

# Senior Tennis Tournament Player Survey

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## Response Filters

Invitation Type: all

Status: all

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## 1. Which gender are you?

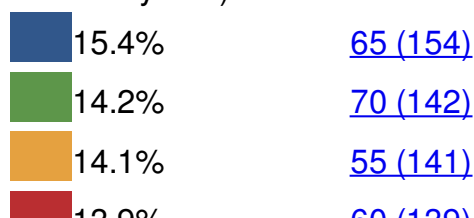


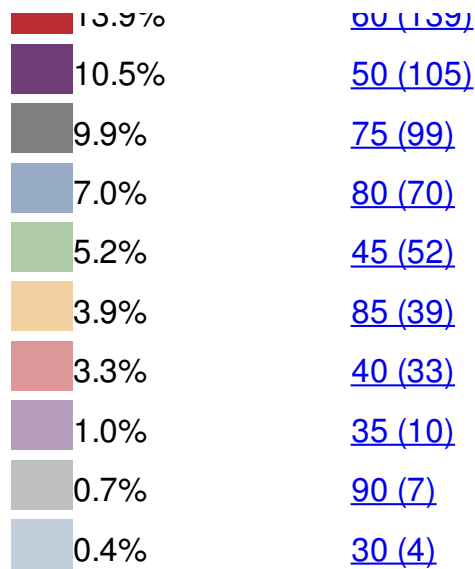
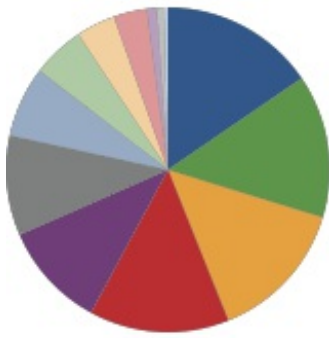
## 2. If you live in U.S. in which state do you reside? If you live outside the U.S. in what country do you reside?

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## 3. In which age group event do you participate? (Check only one)





4. USTA awards ranking points for a player's best of four tournaments in a year, with Category I National Championships receiving the most number of points and Local tournaments the least number of points. How many tournaments of each do you play a year?

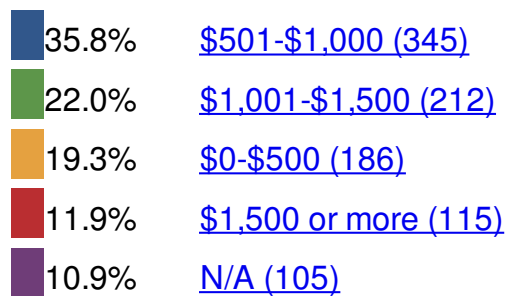
	0	1-4	5-8	9 or more
Category I	<a href="#">16.7 %</a>	<a href="#">81.6 %</a>	<a href="#">1.2 %</a>	<a href="#">0.3 %</a>
Category II	<a href="#">13.2 %</a>	<a href="#">84.9 %</a>	<a href="#">1.5 %</a>	<a href="#">0.2 %</a>
Sectional	<a href="#">24.1 %</a>	<a href="#">71.0 %</a>	<a href="#">4.2 %</a>	<a href="#">0.4 %</a>
Local	<a href="#">20.3 %</a>	<a href="#">65.4 %</a>	<a href="#">11.2 %</a>	<a href="#">3.0 %</a>

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5. How much do you spend on a National Tournament if there is no housing?



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6. How important are each of the following factors when deciding whether to play a tournament?

**Very Important**

**Somewhat Important**

**Not Important at all**

Location	<a href="#">74.7 %</a>	<a href="#">23.3 %</a>	<a href="#">1.8 %</a>
Competition	<a href="#">51.0 %</a>	<a href="#">41.6 %</a>	<a href="#">7.2 %</a>
Prize Money	<a href="#">11.5 %</a>	<a href="#">26.1 %</a>	<a href="#">62.3 %</a>
Well- run tournament	<a href="#">79.3 %</a>	<a href="#">19.4 %</a>	<a href="#">1.2 %</a>
Friends/Camaraderie	<a href="#">56.7 %</a>	<a href="#">35.6 %</a>	<a href="#">7.6 %</a>
USTA Ranking/Points	<a href="#">31.8 %</a>	<a href="#">47.9 %</a>	<a href="#">20.2 %</a>
Facility	<a href="#">55.3 %</a>	<a href="#">42.7 %</a>	<a href="#">1.9 %</a>
Consolation Rounds	<a href="#">53.0 %</a>	<a href="#">30.9 %</a>	<a href="#">16.0 %</a>
Chance for Gold, Silver or Bronze Ball	<a href="#">42.3 %</a>	<a href="#">32.5 %</a>	<a href="#">25.0 %</a>

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7. How important are each of the following tournament amenities?

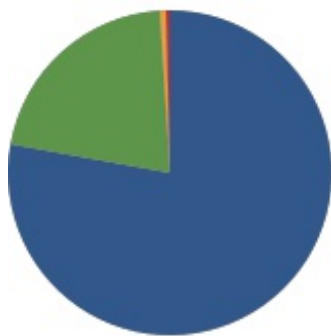
	<b>Very Important</b>	<b>Somewhat Important</b>	<b>Not Important at All</b>
Gift Bags	<a href="#">13.8 %</a>	<a href="#">45.6 %</a>	<a href="#">40.4 %</a>
Dinners	<a href="#">23.3 %</a>	<a href="#">46.2 %</a>	<a href="#">30.4 %</a>
Tournament Prizes (other than money)	<a href="#">15.7 %</a>	<a href="#">48.4 %</a>	<a href="#">35.7 %</a>
Prize money	<a href="#">14.3 %</a>	<a href="#">36.2 %</a>	<a href="#">49.4 %</a>
Housing	<a href="#">26.9 %</a>	<a href="#">36.3 %</a>	<a href="#">36.7 %</a>

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8. The USTA is currently evaluating different scoring formats for senior tournaments. When playing tournaments which of the following scoring formats do you prefer?



- [77.8% Regular 2 out of 3 sets \(755\)](#)
- [21.1% Tie-break in-lieu-of 3rd set \(205\)](#)
- [0.6% 8 game pro sets \(6\)](#)
- [0.4% View "Other" Answers](#) ["Other" Answers](#)

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9. If the scoring format was different from your preferred format, would you play in the tournament?



- 51.9% [Yes \(491\)](#)
- 29.6% [No \(280\)](#)
- 18.4% [View "Other" Answers](#) ["Other" Answers](#)

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10. Over the past 3-5 years, has participation in your event increased or decreased?



- 45.2% [It has decreased \(427\)](#)
- 32.4% [It has remained the same \(306\)](#)
- 15.5% [It has increased \(147\)](#)
- 6.7% [View "Other" Answers](#) ["Other" Answers](#)

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11. If participation has INCREASED, please provide possible reasons in box below.

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12. If participation has DECREASED, please provide possible reasons in box below.

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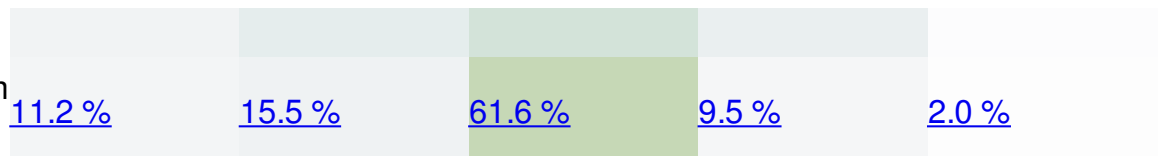
13. How satisfied are you with each of the following as it relates to tournament play:

	Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neither Satisfied nor Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Very Satisfied
USTA website	<a href="#">9.0 %</a>	<a href="#">16.3 %</a>	<a href="#">29.5 %</a>	<a href="#">38.5 %</a>	<a href="#">6.5 %</a>
Tennis Link	<a href="#">7.2 %</a>	<a href="#">14.8 %</a>	<a href="#">30.9 %</a>	<a href="#">39.6 %</a>	<a href="#">7.3 %</a>
How well the USTA promotes	<a href="#">13.6 %</a>	<a href="#">24.2 %</a>	<a href="#">39.5 %</a>	<a href="#">19.7 %</a>	<a href="#">2.7 %</a>

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**14.** Would you play in national caliber tournaments that were not sanctioned by the USTA?



59.5% [Yes \(560\)](#)

29.3% [No \(276\)](#)

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**15.** Currently, there is a national senior women's tennis association and a national senior men's tennis organization which serve as voices for senior tennis. If you are not a member of either would you be interested in either receiving more information or potentially joining one of these organizations?



59.4% [Yes \(478\)](#)

23.1% [No \(186\)](#)

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**16.** What suggestions do you have to help increase participation in senior tennis tournaments?

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