

AN INVESTIGATION OF
PARKING PROBLEMS
AND ALTERNATIVES AT
AUS

APPENDIX A

Wednesday, May 02, 2007

An Investigation of Parking Alternatives at AUS (F&S)

Faculties

***In which building do you currently work? (if more than one, please select the primary location)**

Main Building
Library
Engineering - Left
Engineering - Right
Student Center
Cafeteria
Architecture & Design I
Architecture & Design II
Languages, Health Center
Arts and Sciences: Physics
Arts and Sciences: Chemistry
Arts and Sciences: New Academic Building
Business & Management
Sports Complex
Other (please specify)

Age

***What is your age, in years? (Please choose one)**

Less than 18
18-26
27-35
36-44
45-53
54-62
63+

Gender

Are you

Male

Female

Residence

***Where do you currently live? (please choose one)**

On campus

Off campus

West – East

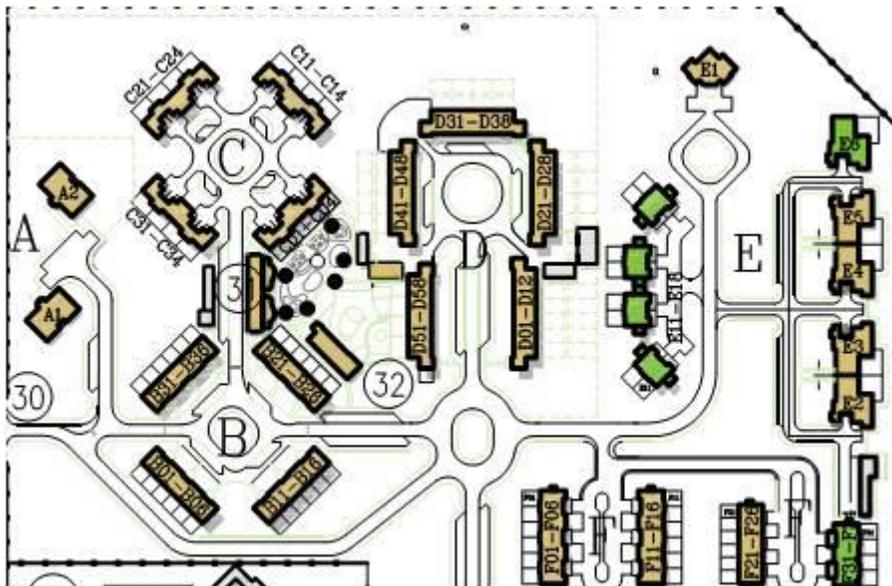
***Where do you live?**

Faculty/staff housing West

Faculty/staff housing East

West

If you live on campus, in which block do you live? (please choose one; you may refer to the map above if you like)



- A
- B
- C
- D
- E
- F

- 7. Umm al Quwain
- 8. Ras Al Khaima
- 9. Fujairah

Mode of travel

*** About how often do you use each of the following modes of travel to get to the center of campus from where you live on regular weekdays (e.g., Sunday through Thursday)? (Please select one answer for each row)**

	Always (never any other way)	Most of the time (but not all of the time)	Regularly (at least one per week)	Occasionally (at least once per month)	Rarely (at least once ever)	Never (would not consider)
<u>Drive alone in private car</u>						
<u>Carpool with one or more others in private car</u>						
<u>Ride motorcycle</u>						
<u>Take public taxi/limo service</u>						
<u>Ride in public bus (private charter)</u>						
<u>Ride in campus shuttle bus (AUS operated)</u>						
<u>Ride bicycle</u>						
<u>Walk</u>						
<u>Other</u>						

Other means of transportation, not previously listed

If you use any means of transportation other than those listed in the previous question to get to the center of campus, or if there is anything interesting or unusual about your daily commute, please describe for us in your own words:

Working status

Do you work?

- 1.** Full time
- 2.** Part time
- 3.** Don't work

Driving license

*** Do you have a driving license?**

Yes No

Car availability

*** Do you have a car available to you to drive to and from campus?**

Always Sometimes Never

Car registration

*** If you have a car available to you, is it registered with AUS?**

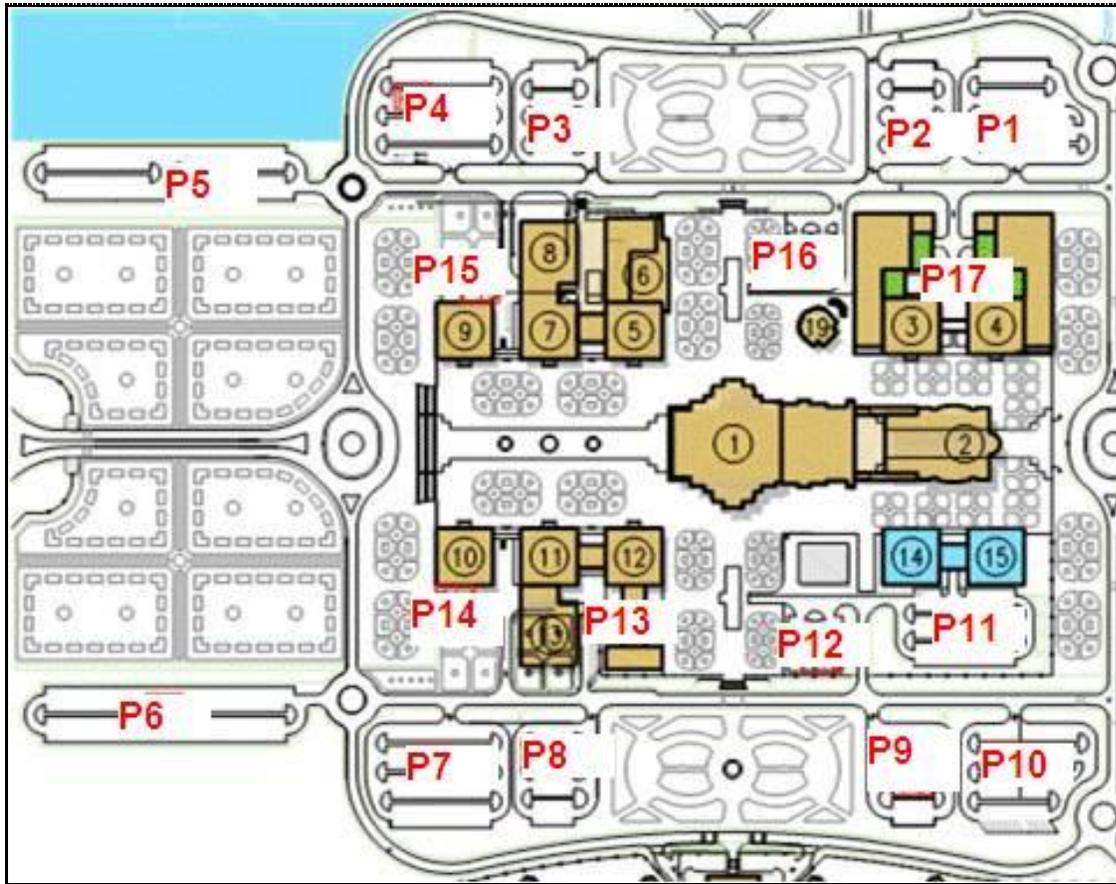
Yes No

Parking paid sticker

*** If your car is registered with AUS, do you also have a paid parking sticker?**

- 1.** Yes, paid parking sticker
- 2.** Yes, free parking sticker
- 3.** No

Parking lot location - usual



*** Thinking about when you drive to the center of campus from where you live on regular weekdays (Sunday through Thursday), where do you usually park your vehicle? (Please choose the best response for each parking lot listed; refer to the map if you need assistance)**

Always (never any other way)	Most of the time (but not all of the time)	Regularly (at least one per week)	Occasionally (at least once per month)	Rarely (at least once ever)	Never (would not consider)
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- P1 - Paid - Engineering
- P2 - Paid - Engineering
- P3 - Paid - Architecture
- P4 - Paid - Architecture
- P5 - Free - Remote
- P6 - Free - Remote
- P7 - Paid -

- CAS
- P8 - Paid -
CAS
- P9 - Paid -
Business
- P10 - Paid -
Business
- P11 - Reserved
- Staff (1/3
reserved to
Eng.)
- P12 - Reserved
- Staff
- P13 - Reserved
- Business
- P14 - Reserved
- CAS
- P15 - Reserved
- Architecture
- P16 - Visitor's
Lot - Mosque
- P17 - Reserved
- Engineering

Parking lot location – preferred

If you could park anywhere on campus during regular weekdays, which of the following parking lots would be your first, second, and third choices?

- | | First Choice | Second
Choice | Third
Choice |
|--|--------------|------------------|-----------------|
| P1 - Paid -
Engineering | | | |
| P2 - Paid -
Engineering | | | |
| P3 - Paid -
Architecture | | | |
| P4- Paid -
Architecture | | | |
| P5 - Free -
Remote | | | |
| P6 - Free -
Remote | | | |
| P7 - Paid - CAS | | | |
| P8 - Paid - CAS | | | |
| P9 - Paid -
Business | | | |
| P10 - Paid -
Business | | | |
| P11 - Reserved
- Staff (1/3
reserved to
Eng.) | | | |
| P12 - Reserved
- Staff | | | |
| P13 - Reserved
- Business | | | |
| P14 - Reserved
- CAS | | | |
| P15 - Reserved
- Architecture | | | |
| P16 - Visitor's
Lot - Mosque | | | |
| P17 - Reserved
- Engineering | | | |

Parking lot location - willingness to pay

What is the most that you would be willing to pay on an annual basis in order to be able to park in your preferred parking lot?

- | | First Choice | Second Choice | Third Choice |
|-----------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| Nothing | | | |
| 100 AED | | | |
| 200 AED | | | |
| 300 AED | | | |
| 400AED | | | |
| 500 AED | | | |
| 600 AED | | | |
| 700 AED | | | |
| 800 AED | | | |
| 900 AED | | | |
| 1000 AED | | | |

Attitude

Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with each of the following statements concerning transportation. (Please circle one for each)

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
I need my car every day					
I exercise on a regular basis					
I like off road racing					
I don't like to rely on others					
I would rather not have to drive to campus					
Cars are getting too expensive					
Cars cause too much pollution					
I need a new car					
My schedule varies from day to day					
I like the convenience of driving my own car					
I have a lot of errands to run					

Driving alone is the only way to go
I am proud of my car and like to be seen in it

Attitude

Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with each of the following statements concerning transportation. (Please circle one for each)

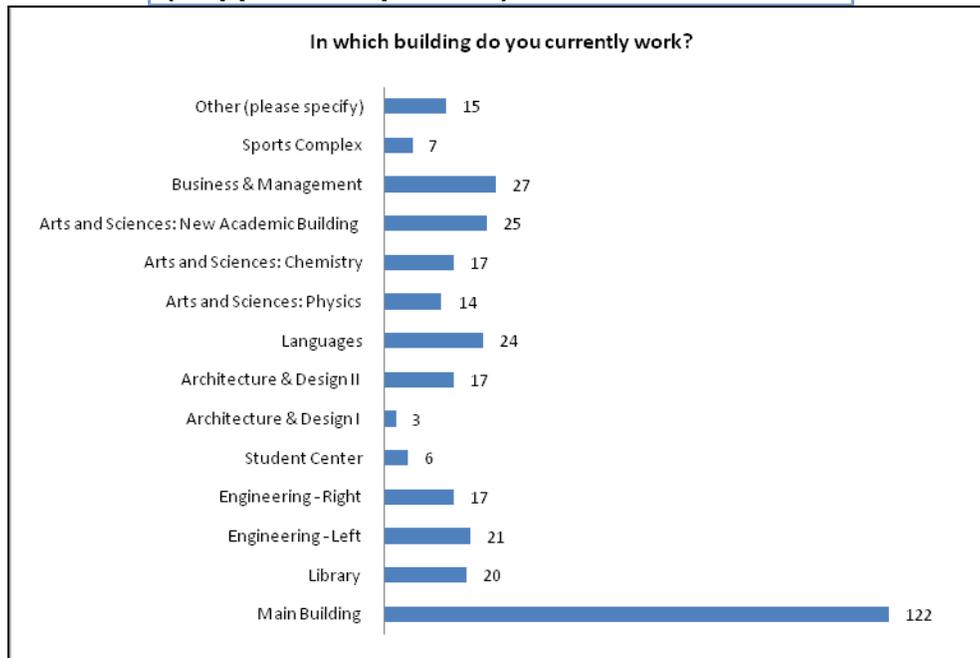
	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Public transit is just too slow					
Carpooling is a good way to save money					
Parking should be free for everyone					
Riding a bicycle is not an option for me					
Parking is readily available where I work					
I enjoy walking around the AUS campus					
Parking is too expensive where I work					
I wish I had someone to carpool with					
Transit service to and from the AUS campus should be increased					
Riding a bicycle is easy and fun					
I don't like riding the bus					
Alternatives to driving alone are just not practical					
The campus shuttle bus is very convenient					
Carpooling is just too complicated for me					
There is no transit service near where I live					

End
Thank you for participating in this survey.

1 Survey response for the faculty & staff

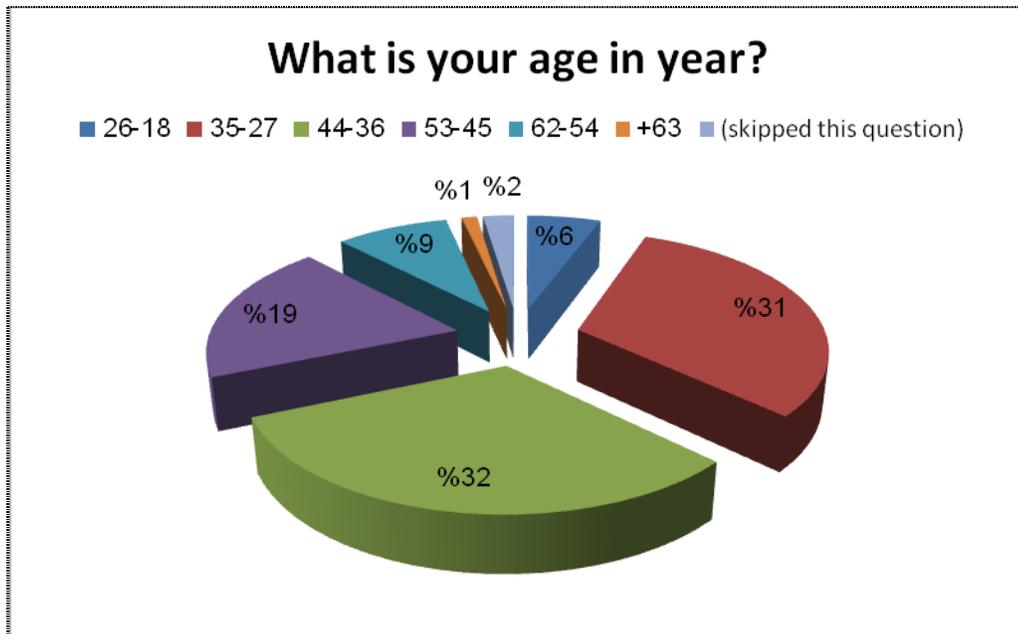
1.1 *In which building do you currently work? (if more than one please select the primary location)*

Main Building	122
Library	20
Engineering - Left	21
Engineering - Right	17
Student Center	6
Architecture & Design I	3
Architecture & Design II	17
Languages	24
Arts and Sciences: Physics	14
Arts and Sciences: Chemistry	17
Arts and Sciences: New Academic Building	25
Business & Management	27
Sports Complex	7
Other (please specify)	15
Total Respondents	335
(skipped this question)	0



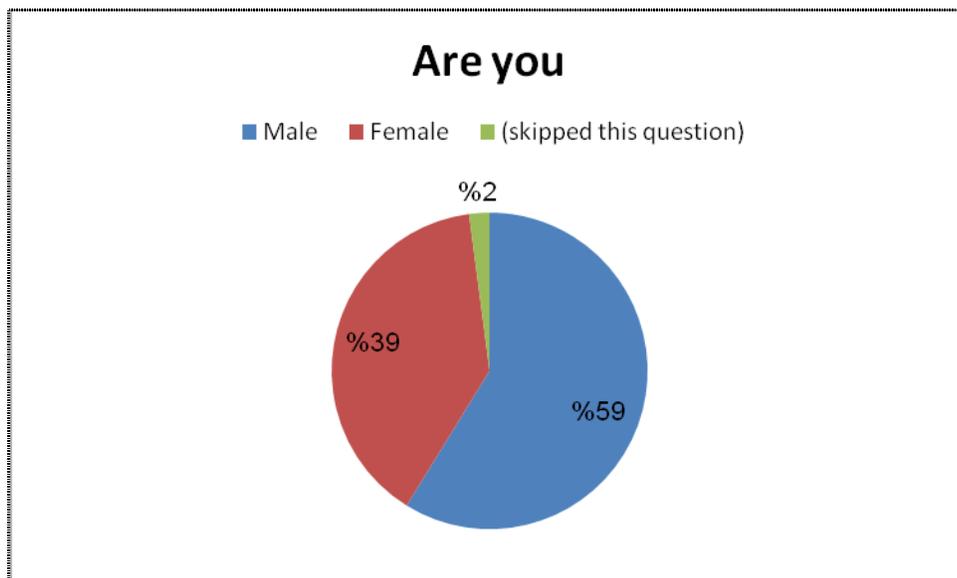
1.2 What is your age in years? (Please choose one)

Less than 18	0
18-26	19
27-35	105
36-44	106
45-53	64
54-62	29
63+	4
Total Respondents	327
(skipped this question)	8



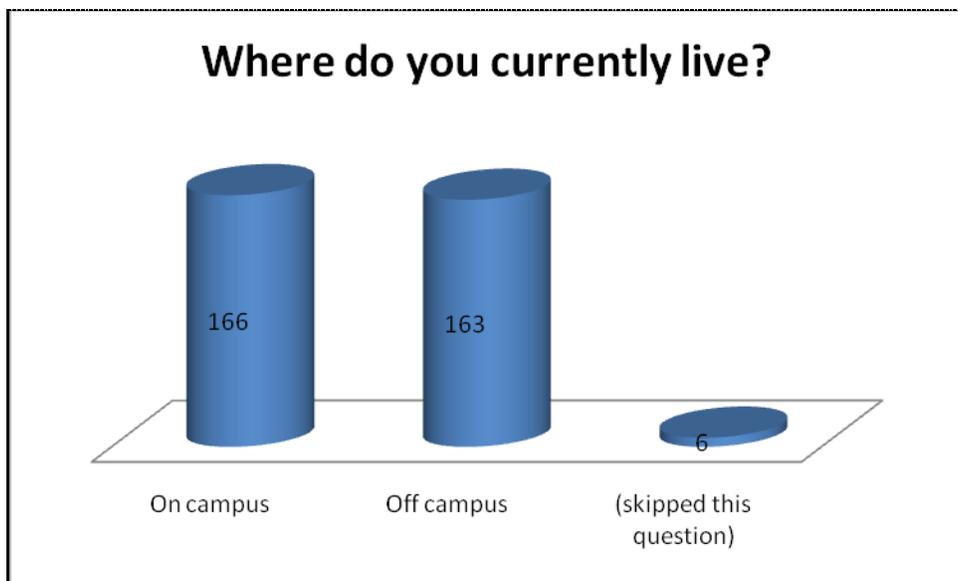
1.3 Are you male or female?

Male	197
Female	131
(skipped this question)	7
Total Respondents	328



1.4 Where do you currently live? (Please choose one)

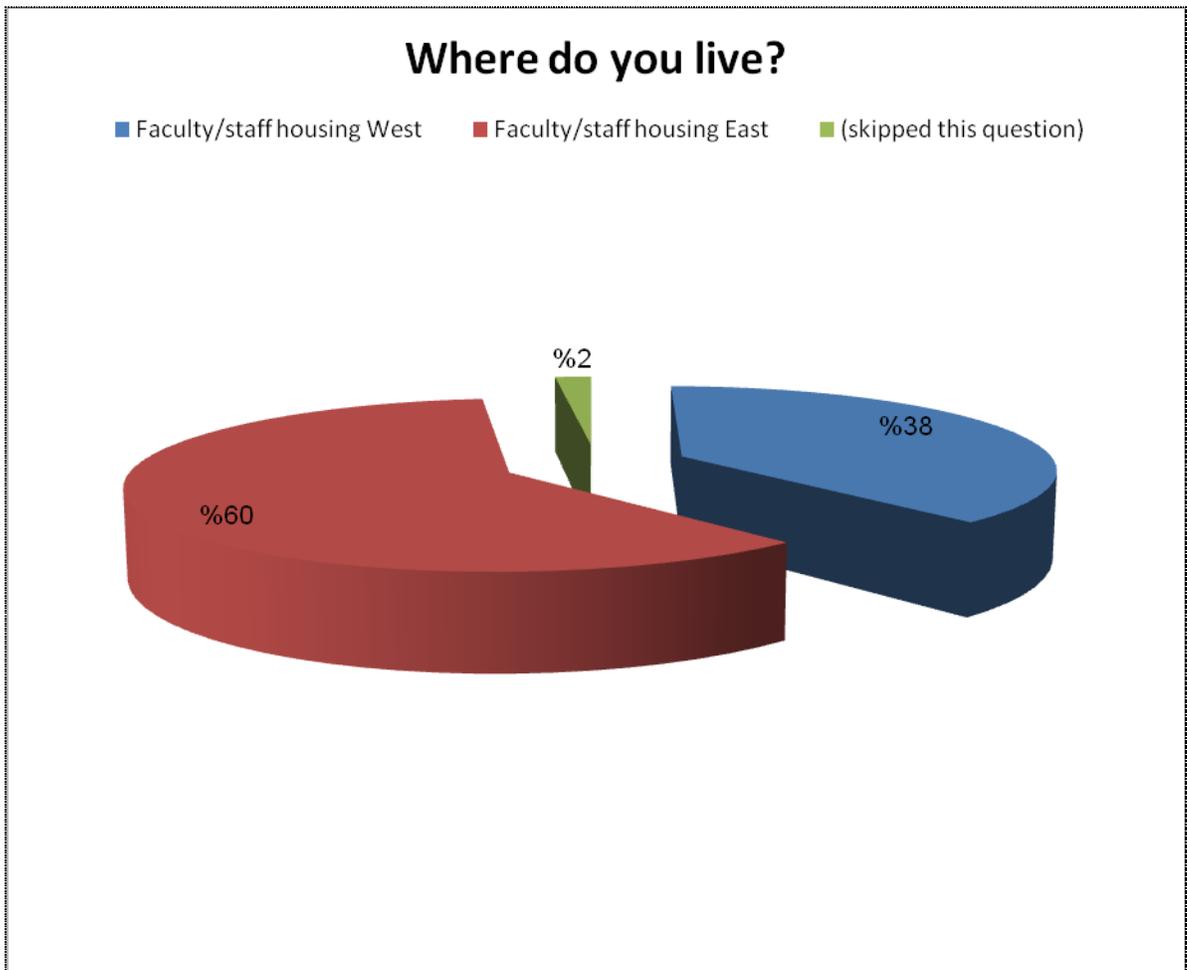
On campus	166
Off campus	163
Total Respondents (skipped this question)	329
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1.5 *Where do you live?*

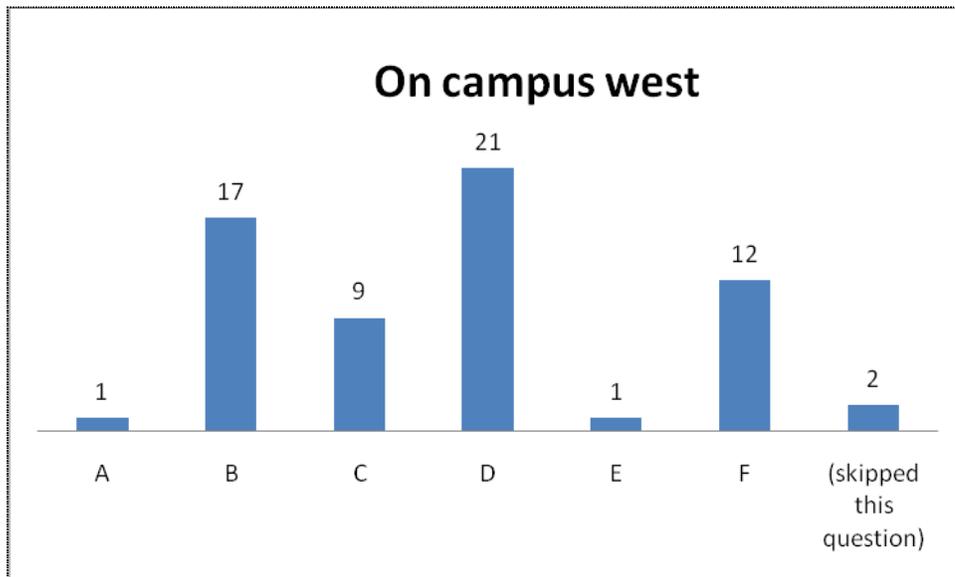
Faculty/staff housing West	63
Faculty/staff housing East	99
Total Respondents	162
(skipped this question)	173

Note that the total respondents in the previous question (on campus) are 166 and the total respondents to the (east-west) are 163 then the total number of people who skipped this question is 3.



1.6 If you live on campus in which block do you live? (Please choose one; you may refer to the map above if you like)

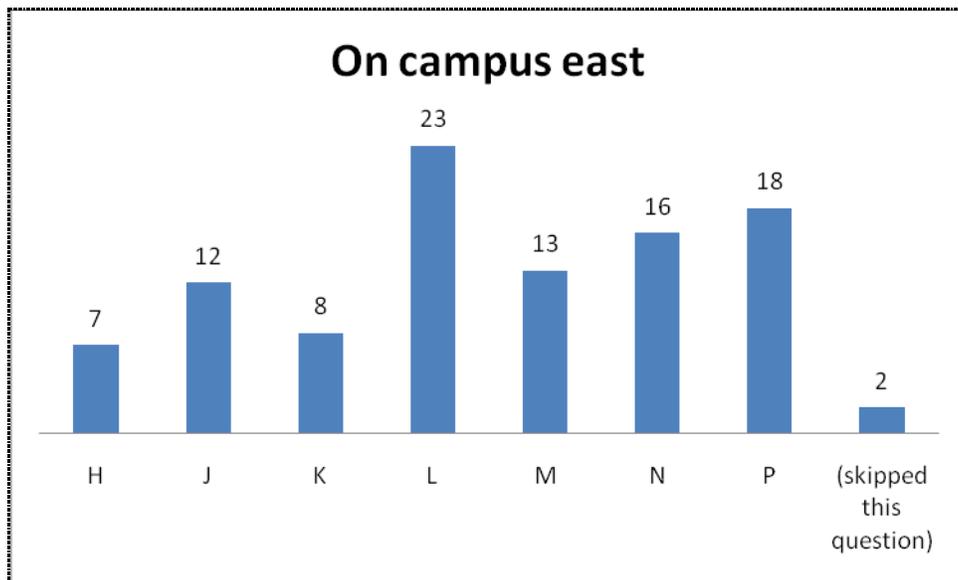
A	1
B	17
C	9
D	21
E	1
F	12
Total Respondents	61
(skipped this question)	274



Note that the total respondents in the previous question (west-east) are (63-99) and the total respondents to the (west) are 61 then the total number of people who skipped this question is 2.

1.7 If you live on campus in which block do you live? (Please choose one; you may refer to the map above if you like)

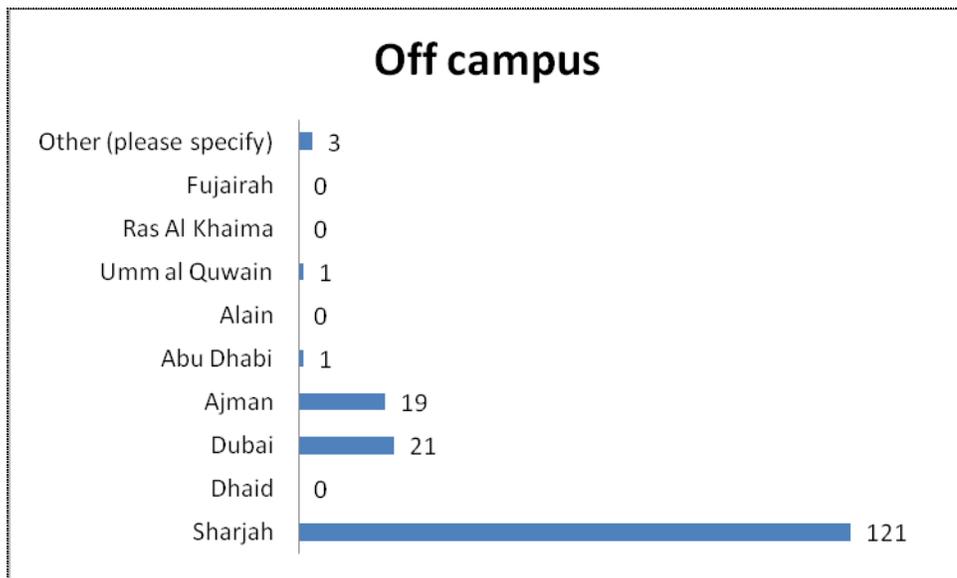
H	7
J	12
K	8
L	23
M	13
N	16
P	18
(skipped this question)	238
Total Respondents	97



Note that the total respondents in the previous question (west-east) are (63-99) and the total respondents to the (east) are 97 then the total number of people who skipped this question is 2.

**1.8 If you live off campus in which city do you currently live?
(Please choose only one)**

Sharjah	121
Dhaid	0
Dubai	21
Ajman	19
Abu Dhabi	1
Alain	0
Umm al Quwain	1
Ras Al Khaima	0
Fujairah	0
Other (please specify)	3
Total Respondents	166
(skipped this question)	169



Note that the total response for the on campus east & west + the off campus
 $= 61 + 97 + 166 = 324$ so the total skip for the 3 questions is
 $= 335 - 324 = 11$.

1.9 How often do you use each of the following modes of travel to get to the center of campus from where you live on regular weekdays (e.g. Sunday through Thursday)? (Please select one answer for each row)

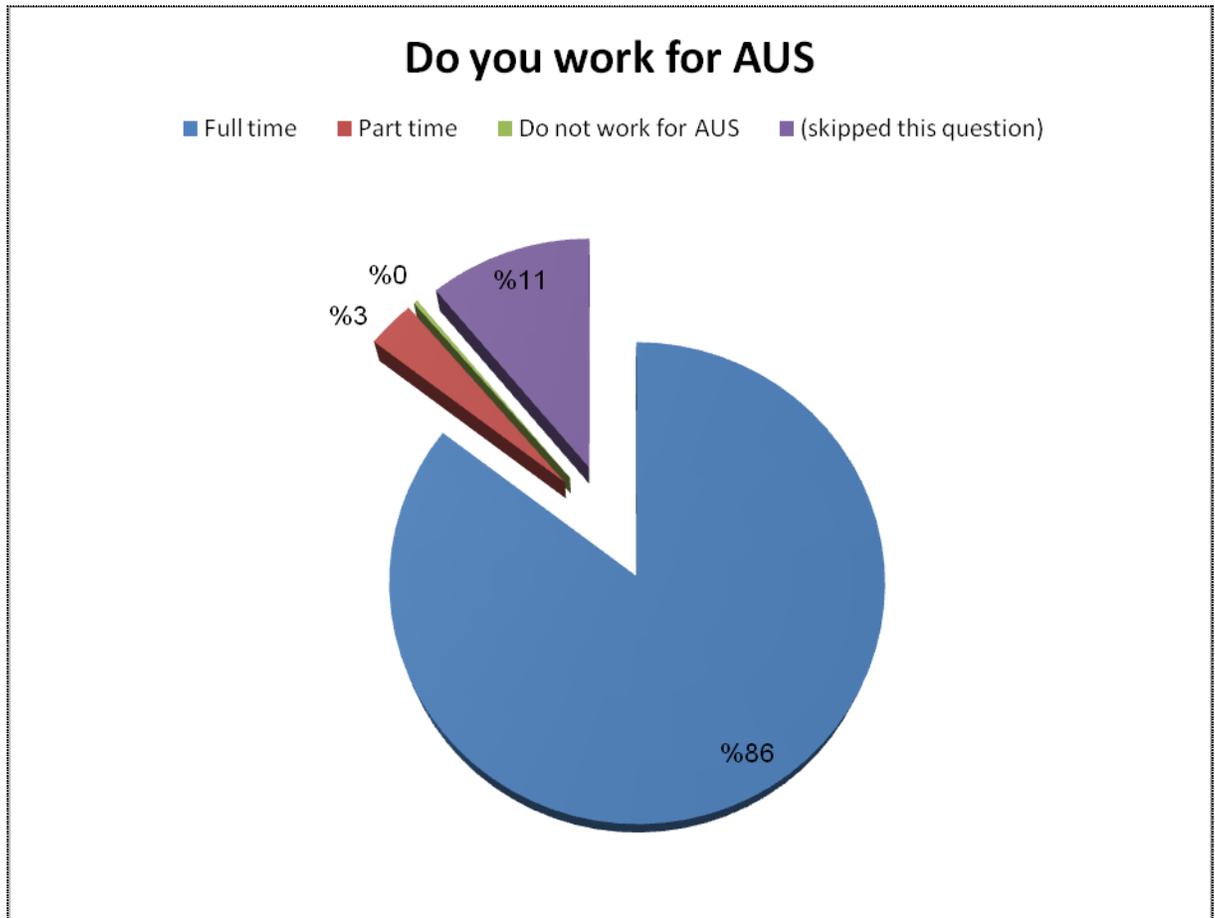
	Always (never any other way)	Most of the time (but not all of the time)	Regularly (at least one per week)	Occasionally (at least once per month)	Rarely (at least once ever)	Never (might consider)	Never (would not consider)	Response Total
Drive alone in private car	149	60	21	26	12	18	20	306
Carpool with one or more others in private car	14	14	13	19	41	72	133	306
Ride motorcycle	3	0	4	0	3	34	263	307
Take public taxi/limo service	3	3	4	16	50	39	192	307
Ride in public bus (private charter)	4	2	2	6	14	74	205	307
Ride in campus shuttle bus (AUS operated)	4	3	11	36	47	75	131	307
Ride bicycle	9	13	5	9	15	65	191	307
Walk	16	36	28	44	28	21	133	306
Other	4	2	5	7	12	53	223	306
Total Respondents	307							
(skipped this question)	28							

1.10 *If you use any means of transportation other than those listed in the previous question to get to the center of campus or if there is anything interesting or unusual about your daily commute please describe for us in your own words:*

Total Respondents	57
(skipped this question)	278

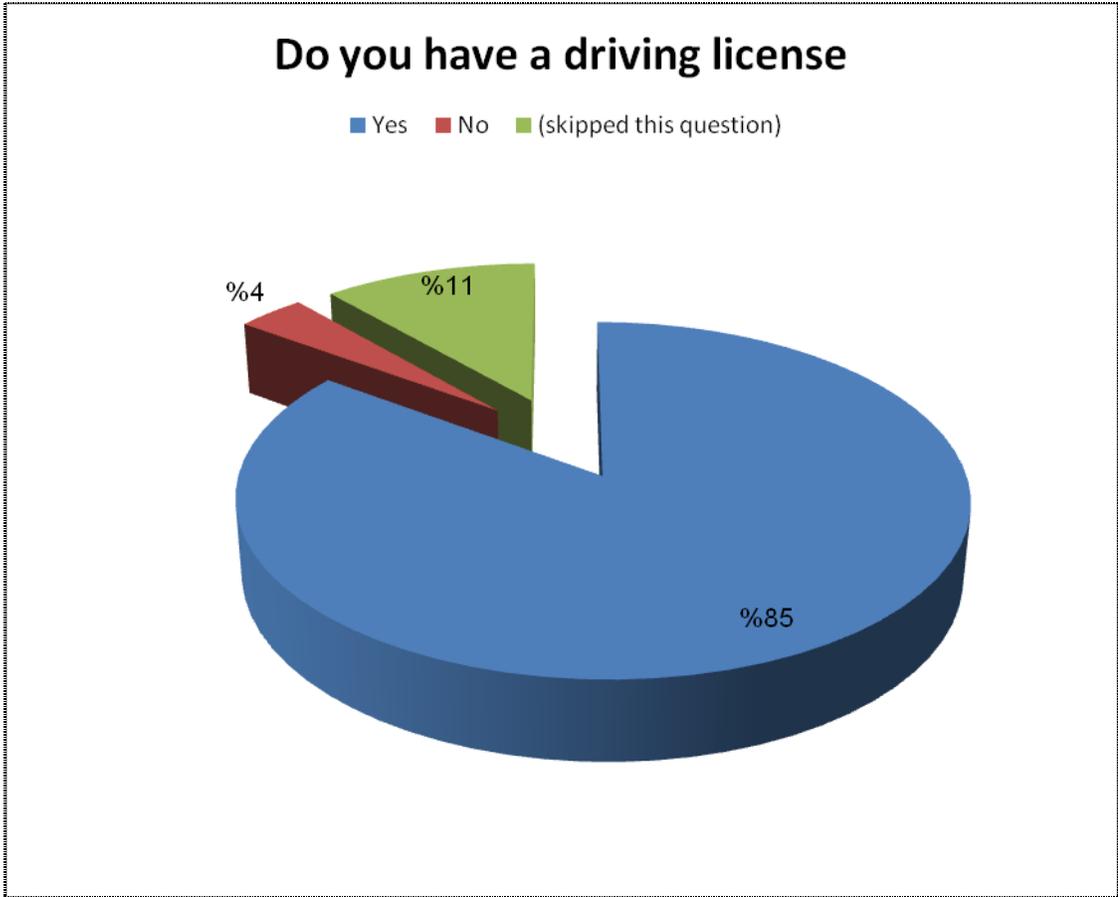
1.11 Do you work for AUS?

Full time	286
Part time	11
Do not work for AUS	1
(skipped this question)	37
Total Respondents	298



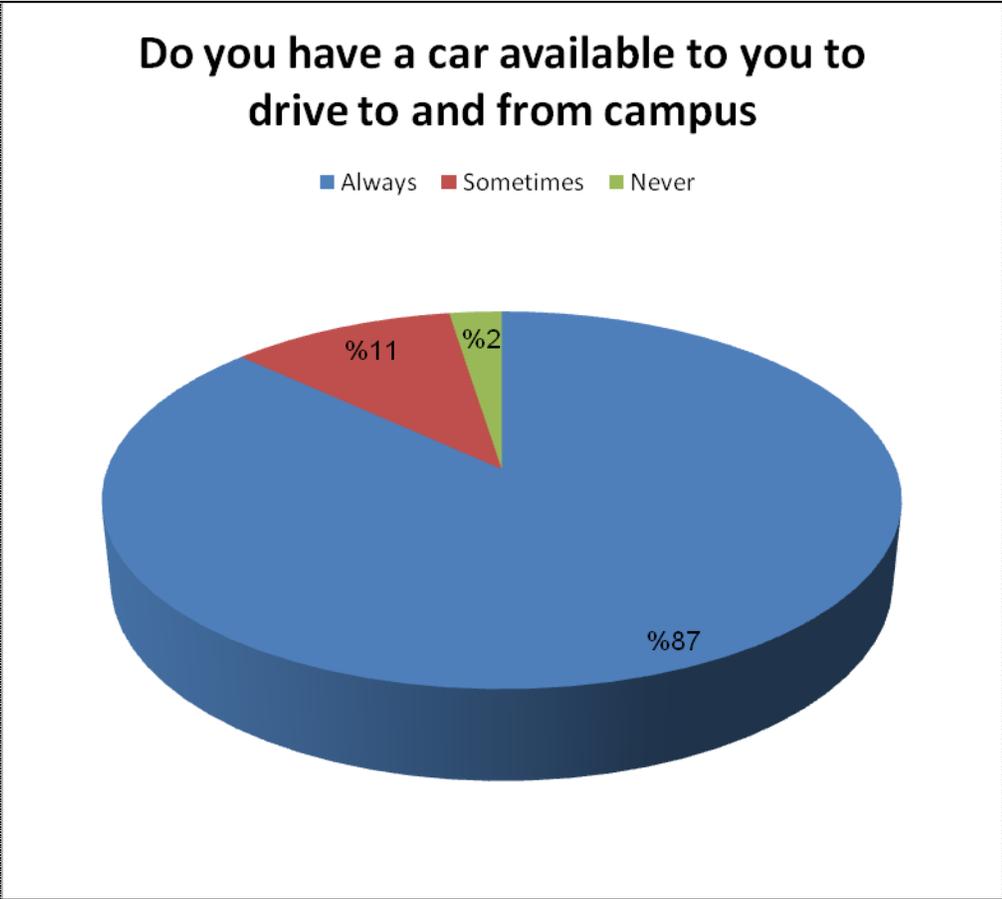
1.12 Do you have a driving license?

Yes	285
No	12
(skipped this question)	38
Total Respondents	297



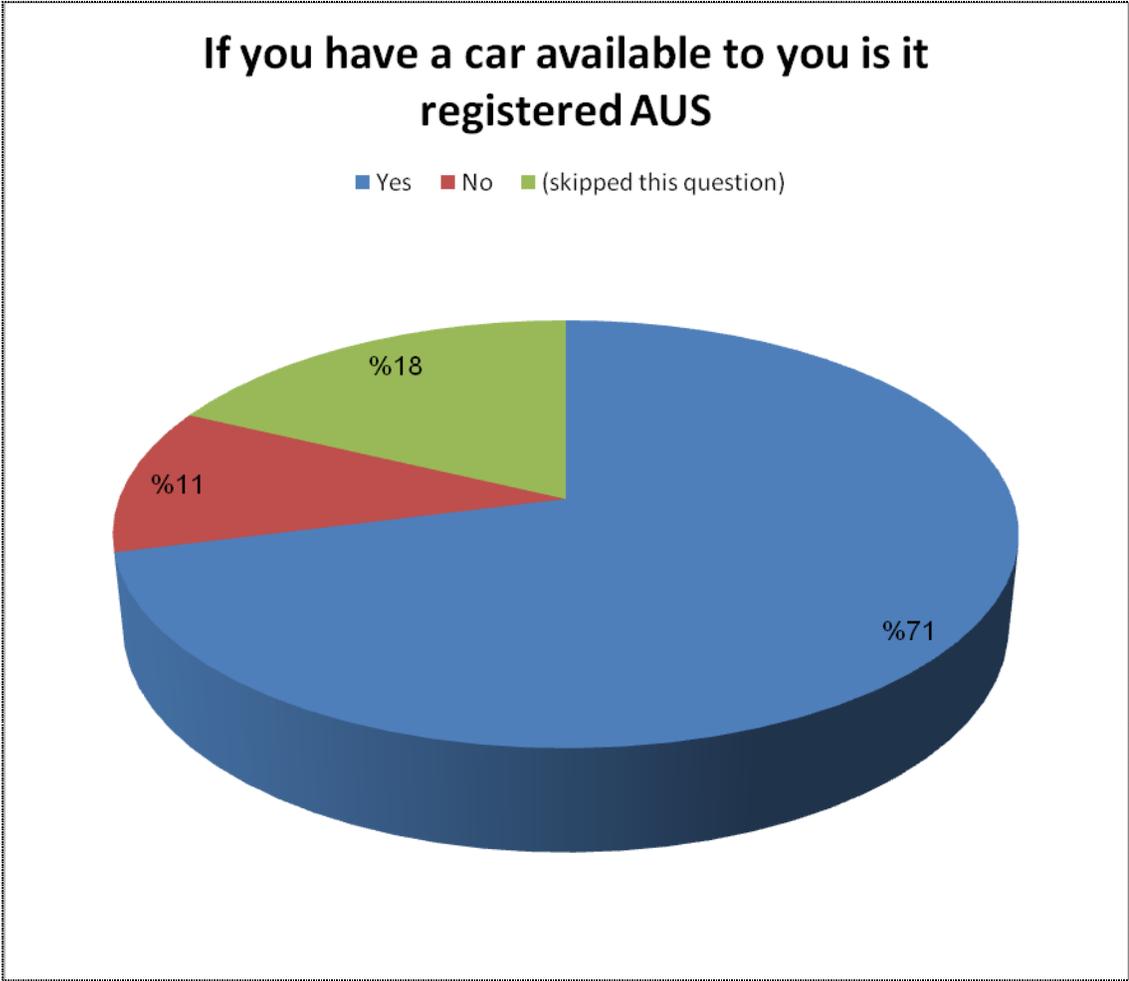
1.13 Do you have a car available to you to drive to and from campus?

Always	245
Sometimes	30
Never	7
Total Respondents (skipped this question)	282



1.14 If you have a car available to you is it registered with AUS?

Yes	238
No	37
(skipped this question)	60
Total Respondents	275



1.15 If your car is registered with AUS do you also have a paid parking sticker?

reserved parking sticker	48
paid parking sticker	135
free parking sticker	19
No	36
Total Respondents	238
(skipped this question)	7



1.16 Thinking about when you drive to the center of campus from where you live on regular weekdays (Sunday through Thursday) where do you usually park your vehicle? (Please choose the best response for each parking lot listed; refer to the map if you need assistance)

	Always (never any other place)	Most of the time (but not all of the time)	Regularly (at least one per week)	Occasionally (at least once per month)	Rarely (at least once ever)	Never (might consider)	Never (would not consider)	Response Total
P1 - Paid – Engineering	11	7	6	5	7	29	182	247
P2 - Paid – Engineering	14	5	8	6	7	30	177	247
P3 - Paid – Architecture	5	5	2	7	11	31	186	247
P4 - Paid – Architecture	8	7	1	5	16	26	184	247
P5 - Free – Remote	8	4	0	9	15	34	177	247
P6 - Free – Remote	10	4	1	7	15	32	178	247
P7 - Paid – CAS	11	7	2	14	10	22	181	247
P8 - Paid – CAS	21	15	1	9	4	21	176	247
P9 - Paid – Business	7	2	4	6	9	34	185	247
P10 - Paid – Business	6	2	3	5	7	35	189	247
P11 - Reserved – Staff (1/3 reserved for Eng.)	32	11	1	8	4	27	164	247
P12 - Reserved – Staff	30	7	1	6	6	31	166	247
P13 - Reserved - Business	11	2	0	2	4	34	194	247
P14 - Reserved – CAS	4	0	0	3	4	28	208	247
P15 - Reserved - Architecture	4	2	3	3	6	25	204	247
P16 - Visitor's Lot - Mosque	6	2	4	9	14	36	176	247
P17 - Reserved - Engineering	4	0	0	4	3	28	208	247
Total Respondents	247							
(skipped this question)	88							

1.17 If you could park anywhere on campus during regular weekdays which of the following parking lots would be your first second and third choices?

	First Choice	Second Choice	Third Choice	Response Total
P1 - Paid - Engineering	19	17	8	44
P2 - Paid - Engineering	8	17	11	36
P3 - Paid - Architecture	6	14	14	34
P4 - Paid - Architecture	7	10	10	27
P5 - Free - Remote	3	1	10	14
P6 - Free - Remote	1	3	9	13
P7 - Paid - CAS	8	25	9	42
P8 - Paid - CAS	30	16	5	51
P9 - Paid - Business	5	11	18	34
P10 - Paid - Business	2	5	12	19
P11 - Reserved – Staff (only 1/3 of it reserved to Eng. Faculty and other)	31	29	12	72
P12 - Reserved - Staff	54	19	10	83
P13 - Reserved - Business	15	8	15	38
P14 - Reserved - CAS	6	4	10	20
P15 - Reserved - Architecture	12	3	6	21
P16 - Visitor's Lot - Mosque	14	16	30	60
P17 - Reserved - Engineering	6	4	9	19
Total Respondents	228			
(skipped this question)	107			

1.18 What is the most that you would be willing to pay on an annual basis in order to be able to park in your preferred parking lot?

	First Choice	Second Choice	Third Choice	Response Total
Nothing	128	7	20	155
100 AED	29	106	15	150
200 AED	17	37	98	152
300 AED	31	17	26	74
400 AED	12	10	6	28
500 AED	8	0	7	15
600 AED	0	1	1	2
700 AED	2	1	0	3
800 AED	0	1	1	2
900 AED	0	1	0	1
1000 AED	4	0	0	4
Total Respondents	234			
(skipped this question)	101			

1.19 Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with each of the following statements concerning transportation. (Please circle one for each)

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Response Average
I need my car every day	113	46	33	37	20	2.22
I exercise on a regular basis	53	87	72	22	10	2.38
I like off road racing	11	17	33	54	131	4.13
I don't like to rely on others	121	74	31	15	4	1.8
I would rather not have to drive to campus	59	56	59	39	31	2.7
Cars are getting too expensive	59	92	69	20	6	2.28
Cars cause too much pollution	77	97	49	13	8	2.09
I need a new car	21	37	58	69	60	3.45
My schedule varies from day to day	53	78	34	54	26	2.68
I like the convenience of driving my own car	107	92	26	15	6	1.87
I have a lot of errands to run	52	75	76	32	8	2.46
Driving alone is the only way to go	49	36	55	69	36	3.03
I am proud of my car and like to be seen in it	21	27	90	55	52	3.37
Total Respondents	251					
(skipped this question)	84					

1.20 Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with each of the following statements concerning transportation. (Please circle one for each)

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Response Average
Public transit is just too slow	68	69	67	15	10	2.26
Carpooling is a good way to save money	38	105	63	14	9	2.35
Parking should be free for everyone	85	37	44	44	20	2.47
Riding a bicycle is not an option for me	79	46	36	36	33	2.56
Parking is readily available where I work	29	78	53	37	32	2.85
I enjoy walking around the AUS campus	58	90	71	7	5	2.18
Parking is too expensive where I work	24	47	94	51	13	2.92
I wish I had someone to carpool with	13	41	74	62	37	3.3
Transit service to and from the AUS campus should be increased	54	89	76	6	5	2.21
Riding a bicycle is easy and fun	36	75	63	35	21	2.7
I don't like riding the bus	45	47	70	54	13	2.75
Alternatives to driving alone are just not practical	28	61	79	41	20	2.84
The campus shuttle bus is very convenient	19	59	92	29	31	2.97
Carpooling is just too complicated for me	42	67	85	24	11	2.54
There is no transit service near where I live	44	37	66	59	24	2.92
Total Respondents	235					
(skipped this question)	100					

1.21 Do you have any other questions comments or ideas concerning transportation or parking at AUS?

I would like the bus to come to C block. No bus stop in C block at all. I like to see one.

Faculty should not have to compete with students over parking lots but have a designated parking area instead.

The survey should have been conducted before taking away the faculty parking. Frankly, I don't see how this survey will help, as AUS does what it wants regardless of what anyone says.

If faculty pay for parking, they ought to be guaranteed a place--not just the right to hunt in a lot.

why do I have to fill all questions? some questions are irrelevant and makes no sense (car prices, I need new car)

No

Yes. I think it is wrong that faculty do not have some preference in parking assignment. Under the new system I pay for parking but I can no longer find a parking space in the lot closest to my workplace when I arrive at work. Instead the lot is filled up with student parking. I don't think the parking fee will discourage students. They will probably pay MORE for the parking than faculty. But because of the nature of our work, and out of respect for our seniority, we should have access to a parking space at all times.

Since I almost always ride my bike, I would strongly suggest that curbs be altered at intersections so that I can use the sidewalks to ride on instead of the streets because the drivers here are sooooo inconsiderate/uneducated about bike riders. It would also make it a lot safer/convenient for children and stroller-parents and handicapped people if the curbs were altered at intersections.

no comments

The bus does not come to Block C. The bus is very small for me. I can barely fit inside the door and I feel like I am crawling to a seat.

nil

Warmest thanks and great appreciation for the efforts of the students, as well Dr. Robert Cook concerns

no thanks

The need for the car is mainly during the summer when it too hot to go outside and walk. During winter it is ok.

none

The bus service on campus is terrible. Buses don't run during lunch time. Buses drive past the place I want to get off two times and it will not stop. It takes 20 minutes, including waiting time, to take the bus,

10 minutes to walk and 5 minutes to ride a bicycle. The bus system is crazy.

I think we should charge a toll to students who drive alone to campus!

Some of the paid lots should be designated for faculty only.

Make some hourly parking for people who need to run in and out for dropping books, files... make the bus more available so people do not have to take their cars to campus.

Adequate parking spots should be reserved for all staff and faculty.

Require faculty to walk and leave the parking for the customers, namely students!

I think the Campus Bus system needs to be reviewed. The bus is very useful, but only in the mornings. In the evenings, rarely do people ride in the bus. This amounts to a waste of time, money, and unnecessary pollution of the environment.

I think Parking lot 8 should be reserved for faculty.

Current system looks good to me.

I fully agree that the bus is good as an option. However, as Faculty members, we have certain obligations toward our family which enforce using our own car to go back and forth between classes to fulfill their daily needs. Car pooling will never be a good choice because the bus is always on time but our colleagues are not always punctual!!.

The most unusual thing about my commute is that to ride safely on a bicycle, I need to ride on the sidewalks, which are nice and wide. However, there are almost no ramps at intersections, so I must get off and on my bike regularly. Installing ramps at each corner of each intersection on campus would also make it easier to walk with child strollers and wheelchairs. This should be a priority if the administration wants more people to take their bikes to work and a safer campus.

We need separate parking for staff/faculty.

The shuttle is very convenient as it passes right by my housing unit. The problem is that it takes such a circuitous route (going through every other housing unit before finally arriving to the university), that I actually get to campus much faster walking than by taking the shuttle . . . even though I live the furthest from campus among faculty. I would much prefer the shuttle to come less frequently, but to take a direct route into campus the few times that it does come.

The on-campus bus routes should be shortened, and run more frequently. The present ones don't make any sense.

Walking and cycling around campus is easy and pleasant. If there was regular public transport to off-campus locations (including on weekends) then I might not have purchased a car.

It seems that bicycling is being considered as an alternative to driving. I like to bicycle, but I do not do so during working hours, when the students are driving like maniacs. Some sort of law and order would

have to be imposed on student driving before I would consider bicycling to work. Also, bicycle racks for locking up bikes. I know there isn't much theft here, but I can't get used to leaving my bicycle unlocked.

please title 'architecture and design' rather than just 'architecture' in any future surveys otherwise the design faculty will feel left out. there could be a new transport system pioneered at aus that is solar powered public transport that serves the needs of the community. now that would be exciting

More people walking around campus adds to the life on campus.

Student and staff parking should be segregated. Otherwise, it causes too much disruption. People making the parking decisions already have reserved spaces.

No, thank you, however this survey is too long with lot of un-necessary questions to answer.

1. I wish something could be done about dangerous over speeding drivers on campus. 2. Bicycle ramps need to be placed in sidewalks. My entire family rides bikes and the kids have a difficult time getting onto/off sidewalks. And It is too dangerous for them to ride on the street. 3. The new sign posts placed on sidewalks take up nearly the entire sidewalk, causing a dangerous obstacle to maneuver around. very poor design!

This survey is way too long. You should combine multiple questions per page. That would really hit the spot. Faculty who whine and cry about parking at AUS need to get of their lazy butts and walk to work. There isn't a single building on campus that is more than 15 minutes away from another building on campus. Here's my message to AUS faculty: "Shut up, lazy!"

I think that AUS should reserve some spaces for faculty/staff who don't have to compete with students for parking. Thanks.

Faculty should have reserved parking and not have to compete with students. After shutting down the Engineering reserved parking, I have to park in the paid parking lot with students. In case I come after 9:00am to campus, I wont be able to find parking in P1 and P2. I end up wasting ~20 minutes looking for a parking then driving back and parking at home and walking for 15 minutes to office. This walk will be impossible starting March when the weather starts getting warm. Waiting for the AUS bus under the heat is also impossible between March and November.

There is no consideration for handicapped in your survey. Although there is handicapped parking, it is in the outward parking, not a consideration for the handicapped. To my knowledge there is no handicapped parking with a handicapped permit that exists close to the builings.

no - but the survey is much too long

Great survey -- good luck!

1) Campus shuttle with students (especially the opposite gender) is not pleasant at all. 2) The bus takes forever (when it comes). I have been stuck in the rain (campus shuttle), been late to class, and waited for over an hour (bus to Dubai. I have now given up on the shuttle. Please note that I used public transport exclusively when I lived in my home country. 3) Faculty should not have to pay for parking. We carry students' work, laptops, etc. 4) If biking were safer, I would take advantage of this way of getting exercise and transport at the same time. 5) I would not own a car at all if there were daily buses to Dubai for faculty too. My husband works in Dubai and needs a car. Traffic is so bad that I will often meet him there (easier and faster than him coming home during rush hour) for dinner or for a movie or for shopping. If there were a bus at the end of every day (5PM) that faculty could use too, I could probably get by with just a bike for on-campus and one car for our family.

Be considerate when you park. Always think the other person also needs the same convenience that you enjoy. Don't drive rashly inside campus coz you are a hazard to those around you. Rash drivers should face consequences of fines if security catches them.

Make the bus routes more convenient to reduce the time it takes to go from housing to campus. The scheduling and routing are the worst they can be.

The parking system at AUS is cheaper and much more convenient than at any other university I have worked at in the US. I like walking to and from work when the weather is nice; however, I cannot do so during the long, hot months in the UAE. Also, walking is not an option when I am carrying a bunch of books, students' assignments, etc. I have tried using the AUS shuttle busses but have found them to be slow, unreliable, and sometimes overcrowded. Since AUS faculty and staff live on the fringes of the cities of Sharjah and Dubai, taking cabs to run errands can be expensive and inconvenient. Thank you

There should be small separate lots for faculty and staff. they were available, but now have been taken away. Competing with students for a space does not work well. I drive because I have to drop off my baby to daycare and pick her up. It can be very difficult to find a space and get to class or meetings on time in the mornings.

We live in the new N blocks. Please could a new bus stop be created for these blocks as when it is hot the old ones are far to walk to. The Deira city center evening bus is too late and stays for too long for anyone who isn't a student. It is essentially a bus for students. Is it meant to be? Would it be possible to get some alternative routes? How about Sahara Centre? Or City Center Mall, Sharjah? And go earlier and come back earlier?

If there were more shade on campus, it would be more comfortable to walk year round. In fact, I probably would walk even in the early autumn and late spring if I could walk the entire way in the shade. But I suppose building canopies over the sidewalks would be too expensive. Perhaps a system of underground tunnels would work, as they use at some universities in very cold climates.

Students in the dorms should not be allowed to drive to the central part of campus during the work week. Additionally, the P11 lot should only be for faculty and staff (no students). Lastly, we need to enforce driving regulations better on campus. People drive too fast, run stop signs, pass other cars, fail to stop at the crosswalks, etc.

As live on campus and always walk to work I don't see parking as an important issue for me personally.

P11 is marked Paid Parking -- NOT Reserved for Staff. All cars with paid parking stickers are allowed to park there --THIS IS AN ERROR IN YOUR SURVEY. Faculty should have reserved parking and not fight with students for a spot.

Considering the temperatures most of the year, I am astounded to that there was no provision made of parking under the buildings and worse still no covered walk ways from the parking areas to the buildings and between buildings. I am unwilling to pay to park my car a considerable distance from the building I work in under these circumstances.

Ramps for bicycles all over the campus would make it safer and more convenient to encourage bike riding.

I am satisfied with AUS parking regulations and costs.

Increase in public transportations & it should be available for staff as well as students.

The campus bus is MUCH TOO SMALL. We have many tall and big men (students and faculty and staff) on campus. The campus buses are made for midgets!!! Please provide bigger buses that would fit these men. Try putting in Richard Munday in a bus that's nearly full. IT'S RIDICULOUS! PLEASE SEND BUSING THRU BLOCK C! WE WOULD APPRECIATE IT.

I dislike the idea of faculty paying for parking, but if they must, then they should have reserved areas and not have to compete with students on a daily basis. I find the bus schedule to be hard to read and ineffective. I usually think it's easier to walk somewhere than to wait for the bus. When I go to work in the evenings (always after 6 pm) or weekends, I park where ever I want since the lots are usually empty. I think the issue of public transportation or carpooling should be brought up to students (rather than teachers). It does not seem to be an accepted concept here. Please make sure all streets are clearly lit every night for pedestrians and bicyclists. I noticed that the road to the girls' dorms used to be dark all the time. This is especially dangerous since

the girls are more likely to be wearing abayas and drivers speeding down that road would never see them. I think that it has since been lit (I heard a rumor that the lights were turned on because someone reported a girl and a boy taking advantage of the dark. I think it's sad that something like that would get the lights turned on, but not concern that a girl might get hit because a car wouldn't see her.)

Ramps should be installed on all sidewalks at intersections and other main crossing points. This would enable bicycle riders, as well as mothers pushing carriages, to quickly and safely cross streets, thus enabling them to keep away from traffic. I ride my bicycle almost every day, and I see many occasions when riders and pedestrians are put in dangerous situations due to being unable to quickly get off the road and out of harms way.

on campus residents & students should be discourage on using there cars & should walk or use a bicycle instead, unless its really necessary for their job in AUS to use a car(eg. doctors & nurses who attends on call emergency) or those who are not medically fit to walk.

See my previous comments on ramps. Also, I find it outrageous that more faculty, staff, and students don't walk or cycle. It's a SMALL campus and takes very little time. I think someone on campus needs to actively promote these means of transportation as a public awareness campaign.

Please make if more convenient for bikes and strollers to get on and off of the curbs.

I do not mind paying for parking if I am assured of getting a parking space. I think that faculty and student parking should be separated.

I am a doctor who is 24 hours oncall every other week. I have to attend to medical emergencies in the dorms and housing even in the middle of the night.Unfortunately I am not provided any transportation facility by the AUS and had to therefore take a carloan to buy a car just to attend to emergencies on campus eventhough I prefer to walk to work.

Staff should not have to pay to park & yes, more bike ammenities need to be included into the AUS environment, i.e. bike lanes, bike parking, ramps on every corner, etc.

I think there should be a system to encourage faculty, staff, administration (including the higher levels) to walk. Unless there is a medical reason, no one who lives on campus should be allowed to park on the main campus every day. You could put the gates back onto faculty parking areas and restrict faculty to 50 days of parking. Put a large fee on extra days. People would have to be selective on what days they choose to drive to the center of campus. I choose to walk from place to place on campus even though I have a vehicle. Also, I believe that parking in P13 (between chem & business) should be 1 hour timed parking (75%) & visitor (25%), for temporary runs into those buildings.

They should not be reserved parking!! That is unfair.

This year, the university imposed a paid parking system for the AUS community. While I find that the fee annual fee is quite reasonable, I do find that the system of parking is a complete joke. There are several things that should be addressed. 1) Why is staff competing with students for parking? Any faculty/staff parking lot in a North American University has specified, paid parking for faculty and staff. It's ridiculous that staff & faculty have to compete with students in the P11 parking lot. 2) The parking lot is rarely supervised by security. It was encouraging to see security in the P11 parking during most of the 1st week of the spring semester to deter others from taking parking spots, but now security has disappeared after 9am! 3) Oftentimes, students will park in the paid, reserved parking spots. The violator simply receives a ticket and is not towed out of the paid, reserved spot. How does this benefit the person who has paid for the reserved parking spot, arrives to park in his or her said parking spot, and has to go find parking elsewhere? It simply makes no sense! Money is being collected for a reserved parking space that is not being reserved for the intended party. The faculty member who has paid for the parking spot has lived up to the agreement, why is it that the university can not make good on this contract? Thus, the university is making money twice from a paid, reserved parking spot in P11; once from the annual fee and then from the violators. I seriously doubt violators can get away with such behavior in the paid reserved parking designated for the main building administrators. This is incredibly frustrating and spreads a great deal of ill will. 4) Why is it that there are no lights on at night in P11 and that there is broken glass in the parking lot? Essentially, I am paying for a parking space that someone else can take yet only receive a ticket for a violation in addition to having to park in broken glass that takes weeks for the municipality to clean.

As in nearly every institution in the West, AUS should have designated parking lots for Faculty and Staff. If AUS wants to maintain its "appearance" as a US-style university, then it should give its workers the minimum assistance with parking that is allotted workers in the US. all faculty should have reserved parking spots. if they are late 30-40 students suffer

I work on KL men dorm where we enjoy frr parking lots

There should be a system of transportation for the AUS staff who live off campus. The main entrance getes should be opened 24 hours a day. One gate to be opened during evening hours is not conveneint for those who work in a shifts basis

I think we should have public buses from and into the major parts of the City.

I comment to have a bus transportation system from some common

places from Sharjah, Ajman & Dubai for AUS staff; instead of everyone driving his/her own car. Thanks Addisu.

I appreciate your efforts to make things convenient to the AUS community.

nothing

No

all parking lots should be free for faculty, staff, and students. All should be assigned their own lots, so parking lots for students and another one for AUS faculty and staff. First comes, first gets a parking space.

No

Priority should be given to provide free parking to all faculty and staff at AUS. Considering the land area of campus, efficiently designed underground parking would help achieve this goal. Paid parking is not a solution to the ongoing problem may it be at AUS or the entire Emirate. Better Comuting to the regular work place, like good frequency of buses trains etc. and parking should be free and reserved from staff as we need it daily. and cannot live without it as of now.

If Bus service could be advertised for staff and routes and timing easily accessable, I could consider that instead of using the car.

i beleive separat private parking areas should be for stds and staff for the convience of all.

the parking in the aus should be free for the employee also they must be one of the security department responsibilities not only issing fins

The parking provided at almost every work place is free unlike AUS

The route for the AUS bus shuttle should increase. There are many areas which the bus route doesnot cover

Yes I have. If I work for some place, I need to be able to do the work that is expected. My work place should be convenient. Parking in a good proximity of the building I work in is no luxury especially when it's very hot in the summer. Give staff parkings near building, now we are competing with students. If I knew that in advance I would have gone and asked for a reserved parking. And Parking 11 is not all reserved by the way; you need to modify the survey. Some questions are not clear and needs rephrasing and some are not even valid. Thank you for your effort putting this together.

Parking must be made free for staff. Reserved parking creates big hassles as they are not well coordinated. If AUS provides transportation for staff residing off campus for free to and fro, less parking space would be required on campus. Everybody is facing problems these days due to congestion on roads and as driving is becoming a nightmare. Providing transportation for staff would be the best solution.

I wish Parking would be free as everything in the UAE is getting very expensive, it really affects to the staff who are leaving outside campus, it adds more burden to us if we (stay off-campus) will have more other

expenses.

you need to consider individual issues, such as the number of children one has, that they go to different schools so walking, riding a bike are simply impractical.

Designate staff & student parking in # 13 as one finds it difficult to find parking spaces on returning to work after a brief break. Staff reserved parking must be assigned based on the staff position and/or grade; or pro rate per the number of employees in each department, as some departments has fewer employees than others. It is not fair to give same number of parking spaces to a department w/ 15 or more staff against the other w/c has only a few.

I think if you they can built multi level parking mabye solve the problems of parking.

To be honest, I dont know why such a matter as parking should be an issue. I feel parking should be free and available for all, we are living in a most inconvenient climate, most of the year, its enough that we have to walk to reach for our offices.

thanks for the survey.

Yes, it should be offered to all staff including those living off-campus because: 1. Transportation is provided for employees living on campus only and it is not fair to those living off-campus. 2. Local (UAE) labor rules clearly state that if employees live more than 1 km away from the workplace, Employer are responsible for providing transportatation to employees.

In order to lessen parking problems encountered by staff in the university, staff should also be given a low cost housing accommodation within the vicinity. Rents can be automatically deducted from them. This will be a lesser burden for all of the staff travelling for almost 2 hours just to arrive on time. Also, this will lesses parking spaces as walking will be the best alternative to a nearest working place.

I believe that the area in between the main building and the Sports Complex is WASTED SPACE and should be accomodated for parking. The other WASTED SPACE on campus which could be well-utilized for parking is in between the main building and the girls dorms. So much money is spent on keep those areas green and flowery when I'm certain they would be more appreciated and better utilized as parking areas. People don't "hang-out" in those areas anyways...that's what the Student Center is for. Even if people do occasionally meet or sit in those areas, they would never do so in the hot months. If the seating wasn't there, I don't think people would ask for them. PRIORITIES, AUS!! PRIORITIES!! Lets be PRACTICAL!

There should be more parking lots for staff and students and they also be free.

please increase the no. of the parking lots.

If a person is having some work and he is coming late or for example If I have to go to my kids school for some thing and come back to work during my lunch hour, then when I come back to the campus parking lot for which I had paid and took a PP car sticker I donot get parking and I have to park the car in the free parking lots no matter how far are those from my the main building. Its a big hassle. Imagine if you leave the office for just your lunch time and come back then you donot get any parking except the free parking.

none

Parking fee should be reduced for full time staff and reserved parking for all staff. Visitors should be charged a parking fee. Having a shuttle bus for off campus staff will lessen parking slots.

Considering the expansion the city is experiencing, it is only fair to introduce a well connected, timely, affordable public transport system. This will take care of the population, road congestion, pollution and the increasing accidents that we experience.

There should be no reserve parking. I agree to reserved space for Chancellors, VC and Deans, but for the rests, it should be equal.

Parking should be for free for staff and closer to the building they work in especially in the summer. Students should have special parking too but prioroty should be given to staff. Students can easily car pool while staff usually cannot do that.

all employess should have assigned parking.

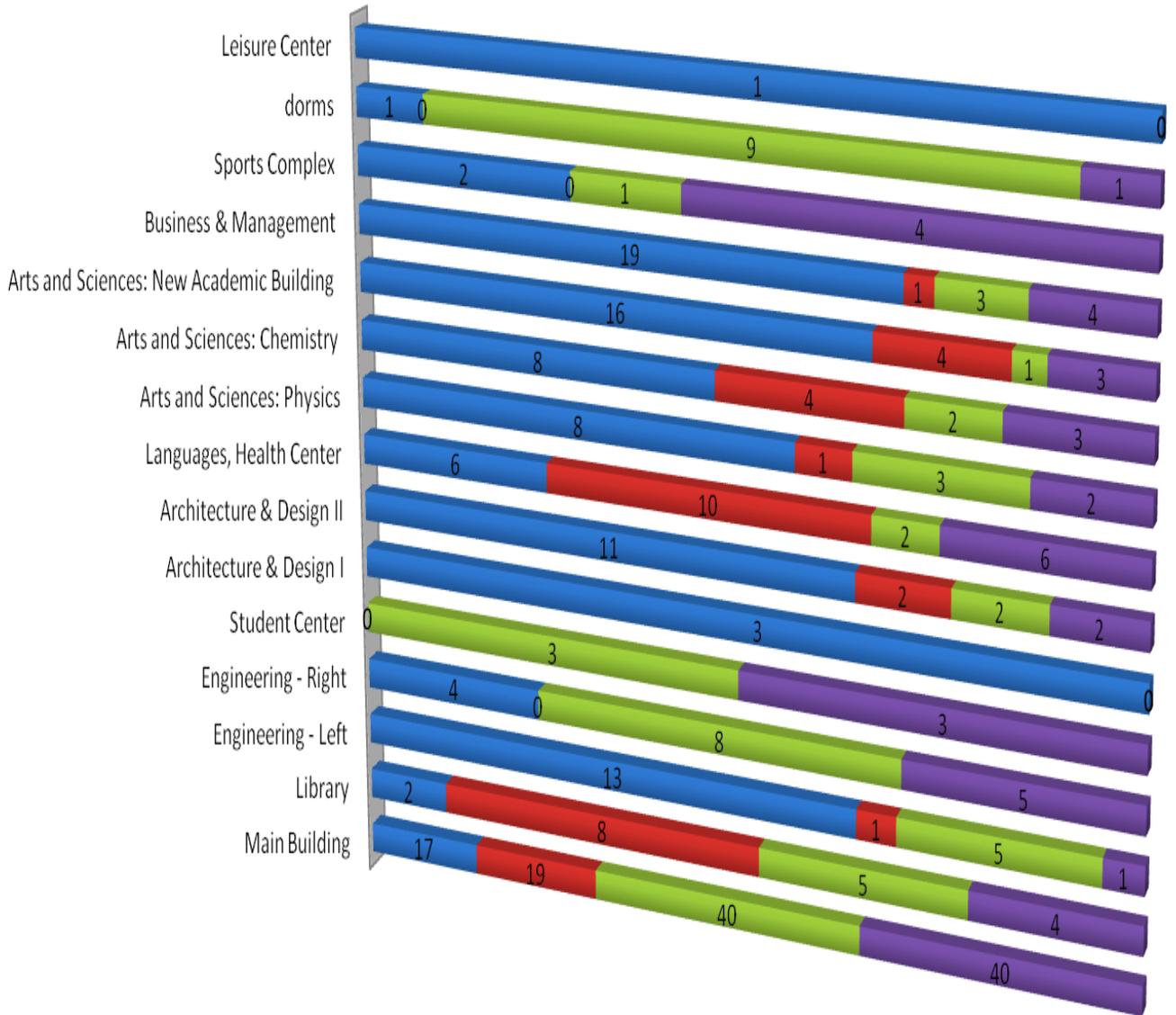
The biggest problem with any parking is people parking their cars outside designated parking areas ie. footpath, reserved parking, side of parking lot, side of the road, bus stops etc

None

A parking space distinction for staff and faculty should be categorised. the employee parking space should be for employees only and should not be for students, they should be separated

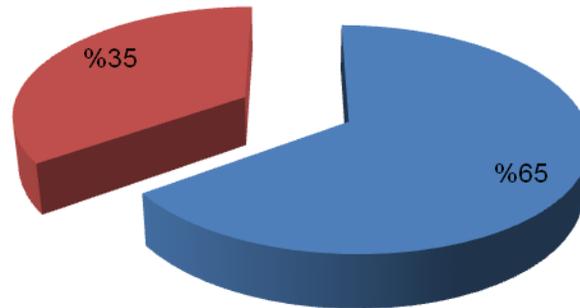
In which building do you currently work?

Male-on Female-on Male-off Female-off



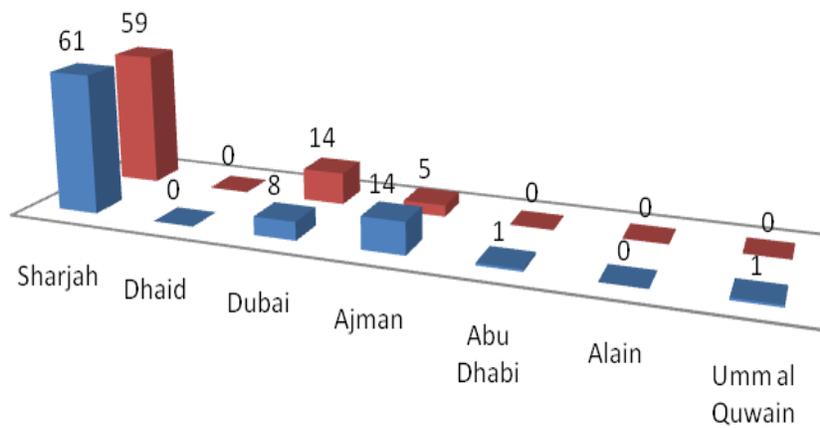
Faculty/staff housing West-East

■ Male -on ■ Female -on



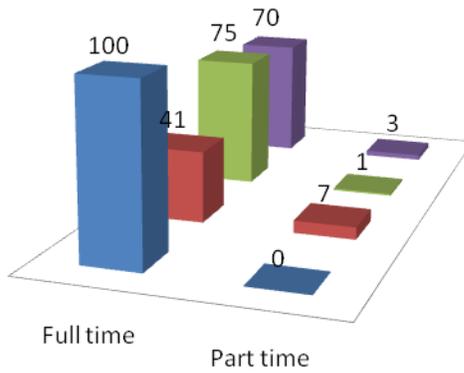
Which city do you currently live?

■ Male -off ■ Female -off



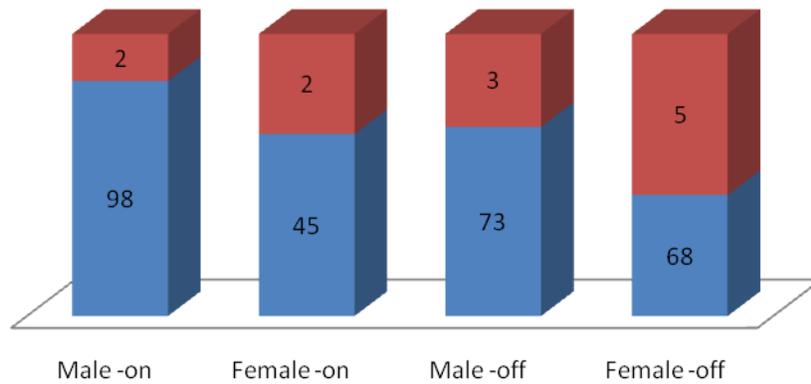
Do you work for AUS?

■ Male-on ■ Female-on ■ Male-off ■ Female-off



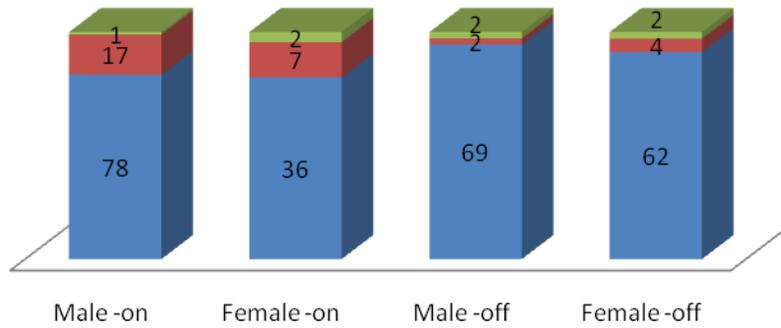
Do you have a driving license?

■ Yes ■ No



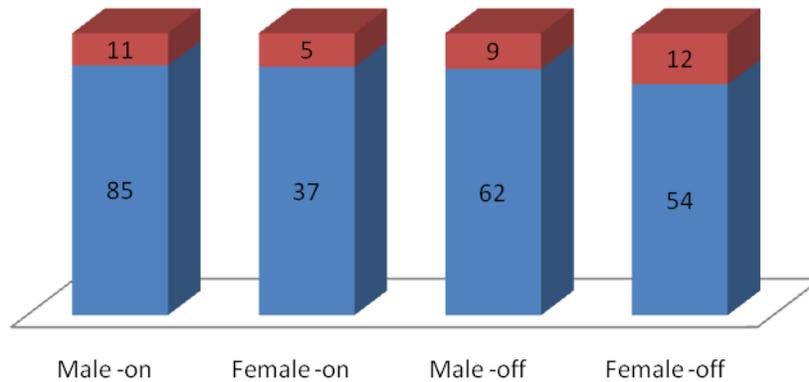
Do you have a car available to drive to and from campus

Always Sometimes Never



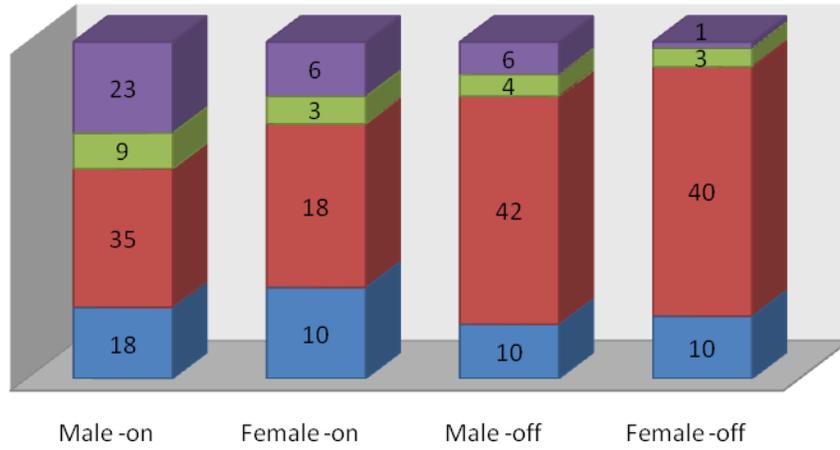
Is your car registered with AUS?

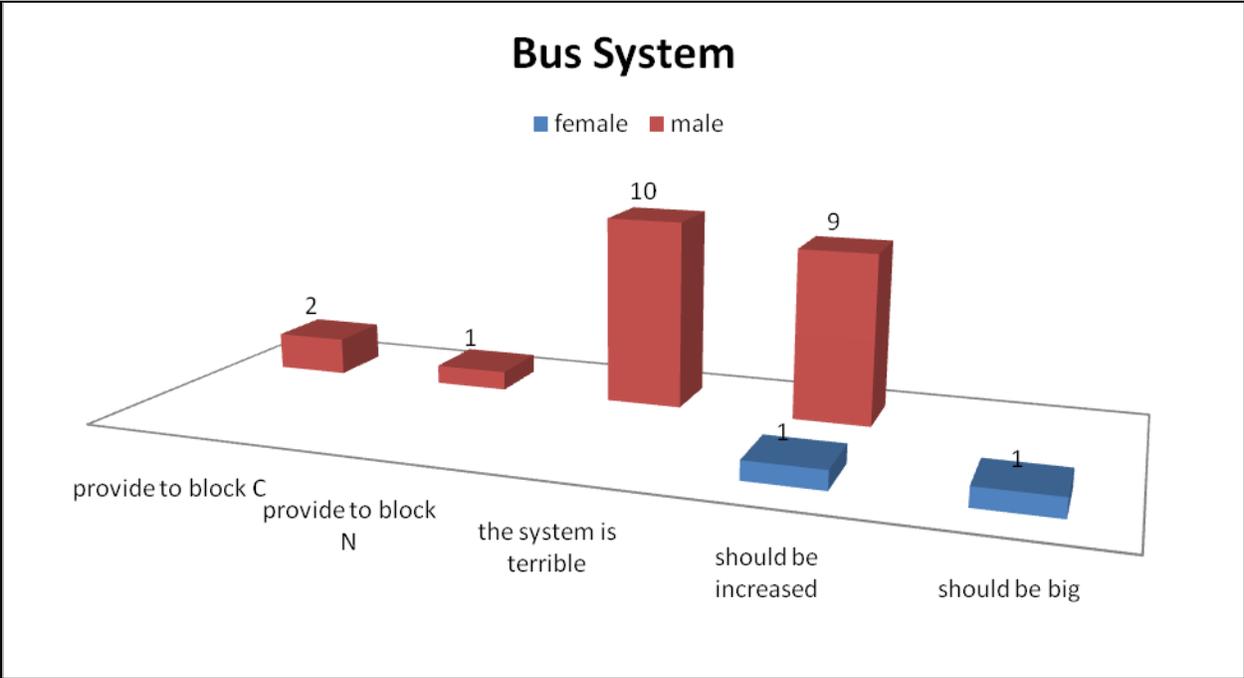
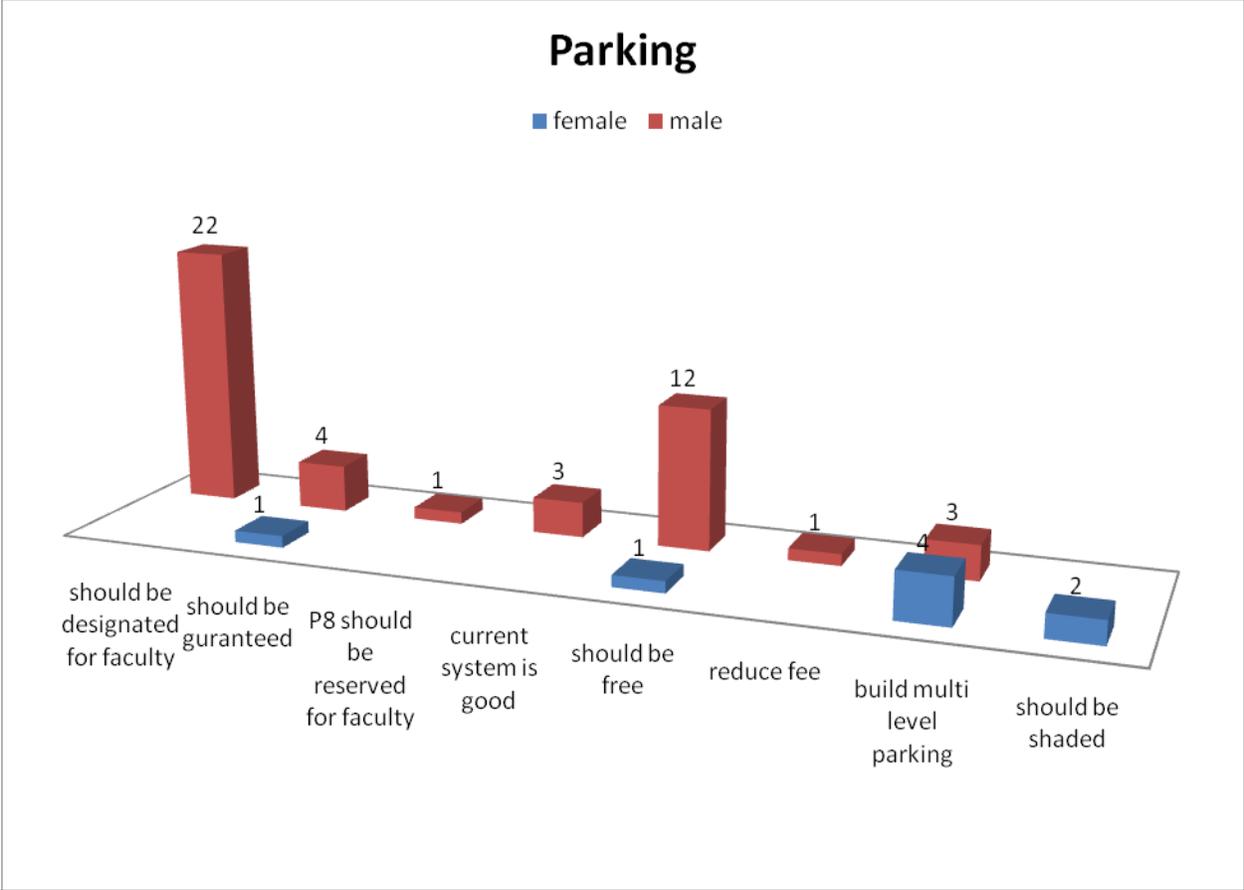
Yes No



Do you have a paid parking sticker

■ Yes, reserved parking sticker ■ Yes, paid parking sticker
■ Yes, free parking sticker ■ No





AN INVESTIGATION OF
PARKING PROBLEMS
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AUS

(GRADUATES & UNDERGRADUATES STUDENT
VERSION)

APPENDIX B

3 AUS parking study - student version (revised)

Many colleges and universities experience parking difficulties because of the rapid expansion of campus populations and the resulting increased need for car parking spaces.

We face a similar situation here at AUS. Your participation in this survey gives you the chance to inform decision makers about the parking and transportation issues you face everyday. The purpose of this study is to identify alternatives to help address parking and transportation concerns here at AUS.

Please take your time with this survey and answer the questions as you go along.

Please be sure that your answers are what you REALLY WANT.

Questions marked with an * require an answer in order to produce a valid survey. Thank you for your interest and cooperation!

2. Affiliation

*** What is your primary affiliation with AUS? (Please choose one)**

Undergraduate student
Graduate student

3. Undergraduate programs

*** In which program of study are you currently enrolled? (Please scroll down and select one)**

- 1.** BA English Language and Literature
- 2.** BA International Studies
- 3.** BA Mass Communication
- 4.** BS Environmental Sciences
- 5.** B Architecture
- 6.** BS Design Management
- 7.** B Interior Design
- 8.** BS Multimedia Design
- 9.** BS Visual Communication
- 10.** BA Economics
- 11.** BS Business Administration
- 12.** BS Finance

- 13. BS Management Information Systems
- 14. BS Chemical Engineering
- 15. BS Civil Engineering
- 16. BS Computer Engineering
- 17. BS Computer Science
- 18. BS Electrical Engineering
- 19. BS Mechanical Engineering

4. Graduate programs

*** In which program of study are you currently enrolled? (Please scroll down and select one)**

- 1. MA Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)
- 2. MA English/Arabic/English Translation and Interpreting (MATI)
- 3. M Urban Planning (MUP)
- 4. M Business Administration (MBA)
- 5. M Public Administration (MPA)
- 6. MS Engineering Systems Management
- 7. MS Mechatronics

5. Age

What is your age, in years? (Please choose one)

- 1. Less than 18
- 2. 18-26
- 3. 27-35
- 4. 36-44
- 5. 45-53
- 6. 54-62
- 7. 63+

6. Gender

*** Are you**

- 1. Male
- 2. Female

7. Residence

*** Where do you currently live? (please choose one)**

- 1. On Campus
- 2. Off campus

8. Residence - on campus

*** If you live on campus, in which dorm do you live? (please choose one; you may refer to the map above if you like)**

1. A
2. B
3. C
4. D
5. E
6. F
7. G
8. H
9. I
- 10.J
- 11.K
- 12.L
- 13.M
- 14.N
- 15.O
- 16.P
- 17.Q

9. Residence - off campus

* If you live off campus, in which city do you currently live? (please choose only one)

10. Sharjah
- 11.Dhaid
12. Dubai
13. Ajman
14. Abu Dhabi
15. Alain
16. Umm al Quwain
17. Ras Al Khaima
18. Fujairah

10. Mode of travel

* About how often do you use each of the following modes of travel to get to the center of campus from where you live on regular weekdays (e.g., Sunday through Thursday)? (Please select one answer for each row)

	Always (never any other way)	Most of the time (but not all of the time)	Regularly (at least one per week)	Occasionally (at least once per month)	Rarely (at least once ever)	Never (would not consider)
Drive alone in private car						
Carpool with one or more others in private car						
Ride motorcycle						
Take public taxi/limo service						
Ride in public bus (private charter)						
Ride in campus shuttle bus (AUS operated)						
Ride bicycle						
Walk						
Other						

11. Other means of transportation, not previously listed

If you use any means of transportation other than those listed in the previous question to get to the center of campus, or if there is anything interesting or unusual about your daily commute, please describe for us in your own words:

12. Working status

Do you work?

- 4.** Full time
- 5.** Part time
- 6.** Don't work

13. Driving license

* Do you have a driving license?

Yes No

14. Car availability

* Do you have a car available to you to drive to and from campus?

Always Sometimes Never

15. Car registration

* If you have a car available to you, is it registered with AUS?

Yes No

16. Parking paid sticker

* If your car is registered with AUS, do you also have a paid parking sticker?

- 4.** Yes, paid parking sticker
- 5.** Yes, free parking sticker
- 6.** No

17. Parking lot location - usual



* Thinking about when you drive to the center of campus from where you live on regular weekdays (Sunday through Thursday), where do you usually park your vehicle? (Please choose the best response for each parking lot listed; refer to the map if you need assistance)

	Always (never any other way)	Most of the time (but not all of the time)	Regularly (at least one per week)	Occasionally (at least once per month)	Rarely (at least once ever)	Never (would not consider)
P1 - Paid - Engineering						
P2 - Paid - Engineering						
P3 - Paid - Architecture						
P4- Paid - Architecture						
P5 - Free - Remote						
P6 - Free - Remote						

P7 - Paid - CAS
P8 - Paid - CAS
P9 - Paid - Business
P10 - Paid - Business
P11 - Reserved - Staff (1/3 reserved to Eng.)
P12 - Reserved - Staff
P13 - Reserved - Business
P14 - Reserved - CAS
P15 - Reserved - Architecture
P16 - Visitor's Lot - Mosque
P17 - Reserved - Engineering

18. Parking lot location - preferred

If you could park anywhere on campus during regular weekdays, which of the following parking lots would be your first, second, and third choices?

	First Choice	Second Choice	Third Choice
P1 - Paid - Engineering			
P2 - Paid - Engineering			
P3 - Paid - Architecture			
P4 - Paid - Architecture			
P5 - Free - Remote			
P6 - Free - Remote			
P7 - Paid - CAS			
P8 - Paid - CAS			
P9 - Paid - Business			
P10 - Paid - Business			
P11 - Reserved - Staff (1/3 reserved to Eng.)			
P12 - Reserved - Staff			
P13 - Reserved - Business			
P14 - Reserved - CAS			
P15 - Reserved - Architecture			
P16 - Visitor's Lot - Mosque			
P17 - Reserved - Engineering			

19. Parking lot location - willingness to pay

What is the most that you would be willing to pay on an annual basis in order to be able to park in your preferred parking lot?

	First Choice	Second Choice	Third Choice
Nothing			
100 AED			
200 AED			
300 AED			
400AED			
500 AED			
600 AED			
700 AED			
800 AED			
900 AED			
1000 AED			

20. Attitude

Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with each of the following statements concerning transportation. (Please circle one for each)

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
I need my car every day					
I exercise on a regular basis					
I like off road racing					
I don't like to rely on others					
I would rather not have to drive to campus					
Cars are getting too expensive					
Cars cause too much pollution					
I need a new car					
My schedule varies from day to day					

I like the convenience of driving my own car
I have a lot of errands to run
Driving alone is the only way to go
I am proud of my car and like to be seen in it

21. Attitude

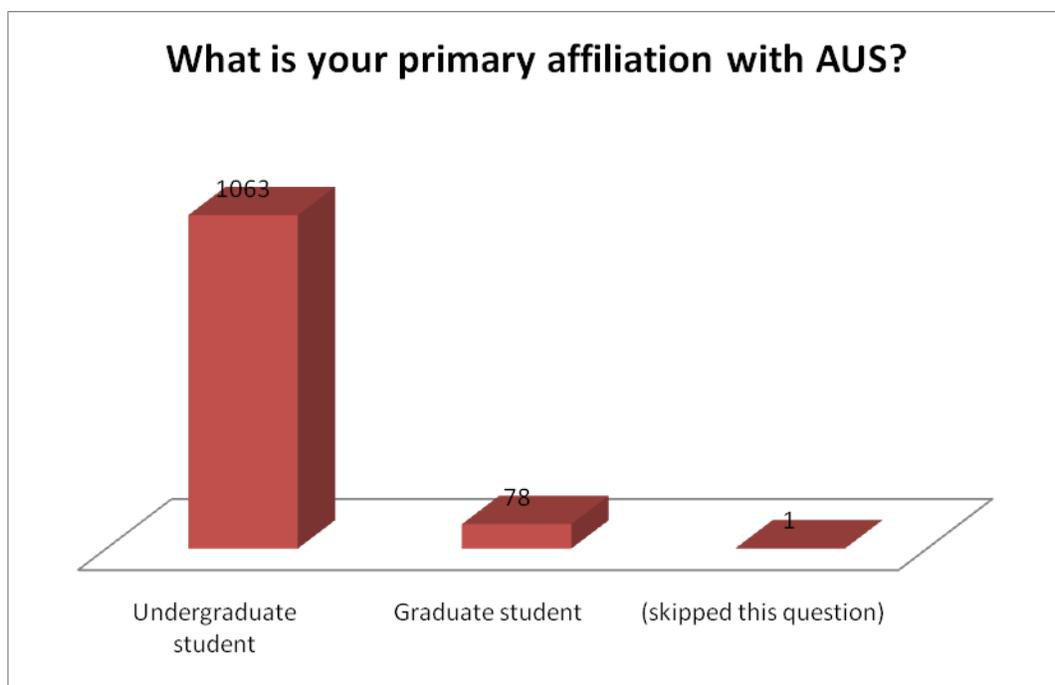
Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with each of the following statements concerning transportation. (Please circle one for each)

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Public transit is just too slow					
Carpooling is a good way to save money					
Parking should be free for everyone					
Riding a bicycle is not an option for me					
Parking is readily available where I work					
I enjoy walking around the AUS campus					
Parking is too expensive where I work					
I wish I had someone to carpool with					
Transit service to and from the AUS campus should be increased					
Riding a bicycle is easy and fun					
I don't like riding the bus					
Alternatives to driving alone are just not practical					
The campus shuttle bus is very convenient					
Carpooling is just too complicated for me					
There is no transit service near where I live					

4 Survey response for the Graduate & Undergraduate

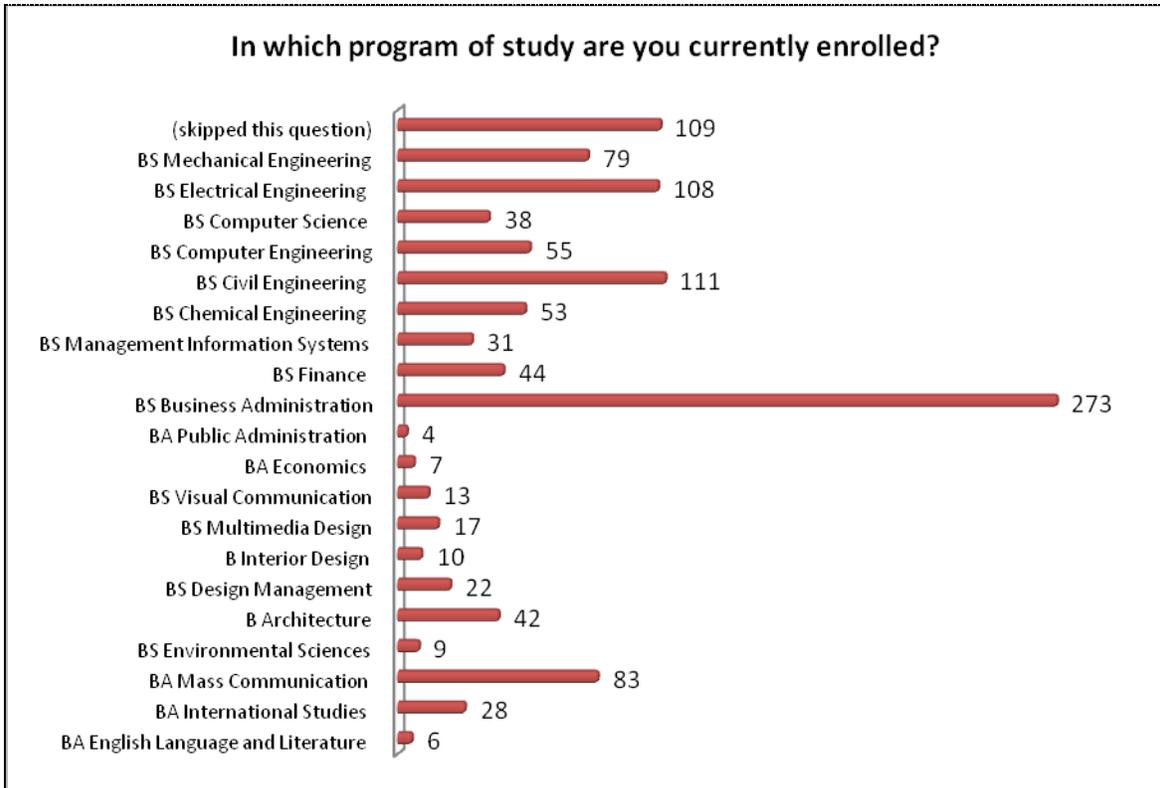
4.1 What is your primary affiliation with AUS? (Please choose one)

Undergraduate student	1063
Graduate student	78
(skipped this question)	1
Total Respondents	1141



**4.2 In which program of study are you currently enrolled?(
please scroll down and select one)**

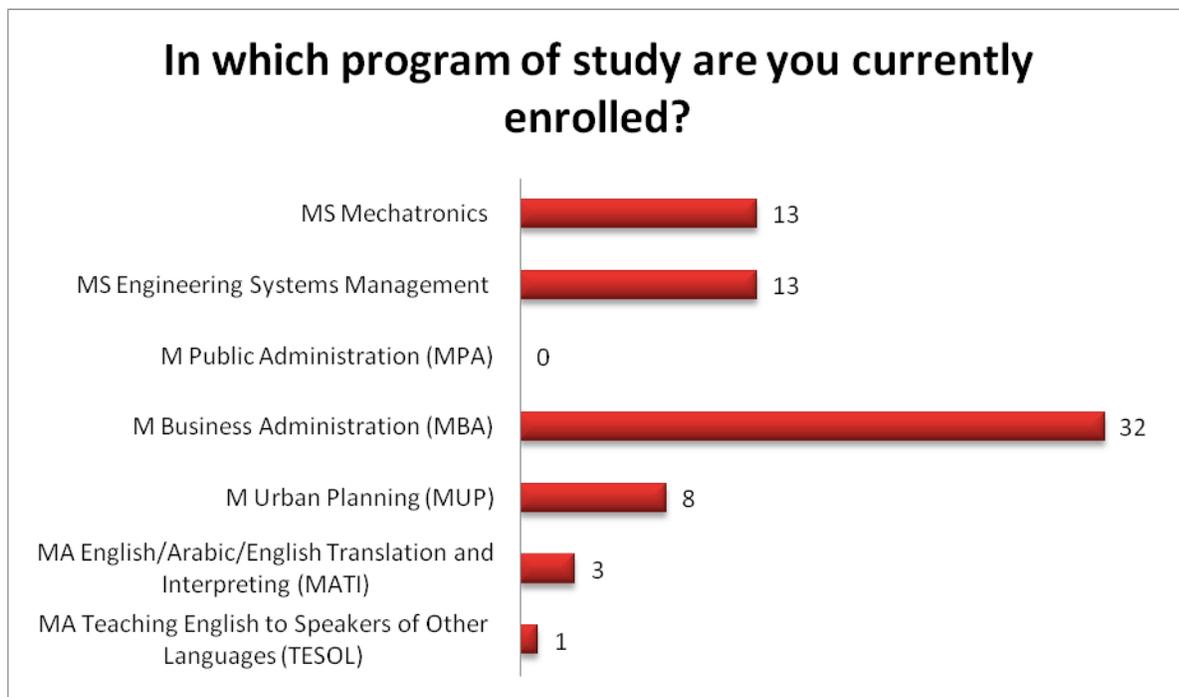
BA English Language and Literature	6
BA International Studies	28
BA Mass Communication	83
BS Environmental Sciences	9
B Architecture	42
BS Design Management	22
B Interior Design	10
BS Multimedia Design	17
BS Visual Communication	13
BA Economics	7
BA Public Administration	4
BS Business Administration	273
BS Finance	44
BS Management Information Systems	31
BS Chemical Engineering	53
BS Civil Engineering	111
BS Computer Engineering	55
BS Computer Science	38
BS Electrical Engineering	108
BS Mechanical Engineering	79
(skipped this question)	109
Total Respondents	1033



Note that the total respondents in the previous question (graduate & under graduate) are 1140 and the total respondents to the (undergraduate) are 1033 then the total number of people who skipped this question is 3

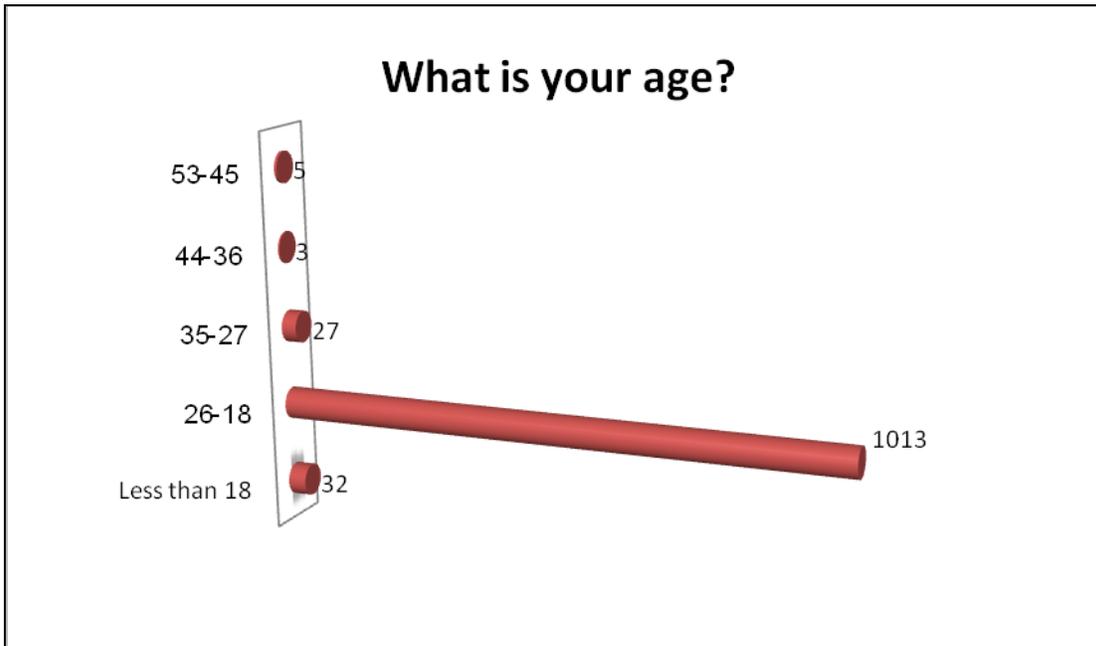
**4.3 In which program of study are you currently enrolled?
(please scroll down and select one)**

MA Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)	1
MA English/Arabic/English Translation and Interpreting (MATI)	3
M Urban Planning (MUP)	8
M Business Administration (MBA)	32
M Public Administration (MPA)	0
MS Engineering Systems Management	13
MS Mechatronics	13
(skipped this question)	1072
Total Respondents	70



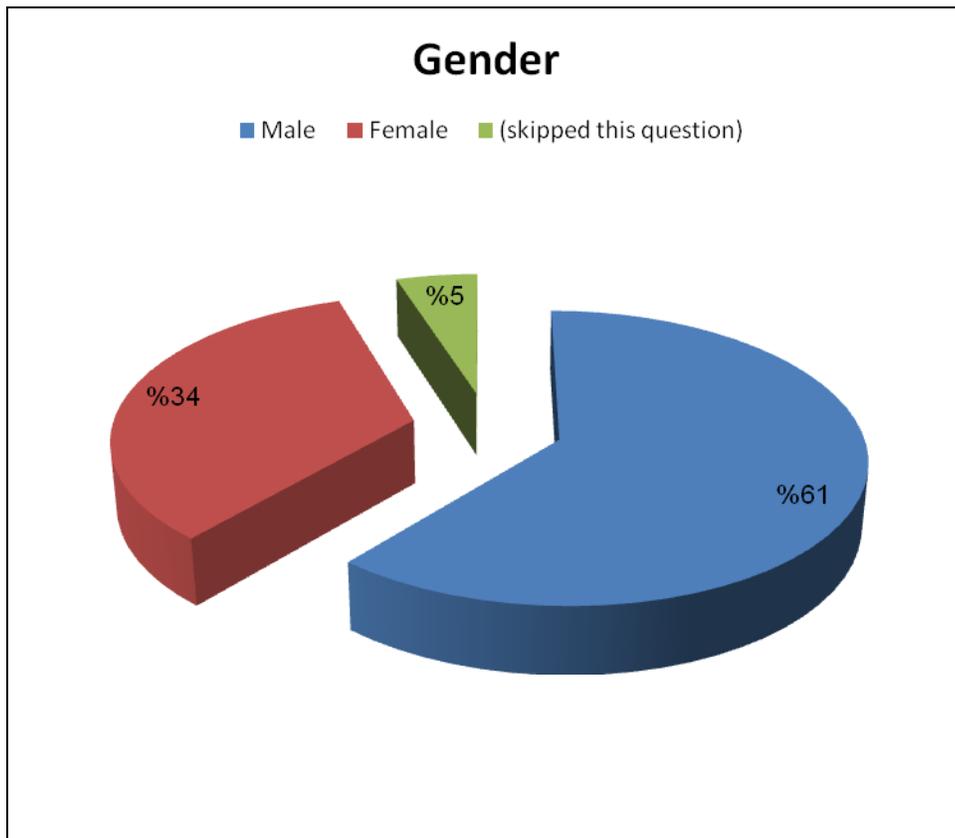
4.4 What is your age in years? (Please choose one)

Less than 18	32
18-26	1013
27-35	27
36-44	3
45-53	5
54-62	1
63+	4
(skipped this question)	57
Total Respondents	1085



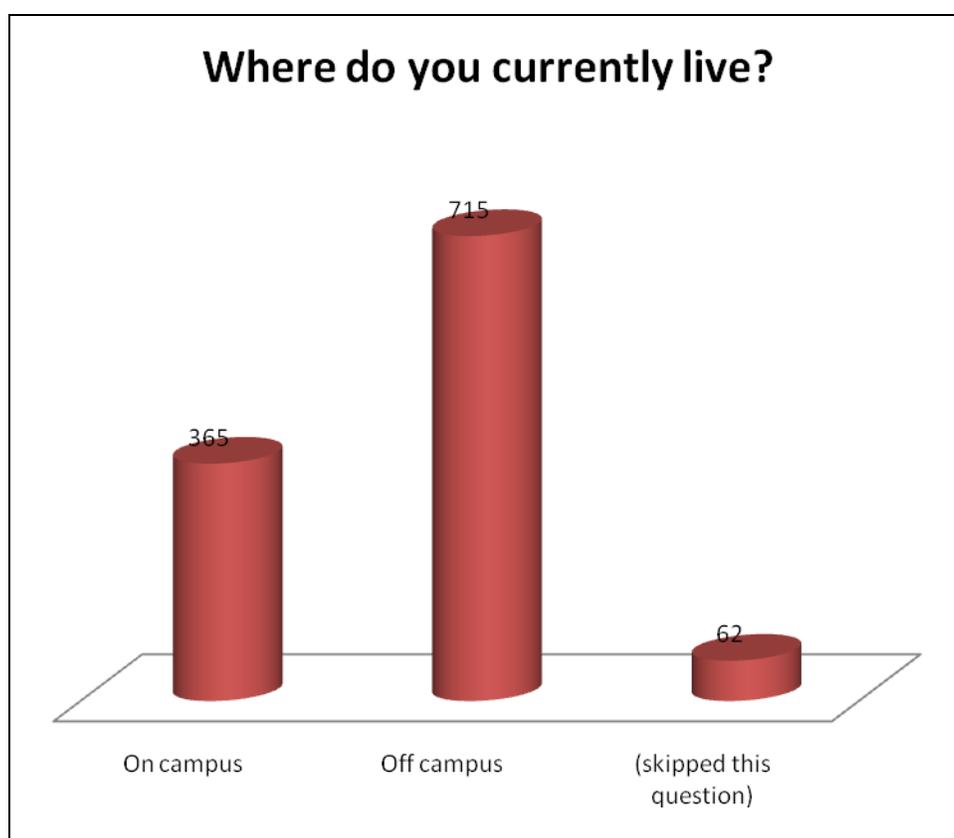
4.5 *Are you male or female?*

Male	699
Female	386
(skipped this question)	57
Total Respondents	1085



4.6 Where do you currently live? (Please choose one)

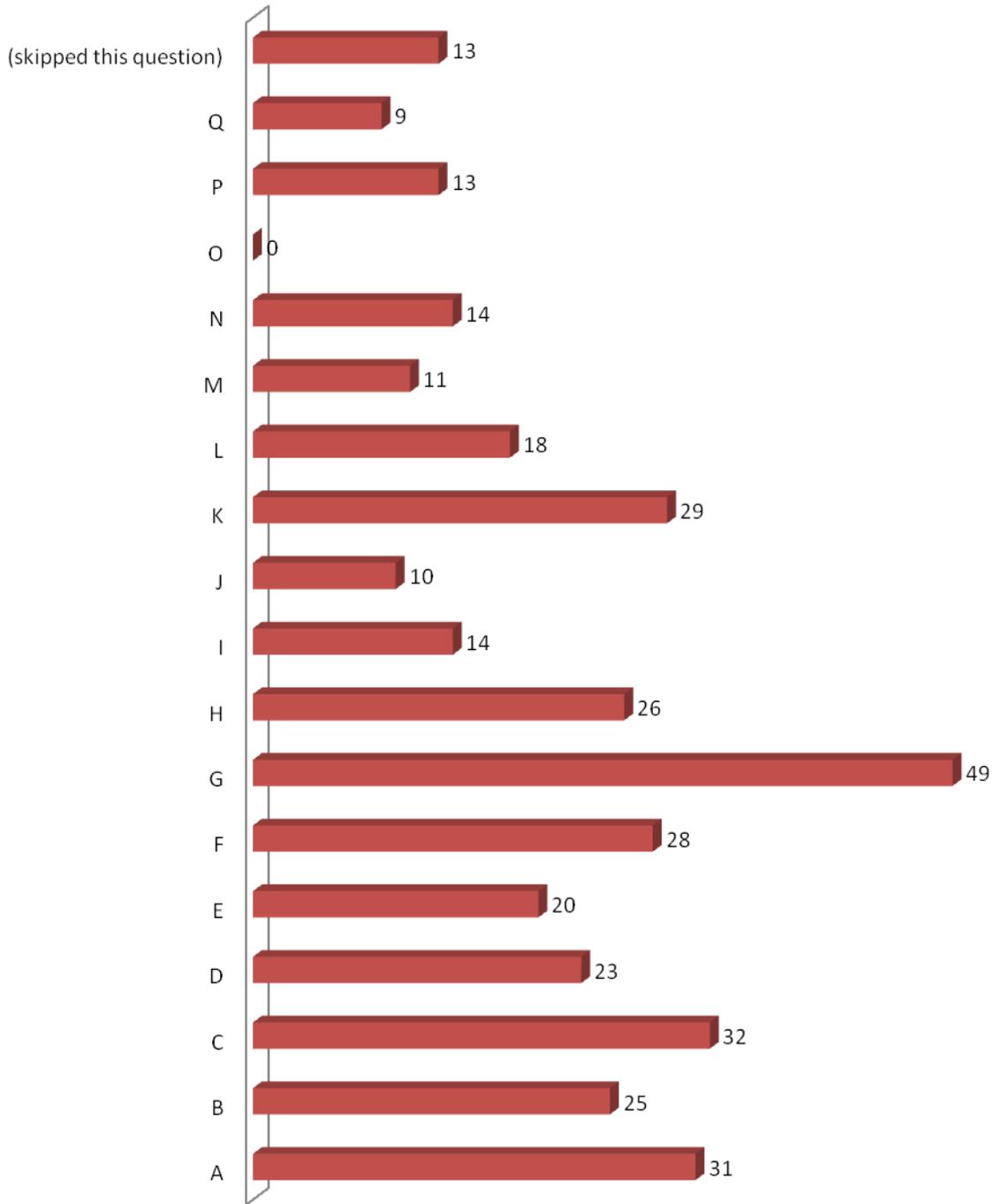
On campus	365
Off campus	715
(skipped this question)	62
Total Respondents	1080



4.7 *If you live on campus in which block do you live? (Please choose one; you may refer to the map above if you like)*

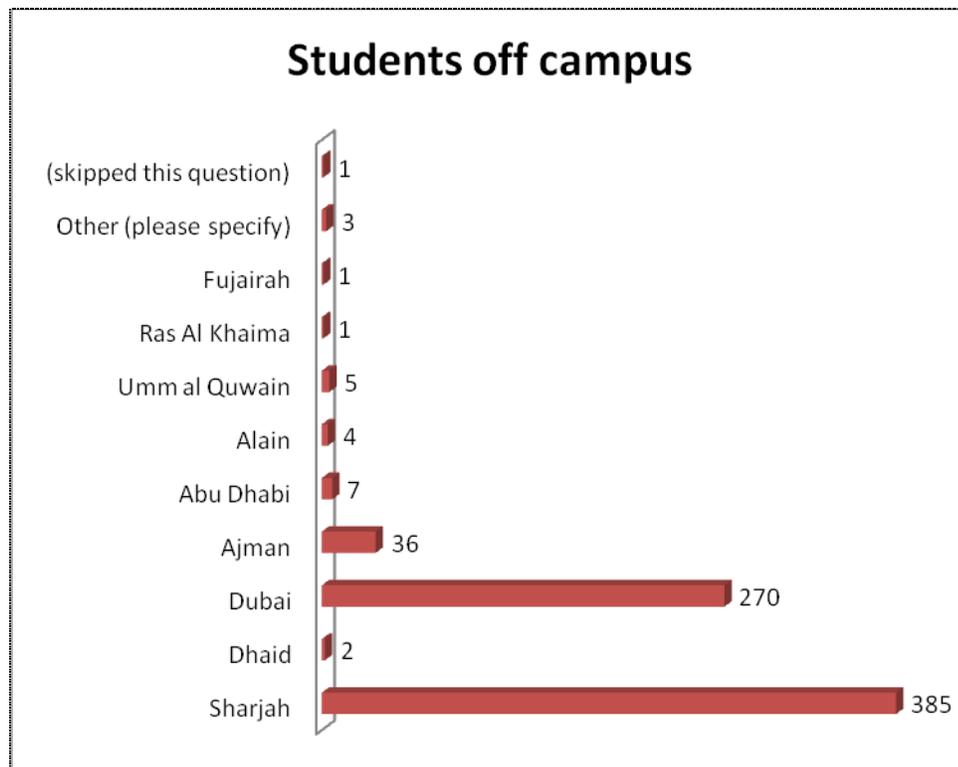
A	31
B	25
C	32
D	23
E	20
F	28
G	49
H	26
I	14
J	10
K	29
L	18
M	11
N	14
O	0
P	13
Q	9
(skipped this question)	13
Total Respondents	354

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**4.8 If you live off campus in which city do you currently live?
(Please choose only one)**

	Response Total
Sharjah	385
Dhaid	2
Dubai	270
Ajman	36
Abu Dhabi	7
Alain	4
Umm al Quwain	5
Ras Al Khaima	1
Fujairah	1
Other (please specify)	3
(skipped this question)	1
Total Respondents	714



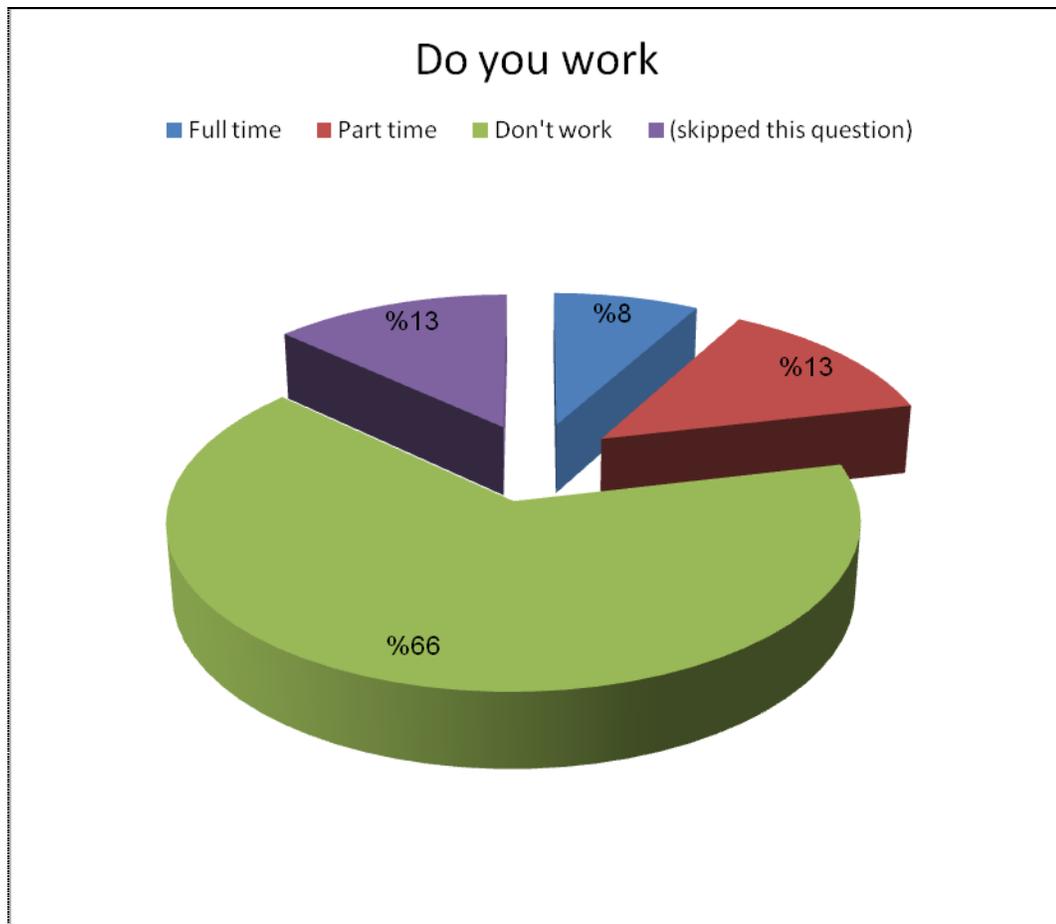
4.9 About how often do you use each of the following modes of travel to get to the center of campus from where you live on regular weekdays (e.g. Sunday through Thursday)? (Please select one answer for each row)

	Always (never any other way)	Most of the time (but not all of the time)	Regularly (at least one per week)	Occasionally (at least once per month)	Rarely (at least once ever)	Never (might consider)	Never (would not consider)	Response Total
Drive alone in private car	524	179	81	49	34	74	67	1008
Carpool with one or more others in private car	51	93	87	134	167	166	310	1008
Ride motorcycle	10	6	5	7	11	134	835	1008
Take public taxi/limo service	14	21	25	77	159	140	572	1008
Ride in public bus (private charter)	19	14	13	26	60	150	726	1008
Ride in campus shuttle bus (AUS operated)	27	35	34	57	138	174	543	1008
Ride bicycle	9	4	2	15	37	157	784	1008
Walk	128	129	42	45	42	47	575	1008
Other	13	8	13	47	42	120	765	1008

4.10 *If you use any means of transportation other than those listed in the previous question to get to the center of campus or if there is anything interesting or unusual about your daily commute please describe for us in your own words:*

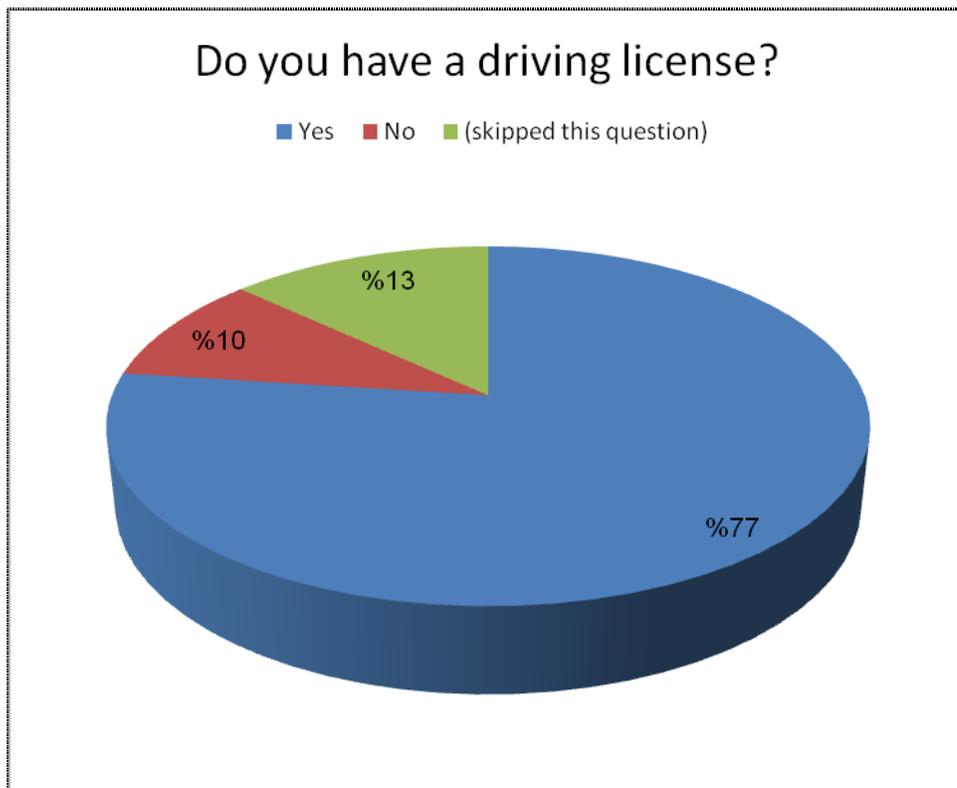
4.11 Do you work?

Full time	92
Part time	152
Don't work	748
(skipped this question)	150
Total Respondents	992



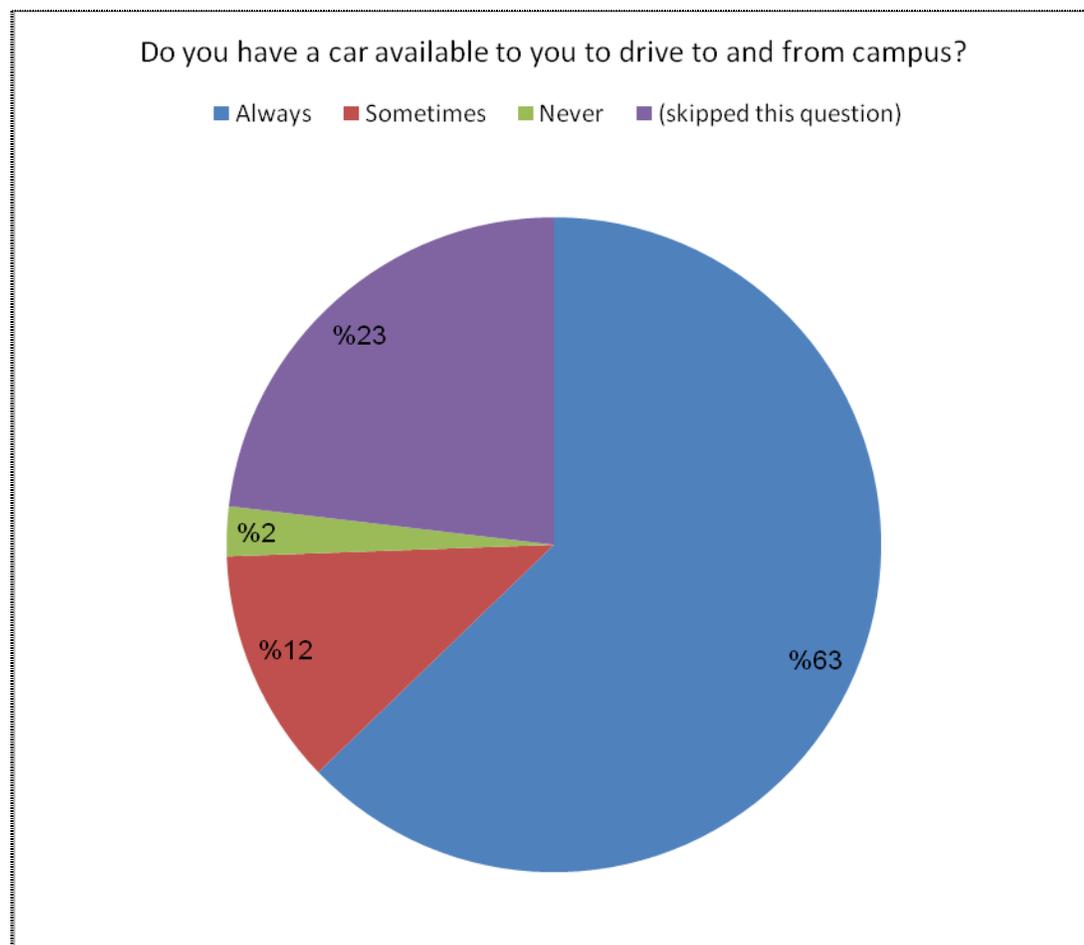
4.12 Do you have a driving license?

Yes	880
No	112
(skipped this question)	150
Total Respondents	992



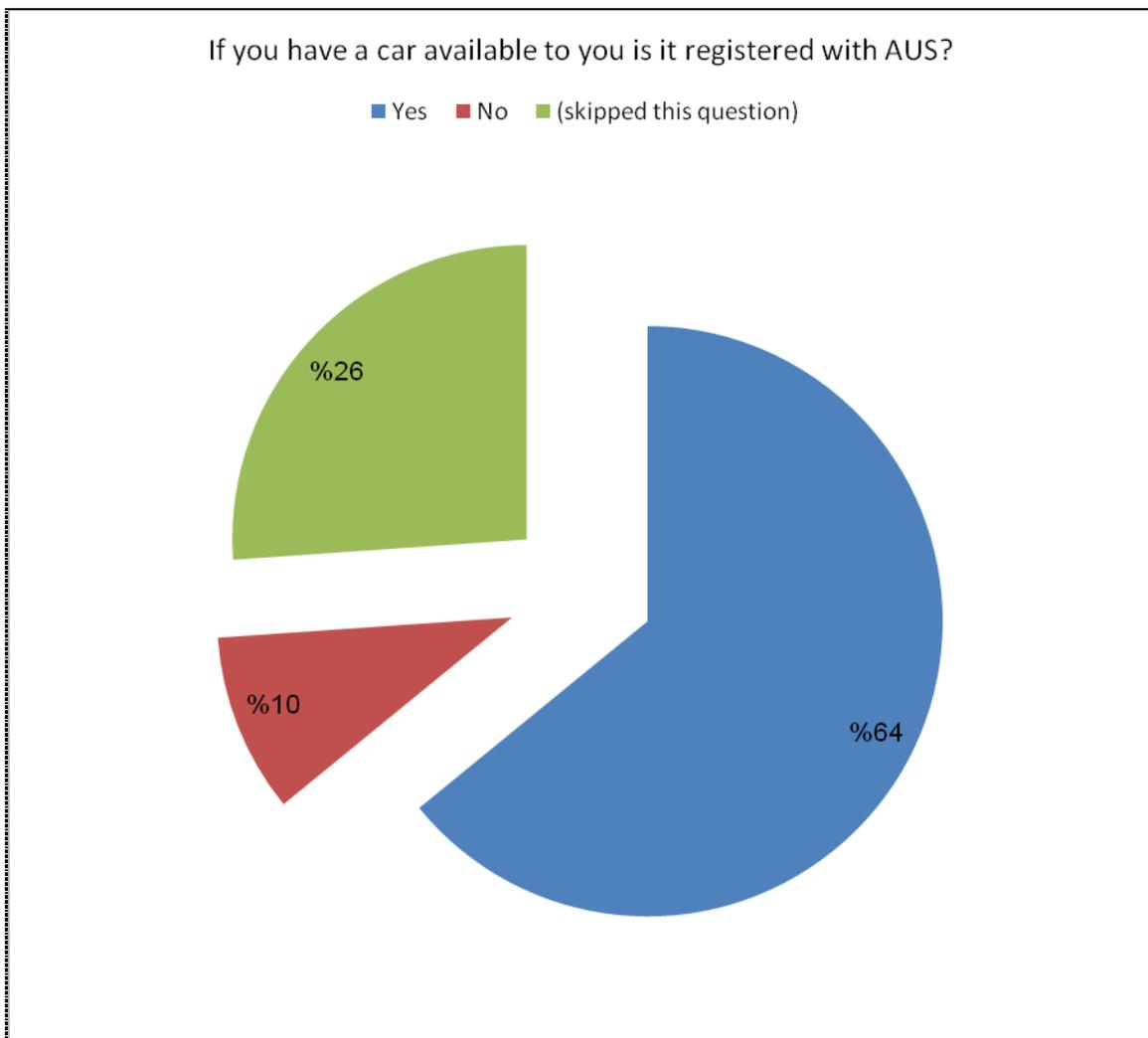
4.13 Do you have a car available to you to drive to and from campus?

Always	717
Sometimes	133
Never	28
(skipped this question)	264
Total Respondents	878



4.14 *If you have a car available to you is it registered with AUS?*

Yes	732
No	112
(skipped this question)	298
Total Respondents	844



4.15 If your car is registered with AUS do you also have a paid parking sticker?

paid parking sticker	369
free parking sticker	239
No	227
(skipped this question)	307
Total Respondents	835



4.16 Thinking about when you drive to the center of campus from where you live on regular weekdays (Sunday through Thursday) where do you usually park your vehicle? (Please choose the best response for each parking lot listed; refer to the map if you need assistance)

	Always (never any other place)	Most of the time (but not all of the time)	Regularly (at least one per week)	Occasionally (at least once per month)	Rarely (at least once ever)	Never (might consider)	Never (would not consider)	Response Total
P1 - Paid - Engineering	61	99	38	27	56	81	380	742
P2 - Paid - Engineering	49	88	54	45	60	81	365	742
P3 - Paid - Architecture	51	56	46	70	65	99	356	743
P4 - Paid - Architecture	49	59	55	69	63	88	359	742
P5 - Free - Remote	68	59	29	37	64	82	403	742
P6 - Free - Remote	69	61	36	46	59	79	392	742
P7 - Paid - CAS	64	108	61	56	51	83	319	742
P8 - Paid - CAS	57	93	60	60	57	92	323	742
P9 - Paid - Business	61	65	44	59	63	120	330	742
P10 - Paid - Business	47	49	36	52	61	115	382	742
P11 - Reserved – Staff (1/3 reserved to Eng.)	9	22	22	26	35	77	551	742
P12 - Reserved - Staff	6	6	9	18	29	88	586	742
P13 - Reserved - Business	12	11	17	17	27	89	569	742
P14 - Reserved - CAS	9	14	10	17	22	97	573	742
P15 - Reserved - Architecture	6	15	9	16	25	82	590	743
P16 - Visitor's Lot - Mosque	15	27	42	56	66	98	438	742
P17 - Reserved - Engineering	9	12	8	15	27	94	577	742

4.17 If you could park anywhere on campus during regular weekdays which of the following parking lots would be your first second and third choices?

	First Choice	Second Choice	Third Choice	Response Total
P1 - Paid - Engineering	131	47	42	220
P2 - Paid - Engineering	35	126	57	218
P3 - Paid - Architecture	98	44	86	228
P4 - Paid - Architecture	32	74	31	137
P5 - Free - Remote	6	8	36	50
P6 - Free - Remote	7	16	22	45
P7 - Paid - CAS	72	56	56	184
P8 - Paid - CAS	65	86	52	203
P9 - Paid - Business	71	40	63	174
P10 - Paid - Business	5	36	24	65
P11 - Reserved – Staff (only 1/3 of it reserved to Eng. Faculty and other)	15	12	38	65
P12 - Reserved - Staff	13	22	20	55
P13 - Reserved - Business	54	26	34	114
P14 - Reserved - CAS	27	26	19	72
P15 - Reserved - Architecture	18	16	20	54
P16 - Visitor's Lot - Mosque	35	42	55	132
P17 - Reserved - Engineering	23	10	19	52

4.18 What is the most that you would be willing to pay on an annual basis in order to be able to park in your preferred parking lot?

	First Choice	Second Choice	Third Choice	Response Total
Nothing	418	11	56	485
100 AED	100	380	24	504
200 AED	56	104	343	503
300 AED	57	41	75	173
400 AED	28	37	30	95
500 AED	30	21	33	84
600 AED	5	11	16	32
700 AED	3	5	7	15
800 AED	1	3	19	23
900 AED	1	14	0	15
1000 AED	18	0	7	25

4.19 Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with each of the following statements concerning transportation. (Please circle one for each)

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Response Average
I need my car every day	495	163	87	38	15	1.64
I exercise on a regular basis	115	235	266	120	58	2.71
I like off road racing	134	132	184	167	177	3.15
I don't like to rely on others	435	240	79	21	26	1.71
I would rather not have to drive to campus	64	116	191	187	241	3.53
Cars are getting too expensive	196	291	234	46	29	2.27
Cars cause too much pollution	102	236	268	113	77	2.78
I need a new car	149	131	245	151	124	2.96
My schedule varies from day to day	318	332	75	56	17	1.9
I like the convenience of driving my own car	537	202	51	8	4	1.43
I have a lot of errands to run	151	243	288	64	42	2.5
Driving alone is the only way to go	180	159	254	150	55	2.68
I am proud of my car and like to be seen in it	181	179	309	71	63	2.57

4.20 Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with each of the following statements concerning transportation. (Please circle one for each)

Public transit is just too slow	275	246	156	29	10	1.96
Carpooling is a good way to save money	91	230	304	57	37	2.61
Parking should be free for everyone	411	132	81	60	38	1.87
Riding a bicycle is not an option for me	378	137	110	54	42	1.95
Parking is readily available where I work/study	58	144	181	189	148	3.31
I enjoy walking around the AUS campus	81	172	220	126	119	3.04
Parking is too expensive where I work/study	232	182	222	54	35	2.28
I wish I had someone to carpool with	62	125	276	151	108	3.16
Transit service to and from the AUS campus should be increased	242	207	236	17	18	2.11
Riding a bicycle is easy and fun	70	165	209	129	150	3.17
I don't like riding the bus	302	187	142	56	31	2.06
Alternatives to driving alone are just not practical	144	203	261	84	28	2.51
The campus shuttle bus is very convenient	22	94	311	142	149	3.42
Carpooling is just too complicated for me	130	176	285	81	42	2.62
There is no transit service near where I live	130	153	232	142	60	2.79

4.21 Do you have any other questions comments or ideas concerning transportation or parking at AUS?

Parking for design and architecture students that live in the dorms should be free. It is hard for them to reach their school when they have their work and materials. please take this into consideration. Underground parking? Multi-level parking? Possible? More restrictions on faculty living on campus is needed. Other alternative parking options should be thought of for the future. ex. Carpooling. More study on the price of paid parking and the forces of supply and demand/cause and effect is needed. Just thought of this one... A low cost low budget mechanical metro around campus linking key destination points... that'd be cool Oh and most importantly...a helicopter/Rolls Royce service for VIP's (like me) should be highly recommended...

Tunnels underground that have shade and AC for students to walk through campus on regular daily HOT DAYS...

I can understand why the parking has become paid, simple principle of buyers and sellers, but it's sad when you've paid for parking and still not able to park in the paid-parks because they're full. Many times, I have to come earlier than I need to because I know the parking gets full later in the day. I've recently started using the bus, which is an excellent and convenient service, but its frequency HAS TO BE greatly increased. Example: Between 7-8, there's only one, maybe two buses. And given the fact that an hour's worth of people are waiting for the bus, the bus(es) get full within the first few stops. Also, check your drivers driving. A few of them are a bit aggressive and/or impatient. The bus routes and ride duration are all fine, but maybe some buses can be assigned new areas, like Rolla, Industrial areas, etc for those inconvenienced students.

Regarding the new faculty parking ,, this is not fair, because we are paying as they do, so both of us are equal.

thanks for this opportunity, yes i do have an idea or actually a problem.. now the parking is by fees and for everybody that means we should be allowed to park anywhere.. i can understand that there should be maybe one row for high faculty but for the rest it should be equal... now what i see the reserved parking are increasing everyday till we reach a day we pay money but we can't park near the schools.. we start facing the same problem very far parking and arrived late to class

on campus buses are not always on time and if i miss the bus it will be too late for me to go to class walking .. note that many classes are all in

the farthest building from my dorm so i prefer my car more parkings plz

ADD A VALET PARKING SERVICE BUILD MULTI STORY PARKING LOTS BEHIND STUDENT CENTER BECAUSE EVERY ONE USES THE STUDENT CENTER AS ENTRY AN EXIT TO CAMPUS BUILDING AREA , ADD AN AIR CONDITIONED TUNNEL OR PASSAGE FROM FAR PARKINGS TO THE CLOSEST BUILDING . HAVE CARTS FOR CARRYING BOOKS AND HEAVY STUF IN FAR PARKINGS (SPECIALLY P5 NEAR RCHITECTURE).CHANGE INSIDE PARKING ARRANGEMENT FOR BETTER USE OF SPCE

When I entered the university in fall 2004 this new rule was not there, so actually when i entered i didnt have a contract with the university not to park my car. 2nd, i do not deny that i also bought the car to hang out with the guys and go to supermarkets to buy things, but that does not mean that it wasn't one of my strongest reasons to buy my car is to make it easier on myself to reach the university, and i also bought my car before this rule came up. 3rd if AUS is having troubles with parkings and prohibited students who live on campus (which is not our fault that our homes are not in sharjah) to park near the academic buildings, then why wont they try using the larger area than the parking itself, which contains trees and green areas.. for example between the business parking and the nab parking, or between the engineering parkings and the student center parking?. 4th, if the parking management insist on keeping the system, then why arent students who live on campus at least be allowed to park in the free parkings which are not shaded? even before the new parking rule was issued, those free parkings were never completly filled up!

I am an architecture student and usually have lots of things to carry around with me. It is much easier for me to drive from dorms to architecture building in my car. It is not realy easy to carry around my bag and other things, walking or riding bicycle and etc. I think students of architecture and design should have the right to park in architecture parking more than other students.the parking should be only for architecture and design students to park in.

Please find a suitable solution for on campus students because it takes too much of our valuable time and progress(our goal is education) therefore we have to be surrounded by an encouraging place to study ,not to panic and feel bad about AUS policy.

I would suggest to have instead of the parking lots, buildings for parking. That would double or tiple or as much as you need space for parkings, because each time you have shortage of space you may build a new floor. (I hope that you find a solution, because i would really prefer going to the campus in my car rather than on my legs) build more parking spaces, because you have the resuorces to do

that. You have 2 huge pieces of land one in front of the girls dorms, and another in front of the sports center.

I would recommend to increase the parking by making a parking buildings that have at least two floors since the landscape of the campus is getting occupied everywhere.

The biggest problem with on campus residents concerning transportation is the hot climate. So if there were chairs at each AUS bus stop along with hanging electronic fans and all over the outdoor seatings to use during the hot days of the year, it might help shrinking parking issues.

why do faculty have there reserved parking spots?? we all pay and we must have the same parkings equally. in p8 (i dont know if it is in all parkings) students are not allowed to park in the first 2 rows. if we are all paying then we should all be treated the same. they have classes and we students also have classes.

there should be more parking in AUS coz the parking is very bad in AUS, we pay all these millions for the university to provide us with such service and what we get is a crowded uni with no place to park. i am an engineering student and i have to park far away that i have to walk 5-10 to get to my engineering building. This is just insane. PLEASE CONSIDER A MULTI-STOREY PARKING, this way you save much more space and more parking for all the students. Thank you

You should increase student awareness on the benefits of walking and riding a bicycle for those living on campus. Having fees on parking lots is not a solution; it's a burden especially for people living off-campus since there is no other means (public transportation: buses, trams, underground...) available. This fee will work out well in the States and Canada because they have alternatives, but here it won't work and would just increase student's anger on AUS!

Please consider charging motorcycle riders a parking fee for a parking area with shade. I know at least 20 riders in university who have agreed to paying for shaded parking for motorcycles either inside or outside university. Some students cannot afford cars but would still like to be independent so motorcycles are their only means of transport. Thank You

parking free

I think that it is not fair to not allow the students who live in campus to park in the regular parking. It is also not fair to force students to pay 300Dh. in order to have a parking.

As it is the fees at AUS is sky rocketing, on top of that they introduce parking fees, fine, but the problem is despite paying for parking most of the time I either have to park my car under the sun or as in the case with the career fair i had to go and park in the dorms, because the prof ahead of me could manage to park only on the kerb!!

Yes, please provide a shaded parking for motorcycles even if it was kind of small, but at least a parking for them.....thanks

please do something for the bikers in university. we need to enter university with bike and we need a specific place that is shaded to park... alot of students only transportation is motorcycle and it is unfair to just disregard thier uncomfot or park in the sun and walking into university especially during summer

What about colleagues who graduated and would like to visit AUS!
Students allready find difficulties parking!!

Please assign one of those big buses for boys as well. There are many guys who need the big bus which is only available for girls. It would be very convenient for guys to travel. Infact atleast half of them would stop bringing cars if this bus is provided. I come by car because i dont like the small bus and most of the time there is no place for me in it. the new polciy of parking isnt working please look forward to change it because its very annoying.i didnt buy my car just to look at it i want to use on campus

Multi-level parking?!! Why not!

AUS should let motorbikes enter campus.

Parking at AUS is ridiculous. For the fees we pay as children of hard-working parents, and for the extra parking fees, there is just not enough parking, and finding a spot is very very difficult if you do not get to AUS by a maximum of around 9:30 am. Instead of providing a solution, they give priority to staff/faculty, which isnt fair since we also pay for parking just like they do. It should be increased, instead of having to park in the free parking area when I am paying for paid parking. It is too far and tiresom to walk from that area to the Engineering campus. I regularly have to take all my belongig and carry them all day because I do not have time between classes to run to the free parking area because I did not find a spot to park in the paid parking. It is a serious problem, and increasing fees is a very discriminating solution to the problem. Not everyone can afford the extra money, be it as little as it may be to someone else. They should prioritize parking and build increased parking space.

no

Instead of taking people's money from every single service at AUS; at least provide to us a decent garunted--near the schools--parking slots so that we can arrive on time. Think of the best of students for a momment.

You people at the transport (security) department should make sure that everyone knows the regulations well.. ANNOUNCE BEFORE YOU GIVE TICKETS.. and if you want to set a rule, let it be applied to all! I appreciate your hardworking, Thanks

please increase morning buses

allow dorm residents to drive to campus.

buses to sharjah come and leave late...

Parking lots are so far from the buildings! It takes 10 minutes just to walk from the closest parking to a building, and the area right in front of the building is empty and just has plants there. The business building for example; I don't understand why they didn't make the parking lot in front of the building and the plants farther away.

Increase parking spaces near more crowded buildings like SBM. Other alternative could be that increase shuttle service by making them drive through the roundabouts in front of each dorms. And also having shuttle service that goes directly to campus from the dorms.

We should have free parking for all of students.

Buses should wait a little longer after classes finish. I always miss my bus ride back to the dorms

Why shall we pay for parking too after paying the tuition fee??????????

To who ever it may concern, please, if you can do anything about this non-sence paid parking, do it as soon as you can, and please restore everything the way it was a year ago, i find it imposible to use anything beside my car, yes im not an athlete and would never prefer walking over my car. i park on campus eventhough they fine me, i still park there, im very calm about getting fined because i have ALOT more IMPORTANT things to worry about, but someday i will speak to who ever is in charge, im speaking on the behalf of many of my friends in this university, so please save us the hassle and end this mess.

Thank you very much for taking concern in this matter

although i payed for the Payed parking sticker, sometimes i dont fine a parking vacancy at the desired place so i have to park out side the desired parking area, and sometimes in the burning sun.

Why dont you make a parking buildings. it will be expensive but it also solve many problems of yours.

Please allow motorbikes on campus, for some of us they are our only way to university...

I think, we're not supposed to pay because we're parking in AUS.

Theyre already making us pay everywhere we park in the UAE which is also wrong, how can anyone charge people for parking under thier homes or universities, we already paying fees and rental. AUS or Home is not a tourist place,we're not going there for free as well, those are our homes, we cant be charged to park there.

reduce amount of walk paths,grass,etc (ie. between P7,P8 and the physics building is a plane grass field which is useless) and create more parking lots.

make more parking space!!!

Metro system from AUS to New Dubai is a must. 1- Many people live in New Dubai is growing. 2- AUS is the best in the region and many

people want to join it. 3- Long distance encourage people to use the metro (if any) from AUS to New Dubai. 4- Dubai Metro system is covers the New Dubai. Metro system from AUS to New Dubai can be merged with the Dubai Metro. 5- It will be convenient for me. :) lol

The shuttle service is not well coordinated with students class scheduals. They arrive either too early for students or after classes have begun. If the buses ran their rounds 15 minutes before classes that would be adequate. Furthermore, the drivers have to be instructed to look around and see if there are any students coming to ride the shuttle and wait as is appropriate. Else, they should not waste time standing at the stops with no one around. Also, the local line buses have no benefit to any of the students as they dont go near the entrance of the dorms, yet they go all the way into the residential areas of the professors who rarely ever use the bus. Personally i feel that all students would be willing to meet the bus at the stop, but only if they are able to get them to classes faster than on foot. I usually walk because the buses are too slow and never at the time i need, which is right before classes. Also, there are not enough stops for students wishing to take the bus back to their dorms. A last complaint is that i have never found any problem with parking before the new paid parking system was implemented. But if administration wishes to cut back the number of on campus students using their own transportation, please make the university shuttle transportation system convenient and useful. If you simply see them, the buses are usually empty going around. They even rotate at night time when there are no classes. In my opinion this is a waste.

please build a few buildings each 2-3 stories for car parking at parking lots and make it free. after all the tuition fees paid by students is quiet enough!!

Parking is expensive and and parking space is scarce. Bus service from for Dubai, doesnt have good enough frequency.

Walking from free parking is fine.. at least cover the parking.. People who pay for parking closer to Buildings actually was on the basis that people pay if they want to park closer.. but actually they are also paying for shaded parking as well.. shade the free parking and the people who complain will reduce to less than 10%...

The payments for buses that go to Abu Dhabi and Al Ain Should be cheaper.

all the pay parking should be for free, its enough what happen outside the campus everythin we pay for and everything become expensive pertrol, pay parking, food, and rents. and u have to put shades for all parking.

gibe us the right to park on campus just like the others. im paying a whole bunch of money during a semester and i cant even park on

campus !!! trust me there is enough parking for everybody.

increase the number of buses to jumierah to 3 instead of 2 (2,4,6)

you should allow motorcycles inside the campus

Why do you charge so much for parking when we already pay a lot for the tuition fees. If you really care about parking then either: 1. Provide proper transport from cities outside AUS that help you reach to and from university within 1 hour max. 2. Or rip us off by charging more money until nobody is willing to park their car on campus. Why have discrimination even in parking? You know that students who are well off will have the incentive to pay even 1000 Dhs per annum for campus parking. But what about the students who are not? They have to walk all the way from one end of the campus to the other, just to make it to class.

i live in dubai, and i take the AVIS transporting bus service to my house; and honestly im not happy or comfortable at all when riding the buses either in the morning nor in the evening. First, of all i want to complain about the bus service, i mean every single morning i squeeze myself into a small minibus that is just completely filled with other fellow students. As, always i have to rush myself in the morning just to find a comfortable and convenient seat in the bus, if not, well my day starts off bad, thus, the ironic thing is that we pay exactly the same amount of money for bus services; thus, we get a small minibus to fit ourselves in, and the others in dubai get a comfortable, spacious, pleasant-atmospheric bus. I'd really like to see a change in the transporting ways and patterns, because neither am i nor my fellow bus mates are quite happy and satisfied with the bus servicing. Thanks

People living on-campus aren't supposed to park their car in the parking area because people living off-campus get a hard time finding a place to park

no segregation should be in AUS buses

For long time, AUS parking has been available for free since the last 7 years. Almost all university campuses provide free parking for students. Aren't the fees that we pay (which is the most expensive in the Gulf) are enough????????? One good final solution: Build parking buildings.

You guys say that we (students) have to pay for the permission to park. Instead you can have us pay for building multi floored parkings rather than putting our money into your pockets.

Make it free. Build a parking building or something.

i would like to comment about the engineers when they made the design for the buildings, they could add underground parking under the buildings and that would help a lot.

YEAAA MAKE EVERYTHING FREE FIRST COME FIRST SERVE* EVEN IF YOU WANT TO MAKE IT PAID I WOULD RATHER TO PAY FOR MY

PARKINGS* BUT ITS NOT AVAILABLE TO THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN CAMPUS SO ITS NOT FAIR JESUS

I use my own car, but from what i have heard during my years at AUS, is that sometimes because of uncontrollable factors (road construction, rain, traffic) the AUS bus reached AUS late (for example 8:05 or 8:15) and the faculty still considered those students absent when they showed up. Students argued that they were late because the bus was late, members the faculty said "thats not my problem". This issue should be addressed since it is and AUS bus how can the student be penalized for the problems of AUS's transport system.. Parkings should be shaded, with this heat we dont have much of a choice.. AUS sells parking stickers and hangers. For the shaded parking, AUS sells and unlimited number of stickers/hangers that cost like 400dhs apiece, whilst they only have a limited number of spaces in the shaded parking.. Its seems wrong and is viewed as a profit motivated move by most, if not, all the students on campus.. Its mainly the heat that poses a problem for drivers parking thier cars.. besides at the end of the day, all the students have more important things to worry about.. GPA, midterms, family/friends etc.. hope this helps have a good one all parking should be covered then students will be more happy thats why they fight for the physics parking if the other one will be covered people wont complain

AUS Should build a multi-layers parking lot!! Student's who ate staying in the dorms should also have the right to Park in AUS parkings, because the weather gets too hot to walk in, and the AUS bus is not convenient for students, especially if they have many classes in the same day with many different breaks!

Parking should be free anywhere.

They don't give any excuse for sick students... They have my file at the health center and when i asked for an excuse they refused and asked me for a medical report from any hospital!!...life is funny.

Increase the payments for each parking so not anyone could park werever he wants

Please Please Please Please Please add more buses!!

AUS should allow dorm students to park in the campus, even by painig money, we can pay for parkings, but the problem is that dorm students are not allowed to pay for parkings neither park in the campus. for a student like me i am living in the furthest derm GH from the campus, riding a bus is a hard thing since busses are not available all the time.

build more shaded parkings and stop taking money for it. WE ARE ALREADY PAYING TOOO MUCH FEE'S.

i think aus should ofer more parking areas for example the green area

between engineering parking and student center parking can be used to build a several stories parking.it cost money but it is usefull .even though the green area look nice! but solving the parking problems is much better and more practical!

what are the purposes of paying money for parking at aus ? In my opinion, it's too expensive for students because everyone might has his/her own problem of paying the tution for the courses.

alot of students here think of the parking tickets are much of a rip off.

I would like to ride my car every day, i bought my car then i can't drive it on campus!!! The university can make nice parking with 2 floors, the wither is really bad i don't like to walk, the bus is very slow and i should be out side waiting under the hot hot sun just waiting the bus to come, because of that i hate to attend the classes. PLEASE allow us to drive our cars for the student who live in the dorm, i can't call one of my friends everyday to give a ride they justLaughing and they say " you have a car and you can't drive it".

I think that all students should be allowed to park in the campus parkings. But I also believe that the policy of setting paid and free parkings is an excellent policy.

everyone should be treated equally; so parkings should be available for all students and staff with no deffrentiation between on-campus and off-campus living students and staff who come first..... solution: you can innovate the parkings by adding a first floor too them....most of the student and staff are talking about this solution

I hope that all the students should be treated similar to other, because some of them parking there car in wrong places and no one can even talk to them because they are from royal families. I think this will affect on the University name.

i think its too much to pay 300 per semester it should get reduced to 200 or 100 not all student can pay 300, inaddition the a policemen who sit outside of the campus they dont talk in polite way to the students and they always stop the cara on the entrance even if u have AUS sticker its really annoying..! soo plzz try to solve this problem with policemen... thx

make paid parking for everyone , ibroke my leg icant walk , if i can park that will be easy to me , but am in the dorms soi have to walk!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!.thx

please make free parking and let the students take stickers anytime they want

the parking should also be allowed to students living on campus and if the problem is that there is no enough parking i think that the university can build a double parking to make it two floors and then there wont be a deficit in parkings

People who live in the dorms aren't allowed to park anywhere but at

the dorm they live in. This should be changed to at least a slightly distant paid parking space closer to the lecture areas for people who live in the dorms. At the moment males at G-H and K-L really struggle when walking to class. Walking back between classes is definitely not an option.

Yes i would like to make a point regarding student that lives in the dorms and there right to park there cars near the building that they have lectures at. We need to park our cars becuse some of us cant walk all the day back and forth from the physics building to the engineering for like 4 times a day its inconvenient. student have to get there rights and one of those rights is to drive there cars to there lectures. so we can go through our day with a healthy mind and body not with a sweaty shirt and a headage. I know a good amount of students that after this new rule about parking came out they started to miss classes more often and some of them started to get bored and tired from all the distance they walk everyday. So i request and i strongly believe that am talking on behalf of all my colleuges we need the parking back.

Perhaps a two-storey parking building could be a good idea. Especially behind the NAB and Engineering buildings. Also, these multi storey parkings can be connected to the 2nd floor of the NAB or the new engineering buildings being built, with a direct bridge. That could help double the parking space and also not affect the overall aesthetic appeal of the campus (by limiting to two floors, that is).

I am really disappointed regarding the parking system in AUS. First of all, the solution for the parking is there. Some civil engineering students proposed a solution to the parking lots to increase its capacity to 60% without changing its total area. The proposal has been rejected and the reason was: "AUS will have to pay money and will not get any revenue out of it". Actually, any one who is thinking of joining AUS and asking me about it, I simply reply to him/her that they charge us for the parking! Mahdi Elghafri @00013675

I have no problem regarding the parking limitations as long as buses in university take us on time and drop us on time (not too soon and not late) instead of giving us a tour in the university. I suggest reconsidering Mr. Pinto as the manager of transportation; he is simply not qualified. When I asked him why the system is so inefficient, he replied "They applied the same method other places like Europe."

make sure you fine everyone without exceptions

remove the reserved parking system, we are not allowed to park in certain places even though they are empty just because its reserved. its a waste of empty parking space.

The parking criteria was much better before. We the people in the dorms have to walk all the way to physics buildin..right now its fine but

in summers when the temperature is 45 its practically impossible...Parking rights should be the same for every1..Faculty shopuldn't be given Privelage..Actually students must be allowed to park close to the buildings in which they have classes.

I think that motorcycles should be allowed on campus. Motorcycles reduce pollution, petrol consumption, and traffic, are easy to park, take up less parking space, and there are plenty of motorcyclists on campus. The problem is that the ridiculous rule banning motorcycles on campus makes even more people bring their cars than needs be the case.

the paid parking should be covered

i htink you sould improve the buses inside the campus...

Regarding parking lots,,,, you should consider some kind of vertical parking just like the one in Dubai city center.....

why dont u build car parkings insted of the parking lots?????

The Engineering Parking is crowded most of the time (P1 & P2) , Transportation to Dubai isn't that flexible because there is only one time (if you miss it you r in big trouble)and frankly the avis seats are small

To solve the parking problem at AUS, the university can build a parking building that range between 3-8 floors. This way it can reduce the area to make more parking spaces, it can also give a lot of parking spaces, and it will give more current parking area for other uses.

PARKING SHOULD BE FREE!!!

when all the students who have classes on a given day have to come to university, then how come making them pay for parking would reduce traffic, there is no logical reason in having paid parking because all are students and in need of going to the classes.

no

there was no proplems before the new parking rules.its just arises when you start doing this. **RESERVED PARKIND SHOULD BE AVAILABLE TO EVERYONE**OFF CAMPUS AND ON CAMPUS STUDENTS** ITS JUST NOT FAIR**

I suggest that instead of AUS giving so many scholarships, it needs to invest abit more in its infrastructure. I am not against scholarships but it should be controled. I prefer building a parking building in each parking lot about three floors high and with an elevator, because increasing the prises of the parking wont solve the problem. Most people need to put their cars in the parking, so if their is not enough parking they will keep looking no matter what the price is. The main goal for each student is to get to class on time. Also if AUS lowers the strain on early classes the situation could improve. Also a really important point that AUS should make is that UAE nationals should not pay or pay less then the nonnationals, because it is not fair for the UAE

nationals to pay for land to park their car in, in their home country.
Just shade the entire thing!

Make parking buildings nested of the horizontal parkings, and use the free areas around the Uni to make parkings, also, A bus each 15 min from the domes to the Uni.

Separate Faculty buses from Student buses (Based on my observation the ratio of student using the bus shuttle is much higher. The other thing is to separate boys and girls busses for faster rides to each dorms

I dont know whats the meaning of carpooling??!!

I am living on campus and i can't use my car in compus because of the new rule for on campus students, and i think this is unfair because we are paying the same fees as the other off campus students are paying, but we have to walk about half an hour everyday under the sun.

Yes, you should make it free , because sometimes we don't have time to move around.

There are no busses to Ajman?.....y?

Why is it run by monkeys?

no

i wish if the fees for the parking were lower.

i would like to say that there are many solutions for the problem in AUS. one of them is what some students are doing in the civil engineering department which is two parking buildings that would satisfy the need for the parking spots for +5000 students.

Build 2 or more story parkig!!!

consider the graduation design project of the civil engineering students of last semester for the AUS parking lots, Done by Abdelrahman Bin Buti, Ismail Safar, and Mansoor Mohammad

One comment, USE THE EMPTY SPACE ON CAMPUS TO CREAT NEW PARKING LOTS!!!!

parking should be freeeee for alll

increase the parking slots ? there are alots of free spaces in our compuse EX. between the main bulding and sport complexes. another free space is between mian building and the Girls Doorms. another suggestion is why dont you build a parking building and that building has a tannel to the buildings. or why dont you build underground parking ?? why i am paying 300 DH and in the End i am having problem finding parking ?? specially in Engineering parking ???

every places should be free

Walking around in campus is only fun in winter and not summer. The free parking area can be enlarged although is dosen't need to because it is never full. Paking areas could be made between the campus and the sport center, and between the campus the the girls dorms.

an underground subway that employs an electrical train is a good idea.

A huge parking lot could be built in a vacant piece of land not far away from campus and then the subway could transport students to and from the campus

Free Parking or paid parking should be available to everyone!

please try to develop the free bus transportation from/to Sharjah we need bigger busses that are used only by the AUS student, i hope drivers drive more safely

1. We need all the parking lots to be covered/shaded. It is really an inconvenience especially during the hot summer months to park the car in the open. It damages the car's interior, melts the parking tags, and it's even more uncomfortable to sit in a car after it has been parked out in the open for long. 2. Bikes should be let into campus since it is also a means of transportation for many.

I think Transportation should cover more places in Sharjah, at least cover the Univ. City and that would be nice, try to get more Taxis to the Area so if any one in a hurry would find something to ride in!

Parking at AUS SUCKS because we are always late from it and no one concedes especially the prof.

Students living off campus are not outsiders but members of AUS community and should be allowed to park their AUS registered cars in campus during vacations because the parkings are empty on vacations and parking them where we live will cause them to be stolen or damaged (it happened to me!)

not exactly

I want special parking only for myself, which no one be able to park there (in the business parking) and I'm ready to pay extra money for that. but the money we are paying now for parking is not fair, because still we are not able to find good parking everyday.

finding parking at aus is jihad at the 11:00am times!! i have to waste at least 15 mins only making rounds in aus looking for parking. It always causes problems in my class. AUS should assign parking for each student cuz parking tags are pretty useless cuz everybody is gonna buy it no matter how expensive they get cuz it's compulsory, nobody is gonna park out and come, and by the summer everyone is gonna die for the shaded parking cuz walking and parking your car in the open will be impossible. Something MUST be done to solve this issue.

parkings should be reengineered, plus i believe they should be free, because this is a service by university!!1

gnikrap diap eht morWe can't find a parking near by the business parking at least take out the staff

HOW ON EARTH DO THEY DARE TO CHARGE US ON PARKING !!! WE ALREADY PAY ALOOOOOT !!!! i swear i have money but im not paying because im sick of them just ripping us off !!! next step they should charge us when we go to bathrooms and when we enter the library

:S:S

I know it might be crazy to say this, but i think AUS will need a parking building sooner or later, so i recommend building a parking building instead of small tiny parking lots.

why not building Parking Building Blocks at P3 and P4 that would increase the capacity behind the student center?

PUT ALOT OF CAMERAS SINCE SECURITY HAS NO CLUE WHAT PEOPLE DO IN THE PARKING

please allow those who live on campus to park near the colleges. we NEED our cars, even if we pay a reasonable amount of money

Yup, shouldn't cost a student a FILS.

Reduce prices. Temporary visitors should be given a card so they can enter without the need to pay. Or instead, parking meters should be used rather than tags. This is so that those who come by car and sometimes bus do not have to pay for the whole semester. It much better I am sure. Then the parking will be available to others.

parking at AUS is a ripoff. it should be free off-charge. or make some more convenient way of tranportation to campus like small vans alot of them! goin around campus non stop. and it comes right at ur door step the nearset bus stop for me is 400m away!!!!

no

I think that free parking for the engineering students needs to be there near the engineering buildings since we have classes at 8am and need to walk all the way from the free parkings located near the NAB buildings.

أقترح أن لا يتم إدخال أي سيارة إلى حرم الجامعة الأمريكية في الشارقة على الإطلاق... فلتجعلوا المواقع خارج حرم الجامعة... نريدها جامعة تحارب تلوث البيئة :-)

I think that the current system is very convenient, fair and less problematic than before.

some q's are silllly what is the finding from asking a question as cars are expensive,do you like off road

we pay alot why cant we park where we want

Make it free, on a first come first serve basis.

Engineering students have to pay the payed parking since this is the only parking lot they have or else the free parking which is ~~10 minutes walking time..(taking into consideration that engineering students sometimes carry big books)..,

buses too small and not evryone can get in to reach classes on time

Parking should depend on the school the student is enrolled in, and that should be by default at a minimal charge. As an architecture students, we have a lot of supplies and models to carry, so we need a parking spot close to our building, as well as shaded, as we are usually there all day.

I agree that parking should be free to every one off campus and not to

people who are on campus. because they already live near schools. but we people who live off campus we drive all the way from many emirates and its so unfair when we see that peopl on campus with cars are parking their cars in parkings around the schools. I wish I can park near my school but 300 AED is alot for me 100 AED is fine. knowing that we are already paying alot of money in tution.

try to make underground parkings find some places to increase parking spaces make parkings available to students who live in the dorms

Transportation in AUS should be improved, AUS location is in the middle of the desert and not every student has a car. It is hard to find good transportation whenever I want to go to Dubai or Sharjah, I think there is should buses that goes to different places on regular basis so that I can g any where I need, If AUS where located near somewhere more active and surrounded by more stores and malls and etc. this would have not been a big problem, but in the situation being the transportation provided must be improved.

there should be allowing only sophomores and seniors close parkings to there buildings. or as you finish yearly you would be allowed to park closer to your major building

WHY DO WE HAVE TO PAY????

At first, i thought paid parking would help the traffic in AUS, but not only it did not make any changes in traffic and searching for free space, but also samester after semster is getting more difficult, i dont know why they will not make the parking lots double or do some construction on them to make student comfortable with this amount of money they are paing for the parking. In fact they are paying for nothing just for benefit of AUS.

Why does some parking have to be reserved?...its not fair that i pay for parking and everyday half the parking is reserved...whats the use of paying for parking then?

The parking should be free for students, and should not for visitors.I think visitors should pay. As long as I am an AUS member, I think I have the right to have a parking space.

I always wondered day and night; Why can't there be a two-storey parking instead of the one row parkings we have outside? Just design the parking lot to look and fit in with the Architecture of AUS. Because the students will only keep on increasing; and the amount of parking will not be sufficient. Moreover, whether we like to admit it or not; we are in the Middle East and students here will definitely pay if it means walking less in the heat since there are no trees for shade either! As students of a University we shouldn't be paying the University in order to get a parking space we pay more than enough for the tuition and books and other needs such as transportation.

I have never heard or known of a university that makes people pay for

parking spots, and whenever i tell anyone that my university requires people to pay they get extremely shocked. Since AUS wants the money and since there always is a security guard available why dont you just put toll booths that way only those using will pay and no one paying will not find a place to park, it will also come on a first come first served basis, no one will be able to park in "no parking" areas, and finally no one will park for longer than they need to giving other the opportunity to take their place.

The university busses are now becoming very full and not practical for us in AUS because they come full from SHarjah university and we end up having to stand up in the bus.

teachers and staff shouldn't have priority to parking because we are paying to come to university and they are getting paid so tough for them!

Build a 2 storey high parking building at every school's most commonly used parking. Would save everyone the hassle of finding a parking in the morning.

Add the express buses that go from the campus straight to the dorms, and vice versa. (w/o passing by the faculty and sports complex etc.) Especially to/from the SA&D building because alot of students carry heavy stuff with them, so it is not convinient for SA&D students to come from the dorms on foot, that is why you seriously have to increase the number of times the bus stops there. i think that will help ALOT.

i think that it is ridiculous that as students we and fopr the faculy as well to have to pay for parking. it is evident that there is a parking problem but why cant that just build double story parking lots.

everyone will be able to park in the shade close to the buildings they want to use and it will not be such a big job. we already pay tremendous amounts in fees, i think the university can afford to build parking lots that are not just ground level

we pay for parking.. and after that its not available to us,,wherever we park we came later to find a dissent paper on our cars written on it its for faculty only,,and the other places that are avialible to the paid parkings are not enough for all the students who already paid

If it is possible to make a pedestrian bridge between campus and residential areas it will be much more convenient ... Espicially in the summer because of the sun and during the time before class since it is crowded

Changes for the timings of the shuttle bus of Dubai buses... they should come to and from frequently like the sharjah buses.

I think you should increase parking spaces around AUS, not miles away where students have to walk for sometime to reach their cars.

Have a multi storey parking lot with less hassle especially as the

students are increasing. And if we are required to pay for a parking we should have a reserved parking lot allocated. Or the number of parking lots allocated should match the parkings available.

make the parking more bigger...and no need for faculty to park near to their offices...

Parking at AUS shouldn't be limited to off-campus students!!

i think that you should build a parking lot with multipilt levels for example 2 or 3 floors

Transportation should be better for people living in Dubai. Better buses, bigger ones, and cleaner with strong ACs. Parking should be free because it is a right that the student gets

Please build parking building of three floors in each existing parking that is the best solution. Make the parking free for every student, we already pay the university enough money? in addition the weather is not helping if we choose to walk. We also have to carry many books which makes the walking process even worst!! Waiting for your feedback....

scheduals and information about buses to and from AUS should be more available, i want to use the bus but i dont know anything about them.

I strongly suggest to find a convinient solution for the parking as soon as possible. i believe it is unfair to delegate specific parkings for faculty member (which are so close to the buildings) while students have to park further away. I also belive it is unfair to pay for parking since it really isnt making a major difference. I think, as students, we are the customers, we are the ones paying for education and therefore it is the university's job to make that experience less stressful and more enjoyable, and thus creating an atmosphere where students would enjoy studying and have "parking spaces" be the least of the stressful worries.

make it for free. 300 dhs is alot!!

yes. AUS is the only university probably in the world that we have to pay for parking. It's ridiculus. and even though some people have paid, it gets too full and sometimes they don't find parking. my opinion in this whole chaotic matter is to make shades for the free parking, i mean walking to and from the unpaid parking is no problem at all for me, we all need the exercise. the best thing to do is put shades on the free parking and make all the other parkings also for free. we don't have as much money as you think we all do!!!

we can solve this problem by having parking buildings.. maybe hard to have, but could be easier for us and students to come..

The Parking should be Free. FREE

AUS shouyld increase the parking spaces because it's not enough for everyone

Nah, not really, the free parking is just a long way from the classes, but I guess that's the price you pay for it being free. Architecture students have so many things to carry (models, materials, laptops..) and in desperate need to see their cars free parking in all parking lots after 5 pm

AUS must provide more buses going to different places other than city center..and provide free parking for students on and off campus

As students, we are under TREMENDOUS amounts of stress. AUS already has us losing weight, turning into unsociable weirdos, sleeping at ridiculous hours, wanting to cry at any given second and then, want to charge us for parking. I carry a lot of film equipment around and my photography equipment. It's a good fifteen minute walk from where I park to where I need to be. Carrying all those things such a distance everyday has resulted in acute fibromyalgia for me. So no, I'm not lazy. I'm just an exhausted senior student who would appreciate some support from a university that rarely shows sympathy for its students. parking for on campus students should be made available.....

they should eliminate the fee for paid parking, as it is we are already paying lots of money for the fees and it keeps increasing every year.... last thing we needed is the paid parking!! in Europe and Canada they don't have this system

they should add more parkings for everyone and if you have to pay you should be able to reserve your own parking spot

Give Cars for free Keep Ishaak away from the parking lots

Make the parking bigger by building more levels!!!!!!!!!!

Why did they remove the shades from the parking in block G and block EF? I don't see any advantage in doing that. It would have been much better if they did that during the 1 month holiday and not before that some cars were parked there and a lot of damage could have happened. I believe that everyone should be able to park in AUS campus, whether or not they live on campus. Students who live on campus naturally pay more money, but they still don't get the option of paying for university parking. In addition, the shades for only the women's dorms EF and G were removed, which basically damages the cars on a regular basis. Priority of parking should be given to whoever is willing to pay more, not exclusively to off-campus students. Architecture and design students need their cars to carry all their equipment, which sometimes requires more than one trip back to the parking to get everything out. This piece of information should be put into consideration regardless of the students' living quarters.

What I can suggest for AUS parking problem would be as follows; as it can be seen now, though the parkings are paid there is not much of free space, because at least on the parking lot that I park, most of the spaces are filled with faculty cars that I don't think they have paid the

300 amount. and plus that there are many many cars of the students who are living on campus. because first of all for many the parking fine is not a big issue and for others they have got the parking lot stickers with the id's of the students who do not have a car. so the only way that i think can be solved is to the security people to check each and every car on the entrance of parking lots and i wish there would be a way that each school's sticker would be different than others. because WE students of SA+D always have something to carry, and we cant find an appropriate car park just because of some students of other majors who do park in ARCHITECTURE parking lots just because its near to student centre and other facilities.so i wish someone would just hear us and solve our problems. i dont think paying would solve anything of our problems.

PARKING SHOULD BE FREEEEEEEEEE.. WE ALREADY PAY TUTION FEES WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO PARK ANYWHERE AT CAMPUS.

We as students are paying almost 30,000 dhs a semester or more. We deserve to be able to park next to the buildings we study in. The university just wants to make extra money any way it can and charging us for parking is just unreasonable.

yea.... why on earth is the car sticker thing on gates so strict.. its not even funny!!! its sooo annoying!?! please stop that, atleast reduce it! its enough if we dont have the sticker while parked we pay fine! dont be so strict on letting us in.. student id is enough!! somtimes i switch cars and i cant get it coz my sticker is stuck on my other car!!! i cant believe that!

The campus was so badly built. Maybe if there were underground parkings for faculty and staff then there would be MUCH more parking spaces for students. What gave AUS the right to take a row of parking spaces to staff and faculty in the business parking area??? There are already insufficient parking spaces for students who have prepaid parking so it's only fair that faculty and staff go through as much trouble as us in finding a parking space. We paid the same amount of money..they shouldn't be given any preference! I think that if the campus was built in a way that buildings weren't so far apart and everything was covered, people would be much happier because the heat is just too much to take in the summer..especially with the marble floors all over campus..the heat reflects right off it! AUS should somehow link all buildings through an airconditioned passageway and that includes car parks. Why not have a multi-storey car park which is linked to say, the student center and then have the student center somehow linked to other buildings. It would really help us not getting into the heat in summer because it's really unbearable!

The transportation used by Avis is good, but at times, punctuality is not maintained. The students living on campus should be forbidden to park

their cars in the AUS parking slots because we come all the way from Dubai and expect to get a decent parking, but they are usually taken up by dorm students. Also, some parking spaces which are free do not have shades on top, and with the weather, by the time we come back to our cars, they are heated up because there is no shade on the top. This can be an option for the AUS transport authorities. Also, they need to be informative about the car sticker registration. When I went to renew my car sticker, I was told that I did not have to renew it and so I was told to come back the next semester to renew it. When I did, they charged me money because I had not renewed it last semester and they were the ones who told me that car sticker did not have to be registered!

all parking lots should be free to everyone.

more parking spaces

yes.. i really hate the fact some cars are showing off to their friends and they race in a narrow road for no reason and it scares the hell out of me.. i think those security guys should have the ability to do something or most importantly they can have someone around to make sure they do not race. it is very dangerous when people are crossing the street they can barely stop their car and it is scary that many times happened in front of my eyes, people either panic or they are about get hid by a silly fast drivers. on the other hand, yes they should cancel this parking payment it is exactly how it was before i dont see any chance first come first serve.

no

Only that it should be free, and more parkings should be built, not taken away from us. These are our priviledges, it's unfair that off-campus students get more rights than on-campus ones.

I think that SA&D students who live in the dorms, should be allowed to park in P5, since there are usually a lot of things to carry with them, plus some very delicate projects might get damaged on the way walking to the campus. I also noticed that the shades in Dorm EF parking is removed, this is not fair for the students who live there, other students are offered shaded parkings, while they are not and do not have the option of paking it in a shaded area on campus.

We are each paying 400 AED to park in a shaded spot but whenever i come to park my car, i never find a parking slot. Parking spaces should and must be increased. We need to get rid of wasted space and use it as parking areas for students...with shade as most of us have very expensive cars that need to be protected from the sun rays.

- I feel all parking spaces should be covered. It is just inhumane for this type of climate to have open parking lots. -There is a bus to Dubai. However, it is only at 2pm, 4pm and 6 pm this is not convienent.In the morning it comes only at one time. We need the bus to be available

more often. -Students are increasing, hence the need for more parking spaces. More and more parking lots are being built further and further away from the academic buildings. Instead of that, parking lots can be made 2 or 3 storeys (This saves space and time. The student won't take 10 minutes to reach class, heavily perspiring).

1) The number of spaces in every parking lot should be increased. 2) The free lots should be shaded. 3) The number of reserved lots should be decreased, hence creating more space for the paid zone.

no

It is not fair for students who are living in the dorm to not to park in the parking lots on campus. Some of them have a lot of books to carry which is hard to carry them while walking. And in my case, I should carry my books and walk since I live in the dorm which is not good for my health because I have disc in my back and it is hard for me to walk. parkings should be free for students and faculty...we students pay enough money to study and it's not our problem that AUS is too far that we need to drive and own cars...plus there are many alternatives for providing extra spaces rather than forcing students who dont want to pay for parking to park too far away from their building. i dont mind walking but not in UAE's amazing summer weather. And plus..why do we get stopped at the main gate every single day in the morning if we have our car stickers on the car's window? do we have to stick our ID's on the window as well to get the right to enter our university? And one more thing...when police at the stage are questioning people without car stickers..i think they should provide a parking place for them to park and negotiate..instead of keeping other people standing in line waiting for their investigation to end and therefore miss half of their class. thank you, i hope these problems will end soon..

think issue has been brought out several times again i will say that i have a car, i live i the dorms, so that permits me fro parking in the parking lots before 5 pm. i am a design student, from time to time i carry alot of stuff i need transportation. thank you please consider that Yes I think that buses should be more, and coming at different timings! and the parking should be equal as "first come, first served" and not by paying!!

Just about the Parking because i have my own car! Just consider that students of Architecture and Design is very different from others student because we have heavy lap tops and models to carry, and our books and notes for other subjects. And parking should be free cause we are students in the AUS and we have the right to have a spot of parking.

build multi store parking

remote parkin is juss wayyyy to remote..its a torture walkin in the hot sun...like the privilidged...y dnt v get a shade too so that our cars dont

become ovens? or is it that we gotta squeeze our wallets too for this one? Ishaq seems to roam around and hunt poor students in order to give them parking fines. Ishaq needs to be fired. It's almost like Dubai Police watching ur every move. We pay so much to Uni already and yet they seem to be hungry for more money. Locals are not given fines for violations while the Asians are always the victims..... I hate University for acting out so cheap and hungry for money all the time..... It makes me sick and wanna puke :(build a parking building with parking spaces enough for each and every person in AUS.

I HATE the fact i am paying so much for parking and not always finding parking where and when i need it and i often have to drive around for 15-20mins or have to park in the free parking under the hot sun and walk to classes. Why am i paying if you cannot even guarantee me a parking space?

it's hard to walk from the dorms to university in the summer. it's too hot and too humid. and the bus is slow

let the parking be free please, so you make our lives easier. thanks

In UAE, most of the time weather is very hot so it is better all student that live in compuse use their car if they have a car. Also for girls are very difficult that they go to class from dorms by walking.

CAS, Business & Architecture parkings could be made bigger instead of the large spaces of concrete!

no

concerning parking at aus!! they should make more parkings they can do them underground or whatever and about the 300AED we pay every year!! i still do not find parkings where i usually need a parking! which is inconvenient!! its getting worse than before!!!

the aus sharjah buses are very old and lack services and the seats are very limited, they must be modified

some teachers have strict policies of not allowing students to enter after 5 minutes and students are sometimes late in reaching university beyond their will because of traffic or other problems and not finding parking makes them even more late.

don't make it paid!!!

I would like to look again at this issue because i think its unfair for us (who live on campus) paying the same fees as those who are living out of campus can't park in my school parking....If they are paying then i'll pay too; however, it should be free since when universities allow their students to pay for a park?? Its not fair i walk from the dorms to university and paying same fees as others and can't have the same park... Its right that its not crowded anymore and students are not late because of the park but still its unfair for students who are living on campus

buses to areas like dubai should have more flexible hours for moving back and forth. I suggest to have multistory parking area so that a large number of cars can park in a small area and no need for shades a clear plan for transportation should be provided in AUS. we have no idea about the transportation plans or timings. more parking should be added. why dont they build on the top of the parkings to save space! there should be no fees for parking at AUS!

Free parking should be shaded. In summer it is not feasible to have to park your car in the free parking from 8-5, especially if you are an Engineering student and have labs from 2-5.

Students should have fixed parking spaces. I mean if we're able to pay for it why not offer it? Its more convenient that way. We NEED more parking spaces. It's a total NIGHTMARE.

the busses are always full, never enough space to get, and they stop after 6

Many people do not like to park in a place that is far from their school. The parking lot should be two floors rather than one floor, and must be sealed because of the weather; to protect the car from sunny or rainy days. If the parking lot were two floors, it must be connected to the school building through a sky way to save the time.

Sometimes in the parking lots, cars will take up 2 spaces while parking. This is very irritating, gives us less spots to park in and those cars should be fined.

I think the need for paid parking is very unnecessary. During peak times, all paid parkings are full and even those who have paid tickets end up parking in the free area. Furthermore, the free parking area is extremely far especially for engineering students. Moreover, the free parking area should at least have a roof. It shouldn't seem like students are being punished for not paying for their parking by having their cars in the sun the whole day.

Evening MBA students (working adults) should not have any parking restrictions. They spend most of their day in traffic facing parking problems. Not worth to face the same problem at University in the evening after a tiring day at work. After 3pm, evening students should not have restrictions on parking.

MBA students do usually come in the afternoons. More on that, they do pay more than under-graduates. Don't they deserve special parking privileges?

We understand that parking spaces are limited, but if they American University of Sharjah wants to hold that university name proudly, then it must find a way to solve this parking problem. Many people have problems getting to university. The bus takes a lot of time, and is not convenient for me. I am proud of my gulf origin, and my traditional thoub (kandoora) and ghitra are part of my culture. Walking to

university wearing that is not appropriate nor acceptable. My father would unregister me from this university if he I have to walk/ride the bus to university. As for the bus, I would rather walk than take the bus. We are not kids, we are adults, and we would like to be treated like ones. For the time being, I must say that your parking policy is just simply hilarious.

build multi-store car parks and save the limited land for future expansion

I find that Sharjah University city as whole was conceived as a car-only community. It is virtually impossible to live on campus without using automobiles to move around. Well, then we have to bear the consequences of these early choices! Parking is only one of them.

*Provide Larger University city buses *Build multistore parkings, if not feasible make them underground/basements parkings with 2 to three floors this will create a huge parking lots capacity for AUS(Try to shed light on this point)

To build multi-story Parking. and if AUS going to construct new buildings, then underground parking should be considered even only for staff. (The same as in the medical college in Sharjah University) P16&P17 should be open after 5PM or on Saturdays. (Usually my classes are on Sat.)

As a postgrad student and I work full time, I come after 5:00 p.m. or on weekends, and this is why I don't have problems parking at my preferred place!

inorder to encourage student to park in the remote free parking, they at least have to be sheded..

Multiple storey parkings however not too high less greenery and more parking

Since I only have classes once a week (I do come to AUS at other times to use the labs), paying for parking at the current rate is not practical. Besides the fact that a parking spot is NOT guaranteed even if I pay for it. However, it would be convenient to park near the Engineering building because I often have to walk to the parking carrying alot of things (laptop, books etc). Students who use the campus shuttle complain that buses are often late, cancelled without notice and so crowded that they don't even find a place to stand in the bus (especially at peak class times).

If there were enogh bus in variety of time,specially after 6pm,it would be better.

I don't see any facilities for students with disabilities or special conditions. I have a foot condition which doesn't allow me to walk long distances. AUS should allocate golf carts or buggies from the far-away paking areas to the main campus. During summer, AUS should construct covered tunnels or ventilated covered pathways for students

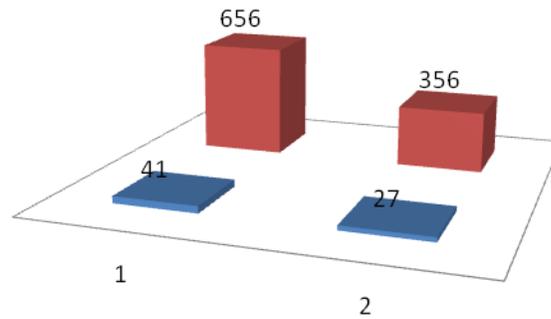
to get to different buildings.

we graduate students shouldn't be paying for parking coz we come to campus 2 days a week only and after 5 o'clock when the parking is free and everyone is leaving...i believe we should be allowed to park anywhere...and it is really getting inconvenient for everyone to pay for the parking..isn't it enough what we do in the whole country..everywhere u have to pay for a parking...even at my building we have a prepaid parking!!! universities and schools shouldn't charge students for this...they are just students !!in the whole world students have so many benefits and discounts..they are spoiled..except in this country!! and the other countries aren't rich ones like Jordan and Syria.. and even in UK students have so many benefits..we shouldn't just focus on the uni. profit they get from extra money...and again..we're just students ! and as a graduate student living in Dubai...i would really love to use the uni bus..but it stops at 6 pm !helloo...aren't we students as well..the classes end at 8...then why the last bus leaves at 6 !!

The AUS buses that take the girls from the dorms should only go to the academic buildings, student centre or clinic for simplicity. The bus stops don't have enough shade or any seats! Then why wait for the bus while standing.. Buses taking girls from the dorms are almost always completely empty!! Shade should be provided on the sidewalk from the ladies dorms to the main dorm entrance to make walking convenient (like long trees or shade structures..

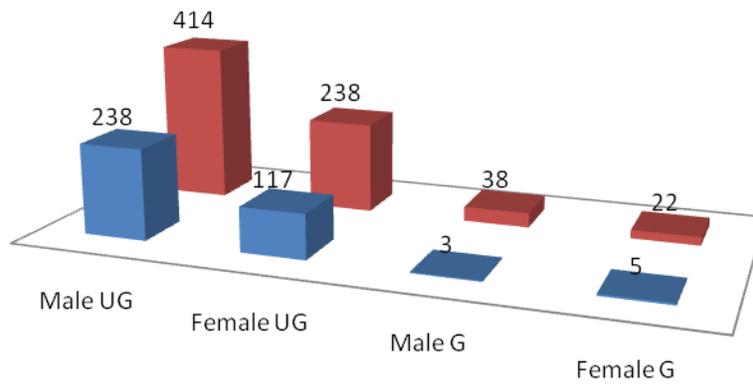
What is your primary affiliation with AUS?

■ Graduate student ■ Undergraduate student



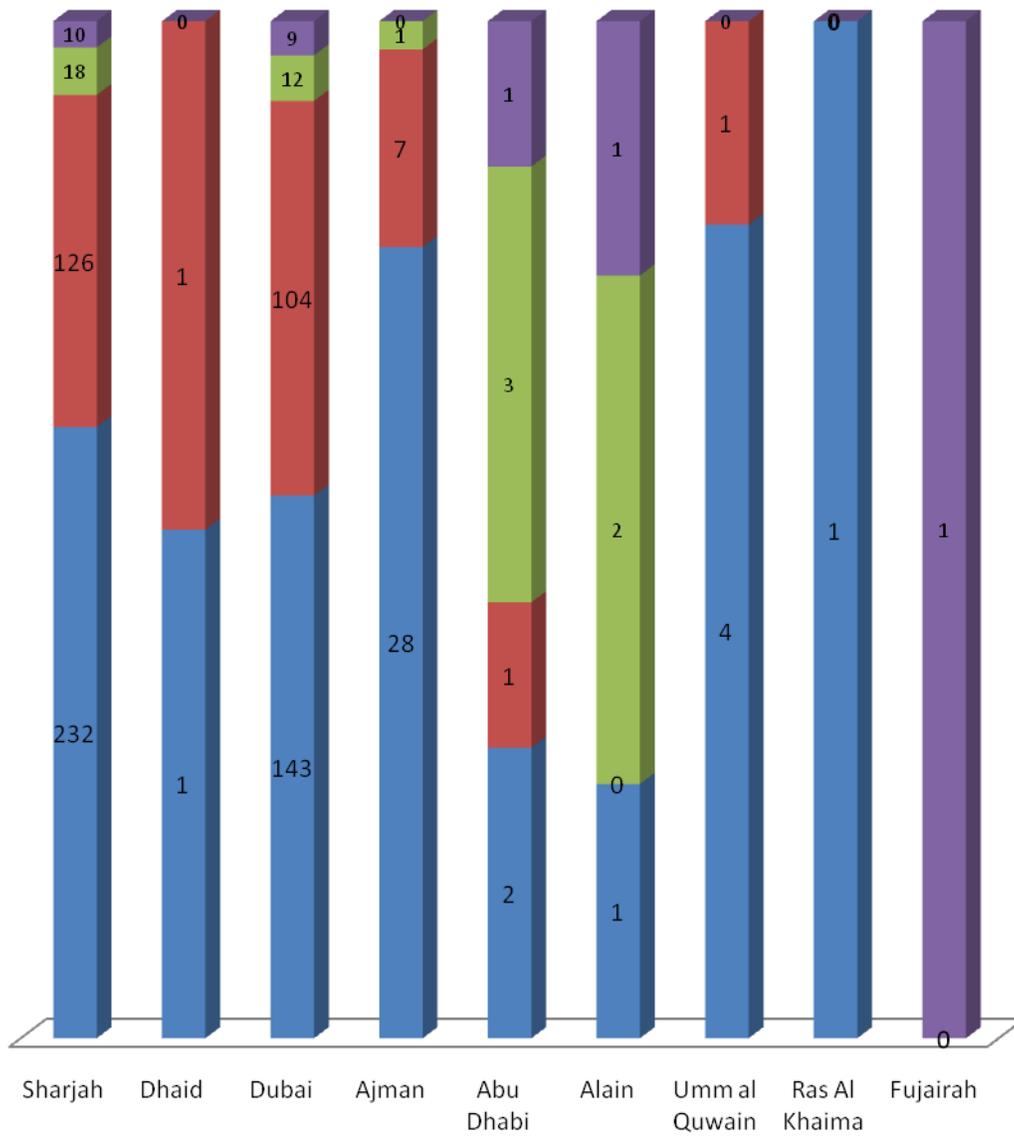
AUS students on-off Campus

■ On campus ■ Off campus

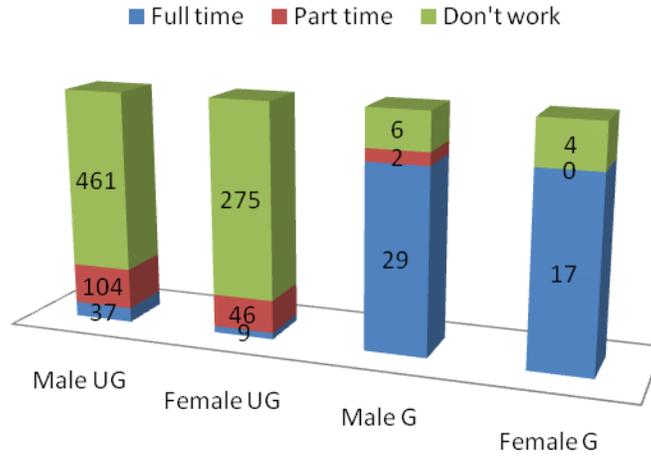


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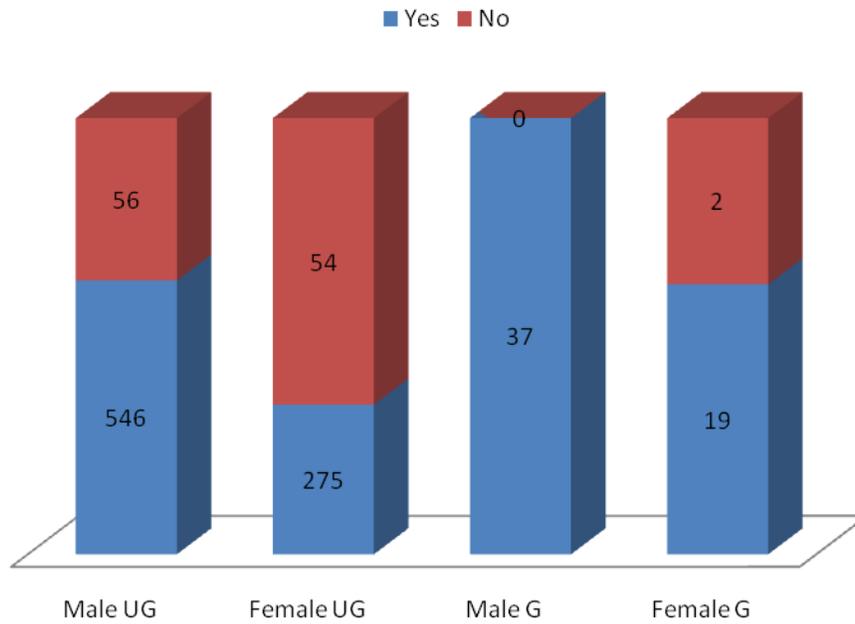
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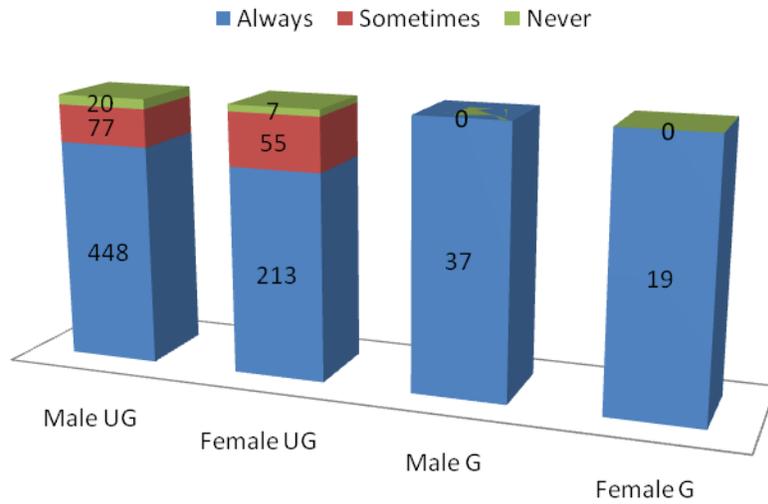
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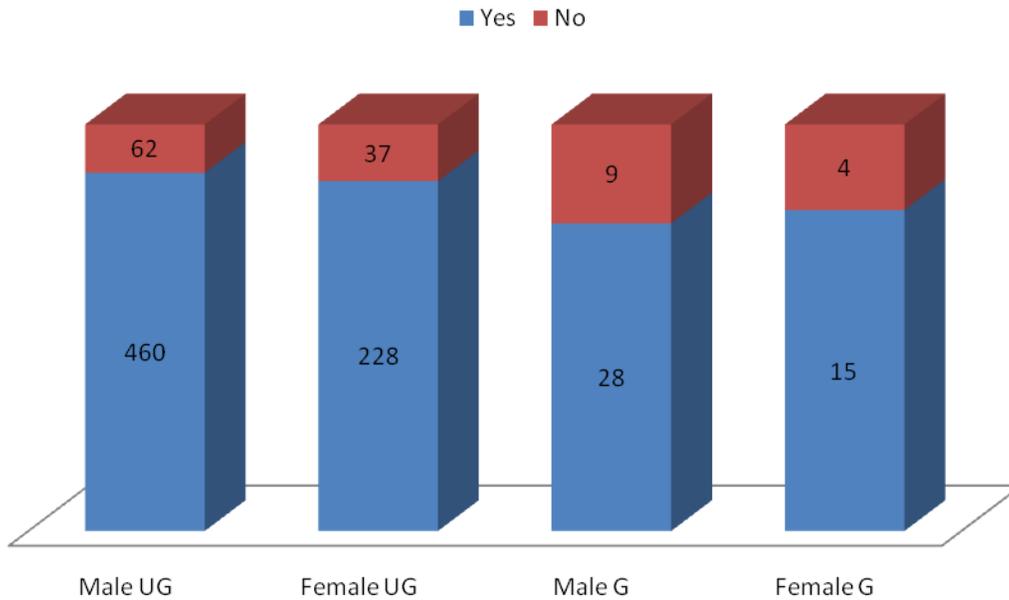
Do you have a driving license?



Do you have a car available to drive to & from campus

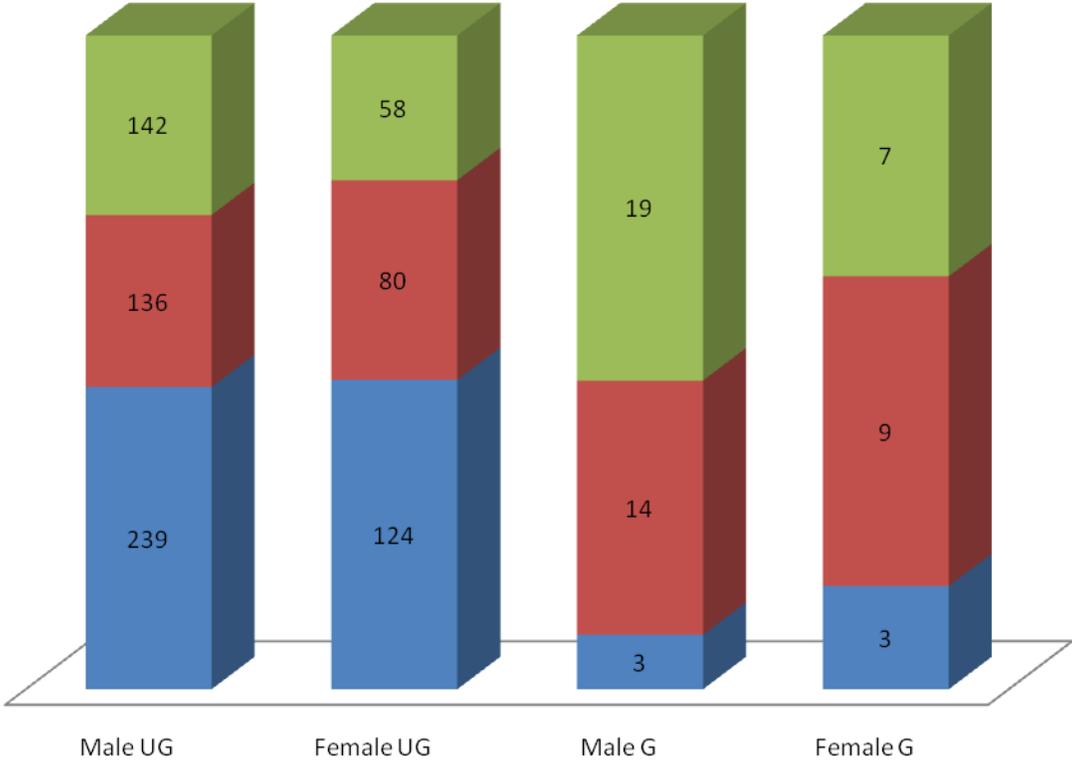


Is your car registered with AUS?



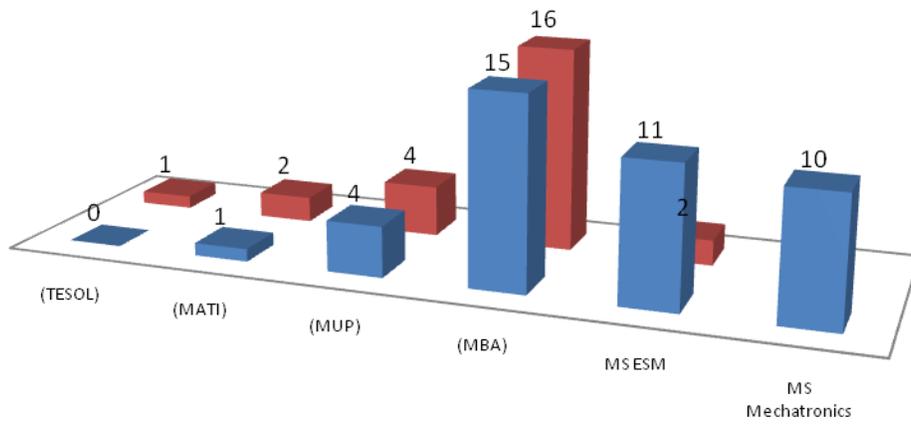
Do you have a paid parking sticker?

■ Yes, paid parking sticker ■ Yes, free parking sticker ■ No

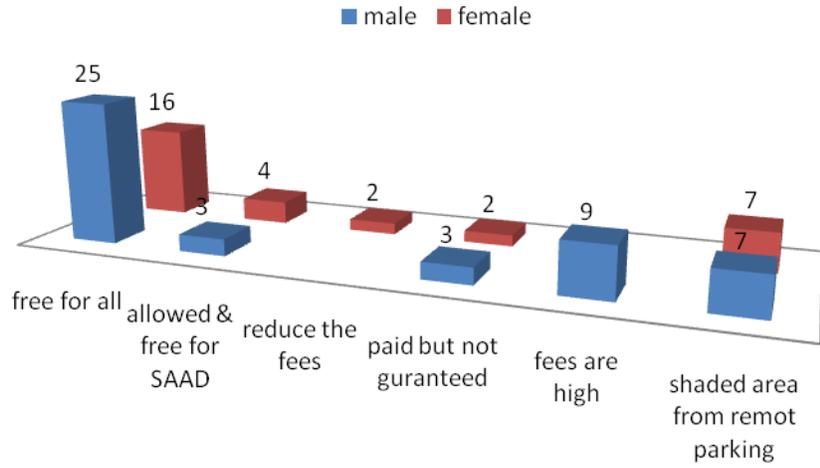


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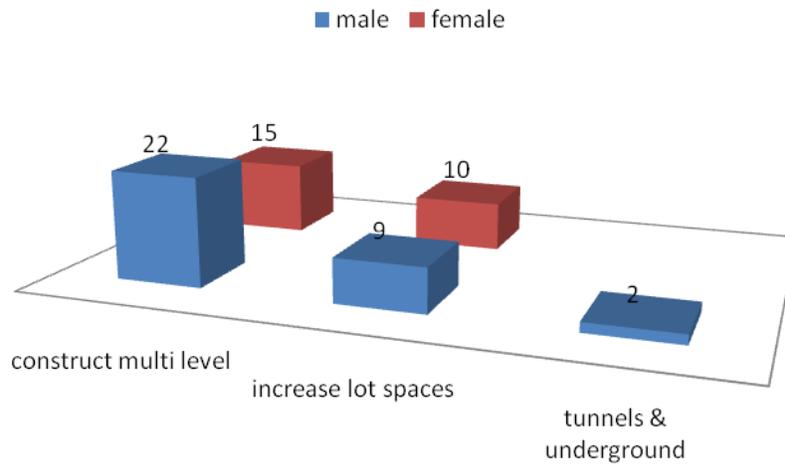
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Parking in AUS(students)

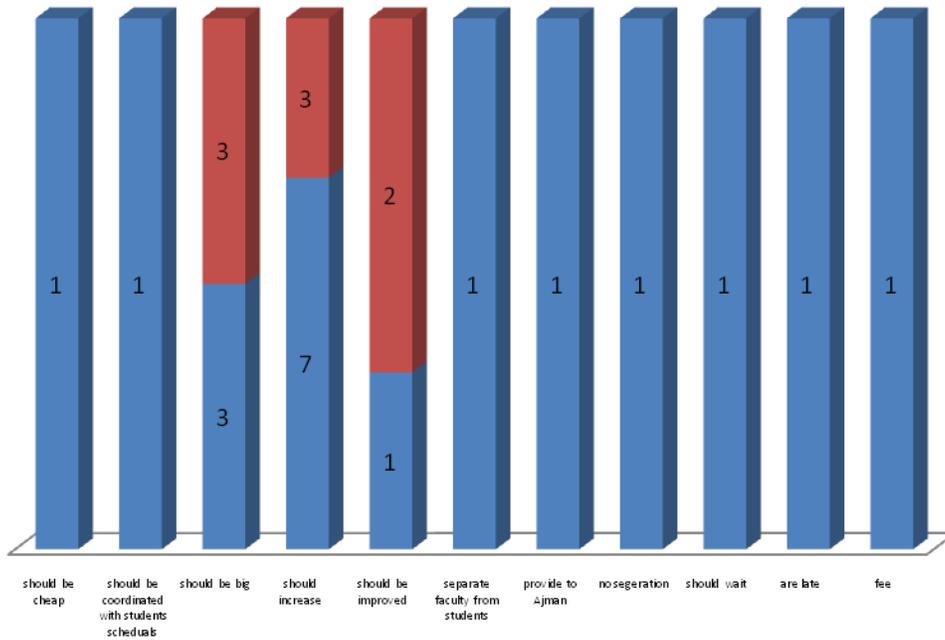


Parking should be increased with:



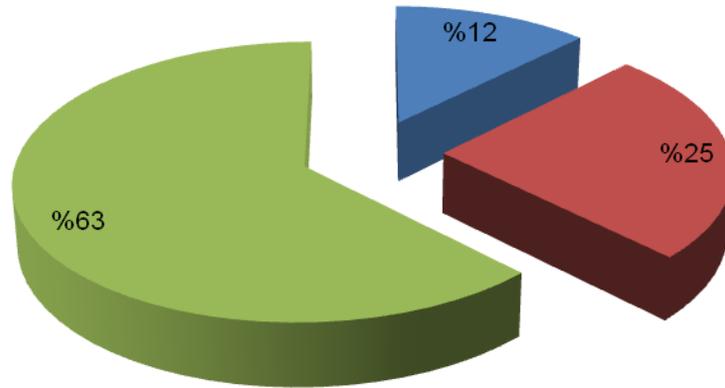
BUSES in AUS

■ male ■ female



Motorcycle

■ fee ■ shaded parking ■ enter



Current students enrolled in the Under graduate programs

