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## Elk Grove, CA

Comparisons by Demographic Subgroups

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# Summary

The National Citizen Survey™ (The NCS™) is a collaborative effort between National Research Center, Inc. (NRC) and the International City/County Management Association (ICMA). The survey and its administration are standardized to assure high quality research methods and directly comparable results across The NCS communities. This report discusses differences in opinion of survey respondents by length of residency, housing tenure, sex, presence of children in the household and presence of adults age 65 or older in the household.

Responses in the following tables show only the proportion of respondents giving a certain answer; for example, the percent of respondents who rated the quality of life as “excellent” or “good,” or the percent of respondents who attended a public meeting more than once a month. ANOVA and chi-square tests of significance were applied to these comparisons of survey questions. A “p-value” of 0.05 or less indicates that there is less than a 5% probability that differences observed between subgroups are due to chance; or in other words, a greater than 95% probability that the differences observed are “real.” Where differences were statistically significant, they have been shaded grey.

The margin of error for this report is generally no greater than plus or minus six percentage points around any given percent reported for the entire sample (275 completed surveys). For subgroups of responses, the margin of error increases because the sample size for the subgroup is smaller. For subgroups of approximately 100 respondents, the margin of error is plus or minus 10 percentage points.

Notable differences between demographic subgroups included the following:

- Within the pillar of Community Characteristics, residents who had lived in Elk Grove for five years or less or were female tended to give higher ratings to aspects of Safety, Economy, Community Engagement and to general aspects of Community Characteristics than their counterparts. Respondents who had children living in the household gave higher ratings to the overall ease of getting to places they usually have to visit, but lower ratings to the overall feeling of safety in Elk Grove, ease of public parking and the availability of affordable quality child care/preschool than those without children. Within the facet of Built Environment, residents who had lived in Elk Grove for six years or more gave higher ratings to the variety of housing options than their counterparts, while residents who had lived in the City for five years or less were more likely to give positive ratings to the overall quality of new development than those who had lived in Elk Grove for a longer time.
- Resident opinion by demographic groups tended to vary across facets of Governance. Male residents were less likely than female residents to give positive ratings to general aspects of Governance, and households with children tended to give fewer positive ratings to aspects of Natural Environment than households without children. Within the facet of Safety, residents with children in the household rated police/Sheriff services, crime prevention and emergency preparedness less positively than households without children, but gave higher ratings to animal control. Those who had lived in Elk Grove for 10 years or less tended to give higher ratings to street repair and code enforcement than those who had lived in the City longer.
- Within the pillar of Participation, residents who had lived in Elk Grove for five years or less tended to give higher ratings for the sense of community in the City than their counterparts and were also more likely to remain in Elk Grove for the next five years or to recommend living in Elk Grove to someone who asked. Residents who had lived in Elk Grove for five years or less, owned their homes or were male were less likely to use public transportation instead of driving than their counterparts. In Community Engagement, residents who had lived in Elk Grove for six to 10 years were more likely to have campaigned or advocated for an issue, cause or candidate, contacted Elk Grove elected officials, done a favor for a neighbor or attended a local public meeting than residents who had lived in the City for more or less time.

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Table 1: Community Characteristics - General

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
The overall quality of life in Elk Grove	94%	81%	75%	82%	81%	89%	71%	82%	79%	80%	82%	81%
Overall image or reputation of Elk Grove	83%	72%	63%	74%	69%	69%	71%	69%	71%	67%	79%	70%
Elk Grove as a place to live	98%	80%	84%	91%	86%	93%	80%	88%	87%	88%	85%	87%
Your neighborhood as a place to live	88%	85%	79%	86%	81%	90%	74%	82%	83%	81%	86%	83%
Elk Grove as a place to raise children	93%	79%	85%	86%	86%	94%	78%	84%	88%	85%	92%	86%
Elk Grove as a place to retire	69%	83%	58%	74%	63%	72%	57%	67%	64%	62%	76%	65%
Overall appearance of Elk Grove	77%	83%	72%	70%	76%	79%	70%	75%	74%	75%	71%	75%

Table 2: Community Characteristics - Safety

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good, very/somewhat safe)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Overall feeling of safety in Elk Grove	83%	78%	65%	68%	73%	77%	66%	77%	65%	70%	76%	72%
In your neighborhood during the day	98%	87%	88%	91%	90%	94%	86%	92%	88%	91%	89%	90%
In Elk Grove's downtown/commercial area during the day	97%	89%	91%	94%	92%	94%	90%	92%	92%	94%	86%	92%

Table 3: Community Characteristics - Mobility

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good, very/somewhat safe)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Overall ease of getting to the places you usually have to visit	75%	74%	61%	53%	72%	63%	71%	65%	70%	63%	79%	67%
Traffic flow on major streets	39%	45%	31%	36%	35%	38%	32%	33%	38%	35%	38%	35%
Ease of public parking	71%	70%	66%	70%	68%	74%	62%	70%	66%	73%	53%	68%
Ease of travel by car in Elk Grove	64%	70%	54%	64%	58%	62%	57%	63%	55%	61%	53%	59%
Ease of travel by public transportation in Elk Grove	31%	76%	36%	59%	39%	56%	31%	48%	41%	42%	50%	44%
Ease of travel by bicycle in Elk Grove	72%	77%	49%	63%	57%	66%	51%	54%	63%	61%	47%	58%
Ease of walking in Elk Grove	70%	80%	61%	71%	65%	69%	63%	65%	68%	66%	67%	66%
Availability of paths and walking trails	72%	67%	63%	78%	62%	74%	58%	65%	67%	67%	64%	66%

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Table 4: Community Characteristics - Natural Environment

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good, very/somewhat safe)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Quality of overall natural environment in Elk Grove	84%	78%	69%	87%	71%	82%	66%	74%	76%	75%	72%	74%
Air quality	62%	75%	70%	69%	68%	72%	64%	67%	70%	69%	64%	69%
Cleanliness of Elk Grove	75%	70%	75%	75%	74%	82%	66%	74%	74%	74%	73%	74%

Table 5: Community Characteristics - Built Environment

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good, very/somewhat safe)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Overall "built environment" of Elk Grove (including overall design, buildings, parks and transportation systems)	66%	68%	61%	62%	63%	67%	58%	59%	67%	61%	69%	63%
Public places where people want to spend time	71%	66%	58%	68%	61%	71%	54%	60%	65%	62%	63%	62%
Variety of housing options	42%	62%	63%	52%	59%	66%	49%	58%	56%	57%	58%	57%
Availability of affordable quality housing	36%	39%	57%	34%	54%	49%	48%	50%	46%	46%	58%	48%
Overall quality of new development in Elk Grove	69%	48%	39%	60%	45%	58%	39%	46%	52%	50%	46%	49%

Table 6: Community Characteristics - Economy

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good, very/somewhat safe)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Overall economic health of Elk Grove	87%	75%	59%	76%	67%	75%	62%	68%	70%	67%	75%	68%
Elk Grove as a place to work	44%	66%	58%	65%	52%	61%	48%	60%	51%	49%	79%	55%
Elk Grove as a place to visit	47%	45%	37%	50%	38%	50%	30%	44%	37%	36%	57%	41%
Employment opportunities	47%	34%	28%	35%	33%	40%	25%	30%	38%	33%	34%	33%
Shopping opportunities	73%	65%	45%	65%	52%	63%	47%	59%	52%	58%	47%	55%
Cost of living in Elk Grove	51%	48%	42%	37%	48%	51%	40%	44%	47%	47%	39%	45%
Overall quality of business and service establishments in Elk Grove	65%	71%	58%	59%	62%	68%	54%	63%	59%	62%	59%	62%
Vibrant downtown/commercial area	50%	46%	19%	31%	31%	42%	19%	33%	30%	32%	30%	31%

Table 7: Community Characteristics - Recreation and Wellness

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good, very/somewhat safe)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Health and wellness opportunities in Elk Grove	58%	67%	73%	61%	70%	69%	66%	70%	65%	64%	80%	68%

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Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good, very/somewhat safe)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Fitness opportunities (including exercise classes and paths or trails, etc.)	76%	76%	72%	81%	72%	82%	66%	77%	70%	75%	73%	74%
Recreational opportunities	67%	57%	54%	65%	56%	70%	45%	60%	56%	59%	55%	58%
Availability of affordable quality food	54%	72%	68%	70%	62%	77%	51%	68%	60%	65%	62%	65%
Availability of affordable quality health care	54%	54%	77%	72%	67%	78%	58%	70%	66%	66%	75%	68%
Availability of preventive health services	59%	63%	73%	73%	67%	74%	61%	69%	66%	66%	74%	68%
Availability of affordable quality mental health care	55%	60%	46%	65%	46%	58%	41%	48%	52%	48%	59%	50%

Table 8: Community Characteristics - Education and Enrichment

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good, very/somewhat safe)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Overall opportunities for education and enrichment	80%	65%	64%	76%	66%	69%	68%	65%	73%	66%	78%	69%
Availability of affordable quality child care/preschool	68%	38%	57%	53%	58%	61%	53%	77%	45%	58%	55%	57%
K-12 education	91%	82%	85%	88%	86%	86%	86%	87%	86%	87%	83%	86%
Adult educational opportunities	64%	58%	69%	71%	66%	72%	61%	68%	66%	68%	64%	67%
Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities	68%	32%	39%	60%	41%	56%	32%	45%	46%	46%	42%	45%
Opportunities to participate in religious or spiritual events and activities	74%	76%	74%	66%	77%	73%	76%	69%	79%	74%	75%	74%

Table 9: Community Characteristics - Community Engagement

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good, very/somewhat safe)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Opportunities to participate in social events and activities	69%	36%	43%	52%	48%	57%	39%	46%	53%	52%	37%	49%
Opportunities to volunteer	54%	79%	59%	53%	63%	68%	52%	59%	62%	62%	54%	60%
Opportunities to participate in community matters	46%	46%	53%	47%	51%	61%	38%	51%	49%	52%	41%	50%
Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds	65%	74%	64%	67%	65%	72%	59%	67%	64%	69%	53%	66%
Neighborliness of residents in Elk Grove	45%	53%	44%	32%	50%	50%	40%	45%	46%	44%	51%	46%

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Table 10: Governance - General

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
The City of Elk Grove	87%	77%	68%	83%	72%	81%	67%	76%	72%	73%	79%	75%
The value of services for the taxes paid to Elk Grove	64%	47%	48%	41%	55%	62%	42%	57%	45%	52%	50%	52%
The overall direction that Elk Grove is taking	55%	52%	51%	47%	54%	59%	46%	53%	52%	51%	58%	52%
The job Elk Grove government does at welcoming citizen involvement	35%	33%	40%	36%	38%	45%	29%	38%	38%	38%	38%	38%
Overall confidence in Elk Grove government	42%	44%	45%	40%	45%	55%	33%	46%	42%	45%	39%	44%
Generally acting in the best interest of the community	59%	50%	46%	42%	53%	57%	41%	53%	47%	53%	40%	50%
Being honest	40%	53%	47%	37%	50%	53%	38%	47%	45%	46%	46%	46%
Treating all residents fairly	48%	50%	49%	35%	54%	52%	46%	53%	44%	50%	46%	49%
Overall customer service by Elk Grove employees (police, receptionists, planners, etc.)	79%	72%	58%	78%	61%	72%	58%	72%	56%	67%	62%	66%
The Federal Government	43%	38%	33%	48%	33%	48%	25%	36%	37%	38%	32%	37%

Table 11: Governance - Safety

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Police/Sheriff services	81%	67%	74%	76%	74%	78%	70%	80%	67%	71%	83%	74%
Crime prevention	67%	64%	69%	66%	68%	73%	61%	74%	60%	64%	77%	68%
Animal control	78%	79%	65%	82%	67%	75%	66%	65%	79%	70%	70%	71%
Emergency preparedness (services that prepare the community for natural disasters or other emergency situations)	35%	34%	43%	55%	35%	50%	28%	51%	24%	42%	33%	39%

Table 12: Governance - Mobility

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Traffic enforcement	72%	52%	62%	66%	62%	66%	59%	61%	64%	59%	73%	63%
Street repair	76%	74%	53%	71%	59%	62%	61%	61%	64%	62%	59%	62%
Street cleaning	70%	47%	62%	55%	64%	63%	59%	63%	59%	60%	65%	61%
Street lighting	70%	64%	70%	62%	71%	72%	65%	77%	59%	71%	63%	69%
Sidewalk maintenance	72%	57%	67%	55%	70%	70%	63%	67%	65%	69%	56%	67%
Traffic signal timing	38%	53%	51%	40%	50%	50%	45%	51%	43%	47%	47%	48%
Bus or transit services	47%	63%	50%	57%	51%	56%	48%	64%	40%	59%	35%	53%

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Table 13: Governance - Natural Environment

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Garbage collection	87%	88%	87%	87%	87%	89%	85%	93%	79%	87%	87%	87%
Recycling	89%	87%	86%	88%	87%	90%	84%	93%	79%	86%	90%	87%
Yard waste pick-up	87%	91%	85%	87%	86%	88%	84%	92%	79%	86%	85%	86%
Preservation of natural areas such as open space, farmlands and greenbelts	83%	52%	52%	66%	58%	65%	54%	63%	56%	64%	48%	60%
Elk Grove open space	61%	43%	49%	57%	49%	61%	40%	62%	39%	53%	46%	51%

Table 14: Governance - Built Environment

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Storm drainage	76%	89%	79%	78%	80%	76%	83%	83%	76%	78%	84%	80%
Utility billing	55%	74%	53%	35%	63%	56%	56%	61%	51%	56%	57%	56%
Land use, planning and zoning	55%	51%	43%	38%	48%	47%	46%	45%	48%	47%	43%	46%
Code enforcement (weeds, abandoned buildings, etc.)	63%	61%	43%	66%	46%	57%	43%	50%	49%	50%	48%	50%
Cable television	50%	37%	48%	52%	45%	49%	45%	55%	39%	47%	47%	47%

Table 15: Governance - Economy

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Economic development	47%	56%	41%	59%	41%	49%	41%	43%	47%	44%	48%	45%

Table 16: Governance - Education and Enrichment

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Public library services	78%	78%	79%	78%	79%	83%	73%	82%	76%	79%	77%	79%
City-sponsored special events	67%	65%	50%	64%	54%	70%	41%	70%	40%	60%	46%	57%

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Table 17: Governance - Community Engagement

Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Public information services	62%	71%	68%	61%	69%	69%	64%	68%	65%	68%	63%	66%

Table 18: Participation General

Percent rating positively (e.g., always/sometimes, more than once a month, yes)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Sense of community	74%	45%	43%	49%	53%	51%	52%	44%	61%	47%	67%	51%
Recommend living in Elk Grove to someone who asks	99%	86%	88%	92%	90%	94%	87%	89%	92%	90%	94%	91%
Remain in Elk Grove for the next five years	98%	74%	86%	90%	87%	91%	83%	89%	86%	87%	90%	87%
Contacted the City of Elk Grove (in-person, phone, email or web) for help or information	29%	50%	41%	39%	40%	44%	34%	42%	36%	37%	48%	39%

Table 19: Participation - Safety

Percent rating positively (e.g., always/sometimes, more than once a month, yes)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Was NOT the victim of a crime	77%	91%	89%	84%	87%	87%	84%	88%	83%	87%	83%	86%
Did NOT report a crime	75%	73%	73%	77%	73%	77%	71%	76%	71%	77%	66%	74%
Stocked supplies in preparation for an emergency	50%	48%	42%	40%	47%	51%	39%	46%	45%	44%	50%	45%

Table 20: Participation - Mobility

Percent rating positively (e.g., always/sometimes, more than once a month, yes)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Walked or biked instead of driving	52%	55%	62%	52%	61%	59%	57%	54%	63%	57%	63%	59%
Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone	58%	68%	63%	69%	60%	63%	62%	58%	68%	66%	53%	62%
Used bus, rail, subway or other public transportation instead of driving	11%	43%	18%	39%	13%	25%	14%	17%	23%	22%	13%	20%



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Table 21: Participation - Natural Environment

Percent rating positively (e.g., always/sometimes, more than once a month, yes)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Recycle at home	100%	95%	99%	98%	98%	98%	99%	99%	98%	99%	96%	98%
Made efforts to make your home more energy efficient	74%	89%	78%	73%	80%	78%	79%	77%	81%	77%	84%	79%
Made efforts to conserve water	93%	100%	97%	88%	99%	95%	98%	98%	94%	95%	100%	96%

Table 22: Participation - Built Environment

Percent rating positively (e.g., always/sometimes, more than once a month, yes)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
NOT under housing cost stress	55%	65%	69%	47%	70%	61%	68%	66%	62%	68%	52%	64%
Did NOT observe a code violation	54%	30%	37%	57%	35%	48%	32%	43%	37%	43%	33%	41%

Table 23: Participation - Economy

Percent rating positively (e.g., always/sometimes, more than once a month, yes)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Purchase goods or services from a business located in Elk Grove	100%	95%	100%	97%	100%	100%	98%	98%	100%	99%	100%	99%
Economy will have positive impact on income	25%	41%	28%	25%	31%	32%	26%	30%	28%	34%	13%	29%
Work in Elk Grove	28%	15%	33%	34%	27%	36%	21%	26%	33%	31%	23%	29%

Table 24: Participation - Recreation and Wellness

Percent rating positively (e.g., always/sometimes, more than once a month, yes)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Eat at least 5 portions of fruits and vegetables a day	92%	87%	83%	89%	85%	88%	84%	84%	88%	84%	93%	86%
Participate in moderate or vigorous physical activity	89%	91%	90%	86%	91%	91%	89%	89%	91%	90%	87%	90%
Reported being in "very good" or "excellent" health	58%	67%	60%	64%	59%	60%	60%	60%	61%	63%	50%	60%

Table 25: Participation - Education and Enrichment

Percent rating positively (e.g., always/sometimes, more than once a month, yes)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Used Elk Grove public libraries or their services	59%	52%	56%	63%	54%	62%	51%	42%	75%	54%	64%	57%

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Percent rating positively (e.g., always/sometimes, more than once a month, yes)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Participated in religious or spiritual activities in Elk Grove	41%	67%	50%	31%	57%	45%	57%	42%	60%	49%	56%	50%
Attended a City-sponsored event	62%	44%	54%	60%	53%	60%	50%	46%	66%	55%	55%	55%

Table 26: Participation - Community Engagement

Percent rating positively (e.g., always/sometimes, more than once a month, yes)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Campaigned or advocated for an issue, cause or candidate	7%	24%	14%	19%	12%	17%	10%	12%	15%	13%	16%	14%
Contacted Elk Grove elected officials (in-person, phone, email or web) to express your opinion	1%	17%	11%	10%	9%	11%	8%	10%	9%	8%	15%	9%
Volunteered your time to some group/activity in Elk Grove	33%	41%	42%	36%	41%	40%	40%	38%	42%	41%	35%	39%
Participated in a club	27%	27%	26%	25%	27%	27%	26%	25%	28%	26%	28%	26%
Talked to or visited with your immediate neighbors	91%	98%	94%	90%	96%	92%	97%	95%	93%	94%	96%	94%
Done a favor for a neighbor	74%	93%	84%	60%	90%	74%	92%	83%	82%	81%	88%	82%
Attended a local public meeting	11%	32%	17%	16%	18%	19%	17%	18%	17%	17%	19%	18%
Watched (online or on television) a local public meeting	21%	34%	17%	20%	22%	19%	22%	21%	21%	21%	21%	21%
Read or watch local news (via television, paper, computer, etc.)	88%	100%	88%	88%	91%	85%	96%	93%	86%	89%	96%	90%
Vote in local elections	91%	90%	80%	75%	88%	82%	88%	84%	85%	84%	88%	85%

Table 27: Community Focus Areas

Percent rating positively (e.g., essential/very important)	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Overall feeling of safety in Elk Grove	98%	90%	97%	97%	96%	98%	95%	96%	96%	97%	94%	96%
Overall ease of getting to the places you usually have to visit	97%	70%	82%	86%	84%	86%	83%	86%	82%	84%	83%	84%
Quality of overall natural environment in Elk Grove	87%	81%	85%	80%	87%	86%	84%	87%	83%	86%	82%	85%
Overall "built environment" of Elk Grove (including overall design, buildings, parks and transportation systems)	79%	88%	83%	78%	85%	83%	83%	84%	82%	82%	84%	83%
Health and wellness opportunities in Elk Grove	89%	67%	76%	78%	78%	78%	78%	80%	77%	77%	81%	78%
Overall opportunities for education and enrichment	90%	72%	81%	85%	81%	84%	79%	88%	75%	81%	85%	82%
Overall economic health of Elk Grove	92%	76%	93%	89%	91%	90%	91%	98%	82%	89%	94%	90%
Sense of community	86%	75%	77%	81%	79%	78%	80%	84%	74%	77%	87%	79%

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Table 28: State Employees

	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Are you a State of California employee? (percent "yes")	25%	40%	29%	36%	27%	32%	27%	27%	33%	37%	5%	30%

Table 29: Commuting Outside of Elk Grove

	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
If yes, do you commute outside the boundaries of Elk Grove to your state job? (percent "yes")	100%	100%	77%	78%	91%	81%	95%	79%	95%	88%	65%	87%

Table 30: Preferences for Locating State Agencies in Elk Grove

	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Would you prefer that more State agencies or departments were located in Elk Grove?	92%	100%	98%	100%	96%	95%	100%	100%	95%	97%	100%	97%

Table 31: Likelihood of Transferring to Elk Grove Agency

	Length of residency			Housing tenure		Sex		Children in household		Adults 65 or older in household		Overall
	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 years or more	Rent	Own	Female	Male	No	Yes	No	Yes	
If a State agency or department other than one you work for were to locate in Elk Grove, how likely would you be to pursue a transfer to that agency?	92%	88%	80%	100%	78%	90%	76%	87%	81%	83%	100%	84%