



Upper Queen Anne Curbspace Review

Existing Conditions | July 2026

Project Overview

What is the CAPP program?

Through the **Community Access and Parking Program (CAPP) program**, the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) works to address curbspace and access needs in neighborhood business districts.



On-Street Parking



Support Businesses



Loading Zones



Accessibility

Why manage the curb?

Curbspace is limited and demand is high.

SDOT Manages the curb to:



Address competing needs, while moving people and goods efficiently



Support business districts



Improve transportation safety

Policy Support includes:

One Seattle Plan

- Supports curbspace management to improve access in growing areas.

Seattle Transportation Plan

- Recommends curb pricing and dynamic curb management to reduce emissions, improve mobility, and prioritize building critical access needs

Climate Response Framework

- Curb management programs, focus on mixed-use business districts
- Supports transit use, low-emission travel, efficient and safe urban goods delivery

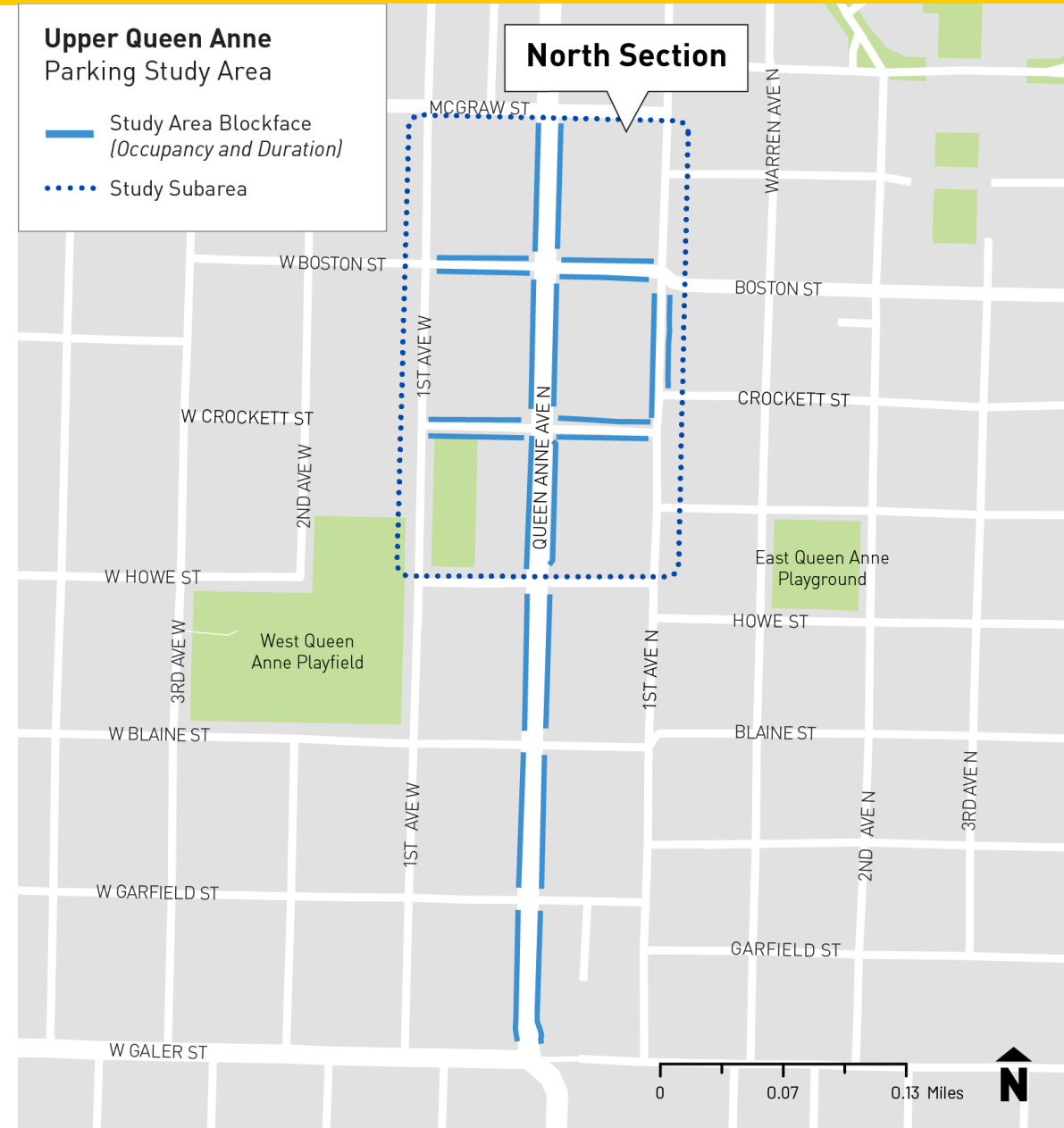


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What is this project?

Throughout 2026, SDOT is working in Upper Queen Anne to collect new parking data and gather community input about parking **needs, challenges, and potential improvements.**

This report provides a summary of parking and curbside conditions in Upper Queen Anne in April 2026. Findings are summarized for the entire Upper Queen Anne study area, and, where applicable, for the **North Queen Anne** section.



Project Purpose and Goals

Through our work in Upper Queen Anne, SDOT is:



Analyzing how parking and other curbside spaces are used today



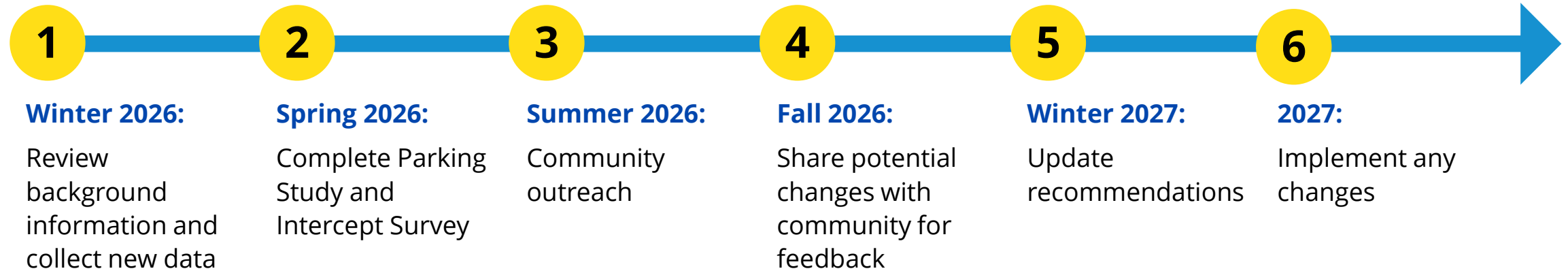
Gathering input from the community



Evaluating changes to better support the neighborhood's needs

Project Timeline

Our work in Upper Queen Anne began in 2026 and will end in 2027.

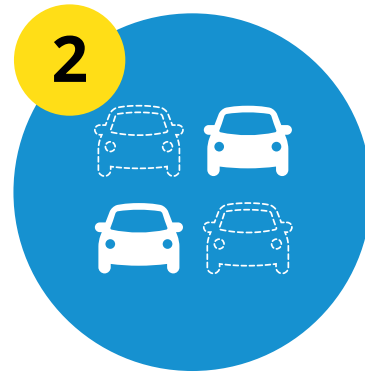


Approach and Methods

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**Parking
Inventory**



**Parking
Occupancy**



**Parking
Duration**



**Intercept
Survey**

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What data did we collect in Upper Queen Anne?	What questions does the data help answer?
1. Parking Inventory	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• How much public parking is there in Upper Queen Anne today?• How is the parking managed and regulated?
2. Parking Occupancy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• How full is parking at different times of day?• Where is parking consistently over-full?
3. Parking Duration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• How long do people stay when they drive and park?• How often do people overstay the posted time limits?
4. Intercept Survey	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• How do people get to Upper Queen Anne?• What is their experience like when they drive and park?

What We've Learned So Far

Key findings from our work to date:



Parking is often full

- Parking is often full throughout the day.
- Several blocks on Queen Anne Ave N were full or nearly full throughout the day.



Some people stay parked for several hours, reducing turnover and customer access.

- 21% of people stayed parked over 2 hours, with 15% staying longer than 2 hours and 6% staying longer than 4 hours.
- Overstays are most common on blocks south of Howe St on Queen Anne Ave N.



Parking availability is a concern for some customers

- 27% of people do not agree that parking is easy to find in Upper Queen Anne.
- 58% of surveyed employees report hearing customers complain about parking.

Parking Inventory

How many parking spaces are there?

There are **302 on-street parking and loading spaces** in the Upper Queen Anne study area. Most parking in Upper Queen Anne is subject to time limits or other restrictions.



Parking Inventory

How many parking spaces are there?

Most on-street parking spaces in Upper Queen Anne are restricted to stays of **2 hours or less** (76%). Hours of enforcement for these time limits begin at 7 am and continue until either 6 pm or 8 pm depending on the location.

About 11% of spaces in Upper Queen Anne are restricted to short stays for **passenger and commercial loading**.

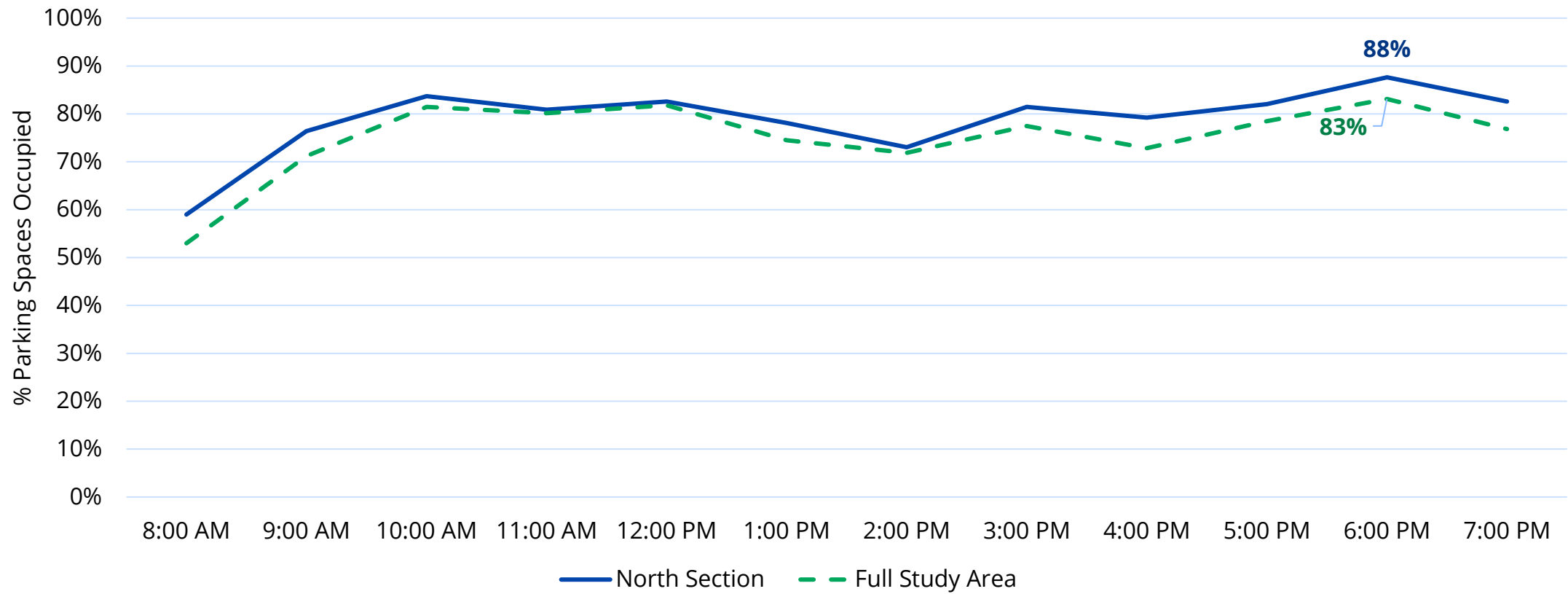
Parking Inventory by Space Type in Upper Queen Anne

Space Type	On-Street Parking Spaces (#)	On-Street Parking Spaces (%)
Unrestricted	35	12%
Time-Limited (2 Hours)	229	76%
ADA	2	1%
Carshare	2	1%
Loading	32	11%
Shuttle Only	2	1%
Total	302	100%

Thursday Parking Demand is High

On Thursday, occupancy in Upper Queen Anne is high throughout the day, and highest in the evening period around 6 pm.

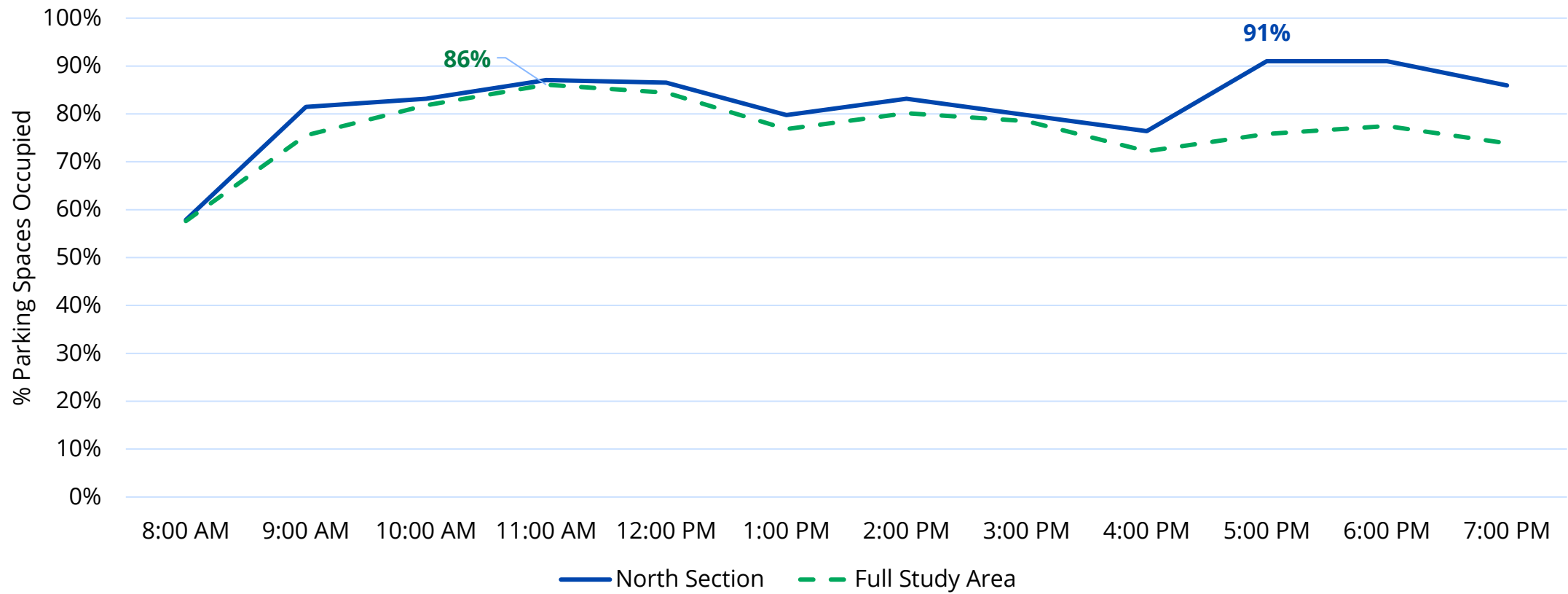
On-Street Parking Occupancy: Thursday April 23, 2026



Saturday Parking Demand is High

On Saturday, occupancy in Upper Queen Anne is high throughout the day, including a peak in the north section at 5 pm.

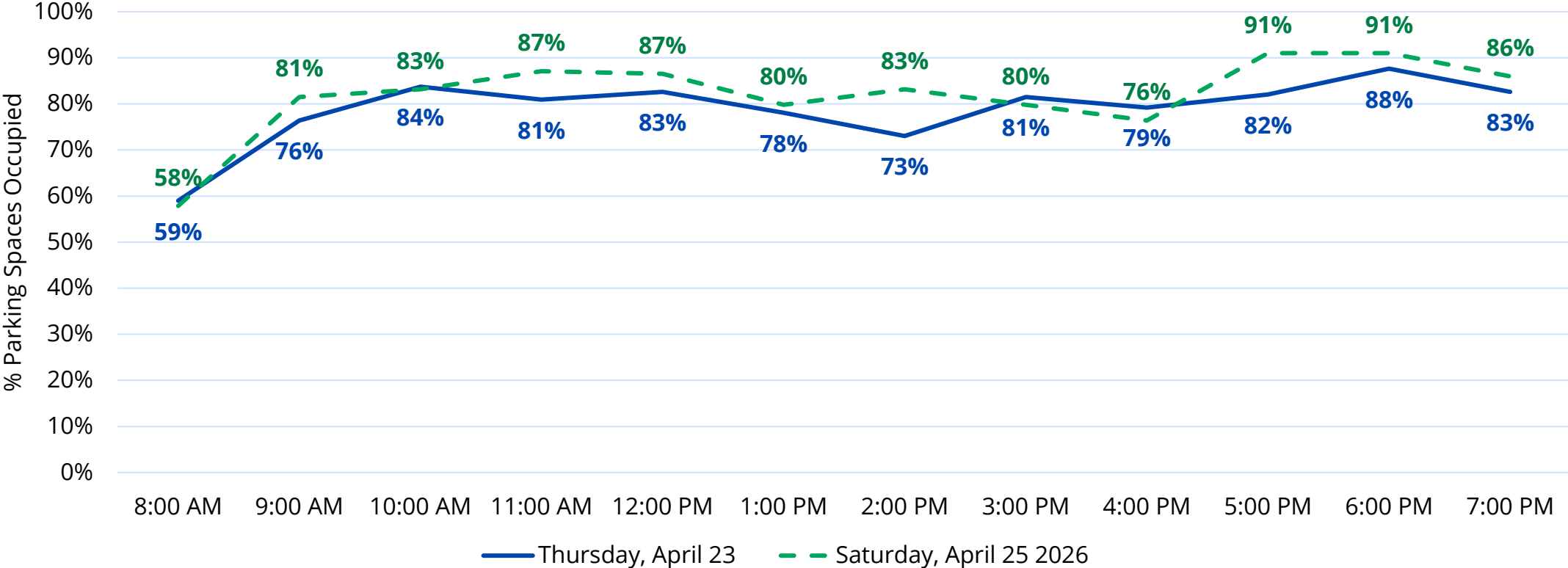
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North Section Parking is Full

Parking in the section north of Howe St is full throughout the day on Thursday and Saturday.

On-Street Parking Occupancy: North Section of Upper Queen Anne (16 Blockfaces)



Many Blocks are Full by Midday

On Thursday, most blocks are more than 70% full between 11 am and 8 pm, especially in the north section.

Thursday Morning (8 am - 11 am)



Thursday Midday (11 am - 5 pm)



Thursday Evening (5 pm - 8 pm)



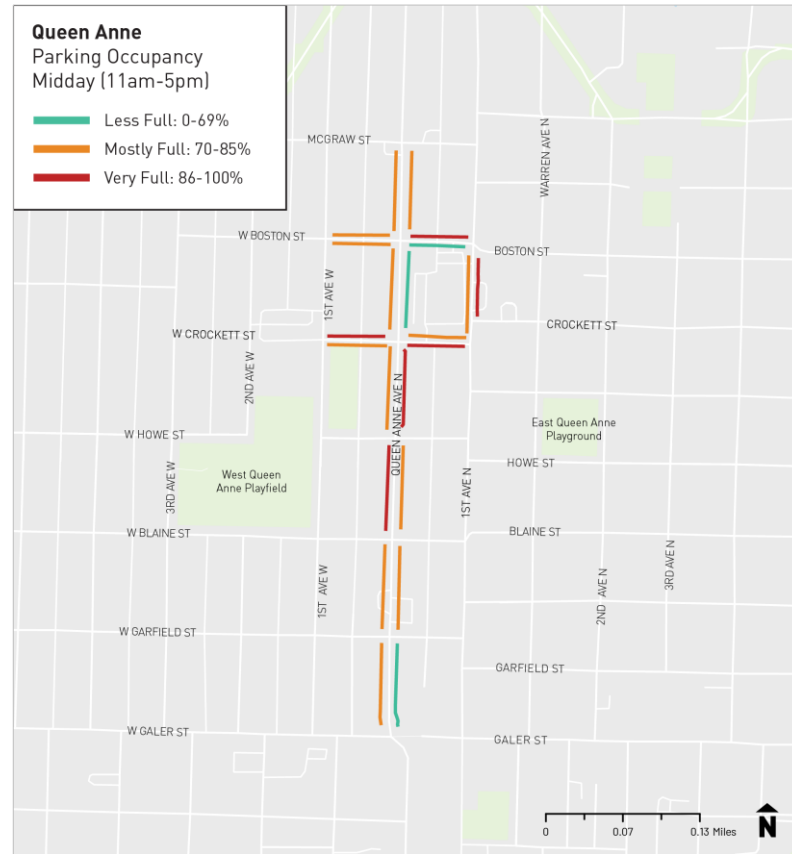
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On Saturday, most blocks are full by midday. In the evening, most blocks in the northern section are very full (more than 86%).

Saturday Morning (8 am -11 am)



Saturday Midday (11 am - 5 pm)



Saturday Evening (5 pm - 8 pm)



Weekday Parking Spaces Are Often Full

Parking on many blocks in Upper Queen Anne is often full throughout the day.

Parking Occupancy by Blockface in Upper Queen Anne: Thursday April 23, 2026

Street	Description	Side	8 AM	9 AM	10 AM	11 AM	12 PM	1 PM	2 PM	3 PM	4 PM	5 PM	6 PM	7 PM
1st Ave N	between Crockett St and Boston St	E	100%	88%	88%	88%	75%	88%	88%	88%	100%	100%	75%	75%
1st Ave N	between Boston St and Crockett St	W	70%	90%	70%	50%	90%	90%	80%	60%	70%	80%	80%	90%
Boston St	between Queen Anne Ave N and 1st Ave N	S	67%	100%	100%	67%	100%	67%	67%	100%	67%	100%	67%	100%
Boston St	between 1st Ave N and Queen Anne Ave N	N	71%	86%	100%	86%	100%	114%	100%	114%	114%	114%	100%	114%
Crockett St	between Queen Anne Ave N and 1st Ave N	S	80%	80%	90%	80%	90%	80%	70%	80%	80%	80%	90%	80%
Crockett St	between 1st Ave N and Queen Anne Ave N	N	100%	100%	100%	125%	125%	100%	100%	75%	100%	100%	100%	75%
Queen Anne Ave N	between W Galer St and Garfield St	E	69%	77%	77%	62%	85%	54%	54%	46%	62%	85%	85%	69%
Queen Anne Ave N	between Garfield St and Blaine St	E	22%	67%	94%	94%	94%	61%	50%	56%	50%	50%	78%	67%
Queen Anne Ave N	between Blaine St and Howe St	E	47%	40%	53%	67%	73%	80%	73%	80%	67%	67%	53%	47%
Queen Anne Ave N	between Howe St and Crockett St	E	63%	66%	97%	94%	72%	91%	72%	84%	94%	91%	100%	94%
Queen Anne Ave N	between Crockett St and Boston St	E	80%	60%	90%	90%	90%	90%	70%	80%	80%	60%	100%	90%
Queen Anne Ave N	between Boston St and McGraw St	E	47%	80%	73%	80%	80%	73%	73%	73%	60%	73%	67%	67%
Queen Anne Ave N	between W McGraw St and W Boston St	W	40%	100%	90%	90%	90%	80%	90%	140%	70%	100%	100%	110%
Queen Anne Ave N	between W Boston St and W Crockett St	W	47%	82%	71%	65%	82%	71%	82%	77%	77%	82%	88%	77%
Queen Anne Ave N	between W Crockett St and W Howe St	W	33%	53%	73%	47%	73%	27%	67%	67%	53%	40%	67%	60%
Queen Anne Ave N	between W Howe St and W Blaine St	W	38%	53%	72%	88%	72%	66%	88%	75%	69%	66%	75%	53%
Queen Anne Ave N	between W Blaine St and W Garfield St	W	55%	46%	82%	64%	73%	73%	73%	55%	64%	73%	82%	82%
Queen Anne Ave N	between W Garfield St and W Galer St	W	49%	83%	86%	80%	86%	77%	69%	89%	66%	91%	83%	89%
W Boston St	between Queen Anne Ave N and 1st Ave W	N	46%	73%	82%	100%	73%	82%	64%	64%	82%	82%	82%	73%
W Boston St	between 1st Ave W and Queen Anne Ave N	S	85%	85%	85%	92%	100%	85%	62%	69%	85%	85%	92%	69%
W Crockett St	between Queen Anne Ave N and 1st Ave W	N	22%	78%	78%	67%	78%	67%	56%	89%	78%	89%	100%	78%
W Crockett St	between 1st Ave W and Queen Anne Ave N	S	25%	50%	50%	100%	50%	50%	25%	75%	50%	75%	75%	100%

Less full: 0-69%
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Weekend Parking Spaces Are Often Full

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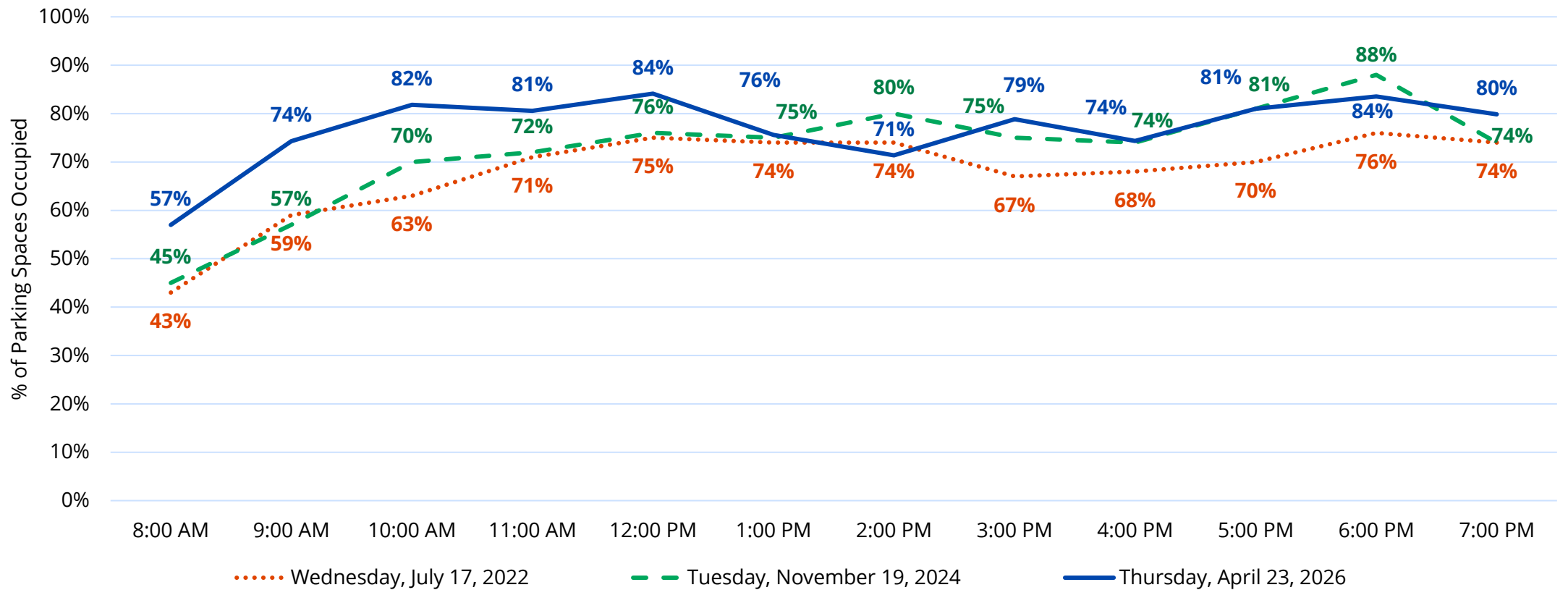
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Boston St	between Queen Anne Ave N and 1st Ave N	S	0%	67%	0%	33%	100%	33%	67%	67%	33%	67%	33%	67%
Boston St	between 1st Ave N and Queen Anne Ave N	N	71%	129%	114%	100%	114%	86%	100%	114%	71%	114%	114%	129%
Crockett St	between Queen Anne Ave N and 1st Ave N	S	100%	90%	90%	90%	80%	80%	100%	90%	90%	80%	110%	90%
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Queen Anne Ave N	between W Galer St and Garfield St	E	62%	54%	54%	62%	69%	46%	69%	69%	62%	62%	77%	85%
Queen Anne Ave N	between Garfield St and Blaine St	E	50%	83%	89%	83%	83%	72%	83%	83%	44%	39%	50%	28%
Queen Anne Ave N	between Blaine St and Howe St	E	47%	47%	73%	73%	80%	87%	67%	73%	53%	27%	47%	47%
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Less full: 0-69%
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Parking Demand is Growing

In 2026, parking in Upper Queen Anne is about 10% fuller in the morning and in the evening than it was in 2022.

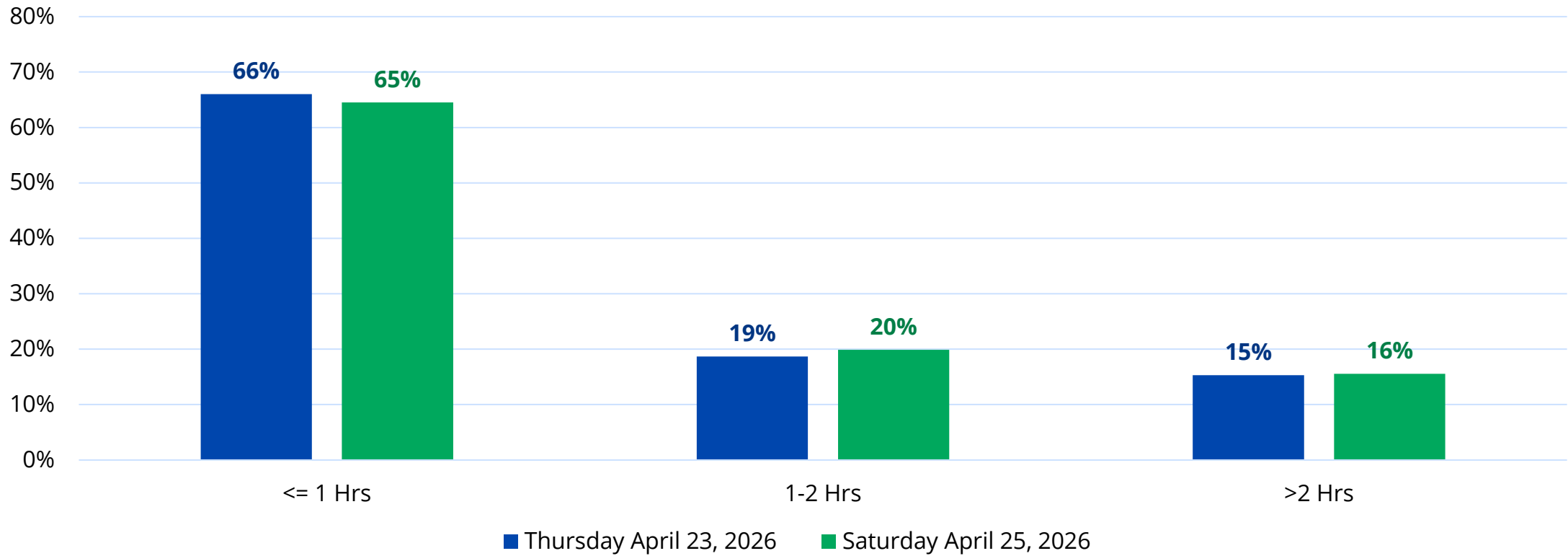
Average Parking Occupancy: 2022-2026



Longer Stays Reduce Turnover

Although most stays in Upper Queen Anne are 1 hour or less, about 15% of stays are longer than 2 hours.

On-Street Parking Duration:
Upper Queen Anne



Intercept Survey

SDOT conducted an intercept survey to learn about people's travel behavior and parking experience.

341 intercept survey responses were collected over the course of two days (Thursday, April 23 and Saturday, April 25, 2026). 41% of respondents were in the neighborhood to visit shops, and 36% of respondents said they live in the neighborhood.

Category	% of Respondents
Visiting shops	41%
Live here	36%
Work here	7%
Visiting restaurants	6%
Other (please specify)	10%

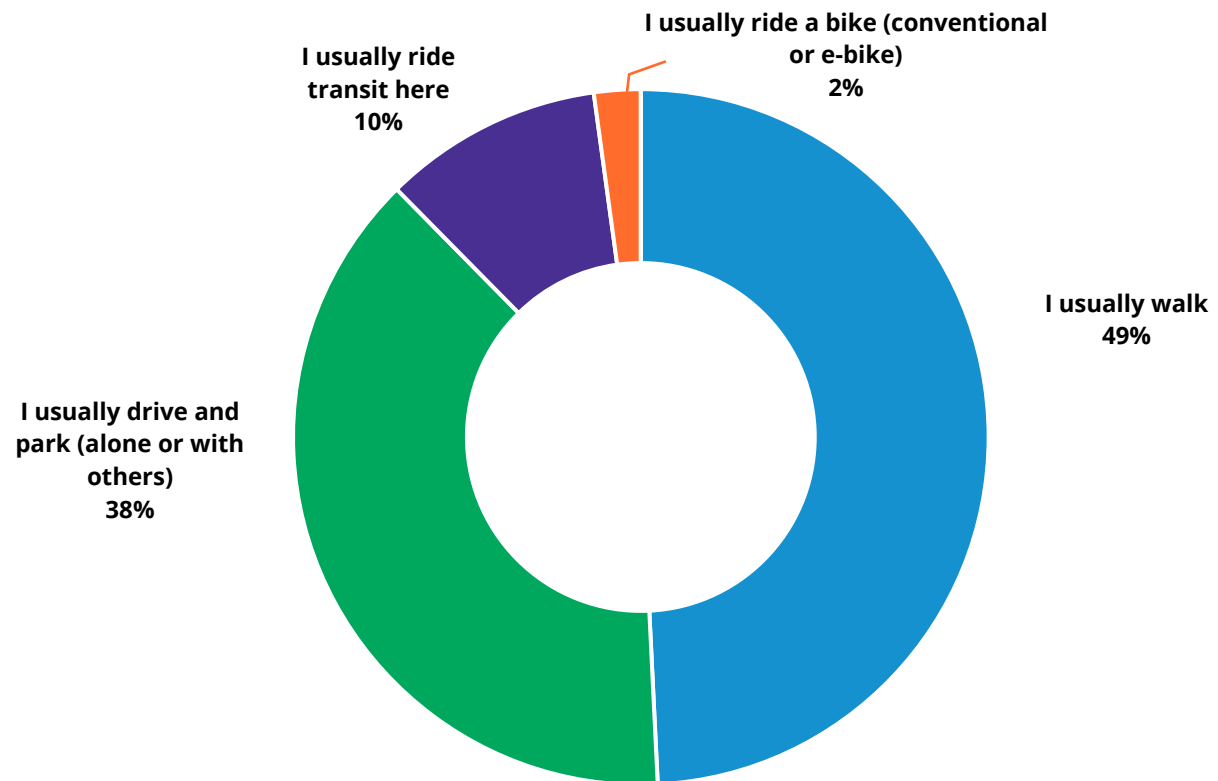


Most Visit Queen Anne Without Driving

61% of people usually walk, bike, or take transit to get to Upper Queen Anne, compared with 38% who usually drive and park.

Most people said that they visit Upper Queen Anne **at least one or more times per week (82%)**.

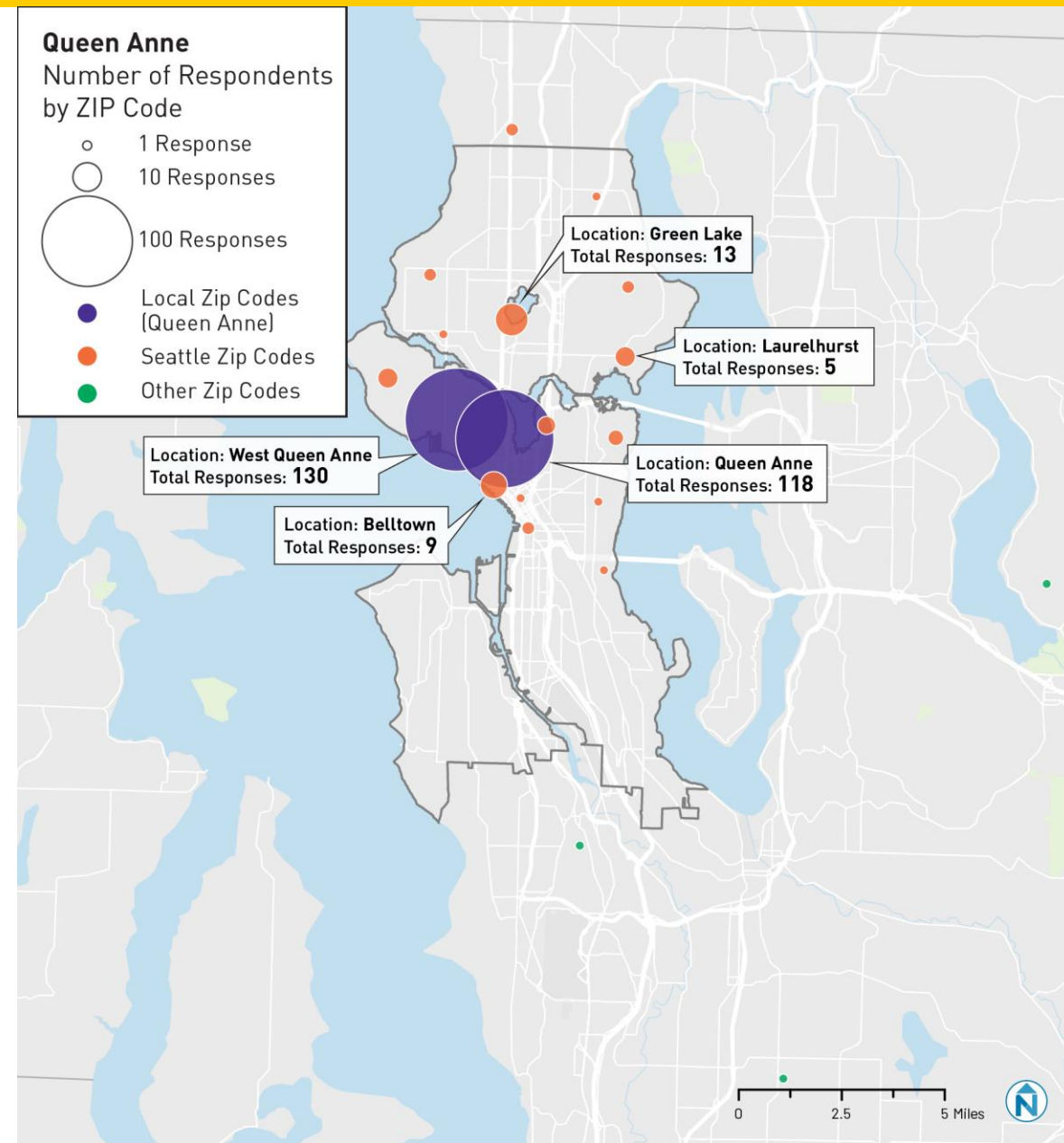
How do you usually travel to Queen Anne?



Most Respondents Live in Queen Anne

Intercept survey results showed 77% of respondents live in Queen Anne zip codes (98109, 98119).

Home Zip Code Group	Share of Respondents
Local Zip Codes (Queen Anne)	77%
Other Seattle Zip Codes	16%
Other WA State Zip Codes	4%
Other Zip Codes outside WA State	1%
Invalid/No Response	2%

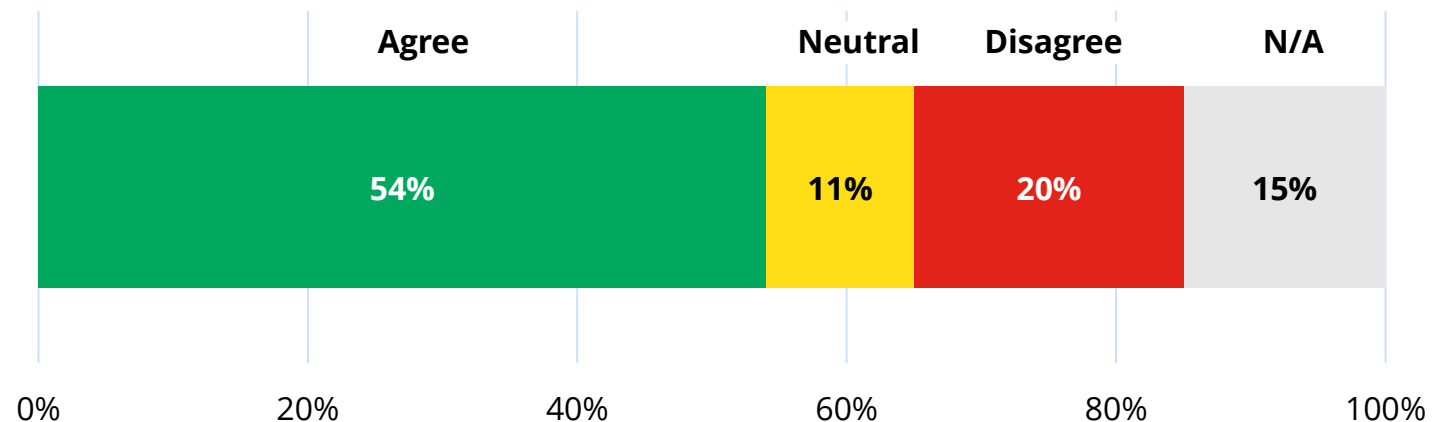


Experiences with Parking are Mixed

While most agree that parking is easy to find, 33% disagree or are neutral.

Although most people who drive and park usually find a parking space quickly (82% within one minute), **perceptions about parking ease and availability are mixed.** About 33% of respondents do not think convenient parking is easy to find or feel neutral about it.

Agree or Disagree: When I visit Upper Queen Anne, it's easy for me to find a convenient parking space.

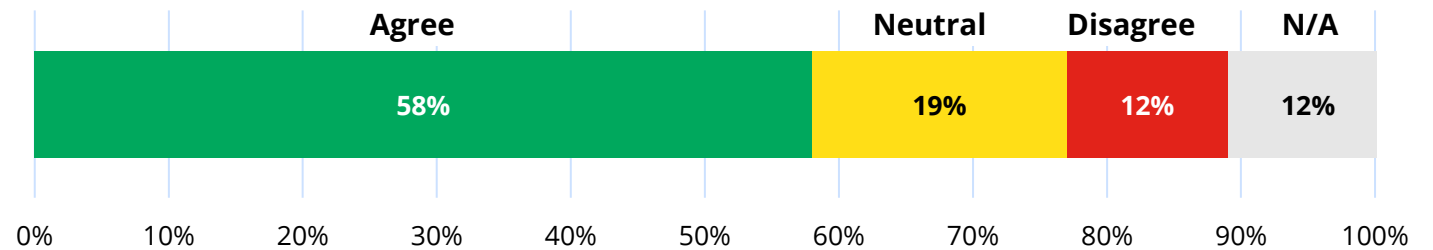


Business Face Parking Challenges

Customers frequently complain about parking challenges. Commercial loading and delivery space can be difficult to find.

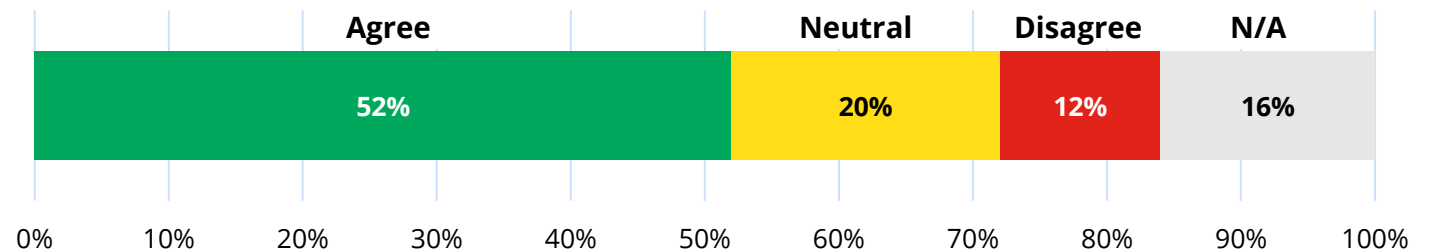
58% of people who work in Upper Queen Anne report hearing customers complain about the difficulty of finding a parking space.

Agree or Disagree: I often hear customers at my workplace complain about difficulty finding a parking space in Upper Queen Anne.



Adequate loading space is also a challenge for many local businesses. 52% indicated that delivery drivers and service vehicles have difficulty finding a loading space.

Delivery drivers and service vehicles have difficulty finding loading or short-term parking near my workplace.



Parking Citations

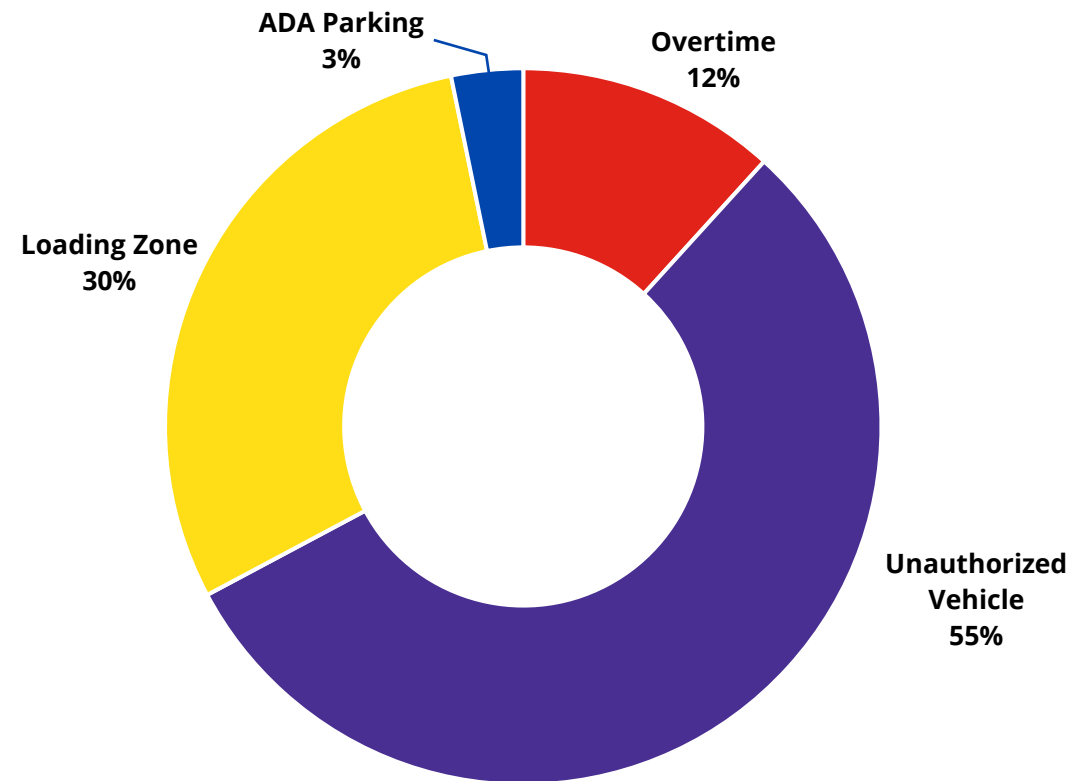
Where are parking citations issued, and for what reasons?

In 2025, there were **247 citations issued** for vehicles that violated posted parking restrictions. **More than half (55%)** were for vehicles that were improperly parked in spaces that were reserved for specific users (such as car share vehicles or electric vehicles) or violations of **posted “no parking” signs**.

76% of the on-street spaces in Upper Queen Anne are time limited, and **overtime violations accounted for 12% of violations**.

Citations Issued for Parking Violations

Upper Queen Anne, 2025



Parking Citations

Where are parking citations issued, and for what reasons?

While most of the parking spaces on 1st Ave. N between Crockett St. and Boston St. are unrestricted, there were many citations issued on this block for vehicles parked in posted **“no parking” areas**.

Most of the citations issued **for loading zone violations** in Upper Queen Anne were concentrated on Queen Anne Ave. N between Crockett St. and Boston St. in front of the Safeway grocery store.

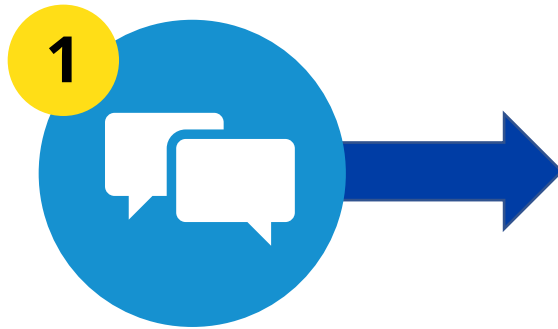
Most **time-limit violations** were issued along Queen Anne Ave. N, especially on the southernmost study area block.



Next Steps

What's in store for the rest of the year?

Summer 2026:
Outreach Events



Share your thoughts and priorities with the project team through surveys, public events, and discussions.

Fall 2026:
Share Draft Recommendations



SDOT will use what we learn from the community, together with parking data, to develop and share potential changes.

Winter 2026:
Refine Recommendations



SDOT will finalize recommendations.

SDOT will install any changes in 2027