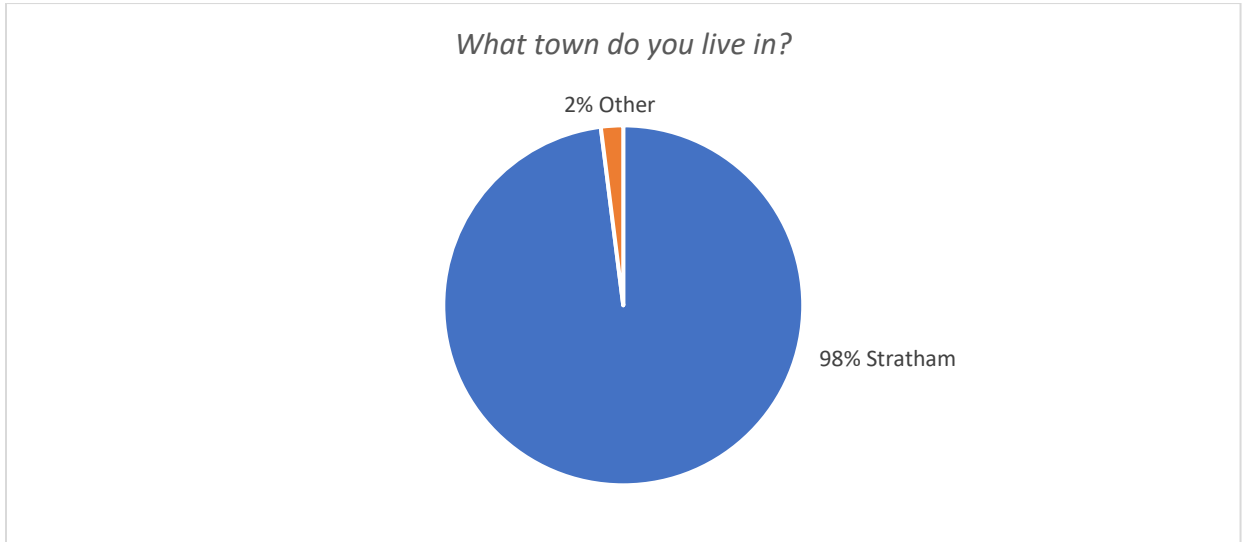


Appendix A. Stratham Survey Summary Report

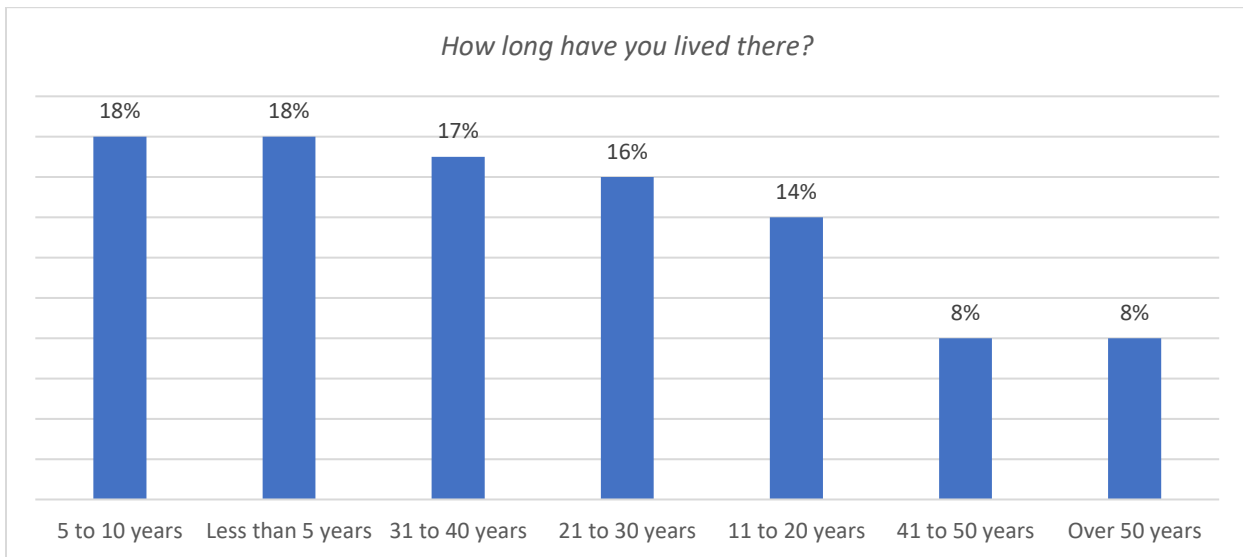
Question 1: What town do you live in?

98% of survey respondents (232) who answered the survey are from Stratham. 2% (5) of respondents reside in Brentwood, Danville, East Kingston, and Epping.



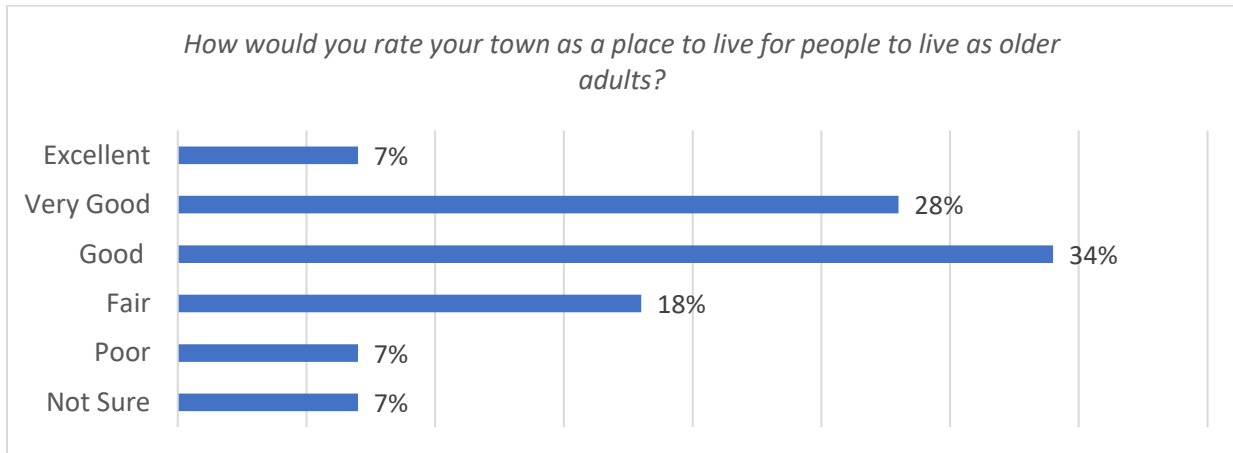
Question 2: How long have you lived there?

The majority of survey respondents indicated that they've lived in town for 5 – 10 years.



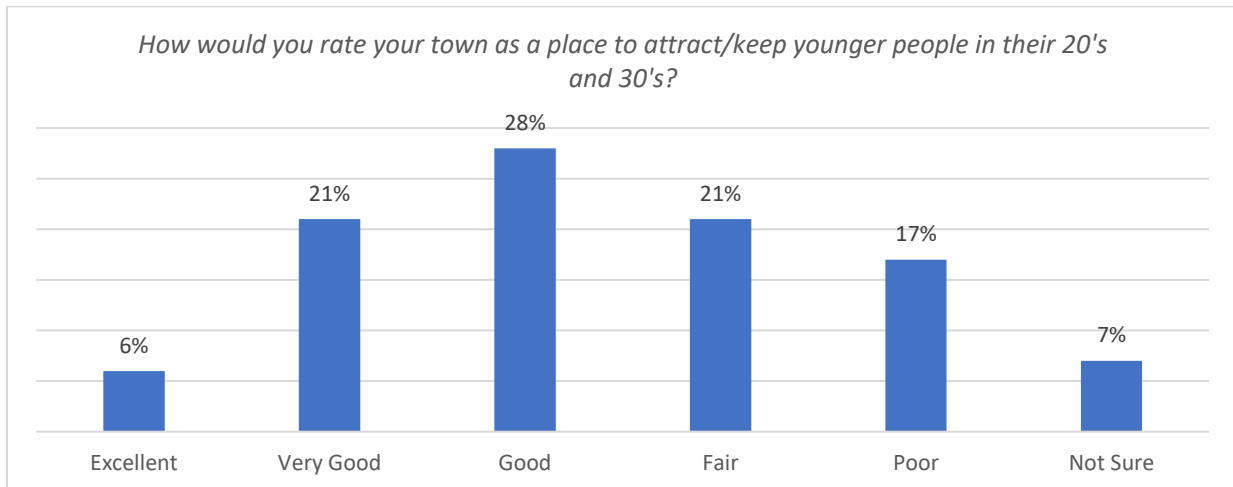
Question 3: How would you rate your town as a place to live for people to live as older adults?

By and large, most survey respondents indicated that their town is a good place to live for people as older adults.



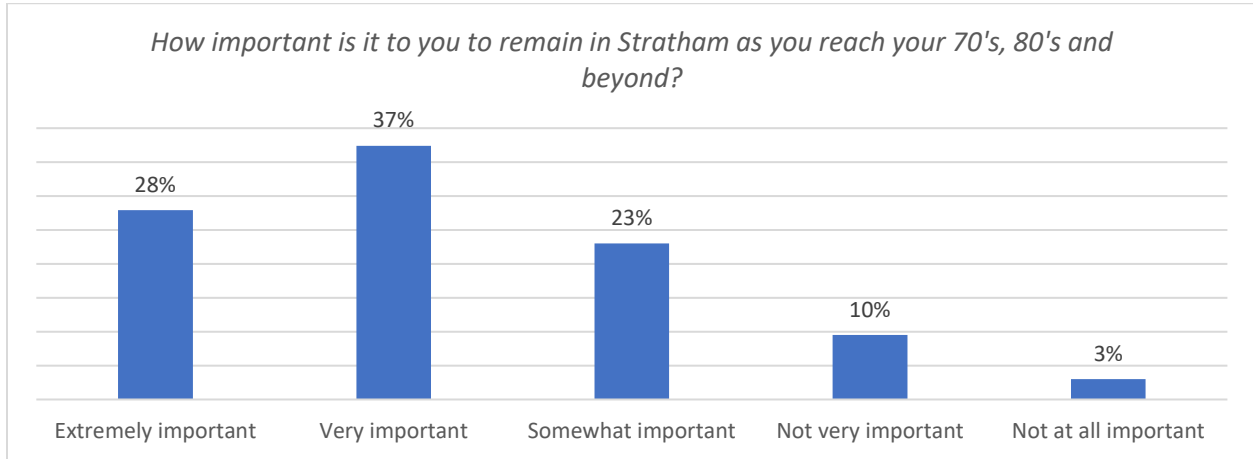
Question 4: How would you rate your town as a place to attract / keep people in their 20's and 30's?

Most survey respondents indicated that they'd rate their town as a good place to attract / keep people in their 20's and 30's.



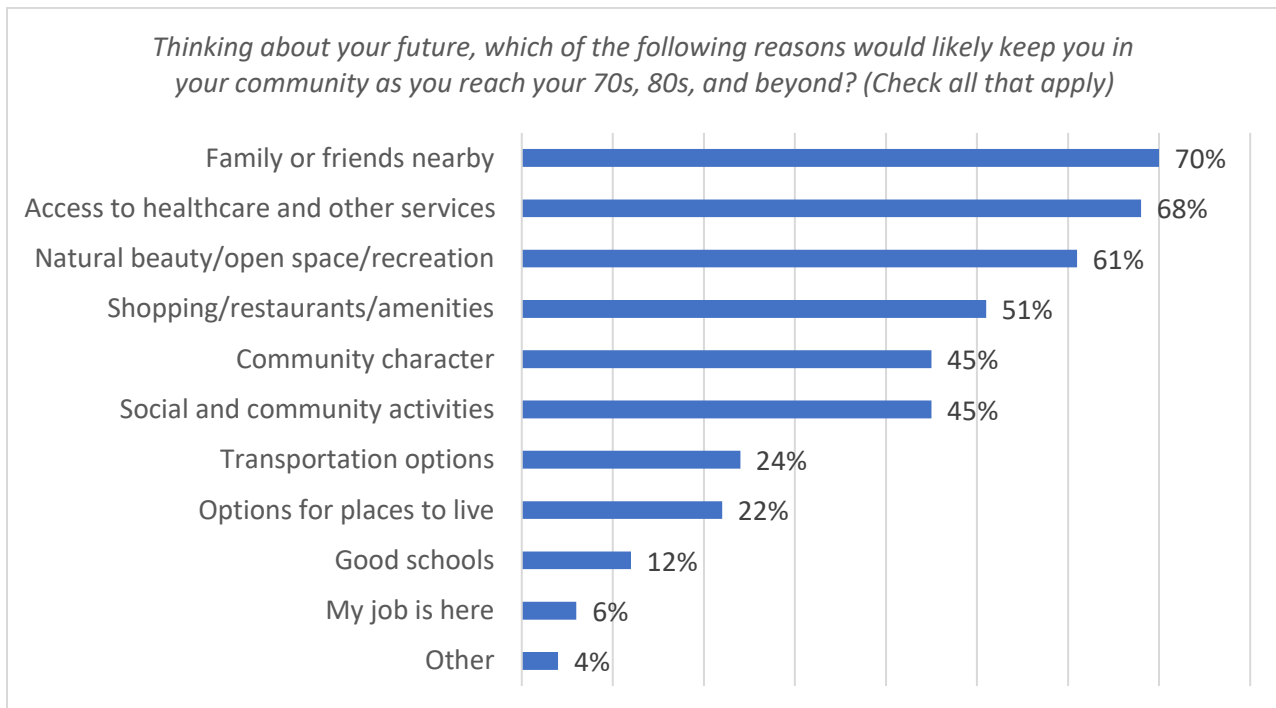
Question 5: How important is it for you to remain in your town as you reach your 70's, 80's and beyond?

Most survey respondents indicated that it is either very important or extremely important to remain in town as they get older.

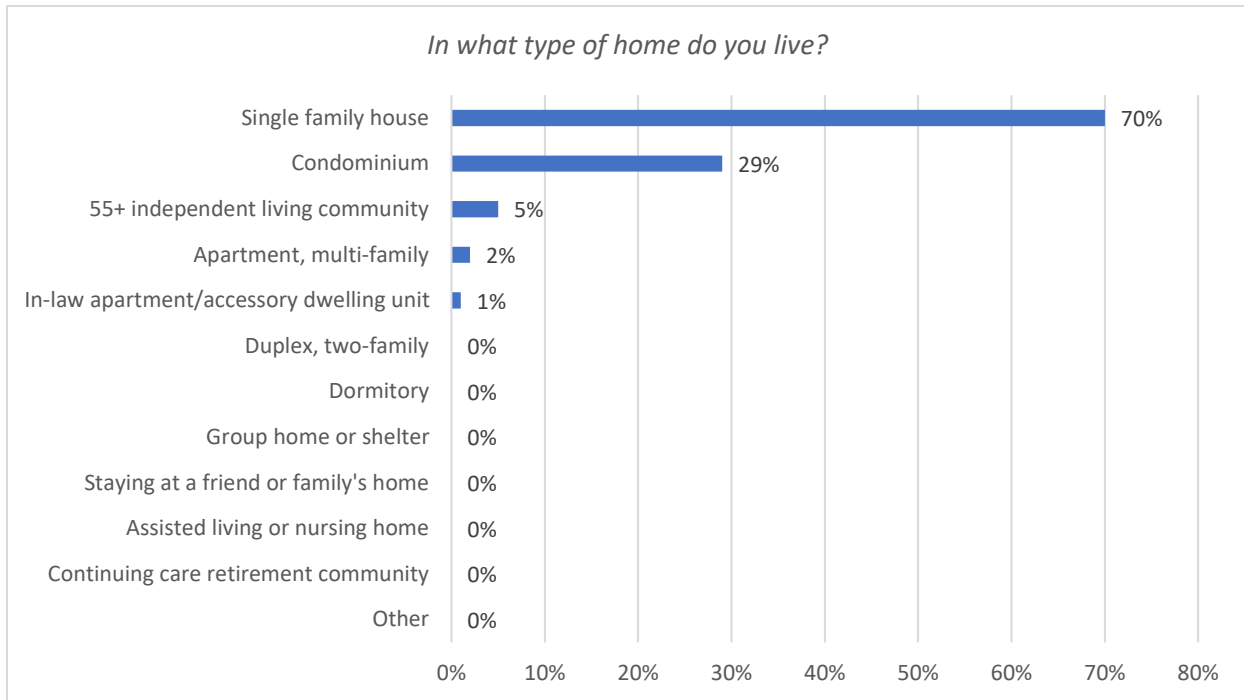


Question 6: Thinking about your future, which of the following reasons would likely keep you in your community as you reach your 70s, 80s, and beyond? (Check all that apply)

Most survey respondents indicated that the biggest reason they would remain in their communities is due to having family or friends nearby. This is followed closely by access to healthcare and other services, natural beauty/open space/recreation, shopping/restaurants/amenities, and community character.



Question 9: In what type of home do you live? (Check all that apply)



Question 10: My current home meets or fits my needs regarding:

Most residents indicated that their current home fits their needs either very well, or ok.

	Very well	OK	Not very well	Not at all
Design (e.g. single floor living, width of doors, few or no steps to get in)	57%	27%	12%	4%
Type of home (ex. Single family, apartment, condominium, other)	71%	28%	1%	0%
Location near places I want to go	58%	33%	8%	1%
Amount of routine maintenance (ex. Raking, snow shoveling)	34%	36%	26%	4%
Affordability within my budget	36%	50%	12%	2%
Sense of acceptance (if in an assisted living or other retirement community)	39%	43%	6%	12%

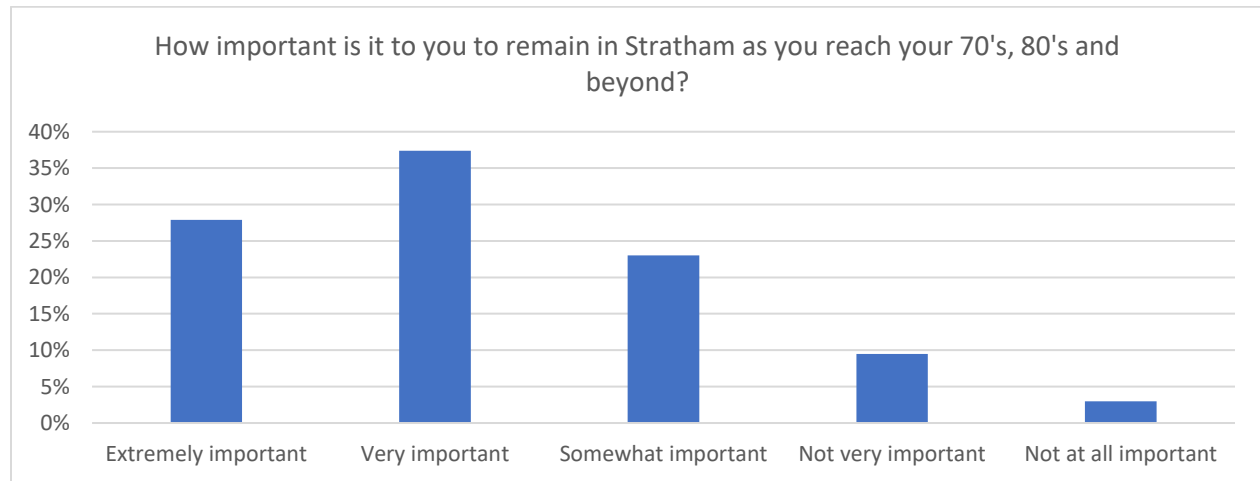
Question 11: If you have looked for a place to live in the past five years, or are considering another place to live in your community in the future, how would you rate the options available for you related to:

	Many Available	Some Available	Few Available	None Available	Not Applicable	Don't Know
Desired type of home (e.g. single family, apartment, condo, other)	2%	17%	40%	15%	16%	9%
Design (e.g. single floor living, width of doors, few or no steps to get in)	1%	18%	39%	13%	16%	13%
Location near places I want to go	5%	19%	38%	11%	15%	11%
Maintenance I'm willing to take on (e.g. lawn, raking, snow clearance)	5%	21%	38%	9%	17%	10%
Affordability within my budget	3%	15%	36%	23%	15%	7%
Sense of acceptance (if looking for an assisted living or other retirement community or neighborhood)	3%	19%	28%	8%	25%	18%

While responses varied across the board, most respondents indicated that there were few housing options available to them in each of the above categories.

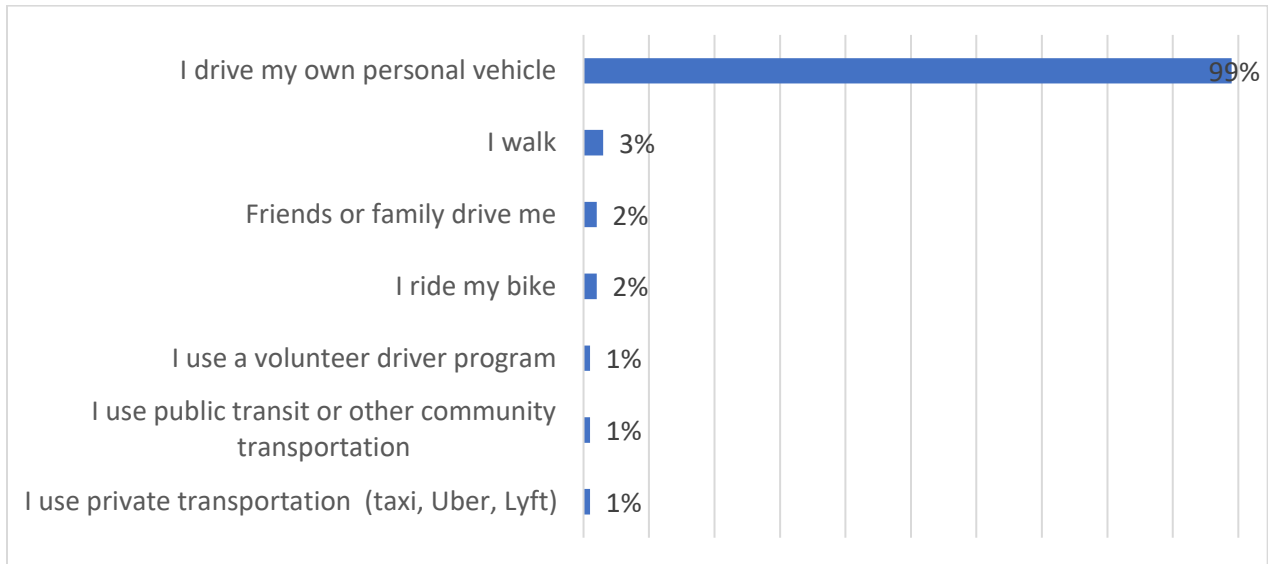
Question 12: How important is it for you to be able to live independently in your own home as you grow into older adulthood?

The vast majority of survey respondents indicated that it's extremely or very important for them to remain in their own homes as they grow into older adulthood.



Question 13: How do you typically travel to meet your daily needs (grocery shopping, employment, medical appointments, etc.)? (Check all that apply).

Just about every respondent drives their own personal vehicle to meet their daily needs.

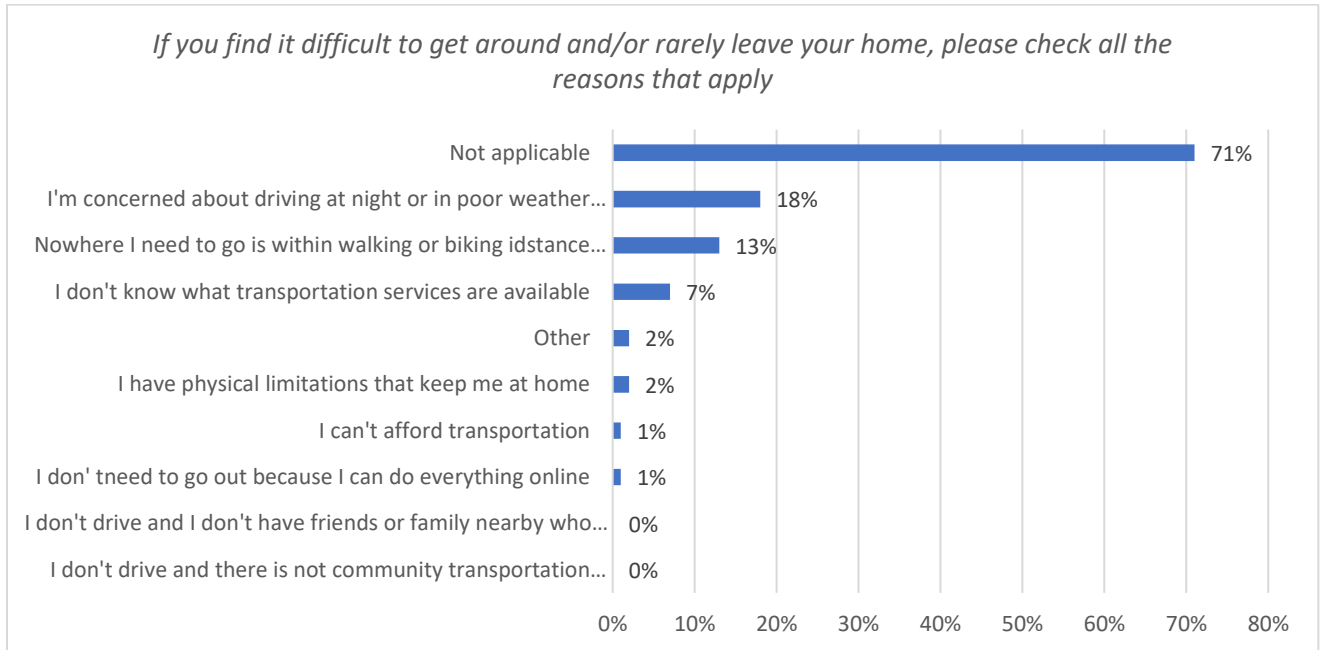


Question 14: How would you rate the following in your town?

	Good	Fair	Poor	Not Sure	Not Applicable
Sidewalks	3%	7%	67%	3%	21%
Bicycle safety	5%	19%	62%	7%	8%
Parking	57%	28%	5%	2%	9%
Public/community transportation	2%	10%	59%	20%	10%
Easy to read traffic signs	64%	32%	3%	1%	1%
Enforced speed limits	47%	37%	11%	4%	1%
Benches where I walk	8%	12%	41%	10%	29%
Ease of getting to town facilities	59%	29%	6%	3%	4%
Ease of access at town facilities	65%	26%	6%	3%	2%
Public restrooms	6%	13%	18%	51%	11%

Question 15: Are there places in town you'd like to walk to but can't access by sidewalk or trail? (See Appendix A for full list of comments)

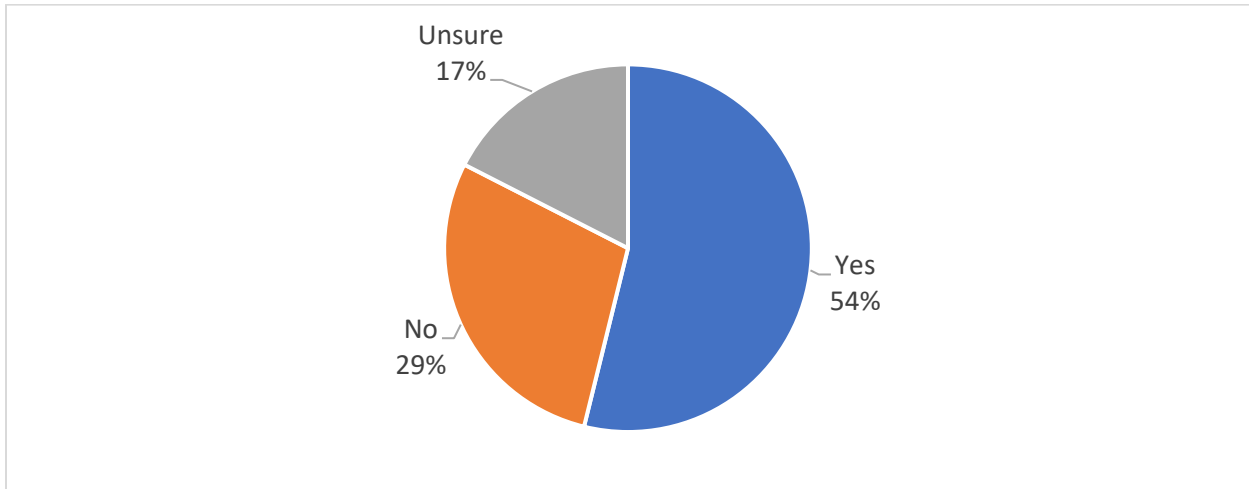
Question 16: If you find it difficult to get around and/or rarely leave your home, please check all the reasons that apply.



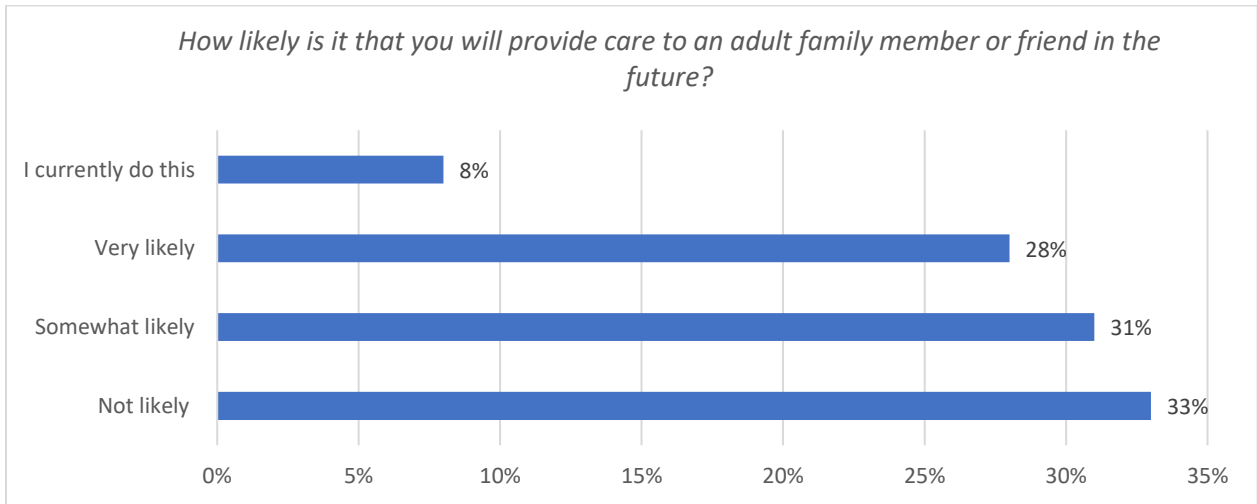
Question 17: Which of the following services do you use in your community?

	I use	Available, I don't use	Not Available	Not sure if available
In-person medical services	64%	18%	4%	14%
Telehealth medical services	43%	43%	1%	13%
Substance use disorder-recovery services	1%	37%	5%	57%
Dental care services	72%	22%	1%	5%
Vision care services	63%	26%	3%	8%
Meals on Wheels weekday delivery of meals to homes	1%	46%	5%	48%
Weekday luncheons for seniors	1%	18%	11%	71%
In-home healthcare services	0%	40%	4%	56%
In-home personal care help	0%	40%	4%	56%
In-home help with tasks like housekeeping, cooking, groceries	7%	35%	4%	54%
Early childhood education/preschool/daycare	4%	55%	5%	35%
After school care	2%	54%	4%	40%
Youth summer day camps	4%	62%	3%	30%
Teen center	1%	30%	13%	55%

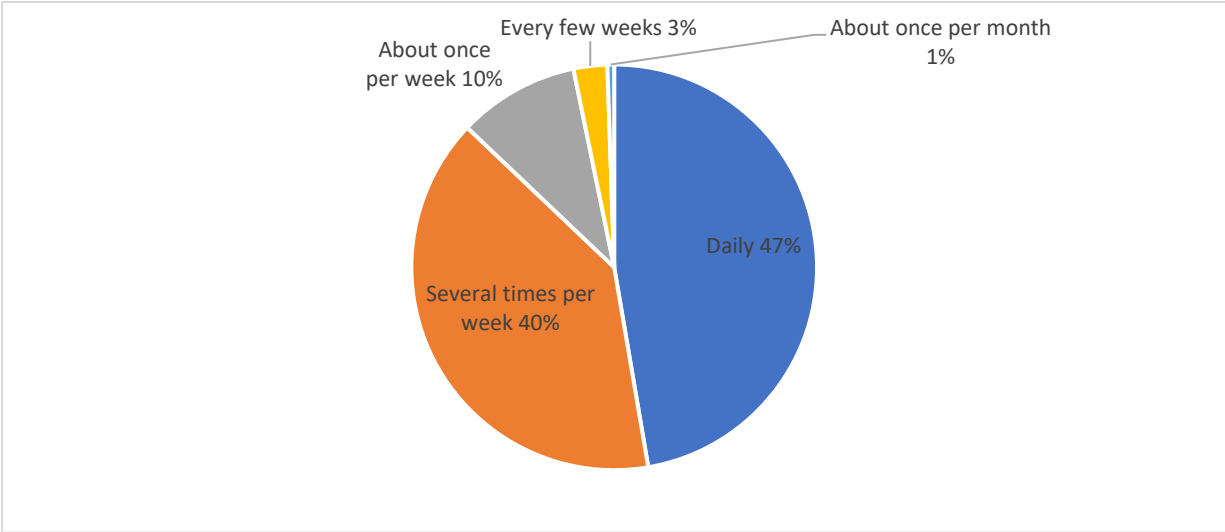
Question 18: Do you have friends or family nearby who can provide you with assistance now or in the future for things like running errands, transportation, cooking, and self-care?



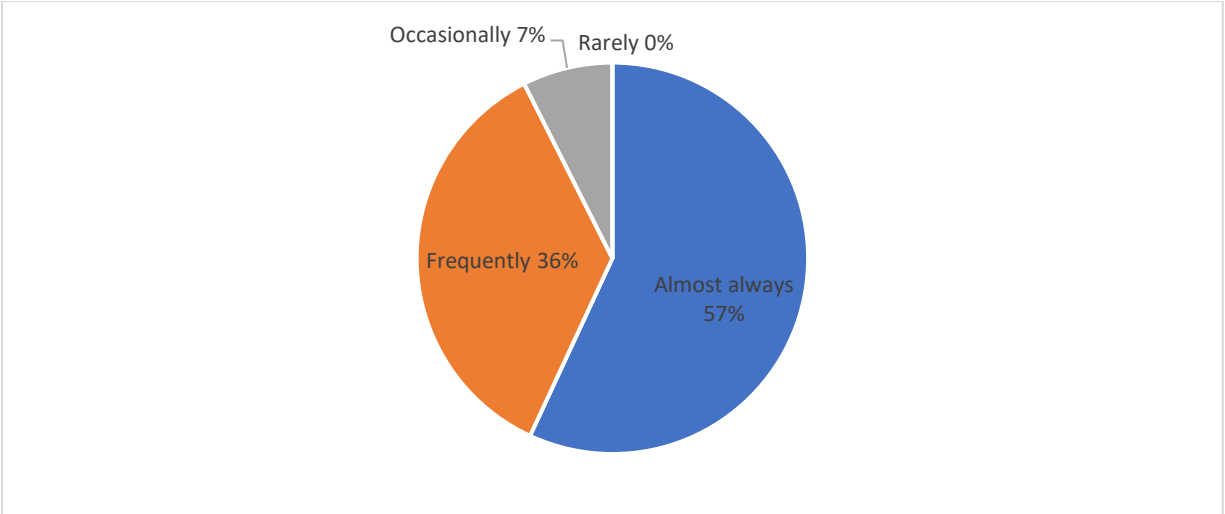
Question 19: How likely is it that you will provide care to an adult family member or friend in the future?



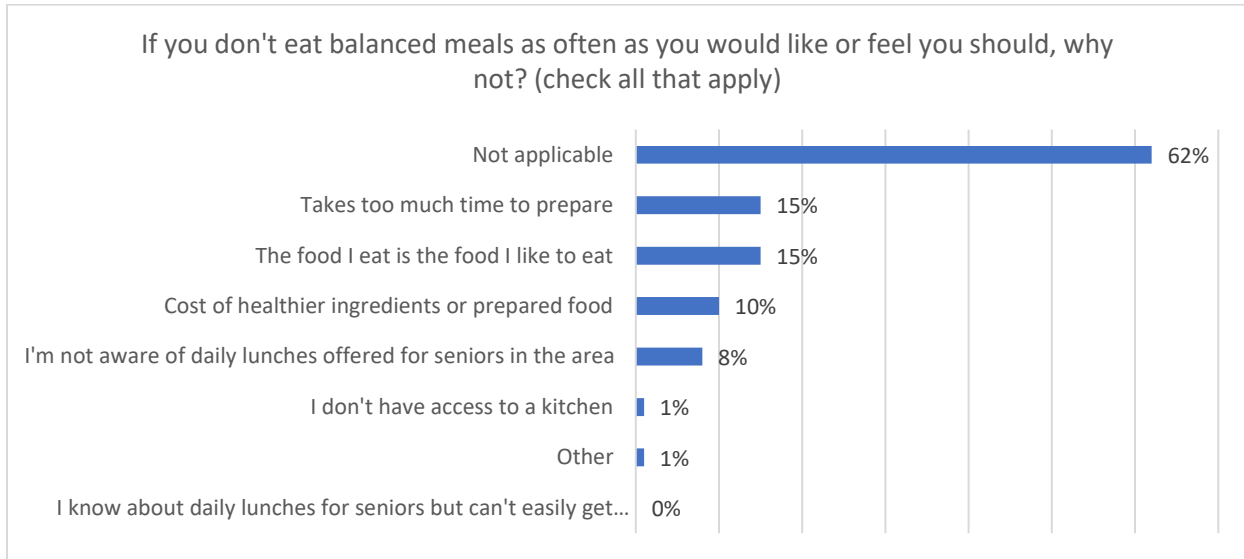
Question 20: How frequently do you engage in some form of physical activity?



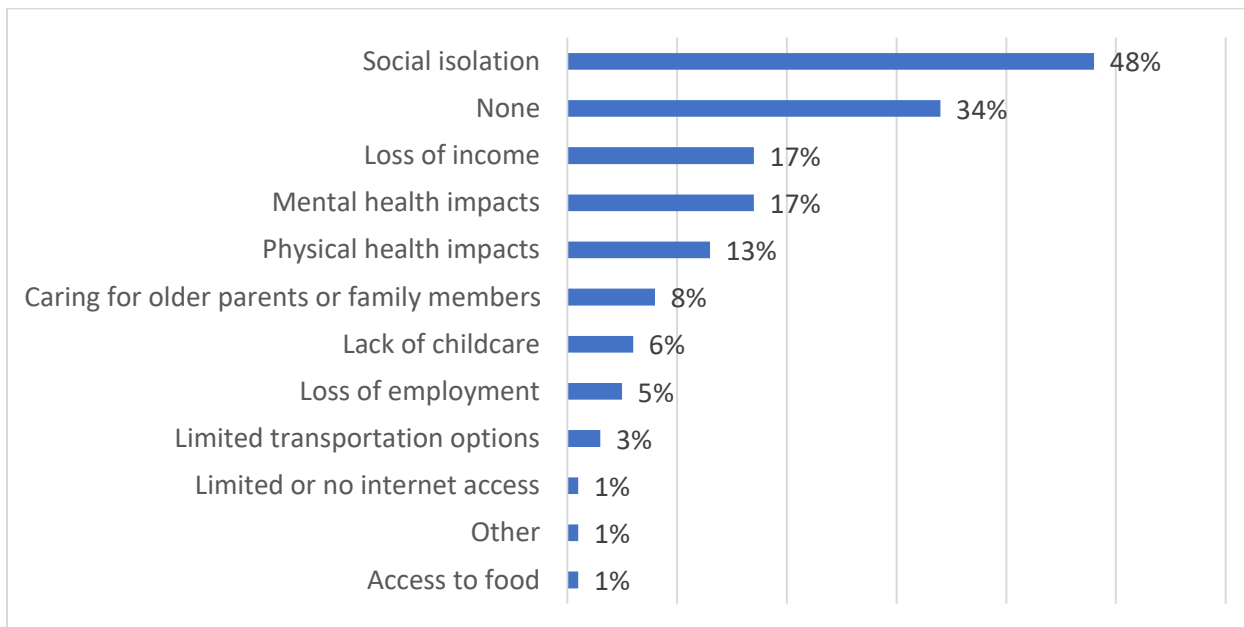
Question 21: How frequently do you eat nutritious meals?



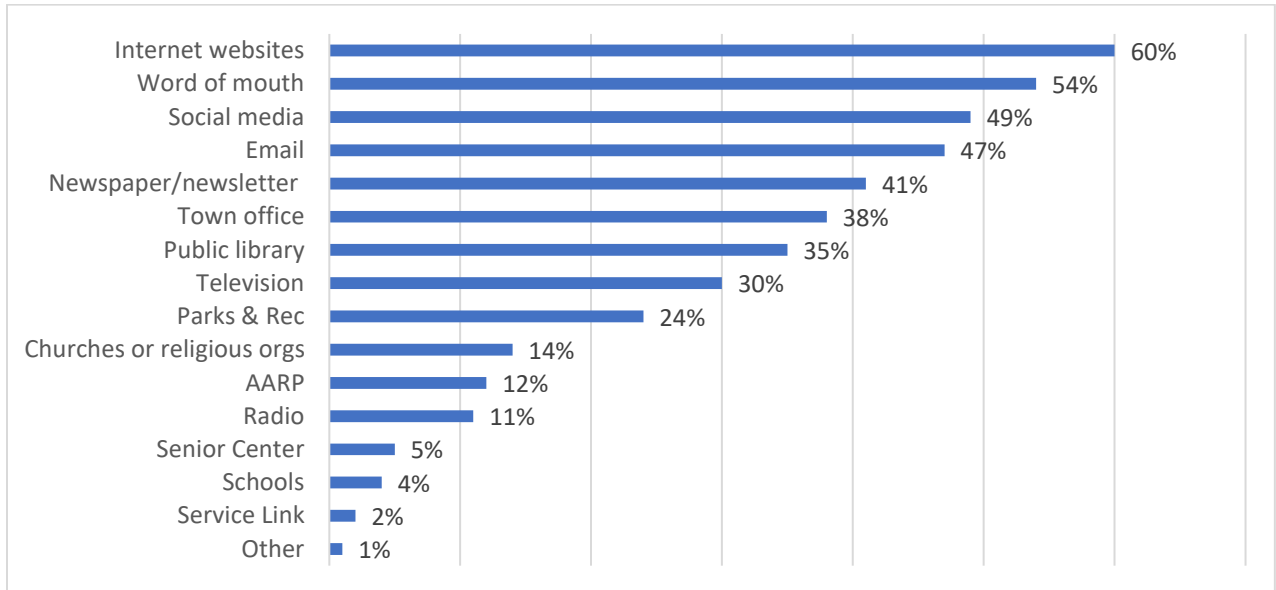
Question 22: If you don't eat balanced meals as often as you would like or feel you should, why not? (check all that apply)



Question 23: Which if any of the following challenges have you or your household faced due to COVID19? (check all that apply)



Question 24: How do you get information about services or events in your community? (Check all that apply)

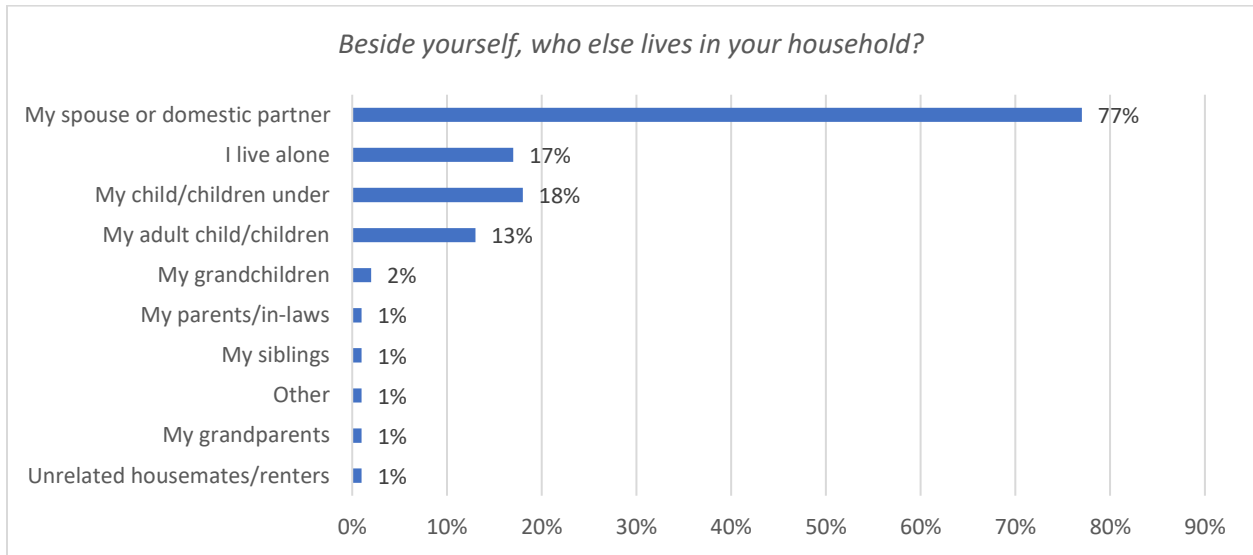


Question 25: Which of the following do you use in your community?

	I use	Available, I don't use	Not available	Not sure if available
Volunteer/ community service opportunities	26%	39%	1%	34%
Trails, conservation land, natural areas	69%	30%	0%	1%
Playgrounds, ball fields, swimming pools	29%	61%	4%	6%
Sidewalks and bike paths	13%	29%	44%	14%
Concerts, dances, socials	8%	17%	25%	50%
Veterans services	5%	22%	11%	62%
Restaurants/coffee shops/stores	90%	7%	2%	2%
Fitness centers, exercise classes, rec sports	20%	48%	5%	27%
Community centers, Boys & Girls Club, YMCA (youth, young adult, family)	9%	18%	39%	34%
Senior center or activities for older adults	7%	38%	31%	24%
Social/civic groups (book clubs, garden clubs, Lions, Kiwanis, VFW)	17%	67%	3%	13%
Continuing education/ learning opportunities	13%	42%	16%	29%
Churches or other places of worship	48%	50%	2%	0%
Food pantry	7%	84%	0%	9%
Town welfare office	5%	75%	2%	18%
Internet access at public locations (library, town hall)	24%	62%	2%	11%
Libraries	24%	62%	2%	11%

Question 26: How satisfied are you with town services in Stratham? (Full comment summary in Appendix)

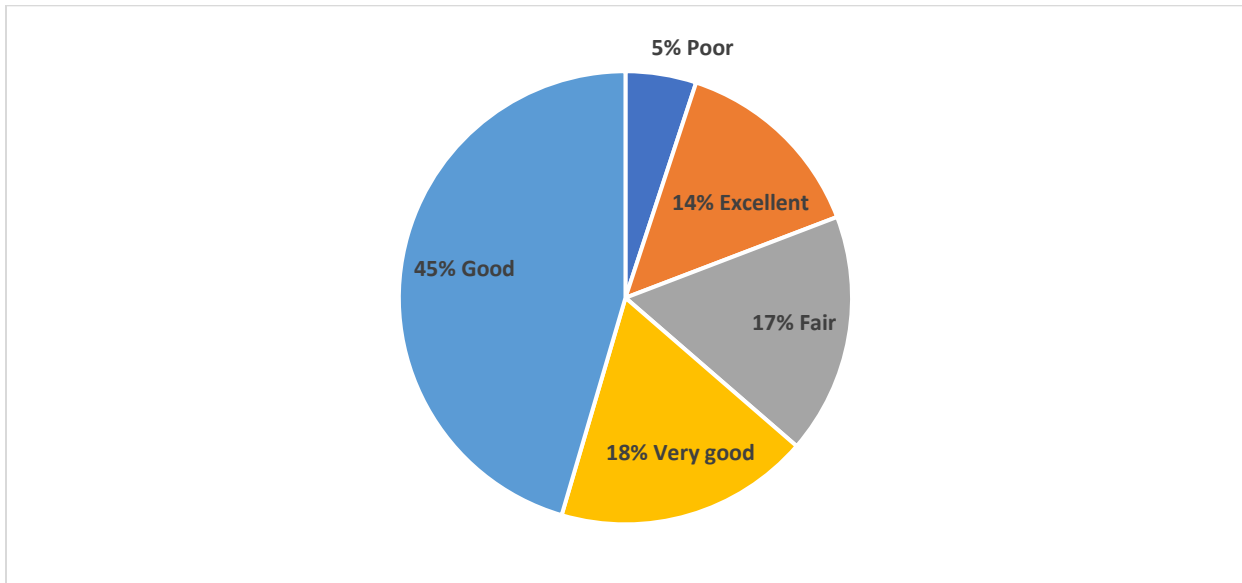
Question 27: Besides yourself, how else lives in your household? (check all that apply).



The majority of survey respondents (77%) indicated that they live with a spouse or domestic partner. 17% live alone.

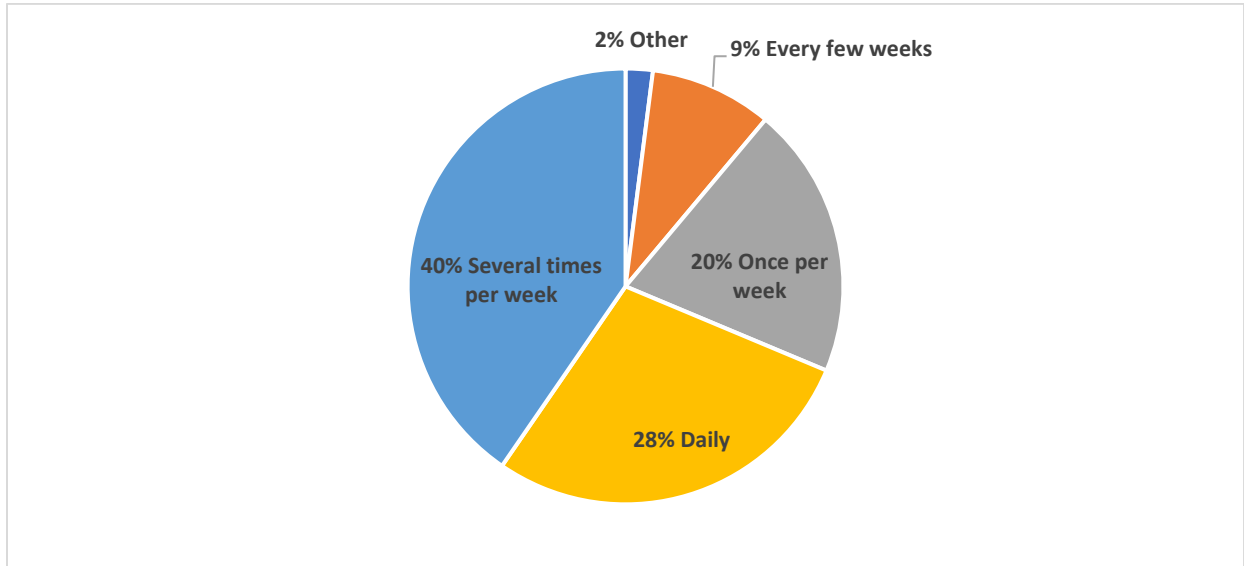
Question 28: How would you rate your social life?

Most survey respondents rated their social lives as “good,” or “very good.”



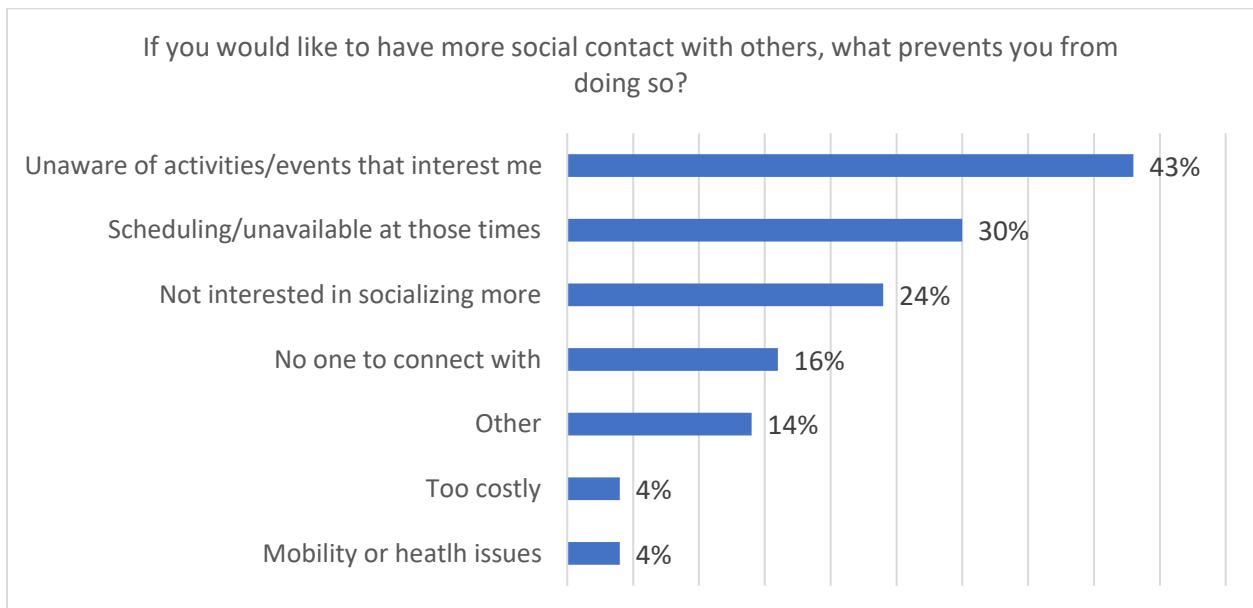
Question 29: How often do you have contact with family, friends or neighbors who do not live with you?

Most survey respondents indicated that they have contact with family, friends, or neighbors who do not live with them several times per week (40%) with 28% indicating they have daily contact with others who do not live with them.



Question 30: If you would like to have more social contact with others, what prevents you from doing so? (check all that apply).

Most survey respondents identified lack of knowledge or awareness on activities or events (43%) as well as scheduling and timing (30%) as the top barriers that prevents them from socializing with others.

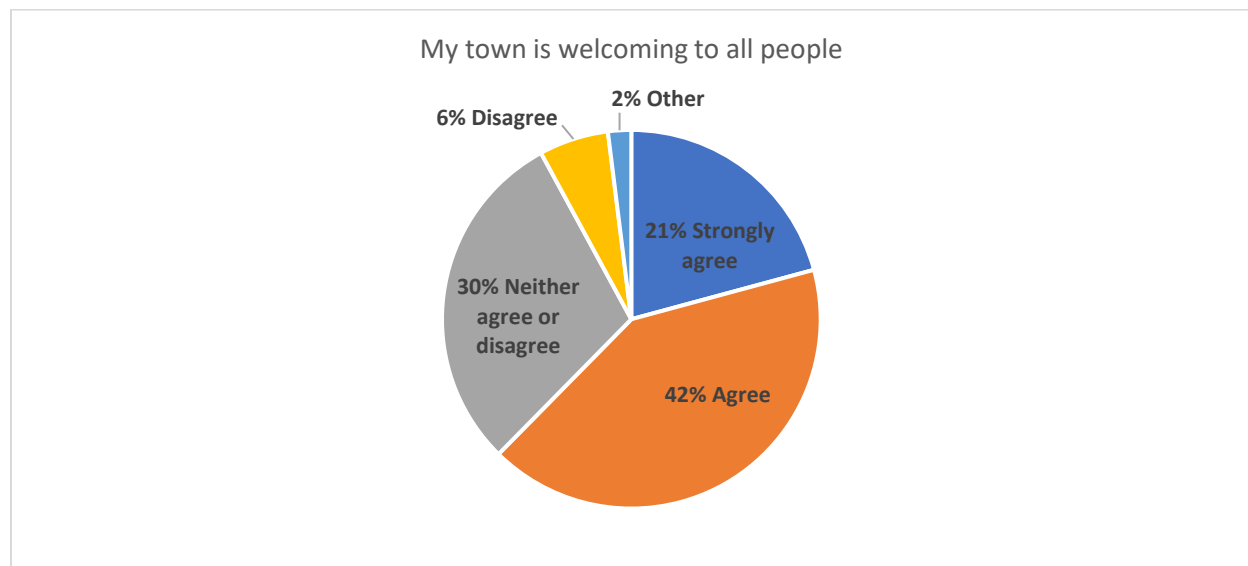


Question 31: Do you feel accepted in your town with regard to:

Most survey respondents feel accepted in Stratham regarding spirituality or religious affiliation, political views, age, sexuality, gender identify, race or ethnicity and economic status.

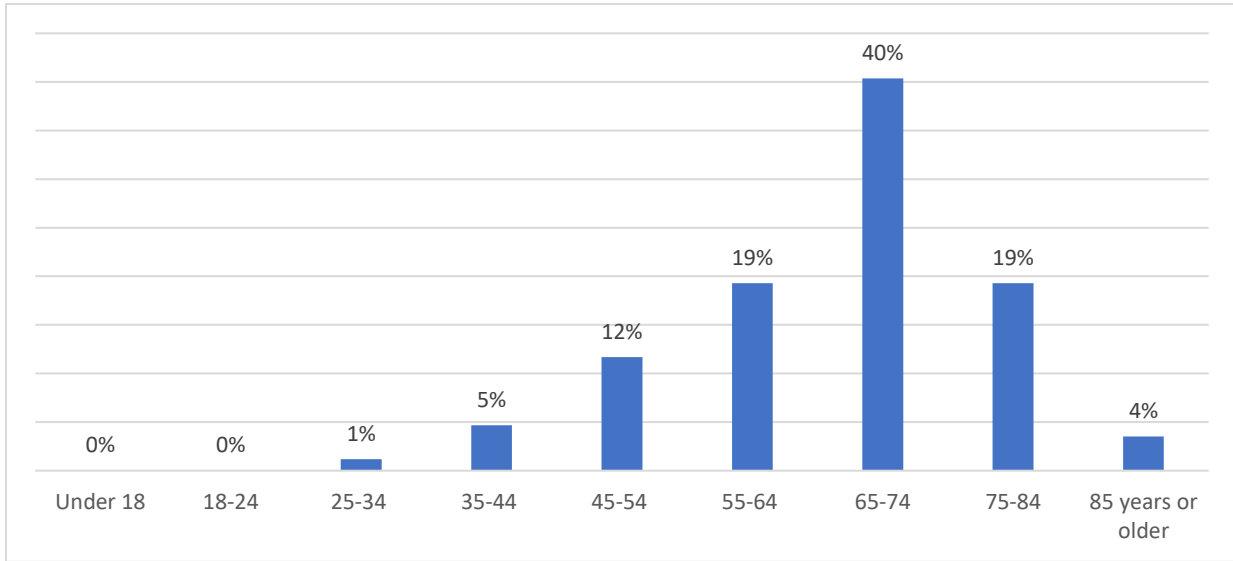
	Yes	Somewhat	No	N/A
Spirituality or religious affiliation	53%	12%	4%	32%
Political views	42%	38%	6%	14%
Age	64%	25%	5%	6%
Sexuality	69%	7%	2%	23%
Gender Identity	68%	6%	2%	24%
Race and ethnicity	76%	5%	1%	18%
Economic status	70%	15%	2%	12%

Question 32: My town is welcoming to all people



Most survey respondents indicated that Stratham is welcoming to all people (42%). However, a significant number of respondents had no opinion (30%).

Question 33: What is your age?

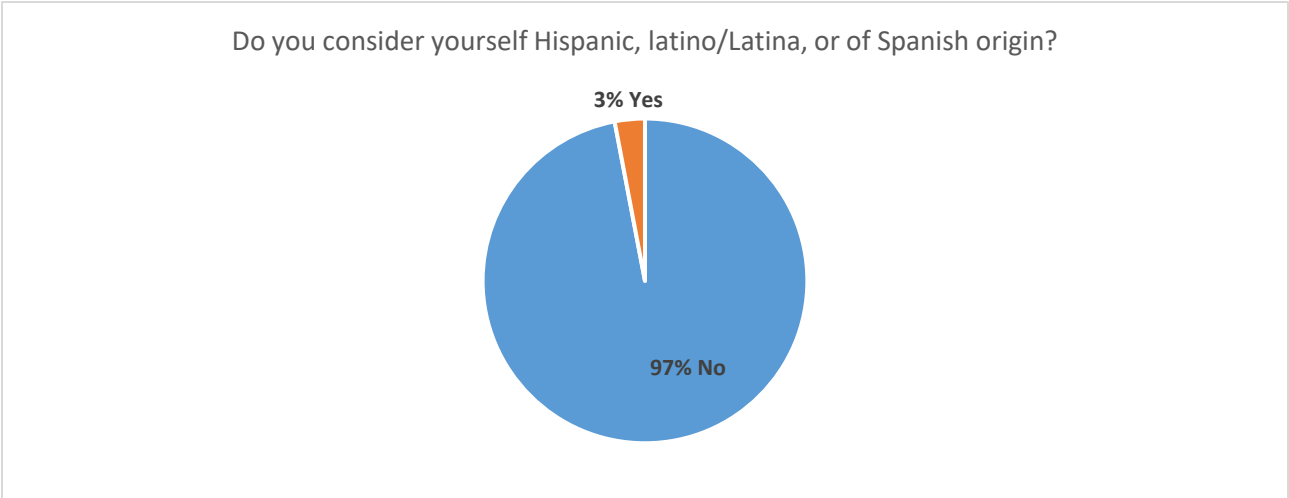


The majority of survey respondents were ages 65-74 years old (40%).

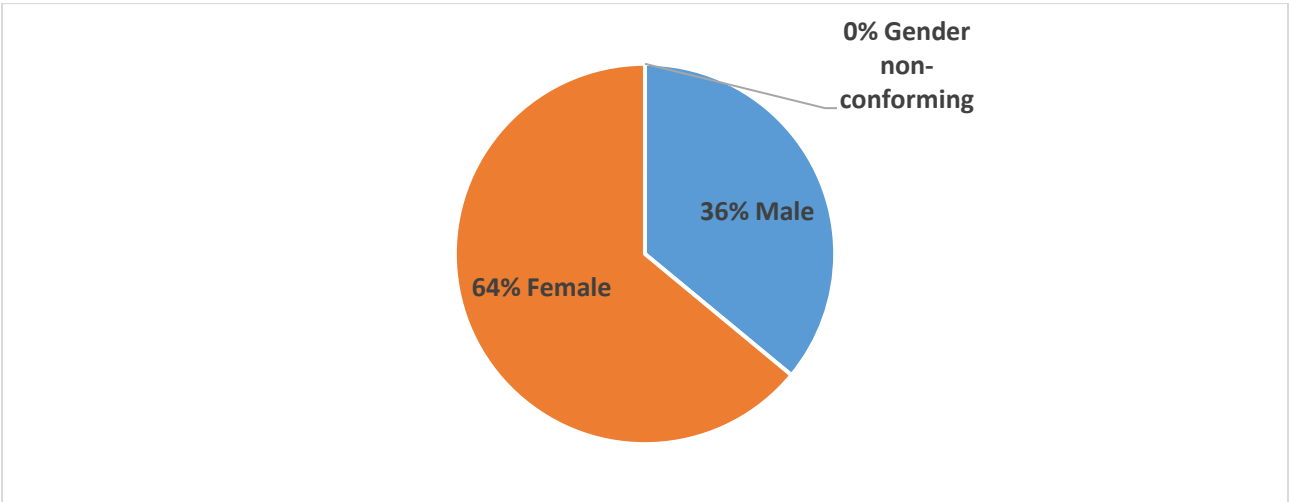
Question 34: What race(s) do you identify with? (Check all that apply)

What is your race?	
White	97%
Other	2%
American Indian or Alaska Native	1%
Asian	1%
Black or African American	0%
Native hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0%
Middle Eastern or North African	0%

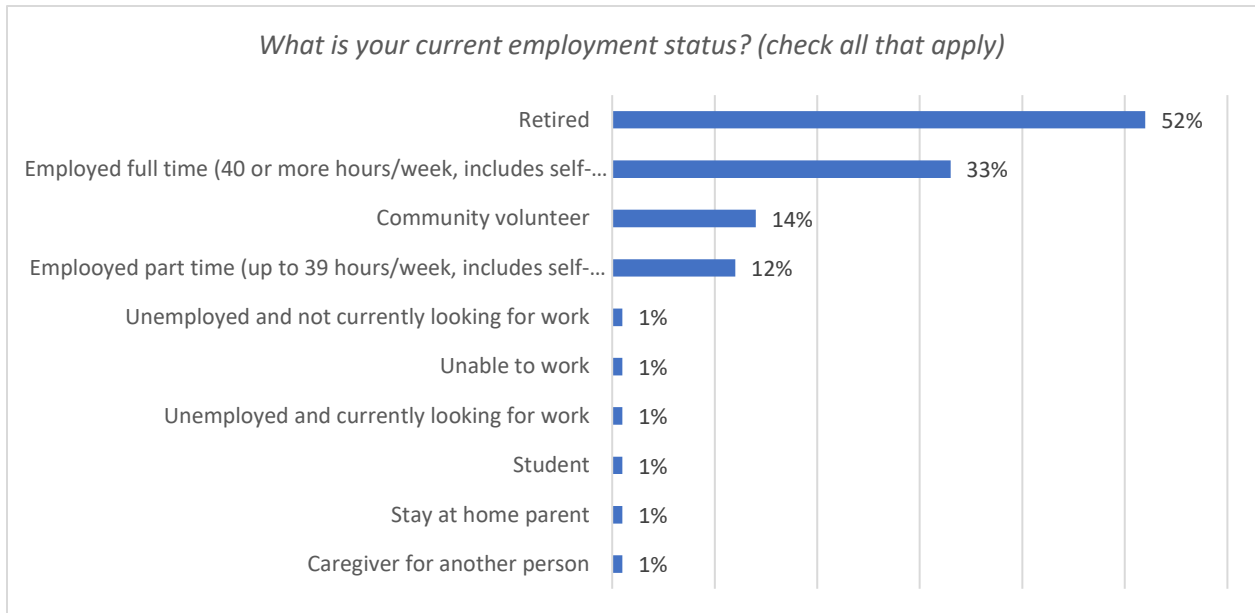
Question 35: Do you consider yourself Hispanic, Latino/Latina, or of Spanish origin?



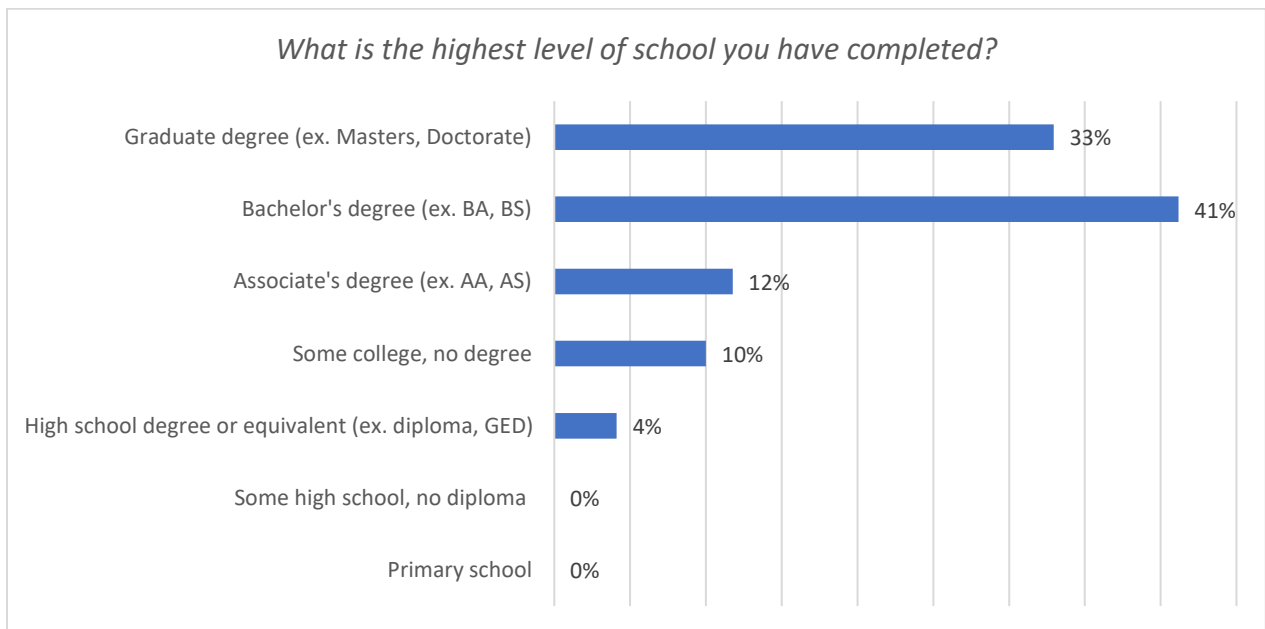
Question 36: What is your gender?



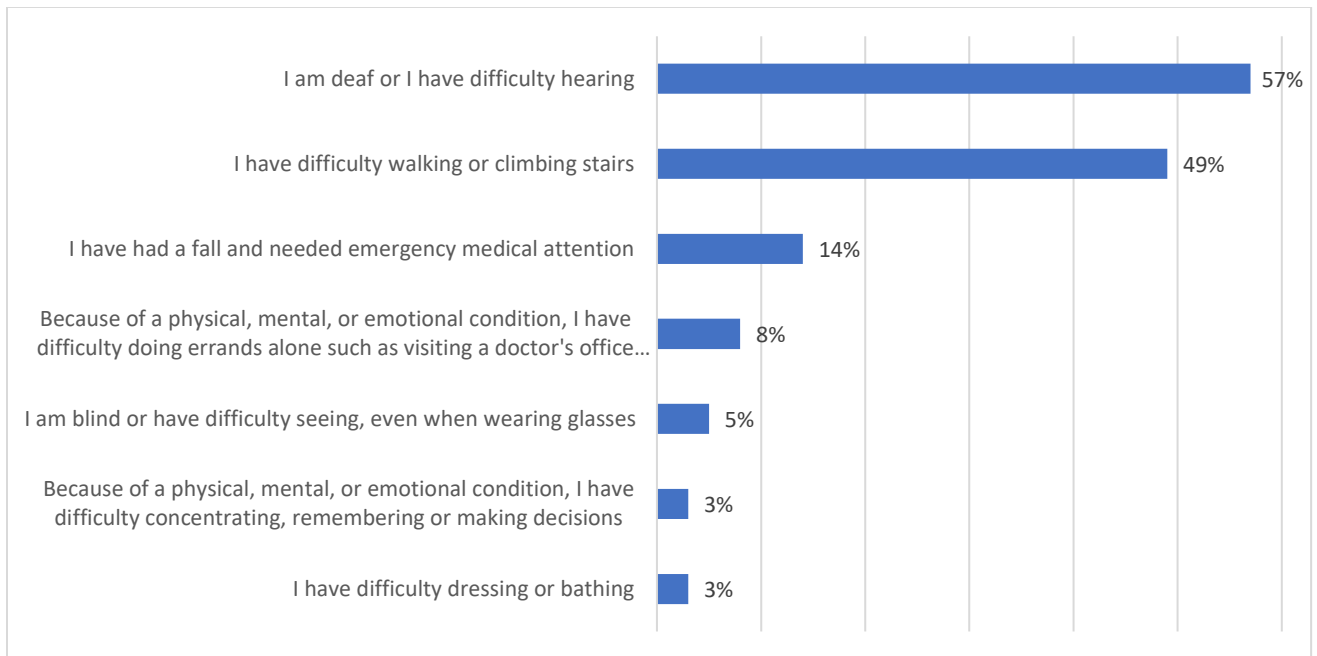
Question 37: What is your current employment status? (check all that apply)



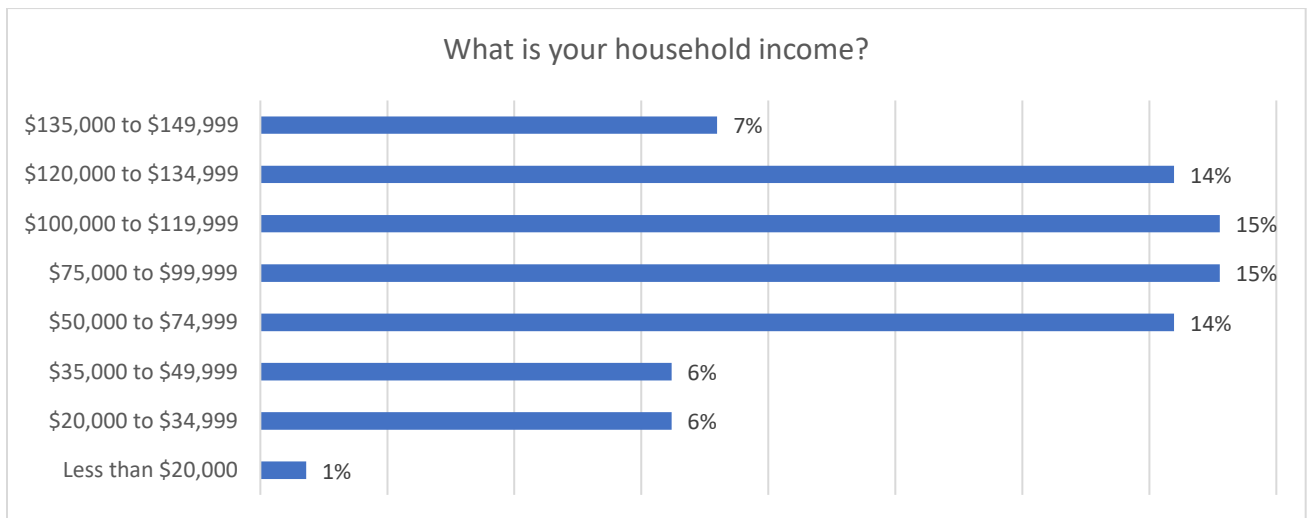
Question 38: What is the highest degree or level of school you have completed? (If you are currently enrolled in school, please indicate the level of study completed so far).



Question 39: Please check all that apply to you:



Question 40: What is your household income?



Question 41: Do you have any additional comments about aging and livability in your town or the broader region? (Full comment summary at end of the report).

Survey Comments

Question 8) Regarding the concerns you noted in the previous question, what changes would help?

1. As I haven't yet had need, I don't know if this exists but a central office/senior center with all the information needed to live in Stratham safely and conveniently as I age and a walkable living situation with shopping and recreational and social activities.
2. Town staff who specialize in senior services.
3. Geography can't be helped, global warming notwithstanding!
4. Available shopping/appointment transportation, affordable in house services
5. Multiple level assisted living
6. Programs and activities for retired folks, travel, or event programs with transportation. I am very physically active and able but also look 10-15 years ahead transportation need then, and possibly in-home services would be important
7. More social outreach, a community center for seniors
8. A center devoted to senior citizens encouraging fitness, creativity, travel, dancing, education and healthy activities like hikes, walks and pickle ball. I have been waiting to get in a class in Stratham for five years!
9. Over 55 condo & HOA community residents pay the same taxes as other residents but receive less services. As the value of retirement savings dwindle, we have to pay to have our streets plowed and maintained. This is age discrimination. We are not a drain on the school systems and do much volunteer work. We should receive the same service as other residents or tax credits in value to serviced we do not receive. There should be a vibrant senior center where older adults can socialize and participate in age-appropriate activities together. Stratham offers very little of this.
10. Being sure our town and country adhere to the US Constitution and that we retain freedom of speech for all. Not allowing socialism and/or communism into our country. Allowing only legal immigration and not allowing illegal immigration. Allowing only legal residents to vote. Ensuring the integrity of our voting system.
11. Income and Age-related housing options
12. Transportation options
13. Having public transportations would help to seek resources older people need.
14. Ensuring taxes don't continue to go through the roof.
15. Stratham is getting old, stingy, and in supportive of anyone that's not old and well off. They don't support sidewalks, kids' programs, skate parks, schools, any new Facilities. They do supper trash cans, and senior centers. I would not raise my children here if I chose to do it again. Other young communities are kinder such as Exeter, Dover, Hampton, Portsmouth. It's unfortunate. Such a great town with potential. But everyone feels selfish at town meeting. Maybe it's the governance style.
16. Reasonably priced transportation. Right now, I drive. When I'm eventually unable to drive, I have no idea how I'll get to stores, medical appointments, entertainment, recreation, etc.

17. There is a shortage of experienced family doctors for elderly as we have tried to find physicians for over 2 years but are forced to keep our GP in MA almost 1 hour away.
18. Retirement/assisted living/nursing home facility if needed
19. I've found that having a social network is important to engaging the mind and body in a fun and healthy way. Example is the community that comes together multiple days a week to play pickleball at all levels. Just one example to enhance community.
20. The high property taxes are a worry for us.
21. Volunteers to assist with driving or taking me shopping, to a MD appt or take me to the beach.
22. I don't think the Town can do much about in home care. And without water/sewer in the commercial district suitable housing near to shopping and restaurants is not going to happen.
23. Affordable one floor housing with grounds (for walking and some gardening and looking at) and attached garage. Not in a large apartment building or next to a highway. Low-cost transportation options for shopping purposes, appointments, going to library or church etc.
24. Day out programs with nursing on site for seniors with dementia and other needs so spouse/ family members can receive some respite time during the day
25. Finding affordable housing - smaller properties cost more than sale of existing property. Maintain 1.5 acres of current property and winter weather.
26. Social opportunities for the handicapped
27. Reduction in real estate taxes for retirees based on their 1099 only.
28. Local bus stops connecting with Amtrak trains and Portsmouth buses.
29. public transportation
30. Affordable housing and accessibility of safe, reliable transportation remain issues for the entire Seacoast, including Stratham.
31. I suspect I'll remain in my large family home because of lack of appropriate housing for seniors. I am not in a position to afford a facility such as Riverwoods. Public transportation is essentially nonexistent in the Stratham area.
32. More focus from the town on the elderly (Rec Department)
33. Greater systems to make folks aware and that such services exist.
34. Lack of sidewalks and biking lanes to stay active
35. higher and more generous elderly tax exemption
36. Transportation options for the elderly.
37. Same struggle with everyone with bridging health insurance- the town could offer a group healthcare plan for residents over 50. Hopefully, that would secure a better rate and Stratham could offer to help fund if possible. Offer group trips for older people that need accommodations.
38. The town of Stratham needs to offer elderly housing for those who want to move out of their larger homes and stay within the community they raised their families. Stop building million-dollar homes.

39. Lower my property taxes. I'm on a fixed income and Stratham has high taxes.
40. Please keep and expand accessible green space like SHP. Venues that all ages can gather and enjoy. STOP building cluster drop down subdivisions
41. Having these services more affordable for seniors
42. Unfortunately, you can't increase family in the area. Keeping the town popular with the young adults might get the kids to settle back home eventually.
43. More social activities for seniors
44. A place for long term residents to live when they can no longer maintain a single-family home. This option needs to be really affordable.
45. Transportation most of all
46. senior reduction on taxes
47. there is no affordable public transportation readily available. senior housing is far too costly.
48. The town doesn't have sidewalks to allow walking or biking safely. You have to be able to drive to get to a gyn.
49. No real senior services are currently available in Stratham!
50. Making it easier for older adults to stay in their home safely and at decreased cost
51. Good transportation options are crucial to being able to maintain social activities and access to shopping and medical care
52. I'm not aware of which services may be currently available for seniors
53. Letting people add-on to their first floor living space. Adding safe transportation from Stratham to Portsmouth and to Exeter. Having active senior groups in town - senior book club, a memory cafe, a walking or yoga club, social events that aren't tied to churches, etc.
54. no changes in services provided by the Town would help except for a change in property tax structure for elderly residents
55. lower tax rate for seniors, like why should we pay for kids schooling when we don't have kids anymore
56. Decreasing cost of in-home support services, access to public transportation vehicles within neighborhoods
57. Decreasing cost of in-home support services, access to public transportation vehicles within neighborhoods one second ago
58. Affordable housing! Rentals and house prices are unreasonable and outrageous. As we get older and fixed incomes become a reality, housing becomes a real concern.
59. Allowing additional businesses to help lower taxes
60. Having a sidewalk from O'Brien's down to Exeter sidewalks along Portsmouth Avenue
61. Community center / library availability
62. Recently moved to the Stratham area, choose this area and state because of the natural environmental beauty. In our previous state, we saw open land developed into endless Targets, Walmarts, fast-food establishments, strip malls and car dealerships. Please realize the land in the seacoast area and all of New Hampshire needs to be protected. When we receive the Stratham magazine, the cover is always featuring nature. Careful - protect your natural resources now and for the future.

63. Stratham has no center. Opportunities to meet people is challenging unless you have children.
64. A few times a week having transportation to get around. More social events too.
65. We aren't going to be able to afford living here, the taxes will drain any money we have. As we pass the magical age of 65 we need affordable housing in town so that we can stay here. We won't be able to otherwise.
66. Housing affordability would be the number one change. As housing gets more unaffordable for working middle class in Stratham, I'm concerned about the cost once I am on a fixed income
67. More transportation options (mini-vans or smaller buses to provide a way for seniors to attend cultural, historical, entertainment, and scenic places of interest)
68. More senior housing, community activities, transportation
69. Tax break for senior citizens
70. Having affordable in-home support services
71. Some kind of break on taxes for seniors
72. Having a stronger senior center would help.
73. more access to public transportation
74. Making free or low-cost transportation for wheelchair or just old people to doctor or grocery shopping.
75. Self-driving vehicles. More organizations of volunteer drivers like TASC. A national immigration policy that allows workers to enter the country who are willing to do in-home support services.
76. Organized on-call Services for rides to appts, grocery delivery, increase senior exercise programs, create cozy gathering space for senior center.
77. Having easily accessed public transportation.
78. Transportation options are very important for folks who cannot drive any longer.
79. Highly rated school system to keep family here
80. Reasonably priced yard maintenance help, ride to doctor appointments, building of smaller homes in area
81. Better communications/information about the availability of in-home support services in Stratham.
82. Do not add sidewalks in town. If people want sidewalks go one town over to Exeter, or two towns over to a bigger town Portsmouth
83. More affordable housing for young (20-30) and older (70-0n) More community programs for all ages. More transportation options. Having more recreation areas- for nature walks , swimming, exercise classes.
84. Affordable housing for seniors, more senior activities provided,and transportation.
85. Build a town center with walkable retail, medical, and health/beauty services. Offer a tax structure to shelter the aging population as they no longer have children in school.
86. Having a local outlet where these services can be accessed meaning, not in Exeter or surrounding towns: here in Stratham.

87. Stratham offers very little of these services
88. Affordable senior housing. Public transportation
89. Converting vacant school in 33 to elderly housing!
90. Homes for aging in place.
91. being able to contact a service for rides when needed to grocery store and doctor appointments
92. Offer subsidized living expenses and discounts to the elderly population
93. Having vans/buses available to transport seniors to various sections of town for medical appointments, food shopping, restaurants, social events, etc
94. Pricing of homes currently is currently not helping younger people/parents get into this community to put down roots and raise their families. My friends were looking at nearby towns to move to because they are having a child and want to purchase a home and Stratham is out of their price range. We are not seeing an influx of younger people in the town near us in order to make friends with. There's a large influx of older folks everywhere around Stratham.
95. State supported in home medical services and yard care
96. Elderly with a savings for retirement should have a much larger allotment for reduction of tax liability. The costs of just maintenance of a home, especially an older one, can wipe out the savings or retirement funds. If the funds are used for necessary repairs, the taxes go up. It's a no win situation. No wonder the homes of the elderly are allowed to just deteriorate.
97. Senior one level housing Transportation
98. None at this time
99. Central place to get info on in-home support services and recreational/social opportunities on town website and inside town hall.
100. Affordable home services
101. Providing public transportation or a volunteer-based transportation service would help older residents significantly.
102. Better transportation options
103. Access to affordable in-home services. Ensuring that I could get public transportation to grocery stores, doctor appointments, and community activities.
104. This area is expensive. More affordable options
105. Knowing there are trained people to come into our home to provide care. I have thought of the possibility of having a program at the Tech School in Exeter specifically offering a degree in providing home care. Transportation to appointments.
106. Knowing there is a plan to provide the services about which I am concerned.
107. Reliable public transportation for seniors.
108. Affordable one story over 55 housing
109. More transportation options.

110.	I would like the option to have a smaller footprint. A smaller home with less land that is financially attainable. As a homeowner with no children, I would like to see a tax credit for older ppl with no children.
111.	Public transportation
112.	Available and affordable transportation and in-home services
113.	Stratham is a young family community. It does not cater to an older generation holistically. I am in my 50s and already feel like a stranger in my own neighborhood after 22 years, due to an influx of young families. This is the natural course of a neighborhood community, in my opinion. I would not waste any town money on trying to create a senior community. It does not have either the population or the infrastructure. It has been a wonderful community to raise my kids, but is not the place I would ever choose to retire, as I would anticipate a very lonely life doing so.
114.	Affordable multi-family housing. Pedestrian-Ofriendly walking and biking routes.
115.	Public transportation
116.	Senior living facility within Stratham, availability to secure in-home assistance
117.	housing close to amenities and medical care
118.	I'm just not aware of what all is available for older people other than Stratham Hill Park
119.	Lower cost of health insurance
120.	Sidewalks along Portsmouth Ave

Question 15) Are there places in town you'd like to walk to but can't access by sidewalk or trail?

1.	One of the problems with my housing location is that there aren't any shopping or recreational activities in walking distance
2.	No (21 total)
3.	most are only accessible by driving. Stratham hill is accessible but crossing 33 on foot is risky.
4.	Everywhere!!!
5.	Route 33 / Portsmouth ave in Stratham needs sidewalks. Not safe to walk on side of road
6.	Yes. Very few sidewalks make walking more difficult, especially in poor weather conditions.
7.	Stratham Hill Park
8.	Walking with small children or pets is scary
9.	All!
10.	Yes. Scamman conservation land was closed despite the town purchase. It is against the CR to close it but they do what they want and the town goes along with it.
11.	No, my home abuts the park and town center

12. Stratham is not set up like Exeter or Portsmouth. We didn't move here to "walk to town". We wanted the rural town it was.
13. There are no sidewalks where I live
14. Because there are few sidewalks in town, I find it necessary to drive to other towns (Exeter) to walk or to some of the developments in Stratham to walk safely.
15. Not at present
16. Retail shops grocery stores reataurants
17. There are no sidewalks in Stratham
18. EVERYWHERE!!
19. there are no sidewalks in my neighborhood - cars always driving 10-15 mph above 35mph speed limit. dangerous to bicycle
20. We don't have a "downtown" and trails are too difficult for me.
21. Waterfront
22. Stratham has few sidewalks. I've walked from the municipal building to downtown Exeter and it is a dangerous and very unpleasant walk the entire length.
23. Not sure
24. The whole town.
25. Main roads
26. squamscott road/winnicutt road/bunker hill/lovell
27. Everywhere
28. When we finally have a town center, it would be helpful to extend the sidewalk system out toward trails they can meet up with them
29. Yes, Stratham Hill Park. The town of Stratham is divided by a major highway and access is NOT provided to cross safely to our amazing park.
30. My Own Road
31. Need safer cycle access throughout
32. My own street
33. Yes
34. There are no sidewalks on most of the roads.
35. Where are the sidewalks in Stratham? I can't say I have seen any
36. n/a - I drive
37. Town Offices, Library, Grocery stores
38. We don't have sidewalks in 95%of the town.
39. EVERYWHERE

40. the grocery store, bank
41. Depot road needs a sidewalk on one side. So dangerous walking now.
42. Guinea Road!
43. Bunker Hill Ave is busy enough to need a sidewalk and people drive faster on the road than they should.
44. Bunker Hill Ave
45. There are only the "sidewalks to nowhere" in Stratham town center, no sidewalks anywhere else. Route 33 is way too dangerous to walk or ride a bike, in my opinion, especially at 67 yrs. old!
46. I like walking a lot so I go to the Park every day, sometimes 2-3 times a day.
47. It would be fantastic to have a sidewalk from O'Briens all the way to Exeter and some cross walks across Portsmouth ave would be helpful.
48. Yes, I would like to be able to walk safely along Portsmouth Ave and part of 33 (up to O'Briens or Barker's farm stand)
49. No real walking destinations except Stratham Hill Park
50. Yes
51. We do not have sidewalks in our town.
52. There is no public sidewalks in Stratham
53. Yes, there are town parks and shopping areas that I would like to walk to, but the traffic and lack of sidewalks or trails makes that dangerous to do.
54. FROM HOME TO DOWNTOWN
55. Lots. I love walking but it doesn't feel very safe in Stratham because of the lack of sidewalks.
56. around the backroads in the area, without having to worry about fast / distracted/ drivers
57. no. rural zoning = no sidewalks. If I wanted walkability I would have moved to a different location.
58. Many roads don't have sidewalks and it would be nice to have some.
59. Road sides not enough shoulders for comfortable walking or Biking.
60. Yes. A sidewalk from Emery Ln to Market Basket would be a nice addition
61. We should increase walkability of Stratham, including adding sidewalks where possible.
62. most side roads do not have sidewalks
63. None. I can get everywhere without sidewalks
64. Farms and shopping.
65. We don't have a proper sidewalk system in our town. My husband walks for exercise daily and is required to walk in the street (winnicut, high streets). The one sidewalk we have in town goes no where and ends abruptly. Why not continue the sidewalk to the shopping plazas and install proper crosswalks at the lights on Rt 33? I'd love to see Winnicutt widened to safely allow for walking and bike travel. Currently, It's treacherous, I've almost gotten hit by a car. It's awful.

66. Many of Stratham's side roads are too narrow to ride a bike on safely. Many motorists care less about the clearance rule. I have been struck by mirrors on vehicles twice on Bunker Hill ave and many more times on Winnicutt road. There just isn't enough room and the shoulder is in most cases a deep drop-off which is dangerous for cycle enthusiasts.
67. Yes, nearby elementary school
68. Stratham Hill Park. The library.
69. Up and down Portsmouth Ave. from the Exeter line to Stratham Hill Park. Up and down Bunker Hill Ave.
70. Up and down Portsmouth Ave. from the Exeter line to Stratham Hill Park. Up and down Bunker Hill Ave. Very dangerous walking without sidewalks.
71. Everywhere residential. Walking around neighborhoods or on main streets (Stratham Heights Road) is treacherous
72. High Street
73. Almost everywhere
74. I live off Rte. 108 but am not comfortable walking or jogging on 108
75. Portsmouth Ave. Bunker Hill.
76. Live too far away to walk to places and too much traffic
77. None that affect me at present.
78. Bunker Hill but no side walks
79. The Post Office
80. Main roads would be so much more conducive to safely walking if there were sidewalks or even a bike trail.
81. [respondent left blank]
82. No walking trails to access the food shopping in Stratham, must walk along 33/108
83. Stratham Hill Park, everything else is too far to walk
84. There are places I would like to ride a bike but not safe-e.g., route 33
85. Yes, along Portsmouth Ave

26) How satisfied are you with town services in Stratham (Parks & Recreation, Library, Town Administration, Planning & Zoning, Police, etc.)? Where could the town improve?

1. Not sure since I haven't really been going anywhere or mixing with other people for 2 years now. Covid safety is of paramount importance since I have young grandchildren not old enough to be vaccinated and also want to be mindful of other vulnerable people.
2. Good work

3. Senior services. There is nothing.
4. Town Hall is functional, and staff are great, but the building is embarrassingly ugly. The library staff and collection is excellent, but again, the building could really use some work. Police are excellent but they seem to cluster on Rt 108/33.
5. fairly satisfied
6. more online classes, workshops....and in person, as Covid becomes less of a concern
7. Fair. They cater mostly to young children
8. Very satisfied. Could use proper walking along 33 and/or bike paths. Traffic very close to side of road and very fast.
9. Offer more senior activities. Provide better meeting spaces and services.
10. Need more than a few classes and a small meeting place. Ideal: an indoor pool, senior center with creative classes.
11. Limited for age groups
12. Stratham hill park trails are wonderful.
13. Very satisfied with Stratham Town services
14. The rec program is one of the strongest elements of the town. That and SHP.
15. Satisfied
16. Good town. What happened to senior center?
17. Seem to do a good job or try to offer services. As our town population grows older we are definitely going to need retirement facilities that are reasonably affordable.
18. Excellent but would love to have a few dedicated pickleball courts for outdoor play and social gatherings.
19. I am happy with the town; I am just concerned when I cannot drive. I have an eye disease.
20. Would like places to walk, too dangerous along Rte. 33, could have more Senior programs
21. Generally the town is doing a good job. Recognizing and protecting historic houses etc. has improved. I do not like that Stratham has become a place for people with above average incomes.
22. The Parks & Recreation Department in Stratham has done an excellent job of increasing activities for Seniors in the area (EX. the weekly Art class). In terms of town improvement, I have mentioned on several occasion that there is a lack of affordable housing for Seniors in Stratham. The recent development that was built at Rollins Farm was originally designed to be single family condos that would be within a reasonable price range. What resulted was \$600-700K homes that were purchased by folks from MA and surrounding communities...virtually none of us in Stratham who had seen this as a possible answer to our housing needs were able to take advantage of it. Sadly, we have not seen any movement in that area.
23. Have enjoyed a few trips for seniors... Portland symphony, King Arthur baking, etc. Would like to see more of these available and advertised more widely.
24. Satisfied. Planning for future balanced growth

25. Fair. The Town Taxes \$\$\$ and winter weather are factors that will force us to move out of state
26. Satisfied
27. I would like to receive emails regarding senior activities.
28. Those department's employees and volunteers seem to me to be committed to their mission. Parks and Recreation have been very helpful to me when I've inquired.
29. satisfied, but speed limit on RT33 could be better enforced.
30. Very satisfied in general.
31. Services are very good for the size of our community.
32. More communication
33. Access to affordable childcare and preschool options
34. Very
35. The town could improve by changing zoning on parts of Portsmouth Ave to mixed use. The town could improve by having more basketball courts or not covering the only one with an ice rink every winter. The town could improve by not allowing pickup game gym use for any/every group of adults (usually 2 or fewer) over organized youth teams in tournaments and in ranked leagues at SMS. The town could improve with a rec center and youth association. The town could improve with a full-time fire department. The town could improve by offering a higher elderly tax exemption.
36. Create pedestrian friendly and bike friendly major roadways.
37. I hate the amount of salt that is dumped on the roads in Stratham, especially dead-end roads, there's often a pile left. It's wasteful and really bad for the environment. I look forward to having a small-town center, and I look forward to it slowing the amount of traffic coming down 33 from 101.
38. They need to improve communication. I find it difficult to find answers on the town's website.
39. Love the Rec Dept. Unfortunately, the activities that interest me are mostly during normal working hours
40. Wish there were more senior opportunities. I am happy with the town services that we have.
41. Need more activities, classes, bus trips etc. for retired adults.
42. Grow the current commercial district (allow water & sewer in that zone) and stop pushing commerce into the residential areas.
43. Very satisfied, library is especially great. Would appreciate some focus on families and children more. Many adults with children do not have as much time for some of the town gatherings and planning due to the town meeting style governance and therefore there is more representation from seniors than working people with children.
44. They do a good job with family/child type activities. Would like to see more adult activities like day trips around the state.
45. The library is amazing. I have not used others because of Covid. The town needs to improve the safety of the roads. Speeding is a problem, and the sides of the roads are narrow to safely walk on.
46. I believe town service-providers in Stratham do a good job.

47. Need improvement to provide services to the senior community.
48. Just moved here so not certain
49. SATISFIED.
50. The town does a great job of providing services to the residents. A Senior Center was being developed just before Covid hit our area. More activities there need to be planned. There is much for children-sports, etc.-but needs to be more for adults and seniors.
51. Very satisfied.
52. Senior citizens need their own center with active and just check out what is offered in Newmarket or Pelham senior centers.
53. I am satisfied. Parks & Rec and Library communicate well via email to the community.
54. very satisfied
55. Pretty satisfied.
56. I've lived in Stratham for over 40 yrs and used to be a homeowner, now I rent an apartment in Stratham. I hope to always live here but I'm concerned about housing becoming to expensive without many options.
57. Town needs to do better job with access to businesses via walking and crossing roads, sidewalks and crosswalks are very much needed on Portsmouth Ave, from circle to Exeter town line.
58. I would like biking maps and I really enjoy the library online
59. Reasonably satisfied. Don't want higher taxes.
60. Excellent library in Stratham. A small, but effectively organized offering of books/materials for any age or interest. Impressed by the library's successful efforts to write for grants and then receive the awards. Recently move to Stratham. Staff at City Hall were welcoming and made the transition easy. The mailed newsletter is informative. Appreciate the emails from Stratham. Clearly written and provides clear and concise information about what is happening. Shows earnest attempts at transparency.
61. There are probably more activities happening, I am not aware of. From the things I do know there is a variety of family and senior activities that do happen.
62. No time
63. The town could provide more transportation opportunities for seniors. Having sidewalks and walking trails would help people to get outside whenever they want without fear of traffic. Having more social events for seniors to get together would be great.
64. Great town!!
65. The services are great. We need sidewalks for safety and for a positive way to impact health.
66. Give seniors a discount on property taxes. Not happy with the way they snowplow my street.
67. Town is well run
68. fine

69. There is next to nothing for activities in Stratham
70. Well satisfied.
71. COMMUNICATION
72. As a senior single, I don't have much occasion to use these services.
73. very satisfied
74. More non sport related options for children
75. Senior trips, luncheons
76. Town Services are awesome. Key people are in the right spots, and they care about what they do with the community and who it impacts.
77. The town offices are located on a side street that makes it difficult (safety-wise) to get back on the Main Street particularly when events are occurring. There is no traffic light to help. Occasionally (thankfully) they will hire the police to help drivers get in/out of the road the town offices are located on. Regarding the town forest, I've been using that property for almost 20 years, the trails are much better and well maintained but the removal of trees is awful. It used to look like a natural forest. Now it looks like humans tore it apart. It's a shame. I'd like to see fun activities both during the day and in the evening so that people who work or not can enjoy the town parks and social activities. It's usually daytime oriented.
78. The services available are nearly always excellent here. Well-tended and maintained and always innovating, looking for a "better way" to make public access nicer.
79. Stratham provides very good town services, except when it comes to seniors.
80. very satisfied. Great library
81. Satisfied
82. Seems satisfactory
83. Very Satisfied. There are many events that happen at the Stratham Hill Park and generally the parks in the area are well-kept and maintained. The library is sufficient for the community. And I have never had any issues with the town or planning or police.
84. Town hall staff are great
85. Outstanding
86. Fairly satisfied. Town is growing very rapidly.
87. More walking areas besides track at town hall complex and SHP.
88. Very satisfied
89. Generally, very satisfied with Library and Parks & Recreation. Needed are more sidewalks and/or bike lanes, better public transportation options, resolution of water/wastewater issues which apparently limit the development of new restaurants and supermarkets in Stratham, better traffic/speed enforcement on Rte 108 between the Stratham Circle and Newfields.
90. Satisfied thus far. Continuing to expand recreational/social opportunities for older residents is very important to me.

91. Very satisfied.
92. Bike paths and sidewalks are needed.
93. They keep improving services which is good
94. Love the library. Would like to see more classes offered for seniors or trips and be able to easily find out about them.
95. The items mentioned above in reference to in-home care providers as we age and transportation opportunities when we can no longer drive.
96. Somewhat satisfied. The Town could provide more access.
97. more patrol of speeding on Rt 33
98. Currently I am satisfied with the town services. As we look to the future, I'm hopeful this survey will be used to determine what should be done especially for Seniors.
99. VERY SATISFIED
100. The services of the town in general are good and very well run. However when it comes to seniors, services are minimal or non existent. As the over 65 population continues to grow, the town should think about how they can better service this age group. Maybe the town should establish a Council on Aging and have staff dedicated to seniors.
101. Satisfied
102. Satisfied
103. Fairly satisfied
104. Spend money more focused. The town is trying to do too much, and the waste in things like updating street signs to reflect history is a ridiculous spend. Or the amount of investment in the future vision of a different kind of downtown. The sidewalks that were built where no one walks on Route 108, ridiculous. Invest more in kids and families - schools, parks, camps, etc. That is what this community needs and should focus on.
105. Parks and Rec, Library, and town administrators are excellent! It would be great if the town website was easier to use (the Library site is great). More communication from Parks and Rec and town in general. The town does send out an email occasionally but it is just a typed page vs an easy format to read through (I.e. the Library).
106. Stratham services are available to those who can drive. Town services are handled very well, my concern is that due to the way the town has been laid out there is no central spot for elderly housing close to the few dining and grocery options. I am grateful to be near two hospitals and my physician's office but aging in place is not an option here.
107. Stratham Hill Park is good, I use the library, service at town hall is very friendly, helpful, patient all good.
108. Of those services that I use, I am satisfied.
109. Would like to have an opportunity to start a recreational bike group for older adults or anyone interested in riding for recreation
110. It is ok