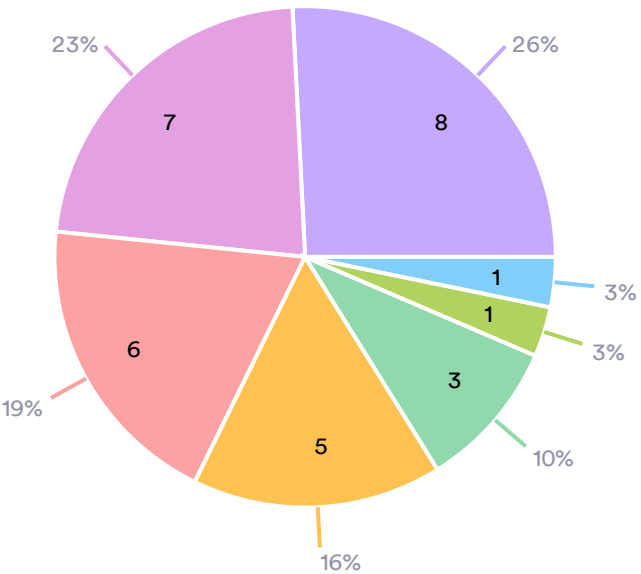


# Whiteside survey - Nov 24

## Results

Regarding the fire ant program in Whiteside, which of the below are you unhappy/concerned about?

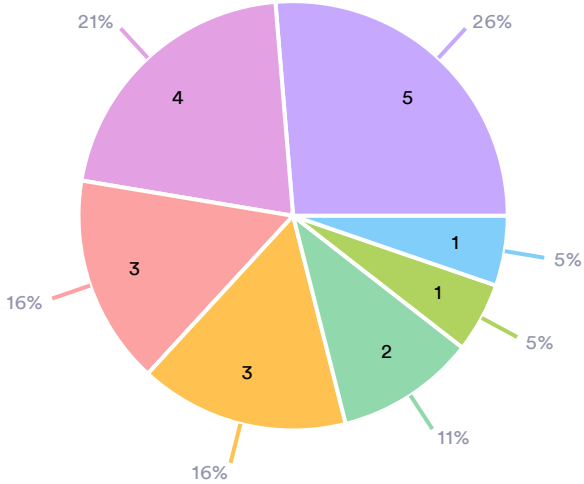
31 Responses



- Safety to the environment/humans/pets
- Entry into private property
- Nothing, the program is fine
- Effectiveness of the program
- Cost of the program
- Entry into property is fine as long as permission is granted on the day
- Insufficient explanation/education before the treatment was carried out

What do you think should be changed about the program in Whiteside?

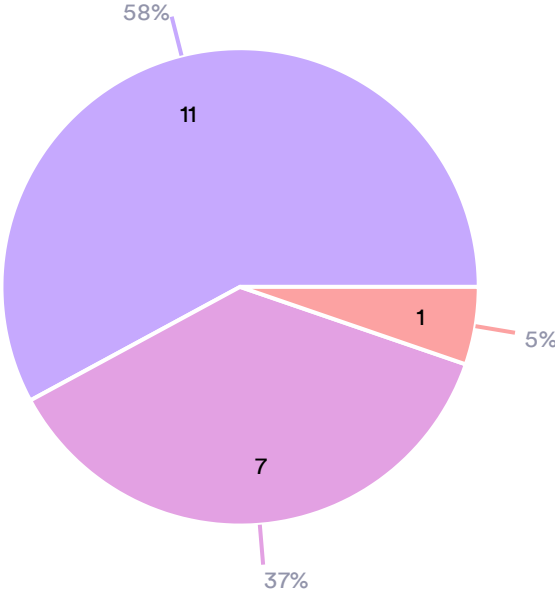
19 Responses



- Instead of baiting on properties, program crews should only enter to search for fire ant nests and then treat them if found.
- Nothing, it's fine the way it is.
- The program isn't doing enough; it should be expanded.
- Instead of baiting on properties, the govt should subsidise property owners/their pest controllers to identify & treat fire ant nests on their property.
- Program personnel should only enter a property to treat a fire ant nest that has been reported.
- On foot baiting should continue, but aerial spraying should stop.
- Property owners should self-manage fire ants entirely at their own cost and discretion (like what is done for termites).

Which of the below best describes your view on fire ant management on private property?

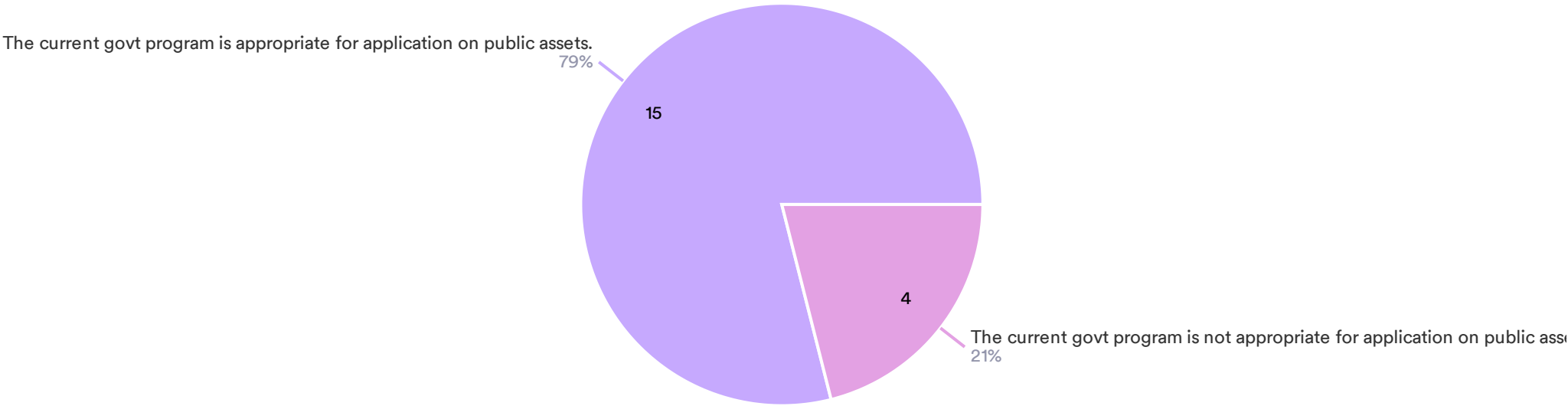
19 Responses



- The govt should be responsible for managing fire ants on private property.
- Property owners should be given the option to manage fire ants on their property or enrol their property in a government program.
- Property owners should be responsible for managing fire ants on private property.

Which of the below best describes your view on fire ant management on public assets?

19 Responses



● The current govt program is appropriate for application on public assets. ● The current govt program is not appropriate for application on public assets.

Would you like to comment?

9 Responses- 10 Empty

Data
Yes, the Government should continue to erridcate fire ants in QLD and similarly in NSW. This should not be outsourced as it will be rorted by contractors, who will take the money and leave us with Fire ants.
I have no current concerns with the way the program is being delivered
Extremly important program, we have not seen fire ants on our property, but feel unable to deal with the issue personally, much better for the trained government people to it. We are very worried about native wildlife being harmed, we have no domestic pets on our property, partly due to our age, our wildlife is and endless sourse of joy, keeping them safe is our priority, please do your best to keep them safe.
No, except to say thank you for taking the initiative
The previous survey and this survey is quite misleading and biased against the current fire ant program without any verified scientific data. We need to let the experts get on and do their job, that is what they are paid to do. There are too many keyboard experts spreading unfounded theories and ill informed information with faceless surveys that scares the public and promotes conspiracy theories.
The current program is a mismanaged joke. Another government blunder that is poisoning our ecosystem.
I am happy that something is being done about the fire ant situation even though I don't really know if they are in my property or not.
They need to be stopped, so you can enter as much as you need. Ps the people doing the job where all happy and very helpful professionals
The government is concerned about fire ants spreading and causing damage, therefore it is something that they are responsible (at least in part) to preside over. I think the option of private individual pest controllers then being organised by private property owners (with government subsidy) allows choice for who will carry out the treatment and also accountability for any adverse effects. Having a contractor carry out the work means it can still be done to an agreed government standard; It will also support local businesses.

# Thank You!

Whiteside survey - Nov 24