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About this Report

As part of its participation in The National Citizen Survey™, Lower Merion Township conducted a mailed survey of 3,000 residents. Surveys were mailed to randomly selected households in October and data were collected through December 7th, 2016. Two weeks before the official data collection period was over and the data was reported (see the report, *The National Citizen Survey: Community Livability Report, Lower Merion Township, PA, 2016*), the Township made available a web-based survey to its residents through a link on the Township's website. Visitors to the site were able to complete the survey during the end of November and beginning of December and 955 surveys were received.

This report contains the results of this administration of the web-based survey and have not been weighted to current population estimates of Lower Merion Township.

Complete Survey Responses

The following pages contain a complete set of responses to each question on the survey, excluding the “don’t know” responses. The percent of respondents giving a particular response is shown followed by the number of respondents (denoted with “N=”).

Responses excluding “don’t know”

Table 1: Question 1

Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Lower Merion Township:	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Lower Merion Township as a place to live	63%	N=596	33%	N=310	4%	N=37	1%	N=6	100%	N=949
Your neighborhood as a place to live	67%	N=636	28%	N=265	4%	N=38	1%	N=10	100%	N=949
Lower Merion Township as a place to raise children	65%	N=577	31%	N=274	4%	N=34	1%	N=7	100%	N=892
Lower Merion Township as a place to work	41%	N=235	42%	N=243	14%	N=78	3%	N=18	100%	N=574
Lower Merion Township as a place to visit	32%	N=273	42%	N=355	22%	N=188	4%	N=31	100%	N=847
Lower Merion Township as a place to retire	30%	N=233	31%	N=239	25%	N=196	15%	N=115	100%	N=783
The overall quality of life in Lower Merion Township	52%	N=493	41%	N=388	6%	N=52	1%	N=8	100%	N=941

Table 2: Question 2

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Lower Merion Township as a whole:	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Overall feeling of safety in Lower Merion Township	49%	N=449	45%	N=418	5%	N=45	1%	N=9	100%	N=921
Overall ease of getting to the places you usually have to visit	31%	N=282	48%	N=442	19%	N=171	3%	N=27	100%	N=922
Quality of overall natural environment in Lower Merion Township	37%	N=336	50%	N=457	11%	N=103	2%	N=16	100%	N=912
Overall "built environment" of Lower Merion Township (including overall design, buildings, parks and transportation systems)	17%	N=157	52%	N=480	26%	N=241	4%	N=40	100%	N=918
Health and wellness opportunities in Lower Merion Township	41%	N=340	44%	N=366	12%	N=101	3%	N=21	100%	N=828
Overall opportunities for education and enrichment	60%	N=534	34%	N=299	5%	N=49	1%	N=10	100%	N=892
Overall economic health of Lower Merion Township	45%	N=392	45%	N=389	8%	N=72	2%	N=20	100%	N=873
Sense of community	23%	N=207	44%	N=400	27%	N=247	6%	N=50	100%	N=904
Overall image or reputation of Lower Merion Township	54%	N=485	37%	N=333	8%	N=74	1%	N=11	100%	N=903

Table 3: Question 3

Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following:	Very likely		Somewhat likely		Somewhat unlikely		Very unlikely		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Recommend living in Lower Merion Township to someone who asks	67%	N=608	25%	N=227	5%	N=44	3%	N=23	100%	N=902
Remain in Lower Merion Township for the next five years	70%	N=633	20%	N=177	6%	N=52	4%	N=37	100%	N=899

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Table 4: Question 4

Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:	Very safe		Somewhat safe		Neither safe nor unsafe		Somewhat unsafe		Very unsafe		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
In your neighborhood during the day	81%	N=732	15%	N=137	2%	N=22	1%	N=13	0%	N=1	100%	N=905
In Lower Merion Township's downtown/commercial areas during the day	77%	N=698	19%	N=168	3%	N=30	1%	N=9	0%	N=2	100%	N=907

Table 5: Question 5

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Lower Merion Township as a whole:	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Traffic flow on major streets	5%	N=42	38%	N=338	40%	N=354	17%	N=154	100%	N=888
Ease of public parking	5%	N=47	32%	N=285	43%	N=387	20%	N=175	100%	N=894
Ease of travel by car in Lower Merion Township	12%	N=108	46%	N=412	32%	N=282	10%	N=92	100%	N=894
Ease of travel by public transportation in Lower Merion Township	11%	N=73	34%	N=221	33%	N=216	22%	N=141	100%	N=651
Ease of travel by bicycle in Lower Merion Township	6%	N=33	22%	N=128	36%	N=208	36%	N=206	100%	N=575
Ease of walking in Lower Merion Township	18%	N=158	44%	N=385	27%	N=235	12%	N=104	100%	N=882
Availability of paths and walking trails	21%	N=178	43%	N=361	25%	N=215	11%	N=91	100%	N=845
Air quality	32%	N=274	58%	N=495	9%	N=75	1%	N=9	100%	N=853
Cleanliness of Lower Merion Township	40%	N=361	53%	N=472	7%	N=60	1%	N=6	100%	N=899
Overall appearance of Lower Merion Township	39%	N=354	52%	N=467	8%	N=71	1%	N=6	100%	N=898
Public places where people want to spend time	27%	N=232	51%	N=444	20%	N=171	3%	N=24	100%	N=871
Variety of housing options	19%	N=157	48%	N=393	27%	N=225	6%	N=51	100%	N=826
Availability of affordable quality housing	8%	N=57	25%	N=180	41%	N=294	26%	N=186	100%	N=717
Fitness opportunities (including exercise classes and paths or trails, etc.)	27%	N=229	49%	N=411	21%	N=175	4%	N=30	100%	N=845
Recreational opportunities	26%	N=225	53%	N=461	18%	N=159	2%	N=18	100%	N=863
Availability of affordable quality food	31%	N=276	53%	N=472	14%	N=124	2%	N=22	100%	N=894
Availability of affordable quality health care	46%	N=390	43%	N=363	8%	N=71	2%	N=15	100%	N=839
Availability of preventive health services	45%	N=339	44%	N=335	10%	N=73	2%	N=14	100%	N=761
Availability of affordable quality mental health care	31%	N=139	42%	N=185	18%	N=80	9%	N=40	100%	N=444

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Table 6: Question 6

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Lower Merion Township as a whole:	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Availability of affordable quality child care/preschool	30%	N=153	39%	N=198	21%	N=104	10%	N=49	100%	N=504
K-12 education	67%	N=524	26%	N=205	5%	N=42	1%	N=9	100%	N=780
Adult educational opportunities	34%	N=234	49%	N=338	14%	N=94	3%	N=24	100%	N=690
Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities	25%	N=202	43%	N=354	27%	N=223	4%	N=35	100%	N=814
Employment opportunities	13%	N=55	41%	N=170	35%	N=147	11%	N=44	100%	N=416
Shopping opportunities	29%	N=251	52%	N=455	17%	N=149	2%	N=17	100%	N=872
Cost of living in Lower Merion Township	7%	N=58	36%	N=317	41%	N=358	16%	N=136	100%	N=869
Overall quality of business and service establishments in Lower Merion Township	19%	N=169	62%	N=536	17%	N=147	2%	N=16	100%	N=868
Vibrant downtown/commercial areas	10%	N=91	43%	N=372	38%	N=328	9%	N=77	100%	N=868
Overall quality of new development in Lower Merion Township	10%	N=75	37%	N=280	33%	N=255	20%	N=157	100%	N=767
Opportunities to participate in social events and activities	18%	N=137	53%	N=413	24%	N=188	5%	N=36	100%	N=774
Opportunities to volunteer	27%	N=199	53%	N=388	17%	N=129	3%	N=22	100%	N=738
Opportunities to participate in community matters	26%	N=209	49%	N=392	20%	N=163	5%	N=36	100%	N=800
Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds	20%	N=159	46%	N=369	26%	N=210	8%	N=60	100%	N=798
Neighborliness of residents in Lower Merion Township	20%	N=168	48%	N=414	25%	N=214	7%	N=63	100%	N=859

Table 7: Question 7

Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months.	No		Yes		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N
Made efforts to conserve water	19%	N=162	81%	N=705	100%	N=867
Made efforts to make your home more energy efficient	23%	N=200	77%	N=675	100%	N=875
Observed a code violation or other hazard in Lower Merion Township	60%	N=522	40%	N=342	100%	N=864
Household member was a victim of a crime in Lower Merion Township	93%	N=813	7%	N=61	100%	N=874
Reported a crime to the police in Lower Merion Township	86%	N=749	14%	N=122	100%	N=871
Stocked supplies in preparation for an emergency	65%	N=565	35%	N=308	100%	N=873
Campaigned or advocated for an issue, cause or candidate	48%	N=419	52%	N=448	100%	N=867
Contacted Lower Merion Township (in-person, phone, email or web) for help or information	32%	N=279	68%	N=591	100%	N=870
Contacted Lower Merion Township elected officials (in-person, phone, email or web) to express your opinion	58%	N=508	42%	N=365	100%	N=873

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Table 8: Question 8

In the last 12 months, about how many times, if at all, have you or other household members done each of the following in Lower Merion Township?	2 times a week or more		2-4 times a month		Once a month or less		Not at all		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Used Lower Merion Township recreation centers or their services	7%	N=62	12%	N=100	24%	N=206	57%	N=485	100%	N=853
Visited a neighborhood park or Township park	19%	N=160	32%	N=275	34%	N=293	16%	N=134	100%	N=862
Used Lower Merion Township public libraries or their services	11%	N=94	29%	N=252	37%	N=315	23%	N=197	100%	N=858
Attended a Township-sponsored event	1%	N=6	5%	N=44	42%	N=358	52%	N=450	100%	N=858
Used bus, rail, subway or other public transportation instead of driving	14%	N=121	15%	N=127	34%	N=289	37%	N=322	100%	N=859
Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone	9%	N=75	15%	N=126	21%	N=175	56%	N=477	100%	N=853
Walked or biked instead of driving	19%	N=160	26%	N=221	24%	N=207	32%	N=274	100%	N=862
Volunteered your time to some group/activity in Lower Merion Township	9%	N=80	17%	N=146	21%	N=178	53%	N=449	100%	N=853
Participated in a club	9%	N=73	13%	N=106	15%	N=127	64%	N=536	100%	N=842
Talked to or visited with your immediate neighbors	48%	N=413	29%	N=248	17%	N=150	6%	N=48	100%	N=859
Done a favor for a neighbor	20%	N=174	31%	N=262	40%	N=339	9%	N=81	100%	N=856

Table 9: Question 9

Thinking about local public meetings (of local elected officials like Township Council or County Commissioners, advisory boards, town halls, HOA, neighborhood watch, etc.), in the last 12 months, about how many times, if at all, have you or other household members attended or watched a local public meeting?	2 times a week or more		2-4 times a month		Once a month or less		Not at all		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Attended a local public meeting	1%	N=7	6%	N=48	34%	N=271	59%	N=468	100%	N=794
Watched (online or on television) a local public meeting	1%	N=12	9%	N=74	27%	N=228	63%	N=537	100%	N=851

Table 10: Question 10

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Lower Merion Township:	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Police services	67%	N=522	29%	N=224	4%	N=31	1%	N=6	100%	N=783
Fire services	73%	N=495	26%	N=176	1%	N=7	0%	N=1	100%	N=679
Ambulance or emergency medical services	68%	N=406	28%	N=167	3%	N=15	1%	N=6	100%	N=594
Crime prevention	45%	N=311	46%	N=320	7%	N=49	2%	N=13	100%	N=693
Fire prevention and education	50%	N=257	42%	N=218	7%	N=36	1%	N=5	100%	N=516
Traffic enforcement	23%	N=169	44%	N=319	22%	N=161	10%	N=71	100%	N=720
Street repair	12%	N=98	38%	N=306	35%	N=287	15%	N=121	100%	N=812
Street cleaning	18%	N=141	45%	N=351	26%	N=203	10%	N=78	100%	N=773
Street lighting	18%	N=149	52%	N=432	23%	N=189	6%	N=53	100%	N=823
Snow removal	28%	N=225	49%	N=389	19%	N=152	4%	N=34	100%	N=800
Sidewalk maintenance	14%	N=103	50%	N=358	26%	N=188	9%	N=66	100%	N=715
Traffic signal timing	10%	N=79	43%	N=335	33%	N=262	14%	N=111	100%	N=787
Bus or transit services	15%	N=77	48%	N=241	26%	N=129	11%	N=53	100%	N=500
Garbage collection	49%	N=389	40%	N=319	8%	N=66	2%	N=16	100%	N=790

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Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Lower Merion Township:	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Recycling	47%	N=376	40%	N=317	9%	N=75	3%	N=27	100%	N=795
Yard waste pick-up	35%	N=222	42%	N=264	16%	N=101	7%	N=46	100%	N=633
Storm drainage	22%	N=158	55%	N=388	18%	N=129	5%	N=34	100%	N=709
Drinking water	43%	N=331	48%	N=371	8%	N=61	2%	N=15	100%	N=778
Sewer services	41%	N=283	52%	N=362	6%	N=43	1%	N=6	100%	N=694
Power (electric and/or gas) utility	30%	N=234	52%	N=413	14%	N=111	4%	N=33	100%	N=791
Township parks	47%	N=356	46%	N=354	7%	N=50	1%	N=5	100%	N=765
Recreation programs or classes	30%	N=125	54%	N=224	15%	N=61	2%	N=7	100%	N=417
Recreation centers or facilities	24%	N=100	54%	N=225	19%	N=78	4%	N=15	100%	N=418
Land use, planning and zoning	10%	N=62	35%	N=228	31%	N=198	24%	N=155	100%	N=643
Code enforcement (weeds, abandoned buildings, etc.)	15%	N=82	50%	N=269	24%	N=131	11%	N=58	100%	N=540
Animal control	25%	N=124	55%	N=275	15%	N=74	6%	N=28	100%	N=501
Economic development	12%	N=67	50%	N=272	26%	N=140	13%	N=70	100%	N=549
Health services	39%	N=215	53%	N=295	7%	N=38	1%	N=6	100%	N=554
Public library services	64%	N=481	31%	N=233	4%	N=31	0%	N=3	100%	N=748
Public information services	36%	N=232	52%	N=336	11%	N=72	2%	N=10	100%	N=650
Cable television	20%	N=124	47%	N=291	22%	N=135	10%	N=63	100%	N=613
Emergency preparedness (services that prepare the community for natural disasters or other emergency situations)	31%	N=136	49%	N=219	15%	N=67	5%	N=23	100%	N=445
Preservation of natural areas such as open space, farmlands and greenbelts	22%	N=157	44%	N=316	21%	N=150	14%	N=98	100%	N=721
Lower Merion Township open space	21%	N=152	44%	N=326	25%	N=183	11%	N=79	100%	N=740
Township-sponsored special events	16%	N=77	56%	N=273	23%	N=112	5%	N=22	100%	N=484
Overall customer service by Lower Merion Township employees (police, receptionists, planners, etc.)	37%	N=289	50%	N=389	10%	N=77	2%	N=17	100%	N=772

Table 11: Question 11

Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by each of the following?	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Lower Merion Township	41%	N=332	49%	N=396	9%	N=72	2%	N=13	100%	N=813
The Federal Government	7%	N=53	39%	N=291	39%	N=288	15%	N=112	100%	N=744

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Table 12: Question 12

Please rate the following categories of Lower Merion Township government performance:	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
The value of services for the taxes paid to Lower Merion Township	20%	N=157	44%	N=341	25%	N=195	10%	N=79	100%	N=772
The overall direction that Lower Merion Township is taking	11%	N=83	41%	N=297	29%	N=214	19%	N=138	100%	N=732
The job Lower Merion Township government does at welcoming citizen involvement	17%	N=99	39%	N=234	28%	N=164	16%	N=98	100%	N=595
Overall confidence in Lower Merion Township government	15%	N=114	42%	N=320	27%	N=204	16%	N=123	100%	N=761
Generally acting in the best interest of the community	17%	N=126	40%	N=305	25%	N=189	18%	N=136	100%	N=756
Being honest	18%	N=124	39%	N=268	23%	N=161	20%	N=135	100%	N=688
Treating all residents fairly	18%	N=117	43%	N=275	23%	N=146	17%	N=109	100%	N=647

Table 13: Question 13

Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the Lower Merion Township community to focus on each of the following in the coming two years:	Essential		Very important		Somewhat important		Not at all important		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Overall feeling of safety in Lower Merion Township	63%	N=494	28%	N=220	8%	N=61	1%	N=8	100%	N=783
Overall ease of getting to the places you usually have to visit	33%	N=253	53%	N=409	13%	N=103	2%	N=13	100%	N=778
Quality of overall natural environment in Lower Merion Township	43%	N=336	43%	N=338	13%	N=101	1%	N=8	100%	N=783
Overall "built environment" of Lower Merion Township (including overall design, buildings, parks and transportation systems)	44%	N=344	42%	N=325	13%	N=99	2%	N=15	100%	N=783
Health and wellness opportunities in Lower Merion Township	24%	N=186	44%	N=339	26%	N=201	7%	N=51	100%	N=777
Overall opportunities for education and enrichment	37%	N=289	38%	N=297	20%	N=156	4%	N=32	100%	N=774
Overall economic health of Lower Merion Township	52%	N=405	40%	N=308	7%	N=57	1%	N=9	100%	N=779
Sense of community	35%	N=274	44%	N=346	18%	N=137	3%	N=22	100%	N=779

Table 14: Question 14

Please rate how satisfied, if at all, you are with these aspects of the Lower Merion Police Department:	Very satisfied		Somewhat satisfied		Somewhat dissatisfied		Very dissatisfied		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Overall Police Department	76%	N=560	20%	N=147	3%	N=22	1%	N=5	100%	N=734
Response time of officers	85%	N=536	13%	N=83	1%	N=8	1%	N=5	100%	N=632
Department presence in your neighborhood	56%	N=395	37%	N=258	5%	N=37	2%	N=14	100%	N=704
Department's ability to respond to problems in your neighborhood	74%	N=489	21%	N=135	4%	N=27	1%	N=7	100%	N=658
Personal confidence in the Police Department	75%	N=563	21%	N=154	3%	N=22	1%	N=9	100%	N=748
Personal respect for the Police Department officers and employees	82%	N=610	16%	N=117	2%	N=16	1%	N=5	100%	N=748
Police Department's interactions with the community	67%	N=454	26%	N=174	5%	N=37	2%	N=11	100%	N=676

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Table 15: Question 15

In the last 12 months, how often, if at all, have you or a member of your household used Lower Merion Township Library services in person?	Percent	Number
2 times a week or more	13%	N=99
2-4 times a month	28%	N=216
Once a month or less	38%	N=293
Not at all	21%	N=166
Total	100%	N=774

Table 16: Question 16

In the last 12 months, how often, if at all, have you or a member of your household used Lower Merion Township Library services online?	Percent	Number
2 times a week or more	9%	N=70
2-4 times a month	15%	N=118
Once a month or less	24%	N=186
Not at all	52%	N=401
Total	100%	N=775

Table 17: Question 17

Please indicate how much of a source, if at all, you consider each of the following to be for obtaining information about the Township government and its activities, events and services:	Major source		Minor source		Not a source		Total	
	Printed communications (i.e., newsletters, flyers and pamphlets, annual report and calendar)	41%	N=311	44%	N=337	16%	N=119	100%
Township website (www.LowerMerion.org)	55%	N=425	33%	N=254	12%	N=89	100%	N=768
LMTV on TV or online (lmtv.viebit.com)	9%	N=70	32%	N=244	59%	N=445	100%	N=759
Blackboard Connect telephone and email alert system	39%	N=294	31%	N=238	30%	N=230	100%	N=762
Facebook and other social media	18%	N=135	26%	N=200	56%	N=426	100%	N=761

Table 18: Question D1

How often, if at all, do you do each of the following, considering all of the times you could?	Never		Rarely		Sometimes		Usually		Always		Total	
	Recycle at home	1%	N=7	0%	N=2	3%	N=21	13%	N=100	83%	N=625	100%
Purchase goods or services from a business located in Lower Merion Township	0%	N=1	1%	N=11	25%	N=190	56%	N=429	17%	N=133	100%	N=764
Eat at least 5 portions of fruits and vegetables a day	1%	N=11	10%	N=76	30%	N=230	34%	N=262	24%	N=183	100%	N=762
Participate in moderate or vigorous physical activity	1%	N=9	6%	N=49	27%	N=204	36%	N=275	30%	N=228	100%	N=765
Read or watch local news (via television, paper, computer, etc.)	2%	N=19	8%	N=64	16%	N=124	30%	N=231	43%	N=328	100%	N=766
Vote in local elections	1%	N=8	1%	N=8	3%	N=25	9%	N=69	86%	N=656	100%	N=766

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Table 19: Question D2

Would you say that in general your health is:	Percent	Number
Excellent	38%	N=290
Very good	46%	N=347
Good	14%	N=106
Fair	2%	N=14
Poor	1%	N=5
Total	100%	N=762

Table 20: Question D3

What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months? Do you think the impact will be:	Percent	Number
Very positive	8%	N=65
Somewhat positive	27%	N=206
Neutral	48%	N=366
Somewhat negative	13%	N=99
Very negative	4%	N=30
Total	100%	N=766

Table 21: Question D4

What is your employment status?	Percent	Number
Working full time for pay	49%	N=374
Working part time for pay	16%	N=120
Unemployed, looking for paid work	3%	N=22
Unemployed, not looking for paid work	4%	N=27
Fully retired	29%	N=222
Total	100%	N=765

Table 22: Question D5

Do you work inside the boundaries of Lower Merion Township?	Percent	Number
Yes, outside the home	20%	N=153
Yes, from home	20%	N=149
No	60%	N=448
Total	100%	N=750

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Table 23: Question D6

How many years have you lived in Lower Merion Township?	Percent	Number
Less than 2 years	3%	N=25
2 to 5 years	8%	N=62
6 to 10 years	9%	N=67
11 to 20 years	20%	N=150
More than 20 years	60%	N=464
Total	100%	N=768

Table 24: Question D7

Which best describes the building you live in?	Percent	Number
One family house detached from any other houses	80%	N=614
Building with two or more homes (duplex, townhome, apartment or condominium)	19%	N=147
Mobile home	0%	N=0
Other	1%	N=7
Total	100%	N=768

Table 25: Question D8

Is this house, apartment or mobile home...	Percent	Number
Rented	3%	N=26
Owned	97%	N=736
Total	100%	N=762

Table 26: Question D9

About how much is your monthly housing cost for the place you live (including rent, mortgage payment, property tax, property insurance and homeowners' association (HOA) fees)?	Percent	Number
Less than \$300 per month	2%	N=11
\$300 to \$599 per month	2%	N=15
\$600 to \$999 per month	7%	N=49
\$1,000 to \$1,499 per month	17%	N=124
\$1,500 to \$2,499 per month	25%	N=183
\$2,500 or more per month	47%	N=343
Total	100%	N=725

Table 27: Question D10

Do any children 17 or under live in your household?	Percent	Number
No	67%	N=510
Yes	33%	N=249
Total	100%	N=759

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Table 28: Question D11

Are you or any other members of your household aged 65 or older?	Percent	Number
No	54%	N=413
Yes	46%	N=346
Total	100%	N=759

Table 29: Question D12

How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the current year? (Please include in your total income money from all sources for all persons living in your household.)	Percent	Number
Less than \$25,000	3%	N=18
\$25,000 to \$49,999	4%	N=27
\$50,000 to \$99,999	15%	N=102
\$100,000 to \$149,999	19%	N=131
\$150,000 or more	59%	N=395
Total	100%	N=673

Table 30: Question D13

Are you Spanish, Hispanic or Latino?	Percent	Number
No, not Spanish, Hispanic or Latino	98%	N=737
Yes, I consider myself to be Spanish, Hispanic or Latino	2%	N=15
Total	100%	N=752

Table 31: Question D14

What is your race? (Mark one or more races to indicate what race(s) you consider yourself to be.)	Percent	Number
American Indian or Alaskan Native	0%	N=3
Asian, Asian Indian or Pacific Islander	2%	N=18
Black or African American	2%	N=13
White	94%	N=700
Other	3%	N=20

Total may exceed 100% as respondents could select more than one option.

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Table 32: Question D15

In which category is your age?	Percent	Number
18 to 24 years	0%	N=3
25 to 34 years	2%	N=18
35 to 44 years	11%	N=84
45 to 54 years	21%	N=157
55 to 64 years	25%	N=189
65 to 74 years	25%	N=191
75 years or older	16%	N=118
Total	100%	N=760

Table 33: Question D16

What is your sex?	Percent	Number
Female	50%	N=378
Male	50%	N=383
Total	100%	N=761

Table 34: Question D17

Do you consider a cell phone or landline your primary telephone number?	Percent	Number
Cell	35%	N=270
Land line	27%	N=208
Both	37%	N=286
Total	100%	N=764

Responses including “don’t know”

The following pages contain a complete set of responses to each question on the survey, including the “don’t know” responses. The percent of respondents giving a particular response is shown followed by the number of respondents (denoted with “N=“).

Table 35: Question 1

Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Lower Merion Township:	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Don't know		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Lower Merion Township as a place to live	63%	N=596	33%	N=310	4%	N=37	1%	N=6	0%	N=0	100%	N=949
Your neighborhood as a place to live	67%	N=636	28%	N=265	4%	N=38	1%	N=10	0%	N=0	100%	N=949
Lower Merion Township as a place to raise children	61%	N=577	29%	N=274	4%	N=34	1%	N=7	5%	N=51	100%	N=943
Lower Merion Township as a place to work	25%	N=235	26%	N=243	8%	N=78	2%	N=18	39%	N=365	100%	N=939
Lower Merion Township as a place to visit	29%	N=273	38%	N=355	20%	N=188	3%	N=31	10%	N=92	100%	N=939
Lower Merion Township as a place to retire	25%	N=233	25%	N=239	21%	N=196	12%	N=115	17%	N=162	100%	N=945
The overall quality of life in Lower Merion Township	52%	N=493	41%	N=388	6%	N=52	1%	N=8	0%	N=1	100%	N=942

Table 36: Question 2

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Lower Merion Township as a whole:	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Don't know		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Overall feeling of safety in Lower Merion Township	49%	N=449	45%	N=418	5%	N=45	1%	N=9	0%	N=0	100%	N=921
Overall ease of getting to the places you usually have to visit	31%	N=282	48%	N=442	19%	N=171	3%	N=27	0%	N=0	100%	N=922
Quality of overall natural environment in Lower Merion Township	37%	N=336	50%	N=457	11%	N=103	2%	N=16	0%	N=4	100%	N=916
Overall "built environment" of Lower Merion Township (including overall design, buildings, parks and transportation systems)	17%	N=157	52%	N=480	26%	N=241	4%	N=40	1%	N=6	100%	N=924
Health and wellness opportunities in Lower Merion Township	37%	N=340	40%	N=366	11%	N=101	2%	N=21	10%	N=93	100%	N=921
Overall opportunities for education and enrichment	58%	N=534	33%	N=299	5%	N=49	1%	N=10	3%	N=28	100%	N=920
Overall economic health of Lower Merion Township	43%	N=392	42%	N=389	8%	N=72	2%	N=20	5%	N=47	100%	N=920
Sense of community	23%	N=207	44%	N=400	27%	N=247	5%	N=50	1%	N=8	100%	N=912
Overall image or reputation of Lower Merion Township	53%	N=485	36%	N=333	8%	N=74	1%	N=11	1%	N=10	100%	N=913

Table 37: Question 3

Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following:	Very likely		Somewhat likely		Somewhat unlikely		Very unlikely		Don't know		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Recommend living in Lower Merion Township to someone who asks	67%	N=608	25%	N=227	5%	N=44	3%	N=23	0%	N=3	100%	N=905
Remain in Lower Merion Township for the next five years	69%	N=633	19%	N=177	6%	N=52	4%	N=37	1%	N=12	100%	N=911

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Table 38: Question 4

Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:	Very safe		Somewhat safe		Neither safe nor unsafe		Somewhat unsafe		Very unsafe		Don't know		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
In your neighborhood during the day	81%	N=732	15%	N=137	2%	N=22	1%	N=13	0%	N=1	0%	N=1	100%	N=906
In Lower Merion Township's downtown/commercial areas during the day	77%	N=698	18%	N=168	3%	N=30	1%	N=9	0%	N=2	1%	N=5	100%	N=912

Table 39: Question 5

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Lower Merion Township as a whole:	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Don't know		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Traffic flow on major streets	5%	N=42	38%	N=338	40%	N=354	17%	N=154	0%	N=0	100%	N=888
Ease of public parking	5%	N=47	32%	N=285	43%	N=387	20%	N=175	0%	N=2	100%	N=896
Ease of travel by car in Lower Merion Township	12%	N=108	46%	N=412	32%	N=282	10%	N=92	0%	N=1	100%	N=895
Ease of travel by public transportation in Lower Merion Township	8%	N=73	25%	N=221	24%	N=216	16%	N=141	28%	N=248	100%	N=899
Ease of travel by bicycle in Lower Merion Township	4%	N=33	14%	N=128	23%	N=208	23%	N=206	36%	N=319	100%	N=894
Ease of walking in Lower Merion Township	17%	N=158	43%	N=385	26%	N=235	12%	N=104	2%	N=21	100%	N=903
Availability of paths and walking trails	20%	N=178	40%	N=361	24%	N=215	10%	N=91	6%	N=55	100%	N=900
Air quality	31%	N=274	55%	N=495	8%	N=75	1%	N=9	5%	N=44	100%	N=897
Cleanliness of Lower Merion Township	40%	N=361	53%	N=472	7%	N=60	1%	N=6	0%	N=0	100%	N=899
Overall appearance of Lower Merion Township	39%	N=354	52%	N=467	8%	N=71	1%	N=6	0%	N=0	100%	N=898
Public places where people want to spend time	26%	N=232	49%	N=444	19%	N=171	3%	N=24	3%	N=30	100%	N=901
Variety of housing options	17%	N=157	44%	N=393	25%	N=225	6%	N=51	8%	N=74	100%	N=900
Availability of affordable quality housing	6%	N=57	20%	N=180	33%	N=294	21%	N=186	20%	N=181	100%	N=898
Fitness opportunities (including exercise classes and paths or trails, etc.)	25%	N=229	46%	N=411	19%	N=175	3%	N=30	6%	N=54	100%	N=899
Recreational opportunities	25%	N=225	51%	N=461	18%	N=159	2%	N=18	4%	N=38	100%	N=901
Availability of affordable quality food	31%	N=276	52%	N=472	14%	N=124	2%	N=22	1%	N=9	100%	N=903
Availability of affordable quality health care	43%	N=390	40%	N=363	8%	N=71	2%	N=15	7%	N=61	100%	N=900
Availability of preventive health services	38%	N=339	37%	N=335	8%	N=73	2%	N=14	15%	N=139	100%	N=900
Availability of affordable quality mental health care	15%	N=139	21%	N=185	9%	N=80	4%	N=40	51%	N=455	100%	N=899

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Table 40: Question 6

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Lower Merion Township as a whole:	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Don't know		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Availability of affordable quality child care/preschool	18%	N=153	23%	N=198	12%	N=104	6%	N=49	42%	N=364	100%	N=868
K-12 education	60%	N=524	23%	N=205	5%	N=42	1%	N=9	11%	N=95	100%	N=875
Adult educational opportunities	27%	N=234	39%	N=338	11%	N=94	3%	N=24	20%	N=173	100%	N=863
Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities	23%	N=202	40%	N=354	25%	N=223	4%	N=35	7%	N=62	100%	N=876
Employment opportunities	6%	N=55	20%	N=170	17%	N=147	5%	N=44	52%	N=455	100%	N=871
Shopping opportunities	29%	N=251	52%	N=455	17%	N=149	2%	N=17	0%	N=1	100%	N=873
Cost of living in Lower Merion Township	7%	N=58	36%	N=317	41%	N=358	16%	N=136	0%	N=2	100%	N=871
Overall quality of business and service establishments in Lower Merion Township	19%	N=169	61%	N=536	17%	N=147	2%	N=16	1%	N=9	100%	N=877
Vibrant downtown/commercial areas	10%	N=91	42%	N=372	37%	N=328	9%	N=77	1%	N=8	100%	N=876
Overall quality of new development in Lower Merion Township	9%	N=75	32%	N=280	29%	N=255	18%	N=157	12%	N=106	100%	N=873
Opportunities to participate in social events and activities	16%	N=137	47%	N=413	21%	N=188	4%	N=36	12%	N=103	100%	N=877
Opportunities to volunteer	23%	N=199	44%	N=388	15%	N=129	3%	N=22	16%	N=140	100%	N=878
Opportunities to participate in community matters	24%	N=209	45%	N=392	19%	N=163	4%	N=36	9%	N=75	100%	N=875
Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds	18%	N=159	42%	N=369	24%	N=210	7%	N=60	9%	N=80	100%	N=878
Neighborliness of residents in Lower Merion Township	19%	N=168	47%	N=414	24%	N=214	7%	N=63	2%	N=15	100%	N=874

Table 41: Question 7

Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months.	No		Yes		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N
Made efforts to conserve water	19%	N=162	81%	N=705	100%	N=867
Made efforts to make your home more energy efficient	23%	N=200	77%	N=675	100%	N=875
Observed a code violation or other hazard in Lower Merion Township	60%	N=522	40%	N=342	100%	N=864
Household member was a victim of a crime in Lower Merion Township	93%	N=813	7%	N=61	100%	N=874
Reported a crime to the police in Lower Merion Township	86%	N=749	14%	N=122	100%	N=871
Stocked supplies in preparation for an emergency	65%	N=565	35%	N=308	100%	N=873
Campaigned or advocated for an issue, cause or candidate	48%	N=419	52%	N=448	100%	N=867
Contacted Lower Merion Township (in-person, phone, email or web) for help or information	32%	N=279	68%	N=591	100%	N=870
Contacted Lower Merion Township elected officials (in-person, phone, email or web) to express your opinion	58%	N=508	42%	N=365	100%	N=873

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Table 42: Question 8

In the last 12 months, about how many times, if at all, have you or other household members done each of the following in Lower Merion Township?	2 times a week or more		2-4 times a month		Once a month or less		Not at all		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Used Lower Merion Township recreation centers or their services	7%	N=62	12%	N=100	24%	N=206	57%	N=485	100%	N=853
Visited a neighborhood park or Township park	19%	N=160	32%	N=275	34%	N=293	16%	N=134	100%	N=862
Used Lower Merion Township public libraries or their services	11%	N=94	29%	N=252	37%	N=315	23%	N=197	100%	N=858
Attended a Township-sponsored event	1%	N=6	5%	N=44	42%	N=358	52%	N=450	100%	N=858
Used bus, rail, subway or other public transportation instead of driving	14%	N=121	15%	N=127	34%	N=289	37%	N=322	100%	N=859
Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone	9%	N=75	15%	N=126	21%	N=175	56%	N=477	100%	N=853
Walked or biked instead of driving	19%	N=160	26%	N=221	24%	N=207	32%	N=274	100%	N=862
Volunteered your time to some group/activity in Lower Merion Township	9%	N=80	17%	N=146	21%	N=178	53%	N=449	100%	N=853
Participated in a club	9%	N=73	13%	N=106	15%	N=127	64%	N=536	100%	N=842
Talked to or visited with your immediate neighbors	48%	N=413	29%	N=248	17%	N=150	6%	N=48	100%	N=859
Done a favor for a neighbor	20%	N=174	31%	N=262	40%	N=339	9%	N=81	100%	N=856

Table 43: Question 9

Thinking about local public meetings (of local elected officials like Township Council or County Commissioners, advisory boards, town halls, HOA, neighborhood watch, etc.), in the last 12 months, about how many times, if at all, have you or other household members attended or watched a local public meeting?	2 times a week or more		2-4 times a month		Once a month or less		Not at all		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Attended a local public meeting	1%	N=7	6%	N=48	34%	N=271	59%	N=468	100%	N=794
Watched (online or on television) a local public meeting	1%	N=12	9%	N=74	27%	N=228	63%	N=537	100%	N=851

Table 44: Question 10

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Lower Merion Township:	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Don't know		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Police services	64%	N=522	28%	N=224	4%	N=31	1%	N=6	4%	N=30	100%	N=813
Fire services	60%	N=495	21%	N=176	1%	N=7	0%	N=1	18%	N=146	100%	N=825
Ambulance or emergency medical services	49%	N=406	20%	N=167	2%	N=15	1%	N=6	28%	N=230	100%	N=824
Crime prevention	38%	N=311	39%	N=320	6%	N=49	2%	N=13	16%	N=132	100%	N=825
Fire prevention and education	31%	N=257	27%	N=218	4%	N=36	1%	N=5	37%	N=306	100%	N=822
Traffic enforcement	20%	N=169	39%	N=319	20%	N=161	9%	N=71	13%	N=105	100%	N=825
Street repair	12%	N=98	37%	N=306	35%	N=287	15%	N=121	1%	N=12	100%	N=824
Street cleaning	17%	N=141	43%	N=351	25%	N=203	9%	N=78	6%	N=50	100%	N=823
Street lighting	18%	N=149	52%	N=432	23%	N=189	6%	N=53	0%	N=3	100%	N=826
Snow removal	27%	N=225	47%	N=389	19%	N=152	4%	N=34	2%	N=20	100%	N=820
Sidewalk maintenance	12%	N=103	43%	N=358	23%	N=188	8%	N=66	13%	N=110	100%	N=825
Traffic signal timing	10%	N=79	41%	N=335	32%	N=262	14%	N=111	4%	N=34	100%	N=821
Bus or transit services	9%	N=77	29%	N=241	16%	N=129	6%	N=53	39%	N=323	100%	N=823

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Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Lower Merion Township:	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Don't know		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Garbage collection	47%	N=389	39%	N=319	8%	N=66	2%	N=16	4%	N=32	100%	N=822
Recycling	46%	N=376	39%	N=317	9%	N=75	3%	N=27	3%	N=28	100%	N=823
Yard waste pick-up	27%	N=222	32%	N=264	12%	N=101	6%	N=46	23%	N=186	100%	N=819
Storm drainage	19%	N=158	48%	N=388	16%	N=129	4%	N=34	13%	N=107	100%	N=816
Drinking water	40%	N=331	45%	N=371	7%	N=61	2%	N=15	5%	N=44	100%	N=822
Sewer services	35%	N=283	44%	N=362	5%	N=43	1%	N=6	15%	N=120	100%	N=814
Power (electric and/or gas) utility	29%	N=234	50%	N=413	14%	N=111	4%	N=33	3%	N=28	100%	N=819
Township parks	43%	N=356	43%	N=354	6%	N=50	1%	N=5	7%	N=54	100%	N=819
Recreation programs or classes	15%	N=125	27%	N=224	7%	N=61	1%	N=7	49%	N=400	100%	N=817
Recreation centers or facilities	12%	N=100	28%	N=225	10%	N=78	2%	N=15	49%	N=396	100%	N=814
Land use, planning and zoning	8%	N=62	28%	N=228	24%	N=198	19%	N=155	21%	N=170	100%	N=813
Code enforcement (weeds, abandoned buildings, etc.)	10%	N=82	33%	N=269	16%	N=131	7%	N=58	34%	N=278	100%	N=818
Animal control	15%	N=124	34%	N=275	9%	N=74	3%	N=28	39%	N=317	100%	N=818
Economic development	8%	N=67	33%	N=272	17%	N=140	9%	N=70	33%	N=266	100%	N=815
Health services	27%	N=215	36%	N=295	5%	N=38	1%	N=6	32%	N=257	100%	N=811
Public library services	59%	N=481	28%	N=233	4%	N=31	0%	N=3	9%	N=73	100%	N=821
Public information services	28%	N=232	41%	N=336	9%	N=72	1%	N=10	20%	N=165	100%	N=815
Cable television	15%	N=124	36%	N=291	17%	N=135	8%	N=63	24%	N=195	100%	N=808
Emergency preparedness (services that prepare the community for natural disasters or other emergency situations)	17%	N=136	27%	N=219	8%	N=67	3%	N=23	44%	N=353	100%	N=798
Preservation of natural areas such as open space, farmlands and greenbelts	19%	N=157	39%	N=316	18%	N=150	12%	N=98	12%	N=99	100%	N=820
Lower Merion Township open space	19%	N=152	40%	N=326	22%	N=183	10%	N=79	10%	N=81	100%	N=821
Township-sponsored special events	9%	N=77	33%	N=273	14%	N=112	3%	N=22	41%	N=332	100%	N=816
Overall customer service by Lower Merion Township employees (police, receptionists, planners, etc.)	35%	N=289	47%	N=389	9%	N=77	2%	N=17	6%	N=51	100%	N=823

Table 45: Question 11

Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by each of the following?	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Don't know		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Lower Merion Township	40%	N=332	48%	N=396	9%	N=72	2%	N=13	1%	N=8	100%	N=821
The Federal Government	6%	N=53	35%	N=291	35%	N=288	14%	N=112	10%	N=80	100%	N=824

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Table 46: Question 12

Please rate the following categories of Lower Merion Township government performance:	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Don't know		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
The value of services for the taxes paid to Lower Merion Township	20%	N=157	44%	N=341	25%	N=195	10%	N=79	1%	N=11	100%	N=783
The overall direction that Lower Merion Township is taking	11%	N=83	38%	N=297	27%	N=214	18%	N=138	7%	N=52	100%	N=784
The job Lower Merion Township government does at welcoming citizen involvement	13%	N=99	30%	N=234	21%	N=164	13%	N=98	24%	N=183	100%	N=778
Overall confidence in Lower Merion Township government	15%	N=114	41%	N=320	26%	N=204	16%	N=123	3%	N=22	100%	N=783
Generally acting in the best interest of the community	16%	N=126	39%	N=305	24%	N=189	17%	N=136	3%	N=25	100%	N=781
Being honest	16%	N=124	34%	N=268	21%	N=161	17%	N=135	12%	N=95	100%	N=783
Treating all residents fairly	15%	N=117	35%	N=275	19%	N=146	14%	N=109	17%	N=134	100%	N=781

Table 47: Question 13

Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the Lower Merion Township community to focus on each of the following in the coming two years:	Essential		Very important		Somewhat important		Not at all important		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Overall feeling of safety in Lower Merion Township	63%	N=494	28%	N=220	8%	N=61	1%	N=8	100%	N=783
Overall ease of getting to the places you usually have to visit	33%	N=253	53%	N=409	13%	N=103	2%	N=13	100%	N=778
Quality of overall natural environment in Lower Merion Township	43%	N=336	43%	N=338	13%	N=101	1%	N=8	100%	N=783
Overall "built environment" of Lower Merion Township (including overall design, buildings, parks and transportation systems)	44%	N=344	42%	N=325	13%	N=99	2%	N=15	100%	N=783
Health and wellness opportunities in Lower Merion Township	24%	N=186	44%	N=339	26%	N=201	7%	N=51	100%	N=777
Overall opportunities for education and enrichment	37%	N=289	38%	N=297	20%	N=156	4%	N=32	100%	N=774
Overall economic health of Lower Merion Township	52%	N=405	40%	N=308	7%	N=57	1%	N=9	100%	N=779
Sense of community	35%	N=274	44%	N=346	18%	N=137	3%	N=22	100%	N=779

Table 48: Question 14

Please rate how satisfied, if at all, you are with these aspects of the Lower Merion Police Department:	Very satisfied		Somewhat satisfied		Somewhat dissatisfied		Very dissatisfied		Don't know		Total	
	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Overall Police Department	73%	N=560	19%	N=147	3%	N=22	1%	N=5	4%	N=33	100%	N=767
Response time of officers	70%	N=536	11%	N=83	1%	N=8	1%	N=5	18%	N=138	100%	N=770
Department presence in your neighborhood	51%	N=395	33%	N=258	5%	N=37	2%	N=14	9%	N=68	100%	N=772
Department's ability to respond to problems in your neighborhood	63%	N=489	17%	N=135	3%	N=27	1%	N=7	15%	N=116	100%	N=774
Personal confidence in the Police Department	73%	N=563	20%	N=154	3%	N=22	1%	N=9	4%	N=28	100%	N=776
Personal respect for the Police Department officers and employees	79%	N=610	15%	N=117	2%	N=16	1%	N=5	3%	N=25	100%	N=773
Police Department's interactions with the community	59%	N=454	23%	N=174	5%	N=37	1%	N=11	12%	N=96	100%	N=772

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Table 49: Question 15

In the last 12 months, how often, if at all, have you or a member of your household used Lower Merion Township Library services in person?	Percent	Number
2 times a week or more	13%	N=99
2-4 times a month	28%	N=216
Once a month or less	38%	N=293
Not at all	21%	N=166
Total	100%	N=774

Table 50: Question 16

In the last 12 months, how often, if at all, have you or a member of your household used Lower Merion Township Library services online?	Percent	Number
2 times a week or more	9%	N=70
2-4 times a month	15%	N=118
Once a month or less	24%	N=186
Not at all	52%	N=401
Total	100%	N=775

Table 51: Question 17

Please indicate how much of a source, if at all, you consider each of the following to be for obtaining information about the Township government and its activities, events and services:	Major source		Minor source		Not a source		Total	
	Printed communications (i.e., newsletters, flyers and pamphlets, annual report and calendar)	41%	N=311	44%	N=337	16%	N=119	100%
Township website (www.LowerMerion.org)	55%	N=425	33%	N=254	12%	N=89	100%	N=768
LMTV on TV or online (lmtv.viebit.com)	9%	N=70	32%	N=244	59%	N=445	100%	N=759
Blackboard Connect telephone and email alert system	39%	N=294	31%	N=238	30%	N=230	100%	N=762
Facebook and other social media	18%	N=135	26%	N=200	56%	N=426	100%	N=761

Table 52: Question D1

How often, if at all, do you do each of the following, considering all of the times you could?	Never		Rarely		Sometimes		Usually		Always		Total	
	Recycle at home	1%	N=7	0%	N=2	3%	N=21	13%	N=100	83%	N=625	100%
Purchase goods or services from a business located in Lower Merion Township	0%	N=1	1%	N=11	25%	N=190	56%	N=429	17%	N=133	100%	N=764
Eat at least 5 portions of fruits and vegetables a day	1%	N=11	10%	N=76	30%	N=230	34%	N=262	24%	N=183	100%	N=762
Participate in moderate or vigorous physical activity	1%	N=9	6%	N=49	27%	N=204	36%	N=275	30%	N=228	100%	N=765
Read or watch local news (via television, paper, computer, etc.)	2%	N=19	8%	N=64	16%	N=124	30%	N=231	43%	N=328	100%	N=766
Vote in local elections	1%	N=8	1%	N=8	3%	N=25	9%	N=69	86%	N=656	100%	N=766

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Table 53: Question D2

Would you say that in general your health is:	Percent	Number
Excellent	38%	N=290
Very good	46%	N=347
Good	14%	N=106
Fair	2%	N=14
Poor	1%	N=5
Total	100%	N=762

Table 54: Question D3

What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months? Do you think the impact will be:	Percent	Number
Very positive	8%	N=65
Somewhat positive	27%	N=206
Neutral	48%	N=366
Somewhat negative	13%	N=99
Very negative	4%	N=30
Total	100%	N=766

Table 55: Question D4

What is your employment status?	Percent	Number
Working full time for pay	49%	N=374
Working part time for pay	16%	N=120
Unemployed, looking for paid work	3%	N=22
Unemployed, not looking for paid work	4%	N=27
Fully retired	29%	N=222
Total	100%	N=765

Table 56: Question D5

Do you work inside the boundaries of Lower Merion Township?	Percent	Number
Yes, outside the home	20%	N=153
Yes, from home	20%	N=149
No	60%	N=448
Total	100%	N=750

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Table 57: Question D6

How many years have you lived in Lower Merion Township?	Percent	Number
Less than 2 years	3%	N=25
2 to 5 years	8%	N=62
6 to 10 years	9%	N=67
11 to 20 years	20%	N=150
More than 20 years	60%	N=464
Total	100%	N=768

Table 58: Question D7

Which best describes the building you live in?	Percent	Number
One family house detached from any other houses	80%	N=614
Building with two or more homes (duplex, townhome, apartment or condominium)	19%	N=147
Mobile home	0%	N=0
Other	1%	N=7
Total	100%	N=768

Table 59: Question D8

Is this house, apartment or mobile home...	Percent	Number
Rented	3%	N=26
Owned	97%	N=736
Total	100%	N=762

Table 60: Question D9

About how much is your monthly housing cost for the place you live (including rent, mortgage payment, property tax, property insurance and homeowners' association (HOA) fees)?	Percent	Number
Less than \$300 per month	2%	N=11
\$300 to \$599 per month	2%	N=15
\$600 to \$999 per month	7%	N=49
\$1,000 to \$1,499 per month	17%	N=124
\$1,500 to \$2,499 per month	25%	N=183
\$2,500 or more per month	47%	N=343
Total	100%	N=725

Table 61: Question D10

Do any children 17 or under live in your household?	Percent	Number
No	67%	N=510
Yes	33%	N=249
Total	100%	N=759

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Table 62: Question D11

Are you or any other members of your household aged 65 or older?	Percent	Number
No	54%	N=413
Yes	46%	N=346
Total	100%	N=759

Table 63: Question D12

How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the current year? (Please include in your total income money from all sources for all persons living in your household.)	Percent	Number
Less than \$25,000	3%	N=18
\$25,000 to \$49,999	4%	N=27
\$50,000 to \$99,999	15%	N=102
\$100,000 to \$149,999	19%	N=131
\$150,000 or more	59%	N=395
Total	100%	N=673

Table 64: Question D13

Are you Spanish, Hispanic or Latino?	Percent	Number
No, not Spanish, Hispanic or Latino	98%	N=737
Yes, I consider myself to be Spanish, Hispanic or Latino	2%	N=15
Total	100%	N=752

Table 65: Question D14

What is your race? (Mark one or more races to indicate what race(s) you consider yourself to be.)	Percent	Number
American Indian or Alaskan Native	0%	N=3
Asian, Asian Indian or Pacific Islander	2%	N=18
Black or African American	2%	N=13
White	94%	N=700
Other	3%	N=20

Total may exceed 100% as respondents could select more than one option.

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Table 66: Question D15

In which category is your age?	Percent	Number
18 to 24 years	0%	N=3
25 to 34 years	2%	N=18
35 to 44 years	11%	N=84
45 to 54 years	21%	N=157
55 to 64 years	25%	N=189
65 to 74 years	25%	N=191
75 years or older	16%	N=118
Total	100%	N=760

Table 67: Question D16

What is your sex?	Percent	Number
Female	50%	N=378
Male	50%	N=383
Total	100%	N=761

Table 68: Question D17

Do you consider a cell phone or landline your primary telephone number?	Percent	Number
Cell	35%	N=270
Land line	27%	N=208
Both	37%	N=286
Total	100%	N=764