



OGLE COUNTY HEALTH
DEPARTMENT
COMMUNITY THEMES
AND STRENGTHS

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Introduction

The purpose of this assessment is to provide an understanding of the issues that Ogle County residents feel are important. This assessment is to help us answer the questions:

1. What is important to our community?
2. How is quality of life perceived in our community?
3. What assets do we have that can be used to improve community health?

Methodology

Survey Design

The survey selected was designed by North Central Health Advisory Board in Columbus, Ohio and was adapted to fit the needs of Ogle County. The survey contained questions on Ogle County's greatest strengths, important health concerns, risky behaviors, community and personal health, and where the community should focus its attention to improve the community. The survey collected respondent demographic information including zip code, age, sex, marital status, children living in the home, Ogle County residency, household income, level of education, race, ethnicity, where health care is obtained when needed and how respondents pay for health care. The survey was available in both English and Spanish (Appendix).

Survey Distribution

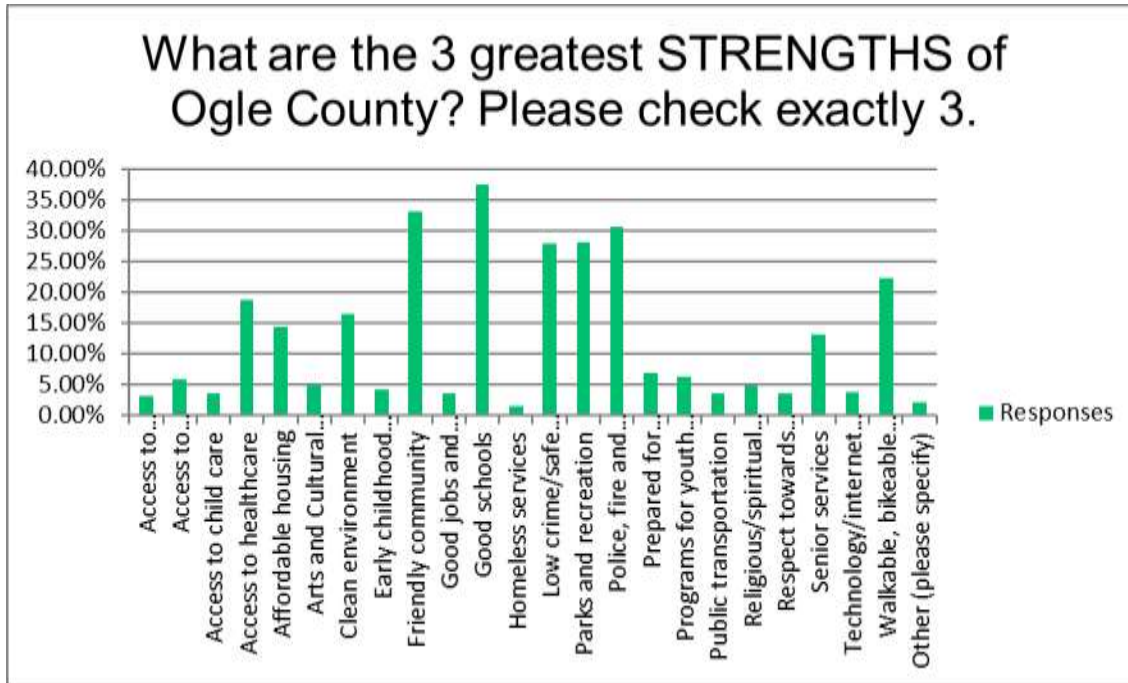
The strategies for collecting data including configuring the survey using an online research application called Survey Monkey. The survey was also available in paper form for respondents that may not have access to the internet or are uncomfortable with technology. Those paper forms then were manually uploaded into Survey Monkey. Community partners were encouraged to take the survey themselves, share with their employees and clients.

The survey opened October 1st, 2019 and closed February 20th, 2020. The survey results were then analyzed to be used in consideration when setting community health priorities.

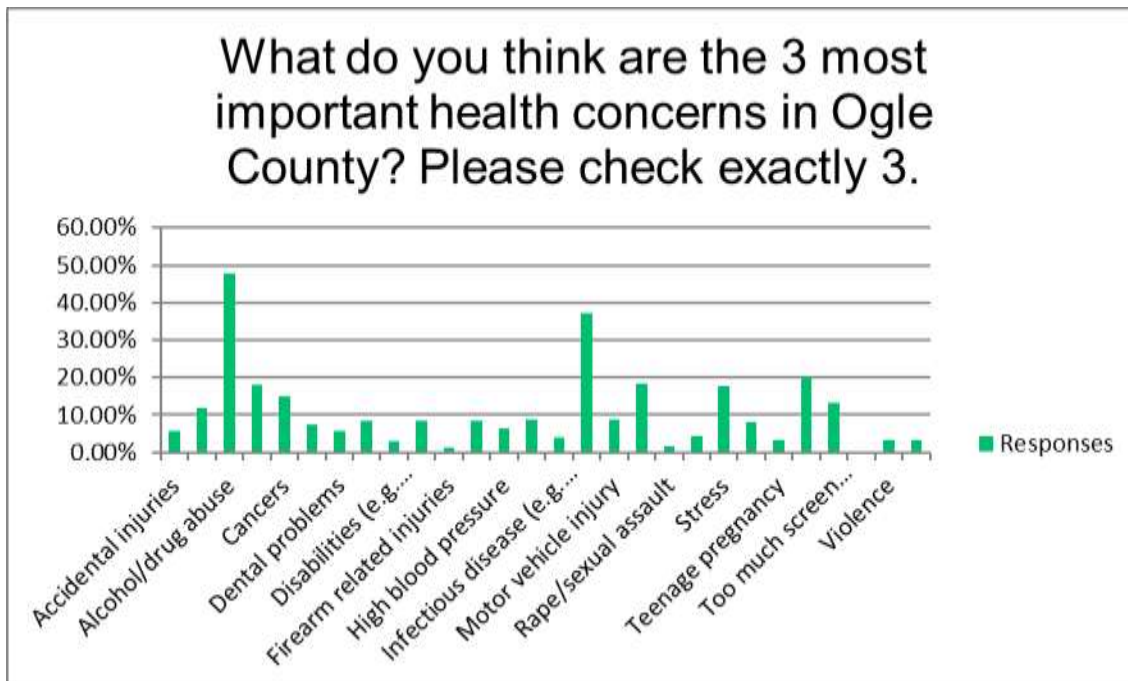
The survey was distributed via:

- Facebook
- Oregon Public Library
- Byron Public Library
- Rochelle Public Library
- Polo Public Library
- Byron CUSD #226
- Creston CCSD #161
- Eswood CCSD #269
- Forrestville Valley CUSD #221
- Kings CSD #144
- Meridian CUSD #223
- Oregon CUSD #220
- Polo CSD #222
- Rochelle CCD #231
- Rochelle Township High School District #212
- 911 -Emergency Telephone System Board
- Animal Control
- Circuit Clerk
- Coroner
- County Clerk
- Focus House
- GIS
- Health Department
- Highway Department
- Juvenile Justice Council
- Planning & Zoning
- Probation
- Recorder
- Regional Education Office
- Sheriff
- Solid Waste
- State's Attorney
- Supervisor of Assessments
- Treasurer
- Veterans Assistance Commission

Survey Results

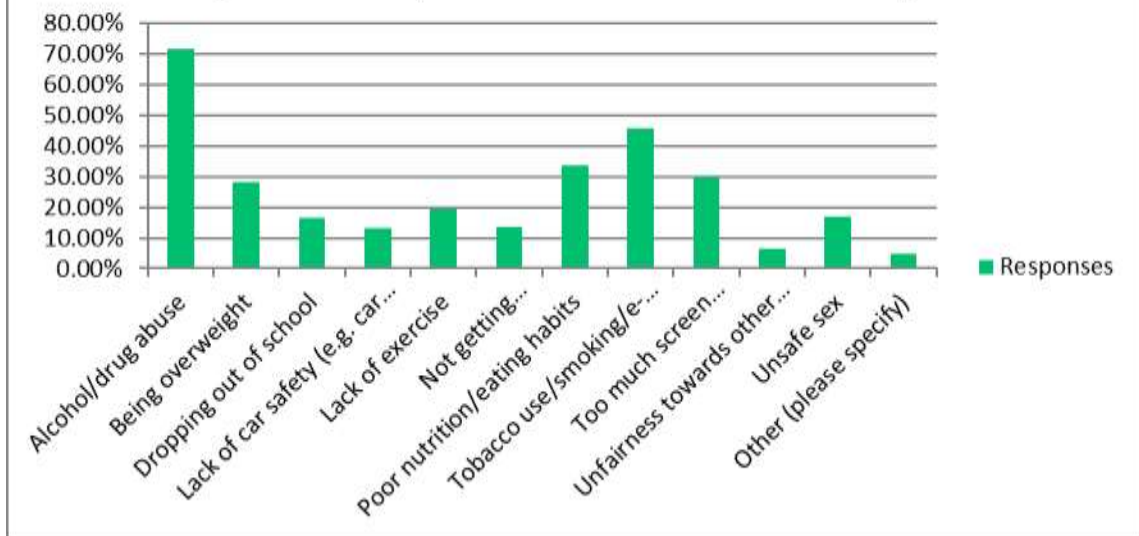


Respondents said that the three greatest strengths of Ogle County were good schools at 37.63%, friendly community at 33.10% and police, fire, and rescue services at 30.66%.



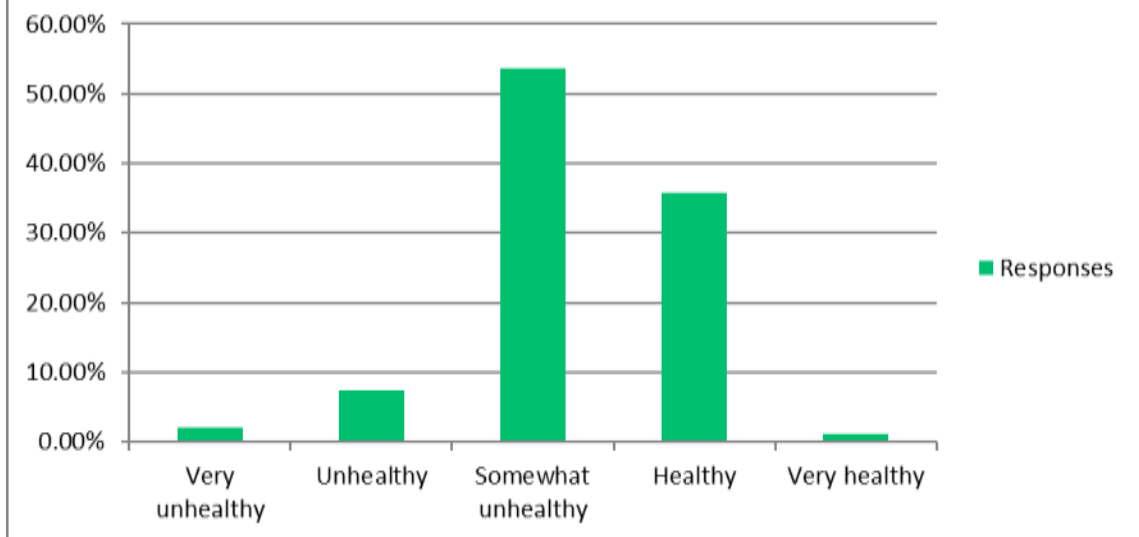
Respondents were most concerned with alcohol/drug abuse at 47.74%, mental health problems (e.g. depression, anxiety) at 37.28%, and tobacco use/smoking/e-cigarettes at 20.21%.

What are the top 3 “risky behaviors” in Ogle County? Please check exactly 3.

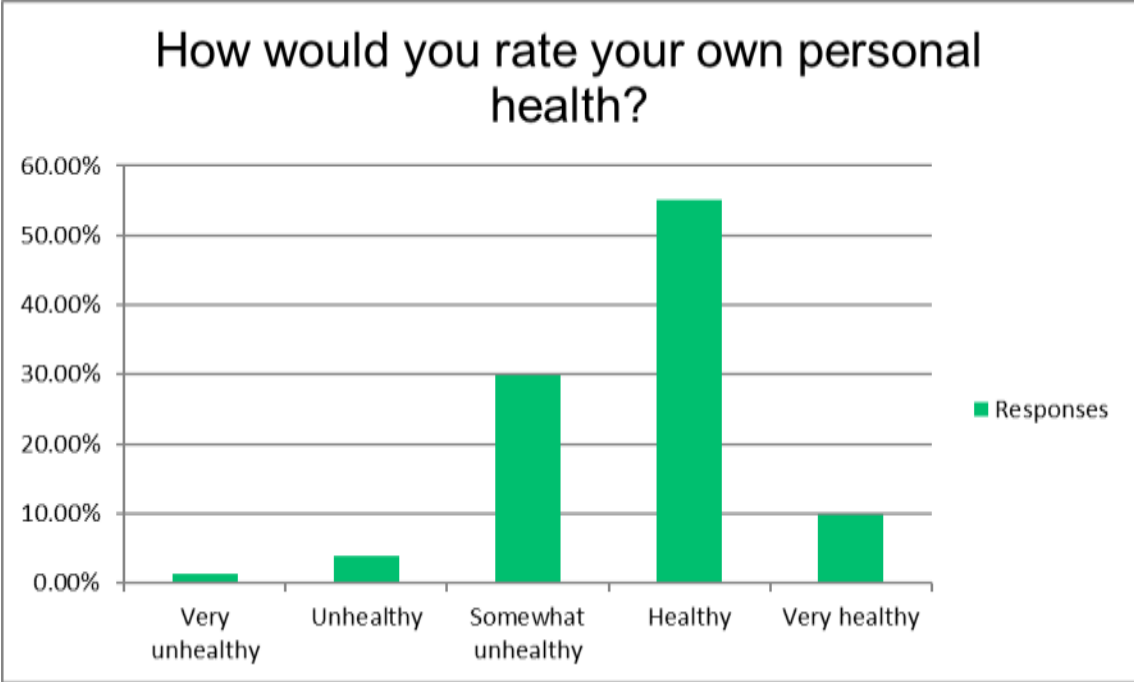


Common risky behaviors in Ogle County were reported as alcohol/drug abuse at 71.78%, tobacco use/smoking/e-cigarettes at 45.64%, and poor nutrition/eating habits at 33.45%.

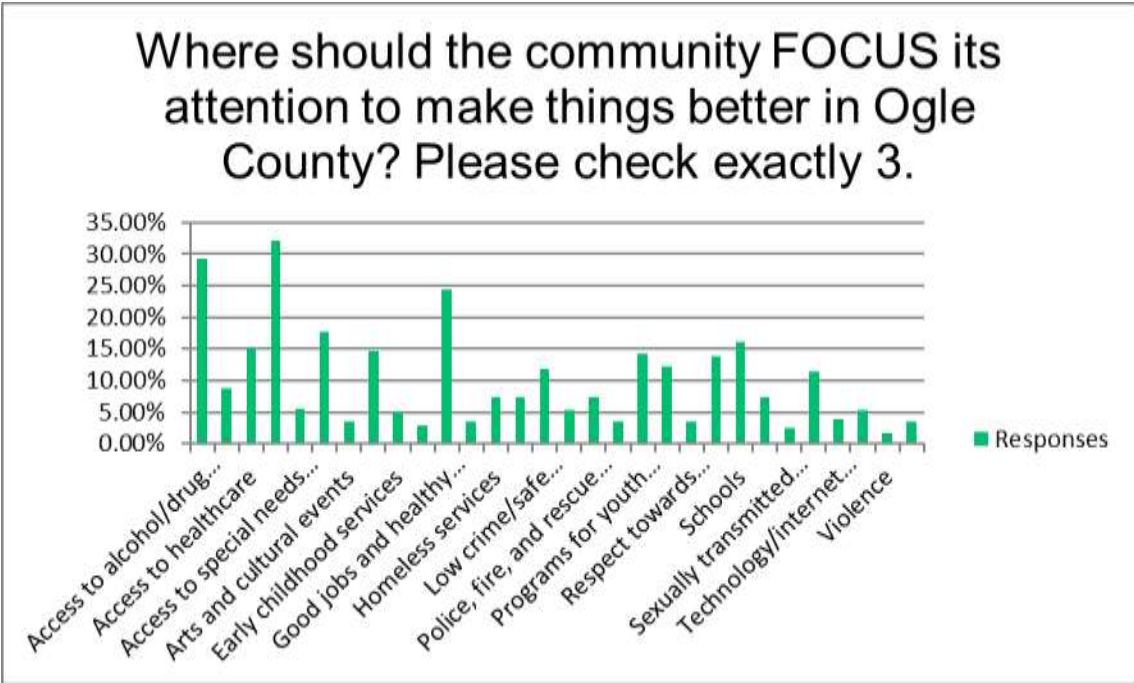
How would you rate the health of Ogle County?



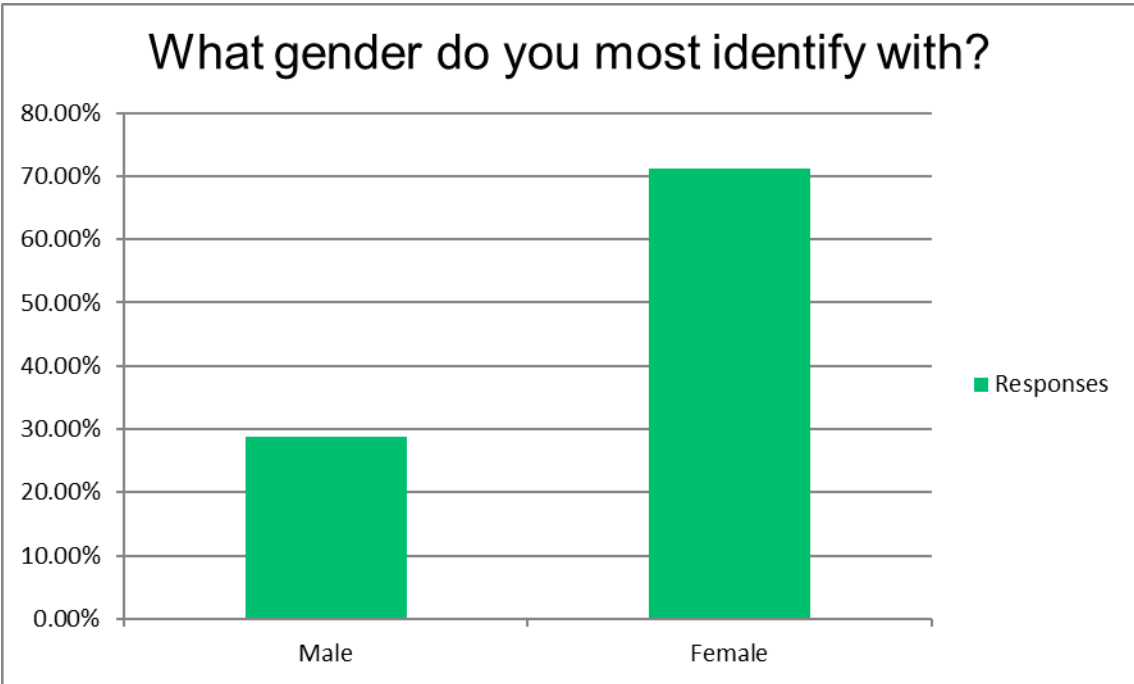
Respondents thought Ogle County to be somewhat unhealthy at 53.71% or healthy at 35.69%.



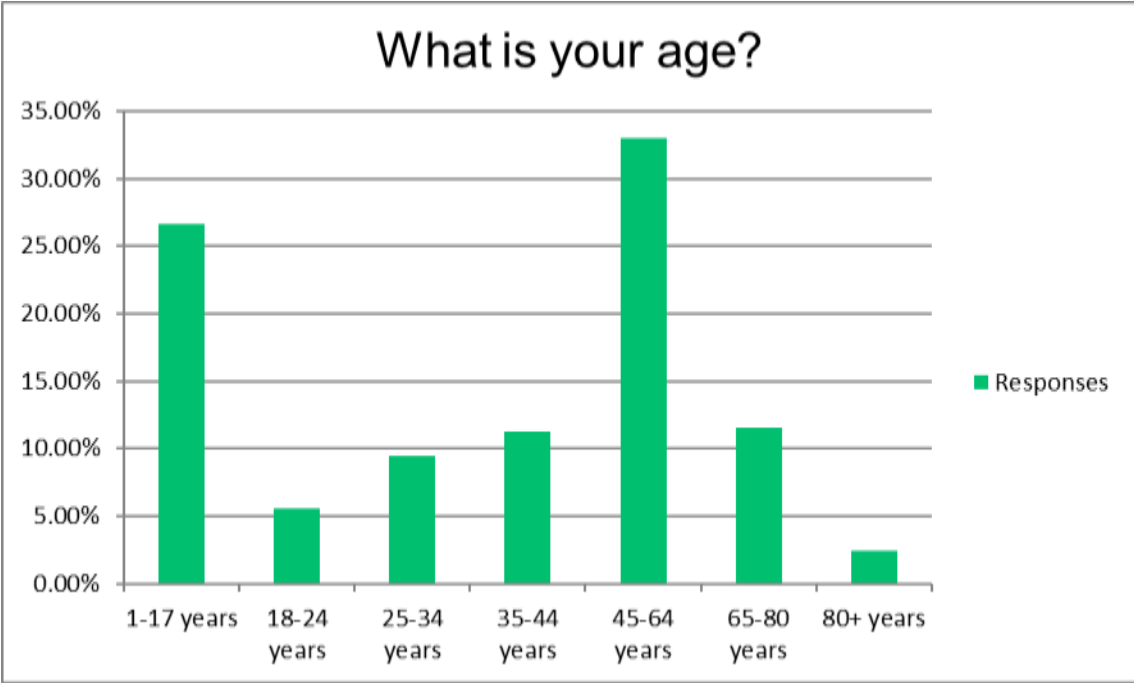
Over half of respondents thought themselves to be healthy at 55.09%. The next likely answer was somewhat unhealthy at 29.82%.



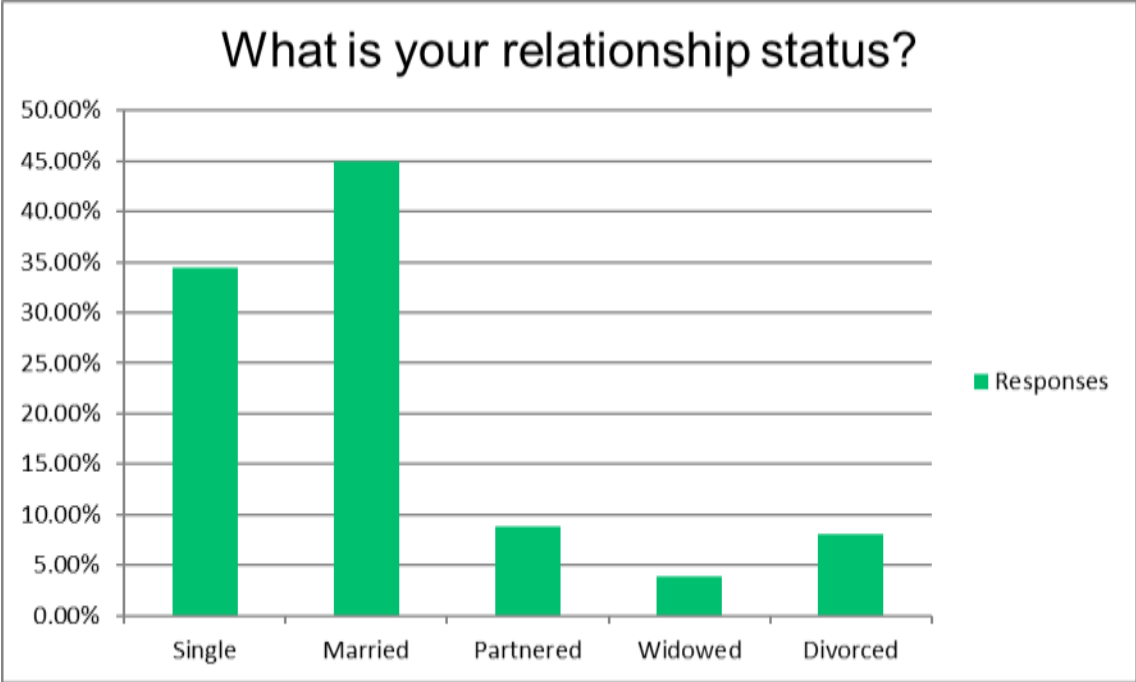
The respondents think the community should focus more on access to mental health treatment at 32.06%, access to alcohol/drug treatment at 29.27%, and good jobs and healthy economy to better Ogle County at 24.39%.



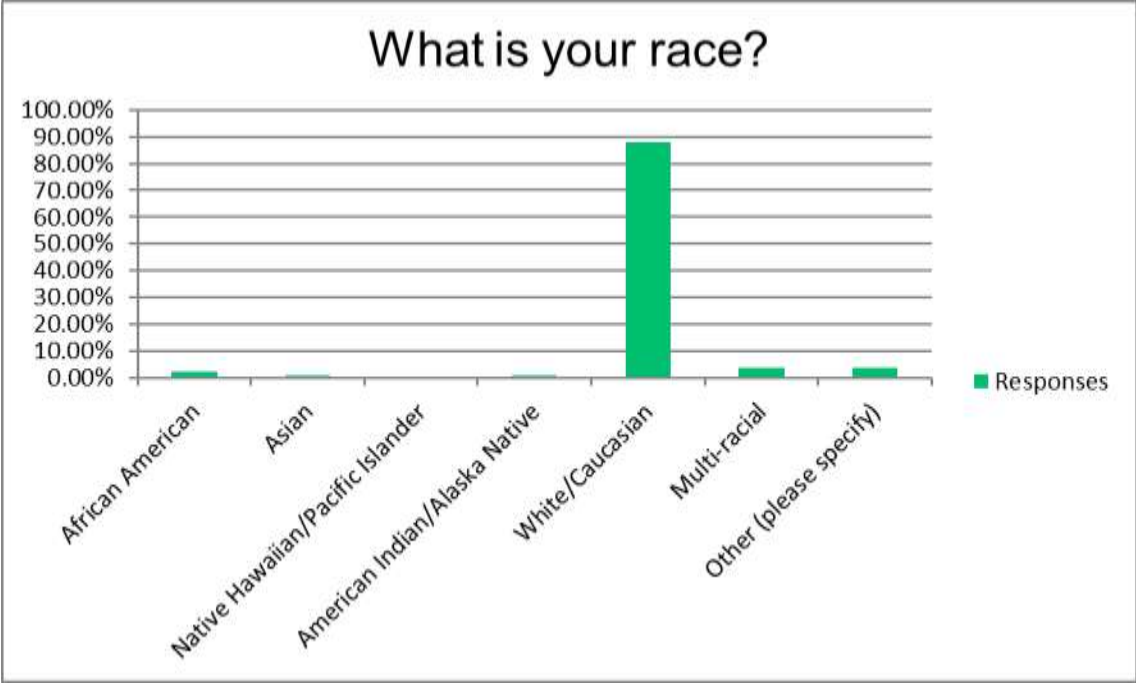
A majority of the respondents identified with females at 71.12%. Males reported at 28.88%.



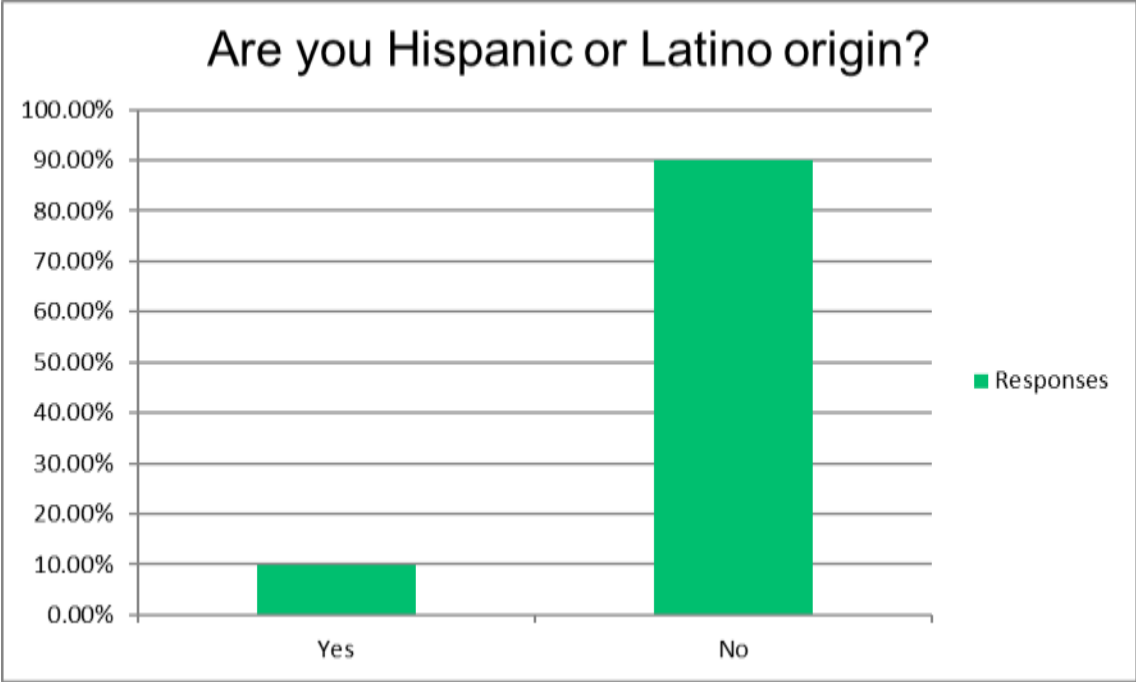
A majority of respondents were 45-64 years old at 32.98% or 1-17 years old at 26.67%.



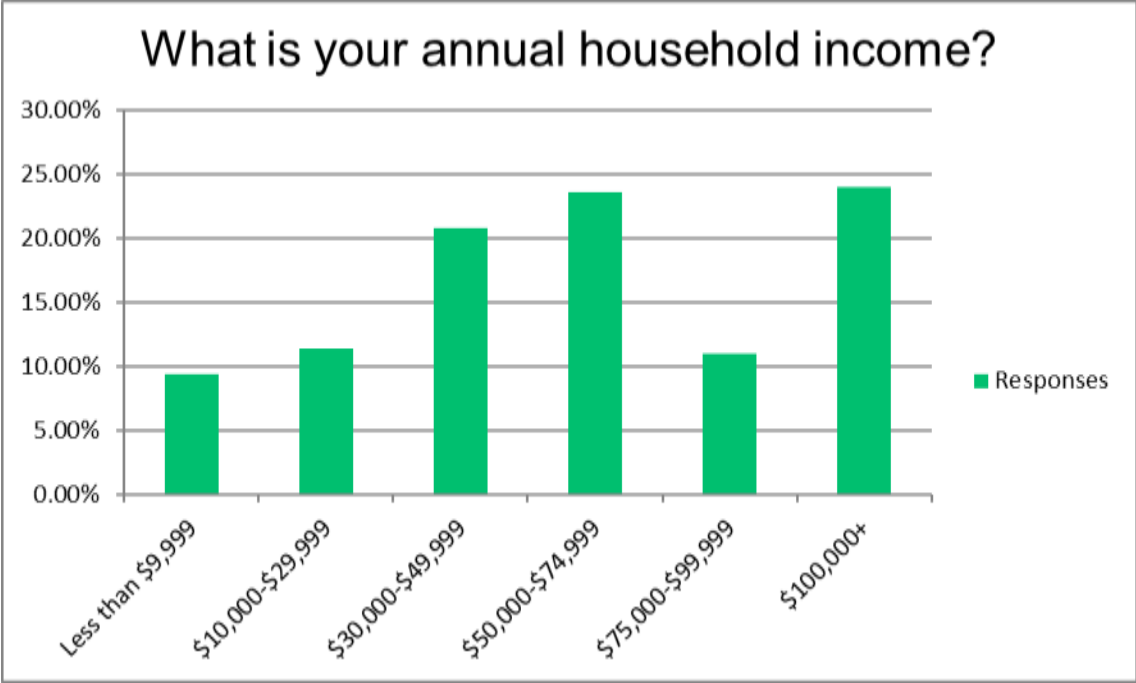
44.91% of respondents were married. 34.39% of respondents were single. 8.77% reported being partnered. 8.07% were reported as divorced and only 3.86% were widowed.



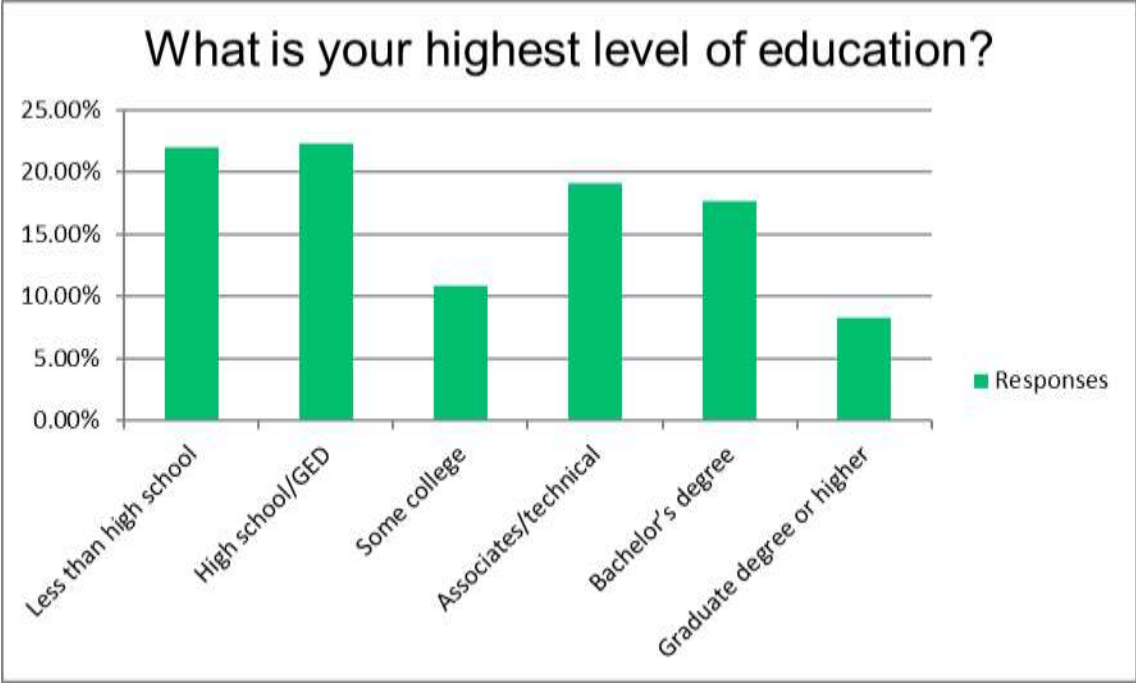
A majority of respondents reported being White/Caucasians at 87.86%. The other races mentioned included African American at 2.14%, Asian at 1.07%, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander at 0.36%, American Indian/Alaska Native at 0.71%, multi-racial at 3.93% or other at 3.93%.



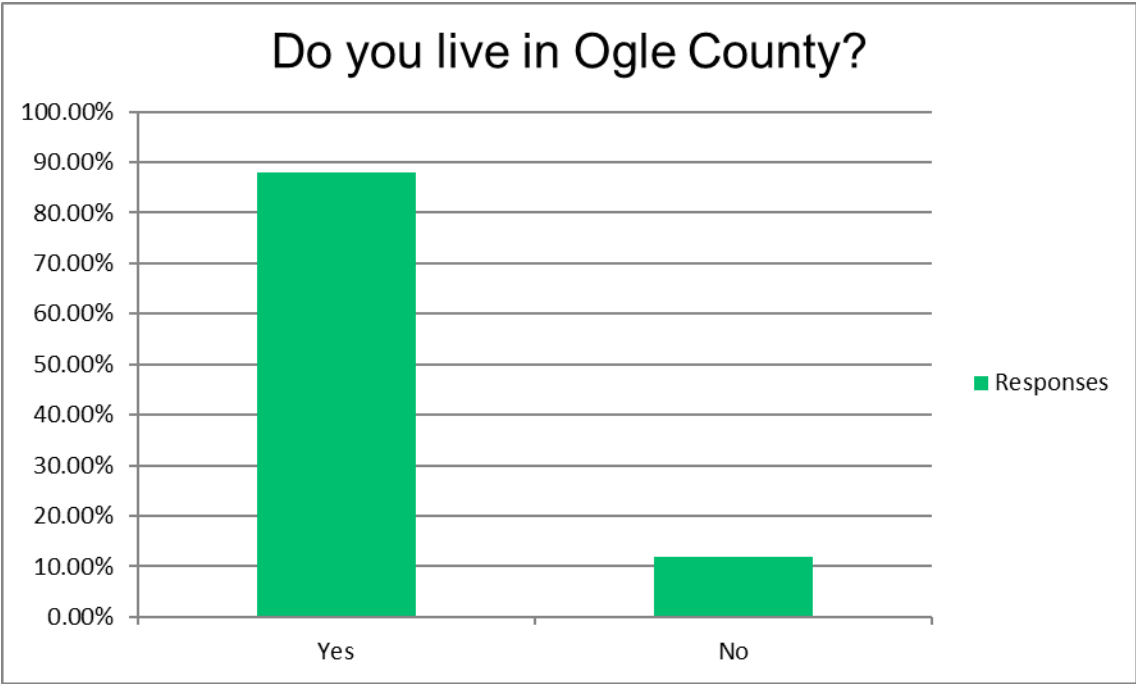
90.04 % of respondents reported that they were not of Hispanic or Latino origin with only 9.96% reporting they were.



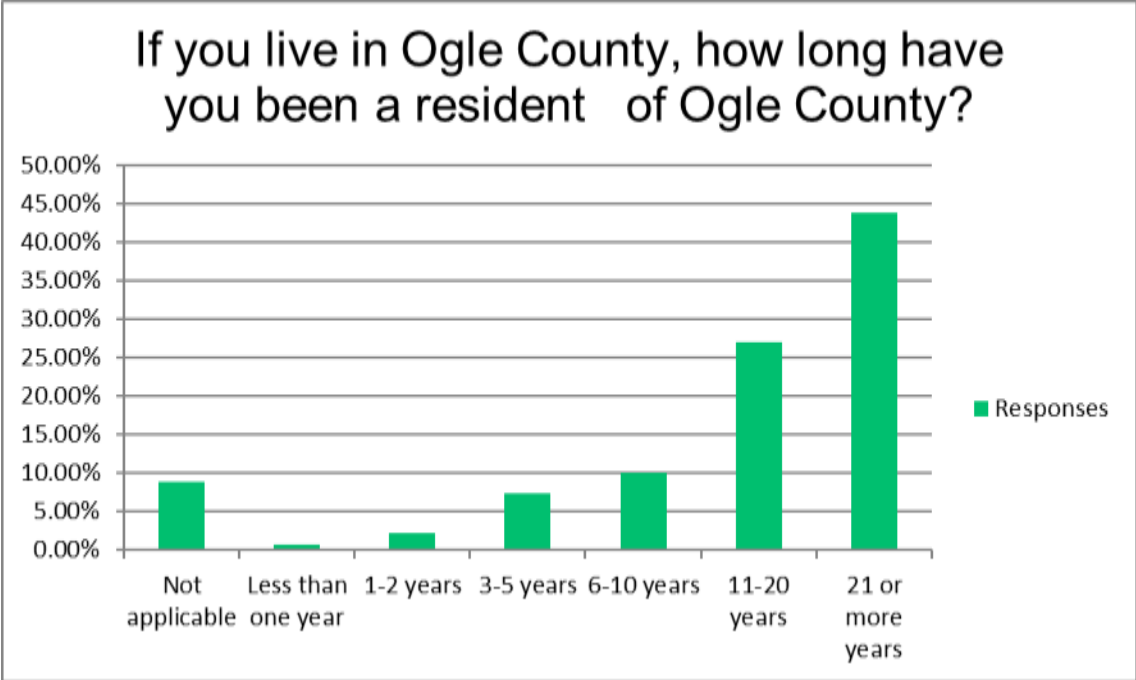
23.98% of respondents make an annual household income over 100,000 dollars. 23.58% make in between 50,000-74,999 dollars per year. 20.73% of respondent households make 30,000-49,999 dollars annually. Next 11.38% of respondent households make \$10,000-\$29,999. 10.98% of respondent households make \$75,000-\$99,999. 9.35% of respondent households make less than \$9,999.



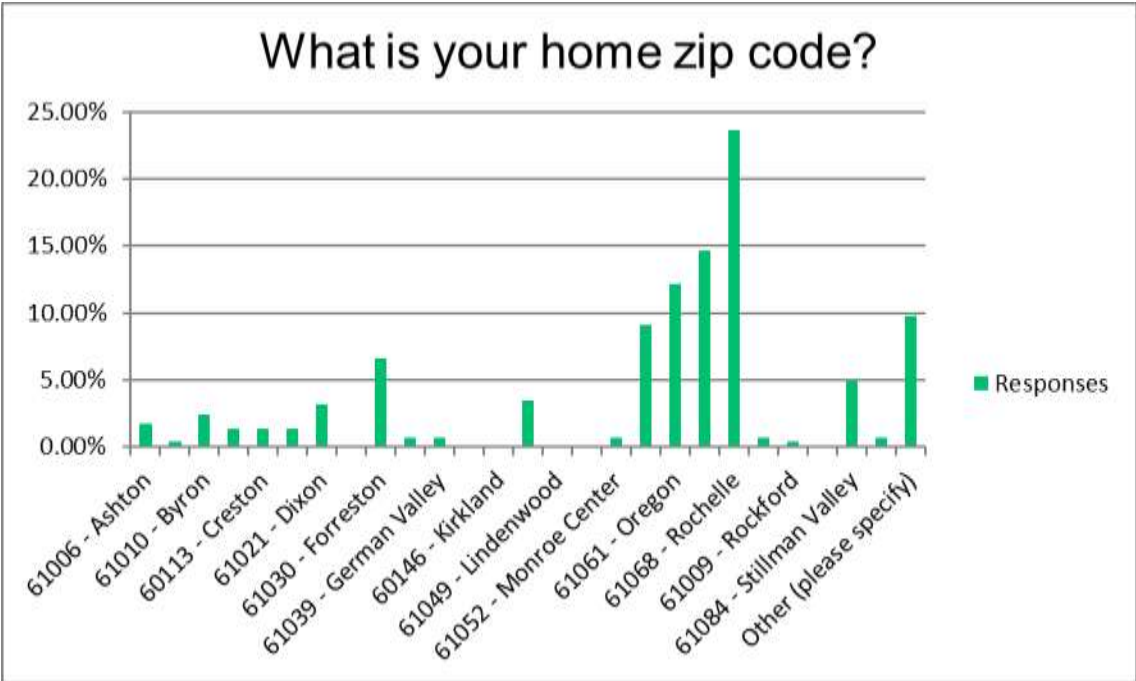
Most respondents had a high school diploma or GED accounting for 22.30%. 21.94% of respondents have earned less than a high school diploma or GED. Respondents with an Associates/technical degree account for 19.06%. 17.63% of respondents have a Bachelor's degree. 10.79% of respondents have some college. Respondents with a Graduate degree or higher account for 8.27%.



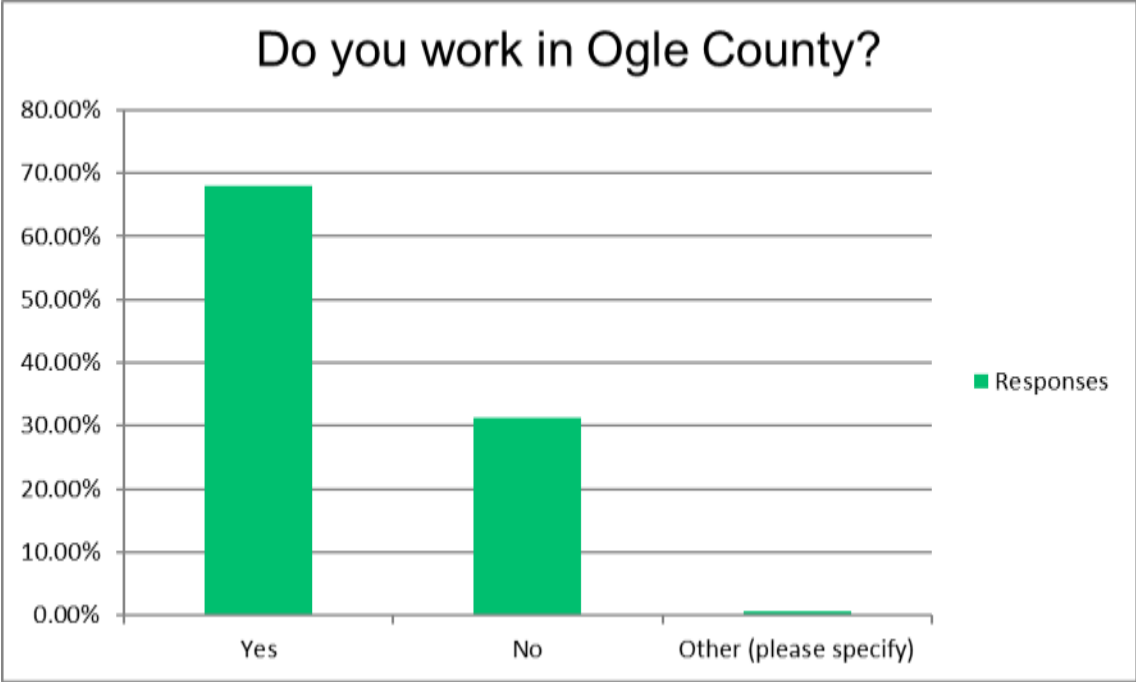
Most respondents live in Ogle County at 87.99% and 12.01% did not live in Ogle County.



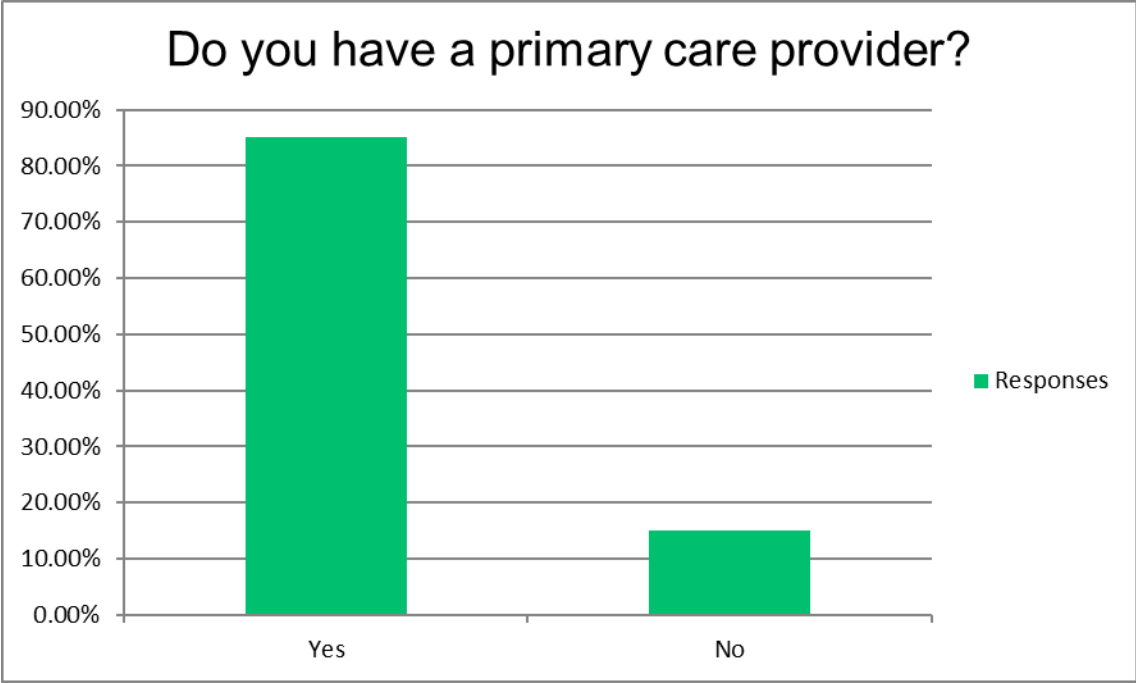
Most respondents have lived in Ogle County 21 years or more accounting for 43.91%. The second most likely answer was 11-20 years at 26.94%. 0.74% of respondents have lived in Ogle County less than one year. Some respondents have lived in Ogle County 1-2 years at 2.21%. 7.38% have lived in the county for 3-5 years. Respondents living in Ogle County 6-10 years make up 9.96% of respondents.



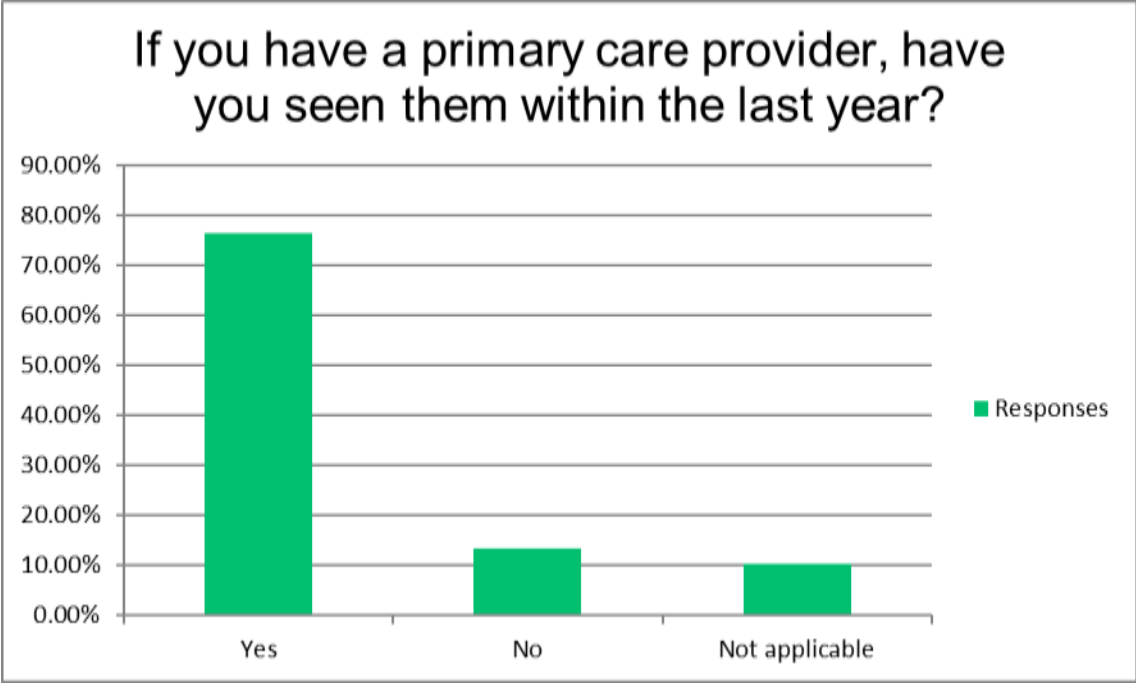
The majority of respondents lived in Rochelle at 23.69%. Polo and Oregon were the next two zip codes identified with Polo being 14.63% of respondents and Oregon at 12.20%.



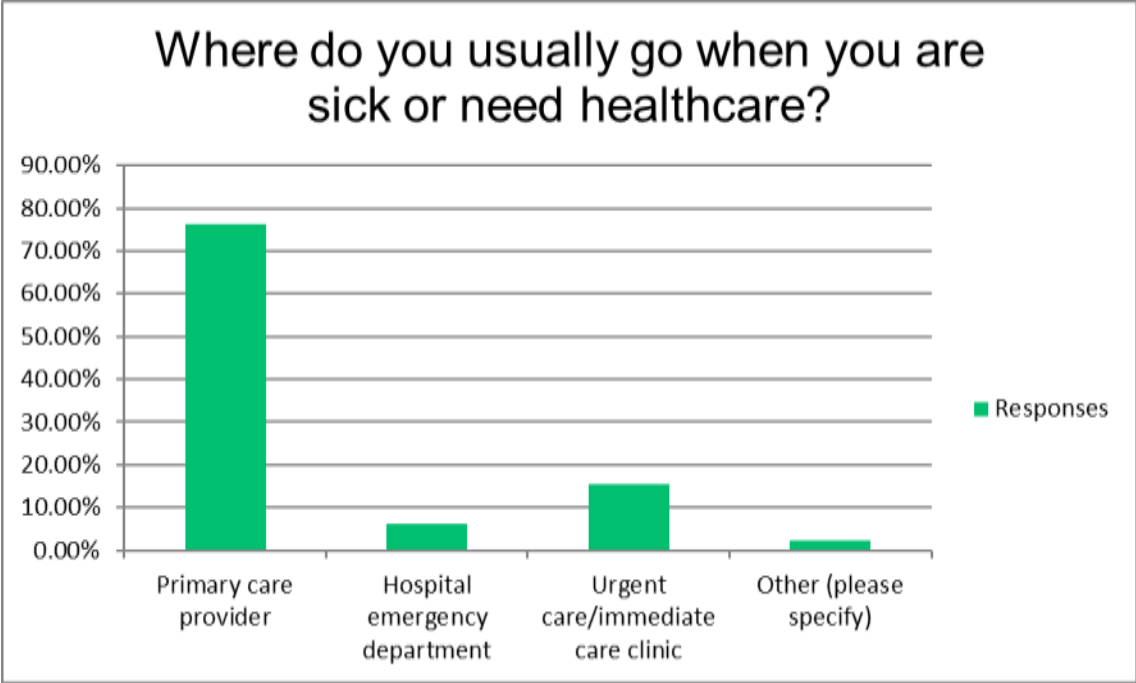
Most respondents work in Ogle County at 68.09% and 31.21% do not work in Ogle County.



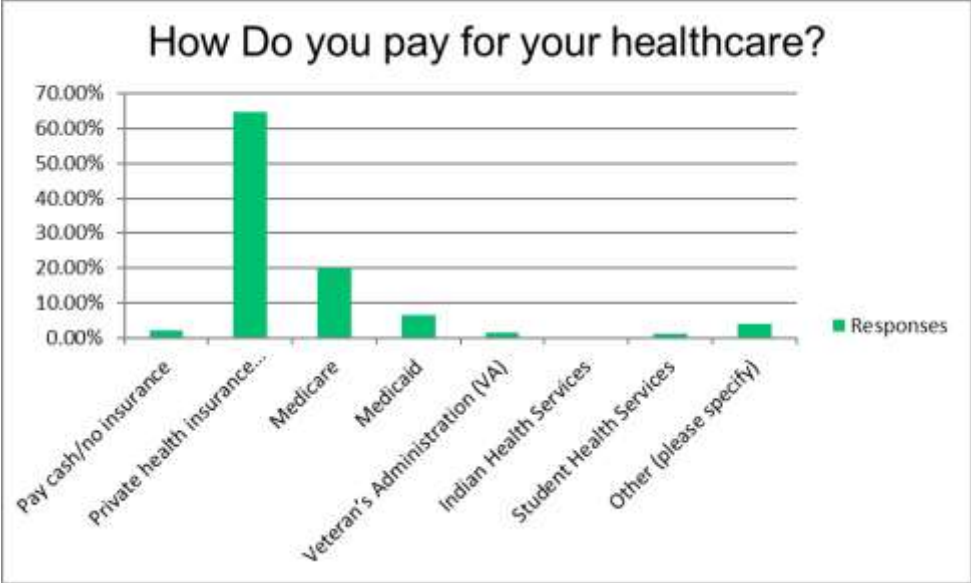
85% of respondents reported they do have a primary care provider, whereas 15% do not.



76.34% of respondents have seen their primary care provider within the last year and 13.26% have not.



Most respondents usually go to their primary care provider at 76.33%. Urgent Care or Immediate Care Clinic was the next choice of the respondents accounting for 15.55%. Only 6.01% of respondents reported going to the Hospital Emergency Department.



Majority of the respondents use Private health insurance to pay for their healthcare at 64.60%. Medicare was the next highest response at 20.07%. 6.57% reported using Medicaid to pay for their healthcare. Only 2.19% pay cash or do not have insurance. 1.46% use the Veteran's Administration to pay and 1.09% use Student Health Services.

Key Findings

The profile of our respondents answering the survey was that they were married, middle aged (45-64) non-Hispanic, Caucasian, women, making more than 100,000 dollars a year, with at least a high school or GED, working in Ogle County and living in Ogle County for 21 years or more. Most respondents were living in Rochelle, have access to health care with private health insurance and have seen a primary care provider within the last year.

The key findings from this perspective include:

Top 3 Strengths-

1. Good schools
2. Friendly community
3. Police, fire and rescue services

Top 3 Health Concerns-

1. Alcohol/drug abuse
2. Mental health problems (e.g. depression, anxiety)
3. Tobacco use/smoking/e-cigarettes

Top 3 Risky Behaviors-

1. Alcohol/drug abuse
2. Tobacco use/smoking/e-cigarettes
3. Poor nutrition/eating habits

Top 3 Areas to Focus-

1. Access to mental health treatment
2. Access to alcohol/drug treatment
3. Good jobs and healthy economy

According to the Community Health Status Assessment, the respondents compare to the demographics of Ogle County in only a few ways that are similar, and an over sampling has occurred in some categories. The demographic composition of Ogle County has the average income is \$57K per year, whereas the survey respondents reported \$100K+ income. The county is primarily White at 94.39%, 87.86% of survey respondents reported White as their race. The number of non-Hispanic residents matched the survey respondents with 90.16% of the county being non-Hispanic and 90.04% of the respondents being non-Hispanic. The age of respondents was close to correlating with the data of the county with the mean age for females being 43 and the mean age overall 41 for the county and the age of respondents were most likely to be 45-64. There were more women in the respondent group than the county, with the group being 71%, whereas the county is 50.12%. People who took the survey reported having less education compared to the county. The survey respondents reported 22.30% as have at least a high school diploma or GED. The county recorded that, of people 25 or older, 89% of them had at least a high school diploma or GED. Access to Primary Care Providers in Ogle County has a rate of 60.46 providers for every 100,000 people. Although 85% of survey respondents reported having a Primary Care Provider.

Appendix

North Central Health Advisory Board Community Assessment Survey (2002)

Your input is important and will be used to develop plans to improve the quality of life of our community. All information provided will be kept CONFIDENTIAL.

Quality of Life Statements

Rate the quality of life statements. (circle one number)

Ratings are (1) = very dissatisfied, (2) = dissatisfied, (3) = satisfied, (4) = very satisfied

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| 1. You are satisfied with the quality of life in your community.
(Consider your sense of safety, well being, and participation in community life and associations, etc) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 2. You are satisfied with the health care system in the community.
(Consider access, cost, availability, quality, options in health care, etc.) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 3. This community is a good place to raise children.
(Consider school quality, day care, after school programs recreation, etc.) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 4. This community is a good place to grow old?
(Consider elder-friendly housing, transportation to medical services, churches, shopping, elder day care, social support for the elderly living alone, meals on wheels) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 5. There is economic opportunity in the community.
(Consider locally owned and operated businesses, jobs with career growth, job training/ higher education opportunities, affordable housing, reasonable commute, etc.) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 6. The community is a safe place to live.
(Consider resident's perceptions of safety in the home, the workplace, schools playgrounds, parks, the mall. Do neighbors know and trust one another? Do they look out for one another?) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 7. You are satisfied with church and faith community outreach in the community. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 8. Individuals and groups have the opportunity to contribute to and participate in the community's quality of life. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 9. Residents can perceive that they can individually and can collectively make the community a better place to live.
(Consider community clean-ups, block watches, helping a neighbor) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 10. You are satisfied with contribution made by businesses, agencies, and organizations to build community assets. (Consider parks, schools, churches) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 11. You are satisfied with levels of mutual trust and respect between community partners. (Consider government, schools, churches, voluntary agencies)? | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 12. You are satisfied that there is a sense of community responsibility for building community pride. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

Health Care Questions

1. How do you describe your health status? (circle one): good fair poor
2. Where do you usually go when you are sick or need health care? (check all that apply)
 Doctors office Community Health Center
 Public Health Clinic Hospital Emergency Department
 Hospital Outpatient Department Other (Please specify): _____
3. In the past 12 months, was there a time when you needed health care but did not seek it?
 Yes, I needed medical care, but did not seek it.
 No, there has not been such an occasion
- 3a. If you answered yes to 3., what was the reason you did not seek health care? _____
4. What do you feel are barriers to getting health care in your community? (check all that apply):
 Too much paper work Location of healthcare/no transportation
 Cost No doctor/staff speak my language
 Fear or distrust of health care system Other (please specifies): _____
 Prescription or medicine cost
5. Where do you get information about health resources available in your community? (check all that apply)
 School Church Neighbors Family TV Newspaper
 Community Service Organizations (Please specify): _____
 Other (Please specify): _____
6. Do you smoke? (check one) Yes No 6a. Does someone else in the house smoke? Yes No
7. Do you drink alcohol? (check one) seldom daily never
8. Have you been diagnosed by a doctor with any of the following: (check all that apply):
 Diabetes High Blood Pressure Cancer Dental Health problems
 Stroke Heart Disease Asthma Lung Disease
 Sinus Problems Sickle Cell Anemia Infant death Obesity
 Epilepsy Kidney Disease Liver Disease Drug abuse/addiction
 Alcohol abuse Mental Disorders Gonorrhea Migraine Headaches
 Eye Disorders Hearing Disorders HIV/AIDS Hepatitis
 TB Lupus Arthritis Family Violence
 Memory Loss Glaucoma Stress
 Lack of Pregnancy Care Respiratory disease
9. *If you or member of your household was diagnosed by a doctor with any of these diseases please answer the following questions:*
- 9a. **Cancer**
(1) What type? _____
(2) When diagnosed? _____
(3) Does anyone in your family have or had cancer? Yes No _____ (relationship)
(4) Do you or members of your household receive treatment for cancer? Yes No
(5) Has anyone in your household died from cancer? Yes No When? _____
- 9b. **High Blood Pressure**
(1) When diagnosed? _____
(2) Does anyone in your family have high blood pressure Yes No _____ (relationship)
(3) Do you or members of your household take medicine daily for your high blood pressure? Yes No
(4) Do you check your blood pressure daily? Yes No
(5) Has anyone in your household died from high blood pressure? Yes No When? _____
- 9c. **Diabetes (Sugar)**

- (1) When diagnosed? _____
- (2) Does anyone in your family have diabetes (sugar)? Yes No _____ (relationship)
- (3) Do you or members of your household take medicine daily for you diabetes (sugar)? Yes No
- (4) Has anyone in your household died from diabetes (sugar) Yes No _____ When? No

9d. **Lung or Respiratory Disease**

- (1) When diagnosed? _____
- (2) What type of lung or respiratory disease? (asthma, emphysema, sinuses, bronchitis, etc) _____
- (3) Does anyone in your family have lung or respiratory disease? Yes No _____ (relationship)
- (4) Do you or members of your household take medicine for your lung or respiratory disease? Yes No
- (5) Has anyone in your household died from lung or respiratory disease? Yes No _____ When? No

9e. **Heart Disease**

- (1) When diagnosed? _____
- (2) What type of heart disease? (coronary heart disease, cardiovascular disease, congestive heart failure, enlarged heart etc.) _____
- (3) Does anyone in your family have heart disease? Yes No _____ (relationship)
- (4) Do you or members of your household take medicine for heart disease? Yes No
- (5) Has anyone in your household died from heart disease? Yes No _____ When? No

9f. **Stroke**

- (1) When diagnosed? _____
- (2) Has anyone in your family had a stroke? Yes No _____ (relationship)
- (3) Do you or members of your household take medicine for your stroke? No Yes
- (4) Has anyone in your household died from a stroke? Yes No _____ When? No

9g. **Homicide**

- (1) Has any member of your household been a victim of a homicide? Yes No
- (2) Has anyone in your family been a victim of a homicide? Yes No

Demographic Information

1. Male _____ Female _____
2. Age: _____
3. Married _____ Single _____ Divorce _____ Widow _____
4. Race: _____
5. Registered Voter: Yes No
6. Employed: Full-time Part-time Unemployed Retired Self-Employed
7. Highest Education Level Attained (check one):

Less than High School _____	High School (9-12) _____	College Courses _____
College Graduate _____	Vocational Training _____	Graduate School _____
8. Household Income: (check one) Under \$10,000 _____ \$10,000-\$19,999 _____
 \$20,000-\$29,999 _____ \$30,000-\$39,999 _____ \$40,000-\$50,000 _____ Over \$51,000 _____
9. How many people does this income support? _____ 9a. # of children (<19) in household _____ # Adults _____
10. Neighborhood Group: (circle one)
 Argyle Park AmerCrest Woodland-Holt Oriole Heights Devon Triangle Shepherd
 St. Mary's Brentnell Brittany Hills Teakwood Heights
11. How long have you been a resident? _____ Years

Other Risks

Pesticide Use.....	1	2	3	4
Loss of Green Space.....	1	2	3	4
Child Lead Exposure.....	1	2	3	4
Noise Pollution.....	1	2	3	4
Mosquitoes.....	1	2	3	4
Animal Control.....	1	2	3	4
Rodent Control (Rats).....	1	2	3	4
Other.....	1	2	3	4

Neighborhood Issues: *Traffic, Sewers, and Roads*

Rank the following as a very low (1) need to a very high need (4). (circle one).

Road Maintenance/Repair.....	1	2	3	4
Storm/Sewer Lines Maintenance and Repair.....	1	2	3	4
Traffic				
Mass Transportation.....	1	2	3	4
Sidewalks.....	1	2	3	4
Street Lighting.....	1	2	3	4
Slow Down Traffic.....	1	2	3	4
Pedestrian Crosswalks.....	1	2	3	4
Bikeways.....	1	2	3	4
Crime Patrols/Block Watches.....	1	2	3	4
Other.....	1	2	3	4

Thank you for your help. All information provided will be CONFIDENTIAL.

Additional Comments:

General Environmental Issues

1. Overall, Columbus has good environmental quality: (check one)
 strongly disagree; disagree; agree; strongly agree
2. The environmental threats in North Central Columbus come from: (check all that apply)
 Industry; Households/Individuals; City Operations; Transportation
3. The best way to improve the environment is to: (check all that apply)
 Pass laws; Provide Education; Charge Fines; Offer Incentives
 Provide Technical Assistance

Ranking Environmental Issues

Rank the following from low risk (1) to high risk (4). (circle one)

Water

- Drinking Water..... 1 2 3 4
- Release of untreated sewage..... 1 2 3 4
- Flooding/drainage problems..... 1 2 3 4
- Other..... 1 2 3 4

Land

- Weeds..... 1 2 3 4
- Vacant Lots..... 1 2 3 4
- Littering/Illegal Dumping..... 1 2 3 4
- Abandoned Buildings..... 1 2 3 4
- Junk Cars..... 1 2 3 4
- Tires..... 1 2 3 4
- Inadequate Refuse Collection..... 1 2 3 4
- Contaminated Land (Brownfields)..... 1 2 3 4
- Other..... 1 2 3 4

Air

- Transportation Pollution..... 1 2 3 4
- Industrial Air Pollution..... 1 2 3 4
- Smog..... 1 2 3 4
- Indoor Air Pollution..... 1 2 3 4
- Cigarette/Cigar Smoke..... 1 2 3 4
- Other..... 1 2 3 4