



Fox Cities
CITIZEN SURVEY FREQUENCY RESULTS
November, 2005

Total surveys mailed: 1953

Responses: 350

Response rate 17.9%

Confidence interval: + or - 5%

1. Thinking about the Fox Cities region overall, how would you rate it as a place to live? (circle one)

Poor		Average	MEAN 4.24 (sd .743)	Excels	No opinion	Missing
<1%	1%	10%	37%	32%	1%	19%

2. In terms of the following aspects of life in the Fox Cities, how would you rate the **Fox Cities region** in terms of... (circle one per row)

	Mean (sd)	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	No opinion	Missing
A. Providing effective education	3.48 (.57)	0%	4%	38%	46%	7%	5%
B. Meeting the overall needs of the poor	2.79 (.76)	3	24	40	13	14	5
C. Building a strong economy	2.96 (.72)	3	16	54	19	3	5
D. Caring for vulnerable persons (like children, the elderly, and persons with disabilities)	2.94 (.69)	3	16	52	16	9	5
E. The quality of the natural environment	3.17 (.68)	1	12	51	29	2	5
F. The availability of appealing leisure time opportunities	3.24 (.71)	1	11	45	36	2	5
G. Meeting the health needs of citizens	3.13 (.73)	3	11	48	28	5	5
H. Living together as neighbors	3.19 (.66)	2	8	54	29	2	5
I. Providing for the safety of our citizens	3.22 (.67)	1	10	50	32	2	5

3. Thinking about the Fox Cities area overall, how would you rate the Fox Cities...

	Mean (sd)	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	No opinion	Missing
A. As a place to raise a family	3.54 (.57)	0%	4%	35%	54%	1%	5%
B. As a place for single adults	2.98 (.76)	3	14	38	18	22	5
C. As a place to retire	3.01 (.82)	4	17	42	26	7	5
D. As a place for people of minority racial, ethnic, religious or other cultural background	2.71 (.74)	5	21	44	8	16	6
E. As a place for children and youth	3.35 (.60)	<1	5	48	37	4	5
F. As a place for persons with disabilities	3.05 (.70)	1	13	45	20	16	5

4. L.I.F.E. of Learning	Mean (sd)	Poor		Average		Excels	No opinion	Missing
A. The Fox Cities as a place that meets the educational needs of you and/or your family	4.09 (.76)	0	2	16	42	28	6	5
B. Opportunities for adults to get an education	4.17 (.79)	<1	2	16	39	34	5	5
C. Public schools grades K-12 in your community	4.15 (.77)	<1	2	15	36	31	10	5
D. Non-public schools grades K-12 in your community	4.16 (.81)	<1	2	10	30	26	25	6
E. Higher education (community/technical schools, universities/colleges)	4.21 (.81)	<1	2	15	36	39	3	5
F. The Fox Cities as a place that is investing needed resources to ensure quality education in the future	3.93 (.88)	1	5	19	37	23	11	5

5. L.I.F.E. at Work	Mean (sd)	Poor		Average		Excels	N/A	Missing
A. The Fox Cities as a place that provides jobs and career opportunities with wages and benefits with a good standard of living for you and/or your family	3.58 (.88)	2%	7%	33%	38%	12%	3%	5%
B. Fox Cities as a place that meets the overall employment needs of all citizens (e.g., safety, job satisfaction, benefits, training and support)	3.39 (.85)	2	9	39	32	7	6	5
C. The availability of jobs with health care	3.11 (.98)	6	12	39	22	6	9	5
D. The overall transportation system (roads, traffic, bus service)	3.52 (.87)	1	8	37	33	12	2	5
E. The Fox Cities as a place that is doing the things necessary to have a strong economy in the future	3.48 (.90)	2	7	36	31	11	8	5

6. A Healthy L.I.F.E.	Mean (sd)	Poor		Average		Excels	N/A	Missing
A. The overall quality of health care for adults and youth in the Fox Cities	3.93 (.87)	1%	4%	21%	41%	25%	3%	5%
B. The overall quality of dental care for adults and youth in the Fox Cities	3.86 (.91)	1	6	20	42	22	4	5
C. The overall quality of mental health care for adults and youth in the Fox Cities	3.61 (.94)	2	5	27	27	13	21	5
D. The access to health care for all persons	3.64 (.99)	2	8	26	32	17	10	5
E. The Fox Cities as a place that addresses alcohol and substance abuse	3.47 (.91)	1	8	33	26	11	15	6
F. The Fox Cities as a place where spiritual health of residents is nurtured	3.78 (.91)	1	4	26	35	19	9	5

7. <i>L.I.F.E. in Our Community</i>	Mean (sd)	Poor	Average		Excels	N/A	Missing	
A. The overall quality of public services in your community	3.69 (.82)	2%	3%	34%	42%	14%	3%	3%
B. Transportation improvements keeping up with the pace of growth in the Fox Cities area	3.44 (.88)	1	11	38	31	11	6	3
A. The quality of library services in your community	4.12 (.88)	1	4	15	37	35	5	3
C. As a place where <i>you and/or your family</i> are treated respectfully	3.97 (.87)	1	4	22	41	29	1	3
D. Opportunities in the community for youth to explore interests and participate in positive activities	3.83 (.89)	1	5	24	37	21	9	3
E. As a place where people of different cultural/racial/ethnic backgrounds get along well	3.26 (.89)	3	12	36	32	5	9	3
F. As a place where all people are treated respectfully, regardless of their race, culture, religion, gender, sexual orientation, income level, disability, or age	3.28 (.94)	4	14	33	34	6	6	3

8. <i>L.I.F.E. at Leisure</i>	Mean (sd)	Poor	Average		Excels	N/A	Missing	
A. The availability of various leisure activities that meet the interests of <i>you and/or your family</i>	3.79 (.92)	2%	4%	29%	37%	23%	3%	3%
B. The fine arts and other cultural opportunities for citizens (e.g., music, theatre, art, museums, historical)	4.01 (.91)	1	5	19	37	32	3	3
C. The physical recreation for citizens young and old (sports, exercise programs, parks, outdoor activities)	4.04 (.83)	1	3	18	43	29	3	3
D. Providing leisure opportunities that reflect a variety of cultures	3.48 (.94)	2	9	33	28	12	13	3
E. The Fox Cities as a place that attracts and rewards talented people in the arts.	3.52 (1.01)	2	9	32	23	16	15	3

10. <i>L.I.F.E. at Home</i>	Mean (sd)	Poor	Average		Excels	N/A	Missing	
A. The ability of you or your family to obtain quality child care at an affordable cost	3.08 (.93)	3%	7%	24%	11%	3%	50%	3%
B. As a place that meets the overall needs of elderly persons	3.56 (.81)	0	7	33	31	10	17	3
C. As a place that meets the overall needs of persons with disabilities	3.46 (.844)	<1	9	32	27	8	21	3
D. As a place that meets the overall needs of children	3.7 (.83)	1	4	31	34	15	12	3

9. A Safe L.I.F.E.	Mean (sd)	Poor	Average		Excels	N/A	Missing	
A. The overall quality of law enforcement in your community	3.85 (.89)	2%	3%	28%	40%	24%	1%	3%
B. The overall quality of your community emergency services such as fire protection and ambulance services	4.13 (.78)	0	3	15	43	32	4	3
C. The safety of your neighborhood	4.07 (.85)	1	3	17	42	33	1	3
D. The safety of schools in your community	3.99 (.80)	0	3	20	41	24	9	3
E. Efforts to prevent crime in your community	3.8 (.85)	1	3	29	39	19	6	3
F. Your community's preparedness for major safety threats (natural disaster or terrorism)	3.12 (.99)	5	11	30	18	5	28	3
G. The amount of abuse or neglect of vulnerable people (e.g. children, seniors) in your community	3.27 (.84)	1	8	36	19	5	27	3

11. L.I.F.E. of Self Sufficiency	Mean (sd)	Poor	Average		Excels	N/A	Missing	
A. The availability of affordable, quality housing for you and/or your family.	3.57 (.97)	2%	8%	34%	30%	17%	7%	2%
B. Efforts to reduce poverty in your community	3.10 (.95)	3	17	32	20	5	21	2
C. The availability of support services for people with low incomes	3.15 (.98)	4	14	32	19	7	23	2
D. The Fox Cities as a place where people with low incomes can meet their basic needs for food, housing, and the like.	3.14 (.98)	3	17	33	18	7	20	2

12. L.I.F.E. in our Natural Environment	Mean (sd)	Poor	Average		Excels	N/A	Missing	
A. The quality of the air in the Fox Cities	3.65 (.85)	1%	6%	35%	38%	15%	3%	2%
B. The quality of the water in the rivers and lakes in the Fox Cities	3.02 (1.0)	8	16	40	24	5	4	2
C. The quality of the drinking water in the Fox Cities	3.53 (1.04)	4	11	30	33	18	3	2
D. The efforts being made within the region to protect the natural environment	3.51 (.95)	3	8	31	36	12	9	2

13. Generally speaking, considering where you would like to see the Fox Cities in FIVE years, do you feel the Fox Cities region is currently headed in the WRONG DIRECTION or the RIGHT DIRECTION?

- 5%.....Wrong Direction
- 55%....Right Direction
- 35%....Not Sure
- 5%.....No Answer

ABOUT YOUR L.I.F.E.

14. What is your gender?

- 52% Female
- 43% Male
- 5% Not specified

15. Are you currently employed (full or part time?) Please circle a number:

- 38% No (skip down to question 19)
- 54% Yes (go on to question 16)
- 8% Not specified

16. In which county do you work?

(Of those employed)

Other included Lincoln (1), Milwaukee (2), Oconto (1), Shawano (1), and Waupaca (3 persons)

- 3% Brown
- 3% Calumet
- 31% Outagamie
- 16% Winnebago
- 3% Other (specify):

17. Overall, how satisfied are you with your employment (e.g., job benefits, human relations in the workplace, workplace safety)

(Of those employed)

- 3% Very Dissatisfied
- 5% Dissatisfied
- 30% Satisfied
- 17% Very Satisfied
- 1% No opinion

18. On average, what is the number of minutes it takes you to get to work from home (one way)?

Minutes (one way)

16 minutes

19. What is the 5 digit zip code of your current residence?

See attachment

20. In the past year, have you ...

	Yes	No	Don't know/no comment	Missing
A. Given your time without pay to help at a church, school, or to a charitable organization	68%	25%	3%	5%
B. Donated money to a religious organization	73	20	2	5
C. Donated money to a charitable service or volunteer organization other than a church	82	11	2	5
D. Attended a cultural event such as a play, musical event, art exhibit, or museum in the Fox Cities	62	32	1	5
E. Used any recreational facilities/programs in the Fox Cities (e.g., parks, sports programs, public pools, YMCAs, walking or bike paths/trails)	75	19	1	5
F. Took an Internet college course or training program	13	81	1	5
G. Voted in a local election , like a referendum, town or village board election, etc	74	20	1	5
H. Attended a worship service or religious gathering	80	14	2	5

21. Are there minor, dependent children living in your household?

69% No
 25% Yes
 5% Missing

22. Looking back over the last year or so of your life, about how often would you say you experienced the following?

	Mean (sd)	All of the time	Most of the time	Some of the time	Seldom	Never	No opinion	Missing
A. Frustrated because I or someone in my family couldn't get the health care services they needed	4.31 (1.0)	3%	3%	14%	16%	55%	4%	5%
B. Frustrated because I or someone in my family couldn't get the mental health care they needed	4.53 (.91)	1	1	7	7	48	30	5
C. Frustrated because I or someone in my family couldn't get the dental care they needed	4.37 (1.13)	5	5	6	12	61	7	5
D. Felt very secure about my or my family's finances	2.67 (1.13)	11	36	27	9	9	3	5
E. Worried about having enough food to avoid hunger for myself or my family	4.61 (.84)	2	1	7	11	72	1	5
F. Felt confident that I or my family can afford adequate housing to meet my/our needs	2.4 (1.5)	33	25	9	8	15	4	5
G. Felt alcohol or other substance abuse may be having a negative effect on my or my family's life	4.56 (.81)	<1	2	9	12	65	6	5
H. Worried about being able to care for an elderly family member	4.14 (1.06)	2	4	18	15	42	15	5

23. What is your primary racial/ethnic group? (Circle one.)

- 93% Caucasian or White
- 1% African American or Black
- 1% Native American
- <1% Asian or Pacific Islander
- 1% Hispanic or Latino
- 0% Multi-racial
- <1% Other
- 5% Not specified

24. What is your educational background? (Circle one.)

- 6% No high school diploma
- 39% High school graduate or GED
- 17% Technical or Associate Degree
- 22% Undergraduate Bachelor's Degree
- 11% Graduate Degree
- 5% Not specified

25. Counting income from all sources, including earnings from jobs, unemployment, insurance pensions, welfare, etc., and counting income for everyone living in your home, which response best describes your household income last year? (Before taxes)

- 3% Less than \$10,000
- 16% \$10,000 to less than \$25,000
- 26% \$25,000 to less than \$50,000
- 24% \$50,000 to less than \$75,000
- 14% \$75,000 to less than \$100,000
- 6% \$100,000 to less than \$125,000
- 3% \$125,000 to less than \$150,000
- 3% \$150,000 and above
- 5% Not specified

26. Does anyone in your household receive public assistance such as Wisconsin Works (W2), subsidized childcare, Food Stamps, General Assistance, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), or Medical Assistance?

- 90% No
- 8% Yes
- 2% Not specified