

# **Kingsport, TN**The National Community Survey

Report of Results 2021

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#### About The NCS™

The National Community Survey™ (The NCS™) report is about the "livability" of Kingsport. A livable community is a place that is not simply habitable, but that is desirable. It is not only where people do live, but where they want to live. The survey was developed by the experts from National Research Center at Polco.

Great communities are partnerships of the government, private sector, community-based organizations and residents, all geographically connected. The NCS captures residents' opinions considering ten central facets of a community:

- Economy
- Mobility
- Community Design
- Utilities
- Safety
- Natural Environment
- Parks and Recreation
- Health and Wellness
- Education, Arts, and Culture
- Inclusivity and Engagement

The report provides the opinions of a representative sample of 442 residents of the City of Kingsport collected from October 12th, 2021 to November 30th, 2021. The margin of error around any reported percentage is 5% for all respondents and the response rate for the 2021 survey was 17%. Survey results were weighted so that the demographic profile of respondents was representative of the demographic profile of adults in Kingsport.





#### How the results are reported

For the most part, the percentages presented in the following tabs represent the "percent positive." Most commonly, the percent positive is the combination of the top two most positive response options (i.e., excellent/good, very safe/somewhat safe, etc.). On many of the questions in the survey respondents may answer "don't know." The proportion of respondents giving this reply is shown in the full set of responses included in the tab "Complete data." However, these responses have been removed from the analyses presented in most of the tabs. In other words, the tables and graphs display the responses from respondents who had an opinion about a specific item.

#### Comparisons to benchmarks

NRC's database of comparative resident opinion is comprised of resident perspectives gathered in surveys from over 600 communities whose residents evaluated the same kinds of topics on The National Community Survey. The comparison evaluations are from the most recent survey completed in each community in the last five years. NRC adds the latest results quickly upon survey completion, keeping the benchmark data fresh and relevant. The communities in the database represent a wide geographic and population range. In each tab, Kingsport's results are noted as being "higher" than the benchmark, "lower" than the benchmark, or "similar" to the benchmark, meaning that the average rating given by Kingsport residents is statistically similar to or different (greater or lesser) than the benchmark. Being rated as "higher" or "lower" than the benchmark means that Kingsport's average rating for a particular item was more than 10 points different than the benchmark. If a rating was "much higher" or "much lower," then Kingsport's average rating was more than 20 points different when compared to the benchmark.

The survey was administered during the COVID-19 pandemic, a time of challenge for many local governments. While we provide comparisons to national benchmarks, it is important to note that much of the benchmark data was collected prior to the pandemic. This may impact how your City's 2021 ratings compare to other communities' ratings from the past five years.

#### Methods

#### **Selecting survey recipients**

All households within the City of Kingsport were eligible to participate in the survey. A list of all households within the zip codes serving Kingsport was purchased from Go-Dog Direct based on updated listings from the United States Postal Service. Since some of the zip codes that serve the City of Kingsport households may also serve addresses that lie outside of the community, the exact geographic location of each housing unit was compared to community boundaries using the most current municipal boundary file. Addresses located outside of the City of Kingsport boundaries were removed from the list of potential households to survey. Each address identified as being within city boundaries was further identified as being within one of the 8 areas. From that list, addresses were randomly selected as survey recipients, with multi-family housing units (defined as those with a unit number) sampled at a rate of 5:3 compared to single family housing units.

An individual within each household was selected using the birthday method. The birthday method selects a person within the household by asking the "person whose birthday has most recently passed" to complete the questionnaire. The underlying assumption in this method is that day of birth has no relationship to the way people respond to surveys. This instruction was contained in the introduction of the survey.

#### Conducting the survey

The 2,700 randomly selected households received mailings beginning on October 12th, 2021 and the survey remained open for seven weeks. For 1,200 households, the first mailing was a postcard inviting the household to participate in the survey. The next mailing contained a cover letter with instructions, the survey questionnaire, and a postage-paid return envelope. The final mailing contained a reminder letter, another survey, and a postage-paid return envelope. For the remaining 1,500 households, the first mailing was a postcard inviting the household to participate, followed one week later by a reminder postcard. All mailings included a web link to give residents the opportunity to respond to the survey online. All follow-up mailings asked those who had not completed the survey to do so and those who had already done so to refrain from completing the survey again.

About 5% of the 2,700 mailed invitations were returned because the household address was vacant or the postal service was unable to deliver the survey as addressed. Of the remaining 2,563 households that received the invitations to participate, 442 completed the survey, providing an overall response rate of 17%. The response rate was calculated using AAPOR's response rate #2\* for mailed surveys of unnamed persons.

It is customary to describe the precision of estimates made from surveys by a "level of confidence" and accompanying "confidence interval" (or margin of error). A traditional level of confidence, and the one used here, is 95%. The 95% confidence interval can be any size and quantifies the sampling error or imprecision of the survey results because some residents' opinions are relied on to estimate all residents' opinions. The margin of error for the City of Kingsport survey is no greater than plus or minus five percentage points around any given percent reported for all respondents (442 completed surveys).

In addition to the randomly selected "probability sample" of households, a link to an online open participation survey was publicized by the City of Kingsport. The open participation survey was identical to the probability sample survey with two small updates; it included a map at the beginning asking where the respondent lives and a question about where they heard about the survey. The open participation survey was open to all city residents and became available on November 16th, 2021. The survey remained open for two weeks. The data presented in the following tabs exclude the open participation survey data, but a tab at the end provides the complete frequency of responses to questions by the open participation respondents.

#### Analyzing the data

Responses from mailed surveys were entered into an electronic dataset using a "key and verify" method, where all responses are entered twice and compared to each other. Any discrepancies were resolved in comparison to the original survey form. Range checks as well as other forms of quality control were also performed. Responses from surveys completed on Polco were downloaded and merged with the mailed survey responses.

The demographics of the survey respondents were compared to those found in the 2010 Census and 2019 American Community Survey estimates for adults in the City of Kingsport. The primary objective of weighting survey data is to make the survey respondents reflective of the larger population of the community. The characteristics used for weighting were age, sex, race, Hispanic origin, housing type, housing tenure, and area. No adjustments were made for design effects. Weights were calculated using an iterative, multiplicative raking model known as the ANES Weighting Algorithm.\* The results of the weighting scheme for the probability sample are presented in the following table.

NRC aligns demographic labels with those used by the U.S. Census for reporting purposes, when possible. Some categories (e.g., age, race/Hispanic origin, housing type, and length of residency) are combined into smaller subgroups.

		Unweighted	Weighted	Target*
Age	18-34	7%	20%	24%
	35-54	21%	31%	29%
	55+	72%	49%	46%
Area	District 0	7%	5%	5%
	District 7	6%	5%	5%
	District 10	24%	2%	2%
	District 11	39%	51%	52%
	District 12	11%	21%	21%
	District 13	7%	8%	7%
	District 14	5%	7%	6%
	District 15	0%	1%	1%
Hispanic origin	No, not Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino	98%	99%	99%
	Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino	2%	1%	1%
Housing tenure	Own	83%	62%	62%
	Rent	17%	38%	38%
Housing type	Attached	19%	36%	36%
	Detached	81%	64%	64%
Race & Hispanic	Not white alone	10%	8%	88
origin	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	90%	92%	92%
Sex	Female	52%	56%	55%
	Male	48%	44%	45%
Sex/age	Female 18-34	4%	11%	13%
	Female 35-54	13%	16%	15%
	Female 55+	34%	28%	27%
	Male 18-34	3%	9%	12%
	Male 35-54	8%	15%	14%
	Male 55+	37%	20%	19%

The survey datasets were analyzed using all or some of a combination of the Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS), R, Python, and Tableau. For the most part, the percentages presented in the reports represent the "percent positive." The percent positive is the combination of the top two most positive response options (i.e., excellent/good, very safe/somewhat safe, essential/very important, etc.), or, in the case of resident behaviors/participation, the percent positive represents the proportion of respondents indicating "yes" or participating in an activity at least once a month.

On many of the questions in the survey respondents may answer "don't know." The proportion of respondents giving this reply is shown in the full set of responses included in the tab "Complete data". However, these responses have been removed from the analyses presented in the reports. In other words, the tables and graphs display the responses from respondents who had an opinion about a specific item.

#### Contact

The City of Kingsport funded this research. Please contact Jessica Harmon of the City of Kingsport at JessicaHarmon@kingsporttn.gov if you have any questions about the survey.

#### **Survey Validity**

See the Polco Knowledge Base article on survey validity at <a href="https://info.polco.us/knowledge/statistical-vali">https://info.polco.us/knowledge/statistical-vali</a>

- \* See AAPOR's Standard Definitions for more information at <a href="https://www.aapor.org/Publications-Media/AAPOR-Journals/Standard-Definitions.aspx">https://www.aapor.org/Publications-Media/AAPOR-Journals/Standard-Definitions.aspx</a>
- \* Pasek, J. (2010). ANES Weighting Algorithm. Retrieved from <a href="https://web.stanford.edu/group/iriss/cgi-bin/anesrake/resources/RakingDescription.pdf">https://web.stanford.edu/group/iriss/cgi-bin/anesrake/resources/RakingDescription.pdf</a>
- \* Targets come from the 2010 Census and 2019 American Community Survey

#### **Highlights**

#### Residents experience a high quality of life in Kingsport.

About three-quarters of residents gave positive ratings to Kingsport as a place to live, their neighborhood as a place to live,, and Kingsport as a place to raise children and to retire. A strong majority also gave favorable marks to the overall quality of life in the city (72% excellent or good), and the overall image or reputation of Kingsport (65%). Additionally, about 8 in 10 residents would recommend living in Kingsport to someone who asked planned to remain in Kingsport for the next five years. These ratings were all similar to those given in other communities across the nation.

#### The economy is a top priority for residents.

The facet of Economy is an area of priority for the residents of Kingsport, and when asked about aspects of the community the City should focus on in the next two years, virtually all responded that the importance of the overall economic health of the City was essential or very important (97%). A lower proportion of residents gave the quality of economic health in Kingsport positive ratings (46% excellent or good) which was lower than the national average. These comparative ratings of quality and importance indicate that the facet of Economy is an important focus area for Kingsport in the coming years.

A number of aspects of the Economy in Kingsport garnered positive ratings from a majority of residents. About 6 in 10 residents had favorable views toward the cost of living in the city, which was higher than national comparison, as well as Kingsport as a place to work and the overall quality of business and service establishments in the city, which were similar to the benchmarks. About half of respondents gave positive marks to Kingsport as a place to visit, economic development, employment opportunities, and the variety of business and service establishments in the city. About 4 in 10 or less gave positive ratings to the vibrancy of the downtown/commercial area, which was similar to the national comparison, as well as shopping opportunities, which was lower than average. However, it is important to keep in mind the effect of the COVID-19 pandemic on these ratings, as it continues to be an economic factor in many communities.

#### Residents appreciate the ease of travel in Kingsport.

When compared to other communities, traffic flow on major streets (69% excellent or good), bus or transit services (66%), and ease of travel by public transportation (54%) in Kingsport were ranked higher than the national averages. Strong marks were also given to the ease of travel by car (82%), ease of public parking (72%), snow removal (71%), and street lighting (70%). Each of these was rated similar to the benchmarks. About two-thirds of residents gave favorable marks to mobility services such as street cleaning, traffic enforcement, and sidewalk maintenance. The only areas where mobility-related items scored lower than other communities was in the utilization of alternative modes of transportation. About one-third of residents reported having walked or biked instead of driving in the past 12 months, and less than 1 in 10 residents reported using public transportation. These levels of use were much lower and lower than the benchmarks, respectively.

#### Safety is a concern for residents, but safety-related services receive positive marks.

When asked what aspects of livability the community should focus on in the next two years, the safety of Kingsport was indicated by residents as the second-most important facet, following the economy. Virtually all residents (95%) rated Safety as essential or important for the city to focus on. The overall feeling of safety in Kingsport was rated lower (63% excellent or good) in comparison to its importance, as well as when compared to other communities across the nation.

Despite this, ratings within the facet overall were strong. About 9 in 10 respondents reported feeling very or somewhat safe in their neighborhood during the day, from fire, flood, and other natural disasters, as well as in Kingsport's downtown/commercial area during the day. A slightly lower proportion reported feeling safe from violent crime (78%), as well as from property crime (69%). The safety and emergency services in Kingsport also received mostly positive marks, highlighted by fire services (93% excellent or good), and ambulance/EMS (87%). Police/Sheriff services also received high marks, receiving positive ratings from about three-quarters of residents. The lowest-performing items in this area were emergency preparedness (60%) and crime prevention (56%). Each of the items mentioned in this facet was similar to the national benchmarks.

Kingsport also included two Safety-related custom questions on their survey; the first asked residents to rate how important it was for the Kingsport Fire Department to provide urgent treatment to cardiac emergencies, provide a wide range of medical treatments (e.g. Intermediate Life Support), and to provide basic services such as CPR and basic first aid. About 7 in 10 residents or more rated each of these services as essential for the Fire Department to provide. In another question, when asked to rate the quality of various communications from the Kingsport Police Department (such as crisis communications and emergency notifications), between 5 in 10 and 6 in 10 residents rated each of these as excellent or good.

#### Residents support parks and recreation in Kingsport.

Parks and recreation was one of the most consistently well-performing areas in Kingsport, with a majority of residents giving positive ratings to each item. About 8 in 10 residents gave positive marks to the overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities, the availability of paths and walking trails, and city parks in Kingsport. About 7 in 10 had positive views toward fitness opportunities, recreational opportunities, recreation centers or facilities, and recreation programs or classes. Each of these items was similar to the national comparisons.

#### **Facets of livability**

Resident perceptions of quality and importance for each of the facets of community livability provide an overview of community strengths and challenges that are useful for planning, budgeting and performance evaluation. The charts below show the proportion of residents who rated the community facets positively for quality and the priority (importance) placed on each. Also displayed is whether local ratings were lower, similar, or higher than communities across the country (the national benchmark).

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Kingsport as a who (% excellent or good) $$	le.	vs. benchmark*
Overall economic health	46%	Lower
Overall quality of the transportation system	61%	Similar
Overall design or layout of residential and commercial areas	55%	Similar
Overall quality of the utility infrastructure	63%	Similar
Overall feeling of safety	63%	Lower

Residents' connection and engagement with their community	43%	Lower

Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the Kingsport community to focus on each of the following in the

(% essential or very important)

coming two years.

Overall quality of natural environment

Overall health and wellness opportunities

Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities

Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts

Overall economic health	97%	Higher
Overall quality of the transportation system	62%	Lower
Overall design or layout of residential and commercial areas	68%	Lower
Overall quality of the utility infrastructure	93%	Similar
Overall feeling of safety	95%	Similar
Overall quality of natural environment	84%	Similar
Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities	80%	Similar
Overall health and wellness opportunities	86%	Similar
Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts	88%	Similar
Residents' connection and engagement with their community	68%	Lower

<sup>\*</sup> Comparison to the national benchmark is shown. If no comparison is available, this is left blank.

Similar

Similar

Similar

Similar

73%

79%

67%

58%

#### Balancing performance and importance

Every jurisdiction must balance limited resources while meeting resident needs and striving to optimize community livability. To this end, it is helpful to know what aspects of the community are most important to residents and which they perceive as being of higher or lower quality. It is especially helpful to know when a facet of livability is considered of high importance but rated as lower quality, as this should be a top priority to address.

To help guide City staff and officials with decisions on future resource allocation, resident ratings of the importance of services were compared to their ratings of the quality of these services. To identify the services perceived by residents to have relatively lower quality at the same time as relatively higher importance, all services were ranked from highest perceived quality to lowest perceived quality and from highest perceived importance to lowest perceived importance. Some services were in the top half of both lists (higher quality and higher importance); some were in the top half of one list but the bottom half of the other (higher quality and lower importance or lower quality and higher importance); and some services were in the bottom half of both lists.

Services receiving quality ratings of excellent or good by 62% or more of respondents were considered of "higher quality" and those with ratings lower than 62% were considered to be of "lower quality." Services were classified as "more important" if they were rated as essential or very important by 85% or more of respondents. Services were rated as "less important" if they received a rating of less than 85%. This classification uses the median ratings for quality and importance to divide the services in half.

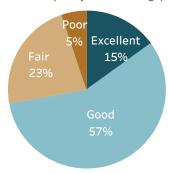
The quadrants in the figure below show which community facets were given higher or lower importance ratings (right-left) and which had higher or lower quality ratings (up-down). Facets of livability falling closer to a diagonal line from the lower left to the upper right are those where performance ratings are more commensurate with resident priorities. Facets scoring closest to the lower right hand corner of the matrix (higher in importance and lower in quality) are those that may warrant further investigation to see if changes to their delivery are necessary to improve their performance. This is the key part of this chart on which to focus. Facets falling in the top left hand corner of the chart (lower in importance but higher in quality) are areas where performance may outscore resident priorities, and may be a consideration for lower resource allocation.



#### The overall quality of life in Kingsport

#### **Quality of life**

Measuring community livability starts with assessing the quality of life of those who live there, and ensuring that the community is attractive, accessible, and welcoming to all.



### Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Kingsport.

(% excellent or good)		benchmark*
Kingsport as a place to live	78%	Similar
The overall quality of life	72%	Similar

### Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following. (% very or somewhat likely)

Remain in Kingsport for the next five years	85%	Similar
Recommend living in Kingsport to someone who asks	78%	Similar

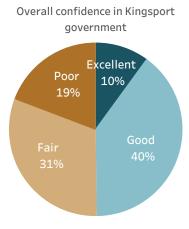
### Please rate each of the following in the Kingsport community. (% excellent or good)

Overall image or reputation 65% Similar	Similar
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<sup>\*</sup> Comparison to the national benchmark is shown. If no comparison is available, this is left blank.

#### Governance

Strong local governments produce results that meet the needs of residents while making the best use of available resources, and are responsive to the present and future needs of the community as a whole.



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### Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Kingsport. (% excellent or good)

(% excellent or good)		benchmark*
Overall customer service by Kingsport employees	81%	Similar
Public information services	67%	Similar

### Please rate the following categories of Kingsport government performance. (% excellent or good)

Treating residents with respect	60%	Similar
Treating all residents fairly	56%	Similar
Being honest	55%	Similar
Generally acting in the best interest of the community	54%	Similar
The value of services for the taxes paid to Kingsport	53%	Similar
Being open and transparent to the public	53%	Similar
The overall direction that Kingsport is taking	52%	Similar
Overall confidence in Kingsport government	50%	Similar
The job Kingsport government does at welcoming resident involvement	50%	Similar
Informing residents about issues facing the community	48%	Similar

### Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by each of the following? (% excellent or good)

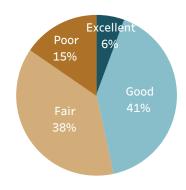
The City of Kingsport	65%	Similar
The Federal Government	34%	Similar

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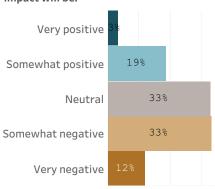
#### **Economy**

Local governments work together with private and nonprofit businesses, and with the community at large, to foster sustainable growth, create jobs, and promote a thriving local economy.





## What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months? Do you think the impact will be:



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#### Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Kingsport.

(% excellent or good) bench		benchmark*
Kingsport as a place to work	61%	Similar
Kingsport as a place to visit	54%	Similar

### Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Kingsport as a whole. (% excellent or good)

Overall economic health	46%	Lower	

#### Please rate each of the following in the Kingsport community.

#### (% excellent or good)

Cost of living	64%	Higher
Overall quality of business and service establishments	60%	Similar
Employment opportunities	45%	Similar
Variety of business and service establishments	44%	Lower
Vibrancy of downtown/commercial area	39%	Similar
Shopping opportunities	33%	Lower

#### Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Kingsport.

#### (% excellent or good)

	Economic development	46%	Similar	
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### What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months? Do you think the impact will be:

(% very or somewhat positive)

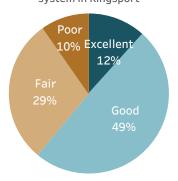
What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months? Do you think the impact will be:

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### Overall quality of the transportation system in Kingsport

#### **Mobility**

The ease with which residents can move about their communities, whether for commuting, leisure, or recreation, plays a major role in the quality of life for all who live, work, and play in the community.



Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Kingsport as a whole. (% excellent or good)

vs. benchmark\*

Overall quality of the transportation system

619

Similar

#### Please also rate each of the following in the Kingsport community.

(% excellent or good)

Ease of travel by car	82%	Similar
Ease of public parking	72%	Similar
Traffic flow on major streets	69%	Higher
Ease of walking	61%	Similar
Ease of travel by public transportation	54%	Higher
Ease of travel by bicycle	53%	Similar

### Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months. (% yes)

Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone	37%	Similar
Walked or biked instead of driving	32%	Much lower
Used public transportation instead of driving	5%	Lower

#### Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Kingsport. $\label{eq:continuous} % \begin{center} \end{center} \begin{center} \$

(% excellent or good)

Snow removal	71%	Similar
Street lighting	70%	Similar

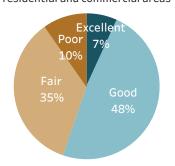
Street cleaning	69%	Similar
Traffic enforcement	67%	Similar
Bus or transit services	66%	Higher
Sidewalk maintenance	61%	Similar
Traffic signal timing	52%	Similar
Street repair	39%	Similar

 $<sup>{\</sup>color{blue}*} \ \, {\color{blue}\mathsf{Comparison}} \ \, {\color{blue}\mathsf{to}} \ \, {\color{blue}\mathsf{to}} \ \, {\color{blue}\mathsf{national}} \ \, {\color{blue}\mathsf{benchmark}} \ \, {\color{blue}\mathsf{is}} \ \, {\color{blue}\mathsf{shown}}. \ \, {\color{blue}\mathsf{lf}} \ \, {\color{blue}\mathsf{no}} \ \, {\color{blue}\mathsf{comparison}} \ \, {\color{blue}\mathsf{is}} \ \, {\color{blue}\mathsf{left}} \ \, {\color{blue}\mathsf{blank}}.$ 

### Overall design or layout of Kingsport's residential and commercial areas

#### **Community design**

A well-designed community enhances the quality of life for its residents by encouraging smart land use and zoning, ensuring that affordable housing is accessible to all, and providing access to parks and other green spaces.



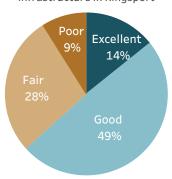
Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Kingsport. (% excellent or good)		vs. benchmark*
Your neighborhood as a place to live	79%	Similar
Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Kingsport as a w (% excellent or good)	hole.	
Overall design or layout of residential and commercial areas	55%	Similar
Please also rate each of the following in the Kingsport community. (% excellent or good)		
Overall appearance	60%	Similar
Preservation of the historical or cultural character of the community	60%	Similar
Well-designed neighborhoods	54%	Similar
Public places where people want to spend time	48%	Similar
Variety of housing options	45%	Similar
Overall quality of new development	44%	Similar
Well-planned residential growth	41%	Similar
Availability of affordable quality housing	39%	Similar
Well-planned commercial growth	36%	Similar
Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Kingsport. (% excellent or good)		
Land use, planning and zoning	49%	Similar
Code enforcement	33%	Lower

 $<sup>\</sup>hbox{$^*$ Comparison to the national benchmark is shown. If no comparison is available, this is left blank.}$ 

#### **Utilities**

Services such as water, gas, electricity, and internet access play a vital role in ensuring the physical and economic health and well-being of the communities they serve.

#### Overall quality of the utility infrastructure in Kingsport



#### Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Kingsport. (% excellent or good)

(% excellent or good)		vs. benchmark*
Garbage collection	82%	Similar
Sewer services	81%	Similar
Power (electric and/or gas) utility	76%	Similar
Storm water management	71%	Similar
Drinking water	69%	Similar
Utility billing	68%	Similar
Affordable high-speed internet access	45%	Similar

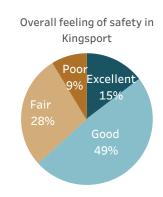
#### Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Kingsport as a whole. (% excellent or good)

Overall quality of the utility infrastructure	63%	Similar
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#### **Safety**

Public safety is often the most important task facing local governments. All residents should feel safe and secure in their neighborhoods and in the greater community, and providing robust safety-related services is essential to residents' quality of life.



Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Kingsport as a who (% excellent or good)	le.	vs. benchmark*
Overall feeling of safety	63%	Lower

#### Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:

(% very or somewhat safe)

In your neighborhood during the day	91%	Similar
From fire, flood, or other natural disaster	87%	Similar
In Kingsport's downtown/commercial area during the day	85%	Similar
From violent crime	78%	Similar
From property crime	69%	Similar

#### Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Kingsport.

(% excellent or good)

Fire services	93%	Similar
Ambulance or emergency medical services	87%	Similar
Fire prevention and education	80%	Similar
Police/Sheriff services	74%	Similar
Animal control	64%	Similar
Emergency preparedness	60%	Similar
Crime prevention	56%	Similar

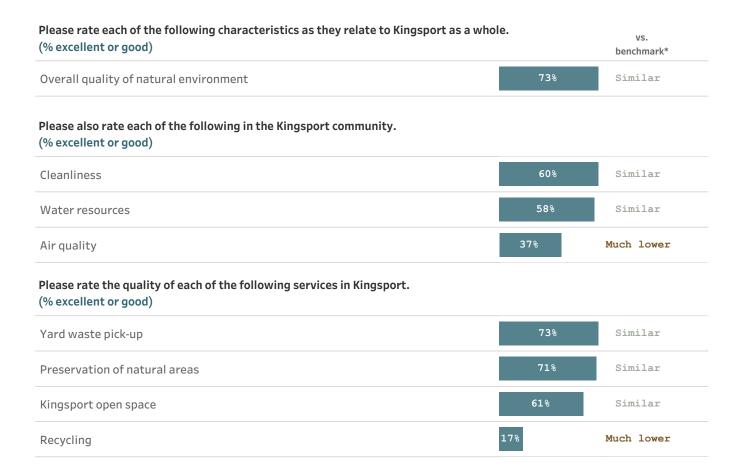
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#### Natural environment

The natural environment plays a vital role in the health and well-being of residents. The natural spaces in which residents live and experience their communities has a direct and profound effect on quality of life.



Overall quality of natural

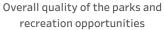


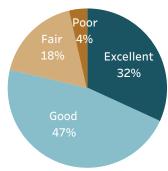
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#### Parks and recreation

"There are no communities that pride themselves on their quality of life, promote themselves as a desirable location for businesses to relocate, or maintain that they are environmental stewards of their natural resources, without such communities having a robust, active system of parks and recreation programs for public use and enjoyment."

- National Recreation and Park Association





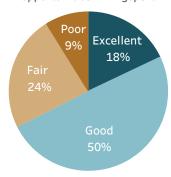
#### Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Kingsport as a whole. VS. (% excellent or good) benchmark\* 79% Similar Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities Please also rate each of the following in the Kingsport community. (% excellent or good) 76% Similar Availability of paths and walking trails 72% Fitness opportunities Similar Recreational opportunities 69% Similar Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Kingsport. (% excellent or good) 77% Similar City parks 69% Similar Recreation centers or facilities 66% Similar Recreation programs or classes

<sup>\*</sup> Comparison to the national benchmark is shown. If no comparison is available, this is left blank.

#### Health and wellness

The characteristics of and amenities available in the communities in which people live has a direct impact on the health and wellness of residents, and thus, on their quality of life overall.

#### Overall health and wellness opportunities in Kingsport



### Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Kingsport as a whole.

VS. (% excellent or good) benchmark\* 67% Similar Overall health and wellness opportunities

#### Please also rate each of the following in the Kingsport community.

(% excellent or good)

Availability of affordable quality food	67%	Similar
Availability of preventive health services	53%	Similar
Availability of affordable quality health care	50%	Similar
Availability of affordable quality mental health care	34%	Similar

#### Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Kingsport.

(% excellent or good)

Health services	63%	Similar

#### Please rate your overall health.

(% excellent or very good)

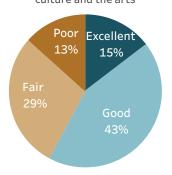
Please rate your overall health. 49% Similar	
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### Overall opportunities for education, culture and the arts

#### Education, arts, and culture

Participation in the arts, in educational opportunities, and in cultural activities is linked to increased civic engagement, greater social tolerance, and enhanced enjoyment of the local community.



Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Kingsport as a whole. (% excellent or good)

vs. benchmark\*

Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts

58%

Similar

### Please also rate each of the following in the Kingsport community. (% excellent or good)

K-12 education	76%	Similar
Opportunities to attend special events and festivals	63%	Similar
Adult educational opportunities	52%	Similar
Community support for the arts	51%	Similar
Availability of affordable quality childcare/preschool	48%	Similar
Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities	47%	Similar

#### Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Kingsport.

(% excellent or good)

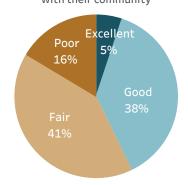
Public library services 83% Similar

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### Residents' connection and engagement with their community

#### **Inclusivity and engagement**

Inclusivity refers to a cultural and environmental feeling of belonging; residents who feel invited to participate within their communities feel more included, involved, and engaged than those who do not.



VS.

### Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Kingsport.

(% excellent or good)		benchmark*
Kingsport as a place to retire	77%	Similar
Kingsport as a place to raise children	76%	Similar
Sense of community	60%	Similar

### Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Kingsport as a whole. (% excellent or good)

Residents' connection and engagement with their community	43%	Lower	
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### Please rate the job you feel the Kingsport community does at each of the following. (% excellent or good)

Making all residents feel welcome	70%	Similar
Valuing/respecting residents from diverse backgrounds	52%	Similar
Attracting people from diverse backgrounds	48%	Lower
Taking care of vulnerable residents	38%	Lower

### Please also rate each of the following in the Kingsport community. (% excellent or good)

Opportunities to volunteer	74%	Similar
Sense of civic/community pride	62%	Similar
Neighborliness of residents	61%	Similar

Opportunities to participate in social events and activities	56%	Similar
Opportunities to participate in community matters	53%	Similar
Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds	48%	Similar

<sup>\*</sup> Comparison to the national benchmark is shown. If no comparison is available, this is left blank.

#### Residents' participation levels

Voted in your most recent local election

Watched a local public meeting

Attended a local public meeting

Volunteered your time to some group/activity

Contacted the City of Kingsport for help or information

Campaigned or advocated for a local issue, cause, or candidate

Contacted Kingsport elected officials to express your opinion

### Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months. (% yes)

ie monens.	vs. benchmark*
69%	Similar
48%	Similar
31%	Similar
27%	Similar
19%	Similar
15%	Similar
118	Lower

### In general, how many times do you: (% a few times a week or more)

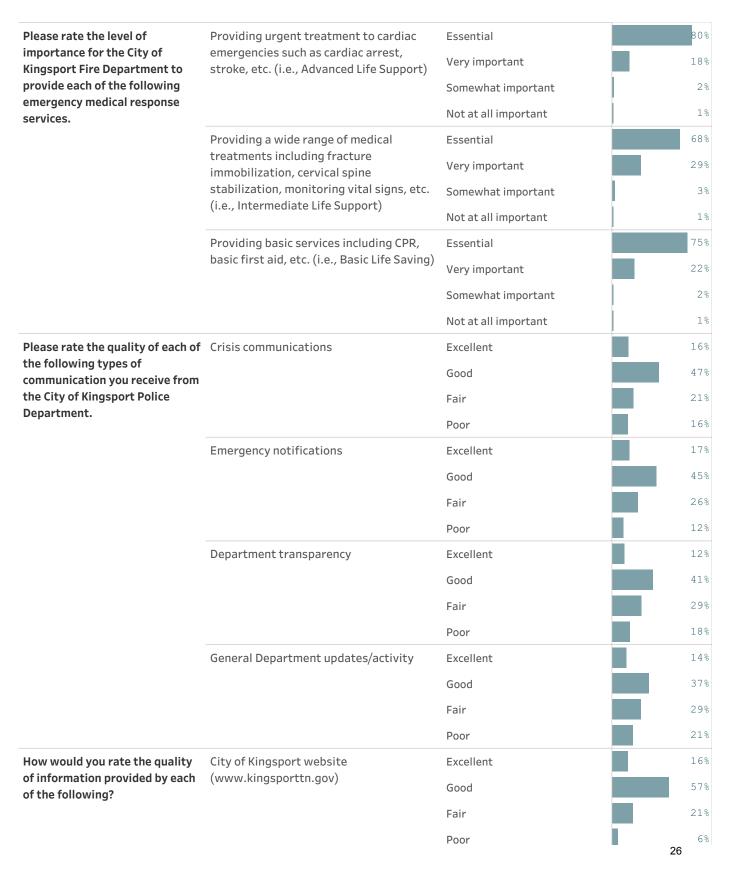
Use or check email	94%	Similar
Access the internet from your home	89%	Similar
Access the internet from your cell phone	88%	Similar
Visit social media sites	78%	Similar
Shop online	46%	Similar
Share your opinions online	29%	Similar

<sup>\*</sup> Comparison to the national benchmark is shown. If no comparison is available, this is left blank.

#### **Custom questions**

Below are the complete set of responses to each custom question on the survey. By default, "don't know" responses are excluded, but may be added to the table using the response filter below.

Include "don't know" No



Local television stations			-	
Fair   258   Poor   108	Local television stations	Excellent		11%
Poor		Good		54%
Local newspapers		Fair		25%
Good		Poor		10%
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Good		Poor		13%
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Poor   158		Good		40%
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		Poor		10%

#### National benchmark tables

This table contains the comparisons of Kingsport's results to those from other communities. The first column shows the comparison of Kingsport's rating to the benchmark. Kingsport's results are noted as being "higher", "lower" or "similar" to the benchmark, meaning that the average rating given by Kingsport residents is statistically similar to or different than the benchmark. The second column is Kingsport's "percent positive." Most commonly, the percent positive is the combination of the top two most positive response options (i.e., excellent/good). The third column is the rank assigned to Kingsport's rating among communities where a similar question was asked. The fourth column is the number of communities that asked a similar question. The fifth column shows the percentile for Kingsport's result -- that is what percent of surveyed communities had a lower rating than Kingsport.

			% positive	Rank	Number of communities	Percentile
Please rate each of the	Kingsport as a place to live	Similar	78%	308	384	20
following aspects of quality of life in Kingsport.	Your neighborhood as a place to live	Similar	79%	227	316	28
	Kingsport as a place to raise children	Similar	76%	254	385	34
	Kingsport as a place to work	Similar	61%	241	368	34
	Kingsport as a place to visit	Similar	54%	224	310	28
	Kingsport as a place to retire	Similar	77%	134	370	64
	The overall quality of life	Similar	72%	327	426	23
	Sense of community	Similar	60%	229	318	28
Please rate each of the	Overall economic health	Lower	46%	236	291	19
following characteristics as they relate to Kingsport as a whole.	Overall quality of the transportation system	Similar	61%	53	117	55
as a whole.	Overall design or layout of residential and commercial areas	Similar	55%	209	285	27
	Overall quality of the utility infrastructure	Similar	63%	82	114	28
	Overall feeling of safety	Lower	63%	302	366	17
	Overall quality of natural environment	Similar	73%	227	295	23
	Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities	Similar	79%	70	119	42
	Overall health and wellness opportunities	Similar	67%	188	286	34
	Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts	Similar	58%	204	289	29
	Residents' connection and engagement with their community	Lower	43%	103	115	11
Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following.	Recommend living in Kingsport to someone who asks	Similar	78%	240	302	20
	Remain in Kingsport for the next five years	Similar	85%	130	295	56
Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:	In your neighborhood during the day	Similar	91%	273	351	22
unsare you reel:	In Kingsport's downtown/commercial area during the day	Similar	85%	260	327	20

Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:	From property crime	Similar	69%	95	125	24
	From violent crime	Similar	78%	95	125	23
	From fire, flood, or other natural disaster	Similar	87%	59	113	48
	Making all residents feel welcome	Similar	70%	85	119	29
the Kingsport community does at each of the following.	Attracting people from diverse backgrounds	Lower	48%	103	117	12
Tollowing.	Valuing/respecting residents from diverse backgrounds	Similar	52%	97	117	17
	Taking care of vulnerable residents	Lower	38%	103	115	11
Please rate each of the following in the Kingsport	Overall quality of business and service establishments	Similar	60%	224	293	23
community.	Variety of business and service establishments	Lower	44%	97	114	15
	Vibrancy of downtown/commercial area	Similar	39%	191	276	31
	Employment opportunities	Similar	45%	176	322	45
	Shopping opportunities	Lower	33%	260	308	15
	Cost of living	Higher	64%	17	287	94
	Overall image or reputation	Similar	65%	268	363	26
	Traffic flow on major streets	Higher	69%	70	340	79
following in the Kingsport community.	Ease of public parking	Similar	72%	71	263	73
	Ease of travel by car	Similar	82%	84	318	73
	Ease of travel by public transportation	Higher	54%	54	270	80
	Ease of travel by bicycle	Similar	53%	162	320	49
	Ease of walking	Similar	61%	210	320	34
	Well-planned residential growth	Similar	41%	82	117	30
	Well-planned commercial growth	Similar	36%	96	117	18
	Well-designed neighborhoods	Similar	54%	79	115	32
	Preservation of the historical or cultural character of the community	Similar	60%	76	113	33
	Public places where people want to spend time	Similar	48%	227	281	19
	Variety of housing options	Similar	45%	226	297	24
	Availability of affordable quality housing	Similar	39%	165	321	48
	Overall quality of new development	Similar	44%	265	315	16
	Overall appearance	Similar	60%	274	352	22
	Cleanliness	Similar	60%	233	322	27
	Water resources	Similar	58%	54	104	49

Please also rate each of the following in the Kingsport	Air quality	Much lower	37%	269	276	2
community.	Availability of paths and walking trails	Similar	76%	111	325	66
	Fitness opportunities	Similar	72%	128	277	54
	Recreational opportunities	Similar	69%	179	308	42
	Availability of affordable quality food	Similar	67%	150	272	45
	Availability of affordable quality health care	Similar	50%	227	285	20
	Availability of preventive health services	Similar	53%	198	268	26
	Availability of affordable quality mental health care	Similar	34%	200	267	25
	Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities	Similar	47%	214	305	30
	Community support for the arts	Similar	51%	75	114	35
	Availability of affordable quality childcare/preschool	Similar	48%	175	282	38
	K-12 education	Similar	76%	118	288	59
	Adult educational opportunities	Similar	52%	161	274	41
	Sense of civic/community pride	Similar	62%	80	114	30
	Neighborliness of residents	Similar	61%	169	281	40
	Opportunities to participate in social events and activities	Similar	56%	190	287	34
	Opportunities to attend special events and festivals	Similar	63%	170	294	42
	Opportunities to volunteer	Similar	74%	107	285	62
	Opportunities to participate in community matters	Similar	53%	232	289	20
	Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse	Similar	48%	272	313	13
	Contacted the City of Kingsport for help or information	Similar	48%	131	342	61
not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months.	Contacted Kingsport elected officials to express your opinion	Similar	15%	193	282	31
months.	Attended a local public meeting	Lower	11%	273	282	3
	Watched a local public meeting	Similar	27%	90	261	65
	Volunteered your time to some group/activity	Similar	31%	173	287	40
	Campaigned or advocated for a local issue, cause, or candidate	Similar	19%	154	271	43
	Voted in your most recent local election	Similar	69%	100	116	14
	Used public transportation instead of driving	Lower	5%	220	252	13
	Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone	Similar	37%	204	277	26
	Walked or biked instead of driving	Much lower	32%	266	280	5
Please rate the quality of	Public information services	Similar	67%	201	307	34
					20	

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Kingsport.

Economic development	Similar	46%	228	298	23
Traffic enforcement	Similar	67%	210	367	43
Traffic signal timing	Similar	52%	204	288	29
Street repair	Similar	39%	272	367	26
Street cleaning	Similar	69%	168	309	45
Street lighting	Similar	70%	129	349	63
Snow removal	Similar	71%	132	273	51
Sidewalk maintenance	Similar	61%	150	314	52
Bus or transit services	Higher	66%	54	262	79
Land use, planning and zoning	Similar	49%	166	310	46
Code enforcement	Lower	33%	315	367	14
Affordable high-speed internet access	Similar	45%	79	111	29
Garbage collection	Similar	82%	211	343	38
Drinking water	Similar	69%	196	309	36
Sewer services	Similar	81%	179	312	42
Storm water management	Similar	71%	171	335	49
Power (electric and/or gas) utility	Similar	76%	173	228	24
Utility billing	Similar	68%	188	264	29
Police/Sheriff services	Similar	74%	313	418	25
Crime prevention	Similar	56%	268	366	27
Animal control	Similar	64%	224	329	32
Ambulance or emergency medical services	Similar	87%	268	327	18
Fire services	Similar	93%	217	360	40
Fire prevention and education	Similar	80%	170	299	43
Emergency preparedness	Similar	60%	212	299	29
Preservation of natural areas	Similar	71%	80	279	71
Kingsport open space	Similar	61%	141	268	47
Recycling	Much lower	17%	345	346	0
Yard waste pick-up	Similar	73%	161	292	45
City parks	Similar	77%	224	325	31
Recreation programs or classes	Similar	66%	189	320	41

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Kingsport.	5	0413	C 0 0	176	202	4.0
	Recreation centers or facilities	Similar	69%	176	293	40
	Health services	Similar	63%	195	259	25
	Public library services	Similar	83%	237	333	28
	Overall customer service by Kingsport employees	Similar	81%	187	381	51
Please rate the following categories of Kingsport	The value of services for the taxes paid to Kingsport	Similar	53%	189	388	51
government performance.	The overall direction that Kingsport is taking	Similar	52%	237	335	29
	The job Kingsport government does at welcoming resident involvement	Similar	50%	196	329	40
	Overall confidence in Kingsport government	Similar	50%	181	290	37
	Generally acting in the best interest of the community	Similar	54%	190	293	35
	Being honest	Similar	55%	179	284	37
	Being open and transparent to the public	Similar	53%	67	116	43
	Informing residents about issues facing the community	Similar	48%	84	123	32
	Treating all residents fairly	Similar	56%	183	290	37
	Treating residents with respect	Similar	60%	81	114	29
Overall, how would you rate the quality of the	The City of Kingsport	Similar	65%	269	384	30
services provided by each	The Federal Government	Similar	34%	215	274	21
Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for	Overall economic health	Higher	97%	6	268	98
the Kingsport community to focus on each of the	Overall quality of the transportation system	Lower	62%	102	113	10
following in the coming two years.	Overall design or layout of residential and commercial areas	Lower	68%	237	268	11
eno years.	Overall quality of the utility infrastructure	Similar	93%	35	112	69
	Overall feeling of safety	Similar	95%	78	268	71
	Overall quality of natural environment	Similar	84%	168	268	37
	Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities	Similar	80%	94	113	17
	Overall health and wellness opportunities	Similar	86%	52	268	80
	Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts	Similar	888	46	268	83
	Residents' connection and engagement with their community	Lower	68%	236	268	11
In general, how many times do you:	Access the internet from your home	Similar	89%	105	113	7
	Access the internet from your cell phone	Similar	888	102	113	10
	Visit social media sites	Similar	78%	73	112	35
	Use or check email	Similar	94%	101	113	11
	Share your opinions online	Similar	29%	77	113	32

In general, how many times do you:	Shop online	Similar	46%	98	113	14
	Please rate your overall health.	Similar	49%	267	274	2
	What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family	Similar	22%	235	277	15

#### **Complete set of frequencies**

This dashboard contains a complete set of responses to each question on the survey. By default, "Don't know" responses are excluded, but may be added to the table using the response filter to the right. When a table for a question that only permitted a single response does not total to exactly 100%, it is due to the common practice of percentages being rounded to the nearest whole number.

20% Please rate each of the following Kingsport as a place to live Excellent aspects of quality of life in Kingsport. 57% Good 19% Fair Poor 3% Your neighborhood as a place to live Excellent 33% Good 46% 14% Fair 7% Poor 28% Kingsport as a place to raise children Excellent Good 47% 19% Fair 5% Poor 15% Kingsport as a place to work Excellent 47% Good 24% Fair 14% Poor 16% Kingsport as a place to visit Excellent 38% Good 29% Fair 17% Poor 25% Excellent Kingsport as a place to retire 52% Good Fair 13% Poor 10% The overall quality of life Excellent 15% 57% Good 23% Fair 5% Poor

Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Kingsport.	Sense of community	Excellent	11%
		Good	49%
		Fair	29%
		Poor	11%
Please rate each of the following	Overall economic health	Excellent	6%
characteristics as they relate to Kingsport as a whole.		Good	41%
		Fair	38%
		Poor	15%
	Overall quality of the transportation system	Excellent	12%
		Good	49%
		Fair	29%
		Poor	10%
	Overall design or layout of residential and commercial areas	Excellent	7%
	Commercial areas	Good	48%
		Fair	35%
		Poor	10%
	Overall quality of the utility infrastructure	Excellent	14%
		Good	49%
		Fair	28%
		Poor	9%
	Overall feeling of safety	Excellent	15%
		Good	49%
		Fair	28%
		Poor	9%
	Overall quality of natural environment	Excellent	19%
		Good	54%
		Fair	20%
		Poor	7%
	Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities	Excellent	32%
		Good	47%
		Fair	18%

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to	Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities	Poor	4%
Kingsport as a whole.	Overall health and wellness opportunities	Excellent	18%
		Good	50%
		Fair	24%
		Poor	9%
	Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts	Excellent	15%
	tile arts	Good	43%
		Fair	29%
		Poor	13%
	Residents' connection and engagement with their community	Excellent	5%
	Community	Good	38%
		Fair	41%
		Poor	16%
Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following.	Recommend living in Kingsport to someone who asks	Very likely	36%
you are to do each of the following.	dSKS	Somewhat likely	42%
		Somewhat unlikely	10%
		Very unlikely	12%
	Remain in Kingsport for the next five years	Very likely	59%
		Somewhat likely	26%
		Somewhat unlikely	7%
		Very unlikely	7%
Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:	In your neighborhood during the day	Very safe	59%
reei.		Somewhat safe	32%
		Neither safe nor unsafe	4%
		Somewhat unsafe	3%
		Very unsafe	3%
	In Kingsport's downtown/commercial area during the day	Very safe	38%
	the day	Somewhat safe	48%
		Neither safe nor unsafe	7%
		Somewhat unsafe	4%
		Very unsafe	3%

Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:	From property crime	Very safe	22%
		Somewhat safe	47%
		Neither safe nor unsafe	11%
		Somewhat unsafe	14%
		Very unsafe	7%
	From violent crime	Very safe	34%
		Somewhat safe	44%
		Neither safe nor unsafe	11%
		Somewhat unsafe	8%
		Very unsafe	4%
	From fire, flood, or other natural disaster	Very safe	44%
		Somewhat safe	43%
		Neither safe nor unsafe	8%
		Somewhat unsafe	2%
		Very unsafe	3%
Please rate the job you feel the Kingsport community does at each of	Making all residents feel welcome	Excellent	12%
the following.		Good	58%
		Fair	21%
		Poor	9%
	Attracting people from diverse backgrounds	Excellent	8%
		Good	41%
		Fair	29%
		Poor	22%
	Valuing/respecting residents from diverse backgrounds	Excellent	12%
	buckgrounds	Good	41%
		Fair	36%
		Poor	12%
	Taking care of vulnerable residents	Excellent	10%
		Good	28%
		Fair	34%
		Poor	28%

Please rate each of the following in the Kingsport community.	Overall quality of business and service establishments	Excellent	9%
the kingsport community.	establishments	Good	51%
		Fair	29%
		Poor	11%
	Variety of business and service establishments	Excellent	9%
		Good	35%
		Fair	39%
		Poor	17%
	Vibrancy of downtown/commercial area	Excellent	7%
		Good	33%
		Fair	43%
		Poor	18%
	Employment opportunities	Excellent	9%
		Good	37%
		Fair	31%
		Poor	23%
	Shopping opportunities	Excellent	6%
		Good	28%
		Fair	38%
		Poor	29%
	Cost of living	Excellent	17%
		Good	46%
		Fair	27%
		Poor	9%
	Overall image or reputation	Excellent	10%
		Good	56%
		Fair	22%
		Poor	13%
Please also rate each of the following in the Kingsport community.	Traffic flow on major streets	Excellent	12%
a angopore community.		Good	57%
		Fair	23%

Please also rate each of the following in the Kingsport community.	Traffic flow on major streets	Poor	8%
	Ease of public parking	Excellent	17%
		Good	55%
		Fair	21%
		Poor	7%
	Ease of travel by car	Excellent	26%
		Good	56%
		Fair	14%
		Poor	4%
	Ease of travel by public transportation	Excellent	18%
		Good	37%
		Fair	26%
		Poor	19%
	Ease of travel by bicycle	Excellent	16%
		Good	37%
		Fair	32%
		Poor	15%
	Ease of walking	Excellent	16%
		Good	45%
		Fair	23%
		Poor	16%
	Well-planned residential growth	Excellent	7%
		Good	34%
		Fair	39%
		Poor	20%
	Well-planned commercial growth	Excellent	6%
		Good	31%
		Fair	31%
		Poor	32%
	Well-designed neighborhoods	Excellent	8%
		Good	46%

Please also rate each of the following	Well-designed neighborhoods	Fair	34%
in the Kingsport community.		Poor	12%
	Preservation of the historical or cultural character		13%
	of the community	Good	47%
		Fair	27%
		Poor	14%
	Public places where people want to spend time	Excellent	9%
		Good	39%
		Fair	40%
		Poor	12%
	Variety of housing options	Excellent	6%
	turiot, or noticing options	Good	38%
		Fair	30%
		Poor	26%
	Availability of affordable quality housing	Excellent	7%
		Good	32%
		Fair	30%
		Poor	31%
	Overall quality of new development	Excellent	7%
		Good	37%
		Fair	35%
		Poor	22%
	Overall appearance	Excellent	9%
		Good	50%
		Fair	32%
		Poor	8%
	Cleanliness	Excellent	15%
		Good	45%
		Fair	33%
		Poor	7%
	Water resources	Excellent	19%

Please also rate each of the following in the Kingsport community.	Water resources	Good	39%
· · · · · ·		Fair	34%
		Poor	8%
	Air quality	Excellent	8%
		Good	30%
		Fair	30%
		Poor	32%
	Availability of paths and walking trails	Excellent	32%
		Good	44%
		Fair	19%
		Poor	5%
	Fitness opportunities	Excellent	27%
		Good	45%
		Fair	23%
		Poor	5%
	Recreational opportunities	Excellent	20%
		Good	49%
		Fair	22%
		Poor	10%
	Availability of affordable quality food	Excellent	17%
		Good	51%
		Fair	28%
		Poor	5%
	Availability of affordable quality health care	Excellent	15%
		Good	35%
		Fair	27%
		Poor	23%
	Availability of preventive health services	Excellent	17%
		Good	36%
		Fair	29%
		Poor	17%

Please also rate each of the following		- " .	110
in the Kingsport community.	Availability of affordable quality mental health care	Excellent	11%
		Good	23%
		Fair	31%
		Poor	35%
	Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities	Excellent	11%
		Good	37%
		Fair	38%
		Poor	15%
	Community support for the arts	Excellent	9%
		Good	42%
		Fair	36%
		Poor	13%
	Availability of affordable quality	Excellent	11%
	childcare/preschool	Good	37%
		Fair	27%
		Poor	25%
	K-12 education	Excellent	32%
		Good	44%
		Fair	20%
		Poor	4%
	Adult educational opportunities	Excellent	11%
		Good	42%
		Fair	39%
		Poor	9%
	Sense of civic/community pride	Excellent	8%
		Good	54%
		Fair	24%
		Poor	13%
	Neighborliness of residents	Excellent	16%
		Good	45%
		Fair	31%

Please also rate each of the following in the Kingsport community.	Neighborliness of residents	Poor	9%
	Opportunities to participate in social events and	Excellent	12%
	activities	Good	44%
		Fair	36%
		Poor	8%
	Opportunities to attend special events and festivals	Excellent	16%
	restivats	Good	47%
		Fair	29%
		Poor	8%
	Opportunities to volunteer	Excellent	21%
		Good	53%
		Fair	22%
		Poor	3%
	Opportunities to participate in community matters	Excellent	11%
		Good	43%
		Fair	35%
		Poor	12%
	Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds	Excellent	9%
		Good	39%
		Fair	35%
		Poor	17%
Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the	Contacted the City of Kingsport for help or information	No	52%
last 12 months.		Yes	48%
	Contacted Kingsport elected officials to express your opinion	No	85%
		Yes	15%
	Attended a local public meeting	No	
	Watehad a lacel multiple manaking	Yes	11%
	Watched a local public meeting	No	27%
	Volunteered your time to some group/activity	Yes	69%
	voidificeered your time to some group/activity	Yes	31%
		163	310

Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the	Campaigned or advocated for a local issue, cause, or candidate	No	81%
last 12 months.		Yes	19%
	Voted in your most recent local election	No	31%
		Yes	69%
	Used public transportation instead of driving	No	95%
		Yes	5%
	Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone	No	63%
		Yes	37%
	Walked or biked instead of driving	No	68%
		Yes	32%
Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Kingsport.	Public information services	Excellent	12%
Tonowing Services in Kingspore.		Good	55%
		Fair	25%
		Poor	8%
	Economic development	Excellent	8%
		Good	38%
		Fair	34%
		Poor	20%
	Traffic enforcement	Excellent	12%
		Good	54%
		Fair	21%
		Poor	12%
	Traffic signal timing	Excellent	10%
		Good	42%
		Fair	25%
		Poor	24%
	Street repair	Excellent	6%
		Good	33%
		Fair	28%
		Poor	33%
	Street cleaning	Excellent	14%

Please rate the quality of each of the	Street cleaning	Good	55%
following services in Kingsport.		Fair	21%
		Poor	11%
	Street lighting	Excellent	14%
		Good	55%
		Fair	24%
		Poor	6%
	Snow removal	Excellent	19%
		Good	52%
		Fair	18%
		Poor	10%
	Sidewalk maintenance	Excellent	12%
		Good	48%
		Fair	29%
		Poor	11%
	Bus or transit services	Excellent	15%
		Good	51%
		Fair	25%
		Poor	9%
	Land use, planning and zoning	Excellent	9%
		Good	40%
		Fair	29%
		Poor	22%
	Code enforcement	Excellent	6%
		Good	27%
		Fair	32%
	Affordable high around internat access	Poor	14%
	Affordable high-speed internet access	Excellent Good	31%
		Fair	29%
		Poor	26%

Please rate the quality of each of the	Garbage collection	Excellent	32	90
following services in Kingsport.		Good	49	18
		Fair	15	olo
		Poor	4	olo
	Drinking water	Excellent	20	િલ
		Good	49	18
		Fair	23	9
		Poor	8	88
	Sewer services	Excellent	22	olo
		Good	59	99
		Fair	15	્રેલ
		Poor	4	ુ
	Storm water management	Excellent	18	앙
		Good	53	olo
		Fair	18	olo
		Poor	11	olo
	Power (electric and/or gas) utility	Excellent	19	olo
		Good	57	olo
		Fair	19	엉
		Poor	5	ેલ
	Utility billing	Excellent	16	olo
		Good	52	olo
		Fair	23	olo
		Poor	9	) 응
	Police/Sheriff services	Excellent	25	
		Good	49	olo
		Fair	17	
		Poor		) 응
	Crime prevention	Excellent	16	
		Good	41	
		Fair	34	olo

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Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Kingsport.	Crime prevention	Poor	9%
	Animal control	Excellent	13%
		Good	51%
		Fair	22%
		Poor	14%
	Ambulance or emergency medical services	Excellent	29%
		Good	57%
		Fair	9%
		Poor	5%
	Fire services	Excellent	40%
		Good	53%
		Fair	4%
		Poor	2%
	Fire prevention and education	Excellent	29%
		Good	51%
		Fair	14%
		Poor	6%
	Emergency preparedness	Excellent	16%
		Good	44%
		Fair	26%
		Poor	14%
	Preservation of natural areas	Excellent	26%
		Good	46%
		Fair	19%
		Poor	10%
	Kingsport open space	Excellent	17%
		Good	45%
		Fair	30%
		Poor	9%
	Recycling	Excellent	3%

Good

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Kingsport.	Recycling	Fair		21%
		Poor		62%
	Yard waste pick-up	Excellent		28%
		Good		45%
		Fair		21%
		Poor		6%
	City parks	Excellent		23%
		Good		53%
		Fair		18%
		Poor		5%
	Recreation programs or classes	Excellent		22%
		Good		44%
		Fair		27%
		Poor		7%
	Recreation centers or facilities	Excellent		19%
		Good		50%
		Fair		20%
		Poor		11%
	Health services	Excellent		13%
		Good		50%
		Fair		20%
	Dublia libuaru agusigas	Poor		30%
	Public library services	Excellent		54%
		Fair		14%
		Poor		2%
	Overall customer service by Kingsport employees			22%
	2.2.2 22223 Sol vice by milgsport employees	Good		60%
		Fair		15%
		Poor	Ī	3%
Please rate the following categories	The value of services for the taxes paid to	Excellent		13%
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Please rate the following categories of Kingsport government	The value of services for the taxes paid to Kingsport	Good	40%
performance.		Fair	31%
		Poor	15%
	The overall direction that Kingsport is taking	Excellent	12%
		Good	40%
		Fair	28%
		Poor	20%
	The job Kingsport government does at welcoming resident involvement	Excellent	11%
	resident involvement	Good	39%
		Fair	34%
		Poor	16%
	Overall confidence in Kingsport government	Excellent	10%
		Good	40%
		Fair	31%
		Poor	19%
	Generally acting in the best interest of the community	Excellent	12%
	Community	Good	42%
		Fair	28%
		Poor	19%
	Being honest	Excellent	14%
		Good	41%
		Fair	27%
		Poor	18%
	Being open and transparent to the public	Excellent	13%
		Good	40%
		Fair	30%
		Poor	18%
	Informing residents about issues facing the community	Excellent	12%
	• •	Good	36%
		Fair	31%
		Poor	21%

Please rate the following categories of Kingsport government performance.	Treating all residents fairly	Excellent	12%
		Good	44%
		Fair	22%
		Poor	22%
	Treating residents with respect	Excellent	14%
		Good	46%
		Fair	27%
		Poor	13%
Overall, how would you rate the	The City of Kingsport	Excellent	19%
quality of the services provided by each of the following?		Good	46%
		Fair	27%
		Poor	8%
	The Federal Government	Excellent	8%
		Good	26%
		Fair	37%
		Poor	29%
Please rate how important, if at all,	Overall economic health	Essential	61%
you think it is for the Kingsport community to focus on each of the		Very important	36%
following in the coming two years.		Somewhat important	3%
		Not at all important	1%
	Overall quality of the transportation system	Essential	23%
		Very important	38%
		Somewhat important	33%
		Not at all important	5%
	Overall design or layout of residential and commercial areas	Essential	23%
	Confinercial areas	Very important	44%
		Somewhat important	30%
		Not at all important	2%
	Overall quality of the utility infrastructure	Essential	47%
		Very important	46%
		Somewhat important	6%

Please rate how important, if at all, Overall quality of the utility infrastructure 1% Not at all important you think it is for the Kingsport community to focus on each of the 57% Overall feeling of safety Essential following in the coming two years. 38% Very important Somewhat important 5% 1% Not at all important 29% Overall quality of natural environment Essential Very important 54% 16% Somewhat important 1% Not at all important 22% Overall quality of parks and recreation Essential opportunities 58% Very important 19% Somewhat important 1% Not at all important 31% Overall health and wellness opportunities Essential 55% Very important 13% Somewhat important 1% Not at all important 35% Overall opportunities for education, culture, and Essential the arts 52% Very important Somewhat important 10% 3% Not at all important Residents' connection and engagement with their Essential 18% community 50% Very important 29% Somewhat important 3% Not at all important 80% Please rate the level of importance for Providing urgent treatment to cardiac Essential the City of Kingsport Fire Department emergencies such as cardiac arrest, stroke, etc. 18% to provide each of the following (i.e., Advanced Life Support) Very important emergency medical response services. 2% Somewhat important 1% Not at all important 68% Providing a wide range of medical treatments Essential including fracture immobilization, cervical spine

stabilization, monitoring vital signs, etc. (i.e.,

29%

Very important

Please rate the level of importance for the City of Kingsport Fire Department to provide each of the following emergency medical response services.	Providing a wide range of medical treatments including fracture immobilization, cervical spine	Somewhat important	3%
	stabilization, monitoring vital signs, etc. (i.e., Intermediate Life Support)	Not at all important	1%
	Providing basic services including CPR, basic first aid, etc. (i.e., Basic Life Saving)	Essential	75%
	aid, etc. (i.e., basic life saving)	Very important	22%
		Somewhat important	2%
		Not at all important	1%
Please rate the quality of each of the following types of communication you		Excellent	16%
receive from the City of Kingsport		Good	47%
Police Department.		Fair	21%
		Poor	16%
	Emergency notifications	Excellent	17%
		Good	45%
		Fair	26%
		Poor	12%
	Department transparency	Excellent	12%
		Good	41%
		Fair	29%
		Poor	18%
	General Department updates/activity	Excellent	14%
		Good	37%
		Fair	29%
		Poor	21%
How would you rate the quality of information provided by each of the	City of Kingsport website (www.kingsporttn.gov)	Excellent	16%
following?		Good	57%
		Fair	21%
		Poor	6%
	Local television stations	Excellent	11%
		Good	54%
		Fair	25%
		Poor	10%
	Local newspapers	Excellent	12%

How would you rate the quality of information provided by each of the	Local newspapers	Good	51%
following?		Fair	25%
		Poor	13%
	Government access channel (Channel 192)	Excellent	18%
		Good	40%
		Fair	26%
		Poor	15%
	Board of Mayor and Aldermen Highlights	Excellent	14%
	newsletters	Good	41%
		Fair	23%
		Poor	21%
	City of Kingsport social media channels	Excellent	15%
		Good	43%
		Fair	33%
		Poor	10%
	Word-of-mouth	Excellent	10%
		Good	30%
		Fair	40%
		Poor	20%
	Board of Mayor and Aldermen meetings	Excellent	13%
		Good	36%
		Fair	34%
		Poor	17%
	Utility/Water bill messaging	Excellent	11%
		Good	51%
		Fair	25%
		Poor	12%
	City of Kingsport communications via social media	a Excellent	12%
		Good	38%
		Fair	40%
		Poor	10%

In general, how many times do you:	Access the internet from your home	Several times a day	80%
		Once a day	4%
		A few times a week	5%
		Every few weeks	1%
		Less often or never	9%
	Access the internet from your cell phone	Several times a day	81%
		Once a day	2%
		A few times a week	5%
		Every few weeks	1%
		Less often or never	12%
	Visit social media sites	Several times a day	59%
		Once a day	11%
		A few times a week	9%
		Every few weeks	1%
		Less often or never	21%
	Use or check email	Several times a day	73%
		Once a day	14%
		A few times a week	7%
		Every few weeks	1%
		Less often or never	5%
	Share your opinions online	Several times a day	13%
		Once a day	2%
		A few times a week	14%
		Every few weeks	14%
		Less often or never	57%
	Shop online	Several times a day	15%
		Once a day	7%
		A few times a week	25%
		Every few weeks	28%
		Less often or never	26%
	Please rate your overall health.	Excellent	20%

	Please rate your overall health.	Very good	29%
		Good	27%
		Fair	20%
		Poor	4%
	What impact, if any, do you think the economy will	Very positive	3%
	have on your family income in the next 6 months? Do you think the impact will be:	Somewhat positive	19%
		Neutral	33%
		Somewhat negative	33%
		Very negative	12%
	How many years have you lived in Kingsport?	Less than 2 years	10%
		2-5 years	17%
		6-10 years	9%
		11-20 years	15%
		More than 20 years	49%
	Which best describes the building you live in?	One family house detached from any other houses	61%
		Building with two or more homes (duplex, townhome, apa	35%
		Mobile home	2%
		Other	2%
	Do you rent or own your home?	Rent	38%
		Own	62%
About how much is your monthly	About how much is your monthly housing cost for	Less than \$500	19%
housing cost for the place you live (including rent, mortgage payment,	the place you live (including rent, mortgage payment, property tax, property insurance and	\$500 to \$999	32%
property tax, property insurance, and homeowners' association (HOA) fees)?		\$1,000 to \$1,499	26%
		\$1,500 to \$1,999	10%
		\$2,000 to \$2,499	8%
		\$2,500 to \$2,999	2%
		\$3,000 to \$3,499	2%
		\$3,500 or more	2%
	Do any children 17 or under live in your	No	68%
	household?	Yes	32%
	Are you or any other members of your household	No	60%

	Are you or any other members of your household aged 65 or older?	Yes	40%
	How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the current	Less than \$25,000	26%
	year? (Please include in your total income money from all sources for all persons living in your	\$25,000 to \$49,999	20%
	household.)	\$50,000 to \$74,999	17%
		\$75,000 to \$99,999	12%
		\$100,000 to \$149,999	9%
		\$150,000 or more	15%
Are you Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino?	Are you Spanish, Hispanic or Latino?	No, not Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino	99%
		Yes, I consider myself to be Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino	1%
	What is your race? (Mark one or more races to indicate what race you consider yourself to be.)	American Indian or Alaskan Native	2%
	mulcate what race you consider yoursen to be.,	Asian, Asian Indian, or Pacific Islander	1%
		Black or African American	2%
		White	95%
		Other	1%
	In which category is your age?	18-24 years	3%
		25-34 years	17%
		35-44 years	16%
		45-54 years	16%
		55-64 years	15%
		65-74 years	19%
		75 years or older	16%
	What is your gender?	Female	56%
		Male	44%

## Methods (open participation)

As part of its participation in The National Community Survey<sup>™</sup> (The NCS<sup>™</sup>), the City of Kingsport conducted a survey of 442 residents. Survey invitations were mailed to randomly selected households and data were collected from October 12th, 2021 to November 30th, 2021. The results from this main survey effort represent the most robust estimate of your residents' opinions.

After the above data collection period was underway, a link to an online open participation survey was publicized by the City of Kingsport. The open participation survey was identical to the probability sample survey with two small updates; it included a map at the beginning asking where the respondent lives and also a question about where they heard about the survey. The open participation survey was open to all city residents and became available on November 16th, 2021. The survey remained open for two weeks and there were 302 responses.

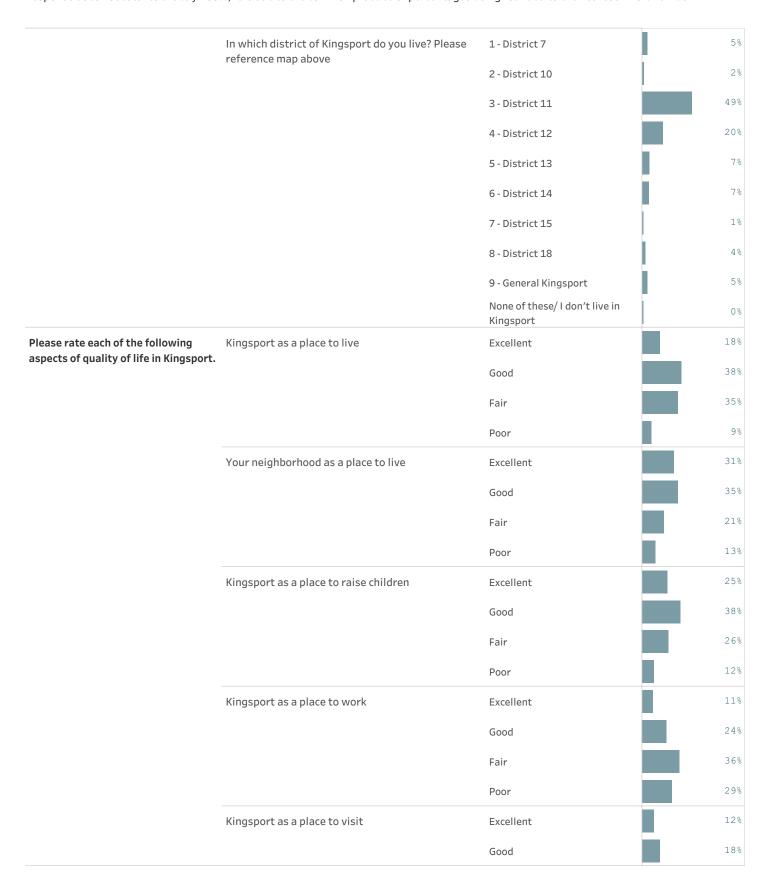
The open participation survey data were not collected through a random sample and it is unknown who in the community was aware of the survey; therefore, a level of confidence in the representativeness of the sample cannot be estimated. However, to reduce bias where possible, these data were statistically weighted to match the demographic characteristics of the 2010 Census and 2019 American Community Survey estimates for adults in the City of Kingsport. The characteristics used for weighting were age, sex, race, Hispanic origin, housing type, housing tenure, and area. No adjustments were made for design effects. Weights were calculated using an iterative, multiplicative raking model known as the ANES Weighting Algorithm.\* The results of the weighting scheme for the open participation survey are presented in the following table.

\* Pasek, J. (2010). ANES Weighting Algorithm. Retrieved from https://web.stanford.edu/group/iriss/cgi-bin/anesrake/resources/RakingDescription.pdf

		Unweighted	Weighted	Target*
Age	18-34	14%	25%	24%
	35-54	42%	30%	29%
	55+	44%	45%	46%
Area	District 0	11%	5%	5%
	District 7	14%	5%	5%
	District 10	2%	2%	2%
	District 11	48%	51%	52%
	District 12	14%	21%	21%
	District 13	5%	8%	7%
	District 14	5%	7%	6%
	District 15	0%	1%	1%
Hispanic	No, not Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino	99%	99%	99%
	Yes, I consider myself to be Spanish, Hispa	1%	1%	1%
Housing type	Attached	6%	32%	36%
	Detached	94%	68%	64%
race	Not white	6%	7%	7%
	White	94%	93%	93%
Race/ethnicity	Not white alone	8%	9%	8%
	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	92%	91%	92%
Sex	Female	61%	55%	55%
	Male	39%	45%	45%
Sex/age	Female 18-34	8%	13%	13%
	Female 35-54	26%	15%	15%
	Female 55+	27%	27%	27%
	Male 18-34	6%	12%	12%
	Male 35-54	17%	15%	14%
	Male 55+	16%	18%	19%
Tenure	Own	93%	67%	62%
	Rent	7%	33%	38%

## Open participation survey results

This dashboard contains a complete set of responses to each question on the open participation survey. By default, "don't know" responses are excluded, but may be added to the table using the response filter to the right. When a table for a question that only permitted a single response does not total to exactly 100%, it is due to the common practice of percentages being rounded to the nearest whole number.



Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Kingsport.	Kingsport as a place to visit	Fair	28%
		Poor	43%
	Kingsport as a place to retire	Excellent	23%
		Good	32%
		Fair	31%
		Poor	15%
	The overall quality of life	Excellent	15%
		Good	32%
		Fair	39%
		Poor	15%
	Sense of community	Excellent	12%
		Good	27%
		Fair	32%
		Poor	29%
Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to	Overall economic health	Excellent	2%
Kingsport as a whole.		Good	31%
		Fair	34%
		Poor	33%
	Overall quality of the transportation system	Excellent	13%
		Good	33%
		Fair	33%
		Poor	21%
	Overall design or layout of residential and commercial areas	Excellent	7%
		Good	45%
		Fair	30%
		Poor	17%
	Overall quality of the utility infrastructure	Excellent	16%
		Good	44%
		Fair	24%
		Poor	16%
	Overall feeling of safety	Excellent	11%
		Good	38%

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to	Overall feeling of safety	Fair	29%
Kingsport as a whole.		Poor	22%
	Overall quality of natural environment	Excellent	19%
		Good	40%
		Fair	28%
		Poor	13%
	Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities	Excellent	22%
	oppor currenes	Good	44%
		Fair	29%
		Poor	5%
	Overall health and wellness opportunities	Excellent	7%
		Good	45%
		Fair	31%
		Poor	18%
	Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts	Excellent	7%
		Good	36%
		Fair	34%
		Poor	23%
	Residents' connection and engagement with their community	Excellent	6%
		Good	30%
		Fair	37%
		Poor	27%
Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following.	Recommend living in Kingsport to someone who asks	Very likely	21%
you are to up each or the ronowing.		Somewhat likely	31%
		Somewhat unlikely	20%
		Very unlikely	28%
	Remain in Kingsport for the next five years	Very likely	45%
		Somewhat likely	32%
		Somewhat unlikely	10%
		Very unlikely	14%
Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:	In your neighborhood during the day	Very safe	54%
		Somewhat safe	25%

Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:	In your neighborhood during the day	Neither safe nor unsafe	6%
		Somewhat unsafe	11%
		Very unsafe	4%
	In Kingsport's downtown/commercial area during	Very safe	30%
	the day	Somewhat safe	44%
		Neither safe nor unsafe	11%
		Somewhat unsafe	13%
		Very unsafe	3%
	From property crime	Very safe	17%
		Somewhat safe	38%
		Neither safe nor unsafe	9%
		Somewhat unsafe	23%
		Very unsafe	14%
	From violent crime	Very safe	22%
		Somewhat safe	34%
		Neither safe nor unsafe	13%
		Somewhat unsafe	17%
		Very unsafe	14%
	From fire, flood, or other natural disaster	Very safe	44%
		Somewhat safe	43%
		Neither safe nor unsafe	8%
		Somewhat unsafe	4%
		Very unsafe	1%
Please rate the job you feel the Kingsport community does at each of	Making all residents feel welcome	Excellent	13%
the following.		Good	31%
		Fair	30%
		Poor	26%
	Attracting people from diverse backgrounds	Excellent	7%
		Good	26%
		Fair	26%
		Poor	41%
	Valuing/respecting residents from diverse	Excellent	9%
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Please rate the job you feel the Kingsport community does at each of	Valuing/respecting residents from diverse backgrounds	Good	32%
the following.	<b>3</b>	Fair	25%
		Poor	34%
	Taking care of vulnerable residents	Excellent	3%
		Good	17%
		Fair	26%
		Poor	54%
Please rate each of the following in	Overall quality of business and service establishments	Excellent	6%
the Kingsport community.	establistillients	Good	28%
		Fair	43%
		Poor	22%
	Variety of business and service establishments	Excellent	4%
		Good	16%
		Fair	34%
		Poor	46%
	Vibrancy of downtown/commercial area	Excellent	2%
		Good	14%
		Fair	39%
		Poor	45%
	Employment opportunities	Excellent	2%
		Good	22%
		Fair	28%
		Poor	48%
	Shopping opportunities	Excellent	2%
		Good	10%
		Fair	32%
		Poor	56%
	Cost of living	Excellent	15%
		Good	35%
		Fair	37%
		Poor	13%
	Overall image or reputation	Excellent	9%

Please rate each of the following in the Kingsport community.	Overall image or reputation	Good	29%
		Fair	34%
		Poor	28%
Please also rate each of the following	Traffic flow on major streets	Excellent	11%
in the Kingsport community.		Good	48%
		Fair	26%
		Poor	14%
	Ease of public parking	Excellent	16%
		Good	44%
		Fair	29%
		Poor	11%
	Ease of travel by car	Excellent	23%
		Good	57%
		Fair	16%
		Poor	5%
	Ease of travel by public transportation	Excellent	13%
		Good	25%
		Fair	35%
		Poor	27%
	Ease of travel by bicycle	Excellent	10%
		Good	38%
		Fair	30%
		Poor	22%
	Ease of walking	Excellent	9%
		Good	35%
		Fair	33%
		Poor	23%
	Well-planned residential growth	Excellent	5%
		Good	21%
		Fair	49%
		Poor	25%
	Well-planned commercial growth	Excellent	0%

Please also rate each of the following in the Kingsport community.	Well-planned commercial growth	Good		10%
3,1		Fair		24%
		Poor		66%
	Well-designed neighborhoods	Excellent		4%
		Good		32%
		Fair		46%
		Poor		17%
	Preservation of the historical or cultural character	Excellent		13%
	of the community	Good		34%
		Fair		35%
		Poor		18%
	Public places where people want to spend time	Excellent		9%
		Good		15%
		Fair		42%
		Poor		34%
	Variety of housing options	Excellent		5%
		Good		23%
		Fair		33%
		Poor		40%
	Availability of affordable quality housing	Excellent		4%
		Good		20%
		Fair		32%
		Poor		44%
	Overall quality of new development	Excellent		3%
		Good		23%
		Fair		31%
		Poor		43%
	Overall appearance	Excellent		6%
		Good		29%
		Fair		49%
		Poor		17%
	Cleanliness	Excellent		10%
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Please also rate each of the following in the Kingsport community.	Cleanliness	Good	41%
in the Kingsport community.		Fair	34%
		Poor	15%
	Water resources	Excellent	14%
		Good	39%
		Fair	29%
		Poor	18%
	Air quality	Excellent	5%
		Good	19%
		Fair	36%
		Poor	40%
	Availability of paths and walking trails	Excellent	25%
		Good	41%
		Fair	30%
		Poor	4%
	Fitness opportunities	Excellent	25%
		Good	37%
		Fair	35%
		Poor	3%
	Recreational opportunities	Excellent	14%
		Good	32%
		Fair	30%
		Poor	24%
	Availability of affordable quality food	Excellent	11%
		Good	29%
		Fair	31%
		Poor	29%
	Availability of affordable quality health care	Excellent	9%
		Good	19%
		Fair	33%
		Poor	40%
	Availability of preventive health services	Excellent	7%

Please also rate each of the following in the Kingsport community.	Availability of preventive health services	Good		31%
the kingspore community.		Fair		38%
		Poor		24%
	Availability of affordable quality mental health care	e Excellent		1%
		Good		17%
		Fair		25%
		Poor		56%
	Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music	Excellent		9%
	activities	Good		23%
		Fair		29%
		Poor		38%
	Community support for the arts	Excellent		8%
		Good		29%
		Fair		25%
		Poor		38%
	Availability of affordable quality	Excellent		4%
	childcare/preschool	Good		22%
		Fair		33%
		Poor		41%
	K-12 education	Excellent		36%
		Good		40%
		Fair		16%
		Poor		8%
	Adult educational opportunities	Excellent		9%
		Good		33%
		Fair		34%
		Poor		24%
	Sense of civic/community pride	Excellent		14%
		Good		26%
		Fair		24%
		Poor		36%
	Neighborliness of residents	Excellent	66	12%

Please also rate each of the following in the Kingsport community.	Neighborliness of residents	Good	35%	0/0
34.		Fair	31%	olo
		Poor	22%	00
	Opportunities to participate in social events and	Excellent	9%	000
	activities	Good	29%	00
		Fair	41%	alo
		Poor	21%	olo
	Opportunities to attend special events and festivals	Excellent	11%	olo
	restivals	Good	35%	olo
		Fair	37%	olo
		Poor	17%	alo
	Opportunities to volunteer	Excellent	22%	alo
		Good	41%	alo
		Fair	27%	olo
		Poor	9%	olo
	Opportunities to participate in community matters	Excellent	11%	olo
		Good	29%	olo
		Fair	34%	olo
		Poor	26%	olo
	Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds	Excellent	10%	30
	F	Good	27%	상
		Fair	30%	상
		Poor	33%	상
Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the	Contacted the City of Kingsport for help or information	No	35%	ક
last 12 months.		Yes	65%	충
	Contacted Kingsport elected officials to express your opinion	No	67%	9
		Yes	33%	8
	Attended a local public meeting	No	76%	9
		Yes	24%	) jo
	Watched a local public meeting	No	48%	
		Yes	52%	
	Volunteered your time to some group/activity	No	51%	) S

Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months.	Volunteered your time to some group/activity	Yes	49%
	Campaigned or advocated for a local issue, cause,	No	73%
	or candidate	Yes	27%
	Voted in your most recent local election	No	18%
		Yes	82%
	Used public transportation instead of driving	No	99%
		Yes	1%
	Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone	No	62%
	uriving alone	Yes	38%
	Walked or biked instead of driving	No	56%
		Yes	44%
Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Kingsport.	Public information services	Excellent	9%
Tollowing Services in Kingspore.		Good	46%
		Fair	33%
		Poor	12%
	Economic development	Excellent	2%
		Good	17%
		Fair	35%
		Poor	45%
	Traffic enforcement	Excellent	12%
		Good	45%
		Fair	30%
		Poor	13%
	Traffic signal timing	Excellent	8%
		Good	44%
		Fair	33%
		Poor	15%
	Street repair	Excellent	1%
		Good	20%
		Fair	30%
		Poor	49%
	Street cleaning	Excellent	13%

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Kingsport.	Street cleaning	Good	4	44%
		Fair		23%
		Poor	2	20%
	Street lighting	Excellent	1	10%
		Good		51%
		Fair		29%
		Poor	1	10%
	Snow removal	Excellent	2	20%
		Good	Ē	51%
		Fair	2	26%
		Poor		3%
	Sidewalk maintenance	Excellent	1	10%
		Good	4	43%
		Fair	3	31%
		Poor		16%
	Bus or transit services	Excellent		14%
		Good	4	40%
		Fair	3	35%
		Poor		12%
	Land use, planning and zoning	Excellent		3%
		Good	2	27%
		Fair	3	30%
		Poor	3	39%
	Code enforcement	Excellent		2%
		Good	1	19%
		Fair	3	31%
		Poor	4	48%
	Affordable high-speed internet access	Excellent	_	9%
		Good		37%
		Fair	2	26%
		Poor		28%
	Garbage collection	Excellent	60	33%

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Kingsport.	Garbage collection	Good	48%
		Fair	12%
		Poor	7%
	Drinking water	Excellent	24%
		Good	47%
		Fair	22%
		Poor	7%
	Sewer services	Excellent	22%
		Good	56%
		Fair	18%
		Poor	4%
	Storm water management	Excellent	15%
		Good	55%
		Fair	19%
		Poor	12%
	Power (electric and/or gas) utility	Excellent	19%
		Good	55%
		Fair	18%
		Poor	8%
	Utility billing	Excellent	13%
		Good	49%
		Fair	27%
		Poor	10%
	Police/Sheriff services	Excellent	27%
		Good	43%
		Fair	23%
		Poor	6%
	Crime prevention	Excellent	8%
		Good	48%
		Fair	23%
		Poor	22%
	Animal control	Excellent	11%

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Kingsport.	Animal control	Good	33%
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		Fair	26%
		Poor	30%
	Ambulance or emergency medical services	Excellent	25%
		Good	49%
		Fair	24%
		Poor	2%
	Fire services	Excellent	33%
		Good	58%
		Fair	9%
		Poor	0%
	Fire prevention and education	Excellent	29%
		Good	43%
		Fair	25%
		Poor	3%
	Emergency preparedness	Excellent	9%
		Good	40%
		Fair	29%
		Poor	22%
	Preservation of natural areas	Excellent	17%
		Good	43%
		Fair	32%
		Poor	8%
	Kingsport open space	Excellent	11%
		Good	34%
		Fair	37%
		Poor	19%
	Recycling	Excellent	3%
		Good	10%
		Fair	13%
		Poor	75%
	Yard waste pick-up	Excellent	20%

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Kingsport.	Yard waste pick-up	Good	47%
		Fair	20%
		Poor	12%
	City parks	Excellent	18%
		Good	46%
		Fair	33%
		Poor	3%
	Recreation programs or classes	Excellent	10%
		Good	30%
		Fair	44%
		Poor	16%
	Recreation centers or facilities	Excellent	8%
		Good	36%
		Fair	40%
		Poor	16%
	Health services	Excellent	6%
		Good	37%
		Fair	28%
		Poor	29%
	Public library services	Excellent	23%
		Good	56%
		Fair	21%
		Poor	1%
	Overall customer service by Kingsport employees	Excellent	24%
		Good	48%
		Fair	23%
		Poor	5%
Please rate the following categories of Kingsport government	The value of services for the taxes paid to Kingsport	Excellent	12%
performance.		Good	26%
		Fair	31%
		Poor	30%
	The overall direction that Kingsport is taking	Excellent	6%

of Kingsport government	The overall direction that Kingsport is taking	Good		16%
performance.		Fair		25%
		Poor		53%
	The job Kingsport government does at welcoming resident involvement	Excellent		9%
	resident involvement	Good		23%
		Fair		26%
		Poor		41%
	Overall confidence in Kingsport government	Excellent		7%
		Good		18%
		Fair		25%
		Poor		51%
	Generally acting in the best interest of the	Excellent		9%
	community	Good		18%
		Fair		21%
		Poor		52%
	Being honest	Excellent		9%
		Good		20%
		Fair		31%
		Poor		40%
	Being open and transparent to the public	Excellent		12%
		Good		10%
		Fair		31%
		Poor		47%
	Informing residents about issues facing the	Excellent		5%
	community	Good		22%
		Fair		25%
		Poor		48%
	Treating all residents fairly	Excellent		9%
		Good		18%
		Fair		23%
		Poor		51%
	Treating residents with respect	Excellent		10%
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Please rate the following categories	Treating residents with respect	Good	24%
of Kingsport government performance.		Fair	34%
		Poor	33%
Overall, how would you rate the	The City of Kingsport	Excellent	12%
quality of the services provided by each of the following?		Good	35%
		Fair	34%
		Poor	19%
	The Federal Government	Excellent	3%
		Good	17%
		Fair	44%
		Poor	36%
Please rate how important, if at all,	Overall economic health	Essential	74%
you think it is for the Kingsport community to focus on each of the		Very important	21%
following in the coming two years.		Somewhat important	6%
	Overall quality of the transportation system	Essential	15%
		Very important	31%
		Somewhat important	48%
		Not at all important	6%
	Overall design or layout of residential and commercial areas	Essential	27%
	Commercial areas	Very important	38%
		Somewhat important	33%
		Not at all important	2%
	Overall quality of the utility infrastructure	Essential	39%
		Very important	38%
		Somewhat important	20%
		Not at all important	4%
	Overall feeling of safety	Essential	64%
		Very important	30%
		Somewhat important	4%
		Not at all important	1%
	Overall quality of natural environment	Essential	28%
		Very important	44%

Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the Kingsport	Overall quality of natural environment	Somewhat important	24%
community to focus on each of the following in the coming two years.		Not at all important	4%
	Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities	Essential	23%
	opportunities	Very important	45%
		Somewhat important	32%
		Not at all important	1%
	Overall health and wellness opportunities	Essential	33%
		Very important	41%
		Somewhat important	26%
		Not at all important	0%
	Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts	Essential	36%
	the arts	Very important	34%
		Somewhat important	26%
		Not at all important	3%
	Residents' connection and engagement with their community	Essential	30%
	Community	Very important	43%
		Somewhat important	24%
		Not at all important	3%
	Providing urgent treatment to cardiac emergencies such as cardiac arrest, stroke, etc. (i.e., Advanced	Essential	75%
to provide each of the following	Life Support)	Very important	19%
emergency medical response services.		Somewhat important	5%
		Not at all important	1%
	Providing a wide range of medical treatments including fracture immobilization, cervical spine	Essential	67%
	stabilization, monitoring vital signs, etc. (i.e.,	Very important	29%
	Intermediate Life Support)	Somewhat important	4%
		Not at all important	0%
	Providing basic services including CPR, basic first aid, etc. (i.e., Basic Life Saving)	Essential	73%
	aid, etc. (i.e., basic life saving)	Very important	26%
		Somewhat important	1%
		Not at all important	0%
Please rate the quality of each of the following types of communication you		Excellent	11%
receive from the City of Kingsport		Good	43%
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Please rate the quality of each of the following types of communication you		Fair	22%
receive from the City of Kingsport Police Department.		Poor	25%
	Emergency notifications	Excellent	15%
		Good	38%
		Fair	24%
		Poor	23%
	Department transparency	Excellent	9%
		Good	28%
		Fair	40%
		Poor	23%
	General Department updates/activity	Excellent	12%
		Good	28%
		Fair	30%
		Poor	31%
How would you rate the quality of information provided by each of the	City of Kingsport website (www.kingsporttn.gov)	Excellent	10%
following?		Good	52%
		Fair	27%
		Poor	11%
	Local television stations	Excellent	3%
		Good	36%
		Fair	49%
		Poor	12%
	Local newspapers	Excellent	8%
		Good	41%
		Fair	30%
		Poor	21%
	Government access channel (Channel 192)	Excellent	2%
		Good	43%
		Fair	29%
		Poor	26%
	Board of Mayor and Aldermen Highlights newsletters	Excellent	12%
	non-sieccui s	Good	28%

How would you rate the quality of information provided by each of the	Board of Mayor and Aldermen Highlights newsletters	Fair	20%
following?		Poor	39%
	City of Kingsport social media channels	Excellent	4%
		Good	41%
		Fair	38%
		Poor	18%
	Word-of-mouth	Excellent	6%
		Good	26%
		Fair	51%
		Poor	17%
	Board of Mayor and Aldermen meetings	Excellent	7%
		Good	31%
		Fair	34%
		Poor	28%
	Utility/Water bill messaging	Excellent	4%
		Good	41%
		Fair	35%
		Poor	19%
	City of Kingsport communications via social media	Excellent	4%
		Good	37%
		Fair	47%
		Poor	11%
In general, how many times do you:	Access the internet from your home	Several times a day	91%
		Once a day	3%
		A few times a week	3%
		Every few weeks	0%
		Less often or never	2%
	Access the internet from your cell phone	Several times a day	94%
		Once a day	1%
		A few times a week	2%
		Every few weeks	0%
		Less often or never	3%

In general, how many times do you:	Visit social media sites	Several times a day	84%
		Once a day	10%
		A few times a week	2%
		Every few weeks	1%
		Less often or never	5%
	Use or check email	Several times a day	86%
		Once a day	12%
		A few times a week	2%
		Less often or never	0%
	Share your opinions online	Several times a day	19%
		Once a day	4%
		A few times a week	26%
		Every few weeks	13%
		Less often or never	39%
	Shop online	Several times a day	19%
		Once a day	3%
		A few times a week	42%
		Every few weeks	28%
		Less often or never	8%
	Please rate your overall health.	Excellent	27%
		Very good	38%
		Good	27%
		Fair	9%
		Poor	0%
	What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months?	Very positive	2%
	Do you think the impact will be:	Somewhat positive	11%
		Neutral	27%
		Somewhat negative	41%
		Very negative	18%
	How many years have you lived in Kingsport?	Less than 2 years	9%
		2-5 years	6%
		6-10 years	13%
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	How many years have you lived in Kingsport?	11-20 years		11%
		More than 20 years		61%
	Which best describes the building you live in?	One family house detached from any other houses		61%
		Building with two or more homes (duplex, townhome, apa		28%
		Mobile home		5%
		Other		6%
	Do you rent or own your home?	Rent		33%
		Own		67%
About how much is your monthly housing cost for the place you live	About how much is your monthly housing cost for the place you live (including rent, mortgage	Less than \$500		19%
(including rent, mortgage payment,	payment, property tax, property insurance and homeowners' association (HOA) fees)?	\$500 to \$999		44%
homeowners' association (HOA) fees)		\$1,000 to \$1,499		12%
		\$1,500 to \$1,999		14%
		\$2,000 to \$2,499		4%
		\$2,500 to \$2,999		4%
		\$3,000 to \$3,499		0%
		\$3,500 or more		2%
	Do any children 17 or under live in your household?	No		63%
		Yes		37%
	Are you or any other members of your household aged 65 or older?	No		68%
	aged 03 of order:	Yes		32%
	How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the current year?	Less than \$25,000		13%
	(Please include in your total income money from all sources for all persons living in your household.)	\$25,000 to \$49,999		26%
	sources for all persons living in your nousehold.)	\$50,000 to \$74,999		19%
		\$75,000 to \$99,999		14%
		\$100,000 to \$149,999		13%
		\$150,000 or more		15%
Are you Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino?	Are you Spanish, Hispanic or Latino?	No, not Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino		99%
		Yes, I consider myself to be Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino		1%
	What is your race? (Mark one or more races to	American Indian or Alaskan Native		2%
	indicate what race you consider yourself to be.)	Black or African American		3%
		White		96%
		Other		2%
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In which category is your age?  18-24 years  25-34 years  15-64 years  15-65-74 years  15-65-75-76-76  15-65-76-76  15-65-76  15-65-76  15-65-76  15-65-76  15-65-76  15-65-76  15-65-76  15-6			
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Please complete this survey if you are the adult (age 18 or older) in the household who most recently had a birthday (the year of birth does not matter). Your responses are confidential and no identifying information will be shared.

1	Diagonate each of the following agreets of quality of life in Vingsport	
ı.	Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Kingsport.	

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Kingsport as a place to live		2	3	4	5
Your neighborhood as a place to live	1	2	3	4	5
Kingsport as a place to raise children	1	2	3	4	5
Kingsport as a place to work	1	2	3	4	5
Kingsport as a place to visit	1	2	3	4	5
Kingsport as a place to retire	1	2	3	4	5
The overall quality of life in Kingsport	1	2	3	4	5
Sense of community	1	2	3	4	5

### 2. Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Kingsport as a whole.

	<u>Fair</u>	<u>r 001</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
2	3	4	5
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## 3. Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following.

	Very <u>likelv</u>	Somewhat <u>likely</u>	Somewhat <u>unlikely</u>	Very <u>unlikely</u>	Don't <u>know</u>
Recommend living in Kingsport to someone who asks	1	2	3	4	5
Remain in Kingsport for the next five years		2	3	4	5

#### 4. Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:

	<u>safé</u>	Somewhat safe 2	Neither safe nor unsafe	Somewhat unsafe 4	Very <u>unsafe</u> 5	Don't <u>know</u> 6
In Kingsport's downtown/commercial area	1		<u> </u>	1	3	U
,	1	2	2	4	_	(
during the day	I	2	3	4	5	b
From property crime	1	2	3	4	5	6
From violent crime	1	2	3	4	5	6
From fire, flood, or other natural disaster	1	2	3	4	5	6

## 5. Please rate the job you feel the Kingsport community does at each of the following.

	Excellent	<u>6000</u>	<u>ган</u>	<u> </u>	Don t Know
Making all residents feel welcome	1	2	3	4	5
Attracting people from diverse backgrounds	1	2	3	4	5
Valuing/respecting residents from diverse backgrounds	1	2	3	4	5
Taking care of vulnerable residents (elderly, disabled, homeless, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5

### 6. Please rate each of the following in the Kingsport community.

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u> Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Overall quality of business and service establishments in Kingsport	1	2	3	4	5
Variety of business and service establishments in Kingsport	1	2	3	4	5
Vibrancy of downtown/commercial area	1	2	3	4	5
Employment opportunities	1	2	3	4	5
Shopping opportunities	1	2	3	4	5
Cost of living in Kingsport		2	3	4	5
Overall image or reputation of Kingsport		2	3	4	5

Please also rate each of the following in the Kingsport communit	<u>Excellent</u>	Good	<u>Fair</u>		Don't knov
Traffic flow on major streets	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of public parking	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of travel by car in Kingsport	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of travel by public transportation in Kingsport	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of travel by bicycle in Kingsport	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of walking in Kingsport		2	3	4	5
Well-planned residential growth	1	2	3	4	5
Well-planned commercial growth	1	2	3	4	5
Well-designed neighborhoods		2	3	4	5
Preservation of the historical or cultural character of the community.		2	3	4	5
Public places where people want to spend time		2	3	4	5
Variety of housing options		2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality housing		2	3	4	5
Overall quality of new development in Kingsport		2	3	4	5
		2	3	4	5
Overall appearance of Kingsport		2	3	4	5
Cleanliness of Kingsport		_		=	
Water resources (beaches, lakes, ponds, riverways, etc.)		2	3	4	5
Air quality		2	3	4	5
Availability of paths and walking trails		2	3	4	5
Fitness opportunities (including exercise classes and paths or trails, e		2	3	4	5
Recreational opportunities		2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality food		2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality health care		2	3	4	5
Availability of preventive health services		2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality mental health care	1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities	1	2	3	4	5
Community support for the arts	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality childcare/preschool	1	2	3	4	5
K-12 education	1	2	3	4	5
Adult educational opportunities	1	2	3	4	5
Sense of civic/community pride		2	3	4	5
Neighborliness of residents in Kingsport		2	3	4	5
Opportunities to participate in social events and activities		2	3	4	5
Opportunities to attend special events and festivals		2	3	4	5
Opportunities to volunteer		2	3	4	5
Opportunities to participate in community matters		2	3	4	5
Openness and acceptance of the community toward people	1	2	3	Т	J
of diverse backgrounds	1	2	3	4	5
-				4	5
Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the followi	ng in the la	st 12 m	onths.	No	Voc
Contracted the City of Vinceneut (in narrow phone amail arread) for	haln aninfa	um ati an		<u>No</u>	Yes 2
Contacted the City of Kingsport (in-person, phone, email, or web) for					2 2
Contacted Kingsport elected officials (in-person, phone, email, or web			inion	1	Z
Attended a local public meeting (of local elected officials like City Cou				4	2
Commissioners, advisory boards, town halls, HOA, neighborhood v					2
Watched (online or on television) a local public meeting					2
Volunteered your time to some group/activity in Kingsport					2
Campaigned or advocated for a local issue, cause, or candidate					2
Voted in your most recent local election					2
Used bus, rail, subway, or other public transportation instead of drivi					2
Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone					2
Walked or biked instead of driving				1	2

# 9. Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Kingsport.

rease rate the quality of each of the following services in king	<u>Excellent</u>	Good	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	Don't know
Public information services	1	2	3	4	5
Economic development	1	2	3	4	5
Traffic enforcement	1	2	3	4	5
Traffic signal timing	1	2	3	4	5
Street repair	1	2	3	4	5
Street cleaning	1	2	3	4	5
Street lighting	1	2	3	4	5
Snow removal	1	2	3	4	5
Sidewalk maintenance	1	2	3	4	5
Bus or transit services	1	2	3	4	5
Land use, planning, and zoning	1	2	3	4	5
Code enforcement (weeds, abandoned buildings, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5
Affordable high-speed internet access	1	2	3	4	5
Garbage collection		2	3	4	5
Drinking water	1	2	3	4	5
Sewer services		2	3	4	5
Storm water management (storm drainage, dams, levees, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5
Power (electric and/or gas) utility		2	3	4	5
Utility billing		2	3	4	5
Police/Sheriff services		2	3	4	5
Crime prevention		2	3	4	5
Animal control		2	3	4	5
Ambulance or emergency medical services		2	3	4	5
Fire services		2	3	4	5
Fire prevention and education		2	3	4	5
Emergency preparedness (services that prepare the community					
for natural disasters or other emergency situations)	1	2	3	4	5
Preservation of natural areas (open space, farmlands, and greenbel	ts)1	2	3	4	5
Kingsport open space	-	2	3	4	5
Recycling		2	3	4	5
Yard waste pick-up		2	3	4	5
City parks		2	3	4	5
Recreation programs or classes		2	3	4	5
Recreation centers or facilities		2	3	4	5
Health services		2	3	4	5
Public library services		2	3	4	5
Overall customer service by Kingsport employees	_				
(police, receptionists, planners, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5

# 10. Please rate the following categories of Kingsport government performance.

Exce	ellent Go	<u>ood</u> <u>Fa</u>	ir Poo	Don't know
The value of services for the taxes paid to Kingsport	1	2 3	4	5
The overall direction that Kingsport is taking	1	2 3	4	5
The job Kingsport government does at welcoming resident				
involvement	1	2 3	4	5
Overall confidence in Kingsport government	1	2 3	4	5
Generally acting in the best interest of the community	1	2 3	4	5
Being honest	1	2 3	4	5
Being open and transparent to the public	1	2 3	4	5
Informing residents about issues facing the community	1	2 3	4	5
Treating all residents fairly	1	2 3	4	5
Treating residents with respect	1	2 3	4	5

11. Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provi	ded by each o Excellent	f the foll Good	owing <u>Fair</u>		Don't know
The City of Kingsport		<u>4004</u> 2	3	4	5
The Federal Government		2	3	4	5
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12. Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the Kin	igsport comm	unity to	focus c	on each of	the
following in the coming two years.		Vei	a	Comorubat	Not at all
	Essenti	ver <u>al impor</u>	tant	Somewhat <u>important</u>	important
Overall economic health of Kingsport		2		3	4
Overall quality of the transportation system (auto, bicycle, foot, b					
in Kingsport		2		3	4
Overall design or layout of Kingsport's residential and commercia					
areas (e.g., homes, buildings, streets, parks, etc.)		2		3	4
Overall quality of the utility infrastructure in Kingsport					
(water, sewer, storm water, electric, gas)	1	2		3	4
Overall feeling of safety in Kingsport		2		3	4
Overall quality of natural environment in Kingsport		2		3	4
Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities		2		3	4
Overall health and wellness opportunities in Kingsport		2		3	4
Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts		2		3	4
Residents' connection and engagement with their community		2		3	4
Residents connection and engagement with their community	1			3	4
13. Please rate the level of importance for the City of Kingsport F	Fire Denartme	nt to nr	ovide d	each of th	e following
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emergency medical response servicesi		Vei	ry :	Somewhat	Not at all
	<u>Essenti</u>	<u>al</u> impor	tant	<u>important</u>	<u>important</u>
Providing urgent treatment to cardiac emergencies such as cardia		0		2	4
stroke, etc. (i.e., Advanced Life Support)	1	2		3	4
Providing a wide range of medical treatments including fracture immobilization, cervical spine stabilization, monitoring vital significant stabilization.	am a				
etc. (i.e., Intermediate Life Support)		2		3	4
Providing basic services including CPR, basic first aid, etc.	1			3	7
(i.e., Basic Life Saving)	1	2		3	4
					_
14. Please rate the quality of each of the following types of comn	nunication yo	u receive	e from	the City o	of
Kingsport Police Department.				_	
	<u>Excellent</u>	Good	<u>Fair</u>	·	Don't know
Crisis communications		2	3	4	5
Emergency notifications		2	3	4	5
Department transparency		2 2	3	4	5 5
General Department updates/activity			3	4	3
15. How would you rate the quality of information provided by $\epsilon$	each of the fol	lowing?			
	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>		Don't know
City of Kingsport website (www.kingsporttn.gov)		2	3	4	5
Local television stations		2	3	4	5
Local newspapers		2	3	4	5
Government access channel (Channel 192)		2	3	4	5
Board of Mayor and Aldermen Highlights newsletters		2	3	4	5
City of Kingsport social media channels		2	3	4	5
Word-of-mouthBoard of Mayor and Aldermen meetings		2 2	3	4	5 5
Utility/Water bill messaging		2	3	4	5 5
City of Kingsport communications via social media		2	3	4	5
Grey of Milgsport communications via social media	I		3	7	3

Our last questions are about you and your household.

Again, all of your responses to this survey are confidential and no identifying information will be shared.

D1. In general, how many times do you:
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O No

O Yes

in general, now many amos do you.	Several <u>times a day</u>	Once <u>a day</u>	A few times <u>a week</u>	Every <u>few weeks</u>	Less often or never	Don't <u>know</u>
Access the internet from your home using						
a computer, laptop, or tablet computer	1	2	3	4	5	6
Access the internet from your cell phone	1	2	3	4	5	6
Visit social media sites such as Facebook,						
Twitter, Nextdoor, etc	1	2	3	4	5	6
Use or check email	1	2	3	4	5	6
Share your opinions online	1	2	3	4	5	6
Shop online	1	2	3	4	5	6

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•	Visit social media si	tes such as Faceb	ook,					
	Twitter, Nextdoor	, etc	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Use or check email			2	3	4	5	6
	Share your opinions	online	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Shop online		1	2	3	4	5	6
D2.	Please rate your o	verall health.						
	-	O Very good	<b>○</b> Good	O Fair	O Poor			
D3.	What impact, if ar Do you think the i	mpact will be:	-					
	O Very positive	O Somewha	t positive O N	leutral	O Somewhat no	egative (	O Very negati	ive
<ul> <li>D4. How many years have you lived in Kingsport?</li> <li>○ Less than 2 years</li> <li>○ 2-5 years</li> <li>○ 6-10 years</li> <li>○ 11-20 years</li> <li>○ More than 20 years</li> </ul>					How much do yo total income bef year? (Please in money from all s your household. O Less than \$25,	Fore taxes wi clude in your sources for a ) 000 • \$7	Il be for the or total incoming the light of	current ie ving in
D5.	O5. Which best describes the building you live in?  O One family house detached from any other houses  Building with two or more homes (duplex, townhome, apartment, or condominium)  Mobile home O Other				O \$25,000 to \$49 O \$50,000 to \$74 Are you Spanish O No, not Spanish O Yes, I consider Latino	4,999 <b>\$</b> 1 <b>4, Hispanic on</b> <b>h</b> , Hispanic, o	r Latino	ore
D6.	D6. Do you rent or own your home?  O Rent O Own				What is your racindicate what ra  American India	i <b>ce you consi</b> an or Alaskan	<b>der yourself</b> Native	
D7. About how much is your monthly housing cost for the place you live (including rent, mortgage payment, property tax, property insurance, and homeowners' association (HOA) fees)?					☐ Asian, Asian In☐ Black or Africa☐ White☐ Other		ic Islander	
D8.	<ul> <li>Less than \$500</li> <li>\$500 to \$999</li> <li>\$1,000 to \$1,499</li> <li>\$1,500 to \$1,999</li> <li>Do any children 1</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>\$2,000</li> <li>\$2,500</li> <li>\$3,000</li> <li>\$3,500</li> </ul>	to \$2,499 to \$2,999 to \$3,499 or more	D13.	In which categor O 18-24 years O 25-34 years O 35-44 years O 45-54 years	○ 55 ○ 65	e? -64 years -74 years years or olde	er
D9.	household? O No O Yes  Are you or any other	her memhers of	vour	D14.	What is your gen O Female O Male	nder?		
	household aged 6		<i>y</i>		O Identify in ano	ther way		

Thank you! Please return the completed survey in the postage-paid envelope to: National Research Center, Inc., PO Box 549, Belle Mead, NJ 08502