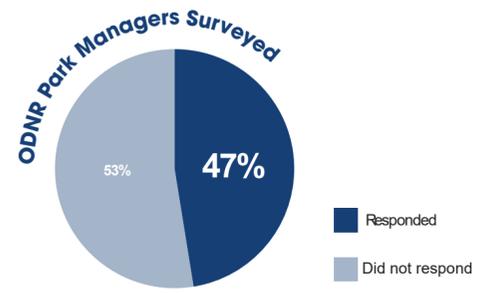


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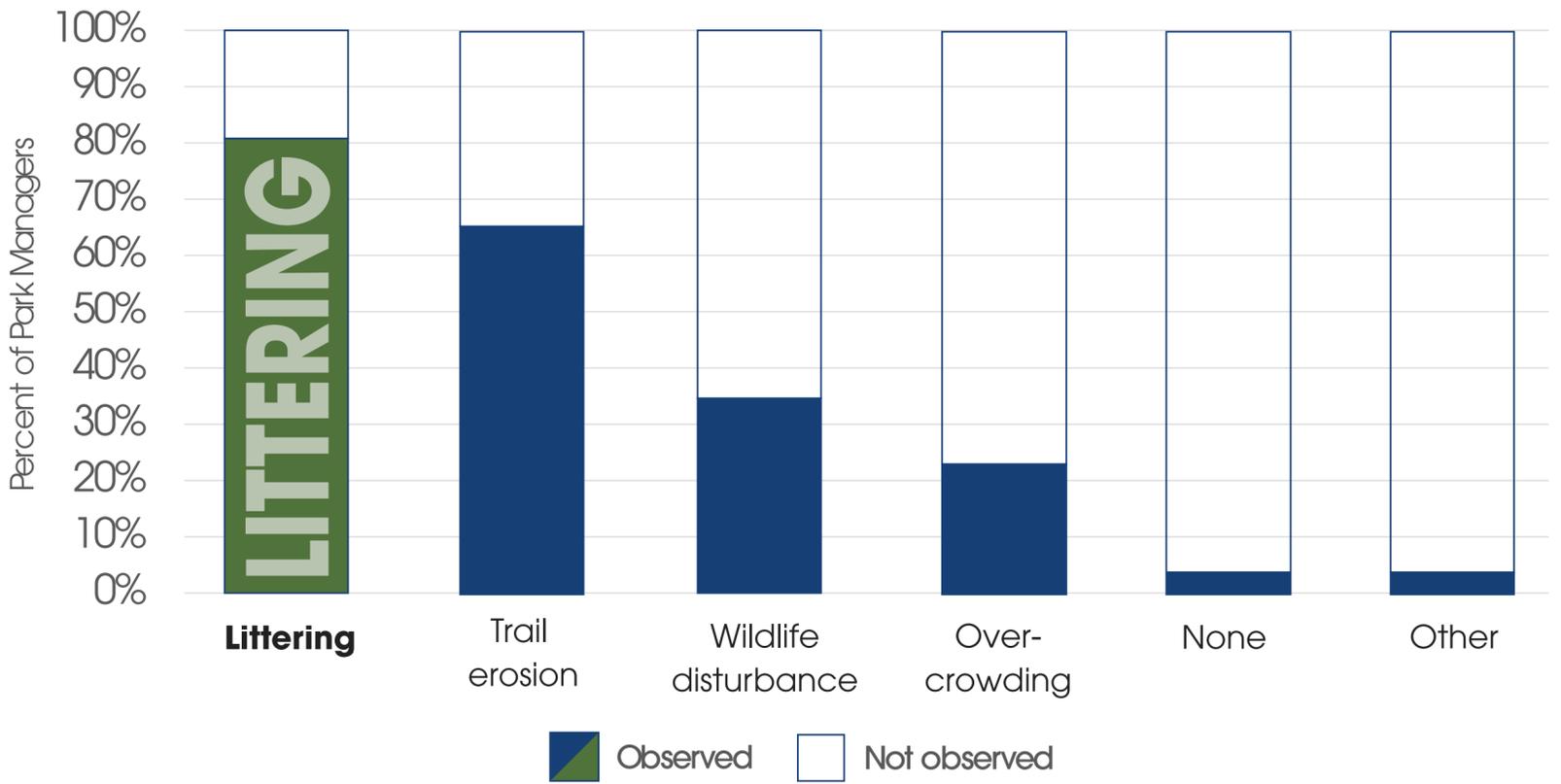
## According to Ohio State Park Managers in 2025

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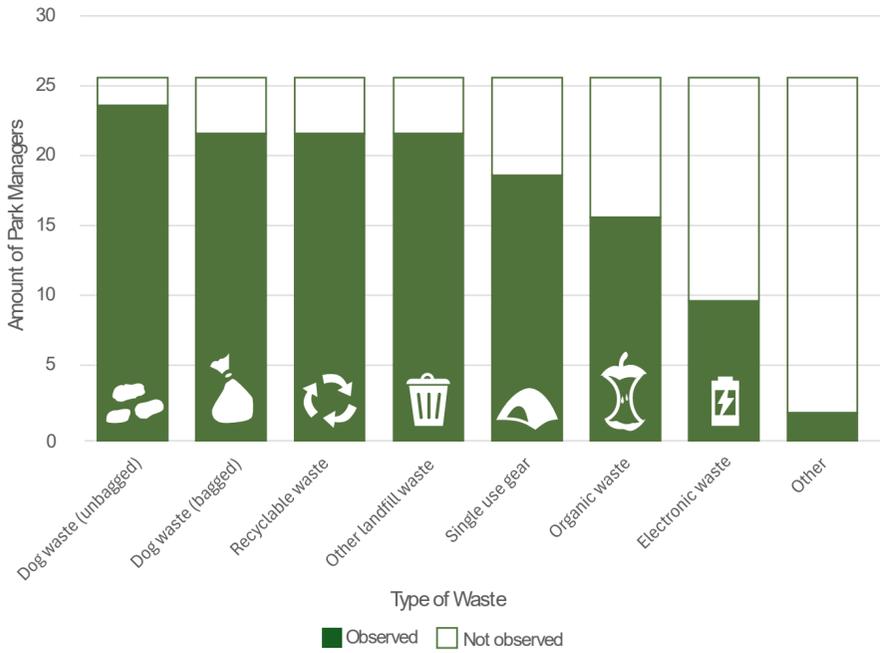
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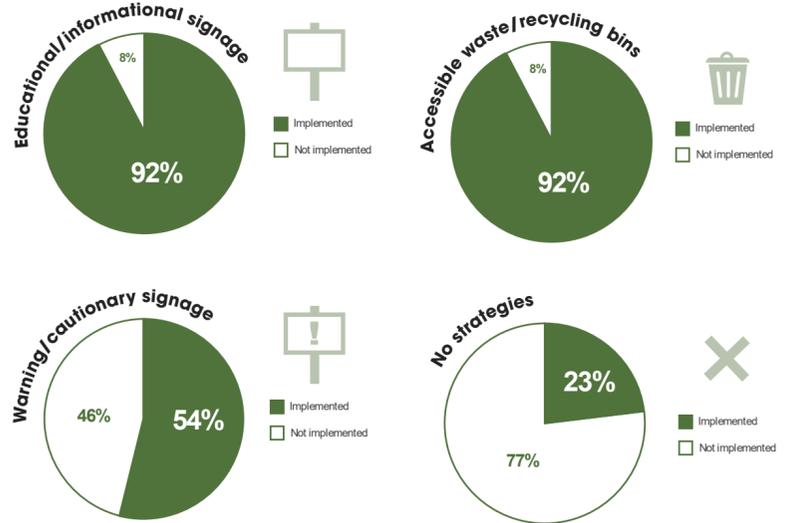
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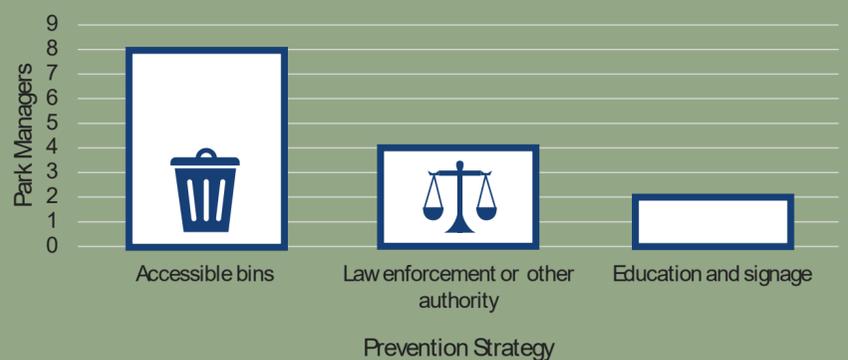
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### What do Ohio State Park Managers Want?



### What Ohio State Park Managers Say has Been Successful at Preventing Littering



This graph is based on analysis of voluntary responses to the open-ended question, "Are there any ideas or anything you'd like to see to improve management towards waste/recycling/littering?"

This graph is based on analysis of voluntary responses to the open-ended question, "If your strategies were successful, what was the strategy(s) and the benefits were you seeing?"