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Livable Community

A livable community is one that is safe and secure, has affordable and appropriate housing and transportation options, and offers supportive community features and services. Once in place, those resources enhance personal independence; allow residents to age in place; and foster residents’ engagement in the community’s civic, economic, and social life.

– AARP Policy Book, Chapter 9
Key Findings: Home and Community

Adults have a strong desire and likelihood to stay in their home and community as they age and are making plans to do so, including consideration of alternative housing options. Both the desire and likelihood to stay in their home and community is even greater among adults age 50 and older.

- Between 50 and 60 percent of adults age 18-49 say they want to remain in their communities and homes as they age, while nearly 80 percent of adults age 50 and older indicate this same desire.
- About one third of adults age 18-49 report they will stay in their current home and never move while nearly half of adults age 50 and older say they will never move.
- Over 60 percent of all adults own their own homes, and approximately one in three reports that major modifications to their home are needed to accommodate aging needs.
- The presence of accessory dwelling units is low, but seven in ten would consider building one for a loved one who needs care.
- Half of adults already share or would be willing to share a home as they age, with a major consideration being if they needed help with daily activities.
- The majority of adults would be interested in joining a village to help them stay in their community and are willing to pay an annual fee.

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Key Findings: Ride Share

Most adults drive to get around their community. Nearly all adults have heard of ride share services; however, far fewer are using them on a regular basis and current usage and willingness to use ride share in the future is especially low among adults age 50 and older.

- The large majority of adults (84%) drive themselves to get around their communities.
- Other popular modes of transportation include having someone else drive them, walking, and use of public transportation.
- More than nine in ten adults have heard of ride sharing companies.
- About half of adults age 18-49 have used ride sharing companies and use is infrequent.
- Only about three in ten adults age 50 and older report having used a ride share company.
- The majority of adults have heard of self-driving cars and are familiar with them but are not willing to ride in them.

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Key Findings: Community Features

The most important community features for all adults center around the built environment specifically relating to outdoor spaces and buildings and streets and sidewalks.

- Street and sidewalk features that rank high in importance are well-maintained streets and easy to read traffic signs.
- When it comes to outdoor spaces and buildings, well-maintained and conveniently located hospitals and health care facilities as well as safe parks are features identified as the most important in the community.

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Home and Community
Home & Community Highlights

- Over six in ten adults want to stay in their own homes and communities as they age and this desire is even higher among adults age 50 and older.
- Half of adults are interested in joining a village to help them stay in their community for as long as possible and are willing to pay an annual fee.
- Interest in joining a village is higher among African Americans and Hispanics as well as females.
- More than six in ten adults are homeowners and most are age 50 and older, White and have higher incomes.
- Less than 10 percent have an accessory dwelling unit as part of their home; however, 68 percent would consider building one to provide care for a loved one.
- Half already share their home or would consider sharing their home as they age and 58 percent would consider sharing their home with another person if they needed help with daily activities.
- LGBT adults are more likely to consider home sharing for companionship and females are more likely to consider it in the event they need help with daily activities.

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
More than six in ten adults would like to remain in their community or current residence for as long as possible.

Q1: How strongly do you agree or disagree with the statement: What I’d really like to do is remain in my community for as long as possible?
Q2: How strongly do you agree or disagree with the statement: What I’d really like to do is stay in my current residence for as long as possible?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Preference to remain in their community or current residence is stronger in older age groups.

Q1: How strongly do you agree or disagree with the statement: What I’d really like to do is remain in my community for as long as possible?

Q2: How strongly do you agree or disagree with the statement: What I’d really like to do is stay in my current residence for as long as possible?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Preference to stay in their community and residence is similar across race/ethnicity.

Q1: How strongly do you agree or disagree with the statement: What I’d really like to do is remain in my community for as long as possible?
Q2: How strongly do you agree or disagree with the statement: What I’d really like to do is stay in my current residence for as long as possible?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

*White and African American are non-Hispanic
Preference to stay in their community and residence is lower among LGBT adults.

Q1: How strongly do you agree or disagree with the statement: What I’d really like to do is remain in my community for as long as possible?
Q2: How strongly do you agree or disagree with the statement: What I’d really like to do is stay in my current residence for as long as possible?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Preference to stay in their community and residence is similar across males and females.

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Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Preference to stay in their community and residence is higher in older generations.

Q1: How strongly do you agree or disagree with the statement: What I’d really like to do is remain in my community for as long as possible?
Q2: How strongly do you agree or disagree with the statement: What I’d really like to do is stay in my current residence for as long as possible?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Preference to remain in the same community and residence are similar across income levels with incomes of less than $25,000 reporting slightly lower results.

Q1: How strongly do you agree or disagree with the statement: What I’d really like to do is remain in my community for as long as possible?

Q2: How strongly do you agree or disagree with the statement: What I’d really like to do is stay in my current residence for as long as possible?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Approximately half of adults expect to stay in their home or community as they get older.

Q3: Thinking about your future years, are you more likely to...?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Likelihood of staying in their current residence and never moving increases with age.

Q3: Thinking about your future years, are you more likely to...

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
African Americans report being more likely to move to a different community; White individuals report being more likely to stay in their current residence and never move.

Q3: Thinking about your future years, are you more likely to…?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

*White and African American are non-Hispanic
LGBT adults report being more likely to move to a different community in their future years.

Q3: Thinking about your future years, are you more likely to...

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Males and females are similar in thinking about moving or staying in their current communities/residences in the future.

Q3: Thinking about your future years, are you more likely to...

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Younger generations are more likely to move to a different community compared to older generations which are more likely to stay in their current residence.

Q3: Thinking about your future years, are you more likely to...?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Likelihood of moving or staying in the same residence or community is similar across income levels.

Q3: Thinking about your future years, are you more likely to...

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Half of adults are interested in joining a village in their area and are willing to pay an annual membership fee.

A "village" is a community-based, non-profit, member organization dedicated to doing what is needed for people to stay in their own homes independently as they age. For a fee, a village gives members access to social and educational activities, health and wellness programs, trustworthy businesses for outside services, medical services, volunteer services and transportation to help members stay in their home.

Q28: How interested would you be in joining a village in your area? Q29: How willing would you be to pay an annual fee based on income for access to services offered through a village organization?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Individuals who are interested in living in villages are more willing to pay an annual fee.

Q28: How interested would you be in joining a village in your area? Q29: How willing would you be to pay an annual fee based on income for access to services offered through a village organization?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Interest in living in a village and willingness to pay a fee is similar between age groups.

“How interested would you be in joining a village in your area?”

- All: 56% Extremely, 34% Very, 15% Somewhat
- 18-49 Years: 56% Extremely, 34% Very, 13% Somewhat
- 50+ Years: 56% Extremely, 34% Very, 17% Somewhat
- 65+ Years: 54% Extremely, 33% Very, 15% Somewhat

“How willing would you be to pay an annual fee based on income for access to services offered through a village organization?”

- All: 52% Extremely, 49% Very, 54% Somewhat
- 18-49 Years: 52% Extremely, 49% Very, 54% Somewhat
- 50+ Years: 51% Extremely, 49% Very, 54% Somewhat
- 65+ Years: 51% Extremely, 49% Very, 54% Somewhat

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Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Interest in joining a village and willingness to pay a fee is highest among African Americans and Hispanics.

“How interested would you be in joining a village in your area?”

- Extremely: 56%, 34%, 15%, 7%
- Very: 48%, 30%, 21%, 13%
- Somewhat: 76%, 40%, 19%, 15%

“How willing would you be to pay an annual fee based on income for access to services offered through a village organization?”

- Extremely: 52%, 37%, 37%, 11%
- Very: 45%, 32%, 32%, 10%
- Somewhat: 66%, 42%, 42%, 13%

Q28: How interested would you be in joining a village in your area? Q29: How willing would you be to pay an annual fee based on income for access to services offered through a village organization?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

*White and African American are non-Hispanic
Interest in joining a village and willingness to pay a fee is similar among LGBT and non-LGBT adults.

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Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Females are more interested in joining a village than males; however, willingness to pay a fee is similar across these groups.

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Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Interest in joining a village and willingness to pay a fee are similar across generations.

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Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Interest in joining a village is lowest in adults with income between $50,000 and $74,999; willingness to pay an annual fee is similar across income levels.

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Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Over six in ten adults are home owners living in single family homes.

Q5: Which of the following types of homes best describes where you currently live? Q6: Do you own or rent your residence?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults age 50 and older and 65 and older are more likely to be home owners than adults age 18-49.

Q6: Do you own or rent your residence?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Hispanics and African Americans are less likely to be homeowners and more likely to be living with family or others.

Q6: Do you own or rent your residence?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

*White and African American are non-Hispanic
LGBT adults report lower rates of home ownership and higher rates of living with family or others.

Q6: Do you own or rent your residence?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Males and females are similar in owning, renting, and living with family/others.

Q6: Do you own or rent your residence?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Older generations are more likely to own their residences, while younger generations are more likely to rent; Generation Z is most likely to live with family or others.

Q6: Do you own or rent your residence?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults with the lowest income level are less likely than all other income levels to own and more likely to rent.

Q6: Do you own or rent your residence?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Most homes have a bathroom and/or bedroom on the main level and easy outdoor access.

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<td>A full bath on the main level</td>
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<td>A sidewalk or walkway in front of my home that allows easy access to a driveway and/or the street</td>
<td>79%</td>
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<td>A bedroom, or a room that could be used as one, on the main level</td>
<td>78%</td>
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<td>A half bath on the main level</td>
<td>43%</td>
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<td>Doorways that are wider than the standard 28 to 32 inches</td>
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<td>Door handles that are levers instead of knobs</td>
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<td>An entrance without steps</td>
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34% of adults say they need to make major repairs, home modifications, or changes as themselves or family members age.

Q4: Thinking about your current home, does it have...?

Q7: Do you think you will need to make changes or modifications to your home to enable you or other family members to continue living in your home, when you or your family members reach an age when some physical assistance may be needed?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Among those who expect changes to their home as they age, more than two-thirds think they will need to make modifications to bathrooms and/or home access.

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<td>Bathroom modifications such as grab bars, handrails, higher toilet, non-slip tile or no-step shower</td>
<td>71%</td>
<td>13%</td>
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<td>Easier access into or within your home such as a ramp, chairlift or elevator, or wider doorways</td>
<td>67%</td>
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<td>Installing a medical emergency response system that notifies others in case of emergency</td>
<td>47%</td>
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<td>Improving lighting around the outside of your home including entryways and driveways</td>
<td>38%</td>
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<td>Putting a bedroom, bathroom and kitchen on the first floor</td>
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<td>Improving lighting inside your home including areas such as hallways, stairs, bathrooms and living spaces</td>
<td>27%</td>
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<td>Other type of modification</td>
<td>9%</td>
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*Percentages for “Not sure/No response” not shown.

Q8: Do you think you will need to make the following types of modifications or improvements to your home to enable you or a family member to stay there when you or your family members reach an age when some physical assistance may be needed?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Few currently have accessory dwelling units; however, a third would consider building one.

An Accessory Dwelling Unit, or ADU, is a residential unit built on the same lot as an existing single family home and may be attached or detached to the home. It can be commonly referred to as a “granny flat” or “in-law quarters.” ADUs provide complete separate living quarters, including a kitchen and bathroom, that can allow older adults to age in their existing home with live-in care, make it possible for adults to assist their aging parents, other relatives and loved ones, or be used for rental income.

Q9: Do you currently have an ADU on your property? Q10: [Respondents who do not have an ADU on their property] If you had the space to create an ADU within your home or on your property, would you consider doing that?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults age 18-49 are more likely to consider living in an ADU for economic reasons than adults age 65 and older; regardless of age, the most compelling reason adults would consider living in an ADU is to live near others but still have their own space.

Q13: Would you consider living in an ADU...?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Living in an ADU for the purpose of living near others but still having their own space is also the most compelling reason regardless of race/ethnicity.

Q13: Would you consider living in an ADU...

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

*White and African American are non-Hispanic

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LGBT adults are much more likely to say they would consider living in an ADU to lower their housing costs.

Q13: Would you consider living in an ADU...?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Males and females are similar in considerations for living in an ADU.

Q13: Would you consider living in an ADU...?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Silent generation is least likely to live in an ADU to lower housing costs; Generation Y, X, and Baby Boomers are more likely to live in an ADU if they needed help with daily activities.

Q13: Would you consider living in an ADU...

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Those with incomes of $75,000+ are more likely to consider living in an ADU if they needed help with daily activities or to live close by but in their own separate place.

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults who have or would consider building an ADU are most willing to do so to provide space for those they care about.

To have a place for a loved one to stay who needs care
- Major reason: 68%
- Minor reason: 16%
- Not a reason: 16%

To provide a home for family members or friends
- Major reason: 57%
- Minor reason: 26%
- Not a reason: 15%

To have someone living close by and feel more secure
- Major reason: 35%
- Minor reason: 29%
- Not a reason: 36%

To have a place for guests to stay
- Major reason: 35%
- Minor reason: 44%
- Not a reason: 21%

To increase the value of your home
- Major reason: 32%
- Minor reason: 35%
- Not a reason: 32%

To earn extra income from rent
- Major reason: 27%
- Minor reason: 26%
- Not a reason: 46%

To have a place for a caregiver to stay
- Major reason: 26%
- Minor reason: 34%
- Not a reason: 39%

To provide affordable housing in your community
- Major reason: 13%
- Minor reason: 26%
- Not a reason: 61%

*Percentages for “Don’t know/No response” not shown.

Q11: [Respondents have an ADU on their property or would consider building an ADU on their property.] For each of the following reasons choose whether each one is a major reason, a minor reason, or not a reason for building an ADU on their property.

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults who would not consider building an ADU cite a top reason of not believing they need one; a majority also cite economic concerns.

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*Percentages for “Don’t know/No response” not shown.

Q12: [Respondents who would not consider building an ADU on their property]. For each of the following reasons choose whether each one would be a major reason, a minor reason, or not a reason for NOT building an ADU on your property.

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Half already share or would consider sharing their homes as they age; among those uninterested or less certain about the idea, a majority would consider home sharing if they needed help with everyday activities.

**Reasons Would Consider Sharing Home**

(among respondents who say they would not share their home or are unsure)

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<td>You needed help with everyday activities such as household chores or transportation to places like the grocery store or doctor’s office</td>
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<td>You found yourself not wanting to live alone and wanting companionship</td>
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<td>You needed extra income</td>
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Q14: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with another person? Q15: [Respondents are unsure or indicate they would not consider sharing their home] Would sharing your home with another person be something you would consider if...? Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
From 2014 to 2018, considerations for home sharing have changed.

Q14: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with another person? Q15: Would sharing your home with another person be something you would consider if…? Note: Data collection methodologies and sample changed between 2014 and 2018 from phone interview to self-administered online surveys and adults age 45-plus to adults age 18-plus. Comparisons of common questions are made for adults age 50-plus to accommodate for sample changes and the consistency of this report.

Adults age 50 and older today are much more willing to consider home sharing for extra income or if they need help with daily activities.
Consideration for home sharing is similar across age groups; adults age 18-49 give greater consideration to home sharing for financial reasons than adults age 50 and older and 65 and older.

Q14: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with another person? Q15: Would sharing your home with another person be something you would consider if...?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Consideration for home sharing is similar across race/ethnicity.

Q14: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with another person?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBT adults are more likely to consider home sharing as they age, citing companionship as the most compelling reason.

Q14: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with another person? Q15: Would sharing your home with another person be something you would consider if...?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

60% of LGBT adults report that companionship is a reason that they would consider sharing a home.
Males and females are similar in consideration for home sharing in general; females are more likely to consider it in the future if they needed help with daily activities.

Females report being more likely to consider sharing a home if they needed help with daily activities than males.

Q14: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with another person? Q15: Would sharing your home with another person be something you would consider if...?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Generations Y, X, and Baby Boomers are more likely to consider sharing a home as they grow older; although more Gen Z report being unsure, it is not a statistically significant difference.

Q14: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with another person?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults reporting greater income levels are slightly more inclined to consider home sharing although it is not a statistically significant difference.

Q14: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with another person?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Ride Share
Ride Share Highlights

- Most (84%) adults drive themselves to get around their communities.
- Nearly all adults, regardless of age, have heard of ride share services; however, only 43 percent have used these services and 55 percent are not likely to use them in the next year.
- Adults age 18-49, Hispanics, LGBT adults, and adults with incomes of $75K or higher report higher usage of ride share services.
- Adults age 50 and older and adults with disabilities are less likely to use ride share in the next year.
- A lack of need for ride share services is the top reason for not using ride share, as cited by 55 percent of adults and this does not differ across age groups.
- A secondary reason, among all adults, for not using ride share is concern about the privacy and safety of their financial information. Additionally, adults age 65 and older and females cite concern about their personal safety as a deterrent to using ride share.

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Most adults drive to get around their community.

Drive themselves: 84%
Walk: 38%
Have others drive you: 27%
Use public transportation: 15%
Ride a bike: 13%
Use a ride-share: 9%
Take a taxi: 6%
Use a special transportation service: 3%
Some other way: 3%

Q23: How do you usually get around your community for things like shopping, visiting the doctor, running errands, or other things?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults age 18-49 report greater frequencies of all forms of transportation, with the exception of driving themselves or utilizing special transportation.

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Q23: How do you usually get around your community for things like shopping, visiting the doctor, running errands, or other things?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults with a disability are less likely to walk, more likely to have others drive them, and are more likely to use most other forms of transportation.

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Q23: How do you usually get around your community for things like shopping, visiting the doctor, running errands, or other things? 
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Among those who have heard of ride share, few have ever used and the majority are not likely to use in the next year.

93% Have heard of ride-share companies

43% Have used a ride-share company

55% are not likely to use ride-share in the next year

Q16: Have you ever heard of ride share companies such as Uber or Lyft? Q17: [Respondents who have heard of ride share companies] Have you ever used a ride-share company such as Uber or Lyft? Q21: How likely are you to use ride share companies such as Uber or Lyft in the next year?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
More adults age 18-49 report using ride-share services, and are more likely than older adults to use in the next year.

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Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Awareness of ride-share companies is similar across race/ethnicity; Hispanic adults report greater rates of having used them previously.

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Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBT adults are more likely to have previously used ride-share services, and also more likely to use in the next year.

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More males have heard of ride share, but usage and intent to use are similar across males and females.

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Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Younger generations (Gen Z, Y, and X) are more likely to have previously used ride-share services, and older generations (Baby Boomers and Silent) are least likely to use in the next year.

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Adults with incomes of $75,000+ are most likely to report using ride-share previously, and also more likely to use in the future.

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Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults with a disability are less likely to have used ride-share companies, and less likely to use them in the next year.

Over 1 in 4 adults with a disability report concerns that the driver will not be able to assist them as a reason for not using ride-share companies.

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Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Most use ride-sharing services for personal use; the majority have been very satisfied with their most recent experiences.

Rider Usage
5% use weekly
19% use monthly
34% a few times a year
41% not regular users

68% Personal
6% Business
26% Both Personal and Business

70% Very satisfied with their most recent experience

Q18: [Respondents who have used ride share companies] On average, how often do you use ride share companies? Q19: Would you say you use ride share for personal use, business use, or both? Q20: How satisfied were you with your most recent ride share experience?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
A lack of need and concerns about privacy and safety are the top reasons for not using a ride-share among those who are non-users or infrequent users.

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<td>I don’t know enough about these services</td>
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<td>8%</td>
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Q22: [Respondents who haven’t heard of ride share, never uses ride share, or uses ride-share a few times per year or less often] Following is a list of reasons why some people might NOT use ride share services such as Uber or Lyft. For you personally, choose whether each reason is a major reason, a minor reason, or not a reason.

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top reasons for not using ride-share services are similar across age groups, except those age 65 and older expressed a major concern for their physical safety.

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Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top concerns for not using ride share are similar across race/ethnicity focusing on lack of need and privacy/safety.

**Top 3 in White**
- I have no need for these types of services
- I don’t trust the privacy or security of my financial information
- I am concerned about my personal safety or being physically hurt

**Top 3 in African American**
- I have no need for these types of services
- I don’t trust the privacy or security of my financial information
- I don’t trust the privacy or security of my personal information

**Top 3 in Hispanic**
- I have no need for these types of services
- I don’t trust the privacy or security of my financial information
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Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top concerns for not using ride share are the same for LGBT and non-LGBT adults.

**Top 3 in Non-LGBT**
- I have no need for these types of services
- I don’t trust the privacy or security of my financial information
- I don’t trust the privacy or security of my personal information

**Top 3 in LGBT**
- I have no need for these types of services
- I don’t trust the privacy or security of my financial information
- I don’t trust the privacy or security of my personal information

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Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Females include concerns for personal safety in top three major concerns for not using ride-share services.

**Top 3 in Males**
- I have no need for these types of services
- I don’t trust the privacy or security of my financial information
- I don’t trust the privacy or security of my personal information

**Top 3 in Females**
- I have no need for these types of services
- I am concerned about my personal safety or being physically hurt
- I don’t trust the privacy or security of my personal information

Q22: [Respondents include those that haven’t heard of ride-share, never uses ride-share, or uses ride-share a few times per year or less often] Following is a list of reasons why some people might NOT use ride-share services such as Uber or Lyft. For you personally, choose whether each reason is a major reason, a minor reason, or not a reason.

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Generations are similar in top three concerns for not using ride-share; Gen Z, Y, and Silent include concerns for personal safety.

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Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top concerns for not using ride-share services are similar across income levels with focus on lack of need for services, safety, and privacy/security of information.

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Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Of adults who have heard of self-driving cars, more than half say they are familiar with them; however, most are not willing to ride in them.

88% of adults have heard of self-driving cars

“How familiar would you say you are with driverless or self-driving cars?”

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“If driverless or self-driving cars were available in your area today, how willing would you be to ride in a driverless or self-driving car?”

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Q24: Have you ever heard of driverless or self-driving cars? Q25: [Respondents who have heard of self-driving cars] How familiar would you say you are with driverless or self-driving cars? Q26: If driverless or self-driving cars were available in your area today, how willing would you be to ride in a driverless or self-driving car?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Age groups are similar in familiarity; adults age 18-49 are more willing to ride in a driverless car.

92% of adults age 50 and older and 94% of adults age 65 and older have heard of self-driving cars versus 85% of adults 18-49

Q24: Have you ever heard of driverless or self-driving cars? Q25: How familiar would you say you are with driverless or self-driving cars? Q26: If driverless or self-driving cars were available in your area today, how willing would you be to ride in a driverless or self-driving car?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults with a disability are more willing to ride in a driverless or self-driving car than those without a disability.

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“If driverless or self-driving cars were available in your area today, how willing would you be to ride in a driverless or self-driving car?”

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Q25: How familiar would you say you are with driverless or self-driving cars? Q26: If driverless or self-driving cars were available in your area today, how willing would you be to ride in a driverless or self-driving car?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Community Features & Services
Community Features & Services Highlights

- The most important community features across all seven areas covered in the survey are well-maintained streets and intersections, easy to read traffic signs, well-maintained and conveniently located health care facilities, and safe parks.

- The most important community features specifically within housing include affordable housing, high quality contractors, and home repair services for low-income and older adults.

- When it comes to streets and transportation, the most important community features are well-maintained streets, easy to read traffic signs, and safe, accessible and affordable public transportation.

- Well-maintained and convenient health care facilities, safe parks, and convenient grocery stores are key community features identified as most important with regards to outdoor spaces and buildings.

- When considering social and volunteer activities, having affordable activities, fitness activities, and avenues that allow residents to actively volunteer in their communities are important.

- All of the employment survey items are rated important by most adults and relate to job opportunities for older adults and individuals with disabilities, and policies that ensure older adults can work.

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top Important Community Features
(% Extremely/Very Important)

- Streets & Sidewalks: 88%
- Outdoor Spaces & Buildings: 87%
- Outdoor Spaces & Buildings: 83%
- Outdoor Spaces & Buildings: 82%
- Streets & Sidewalks: 82%

Q27: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Bottom Important Community Features
(% Not Very/Not at all Important)

- **Transportation**: Public transportation that is close to your home (26%)
- **Social Participation**: Activities specifically geared towards adults with dementia (24%)
- **Social Participation**: Local schools that involve older adults in events and activities (21%)
- **Social Participation**: Activities geared specifically towards older adults (21%)
- **Transportation**: Timely public transportation (20%)

Q27: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 AARP Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
At least eight in ten adults say well-maintained, safe and accessible streets, and easy to read traffic signs are extremely or very important community features.

Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

*Percentages for “Don’t know/No response” not shown.
Adults of all ages found the same three features to be the most important concerning streets.

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Q27: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top three street and sidewalk features are similar across race/ethnicity; Hispanic adults included sidewalk condition, safety and accessibility.

**Top 3 in White**
- Well-maintained streets
- Easy to read traffic signs
- Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users

**Top 3 in African American**
- Well-maintained streets
- Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users
- Easy to read traffic signs

**Top 3 in Hispanic**
- Well-maintained streets
- Sidewalks that are in good condition, safe for pedestrians, and accessible for wheelchairs or other assistive mobility devices
- Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users

Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top sidewalk and street features are similar for LGBT and non-LGBT adults.

- **Top 3 in Non-LGBT**
  - Well-maintained streets
  - Easy to read traffic signs
  - Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users

- **Top 3 in LGBT**
  - Well-maintained streets
  - Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users
  - Easy to read traffic signs

Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top sidewalk and street features are the same across males and females.

Top 3 in Males
- Well-maintained streets
- Easy to read traffic signs
- Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users

Top 3 in Females
- Well-maintained streets
- Easy to read traffic signs
- Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users

Q27: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Generations are similar in top street and sidewalk features.

**Top 3 in Gen Z**
- Well-maintained streets
- Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users
- Easy to read traffic signs

**Top 3 in Gen Y**
- Well-maintained streets
- Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users
- Easy to read traffic signs

**Top 3 in Gen X**
- Well-maintained streets
- Easy to read traffic signs
- Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users

**Top 3 in Baby Boomers**
- Well-maintained streets
- Easy to read traffic signs
- Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users

**Top 3 in Silents**
- Easy to read traffic signs
- Well-maintained streets
- Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users

Q27: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top street and sidewalk features are similar across income levels.

**Top 3 in <$25K**
- Well-maintained streets
- Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users
- Easy to read traffic signs

**Top 3 in $25-49.9K**
- Well-maintained streets
- Easy to read traffic signs
- Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users

**Top 3 in $50-74.9K**
- Well-maintained streets
- Easy to read traffic signs
- Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users

**Top 3 in $75K+**
- Well-maintained streets
- Easy to read traffic signs
- Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users

Q27: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults rate well-maintained and convenient health care facilities, safe parks, and convenient grocery stores as their most important public spaces and buildings community features.

Q27: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

*Percentages for “Don’t know/No response” not shown.

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All adults rate health care facilities and parks in the top features; however, older adults rate conveniently located health care facilities near the top while younger adults cite grocery stores as a more important feature.

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Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top outdoor spaces and buildings are similar across race/ethnicity with a focus on health care facilities and parks.

Top 3 in White
Well-maintained hospitals and health care facilities
Conveniently located hospitals and health care facilities
Safe parks

Top 3 in African American
Well-maintained hospitals and health care facilities
Conveniently located urgent care centers
Well-maintained parks that accommodate all residents

Top 3 in Hispanic
Well-maintained hospitals and health care facilities
Safe parks
Conveniently located hospitals and health care facilities

Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBT adults are similar to non-LGBT in top outdoor spaces and buildings, however, LGBT adults include conveniently located grocery stores in the top three.

**Top 3 in Non-LGBT**
- Well-maintained hospitals and health care facilities
- Safe parks
- Conveniently located hospitals and health care facilities

**Top 3 in LGBT**
- Well-maintained hospitals and health care facilities
- Safe parks
- Conveniently located grocery stores

Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Males and females are similar in two out of three top features; females rank conveniently located grocery stores in the top three while males rank conveniently located health care facilities.

**Top 3 in Males**
- Well-maintained hospitals and health care facilities
- Safe parks
- Conveniently located hospitals and health care facilities

**Top 3 in Females**
- Well-maintained hospitals and health care facilities
- Conveniently located grocery stores
- Safe parks

Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Generations differ slightly in top features, but common themes of health care facilities, parks, and grocery stores are similar.

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Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
All income levels include top features focused on health care facilities; lower incomes include grocery store locations while higher incomes include safe parks.

**Top 3 in <$25K**
- Well-maintained hospitals and health care facilities
- Conveniently located grocery stores
- Conveniently located urgent care centers

**Top 3 in $25-49.9K**
- Well-maintained hospitals and health care facilities
- Conveniently located hospitals and health care facilities
- Conveniently located grocery stores

**Top 3 in $50-74.9K**
- Well-maintained hospitals and health care facilities
- Safe parks
- Conveniently located hospitals and health care facilities

**Top 3 in $75K+**
- Well-maintained hospitals and health care facilities
- Safe parks
- Conveniently located hospitals and health care facilities

Q27: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults believe high quality contractors, affordable housing, and home repair services for lower-income and older adults are highly important.

- Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do quality work: 73% Extremely/Very important, 18% Somewhat important, 8% Not very/Not at all important
- Affordable housing options for adults of varying income levels: 60% Extremely/Very important, 25% Somewhat important, 14% Not very/Not at all important
- A home repair service for low-income and older adults that helps with things like roof or window repairs: 59% Extremely/Very important, 27% Somewhat important, 13% Not very/Not at all important
- Well-maintained, safe low-income housing: 56% Extremely/Very important, 26% Somewhat important, 17% Not very/Not at all important
- Seasonal services such as lawn work for low-income and older adults: 54% Extremely/Very important, 29% Somewhat important, 16% Not very/Not at all important
- Homes built for easier access with no-step entrances, wider doorways, first floor bath and bedrooms: 54% Extremely/Very important, 28% Somewhat important, 18% Not very/Not at all important

*Percentages for “Don’t know/No response” not shown.

Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults age 18-49 years report well-maintained and safe low-income housing in the top features; adults age 50 and older and 65 and older report home repair services for low-income and older adults as a top feature.

Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top housing features are similar across race/ethnicity with priorities being home modification services and affordable housing.

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Q27: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBT adults include well-maintained, safe low-income housing in top housing features; non-LGBT include a home repair service for low-income and older adults.

**Top 3 in Non-LGBT**
- Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do quality work
- Affordable housing options for adults of varying income levels
- A home repair service for low-income and older adults

**Top 3 in LGBT**
- Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do quality work
- Well-maintained, safe low-income housing
- Affordable housing options for adults of varying income levels

Q27: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?  
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Males and females are the same in top three housing features.

**Top 3 in Males**
- Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do quality work
- Affordable housing options for adults of varying income levels
- A home repair service for low-income and older adults

**Top 3 in Females**
- Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do quality work
- Affordable housing options for adults of varying income levels
- A home repair service for low-income and older adults

Q27: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Generations are similar in top features with common themes of home modification services and affordability; Gen Z includes homes built for easier access.

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Top housing features are similar across income levels; lowest income bracket includes well-maintained and safe low-income housing.

- **Top 3 in <$25K**
  - Affordable housing options for adults of varying income levels
  - A home repair service for low-income and older adults
  - Well-maintained, safe low-income housing

- **Top 3 in $25-49.9K**
  - Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do quality work
  - A home repair service for low-income and older adults
  - Affordable housing options for adults of varying income levels

- **Top 3 in $50-74.9K**
  - Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do quality work
  - A home repair service for low-income and older adults
  - Affordable housing options for adults of varying income levels

- **Top 3 in $75K+**
  - Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do quality work
  - Affordable housing options for adults of varying income levels
  - A home repair service for low-income and older adults

Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
More than six in ten adults say affordable activities for all and fitness activities are extremely or very important to have in their community.

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Q27: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults age 18-49 years cite activities involving both younger and older people in the top features; adults age 50 and older and 65 and older report activities that offer senior discounts in the top features.

**Top 3 Features in 18-49**
- Activities that are affordable to all residents
- Affordable fitness activities
- Activities that involve both younger and older people

**Top 3 Features in 50+**
- Activities that are affordable to all residents
- Affordable fitness activities
- Activities that offer senior discounts

**Top 3 Features in 65+**
- Activities that are affordable to all residents
- Activities that offer senior discounts
- Affordable fitness activities

Q27: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top social participation features are similar in two out of three across race/ethnicity with affordability of activities being a priority.

**Top 3 in White**
- Activities that are affordable to all residents
- Affordable fitness activities
- Places to meet and socialize with friends and neighbors

**Top 3 in African American**
- Activities that are affordable to all residents
- Activities that offer senior discounts
- Affordable fitness activities

**Top 3 in Hispanic**
- Activities that are affordable to all residents
- Affordable fitness activities
- Continuing education classes

Q27: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBT adults include a variety of cultural activities in top social participation features; non-LGBT include affordable fitness activities.

**Top 3 in Non-LGBT**
- Activities that are affordable to all residents
- Affordable fitness activities
- Places to meet and socialize with friends and neighbors

**Top 3 in LGBT**
- A variety of cultural activities
- Activities that are affordable to all residents
- Places to meet and socialize with friends and neighbors

Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Males report places to socialize as a top priority; females include activities that involve both younger and older people.

**Top 3 in Males**
- Activities that are affordable to all residents
- Affordable fitness activities
- Places to meet and socialize with friends and neighbors

**Top 3 in Females**
- Activities that are affordable to all residents
- Affordable fitness activities
- Activities that involve both younger and older people

Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
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Generations are similar across top social participation features with priorities being affordable activities.

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Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Three in ten adults report lacking companionship, feeling left out, and feeling isolated from others; however 90 percent of adults have friends or family they could call on in a time of trouble.

QD9: How often do you feel the following? I lack companionship; I feel left out; I feel isolated from others; QD10: If you were in trouble, do you have friends or family who can help you at any time of the day or night?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

90% of adults have either family or friends they could call on day or night if they were in trouble.
Adults age 18-49 are more likely to report feeling left out and isolated from others.

Adults age 50 and older and 65 and older are more likely than adults age 18-49 to have someone to turn to if they were in trouble.

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Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
African Americans report greater rates of lacking companionship than Whites and Hispanics, and report being less likely to have someone to call if in trouble than Whites.

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QD9: How often do you feel the following? I lack companionship; I feel left out; I feel isolated from others; QD10: If you were in trouble, do you have friends or family who can help you at any time of the day or night?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBT adults are more likely than non-LGBT adults to say they lack companionship and feel left out and isolated from others.

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

QD9: How often do you feel the following? I lack companionship; I feel left out; I feel isolated from others; QD10: If you were in trouble, do you have friends or family who can help you at any time of the day or night?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Males and females are similar in lacking companionship, feeling left out, and feeling isolated from others; both genders indicate high rates of having someone to call if they were in trouble.

(QD9: How often do you feel the following? I lack companionship; I feel left out; I feel isolated from others; QD10: If you were in trouble, do you have friends or family who can help you at any time of the day or night?)

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Gen Z is more likely to report lacking companionship, feeling left out, and feeling isolated from others.

The Silent Generation is more likely than Gen X, Gen Y and Gen Z to have someone to turn to if they were in trouble.
Adults with incomes of less than $25K are more likely to report lacking companionship and feeling isolated from others.

(QD9: How often do you feel the following? I lack companionship; I feel left out; I feel isolated from others; QD10: If you were in trouble, do you have friends or family who can help you at any time of the day or night?)

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
About six in ten say it is extremely or very important to have policies to ensure older adults can work and job opportunities for older and disabled people.

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<td>Policies to ensure that older adults can have equal opportunity to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of their age</td>
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<td>60%</td>
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<td>A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults</td>
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<td>Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or get training in a different field of work</td>
<td>55%</td>
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Adults of all ages found the same three features to be the most important concerning employment opportunities.

**Top 3 Features in 18-49**
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults
- Policies to ensure that older adults can have equal opportunity to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of their age
- Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities

**Top 3 Features in 50+**
- Policies to ensure that older adults can have equal opportunity to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of their age
- Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

**Top 3 Features in 65+**
- Policies to ensure that older adults can have equal opportunity to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of their age
- Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Q27: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top employment features are similar across race/ethnicity.

Top 3 in White
- Policies to ensure that older adults can have equal opportunity to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of their age
- Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Top 3 in African American
- Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities
- Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or get training in a different field of work
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Top 3 in Hispanic
- Policies to ensure that older adults can have equal opportunity to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of their age
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults
- Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities

Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBT adults report similar top employment features in the community.

**Top 3 in Non-LGBT**

- Policies to ensure that older adults can have equal opportunity to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of their age
- Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

**Top 3 in LGBT**

- Policies to ensure that older adults can have equal opportunity to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of their age
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults
- Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities

Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Males and females are similar in top employment features; males prioritize job training opportunities for older adults and females prioritize a range of job opportunities for older adults.

Top 3 in Males
- Policies to ensure that older adults can have equal opportunity to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of their age
- Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities
- Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or get training in a different field of work

Top 3 in Females
- Policies to ensure that older adults can have equal opportunity to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of their age
- Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Q27: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Generations are similar in top employment features; Gen Z includes training opportunities for older adults, while other generations include policies to protect older adults’ opportunity to work.

**Top 3 in Gen Z**
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults
- Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities
- Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or get training in a different field of work

**Top 3 in Gen Y**
- Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults
- Policies to ensure that older adults can have equal opportunity to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of their age

**Top 3 in Gen X**
- Policies to ensure that older adults can have equal opportunity to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of their age
- Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

**Top 3 in Baby Boomers**
- Policies to ensure that older adults can have equal opportunity to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of their age
- Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

**Top 3 in Silents**
- Policies to ensure that older adults can have equal opportunity to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of their age
- Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
All levels of income report the same top three features for employment in the community.

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Q27: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Majorities place high importance on public transportation safety, maintenance, timeliness, accessibility, and affordability.

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Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults age 18-49 report timely public transportation among the top features, while adults age 50 and older and 65 and older report special transportation services for people with disabilities and older adults among the top.

### Top 3 Features in 18-49
- Timely public transportation
- Well-maintained public transportation vehicles
- Safe public transportation stops or areas that are accessible to people of varying physical abilities

### Top 3 Features in 50+
- Safe public transportation stops or areas that are accessible to people of varying physical abilities
- Special transportation services for people with disabilities and older adults
- Well-maintained public transportation vehicles

### Top 3 Features in 65+
- Safe public transportation stops or areas that are accessible to people of varying physical abilities
- Special transportation services for people with disabilities and older adults
- Well-maintained public transportation vehicles

Q27: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Hispanic adults include well-maintained public transportation vehicles and affordable transportation in top three features.

**Top 3 in White**
- Safe public transportation stops or areas that are accessible to people of varying physical abilities
- Timely public transportation
- Special transportation services for people with disabilities and older adults

**Top 3 in African American**
- Safe public transportation stops or areas that are accessible to people of varying physical abilities
- Special transportation services for people with disabilities and older adults
- Timely public transportation

**Top 3 in Hispanic**
- Well-maintained public transportation vehicles
- Timely public transportation
- Affordable public transportation

Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBT adults prioritize affordable and well-maintained public transportation, while non-LGBT adults place priority on special transportation services and timeliness.

**Top 3 in Non-LGBT**
- Safe public transportation stops or areas that are accessible to people of varying physical abilities
- Special transportation services for people with disabilities and older adults
- Timely public transportation

**Top 3 in LGBT**
- Safe public transportation stops or areas that are accessible to people of varying physical abilities
- Affordable public transportation
- Well-maintained public transportation vehicles

Q27: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

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Males and females are similar in top transportation features; females include special transportation services for older adults and people with disabilities.

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Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Generations are similar in top features with a focus on safe, affordable and reliable public transit; Gen X and Baby Boomers also include special transportation for older adults and people with disabilities.

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Q27: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Transportation top features are similar across income levels with focus on well-maintained, accessible, and timely transportation.

**Top 3 in <$25K**
- Timely public transportation
- Well-maintained public transportation vehicles
- Affordable public transportation

**Top 3 in $25-49.9K**
- Special transportation services for people with disabilities and older adults
- Safe public transportation stops or areas that are accessible to people of varying physical abilities
- Timely public transportation

**Top 3 in $50-74.9K**
- Safe public transportation stops or areas that are accessible to people of varying physical abilities
- Well-maintained public transportation vehicles
- Special transportation services for people with disabilities and older adults

**Top 3 in $75K+**
- Safe public transportation stops or areas that are accessible to people of varying physical abilities
- Timely public transportation
- Well-maintained public transportation vehicles

Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

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Half of adults say it is extremely or very important for older adults to have volunteer opportunities that allow them to actively engage in their community.

- **Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it**: 50% Extremely/Very important, 31% Somewhat important, 18% Not very/Not at all important
- **Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities**: 50% Extremely/Very important, 32% Somewhat important, 17% Not very/Not at all important
- **A range of volunteer activities to choose from**: 50% Extremely/Very important, 32% Somewhat important, 17% Not very/Not at all important
- **Opportunities for older adults to participate in decision-making bodies such as community councils or committees**: 50% Extremely/Very important, 34% Somewhat important, 16% Not very/Not at all important
- **Volunteer training opportunities to help people perform better in their volunteer roles**: 46% Extremely/Very important, 37% Somewhat important, 17% Not very/Not at all important

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Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults age 50 and older and 65 and older cite opportunities for older adults to participate in decision making among the top features for volunteering.

**Top 3 Features in 18-49**
- Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities
- A range of volunteer activities to choose from
- Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it

**Top 3 Features in 50+**
- Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it
- Opportunities for older adults to participate in decision-making bodies such as community councils or committees
- A range of volunteer activities to choose from

**Top 3 Features in 65+**
- Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it
- Opportunities for older adults to participate in decision-making bodies such as community councils or committees
- Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities

Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?  
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top three volunteering features are similar across race/ethnicity; White and African American include opportunities for older adults to participate in decision making bodies.

**Top 3 in White**
- Opportunities for older adults to participate in decision-making bodies such as community councils or committees
- Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it
- A range of volunteer activities to choose from

**Top 3 in African American**
- Opportunities for older adults to participate in decision-making bodies such as community councils or committees
- Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it
- Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities

**Top 3 in Hispanic**
- A range of volunteer activities to choose from
- Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities
- Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it

Q27: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBT adults include volunteer training in top features; non-LGBT adults include having a range of activities to choose from.

**Top 3 in Non-LGBT**
- Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities
- Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it
- A range of volunteer activities to choose from

**Top 3 in LGBT**
- Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities
- Volunteer training opportunities to help people perform better in their volunteer roles
- Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it

Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Males and females are the same in top volunteering features.

**Top 3 in Males**
- Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it
- Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities
- A range of volunteer activities to choose from

**Top 3 in Females**
- Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it
- Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities
- A range of volunteer activities to choose from

Q27: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Generations are similar in most top features; Gen X, Baby Boomers and Silent include opportunities for older adults to participate in decision making.

**Top 3 in Gen Z**
- Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities
- Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it
- A range of volunteer activities to choose from

**Top 3 in Gen Y**
- Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities
- A range of volunteer activities to choose from
- Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it

**Top 3 in Gen X**
- A range of volunteer activities to choose from
- Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it
- Opportunities for older adults to participate in decision-making bodies such as community councils or committees

**Top 3 in Baby Boomers**
- Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it
- Opportunities for older adults to participate in decision-making bodies such as community councils or committees
- Volunteer training opportunities to help people perform better in their volunteer roles

**Top 3 in Silents**
- Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it
- Opportunities for older adults to participate in decision-making bodies such as community councils or committees
- Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities

Q27: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top volunteering features are similar across income levels; lower incomes reported transportation to volunteer activities; higher incomes reported opportunities for older adults to participate in decision making.

**Top 3 in <$25K**
- Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it
- A range of volunteer activities to choose from
- Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities

**Top 3 in $25-49.9K**
- Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it
- A range of volunteer activities to choose from
- Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities

**Top 3 in $50-74.9K**
- Opportunities for older adults to participate in decision-making bodies such as community councils or committees
- A range of volunteer activities to choose from
- Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities

**Top 3 in $75K+**
- Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities
- Opportunities for older adults to participate in decision-making bodies such as community councils or committees
- A range of volunteer activities to choose from

Q27: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?
Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Demographics
Respondent Profile: Personal Characteristics

**Age**
- 18-49 Years: 55%
- 50-59 Years: 19%
- 60-74 Years: 20%
- 75+ Years: 6%

**Race/Ethnicity**
- White, non-Hispanic: 65%
- Hispanic: 16%
- Black, non-Hispanic: 12%
- Two or more races, non-Hispanic: 3%
- Asian, non-Hispanic: 3%
- Other, non-Hispanic: 2%

**Marital Status**
- Married: 51%
- Never married: 22%
- Divorced: 12%
- Living with partner: 8%
- Widowed: 4%
- Separated: 3%

**Gender**
- Female: 52%
- Male: 48%

**AARP Membership**
- Non-members: 84%
- Members: 16%

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Respondent Profile: Lifestyle Characteristics

Contact with Family, Friends and Neighbors

- Everyday: 33%
- Several times a week: 38%
- Once a week: 13%
- Once every 2 or 3 weeks: 7%
- Once a month: 3%
- Less than monthly: 4%
- Never: 1%

Type of Community

- Suburban and mostly residential: 23%
- Urban and mostly residential: 17%
- Suburban with mix of offices, apartments and shops: 17%
- Rural area: 17%
- Small town: 15%
- Urban near mix of offices, apartments, and shops: 11%

Feel Left Out

- Often: 7%
- Sometimes: 23%
- Rarely: 31%
- Never: 39%

Lack Companionship

- Often: 9%
- Sometimes: 22%
- Rarely: 27%
- Never: 42%

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Respondent Profile: Physical Health Characteristics

Health Status

- Fair/Poor: 13%
- Good: 31%
- Excellent/Very good: 56%

Disability Status

- Neither: 78%
- Myself: 9%
- My spouse/partner: 7%
- Both myself and my spouse/partner: 6%

Caregiver Status

- Future*: 57%
- Current: 16%

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Respondent Profile: Socioeconomic & Voting Characteristics

Employment Status

- Paid Employee: 52%
- Self-Employed: 8%
- Retired: 17%
- Looking for work: 8%
- Disabled: 6%
- Temporary layoff from a job: 1%
- Other: 8%

Education

- 0 to 12th grade, but with no diploma: 11%
- High school graduate or equivalent: 29%
- Post high school education, but with no degree: 20%
- 2 year degree (Associate's Degree): 8%
- 4 year degree (Bachelor's Degree): 19%
- Master's degree: 9%
- Professional or doctorate degree: 4%

Income

- <$10,000: 6%
- $10,000 - $19,999: 10%
- $20,000 - $29,999: 12%
- $30,000 - $49,999: 19%
- $50,000 - $74,999: 17%
- $75,000 - $99,999: 12%
- $100,000 - $149,999: 15%
- $150,000+: 9%

Political Party

- Independent: 6%
- Democrat: 48%
- Republican: 42%
- Unknown: 3%

Voting Behavior

- Always: 41%
- Most of the time: 21%
- About half of the time: 9%
- Seldom: 11%
- Never: 17%

Source: 2018 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Implications
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Adults want to stay in their communities and homes as they grow older especially when considering life after their working years. People spend years making connections and commitments to homes, friendships, community organizations, and local social ties within their community. **Communities become a source of support and engagement for its residents, particularly older adults who have an even stronger desire to age in place.**

Although most adults want to grow old in their communities, many of them do not see themselves staying in their current environment as they age. **Having alternatives like home sharing, accessory dwelling units and villages are things many are willing to consider, and would give people more choice in how and where they want to age.**

Although most adults drive to get around their community the ability to continue driving in later years could decline putting one’s health and well-being at risk. **Having alternative modes of transportation, like ride share, is key to ensuring that all residents can continue to have access to the community supports and services they need.** While nearly all adults have heard of ride share services far fewer are willing to use them, particularly older adults. **Educating people on the benefits and use of ride share services can help people maintain their independence and ensure they stay actively engaged in community life.**
Survey Methodology
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A survey was commissioned by AARP to assess public opinion among adults age 18 and older on their preferences with regards to their homes and communities.

Data for this study was collected from March 21st to April 2nd, 2018 by NORC using its online AmeriSpeak Panel that is representative of the U.S. population. NORC conducted a total of 1,947 interviews of a 23 minute (median) survey that consisted of a nationally representative sample of adults age 18 and older. The survey was conducted in English and Spanish.

NORC conducted 1,761 interviews online and 186 by telephone for those respondents who preferred telephone over online. The data were weighted to reflect the U.S. population of adults age 18 and older. The data were weighted by age, gender, Census region, race/ethnicity, income and education. The variables used for weighting were obtained from the 2017 Current Population Survey. Additionally, the data were weighted by AARP membership using statistics from the AARP membership database. The margin of error for this national survey sample is +/-3.53%.
## Definitions

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About AARP

AARP is the nation’s largest nonprofit, nonpartisan organization dedicated to empowering Americans 50 and older to choose how they live as they age. With nearly 38 million members and offices in every state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands, AARP works to strengthen communities and advocate for what matters most to families with a focus on health security, financial stability and personal fulfillment. AARP also works for individuals in the marketplace by sparking new solutions and allowing carefully chosen, high-quality products and services to carry the AARP name. As a trusted source for news and information, AARP produces the nation's largest circulation publications, AARP The Magazine and AARP Bulletin. To learn more, visit www.aarp.org or follow @AARP and @AARPadvocates on social media.
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