

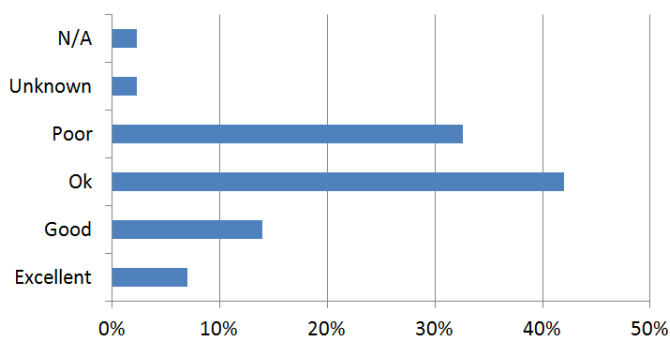


Benalla Parenting Needs Survey Results

The survey was conducted in late 2014 by Benalla Health, Benalla Rural City Council, Tomorrow Today Foundation and early child care centres. The results will be used to help meet parenting needs into the future.

A total of 43 surveys were collected.

How would you rate the Benalla CBD in finding a suitable place to feed/change your child?



Benalla was rated as Ok or Poor by most when finding a place to feed/change children.

64% want more parent rooms to which would be private, with a separate toilet, and comfortable seating.

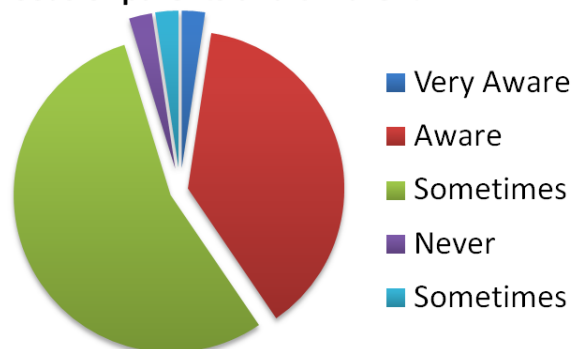
15% wanted an enclosed safe area. Other facilities include changing tables at cafes, family friendly rooms at pool, wider doors for prams and more advertisement.

Most respondents obtained information about facilities from Maternal Child Health, friends, family and the internet.

49% of respondents found local businesses to be supportive of breastfeeding, with 9 wanting more breastfeeding signs.

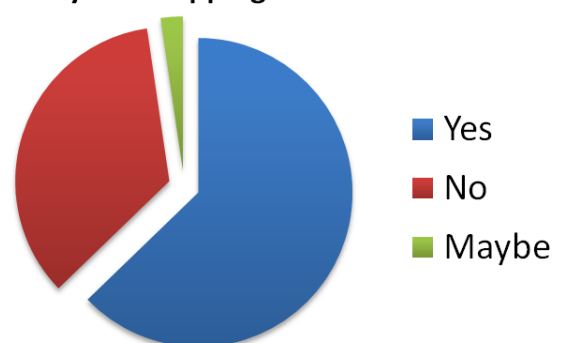
People's experiences feeding and changing babies were both positive and negative in Benalla. 23% had changed or fed their baby in a car, with 13% in other places like benches, toilet floors, laps and prams.

Is the Benalla community aware of the needs of parents and children?



Many parents shopping is impacted by the lack of facilities with 60% preferring to shop where there are facilities, 27% limiting the time spent at shops and 7% avoiding shopping.

Does the availability of parent rooms affect your shopping choices?



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