RDBN Agriculture Plan: CONSUMER SURVEY



1. Please choose the area which best describes where you live

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	Response Percent	Response Count
Smithers / Telkwa / Electoral Area	39.7%	48
Burns Lake / Electoral Area B	17.4%	21
Fort St. James/ Electoral Area C	14.0%	17
Fraser Lake / Endako / Fort Fraser / Electoral Area D	2.5%	3
Ootsa Lake / West Francois Lake / Electoral Area E	11.6%	14
Vanderhoof / Cluculz Lake / Electoral Area F	5.0%	6
Houston / Topley / Granisle / Electoral Area G	5.8%	7
Other (please specify)	4.1%	5
	answered question	121
	skipped question	2

2. How long have you lived in the area?

Response Count	Response Percent	
16	13.4%	less than 5 years
36	30.3%	5-15 years
67	56.3%	15+ years
119	answered question	
4	skipped question	

3. Please tell us your age category.

	Response Percent	Response Count
under 19 years	1.7%	2
19-34 years	18.3%	22
35-49 years	35.0%	42
50-64 years	35.0%	42
65+ years	10.0%	12
	answered question	120
	skipped question	3

4. What is your interest in agriculture? (Check all that apply)

		Response Percent	Response Count
consume local farm products		88.2%	105
consider agriculture important		77.3%	92
want to consume local farm products		68.1%	81
Other (please specify)		26.1%	31
	answered	I question	119
	skipped	question	4

5. Where do you shop for food? (please select all that apply)

	Response Percent	Response Count
grocery store	98.3%	116
farmer's market	81.4%	96
bakery	54.2%	64
deli / specialty meat shop	44.9%	53
farm gate / direct from farm	55.9%	66
Other (please specify)	16.1%	19
	answered question	118
	skipped question	5

6. If you shop at a local farmer's market, are you satisfied with the products available for purchase?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	60.4%	67
No	27.9%	31
N/A	11.7%	13
	If no, why not?	45
	answered question	111
	skipped question	12

7. Have you ever bought food direct from a farm?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	78.8%	93
No	21.2%	25

If yes, then where have you purchased direct from a farm?

78

answered question 118
skipped question 5

8. Would you be interested in participating in a program where a selection of local food is made available in a weekly/monthly assortment?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	79.1%	87
No	20.9%	23
	Comments:	36
	answered question	110
	skipped question	13

9. What local products would you be most interested in purchasing? (please select all that apply)

	Response Percent	Response Count
meat products	83.6%	97
dairy products	73.3%	85
eggs	79.3%	92
vegetables	86.2%	100
fruit	84.5%	98
Other (please specify)	20.7%	24
	answered question	116
	skipped question	7

10. What is most important to you when choosing one food product over another? (please select a maximum of three)

	Response Percent	Response Count
price	45.7%	53
availability	18.1%	21
freshness	54.3%	63
quality	75.0%	87
organic	37.1%	43
locally produced	75.9%	88
Other (please specify)	2.6%	3
	answered question	116
	skipped question	7

11. Would you like to see local food products made available in grocery stores and restaurants?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	100.0%	117
No	0.0%	0

Comments:

25

answered question	117
skipped question	6

12. Would you be willing to pay more for a locally produced food product?

	Response Percent	e Response Count
Yes	86.6%	97
No	13.4%	5 15

Comments:

29

answered question	112
skipped question	11

13. If yes, then how much more?

	Response Percent	Response Count
5%	18.8%	19
10%	43.6%	44
15%	14.9%	15
Other (please specify)	22.8%	23
	answered question	101
	skipped question	22

14. What would encourage you to purchase more local agricultural food products? (please select a maximum of three)

	Response Percent	Response Count
increased accessibility of local food products	89.7%	105
more variety of local food products	53.0%	62
knowledge of where to find local food products	57.3%	67
knowledge of the production practices of local food producers	33.3%	39
knowledge of the health benefits of local food products	8.5%	10
a relationship with local food producers	35.0%	41
Other (please specify)	9.4%	11
	answered question	117
	skipped question	6

15. Which of the following do you think would be the most effective way to market local food products? (please select a maximum of three)

	Response Percent	Response Count
word of mouth	48.3%	56
local newspaper/newsletter	63.8%	74
radio	16.4%	19
internet	32.8%	38
a local producers directory	60.3%	70
social media (e.g. twitter, facebook)	27.6%	32
Other (please specify)	21.6%	25
	answered question	116
	skipped question	7

16. What is the most important benefit associated with local food production?

	Response Percent	Response Count
increased food quality and freshness	25.0%	29
increased food security	23.3%	27
support for local economy	37.9%	44
Other (please specify)	13.8%	16
	answered question	116
	skipped question	7

17. What is preventing or discouraging you from buying more local food products?	
	Response Count
	98
answered question	98
skipped question	25
18. What are the best ways for the Regional District to help increase the production growth, and sale of local foods products?	١,
	Response Count
	88
answered question	88
skipped question	35
19. Any other comments or suggestions?	
	Response Count
	36
answered question	36
skipped question	87