## WSSL 2020 Membership Survey

57 responses



Which of these age groups will you fall into on April 1, 2021?

56 out of 57 answered

L	65 to 69	37.5% / 21 resp.
<u>)</u>	55 to 59	<b>21.4%</b> / 12 resp.
3	70 to 74	<b>16.1%</b> / 9 resp.
1	60 to 64	12.5% / 7 resp.
5	75 and over	7.1% / 4 resp.
õ	Under 55	<b>5.4%</b> / 3 resp.

Which of these choices best describes your atttitude toward playing senior softball?

**57** out of 57 answered

second.	40.4% / 23
I favor emphasizing competition first and	the social experience
second.	36.8% / 21
I favor a strong emphasis on a relaxed ath	letic and social experience. 21.1% / 12

Which of these factors detracted from your softball experience this year?

**57** out of 57 answered

Injuries or physical limitations	<b>36.8%</b> / 21 resp
None of the above	<b>36.8%</b> / 21 resp
On-field COVID-19 restrictions	<b>19.3%</b> / 11 res
Not getting to play in the field enough	<b>14.0%</b> / 8 res
Not getting to play preferred position(s)	12.3% / 7 res
Playing in July and August	12.3% / 7 res
Not getting to run the bases enough	<b>10.5%</b> / 6 resp

Which of these describes your feelings about how substitute running worked in 2020?

**57** out of 57 answered

Worked fairly well but need	s minor adjustment.	<b>45.6%</b> / 26 resp
Teams abused the intent of	the rules occasionally.	<b>21.1%</b> / 12 res
Teams abused the intent of	the rules too often.	19.3% / 11 resp
Worked very well; no chang	es needed.	<b>14.0%</b> / 8 resp

Select all of the statements below about substitute running that you agree with.

**57** out of 57 answered

Only injured players or those with highly limited mobility should be	
allowed to have substitute runners.	71.9% / 41 resp
Players should be allowed to run the bases if they wish, even if they're	
slow runners.	66.7% / 38 res
The need for substitute runners should be declared before game time.	<b>61.4%</b> / 35 res
Managers should be allowed one or more substitute runners for	
competitive reasons.	19.3% / 11 res
The rules for substitute runners are too complicated.	17.5% / 10 res

For 2021, which of these approaches to forming the teams do you favor?

**57** out of 57 answered

If we need to form a fifth team, take some players from existing team	ms. 40.4% <sub>/ 23</sub>
Make some strategic trades, trying to achieve better balance.	40.4% / 23
If we need to form a fifth team, draft all new teams from scratch.	38.6% / 22
Keep the teams largely as they are.	35.1% / 20
Make a lot of trades so we get to play with new people.	15.8% / 9

We hope to expand our corps of umpires for the 2021 season. Which of these describe your thoughts about umpiring?

**57** out of 57 answered

The quality of umpiring in 2020 was adequate.	82.5% / 47
Two umpires should be the minimum for every game.	<b>47.4%</b> <sub>/ 27</sub>
I don't ever want to be an umpire.	21.1% / 12
I haven't yet served as an umpire, but I'm willing to help the league in 2021.	21.1% / 12
I did some umpiring in 2020 and will continue in 2021.	19.3% / 11
I'd like to attend an umpire clinic, if offered again.	15.8% / 9
I might be willing to umpire in the future, but probably not in 2021.	14.0% / 8
Umpires missed too many calls in 2020.	1.8% / 1

How would you rate your overall experience with the league in 2020 and your intentions going forward? 57 out of 57 answered

<b>78.9%</b> / 45 resp
<b>19.3%</b> / 11 resp
1.8% / 1 resp
<b>0.0%</b> / 0 resp

In the future (2021 or later), we might create two divisions: a more competitive one for primarily younger players, and a more "relaxed" one for older players and those with physical limitations. Choose all the statements below you agree with.

57 out of 57 answered

I'd prefer to keep the status quo (one league, no divisions).	<b>45.6%</b> / 26
I'm fine with any arrangement the league chooses.	43.9% / 25
Even though I'm older, I'd prefer to play in the more competitive division.	35.1% / 20
I support two divisions, but only if mine has at least four teams.	19.3% / 11
I support two divisions, but only if mine has at least three teams.	17.5% / 10
I support two divisions, even if mine has only two teams.	<b>3.5</b> % / 2