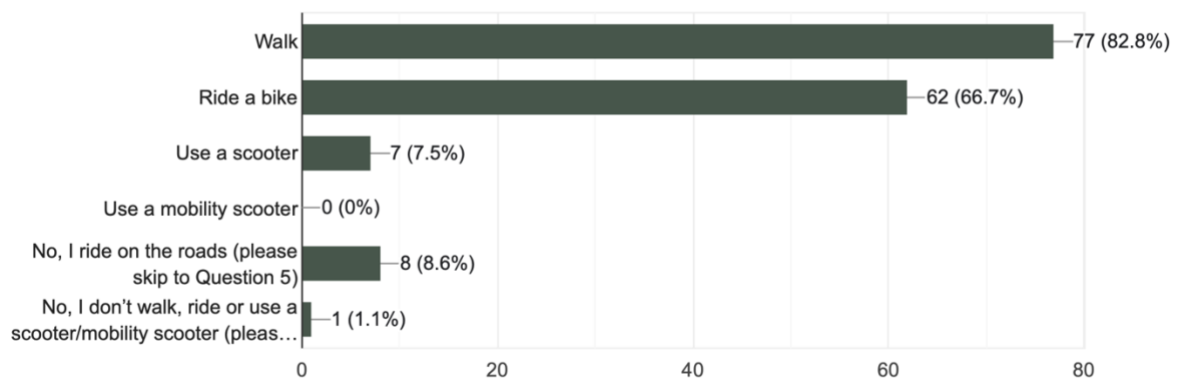


# Zero Emissions Noosa Inc: Walking and Cycling in the Noosa Region

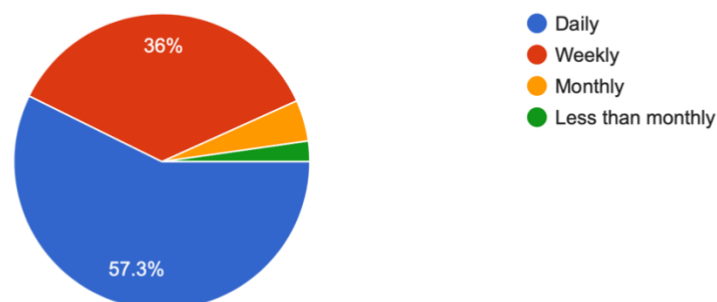
1. Do you and/or your family walk, ride a bike or use a scooter or mobility scooter on cycleways and footpaths in the Noosa Council Area? Choose all that apply.

93 responses



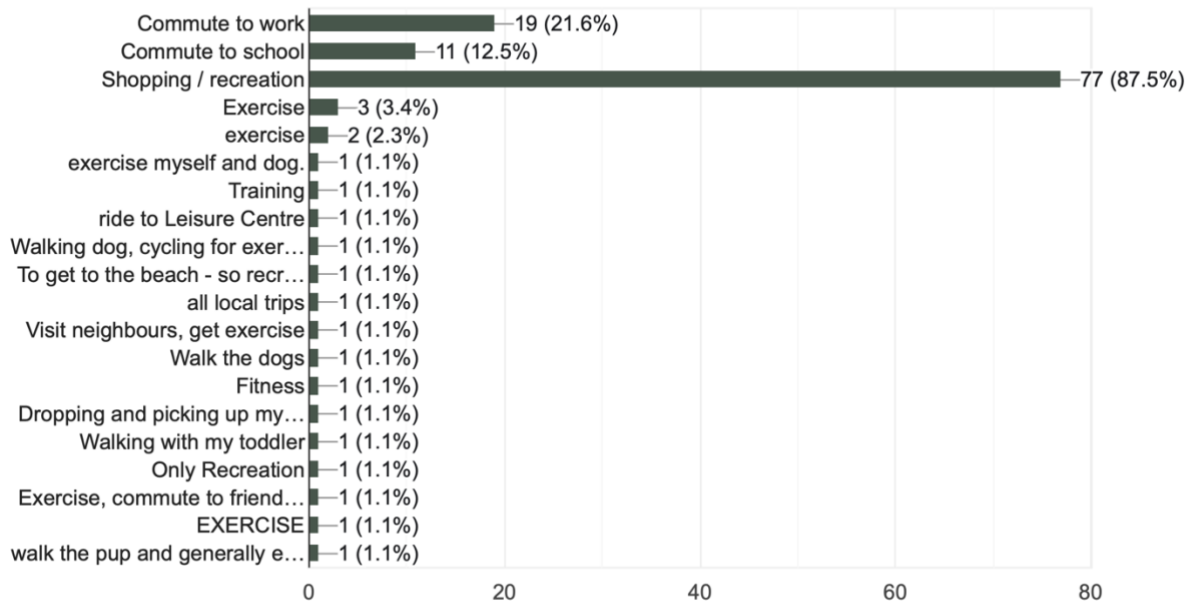
2. How often do you walk or ride a bike or use a scooter or mobility scooter on cycleways and footpaths in the Noosa Council area?

89 responses



### 3. What do you walk, ride or use a scooter/mobility scooter to do? Choose as many as apply.

88 responses

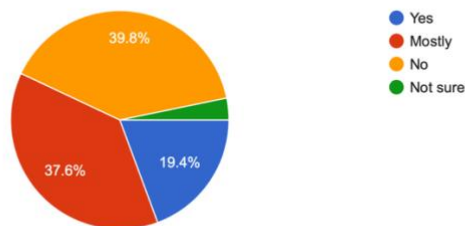


### 4. Where is your primary route/destination (location)?

Responses varied from Noosa Heads to the Hinterland

### 5. Do the current pathways in Noosa go to all the places you'd like to walk/ride/scoot to?

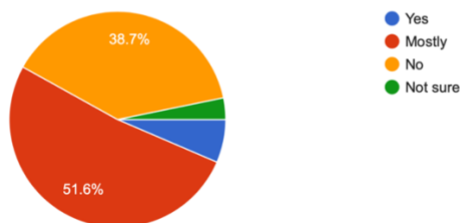
93 responses



### 6. Are the current cycleways and footpaths safe for walking, bike riding/scooting?

Yes/mostly/no/not sure

93 responses



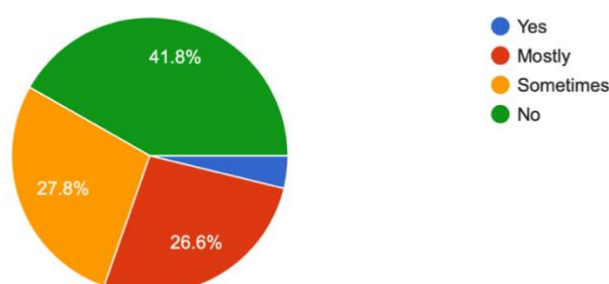
## 7. If no, please tell us why they are unsafe:

### 57 Responses varied and included:

- Maintenance of trees/branches over pathway, intersections and roundabouts difficult to navigate at Eumundi Noosa Rd and a few areas in Tewantin. Shared pathways along Noosa Dr can be congested.
- Bike paths marked on road often have cars parked in them.
- Mixed uses & different speeds plus usually not wide enough
- Gympie Terrace - pathways has high level of pedestrians so cycling required on Rd, challenging with vehicles reversing for parking and narrow on road cycle lane
- Poor lighting. Lack of maintenance.
- The cycle lanes on the road are not physically segregated from the road traffic.
- A bit more light between Sunshine Beach and the Junction would help.
- No where to get off the road on Forest Acres Drive and Lake Macdonald Drive.
- In many places, you have to ride in the road, or in a tiny strip of space next to the road with no separation. Noosa Hill is the worst spot.
- The footpath outside between Bottlebrush Ave and Sunshine Beach Road (outside Puncheur cafe) is too narrow and uneven.
- Most activities involve some road riding as well as the paths.
- A "No passing cycles" sign would greatly add to safety for all.
- Pedestrians and cyclists are incompatible.
- Eumundi Noosa road is unsafe for bike and e scooters and impossible to walk

## 8. If you ride in bike lanes on roadways, do you feel safe?

79 responses



## 9. If sometimes or no, please tell us the locations where you feel most unsafe?

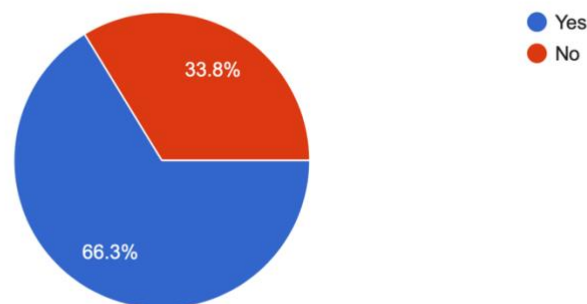
### 57 Responses included:

- Tewantin Bridge, Hastings St Hill, Eumundi Noosa Rd at Beckmans
- David Low Way
- Hilton Tce, Gympie Tce, Noosa Pde.
- Noosa Junction, Boreen Pt Rd, Noosa Drive from Junction to Hastings St
- Cooroy Noosa Road, Eumundi Road
- Bridges on Noosa Parade, Monks Bridge, McKinnon Drive, ALL roundabouts
- Brisbane City Council banned street parking in certain bike designated areas 20 years ago so don't see why Noosa shouldn't do that
- Tinbeerwah
- Tewantin Cooroy Road
- Around Sunrise Beach, schools and community venues
- I often stop and get off at an intersection esp. turning off Solway Drive in Sunshine.
- 1. The bridges 2. Sometimes non local walkers don't 'share the path' on the Gympie Tce path but a bell helps. 'Children Playing' signs might help & a painted line down the middle of the path.

- Noosaville, Noosa Parade, even with upgrade as people open car doors into bike lane.
- No bike lanes anyway in the hinterland.
- Roundabouts, especially BP roundabout on Weyba Rd & roundabout near Bunnings. Also, Gibsons Road/Mary St, industrial district and Cooroy Noosa Roads as well as Eumundi Noosa Roads.
- Prince / Charles / Albert St has no footpath, blind corners and is too narrow.
- I won't ride on the road between Cooran and Pomona as it is in poor repair and extremely dangerous due to the large volume of quarry trucks using the road.
- Between Boreen Point and Tewantin
- Ben Lexon Drive - lots of cars in the bike lane which means we have to pull out into traffic. Cars often 'veer into' bike lanes
- Roads and bikeways in Peregrine beach need an upgrade
- Springs roundabout

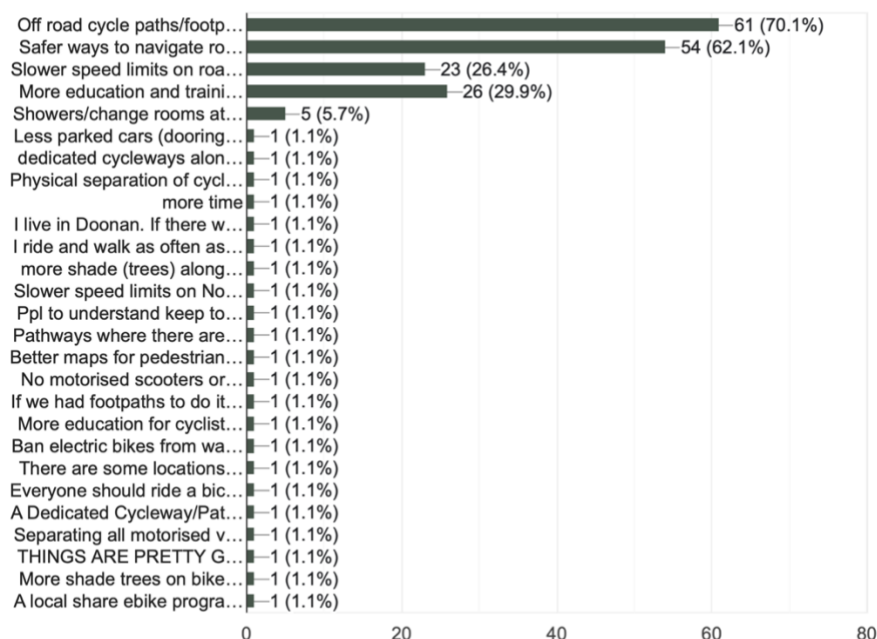
#### 10. When riding on cycle paths or footpaths, are you concerned about collisions?

80 responses



#### 11. What would support you to walk or ride more often?

87 responses



## 12. Please tell us your priorities for improving your riding/walking/scooting experience including locations.

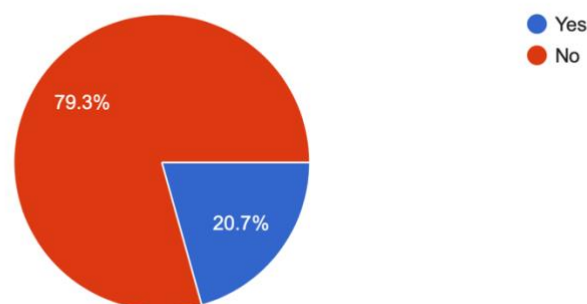
75 responses Including:

- In a time of climate crisis, I believe we need to do everything possible to look deep into the future and provide and build infrastructure to transition from current car dependence and move towards sustainable and more active transport.
- I am an experienced cyclist. Need to be made safer for children & families.
- Dedicated cycleway/ footpath between Tinbeerwah Hall and Cooroy. Improving off road trails in Tewanin, Lake Macdonald, Coorroibah, Pomona areas.
- Enforcement of rules Gympie Terrace, Roadway and pathway.
- A change in attitude from Council to make the bike top priority and the cars secondary.
- Getting rid of the boat trailers along Noosa Parade when they appear over the holiday periods.
- When a roadway is designated as a cycling route, don't allow on-street parking. This would apply to sections where it's not practical or cost-effective to develop dedicated bike paths.
- Dog owners to manage their pets better
- Bike lane on Cooroy road and slower speed limit on McKinnon Drive
- Generally cycle paths in the hinterland..
- I think driver education is a big thing.
- Australia needs a bike safety course that starts in school, so kids are safe, and then they make the whole road safe when they are adults.
- Separated bike lanes with a physical barrier. Close off roads to cars wherever possible to create more space for cycling and scooters.
- Make the routes safer - better separation from traffic, and easier to cycle - better condition of paths and wide enough.
- Cycle lanes on hinterland roads eg Pomona KK Rd or Pomona Cooran
- Priority for pedestrians and cyclists
- Noosa is a great place for walking and riding already
- Safety
- Safe access between Gympie Terrace and Hastings Street.
- Three safe crossing points in the Noosa Eumundi Road: at or near the Bunnings roundabout, at or near Goodchap Street, at or near the library
- The Noosa Eumundi Road from the Bunnings area to Goodchap St is next to impossible to cross. It would be wonderful to have an under or over pass or at least a couple of cross walks
- Infrastructure to allow e scooter transport between Eumundi and Noosa
- Paths where there are not any (off road path around to Peregrine linking Noosaville to Coolumb)
- Access from Tewanin Outlook Drive area to Noosa River avoiding Bunnings roundabout, so a path through to Gateway Drive
- I think there needs to be an alternative to having to ride up the Noosa Drive hill (both ways)
- Keep to left advertising and bike way on roads in Noosaville need upgrading
- There HAS to be separation of bikes and other motorised transport such as scooters or boards, and walking. Right now walkers are being put in danger. Older people are having to give up walking in some locations.
- Safety for all users: walk, bike, scooter.
- Separate paths for walkers and motorised scooters or bikes
- Wider paths with good surface
- Up/ Down the hill Noosa Drive
- Separate paths for walkers
- No motorised scooters or bikes on FOOTpaths Noosa River and Noosa Pde
- Mowing and maintaining them. Making sure they aren't slippery or uneven with tree roots.
- More signs for cyclists re respect & how to's
- Make it safe, especially for children
- Stamped signage encouraging cyclists to use bells. "Keep left unless overtaking" sign on Gympie Terrace. Clear guidelines would be great!

- Wider lanes for cyclists, clear signs for motorists re cyclists using lanes, education of motorists rules re cyclists and strong infringement fines
- An off road cyclepath suitable for bikes, scooters, connecting Cooran to Pomona
- A cyclepath connecting Edward St to James St.
- While there is a recreational path from Cooran to Pomona through Tuckekoi National Park, skirting Mount Cooroora, this track is not suitable for a commute to Pomona to shop or dine or visit friends and family. It is a track suitable for hikers, mountain bikes and horses. TMR has a preferred route which is published in their 2021 Priority Route Maps Addendum to South East Queensland Principal Cycle Network Plan. This pathway would be flatter and shorter and provided a walking and cycling transport route between the two towns, rather than that which we currently have which is designed to attract tourism, not service the local population in any really sense. Noosa Council is very reluctant to adopt this preferred route.
- Wider bike pathways Boreen Point to Tewantin
- Noosa junction to Noosa main beach, Wollomia way, Eumundi Noosa Rd crossing close to Eenie Creek Rd.
- Ben Lexon Drive Sunrise Beach
- Regular clearing of cycle paths
- Abolish bikes & e scooters on shared pathways. Make pathways pedestrian only. Make it compulsory for e scooters & bikes to use roadway cycle lanes as they do in Vic.
- South Peregrine beach in particular needs footpaths for pedestrians.
- More paths
- the bike paths should be defined away from walkers and joggers
- Registration of bikes to encourage riders to be more responsible and considerate of walkers.
- Crossing facilities on Eumundi Noosa Rd(Bunnings area) Tunnel, Bridge like Eenie Ck Road.
- On road bike lanes for Road Bikes( Sadly this has not been the case with the new Beckmans Rd/Noosa/Cooroy Rd).
- Ban the use of motorised vehicles (including scooters, bikes) in the off road areas of the Junction which are already crowded with eateries, etc.
- Require all motorised vehicles (scooters, bikes) to stop and dismount before entering a pedestrian crossing.
- Improving cycling and walkways in the Pomona area and a safe way to ride from Cooroy to Tewantin
- More shade trees on bike routes and in particular on nature strips.
- Share ebike program/pilot

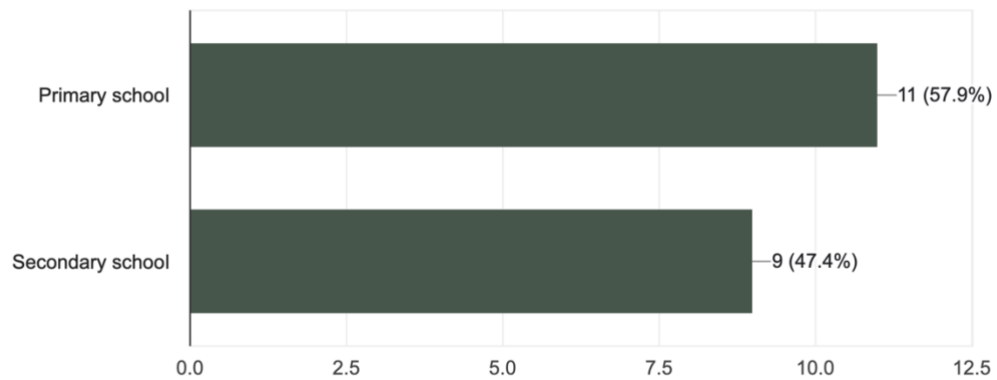
14. Do you have school-aged children? (If yes, you will be asked to answer a few more questions.)

92 responses



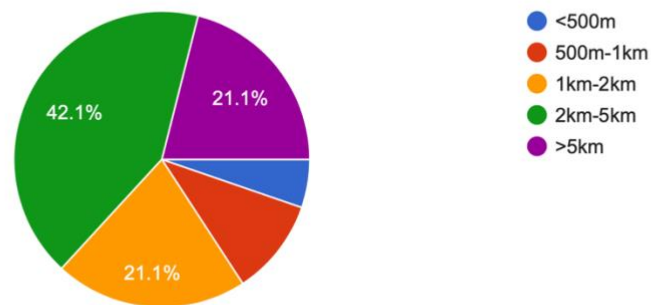
### 15. Where do your children go to school?

19 responses



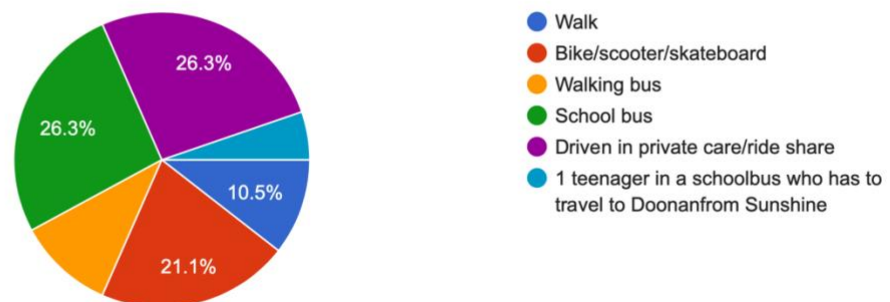
### 16. How far do your children need to travel to school?

19 responses



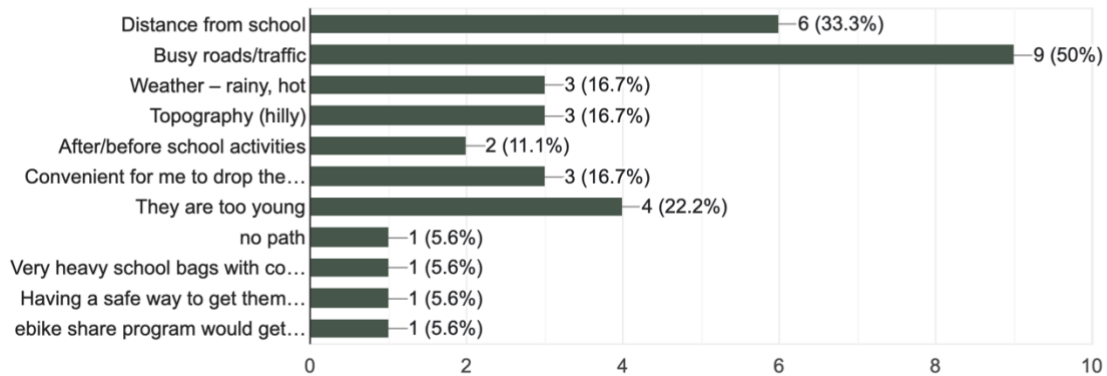
### 17. How do they usually travel to school? (Usually meaning 3 days or more per week)

19 responses



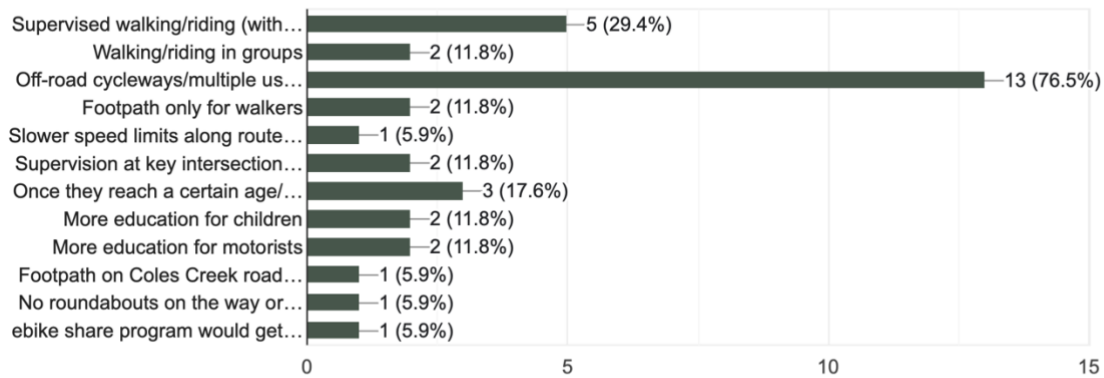
### 18. What are the barriers to your children to walk/riding more often?

18 responses



### 19. What would make you more comfortable for your children to walk/ride more often? Pick your top 3.

17 responses





20. Who would you prefer to be responsible for education for safe walking and cycling uptake and road safety skills education?

17 responses

