

**Santa Cruz County CAP, Year 13, 2007
Telephone Survey Results by Gender**

1. Which of the following areas do you live closest to?

Response	Male	Female
Aptos	21.5%	13.8%
Capitola	14.3%	9.9%
City of Santa Cruz	16.3%	24.1%
City of Watsonville	16.0%	21.6%
Corralitos	4.4%	4.9%
Davenport / Bonny Doon	2.2%	0.7%
Freedom	1.6%	2.7%
La Selva	2.0%	1.3%
Live Oak	1.8%	2.4%
San Lorenzo Valley	9.8%	7.6%
Scotts Valley	3.8%	5.5%
Soquel	6.3%	5.6%
Total	352	359

2. Are you a parent or guardian of a child (or children) under the age of 18?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	22.4%	31.1%
No	77.6%	68.9%
Total	352	359

3. Are you a parent or guardian of a child (or children) under the age of 6?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	39.6%	58.8%
No	60.4%	41.2%
Total	79	112

4. Do you currently have any children in local schools?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	65.0%	69.5%
No	35.0%	30.5%
Total	79	112

5a. Are they in Elementary School?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	37.5%	45.1%
No	62.5%	54.9%
Total	51	78

5b. Are they in Middle School?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	22.1%	26.1%
No	77.9%	73.9%
Total	51	78

5c. Are they in High School?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	65.3%	34.9%
No	34.7%	65.1%
Total	51	78

6a. Does (Do) your child (children)'s ELEMENTARY school(s) provide a safe environment for learning?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	92.5%	99.1%
No	7.5%	0.9%
Total	19	35

6b. Does (Do) your child (children)'s MIDDLE school(s) provide a safe environment for learning?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	100.0%	95.4%
No	0.0%	4.6%
Total	11	20

6c. Does (Do) your child (children)'s HIGH school(s) provide a safe environment for learning?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	100.0%	96.5%
No	0.0%	3.5%
Total	33	27

7a. How satisfied are you with your child (children)'s ELEMENTARY school education?

Response	Male	Female
Very satisfied	58.5%	68.6%
Somewhat satisfied	41.5%	31.4%
Total	18	35

7b. How satisfied are you with your child (children)'s MIDDLE school education?

Response	Male	Female
Very satisfied	49.9%	61.2%
Somewhat satisfied	47.8%	34.2%
Not at all satisfied	2.3%	4.6%
Total	11	20

7c. How satisfied are you with your child (children)'s HIGH school education?

Response	Male	Female
Very satisfied	23.7%	49.6%
Somewhat satisfied	73.4%	39.3%
Not at all satisfied	2.9%	11.1%
Total	33	27

8. Does (Do) your child (children) have enough activities after school and on weekends?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	89.0%	68.9%
No	11.0%	31.1%
Total	51	76

9. How important do you think attending a quality preschool is to a child's success in school?

Response	Male	Female
Very important	65.9%	75.7%
Somewhat important	25.5%	19.4%
Not at all important	8.7%	4.8%
Total	337	348

10. Do you use a computer in your home?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	77.4%	79.6%
No	22.6%	20.4%
Total	352	359

11. How important do you think bilingual education is?

Response	Male	Female
Very important	40.0%	52.0%
Somewhat important	42.8%	33.0%
Not at all important	17.2%	15.0%
Total	333	351

11a. Why do you feel this way? Those indicating that bilingual education is: "Very important."

Response	Male	Female
Many Spanish-speaking people	23.3%	18.6%
Everyone should speak English	6.4%	7.4%
Important to speak more than one language	22.4%	30.1%
Increases understanding / communication	32.3%	14.6%
Increases career opportunities	4.1%	7.7%
Equal opportunity to learn	1.3%	2.1%
Diverse population	5.7%	9.8%
Not effective / Learning suffers for English speakers	0.0%	0.2%
Preserves other cultures and languages	4.4%	1.5%
Other	0.0%	8.1%
Total	133	177

11b. Why do you feel this way? Those indicating that bilingual education is: "Somewhat important."

Response	Male	Female
Many Spanish-speaking people	12.9%	14.5%
Everyone should speak English	27.8%	21.1%
Important to speak more than one language	27.7%	28.0%
Increases understanding / communication	11.7%	19.2%
Increases career opportunities	0.0%	4.6%
Equal opportunity to learn	0.0%	0.8%
Diverse population	4.6%	4.3%
Not effective / Learning suffers for English speakers	0.6%	3.1%
Preserves other cultures and languages	0.5%	0.0%
Only for transitional purposes	10.8%	1.4%
Other	3.5%	2.9%
Total	131	112

11c. Why do you feel this way? Those indicating that bilingual education is: "Not at all important."

Response	Male	Female
Everyone should speak English	83.4%	70.8%
Important to speak more than one language	0.0%	1.5%
Not effective / Learning suffers for English speakers	15.2%	25.9%
Other	1.4%	1.9%
Total	47	52

12. Overall, how satisfied are you with our local system of education?

Response	Male	Female
Very satisfied	19.0%	22.9%
Somewhat satisfied	58.3%	54.7%
Not at all satisfied	22.8%	22.4%
Total	282	308

13. What are the most serious problems facing the local schools today?

Response	Male	Female
Funding	32.6%	38.1%
Overcrowded classes	4.7%	12.7%
Poor facilities	1.6%	0.2%
Quality of teachers	15.5%	8.5%
Low teacher pay	7.8%	7.8%
Administrative problems	9.2%	6.5%
Insufficient staff	0.4%	1.3%
Gangs	6.2%	8.5%
Drugs/ Alcohol	3.4%	5.9%
Discipline	3.1%	6.4%
Violence / Crime	9.0%	6.9%
Racial tension / Racism	1.9%	1.0%
Lack of parental involvement	2.3%	5.2%
Poor quality education	7.7%	10.3%
Curriculum (subjects taught	14.6%	5.0%
Bilingual education	7.2%	6.3%
Not enough art / music education	1.7%	2.2%
Lack of respect	0.8%	2.7%
Transportation	0.5%	1.3%
Decline in enrollment	2.1%	0.5%
Community involvement	1.1%	0.8%
Other	2.1%	0.3%
Don't know	9.8%	11.8%
No child left behind law/testing	0.8%	1.8%
Total Cases	342	358
Total Responses	498	544

14. What are the best things happening in the local schools today?

Response	Male	Female
Good teachers	18.9%	16.3%
More parent / community involvement	8.4%	6.2%
Better teaching methods	1.4%	5.9%
The students	3.2%	1.0%
Bilingual education	1.5%	5.2%
Curriculum	2.5%	5.7%
Improved education	9.4%	5.9%
Technology (computers)	3.2%	2.5%
Innovative programs	4.0%	4.3%
Extra curricular activities	12.7%	9.4%
Art / Music programs	2.9%	9.6%
Class size reduction	0.4%	1.9%
More general awareness / communication	1.4%	4.2%
Alternative school (private / charter / etc.)	4.2%	2.8%
Multicultural activities	1.4%	6.2%
Building new schools / Improving facilities	0.7%	0.4%
Other	0.4%	0.7%
Don't know	47.0%	36.5%
Testing	0.3%	0.5%
Math / Science classes / programs	0.2%	1.5%
Total Cases	324	339
Total Responses	402	429

15. How safe would you say you feel in your neighborhood?

Response	Male	Female
Very safe	62.0%	67.4%
Somewhat safe	34.6%	30.7%
Not at all safe	3.4%	1.9%
Total	352	359

16. Do you feel children have a safe place to play in your neighborhood?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	73.0%	61.0%
No	23.3%	34.7%
Don't Know	3.7%	4.3%
Total	351	350

17. How concerned are you about crime in Santa Cruz County?

Response	Male	Female
Very concerned	43.6%	42.4%
Somewhat concerned	42.2%	52.8%
Not at all concerned	14.3%	4.8%
Total	350	358

18. How effective do you think law enforcement is in our community?

Response	Male	Female
Very effective	30.9%	39.6%
Somewhat effective	64.4%	57.8%
Not at all effective	4.6%	2.5%
Total	339	341

19. How concerned are you about family violence?

Response	Male	Female
Very concerned	45.2%	56.8%
Somewhat concerned	42.7%	33.5%
Not at all concerned	12.1%	9.8%
Total	341	347

20. Do you or your family have a disaster preparedness plan or kit?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	51.1%	47.4%
No	48.9%	52.6%
Total	351	359

21. Do you feel you are better off this year than last year?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	44.0%	40.1%
No	56.0%	59.9%
Total	341	351

21a. If you feel you are not better off this year than last year (economically), why do you feel this way?

Response	Male	Female
Cost of living increased	35.7%	46.5%
Additional expenses / Debt	6.0%	9.1%
Less income	5.7%	18.9%
On a fixed income (i.e., social security, welfare, student)	9.9%	12.7%
Unemployed	4.1%	11.9%
Wages stagnant	24.3%	9.7%
The same, doing OK	9.2%	7.2%
Stock market / Investments	9.1%	0.9%
Overall economy has dropped / Recession	6.7%	3.9%
Utility costs / Energy crisis	2.8%	4.1%
Gas prices	20.9%	16.2%
Governmental control	5.5%	1.1%
Businesses are closing / Lay offs	1.4%	1.2%
Divorce / Single parent	0.0%	3.9%
Other	3.5%	0.5%
No jobs	3.2%	0.9%
Taxes	1.5%	0.0%
Disabled	0.4%	0.9%
Real estate	1.5%	1.0%
Health Care	0.0%	0.8%
Total Cases	188	205
Total Responses	285	310

21b. Are you building assets (saving money for the future) through any of the following savings options?

Response	Male	Female
Savings Account	64.4%	72.5%
IRA	33.8%	47.0%
Roth IRA	8.0%	11.0%
401K	26.4%	28.9%
403 B7	6.1%	7.1%
457	4.8%	1.4%
SEP	3.4%	3.4%
Other	0.2%	0.1%
Not building assets	16.1%	16.2%
Real estate	4.4%	1.4%
Retirement through Employer	3.5%	2.5%
Funds through employer but individual contributes	0.8%	4.2%
Stocks	9.9%	7.9%
Annuities	1.0%	1.5%
Total Cases	338	347
Total Responses	618	712

22. Do you feel you have opportunities to work in this area?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	71.3%	66.5%
No	21.5%	23.3%
Don't Know	7.2%	10.3%
Total	340	345

22a. If you feel you do not have opportunities to work in this area, why do you feel this way?

Response	Male	Female
Cost of living increased	4.2%	2.8%
Not enough jobs	35.0%	33.7%
Disabled / Retired	18.4%	23.5%
Low-paying jobs	12.6%	10.2%
Need training / skills / education	4.4%	9.0%
Child care expensive / Better off to stay at home	0.9%	1.1%
Age	7.0%	25.4%
Work over the hill	5.9%	8.6%
No jobs in my position	32.9%	12.5%
Other	1.4%	2.4%
Total Cases	73	79
Total Responses	90	102

23. How much of your total household take-home pay (income after taxes) goes to rent or housing costs? Housing costs are considered any type of payment having to do with housing, such as rent or mortgage payments.

Response	Male	Female
30% or less	49.9%	49.9%
Between 31% and 49%	27.6%	23.0%
Between 50% and 74%	18.0%	21.2%
75% or more	4.5%	5.9%
Total	321	324

23a. Has the cost of housing caused you to (those spending one-half or more of their income on rent / housing):

Response	Male	Female
Share housing with other families?	72.8%	43.8%
Live temporarily with family / friends?	33.9%	63.5%
Live in an overcrowded unit?	17.8%	13.3%
Live in a housing unit without adequate plumbing, heat, or e	6.4%	9.5%
Move when you didn't want to?	27.1%	20.1%
Other	5.9%	3.3%
Total Cases	37	40
Total Responses	61	61

24. In any given month in the last 12 months, did you find yourself having to go without basic needs such as child care, health care, food, or housing?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	5.3%	6.3%
No	94.7%	93.7%
Total	352	359

24a. If you found yourself having to go without basic needs in the last 12 months, what did you go without?

Response	Male	Female
Health care (including dental)	74.8%	61.8%
Food / Limited food choices	23.1%	19.4%
Child care	7.6%	17.2%
Rent / housing	4.0%	12.6%
Entertainment	5.5%	3.5%
Other	0.0%	9.1%
Total Cases	19	23
Total Responses	22	28

25. Have you needed health care (including alternative health care) in the past year and been unable to receive it?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	8.5%	5.7%
No	91.5%	94.3%
Total	352	356

25a. Why couldn't you receive it?

Response	Male	Female
Couldn't afford it	29.9%	40.5%
Insurance wouldn't cover it	44.9%	27.5%
No insurance	13.5%	27.0%
Medi-Cal (problems)	0.0%	5.1%
Other	11.7%	0.0%
Total	30	18

26. Do you have health insurance?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	85.6%	91.9%
No	14.4%	8.1%
Total	352	358

27a. Does your health insurance cover prescriptions?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	86.9%	91.5%
No	13.1%	8.5%
Total	289	327

27b. Does your health insurance cover mental health?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	76.5%	86.6%
No	23.5%	13.4%
Total	227	245

27c. Does your health insurance cover your dependents?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	52.6%	43.4%
No	13.1%	13.7%
Don't Know	34.3%	42.9%
Total	295	329

27d. Does your health insurance cover dental care?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	68.0%	65.1%
No	32.0%	34.9%
Total	300	327

28. Do you have a regular source of health care? (Regular source of health care is where you usually go when you need to see a doctor)

Response	Male	Female
Yes	89.0%	93.0%
No	11.0%	7.0%
Total	352	358

28a. If yes, where do you go?

Response	Male	Female
Private doctor	52.7%	55.8%
Medical clinics (e.g., Santa Cruz Medical Clinic)	52.1%	48.0%
Urgent care clinics (Doctors on Duty, 24 hour urgent care)	12.7%	10.6%
Emergency room	14.7%	9.9%
Community clinic (Salud Para La Gente, Planned Parenthood)	7.2%	5.6%
HMO / Kaiser	10.9%	9.3%
Alternative care practices	10.3%	4.2%
Other	0.7%	0.1%
VA Hospital	0.8%	0.1%
Total Cases	309	332
Total Responses	500	477

29. People are able to write down what kind of medical treatment they want if they can no longer speak for themselves, using a form like a living will or advance directive. Do you have your end-of-life wishes for medical treatment in a written document?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	36.9%	50.0%
No	63.1%	50.0%
Total	344	353

30. How long has it been since you last visited a dentist, hygienist, or orthodontist?

Response	Male	Female
Have never visited	0.2%	0.4%
1 to 6 months ago	77.9%	70.7%
7 to 12 months ago	5.9%	6.5%
More than one year, up to 2 years ago	8.6%	5.2%
More than 2 years, up to 5 years ago	4.3%	10.2%
More than 5 years ago	3.0%	6.9%
Total	349	359

31. Would you say that in general your mental health, which includes stress, depression and problems with emotions is:

Response	Male	Female
Excellent	34.7%	37.3%
Very good	33.3%	37.3%
Good	20.0%	16.3%
Fair	8.3%	6.8%
Poor	3.8%	2.3%
Total	350	353

32. How many days per week do you engage in physical activity (such as brisk walking or gardening) for a combined total of 30 minutes or more?

Response	Male	Female
None	6.3%	8.3%
1 - 2 days	14.0%	10.4%
3 - 4 days	25.3%	35.0%
5 or more days	54.5%	46.3%
Total	352	359

33. Other than during pregnancy, has a doctor ever told you that you have diabetes or pre- diabetes?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	8.6%	10.7%
No	91.4%	89.3%
Total	343	357

33a. Were you told it was:

Response	Male	Female
Diabetes	70.7%	29.3%
Pre-diabetes	29.3%	70.7%
Total	26	38

34. Do you now smoke cigarettes every day, some days, or not at all?

Response	Male	Female
Every day	9.2%	5.1%
Some days	2.2%	3.3%
Not at all	88.6%	91.6%
Total	351	359

35. Considering all types of alcoholic beverages, during the past 30 days about how many times did you have 5 or more drinks on an occasion? An occasion is considered about 2 hours.

Response	Male	Female
None	87.5%	91.1%
One time	7.2%	5.0%
2 times	0.9%	1.8%
3 or more times	4.4%	2.1%
Total	349	359

36. How acceptable do you think it is for adults to provide alcohol in their home to youth?

Response	Male	Female
Acceptable	6.9%	4.3%
Somewhat acceptable	25.6%	25.1%
Not at all acceptable	67.6%	70.7%
Total	336	348

37. How acceptable do YOU find the use of marijuana for recreational or non-medicinal use?

Response	Male	Female
Acceptable	21.3%	13.9%
Somewhat acceptable	30.8%	22.4%
Not at all acceptable	48.0%	63.7%
Total	338	350

38a. Why do you feel this way? Those indicating "Acceptable"

Response	Male	Female
O.K. for medical use	12.3%	26.3%
Acceptable	26.8%	25.0%
People should have choice	36.2%	22.3%
Should be legal	6.8%	7.4%
Liberal / Tolerant	3.7%	6.1%
Many people use it	5.6%	0.7%
Harmless / Similar to alcohol	55.3%	47.8%
Other	2.4%	2.0%
Growers here/ readily available	0.0%	1.2%
Total Cases	67	47
Total Responses	100	65

38b. Why do you feel this way? Those indicating "Somewhat acceptable"

Response	Male	Female
O.K. for medical use	25.7%	16.9%
Acceptable	3.0%	7.4%
People should have choice	19.8%	35.4%
Should be legal	6.7%	2.9%
Liberal / Tolerant	7.1%	7.9%
Young people use it	1.0%	0.6%
Hippies	13.4%	0.0%
Many people use it	6.5%	2.3%
Harmless / Similar to alcohol	35.2%	32.8%
Not acceptable	1.5%	2.7%
Illegal	0.0%	2.5%
Addicted to it	0.8%	0.0%
Leads to other drugs	3.4%	0.0%
Other	0.0%	1.0%
Growers here/ readily available	0.0%	0.8%
Total Cases	101	76
Total Responses	125	87

38c. Why do you feel this way? Those indicating "Not at all acceptable"

Response	Male	Female
O.K. for medical use	4.5%	6.0%
Acceptable	0.7%	0.0%
People should have choice	0.6%	0.6%
Should be legal	0.5%	0.2%
Liberal / Tolerant	0.0%	0.4%
Young people use it	0.5%	0.2%
Hippies	0.0%	0.8%
Many people use it	0.4%	0.4%
Harmless / Similar to alcohol	1.1%	1.6%
Not acceptable	27.6%	15.1%
Should not be legal	0.9%	3.3%
Illegal	34.3%	18.1%
Bad for health	39.4%	42.3%
Addicted to it	4.4%	9.6%
Leads to other drugs	11.6%	16.7%
Leads to crime	2.3%	4.4%
Other	4.0%	1.3%
Upbringing/religious reasons	1.5%	1.8%
Total Cases	152	197
Total Responses	204	241

39. How big of a problem do you consider methamphetamine drug use to be in our community?

Response	Male	Female
A big problem	71.9%	70.3%
Somewhat of a problem	23.6%	27.0%
Not at all a problem	4.6%	2.7%
Total	308	298

40. Do you eat 5 or more servings of fruits and vegetables a day? A serving is 1 medium apple or a cereal bowl full of salad. Fresh, frozen, canned, or 100% juice or dried fruits or vegetables all count.

Response	Male	Female
Yes	49.3%	61.1%
No	50.7%	38.9%
Total	344	355

41. Body Mass Index in adults.

Response	Male	Female
Low BMI (Less than 18.5)	0.2%	6.0%
Normal BMI (18.5 -24.9)	34.9%	58.9%
Overweight (BMI 25.0 -29.9)	49.4%	26.3%
Obese (BMI 30.0 or more)	15.5%	8.7%
Total	345	328

42. How satisfied are you with what is being done in Santa Cruz County to preserve open space such as wildlife habitat and farmland?

Response	Male	Female
Very satisfied	38.4%	42.2%
Somewhat satisfied	49.8%	51.7%
Not at all satisfied	11.9%	6.1%
Total	322	342

43. Are you taking steps to reduce your household water consumption?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	82.7%	88.6%
No	17.3%	11.4%
Total	350	358

43a. If yes, have you done any of the following:

Response	Male	Female
Installed a low-flow toilet	68.4%	76.3%
Installed a low-flow showerhead	66.6%	64.1%
Use a hose end nozzle or use timers to water	70.5%	75.5%
Upgraded appliances to low-flow (washing machines and dishwashers)	51.2%	47.2%
Planted low- water landscaping	52.9%	53.7%
Other	7.6%	3.5%
Always turn off the water /always conserve	7.9%	7.7%
Use gray water to water garden	0.9%	1.2%
Water in evening or early morning	0.4%	0.9%
Have own well	1.0%	1.4%
Take shorter showers.	7.2%	2.8%
Don't wash car as often	3.6%	2.3%
Only run fill load in washing machines	0.0%	1.0%
Don't flush the toilets as often	1.9%	1.4%
Drip irrigation system	3.7%	0.3%
Total Cases	287	312
Total Responses	985	1059

44. Do you take steps to reduce water pollution in your daily activities?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	74.8%	77.7%
No	25.2%	22.3%
Total	296	314

44a. How?

Response	Male	Female
Recycle	10.4%	5.9%
Use biodegradable products	9.1%	15.7%
Eliminate pesticides	2.9%	3.9%
Don't put chemicals in the water/drain	27.1%	39.4%
Pick up litter	1.6%	1.7%
Have a septic system	1.7%	2.4%
Don't wash cars/ don't let anything down street drains	23.1%	11.7%
Generally, try not to pollute	13.9%	10.2%
Recycle Oil	5.2%	7.0%
Use car wash	3.5%	2.0%
Other	1.4%	0.0%
Total	196	215

45. How often do you use transportation other than your own car (rideshare, bus, bicycle, etc.)?

Response	Male	Female
Frequently	11.4%	16.4%
Sometimes	29.5%	24.4%
Never	59.1%	59.2%
Total	351	359

46. What would encourage you to use alternative forms of transportation?

Response	Male	Female
Nothing / wouldn't use it	12.8%	15.3%
Too difficult to use with children	0.0%	1.2%
Already use it	5.5%	4.3%
Occasionally use it	1.5%	1.3%
If car broke down	1.8%	4.5%
Free transit	1.8%	1.0%
Rapid transit	0.3%	0.4%
Light rail / Train	3.0%	4.8%
More bus stops	2.3%	3.3%
More frequent bus schedule / Convenience	10.1%	17.4%
Different work schedule / Commuting over the hill	17.5%	1.5%
Good urban transportation	2.8%	2.1%
Easier access	5.5%	13.1%
Public transportation in certain areas	9.0%	5.6%
Expense of gasoline	8.5%	3.8%
More / safer / better bike paths	1.8%	3.2%
Knowing it was good for the environment	1.2%	0.6%
Unable to drive / Lost drivers license	3.0%	6.6%
More efficient / Time conscience system / Dependable	1.7%	4.6%
Other	4.9%	1.0%
Disabled	2.3%	1.2%
High gas prices / Cost of transportation	2.7%	3.0%
Total	296	287

47. What one thing concerns you the most about the natural environment in Santa Cruz County?

Response	Male	Female
Water pollution (ocean/river/bay)	17.1%	28.5%
Air pollution (car emissions)	15.0%	12.5%
General pollution	11.5%	7.0%
Noise pollution	0.3%	1.4%
Water quality	4.2%	1.4%
Water availability / Salt water intrusion	8.7%	4.0%
Litter	4.0%	11.0%
Traffic / Too many cars	15.2%	11.6%
Development of open space / Agricultural land	11.6%	14.4%
No preservation of natural environment / wildlife	9.0%	5.0%
Pesticides / Herbicides	3.7%	3.8%
Cutting down trees / Commercial logging	2.4%	4.4%
Overpopulation	10.2%	9.8%
Global warming	3.9%	4.7%
Government control / Politicians	1.7%	0.3%
Not enough recycling	0.0%	0.2%
Green belt	0.6%	0.2%
Wild animals coming near property	1.0%	0.0%
Fire/ fire hazards with brush	1.0%	1.2%
Total Cases	265	261
Total Responses	321	316

48. Do you regularly do volunteer work in the community?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	37.3%	42.3%
No	62.7%	57.7%
Total	352	358

48a. If yes, where do you volunteer?

Response	Male	Female
Alcohol / drug / counseling groups	2.4%	2.6%
Arts / Culture organizations	8.0%	6.9%
Church	24.4%	28.4%
Environmental organization / Activities	5.0%	16.0%
Health organizations	4.7%	9.9%
Library	0.8%	1.4%
Political organizations	3.7%	1.4%
Senior organizations	4.9%	7.7%
Service organizations	27.0%	7.7%
School	28.5%	29.5%
Youth organizations	9.6%	5.6%
Poverty / Homeless assistance	7.6%	12.7%
Community Centers / Recreation Centers / Sports	13.1%	9.2%
Other	0.6%	2.5%
Fire/police dept.	1.0%	0.4%
Total Cases	130	151
Total Responses	184	214

49. Do you regularly contribute money to charitable organizations?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	74.0%	74.7%
No	26.0%	25.3%
Total	352	356

49a. Will you give...

Response	Male	Female
Less than last year	27.4%	16.9%
More than last year	15.1%	19.6%
About the same as last year	57.4%	63.5%
Total	254	258

50. How often do you use community resources such as nonprofits or social service agencies to help you handle your family’s financial, educational or social needs?

Response	Male	Female
Always	1.1%	1.7%
Frequently	1.3%	4.7%
Sometimes	5.8%	6.8%
Rarely	15.9%	19.5%
Never	75.9%	67.4%
Total	352	356

51. How often are you able to get help from family members or friends to handle emotionally difficult times such as a family crisis or parenting challenge?

Response	Male	Female
Always	43.5%	55.3%
Frequently	14.6%	21.0%
Sometimes	12.7%	7.6%
Rarely	14.6%	3.4%
Never	14.6%	12.7%
Total	325	356

52. Have you felt discriminated against in Santa Cruz County in the last 12 months?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	18.1%	18.2%
No	81.9%	81.8%
Total	350	356

52a. For what reason have you felt discriminated against in Santa Cruz County in the last 12 months?

Response	Male	Female
Age	10.6%	13.6%
Appearance	11.0%	2.9%
Ethnicity / race	51.1%	46.4%
Gender	4.6%	3.1%
Language	4.6%	40.0%
Religion	9.2%	8.2%
Sexual preferences	2.2%	0.8%
Socioeconomic status	10.5%	8.7%
White race / Non-Hispanic	9.3%	16.3%
A disability	1.3%	5.0%
Other	10.0%	8.0%
Total Cases	59	63
Total Responses	74	97

53. Do you think racism is a problem locally?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	41.0%	59.9%
No	59.0%	40.1%
Total	330	336

54. Have you been without housing in Santa Cruz County during the past year? (Homeless, in a shelter, on the street, or living in your vehicle)?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	1.4%	0.7%
No	98.6%	99.3%
Total	352	359

55. Have you or a member of your household, been diagnosed by a physician with a disability that significantly limits one or more major life activities?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	18.3%	15.2%
No	81.7%	84.8%
Total	351	355

55a. What are the age or ages of the person(s) diagnosed with a disability?

Response	Male	Female
0 to 5 years	0.0%	0.9%
6 to 18 years	1.7%	3.4%
19 or 24 years	21.8%	5.1%
25 to 34 years	1.7%	6.6%
35 to 44 years	6.7%	20.3%
45 to 54 years	15.6%	9.1%
55 to 64 years	20.2%	16.7%
65 to 74 years	12.0%	8.1%
75 to 84 years	27.2%	29.6%
85 years and over	0.0%	17.8%
Total Cases	62	49
Total Responses	66	58

56. Is the person(s) with a disability participating in community life at the levels he or she desires?

Response	Male	Female
Yes	60.5%	66.1%
No	39.5%	33.9%
Total	59	52

56a. If no, in what areas would you /they like to increase their involvement?

Response	Male	Female
Work/Donate Time	14.4%	16.9%
Social Events/ Activities	38.8%	26.9%
Continued Education	5.5%	5.5%
Limited Ability to get around/get out more	32.3%	21.2%
All aspects of life	3.5%	8.6%
Other	5.5%	20.9%
Total	19	11

56b. What types of additional services are needed to allow you/them to increase involvement?

Response	Male	Female
Academic Counseling / Tutoring	33.8%	19.3%
Personal Attendants	41.5%	23.2%
Specialized transportation/ mobility device	31.7%	43.6%
Social/recreational services or supports	36.6%	35.9%
Job development / employment training / coaching	37.7%	30.7%
Financial planning / management	33.8%	25.6%
Don't know	21.9%	6.4%
Total Cases	17	12
Total Responses	41	23

57. Generally speaking, what contributes most to your quality of life in Santa Cruz County?

Response	Male	Female
Clean air	8.7%	8.4%
Church	0.5%	0.5%
Close to everything	1.7%	4.3%
Community / Low population / Slow pace	8.1%	4.3%
Cultural activities / Entertainment	3.9%	4.4%
Diversity of people	15.3%	9.3%
Family / Friends / Friendly people	8.5%	22.0%
Job / Economic opportunity	2.2%	1.8%
Many different things	2.7%	1.7%
Outdoor recreation	10.7%	5.5%
Quiet / Peaceful	7.5%	9.4%
Scenery / Geography / Climate	73.4%	72.5%
Social climate	6.3%	7.4%
Lived here all my life	4.3%	2.5%
Safe / Low crime	1.2%	0.7%
Other	0.0%	0.7%
Tolerant community/liberal	1.4%	1.7%
Total Cases	347	347
Total Responses	544	545

58. What do you think takes away from your quality of life?

Response	Male	Female
Cost of living / Housing	18.9%	21.3%
Overcrowding	10.5%	10.9%
Homeless	13.9%	4.9%
Low wage / Poor economic opportunities	2.0%	1.6%
Road conditions	4.4%	1.9%
Traffic	32.5%	29.6%
Gangs / Crime	5.4%	14.2%
Lack of safety / Violence	1.4%	8.7%
Politics / Too liberal	6.6%	6.7%
Unplanned growth	2.0%	1.3%
Government (city/council)	6.3%	3.3%
Quality of educational system environment	0.7%	1.3%
Nothing for youth to do	0.2%	0.6%
Drug and alcohol use	2.7%	1.8%
Not enough shopping / Too few services	0.4%	3.3%
Lack of culture	2.4%	0.5%
Lack of diversity	0.9%	0.3%
Racial / Class segregation	7.4%	3.3%
Tourists	1.4%	6.8%
Disregard of the natural	0.8%	2.0%
Nothing takes away from quality of life	2.4%	3.5%
Development / Environmental abuse	2.9%	2.1%
Overcast weather (fog/rain)	0.8%	1.0%
Lack of transportation	0.4%	1.7%
Law Enforcement / Police	2.1%	0.0%
Immigration / Illegal Immigrants	2.9%	1.8%
Total Cases	316	304
Total Responses	418	409

59. Now thinking about all the issues we have talked about, if you could make a major change locally, what would it be?

Response	Male	Female
Affordable housing	7.9%	12.7%
Any homeless issue	3.7%	5.0%
Traffic	12.6%	5.4%
Improve highways 1 & 17	10.2%	4.8%
Better planned development	4.2%	5.6%
Stop growth / Slow growth	7.5%	5.7%
More bike and pedestrian trails	0.8%	1.2%
Alternative transportation	5.4%	15.8%
Higher wages / Lower cost of living	3.0%	3.5%
Jobs / Job training	1.8%	2.5%
Improve schools	11.0%	16.0%
Crime	13.0%	5.2%
No violence / drugs / gangs	4.8%	12.1%
Eliminate chain businesses / Support small business	0.5%	0.7%
Improve local government / Government officials	12.3%	7.1%
Clean up pollution, land and water	6.6%	5.4%
Tolerance / Equality	5.6%	3.6%
Eliminate racism / Discrimination	3.0%	3.8%
More recreational facilities	3.3%	2.5%
Other	0.8%	1.1%
More street lights/ road maintenance	0.9%	1.3%
Limit UCSC growth	2.0%	0.9%
More health care	1.7%	1.6%
Total Cases	294	295
Total Responses	360	364

60. Which of the following age groups are you in?

Response	Male	Female
18 years or less	3.4%	1.4%
19 or 24 years	3.1%	2.3%
25 to 34 years	9.8%	6.6%
35 to 44 years	9.4%	20.5%
45 to 54 years	22.1%	17.2%
55 to 64 years	23.8%	17.6%
65 to 74 years	15.2%	17.8%
75 to 84 years	11.9%	13.2%
85 years and over	1.3%	3.4%
Total	347	356

61. Which of the following best describes your racial/ethnic group?

Response	Male	Female
Caucasian	72.3%	71.1%
Latino / Hispanic	23.0%	23.1%
Native American	0.7%	1.9%
African American	0.2%	0.1%
Filipino	0.4%	0.0%
Pacific Islander	0.3%	0.3%
Asian	0.9%	1.6%
Multi-racial / multi-ethnic	2.3%	1.9%
Total	344	354

62. Which income range best describes your household income? Stop me when I get to the correct amount.

Response	Male	Female
Less than \$15,000 per year	7.3%	11.3%
\$15,000 - \$24,999 per year	8.2%	10.7%
\$25,000 - \$34,999 per year	6.1%	11.0%
\$35,000 - \$49,999 per year	15.5%	11.0%
\$50,000 - \$65,499 per year	11.1%	11.1%
\$65,500 - \$99,999 per year	18.2%	29.3%
\$100,000 to \$149,999 per year	23.0%	10.0%
Over \$150,000	10.6%	5.7%
Total	320	323

63. Do you own or rent your home?

Response	Male	Female
Own	76.0%	77.3%
Rent	24.0%	22.7%
Total	347	353

64. How long have you lived in Santa Cruz County?

Response	Male	Female
Under 1 year	0.0%	1.3%
1 – 2 years	2.1%	3.5%
3 – 5 years	5.1%	10.7%
6 – 10 years	16.2%	11.1%
11 – 15 years	11.2%	14.0%
16 – 20 years	11.9%	13.0%
Over 20 years	53.5%	46.5%
Total	348	357

65. What is your employment status?

Response	Male	Female
Employed full-time	43.3%	24.0%
Employed part-time	7.1%	12.7%
Unemployed	3.5%	8.1%
Retired	31.9%	35.9%
Student	3.5%	2.1%
Homemaker, parent or caregiver	0.0%	11.2%
Self-employed	10.7%	6.1%
Total	346	356

66. Respondent's gender.

Response	Male	Female
Male	100.0%	0.0%
Female	0.0%	100.0%
Total	352	359