Edgewood Recreation Center

Community Meeting

October 7, 2019

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Agenda

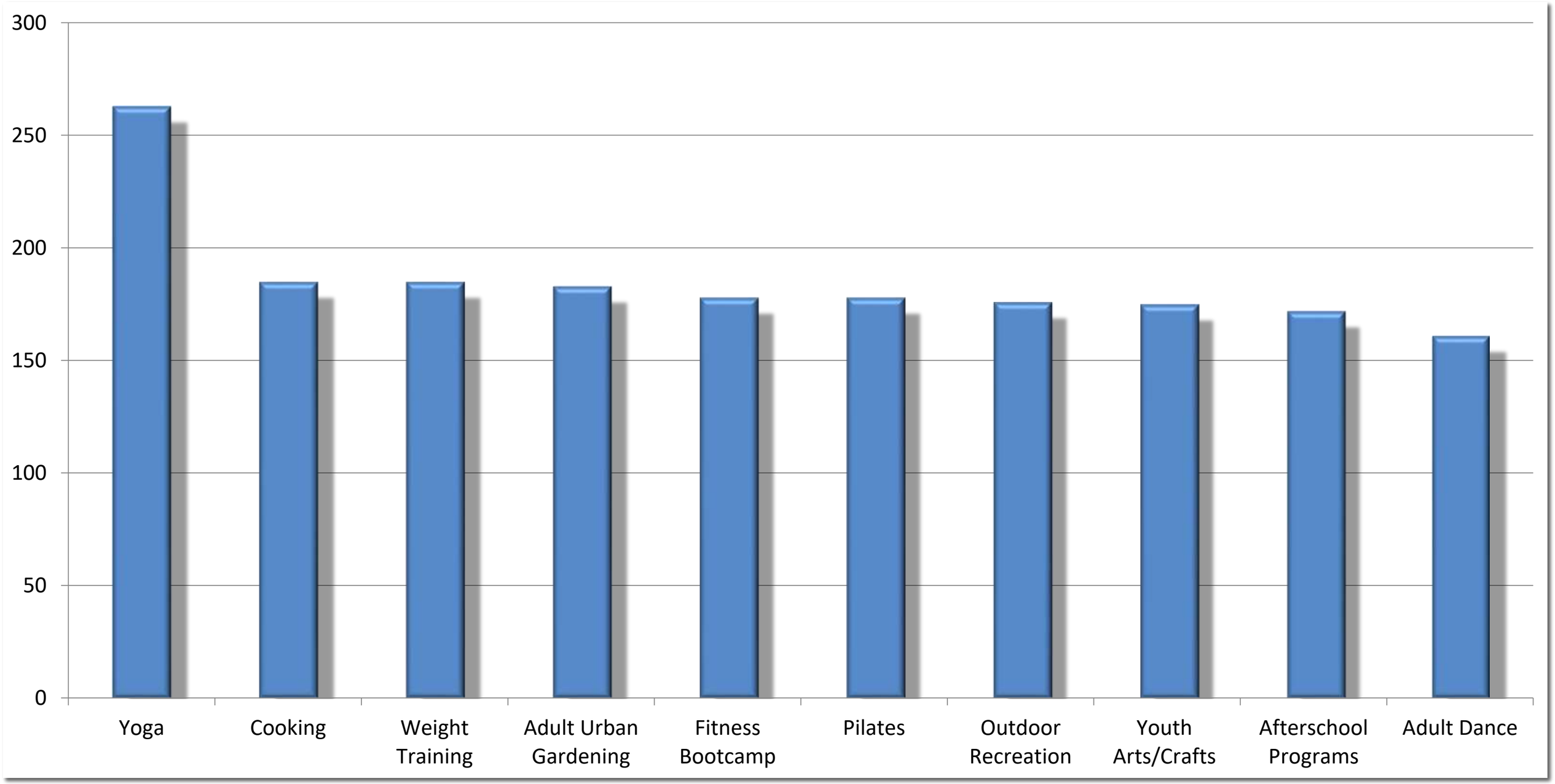
1. Project Recap
2. Programming Survey Recap
3. Project Update
4. Next Steps
5. Points of Contact

Project Recap –Where We've Been

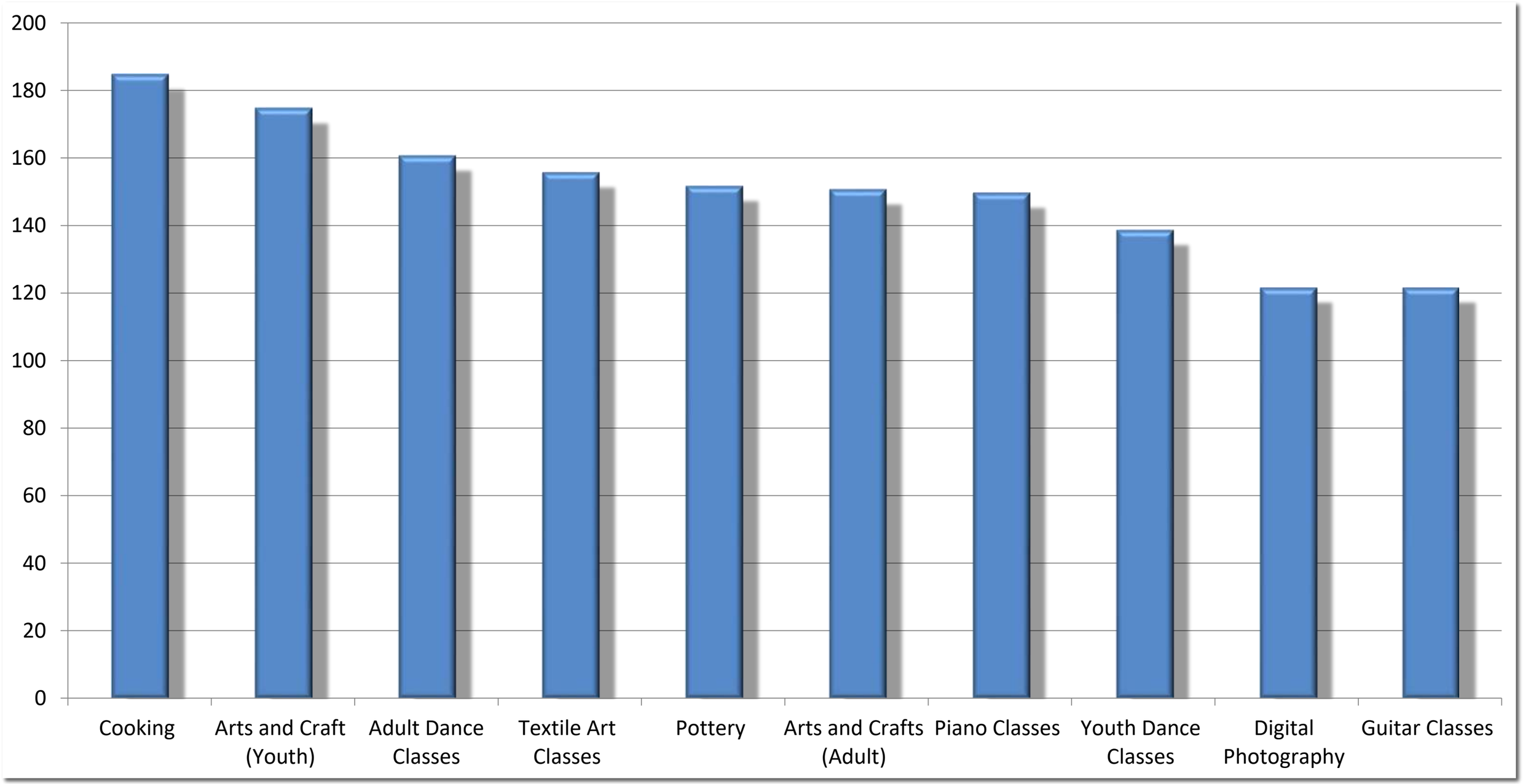
Milestones

1. **Nov 18, 2015** – Project Introduction / Introduction of Design Build Team.
2. **Dec 16, 2015** – Review of Nov. meeting feedback; obtained additional feedback.
3. **Mar 16, 2016** – Presentation of first concept design; community wants indoor gym.
4. **Nov 16, 2016**– Project receives $4M; presentation of new concept with gym.
5. **Dec 12, 2016** – Presentation of final design.
6. **Jan 13, 2017** – Open House; voting on playground and water play.
7. **Jun 17, 2017** – 2nd Open House; continued voting on playground and water play.
8. **Dec 16, 2017** – Construction kickoff meeting / Introduction of Construction Team.
9. **Jan 20, 2018** – Groundbreaking Ceremony.
10. **Mar 7, 2019** – First Programming Meeting.
11. **Oct 7, 2019** – Final Programming Meeting.

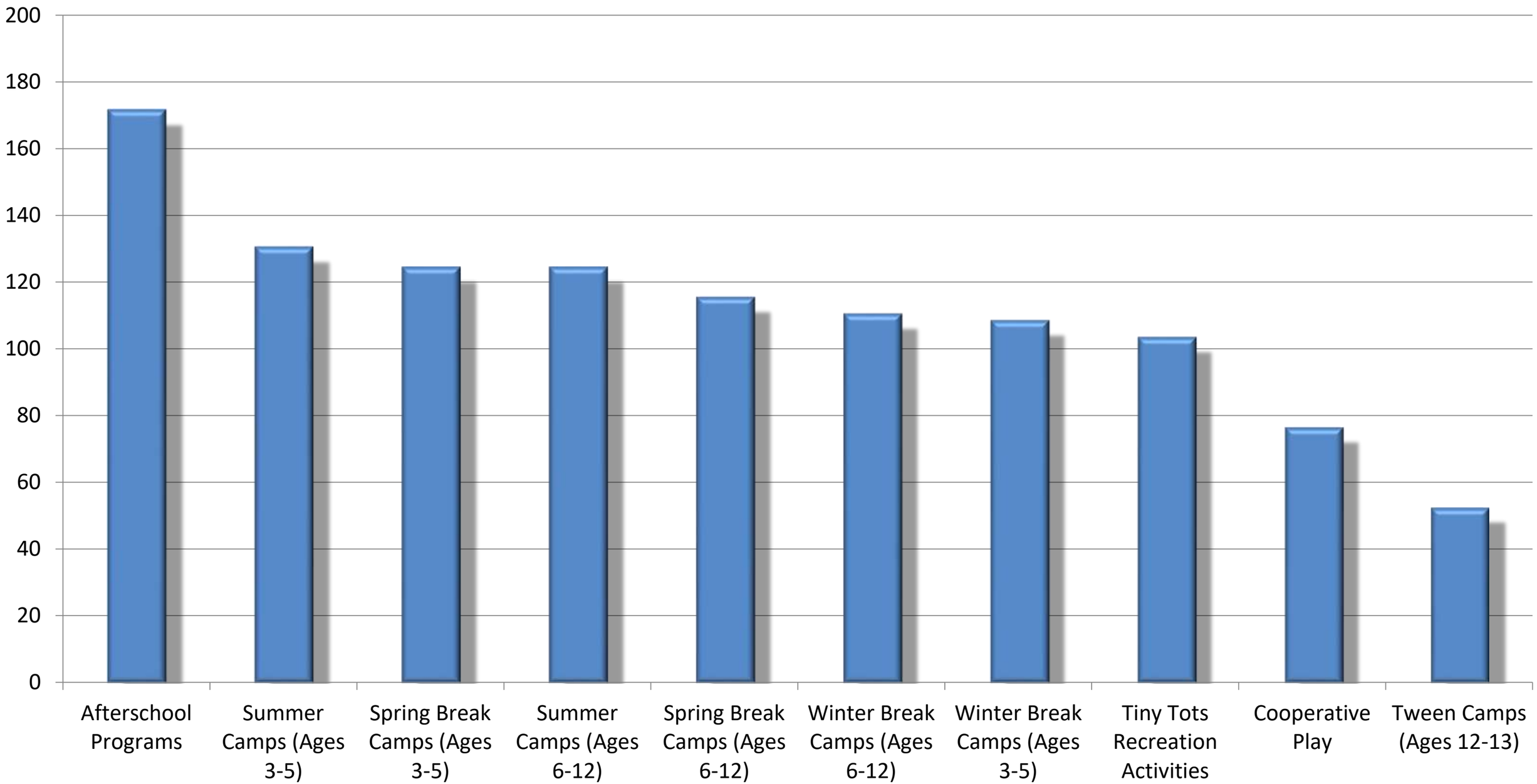
Survey Results – Overall Top 10



Survey Results – Art



Survey Results - Youth



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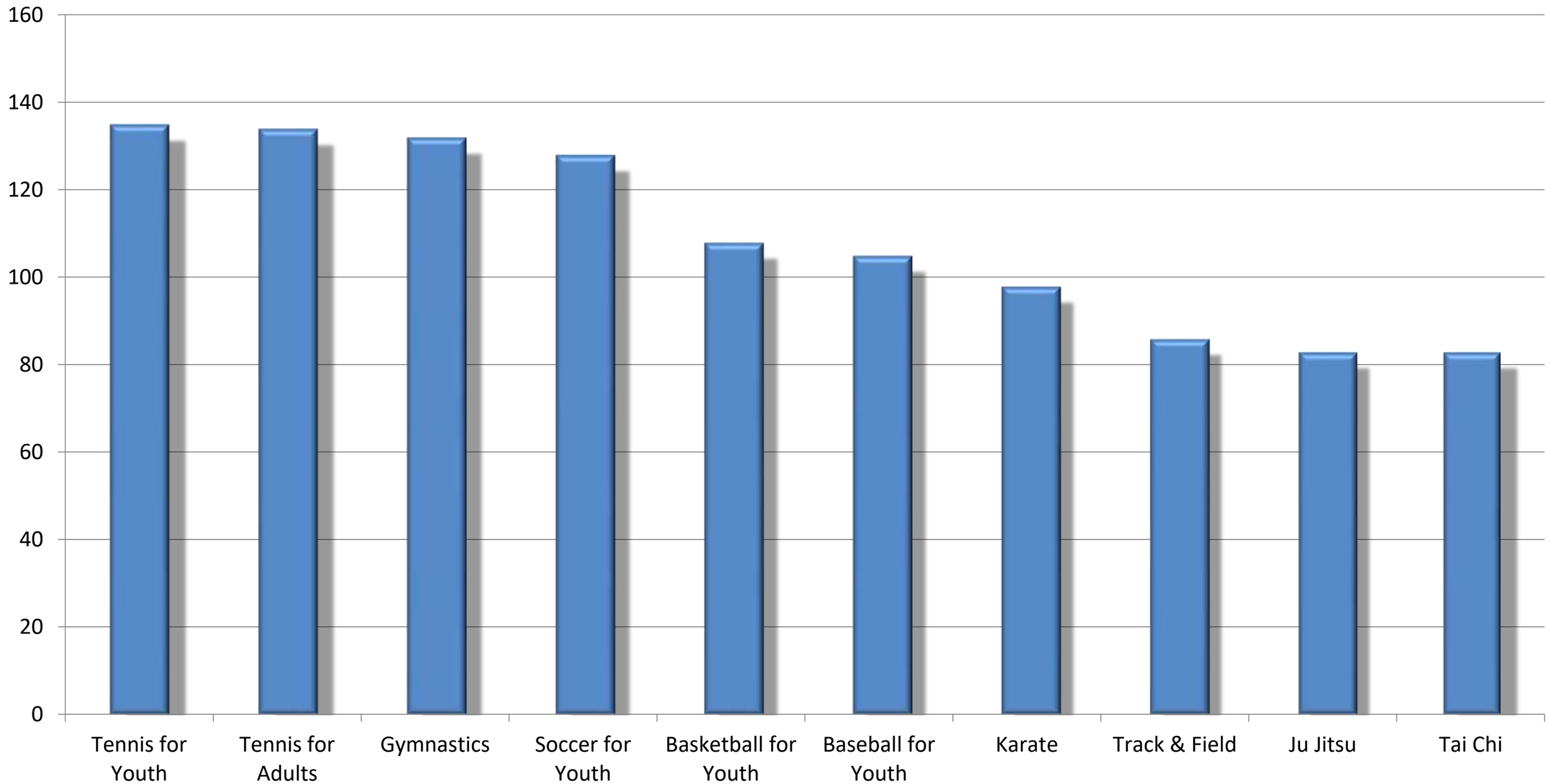
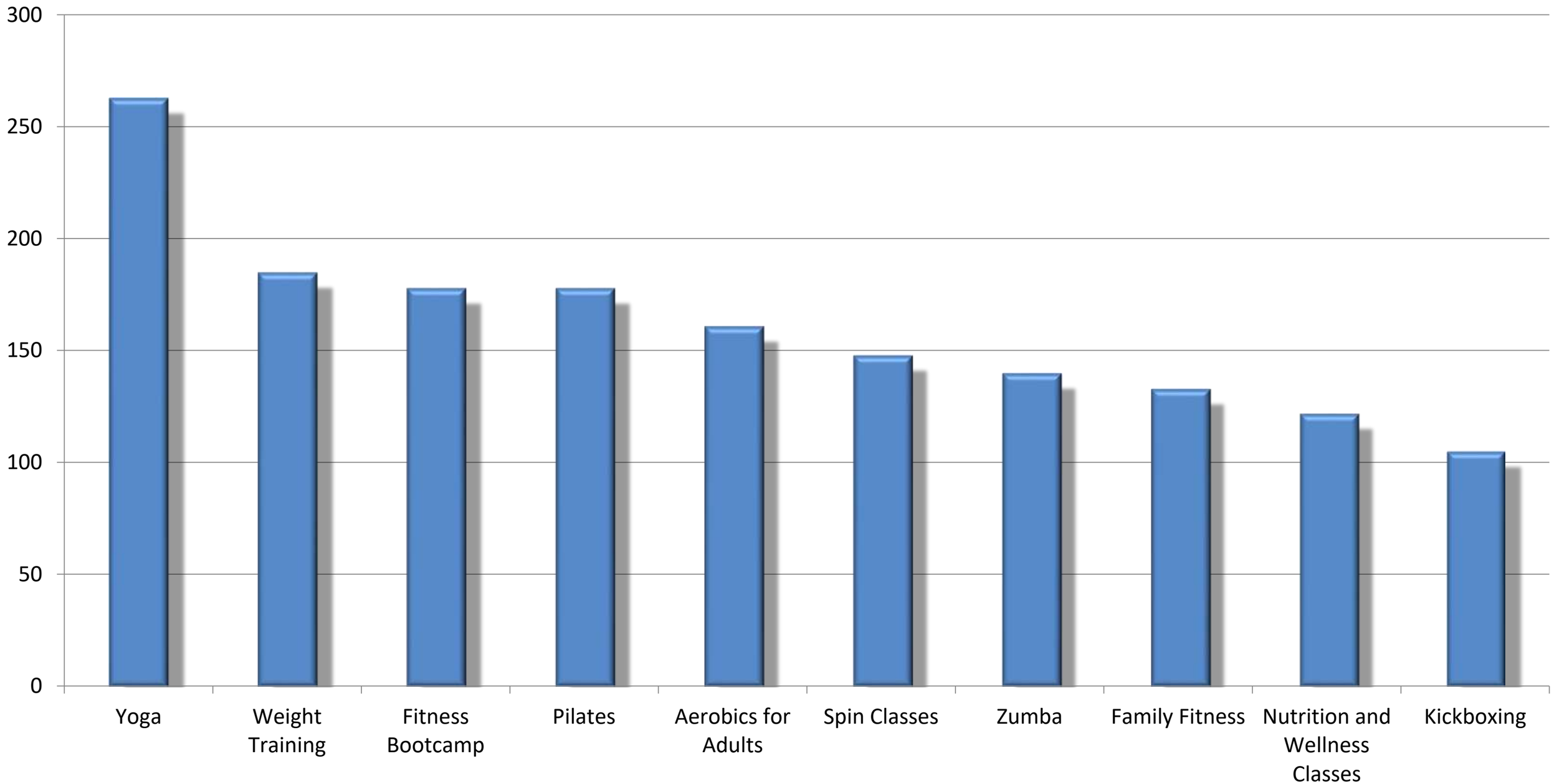
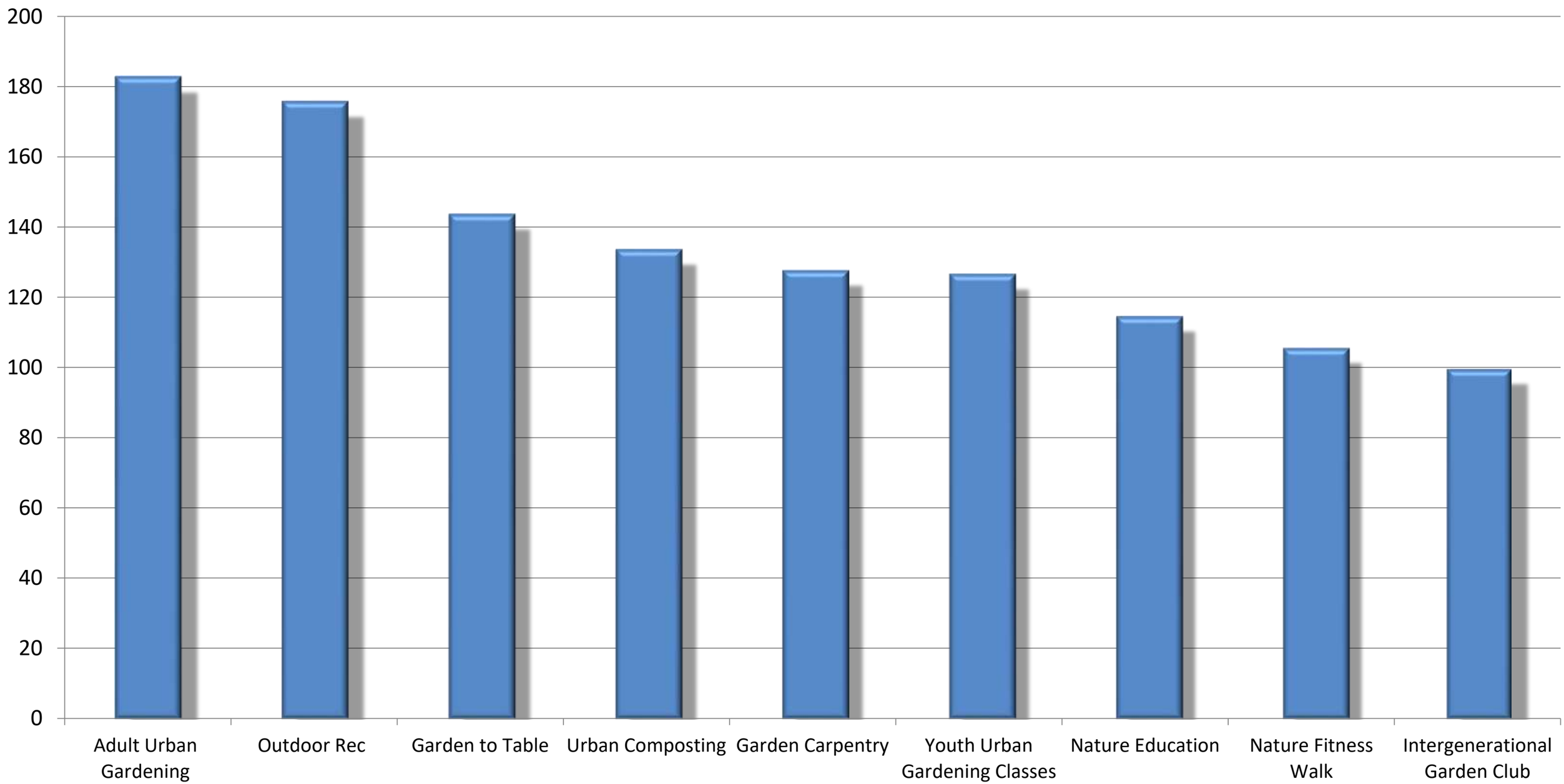


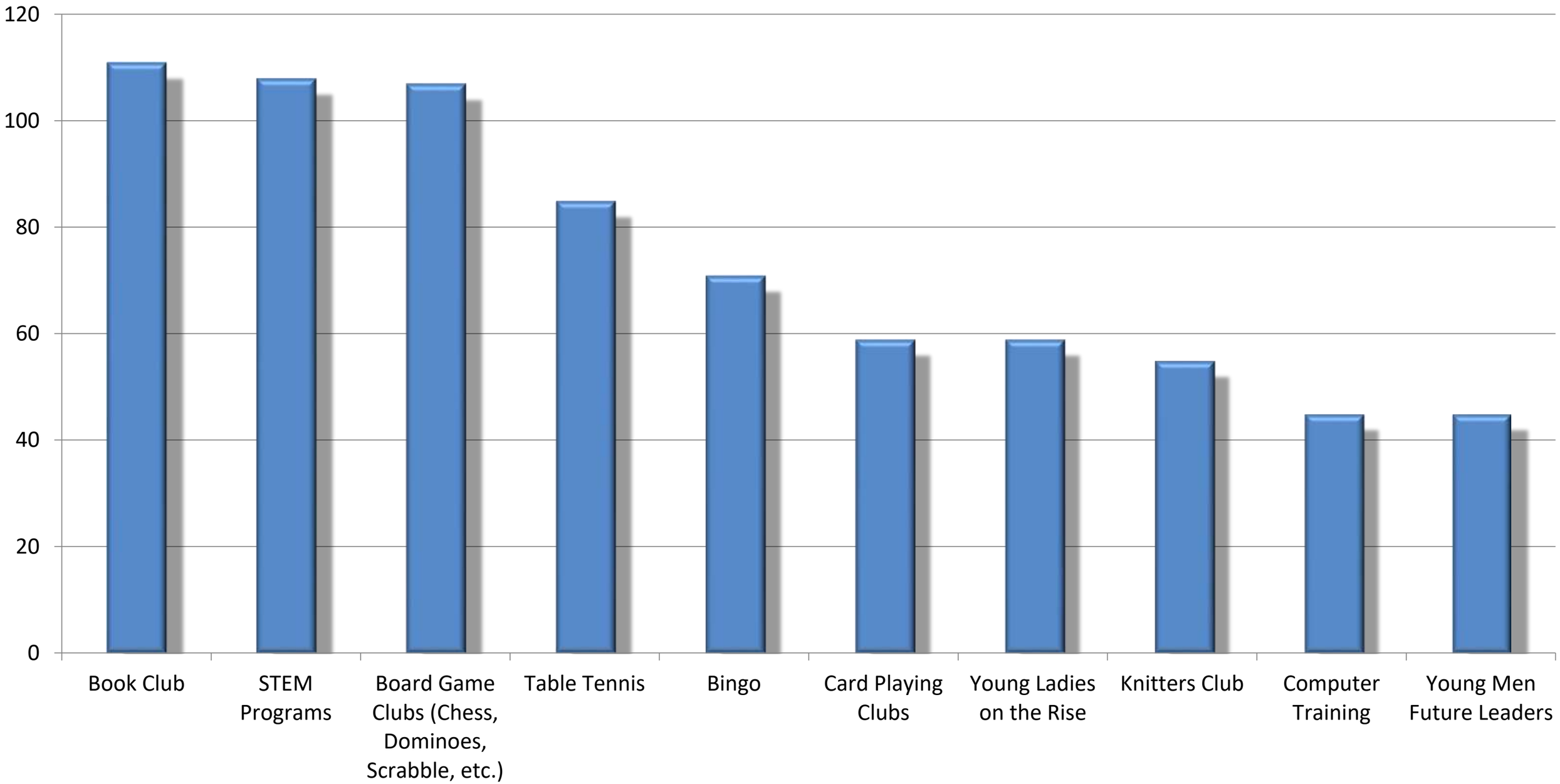
Survey Results - Family



Survey Results - Environmental



Survey Results - Seniors



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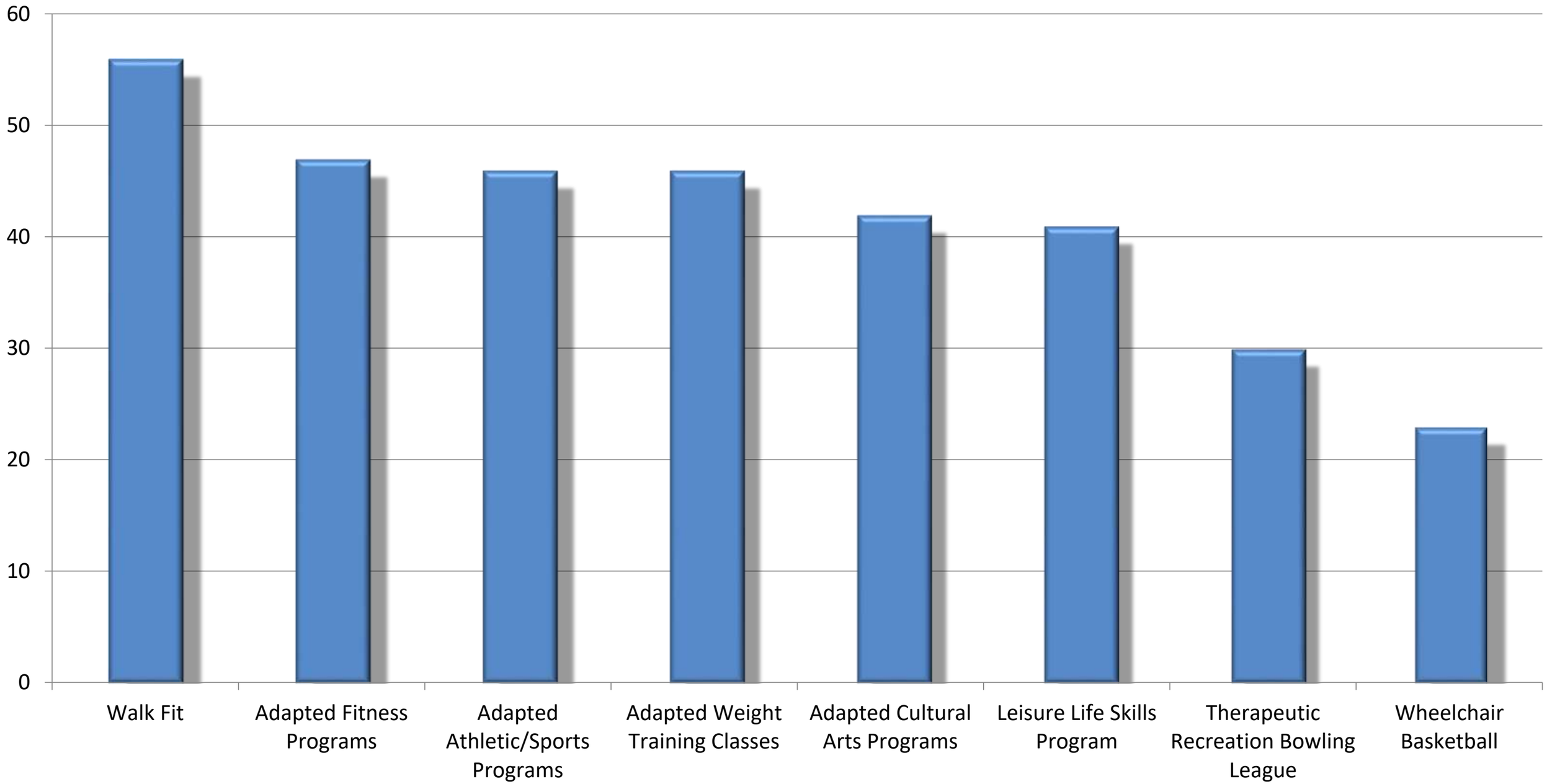
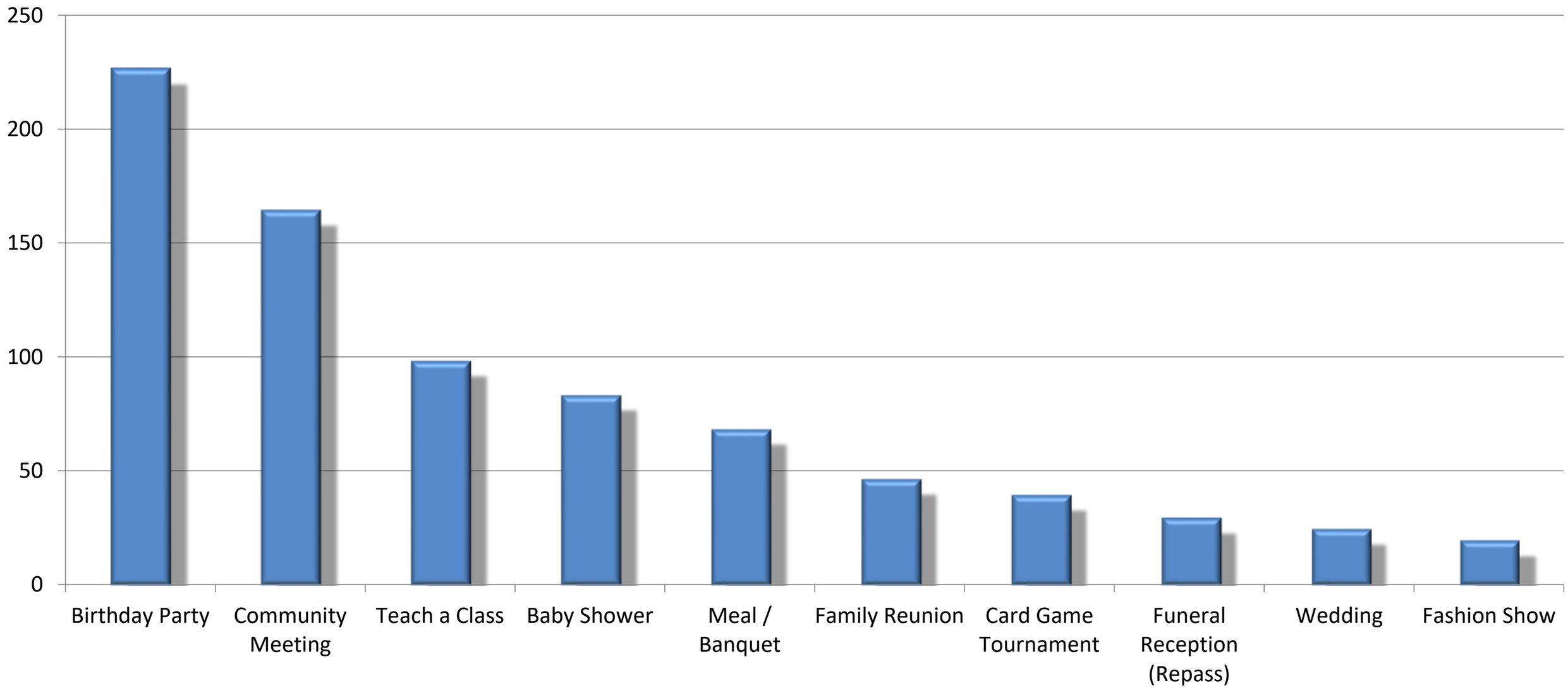


Survey Question

What are some activities that might require you to reserve a room within the new Edgewood Recreation Center?



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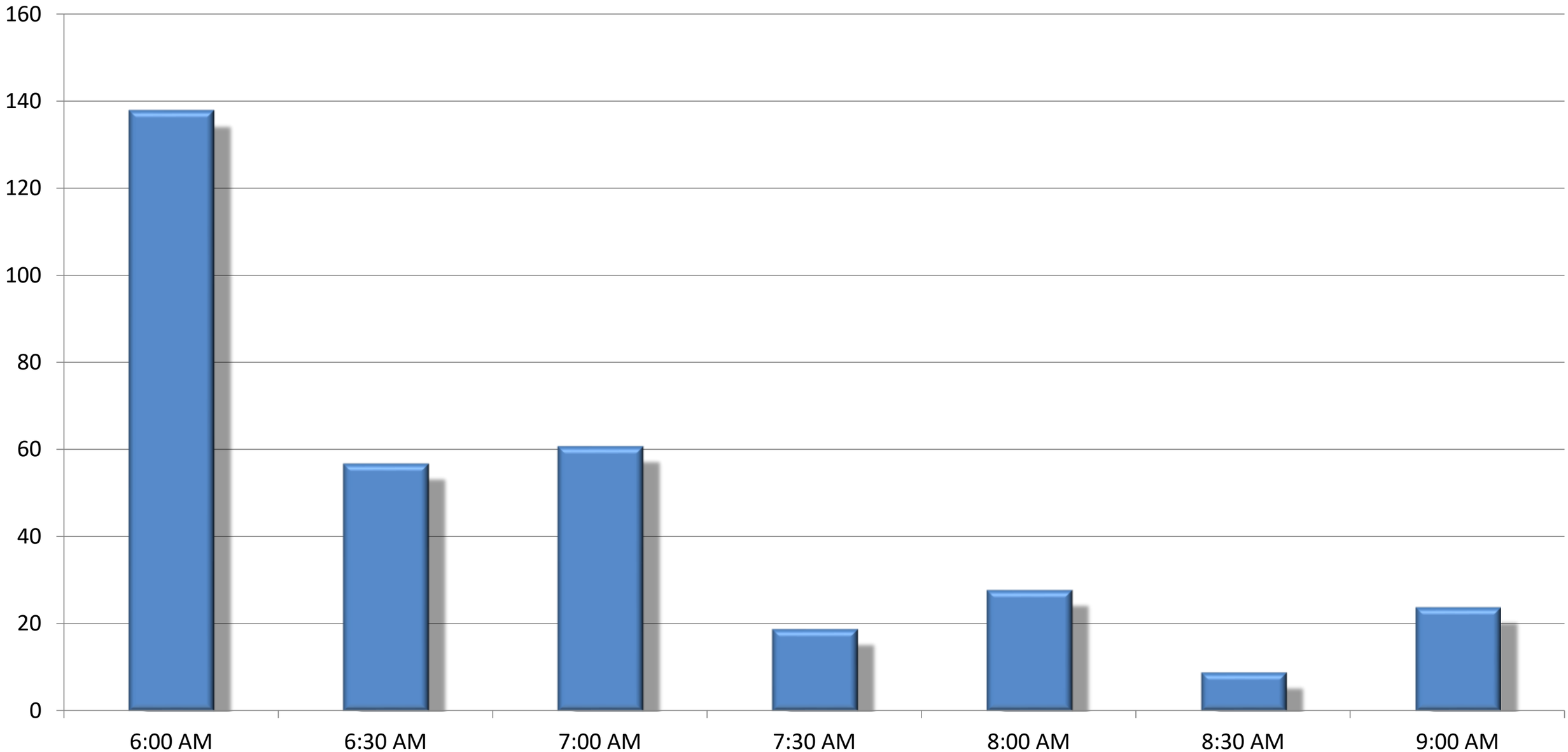
What is the earliest time you would come to the new Edgewood Rec Center ?



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Updated Field Design

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Advantages of Synthetic Turf:

1. **Increased playability and access:**
   - DPR's grass fields were closed over 150 days last year because of rain / wet fields. Synthetic field offers **3 times** as much playability with more recreation opportunities for people with disabilities and physical challenges
   - The opportunity to be active and participate in sports is critical for the fitness, mental health, self-esteem and leadership development our youth.
   - DPR will be purposeful about permitting. **Community time will be built in.**

2. **Safe playing surface:**
   - No more divots caused by play or holes from insects that burrow into the surface.
   - No more bare spots caused by over use.
   - Research has concluded that the injury risk of playing on artificial turf is no greater than playing on natural grass.

3. **Environmental awareness:**
   - It doesn't require fertilizer, pesticides, water, or gas-powered tools to thrive.
   - It serves as a bio-retention area. Water infiltrates as opposed to flowing into sewers.
   - One full-size synthetic sports field saves 500,000 to 1,000,000 gallons of water annually.

Permitting

Permits and Reservations

- DPR's Permits Office is open Monday - Friday, 9am to 5pm. Customers who wish to discuss any permit issues or have general questions concerning a permit, can schedule an appointment by calling (202) 671-2597 or emailing DPRpermits@dc.gov. New Office = 1275 First Street, NE.
- Visit DPR's permit website: www.dpr.dc.gov/permits

Next Steps

Oct -2019	• Facility completion • Final inspections • Phase 1 tree plantings
Nov -2019	• Soft opening • Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
Dec -2019	• Field and walking track construction continues
Jan -2020	• Field and track completion • Phase 2 tree plantings

Points of Contact

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Project Website

www.dgs.dc.gov/page/edgewood-recreation-center

Thank You!