

**MONTPELIER CARR LOT PARKING STUDY
CARR LOT SURVEY RESULTS**

1 *What was the primary reason why you drove to Montpelier today?*

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| Work – all-day | 16 |
| Work- part-time | 2 |
| Work – attend meeting/appointment, etc. | 2 |
| Personal – shopping/recreational/social | |
| Other: | 1 (Course given at AARP office) _____ |

2 *How long did it take to walk to your destination from the Carr Lot?*

| | |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Less than 5 minutes | 14 |
| 6-10 minutes | 6 |
| 11-15 minutes | |
| About 20 minutes | |
| More than 30 minutes | |
| Other: | |

3 *On average, how many days a week do you travel to downtown Montpelier?*

| | |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Once or twice a week | 3 |
| 3-4 times per week | 1 1 (during Legislature only) |
| 5 times per week | 12 |
| More than 5 times per week | 3 |
| Other: | 1 Maybe 1 or ever other month |

4 *How often do you usually park in the Carr Lot?*

| | |
|--|--|
| Every time I come to Montpelier | 10 |
| When I need to spend more than a couple of hours in downtown | 2 |
| Only when on –street parking is unavailable | |
| This is the first time I’ve ever parked in this lot | 1 |
| Other: | 1 <u>State lots are full</u> 3 <u>When Capital Plaza lot is full</u> 1 <u>whenever the gov’t is in session</u> 1 <u>while working</u> 1 <u>work in office on State St – park in Carr 5 days/week</u> |

5 *Why did you decide to park in the Carr Lot?*

| | |
|--|---|
| The location is convenient | 7 |
| The price is reasonable | 4 |
| The facility is good (i.e. clean, well-lit, covered, etc.) | 2 |
| There was no other parking available | 11 |
| Other: | 1 (agency changed some parking spaces) 1 (I have a Capitol Plaza Lot permit) 1 (forced, priced out of other lots) |

6 *How did you pay for your parking today?*

| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| Paid daily rate | 10 1 (would like monthly pass but none available) |
| I have a monthly pass | 6 |
| Other: | 1 1 (<u>Carr is one of the alternate lots for persons whose offices are in the Capitol Plaza building. I have a permit.</u>) 1 (<u>included with office rent at Capitol Plaza</u>) |

7 *If you were making the same trip as you did today, under the same conditions (i.e. weather, number of passengers, items carried, etc.) would you be willing to*

a. **Walk an additional 5 minutes to and from your destination to the parking lot?**

Yes 5

No 11

1 (I love to walk, but when I come to Mont. To work, I have to carry heavy work materials.)

Unsure 2

1 (at 10 below--?)

b. *Take a free shuttle bus ride to and from your destination from another free parking area further away from the downtown than the Carr Lot?*

Yes 1 (If they ran more often and the lot were on the east side of town)

No 13

Unsure 1 (Depending on how often it runs – I often work late.)

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1 (depends on frequency of bus & whether I can wait for it in the car or a warm shelter)

8 *When you decide where to park, how important are the following amenities and facilities?*

| | Not Important | | | | Very Important |
|---|---------------|----------|----------|----------|----------------|
| The lot is covered | 14 | 2 | 2 | | 1 |
| The lot is well-lit | 1 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Pedestrian access is easy | | 1 | 2 | 8 | 9 |
| It is a secure lot with controlled access | 6 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 3 |
| Parking is inexpensive | 1 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 10 |
| The location is convenient | 1 | | | 2 | 17 |

9 *If you had a choice, where would you park?*

On the street

City Center Garage **3**

Behind City Hall **1**

Capital Plaza Lot **11**

60 State Street **1**

Behind Aubuchon Hardware **2**

Other **1** Anywhere close to the bank and less expensive than \$2 a day
1 Jacob's Lot
1 Behind Thrush Tavern

10 *Please rank the following five options in terms of your preference with 1 as most preferred and 5 as least preferred*

| | | | | | | |
|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|
| Pay higher fees to park downtown | 1-5 | 2-1 | 3-1 | 4-1 | 5-9 | NA-1 |
| Pay lower fees to park, about 2-3 minutes (walking) from downtown | 1-7 | 2-8 | 3-1 | 4-3 | 5- | |
| Park free about 5 minute (walking) from downtown | 1-6 | 2-2 | 3-7 | 4-1 | 5-2 | |
| Park free about 10 minutes (walking) from downtown with frequent shuttle service to downtown with a small fee required to ride the shuttle | 1- | 2-3 | 3-3 | 4-7 | 5-5 | |
| Park free about 15 minutes (walking) from downtown with frequent FREE shuttle service to downtown | 1-1 | 2-1 | 3-2 | 4-1 | 5-13 | |

11 *Are you*

Male **6**
 Female **14**

12 *What is your age category?*

| | Male | Female |
|----------|----------|----------|
| Under 21 | | |
| 21 to 35 | | 2 |
| 36 to 54 | 3 | 8 |
| 55 to 64 | 3 | 1 |
| Over 64 | | 2 |

COMMENTS:

- ⇒ **My comments represent myself and my business partner. We are freelance court reporters and work for several state agencies as well as private law firms. We carry approximately 20 pounds of equipment with us to every hearing and meeting. Close proximity to State Street is our number one concern. We would gladly pay more than \$2 a day for the convenience of parking close to the AG's office, the PSB and the DPS, 112 State Street. Joann Carson**

- ⇒ **Bus the friggin legislators. They are the problem! State employees work year around. They come in, take all the parking spaces – screw up everything they possibly can and then go home. They need a parking garage in back of Thrush Tavern.**

- ⇒ **I work at 52 State Street and previously parked in the 60 State St. lot. I was unable to renew my permit and was eventually able to obtain a pass for the Carr lot. We have not been able to get passes for all our employees. It is very frustrating to be faced with losing the only slots we've been able to secure.**

- ⇒ **Thanks for doing this survey!! It shows someone cares.**