

# Parking Lot Districts (PLDs) FY18 Customer Satisfaction Survey

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## **Major Changes to FY18 Survey**



Since 2009, MCDOT Parking Management Services has partnered with CountyStat to administer a customer satisfaction survey every other year. In preparation for the fall 2017 survey, MCDOT asked CountyStat for options to revise the survey questions and methodology as the prior results, while helpful in understanding overall satisfaction, were not useful in determining operational changes that could improve customer service. Based on review of the old survey, CountyStat and MCDOT made the following changes:

- Change the rating scale from a 4 point scale ranging from poor to excellent to a 5 point satisfaction scale from strongly disagree to strongly agree with a neutral option in the middle. The goal with the change was to better determine strength of satisfaction.
- Eliminate the business survey. The business survey was mostly capturing first-floor, public facing businesses and was largely one employee's interpretation of employer and employee satisfaction. By eliminating this survey, resources could be focused on increasing the response rate for the customer survey.
- Removed 3 questions (blocks to destination, purchase method for monthly permit, and length of stay for visitors) from the customer service survey. The questions were not deemed as valuable to MCDOT and by shortening the survey potentially getting more customers to take the survey.

With these significant changes to the survey and the PLD boundaries, the FY18 results are not comparable to prior years' scores. FY18 represents a new baseline for the PLD surveys.

# **FY18 DOT Parking Survey Overview**



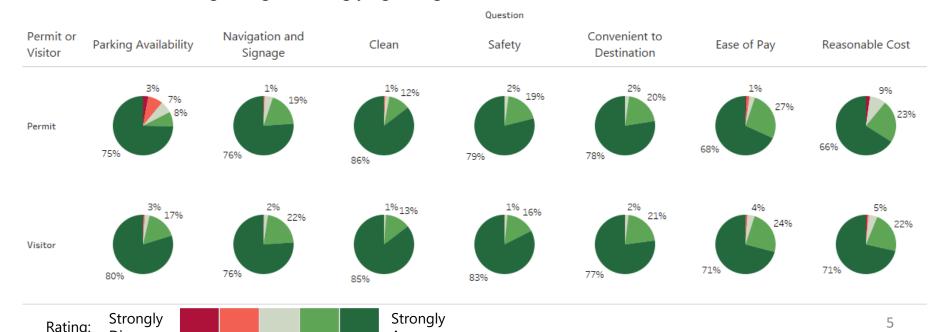
- Purpose: Gauge the current performance of the public parking system from the customers' perspective
- **Audience:** Permit Holders and Visitor/Transient Parkers
  - A breakdown of audience by year is on page <u>10</u>
- Survey Period:
  - Parkers: Weekdays from 7AM-12PM and 3PM-7PM for the weeks of 11/6 and 11/13 for selected parking facilities and Silver Spring on-street parking. The week of 11/27 was used for Bethesda and Wheaton on-street parking.
- **Methodology:** Similar to prior years, contractor personnel circulated through each parking district and each block during the time periods listed above during a typical weekday in an effort to meet and interview a representative sample of permit/visitor parkers. Parking lots and garages surveyed, as shown on page 6, were selected to get a sample of the PLD's varying payment methods, above/below grade, and hourly rates.

## **FY18 DOT Parking Survey General Findings**

Disagree



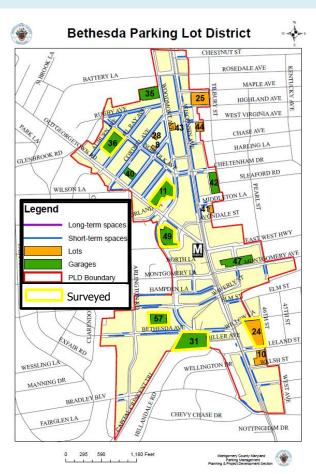
- Overall satisfaction with the Parking Lot District's facilities was high with an average rating of **4.7 out of 5** for both permit and visitor parkers.
- The majority of respondents strongly agreed (5 out of 5) for all 7 questions asked.
- The lowest satisfaction for permit parkers was parking availability with 83% agreeing or strongly agreeing for a score of 4.4/5.0. For visitors, the lowest satisfaction was for reasonable cost compared to private facilities with 93% agreeing or strongly agreeing for a score of 4.6/5.0.

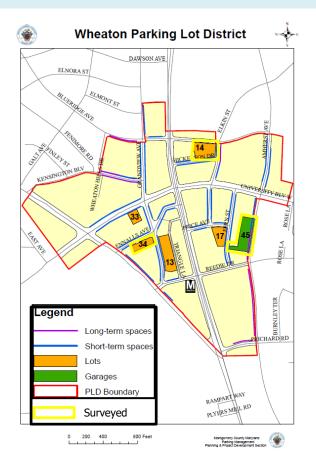


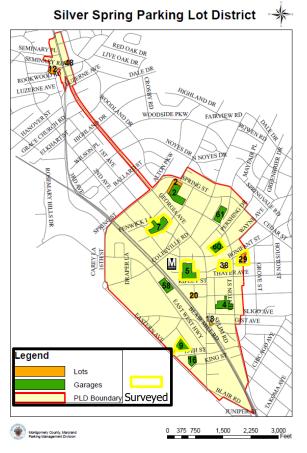
Agree

## Parking District Maps – Bethesda, Wheaton, Silver Spring











## **OLD DOT Parking Survey Questionnaire**



#### **Pedestrian Questionnaire**

POINT OF ACCESS QUESTIONNAIR	E		LOCA	TION			
"Excuse me sir/madam, I'm doing a sur May I ask you 10 quick questions regar		ing your visit here today?"			SURVEYOR'S NAME		
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#### **Business Questionnaire**

Business Parking Customer Service Survey
Business Information
Address (Block)
Type of Business Office Retail Restaurant Other
Please check one: Owner Tenant
Type of Business
Average number of employees on a typical day
Employees' average length of stay on a typical day
Customers' average length of stay on atypical day
Busiest day(s) of the week:
Sum Mon Tues Wed Thurs Fri Sat
Busiest time of day:
Before 9am 9am-11am 11am-1pm 1pm-5pm After 5pm
Do you provide parking for your employees? Yes No
Do you provide parking for your customers/visitors? Yes No
Do your employees or customers park in a Montgomery County parking space and if so where?
Employees: On-St, Surface Lot, Garage
Customers/Visitors: On-St, Surface Lot,, Garage
Unless otherwise noted use the following scale to rate each question:
1. Disagree 2. Somewhat Disagree 3. Agree 4. No Opinion
Customer Surveys:
a. Their parking space is conveniently located
b. They believe that the parking facility/space was safe and secure
c. They believe that parking enforcement is fair
d. The parking space/facility was in good condition (clean, well lit, clear signage)
e. The parking facility was easy to navigate/maneuver within
f. Parking rates are fair
Employee Surveys:
a. Their parking space is conveniently located
b. They believe that the parking facility/space was safe and secure
c. They believe that parking enforcement is fair
d. The parking space/facility was in good condition (clean, well lit, clear signage)
e. The parking facility was easy to navigate/maneuver within
f. Parking rates are fair

## **NEW** DOT Parking Survey Questionnaire



POINT OF ACCESS QUESTIONNAIRE

"Excuse me sir/madam, I'm doing a survey for the Montgomery County,

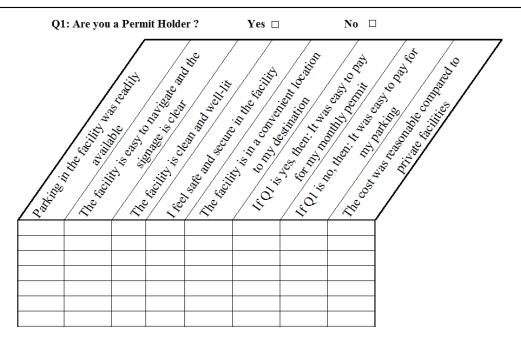
May I ask you 7 quick Questions' regarding your visit here today ?"

Date:
Day:
LOCATION:
SURVEYOR'S NAME:

Garages/Lots: Pedestrian Questionaire Summary

Unless otherwise noted please rate each question using the following scale:

1. Strongly Disagree 2. Somewhat Disagree 3. Neither Agree nor Disagree 4. Somewhat Agree 5. Strongly Agree

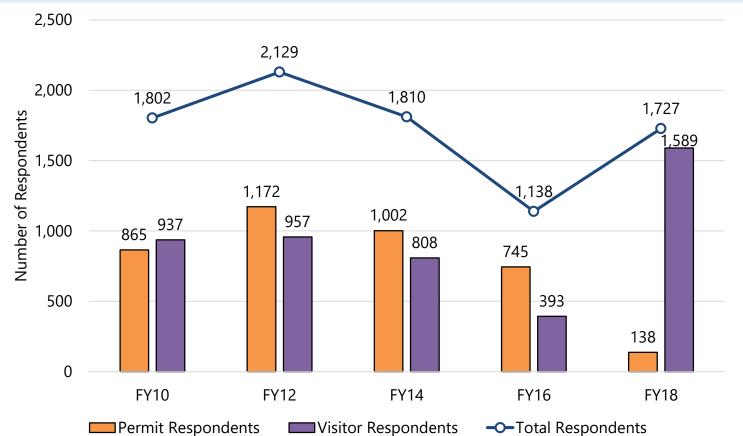




Response Rate

# **Number of Survey Respondents by Year**





The number of survey responses increased 52% from FY16, but was the second-lowest since the survey began. The FY18 survey had a significant drop in permit respondents despite conducting the survey at similar times of day and time of year as past surveys.

**NOTE:** Respondent count excludes "street" parkers for FY10 and FY12 since their responses were not used in calculating the average satisfaction score for those years.



# **Permit Parkers Overview**

#### FY18 Permit Holder Satisfaction by PLD – Average Score



<u>Parking</u> <u>District</u>	<u>Availability</u>	<u>Navigation</u>	<u>Facility</u> <u>Condition</u>	<u>Safety</u> <u>And</u> <u>Security</u>	<u>Destination</u> <u>Convenience</u>	Ease of Payment	Reasonable Cost	<u>Overall</u>
Bethesda	4.2	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.2	4.6
Silver Spring	4.6	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.7	4.7
Wheaton	4.5	4.7	4.8	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.6	4.8
Average	4.4	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.5	4.7

Permit parkers were highly satisfied with every aspect surveyed. No area surveyed for the three parking lot districts fell below 4 (agree). Bethesda permit parkers satisfaction with the cost compared to private facilities was lower compared to the other two parking districts.

<sup>=</sup> Below Average Rating at a Statistically Significant Level

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# FY18 Permit Holder Satisfaction by PLD –

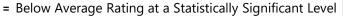
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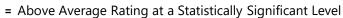


	<u>Parking</u> <u>District</u>	<u>Availability</u>	<u>Navigation</u>	<u>Facility</u> <u>Condition</u>	<u>Safety</u> <u>And</u> <u>Security</u>	<u>Destination</u> <u>Convenience</u>	Ease of Payment	Reasonable Cost	<u>Overall</u>
	Bethesda	71%	90%	98%	96%	94%	90%	78%	88%
S	ilver Spring	90%	99%	96%	99%	100%	97%	97%	97%
	Wheaton	88%	94%	100%	100%	100%	100%	88%	96%
	Average	83%	95%	97%	98%	98%	95%	89%	93%

Permit parkers were highly satisfied with every aspect surveyed. Only Bethesda's parking availability and reasonable cost fell below 80% agree or strongly agree.

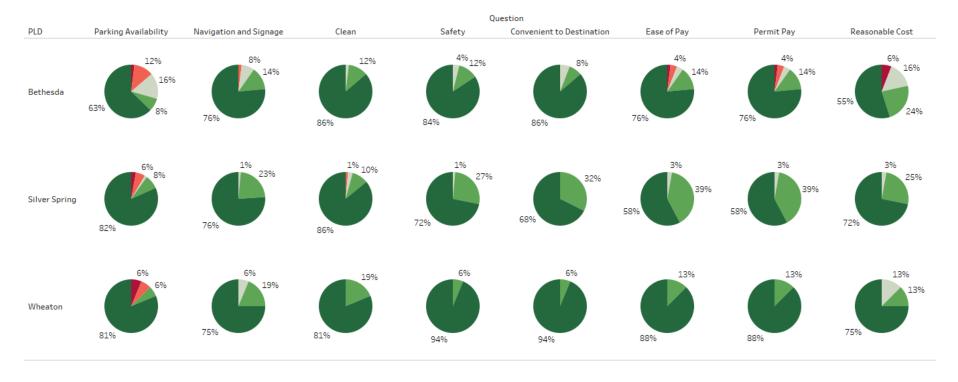






## **FY18 Permit Holder Satisfaction by PLD - Chart**





#### Rating:



## **FY18 Permit Holder Satisfaction by Facility – Average Score**



<u>Garage/</u> <u>Lot</u>	<u>Availability</u>	<u>Navigation</u>	<u>Facility</u> <u>Condition</u>	<u>Safety</u> <u>And</u> <u>Security</u>	<u>Destination</u> <u>Convenience</u>	<u>Sign-up</u> <u>Ease</u>	<u>Cost of</u> <u>Parking</u>	<u>Overall</u>	
Garage 9	3.7	5.0	4.9	4.9	5.0	4.9	4.8	4.7	
Garage 36	4.5	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.5	4.3	4.6	
Garage 7	4.9	4.6	4.7	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.7	4.6	
Garage 11									
Garage 31									
Garage 45									
Garage 49									
Garage 5		N/A O		4h 15 au mau		b			
Garage 57		N/A - U	niy locations wi	tn 15 or more	survey response	es are snown			
Garage 60									
Lot 14									
Lot 29									
Lot 34									
Average	4.4	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.5	4.7	

Key:

Bethesda

**Silver Spring** 

Wheaton

= Above Average Rating at a Statistically Significant Level

= Below Average Rating at a Statistically Significant Level

#### **FY18 Permit Holder Satisfaction by Facility –**

#### **% Agree or Strongly Agree**



<u>Garage/</u> <u>Lot</u>	<u>Availability</u>	<u>Navigation</u>	<u>Facility</u> <u>Condition</u>	<u>Safety</u> <u>And</u> <u>Security</u>	<u>Destination</u> <u>Convenience</u>	<u>Sign-up</u> <u>Ease</u>	<u>Cost of</u> <u>Parking</u>	<u>Overall</u>	
Garage 9	65%	100%	94%	94%	100%	100%	94%	92%	
Garage 36	78%	94%	100%	94%	89%	89%	83%	90%	
Garage 7	100%	100%	94%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	
Garage 11									
Garage 31									
Garage 45									
Garage 49									
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Garage 60									
Lot 14									
Lot 29									
Lot 34									
Average	83%	95%	97%	98%	98%	98%	89%	93%	









# **Visitor Parkers Overview**

#### FY18 Visitor Holder Satisfaction by PLD – Average Score



<u>Parking</u> <u>District</u>	<u>Availability</u>	<u>Navigation</u>	<u>Facility</u> <u>Condition</u>	<u>Safety</u> <u>And</u> <u>Security</u>	<u>Destination</u> <u>Convenience</u>	Ease of Payment	Cost of Parking	<u>Overall</u>
Bethesda	4.8	4.8	4.9	4.9	4.8	4.7	4.6	4.8
Silver Spring	4.6	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.6	4.6	4.7
Wheaton	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.6
Average	4.7	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.6	4.7

Visitors had similarly high satisfaction as permit holders with an overall satisfaction rating of 4.7 out of 5. No area surveyed for the three parking lot districts fell below 4 (agree). The Wheaton PLD was below average on 4 out of 7 survey areas.

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#### FY18 Visitor Holder Satisfaction by PLD – % Agree or Strongly Agree



<u>Parking</u> <u>District</u>	<u>Availability</u>	<u>Navigation</u>	<u>Facility</u> <u>Condition</u>	<u>Safety</u> <u>And</u> <u>Security</u>	<u>Destination</u> <u>Convenience</u>	Ease of Payment	<u>Cost of</u> <u>Parking</u>	<u>Overall</u>
Bethesda	98%	98%	99%	99%	100%	97%	94%	98%
Silver Spring	90%	97%	98%	98%	95%	92%	93%	95%
Wheaton	94%	96%	95%	95%	96%	91%	93%	94%
Average	95%	97%	99%	98%	98%	95%	93%	97%

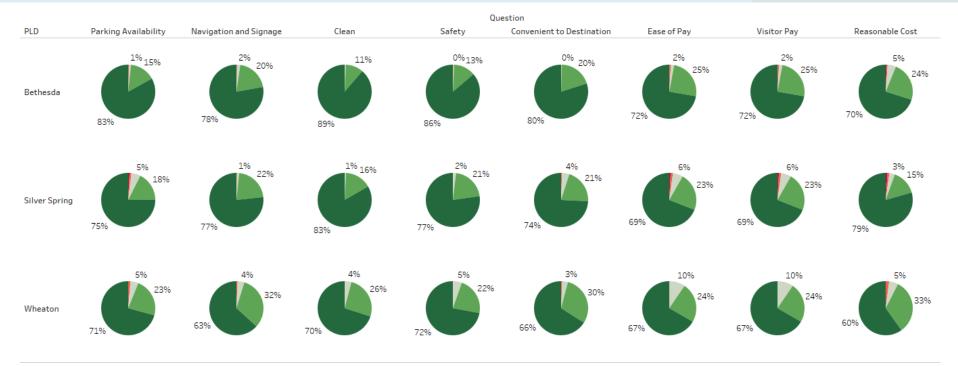
Visitors had similarly high satisfaction as permit holders with an overall satisfaction rating of 4.7 out of 5. No area surveyed for the three parking lot districts fell below 90% agree or strongly agree. The Wheaton PLD was below average on 4 out of 7 survey areas.

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# **FY18 Visitor Holder Satisfaction by PLD - Chart**









### **FY18 Visitor Satisfaction by Facility – Average Score**



<u>Garage/</u> <u>Lot</u>	<u>Availability</u>	<u>Navigation</u>	<u>Facility</u> <u>Condition</u>	<u>Safety</u> <u>And</u> <u>Security</u>	<u>Destination</u> <u>Convenience</u>	<u>Pay</u> <u>Ease</u>	<u>Cost of</u> <u>Parking</u>	<u>Overall</u>
Garage 60	4.7	4.9	5.0	4.8	4.9	4.7	4.8	4.8
Lot 29	5.0	4.9	4.9	5.0	4.8	4.7	4.4	4.8
Wheaton Street	4.5	4.9		5.0		4.9	4.7	4.8
Garage 9	4.6	4.8	4.9	4.9	4.8	4.7	4.8	4.8
Garage 36	4.9	4.8	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.5	4.7	4.8
Garage 31	4.7	4.7	4.9	4.9	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.8
Garage 11	4.9	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.8
Lot 14	4.9	4.7	5.0	5.0	4.8	4.6	4.5	4.8
Garage 57	4.8	4.7	4.9	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.6	4.8
Garage 49	4.8	4.7	4.8	4.9	5.0	4.7	4.4	4.7
Lot 24	4.9	4.9	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.7	4.4	4.7
Lot 38	3.8	4.9	4.9	5.0	4.6	4.6	5.0	4.7
Lot 34	4.7	4.7	4.5	4.8	4.5	5.0	4.4	4.6
Bethesda Street	4.2	4.6		5.0		4.7	4.6	4.6
Garage 5	4.8	4.7	4.8	4.6	4.5	4.4	4.6	4.6
Garage 7	4.7	4.6	4.7	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.6	4.6
Garage 45	4.5	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.5
Silver Spring Street	4.2	4.5		4.8		4.6	4.3	4.5
Average	4.7	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.6	4.7

Key:



= Below Average Rating at a Statistically Significant Level = Above Average Rating at a Statistically Significant Level

#### **FY18 Visitor Satisfaction by Facility –**

#### % Agree or Strongly Agree



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<u>Garage/</u> <u>Lot</u>	<u>Availability</u>	<u>Navigation</u>	<u>Facility</u> <u>Condition</u>	And Security	<u>Destination</u> <u>Convenience</u>	<u>Pay</u> <u>Ease</u>	<u>Cost of</u> <u>Parking</u>	<u>Overall</u>
Garage 60	93%	99%	100%	94%	100%	91%	96%	96%
Lot 29	100%	100%	100%	100%	95%	95%	82%	96%
Wheaton Street	93%	100%		100%		100%	93%	97%
Garage 9	84%	97%	97%	99%	94%	92%	95%	94%
Garage 36	98%	99%	99%	99%	99%	96%	95%	98%
Garage 31	99%	97%	100%	99%	100%	98%	97%	98%
Garage 11	97%	98%	99%	99%	99%	97%	96%	98%
Lot 14	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	89%	94%	98%
Garage 57	98%	99%	99%	99%	100%	97%	98%	99%
Garage 49	96%	92%	97%	100%	100%	95%	79%	94%
Lot 24	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	98%	82%	97%
Lot 38	60%	96%	100%	100%	88%	92%	100%	91%
Lot 34	95%	100%	95%	100%	95%	100%	91%	97%
Bethesda Street	81%	97%		100%		100%	94%	94%
Garage 5	100%	100%	98%	98%	92%	89%	95%	96%
Garage 7	100%	98%	100%	99%	96%	93%	94%	97%
Garage 45	91%	92%	94%	91%	94%	89%	92%	92%
Silver Spring Street	79%	92%		99%		95%	83%	89%
Average	95%	97%	99%	98%	98%	95%	93%	97%

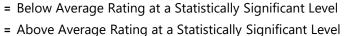
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Bethesda

**Silver Spring** 









Satisfaction compared to Facility Occupancy

# **Occupancy: Facility Satisfaction Rankings Table**



Permit Holders										
<u>Garage/</u> <u>Lot</u>	<u>Availability</u>	<u>Overall</u> <u>Average</u>	Occupancy FY18							
Garage 9	3.7 / 65%	4.7 / 92%	31%							
Garage 36	4.5 / 78%	4.6 / 90%	64%							
Garage 7	4.9 / 100%	4.6 / 99%	78%							
Average	4.4 / 83%	4.7 / 93%								

	Visitor	Parkers	
<u>Garage/</u> <u>Lot</u>	<u>Availability</u>	<u>Overall</u> <u>Average</u>	Occupancy FY18
Garage 60	4.7 / 93%	4.8 / 96%	59%
Lot 29	5.0 / 100%	4.8 / 96%	89%
<b>Wheaton St</b>	4.5 / 93%	4.8 / 97%	N/A
Garage 9	4.6 / 84%	4.8 / 94%	31%
Garage 36	4.9 / 98%	4.8 / 98%	64%
Garage 31	4.7 / 99%	4.8 / 98%	52%
Garage 11	4.9 / 97%	4.8 / 98%	57%
Lot 14	4.9 / 100%	4.8 / 98%	74%
Garage 57	4.8 / 98%	4.8 / 99%	82%
Garage 49	4.8 / 96%	4.7 / 94%	66%
Lot 24	4.9 / 100%	4.7 / 97%	70%
Lot 38	3.8 / 60%	4.7 / 91%	96%
Lot 34	4.7 / 95%	4.6 / 97%	49%
Bethesda St	4.2 / 81%	4.6 / 94%	N/A
Garage 5	4.8 / 100%	4.6 / 96%	38%
Garage 7	4.7 / 100%	4.6 / 97%	78%
Garage 45	4.5 / 91%	4.5 / 92%	34%
SS St.	4.2 / 79%	4.5 / 89%	N/A
Average	4.7 / 95%	4.7 / 97%	

Key:

**Bethesda** 

**Silver Spring** 

Wheaton

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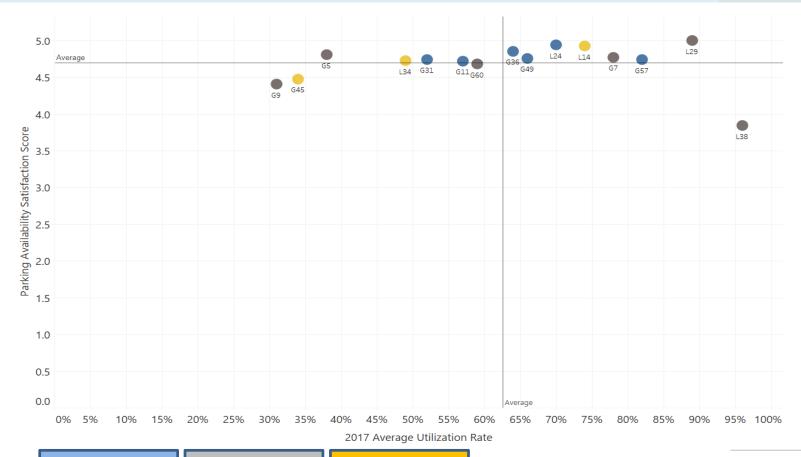
# **Occupancy: Facility Satisfaction Rankings Chart**

**Silver Spring** 

Key:

**Bethesda** 

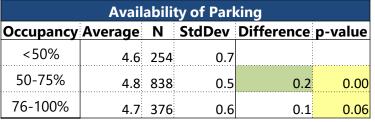




Wheaton

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# **Satisfaction vs. Occupancy for Select Questions**



Feeling of Safety						
Occupancy	Average	N	StdDev	Difference	p-value	
<50%	4.7	254	0.5			
50-75%	4.9	838	0.4	0.2	0.00	
76-100%	4.8	376	0.4	0.1	0.02	

Ease of Navigation							
Occupancy	Average	N	StdDev	Difference	p-value		
<50%	4.7	254	0.6				
50-75%	4.8	838	0.5	0.1	0.01		
76-100%	4.7	376	0.5	0.0	0.30		

Convenience to Destination						
Occupancy	Average	Ν	StdDev	Difference	p-value	
<50%	4.6	254	0.6			
50-75%	4.8	838	0.4	0.2	0.00	
76-100%	4.7	376	0.5	0.1	0.00	

Facility Condition							
Occupancy	Average	N	StdDev	Difference	p-value		
<50%	4.7	254	0.5				
50-75%	4.9	838	0.3	0.2	0.00		
76-100%	4.8	376	0.4	0.1	0.00		



= Avg. Rating Lower than <50% Occupancy at a Statistically Significant Level



= Avg. Rating Higher than <50% Occupancy at a Statistically Significant Level



Across all parking districts and survey respondents, facilities in the 50-75% occupancy range were rated higher than lower and higher utilized facilities. The <50% facilities were brought down by Garage 9 in Silver Spring posting a below average score. The 76%+ facilities were brought down by Lot 38 in Silver Spring which had the lowest satisfaction score of 3.8 for availability.



Satisfaction compared to Facility Grade

### **Above/Below Grade:\* Facility Satisfaction Rankings**



	Permit Holders								
Garage/ Lot	Navigation	Facility Condition	Safety and Security	Overall	Above or Below Grade				
G9	5.0 / 100%	4.9 / 94%	4.9 / 94%	4.7 / 92%	Above				
G36	4.8 / 94%	4.8 / 100%	4.8 / 94%	4.6 / 90%	Above				
<b>G7</b>	4.6 / 100%	4.7 / 94%	4.5 / 100%	4.6 / 99%	Above				
Average	4.7 / 95%	4.8 / 97%	4.8 / 98%	4.7 / 93%					

	Visitor Parkers								
Garage/ Lot	Navigation	Facility Condition	Safety And Security	Overall	Above or Below Grade				
G60	4.9 / 99%	5.0 / 100%	4.8 / 94%	4.8 / 96%	Above				
G9	4.8 / 97%	4.9 / 97%	4.9 / 99%	4.8 / 94%	Above				
G36	4.8 / 99%	4.9 / 99%	4.9 / 99%	4.8 / 98%	Above				
G31	4.7 / 97%	4.9 / 100%	4.9 / 99%	4.8 / 98%	Below				
G11	4.8 / 98%	4.8 / 99%	4.8 / 99%	4.8 / 98%	Above				
G57	4.7 / 99%	4.9 / 99%	4.8 / 99%	4.8 / 99%	Below				
G49	4.7 / 92%	4.8 / 97%	4.9 / 100%	4.7 / 94%	Below				
G5	4.7 / 100%	4.8 / 98%	4.6 / 98%	4.6 / 96%	Above				
G7	4.6 / 98%	4.7 / 100%	4.6 / 99%	4.6 / 97%	Above				
G45	4.5 / 92%	4.6 / 94%	4.5 / 91%	4.5 / 92%	Above				
Average	4.7 / 97%	4.8 / 99%	4.8 / 98%	4.7 / 97%					

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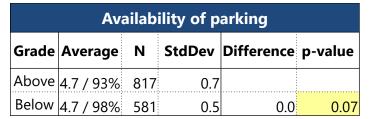
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<sup>\*</sup>Only showing garages

### Impact of Grade on Satisfaction – All Parkers & Garages



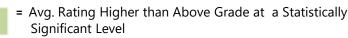
Ease of Navigation						
Grade	Average	N	StdDev	Difference	p-value	
Above	4.7 / 97%	817	0.5			
Below	4.7 / 97%	581	0.6	-0.0	0.26	

Facility Condition						
Grade	Average	N	StdDev	Difference	p-value	
Above	4.8 / 98%	817	0.4			
Below	4.9 / 99%	581	0.4	0.1	0.00	

Feeling of Safety						
Grade	Average	N	StdDev	Difference	p- value	
Above	4.7 / 97%	817	0.5			
Below	4.9 / 99%	581	0.4	0.2	0.00	

Convenience to Destination					
Grade	Average	N	StdDev	Difference	p- value
Above	4.7 / 97%	817	0.5		
Below	4.8 / 100%	581	0.4	0.1	0.00







For parking garages, the 3 below grade facilities were slightly higher rated than the 7 above ground garages for facility condition, feeling of safety, and convenience to destination. However, the differences were only 0.1 and 0.2 points.



Satisfaction compared to Hourly Rates

### **Parking Rates: Facility Satisfaction Rankings Table**



Permit Holders							
Garage/Lot	Cost of Parking	Overall	Short Term Rate				
Garage 9	4.8 / 94%	4.7 / 92%	\$0.70				
Garage 36	4.3 / 83%	4.6 / 90%	\$1.00				
Garage 7	4.7 / 100%	4.6 / 99%	\$0.70				
Average	4.5 / 89%	4.7 / 93%					

	Visitor Parkers								
Garage/ Lot	Cost of Parking	Overall	Short Term Rate						
Garage 60	4.8 / 96%	4.8 / 96%	\$1.00						
Lot 29	4.4 / 82%	4.8 / 96%	\$0.80						
<b>Wheaton St</b>	4.7 / 93%	4.8 / 97%	\$0.75						
Garage 9	4.8 / 95%	4.8 / 94%	\$0.70						
Garage 36	4.7 / 95%	4.8 / 98%	\$1.00						
Garage 31	4.7 / 97%	4.8 / 98%	\$1.00						
Garage 11	4.7 / 96%	4.8 / 98%	\$1.00						
Lot 14	4.5 / 94%	4.8 / 98%	\$0.75						
Garage 57	4.6 / 98%	4.8 / 99%	\$1.25						
Garage 49	4.4 / 79%	4.7 / 94%	\$1.25						
Lot 24	4.4 / 82%	4.7 / 97%	\$1.50						
Lot 38	5.0 / 100%	4.7 / 91%	\$0.80						
Lot 34	4.4 / 91%	4.6 / 97%	\$0.75						
Bethesda St	4.6 / 94%	4.6 / 94%	\$2.25						
Garage 5	4.6 / 95%	4.6 / 96%	\$0.70						
Garage 7	4.6 / 94%	4.6 / 97%	\$0.70						
Garage 45	4.5 / 92%	4.5 / 92%	\$0.75						
SS St	4.3 / 83%	4.5 / 89%	\$1.00						
Average	4.6 / 93%	4.7 / 97%							

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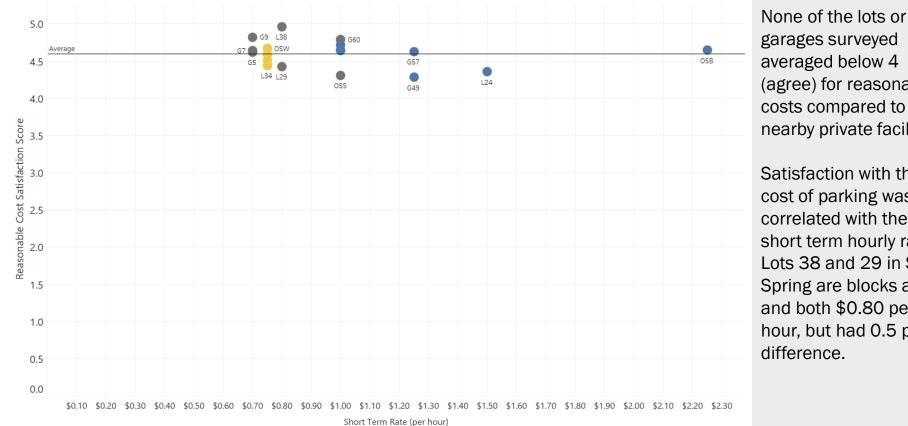
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# **Parking Rates: Facility Satisfaction Rankings Chart**





garages surveyed averaged below 4 (agree) for reasonable costs compared to nearby private facilities.

Satisfaction with the cost of parking was not correlated with the short term hourly rates. Lots 38 and 29 in Silver Spring are blocks apart and both \$0.80 per hour, but had 0.5 point difference.

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Satisfaction compared to Payment System

# **Facility Satisfaction Rankings by Payment System**



Permit Holders							
<u>Garage/</u> <u>Lot</u>			<u>Overall</u>	<u>Payment</u> <u>System</u>			
Garage 9	4.9 / 100%	4.8 / 94%	4.7 / 92%	Pay-by-Space			
Garage 36	4.5 / 89%	4.3 / 83%	4.6 / 90%	Meter			
Garage 7	4.4 / 100%	4.7 / 100%	4.6 / 99%	Pay-by-Space			
Average	4.6 / 98%	4.5 / 89%	4.7 / 93%				

Visitor Parkers						
<u>Garage/</u> <u>Lot</u>	Pay Ease	<u>Cost of</u> <u>Parking</u>	<u>Overall</u>	<u>Payment</u> <u>System</u>		
Garage 60	4.7 / 91%	4.8 / 96%	4.8 / 96%	Pay-on-Foot		
Lot 29	4.7 / 95%	4.4 / 82%	4.8 / 96%	Meter		
Wheaton St.	4.9 / 100%	4.7 / 93%	4.8 / 97%	Meter		
Garage 9	4.7 / 92%	4.8 / 95%	4.8 / 94%	Pay-by-Space		
Garage 36	4.5 / 96%	4.7 / 95%	4.8 / 98%	Meter		
Garage 31	4.8 / 98%	4.7 / 97%	4.8 / 98%	Pay-on-Foot		
Garage 11	4.7 / 97%	4.7 / 96%	4.8 / 98%	Pay-on-Foot		
Lot 14	4.6 / 89%	4.5 / 94%	4.8 / 98%	Meter		
Garage 57	4.6 / 97%	4.6 / 98%	4.8 / 99%	Meter		
Garage 49	4.7 / 95%	4.4 / 79%	4.7 / 94%	Cashier		
Lot 24	4.7 / 98%	4.4 / 82%	4.7 / 97%	Meter		
Lot 38	4.6 / 92%	5.0 / 100%	4.7 / 91%	Meter		
Lot 34	5.0 / 100%	4.4 / 91%	4.6 / 97%	Meter		
Bethesda St.	4.7 / 100%	4.6 / 94%	4.6 / 94%	Meter		
Garage 5	4.4 / 89%	4.6 / 95%	4.6 / 96%	Meter		
Garage 7	4.5 / 93%	4.6 / 94%	4.6 / 97%	Pay-by-Space		
Garage 45	4.5 / 89%	4.5 / 92%	4.5 / 92%	Pay-by-Space		
SS St.	4.6 / 95%	4.3 / 83%	4.5 / 89%	Meter		
Average	4.6 / 95%	4.6 / 93%	4.7 / 97%			

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#### **Impact of Payment System on Satisfaction – All Parkers**



Cost of Parking						
Payment	Average	N	StdDev	Difference*	p- value	
Meter	4.6	791	0.7			
Cashier	4.3	82	1.2	-0.3	0.02	
Pay-by- Space	4.6	333	0.7	0.1	0.03	
Pay-on- Foot	4.7	521	0.6	0.1	0.00	

Ease of Payment / Ease of Sign-up					
Payment	Average	N	StdDev	Difference*	p- value
Meter	4.6	791	0.6		
Cashier	4.7	82	0.8	0.1	0.22
Pay-by- Space	4.6	333	0.7	0.0	0.16
Pay-on- Foot	4.8	521	0.5	0.2	0.00

Only one facility, Garage 49 in Bethesda, uses a cashier and it had lower satisfaction for cost of parking compared to other methods. It's reasonable cost score was lowest in the Bethesda PLD with 79% of permit and visitor parkers agreeing or strongly agreeing.

<sup>\*</sup>Compared to metered facilities

Cost of Parking**						
Credit?	Average	N	StdDev	Difference	p- value	
Yes	4.6	1,349	0.7			
No	4.6	378	0.7	0.0	0.37	

Ease of Payment**						
Credit?	Average	N	StdDev	Difference	p-value	
Yes	4.6	1,349	0.6			
No	4.6	378	0.7	0.0	0.40	

<sup>\*\*</sup>Note: The credit card "yes/no" field is based on the **ability** to use a credit card in the facility.

= Avg. Rating Lower than Meter at a Statistically Significant Level

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Two out of the three pay-byspace facilities surveyed were below average for ease of payment. Pay-on-Foot was the highest rated for ease of payment.

7 facilities surveyed did not accept credit cards. There was no significant difference in cost or payment satisfaction scores for facilities that do not accept credit cards.