

HOMER COMP PLAN SURVEY DATA COMPARISON BY AGE COHORTS

(NOTE: THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS ARE BASED ON: (1) PERCENTAGES; AND (2) ALL NUMBERS ARE ROUNDED WHICH ACCOUNTS FOR SOME ANSWERS NOT ADDING UP TO 100%)

1. Are you a homeowner or a renter?

GROUP	HOMEOWNER	RENTER	NO ANSWER
18-35	65	35	
36-64	87	12	1
65+	92	7	

2. How many people live full time in your household?

GROUP	NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS							No Answer
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7+	
18-35	17	30	22	13	9	0	4	4
36-64	16	45	15	19	4	0	2	
65+	38	54	3	3	1	0	0	1

3. Are you male or female?

GROUP	MALE	FEMALE
18-35	48	52
36-64	53	47
65+	58	41

4. What is your age?

Number of respondents in Group 18-35 = 23

Number of respondents in Group 36-64 = 136

Number of respondents in Group 65+ = 72

5. Do you have children under the age of 18 who live with you?

GROUP	YES	NO
18-35	48	52
36-64	38	62
65+	4	96

6. Is anyone in your household aged 65 or older?

GROUP	YES	NO
18-35	0	100
36-64	4	96
65+	100	0

7. How many years have you lived in the Village of Homer?

GROUP	< 1 yr	1-5 yrs	6-10 yrs	11-20 yrs	21-30yrs	30+ yrs
18-35	13	52	13	9	13	0
36-64	4	17	18	18	15	26
65+	6	6	10	6	4	69

8. Do you use your property for anything other than a residence?

GROUP	YES	NO
18-35	17	83
36-64	10	90
65+	4	96

9. What influenced you to live in Homer (check all that apply)

	Group 18-35	Group 36-64	Group 65+
Born or raised here	47	32	31
Low crime rate	26	33	29
Community appearance	47	46	44
Quality of nearby services	22	17	28
Close to work	52	35	33
Cost of housing	22	25	19
Quality of schools	52	50	43
Proximity to relatives or friends	57	35	42
Small town atmosphere	47	68	54
Nearness to I-81	22	21	17
Historic character	26	43	81
Other		7	13
No answer			3

10. What is your employment status?

	Group 18-35	Group 36-64	Group 65+
Employed	87	80	6
Unemployed	13	2	1
Semi-retired	0	7	11
Retired	0	10	82

11. What do you like most about living in Homer? (See list of open-ended questions)

12. On average, how often do you purchase goods or services within the Village of Homer (Please check only ONE box)

	<u>Group 18-35</u>	<u>Group 36-64</u>	<u>Group 65+</u>
Daily	26	29	21
Once a week	61	35	22
A few times a month	4	18	29
Once a month	4	9	11
Less than once a month	0	8	10
Never	4	<1	1
No answer			6

13. Where do you buy groceries most often? (Please Check only ONE box)

	<u>Group 18-35</u>	<u>Group 36-64</u>	<u>Group 65+</u>
Homer	4	4	6
Cortland/Cortlandville	96	91	86
Syracuse	0	4	0
Other	0	Ithaca: 1	1
No answer			7

14. Where are the top three places you shop for goods and services? (Please select 3)

	<u>Group 18-35</u>	<u>Group 36-64</u>	<u>Group 65+</u>
Homer	35	38	52
Ithaca	56	43	35
Syracuse	61	60	46
Cortland/Cortlandville	100	97	93
Binghamton	0	8	3
Internet	22	21	10
Other	0	3	6
No answer			6

15. When you go downtown, is it usually to (check all that apply):

	<u>Group 18-35</u>	<u>Group 36-64</u>	<u>Group 65+</u>
Shop	26	16	21
Go to the bank	35	49	60
Work	12	6	6
Go to the post office	43	65	68
Walk/exercise	57	34	29
Eat	15	11	10
Go to church	0	9	25
Get groceries	17	14	17
Go to the library	9	13	19
Other	26	10	10
No answer			10

16. Please rate the following about Homer's existing conditions/services. 1= Poor; 2 = Fair; 3 = Satisfactory; 4 = Good; 5 = Excellent; 6= No opinion

	Group 18-35						Group 36-64						Group 65+					
	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6
Small town atmosphere	0	0	9	30	61	0	0	2	6	31	60	<1	0	1	8	28	54	8
Parks/Recreation activities	4	9	22	26	30	9	3	7	21	37	26	6	0	4	18	35	25	18
Neighbors/Neighborhoods	0	0	13	60	26	0	0	6	17	43	31	1	3	4	21	32	33	7
Homer School buildings	0	4	4	43	43	4	0	1	18	43	30	7	0	0	11	46	32	11
Homer School programs	0	4	9	43	35	9	<1	4	17	37	28	14	0	1	11	44	25	18
Housing conditions	0	4	17	61	17	0	<1	11	23	54	6	4	1	8	28	35	11	17
Housing Choices	0	9	17	52	22	0	1	10	29	46	7	7	2	14	22	32	10	18
Variety of downtown businesses	22	17	30	17	13	0	12	28	30	23	1	1	4	10	29	22	10	13
Route 281 commercial corridor	4	26	30	22	17	0	8	27	30	18	8	2	1	24	24	25	8	17
Sidewalks	4	17	26	26	26	0	7	17	30	37	1	1	4	21	24	24	13	11
Fire Department	0	0	4	43	48	4	0	<1	10	31	3	3	0	0	7	24	60	10
Police Department	4	0	9	17	43	4	1	5	13	37	4	4	0	0	14	38	38	11
Code Enforcement	0	4	30	26	22	0	5	13	23	26	15	15	5	14	21	25	13	22
Ambulance services	0	4	0	43	22	3	0	0	13	30	31	31	1	1	13	29	39	17
Community events	0	4	9	52	30	4	0	3	15	40	2	2	0	3	18	36	31	13
Traffic and roads	0	9	26	22	43	0	1	7	20	50	<1	<1	0	6	22	42	21	10
Pedestrian/bicycle friendliness	0	13	13	35	35	4	3	8	19	46	4	4	4	8	21	39	14	14
Parking	4	17	9	43	26	0	1	9	29	43	2	3	0	10	25	39	17	10
Services/activities for youth	9	17	13	22	17	22	6	9	19	29	20	20	0	7	17	36	11	29
Services/activities for the elderly	4	4	4	17	9	61	1	4	22	18	43	43	1	6	24	39	13	18
Village government	0	13	13	30	13	30	2	11	29	35	12	12	2	8	25	29	19	14
Town government	0	4	21	30	13	30	2	5	29	35	18	18	1	11	21	32	18	17

17. In your opinion, since you have lived here has the Village of Homer: (a) Become a more desirable place to live; (b) Become a less desirable place to live; Not changed noticeably as a place to live; or No opinion.

	Group 18-35	Group 36-64	Group 65+
More desirable	39	32	32
Less desirable	9	18	14
Not changed noticeably	52	44	42
No opinion	0	6	13

18. Which of these factors would make the Village a less desirable place to live (Check all that apply).

	Group 18-35	Group 36-64	Group 65+
In adequate housing opportunities/ choices	30	29	43
Lack of employment	39	39	46
Quality of schools	39	47	35
Loss of historic character	39	46	36
Conversion of SF homes to multi-family	35	46	50
Area is becoming overdeveloped	35	22	25
Lack of cultural opportunities	17	24	15
Inadequate parks recreation	30	33	26
Neighborhood deterioration	74	71	51
Inadequate community services	35	34	32
Other	9	0	4

19. In your opinion, which of the following land use issues should be better regulated? (Check all that apply)

	Group 18-35	Group 36-64	Group 65+
Minimum lot size	9	12	19
Minimum dwelling size	0	8	17
Building setbacks	4	4	10
Zoning districts	0	23	22
Street trees/lawn requirements	4	14	15
Junkyards	35	43	44
Mobile homes	9	29	36
Commercial building design	9	13	9
Signs	9	12	22
Waterfront management	9	10	8
Protection of scenic views	22	32	22
Historic preservation	30	32	29
Parking/traffic	17	11	14
Housing densities	4	19	18
None, land use should not be regulated	30	8	18
Other	4	10	8
No answer	13	0	17

20. Regarding consolidation with the Town, the Village should:

	Group 18-35	Group 36-64	Group 65+
Not consider consolidation at all	13	5	15
Should consider the consolidation of some department/services	39	45	49
The Village should merge with the Town	13	21	8
No opinion	35	29	28
Other	0	<1	0

21. As the Village moves towards the future, what types of development would you like to see? (Check all that apply)

	Group 18-35	Group 36-64	Group 65+
Single family homes	26	32	36
Townhouses/condos	9	14	32
Housing for senior citizens	4	28	57
Neighborhood service businesses	30	20	13
A pharmacy	48	47	65
Bicycle/pedestrian trails	57	48	35
Sidewalks throughout the Village	57	40	39
Rental housing	4	7	8
Apartment complexes	9	5	7
More retail stores	22	32	35
Another grocery store	35	32	42
More parkland/recreation	39	20	8
More commercial development	13	16	18
Maintaining/rehab existing housing stock	61	57	53
Industrial	13	12	18
No more development	0	10	6
No opinion	4	5	6
Other	4	12	17