#### Digital Access in the City of Austin

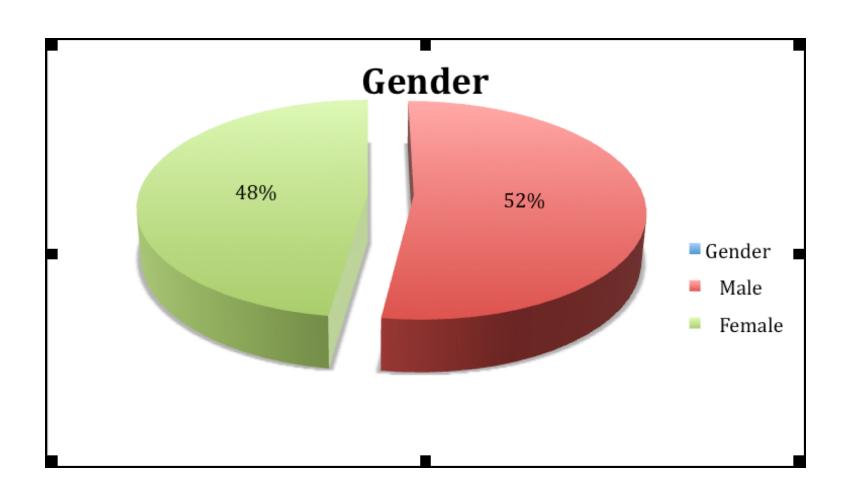
## Report to the Austin Community Technology and Telecommunications Commission

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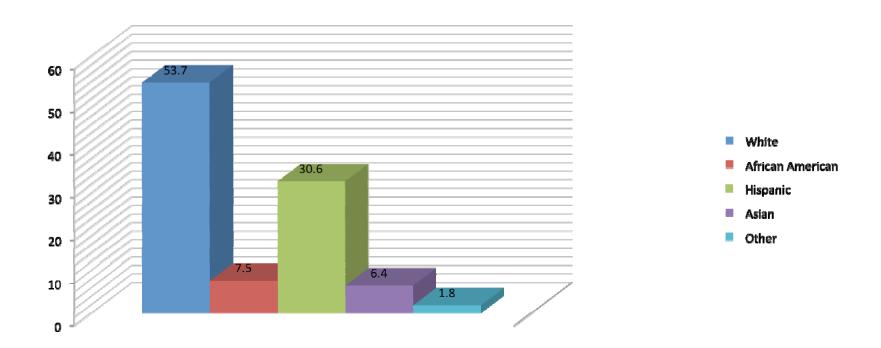
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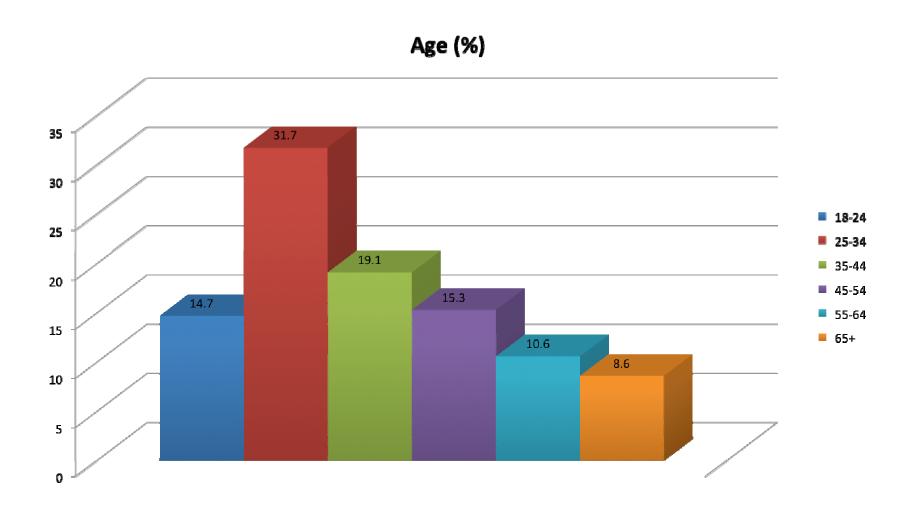
### Background on Austin survey

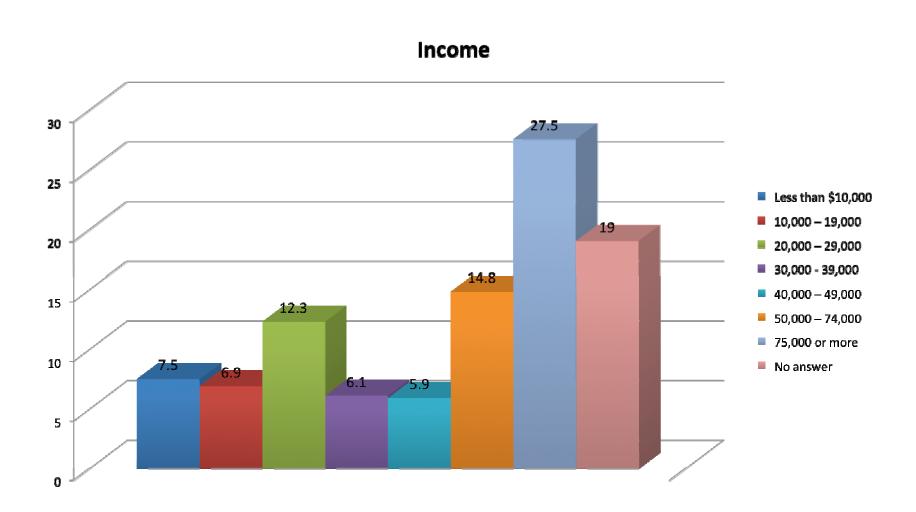
- A core sample of 12,000, plus 3,000 oversample of individuals in NE, E, and SE Austin
- Questionnaire mailed to homes in November 2010, filling it out promoted by city, notably on Univision
- 1701 returned for 12% return rate, very good for this kind of study, data entered by TARA and UT RTF
- Compared with 2010 census data, returned surveys tilted somewhat too old, educated, female and white
- So Dr. Chen, with city demographer Ryan Robinson, applied a statistical weighting to make the sample representative

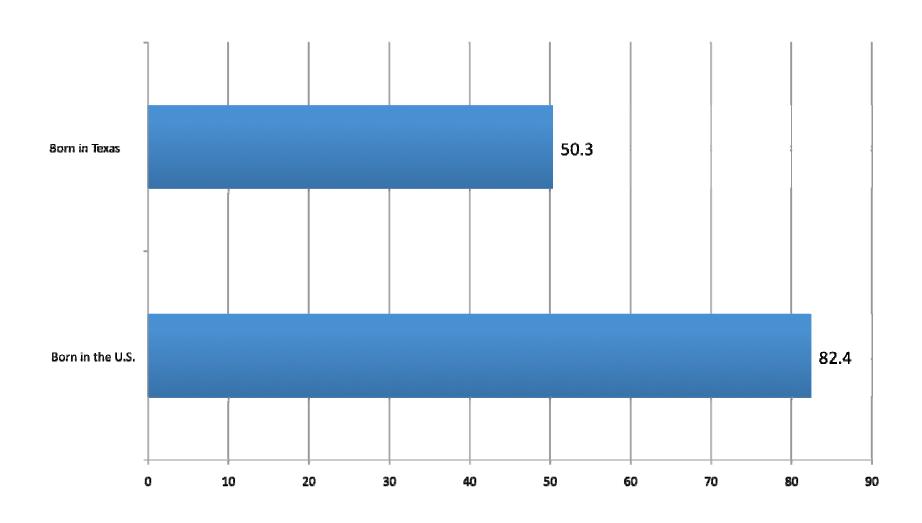


#### Ethnicity (%)

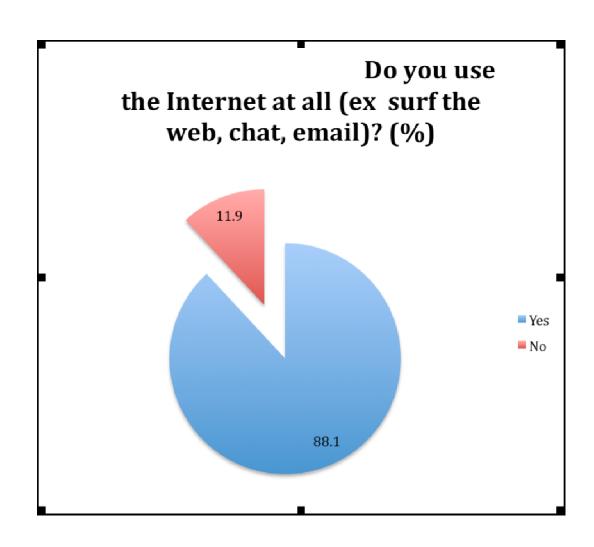




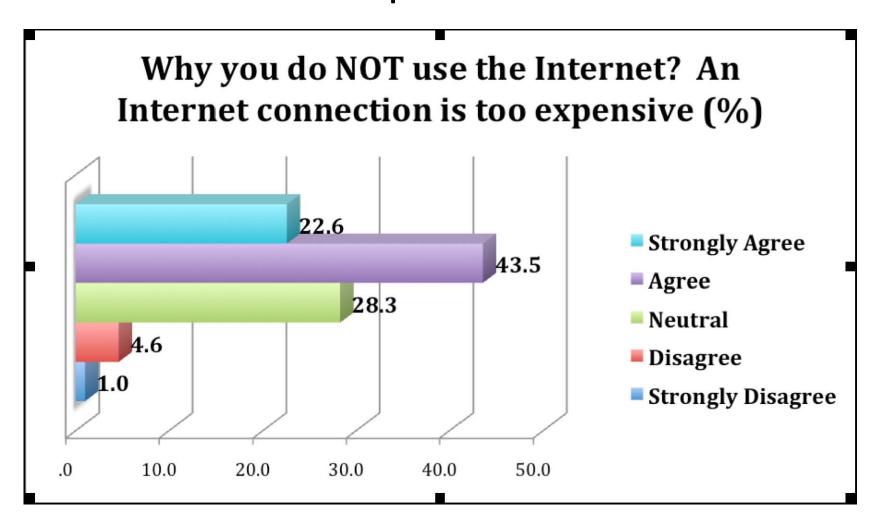




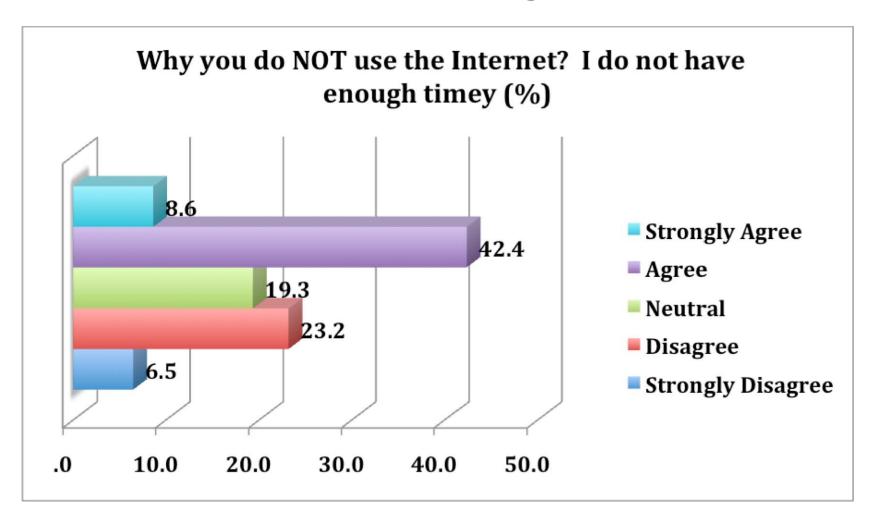
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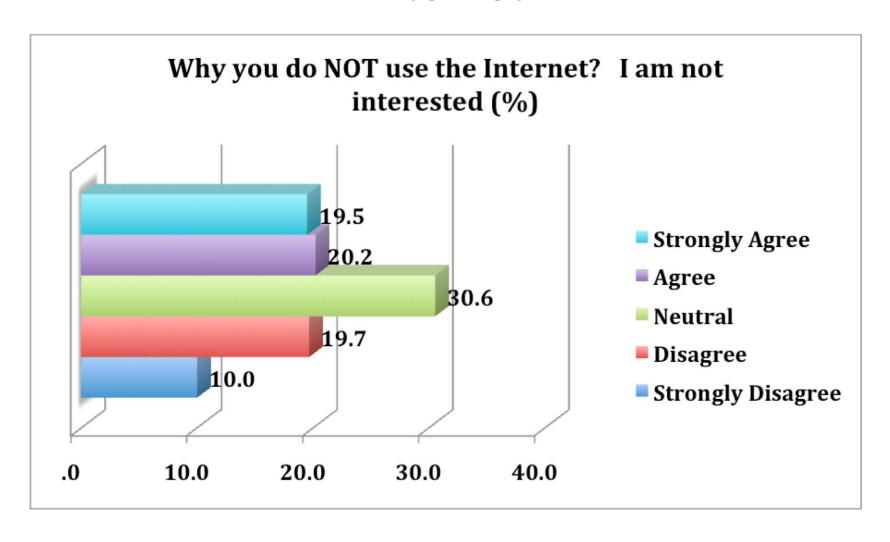
## Non-users who think Internet too expensive



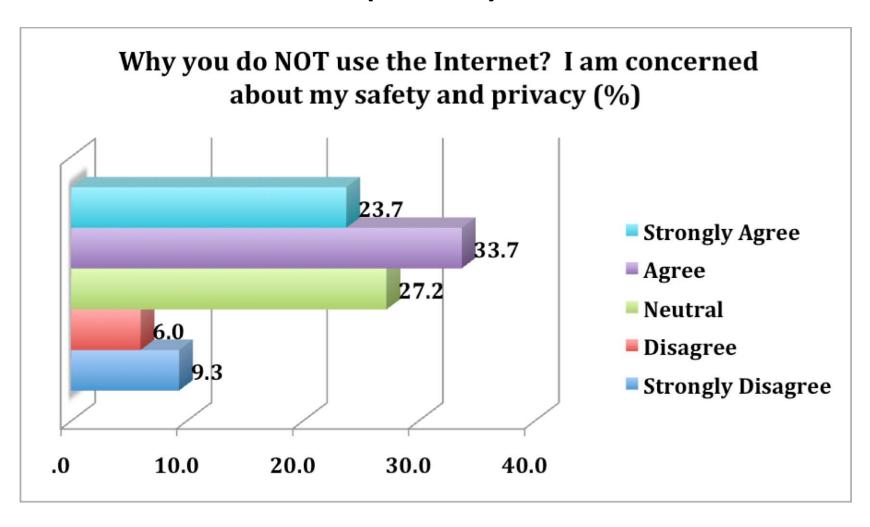
# Non-users who think Internet too time consuming



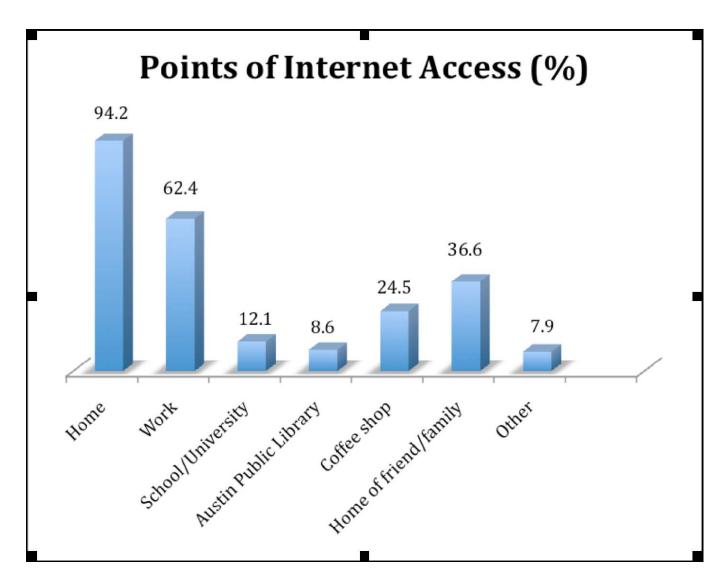
### Non-users who are not interested in Internet



# Non-users who are concerned about privacy



#### Primary points of internet access in Austin



Note: multiple responses were possible

## Where Austinites use the Internet (multiple responses possible)

Home use widespread Less for \$20-30,000

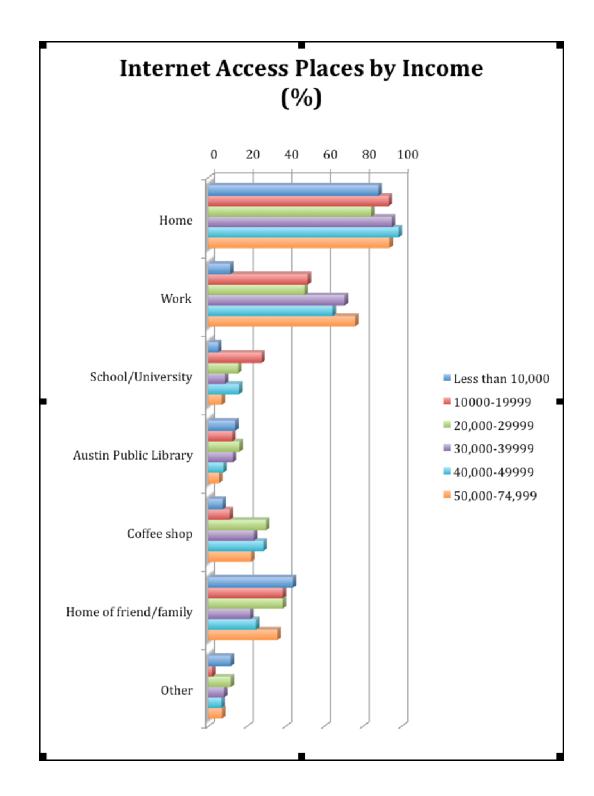
Work use primarily by incomes over \$30,000

School use most important for \$10-20,000

APL use significant for all but most for under \$40,000

Coffee shop access mostly for over \$20,000

Homes of family, friends significant for many, most under \$30,000



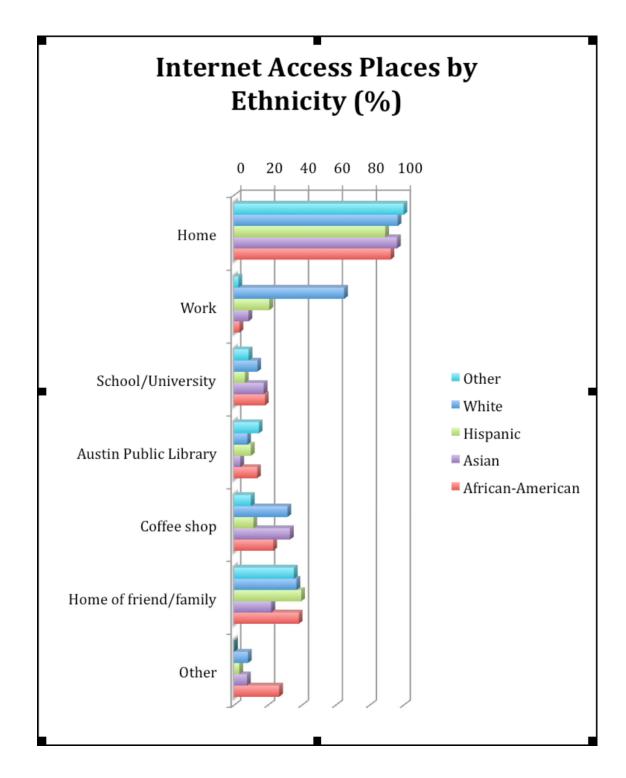
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Home use widespread

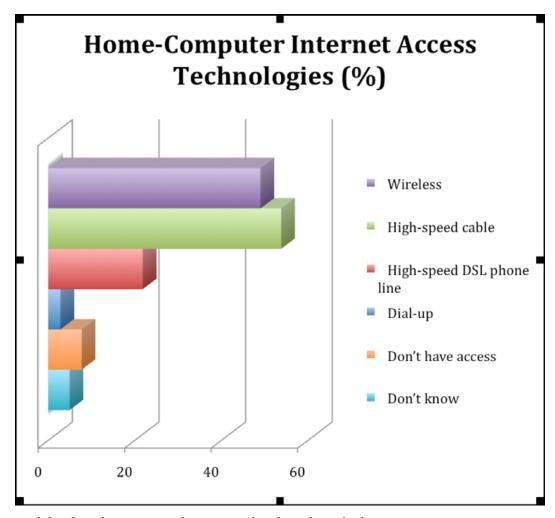
Less for African-American, Hispanic

Work use primarily white School use most important for African-American, Asian

APL use significant for all but Asian population
Coffee shop access mostly for white, Asian
Homes of family, friends significant for many, most for Hispanic, African-American

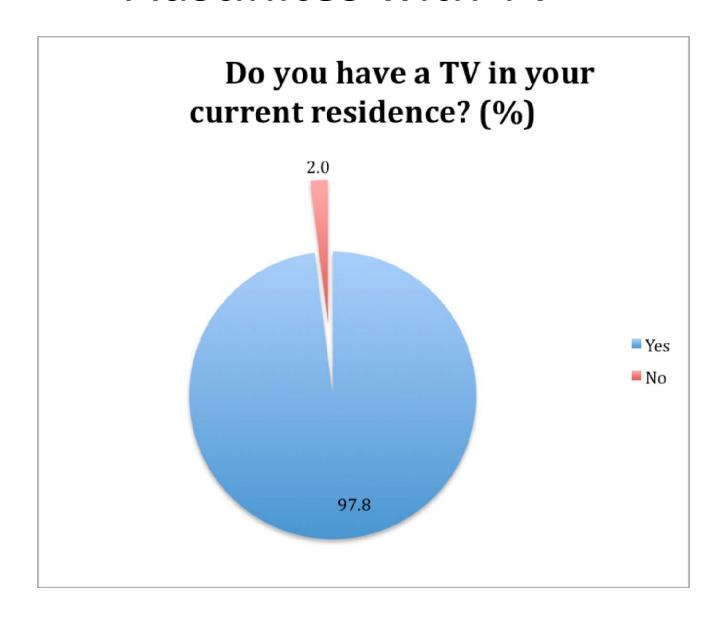


## How people in Austin access the Internet at home

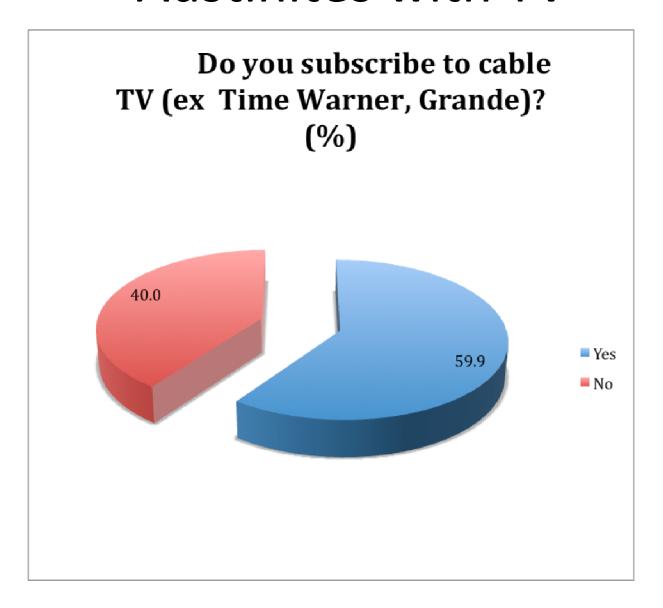


Note: it is likely that wireless includes both home routers connected to cable and DSL, as well as some using newer direct wireless services

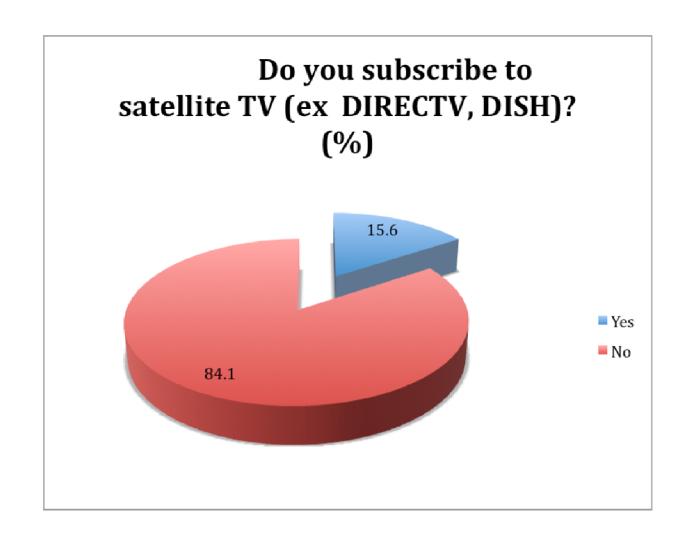
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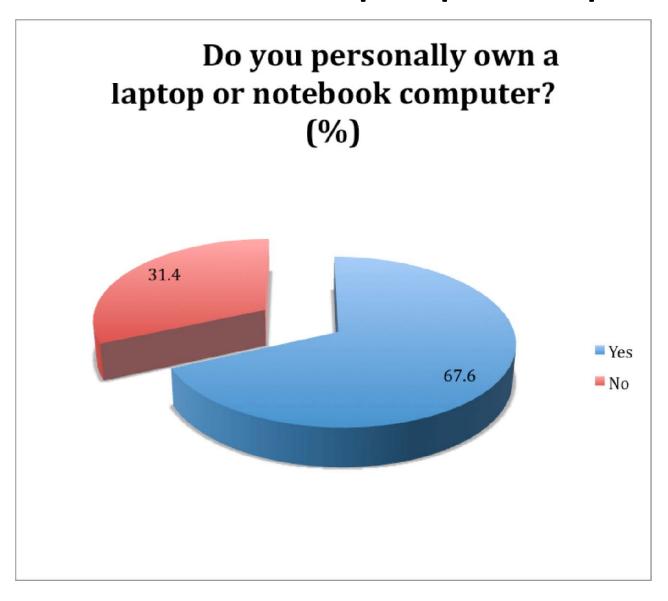
#### Austinites with TV



#### Austinites with satellite TV



### Austinites with laptop computers



### Internet Access Via Cell / WiFi

#### **Table 10. Internet Access Technologies of Entire Sample**

Internet access	(n= 1,228)
Cell phone	65.9
WiFi/Wireless	85.0
4G or WiMax	7.3
City of Austin's free WiFi	9.8

Percentages add more than 100% because of multiple responses

## Austinites with cellphones

