

Jefferson County Dog Waste Survey Results

16 Do you have a dog?

Yes 41%

No 59%

Approximately 41% of the 520 people surveyed reported owning a dog.

Most dog owners are between the ages of 19 (44.8%) and 70 (36%).

Slightly more men (43.2%) than women (38.6%) own dogs.

Dog ownership positively correlates with income (34% of 0-24,000 family income reported owning a dog versus 51.2% of over 100,000 family income).

a If yes, how do you dispose of your dog's waste?

Just leave it on the ground 56%

Pick it up and dispose of it in the garbage/trash 30%

Other 8

The number of men (137) versus women (139) who report leaving dog waste on the ground is nearly identical (approximately 56% of dog owners). The same is true for the number of men (72) versus women (76) who report picking up and properly disposing of dog waste (representing about 30% of dog owners). However, the number of people who answered this question is

People who reported having a college degree (74) were more likely to leave dog waste on the ground than people with lower or higher educational levels. People who reported having completed some college (64) were the second most likely group to leave dog waste on the ground.

b If you pick up your dog's waste, how frequently do you do so?

Always 30

Frequently 21

Sometimes 10

Rarely 31

Of those dog owning respondents who report picking up their dog's waste, slightly more than half (51%) always or frequently do so. The percentage of people reporting that they always pick up after their dog is nearly identical to the percentage of people reporting that they rarely pick up after their dog.