

Age-Friendly Data Report Highlights

CITY OF POWELL
Minutes of 7/16/2019
Exhibit 2



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Survey Methodology

SURVEY METHODOLOGY

The Age-Friendly Delaware County Assessment began in 2018 with research of tailored survey designs, focus groups, data gap identification and an advisory group in order to determine the focus and design of the assessment process. Following these steps, the "My Life in Delaware County" survey tool was created. The survey tool included 75 questions divided between 7 sections. Cover letters, thank you/reminder letters and a reminder postcard were included in the mailings sent to residents during summer 2018.

All documents were sent to the Ohio Department of Health Institutional Review Board (IRB). Final documents underwent full review and the project was approved by the IRB.

A single sample frame was used to select which residents would receive the survey. Individuals were selected via random sampling from the Delaware County Board of Election Voter Registration Database. 1,500 registered voters age 55 and older were selected to become the sampling frame. This group was then sent a cover letter, survey and a pre-stamped envelope in which to return the survey. All sampled residents were then sent a letter as a reminder to return the survey or thank them for their participation. A few weeks later, a second survey packet was mailed to residents who had not yet responded. Lastly a reminder postcard was sent to any remaining residents who had not returned the survey. The timeline of mailings is shown below.

Returned survey responses were entered into a secure database. Data was cleaned and then analyzed using Stata software. A total of 766 valid surveys were included in the dataset for a response rate of 51%.

The full methodology report can be found at DelawareHealth.org/community-health-data



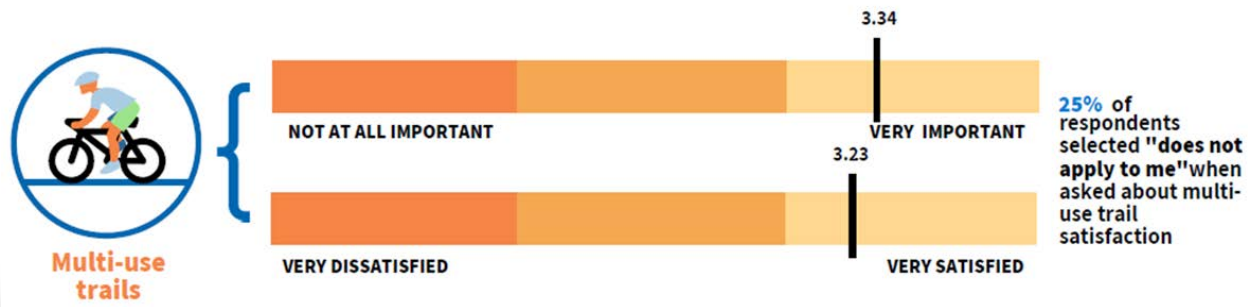
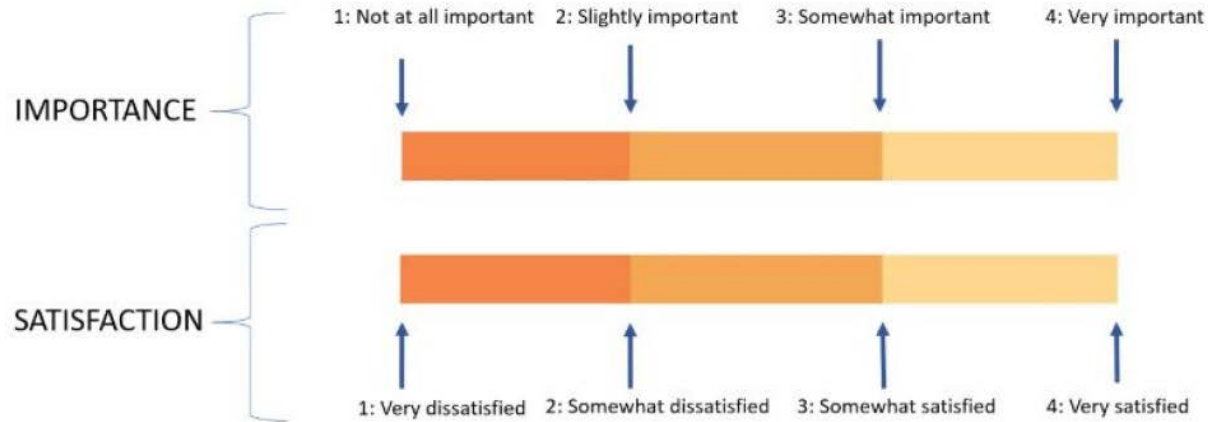
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Mailed survey

Survey sent to 1500 residents
55 and older

Over 50% completed surveys
returned

Data Interpretation



Outdoor Spaces and Buildings



**Well-maintained
sidewalks**



**Multi-use
trails**



**Tobacco-free
outdoor
spaces**



Parks



Playgrounds

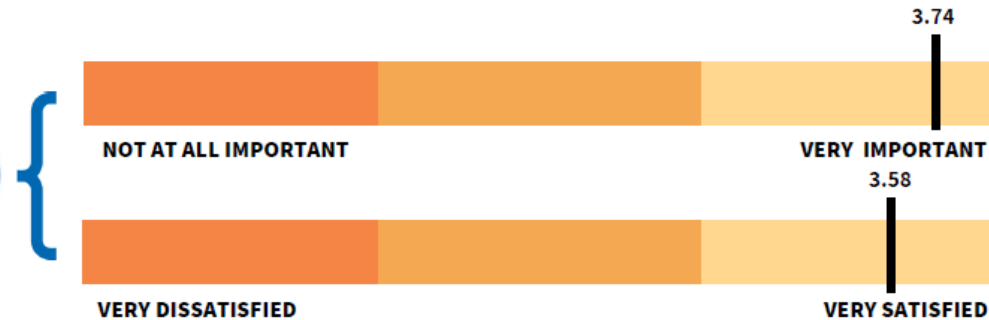


**Public
parking**

Outdoor Spaces and Buildings



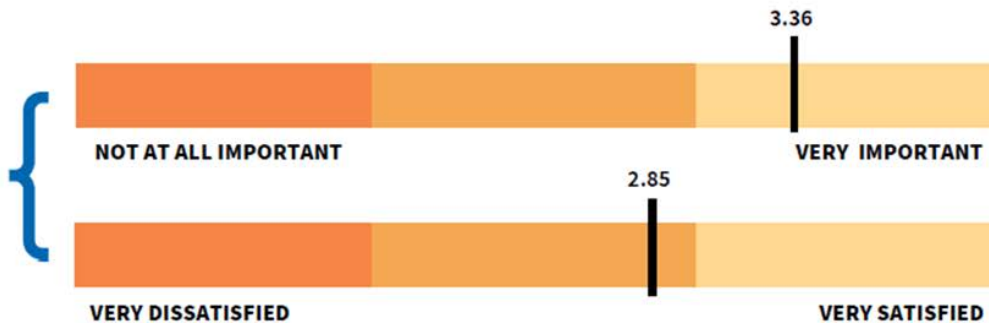
Parks



9% of respondents selected "does not apply to me" when asked about park satisfaction



Public parking



18% of respondents selected "does not apply to me" when asked about public parking satisfaction



Outdoor Spaces and Buildings

Are outdoor spaces accessible to those with different abilities?

68%	Yes
26%	Not sure
6%	No

Are public buildings accessible to those with different abilities?

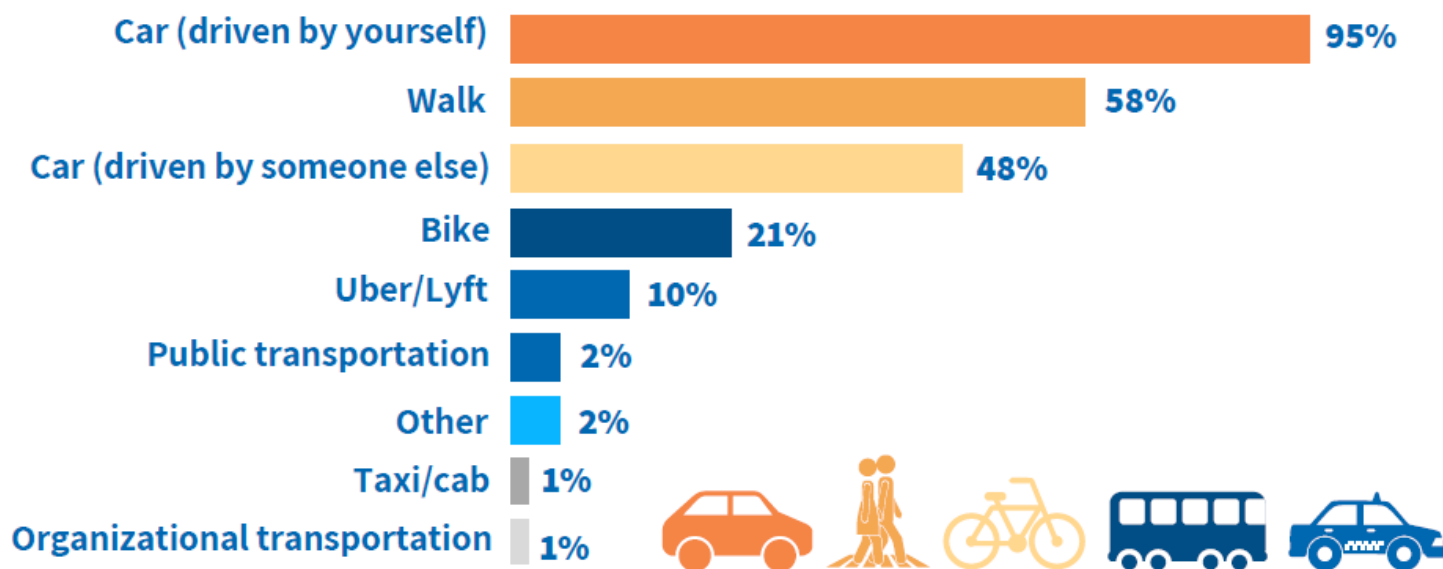
63%	Yes
37%	Not sure
0%	No

The trail surfaces are usually dirt or covered with mulch which is too hard for maneuvering.

Parking often is not nearby, steps or stairs are unavoidable, need periodic seating to rest. Remember, many handicapped are not in wheelchairs or scooters.

Transportation

Methods of transportation used by older adults in Delaware County



Transportation

Older adults identified biking and public transit as methods of transportation they wish they could utilize more.

We need more and safer bike lanes.

Bike more-connected paved paths.

Bike paths from neighborhoods don't exist.

Like to see rail transportation around the Columbus area.

I would use public transit more if it was available in the county.

Housing

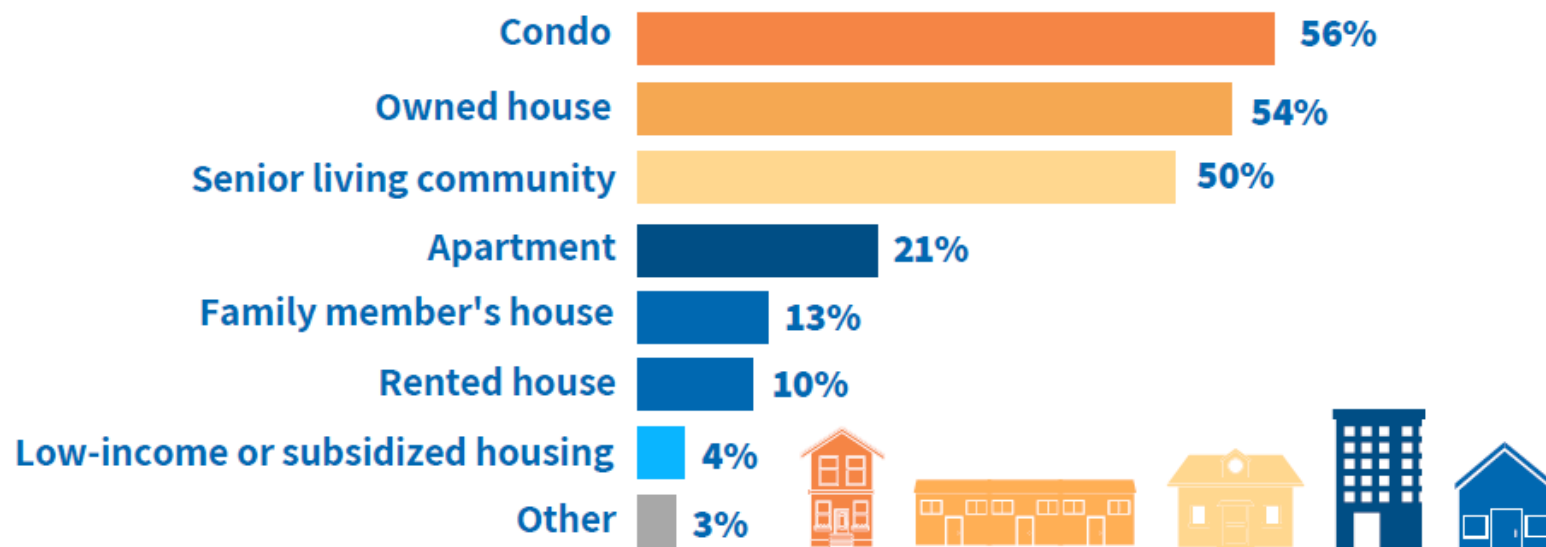
The majority of older adults find it important to stay in both their **community** and **current home** as they age:

89% find it important or very important to stay in their community

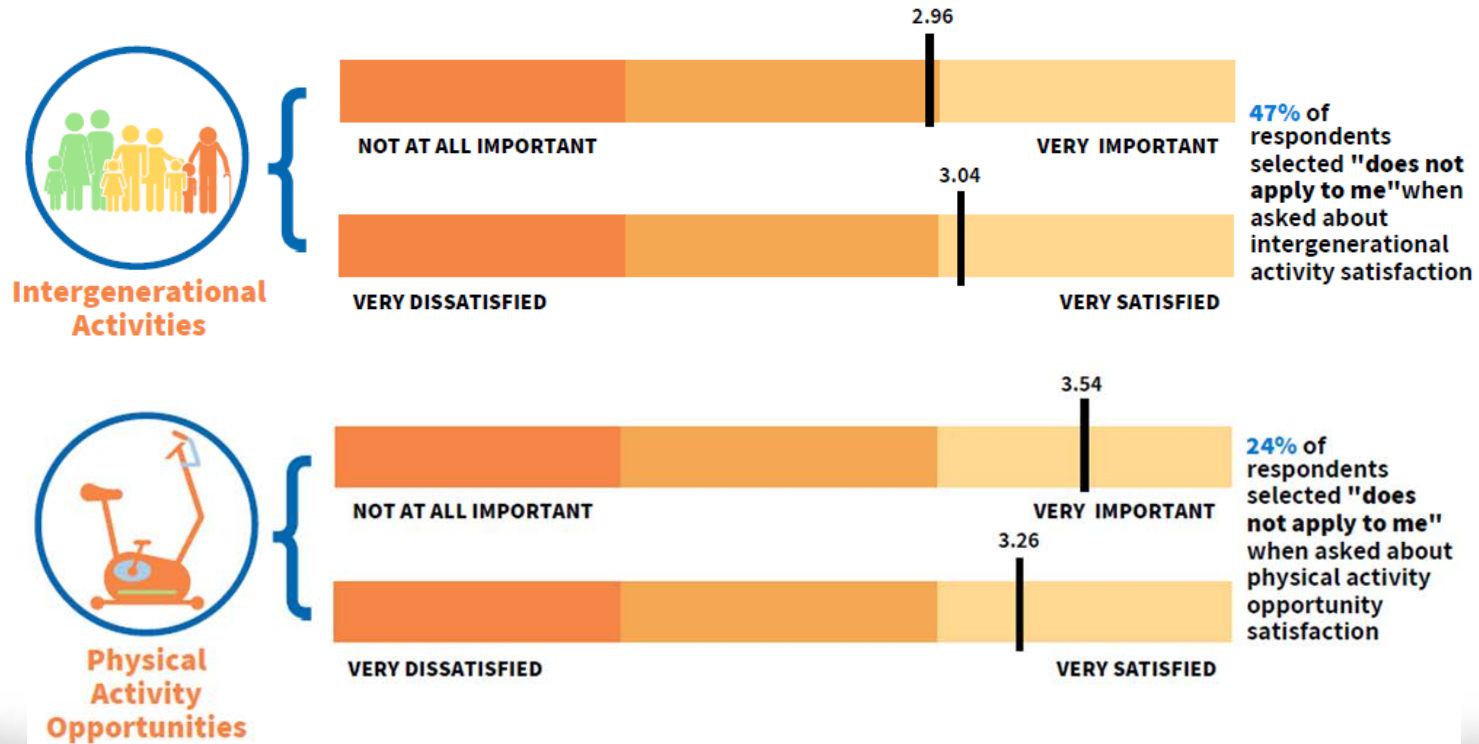
86% find it important or very important to stay in their current home

Housing

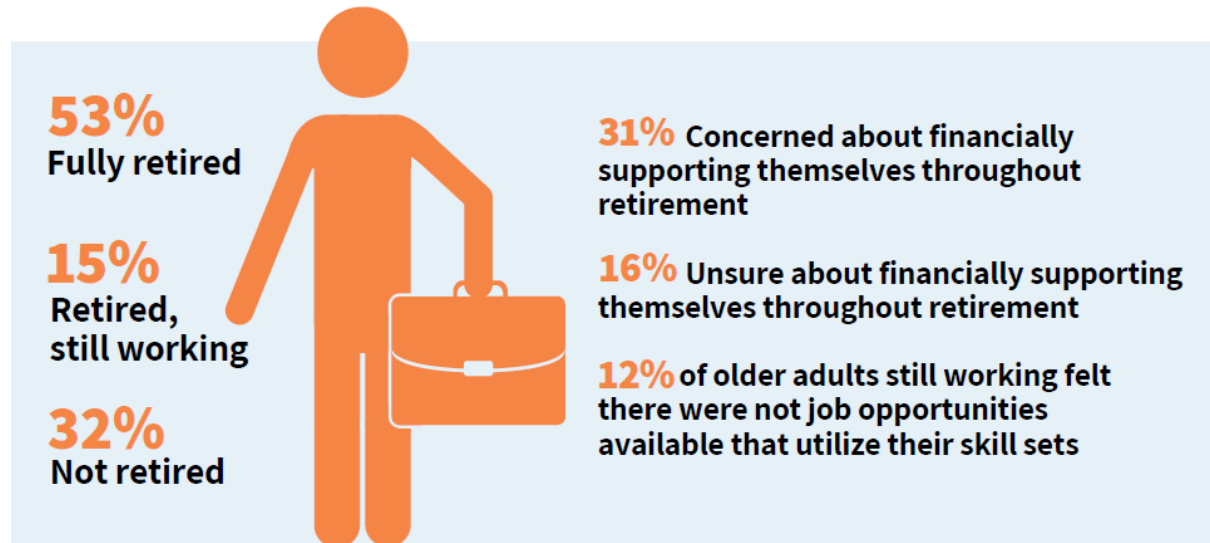
Older adults indicated they would consider the following housing types if they were to move in the future:



Community Engagement and Participation



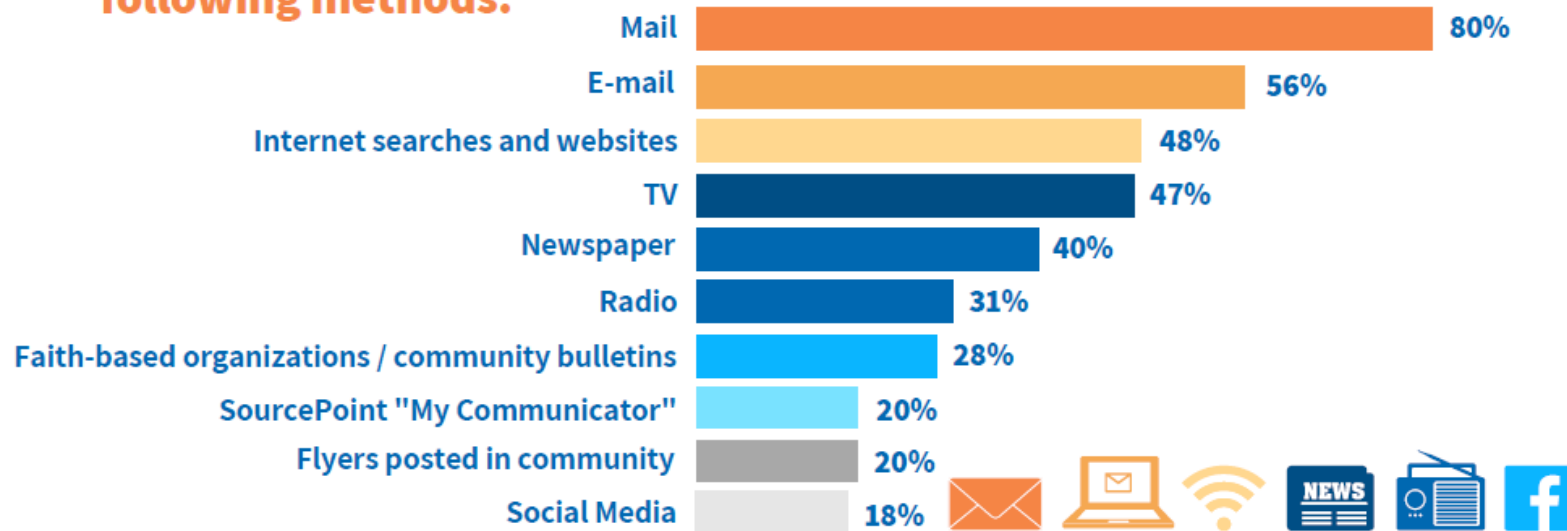
Community Engagement and Participation



“All in all, Delaware County is a great place to live and retire for those who can afford it.”

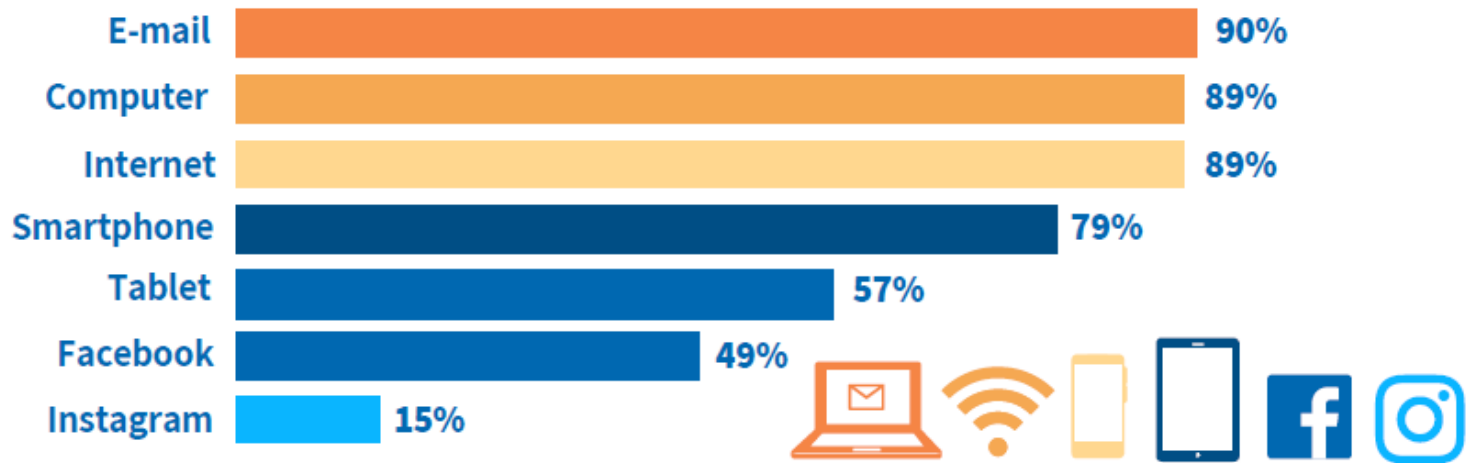
Communication and Information

Older adults would prefer to receive information by the following methods:



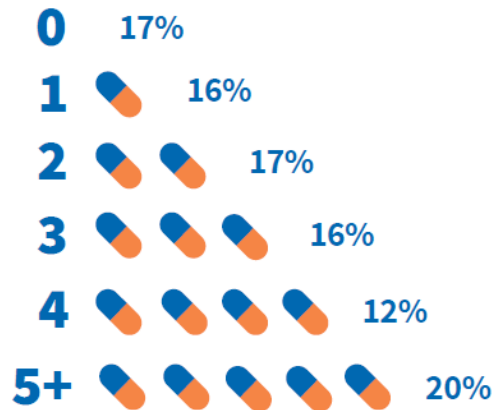
Communication and Information

Older adults reported using the following types of technology:



Community and Health Services

Number of prescription medications taken by older adults:



Of those older adults currently taking prescription medications, **54%** do not review their medications with a pharmacist every year.

3 out of every 100 adults have felt abused



8 out of every 100 older adults have been a victim of a financial scam



Community and Health Services

COMMUNITY AND HEALTH SERVICES

41% of Delaware County older adults are not aware of mental health services in their community

25% of Delaware County older adults are living with some sort of physical or mental limitation



Out of every 100 Delaware County older adults...



2 experience difficulty dressing or bathing



2 experience blindness or serious difficulty seeing, even when wearing glasses



4 experience difficulty concentrating, remembering, or making decisions due to a physical, mental or emotional condition



6 experience difficulty doing errands alone due to a physical, mental or emotional condition



11 experience deafness or serious difficulty hearing



16 experience difficulty walking or climbing stairs

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Respondent Demographics

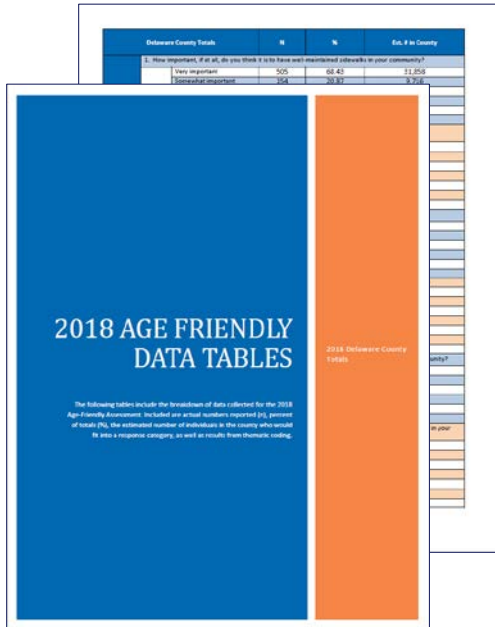
How likely are Delaware County older adults to move out of the County as they age?

36% Not at all likely	15% Don't know
22% Somewhat likely	9% Very likely
18% Slightly likely	

Top reasons given as to why older adults would move out of Delaware County:

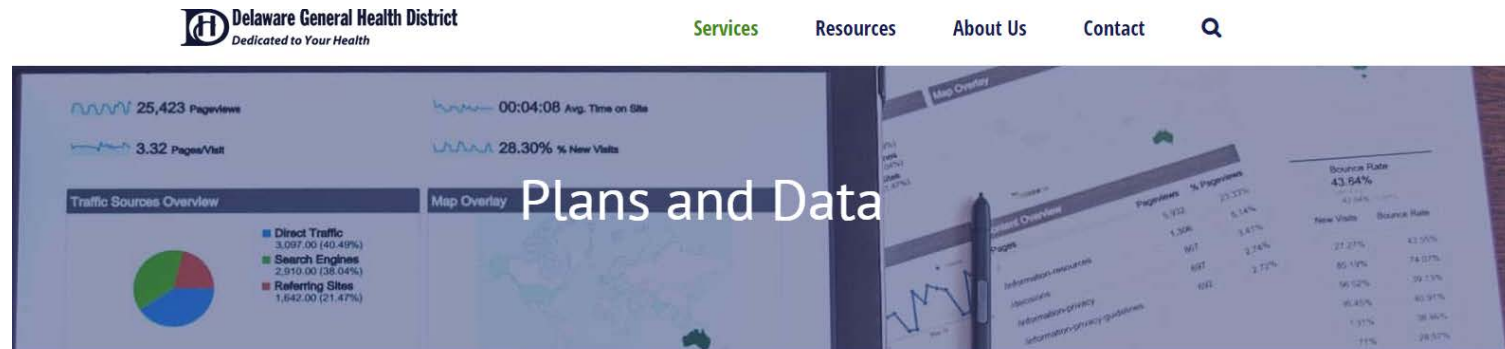
 Finances  Family  Housing  Climate

Data Tables



Delaware County Totals		N	%	Est. # in County
1. How important, if at all, do you think it is to have well-maintained sidewalks in your community?				
	Very important	505	68.43	31,858
	Somewhat important	154	20.87	9,716
	Slightly important	29	3.93	1,830
	Not at all important	49	6.64	3,091
	Did not answer	28		
	Multiple answers	1	0.14	

Accessing Age-Friendly Reports



AGE-FRIENDLY Delaware County

Age-Friendly Delaware County is a local initiative aimed at creating a community in which residents of all ages can lead happy, healthy lives. The Age-Friendly Delaware County process is based on a framework provided by the World Health Organization (WHO) and is part of a national network facilitated by AARP. Each Age-Friendly community must focus on WHO's 8 Domains of an Age-Friendly Community. These 8 domains guide the steps of the Age-Friendly Process and help determine which partners should be engaged in the planning and facilitation of the assessment and strategic plan.

Age-Friendly Communities must also follow a five-year process in which year two focuses on a strategic assessment to gather data on the health, well-being, interests, and resources related to the 8 domains of an age-friendly community. DGHD led the assessment portion of the project and results, methodology, and assessment tool can be found below.

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