

**Attachment D  
Lincoln County Futures Survey Results**

Lincoln County is in the process of creating a community development plan. The purpose is to guide community investments and actions to build a better tomorrow for Lincoln County residents. Your responses to this survey will provide direction for the plan and in this way, you will be part of building new opportunities and a better quality of life for your children and grandchildren.

**How satisfied are you with the following aspects of life in Lincoln County? Are you: very dissatisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, somewhat satisfied or very satisfied? Please circle your answer.**

<b>Aspects of life in Lincoln County</b>	<b>Very Dis-satisfied 1</b>	<b>Somewhat Dis-satisfied 2</b>	<b>Somewhat Satisfied 3</b>	<b>Very Satisfied 4</b>	<b>Mean</b>
Lincoln County as a place to live	3.8% 8	9.4% 20	57.5% 122	29.2% 62	3.1
Fire protection	2.8% 6	10.8% 23	55.7% 118	30.7% 65	3.1
Law enforcement	6.6% 14	12.2% 26	52.1% 111	29.1% 62	3.0
Emergency medical services	4.3% 9	15.2% 32	50.5% 106	30.0% 63	3.0
Lincoln County as a place to raise children	4.3% 9	14.2% 30	52.6% 111	28.9% 61	3.0
Lincoln County as a place to retire	6.3% 13	4.9% 31	54.3% 113	24.5% 51	2.9
Recycling locations	8.5% 18	24.1% 51	40.1% 85	27.4% 58	2.8
Information available to residents about important county services, project, issues or programs	9.9% 21	24.5% 52	50.9% 108	14.6% 31	2.7
Animal control	9.0% 19	21.0% 44	54.3% 114	15.7% 33	2.7
Environmental protection efforts (e.g., open space preservation, water conservation)	7.2% 15	26.3% 55	50.7% 106	15.8% 33	2.7
Access to Internet service where you live	22.6% 48	17.5% 37	32.5% 69	27.4% 58	2.6

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Lincoln County as a place to work	17.5% 36	25.7% 53	35.9% 74	20.9% 43	2.6
Lincoln County as a place to play	11.5% 24	34.9% 73	35.9% 75	17.7% 37	2.6
Lincoln County as a place to visit	10.7% 22	28.6% 59	41.3% 85	19.4% 40	2.6
Lincoln County is a community that is moving in the right direction	10.6% 22	26.6% 55	48.8% 101	14.0% 29	2.6
Access to safe biking trails	29.5% 61	35.7% 74	29.0% 60	5.8% 12	2.5
Opportunities for residents to participate in the decision-making process	10.5% 22	34.0% 71	47.8% 100	7.7% 16	2.5
Cost of Internet access	26.1% 55	30.3% 64	30.3% 64	13.3% 28	2.3
Speed of Internet access you receive	25.2% 54	27.6% 57	33.8% 69	13.3% 27	2.3
Your choices in shopping for food	21.1% 45	35.7% 76	32.4% 69	10.8% 23	2.3
Access to fresh foods	11.2% 24	33.2% 71	42.5% 91	13.1% 28	2.3
Access to public transportation	38.3% 79	30.1% 62	25.2% 52	6.3% 13	2.2
Access to safe walking trails	25.7% 46	34.1% 61	32.4% 58	7.8% 14	2.1

**How proud are you to say that you are from Lincoln County? (please circle your answer)**

10.0%      18      Very proud  
58.0%      102      Somewhat proud  
32.0%      57      Not very proud at all

<b>In which of these locations do you buy the majority of the following goods and services?</b>	<b>In Lincoln County 1</b>	<b>In Richmond 2</b>	<b>In Danville 3</b>	<b>In Somerset 4</b>	<b>In Lexington 5</b>	<b>On-Line 6</b>	<b>Mean</b>
Gasoline	73.8% 158	0% 0	18.7% 40	6.5% 14	0.9% 2	0% 0	1.61
Prescriptions	73.3% 154	0.0% 0	21.0% 44	4.8% 10	0.0% 0	1.0% 2	1.61
Groceries	48.6% 103	5.0% 1	41.5% 88	9.4% 2	0.0% 0	0.0% 0	2.12
Doctors	46.7% 99	0.0% 0	40.1% 85	5.7% 12	7.5% 16	0.0% 0	2.27
Dental	38.8% 81	1.0% 2	40.2% 84	14.4% 30	4.8% 10	1.0% 2	2.48
Hardware/building supplies	24.3% 52	0.5% 1	59.3% 127	15.4% 33	0.5% 1	0.0% 0	2.67
Hospital	34.4% 72	0.0% 0	42.1% 88	5.7% 12	17.7% 37	0.0% 0	2.72
Meals (dining out)	21.1% 44	2.9% 6	53.1% 111	15.3% 32	7.7% 16	0.0% 0	2.86
Farm machinery	25.0% 41	1.2% 2	42.1% 69	23.8% 39	3.7% 6	4.3% 7	2.93
Arts, crafts, sewing supplies, fabrics	18.6% 38	4.9% 10	21.1% 43	23.5% 48	28.9% 59	2.0% 6	3.48
Furniture and household appliances	5.4% 11	2.9% 6	42.4% 87	21.0% 43	26.3% 54	2.0% 4	3.66
Sporting goods	10.6% 21	1.0% 2	25.8% 51	18.7% 37	35.9 71	8.1% 16	3.92
Clothing.	7.1% 15	3.3% 7	32.1% 68	12.7% 27	36.8% 78	8.0% 17	3.93
Books, cds, electronics	18.3% 38	2.4% 5	18.8% 39	14.4% 30	20.2% 42	26.0% 54	3.94
Jewelry	7.5% 15	1.5% 3	27.6% 55	16.1% 32	37.7% 75	9.5% 19	4.04

<b>Lincoln County is working hard to create more vibrant downtowns. For each of the following amenities or activities, please tell us whether you would come downtown to shop or for this opportunity?</b>	<b>Not likely at all 1</b>	<b>Some-what likely 2</b>	<b>Very likely 3</b>	<b>Mean</b>
Franchise sit-down restaurant (e.g., Chilis, TGI Fridays)	4.2% 9	15.3% 33	80.6% 174	2.76
Grocery store	4.2% 9	21.3% 46	74.5% 161	2.70
Cafes and locally-owned restaurants	4.6% 10	25.9% 56	69.4% 150	2.65
Clothing stores	5.5% 12	27.2% 59	67.3% 146	2.62
Movie theater	7.9% 17	24.2% 52	67.9% 146	2.60
Household goods stores	6.6% 14	33.3% 71	60.1% 128	2.54
Concerts, dances	21.5% 45	35.9% 75	42.6% 89	2.21
Coffee shop	29.1% 62	28.6% 61	42.3% 90	2.13
Dry cleaners	35.2% 75	23.5% 50	41.3% 88	2.06
Farm machinery store	45.5% 91	27.7% 56	27.2% 55	1.82

**Other comments**

- Nutrition center
- More places for shopping (5)
- Skateboard park (2)
- Gym with inside walking track
- Swimming pool for water aerobics
- Place for children
- Bowling alley (2)
- A place for fun for families
- Bookstore
- Fun activities, events, festivals
- Family oriented community activities

Sporting goods store  
Discount outlet  
Home improvement store  
Stores open 7 days a week  
Chuck E Cheese  
Sports facilities (batting cages)

<b>To what extent are any of the following a problem where you live or, for Lincoln County?</b>	<b>Not at all 1</b>	<b>Somewhat 2</b>	<b>Very much 3</b>	<b>Mean</b>
Drug use	15.1% 32	33.0% 70	51.9% 110	2.37
Availability of jobs	14.1% 30	34.7% 74	51.2% 109	2.37
Retention of existing jobs	16.1% 33	54.6% 112	29.3% 60	2.13
Support for local businesses	13.7% 29	63.7% 135	22.6% 48	2.09
Lack of pride in the community	19.2% 41	59.3% 127	21.5% 46	2.02
Condition of houses	22.1% 47	58.7% 125	19.2% 41	1.97
Vacant lots or foreclosed houses	32.7% 69	50.7% 107	16.6% 35	1.84
Crime	30.2% 64	55.7% 118	14.2% 30	1.84
Vandalism	41.0% 87	47.2% 100	11.8% 25	1.71
Homelessness	56.2% 118	40.0% 84	3.8% 8	1.48

<b>How important is each of the following factors in your decision to purchase food?</b>	<b>Not at all Important 1</b>	<b>Somewhat Important 2</b>	<b>Very Important 3</b>	<b>Mean</b>
Freshness	0.5% 1	14.0% 30	85.5% 183	2.85
Cost	0.9% 2	27.1% 58	72.0% 154	2.71
Nutritious or healthy	1.4% 3	33.2% 70	65.4% 138	2.64
Convenience	2.8% 6	34.9% 74	62.3% 132	2.59
Locally produced or grown	9.9% 21	50.7% 108	39.4% 84	2.30
Organic	46.2% 97	41.4% 87	12.4% 26	1.66

<b>Please tell us how much you disagree or agree with each of the following statements.</b>	<b>Strongly disagree 1</b>	<b>Disagree 2</b>	<b>Agree 3</b>	<b>Strongly agree 4</b>	<b>Mean</b>
Locally grown food is healthier than food shipped in from elsewhere.	0.9% 2	4.2% 9	43.3% 93	51.6% 111	3.46
Given the choice, I would prefer to buy locally grown food.	1.4% 3	3.2% 7	51.9% 112	43.5% 94	3.38
It is easy to find locally grown produce in this area during the growing season.	3.7% 8	10.6% 23	63.4% 137	22.2% 48	3.04
I regularly buy locally grown food.	3.7% 8	25.2% 54	57.0% 122	14.0% 30	2.81
My home garden is an important source of food for my family.	17.9% 38	26.4% 56	32.5% 69	23.1% 49	2.61
Given the choice, I would prefer to buy organically grown food.	15.6% 33	35.4% 75	33.0% 70	16.0% 34	2.50

It is easy to find organically grown food in this area	21.0% 43	55.1% 114	20.5% 42	3.4% 7	2.06
I regularly buy organically grown food.	29.2% 61	47.8% 100	22.0% 46	1.0% 2	1.95

**In the following list, what do you think are the three most important factors for a “healthy community?” In other words, what factors most improve the quality of life in a community? PLEASE, Check only three.**

55%	119	Good jobs and healthy economy
48%	104	Good place to raise children
47%	102	Good schools
43%	93	Low crime / safe neighborhoods
34%	74	Religious or spiritual values
23%	40	Strong family life
15%	33	Healthy behaviors and lifestyles
15%	33	Access to health care (e.g., family doctor)
11%	25	Arts and cultural events
8%	18	Parks and recreation
8%	17	Affordable housing
2%	4	Excellent race relations
2%	5	Low level of child abuse
1%	2	Low adult death and disease rates
1%	2	Low infant deaths
1%	3	Clean environment

**In the following list, what do you think are the three most important “health problems” in our community? In other words, which of these problems have the greatest impact on overall community health? Check only three.**

71%	155	Drug addiction
36%	78	Obesity
32%	70	Child abuse / neglect
29%	64	Cancers
20%	44	Alcohol abuse
16%	34	Mental health problems (e.g., depression)
14%	31	Heart disease and stroke
14%	31	Teenage pregnancy
12%	27	Diabetes
11%	23	Domestic/Interpersonal Violence
11%	23	Bullying
11%	23	High blood pressure
8%	17	Dental problems
6%	14	Aging problems (e.g., arthritis, hearing loss)
4%	8	Respiratory / lung disease
4%	8	Suicide
2%	5	Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs)
2%	4	Infectious Diseases (e.g., hepatitis, TB)
1%	3	Rape / sexual assault

In the following list, what do you think are the three most important “risky behaviors” in our community? In other words, which of these behaviors have the greatest impact on overall community health? Check only three.

74%	161	Drug abuse
44%	99	Alcohol abuse
34%	74	Tobacco use
32%	70	Being overweight
26%	57	Lack of exercise
23%	50	Unsafe sex
23%	50	Poor eating habits
21%	45	Distracted driving
13%	28	Not using seat belts / child safety seats
11%	24	Not using birth control
3%	7	Not getting “shots” to prevent disease

**How would rate our community as a “Healthy Community?”**

7%	16	Very unhealthy
67%	143	Unhealthy
25%	54	Healthy
1%	2	Very healthy

**How would rate your own personal health?**

2%	4	Very unhealthy
26%	55	Unhealthy
66%	141	Healthy
7%	15	Very healthy

<b>Please indicate how much you would use the following new media sources if Lincoln County local governments used them to communicate with residents</b>	<b>Never 1</b>	<b>Some- times 2</b>	<b>Fre- quently 3</b>	<b>Median</b>
Facebook	19.4% 42	23.6% 51	56.9% 123	2.38
Automatic call system	21.1% 45	37.1% 79	41.8% 89	2.21
Web page	21.3% 45	45.5% 96	33.2% 70	2.12
Email listserv	44.3% 94	25.5% 54	30.2% 64	1.86
Google Plus	62.3% 132	24.5% 52	13.2% 28	1.51



Instagram	66.5% 141	18.4% 39	15.1% 32	1.49
Twitter	74.4% 157	16.1% 34	9.5% 20	1.35
Linked In	77.6% 163	15.2% 32	7.1% 15	1.30

**Which of the following best describes how you receive telephone calls at home?**

62%	132	Cell phone service only
34%	72	I have a combination of 2 or more of these types of service
2%	5	I have all three types of service in my home
1%	3	Traditional land line service only
0.0%	0	Voice over internet service only

<b>Would you be interested in participating in the following types of training and educational programs?</b>	<b>Yes 1</b>	<b>No 2</b>	<b>Possibly 3</b>	<b>Mean</b>
Nutrition and health	28.6% 61	30.5% 65	40.8% 87	1.98
Money management	27.1% 58	36.0% 77	36.9% 79	1.91
Food preparation	23.6% 50	35.8% 76	40.6% 86	1.88
Starting your own business	25.2% 52	42.7% 88	32.0% 66	1.83
Parenting	15.2% 32	52.6% 111	32.2% 68	1.63
Literacy	12.2% 26	54.5% 116	33.3% 71	1.58

**Approximately how many hours per month do you volunteer your time to community service? (e.g., schools, voluntary organizations, churches, hospitals, etc.)**

23%	50	None
33%	71	1 - 5 hours
22%	46	6 - 10 hours
22%	46	Over 10 hours

**Finally please provide the following information so we can assess how different groups within our community think about these issues.**

**Which public elementary school do you live nearest to?**

38%	82	Stanford Elementary
19%	42	Waynesburg Elementary
19%	41	Highland Elementary
10%	22	Crab Orchard Elementary
7%	16	Hustonville Elementary
6%	14	McKinney Elementary

**How long have you been a resident of Lincoln County? ( )**

1%	2	Less than 1 year
7%	15	1-5 years
10%	22	6-10 years
81%	171	More than 10 years

**Are you:**

21%	45	Male
79%	171	Female

**Are there children of school age, that is, under the age of 18, living in your household?**

62%	134	Yes
38%	81	No

**Place a check by the ethnic group you most identify with. (circle your answer)**

96%	208	White / Caucasian
2%	5	African American / Black
1%	3	Other

**What is the last year of school that you completed?**

0.0%	0	Less than 9th grade
3%	7	9th through 12th grade, but no high school diploma
21%	45	High School diploma or GED
25%	54	Some college, no degree
10%	21	Associates degree
13%	29	Bachelor's degree
28%	62	Graduate or professional degree

**How would you describe your current employment status? \**

12%	26	Homemaker
2%	4	Student
3%	6	Disabled
8%	16	Retired
4%	8	Unemployed
71%	150	Permanently employed or self employed

**[IF permanently employed] How many hours of paid employment do you work a week?**

5%	8	Under 20 hours per week
49%	78	21 to 40 hours per week
46%	73	41 or more hours per week

**Which category best represents your household income in 2013? (circle your answer)**

6%	12	Less than \$10,000
9%	18	\$10,000 to \$19,999
27%	55	\$20,000 to \$49,999
23%	47	\$50,000 to \$74,999
20%	40	\$75,000 to \$99,999
9%	19	\$100,000 to \$149,999
5%	11	\$150,000 or more

**Do you own the home where you live or do you rent?**

82%	178	Own
13%	28	Rent
5%	10	Other

**Are you a farmer?**

38%	81	No
62%	134	Yes

**IF YES, About how many acres do you operate, including grassland and cropland?**

15%	6	1 to 9 acres
27%	11	10 to 49 acres
34%	14	50 to 179 acres
24%	10	180 acres or more