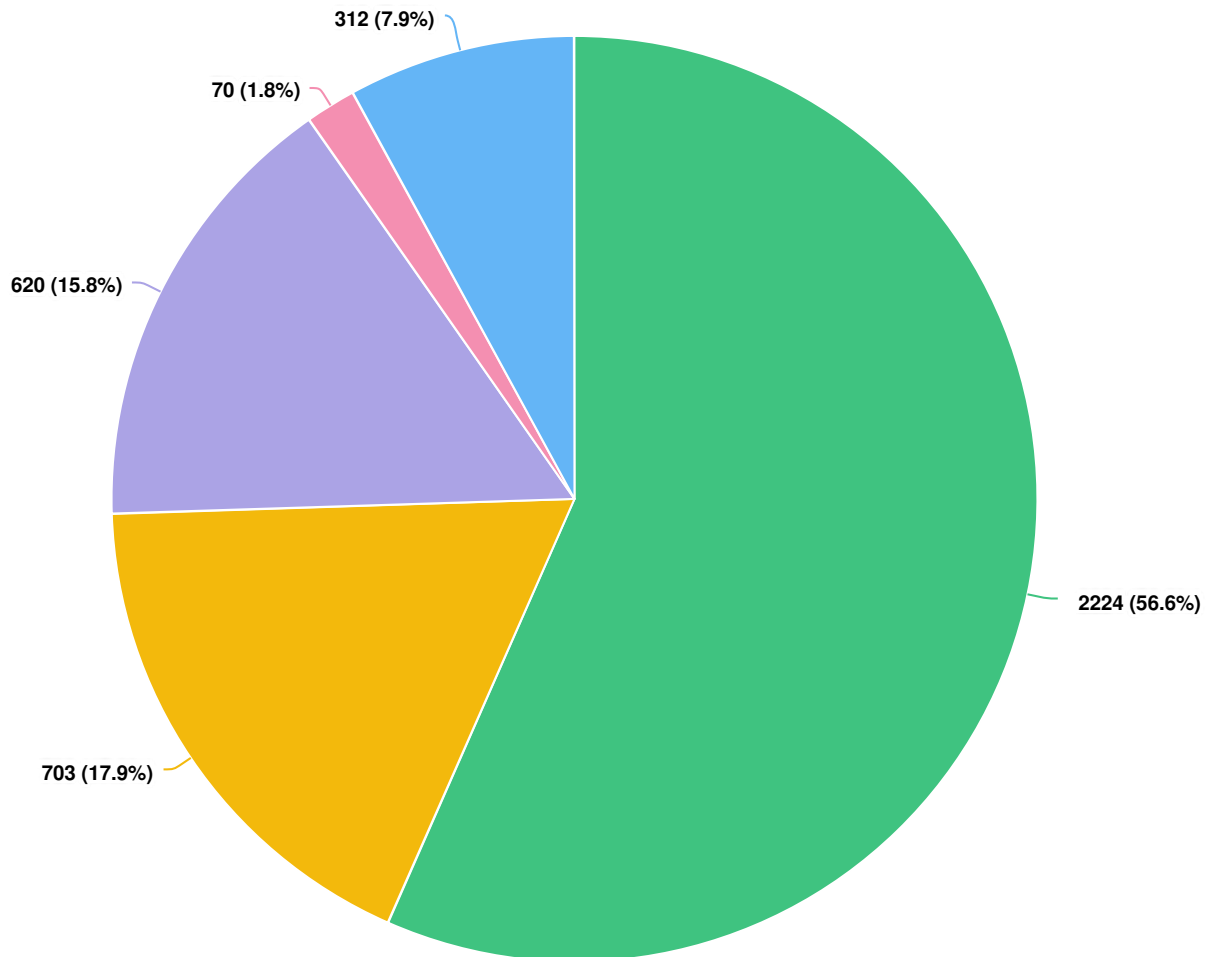
**Question options**

- None; I don't think the city should tax vacant homes
- Less than 0.5% of the assessed property value (\$1,900 for a home assessed at \$381,000)
- 1% of the assessed property value (\$3,800 for a home assessed at \$381,000)
- 1.5% of the assessed property value (\$5,700 for a home assessed at \$381,000)
- More than 2% of the assessed property value (\$7,600 or more for a home assessed at \$381,000)

Mandatory Question (3929 response(s))

Question type: Radio Button Question

### How long should a property be unoccupied to be considered vacant, for the purpose of applying the vacant home tax?



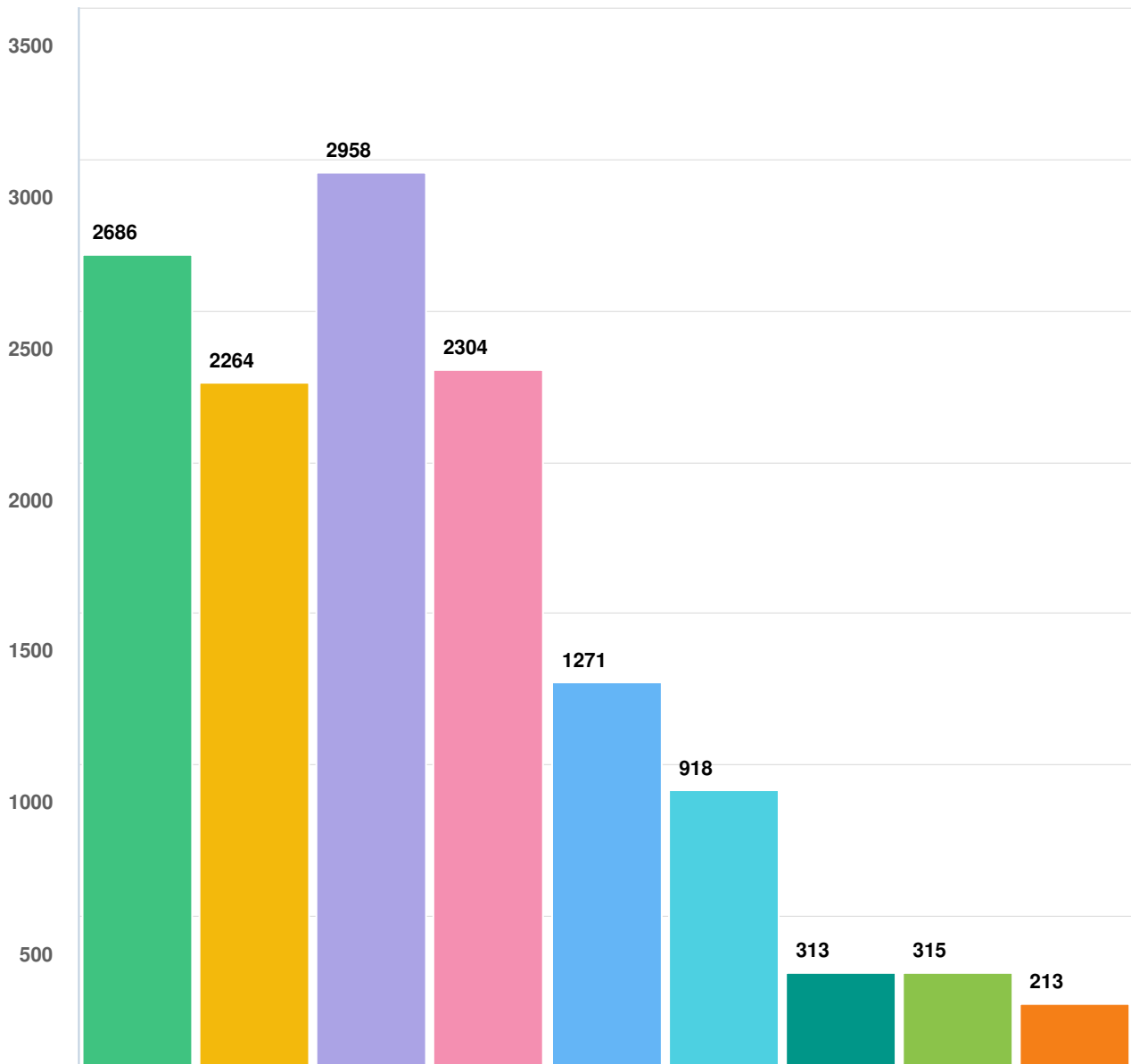
**Question options**

- 6 consecutive months
- 9 consecutive months
- 12 consecutive months
- 18 consecutive months
- I don't think the city should tax vacant homes

Mandatory Question (3929 response(s))

Question type: Radio Button Question

**The City may grant exemptions for vacant properties if they meet specific criteria. Select all exemptions to the vacant home tax (VHT) that you support.**



**Question options**

- A residential property that is undergoing renovations and has the appropriate building permits
- A residential property that is vacant due to the death of the owner(s)
- A residential property that is vacant because the occupant was residing in a healthcare facility for medical care
- A residential property that is vacant because it is under a court order prohibiting the owner from selling, occupying, or renting the property
- A residential property that has been listed for sale and unoccupied during this time
- A residential property that has been listed for rent and unoccupied during this time
- There should be no exemptions to the VHT
- I don't think the city should tax vacant homes
- Other (please specify)

Mandatory Question (3929 response(s))

Question type: Checkbox Question