

Appendix A: Respondent Characteristics

Characteristics of the survey respondents are displayed in the tables and graphs below. (Note: As with the other data presented in this report, characteristics are based on the weighted dataset, adjusted to best represent the demographic profile of Adams County residents. See *Appendix E: Survey Methodology* for more information on the weighting process.)

Figure 70: Presence of Children in Household

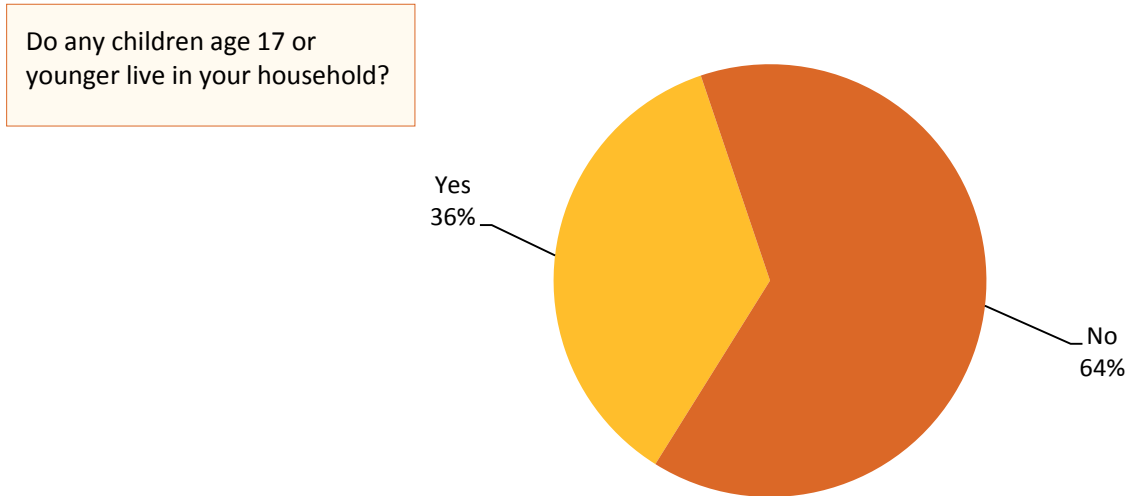


Figure 71: Business Ownership Status

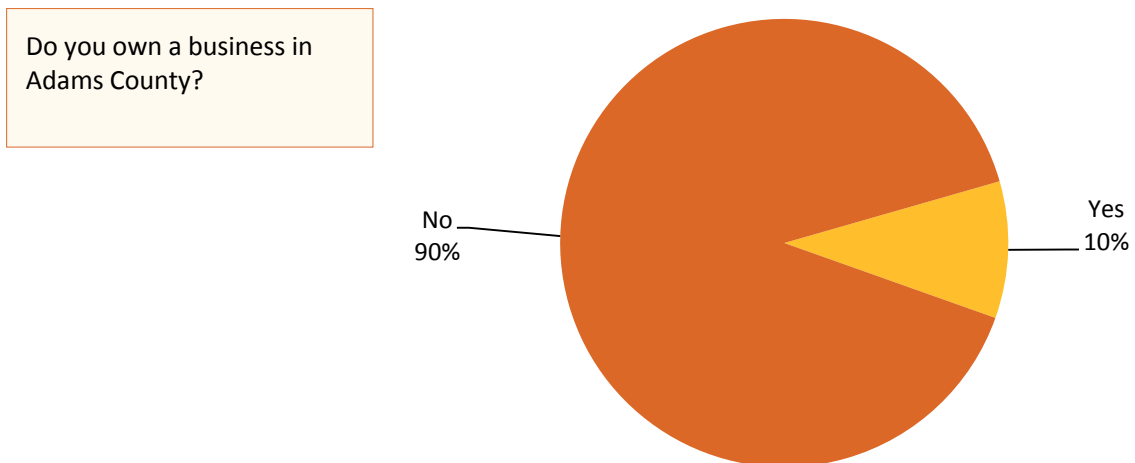


Figure 72: Length of Residency in Adams County

How many years have you lived in Adams County?	Percent of respondents
5 years or less	24%
6 to 10 years	19%
11 to 20 years	21%
More than 20 years	36%
Total	100%
AVERAGE LENGTH OF RESIDENCY	19 years

Figure 73: Location of Respondent's Home

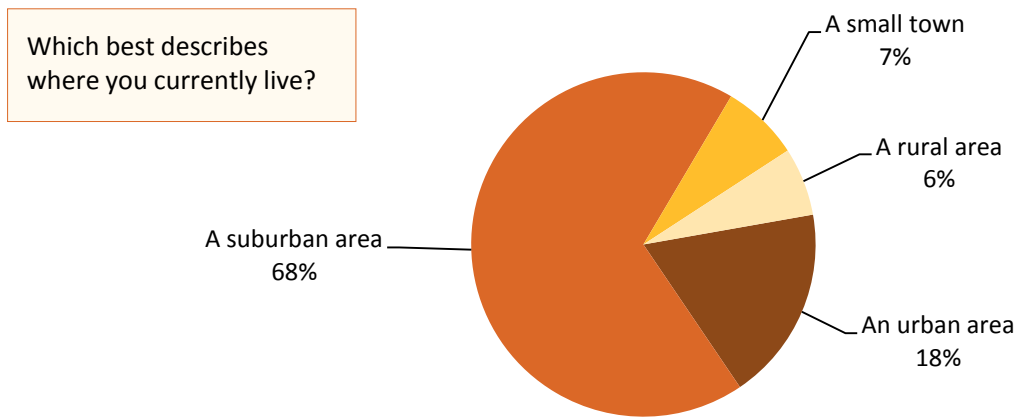


Figure 74: Location of Respondent's Home within the County

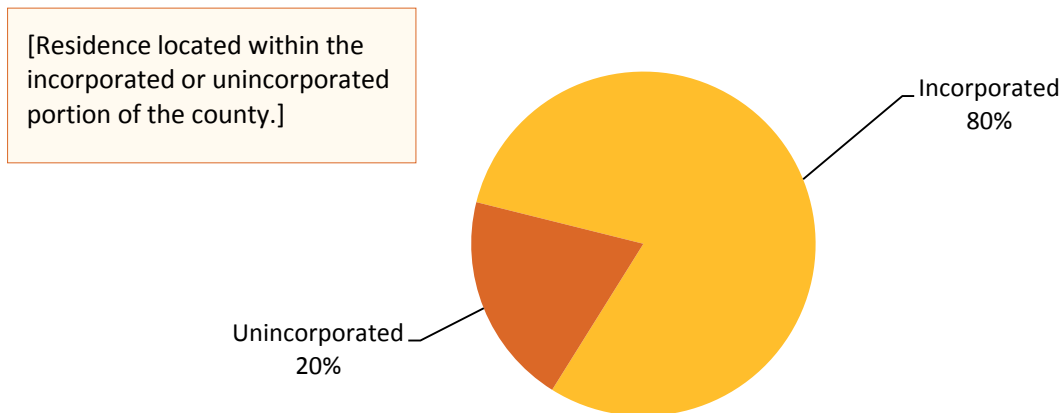


Figure 75: Respondent's Housing Tenure (Rent or Own)

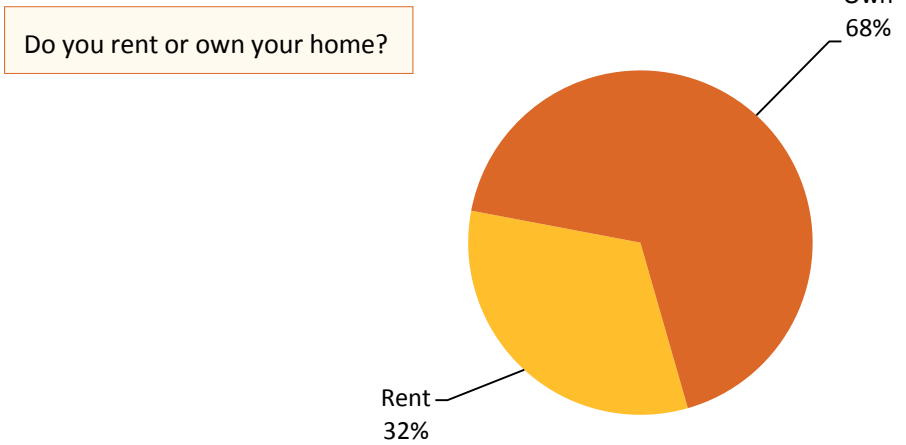


Figure 76: Respondent's Ethnicity

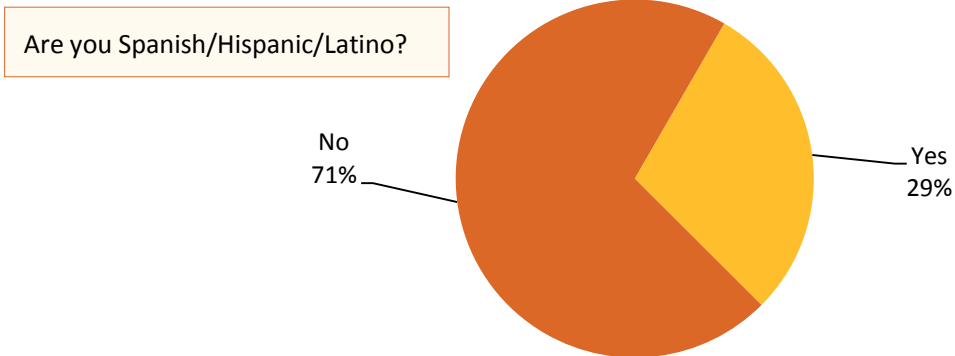


Figure 77: Respondent's Race

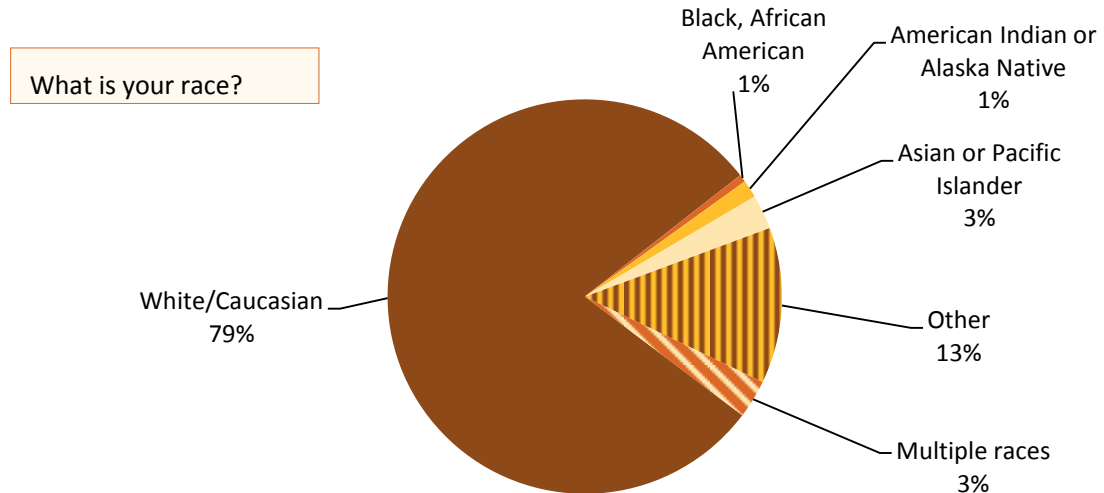


Figure 78: Respondent's Gender

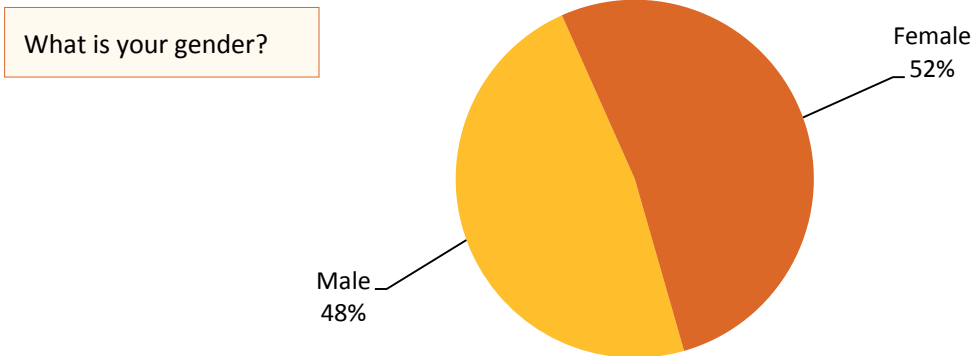


Figure 79: Respondent's Age

In which category is your age?	Percent of respondents
18-24 years	5%
25-34 years	26%
35-44 years	11%
45-54 years	25%
55-64 years	14%
65-74 years	10%
75 years or older	9%
Total	100%

Figure 80: Respondent's Household Income

How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)	Percent of respondents
Less than \$24,999	21%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	21%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	41%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	16%
\$150,000 or more	2%
Total	100%

Figure 81: Respondent's Educational Status

How much education have you completed?	Percent of respondents
0-11 years	4%
High school graduate	25%
Some college, no degree	26%
Associate degree	7%
Bachelor degree	24%
Graduate or professional degree	14%
Total	100%

Appendix B: Responses to Survey Questions

The full set of responses to each survey question is displayed in the tables and graphs below. (Note: As with the other data presented in this report, these responses are based on the weighted dataset, adjusted to best represent the demographic profile of Adams County residents. See *Appendix E: Survey Methodology* for more information on the weighting process.)

For questions that included a “don’t know” option, two sets of tables or figures are presented; one with the “don’t know” responses included, one with the “don’t know” responses *excluded*, to show the proportion of respondents with an opinion giving a response.

Table 1: Question #1 with Don't Know Responses

Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Adams County:	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't know	Total
Adams County as a place to live	18%	56%	23%	2%	1%	100%
Your neighborhood as a place to live	24%	40%	25%	10%	1%	100%
Adams County as a place to raise children	15%	43%	24%	8%	10%	100%
Adams County as a place to work	7%	26%	24%	11%	33%	100%
Adams County as a place to start and/or operate a business	7%	15%	18%	12%	49%	100%
Adams County as a place to retire	12%	23%	20%	11%	34%	100%
The overall quality of life in Adams County	13%	53%	25%	7%	2%	100%

Table 2: Question #1 without Don't Know Responses

Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Adams County:	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Total
Adams County as a place to live	18%	56%	24%	2%	100%
Your neighborhood as a place to live	24%	40%	26%	10%	100%
Adams County as a place to raise children	16%	48%	27%	9%	100%
Adams County as a place to work	10%	38%	35%	17%	100%
Adams County as a place to start and/or operate a business	13%	29%	35%	23%	100%
Adams County as a place to retire	19%	34%	30%	17%	100%
The overall quality of life in Adams County	13%	54%	26%	7%	100%

Table 3: Question #2

What do you like best about living in Adams County?	Percent of respondents who wrote a response*
Location, convince, access (to mountains, to shopping, to Denver, etc.)	31%
Small town feel, mix of rural and urban living	12%
Lower cost of living, affordability, lower housing costs	9%
Open space, parks and trails	7%
People, family, friends, neighborhood	6%
Safety, low crime, safety services	5%
Environment, climate, clean, appearance	4%
Amenities, events, services	4%
Quiet	2%
Native, grew up in Adams County	2%
Lower tax rates	2%
Everything	1%
Nothing	1%
Don't know/Just moved in	2%
Other	11%
Total	100%

** Note: This is of the respondents who wrote in an answer to the question; about 40% of respondents had done so. A complete list of responses in the respondent's own words can be found in Appendix D: Verbatim Responses to Open-ended Questions.*

Table 4: Question #3 with Don't Know Responses

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Adams County as a whole:	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't know	Total
Sense of personal safety	14%	51%	23%	11%	1%	100%
Emergency response times (fire, ambulance, sheriff, etc.)	20%	37%	11%	2%	29%	100%
Sense of community	9%	37%	39%	13%	3%	100%
Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds	11%	47%	24%	8%	10%	100%
Overall appearance of Adams County	7%	44%	35%	13%	1%	100%
Overall quality of new development in unincorporated Adams County	5%	29%	22%	12%	31%	100%
Variety of housing options	8%	45%	27%	9%	11%	100%
Overall quality of business and service establishments in Adams County	9%	47%	35%	5%	4%	100%
Shopping opportunities	15%	45%	25%	14%	1%	100%
Opportunities to attend cultural activities	7%	28%	37%	14%	14%	100%
Recreational opportunities	12%	50%	28%	8%	3%	100%
Opportunities to participate in outdoor recreation or enjoy nature	12%	48%	24%	9%	7%	100%
Employment opportunities	3%	20%	24%	22%	30%	100%
Educational opportunities	6%	29%	31%	16%	19%	100%
Opportunities to participate in community matters	8%	35%	28%	12%	17%	100%
Ease of car travel in Adams County	11%	49%	29%	9%	2%	100%
Ease of bus travel in Adams County	7%	23%	17%	17%	36%	100%
Availability of paths and walking trails	15%	49%	26%	5%	5%	100%
Traffic flow on major streets	6%	37%	37%	20%	1%	100%
Availability of affordable quality housing	9%	33%	31%	10%	17%	100%
Availability of affordable quality child care	3%	14%	18%	6%	59%	100%
Availability of affordable quality health care	7%	29%	29%	12%	24%	100%
Availability of recycling services	14%	31%	20%	26%	9%	100%
Drinking water quality	18%	44%	23%	11%	3%	100%
Overall image or reputation of Adams County	8%	46%	33%	11%	2%	100%

Table 5: Question #3 without Don't Know Responses

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Adams County as a whole:	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Total
Sense of personal safety	14%	52%	23%	11%	100%
Emergency response times (fire, ambulance, sheriff, etc.)	29%	52%	16%	3%	100%
Sense of community	9%	38%	40%	13%	100%
Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds	12%	52%	27%	9%	100%
Overall appearance of Adams County	7%	44%	35%	13%	100%
Overall quality of new development in unincorporated Adams County	7%	43%	32%	18%	100%
Variety of housing options	9%	50%	31%	10%	100%
Overall quality of business and service establishments in Adams County	9%	49%	37%	6%	100%
Shopping opportunities	15%	46%	25%	14%	100%
Opportunities to attend cultural activities	8%	33%	43%	16%	100%
Recreational opportunities	12%	51%	29%	8%	100%
Opportunities to participate in outdoor recreation or enjoy nature	13%	51%	26%	9%	100%
Employment opportunities	5%	28%	35%	32%	100%
Educational opportunities	7%	35%	38%	19%	100%
Opportunities to participate in community matters	9%	42%	34%	15%	100%
Ease of car travel in Adams County	11%	50%	30%	9%	100%
Ease of bus travel in Adams County	11%	36%	27%	26%	100%
Availability of paths and walking trails	16%	51%	27%	6%	100%
Traffic flow on major streets	6%	37%	37%	20%	100%
Availability of affordable quality housing	11%	40%	37%	13%	100%
Availability of affordable quality child care	7%	34%	44%	16%	100%
Availability of affordable quality health care	9%	38%	38%	16%	100%
Availability of recycling services	15%	34%	22%	29%	100%
Drinking water quality	19%	46%	24%	11%	100%
Overall image or reputation of Adams County	8%	47%	34%	11%	100%

Table 6: Question #4

How prepared are you and your household for a disaster or emergency (e.g., flood, tornado, blizzard, etc.)?	Percent of respondents
Very prepared	6%
Somewhat prepared	43%
A little bit prepared	35%
Not at all prepared	16%
Total	100%

Table 7: Question #5 with Don't Know Responses

To what degree, if at all, are each of the following a problem in Adams County?	Not a problem	Minor problem	Moderate problem	Major problem	Don't know	Total
Run down buildings, weed lots or junk vehicles	16%	31%	32%	16%	6%	100%
Graffiti	17%	33%	34%	12%	4%	100%
Violent crime (e.g., sexual assault, robbery)	13%	23%	30%	10%	24%	100%
Property crimes (e.g., burglary, theft)	11%	25%	35%	13%	16%	100%
Environmental hazards, including toxic waste	20%	21%	12%	10%	37%	100%
Weeds and other noxious or invasive plants in open lands	13%	25%	23%	19%	21%	100%
Child abuse and neglect	11%	13%	10%	11%	55%	100%
Neglect, exploitation or mistreatment of at-risk adults	12%	12%	13%	6%	57%	100%

Table 8: Question #5 without Don't Know Responses

To what degree, if at all, are each of the following a problem in Adams County?	Not a problem	Minor problem	Moderate problem	Major problem	Total
Run down buildings, weed lots or junk vehicles	17%	33%	34%	17%	100%
Graffiti	18%	34%	35%	12%	100%
Violent crime (e.g., sexual assault, robbery)	17%	31%	39%	13%	100%
Property crimes (e.g., burglary, theft)	13%	30%	42%	15%	100%
Environmental hazards, including toxic waste	31%	33%	20%	15%	100%
Weeds and other noxious or invasive plants in open lands	16%	32%	29%	24%	100%
Child abuse and neglect	24%	29%	22%	24%	100%
Neglect, exploitation or mistreatment of at-risk adults	28%	27%	30%	14%	100%

Table 9: Question #6 with Don't Know Responses

How well is Adams County retaining existing businesses and attracting new businesses?	Percent of respondents
Excellent	1%
Good	19%
Fair	22%
Poor	13%
Don't Know	43%
It is not the job of Adams County to retain and attract businesses	2%
Total	100%

Table 10: Question #6 without Don't Know Responses

How well is Adams County retaining existing businesses and attracting new businesses?	Percent of respondents
Excellent	2%
Good	33%
Fair	39%
Poor	22%
It is not the job of Adams County to retain and attract businesses	4%
Total	100%

Table 11: Question #7

What kinds of jobs would you like to see remain or grow in Adams County? (Select all that apply.)	Percent of respondents*
Arts, education and recreation	50%
Construction	42%
Education	60%
Financial services and banking	25%
Government	21%
Other	7%
Healthcare	65%
Leisure and hospitality	33%
Information technology	40%
Manufacturing	41%
Media	18%
Professional and business services	46%
Real estate	26%
Retail	52%
Transportation	41%
Utilities	26%

* Note: Percents add to more than 100% as respondents could choose more than one job type.

Table 12: Question #8

Please tell us where most future development in Adams County should be located. (Please check only one.)	Percent of respondents
Within already developed communities with available buildings or unused land	75%
On open land at the edges of existing cities and towns	21%
On rural land	4%
Total	100%

Table 13: Question #9

What type of new development density would you be most interested in seeing in unincorporated Adams County?	Percent of respondents
Housing should be on larger lots and buildings should be spread out, similar to the “typical” suburban neighborhoods and shopping areas	54%
Residential and commercial development should be more dense, and close to each other, making it easier to walk from place to place	33%
Housing and commercial development on very large lots within rural areas	13%
Total	100%

Table 14: Question #10 with Don't Know Responses

Do you think the costs of new development should be paid for by the residents of new development, or should the county use general taxes to assist with the development?	Percent of respondents
Development should pay for itself	47%
General county tax dollars should fund development	8%
Some of the costs for development should be paid by general county taxes	28%
Don't know	17%
Total	100%

Table 15: Question #10 without Don't Know Responses

Do you think the costs of new development should be paid for by the residents of new development, or should the county use general taxes to assist with the development?	Percent of respondents
Development should pay for itself	56%
General county tax dollars should fund development	10%
Some of the costs for development should be paid by general county taxes	34%
Total	100%

Table 16: Question #11 with Don't Know Responses

Please rate the quality of each of the following services provided by other agencies (i.e., special districts and metro districts), not by Adams County.	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't know or Not applicable	Total
Public school districts	8%	29%	22%	10%	31%	100%
Fire services	23%	39%	7%	1%	31%	100%
Water and sanitation services	18%	48%	14%	2%	17%	100%
Street and drainage maintenance services	12%	41%	23%	9%	15%	100%
Library services	23%	42%	12%	6%	17%	100%
Park and recreation services	22%	50%	15%	2%	11%	100%

Table 17: Question #11 without Don't Know Responses

Please rate the quality of each of the following services provided by other agencies (i.e., special districts and metro districts), not by Adams County.	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Total
Public school districts	12%	42%	32%	15%	100%
Fire services	33%	56%	10%	1%	100%
Water and sanitation services	22%	58%	17%	3%	100%
Street and drainage maintenance services	14%	49%	27%	10%	100%
Library services	28%	51%	14%	7%	100%
Park and recreation services	25%	56%	17%	2%	100%

Table 18: Question #12 with Don't Know Responses

Please rate the quality of each of the following services provided by Adams County:	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't know or Not applicable	Total
Adams County open space, parks and trails system	16%	56%	19%	3%	7%	100%
Animal Shelter / Adoption Center	6%	29%	20%	3%	42%	100%
Building permits and inspections	2%	20%	17%	4%	56%	100%
Collection of property taxes	8%	30%	25%	5%	32%	100%
Community development (build the capacity of citizen groups and community organizations so they may enhance the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of our communities)	2%	17%	26%	10%	45%	100%
County courts	4%	32%	25%	6%	33%	100%
Development standards and regulations (sets standards and regulations for the unincorporated areas of the county to guide development to protect and promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of the county)	2%	22%	23%	6%	47%	100%
Drainage and storm sewer infrastructure (adequate to handle storm events and prevent flooding) in unincorporated Adams County	2%	36%	29%	9%	24%	100%
Economic development (identify and encourage investments by businesses, creating new jobs)	1%	17%	31%	16%	35%	100%
Elections and voter registrations	10%	38%	27%	6%	19%	100%
Emergency management (coordinates the efforts in coping with emergencies, disasters and terrorist threats by preparing, responding, recovering and mitigating incidents)	3%	19%	18%	5%	54%	100%
Employment assistance programs through the Workforce & Business Center	2%	16%	17%	12%	53%	100%
Enforcement of county codes, ordinances and regulations (building codes, zoning and development regulations, Blight Ordinance enforcement for the removal of junk and weeds, graffiti removal)	3%	24%	30%	18%	25%	100%
Housing assistance services (emergency housing, rental assistance, down payment assistance for first-time home buyers, etc.)	3%	12%	15%	9%	61%	100%
Long range planning (administers and updates the Comprehensive Long Range Plan, coordinates with both local and regional stakeholders in planning for the current and future needs of the county)	2%	14%	20%	6%	58%	100%
Motor vehicle registration	8%	42%	27%	15%	8%	100%
Online (internet) property lookup	4%	24%	19%	4%	49%	100%

Please rate the quality of each of the following services provided by Adams County:	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't know or Not applicable	Total
Public records and documents searches	3%	22%	17%	3%	55%	100%
Roadway maintenance of paved and graveled roads in unincorporated Adams County	3%	23%	34%	18%	21%	100%
Services provided to financially challenged families, programs like Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Military Assistance Program, Food Assistance (SNAP/Food Stamps), etc.	5%	11%	16%	8%	60%	100%
Services provided to protect children suspected of being abused or neglected	2%	12%	16%	6%	64%	100%
Services provided to vulnerable adults suspected of being abused or neglected	2%	10%	13%	3%	72%	100%
Sheriff services	5%	29%	22%	5%	39%	100%
Snow and ice removal in unincorporated Adams County	7%	22%	32%	15%	24%	100%
Traffic control (street lights, signs, etc.) in unincorporated Adams County	6%	33%	31%	8%	23%	100%

Table 19: Question #12 without Don't Know Responses

Please rate the quality of each of the following services provided by Adams County:	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Total
Adams County open space, parks and trails system	17%	60%	21%	3%	100%
Animal Shelter / Adoption Center	10%	51%	35%	5%	100%
Building permits and inspections	6%	45%	39%	10%	100%
Collection of property taxes	11%	44%	37%	7%	100%
Community development (build the capacity of citizen groups and community organizations so they may enhance the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of our communities)	4%	30%	47%	19%	100%
County courts	5%	48%	38%	9%	100%
Development standards and regulations (sets standards and regulations for the unincorporated areas of the county to guide development to protect and promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of the county)	4%	42%	43%	11%	100%
Drainage and storm sewer infrastructure (adequate to handle storm events and prevent flooding) in unincorporated Adams County	3%	47%	38%	12%	100%
Economic development (identify and encourage investments by businesses, creating new jobs)	2%	27%	47%	25%	100%
Elections and voter registrations	13%	47%	33%	7%	100%
Emergency management (coordinates the efforts in coping with emergencies, disasters and terrorist threats by preparing, responding, recovering and mitigating incidents)	8%	43%	40%	10%	100%
Employment assistance programs through the Workforce & Business Center	5%	33%	36%	26%	100%
Enforcement of county codes, ordinances and regulations (building codes, zoning and development regulations, Blight Ordinance enforcement for the removal of junk and weeds, graffiti removal)	4%	32%	39%	25%	100%
Housing assistance services (emergency housing, rental assistance, down payment assistance for first-time home buyers, etc.)	7%	31%	39%	23%	100%
Long range planning (administers and updates the Comprehensive Long Range Plan, coordinates with both local and regional stakeholders in planning for the current and future needs of the county)	6%	34%	47%	13%	100%
Motor vehicle registration	8%	46%	30%	16%	100%
Online (internet) property lookup	8%	47%	37%	8%	100%

Please rate the quality of each of the following services provided by Adams County:	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Total
Public records and documents searches	7%	48%	39%	6%	100%
Roadway maintenance of paved and graveled roads in unincorporated Adams County	4%	29%	43%	23%	100%
Services provided to financially challenged families, programs like Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Military Assistance Program, Food Assistance (SNAP/Food Stamps), etc.	11%	28%	40%	21%	100%
Services provided to protect children suspected of being abused or neglected	5%	33%	46%	17%	100%
Services provided to vulnerable adults suspected of being abused or neglected	6%	36%	46%	12%	100%
Sheriff services	8%	48%	36%	8%	100%
Snow and ice removal in unincorporated Adams County	9%	29%	42%	20%	100%
Traffic control (street lights, signs, etc.) in unincorporated Adams County	7%	43%	40%	10%	100%

Table 20: Question #13

Looking at the services in Question 12, which FIVE (5) services do you think are MOST important for maintaining and improving the quality of life in Adams County?	Percent of respondents*
Adams County open space, parks and trails system	36%
Animal Shelter / Adoption Center	13%
Building permits and inspections	7%
Collection of property taxes	8%
Community development (build the capacity of citizen groups and community organizations so they may enhance the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of our communities)	18%
County courts	15%
Development standards and regulations (sets standards and regulations for the unincorporated areas of the county to guide development to protect and promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of the county)	18%
Drainage and storm sewer infrastructure (adequate to handle storm events and prevent flooding) in unincorporated Adams County	20%
Economic development (identify and encourage investments by businesses, creating new jobs)	31%
Elections and voter registrations	7%
Emergency management (coordinates the efforts in coping with emergencies, disasters and terrorist threats by preparing, responding, recovering and mitigating incidents)	32%
Employment assistance programs through the Workforce & Business Center	14%
Enforcement of county codes, ordinances and regulations (building codes, zoning and development regulations, Blight Ordinance enforcement for the removal of junk and weeds, graffiti removal)	31%
Housing assistance services (emergency housing, rental assistance, down payment assistance for first-time home buyers, etc.)	20%
Long range planning (administers and updates the Comprehensive Long Range Plan, coordinates with both local and regional stakeholders in planning for the current and future needs of the county)	28%
Motor vehicle registration	11%
Online (internet) property lookup	2%
Public records and documents searches	5%
Roadway maintenance of paved and graveled roads in unincorporated Adams County	45%
Services provided to financially challenged families, programs like Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Military Assistance Program, Food Assistance (SNAP/Food Stamps), etc.	17%
Services provided to protect children suspected of being abused or neglected	25%
Services provided to vulnerable adults suspected of being abused or neglected	13%
Sheriff services	28%
Snow and ice removal in unincorporated Adams County	26%
Traffic control (street lights, signs, etc.) in unincorporated Adams County	16%

Note: Percents add to more than 100% as respondents could choose up to five services.

Table 21: Question #14 without Don't Know Responses

Looking at the services in Question 12, which FIVE (5) services do you think are LEAST important for maintaining and improving the quality of life in Adams County?	Percent of respondents*
Adams County open space, parks and trails system	16%
Animal Shelter / Adoption Center	24%
Building permits and inspections	23%
Collection of property taxes	19%
Community development (build the capacity of citizen groups and community organizations so they may enhance the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of our communities)	16%
County courts	10%
Development standards and regulations (sets standards and regulations for the unincorporated areas of the county to guide development to protect and promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of the county)	19%
Drainage and storm sewer infrastructure (adequate to handle storm events and prevent flooding) in unincorporated Adams County	5%
Economic development (identify and encourage investments by businesses, creating new jobs)	22%
Elections and voter registrations	28%
Emergency management (coordinates the efforts in coping with emergencies, disasters and terrorist threats by preparing, responding, recovering and mitigating incidents)	6%
Employment assistance programs through the Workforce & Business Center	9%
Enforcement of county codes, ordinances and regulations (building codes, zoning and development regulations, Blight Ordinance enforcement for the removal of junk and weeds, graffiti removal)	10%
Housing assistance services (emergency housing, rental assistance, down payment assistance for first-time home buyers, etc.)	19%
Long range planning (administers and updates the Comprehensive Long Range Plan, coordinates with both local and regional stakeholders in planning for the current and future needs of the county)	20%
Motor vehicle registration	19%
Online (internet) property lookup	51%
Public records and documents searches	49%
Roadway maintenance of paved and graveled roads in unincorporated Adams County	5%
Services provided to financially challenged families, programs like Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Military Assistance Program, Food Assistance (SNAP/Food Stamps), etc.	15%
Services provided to protect children suspected of being abused or neglected	3%
Services provided to vulnerable adults suspected of being abused or neglected	9%
Sheriff services	6%
Snow and ice removal in unincorporated Adams County	11%
Traffic control (street lights, signs, etc.) in unincorporated Adams County	12%

Note: Percents add to more than 100% as respondents could choose up to five services.

Table 22: Question #15 with Don't Know Responses

Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by Adams County?	Percent of respondents
Excellent	7%
Good	48%
Fair	35%
Poor	5%
Don't know	4%
Total	100%

Table 23: Question #15 without Don't Know Responses

Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by Adams County?	Percent of respondents
Excellent	7%
Good	51%
Fair	37%
Poor	5%
Total	100%

Table 24: Question #16 with Don't Know Responses

How would you rate the value of services you receive from Adams County for the taxes paid?	Percent of respondents
Excellent	3%
Good	35%
Fair	36%
Poor	14%
Don't know	12%
Total	100%

Table 25: Question #16 without Don't Know Responses

How would you rate the value of services you receive from Adams County for the taxes paid?	Percent of respondents
Excellent	4%
Good	39%
Fair	41%
Poor	15%
Total	100%

Table 26: Question #17 with Don't Know Responses

How informed would you say you are about the job Adams County government is doing?	Percent of respondents
Very well informed	3%
Informed	13%
Somewhat informed	45%
Hardly informed at all	27%
Don't know	12%
Total	100%

Table 27: Question #17 without Don't Know Responses

How informed would you say you are about the job Adams County government is doing?	Percent of respondents
Very well informed	3%
Informed	15%
Somewhat informed	51%
Hardly informed at all	31%
Total	100%

Table 28: Question #18 with Don't Know Responses

How much of the time do you think you can trust Adams County government to do what is right?	Percent of respondents
Always	3%
Most of the time	41%
Only some of the time	44%
Almost never	6%
Never	6%
Total	100%

Table 29: Question #18 without Don't Know Responses

How much of the time do you think you can trust Adams County government to do what is right?	Percent of respondents
Always	3%
Most of the time	44%
Only some of the time	47%
Almost never	6%
Total	100%

Table 30: Question #19 with Don't Know Responses

Overall, how would you rate the overall direction that Adams County is taking?	Percent of respondents
Excellent	6%
Good	36%
Fair	37%
Poor	7%
Don't know	14%
Total	100%

Table 31: Question #19 without Don't Know Responses

Overall, how would you rate the overall direction that Adams County is taking?	Percent of respondents
Excellent	7%
Good	42%
Fair	43%
Poor	9%
Total	100%

Table 32: Question #20

Have you had any in-person, phone or email contact with an Adams County employee, regardless of department or office, within the last 12 months (including sheriff, receptionists, planners, engineers or any others)?	Percent of respondents
No	62%
Yes	38%
Total	100%

Table 33: Question #21 with Don't Know Responses

What was your impression of the Adams County employee in your most recent contact? (Rate each characteristic below.)	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't know	Total
Knowledge	32%	39%	12%	6%	11%	100%
Responsiveness	24%	41%	12%	12%	11%	100%
Respectfulness	36%	35%	7%	11%	10%	100%
Courtesy	28%	42%	8%	11%	10%	100%
Overall impression	31%	38%	10%	10%	10%	100%

Table 34: Question #21 without Don't Know Responses

What was your impression of the Adams County employee in your most recent contact? (Rate each characteristic below.)	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Total
Knowledge	36%	44%	14%	7%	100%
Responsiveness	27%	46%	13%	14%	100%
Respectfulness	41%	39%	8%	12%	100%
Courtesy	32%	47%	9%	13%	100%
Overall impression	35%	42%	11%	11%	100%

Table 35: Question #22

<p>Pretend for a moment that you are responsible for making decisions about service provisions in Adams County that require difficult trade-offs. Now say you have a total of 100 “importance” points that you can distribute among 6 service categories. Please give each category the number of points you think it deserves based on how important you think this is to the quality of community life in Adams County. The most important category should receive the largest number of points. (You must use all but not more than 100 points. You do not have to give points to every category. In fact, if you would like to assign all of the points to 1, 2 or 3 categories and 0 points to all of the others, you may do so).</p>	<p>Average number of points</p>
<p>Community Services (includes development review, including long-range planning, fostering public / private partnerships, code enforcement, sustainability efforts to save taxpayer dollars and reduce the county’s impact on the environment, funds to help rehab a home or business, public health services including immunization clinics, mosquito control, open space, parks, trails, etc.)</p>	<p>18</p>
<p>Economic Development (includes attracting and retaining businesses and jobs)</p>	<p>15</p>
<p>Human Services (includes unemployment assistance, workforce training, child protection, adult protection, services for financially challenged families, Head Start, etc.)</p>	<p>18</p>
<p>Law Enforcement (includes Sheriff patrol, crime prevention, jail, District Attorney, prosecution, courts, etc.)</p>	<p>21</p>
<p>Public Services (includes maintaining official public records, Clerk and Recorder functions such as marriage licenses, elections, Assessor s valuation of property, Coroner, Treasurer, etc.)</p>	<p>11</p>
<p>Transportation Infrastructure (includes maintenance and construction of roads, bridges, drainage systems; snow removal, sidewalk construction, etc.)</p>	<p>18</p>

Table 36: Question #23 with Don't Know Responses

Please rate how well Adams County is currently doing in each of the following areas:	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't know	Total
Welcoming resident involvement	4%	23%	28%	15%	30%	100%
Being responsive to residents	5%	25%	24%	11%	35%	100%
Generally acting in the best interest of the community	5%	34%	28%	13%	21%	100%
Informing residents about issues facing the community	5%	27%	30%	23%	15%	100%
Accessibility of elected officials	3%	15%	24%	20%	38%	100%
Being open and transparent to the public	2%	21%	28%	21%	27%	100%
Giving residents a chance to express their views before making decisions	5%	19%	23%	17%	37%	100%
Being honest	6%	17%	20%	21%	35%	100%
Treating residents with fairness and respect	7%	26%	23%	12%	31%	100%

Table 37: Question #23 without Don't Know Responses

Please rate how well Adams County is currently doing in each of the following areas:	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Total
Welcoming resident involvement	5%	33%	40%	21%	100%
Being responsive to residents	8%	38%	37%	17%	100%
Generally acting in the best interest of the community	6%	43%	35%	16%	100%
Informing residents about issues facing the community	6%	31%	36%	27%	100%
Accessibility of elected officials	5%	24%	39%	32%	100%
Being open and transparent to the public	3%	28%	39%	30%	100%
Giving residents a chance to express their views before making decisions	7%	31%	36%	26%	100%
Being honest	10%	27%	30%	33%	100%
Treating residents with fairness and respect	10%	38%	34%	18%	100%

Table 38: Question #24

How familiar are you with the Open Adams reform measures that Adams County is undertaking?	Percent of respondents
Very familiar	2%
Somewhat familiar	11%
A little bit familiar	20%
Not at all familiar	67%
Total	100%

Table 39: Question #25 with Don't Know Responses

In general, how well do you think Adams County is doing on implementing the reform measures?	Percent of respondents
Excellent	2%
Good	10%
Fair	14%
Poor	3%
Don't know	71%
Total	100%

Table 40: Question #25 without Don't Know Responses

In general, how well do you think Adams County is doing on implementing the reform measures?	Percent of respondents
Excellent	8%
Good	33%
Fair	47%
Poor	12%
Total	100%

Table 41: Question #27

Were you looking for work at any time during the last 2 years?	Percent of respondents
No	73%
Yes	27%
Total	100%

Table 42: Question #28

Did you use any of the job seeker services at the Adams County Workforce & Business Center?	Percent of respondents*
No	48%
Yes	52%
Total	100%

* Note: Question only asked of those who had been looking for work during the last 2 years.

Table 43: Question #28a

Why not?	Percent of respondents*
Didn't know about them	63%
Didn't think they would help me	23%
Too difficult to access	8%
Other	12%

* Note: Percents add to more than 100% as respondents could choose more than one reason. Question only asked of those who had been looking for work during the last 2 years and who had not used job seeker services at the Adams County Workforce & Business Center.

Table 44: Question #28b

How would you rate the quality of the services provided?	Percent of respondents*
Excellent	40%
Good	32%
Fair	6%
Poor	22%
Total	100%

*Note: Only asked of those who had been looking for work during the last 2 years and who had used job seeker services at the Adams County Workforce & Business Center.

Table 45: Question #30

How many years have you lived in Adams County?	Percent of respondents
5 years or less	24%
6 to 10 years	19%
11 to 20 years	21%
more than 20 years	36%
Total	100%
Average Length of Residency in Adams County	19 years

Table 46: Question #31

Which best describes where you currently live?	Percent of respondents
An urban area	18%
A suburban area	68%
A small town	7%
A rural area	6%
Total	100%

Table 47: Question #32

Do you rent or own your home?	Percent of respondents
Rent	32%
Own	68%
Total	100%

Table 48: Question #33

Do any children age 17 or younger live in your household?	Percent of respondents
Yes	36%
No	64%
Total	100%

Table 49: Question #34

Do you own a business in Adams County?	Percent of respondents
Yes	10%
No	90%
Total	100%

Table 50: Question #35

How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)	Percent of respondents
Less than \$24,999	21%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	21%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	41%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	16%
\$150,000 or more	2%
Total	100%

Table 51: Question #36

Are you Spanish/Hispanic/Latino?	Percent of respondents
Yes	29%
No	71%
Total	100%

Table 52: Question #37

What is your race? (Mark one or more races to indicate what race you consider yourself to be.)	Percent of respondents*
American Indian or Alaskan Native	2%
Asian, Asian Indian or Pacific Islander	5%
Black or African American	1%
White/Caucasian	82%
Other	13%

* Note: Percents add to more than 100% as respondents could choose more than one race category.

Table 53: Question #38

How much education have you completed?	Percent of respondents
0-11 years	4%
High school graduate	25%
Some college, no degree	26%
Associate degree	7%
Bachelor degree	24%
Graduate or professional degree	14%
Total	100%

Table 54: Question #39

What is your gender?	Percent of respondents
Male	48%
Female	52%
Total	100%

Table 55: Question #40

In which category is your age?	Percent of respondents
18-24 years	5%
25-34 years	26%
35-44 years	11%
45-54 years	25%
55-64 years	14%
65-74 years	10%
75 years or older	9%
Total	100%

Appendix C: Selected Survey Results by Respondent Characteristics

The following appendix includes crosstabulations of selected questions by selected respondent characteristics. Where differences between subgroups are “statistically significant” (meaning there is a less than 5% chance that differences observed are due to chance alone), they are highlighted in grey. In order to facilitate comparisons between subgroups, responses to many questions were “collapsed.” For most evaluative questions, don’t know responses were excluded from the analysis.

Crosstabulations of Selected Survey Results by Place of Residence

Area of Adams County

- Respondents in incorporated Adams County tended to give higher ratings than respondents in unincorporated areas overall and especially in the areas related to parks and recreations (e.g., recreational opportunities and availability of paths and walking trails) and public safety (e.g., sense of personal safety and emergency response times).
- Residents in unincorporated Adams County felt that run down building, weeds or junk vehicles; graffiti; and weeds and other noxious or invasive plants in open lands were problems at higher rates than those in incorporated areas.
- Residents in unincorporated and incorporated areas of the county had similar views when rating aspects of new development (i.e., area of the county, development density and costs).
- When allocating “importance” points among service categories, on average, residents in unincorporated placed more points in the area of Law Enforcement while residents in incorporated areas placed more points in the area of Human services.

Community Type

- Respondents who said they lived in small towns or rural areas rated their neighborhood as a place to live higher than respondents who said they lived in urban and suburban areas.
- Ratings of Adams County as a place to work and as a place to start and/or operate a business were highest among respondents who said they lived in suburban areas of the county.
- Small town respondents rate the sense of community, the overall appearance and the overall image or reputation of Adams County higher than those in other community types.
- Potential problems (e.g., graffiti, environmental hazards and child abuse and neglect) were rated more severely by those who said they lived in urban areas of the county than those who said they lived in suburban, small town or rural areas.
- Respondents in small towns were more likely to prefer future development in Adams County to be on open lands at the edges of existing cities and towns or on rural land than their urban, suburban and rural counterparts.
- Respondents who said they lived in rural areas of the county were more likely than respondents in other areas to rate the value of Adams County services for the taxes paid as poor, but more likely to rate the quality of the services as good.

Municipality within Adams County

- Those who lived in Aurora were more likely to give lower quality of life ratings than did those who lived in other municipalities within Adams County.
- For most community characteristics, respondents who lived in Aurora gave lower ratings on average than did those who lived in other municipalities. However, overall quality of new development in unincorporated Adams County was also given lower ratings by those living in Northglenn. Employment opportunities were given lower ratings by those who lived in Aurora, Northglenn and other municipalities compared to those who lived in Commerce City, Thornton and Westminster. Ease of bus travel received the lowest ratings by respondents who lived in Westminster compared to those who lived in the other municipalities. The overall image or reputation of Adams County was given the highest ratings by those who lived in Thornton, and the lowest by those who lived in Commerce City.
- Survey participants who lived in Aurora were more likely rate potential problems as a major or moderate problem compared to those who lived in other areas. However, Those who lived in Northglenn gave the highest problem ratings to violent crime and property crime compared to those who lived in other municipalities.
- Respondents who lived in Aurora were somewhat more likely to interested in seeing denser, walkable development than were those who lived in other municipalities.
- A majority of Aurora respondents felt that some of the costs of development should be paid by general county taxes, while this was a minority view of respondents in other areas of the county.
- In general, respondents who lived in Aurora gave the lowest ratings to the services provided by Adams County compared to those who lived in other municipalities. Often, the category containing respondents from Arvada, Bennett, Brighton and Federal Heights (smaller parts of the county that were combined for statistical purposes) gave the next lowest ratings. However, low ratings were also given by respondents who lived in Northglenn to building permits and inspections, community development, long range planning and motor vehicle registrations. Those who lived in Westminster gave fairly low ratings to traffic control.
- Respondents who lived in Commerce City or Thornton gave the highest ratings to the overall quality of services provided by Adams County, while those living in Aurora gave the lowest.
- When asked to rate the overall direction being taken by Adams County, respondents who lived in Commerce City or Thornton gave higher ratings, while those who lived in Northglenn or the grouped municipalities of Arvada, Bennett, Brighton and Federal Heights gave the lowest ratings.
- In general, those who lived in Aurora and had had contact with an Adams County employee gave higher ratings to county employees than did those who lived in other municipalities.
- Respondents who lived in Thornton gave higher ratings to the public trust items than those who lived in other municipalities. The lowest ratings tended to be given by those living in Aurora, Westminster or the grouped municipalities of Arvada, Bennett, Brighton and Federal Heights.

Table 56: Question #1 by Area Within the County

Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Adams County: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Adams County as a place to live	71%	75%	54%	80%	70%	71%
Your neighborhood as a place to live	54%	66%	41%	67%	80%	80%
Adams County as a place to raise children	56%	66%	37%	72%	74%	47%
Adams County as a place to work	45%	49%	34%	55%	38%	35%
Adams County as a place to start and/or operate a business	36%	44%	27%	53%	31%	21%
Adams County as a place to retire	53%	53%	34%	60%	55%	36%
The overall quality of life in Adams County	60%	69%	54%	71%	76%	55%

Table 57: Question #1 by Area Within the County

Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Adams County: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Adams County as a place to live	23%	78%	89%	90%	75%	73%	71%
Your neighborhood as a place to live	24%	88%	65%	85%	62%	59%	53%
Adams County as a place to raise children	11%	53%	86%	73%	73%	67%	56%
Adams County as a place to work	10%	62%	66%	51%	56%	41%	45%
Adams County as a place to start and/or operate a business	7%	59%	33%	54%	51%	44%	36%
Adams County as a place to retire	24%	53%	49%	63%	54%	52%	53%
The overall quality of life in Adams County	52%	63%	65%	80%	69%	66%	60%

Table 58: Question #3 by Area Within the County

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Adams County as a whole: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Sense of personal safety	56%	69%	60%	67%	74%	65%
Emergency response times (fire, ambulance, sheriff, etc.)	69%	84%	89%	77%	97%	64%
Sense of community	47%	46%	35%	45%	75%	69%
Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds	57%	66%	38%	71%	69%	64%
Overall appearance of Adams County	42%	54%	37%	55%	56%	53%
Overall quality of new development in unincorporated Adams County	42%	53%	41%	51%	59%	52%
Variety of housing options	50%	61%	56%	62%	39%	61%
Overall quality of business and service establishments in Adams County	50%	60%	60%	58%	52%	53%
Shopping opportunities	49%	64%	41%	67%	59%	58%
Opportunities to attend cultural activities	38%	42%	33%	40%	50%	57%
Recreational opportunities	50%	66%	48%	69%	61%	57%
Opportunities to participate in outdoor recreation or enjoy nature	51%	68%	56%	68%	63%	58%
Employment opportunities	23%	35%	31%	33%	29%	49%
Educational opportunities	35%	44%	25%	48%	24%	57%
Opportunities to participate in community matters	45%	53%	31%	54%	65%	62%
Ease of car travel in Adams County	62%	61%	39%	66%	68%	62%
Ease of bus travel in Adams County	41%	48%	72%	44%	21%	46%
Availability of paths and walking trails	55%	70%	78%	68%	47%	61%
Traffic flow on major streets	43%	43%	24%	47%	46%	52%
Availability of affordable quality housing	49%	51%	40%	52%	54%	62%
Availability of affordable quality child care	27%	43%	36%	40%	38%	70%
Availability of affordable quality health care	46%	47%	37%	48%	39%	60%
Availability of recycling services	38%	51%	41%	51%	41%	54%
Drinking water quality	57%	67%	45%	74%	45%	54%
Overall image or reputation of Adams County	40%	59%	41%	58%	72%	49%

Table 59: Question #3 by Area Within the County

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Adams County as a whole: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Sense of personal safety	38%	73%	70%	87%	63%	61%	56%
Emergency response times (fire, ambulance, sheriff, etc.)	87%	78%	95%	91%	76%	79%	69%
Sense of community	12%	61%	45%	55%	43%	59%	47%
Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds	15%	47%	56%	83%	83%	36%	58%
Overall appearance of Adams County	16%	58%	65%	77%	47%	41%	42%
Overall quality of new development in unincorporated Adams County	23%	67%	14%	78%	40%	65%	41%
Variety of housing options	43%	56%	37%	79%	71%	25%	50%
Overall quality of business and service establishments in Adams County	46%	58%	36%	72%	61%	49%	49%
Shopping opportunities	22%	51%	68%	71%	76%	57%	49%
Opportunities to attend cultural activities	11%	41%	31%	64%	27%	61%	38%
Recreational opportunities	48%	39%	47%	78%	68%	80%	50%
Opportunities to participate in outdoor recreation or enjoy nature	50%	59%	60%	78%	70%	70%	51%
Employment opportunities	3%	42%	15%	44%	52%	22%	24%
Educational opportunities	8%	30%	24%	69%	47%	32%	36%
Opportunities to participate in community matters	18%	38%	50%	72%	52%	44%	45%
Ease of car travel in Adams County	25%	68%	58%	66%	67%	59%	62%
Ease of bus travel in Adams County	78%	67%	46%	61%	27%	51%	41%
Availability of paths and walking trails	91%	74%	76%	80%	65%	38%	55%
Traffic flow on major streets	13%	41%	57%	59%	44%	21%	43%
Availability of affordable quality housing	20%	64%	47%	66%	52%	30%	49%
Availability of affordable quality child care	9%	34%	66%	54%	51%	13%	27%
Availability of affordable quality health care	23%	43%	27%	69%	48%	34%	45%
Availability of recycling services	15%	79%	73%	76%	35%	37%	38%
Drinking water quality	52%	19%	74%	71%	86%	34%	58%
Overall image or reputation of Adams County	50%	33%	54%	77%	57%	44%	40%

Table 60: Question #4 by Area Within the County

How prepared are you and your household for a disaster or emergency (e.g., flood, tornado, blizzard, etc.)?	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Very prepared	8%	6%	7%	6%	12%	7%
Somewhat prepared	50%	41%	37%	45%	41%	37%
A little bit prepared	29%	36%	37%	35%	39%	29%
Not at all prepared	12%	17%	19%	15%	8%	27%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 61: Question #4 by Area Within the County

How prepared are you and your household for a disaster or emergency (e.g., flood, tornado, blizzard, etc.)?	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Very prepared	0%	21%	3%	8%	3%	9%	8%
Somewhat prepared	19%	48%	39%	59%	35%	38%	50%
A little bit prepared	51%	16%	37%	22%	45%	38%	30%
Not at all prepared	30%	15%	21%	11%	17%	16%	12%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 62: Question #5 by Area Within the County

To what degree, if at all, are each of the following a problem in Adams County? (Percent rating as "Major" or "Moderate Problem")	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Run down buildings, weed lots or junk vehicles	65%	47%	60%	50%	36%	48%
Graffiti	62%	44%	61%	47%	22%	45%
Violent crime (e.g., sexual assault, robbery)	57%	51%	57%	52%	45%	46%
Property crimes (e.g., burglary, theft)	63%	56%	59%	59%	48%	51%
Environmental hazards, including toxic waste	50%	31%	54%	29%	41%	32%
Weeds and other noxious or invasive plants in open lands	65%	48%	66%	48%	47%	56%
Child abuse and neglect	51%	46%	65%	45%	35%	31%
Neglect, exploitation or mistreatment of at-risk adults	42%	45%	48%	45%	44%	25%

Table 63: Question #5 by Area Within the County

To what degree, if at all, are each of the following a problem in Adams County? (Percent rating as "Major" or "Moderate Problem")	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Run down buildings, weed lots or junk vehicles	93%	41%	38%	34%	51%	40%	65%
Graffiti	85%	30%	34%	36%	43%	43%	63%
Violent crime (e.g., sexual assault, robbery)	65%	45%	72%	35%	56%	46%	57%
Property crimes (e.g., burglary, theft)	61%	54%	72%	35%	69%	56%	64%
Environmental hazards, including toxic waste	83%	28%	48%	24%	24%	18%	50%
Weeds and other noxious or invasive plants in open lands	91%	49%	71%	34%	42%	31%	66%
Child abuse and neglect	93%	61%	71%	27%	50%	19%	51%
Neglect, exploitation or mistreatment of at-risk adults	59%	38%	59%	33%	50%	32%	42%

Table 64: Question #6 by Area Within the County

How well is Adams County retaining existing businesses and attracting new businesses?	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Excellent	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%
Good	13%	21%	6%	21%	41%	10%
Fair	28%	21%	14%	23%	34%	20%
Poor	18%	12%	18%	11%	6%	17%
Don't Know	36%	44%	61%	40%	17%	47%
It is not the job of Adams County to retain and attract businesses	5%	2%	0%	3%	1%	4%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 65: Question #6 by Area Within the County

How well is Adams County retaining existing businesses and attracting new businesses?	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Excellent	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	7%	0%
Good	5%	7%	10%	34%	17%	30%	12%
Fair	9%	17%	30%	28%	19%	14%	27%
Poor	31%	26%	10%	7%	10%	3%	18%
Don't Know	55%	46%	50%	31%	51%	38%	37%
It is not the job of Adams County to retain and attract businesses	0%	4%	0%	0%	1%	10%	5%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 66: Question #8 by Area Within the County

Please tell us where most future development in Adams County should be located. (Please check only one.)	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Within already developed communities with available buildings or unused land	78%	74%	76%	76%	58%	83%
On open land at the edges of existing cities and towns	21%	21%	24%	20%	29%	15%
On rural land	1%	4%	0%	4%	13%	2%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 67: Question #8 by Area Within the County

Please tell us where most future development in Adams County should be located. (Please check only one.)	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Within already developed communities with available buildings or unused land	91%	64%	87%	67%	82%	49%	79%
On open land at the edges of existing cities and towns	9%	33%	13%	29%	13%	41%	20%
On rural land	0%	3%	1%	5%	5%	10%	1%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 68: Question #9 by Area Within the County

What type of new development density would you be most interested in seeing in unincorporated Adams County?	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Housing should be on larger lots and buildings should be spread out, similar to the “typical” suburban neighborhoods and shopping areas	50%	55%	48%	56%	48%	65%
Residential and commercial development should be more dense, and close to each other, making it easier to walk from place to place	37%	31%	46%	31%	22%	22%
Housing and commercial development on very large lots within rural areas	12%	13%	5%	14%	31%	13%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 69: Question #9 by Area Within the County

What type of new development density would you be most interested in seeing in unincorporated Adams County?	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Housing should be on larger lots and buildings should be spread out, similar to the “typical” suburban neighborhoods and shopping areas	51%	71%	66%	65%	40%	65%	50%
Residential and commercial development should be more dense, and close to each other, making it easier to walk from place to place	47%	24%	33%	26%	37%	14%	37%
Housing and commercial development on very large lots within rural areas	2%	5%	1%	8%	23%	20%	13%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 70: Question #10 by Area Within the County

Do you think the costs of new development should be paid for by the residents of new development, or should the county use general taxes to assist with the development?	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Development should pay for itself	55%	44%	34%	51%	24%	53%
General county tax dollars should fund development	3%	9%	19%	6%	9%	1%
Some of the costs for development should be paid by general county taxes	26%	29%	39%	26%	38%	19%
Don't know	16%	17%	8%	17%	29%	27%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 71: Question #10 by Area Within the County

Do you think the costs of new development should be paid for by the residents of new development, or should the county use general taxes to assist with the development?	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Development should pay for itself	16%	60%	32%	41%	57%	30%	54%
General county tax dollars should fund development	9%	3%	7%	12%	5%	20%	4%
Some of the costs for development should be paid by general county taxes	62%	21%	22%	26%	28%	27%	26%
Don't know	13%	15%	39%	20%	9%	23%	16%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 72: Question #11 by Area Within the County

Please rate the quality of each of the following services provided by other agencies (i.e., special districts and metro districts), not by Adams County. (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Public school districts	51%	54%	26%	63%	52%	42%
Fire services	81%	91%	92%	91%	72%	76%
Water and sanitation services	65%	83%	76%	82%	87%	60%
Street and drainage maintenance services	49%	66%	47%	70%	49%	56%
Library services	71%	80%	66%	85%	86%	45%
Park and recreation services	65%	85%	69%	85%	93%	73%

Table 73: Question #11 by Area Within the County

Please rate the quality of each of the following services provided by other agencies (i.e., special districts and metro districts), not by Adams County. (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Public school districts	20%	56%	33%	52%	67%	80%	50%
Fire services	95%	79%	91%	94%	96%	73%	80%
Water and sanitation services	86%	58%	81%	88%	85%	73%	65%
Street and drainage maintenance services	61%	52%	63%	62%	75%	63%	48%
Library services	61%	84%	92%	78%	80%	97%	70%
Park and recreation services	62%	81%	79%	89%	89%	85%	64%

Table 74: Question #12 by Area Within the County

Please rate the quality of each of the following services provided by Adams County: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Adams County open space, parks and trails system	68%	78%	57%	80%	91%	77%
Animal Shelter / Adoption Center	59%	61%	69%	54%	71%	66%
Building permits and inspections	43%	54%	50%	51%	59%	40%
Collection of property taxes	57%	56%	44%	58%	53%	52%
Community development (build the capacity of citizen groups and community organizations so they may enhance the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of our communities)	34%	35%	19%	38%	44%	44%
County courts	58%	52%	37%	56%	78%	42%
Development standards and regulations (sets standards and regulations for the unincorporated areas of the county to guide development to protect and promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of the county)	39%	49%	29%	53%	53%	39%
Drainage and storm sewer infrastructure (adequate to handle storm events and prevent flooding) in unincorporated Adams County	47%	51%	26%	63%	30%	35%
Economic development (identify and encourage investments by businesses, creating new jobs)	23%	30%	14%	33%	38%	26%
Elections and voter registrations	65%	58%	30%	67%	50%	69%
Emergency management (coordinates the efforts in coping with emergencies, disasters and terrorist threats by preparing, responding, recovering and mitigating incidents)	50%	50%	28%	55%	72%	44%
Employment assistance programs through the Workforce & Business Center	37%	38%	39%	37%	46%	32%
Enforcement of county codes, ordinances and regulations (building codes, zoning and development regulations, Blight Ordinance enforcement for the removal of junk and weeds, graffiti removal)	33%	37%	32%	34%	66%	46%
Housing assistance services (emergency housing, rental assistance, down payment assistance for first-time home buyers, etc.)	32%	39%	39%	41%	26%	39%
Long range planning (administers and updates the Comprehensive Long Range Plan, coordinates with both local and regional stakeholders in planning for the current and future needs of the county)	29%	43%	26%	49%	31%	26%
Motor vehicle registration	55%	54%	34%	59%	58%	45%
Online (internet) property lookup	59%	55%	31%	64%	41%	78%

Please rate the quality of each of the following services provided by Adams County: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Public records and documents searches	52%	56%	40%	61%	44%	65%
Roadway maintenance of paved and graveled roads in unincorporated Adams County	34%	33%	25%	37%	21%	33%
Services provided to financially challenged families, programs like Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Military Assistance Program, Food Assistance (SNAP/Food Stamps), etc.	36%	40%	34%	42%	37%	44%
Services provided to protect children suspected of being abused or neglected	42%	37%	21%	38%	72%	44%
Services provided to vulnerable adults suspected of being abused or neglected	38%	43%	27%	44%	63%	38%
Sheriff services	59%	55%	31%	61%	88%	49%
Snow and ice removal in unincorporated Adams County	54%	33%	40%	37%	39%	41%
Traffic control (street lights, signs, etc.) in unincorporated Adams County	61%	47%	46%	50%	58%	55%

Table 75: Question #12 by Area Within the County

Please rate the quality of each of the following services provided by Adams County: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Adams County open space, parks and trails system	52%	79%	89%	82%	81%	78%	67%
Animal Shelter / Adoption Center	60%	77%	64%	61%	55%	56%	58%
Building permits and inspections	12%	76%	17%	67%	61%	50%	42%
Collection of property taxes	33%	80%	61%	63%	54%	43%	56%
Community development (build the capacity of citizen groups and community organizations so they may enhance the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of our communities)	6%	45%	4%	59%	31%	42%	34%
County courts	17%	59%	63%	60%	54%	65%	58%
Development standards and regulations (sets standards and regulations for the unincorporated areas of the county to guide development to protect and promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of the county)	13%	75%	35%	59%	41%	67%	38%
Drainage and storm sewer infrastructure (adequate to handle storm events and prevent flooding) in unincorporated Adams County	16%	51%	61%	58%	70%	16%	47%
Economic development (identify and encourage investments by businesses, creating new jobs)	8%	53%	48%	34%	30%	20%	22%
Elections and voter registrations	21%	66%	76%	70%	64%	29%	65%
Emergency management (coordinates the efforts in coping with emergencies, disasters and terrorist threats by preparing, responding, recovering and mitigating incidents)	14%	56%	86%	55%	51%	47%	50%
Employment assistance programs through the Workforce & Business Center	41%	52%	41%	39%	35%	33%	35%
Enforcement of county codes, ordinances and regulations (building codes, zoning and development regulations, Blight Ordinance enforcement for the removal of junk and weeds, graffiti removal)	8%	61%	67%	48%	31%	33%	33%
Housing assistance services (emergency housing, rental assistance, down payment assistance for first-time home buyers, etc.)	19%	64%	14%	58%	42%	20%	31%
Long range planning (administers and updates the Comprehensive Long Range Plan, coordinates with both local and regional stakeholders in planning for the current and future needs of the county)	22%	42%	22%	42%	54%	73%	28%
Motor vehicle registration	27%	79%	36%	71%	56%	33%	54%
Online (internet) property lookup	22%	84%	54%	56%	56%	67%	59%

Please rate the quality of each of the following services provided by Adams County: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Public records and documents searches	22%	84%	67%	66%	57%	39%	52%
Roadway maintenance of paved and graveled roads in unincorporated Adams County	17%	50%	29%	50%	33%	13%	34%
Services provided to financially challenged families, programs like Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Military Assistance Program, Food Assistance (SNAP/Food Stamps), etc.	7%	68%	49%	60%	43%	21%	35%
Services provided to protect children suspected of being abused or neglected	6%	79%	66%	37%	49%	40%	38%
Services provided to vulnerable adults suspected of being abused or neglected	8%	81%	73%	46%	50%	45%	37%
Sheriff services	15%	88%	49%	63%	62%	63%	59%
Snow and ice removal in unincorporated Adams County	4%	68%	63%	42%	31%	3%	54%
Traffic control (street lights, signs, etc.) in unincorporated Adams County	13%	74%	75%	67%	38%	27%	60%

Table 76: Question #13 by Area Within the County

Looking at the services in Question 12, which FIVE (5) services do you think are MOST important for maintaining and improving the quality of life in Adams County?	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Adams County open space, parks and trails system	29%	37%	22%	39%	35%	26%
Animal Shelter / Adoption Center	8%	14%	10%	13%	19%	4%
Building permits and inspections	8%	7%	19%	4%	3%	14%
Collection of property taxes	5%	8%	9%	8%	4%	7%
Community development (build the capacity of citizen groups and community organizations so they may enhance the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of our communities)	19%	18%	25%	18%	5%	18%
County courts	13%	16%	15%	16%	4%	15%
Development standards and regulations (sets standards and regulations for the unincorporated areas of the county to guide development to protect and promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of the county)	26%	16%	30%	15%	16%	32%
Drainage and storm sewer infrastructure (adequate to handle storm events and prevent flooding) in unincorporated Adams County	21%	19%	15%	18%	49%	25%
Economic development (identify and encourage investments by businesses, creating new jobs)	31%	31%	40%	29%	20%	38%
Elections and voter registrations	6%	8%	7%	8%	2%	9%
Emergency management (coordinates the efforts in coping with emergencies, disasters and terrorist threats by preparing, responding, recovering and mitigating incidents)	26%	34%	35%	31%	40%	22%
Employment assistance programs through the Workforce & Business Center	17%	14%	14%	14%	21%	11%
Enforcement of county codes, ordinances and regulations (building codes, zoning and development regulations, Blight Ordinance enforcement for the removal of junk and weeds, graffiti removal)	33%	31%	29%	34%	14%	22%
Housing assistance services (emergency housing, rental assistance, down payment assistance for first-time home buyers, etc.)	14%	22%	13%	23%	20%	9%
Long range planning (administers and updates the Comprehensive Long Range Plan, coordinates with both local and regional stakeholders in planning for the current and future needs of the county)	23%	29%	18%	33%	3%	33%
Motor vehicle registration	18%	9%	12%	11%	5%	19%
Online (internet) property lookup	1%	2%	0%	1%	14%	0%

Looking at the services in Question 12, which FIVE (5) services do you think are MOST important for maintaining and improving the quality of life in Adams County?	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Public records and documents searches	6%	5%	17%	3%	2%	2%
Roadway maintenance of paved and graveled roads in unincorporated Adams County	43%	46%	50%	44%	39%	54%
Services provided to financially challenged families, programs like Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Military Assistance Program, Food Assistance (SNAP/Food Stamps), etc.	12%	19%	36%	12%	29%	7%
Services provided to protect children suspected of being abused or neglected	24%	26%	12%	28%	34%	13%
Services provided to vulnerable adults suspected of being abused or neglected	12%	13%	12%	13%	26%	4%
Sheriff services	38%	25%	16%	31%	18%	40%
Snow and ice removal in unincorporated Adams County	29%	25%	15%	26%	45%	37%
Traffic control (street lights, signs, etc.) in unincorporated Adams County	18%	15%	9%	16%	24%	28%

Note: Percents add to more than 100% as respondents could choose up to five services; tests of statistical significance could not be performed

Table 77: Question #13 by Area Within the County

Looking at the services in Question 12, which FIVE (5) services do you think are MOST important for maintaining and improving the quality of life in Adams County?	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Adams County open space, parks and trails system	19%	28%	17%	45%	47%	17%	29%
Animal Shelter / Adoption Center	4%	10%	10%	6%	24%	11%	8%
Building permits and inspections	13%	0%	10%	12%	4%	6%	8%
Collection of property taxes	2%	5%	2%	16%	4%	13%	6%
Community development (build the capacity of citizen groups and community organizations so they may enhance the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of our communities)	56%	20%	22%	22%	8%	15%	19%
County courts	2%	4%	20%	17%	24%	0%	12%
Development standards and regulations (sets standards and regulations for the unincorporated areas of the county to guide development to protect and promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of the county)	22%	3%	7%	16%	15%	31%	26%
Drainage and storm sewer infrastructure (adequate to handle storm events and prevent flooding) in unincorporated Adams County	9%	19%	40%	21%	12%	32%	21%
Economic development (identify and encourage investments by businesses, creating new jobs)	68%	23%	24%	39%	24%	22%	32%
Elections and voter registrations	3%	26%	9%	10%	6%	0%	6%
Emergency management (coordinates the efforts in coping with emergencies, disasters and terrorist threats by preparing, responding, recovering and mitigating incidents)	64%	33%	56%	20%	34%	33%	27%
Employment assistance programs through the Workforce & Business Center	12%	40%	11%	12%	12%	8%	17%
Enforcement of county codes, ordinances and regulations (building codes, zoning and development regulations, Blight Ordinance enforcement for the removal of junk and weeds, graffiti removal)	17%	17%	14%	23%	45%	30%	33%
Housing assistance services (emergency housing, rental assistance, down payment assistance for first-time home buyers, etc.)	1%	8%	22%	13%	26%	49%	14%
Long range planning (administers and updates the Comprehensive Long Range Plan, coordinates with both local and regional stakeholders in planning for the current and future needs of the county)	12%	16%	15%	34%	33%	32%	23%
Motor vehicle registration	11%	4%	12%	18%	6%	0%	18%

Looking at the services in Question 12, which FIVE (5) services do you think are MOST important for maintaining and improving the quality of life in Adams County?	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Online (internet) property lookup	1%	7%	15%	0%	0%	0%	1%
Public records and documents searches	1%	2%	0%	12%	4%	0%	5%
Roadway maintenance of paved and graveled roads in unincorporated Adams County	62%	47%	47%	48%	42%	40%	42%
Services provided to financially challenged families, programs like Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Military Assistance Program, Food Assistance (SNAP/Food Stamps), etc.	60%	12%	4%	19%	14%	28%	12%
Services provided to protect children suspected of being abused or neglected	18%	28%	35%	22%	24%	36%	25%
Services provided to vulnerable adults suspected of being abused or neglected	7%	2%	33%	5%	18%	11%	13%
Sheriff services	8%	41%	15%	20%	36%	6%	38%
Snow and ice removal in unincorporated Adams County	18%	43%	24%	21%	16%	57%	29%
Traffic control (street lights, signs, etc.) in unincorporated Adams County	7%	34%	17%	13%	12%	16%	19%

Note: Percents add to more than 100% as respondents could choose up to five services; tests of statistical significance could not be performed

Table 78: Question #14 by Area Within the County

Looking at the services in Question 12, which FIVE (5) services do you think are LEAST important for maintaining and improving the quality of life in Adams County?	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Adams County open space, parks and trails system	16%	16%	24%	14%	24%	10%
Animal Shelter / Adoption Center	28%	23%	21%	25%	31%	11%
Building permits and inspections	18%	24%	18%	25%	21%	21%
Collection of property taxes	20%	18%	36%	13%	21%	22%
Community development (build the capacity of citizen groups and community organizations so they may enhance the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of our communities)	20%	15%	17%	15%	16%	29%
County courts	17%	9%	9%	11%	8%	11%
Development standards and regulations (sets standards and regulations for the unincorporated areas of the county to guide development to protect and promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of the county)	23%	18%	19%	17%	18%	28%
Drainage and storm sewer infrastructure (adequate to handle storm events and prevent flooding) in unincorporated Adams County	4%	5%	1%	6%	6%	4%
Economic development (identify and encourage investments by businesses, creating new jobs)	14%	24%	22%	24%	8%	9%
Elections and voter registrations	32%	28%	15%	30%	28%	40%
Emergency management (coordinates the efforts in coping with emergencies, disasters and terrorist threats by preparing, responding, recovering and mitigating incidents)	8%	5%	4%	7%	2%	9%
Employment assistance programs through the Workforce & Business Center	12%	8%	3%	9%	19%	17%
Enforcement of county codes, ordinances and regulations (building codes, zoning and development regulations, Blight Ordinance enforcement for the removal of junk and weeds, graffiti removal)	9%	10%	3%	10%	29%	6%
Housing assistance services (emergency housing, rental assistance, down payment assistance for first-time home buyers, etc.)	26%	17%	8%	20%	12%	44%
Long range planning (administers and updates the Comprehensive Long Range Plan, coordinates with both local and regional stakeholders in planning for the current and future needs of the county)	12%	22%	35%	14%	49%	6%
Motor vehicle registration	18%	19%	35%	14%	28%	20%
Online (internet) property lookup	49%	51%	61%	49%	54%	43%
Public records and documents searches	38%	52%	48%	52%	43%	36%
Roadway maintenance of paved and graveled roads in unincorporated Adams County	3%	6%	1%	7%	0%	6%
Services provided to financially challenged families, programs like Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Military Assistance Program, Food Assistance (SNAP/Food Stamps), etc.	19%	14%	7%	17%	4%	26%

Looking at the services in Question 12, which FIVE (5) services do you think are LEAST important for maintaining and improving the quality of life in Adams County?	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Services provided to protect children suspected of being abused or neglected	4%	2%	0%	3%	7%	6%
Services provided to vulnerable adults suspected of being abused or neglected	12%	8%	6%	9%	7%	17%
Sheriff services	12%	4%	2%	6%	4%	13%
Snow and ice removal in unincorporated Adams County	7%	12%	8%	12%	10%	9%
Traffic control (street lights, signs, etc.) in unincorporated Adams County	14%	12%	16%	10%	22%	13%

Note: Percents add to more than 100% as respondents could choose up to five services; tests of statistical significance could not be performed

Table 79: Question #14 by Area Within the County

Looking at the services in Question 12, which FIVE (5) services do you think are LEAST important for maintaining and improving the quality of life in Adams County?	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Adams County open space, parks and trails system	10%	0%	45%	26%	10%	4%	16%
Animal Shelter / Adoption Center	13%	21%	4%	21%	27%	35%	27%
Building permits and inspections	5%	51%	10%	21%	29%	27%	19%
Collection of property taxes	63%	3%	8%	9%	19%	26%	20%
Community development (build the capacity of citizen groups and community organizations so they may enhance the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of our communities)	7%	0%	27%	24%	10%	19%	20%
County courts	10%	24%	12%	10%	7%	3%	16%
Development standards and regulations (sets standards and regulations for the unincorporated areas of the county to guide development to protect and promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of the county)	5%	58%	3%	11%	23%	12%	23%
Drainage and storm sewer infrastructure (adequate to handle storm events and prevent flooding) in unincorporated Adams County	2%	1%	10%	9%	2%	5%	4%
Economic development (identify and encourage investments by businesses, creating new jobs)	9%	0%	38%	27%	30%	6%	15%
Elections and voter registrations	7%	17%	15%	24%	30%	59%	32%
Emergency management (coordinates the efforts in coping with emergencies, disasters and terrorist threats by preparing, responding, recovering and mitigating incidents)	0%	0%	0%	9%	5%	3%	8%
Employment assistance programs through the Workforce & Business Center	2%	16%	23%	9%	6%	2%	12%
Enforcement of county codes, ordinances and regulations (building codes, zoning and development regulations, Blight Ordinance enforcement for the removal of junk and weeds, graffiti removal)	0%	14%	31%	4%	6%	31%	9%
Housing assistance services (emergency housing, rental assistance, down payment assistance for first-time home buyers, etc.)	13%	1%	25%	16%	21%	13%	26%

Looking at the services in Question 12, which FIVE (5) services do you think are LEAST important for maintaining and improving the quality of life in Adams County?	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Long range planning (administers and updates the Comprehensive Long Range Plan, coordinates with both local and regional stakeholders in planning for the current and future needs of the county)	66%	19%	35%	10%	12%	47%	11%
Motor vehicle registration	63%	40%	2%	10%	19%	17%	18%
Online (internet) property lookup	76%	34%	44%	51%	43%	78%	49%
Public records and documents searches	74%	45%	40%	33%	63%	63%	38%
Roadway maintenance of paved and graveled roads in unincorporated Adams County	2%	3%	4%	18%	0%	1%	3%
Services provided to financially challenged families, programs like Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Military Assistance Program, Food Assistance (SNAP/Food Stamps), etc.	7%	14%	31%	8%	17%	0%	19%
Services provided to protect children suspected of being abused or neglected	1%	13%	0%	1%	3%	0%	4%
Services provided to vulnerable adults suspected of being abused or neglected	11%	9%	0%	9%	11%	0%	12%
Sheriff services	9%	0%	9%	0%	7%	2%	12%
Snow and ice removal in unincorporated Adams County	7%	28%	5%	16%	12%	2%	7%
Traffic control (street lights, signs, etc.) in unincorporated Adams County	8%	28%	27%	14%	2%	24%	14%

Note: Percents add to more than 100% as respondents could choose up to five services; tests of statistical significance could not be performed

Table 80: Question #15 by Area Within the County

Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by Adams County?	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Excellent	4%	8%	10%	6%	7%	3%
Good	46%	49%	31%	52%	54%	56%
Fair	38%	34%	52%	32%	29%	31%
Poor	7%	5%	3%	5%	7%	7%
Don't know	4%	4%	5%	4%	3%	3%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 81: Question #15 by Area Within the County

Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by Adams County?	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Excellent	1%	9%	1%	19%	3%	4%	4%
Good	20%	59%	51%	59%	51%	39%	46%
Fair	68%	25%	45%	19%	32%	43%	39%
Poor	6%	2%	1%	1%	8%	5%	8%
Don't know	5%	4%	1%	2%	5%	10%	4%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 82: Question #16 by Area Within the County

How would you rate the value of services you receive from Adams County for the taxes paid?	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Excellent	4%	3%	1%	4%	6%	0%
Good	31%	36%	31%	37%	43%	17%
Fair	39%	35%	39%	35%	36%	33%
Poor	20%	12%	5%	15%	11%	25%
Don't know	7%	14%	25%	8%	4%	25%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 83: Question #16 by Area Within the County

How would you rate the value of services you receive from Adams County for the taxes paid?	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Excellent	0%	0%	1%	7%	2%	5%	4%
Good	15%	42%	15%	34%	49%	33%	30%
Fair	48%	34%	44%	40%	28%	30%	38%
Poor	3%	21%	13%	4%	15%	21%	20%
Don't know	34%	4%	27%	14%	6%	11%	7%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 84: Question #17 by Area Within the County

How informed would you say you are about the job Adams County government is doing?	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Very well informed	3%	3%	6%	2%	0%	3%
Informed	14%	13%	4%	15%	27%	8%
Somewhat informed	48%	44%	46%	46%	46%	37%
Hardly informed at all	26%	28%	18%	31%	20%	26%
Don't Know	9%	13%	26%	6%	7%	27%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 85: Question #17 by Area Within the County

How informed would you say you are about the job Adams County government is doing?	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Very well informed	1%	18%	1%	2%	2%	0%	3%
Informed	4%	4%	13%	16%	11%	25%	14%
Somewhat informed	53%	25%	31%	40%	49%	53%	49%
Hardly informed at all	7%	48%	27%	30%	34%	11%	26%
Don't Know	35%	5%	27%	13%	4%	11%	8%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 86: Question #18 by Area Within the County

How much of the time do you think you can trust Adams County government to do what is right?	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Always	4%	3%	3%	4%	0%	0%
Most of the time	35%	43%	46%	44%	29%	27%
Only some of the time	48%	43%	37%	42%	60%	58%
Almost never	6%	5%	6%	6%	1%	4%
Never	7%	6%	8%	5%	9%	11%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 87: Question #18 by Area Within the County

How much of the time do you think you can trust Adams County government to do what is right?	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Always	0%	0%	0%	7%	2%	3%	4%
Most of the time	18%	65%	17%	47%	54%	27%	35%
Only some of the time	78%	27%	71%	34%	34%	49%	48%
Almost never	2%	7%	13%	7%	4%	3%	5%
Never	2%	1%	0%	6%	6%	18%	7%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 88: Question #19 by Area Within the County

Overall, how would you rate the overall direction that Adams County is taking?	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Excellent	1%	7%	15%	5%	0%	0%
Good	30%	38%	33%	36%	37%	42%
Fair	46%	34%	33%	38%	43%	33%
Poor	7%	7%	4%	7%	15%	18%
Don't know	16%	14%	15%	14%	4%	7%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 89: Question #19 by Area Within the County

Overall, how would you rate the overall direction that Adams County is taking?	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Excellent	0%	24%	1%	13%	5%	0%	1%
Good	43%	30%	15%	46%	39%	28%	29%
Fair	40%	24%	68%	32%	25%	48%	46%
Poor	6%	13%	3%	1%	12%	9%	7%
Don't know	11%	9%	12%	9%	19%	15%	16%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 90: Question #20 by Area Within the County

Have you had any in-person, phone or email contact with an Adams County employee, regardless of department or office, within the last 12 months (including sheriff, receptionists, planners, engineers or any others)?	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
No	56%	64%	61%	61%	85%	62%
Yes	44%	36%	39%	39%	15%	38%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 91: Question #20 by Area Within the County

Have you had any in-person, phone or email contact with an Adams County employee, regardless of department or office, within the last 12 months (including sheriff, receptionists, planners, engineers or any others)?	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
No	64%	49%	80%	71%	51%	88%	55%
Yes	36%	51%	20%	29%	49%	12%	45%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 92: Question #21 by Area Within the County

What was your impression of the Adams County employee in your most recent contact? (Rate each characteristic below.) (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Knowledge	71%	83%	79%	83%	75%	65%
Responsiveness	66%	75%	45%	82%	75%	64%
Respectfulness	74%	82%	79%	83%	79%	58%
Courtesy	74%	81%	79%	81%	83%	58%
Overall impression	68%	81%	79%	80%	78%	58%

Table 93: Question #21 by Area Within the County

What was your impression of the Adams County employee in your most recent contact? (Rate each characteristic below.) (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Knowledge	100%	58%	75%	78%	88%	82%	71%
Responsiveness	16%	58%	90%	78%	90%	77%	66%
Respectfulness	93%	49%	78%	81%	88%	80%	74%
Courtesy	91%	52%	78%	74%	88%	80%	74%
Overall impression	93%	51%	78%	78%	87%	80%	68%

Table 94: Question #22 by Area Within the County

<p>Pretend for a moment that you are responsible for making decisions about service provisions in Adams County that require difficult trade-offs. Now say you have a total of 100 “importance” points that you can distribute among 6 service categories. Please give each category the number of points you think it deserves based on how important you think this is to the quality of community life in Adams County. The most important category should receive the largest number of points. (You must use all but not more than 100 points. You do not have to give points to every category. In fact, if you would like to assign all of the points to 1, 2 or 3 categories and 0 points to all of the others, you may do so). Average Number of Points</p>	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Community Services (includes development review, including long-range planning, fostering public / private partnerships, code enforcement, sustainability efforts to save taxpayer dollars and reduce the county’s impact on the environment, funds to help rehab a home or business, public health services including immunization clinics, mosquito control, open space, parks, trails, etc.)	18	17	14	19	18	16
Economic Development (includes attracting and retaining businesses and jobs)	14	16	12	16	14	15
Human Services (includes unemployment assistance, workforce training, child protection, adult protection, services for financially challenged families, Head Start, etc.)	14	19	23	17	18	14
Law Enforcement (includes Sheriff patrol, crime prevention, jail, District Attorney, prosecution, courts, etc.)	23	20	21	20	18	26
Public Services (includes maintaining official public records, Clerk and Recorder functions such as marriage licenses, elections, Assessor's valuation of property, Coroner, Treasurer, etc.)	11	11	10	10	12	12
Transportation Infrastructure (includes maintenance and construction of roads, bridges, drainage systems; snow removal, sidewalk construction, etc.)	20	18	20	18	18	18

Table 95: Question #22 by Area Within the County

<p>Pretend for a moment that you are responsible for making decisions about service provisions in Adams County that require difficult trade-offs. Now say you have a total of 100 “importance” points that you can distribute among 6 service categories. Please give each category the number of points you think it deserves based on how important you think this is to the quality of community life in Adams County. The most important category should receive the largest number of points. (You must use all but not more than 100 points. You do not have to give points to every category. In fact, if you would like to assign all of the points to 1, 2 or 3 categories and 0 points to all of the others, you may do so). Average Number of Points</p>	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Community Services (includes development review, including long-range planning, fostering public / private partnerships, code enforcement, sustainability efforts to save taxpayer dollars and reduce the county’s impact on the environment, funds to help rehab a home or business, public health services including immunization clinics, mosquito control, open space, parks, trails, etc.)	9	16	17	20	17	22	18
Economic Development (includes attracting and retaining businesses and jobs)	10	14	14	16	17	14	14
Human Services (includes unemployment assistance, workforce training, child protection, adult protection, services for financially challenged families, Head Start, etc.)	23	10	23	20	17	19	14
Law Enforcement (includes Sheriff patrol, crime prevention, jail, District Attorney, prosecution, courts, etc.)	25	32	19	18	18	17	24
Public Services (includes maintaining official public records, Clerk and Recorder functions such as marriage licenses, elections, Assessor’s valuation of property, Coroner, Treasurer, etc.)	12	6	11	10	11	13	11
Transportation Infrastructure (includes maintenance and construction of roads, bridges, drainage systems; snow removal, sidewalk construction, etc.)	20	23	15	16	19	16	20

Table 96: Question #23 by Area Within the County

Please rate how well Adams County is currently doing in each of the following areas: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Welcoming resident involvement	27%	41%	40%	40%	51%	18%
Being responsive to residents	34%	49%	53%	43%	47%	53%
Generally acting in the best interest of the community	36%	52%	41%	53%	39%	48%
Informing residents about issues facing the community	30%	39%	46%	34%	34%	48%
Accessibility of elected officials	26%	31%	20%	30%	34%	43%
Being open and transparent to the public	18%	35%	29%	33%	21%	37%
Giving residents a chance to express their views before making decisions	28%	41%	47%	37%	29%	41%
Being honest	27%	40%	40%	38%	24%	39%
Treating residents with fairness and respect	36%	51%	36%	53%	41%	41%

Table 97: Question #23 by Area Within the County

Please rate how well Adams County is currently doing in each of the following areas: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Welcoming resident involvement	43%	47%	14%	44%	38%	51%	27%
Being responsive to residents	40%	45%	40%	62%	36%	50%	34%
Generally acting in the best interest of the community	47%	29%	38%	71%	54%	24%	35%
Informing residents about issues facing the community	38%	47%	31%	67%	21%	23%	29%
Accessibility of elected officials	11%	34%	26%	54%	19%	14%	26%
Being open and transparent to the public	9%	24%	21%	60%	30%	17%	17%
Giving residents a chance to express their views before making decisions	46%	42%	23%	61%	27%	14%	27%
Being honest	16%	51%	19%	64%	33%	14%	26%
Treating residents with fairness and respect	23%	35%	28%	72%	53%	33%	36%

Table 98: Question #24 by Area Within the County

How familiar are you with the Open Adams reform measures that Adams County is undertaking?	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Very familiar	1%	2%	1%	2%	3%	2%
Somewhat familiar	12%	10%	21%	6%	28%	12%
A little bit familiar	16%	21%	38%	17%	18%	11%
Not at all familiar	71%	66%	40%	74%	51%	75%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 99: Question #24 by Area Within the County

How familiar are you with the Open Adams reform measures that Adams County is undertaking?	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Very familiar	1%	0%	3%	0%	4%	4%	1%
Somewhat familiar	2%	22%	21%	17%	3%	8%	12%
A little bit familiar	74%	3%	6%	13%	17%	30%	16%
Not at all familiar	23%	75%	70%	71%	76%	58%	71%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 100: Question #25 by Area Within the County

In general, how well do you think Adams County is doing on implementing the reform measures?	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Excellent	0%	3%	11%	1%	0%	0%
Good	6%	10%	15%	6%	37%	5%
Fair	16%	12%	27%	10%	8%	15%
Poor	5%	3%	1%	3%	5%	6%
Don't know	72%	71%	46%	80%	51%	74%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 101: Question #25 by Area Within the County

In general, how well do you think Adams County is doing on implementing the reform measures?	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Excellent	0%	0%	0%	8%	2%	0%	0%
Good	30%	5%	15%	7%	4%	19%	6%
Fair	38%	3%	14%	12%	5%	19%	16%
Poor	3%	4%	0%	0%	5%	5%	5%
Don't know	29%	89%	71%	72%	84%	57%	72%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 102: Question #27 by Area Within the County

Were you looking for work at any time during the last 2 years?	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
No	80%	71%	55%	74%	76%	96%
Yes	20%	29%	45%	26%	24%	4%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 103: Question #27 by Area Within the County

Were you looking for work at any time during the last 2 years?	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
No	36%	67%	83%	81%	65%	92%	80%
Yes	64%	33%	17%	19%	35%	8%	20%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 104: Question #28 by Area Within the County

Did you use any of the job seeker services at the Adams County Workforce & Business Center?	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
No	49%	48%	23%	58%	73%	73%
Yes	51%	52%	77%	42%	27%	27%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

* Note: Question only asked of those who had been looking for work during the last 2 years.

Table 105: Question #28 by Area Within the County

Did you use any of the job seeker services at the Adams County Workforce & Business Center?	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
No	1%	46%	96%	50%	68%	72%	49%
Yes	99%	54%	4%	50%	32%	28%	51%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

* Note: Question only asked of those who had been looking for work during the last 2 years.

Table 106: Question #28a by Area Within the County

Why not?	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Didn't know about them	63%	63%	57%	62%	91%	0%
Didn't think they would help me	27%	22%	32%	23%	0%	50%
Too difficult to access	0%	10%	0%	11%	0%	0%
Other	10%	12%	22%	9%	9%	50%

** Note: Percents add to more than 100% as respondents could choose more than one reason.
 Question only asked of those who had been looking for work during the last 2 years and who had not used job seeker services at the Adams County Workforce & Business Center.
 Tests of statistical significance could not be performed*

Table 107: Question #28a by Area Within the County

Why not?	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Didn't know about them	100%	70%	38%	18%	77%	100%	63%
Didn't think they would help me	0%	30%	30%	29%	19%	0%	27%
Too difficult to access	0%	0%	0%	49%	1%	0%	0%
Other	0%	25%	32%	26%	4%	0%	10%

** Note: Percents add to more than 100% as respondents could choose more than one reason.
 Question only asked of those who had been looking for work during the last 2 years and who had not used job seeker services at the Adams County Workforce & Business Center.
 Tests of statistical significance could not be performed*

Table 108: Question #28b by Area Within the County

How would you rate the quality of the services provided?	Area of Adams County		Which best describes where you currently live?			
	Unincorporated Adams County	Incorporated Adams County	An urban area	A suburban area	A small town	A rural area
Excellent	17%	45%	49%	33%	22%	0%
Good	26%	33%	51%	12%	0%	100%
Fair	15%	4%	0%	10%	44%	0%
Poor	43%	18%	0%	46%	34%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

**Note: Only asked of those who had been looking for work during the last 2 years and who had used job seeker services at the Adams County Workforce & Business Center.*

Table 109: Question #28b by Area Within the County

How would you rate the quality of the services provided?	Municipality or Unincorporated Area						
	Aurora	Commerce City	Northglenn	Thornton	Westminster	Other (Arvada, Bennett, Brighton, Federal Heights)	Unincorporated
Excellent	58%	0%	0%	56%	19%	0%	17%
Good	42%	72%	0%	35%	0%	0%	26%
Fair	0%	28%	100%	4%	0%	100%	15%
Poor	0%	0%	0%	5%	81%	0%	43%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

**Note: Only asked of those who had been looking for work during the last 2 years and who had used job seeker services at the Adams County Workforce & Business Center.*

Crosstabulations of Selected Survey Results by Respondent Demographics

Sex

- Men rated their overall quality of life higher than women and also tended to rate the various services provided by Adams County (e.g., drainage and storm sewer infrastructure, employment assistance programs and motor vehicle registration) more positively than women.
- Men were more likely to rate the overall direction of Adams County as good while women were more likely to rate it as fair.
- When allocating “importance” points across service areas, women tended to place more points into Human Services while men tended to place more points in Transportation Infrastructure.

Age

- Ratings of respondents’ neighborhood as a place to live and Adams County as a place to retire increased with age.
- The oldest respondents were more likely than younger respondent to rate potential areas of concern (e.g., graffiti, environmental hazards) as moderate or major problems in Adams County.
- When allocating “importance” points across service areas, respondents ages 18 to 34 tended to place more points into Human Services while those ages 35 and over tended to place more points in Law Enforcement.

Race/Ethnicity

- Non-Hispanic White respondents rated the sense of community lower than respondents of other races/ethnicities, but rated the openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds higher than Other respondents.
- Other respondents tended to rate the various services provided by Adams County (e.g., community development, drainage and storm sewer infrastructure and emergency management) lower than non-Hispanic White respondents.
- Other respondents were more likely than non-Hispanic White respondents to have sought services at the Adams County Workforce and Business Center.

Length of residency

- Respondents who had lived in the County between 6 and 10 years tended to rate the various aspects of quality of life (e.g., Adams County as a place to raise children, work and live) higher than those who had been in the county for less than 6 years or more than 10 years.
- As the length of residency of respondents increased, so did the extent to which they viewed potential areas of concern (e.g., violent crime, property crimes and environmental hazards) as moderate or major problems.
- Respondents who had lived in the county for 11 to 20 years were more likely to prefer residential and commercial development to be more dense while those who had been in the county for the shortest (5 years or less) and the longest (more than 20 years) were more likely to prefer housing to be on larger lots and buildings to be spread out, similar to the “typical” suburban neighborhoods and shopping areas.

Table 110: Question #1 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Adams County: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Adams County as a place to live	77%	71%	75%	72%	76%	79%	66%	70%	91%	66%	77%
Your neighborhood as a place to live	64%	63%	54%	67%	70%	62%	68%	64%	60%	71%	65%
Adams County as a place to raise children	64%	64%	68%	63%	62%	67%	59%	66%	81%	57%	63%
Adams County as a place to work	49%	45%	41%	50%	51%	49%	44%	53%	64%	29%	52%
Adams County as a place to start and/or operate a business	46%	38%	51%	36%	43%	43%	43%	52%	66%	25%	43%
Adams County as a place to retire	55%	49%	41%	52%	59%	52%	55%	55%	67%	37%	54%
The overall quality of life in Adams County	72%	62%	64%	73%	63%	68%	67%	59%	83%	63%	64%

Table 111: Question #3 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Adams County as a whole: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Sense of personal safety	69%	64%	59%	70%	68%	64%	70%	71%	57%	60%	68%
Emergency response times (fire, ambulance, sheriff, etc.)	78%	82%	69%	83%	85%	76%	87%	80%	64%	93%	80%
Sense of community	39%	53%	32%	57%	50%	41%	58%	47%	46%	52%	48%
Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds	67%	62%	79%	56%	63%	71%	55%	80%	78%	61%	55%
Overall appearance of Adams County	53%	50%	47%	56%	52%	50%	55%	55%	54%	45%	57%
Overall quality of new development in unincorporated Adams County	51%	48%	56%	48%	48%	54%	46%	58%	75%	35%	45%
Variety of housing options	64%	55%	63%	62%	53%	61%	58%	66%	62%	52%	55%
Overall quality of business and service establishments in Adams County	61%	54%	50%	67%	55%	54%	66%	62%	53%	64%	52%
Shopping opportunities	64%	57%	73%	59%	52%	66%	54%	69%	76%	64%	50%
Opportunities to attend cultural activities	41%	40%	41%	34%	50%	42%	40%	40%	45%	33%	47%
Recreational opportunities	64%	63%	67%	62%	62%	64%	63%	62%	84%	61%	53%
Opportunities to participate in outdoor recreation or enjoy nature	69%	61%	71%	64%	61%	67%	63%	64%	86%	54%	57%
Employment opportunities	30%	35%	38%	31%	33%	31%	37%	45%	17%	33%	34%
Educational opportunities	38%	45%	42%	37%	49%	42%	44%	45%	49%	38%	44%

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Adams County as a whole: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Opportunities to participate in community matters	55%	48%	58%	45%	55%	59%	42%	58%	64%	41%	52%
Ease of car travel in Adams County	59%	63%	67%	55%	64%	66%	54%	59%	77%	61%	58%
Ease of bus travel in Adams County	39%	52%	58%	43%	43%	46%	51%	58%	52%	43%	39%
Availability of paths and walking trails	73%	62%	75%	63%	65%	68%	66%	75%	76%	60%	59%
Traffic flow on major streets	48%	38%	62%	29%	43%	50%	31%	57%	57%	28%	39%
Availability of affordable quality housing	54%	46%	67%	41%	47%	57%	42%	69%	55%	41%	44%
Availability of affordable quality child care	48%	34%	51%	38%	34%	47%	34%	58%	33%	39%	32%
Availability of affordable quality health care	46%	46%	48%	37%	55%	51%	41%	50%	56%	46%	44%
Availability of recycling services	49%	49%	53%	44%	51%	55%	39%	63%	46%	34%	54%
Drinking water quality	67%	63%	81%	54%	64%	70%	57%	75%	62%	62%	59%
Overall image or reputation of Adams County	58%	52%	59%	59%	48%	53%	60%	51%	71%	54%	48%

Table 112: Question #4 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

How prepared are you and your household for a disaster or emergency (e.g., flood, tornado, blizzard, etc.)?	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Very prepared	7%	6%	2%	9%	7%	6%	7%	3%	8%	7%	8%
Somewhat prepared	45%	39%	40%	34%	54%	46%	36%	53%	43%	32%	43%
A little bit prepared	34%	37%	41%	37%	28%	35%	36%	31%	35%	52%	32%
Not at all prepared	14%	18%	17%	20%	11%	13%	20%	14%	14%	9%	16%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 113: Question #5 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

To what degree, if at all, are each of the following a problem in Adams County? (Percent rating as "Major" or "Moderate Problem")	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Run down buildings, weed lots or junk vehicles	53%	49%	43%	50%	58%	50%	50%	33%	50%	50%	59%
Graffiti	50%	44%	41%	46%	56%	48%	46%	25%	51%	46%	58%
Violent crime (e.g., sexual assault, robbery)	48%	55%	43%	52%	59%	49%	56%	33%	45%	77%	56%
Property crimes (e.g., burglary, theft)	58%	56%	49%	55%	67%	56%	57%	34%	62%	74%	62%
Environmental hazards, including toxic waste	33%	38%	18%	36%	46%	30%	41%	17%	24%	39%	48%
Weeds and other noxious or invasive plants in open lands	51%	54%	32%	55%	64%	49%	57%	36%	37%	65%	58%
Child abuse and neglect	42%	51%	19%	61%	48%	41%	52%	25%	25%	75%	48%
Neglect, exploitation or mistreatment of at-risk adults	34%	49%	18%	51%	50%	42%	45%	24%	19%	73%	50%

Table 114: Question #6 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

How well is Adams County retaining existing businesses and attracting new businesses?	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Excellent	2%	0%	0%	1%	3%	1%	2%	3%	1%	0%	1%
Good	19%	18%	19%	18%	20%	21%	17%	21%	23%	18%	18%
Fair	23%	21%	14%	24%	27%	23%	19%	18%	17%	29%	25%
Poor	16%	10%	12%	12%	13%	10%	17%	11%	4%	3%	19%
Don't Know	39%	48%	55%	42%	33%	44%	41%	47%	50%	48%	35%
It is not the job of Adams County to retain and attract businesses	1%	3%	0%	3%	3%	2%	3%	1%	6%	1%	2%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 115: Question #8 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

Please tell us where most future development in Adams County should be located. (Please check only one.)	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Within already developed communities with available buildings or unused land	74%	76%	73%	78%	75%	78%	70%	76%	74%	83%	71%
On open land at the edges of existing cities and towns	23%	19%	23%	17%	23%	19%	25%	19%	22%	17%	25%
On rural land	3%	5%	4%	5%	2%	3%	4%	6%	4%	1%	4%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 116: Question #9 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

What type of new development density would you be most interested in seeing in unincorporated Adams County?	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Housing should be on larger lots and buildings should be spread out, similar to the “typical” suburban neighborhoods and shopping areas	52%	55%	53%	47%	64%	57%	50%	66%	36%	35%	64%
Residential and commercial development should be more dense, and close to each other, making it easier to walk from place to place	32%	33%	27%	41%	28%	29%	37%	27%	35%	56%	25%
Housing and commercial development on very large lots within rural areas	16%	11%	20%	11%	9%	14%	13%	8%	29%	9%	11%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 117: Question #10 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

Do you think the costs of new development should be paid for by the residents of new development, or should the county use general taxes to assist with the development?	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Development should pay for itself	56%	37%	57%	32%	53%	56%	28%	52%	59%	30%	46%
General county tax dollars should fund development	4%	12%	17%	4%	4%	6%	13%	10%	14%	1%	8%
Some of the costs for development should be paid by general county taxes	27%	30%	10%	48%	25%	22%	43%	16%	17%	61%	25%
Don't know	13%	20%	16%	16%	17%	17%	16%	23%	11%	8%	20%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 118: Question #11 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

Please rate the quality of each of the following services provided by other agencies (i.e., special districts and metro districts), not by Adams County. (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Public school districts	60%	47%	52%	50%	60%	61%	45%	54%	72%	44%	58%
Fire services	91%	87%	96%	91%	83%	92%	85%	90%	95%	89%	86%
Water and sanitation services	81%	79%	87%	82%	74%	80%	81%	77%	82%	82%	79%
Street and drainage maintenance services	65%	61%	73%	61%	57%	67%	58%	64%	77%	68%	59%
Library services	76%	80%	76%	79%	81%	83%	73%	61%	92%	92%	82%
Park and recreation services	77%	86%	93%	79%	73%	84%	78%	83%	92%	93%	73%

Table 119: Question #12 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

Please rate the quality of each of the following services provided by Adams County: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Adams County open space, parks and trails system	82%	72%	84%	74%	72%	81%	70%	85%	87%	69%	68%
Animal Shelter / Adoption Center	53%	65%	58%	59%	65%	61%	60%	66%	60%	70%	60%
Building permits and inspections	50%	50%	58%	45%	53%	55%	48%	66%	58%	41%	47%
Collection of property taxes	50%	60%	62%	46%	62%	61%	49%	53%	57%	45%	62%
Community development (build the capacity of citizen groups and community organizations so they may enhance the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of our communities)	34%	33%	27%	34%	40%	41%	27%	38%	44%	25%	38%
County courts	54%	51%	38%	57%	59%	55%	52%	49%	50%	64%	54%
Development standards and regulations (sets standards and regulations for the unincorporated areas of the county to guide development to protect and promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of the county)	50%	40%	60%	44%	43%	52%	39%	59%	66%	25%	43%
Drainage and storm sewer infrastructure (adequate to handle storm events and prevent flooding) in unincorporated Adams County	65%	33%	64%	41%	48%	62%	29%	57%	69%	42%	46%
Economic development (identify and encourage investments by businesses, creating new jobs)	35%	21%	25%	29%	31%	32%	24%	24%	45%	26%	27%
Elections and voter registrations	60%	59%	56%	57%	64%	66%	50%	51%	59%	63%	68%
Emergency management (coordinates the efforts in coping with emergencies, disasters and terrorist threats by preparing, responding, recovering and mitigating incidents)	56%	42%	46%	48%	54%	64%	30%	47%	56%	48%	49%
Employment assistance programs through the Workforce & Business Center	49%	26%	34%	43%	35%	48%	30%	45%	45%	30%	27%
Enforcement of county codes, ordinances and regulations (building codes, zoning and development regulations, Blight Ordinance enforcement for the removal of junk and weeds, graffiti removal)	36%	34%	44%	32%	37%	40%	30%	64%	32%	32%	32%
Housing assistance services (emergency housing, rental assistance, down payment assistance for first-time home buyers, etc.)	42%	32%	58%	26%	36%	42%	36%	63%	43%	22%	29%

Please rate the quality of each of the following services provided by Adams County: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Long range planning (administers and updates the Comprehensive Long Range Plan, coordinates with both local and regional stakeholders in planning for the current and future needs of the county)	42%	35%	47%	31%	44%	52%	27%	35%	48%	31%	44%
Motor vehicle registration	59%	48%	47%	56%	58%	53%	56%	49%	62%	54%	56%
Online (internet) property lookup	64%	46%	51%	58%	58%	63%	44%	41%	75%	43%	61%
Public records and documents searches	63%	45%	54%	56%	57%	63%	44%	64%	60%	34%	61%
Roadway maintenance of paved and graveled roads in unincorporated Adams County	44%	22%	40%	29%	34%	38%	25%	39%	40%	25%	35%
Services provided to financially challenged families, programs like Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Military Assistance Program, Food Assistance (SNAP/Food Stamps), etc.	37%	38%	53%	30%	40%	48%	33%	62%	35%	29%	40%
Services provided to protect children suspected of being abused or neglected	36%	36%	40%	36%	39%	42%	34%	49%	37%	29%	46%
Services provided to vulnerable adults suspected of being abused or neglected	45%	38%	55%	42%	40%	46%	40%	49%	44%	30%	47%
Sheriff services	59%	53%	58%	52%	60%	63%	48%	75%	47%	55%	60%
Snow and ice removal in unincorporated Adams County	44%	34%	45%	36%	36%	43%	30%	60%	34%	29%	36%
Traffic control (street lights, signs, etc.) in unincorporated Adams County	56%	44%	59%	47%	50%	58%	38%	64%	55%	37%	53%

Table 120: Question #13 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

Looking at the services in Question 12, which FIVE (5) services do you think are MOST important for maintaining and improving the quality of life in Adams County?	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Adams County open space, parks and trails system	44%	28%	59%	26%	25%	47%	16%	44%	49%	35%	25%
Animal Shelter / Adoption Center	19%	7%	24%	6%	10%	17%	6%	10%	33%	7%	7%
Building permits and inspections	7%	7%	8%	6%	8%	4%	13%	12%	4%	1%	10%
Collection of property taxes	11%	5%	5%	10%	8%	8%	8%	11%	10%	6%	6%
Community development (build the capacity of citizen groups and community organizations so they may enhance the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of our communities)	18%	18%	16%	23%	15%	17%	20%	24%	12%	14%	14%
County courts	11%	19%	13%	17%	14%	10%	23%	17%	2%	29%	15%
Development standards and regulations (sets standards and regulations for the unincorporated areas of the county to guide development to protect and promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of the county)	24%	13%	17%	14%	24%	21%	13%	21%	11%	16%	23%
Drainage and storm sewer infrastructure (adequate to handle storm events and prevent flooding) in unincorporated Adams County	21%	19%	12%	22%	24%	19%	20%	18%	14%	25%	22%
Economic development (identify and encourage investments by businesses, creating new jobs)	32%	31%	19%	33%	40%	28%	38%	33%	20%	31%	31%
Elections and voter registrations	8%	5%	7%	4%	12%	9%	5%	7%	3%	5%	13%
Emergency management (coordinates the efforts in coping with emergencies, disasters and terrorist threats by preparing, responding, recovering and mitigating incidents)	39%	26%	32%	38%	27%	29%	39%	13%	51%	26%	33%
Employment assistance programs through the Workforce & Business Center	11%	18%	8%	16%	19%	11%	20%	13%	5%	7%	26%
Enforcement of county codes, ordinances and regulations (building codes, zoning and development regulations, Blight Ordinance enforcement for the removal of junk and weeds, graffiti removal)	42%	22%	36%	23%	36%	37%	21%	27%	44%	22%	34%
Housing assistance services (emergency housing, rental assistance, down payment assistance for first-time home buyers, etc.)	13%	26%	15%	28%	16%	18%	25%	9%	24%	36%	18%

Looking at the services in Question 12, which FIVE (5) services do you think are MOST important for maintaining and improving the quality of life in Adams County?	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Long range planning (administers and updates the Comprehensive Long Range Plan, coordinates with both local and regional stakeholders in planning for the current and future needs of the county)	29%	27%	38%	20%	28%	32%	20%	36%	32%	19%	27%
Motor vehicle registration	9%	11%	2%	10%	19%	12%	7%	5%	3%	9%	21%
Online (internet) property lookup	0%	3%	1%	3%	0%	1%	3%	2%	0%	6%	1%
Public records and documents searches	2%	8%	8%	2%	6%	1%	13%	14%	0%	3%	4%
Roadway maintenance of paved and graveled roads in unincorporated Adams County	41%	48%	39%	58%	38%	40%	54%	52%	40%	46%	39%
Services provided to financially challenged families, programs like Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Military Assistance Program, Food Assistance (SNAP/Food Stamps), etc.	15%	20%	14%	24%	14%	11%	29%	14%	19%	17%	13%
Services provided to protect children suspected of being abused or neglected	18%	34%	27%	28%	21%	25%	27%	21%	31%	40%	19%
Services provided to vulnerable adults suspected of being abused or neglected	6%	21%	7%	18%	12%	10%	17%	11%	7%	33%	9%
Sheriff services	36%	20%	40%	21%	24%	33%	18%	21%	41%	13%	35%
Snow and ice removal in unincorporated Adams County	15%	35%	32%	21%	25%	32%	15%	32%	25%	22%	26%
Traffic control (street lights, signs, etc.) in unincorporated Adams County	15%	16%	13%	17%	16%	16%	15%	17%	14%	22%	12%

Note: Percents add to more than 100% as respondents could choose up to five services; tests of statistical significance could not be performed

Table 121: Question #14 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

Looking at the services in Question 12, which FIVE (5) services do you think are LEAST important for maintaining and improving the quality of life in Adams County?	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Adams County open space, parks and trails system	15%	18%	13%	16%	19%	12%	23%	23%	13%	17%	15%
Animal Shelter / Adoption Center	33%	16%	18%	28%	26%	24%	26%	34%	19%	28%	21%
Building permits and inspections	14%	33%	16%	32%	19%	17%	35%	15%	19%	41%	23%
Collection of property taxes	18%	20%	23%	20%	12%	17%	22%	18%	8%	16%	20%
Community development (build the capacity of citizen groups and community organizations so they may enhance the economic social, environmental and cultural well-being of our communities)	19%	13%	12%	19%	18%	16%	14%	9%	20%	7%	25%
County courts	14%	6%	8%	9%	14%	10%	10%	14%	7%	9%	11%
Development standards and regulations (sets standards and regulations for the unincorporated areas of the county to guide development to protect and promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of the county)	12%	26%	13%	25%	18%	13%	30%	9%	7%	38%	25%
Drainage and storm sewer infrastructure (adequate to handle storm events and prevent flooding) in unincorporated Adams County	5%	4%	2%	6%	6%	6%	2%	2%	3%	2%	10%
Economic development (identify and encourage investments by businesses, creating new jobs).	17%	28%	25%	21%	20%	17%	30%	31%	17%	34%	14%
Elections and voter registrations	25%	32%	26%	34%	25%	28%	31%	24%	29%	41%	27%
Emergency management (coordinates the efforts in coping with emergencies, disasters and terrorist threats by preparing, responding, recovering and mitigating incidents)	9%	2%	9%	3%	6%	8%	2%	9%	8%	1%	6%
Employment assistance programs through the Workforce & Business Center	9%	8%	8%	9%	9%	10%	5%	12%	4%	15%	7%
Enforcement of county codes, ordinances and regulations (building codes, zoning and development regulations, Blight Ordinance enforcement for the removal of junk and weeds, graffiti removal)	8%	11%	12%	10%	8%	13%	5%	15%	13%	12%	5%
Housing assistance services (emergency housing, rental assistance, down payment assistance for first-time home buyers, etc.)	21%	16%	21%	14%	22%	24%	9%	26%	15%	18%	19%

Looking at the services in Question 12, which FIVE (5) services do you think are LEAST important for maintaining and improving the quality of life in Adams County?	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Long range planning (administers and updates the Comprehensive Long Range Plan, coordinates with both local and regional stakeholders in planning for the current and future needs of the county)	17%	23%	17%	26%	15%	13%	32%	7%	16%	18%	24%
Motor vehicle registration	21%	18%	11%	25%	19%	14%	29%	20%	16%	2%	21%
Online (internet) property lookup	58%	44%	50%	49%	54%	59%	36%	40%	66%	36%	51%
Public records and documents searches	52%	48%	56%	45%	49%	51%	49%	48%	60%	47%	41%
Roadway maintenance of paved and graveled roads in unincorporated Adams County	3%	7%	4%	4%	8%	7%	3%	3%	4%	9%	7%
Services provided to financially challenged families, programs like Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Military Assistance Program, Food Assistance (SNAP/Food Stamps), etc.	18%	11%	20%	16%	8%	20%	6%	29%	13%	8%	10%
Services provided to protect children suspected of being abused or neglected	4%	1%	0%	6%	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%	2%	5%
Services provided to vulnerable adults suspected of being abused or neglected	7%	11%	11%	9%	7%	10%	6%	14%	4%	6%	11%
Sheriff services	4%	7%	3%	5%	8%	4%	8%	5%	4%	8%	7%
Snow and ice removal in unincorporated Adams County	13%	8%	11%	9%	11%	13%	8%	10%	7%	12%	15%
Traffic control (street lights, signs, etc.) in unincorporated Adams County	7%	16%	8%	12%	16%	10%	15%	5%	14%	9%	18%

Note: Percents add to more than 100% as respondents could choose up to five services; tests of statistical significance could not be performed

Table 122: Question #15 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by Adams County?	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Excellent	6%	8%	15%	3%	5%	5%	10%	15%	3%	7%	4%
Good	58%	39%	52%	48%	45%	54%	38%	52%	58%	39%	50%
Fair	28%	42%	26%	41%	37%	33%	40%	25%	29%	53%	32%
Poor	5%	6%	7%	3%	5%	4%	6%	6%	3%	1%	9%
Don't know	3%	6%	0%	5%	8%	4%	5%	3%	6%	1%	6%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 123: Question #16 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

How would you rate the value of services you receive from Adams County for the taxes paid?	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Excellent	5%	2%	5%	2%	4%	4%	3%	7%	5%	2%	2%
Good	38%	31%	39%	37%	28%	33%	37%	36%	40%	41%	30%
Fair	35%	37%	24%	39%	44%	34%	40%	23%	38%	50%	39%
Poor	11%	16%	19%	9%	14%	16%	9%	18%	14%	4%	17%
Don't know	11%	14%	13%	14%	10%	13%	12%	17%	3%	4%	12%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 124: Question #17 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

How informed would you say you are about the job Adams County government is doing?	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Very well informed	5%	1%	0%	4%	3%	2%	4%	2%	1%	0%	5%
Informed	17%	9%	10%	13%	17%	15%	11%	12%	12%	11%	18%
Somewhat informed	42%	48%	50%	43%	42%	45%	45%	42%	63%	56%	35%
Hardly informed at all	25%	30%	28%	26%	29%	28%	27%	30%	19%	28%	32%
Don't Know	11%	12%	12%	13%	9%	11%	13%	14%	5%	5%	10%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 125: Question #18 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

How much of the time do you think you can trust Adams County government to do what is right?	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Always	5%	1%	4%	2%	4%	2%	4%	8%	1%	1%	2%
Most of the time	51%	34%	54%	40%	34%	40%	46%	46%	61%	36%	32%
Only some of the time	30%	55%	35%	45%	48%	46%	39%	40%	33%	57%	45%
Almost never	6%	6%	2%	5%	9%	6%	4%	5%	1%	5%	8%
Never	8%	5%	6%	8%	5%	5%	7%	1%	4%	1%	12%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 126: Question #19 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

Overall, how would you rate the overall direction that Adams County is taking?	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Excellent	8%	5%	14%	3%	2%	4%	9%	15%	6%	0%	3%
Good	48%	26%	44%	34%	31%	40%	30%	38%	46%	24%	33%
Fair	27%	44%	30%	38%	40%	37%	36%	33%	34%	48%	36%
Poor	8%	8%	9%	4%	10%	7%	8%	10%	5%	4%	10%
Don't know	10%	18%	3%	21%	16%	12%	17%	4%	9%	24%	17%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 127: Question #20 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

Have you had any in-person, phone or email contact with an Adams County employee, regardless of department or office, within the last 12 months (including sheriff, receptionists, planners, engineers or any others)?	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
No	59%	65%	65%	57%	65%	61%	64%	68%	58%	61%	66%
Yes	41%	35%	35%	43%	35%	39%	36%	32%	42%	39%	34%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 128: Question #21 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

What was your impression of the Adams County employee in your most recent contact? (Rate each characteristic below.) (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Knowledge	82%	82%	77%	86%	75%	77%	86%	77%	81%	92%	71%
Responsiveness	68%	83%	81%	72%	71%	78%	66%	82%	84%	90%	67%
Respectfulness	82%	82%	73%	88%	75%	77%	86%	79%	81%	93%	71%
Courtesy	79%	82%	73%	85%	76%	77%	84%	74%	78%	93%	71%
Overall impression	80%	80%	72%	84%	75%	75%	84%	72%	81%	92%	69%

Table 129: Question #22 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

Pretend for a moment that you are responsible for making decisions about service provisions in Adams County that require difficult trade-offs. Now say you have a total of 100 "importance" points that you can distribute among 6 service categories. Please give each category the number of points you think it deserves based on how important you think this is to the quality of community life in Adams County. The most important category should receive the largest number of points. (You must use all but not more than 100 points. You do not have to give points to every category. In fact, if you would like to assign all of the points to 1, 2 or 3 categories and 0 points to all of the others, you may do so). Average Number of Points	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Community Services (includes development review, including long-range planning, fostering public / private partnerships, code enforcement, sustainability efforts to save taxpayer dollars and reduce the county's impact on the environment, funds to help rehab a home or business, public health services including immunization clinics, mosquito control, open space, parks, trails, etc.)	18	17	19	16	18	19	15	16	23	12	18
Economic Development (includes attracting and retaining businesses and jobs)	16	15	17	15	14	16	13	18	16	14	14
Human Services (includes unemployment assistance, workforce training, child protection, adult protection, services for financially challenged families, Head Start, etc.)	13	22	21	17	15	15	23	19	15	21	16
Law Enforcement (includes Sheriff patrol, crime prevention, jail, District Attorney, prosecution, courts, etc.)	21	20	17	21	23	21	20	21	19	21	21
Public Services (includes maintaining official public records, Clerk and Recorder functions such as marriage licenses, elections, Assessor's valuation of property, Coroner, Treasurer, etc.)	11	10	10	10	12	11	10	9	11	10	11
Transportation Infrastructure (includes maintenance and construction of roads, bridges, drainage systems; snow removal, sidewalk construction, etc.)	20	17	16	21	18	18	19	16	16	22	19

Table 130: Question #23 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

Please rate how well Adams County is currently doing in each of the following areas: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Welcoming resident involvement	46%	30%	33%	49%	36%	40%	39%	29%	51%	24%	43%
Being responsive to residents	48%	43%	54%	49%	36%	48%	44%	74%	31%	24%	42%
Generally acting in the best interest of the community	55%	42%	65%	44%	39%	54%	43%	70%	58%	29%	36%
Informing residents about issues facing the community	38%	35%	36%	41%	34%	34%	41%	52%	35%	19%	35%
Accessibility of elected officials	27%	31%	21%	32%	36%	34%	25%	36%	22%	29%	31%
Being open and transparent to the public	31%	30%	42%	30%	22%	33%	31%	45%	52%	16%	19%
Giving residents a chance to express their views before making decisions	40%	36%	37%	45%	32%	35%	45%	57%	38%	25%	28%
Being honest	40%	33%	50%	36%	29%	36%	41%	63%	31%	18%	32%
Treating residents with fairness and respect	50%	45%	62%	44%	40%	50%	46%	71%	52%	26%	42%

Table 131: Question #24 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

How familiar are you with the Open Adams reform measures that Adams County is undertaking?	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Very familiar	4%	0%	1%	2%	3%	1%	3%	2%	2%	0%	3%
Somewhat familiar	10%	11%	6%	12%	13%	7%	17%	10%	4%	9%	16%
A little bit familiar	19%	23%	18%	26%	16%	18%	26%	13%	28%	27%	14%
Not at all familiar	68%	66%	75%	59%	69%	74%	54%	75%	67%	64%	67%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 132: Question #25 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

In general, how well do you think Adams County is doing on implementing the reform measures?	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Excellent	1%	4%	6%	0%	1%	0%	7%	10%	0%	0%	0%
Good	12%	6%	1%	17%	10%	5%	17%	2%	5%	8%	13%
Fair	9%	17%	11%	16%	12%	12%	15%	4%	20%	22%	12%
Poor	5%	2%	4%	3%	3%	5%	1%	8%	0%	1%	3%
Don't know	73%	71%	77%	64%	73%	78%	60%	76%	75%	69%	72%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 133: Question #27 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

Were you looking for work at any time during the last 2 years?	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
No	70%	75%	67%	67%	85%	75%	69%	61%	83%	66%	84%
Yes	30%	25%	33%	33%	15%	25%	31%	39%	17%	34%	16%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 134: Question #28 by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

Did you use any of the job seeker services at the Adams County Workforce & Business Center?	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
No	53%	45%	76%	21%	61%	76%	10%	69%	71%	31%	39%
Yes	47%	55%	24%	79%	39%	24%	90%	31%	29%	69%	61%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

* Note: Question only asked of those who had been looking for work during the last 2 years.

Table 135: Question #28a by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

Why not?	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Didn't know about them	57%	71%	79%	46%	27%	66%	31%	91%	25%	45%	23%
Didn't think they would help me	28%	16%	16%	37%	31%	19%	61%	1%	71%	34%	37%
Too difficult to access	0%	21%	5%	0%	28%	6%	32%	0%	0%	5%	50%
Other	19%	2%	0%	25%	38%	12%	8%	8%	4%	28%	14%

* Note: Percents add to more than 100% as respondents could choose more than one reason.

Question only asked of those who had been looking for work during the last 2 years and who had not used job seeker services at the Adams County Workforce & Business Center.

Tests of statistical significance could not be performed

Table 136: Question #28b by Respondent Sex, Age, Race/Ethnicity and Length of Residency in Adams County

How would you rate the quality of the services provided?	Sex		Age			Race/Ethnicity		How many years have you lived in Adams County?			
	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Non-Hispanic White	Other	5 years or less	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	more than 20 years
Excellent	28%	54%	39%	41%	38%	40%	41%	80%	39%	70%	5%
Good	54%	10%	8%	39%	34%	20%	36%	5%	56%	4%	32%
Fair	1%	7%	0%	5%	16%	20%	1%	12%	6%	4%	9%
Poor	16%	28%	53%	15%	11%	21%	22%	4%	0%	22%	54%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

*Note: Only asked of those who had been looking for work during the last 2 years and who had used job seeker services at the Adams County Workforce & Business Center.

Crosstabulations of Selected Survey Results by Respondent Household Status

Housing Tenure

- Homeowners tended to rate aspects of quality of life (e.g., neighborhood as a place to live, Adams County as a place to raise children and to work); characteristics of the community (e.g., sense of personal safety, overall appearance of Adams County and availability of affordable quality housing); and Adams County services (e.g., community development, sheriff services and emergency management) higher than renters.
- Renters were more likely than homeowners to rate potential areas of concern (e.g., violent crime, property crimes and child abuse and neglect) as moderate or major problems in Adams County.
- Homeowners were more likely to rate the overall quality of the services provided by Adams County as good and the value of services for the taxes paid as fair while renters were more likely to rate the overall quality of services as fair and the value of services as good.
- When allocating “importance” points across service areas, renters tended to place more points into Human Services while homeowners tended to place more points in Law Enforcement.

Presence of Children

- Households with children tended to rate aspects of quality of life (e.g., neighborhood as a place to live, Adams County as a place to raise children and the overall quality of life in Adams County) and characteristics of the community (e.g., opportunities to participate in outdoor recreation or enjoy nature, overall appearance and overall image or reputation of the county) higher than households without children.
- Households without children were more likely than those with children to rate potential areas of concern (e.g., run down buildings, environmental hazards, property crimes and child abuse and neglect) as moderate or major problems in Adams County.
- When indicating their preference for paying for the costs of new development, households without children were more likely to feel that development should pay for itself while those with children were more likely to feel that some of the costs for development should be paid by general county taxes.
- Overall, households with children held more positive views about Adams County than child-free households as related to the County being responsive to residents, generally acting in the best interest of the community and being honest.

Business Ownership

- Business owners rated the sense of community and the overall image or reputation of Adams County more positively than non-business owners but rated ease of bus travel in Adams County, the overall quality of new development in unincorporated Adams County and availability of affordable quality housing less positively.
- Business owners were more likely than non-business owners to rate potential areas of concern (e.g., violent crime and child abuse and neglect) as moderate or major problems in Adams County.
- Respondents who did not own a business in the county were more likely to rate the overall quality of services provided by Adams County as good while those who did own a business were more likely to rate it as fair.

Income

- Respondents with incomes between \$25,000 and \$99,999 were more likely to prefer development that paid for itself while those with incomes between \$100,000 and \$149,999 were more likely to prefer some of the costs for development to be paid by general county taxes.
- Respondents with the highest (\$150,000 or more) and lowest (less than \$25,000) incomes tended to rate public schools lower than their counterparts with incomes between \$25,000 and \$149,999.
- Ratings of County courts, motor vehicle registration and online (internet) property lookup tended to increase with income levels.
- Respondents with incomes less than \$25,000 tended to rate the overall quality of services provided by Adams County as fair while those with incomes of at least \$25,000 tended to rate it as good.
- Respondent with incomes of at least \$50,000 were more likely to rate the overall direction Adams County is taking as good; those with lower incomes tended to rate it as fair.

Table 137: Question #1 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Adams County: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Adams County as a place to live	70%	76%	78%	72%	83%	73%	65%	76%	82%	66%	73%
Your neighborhood as a place to live	43%	73%	72%	59%	75%	62%	55%	59%	64%	73%	90%
Adams County as a place to raise children	58%	67%	70%	60%	77%	63%	46%	62%	76%	63%	68%
Adams County as a place to work	41%	52%	47%	49%	51%	48%	39%	46%	56%	38%	56%
Adams County as a place to start and/or operate a business	29%	50%	45%	41%	46%	43%	33%	38%	60%	27%	23%
Adams County as a place to retire	40%	59%	51%	54%	37%	55%	41%	54%	52%	70%	68%
The overall quality of life in Adams County	61%	70%	75%	63%	72%	67%	57%	55%	73%	83%	71%

Table 138: Question #3 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Adams County as a whole: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Sense of personal safety	55%	72%	79%	59%	78%	65%	58%	66%	66%	81%	74%
Emergency response times (fire, ambulance, sheriff, etc.)	88%	79%	82%	80%	83%	80%	91%	75%	74%	83%	86%
Sense of community	41%	50%	58%	40%	63%	45%	58%	45%	40%	43%	67%
Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds	54%	70%	61%	67%	82%	63%	58%	64%	70%	62%	49%
Overall appearance of Adams County	45%	55%	60%	47%	74%	50%	59%	43%	53%	49%	55%
Overall quality of new development in unincorporated Adams County	46%	52%	60%	43%	28%	53%	54%	52%	39%	63%	80%
Variety of housing options	55%	63%	67%	55%	73%	58%	54%	45%	64%	71%	82%
Overall quality of business and service establishments in Adams County	48%	64%	71%	50%	70%	56%	53%	49%	60%	66%	71%
Shopping opportunities	63%	59%	69%	56%	75%	59%	58%	69%	65%	41%	75%
Opportunities to attend cultural activities	38%	43%	50%	36%	21%	44%	44%	35%	40%	42%	16%
Recreational opportunities	73%	60%	73%	58%	59%	64%	53%	59%	66%	79%	51%
Opportunities to participate in outdoor recreation or enjoy nature	72%	63%	72%	62%	66%	65%	56%	64%	68%	76%	51%
Employment opportunities	39%	31%	42%	27%	53%	31%	42%	26%	40%	15%	44%
Educational opportunities	42%	43%	47%	39%	62%	40%	38%	35%	50%	38%	68%
Opportunities to participate in community matters	38%	59%	51%	52%	50%	52%	51%	49%	53%	48%	73%
Ease of car travel in Adams County	57%	64%	66%	59%	84%	59%	53%	72%	67%	51%	61%
Ease of bus travel in Adams County	61%	40%	52%	44%	21%	51%	63%	52%	45%	27%	35%
Availability of paths and walking trails	72%	66%	63%	70%	41%	70%	70%	70%	64%	76%	61%
Traffic flow on major streets	40%	45%	49%	40%	35%	44%	44%	35%	48%	40%	55%

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Adams County as a whole: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Availability of affordable quality housing	33%	60%	52%	50%	36%	52%	45%	44%	52%	60%	56%
Availability of affordable quality child care	41%	41%	48%	34%	42%	41%	44%	28%	40%	39%	61%
Availability of affordable quality health care	31%	53%	44%	47%	36%	48%	41%	43%	49%	50%	63%
Availability of recycling services	37%	55%	59%	43%	39%	50%	55%	49%	48%	41%	67%
Drinking water quality	69%	62%	72%	62%	72%	64%	50%	63%	76%	57%	65%
Overall image or reputation of Adams County	59%	54%	67%	49%	72%	54%	51%	39%	60%	74%	43%

Table 139: Question #4 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

How prepared are you and your household for a disaster or emergency (e.g., flood, tornado, blizzard, etc.)?	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Very prepared	4%	7%	4%	8%	6%	6%	7%	1%	6%	12%	30%
Somewhat prepared	24%	52%	40%	44%	43%	43%	35%	47%	44%	44%	29%
A little bit prepared	46%	30%	33%	36%	42%	34%	33%	30%	44%	26%	31%
Not at all prepared	26%	10%	23%	12%	9%	16%	25%	22%	5%	18%	10%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 140: Question #5 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

To what degree, if at all, are each of the following a problem in Adams County? (Percent rating as "Major" or "Moderate Problem")	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Run down buildings, weed lots or junk vehicles	48%	52%	39%	58%	40%	52%	49%	46%	52%	57%	42%
Graffiti	50%	47%	39%	53%	36%	49%	52%	40%	49%	53%	30%
Violent crime (e.g., sexual assault, robbery)	60%	48%	42%	59%	66%	50%	63%	43%	57%	30%	72%
Property crimes (e.g., burglary, theft)	66%	54%	45%	65%	69%	56%	62%	40%	65%	51%	43%
Environmental hazards, including toxic waste	36%	35%	19%	45%	33%	36%	52%	38%	23%	26%	56%
Weeds and other noxious or invasive plants in open lands	52%	53%	39%	60%	55%	52%	54%	45%	52%	55%	61%
Child abuse and neglect	58%	40%	37%	53%	81%	42%	47%	38%	51%	37%	67%
Neglect, exploitation or mistreatment of at-risk adults	56%	36%	28%	56%	87%	39%	52%	38%	50%	19%	43%

Table 141: Question #6 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

How well is Adams County retaining existing businesses and attracting new businesses?	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Excellent	0%	2%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	2%	2%	0%	0%
Good	10%	24%	25%	16%	8%	21%	17%	13%	20%	28%	2%
Fair	9%	28%	16%	25%	28%	21%	12%	31%	18%	23%	66%
Poor	12%	13%	15%	11%	10%	13%	12%	8%	7%	30%	16%
Don't Know	69%	30%	41%	44%	52%	42%	58%	41%	51%	17%	12%
It is not the job of Adams County to retain and attract businesses	0%	3%	3%	2%	3%	2%	1%	5%	2%	2%	4%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 142: Question #8 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

Please tell us where most future development in Adams County should be located. (Please check only one.)	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Within already developed communities with available buildings or unused land	75%	75%	69%	79%	86%	74%	68%	74%	80%	70%	58%
On open land at the edges of existing cities and towns	20%	21%	28%	16%	14%	21%	27%	17%	20%	23%	42%
On rural land	4%	3%	2%	4%	0%	4%	5%	9%	0%	7%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 143: Question #9 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

What type of new development density would you be most interested in seeing in unincorporated Adams County?	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Housing should be on larger lots and buildings should be spread out, similar to the "typical" suburban neighborhoods and shopping areas	44%	59%	63%	50%	33%	57%	47%	50%	54%	62%	70%
Residential and commercial development should be more dense, and close to each other, making it easier to walk from place to place	37%	31%	28%	35%	63%	29%	47%	32%	30%	24%	26%
Housing and commercial development on very large lots within rural areas	19%	10%	9%	16%	4%	14%	6%	18%	16%	14%	4%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 144: Question #10 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

Do you think the costs of new development should be paid for by the residents of new development, or should the county use general taxes to assist with the development?	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Development should pay for itself	32%	53%	31%	55%	26%	48%	24%	60%	53%	38%	59%
General county tax dollars should fund development	18%	4%	16%	3%	5%	8%	20%	12%	2%	10%	0%
Some of the costs for development should be paid by general county taxes	30%	29%	33%	27%	59%	25%	32%	12%	31%	46%	41%
Don't know	21%	14%	20%	15%	10%	18%	24%	17%	14%	6%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 145: Question #11 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

Please rate the quality of each of the following services provided by other agencies (i.e., special districts and metro districts), not by Adams County. (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Public school districts	41%	60%	49%	57%	61%	53%	29%	69%	62%	57%	22%
Fire services	94%	87%	93%	87%	89%	89%	86%	93%	89%	86%	82%
Water and sanitation services	87%	77%	90%	75%	81%	80%	81%	69%	86%	77%	82%
Street and drainage maintenance services	64%	64%	64%	63%	70%	63%	66%	59%	74%	43%	81%
Library services	71%	82%	75%	80%	82%	78%	73%	76%	86%	73%	76%
Park and recreation services	83%	80%	85%	79%	80%	81%	92%	84%	79%	72%	85%

Table 146: Question #12 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

Please rate the quality of each of the following services provided by Adams County: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Adams County open space, parks and trails system	79%	76%	88%	70%	85%	76%	68%	81%	76%	91%	81%
Animal Shelter / Adoption Center	66%	59%	55%	63%	53%	61%	73%	54%	64%	48%	38%
Building permits and inspections	48%	52%	68%	44%	46%	51%	45%	52%	55%	57%	12%
Collection of property taxes	59%	55%	55%	56%	60%	55%	56%	52%	56%	64%	31%
Community development (build the capacity of citizen groups and community organizations so they may enhance the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of our communities)	22%	40%	43%	30%	25%	35%	35%	32%	31%	41%	45%
County courts	42%	59%	57%	52%	82%	50%	41%	45%	62%	59%	72%
Development standards and regulations (sets standards and regulations for the unincorporated areas of the county to guide development to protect and promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of the county)	42%	49%	61%	40%	31%	48%	40%	45%	43%	72%	25%
Drainage and storm sewer infrastructure (adequate to handle storm events and prevent flooding) in unincorporated Adams County	37%	55%	41%	55%	42%	51%	28%	61%	55%	47%	51%
Economic development (identify and encourage investments by businesses, creating new jobs)	16%	34%	28%	29%	44%	27%	29%	17%	31%	34%	0%
Elections and voter registrations	52%	63%	57%	62%	72%	58%	53%	49%	64%	57%	86%
Emergency management (coordinates the efforts in coping with emergencies, disasters and terrorist threats by preparing, responding, recovering and mitigating incidents)	32%	56%	48%	51%	78%	48%	35%	44%	63%	53%	52%
Employment assistance programs through the Workforce & Business Center	40%	38%	41%	36%	62%	37%	31%	30%	38%	54%	25%

Please rate the quality of each of the following services provided by Adams County: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Enforcement of county codes, ordinances and regulations (building codes, zoning and development regulations, Blight Ordinance enforcement for the removal of junk and weeds, graffiti removal)	29%	40%	40%	34%	28%	37%	46%	36%	29%	39%	25%
Housing assistance services (emergency housing, rental assistance, down payment assistance for first-time home buyers, etc.)	29%	44%	39%	38%	29%	39%	36%	23%	48%	47%	51%
Long range planning (administers and updates the Comprehensive Long Range Plan, coordinates with both local and regional stakeholders in planning for the current and future needs of the county)	38%	41%	45%	38%	18%	42%	31%	41%	53%	36%	23%
Motor vehicle registration	44%	59%	50%	57%	80%	52%	35%	48%	65%	54%	63%
Online (internet) property lookup	40%	63%	54%	57%	71%	54%	36%	57%	56%	79%	87%
Public records and documents searches	39%	60%	48%	59%	66%	54%	45%	42%	58%	82%	66%
Roadway maintenance of paved and graveled roads in unincorporated Adams County	16%	40%	24%	38%	31%	33%	24%	28%	36%	38%	63%
Services provided to financially challenged families, programs like Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Military Assistance Program, Food Assistance (SNAP/Food Stamps), etc.	33%	44%	42%	38%	81%	38%	44%	33%	39%	34%	67%
Services provided to protect children suspected of being abused or neglected	30%	41%	42%	36%	81%	36%	44%	38%	38%	24%	11%
Services provided to vulnerable adults suspected of being abused or neglected	37%	45%	62%	35%	81%	41%	44%	43%	46%	37%	12%
Sheriff services	40%	62%	52%	59%	63%	56%	55%	61%	53%	57%	73%
Snow and ice removal in unincorporated Adams County	28%	44%	42%	36%	43%	37%	35%	36%	43%	29%	48%
Traffic control (street lights, signs, etc.) in unincorporated Adams County	37%	56%	50%	50%	48%	50%	54%	54%	48%	46%	61%

Table 147: Question #13 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

Looking at the services in Question 12, which FIVE (5) services do you think are MOST important for maintaining and improving the quality of life in Adams County?	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Adams County open space, parks and trails system	28%	38%	25%	41%	30%	36%	13%	32%	46%	40%	42%
Animal Shelter / Adoption Center	18%	10%	3%	18%	2%	14%	5%	14%	18%	7%	6%
Building permits and inspections	9%	6%	8%	6%	9%	7%	19%	4%	6%	4%	6%
Collection of property taxes	0%	11%	12%	6%	3%	8%	4%	5%	9%	15%	15%
Community development (build the capacity of citizen groups and community organizations so they may enhance the economic	22%	17%	26%	14%	8%	20%	12%	16%	17%	33%	24%
County courts	22%	11%	26%	9%	37%	12%	19%	10%	20%	9%	6%
Development standards and regulations (sets standards and regulations for the unincorporated areas of the county to guide development to protect and promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of the county)	8%	23%	8%	23%	12%	19%	13%	17%	22%	12%	45%
Drainage and storm sewer infrastructure (adequate to handle storm events and prevent flooding) in unincorporated Adams County	10%	24%	16%	22%	19%	19%	12%	17%	24%	21%	6%
Economic development (identify and encourage investments by businesses, creating new jobs)	19%	38%	31%	32%	26%	32%	11%	32%	33%	33%	43%
Elections and voter registrations	8%	7%	3%	10%	9%	7%	17%	7%	6%	3%	6%
Emergency management (coordinates the efforts in coping with emergencies, disasters and terrorist threats by preparing, responding, recovering and mitigating incidents)	39%	28%	30%	33%	16%	34%	45%	36%	24%	44%	16%
Employment assistance programs through the Workforce & Business Center	17%	14%	13%	15%	11%	15%	29%	18%	8%	8%	12%

Looking at the services in Question 12, which FIVE (5) services do you think are MOST important for maintaining and improving the quality of life in Adams County?	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Enforcement of county codes, ordinances and regulations (building codes, zoning and development regulations, Blight Ordinance enforcement for the removal of junk and weeds, graffiti removal)	24%	35%	10%	43%	24%	32%	14%	15%	46%	24%	42%
Housing assistance services (emergency housing, rental assistance, down payment assistance for first-time home buyers, etc.)	44%	9%	32%	14%	37%	18%	35%	26%	18%	2%	0%
Long range planning (administers and updates the Comprehensive Long Range Plan, coordinates with both local and regional stakeholders in planning for the current and future needs of the county)	16%	34%	24%	30%	27%	28%	4%	32%	33%	31%	30%
Motor vehicle registration	8%	12%	11%	11%	9%	11%	15%	15%	7%	12%	12%
Online (internet) property lookup	0%	3%	4%	0%	12%	0%	7%	2%	1%	0%	0%
Public records and documents searches	8%	4%	10%	2%	1%	6%	17%	2%	5%	0%	0%
Roadway maintenance of paved and graveled roads in unincorporated Adams County	62%	38%	53%	41%	45%	45%	54%	46%	38%	45%	48%
Services provided to financially challenged families, programs like Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Military Assistance Program, Food Assistance (SNAP/Food Stamps), etc.	23%	14%	29%	11%	6%	19%	23%	24%	6%	39%	0%
Services provided to protect children suspected of being abused or neglected	24%	26%	32%	22%	52%	22%	20%	24%	30%	28%	9%
Services provided to vulnerable adults suspected of being abused or neglected	16%	12%	20%	9%	45%	9%	17%	13%	15%	7%	6%
Sheriff services	30%	27%	22%	31%	17%	30%	29%	24%	30%	26%	61%
Snow and ice removal in unincorporated Adams County	26%	25%	23%	27%	20%	27%	21%	44%	16%	22%	21%
Traffic control (street lights, signs, etc.) in unincorporated Adams County	4%	21%	15%	16%	18%	15%	10%	16%	13%	26%	27%

Note: Percents add to more than 100% as respondents could choose up to five services; tests of statistical significance could not be performed

Table 148: Question #14 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

Looking at the services in Question 12, which FIVE (5) services do you think are LEAST important for maintaining and improving the quality of life in Adams County?	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Adams County open space, parks and trails system	19%	14%	15%	17%	21%	16%	40%	19%	7%	10%	0%
Animal Shelter / Adoption Center	5%	35%	21%	26%	18%	25%	15%	19%	29%	19%	61%
Building permits and inspections	31%	19%	35%	17%	45%	20%	30%	26%	19%	22%	8%
Collection of property taxes	30%	12%	21%	16%	5%	20%	19%	25%	14%	25%	23%
Community development (build the capacity of citizen groups and community organizations so they may enhance the economic social, environmental and cultural well-being of our communities)	12%	18%	12%	19%	9%	17%	19%	14%	18%	16%	8%
County courts	3%	14%	5%	13%	2%	11%	6%	10%	12%	5%	0%
Development standards and regulations (sets standards and regulations for the unincorporated areas of the county to guide development to protect and promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of the county)	28%	14%	28%	12%	48%	14%	26%	19%	21%	11%	0%
Drainage and storm sewer infrastructure (adequate to handle storm events and prevent flooding) in unincorporated Adams County	2%	6%	5%	5%	7%	4%	2%	2%	6%	5%	19%
Economic development (identify and encourage investments by businesses, creating new jobs)	35%	16%	25%	21%	40%	20%	39%	15%	22%	19%	0%
Elections and voter registrations	29%	28%	38%	22%	56%	24%	6%	25%	40%	24%	42%
Emergency management (coordinates the efforts in coping with emergencies, disasters and terrorist threats by preparing, responding, recovering and mitigating incidents)	0%	9%	7%	5%	6%	6%	3%	3%	7%	10%	16%
Employment assistance programs through the Workforce & Business Center	0%	12%	8%	9%	18%	7%	9%	8%	8%	11%	8%

Looking at the services in Question 12, which FIVE (5) services do you think are LEAST important for maintaining and improving the quality of life in Adams County?	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Enforcement of county codes, ordinances and regulations (building codes, zoning and development regulations, Blight Ordinance enforcement for the removal of junk and weeds, graffiti removal)	9%	11%	16%	6%	11%	10%	12%	20%	5%	6%	0%
Housing assistance services (emergency housing, rental assistance, down payment assistance for first-time home buyers, etc.)	8%	24%	6%	25%	11%	20%	8%	24%	16%	25%	54%
Long range planning (administers and updates the Comprehensive Long Range Plan, coordinates with both local and regional stakeholders in planning for the current and future needs of the county)	26%	16%	30%	13%	22%	19%	33%	19%	14%	26%	0%
Motor vehicle registration	17%	20%	21%	18%	11%	20%	16%	13%	17%	38%	8%
Online (internet) property lookup	46%	53%	48%	53%	22%	55%	23%	56%	57%	56%	65%
Public records and documents searches	55%	48%	54%	48%	59%	49%	22%	57%	55%	54%	23%
Roadway maintenance of paved and graveled roads in unincorporated Adams County	1%	8%	6%	5%	6%	6%	5%	5%	4%	9%	8%
Services provided to financially challenged families, programs like Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Military Assistance Program, Food Assistance (SNAP/Food Stamps), etc.	12%	16%	6%	20%	7%	16%	13%	21%	14%	8%	16%
Services provided to protect children suspected of being abused or neglected	1%	4%	0%	4%	11%	2%	1%	1%	3%	5%	8%
Services provided to vulnerable adults suspected of being abused or neglected	8%	8%	1%	13%	11%	8%	4%	19%	7%	3%	15%
Sheriff services	3%	7%	2%	8%	2%	6%	7%	9%	3%	3%	0%
Snow and ice removal in unincorporated Adams County	8%	13%	10%	12%	9%	11%	16%	6%	9%	15%	42%
Traffic control (street lights, signs, etc.) in unincorporated Adams County	13%	12%	12%	13%	17%	12%	22%	17%	9%	7%	8%

Note: Percents add to more than 100% as respondents could choose up to five services; tests of statistical significance could not be performed

Table 149: Question #15 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by Adams County?	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Excellent	6%	7%	9%	5%	8%	6%	13%	4%	7%	6%	0%
Good	38%	53%	45%	50%	28%	50%	36%	49%	52%	56%	63%
Fair	47%	30%	36%	35%	54%	34%	39%	37%	35%	31%	37%
Poor	7%	4%	5%	5%	9%	5%	11%	1%	4%	3%	0%
Don't know	2%	5%	4%	5%	0%	5%	1%	9%	3%	4%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 150: Question #16 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

How would you rate the value of services you receive from Adams County for the taxes paid?	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Excellent	0%	5%	2%	4%	2%	4%	3%	2%	6%	2%	0%
Good	38%	34%	41%	31%	51%	33%	34%	20%	44%	34%	26%
Fair	21%	43%	26%	42%	31%	37%	42%	46%	30%	33%	49%
Poor	16%	13%	14%	13%	14%	14%	12%	21%	11%	10%	22%
Don't know	25%	5%	17%	9%	1%	13%	9%	11%	9%	20%	4%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 151: Question #17 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

How informed would you say you are about the job Adams County government is doing?	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Very well informed	3%	2%	0%	4%	4%	2%	5%	1%	2%	2%	8%
Informed	2%	19%	13%	14%	5%	14%	12%	5%	17%	11%	20%
Somewhat informed	47%	45%	42%	47%	44%	45%	51%	50%	42%	49%	35%
Hardly informed at all	25%	28%	28%	27%	47%	26%	20%	35%	30%	21%	12%
Don't Know	22%	6%	17%	8%	0%	12%	11%	10%	9%	17%	25%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 152: Question #18 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

How much of the time do you think you can trust Adams County government to do what is right?	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Always	1%	4%	0%	4%	0%	3%	1%	4%	5%	1%	0%
Most of the time	36%	44%	47%	40%	40%	42%	33%	37%	44%	53%	50%
Only some of the time	50%	40%	41%	44%	50%	42%	53%	51%	40%	37%	40%
Almost never	2%	7%	5%	6%	2%	6%	3%	5%	6%	7%	0%
Never	11%	4%	7%	6%	9%	6%	10%	3%	5%	3%	11%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 153: Question #19 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

Overall, how would you rate the overall direction that Adams County is taking?	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Excellent	9%	5%	6%	6%	3%	6%	16%	2%	4%	7%	0%
Good	30%	39%	44%	32%	26%	38%	23%	34%	40%	49%	29%
Fair	37%	36%	29%	41%	32%	37%	45%	45%	30%	32%	26%
Poor	7%	8%	6%	8%	4%	8%	11%	3%	8%	3%	12%
Don't know	16%	13%	14%	14%	34%	11%	5%	17%	18%	8%	33%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 154: Question #20 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

Have you had any in-person, phone or email contact with an Adams County employee, regardless of department or office, within the last 12 months (including sheriff, receptionists, planners, engineers or any others)?	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
No	59%	63%	57%	65%	43%	64%	80%	78%	48%	57%	45%
Yes	41%	37%	43%	35%	57%	36%	20%	22%	52%	43%	55%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 155: Question #21 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

What was your impression of the Adams County employee in your most recent contact? (Rate each characteristic below.) (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Knowledge	78%	81%	85%	77%	91%	78%	48%	82%	86%	89%	93%
Responsiveness	63%	79%	67%	78%	91%	71%	44%	87%	86%	53%	86%
Respectfulness	80%	80%	84%	78%	84%	79%	51%	78%	85%	91%	93%
Courtesy	80%	78%	84%	76%	84%	78%	49%	78%	85%	86%	93%
Overall impression	78%	78%	84%	75%	84%	77%	48%	76%	84%	84%	93%

Table 156: Question #22 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

<p>Pretend for a moment that you are responsible for making decisions about service provisions in Adams County that require difficult trade-offs. Now say you have a total of 100 "importance" points that you can distribute among 6 service categories. Please give each category the number of points you think it deserves based on how important you think this is to the quality of community life in Adams County. The most important category should receive the largest number of points. (You must use all but not more than 100 points. You do not have to give points to every category. In fact, if you would like to assign all of the points to 1, 2 or 3 categories and 0 points to all of the others, you may do so). Average Number of Points</p>	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Community Services (includes development review, including long-range planning, fostering public / private partnerships, code enforcement, sustainability efforts to save taxpayer dollars and reduce the county's impact on the environment, funds to help rehab a home or business, public health services including immunization clinics, mosquito control, open space, parks, trails, etc.)	14	19	17	18	17	18	13	19	19	20	17
Economic Development (includes attracting and retaining businesses and jobs)	14	16	17	14	17	15	10	16	17	14	18
Human Services (includes unemployment assistance, workforce training, child protection, adult protection, services for financially challenged families, Head Start, etc.)	25	14	23	14	18	18	28	18	14	15	13
Law Enforcement (includes Sheriff patrol, crime prevention, jail, District Attorney, prosecution, courts, etc.)	19	21	18	22	17	21	19	19	21	24	20
Public Services (includes maintaining official public records, Clerk and Recorder functions such as marriage licenses, elections, Assessor's valuation of property, Coroner, Treasurer, etc.)	10	11	10	11	9	11	10	11	10	10	9
Transportation Infrastructure (includes maintenance and construction of roads, bridges, drainage systems; snow removal, sidewalk construction, etc.)	19	19	16	20	21	18	19	17	19	17	23

Table 157: Question #23 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

Please rate how well Adams County is currently doing in each of the following areas: (Percent rating as "Excellent" or "Good")	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Welcoming resident involvement	44%	37%	40%	39%	46%	39%	25%	32%	43%	63%	35%
Being responsive to residents	54%	43%	57%	39%	34%	47%	42%	38%	54%	54%	10%
Generally acting in the best interest of the community	50%	49%	59%	44%	32%	51%	36%	35%	60%	62%	69%
Informing residents about issues facing the community	35%	39%	41%	35%	27%	39%	41%	29%	31%	54%	40%
Accessibility of elected officials	27%	31%	30%	30%	25%	30%	24%	33%	29%	33%	44%
Being open and transparent to the public	45%	26%	33%	31%	23%	33%	33%	21%	34%	31%	44%
Giving residents a chance to express their views before making decisions	54%	33%	47%	34%	38%	39%	40%	26%	38%	47%	55%
Being honest	40%	36%	48%	31%	42%	37%	39%	29%	42%	34%	44%
Treating residents with fairness and respect	56%	46%	60%	42%	43%	49%	46%	36%	59%	43%	52%

Table 158: Question #24 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

How familiar are you with the Open Adams reform measures that Adams County is undertaking?	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Very familiar	0%	3%	0%	3%	7%	2%	0%	2%	3%	0%	8%
Somewhat familiar	11%	11%	13%	9%	12%	11%	25%	4%	8%	7%	20%
A little bit familiar	25%	18%	21%	21%	7%	22%	23%	21%	13%	35%	8%
Not at all familiar	64%	68%	66%	67%	75%	66%	52%	73%	76%	58%	64%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 159: Question #25 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

In general, how well do you think Adams County is doing on implementing the reform measures?	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Excellent	6%	1%	5%	1%	0%	3%	10%	0%	1%	0%	0%
Good	12%	9%	15%	7%	16%	9%	16%	3%	6%	21%	0%
Fair	17%	12%	12%	14%	7%	14%	22%	17%	9%	10%	12%
Poor	0%	5%	1%	5%	4%	3%	2%	7%	2%	3%	8%
Don't know	66%	73%	67%	74%	73%	71%	50%	73%	81%	66%	80%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 160: Question #27 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

Were you looking for work at any time during the last 2 years?	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
No	66%	76%	75%	71%	88%	71%	66%	70%	80%	70%	86%
Yes	34%	24%	25%	29%	12%	29%	34%	30%	20%	30%	14%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 161: Question #28 by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

Did you use any of the job seeker services at the Adams County Workforce & Business Center?	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
No	30%	61%	37%	53%	100%	46%	18%	77%	64%	33%	100%
Yes	70%	39%	63%	47%	0%	54%	82%	23%	36%	67%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

* Note: Question only asked of those who had been looking for work during the last 2 years.

Table 162: Question #28a by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

Why not?	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 or more
Didn't know about them	75%	62%	71%	60%	39%	65%	50%	87%	69%	31%	0%
Didn't think they would help me	13%	27%	7%	29%	51%	21%	8%	13%	23%	69%	100%
Too difficult to access	13%	3%	6%	9%	41%	6%	16%	0%	11%	0%	0%
Other	12%	12%	17%	10%	10%	12%	34%	5%	8%	0%	0%

** Note: Percents add to more than 100% as respondents could choose more than one reason.
 Question only asked of those who had been looking for work during the last 2 years and who had not used job seeker services at the Adams County Workforce & Business Center.
 Tests of statistical significance could not be performed*

Table 163: Question #28b by Tenure (Rent or Own Home), Presence of Children in Household, Business Ownership Status, and Annual Household Income

How would you rate the quality of the services provided?	Do you rent or own your home?		Do any children 17 or younger live in your household?		Do you own a business in Adams County?		How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the 2012? (Please include total income from all sources and all persons living in your household.)				
	Rent	Own	Yes	No	Yes	No	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$149,999	
Excellent	44%	35%	2%	64%	0%	41%	66%	6%	66%	0%	
Good	33%	31%	60%	15%	100%	31%	2%	70%	12%	89%	
Fair	2%	12%	1%	8%	0%	6%	2%	6%	10%	11%	
Poor	21%	23%	37%	12%	0%	22%	30%	18%	13%	0%	
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	

**Note: Only asked of those who had been looking for work during the last 2 years and who had used job seeker services at the Adams County Workforce & Business Center.*

Appendix D: Verbatim Responses to Open-ended Questions

Following are verbatim responses to the open-ended question on the survey, sorted alphabetically. The verbatim responses were not edited for grammar or punctuation.

Question #2: What do you like best about living in Adams County?

- A little bit of city, a little bit of country.
- Access In hospitals & shopping
- Access to
- ACCESS TO ALL ASPECTS OF LIFE
- Accessibility to Work, Denver, Boulder, Mountains etc
- Affordable
- Agriculture
- All the mature trees in the older neighborhoods.
- All things are handy for good living
- Am a native. Never got enough money to get out of town.
- AREA
- AWAY FROM DENVER
- Been here my whole life
- Being fairly close to downtown Denver.
- BETTER THAN DENVER
- Bike Trails - Please feel free to add more east bound.
- Bus Lines
- Central & other cities
- CENTRAL LOCATION
- Central to Denver
- Cheaper housing costs
- Cheaper to live in Adams County
- City life, but, close enough for outdoor mountain activities.
- City/Suburban/Rural and Open Space Blend
- Clean air, low traffic congestion
- CLEAN AND HELPFUL THANK YOU
- Climate/Location
- CLOSE ENOUGH TO AIRPORT, DENVER, SURROUNDING AREAS, ETC
- Close proximity to Denver

- Close to airport
- Close to Denver but still somewhat rural
- Close to Denver, but still feels smaller town
- CLOSE TO DENVER, INEXPENSIVE HOME
- Close to Downtown
- Close to I - 25
- CLOSE TO MOST SHOPPING
- Close to Water World
- CLOSE TO WORK
- Convenience of businesses. Schools are good.
- CONVENIENCE OF MOTOR VEHICLE LOCATION
- CONVENIENCE TO DOWNTOWN DENVER
- Convent To Hiways and Stores
- Cost
- Cost of living
- Country feel
- Country feel
- Country living
- County/city is upgrading parks.
- DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS TO CITIES, TOWNS AND OPEN SPACE AND PARKS
- DK.
- Don't have to go too far for necessities
- DON'T KNOW
- EASY ACCESS TO DOWNTOWN, AIRPORT, AND I-25
- Events the County does
- Everything
- FREE HOUSING IS KILLING OUR AREA. WE DON'T KNOW OUR NEIGHBORS ANY MORE. THE PEOPLE THAT COME HERE KEEP MOVING FROM PLACE TO PLACE. NO COMMUNITY
- Friendly middle class
- Fun to witness political corruption
- Good access to shopping/services/not being too city/metro
- Good sheriff & road services, low sales tax.
- Has both city and a country feel depending on where you are
- Haven't been here long enough (2 years)
- HIGHWAY ACCESS, MOTORCYCLES
- Housing is less expensive

- Housing prices & convenience to Denver, Boulder & Ft Collins
- I can not answer for all of Adam Co.
- I don't know, I have lived here almost my whole life. I really don't have anything to compare it to.
- I FEEL SAFE IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD
- I grew up here
- I just moved to Adams County a few months ago so I'm still learning the area. I do like the open spaces
- I like how close it is to everything, I love all the parks and open spaces
- I LIKE HOW NICE ALL THE PEOPLE ARE
- I like the combination of rural & urban living.
- I LIVE IN A SR APT COMPLEX & LOVE THE QUIETNESS & SAFETY OF OUR COMPLEX
- I'm pleased with everything
- IT'S NOT DENVER COUNTY
- It's where i grewup-feel safe
- I've lived here all my life.
- Jobs
- JUST MOVED IN ON 3/5/12
- Just moved-in
- Large house in Thornton for less money community events in Thornton are great than other places.
- Law & order in unincorporated part.
- Less Congestion - Quieter - Open Space
- Less intensive code/code enforcement
- Less traffic & not close to Denver city
- Like the neighborhood
- Lived in County all of my 68 years-DON'T KNOW
- LOCATED IN COLORADO AND AWAY FROM INNERCITY
- Location
- Location
- Location
- Location
- Location of I-25
- LOCATION OF MEDICAL TREATMENT
- LOCATION RELATIVE TO OTHER PLACES
- LOCATION TO THE MOUNTAINS, DENVER LOVELAND + FT. COLLINS AREA
- Looser zoning laws

- Low crime rates, clean
- Low prices on homes for a first time buyer.
- Low property taxing
- LOW TAXES
- Lower sales tax
- LOWER TAXES
- LOWER TAXES
- Lower Taxes
- Lower Taxes & No Dog Breed Bans
- LOW-KEY WAY OF LIFE
- Meeting New People
- Mix of urban & rural
- Neighborhood
- Neighborhoods, open spaces, parks, access to city (Denver)
- Nice, quite county
- No Choice - Home paid for why more
- NOT AS MANY PEOPLE
- Not much anymore
- NOT TOO FAR FROM WORK
- Nothing
- Nothing []
- NOTHING IN PARTICULAR
- Open air less wind
- Open land, no Big corporations please
- Open Space
- Open Space
- Open Space
- OPEN SPACE AND PARKS
- Open Space Land
- Open space; country areas
- OPENESS, UNLIKE OTHER COUNTIES & CITYS
- Our Location is between Westminster Thornton Federal Heights (Unincorporated Adams)
- Over all there are good people here
- Overall - a SAFE place to live
- Parks
- Parks
- Parks

- Parks & Rec.
- Property prices are affordable.
- Proximity to a wide variety of services; open space.
- PROXIMITY TO MOUNTAINS
- Proximity to other locations
- Proximity To Recreation Areas
- Proximity to what I need & open space
- Proximity to work
- Quality of life. All your needs are fulfilled within the county limits
- QUIET
- Quiet and very little crime-Now!
- Quiet neighborhoods & authority
- Quiet, if mexicans, or Immigrants do not give loud parties
- Quietness
- Resources, easy access to everything.
- Reunion/Todd Creek area
- Rural Adams County is ideal
- Rural Areas close to the area cities
- Safe area to live in, not a high crime area
- Safe, but close to Denver
- SCHOOLS
- Seems like a nice place to live
- SEGURIOAD SERVICES PUBLICO
- SEMI RURAL, LOWER COST/ SPENDING OF GOVERNMENT
- Sending crooked employees to jail and the surrounding group!
- Sense of community
- Sense of community in my neighborhood
- Since 1959_ I don't have to travel hwy 25 to work
- Small town - we moved here from Denver
- Small Town Living
- Space
- Streets are clean
- Taxes are lower than Boulder, Jefferson, Broomfield counties
- That it's in Colorado
- The appearance & business
- The city takes care of the Roads.
- The Festivals, (winter fest, Ice cream concert socials, etc)

- The major part of the population is on the west end.
- THE NEIGHBORHOODS ARE FAIRLY QUIET
- The neighbors
- The new shops in Stapleton, Rec center, wesdenly creek
- The parks
- The Peace & Quiet On our Street.
- THE PEOPLE ARE VERY NICE
- THE PEOPLE WHO WORK HERE
- The rec. Center Mac and the other
- The rural atmosphere
- THE RURAL FEEL
- The Sheriff dept – They do a great job & very nice
- The upkeep and upgrades of the roads.
- The view! Close to the mountains & Lots of open space
- The walking paths/parks near my home.
- The weather
- TRAFFIC NOT TOO BAD, LOW CRIME RATE, AFFORDABLE HOUSING.
- Unincorporated tax rate
- Walking good market trails dog parks, Kid Parks
- We like the people/neighborhood that we live in
- WE LIVE ACROSS THE STREET FROM A PARK!
- We live close to all highways.
- We live in a rural area & have little if any problems with criminal behavior
- WHERE I LIVE ALL THE PARKS & TRAILS

Question #7: What kinds of jobs would you like to see remain or grow in Adams County? – Other responses

- ACCOMODATIONS AND SERVICES FOR SENIORS
- ALL OF THE ABOVE
- Adams County has much growth in many areas going on.
- Age related
- ALL
- ALL
- ALL
- ALL JOBS
- ALL JOBS

- ALL OF THE ABOVE
- ALL OF THE ABOVE
- ALL OF THE ABOVE
- All of the above.
- All of them
- All the above except government
- Any jobs that are legal & humane
- Being Heidis Back
- Boys-Girls Big Brothers & Sisters for youth
- Bring Agriculture Back to Importance
- Camp grounds.
- Elderly care
- Everything
- Fill empty strip malls
- Green Tech
- Grocery
- Have no Idea (Retired)
- Help small business, and get contract work.
- Jobs for real Americans
- More average restaurant other than Mexican, more neighborhood rec pools
- No RTD Trains, Why pay
- NORTHGLENN NEEDS GROCERY STORE
- Private Business
- Renewable energy
- Renewable Energy
- Retired & disabled
- SEEMS I FEEL MOST ANY JOB OR BUSINESS IS GOOD FOR A COMMUNITY
- SHOOTING RANGE
- Veterinary/ Animal
- Whatever works
- YOU DIDN'T LIST OIL AND MINING

Question #28, follow up to respondents answering they did not use any of the job seeker services at the Adams County Workforce & Business Center: Why not? Other responses

- Used the same sources {myself} that they use

Question #29: Do you have any additional comments you would like to make about quality of life in Adams County, or the way the county government operates or delivers services?

- 6-8 months ago I printed onto on the Lock Box Program supposedly administered by the police department, when I called about It was transferred MANY times & no one knew any thing
- Adams 12 school dist. You asked about others but not ours!?! The schools need help! Quit taking their money away!
- ADAMS COUNTY GENERALLY "LOOKS" RUN DOWN COMPARED TO OTHER COUNTIES. PROPERTY TAXES ARE HIGH! SCHOOLS ARE TERRIBLE
- Adams County is a safe place to live, not a high crime area.
- Adams County is very politically corrupt and elected officials Are not to be trusted - A Major Problem!
- Adams County needs more public transportation. Without a car, getting around is next to impossible.
- Adams Co should start deporting wetbacks - we have been invaded by Illegals! Look at our school's-how many fair hair kids do you see playing in school yards? not many- all you see is black hair! Stop using my tax dollars for public schools! Their culture
- ALL IN ALL, GOVERNMENT NEEDS TO COMMUNICATE WITH CITIZENS MORE RE: NEEDS, PLANS, DEFICITS, AVAILABLE MONIES.
- A lot of the streets need sidewalks.
- AM CONCERNED ABOUT ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS/TOXINS SUCH AS SUNCAR'S LEAKS INTO OUR RIVER/WATER SUPPLY.
- AS A SENIOR CITIZEN I DON'T HAVE ENOUGH INCOME TO DO ANY MORE THAN PAY MY BILLS. I ALSO DON'T HAVE CITY TRANSPORTATION TO DO ANYTHING AFTER 7.00 P.M. TO EVEN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF FREE EVENING EVENTS EVEN IF IT WAS SAFE TO WALK 2 BLOCKS TO A BUS STOP AT NIGHT
- Because all Adams County depts are corrupt & tightly controlled the only way to clean this up is to replace all directors and employees of these corrupt & controlled agency!
- Believe we seriously need to improve our school in Dist. 50. The court system needs to STOP "slapping the lands" of the GUILTY and treat the VICTIM with respect."
- Big Corporations own Adams County, locally-owned stores are non-existent. There are McDonalds, fast-food, with-in 2 miles apart. An individual doesn't have variety, beside Pepsi cola, Hershey, fast food corporations.
- Businesses and retail now need to be developed in the areas where housing has been developed in rural areas in the last 7 years or so.
- Clean up the bidding of contracted services.
- Clean up the County Commission once & for all
- CLEAN UP THE NEIGHBORHOOD IN NORTH STAR SCHOOL NEIGHBORHOOD
- Commissioner should be one / term only. Government officials should not hire families. Adams is seen by official family only in contracts, bids towards to their family and friends. Adams does not give opportunities to small business.

- Concerned about integrity of elected officials, "assessor " and council. Too much corruption inside government
- Considering the men at the commissioners office & assessors office, the county has some work to do to repair their reputation & get residents trust back
- Despite recent revelations of improper actions by Adams County officials I think the majority of our officials are honest & have the interests of the tax payers as their # 1 concern.
- Difficult to rate Adams County as a whole. It's so different from place to place and where you live within the county. Overall, North Thornton is great most schools are good up here (Stargate is great) but southern and eastern areas are lacking. We need a

- DISAPPOINTED IN TAX ASSESSMENT CORRUPTION ALLEGATIONS, AS WELL AS PAVING CONTRACT TRANSGRESSIONS. THE OFFICIALS INVOLVED SHOULD BE PROSECUTED PROMPTLY.
- Don't like crooked assessor or some crooked County Commissioners. Some should be put in jail
- Education is the future. The schools here perform poorly! Improving the schools would greatly improve our community! The sheriff dept. Is doing a great job. Clean up the "freaks" on Federal Blvd!
- Elected official need to be cautious about how they spend money.
- Enforce code violations for weed &junk stored by houses. Fire hazard. Old cars in garage-with no plate fire hazard.
- Feel like we live in 'no mans lane' as the Sheriffs dept. has told us-'they make the rules around here' The laws are not upheld here-people do what ever they want-like park and drive on the WRONG SIDE of the street or in their front Lawn!
- FINE AS IS
- Fix & grade on 136th Ave between Potomac & US 85 due to puddling on south side of street.
- Focus should be in education, both in the classroom and administratively! It has been poor for some time.
- For unincorporated Adams county I would like to see recycling & free drop offs like tree branches & such like the cities have.
- Generally speaking, I know little about the working of Adams County. We're more likely to pay attention when things don't run well for us.
- GET RID OF CORRUPT OFFICIALS - NICHOLE, GIL REYES FIX THE ROADS CORRECTLY. I'M TIRED OF BOUNCING AROUND TOWN.
- Getting people amnesty does not make you a citizen and does not given you the right to vote. A driver's license with your picture does not give you the right to vote. A birth certificate or/and citizenship papers signed by a judge & witness does. Prove you
- Honestly not too involved or informed on county services. I've always had a positive image about Adams County.
- How can I find affordable housing for my father who is elderly and on a fixed income? He is in Lakewood and in a dangerous neighborhood. I would like to bring him to Adams County so he is with family!

- I am a senior citizen and don't know about a lot of services. You used to have a little newspaper (like the Sental) and I used to get my information from there.
- I am almost 80 years old & disabled and very much out of touch and sorry that I couldn't be more help. Sincerely, [_____]
- I am completely disgusted and embarrassed with the amount of graffiti in unincorporated Adams County. I am afraid to go for a walk with the loose dogs and pitbulls in unincorporated Adams County. I am sick of dog feces in my yard when I don't have a dog. I am impressed they are doing a survey
- I am just going to comment on the appearance of this area where I live. Graffiti is a problem. Furniture and junk in the yards. Reported it to the county and one month later, it mainly is still there area. {undo} are a problem, don't know. Just not like it was
- I AM RETIRED I DO NOT NEED WORK BUT THERE ARE LOT OF PEOPLE UNEMPLOYED AND FAMILIES SUFFERING BECAUSE OF JOB LOSS.
- I am sick of news reports about crooks in government - please find some honest non-greedy Democrats - kick out Republicans
- I believe a changing of the guard is a good thing. It seems in the past government was controlled by prominent families
- I did find it quite difficult to be positive - what with all of the news about the County Comm & the Assessor.
- I felt like part of a community when I received notification stating/asking for my opinion. Thank you!
- I FIND THE UN-FINISHED DEVELOPMENTS IN UNINCORPORATED TO BE AN EYE SORE 88TH & LOWELL, 88TH & FEDERAL, 100TH & FEDERAL. THEY HAVE TURNED INTO WEED FILLED LOTS.
- I GREW UP HERE, MOVED AWAY AND MOVED BACK TO RAISE MY DAUGHTERS. THEY DIDN'T ENJOY GROWING UP HERE AND SWEAR NEVER TO RETURN. I ENJOYED BEING RAISED HERE AND SOMEWHAT ENJOY IT NOW. NICE TO HAVE NEW RESTAURANTS NEW SCHOOLS, PEOPLE ARE NOT FRIENDLY. BUT I AM.
- I hate the HOAs, There an unnecessary expense. They charge me money to enforce rules the Govt already has and they have ridiculous powers too, like put a lien on someone's home.
- I have great concern about the availability of, sale of and use of drugs us my area which of near E.B. Rains park.
- I have lived in Adams County for 77 years & have always been happy here. There isn't a good mall for shopping in Northglenn. The quality of available education has steadily declined.
- I HAVE SEEN MY NEIGHBORHOOD GO FROM GOOD TO GANGSTERS, GRAFFITI, PIT BULLS, BROKEN GLASS, LOUD MUSIC, CHILD NEGLECT AND CRIME.
- I have some choice words about my property taxes being raised while my home lost 80k. value in 2010.
- I know that things are improving in my "Goat Hill" neighborhood. But it is a sin that West H.S. budget was 92 million and it is next to a slum! - Improve quicker!
- I LIKE LIVING IN ADAMS COUNTY. HOWEVER, I WOULD REALLY LIKE TO SEE MORE OPEN SPACE, TRAILS, ANOTHER REC CENTER IN THE NORTH THORNTON AREA

- I live at 72nd & Sheridan. No one is redeveloping Albertsons shopping center spots due to Walmart. So several strip malls are bare. We need more parks & bike paths. I like Arvada because they have that. I'm glad Penneys is staying. I'm not driving up I-25 just to go there.
- I live in unincorporated Adams County. The water is bad, the roads are terrible, there are no streetlights, and nothing is done about unsightly homes or dog control.
- I Love the 3 Acres we purchased out here. Quiet, great neighbors. Lived in Aurora for 31 years. Best move I ever made! Corrupt officials in Adams city have been an issue lately.
- I really don't know a lot about it.
- I really enjoy the Winter Fest fireworks Festivals & the Ice Cream concert socials, where I can talk to council members in an informal setting. I'd like to see complete off street connecting bicycle routes. I.e.- There is No East/West connection south of
- I think it's also up to us citizens to seek out information about county - which I obviously don't do - since I don't seem to know a lot !
- I think making the water softer and not so hard because it dries out your skin and it tastes funny.
- I think that one of the commissioner portray herself badly for the county, I am glad that she wasn't able to rerun.
- I think that the commissioner should take more interest in the elderly and the poor needing help- and have honest people in the county office.
- I think the fees attached to shopping in the Adams County area of Brighton's Platte Valley should be removed paid by builders, or let's be honest and vote for them as a tax. I, like many others, shop outside my community because of them.
- I THINK THE COUNTY IS SO DIVERSE THAT ANSWERS WILL VARY GREATLY & THIS SURVEY SHOULD BE BROKEN DOWN MORE TO CONSIDER ISSUES REGIONALLY INSTEAD OF COUNTY WIDE
- I think there are areas of Adams Cty that are at increased risk for crime and poverty. I appreciate that graffiti is removed promptly and hope that consideration will be taken for business development. To decrease this risk (Type of business clusters)
- I THINK THERE WAS A LOT OF MONEY SPENT ON THE NEW HIGH SCHOOL THAT COULD HAVE BEEN PUT TO BETTER USE IN EDUCATION SERVICE.
- I was a teacher who was treated horribly in Dist. I. As a result of my experiences and my witnessing incompetent administration, I no longer have faith in this corrupt educational system.
- I WISH THE COUNTY WOULD PROVIDE TRASH PICK UP. PEOPLE WOULD BE LESS LIKELY TO PILE TRASH IN THEIR YARDS WHICH IS AN EYE SORE AND HEALTH ISSUE NO LONGER HAVE CONFIDENCE IN OUR COMMISSIONERS.
- I WORK WITH ADAMS COUNTY REGIONAL PARK / FAIRGROUNDS TO HOST DOG AGILITY EVENTS. THE STAFF THERE IS EXCELLENT!
- I would like to see a significant investment made into the Adams County school districts. Its embarrassing how bad our public schools are and how low Adams schools score. If you want to keep & attract quality residents our school systems need to improve.
- I WOULD LIKE TO SEE SOME HONEST PEOPLE IN OUR ADAMS COUNTY GOVT. IT IS A SHAME WHAT HAS HAPPENED OUR MONEY HAS JUST BEEN WASTED.

- I would like to see vacant, rundown buildings & areas & roads fixed up & used before building new ones unless not as cost effective.
- I would like to think I can trust persons that work in public jobs.
- I WOULD LOVE A GOVERNMENT JOB.
- I'm not happy the way Adams County care about itself and not the people who make up the county. No common sense with Adams County headers
- I'm so appreciative of the trash service because I'm handicapped & the helping of a house tax problem due to my health. Thank you so much - I've been here 39 years.
- IN GENERAL I AM PLEASED WITH QUALITY OF LIFE IN ADAMS. MY COMPLAINTS: SPENDING SO MUCH MONEY FROM PROPERTY TAX ON SCHOOLS. SCHOOLS WASTE MONEY.
- In my opinion Adams County District 50 schools, need a lot of work for their schools. I don't agree with this standard Based Education system, It doesn't work, and if students need tutoring they should get it. Not to base it on a family's income.
- In unincorporated Adams, our Thornton water bills are so high, many residents let their yards go. Also, there seems to be no code enforcement regarding weeds, vehicles parked in yards, junk, etc.
- Enforce City Codes. A clean Town makes people want to live here. I have lived here since 1962. If I could afford to I would move!
- IT IS DISAPPOINTING TO HEAR ABOUT ADAMS COUNTY INVOLVEMENT WITH QUALITY PAVING AND THE ABUSE OF THE SYSTEM THAT TOOK PLACE. ALSO UNFAIR THAT ASSESSMENTS AND HOW GIL REYES IS STILL EMPLOYED BY ADAMS COUNTY AFTER HIS UNFAIR ASSESSMENTS FOR PERSONAL GAIN.
- It seems as if the poorer neighborhoods are left in the dark about public matters.
- IT SEEMS LIKE A LOT OF THE EDUCATED WORK FORCE GOES TO DENVER OR BOULDER TO WORK. BETTER TRANSPORTATION TO THESE PLACES AND / OR BETTER LOCAL JOBS WOULD BE A PLUS.
- It seems like Adams County encourages rental properties (apartments complexes) that are run-down and attract less than desirable tenants. Specifically it seems like the County is encouraging "Slum Lords" and illegal immigration just to increase tax revenue
- It seems that what some of us have to say is overlooked. Our Sherriff should have been disciplined for his actions but was not. The successor was not disciplined either. So it seems like the government is above the law.
- It seems to me we would have more money to spend for school if there weren't so many crooks in Adams County government
- LOWER MY TAXES
- Lower taxes, less Government, less government administration
- More controls over departments expenditures
- More frequent bus services.
- My neighborhood has a significant gang issue, there is a lot of graffiti, and people do not feel safe. The retail space is run-down, and the streets are not well maintained. I am considering moving to a safer neighborhood in another county. The sheriff's

- My problem is we live on main street (Pecos) Snow trucks throw snow in our drive way, my husband is on dialysis have to leave early in morning and I have to try dig out my driveway to get vehicle out. I try to stop driver but he won't stop, I call
- N/A
- N/A
- N/A
- N/A
- NA
- NEED TO GET RID OF ALICE NICHOL - I CAN'T BELIEVE SHE IS STILL IN OFFICE & MAKING DECISIONS FOR ADAMS CTY. WHAT AN EMBARRASSMENT SHE IS.
- Need to limit retail which are strictly for Latinos-store advertising should be in ENGLISH. Afraid Latinos will take more retail opportunities-County caters to Spanish speakers.
- Need to spend money and work on unincorporated Adams instead of building new around it.
- NEIGHBORHOOD SPEEDS ARE WAY TOO HIGH (SPEED OF TRAFFIC, NOT POSTED SPEEDS)
- No
- No
- No
- No
- No
- no
- No additional comments
- No comment, I am retired, everthing with me is enough.
- No I'm happy as is. Thanks.
- NONE
- None
- None
- None
- Nope
- NOT AT THIS TIME
- Not at this time
- Not happy about the new building. Unnecessary expense causing quality of life to decrease to County Employees. I AM NOT employed by county. You hired someone in N.J. to do a Survey? What about local print shops?
- One concern I have is the way we allow warehouses/buildings to be constructed & then they sit empty for years & possibly forever. There should be a lease before construction. I also have concerns the way assistance is given to people who have several fami

- Only if you can fix traffic on Essex on Unincorporated Adams County called city View Heights, people use this street to get to the Highway on 84th It's gotten like a speedway in 36 years. I've seen a few collisions. Thank you
- Over all a good place to live, diverse people, Not hoity-toity.
- OVER ALL Excellent
- Overall it's a great community to live in need more retail options, trails that connect, more transportation opportunities - light rail some day.
- PAST UNETHICAL PUBLIC OFFICIALS DEALINGS HAVE GIVEN THE COUNTY A BLACK EYE. OPEN, HONEST BEHAVIORS AND TIME WILL BE NEEDED TO REGAIN PUBLIC TRUST.
- People moving here seem to not care about property numerous people in single family home, trash in always
- Please consider the vast job/taxes/quality of life opportunity associated with enticing small, sustainable organic business such as raising organic livestock, organic farming & petting zoos, etc - a boon to everyone & preserves the land.
- PLEASE ENFORCE THE FIRE WORKS CODE!
- Please focus on our schools. These children make up our future. Gov't needs to make better choices where funding is being allocated.
- Poor property tax assignment. Hopefully getting straightened out. Very great mis-management of finance in School District 50.
- Public transportation is greatly needed in this area (light rail) Easy access to E-470 would also be nice. Why not the south side of Denver paying for E-470?
- Quality of life here in Adams County has been good and fair for our family. Do they have a Big Brothers-n-Sisters organization? Focus more on jobs and crime need extra attention.
- Question # 23: City of Thornton officials are great, honest respectful, open acting in our best interest etc. The county leaves a lot of questions to be answered
- Quit cutting education budgets. School districts in Adams County are failing because of severe budget cuts. It seems Adams County only believes in overcrowding its classrooms and demanding more from students and teachers. This is ridiculous.
- RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CODES NEED TO BE AFFIRMED. TRAFFIC LAWS NEED TO BE ENFORCED. FIREWORKS ARE OUT OF CONTROL.
- Residents should be kept informed on what the county is doing near them. I live on Riverdale Rd. What are all the lakes, ponds, etc. for? What are they going to be used for? An email, a letter, something would be nice! Communicate with residents to that effect.
- Roads in back areas need work - black top or other cover would help sections left undone-entirely muddy when it rains or snows. Need more grocery stores, good restaurants in northern area.
- SAVE THE MONEY SPENT ON THIS SURVEY SPEND IT ON A COUNTY PROJECT LIKE A FIRING RANGE OR ROADS
- Seriously concerned about Adams County Five Star Schools & how the budget is being spent to better educate Adams County children.
- SHERIFF'S DEPT. IS DOING AN EXCELLENT JOB!

- Since having retired, I have left a lot of stuff go and am enjoying life. But try to keep up on important stuff.
- **START WITH VALUES ON BACK PAGE-**
- Stop wasting water on landscaping. Make it all Xeric. Enforce vehicle pollution and noise laws.
- Streets & roads on par with Colo. State Rds which are embarrassment to residents when tourists come thru. More money spent on guardrails & painting of lines than used to fill holes or put down new pavement!
- Survey is too broad & redundant
- The appointed and elected officials that have brought disgrace to the county & their office should resign, step down & pay back for all of their to inappropriate & criminal activities
- The area around the entries like I-270 including Commerce City. Does nothing to project a positive image of Adams County
- The breaking at Legacy Ridge.
- The County Assessor, Gil Reyes, is an absolute disgrace yet he remains in office.
- **THE FACT IS THE GOVERNMENT IS ONLY AS STRONG AS IT'S PEOPLE. IF WE VOTE IN CROOKED POLITICIANS WE ARE TO BLAME NOT THE SYSTEM. ITS THE GOOD ELECTED SERVANTS THAT KEEP OUR COUNTY GREAT!**
- The loss of an onsite manager from Strasburg east lowered our quality of life, snow removal (road opening) is slower. Main roads were kept in better condition. Help in emergency situation no longer exists. Taxes collected verses services seem off balance
- The north metropolitan area is lacking development especially in highway infrastructure and taxes are not equally appropriated, Example, RTD has neglected our area and Adams County Commissioners need to do more to address this matter.
- The one who used County taxes to pave their drive at home should have to pay for it.
- **THE PERCEPTION OF ADAMS CTY GOVT SEEMS TO BE ONE OF CORRUPTION. YOUR TAXES ARE VERY HIGH COMPARED TO BOULDER & LARIMER. WE LACK CONFIDENCE, AT THIS TIME, IN ADAMS CTY'S ADEQUATE CONTROL OF OUR EXCESS PE TAX CONTRIBUTIONS.**
- The questionable ethics of our elected officials is concerning.
- The snowplow services range from good at times to poor. I have had the snowplow leave huge boulders of snow near my mailbox and driveway many times, that I have had to shovel, and move myself to prevent car damage.
- The streets in my neighborhood are very bad there are many pot holes, through out The streets, also alot of speeding around the streets where are children play.
- **THE TOLLS ON E470 ARE OUTRAGEOUS! THE LOWER SPEED LIMITS AROUND IT ARE INFURIATING. I THINK THE COUNTY OUGHT TO PLAY A ROLE IN REMAKING HOW E470 IS MANAGED. SO FAR, I CONSIDER E470 A FAILURE.**
- The water provided by S. Adams County water is horribly hard. There's No reason for it to be so hard It's why I will be leaving the county
- There are multiple people living in single residences, empty homes are eye sores, weeds, junky yards - code violations are ignored. Storm sewers are not cleaned out often enough

- There wasn't much out there when I looked online. When I went to the nearest facility--the lines were long and it was taking too much time.
- THEY CALL MY AREA RURAL, SO I DONT GET THE SAVINGS FOR UNDERGROUND TELEPHONE LINES, OR ELECTRICAL SAVINGS. ISNT IT ABOUT TIME TO BRING MY RURAL AREA UP TO 2012 STANDINGS? IF I LIVE IN A RURAL SETTING, WHY AM I NOT PAYING RURAL PROPERTY TAXES?
- They only comment I have is on paying property taxes. When someone is behind on their taxes they have to pay the full amount with either a money order or cashiers check. There is no sort of payment options and you should be able to make payments other t
- THIS WAS A DIFFICULT QUESTIONAIRE. TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN ANY TASK, JUST FOLLOW THIS PLAN: DO ALL THINGS AS UNTO THE LORD. YOU CAN'T FAIL THEN.
- Throw all the Adams Co commissioners in Jail !
- Too much corruption on part of certain elected officials and employees. Those elected officials who are not corrupt are not taking the lead in promoting measures to remove corrupt officials.
- Try calling the County Commissoners, see if any one is in. See what response you have calling the Sheriffs dept. Why do we have to pay someone in NJ. to conduct the survey? Can't anyone in Adams County count?
- Unincorporated Adams has many homes w/ junk in front & back yards, Too many dogs in one family, environment lowers houses in conditions rated as lower income.
- Upgrade 1-25 on north side bring business back - need a north tech center
- Wasteful Spending Thru Consultants, Trainers, Advisers. Come On Ethics by A NYC Firm. Before the Nichols, Warren, Robinson, Asay and Quality Paving Corruption. We were the Envy of Others by Level of Quality and success. Do Not Reinvent the wheel
- WE HAVE A GOOD JAIL-USE IT?
- We have lived in Adams County for less than 6 months so we don't have much county- related info or opinions, However, are will work to research/learn more about the county now that we're settled in
- We live in unincorporated Adams, don't know about other areas: Westminster, Fed. Heights, Thornton Northglenn, as we have little to do in those areas.
- We love living in Brighton - Our church is wonderful, Zion Congregational, our neighbors, are great - we love chick fila, kings, kohls We are happy to see the former members of county government brought to justice - police & fire department excellent – great
- We love the Adams County Fair in August. We have been attending it since the 70's. We visit the cultural center/history museum often. Adams Co. Should hold more events there.
- We need 5 county commissioners. The county has grown enough to justify 6. But if they aren't honest & ethical - 3 are enough
- We need better bus routes to Anschutz Medical campus & Downtown. Not sure if the county handles this or not.
- We need more code enforcement in Shaw Heights; sofas and other furniture in the front yard front porches, over grown weeds etc. Don't know about unincorporated Adams County.
- We would enjoy more parks and walking/biking paths that are cleaned up and don't have homeless people living on them. The graffiti in the neighborhood is quite an eyesore.

- Why do we need street lights on Hwy 2? No Asphalt on Imboden Rd-where did the money go? don't pay till the work is done.
- Would like more shopping & gas stations in North Thornton would like Holly and 144th paved.
- Would like to see clean up along Federal from 92nd south, clean up Schools - right now would have to send kids to Westminster High, not comfortable with that school's reputation.