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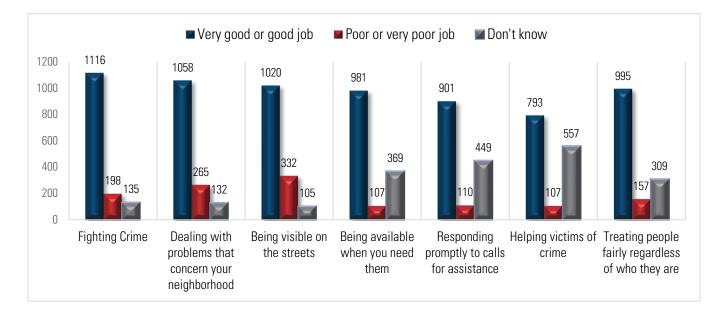
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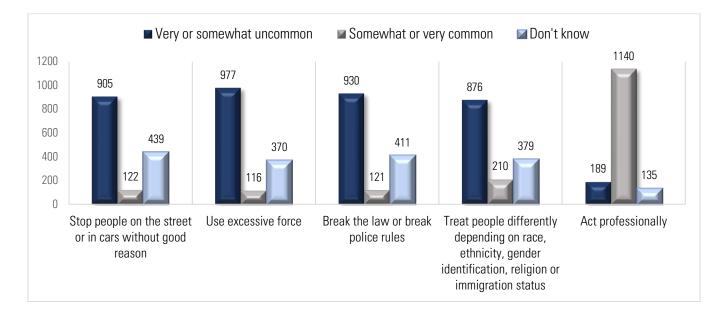
Community Survey – Madison, WI

How well is the Madison PD doing....



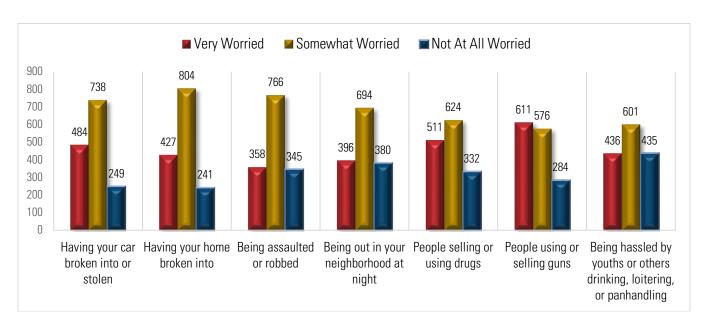
Community members were asked how well their local police were doing at a variety of policing activities. They indicated that the department is doing a **good** or **very good** job across the board. The **do not know** option was selected the most for helping victims of crime, although overall community members indicate that the department is doing a **good** or **very good** job at this activity.

How common is it for the police to...

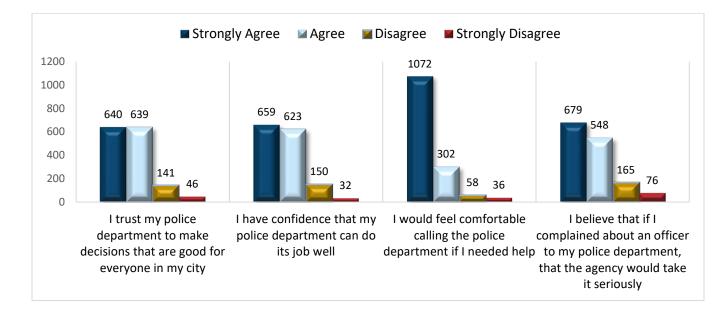


When asked about police behaviors, most respondents said that it is **very** or **somewhat uncommon** for the police to stop people on the street or in cards without good reason, use excessive force, break the law or police rules, or treat people differently. A large majority said it was **very common** for the police to act professionally.

How worried are you about...



Participants were asked how much they worried about crime in their neighborhood. Most respondents indicated being at least **somewhat worried** about most items, particularly having their car, or home broken into, being assaulted or robbed, and being out in their neighborhood at night. Respondents were **very worried** about people using or selling guns, and/or drugs. Respondents seemed the **least worried** about being hassled by youths or others drinking, loitering or panhandling, although more indicated some concern.

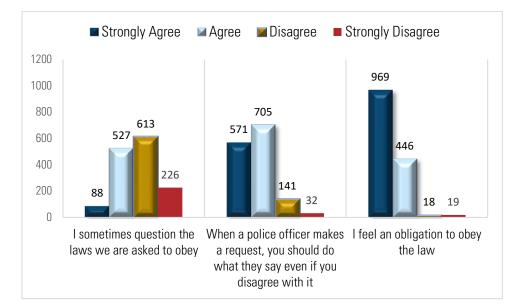


Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements...

For the most part, the **community** seems to have confidence in the police department, especially when asked if they feel comfortable calling the police department if they needed help.

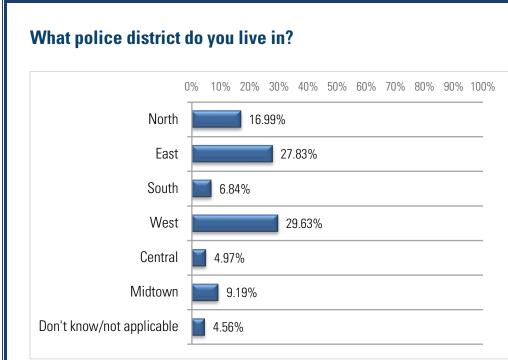
How likely would you be to... Very Likely Likely Unlikely Very Unlikely 1138 1121 1200 1000 800 639 543 600 400 282 269 200 43 4N 16 14 0 Work with the police to Work with the police to Attend a meeting of identify a person who has residents in your identify places for example committed a crime in your houses, businesses, parks, neighborhood to discuss neighborhood where crimes are taking crime prevention place

Community members stated they are **very likely** to work with the police to identify a person who has committed a crime in their neighborhood, and to identify places where crimes are taking place. For attending a meeting of residents to discuss crime prevention, although most still said **very likely** or **likely**, the responses indicate that they are **less likely** to participate in this type of activity.

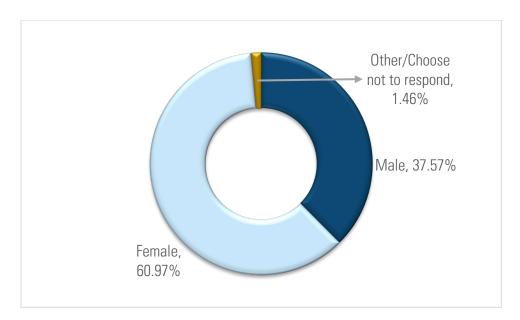


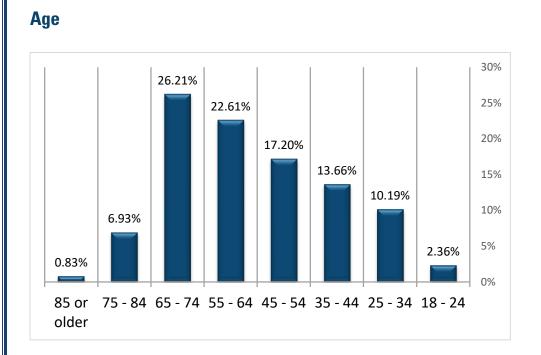
Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements...

For the most part, community members believe in the legitimacy of the law and authority of police officers. Some community members question the laws they are asked to obey, but they mostly **disagree** with this statement. A majority **strongly agree** that they feel an obligation to obey the law, and primarily **agree** that you could comply with an officers request, even if you disagree.

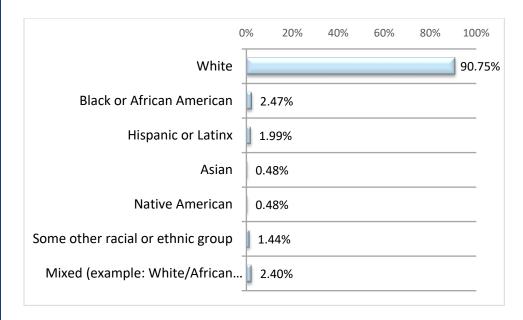


Gender

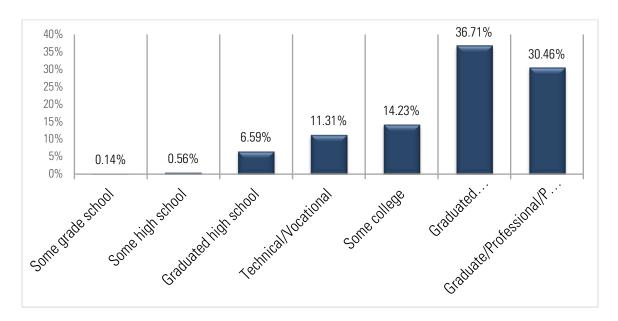




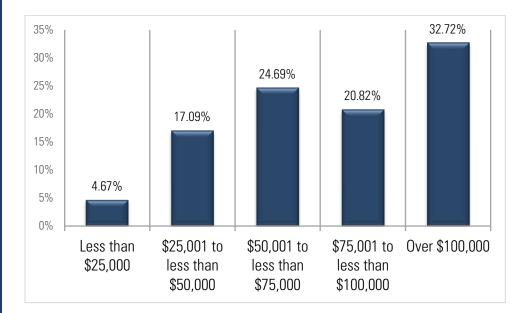
Race



Education



Income



APPENDIX

How well are they doing	Very good job	Good job	Poor job	Very poor job	Don't know	Total
Fighting Crime	391	725	157	41	135	1449
Dealing with problems that concern your neighborhood	385	673	208	57	132	1455
Being visible on the streets	341	679	260	72	105	1457
Being available when you need them	479	502	76	31	369	1457
Responding promptly to calls for service	466	435	83	27	449	1460
Helping victims of crimes	377	416	69	38	557	1457
Treating people fairly regardless of who they are	561	434	100	57	309	1461

	Very	Somewhat	Somewhat	Very	Don't	Total
How common is it for the police to	Uncommon	uncommon	common	common	know	
Stop people on the street or in cars without good reason	745	160	81	41	439	1466
Use excessive force	786	191	82	34	370	1463
Break the law or break police rules	757	173	78	43	411	1462
Treat people differently depending on race, ethnicity, gender identification, religion or immigration status	665	211	127	83	379	1465
Act professionally	128	61	123	1017	135	1464

How worried are you about	Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not at all worried	Total
Having your car broken into or stolen	484	738	249	1471
Having your home broken into	427	804	241	1472
Being assaulted or robbed	358	766	345	1469
Being out in your neighborhood at night	396	694	380	1470
People selling or using drugs	511	624	332	1467
People using or selling guns	611	576	284	1471
Being hassled by youths or others drinking, loitering, or panhandling	436	601	435	1472

Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Total
I trust my police department to make decisions that are good for everyone in my city	640	639	141	46	1466
I have confidence that my police department can do its job well	659	623	150	32	1464
I would feel comfortable calling the police department if I needed					
help	1072	302	58	36	1468

How likely would you be to	Very likely	Likely	Unlikely	Very unlikely	Total
Work with the police to identify a person who has committed a crime in your neighborhood	1138	269	40	14	1461
Work with the police to identify places for example – houses, businesses, parks, where crimes are taking place	1121	282	43	16	1462
Attend a meeting of residents in your neighborhood to discuss crime prevention	639	543	230	48	1460

Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Total
I sometimes question the laws we are asked to obey	88	527	613	226	1454
When a police officer makes a request, you should do what they say					
even if you disagree with it	571	705	141	32	1449
I feel an obligation to obey the law	969	446	18	19	1452

What police district do you live in?	%	Count
North	16.99%	246
East	27.83%	403
South	6.84%	99
West	29.63%	429
Central	4.97%	72
Midtown	9.19%	133
Don't know/not applicable	4.56%	66
Total	100%	1448

Gender	%	Count
Male	37.57%	541
Female	60.97%	878
Other/Choose not to respond	1.46%	21
Total	100%	1440

Age	%	Count
18-24	2.36%	34
25-34	10.19%	147
35-44	13.66%	197
45-54	17.20%	248
55-64	22.61%	326
65-74	26.21%	378
75-84	6.93%	100
85 or older	0.83%	12
Total	100%	1442

Race	%	Count
White	90.75%	1325
Black or African American	2.47%	36
Hispanic or Latinx	1.99%	29
Asian	0.48%	7
Native American	0.48%	7
Some other racial of ethnic group	1.44%	21
Mixed (example: White/African American, Hispanic/African American)	2.40%	35
Total	100%	1460

Education	%	Count
Some grade school	0.14%	2
Some high school	0.56%	8
Graduated high school	6.59%	95
Technical/Vocational	11.31%	163
Some college	14.23%	205
Graduated college/Bachelors/BA	36.71%	526
Graduate/Professional/PhD/JD/MA, etc.	30.46%	439
Total	100%	1441

Income	%	Count
Less than \$25,000	4.67%	64
\$25,001 to less than \$50,000	17.09%	234
\$50,001 to less than \$75,000	24.69%	338
\$75,001 to less than \$100,000	20.82%	285
Over \$100,000	32.72%	448
Total	100%	1369

Survey Information		
Survey Dates	Response Rate	Responses
December 27, 2018 – February 18, 2019	0.86% (of population)	2,187