

# **Quality of Life in Otsego County**

#### 1. How would you describe your overall quality of life?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Very Poor	0.6%	1
Poor	1.7%	3
Neither Poor nor Good	8.0%	14
Good	48.9%	86
Very Good	40.9%	72
	answered question	176
	skipped question	2

#### 2. How would you describe your sense of belonging to Otsego County? Response Response Percent Count Very Weak 2.3% 4 Somewhat Weak 19.3% 34 Somewhat Strong 45.5% 80 Very Strong 33.0% 58 answered question 176 skipped question 2

### 3. In the past 12 months, how often have you shopped or dined in downtown Elmira?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Never	62.3%	109
Rarely (1-2 times per year)	29.1%	51
Sometimes (1-2 times per month)	6.9%	12
Often (1-2 times per week)	1.7%	3
	answered question	175
	skipped question	3

## 4. In the past 12 months, how often have you shopped or dined in downtown Gaylord?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Never	1.1%	2
Rarely (1-2 times per year)	9.7%	17
Sometimes (1-2 times per month)	45.5%	80
Often (1-2 times per week)	43.8%	77
	answered question	176
	skipped question	2

# 5. In the past 12 months, how often have you shopped or dined in downtown Johannesburg?

Response Count	Response Percent	
62	35.4%	Never
92	52.6%	Rarely (1-2 times per year)
19	10.9%	Sometimes (1-2 times per month)
2	1.1%	Often (1-2 times per week)
175	answered question	
3	skipped question	

#### 6. In the past 12 months, how often have you shopped or dined in downtown Vanderbilt?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Never	62.3%	109
Rarely (1-2 times per year)	30.3%	53
Sometimes (1-2 times per month)	4.6%	8
Often (1-2 times per week)	2.9%	5
	answered question	175
	skipped question	3

#### 7. In the past 12 months, how often have you shopped or dined in downtown Waters?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Never	52.0%	90
Rarely (1-2 times per year)	34.7%	60
Sometimes (1-2 times per month)	11.6%	20
Often (1-2 times per week)	1.7%	3
	answered question	173
	skipped question	5

## 8. In the past 12 months, how often have you recreated in the Pigeon River State Forest?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Never	44.0%	77
Rarely (1-2 times per year)	36.0%	63
Sometimes (1-2 times per month)	14.9%	26
Often (1-2 times per week)	5.1%	9
	answered question	175
	skipped question	3

9. How often do you leave Otsego County for shopping?			
	Response Percent	Response Count	
Never	3.4%	6	
Rarely (1-2 times per year)	50.9%	89	
Sometimes (1-2 times per month)	42.9%	75	
Often (1-2 times per week)	2.9%	5	
	answered question	175	
	skipped question	3	

#### 10. How often do you leave Otsego County for entertainment? Response Response Percent Count 7.5% 13 Never Rarely (1-2 times per year) 50.6% 88 Sometimes (1-2 times per month) 36.2% 63 Often (1-2 times per week) 5.7% 10 answered question 174 skipped question 4

# 11. How often do you leave Otsego County for medical care?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Never	21.6%	38
Rarely (1-2 times per year)	58.0%	102
Sometimes (1-2 times per month)	17.0%	30
Often (1-2 times per week	3.4%	6
	answered question	176
	skipped question	2

12. How safe do you feel in	your home during the day?		
		Response Percent	Response Count
Very unsafe		1.1%	2
Somewhat unsafe	0	0.6%	1
Somewhat safe		17.1%	30
Very safe		81.1%	142
		answered question	175
		skipped question	3

#### 13. How safe do you feel in your home after dark? Response Response Percent Count Very unsafe 2 1.1% Somewhat unsafe 1.7% 3 Somewhat safe 30.7% 54 Very safe 66.5% 117 answered question 176 skipped question 2

### 14. How safe do you feel walking alone in your neighborhood during the day?

-	Response Percent	
1%	1.1%	Very unsafe
7%	1.7%	Somewhat unsafe
2%	17.2%	Somewhat safe
9%	79.9%	Very safe
on	answered question	
on	skipped question	

## 15. How safe do you feel walking alone in your neighborhood after dark?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Very unsafe	3.4%	6
Somewhat unsafe	8.0%	14
Somewhat safe	40.9%	72
Very safe	47.7%	84
	answered question	176
	skipped question	2

## 16. What is your level of concern for the following types of crime?

	no concern	low concern	medium concern	high concern	Response Count
arson	50.6% (89)	40.3% (71)	6.8% (12)	2.3% (4)	176
assault	29.0% (51)	51.7% (91)	17.0% (30)	2.3% (4)	176
burglary	8.0% (14)	44.3% (78)	40.9% (72)	6.8% (12)	176
drunk driving	4.0% (7)	24.4% (43)	44.3% (78)	27.3% (48)	176
embezzlement	18.9% (33)	32.6% (57)	33.7% (59)	14.9% (26)	175
illegal drugs	6.3% (11)	21.0% (37)	36.9% (65)	35.8% (63)	176
murder	36.9% (65)	51.1% (90)	7.4% (13)	4.5% (8)	176
			an	swered question	176
			Ş	skipped question	2

#### 17. What is your opinion of the following statements related to youth being bullied?

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Don't know	Response Count
It's a serious problem.	0.6% (1)	10.9% (19)	37.1% (65)	44.0% (77)	7.4% (13)	175
It's over publicized by media hype.	16.2% (28)	53.2% (92)	17.3% (30)	5.8% (10)	7.5% (13)	173
Schools, parents, and law enforcement should do more to prevent bullying.	0.0% (0)	5.1% (9)	48.6% (85)	38.3% (67)	8.0% (14)	175
				answe	ered question	176
				skip	ped question	2

## 18. What is your opinion of the following statements related to recycling?

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Response Count
Recycling is good for the environment.	0.6% (1)	0.6% (1)	25.6% (45)	73.3% (129)	0.0% (0)	176
Recycled materials end up in the landfill.	12.5% (22)	41.5% (73)	14.8% (26)	14.8% (26)	16.5% (29)	176
Recycling saves money.	2.3% (4)	18.9% (33)	32.6% (57)	34.9% (61)	11.4% (20)	175
I am willing to take my recycle materials to a drop off site in Otsego County for a fee.	12.6% (22)	22.3% (39)	29.7% (52)	32.6% (57)	2.9% (5)	175
I would participate in a curb side pick up program for an added fee	8.0% (14)	17.6% (31)	28.4% (50)	42.0% (74)	4.0% (7)	176
				answe	red question	177
				skip	ped question	1

19. Which of the following best describes how well your total income meets your everyday needs for things such as housing, food, clothing and other necessities?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Have more than enough money	16.5%	29
Enough money	44.9%	79
Just enough money	28.4%	50
Not enough money	10.2%	18
	answered question	176
	skipped question	2

### 20. How interested are you in knowing what goes on (news/events) in Otsego County?

	Response Percent	Response Count
No interest	0.0%	0
Low interest	5.1%	9
Medium interest	33.0%	58
High interest	61.9%	109
	answered question	176
	skipped question	2

## 21. How do you find out what's going on in Otsego County?

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Response Count
Printed materials such as flyers and brochures	5.7% (10)	24.6% (43)	54.9% (96)	14.9% (26)	175
Networking events such as Business After Hours	35.2% (62)	35.2% (62)	21.0% (37)	8.5% (15)	176
Social media / Face Book / Twitter	37.7% (66)	25.7% (45)	22.9% (40)	13.7% (24)	175
Otsego County Connections (www.Otsego.org)	42.4% (75)	32.2% (57)	22.0% (39)	3.4% (6)	177
Talking with my friends and family	0.6% (1)	6.2% (11)	42.4% (75)	50.8% (90)	177
Radio – Eagle 101.5 FM	17.6% (31)	18.8% (33)	34.7% (61)	29.0% (51)	176
Gaylord Herald Times	2.3% (4)	8.5% (15)	33.5% (59)	55.7% (98)	176
Our Home Town	49.7% (87)	27.4% (48)	16.0% (28)	6.9% (12)	175
Weekly Choice	15.4% (27)	22.3% (39)	43.4% (76)	18.9% (33)	175
TV Channel 7&4 NBC	13.6% (24)	24.9% (44)	34.5% (61)	27.1% (48)	177
TV Channel 9&10 CBS	14.2% (25)	18.8% (33)	36.9% (65)	30.1% (53)	176
TV Channel 32 Fox	28.6% (50)	28.0% (49)	29.1% (51)	14.3% (25)	175
Church bulletin - announcements	35.2% (62)	18.8% (33)	26.7% (47)	19.3% (34)	176
Internet – Web Sites	16.5% (29)	29.5% (52)	33.5% (59)	20.5% (36)	176
Email	19.8% (34)	27.3% (47)	32.6% (56)	20.3% (35)	172

Other (please specify)

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- answered question 177
- skipped question 1

# 22. How easy would it be for you to access local help with the following situations (for you or for a friend of yours)?

	Very difficult	Somewhat difficult	Somewhat easy	Very easy	Don't know	Response Count
applying for a job	2.3% (4)	13.7% (24)	38.9% (68)	30.9% (54)	14.3% (25)	175
treating substance abuse	2.8% (5)	11.4% (20)	34.7% (61)	23.3% (41)	27.8% (49)	176
literacy	1.1% (2)	10.8% (19)	35.8% (63)	29.5% (52)	22.7% (40)	176
accessing the county bus	1.1% (2)	2.8% (5)	23.9% (42)	66.5% (117)	5.7% (10)	176
enrolling in preschool	0.6% (1)	2.3% (4)	27.0% (47)	41.4% (72)	28.7% (50)	174
filling out a social security form	0.6% (1)	10.9% (19)	30.9% (54)	33.1% (58)	24.6% (43)	175
getting a cancer screening	1.7% (3)	9.1% (16)	29.5% (52)	42.6% (75)	17.0% (30)	176
applying for college scholarships	1.7% (3)	16.6% (29)	29.7% (52)	25.1% (44)	26.9% (47)	175
improving your credit score	3.4% (6)	14.3% (25)	24.0% (42)	23.4% (41)	34.9% (61)	175
services for the elderly	0.6% (1)	2.8% (5)	27.8% (49)	49.4% (87)	19.3% (34)	176
obtaining a GED	0.6% (1)	5.7% (10)	32.0% (56)	28.6% (50)	33.1% (58)	175
getting food assistance	2.9% (5)	6.9% (12)	37.4% (65)	32.8% (57)	20.1% (35)	174
				answe	red question	177
				skip	ped question	1

# 23. Which of the following best describes how you like to see the population of Otsego County during the next 10 years?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Increase greatly	19.2%	34
Increase slightly	50.3%	89
Neither increase nor decrease	20.9%	37
Decrease slightly	5.1%	9
Decrease greatly	1.1%	2
Don't know	3.4%	6
	answered question	177
	skipped question	1

# 24. A few questions about you: Where in Otsego County do you live?

	Response Percent	Response Count
City of Gaylord	17.3%	30
Village of Vanderbilt	0.6%	1
Bagley Township	15.6%	27
Charlton Township	4.0%	7
Chester Township	5.8%	10
Corwith Township	3.5%	6
Dover Township	2.9%	5
Elmira Township	9.8%	17
Hayes Township	8.1%	14
Livingston Township	19.7%	34
Otsego Lake Township	12.7%	22
	Other (please specify)	4
	answered question	173
	skipped question	5

25. How long have you lived	in Otsego County?		
		Response Percent	Response Count
Less than 5 years		9.7%	17
6 – 15 years		26.7%	47
Over 15 years		63.6%	112
		answered question	176
		skipped question	2

### 26. What is the primary reason you moved to Otsego County?

	Response Percent	Response Count
born here	18.5%	29
moved here as a kid and decided to stay	7.6%	12
job	49.7%	78
family	13.4%	21
retired here	10.8%	17
	Other (please specify)	23
	answered question	157
	skipped question	21

# 27. Which of the following statements best describes why you chose to remain in Otsego County? Check all that apply

	Response Percent	Response Count
Job	59.2%	100
To be near friends and family	46.7%	79
It's home	53.8%	91
Natural resources / scenic beauty	51.5%	87
Less expensive than my other options	10.1%	17
	Other (please specify)	14
	answered question	169
	skipped question	9

# 28. Do you currently serve on a board or committee that enhances the quality of life in Otsego County? For example: PTO, township planning, Rotary, scout leader

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	53.1%	94
No	46.9%	83
	answered question	177
	skipped question	1

#### 29. What is your age?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Under 20	0.0%	0
20-29	6.8%	12
30-39	15.8%	28
40-49	18.6%	33
50-59	28.2%	50
60-70	24.3%	43
Over 70	6.2%	11
	answered question	177
	skipped question	1

30. Gender:		
	Response Percent	Response Count
Male	44.0%	77
Female	56.0%	98
	answered question	175
	skipped question	3

31. Are you registered to vote in Otsego County?				
	Response Percent	Response Count		
Yes	94.9%	167		
No	5.1%	9		
	answered question	176		
	skipped question	2		

# 32. Thank You! Please use this space for additional comments about the Quality of Life in Otsego County

	Response Count
	59
answered question	59
skipped question	119