## Issues of Importance to Hawai‘i Adults Age 45+

### Health Care

| Issue                                | % Extremely Important
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------
| Staying mentally sharp               | 94%                   
| Staying physically healthy           | 93%                   
| Adequate health insurance coverage   | 92%                   
| Medicare benefits available in the future | 88%                 
| Paying for health care expenses      | 81%                   
| Paying for prescription drugs        | 74%                   

### Economic/Financial

| Issue                                                                 | % Extremely Important
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| Having financial security throughout your life                        | 93%                   
| Having enough income or savings to retire                             | 91%                   
| Being able to afford groceries or other household necessities         | 91%                   
| Adequate Social Security benefits                                     | 87%                   
| Having affordable utilities                                           | 82%                   
| Protection against unfair financial practices                         | 81%                   

### Independent Living/Long-Term Care

| Issue                                                                 | % Extremely Important
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| Staying in your own home as you get older                             | 83%                   
| Caring for a loved one                                                | 83%                   
| Getting to the places you need to go independently                    | 80%                   
| Affordable long-term care                                             | 75%                   
| Paid time off for caregiving                                          | 64%                   

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“For the following list of issues, please indicate how important each is to you personally.”

% “extremely important” or “very important”
Interviews were conducted with 704 residents of Hawai‘i by landline (49%), cell phone (26%), and online (24%) between September 16, 2021 and October 5, 2021.

**Age**
- 45 to 49: 13%
- 50 to 64: 37%
- 65+: 50%

**Education**
- Some college or less: 50%
- 4-year college degree: 28%
- Post-graduate study or degree: 21%

**Employment**
- Full-time: 30%
- Part-time: 10%
- Retired: 48%

**Gender**
- Female: 54%
- Male: 46%

**Race/Ethnicity**
- Asian/ Pacific Islander: 51%
- White/ Caucasian: 27%
- Native Hawaiian: 11%
- Other: 11%

**Marital Status**
- Married/ living with partner: 50%
- Divorced/ separated: 15%
- Widowed: 11%
- Never married: 23%

**Annual Household Income**
- Less than $50,000: 36%
- $50,000 to less than $100,000: 32%
- $100,000+: 23%

**Political Views**
- Conservative: 25%
- Moderate: 38%
- Liberal: 25%