

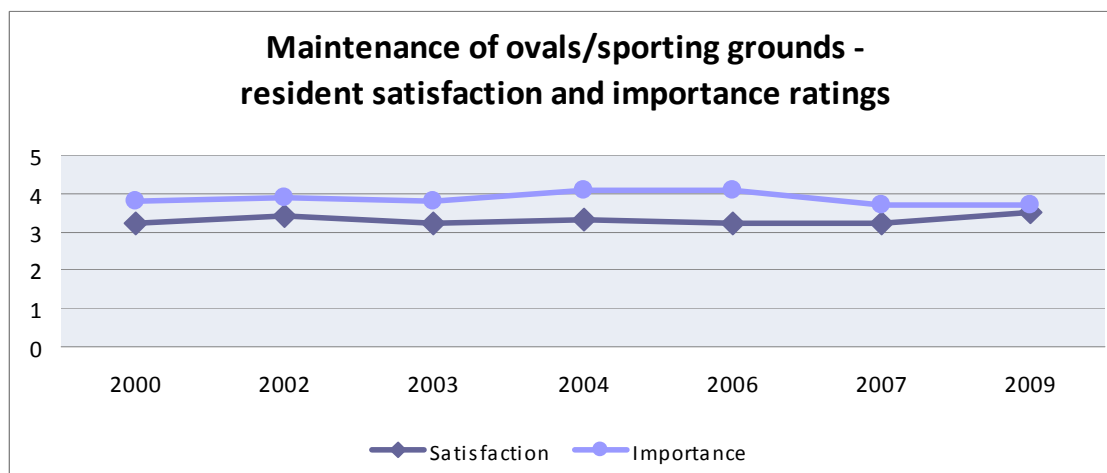
Recreational facilities – ovals and sporting grounds

What are we monitoring?

Difference between resident satisfaction with and their importance rating for maintenance of ovals and sporting grounds

What is the trend?

Residents' rating of importance for the maintenance of ovals and sporting grounds has decreased slightly from 3.8 in 2000 to 3.7 in 2009 while their satisfaction has increased from 3.2 to 3.5 over the same period. A gap between importance rating and satisfaction continues to exist.



MAINTENANCE OF OVALS/SPORTING GROUNDS							
Satisfaction ratings							
Year	2000	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	2009
Rating	3.2	3.4	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.2	3.5
Importance ratings							
Year	2000	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	2009
Rating	3.8	3.9	3.8	4.1	4.1	3.7	3.7

Why is monitoring this trend important?

Ovals and sporting grounds facilitate competitive and social sport for resident and visiting teams. Well maintained sporting facilities enhance play and safety for users. In 2009 this issue was ranked as highly important by 61% of community survey respondents. 41% of respondents reported high satisfaction for this issue in 2009.

Source: Blue Mountains City Council, Blue Mountains Community Surveys: 2000, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2006, 2007, 2009. The Survey is conducted every one to two years. Ratings are given on a 1-5 scale, with 1 the lowest level of importance and satisfaction and 5 the highest.

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