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Kennebunkport Climate Action Survey Results

381 responses received

Concerns About Climate

77%

of respondents were **very or extremely concerned** that climate change will affect Kennebunkport over the coming decades. **This rose to 87% among younger respondents (under 44).**

Top 3 Expected Climate-Related Impacts:

1. Natural environment

Over 80% level of concern



2. Infrastructure

Over 80% level of concern



3. Economy

56% level of concern



Younger respondents' levels of concern were **15% – 20% higher.**

Less than 8% of all respondents and **0% of younger respondents** did not expect to see any climate change related impacts.

Items of High Concern:

reported by **3/4** of all respondents and **87%** of younger respondents



1. Flooding



2. Erosion

3. Changes to the natural environment

4. Reduction in fish and lobster stocks

Only 1/3 of respondents had any concerns about **risk to municipal tax revenue** or **challenges to providing public safety services.**

Learning More

Kennebunkporters are interested in learning more about:



1. Community Solar



2. Adding solar panels



3. Weatherizing their homes

Most attractive learning methods:

1. Emails



2. Town newsletters



3. Websites



4. Talks from experts



Ranked highest by younger respondents

1/3 of respondents would be interested in **neighborhood gatherings**,

only **1/5** in **large public meetings**.

Younger respondents ranked **big meetings** higher than **neighborhood events**.

Younger respondents ranked

access to rideshare & carpools



significantly higher than older individuals, for whom it was of little interest.

