



## Constant Contact Survey Results

**Survey Name:** NTEP Customer Survey

**Response Status:** Partial & Completed

**Filter:** None

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NTEP desires more involvement with our customers and clientele. Therefore, in order to better serve our customers, we ask that you complete this short survey. This information will be extremely helpful to us in developing better programs and services.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact Kevin Morris, Executive Director at 301-504-5125 or send an email ([kmorris@ntep.org](mailto:kmorris@ntep.org)).

If you would like the results of this survey or want us to keep in better contact with you, please provide your email in question 8. NTEP does not sell or distribute its contact lists to others.

Thanks for your input!

What is your occupation or interest with turfgrass cultivars? (choose one)

Answer	0%	100%	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Turfgrass plant breeder			18	7.2 %
Researcher/scientist			40	16.1 %
Seed distributor, marketer or retailer			24	9.6 %
University extension educator			11	4.4 %
Turf industry technical representative			8	3.2 %
Private consultant/agronomist			7	2.8 %
Grass seed producer			8	3.2 %
Sod producer			7	2.8 %
Golf course superintendent			6	2.4 %
Golf course builder or architect			1	<1 %
Golf course or Club manager/Owner			0	0.0 %
Park/Grounds manager			5	2.0 %
Sports turf manager			12	4.8 %
Athletic field/parks/grounds construction			2	<1 %
Lawn care service operator			3	1.2 %
Landscape contractor			1	<1 %
Landscape architect			0	0.0 %
Roadside/Vegetation manager			0	0.0 %
Master gardener			0	0.0 %
Homeowner			76	30.6 %
Other			18	7.2 %
No Response(s)			1	<1 %
<b>Totals</b>		<b>248</b>	<b>100%</b>	

Why do you visit/have you visited the NTEP web site? (Choose all that apply)

Answer	0%	100%	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Identify the best turfgrass cultivar(s) for my location		100%	177	71.6 %
Compare several turfgrass cultivars for many traits			152	61.5 %
Identify turfgrass cultivars that are the most beautiful (i.e. high density, best color, etc.)			89	36.0 %
Determine the best turfgrass cultivar for a specific use (i.e. golf course, athletic field, home lawn, etc.)			132	53.4 %
Determine the best turfgrass cultivar for specific problem (i.e. drought, a disease, cold, heat, insects, etc.)			130	52.6 %
Identify the best turfgrass cultivar(s) so I can reduce or eliminate pesticide/water/fertilizer use			70	28.3 %
Prepare sales information for my cultivar(s)			45	18.2 %
Determine which cultivar(s) I want to purchase for resale to my customers			23	9.3 %
Develop a contract/bid specification, guidelines or recommendations with appropriate turfgrass cultivars			19	7.6 %
Other			13	5.2 %
<b>Totals</b>		<b>247</b>	<b>100%</b>	

What turfgrass characteristics are most important to you? (Choose up to five)

Answer	0%	100%	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Highest turfgrass quality			162	65.8 %
Darkest/best color			80	32.5 %
Finest leaf texture			30	12.1 %
High density			91	36.9 %
Tolerance of close mowing (1 inch or less)			31	12.6 %
Reduced mowing requirement			51	20.7 %
Best overall disease resistance			114	46.3 %
Specific disease resistance (please describe below)			34	13.8 %
Best overall insect resistance			38	15.4 %
Specific insect resistance (please describe below)			8	3.2 %
Resists weed invasion better			70	28.4 %
Fastest/easiest establishment from seed, springs or plugs			61	24.7 %
Faster sod production/establishment from sod			15	6.0 %
Better establishment under harsh soil or weather conditions			43	17.4 %
Staying green during drought conditions			93	37.8 %
Surviving drought conditions (turf may turn brown but greens up with rain)			84	34.1 %
Tolerance of salty soils or irrigation water			41	16.6 %
Traffic tolerance (children, pets, athletic events, etc.)			106	43.0 %
Tolerance of compacted soils			41	16.6 %
Fast recovery from traffic, disease or other damage			74	30.0 %
Other			14	5.6 %
<b>Totals</b>		<b>246</b>	<b>100%</b>	

NTEP currently publishes data from its various test locations in tables on its web site. NTEP does not interpret that data and has never made cultivar recommendations. What can NTEP change to make its information more useful? (choose all that apply)

Answer	0%	100%	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Nothing - keep the data tables as they are		100%	47	19.8 %
Organize the data on the web site so it is easier to find specific data (i.e. drought, specific diseases, etc.)		100%	96	40.5 %
Develop categories/rankings of performance (i.e. 5 stars for a top cultivar, best etc.)		100%	60	25.3 %
Develop a brand that could be used to identify and market top performing cultivars		100%	26	10.9 %
Develop a database that a user can sort to produce a report of desired characteristics or compare desired cultivars		100%	131	55.2 %
Keep the current data tables but also utilize some of the above suggestions		100%	84	35.4 %
Eliminate the current tables of data and start over with a new system		100%	3	1.2 %
Other		100%	14	5.9 %
<b>Totals</b>		<b>237</b>	<b>100%</b>	

NTEP is considering the development of a web-based database that could be searched online. Custom turfgrass cultivar reports would be generated from information you select and available for immediate access. Would you be interested in this service?

Answer	0%	100%	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Yes I would pay US\$9.95 to generate a customized report of information I select		100%	20	8.0 %
Yes, but I would prefer to pay an annual fee for unlimited use of this service		100%	43	17.3 %
Perhaps, depending on the usefulness of the service		100%	110	44.3 %
No, I would not pay for this service		100%	69	27.8 %
No Response(s)		100%	6	2.4 %
<b>Totals</b>		<b>248</b>	<b>100%</b>	

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What are other suggestions you have on how NTEP can improve its data, how the data is presented on its web site and CD, etc? (please describe)

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55 Response(s)

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Any other suggestions for NTEP, how it can improve its performance and services, new programs it may develop, etc.? (please describe)

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36 Response(s)

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Please enter the information indicated below.

<b>Answers</b>	<b>Number of Response(s)</b>
Email Address	214
Postal Code	220
Country	225