

## CAP 6: Respondent Profiles by Region

- Indicates statistically significant survey responses in the 2000 data.

### 1. Do you have children in local schools? ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	20.6	42.1	29.2
No	79.4	57.9	70.8
Total	344	195	113

### 2. If yes, are they in:

#### Elementary ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	47.9	64.6	81.8
No	52.1	35.4	18.2
Total	71	79	33

#### Middle School

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	29.6	30.4	24.2
No	70.4	69.6	75.8
Total	71	79	33

#### High School ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	36.6	43.0	15.2
No	63.4	57.0	84.8
Total	71	79	33

## 3. How often do you participate in activities at your child(ren)'s school(s)?

## Elementary

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Often	51.4	35.3	63.0
Sometimes	37.8	56.9	33.3
Never	10.8	7.8	3.7
Total	37	51	27

## Middle School

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Often	33.3	20.8	12.5
Sometimes	50.0	66.7	50.0
Never	16.7	12.5	37.5
Total	18	24	8

## High School

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Often	26.9	36.4	20.0
Sometimes	53.8	36.4	60.0
Never	19.2	27.3	20.0
Total	26	33	5

## 4. Does your child(ren)'s school provide a safe environment for learning?

## Elementary

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	97.3	88.2	96.3
No	0.0	11.8	3.7
Don't know	2.7	0.0	0.0
Total	37	51	27

4. Does your child(ren)'s school provide a safe environment for learning? *(continued)***Middle School**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	88.9	83.3	100.0
No	11.1	16.7	0.0
Total	18	24	8

**High School**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	76.9	69.7	40.0
No	19.2	27.3	60.0
Don't know	3.8	3.0	0.0
Total	26	33	5

## 5. How satisfied are you with the substance abuse prevention program at your child(ren)'s school?

**Elementary**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Very satisfied	32.4	49.0	33.3
Somewhat satisfied	32.4	17.6	33.3
Not at all satisfied	2.7	9.8	7.4
Don't know	32.4	23.5	25.9
Total	37	51	27

**Middle School**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Very satisfied	22.2	41.7	25.0
Somewhat satisfied	44.4	37.5	50.0
Not at all satisfied	5.6	4.2	12.5
Don't know	27.8	16.7	12.5
Total	18	24	8

5. How satisfied are you with the substance abuse prevention program at your child(ren)'s school? *(continued)*

**High School**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Very satisfied	30.8	30.3	20.0
Somewhat satisfied	23.1	39.4	60.0
Not at all satisfied	19.2	21.2	20.0
Don't know	26.9	9.1	0.0
Total	26	33	5

6. How satisfied are you with your child(ren)'s education?

**Elementary**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Very satisfied	54.1	72.5	63.0
Somewhat satisfied	40.5	23.5	37.0
Not at all satisfied	5.4	3.9	0.0
Total	37	51	27

**Middle School ■**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Very satisfied	22.2	70.8	25.0
Somewhat satisfied	77.8	25.0	62.5
Not at all satisfied	0.0	4.2	12.5
Total	18	24	8

**High School**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Very satisfied	23.1	38.2	40.0
Somewhat satisfied	73.1	55.9	40.0
Not at all satisfied	3.8	5.9	20.0
Total	26	34	5

7. Do(es) your child(ren) have enough activities after school and on weekends? ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	94.4	80.0	100.0
No	5.6	20.0	0.0
Total	71	80	33

8. Do you use the library on a regular basis?

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	41.5	43.2	51.3
No	58.5	56.3	47.8
Don't know	0.0	0.5	0.9
Total	342	192	113

9. Does at least one person in your household use computers? ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	84.1	64.9	82.3
No	15.9	35.1	17.7
Total	346	194	113

10. If yes, is the computer used at:

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Home	85.2	71.4	89.4
Work	64.6	54.8	83.0
School	40.2	46.0	43.6
Library	18.6	24.6	22.3
Other	2.1	2.4	2.1
Responses	613	251	226
Cases	291	126	94

11. If you responded yes to question 9, are you using the Internet? ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	87.9	73.0	95.7
No	11.7	21.4	4.3
Don't know	0.3	5.6	0.0
Total	290	126	93

**12. How important do you think bilingual education is? ■**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Very important	46.8	59.0	36.3
Somewhat important	28.0	21.5	32.7
Not at all important	18.2	15.4	23.9
Don't know	6.9	4.1	7.1
Total	346	195	113

**13. Why do you feel this way?**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Many Spanish-speaking people	27.2	18.8	27.1
Everyone should speak English	22.3	24.6	30.8
Important to speak more than one language	25.1	23.6	22.4
Increases understanding / communication	19.2	18.3	11.2
Increases career opportunities	2.5	11.5	4.7
Equal opportunity to learn	0.9	0.0	0.0
Other	3.4	1.0	3.7
Don't know	1.2	2.1	0.9
Responses	329	191	108
Cases	323	191	107

**14. Overall, how satisfied are you with our local system of education? ■**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Very satisfied	15.0	31.8	17.7
Somewhat satisfied	41.0	31.8	40.7
Not at all satisfied	13.9	13.3	15.0
Don't know	30.1	23.1	26.5
Total	346	195	113

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

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Funding	39.6	19.2	38.4
Gangs	6.1	14.5	2.7
Overcrowded classes	14.5	10.4	14.3
Quality of teachers	6.9	7.8	9.8
Curriculum	2.0	2.1	3.6
Drugs	5.2	13.5	4.5
Discipline	3.2	3.1	4.5
Violence / crime	8.7	13.5	3.6
Lack of parental involvement	4.0	3.6	5.4
Low teacher pay	8.7	6.2	8.0
Poor quality education	4.9	1.6	5.4
Racial tension / racism	0.3	1.0	0.0
Bilingual education	2.0	3.1	1.8
Poor facilities	1.2	1.0	1.8
Not enough art / music education	1.2	0.0	2.7
Administrative problems	2.6	2.6	2.7
Lack of respect	1.7	0.5	0.9
Insufficient staff	2.3	1.0	1.8
Lack of student participation	0.3	0.5	1.8
Academic standards	0.3	1.0	0.9
Truancy / lack of supervision	0.6	1.0	0.0
Other	6.9	9.3	3.6
Don't know	19.4	19.2	18.8
Responses	493	262	153
Cases	346	193	112

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

<b>Response</b>	<b>North County</b>	<b>South County</b>	<b>San Lorenzo Valley</b>
Good teachers	10.5	11.5	8.1
Technology	8.7	12.0	15.3
Class size reduction	8.4	3.7	8.1
More parent / community involvement	5.2	6.8	5.4
Innovative programs	7.3	6.8	3.6
Better teaching methods	3.2	5.2	3.6
Extra curricular activities	3.8	3.7	2.7
More general awareness / communication	4.4	6.8	7.2
The students	1.5	1.0	0.9
Art / Music programs	6.1	3.1	3.6
Bilingual education	0.9	6.8	0.0
Alternative schools (private / charter / etc.)	2.6	1.6	3.6
Curricula	4.1	6.3	2.7
Improved education	2.9	4.2	2.7
Sports	0.9	0.0	0.9
Multicultural activities / diversity	1.5	0.0	0.9
Building new schools / improving facilities	0.3	1.0	2.7
Other	3.2	7.3	4.5
Don't know	41.9	31.4	40.5
Responses	403	228	130
Cases	344	191	111

**17. How safe would you say you feel in your neighborhood? ■**

<b>Response</b>	<b>North County</b>	<b>South County</b>	<b>San Lorenzo Valley</b>
Very safe	73.0	64.6	82.3
Somewhat safe	25.8	29.2	16.8
Not at all safe	1.2	6.2	0.9
Total	345	195	113

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

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	69.9	66.2	67.3
No	21.4	27.2	23.0
Don't know	8.7	6.7	9.7
Total	345	195	113

**19. How concerned are you about crime in Santa Cruz County? ■**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Very concerned	33.8	51.3	30.1
Somewhat concerned	46.2	35.4	52.2
Not at all concerned	18.8	11.3	17.7
Don't know	1.2	2.1	0.0
Total	346	195	113

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

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Very effective	38.7	43.1	43.4
Somewhat effective	42.8	44.1	44.2
Not at all effective	6.6	4.1	8.0
Don't know	11.8	8.7	4.4
Total	346	195	113

**21. How concerned are you about family violence? (includes domestic violence, child abuse, and senior abuse)**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Very concerned	61.0	63.6	63.7
Somewhat concerned	28.3	23.1	30.1
Not at all concerned	8.7	10.3	5.3
Don't know	2.0	3.1	0.9
Total	346	195	113

**22. Do you feel you are better off this year than last year? (economically)**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	52.0	52.3	60.7
No	43.0	45.1	37.5
Don't know	4.9	2.6	1.8
Total	344	193	112

**23. If no, why do you feel this way?**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Cost of living increased	41.9	44.9	39.5
Less income	12.2	16.9	15.8
On a fixed income	35.8	27.0	47.4
Unemployed	4.7	11.2	7.9
Less Income	0.0	1.1	0.0
Additional expenses / debt	0.7	4.5	0.0
Situation limits on numbers of hours worked	0.7	1.1	0.0
Family change (divorce, etc.)	0.0	1.1	0.0
Wages stagnate	1.4	2.2	0.0
The same / we are doing OK	7.4	3.4	2.6
Don't know	0.0	2.2	0.0
Other	5.4	6.7	5.3
Responses	163	109	45
Cases	148	89	38

**24. Do you feel you have opportunities to work in this area? ■**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	60.2	67.0	54.0
No	35.4	28.4	44.2
Don't know	4.4	4.6	1.8
Total	342	194	113

## 25. If no, why do you feel this way?

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Cost of living increased	6.9	1.8	4.1
Not enough jobs	31.9	32.7	42.9
Disabled / retired	19.8	25.5	14.3
Low-paying jobs	49.1	14.5	44.9
Retired / age	4.3	1.8	4.1
Too much temporary work	0.0	1.8	0.0
Childcare too expensive so stay home	0.9	1.8	2.0
You have to speak English	0.0	5.5	0.0
Not well enough educated / need training / skills	0.9	7.3	0.0
Don't know	0.9	1.8	0.0
Other	3.4	12.7	0.0
Responses	137	59	55
Cases	116	55	49

## 26. Does one-half (50%) of your total household take home pay (income after taxes) go to rent/housing costs?

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	46.8	56.9	47.3
No	49.1	42.1	50.0
Don't know	4.0	1.0	2.7
Total	346	195	112

## 27. If yes, does three-fourths (75%) of your total household take home pay (income after taxes) go to rent/housing cost? ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	32.3	45.5	20.0
No	54.2	49.1	74.0
Don't know	13.5	5.4	6.0
Total	155	112	50

27a. If you responded yes to question 26, has the cost of housing caused you to:

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Share housing with other families	46.3	63.0	38.9
Live temporarily with family / friends	47.6	51.9	33.3
Live in an overcrowded unit	17.1	31.5	11.1
Live in a housing unit without adequate plumbing, heat, or electricity	2.4	7.4	0.0
Move when you didn't want to	29.3	27.8	50.0
Expensive to live here	0.0	3.7	0.0
Had to seek financial assistance	2.4	0.0	0.0
Other	2.4	0.0	11.1
Responses	121	100	26
Cases	82	54	18

28. In any given month, do you find yourself having to go without basic needs such as childcare, healthcare, food or clothing? ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	14.2	16.0	3.6
No	85.8	84.0	96.4
Total	345	194	111

28a. If yes, what do you go without?

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Healthcare (including dental)	36.7	50.0	33.3
Food / limits food choices	63.3	40.0	100.0
Clothing	18.4	16.7	33.3
Childcare	16.3	23.3	33.3
Rent / housing	2.0	3.3	0.0
Entertainment	2.0	3.3	0.0
Automobile	0.0	3.3	0.0
Other	6.1	3.3	0.0
Responses	71	43	6
Cases	49	30	3

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

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	16.5	18.5	16.8
No	83.5	81.5	83.2
Total	346	195	113

**30. If yes, why couldn't you receive it?**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Couldn't afford it	48.1	36.1	45.5
Insurance wouldn't cover it	27.8	30.6	54.5
No insurance	33.3	41.7	9.1
Medical (problems)	0.0	13.9	0.0
Responses	59	44	12
Cases	54	36	11

**31. Do you have health insurance? ■**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	88.6	68.2	91.2
No	11.4	31.8	8.8
Total	343	192	113

**32. If yes, does your health insurance cover:**

**Medical care (office visits)**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	95.1	100.0	98.1
No	3.9	0.0	1.9
Don't know	1.0	0.0	0.0
Total	304	131	103

32. If yes, does your health insurance cover: *(continued)***Prescriptions**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	90.8	91.5	93.2
No	6.6	7.7	5.8
Don't know	2.6	0.8	1.0
Total	303	130	103

**Substance abuse(drug and alcohol abuse)**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	51.0	51.2	56.9
No	7.3	7.0	2.9
Don't know	41.7	41.9	40.2
Total	302	129	102

**Your dependents**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	63.0	77.6	73.5
No	21.5	17.6	18.4
Don't know	15.6	4.8	8.2
Total	289	125	98

## 32a. Do you also have additional health insurance coverage for:

**Long-term care (nursing home) ■**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	19.4	18.1	20.8
No	58.3	71.1	58.5
Don't know	22.3	10.8	20.8
Total	314	166	106

32a. Do you also have additional health insurance coverage for: *(continued)*

## Dental care

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	56.3	43.4	61.7
No	41.8	54.2	37.4
Don't know	1.9	2.4	0.9
Total	316	166	107

## 33. Do you have a regular source of health care?

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	86.6	87.2	89.4
No	13.4	12.8	10.6
Total	344	195	113

## 34. If yes, where do you go?

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Private doctor	58.1	52.1	70.0
Medical clinics	38.3	27.8	33.0
Urgent care clinics	8.1	3.6	7.0
Emergency room	1.3	0.0	2.0
Community clinic	2.7	17.8	0.0
HMO	1.3	1.2	3.0
Alternative care practices	0.3	0.0	1.0
Other	1.7	0.0	0.0
Responses	333	173	116
Cases	298	169	100

## 35. Do you have a regular source of dental care? ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	77.4	67.7	84.1
No	22.6	32.3	15.9
Total	345	195	113

36. Would you say that in general, your physical health (including physical illness and injury) is: ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Excellent	26.9	20.5	25.7
Very good	44.8	27.7	38.9
Good	22.3	28.2	26.5
Fair	6.1	20.0	7.1
Poor	0.0	3.6	1.8
Total	346	195	113

37. Would you say than in general, your mental health (which includes stress, depression and problems with emotions) is: ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Excellent	33.5	23.1	38.1
Very good	41.3	34.9	39.8
Good	19.7	26.2	15.0
Fair	4.3	13.8	7.1
Poor	1.2	2.1	0.0
Total	346	195	113

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

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
None	9.0	17.9	16.8
1 - 2 days	24.0	14.9	18.6
3 - 4 days	37.6	27.2	38.1
5 or more days	29.5	40.0	26.5
Total	346	195	113

39. How often do you use tobacco? ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Never	75.1	87.7	83.0
Sometimes	15.3	5.6	11.6
Always	9.5	6.7	5.4
Total	346	195	112

**40. How many times a week do you drink more than 2 alcoholic drinks in one sitting?**

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Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Never	58.0	75.4	71.4
1	17.1	17.4	13.4
2	14.2	4.6	9.8
3	6.4	1.0	0.9
4	1.7	0.5	0.9
5	1.4	0.0	0.9
6	0.0	0.5	0.0
7	1.2	0.5	2.7
Total	345	195	112

**41. How acceptable do you find the use of marijuana for recreational or non-medical use?**

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Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Acceptable	29.8	13.3	23.2
Somewhat acceptable	31.8	14.9	18.8
Not at all acceptable	35.5	67.7	57.1
Don't know	2.9	4.1	0.9
Total	346	195	112

**42. How acceptable do you think our community finds the use of marijuana for recreational or non-medicinal use?**

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Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Acceptable	51.2	28.7	40.2
Somewhat acceptable	35.5	36.4	40.2
Not at all acceptable	7.2	24.1	9.8
Don't know	6.1	10.8	9.8
Total	346	195	112

## 43. Why do you think our community feels this way?

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
O.K. for medical use	7.6	11.5	3.8
Acceptable	7.0	6.0	4.8
Not acceptable	4.9	15.4	10.5
People should have choice	2.4	4.4	1.9
Should not be legal	1.5	3.3	0.0
Should be legal	3.0	1.1	3.8
Liberal / tolerant	44.5	21.4	41.0
Hippies	9.5	1.1	8.6
Many people use it	20.7	25.3	21.9
Harmless / similar to alcohol	10.1	3.3	7.6
College students / reputation of UCSC	5.2	1.6	7.6
Available / accessible / grown here	.3	0.0	1.0
Illegal / bad for health	1.5	5.5	1.0
Law enforcement ignores the issue	.3	0.0	0.0
Misinformation about bad effects / conservative thinking	.3	0.0	1.0
Addicted to it	0.0	2.7	1.9
The young people use it	0.3	1.6	0.0
Other	2.7	5.5	1.9
Don't know	1.8	6.0	2.9
Responses	406	211	127
Cases	328	182	105

## 44. How often do you or your family members use neighborhood parks?

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Frequently	34.4	29.7	31.0
Sometimes	39.6	44.1	50.4
Never	26.0	26.2	18.6
Total	346	195	113

45. How are we doing as a County to address drinking water quality? ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Getting better	8.6	26.5	7.5
Getting worse	21.7	12.4	18.9
Staying the same	69.7	61.2	73.6
Total	304	170	106

46. How are we doing as a County to preserve open space? ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Getting better	22.1	37.3	28.7
Getting worse	31.8	30.3	40.7
Staying the same	46.1	32.4	30.6
Total	330	185	108

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

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Frequently	26.9	19.2	8.0
Sometimes	24.6	27.5	23.0
Never	48.6	53.4	69.0
Total	346	193	113

## 47a. What would encourage you to use alternative forms of transportation? ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Easier access	2.1	3.5	3.9
Nothing / wouldn't use it / not now / have children	40.3	46.5	58.8
Light rail / train	3.5	1.2	1.0
Already use it	14.2	16.3	2.9
Public transportation in certain areas	0.7	1.7	2.9
More frequent bus schedule / convenience	8.3	12.8	5.9
Rapid transit	3.1	0.0	2.9
Different work schedule / commuting over the hill	1.0	0.0	1.0
More bus stops	0.7	0.6	1.0
Good urban transportation	0.3	0.0	2.9
More / safer / better bike paths	4.2	0.0	1.0
Occasionally use it	1.7	1.7	0.0
Knowing it was good for the environment	1.0	0.6	1.0
Free transit	3.1	1.2	2.0
If car broke down	4.2	2.9	6.9
Expense of gasoline	2.4	2.9	0.0
Other	5.9	3.5	2.0
Don't know	3.1	4.7	3.9
Total	288	172	102

**48. What one thing concerns you the most about the natural environment?**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Water pollution (ocean/river/bay)	14.9	10.2	13.5
Air pollution (primary car emissions)	11.1	9.1	7.2
Pollution	28.0	30.5	23.4
Water quality	10.5	12.3	16.2
Water availability / salt water intrusion	1.2	2.1	4.5
Development of open space / agricultural land	11.1	8.6	9.9
No preservation of natural environment / wildlife	9.9	10.2	12.6
Traffic / too many cars	16.3	12.3	16.2
Pesticides / herbicides	2.9	12.3	0.9
Cutting down trees / commercial logging	5.2	5.3	7.2
Overpopulation	15.7	3.7	12.6
Litter	1.7	5.9	1.8
Noise pollution	0.3	0.0	0.0
Local government is unconcerned	0.3	0.0	0.0
Not enough regulations	0.0	0.5	0.0
Lack of recycling	0.9	0.5	0.0
Over consumption of resources / destroying the earth	1.2	2.1	0.9
Nothing, doing a good job now	1.2	5.3	1.8
Global warming	0.3	0.5	0.0
Other	1.2	1.1	2.7
Don't know	0.9	1.1	0.0
Responses	462	250	146
Cases	343	187	111

**49. Do you regularly do volunteer work in the community? ■**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	40.8	30.4	54.5
No	59.2	69.6	45.5
Total	346	194	112

50. If yes, where do you volunteer?

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Arts / Culture organizations	12.1	5.0	6.6
Environmental organization/ activities	9.3	8.3	6.6
Health organizations	8.6	11.7	14.8
Youth organizations	11.4	6.7	18.0
Senior organizations	10.7	6.7	9.8
Political organizations	4.3	5.0	4.9
School	34.3	45.0	42.6
Church	20.7	25.0	16.4
Alcohol / drug / counseling groups	3.6	1.7	3.3
Service organizations	12.1	6.7	9.8
Library	1.4	1.7	0.0
Other	2.1	6.7	1.6
Responses	183	78	82
Cases	140	60	61

51. Do you regularly contribute money to charitable organizations? ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	62.4	57.4	73.0
No	37.6	42.6	27.0
Total	346	195	111

52. If yes, will you give:

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Less than last year	7.9	9.8	4.9
More than last year	24.1	18.8	24.7
About the same as last year	66.2	68.8	70.4
Don't know	1.9	2.7	0.0
Total	216	112	81

53. Do you think racism is a problem locally? ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	53.5	60.0	41.1
No	35.8	31.3	43.8
Don't know	10.7	8.7	15.2
Total	346	195	112

54. Have you felt discriminated against in Santa Cruz County in the last three years? ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	18.3	27.6	13.5
No	81.7	72.4	86.5
Total	345	192	111

55. If yes, for what reason?

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Ethnicity / race	39.3	50.0	28.6
Gender	21.3	17.9	50.0
Age	16.4	0.0	0.0
Language	6.6	37.5	0.0
Appearance	18.0	14.3	21.4
Socioeconomic status	6.6	3.6	0.0
White race / Non-Hispanic	6.6	10.7	28.6
Religion	0.0	5.4	0.0
Sexual Preferences	3.3	8.9	0.0
Other	8.2	14.3	0.0
Responses	77	91	18
Cases	61	56	14

56. How prepared are you for a natural disaster? ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Very prepared	13.3	22.1	20.4
Somewhat prepared	53.8	51.8	60.2
Not at all prepared	32.1	26.2	18.6
Don't know	0.9	0.0	0.9
Total	346	195	113

**57. Do you vote in every election? ■**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	66.5	50.3	73.5
No	33.5	49.7	26.5
Total	346	195	113

**58. If no, why don't you vote? ■**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Not a citizen	8.0	45.4	6.9
Don't want to vote	3.6	6.2	3.4
No time	11.6	9.3	20.7
Not informed about issues	18.8	4.1	17.2
Poor quality of candidates / parties	2.7	0.0	0.0
Vote major elections / important issues only	3.6	3.1	3.4
Apathy / Lack of interest / laziness	9.8	4.1	13.8
Not registered / not registered locally	22.3	21.6	24.1
Voting has not effect	8.0	2.1	10.3
Other	2.7	3.1	0.0
Forget	8.9	1.0	0.0
Total	112	97	29

**59. In your opinion, how important is voting?**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Very important	77.7	82.5	82.3
Somewhat important	15.2	10.3	9.7
Not at all important	3.8	4.6	6.2
Don't know	3.2	2.6	1.8
Total	341	194	113

**60. Have you been without a home in Santa Cruz County during the past year?  
(homeless, in a shelter, on the street, or living in your vehicle)**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	2.3	1.5	0.9
No	97.7	98.5	99.1
Total	345	195	112

**61. If yes, why did you become homeless?**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Unemployed / lost job	50.0	33.3	0.0
Evicted / lost home	25.0	33.3	0.0
No money	37.5	100.0	0.0
Ran away	12.5	0.0	0.0
Drug / alcohol problem	0.0	0.0	100.0
Responses	10	5	1
Cases	8	3	1

**62. If you responded yes to question 60, has the lack of housing caused you / your family to:**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Lose a job	16.7	0.0	100.0
Miss school	33.3	0.0	0.0
Develop health problems	50.0	50.0	100.0
Develop emotional / stress-related problems	66.7	100.0	100.0
Responses	10	3	3
Cases	6	2	1

**63. Generally speaking, what one thing contributes to your quality of life in Santa Cruz County?**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Scenery / geography / climate	70.7	56.3	67.0
Family / friends / friendly people	25.5	23.4	29.5
Community / low population / slow pace	7.5	10.9	9.8
Church	3.2	2.6	6.3
Clean air	3.8	3.6	7.1
Diversity of people	9.0	3.1	3.6
Outdoor recreation	6.1	4.2	6.3
Cultural activities / entertainment	5.2	4.2	1.8
Social climate	3.2	3.1	3.6
Quiet / peaceful	4.3	15.1	4.5
Job / economic opportunity	1.7	7.8	0.9
Many different things	0.6	2.6	0.9
Close to everything	1.2	1.6	0.0
Its safe here	0.3	0.5	0.0
Other	2.9	2.1	0.9
Responses	501	271	159
Cases	345	192	112

## 64. What one thing do you think takes away from your quality of life?

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Road conditions	6.1	3.8	14.3
Traffic	33.3	26.9	27.7
Cost of living / housing	24.9	22.6	15.2
Homeless	2.3	1.6	3.6
Overcrowding	17.8	10.2	17.9
Gangs / crime	1.2	14.0	0.9
Politics / too liberal	2.0	1.1	6.3
Unplanned growth	2.3	3.2	0.9
Tourists	4.4	0.5	4.5
Racial / class segregation	0.3	4.3	0.9
Low wage / poor economic opportunities	10.8	8.6	10.7
Development / environmental abuse	4.4	3.2	0.0
Lack of safety / violence	0.9	1.6	3.6
Not enough shopping / too few services	0.9	2.2	1.8
Government (city / council)	3.5	2.2	7.1
Quality of educational system	0.3	1.1	0.9
Nothing takes away from quality of life	1.8	4.8	0.9
Disregard of the natural environment	0.9	1.1	0.9
Lack of culture	0.3	0.5	0.9
Nothing for youth to do	0.3	1.1	0.9
Drug and alcohol use	0.3	1.1	0.9
Lack of diversity	0.0	0.0	2.7
Other	6.7	7.0	6.3
Don't know	4.4	5.4	4.5
Responses	445	238	150
Cases	342	186	112

**65. Now thinking about all the issues we've talked about, if you could make one major change locally, what would it be?**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Traffic	24.7	14.1	24.1
Any homeless issue	4.9	3.6	2.7
Affordable housing	26.2	28.6	19.6
Improve schools	6.4	5.7	10.7
Eliminate racism / discrimination	0.9	3.6	0.9
Jobs / job training	6.1	8.3	5.4
Crime	0.9	6.8	2.7
Stop growth / slow growth	13.1	6.8	8.0
Better planned development	2.0	2.6	2.7
Improve highways 1 & 17	10.5	6.8	11.6
Eliminate chain businesses / support small business	2.6	0.5	3.6
Improve local government / government officials	3.2	0.5	7.1
More bike / pedestrian friendly	0.9	0.5	3.6
Alternative transportation	2.3	2.1	1.8
Higher wages / lower cost of living	7.6	6.8	5.4
More recreational facilities	2.9	3.6	1.8
No violence / drugs / gangs	2.0	12.5	0.0
Clean up pollution, land and water	2.6	2.1	1.8
Immigration laws	0.0	1.0	0.0
Tolerance / equality	0.6	2.6	1.8
Other	11.0	14.1	14.3
Don't know	3.8	4.7	4.5
Responses	465	265	150
Cases	344	192	112

**66. Are you a parent of a child(ren) under the age of 14? ■**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	24.3	49.2	32.0
No	75.7	50.8	68.0
Total	309	179	103

67. If yes, does someone care for your children in order for you to work, go to school or be in a training?

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Yes	44.0	61.4	48.5
No	56.0	38.6	51.5
Total	75	88	33

68. If yes, how satisfied are you with this arrangement?

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Very satisfied	68.6	81.5	75.0
Somewhat satisfied	28.6	16.7	12.5
Not at all satisfied	2.9	1.9	12.5
Total	35	54	16

69. Which of the following age groups are you in? ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
18 years or less	1.7	4.6	2.7
19 to 24 years	14.2	9.8	4.4
25 to 34 years	22.8	22.2	12.4
35 to 44 years	19.7	18.6	32.7
45 to 54 years	19.1	24.2	18.6
55 to 64 years	7.5	7.7	14.2
65 to 74 years	6.1	7.2	9.7
75 to 84 years	6.1	3.6	2.7
85 years and over	2.9	2.1	2.7
Total	346	194	113

**70. Which of the following best describes your ethnic group? ■**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Caucasian	76.9	39.1	89.4
Latino	9.5	54.2	4.4
Native American	1.4	0.5	0.9
African American	2.3	0.0	0.0
Filipino	0.3	0.5	0.0
Asian	4.9	1.6	2.7
Bi-racial	3.5	0.5	1.8
Other	1.2	3.6	0.9
Total	346	192	113

**71. Which income range best describes your household income? ■**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Less than \$15,000 per year	19.3	20.2	3.8
\$15,000 - \$24,999 per year	10.9	19.7	5.7
\$25,000 - \$34,999 per year	14.8	16.5	9.5
\$35,000 - \$44,999 per year	12.4	10.6	14.3
\$45,000 - \$64,999 per year	15.4	14.4	25.7
\$65,000 - \$80,000 per year	10.0	4.8	14.3
Over \$80,000 per year	17.2	13.8	26.7
Total	331	188	105

**72. What is the highest level of education you have completed? ■**

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Less than 9th grade	0.6	17.6	0.0
9th grade to 12th grade (no diploma)	2.0	9.3	0.0
High school diploma	15.2	24.9	17.9
Some college, no degree	32.7	21.2	33.0
AA degree	8.5	5.7	8.0
BA / BS degree	24.2	10.4	25.0
Graduate or professional degree	16.9	10.9	16.1
Total	343	193	112

## 73. Do you own or rent your home? ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Own	48.7	52.1	79.3
Rent	51.3	47.9	20.7
Total	341	194	111

## 74. What is your employment status? ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Employed full-time	40.2	46.9	40.5
Employed part -time	15.2	12.9	18.9
Unemployed	2.9	8.2	3.6
Retired	15.2	15.5	13.5
Student	10.5	5.2	1.8
Homemaker	5.0	7.2	9.9
Self-employed	11.1	4.1	11.7
Total	343	194	111

## 75. Where do you work? ■

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
At home	12.0	12.3	13.5
Santa Cruz County	63.3	66.7	48.3
Monterey County	2.3	10.9	4.5
Santa Clara County	17.8	7.2	27.0
Other	4.6	2.9	6.7
Total	259	138	89

## Gender:

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
Male	41.6	39.0	45.1
Female	58.4	61.0	54.9
Total	344	195	113

Language: ▣

Response	North County	South County	San Lorenzo Valley
English	98.3	71.3	100.0
Spanish	1.7	28.7	0.0
Total	343	195	112