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## Is Clermont County, Ohio a Livable Community?

AARP defines a livable community as one that allows people to maintain their independence and quality of life as they age and retire. Specific aspects of a livable community include adequate mobility options; supportive community features and services that allow residents to maintain their independence and enjoy an engaging civic and social life; and affordable and appropriate housing.<sup>1</sup>

The Boomer Generation<sup>2</sup> has clearly stated they overwhelmingly prefer to remain living independently in their homes for as long as they can – in Clermont County, 88 percent of them say it is extremely, very, or somewhat important to stay in their current residence for as long as possible.

The preference of most Boomers to “age in place” will necessitate accommodations in Ohio and throughout the nation. Since the oldest Boomers are already in their early 60s, communities have begun to consider how housing, mobility, community-based care, and other needs will become more significant in the near future and well into the middle of this century.

Ohio currently has the sixth largest population age 60 and over in the nation, and Clermont County is among the top five counties statewide in the rate of growth among older individuals. Ohio's 60+ population will increase by 44 percent by 2020.<sup>3</sup>

To help the Clermont community better understand the issues the county and its residents will face as the Boomer Generation ages, AARP's Ohio State Office commissioned a telephone survey of the general population age 45 years and older who live in Clermont County. This research was completed to identify priorities and help understand perceptions of residents. Sixty-three percent of this feedback is from residents traditionally defined as Boomers those currently 45 to 61 years old; 37 percent of respondents fall outside of that definition.

On average, Clermont County residents age 45+ have lived in their community nearly two decades – the median length of residency in Clermont County is 19 years. Overall, Clermont County residents are rooted in their community, satisfied with it, and think it is a good place for people approaching retirement. However, Baby Boomers are less likely to rate their community as an excellent place for people approaching retirement than are non-Boomers. Residents would also like to stay in their community for as long as possible, in other words, age in place. Clermont County residents are in frequent contact with their friends, family, and neighbors regardless of their age.

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<sup>1</sup>AARP Public Policy, 2005. *Livable Communities: An Evaluation Guide*. AARP, Washington, DC.

<sup>2</sup>Baby Boomers are classified as people born in 1946 through 1964. However, for this study, the youngest Baby Boomers were not included – those people who were 43 and 44 years of age. The age of Baby Boomers in this study is 45 to 61 years. The age of non-Boomers is 62 years and older. In this report, references to residents are respondents 45 years and older.

<sup>3</sup>Profile and Projections of Ohio's 60+ Population: A State Study, 2004. S.A. Mehdizadeh, W.B.Ciferri, S.P. Roman, V. Wellin, P.N. Ritchey, S.R. Kunkel. <http://www.scripps.muohio.edu/research/reports/profileandprojections.html>.

However, two in three residents in Clermont County age 45+ say that limited or unavailable public transportation is a problem in their community. In fact, three in four Boomers identified public transportation as a problem. More than one-half of residents also identified streets that need repair, streets that are too dark, and not enough places to safely bike or walk as problems.

Clermont County residents have also identified the following gaps in their community:

- Dependable public transportation
- Legal support services
- Sidewalks going where you want
- Respite care

In addition, at least four in ten Clermont County residents age 45+ are also unaware that the following services exist in their community:

- Legal support services
- Respite care
- Health monitoring services
- Utility bill assistance

About two in ten residents believe they will need to move out of their current residence within the next ten years. Residents say they will need to move due to their health, inability to maintain the upkeep on their home, or to downsize.

When they need to go somewhere, most Clermont County residents 45+ drive themselves. However, six in ten say that it would be difficult to live in their current neighborhood if they lost the ability to drive. And nearly one-half say they would need to re-locate if they lost the ability to drive.

About one-quarter of residents who are not retired say they are very optimistic when they think about their retirement years. However, three in ten are not too or not at all optimistic. Non-Boomers are twice as likely to say they are very optimistic than are Baby Boomers.

While Clermont County has many components of a livable community, the survey shows that Clermont County needs to address its problem areas to make this county a great livable community that meets the needs of all its residents as they age.

Throughout 2007 and 2008, AARP Ohio is working collaboratively with Clermont Senior Services to assist the community to effectively plan for change. Clermont Senior Services has been a leader and model in Ohio for more than 35 years in planning and providing for the needs of older citizens. Through the work of an advisory panel organized by Clermont Senior Services, comprised primarily of boomer-aged residents, a series of priorities and strategies will be considered.

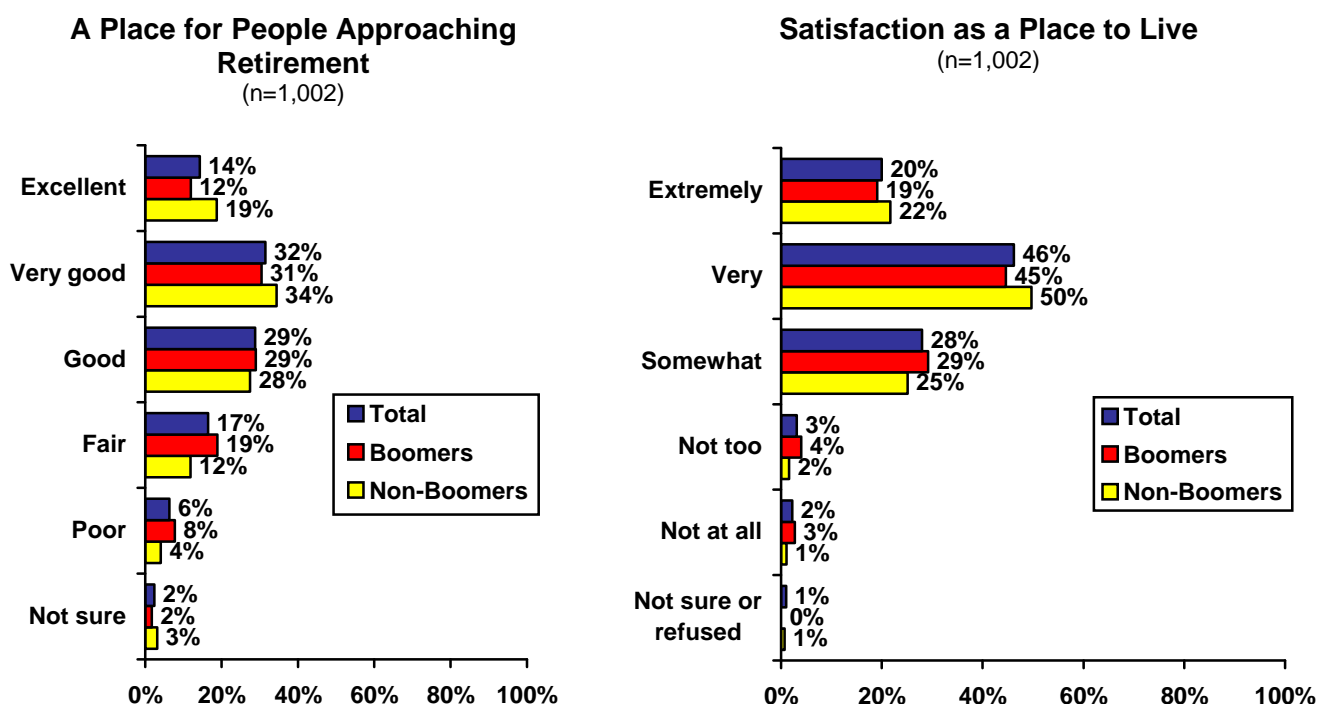
# SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

## Satisfaction with Community

**Clermont County residents are rooted in their community, are satisfied with it, and think it is a good place for people approaching retirement.**

Clermont County residents have developed roots in their community – among its residents age 45+, the average length of time they have lived in Clermont County is 19 years (median). Baby Boomers, however, on average have lived there for fewer years than non-Boomers – 16 years vs. 25 years (median).

Nearly all residents (94%) say they are satisfied with their community as a place to live, and three in four residents (75%) rate their community as excellent, very good, or good as a place for people approaching retirement. Baby Boomers are less likely to rate their community as excellent than non-Boomers. In fact, over one-quarter of Boomers rate their community as fair or poor (27%) as a place for people approaching retirement.



Not only do residents age 45+ like their community, they plan to stay there. Six in ten residents (59%) say it is extremely or very important for them to remain in their community for as long as possible. However, remaining in their community is more important to non-Boomers (73%) than Boomers (52%).

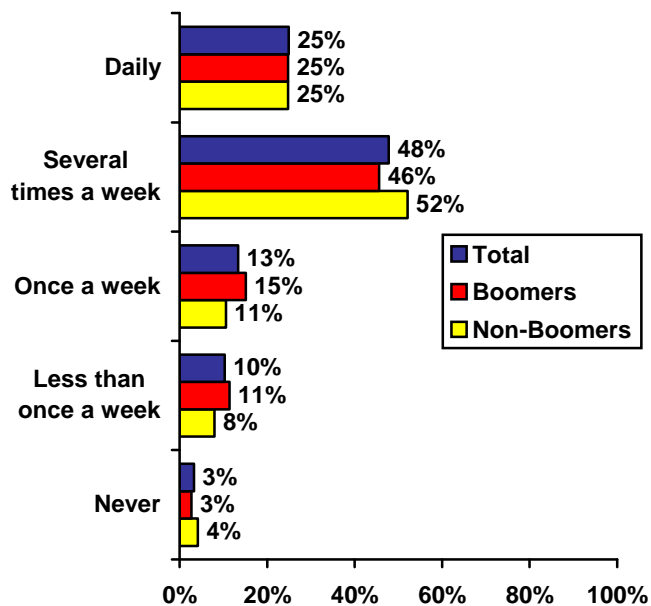
## Contact with Others

**Clermont County residents are in frequent contact with their friends, family, and neighbors, and frequently get out of their homes.**

One-quarter of Clermont County residents say they see and visit with friends and family outside of their home or with their neighbors every day. And more than four in ten see and visit with family and friends two or more times per week. This frequency is similar for both Baby Boomers and non-Boomers.

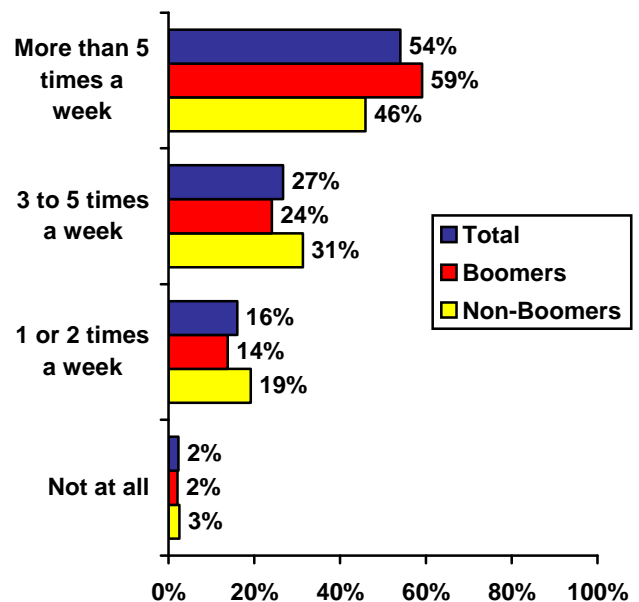
**Physical Contact with Family, Friends, and Neighbors**

(n=1,002)



**How Often Clermont County Residents Get Out of Their Homes**

(n=1,002)



Boomers in Clermont County get out of their homes more often than non-Boomers to shop, visit, or exercise. Six in ten Boomers get out of their homes and go somewhere at least six times a week. However, nearly all Clermont County residents age 45+ get out of their homes at least once or twice per week.

## Problems in Community

### Two in three residents say that limited public transportation is a problem in Clermont County.

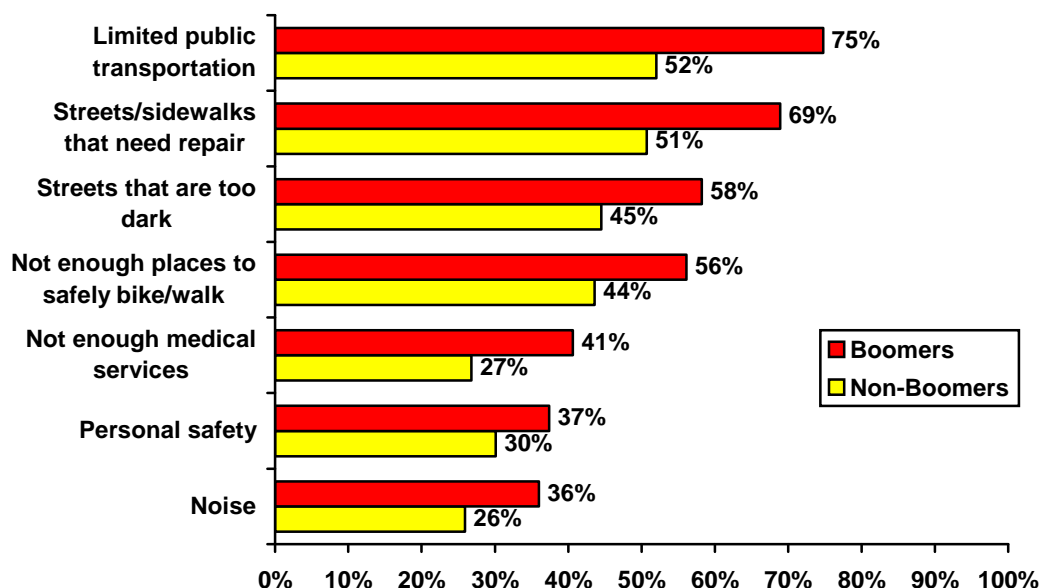
Accessible and dependable public transportation that allows for pedestrian travel is a basic mobility characteristic of a livable community. Many Clermont County residents age 45+ identify public transportation that is too far away, too limited, or not available as a problem.

Community Problems (n=1,002)	Not a Problem	Big Problem	Small Problem	Not Sure
Public transportation that is too limited	27%	40%	26%	6%
Streets/sidewalks that need repair	36%	22%	40%	1%
Streets that are too dark	44%	23%	31%	2%
Not enough places to safely bike or walk	48%	30%	22%	1%
Not enough medical services	61%	14%	22%	3%
Personal safety	64%	7%	29%	1%
Noise	68%	7%	25%	0%

The majority of Clermont County residents age 45+ also identify streets and sidewalks that need repair or don't exist, streets that are too dark, and not enough places to safely bike or walk as problems.

Across the board, Baby Boomers are more likely to identify the seven surveyed areas as problems than are non-Baby Boomers. However, the majority of Clermont County residents say medical services, personal safety, and noise are not problems.

**Big and Small Community Problems as Viewed by Clermont County Boomers and Non-Boomers**  
(n=1,002)





## Community Characteristics and Services

### **A safe neighborhood is the most important community characteristic for Clermont County residents age 45+.**

Nearly one-half of Clermont County residents identified safe neighborhoods as extremely important from our survey list of fifteen community characteristics. One-third also says that transportation services for seniors and people with disabilities are extremely important.

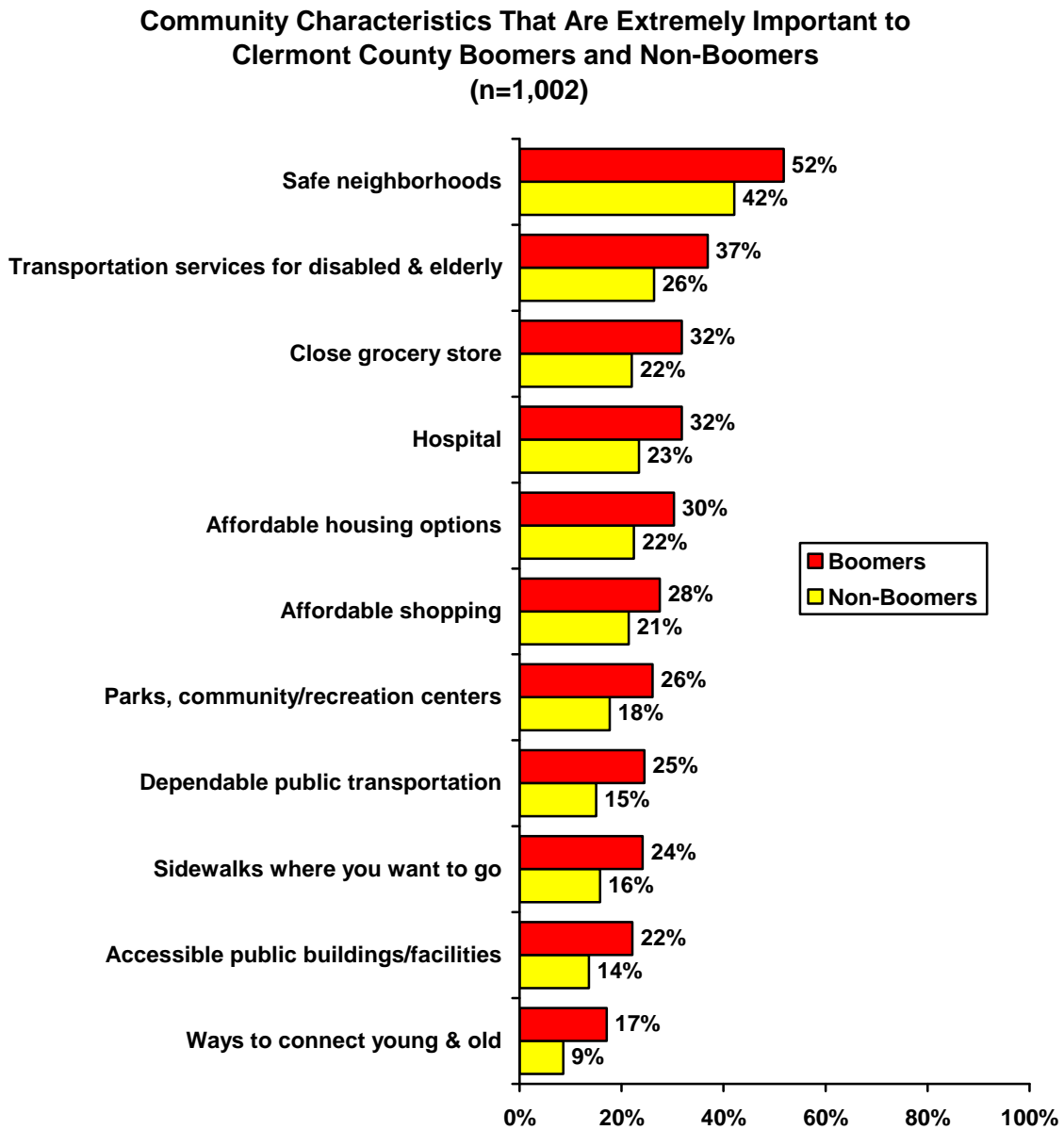
Also extremely important to about three in ten residents are a hospital, a grocery store, a variety of affordable housing options, and places to worship.

#### **Community Characteristics That Are Extremely Important (n=1,002)**

Safe neighborhoods	49%
Transportation services for people with disabilities or the elderly	33%
A hospital in the community	29%
A grocery store close to your home	28%
A variety of affordable housing options, including for persons with physical disabilities	28%
Places to worship	28%
Affordable shopping	26%
Well-designed and maintained streets	25%
A drug store close to your home	24%
Well run parks, community centers, and recreation centers	23%
Dependable public transportation	21%
Sidewalks going to where you want to go	21%
Accessible public buildings and facilities	19%
Ways to connect older and younger people in the community	14%
Opportunities for volunteering	14%

Least important to residents in Clermont County are ways to connect the oldest and youngest people together and volunteer opportunities.

There are differences in the opinions of Clermont County's Baby Boomers and non-Boomers in their selection of characteristics that are most important to them. In eleven of the fifteen characteristics surveyed, Boomers were more likely to identify the following characteristics as extremely important than non-Boomers.



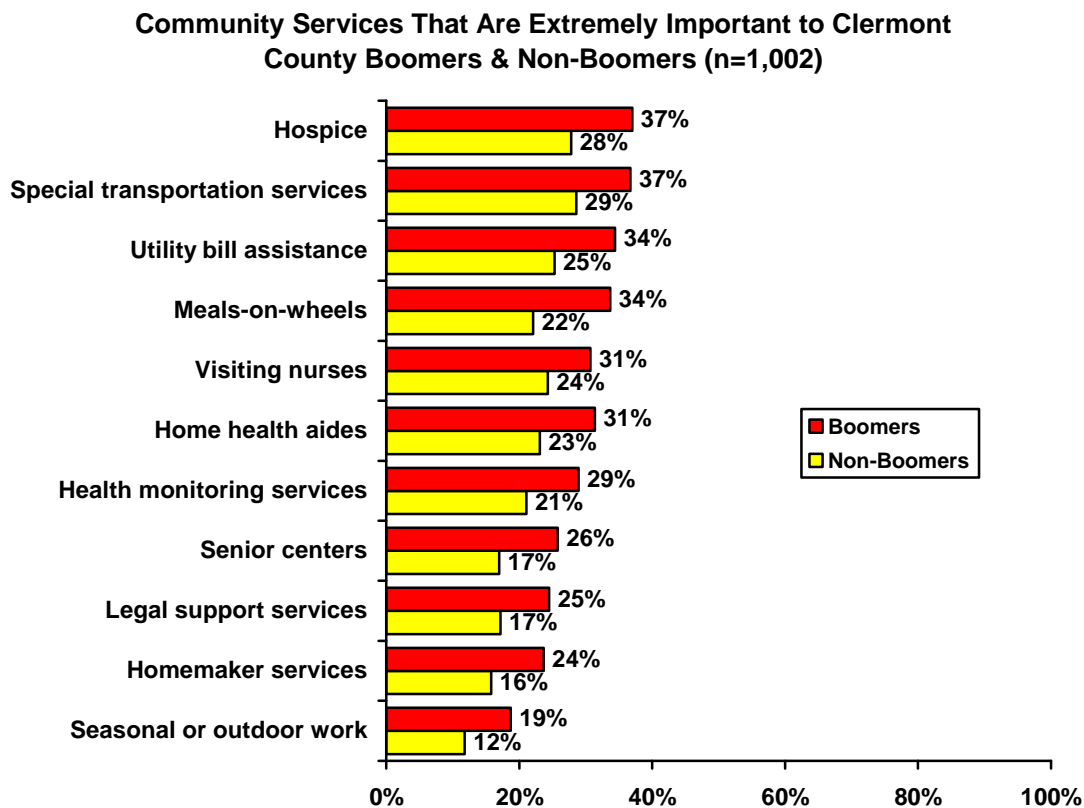
**One-third of residents in Clermont County age 45+ say that end of life or hospice services, special transportation for seniors and people with disabilities and utility bill assistance are extremely important.**

Hospice and special transportation services are at the top of the list of thirteen surveyed community services in terms of importance to Clermont County residents. Three in ten also say that meals-on-wheels and home health aides are extremely important community services.

**Community Services That Are Extremely Important  
(n=1,002)**

End of life or hospice	34%
Special transportation service, like one for seniors or persons with disabilities	34%
A service that helps low-income or older persons pay utility bills	32%
Meals-on-wheels or home delivered meals	30%
Home health aide, personal care attendant, or other assistant who helps with personal needs	29%
Visiting nurse, such as an RN who comes to your home	28%
Health monitoring services	26%
Senior centers	23%
Respite, getting a break from caregiving duties	23%
Congregate meals, such as senior lunch programs	22%
Legal support services, such as Elder Law practitioners	22%
Chore or homemakers services	21%
Seasonal work or outdoor maintenance	16%

There are also differences in the opinions of Clermont County's Boomers and non-Boomers in their selection of community services that are most important. In eleven of the thirteen surveyed services, Boomers were more likely to choose these services as extremely important than non-Boomers.



The availability of services that allow people to remain in their home as they age is a keystone to viable livable communities. More importantly, however, is the awareness of these services that allow residents to age in place by people in the community. Many Clermont County residents, though, were not sure that these characteristics or services existed in their community. At least one in four residents says they are not sure the following characteristics or services exist in their community: With the exception of chore or homemakers' services, there was no difference in awareness of these characteristics and services between Boomers and non-Boomers.

- Legal support services (50%)
- Respite care (49%)
- Health monitoring service (42%)
- Utility bill assistance (41%)
- Seasonal work or outdoor maintenance (37%)
- Congregate meals (37%)
- Chore or homemaker's services (35%)
- Home health aides (32%)
- Visiting nurses (29%)
- Affordable housing options (26%)
- Ways to connect older and younger people (26%)

## Gaps in Community Characteristics and Services

After residents were asked how important the prior fifteen community characteristics and the thirteen community services are, they were asked if these characteristics and services existed in their community. Pairing these questions allows us to look at “gaps” between the importance of a characteristic or service and its existence in the community. To compare these questions, residents who said that a characteristic or service either existed in their community or did not exist in their community were selected – residents who said they were not sure if a characteristic or service existed in their community were removed from this analysis. Then, a comparison was made to the percentage of residents who said the characteristic or service existed in their community and how important it was to them.

The biggest gaps identified by Clermont County residents age 45+ between what is important to them and what exists in their community are dependable public transportation, legal support services, sidewalks going where you want to go, and respite care.

<b>Characteristics and Services in the Community (n=varies, based on awareness of characteristic or service)</b>	<b>Extremely, Very, or Somewhat Important</b>	<b>Yes, Characteristic or Service Exists</b>	<b>Gap*</b>
Dependable public transportation (n=886)	86%	39%	-47%
Legal support services, such as Elder Law practitioners (n=498)	92%	46%	-46%
Sidewalks going to where you want to go (n=982)	81%	36%	-45%
Respite care (n=511)	95%	53%	-42%
Seasonal work or outdoor maintenance (n=629)	90%	56%	-35%
Ways to connect older and younger people in the community (n=738)	88%	56%	-32%
A variety of affordable housing options, including for persons with physical disabilities (n=742)	94%	64%	-30%
A hospital in the community (n=995)	89%	59%	-30%
Health monitoring services (n=577)	95%	67%	-29%
Congregate meals, such as senior lunch programs (n=634)	92%	64%	-27%
Chore or homemaker's services, like when someone comes in to do light housekeeping or cleaning (n=647)	94%	70%	-25%
A service that helps low-income or older persons pay utility bills (n=587)	95%	70%	-25%
End of life or hospice (n=768)	93%	69%	-24%
Well-designed and maintained streets (n=969)	96%	73%	-23%
Home health aide, personal care attendant, or other assistant who helps with personal needs (n=679)	98%	77%	-20%
Visiting nurse, such as an RN who comes to your home (n=707)	97%	76%	-21%
Senior centers (n=832)	93%	74%	-19%
Transportation services for people with disabilities or the elderly (n=847)	98%	83%	-15%
Well run parks, community centers, and recreation centers (n=935)	94%	80%	-14%
Affordable shopping (n=995)	95%	83%	-12%
Special transportation service, like one for seniors or persons with disabilities (n=859)	98%	86%	-12%

Characteristics and Services in the Community (n=varies, based on awareness of characteristic or service) (Con't. from page 10)	Extremely, Very, or Somewhat Important	Yes, Characteristic or Service Exists	Gap*
Meals-on-Wheels or home delivered meals (n=833)	96%	88%	-7%
Safe neighborhoods (n=979)	99%	94%	-6%
A grocery store close to your home (n=1,002)	95%	89%	-6%
Opportunities for volunteering (n=870)	87%	82%	-6%
Accessible public buildings and facilities (n=938)	87%	82%	-5%
A drug store close to your home (n=1,000)	94%	90%	-4%
Places to worship (n=992)	92%	97%	5%

\*Percentages may not seem exact due to rounding.

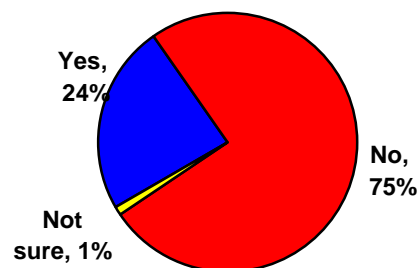
The top four areas with the biggest gaps between importance and existence were the same mentioned by both Baby Boomers and non-Boomers.

## Home Modifications

**One-quarter of Clermont County homeowners age 45+ say their current residence needs major repairs, modifications, or changes to enable them to stay there as they age.**

As noted earlier, the average length of residency in Clermont County is 19 years (median), and 87 percent of residents own their own home. For a quarter of Clermont's homeowners 45+, maintaining residency in their current home as they age will require some modification. In fact, Boomers are more likely than non-Boomers to say a modification is needed (Boomers, 27%; non-Boomers, 17%).

**Homeowners Whose Current Residence Needs Modifications (n=859)**



Six in ten homeowners (59%), Boomers and non-Boomers alike, say they plan on making these modifications and repairs.

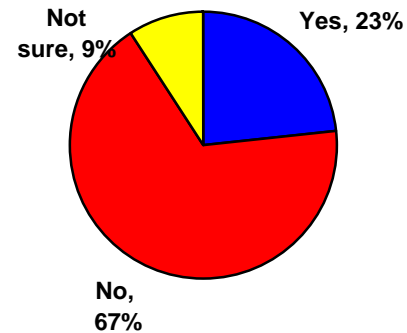
**About two in ten Clermont County residents age 45+<sup>4</sup> believe they will need to move out of their current residence within the next ten years.**

While some residents will be able to make such modifications or repairs, many say they will need to move out of their current home within the next ten years. Boomers are slightly less likely to say they will move than non-Boomers (Boomers, 21%; non-Boomers, 27%).

The most commonly cited reasons for needing to move are:

- Health-related reasons;
- They can't manage the upkeep on their current home; and
- Their current home is too big.

**Will Need to Move Within the Next 10 Years (n=992)**

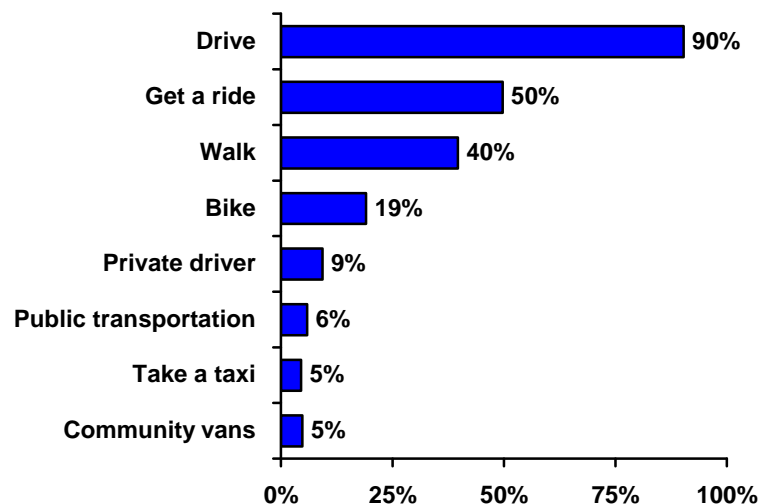


## Driving

**When they need to go somewhere, most Clermont County residents age 45+ drive themselves.**

Mobility is a major aspect of a livable community because various transportation options allow residents to get around their community at all stages of their life. Most Clermont County residents drive when they need to go somewhere. However, one-half get a ride with family or friends and two in five walk. Boomers are more likely than non-Boomers to drive themselves or ride a bike. Non-Boomers are more likely to get a ride with family or friends, although 84 percent say they drive themselves.

**Forms of Transportation Used When Clermont County Residents Age 45+ Need to Get Somewhere (n=1,002)**



Less than one in ten say they have a private driver, take a taxi, use community vans for seniors or people with disabilities, or use public transportation.

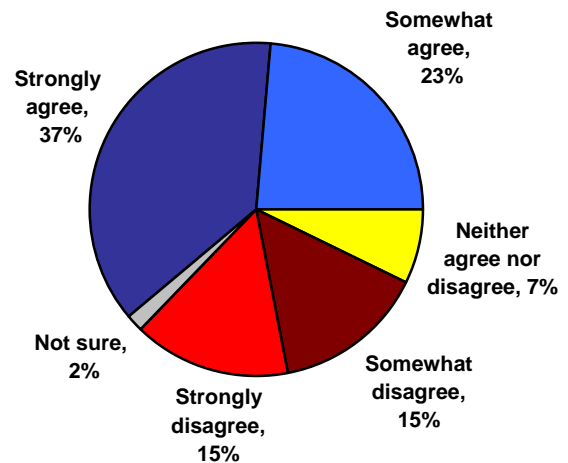
<sup>4</sup> Excludes Clermont County residents age 45+ who live in an assisted living facility.

## Six in ten residents say it would be difficult to live in their current neighborhood if they lost the ability to drive.

However, three in ten Clermont County residents age 45+ disagree that it would be difficult to live in their neighborhood if they lost the ability to drive.

Interestingly, in a similar question asked in this survey, nearly one-half of Clermont County residents (48%) say that if they lost the ability to drive, they would have to re-locate.

Would Be Difficult to Live in Neighborhood If Lost the Ability to Drive (n=1,002)

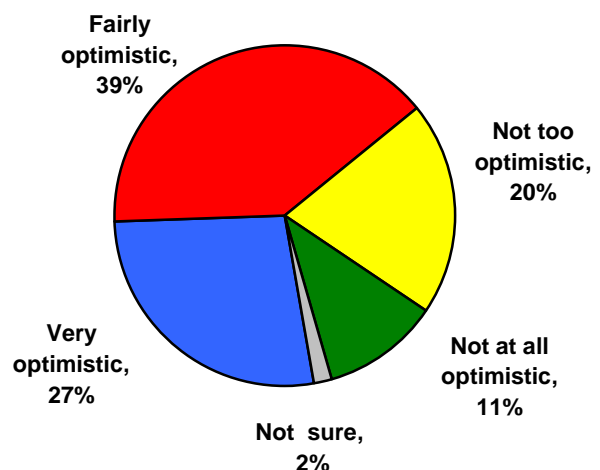


## Thoughts About Retirement

About one-quarter of Clermont County residents age 45+ who are not currently retired say they are very optimistic when they think about their retirement years. Three in ten say they are not too or not at all optimistic.

More than one-half of surveyed Clermont County residents had not retired (56%). When these non-retired Clermont County residents age 45+ were asked to consider what best describes their feelings as they think about their retirement years, one-quarter says they are very optimistic and very much look forward to their retirement years. Non-Boomers are much more likely to say they are very optimistic about their retirement than are Baby Boomers (Boomers, 27%; non-Boomers, 41%).

Feelings About Retirement for Non-Retired Clermont County Residents Age 45+ (n=562)



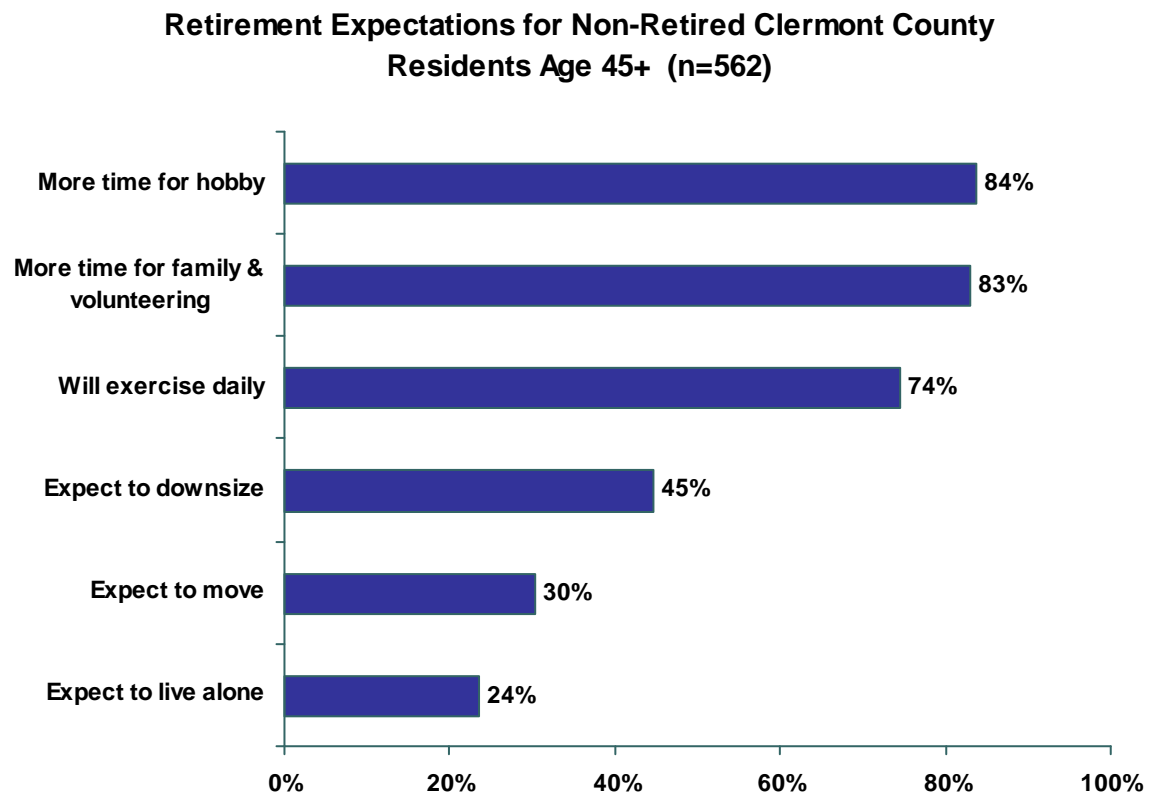


Four in ten residents say they are fairly optimistic about their retirement years, and pretty much look forward to them. However, three in ten residents say they are not too or not at all optimistic and have mixed feelings about their retirement years or do not look forward to them.

Not surprisingly, higher-income residents are twice as likely to say they are very optimistic about their retirement than are lower-income residents (<\$35,000, 17% are very optimistic; \$75,000+, 34% are very optimistic). Likewise, lower-income residents are more likely to say they are not at all optimistic about their retirement (<\$35,000, 25%, \$75,000+, 6%).

In retirement, more than eight in ten Clermont County residents see themselves having more time for hobbies or special interests and more time for family and volunteering. Three in four residents say they will exercise daily.

Three in ten residents also say they expect to move away from this area to another area. Boomers are more likely to say they intend to move than non-Boomers (Boomers, 31%; non-Boomers, 24%).



## Demographic Characteristics of Respondents (n=1,002)

### Gender

Male	47%
Female	53%

### Age

45-59	59%
60-74	26%
75+	13%

### Marital Status

Now married	67%
Not married, living with partner	2%
Widowed	14%
Divorced	11%
Separated	2%
Never married	5%

### Education

0-12 <sup>th</sup> grade, no diploma	12%
High school graduate or equivalent	36%
Post high school education (no degree)	14%
2-year college degree	9%
4-year college degree	16%
Post-graduate study (no degree)	3%
Graduate or professional degree	9%

### AARP Member

Yes	46%
No	53%

### Race

White/Caucasian	96%
Black/African-American	2%
Asian	<1%
Native American/Alaskan Native	<1%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0%
Other	1%

### Hispanic Origin

Yes	2%
No	98%

### Employment Status

Employed	38%
Self-employed	12%
Retired	38%
Unemployed	2%
Not in labor force	9%

### Income

Less than \$10,000	7%
\$10,000 to \$19,999	9%
\$20,000 to \$34,999	14%
\$35,000 to \$49,999	13%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	8%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	10%
\$75,000+	23%

## Methodology

AARP commissioned Woelfel Research, Inc. to conduct a telephone survey of the general population age 45 years and older who live in Clermont County, Ohio. The sample was drawn at random from households residing in the following ZIP Codes: 45102, 45103, 45106, 45107, 45111, 45120, 45121, 45122, 45130, 45140, 45150, 45153, 45157, 45160, 45162, 45176, 45244, 45245, and 45255. The data collection was done in two stages, with the first stage conducted from November 8 to November 19, 2007, and the second stage from March 30 to April 3, 2008. The sample was drawn using standard list-assisted random digit dialing or Weighted (Type B) (RDD) methodology.

A total of 1,002 interviews were completed. In both stages, up to ten call attempts per telephone number were made to reach an eligible respondent. Calls were staggered over times of day and days of the week to maximize the chance of making contact with potential respondents.

The survey has a sampling error of  $\pm 3.1\%$ . Survey responses were weighted to reflect the distribution by age, gender, and geography of people age 45+ years in Ohio according to the *2000 U.S. Census of Population and Housing*. Weighted responses to all survey questions are in Appendix A.

The response rate was 40 percent, and the cooperation rate was 87 percent. These rates were calculated using AAPOR's Outcome Rate Calculator Version 2.1 (May, 2003).

# **APPENDIX A**

## **ANNOTATED QUESTIONNAIRE**

## 2007 Clermont County, OH Livable Communities Survey

### Weighted Annotation

n=1,002; Sampling Error = ± 3.1%

Boomers (45-61 years) n=634; Non-Boomers (62+ years) n=345

#### 1. Regardless of how far down the road it might be, how much thought have you given to your retirement years?

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
A great deal	24.7%	34.1%	7.2%
Some	20.1%	30.6%	1.8%
A little	4.2%	6.3%	0.7%
Not much at all	6.0%	8.0%	1.9%
I am already retired	43.9%	19.4%	88.1%
Not sure	0.8%	1.1%	0.1%
Refused	0.4%	0.5%	0.2%

#### 2. As things stand today, which of these statements best describes your feelings as you think about your retirement years? (All Respondents n=562; Boomers n=511; Non-Boomers n=41)

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
Very optimistic about retirement years and very much look forward to them	27.2%	26.6%	41.1%
Fairly optimistic about retirement years and pretty much look forward to them	39.3%	39.7%	35.1%
Not too optimistic about retirement years and have mixed feelings	20.2%	20.2%	17.2%
Not at all optimistic about retirement years and do not look forward to them	11.1%	11.7%	5.5%
Not sure	1.7%	1.4%	1.1%
Refused	0.4%	0.4%	0.0%

#### 3. Thinking about your plans and hopes for retirement, how strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements? (All respondents n=562; Boomers n=511; Non-Boomers n=41)

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
a. I expect to move away from this area to another area.			
Strongly agree	16.6%	16.9%	15.1%
Somewhat agree	13.8%	14.3%	9.0%
Neither agree or disagree	10.3%	10.6%	2.2%
Somewhat disagree	18.1%	18.5%	14.3%
Strongly disagree	38.4%	37.7%	52.8%
Not sure	2.4%	1.6%	6.5%
Refused	0.4%	0.4%	0.0%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
b. I expect to downsize to an apartment or smaller home.			
Strongly agree	26.6%	26.9%	21.1%
Somewhat agree	18.0%	17.4%	21.9%
Neither agree or disagree	6.9%	7.0%	2.2%
Somewhat disagree	14.3%	13.9%	20.6%
Strongly disagree	33.3%	34.0%	30.5%
Not sure	0.7%	0.6%	2.4%
Refused	0.2%	0.2%	1.3%

	All		
<b>c. If I lost the ability to drive, I would need to relocate.</b>	<b>Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Strongly agree	31.8%	31.6%	34.0%
Somewhat agree	16.1%	15.5%	16.9%
Neither agree or disagree	8.2%	8.4%	3.5%
Somewhat disagree	20.6%	21.0%	21.4%
Strongly disagree	20.8%	21.4%	15.7%
Not sure	1.8%	1.4%	7.4%
Refused	0.6%	0.6%	1.1%

	All		
<b>d. My health is the most important thing I have.</b>	<b>Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Strongly agree	72.9%	71.9%	83.1%
Somewhat agree	19.7%	19.8%	16.9%
Neither agree or disagree	2.2%	2.4%	0.0%
Somewhat disagree	2.5%	2.7%	0.0%
Strongly disagree	2.7%	3.0%	0.0%
Not sure	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Refused	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%

	All		
<b>e. I intend to drive a car or truck for the remainder of my life.</b>	<b>Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Strongly agree	68.2%	68.5%	70.7%
Somewhat agree	19.3%	18.8%	20.7%
Neither agree or disagree	4.4%	4.5%	2.4%
Somewhat disagree	5.2%	5.6%	1.4%
Strongly disagree	1.6%	1.4%	3.5%
Not sure	1.2%	1.2%	1.3%
Refused	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%

	All		
<b>f. Retirement will allow me more time for family and volunteering.</b>	<b>Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Strongly agree	58.6%	59.0%	50.8%
Somewhat agree	24.5%	24.2%	29.7%
Neither agree or disagree	6.3%	6.6%	4.0%
Somewhat disagree	5.7%	5.9%	5.2%
Strongly disagree	4.5%	4.2%	8.0%
Not sure	0.1%	0.0%	1.1%
Refused	0.2%	0.2%	1.1%

	All		
<b>g. I expect to be living alone for most of my retirement years.</b>	<b>Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Strongly agree	15.4%	14.0%	30.4%
Somewhat agree	8.2%	8.5%	5.9%
Neither agree or disagree	6.1%	6.5%	1.1%
Somewhat disagree	13.6%	13.3%	10.1%
Strongly disagree	55.9%	57.1%	49.4%
Not sure	0.6%	0.4%	3.1%
Refused	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%

	All		
<b>h. I will exercise daily.</b>	<b>Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Strongly agree	41.0%	41.4%	37.1%
Somewhat agree	33.3%	32.4%	41.1%
Neither agree or disagree	6.6%	6.8%	4.6%
Somewhat disagree	9.9%	9.6%	13.4%
Strongly disagree	6.7%	7.2%	2.2%
Not sure	1.9%	2.0%	1.6%
Refused	0.6%	0.6%	0.0%

	All		
<b>i. I will dedicate more time to a hobby or special interest.</b>	<b>Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Strongly agree	60.2%	61.1%	53.1%
Somewhat agree	23.6%	23.2%	24.6%
Neither agree or disagree	7.1%	7.1%	6.5%
Somewhat disagree	6.5%	6.2%	11.7%
Strongly disagree	2.1%	1.7%	4.0%
Not sure	0.4%	0.5%	0.0%
Refused	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%

	All		
<b>4. How long, in years, have you lived in your current community?</b>	<b>Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
5 years or less	16.8%	16.8%	17.1%
6-10 years	14.7%	16.1%	12.0%
11-15 years	13.0%	15.2%	8.4%
16-20 years	11.2%	13.4%	7.1%
21-25 years	6.1%	6.3%	6.2%
More than 25 years	37.6%	31.9%	48.3%
Refused	0.5%	0.3%	0.9%
Mean	23	20	28
Median	19	16	25

	All		
<b>5. How important is it to you to remain in your community for as long as possible? Is it....?</b>	<b>Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Extremely important	29.0%	26.2%	34.8%
Very important	30.4%	26.2%	38.4%
Somewhat important	23.7%	27.4%	15.4%
Not very important	8.2%	10.6%	4.4%
Not at all important	7.7%	8.7%	5.7%
Not sure	0.9%	0.9%	1.0%
Refused	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%

	All		
<b>6. Thinking about your future needs, how would you rate your community as a place for people approaching retirement age to live? Would you say it is....?</b>	<b>Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Excellent	14.3%	12.1%	18.8%
Very good	31.5%	30.5%	34.4%
Good	28.8%	29.0%	27.5%
Fair	16.5%	18.9%	11.9%
Poor	6.4%	7.8%	4.1%
Not sure	2.4%	1.8%	3.2%
Refused	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%

<b>7. Overall, how satisfied are you with your community as a place to live? Would you say that you are ....?</b>	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Extremely satisfied	20.0%	19.1%	21.7%
Very satisfied	46.2%	44.6%	49.7%
Somewhat satisfied	28.0%	29.2%	25.1%
Not too satisfied	3.1%	4.0%	1.6%
Not at all satisfied	2.2%	2.7%	1.1%
Not sure	0.2%	0.0%	0.5%
Refused	0.3%	0.4%	0.2%

<b>8. On a weekly basis, how often do you see and visit with friends or family living outside of your home, and/or neighbors within your community?</b>	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Daily	24.9%	24.8%	24.8%
Four or more times per week	19.3%	18.0%	22.3%
Two or three times per week	28.5%	27.6%	29.8%
Once weekly	13.4%	15.1%	10.6%
Less than once weekly	10.3%	11.4%	8.0%
Never	3.3%	2.7%	4.2%
Not sure	0.3%	0.3%	0.4%

**9. Now, I'm going to read you a list of problems that occur in some communities. After I mention each problem, tell me how big you think the problem is in your community. Would you say ... (INSERT ITEMS; ROTATE ITEMS) is a big problem, a small problem or not a problem in your community?**

<b>a. Personal safety</b>	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Big problem	6.5%	6.4%	5.9%
Small problem	28.7%	31.0%	24.2%
Not a problem	63.8%	61.3%	69.3%
Not sure	0.8%	1.2%	0.3%
Refused	0.2%	0.1%	0.3%

<b>b. Noise</b>	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Big problem	7.0%	6.8%	7.6%
Small problem	25.4%	29.4%	18.3%
Not a problem	67.5%	63.8%	73.6%
Not sure	0.1%	0.0%	0.3%
Refused	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%

<b>c. Not enough places to safely bike or walk</b>	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Big problem	29.8%	32.1%	25.0%
Small problem	21.8%	24.0%	18.6%
Not a problem	47.5%	44.0%	54.0%
Not sure	0.9%	0.0%	2.5%



	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>d. Streets that are too dark</b>			
Big problem	23.0%	24.3%	18.6%
Small problem	31.0%	33.9%	26.3%
Not a problem	44.0%	40.7%	51.9%
Not sure	1.8%	0.8%	3.3%
Refused	0.2%	0.4%	0.0%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>e. Streets and sidewalks that need repair or don't exist</b>			
Big problem	22.4%	23.3%	19.6%
Small problem	40.3%	45.6%	31.1%
Not a problem	36.1%	30.6%	47.0%
Not sure	0.9%	0.4%	1.9%
Refused	0.2%	0.1%	0.5%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>f. Public transportation that is too far away, too limited or not available</b>			
Big problem	40.2%	45.6%	29.9%
Small problem	26.4%	29.2%	22.1%
Not a problem	27.2%	20.6%	38.3%
Not sure	6.1%	4.3%	9.6%
Refused	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>g. No or not enough medical services</b>			
Big problem	13.5%	15.5%	9.8%
Small problem	22.4%	25.1%	17.0%
Not a problem	61.1%	57.0%	69.0%
Not sure	2.8%	2.2%	4.0%
Refused	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%

**10. Now I'm going to ask you about some questions about features and services in your community. Please tell me how important you think it is to have the following characteristics in your community. How important is having ... (INSERT ITEMS; ROTATE ITEMS) in your community? Is it extremely important, very important, somewhat important, not very important, not at all important?**

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>a. Well run parks, community centers, and recreation centers</b>			
Extremely important	23.4%	26.1%	17.7%
Very important	47.7%	47.1%	48.9%
Somewhat important	22.8%	23.7%	21.7%
Not very important	3.1%	1.7%	5.7%
Not at all important	2.3%	1.2%	4.4%
Not sure	0.8%	0.2%	1.7%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>b. Dependable public transportation</b>			
Extremely important	21.4%	24.5%	15.0%
Very important	42.9%	42.7%	42.8%
Somewhat important	21.3%	22.4%	19.9%
Not very important	8.3%	7.1%	10.9%
Not at all important	3.8%	2.4%	6.7%
Not sure	1.9%	0.9%	3.7%
Refused	0.3%	0.0%	1.0%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>c. Sidewalks going to where you want to go</b>			
Extremely important	21.3%	24.1%	15.8%
Very important	37.9%	37.0%	40.5%
Somewhat important	21.3%	23.0%	17.7%
Not very important	9.6%	8.4%	11.6%
Not at all important	8.3%	6.5%	11.7%
Not sure	1.5%	0.9%	2.4%
Refused	0.1%	0.0%	0.3%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>d. Safe neighborhoods</b>			
Extremely important	48.5%	51.8%	42.1%
Very important	47.8%	45.4%	52.8%
Somewhat important	2.9%	2.7%	3.2%
Not very important	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%
Not at all important	0.4%	0.0%	1.1%
Not sure	0.2%	0.0%	0.6%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>e. A grocery store close to your home</b>			
Extremely important	28.3%	31.8%	22.0%
Very important	52.7%	50.3%	57.5%
Somewhat important	13.8%	13.8%	13.5%
Not very important	3.0%	2.3%	3.9%
Not at all important	2.1%	1.8%	2.7%
Not sure	0.1%	0.0%	0.4%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>f. A drug store close to your home</b>			
Extremely important	23.8%	24.8%	21.4%
Very important	52.9%	52.3%	54.8%
Somewhat important	17.7%	18.0%	16.9%
Not very important	3.7%	3.6%	3.8%
Not at all important	1.3%	1.1%	1.8%
Not sure	0.6%	0.3%	1.1%
Refused	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>g. Accessible public buildings and facilities</b>			
Extremely important	19.4%	22.1%	13.6%
Very important	43.9%	43.4%	44.7%
Somewhat important	23.1%	25.5%	19.2%
Not very important	7.4%	4.8%	12.4%
Not at all important	4.8%	3.7%	7.0%
Not sure	1.1%	0.5%	2.5%
Refused	0.2%	0.0%	0.7%

<b>h. Transportation services for people with disabilities or the elderly</b>	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Extremely important	33.4%	36.9%	26.4%
Very important	50.2%	45.6%	59.1%
Somewhat important	13.1%	15.2%	9.2%
Not very important	1.5%	1.1%	2.2%
Not at all important	0.9%	0.6%	1.6%
Not sure	0.7%	0.4%	1.5%
Refused	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%

<b>i. A variety of affordable housing options, including for persons with physical disabilities</b>	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Extremely important	27.8%	30.3%	22.4%
Very important	47.3%	47.0%	48.4%
Somewhat important	18.1%	18.4%	17.2%
Not very important	3.1%	2.6%	4.3%
Not at all important	2.4%	1.6%	4.1%
Not sure	1.3%	0.1%	3.4%
Refused	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%

<b>j. Ways to connect older and younger people in the community</b>	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Extremely important	14.4%	17.1%	8.6%
Very important	37.6%	37.2%	39.5%
Somewhat important	34.1%	34.6%	32.2%
Not very important	7.9%	7.3%	9.5%
Not at all important	4.0%	2.6%	6.5%
Not sure	2.0%	1.2%	3.4%
Refused	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%

<b>k. Opportunities for volunteering</b>	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Extremely important	14.4%	14.9%	12.2%
Very important	38.9%	38.6%	39.4%
Somewhat important	32.2%	34.9%	27.8%
Not very important	7.8%	6.8%	10.1%
Not at all important	5.2%	4.1%	7.4%
Not sure	1.2%	0.3%	2.7%
Refused	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%

<b>l. Well-designed and maintained streets</b>	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Extremely important	24.9%	25.9%	22.2%
Very important	58.2%	59.3%	56.4%
Somewhat important	12.7%	11.7%	14.6%
Not very important	2.0%	1.0%	3.9%
Not at all important	2.0%	1.9%	2.3%
Not sure	0.3%	0.2%	0.5%
Refused	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>m. A hospital in the community</b>			
Extremely important	29.0%	31.8%	23.4%
Very important	42.8%	39.4%	49.6%
Somewhat important	17.6%	19.4%	13.3%
Not very important	6.7%	6.0%	8.5%
Not at all important	3.0%	2.7%	3.9%
Not sure	0.9%	0.7%	1.2%
Refused	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>n. Affordable shopping</b>			
Extremely important	25.6%	27.5%	21.4%
Very important	52.5%	52.0%	53.7%
Somewhat important	16.3%	16.3%	16.2%
Not very important	3.0%	2.2%	4.6%
Not at all important	2.1%	1.9%	2.5%
Not sure	0.5%	0.0%	1.5%
Refused	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>o. Places to worship</b>			
Extremely important	28.2%	27.6%	28.9%
Very important	50.6%	49.1%	53.5%
Somewhat important	13.0%	14.9%	9.5%
Not very important	4.6%	5.6%	3.0%
Not at all important	3.1%	2.5%	4.1%
Not sure	0.4%	0.1%	1.0%
Refused	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%

**11. Does the community where you live have ... (INSERT ITEMS; ROTATE ITEMS)?**

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>a. Well run parks, community centers, and recreation centers</b>			
Yes	74.9%	75.5%	74.5%
No	18.4%	18.0%	19.1%
Not sure	6.6%	6.5%	6.2%
Refused	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>b. Dependable public transportation</b>			
Yes	34.4%	34.6%	33.2%
No	54.0%	53.8%	54.5%
Not sure	11.5%	11.6%	12.1%
Refused	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>c. Sidewalks going to where you want to go</b>			
Yes	35.4%	36.1%	34.5%
No	62.6%	62.2%	63.1%
Not sure	1.7%	1.3%	2.2%
Refused	0.3%	0.4%	0.3%

		All		
		Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>d. Safe neighborhoods</b>				
Yes		91.6%	91.1%	92.3%
No		6.1%	7.0%	4.8%
Not sure		2.2%	1.9%	2.6%
Refused		0.1%	0.0%	0.4%
		All		
		Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>e. A grocery store close to your home</b>				
Yes		89.1%	90.7%	86.7%
No		10.9%	9.3%	13.3%
		All		
		Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>f. A drug store close to your home</b>				
Yes		90.1%	91.6%	87.8%
No		9.7%	8.4%	12.2%
Not sure		0.2%	0.0%	0.0%
		All		
		Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>g. Accessible public buildings and facilities</b>				
Yes		76.7%	81.0%	69.5%
No		16.9%	13.8%	22.2%
Not sure		6.3%	5.2%	8.2%
Refused		0.1%	0.0%	0.2%
		All		
		Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>h. Transportation services for people with disabilities or the elderly</b>				
Yes		69.8%	65.6%	77.5%
No		14.8%	16.3%	12.0%
Not sure		15.5%	18.1%	10.5%
		All		
		Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>i. A variety of affordable housing options, including for persons with physical disabilities</b>				
Yes		47.6%	47.8%	46.1%
No		26.5%	27.3%	26.1%
Not sure		26.0%	24.9%	27.8%
		All		
		Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>j. Ways to connect older and younger people in the community</b>				
Yes		40.9%	41.9%	39.7%
No		32.8%	32.9%	33.6%
Not sure		26.2%	25.2%	26.2%
Refused		0.2%	0.0%	0.5%
		All		
		Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>k. Opportunities for volunteering</b>				
Yes		70.8%	73.4%	66.1%
No		16.0%	14.8%	19.0%
Not sure		13.2%	11.8%	15.0%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>I. Well-designed and maintained streets</b>			
Yes	70.7%	68.7%	74.4%
No	26.0%	27.3%	23.4%
Not sure	3.2%	3.7%	2.2%
Refused	0.1%	0.2%	

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>m. A hospital in the community</b>			
Yes	58.8%	59.6%	57.3%
No	40.5%	39.8%	41.6%
Not sure	0.7%	0.5%	1.1%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>n. Affordable shopping</b>			
Yes	82.4%	84.6%	78.1%
No	16.9%	15.0%	20.6%
Not sure	0.5%	0.4%	0.8%
Refused	0.2%	0.0%	0.4%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>o. Places to worship</b>			
Yes	96.3%	96.7%	96.3%
No	2.7%	2.4%	3.2%
Not sure	1.0%	1.0%	0.4%

**12. How important do you think it is to have the following services in your community to help people remain in their own homes as they age. How important is having ..... (INSERT ITEMS; ROTATE ITEMS) in your community? Is it extremely important, very important, somewhat important, not very important, not at all important?**

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>a. Senior centers</b>			
Extremely important	23.1%	25.8%	17.0%
Very important	49.2%	48.9%	51.1%
Somewhat important	20.1%	20.9%	18.3%
Not very important	3.7%	2.3%	6.3%
Not at all important	2.1%	1.0%	4.2%
Not sure	1.8%	1.0%	3.2%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>b. Chore or homemakers services, like when someone comes in to do light housekeeping or cleaning</b>			
Extremely important	21.2%	23.7%	15.8%
Very important	46.8%	45.6%	49.8%
Somewhat important	24.7%	25.5%	23.5%
Not very important	3.9%	3.3%	5.1%
Not at all important	2.3%	1.2%	4.6%
Not sure	0.9%	0.5%	1.0%
Refused	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%

	All		
<b>c. Congregate meals, such as senior lunch programs</b>	<b>Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Extremely important	22.1%	23.8%	17.8%
Very important	47.4%	47.5%	47.6%
Somewhat important	20.7%	20.6%	21.3%
Not very important	5.6%	5.2%	6.3%
Not at all important	2.2%	1.4%	3.7%
Not sure	1.9%	1.5%	2.9%
Refused	0.1%	0.0%	0.4%

	All		
<b>d. Meals-on-Wheels or home delivered meals</b>	<b>Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Extremely important	29.9%	33.7%	22.1%
Very important	50.0%	48.6%	52.7%
Somewhat important	14.6%	13.9%	16.5%
Not very important	2.7%	2.4%	3.5%
Not at all important	1.9%	1.0%	3.6%
Not sure	0.8%	0.5%	1.3%
Refused	0.1%	0.0%	0.4%

	All		
<b>e. A service that helps low-income or older persons pay utility bills</b>	<b>Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Extremely important	31.5%	34.4%	25.3%
Very important	45.4%	43.4%	50.5%
Somewhat important	16.3%	16.6%	15.5%
Not very important	3.1%	2.6%	3.6%
Not at all important	1.0%	0.4%	2.2%
Not sure	2.6%	2.5%	2.9%

	All		
<b>f. Visiting nurse, such as an RN who comes to your home</b>	<b>Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Extremely important	28.2%	30.7%	24.3%
Very important	54.1%	53.4%	56.1%
Somewhat important	13.5%	13.3%	13.8%
Not very important	2.0%	1.6%	2.7%
Not at all important	0.8%	0.4%	1.6%
Not sure	1.2%	0.6%	1.3%
Refused	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%

	All		
<b>g. Seasonal work or outdoor maintenance</b>	<b>Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Extremely important	16.3%	18.7%	11.8%
Very important	43.4%	42.8%	45.9%
Somewhat important	29.5%	31.1%	25.4%
Not very important	5.1%	4.8%	5.6%
Not at all important	2.8%	1.2%	6.0%
Not sure	3.0%	1.4%	5.2%

<b>h. Home health aide, personal care attendant, or other assistant who helps with personal needs</b>	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Extremely important	28.8%	31.4%	23.1%
Very important	52.3%	49.8%	57.9%
Somewhat important	15.9%	16.5%	14.6%
Not very important	1.7%	1.7%	1.8%
Not at all important	0.6%	0.2%	1.3%
Not sure	0.7%	0.4%	1.2%

<b>i. Respite (IF NECESSARY, Getting a break from caregiving duties)</b>	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Extremely important	23.2%	24.5%	20.1%
Very important	49.7%	49.9%	50.7%
Somewhat important	18.7%	20.5%	14.8%
Not very important	3.4%	2.4%	4.9%
Not at all important	1.4%	0.8%	2.7%
Not sure	3.5%	1.7%	6.9%
Refused	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%

<b>j. End of life or hospice (IF NECESSARY, Medication or services provided to relieve symptoms of terminal illness)</b>	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Extremely important	33.7%	37.0%	27.8%
Very important	48.0%	46.3%	50.8%
Somewhat important	10.8%	11.2%	10.0%
Not very important	4.2%	4.2%	4.6%
Not at all important	1.4%	0.5%	3.0%
Not sure	2.0%	0.8%	3.7%

<b>k. Special transportation service, like one for seniors or persons with disabilities</b>	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Extremely important	34.0%	36.7%	28.6%
Very important	51.0%	48.6%	55.7%
Somewhat important	12.5%	12.9%	12.1%
Not very important	1.0%	0.8%	1.3%
Not at all important	0.7%	0.6%	1.0%
Not sure	0.6%	0.4%	1.1%
Refused	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%

<b>l. Health monitoring services</b>	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Extremely important	26.3%	28.9%	21.1%
Very important	49.3%	48.5%	51.8%
Somewhat important	17.4%	17.7%	17.1%
Not very important	3.1%	2.7%	3.7%
Not at all important	0.9%	0.2%	2.2%
Not sure	3.0%	2.0%	4.3%



	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>m. Legal support services, such as Elder Law practitioners</b>			
Extremely important	22.2%	24.5%	17.2%
Very important	42.5%	41.5%	45.0%
Somewhat important	25.3%	25.9%	23.9%
Not very important	4.8%	4.9%	4.6%
Not at all important	2.4%	1.4%	4.4%
Not sure	2.9%	1.8%	4.9%

**13. Does your community where you live have ...? (INSERT ITEMS; ROTATE ITEMS)**

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>a. Senior centers</b>			
Yes	61.8%	59.7%	64.2%
No	21.3%	20.7%	23.2%
Not sure	16.8%	19.3%	12.6%
Refused	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>b. Chore or homemakers services, like when someone comes in to do light housekeeping or cleaning</b>			
Yes	44.9%	43.7%	47.4%
No	19.7%	18.3%	22.2%
Not sure	35.3%	37.7%	30.5%
Refused	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>c. Congregate meals, such as senior lunch programs</b>			
Yes	40.6%	40.1%	42.0%
No	22.7%	21.1%	25.5%
Not sure	36.8%	38.8%	32.5%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>d. Meals-on-Wheels or home delivered meals</b>			
Yes	73.3%	70.9%	77.5%
No	9.7%	10.1%	9.4%
Not sure	16.8%	18.8%	13.1%
Refused	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>e. A service that helps low-income or older persons pay utility bills</b>			
Yes	41.1%	43.1%	38.0%
No	17.5%	17.1%	18.7%
Not sure	41.3%	39.6%	43.3%
Refused	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>f. Visiting nurse, such as an RN who comes to your home</b>			
Yes	53.3%	52.4%	56.1%
No	17.2%	16.8%	17.3%
Not sure	29.4%	30.6%	26.6%
Refused	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%

	All		
	Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>g. Seasonal work or outdoor maintenance</b>			
Yes	34.9%	35.8%	33.0%
No	27.9%	26.3%	31.0%
Not sure	37.1%	37.7%	36.0%
Refused	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%
<b>h. Home health aide, personal care attendant, or other assistant who helps with personal needs</b>	<b>All</b>		
	Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
Yes	52.4%	51.0%	54.8%
No	15.4%	14.9%	17.2%
Not sure	32.1%	33.9%	28.0%
Refused	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%
<b>i. Respite (IF NECESSARY, Getting a break from caregiving duties)</b>	<b>All</b>		
	Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
Yes	27.0%	27.4%	26.2%
No	24.0%	24.4%	23.4%
Not sure	49.0%	48.2%	50.4%
<b>j. End of life or hospice (IF NECESSARY, Medication or services provided to relieve symptoms of terminal illness)</b>	<b>All</b>		
	Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
Yes	53.1%	52.3%	54.0%
No	23.5%	21.9%	26.4%
Not sure	23.2%	25.6%	19.7%
Refused	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%
<b>k. Special transportation service, like one for seniors or persons with disabilities</b>	<b>All</b>		
	Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
Yes	74.0%	70.2%	81.7%
No	11.7%	13.9%	7.3%
Not sure	14.2%	15.7%	11.0%
Refused	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%
<b>l. Health monitoring services</b>	<b>All</b>		
	Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
Yes	38.3%	39.2%	37.5%
No	19.2%	18.3%	21.3%
Not sure	42.3%	42.3%	41.2%
Refused	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%
<b>m. Legal support services, such as Elder Law practitioners</b>	<b>All</b>		
	Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
Yes	22.6%	21.3%	24.9%
No	27.1%	26.3%	28.4%
Not sure	50.3%	52.4%	46.8%

**14. Now I would like to ask you some questions about where you currently live. Which of the following arrangements best describes where you currently live? Do you live in...?**

	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
A one family house	81.1%	85.7%	72.7%
Two family house	1.7%	1.5%	1.6%
Townhouse or rowhouse	1.3%	1.4%	1.1%
Apartment or condominium	10.4%	8.2%	14.6%
Senior housing, apartment, or condominium	1.9%	0.2%	4.9%
Assisted living residence <b>[SKIP TO QUESTION 21]</b>	1.0%	0.4%	2.0%
Mobile home/trailer	2.7%	2.6%	3.0%

**15. Do you own or rent your home? (All Respondents n=992; Boomers n=631; Non-Boomers n=338)**

	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Own	86.6%	87.7%	84.7%
Rent	11.3%	10.9%	11.9%
Live with adult child or others	1.2%	0.5%	1.9%
Live in a senior center	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%
Other	0.2%	0.3%	1.0%
Not sure	0.1%	0.0%	0.4%
Refused	0.6%	0.2%	0.0%

**16. How important is it to you to stay in your current residence for as long as possible? Is it ...? (All Respondents n=992; Boomers n=631; Non-Boomers n=338)**

	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Extremely important	49.6%	47.9%	53.1%
Very important	30.1%	28.8%	32.9%
Somewhat important	10.2%	11.5%	7.0%
Not very important	5.1%	5.7%	4.3%
Not at all important	4.6%	5.6%	2.4%
Not sure	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%
Refused	0.3%	0.4%	0.2%

**17. Does your current residence need any major repairs, modifications, or changes to enable you to stay there as you age? (All Respondents n=992; Boomers n=631; Non-Boomers n=338)**

	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Yes	23.6%	27.7%	16.1%
No <b>[SKIP TO QUESTION 19]</b>	74.8%	71.0%	82.5%
Not sure <b>[SKIP TO QUESTION 19]</b>	1.4%	1.0%	1.2%
Refused <b>[SKIP TO QUESTION 19]</b>	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%

**18. Do you plan on making such modifications or repairs? (All Respondents n=234; Boomers n=175; Non-Boomers n=55)**

	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Yes	56.5%	54.4%	61.1%
No	40.3%	42.4%	35.3%
Not sure	2.9%	2.7%	3.6%
Refused	0.4%	0.5%	0.0%

**19. Do you think you will need to move out of your current residence within the next ten years? (All Respondents n=992; Boomers n=631; Non-Boomers n=338)**

	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Yes	23.4%	21.3%	27.5%
No <b>[SKIP TO QUESTION 21]</b>	67.4%	73.3%	56.9%
Not sure <b>[SKIP TO QUESTION 21]</b>	9.2%	5.4%	15.6%

**20. Why do you think you'll need to move within the next ten years? (All Respondents n=232; Boomers n=135; Non-Boomers n=93)**

	<b>All Respondents</b>
Can't manage upkeep on my current home	18.4%
Move to warmer climate	4.0%
Move to a safer neighborhood	4.7%
Current home is too big	12.5%
Not enough services in my community	6.7%
Mortgage or rent is too high	3.8%
Property taxes are too high	5.9%
Utility costs are too high	4.9%
Health-related reasons	22.3%
Move to be closer to family and friends	6.3%
Age	9.6%
Business/job	2.2%
Need a one-floor residence	7.2%
Neighbors	0.8%
Too expensive (unspecified)	3.3%
Want more land	2.2%
Zoning issues	0.2%
Need a bigger home	1.6%
Move closer to town	1.0%
Other	16.7%
Not sure	4.4%
Refused	0.2%

**21. Now I would like to ask you some questions about transportation in your community. How often would you say you get out of your home and go somewhere, for example shopping, visiting, exercising, in a typical week? Would you say you go ....?**

	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Not at all	2.3%	2.1%	2.5%
1 or 2 times a week	16.0%	13.8%	19.2%
3 to 5 times a week	26.7%	24.1%	31.3%
More than 5 times a week	54.1%	59.1%	45.9%
Not sure	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%

**22. In general, when you need to get somewhere, which of the following forms of transportation do you use? [ROTATE]**

	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
<b>a. Drive myself</b>			
Yes	90.3%	94.0%	84.0%
No	9.6%	5.9%	16.0%
Not sure	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%

	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
<b>b. Get a ride with family or friends</b>			
Yes	49.7%	46.1%	57.8%
No	50.1%	53.8%	42.2%
Not sure	0.2%	0.1%	0.0%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>c. Walk</b>			
Yes	39.7%	41.0%	36.3%
No	60.1%	58.9%	63.2%
Not sure	0.2%	0.1%	0.5%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>d. Ride a bike</b>			
Yes	19.1%	23.1%	12.0%
No	80.8%	76.8%	88.0%
Not sure	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>e. Take a taxi</b>			
Yes	4.5%	5.5%	2.4%
No	95.2%	94.4%	97.1%
Not sure	0.2%	0.1%	0.5%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>f. Use public transportation</b>			
Yes	5.9%	7.0%	4.2%
No	93.9%	92.9%	95.3%
Not sure	0.2%	0.1%	0.5%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>g. Take community vans for seniors or people with disabilities</b>			
Yes	4.8%	2.5%	9.1%
No	94.8%	97.1%	90.3%
Not sure	0.4%	0.3%	0.6%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>h. Use private driver</b>			
Yes	9.3%	8.0%	11.4%
No	90.4%	91.9%	88.2%
Not sure	0.2%	0.1%	0.4%

**23. Please rate your level or agreement with the following statement: *If I were no longer able to drive, it would be difficult for me to continue to live in my current neighborhood.* Do you ...?**

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
Strongly agree	37.3%	41.4%	29.7%
Somewhat agree	23.4%	22.0%	25.5%
Neither agree or disagree	7.1%	7.4%	6.3%
Somewhat disagree	14.5%	14.3%	15.3%
Strongly disagree	15.2%	13.9%	17.5%
Not sure	1.7%	0.5%	3.9%
Refused	0.9%	0.4%	1.8%

The following questions are for classification purposes only and will be kept entirely confidential.

**D1. RECORD RESPONDENT'S GENDER. IF NECESSARY SAY: To ensure it is recorded accurately, could you please state your gender?**

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
Male	46.6%	48.9%	43.3%
Female	53.4%	51.1%	56.7%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>D2. What is your age as of your last birthday? [IN YEARS]</b>			
45-59	58.7%	92.7%	0.0%
60-74	26.3%	7.3%	63.1%
75+	12.7%	0.0%	36.9%
Refused	2.3%	0.0%	0.0%

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
<b>D3. What is your current marital status? Are you....?</b>			
Married	66.7%	73.5%	56.3%
Not married, living with your partner or significant other	1.6%	2.1%	0.4%
Separated	2.0%	2.6%	1.0%
Divorced	10.7%	12.6%	7.7%
Widowed	14.0%	3.5%	32.1%
Currently single <u>and</u> never married	4.8%	5.7%	2.5%
Refused	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%

**D4. [IF D3=1, ASK: "Are you or your spouse currently a member of A-A-R-P?" IF D3=2, ASK: "Are you or your partner currently a member of AARP?" OTHERWISE ASK "Are you currently a member of AARP?"]**

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
Yes	45.7%	39.4%	58.2%
No	53.3%	60.2%	39.7%
Not sure	1.0%	0.4%	2.0%

**D5. What is the highest level of education that you completed? [READ OPTIONS]**

	All Respondents	Boomers	Non-Boomers
0 to 12 <sup>th</sup> grade, but with no diploma	12.1%	8.6%	18.7%
High school graduate or equivalent	36.2%	34.6%	39.7%
Post high school education, but with no degree	13.7%	14.4%	12.7%
2 year degree	9.4%	11.0%	6.1%
4 year degree	16.0%	18.8%	11.5%
Post graduate study, but with no degree	3.3%	3.2%	3.4%
Graduate or professional degree	8.5%	9.3%	7.1%
Refused	0.8%	0.1%	0.7%

<b>D6. Which of the following best describes your current employment status? [READ OPTIONS]</b>	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Self-employed full-time	8.6%	12.1%	2.5%
Self-employed part-time	3.1%	3.8%	1.7%
Employed full-time	28.9%	42.6%	3.9%
Employed part-time	8.9%	10.1%	6.9%
Retired and not working at all	38.1%	14.4%	81.4%
Unemployed and looking for work	2.4%	3.2%	1.0%
Or are you ... Not in the labor force for other reasons	9.4%	13.5%	2.2%
Not sure	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%
Refused	0.5%	0.3%	0.2%

<b>D7. Are you of Hispanic, Spanish, or Latino origin or descent?</b>	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Yes	1.7%	1.8%	1.6%
No	97.9%	98.1%	98.4%
Not sure	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%
Refused	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%

<b>D8. What is your race?</b>	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
White or Caucasian	95.7%	95.0%	98.2%
Black or African American	1.5%	1.6%	0.6%
Native American or Alaskan Native	0.4%	0.5%	0.3%
Asian	0.2%	0.2%	0.3%
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Mixed	1.2%	1.9%	0.0%
Other	0.2%	0.3%	0.0%
Not sure	0.4%	0.6%	0.2%
Refused	0.4%	0.0%	0.5%

<b>D9. Thinking about elections for Ohio Governor and Legislators in the last ten years, which of the following best describes your voting behavior? Would you say you vote always, most of the time, about half of the time, seldom, or would you say you never vote?</b>	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Always	53.4%	50.1%	61.0%
Most of the time	25.9%	29.2%	20.7%
About half of the time	7.2%	6.2%	8.0%
Seldom	3.9%	4.1%	3.6%
Never	8.6%	10.2%	6.0%
Not sure	0.1%	0.1%	0.3%
Refused	0.8%	0.2%	0.5%

**D10. We realize income is a private matter and so rather than ask you anything specific about your income, I'd like to ask you to please stop me when I get to the category that your includes your household's income before taxes in 2007. Was it....?**

	<b>All Respondents</b>	<b>Boomers</b>	<b>Non-Boomers</b>
Less than \$10,000	6.7%	7.0%	6.6%
\$10,000 to less than \$20,000	9.3%	4.0%	18.8%
\$20,000 to less than \$35,000	13.7%	10.7%	19.9%
\$35,000 to less than \$50,000	13.1%	11.5%	16.2%
\$50,000 to less than \$60,000	8.2%	9.6%	5.6%
\$60,000 to less than \$75,000	10.0%	12.3%	6.4%
\$75,000 or more	23.3%	32.9%	7.1%
Not sure	4.1%	2.2%	7.7%
Refused	11.5%	9.7%	11.7%





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