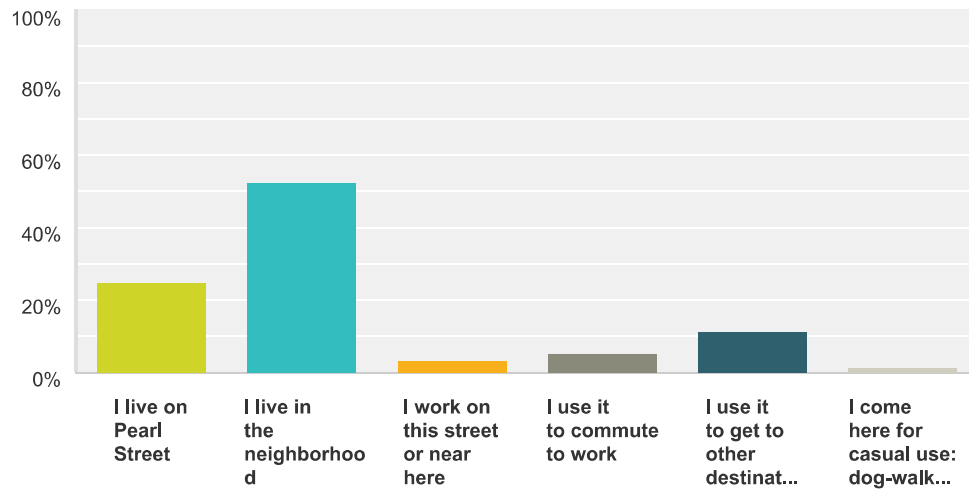


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Q1 Why do you most frequently travel on Pearl St.?

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Answer Choices	Responses
I live on Pearl Street	25.00% 83
I live in the neighborhood	52.71% 175
I work on this street or near here	3.61% 12
I use it to commute to work	5.42% 18
I use it to get to other destinations	11.75% 39
I come here for casual use: dog-walking, jogging, etc.	1.51% 5
Total	332

#	Comments:	Date
1	I walk and bike every day from Granite st to Mass Ave	11/7/2014 12:36 PM
2	It's also my preferred bike route when I'm coming home from Central Square and beyond...	11/6/2014 2:55 PM
3	all of these apply except no 1	11/4/2014 1:41 PM
4	I live off Pearl Street on Watson Street.	11/3/2014 6:22 PM
5	I live on Glenwood and frequently travel on Pearl.	11/1/2014 3:03 PM
6	I live less than a block from Pearl St., and I frequently walk and bike on it.	11/1/2014 2:45 PM
7	By car, we are forced onto it via Glenwood Ave, where we live!	10/31/2014 2:44 PM
8	I live on the corner of pearl and cottage st and have been active in maintaining the corner and taking great preide in taking care of trees and also my personal garden which has been featured on the cambridge garden tour for many years.	10/30/2014 10:24 PM
9	I live just off of Pearl.	10/30/2014 7:32 AM
10	Esp. to attend functions & deliver/pick up art at Gallery263	10/28/2014 4:22 PM
11	Live on Valentine St	10/28/2014 8:39 AM

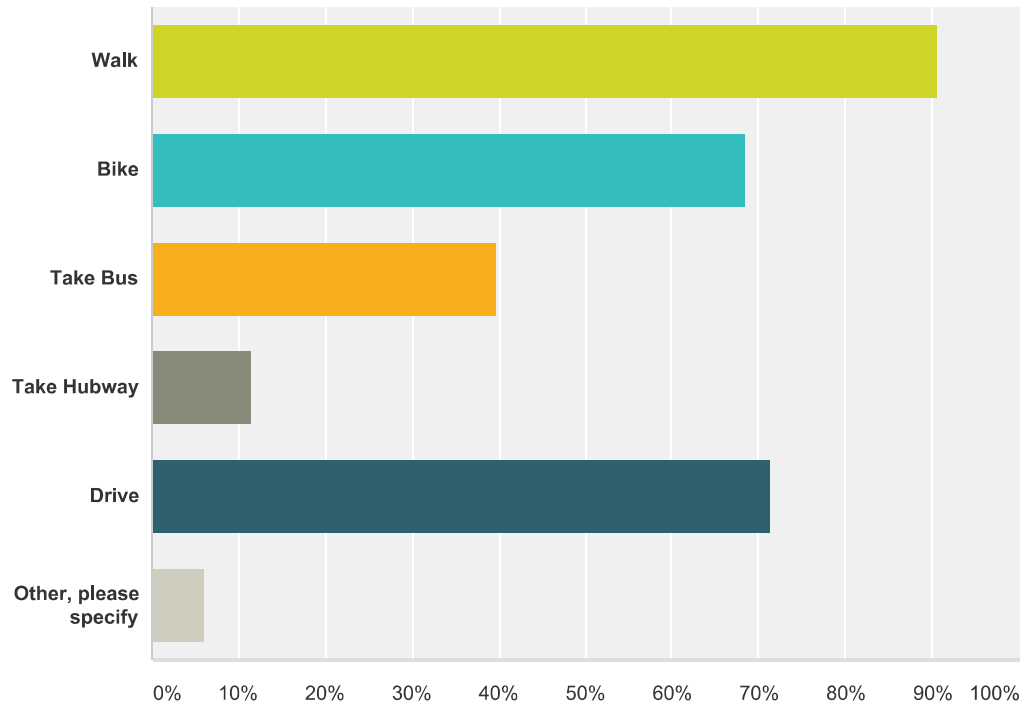
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12	I work at Gallery 263, on Pearl and Putnam. Big windows onto Pearl Street.	10/27/2014 11:30 PM
13	I grew up in Cambridge and now I live just a few blocks down the road	10/27/2014 7:37 PM
14	I am on the corner of Erie and Pearl	10/27/2014 7:31 PM
15	Pearl St is a critical street for bicycle use as a complement to Brookline Street, which is in the opposite direction. However, it is dangerous at present because of the parked cars and high speed of automobile traffic, which also deters people from riding bicycles from Cambridgeport to Central Square	10/27/2014 5:21 PM
16	I would travel on Peal Street more often but I find it is a bit crowded for a bicycle, so I usually only go 2-3 blocks	10/27/2014 4:47 PM
17	Coming from Central Sq to Memorial Drive, BU Bridge	10/27/2014 3:07 PM
18	I also use it to commute home from work (walking, biking, bus, depending on the day), and the bus route that goes down it goes by me (as I'm one building off Pearl on Putnam).	10/27/2014 11:08 AM
19	Use it to walk to other destinations (mainly up to central sq)	10/27/2014 10:40 AM
20	it's the closest street that leads to our condo (between brookline/pearl)	10/27/2014 10:39 AM
21	My children and I bike to their school down Pearl St. Because of where we live in the neighborhood, we can either bike down Pearl or Magazine. Neither is ideal for biking, so a bike lane on Pearl would be helpful.	10/27/2014 9:52 AM
22	also use it to commute to jobs and errands. My daughter lives there	10/27/2014 9:18 AM
23	I live on Granite St so Pearl is often used to get to our street as well as lots of walkign around with my home prschool	10/27/2014 8:53 AM
24	I live 1/2 block off Pearl	10/27/2014 6:27 AM
25	I live one block from Pearl and use the street daily	10/27/2014 12:36 AM
26	Speridakis Terrace (dead end street off of Pearl, so Pearl Street is the only way to access the street where I live)	10/26/2014 1:32 PM
27	I live one house off of Pearl. Basically, all of the above.	10/26/2014 10:36 AM
28	I live between Pearl and Brookline on Auburn so I go down Pearl several times a day	10/25/2014 6:03 PM
29	I live on Lawrence St	10/25/2014 4:08 PM
30	Live on Pleasant and Putnam - I bike by Pearl St. from Mon-Fri.	10/25/2014 12:37 PM
31	Live here, park my car here, and prefer to use a bike for local travel and errands	10/25/2014 11:23 AM
32	My brother and his family also live on Pearl Street, so I visit there frequently.	10/25/2014 10:07 AM
33	I use it to walk to Central Sq. and to work.	10/25/2014 8:51 AM
34	Commute, recreation, use everyday	10/25/2014 7:48 AM
35	I hate walking on most parts of Pearl St. generally so much that I avoid it as much as possible.	10/24/2014 5:15 PM
36	I am a bicycle commuter and use Pearl St	10/24/2014 2:23 PM
37	I park on Pearl St. Why is this not included?	10/23/2014 9:45 AM
38	I'm on Pearl Street several times every day.	10/22/2014 9:27 PM
39	It is quieter than Magazine or sidney	10/22/2014 5:59 PM
40	I also often use it to commute to work (I walk to BU from Central).	10/22/2014 5:21 PM
41	My address is actually Chestnut St. I am on the corner of Pearl and Chestnut.....	10/22/2014 4:49 PM
42	My family infact has lived on Pearl St for six generations.	10/22/2014 3:42 PM
43	i live around the corner from Pearl Street	10/22/2014 3:11 PM
44	I think that the brick sidewalks are totally obsolete and dangerous.	10/22/2014 1:42 PM

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Q2 How do you use this street? Check all that apply:

Answered: 332 Skipped: 0



Answer Choices	Responses
Walk	90.66% 301
Bike	68.37% 227
Take Bus	39.76% 132
Take Hubway	11.45% 38
Drive	71.39% 237
Other, please specify	6.02% 20
Total Respondents: 332	

#	Other, please specify	Date
1	Rollerblade	11/7/2014 8:46 AM
2	jog, walk dog	11/5/2014 10:39 PM
3	walk dogs	11/3/2014 3:50 PM
4	neighborhood activities	10/31/2014 2:44 PM
5	I LIVE ON THE CORNER AND ALSO WALK MY DOG THREE TIMES A DAY AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD SO I GET A GOOD LOOK AT HOW PEARL ST IS USED AS COMPARED TO OTHER STREETS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD.	10/30/2014 10:24 PM
6	Motorcycle	10/30/2014 3:34 PM

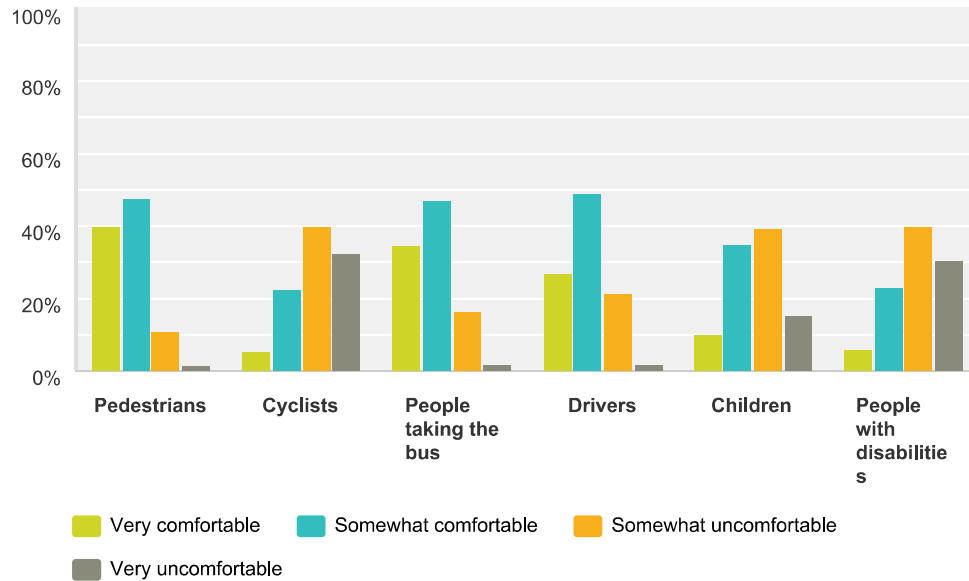
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7	Kids use scooters, I sometimes push a baby stroller.	10/28/2014 11:54 AM
8	Parking	10/28/2014 9:17 AM
9	live on the street	10/27/2014 3:09 PM
10	Park	10/27/2014 7:34 AM
11	My kids walk/cross on their own	10/27/2014 6:27 AM
12	Park our car (we don't have a driveway, unfortunately)	10/26/2014 9:16 PM
13	Very tight for buses. Magazine would make more sense for them	10/26/2014 10:14 AM
14	mostly use Magazine and Brookline for biking	10/25/2014 11:23 AM
15	I drive down it a lot, as it's a quick route to my home on a side street, but find biking dangerous on it.	10/24/2014 5:15 PM
16	Park	10/23/2014 9:45 AM
17	park	10/22/2014 8:07 PM
18	Park	10/22/2014 3:42 PM
19	jog	10/22/2014 1:42 PM
20	run	10/22/2014 12:00 PM

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Q3 How comfortable (safe, convenient, etc.) is Pearl St. for the following users? Please rank the comfort of the street for each travel type by checking a button for the types you use:

Answered: 332 Skipped: 0



	Very comfortable	Somewhat comfortable	Somewhat uncomfortable	Very uncomfortable	Total
Pedestrians	40.24% 132	47.26% 155	10.98% 36	1.52% 5	328
Cyclists	5.44% 16	22.45% 66	39.80% 117	32.31% 95	294
People taking the bus	34.48% 80	46.98% 109	16.38% 38	2.16% 5	232
Drivers	27.12% 80	49.15% 145	21.69% 64	2.03% 6	295
Children	10.19% 21	34.95% 72	39.32% 81	15.53% 32	206
People with disabilities	6.10% 10	23.17% 38	40.24% 66	30.49% 50	164

#	Comments:	Date
1	Weird cracks and lumps all over. Some parts are lumpy all the way across the road and there's no safe spot to ride through. Buss and cars always try to pass quickly with little room and it's very dangerous when its through a rough patch.	11/8/2014 5:27 PM
2	Automobiles drive too fast on Pearl Street.	11/8/2014 9:53 AM
3	The most uncomfortable thing currently (for all) is the potholes, but for bicyclists it's also a hazard because it forces swerving.	11/7/2014 12:53 PM

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4	Walking on the sidewalk is safe as long it is clean and there is no snow. I bike on with the kids on the sidewalk because I am afraid of the traffic. I use to hate the side walks when my kids needed strollers, but once they grow I love the brick and the irregularity that comes with it	11/7/2014 12:36 PM
5	The street functions like a large parking lot with a travel lane down the middle, with little more than basic accommodations for pedestrian crossing (a lot of unsafe jaywalking). Bus facilities consist only of signs. There are zero bicycle facilities. This street can be a major thoroughfare for bicycling, and should be outfitted with protected bike lanes.	11/7/2014 11:02 AM
6	I use it to travel to Microcenter/BU bridge/Trader Joe's while avoiding Central Square. Central Square is an awful place to bike!	11/7/2014 10:28 AM
7	Biking or rollerblading in the road is a real problem, cars always want to pass but the road is too narrow.	11/7/2014 8:46 AM
8	D	11/6/2014 9:29 PM
9	I tend to bike in the middle of the street, and get over when I can to let cars pass, rather than riding in the door zone. The fact that it is a fairly low-speed street makes this tolerable.	11/6/2014 8:32 PM
10	Pearl Street is super convenient to get from Cambridge to Boston or Brookline via the BU bridge. However, on a bike I often face the problem of cars getting stuck behind me for nearly the entire length because there isn't enough room for them to safely pass me. Leads to honks and a few times drivers yelling angrily.	11/6/2014 7:52 PM
11	The street is in rough shape	11/6/2014 7:36 PM
12	Cyclists: Lack of (protected/buffered) bike lane, although traffic is generally slow Pedestrians: Sidewalks in the neighborhood sometimes a bit uneven, rain/snow accumulation in places at times	11/6/2014 6:20 PM
13	the level of comfort varies a lot depending on the time of day (and level of traffic). oftentimes cars drive more quickly than is appropriate the sidewalk is often bumpy and narrows where there are trees, which is difficult for able-bodied people to navigate, and I imagine especially difficult for those in wheelchairs, etc	11/6/2014 5:51 PM
14	feels very narrow, sometime cars are going very fast.	11/6/2014 5:41 PM
15	Sightlines aren't great, but the biggest issue is the street width. I choose Sidney St. or Magazine street if I'm biking.	11/6/2014 5:28 PM
16	- Bumpy road and sidewalks--definitely needs repaving. - Feels like there's not enough width for cars and cyclists to share the road--cars get impatient with cyclists Would love more space and safety for cycling. - Intersection at Pearl and Green always dicey--poor visibility coming from Mass Ave and a lot of drivers on Green going toward Magazine are doing "rolling stops."	11/6/2014 2:55 PM
17	I don't have a child and I'm not disabled. For the disabled, especially if they are on wheels, I'd guess it would be challenging. The sidewalks are narrow and there are lots of trees and tree roots. That can't be helped. But the city could make special efforts to have Magazine St. work well and maybe even have signs directing people to Magazine. I have a disabled granddaughter in a wheelchair. Next time she comes to visit we'll try out Pearl St. and she can tell me what works and what doesn't.	11/6/2014 2:23 PM
18	Difficult for kids on bikes	11/6/2014 10:40 AM
19	some owners leave their trash barrels in the way of the sidewalk passage	11/5/2014 10:39 PM
20	Biggest, current concern is condition of sidewalk and roadway (more than design).	11/5/2014 7:02 PM
21	There is no room on this street as it stands for bikes and cars. When I am biking down this street and a car is attempting to pass, I feel I am in danger. Please consider removing parking spaces and adding a bike lane.	11/5/2014 6:49 PM
22	litter at Mass Ave. end, near library. People drinking alcohol around library and on steps of residential houses. sidewalks between Mass. Ave. and Franklin uneven, not always shoveled/de-iced in winter.	11/5/2014 1:01 PM
23	The sidewalks always feel safe on Pearl Street - while they should be brought up to ADA compliance, as a frequent pedestrian I feel safe walking. Pearl Street is an important passageway for cars; with the updates to the parallel streets, it is important to maintain the traffic flow on Pearl Street. I have observed many cyclists engaging in risky behavior on Pearl.	11/5/2014 12:47 PM
24	Sidewalks are not smooth, and are narrow. Too many bus stops.	11/5/2014 9:58 AM
25	Please make sure the sidewalk is good for strollers. There are gaps in paving all around the neighborhood.	11/3/2014 6:22 PM

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26	it's great having the bus on this street, but sometimes it is too narrow. Traffic generally feels slower on this street than others, but cars at cross streets are constantly near missing each other. A great example is Hamilton, on both pearl and magazine, is frequently having accidents or honking from near misses.	11/3/2014 3:50 PM
27	I bike everywhere, but try to avoid Pearl, because it is quite narrow and cars cannot pass me on my bike. I just take the lane, but I am acutely aware that I am slowing drivers down. I have had some drivers yell at me or be aggressive when I do this. Also, the surface condition on the road is pretty terrible, compared to other nearby streets, another reason that I avoid it.	11/1/2014 3:03 PM
28	Narrow street with parking on both sides- if you're biking on it, you have to be comfortable taking the lane and making cars behind you wait.	11/1/2014 2:45 PM
29	The road surface and the fact that there is parking on both sides of the street make it very uncomfortable and almost dangerous for bicycling. Some sidewalks' surfaces are difficult, especially around trees.	11/1/2014 12:23 PM
30	it's a narrow street with narrow sidewalks making it hard if two people are walking at a time and making driving hard due to parked cars that obscure visibility of drivers, walkers or riders crossing into Pearl Street.	10/31/2014 12:22 PM
31	PEOPLE TEND TO DRIVE VERY FAST ON PEARL ST. I HAVE BEEN LIVING HERE SINCE 1977 AND HAVE OBSERVED THAT FOLKS DRIVE FASTER THAN SPEED LIMIT.	10/30/2014 10:24 PM
32	Visibility is poor for people turning right from side streets in the direction of Granite. I have seen 1 accident, and several close calls. People drive too fast on the street, as they do on Magazine.	10/30/2014 3:34 PM
33	We need to find ways to slow car and bus traffic down on Pearl St. Especially in light of all the recent development.	10/30/2014 1:32 PM
34	There is no bike lane for cyclist.	10/30/2014 12:27 PM
35	There are certain sections of the sidewalk where space is taken up by large bushes or large potted plants and raised-up areas around trees that make it hard for wheel chaired bound people to pass. It even makes it hard for walkers to walk in opposite directions because we each have stop and wait for the other to pass. There should be a requirement that the sidewalks are clear of bushes, potted plants, and tree areas that make the walkable area too narrow.	10/29/2014 1:18 PM
36	Some trees are so big that the pavements are cracked and too narrow to pass by stroller or wheelchair. Need more zebra crossings. Need more lights in the middle of Pearl St - too dark and feels not safe to walk. Buses cannot get through during winter because of badly parked cars on both side of the road during snow season.	10/28/2014 11:42 PM
37	the road is a little tight in some places	10/28/2014 9:34 PM
38	very difficult to see cars at cross streets; get pulled out in front of a lot; not enough room for a car and bike	10/28/2014 8:10 PM
39	Buses are loud and dangerous. Cars speed. Hard to be comfortable as a pedestrian. Hard for drivers to see people crossing from between parked cars.	10/28/2014 5:41 PM
40	It is both nice and terrifying to bike on. When there is no traffic (almost never) it is a relatively slow street, so great for biking. But when there is any traffic, the street is so narrow you are pretty much forced into a gutter or car door. It would be great if infrastructure could be put in place to make this safer for everyone involved.	10/28/2014 5:34 PM
41	Both pedestrians and bike riders dart into traffic, etc.; many bike riders are careless scofflaws, making driving tricky.	10/28/2014 4:22 PM
42	I find the street dangerous for most users as there are no stop signs or speed control mechanisms. Cars drive very fast. Parking on both sides makes the street narrow for bikes. Buses stopping on the right often cuts off cyclists.	10/28/2014 3:36 PM
43	Parking on Pearl Street is difficult. Currently there is parking on both sides and there is just enough room for the busses and cars to get by with the parked cars. If you add a bicycle lane in it would create a parking problem for the residents	10/28/2014 2:59 PM
44	I walk with my kids, and it's fine, but there's not good visibility so I don't think it would be good for them on their own. It is hard on bikes, but I wouldn't want to lose neighborhood parking for a bike lane...	10/28/2014 2:16 PM
45	Biking is very dangerous due to no dedicated bike lane, buses, and cars speeding down the road to access the BU bridge. Walking is also hard because people drive badly and because during storms, water and ice build up on almost all street corners. It is not a kid-friendly street, I don't let my kids walk by themselves on Pearl to the library - I'd never let them bike on it.	10/28/2014 11:54 AM

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46	The bumpy sidewalks & tree roots make pushing a stroller so difficult that I often go out of my way to take Brookline instead. I bike (with attached child seat) down Pearl street and problems are (1) bumpy uneven roads, and (2) impatient drivers (but only rarely and depends on the exact time of morning). I would not support taking out an entire lane of parking for a bike lane -- the parking is too crucial for everyone in the neighborhood.	10/28/2014 10:53 AM
47	I don't feel very comfortable riding my bike on Pearl	10/28/2014 9:22 AM
48	Riding the bus or riding my bike on Pearl Street is like getting a (terrible) massage for my butt. It is incredibly bumpy, full of potholes or other pavement irregularities, and involves constant stopping by large vehicles because it is so narrow. The way it is currently set up, no one is happy while traveling on Pearl Street and everyone wants to get off it as soon as possible.	10/28/2014 9:11 AM
49	I selected "somewhat uncomfortable" for pedestrians because stop signs seem relatively uncommon on Pearl Street, and motorists seem unwilling to stop for pedestrians in crosswalks. I frequently find that motorists move through the intersection at Allston and Pearl very quickly and ignore pedestrians.	10/28/2014 9:06 AM
50	Pearl street is dangerous for bicycles due to cars parked on both sides and the narrow road.	10/28/2014 9:02 AM
51	The sidewalks are narrow for pedestrians so it is hard for people to pass. Walking with a dawdling child means that there is lots of passing. The street is not wide enough for a car to pass a bike, in many areas where there are cars parked on both sides.	10/28/2014 8:39 AM
52	Pearl street could use a re-paving for cyclists' sakes -- very bumpy. I could imagine that people with disabilities have difficulty on the cobble sidewalk. I do think that children benefit from the crossing guard who helps out on Putnam and Pearl during after-school release hour. Also, I don't know if it would be possible to help this, but the 47 bus that turns right at Pearl street onto Putnam has to turn almost all the way into to the lane of traffic going towards Kendall on Putnam, which is unavoidable because it's a tight turn for a bus. However, if you're a driver and stopped at the light, this can feel dangerous and people sometimes need to reverse to make room for the bus to turn.	10/27/2014 11:30 PM
53	Sidewalks are dangerous to walk on as they need serious repair and drivers using the road are constantly speeding.	10/27/2014 9:11 PM
54	Too much of the street is allocated to cars. It needs wider sidewalks, a protected bike area, and bus stops that make it easy for the bus to stop and restart.	10/27/2014 9:00 PM
55	All the streets in Cambridgeport are narrow for cyclists. It would help cyclists and drivers if cyclists were REQUIRED to wear reflective clothing at all times and all seasons of the year. I'm not a cyclist. I want to be able to see cyclists easily. My adult son who lives in Brookline but who used to commute through Cambridgeport ALWAYS had on a reflective vest even in summer.	10/27/2014 6:50 PM
56	Poor quality of surface makes it somewhat problematic for cars, and very problematic for cyclists.	10/27/2014 6:28 PM
57	This street is not at all comfortable for even experienced bicycle riders. Less experienced bicycle riders will simply not use Pearl St and therefore will be unlikely to ride to Central Square at all	10/27/2014 5:21 PM
58	I don't ride on the bus, my children are grown up and I don't have any disabilities, so don't have much on an opinion. For children on bicycles, I would say that Pearl Street is quite uncomfortable and dangerous.	10/27/2014 4:47 PM
59	Pretty unsafe for cyclists and no shelter at bus stops.	10/27/2014 4:13 PM
60	traffic too fast. Road very bumpy. Not safe for my kid to ride a bike either on sidewalk or street. Sidewalks narrow in places. A lot of trash on the street esp in winter	10/27/2014 3:42 PM
61	the street feels very crowded with cars parked on both sides. poor visibility for bikers. In the winter buses gets stuck because the cars park too far in the road	10/27/2014 2:46 PM
62	Pearl Street Could use a bike lane and more lights for pedestrians walking at night.	10/27/2014 2:38 PM
63	Very bumpy for biking!	10/27/2014 12:41 PM
64	I don't know how it is for people with disabilities or children. I'm neither. Perhaps disabled people have trouble. I really don't think children do: If they are young enough to need an adult to get to say Morse School, no street improvement is going to change that. I believe this street works really well right now. Perhaps a couple of you speed bumps would be prudent, but I don't think the usual traffic-calming measures are desirable. Have there been any traffic accidents involving pedestrians? More or less than normal for a mminor Cambridge street? It would be very helpful to have that data appear on your website. Maybe it will show there is a need; maybe not.	10/27/2014 12:00 PM

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65	There are many things that stick out into the sidewalk and make walking as a pedestrian very narrow at certain points (parking signs, etc.), even more so when there is snow on the ground. Biking is very uncomfortable without a bike lane and so many potholes. Drivers often pass way too close while I am biking. If there were a way to keep parking on both sides and have space for bikers, that would be ideal, as it would be very hard for the neighborhood to lose much more street parking.	10/27/2014 11:08 AM
66	I'm not sure about bus riders or people with disabilities, but it's pretty good right now. I push a stroller down the sidewalk a lot and it is better than most in the neighborhood. The thing I like about it as a driver is that there aren't many stop signs, so you can conveniently get home from Central Square.	10/27/2014 10:55 AM
67	Potholes are main issue. DO NOT remove the parking. Both sides of street must be still available for cars. The neighborhood is getting to dense to remove any parking.	10/27/2014 10:40 AM
68	I live on Salem and find Pearl narrow street with no room for cars to safely pass bicyclists. I frequently cycle and drive on Pearl and it's always a challenge. More often than not, I ride or drive over to Magazine St as it affords me better room to drive/bike safely.	10/27/2014 10:30 AM
69	I'm normally on Pearl St. at ~5:45AM, and rarely encounter traffic...which is good, because there wouldn't be many places for a car to pass my bike safely.	10/27/2014 10:30 AM
70	Pearl Street is your typical Cambridge side street. It's generally fine, though the sidewalks can be impassible - especially on garbage day! I find I sometimes take my stroller in the street instead of own the sidewalks - especially in the blocks between Auburn and Mass Ave. Cars aren't very good about stopping for pedestrians.	10/27/2014 10:06 AM
71	Pearl Street is great for walking every season but winter. In winter the sidewalks are icy and treacherous! Much as I love the brick sidewalk, the areas that are brick are by far the most slippery. Pearl street is too narrow for a car to pass a bike, and there are some bike tire busting potholes. that said, I wouldn't want to lose parking on either side, and I'd love wider sidewalks. I usually bike down magazine street because it is wider, then cut over to Pearl right before my house.	10/27/2014 9:57 AM
72	Drivers are extremely uncomfortable sharing the road with cyclists. My children and I bike on Pearl and have often been honked or yelled at when following traffic laws for cyclists. There is a noticeable difference on street sweeping days when there are only cars parked on one side of the street.	10/27/2014 9:52 AM
73	Pearl St is SO narrow and has terrible sight lines. I feel comfortable walking, but when biking or in a car, I feel like it's just a matter of time before I got smushed into either side of parking.	10/27/2014 9:26 AM
74	The street is very narrow making it difficult for cars to navigate around cyclists.	10/27/2014 9:26 AM
75	It's too narrow for bicycle + car; cars will try to race around you and the earliest opportunity. There are also some massive potholes and manholes that mean you have to dodge them when riding down the street.	10/27/2014 9:23 AM
76	The streets are HORRIBLE for strollers especially during the winter- and so I imagine also for people with disabilities. Also with the small street and bus if one person is double parked or there is any issue the bus is stuck and tons of traffic happens! This is also true at the end of Pearl at Granite St where huge traffic can leave people on a one way street with no way out except to sit in traffic for 30 minutes.	10/27/2014 8:53 AM
77	visibility at intersections can be hard when driving	10/27/2014 6:57 AM
78	Some of the sidewalks are a mess. I can imagine it might be difficult for someone in a wheelchair.	10/27/2014 6:52 AM
79	Visibility is bad entering or crossing - cars parked too close to corners, etc	10/27/2014 6:27 AM
80	cyclists are often seen as slowing down cars	10/26/2014 11:12 PM
81	The street is quite narrow for biking, which is how I commute down the street.	10/26/2014 11:02 PM
82	what exactly is the problem with pearl street?	10/26/2014 10:54 PM
83	Both foot traffic and cars move quite freely along the street	10/26/2014 10:38 PM
84	Pearl St. (and Brookline in the opposite direction) as one-way streets seem vastly safer to me for both biking and driving than Magazine St, which I do not generally use at all.	10/26/2014 10:38 PM
85	I am a post-doctoral researcher, and I bike from mid-Cambridge (Trowbridge St) to Boston University every day for work. I now actively avoid Pearl St even though it would be the most direct route, because it is such a dangerous road for bikes. Please please please add safer bike infrastructure to Pearl Street! It would make a huge difference for a large segment of the Cambridge/Boston commuter population.	10/26/2014 10:29 PM
86	Don't like being on bike with cars behind	10/26/2014 10:15 PM

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87	People in the neighborhood are considerate about the NO parking in bus stops, which enables me to use the bus stops located on Pearl St. Unfortunately Pearl St and Brookline St are heavily used by people coming in and out of Cambridge for work, and they are very inconsiderate about stopping at crosswalks. They will not stop to let me cross 9 out of 10 times. The sidewalks do not slant dramatically, so walking is not too painful for me. Many sidewalks slant to much, and cause pain for me to walk on - I can't believe it is good for anyone to walk those slants daily, so there has to be a balance between drainage and comfort.	10/26/2014 9:06 PM
88	The street surface is a mess because the city allows contractors to dig up the street for sewer or water repairs and then allows them to install cheap asphalt patches that deteriorate very easily and quickly. Makes the street rough for cyclists and cars.	10/26/2014 8:55 PM
89	sidewalk condition, difficult snow removal, potholing, irregular surface for biking.	10/26/2014 8:15 PM
90	The street is very narrow overall and is very narrow for cyclists when there are cars parked on both sides and a bus coming down the street. I suggest moving the bus stops to Magazine st. or making the street wider and the sidewalks narrower.	10/26/2014 8:00 PM
91	Carelessness on the part of cyclists, and inattention on the part of drivers. Driving with cellphones. Pedestrians cannot help noticing them. The lighting of the pavement leaves something to be desired. Put the paving (both in the roadway and on the sidewalks is nowhere as dangerous as it is on Pleasant Street.	10/26/2014 7:29 PM
92	Cars drive too quickly down Pearl St because it is a direct route from Central Square to the River. Also, I live below Chestnut St which means that I have to down to Granite, over to Brookline St. and back up Chestnut Street to get to many places. Pearl St. backs up because of traffic at the Mem Drive Rotary, especially during rush hours and when the Red Sox play. If one of the streets such as Tufts St, Henry St. or Glenwood Avenue were reversed in their direction it would alleviate problems for drivers and for residents.	10/26/2014 7:17 PM
93	the sidewalks are too narrow the travel lane is too narrow for cars to pass cyclists. it makes for awkward/unsafe overtaking	10/26/2014 6:23 PM
94	It is very dark in some portions	10/26/2014 11:18 AM
95	Very narrow sidewalks. Overall street is helped by narrowness and low speeds, but this should be encouraged.	10/26/2014 10:36 AM
96	Sidewalks are often obstructed by overgrown bushes, low hanging trees, etc. sidewalks very uneven now, but presumably this project will fix that. Fine to drive if you obey speed limit. Very tight for trucks and buses.	10/26/2014 10:14 AM
97	Major potholes and general lack of smoothness are dangerous for biking. I often have to ride around these areas into the car zone. Also, rode is very narrow in general for sharing the road with bikers and cars.	10/25/2014 11:40 PM
98	I live on Chestnut St. and use Pearl St. several times a day as a pedestrian and as a cyclist and sometimes as a driver. Because the street is so narrow with a lot of use, it is difficult to bike on it if a car needs to pass. I usually stop my bike, and pullover in order for a car to pass. I think it is difficult for drivers to respond quickly to all the bikes, pedestrians and kids that cross a car's path.	10/25/2014 5:43 PM
99	The street is narrow (difficult to get around bikes) and a bit bumpy on the sidewalk	10/25/2014 5:12 PM
100	I think Pearl is well enjoyed by people on foot, more trees and beautification near the square would be nice	10/25/2014 11:23 AM
101	It's hard to take strollers (and I assume wheelchairs) down the street; it's a bit annoying sometimes as a walker as the sidewalks are narrow with winter very tough for all. As a driver it's totally fine. As a cyclist it's OK - the only issue is the terrible paving, with lots of holes and trenches to avoid.	10/25/2014 10:07 AM
102	People drive incredibly fast on the section from Putnam to Granite and the section approaching Putnam from Central Square	10/25/2014 9:25 AM
103	It's OK for me as is.	10/25/2014 8:51 AM
104	I am most often a bike commuter, but also take the 47 bus at times, and also drive on this road. When cycling down Pearl I feel pressure from cars behind me, because the travel lane is too narrow for them to feel they can comfortably pass me. It sees the only option is for me to hold the lane (and anger them) or for me to completely pull over. The sidewalks may be a bit narrow and uneven for children and people with disabilities, though overall I think the street is comfortable for pedestrians.	10/25/2014 8:29 AM
105	Narrow sections; too crowded at bus stops for pedestrians and bus riders; no room for cars to pass bikes which is very uncomfortable/dangerous for bike rider; need more cross walks for children to cross streets(ideally every corner) cars parked at corners make visibility impossible in some intersections; snow issues complicated on narrow paths and especially at corners	10/25/2014 7:48 AM
106	Cars can't pass me on my bike—or at least it's awkward trying to dodge potholes and get out of their way.	10/25/2014 7:38 AM

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107	The street is too narrow; the sidewalks are too narrow. Cars should only be allowed to park on one side of the street.	10/25/2014 7:18 AM
108	Making Pearl more bike friendly would be very helpful!	10/24/2014 10:58 PM
109	I walk on this street very frequently from Auburn Street in either direction to the end of the street. I have not encountered any problems.	10/24/2014 10:53 PM
110	There are too many cars traveling too quickly down this street. It is very scary to bike down and there are no sharrows for bikes. There is too much parking, which obscures children from drivers, and puts cyclists in the door zone. I would like to see raised traffic tables, removed parking on one side of the street, and a separated bicycle lane installed.	10/24/2014 6:18 PM
111	walking: between Mass Ave. and Cottage both sidewalks frequently crowded with garbage (near the restaurants) garbage cans on garbage night, and there are often addicted or mentally unstable people hanging out near the library. The bus stops are poorly located as they are so close to people's homes, and I don't think there is covered seating anywhere. The sidewalks tend to have bushes and trees intruding onto them, limiting light and width making it seem more unsafe and crowded than it really is.	10/24/2014 5:15 PM
112	The curb cuts are poorly designed and constructed. During the winter, due to the design and poor to inadequate plowing, they are many times impassable. I personally shovel out my corner because I don't like to see people with children and people with disabilities running in the street dodging traffic.	10/24/2014 4:50 PM
113	Pearl St is too narrow for 2-sided parking. Cars and sometimes buses use it as a speedway between mass ave & the river	10/24/2014 2:23 PM
114	Walking is fine. Driving is problematic because there is oftentimes: -- A car going very slowly, presumably because it's lost. -- A corporate mini-bus traveling very slowly -- presumably because the street is too narrow for it to proceed any faster. -- A bus stopping at stops, which blocks traffic from proceeding. (They either aren't able to, or refuse to, pull far enough over to let traffic pass.) -- A bicyclist, through no fault of their own, blocking traffic from passing; the road's too narrow for both. And, generally, the street is so narrow that one must pay a lot of attention. Bicycling is terrible because: -- The roadway is in bad shape, so one must constantly dodge ruts/potholes, etc. -- The road is so narrow that it's difficult to keep far away from the cars to avoid being doored. -- When a car gets behind you, it causes anxiety. And, they often pass you when it's not safe to do so.	10/24/2014 2:19 PM
115	Pedestrians must cope with cars speeding down the street as they zoom from Green to Putnam without a stop sign or traffic light. Cyclists navigate a narrow street with parking on both sides and speeding cars. Drivers who don't drive fast are harrassed by other drivers honking at them; parking is very limited on the street; drivers must be alert to pedestrians crossing the street. Kids are in danger from cars speeding down the street. People with disabilities navigate narrow, often blocked sidewalks; during winter, too many residents do not shovel/salt the sidewalks.	10/24/2014 2:10 PM
116	Pearl Street's pedestrian infrastructure is just too small to accommodate daily needs, particularly with the number of trees and street furniture on the street. Instead of taking space from the sidewalk, I'd prefer if parking spaces were removed to make room for street amenities.	10/24/2014 1:28 PM
117	Pearl from about Cottage all the way to Mass ave has nooo trees. It's the worst street in the port.	10/23/2014 7:13 PM
118	People tend to drive very quickly down Pearl St. which makes it a bit dangerous for pedestrians.	10/23/2014 5:30 PM
119	pavement uneven Trash everywhere!!!	10/23/2014 5:22 PM
120	It would be nice to have a one way street with a bike lane going from Mass Ave to Granite to match Brookline Street which goes the other direction (Granite to Mass Ave).	10/23/2014 2:37 PM
121	Being a one-way street, it can be tough for cyclists to navigate the street while cars are driving. The street can also be difficult for drivers with other cars attempting to pull onto Pearl from other cross streets.	10/23/2014 12:55 PM
122	Increase parking to back-in diagonal spaces by narrowing sidewalks on both sides. Safer for bikes, cars, pedestrians.	10/23/2014 9:45 AM
123	Cars drive much too fast on Pearl street	10/23/2014 8:27 AM
124	sidewalks are very narrow in some places for two people to pass. cars drive VERY fast down the street and I have often seen people driving the wrong way!	10/23/2014 6:49 AM

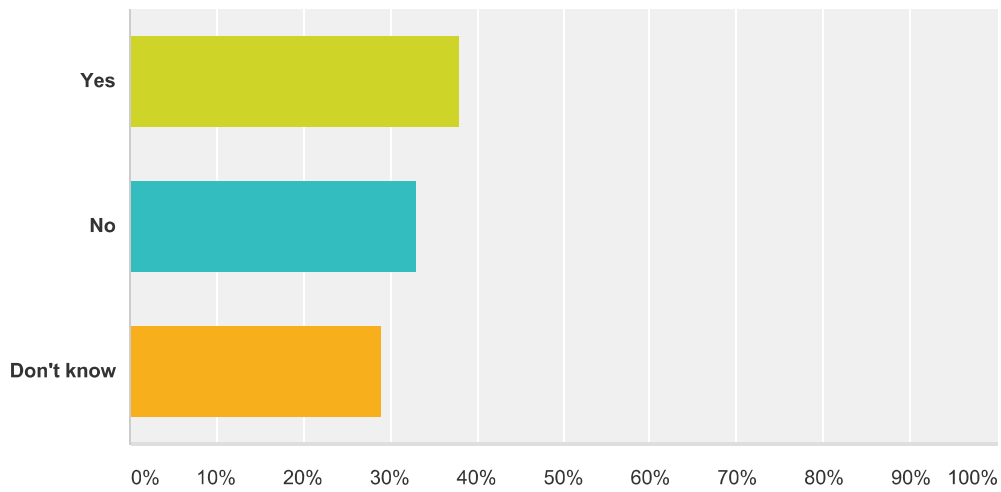
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125	It's a narrow street. Car drivers mostly are polite and don't push past cyclists in the narrow sections where parked cars are on both sides, waiting until the cyclist can veer to the side in sections where there are only parked cars on one side. But the pavement conditions are bad enough that it isn't easy to pay attention to both the road and cars (I assume you'll be fixing that problem). Some of the intersections are tough for walkers to cross and many of the sidewalk sections are too narrow, too broken up, or obstructed.	10/22/2014 9:27 PM
126	Pedestrians: not enough crosswalks, flooding at certain corners, uneven surface on brick sidewalks, speeding cars Cyclists: potholes, cars parked on both sides of street leading to danger of dooring(not enough room for safe riding), speeding cars People w disabilities: same as pedestrians, narrow ramps, narrow sidewalks	10/22/2014 9:19 PM
127	Tight clearance between bikers and cars (cars passing bikers). Can be tight to navigate when there is a lot of snow piled up on the sides of the road and at intersections.	10/22/2014 7:38 PM
128	- I've had no problems while walking (at least 4x daily as part of my commute), though I think it could be difficult for wheelchairs and strollers with the sidewalks (when bumpy due to tree roots, or just not passable with wheels on trash days with cans blocking the route) - The major potholes are a huge problem for cyclists-- a very bumpy ride. - Love the 47 but the 20 minute schedule means it is always packed to the gills in the morning and evenings.	10/22/2014 6:25 PM
129	parking on both sides makes visibility difficult for pedestrians and bikes. Combine this with buses and trash vehicles and it is not safe	10/22/2014 5:59 PM
130	Very poor sidewalk in parts. Road is poor as well, and tough to cycle on. The lack of a proper bike lane puts pressure on cyclists when there is a car behind them. Poor visibility to/from side streets that feed into Pearl makes it difficult to spot cars as a cyclist, and vice versa.	10/22/2014 5:29 PM
131	I don't cycle or drive, nor do I have children or disabilities, so I can't speak from personal experience.	10/22/2014 5:21 PM
132	I think adjustments for handicapped could be better.....	10/22/2014 4:49 PM
133	Do not need bike lanes on the street. They do not pay for the street and as such should not have a lane given to them. The lane would take away parking and there is not enough parking on the street.	10/22/2014 3:27 PM
134	it needs a bike lane- they zoom on to pearl street from the side streets, often not stopping even when there is a stop sign before entering Pearl street.	10/22/2014 3:11 PM
135	Again, the brick sidewalks are really outdated, uncomfortable, dangerous during winter months. Concrete sidewalks are a MUST for this neighborhood!!	10/22/2014 1:42 PM
136	Pearl Street's pavement is a bit bumpy and pock-marked, but no worse than most streets in this region. The sidewalks are fine, though they have their idiosyncratic areas; this is to be expected in a region with the age and history of Cambridge, and gives it character.	10/22/2014 1:16 PM
137	Pearl is narrow and busy. It could benefit from enhancements that would encourage drivers to respect the speed limit, or be forced to respect the speed limit, like raised crossings at all the busiest intersections.	10/22/2014 12:00 PM

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Q4 Is speeding a problem on Pearl St.? If yes, where?

Answered: 318 Skipped: 14



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	38.05% 121
No	33.02% 105
Don't know	28.93% 92
Total	318

#	Locations with speeding:	Date
1	All of it after library intersection.	11/8/2014 5:28 PM
2	Between Green and Allston	11/8/2014 9:59 AM
3	Drivers often speed on roads wider than 10'	11/7/2014 10:18 PM
4	midway between mass ave and the morse school	11/7/2014 7:38 PM
5	Just after Green St. Also, near Putnam people often race for the light.	11/6/2014 9:30 PM
6	can't remember specific street locations	11/6/2014 5:51 PM
7	- Pearl and Green - between Putnam and Granite	11/6/2014 2:57 PM
8	I've seen several crashes at pearl & chestnut	11/6/2014 10:42 AM
9	By the time they get to around Lopez and Cottage St intersections, motorists traveling down Pearl have figured out that there is nothing to slow them down coming until the Putnam St stop light , so they accelerate.	11/6/2014 10:14 AM
10	between franklin and putnam	11/5/2014 10:41 PM
11	Green to Putnam	11/5/2014 7:28 PM
12	Near Allston St	11/5/2014 7:04 PM
13	Seems to self calm as there are many intersections.	11/5/2014 9:59 AM
14	Anywhere past Green Street, all the way to Putnam is what my experience is. Drivers will speed from Mass Ave to Putnam. Drivers will also speed down by Putnam where it intersects with Pearl Street.	11/4/2014 6:16 PM

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15	between green and cottage, between valentine and allston	11/3/2014 3:51 PM
16	Near Putnam Ave light	11/1/2014 4:16 PM
17	Putnam to Granite.	11/1/2014 12:26 PM
18	Everywhere! Pearl is used as a relief-valve for exiting the Central Sq. area . . . cars speed down it until they run into traffic backed-up from BU Bridge rotary traffic . . . and then they speed out any street available, even against the one-way streets like mine, Glenwood Ave. . . . which they do as fast as possible, thinking the less time they do-wrong, the better their chances of not getting caught!	10/31/2014 2:55 PM
19	Mass Ave to Putnam	10/31/2014 12:31 PM
20	at times people drive too fast	10/31/2014 12:24 PM
21	I HAVE NOTICED THAT PEOPLE TEND TO SPEED UP AFTER THEY GET TO PEARL ST. AND OUT OF THE TRAFFIC FROM MASS. AVE. THEY ALSO TAKE THE CORNER OF PEARL AND COTTAGE (WHERE I LIVE) AT A HIGH SPEED.	10/30/2014 10:29 PM
22	Between Putnam and Granite primarily. Some commuters rushing to work go too fast.	10/30/2014 3:35 PM
23	Down the length of it, especially from Auburn down to Putnam.	10/30/2014 1:34 PM
24	It seems to be especially after cars turn onto Pearl from Mass Ave, for the next few blocks. But it could really be for the entire length.	10/30/2014 7:41 AM
25	Speeding is a problem all over Cambridge. There is too much development. Pearl Street is a small neighborhood street and should remain that, rather than being "improved" to encourage more auto traffic.	10/29/2014 1:04 PM
26	i don't know of any particular areas that have speeding problems	10/28/2014 9:35 PM
27	after stop sign by library and up to Putnam (light)	10/28/2014 8:12 PM
28	Around pearl and Lawrence.	10/28/2014 5:45 PM
29	People speed down the entirety of pearl street. They often scream through the light on Pearl and Putnam. There is a great deal of pre-emptive honking for people who speed and do not want to slow down at this intersection if the light is about to turn green.	10/28/2014 3:55 PM
30	Pearl and Putnam and Pearl and Allston are very bad. Drivers speed to make the light at the end of the street.	10/28/2014 3:40 PM
31	people drive down Pearl St way too fast between MA Ave all the way to Putnam	10/28/2014 3:29 PM
32	Length of the street, particularly mass ave to Erie	10/28/2014 3:24 PM
33	Sometimes. There is a lot of traffic	10/28/2014 3:00 PM
34	all along the street Mass ave to granite st	10/28/2014 1:33 PM
35	From Green St to Putnam, between the stop sign and the traffic light.	10/28/2014 11:56 AM
36	The several blocks before Putnam (towards Central Square).	10/28/2014 9:34 AM
37	corner of pearl and corporal mc terna / speradakis where there is a crosswalk but cars never stop	10/28/2014 9:32 AM
38	Near Dana park area	10/28/2014 9:17 AM
39	I don't know if motorists are speeding per se, but they are often moving too quickly to stop for pedestrians, mostly between Central Square and Putnam Ave. South of Putnam they seem to drive a little more slowly.	10/28/2014 9:09 AM
40	After initial stop sign	10/28/2014 7:07 AM
41	Chestnut and Pearl	10/27/2014 9:12 PM
42	Between franklin and putnam	10/27/2014 9:05 PM
43	Occasional "yahoos" speed down the street.	10/27/2014 8:08 PM
44	Between Putnam and Granite	10/27/2014 7:38 PM
45	All along Pearl St. Even if not officially speeding (over 30 MPH), 30 MPH is too fast for this narrow street in a densely populated neighborhood where pedestrians and children playing may emerge too quickly at corners for a motorist to stop. The maximum speed should be more like 15 MPH.	10/27/2014 5:24 PM

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46	Have not noticed speeding, and the road is so narrow with parking on both sides that it is hard to imagine that much speeding every occurs there.	10/27/2014 4:48 PM
47	We have loud motorcycles going by in the middle of the night, loud and fast, on Pearl near Lawrence/Corporal McTernan, shooting down the street.	10/27/2014 4:35 PM
48	I see this all the time, especially as I wait at cross streets to turn out onto Pearl.	10/27/2014 4:23 PM
49	Speeding is a problem all over the greater Boston area because speed limits are not enforced by law enforcement AT ALL.	10/27/2014 4:16 PM
50	from Franklin to Allston	10/27/2014 3:43 PM
51	Hamilton St - There was another accident this morning on the corner of Pearl & Hamilton. I'm tired of picking up smashed plastic from cars on this corner.	10/27/2014 3:19 PM
52	all along, especially south of Putnam, like at the intersection with Chestnut.	10/27/2014 3:01 PM
53	all the way	10/27/2014 2:45 PM
54	Closer to Central Square. Hard to speed the closer one gets to Granite Street.	10/27/2014 1:05 PM
55	Speeding is of course an occasional problem, but I have not noticed it to be a routine problem. I assume the city has amassed a data about this already. I would be grateful to know if the instances of speeding on Pearl St are greater than average for the average minor, one-way street in Cambridge. I'd speculate that the accident data may show less than average incidents for Pearl Street, compared to comperable streets. Of course I could be mistaken. Please provide the reseearch. Speeding can be a problem on Magazine & Brookline Streets: Both handle a lot of through-traffic, but I'd guess that Pearl is mostly used by people getting to & from locations within Cambridgeport.	10/27/2014 12:22 PM
56	generally, long stretches, especially people speeding to make the light at Putnam or speeding in the middle of the section between Mass Ave and Putnam.	10/27/2014 11:10 AM
57	occasionally drivers speed, but I don't find it to be the norm	10/27/2014 11:09 AM
58	From William to Erie area... Many people turn on Erie	10/27/2014 10:56 AM
59	Possibly. Between Perry St. and Allston St.	10/27/2014 10:42 AM
60	people pick up speed once they get through the stop sign on Green Street.	10/27/2014 10:12 AM
61	Haven't really noticed a speeding problem.	10/27/2014 9:58 AM
62	Pearl and Erie/Hamilton	10/27/2014 9:53 AM
63	Anywhere between the Central Sq library and Granite st.	10/27/2014 9:31 AM
64	In the PM.	10/27/2014 9:26 AM
65	Right after the Green St / Pearl St intersection cars just take off.	10/27/2014 9:24 AM
66	Pearl and McTernan	10/27/2014 8:58 AM
67	Between Putnum and Granite	10/27/2014 8:54 AM
68	Between Putnam and granite	10/27/2014 7:34 AM
69	No stop signs or lights from Mass Ave all the way to Putnam, so lots of room to speed as go farther toward Putnam	10/27/2014 6:30 AM
70	Wherever cars are trying to pass cyclists when there is an opening (usually only on one side at a time) in the parked cars	10/27/2014 12:41 AM
71	there is LOTS of ugly pushing at the intersection nearest mass ave. on pearl itself things seem calm.	10/26/2014 10:57 PM
72	Allston St., Lawrence St. , Erie St.	10/26/2014 9:47 PM
73	Cars occasionally go pretty fast between William and Allston. Not pervasively though.	10/26/2014 9:24 PM
74	From after the stop sign at the library to Putnam Ave.	10/26/2014 9:20 PM
75	All up and down.	10/26/2014 9:09 PM

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76	Coming up to the light at Putnam, people speed past Allston	10/26/2014 8:00 PM
77	Whole street and most of Cport actually	10/26/2014 7:25 PM
78	The whole length. Speed bumps at cross streets for pedestrians, particularly at Putnam and or Chestnut St would be helpful.	10/26/2014 7:18 PM
79	Henry street	10/26/2014 7:12 PM
80	Between Green Street and Putnam	10/26/2014 1:33 PM
81	Green to Putnam	10/26/2014 10:38 AM
82	People, and especially buses, speed up approaching light at Putnam	10/26/2014 10:17 AM
83	lower half.	10/25/2014 5:45 PM
84	sometimes, depends on the driver	10/25/2014 4:10 PM
85	In general yes. Occasionally someone will drive to fast.	10/25/2014 12:13 PM
86	The good news is with parking on both sides and numerous cross streets, people do not drive fast on pearl - which is great	10/25/2014 11:27 AM
87	With all traffic lights, narrow street and frequent bikes, I don't see that much speeding, but it certainly could be a bit slower. The bus itself sometimes roars down!	10/25/2014 10:14 AM
88	Putnam to Granite. Drivers often build up ridiculous speeds because the road is perfectly straight with no impediments.	10/25/2014 9:28 AM
89	Perhaps a bit -- especially the two or three blocks closest to Mass Ave?	10/25/2014 8:33 AM
90	I live on cottage and see cars speed up on my stretch	10/25/2014 7:56 AM
91	At various places.	10/25/2014 7:41 AM
92	Well, it feels like speeding when a car passes you fast and close. Not sure.	10/25/2014 7:38 AM
93	The entire length of the street.	10/25/2014 7:20 AM
94	at the intersection with green street; people can rush through that one	10/24/2014 6:20 PM
95	Entire street	10/24/2014 6:18 PM
96	I live 2 houses away from Pearly and randomly see people going too quickly. Near Lawrence and Cp'l McTernan people should def. slow down as so many families, kids, dogs etc. are in that area. Also the stop sign just before the library on Pearl is hard to see.	10/24/2014 5:20 PM
97	Sometimes.. at the corner of Pearl and Putnam	10/24/2014 4:54 PM
98	I use Pearl all the time -- I live on Pearl -- and, with few exceptions, I rarely see anyone speeding.	10/24/2014 2:31 PM
99	Mass Ave to Putnam	10/24/2014 2:24 PM
100	From Green to Putnam, all the way down the street.	10/24/2014 2:12 PM
101	Near The intersection with Lopez and also near Allston	10/23/2014 5:59 PM
102	Primarily in the first three blocks off mass ave	10/23/2014 5:32 PM
103	between Putnam and Granite. Constant!!! All hours of the night, and there are a ton of kids and pets in the neighborhood.	10/23/2014 9:49 AM
104	Entirety	10/23/2014 8:52 AM
105	below Erie St. going towards the river	10/23/2014 6:52 AM
106	Between Franklin and Putnam	10/22/2014 9:23 PM
107	Near granite street after putnam st	10/22/2014 8:17 PM
108	William St	10/22/2014 7:53 PM
109	I see cars going hell-for-leather on occasion, but not often, and I'm not able to pinpoint as a pedestrian	10/22/2014 6:32 PM

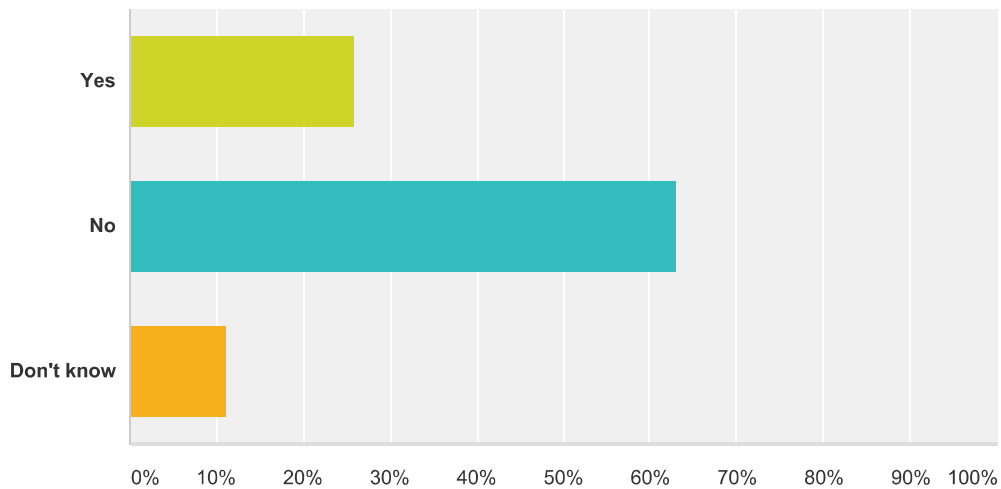
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110	people drive too fast on most streets and do not stop for pedestrians.	10/22/2014 6:01 PM
111	Throughout	10/22/2014 5:38 PM
112	Pearl and Putnam Ave, Pearl and chestnut str	10/22/2014 5:05 PM
113	There should be a 3-way stop sign on my corner (Chestnut and Pearl). There are 2 on Chestnut now, but none on Pearl, and people can really barrel down there. I've been here since 1977 - many accidents here.	10/22/2014 4:52 PM
114	Erie Street to Pearl Street and crossing Pearl to Brookline Street.	10/22/2014 4:48 PM
115	There use to be far more cars a few years back that would speed down Pearl St between Putnam and Granite to get through the light before it changed to red. However since the traffic light at the end of Pearl on Granite has been removed cars travel at a much more suitable & reasonable speed.	10/22/2014 3:48 PM
116	the whole st	10/22/2014 3:46 PM
117	from Green street to stop lite at Putnam. please add more lites! pls add bike lanes.	10/22/2014 3:13 PM
118	Traffic moves briskly, but in accordance with the law, principles of safety, and good sense. No need to slow things further than the narrowness and congestion already do.	10/22/2014 1:21 PM
119	Cars and the 47 bus (!) often speed through Putnam Avenue to beat the red light. The 47 bus has a stop between Allston and Putnam, and if noone is getting off or on, the bus roars through its right turn at that location.	10/22/2014 12:04 PM

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Q5 Is crossing the street as a pedestrian difficult on Pearl St.? If yes, where?

Answered: 314 Skipped: 18



Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Yes	25.80%	81
No	63.06%	198
Don't know	11.15%	35
Total		314

#	Locations where it is difficult to cross:	Date
1	At Green St	11/9/2014 11:55 AM
2	Pearl and Putnam	11/9/2014 11:12 AM
3	McTerrian, Perry, Cottage, Tufts, Glenwood: Insufficient crosswalks Franklin: Cars don't stop or go too fast	11/8/2014 9:59 AM
4	Mostly everywhere, because the traffic cannot see pedestrians entering crossings in most areas, and very few are signalized.	11/7/2014 11:02 AM
5	Pearl and Green St. Very busy area. Lacks coordination for mixed use.	11/7/2014 10:53 AM
6	Can be slightly difficult at Franklin St by library (minor, but with 4 way traffic trying to negotiate as well during busy times there's a bit of confusion about who is going to go). Similar at Mass Ave. Overall not bad though	11/6/2014 6:22 PM
7	Chestnut and Pearl	11/6/2014 2:57 PM
8	William Street & Pearl	11/6/2014 10:14 AM
9	A few places may be missing curb cuts, though.	11/5/2014 7:04 PM
10	At green st. Drivers don't always come to complete stop BEFORE the crosswalk.	11/5/2014 1:02 PM
11	Closer to Mass Ave - where Green St and Pearl intersect. By Putnam and Pearl.	11/4/2014 6:16 PM
12	In general, the street is fast for the scale of the street.	11/3/2014 6:25 PM
13	traffic is pretty light	11/3/2014 3:51 PM
14	Traffic always gets busier in the PM and then it's harder to cross.	10/30/2014 10:29 PM

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15	This is definitely worst at the corner of Mass Ave, and the first intersection after that, Green St. Commuting car drivers dealing with tangled Central Square traffic are not in the mood to yield to pedestrians. MBTA bus drivers are especially bad.	10/30/2014 7:41 AM
16	After the grocery store and before Erie st	10/28/2014 11:46 PM
17	Lopez Street, which is important, because it's the street to access the Lopez playground	10/28/2014 11:26 PM
18	i don't really find it difficult to cross	10/28/2014 9:35 PM
19	Allston Street	10/28/2014 8:12 PM
20	Anywhere between green and Putnam when there are lots of parked cars.	10/28/2014 5:45 PM
21	At Green Street	10/28/2014 4:23 PM
22	Allston and Pearl; Hamilton and Pearl. Crossing is difficult because most drivers know there are few stops on Pearl (between Mass Ave and Putnam) and therefore go very fast.	10/28/2014 3:55 PM
23	Pearl and Allston because cars speed to make the light. I have seen several accidents between drivers here because the sight line from Allston onto Pearl is very limited with cars parked on Pearl. The	10/28/2014 3:40 PM
24	At Pearl and Putnam people often turn right onto Putnam despite the sign that says no turn on red, as people are in the crosswalk	10/28/2014 3:29 PM
25	Pearl and Putnam	10/28/2014 1:33 PM
26	In front of the library and Dana park. Cars do not stop for pedestrians.	10/28/2014 11:56 AM
27	corner of pearl and corporal mc ternan / speradakis where there is a crosswalk but cars never stop	10/28/2014 9:32 AM
28	Most intersections between Central Square and Putnam Avenue. Once motorists reach the light at Putnam they seem to calm down.	10/28/2014 9:09 AM
29	Around Dana Park the crossings have been worn off. And on the Lawrence St crossing there isn't a ramp for strollers / bicycles to get back on the curb.	10/28/2014 8:42 AM
30	Pearl and Green Street	10/27/2014 9:23 PM
31	All intersections are blind and cars are always speeding. Poorly lit as well	10/27/2014 7:32 PM
32	Allston and Pearl -	10/27/2014 6:20 PM
33	Again, since there is parking on both sides, the actual distance that must be crossed is pretty small.	10/27/2014 4:48 PM
34	little tricky in places where there's no light, hard to see traffic/bikes coming, like Erie, Allston, Lawrence, sidewalk paint fading. Like what was done near Speridakis.	10/27/2014 4:35 PM
35	At Decatur St.	10/27/2014 4:16 PM
36	Green Street	10/27/2014 3:41 PM
37	I have never had difficulties with crossing. When I'm driving along Pearl Street I think I am more mindful of pedestrians - possibly because of the narrowness of the street.	10/27/2014 12:22 PM
38	Should be more crosswalks, although I don't think that means needing to add more stoplights.	10/27/2014 11:10 AM
39	on Massachusetts Ave	10/27/2014 10:46 AM
40	Only place possibly difficult is on Pearl/Mass Ave., Pearl and Franklin, and Pearl and Chestnut (NEEDS CROSS WALK)	10/27/2014 10:42 AM
41	around the library. cars pull out from side streets into the street.	10/27/2014 10:40 AM
42	Auburn Street is tough. It's also brutal pulling out of Auburn onto Pearl in a car because people often park illegally in the no parking zone in front of the yellow house on the corner, so you can't see cars coming, and they can come rather quickly. My partner actually got into an accident there because of the blind spot created by someday parked there.	10/27/2014 10:12 AM
43	The cross streets near Central Sq. Traffic is often backed up there and drivers are aggressive during rush hour.	10/27/2014 9:31 AM
44	Dana Park	10/27/2014 9:26 AM

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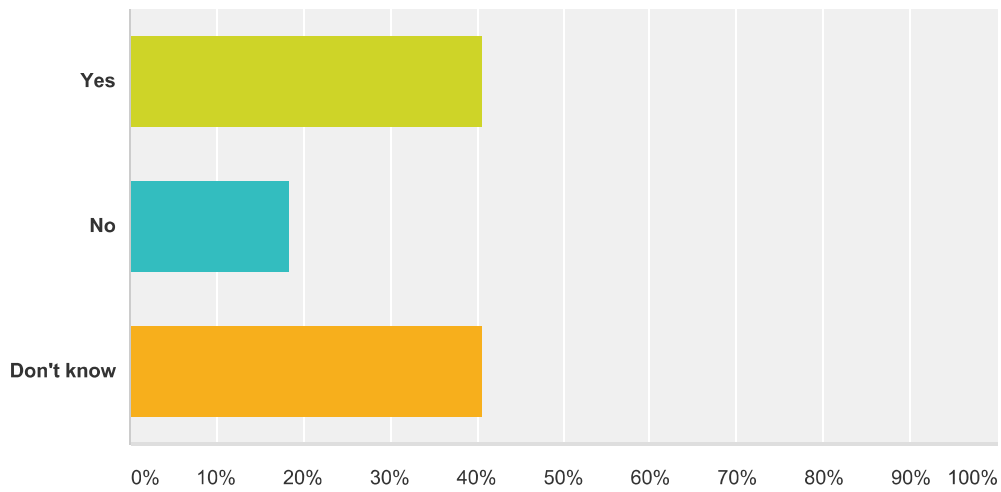
45	Just about every block	10/27/2014 8:58 AM
46	There aren't enough cross walks! I fell like I'm taking the kids life in my hands every time I want to cross	10/27/2014 8:54 AM
47	We live on Allston - drivers don't stop readily, most have eye on the light a block down	10/27/2014 6:30 AM
48	There are very few cross walks along its length	10/27/2014 12:41 AM
49	Just about any cross street without a crosswalk.	10/26/2014 11:14 PM
50	Green St., Franklin St, Allston St.,	10/26/2014 9:47 PM
51	All along Pearl St., pedestrians cross between cars, making it just plain dangerous, not difficult. It's just scary to drive on Pearl St.	10/26/2014 9:43 PM
52	Sightlines are pretty decent when crossing, actually.	10/26/2014 9:24 PM
53	Most of the street can be difficult to cross. The crosswalks are not where people cross, and are in bad shape. Even the well-marked ones are disrespected by drivers. I cross at Lawrence St multiple times a day, and the cars never stop. Trying to cross near the Pearl Street Market is also difficult, and there isn't a crosswalk. The crossing at Green St, where there is a major bus stop is also difficult - drivers are frustrated by having to stop, and are looking at car traffic, and want you out of the way, if they notice you at all. Traffic coming across from Magazine to Pearl is more considerate.	10/26/2014 9:20 PM
54	At most cross walks bc of the speeding. We use the Alston St one and it is a bit scary bc of the speed.	10/26/2014 7:25 PM
55	Putnam St.	10/26/2014 7:18 PM
56	Cross streets without crosswalks. Less difficult and more there-should-be-crosswalks.	10/26/2014 10:38 AM
57	certainly at Auburn and Pearl, and pretty much since there are no painted crosswalks or reminders, all the way along	10/25/2014 6:04 PM
58	Lawrence St Allston St Erie St	10/25/2014 4:15 PM
59	Children and all pedestrians need cross walks at every intersection Otherwise cars think they have right of way	10/25/2014 7:56 AM
60	William and Pearl. It is very difficult to see if there are oncoming cars.	10/25/2014 7:20 AM
61	Where it intersects Mass Ave, because drivers can feel pressured by traffic to make the turn into Pearl St.	10/24/2014 6:59 PM
62	at green street.	10/24/2014 6:20 PM
63	It seems important to cross at the cross streets - also near Erie and Pearl as that is an area frequented by elderly and people going to vote.	10/24/2014 5:20 PM
64	Sometimes, because drivers look in the direction of oncoming traffic, but not for pedestrians walking up Pearl towards Mass Ave.	10/24/2014 4:54 PM
65	Most intersections	10/24/2014 2:37 PM
66	From Green to Putnam.	10/24/2014 2:12 PM
67	Green and Pearl and Franklin and Pearl	10/23/2014 5:32 PM
68	Chestnut Street	10/23/2014 12:58 PM
69	below Putnam is ridiculous	10/23/2014 9:49 AM
70	Everywhere there isn't a crosswalk	10/22/2014 9:23 PM
71	Pearl and Green due to turning vehicles	10/22/2014 7:54 PM
72	Auburn, no crosswalk	10/22/2014 7:53 PM
73	- The Mass Ave crossing is very, very difficult. - On both the north and south sides of the Pearl St side of the Library, drivers are gunning and not always looking for pedestrians (this is particularly bad at the Franklin St crossing, when drivers are looking left up Pearl and don't check to the right. I have known at least one instance of a pedestrian being hit here).	10/22/2014 6:32 PM
74	Anywhere due to speeding	10/22/2014 5:38 PM
75	Green Street intersection	10/22/2014 4:48 PM

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76	It's is on all Cambridge st those stop for pedestrian signs don't work	10/22/2014 4:30 PM
77	Corner of Mass Avenue and the corner of Franklin Street.	10/22/2014 1:45 PM
78	Traffic yields to pedestrians where appropriate. No problems in this area.	10/22/2014 1:21 PM
79	Hamilton, Allston	10/22/2014 12:04 PM
80	there are very few crosswalks	10/22/2014 11:07 AM

Q6 Are there intersections with blind spots or poor sight distances? If yes, where?

Answered: 299 Skipped: 33



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	40.80% 122
No	18.39% 55
Don't know	40.80% 122
Total	299

#	Locations with blind spots:	Date
1	Pearl and Henry	11/9/2014 12:43 PM
2	I forget but two further south intersections. I can't see cross traffic until I get there.	11/8/2014 5:28 PM
3	McTerrian, Perry, Cottage, Tufts, Glenwood: these need bulb outs	11/8/2014 9:59 AM
4	intersection of Chestnut and pearl	11/7/2014 12:37 PM
5	Almost all of them.	11/7/2014 11:02 AM
6	At Chestnut St., especially when driving or biking on Chestnut from Brookline St. towards Magazine St.	11/7/2014 10:40 AM
7	The biggest issue is when large vehicles park right up on the corner of an intersection. It's hard for both drivers and cyclists to see other traffic. This probably is more an enforcement issue.	11/7/2014 8:09 AM
8	Depends what type of vehicles are parked where...to block views...	11/6/2014 5:13 PM
9	Chestnut and Pearl (at least!)	11/6/2014 2:57 PM
10	Coming out from the side streets is always a bit difficult. One has to be careful because some drivers are going a bit fast. But serious speeding is not a problem.	11/6/2014 2:27 PM
11	Pearl & chestnut	11/6/2014 10:42 AM
12	William Street & Pearl	11/6/2014 10:14 AM
13	Driving down Pearl Street, it is hard to see cars entering from some of the side streets due to the position of parked cars. One example is Hamilton St	11/6/2014 7:27 AM

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14	Pulling onto Pearl St from some side streets can be difficult if there are cars parked close to the intersection. Also buses sometimes are speeding it seems.	11/5/2014 8:05 PM
15	Hamilton and Pearl - cars passing Pearl at Hamilton often do not stop and I have witnessed a collision with a cyclist, and near collisions with other cars.	11/5/2014 12:48 PM
16	Anywhere intersection where the street doesn't continue on the other side of Pearl.	11/4/2014 6:16 PM
17	on chestnut st, seeing cars coming down pearl is tough when cars (and especially trucks) are parked on Pearl near the intersection.	11/4/2014 5:33 PM
18	In general, there are a lot of blind spots in the neighborhood for vehicles cutting across or turning onto Magazine and Pearl Streets from perpendicular streets.	11/3/2014 6:25 PM
19	hamilton, lawrence	11/3/2014 3:51 PM
20	Any corner where cars park at the corner makes turning a challenge.	11/2/2014 2:05 PM
21	Intersections with Chestnut, Henry and Glenwood.	11/1/2014 12:26 PM
22	I can't think of any though I frequently walk and drive on Pearl St.	10/31/2014 7:54 PM
23	Hamilton . . . many street intersections can use a trim.	10/31/2014 2:55 PM
24	wherever cars are parked too close to cross streets	10/31/2014 12:24 PM
25	Any intersection that has an SUV or truck parked in the corner spot.	10/31/2014 11:19 AM
26	As mentioned, all the side streets between Putnam and Granite.	10/30/2014 3:35 PM
27	Due to parked cars it is hard to see clearly when it is safe to pull out into the street.	10/30/2014 1:34 PM
28	YES, this is a problem we've been bothered by for years, and it's at any corner where a van, SUV or small truck has parked on Pearl St. (or Brookline) flush with the corner of a side street. Legal, but dangerous. If you are trying to turn out onto Pearl with your car or bike, you have to pull halfway out into the street before you can even see whether or not the coast is clear. It's always a gamble. A study should be done to see which side streets have the worst visibility problems of this sort, and probably a few corner parking spots should be removed. E.g. corner of Valentine and Pearl.	10/30/2014 7:41 AM
29	Corner of Pearl and Laurel, more for sure.	10/29/2014 1:04 PM
30	Hamilton Street	10/28/2014 9:03 PM
31	all are difficult	10/28/2014 8:12 PM
32	Erie	10/28/2014 5:45 PM
33	Putnam and Pearl has poor visibility due to some houses being very close to the corner, but there is a light at this corner, so it is not much concern.	10/28/2014 5:35 PM
34	Turning on to Pearl from Hamilton St. It is hard to see cars coming from the right (towards MassAve).	10/28/2014 3:55 PM
35	Allston and Pearl	10/28/2014 3:40 PM
36	For anyone turning onto Pearl or crossing it on the cross streets, with cars on both sides it can be very hard to see cars coming	10/28/2014 3:29 PM
37	We cross at Pearl and Allston, and large SUVs are often parked so that it is hard to see north in order to cross. We walk out a bit past the cars and look.	10/28/2014 2:17 PM
38	Turning right onto Pearl from the sidestreets up near Central (Auburn I think).	10/28/2014 10:54 AM
39	If a driver isn't speeding, blind spots aren't a problem.	10/28/2014 9:52 AM
40	Pearl and McTernan	10/28/2014 9:43 AM
41	Even with the blinking red/yellow lights at intersection with Allston St, there are cars that zoom across Pearl from Allston. One ran into my car a few years ago.	10/28/2014 9:34 AM
42	many of the corners are tough btw putnam and lawrence	10/28/2014 9:32 AM
43	Pretty much every corner from Green Street down to the river is blind because cars are parked so densely.	10/28/2014 9:13 AM

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44	Pearl and Williams.	10/28/2014 7:07 AM
45	Almost all of them where there's parking allowed close to the intersection.	10/27/2014 9:01 PM
46	Chestnut st	10/27/2014 7:38 PM
47	Almost all the side streets are bling	10/27/2014 7:32 PM
48	Hamilton and Pearl	10/27/2014 6:55 PM
49	Whenever a vehicle is parked too close to a cross street on the Central SQ side, it can be hard to see a car coming. Especially when it's going a bit fast it can be hard to see it coming.	10/27/2014 6:53 PM
50	allston at pearl if a an SUV, truck or Van is parked close to the intersection on Pearl	10/27/2014 6:20 PM
51	William	10/27/2014 4:23 PM
52	Hard to see around the parked cars at most of the cross streets.	10/27/2014 4:16 PM
53	Green Street	10/27/2014 3:41 PM
54	not blind spots, but the cars coming from Franklin street and crossing over Pearl street only look in one direction, knowing that Pearl is a one way street. therefore they barely stop and don't pay attention to pedestrians on the sidewalk walking towards central square.	10/27/2014 2:51 PM
55	Hamilton and Pearl	10/27/2014 2:39 PM
56	The streets from which I entrance Pearl Street generally have good visibility. The poor very visibility is seeing pedestrians on corners where the home owners have put up high fences; for example, on the SW (?) corner of Decatur and Pearl.	10/27/2014 1:05 PM
57	For a lot of the crossings with side streets, people park so close to the side street, that cars edge out from the side streets to try to see if traffic is coming, and then you're always worried about whether they see you coming down Pearl and whether they're going to stop.	10/27/2014 11:10 AM
58	around the library. cars pull out from side streets into the street.	10/27/2014 10:40 AM
59	Hard to spot traffic coming down Granite St. from intersection.	10/27/2014 10:31 AM
60	ha, see above	10/27/2014 10:12 AM
61	Intersection of Hamilton & Erie	10/27/2014 9:53 AM
62	Turning off Lawrence is particularly bad.	10/27/2014 9:26 AM
63	many locations	10/27/2014 8:58 AM
64	hard to see when entering Pearl St; hard to see peds at intersections	10/27/2014 6:58 AM
65	I'm most familiar with how hard it is to cross on Hamilton and Allston. From Allston, when cars are parked right at the corner it is almost impossible to see to cross (I drive a car, not an SUV, or taller vehicle)	10/27/2014 6:30 AM
66	At Henry St (probably others as well)	10/27/2014 12:41 AM
67	McTernan intersection - house built 4 feet from street totally blocks visibility at corner when turning from McTernan onto Pearl. Situation worsened by fence and utility poles and mailbox. Maybe put in stop sign for Pearl traffic?? (Blinking lights would just create confusion here).	10/26/2014 11:38 PM
68	car trs off Pearl o to any side street that goes to the right (north)	10/26/2014 11:14 PM
69	Valentine St.	10/26/2014 9:47 PM
70	All intersections.	10/26/2014 9:43 PM
71	Cars turning left on to Pearl St., at nearly every intersection, often have poor ability to see oncoming traffic.	10/26/2014 9:36 PM
72	Many of the side streets.	10/26/2014 9:30 PM
73	Pearl and Hamilton has a terrible blind spot for cars on Hamilton crossing Pearl. I've seen many near-misses there. Pearl and Allston is almost as bad in the same way.	10/26/2014 9:24 PM

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74	Since I do not drive any more, I do not notice those things. Although the corner of my street - Valentine - with the dual fences on both corners makes it difficult for taxis to see the street, and it is not clearly marked. There are also trees, and it is very dark there. I like it, but I have to make sure that I am paying attention, because anyone driving me misses it easily. I suppose that could make it difficult for others trying to enter Pearl from Valentine as well.	10/26/2014 9:20 PM
75	approaching pearl from side streets such as Hamilton, or Green.	10/26/2014 9:09 PM
76	Allston and Pearl in particular. I live on the corner and I cannot begin to tell you how many accidents there have been here in the last three decades.	10/26/2014 8:00 PM
77	left turn from decatur or valentine onto pearl.	10/26/2014 7:46 PM
78	Chestnut and Pearl are particularly dangerous as the visibility is very poor for traffic crossing Pearl St on Chestnut.	10/26/2014 7:18 PM
79	Difficult to turn onto Pearl from Speridakis and from Valentine because the parked cars obstruct the view of oncoming traffic down Pearl	10/26/2014 1:33 PM
80	Turning left onto Pearl from Hamilton can be tough. Turning right onto Pearl from Franklin can also be hard.	10/26/2014 10:17 AM
81	chestnut st. and pearl st. As city records show, there are a lot of accidents on that corner.	10/25/2014 5:45 PM
82	Almost all intersections where cars are parallel parked right up to the intersection. To see oncoming traffic you basically need to pull out into the roadway.	10/25/2014 5:13 PM
83	Auburn depending on vans parked for Farr Academy	10/25/2014 4:15 PM
84	Perry St.	10/25/2014 4:10 PM
85	Auburn Street (across from the laundromat) when vans/UPS truck parks there. Vans for the school often park there, despite a sign not to park there. The UPS driver regularly parks there.	10/25/2014 3:56 PM
86	Like many, many residential intersections, when turning on to Pearl from a cross street, it can be tough to see in both directions. I find I often have to pull up fair amount to get a good view. Is Pearl any worse than other streets - no, I wouldn't say so.	10/25/2014 12:13 PM
87	longer vehicles buses trucks have trouble making the 90 degree turns - which is not a bad thing - trucks should not take Pearl and buses use if for a straight run until Putnam - so the intersections work for the use of the street. I am glad big trucks don't come down Pearl	10/25/2014 11:27 AM
88	HAMILTON AND PEARL	10/25/2014 9:16 AM
89	I feel like I see a lot of close calls at corner of Green and Pearl... I think a lot of people roll through this stop sign, and without a full stop there is a blind spot given how tight the building is to street.	10/25/2014 8:33 AM
90	Intersections with parking near corner when entering street William onto Pearl (Franklin onto pearl okay because of library)	10/25/2014 7:56 AM
91	At several cross streets.	10/25/2014 7:41 AM
92	William and Pearl, at least. That is the corner where we drive or walk across most frequently.	10/25/2014 7:20 AM
93	Turning off of Tufts St. Parked cars mean a very short line of sight.	10/24/2014 10:58 PM
94	williams and pearl. I made a right from williams to pearl today, and a car came up fast behind me (he was speeding) and I had to accelerate to avoid an accident.	10/24/2014 6:20 PM
95	Everywhere, small children behind cars.	10/24/2014 6:18 PM
96	if tall cars or trucks are parked near cross streets it can be hard to see traffic or bikers coming without pulling out too far into Pearl...	10/24/2014 5:20 PM
97	Chestnut Street: -- It's hard for the cars crossing Pearl to see cars approaching on Pearl. -- Turning off of Pearl, it's hard to see cars approaching till you've made the turn, and Chestnut has basically one lane which supports travel in both directions, so one has to be very cautious when making the turn to not hit a car which is approaching the intersection (because it's coming straight at you).	10/24/2014 2:31 PM
98	Near the library. Near Watson St.	10/24/2014 2:24 PM
99	William Street at Pearl Street	10/23/2014 8:42 PM

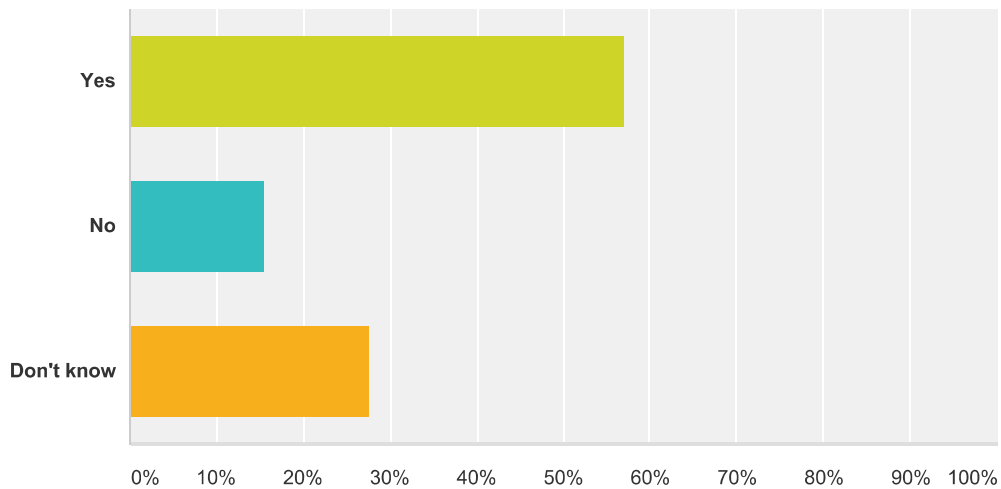
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100	Turning onto Pearl from Williams	10/23/2014 5:59 PM
101	But when bicycles don't mind the stops signs entering onto Pearl Street, it can be stressful for drivers	10/23/2014 4:49 PM
102	Erie Street, Chestnut St	10/23/2014 12:58 PM
103	street is narrow and cars are often parked everywhere (double parked a lot of the time), so its difficult to see if someone is turning onto the street	10/23/2014 11:08 AM
104	at Chestnut, at Allston	10/23/2014 9:49 AM
105	Most intersections	10/23/2014 8:01 AM
106	depends on if there are large vans or trucks parked close to the curb.	10/23/2014 6:52 AM
107	All intersections have poor sight distances because of parked cars	10/22/2014 9:23 PM
108	Typical Cambridgeport side street visibility issues.	10/22/2014 7:39 PM
109	Frankin/Pearl	10/22/2014 6:32 PM
110	Intersection of Pearl Street and Chestnut Street	10/22/2014 5:38 PM
111	Some of the streets near putnam (Allston, and others).	10/22/2014 5:29 PM
112	Pearl and chestnut str	10/22/2014 5:05 PM
113	If there is a truck parked on any corner, they are all blind spots.	10/22/2014 4:48 PM
114	large cars or vans parked near street corners is a frequent problem.	10/22/2014 4:40 PM
115	Henry St and Pearl St	10/22/2014 3:48 PM
116	Hamilton St	10/22/2014 3:44 PM
117	at junction of Chestnut street since that is a two way street without a lite (just that stupid, irrelevant blinking one). pls add a real stop lite or stop sign on Pearl as drivers approach Chestnut street. i have seen countless accidents here. plus cars park on pearl blocking visibility from Chestnut, even tho there are now "no parking signs" - nonetheless, cars are packed there.	10/22/2014 3:13 PM
118	Allston onto Pearl	10/22/2014 2:17 PM
119	Pearl and Franklin Street.	10/22/2014 1:45 PM
120	Hi! Welcome to Cambridge, home of the Blind Corner! Almost every intersection has blind spots because the neighborhood is so densely-built. This is part of life here in Cambridge, and people cope by being more careful at intersections. If you want long sight-distances, move to Dallas. (Or someplace else equally flat, master-planned for cars, and lame.)	10/22/2014 1:21 PM

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Q7 Would you like more trees on Pearl St.? If yes, where?

Answered: 312 Skipped: 20



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	57.05% 178
No	15.38% 48
Don't know	27.56% 86
Total	312

#	Location suggestions for trees:	Date
1	Lower pearl	11/9/2014 12:18 PM
2	More trees are always good.	11/8/2014 5:28 PM
3	The end towards central square, particularly around the small business district a few blocks south of central square.	11/8/2014 11:47 AM
4	On the Sidewalk Verge, more frequently	11/7/2014 8:04 PM
5	I'd prefer to not have additional trees taken out.	11/7/2014 7:38 PM
6	There are very few between Mas Ave and Decatur, and it gives the street a (inaccurate) run-down feel. It would feel more like the welcoming, diverse, residential neighborhood it is with more tree cover.	11/7/2014 4:54 PM
7	It gives character to the neighborhood	11/7/2014 12:37 PM
8	close to Mass. Ave.and near Putnam	11/7/2014 12:21 PM
9	Pearl and Green St.	11/7/2014 10:53 AM
10	Everywhere!	11/7/2014 8:48 AM
11	I believe more trees everywhere is generally a good idea.	11/6/2014 10:50 AM
12	Between Allston St and Putnam Av	11/6/2014 7:27 AM
13	Mass Ave to Lopez	11/5/2014 7:28 PM
14	We've got lots of great trees on Pearl of varied size and maturity.	11/5/2014 12:48 PM

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15	More trees are ideal, but the sidewalks are already narrow and root development can be problem.	11/5/2014 9:59 AM
16	library and adjacent city parking garage	11/4/2014 5:33 PM
17	Not if it narrows available sidewalk	11/4/2014 1:41 PM
18	More trees is always a benefit to the neighborhood. The area near the library is particularly barren as a streetscape.	11/3/2014 6:25 PM
19	always. but there seem to be a lot already. although between lawrence and erie seem sparse	11/3/2014 3:51 PM
20	Anywhere. Trees are great!	11/2/2014 2:05 PM
21	It's pretty tree-lined and pleasant.	11/1/2014 3:04 PM
22	Wherever you can plant them so they thrive. And, how about getting the abutting homeowners to adopt "their" trees, by weeding and watering them? And, How about planting some "Back of Sidewalk Tree Program" trees?	10/31/2014 7:54 PM
23	Yes . . . always . . . everywhere.	10/31/2014 2:55 PM
24	better tree care and plantings near the Library on Pearl.	10/30/2014 10:29 PM
25	Maybe a few more in the last blocks before Mass Ave?	10/30/2014 7:41 AM
26	I am not a proponent of planting trees singly in rows down streets. It's hard on the trees. Can't the city be more innovate with way are planted similar to the innovations made in new parks (great designs!)? Trees are absolutely vital to quality of life in a city, but the city is not paying much attention to the quality of life for trees.	10/29/2014 1:04 PM
27	Need to replace old trees with young ones where the pavement is cracking	10/28/2014 11:46 PM
28	i feel like there are enough	10/28/2014 9:35 PM
29	Central Square area	10/28/2014 9:03 PM
30	anywhere	10/28/2014 8:12 PM
31	There seem to be a fair number of trees here in comparison to other streets. It is really nice!	10/28/2014 5:35 PM
32	Not sure of location, but would love more trees.	10/28/2014 3:55 PM
33	Always like more trees	10/28/2014 9:24 AM
34	from William St. to Massachusetts Avenue the street could use more trees.	10/28/2014 9:13 AM
35	Trees are always good!	10/27/2014 11:39 PM
36	Trees are always a great idea, if the sidewalk were able to accommodate them but it's not very wide. Would be particularly welcome as Pearl street gets closer to Central Square.	10/27/2014 11:32 PM
37	Near Lawrence st	10/27/2014 9:05 PM
38	But I'm ok with it if sidewalks are extended.	10/27/2014 9:01 PM
39	Everywhere and always	10/27/2014 7:38 PM
40	Yes	10/27/2014 7:32 PM
41	almost always like more trees	10/27/2014 6:20 PM
42	The stretch between Mass Ave & Perry is pretty desolate and hot in the summer	10/27/2014 4:23 PM
43	There should be more trees EVERYWHERE.	10/27/2014 4:16 PM
44	By Mass Ave, by Allston Street	10/27/2014 3:43 PM
45	No Linden trees that emit sap from June to October and make everything sticky. Sticky cars, sticky bikes, sticky fences, sticky garbage cans, sticky patio furniture, sticky mailboxes.	10/27/2014 3:19 PM
46	Wherever possible. and better maintenance of the trees!	10/27/2014 2:51 PM
47	Anywhere there are none!	10/27/2014 2:39 PM
48	Since I primarily use Pearl St as a pedestrian, trees are a major attraction. I don't have a specific location. I just think the more trees, the better.	10/27/2014 2:36 PM

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49	There are a lot of trees on Pearl Street, especially toward Granite Street. I would like to see more up toward Central Square. And, always, replace any tree that is removed.	10/27/2014 1:05 PM
50	I assume the City arborist has an informed opinion on this question. Of course there are some sidewalk spots where the trees have died or are missing and have not been replaced. But it doesn't seem like a criterion for determining what traffic calming etc. you want to do. Trees are like mom & apple pie: Who would say no?	10/27/2014 12:22 PM
51	If this can be done while still keeping the sidewalk accessible for people with disabilities.	10/27/2014 11:10 AM
52	All over!	10/27/2014 10:56 AM
53	The first block off of Mass Ave is especially dreary. Whenever I come home after being away, it always feels really depressing driving down that first block. The second block used to be the same way, but a few years ago you planted trees in front of the library which was great. That whole area by the library gets a little ragged with people sleeping there and garbage building up by the steps.	10/27/2014 10:12 AM
54	By the library Central Square Branch, and near the Morse elementary school.	10/27/2014 9:58 AM
55	Throughout! Trees make a street so much nicer. They raise property values and are good for the environment.	10/27/2014 9:31 AM
56	Near Mass Ave	10/27/2014 9:24 AM
57	putnam intersection to Central square	10/27/2014 9:19 AM
58	a tree lined street would make all the properties more valuable and more beautiful	10/27/2014 8:58 AM
59	Along the street's entire length please!	10/27/2014 12:41 AM
60	No shade in some stretches - near auto shop, near convenience store, near "yellow houses", and	10/26/2014 11:38 PM
61	all over! urban trees are the best!	10/26/2014 10:57 PM
62	Spots where there aren't currently trees.	10/26/2014 9:43 PM
63	Between Auburn and Lopez is pretty bald.	10/26/2014 9:24 PM
64	It is pretty ugly from the square to Decatur, and no trees is one of the reason. It has maintained that industrial look - not the new good one, the old dirty one.	10/26/2014 9:20 PM
65	Between Mass Ave and Putnam.	10/26/2014 9:09 PM
66	next to library building.	10/26/2014 7:46 PM
67	Wherever possible, but especially where trees are lacking on private land.	10/26/2014 7:30 PM
68	The whole length.	10/26/2014 7:18 PM
69	everywhere possible	10/26/2014 6:23 PM
70	Trees are great, but they make the narrow sidewalk even narrower.	10/26/2014 10:38 AM
71	Odd numbered side of Pearl between Allston and Putnam. No street trees there at all now!	10/26/2014 10:17 AM
72	There actually seem to be a fair amount of trees???	10/25/2014 11:41 PM
73	Trees are a big asset but it's already pretty crowded on the sidewalk so I'm not sure.	10/25/2014 4:15 PM
74	In front of 54 in particular and on the blocks closer to the square in general	10/25/2014 11:27 AM
75	Any where you can put them! As long as there is enough sidewalk. Seems mostly bald north of Cottage Street.	10/25/2014 10:14 AM
76	All sections. There are some areas with virtually no shade trees making for unpleasant summertime walking.	10/25/2014 9:28 AM
77	If the trees are trimmed so intersection sight lines are clear, the trees are great!	10/25/2014 9:16 AM
78	Closer to Mass Ave it feels rather barren. The library facade is kind of brutal and could also use more softening with mature trees.	10/25/2014 8:33 AM
79	Would need to fit in with new road configuration	10/25/2014 7:56 AM
80	Everywhere it is possible to put them.	10/24/2014 7:47 PM
81	Everywhere.	10/24/2014 6:18 PM

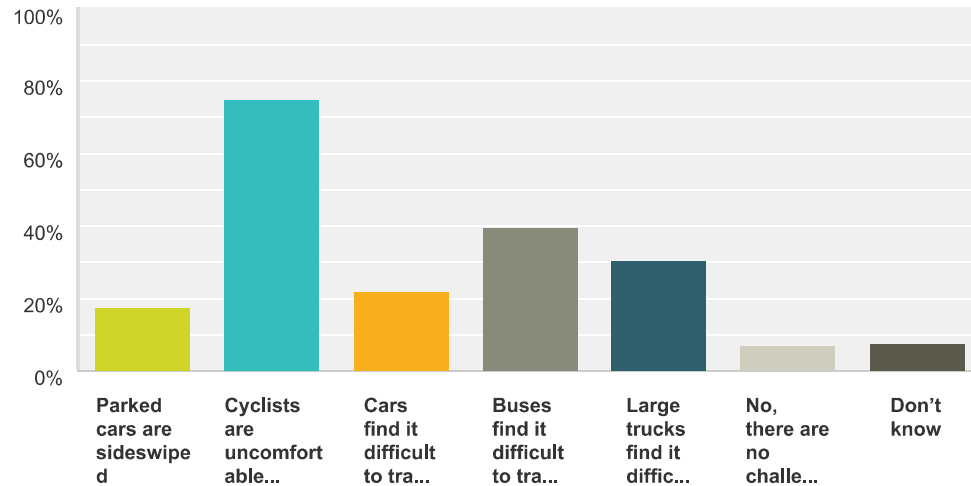
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82	Depends what kind. If the whole street is re-landscaped giving it a sense of calm and openness, then I'm sure trees would be nice - as long as they are small and slow growing.	10/24/2014 5:20 PM
83	It's always good to have more trees, but Pearl has a good number. The one place that comes to mind, though, is from Auburn Street to Lopez Street.	10/24/2014 2:31 PM
84	City trees are not maintained or well-chosen. Please do NOT impose bad trees on the neighborhood. I am cursed with a tree in front of my house that drops both sticky flowers and sticky seed pods all over the sidewalk/street each year. I have begged the city arborist to remove the tree, all to no avail. Keep your city trees off Pearl Street!	10/24/2014 2:12 PM
85	From Cottage to Green needs more but particularly so bt watson and franklin	10/23/2014 7:16 PM
86	Between Franklin and Auburn	10/23/2014 5:32 PM
87	between Mass Ave. and Franklin	10/23/2014 5:23 PM
88	Between Franklin and Auburn	10/23/2014 5:08 PM
89	there are stretches where trees are scarce	10/23/2014 4:49 PM
90	Allston to Putnam, Perry to Mass Ave, on the west side of Pearl	10/23/2014 12:58 PM
91	Around 54 pearl there are no trees!!! It is bleak	10/23/2014 8:52 AM
92	not the kind with sap (lindens) or beans--we have both and they are a mess to clean up. The Lindens rain sap down on our cars and outdoor furniture starting in June and are still going (October)	10/23/2014 6:52 AM
93	In general on west side of street, also between Mass. Ave. and Perry St., between Putnam and Granite	10/22/2014 9:23 PM
94	The more trees the better	10/22/2014 9:04 PM
95	closest to Mass Ave.	10/22/2014 8:07 PM
96	Next to the library and Green Street Garage needs larger trees	10/22/2014 7:54 PM
97	Everywhere. As many locations as possible.	10/22/2014 7:53 PM
98	Wherever they fit, but there's a particularly bleak stretch at the complex of yellow houses between Allston and Putnam.	10/22/2014 6:32 PM
99	Anywhere. I like trees.	10/22/2014 5:21 PM
100	Where ever there is space	10/22/2014 5:05 PM
101	not sure really, but I always would like more trees....	10/22/2014 4:52 PM
102	Unfortunately, the sidewalks can barely accommodate 2 people walking together. Trees would be lovely, but would further impede the width of the sidewalk. Street for cars and Bus 47 is narrow.	10/22/2014 4:48 PM
103	between Mass Ave. running down to below William Street.	10/22/2014 4:31 PM
104	Up closer to Mass Ave. Down near Granite there seem to be a very nice amount. However, though as you get closer to Central Sq the number of trees significantly decreases.	10/22/2014 3:48 PM
105	251 Pearl St	10/22/2014 3:46 PM
106	Between Library Franklin	10/22/2014 2:17 PM
107	everywhere on Pearl Street.	10/22/2014 1:45 PM
108	Tree distribution seems appropriate and not in need of remediation.	10/22/2014 1:21 PM
109	As much as will fit	10/22/2014 12:27 PM
110	The block between Allston and Hamilton is bare on the odd side.	10/22/2014 12:04 PM
111	between William and Cottage	10/22/2014 11:07 AM

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Q8 Are there challenges related to the narrow width of the street? Please specify where if applicable. Check all that apply:

Answered: 311 Skipped: 21



Answer Choices	Responses
Parked cars are sideswiped	17.36% 54
Cyclists are uncomfortable sharing the road with motor vehicles	75.24% 234
Cars find it difficult to travel through the street	22.19% 69
Buses find it difficult to travel through the street	39.55% 123
Large trucks find it difficult to travel through the street	30.55% 95
No, there are no challenges	7.07% 22
Don't know	7.40% 23
Total Respondents: 311	

#	Locations:	Date
1	Please don't take away parking	11/9/2014 11:56 AM
2	I watched a Poland Springs truck struggle down the street. I was loaded down on my bike and I got down the street to the Morse School before them. It's not safe for large vehicles.	11/8/2014 5:30 PM
3	I assume all of the above happen to some extent.	11/7/2014 7:38 PM
4	Basically everywhere. I am constantly dealing with cars impatiently following behind me, unwilling to pass even though I am pulled as close to the parked cars as I can safely be.	11/7/2014 4:55 PM
5	I am a cyclist and I like that everybody has to speed down, and how cares about the large trucks not making the radios. The streets should be designed for pedestrians	11/7/2014 12:39 PM
6	Pearl and Green St. There are lots of truck deliveries, buses, bikes, people coming and going from the parking garage, etc, just very busy.	11/7/2014 10:55 AM
7	This is absolutely a problem. With parking on both sides the road is too narrow for cars to pass bikes safely. Which leads to dangerous overtaking or angry drivers.	11/6/2014 7:54 PM

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8	I've never understood why the bus runs down Pearl Street at all. Why not run the bus on Magazine street for the whole journey from Central Sq to Granite St. But maybe with changes (elimination of parking, addition of a bike lane, etc.) busses would have more room, and could make the full journey down on Pearl—instead of having to detour over to Magazine St. for the final approach to Granite St.	11/6/2014 5:31 PM
9	Street cannot be widened. Everyone has to pay attention and give way when possible.	11/6/2014 2:29 PM
10	Buses are mostly OK except when snow has been plowed and the street begins to narrow, at which point the 47 often comes close to scraping parked cars (or sometimes does)	11/6/2014 7:28 AM
11	Biggest problems are obviously when it has snowed a fair amount. Not being able to pass a bus at a stop or a cyclist is not a problem, but a minimal issue to be expected.	11/5/2014 7:08 PM
12	I anticipate cyclists are uncomfortable sharing the road - but have experienced challenges both as a driver and a pedestrian interacting with bicycles on Pearl - including bicycles traveling in the wrong direction - I would propose funneling bicycle traffic to adjacent streets when possible which have bike lanes.	11/5/2014 12:50 PM
13	I haven't personally had any problems, but keeping speed down would help with what I perceive could be a challenge.	11/5/2014 10:01 AM
14	As someone who commutes via bicycle and lives on Hamilton, I find that I have been dangerously followed or passed too close every single time I've used Pearl.	11/4/2014 6:17 PM
15	particularly tough to navigate when the snow mounds on the road - really pushes parked cars further onto the street.	11/4/2014 5:35 PM
16	Should not be any large trucks it is too narrow	11/4/2014 1:42 PM
17	it's only tight when cars and cyclists are trying to get through, although the speed on pearl is pretty slow already. If one passes the other, they generally catch up to each other. I know buses get stuck, and trucks are rerouted for the most part.	11/3/2014 3:53 PM
18	As a cyclist, I would like the road to be wider. However, I am pretty pleased that trucks don't use it, as I do not think large trucks should cut through Cambridge residential streets.	11/1/2014 3:05 PM
19	I've never found it difficult driving or walking. I've never seen sideswiping or bus-passage difficulties like there are on 2-way Magazine St. (where I live) with parking on both sides & a 30-mph speed limit.	10/31/2014 7:58 PM
20	Actually, it's car traffic mingling with cyclists . . . because cyclists tend to travel wherever and however they please. They disobey road rules . . . more often than not.	10/31/2014 2:59 PM
21	any location along Pearl can be problematic when cars are speeding or cars are parked badly or too close to side streets	10/31/2014 12:26 PM
22	Cyclists (mostly kids) go up the wrong way on Pearl St. This is troubling for motorists,	10/30/2014 10:34 PM
23	Very difficult for cars and bikes to share this narrow street.	10/30/2014 3:35 PM
24	Large trucks should be prohibited on this narrow street. Terrifying to bike between Auburn and the river.	10/30/2014 1:36 PM
25	There should NEVER be large trucks on Pearl Street.	10/29/2014 1:08 PM
26	all over	10/28/2014 9:36 PM
27	It is narrow particularly when there is snow on the ground, but it would be hard to give up one entire side of parking for width or a bike lane...	10/28/2014 9:05 PM
28	Green to putnam	10/28/2014 5:50 PM
29	Pretty much the entire length it is uncomfortable to bike due to cars. When I drive, I'm constantly worried I'll run into concoming traffic, or hit a bike.	10/28/2014 5:37 PM
30	The entirety of Pearl st from Mass Ave to Granite St. is very narrow, particularly for buses. I have had my mirror swiped off by a bus and cars often have to back up on Putnam in order for the bus driver to turn right on Putnam street from Pearl St.	10/28/2014 3:57 PM
31	snow plow also makes it hard	10/28/2014 3:30 PM
32	Cars are currently sideswiped. More so, by bicyclist. I've had my mirror and door damaged a few times. The autobody says it was not damaged by a vehicle but looked like it was a cyclist.	10/28/2014 3:06 PM
33	Hard when it snows in particular	10/28/2014 2:17 PM

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34	all along Pearl	10/28/2014 1:34 PM
35	The entire road, especially during winter - cars get backed up, buses can't drive down the street because of cars parked badly.	10/28/2014 11:58 AM
36	I find it tough only in winter -- since cars park farther from the sidewalks and make the road too narrow for cars & particularly buses.	10/28/2014 10:55 AM
37	I don't have problems walking, cycling, or driving on Pearl Street. In whatever mode I'm using, I'm careful, and that's enough.	10/28/2014 9:53 AM
38	As a driver, the only challenge seems to be with cyclists	10/28/2014 9:45 AM
39	I bike on it every day - its fine for the most part - The pot holes are more trouble than traffic) best would be to keep both side for parking but paint bikes on the road indicating bike may take entire lane	10/28/2014 9:35 AM
40	There should be no large trucks on Pearl Street	10/28/2014 9:25 AM
41	Everywhere between William St and Granite St	10/28/2014 9:14 AM
42	Buses turning from Pearl to Putnam have a difficult time making the turn and often require traffic on Putnam to back up - it would actually make sense to put in a stop line set back from the intersection on Putnam to make sure buses have clearance to make the turn (especially the larger CNG-fueled buses).	10/28/2014 9:10 AM
43	The entire length of pearl st	10/27/2014 9:06 PM
44	Everywhere	10/27/2014 7:38 PM
45	also in the winter, the snow is not removed, just pushed to the side.	10/27/2014 6:21 PM
46	Pearl St is very unfriendly for bicycle riders; the safest place is in the middle of the travel lane, but less experience riders are likely to ride closer to parked cars, which is very dangerous because of dooring. I have witness this happening, and it was sickening to see the bike rider falling to the pavement, hitting his head, and spitting out his teeth. Of course, it could have been fatal.	10/27/2014 5:28 PM
47	As a cyclist, I find Pearl Street somewhat unpleasant. Parked cars on the right hand side of the street are an ever-present danger with doors that could open an any moment, sending the cyclist out into the middle of the traffic lane to be run over by a bus or car. The best way for cyclists to travel on Pearl Street is to "take a lane" but many cyclists, especially little kids and older cyclists are unfamiliar or unwilling or afraid to do that.	10/27/2014 4:54 PM
48	Most of the street is too narrow for cars to safely pass bikes. But if both bikers and cars can be patient, then there are often wider areas where a biker can veer to the side while a car passes. The danger is if a biker feels like they need to hug the side in the narrow portions, tempting drivers to try to pass them while at the same time the biker is way too close to the parked cars. Things work best if both bikers and cars understand that in the narrow areas, the bike is going to take the whole lane. The general condition of the street does make this difficult, since the biker is often having to veer around bad portions of pavement, which can confuse drivers. So just repaving the street might make a difference. Unfortunately it will also encourage cars to speed up. And of course, when snow hits, all bets are off.	10/27/2014 4:46 PM
49	Anywhere there are cars parked on both sides of the street.	10/27/2014 3:26 PM
50	It can be hard to cycle without getting uncomfortably close to the parked cars.	10/27/2014 2:39 PM
51	IDEALLY THERE SHOULD BE NO PARKING ON ONE SIDE OF THE STREET!!!!	10/27/2014 1:07 PM
52	I have noticed that when I drive down Pearl street I tend to not pass cyclists when there is parking on both sides. I wait until there is space on the right for the cyclist. However, when I bicycle down Pearl St I am oblivious to the problem: I do stay on the right but since it is the overtaking vehicle's responsibility to pass safely I just don't give it thought and really don't feel stressed about it either. And of course whenever there no parked cars on the right I move over to make it easy for cars to pass. On reflection, I think there have been many times where I've bicycled from Central Square to Chestnut Street without seeing a moving car at all. Do you have data on how frequently cyclists have the street to themselves because after all Pear St. isn't particularly well traveled. I'd guess that more than half of my bicycle trips from Central Square have been uninterrupted.	10/27/2014 12:34 PM
53	So many places. Especially poignant as a biker. Also noticeable in a car or on the bus. have heard many stories about cars being sideswiped on the neighborhood list serv.	10/27/2014 11:14 AM
54	trucks should not be able to use the street -- use Magazine or other unless essential	10/27/2014 11:10 AM
55	the road is wider than most in the area, so it's actually not that bad, even in the snow	10/27/2014 10:59 AM

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56	In the winter it can become too narrow (and buses sometimes have trouble passing though if cars are pushed out on the road due to snowbanks)	10/27/2014 10:49 AM
57	Without room to pass, bikes have to go very fast, or risk the rage of the car behind them, or pull over frequently to let cars go by.	10/27/2014 10:02 AM
58	Dedicated lane for cyclists would benefit cyclists and drivers alike	10/27/2014 9:54 AM
59	This is a serious problem.	10/27/2014 9:27 AM
60	Would appreciate speed bumps in several locations to slow traffic for children's safety	10/27/2014 9:00 AM
61	Large trucks occasionally stuck at Henry and pearl. Trucks Should be prohibited from Henry.	10/27/2014 7:37 AM
62	All along the street. It's a narrow street.	10/27/2014 6:54 AM
63	The bus turning from Pearl to Putnam is always a challenge and forces cars to back up on Putnam or pul to side	10/27/2014 6:32 AM
64	Cars often tailgate cyclists, waiting for a break in the cars parked on one side or the other and then make a dash for it in order to overtake the cyclist/s. This is assuming the cyclist/s takes the lane - if not, cars will often pass dangerously close as there is minimal clearance for both vehicles where cars are parked on both sides.	10/27/2014 12:47 AM
65	Uncomfortable having bikes determine driving speed. Maybe have "no parking" stretches across from the multiple bus stops so cars can pass both buses and bikes.	10/26/2014 11:40 PM
66	bikes on magazine and pearl hold up traffic. i don't mind. i drive way behind them slowly. maybe others don't. parking is also important but it would be nice to have a real bike lane. not that that keeps the bikes from slowing down traffic, but it makes the problem less.	10/26/2014 10:59 PM
67	When I'm on my bike, I only ride down the middle of the street (i.e. blocking traffic) and pull over to let cars pass; I do NOT consider it safe to have cars pass me otherwise. Brookline, with its bike lane, is completely different in that regard.	10/26/2014 10:41 PM
68	There is barely room for cars to pass cyclists comfortably along most of Pearl St.	10/26/2014 9:39 PM
69	It is a scary street to cycle, particularly when a bus or fire engine is approaching. When travelling towards the river on a bike I use Sidney Street. I feel that the city should encourage bicyclists to use Sidney since there is less traffic and more room for bikes there.	10/26/2014 9:30 PM
70	I take the 47 multiple times per day, and it is often difficult for the bus to travel, especially in the winter. The route has been re-routed in the winter, and most drivers will not stop on Magazine at all, going away from the square towards Boston, since there are no designated stops. This essentially removes bus service from my neighborhood for days to weeks in the winter. I have ridden a bike in the past, and I took any other street. It is impossible for two sides of parked cars, a bus or truck and a bicycle to all be in the same area at the same time. Taxis cannot stop to let passengers out without blocking the bus either.	10/26/2014 9:26 PM
71	Snow plowing is not done very well on Pearl St. and is the biggest single problem. If the city removes any parking spaces on this street, it will only make matters much worse in the neighborhood. Where will all the cars that park on Pearl St now park during construction? Based on what DPW did on Western Ave, we expect Pearl St, plan to be another unmitigated disaster.	10/26/2014 9:02 PM
72	Pulling onto Pearl can be challenging if cars are parked up to the corners as wel as across the street. It can be a 3 point turn	10/26/2014 8:54 PM
73	motor vehicles are uncomfortable sharing the road with cyclists!	10/26/2014 7:47 PM
74	It is very good and useful that Buses and Trucks are required to turn off Pearl St at Putnam.	10/26/2014 7:23 PM
75	The entire street.	10/26/2014 10:39 AM
76	There needs to be parking on both sides of the street given how few driveways and off street spaces there are and how densely populated it is. Therefore, street too narrow for buses and trucks. Please re-route. Street probably too narrow to add a bike lane, but I don't see a lot of conflict between cyclists and cars. I'm rarely stuck behind a bike when driving and when I bike I feel safe.	10/26/2014 10:23 AM
77	Busses should NOT be on Pearl. It is much too narrow, there are parked cars, and they belong on wider streets, like Mass Ave, Western, River. Same with large trucks unless they have to be on Pearl to get where they're going, or coming out of side streets	10/25/2014 6:07 PM
78	Difficult to go around cyclists while driving.	10/25/2014 5:14 PM

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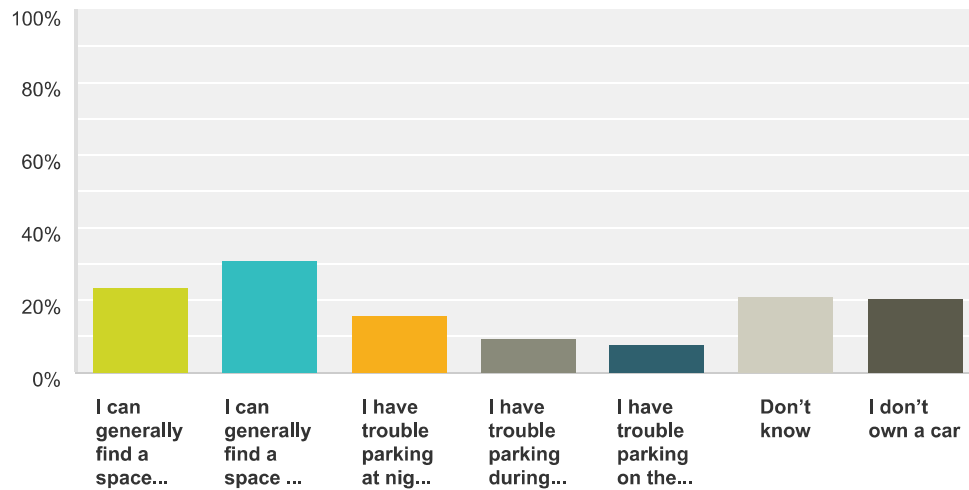
79	When there is snow, the 47 bus sometimes has a hard time getting down the street. School buses seem to be OK.	10/25/2014 3:59 PM
80	Are there challenges, yes, some. Is it worse than similar streets, I wouldn't say so. Buses and trucks do occasionally side-swipe a car. I wouldn't eliminate or reduce parking in an attempt to address any problems; I'm not sure there is enough of an issue that reducing parking would make a difference. (said by someone with off-street parking) As for large trucks, if they are too large, they don't belong on residential streets.	10/25/2014 12:18 PM
81	When snow piles up in an extreme fashion, then you have trouble with buses, making a parking ban on one side during heavy snow events with free garage parking for residents seems to solve that problem. Although it is narrow - I never see sideswiping - mainly because people drive slow and are careful. No large trucks is a good thing, have them take Magazine or Brookline. Cyclists have a dedicated lane on Brookline, another could be placed on Magazine st. to take them to the river. Apart from buses and resident uses Pearl is *not* a good avenue for non-locals to cut through and to get to the river, and we like it that way!	10/25/2014 11:36 AM
82	Cars do find it hard to pass cyclists because the street is often not wide enough - BUT THAT IS GOOD!!! It slows down traffic. Again, the main problem is the terrible paving, that makes it hard as a cyclist to bike in a straight line because you have to dodge so much.	10/25/2014 10:16 AM
83	The road needs parking on both sides because of the lack of driveways, so a bike lane would be a tight fit - though if one could be created that would be excellent. Still, if there were better and more well-marked bike lanes on Magazine, Brookline and Magazine could take the bike traffic with little need for bike traffic on Pearl.	10/25/2014 9:38 AM
84	It's a narrow street like so many in Cambridgeport.	10/25/2014 9:21 AM
85	Large trucks do not belong on this street unless doing local business	10/25/2014 8:06 AM
86	With parked cars, the available space for cars and bicycles is rather narrow, making it difficult for both.	10/25/2014 7:43 AM
87	Sidewalks are too narrow	10/24/2014 2:37 PM
88	Only during major snow events	10/23/2014 8:44 PM
89	Problems are worse closer to Mass Ave	10/23/2014 5:09 PM
90	It is a plenty wide street except for trailers trying to turn a corner onto it. It is tight when a car and a bicycle are traveling at the same time, but there is plenty of room. And it's not a street to speed so I think there is no problem. People dressed in black stepping off the sidewalk through parked cars can be scary. but it is a residential area, so i think drivers are on the aler	10/23/2014 4:53 PM
91	The winter is especially difficult with the addition of snow, buses sometimes need to be redirected which is hard for riders to know and for those with limited mobility to cope with	10/23/2014 11:09 AM
92	Insufficient parking causes traffic slowdowns	10/23/2014 9:45 AM
93	We park on Pearl near Hamilton and have to hope the bus sees us opening a driver side door of our car in time to slow down.	10/23/2014 6:53 AM
94	Hard to drive when there is a cyclist. It's too narrow to pass them, but it really slows traffic down to follow them. Also, it seems that some drivers think every intersection is a 4-way stop.	10/22/2014 10:40 PM
95	The entire length of the street	10/22/2014 9:25 PM
96	Esp. Between Putnam and Granite	10/22/2014 7:40 PM
97	- Parked cars being sideswiped is a big problem in the winter, not so much in the other seasons - The bigger cyclist problem is that cars don't have enough room to pass and then get super aggressive with the cyclist - The 47 bus making the turn at Putnam has to do a crazy wide turn to make it around the parked cars, which requires cooperation with whatever cars are at the stoplight in the other direction	10/22/2014 6:35 PM
98	and MBTA drivers can be especially inconsiderate or downright hostile to cyclists (from my own experience).	10/22/2014 4:43 PM
99	wintertime snow piles present a problem, but otherwise, travel on the street is reasonable.	10/22/2014 4:34 PM
100	Very often trucks of all sizes but in particular the larger ones, come down Pearl St or down one of the side streets (Henry St is the one I see mainly) and have the hardest time making the turn off of Pearl onto Granite St. The fence in front of the school has been hit several times and the cement posts that were placed to protect the school have been rolled over. as well as a number of trees leveled as a result of this. Better signage near Putnam Ave letting trucks know that it will be a difficult turn should be posted.	10/22/2014 3:59 PM
101	trucks should not be allowed on the street	10/22/2014 3:47 PM

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102	The street is fine as it is. Any changes such as a bike line or raised crosswalks would make it difficult for cars.	10/22/2014 3:34 PM
103	at Pearl and Chestnut- problem area as Chestnut is a two way street whereas with the exception of Putnam, all the other streets that intersect with Pearl are one way streets. so cars zoom down Chestnut street, from Memorial drive- using Chestnut as their short cut. very congested at rush hours and dangerous crossing over Pearl Street.	10/22/2014 3:15 PM
104	Frequent challenge is the turn for MBTA bus 47 from Pearl to Putnum. Often vehicles transgress the hold-short line on Putnam-eastbound, making it impossible/difficult for the bus to execute the turn until they move. Narrowness is otherwise only a problem for weak cyclists & drivers who lack confidence/competence at operating their vehicles.	10/22/2014 1:26 PM
105	Our telephone line has been pulled down three times in the last three years by large trucks coming through. The 47 bus often has to slow way down to maneuver between parked cars, particularly if there is a truck parked on one side.	10/22/2014 12:14 PM

**Q9 What is your experience with motor vehicle parking availability on Pearl Street?
Please specify where if applicable. Check all that apply:**

Answered: 308 Skipped: 24



Answer Choices	Responses
I can generally find a space nearby	23.38% 72
I can generally find a space – except during events such snow emergencies and/or street cleaning	30.84% 95
I have trouble parking at night on week days	15.91% 49
I have trouble parking during the day on week days	9.42% 29
I have trouble parking on the weekends	8.12% 25
Don't know	20.78% 64
I don't own a car	20.45% 63
Total Respondents: 308	

#	Locations:	Date
1	I have a driveway on William St.	11/6/2014 2:29 PM
2	Certainly is difficult for my clients who aren't Cambridge residents.	11/5/2014 1:03 PM
3	Near Green St.	11/1/2014 4:17 PM
4	People park in front of my driveway way too many times...which is annoying since it's obvious that it's a driveway. This usually happens when on Sunday when local church goers are looking to park and don't pay attention.	10/30/2014 10:34 PM
5	But not near Central.	10/30/2014 7:43 AM
6	There are too many cars! However, we have a driveway, so we hear there is trouble parking but don't experience it. For sure snow days are a problem everywhere in Cambridge.	10/29/2014 1:08 PM
7	i have a driveway	10/28/2014 9:36 PM
8	This will be changing with the new development on Sidney Street ...parking will most likely be more challenging	10/28/2014 9:05 PM

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9	Mcternan to erie	10/28/2014 5:50 PM
10	Usually can find a parking spot near the intersection with Putnam, but rarely can I find one nearer Central Sq.	10/28/2014 4:25 PM
11	Parking has become a problem not only at night, but during the day as well. If I'm home from work and go on an errand all the spots are taken and I generally have to park further away from my house. It's not always safe walking from a block away at night or in the early morning hours to go to the gym when its dark. By adding a bike lane, and if parking spots are removed, will cause a further parking problem and safety problem for the residents.	10/28/2014 3:06 PM
12	Near Pearl and McTernan	10/28/2014 9:45 AM
13	I don't park there	10/28/2014 9:04 AM
14	I own a car and have a zoning mandated garage which I paid for. Tax-funded spaces for the temporary storage of person propert - cars - are an amenity and should be the lowest priority after all other uses.	10/27/2014 9:06 PM
15	Who cares? I'm a car owner, but making parking easier will just promote driving. We should be focused on other things like making cycling safer and increasing/enhancing public transportation (please do so, so I can get rid of my car).	10/27/2014 4:18 PM
16	I got rid of my car because parking was an issue in Central Square but I think that is a good thing. I have witnessed one by one all my neighbors ditching their cars. This is good for the environment and a huge health benefit for those of us who have gotten rid of our cars. We walk more.	10/27/2014 2:38 PM
17	I live near the intersection of Pearl Street and Putnam Ave, and it is very hard to find parking spots on Pearl (and in the neighborhood in general). It is especially impossible during street cleaning and snow emergencies.	10/27/2014 11:14 AM
18	I live on Salem and park on Salem, Auburn or Watson. I'd be concerned about reducing the number of parking space on Pearl and what that would do to parking on Salem, Auburn or Watson.	10/27/2014 10:32 AM
19	The end of Pearl Street near the Morse Elementary School is usually fine for parking.	10/27/2014 10:02 AM
20	I don't park on Pearl St b/c I live on Pleasant St	10/27/2014 6:59 AM
21	I usually park on side streets to avoid traffic and buses.	10/26/2014 11:40 PM
22	Valentine St.	10/26/2014 9:48 PM
23	The weekend difficulty is during Sunday mornings when worshipers at nearby churches park up the neighborhood to a remarkable degree. This is not really a major hardship, though, since it is temporary.	10/26/2014 9:30 PM
24	I have a garage so it is not an issue.	10/26/2014 8:01 PM
25	Snow emergencies make Pearl St very difficult to park at. The parking problems along the length of Pearl Street is quite variable.. In the summer there are no problems. The rest of the year you can generally find parking on the street except during street cleaning and snow emergencies. When the street is plowed in the winter. The plows often plow the snow on to the sidewalk of the odd side of Pearl St. The residents should not be responsible for clearing the sidewalks when the city plows the snow on to the sidewalk.	10/26/2014 7:23 PM
26	Gets tough after a lot of snow. Huge snow piles. Poor drainage leads to ice, making it harder to clear spots. A better plan for always requiring one side to be a snow emergency side could help reduce volume of left over snow and create more spaces after plowing.	10/26/2014 10:23 AM
27	Parking: I don't know if there is a place later on, but the parking garage, along with the library, are the worst parts of Pearl Street. They are ugly, dark, feel dangerous, invite garbage, people sleeping on the street, etc. So I don't think a solution to parking is that garage: I think the garage should be torn down, and the library overhangs should be eliminated	10/25/2014 6:07 PM
28	The closer to Mass ave the harder it is to park.	10/25/2014 3:59 PM
29	My neighbors are almost always parked adjacent to the house.	10/25/2014 12:18 PM
30	Street cleaning is a mild hassle, but nothing serious. If we lose parking on both sides there will be a serious issue for residents since most places on Pearl do NOT have driveways. We NEED onstreet parking just so our neighborhood can function. Ease of use for non-residents should not take precedence over the basic living needs of those who own there homes and raise their kids on Pearl as my family does. We need places to park. This is serious for our day-to-day lives.	10/25/2014 11:36 AM

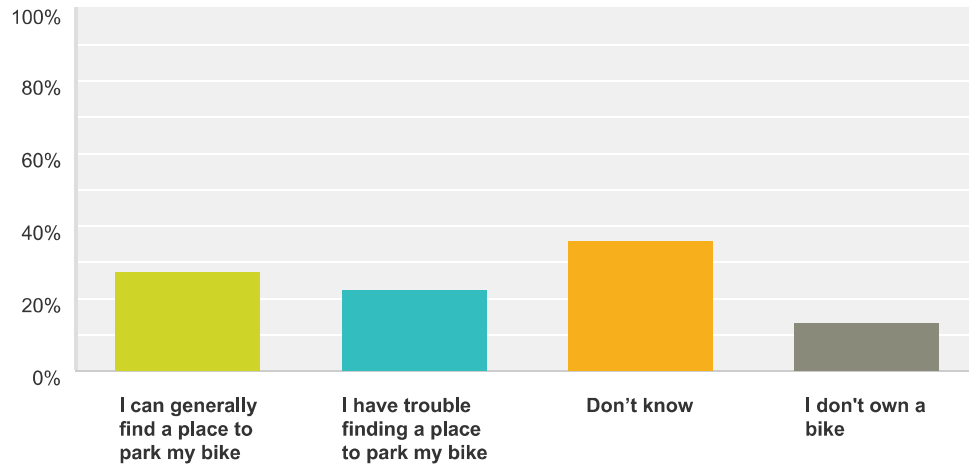
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31	Car parking is at near capacity. When one side is banned due to snow it becomes a terrible problem, especially for older drivers. Please do not considered removing a lane of parking! Magazine is wide enough to accommodate a full bike lane without impacting traffic. Magazine and Brookline together can handle all bike traffic from Central to Memorial Drive. There are too many people without driveways to suddenly remove 50% of the parking without impacting their quality of life	10/25/2014 9:38 AM
32	This is not the correct question. As we discussed at the last meeting, the issue is not whether you can find a space but how far do you have to go (especially older folks and parents with children). When I have visitors -- even with parking consideration -- they often have problems finding a space. I am very concerned that we NOT reduce the number of spaces on Pearl Street.	10/25/2014 9:21 AM
33	I don't have occasion to park in that area.	10/25/2014 8:34 AM
34	I got rid of my car but use zip or rentals sometimes and require street parking sometimes. It is hard to park at night especially in the winter I question the parking space survey statistics Daytime there are always spaces Night time is the issue Snow can reduce spaces by 50 percent Reducing the number of spaces on pearl will directly reduce the number of spaces on my street Cottage st.	10/25/2014 8:06 AM
35	I have a driveway, and thus parking is not an issue for me.	10/25/2014 7:43 AM
36	I can always find a space.	10/24/2014 6:19 PM
37	People who live on Pearl frequently park on the side streets, making them more crowded. I think we need a neighborhood underground parking lot!	10/24/2014 5:25 PM
38	Each time the City "renovates" a street, we lose on-street parking. It never fails! Many residents do not have off-street parking. Please do not make choices that further reduce on-street parking spaces!!	10/24/2014 2:13 PM
39	That is more difficult to do in snow emergencies and street cleaning days.	10/23/2014 4:53 PM
40	Especially difficult closer to Central Sq	10/23/2014 9:45 AM
41	When I did own a car I had no trouble finding a convenient spot	10/22/2014 9:25 PM
42	it's near impossible to park during snow emergencies or street cleaning. Please, please do not reduce the number of parking spaces on the street.	10/22/2014 8:09 PM
43	There are so many condos on the side street near my house (Tuft St) that parking is sometimes very difficult in front of my house. At times, if I pull out of my spot and return with fifteen minutes the spot I was parked in has been taken. Also another difficulty is all the people that own bikes and lock them to random polls (ie: snow emergency polls) make it difficult for passengers to get out of the car once parked.	10/22/2014 3:59 PM
44	People from other streets park on the street and it is difficult to find a spot near your house sometimes.	10/22/2014 3:34 PM
45	Snow storms pose a great challenge because the snow banks contribute to further narrowing an already narrow street. The City put a system in place for clearing the cars on the odd side during a large snow storm by providing flip-down signs, but nowadays even in a smaller storm, I observe that those with SUVs and 4 wheel drive just drive over the snow instead of clearing, and it makes for a real mess on the street. I feel that the snow should be cleared during every plowable event on Pearl on one side to keep it wide enough to be passable.	10/22/2014 12:14 PM
46	When I used to own a car or when I'm parking a rental car now, I tend to park along Valentine Street, which tends to have spots open.	10/21/2014 8:44 PM

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Q10 Are there challenges with bicycle parking availability? Please specify where if applicable.

Answered: 304 Skipped: 28



Answer Choices	Responses
I can generally find a place to park my bike	27.63% 84
I have trouble finding a place to park my bike	22.70% 69
Don't know	36.18% 110
I don't own a bike	13.49% 41
Total	304

#	Locations:	Date
1	There just aren't enough signposts for everyone. A couple of small racks would be very helpful.	11/7/2014 4:55 PM
2	There is little bicycle parking available.	11/7/2014 11:03 AM
3	Bike parking is in the Green St garage. it is well marked, good signage.	11/7/2014 10:55 AM
4	Even though its residential, formal bike parking is always needed.	11/6/2014 9:31 PM
5	Generally able to lock to a fence or a sign. Real bike racks are always greatly appreciated.	11/6/2014 7:54 PM
6	Near Putnam	11/6/2014 7:33 PM
7	Don't generally park in the area, do appreciate the possibility of parking at the library	11/6/2014 6:23 PM
8	generally difficult to park a bike unless it's to a street sign (not secure)	11/6/2014 5:53 PM
9	don't park, except right by the Central Square library - no problems.	11/6/2014 5:42 PM
10	I keep my bike in the house, but this seems like it can be an issue.as its not helpful having bikes locked to street signs.	11/5/2014 7:08 PM
11	Need more near Mass Ave	11/1/2014 4:17 PM
12	Unless you count street signs as valid parking, there is almost no parking availability.	11/1/2014 2:46 PM
13	CENTRAL SQ. NEEDS WAY MORE BIKE PARKING	10/30/2014 10:34 PM

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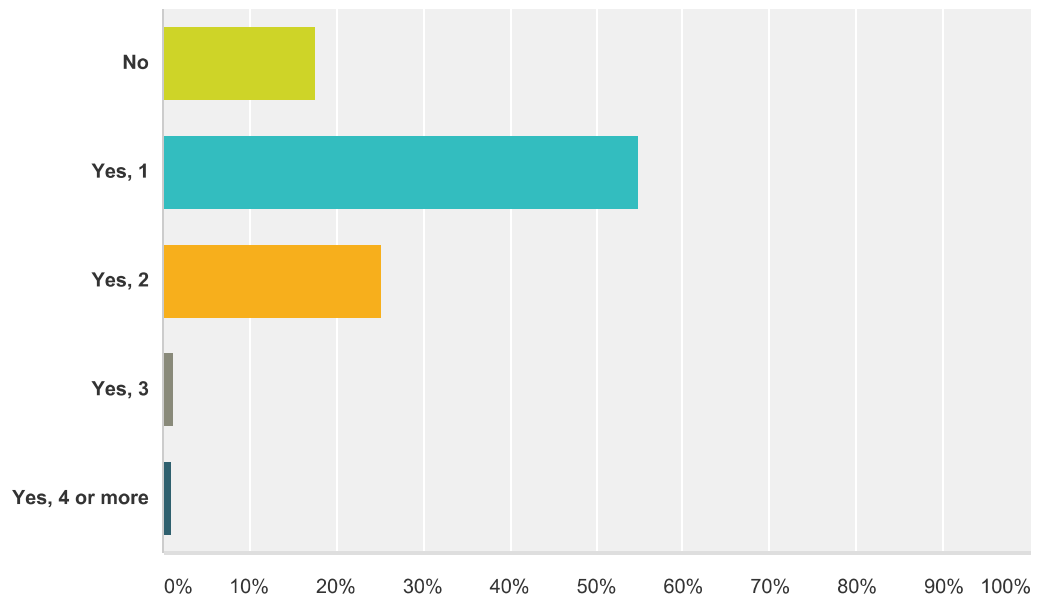
14	It seems to me that bikes are a problem to park on all the streets near Pearl, as well as Pearl itself. They are obstructions to pedestrians, which encourages vandalism.	10/29/2014 1:08 PM
15	Only spots are signposts	10/29/2014 2:36 AM
16	i park in my driveway	10/28/2014 9:36 PM
17	not enough at Central Square, library, any commercial uses on upper Pearl....not relevant elsewhere	10/28/2014 9:05 PM
18	I typically have to park my bike along a street sign.	10/28/2014 3:57 PM
19	I park my bike to the street sign. however, at pearl and putnam there is a business that draws many cyclists and there is often no bike parking there.	10/28/2014 3:41 PM
20	there is little to no bike parking on pearl st	10/28/2014 3:30 PM
21	I think there should be areas a bicycle can park. If not on the actual property, somewhere else. Currently people chain their bikes to street signs and it makes it difficult gaining entry to the passenger side of the car for people to try and remove bags etc. Cars pay an excise tax and pay for a parking sticker to park on city streets.	10/28/2014 3:06 PM
22	There is bike parking at the library which is usually full. There is no other bike parking that I'm aware of.	10/28/2014 11:58 AM
23	Aside from the library, there is simply no bike parking.	10/28/2014 7:08 AM
24	However, that place is usually a street sign pole. More bike racks would be great!	10/27/2014 11:34 PM
25	There is never enough bicycle parking available anywhere.	10/27/2014 4:54 PM
26	I have trouble finding a SAFE place to park my bike. If your bike gets stolen you're pretty much on your own. No bike registration system.	10/27/2014 3:26 PM
27	the only places to lock bicycles are generally the traffic signs on the sidewalk and the spots at the library.	10/27/2014 2:54 PM
28	Wish there were more bike racks throughout Cambridgeport. I bring mine up and down my stairs everyday to come inside because I know I'm not supposed to lock it to the parking signs, and there aren't many bike racks available.	10/27/2014 11:14 AM
29	there aren't that many bikes parked on the street, and I don't know if there would be even if there were a place to park them - maybe up by central	10/27/2014 10:59 AM
30	Not that many specific bike racks or signs to lock to.	10/27/2014 10:49 AM
31	there are no bike racks. just street signs.	10/27/2014 10:41 AM
32	I don't leave my bike on the street.	10/27/2014 10:32 AM
33	I don't need to park there...I typically pass the same parked bikes, week after week.	10/27/2014 10:32 AM
34	A few neighbors have complained about my chaining my bike to the signpost in front of their (and my) houses, but now we have a bike post directly in front of my house, so I don't need to use the signpost anymore.	10/27/2014 10:02 AM
35	Street signs are the only places to park and lock a bike.	10/27/2014 9:34 AM
36	Not enough dedicate bike locking spots. There is usually a pole you can lock bike to.	10/27/2014 9:25 AM
37	corner of putnam and pearl	10/27/2014 9:20 AM
38	Use Hubway. Would love another location on Pearl	10/27/2014 8:54 AM
39	I don't generally park my bike on pearl. I park it at my house	10/27/2014 7:37 AM
40	I find biking too scary/dangerous in the city	10/27/2014 6:59 AM
41	I bring my bike inside.	10/27/2014 6:54 AM
42	Park at home	10/27/2014 6:32 AM
43	There are very few designated bike racks along Pearl (other than at the Central Sq Library), so I usually end up locking to a signpost which is less than ideal.	10/27/2014 12:47 AM
44	Also there is a LOT of theft of both full bikes and bike parts (wheels/other) while parked on sidewalks. People don't always report it to police because they don't think it will help. Will police do anything??	10/26/2014 11:40 PM

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45	I park my bike in my yard, not applicable	10/26/2014 9:30 PM
46	You must be kidding. There is no place to park a bike on Pearl St.	10/26/2014 9:02 PM
47	library	10/26/2014 8:19 PM
48	I usually park it at my house. But bike parking on Pearl itself isn't really advisable given the narrow sidewalks.	10/26/2014 10:39 AM
49	I keep my bike inside.	10/25/2014 12:18 PM
50	People who live here park there bikes on their property and visitors have ample room. It could be better I suppose, but it is not a major crisis. The destinations for visitors near Pearl (such as Dana Park or Peral St. Library have their own parking for bikes which is great. For friends visiting friends - side yards signs and fences can handle current capacity.	10/25/2014 11:36 AM
51	I don't park on Pearl The street sign poles are the only option	10/25/2014 8:06 AM
52	I cannot recall ever needing to park my bike on Pearl Street, though I ride along Pearl Street on my bike often.	10/25/2014 7:43 AM
53	Attractive bike posts are much better than people using street sign poles.	10/24/2014 5:25 PM
54	Near my condominium -- corner Putnam and Pearl -- bicycles oftentimes park at the only available places, which are street signs. This causes problems with accessibility, e.g. when putting out trash. It would be better to add more bike parking on the wide sidewalk in front of 273 Pearl.	10/24/2014 2:36 PM
55	People locking bikes to street signs makes it difficult for people to exit cars. I have this problem by the street sign on Pearl directly across from Valentine, but I'm sure it's problematic elsewhere as well.	10/23/2014 8:44 PM
56	Between Mass. Ave. and Franklin St.	10/22/2014 9:25 PM
57	But I don't like it when people lock their bikes to the signs, which they have, and then I can't open my car door on the sidewalk side when I park because a bike is in my way.....	10/22/2014 4:55 PM
58	if street signs count as parking.	10/22/2014 4:43 PM
59	I would be very surprised to learn that the people that park their bikes have a problem, as they seem to lock them to every pole they can find.	10/22/2014 3:59 PM
60	The only challenge is that people who own a bike will lock it up to a pole and leave it there for four months without touching it. Again they do not pay for a parking permit on their vehicle and should not be allowed to stay in a spot for four months without moving. When they do that they block the way so people can not get in or out of their cars.	10/22/2014 3:34 PM
61	Bicycles are stolen on regular basis on Pearl Street.	10/22/2014 1:48 PM
62	Maybe some more bike-parking fixtures between Auburn and William St., near Baraka Cafe and nearby shops.	10/22/2014 1:26 PM
63	I park my bike inside my house so it won't get stolen. The City should do much more to provide bike lock posts so that bikers don't always have to use the parking sign posts. Between trees and parking posts, it makes for an obstacle course getting in and out of a car when there is no clear space immediately adjacent to parking lane on the sidewalk.	10/22/2014 12:14 PM

Q11 Do your household own (a) car(s)? If yes, how many?

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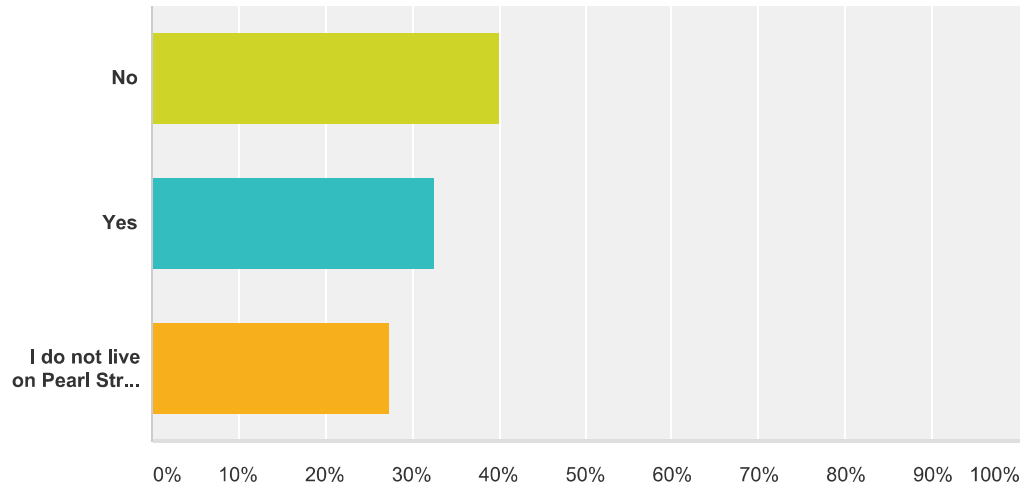


Answer Choices	Responses
No	17.63% 55
Yes, 1	54.81% 171
Yes, 2	25.32% 79
Yes, 3	1.28% 4
Yes, 4 or more	0.96% 3
Total	312

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Q12 If you live on Pearl Street or on one of the side streets off of Pearl, do you have a driveway or other private parking space for your car(s)?

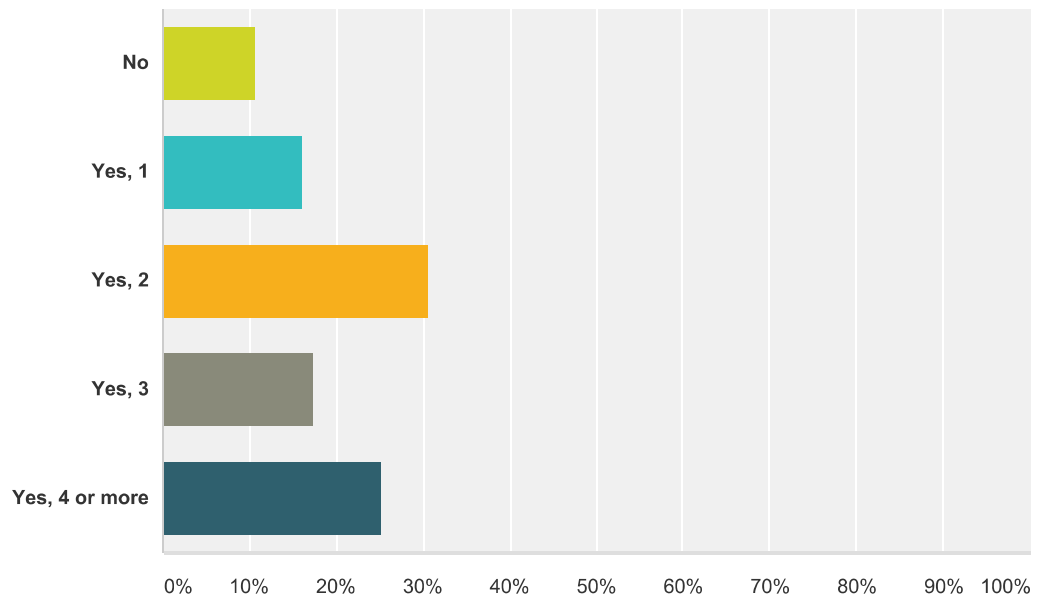
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Answer Choices	Responses
No	40.13% 122
Yes	32.57% 99
I do not live on Pearl Street or on its side streets	27.30% 83
Total	304

Q13 Does your household own (a) bike(s)? If yes, how many?

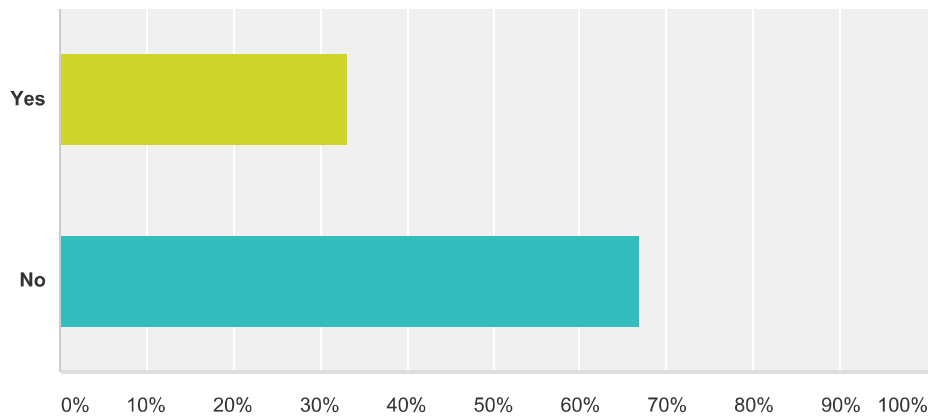
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Answer Choices	Responses	
No	10.65%	33
Yes, 1	16.13%	50
Yes, 2	30.65%	95
Yes, 3	17.42%	54
Yes, 4 or more	25.16%	78
Total		310

Q14 Do you have children under age 18 that live in your home?

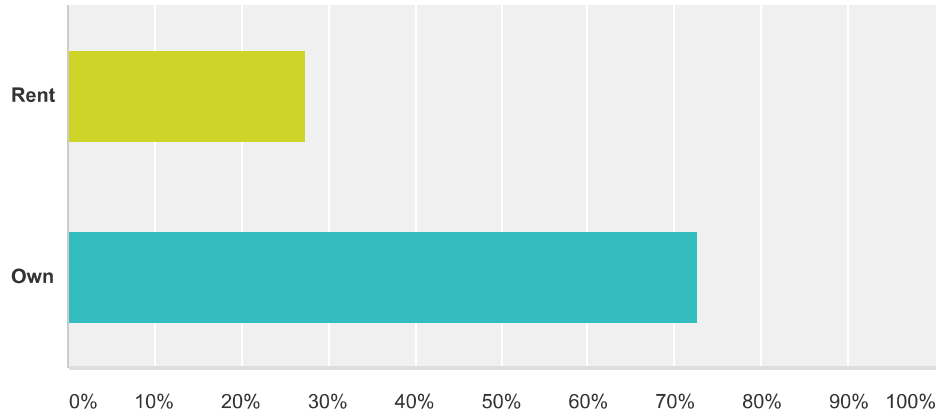
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Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	33.23% 103
No	66.77% 207
Total	310

Q15 Do you rent or own your home?

Answered: 311 Skipped: 21



Answer Choices	Responses	
Rent	27.33%	85
Own	72.67%	226
Total		311

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Q16 What do you LIKE about Pearl Street?

Answered: 241 Skipped: 91

#	Responses	Date
1	That I can park near my house. Do NOT take away on street parking	11/9/2014 12:44 PM
2	everything	11/8/2014 6:49 PM
3	Trees. Cool scenery. Slow traffic most of day.	11/8/2014 5:31 PM
4	It's pretty	11/8/2014 12:26 PM
5	It has interesting businesses, houses and yards that make it nice to walk on. I frequently see other neighborhood users when I'm on Pearl Street.	11/8/2014 11:47 AM
6	It's compact--the scale is especially nice. If cars are not present, its pleasant to ride on and the short crossing distance is easy for me when I'm walking.	11/8/2014 10:02 AM
7	It's a great neighborhood.	11/7/2014 7:41 PM
8	Wonderful neighbors, attractive homes, diverse and friendly community.	11/7/2014 4:58 PM
9	Its trees and its brick sidewalk,	11/7/2014 12:42 PM
10	neighborhood feel	11/7/2014 12:23 PM
11	It is a good connection (spine) through Cambridgeport. Good connection for pedestrians or wrong-way cyclists into Central Square.	11/7/2014 11:05 AM
12	Central location.	11/7/2014 10:57 AM
13	It's an attractive streetscape	11/7/2014 10:43 AM
14	Less motor traffic than parallel streets.	11/7/2014 10:30 AM
15	It is relatively quiet and safe at all hours.	11/7/2014 8:54 AM
16	Still has a residential look. Small scale buildings with greenery.	11/7/2014 8:18 AM
17	calm residential street which provides a direct shot from Central Square to Mem Drive.	11/6/2014 11:34 PM
18	Its less busy than Magazine St, so it makes a better bike route.	11/6/2014 9:36 PM
19	Great way from Central Square or the rest of Cambridge through to the BU Bridge.	11/6/2014 7:59 PM
20	It's neighborhoodly feel.	11/6/2014 7:56 PM
21	Useful for getting to places I go to a lot	11/6/2014 7:34 PM
22	The library is there! Slow traffic	11/6/2014 6:24 PM
23	it's less hectic than Western Ave (at least until the cycletrack on Western is finished), but I generally prefer Sidney, which has a dedicated bike lane	11/6/2014 5:54 PM
24	Interesting houses and gardens	11/6/2014 5:43 PM
25	I like its residential feel and potential!	11/6/2014 3:00 PM
26	I neither "like" nor "dislike" Pearl St. I like Cambridgeport and therefore put up with narrow streets and not much parking.	11/6/2014 2:31 PM
27	Small scale neighborhood feel	11/6/2014 10:46 AM
28	pedestrian friendly, peoples gardens,	11/6/2014 10:17 AM
29	I've never had to sit in traffic. The traffic light at Putnam is never backed up more than about half a block. Parking availability is good except during street cleaning or snow	11/6/2014 7:30 AM

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30	Very neighborly	11/6/2014 7:20 AM
31	lots of sidewalk foot traffic, knowing neighbors because they walk, walking dogs, good access toward river, not much trouble finding parking for guests	11/5/2014 10:47 PM
32	Proximity to many things, including the Red Line and the Pike. Proximity to green space and playgrounds.	11/5/2014 8:12 PM
33	One way street. Like tree-lined parts. Would like brick sidewalks.	11/5/2014 7:32 PM
34	Convenience for all/most. There seem to be a fair amount of trees, so shade available.	11/5/2014 7:09 PM
35	Library, my office on Pearl St. is close to my home in Central Sq., a great alternative to Western Ave. and Magazine St.	11/5/2014 1:06 PM
36	I like the residential feel of Pearl street and that while there is adequate parking it does not feel cramped. I fear that if parking is reduced on this street, it would create a crunch on side streets, but also increase both congestion and presence of idling cars in the neighborhood that would be circling for spaces, ultimately having a negative impact to air quality. If a reduction in parking is proposed, I would request the city perform a cumulative effects analysis to understand how if the same number of cars are still owned in the neighborhood, how the air quality would be impacted by creating increased competition for parking.	11/5/2014 12:54 PM
37	Proximity to Mass Ave and to Boston. Mix of people and property styles.	11/5/2014 10:02 AM
38	I like that there are so many pedestrians who use Pearl Street - myself included.	11/4/2014 6:19 PM
39	the residential character from Franklin to Granite. and that the houses are close to the street - gives it both an urban and neighborly feel. the road is narrow, which keeps cars and buses moving at a reasonable pace.	11/4/2014 5:55 PM
40	Nice street nice gardens nice change from commercial to residential	11/4/2014 1:43 PM
41	I like the scale of the street.	11/3/2014 7:19 PM
42	There's nothing too remarkable about it, but I like the houses. I walk the street often.	11/2/2014 2:09 PM
43	Shady / tree lined, mostly residential w surprising gems like art gallery @ Putnam, North African restaurant neat Cottage, artists on display for open studios, bus / school bus stops, easy access to children's parks	11/1/2014 4:22 PM
44	It's super pretty and pleasant. I very much enjoy walking down it.	11/1/2014 3:07 PM
45	The narrow car lane acts as natural traffic calming.	11/1/2014 2:47 PM
46	It provides direct access to and from Central Square, and it is the only legal exit pathway from our driveway on Glenwood.	11/1/2014 12:30 PM
47	It's less congested than Magazine St. Our house is on the corner of Magazine/Glenwood.	10/31/2014 8:05 PM
48	One way traffic, lots of parking	10/31/2014 12:38 PM
49	it's one way, making it generally a safer, faster way to get to my house than Magazine st which we live off of	10/31/2014 12:29 PM
50	Generally quiet.	10/31/2014 11:23 AM
51	I LOVE THAT PEARL ST. IS A REAL NEIGHBORHOOD WITH MUCH DIVERSITY. I HAVE LIVED HERE FOR 37 YEARS AND HAVE RAISED MY CHILDREN HERE. I LOVE MY NEIGHBORS AND THE FACT THAT THERE ARE STILL SMALL INDEPENDENTLY OWNED BUSINESSES. I ACTUALLY AM A LOCAL BUSINESS OWNER AM INVESTED IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD.	10/30/2014 10:49 PM
52	Beautiful houses, relatively calm, nice people.	10/30/2014 3:37 PM
53	Pleasant and convenient way to travel slowly through the neighborhood.	10/30/2014 1:39 PM
54	Nice to walk and easy access to Boston Bridge.	10/30/2014 12:32 PM
55	Walking and seeing neighbors. Linden trees in summer.	10/30/2014 7:46 AM
56	Mostly convenient way to get into Cambridgeport and to the Morse school. The 47 bus is nice option and we should keep it running on Pearl.	10/29/2014 1:25 PM
57	It is a lovely neighborhood street that is being encroached on by traffic. It needs help, but not enough help to end up being a major thoroughfare to River Street.	10/29/2014 1:13 PM
58	Direct most of the way to river, tree lined	10/29/2014 2:39 AM

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59	Quiet street with lots of residential properties	10/28/2014 11:54 PM
60	the variety	10/28/2014 9:37 PM
61	nice scale, good amount of trees lower down	10/28/2014 9:08 PM
62	easy access to central square.	10/28/2014 5:54 PM
63	It is a beautiful street, and cuts the angle of the grid, making my commute slightly shorter. It also avoids the craziness of central square	10/28/2014 5:38 PM
64	Pleasant mix of architecture, lots of other pedestrians, nice scale of buildings	10/28/2014 4:27 PM
65	I like living on Pearl St. for its general location to areas of town I frequent (parks, laundry, groceries).	10/28/2014 4:03 PM
66	one way street is safer. It is a direct route from Central.	10/28/2014 3:44 PM
67	i like that it is one way	10/28/2014 3:32 PM
68	Good pedestrian sidewalks.	10/28/2014 3:28 PM
69	I grew up in the neighborhood and a lot of the families that I grew up with are still in the neighborhood.	10/28/2014 3:14 PM
70	small, slow speeds, functions as a yield street for bikes/cars, mixed use in some spaces	10/28/2014 3:10 PM
71	Community, generally well maintained	10/28/2014 1:36 PM
72	It is paved. It has sidewalks on both sides. It connects me to Central Square, the library, the river and the BU bridge.	10/28/2014 12:02 PM
73	Convenient, generally quiet. The part between Putnam and Granite is quite pretty	10/28/2014 10:57 AM
74	Close to Central Square, close to the river, quiet neighborhood for being in the city.	10/28/2014 9:55 AM
75	One way; relatively quiet at night	10/28/2014 9:46 AM
76	its great - I bike on it drive on it and walk on it with my family my kids ride their bikes on the sidewalk all the way to morse school it is a good balance of utility and comfort the many one way side streets make it safer for biking and walking with kids	10/28/2014 9:42 AM
77	Residential feel.	10/28/2014 9:36 AM
78	Charming.	10/28/2014 9:33 AM
79	I like the amount of parking it provides.	10/28/2014 9:21 AM
80	The people are quite friendly, and it has good variation in its ethnic and age composition. Furthermore, it feels safe!	10/28/2014 9:16 AM
81	I like the larger, older trees on the street - much of it is nicely shaded.	10/28/2014 9:15 AM
82	so pretty	10/28/2014 8:48 AM
83	Path from our place to the river and Central Square. Always lots of people walking up and down it. Like being able to get the 47 bus.	10/28/2014 8:45 AM
84	Great houses, straight, flat, trees	10/28/2014 8:03 AM
85	Neighborhood, residential scale, not too wide, not too much traffic	10/28/2014 7:17 AM
86	Diverse, lively, effective at getting to the river efficiently.	10/28/2014 7:10 AM
87	Trees, cute houses, relatively little traffic	10/27/2014 11:40 PM
88	I find that cars are usually respectful with their speed. I don't mind sharing the rode with drivers as a cyclist on Pearl street. I actually like the cobbled/brick sidewalk areas because they add charm, but understandably they're more difficult to navigate than concrete.	10/27/2014 11:37 PM
89	Easy access to transportation, shopping, library, and other resources such as the dance complex.	10/27/2014 11:09 PM
90	Access to central square and magazine beach area	10/27/2014 9:11 PM
91	It's a lovely street with great potential to be beautiful.	10/27/2014 9:08 PM

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92	Love that it is one-way. Love it's proximity to Central Square. Love the ease of parking 5 -6 blocks outside of Central Square.	10/27/2014 8:16 PM
93	Knowing my neighbors, small-town feeling.	10/27/2014 8:08 PM
94	The people that live there	10/27/2014 7:40 PM
95	It's good for walking.	10/27/2014 6:59 PM
96	I like that it is one way.	10/27/2014 6:23 PM
97	It is a nice Street to walk on; it has an interesting variety of homes and enough people presence to feel safe at almost any hour. There are enough trees to feel green although more are welcome.	10/27/2014 5:33 PM
98	I like that it is a narrow street. Amusingly, it is actually quite wide, but it is made narrow by cars parked on both sides. The narrowness is great for traffic calming, slowing cars down. However the parked cars are dangerous for cyclists, and in general the narrowness combined with cars and especially buses, can make it unpleasant and dangerous for some cyclists, especially the very young and very old.	10/27/2014 5:02 PM
99	easy access from mass ave., quick access to most of cport, quirky houses and restaurants	10/27/2014 4:51 PM
100	plenty of parking.	10/27/2014 4:39 PM
101	The mix of residence and business as you walk towards Mass Ave.	10/27/2014 4:28 PM
102	I use it as an alternative to biking down Magazine. I find it easier because it's one way & there's less to watch out for.	10/27/2014 4:25 PM
103	The name?	10/27/2014 4:22 PM
104	Sidewalks, plenty of parking, quiet (except when bus comes by), plenty of nice trees.	10/27/2014 4:10 PM
105	Mostly leafy, residential.	10/27/2014 3:54 PM
106	Spme nice houses, trees, parks nearby.	10/27/2014 3:47 PM
107	Generally safe & reasonably quiet. Convenient to T & access to Boston.	10/27/2014 3:46 PM
108	narrow	10/27/2014 3:46 PM
109	Quiet street, pleasant neighbors, interesting buildings. Nice streetscape. None of those stoopid dangerous bump outs!	10/27/2014 3:38 PM
110	Traffic slowed by the narrow width. Good connecting street. Nice trees toward the river.	10/27/2014 3:21 PM
111	It connects the neighborhood to Mass Ave	10/27/2014 3:03 PM
112	It's a quiet, scenic street.	10/27/2014 2:51 PM
113	I like the fact that it is one way. I've discovered that walking on one way streets, even busy ones, is a nicer walking experience. And those times, I use a ZipCar, Pearl Street is a convenient way to get across the BU Bridge.	10/27/2014 2:41 PM
114	Traffic moves at a good pace.	10/27/2014 2:41 PM
115	Cute homes	10/27/2014 2:29 PM
116	I like all the trees. And the neighbor feel of the street, especially toward Granite Street.	10/27/2014 1:10 PM
117	I especially like its name. I do like its narrowness. I like the coherence of the street: with the exception of the unfortunate library/parking garage building (which disrespects the housing on the other side of Pearl St), the urban fabric has hardly been torn up. I like the way the housing type & density gradually changes as you go from Central Square to the Morse School.	10/27/2014 12:54 PM
118	The fun feel of the neighborhood. That there are only a few stop signs/lights between Mass Ave and Granite (as a biker and a driver). That the bus (47) goes down that way (although it is way too loud when it rounds the corner, barrels onto Putnam, and races to make the light at Magazine. It wakes me up late at night and early in the morning). That the library is there. That there are some restaurants mixed in (at least towards Green Street). That it is a safe way for me to walk home because it generally has some street and pedestrian traffic at most hours.	10/27/2014 11:27 AM
119	It makes it easy to access the Central Square library, the side streets off of it, the parks near it, and the Morse School, and the river.	10/27/2014 11:11 AM

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120	direct access from central, that it's one way, the sidewalks are in good shape, many commuters walking so it feels safe, not too many stop signs so it's totally convenient to get home from Central Square	10/27/2014 11:02 AM
121	Residential. Fairly quiet.	10/27/2014 10:57 AM
122	it's a one-way. baraka is located there.	10/27/2014 10:43 AM
123	Not too wide, takes me where I want to go	10/27/2014 10:38 AM
124	Reasonably quiet single lane street.	10/27/2014 10:34 AM
125	It's a convenient one-way path to the BU bridge approach.	10/27/2014 10:34 AM
126	I love the neighborhood, so it's an extension of that love! I like the trees.	10/27/2014 10:16 AM
127	I LIKE that it is one-way. I like that it has sidewalks on both sides, and ample on-street parking. I love the we have a bike post outside my house! I like the lot size and zoning - just enough density, still room for parks and green space and trees.	10/27/2014 10:10 AM
128	It's a direct route from our home to my children's school	10/27/2014 9:56 AM
129	It's a direct route between Central Sq and Granite St (and the river). It's an easy pedestrian commute to the Central Sq T.	10/27/2014 9:46 AM
130	Nice neighborhood with good neighbors.	10/27/2014 9:46 AM
131	I like that there are so many people milling around. Walking to and from Central Square. Enjoying our public spaces.	10/27/2014 9:29 AM
132	It's one way, and quieter than Magazine.	10/27/2014 9:26 AM
133	It's a one-way street	10/27/2014 9:01 AM
134	It's nice to walk up by myself because it's so shaded with trees!	10/27/2014 8:55 AM
135	Easy to travel down either walking or driving or taking the bus. It's straight with no curb extensions or raised places. Those are awful for walking, biking and driving.	10/27/2014 7:58 AM
136	Convenient location. Nice neighborhood feel.	10/27/2014 7:43 AM
137	It's quiet and a nicer street to walk on in neighborhood (walking to or from Central Sq)	10/27/2014 7:01 AM
138	Trees and sidewalks	10/27/2014 6:59 AM
139	One way, lot of houses being rehabbed so it is looking prettier	10/27/2014 6:34 AM
140	It's often a convenient route from Central Sq to my home/neighborhood. The library, basswood trees, Baraka Cafe, the free table, Gallery 263.	10/27/2014 1:10 AM
141	Residential aspect with mostly small houses. One way. One stop along length. Shade along most stretches.	10/26/2014 11:47 PM
142	It's cozy. Not excessive amounts of traffic.	10/26/2014 11:22 PM
143	It provides a way to get to my home on Magazine Street from Central Square without using Western Avenue, and it provides a way to get to Brookline Street from my garage on Glenwood Avenue.	10/26/2014 11:17 PM
144	residential, tree lined	10/26/2014 11:17 PM
145	i just love it. it's totally residential with tons of character. the trees and houses and rowhouses and all are so interesting and variable. the small businesses are great. i love the combination of old and new, gardens and urban style buildings. please do not homogenize this special street into some Plan. it is a place where people live and you should respect that. what you SHOULD be paying attention to is the creepiness of nighttime central square. CLEAR deficit of social services combined with businesses attracting wrong crowd. i gave up walking there at night. huge loss. janet halley, condo owner on brookline st.	10/26/2014 11:13 PM
146	Lots of parking (down toward the Memorial Drive end) except for snow emergencies/street cleaning days. Speed of traffic is generally low enough that I can ride down the middle, keep an eye out for cars and not annoy drivers but also not get passed unsafely. (Note, I ride pretty close to the speed limit, though; that may not be a strategy that works for all bikes.)	10/26/2014 10:47 PM
147	It is a direct route from my home to my work at BU.	10/26/2014 10:32 PM
148	Convenient connection to services and transit in Central Square	10/26/2014 10:04 PM

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149	Direct access to BU bridge from Central Sq, Neighborly feel, Many pedestrians use it.	10/26/2014 9:55 PM
150	Seeing our friends and neighbors walking up and down the street; Pearl Street has a very friendly and convivial pedestrian atmosphere with lots of foot traffic. The bus service is very convenient for our elderly parents. Dana Park is a gem. Generally pretty decent for parking.	10/26/2014 9:50 PM
151	It's quieter than Magazine, and it reminds me of my childhood- going to school at the old convent building. The narrow sidewalks are nice in the afternoon during daylight hours or on a Saturday when you don't want the hassle and bussle of Magazine Street. Pearl St. should stay pedestrian friendly!	10/26/2014 9:50 PM
152	Pearl Street is well-traveled by pedestrians, so if I am walking, I do not feel isolated, like I do on Brookline, which is usually on busy around commute to and from work hours. I like the neighborhood feel - people are nice, the free table, that there is a library, a convenience store, and a bus route.	10/26/2014 9:41 PM
153	Proximity to Central Square, Boston and easy transportation access – walking, biking, transit.	10/26/2014 9:32 PM
154	Convenient route back to my home from Mass ave.	10/26/2014 9:19 PM
155	Like??	10/26/2014 9:07 PM
156	Relatively quiet compared to Brookline and Magazine	10/26/2014 8:55 PM
157	I like that it does not go through to the river. i like that the bus does not go below Putnam. I like that people and kids walk it.	10/26/2014 8:31 PM
158	It's a pretty street.	10/26/2014 8:04 PM
159	The shops. The approach to Massachusetts Avenue, The Library Branch, and the few stores.	10/26/2014 7:38 PM
160	I like the neighborhood. Pearl St is not my favorite street in lower Cambridgeport	10/26/2014 7:27 PM
161	Beautiful, quiet.	10/26/2014 5:10 PM
162	I like that it is one-way.	10/26/2014 1:38 PM
163	So neighborhoody!	10/26/2014 11:20 AM
164	It's narrow, and for the most part, drivers keep to cycling speed. The sidewalks are mostly pleasant (if narrow) and the streetscape is varied.	10/26/2014 10:50 AM
165	Quaint and varied in scale and appearance. Like that there is commercial activity. Wish there were more neighborhood stores. Love art gallery at Putnam and Baraka Cafe. Love trees but sidewalks get overgrown. New street lights seem to work - less bright in our house.	10/26/2014 10:34 AM
166	Not much. Brookline is much nicer, Sidney is much nicer, the side streets are much nicer. It needs to upgrade to fit the developing neighborhood toward MIT	10/25/2014 6:17 PM
167	friendly neighbors, like the "free table", a lot to look at as walk down the street, lively.	10/25/2014 5:49 PM
168	It is a nice, quiet place to walk along or to take a jog.	10/25/2014 5:17 PM
169	Housing is nice. Or most of it. The free table. Friendliness	10/25/2014 4:18 PM
170	It is the only access to my street! So I really like that... I walk on the street frequently and the variety of house types, the trees, the landscaping/gardens are all very pleasant. It is especially nice in the spring when trees are blooming. I like the free table; I like the retail stores (Pearl St Market, restaurant, car repair, laundromat).	10/25/2014 4:05 PM
171	It is reasonably quiet and well maintained. There is plenty of parking.	10/25/2014 12:20 PM
172	Love the parks, the library, love that it is NOT a busy through street. You see dozens of baby strollers on the street every day so it is a comfy place for families to be outdoors.	10/25/2014 11:42 AM
173	It's a through street that takes me where I want to go! Even though there is a fair amount of traffic, it's usually pretty calm. Yes, it's very narrow..and I am usually using Pearl Street as a bicyclist. But again, I think that narrowness calms traffic (and I don't mind slowly passing cyclists or waiting when I am a driver)	10/25/2014 10:24 AM
174	Areas with trees	10/25/2014 9:40 AM
175	I like Cambridgeport. It's like a small town and Pearl Street is like that.	10/25/2014 9:27 AM
176	No comment	10/25/2014 8:55 AM

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177	Residential character, intimate scale. Works best for those on foot.	10/25/2014 8:35 AM
178	It is my direct route to most places I like riding my bike when the traffic is light I love that it is a very busy street with a lot of pedestrians I actually live the intersection at mass ave entering pearl street, I always find it remarkably easy to make the left turn to enter from mass ave (bike or car) and it is always pretty easy to cross because there are cross walks I think it works better than lights	10/25/2014 8:16 AM
179	Pearl Street seems like a normal street in this neighborhood—I have no particular "like."	10/25/2014 7:45 AM
180	Lots of charming houses. Definite neighborhood feel.	10/25/2014 7:40 AM
181	All the pedestrian foot traffic. It makes the neighborhood both friendlier and safer.	10/25/2014 7:26 AM
182	Gardens, no very tall buildings	10/24/2014 10:56 PM
183	It's a main neighborhood street but not too too busy. I like that it has bus transportation.	10/24/2014 9:07 PM
184	Varied architecture.	10/24/2014 7:49 PM
185	Residential part feels safe enough and pleasant to walk through.	10/24/2014 7:03 PM
186	i like the library that it on it, and how easy it is to bike down it to get to trader joe's	10/24/2014 6:22 PM
187	Trees, narrow sidewalks, residential neighborhood. Quiet.	10/24/2014 6:21 PM
188	I like the end near Granite (after Putnam) the sidewalks seem wider and generally better taken care of.	10/24/2014 5:46 PM
189	The houses	10/24/2014 5:32 PM
190	it's a peaceful residential street with good landscaping and interesting gardens. It's a friendly neighborhood where many people greet each other and are friendly.	10/24/2014 5:00 PM
191	It's narrow and pleasant to walk on.	10/24/2014 3:06 PM
192	-- It's a through-street (which makes my house easily accessible).	10/24/2014 3:01 PM
193	I like that it's narrow. It discourages speeding	10/24/2014 2:38 PM
194	The old architecture.	10/24/2014 2:26 PM
195	Residential, generally quiet street. One way makes it better for both walking and driving than Magazine.	10/24/2014 2:23 PM
196	It is relatively quiet and very neighborly.	10/24/2014 2:15 PM
197	Relative ease of parking, easy traffic flow	10/23/2014 8:49 PM
198	it's narrow so people don't tend to drive so fast deeper in the port (below william) it's a really nice street w/ good side walks and trees	10/23/2014 7:21 PM
199	The Library, the park and the neighborhood feeling	10/23/2014 5:37 PM
200	Proximity to Central Square	10/23/2014 5:25 PM
201	It is conveniently located to many great restaurants, public transportation, etc.	10/23/2014 5:11 PM
202	I like that it is well plowed in the snow. It seems safe. People generally try to keep their property looking nice.	10/23/2014 4:57 PM
203	Direct link from Mass Ave (Central Square) to home on Granite	10/23/2014 2:41 PM
204	Relatively quiet, usually places to park	10/23/2014 1:02 PM
205	I like that it has access to public transportation	10/23/2014 11:10 AM
206	There is less traffic on Pearl Street than on Magazine Street when going "down" from Mass Av to Cambridgeport.	10/23/2014 10:03 AM
207	It's a great neighborhood, a lot of kids, it's pretty, in terms of the variety of houses	10/23/2014 9:52 AM
208	Convenient to Central Sq, excellent schools, and red line	10/23/2014 9:47 AM
209	Lively, close to central sq, the library	10/23/2014 9:33 AM
210	The old trees	10/23/2014 8:30 AM

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211	There are few stop signs or lights so I get through quickly	10/23/2014 8:06 AM
212	Such an interesting variety of houses and shops--large single families, old soap workers' cottages, galleries, restaurants and multi-family homes. They all make for an interesting variety of people and cultures in the 'hood. A street that runs from Central Square to the River has to run the gamut!	10/23/2014 6:57 AM
213	It's pretty, has both residences and businesses, it's a hub and thruway. Available parking - please don't turn this into another Cambridge neighborhood with limited parking.	10/22/2014 10:43 PM
214	It's generally quiet and offers easy access to Memorial Dr. and the river.	10/22/2014 9:33 PM
215	It's quiet, and generally a pleasant part of a pleasant neighborhood.	10/22/2014 9:07 PM
216	The closeness to both the BU bridge and central square	10/22/2014 8:20 PM
217	It's usually easy enough to park except during street cleaning and/or snow emergencies. If we moved street cleaning to start at 9am instead of 8am, that would help. Easy street to drive down. It's an easy street to cross. There are a lot of trees. No buses after Putnam Ave (we live past Putnam ave). It's not too wide or busy. I like that no big trucks are permitted on it. It's a very residential street.	10/22/2014 8:14 PM
218	Easy transit through Cambridgeport to the BU bridge up Pearl. I generally walk up Magazine when headed to the river.	10/22/2014 8:02 PM
219	One-way Narrow (not a highway) Stop signs	10/22/2014 7:57 PM
220	Relatively traffic-free. A decent walk on the part of the road toward Granite.	10/22/2014 7:47 PM
221	Very pretty-- nicest way to walk from the bridge to Central. Always see weird things (cats on a leash, so many instances of surprise banjo playing). Interesting architectural details.	10/22/2014 6:49 PM
222	Nice houses, friendly and quiet. parks	10/22/2014 6:06 PM
223	Love the brick sidewalks. Love that I can park on either side of the street. Love the mature trees. Love that it is a one way street.	10/22/2014 5:43 PM
224	Generally quiet in non-traffic parts of the day. Lots of trees and nice homes.	10/22/2014 5:32 PM
225	Neighborhood feel, interesting and quirky architecture, great place to take a walk during nice weather, feels quieter than Brookline St.	10/22/2014 5:23 PM
226	Nice galary	10/22/2014 5:10 PM
227	I like Pearl Street a lot actually. I find it somewhat scenic and quiet most of the time.	10/22/2014 5:03 PM
228	The new lights are a big improvement, good lighting is very important for safety.	10/22/2014 4:50 PM
229	a good number of stop signs, slowing traffic to an appropriate speed for a dense neighborhood without causing traffic snarls.	10/22/2014 4:39 PM
230	It's a nice community street quiet too	10/22/2014 4:34 PM
231	I have lived here all my life, so I know nothing else, so my response is I like everything about Pearl St.	10/22/2014 4:03 PM
232	I like the convenience. It's a pretty street with a lot of different style houses.	10/22/2014 3:51 PM
233	I like the way it is now. It is easy to navigate. There are no raised crosswalks, except for the one at the end of the street, and there is parking on both sides of the street.	10/22/2014 3:38 PM
234	it leads from Mass Ave to the river and it is residential but it is dangerous cuz so many bike riders use it and they don't obey stop signs (esp coming from one of the side streets).	10/22/2014 3:19 PM
235	The fact that the Public Library is located on Pearl Street and that the Staff is really, really NICE!	10/22/2014 1:51 PM
236	Cozy, shaded, picturesque, enjoy use of MBTA 47 bus using it en route to my house.	10/22/2014 1:31 PM
237	Love that it's mixed use and has a library, a gallery, a spa, a school (Farr Academy) a restaurant, etc. I like its residential scale. I LOVE the new LED street lights. I can finally leave my blinds cracked open at night to get some fresh air without being flooded with light.	10/22/2014 12:32 PM
238	it is one way	10/22/2014 12:30 PM
239	It's a convenient way to get from Mass Ave to Trader Joe's and Whole Foods.	10/22/2014 11:10 AM

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240	Lots of trees and nice houses, sidewalks are generally good.	10/21/2014 8:46 PM
241	direct access from central square to morse school, river	10/21/2014 4:16 PM

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Q17 What do you DISLIKE about Pearl Street?

Answered: 245 Skipped: 87

#	Responses	Date
1	nothing	11/8/2014 6:49 PM
2	Terrible surface. Lots of cracks bumps and pitholes.	11/8/2014 5:31 PM
3	It's narrow	11/8/2014 12:26 PM
4	I dislike the intersection of Pearl and Putnam. The light stays green on Pearl for a very long time, causing bikes and pedestrians going along Putnam to ignore the light and cars to be frustrated and therefore be less polite to bikes. The timing change is also odd - stays double red a long time as if it thinks it's set so pedestrians go first, but it actually isn't.	11/8/2014 11:47 AM
5	Uneven sidewalks that aren't wide enough. Cars go too fast.	11/8/2014 10:02 AM
6	I think some 47 bus drivers go way too fast.	11/7/2014 7:41 PM
7	Lack of trees and landscaping give it a dingy look in many spots. The roadway is so narrow and over-packed with parked cars that it feels unsafe for cyclists and drivers to share the road.	11/7/2014 4:58 PM
8	its concrete sidewalk and the buses	11/7/2014 12:42 PM
9	road surface	11/7/2014 12:23 PM
10	One way-only for bicyclists and no bicycle infrastructure at all. Narrow sidewalks and bad crosswalks. Bus cannot move efficiently. The street reads more like a parking lot than a street because of the high amount of parking all over.	11/7/2014 11:05 AM
11	Narrow and uncoordinated for mixed use, not enough trees.	11/7/2014 10:57 AM
12	It handles a lot of traffic that should probably be on Magazine St.	11/7/2014 10:43 AM
13	It could be much safer for biking	11/7/2014 8:54 AM
14	I would relocate the bus routes to another street. The buses are Extremely loud and really degrade the pedestrian experience. They also make it very difficult for cyclists to get around. The bus drivers almost never pull over to the curb.	11/7/2014 8:18 AM
15	Can be difficult for cars to pass me while I'm riding on my bike.	11/7/2014 1:03 AM
16	Its the kind of street where a bike has to take the lane though. If Cambridge wants to become an 8-80 city, this would have to change.	11/6/2014 9:36 PM
17	Pavement is super torn up. Dangerously narrow for cars and bikes.	11/6/2014 7:59 PM
18	The condition of the pavement.	11/6/2014 7:56 PM
19	Lots of potholes and construction	11/6/2014 7:34 PM
20	A bit uncomfortable to walk around at night (feels empty)	11/6/2014 6:24 PM
21	very narrow sometimes I feel stressed when on a bike	11/6/2014 5:43 PM
22	Narrowness, the lack of a bike lane, the ridiculous route taken by the bus (detouring over to Magazine street).	11/6/2014 5:33 PM
23	the condition of the road...and the sharing the road with cars when on my bike..	11/6/2014 5:14 PM
24	- Sketchy bits between Mass Ave and Auburn Street - How fast cars go between Putnam and Granite, when road seems to narrow and right next to the Morse School!! Seems like it's being used as a shortcut to get to the BU bridge	11/6/2014 3:00 PM
25	See above.	11/6/2014 2:31 PM

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26	1. Traffic backing up from the BU bridge. That intersection is a crazy disaster. 2. Traffic backing up from the crazy disaster intersection of Putnam & Western.	11/6/2014 10:46 AM
27	Sidewalks are too narrow for pedestrian traffic	11/6/2014 10:17 AM
28	Poor roads condition (potholes and bumps), some visibility issues, lack of a bike lane	11/6/2014 7:30 AM
29	poorly maintained, too narrow	11/6/2014 7:20 AM
30	large amount of auto traffic, speeding cars are a danger to all, especially children street doesn't drain properly everywhere, for instance in front of our house there is a perenial low point which catches leaf litter and becomes a stagnant rotten pool	11/5/2014 10:47 PM
31	Noise of buses making the announcements on loudspeaker. Litter all over. People not curbing their dogs or picking up their waste. Buses often go too fast and do not stop for people getting ready to cross in crosswalks. The mess when students move in and out.	11/5/2014 8:12 PM
32	Tricky parking with snow. Tricky navigation for cyclists.	11/5/2014 7:32 PM
33	The narrow width of the street, and the high number of parked cars on the street	11/5/2014 6:54 PM
34	Litter, noise of loitering in front of library.	11/5/2014 1:06 PM
35	Very little -	11/5/2014 12:54 PM
36	Some of the scruffy properties. Too many bus stops.	11/5/2014 10:02 AM
37	I dislike the speeding and dangerous attitudes of drivers on the street.	11/4/2014 6:19 PM
38	pearl st is a traffic nightmare at granite street at afternoon rush hour, more so when the red sox have a game.	11/4/2014 5:55 PM
39	I have no major complaints, but the road surface could use some work. It's challenging to avoid the bumps and holes on a bicycle and no be in the way of traffic.	11/2/2014 2:09 PM
40	Bike / car sharing - inconvenient for cars, does not feel safe for cycling	11/1/2014 4:22 PM
41	As mentioned in previous questions, it is very hard to bike down, as it is too narrow for a car to safely pass a biker. I take the lane, but drivers sometimes get aggressive with me when I do. The road is generally in poor condition, too, which makes biking a challenge.	11/1/2014 3:07 PM
42	Poor surfacing, no bike lane	11/1/2014 2:47 PM
43	Covered previously: road surface and narrow street with parking on both sides.	11/1/2014 12:30 PM
44	Not conducive to cycling, pavement is in bad shape	10/31/2014 12:38 PM
45	the narrowness and multiplicity of parked cars and lack of crosswalks	10/31/2014 12:29 PM
46	Cracked and uneven sidewalks.	10/31/2014 11:23 AM
47	THE LITTER...THAT I'M LWAYS CLEANING UP. I AM THE OLD LADY WHO IS OUT THERE SWEEPING THE SIDEWALK EVERY FRIDAY. THE POLLUTION FROM THE BUS'S AND CARS THAT MAKE EVERYTHING IN MY YARD COVERED WITH SOOT. I ALSO DISLIKE THE THE NOISE FROM TRAFFIC AND BUS'S. LIVING ON THE CORNER...I GET IT ALL... THE DRUNKS FROM THE BARS AND CLUBS IN CENTRAL SQ MAKE A LOT OF NOISE ON THE WEEKEND. I ALSO REALLY DISLIKE THE NEW LIGHTS THAT THE CITY IS INSTALLING. THE ARE WAY TOO BRIGHT.	10/30/2014 10:49 PM
48	Narrowness and blind spots.	10/30/2014 3:37 PM
49	Far too busy with auto and bus traffic, too narrow for safe bike travel.	10/30/2014 1:39 PM
50	Difficult to share road with bicycles.	10/30/2014 12:32 PM
51	Bicycling and driving. The fact that it's unsafe at night and we can't allow our kid to walk alone after 10pm.	10/30/2014 7:46 AM
52	Towards Granite, there are too many one way streets feeding into Pearl (Tufts, Glenwood, Henry streets). If you are stuck behind a garbage truck or there is bad traffic, there is no street that allows you to avoid this section of Pearl street at all. Drivers may be tempted to go down the wrong direction to avoid this traffic.	10/29/2014 1:25 PM
53	Everything I checked off above.	10/29/2014 1:13 PM
54	Potholes, narrow for bikes	10/29/2014 2:39 AM

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55	See 18	10/28/2014 11:54 PM
56	Poorly paved, poor road and sidewalk quality, not enough crosswalks	10/28/2014 11:28 PM
57	tree roots that make the sidewalk uneven	10/28/2014 9:37 PM
58	it is uncomfortable for biking, quite bad repair in places, difficult on snow days	10/28/2014 9:08 PM
59	difficult to see cars at side streets - get pulled out in front of (on my bike) all the time, especially streets on the right/west side	10/28/2014 8:15 PM
60	Noise. Trucks. Buses.	10/28/2014 5:54 PM
61	I'm always worried I'll get hit by a car on my bike.	10/28/2014 5:38 PM
62	See previous comments	10/28/2014 4:27 PM
63	I dislike the buses on Pearl St. The noise pollution is terrible, particularly at the intersection of Pearl and Putnam. The street itself feels unsafe as a result of the fast speed of traffic traveling on Pearl, and the bus route makes it a major thoroughway rather than a quieter residential neighborhood. It is difficult to bike on Pearl as a result of cars continually trying to drive by even if there is not enough space.	10/28/2014 4:03 PM
64	Lots of through traffic from Central square to BU bridge. Way too much speeding cars. Unfriendly for bike travel. Buses get stuck making turn onto Putnam. No room for buses when there is snow.	10/28/2014 3:44 PM
65	there are no traffic calming measures between pearl st and ma ave. people seem to drive the wrong way down the street often. there is no bike lane. the buses are very loud, especially when stopped at intersections	10/28/2014 3:32 PM
66	It's uncomfortable to bike, particularly with the bus traffic.	10/28/2014 3:28 PM
67	The congestion. Especially by the Morse School trying to get over the BU Bridge. Traffic backs up onto Pearl Street, You have 7 lanes of cars merging trying to get into one lane over the BU Bridge. Traffic backs up on Granite Street, which backs up to Pearl Street. Cars have no where to go. Especially when the red sox are playing.	10/28/2014 3:14 PM
68	narrow street makes sharing roads with bikes and cars scary - not baby carriage/wheelchair accessible throughout	10/28/2014 1:36 PM
69	The danger of biking or walking due to bad driving, bad parking, and bad behaviours of people trying to get to/from Central Square. Buses should not be on this road.	10/28/2014 12:02 PM
70	Inconsistent sidewalk (broken, rutty); industrial looking	10/28/2014 9:46 AM
71	blind spots - for cars turning on to pearl crosswalks where cars do not stop potholes cars that go too fast - I speculate that they are mostly people that dont live in neighborhood - on their way to memorial drive	10/28/2014 9:42 AM
72	Bursts of traffic as a major thoroughfare to Memorial Drive and BU bridge. Narrow roadway makes it difficult for bikes to share with cars. Cars get upset having to follow bikers but there really is not a lot of room to safely pass a bike.	10/28/2014 9:36 AM
73	Trash and rodents nearer to mass ave. Street cleaning combined w trash pick up on Fridays is so congested. Why not different days? Bus gets stuck a lot. Bus stops not adequately cleared of ice.	10/28/2014 9:33 AM
74	I dislike how fast the cars travel down pearl st.	10/28/2014 9:21 AM
75	The roadway itself is terrible.	10/28/2014 9:16 AM
76	Mostly that motorists seem to drive too fast between Central Sq. and Putnam Avenue. As a pedestrian, I feel like it's one of the more difficult streets to cross - there's a fair bit of auto traffic and it's not wary enough of pedestrians.	10/28/2014 9:15 AM
77	narrow sidewalks, aggressive drivers (especially bus drivers), traffic congestion	10/28/2014 8:48 AM
78	Too narrow for car to pass a bike.	10/28/2014 8:45 AM
79	Dirty, sidewalks in poor condition, lots of litter	10/28/2014 7:17 AM
80	Potholes, narrow, bus had issues passing in winter all the time, somewhat noisy, lots of foot traffic but virtually no trash receptacles.	10/28/2014 7:10 AM
81	Narrow, hard to bike; sidewalks are too narrow and uneven	10/27/2014 11:40 PM

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82	Other responses have commented on this.	10/27/2014 11:37 PM
83	Difficult to navigate on trash day. Noisy announcement and toiling on street cleaning mornings.	10/27/2014 11:09 PM
84	Sidewalks and speeding.	10/27/2014 9:15 PM
85	Very narrow and congested	10/27/2014 9:11 PM
86	Too much of it is allocated to motor vehicles.	10/27/2014 9:08 PM
87	This occasional speeding vehicles. The trash discarded, such as lottery tickets, empty bottles of whatever.	10/27/2014 8:16 PM
88	It feels unsafe to ride a bike because the street is narrow and you are constantly in danger of being doored. But we do it anyway because the bike is easier to park downtown and the best way to get through the long lines of traffic at rush hour. Very hard to find parking for visitors, especially at dinner time (when traffic office is closed). We have a large family but can only have one visitor permit.	10/27/2014 8:08 PM
89	It's never really bothered me	10/27/2014 7:40 PM
90	It's narrow for driving.	10/27/2014 6:59 PM
91	Too many commuters seem to use it to get to memorial drive.	10/27/2014 6:23 PM
92	It is unfriendly for bike riders, and many cares travel too fast.	10/27/2014 5:33 PM
93	too crowded, no protected cycle track, cars parked on the right hand side are a constant danger for cyclists.	10/27/2014 5:02 PM
94	the car/bike situation always feels uncomfortable, and the condition of the road is troublesome for a bike. the street also feels underlit in some areas	10/27/2014 4:51 PM
95	it is very loud, especially at night, the bus is loud and cars/motorcycles zooming out of Central Square at night, very loud.	10/27/2014 4:39 PM
96	Lack of bike lanes. Lack of trees.	10/27/2014 4:28 PM
97	It's a bit narrow with cars parked on both sides.	10/27/2014 4:25 PM
98	Bus stops do not have shelter; dangerous for cyclists and a little dangerous for pedestrians; parking on both sides of the street (should only be one one side for such a narrow street).	10/27/2014 4:22 PM
99	narrow sidewalks, terrible bicycling because the cars are hovering behind you	10/27/2014 4:18 PM
100	Uncomfortable for bikes, and they have no better option when traveling South West from Central Square. Trash on sidewalks, especially close to central square. No internet providers available besides Comcast.	10/27/2014 4:10 PM
101	Narrow street for the volume of traffic.	10/27/2014 3:54 PM
102	heavy traffic flow, road is damaged, blind corners. The way traffic turns onto it from Mass Ave is bad for both cars and pedestrians. There is often conflict between drivers. The stop sign at Pearl and Green (?) is a joke. Many cars just blow through it. The situation at Pearl and Green streets is not good for the Morse students. Drivers get impatient. AND: there is a huge problem with the 47 bus turning onto Putnam from Pearl. It does not have enough space to execute the turn. If you are a bike or car waiting on Putnam heading towards Brookline Street, you can be hit by the bus as it turns onto the road. Several times I have seen the bus go through red lights. The bus goes down the road much too fast.	10/27/2014 3:47 PM
103	The buses and large trucks can get noisy at times. Trucks bounce around on the rough roads and their loads rattle. Not a pleasure to drive or bike on; the blacktop is in rough shape. There's supposed to be a truck restriction; I have never seen that enforced.	10/27/2014 3:46 PM
104	feels a little industrial, dirty and forgotten	10/27/2014 3:46 PM
105	Not enough streets lights on lower half of street. Uneven sidewalk in places.	10/27/2014 3:38 PM
106	So narrow cars either pass bikes scarily or are too afraid to pass and so follow right behind bikes. I often pull over into empty car parking spaces on my bike to let them pass. Not enough trees up near Central and the library.	10/27/2014 3:21 PM
107	That it's one-way, badly paved, and the stop light at Putnam seems pretty arbitrary.	10/27/2014 3:03 PM
108	as a bicyclist dislike cars parked on both sides of the road and that there is no designated bike lane. As a pedestrian I dislike the last two blocks of sidewalk between Franklin Street and Mass avenue with tall plain walls without any openings. I also dislike all the trash on the sidewalk around the library and last block towards central square.	10/27/2014 3:00 PM

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109	It's not wide enough to bike comfortably.	10/27/2014 2:51 PM
110	not bike friendly	10/27/2014 2:47 PM
111	Tough to bike down it without drivers getting frustrated and aggressive trying to get past. Seems like people use it as a shortcut around western ave traffic, and they tend to be impatient.	10/27/2014 2:45 PM
112	I hear that bicyclists do not feel safe on Pearl Street.	10/27/2014 2:41 PM
113	Does not seem safe at night when walking	10/27/2014 2:41 PM
114	Crowded road, narrow sidewalks.	10/27/2014 2:29 PM
115	Too fast traffic. Really uncomfortable riding a bike.	10/27/2014 1:10 PM
116	As a biker, cars get too close. The number of potholes/things to avoid in the road. That it is hard to find parking. That people leave trash in certain areas closer to central (although I appreciate what the City has done to add trash cans near the library and listen to the neighborhood). That the sidewalk is narrow and hard to pass others at certain points, especially in the winter when sidewalk clearing isn't 100% width of the sidewalk. That it's going to be a TRAFFIC nightmare with such long upcoming construction!	10/27/2014 11:27 AM
117	dirty :(10/27/2014 11:18 AM
118	it is too narrow for comfortable biking, especially with children in tow	10/27/2014 11:11 AM
119	some people drive too fast - perhaps there should be risers in some intersections like Brookline street? Otherwise it's pretty nice	10/27/2014 11:02 AM
120	POT HOLES	10/27/2014 10:57 AM
121	it's gritty, dirty, full of potholes, no bike lane, cars are anxious for bikers who take up the full lane, and the buses go too fast.	10/27/2014 10:43 AM
122	Traffic; too many trucks; sidewalks not always cleared of snow and ice.	10/27/2014 10:38 AM
123	Lack of bike lane.	10/27/2014 10:34 AM
124	Poor condition of asphalt, especially around the manhole covers	10/27/2014 10:34 AM
125	It's a little more run-down than Magazine Street, for example. New sidewalks with brick to spruce it up would go a long way. I also can't stand the lighting on those first two blocks off Mass Ave.	10/27/2014 10:16 AM
126	Always some potholes - but these force cars to go slowly, so I don't mind them much. Slippery sidewalks in the winter are a challenge. Occasionally I worry about the health of some of the trees, and that they might lose branches in storms.	10/27/2014 10:10 AM
127	1. The narrow width of the road 2. The cars parked on both sides of street	10/27/2014 9:56 AM
128	It's over crowded with parked cars making it too narrow for both drivers and cyclists. It needs more trees and plants. It does not need granite as a decorative landscaping element (like the "greenscaping" on Western Ave.). Granite is a natural resource and should not be wasted on unnecessary landscaping design.	10/27/2014 9:46 AM
129	Road is in terrible shape with crazy potholes. Sidewalk is super bumpy and narrow in sections, so when wheeling a suitcase or cart it's a mess. I feel bad for cars when I am biking because they definitely can't pass me so just have to go at whatever speed I am going. On red sox game nights cars back up from the BU bridge roundabout practically to Pearl and Putnam and sit there idling and sometimes honking. Crazy!	10/27/2014 9:46 AM
130	Lack of safety while on road.	10/27/2014 9:29 AM
131	Cycling down it - it's usually stressful when compared to brookline.	10/27/2014 9:26 AM
132	narrow, crowded	10/27/2014 9:20 AM
133	Safety issues and speeding	10/27/2014 9:01 AM
134	All the bumps in the sidewalk, the fast cars and bikes, the narrowness	10/27/2014 8:55 AM
135	Needs more parking	10/27/2014 7:58 AM
136	Car speeds at end of pearl. Backup of traffic from memorial drive onto granite and occasionally pearl. One way routing of side streets between Putnam and granite.	10/27/2014 7:43 AM
137	I'm fine with it b/c I don't spend a lot of time on it or live there	10/27/2014 7:01 AM

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138	This is not about the street, but there is a house (I think it may be 148 Pearl St) where the yard is filled with trash, standing pools of water (with mosquitos), rat nests, etc. The rats have been a problem in the neighborhood. Inspectional services seems to be unable to do anything about this.	10/27/2014 6:59 AM
139	Not well lit, can feel unsafe walking in evening Past Chestnut, there is no other option to get to Magazine than to drive all the way around	10/27/2014 6:34 AM
140	The bumps. As a biker I don't like always needing to look over my shoulder for cars waiting to pass me. The backup of cars at Granite St (overflow from Brookline intersection/BU traffic circle) during evening rush hour routinely results in cars 'bailing' by driving the wrong way (often fast and/or in reverse) up Henry St. It was a sad day the Organic Furniture Cellar closed its doors and sadder still when that building's commercial space was rezoned as residential.	10/27/2014 1:10 AM
141	Potholes. Sharing of single lane by cars, buses and bikes with differing speeds.	10/26/2014 11:47 PM
142	Nothing.	10/26/2014 11:22 PM
143	It can get gridlocked when rush hour traffic in the BU Bridge rotary backs up into Granite Street.	10/26/2014 11:17 PM
144	bikes and cars must fight for space. Sidewalks could be wider. Hard to cross when no cross walk	10/26/2014 11:17 PM
145	nothing. it does not need to be fixed, no matter how much money you have for fixing it. my part of cambridge is SICK AND TIRED of extreme makeovers that take years and destroy neighborhoods. YOU LOST OUR TRUST WITH WESTERN AVE. why can't that job get done? why does it take forever? why is it such a pit? why is there no attention to the needs of local businesses in this? if this is such an important artery, why is there NO PROGRESS?????? we are all so completely angry about it. PLEASE don't ruin us again.	10/26/2014 11:13 PM
146	No bike lane.	10/26/2014 10:47 PM
147	It is narrow, bumpy and highly trafficked, with cars pulling in and out of parking, no room for opening doors, and no room for bikes to ride next to cars without endangering themselves, so they are forced to ride in-lane. However the cars HATE this and endanger those on bikes by speeding and coming too close behind the bicyclists.	10/26/2014 10:32 PM
148	Electrical wiring on poles	10/26/2014 10:04 PM
149	The poor road condition. The overhead wiring. Parking during snow emergencies and street cleaning. Traffic back-up from Granite St. at evening rush hour during the school year. Difficult to turn onto Pearl St. from Mass Ave. due to heavy pedestrian traffic during rush hours. Seemingly pointless occasional police traffic enforcement actions (ie full and complete stop at the Pearl and Granite St. stop sign) while nobody directs traffic at the Granite-Brookline St. intersection, causing traffic that backs clear up Pearl St. because cars routinely block the intersections.	10/26/2014 9:58 PM
150	A little dark, it feels somewhat unsafe to walk down. When biking, I bike slowly because it's so narrow with cars parked on both sides and a lot of traffic.	10/26/2014 9:56 PM
151	Cars go too fast, not safe for bikes, street lighting is blocked by low branches of trees in summer making the street feel unsafe - see Valentine St. corner where there are two tall street light s but they are both blocked by tree branches from being any use on most of the sidewalks on Valentine or Pearl St east side.	10/26/2014 9:55 PM
152	It's narrow for the amount of traffic that it receives. Lots of discarded lottery tickets on the sidewalk for some reason, but that's not a traffic issue!	10/26/2014 9:50 PM
153	It's wayyyy too narrow to drive on. The parked cars on either side make it really hard to see pedestrians/ dog-walkers crossing the street between parked cars, or even at street corners. When there is a bus going down the street, forget letting anyone else by - cars and bikes a like. The low hanging wires (Magazine Streets wires are buried) make it hard for large trucks to get down Pearl, which is ridiculous, especially with so many home deliveries of goods these days. And as a biker, it's wicked unsafe because a car just wants to pass you, but there is no where to pull over. And if you do pull over, it's at an intersection, where there could be another car waiting to cross Pearl St. It's just plain unsafe. That's why Magazine St. is so busy – it's way more accessible.	10/26/2014 9:50 PM

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154	I dislike the ugliness - it doesn't look safe. It doesn't matter what the reality is, I would bet that it discourages people from walking on it. I often use Magazine, even if it means walking a little further, or I cut over to Magazine immediately vs. walking down Pearl Street, if I am going in that direction. I hate that it is a commuter route - Pearl in the evening, and Brookline in the morning. It is a narrow street, with parking on both sides, in a very dense neighborhood, yet commuters want to scoot as quickly as possible out of the city, and we are in the way. Also the Parking garage and library area is very intimidating. It carries that foreboding feeling that you have on Green. You feel like someone could jump out at you easily. I do not walk up that end of Pearl at night.	10/26/2014 9:41 PM
155	Poor condition of paving and sidewalks.	10/26/2014 9:32 PM
156	It's ugly, sometimes feels unsafe at night, doesn't have enough trees, too narrow to ride a bike on, and overall kind of a bleak street. I often go over to Magazine Street simplify because it's more pleasant.	10/26/2014 9:19 PM
157	The very rough road surface.	10/26/2014 9:07 PM
158	Cars entering or crossing from the cross streets do not stop. Snow plows pile snow onto the sidewalk on the north side. The road surface makes it difficult to ride bike in a straight line. One way streets feed into it in the same direction. Impossible to get out of lower Pearl without dealing with rotary at BU Bridge. flooding in the swales Sidewalks are difficult to clear and navigate after snow due to tree roots, bad sidewalk construction, and plow piles. Some street lights do not go off in the day.	10/26/2014 8:31 PM
159	Too narrow and too many pot holes.	10/26/2014 8:04 PM
160	The paving. A shortage of corner stores.	10/26/2014 7:38 PM
161	Too much traffic on the street and cars speeding down Pearl st.	10/26/2014 7:27 PM
162	Biking side-by-side with cars is a little tense.	10/26/2014 5:10 PM
163	I dislike that bicyclists frequently travel the wrong way up Pearl Street. I wish that the police were more aggressive with ticketing cyclists. I dislike that the drainage is poor at several intersections. Thus, when it rains or snows, there are often giant puddles that form where a pedestrian needs to step off of the sidewalk to cross a side street, while walking up and down Pearl. I would love for drainage to be better so that there aren't huge puddles at the intersection of most side streets when walking up and down Pearl. There are some issues with tree roots having disrupted the sidewalks in several spots along Pearl.	10/26/2014 1:38 PM
164	So dark!	10/26/2014 11:20 AM
165	* It is a gauntlet of parked cars making some sightlines difficult for turning vehicles which often edge out in to the crosswalks to see. * The sidewalks are very narrow; it's sometimes difficult for two pedestrians to pass. It would be very hard for those with disabilities (especially in the winter). * Some intersections—particularly Franklin Street —should be four-way stops but aren't. People on the cross street sometimes assume that Pearl Street has a stop sign and run through the sign. Adding a stop at Franklin Street would both making the intersection safer for vehicles and reduce the long distance between traffic control devices on Pearl.	10/26/2014 10:50 AM
166	Buses on such a tight street. Idling noise of buses at Putnam light is loud. I would love a city program to help people get rid of chain link fences. Trees needed on Allston to Putnam block on odd number side - only area without trees. Feels anomalous.	10/26/2014 10:34 AM
167	I said earlier (sorry) especially the parking garage and library at the beginning, in fact the first 2-3 blocks from Mass. Ave. Huge, concrete, places that invite homeless sleepers, trash, etc., too many trees that make the street too dark, you can't tell if houses are occupied or not, not enough street lighting, businesses that are dark and you don't know what they are (like on the corner of Auburn and Pearl). The city doesn't address houses that look derelict or empty and rundown. As you get toward the middle -- toward the large church, there are fewer trees, so it's lighter, the houses have gardens in front, there's access to Dana Park, wider cross streets. It feels much safer and nicer.	10/25/2014 6:17 PM
168	Dangerous for bicycling. Corner of Chestnut St and Pearl dangerous—too many serious accidents.	10/25/2014 5:49 PM
169	The sidewalk can be a bit bumpy (sometimes due to tree roots). The unevenness can lead to big puddles on/after rainy days. It is a bit narrow of a road, and can be difficult to see when cars parallel park right up to the intersection.	10/25/2014 5:17 PM
170	potholes	10/25/2014 4:20 PM
171	Sidewalks aren't cleared well in winter and there's a lot of foot traffic.	10/25/2014 4:18 PM
172	It is hard when driving and people bike on Pearl.	10/25/2014 4:05 PM
173	Nothing in particular comes to mind.	10/25/2014 12:20 PM

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174	Litter, lack of trees near the square, intoxicated people congregating near and across from the library on the steps of property that is privately owned. These are people who need help and I have empathy for them, but they are at times loud and disruptive and they leave a lot of litter (bottles, cartons, etc . . .)	10/25/2014 11:42 AM
175	Terrible paving. Horrible. Narrow and wonky sidewalks. The light at Putnam is pretty annoying - I wish that it was a stop sign and/or pedestrian or traffic triggered to keep traffic flowing a bit better on Putnam.	10/25/2014 10:24 AM
176	Speeding. Loud music from cars. Backup from BU bridge during rush hour	10/25/2014 9:40 AM
177	Like all of Cambridge, the brick sidewalks are difficult for people with disabilities, elderly, parents with children in strollers and people walking on icy sidewalks. Also the brick heaves with the ice and tree roots. Pretty but not practical.	10/25/2014 9:27 AM
178	Brick sidewalks	10/25/2014 8:55 AM
179	Biking on it.	10/25/2014 8:35 AM
180	See above comments	10/25/2014 8:16 AM
181	As noted above, with cars, bikes, and parked cars on both sides, the street is narrow and sometimes feels unsafe.	10/25/2014 7:45 AM
182	Some of the homes are pretty run down.	10/25/2014 7:40 AM
183	Too narrow. Cars, and sometimes bicycles, that go too fast. Difficulty seeing at corners.	10/25/2014 7:26 AM
184	Very skinny	10/24/2014 11:06 PM
185	Nothing	10/24/2014 10:56 PM
186	It's full of potholes which makes it really hard to cycle on. When no cars are coming I can ride in the middle where it's better but when cars come it's not so good.	10/24/2014 9:07 PM
187	Tight conditions for biking, and the road surface is not pleasant for biking in places, although than you for repaving the stretch closest to Central Square.	10/24/2014 7:49 PM
188	when I drive, the turn from williams onto pearl is hard (hard to see people coming due to cars blocking sight lines, since it's so narrow	10/24/2014 6:22 PM
189	There are too many cars traveling too quickly down this street. It is very scary to bike down and there are no sharrows for bikes. There is too much parking, which obscures children from drivers, and puts cyclists in the door zone. I would like to see raised traffic tables, removed parking on one side of the street, and a separated bicycle lane installed.	10/24/2014 6:21 PM
190	I've lived on Pery St. for 28 years, about half of that time also had a dog, which I walked a lot, and for the last 8 have worked in Central Sq - so I've have had a long history with Pearl St. In general it is not well lit, the institutional buildings near Mass Ave. are dirty, and most of the street until about Cottage - both sides are unwelcoming, and often blocked. (especially in the winter, walking is almost impossible as all the cross streets get piled with snow at the ends. I hate the overhead wiring especially around the Mass. Ave block and feel very unsafe walking during any kind of storm. I've never once seen a police person WALKING in our neighborhood. I have seen police cars with flashing lights when there is an incident, but it would be nice to have more of a public safety presence.	10/24/2014 5:46 PM
191	Dark, feels a bit creepy as a female pedestrian.	10/24/2014 5:32 PM
192	There is a lot of truck traffic despite the signs, especially at Pearl / Putnam intersection. Many of the trucks are tall enough to damage street trees and cause a lot of noise especially early in the morning.	10/24/2014 5:00 PM
193	It's narrow and difficult to bike on.	10/24/2014 3:06 PM
194	-- It's a through-street (which makes it fairly heavily trafficked). -- It's a major conduit for major utilities -- gas, water, sewer -- so they're, quite often, digging it up. (At least in my neck of the woods.) -- It's incredibly bad to bike down.	10/24/2014 3:01 PM
195	Narrow sidewalks	10/24/2014 2:38 PM
196	Cars crowding out bicycles.	10/24/2014 2:26 PM
197	Too narrow and insufficient on-street parking.	10/24/2014 2:15 PM

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198	Poor parking during street sweeping/snow emergencies. The new folding street signs for extended snow emergencies are innovative and helpful to bus lines, but make for difficult parking conditions in winter.	10/23/2014 8:49 PM
199	The street is short on trees and the side walks should be brick. The public library overhang is a mess that ends up with police coming to the bus stop more weekend nights than not. The bus is very loud when it accelerates down the street. street lights are disruptive at night	10/23/2014 7:21 PM
200	Parking is absolutely impossible during a snow storm. I work late hours and by the time I get home there is nothing available and the lots are full. I also had some problems driving on the side streets this winter when they weren't plowed in a timely fashion.	10/23/2014 5:37 PM
201	Too much trash between Green and Franklin St. Horrible trash.	10/23/2014 5:25 PM
202	It is not as aesthetically nice as similar streets (Magazine St). There are fewer trees and the sidewalks are not in good shape.	10/23/2014 5:11 PM
203	The dog turds that do not get picked up. I walk it twice a day and encounter this weekly. the bad parts of the sidewalks have been repaired in the last few years. Thank you.	10/23/2014 4:57 PM
204	Unsafe to bike on.	10/23/2014 2:41 PM
205	Sight lines on some side streets are tough, some brick sidewalks are bumpy	10/23/2014 1:02 PM
206	I don't like the part closest to Central, especially at night, as it seems very desolate and not well-lit	10/23/2014 11:10 AM
207	The road is very damaged, there is no bike path offering safe space for adults and kids.	10/23/2014 10:03 AM
208	speeding. When the BU Bridge rotary gets backed up, Pearl becomes a nightmare and people consistently go up the wrong way to get out of the traffic. Police presence is ZERO, although we call all the time about this neighborhood.	10/23/2014 9:52 AM
209	Insufficient parking for residents, very difficult to transport children, groceries, etc. long distances just to unload.	10/23/2014 9:47 AM
210	Not enough trees, not enough parking	10/23/2014 9:33 AM
211	The lack of streets going from Pearl to Magazine south of Putnam. This is a real problem with the traffic backs up due to the poorly designed BU rotary.	10/23/2014 8:57 AM
212	Cars drive too fast	10/23/2014 8:30 AM
213	I have to race down on my bike because there just isn't enough room for two parked cars, a cyclist, and a moving car.	10/23/2014 8:06 AM
214	Very loud trucks barrel down the street-- there is a manhole cover at the corner of Hamilton and Pearl that is extremely loud when cars and trucks pass over it.	10/23/2014 6:57 AM
215	Sidewalks are tough for strollers often because of tree roots.	10/22/2014 10:43 PM
216	The roadway is too narrow for the increasing number of cars, trucks and bikes. Buses have a hard time getting through when a large vehicle is parked or a car is double-parked; also they can't turn onto Putnam (#47) without traffic on Putnam moving. Sidewalks are too narrow for walking in twos and for wheelchairs and strollers. Cars coming from side streets can't see oncoming traffic because of parked cars.	10/22/2014 9:33 PM
217	rough, narrow sidewalks. cars speed.	10/22/2014 9:29 PM
218	The road is rough for bicycles, and generally not wide enough for cars to pass safely.	10/22/2014 9:07 PM
219	The potholes when riding a bike	10/22/2014 8:20 PM
220	The road needs to be repaved. Street cleaning should start at 9am. Some of the sidewalks could also do with repairs. Some big trucks do come down Pearl even though they're not supposed to and they hit cars. Some telegraph poles are leaning over. Some trees are overgrown, particularly down at the Granite end of Pearl. There could be more trees toward the Mass. Ave section of Pearl.	10/22/2014 8:14 PM
221	Power lines. Too dense.	10/22/2014 8:02 PM
222	Very fast driving - I have seen people driving ~50mph Utility poles Generally ugly near the top at Mass Ave Trash	10/22/2014 7:57 PM
223	Trash on sidewalk near Central Sq.; the street is unpleasant aesthetically in general near Central Sq.; I prefer walking to Central on Magazine St.	10/22/2014 7:47 PM

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224	two sides parking. no bike lane. Not enough open space,trees,etc. People think it is a "short cut". Cars often do not stop at stop signs. Need raised crosswalks, better illumination at crosswalks,(fluorescent stripes?) warning signs or lights for crosswalks needed.	10/22/2014 6:06 PM
225	Having to move my car for street cleaning.	10/22/2014 5:43 PM
226	Rough sidewalk and road. Many one ways makes it difficult to navigate. Lack of bikelane makes it very tough for cyclists.	10/22/2014 5:32 PM
227	Area between Mass Ave and Auburn street very trashy, smelly, too many homeless people sleeping, doesn't feel safe to pass by	10/22/2014 5:10 PM
228	1) how fast people drive down it sometimes (see above) 2) when the traffic is heavy, there is this backup from down on Morse St. so there can be all these cars out on Pearl St., next to my house, waiting, with engines idling for up to an hour, and I don't like breathing in all the fumes....	10/22/2014 5:03 PM
229	Narrow sidewalks, loud bus, speeding cars, no parking.	10/22/2014 4:51 PM
230	Sidewalks are a bit narrow.	10/22/2014 4:50 PM
231	the utility poles and trash in the street, especially the top two blocks near Mass Ave.	10/22/2014 4:39 PM
232	Darknest due to over grown trees	10/22/2014 4:34 PM
233	Truck and buses that realize they have made a mistake and can't make the turn off and their attempts at backing up. Also the amount of traffic during "rush hour" that backs up in front of my house for a couple of hours most nights.	10/22/2014 4:03 PM
234	I HATE the trucks and buses	10/22/2014 3:51 PM
235	Needs more light at night. Too dark along the sidewalks.	10/22/2014 3:45 PM
236	There are a couple of holes in the street, but that is just from wear on the street since the last time it was repaved.	10/22/2014 3:38 PM
237	bike riders do not obey stop signs coming from the side streets on to Pearl- they run stop signs. i have watched it and seen many close calls and in 1 instance- an impact. no one hurt but the bike rider acknowledged that he did not stop at the stop sign- at least the driver was going very slowly (20 mph). i have also seen cars crash into each other at Pearl and chestnut. this is a dangerous intersection- it needs REAL stop lites- cars just roll thru the stop sign at Chestnut and Pearl.	10/22/2014 3:19 PM
238	That when reconstruction starts...everyone will have to park elsewhere...where I live on Brookline St.	10/22/2014 2:21 PM
239	The narrowness and the brick sidewalks.	10/22/2014 1:51 PM
240	Not much. Leave it alone. You are more likely to worsen it than anything else.	10/22/2014 1:31 PM
241	The noise generated from the traffic makes for tough sleeping. The bus in particular is a problem, but also there is a taste for incredibly loud stereo systems in cars these days, and when cars must idle at the Putnam intersection due to the traffic light, it can be disruptive. I'd prefer to see a stop sign at that intersection, like what was installed at Brookline and Putnam, and seems to be working well. Pearl Street seems to have a higher instance of crime than when I lived on a small side street. It is a main thoroughfare, so I guess it is to be expected, but it is discouraging.	10/22/2014 12:32 PM
242	Too much liter...especially closer to Central Square	10/22/2014 12:30 PM
243	It's narrow and bumpy. There are lots of potholes in the winter months.	10/22/2014 11:10 AM
244	I avoid it whenever I'm on a bike, and when I'm driving a car it's somewhat awkward to get stuck behind someone on a bike. Also, it seriously needs to be repaved, but I guess that's happening, which is great.	10/21/2014 8:46 PM
245	very constrained -- motorists squeeze cyclists and it isn't possible to safely share the road.	10/21/2014 4:16 PM

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Q18 How would you IMPROVE Pearl Street?

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#	Responses	Date
1	Make the #47 work better	11/9/2014 11:13 AM
2	nothing	11/8/2014 6:49 PM
3	Pave it smoother please.	11/8/2014 5:31 PM
4	Focus it as a bike, bus, and pedestrian street: bulb outs at intersections and bus stops, raised intersections, wider sidewalks. Bus priority stoplights.	11/8/2014 10:02 AM
5	I'd eliminate car parking on one side of the street and put in a nice cycletrack and green side walk.	11/7/2014 7:41 PM
6	- Bicycle infrastructure, so drivers will stop acting like cyclists are doing something wrong merely by using the road - Reduced parking, or some other way to make the street wider - More trees/landscaping	11/7/2014 4:58 PM
7	By putting more trees, making a designated line for cyclist	11/7/2014 12:42 PM
8	maintain it better	11/7/2014 12:23 PM
9	Protected bike lanes/cycle tracks. Real bus stops with islands. Better-managed street parking that allows for good bulbed-out crosswalks.	11/7/2014 11:05 AM
10	Trees, cross walks, bike lanes. designated place for delivery trucks.	11/7/2014 10:57 AM
11	Traffic calming; removing the flashing yellow light. Adding a stop sign at Chestnut St. and perhaps also at Erie St.	11/7/2014 10:43 AM
12	How about some way finding signs for bikes/peds?	11/7/2014 10:30 AM
13	Improve conditions for pedestrians and bicyclers. Maybe more raised crosswalks to slow the car/truck traffic.	11/7/2014 10:19 AM
14	I would like to see cycle tracks added by the sidewalk so bikers can feel safer biking. More local businesses could offer discounts to bikers	11/7/2014 8:54 AM
15	Reroute the buses onto a larger street. They really don't belong on Pearl (or Brookline and Magazine for that matter). Beyond that, I would suggest only subtle changes. My experience is that when the city makes dramatic "improvements" to streets, it only clogs up traffic - and that diminishes the experience for pedestrians and cyclists too.	11/7/2014 8:18 AM
16	Allow cars to more easily pass bikes.	11/7/2014 1:03 AM
17	I would use chicanes to slow down car traffic. The parking could alternate sides, leaving room for a designated, seperated bikeway.	11/6/2014 9:36 PM
18	Ideally a cycletrack like that further up Mass Ave on Vasser Street. Otherwise, remove a row of parked cars and put in a regular bike lane.	11/6/2014 7:59 PM
19	Repave and add signs to make vehicles using the street more aware of cyclists.	11/6/2014 7:56 PM
20	Find a way to allow both cars and bikes to share the road in a safe way	11/6/2014 7:39 PM
21	Bike lanes	11/6/2014 7:34 PM
22	More sharrows, bike lane if it was every widened Smoother pavement/sidewalks Any kind of trees/park/etc always sounds good to me Not sure what to do about safety impressions	11/6/2014 6:24 PM
23	get ride of parking on one side with a protected bike lane	11/6/2014 5:43 PM
24	Eliminate parking in favor of wider lane, bike lane.	11/6/2014 5:33 PM
25	- a proper bike lane - wider sidewalks where possible - speed bumps/traffic calming measures	11/6/2014 3:00 PM
26	I don't know.	11/6/2014 2:31 PM
27	Fix the 2 intersections mentioned above!	11/6/2014 10:46 AM

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28	Widen the sidewalks, Priority lanes for Bikes and busses	11/6/2014 10:17 AM
29	Narrow both sidewalks by about 50% and use the extra room to add a protected bike lane between parked cars and one of the sidewalks, while maintaining the current number of street parking spaces.	11/6/2014 7:30 AM
30	fix the pot holes	11/6/2014 7:20 AM
31	Fix drainage, keep parking both sides which discourages speeding,	11/5/2014 10:47 PM
32	As a senior, parking nearby by is important to me so I hope that parking will not be decreased. I would like to sidewalks to be more uniform, not some bricks and some concrete. I would like traffic to be calmed in some way.	11/5/2014 8:12 PM
33	Widen the street, remove parking	11/5/2014 6:54 PM
34	I would propose improved signage at intersections, and clear direction markings for bicycles which frequently do not obey the one way.	11/5/2014 12:54 PM
35	Fix the sidewalks. Remove a couple of bus stops.	11/5/2014 10:02 AM
36	Put in a bike lane. Put in place more police to hold drivers accountable.	11/4/2014 6:19 PM
37	the library and parking garage are eyesores. trees would help! the sidewalk is very narrow between Green and Auburn (left side as you head toward the river) - and there are a couple telephone poles along this stretch that leave only enough room for one person to pass at a time.	11/4/2014 5:55 PM
38	We have a dedicated bike lane on Brookline going north, we need one going south on either Pearl or Magazine.	11/3/2014 7:19 PM
39	Elevated bicycle lane, more landscaping, better parking--but I think that's probably what this project is all about.	11/2/2014 2:09 PM
40	Keep trees, improve bicycle space (or redirect to Magazine)	11/1/2014 4:22 PM
41	I would repave it and try to find space for a bike lane. I don't know what parking is like on Pearl, but on days when there is street-sweeping, it becomes much more bikeable because of the added space.	11/1/2014 3:07 PM
42	Bike lane	11/1/2014 2:47 PM
43	Correct the above.	11/1/2014 12:30 PM
44	Plant & care for more trees.	10/31/2014 8:05 PM
45	Develop additional & desired outlets off of Pearl, such that Granite doesn't function as the only, final destination.	10/31/2014 3:01 PM
46	Better crosswalks that are more visible to drivers. More even sidewalks for wheel chairs, strollers, etc. Better signage about cyclists - and enforcement!	10/31/2014 12:38 PM
47	more crosswalks, curbs painted yellow to indicate the parked cars cannot block intersections	10/31/2014 12:29 PM
48	New sidewalks and road re-pavement	10/31/2014 11:23 AM
49	BRING BACK THE BRICK SIDE WALKS... HAVE MORE CITY TRASH BARRELS AVAILABLE (and a campaign to promote less litter) SOMETHING TO MAKE THE STREET MORE FRIENDLY NEAR CENTRAL SQ.	10/30/2014 10:49 PM
50	Redesign it to improve visibility for turning drivers from side streets, find a way of slowing down some commuters.	10/30/2014 3:37 PM
51	Make a separated bike lane, slow motor vehicle traffic down. Raise crosswalks and install speed bumps at close intervals. Make room for pocket gardens in former parking spaces.	10/30/2014 1:39 PM
52	Bicycle lane and fixing narrowness.	10/30/2014 12:32 PM
53	Even though I own a bike and sometimes ride a bike on Pearl Street, I would NOT recommend eliminating parking on one side of the street to accommodate a bike lane. Sydney, though an imperfect substitute, does have a bike lane going the same direction. This was not the case with the bike lane added to Brookline, a decision I did support. One of the nice things about living in the neighborhood is that it is not impossible to find parking spots. Parking spots will be more scarce with the Pearl spots eliminated.	10/30/2014 11:21 AM
54	Repaving and speed bumps. The crime problems are not specific to Pearl St., of course, they're larger.	10/30/2014 7:46 AM
55	Fix the potholes. Tell people to trim back their bushes (by a lot) and let them know that they cannot put large potted plants onto the side walks or "fence-in" the trees lining the streets with wooden panels - this would widen the sidewalks for pedestrians and those with wheelchairs and wide strollers.	10/29/2014 1:25 PM

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56	Parking on only one side, a larger sidewalk on the non-parking side, and clusters of trees at intervals, rather than singly in a row down the street. I know this eliminates parking for residents, but I don't have enough confidence in the city's planning for development to believe that the most innovative way to create parking spots has been tried. Surely there's better thinking about parking that what we've got.	10/29/2014 1:13 PM
57	I'd improve all streets and the quality of life by installing motion detection street lamps on the side streets instead of the current lamps.	10/29/2014 12:33 PM
58	Fix potholes, add a bike lane	10/29/2014 2:39 AM
59	Replace the trees that are so big (where the pavements are cracked and too narrow to pass by stroller or wheelchair) with young trees. Need more zebra crossings. Need more lights in the middle of Pearl St - too dark and feels not safe to walk. Bigger road space for buses.	10/28/2014 11:54 PM
60	More frequent crosswalks, re-pave road and sidewalks	10/28/2014 11:28 PM
61	flat sidewalks. even paved road.	10/28/2014 9:37 PM
62	some way of creating a bike lane, perhaps sidewalk only on one side?? is that even possible? would be difficult to sacrifice half the street of parking when it is already getting tighter and more housing is being built in the neighborhood...	10/28/2014 9:08 PM
63	a few more stop signs or speed bumps before Putnam; a bike lane would be nice but not sure it is wide enough and going to single side parking would make it more difficult for the rest of the neighborhood to find parking.	10/28/2014 8:15 PM
64	No buses. Cut in half to eliminate through traffic.	10/28/2014 5:54 PM
65	Improve the bike/car road sharing.	10/28/2014 5:38 PM
66	Not sure	10/28/2014 4:27 PM
67	I would consider moving the bus route, repaving the roads, and putting in stop signs throughout. I think there needs to be clear markers indicating bike accessibility (if not a protected lane then markers indicating bikes can use the full street).	10/28/2014 4:03 PM
68	remove one lane of parking, install bike lane, remove light at putnam and use stop sign instead, some kind of speed control measures on pearl	10/28/2014 3:44 PM
69	i would remove parking on one side of the street and create a bike lane or cycle track. i would make it more clear that it is one way only. i would consider moving the 47 bus to magazine street.	10/28/2014 3:32 PM
70	Add a bike lane	10/28/2014 3:28 PM
71	I would leave Pearl Street the way it is. I would add traffic details, to try to keep the flow of traffic onto the BU Bridge and Memorial Drive so that it doesn't back up to Pearl Street. Maybe work with Boston and BU during rush hours to keep traffic flowing off of Pearl and Brookline Street	10/28/2014 3:14 PM
72	I actually like it as is for cars and bikes. I think the sidewalks could be improved and that bus amenities should be added (benches, trash cans) so that those waiting for the infrequent 47 have a good place to stand.	10/28/2014 3:10 PM
73	make sidewalks wheelchair/baby carriage accessible throughout - don't think widening street is an option	10/28/2014 1:36 PM
74	Fix side walks and curb cuts so that you can walk without tripping or soaking your feet during rain or snow. Eliminate parking on the Right side and place a separate dedicated bike lane allowing for safe biking. Add Speed Bumps and other traffic calming to prevent cars from speeding down Pearl between Green and Putnam.	10/28/2014 12:02 PM
75	Repave, for the love of god	10/28/2014 11:54 AM
76	Improve road surface and sidewalk surface so not so bumpy! A bike lane would be awesome but not at expense of the parking.	10/28/2014 10:57 AM
77	Traffic calming. I wouldn't remove car parking spaces--even as a cyclist, I see that parking is limited. I read a comment on this thread that eloquently made the point that parking is already a challenge for too many people. I'd rather see traffic calming measures to make what's already a fine cycling street even safer.	10/28/2014 9:55 AM
78	Add trees, repair sidewalks, move bus route to other street	10/28/2014 9:46 AM
79	make more prominent crosswalks - especially at corporal mc ternan/speradakis and allston -- where there are lots of kids families going to the parks on those streets the best thing to improve Pearl street would be to allow a left turn from Magazine street on to Memorial Drive - this is why so many cars are going down Pearl st. which is really a residential street - if you could get directly to memorial from magazine, many people would avoid pearl st	10/28/2014 9:42 AM

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80	Add bike lanes, like on Brookline.	10/28/2014 9:36 AM
81	Clean the sidewalks. Separate days for trash and street cleaning. Smoother pavement.	10/28/2014 9:33 AM
82	Traffic calming for cars Less cars more bike friendly	10/28/2014 9:26 AM
83	Slow down traffic!	10/28/2014 9:21 AM
84	Repave the street so bicyclists don't have to ride in the middle of the street to avoid potholes near the edges. Re-route the 47 bus to Magazine St.	10/28/2014 9:16 AM
85	More stop signs. I think the addition of the stop sign on Sidney Street at Erie Street did help calm traffic on another Cambridgeport street where motorists are not adequately respectful of pedestrians, especially at rush hour on weekdays. Similar measures might be useful on Pearl Street.	10/28/2014 9:15 AM
86	reroute the buses, repave and widen the sidewalks, add a bike lane (though the street is so narrow I'm not sure how feasible this would be)	10/28/2014 8:48 AM
87	Take out one lane of parking and replace it with a bike lane. Fix pedestrian crossings and put ramps on each side. Possibly make the side-walks a little wider.	10/28/2014 8:45 AM
88	Rebuild sidewalks, widen sidewalks at intersections to improve visibility of cars coming down Pearl, add bike racks and solar trash and recycling barrels.	10/28/2014 7:17 AM
89	Smooth roads, bike lane, no bus, add public trash bins.	10/28/2014 7:10 AM
90	Other responses have commented on this.	10/27/2014 11:37 PM
91	Better sidewalk, will be nice to have a bike lane without losing parking.	10/27/2014 11:09 PM
92	Post flashing speeding sign to make drivers aware of their speed. Fix sidewalks	10/27/2014 9:15 PM
93	???	10/27/2014 9:11 PM
94	Widen the sidewalks, create safe bicycle space, eliminate parking on one side.	10/27/2014 9:08 PM
95	Perhaps moving the 47 bus to Magazine St., putting in speed bumps or some kind of traffic-calming effort. Bike lanes on Magazine St.	10/27/2014 8:16 PM
96	---Re-surface road. ---I don't know how you could make the street less narrow, except by taking away parking on one side of the street. Giving up that much parking would be very unpopular, but might have to do it if population and traffic continue to grow. It isn't feasible to widen the street, since Pearl St. front yards are already minimal. . - --Make visitor parking more feasible. I only have one visitor card; do we no longer have the option of a second visitor card? Also, we used to be able to request the card on line, but apparently that's no longer the case. --One thing that makes bikes dangerous is that they often don't obey traffic rules. Might have to toughen up on them, esp. at left turns and at crossings, where they tend to go among the pedestrians. --Might also have to do more training of drivers with regard to bikes, drivers of cars often do not accommodate bikes.	10/27/2014 8:08 PM
97	Better pavement with a bike lane	10/27/2014 7:40 PM
98	Get strict about cars parking close to intersections and obstructing the view of drivers attempting to pull out onto or cross Pearl Street.	10/27/2014 6:59 PM
99	Speed bumps or something that would deter commuters as well as a bike lane.	10/27/2014 6:23 PM
100	Move all parking to the left side of the street and create a bike lane next to the curb on the right side like on Brookline Street, which has become a far friendlier and safer place to bike, and where many people now bike who would not do so otherwise.	10/27/2014 5:33 PM
101	Best would be to remove all parking and add a protected cycle track, protected bus stops, raised crossings, etc. Short of that, at least remove all parking on the right hand side and add a protected cycle track. Short of that, add a cycle lane next to the sidewalk on the right hand side, with a row of parked cars protecting the cyclists from the traffic. Ask yourselves, "what would it take to make Pearl Street safe enough for my grandmother or my small child to feel safe riding their bicycle there?"	10/27/2014 5:02 PM
102	repaving would be nice, but somehow making the car/bike expectations clear might help as well. If the street is repaved, then traffic quieting is probably going to be necessary (but I'd hate to see speed bumps for bikes)	10/27/2014 4:51 PM

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103	Put a speed bump down around Lawrence/McTernan, near where the Dana Park is, to calm the traffic from zooming out of Central Square, that's where they really get going before the Putnam Light. And also re route Bus 47 to magazine (it already has to make a dangerous turn on Putnam), to make the whole of Pearl Street quieter and more bike-friendly. There's already a bus route/ and part of 47 on Magazine.	10/27/2014 4:39 PM
104	Bike lanes. Trees.	10/27/2014 4:28 PM
105	More trees! & increased parking restrictions at corners to alleviate blind spots when turning out onto Pearl.	10/27/2014 4:25 PM
106	Reduce car parking to one side of the street; put in a dedicated bike lane; speed bumps; pedestrian lights	10/27/2014 4:22 PM
107	remove parking on one side and provide a buffered bike lane	10/27/2014 4:18 PM
108	Would be great to have a bike lane, but if that means removing parking from one side of the street, I'm not sure if I'd take that trade-off. Perhaps just controlling speed of cars through raised intersections and clear markings on the street indicating that cars must share the road with bikes would be sufficient. Get some better broadband options available!	10/27/2014 4:10 PM
109	Parking on only one side of street (Yes, I know the implications of that).	10/27/2014 3:54 PM
110	traffic calming at midpoints. Allston Street, Green Street, Erie Street.	10/27/2014 3:47 PM
111	Eliminate parking from the east side of the street. Put a cycle track in for safe bicycling. Clean it weekly. Get traffic to slow down. Install some raised intersection(s) for traffic quieting on Erie or Hamilton St. Put in some benches at bus stops for older people waiting for the bus (no advertising).	10/27/2014 3:46 PM
112	More trees, bike lanes, less street parking, bump outs for traffic calming and easier crosswalks	10/27/2014 3:46 PM
113	More streetlights on lower Pearl. Please no bump-outs--do not slow traffic and are ill advised	10/27/2014 3:38 PM
114	Much like Western, pedestrian crosswalk bump outs. Sharrows or reduced parking to help with bikes and cars sharing a narrow lane. More trees, especially up toward Central.	10/27/2014 3:21 PM
115	Make two way with parking on one side only and share rows, curb bump-outs and raised intersections, and since I'm in Cambridge: a pony as well, I think the City can swing it.	10/27/2014 3:03 PM
116	remove one side of parking and introduce a designated bike lane. add more trees.	10/27/2014 3:00 PM
117	Put in a designated bike lane. My favorite type of bike lane is the kind separated from the street, like you see on Western and Vassar.	10/27/2014 2:51 PM
118	bike lane	10/27/2014 2:47 PM
119	cycle track.	10/27/2014 2:45 PM
120	I'd like to see it safer for bicyclists.	10/27/2014 2:41 PM
121	Brighten it up at night and make it more user friendly.	10/27/2014 2:41 PM
122	Every time a street is opened in Cambridge should be an opportunity for utility wires to be buried.	10/27/2014 2:29 PM
123	A bike lane and parking on only one side of the street.	10/27/2014 1:10 PM
124	I'd be very anxious about well intended improvements. Unlike traffic-calming the city has done on most other Cambridge streets, this one is so narrow. Many well intentioned improvements would, I think, turn out to not be improvements. I hope you have restraint about your design. I hope you do not remove any parking spaces at all, I hope you don't put curves into the street as you have elsewhere. Tricky design problem. Would demand subtly to not damage the streetscape. Other traffic calmings you've done are pleasant but often seem to shout self-consciously: "Look at me - I'm calming the traffic!" It is plainly a modern modification. I wonder if you could calm traffic on Pearl Street without anyone noticing the changes to the stage-set and props.	10/27/2014 12:54 PM
125	Try to minimize the impact of the long, upcoming construction on neighbors. Think about where else neighbors will be able to park when their blocks are under construction (or maybe don't do street cleaning in our neighborhoods during the months when parking will be limited due to construction). It would be ideal if there were a way to make a bike lane without losing parking on one side of the street. If that isn't possible, getting rid of the potholes/road irregularities and making drivers slow down and having signs for them to share the road more frequently would still help. Get the buses (47) not to squeak their breaks as much and barrel along the block on Putnam between Pearl and Magazine street (so loud!). I like the signs along the street about the neighborhood history, maybe add more of those?	10/27/2014 11:27 AM
126	remove parking on one side and add bike lane and perhaps widen sidewalk.	10/27/2014 11:11 AM

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127	Risers in 1-2 intersections, more trees, lighting? walking home from Central after work it's often hard to see in the winter, better snow removal for those commuters walking/biking/pushing strollers home	10/27/2014 11:02 AM
128	Possibility of a bike lane, but not at the expense of losing parking. Brookline St. has a great bike lane, but only has one lane of parking	10/27/2014 10:57 AM
129	make parking on one-side of the street only; make a proper bike lane. better lighting, especially around the more run-down parts and near the parks . pave it!	10/27/2014 10:43 AM
130	Could we perk up the blocks just south of Mass. Ave.? They are ugly and grungy!	10/27/2014 10:38 AM
131	Figure out how to accommodate a bike lane without reducing # of parking spaces.	10/27/2014 10:34 AM
132	Repave, and make it clear that bikes can take the lane if needed due to narrow width (e.g. sharrows).	10/27/2014 10:34 AM
133	I would love to see you do something like you did on Western Ave. The sidewalks and trees are gorgeous there. It would be great to be able to walk the stroller no problem up to MAss Ave and have clearly marked crosswalks so cars knew they had to stop. I wish the Putnam furniture and other businesses on that first block would not put their garbage on the sidewalk, because you really just can't walk through there when they do that -- especially with a stroller. Some nice street lights would be lovely - like the ones on Mass Ave that our more historic looking.	10/27/2014 10:16 AM
134	I would love a wider sidewalk on at least one side. I'd rather the amount of parking stay the same than having a bike lane, if that is a choice. (I bike all the time, but traffic isn't so fast that a bike lane is really necessary).	10/27/2014 10:10 AM
135	Add a dedicated bike lane	10/27/2014 9:56 AM
136	Remove some of the parking or have it be PM parking only. Add bicycle lanes and bicycle parking. Plant more trees and shrubs.	10/27/2014 9:46 AM
137	Prioritize a new bike lane. Lose a side of parking! Make changes that emphasize it's the PEOPLE who live in our neighborhood that make it great – not the cars.	10/27/2014 9:29 AM
138	No parking on right-hand side (like Brookline) and a dedicate street level cycle lane.	10/27/2014 9:26 AM
139	make it for pedestrians and bicycles only	10/27/2014 9:22 AM
140	trees, speed bumps, more crosswalks, sidewalk repairs	10/27/2014 9:01 AM
141	No bus on Pearl? Go down Magazine instead?	10/27/2014 8:55 AM
142	Nothing to improve.	10/27/2014 7:58 AM
143	Raised intersection at Henry and pearl. Change directionality of one of the one ways like tufts or glenmont. Improve sidewalks, improve building at corner of Putnam and pearl. Improve pearl surface for entirety.	10/27/2014 7:43 AM
144	Even out the sidewalks; better views for entering cars	10/27/2014 7:01 AM
145	Have Inspectional Services enforce the clean up of 148 Pearl St.	10/27/2014 6:59 AM
146	Lighting, bike lane, raised crossings at intervals.	10/27/2014 6:34 AM
147	Close it to cars (just kidding, mostly). Can you give up enough parking spaces to put in a bike lane (not sure which side makes more sense)? The neighborhood somehow manages this scenario during snow removal emergencies, so why not the rest of the time? More (raised?) crosswalks. Plant exclusively edible fruit and nut trees along the street. Art! Though likely beyond your purview: a cafe, ice cream shop or the like, particularly in lower Cambridgeport!	10/27/2014 1:10 AM
148	At each bus stop remove parking directly across the street to create "passing zones" for cars to easily pass bikes and buses. Mark pavement with a dashed line to direct cars to keep left and bikes to stay right through those areas (unless the bike is going around a bus).	10/26/2014 11:47 PM
149	No improvements necessary—what's the problem?	10/26/2014 11:22 PM
150	Stop treating Memorial Drive as a highway, encouraging commuters to use it to get to the Mass Pike from Downtown Boston, which is what causes the BU Bridge rotary to get backed up (that and the narrowing of the bridge to one lane each way)..	10/26/2014 11:17 PM
151	eliminate parking on one side, add a cycle track and widen sidewalks.	10/26/2014 11:17 PM
152	do nothing. or – do the least you have to do.	10/26/2014 11:13 PM

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153	If it's possible to put in a bike lane similar to Brookline, that would be great, but my sense is that the street is narrower than Brookline, so short of eliminating a side of parking which would make a lot of people unhappy (including me) I don't know that there's much to change. More trees are always nice.	10/26/2014 10:47 PM
154	Change parking to one side of street only, to make room for a bike lane separated from traffic.	10/26/2014 10:32 PM
155	Put electrical wiring underground, as was done for part of Brookline Street renovation	10/26/2014 10:04 PM
156	Please don't waste yet another opportunity to bury the electrical and cable wiring! Please bring us up to the standards of the late 20th century. Why does NStar persist in claiming homeowners have to pay when it's in their interest to avoid the power outages from downed trees after every major storm? Please find a creative solution.	10/26/2014 9:58 PM
157	Maybe some speed bumps so it's not considered a cut through.	10/26/2014 9:56 PM
158	Include pedestrian level street lighting to improve the feeling of safety at night.	10/26/2014 9:55 PM
159	Improving sightlines at the intersections with Hamilton and Allston; adding some traffic calming near Watson or Cottage Street to slow down cars. Some of the curb ramps could be improved for people in wheelchairs and people with baby strollers.	10/26/2014 9:50 PM
160	Only have parking on one side of the street along each block. Make a bike lane. Widen the sidewalks. Make it so people who live on Pearl and need a parking space can park in Municipal parking lots for free.	10/26/2014 9:50 PM
161	I think that the improvements made to streets like Columbia, where they made it less straight and raised crosswalks would be good. It would add space for some trees. Using some brick vs. concrete could also give it some warmth and make it more welcoming. From a neighborhood view, it is a great street, because of the things I listed. It has the components that make a neighborhood, it could just be more attractive and less of a commuter street.	10/26/2014 9:41 PM
162	New sidewalks and paving.	10/26/2014 9:32 PM
163	More trees, wider, better lit at night.	10/26/2014 9:19 PM
164	Just repave the road surface. Unfortunately, the road is too narrow for a bike lane without giving up badly needed parking spaces. I usually ride on Magazine street which is much safer for bicycles.	10/26/2014 9:07 PM
165	repave surface, bury utilities repave or brick sidewalks Accommodate big trees Add new trees	10/26/2014 8:31 PM
166	Make the street wider and fix the potholes.	10/26/2014 8:04 PM
167	I am mostly concerned about the intersections and the parked cars that make it very difficult to see, especially on Allston as it crosses the street.	10/26/2014 8:02 PM
168	perry st to erie st seems very dark.	10/26/2014 7:48 PM
169	Add one or two commercial (corner store, or eatery) spaces to keep it more friendly at night. This requires well designed face to street. Repave it in such a way as to eliminate pedestrian hazards. This is a good opportunity for technological reduction of freezing of surfaces. This should be attempted to study cost effectiveness. (Under conditions of Full Cost Accounting – environmental or ecological)	10/26/2014 7:38 PM
170	Better bike protection. This is not just Pearl St, but I wish it were legal to lock bikes to parking signs. This would increase bike parking availability everywhere, without adding clutter to sidewalks.	10/26/2014 5:10 PM
171	In addition to my responses to question #17, I would add that it would be nice for there to be some "speed plateaus," like there are at the corner of Brookline and Erie and at the corner of Albany and Pacific.	10/26/2014 1:38 PM
172	More streetlamps	10/26/2014 11:20 AM

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173	<p>* Repave it, especially so cyclists can keep a straight line to avoid potholes * Bus stops should be "bulbed" out so that the bus doesn't have to pull in and out of traffic. Usually the stops on Pearl are only used by a few people at a time, so the stops are short. Buses often do this anyway (stopping in the center of the street, or pulling in at an angle so traffic can't get by). You could potentially add some parking since the bulb would only have to be long enough to accommodate the doors of the bus and not the swing in to and out of the stop. * Potentially add a bike lane, although the street is quite narrow and it would necessitate removing a lot of parking. The parking, by keeping the street narrow, actually slows traffic; it would be interesting to compare traffic speeds on Brookline and Pearl as I would venture to guess that traffic on Brookline Street is actually faster. * If not adding a bike lane, add sharrows in the center of the lane and "bicyclists use full lane" signage prominently along the street. The street is most dangerous for cyclists when they ride next to the car doors and get pinched by passing vehicles. It's safer when they ride in the center of the lane and traffic moves behind them. * Narrow the travel lane (if possible) while still keeping it passable for buses in order to increase sidewalk widths. * Add marked crosswalks at all cross streets, even though most users generally cross wherever they want to. * Add a stop sign at Franklin Street, and a raised intersection somewhere about halfway between Franklin and Putnam to keep traffic slower.</p>	10/26/2014 10:50 AM
174	<p>Re-route the 47 bus. Have buses get over to Magazine right away - maybe on Green. Come up with a real inventive landscape plan in front of library. That block is drab and always dirty. Could be inspiring instead. Maybe one of those parks in a parking space in front of Gallery 263 - put sculpture there even. I'd love to see City study precedents of great sidewalks and residential streets from other parts of the world. Show us some amazing ideas we might not know about and let us consider them. Inspire us to think about what else could happen.</p>	10/26/2014 10:34 AM
175	<p>My answers to the above make that clear: first and foremost, demolish the parking garage and allow something nicer to go up in its place. Upgrade the library so it looks inviting (if Cambridge could build the beautiful main library, it can make this one not look like a 50s Soviet fortress). Make it much more lighted, fewer trees, so there's more light. Generally, better lighting. Pedestrian cross-walks and reminders to drivers to obey them. Monitoring of busses and ticketing those bus drivers who speed and who don't stop for pedestrians, or take them off Pearl altogether. Monitoring and checking on buildings that seem moving toward derelict or uninhabited. Better snow removal.</p>	10/25/2014 6:17 PM
176	<p>parking on one side only, with a designated bike travel lane</p>	10/25/2014 5:49 PM
177	<p>I would widen the road and add a bike lane (I know this isn't really feasible). I would prohibit cars from parking directly up to an intersection (or enforce the normal rule), and I would try to level out/repave the bumpiest parts of the sidewalk.</p>	10/25/2014 5:17 PM
178	<p>There is a need to preserve parking spaces in the neighborhood. There is now a Hubway station on my street that took 3 parking spaces away from us. There are 12 houses on our street, with 38 units of housing. Only 4 houses have driveways. Every other street in the immediate neighborhood has more off-street parking than we have.</p>	10/25/2014 4:20 PM
179	<p>I'm not sure.</p>	10/25/2014 4:18 PM
180	<p>More trees is always a nice thing.</p>	10/25/2014 12:20 PM
181	<p>Beautify the parts closer to the square. Add better lighting and make the pedestrian experience even more welcoming. Preserve the parking on both sides as a strength not a weakness of the street - consider sending the 47 Bus and others down Magazine instead. Focus on the needs and enjoyment of residents and families who live stroll park and walk here, over convenience of commuters.</p>	10/25/2014 11:42 AM
182	<p>Repaving. Sidewalk repair and widening. PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE PARKING. This would be horrible for the many, many families that live along Pearl (my brother's and his three small children included). I LIKE that bikes and cars have to be polite to each other. I actually feel safer on Pearl than I do on Brookline, where I have my own bike lane but cars are SPEEDING along beside me. Sidney and Brookline do not have the density of old residential buildings and removing one side of parking might seem like the "green" bike-friendly thing to do, but what we should really promote is slower car traffic and better sharing of limited roadways.</p>	10/25/2014 10:24 AM
183	<p>More trees. Traffic calming, speed impediments.</p>	10/25/2014 9:40 AM
184	<p>I like the idea of some speed bumps to slow the traffic. I think it is important to make one sidewalks more accessible. I do not want to add a bike lane (the street is too narrow) and do not want to reduce the number of parking spaces. Your study of vacant spaces is flawed as it counted spaces in a very wide area. Parents aren't going to want to park in Central Square to walk their kids to Pearl and Allston. Also, the times when there are spaces (midday) are pretty much irrelevant to the times when people come home for the evening. Then parking is tight.</p>	10/25/2014 9:27 AM
185	<p>Replace the bricks</p>	10/25/2014 8:55 AM
186	<p>Address the issues above but do not make conditions on side streets more congested</p>	10/25/2014 8:16 AM

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187	I would prohibit parking close to corners.	10/25/2014 7:45 AM
188	Make it more functional for all kinds of transportation	10/25/2014 7:40 AM
189	Allow car parking on only one side of the street. Dedicated bike lane. Raised intersections to calm traffic. Somewhat wider sidewalks. Sidewalks redesigned so cars cannot park close to corners -- this would increase visibility at corners for crossing the street.	10/25/2014 7:26 AM
190	Traffic calming, make it more bike-friendly	10/24/2014 11:06 PM
191	Bike lane! Or at the least, smoother for cycling.	10/24/2014 9:07 PM
192	Bike lanes!	10/24/2014 7:49 PM
193	remove parking on the right side add a PROTECTED BIKE LANE on the right side instead of parking have a light at the corner of green and pearl	10/24/2014 6:22 PM
194	I would like to see raised traffic tables, removed parking on one side of the street, and a separated bicycle lane installed.	10/24/2014 6:21 PM
195	1. Reduce the parking spaces 2. put all wiring underground; trim trees; get the city to vastly improve the exterior of the library so it is brighter, cleaner, and more welcoming for pedestrians to walk by 3. put in 2 traffic calming areas - one around Lawrence St. (especially if that remains a bus stop) and one where other people might think there is a problem 4. find alternative ways that all residences, including apt. buildings can get their trash picked up without blocking the sidewalk 5. Get the city to clear all the walkways in the winter and haul away snow and ice. It is too much for individuals to deal with all the snow that we've been getting. Improve street lighting; maybe make it historic looking - something that is lower and looks like old gas lamps for instance would be more in keeping with the intimacy of the neighborhood. 6. Get rid of all the extraneous signs and sign posts 7. evaluate the bus stops and ask the MBTA to place them in less obtrusive places if possible 8. fix the walks which have been uprooted by trees 9. Make all the walks consistent on both sides - either brick or cement. 10. Determine safest place for people to ride their bikes - it might be down the middle of the street - but it would be better for bikers and car drivers alike if they knew where to expect to find the bikes 11. I'm sure you are talking with other departments, but it would be great if our neighborhood had some kind of overall look or design features that began tying it all together. The neighborhood has a long history as a place where "workers" lived as well as artists and students and families. If it was a very friendly pedestrian street, more people would walk on it. 12. post some places where people can get bags to clean up after their dogs, and have central places for garbage cans/ mailboxes etc. and then service them.	10/24/2014 5:46 PM
196	public art?	10/24/2014 5:32 PM
197	Enforce the NO TRUCKS regulations	10/24/2014 5:00 PM
198	That's your job.	10/24/2014 3:06 PM
199	-- Remove parking on NW side; add a bike lane on that side. -- Add a sewer drain to the SW of the driveway for 266-276 Pearl. (Water backs up there in the fall, when leaves are blocking street, and winter, when snow is blocking. -- Fix all the underground utilities so the street wouldn't have to be opened up as often; add accessibility where appropriate.	10/24/2014 3:01 PM
200	Remove parking on one side and add a cycle lane, plus widen sidewalks	10/24/2014 2:38 PM
201	Designated bike lane between the sidewalk and parking area.	10/24/2014 2:26 PM
202	I have mixed feelings about crosswalk bump-outs. They encourage my young children to go right up to the edge of the street instead of waiting back a bit. As my kids grow and are more aware of traffic, I believe they would make crossing safer.	10/24/2014 2:23 PM
203	See 17.	10/24/2014 2:15 PM
204	Not just Pearl Street but definitely including Pearl Street, in general too many bicyclists are biking without lights, making them hard to spot. More bicyclist education/enforcement programs are needed to encourage use of headlights and taillights at night.	10/23/2014 8:49 PM
205	more trees, brick side walks, turn off the street lights	10/23/2014 7:21 PM
206	Absolutely more trees. It would also be great if there were more trash bins located on the street. There is often a lot of trash left on our front steps or around the house.	10/23/2014 5:37 PM
207	Pick up trash. Find some way to keep it cleaner with citizen involvement	10/23/2014 5:25 PM

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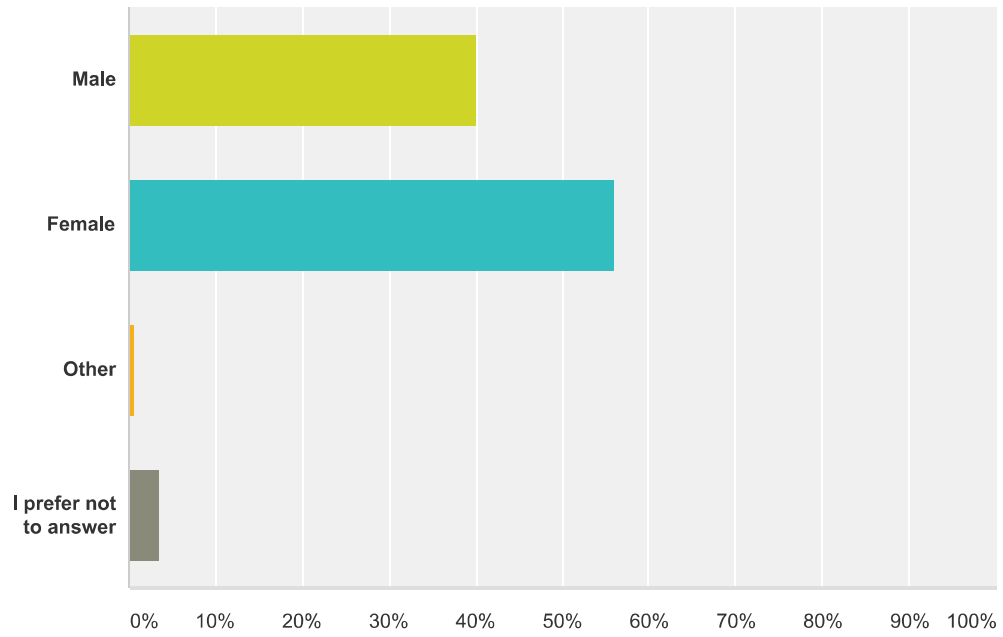
208	More trees (particularly in the area closer to Mass Ave), more attractive sidewalks (brick, preferably), restrict parking to one side to allow more room for cars/buses/bikes to pass easily.	10/23/2014 5:11 PM
209	By adding more trees. I also suggest a box with bags to pick up dog feces at the park at Brookline and Henry.	10/23/2014 4:57 PM
210	Add well marked lane for bikes	10/23/2014 2:41 PM
211	Improve sight lines, more trees on one side of the street (can be very bright in the summer), get rid of brick sidewalks. A good paving will help a lot.	10/23/2014 1:02 PM
212	More lighting, improved access to sidewalk (free of trees/bushes/leaves) as well as maybe restrictions on parking for better access for buses, but maybe just stricter patrolling of double parked vehicles	10/23/2014 11:10 AM
213	Copy Brookline Street: with car parking on one side and larger sidewalk + bike path on the other side. Traffic is usually not congested on Pearl and parking regularly available so this model shouldn't affect cars but improve pedestrians and bikers safety.	10/23/2014 10:03 AM
214	more crosswalks, less speeding, greater traffic department presence...	10/23/2014 9:52 AM
215	Narrow sidewalks, change to back-in DIAGONAL parking on both sides. Much safer for drivers and cyclists.	10/23/2014 9:47 AM
216	Increase parking and trees	10/23/2014 9:33 AM
217	Look at consolidating some of the #47 bus stops and providing shelters and providing bus signal priority at Pearl and Putnam.	10/23/2014 8:57 AM
218	Speeding and overall through traffic should be reduced	10/23/2014 8:30 AM
219	Eliminate one side of parking 9 months out of the year to make a bike lane	10/23/2014 8:06 AM
220	Level out the sidewalks--keep them brick where possible to retain the charm. Calm the traffic if possible--maybe speed bumps to slow people down?	10/23/2014 6:57 AM
221	Make sidewalks accessible.	10/22/2014 10:43 PM
222	At the least eliminate parking on one side of the street. Build traffic calming installations, crosswalks at every intersection, do away with brick sidewalks.	10/22/2014 9:33 PM
223	Repave, bike lane, add green growth (trees)	10/22/2014 9:07 PM
224	Potholes, possible bike lanes, don't get rid of any parking	10/22/2014 8:20 PM
225	1. Repave it. 2. Start street cleaning at 9am. 3. Repair some sidewalks. 4. More prominent signs warning trucks not to come down -maybe indicate a fine for those who do? 5. Remove or stabilize telegraph poles. 6. Prune overgrown trees, plant more trees toward the Mass. Ave section of Pearl.	10/22/2014 8:14 PM
226	Bury the power lines. And plant even more trees. Wider sidewalks so 2 can walk side by side.	10/22/2014 8:02 PM
227	Bury the utility lines Add more stops to slow down the traffic (or add raised crosswalks) Brick the sidewalks for aesthetic improvement More trees to reduce the heavy urban feeling	10/22/2014 7:57 PM
228	Clean up and beautify the two blocks closest to Mass Ave. Remove accumulated snow especially between Granite Ave and Putnam.	10/22/2014 7:47 PM
229	wider sidewalks, improved car/pedestrian safety at the Mass Ave end of the street	10/22/2014 6:49 PM
230	More vegetation. some useful public art. More trash cans. Benches at bus stops. Park on one side. bike lanes.	10/22/2014 6:06 PM
231	I think it is great the way it is.	10/22/2014 5:43 PM
232	Parking only on one side. Dedicated bike lane. Wider sidewalk with more trees. More light-commercial infrastructure (coffee shops, laundry, bodegas, etc.)	10/22/2014 5:32 PM
233	Better street lighting, more trees and plants	10/22/2014 5:10 PM
234	Put a big stop sign on Pearl at the intersection of Pearl and Chestnut... (see above)	10/22/2014 5:03 PM
235	Reroute the 47 bus and make parking on one side only so sidewalk can be expanded.	10/22/2014 4:51 PM
236	Enforce the speed limit, add a bicycle lane, educate MBTA drivers to be patient with cyclists on narrow streets like this.	10/22/2014 4:50 PM
237	bury the utility lines, like Brookline Ave and Magazine Street	10/22/2014 4:39 PM

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238	Its seems fine fix the pot holes	10/22/2014 4:34 PM
239	Better large vehicle signage.	10/22/2014 4:03 PM
240	Don't allow trucks or buses on the street. They can go up Sydney St which has less house and less traffic. The noise of the trucks and buses is AWFUL.	10/22/2014 3:51 PM
241	I would repave the street.	10/22/2014 3:38 PM
242	install those raised up areas so cars have to slow down; add stop lites, add bike lane.	10/22/2014 3:19 PM
243	By getting rid of the brick sidewalks, better and clear lighting.	10/22/2014 1:51 PM
244	Maybe move back the hold-short line on Putnam-eastbound at Pearl, so that the bus can make the turn more easily. And/or make the no-parking area on the east side of Pearl north of the intersection of with Putnum larger, so the bus can arc to the left before executing its right turn.	10/22/2014 1:31 PM
245	Pearl Street would be greatly improved by providing more street trees. Many houses have very small front lots with little opportunity for gardening, and city trees go a very long way in improving the appearance of the street, mitigating heat, and enhancing the experience of being on Pearl, I hate to see homeowners who pave with asphalt over the little potential green space in front yards that there is. Why is that allowed? I also support one side of the street becoming permanently posted as a snow emergency route to alleviate parking headaches from the inevitable snow banks made when individuals have to dig there cars out one by one. One day of inconvenience during a storm is preferable to months of lost parking spaces due to this phenomenon. The Brookline Street sidewalk and street project is such an enhancement to our neighborhood. The addition of brick on one side of the walkway, the numerous trees that were added, and also the width of the new sidewalk is a tremendous help in navigating that street. Pearl street is fine for most pedestrians, but I have seen people with baby carriages struggle with the narrowness of the sidewalks particularly in the snow. I can't even imagine what it would be like in a wheel chair.	10/22/2014 12:32 PM
246	More parking spots	10/22/2014 12:30 PM
247	Rebuild it and then maintain it.	10/22/2014 11:10 AM
248	I live on Brookline Street and I like how it has a bike lane on one side and on-street parking on the other. I would love to see the same done to Pearl Street.	10/21/2014 8:46 PM
249	add a bike lane	10/21/2014 4:16 PM

Q22 What do you identify as your gender?

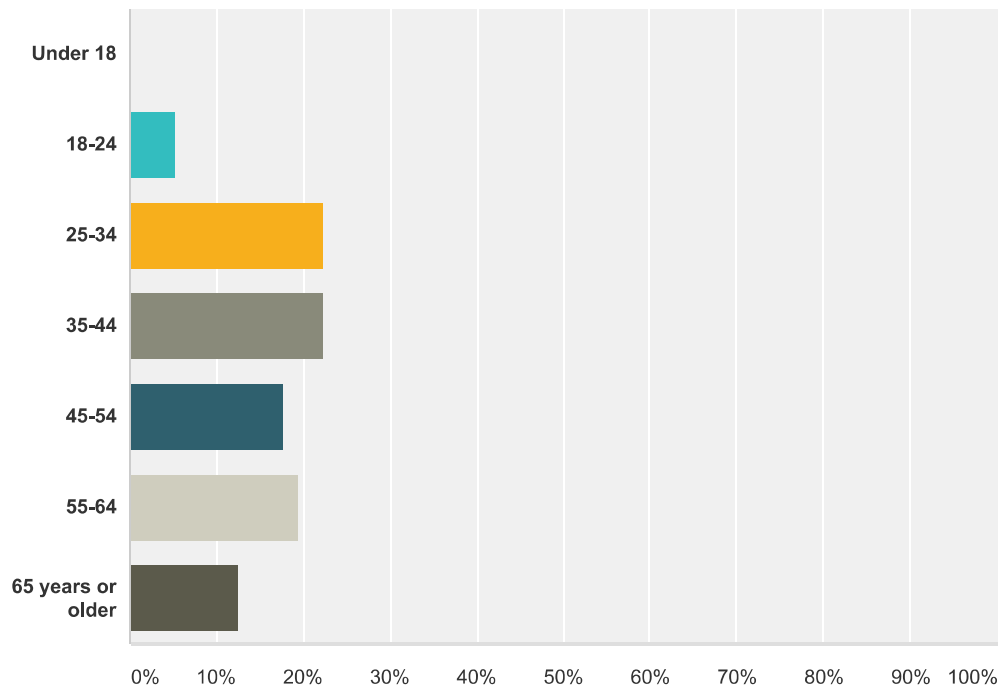
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Answer Choices	Responses
Male	40.13% 124
Female	55.99% 173
Other	0.65% 2
I prefer not to answer	3.56% 11
Total Respondents: 309	

Q23 As of your most recent birthday, what is your age?

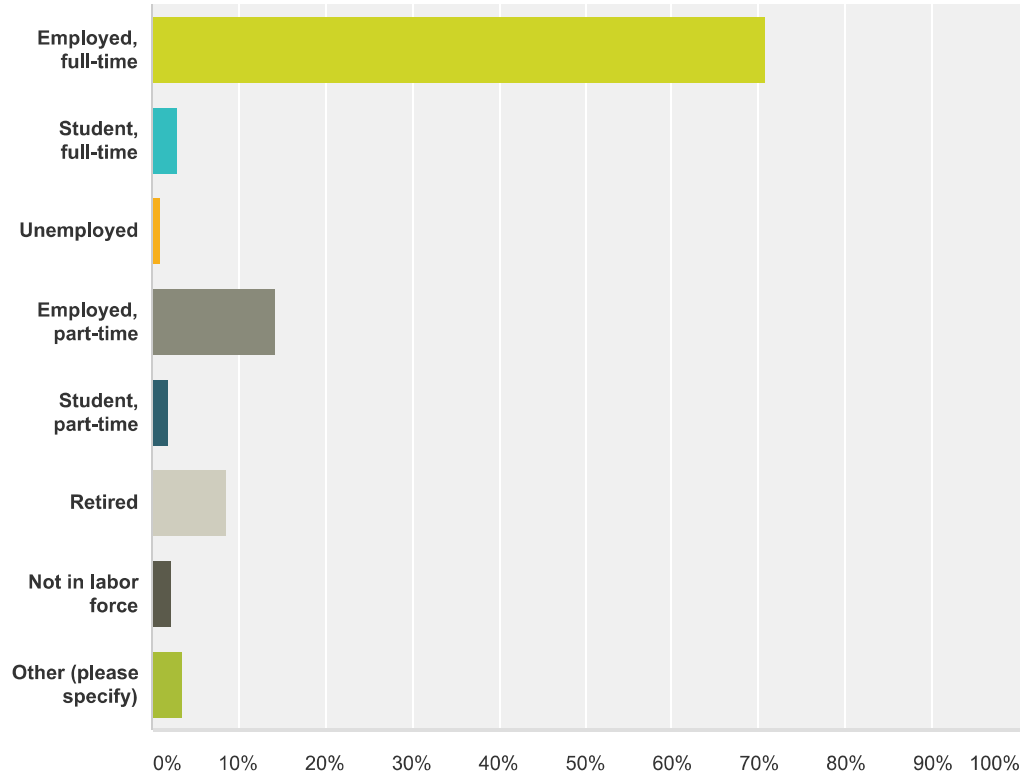
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Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Under 18	0.00%	0
18-24	5.28%	16
25-34	22.44%	68
35-44	22.44%	68
45-54	17.82%	54
55-64	19.47%	59
65 years or older	12.54%	38
Total		303

Q24 Which of the following best describes your current employment status? (Please select all that apply.)

Answered: 305 Skipped: 27



Answer Choices	Responses	
Employed, full-time	70.82%	216
Student, full-time	2.95%	9
Unemployed	0.98%	3
Employed, part-time	14.10%	43
Student, part-time	1.97%	6
Retired	8.52%	26
Not in labor force	2.30%	7
Other (please specify)	3.61%	11
Total Respondents: 305		

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	stay at home parent	11/6/2014 3:01 PM
2	Work on a contract basis or volunteer	11/5/2014 10:04 AM

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3	stay at home parent	11/1/2014 4:23 PM
4	I AM AN INDEPENDENT SHOP OWNER FPR OVER 25 YRS	10/30/2014 10:50 PM
5	Self-employed	10/28/2014 9:15 AM
6	stay at home mom	10/27/2014 4:40 PM
7	self-employed writer	10/27/2014 2:29 PM
8	Employed in the home as well as a homemaker	10/27/2014 8:56 AM
9	Self-unemployed	10/26/2014 11:18 PM
10	Disabled, and hoping to return to work after my degree. I also volunteer within Cambridge.	10/26/2014 9:42 PM
11	self employed	10/26/2014 8:32 PM