

**MCHENRY COUNTY  
HEALTHY COMMUNITY STUDY  
HOUSEHOLD SURVEY**

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MCHENRY COUNTY HEALTH COMMUNITY STUDY 2006  
 FREQUENCY TABULATIONS  
 811 Surveys

**YOUR COMMUNITY**

1-5. First, please check UP TO FIVE things that you would like to see **improved** to make your community a healthy place to live.

Characteristic	Number	Percent
Businesses, stores	241	29.7%
Child care	42	5.2%
Children's activities	104	12.8%
Community leadership	93	11.5%
Community services	95	11.7%
Crime prevention	158	19.5%
Entertainment, arts	228	28.1%
Environment	162	20.0%
Family life	77	9.5%
Health care	174	21.5%
Housing	72	8.9%
Job availability	240	29.6%
Library services	53	6.5%
Mental health care	55	6.8%
Parks, recreation	182	22.4%
Program for elderly	144	17.8%
Public transportation	300	37.0%
Religious & spiritual life	47	5.8%
Schools	160	19.7%
Teen behavior	129	15.9%
Tolerance of differences	88	10.9%
Traffic flow	488	60.2%
Other	61	7.5%

6-19. Below are some things which characterize healthy communities. For each, please mark whether you find these to be excellent, good, fair or poor in your area. You may also respond "Don't Know."

Characteristic	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Total	Mean Rating <sup>1</sup>	Don't know	No Answer
	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.				
Availability of social services overall	26	5.3%	228	46.8%	187	38.4%	46	9.4%	487	2.48	286	38
Availability of services for youth	21	4.3%	152	31.4%	192	39.7%	119	24.6%	484	2.15	285	42
Availability of services for senior citizens	28	6.1%	150	32.5%	201	43.5%	83	18.0%	462	2.27	311	38
Availability of cultural activities, arts	30	4.7%	169	26.2%	262	40.7%	183	28.4%	644	2.07	120	47
Quality of local elementary education	86	13.7%	358	57.1%	133	21.2%	50	8.0%	627	2.77	149	35
Quality of local middle, high school education	75	12.5%	327	54.4%	138	23.0%	61	10.2%	601	2.69	176	34
Availability of services for the disabled	3	0.9%	89	27.0%	131	39.7%	107	32.4%	330	1.96	441	40
Access to local government decision makers	23	4.2%	184	33.7%	214	39.2%	125	22.9%	546	2.19	232	33
Cooperation among local governments	8	1.7%	110	22.8%	211	43.7%	154	31.9%	483	1.94	282	46
Quality of your local community or village services	54	7.8%	327	47.3%	238	34.4%	73	10.5%	692	2.52	78	41
Availability of health care services	86	12.5%	335	48.7%	201	29.2%	66	9.6%	688	2.64	82	41
Availability of preventive health care	63	10.3%	264	43.4%	200	32.8%	82	13.5%	609	2.51	160	42
Quality of your local Park District services	96	14.0%	330	48.2%	187	27.3%	72	10.5%	685	2.66	83	43
Availability of transportation for the elderly and disabled	6	1.5%	99	24.7%	126	31.4%	170	42.4%	401	1.85	377	33

<sup>1</sup>Mean rating based on 4 = Excellent, 3 = Good, 2 = Fair, and 1 = Poor. Don't know/no answer excluded from mean rating calculations.

20. If you rated any of these characteristics above as fair or poor, please tell what is needed or should be improved to make these excellent or good in your community.

See Appendix 3 for comments.

21-49. The following are concerns that exist in many communities. Please mark those issues which you feel need **greater attention** in your community to improve the health and quality of life for families.

Response	Needs Greater Attention	
	Number	Percent
Activities for seniors	246	30.3%
Activities for teens	423	52.2%
Affordable housing	258	31.8%
AIDS, sexually transmitted diseases	57	7.0%
Alcohol abuse	157	19.4%
Bereavement or help coping with death	69	8.5%
Career changes or job retraining	211	26.0%
Child abuse	109	13.4%
Crime	161	19.9%
Crisis counseling	68	8.4%
Domestic violence	124	15.3%
Drugs, drug abuse	261	32.2%
Duplication of local services, agencies	53	6.5%
Gangs, delinquency, youth violence	262	32.3%
High health care costs	418	51.5%
Hispanic social services	55	6.8%
Illiteracy	89	11.0%
Inclusion of diverse persons	85	10.5%
Racial or socioeconomic discrimination	73	9.0%
School dropouts	105	12.9%
Special education for children	131	16.2%
Special recreation programs for physically/mentally challenged <b>adults</b>	121	14.9%
Special recreation programs for physically/mentally challenged <b>children</b>	122	15.0%
Support for caregivers	196	24.2%
Support for single parents	170	21.0%
Support for two parent working families	141	17.4%
Supported employment for the handicapped	103	12.7%
Teen pregnancy	76	9.4%
Any other issues?	59	7.3%

**GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT**

50-57. Please indicate whether you Agree, Disagree, or are Not Sure about each statement regarding growth and development by marking your choice.

Statement	Agree		Disagree		Not Sure		No Answer		Total	
	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.
I am pleased with the way that land has been developed in McHenry County.	177	21.8%	428	52.8%	187	23.1%	19	2.3%	811	100.0%
Landowners should be allowed to use their land in whatever way they want.	246	30.3%	424	52.3%	126	15.5%	15	1.9%	811	100.0%
Too much residential development is taking place in the rural farming areas.	621	76.6%	102	12.6%	76	9.4%	12	1.5%	811	100.0%
I am willing to pay higher taxes to preserve wetlands and other environmentally sensitive areas.	341	42.0%	286	35.3%	168	20.7%	16	2.0%	811	100.0%
Maintaining our present natural areas such as forests, prairies or wetlands is more important than acquiring new ones.	553	68.2%	120	14.8%	124	15.3%	14	1.7%	811	100.0%
Preserving open space is as important as residential or commercial growth.	722	89.0%	39	4.8%	33	4.1%	17	2.1%	811	100.0%
Development should occur in areas which already have the ability to supply public drinking water, wastewater treatment, and sewers before extending into areas without these services.	663	81.8%	61	7.5%	79	9.7%	8	1.0%	811	100.0%
“Impact fees” should be required for new developments to finance schools and parks	703	86.7%	39	4.8%	63	7.8%	6	0.7%	811	100.0%

58-61. Please mark whether you Agree, Disagree or are Not Sure about the following steps that your community or the County could take to control smoking in public places.

Statement	Agree		Disagree		Not Sure		No Answer		Total	
	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.
Ban smoking in public places like malls, stores and banks.	668	82.4%	86	10.6%	31	3.8%	26	3.2%	811	100.0%
Ban smoking in restaurants or wherever food is served.	586	72.3%	165	20.3%	34	4.2%	26	3.2%	811	100.0%
Ban the availability of tobacco in vending machines.	499	61.5%	195	24.0%	89	11.0%	28	3.5%	811	100.0%
Ban the selling of tobacco in stores.	222	27.4%	440	54.3%	117	14.4%	32	3.9%	811	100.0%

**TRANSPORTATION**

62-64. If you were to choose the highest priorities for spending McHenry County transportation funds, which THREE would you choose? **(Mark only three)**

Highest Priorities	Number	Percent
Improving existing highways by widening, upgrading intersections.	564	69.5%
Building or extending a limited access (possibly interstate) highway through the county.	298	36.7%
Adding and improving pedestrian paths, sidewalks and bike paths.	301	37.1%
Increasing train frequency and adding parking at existing rail stations in McHenry County.	219	27.0%
Improving car and van pooling to major work destinations.	63	7.8%
Expanding a subsidized taxi, van voucher program.	55	6.8%
Creating more and improved "park and ride" sites for buses to Cook, Kane, Lake sites including Metra, work or shopping.	160	19.7%
Establishing scheduled bus service among major McHenry County communities.	275	33.9%
Expand on-call PACE transit, Dial-a-Ride.	196	24.2%
Other	38	4.7%

65-71. **If you need transportation assistance**, for what purpose(s) do you need a ride?

Response	Number	Percent
Getting to work	130	16.0%
Medical/dental appointments	135	16.6%
Social or recreational activities	93	11.5%
School, college classes	57	7.0%
Social agency, government office	46	5.7%
Groceries and/or drug store	143	17.6%
Other	12	15.0%

72-78. For each statement, check whether “yes” or “no” best describes the situation with your current primary job. Do not answer if you are not employed. (N = 582 respondents who work)

Statement	Yes		No		No Answer		Total	
	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.
I am driving too far to my job, need a closer job.	135	23.2%	388	66.7%	59	10.1%	582	100.0%
I can advance in my job.	293	50.3%	224	38.5%	65	11.2%	582	100.0%
I feel secure in my job, that I will always have this or a similar job available.	353	60.7%	165	28.4%	64	11.0%	582	100.0%
I need further training or education to improve my job skills.	219	37.6%	296	50.9%	67	11.5%	582	100.0%
My employer will help me to get additional job skills.	314	54.0%	199	34.2%	69	11.9%	582	100.0%
My pay is reasonable for what I do.	385	66.2%	145	24.9%	52	8.9%	582	100.0%
Overall, I am satisfied with my job.	423	72.7%	100	17.2%	59	10.1%	582	100.0%

## HOUSEHOLD SITUATIONS

79-109. Almost every home faces difficult situations at some time. Please mark EACH situation which YOU OR SOMEONE IN YOUR HOME had during the **past year**.

<b>BASIC NEEDS</b>	Number	Percent
Bankruptcy filed	13	1.6%
Difficulty getting Medicaid, other benefits	40	4.9%
Experienced an Involuntary job loss	98	12.1%
Homeless	5	0.6%
Lacked money for basic home repairs	123	15.2%
No job for 30 days or more	98	12.1%
Serious financial problems	97	12.0%
Unable to afford food	34	4.2%
Victim of a disaster	3	0.4%
Without transportation	27	3.3%
<b>HEALTH CARE AND MENTAL HEALTH</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Couldn't afford pregnancy care	5	0.6%
Couldn't afford prescription medicines	77	9.5%
Diagnosed with mental illness	19	2.3%
Emotional problems: depression, anxiety	144	17.8%
Felt lonely and isolated	80	9.9%
Needed dental care, but couldn't afford	108	13.3%
Unable to find affordable local mental health counseling or therapy	27	3.3%
<b>FAMILY SITUATIONS</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Arrested for a crime	10	1.2%
Became divorced, separated or widowed	37	4.6%
Needed legal help with child support, custody, divorce, debts or housing	36	4.4%
Difficulty finding older adult day care	16	2.0%
Disabled person needed services	36	4.4%
Elderly person needed services	51	6.3%
Experienced unplanned pregnancy	10	1.2%
Family member ran away from home	3	0.4%
Serious school-related problems	23	2.8%
Serious parent and child conflict	39	4.8%
Serious conflict within family other than parent-child	33	4.1%
Victim of crime	28	3.5%
Other	20	2.5%
NONE OF THESE	344	42.4%

110-125. If you needed help for a difficult time in the past year (such as those listed above), but didn't get help, what were some of the reasons? (N = 286 – respondents who marked at least one reason)

Response	Number	Percent
Concerned about privacy	76	26.6%
Cost of service	153	53.5%
Could not get child care	11	3.8%
Didn't know where to turn	100	35.0%
Discriminated against	10	3.5%
Hours not convenient	39	13.6%
Lack of response by agency	38	13.3%
Language barrier	6	2.1%
Long wait to get service	37	12.9%
No agency office in my community	24	8.4%
Not eligible for service	74	25.9%
Paperwork too great	20	7.0%
Prior bad experience with agency	21	7.3%
Program ran out of funding	16	5.6%
Transportation, could not get there	15	5.2%
Other	10	3.5%

#### **CHILD CARE AND CHILD BEHAVIOR**

126. Within the past year, did you use or need child care services?

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	101	12.5%
No	683	84.2%
No answer	27	3.3%
Total	811	100.0%

127-137. In your opinion, how difficult has it been in the last year for you to find each of the following? Please use the scale 1 (“not difficult”) to 3 (“very difficult”) or check “Does Not Apply” if a type of child care does not apply to you. (N = 101 – respondents who used or needed child care services)

Child Care Service	(1) Not Difficult		(2) Somewhat Difficult		(3) Very Difficult		Total	Mean Rating <sup>1</sup>	DNA/ No Answer
	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.			
A child care provider	46	54.8%	27	32.1%	11	13.1%	84	1.58	17
Affordable child care	20	24.1%	37	44.6%	26	31.3%	83	2.07	18
Back-up child care	12	15.4%	23	29.5%	43	55.1%	78	2.40	23
Care for a child with a disability	3	30.0%	1	10.0%	6	60.0%	10	2.30	91
Child care before or after school	23	46.0%	20	40.0%	7	14.0%	50	1.68	51
Child care conveniently located	43	58.9%	23	31.5%	7	9.6%	73	1.51	28
Child care for second or third shift	3	18.8%	2	12.5%	11	68.8%	16	2.50	85
High quality child care	30	40.5%	31	41.9%	13	17.6%	74	1.77	27
Infant care	13	46.4%	12	42.9%	3	10.7%	28	1.64	73
Transportation to child care	21	58.3%	9	25.0%	6	16.7%	36	1.58	65
Weekend child care	5	15.6%	5	15.6%	22	68.8%	32	2.53	69

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138-152. Which of the following are a problem for your child or children under 18? (N = 101)

Response	Number	Percent
Aggressive or violent behavior	8	7.9%
Anxiety, nervousness	11	10.9%
Bed wetting, enuresis	9	8.9%
Difficulty walking or running	1	1.0%
Difficulty writing	8	7.9%
Eating disorder	3	3.0%
Extreme shyness	4	4.0%
Learning problems	12	11.9%
Sadness, unhappiness	13	12.9%
Speech or language problems	13	12.9%
Temper tantrums	15	14.9%
Tobacco use (cigarettes or chewing)	3	3.0%
Unable to get along with other children	4	4.0%
Other	3	3.0%
My child does not have any of these problems	56	55.4%

#### HEALTH AND HEALTH CARE

153-158. How many persons in your home are **not** presently covered by any health insurance such as major medical insurance, HMO, PPO, Medicare, VA or TRICARE? (Enter the **number** of persons in your home not covered by insurance in **each** age group.)

Response	Number	Percent	Number of persons in age group
None, everyone is covered	688	84.8% <sup>1</sup>	
Persons ages 0-17 not covered	30	5.8%	513
Persons ages 18-29 not covered	42	16.9%	248
Persons 30-44 not covered	27	6.2%	437
Persons ages 45-64 not covered	59	8.1%	724
Persons 65+ not covered	1	0.3%	292
Total	159	7.1%	2,229 <sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Includes 15 no answers for respondent age.

<sup>2</sup>Percent of sample.

159. About how long has it been since you last visited a doctor for a routine checkup or physical?

Response	Number	Percent
Within the past year	597	73.6%
1-2 years ago	102	12.6%
3-5 years ago	40	4.9%
More than five years ago	50	6.2%
Never had a physical	4	0.5%
Don't know	6	0.7%
No answer	12	1.5%
Total	811	100.0%

160. During the past **two years**, have you ever been **unable** to receive physical or mental health care that was needed for yourself or a family member?

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	99	12.2%
No	696	85.8%
No answer	16	2.0%
Total	811	100.0%

161-171. IF YES, what reason(s) kept you or family member from receiving health care?

Response	Of households unable to receive care		All Households
	Number	Percent	Percent
Financial concerns, cost of care	66	66.7%	8.1%
Have no regular doctor	19	19.2%	2.3%
Lack of insurance	51	51.5%	6.3%
Language barrier	1	1.0%	0.1%
Needed babysitting	1	1.0%	0.1%
No transportation	3	3.0%	0.4%
Office time inconvenient	12	12.1%	1.5%
Physician would not take Public Aid	6	6.1%	0.7%
Underinsured, could not afford to pay deductible or co-payment	32	32.3%	3.9%
Wait to get appointment	14	14.1%	1.7%
Other	9	9.1%	1.1%

172. Is there a particular person or place where you usually go when you are sick or need advice about health?

Response	Number	Percent
<b>No</b> , I do not have a regular doctor or clinic	62	7.6%
<b>Yes</b> , I usually go to:		
A doctor's office or private clinic	685	84.5%
Family Health Partnership Clinic	19	2.3%
Hospital emergency room	8	1.0%
The health department	1	0.1%
Urgent or immediate care center	16	2.0%
VA Hospital or Clinic	9	1.1%
Other	2	0.2%
No answer	9	1.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>811</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

173. Even when a person has health insurance, often they must still pay certain costs themselves when services are used. How much of a problem are these "out-of-pocket" costs for your household?

Response	Number	Percent
A serious problem	125	15.4%
A problem, but not serious	295	36.4%
Not much of a problem	241	29.7%
Not a problem at all	132	16.3%
No answer	18	2.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>811</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

174. Would you say that your health, in general, is:

Response	Number	Percent
Excellent	112	13.8%
Very good	287	35.4%
Good	289	35.6%
Fair	94	11.6%
Poor	22	2.7%
No answer	7	0.9%
<b>Total</b>	<b>811</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

175-176. Do you use tobacco (cigarettes, pipe, cigar or chewing) now or have you ever used tobacco?

Response	Number	Percent
I currently use tobacco	137	16.9%
I have never used tobacco	360	44.4%
I did use tobacco but I have quit	278	34.3%
No answer	36	4.4%
Total	811	100.0%

If yes, Have you ever made a serious attempt to stop? (N = 137 current tobacco users)

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	88	64.2%
No	35	25.5%
No answer	14	10.2%
Total	137	100.0%

177-205. Does anyone in your household have, or have they had, any of the diseases or conditions listed? Please mark the age group for each person who **has or had** this disease or condition.

Disease/Condition	Ages 0-17		Ages 18-44		Ages 45-64		Ages 65+		Total	
	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.
ADD/ADHD	44	8.6%	35	5.1%	12	1.7%	2	0.7%	93	4.2%
Alcoholism or substance abuse	9	1.8%	36	5.3%	29	4.0%	14	4.8%	88	4.0%
Alzheimer's	0	0.0%	1	0.1%	4	0.6%	9	3.1%	14	0.6%
Arthritis or rheumatism	1	0.2%	22	3.2%	131	18.1%	116	39.7%	270	12.2%
Asthma	57	11.1%	55	8.0%	65	9.0%	22	7.5%	199	9.0%
Autism or Asperger's Disease	8	1.6%	3	0.4%	2	0.3%	3	1.0%	16	0.7%
Blindness, serious vision problems	3	0.6%	8	1.2%	22	3.0%	12	4.1%	45	2.0%
Cancer	2	0.4%	18	2.6%	41	5.7%	66	22.6%	127	5.7%
Chronic acne, or other skin disorders	30	5.8%	54	7.9%	35	4.8%	10	3.4%	129	5.8%
Chronic back pain or disc disorders	5	1.0%	42	6.1%	142	19.6%	63	21.6%	252	11.4%
Chronic bronchitis or emphysema	3	0.6%	5	0.7%	35	4.8%	19	6.5%	62	2.8%
Chronic digestive or stomach disorders	7	1.4%	35	5.1%	72	9.9%	34	11.6%	148	6.7%
Chronic sinus, hay fever or allergies	57	11.1%	122	17.8%	138	19.1%	43	14.7%	360	16.3%
Chronic colds or respiratory infections	15	2.9%	15	2.2%	31	4.3%	10	3.4%	71	3.2%
Deafness or other hearing problems	10	1.9%	13	1.9%	45	6.2%	58	19.9%	126	5.7%
Deformities or other orthopedic impair	5	1.0%	6	0.9%	12	1.7%	13	4.5%	36	1.6%
Dental problems not cared for	7	1.4%	37	5.4%	52	7.2%	24	8.2%	120	5.4%
Diabetes	3	0.6%	16	2.3%	44	6.1%	40	13.7%	103	4.7%
Epilepsy, seizures	3	0.6%	7	1.0%	8	1.1%	7	2.4%	25	1.1%
Heart disease	0	0.0%	11	1.6%	43	5.9%	63	21.6%	117	5.3%
High blood pressure, hypertension	2	0.4%	51	7.4%	171	23.6%	132	45.2%	356	16.1%
High cholesterol	1	0.2%	63	9.2%	162	22.4%	106	36.3%	332	15.0%

Disease/Condition	Ages 0-17		Ages 18-44		Ages 45-64		Ages 65+		Total	
	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.	No.	Pct.
Mental or emotional problems	18	3.5%	42	6.1%	55	7.6%	15	5.1%	130	5.9%
Migraine headaches	9	1.8%	56	8.2%	77	10.6%	12	4.1%	154	7.0%
Obesity	4	0.8%	46	6.7%	93	12.8%	22	7.5%	165	7.5%
Parkinson's Disease	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	1.7%	5	0.2%
Stroke	0	0.0%	2	0.3%	14	1.9%	15	5.1%	31	1.4%
Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)	1	0.2%	3	0.4%	2	0.3%	0	0.0%	6	0.3%
Other	4	0.8%	10	1.5%	21	2.9%	6	2.1%	41	1.9%

Note: Percents are based on total persons in the particular age group.

## MENTAL HEALTH

206-219. What would you say are the primary causes of your stress?

Response	Number	Percent
I have no or little stress	202	24.9%
Financial concerns	370	45.6%
Current job	228	28.1%
Health	126	15.5%
Lost job	31	3.8%
Can't find job	35	4.3%
Lack of free time	156	19.2%
Lost health insurance	32	3.9%
Marital or partner problems	107	13.2%
Neighbors	29	3.6%
Not safe in my home	4	0.5%
Parenting problems	84	10.4%
Caring for elderly	71	8.8%
Other	49	6.0%

220. If you or someone in your household had a personal problem which required help, where would YOU turn **first**?

Response	Number	Percent
Church, minister, rabbi, clergy	62	7.6%
Elected official	4	0.5%
Family	374	46.1%
Friend	104	12.8%
Health care provider or doctor	85	10.5%
Internet search for advice	17	2.1%
Labor union or representative	1	0.1%
Information & Referral Service	7	0.9%
Police or sheriff	2	0.2%
School counselor, teacher	0	0.0%
Self help group	5	0.6%
Social service agency	5	0.6%
Someone at work	2	0.2%
Therapist or counselor	39	4.8%
United Way	1	0.1%
Other	18	2.2%
Multiple answers	57	7.0%
No answer	28	3.5%
Total	811	100.0%

221-222. In the past year, did you think about seeking professional help for any personal or emotional problems?

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	218	26.9%
No	579	71.4%
No answer	14	1.7%
Total	811	100.0%

If yes, did you actually seek professional help? (N = 218 who thought about seeking help)

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	107	49.1%
No	106	48.6%
No answer	5	2.3%
Total	218	100.0%

223. Has anyone currently living in your home ever attempted suicide?

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	35	4.3%
No	761	93.8%
No answer	15	1.9%
Total	811	100.0%

224-227. During the past year, have you been physically, emotionally or sexually abused by someone?

Response	No.	Pct.	→	If YES, how?	Of those abused		All Persons
					No.	Pct.	Pct.
Yes	40	4.9%		Physically abused (hit, slapped, kicked or physically hurt)	7	17.5%	0.9%
No	763	94.1%		Emotionally abused (intimidated, coerced, isolated, threatened or degraded)	38	95.0%	4.7%
No answer	8	1.0%		Sexually abused (forced to have sexual activity)	5	12.5%	0.6%
Total	811	100.0%					

228-237. By whom? (N = 40)

Response	Number	Percent
Stranger	0	0.0%
Acquaintance or friend	3	7.5%
Intimate partner	3	7.5%
Ex-intimate partner	2	5.0%
Spouse	13	32.5%
Ex-spouse	5	12.5%
Parent	3	7.5%
Other family member	13	32.5%
Other person	3	7.5%
More than one person	3	7.5%

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238. What is your gender?

Response	Number	Percent
Male	341	42.0%
Female	461	56.8%
No answer	9	1.1%
Total	811	100.0%

239. What is your zip code?

Response	Number	Percent
60001 - Alden	0	0.0%
60010 - Barrington	3	0.4%
60012 - Crystal Lake	36	4.4%
60013 - Cary	78	9.6%
60014 - Crystal Lake	121	14.9%
60021 - Fox River Grove	19	2.3%
60033 - Harvard	35	4.3%
60034 - Hebron	5	0.6%
60042 - Island Lake	16	2.0%
60050 - McHenry	101	12.5%
60051 - McHenry	36	4.4%
60071 - Richmond	16	2.0%
60072 - Ringwood	3	0.4%
60081 - Spring Grove	18	2.2%
60097 - Wonder Lake	29	3.6%
60098 - Woodstock	78	9.6%
60102 - Algonquin	65	8.0%
60142 - Huntley	53	6.5%
60152 -Marengo	28	3.5%
60156 - Lake in the Hills	45	5.5%
60180 - Union	2	0.2%
No answer	24	3.0%
Total	811	100.0%

240. How many years have you lived in McHenry County?

Response	Number	Percent
0 - 4 years	135	16.6%
5 - 9 years	138	17.0%
10-19 years	198	24.4%
20+	313	38.6%
No answer	27	3.3%
Total	811	100.0%

241-247. **Including yourself**, how many persons in each age group live in your home?

Response	Number	Percent
Number of persons 0-12	352	15.9%
Number of persons 13-17	161	7.3%
Number of persons 18-29	248	11.2%
Number of persons 30-44	437	19.7%
Number of persons 45-64	724	32.7%
Number of persons 65-74	172	7.8%
Number of persons 75+	120	5.4%
Total	2,214	100.0%
Persons per Household	2.73	

248. Please circle **your** age group in the categories above.

Response	Number	Percent
18-29	30	3.7%
30-44	211	26.0%
45-64	398	49.1%
65-74	94	11.6%
75+	63	7.8%
No answer	15	1.9%
Total	811	100.0%

249. What is the highest grade that you finished in school?

Response	Number	Percent
Less than high school	12	1.5%
High school diploma or GED	153	18.9%
Some college, no degree	222	27.4%
Associate degree	70	8.6%
Bachelor's degree or higher	203	25.0%
Graduate or professional degree	145	17.9%
No answer	6	0.7%
Total	811	100.0%

250-256. Are you responsible for another adult living in McHenry County who needs assistance daily or regularly with activities of daily living?

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	84	10.4%
No	722	89.0%
No answer	5	0.6%
Total	811	100.0%

If yes, are they: ( N = 84)

Response	Age of Adult Needing Assistance					
	0 - 17		18 - 64		65+	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Older adult needing help	0	0.0%	4	4.8%	53	63.1%
Developmentally disabled	0	0.0%	6	7.1%	1	1.2%
Physically disabled	0	0.0%	7	8.3%	8	9.5%
Mentally ill	1	1.2%	10	11.9%	2	2.4%
Other	0	0.0%	4	4.8%	0	0.0%

If yes, do they live: (N = 84)

Response	2005	
	Number	Percent
On their own, alone or with others	35	41.7%
At home with you	30	35.7%
In a group residence or home	14	16.7%
Other	1	1.2%

257. Where is your primary work location?

Response	All Respondents		Workers (B=582)
	Number	Percent	Percent
McHenry County	308	38.0%	52.9%
City of Chicago	27	3.3%	4.6%
Cook County outside Chicago	94	11.6%	16.2%
DuPage County	16	2.0%	2.7%
Kane County	40	4.9%	6.9%
Lake County	70	8.6%	12.0%
Boone County	0	0.0%	0.0%
Winnebago County	3	0.4%	0.5%
Wisconsin	8	1.0%	1.4%
Other	16	2.0%	2.7%
I do not work	207	25.5%	
No answer	22	2.7%	
Total	811	100.0%	100.0%

258. Of what racial or ethnic group do you consider yourself?

Response	Number	Percent
White (non-Hispanic)	778	95.9%
Black/African American (non-Hispanic)	6	0.7%
Hispanic/Latino	11	1.4%
Asian (non-Hispanic)	7	0.9%
American Indian (non-Hispanic)	0	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%
No answer	9	1.1%
Total	811	100.0%

259-260. Do you speak a language in your home other than English?

Response	Number	Percent		Response	Number	Percent
No	763	94.1%	→	Spanish	16	36.4%
Yes	44	5.4%		Other	27	61.4%
No answer	4	0.5%		No answer	1	2.3%
Total	811	100.0%		Total	44	100.0%

261-267. Does this home include

Response	Number	Percent
A married couple	586	72.3%
Single parent	67	8.3%
Grandparent(s) raising grandchildren	14	1.7%
Two or more families living together	8	1.0%
Unmarried persons living together	44	5.4%
Single person, living alone	109	13.4%
Same sex partners living together	4	0.5%
Other	21	2.6%

269. Did anyone in your home receive any financial assistance in the **past year** such as: TANF Township Assistance, Public Aid, Medical Card, Food Stamps, SSI or other types of aid? (Do not include Medicare or Social Security.)

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	53	6.5%
No	739	91.1%
Not sure	7	0.9%
No answer	12	1.5%
Total	811	100.0%

270. Do you have access to the Internet or email on a computer at home or work?

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	684	84.3%
No	113	13.9%
Don't know	1	0.1%
No answer	13	1.6%
Total	811	100.0%

271. Is there anything else that you would like to share about your needs or health and human services in McHenry County?

See Appendix 3 for open-ended comments.