

# Jefferson County Cooperation Study

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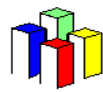
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## Charting Summary



# Chart 1

## Survey Objective and Methodology

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### ➤ Objective

- The principal objective of this study was to determine whether or not Jefferson County voters would support their local government cooperating with other governments in the region to provide selected services.
- This study was conducted for the Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham. The survey instrument used for data collection was field pre-tested prior to the start of data collection.

### ➤ Methodology

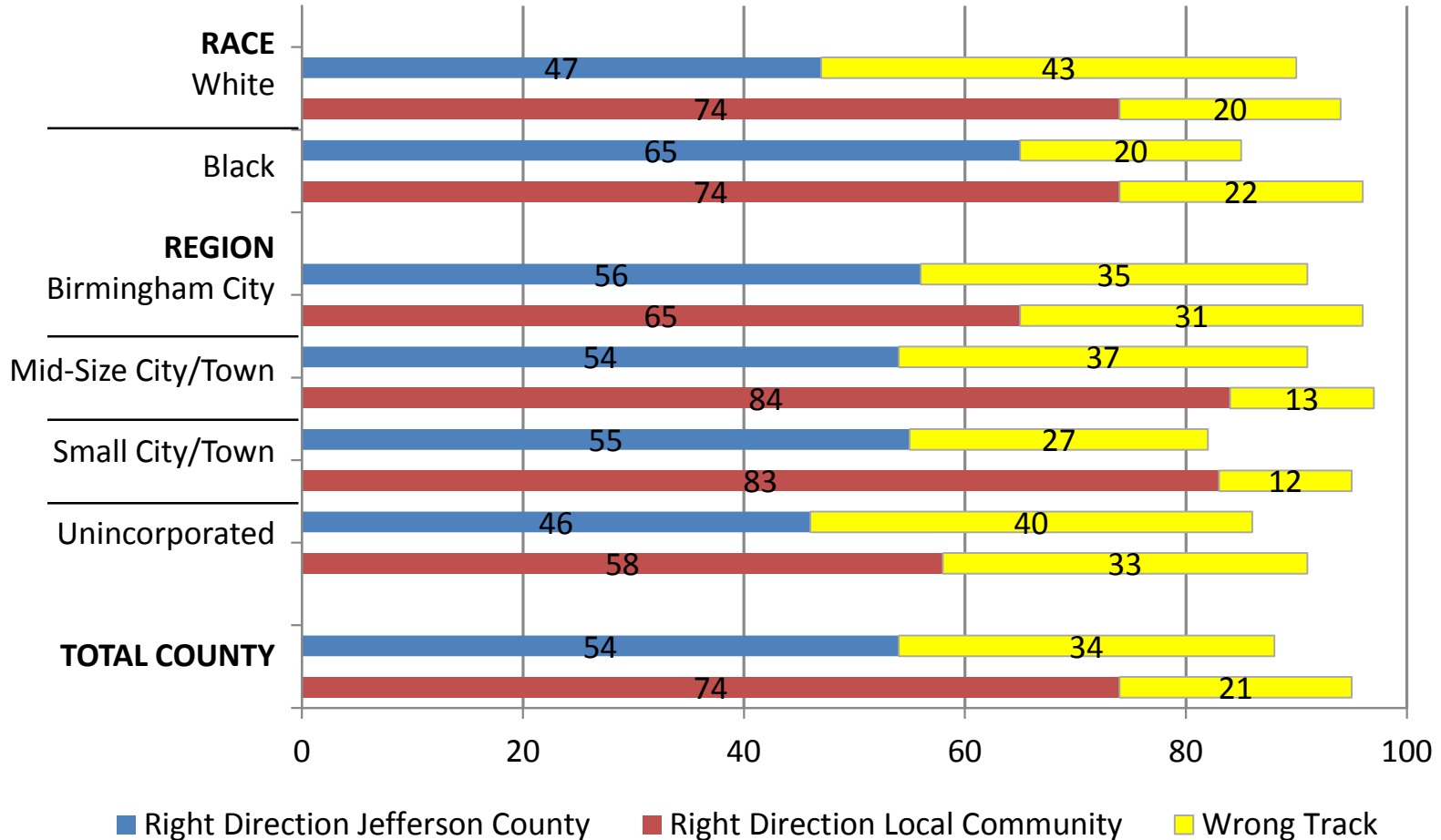
- The data for this study is based on a telephone survey conducted between November 29 – December 3, 2016 with 400 registered voters residing in Jefferson County, Alabama. To increase coverage, the sample was supplemented with 80 cellphone interviews.
- The margin of error due to sampling for 400 completed surveys is  $\pm 5.0$  percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level. For cross-tabulated data the margin of error due to sampling will be larger.
- For data analysis purposes, Jefferson County survey respondents have been grouped into the following geographic regions:
  - ❖ Birmingham City – Includes those residing inside the Birmingham City limits.
  - ❖ Mid-sized city/town – Incorporated cities/towns with a population greater than 20,000. This area includes Bessemer, Homewood, Hoover, Mountain Brook, Trussville, and Vestavia Hills.
  - ❖ Small city/town – Incorporated cities/towns with a population less than 20,000.
  - ❖ Unincorporated – All unincorporated areas of the county.
- Data have been weighted to reflect the age and race characteristics of registered voters in Jefferson County.

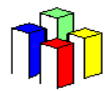




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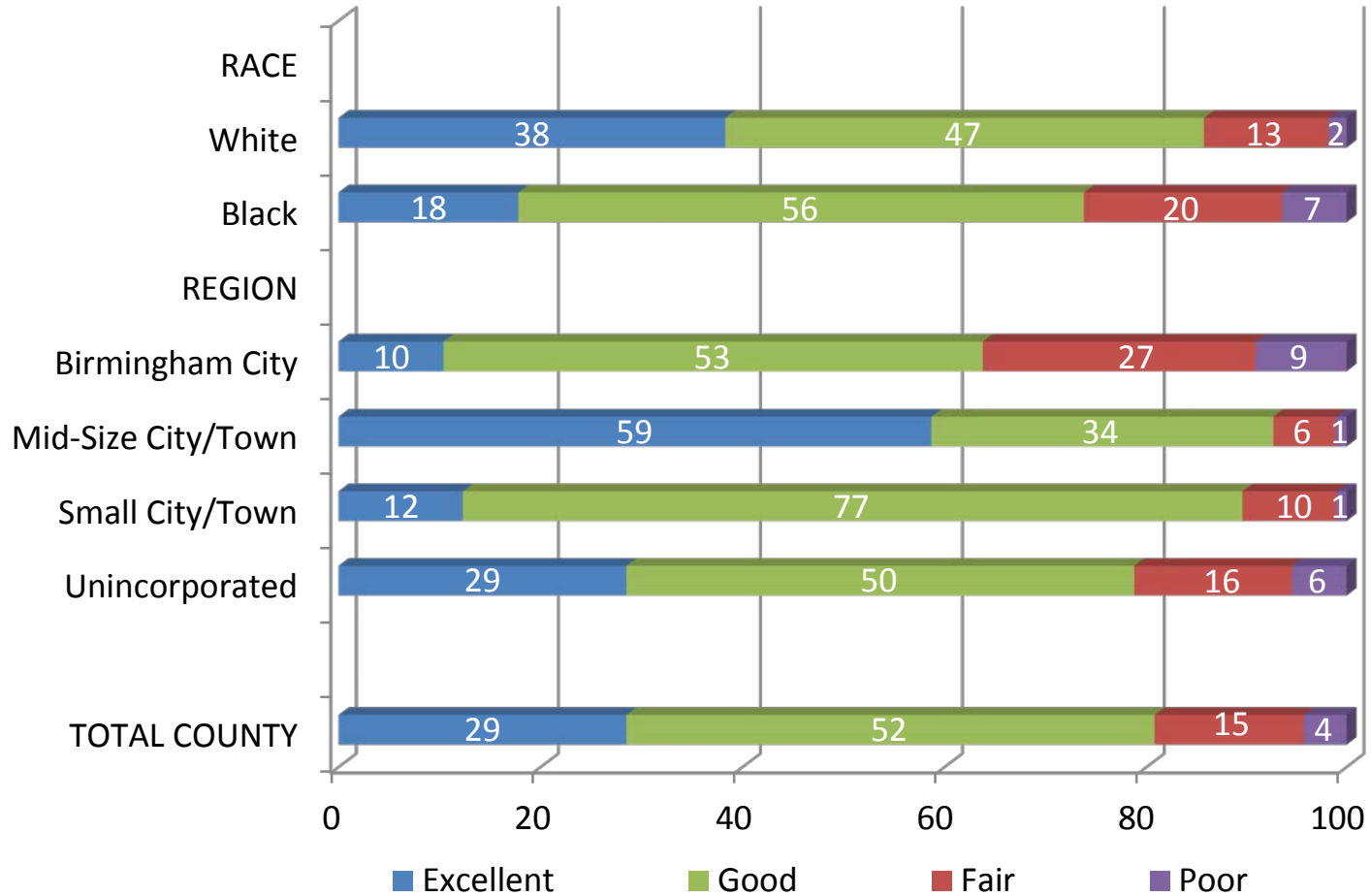
# Opinions Concerning Whether Jefferson County and Resident's Local Communities Are Moving in the Right Direction or on the Wrong Track





# Chart 3

## Residents' Opinions Concerning the Overall Quality of Life in Their Local Community





# Chart 4-A

## Residents' Level of Satisfaction with Services Provided by Their Local Government

LOCAL POLICE PROTECTION	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
White	91%	8%
Black	85%	16%
Birmingham City	84%	16%
Mid-Size City/Town	89%	11%
Small City/Town	96%	3%
Unincorporated	83%	15%
TOTAL COUNTY	88%	11%

QUALITY OF YOUR LOCAL PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
White	82%	12%
Black	69%	29%
Birmingham City	77%	21%
Mid-Size City/Town	75%	22%
Small City/Town	89%	10%
Unincorporated	61%	20%
TOTAL COUNTY	77%	19%





# Chart 4-B

## Residents' Level of Satisfaction with Services Provided by Their Local Government

LOCAL STREET AND ROAD MAINTENANCE	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
White	64%	35%
Black	57%	42%
Birmingham City	54%	46%
Mid-Size City/Town	62%	36%
Small City/Town	72%	28%
Unincorporated	51%	45%
TOTAL COUNTY	60%	39%

CULTURAL ARTS AVAILABLE LOCALLY	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
White	65%	19%
Black	65%	25%
Birmingham City	73%	21%
Mid-Size City/Town	72%	22%
Small City/Town	61%	19%
Unincorporated	36%	34%
TOTAL COUNTY	64%	23%







# Chart 4-C

## Residents' Level of Satisfaction with Services Provided by Their Local Government

THE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICE TO YOUR COMMUNITY	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
White	30%	33%
Black	56%	31%
Birmingham City	49%	36%
Mid-Size City/Town	45%	26%
Small City/Town	32%	34%
Unincorporated	23%	36%
TOTAL COUNTY	40%	32%

YOUR LOCAL TRASH PICK-UP SERVICE	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
White	80%	10%
Black	87%	12%
Birmingham City	85%	12%
Mid-Size City/Town	84%	12%
Small City/Town	88%	7%
Unincorporated	63%	13%
TOTAL COUNTY	82%	11%





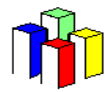
# Chart 4-D

## Residents' Level of Satisfaction with Services Provided by Their Local Government

LOCAL FIRE PROTECTION	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
White	95%	2%
Black	98%	2%
Birmingham City	98%	2%
Mid-Size City/Town	98%	0%
Small City/Town	96%	3%
Unincorporated	89%	5%
TOTAL COUNTY	96%	2%

YOUR LOCAL SCHOOLS	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
White	69%	22%
Black	64%	33%
Birmingham City	54%	41%
Mid-Size City/Town	76%	18%
Small City/Town	69%	24%
Unincorporated	66%	20%
TOTAL COUNTY	66%	27%





# Chart 4-E

## Residents' Level of Satisfaction with Their Local Government

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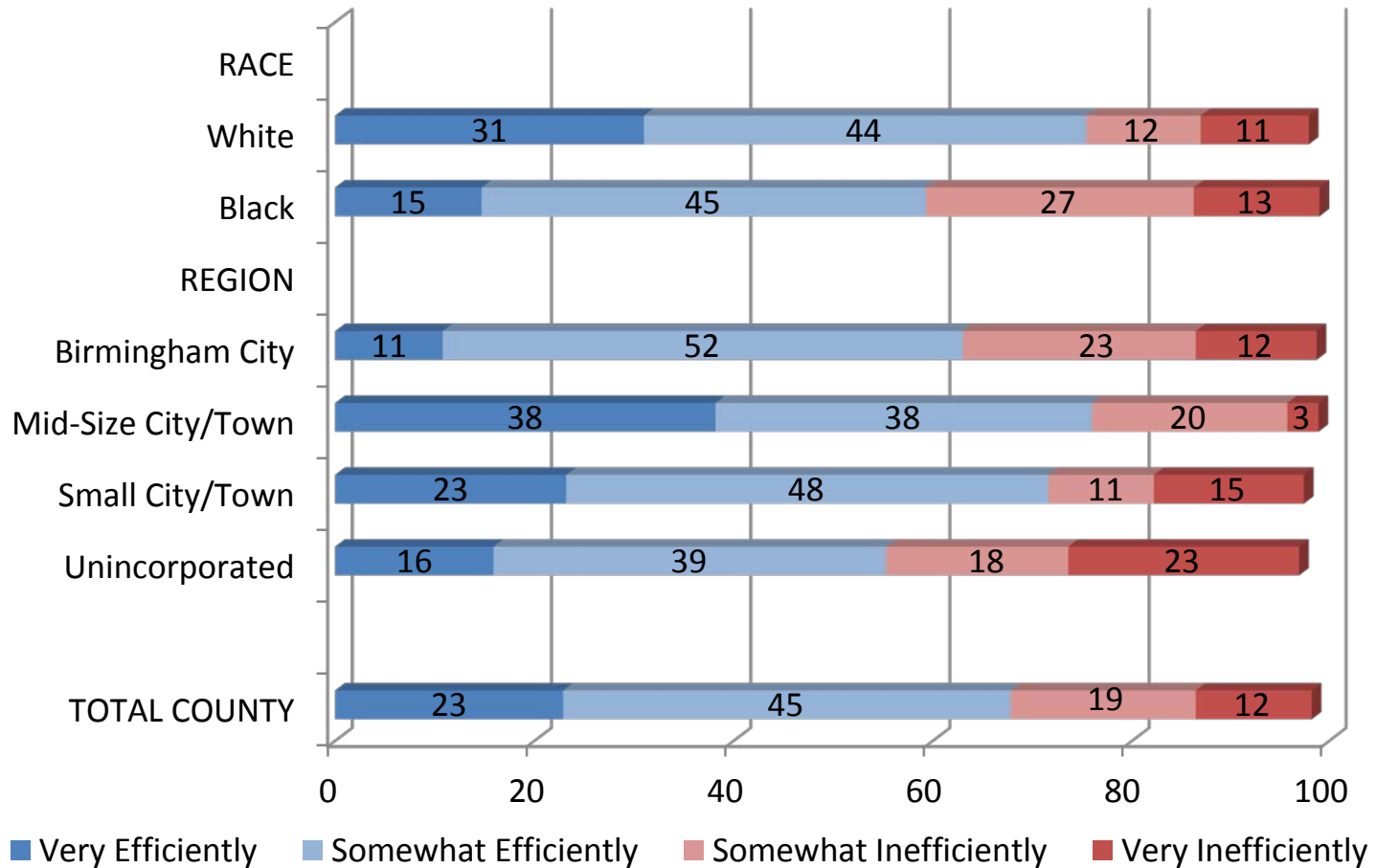
YOUR LOCAL GOVERNMENT	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
White	69%	25%
Black	65%	31%
Birmingham City	51%	45%
Mid-Size City/Town	85%	14%
Small City/Town	80%	19%
Unincorporated	45%	36%
TOTAL COUNTY	67%	28%





# Chart 5

**“Thinking about these same services and the amount you pay for them in fees and taxes, would you say your local government is providing these services to you very efficiently, somewhat efficiently, somewhat inefficiently or very inefficiently?”**





# Chart 6-A

## Residents' Support for their Local Government Working Cooperatively with Other Regional Governments to Provide Selected Services

TO PROMOTE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR THE ENTIRE REGION	Support	Oppose	Undecided
White	86%	11%	3%
Black	85%	9%	6%
Birmingham City	94%	6%	0%
Mid-Size City/Town	80%	15%	5%
Small City/Town	79%	9%	11%
Unincorporated	82%	18%	0%
TOTAL COUNTY	84%	12%	4%

TO SUPPORT LEGISLATION THAT BENEFITS THE GREATER JEFFERSON COUNTY REGION	Support	Oppose	Undecided
White	84%	12%	4%
Black	87%	9%	4%
Birmingham City	89%	6%	5%
Mid-Size City/Town	82%	14%	4%
Small City/Town	91%	7%	3%
Unincorporated	77%	21%	2%
TOTAL COUNTY	85%	11%	4%





## Chart 6-B

### Residents' Support for their Local Government Working Cooperatively with Other Regional Governments to Provide Selected Services

<b>PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION</b>	<b>Support</b>	<b>Oppose</b>	<b>Undecided</b>
White	79%	19%	2%
Black	90%	8%	2%
Birmingham City	87%	8%	5%
Mid-Size City/Town	82%	17%	2%
Small City/Town	86%	13%	1%
Unincorporated	70%	28%	2%
<b>TOTAL COUNTY</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>3%</b>

<b>STREET AND ROAD MAINTENANCE</b>	<b>Support</b>	<b>Oppose</b>	<b>Undecided</b>
White	77%	21%	3%
Black	92%	8%	0%
Birmingham City	90%	10%	1%
Mid-Size City/Town	75%	22%	3%
Small City/Town	87%	12%	1%
Unincorporated	78%	22%	0%
<b>TOTAL COUNTY</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>1%</b>





## Chart 6-C

### Residents' Support for their Local Government Working Cooperatively with Other Regional Governments to Provide Selected Services

<b>DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES</b>	<b>Support</b>	<b>Oppose</b>	<b>Undecided</b>
White	76%	21%	4%
Black	86%	8%	6%
Birmingham City	91%	8%	1%
Mid-Size City/Town	71%	24%	5%
Small City/Town	74%	16%	10%
Unincorporated	82%	16%	2%
<b>TOTAL COUNTY</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>4%</b>

<b>POLICE PROTECTION</b>	<b>Support</b>	<b>Oppose</b>	<b>Undecided</b>
White	74%	23%	3%
Black	86%	14%	0%
Birmingham City	89%	11%	0%
Mid-Size City/Town	64%	32%	3%
Small City/Town	83%	17%	1%
Unincorporated	79%	19%	2%
<b>TOTAL COUNTY</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>2%</b>





## Chart 6-D

### Residents' Support for their Local Government Working Cooperatively with Other Regional Governments to Provide Selected Services

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FIRE PROTECTION	Support	Oppose	Undecided
White	79%	18%	3%
Black	88%	7%	6%
Birmingham City	91%	8%	1%
Mid-Size City/Town	76%	22%	2%
Small City/Town	74%	14%	12%
Unincorporated	85%	15%	0%
TOTAL COUNTY	82%	15%	4%







## Chart 6-E

**“If your local government determined they could provide some services to residents more efficiently by participating in cooperative programs with all other governments in the region, would you support or oppose this initiative?”**

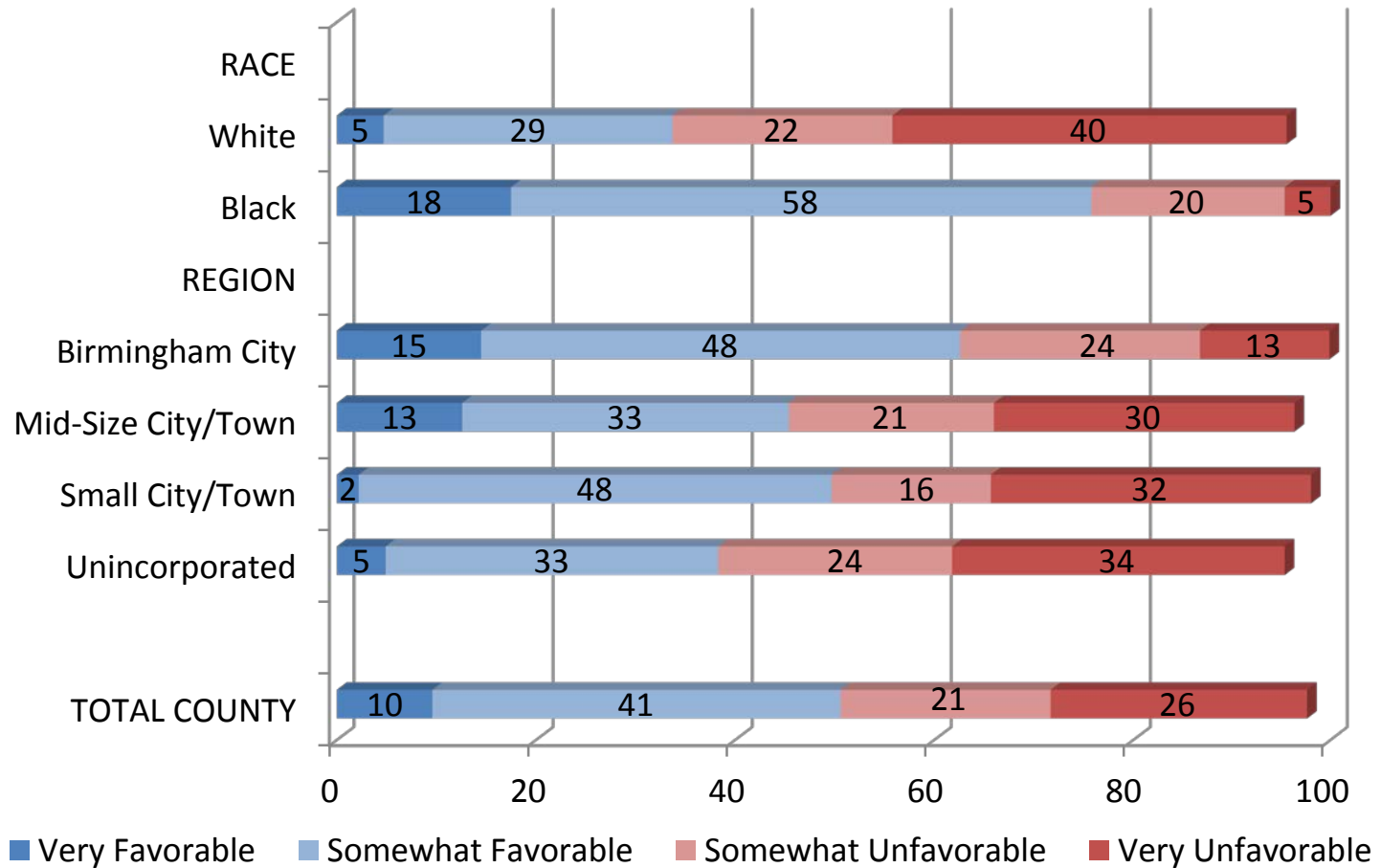
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PROVIDE SERVICES COOPERATIVELY WHEN MORE EFFICIENT	Support	Oppose	Undecided
White	76%	17%	7%
Black	89%	11%	0%
Birmingham City	93%	7%	0%
Mid-Size City/Town	72%	20%	8%
Small City/Town	77%	22%	2%
Unincorporated	79%	15%	7%
TOTAL COUNTY	81%	16%	4%



# Chart 7

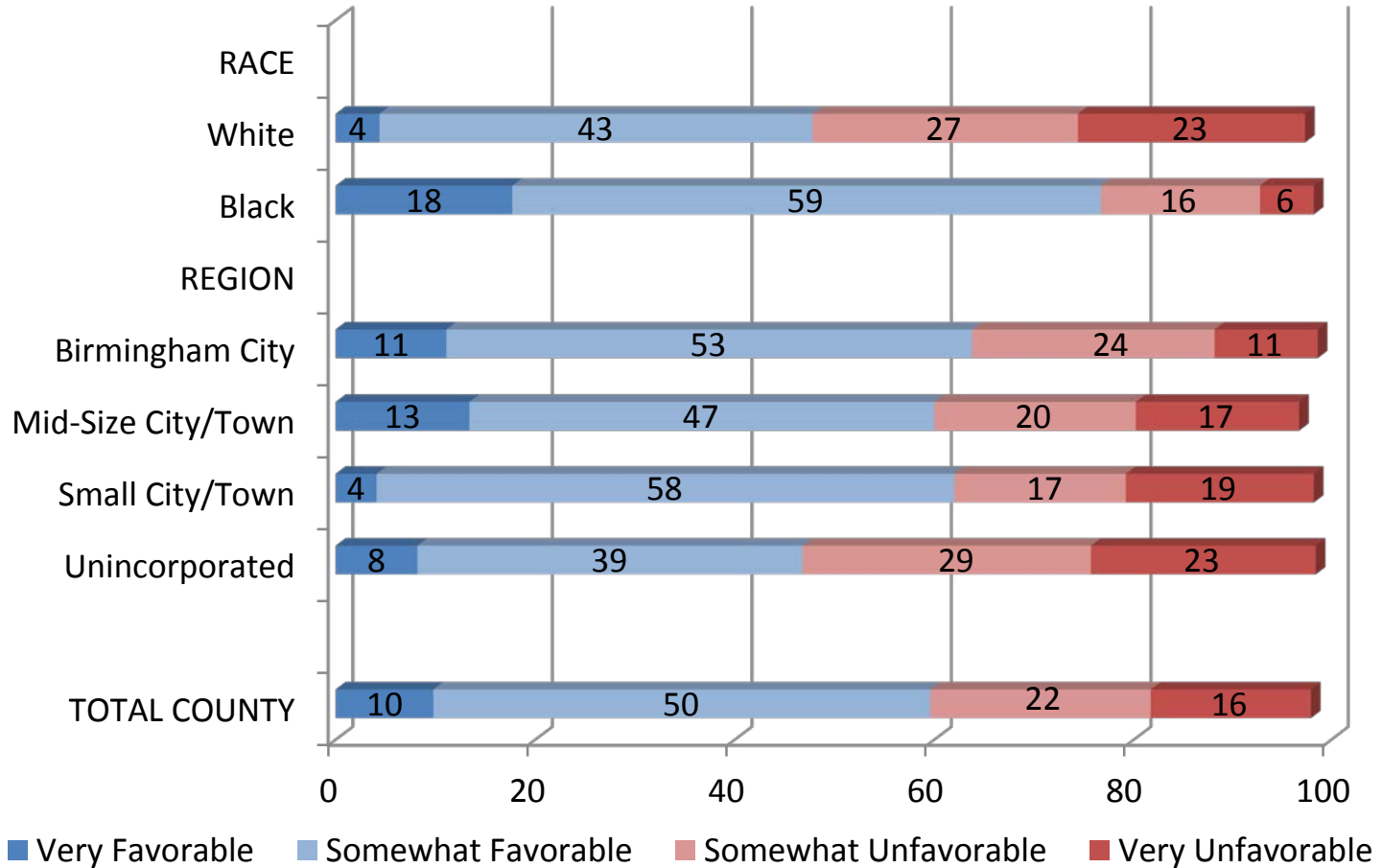
## Residents' Overall Opinion of the Birmingham City Government





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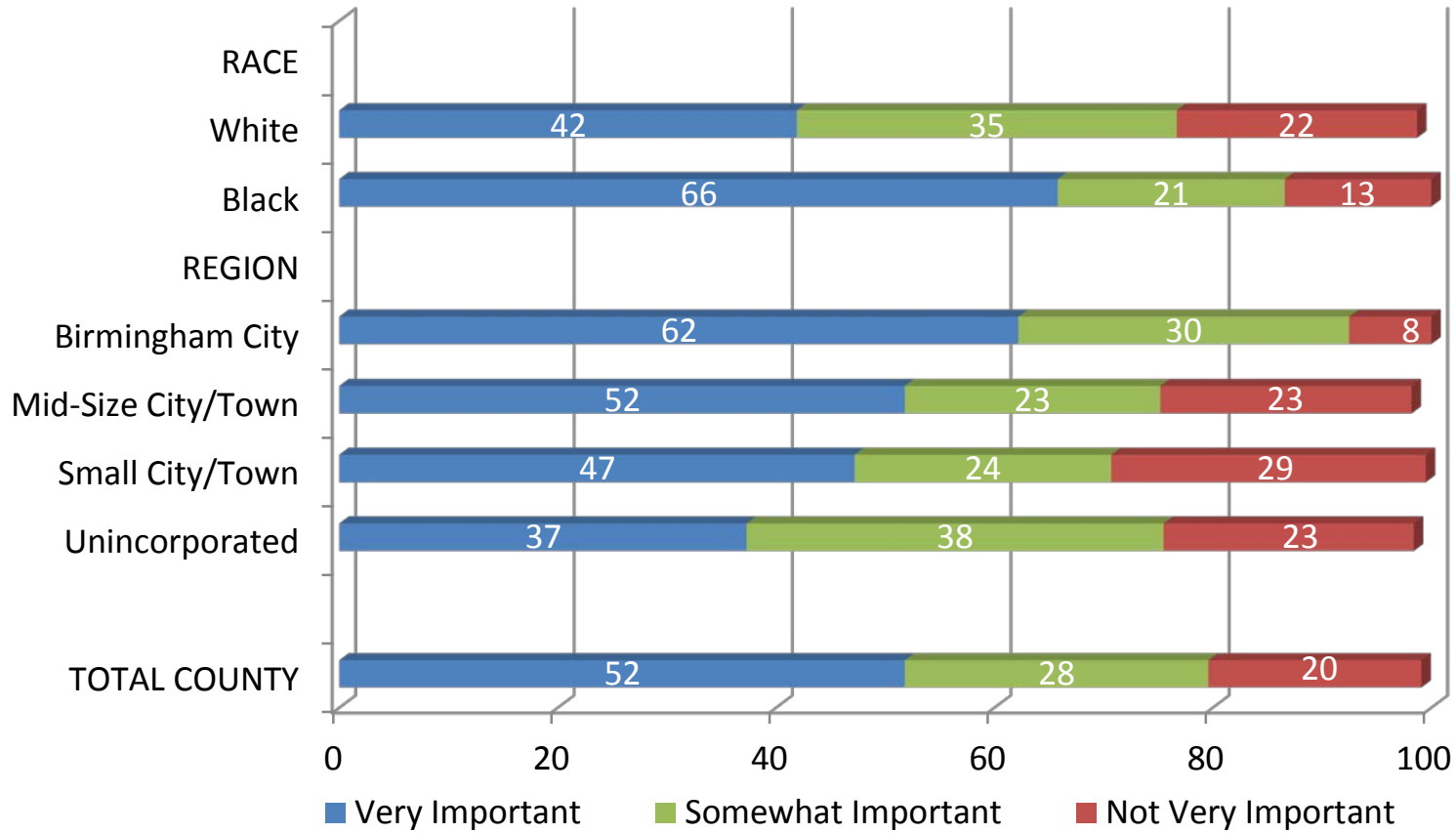
## Residents' Overall Opinion of the Jefferson County Government





# Chart 9

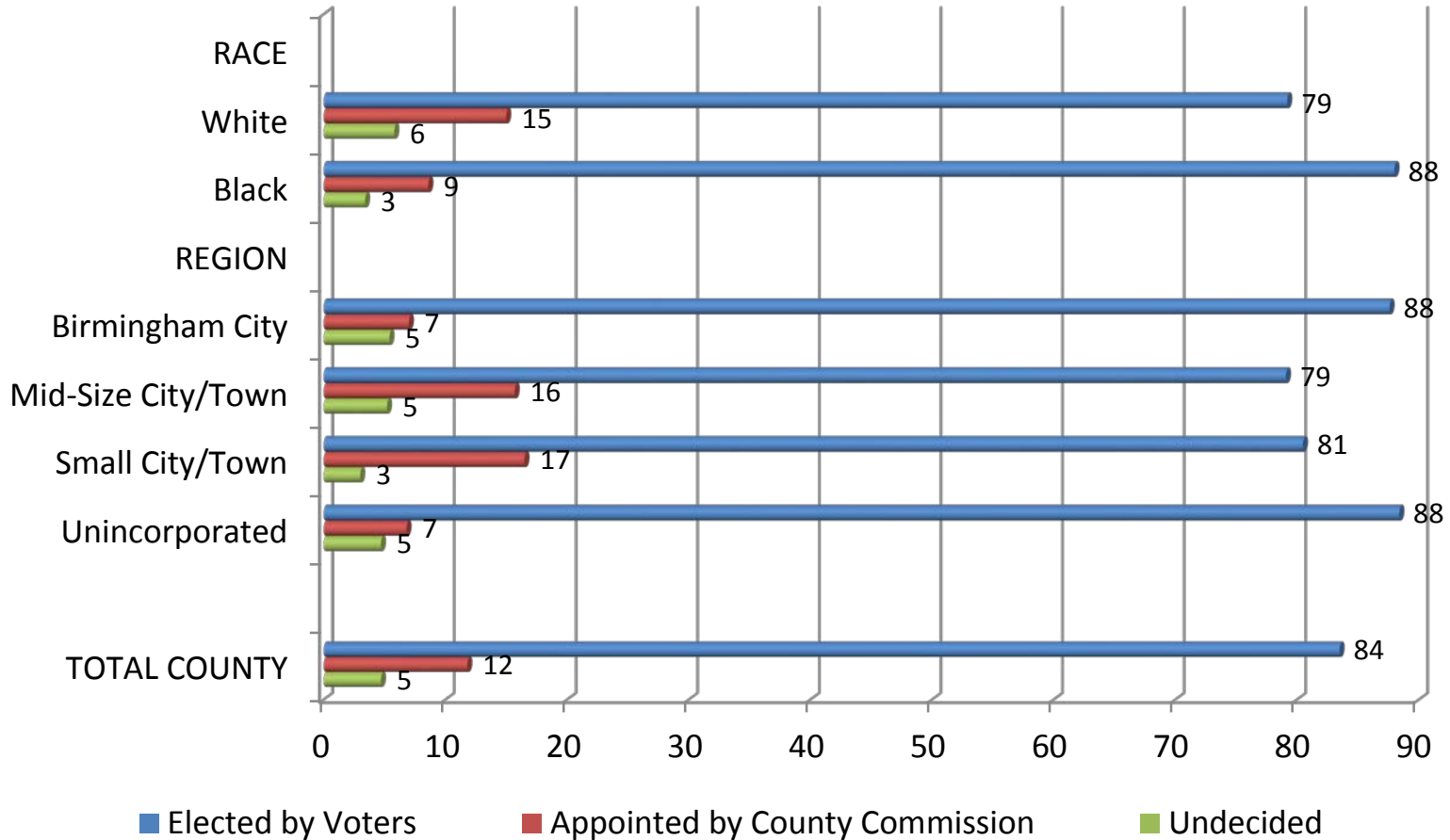
## Importance of the Birmingham Zoo, the Museum of Art, Railroad Park and Other Amenities in the City of Birmingham to Residents of Jefferson County





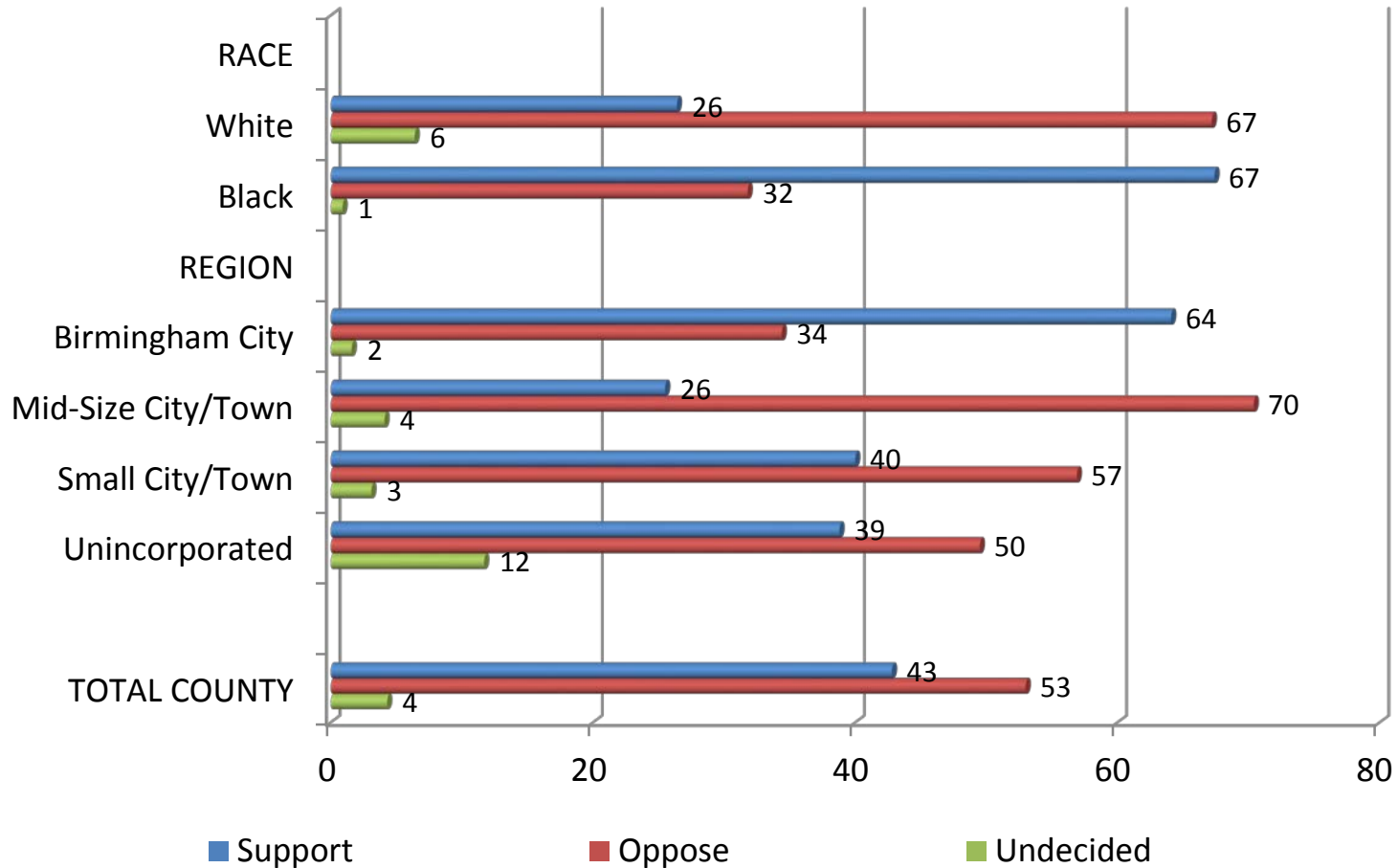
# Chart 10

## Residents' Opinion Concerning Whether Jefferson County's Manager of Government Operations Should be Appointed by the County Commission or Elected by Voters



# Chart 11

**“As a way to provide services to their residents on a regional basis some cities have merged with their counties. Would you support or oppose a merger between your city or town and Jefferson County?”**





## Summary of Findings



# Summary of Findings

## ➤ Right Direction/Wrong Track

- **Local Communities** - More than seven out of ten (74%) Jefferson County residents feel their local community is moving in the right direction and getting better while about one-fifth (21%) feel their local community is on the wrong track and getting worse. Residents of mid-size and small incorporated areas are more likely to feel their community is headed in the right direction compared to residents of Birmingham City and unincorporated areas of the county.

Area	Right Direction
Mid-size Incorporated Areas	84%
Small Incorporated Areas	83%
Birmingham City	65%
Unincorporated Areas	58%

- **Jefferson County** - Slightly more than one-half (54%) of the county's residents feel that Jefferson County is headed in the right direction and about one-third (34%) feel the county is on the wrong track. Whites (43%) and residents of unincorporated parts (40%) of the county were more likely to feel that Jefferson County is headed in the wrong direction compared to other population subgroups.

## ➤ Quality of Life Ratings for Residents' Local Communities

Residents of mid-size and small incorporated areas rated the quality of life in their communities highest (compared to other geographic areas) with about nine out of ten residents rating the quality of life as either excellent or good in these two areas. About six out of ten (64%) residents of the City of Birmingham feel the quality of life in their community is excellent or good.





# Summary of Findings (con't)

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➤ **Residents' Level of Satisfaction for Selected Local Services and Support for Cooperative Service Providing Arrangements**

Residents of Jefferson County indicated whether they were generally satisfied or dissatisfied with eight services provided to them by their local governments. For five of these services, residents were subsequently asked whether they would support their local government cooperating with other regional governments to provide them. These five services were:

- ✓ Police Protection
- ✓ Street and Road Maintenance
- ✓ Public Transportation
- ✓ Fire Protection
- ✓ Parks and Recreation Facilities

- **Police Protection** – Close to nine out of ten (88%) residents of Jefferson County indicated they were satisfied with the police protection they receive from their local government. Satisfaction for police protection was highest among residents of mid-size (89%) and small (96%) incorporated areas.

***Support for Cooperative Efforts to Provide Police Protection*** – Close to eight out of ten (78%) of the county's residents indicated they would support their local government cooperating with other governments in the region to provide police protection. However, this level of support was not uniform across the four geographical areas analyzed. Residents of the City of Birmingham recorded the highest level (89%) of support for a cooperative effort to provide their city with police protection while residents of mid-size incorporated areas displayed the lowest (64%) level of support for their local government cooperating with other governments for this service.



# Summary of Findings (con't)

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- **Street and Road Maintenance** – Just six out of ten (60%) Jefferson County residents indicated they were satisfied with the maintenance of their local streets and roads. Satisfaction with this service was lowest among residents of unincorporated areas (51%) and the City of Birmingham (54%). Six out of ten (62%) residents of mid-size incorporated areas were satisfied with their local street and road maintenance versus seven out of ten (72%) of residents of smaller incorporated areas.

***Support for Cooperative Efforts to Provide Street and Road Maintenance*** – While eight out of ten (83%) county residents support a cooperative effort to provide street and road maintenance to their communities, this level of support is not uniform among the four geographical areas highlighted in the analysis. For example, nine out of ten (90%) residents in the City of Birmingham support a cooperative approach to provide street and road maintenance to their community, while just three-fourths (75%) of those residing in the mid-size incorporated areas of the county support cooperating with other regional communities for this service. Support for a cooperative effort for street and road maintenance was supported by 87% of the residents living in small incorporated areas and among 78% of residents in unincorporated areas.

- **Public Transportation** – Residents of Jefferson County are more dissatisfied with their public transportation than any other service examined in this study. County-wide just 40% of the residents are satisfied with public transportation. The lowest level (23%) of satisfaction with public transportation is among residents of unincorporated areas followed by residents of small incorporated communities (32%), residents of mid-size incorporated areas (45%) and residents of the City of Birmingham (49%).



# Summary of Findings (con't)

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***Support for Cooperative Efforts to Provide Public Transportation*** – Over eighty percent of the county’s residents living in incorporated cities and towns (including the City of Birmingham) support a cooperative effort by their local government to provide them public transportation.

- **Fire Protection** – Residents of Jefferson County are more satisfied (96%) with the fire protection service they are receiving from their local government than any other service covered in this study.

***Support for Cooperative Efforts to Provide Fire Protection*** – There is a good level of support among residents of unincorporated areas (85%) for a cooperative effort for fire protection service. However, support for a cooperative program for this service is not as strong among residents of mid-size (76%) and small (74%) incorporated communities.

- **Parks and Recreation Facilities** – Slightly over three-fourths (77%) of Jefferson County residents are satisfied with the quality of their local parks and recreation facilities. Satisfaction for this local service is highest (89%) among residents of small incorporated communities and lowest (61%) among those residing in unincorporated parts of the county. Residents of the City of Birmingham and residents of mid-size incorporated areas recorded satisfaction levels of 77% and 75% respectively for the quality of local parks and recreation facilities.

***Support for Cooperative Efforts to Develop and Maintain Parks and Recreation Facilities*** – There is good support for cooperative agreements to develop and maintain parks and recreation facilities among residents in the City of Birmingham (91%) and among residents who live in unincorporated areas (82%) of Jefferson County. However, the support for cooperative agreements to develop and maintain parks and recreation facilities is not as strong among residents of mid-size (71%) and small (74%) incorporated communities.



# Summary of Findings (con't)

➤ **Overall Level of Support Among Communities in Jefferson County for Cooperative Efforts to Provide Services on a Regional Basis**

As shown below, residents in the City of Birmingham have the highest level of support for their government cooperating with other governments in the region to provide services (average level of support for five services=90%). Residents in the mid-size incorporated areas of the county have the lowest level of support for their local governments cooperating regionally to provide services (average level of support for five services=74%).

SERVICE	BIRMINGHAM CITY		MID-SIZE CITIES/TOWNS		SMALL CITIES/TOWNS		UNINCORPORATED AREAS		TOTAL COUNTY	
	Satisfied With Service	Support Co-operation	Satisfied With Service	Support Co-operation	Satisfied With Service	Support Co-operation	Satisfied With Service	Support Co-operation	Satisfied With Service	Support Co-operation
Police Protection	84%	89%	89%	64%	96%	83%	83%	79%	88%	78%
Street and Road Maintenance	54%	90%	62%	75%	72%	87%	51%	78%	60%	83%
Public Transportation	49%	87%	45%	82%	32%	86%	23%	70%	40%	83%
Fire Protection	98%	91%	98%	76%	96%	74%	89%	85%	96%	82%
Quality of Parks and Recreation Facilities	77%	91%	75%	71%	89%	74%	61%	82%	77%	80%
<b>AVERAGE</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>81%</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>79%</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>81%</b>





# Summary of Findings (con't)

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## ➤ Other Services Evaluated by County Residents

- **Cultural Arts Available Locally** – Only about six out of ten (64%) county residents indicated they are satisfied with cultural arts available locally. Residents of the City of Birmingham (73% satisfied) and residents of mid-size incorporated areas (72% satisfied) recorded the highest level of satisfaction for this service.
- **Local Trash Pick-up Service** – Overall, eight out of ten (82%) county residents are satisfied with their trash pick-up service. Residents of unincorporated areas were least likely to be satisfied (63%) with their trash pick-up service.
- **Local Schools** – Just two-thirds (66%) of the county's residents are satisfied with their local schools. The two areas with the highest level of satisfaction with their local schools are mid-size (76%) and small (69%) incorporated areas while residents of the City of Birmingham recorded the lowest (54%) level of satisfaction with their local schools.

## ➤ Residents' Level of Satisfaction with their Local Government

Approximately two-thirds (67%) of the county's residents are satisfied with their local government. Only two geographical areas studied recorded satisfaction levels in the eighty percent range: mid-size incorporated areas (85%) and small incorporated areas (80%). Just 51% of Birmingham City residents reported being satisfied with their local government. The level of satisfaction with their local government was lowest (45%) among residents living in unincorporated parts of Jefferson County.



# Summary of Findings (con't)

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➤ **Perceived Efficiency of Local Governments Providing Services to Residents Based on the Fees and Taxes They Pay**

Residents of mid-size (76%) and residents of small (72%) incorporated areas of Jefferson County are more apt to feel their local governments are providing services to them efficiently\* when compared to residents of the City of Birmingham (63%) and residents of unincorporated areas (55%).

➤ **Other Areas where Residents of Jefferson County Support their Local Government Cooperating with Other Governments in the Region**

- **Support for a Cooperative Regional Economic Development Effort** – There is strong (84%), though not overwhelming, support among county residents for their local government to cooperate with other regional governments when it comes to promoting economic development. Residents in the City of Birmingham were more likely (94%) to support regional cooperation for economic development than were residents in other areas of the county.
- **Support for a Cooperative Legislative Effort that Benefits the Greater Jefferson County Region** – Similar to the economic development issue, there is strong (85%) support among county residents for their local governments to cooperate with other governments in the region to support legislation that benefits the Greater Jefferson County region.

\* Efficiency percentages include very and somewhat efficient combined.



# Summary of Findings (con't)

➤ **Is there strong support among county residents for their local government to provide services cooperatively with other governments when it's more efficient?**

Eight out of ten (81%) of the county's residents favor cooperation with other regional governments to provide services when it's deemed more efficient to do so. While using efficiency as a basis for cooperative efforts is strong among residents of Birmingham City (93%), this motive is not as strong among residents of both mid-size (72%) and small (77%) incorporated areas.

➤ **Residents' Opinions of Birmingham City and Jefferson County Governments**

The tables below summarizes the opinions of county residents toward Birmingham City and Jefferson County governments.

SERVICE	BIRMINGHAM CITY RESIDENTS		RESIDENTS OF MID-SIZE CITIES/TOWNS		RESIDENTS OF SMALL CITIES/TOWNS		RESIDENTS OF UNINCORPORATED AREAS		TOTAL COUNTY RESIDENTS	
	Very/ Somewhat Favorable	Very/ Somewhat Unfavorable	Very/ Somewhat Favorable	Very/ Somewhat Unfavorable	Very/ Somewhat Favorable	Very/ Somewhat Unfavorable	Very/ Somewhat Favorable	Very/ Somewhat Unfavorable	Very/ Somewhat Favorable	Very/ Somewhat Unfavorable
Birmingham City Government	63%	37%	45%	51%	50%	48%	38%	57%	51%	47%
Jefferson County Government	64%	35%	60%	37%	62%	36%	47%	52%	60%	38%



# Summary of Findings (con't)

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- Residents of the City of Birmingham have a moderately favorable opinion of both their own city government (63%) and of the Jefferson County government (64%).
- Residents of the mid-size and small incorporated areas have a moderately favorable opinion of Jefferson County's government (60-62%) but a less favorable opinion (45-50%) of the Birmingham City Government.
- Residents of the county's unincorporated areas do not have a strong favorable opinion of either of the two governments.

➤ **Importance of Amenities in the City of Birmingham to County Residents**

Residents of Jefferson County were asked to indicate the importance of selected amenities in the City of Birmingham to members of their household. These amenities included the Birmingham Zoo, the Museum of Art and Railroad Park. While the importance of these amenities were relatively strong among residents of the City of Birmingham, they were less important among residents in other parts of the county:

Area	Very or Somewhat Important
City of Birmingham	93%
Mid-size Incorporated Areas	75%
Small Incorporated Areas	71%
Unincorporated Areas	76%





# Summary of Findings (con't)

➤ **Opinion Concerning Whether Jefferson County’s Manager of Government Operations Should be Appointed by the County Commission or Elected by Voters**

The preference for Jefferson County’s manager to be elected by voters versus appointed by the County Commission is overwhelming among the major voter groups studied in this report.

Area	Prefer Election by Voters
City of Birmingham	88%
Mid-size Incorporated Areas	79%
Small Incorporated Areas	81%
Unincorporated Areas	88%

➤ **Would residents of Jefferson County support or oppose a merger between their city/town and Jefferson County as a way to provide services to residents on a regional basis?**

Area	Would Support	Would Oppose
City of Birmingham	64%	34%
Mid-size Incorporated Areas	26%	70%
Small Incorporated Areas	40%	57%
Unincorporated Areas	39%	50%



## Tabular Data

**Table 1**  
**Generally speaking, would you say that things in Jefferson County are moving in the right direction and getting better or on the wrong track and getting worse?**

	JEFFERSON COUNTY			TOTAL		
	Right direction	Wrong track	Not sure			
<b>GENDER</b>	Male	48.0%	38.8%	13.2%	176	44.1%
	Female	58.1%	30.6%	11.3%	224	55.9%
<b>RACE</b>	White	47.2%	43.2%	9.6%	213	53.2%
	Black	65.4%	20.0%	14.5%	160	40.0%
	Other	21.3%	54.2%	24.5%	16	4.0%
	NA	53.6%	37.3%	9.1%	11	2.8%
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>	Own	52.4%	34.5%	13.1%	337	84.2%
	Rent	52.9%	37.7%	9.4%	48	12.0%
	NA	83.1%	16.9%	.0%	15	3.7%
<b>EDUCATION</b>	Graduated high school or less	47.8%	30.8%	21.4%	84	21.0%
	Some college/ technical degree	55.2%	34.2%	10.6%	100	24.9%
	Graduated college	53.5%	37.1%	9.4%	133	33.3%
	Post graduate degree	57.1%	33.1%	9.8%	76	19.0%
	NA	65.7%	34.3%	.0%	7	1.8%
<b>INCOME</b>	Less than \$25,000	69.9%	26.4%	3.6%	38	9.4%
	\$25,000-\$50,000	54.9%	34.6%	10.4%	76	19.0%
	\$50,000-\$75,000	49.5%	38.6%	11.9%	77	19.3%
	\$75,000-\$100,000	47.4%	36.7%	15.9%	51	12.6%
	More than \$100,000	54.0%	38.5%	7.5%	77	19.2%
	NA	52.2%	27.8%	19.9%	82	20.5%
<b>REGION</b>	Birmingham City	56.4%	34.7%	9.0%	124	31.0%
	Mid-size city/town	53.9%	36.6%	9.5%	124	31.0%
	Small city/town	54.7%	26.6%	18.7%	91	22.8%
	Unincorporated	45.8%	40.0%	14.2%	61	15.2%
<b>AGE</b>	18-34	48.4%	44.0%	7.6%	46	11.5%
	35-49	53.8%	39.0%	7.2%	76	19.0%
	50-64	48.0%	37.4%	14.5%	132	33.0%
	65 and above	60.5%	26.4%	13.1%	133	33.3%
	NA	57.0%	19.6%	23.5%	13	3.2%
	Total	53.6%	34.2%	12.1%	400	100.0%

**Table 2**  
**Would you say that things in your local community are moving in the right direction and getting better or on the wrong track and getting worse?**

	LOCAL COMMUNITY			TOTAL		
	Right direction	Wrong track	Not sure			
<b>GENDER</b>	Male	78.7%	17.0%	4.3%	176	44.1%
	Female	70.0%	24.5%	5.5%	224	55.9%
<b>RACE</b>	White	74.2%	20.3%	5.4%	213	53.2%
	Black	74.2%	22.3%	3.4%	160	40.0%
	Other	61.2%	21.7%	17.1%	16	4.0%
	NA	79.1%	20.9%	.0%	11	2.8%
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>	Own	76.4%	19.5%	4.1%	337	84.2%
	Rent	57.4%	35.8%	6.8%	48	12.0%
	NA	69.3%	13.5%	17.2%	15	3.7%
<b>EDUCATION</b>	Graduated high school or less	70.7%	23.7%	5.6%	84	21.0%
	Some college/ technical degree	74.5%	20.0%	5.5%	100	24.9%
	Graduated college	74.5%	21.1%	4.4%	133	33.3%
	Post graduate degree	75.5%	21.0%	3.6%	76	19.0%
	NA	72.6%	13.7%	13.7%	7	1.8%
<b>INCOME</b>	Less than \$25,000	59.9%	28.2%	11.9%	38	9.4%
	\$25,000-\$50,000	65.2%	30.4%	4.4%	76	19.0%
	\$50,000-\$75,000	65.6%	29.3%	5.0%	77	19.3%
	\$75,000-\$100,000	80.9%	12.7%	6.4%	51	12.6%
	More than \$100,000	85.5%	11.9%	2.6%	77	19.2%
	NA	80.8%	15.8%	3.5%	82	20.5%
<b>REGION</b>	Birmingham City	65.4%	30.7%	3.9%	124	31.0%
	Mid-size city/town	83.5%	12.9%	3.6%	124	31.0%
	Small city/town	82.8%	11.6%	5.5%	91	22.8%
	Unincorporated	58.0%	33.2%	8.8%	61	15.2%
<b>AGE</b>	18-34	53.1%	46.9%	.0%	46	11.5%
	35-49	77.9%	16.5%	5.5%	76	19.0%
	50-64	74.3%	18.9%	6.8%	132	33.0%
	65 and above	76.5%	18.5%	5.0%	133	33.3%
	NA	92.2%	7.8%	.0%	13	3.2%
	Total	73.9%	21.2%	4.9%	400	100.0%

**Table 3**  
**Would you rate the overall quality of life in the community where you live as excellent, good, just fair or poor?**

	QUALITY OF LIFE				TOTAL		
	Excellent	Good	Just fair	Poor			
<b>GENDER</b>							
	Male	31.7%	54.1%	11.8%	2.4%	176	44.1%
	Female	26.1%	50.8%	17.3%	5.8%	224	55.9%
<b>RACE</b>	White	38.3%	47.4%	12.5%	1.8%	213	53.2%
	Black	17.8%	56.0%	19.7%	6.5%	160	40.0%
	Other	15.9%	67.4%	8.1%	8.6%	16	4.0%
	NA	13.6%	70.0%	.0%	16.4%	11	2.8%
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>	Own	29.5%	53.0%	14.6%	3.0%	337	84.2%
	Rent	22.9%	44.7%	19.3%	13.1%	48	12.0%
	NA	25.4%	61.1%	6.7%	6.7%	15	3.7%
<b>EDUCATION</b>	Graduated high school or less	16.1%	60.0%	19.2%	4.7%	84	21.0%
	Some college/ technical degree	22.3%	59.6%	13.2%	4.9%	100	24.9%
	Graduated college	37.2%	43.5%	14.2%	5.1%	133	33.3%
	Post graduate degree	38.0%	46.2%	14.8%	.9%	76	19.0%
	NA	.0%	86.3%	.0%	13.7%	7	1.8%
<b>INCOME</b>	Less than \$25,000	19.5%	43.6%	29.8%	7.1%	38	9.4%
	\$25,000-\$50,000	18.5%	53.3%	17.2%	11.0%	76	19.0%
	\$50,000-\$75,000	23.9%	60.7%	10.5%	5.0%	77	19.3%
	\$75,000-\$100,000	43.3%	38.4%	18.3%	.0%	51	12.6%
	More than \$100,000	43.3%	46.2%	9.6%	.9%	77	19.2%
	NA	23.4%	61.7%	12.7%	2.2%	82	20.5%
<b>REGION</b>	Birmingham City	10.4%	53.4%	27.0%	9.3%	124	31.0%
	Mid-size city/town	58.7%	33.9%	6.3%	1.1%	124	31.0%
	Small city/town	12.3%	77.2%	9.5%	1.1%	91	22.8%
	Unincorporated	28.5%	50.3%	15.7%	5.6%	61	15.2%
<b>AGE</b>	18-34	12.3%	49.1%	22.7%	15.9%	46	11.5%
	35-49	37.5%	37.9%	18.9%	5.7%	76	19.0%
	50-64	24.1%	61.0%	12.4%	2.5%	132	33.0%
	65 and above	36.2%	49.1%	13.7%	1.1%	133	33.3%
	NA	.0%	92.2%	.0%	7.8%	13	3.2%
	Total	28.5%	52.3%	14.9%	4.3%	400	100.0%

**Table 4**  
**I'm going to read a list of services and activities that some governments provide. As I read the list please indicate whether you are generally satisfied or generally dissatisfied with these services.**  
**Are you generally satisfied or generally dissatisfied with \_\_\_\_\_?**

	LOCAL POLICE PROTECTION				TOTAL
	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Not sure	Not provided	
<b>GENDER</b>					
Male	93.7%	6.1%	.3%	.0%	176
Female	84.0%	15.2%	.6%	.2%	224
<b>RACE</b>					
White	91.4%	7.5%	.9%	.2%	213
Black	84.5%	15.5%	.0%	.0%	160
Other	93.1%	6.9%	.0%	.0%	16
NA	74.5%	25.5%	.0%	.0%	11
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>					
Own	89.9%	9.4%	.5%	.1%	337
Rent	77.4%	22.6%	.0%	.0%	48
NA	86.5%	13.5%	.0%	.0%	15
<b>EDUCATION</b>					
Graduated high school or less	88.5%	10.4%	.5%	.6%	84
Some college/ technical degree	81.7%	17.4%	.9%	.0%	100
Graduated college	92.3%	7.7%	.0%	.0%	133
Post graduate degree	91.1%	8.3%	.7%	.0%	76
NA	72.6%	27.4%	.0%	.0%	7
<b>INCOME</b>					
Less than \$25,000	81.5%	18.5%	.0%	.0%	38
\$25,000-\$50,000	86.6%	13.4%	.0%	.0%	76
\$50,000-\$75,000	80.0%	18.9%	1.2%	.0%	77
\$75,000-\$100,000	92.6%	6.5%	.0%	1.0%	51
More than \$100,000	97.3%	2.7%	.0%	.0%	77
NA	89.6%	9.2%	1.1%	.0%	82
<b>REGION</b>					
Birmingham City	84.1%	15.5%	.4%	.0%	124
Mid-size city/town	88.9%	10.7%	.4%	.0%	124
Small city/town	96.3%	3.1%	.0%	.5%	91
Unincorporated	83.3%	15.2%	1.5%	.0%	61
<b>AGE</b>					
18-34	82.7%	17.3%	.0%	.0%	46
35-49	85.3%	14.7%	.0%	.0%	76
50-64	86.2%	13.1%	.7%	.0%	132
65 and above	95.4%	3.9%	.3%	.4%	133
NA	72.6%	23.5%	3.9%	.0%	13
Total	88.3%	11.2%	.5%	.1%	400

**Table 5**  
**I'm going to read a list of services and activities that some governments provide. As I read the list please indicate whether you are generally satisfied or generally dissatisfied with these services.**  
**Are you generally satisfied or generally dissatisfied with \_\_\_\_\_ ?**

	THE QUALITY OF YOUR LOCAL PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES					TOTAL
	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Not sure	Not provided		
<b>GENDER</b>						
Male	81.4%	13.2%	1.8%	3.6%	176	44.1%
Female	72.9%	22.8%	2.3%	2.1%	224	55.9%
<b>RACE</b>						
White	81.6%	12.0%	1.7%	4.6%	213	53.2%
Black	69.1%	28.6%	2.3%	.0%	160	40.0%
Other	76.6%	10.9%	6.3%	6.3%	16	4.0%
NA	88.2%	11.8%	.0%	.0%	11	2.8%
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>						
Own	76.3%	19.3%	1.4%	2.9%	337	84.2%
Rent	73.7%	19.3%	7.0%	.0%	48	12.0%
NA	93.3%	.0%	.0%	6.7%	15	3.7%
<b>EDUCATION</b>						
Graduated high school or less	82.3%	12.8%	2.2%	2.7%	84	21.0%
Some college/ technical degree	67.4%	24.7%	4.2%	3.8%	100	24.9%
Graduated college	82.7%	14.5%	.0%	2.8%	133	33.3%
Post graduate degree	71.6%	26.1%	2.3%	.0%	76	19.0%
NA	79.4%	.0%	6.9%	13.7%	7	1.8%
<b>INCOME</b>						
Less than \$25,000	78.3%	17.8%	1.3%	2.6%	38	9.4%
\$25,000-\$50,000	70.6%	19.0%	4.5%	5.9%	76	19.0%
\$50,000-\$75,000	66.5%	32.3%	.0%	1.2%	77	19.3%
\$75,000-\$100,000	72.6%	22.6%	3.4%	1.4%	51	12.6%
More than \$100,000	87.1%	10.4%	1.3%	1.2%	77	19.2%
NA	83.6%	10.9%	2.0%	3.5%	82	20.5%
<b>REGION</b>						
Birmingham City	77.0%	20.5%	2.5%	.0%	124	31.0%
Mid-size city/town	75.3%	21.9%	1.7%	1.1%	124	31.0%
Small city/town	88.5%	10.4%	1.1%	.0%	91	22.8%
Unincorporated	60.8%	20.4%	3.3%	15.5%	61	15.2%
<b>AGE</b>						
18-34	72.9%	21.3%	5.8%	.0%	46	11.5%
35-49	81.9%	18.1%	.0%	.0%	76	19.0%
50-64	76.2%	18.2%	1.5%	4.1%	132	33.0%
65 and above	74.9%	19.1%	2.7%	3.3%	133	33.3%
NA	80.4%	11.7%	.0%	7.8%	13	3.2%
Total	76.6%	18.6%	2.1%	2.7%	400	100.0%

**Table 6**  
**I'm going to read a list of services and activities that some governments provide. As I read the list please indicate whether you are generally satisfied or generally dissatisfied with these services.**  
**Are you generally satisfied or generally dissatisfied with \_\_\_\_\_?**

	YOUR LOCAL STREET AND ROAD MAINTENANCE				TOTAL
	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Not sure	Not provided	
<b>GENDER</b>					
Male	62.0%	37.0%	.6%	.4%	176
Female	58.6%	40.1%	.9%	.4%	224
<b>RACE</b>					
White	63.5%	35.2%	.5%	.8%	213
Black	57.1%	42.3%	.6%	.0%	160
Other	31.5%	62.3%	6.3%	.0%	16
NA	79.1%	20.9%	.0%	.0%	11
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>					
Own	61.6%	37.0%	.9%	.5%	337
Rent	44.4%	55.6%	.0%	.0%	48
NA	76.7%	23.3%	.0%	.0%	15
<b>EDUCATION</b>					
Graduated high school or less	58.9%	40.3%	.0%	.8%	84
Some college/ technical degree	47.4%	51.6%	.0%	1.0%	100
Graduated college	64.9%	34.4%	.8%	.0%	133
Post graduate degree	67.4%	29.9%	2.6%	.0%	76
NA	83.7%	16.3%	.0%	.0%	7
<b>INCOME</b>					
Less than \$25,000	61.3%	38.7%	.0%	.0%	38
\$25,000-\$50,000	47.2%	51.5%	.0%	1.3%	76
\$50,000-\$75,000	53.1%	46.9%	.0%	.0%	77
\$75,000-\$100,000	50.4%	48.1%	.0%	1.4%	51
More than \$100,000	75.7%	20.4%	3.9%	.0%	77
NA	69.4%	30.6%	.0%	.0%	82
<b>REGION</b>					
Birmingham City	54.1%	45.9%	.0%	.0%	124
Mid-size city/town	61.9%	35.9%	1.6%	.6%	124
Small city/town	71.6%	28.4%	.0%	.0%	91
Unincorporated	51.4%	45.3%	1.6%	1.6%	61
<b>AGE</b>					
18-34	43.3%	54.5%	2.2%	.0%	46
35-49	60.6%	38.1%	1.3%	.0%	76
50-64	61.2%	38.0%	.8%	.0%	132
65 and above	64.2%	34.5%	.0%	1.3%	133
NA	63.3%	36.7%	.0%	.0%	13
Total	60.1%	38.7%	.8%	.4%	400



**Table 7**  
**I'm going to read a list of services and activities that some governments provide. As I read the list please indicate whether you are generally satisfied or generally dissatisfied with these services.**  
**Are you generally satisfied or generally dissatisfied with \_\_\_\_\_?**

	THE CULTURAL ARTS AVAILABLE LOCALLY				TOTAL
	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Not sure	Not provided	
<b>GENDER</b>					
Male	63.1%	20.7%	9.5%	6.8%	176
Female	64.8%	24.6%	5.9%	4.6%	224
<b>RACE</b>					
White	64.7%	19.3%	6.8%	9.2%	213
Black	64.7%	24.9%	9.4%	1.1%	160
Other	47.0%	46.8%	.0%	6.3%	16
NA	68.2%	27.3%	4.5%	.0%	11
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>					
Own	64.6%	22.8%	6.8%	5.8%	337
Rent	64.9%	24.0%	9.4%	1.7%	48
NA	49.0%	20.2%	17.2%	13.5%	15
<b>EDUCATION</b>					
Graduated high school or less	55.4%	20.8%	16.6%	7.3%	84
Some college/ technical degree	64.1%	17.9%	8.6%	9.4%	100
Graduated college	68.3%	26.0%	3.4%	2.3%	133
Post graduate degree	67.5%	25.6%	3.3%	3.6%	76
NA	52.0%	27.4%	6.9%	13.7%	7
<b>INCOME</b>					
Less than \$25,000	67.9%	19.1%	9.4%	3.5%	38
\$25,000-\$50,000	52.2%	30.2%	9.3%	8.4%	76
\$50,000-\$75,000	70.1%	26.8%	1.8%	1.3%	77
\$75,000-\$100,000	69.9%	18.1%	6.9%	5.1%	51
More than \$100,000	74.2%	21.1%	.9%	3.8%	77
NA	54.7%	18.5%	16.9%	9.9%	82
<b>REGION</b>					
Birmingham City	73.1%	21.4%	5.2%	.4%	124
Mid-size city/town	71.6%	21.5%	4.4%	2.5%	124
Small city/town	60.5%	18.9%	13.2%	7.5%	91
Unincorporated	35.9%	34.4%	10.1%	19.6%	61
<b>AGE</b>					
18-34	68.2%	22.0%	5.8%	4.0%	46
35-49	67.7%	24.7%	4.5%	3.2%	76
50-64	62.0%	23.0%	10.3%	4.7%	132
65 and above	63.4%	21.2%	7.4%	8.1%	133
NA	57.0%	31.3%	3.9%	7.8%	13
Total	64.1%	22.8%	7.5%	5.6%	400

**Table 8**  
**I'm going to read a list of services and activities that some governments provide. As I read the list please indicate whether you are generally satisfied or generally dissatisfied with these services. Are you generally satisfied or generally dissatisfied with \_\_\_\_\_?**

	THE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICE TO YOUR COMMUNITY				TOTAL
	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Not sure	Not provided	
<b>GENDER</b>					
Male	37.8%	31.8%	10.4%	20.0%	176
Female	41.3%	32.7%	11.1%	14.9%	224
<b>RACE</b>					
White	30.0%	32.9%	13.4%	23.8%	213
Black	55.5%	30.9%	7.6%	6.0%	160
Other	29.3%	33.7%	7.4%	29.5%	16
NA	16.4%	39.1%	11.8%	32.7%	11
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>					
Own	40.0%	31.3%	11.0%	17.8%	337
Rent	41.0%	43.0%	12.7%	3.2%	48
NA	31.5%	20.2%	.0%	48.3%	15
<b>EDUCATION</b>					
Graduated high school or less	46.8%	26.6%	11.7%	14.9%	84
Some college/ technical degree	39.8%	28.8%	10.7%	20.6%	100
Graduated college	40.5%	30.3%	13.7%	15.5%	133
Post graduate degree	34.2%	46.9%	5.2%	13.7%	76
NA	2.6%	27.4%	6.9%	63.1%	7
<b>INCOME</b>					
Less than \$25,000	45.6%	37.4%	7.6%	9.4%	38
\$25,000-\$50,000	34.2%	42.9%	10.3%	12.6%	76
\$50,000-\$75,000	36.7%	29.8%	13.2%	20.4%	77
\$75,000-\$100,000	36.7%	34.0%	12.4%	17.0%	51
More than \$100,000	48.7%	24.8%	9.5%	17.0%	77
NA	38.7%	28.4%	10.8%	22.2%	82
<b>REGION</b>					
Birmingham City	48.5%	36.0%	10.5%	5.1%	124
Mid-size city/town	44.8%	25.6%	16.9%	12.7%	124
Small city/town	32.2%	33.8%	5.9%	28.2%	91
Unincorporated	23.2%	36.0%	6.4%	34.4%	61
<b>AGE</b>					
18-34	52.4%	38.3%	5.8%	3.6%	46
35-49	43.7%	39.2%	8.8%	8.3%	76
50-64	37.5%	30.8%	12.1%	19.6%	132
65 and above	38.4%	26.7%	13.0%	21.9%	133
NA	9.3%	43.0%	3.9%	43.8%	13
Total	39.8%	32.3%	10.8%	17.2%	400

**Table 9**  
**I'm going to read a list of services and activities that some governments provide. As I read the list please indicate whether you are generally satisfied or generally dissatisfied with these services. Are you generally satisfied or generally dissatisfied with \_\_\_\_\_?**

	YOUR LOCAL TRASH PICK-UP SERVICE				TOTAL
	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Not sure	Not provided	
<b>GENDER</b>					
Male	85.4%	7.5%	1.1%	6.0%	176
Female	79.3%	13.8%	1.0%	5.9%	224
<b>RACE</b>					
White	79.8%	9.9%	2.0%	8.3%	213
Black	86.7%	12.3%	.0%	1.0%	160
Other	62.9%	16.1%	.0%	21.0%	16
NA	83.6%	7.3%	.0%	9.1%	11
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>					
Own	81.3%	12.2%	.7%	5.8%	337
Rent	86.8%	6.3%	4.1%	2.8%	48
NA	81.7%	.0%	.0%	18.3%	15
<b>EDUCATION</b>					
Graduated high school or less	84.2%	9.4%	.8%	5.6%	84
Some college/ technical degree	80.1%	10.5%	2.9%	6.5%	100
Graduated college	81.8%	14.0%	.5%	3.6%	133
Post graduate degree	83.1%	9.5%	.0%	7.4%	76
NA	72.6%	.0%	.0%	27.4%	7
<b>INCOME</b>					
Less than \$25,000	84.3%	10.4%	.0%	5.3%	38
\$25,000-\$50,000	75.7%	17.7%	.0%	6.6%	76
\$50,000-\$75,000	85.0%	10.5%	2.6%	1.8%	77
\$75,000-\$100,000	86.2%	3.5%	1.4%	8.9%	51
More than \$100,000	79.5%	12.9%	2.0%	5.6%	77
NA	83.5%	8.5%	.0%	7.9%	82
<b>REGION</b>					
Birmingham City	85.1%	12.2%	.4%	2.3%	124
Mid-size city/town	84.2%	12.2%	1.7%	1.9%	124
Small city/town	87.8%	6.7%	.9%	4.6%	91
Unincorporated	62.5%	12.8%	1.5%	23.3%	61
<b>AGE</b>					
18-34	78.3%	19.9%	1.8%	.0%	46
35-49	89.8%	8.9%	.0%	1.3%	76
50-64	80.0%	8.3%	.7%	10.9%	132
65 and above	80.5%	12.9%	1.9%	4.7%	133
NA	84.4%	.0%	.0%	15.6%	13
Total	82.0%	11.0%	1.1%	5.9%	400

**Table 10**  
**I'm going to read a list of services and activities that some governments provide. As I read the list please indicate whether you are generally satisfied or generally dissatisfied with these services. Are you generally satisfied or generally dissatisfied with \_\_\_\_\_?**

	YOUR LOCAL FIRE PROTECTION				TOTAL
	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Not sure	Not provided	
<b>GENDER</b>					
Male	94.6%	2.9%	1.3%	1.2%	176
Female	97.2%	1.5%	.4%	.8%	224
<b>RACE</b>					
White	94.9%	1.7%	1.5%	1.8%	213
Black	97.9%	2.1%	.0%	.0%	160
Other	90.2%	9.8%	.0%	.0%	16
NA	100.0%	.0%	.0%	.0%	11
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>					
Own	95.7%	2.2%	1.0%	1.2%	337
Rent	97.5%	2.5%	.0%	.0%	48
NA	100.0%	.0%	.0%	.0%	15
<b>EDUCATION</b>					
Graduated high school or less	92.6%	6.4%	.0%	1.0%	84
Some college/ technical degree	96.8%	.5%	1.8%	.9%	100
Graduated college	98.7%	1.3%	.0%	.0%	133
Post graduate degree	93.8%	1.4%	2.0%	2.8%	76
NA	100.0%	.0%	.0%	.0%	7
<b>INCOME</b>					
Less than \$25,000	100.0%	.0%	.0%	.0%	38
\$25,000-\$50,000	94.2%	3.5%	.0%	2.3%	76
\$50,000-\$75,000	96.7%	3.3%	.0%	.0%	77
\$75,000-\$100,000	91.0%	3.0%	1.8%	4.3%	51
More than \$100,000	96.4%	1.1%	2.5%	.0%	77
NA	98.2%	1.2%	.6%	.0%	82
<b>REGION</b>					
Birmingham City	98.0%	2.0%	.0%	.0%	124
Mid-size city/town	97.8%	.0%	1.2%	1.0%	124
Small city/town	95.9%	3.1%	.0%	.9%	91
Unincorporated	88.8%	5.4%	2.9%	2.9%	61
<b>AGE</b>					
18-34	100.0%	.0%	.0%	.0%	46
35-49	94.6%	4.1%	1.3%	.0%	76
50-64	92.8%	2.9%	1.3%	2.9%	132
65 and above	98.7%	1.3%	.0%	.0%	133
NA	96.1%	.0%	3.9%	.0%	13
Total	96.1%	2.1%	.8%	1.0%	400

**Table 11**  
**I'm going to read a list of services and activities that some governments provide. As I read the list please indicate whether you are generally satisfied or generally dissatisfied with these services. Are you generally satisfied or generally dissatisfied with \_\_\_\_\_?**

	YOUR LOCAL SCHOOLS			TOTAL		
	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Not sure		Not provided	
<b>GENDER</b>						
Male	68.1%	25.1%	5.7%	1.1%	176	44.1%
Female	64.7%	28.2%	6.4%	.8%	224	55.9%
<b>RACE</b>						
White	68.6%	22.4%	7.8%	1.2%	213	53.2%
Black	63.7%	33.2%	2.5%	.6%	160	40.0%
Other	46.3%	30.3%	23.4%	.0%	16	4.0%
NA	83.6%	16.4%	.0%	.0%	11	2.8%
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>						
Own	69.4%	23.9%	5.6%	1.1%	337	84.2%
Rent	41.9%	52.1%	5.9%	.0%	48	12.0%
NA	71.2%	11.6%	17.2%	.0%	15	3.7%
<b>EDUCATION</b>						
Graduated high school or less	71.6%	20.8%	6.8%	.8%	84	21.0%
Some college/ technical degree	67.5%	24.2%	7.3%	1.0%	100	24.9%
Graduated college	62.6%	30.0%	6.6%	.8%	133	33.3%
Post graduate degree	63.4%	32.1%	3.4%	1.2%	76	19.0%
NA	79.4%	20.6%	.0%	.0%	7	1.8%
<b>INCOME</b>						
Less than \$25,000	68.9%	24.1%	6.9%	.0%	38	9.4%
\$25,000-\$50,000	58.9%	34.4%	4.4%	2.3%	76	19.0%
\$50,000-\$75,000	68.0%	27.2%	3.5%	1.3%	77	19.3%
\$75,000-\$100,000	60.3%	32.0%	5.9%	1.8%	51	12.6%
More than \$100,000	73.2%	21.8%	5.0%	.0%	77	19.2%
NA	67.0%	22.3%	10.7%	.0%	82	20.5%
<b>REGION</b>						
Birmingham City	54.4%	41.1%	4.5%	.0%	124	31.0%
Mid-size city/town	76.1%	18.4%	5.0%	.6%	124	31.0%
Small city/town	68.9%	23.7%	6.3%	1.1%	91	22.8%
Unincorporated	66.2%	19.6%	11.1%	3.1%	61	15.2%
<b>AGE</b>						
18-34	52.7%	47.3%	.0%	.0%	46	11.5%
35-49	55.4%	37.6%	7.0%	.0%	76	19.0%
50-64	72.5%	20.8%	6.0%	.7%	132	33.0%
65 and above	70.6%	21.4%	7.5%	.5%	133	33.3%
NA	68.7%	7.8%	7.8%	15.6%	13	3.2%
Total	66.2%	26.8%	6.1%	.9%	400	100.0%

**Table 12**  
**I'm going to read a list of services and activities that some governments provide. As I read the list please indicate whether you are generally satisfied or generally dissatisfied with these services. Are you generally satisfied or generally dissatisfied with \_\_\_\_\_?**

	YOUR LOCAL GOVERNMENT				TOTAL
	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Not sure	Not provided	
<b>GENDER</b>					
Male	66.8%	25.9%	5.2%	2.1%	176
Female	67.3%	29.7%	1.2%	1.7%	224
<b>RACE</b>					
White	69.3%	25.4%	2.2%	3.1%	213
Black	65.3%	31.2%	3.5%	.0%	160
Other	55.4%	34.9%	9.7%	.0%	16
NA	67.3%	23.6%	.0%	9.1%	11
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>					
Own	69.7%	26.7%	1.9%	1.7%	337
Rent	44.7%	44.1%	11.2%	.0%	48
NA	79.8%	6.7%	.0%	13.5%	15
<b>EDUCATION</b>					
Graduated high school or less	66.1%	24.8%	6.8%	2.4%	84
Some college/ technical degree	67.5%	27.9%	2.7%	1.9%	100
Graduated college	64.7%	33.5%	.4%	1.3%	133
Post graduate degree	71.2%	23.6%	3.8%	1.3%	76
NA	72.6%	13.7%	.0%	13.7%	7
<b>INCOME</b>					
Less than \$25,000	56.4%	38.6%	5.0%	.0%	38
\$25,000-\$50,000	51.9%	43.4%	.9%	3.8%	76
\$50,000-\$75,000	64.5%	30.5%	3.9%	1.2%	77
\$75,000-\$100,000	70.4%	24.1%	5.5%	.0%	51
More than \$100,000	80.3%	16.0%	3.7%	.0%	77
NA	74.1%	20.4%	.8%	4.7%	82
<b>REGION</b>					
Birmingham City	51.1%	44.7%	4.2%	.0%	124
Mid-size city/town	84.6%	13.7%	1.7%	.0%	124
Small city/town	79.7%	19.4%	.9%	.0%	91
Unincorporated	45.0%	36.3%	6.2%	12.6%	61
<b>AGE</b>					
18-34	39.7%	50.5%	7.6%	2.2%	46
35-49	58.2%	37.5%	4.3%	.0%	76
50-64	76.5%	18.6%	2.9%	2.0%	132
65 and above	73.2%	24.3%	1.0%	1.5%	133
NA	57.0%	27.4%	.0%	15.6%	13
Total	67.1%	28.0%	3.0%	1.9%	400

**Table 13**  
**Thinking about these same services and the amount you pay for them in fees and taxes, would you say your local government is providing these services to you very efficiently, somewhat efficiently, somewhat inefficiently, or very inefficiently?**

	SERVICES				TOTAL	
	Very efficiently	Somewhat efficiently	Somewhat inefficiently	Very inefficiently		Not sure
<b>GENDER</b>						
Male	22.8%	49.5%	15.0%	10.8%	2.0%	176
Female	23.0%	41.3%	21.4%	12.7%	1.7%	224
<b>RACE</b>						
White	31.0%	44.4%	11.5%	11.0%	2.2%	213
Black	14.7%	44.6%	26.9%	12.8%	1.0%	160
Other	5.7%	40.6%	42.8%	10.9%	.0%	16
NA	9.1%	65.5%	.0%	16.4%	9.1%	11
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>						
Own	25.1%	42.8%	18.1%	12.2%	1.8%	337
Rent	9.3%	51.8%	27.8%	11.1%	.0%	48
NA	16.9%	69.6%	.0%	6.7%	6.7%	15
<b>EDUCATION</b>						
Graduated high school or less	11.2%	53.4%	19.1%	14.8%	1.4%	84
Some college/ technical degree	16.9%	51.3%	18.7%	11.2%	1.9%	100
Graduated college	31.2%	37.8%	22.5%	7.9%	.5%	133
Post graduate degree	30.5%	37.5%	12.7%	16.1%	3.2%	76
NA	6.9%	65.7%	.0%	13.7%	13.7%	7
<b>INCOME</b>						
Less than \$25,000	12.4%	51.3%	24.3%	12.1%	.0%	38
\$25,000-\$50,000	18.0%	41.3%	18.2%	20.3%	2.3%	76
\$50,000-\$75,000	15.1%	50.7%	26.3%	7.9%	.0%	77
\$75,000-\$100,000	35.5%	40.3%	15.9%	5.5%	2.7%	51
More than \$100,000	41.2%	42.3%	8.4%	5.1%	3.1%	77
NA	14.6%	45.2%	20.2%	17.9%	2.1%	82
<b>REGION</b>						
Birmingham City	10.8%	52.2%	23.4%	12.3%	1.3%	124
Mid-size city/town	38.2%	37.8%	19.7%	3.2%	1.1%	124
Small city/town	23.2%	48.4%	10.6%	15.2%	2.6%	91
Unincorporated	15.9%	39.4%	18.3%	23.3%	3.1%	61
<b>AGE</b>						
18-34	24.9%	34.6%	21.0%	19.5%	.0%	46
35-49	18.9%	55.2%	16.0%	10.0%	.0%	76
50-64	19.9%	42.0%	20.5%	15.2%	2.5%	132
65 and above	28.8%	44.8%	18.4%	6.5%	1.4%	133
NA	7.8%	53.1%	7.8%	15.6%	15.6%	13
Total	22.9%	44.9%	18.6%	11.8%	1.8%	400

**Table 14**  
**These next few questions are concerned with your opinion of cities and towns in the Jefferson County region cooperating to jointly provide services for their communities. Would you support or oppose your local government working cooperatively with other governments in your region to promote economic development for the entire region?**

	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT			TOTAL		
	Support	Oppose	Not sure			
<b>GENDER</b>	Male	80.6%	12.1%	7.3%	176	44.1%
	Female	87.4%	11.1%	1.5%	224	55.9%
<b>RACE</b>	White	85.7%	11.3%	3.1%	213	53.2%
	Black	84.6%	9.3%	6.1%	160	40.0%
	Other	77.8%	22.2%	.0%	16	4.0%
	NA	68.2%	31.8%	.0%	11	2.8%
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>	Own	84.1%	11.3%	4.6%	337	84.2%
	Rent	88.6%	10.0%	1.5%	48	12.0%
	NA	79.8%	20.2%	.0%	15	3.7%
<b>EDUCATION</b>	Graduated high school or less	75.6%	9.8%	14.7%	84	21.0%
	Some college/ technical degree	87.8%	10.5%	1.7%	100	24.9%
	Graduated college	87.5%	11.2%	1.3%	133	33.3%
	Post graduate degree	87.6%	12.4%	.0%	76	19.0%
	NA	52.0%	41.2%	6.9%	7	1.8%
<b>INCOME</b>	Less than \$25,000	85.4%	14.6%	.0%	38	9.4%
	\$25,000-\$50,000	89.0%	10.0%	.9%	76	19.0%
	\$50,000-\$75,000	92.9%	4.9%	2.2%	77	19.3%
	\$75,000-\$100,000	85.5%	11.2%	3.4%	51	12.6%
	More than \$100,000	84.3%	14.8%	.9%	77	19.2%
	NA	71.3%	14.8%	13.9%	82	20.5%
<b>REGION</b>	Birmingham City	93.9%	5.8%	.4%	124	31.0%
	Mid-size city/town	80.1%	15.4%	4.5%	124	31.0%
	Small city/town	79.3%	9.4%	11.3%	91	22.8%
	Unincorporated	81.7%	18.3%	.0%	61	15.2%
<b>AGE</b>	18-34	94.2%	5.8%	.0%	46	11.5%
	35-49	82.5%	14.9%	2.6%	76	19.0%
	50-64	85.6%	8.3%	6.1%	132	33.0%
	65 and above	82.5%	12.8%	4.7%	133	33.3%
	NA	68.7%	31.3%	.0%	13	3.2%
	Total	84.4%	11.5%	4.1%	400	100.0%



**Table 15**  
**Would you support or oppose your local government working cooperatively with other governments in your region to insure that the county's representatives in Montgomery are supporting legislation that benefits the greater Jefferson County region?**

	LEGISLATION			TOTAL		
	Support	Oppose	Not sure			
<b>GENDER</b>	Male	83.4%	15.0%	1.6%	176	44.1%
	Female	87.0%	7.8%	5.1%	224	55.9%
<b>RACE</b>	White	84.2%	12.2%	3.6%	213	53.2%
	Black	87.4%	9.0%	3.5%	160	40.0%
	Other	86.9%	13.1%	.0%	16	4.0%
	NA	79.1%	13.6%	7.3%	11	2.8%
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>	Own	85.3%	11.7%	3.0%	337	84.2%
	Rent	87.4%	3.9%	8.7%	48	12.0%
	NA	81.7%	18.3%	.0%	15	3.7%
<b>EDUCATION</b>	Graduated high school or less	79.3%	14.2%	6.5%	84	21.0%
	Some college/ technical degree	89.3%	7.8%	2.9%	100	24.9%
	Graduated college	85.9%	10.1%	4.0%	133	33.3%
	Post graduate degree	88.2%	11.8%	.0%	76	19.0%
	NA	65.7%	27.4%	6.9%	7	1.8%
<b>INCOME</b>	Less than \$25,000	84.6%	14.0%	1.3%	38	9.4%
	\$25,000-\$50,000	88.9%	8.0%	3.0%	76	19.0%
	\$50,000-\$75,000	88.8%	10.3%	.9%	77	19.3%
	\$75,000-\$100,000	90.1%	7.9%	2.0%	51	12.6%
	More than \$100,000	81.7%	15.7%	2.6%	77	19.2%
	NA	80.1%	10.4%	9.5%	82	20.5%
<b>REGION</b>	Birmingham City	88.9%	6.4%	4.8%	124	31.0%
	Mid-size city/town	82.2%	13.9%	3.9%	124	31.0%
	Small city/town	90.5%	6.7%	2.7%	91	22.8%
	Unincorporated	77.4%	21.0%	1.6%	61	15.2%
<b>AGE</b>	18-34	92.1%	7.9%	.0%	46	11.5%
	35-49	76.4%	17.5%	6.1%	76	19.0%
	50-64	89.8%	8.5%	1.7%	132	33.0%
	65 and above	84.8%	10.4%	4.8%	133	33.3%
	NA	76.5%	15.6%	7.8%	13	3.2%
	Total	85.4%	11.0%	3.6%	400	100.0%

**Table 16**  
**Would you support or oppose your local government working cooperatively with all other governments in your region to provide public transportation for all communities in your region?**

	PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION			TOTAL		
	Support	Oppose	Not sure			
<b>GENDER</b>	Male	77.8%	20.2%	2.0%	176	44.1%
	Female	86.2%	10.9%	2.9%	224	55.9%
<b>RACE</b>	White	79.2%	18.7%	2.1%	213	53.2%
	Black	89.9%	7.8%	2.3%	160	40.0%
	Other	70.8%	26.9%	2.3%	16	4.0%
	NA	55.5%	30.0%	14.5%	11	2.8%
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>	Own	82.8%	14.9%	2.3%	337	84.2%
	Rent	82.4%	14.4%	3.3%	48	12.0%
	NA	75.7%	18.9%	5.4%	15	3.7%
<b>EDUCATION</b>	Graduated high school or less	75.9%	19.9%	4.2%	84	21.0%
	Some college/ technical degree	86.7%	12.6%	.7%	100	24.9%
	Graduated college	86.9%	12.2%	.9%	133	33.3%
	Post graduate degree	80.5%	15.2%	4.3%	76	19.0%
	NA	43.7%	38.4%	17.8%	7	1.8%
<b>INCOME</b>	Less than \$25,000	89.9%	10.1%	.0%	38	9.4%
	\$25,000-\$50,000	78.1%	19.8%	2.1%	76	19.0%
	\$50,000-\$75,000	90.4%	9.6%	.0%	77	19.3%
	\$75,000-\$100,000	84.2%	12.6%	3.2%	51	12.6%
	More than \$100,000	81.5%	18.5%	.0%	77	19.2%
	NA	75.6%	15.9%	8.4%	82	20.5%
<b>REGION</b>	Birmingham City	87.3%	8.1%	4.6%	124	31.0%
	Mid-size city/town	81.5%	16.5%	2.0%	124	31.0%
	Small city/town	85.6%	13.3%	1.1%	91	22.8%
	Unincorporated	70.1%	28.4%	1.5%	61	15.2%
<b>AGE</b>	18-34	92.4%	5.8%	1.7%	46	11.5%
	35-49	77.2%	19.8%	3.0%	76	19.0%
	50-64	86.4%	13.0%	.7%	132	33.0%
	65 and above	80.0%	16.0%	4.0%	133	33.3%
	NA	64.0%	29.7%	6.3%	13	3.2%
	Total	82.5%	15.0%	2.5%	400	100.0%

**Table 17**  
**Would you support or oppose your local government working cooperatively with other governments in your region to perform street and road maintenance for all communities in the region?**

	STREET AND ROAD MAINTENANCE			TOTAL		
	Support	Oppose	Not sure			
<b>GENDER</b>	Male	78.2%	20.2%	1.6%	176	44.1%
	Female	86.2%	12.4%	1.3%	224	55.9%
<b>RACE</b>	White	76.5%	20.8%	2.7%	213	53.2%
	Black	91.8%	8.2%	.0%	160	40.0%
	Other	80.6%	19.4%	.0%	16	4.0%
	NA	74.5%	25.5%	.0%	11	2.8%
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>	Own	82.1%	16.1%	1.7%	337	84.2%
	Rent	87.1%	12.9%	.0%	48	12.0%
	NA	81.1%	18.9%	.0%	15	3.7%
<b>EDUCATION</b>	Graduated high school or less	84.6%	13.1%	2.2%	84	21.0%
	Some college/ technical degree	84.3%	14.8%	.9%	100	24.9%
	Graduated college	87.0%	12.6%	.4%	133	33.3%
	Post graduate degree	73.7%	23.1%	3.3%	76	19.0%
	NA	54.7%	45.3%	.0%	7	1.8%
<b>INCOME</b>	Less than \$25,000	93.0%	7.0%	.0%	38	9.4%
	\$25,000-\$50,000	79.5%	18.9%	1.6%	76	19.0%
	\$50,000-\$75,000	91.3%	8.0%	.6%	77	19.3%
	\$75,000-\$100,000	86.9%	10.2%	2.8%	51	12.6%
	More than \$100,000	70.8%	27.6%	1.6%	77	19.2%
	NA	81.3%	17.0%	1.7%	82	20.5%
<b>REGION</b>	Birmingham City	89.7%	9.6%	.7%	124	31.0%
	Mid-size city/town	75.1%	21.7%	3.1%	124	31.0%
	Small city/town	86.7%	12.2%	1.1%	91	22.8%
	Unincorporated	77.9%	22.1%	.0%	61	15.2%
<b>AGE</b>	18-34	96.4%	3.6%	.0%	46	11.5%
	35-49	78.4%	21.6%	.0%	76	19.0%
	50-64	83.3%	15.7%	1.0%	132	33.0%
	65 and above	81.4%	15.6%	3.0%	133	33.3%
	NA	66.4%	29.7%	3.9%	13	3.2%
	Total	82.7%	15.9%	1.4%	400	100.0%

**Table 18**  
**Would you support or oppose your local government working cooperatively with other governments in your region to develop and maintain parks and recreation facilities for all communities in the region?**

	PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES			TOTAL		
	Support	Oppose	Not sure			
<b>GENDER</b>	Male	70.6%	22.6%	6.8%	176	44.1%
	Female	86.9%	10.5%	2.6%	224	55.9%
<b>RACE</b>	White	75.8%	20.5%	3.6%	213	53.2%
	Black	86.0%	7.8%	6.2%	160	40.0%
	Other	65.8%	34.2%	.0%	16	4.0%
	NA	83.6%	16.4%	.0%	11	2.8%
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>	Own	78.9%	16.4%	4.7%	337	84.2%
	Rent	81.0%	15.4%	3.6%	48	12.0%
	NA	94.6%	5.4%	.0%	15	3.7%
<b>EDUCATION</b>	Graduated high school or less	72.4%	16.1%	11.5%	84	21.0%
	Some college/ technical degree	88.7%	9.4%	1.9%	100	24.9%
	Graduated college	80.3%	15.7%	4.1%	133	33.3%
	Post graduate degree	74.8%	24.3%	.9%	76	19.0%
	NA	82.2%	17.8%	.0%	7	1.8%
<b>INCOME</b>	Less than \$25,000	82.8%	13.6%	3.6%	38	9.4%
	\$25,000-\$50,000	84.9%	14.2%	.9%	76	19.0%
	\$50,000-\$75,000	89.1%	9.3%	1.6%	77	19.3%
	\$75,000-\$100,000	77.9%	14.8%	7.3%	51	12.6%
	More than \$100,000	72.3%	26.4%	1.3%	77	19.2%
	NA	72.7%	15.5%	11.8%	82	20.5%
<b>REGION</b>	Birmingham City	91.1%	7.8%	1.1%	124	31.0%
	Mid-size city/town	71.0%	23.9%	5.1%	124	31.0%
	Small city/town	74.3%	15.8%	9.9%	91	22.8%
	Unincorporated	82.3%	16.0%	1.6%	61	15.2%
<b>AGE</b>	18-34	91.7%	8.3%	.0%	46	11.5%
	35-49	73.0%	25.7%	1.3%	76	19.0%
	50-64	79.2%	13.0%	7.8%	132	33.0%
	65 and above	80.4%	15.2%	4.4%	133	33.3%
	NA	74.2%	21.9%	3.9%	13	3.2%
	Total	79.7%	15.9%	4.4%	400	100.0%

**Table 19**  
**Would you support or oppose your local government working cooperatively with other governments in your region to provide police protection for all communities in the region?**

	POLICE PROTECTION			TOTAL
	Support	Oppose	Not sure	
<b>GENDER</b>				
Male	72.5%	26.7%	.9%	176
Female	83.1%	14.9%	2.0%	224
<b>RACE</b>				
White	73.8%	23.4%	2.8%	213
Black	86.4%	13.6%	.0%	160
Other	67.5%	32.5%	.0%	16
NA	67.3%	32.7%	.0%	11
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>				
Own	77.8%	20.9%	1.3%	337
Rent	77.5%	19.0%	3.6%	48
NA	94.6%	5.4%	.0%	15
<b>EDUCATION</b>				
Graduated high school or less	82.4%	16.5%	1.1%	84
Some college/ technical degree	87.5%	10.9%	1.6%	100
Graduated college	74.4%	24.3%	1.3%	133
Post graduate degree	68.7%	29.0%	2.3%	76
NA	82.2%	17.8%	.0%	7
<b>INCOME</b>				
Less than \$25,000	87.4%	12.6%	.0%	38
\$25,000-\$50,000	82.0%	17.0%	.9%	76
\$50,000-\$75,000	88.2%	11.8%	.0%	77
\$75,000-\$100,000	79.5%	20.5%	.0%	51
More than \$100,000	62.4%	34.6%	3.0%	77
NA	75.9%	20.4%	3.7%	82
<b>REGION</b>				
Birmingham City	88.8%	10.8%	.4%	124
Mid-size city/town	64.2%	32.4%	3.4%	124
Small city/town	82.8%	16.6%	.5%	91
Unincorporated	79.4%	19.1%	1.5%	61
<b>AGE</b>				
18-34	86.3%	13.7%	.0%	46
35-49	63.6%	35.1%	1.3%	76
50-64	82.6%	15.7%	1.6%	132
65 and above	79.9%	18.3%	1.8%	133
NA	78.1%	18.0%	3.9%	13
Total	78.4%	20.1%	1.5%	400

**Table 20**  
**Would you support or oppose your local government working cooperatively with other governments in your region to provide fire protection for all communities in the region?**

	FIRE PROTECTION			TOTAL
	Support	Oppose	Not sure	
<b>GENDER</b>				
Male	76.5%	18.4%	5.1%	176
Female	85.6%	11.7%	2.7%	224
<b>RACE</b>				
White	78.8%	18.3%	2.9%	213
Black	87.8%	6.7%	5.5%	160
Other	70.9%	29.1%	.0%	16
NA	60.9%	39.1%	.0%	11
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>				
Own	80.8%	15.0%	4.2%	337
Rent	85.7%	12.3%	2.1%	48
NA	86.5%	13.5%	.0%	15
<b>EDUCATION</b>				
Graduated high school or less	78.8%	10.5%	10.6%	84
Some college/ technical degree	90.5%	8.5%	1.0%	100
Graduated college	82.7%	14.9%	2.5%	133
Post graduate degree	72.4%	25.8%	1.8%	76
NA	65.7%	27.4%	6.9%	7
<b>INCOME</b>				
Less than \$25,000	86.3%	12.4%	1.3%	38
\$25,000-\$50,000	86.6%	12.7%	.7%	76
\$50,000-\$75,000	93.3%	5.4%	1.3%	77
\$75,000-\$100,000	82.9%	14.6%	2.5%	51
More than \$100,000	76.3%	23.7%	.0%	77
NA	67.9%	17.7%	14.4%	82
<b>REGION</b>				
Birmingham City	90.8%	8.1%	1.1%	124
Mid-size city/town	76.3%	21.5%	2.2%	124
Small city/town	74.1%	13.8%	12.1%	91
Unincorporated	84.8%	15.2%	.0%	61
<b>AGE</b>				
18-34	93.9%	6.1%	.0%	46
35-49	73.8%	24.9%	1.3%	76
50-64	81.2%	11.7%	7.0%	132
65 and above	84.1%	13.5%	2.5%	133
NA	60.9%	27.4%	11.7%	13
Total	81.6%	14.6%	3.8%	400

**Table 21**  
**If your local government determined they could provide some services to residents more efficiently by participating in cooperative programs with all other governments in the region, would you support or oppose this initiative?**

	PROVIDE SERVICES COOPERATIVELY			TOTAL		
	Support	Oppose	Not sure			
<b>GENDER</b>	Male	77.1%	19.3%	3.6%	176	44.1%
	Female	83.4%	12.5%	4.2%	224	55.9%
<b>RACE</b>	White	76.4%	17.0%	6.6%	213	53.2%
	Black	88.9%	11.1%	.0%	160	40.0%
	Other	65.8%	28.0%	6.3%	16	4.0%
	NA	63.6%	31.8%	4.5%	11	2.8%
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>	Own	80.2%	15.6%	4.2%	337	84.2%
	Rent	86.0%	11.0%	3.0%	48	12.0%
	NA	71.6%	28.4%	.0%	15	3.7%
<b>EDUCATION</b>	Graduated high school or less	74.0%	20.5%	5.4%	84	21.0%
	Some college/ technical degree	86.9%	8.9%	4.2%	100	24.9%
	Graduated college	81.1%	16.2%	2.7%	133	33.3%
	Post graduate degree	81.5%	14.3%	4.2%	76	19.0%
	NA	52.0%	48.0%	.0%	7	1.8%
<b>INCOME</b>	Less than \$25,000	82.1%	13.9%	4.0%	38	9.4%
	\$25,000-\$50,000	81.1%	15.9%	2.9%	76	19.0%
	\$50,000-\$75,000	91.2%	7.9%	.9%	77	19.3%
	\$75,000-\$100,000	85.1%	10.1%	4.8%	51	12.6%
	More than \$100,000	83.2%	13.2%	3.5%	77	19.2%
	NA	64.2%	28.4%	7.4%	82	20.5%
<b>REGION</b>	Birmingham City	92.7%	6.9%	.4%	124	31.0%
	Mid-size city/town	72.2%	19.9%	7.8%	124	31.0%
	Small city/town	76.7%	21.6%	1.6%	91	22.8%
	Unincorporated	78.9%	14.6%	6.6%	61	15.2%
<b>AGE</b>	18-34	91.7%	8.3%	.0%	46	11.5%
	35-49	82.3%	13.8%	4.0%	76	19.0%
	50-64	82.4%	16.8%	.8%	132	33.0%
	65 and above	76.7%	16.5%	6.8%	133	33.3%
	NA	53.1%	27.4%	19.6%	13	3.2%
	Total	80.6%	15.5%	3.9%	400	100.0%

**Table 22**  
**Is your overall opinion of the Birmingham City government very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable?**

	BIRMINGHAM CITY GOVERNMENT					TOTAL
	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Not sure	
<b>GENDER</b>						
Male	5.9%	38.4%	21.0%	32.8%	1.9%	176
Female	12.6%	43.0%	21.1%	20.5%	2.8%	224
<b>RACE</b>						
White	4.7%	29.0%	22.1%	39.7%	4.4%	213
Black	17.5%	58.3%	19.5%	4.7%	.0%	160
Other	3.4%	22.4%	30.2%	42.8%	1.2%	16
NA	.0%	47.3%	9.1%	43.6%	.0%	11
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>						
Own	10.0%	39.6%	20.8%	27.3%	2.4%	337
Rent	10.0%	43.6%	27.1%	16.0%	3.3%	48
NA	.0%	64.8%	8.2%	27.0%	.0%	15
<b>EDUCATION</b>						
Graduated high school or less	8.9%	45.1%	22.2%	21.8%	2.0%	84
Some college/ technical degree	13.6%	41.3%	18.7%	23.7%	2.6%	100
Graduated college	10.0%	37.5%	22.7%	28.1%	1.7%	133
Post graduate degree	5.5%	42.4%	22.0%	26.1%	4.0%	76
NA	.0%	38.3%	.0%	61.7%	.0%	7
<b>INCOME</b>						
Less than \$25,000	15.6%	56.0%	12.0%	16.0%	.5%	38
\$25,000-\$50,000	4.5%	46.1%	25.3%	21.1%	3.0%	76
\$50,000-\$75,000	16.4%	31.0%	25.4%	27.3%	.0%	77
\$75,000-\$100,000	8.1%	44.7%	25.1%	20.3%	1.8%	51
More than \$100,000	6.1%	32.1%	17.3%	40.8%	3.7%	77
NA	9.5%	44.7%	18.4%	23.3%	4.2%	82
<b>REGION</b>						
Birmingham City	14.5%	48.1%	24.1%	13.2%	.2%	124
Mid-size city/town	12.6%	32.8%	20.6%	30.3%	3.8%	124
Small city/town	2.2%	47.5%	16.0%	32.3%	2.0%	91
Unincorporated	4.9%	33.4%	23.5%	33.5%	4.7%	61
<b>AGE</b>						
18-34	2.2%	50.9%	30.4%	16.6%	.0%	46
35-49	12.0%	30.3%	23.6%	34.1%	.0%	76
50-64	10.8%	43.3%	13.6%	28.9%	3.4%	132
65 and above	9.9%	40.5%	25.4%	21.8%	2.4%	133
NA	7.8%	49.2%	3.9%	23.5%	15.6%	13
Total	9.6%	41.0%	21.1%	25.9%	2.4%	400



**Table 23**  
**Is your overall opinion of the Jefferson County government very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable?**

	JEFFERSON COUNTY GOVERNMENT					TOTAL
	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Not sure	
<b>GENDER</b>						
Male	6.9%	44.5%	23.7%	24.4%	.5%	176
Female	12.1%	54.0%	20.8%	9.6%	3.4%	224
<b>RACE</b>						
White	4.4%	43.4%	26.6%	22.9%	2.7%	213
Black	17.7%	59.0%	16.0%	5.5%	1.7%	160
Other	2.3%	31.0%	35.3%	31.4%	.0%	16
NA	9.1%	68.2%	4.5%	18.2%	.0%	11
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>						
Own	9.5%	48.5%	23.0%	16.9%	2.1%	337
Rent	11.1%	51.3%	20.4%	13.9%	3.2%	48
NA	11.6%	74.9%	6.7%	6.7%	.0%	15
<b>EDUCATION</b>						
Graduated high school or less	9.9%	54.3%	18.6%	15.5%	1.7%	84
Some college/ technical degree	13.7%	45.2%	26.3%	12.5%	2.3%	100
Graduated college	6.1%	50.9%	18.6%	22.1%	2.4%	133
Post graduate degree	12.0%	46.8%	27.4%	11.6%	2.3%	76
NA	.0%	72.6%	13.7%	13.7%	.0%	7
<b>INCOME</b>						
Less than \$25,000	12.7%	62.0%	17.8%	7.5%	.0%	38
\$25,000-\$50,000	4.5%	52.1%	23.4%	19.0%	.9%	76
\$50,000-\$75,000	16.1%	39.4%	29.7%	12.5%	2.4%	77
\$75,000-\$100,000	8.1%	45.5%	29.2%	14.7%	2.5%	51
More than \$100,000	9.3%	48.8%	17.4%	21.4%	3.1%	77
NA	8.9%	55.6%	15.7%	17.0%	2.8%	82
<b>REGION</b>						
Birmingham City	11.1%	52.7%	24.3%	10.5%	1.4%	124
Mid-size city/town	13.4%	46.6%	20.2%	16.5%	3.3%	124
Small city/town	4.1%	57.9%	17.2%	19.0%	1.8%	91
Unincorporated	8.2%	38.6%	28.9%	22.7%	1.6%	61
<b>AGE</b>						
18-34	.0%	50.1%	29.3%	18.8%	1.8%	46
35-49	14.8%	43.6%	20.3%	21.4%	.0%	76
50-64	9.6%	50.0%	22.7%	15.4%	2.4%	132
65 and above	10.7%	51.7%	21.8%	12.3%	3.4%	133
NA	7.8%	64.8%	3.9%	23.5%	.0%	13
Total	9.8%	49.8%	22.1%	16.2%	2.1%	400

**Table 24**  
**How important is the Birmingham Zoo, the Museum of Art, Railroad Park, and other amenities available in the City of Birmingham to you and other members of your household? Would you say these are very important, somewhat important or not very important to you?**

	IMPORTANCE OF AMENITIES				TOTAL		
	Very important	Somewhat important	Not very important	Not sure			
<b>GENDER</b>	Male	45.9%	27.6%	25.6%	1.0%	176	44.1%
	Female	56.4%	28.0%	14.7%	.9%	224	55.9%
<b>RACE</b>	White	41.9%	34.8%	22.0%	1.2%	213	53.2%
	Black	65.8%	20.8%	13.4%	.0%	160	40.0%
	Other	44.0%	21.3%	28.4%	6.3%	16	4.0%
	NA	49.1%	4.5%	46.4%	.0%	11	2.8%
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>	Own	50.9%	28.7%	19.5%	.9%	337	84.2%
	Rent	55.4%	27.1%	16.0%	1.5%	48	12.0%
	NA	59.4%	10.1%	30.5%	.0%	15	3.7%
<b>EDUCATION</b>	Graduated high school or less	39.6%	30.2%	28.6%	1.7%	84	21.0%
	Some college/ technical degree	54.2%	24.4%	20.2%	1.2%	100	24.9%
	Graduated college	51.0%	32.1%	16.1%	.8%	133	33.3%
	Post graduate degree	64.4%	24.3%	11.3%	.0%	76	19.0%
	NA	41.0%	6.9%	52.1%	.0%	7	1.8%
<b>INCOME</b>	Less than \$25,000	54.8%	31.3%	13.9%	.0%	38	9.4%
	\$25,000-\$50,000	43.9%	32.9%	21.6%	1.6%	76	19.0%
	\$50,000-\$75,000	54.7%	30.5%	14.8%	.0%	77	19.3%
	\$75,000-\$100,000	57.7%	27.8%	13.0%	1.4%	51	12.6%
	More than \$100,000	54.8%	27.0%	18.2%	.0%	77	19.2%
	NA	48.4%	19.8%	29.7%	2.1%	82	20.5%
<b>REGION</b>	Birmingham City	62.2%	30.3%	7.5%	.0%	124	31.0%
	Mid-size city/town	51.8%	23.4%	23.0%	1.7%	124	31.0%
	Small city/town	47.2%	23.5%	28.8%	.5%	91	22.8%
	Unincorporated	37.3%	38.2%	22.9%	1.6%	61	15.2%
<b>AGE</b>	18-34	76.1%	14.5%	9.4%	.0%	46	11.5%
	35-49	61.3%	29.2%	9.5%	.0%	76	19.0%
	50-64	48.2%	30.3%	20.7%	.8%	132	33.0%
	65 and above	41.5%	30.0%	26.5%	2.0%	133	33.3%
	NA	50.7%	19.6%	29.7%	.0%	13	3.2%
	Total	51.8%	27.8%	19.5%	.9%	400	100.0%

**Table 25**  
**In your opinion, should Jefferson County's manager of government operations be appointed by the County Commission or should he or she be elected by voters?**

	JEFFERSON COUNTY MANAGER			TOTAL		
	Appointed by County Commission	Elected by voters	Not sure			
<b>GENDER</b>	Male	12.7%	85.9%	1.4%	176	44.1%
	Female	11.2%	81.6%	7.3%	224	55.9%
<b>RACE</b>	White	15.0%	79.2%	5.8%	213	53.2%
	Black	8.6%	88.0%	3.4%	160	40.0%
	Other	5.8%	94.2%	.0%	16	4.0%
	NA	7.3%	83.6%	9.1%	11	2.8%
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>	Own	12.2%	83.1%	4.7%	337	84.2%
	Rent	13.0%	85.2%	1.8%	48	12.0%
	NA	.0%	86.5%	13.5%	15	3.7%
<b>EDUCATION</b>	Graduated high school or less	3.7%	92.3%	4.0%	84	21.0%
	Some college/ technical degree	5.8%	93.3%	.9%	100	24.9%
	Graduated college	18.8%	75.8%	5.4%	133	33.3%
	Post graduate degree	17.7%	73.8%	8.5%	76	19.0%
	NA	.0%	86.3%	13.7%	7	1.8%
<b>INCOME</b>	Less than \$25,000	4.1%	94.7%	1.2%	38	9.4%
	\$25,000-\$50,000	5.9%	90.0%	4.1%	76	19.0%
	\$50,000-\$75,000	7.7%	89.8%	2.4%	77	19.3%
	\$75,000-\$100,000	19.1%	77.5%	3.4%	51	12.6%
	More than \$100,000	28.1%	67.3%	4.6%	77	19.2%
	NA	5.1%	85.1%	9.8%	82	20.5%
<b>REGION</b>	Birmingham City	7.0%	87.6%	5.4%	124	31.0%
	Mid-size city/town	15.7%	79.1%	5.2%	124	31.0%
	Small city/town	16.5%	80.5%	3.0%	91	22.8%
	Unincorporated	6.8%	88.4%	4.7%	61	15.2%
<b>AGE</b>	18-34	25.9%	71.9%	2.2%	46	11.5%
	35-49	9.4%	82.8%	7.8%	76	19.0%
	50-64	9.8%	87.3%	2.9%	132	33.0%
	65 and above	11.5%	83.6%	4.9%	133	33.3%
	NA	.0%	88.3%	11.7%	13	3.2%
	Total	11.8%	83.5%	4.7%	400	100.0%

**Table 26**  
**As a way to provide services to their residents on a regional basis some cities have merged with their counties. Would you support or oppose a merger between your city or town and Jefferson County?**

	GOVERNMENT MERGER			TOTAL		
	Support	Oppose	Not sure			
<b>GENDER</b>	Male	35.9%	59.5%	4.6%	176	44.1%
	Female	48.2%	47.8%	4.0%	224	55.9%
<b>RACE</b>	White	26.4%	67.2%	6.4%	213	53.2%
	Black	67.4%	31.8%	.9%	160	40.0%
	Other	26.3%	60.0%	13.7%	16	4.0%
	NA	25.5%	74.5%	.0%	11	2.8%
<b>HOME OWNERSHIP</b>	Own	40.6%	55.4%	4.0%	337	84.2%
	Rent	58.0%	34.6%	7.4%	48	12.0%
	NA	42.9%	57.1%	.0%	15	3.7%
<b>EDUCATION</b>	Graduated high school or less	41.4%	52.2%	6.4%	84	21.0%
	Some college/ technical degree	44.5%	50.2%	5.3%	100	24.9%
	Graduated college	46.9%	49.3%	3.8%	133	33.3%
	Post graduate degree	36.5%	61.7%	1.8%	76	19.0%
	NA	24.7%	75.3%	.0%	7	1.8%
<b>INCOME</b>	Less than \$25,000	62.5%	28.1%	9.4%	38	9.4%
	\$25,000-\$50,000	52.4%	43.6%	3.9%	76	19.0%
	\$50,000-\$75,000	44.6%	53.6%	1.8%	77	19.3%
	\$75,000-\$100,000	43.9%	50.3%	5.7%	51	12.6%
	More than \$100,000	31.1%	67.0%	2.0%	77	19.2%
	NA	33.2%	60.9%	5.9%	82	20.5%
<b>REGION</b>	Birmingham City	64.1%	34.4%	1.6%	124	31.0%
	Mid-size city/town	25.5%	70.4%	4.1%	124	31.0%
	Small city/town	40.0%	56.9%	3.1%	91	22.8%
	Unincorporated	38.8%	49.5%	11.7%	61	15.2%
<b>AGE</b>	18-34	68.6%	31.4%	.0%	46	11.5%
	35-49	42.8%	52.0%	5.3%	76	19.0%
	50-64	40.4%	56.9%	2.7%	132	33.0%
	65 and above	36.7%	56.9%	6.4%	133	33.3%
	NA	37.5%	54.6%	7.8%	13	3.2%
	Total	42.8%	53.0%	4.3%	400	100.0%