

Atlantic County Food Security Poll
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Stockton Polling Institute
Weighted Frequencies

| Q1. Which one of the following best describes the main type of business from which food is bought for your household: | | | | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | A supermarket | 682 | 84.2 | 84.2 | 84.2 |
| | A small grocery store or bodega | 87 | 10.7 | 10.7 | 94.9 |
| | A convenience store like 7-11 or Wawa | 8 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 95.9 |
| | A fast food restaurant | 2 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 96.2 |
| | A farmers' or produce market | 19 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 98.5 |
| | A pantry or soup kitchen | 2 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 98.8 |
| | Some other business | 8 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 99.8 |
| | Not sure/Don't know | 1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 99.9 |
| | Refuse | 1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

| Q2. How far away are you from a supermarket or grocery store: | | | | | |
|--|---------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | Less than one mile | 205 | 25.3 | 25.3 | 25.3 |
| | One to five miles | 466 | 57.5 | 57.5 | 82.8 |
| | Six-10 miles | 118 | 14.6 | 14.6 | 97.4 |
| | More than 10 miles | 21 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 99.9 |
| | Not sure/Don't know | 1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

| Q3. How convenient or inconvenient is it for your household to get to a supermarket or grocery store: | | | | | |
|--|-----------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | Very convenient | 582 | 71.9 | 71.9 | 71.9 |
| | Somewhat convenient | 176 | 21.8 | 21.8 | 93.7 |
| | Somewhat inconvenient | 32 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 97.7 |
| | Very inconvenient | 17 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 99.7 |
| | Not sure/Don't know | 2 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

| Q4. Please tell me in your own words all the reasons why it is inconvenient for your household to get to a supermarket or convenient store. (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY.) | | | | |
|--|---|-----------|---------|-------------------------------|
| | | Responses | | Percent of Respondents (n=51) |
| | | Frequency | Percent | |
| Valid | Don't own a car | 26 | 27.7 | 51.0 |
| | Lack of public transportation | 9 | 9.6 | 17.6 |
| | No transit routes to grocery | 6 | 6.4 | 11.8 |
| | Cannot afford taxi/uber | 4 | 4.2 | 7.8 |
| | Grocery is too far away | 13 | 13.8 | 25.5 |
| | Takes too long to get to grocery and back | 13 | 13.8 | 25.5 |
| | Work when grocery is open | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| | Grocery is in a dangerous area | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| | No child care | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| | Health/Disability issues | 12 | 12.8 | 23.5 |
| | Other | 9 | 9.6 | 17.6 |
| | Not sure/Don't know | 2 | 2.1 | 3.9 |
| | Refuse | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Total | | 94 | 100.0 | 184.2 |

Q5. How far away are you from a supermarket or grocery store that has fresh fruits and vegetables:

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|-------|---------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | Less than one mile | 219 | 27.0 | 27.0 | 27.0 |
| | One to five miles | 467 | 57.6 | 57.6 | 84.7 |
| | Six-10 miles | 102 | 12.6 | 12.6 | 97.3 |
| | More than 10 miles | 20 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 99.8 |
| | Not sure/Don't know | 2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

Q6. At the business where your household mainly buys food, which one of the following best describes the availability of healthy food options:

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|-------|---|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | There are a lot of healthy food options | 499 | 61.6 | 61.6 | 61.6 |
| | There are enough healthy options | 241 | 29.8 | 29.8 | 91.4 |
| | There are only a few healthy options | 59 | 7.2 | 7.2 | 98.7 |
| | There are no healthy food options | 7 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 99.5 |
| | Not sure/Don't know | 4 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

Q7. How many times during a typical week do you eat a meal of fast food:

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|-------|--------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | Never | 261 | 32.2 | 32.2 | 32.2 |
| | Once | 351 | 43.4 | 43.4 | 75.5 |
| | Two to five times | 184 | 22.7 | 22.7 | 98.2 |
| | Six to 10 times | 12 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 99.7 |
| | More than 10 times | 3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

Q8-Q14. During the past 12 months have you:

| Q8. Worried that food will run out before you can afford to buy more: | | | | | |
|--|---------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | Often | 43 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 |
| | Sometimes | 97 | 12.0 | 12.0 | 17.3 |
| | Never | 669 | 82.6 | 82.6 | 99.9 |
| | Not sure/Don't know | 1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

| Q9. Run out of food and didn't have the money to buy more right away | | | | | |
|---|-----------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | Often | 36 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.4 |
| | Sometimes | 111 | 13.7 | 13.7 | 18.1 |
| | Never | 662 | 81.8 | 81.8 | 99.9 |
| | Refuse | 1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

| Q10. Wished you could eat more fruits and vegetables but could not get them at the store | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | Often | 58 | 7.2 | 7.2 | 7.2 |
| | Sometimes | 113 | 13.9 | 13.9 | 21.1 |
| | Never | 637 | 78.7 | 78.7 | 99.8 |
| | Not sure/Don't know | 2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

| Q11. Wished you could eat more fruits and vegetables but could not afford them | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | Often | 60 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.4 |
| | Sometimes | 96 | 11.8 | 11.8 | 19.3 |
| | Never | 651 | 80.4 | 80.4 | 99.6 |
| | Not sure/Don't know | 2 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 99.9 |
| | Refuse | 1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

| Q12. Eaten the same thing for several days in a row because that food item cost less | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | Often | 83 | 10.2 | 10.2 | 10.2 |
| | Sometimes | 200 | 24.7 | 24.7 | 34.9 |
| | Never | 526 | 65.0 | 65.0 | 99.9 |
| | Not sure/Don't know | 1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

| Q13. Wished you could eat more healthy meals but cannot afford the cost | | | | | |
|--|-----------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | Often | 89 | 11.0 | 11.0 | 11.0 |
| | Sometimes | 157 | 19.3 | 19.3 | 30.3 |
| | Never | 565 | 69.7 | 69.7 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

| Q14. Skipped a meal just because you could not afford to buy enough food | | | | | |
|---|-----------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | Often | 26 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 |
| | Sometimes | 83 | 10.3 | 10.3 | 13.5 |
| | Never | 701 | 86.5 | 86.5 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

| Q15. During the past 12 months, have you worried that your children did not get enough to eat: | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | Often | 4 | 0.5 | 1.3 | 1.3 |
| | Sometimes | 19 | 2.3 | 6.6 | 7.9 |
| | Never | 259 | 32.0 | 90.8 | 98.7 |
| | Not sure/Don't know | 3 | 0.4 | 1.0 | 99.7 |
| | Refuse | 1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 285 | 35.2 | 100.0 | |
| Missing | System | 525 | 64.8 | | |
| Total | | 810 | 100.0 | | |

| Q16. During the past 12 months, have you skipped a meal so that your children could eat: | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | Often | 9 | 1.1 | 3.2 | 3.2 |
| | Sometimes | 38 | 4.7 | 13.5 | 16.7 |
| | Never | 236 | 29.1 | 82.6 | 99.3 |
| | Not sure/Don't know | 2 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 285 | 35.2 | 100.0 | |
| Missing | System | 525 | 64.8 | | |
| Total | | 810 | 100.0 | | |

| Q17. During the past 12 months, have you gone to a food pantry or soup kitchen to get free food or a meal: | | | | | |
|---|-----------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | Often | 26 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 |
| | Sometimes | 48 | 5.9 | 5.9 | 9.2 |
| | Never | 735 | 90.7 | 90.7 | 99.9 |
| | Refuse | 1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

WEIGHTED DEMOGRAPHICS

| ADULTSCREEN. Which category describes your age: | | | | | |
|--|-------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | 18-29 | 184 | 22.7 | 22.7 | 22.7 |
| | 30-49 | 215 | 26.6 | 26.6 | 49.3 |
| | 50-64 | 241 | 29.7 | 29.7 | 79.0 |
| | 65 or older | 170 | 21.0 | 21.0 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

| CHILDREN Do any children younger than the age of 18 live in your household? | | | | | |
|--|--------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | Yes | 285 | 35.2 | 35.2 | 35.2 |
| | No | 523 | 64.5 | 64.5 | 99.8 |
| | Refuse | 2 | .2 | .2 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

| AC. Atlantic City-Ventnor or not | | | | | |
|---|----------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | AC-Ventnor | 122 | 15.0 | 15.0 | 15.0 |
| | Not AC-Ventnor | 688 | 85.0 | 85.0 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

| URBAN. Urban municipality or non-urban? | | | | | |
|--|-----------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | Urban | 204 | 25.2 | 25.2 | 25.2 |
| | Non-urban | 606 | 74.8 | 74.8 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

| D2. Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic or Latino, or not? | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | Yes | 132 | 16.3 | 16.3 | 16.3 |
| | No | 671 | 82.9 | 82.9 | 99.1 |
| | Not sure/Don't know | 4 | .5 | .5 | 99.6 |
| | Refuse | 3 | .4 | .4 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

| D3. Which of the following best describes your race? | | | | | |
|---|----------------------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | White | 519 | 64.1 | 64.1 | 64.1 |
| | Black or African American | 130 | 16.1 | 16.1 | 80.2 |
| | Asian or Pacific Islander | 42 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 85.4 |
| | Native American | 5 | .6 | .6 | 86.0 |
| | Identify with more than one race | 88 | 10.8 | 10.8 | 96.9 |
| | Not sure/Don't know | 12 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 98.3 |
| | Refuse | 14 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

| D4. Which of the following best describes your highest level of education? | | | | | |
|---|------------------------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | Did not graduate from high school | 49 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 6.0 |
| | High school or VO-tech graduate | 224 | 27.6 | 27.6 | 33.6 |
| | Some college or associate's degree | 269 | 33.3 | 33.3 | 66.9 |
| | A four-year college degree | 153 | 18.9 | 18.9 | 85.8 |
| | A graduate or professional degree | 110 | 13.6 | 13.6 | 99.4 |
| | Not sure/Don't know | 2 | .2 | .2 | 99.6 |
| | Refuse | 3 | .4 | .4 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

| D5. Which of the following general categories best represents your household income last year before taxes? | | | | | |
|--|---------------------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | Less than \$25,000 | 127 | 15.7 | 15.7 | 15.7 |
| | \$25,000 to less than \$50,000 | 160 | 19.7 | 19.7 | 35.4 |
| | \$50,000 to less than \$100,000 | 232 | 28.7 | 28.7 | 64.1 |
| | \$100,000 to \$150,000 | 121 | 14.9 | 14.9 | 79.0 |
| | More than \$150,000 | 100 | 12.4 | 12.4 | 91.3 |
| | Not sure/Don't know | 24 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 94.4 |
| | Refuse | 46 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

| D6. Are you: | | | | | |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | Male | 354 | 43.7 | 43.7 | 43.7 |
| | Female | 453 | 56.0 | 56.0 | 99.7 |
| | Non-binary/Gender Fluid/Other | 2 | .2 | .2 | 99.9 |
| | Refuse | 1 | .1 | .1 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

| PHONE. Have I reached you on a cell phone or a landline? | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | Cell phone | 737 | 90.9 | 90.9 | 90.9 |
| | Landline phone | 71 | 8.8 | 8.8 | 99.7 |
| | Not sure/Don't know | 1 | .2 | .2 | 99.9 |
| | Refuse | 1 | .1 | .1 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 810 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |