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Athens-Clarke County, GA

Comparisons by Demographic Subgroups

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Summary

The National Citizen Survey™ (The NCS™) is a collaborative effort between National Research Center, Inc. (NRC) and the International City/County Management Association (ICMA). The survey and its administration are standardized to assure high quality research methods and directly comparable results across The NCS communities. This report discusses differences in opinion of survey respondents by age, sex, race/ethnicity, housing tenure (rent or own) and housing unit type (attached or detached).

Responses in the following tables show only the proportion of respondents giving a certain answer; for example, the percent of respondents who rated the quality of life as “excellent” or “good,” or the percent of respondents who attended a public meeting more than once a month. ANOVA and chi-square tests of significance were applied to these comparisons of survey questions. A “p-value” of 0.05 or less indicates that there is less than a 5% probability that differences observed between subgroups are due to chance; or in other words, a greater than 95% probability that the differences observed are “real.” Where differences were statistically significant, they have been shaded grey.

The margin of error for all respondents (N=251) is generally no greater than plus or minus six percentage points around any given percent. The margin of error for subgroups is less precise. For subgroups of approximately 100 respondents, the margin of error is plus or minus 10 percentage points.

Notable differences between demographic subgroups included the following:

- Within the pillar of Community Characteristics, where differences in opinion were noted, residents who were age 18-34; white alone, not Hispanic; owned their homes; or who lived in detached housing were more likely than other residents to give positive ratings, with some exceptions. For example, residents who identified as Hispanic and/or another race tended to give higher ratings to aspects of Mobility than other residents.
- Residents who were white alone, not Hispanic tended to give higher ratings to aspects of County government performance. Few differences in opinion by demographics were noted for County service ratings.
- Within Participation, residents who rented their homes were more likely than homeowners to have walked or biked, carpooled or used public transportation instead of driving. Where differences were observed, residents living in detached housing units tended to have higher participation rates than those living in attached housing.
- Thinking about transportation corridor plan development, residents who were age 35 and older or who were Hispanic and/or another race were more likely than others to rate possible improvements as essential or very important.

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Table 1: Community Characteristics - General

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
The overall quality of life in Athens-Clarke County	75%	82%	89%	78%	84%	77%	84%	71%	93%	84%	76%	81%
Overall image or reputation of Athens-Clarke County	68%	76%	74%	68%	75%	71%	70%	69%	73%	76%	64%	71%
Athens-Clarke County as a place to live	88%	85%	90%	87%	90%	86%	89%	85%	91%	90%	85%	88%
Your neighborhood as a place to live	72%	76%	86%	78%	75%	77%	74%	65%	91%	86%	63%	76%
Athens-Clarke County as a place to raise children	49%	75%	70%	59%	66%	59%	65%	45%	77%	70%	51%	62%
Athens-Clarke County as a place to retire	63%	71%	87%	76%	69%	74%	70%	58%	85%	82%	60%	72%
Overall appearance of Athens-Clarke County	69%	64%	75%	69%	70%	71%	66%	65%	74%	73%	64%	69%

Table 2: Community Characteristics - Safety

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good, very/somewhat safe)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Overall feeling of safety in Athens-Clarke County	70%	64%	65%	68%	68%	62%	74%	65%	70%	74%	59%	68%
In your neighborhood during the day	99%	90%	91%	95%	96%	98%	91%	96%	94%	97%	93%	95%
In Athens-Clarke County's downtown/commercial area during the day	93%	78%	84%	90%	84%	90%	82%	86%	88%	93%	79%	87%

Table 3: Community Characteristics - Mobility

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good, very/somewhat safe)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Overall ease of getting to the places you usually have to visit	80%	83%	81%	82%	79%	75%	89%	79%	84%	81%	81%	81%
Traffic flow on major streets	37%	47%	55%	42%	47%	36%	57%	39%	50%	45%	42%	44%
Ease of public parking	31%	42%	42%	33%	40%	33%	42%	27%	46%	38%	33%	36%
Ease of travel by car in Athens-Clarke County	64%	61%	63%	65%	60%	54%	78%	59%	68%	63%	64%	63%
Ease of travel by public transportation in Athens-Clarke County	44%	62%	45%	42%	52%	40%	60%	49%	47%	43%	54%	49%
Ease of travel by bicycle in Athens-Clarke County	43%	18%	24%	27%	35%	27%	43%	41%	23%	28%	41%	33%
Ease of walking in Athens-Clarke County	67%	36%	44%	48%	60%	54%	53%	59%	48%	52%	56%	54%
Availability of paths and walking trails	55%	61%	53%	51%	61%	56%	55%	53%	60%	58%	53%	56%

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Table 4: Community Characteristics - Natural Environment

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good, very/somewhat safe)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Quality of overall natural environment in Athens-Clarke County	87%	77%	80%	83%	82%	83%	82%	81%	85%	85%	80%	83%
Air quality	81%	66%	65%	69%	80%	77%	69%	73%	75%	78%	68%	74%
Cleanliness of Athens-Clarke County	51%	51%	57%	52%	53%	52%	53%	48%	57%	57%	46%	52%

Table 5: Community Characteristics - Built Environment

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good, very/somewhat safe)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Overall "built environment" of Athens-Clarke County (including overall design, buildings, parks and transportation systems)	72%	65%	62%	67%	68%	64%	75%	69%	66%	66%	70%	68%
Public places where people want to spend time	86%	67%	72%	78%	78%	81%	74%	80%	76%	80%	75%	78%
Variety of housing options	48%	40%	50%	41%	51%	56%	29%	41%	54%	48%	44%	47%
Availability of affordable quality housing	50%	38%	37%	39%	50%	53%	29%	46%	43%	41%	48%	45%
Overall quality of new development in Athens-Clarke County	70%	53%	49%	57%	63%	61%	60%	61%	61%	59%	62%	61%

Table 6: Community Characteristics - Economy

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good, very/somewhat safe)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Overall economic health of Athens-Clarke County	33%	49%	57%	43%	43%	42%	44%	33%	53%	49%	33%	42%
Athens-Clarke County as a place to work	70%	80%	76%	72%	77%	74%	73%	68%	82%	80%	67%	74%
Athens-Clarke County as a place to visit	90%	78%	90%	84%	91%	90%	82%	85%	90%	90%	84%	87%
Employment opportunities	63%	32%	47%	54%	48%	57%	41%	54%	49%	55%	47%	52%
Shopping opportunities	79%	54%	67%	72%	69%	75%	63%	70%	71%	74%	66%	71%
Cost of living in Athens-Clarke County	80%	47%	52%	61%	70%	71%	57%	63%	69%	73%	56%	66%
Overall quality of business and service establishments in Athens-Clarke County	94%	62%	64%	80%	77%	85%	69%	84%	74%	83%	74%	79%
Vibrant downtown/commercial area	94%	61%	62%	74%	82%	87%	63%	80%	76%	81%	74%	78%

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Table 7: Community Characteristics - Recreation and Wellness

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good, very/somewhat safe)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Health and wellness opportunities in Athens-Clarke County	75%	62%	86%	69%	82%	76%	73%	64%	88%	79%	70%	75%
Fitness opportunities (including exercise classes and paths or trails, etc.)	83%	69%	73%	76%	80%	84%	68%	77%	78%	79%	75%	77%
Recreational opportunities	80%	72%	73%	75%	79%	81%	69%	73%	81%	78%	75%	77%
Availability of affordable quality food	87%	67%	74%	75%	85%	85%	70%	74%	86%	82%	75%	79%
Availability of affordable quality health care	59%	44%	71%	54%	64%	59%	55%	43%	76%	66%	48%	58%
Availability of preventive health services	74%	49%	68%	69%	65%	66%	67%	58%	76%	74%	57%	66%
Availability of affordable quality mental health care	45%	42%	45%	48%	41%	46%	42%	30%	61%	47%	40%	44%

Table 8: Community Characteristics - Education and Enrichment

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good, very/somewhat safe)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Overall opportunities for education and enrichment	68%	72%	86%	65%	84%	75%	72%	69%	79%	73%	74%	73%
Availability of affordable quality child care/preschool	31%	46%	51%	31%	55%	38%	45%	22%	60%	49%	25%	42%
K-12 education	26%	35%	48%	36%	35%	38%	31%	22%	47%	42%	23%	36%
Adult educational opportunities	89%	46%	77%	78%	72%	82%	63%	73%	77%	78%	71%	75%
Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities	87%	74%	85%	83%	84%	89%	72%	79%	88%	87%	78%	83%
Opportunities to participate in religious or spiritual events and activities	91%	75%	85%	84%	86%	89%	78%	78%	92%	93%	73%	85%

Table 9: Community Characteristics - Community Engagement

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good, very/somewhat safe)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Opportunities to participate in social events and activities	89%	74%	69%	83%	80%	83%	78%	79%	84%	84%	78%	81%
Opportunities to volunteer	94%	80%	85%	93%	84%	91%	82%	84%	92%	93%	80%	88%
Opportunities to participate in community matters	75%	64%	68%	69%	72%	75%	64%	67%	74%	74%	65%	70%
Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds	59%	63%	57%	52%	68%	70%	42%	61%	58%	63%	55%	60%
Neighborliness of residents in Athens-Clarke County	54%	68%	58%	51%	66%	60%	57%	54%	65%	59%	59%	59%

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Table 10: Governance - General

	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good)												
Athens-Clarke County Government	79%	71%	69%	69%	82%	76%	71%	74%	77%	77%	71%	75%
The value of services for the taxes paid to Athens-Clarke County	56%	44%	49%	53%	49%	59%	38%	52%	52%	56%	44%	52%
The overall direction that Athens-Clarke County is taking	67%	54%	55%	61%	59%	60%	59%	60%	61%	63%	57%	61%
The job Athens-Clarke County government does at welcoming citizen involvement	63%	48%	62%	56%	63%	60%	57%	56%	63%	60%	57%	59%
Overall confidence in Athens-Clarke County government	64%	50%	66%	59%	62%	60%	60%	62%	59%	55%	68%	61%
Generally acting in the best interest of the community	63%	51%	61%	57%	62%	63%	52%	59%	60%	60%	58%	60%
Being honest	68%	50%	56%	59%	60%	68%	43%	57%	64%	64%	54%	60%
Treating all residents fairly	47%	45%	57%	47%	50%	57%	32%	43%	55%	49%	48%	48%
Overall customer service by Athens-Clarke County employees (police, receptionists, planners, etc.)	67%	64%	71%	71%	63%	73%	56%	67%	68%	67%	67%	67%
The Federal Government	32%	38%	53%	39%	37%	38%	39%	31%	47%	39%	37%	39%

Table 11: Governance - Safety

	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good)												
Police services	81%	79%	82%	77%	86%	82%	77%	76%	87%	80%	82%	81%
Fire services	93%	90%	94%	91%	95%	94%	89%	90%	96%	94%	90%	93%
Ambulance or emergency medical services	86%	76%	87%	84%	85%	83%	84%	78%	91%	84%	84%	84%
Crime prevention	64%	37%	53%	52%	57%	56%	51%	56%	54%	58%	50%	55%
Fire prevention and education	70%	70%	74%	75%	66%	66%	77%	70%	71%	71%	70%	71%
Animal control	68%	47%	57%	62%	59%	63%	55%	54%	67%	66%	51%	61%
Emergency preparedness (services that prepare the community for natural disasters or other emergency situations)	47%	62%	60%	49%	60%	67%	37%	47%	62%	54%	53%	54%

Table 12: Governance - Mobility

	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good)												
Traffic enforcement	63%	70%	64%	62%	70%	66%	61%	55%	77%	69%	59%	65%
Street repair	38%	48%	41%	36%	48%	37%	46%	34%	50%	41%	41%	41%
Street cleaning	46%	59%	48%	47%	52%	47%	50%	44%	56%	50%	48%	50%

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Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Street lighting	39%	54%	56%	51%	43%	51%	40%	46%	49%	52%	41%	47%
Sidewalk maintenance	46%	56%	48%	43%	55%	46%	52%	47%	51%	47%	51%	49%
Traffic signal timing	54%	46%	47%	56%	44%	48%	55%	52%	48%	52%	47%	50%
Bus or transit services	64%	72%	62%	66%	66%	60%	75%	68%	62%	58%	75%	66%

Table 13: Governance - Natural Environment

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Garbage collection	83%	86%	79%	87%	78%	81%	85%	76%	91%	83%	83%	83%
Recycling	73%	80%	85%	78%	78%	79%	75%	68%	89%	87%	65%	78%
Yard waste pick-up	43%	53%	65%	56%	54%	53%	54%	47%	59%	57%	46%	55%
Drinking water	83%	65%	80%	79%	77%	81%	71%	72%	85%	85%	67%	78%
Preservation of natural areas such as open space, farmlands and greenbelts	75%	56%	56%	63%	68%	69%	58%	67%	65%	66%	66%	66%
Athens-Clarke County open space	63%	52%	48%	55%	59%	66%	40%	52%	63%	57%	57%	57%

Table 14: Governance - Built Environment

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Storm drainage	57%	42%	56%	59%	47%	56%	45%	52%	55%	50%	59%	54%
Sewer services	70%	69%	63%	71%	65%	76%	55%	61%	76%	73%	60%	68%
Utility billing	64%	50%	67%	63%	60%	63%	57%	60%	63%	65%	54%	62%
Land use, planning and zoning	46%	31%	48%	39%	48%	43%	43%	40%	47%	47%	37%	43%
Code enforcement (weeds, abandoned buildings, etc.)	38%	23%	44%	34%	36%	40%	28%	35%	37%	36%	35%	36%
Cable television	51%	32%	48%	49%	43%	41%	54%	47%	44%	46%	44%	45%

Table 15: Governance - Economy

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Economic development	54%	54%	53%	52%	54%	53%	54%	60%	48%	48%	62%	54%

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Table 16: Governance - Recreation and Wellness

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
County parks	89%	81%	77%	84%	85%	85%	82%	82%	88%	89%	78%	85%
Recreation programs or classes	86%	68%	77%	79%	78%	83%	71%	74%	81%	85%	65%	78%
Recreation centers or facilities	82%	72%	67%	73%	78%	75%	74%	73%	78%	79%	68%	75%
Health services	68%	66%	77%	66%	75%	70%	68%	60%	82%	77%	59%	70%

Table 17: Governance - Education and Enrichment

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Public library services	92%	80%	90%	87%	92%	90%	87%	88%	91%	89%	89%	89%
County-sponsored special events	74%	57%	68%	61%	76%	72%	62%	70%	67%	67%	71%	69%

Table 18: Governance - Community Engagement

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Public information services	54%	72%	74%	54%	77%	65%	61%	57%	72%	64%	62%	64%

Table 19: Participation General

Percent rating positively (e.g., always/sometimes, more than once a month, yes)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Sense of community	54%	59%	64%	52%	64%	60%	52%	54%	61%	57%	57%	57%
Recommend living in Athens-Clarke County to someone who asks	85%	83%	91%	88%	83%	87%	83%	81%	92%	92%	78%	86%
Remain in Athens-Clarke County for the next five years	45%	63%	92%	60%	60%	63%	54%	45%	79%	81%	34%	60%
Contacted Athens-Clarke County (in-person, phone, email or web) for help or information	62%	37%	41%	45%	57%	54%	46%	50%	51%	58%	41%	51%

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Table 20: Participation - Safety

Percent rating positively (e.g., always/sometimes, more than once a month, yes)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Was NOT the victim of a crime	91%	94%	85%	89%	91%	91%	90%	90%	91%	90%	90%	90%
Did NOT report a crime	80%	73%	83%	77%	82%	79%	76%	78%	80%	77%	80%	79%
Stocked supplies in preparation for an emergency	33%	35%	38%	34%	36%	38%	29%	32%	38%	37%	32%	35%

Table 21: Participation - Mobility

Percent rating positively (e.g., always/sometimes, more than once a month, yes)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Walked or biked instead of driving	63%	45%	43%	44%	64%	59%	49%	63%	44%	51%	59%	54%
Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone	71%	46%	39%	62%	49%	58%	57%	67%	46%	53%	62%	57%
Used bus, rail, subway or other public transportation instead of driving	48%	29%	19%	35%	36%	27%	51%	47%	23%	34%	39%	36%

Table 22: Participation - Natural Environment

Percent rating positively (e.g., always/sometimes, more than once a month, yes)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Recycle at home	82%	59%	85%	77%	76%	88%	59%	73%	83%	86%	66%	77%
Made efforts to make your home more energy efficient	49%	58%	67%	53%	58%	53%	59%	56%	56%	54%	58%	56%
Made efforts to conserve water	73%	83%	90%	71%	90%	78%	83%	78%	82%	81%	78%	80%

Table 23: Participation - Built Environment

Percent rating positively (e.g., always/sometimes, more than once a month, yes)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
NOT under housing cost stress	63%	71%	64%	70%	61%	68%	60%	53%	81%	79%	46%	65%
Did NOT observe a code violation	60%	50%	47%	58%	50%	51%	58%	61%	46%	47%	63%	54%

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Table 24: Participation - Economy

Percent rating positively (e.g., always/sometimes, more than once a month, yes)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Purchase goods or services from a business located in Athens-Clarke County	96%	96%	96%	97%	95%	99%	91%	95%	98%	99%	93%	96%
Economy will have positive impact on income	25%	36%	25%	27%	29%	34%	18%	15%	44%	36%	17%	28%
Work in Athens-Clarke County	68%	70%	44%	66%	62%	68%	55%	64%	63%	69%	58%	64%

Table 25: Participation - Recreation and Wellness

Percent rating positively (e.g., always/sometimes, more than once a month, yes)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Used Athens-Clarke County recreation centers or their services	63%	65%	49%	62%	58%	63%	57%	63%	59%	62%	59%	61%
Visited a neighborhood park or County park	85%	78%	67%	81%	77%	84%	74%	79%	80%	86%	70%	79%
Eat at least 5 portions of fruits and vegetables a day	73%	83%	84%	78%	78%	76%	82%	69%	90%	87%	67%	78%
Participate in moderate or vigorous physical activity	86%	78%	85%	88%	78%	90%	72%	79%	90%	91%	74%	84%
Reported being in "very good" or "excellent" health	63%	61%	56%	65%	56%	66%	52%	55%	67%	72%	45%	61%

Table 26: Participation - Education and Enrichment

Percent rating positively (e.g., always/sometimes, more than once a month, yes)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Used Athens-Clarke County public libraries or their services	60%	49%	66%	70%	45%	57%	61%	57%	60%	66%	48%	58%
Participated in religious or spiritual activities in Athens-Clarke County	54%	57%	63%	56%	58%	55%	62%	52%	64%	60%	54%	57%
Attended a County-sponsored event	62%	51%	55%	55%	60%	59%	56%	52%	65%	71%	40%	58%

Table 27: Participation - Community Engagement

Percent rating positively (e.g., always/sometimes, more than once a month, yes)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Campaigned or advocated for an issue, cause or candidate	23%	24%	39%	26%	27%	25%	29%	23%	32%	34%	16%	27%
Contacted Athens-Clarke County elected officials (in-person, phone, email or web) to express your opinion	16%	18%	24%	20%	17%	22%	13%	14%	23%	24%	10%	18%

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Percent rating positively (e.g., always/sometimes, more than once a month, yes)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Volunteered your time to some group/activity in Athens-Clarke County	47%	33%	42%	40%	44%	50%	32%	40%	46%	54%	28%	43%
Participated in a club	37%	25%	38%	30%	37%	37%	29%	33%	36%	40%	25%	34%
Talked to or visited with your immediate neighbors	85%	73%	91%	78%	88%	88%	74%	80%	87%	90%	75%	83%
Done a favor for a neighbor	63%	65%	75%	64%	68%	66%	66%	57%	78%	74%	57%	66%
Attended a local public meeting	20%	19%	33%	18%	27%	20%	28%	13%	36%	35%	8%	23%
Watched (online or on television) a local public meeting	15%	21%	40%	22%	22%	17%	29%	17%	28%	29%	12%	22%
Read or watch local news (via television, paper, computer, etc.)	56%	84%	90%	74%	68%	68%	77%	63%	81%	82%	58%	71%
Vote in local elections	62%	66%	89%	73%	66%	78%	56%	63%	78%	79%	57%	70%

Table 28: Community Focus Areas

Percent rating positively (e.g., essential/very important)	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Overall feeling of safety in Athens-Clarke County	89%	89%	95%	90%	90%	86%	97%	87%	94%	89%	91%	90%
Overall ease of getting to the places you usually have to visit	69%	75%	88%	79%	71%	75%	74%	69%	83%	82%	66%	75%
Quality of overall natural environment in Athens-Clarke County	87%	85%	88%	87%	86%	83%	91%	88%	83%	89%	82%	86%
Overall "built environment" of Athens-Clarke County (including overall design, buildings, parks and transportation systems)	67%	85%	87%	73%	79%	70%	85%	70%	83%	75%	77%	76%
Health and wellness opportunities in Athens-Clarke County	76%	83%	92%	85%	77%	80%	83%	83%	79%	80%	82%	81%
Overall opportunities for education and enrichment	88%	82%	90%	87%	87%	84%	91%	87%	86%	87%	85%	87%
Overall economic health of Athens-Clarke County	92%	92%	95%	95%	89%	94%	91%	91%	94%	95%	89%	92%
Sense of community	62%	80%	80%	69%	73%	65%	80%	67%	76%	73%	67%	71%
Create a long-range vision/strategy for the County	76%	82%	86%	81%	79%	72%	92%	75%	85%	80%	79%	80%

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Table 29: Corridor Plan Development

Athens-Clarke County is in the process of developing Corridor Plans for the Atlanta Highway, Lexington Road, and Prince Avenue, which aim to improve the experience and impression residents and visitors have of our community and increase understanding of the roads' impact on traffic, pedestrians, bicyclists, and commerce. How important, if at all, is it for the Athens-Clarke County government to address each of the following in the development of this plan? (Percent rating as "essential" or "very important").	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Develop additional medians	23%	52%	56%	40%	35%	31%	49%	35%	42%	38%	39%	38%
Landscape existing medians	26%	50%	57%	43%	36%	36%	43%	38%	41%	43%	35%	39%
Widen landscape buffers along the edge of roadways	23%	71%	54%	44%	43%	37%	54%	43%	44%	41%	46%	43%
Create gateway/arrival features as you enter the community	30%	54%	51%	41%	40%	31%	55%	41%	40%	39%	42%	41%
Improve access to commercial drives	37%	67%	66%	52%	54%	42%	69%	52%	52%	48%	59%	52%
Improve or add turn lanes	57%	83%	78%	78%	59%	66%	73%	66%	71%	66%	72%	68%
Improve signal timing	59%	85%	80%	76%	65%	66%	77%	70%	72%	70%	72%	71%
Add new traffic signals on Lexington Road between Cherokee/Gaines School and Barnett Shoals Road	45%	67%	57%	57%	49%	41%	75%	50%	57%	47%	61%	53%
Complete sidewalks along Lexington Road between Cherokee/Gaines School and Barnett Shoals Road	67%	84%	75%	77%	67%	72%	74%	75%	70%	67%	79%	73%
Build pedestrian bridges or tunnels	69%	74%	57%	70%	64%	60%	78%	80%	53%	60%	78%	68%
Enhance pedestrian crossings at traffic signals or mid-block	65%	80%	74%	80%	58%	68%	73%	70%	71%	69%	72%	71%
Enhance pedestrian/bike connectivity to nearby residential areas	69%	86%	73%	79%	67%	65%	87%	80%	67%	73%	76%	74%
Improve bus stops with shelters, benches and other amenities	58%	78%	75%	73%	59%	55%	83%	72%	60%	61%	74%	67%

Table 30: Support for Regional Partnerships

To what extent, if any, do you support or oppose the Athens-Clarke County government working with neighboring cities and counties to address the following regional issues: (Percent rating as "strongly support" or "somewhat support").	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
Drinking water	100%	95%	97%	97%	99%	99%	97%	98%	98%	99%	97%	98%
Handling sewage	99%	93%	93%	94%	98%	98%	92%	95%	95%	96%	94%	95%
Economic development opportunities	96%	94%	92%	90%	98%	97%	88%	94%	95%	96%	91%	94%
Public transportation	92%	89%	93%	94%	89%	95%	86%	92%	91%	93%	88%	91%

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Table 31: Support for Controlled Rural/Greenbelt Development

Percent "strongly support" or "somewhat support"	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
To what extent, if any, would you support or oppose the Athens-Clarke County government allowing for some controlled residential or commercial development in the greenbelt and/or rural parts of our community?	53%	78%	59%	58%	62%	51%	76%	54%	67%	56%	65%	60%

Table 32: Use of Athens Transit

Percent "at least once in the last 12 months"	Age			Sex		Race/ethnicity		Housing tenure		Housing unit type		Overall
	18-34	35-54	55+	Female	Male	White alone, not Hispanic	Hispanic and/or other race	Rent	Own	Detached	Attached	
How frequently, if at all, did you use Athens Transit in the last 12 months?	32%	24%	12%	26%	22%	21%	32%	32%	16%	22%	28%	25%