



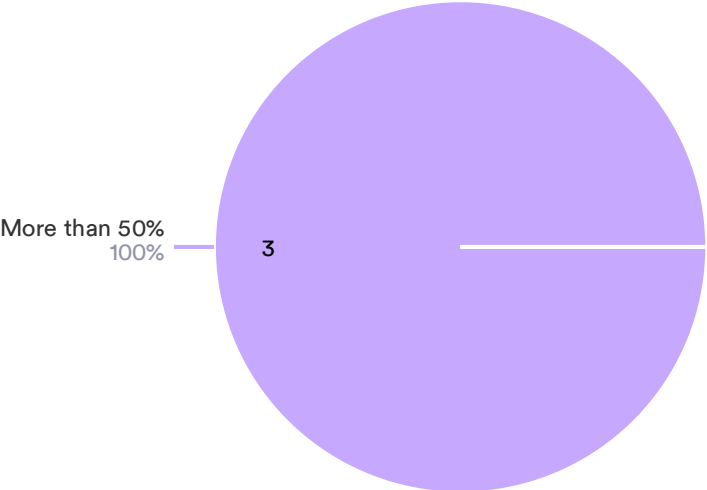
Comal County Conservation Alliance

# Night Skies Report

October 2020

How many Americans do you think cannot see stars in the night sky.

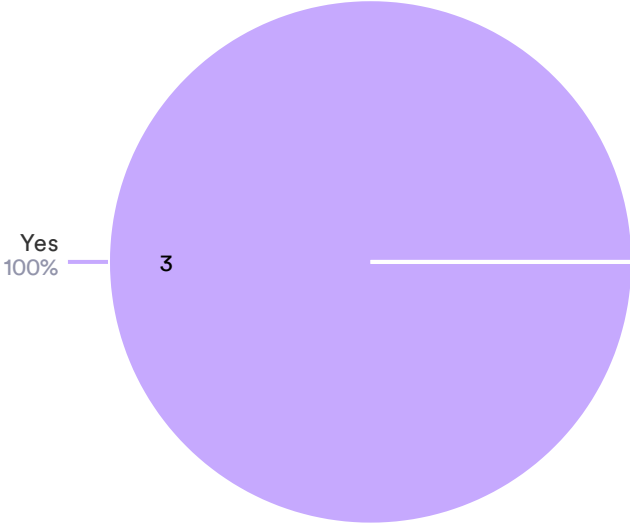
3 Responses



● More than 50%

Do you have great memories of stargazing?

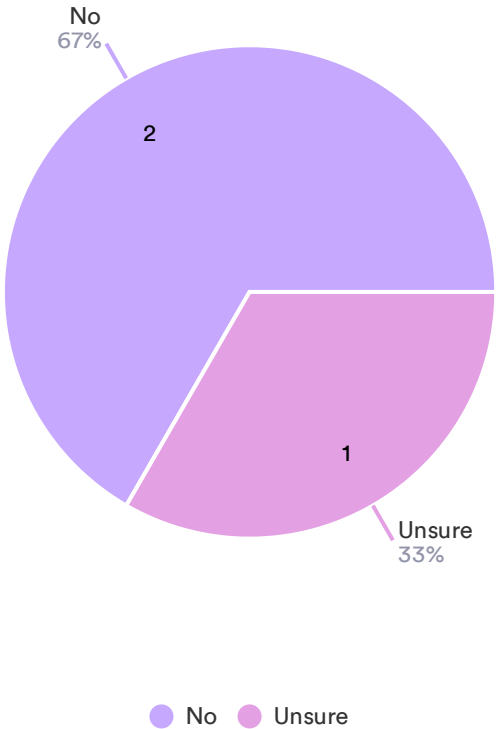
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● Yes

## Can you see the Milky Way at night from your home in Comal County?

3 Responses



## Have you noticed a change in the quality of the night sky since you started living in Comal County? If so, please describe it.

3 Responses

Data	Responses
No. Been living here since 2011.	1
Yes, we moved here 20 years ago, and it seems we are seeing fewer stars than we used to.	1
Yes! In Spring Branch between 1999 and 2005 I could look up and see a sky full of stars. Enjoyed meteor showers. After moving into the NB ETJ, just outside Gruene, in late 2005 we could see stars but as not as many and the sky was not dark. It's only gotten worse since then and recently I've noticed that I can only see a few stars are planets at night.	1

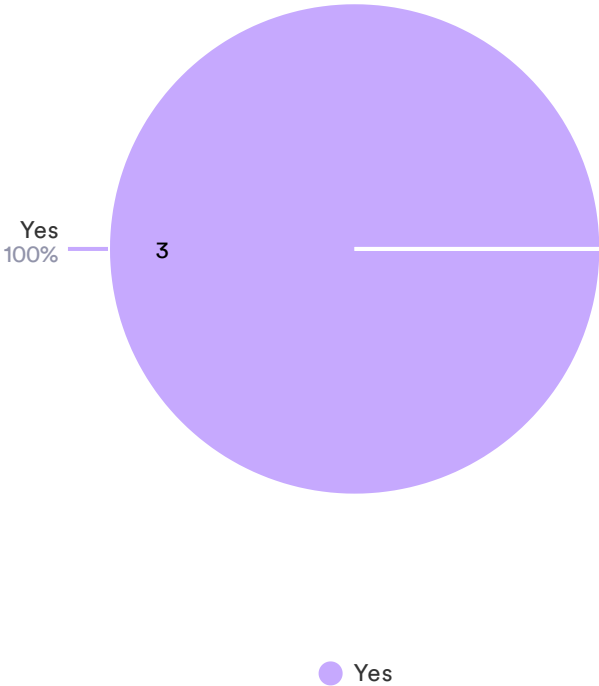
In the time that you have lived in Comal County, have you noticed an increase in glare from outdoor lighting when driving? If so, are there particular areas that come to mind?

3 Responses

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1. We live 2 miles from Canyon Lake High School. Their outdoor stadium lights create a glare. 2. When we drive from the Canyon Lake area toward New Braunfels on 306 at night, the whole horizon is lit up. I think we are seeing all the lights along I-35.	1
No, not glare, but I do see an increase in glow. Shopping centers, schools (from stadium lights) and a perpetual glow on the horizon when I look toward NB.	1

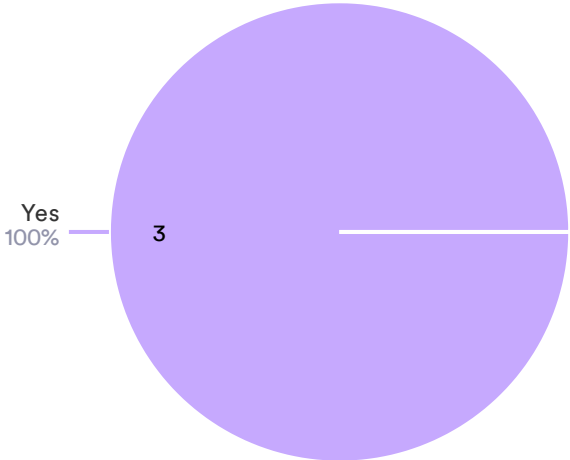
Do you think it's important to make sure your lights don't shine onto neighboring properties or up into the sky?

3 Responses



Would a neighborhood or HOA with dark sky requirements for outdoor lighting be more attractive to you than one without those requirements?

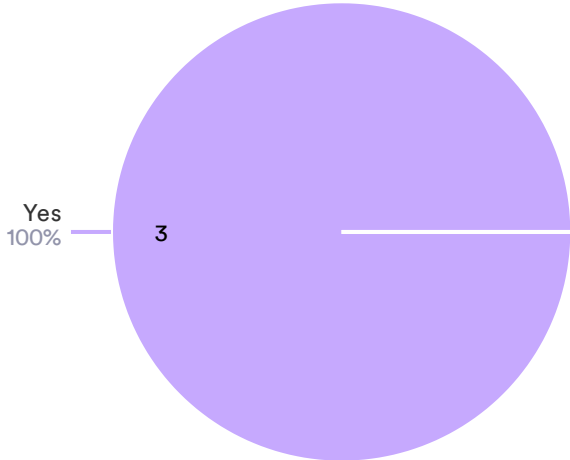
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● Yes

Do you think that preservation of our dark skies and access to dark places to stargaze are good reasons (in concert with other reasons) for the county to support land conservation?

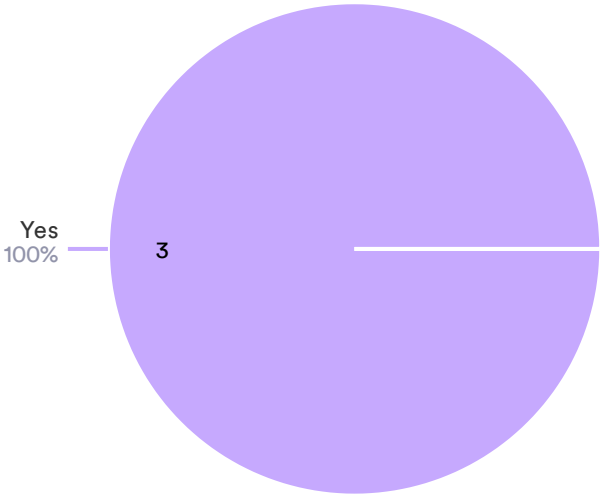
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● Yes

Do you think cities in Comal County should pursue effective strategies to reduce light pollution?

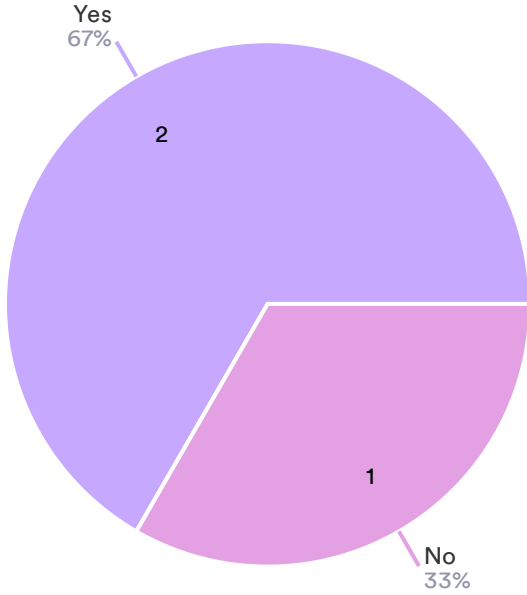
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● Yes

Would you like to be more involved in night sky preservation?

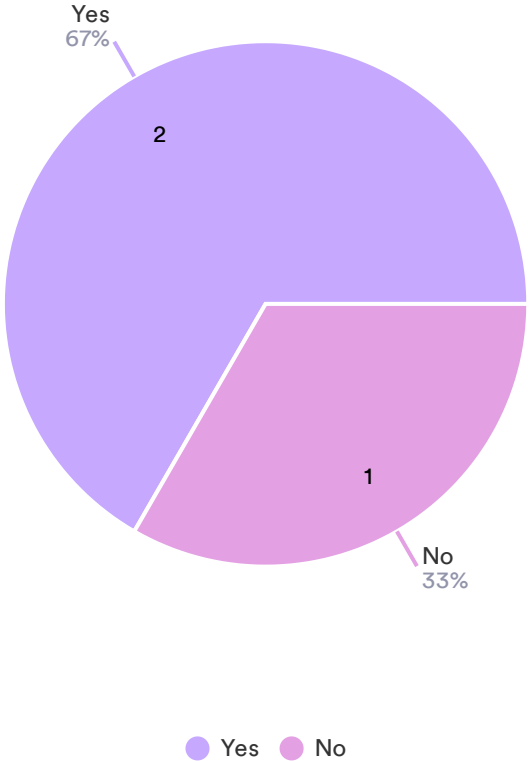
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● Yes ● No

Are you a resident of Comal County?

3 Responses



Name

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**Thank You!**

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