

2015 Nebraska Caregiving Survey
(Survey Sample: 45-Plus Registered Voters)
(N=800, sampling error = $\pm 3.5\%$)

INTRODUCTION/SCREENER

Hello, this is _____ calling from Precision Research. We are not telemarketers and are not trying to sell you anything. We are interested in your views on caregiving and helping older people in Nebraska live independently as they age. Your views are important and we would greatly appreciate your participation. All your responses will be kept entirely confidential.

INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTIONS: IF NECESSARY, THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CAN BE PROVIDED TO RESPONDENT.

- We are not permitted to disclose the sponsor at the beginning of the survey because there is a concern it could bias responses. If you would like that information when we are finished with the interview, I will provide it to you.
- We are not selling anything, and we will not ask you to contribute to any organization.
- Your opinions will be kept confidential and used for research purposes only.
- The interview should take about **15** minutes depending on your answers.

SCREENING QUESTIONS

S1. Our study is interested in the opinions of people in certain age groups. Could you please tell me your age as of your last birthday? **[IN YEARS]** _____ **[RECORD ACTUAL AGE AND USE THE AGE GROUPS BELOW TO KEEP TRACK OF HOW MANY RESPONDENTS WE ARE GETTING IN EACH GROUP.]**

800	N=
-	[DO NOT READ] Under 45 [ASK TO SPEAK TO SOMEONE 45 OR OLDER AND REPEAT INTRO AND THEN ASK S1. IF NO ONE 45 OR OLDER, TERMINATE.]
28.0%	45-54
32.5%	55-64
39.5%	65+
-	[DO NOT READ] Refused [GO TO S2]

S2. **[If REFUSED in S1:]** I understand. Some people are not comfortable giving their age, but would you let me know which of the following age ranges you fall into?

-	Under 45 [ASK TO SPEAK TO SOMEONE 45 OR OLDER. REPEAT INTRO AND THEN ASK S1. IF NO ONE IS 45 OR OLDER, TERMINATE.]
-	45-49
-	50-54
-	55-64
-	65+
-	[DO NOT READ] Refused [THANK & TERMINATE]

S3. [RECORD RESPONDENT'S GENDER. ASK ONLY IF ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY.] "To ensure it is recorded accurately, could you please state your gender?"

800	N=
47.0%	Male
53.0%	Female

S4. Are you registered to vote in Nebraska?

800	N=
100.0%	Yes
-	No [THANK AND TERMINATE]

Main Questionnaire

Q1. A family caregiver is someone who provides UNPAID care for an adult loved one who is ill, frail, elderly, or has a physical, mental, or emotional disability. This unpaid care may include assisting with personal needs like bathing and dressing, household chores, meals, shopping, transportation, or managing finances or medical care.

Are you currently a family caregiver providing UNPAID care to an adult loved one?

[INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF THE RESPONDENT ASKS IF THE PERSON THEY ARE PROVIDING CARE TO HAS TO LIVE WITH THEM THE INTERVIEWER SHOULD SAY "THIS PERSON DOES NOT HAVE TO LIVE WITH YOU."]

800	N=
16.5%	Yes, I am currently providing care to an adult loved one
83.3%	No [SKIP TO QUESTION 15]
0.3%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused[SKIP TO QUESTION 15]

QUESTIONS 2 THROUGH 14 ARE FOR CURRENT CAREGIVERS

Q2. What is the age of the person you are providing care for? [INTERVIEWER: IF THEY ARE PROVIDING CARE TO MORE THAN ONE PERSON, ASK THEM TO ANSWER BASED ON THE PERSON THEY ARE PROVIDING THE MOST CARE TO.] [RECORD AGE IF KNOWN AND GIVEN; IF NOT KNOWN OR GIVEN, TRY TO RECORD IT IN THE RANGE BELOW.]

132	N=
1.5%	Under 18 [SKIP TO QUESTION 15]
5.3%	18-49
6.0%	50-59
1.5%	60-64
84.1%	65+
1.5%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Q3. Still thinking about the person you are providing care to the most, which of the following daily activities are you providing? Are you **[INSERT, READ AND RANDOMIZE ITEMS A THROUGH H.]**?
[RECORD A RESPONSE FOR EACH ITEM.]

130	N=
33.2%	Assisting with bathing or dressing
80.7%	Providing transportation to appointments
76.8%	Taking them shopping or shop for them
62.4%	Helping them with meals
65.3%	Helping them to manage finances
74.7%	Aiding with household chores
56.1%	Overseeing their medication management
56.8%	Being responsible for other medical or nursing tasks
85.3%	Providing Social Activities/Companionship

Q4. Are there any other activities that you are providing?

130	N=
24.6%	Yes [ASK Q5]
73.9%	No [SKIP TO QUESTION 6]
1.5%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused [SKIP TO QUESTION 6]

Q5. What are they? **[RECORD RESPONSES]**

Q6. Have you ever been employed either full or part-time while providing care to your adult loved one?

130	N=
60.7%	Yes [ASK Q7]
39.3%	No [SKIP TO QUESTION 11]
-	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused [SKIP TO QUESTION 11]

Q7. Now thinking again about the adult loved one you are currently providing care to, did you ever have to **[INSERT, READ AND RANDOMIZE ITEMS A THROUGH D. RECORD A RESPONSE FOR EACH ITEM.]**?

79	N=
73.4%	Go into work early or late, or take time off to provide care for a loved one
29.2%	Take a leave of absence from your job to provide care for a loved one
17.8%	Go from working full-time to part-time to provide care for a loved one
15.2%	Give up working entirely to provide care for a loved one

Q8. Are there any other things related to your work life that you ever had to do in order to care for your loved one?

79	N=
11.3%	Yes [ASK Q9]
82.3%	No [SKIP TO QUESTION 10]
6.4%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused [SKIP TO QUESTION 10]

Q9. What were they? **[RECORD RESPONSES]**

Q10. **[IF Q7A=YES ASK]:** You mentioned that you had to go into work early or late, or take time off to provide care to an adult loved one. How often would you say you had to take time away from work or adjust your work schedule to provide care for someone? Would you say **[INSERT AND READ EACH ANSWER CATEGORY.]**?

58	N=
5.2%	More than once per week
8.6%	Once per week
31.2%	Several times per month but less often than once per week
30.9%	Once per month
20.7%	Less than once per month
3.4%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Q11. Now thinking again about the adult loved one you are currently providing care to, did you ever have to **[INSERT, READ AND RANDOMIZE ITEMS A THROUGH C.]**? **[RECORD A RESPONSE FOR EACH ITEM.]**

130	N=
59.4%	Use your own money to help provide care
37.8%	Make changes to your home for the loved one in your care
12.3%	Move into another home to accommodate the loved one in your care

Q12. As a caregiver do you ever **[INSERT, READ AND RANDOMIZE ITEMS A THROUGH I.]**? **[RECORD A RESPONSE FOR EACH ITEM.]**

130	N=
61.5%	Feel stressed out emotionally due to your caregiving responsibilities
58.4%	Feel stressed out in trying to balance your job and family
29.2%	Find it difficult to maintain a healthy diet
46.1%	Find it difficult to get enough rest
40.0%	Find it difficult to exercise regularly
45.3%	Find it difficult to take care of your household responsibilities
32.3%	Experience problems with your health
19.2%	Find it difficult to find time to visit your doctor
29.2%	Feel strained financially due to your caregiving responsibilities
28.5%	Feel stressed out about anything else

Q13. How important is it to you to be able to provide care for your loved one so that they can keep living independently in their own home? Is it **[INSERT AND READ EACH ANSWER CATEGORY.]?**

130	N=
56.2%	Extremely important
29.2%	Very important
5.4%	Somewhat important
0.8%	Not very important
2.3%	Not at all important
6.1%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Q14. How likely do you think it is that you will provide any caregiving or assistance on an unpaid basis for an adult loved one in the future? Is it **[INSERT AND READ EACH ANSWER CATEGORY.]?**

130	N=
42.3%	Extremely likely
27.8%	Very likely
10.0%	Somewhat likely
10.0%	Not very likely
9.2%	Not at all likely
0.8%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

SKIP TO QUESTION 26.

QUESTIONS 15 THROUGH 24 ARE FOR FORMER CAREGIVERS AND EMULATE THOSE FOR CURRENT CAREGIVERS.

NOTE TO DATA PROGRAMMERS: DURING THE DATA PROCESSING QUESTIONS 2 THROUGH 24 NEED TO BE RUN AS IS AND ALSO COLLAPSED SO THAT THERE IS ONE SET OF DATA FOR EACH OF THESE QUESTIONS THAT AGGREGATES CURRENT AND FORMER CAREGIVERS TOGETHER. ADDITIONALLY PLEASE PROVIDE ONE SHEET WITH AVERAGES OF CAREGIVER AGE, INCOME, GENDER, MARITAL STATUS, EDUCATION STATUS, EMPLOYMENT STATUS, AND AVERAGE AGE CATEGORY OF PERSON THEY CARE FOR.

Q15. Have you ever been a family caregiver who provided UNPAID care to an adult loved one?

[INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF THE RESPONDENT ASKS IF THE PERSON THEY HAVE PROVIDED CARE TO HAD TO LIVE WITH THEM THE INTERVIEWER SHOULD SAY “THIS PERSON DID NOT HAVE TO LIVE WITH YOU.”]

670	N=
41.6%	Yes, I have provided care to an adult loved one in the past
58.3%	No [SKIP TO QUESTION 25]
0.1%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused [SKIP TO QUESTION25]

Q16. What was the age of the person who you most recently provided care to? **[INTERVIEWER: IF THEY ARE PROVIDED CARE TO MORE THAN ONE PERSON, ASK THEM TO ANSWER BASED ON THE PERSON THEY ARE PROVIDING THE MOST CARE TO]. [RECORD AGE IF KNOWN AND GIVEN; IF NOT KNOWN OR GIVEN, TRY TO RECORD IT IN THE RANGE BELOW.]**

279	N=
0.4%	Under 18 [SKIP TO QUESTION 24]
1.8%	18-49
4.6%	50-59
3.2%	60-64
88.9%	65+
1.1%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Q17. Thinking about the person you most recently provided care to, which of the following daily activities did you provide? Did you **[INSERT, READ AND RANDOMIZE ITEMS A THROUGH H.]?** **[RECORD A RESPONSE FOR EACH ITEM.]**

278	N=
48.1%	Assist with bathing or dressing
90.2%	Provide transportation to appointments
85.9%	Take them shopping or shop for them
75.4%	Help them with meals
69.4%	Help them to manage finances
81.3%	Aide with household chores
67.8%	Oversee their medication management
70.4%	Take responsibility for other medical or nursing tasks
90.6%	Provide Social Activities/Companionship

Q18. Have you ever been employed either full or part-time while providing care to your adult loved one?

278	N=
59.0%	Yes [ASK Q19]
41.0%	No [SKIP TO QUESTION 21]
-	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused [SKIP TO QUESTION 21]

Q19. Now thinking again about the adult loved one you have most recently provided care to, did you ever have to **[INSERT, READ AND RANDOMIZE ITEMS A THROUGH D.]?** **[RECORD A RESPONSE FOR EACH ITEM.]**

164	N=
63.4%	Go into work early or late, or take time off to provide care for a loved one
28.0%	Take a leave of absence from your job to provide care for a loved one
16.4%	Go from working full-time to part-time to provide care for a loved one
13.4%	Give up working entirely to provide care for a loved one

Q20. **[IF Q19A=YES ASK]:** You mentioned that you had to go into work early or late, or take time off to provide care to an adult loved one. How often would you say you had to take time away from work or adjust your work schedule to provide care for someone? Would you say **[INSERT AND READ EACH ANSWER CATEGORY.]**?

104	N=
20.3%	More than once per week
11.5%	Once per week
33.7%	Several times per month but less often than once per week
16.3%	Once per month
15.3%	Less than once per month
2.9%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Q21. Now thinking again about the adult loved one you have most recently provided care to, while providing this care did you ever have to **[INSERT, READ AND RANDOMIZE ITEMS A THROUGH C.]** **[RECORD A RESPONSE FOR EACH ITEM.]**

278	N=
59.3%	Use your own money to help provide care
28.0%	Make changes to your home for the loved one in your care
15.8%	Move into another home to accommodate the loved one in your care

Q22. As a caregiver did you ever **[INSERT, READ AND RANDOMIZE ITEMS A THROUGH I.]**? **[RECORD A RESPONSE FOR EACH ITEM.]**

278	N=
56.4%	Felt stressed out emotionally due to your caregiving responsibilities
55.0%	Felt stressed out in trying to balance your job and family
23.7%	Found it difficult to maintain a healthy diet
49.9%	Found it difficult to get enough rest
38.1%	Found it difficult to exercise regularly
37.0%	Found it difficult to take care of your household responsibilities
20.8%	Experienced problems with your health
17.6%	Found it difficult to find time to visit your doctor
22.3%	Felt strained financially due to your caregiving responsibilities
32.7%	Felt stressed out about anything else

Q23. How important was it to you to be able to provide care for your loved one so that they could keep living independently in their own home? Was it **[INSERT AND READ EACH ANSWER CATEGORY.]**?

278	N=
51.7%	Extremely important
37.5%	Very important
6.1%	Somewhat important
1.1%	Not very important
1.4%	Not at all important
2.2%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Q24. How likely do you think it is that you will provide any caregiving or assistance on an unpaid basis for an adult loved one in the future? Is it **[INSERT AND READ EACH ANSWER CATEGORY.]?**

278	N=
14.0%	Extremely likely
17.0%	Very likely
24.8%	Somewhat likely
19.1%	Not very likely
22.6%	Not at all likely
2.5%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

SKIP TO Q26

QUESTION 25 IS FOR RESPONDENTS WHO ARE NOT CURRENT OR FORMER CAREGIVERS.

Q25. How likely do you think it is that you will provide any caregiving or assistance on an unpaid basis for an adult loved one in the future? Is it **[INSERT AND READ EACH ANSWER CATEGORY.]?**

393	N =
6.9%	Extremely likely
10.7%	Very likely
32.4%	Somewhat likely
23.2%	Not very likely
23.7%	Not at all likely
3.1%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

QUESTIONS 26 THROUGH QUESTION 30 ARE FOR ALL RESPONDENTS

Q26. In your opinion, as a current or former caregiver or as someone who may provide care in the future, how helpful would the following types of caregiving support be to you? Would **[INSERT, READ AND RANDOMIZE ITEMS A THROUGH G]** be very helpful, somewhat helpful, or not helpful?

Assistance with providing transportation

800	N=
16.5%	Extremely helpful
49.4%	Very helpful
8.4%	Somewhat helpful
13.3%	Not very helpful
10.3%	Not at all helpful
2.1%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Assistance with providing transportation to medical appointments

800	N=
17.2%	Extremely helpful
48.6%	Very helpful
7.5%	Somewhat helpful
14.5%	Not very helpful
10.7%	Not at all helpful
1.4%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Assistance with understanding how to manage medications

800	N=
17.1%	Extremely helpful
46.7%	Very helpful
8.1%	Somewhat helpful
14.0%	Not very helpful
11.8%	Not at all helpful
2.2%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Connecting with other caregivers in similar situations

800	N=
12.4%	Extremely helpful
44.2%	Very helpful
11.4%	Somewhat helpful
19.1%	Not very helpful
10.0%	Not at all helpful
2.9%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Information about available resources for caregivers in your community

800	N=
21.5%	Extremely helpful
52.1%	Very helpful
6.8%	Somewhat helpful
10.3%	Not very helpful
6.9%	Not at all helpful
2.5%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Respite care or breaks from caregiving responsibilities

800	N=
18.6%	Extremely helpful
53.0%	Very helpful
7.4%	Somewhat helpful
10.4%	Not very helpful
7.9%	Not at all helpful
2.8%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Assistance with providing meals

800	N=
14.9%	Extremely helpful
49.6%	Very helpful
8.9%	Somewhat helpful
14.6%	Not very helpful
9.5%	Not at all helpful
2.5%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Assistance with managing household chores

800	N=
13.3%	Extremely helpful
51.9%	Very helpful
8.3%	Somewhat helpful
14.4%	Not very helpful
10.7%	Not at all helpful
1.5%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Q27. Family caregivers help older Nebraska residents live independently by performing services like bathing and dressing as well as managing medication and paying bills. How important do you think it is to have more resources and training for family caregivers? Do you think it is **[INSERT AND READ EACH ANSWER CATEGORY.]**?

800	N=
28.9%	Extremely important
38.6%	Very important
23.4%	Somewhat important
3.8%	Not very important
3.8%	Not at all important
1.6%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

CARE ACT

Q28. Now I'm going to ask if you support or oppose some proposals that would provide additional help for family caregivers. Do you support or oppose **[INSERT, READ AND RANDOMIZE ITEMS A THROUGH C.]**?

Q29. Is that strongly or somewhat? **[PROGRAMMER NOTE: ONLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS THAT CORRESPOND TO THE RESPONSES GIVEN IN Q28.]**

Requiring hospitals and care facilities to record the name of a patient's family caregiver in the medical record upon admission

800	N=
50.5%	Strongly support
30.9%	Somewhat support
5.4%	[DO NOT READ] Neither support nor oppose
6.0%	Somewhat oppose
4.5%	Strongly oppose
2.7%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Hospitals keeping a family caregiver informed of major decisions, like transferring or discharging the patient

800	N=
67.6%	Strongly support
24.0%	Somewhat support
2.4%	[DO NOT READ] Neither support nor oppose
2.1%	Somewhat oppose
2.1%	Strongly oppose
1.7%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Requiring hospitals to explain and demonstrate any medical or nursing tasks family caregivers will need to perform after the patient returns home

800	N=
69.9%	Strongly support
23.9%	Somewhat support
1.5%	[DO NOT READ] Neither support nor oppose
1.5%	Somewhat oppose
2.2%	Strongly oppose
0.9%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

WORKPLACE FLEXIBILITY

Q30. Now I'm going to ask if you support or oppose some proposals that would provide help for working family caregivers. Do you support or oppose **[INSERT, READ AND RANDOMIZE ITEMS A THROUGH C.]**?

Q31. Is that strongly or somewhat? **[PROGRAMMER NOTE: ONLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS THAT CORRESPOND TO THE RESPONSES GIVEN IN Q30.]**

Requiring employers to provide a limited amount of unpaid leave to employees who have to take time off for family caregiving purposes

800	N=
51.1%	Strongly support
28.6%	Somewhat support
4.4%	[DO NOT READ] Neither support nor oppose
6.3%	Somewhat oppose
7.0%	Strongly oppose
2.6%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Requiring employers to provide some paid leave to all employees that can be used for family caregiving purposes

800	N=
43.6%	Strongly support
27.4%	Somewhat support
6.0%	[DO NOT READ] Neither support nor oppose
10.9%	Somewhat oppose
9.9%	Strongly oppose
2.3%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Ensuring employers cannot fire an employee for taking time off for family caregiving purposes

800	N=
58.9%	Strongly support
23.0%	Somewhat support
4.5%	[DO NOT READ] Neither support nor oppose
5.1%	Somewhat oppose
6.1%	Strongly oppose
2.4%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

QUESTION 32 IS FOR RESPONDENTS WHO ARE NOT CURRENT OR FORMER CAREGIVERS.

INSTRUCTION UPON HOSPITAL DISCHARGE

Q32. Thinking about right now – today - if you had to care for a family member after their discharge from a hospital, how important would it be for you to get training or instruction on any medical tasks you may need to provide for your loved one at home?

393	N=
60.4%	Extremely important
26.8%	Very important
8.7%	Somewhat important
1.8%	Not very important
2.3%	Not at all important
-	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

QUESTION 33 IS FOR RESPONDENTS WHO ARE CURRENT AND PAST CAREGIVERS

Q33. Thinking about right now – today – if your family member or loved one was being discharged from a hospital, how important would it be for you to get training or instruction on any medical tasks you may need to provide for your loved one at home?

407	N=
73.0%	Extremely important
22.1%	Very important
3.4%	Somewhat important
0.7%	Not very important
0.5%	Not at all important
0.2%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

QUESTIONS 34 AND QUESTION 35 ARE FOR CURRENT AND PAST CAREGIVERS

Q34. At any time while you have been providing care, did your family member or loved one require admission to a hospital?

407	N=
72.8%	Yes [SKIP TO QUESTION 35]
27.2%	No [SKIP TO QUESTION 36]
-	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused [SKIP TO QUESTION 36]

Q35. Upon their discharge from the hospital, were you provided with instruction or live demonstration of any medical tasks that you may need to perform for your family member or loved one at home?

296	N=
70.0%	Yes
25.6%	No
4.4%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

QUESTIONS 36 THROUGH QUESTION 44 ARE FOR ALL RESPONDENTS**RESPIRE CARE**

Q36. Do you support or oppose providing short-term help from a home health aide so family caregivers can take a break from their caregiving duties?

Q37. Is that strongly or somewhat? **[PROGRAMMER NOTE: ONLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS THAT CORRESPOND TO THE RESPONSES GIVEN IN Q36.]**

800	N=
58.7%	Strongly support
29.2%	Somewhat support
2.3%	[DO NOT READ] Neither support nor oppose
3.8%	Somewhat oppose
3.4%	Strongly oppose
2.7%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

TAX CREDIT

Q38. Do you support or oppose providing a state income tax credit to family caregivers who incur expenses for the care and support of an older family member living with them?

Q39. Is that strongly or somewhat? **[PROGRAMMER NOTE: ONLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS THAT CORRESPOND TO THE RESPONSES GIVEN IN Q38.]**

800	N=
56.1%	Strongly support
26.8%	Somewhat support
2.8%	[DO NOT READ] Neither support nor oppose
6.4%	Somewhat oppose
5.0%	Strongly oppose
3.0%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

INDEPENDENT LIVING

Q40. If you or a loved one needed help when the basic tasks of life become more difficult due to aging or illness, where would you prefer to receive that care or help for yourself or a loved one? **[INSERT, READ AND RANDOMIZE ITEMS A THROUGH C. ACCEPT ONLY ONE ANSWER.]**

800	N=
70.1%	At home with caregiver assistance
19.1%	In an assisted living facility or group home
4.8%	In a nursing home
6.0%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Q41. If you or a loved one needed help to remain independent, how important would it be to have services that would allow you or a loved one to live independently at home for as long as possible? Would it be **[INSERT AND READ EACH ANSWER CATEGORY.]?**

800	N=
59.6%	Extremely important
29.4%	Very important
8.8%	Somewhat important
0.9%	Not very important
0.5%	Not at all important
0.9%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Q42. How important is it that services that help older adults live independently, such as home health care, personal care, day programs, and services so caregivers can take a break from their caregiving duties, are available in your community? Is it **[INSERT AND READ EACH ANSWER CATEGORY.]?**

800	N=
42.8%	Extremely important
33.8%	Very important
17.8%	Somewhat important
2.6%	Not very important
1.9%	Not at all important
1.1%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Q43. Now I'm going to ask you about some specific community services. Please tell me how important you think it is to have the following services available in your community to help older adults live independently. How important is having **[INSERT, READ AND RANDOMIZE ITEMS A THOUGH J.]** in your community? Do you think it is **[INSERT AND READ EACH IMPORTANCE ANSWER CATEGORY.]?**

Senior or Community Centers

800	N=
27.9%	Extremely important
40.1%	Very important
24.4%	Somewhat important
4.0%	Not very important
2.0%	Not at all important
1.6%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Chore or homemaker services where someone comes in to do light housekeeping or cleaning for low-income and older persons

800	N=
28.2%	Extremely important
38.1%	Very important
25.8%	Somewhat important
4.6%	Not very important
1.6%	Not at all important
1.6%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Congregate meals such as senior lunch programs

800	N=
30.2%	Extremely important
38.6%	Very important
23.8%	Somewhat important
3.6%	Not very important
2.1%	Not at all important
1.6%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Home delivered meals

800	N=
33.2%	Extremely important
39.2%	Very important
21.0%	Somewhat important
3.5%	Not very important
2.1%	Not at all important
1.0%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Visiting nurse services, such as an RN who comes to your home after a hospitalization

800	N=
41.7%	Extremely important
38.3%	Very important
15.7%	Somewhat important
1.7%	Not very important
1.4%	Not at all important
1.3%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Well-trained certified home health care providers

800	N=
43.2%	Extremely important
38.7%	Very important
14.3%	Somewhat important
1.9%	Not very important
1.0%	Not at all important
0.9%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Breaks for family caregivers from caregiving duties

800	N=
35.1%	Extremely important
38.1%	Very important
20.9%	Somewhat important
3.0%	Not very important
1.4%	Not at all important
1.5%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

End of life or hospice services

800	N=
48.9%	Extremely important
36.7%	Very important
11.2%	Somewhat important
1.4%	Not very important
0.7%	Not at all important
1.1%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Special transportation services such as one for seniors or persons with disabilities

800	N=
36.8%	Extremely important
42.0%	Very important
17.2%	Somewhat important
2.0%	Not very important
1.1%	Not at all important
0.9%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

A central place for caregivers to go to get information and resources

800	N=
33.2%	Extremely important
36.2%	Very important
24.2%	Somewhat important
3.9%	Not very important
1.0%	Not at all important
1.5%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

Demographics

The following questions are for classification purposes only and will be kept entirely confidential.

D1. What is your current marital status? Are you **[INSERT AND READ EACH ANSWER CATEGORY.]**?

800	N=
70.2%	Married
1.6%	Not married, living with your partner or significant other
0.8%	Separated
7.1%	Divorced
11.0%	Widowed
7.4%	Or are you currently single and never married
1.9%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

D2. **[IF D1 = 1 ASK:** “Are you or your spouse currently a member of A-A-R-P?” **IF D1 = 2 ASK:** “Are you or your partner currently a member of AARP?” **OTHERWISE ASK** “Are you currently a member of AARP?”]

800	N=
33.5%	Yes
64.3%	No
2.1%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

D3. Thinking about who lives in your household, do you currently **[INSERT AND READ ITEMS A THROUGH D BELOW.]?**

800	N=
16.0%	Have any children under age 18 living with you
14.8%	Have any children over age 18 living with you
11.4%	Have any children away at college
4.8%	Have a parent or adult relative living with you

D4. Do you own or rent your primary residence?

800	N=
86.4%	Own
9.7%	Rent
1.3%	[DO NOT READ] Other living arrangement [RECORD ANSWER]
2.6%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

D5. What type of home is your primary residence? **[READ EACH ANSWER CATEGORY.]**

800	N=
87.4%	Single family home
1.3%	Mobile home
1.9%	Town home or duplex
4.4%	Apartment
0.7%	Condominium or coop
2.5%	[DO NOT READ] Something else
1.9%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

D6. What is the highest level of education that you completed? **[READ EACH ANSWER CATEGORY.]**

800	N=
4.1%	0 to 12 th grade, but with no diploma
23.6%	High school graduate or equivalent
12.4%	Post high school education, but with no degree
14.0%	2 year degree
18.6%	4 year degree
5.6%	Post graduate study, but with no degree
18.6%	Graduate or professional degree
3.1%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

D7. Which of the following best describes your current employment status? **[READ EACH ANSWER CATEGORY.]**

800	N=
9.1%	Self-employed full-time
2.9%	Self-employed part-time
34.3%	Employed full-time
5.7%	Employed part-time
38.8%	Retired and not working at all
1.7%	Unemployed and looking for work
5.1%	Or are you not in the labor force for other reasons
2.3%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure

D8. Are you of Hispanic, Spanish, or Latino origin or descent?

800	N=
1.6%	Yes
95.4%	No
3.0%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

D9. What is your race? Are you **[INSERT AND READ EACH ANSWER CATEGORY.]**?

800	N=
91.5%	White or Caucasian
2.0%	Black or African American
0.5%	Native American or Nebraskan Native
0.2%	Asian
0.1%	Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
2.1%	Or are you some other race? [RECORD ANSWER]
3.5%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

D10. Thinking about your state elections for Nebraska Governor and Legislators in the last 10 years, which of the following best describes your voting behavior? Would you say you vote always, most of the time, about half of the time, seldom, or would you say you never vote? [READ EACH ANSWER CATEGORY.]

800	N=
68.2%	Always
21.9%	Most of the time
3.6%	About half of the time
2.1%	Seldom
1.6%	Never
2.5%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure

D11. Do you consider yourself to be a [INSERT, READ AND RANDOMIZE ITEMS A THROUGH E.]?

800	N=
26.3%	Democrat
38.6%	Republican
21.5%	Independent
1.4%	Tea Party member
3.9%	[DO NOT READ] Something else [RECORD ANSWER]
8.4%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

D12. How would you characterize your political views? Would you say you are [INSERT, READ AND RANDOMIZE ITEMS A THROUGH C.]?

800	N=
47.1%	Conservative
31.4%	Moderate
10.1%	Liberal
3.5%	[DO NOT READ] None of these
7.9%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

D13. Have you ever used any of the following healthcare technology for yourself or someone else?

800	N=
33.4%	GPS technology
19.8%	Personal emergency response systems
14.2%	Medication reminders
4.6%	Online support communities for caregivers, for instance AARP Caregiver Resource Center
9.2%	Wireless home monitoring
10.5%	Telikin computer
13.0%	Health tracking tools i.e. fitness and food trackers

D14. We realize income is a private matter and so rather than ask you anything specific about your income, I'd like to ask you to please stop me when I get to the category that includes your household's income before taxes in 2014. Was it **[INSERT AND READ EACH ANSWER CATEGORY.]**?

800	N=
3.5%	Less than \$10,000
6.3%	\$10,000 to less than \$20,000
12.1%	\$20,000 to less than \$30,000
8.6%	\$30,000 to less than \$40,000
9.5%	\$40,000 to less than \$50,000
8.6%	\$50,000 to less than \$60,000
7.4%	\$60,000 to less than \$75,000
10.9%	\$75,000 to less than \$100,000
6.1%	\$100,000 to less than \$125,000
3.3%	\$125,000 to less than \$150,000
3.0%	\$150,000 to less than \$200,000
2.0%	\$200,000 or more
18.7%	[DO NOT READ] Not sure/Refused

D15. What county do you live in? _____RECORD

That was our last question for tonight/today. Thanks you very much for taking the time to help us out. Have a great day/night!