**RADIO GROWS** SITE TRAFFIC **FOR LAWN AND GARDEN** 





## **Lawn and Garden**

- During lockdowns, people turned to gardening for various reasons
  - 54% wanted to stay busy
  - 49% felt a sense of accomplishment
  - 48% said it reduced stress
  - 33% stated it provided them with fresh food
- 55% of adults spent time outdoors to care for their gardens, lawns, etc.
  - 33% were already growing plants pre-pandemic
  - 22% started gardening
- Americans also began to grow food
  - 20 million first-time gardeners planted a vegetable garden for the first time
- 67% of adults planned to grow edible plants including vegetables, herbs and fruit





Source: Scotts Miracle-Gro Survey, 2020; Bonnie Plants 2021

# Gardening – A Trend That's Here to Stay

- 84% of homeowners felt successful with their gardening in 2021
  - 90% of millennials felt their efforts were successful
    - A signal of potential long-term growth
- Reasons for interest in gardening
  - Lowering stress
  - Spending time with family outdoors
  - Create a sense of health and well-being
- 62% of adults stated that they will be planting more in 2022
  - 76% of millennials will be planting more
  - 68% of Gen X will be planting more



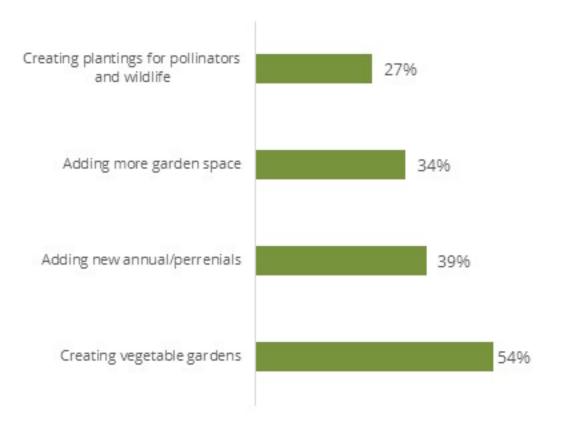
# Gardening – A Trend That's Here to Stay

- 44% of gardeners will spend more time gardening
- 68% of gardeners will spend the same amount of money on gardening as they did in 2021
  - 28% will spend more
- Independent garden centers/nurseries rank highest (21.9%) for where to learn about new plants, gardening supplies and outdoor living products
  - Big-box retailers rank second (18.1%) followed by websites (14.2%)

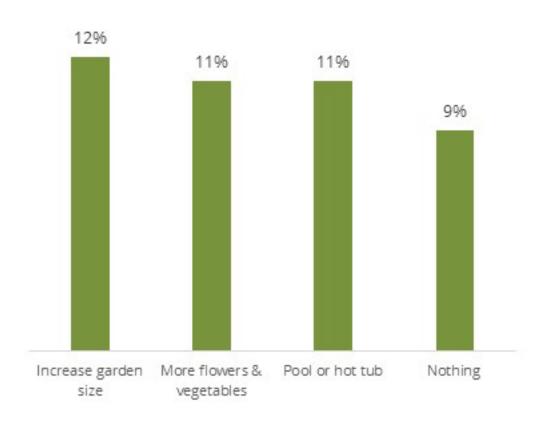


## **What Will Their Garden Grow**

What types of gardening projects are you likely to complete during 2022?



If money was no object, what gardening or outdoor living project would you do?





# RADIO REACHES LAWN AND GARDEN SHOPPERS

### **Total Population**

- 88% plan to landscape this year
- 85% have done any gardening this year
- 84% have shopped at any hardware/lawn/garden store

#### **African Americans**

- 91% plan to landscape this year
- 87% have done any gardening this year
- 86% have shopped at any hardware/lawn/garden store

### **Hispanics**

- 82% plan to landscape this year
- 86% have done any gardening this year
- 85% have shopped at any hardware/lawn/garden store



## **BACKGROUND DATA**

Jan 2021 - Dec 2021 92,800 Radio Ads 105 Advertisers 25.98M Total Sessions





#### SITE TRAFFIC GROWTH FROM RADIO

Radio campaigns spike traffic as consumers develop their green thumbs.

92,800 radio ads	JAN – DEC 2021
Increased visitor lift average	4%
New site Visits per Airing <sup>™</sup>	4.0
Total new site users from ads	370.9K
On-air vs. Off-air traffic	21% inc. new users





# Radio Drove Higher Web Traffic From New Users on Thursdays

Uptick in site activity continued during weekends.



■ New Users/Visitors





#### MIDDAY DRIVES GREATEST VISITS PER AIRING™

VPA™ - AVERAGE NUMBER OF NEW USER RESPONDING PER AD SPOT



Midday (10 a.m. - 3 p.m.) Highest number of new *visits* per airing



Afternoon (3 p.m. - 7 p.m.) 91% of Midday



Evening (7 p.m. - 12 a.m.) Delivered half new users as Midday

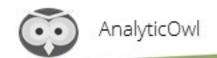


Morning (6 a.m. - 10 a.m.) Comparable new *visits* as Evening



(12 a.m. - 6 a.m.) Delivered 4,500 new users

Insight: While Midday and Afternoon have greatest influence on site traffic, activity from Evening daypart is significant and should be maximized.





#### From Bud to Bloom Radio Grows Site Traffic for Lawn and Garden Retailers

- Throughout 2020, people turned to gardening to help reduce stress, spend time with family, etc.
- Adults felt successful with their gardening efforts, especially millennials
- Gardening is a trend that is here to stay with adults stating that they will continue with this hobby and spend about the same or more time and/or money doing it
- Vegetables, followed by flowers, are what most gardens will consist of in 2022
- Many gardeners will increase their garden size



#### From Bud to Bloom Radio Grows Site Traffic for Lawn and Garden Retailers

- Radio reaches 82%+ of adults that plan on landscaping, gardening or shopping at a lawn and garden retailer
- Radio boosts site traffic for landscaping/lawn and garden by 4%
- Radio influences consumer behavior
  - 21% increase in new users when radio ads were on air versus off air
- In an analysis of over 92,000 radio ads:
  - Thursday experienced the highest lift in site traffic followed by Saturday Midday generates the highest number of new visits per airing

  - Evening is effective at increasing site traffic as people are home and discover new garden products

