2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18+ Chartbook

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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.

- Over 50 percent of adults ages 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 half of all adults look for communities that are affordable, provide a variety of housing, and make them feel safe.
- More than one in five adults ages 18-49 report they will stay in their current home and never move while at least half of adults age 50 and older say they will never move from their current home.
- 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.
- About half of all adults seek out homes that are affordable and will help them live independently as they age.
- The presence of accessory dwelling units is low, but nearly one in three would consider building one on their property; the top reason to build an ADU is so that a loved one who needs care would have a place to stay.
- Seven out of ten adults already share or would be willing to share a home with a family member, not including a spouse as they age, with a major consideration being if they needed help with daily activities.

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Key Findings: Community Features and Services

When thinking about what is most important to have in their communities, adults primarily value community features that foster good health, promote street safety, and provide good opportunities for community engagement. These themes have remained consistent over the years, especially among 50-plus adults.

- At least three-quarters place high importance on having access to clean safe water and healthy foods as well as quality health care.
- Approximately three in five place high importance on having safe trails and paths to walk, run, and bike.
- Nine in ten of all adults drive themselves to get around their community. Given this great dependence on driving, high importance is placed on street safety with at least three-quarters rating having well-maintained streets and easy to read traffic signs as extremely or very important.
- Moreover, seven in ten say having streets that are accessible and safe for everyone and enforced safe speed limits are highly important to continued safe driving.
- Highly valued community features that cultivate community engagement are having opportunities for residents to serve on councils or committees; gather and discuss community issues; share their knowledge, history, and expertise across generations; and having venues to socialize and pursue hobbies and interests that are accessible to people with varied physical abilities.

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Key Findings: Coronavirus

*Home has become a hub for people throughout the global pandemic as many people are choosing to stay at home more, work remotely, and do more online including shopping and engaging socially.*

- Half of all adults are concerned about COVID-19 affecting themselves and their families and as a result many have chosen to stay at home throughout this pandemic. This sentiment is even stronger among adults age 50 and older.
- Nearly two-thirds have sheltered at home and nearly half began working remotely from home.
- About half have gone out less often by stocking up on supplies and shopping online for supplies.
- Two-thirds of adults have used video chat such as Zoom, Skype, or Facetime to connect with family and friends who do not live with them, and half have participated in virtual doctor visits.
Home and 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.
- Six in ten adults age 50 and older are planning to stay in their current homes and communities compared to about four in ten of younger adults.
- More than six in ten adults are homeowners and are disproportionately age 50 and older.
- Only 4 percent currently have an accessory dwelling unit as part of their home; however, 62 percent would consider building one to provide care for a loved one.
- More than half already share their home or would consider sharing their home with a family member or friend as they age. Of those who would not consider home sharing, many would consider doing so if they needed help with daily activities or did not want to live alone.
- Thirty-four percent of all adults say they need to make changes to their home to enable them to stay there, and about half would consider leaving their home to find one that helps them age independently (49%) or that is more affordable to maintain (44%).
- More than half of all adults would consider leaving their current community to find one that is safer (55%), costs less (49%) and has more affordable (48%) and better housing choices (45%).
- Although more would choose to live in a non-age-restricted community (44%), a third would consider moving into a 55+ adult community (32%) or a continuing care community (32%).

Source: 2021 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

Q3: 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?

Q4: 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: 2021 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

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Source: 2021 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

“What I’d really like to do is remain in my community for as long as possible”

Q3: 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?

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Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Preference to stay in their community and residence is lower among LGBTQ adults

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Preference to stay in their community and residence is similar across males and females

“What I’d really like to do is remain in my community for as long as possible”

- **Strongly agree**
  - All: 67%
  - Male: 64%
  - Female: 70%

- **Somewhat agree**
  - All: 29%
  - Male: 30%
  - Female: 28%

“What I’d really like to do is stay in my current residence for as long as possible”

- **Strongly agree**
  - All: 63%
  - Male: 23%
  - Female: 41%

- **Somewhat agree**
  - All: 22%
  - Male: 24%
  - Female: 38%

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Source: 2021 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

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Source: 2021 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

“What I’d really like to do is remain in my community for as long as possible”

- **Strongly agree**
  - **All:** 67%
  - **<$25K:** 29%
  - **$25-$55K:** 25%
  - **$55-$100K:** 25%
  - **$100-150K+:** 41%
  - **$150K+:** 41%

- **Somewhat agree**
  - **All:** 56%
  - **<$25K:** 38%
  - **$25-$55K:** 43%
  - **$55-$100K:** 41%
  - **$100-150K+:** 38%
  - **$150K+:** 35%

“What I’d really like to do is stay in my current residence for as long as possible”

- **Strongly agree**
  - **All:** 63%
  - **<$25K:** 23%
  - **$25-$55K:** 43%
  - **$55-$100K:** 46%
  - **$100-150K+:** 38%
  - **$150K+:** 32%

- **Somewhat agree**
  - **All:** 64%
  - **<$25K:** 36%
  - **$25-$55K:** 36%
  - **$55-$100K:** 38%
  - **$100-150K+:** 32%
  - **$150K+:** 33%

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Source: 2021 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.

Q5: Thinking about your future years, are you more likely to...

- Stay in your current residence and never move: 34%
- Move into a different residence within your current community: 18%
- Move to a different community: 29%
- Not sure: 19%

Source: 2021 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

Q5: Thinking about your future years, are you more likely to...

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Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Black adults report being more likely to move to a different community; White adults report being more likely to stay in their current residence and never move

Q5: Thinking about your future years, are you more likely to...

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBTQ adults report being more likely to move to a different community in their future years

Q5: Thinking about your future years, are you more likely to...

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Men and women are similar in thinking about moving or staying in their current communities and residences in the future.

Q5: Thinking about your future years, are you more likely to…?

Source: 2021 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.

Q5: Thinking about your future years, are you more likely to…?

Source: 2021 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

Q5: Thinking about your future years, are you more likely to…?

Stay in your current residence and never move

- All: 34%
- <$25K: 29%
- $25-55K: 39%
- $55-100K: 37%
- $100-150K: 33%
- $150K+: 30%

Move to a different community

- All: 18%
- <$25K: 17%
- $25-55K: 19%
- $55-100K: 37%
- $100-150K: 19%
- $150K+: 21%

Move into a different residence within your current community

- All: 19%
- <$25K: 16%
- $25-55K: 18%
- $55-100K: 18%
- $100-150K: 19%
- $150K+: 19%

Not sure

- All: 17%
- <$25K: 25%
- $25-55K: 28%
- $55-100K: 30%
- $100-150K: 30%
- $150K+: 30%

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Two-thirds of adults say they are likely to live in a typical community or neighborhood when they are older, or already live in one.

Q6: [When you get older.] How likely do you think it is that you will move to a typical community or neighborhood where anyone of any age can live and is comprised of single-family homes, two-family homes, townhomes, apartments, and/or mobile homes all with access to services, jobs, and public amenities?

*Only respondents age 55 and over were given response options “Currently in one of these communities” and “Was previously in one of these communities.”

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Just a third of adults say they are likely to live in an active adult or continuing care community

An active adult community or neighborhood is for people age 55 and older that might also feature amenities such as lawn care, central dining, housekeeping, transportation, and a clubhouse for recreational and social activities for a monthly fee.

A continuing Care Community has offerings for people who can live independently as well as for people who need more care. In such a community, residents have the ability to move from independent living to assisted living to a nursing home as their needs change.

Q7: [When you get older.] How likely do you think it is that you will move to an active adult community or neighborhood for people age 55 and older that is comprised of single-family homes, two-family homes, townhomes, apartments, and/or mobile homes?

Q8: [At some point as an older adult.] In your future years, how likely do you think it is that you will move into a Continuing Care Community that has offerings for people who can live independently as well as for people who need more care, such as in an assisted living or nursing home setting?

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Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults ages 18-49 are more likely to say they are likely to live in an active adult community when they are older

**Active Adult Community**

- **Very likely**
  - All: 32%
  - 18-49 Years: 37%
  - 50+ Years: 26%
  - 65+ Years: 24%

- **Somewhat likely**
  - All: 26%
  - 18-49 Years: 30%
  - 50+ Years: 21%
  - 65+ Years: 19%

**Continuing Care Community**

- **Very likely**
  - All: 32%
  - 18-49 Years: 35%
  - 50+ Years: 29%
  - 65+ Years: 29%

- **Somewhat likely**
  - All: 27%
  - 18-49 Years: 29%
  - 50+ Years: 24%
  - 65+ Years: 27%

Q7: [When you get older,] How likely do you think it is that you will move to an active adult community or neighborhood for people age 55 and older that is comprised of single-family homes, two-family homes, townhomes, apartments, and/or mobile homes?

Q8: [At some point as an older adult.] In your future years, how likely do you think it is that you will move into a continuing Care Community that has offerings for people who can live independently as well as for people who need more care, such as in an assisted living or nursing home setting?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Black and Asian American adults are more likely to say they are likely to live in active adult communities as they age

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Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBTQ adults are more likely than non-LGBTQ to say they are likely to live in a continuing care community

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Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Likelihood to move to active adult communities is similar across males and females

### Active Adult Community

- **Very likely**
  - All: 32%
  - Male: 32%
  - Female: 33%

- **Somewhat likely**
  - All: 26%
  - Male: 25%
  - Female: 26%

### Continuing Care Community

- **Very likely**
  - All: 32%
  - Male: 27%
  - Female: 28%

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Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Older generations are less likely to say they are likely to move into an active adult community

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Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults making more than $150K are more likely to say they will live in a continuing care community

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Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
More than seven in ten adults would choose to live on their own in their own residence rather than living with a family member or friend.

Q9: If you had a choice, [in your future years as an older adult] what type of living arrangement would you most prefer to live in?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults of all ages prefer to stay in their own residence with a family member or friend

Q9: If you had a choice, [in your future years as an older adult] what type of living arrangement would you most prefer to live in?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Hispanic adults are more likely to prefer to live on their own in their residence

Q9: If you had a choice, [in your future years as an older adult] what type of living arrangement would you most prefer to live in?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBTQ and non-LGBTQ adults both prefer staying in their own residence with a family member or friend

Q9: If you had a choice, [in your future years as an older adult] what type of living arrangement would you most prefer to live in?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Males and females have similar in living arrangement preferences as they get older

Q9: If you had a choice, [in your future years as an older adult] what type of living arrangement would you most prefer to live in?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Gen Z is more likely to want to live on their own in their residence than other generations who prefer living with a friend or family in their residence.

Q9: If you had a choice, [in your future years as an older adult] what type of living arrangement would you most prefer to live in?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

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Stay in own residence and live on own
- All: 70%
- Gen Z: 69%
- Gen Y: 74%
- Gen X: 76%
- Boomers: 63%
- Silent: 52%

Stay in own residence with a family member or friend
- All: 24%
- Gen Z: 38%
- Gen Y: 26%
- Gen X: 22%
- Boomers: 18%
- Silent: 33%

Move in with a family member or friend
- All: 5%
- Gen Z: 10%
- Gen Y: 6%
- Gen X: 3%
- Boomers: 5%
- Silent: 4%
Lower income adults are more likely to prefer to live on their own in their residence rather than with a friend or family member.

Q9: If you had a choice, [in your future years as an older adult] what type of living arrangement would you most prefer to live in?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
About five in ten adults want to live in a small town or rural area, while three in ten want to live in a suburban area and two in ten want to live in an urban area.

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Q10: [Thinking about your future years as an older adult,] What type of location would you most prefer to live in?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults age 50 and older are more likely to live in small towns

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Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBTQ adults are more likely to prefer urban areas, and less preferential to suburban areas that are mostly residential

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Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Women are more likely to live in small towns and men are more likely to live in rural areas

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Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
There are not large generational differences for preferred future type of location

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Q10: [Thinking about your future years as an older adult,] What type of location would you most prefer to live in?
Wealthier adults prefer urban or suburban areas, while lower income adults prefer rural areas

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Q10: [Thinking about your future years as an older adult,] What type of location would you most prefer to live in?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Half of adults say a home that would help them live independently would be a major factor if they were to consider moving out of their current residence.

| Wanting a home that will help you live independently as you age | Major factor: 49% | Minor factor: 32% | Not a factor: 18% |
| The cost of maintaining your current residence | Major factor: 44% | Minor factor: 36% | Not a factor: 20% |
| Wanting a home that is easier to maintain | Major factor: 38% | Minor factor: 37% | Not a factor: 24% |
| Wanting a smaller home | Major factor: 23% | Minor factor: 38% | Not a factor: 39% |
| Wanting a larger home | Major factor: 18% | Minor factor: 28% | Not a factor: 53% |

Q11: If you were to consider moving out of your current residence, how much of a factor would the following be in your decision to move?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus.
A safer area, lower cost of living, affordable housing, and being closer to family are the top factors to consider moving out of their community.

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Q12: If you were to consider moving out of your current community, how much of a factor would the following be in your decision to move?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Over six in ten adults are homeowners living in single family homes

Q20: Which of the following types of homes best describes where you currently live?

- A single family house: 67%
- An apartment or condominium: 16%
- A mobile home: 7%
- A two family house or a lot that has two separate living units: 4%
- A townhouse or row house: 5%
- Senior housing or assisted living facility: 1%

Q21: Do you own or rent your residence?

- Own: 64%
- Rent: 29%
- Live with Family/Others: 7%

Source: 2021 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 homeowners than adults ages 18-49

Q21: Do you own or rent your residence?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Hispanic and Black adults are less likely than whites to be homeowners and more likely to be living with family or others.

Q21: Do you own or rent your residence?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBTQ adults are more likely to rent or live with family or others, and less likely to own than non-LGBTQ adults

Q21: Do you own or rent your residence?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Men and women have similar levels of owning, renting, and living with family/others

Q21: Do you own or rent your residence?

Source: 2021 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.

Q21: Do you own or rent your residence?

Source: 2021 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.

Q21: Do you own or rent your residence?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Among those who own their residence, six in ten have a mortgage; less than two in five have paid off their home.

- 61% Have a mortgage
- 39% Have no mortgage

Q22: [Among those who own their residence] Do you currently have a mortgage on your residence or is your residence fully paid for?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Homeowners age 50 and older and 65 and older are more likely to have fully paid off their home than homeowners ages 18-49

Q12 [Among those who own their residence] Do you currently have a mortgage on your residence or is your residence fully paid for?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Hispanic and Black adults are less likely to have a mortgage

Q22: [Among those who own their residence] Do you currently have a mortgage on your residence or is your residence fully paid for?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBTQ adults are more likely to still have a mortgage to pay off than non-LGBTQ adults

Q22: [Among those who own their residence] Do you currently have a mortgage on your residence or is your residence fully paid for?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Men and women homeowners have similar levels of having their mortgage paid off

Q22 [Among those who own their residence] Do you currently have a mortgage on your residence or is your residence fully paid for?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Older generations who own their residences are more likely to have their home fully paid off, while younger generations are more likely to have a mortgage.

Q22: [Among those who own their residence] Do you currently have a mortgage on your residence or is your residence fully paid for?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

*Gen Z has very small base N size, ineligible for significance testing or analysis
Although they are less likely to own a home, adults with lower income levels are more likely to have their mortgage fully paid off.

Q22: [Among those who own their residence] Do you currently have a mortgage on your residence or is your residence fully paid for?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus.
Most homes have a bedroom and/or bathroom on the main level and easy outdoor access

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Q19 Thinking about your current residence, does it have…?

Q23: 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?

34% of adults say they need to make major repairs, home modifications, or changes as themselves or family members age.
Among those who expect to make changes to their home as they age, more than seven in ten think they will need to modify bathrooms and/or home access.

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Q24: Do you think you will need to make the following types of modifications or improvements to your residence 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: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Few currently have accessory dwelling units; however, nearly 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.

Q26: Do you currently have an ADU on your property?
Q27: [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: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults ages 18-49 are more likely to consider living in an ADU for economic reasons than adults aged 65 and older.

Q30: Would you consider living in an ADU...

- To live close by someone but still live in your own separate place
- If you needed help with everyday activities such as household chores or transportation to places like the grocery store or doctor’s office
- To lower your housing costs

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Considerations for living in an ADU are similar across race/ethnicity

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Q30: Would you consider living in an ADU...

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBTQ adults are more likely to say they would consider living in an ADU to lower their housing costs

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**Q30: Would you consider living in an ADU…**

To live close by someone but still live in your own separate place

- All: 64%
- Non-LGBTQ: 61%
- LGBTQ: 68%

If you needed help with everyday activities such as household chores or transportation to places like the grocery store or doctor’s office

- All: 61%
- Non-LGBTQ: 61%
- LGBTQ: 67%

To lower your housing costs

- All: 52%
- Non-LGBTQ: 51%
- LGBTQ: 65%

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Men and women have similar considerations for living in an ADU

Q30: Would you consider living in an ADU…

To live close by someone but still live in your own separate place
- 64% (All)
- 56% (Male)
- 71% (Female)

If you needed help with everyday activities such as household chores or transportation to places like the grocery store or doctor’s office
- 62% (All)
- 55% (Male)
- 67% (Female)

To lower your housing costs
- 52% (All)
- 46% (Male)
- 57% (Female)

Source: 2021 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, Baby Boomers, and Silent Generation are more likely to live in an ADU if they needed help with daily activities.

Q30: Would you consider living in an ADU...

- To live close by someone but still live in your own separate place
- If you needed help with everyday activities such as household chores or transportation to places like the grocery store or doctor’s office
- To lower your housing costs

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Those with incomes of $100,000+ are more likely to consider living in an ADU if they needed help or to live close by but in their own separate place

Q30: Would you consider living in an ADU...

Source: 2021 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

Q28: For each of the following reasons, choose whether it is a major reason, a minor reason, or not a reason for building an ADU on your property or purchasing a property with an ADU.

- To provide affordable housing in your community: 20% major reason, 27% minor reason, 53% not a reason
- To earn extra income from rent: 31% major reason, 32% minor reason, 36% not a reason
- To increase the value of your home: 32% major reason, 37% minor reason, 30% not a reason
- To have a place for a caregiver to stay: 35% major reason, 39% minor reason, 25% not a reason
- To have someone living close by and feel more secure: 40% major reason, 27% minor reason, 32% not a reason
- To have a place for guests to stay: 47% major reason, 35% minor reason, 18% not a reason
- To have a home for family members or friends: 54% major reason, 32% minor reason, 14% not a reason
- To provide a place for a loved one to stay who needs care: 62% major reason, 24% minor reason, 13% not a reason

Source: 2021 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

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Q29: For each of the following reasons, choose whether it is a major reason, a minor reason, or not a reason for not building an ADU on your property or purchasing a property with an ADU.

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
More than half already share or would consider sharing their homes with family or friends as they age

Q31: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with …?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults of all ages would prefer living with a family member or friend, while few would live with a stranger

Q31: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with …?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
White adults are more willing than Hispanic and Black adults to consider sharing their home with family members or friends

Q31: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with …?

A family member or members, not including spouse
- All: 69%
- White, non-Hispanic: 72%
- Black, non-Hispanic: 63%
- Hispanic: 64%
- Asian American, non-Hispanic: 68%

A friend
- All: 49%
- White, non-Hispanic: 54%
- Black, non-Hispanic: 49%
- Hispanic: 49%
- Asian American, non-Hispanic: 52%

A stranger
- All: 4%
- White, non-Hispanic: 6%
- Black, non-Hispanic: 8%
- Hispanic: 8%
- Asian American, non-Hispanic: 8%

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBTQ adults are more likely than non-LGBTQ adults to consider living with a friend or a stranger

Q31: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with …?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Women are more likely than men to consider sharing a home with family members and friends

Q31: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with …?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults of all generations would prefer living with a family member or friend, while few would live with a stranger.

Q31: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with …?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults making more than $55K are more likely to consider sharing their home with family member or members, not including spouse

Q31: As you grow older would you consider sharing your home with …?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Among those uninterested or less certain about home sharing, fewer than a third would reconsider it for any reason given

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Q32: [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: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
COMMUNITY FEATURES AND SERVICES
Community Features and Services Highlights

- The most important community features across all seven areas covered in the survey are access to clean safe water for all residents, well-maintained streets, easy to read traffic signs, conveniently located grocery stores with healthy food, convenient high-quality health care services, and safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime.
- The most important community features specifically within housing include having trustworthy, affordable, high-quality home contractors, housing that is located near key services, and affordable housing options.
- When it comes to streets and sidewalks, the most important community features are well-maintained streets, easy to read traffic signs, and safe, accessible and streets for all users.
- Well-maintained and safe parks, conveniently located grocery stores, and convenient, high-quality health care services are key community features identified as most important with regards to outdoor spaces and buildings.
- Having public transportation that is safe, timely and well-maintained are the most valued aspects in this area.
- When considering social activities affordable activities including fitness, a variety of restaurants and shops, and activities to support military families are important.
- As residents think about volunteer and civic engagement activities having opportunities for residents to participate on community decision-making bodies and discuss important issues that impact their community are most important.
- All 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 for as long as they want.
- A new area that residents value as part of community life relates to environmental and equity issues. Adults most value having access to clean safe water, reliable Internet service, equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnic background, sexual orientation, or other differences, and protections for all residents in times of natural disasters.

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top Important Community Features

(%) Extremely/Very Important

- **Environment**: Access to clean safe water (82%)
- **Streets & Sidewalks**: Well-maintained streets (80%)
- **Streets & Sidewalks**: Easy to read traffic signs (75%)
- **Outdoor Spaces & Buildings**: Conveniently located grocery stores with healthy food (75%)
- **Outdoor Spaces & Buildings**: Convenient, high-quality health services (73%)
- **Outdoor Spaces & Buildings**: Safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime (73%)

Q14, 15, 16, 17, 25, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Q14, 15, 16, 17, 25, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
At least seven in ten adults say well-maintained, safe and accessible streets, and easy to read traffic signs are extremely or very important community features.

**Q17: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?**

- **Well-maintained streets**: 80% Extremely/Very important, 16% Somewhat important, 3% Not very/Not at all important.
- **Easy to read traffic signs**: 76% Extremely/Very important, 19% Somewhat important, 6% Not very/Not at all important.
- **Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users**: 70% Extremely/Very important, 21% Somewhat important, 9% Not very/Not at all important.
- **Safe speed limits that are properly enforced**: 69% Extremely/Very important, 23% Somewhat important, 7% Not very/Not at all important.
- **Sidewalks that are in good condition, safe for pedestrians, and accessible for wheelchairs or other assistive mobility devices**: 64% Extremely/Very important, 23% Somewhat important, 12% Not very/Not at all important.
- **Pedestrian crossings that are clearly marked and have both audio and visual signals**: 58% Extremely/Very important, 25% Somewhat important, 16% Not very/Not at all important.
- **Streets with dedicated and clearly marked bike lanes**: 42% Extremely/Very important, 28% Somewhat important, 30% Not very/Not at all important.

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

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus.
Adults of all ages found well-maintained streets and easy to read traffic signs to be the most important street features.

**Top 3 Features among 18-49**
- Well-maintained streets
- Easy to read traffic signs
- Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users

**Top 3 Features among 50+**
- Well-maintained streets
- Easy to read traffic signs
- Safe speed limits that are properly enforced

**Top 3 Features among 65+**
- Well-maintained streets
- Safe speed limits that are properly enforced

Q17: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top three important features around street and sidewalk are similar across race/ethnicity; Hispanic adults included safe speed limits

Top 3 among White, non-Hispanic
- Well-maintained streets
- Easy to read traffic signs
- Safe speed limits that are properly enforced

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

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

Top 3 among Asian American, non-Hispanic
- Streets and intersections that are well-lit, accessible and safe for all users
- Easy to read traffic signs
- Well-maintained streets

Q17: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top three important features around sidewalk and street are similar for LGBTQ and non-LGBTQ adults

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Q17: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top three important features around sidewalk and street are similar across men and women

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

**Top 3 among Women**
- Well-maintained streets
- Easy to read traffic signs
- Safe speed limits that are properly enforced

Q17: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Generations give similar importance to top street and sidewalk features

Q17: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Regardless of income levels, Top street and sidewalk are top three important features

Q17: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults rate well-maintained and convenient health care facilities, well-maintained parks, and convenient grocery stores as their most important public spaces and buildings community features.

Q14: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

- Well-maintained parks that accommodate all residents: Extremely/Very important - 77%, Somewhat important - 20%, Not very/Not at all important - 4%
- Conveniently located grocery stores with affordable, healthy food: Extremely/Very important - 75%, Somewhat important - 20%, Not very/Not at all important - 4%
- Conveniently, high-quality health care services: Extremely/Very important - 73%, Somewhat important - 20%, Not very/Not at all important - 6%
- Safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime: Extremely/Very important - 73%, Somewhat important - 19%, Not very/Not at all important - 8%
- Access to safe trails and paths to walk, run, and bike: Extremely/Very important - 62%, Somewhat important - 24%, Not very/Not at all important - 14%
- Public buildings and spaces accessible to people of different physical abilities: Extremely/Very important - 57%, Somewhat important - 26%, Not very/Not at all important - 16%
- Convenient, affordable public parking that includes parking for people with disabilities: Extremely/Very important - 54%, Somewhat important - 30%, Not very/Not at all important - 16%
- Walkable main street downtown area made up of local businesses: Extremely/Very important - 49%, Somewhat important - 33%, Not very/Not at all important - 18%
- Ample seating in public areas: Extremely/Very important - 47%, Somewhat important - 34%, Not very/Not at all important - 19%
- Farmer’s markets: Extremely/Very important - 46%, Somewhat important - 35%, Not very/Not at all important - 19%

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults of all ages rate grocery stores, health care services, and parks as the top features

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Q14: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 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, grocery stores, parks

**Top 3 Features among White, non-Hispanic**

Conveniently located grocery stores

Convenient, high-quality health care services

Safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime

**Top 3 Features among Black, non-Hispanic**

Conveniently located grocery stores

Safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime

Convenient, high-quality health care services

**Top 3 Features among Hispanic**

Conveniently located grocery stores

Safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime

Convenient, high-quality health care services

**Top 3 Features among Asian American, non-Hispanic**

Convenient, high-quality health care services

Safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime

Conveniently located grocery stores

Q14: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBTQ adults are similar to non-LGBTQ in top outdoor spaces and buildings

Q14: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Men and women are similar in their three top features, with both ranking conveniently located grocery stores as their top feature.

**Top 3 Features among Men**
- Conveniently located grocery stores
- Convenient, high-quality health care services
- Safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime

**Top 3 Features among Women**
- Conveniently located grocery stores
- Safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime
- Convenient, high-quality health care services

Q14: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 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

Q14: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
All income levels include top features focused on health care services, grocery store locations, and safe parks

Q14: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

**Top 3 Features among <$25K**
- Conveniently located grocery stores
- Safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime
- Convenient, high-quality health care services

**Top 3 Features among $25-55K**
- Conveniently located grocery stores
- Safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime
- Convenient, high-quality health care services

**Top 3 Features among $55-100K**
- Conveniently located grocery stores
- Safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime
- Convenient, high-quality health care services

**Top 3 Features among $100-150K+**
- Conveniently located grocery stores
- Safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime
- Convenient, high-quality health care services

**Top 3 Features among $150K+**
- Conveniently located grocery stores
- Safe parks that are well-lit and free of crime
- Convenient, high-quality health care services

Source: 2021 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

- Extremely/Very important
- Somewhat important
- Not very/Not at all important

- Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work: 67% Extremely/Very important, 23% Somewhat important, 9% Not very/Not at all important
- Housing that is located near activities and key services, such as grocery stores and health care facilities: 59% Extremely/Very important, 30% Somewhat important, 10% Not very/Not at all important
- Affordable housing options for people at all income levels: 59% Extremely/Very important, 26% Somewhat important, 15% Not very/Not at all important
- Services to help with home repair and yard maintenance for low-income and older adults: 54% Extremely/Very important, 30% Somewhat important, 16% Not very/Not at all important
- A variety of housing types to fit people’s needs as they age: 50% Extremely/Very important, 31% Somewhat important, 19% Not very/Not at all important
- Accessible homes with features like a no-step entry, wide doorways, and first-floor bedrooms and bathrooms: 44% Extremely/Very important, 32% Somewhat important, 23% Not very/Not at all important

Q25: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults ages 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.

**Top 3 Features among 18-49**
- Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work
- Housing located near activities and key services
- Affordable housing options for people at all income levels

**Top 3 Features among 50+**
- Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work
- Housing located near activities and key services
- Services to help with home repair and yard maintenance for low-income and older adults

**Top 3 Features among 65+**
- Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work
- Housing located near activities and key services
- Affordable housing options for people at all income levels

Q25: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top housing features are similar across race/ethnicity with affordable housing top priority for Black and Hispanic adults

Top 3 Features among White, non-Hispanic
- Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work
- Housing located near activities and key services
- Affordable housing options for people at all income levels

Top 3 Features among Black, non-Hispanic
- Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work
- Housing located near activities and key services
- Affordable housing options for people at all income levels

Top 3 Features among Hispanic
- Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work
- Housing located near activities and key services
- Affordable housing options for people at all income levels

Top 3 Features among Asian American, non-Hispanic
- Housing located near activities and key services
- Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work
- Services to help with home repair and yard maintenance for low-income and older adults

Q25: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBTQ and non-LGBTQ adults list the same community housing features

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Q25: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Men and women are the same in top three housing features

Top 3 Features among Men

- Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work
- Housing located near activities and key services
- Affordable housing options for people at all income levels

Top 3 Features among Women

- Home modification and repair contractors who are trustworthy, affordable and do high-quality work
- Affordable housing options for people at all income levels
- Housing located near activities and key services

Q25: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 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

Q25: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top housing features are similar across income levels

Q25: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
More than half of adults say affordable activities and a variety of restaurants and shops are extremely or very important to have in their community.

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<td>Activities to support military members, veterans, and their families</td>
<td>49%</td>
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<td>Venues to meet and socialize with friends and neighbors</td>
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Q33: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

*Percentages for “Don’t know/No response” not shown.
Adults across all ages list similar social activities; adults age 50 and older and 65 and older also list activities for military families as important to have.

Top 3 Features among 18-49
- Activities that are affordable for all residents
- A variety of restaurants and retail shops
- Conveniently located entertainment venues

Top 3 Features among 50+
- A variety of restaurants and retail shops
- Activities that are affordable for all residents
- Activities to support military members, veterans, and their families

Top 3 Features among 65+
- A variety of restaurants and retail shops
- Activities that are affordable for all residents
- Activities geared towards older adults

Q33: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top social participation features are similar across race/ethnicity with affordability of activities and a variety of restaurants and shops being a priority.

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Q33: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBTQ adults include a variety of cultural activities in top social participation features; non-LGBTQ include fitness activities.

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Q33: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Both men and women report affordable activities and a variety of restaurants and shops as top priorities

**Top 3 Features among Men**
- A variety of restaurants and retail shops
- Activities that are affordable for all residents
- Affordable fitness activities

**Top 3 Features among Women**
- Activities that are affordable for all residents
- A variety of restaurants and retail shops
- Affordable fitness activities

Q33: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Generations are similar across top social participation features with priorities being affordable activities for most

**Top 3 Features among Gen Z**
- Conveniently located entertainment venues
- Venues to meet and socialize with friends and neighbors or for pursuing new hobbies or interests
- A variety of restaurants and retail shops

**Top 3 Features among Gen Y**
- Activities that are affordable for all residents
- A variety of restaurants and retail shops
- Venues to meet and socialize with friends and neighbors or for pursuing new hobbies or interests

**Top 3 Features among Gen X**
- A variety of restaurants and retail shops
- Activities that are affordable for all residents
- Venues to meet and socialize with friends and neighbors or for pursuing new hobbies or interests

**Top 3 Features among Baby Boomers**
- A variety of restaurants and retail shops
- Activities that are affordable for all residents
- Activities that offer senior discounts

**Top 3 Features among Silent**
- Affordable fitness activities
- Activities that are affordable for all residents
- Activities to support military members, veterans, and their families

Q33: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Social participation top features are similar across income levels with a primary focus on affordable activities

Top 3 Features among <$25K
- Activities that are affordable for all residents
- Activities to support military members, veterans, and their families
- A variety of restaurants and retail shops

Top 3 Features among $25-55K
- Activities that are affordable for all residents
- Activities to support military members, veterans, and their families
- A variety of restaurants and retail shops

Top 3 Features among $55-100K
- A variety of restaurants and retail shops
- Activities that are affordable for all residents
- Affordable fitness activities

Top 3 Features among $100-150K+
- A variety of restaurants and retail shops
- Activities that are affordable for all residents
- Affordable fitness activities

Top 3 Features among $150K+
- A variety of restaurants and retail shops
- Activities that are affordable for all residents
- Affordable fitness activities

Q33: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
A third of adult's report lacking companionship, feeling left out, and feeling isolated from others; however, 86% percent of adults have friends or family they could call on in a time of trouble.

86% of adults have either family or friends they could call on day or night if they were in trouble.

Q53: How often do you feel the following?

Q54: If you were in trouble, do you have friends or family who can help you at any time of the day or night?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults ages 18-49 are more likely to say they feel left out or isolated or lack companionship. This age cohort is also less likely to feel they have someone to turn to when in need.
Black and Asian American adults are most likely to feel a lack of companionship, and less likely to have someone to call if in trouble.

(Respondents who say “often/sometimes”)

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Q53: How often do you feel the following?
Q54: If you were in trouble, do you have friends or family who can help you at any time of the day or night?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBTQ adults are more likely than non-LGBTQ adults to say they lack companionship and feel left out and isolated from others.

36% 36% 34% 35% 33% 47% 49%

I feel isolated from others I lack companionship I feel left out

(Respondents who say “often/sometimes”)

LGBTQ and non-LGBTQ are similar in whether or not they have someone to call if they were in trouble.

Q53: How often do you feel the following?
Q54: If you were in trouble, do you have friends or family who can help you at any time of the day or night?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Women are more likely than men to say they lack companionship, feel left out, and feel isolated from others; both genders indicate high rates of having someone to call if they were in trouble.

(Q53: How often do you feel the following?
Q54: If you were in trouble, do you have friends or family who can help you at any time of the day or night?)

Source: 2021 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.

Q53: How often do you feel the following?
Q54: If you were in trouble, do you have friends or family who can help you at any time of the day or night?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults with incomes of less than $25K are more likely to report lacking companionship and feeling isolated from others.

Adults reporting higher incomes (> $25,000) are more likely to say they have someone they could turn to if they were in trouble than adults reporting incomes of <$25,000.

Q53: How often do you feel the following?
Q54: If you were in trouble, do you have friends or family who can help you at any time of the day or night?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
About half say it is extremely or very important to have employment features for older adults and those with disabilities in their community

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Q36: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults of all ages found a range of flexible job opportunities for older adults and jobs adapted to the needs of people with disabilities among their top features

**Top 3 Features among 18-49**
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults
- Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or receive training in a different field of work
- Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age

**Top 3 Features among 50+**
- Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of 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 among 65+**
- Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age
- Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

Q36: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults are a top priority across race/ethnicity

Top 3 Features among White, non-Hispanic

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

Top 3 Features among Black, non-Hispanic

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

Top 3 Features among Hispanic

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

Top 3 Features among Asian American, non-Hispanic

- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults
- Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or receive training in a different field of work
- Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age

Q36: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBTQ adults report similar top employment Features among the community

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Q36: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Men and women are similar in top employment features; men prioritize job training opportunities for older adults and women prioritize jobs adapted to the needs of people with disabilities.

**Top 3 Features among Men**
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults
- Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age
- Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or receive training in a different field of work

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

**Q36: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?**

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Generations are similar in top employment features; with all including policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work among their top features

**Q36: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?**

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
All levels of income report job training and a range of job opportunities for older adults as their top features

**Top 3 Features among <$25K**
- 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 receive training in a different field of work
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults

**Top 3 Features among $25-55K**
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults
- Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age
- Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or receive training in a different field of work

**Top 3 Features among $55-100K**
- Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults
- Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or receive training in a different field of work

**Top 3 Features among $100-150K**
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults
- Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age
- Job training opportunities for older adults who want to learn new job skills or receive training in a different field of work

**Top 3 Features among $150K+**
- A range of flexible job opportunities for older adults
- Policies that ensure equal opportunities for older adults to work for as long as they want or need to regardless of age
- Jobs that are adapted to meet the needs of people with disabilities

Q36: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Most adults drive to get around their community

Q13: How do you usually get around your community for activities including shopping, visiting the doctor, running errands, or other things?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus

Drive themselves: 87%
Walk: 41%
Have others drive you: 25%
Ride a bike: 17%
Use public transportation: 12%
Use a ride-share such as Uber or Lyft: 11%
Take a taxi: 4%
Special transportation service, such as one for seniors or persons with disabilities: 4%
Sharing service, such as scooters or bikeshare that includes e-bikes: 3%
**Q13: How do you usually get around your community for activities including shopping, visiting the doctor, running errands, or other things?**

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<td>85%</td>
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<td>Walk</td>
<td>41%</td>
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<td>Have others drive them</td>
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<td>Bike</td>
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Source: 2021 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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Q13: How do you usually get around your community for activities including shopping, visiting the doctor, running errands, or other things?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Many place high importance on public transportation safety, timeliness, and maintenance.

Q15 & Q16: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

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<td>Well-maintained public transportation vehicles</td>
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<td>Public transportation that goes where I need to go</td>
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<td>Electric scooters or bikeshare</td>
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Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
All adults report safe public transportation among the top features

- **Top 3 Features among 18-49**
  - Public transportation that is safe
  - Public transportation that is timely
  - Well-maintained public transportation vehicles that are clean and well-ventilated

- **Top 3 Features among 50+**
  - Public transportation that is safe
  - Well-maintained public transportation vehicles that are clean and well-ventilated
  - Public transportation that goes where I need to go

- **Top 3 Features among 65+**
  - Public transportation that is safe
  - Public transportation that goes where I need to go
  - Well-maintained public transportation vehicles that are clean and well-ventilated

Q15 & Q16: How important it is to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
### Top 3 Features among White, non-Hispanic
- Public transportation that is safe
- Public transportation that is timely
- Well-maintained public transportation vehicles that are clean and well-ventilated

### Top 3 Features among Black, non-Hispanic
- Public transportation that is safe
- Public transportation that is timely
- Public transportation stops that are accessible to people of varying physical abilities and provide proper lighting and shelter

### Top 3 Features among Hispanic
- Public transportation that is safe
- Public transportation that is timely
- Well-maintained public transportation vehicles that are clean and well-ventilated

### Top 3 Features among Asian American, non-Hispanic
- Public transportation that is safe
- Public transportation that is timely
- Public transportation that goes where I need to go

Q15 & Q16: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBTQ adults prioritize affordable public transportation, while non-LGBTQ adults place priority on well-maintained public transportation.

**Top 3 Features among Non-LGBTQ**
- Public transportation that is safe
- Public transportation that is timely
- Well-maintained public transportation vehicles that are clean and well-ventilated

**Top 3 Features among LGBTQ**
- Public transportation that is safe
- Public transportation that is affordable
- Public transportation that is timely

Q15 & Q16: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Men and women are similar in top transportation features

**Top 3 Features among Men**
- Public transportation that is safe
- Public transportation that is timely
- Well-maintained public transportation vehicles that are clean and well-ventilated

**Top 3 Features among Women**
- Public transportation that is safe
- Well-maintained public transportation vehicles that are clean and well-ventilated
- Public transportation that is timely

Q15 & Q16: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
The Silent generation included transportation that takes them where they need to go among their priorities.

**Top 3 Features among Gen Z**
- Public transportation that is safe
- Public transportation that is timely
- Well-maintained public transportation vehicles that are clean and well-ventilated

**Top 3 Features among Gen Y**
- Public transportation that is safe
- Public transportation that is timely
- Well-maintained public transportation vehicles that are clean and well-ventilated

**Top 3 Features among Gen X**
- Public transportation that is safe
- Well-maintained public transportation vehicles that are clean and well-ventilated
- Public transportation stops that are accessible to people of varying physical abilities and provide proper lighting and shelter

**Top 3 Features among Baby Boomers**
- Public transportation that is safe
- Public transportation stops that are accessible to people of varying physical abilities and provide proper lighting and shelter
- Well-maintained public transportation vehicles that are clean and well-ventilated

**Top 3 Features among Silent**
- Public transportation that goes where I need to go
- Public transportation that is safe
- Public transportation stops that are accessible to people of varying physical abilities and provide proper lighting and shelter

Q15 & Q16: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Transportation top features are similar across income levels with focus on safe, well-maintained, and timely transportation

**Top 3 Features among <$25K**
- Public transportation that is safe
- Public transportation that is timely
- Public transportation stops that are accessible to people of varying physical abilities and provide proper lighting and shelter

**Top 3 Features among $25-55K**
- Public transportation that is safe
- Well-maintained public transportation vehicles that are clean and well-ventilated
- Public transportation that is timely

**Top 3 Features among $55-100K**
- Public transportation that is safe
- Well-maintained public transportation vehicles that are clean and well-ventilated
- Public transportation that is timely

**Top 3 Features among $100-150K+**
- Public transportation that is safe
- Well-maintained public transportation vehicles that are clean and well-ventilated
- Public transportation that goes where I need to go

**Top 3 Features among $150K+**
- Public transportation that is safe
- Well-maintained public transportation vehicles that are clean and well-ventilated
- Public transportation that is timely

Q15 & Q16: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Opportunities to influence community decisions and discuss community issues is extremely or very important to half of adults.

- Opportunities for residents of all ages and backgrounds to participate in community decision-making bodies: 50% Extremely/Very important, 33% Somewhat important, 17% Not very/Not at all important.
- Opportunities for residents of all ages and backgrounds to discuss important community civic issues: 49% Extremely/Very important, 34% Somewhat important, 17% Not very/Not at all important.
- Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it: 40% Extremely/Very important, 33% Somewhat important, 27% Not very/Not at all important.
- A range of meaningful volunteer activities to choose from: 38% Extremely/Very important, 39% Somewhat important, 23% Not very/Not at all important.
- Easy-to-find information on local volunteer opportunities: 38% Extremely/Very important, 38% Somewhat important, 23% Not very/Not at all important.
- Volunteer training opportunities that help people perform better in their volunteer roles: 37% Extremely/Very important, 36% Somewhat important, 26% Not very/Not at all important.

Q34 & Q35: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus.
Top features for volunteering are similar across ages, with transportation to volunteer activities first priority for older adults.

**Top 3 Features among 18-49**
- Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues
- Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies
- Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities

**Top 3 Features among 50+**
- Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies
- Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues
- Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it

**Top 3 Features among 65+**
- Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies
- Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it
- Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

Q34 & Q35: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Race/ethnicity groups are similar in opinion in volunteer and civic engagement features

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Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Both non-LGBTQ and LGBTQ adults find the same volunteer and civic engagement features a top priority

Top 3 Features among Non-LGBTQ

Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies

Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it

Top 3 Features among LGBTQ

Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies

Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues

Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it

Q34 & 35: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Volunteer and civic engagement features are similar across gender with men placing more importance on transportation and women on information.

**Top 3 Features among Men**
- Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies
- Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues
- Transportation to and from volunteer activities for those who need it

**Top 3 Features among Women**
- Opportunities for all residents to participate in community decision-making bodies
- Opportunities for all residents to gather and discuss important community civic issues
- Easy to find information on local volunteer opportunities

Q34 & Q35: How important is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

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Generations are similar in volunteer and civic top features

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Top volunteer and civic features are similar across income levels; lower incomes report transportation to volunteer activities

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Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Clean safe water, reliable affordable Internet, and equal treatment of all residents top the list of environment and equity community features

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<td>Access to clean safe water for all residents</td>
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<td>Access to reliable and affordable in-home high-speed Internet</td>
<td>73%</td>
<td>20%</td>
<td>7%</td>
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<td>Equal treatment of all residents</td>
<td>71%</td>
<td>26%</td>
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<td>Community actions to protect residents in natural disasters</td>
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<td>Low-risk of natural disasters and extreme weather</td>
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<td>Community actions to reduce inequalities among residents</td>
<td>56%</td>
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<td>16%</td>
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<td>Community actions to become more age-friendly</td>
<td>53%</td>
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<td>Community actions to improve air quality</td>
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Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Top features for environment and equity are similar across ages, with protection in natural disasters a priority for older adults

**Top 3 Features among 18-49**
- Access to clean safe water
- Access to reliable and affordable in-home Internet
- Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences

**Top 3 Features among 50+**
- Access to clean safe water
- Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences
- Community-wide actions to protect residents in natural disasters

**Top 3 Features among 65+**
- Access to clean safe water
- Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences
- Community-wide actions to protect residents in natural disasters

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Race/ethnicity groups are similar in opinion in environment and equity features

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Both non-LGBTQ and LGBTQ adults find the same environment and equity features a top priority

Top 3 Features among Non-LGBTQ

- Access to clean safe water
- Access to reliable and affordable in-home Internet
- Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences

Top 3 Features among LGBTQ

- Access to clean safe water
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Volunteer and civic engagement features are similar across gender with men placing more importance on transportation and women on information.

**Top 3 Features among Men**
- Access to clean safe water
- Access to reliable and affordable in-home Internet
- Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences

**Top 3 Features among Women**
- Access to clean safe water
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- Access to reliable and affordable in-home Internet

Q37: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Generations are similar in top environment and equity features with protection in natural disasters top for older generations.

Top 3 Features among Gen Z
Access to clean safe water
Access to reliable and affordable in-home Internet
Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences

Top 3 Features among Gen Y
Access to clean safe water
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Top 3 Features among Gen X
Access to clean safe water
Access to reliable and affordable in-home Internet
Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences

Top 3 Features among Baby Boomers
Access to clean safe water
Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences
Access to reliable and affordable in-home Internet

Top 3 Features among Silent
Access to clean safe water
Equal treatment of all residents regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or other differences
Community-wide actions to protect residents in natural disasters

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Top environment and equity features are similar across income groups

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Q37: How important it is it to you personally to have the following in your community right now?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
COVID-19 Pandemic Highlights

- Half of adults are extremely or very concerned about the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on themselves and their family. This concern is even higher among adults age 50 and older.
- Throughout the pandemic, 64 percent of adults have sheltered at home and 47 percent began working remotely from home. Adults age 65 and older were more likely to have sheltered at home.
- About half went out less often by stocking up on supplies (56%) and shopping online (48%).
- Sixty-four percent of adults have used video chat such as Zoom, Skype, or Facetime to connect with family and friends and 51 percent have participated in virtual doctor visits.
- At least two-thirds of adults would feel more comfortable going out in their communities if there were frequent sanitizing of areas (75%), seating areas were more spaced apart (70%), and wearing facemasks was enforced (65%). Adults age 50 and older would take even more comfort from these measures.

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Nearly half of adults were concerned the Coronavirus would impact themselves or their family in the past year.

Q38: How concerned were you about the Coronavirus impacting you or your family during the past year?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Older adults tended to be more concerned the Coronavirus would impact themselves or their family

Q38: How concerned were you about the Coronavirus impacting you or your family during the past year?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Asian-American adults were most concerned the Coronavirus would impact themselves or their family during the past year.

Q38: How concerned were you about the Coronavirus impacting you or your family during the past year?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBTQ adults were more concerned about the impact of the Coronavirus than non-LGBTQ adults

Q38: How concerned were you about the Coronavirus impacting you or your family during the past year?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Women were more concerned than men that the Coronavirus would impact themselves or their family.

Q38: How concerned were you about the Coronavirus impacting you or your family during the past year?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Gen Z and Gen Y were less concerned than Boomers and the Silent generation about the impacts of the Coronavirus

Q38: How concerned were you about the Coronavirus impacting you or your family during the past year?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Concern that the Coronavirus would impact themselves or their family is similar across all income levels

Q38: How concerned were you about the Coronavirus impacting you or your family during the past year?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Adults stayed home and stocked up on food and supplies because of the Coronavirus

- Sheltered at home to avoid contact with others: 64%
- Stocked up on items such as food, household supplies, or prescription medications: 56%
- Ordered groceries, medications or household supplies online: 48%
- Started to work remotely from home: 47%
- Gone outside my home less often for exercise: 40%
- Gone outside my home more often for exercise: 31%
- Homeschooled or supervised virtual instruction for my children or grandchildren: 31%
- Asked someone to get groceries, medications or household supplies for me: 22%
- Stopped using house-cleaning or home maintenance and repair services: 20%
- Stopped volunteering in my community: 19%
- Took on a loan or additional debt to pay for expenses, such as mortgage or rent, utilities, groceries: 12%
- Stopped using home-health care services: 10%
- Started volunteering in my community: 8%
- Moved to a new location: 8%
## Adults age 65+ are more likely to shelter in place during the pandemic

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<td>Stocked up on items such as food, household supplies, or prescription medications</td>
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<td>Ordered groceries, medications or household supplies online</td>
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<td>Started to work remotely from home</td>
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<td>Moved to a new location</td>
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Q39: Have you or anyone in your household done any of the following due to the Coronavirus?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Asian-American Adults started working from home more so than others

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<td>Sheltered at home to avoid contact with others</td>
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LGBTQ adults were more likely to stay home preferring to order items online, work remotely, and exercise outside less often.

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The Silent generation is more likely to shelter at home than younger generations

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Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Walking and driving were the most common modes of transportation since the Coronavirus outbreak

- Walked: 46%
- Driven myself more than before the pandemic began: 25%
- Used a bicycle: 17%
- Asked someone else to drive me around: 15%
- Continued using transportation services, such as buses, trains, taxis, Uber, special services for older adults or people with disabilities: 15%

Q40: Have you or anyone in your household done any of the following to get where you need to go since the Coronavirus outbreak?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
18-49 year old adults are the most likely to report walking

Q40: Have you or anyone in your household done any of the following to get where you need to go since the Coronavirus outbreak?

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Asian-American adults more likely to walk to get where they needed to go since the Coronavirus outbreak

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Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
More LGBTQ adults report walking and having someone else drive them than non-LGBTQ adults

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Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Men and women are similar in their modes of transportation during the pandemic

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Younger generations are more likely to walk to get where they needed to go

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Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Those making under $25K were more likely to have someone drive them or use transportation services than those with higher incomes

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Six in ten Americans utilized video chats and social media to connect with friends and family

- 64% used video chat such as Zoom, Skype, or Facetime to connect with family and friends who do not live with me.
- 60% used social media such as Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram to connect with family and friends who do not live with me.
- 51% had appointments or consultations with their doctor or other medical professionals online.
- 34% attended religious services online.
- 20% participated in meetings for boards or committees on which they serve.
- 18% engaged in social activities such as book clubs or happy hours.
- 18% took part in exercise classes.
- 17% joined community meetings.
- 15% attended college classes.
- 14% participated in adult education or personal enrichment classes.

Q41: Have you or anyone in your household participated in the following online activities due to the Coronavirus?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
All age groups were similar in their online activity during the pandemic

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Non-LGBTQ adults more likely to participate in online religious services while LGBTQ adults are more apt to have used social media to connect with people

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Older generations took advantage of online medical appointments

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Those with incomes over $55K used video chats more to connect with friends and family compared with those with incomes under $55K

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Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
The Coronavirus did not change the connection to community for about two-thirds of adults, and adults are split in their opinions on community action to foster social connections.

Q42: Since the Coronavirus outbreak, do you feel more connected to your community, less connected to your community, or do you feel the same?

Q43: Since the Coronavirus outbreak, has your community taken steps to make it easier for people to gather in public places, such as parks or recreation centers, and still be able to appropriately physically distance from one another?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Frequent sanitizing and spaced apart seating areas were measures that would make adults more comfortable in public places.

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Q44: Would the following measures make you more comfortable in public places during the COVID-19 pandemic?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Older adults take more comfort from measures to prevent the spread in public than those 18-49

Q44: Would the following measures make you more comfortable in public places during the COVID-19 pandemic?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Asian-Americans tend to be most comfortable with mask mandates and signs requiring social distancing

Q44: Would the following measures make you more comfortable in public places during the COVID-19 pandemic?

- Frequent sanitizing of areas and surfaces that people touch
- Seating areas that ensure safe distances
- Policies that require wearing face masks
- Signs that require social distancing
- The creation of larger spaces for walking, biking, or exercising

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
LGBTQ adults report being more comfortable with measures designed to prevent the spread of Covid-19 in public places

Q44: Would the following measures make you more comfortable in public places during the COVID-19 pandemic?

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Females report feeling more comfortable with measures put in place during the Covid-19 pandemic

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Measures like sanitizing, seating at safe distances and mask policies made older generations more comfortable in public places.

Q44: Would the following measures make you more comfortable in public places during the COVID-19 pandemic?

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Comfort level with all measures to mitigate the effects of COVID-19 is similar across income levels.

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Respondent Profile: Personal Characteristics

**Age**
- 18-49 Years: 53%
- 50-59 Years: 15%
- 60-74 Years: 25%
- 75+ Years: 7%

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

**AARP Membership**
- Non-members: 81%
- Members: 19%

**Marital Status**
- Married: 53%
- Living with partner: 6%
- Widowed: 4%
- Divorced: 9%
- Separated: 5%
- Never married: 22%

**Race/Ethnicity**
- White, non-Hispanic: 62%
- Black, non-Hispanic: 12%
- Hispanic: 17%
- Asian, non-Hispanic: 7%
- Other, non-Hispanic: 2%

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Respondent Profile: Lifestyle Characteristics

### Contact with Family, Friends and Neighbors

- **Everyday**: 27%
- **Several times a week**: 32%
- **Once a week**: 15%
- **Once every 2 or 3 weeks**: 9%
- **Once a month**: 5%
- **Less than monthly**: 5%
- **Never**: 5%

### Feel Left Out

- **Often**: 8%
- **Sometimes**: 26%
- **Rarely**: 28%
- **Never**: 38%

### Lack Companionship

- **Often**: 11%
- **Sometimes**: 25%
- **Rarely**: 25%
- **Never**: 40%

### Feel Isolated

- **Often**: 10%
- **Sometimes**: 26%
- **Rarely**: 25%
- **Never**: 38%

### Type of Community

- **Urban near mix of offices, apartments, and shops**: 17%
- **Urban and mostly residential**: 11%
- **Suburban with mix of offices, apartments and shops**: 19%
- **Suburban and mostly residential**: 18%
- **Small town**: 19%
- **Rural area**: 14%

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Respondent Profile: Physical Health Characteristics

Health Status
- Fair/Poor: 15%
- Good: 34%
- Excellent/Very good: 50%

Caregiver Status
- Current: 13%
- *Future: 29%
- *Extremely/Very likely to provide care in the future

Disability Status
- Neither: 76%
- Myself: 10%
- My spouse/partner: 7%
- Both myself and my...: 6%

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Respondent Profile: Socioeconomic & Voting Characteristics

**Education**
- Less than high school: 9%
- High school graduate or equivalent: 29%
- Tech or vocational school, Associate’s degree, some college: 27%
- Bachelor’s degree: 21%
- Post grad study or professional degree: 14%

**Employment Status**
- Paid Employee: 48%
- Self-Employed: 10%
- Retired: 19%
- Looking for work: 7%
- Disabled: 6%
- Temporary layoff from a job: 2%
- Other: 8%

**Income**
- $15,000 or less: 12%
- $15,001 - $25,000: 9%
- $25,001 - $35,000: 10%
- $35,001 - $45,000: 9%
- $45,001 - $55,000: 10%
- $55,001 - $65,000: 8%
- $65,001 - $100,000: 9%
- $100,001 - $150,000: 13%
- $150,000+: 8%

**Political Party**
- Democrat: 46%
- Independent: 18%
- Republican: 36%

**Voting Behavior**
- Always: 7%
- Most of the time: 20%
- About half of the time: 9%
- Seldom: 10%
- Never: 13%

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
Implications

The COVID-19 pandemic has reshaped the way people are experiencing life in their homes and communities making home life more important than ever. People are doing more from home like working and going to school remotely, and doing more online, like shopping, consulting with their doctors, and engaging in social activities. People want to stay in their homes and communities throughout their life and this has been a strong desire even before the pandemic. **People spend years making connections and commitments to homes, friendships, community organizations, and local social ties within their community and this where they want to stay.**

Although most adults want to grow old in their homes and communities, many are unsure if they can. **People need homes and communities that are affordable, safe and can support their needs.** Having options like home sharing arrangements and accessory dwelling units (ADUs) are things that people would consider and can foster aging in place. Other important community supports that residents seek are high-quality health care providers, conveniently located grocery stores, and infrastructure that reinforces community connectedness.

**People want to live in communities that support independence, healthy living, and social engagement.** This calls for communities to meet residents where they are in life. Communities should help residents by providing things like affordable housing options that can support all ages; good health care services; and healthy food options. In addition, communities should have safe, accessible recreation places and spaces that will promote healthy living and encourage social engagement.

Source: 2021 Home and Community Preferences Survey: A National Survey of Adults Age 18-Plus
METHODOLOGY
Survey Methodology

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 June 9th to July 6th, 2021 by NORC using its online AmeriSpeak Panel that is representative of the U.S. population. NORC conducted a total of 2,826 interviews of a 25 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 2,687 interviews online and 139 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 2021 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 +/-2.58%.
## 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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