

Streets and Roads

The *maintenance of streets and roads* was assessed using a same 9-point grading scale from very poor (1) to excellent (9). The results were virtually unchanged from 2008 (Table 7). This year the mean decreased very slightly from 6.61 to 6.58 with the grade remaining a C-. There were higher percentages in the “excellent” category (13.8%) this year. This continues to be one area the Town earns its lowest overall grades. However, streets and roads can be a challenging area for any municipality in a growth pattern to earn higher marks.

Table 7. How Well Cary Maintains Streets and Roads.

Year	Mean	Very Poor 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Excellent 9	Grade
10	6.58	2.5	2.0	2.8	7.0	12.3	10.1	27.1	22.4	13.8	C-
08	6.61	1.7	2.0	2.7	4.0	14.8	11.4	30.1	22.0	11.4	C-
06	6.55	2.0	0.7	3.7	4.5	16.9	12.9	27.0	19.4	12.9	C-
04	6.66	1.7	2.7	3.5	3.0	11.4	13.7	28.1	22.1	13.7	C
02	6.72	1.7	0.7	1.7	4.7	13.5	10.3	35.4	19.7	12.3	C
00	6.50	3.0	1.5	2.2	4.0	15.2	11.5	32.4	22.4	7.7	C-
98	6.04	2.2	2.7	4.7	9.0	15.5	17.7	27.9	15.0	5.2	D+

Streets and Roads Needing Attention

The respondents who rated the streets and roads below 5 were asked to name specific streets/roads that need more attention and the problem(s). In this case, the problem cited for most of the areas was potholes. The streets/roads mentioned most often were Kildaire Farm Road (34 times), Maynard Road (23 times), Cary Parkway (11 times), and High House Road (6 times). Other streets/roads mentioned to a lesser degree were Chatham Street (3 times), Evans Road (3 times), and Walnut Street (3 times). All the streets/roads mentioned and their problems are listed in Appendix D.

Streets and Roads Crosstabulations

The crosstabulations for streets and roads were performed on age, housing type, income, race, and years in Cary (Tables B43-B47). The grades for *maintenance of streets and roads* were mostly in the C range across subgroups. The lowest marks were given by 56-65 age group (D), \$30,001-\$50,000 income level (D), over 65 age group (D+), \$20,001-\$30,000 income level (D+), over 10 year residents (D+), and apartment dwellers (D+). One pattern that is evident is the older residents and the longer tenured residents had the most concerns about the maintenance of streets and road.

