

Report #3: Results through Wave 6 (November 9-13)

DCBID is conducting a multi-wave survey to track sentiments about the pandemic and Downtown LA in an effort to help guide recovery efforts.

WORKING FROM HOME

60%

due to the pandemic

EAT AT A RESTAURANT

50%

willing to do so without hesitation

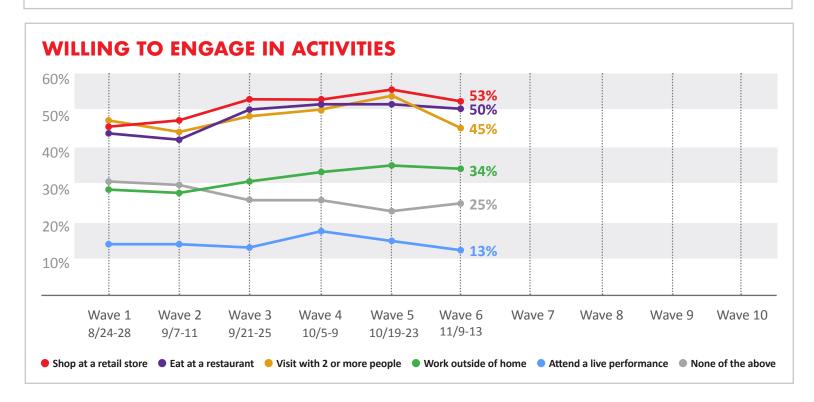
FUTURE OF DTLA

59%

say they are optimistic

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- Shifting Concerns: The impact of economic shutdowns was less of a concern (66% ▼9), while the potential to contract COVID-19 rose to become the top concern (78% ▲13). This may reflect the impact of rising case counts in the short term coupled with a more hopeful long-term outlook due to positive vaccine news.
- Management and Communication: Although a majority (63%) still say they are getting mixed messages from media and government, this is substantially lower than prior waves, while sentiments on local handling of the pandemic also improved.
- **DTLA Optimism Returns:** After dipping for several waves, and potentially buoyed by a lack of post-election disruptions, almost half (48%) of Downtowners say DTLA is moving in the right direction, a nine-point jump.



METHODOLOGY: Audience recruited from targeted email list and Facebook ad campaigns. Each wave includes at least 300 responses collected over five days every two weeks.

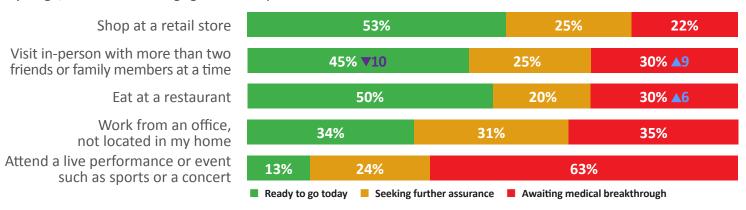






ACTIVITY WILLINGNESS BREAKDOWN

Participants indicated their degree of willingness to engage in certain activities. While a significant percentage are ready to go, some will not engage until the pandemic is over.



SENTIMENTS



Working from home

78% ▲**7** say they are willing to continue working from home after the pandemic.

45% are eager to return to their place of work (**48%** of DTLA workers).



Managing the pandemic

63% ▼13 feel they are getting mixed messages from media and government (**56% ▼12** of DTLA residents).

61% ▲5 say their local area is doing a well responding to COVID-19 (**60%** ▲18 of DTLA residents).



Looking ahead

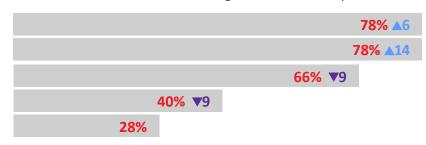
34% ▼6 say they will shop less frequently at retail stores after the pandemic.

65% expect to continue living in their current neighborhood (55% △6 of DTLA residents).

CONCERNS

Societal concerns outweigh personal ones, but a significant number worried about contracting COVID-19. The top concerns:

Overall health crisis from COVID-19
Potential for me or a loved one to contract COVID-19
Impact of COVID-19 related shutdowns
Long-term financial situation
Losing my job or being furloughed



DTLA

Despite the pandemic, Downtowners remain committed and optimistic about the area's future.

