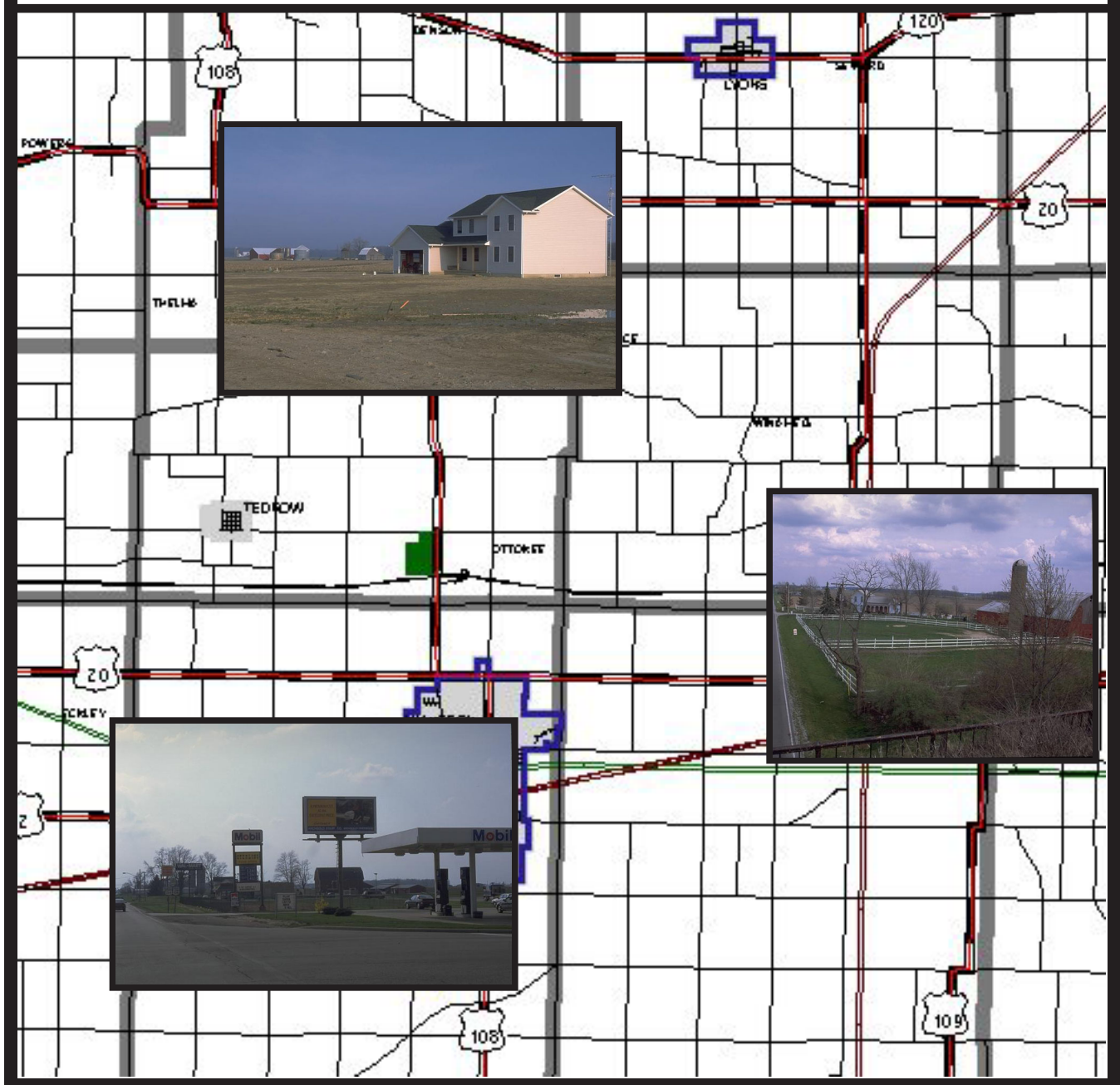


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BACKGROUND AND PROCESS

Fulton County initiated this survey to gather public input on local priorities and planning options as part of a comprehensive community planning project. The county received assistance for survey design and implementation through a cooperative agreement with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) as part of a community planning initiative of the NRCS Office of Farmland Protection and Community Planning; NRCS engaged the University of Wisconsin Cooperative Extension, Environmental Resources Center to develop and administer this survey of local residents.

The questionnaire was developed with extensive input and review from local participants and community planners and NRCS staff in the Social Sciences Institute and Office of Farmland Protection and Community Planning. The questionnaire addressed community resources, preferences regarding future development and conservation, and a variety of options for implementing community decisions.

The survey was mailed to a random sample of 1407 households in Fulton County. For the townships that contained incorporated villages, the sample was split proportionally to represent the actual population between the incorporated (urban) and unincorporated (rural) areas. Countywide, 561 of the selected households were from incorporated areas and 846 were from unincorporated areas. The sample households were selected primarily from mailing lists provided by water utility records and property ownership information. In order to develop a statistically significant sample, a minimum sample size was set at 42 households for each urban area. The minimum sample size for rural areas of each township was set at 70 households. Recognizing that renters would be under-represented in these records, efforts were made to identify names of renters when possible, and include them in the survey.

The survey was conducted between September and November 2002. Two weeks before the survey began, articles ran in two community papers describing the community survey and encouraging those receiving surveys to participate. Survey distribution involved as many as five mail contacts. All 1407 members of the sample group were sent advanced letters addressed to them and signed by local elected officials; the advance letters included information about the planning process and the survey, and asked for their participation. Within one week after the advance letters, all 1407 households received an initial survey packet including a copy of the survey questionnaire, a pre-addressed postage-paid envelope, and a cover letter describing the questionnaire and restating how the information would be used. All respondents were assured of confidentiality. Those households that did not respond within the next ten-day period were sent a post card reminding them of the survey and again asking for their participation. The households that had not responded approximately ten days after the first postcard were sent another full survey packet, which included another copy of the survey, another stamped and addressed envelope, and another cover letter. Those who had still not responded two weeks after the second packet were sent a final post-card reminder.

Out of 1407 surveys sent, 959 households returned usable surveys, 5 surveys were returned blank or largely incomplete, and 44 households were dropped from the list because the individuals had moved, were deceased, or had a bad address that could not be resolved; the response rate was 70 percent (959/1363). The final sample size of 959 people yields data that has a statistical reliability of ± 3 percentage points at the 95% confidence level. This means that 95 out of 100 times, the results of this survey should differ by no more than 3 percent, in either direction, from what would have been obtained by interviewing all households in Fulton County.

GENERAL HIGHLIGHTS

These general highlights provide a brief introduction to survey results. A copy of the survey questionnaire is included in Appendix H.

You and Your Residence (Participant Demographic Information)

Survey questions 1-19 involved demographic information, inquiries about residential water service, and land ownership and management.

- 63% of the respondents were from unincorporated (rural) areas within Fulton County and 37% of the respondents were from incorporated (urban) areas within Fulton County.
- Overall, 76% of respondents have lived in their community for 16 or more years; 9% have lived in their communities for 5 years or less.
- 95% of respondents own their residence.
- 10% of the respondents own or operate a farm in Fulton County.
- 86% of rural respondents rely on private wells for their residential water service.
- 15% of those using wells are dissatisfied or very dissatisfied with the quality of their well water, and 16% are dissatisfied or very dissatisfied about the amount of water available in their wells. While rural households in all twelve townships state some degree of dissatisfaction with their water service, residents in several townships have fairly high levels of concern, especially among private well users: in Dover Township, 22% of rural respondents are dissatisfied or very dissatisfied with the quantity of water provided by their wells; in Amboy Township, 27% share that sentiment; and in both Royalton and Fulton Townships the number jumps to 31%. Additional comments provided by respondents suggest that those residents perceive that pumping by other water consumers (primarily in the industrial and agricultural production sectors) are responsible for their shortages (see Appendix A).

Your Perspective on the Community

Questions 20-29 asked about the importance and availability of various community services; questions 30-35 asked whether respondents would encourage or discourage various types of future development. Highlights from both sets of questions are combined here.

- 93% of respondents are satisfied or very satisfied with their community as a place to live. A sense of safety and security and a rural or country atmosphere are two of the community characteristics deemed most important by respondents.

Housing

- Respondents indicated concerns about affordable housing options and housing for seniors and people with disabilities. In general, respondents indicated there is an adequate supply of existing single-family homes in their communities.

- Respondents expressed a general lack of support for the development of new subdivisions and slight encouragement for the development of dispersed single-family homes in and around their communities. Rural respondents were much less supportive of new housing developments in general than urban respondents; one-third to two-thirds of rural respondents and one-fifth to two-fifths of urban respondents would discourage any type of new single-family housing developments.
- 80% of respondents would encourage more housing for seniors, but nearly as many (77%) would discourage mobile home parks; 72% would encourage future housing for people with disabilities. Urban residents especially would encourage more grocery stores and restaurants, while rural residents were more concerned about future health facilities. In nearly every case, urban respondents were more encouraging (or in some instances less discouraging) regarding development than rural respondents.

Recreation

- Both urban and rural households suggested an inadequate supply of bicycle and pedestrian trails in their communities; areas for scenic enjoyment were also lacking.
- Both urban and rural households were supportive of various types of new recreational facilities; they were most encouraging of development of new bicycle and pedestrian trails and areas for scenic enjoyment.

Natural Resources and Landscape

- While respondents valued some natural resources very highly (particularly woodlands and rivers/streams), nearly one-third felt that wetlands and marshes were unimportant. More people valued the potential benefits associated with woodlands, grasslands, lakes and rivers than placed importance on the potential benefits associated with wetlands. Responses did not vary substantially between urban and rural households.
- Respondents implied generally high levels of support for the development of a variety of new conservation areas; as with perceptions about current conservation areas, woodlands were valued the highest and wetlands the lowest.
- Respondents place high levels of importance on water quality, preservation of natural areas, the area's scenic quality, locally grown food, preservation of rural character, and habitat for fish and wildlife in and around their communities.

Farmland

- Overall, 94% of respondents stated that protecting farmland in Fulton County is either important or very important; 73% of rural households indicated "very important". Yet, respondents expressed some ambivalence about the effects of agriculture on water quality in and around their communities (23% perceive a negative effect from agriculture).

New Industry Production

- Fulton County households were largely consistent in their lack of support for new large-scale livestock facilities and mineral extraction operations. Respondents were generally encouraging of other new agriculture-related business, and urban and rural households were somewhat conflicted over the extent to which they would encourage new warehousing/distribution and light manufacturing/assembly operations in their communities.

New Commercial Development and Services

- Urban and rural households held different opinions about the types of new/additional commercial services they would like to see in their communities, although both were generally encouraging of new health and child-care facilities; results varied substantially between townships.

Future Land Use

- In questions 30-34, respondents mapped information about where they would like to see various types of future development in their townships. Individual township maps appear in Appendix D to this report; county-wide aggregate views are included in the detailed responses.

Options for Implementing Community Decisions

Community Plans

- A large majority of respondents were not familiar with existing plans for Fulton County, however 76% were supportive of using a plan to guide decisions in the county; it's worth noting that nearly 20% of respondents were neutral about this issue.

Development and Conservation

- Fulton County residents were largely supportive of local ordinances to protect natural areas but as a group, both urban and rural respondents were ambivalent about various other planning tools that could be applied to new development. Relatively high percentages of respondents were neutral about clustered housing arrangements and purchase-of-development-rights programs; this suggests having insufficient information to understand the implications of those approaches in their communities.
- Generally consistent with the county's high support for farmland protection, 39% of respondents indicated that farmland should remain in agricultural use when offered for sale; 20% indicated that the new owner should be able to use the land as they see fit.

Interaction With You

- Fulton County residents stated a preference for learning about community and county planning through letters to their homes, newspapers, and community newsletters.

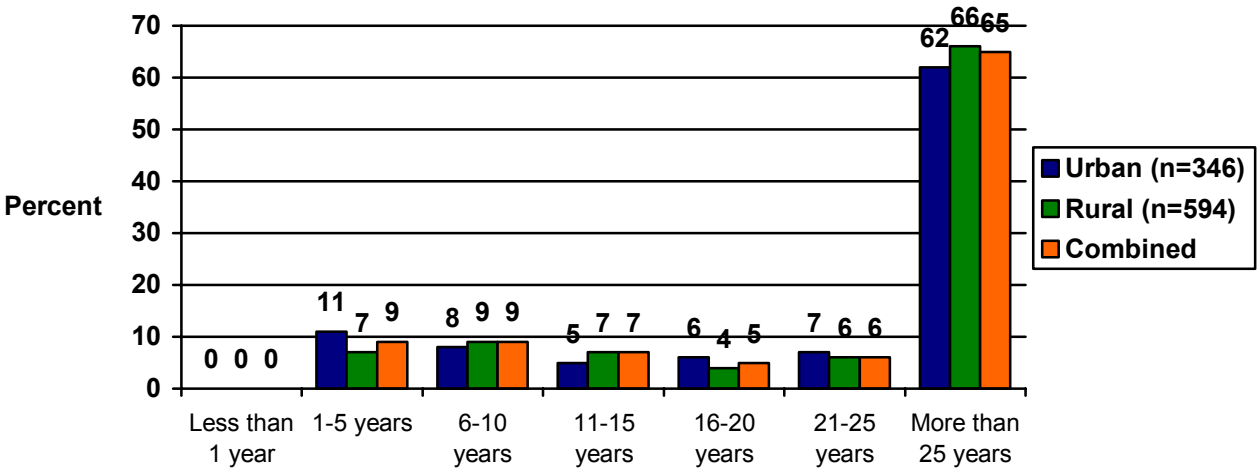
Appendices A-G include additional information of interest, such as township-level responses for urban and rural households, differences between farming and non-farming households, and differences on several issues based on age.

DETAILED RESPONSES

You and Your Residence

This first section is designed to gather some basic demographic information about the survey participants, such as type of residence they live in, whether they farm or own land, and their source of drinking water. For example, the results indicate that 91 percent of respondents live in single-family homes and 95 percent own their homes. Fifty-four percent of respondents have private wells.

1. How long have you been a resident of Fulton County?* (n=940)



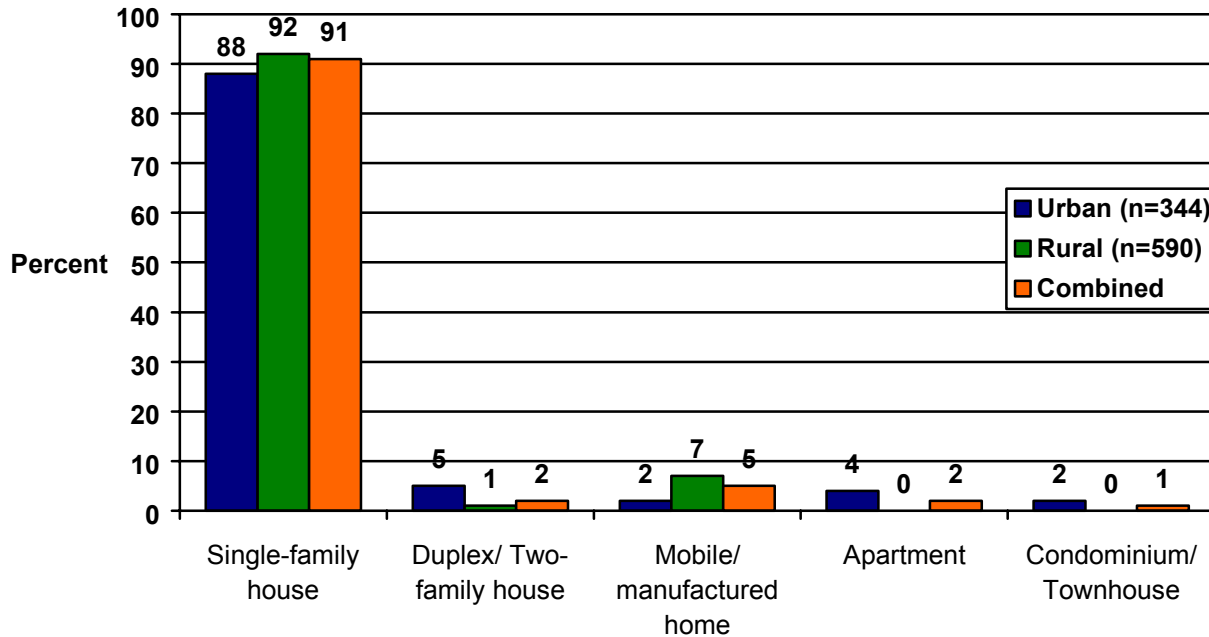
	Combined	Urban	Rural
Less than 1 year	**0%	0%	0%
1-5 years	9%	11%	7%
6-10 years	9%	8%	9%
11-15 years	7%	5%	7%
16-20 years	5%	6%	4%
21-25 years	6%	7%	6%
More than 25 years	65%	62%	66%

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.
 **0 indicates the response was less than 0.5 percent, but greater than zero.

2. How long have you lived at you current residence? (n=939)

	Combined	Urban	Rural
Less than 1 year	3%	6%	1%
1-5 years	22%	25%	19%
6-10 years	19%	19%	18%
11-15 years	14%	13%	15%
16-20 years	11%	10%	11%
21-25 years	9%	7%	10%
More than 25 years	24%	21%	26%

3. Which of the following best describes your current residence? (n=934)



	Combined	Urban	Rural
Single family house	91%	88%	92%
Duplex/two-family house	2%	5%	1%
Mobile/manufactured home	5%	2%	7%
Apartment	2%	4%	0%
Condominium/townhouse	1%	2%	**0%
Other	**0%	**0%	**0%

Note: **0 indicates the response was less than 0.5 percent, but greater than zero.

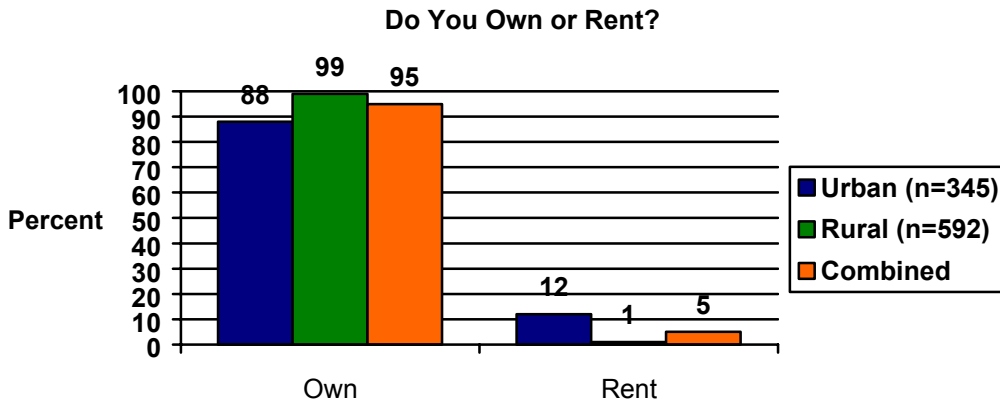
4. What year was your current residence built (approximately)?*

	Average	Range	Total
Urban	1953	1850-2002	(n=277)
Rural	1955	1800-2002	(n=527)
Combined	1954	1800-2002	(n=804)

	Percent Don't Know	Total
Urban	19%	(n=342)
Rural	11%	(n=595)
Combined	15%	(n=948)

5. Do you own or rent your current residence? (n=937)

Own	95%
Rent	5%



6. How many adults and children currently live at this residence?

Adults (18 or older)

	Average	Range	Total
Urban	2	1-5	(n=344)
Rural	2	0-6	(n=593)
Combined	2	0-6	(n=937)

Children (17 or younger)*

	Average	Range	Total
Urban	1	0-6	(n=345)
Rural	1	0-10	(n=593)
Combined	1	0-10	(n=938)

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

Questions 7-11 concern water quality and quantity in Fulton County. Some residents made additional comments about this issue. Those comments can be found in Appendix A. Also, please note that these responses do vary among townships; see Appendices E, F and G for specific responses by township.

7. What type of water service do you use at this residence? (n=927)

	Combined	Urban	Rural
Municipality/water utility	45%	97%	14%
Private well on my property	54%	2%	86%
Don't know	1%	1%	**0%

Note: **0 indicates the response was less than 0.5 percent, but greater than zero.

8 & 9. How satisfied are you with the quality* and amount of water provided to your residence?

	Very dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	No Opinion	Very satisfied	Satisfied
Water Quality (n=929)	4%	9%	2%	31%	54%
Amount of Water (n=924)	4%	7%	2%	40%	48%
Municipal Water Quality (n=415)	4%	8%	1%	66%	21%
Well Water Quality (n=498)	5%	10%	3%	44%	38%
Municipal Water Amounts (n=413)	2%	3%	1%	54%	40%
Well Water Amounts (n=498)	6%	10%	2%	43%	39%

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

Responses for questions 10 and 11 are divided by municipal versus well water use.

10. How often do you use bottled water?* (n=936)

	Total	Municipal (n=417)	Well (n=501)
Never	40%	35%	44%
Occasionally	16%	21%	17%
Always	9%	20%	14%
Rarely	19%	18%	15%
Frequently	16%	7%	12%

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

11. For what reasons do you purchase bottled water? (n=942)

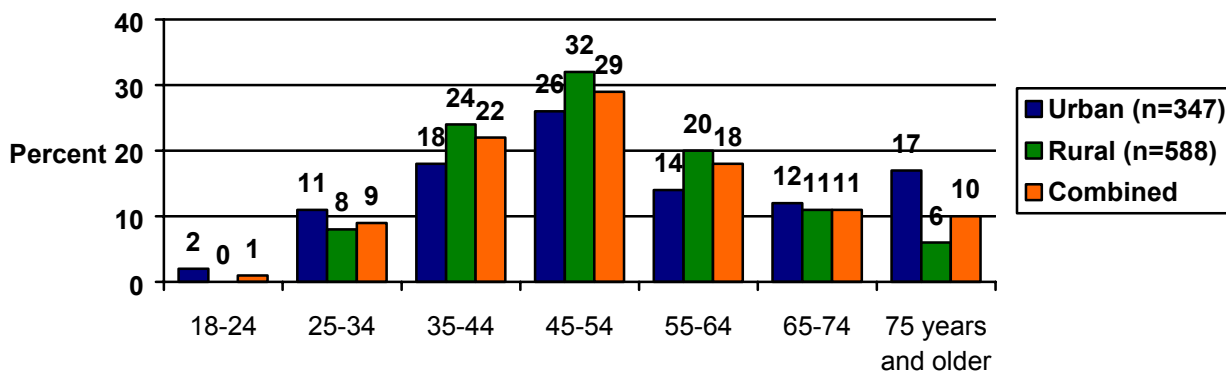
	Total	Municipal (n=418)	Well (n=500)
Taste	29%	36%	23%
Reduce own health risks*	11%	11%	10%
Reduce family's health risks*	12%	12%	12%
Bottled water is more convenient*	12%	13%	11%
Other	10%	7%	13%
I don't use bottled water	40%	35%	44%

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

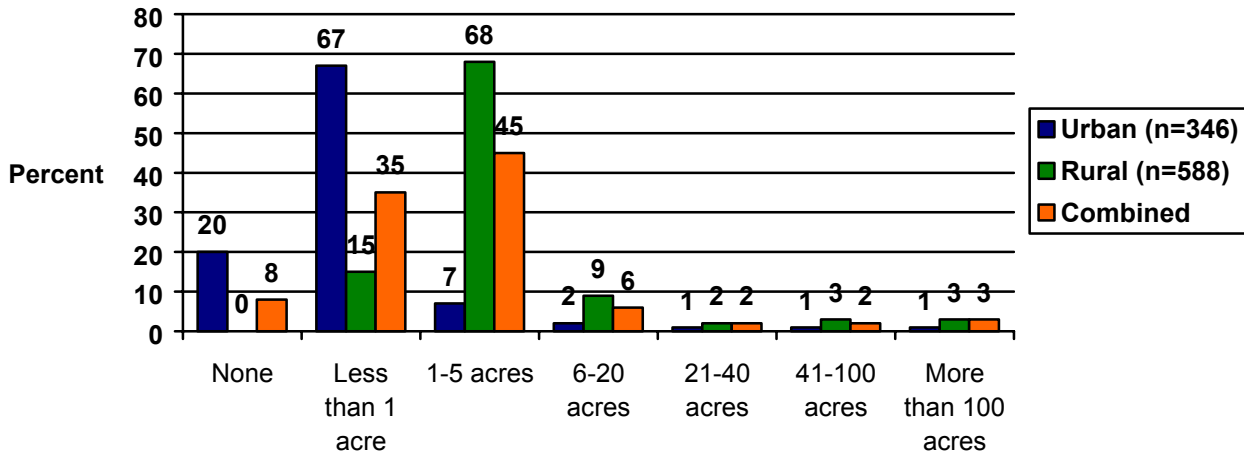
12. What is your age? (n=935)

	Combined	Urban	Rural
18-24	1%	2%	0%
25-34	9%	11%	8%
35-44	22%	18%	24%
45-54	29%	26%	32%
55-64	18%	14%	20%
65-74	11%	12%	11%
75 years and older	10%	17%	6%

What is Your Age?



13. How many total acres of land, including your residence, do you own in Fulton County? (n=934)



	Combined	Urban	Rural
None	8%	20%	**0%
Less than 1 acre	35%	67%	15%
1-5 acres	45%	7%	68%
6-20 acres	6%	2%	9%
21-40 acres	2%	1%	2%
41-100 acres	2%	1%	3%
More than 100 acres	3%	1%	3%

Note: **0 indicates the response was less than 0.5 percent, but greater than zero.

14. Do you own or operate a farm in Fulton County? (n=932)

no	90%
yes	10%

Responses to questions 15-19 are for the 10 percent of respondents who own or operate a farm in Fulton County. Results show that 76 percent of farmers do not raise animals on their farms. Thirty-three percent of farmers indicated that they plan to continue farming for at least another 15 years, 17 percent for less than fifteen years, and 50 percent didn't know how long they would maintain their operations. While responses ranged from 0-100 percent, on average 25 percent of their income comes from farming.

15. In Fulton County, how many total acres of farmland do you:*

	Average	Range	Total
Own	68	0-350	(n=87)
Operate	340	0-2100	(n=39)

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

16. Of the total acres you operate in Fulton County, how many acres are used for each of the following:*

	Average	Range	Total
Pasture	5	0-40	(n=21)
Crop	215	0-2100	(n=70)
Other	15	0-130	(n=22)

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

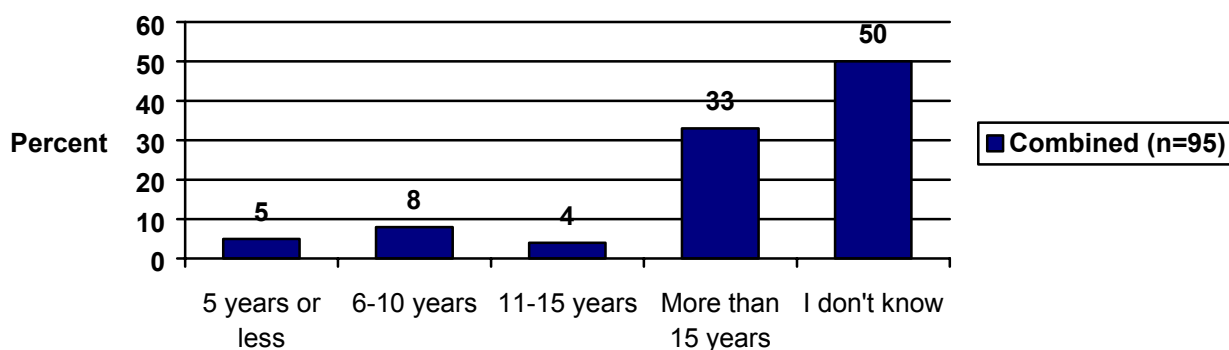
17. Approximately how many of the following types of animals do you have in your farm operation?*

	Average	Range	Total
Dairy cattle	115	1-600	(n=9)
Beef cattle	45	1-200	(n=8)
Hogs	435	4-1500	(n=7)
Poultry	35	0-100	(n=7)

	Percent	Total
No animals	76%	(n=76)

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

18. If you own or operate an active farm in Fulton County, how long do you plan to continue the farm operation? (n=95)*



5 years or less	5%
6-10 years	8%
11-15 years	4%
More than 15 years	33%
I don't know	50%

19. Approximately what percent of your household income comes from farming?*

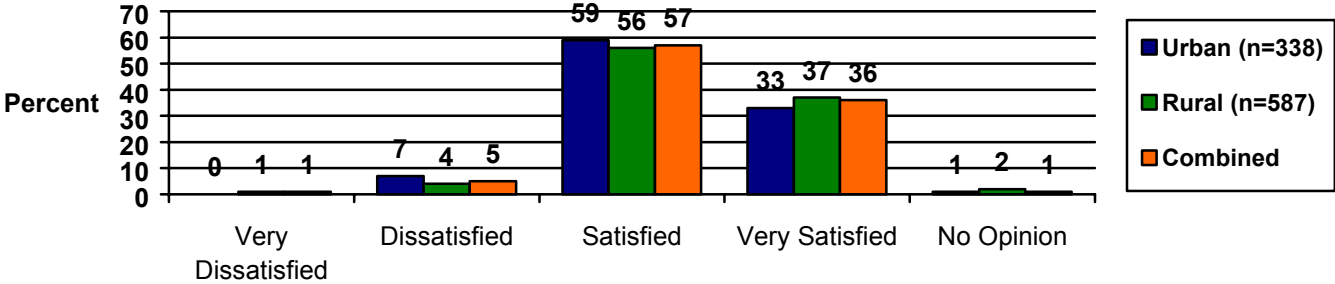
	Average	Range	Total
Urban	22%	0-100%	(n=12)
Rural	26%	0-100%	(n=74)
Combined	25%	0-100%	(n=86)

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

Perspective on Community

This section contains information on participants' perspectives on life in the community: how they like living there and their views on housing, service and commercial establishments, and recreational areas. The results show that 93 percent of respondents are either satisfied or very satisfied with life in Fulton County. A sense of safety and security and a rural or country atmosphere are two of the community characteristics deemed most important by respondents. People also placed a great deal of importance on the natural and landscape features in the area – woodlands were cited as important or very important by 89 percent of respondents.

20. How satisfied are you with Fulton County as a place to live?* (n=925)



Very dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Very satisfied	No opinion
1%	5%	57%	36%	1%

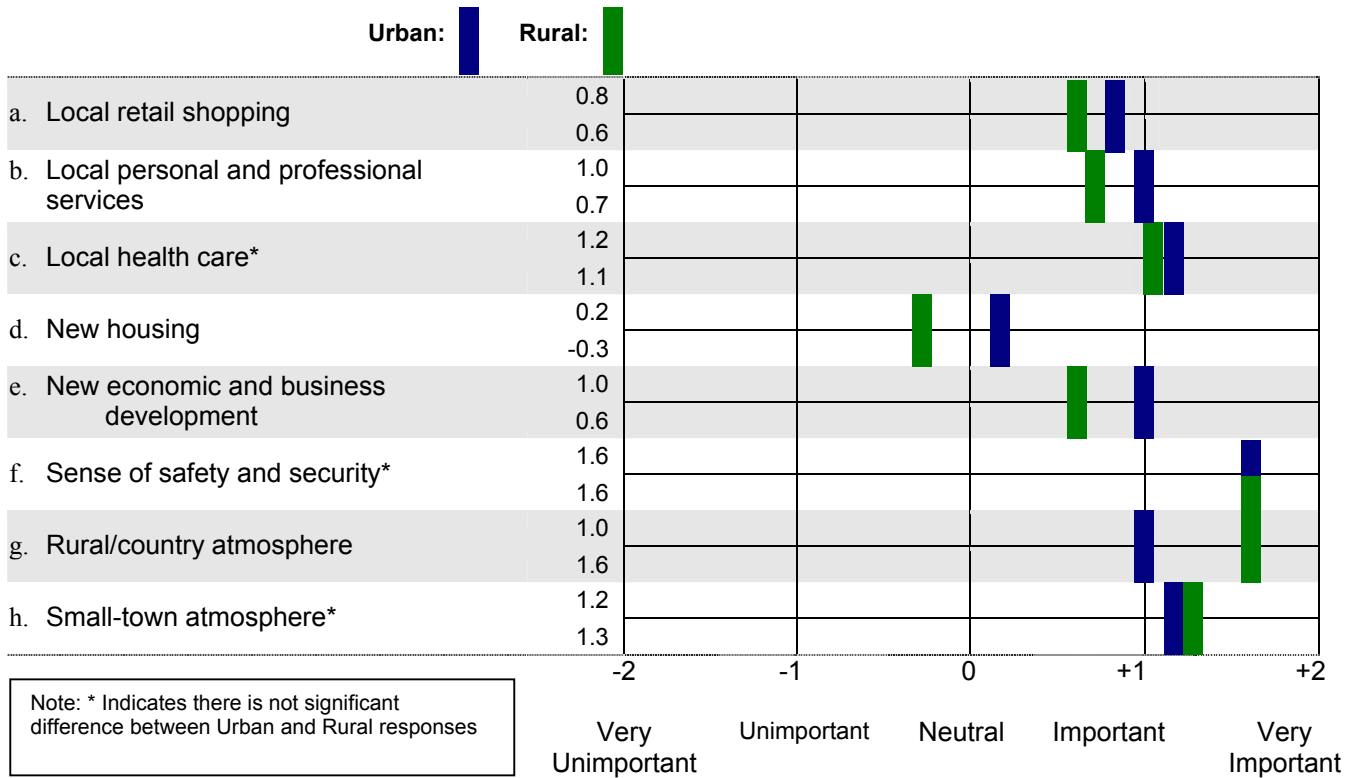
Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

21a. What level of personal importance do you place on each of the following characteristics of Fulton County? (Numbers represent percent of responses) A graphical representation of these responses can be found on the next page.

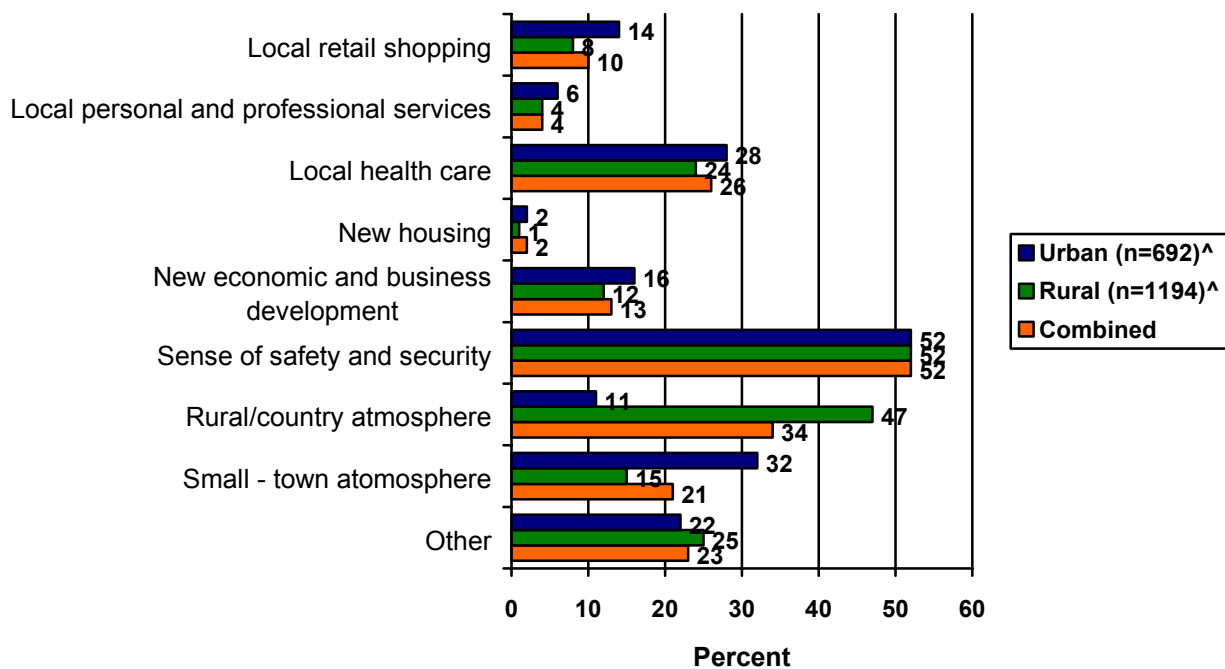
		Very Unimportant	Unimportant	Important	Very Important	No opinion	
a. Local retail shopping	Urban	2	13	56	25	4	n=342
	Rural	5	20	55	16	5	n=582
	Comb.	4	17	55	19	5	n=924
b. Local personal and professional services	Urban	3	9	53	31	4	n=343
	Rural	4	16	55	21	5	n=584
	Comb.	4	13	54	25	5	n=927
c. Local health care*	Urban	3	6	41	45	6	n=344
	Rural	3	10	46	38	4	n=580
	Comb.	3	8	44	41	4	n=924
d. New housing	Urban	7	29	44	8	12	n=341
	Rural	19	34	31	7	10	n=579
	Comb.	14	32	36	7	10	n=920
e. New economic and business development	Urban	2	10	54	28	6	n=343
	Rural	7	18	51	18	6	n=570
	Comb.	5	15	52	22	6	n=913
f. Sense of safety and security*	Urban	1	1	26	70	2	n=341
	Rural	2	2	24	70	2	n=591
	Comb.	1	2	25	70	2	n=932
g. Rural/country atmosphere	Urban	1	12	49	32	6	n=339
	Rural	2	3	25	68	2	n=587
	Comb.	1	6	34	55	4	n=926
h. Small-town atmosphere*	Urban	1	6	47	42	4	n=344
	Rural	3	7	36	50	5	n=587
	Comb.	2	6	40	48	4	n=931

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

Please note: As explained in the introduction, the following table presents average values for responses to question 21a; where -2 indicates very unimportant, -1 unimportant, 0 neutral, 1 important and 2 very important. Differences between urban and rural responses that are NOT statistically significant are marked with an asterisk.



21b. From the list above, circle the letters next to the TWO community characteristics that are most important to you. (Percent selecting as one of two most important community characteristics*):



^ Note: each respondent could select 2 items on the list; the n-value indicates the total number of responses.

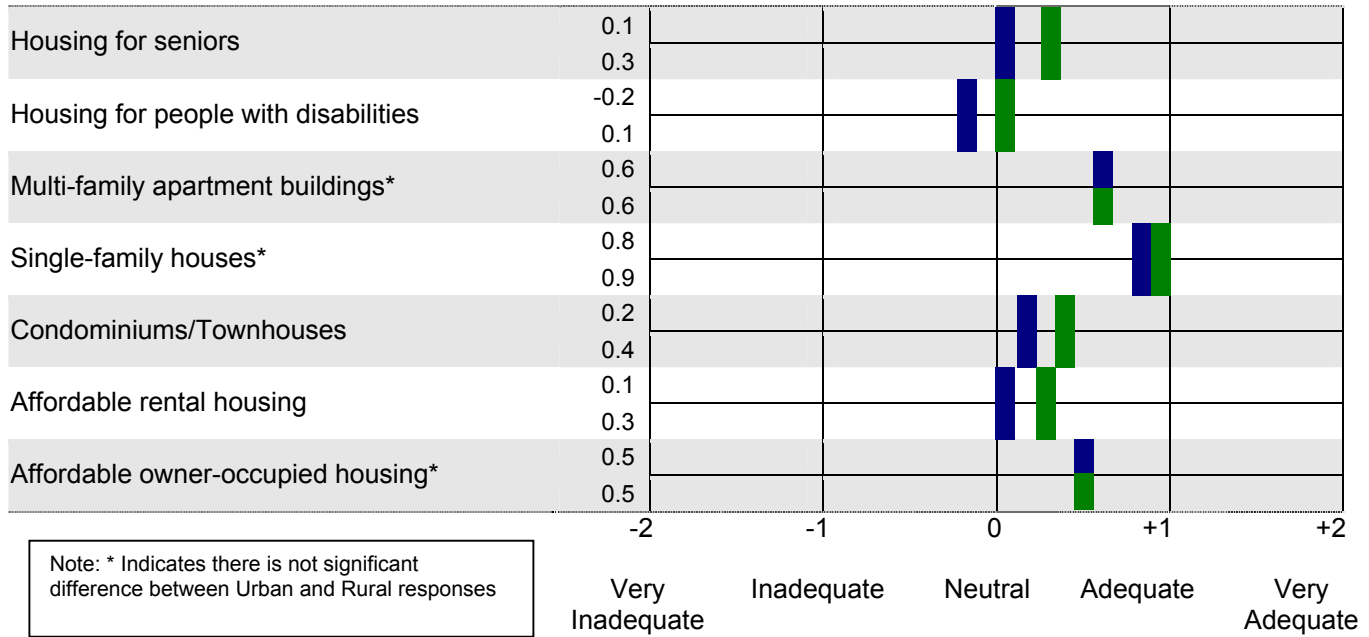
Housing

22. In your opinion, how adequate is the **current** availability of housing options in your community?
(Numbers represent percent of responses)

		Very Inadequate	Inadequate	Adequate	Very Adequate	No opinion	
Housing for seniors	Urban	9	27	38	8	19	n=343
	Rural	5	21	45	5	24	n=583
	Comb.	6	23	42	6	22	n=926
Housing for people with disabilities	Urban	9	29	27	3	33	n=337
	Rural	5	22	35	3	35	n=581
	Comb.	7	24	32	3	34	n=918
Multi-family apartment buildings*	Urban	3	12	55	12	18	n=339
	Rural	2	9	49	11	30	n=577
	Comb.	2	10	51	11	25	n=916
Single-family houses*	Urban	2	10	64	16	8	n=338
	Rural	2	5	60	17	16	n=579
	Comb.	2	7	62	17	13	n=917
Condominiums/townhouses	Urban	8	18	41	8	25	n=336
	Rural	3	11	41	8	37	n=577
	Comb.	5	14	41	8	32	n=913
Affordable rental housing	Urban	9	27	37	7	20	n=340
	Rural	4	19	40	7	31	n=581
	Comb.	6	22	39	7	27	n=921
Affordable owner-occupied housing*	Urban	4	16	55	9	17	n=339
	Rural	3	11	55	8	23	n=580
	Comb.	3	13	55	8	21	n=919

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

Chart of Question 22 average values: **Urban:** █ **Rural:** █



Recreation

23. In your opinion, how adequate is the **current** availability of the following recreational areas in the Fulton County? (Numbers represent percent of responses)

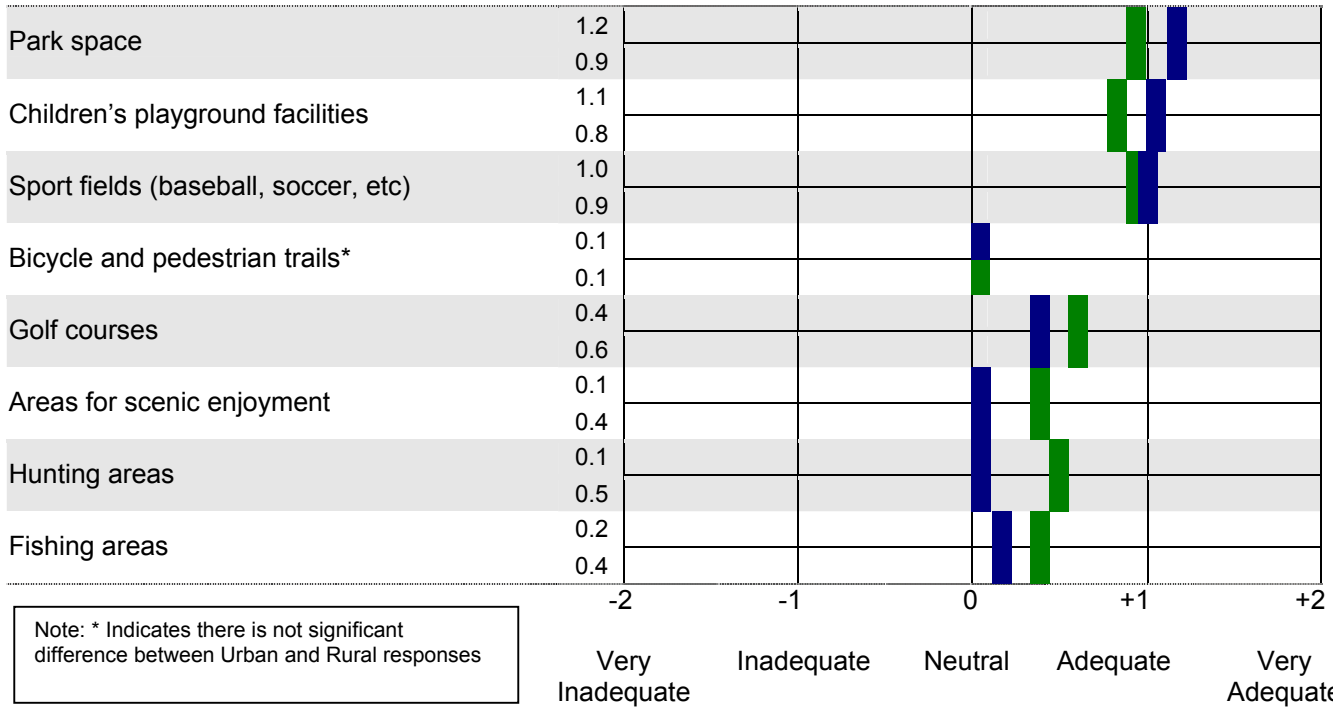
		Very Inadequate	Inadequate	Adequate	Very Adequate	No opinion	
Park space	Urban	1	7	50	39	2	n=346
	Rural	3	8	59	23	8	n=590
	Comb.	3	8	55	29	5	n=936
Children's playground facilities	Urban	2	8	56	31	3	n=342
	Rural	2	10	58	21	9	n=591
	Comb.	2	9	57	24	7	n=933
Sport fields (baseball, soccer, etc.)	Urban	2	9	52	32	5	n=344
	Rural	2	10	57	21	11	n=582
	Comb.	2	10	55	25	9	n=926
Bicycle and pedestrian trails*	Urban	9	31	39	12	8	n=344
	Rural	9	30	37	11	13	n=588
	Comb.	9	31	38	12	11	n=932
Golf courses	Urban	11	11	44	16	19	n=340
	Rural	4	9	47	17	23	n=586
	Comb.	7	10	46	16	21	n=926
Areas for scenic enjoyment	Urban	9	29	45	6	11	n=347
	Rural	5	24	46	12	13	n=584
	Comb.	7	26	46	10	12	n=921
Hunting areas	Urban	10	14	33	5	38	n=341
	Rural	6	14	48	12	22	n=587
	Comb.	7	14	42	9	28	n=928
Fishing areas	Urban	8	17	44	6	27	n=343
	Rural	5	18	48	11	19	n=588
	Comb.	6	17	46	9	22	n=931
Other*	Urban	32	21	21	4	21	n=28
	Rural	20	11	7	14	48	n=56
	Comb.	24	14	12	11	39	n=84

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

Chart of Question 23 average values: **Urban:**



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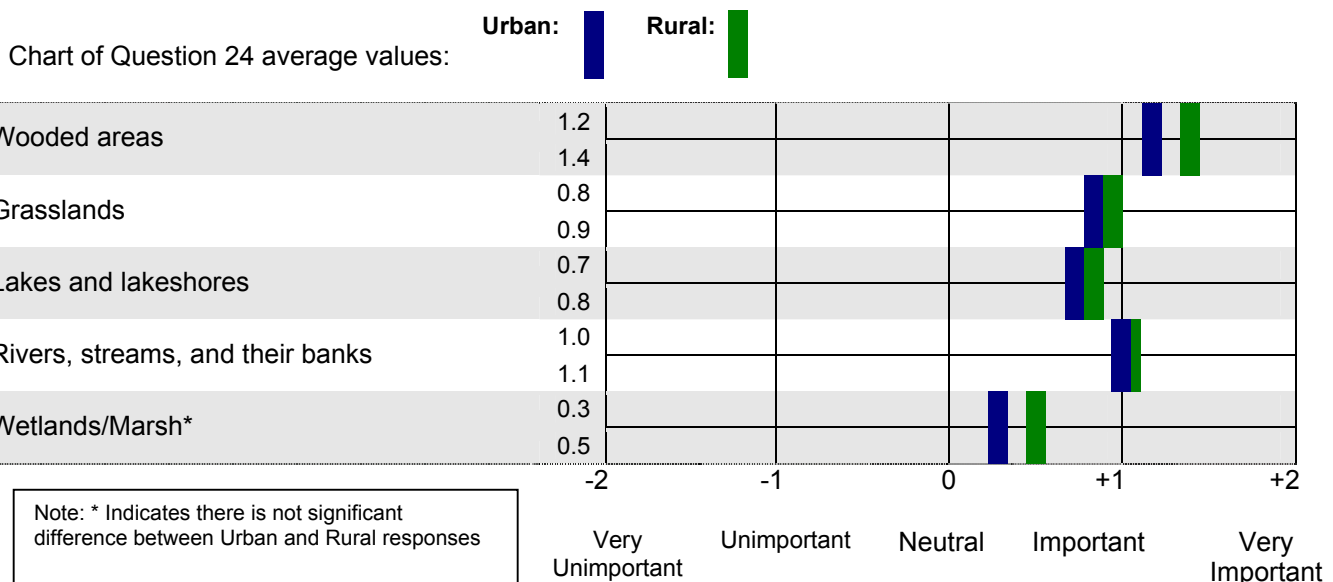


Natural Resources and Landscape

24. How important to you are the following natural resource and landscape features in and around Fulton County? (Numbers represent percent of responses)

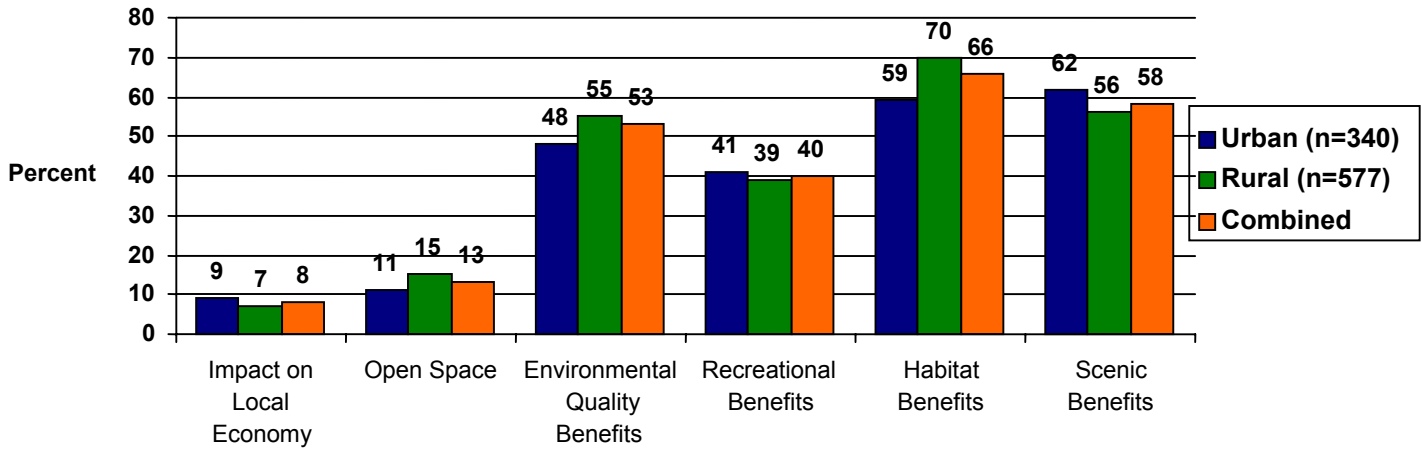
		Very Unimportant	Unimportant	Important	Very Important	No opinion	
Wooded areas	Urban	1	5	53	35	6	n=343
	Rural	3	3	36	54	4	n=584
	Comb.	2	4	42	47	5	n=927
Grasslands	Urban	0	14	53	19	14	n=341
	Rural	3	12	43	34	8	n=579
	Comb.	2	13	46	29	10	n=920
Lakes and lakeshores	Urban	2	16	43	21	19	n=338
	Rural	4	14	34	34	13	n=575
	Comb.	3	15	37	30	15	n=913
Rivers, streams, and their banks	Urban	1	8	54	27	11	n=341
	Rural	3	6	43	40	8	n=584
	Comb.	3	7	47	35	9	n=925
Wetlands/Marsh*	Urban	7	21	37	16	19	n=341
	Rural	10	19	32	27	12	n=582
	Comb.	9	20	34	23	14	n=923
Other*	Urban	0	0	24	18	59	n=17
	Rural	2	2	5	43	48	n=42
	Comb.	2	2	20	34	14	n=59

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.



25. Which aspects associated with each natural resource and landscape feature in and around Fulton County are important to you? (n=917)

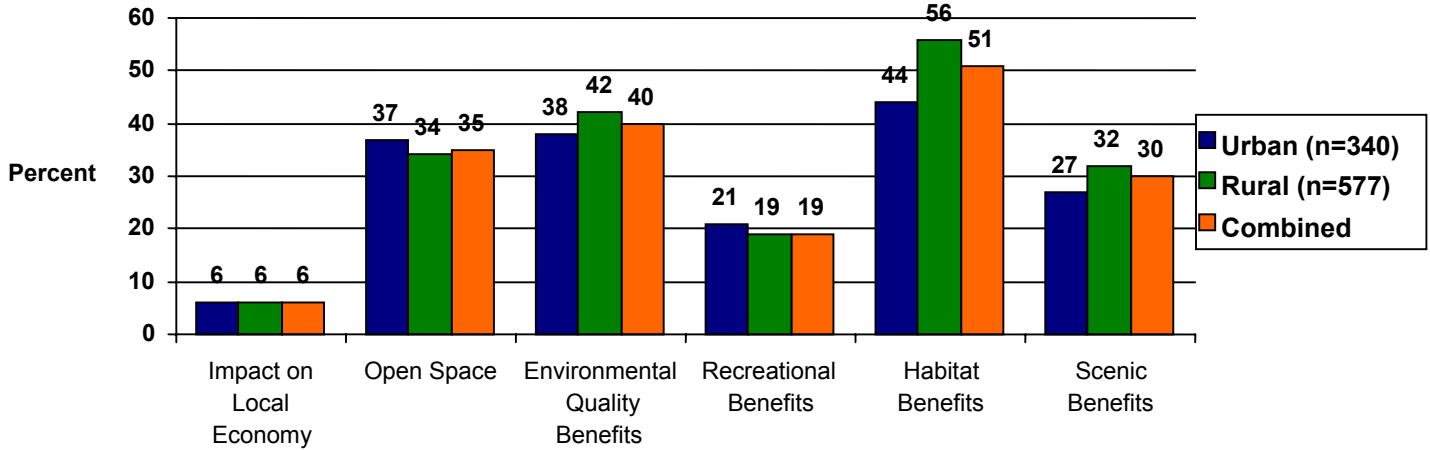
Wooded areas



	Combined	Urban	Rural
Impact on local economy*	8%	9%	7%
Open space*	13%	11%	15%
Environmental quality benefits	53%	48%	55%
Recreational benefits*	40%	41%	39%
Habitat benefits	66%	59%	70%
Scenic benefits*	58%	62%	56%

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

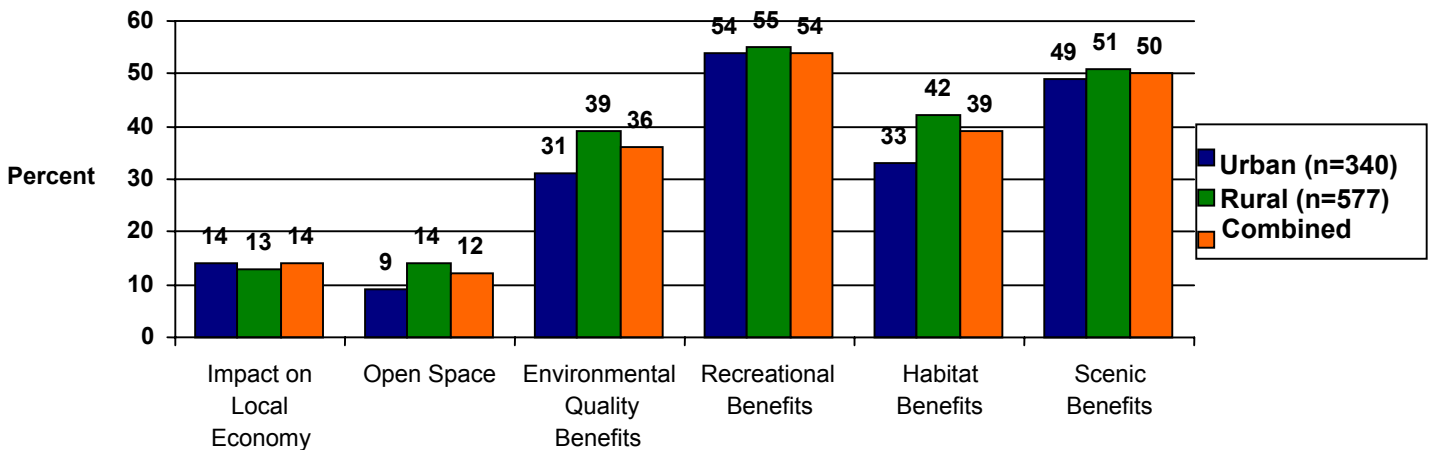
Grasslands



	Combined	Urban	Rural
Impact on local economy*	6%	6%	6%
Open space*	35%	37%	34%
Environmental quality benefits*	40%	38%	42%
Recreational benefits*	19%	21%	19%
Habitat benefits	51%	44%	56%
Scenic benefits*	30%	27%	32%

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

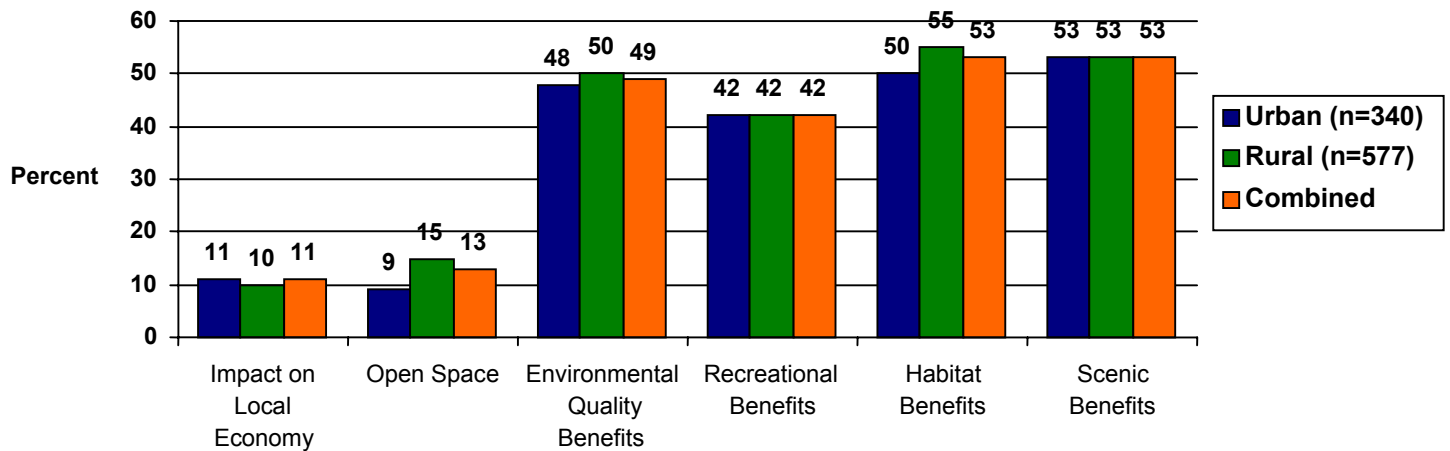
Lakes and lakeshores



	Combined	Urban	Rural
Impact on local economy*	14%	14%	13%
Open space	12%	9%	14%
Environmental quality benefits	36%	31%	39%
Recreational benefits*	54%	54%	55%
Habitat benefits	39%	33%	42%
Scenic benefits*	50%	49%	51%

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

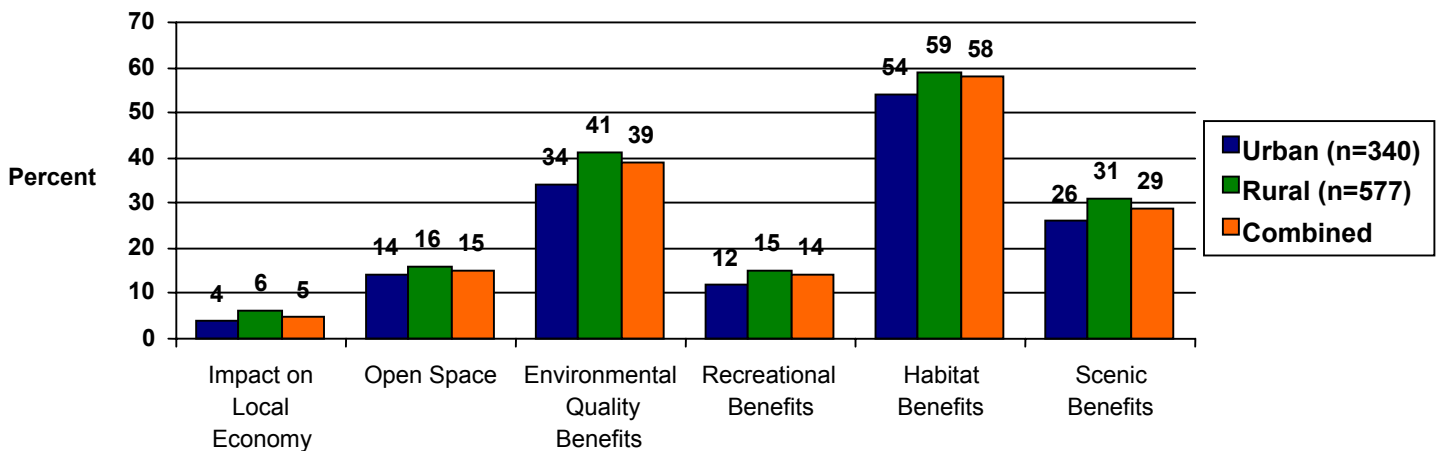
Rivers, streams, and their banks



	Combined	Urban	Rural
Impact on local economy*	11%	11%	10%
Open space	12%	9%	15%
Environmental quality benefits*	49%	48%	50%
Recreational benefits*	42%	42%	42%
Habitat benefits*	53%	50%	55%
Scenic benefits*	53%	53%	53%

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

Wetlands/Marsh





	Combined	Urban	Rural
Impact on local economy*	5%	4%	6%
Open space*	15%	14%	16%
Environmental quality benefits	39%	34%	41%
Recreational benefits*	14%	12%	15%
Habitat benefits*	58%	54%	59%
Scenic benefits*	29%	26%	31%

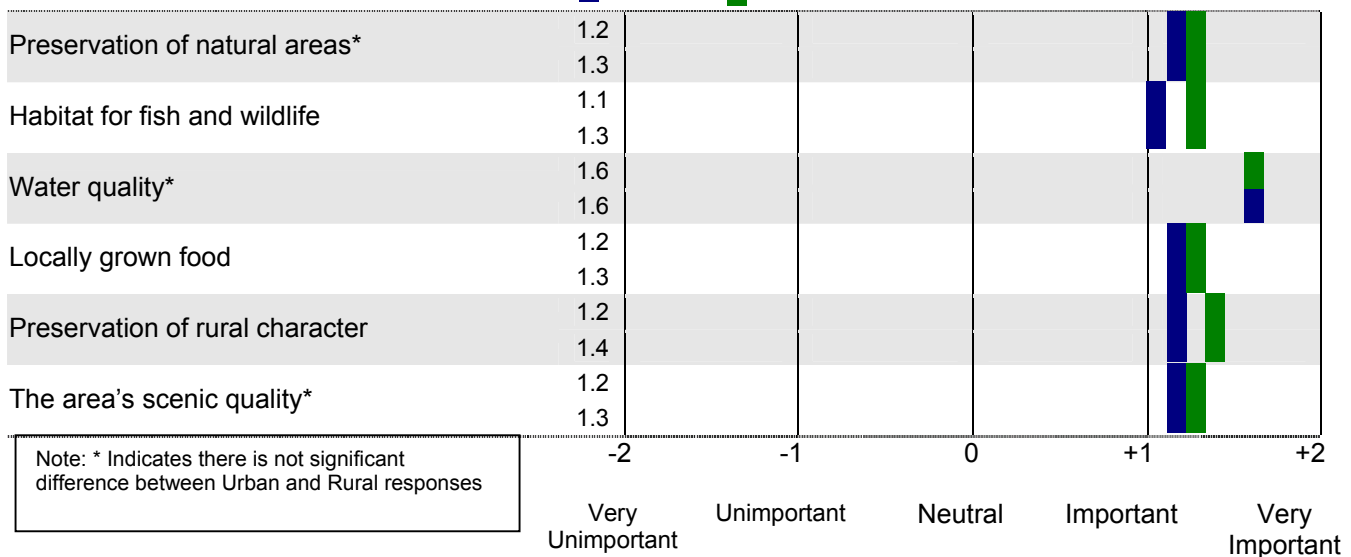
Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

26. How important to you are the following for the area in and around Fulton County? (Numbers represent percent of responses)

		Very Unimportant	Unimportant	Important	Very Important	No Opinion	
Preservation of natural areas*	Urban	3	3	50	41	4	n=336
	Rural	4	2	40	50	4	n=579
	Comb.	4	3	44	46	3	n=915
Habitat for fish and wildlife	Urban	4	4	51	35	7	n=333
	Rural	4	2	41	48	4	n=580
	Comb.	4	3	45	43	5	n=915
Water quality*	Urban	4	1	21	74	1	n=339
	Rural	4	1	15	79	1	n=587
	Comb.	4	1	17	77	1	n=926
Locally grown food	Urban	4	6	44	43	4	n=339
	Rural	4	3	39	52	2	n=585
	Comb.	4	4	41	48	3	n=924
Preservation of rural character	Urban	3	6	42	43	5	n=336
	Rural	4	1	31	60	3	n=579
	Comb.	4	3	35	54	4	n=915
The area's scenic quality*	Urban	3	3	46	41	7	n=332
	Rural	4	3	39	50	5	n=580
	Comb.	3	3	42	47	5	n=915
Other*	Urban	0	0	36	27	36	n=11
	Rural	0	3	6	38	53	n=32
	Comb.	0	2	14	35	49	n=43

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

Chart of Question 26 average values: **Urban:**  **Rural:** 



Farmland

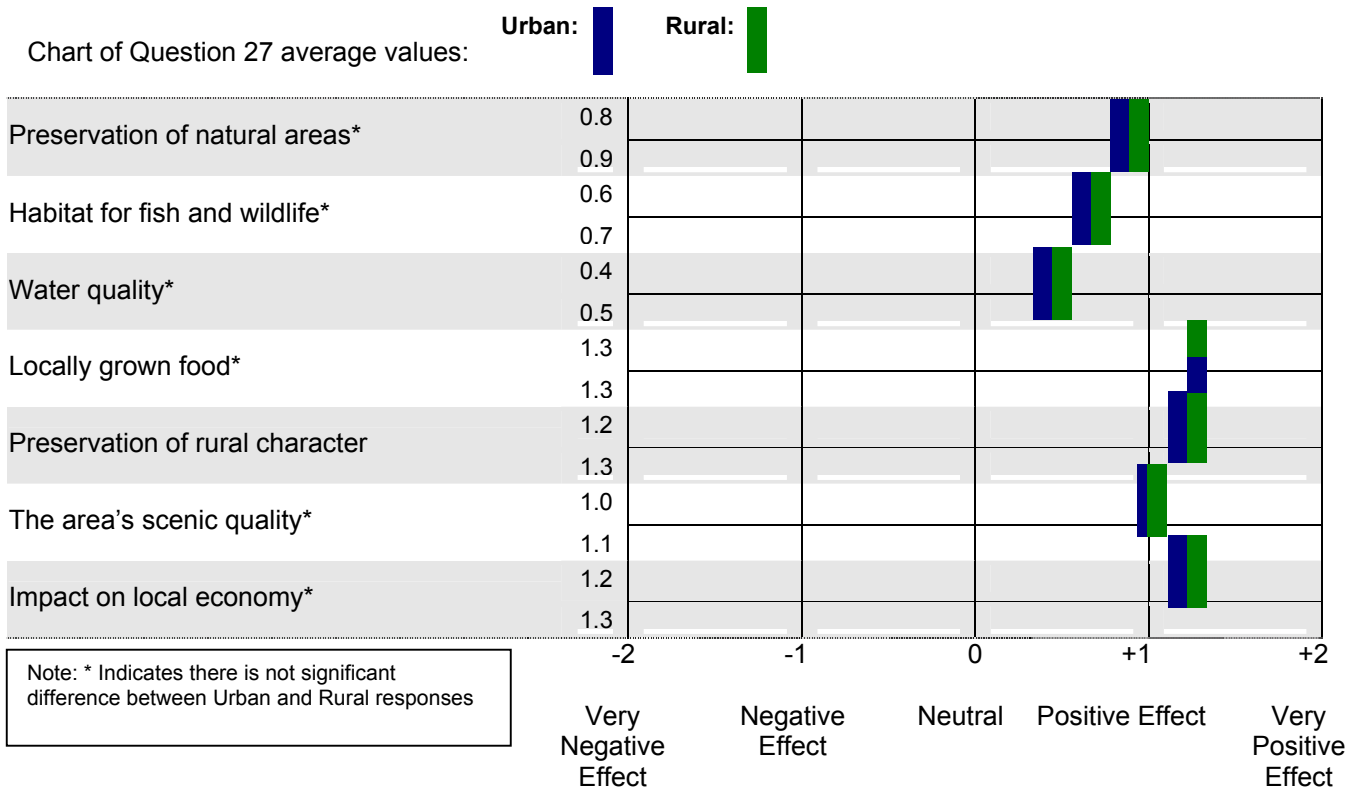
27. In your opinion, what effect does existing farmland have on the following for the area in and around Fulton County? (Numbers represent percent of responses)

		Very Negative Effect	Negative Effect	Positive Effect	Very Positive Effect	No Opinion	
Preservation of natural areas*	Urban	**0	11	49	20	19	n=334
	Rural	1	11	43	28	17	n=572
	Comb.	1	11	45	25	18	n=906
Habitat for fish and wildlife*	Urban	1	15	45	14	25	n=330
	Rural	2	15	40	23	21	n=565
	Comb.	1	15	42	20	23	n=906
Water quality*	Urban	2	24	27	23	24	n=327
	Rural	3	23	27	26	22	n=568
	Comb.	3	23	27	25	23	n=895
Locally grown food*	Urban	0	2	48	40	11	n=330
	Rural	1	2	48	42	8	n=577
	Comb.	**0	2	48	41	9	n=907
Preservation of rural character	Urban	0	2	51	36	11	n=332
	Rural	0	2	45	46	7	n=575
	Comb.	**0	2	47	42	9	n=907
The area's scenic quality*	Urban	**0	4	58	24	14	n=330
	Rural	1	5	50	34	11	n=571
	Comb.	1	5	53	30	12	n=901
Impact on local economy*	Urban	0	2	46	37	14	n=328
	Rural	1	2	42	43	12	n=571
	Comb.	**0	2	44	41	13	n=899
Other*	Urban	14	7	7	29	43	n=14
	Rural	10	3	10	21	55	n=29
	Comb.	12	5	9	23	51	n=43

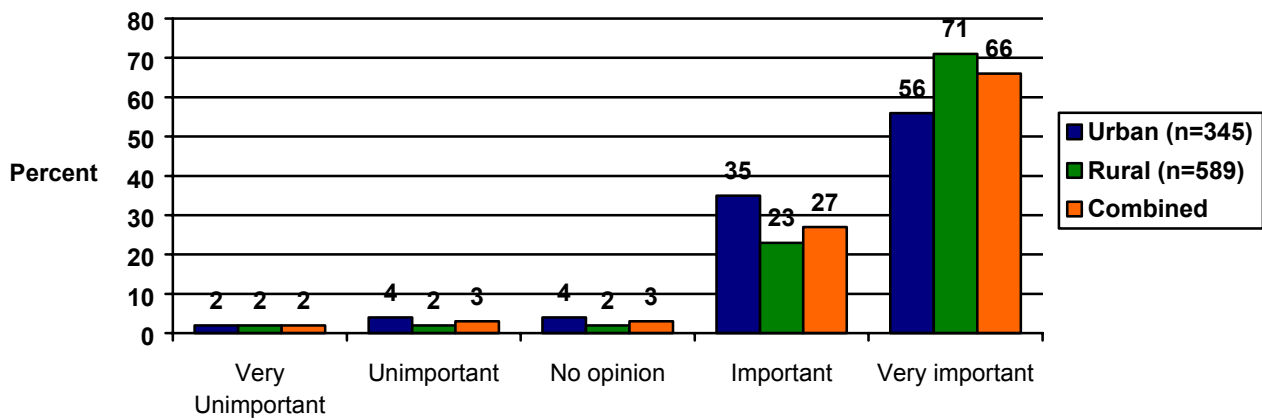
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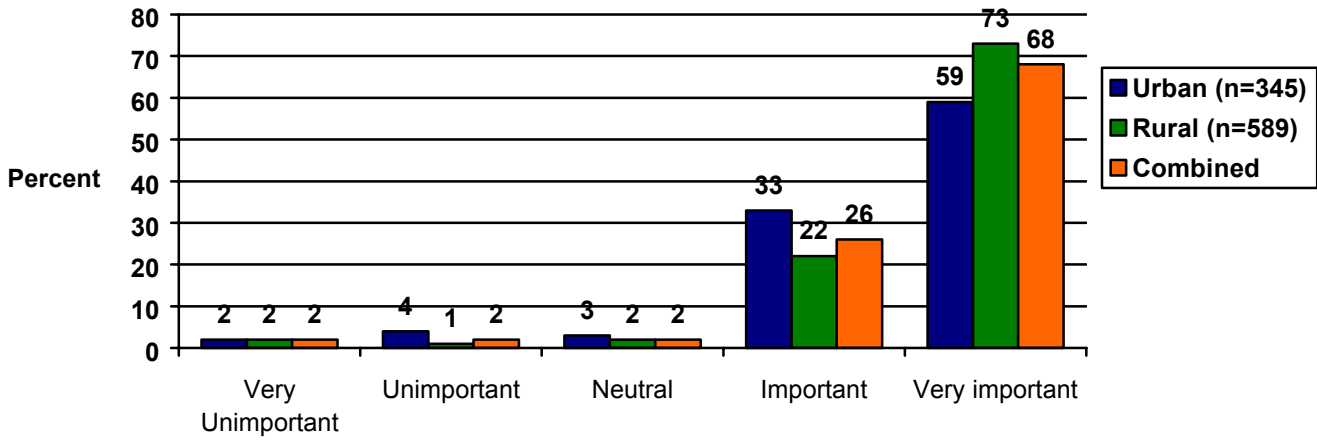


28. In your opinion, how important is protecting farmland in/around your community? (n=934)



	Combined	Urban	Rural
Very unimportant	2%	2%	2%
Unimportant	3%	4%	2%
Important	27%	35%	23%
Very important	66%	56%	71%
No opinion	3%	4%	2%

29. In your opinion, how important is protecting farmland in Fulton County? (n=934)



	Combined	Urban	Rural
Very unimportant	2%	2%	2%
Unimportant	2%	4%	1%
Important	26%	33%	22%
Very important	68%	59%	73%
No opinion	2%	3%	2%

Perspective on Future Development in Your Community

Questions in this section address respondents' ideas and preferences about future development (including residential, commercial and recreational) in Fulton County. For example, 80 percent of respondents would encourage more housing for seniors, but nearly as many (77 percent) would discourage mobile home parks. Urban residents especially would encourage more grocery stores and restaurants, while rural residents were more concerned about future health facilities. In nearly every case, urban respondents were more encouraging (or in some instances less discouraging) regarding development than rural respondents.

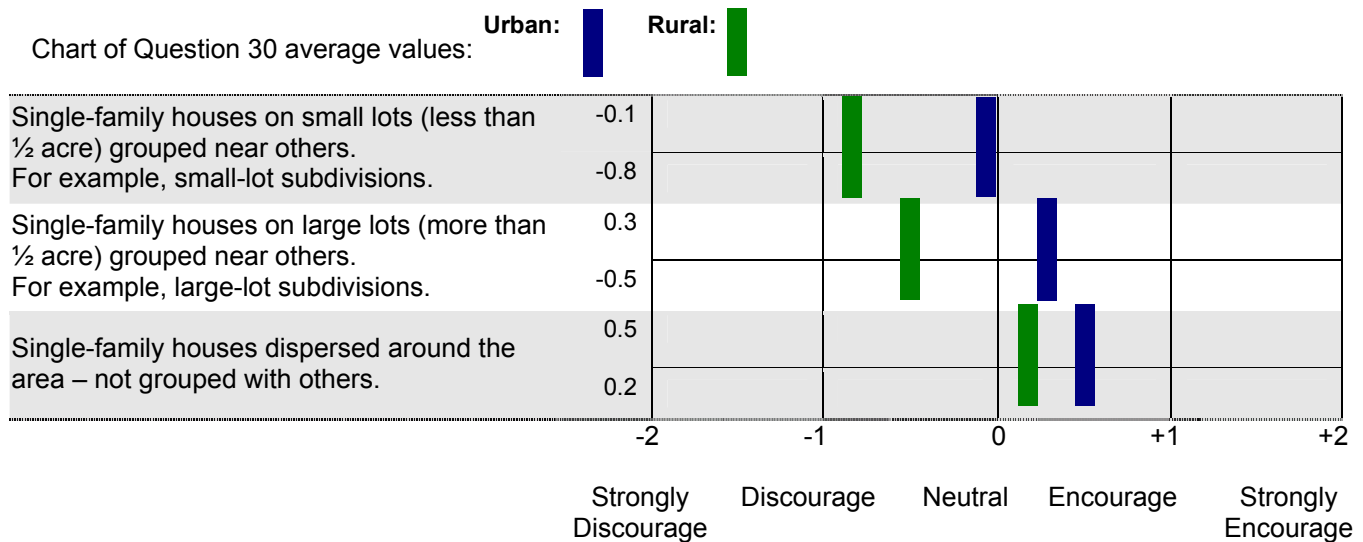
New Housing

30. To what extent would you encourage or discourage the following kinds of **future** single-family housing development in Fulton County? (Numbers represent percent of responses)

		Strongly Discourage	Discourage	Encourage	Strongly Encourage	No Opinion	
Single-family houses on small lots (less than ½ acre [□]) grouped near others. For example, small-lot subdivisions.	Urban	14	30	32	10	14	n=340
	Rural	38	29	17	3	12	n=583
	Comb.	29	30	23	6	13	n=923
Single-family houses on large lots (more than ½ acre [□]) grouped near others. For example, large-lot subdivisions.	Urban	9	21	45	11	15	n=340
	Rural	30	24	26	5	14	n=579
	Comb.	22	23	33	7	15	n=919
Single-family houses dispersed around the area – not grouped with others.	Urban	6	16	44	16	18	n=342
	Rural	16	16	37	16	16	n=582
	Comb.	12	16	40	16	17	n=924

[□] Note: ½ acres = 21, 780 square feet: a square, ½ - acre lot would be about 148 feet x 148 feet.

Chart of Question 30 average values:

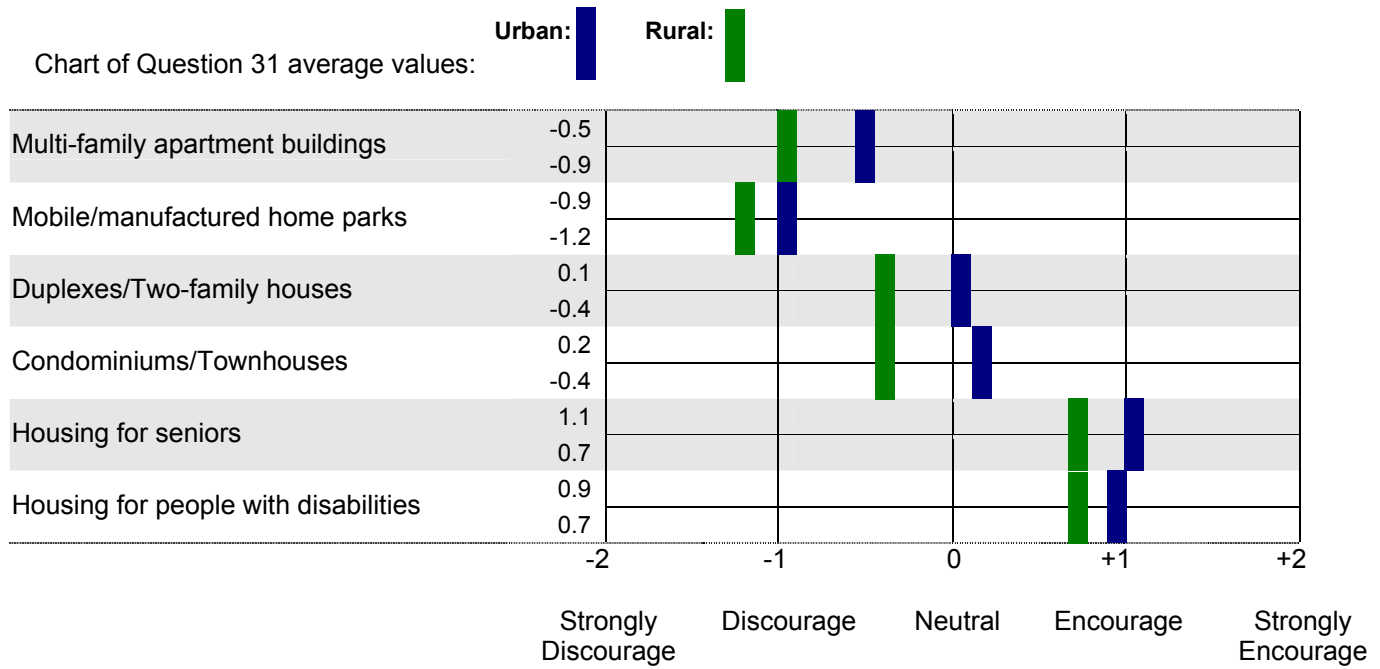


31. To what extent would you encourage or discourage the following kinds of **future** multi-family and special-needs housing development in Fulton County? (Numbers represent percent of responses)

		Strongly Discourage	Discourage	Encourage	Strongly Encourage	No Opinion	
Multi-family apartment buildings	Urban	20	35	25	2	18	n=342
	Rural	36	31	17	1	15	n=583
	Comb.	30	32	20	2	16	n=924
Mobile/manufactured home parks	Urban	32	40	12	2	14	n=342
	Rural	48	31	7	1	12	n=586
	Comb.	42	35	9	2	13	n=928
Duplexes/two-family houses	Urban	11	23	43	3	20	n=339
	Rural	25	25	30	1	19	n=580
	Comb.	20	24	35	2	10	n=919
Condominiums/Townhouses	Urban	10	17	47	7	19	n=338
	Rural	27	22	29	3	19	n=581
	Comb.	21	20	36	5	19	n=919
Housing for seniors	Urban	1	3	58	28	9	n=342
	Rural	8	5	55	19	13	n=588
	Comb.	5	4	57	23	12	n=930
Housing for people with disabilities	Urban	2	4	55	22	17	n=338
	Rural	8	6	52	17	17	n=586
	Comb.	6	6	53	19	17	n=924
Other*	Urban	14	0	7	7	71	n=14
	Rural	17	4	9	9	61	n=23
	Comb.	16	3	8	8	65	n=37

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

Chart of Question 31 average values:



New Industry and Production

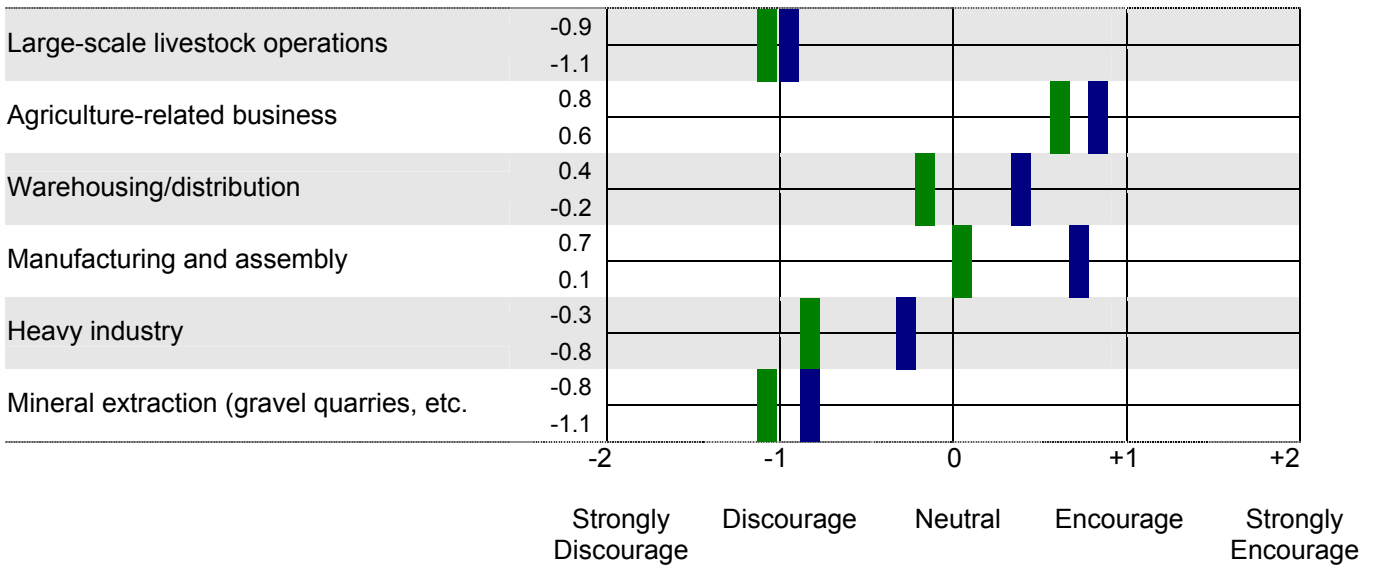
32. To what extent would you encourage or discourage the following kinds of **future** industrial development in Fulton County? (Numbers represent percent of responses)

		Strongly Discourage	Discourage	Encourage	Strongly Encourage	Neutral	
Large-scale livestock operations	Urban	34	36	13	3	16	n=343
	Rural	47	28	12	1	12	n=588
	Comb.	42	31	12	2	13	n=931
Agriculture-related business	Urban	3	5	66	12	15	n=340
	Rural	6	8	63	10	13	n=585
	Comb.	4	7	64	11	14	n=925
Warehousing/distribution	Urban	6	16	50	9	19	n=343
	Rural	18	27	36	5	14	n=578
	Comb.	14	23	41	6	16	n=921
Manufacturing and assembly	Urban	5	9	55	19	13	n=344
	Rural	19	16	44	11	10	n=586
	Comb.	14	13	48	14	11	n=930
Heavy industry	Urban	17	35	25	9	15	n=343
	Rural	36	32	17	5	11	n=586
	Comb.	29	33	20	6	13	n=929
Mineral extraction (gravel quarries, etc.)	Urban	30	38	11	2	19	n=344
	Rural	48	30	7	3	13	n=586
	Comb.	41	33	9	2	15	n=930
Other*	Urban	25	0	0	17	58	n=12
	Rural	36	11	0	11	43	n=28
	Comb.	33	8	0	13	48	n=40

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

Chart of Question 32 average values:

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New Recreation

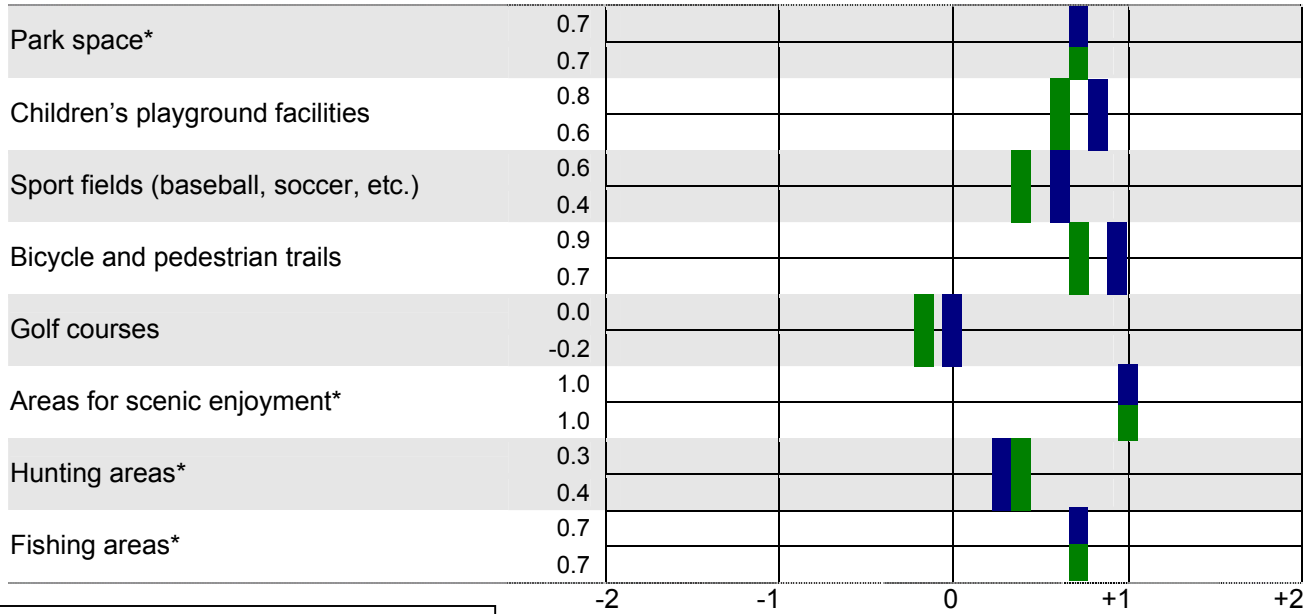
33. To what extent would you encourage or discourage the following kinds of **future** recreational developments in Fulton County? (Numbers represent percent of responses)

		Strongly Discourage	Discourage	Encourage	Strongly Encourage	Neutral	
Park space*	Urban	2	12	51	18	17	n=340
	Rural	3	10	51	16	20	n=575
	Comb.	3	11	51	16	19	n=915
Children's playground facilities	Urban	1	10	54	19	16	n=339
	Rural	3	9	51	14	23	n=570
	Comb.	2	10	52	16	20	n=909
Sport fields (baseball, soccer, etc.)	Urban	2	15	49	16	18	n=340
	Rural	6	17	40	12	25	n=573
	Comb.	5	16	44	13	22	n=913
Bicycle and pedestrian trails	Urban	2	6	48	27	17	n=339
	Rural	5	11	47	20	17	n=574
	Comb.	4	9	47	23	17	n=913
Golf courses	Urban	11	24	27	10	29	n=339
	Rural	14	29	25	6	27	n=572
	Comb.	12	27	25	7	28	n=911
Areas for scenic enjoyment*	Urban	1	4	53	28	15	n=340
	Rural	2	4	50	27	18	n=571
	Comb.	2	4	51	27	17	n=911
Hunting areas*	Urban	6	17	33	13	32	n=340
	Rural	7	14	37	16	26	n=576
	Comb.	7	15	36	15	28	n=916
Fishing areas*	Urban	2	7	47	15	29	n=341
	Rural	3	7	46	21	23	n=575
	Comb.	3	7	46	19	25	n=916
Other*	Urban	0	0	38	31	31	n=16
	Rural	11	3	3	44	39	n=36
	Comb.	8	2	14	40	37	n=52

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

Chart of Question 33 average values:

Urban: █ Rural: █



Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses

Strongly Discourage Discourage Neutral Encourage Strongly Encourage

New Commercial Development and Services

34. To what extent would you encourage or discourage the following kinds of **future** commercial and service-related development in Fulton County? ? (Numbers represent percent of responses)

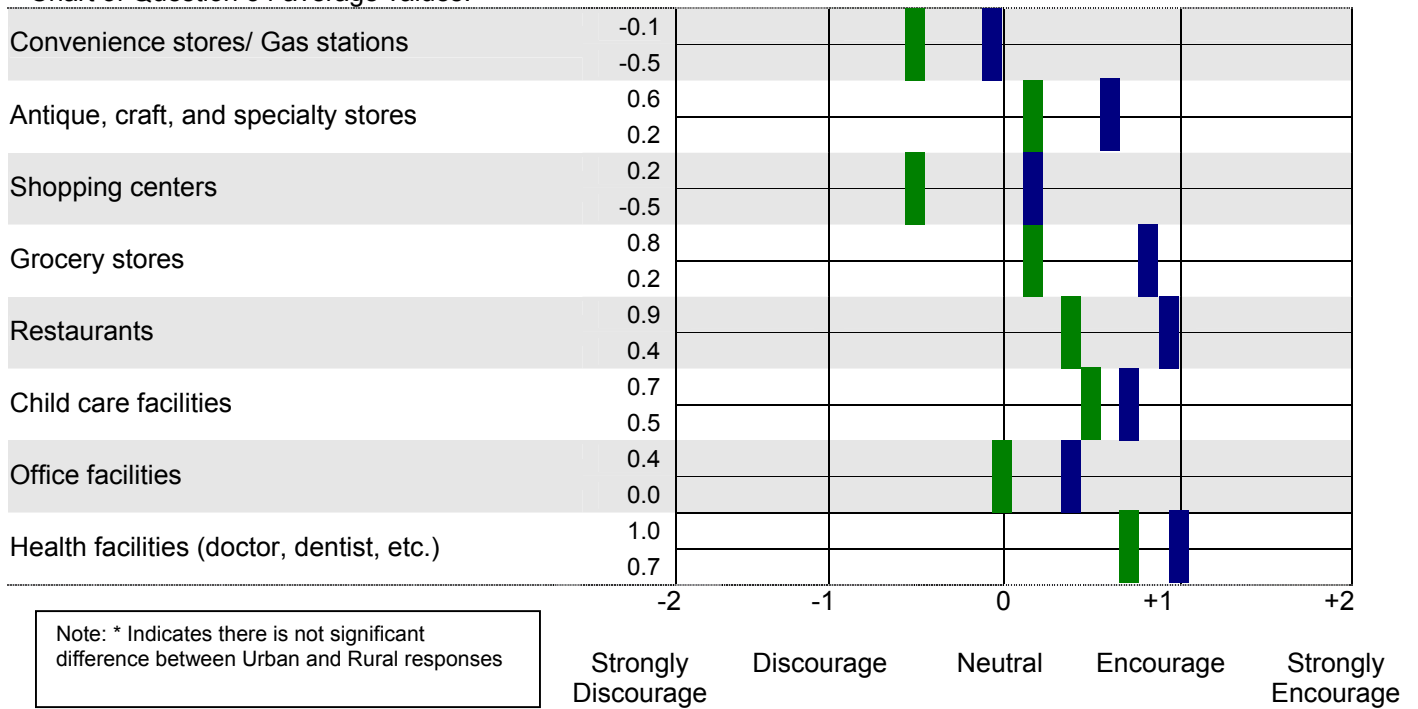
		Strongly Discourage	Discourage	Encourage	Strongly Encourage	Neutral	
Convenience stores/ Gas stations	Urban	7	35	30	5	23	n=340
	Rural	18	39	22	3	17	n=572
	Comb.	14	38	25	4	19	n=912
Antique, craft, and specialty stores	Urban	2	11	52	10	25	n=339
	Rural	10	19	42	9	21	n=573
	Comb.	7	16	46	9	23	n=912
Shopping centers	Urban	7	28	36	11	18	n=334
	Rural	21	35	22	6	13	n=574
	Comb.	18	32	27	8	15	n=908
Grocery stores	Urban	3	11	54	21	11	n=340
	Rural	12	19	46	11	14	n=573
	Comb.	8	16	49	14	13	n=913
Restaurants	Urban	2	11	49	27	12	n=340
	Rural	9	16	47	12	16	n=575
	Comb.	7	14	47	18	15	n=915
Child care facilities	Urban	2	8	54	16	21	n=338
	Rural	6	11	49	10	25	n=573
	Comb.	5	10	51	12	23	n=911
Office facilities	Urban	4	14	45	8	29	n=337
	Rural	11	22	30	5	32	n=567
	Comb.	9	19	35	6	31	n=904
Health facilities (doctor, dentist, etc.)	Urban	1	6	51	27	15	n=339
	Rural	5	7	48	20	19	n=574
	Comb.	4	7	49	23	18	n=913
Other*	Urban	11	0	11	44	33	n=9
	Rural	10	10	7	37	37	n=30
	Comb.	10	8	8	39	36	n=39

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

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Urban: ■ Rural: ■

Chart of Question 34 average values:





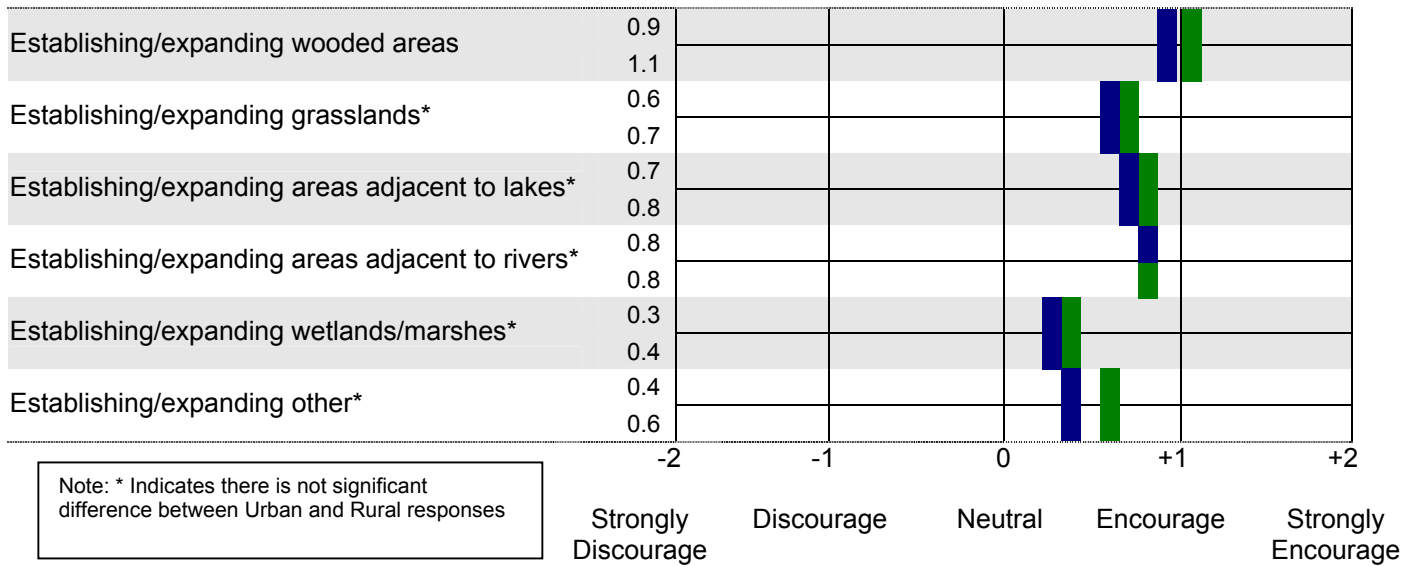
New Conservation Areas

35. To what extent would you encourage or discourage establishing or expanding the following types of conservation areas in and around your community?

		Strongly Discourage	Discourage	Encourage	Strongly Encourage	Neutral	
Establishing/expanding wooded areas	Urban	1	5	52	25	18	n=340
	Rural	1	3	49	31	15	n=573
	Comb.	1	4	50	29	16	n=913
Establishing/expanding grasslands*	Urban	2	10	45	16	28	n=336
	Rural	2	8	45	21	24	n=570
	Comb.	2	9	45	19	26	n=906
Establishing/expanding areas adjacent to lakes*	Urban	1	5	45	18	32	n=332
	Rural	1	6	45	23	25	n=569
	Comb.	1	6	45	21	27	n=901
Establishing/expanding areas adjacent to rivers*	Urban	1	6	51	18	25	n=336
	Rural	1	8	45	24	23	n=568
	Comb.	1	7	48	22	24	n=904
Establishing/expanding wetlands/marsh*	Urban	5	20	32	13	31	n=337
	Rural	8	14	35	18	25	n=569
	Comb.	7	16	34	16	27	n=906
Establishing/expanding other*	Urban	0	0	25	8	67	n=12
	Rural	0	6	6	29	59	n=34
	Comb.	0	4	11	24	61	n=46

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

Chart of Question 35 average values: **Urban:**  **Rural:** 



36. Please indicate the areas on the map below where you would direct **new housing development** within your township. The final report will include each township. Maps for individual townships appear in Appendix D.

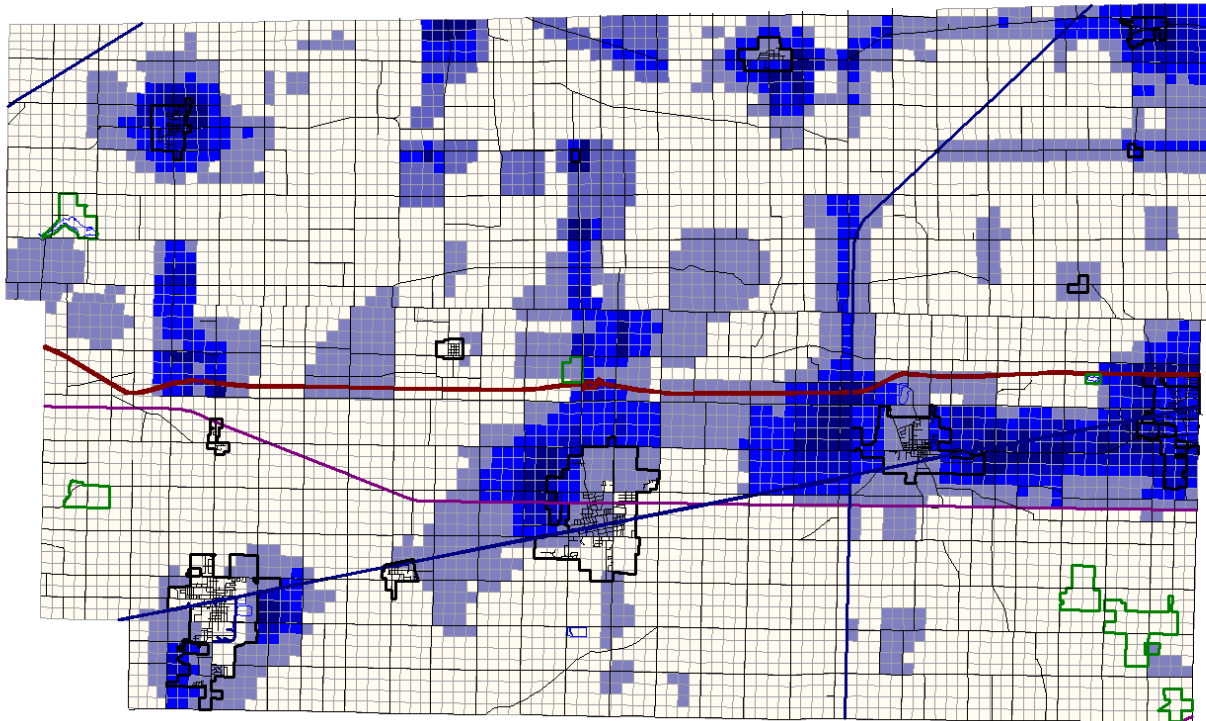
Fulton County Housing Development



Note: Darker areas indicate a higher number of responses.

37. Please indicate the areas on the map below where you would direct **new industrial and production development** within your township. The final report will include each township. Maps for individual townships appear in Appendix D.

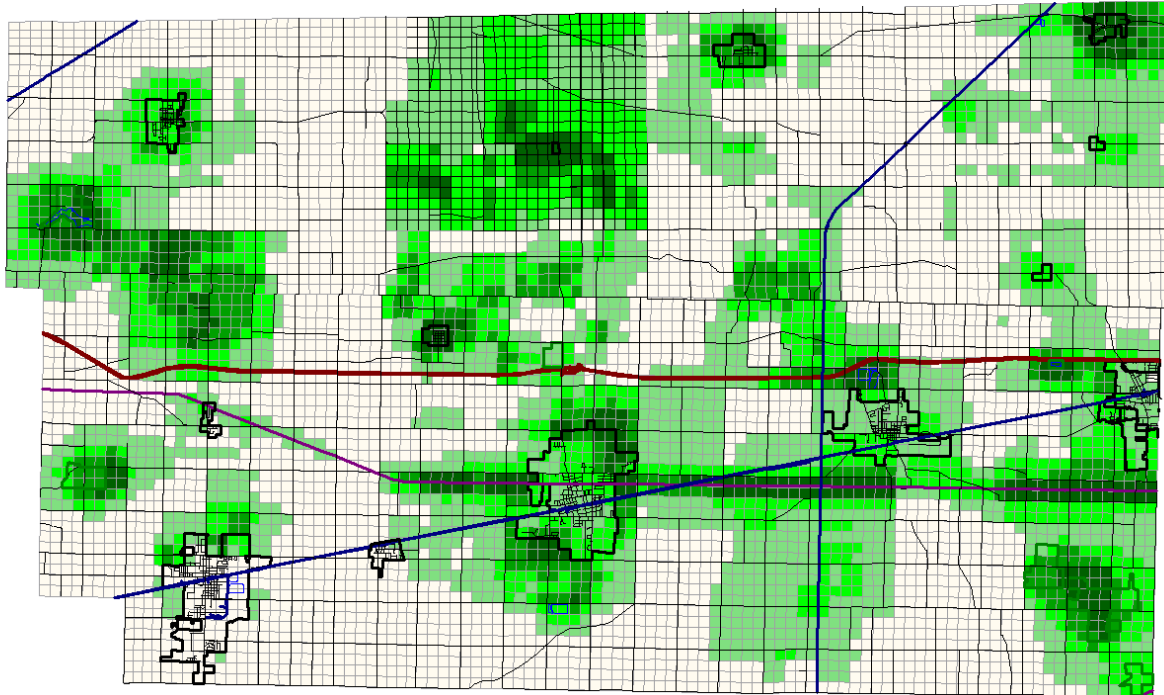
Fulton County Industrial Development



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38. Please indicate the areas on the map below where you would direct **new recreational development** within your township. The final report will include each township. Maps for individual townships appear in Appendix D.

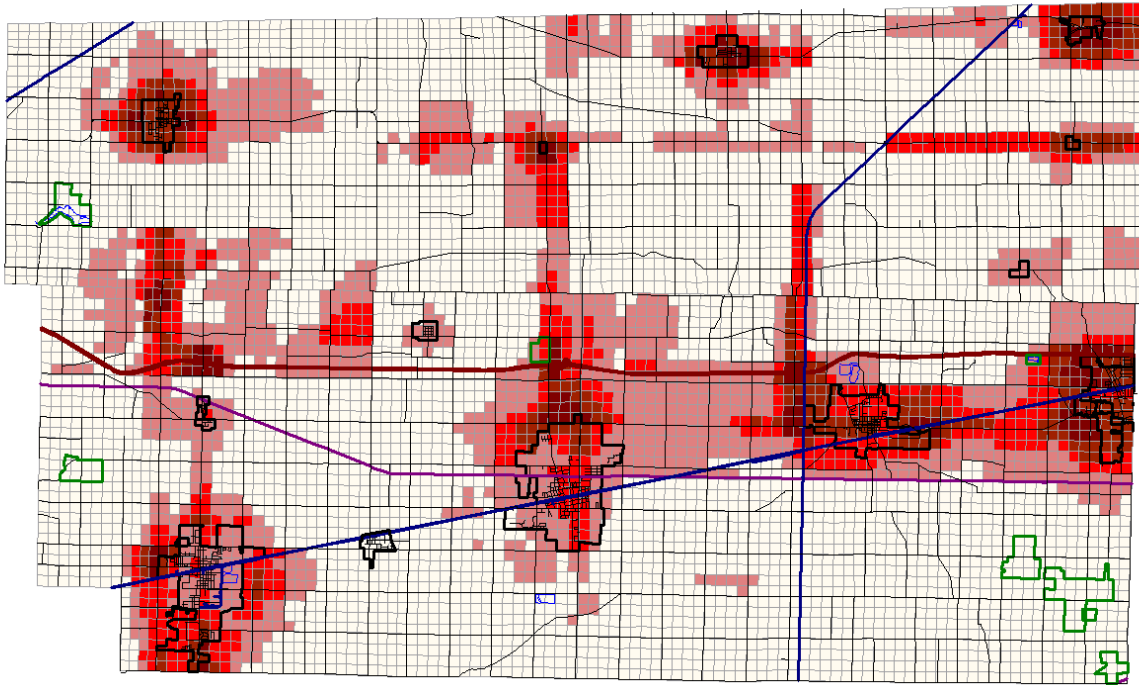
Fulton County Recreational Development



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39. Please indicate the areas on the map below where you would direct **new commercial and service-related development** within your township. The final report will include each township. Maps for individual townships appear in Appendix D.

Fulton County Housing Development



Note: Darker areas indicate a higher number of responses.

40-43. These questions asked respondents about areas they liked the most and the least in their townships and in Fulton County. These lists include only locations that were mentioned by at least four respondents:

Amboy

40. Places liked *most* in township:

Metamora Park, Evergreen High School, Metamora, Assumption, St. Mary's Church/Assumption, Metamora Reservoir, Rural Area around Metamora, Hwy 120 South of Metamora, My Home

41. Places liked *least* in township:

Junkyard on S and 4-1, Old Whiteville Grain Elevator, Housing on 2 North of Assumption, Assumption

42. Places liked *most* in Fulton County:

Fulton County Fairgrounds, Archbold, Wauseon, Metamora, Farmland

43. Places liked *least* in Fulton County:

Junkyards

Chesterfield

40. Places liked *most* in township:

Old Chesterfield School, Old Grange Building

41. Places liked *least* in township:

Oakshade Racetrack

42. Places liked *most* in Fulton County:

Harrison Lake, Wauseon, Archbold,, Goll Woods, Pettisville

43. Places liked *least* in Fulton County:

No location received more than three responses.

Clinton

40. Places liked *most* in township:

Homecoming Park, Rails-to-Trails, Reservoir, Pettisville, Reichard Park, Ironwood Golf Course, Pettisville Park, Downtown Wauseon, Fulton Co. Court House, Wauseon

41. Places liked *least* in township:

N Shoop Avenue, Empty Stores, Railway through Wauseon, Hwy 108

42. Places liked *most* in Fulton County:

Goll Woods, Harrison Lake, Wauseon, Pettisville, Archbold, Fulton Co. Fairgrounds, Homecoming Park, Maumee State Forest, Saunders Village, Delta

43. Places liked *least* in Fulton County:

Tedrow , Delta/North Star Steel Mill, Mega Farms, Fayette, Delta , Lyons

Dover

40. Places liked *most* in township:

Fulton Co Fairgrounds, Ottokee, Tedrow, My Home

41. Places liked *least* in township:

Tedrow

42. Places liked *most* in Fulton County:

Wauseon, Goll Woods, Pettisville, Harrison Lake, Archbold

43. Places liked *least* in Fulton County:

Steel Mills

Franklin

40. Places liked *most* in township:

Wetlands, Wildlife Habitat, Harrison Lake, Zone School

41. Places liked *least* in township:

Junk Yards, Wetlands, Flooding

42. Places liked *most* in Fulton County:

Harrison Lake, Goll Woods, Wauseon, Archbold, Pettisville

43. Places liked *least* in Fulton County:

Swanton

Fulton

40. Places liked *most* in township:

Reservoir/Fulton Pond, AI, Swanton

41. Places liked *least* in township:

AI Trailer Park, AI

42. Places liked *most* in Fulton County:

Wauseon, Maumee St Forest, Fulton Co Fairgrounds, Swanton, Goll Woods, Saunders Village, Small Farms, Camp Palmer, Delta Reservoir

43. Places liked *least* in Fulton County:

Delta Steel

German

40. Places liked *most* in township:

Goll Woods, Saunders Village, Archbold Reservoir, Parks, Archbold, Rails-to-Trails, Schools

41. Places liked *least* in township:

No locations received more than three responses.

42. Places liked *most* in Fulton County:

Goll Woods, Harrison Lake, Archbold, Pettisville, Wauseon, Fulton Co Fairgrounds, Saunders Village

43. Places liked *least* in Fulton County:

Delta Steel

Gorham

40. Places liked *most* in township:

Harrison Lake, Fayette, Camp Palmer, School & Park, My Home

41. Places liked *least* in township:

Run-down Buildings

42. Places liked *most* in Fulton County:

Wauseon, Harrison Lake, Archbold, Fulton Co Fairgrounds, Goll Woods, Fayette, Saunders Village

43. Places liked *least* in Fulton County:

No location received more than three responses.

Pike

40. Places liked *most* in township:

Winameg, Reservoir, Council Oak

41. Places liked *least* in township:

Junk & Garbage, Co Road N

42. Places liked *most* in Fulton County:

Wauseon, Harrison Lake, Goll Woods, Delta, Winameg, Maumee State Forest, Ottokee

43. Places liked *least* in Fulton County:

BHP Steel Mill

Royalton

40. Places liked *most* in township:

Lyons, All, Wetlands, Ball Park

41. Places liked *least* in township:

No locations received more than three responses.

42. Places liked *most* in Fulton County:

Harrison Lake, Wauseon, Fulton Co Fairgrounds, Lyons, Delta, Goll Woods, Delta Reservoir

43. Places liked *least* in Fulton County:

North Star Steel

Swan Creek

40. Places liked *most* in township:

Maumee State Forest, Rails-to-Trails, Oak Openings, Parks

41. Places liked *least* in township:

Sand Pits, Trailer Park

42. Places liked *most* in Fulton County:

Delta, Swanton, Wauseon, Maumee State Forest, Delta Reservoir, Harrison Lake, Saunders Village,

43. Places liked *least* in Fulton County:

Steel Mill, Sand Pits

York

40. Places liked *most* in township:

Farmland, Delta Reservoir

41. Places liked *least* in township:

NSBHP

42. Places liked *most* in Fulton County:
Harrison Lake, Delta, Goll Woods

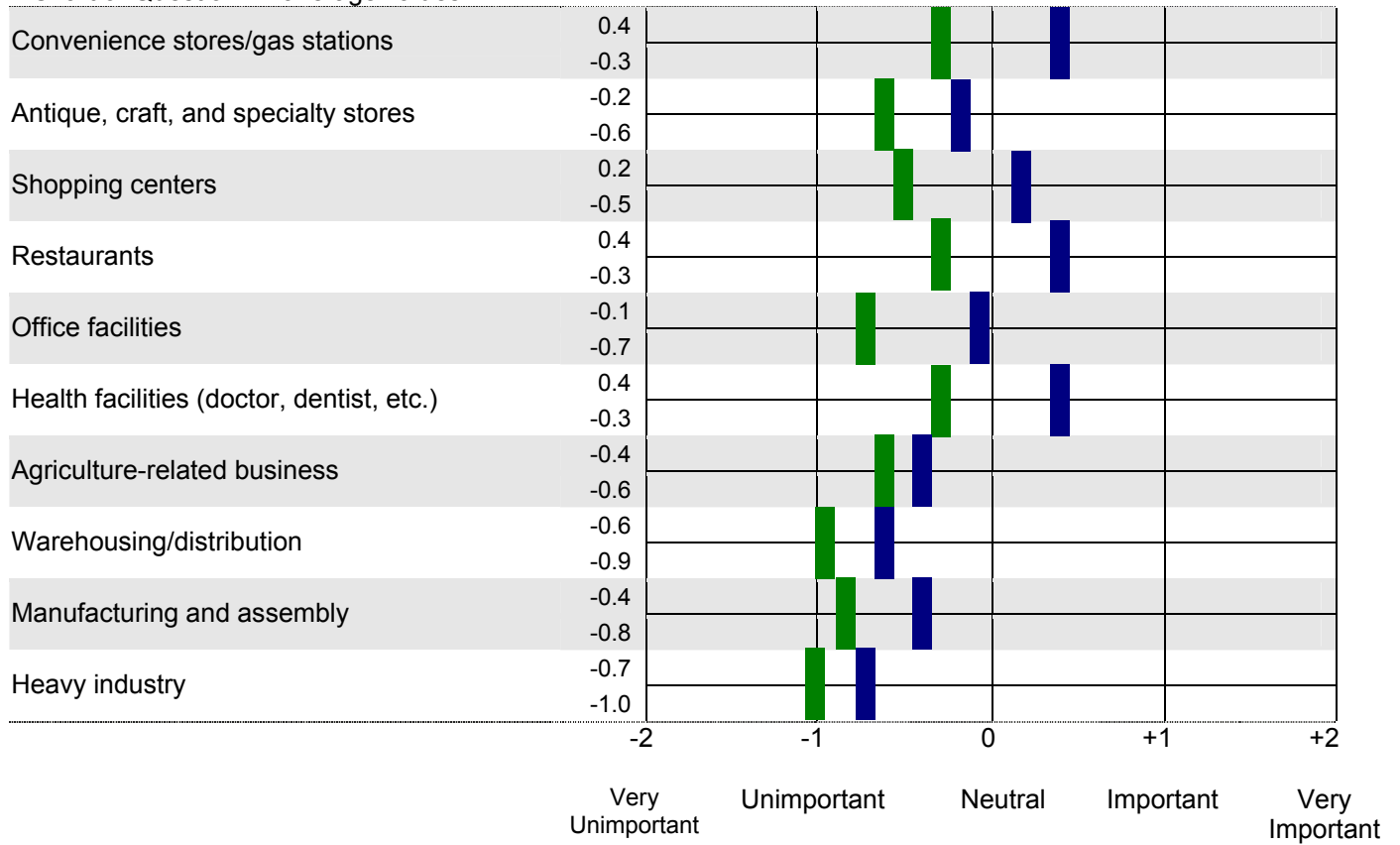
43. Places liked *least* in Fulton County:
NSBHP , Trailer Parks, Junk Yard

44. How important to you is the ability to access each of the following types of services/employers in Fulton County? **by walking or riding a bicycle?** (Numbers represent percent of responses)

		Very Unimportant	Unimportant	Important	Very Important	Neutral	
Convenience stores/gas stations	Urban	4	25	43	17	12	n=327
	Rural	20	35	25	7	13	n=567
	Comb.	14	31	32	11	13	n=894
Antique, craft, and specialty stores	Urban	10	38	26	8	19	n=322
	Rural	23	40	17	3	17	n=560
	Comb.	18	39	20	5	18	n=882
Shopping centers	Urban	7	33	34	16	11	n=323
	Rural	24	36	20	5	16	n=560
	Comb.	17	35	25	9	14	n=883
Restaurants	Urban	3	28	44	15	10	n=325
	Rural	19	34	26	7	15	n=563
	Comb.	13	32	32	10	13	n=888
Office facilities	Urban	7	42	23	9	19	n=318
	Rural	22	41	14	4	19	n=563
	Comb.	17	42	17	6	19	n=881
Health facilities (doctor, dentist, etc.)	Urban	3	27	39	18	12	n=322
	Rural	19	32	24	10	15	n=561
	Comb.	13	30	30	13	14	n=883
Agriculture-related business	Urban	9	47	16	6	22	n=320
	Rural	21	40	15	5	19	n=560
	Comb.	17	43	15	5	20	n=880
Warehousing/distribution	Urban	15	48	13	4	20	n=318
	Rural	29	42	8	3	18	n=562
	Comb.	24	45	10	3	19	n=880
Manufacturing and assembly	Urban	14	43	17	7	19	n=320
	Rural	29	39	12	4	17	n=565
	Comb.	24	40	14	5	18	n=885
Heavy industry	Urban	23	45	8	4	20	n=298
	Rural	36	38	5	2	19	n=524
	Comb.	31	40	6	3	19	n=822

Urban:  Rural: 

Chart of Question 44 average values:



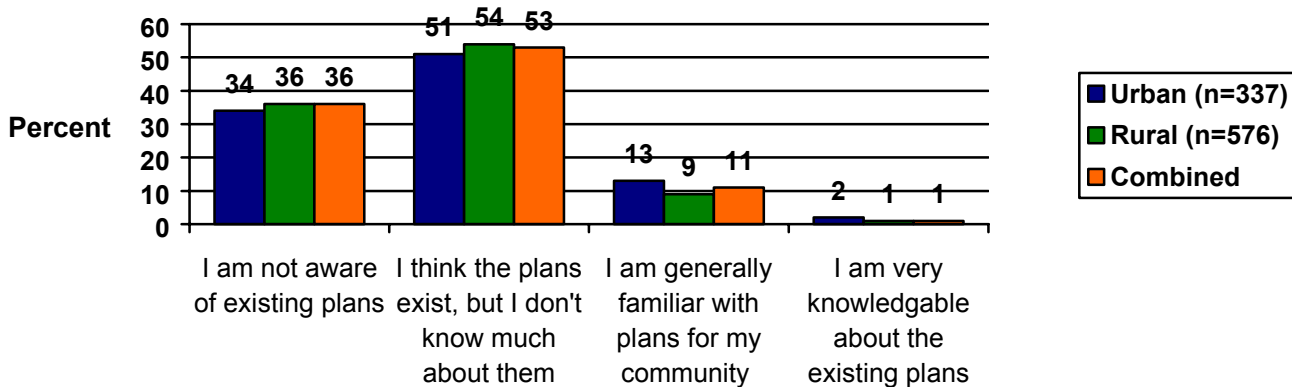
Options for Implementing Community Decisions

Communities use a variety of approaches to implement community decisions regarding land use and other community issues. This section asked respondents about their reactions to several tools that could be used or expanded in the community.

Community Plans/Development and Conservation

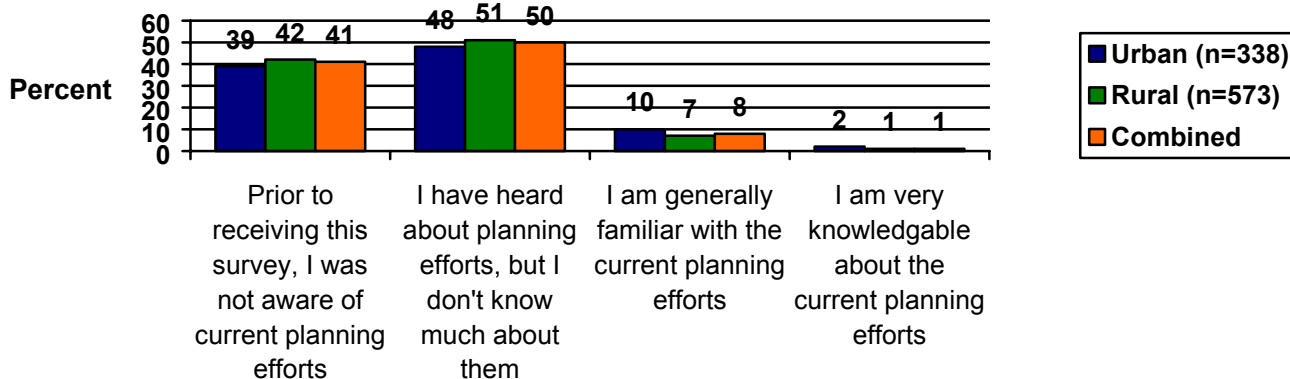
45. Which of the statements below best describes your level of knowledge about existing land-use and related planning documents for the community in which you reside? (n=913)

	Combined	Urban	Rural
Not aware of existing plans	36%	34%	36%
Think plans exist, don't know much about them	53%	51%	54%
Generally familiar with the plans	11%	13%	9%
Very knowledgeable about existing plans	1%	2%	1%



46. Which statement best describes your level of awareness about current efforts to develop a plan for Fulton County? (n=911)

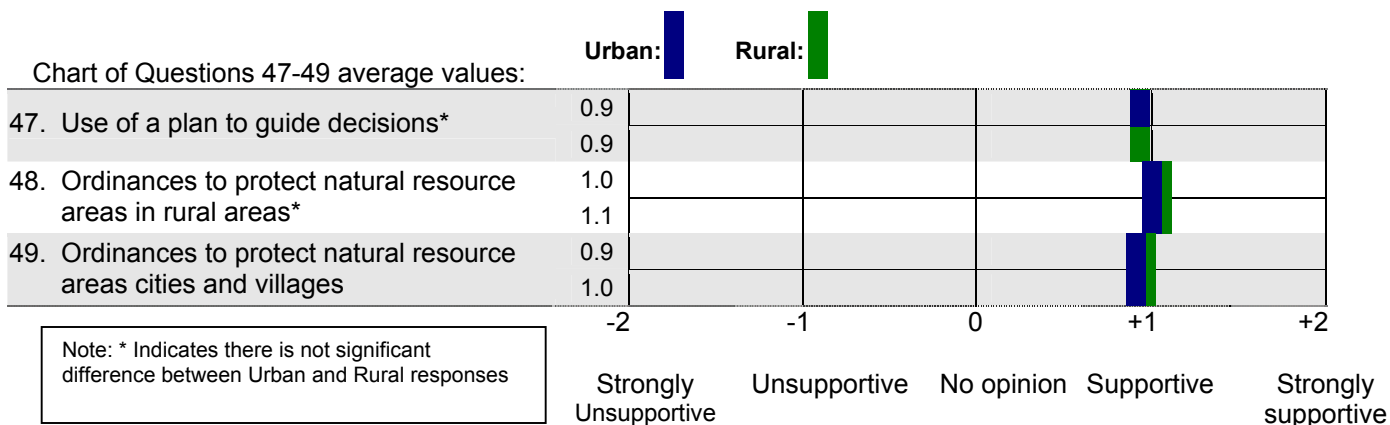
	Combined	Urban	Rural
Prior to receiving survey, not aware of current planning	41%	39%	42%
Aware of planning efforts, don't know much about them	50%	48%	51%
Generally familiar with the current planning efforts	8%	10%	7%
Very knowledgeable about the current planning efforts	1%	2%	1%



47 & 48 & 49. To what extent would you support planning guides and ordinances?

		Strongly unsupportive	Unsupportive	No opinion	Supportive	Strongly supportive	
47. Use of a plan to guide decisions*	Urban	1	3	17	62	18	n=333
	Rural	2	4	20	55	19	n=561
	Comb.	2	3	19	57	19	n=894
48. Ordinances to protect natural resource areas in rural areas*	Urban	1	5	11	57	27	n=335
	Rural	3	6	8	46	38	n=569
	Comb.	2	5	9	50	34	n=882
49. Ordinances to protect natural resource areas cities and villages	Urban	2	7	12	56	23	n=328
	Rural	2	6	11	50	31	n=570
	Comb.	2	7	11	52	28	n=883

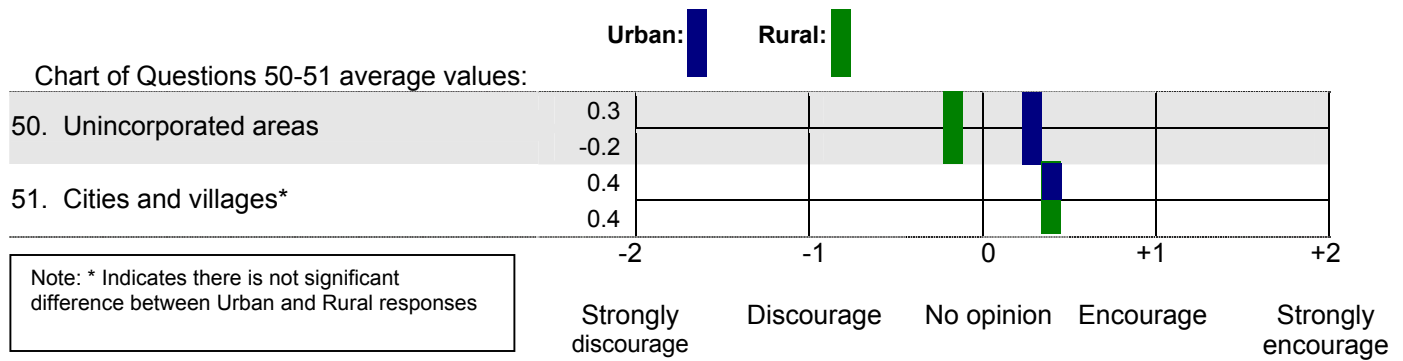
Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.



50 & 51 Extent you encourage or discourage clustering of houses in:

		Strongly discourage	Discourage	No opinion	Encourage	Strongly encourage	
50. Unincorporated areas	Urban	7	21	19	40	14	n=332
	Rural	19	27	15	29	10	n=570
	Comb.	14	25	17	33	11	n=902
51. Cities and villages*	Urban	7	19	20	39	15	n=333
	Rural	8	17	18	42	15	n=570
	Comb.	8	18	13	41	15	n=903

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

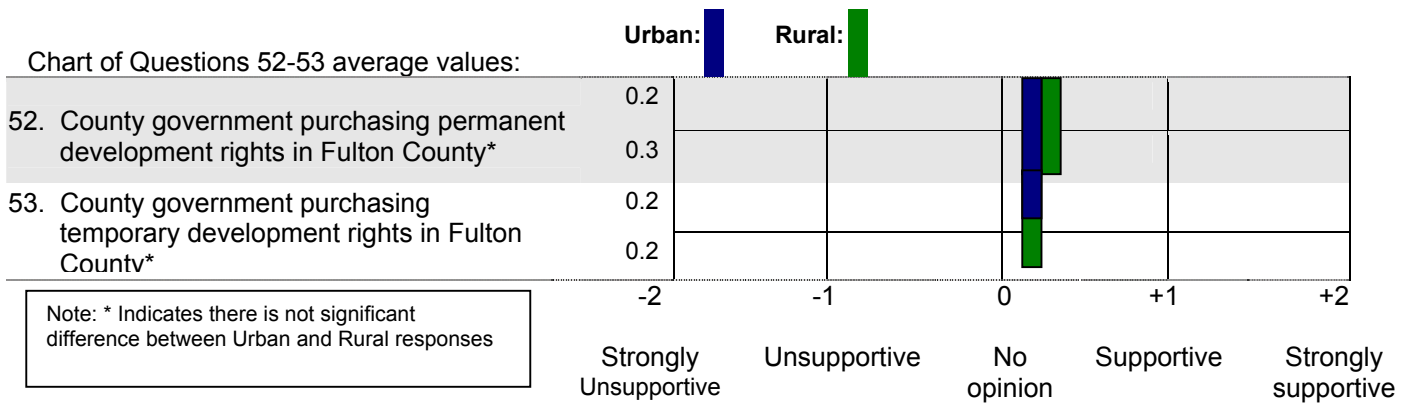


52 & 53 Extent you support county government purchasing development rights in Fulton County

		Strongly unsupportive	Unsupportive	No opinion	Supportive	Strongly supportive	
52. County government purchasing permanent development rights in Fulton County*	Urban	8	18	29	39	7	n=332
	Rural	8	15	31	36	11	n=559
	Comb.	8	16	30	37	10	n=891
53. County government purchasing temporary development rights in Fulton County*	Urban	6	19	27	41	7	n=330
	Rural	9	18	32	34	8	n=559
	Comb.	8	18	30	37	8	n=889

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

Chart of Questions 52-53 average values:



54. If you own agricultural or undeveloped land in Fulton County, would you consider taking advantage of opportunities to protect your land by selling development rights? (n=873)

	Combined	
Don't own land in Fulton County	67%	} (n=288) percent of those who own agricultural or undeveloped land
Very likely to consider giving up dev. Rights	2%	
Likely to consider giving up dev. Rights	4%	
Unlikely to consider giving up dev. Rights	5%	
Very unlikely to consider giving up dev. Rights	8%	
Don't know/No opinion	14%	

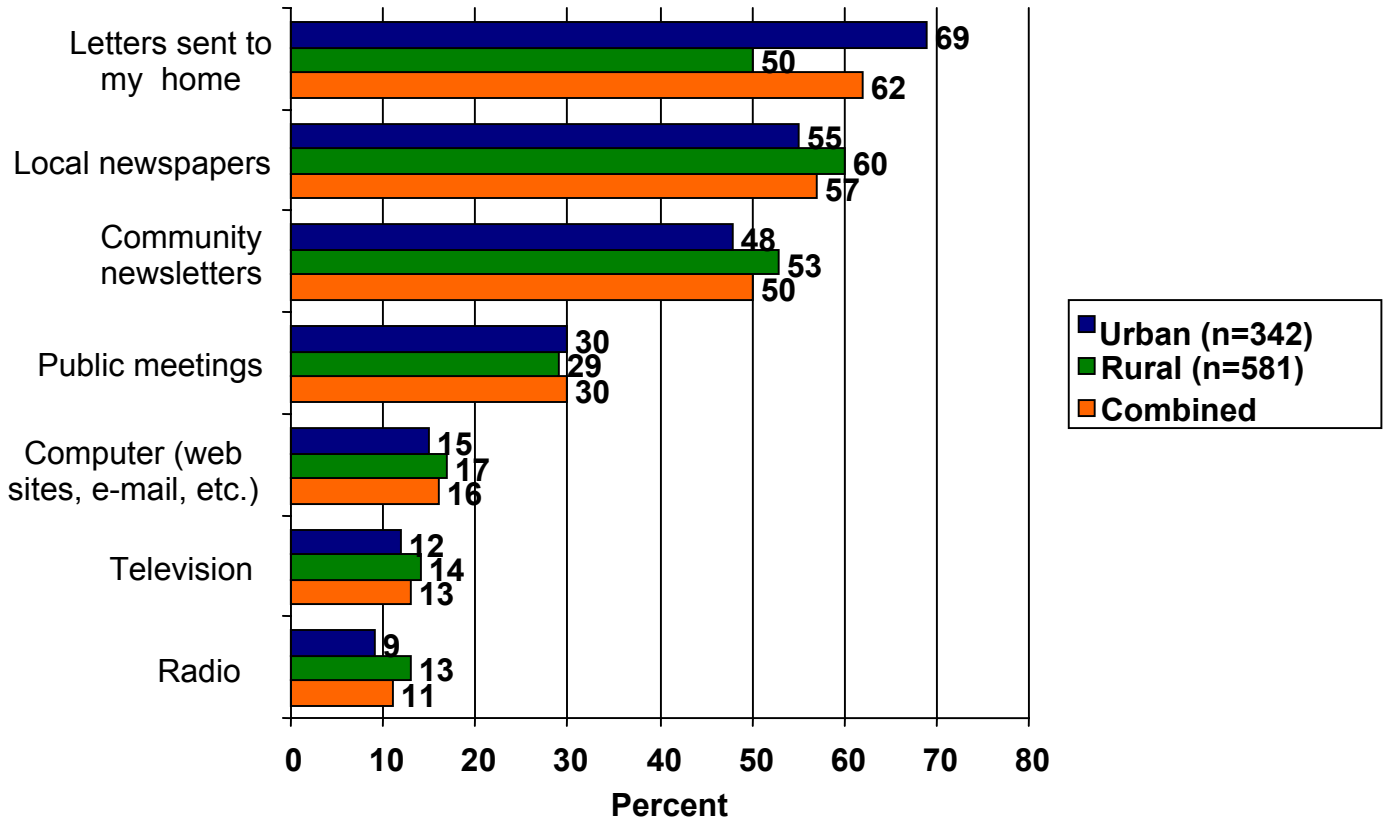
55. When farmland is offered for sale in Fulton County, which ONE statement best describes how you would like to see the land used after the sale? (n=896)

	Combined	Urban	Rural
Land should be used as new owner desires	20%	23%	18%
Land should be kept in agricultural use	39%	28%	46%
Land should be used according to land-use plan	25%	30%	23%
No opinion	15%	19%	13%

Interaction With You

The questions in this section this section asked how and where people look for community planning information. Responses indicate that people prefer methods like local newspapers and community newsletters for their information.

56. How would you prefer to receive information about local community planning? (n=923)



	Combined	Urban	Rural
Letters sent to house	62%	50%	69%
Local newspapers*	57%	60%	55%
Community newsletter*	50%	53%	48%
Public meetings*	30%	29%	30%
Computer*	16%	17%	15%
Television*	13%	14%	12%
Radio*	11%	13%	9%

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.

57. How would you prefer to receive information about county-level planning? (n=921)

	Combined	Urban	Rural
Letters sent to house	58%	46%	66%
Local newspapers*	53%	56%	51%
Community newsletter	46%	50%	43%
Public meetings*	26%	26%	26%
Computer*	15%	15%	14%
Television*	12%	14%	11%
Radio*	10%	12%	10%

Note: * Indicates there is not significant difference between Urban and Rural responses.