



Class of 1965 50th Reunion Survey

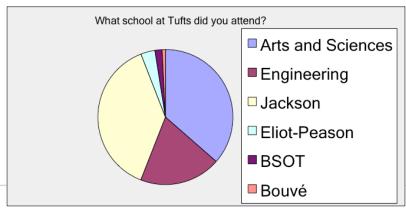


Welcome to the Class of 1965 50th Reunion Survey Results

Below is some data to put the survey in perspective

of living classmates: 625
of classmates contacted: 601
of active email addresses: 470
of respondents to survey: 118
Statistical Accuracy: +/- 9%

Color printing costs were outside our budget so we printed the results with shades of grey. When looking at the graphs, you will find some of the "shades of grey" look the same. You can differentiate each data set using the sequence of the key. For example, the right most piece of the pie below is Arts and Science. Follow clock wise for the Engineering slice, then Jackson, etc.



Thanks to all who responded. To all reading this, hope you find some confirmation of your suspicions and of course, some surprises!





Highlights of the Survey

Comparison to prior surveys	25 years ago	2005	2015
Satisfied with standard of living	88%		98.2%
Exceeded your career expectations	45%		64.2%
Very or somewhat satisfied w/ career		94.9%	92.7%
Own a second home	32.5%	41%	42.3%
Satisfactory relationship	83%	73.7%	82%
Satisfactory Sex life	79%		89.3%

- Almost everyone who responded considers themselves happy!!!!
- · Nearly everyone who is retired are enjoying it
- The men in our class are more centrist or conservative than the females who are more far left or liberal and the shift is more significant since graduation
- 25 years ago 70% of the men said they have become more conservative with age while only 37% of the women said they have become more conservative
- More women have changed their attitude towards sex than men
- Advances in technology by far had the greatest impact on our lives. Next was the women's movement and then came diversity and understanding other cultures and 9/11
- Almost 40% of our class is concerned that the US can only minimally contain terrorism
- The most favorite leisure time activities were reading, family activities, travel, and socializing with friends
- Most men and women indicated personal relationships were valued most in life followed by independence, financial security, and personal growth. Overall we have become more similar in our responses
- Respondents replied that their mental health is better than our physical health



Q1, Q4, Q5, Q6, Q7 Responses

q1: What is your Q5: Did your parent(s) gender? attend Tufts?		of the degrees you		encourage your		
Female Male	45.8% 54.2%	Yes No	9.0% 91.0%	have earned or elsewhere		grandchildren to attend Tufts?
				BA	45.9%	Yes 77.1%
		O6. Have	o any of your	BS	46.8%	No 9.2%
		children	e any of your	PhD	18.3%	N/A 13.8%
				MBA	11.0%	
	grandchildren attended Tufts?		Masters	35.8%		
		MD	6.4%			
		Grandch		DMD or DDS	2.8%	
	Neither	74.3%	JD or LLB	6.4%		

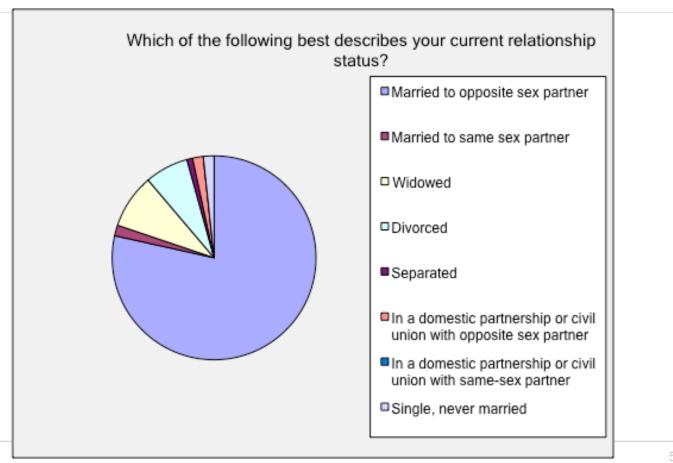
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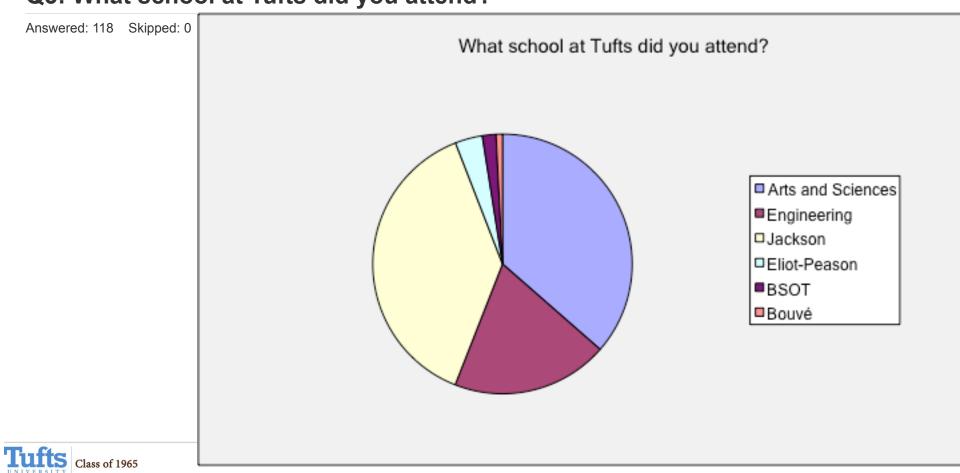
07: Would you

Q2: Which of the following best describes your current relationship status?

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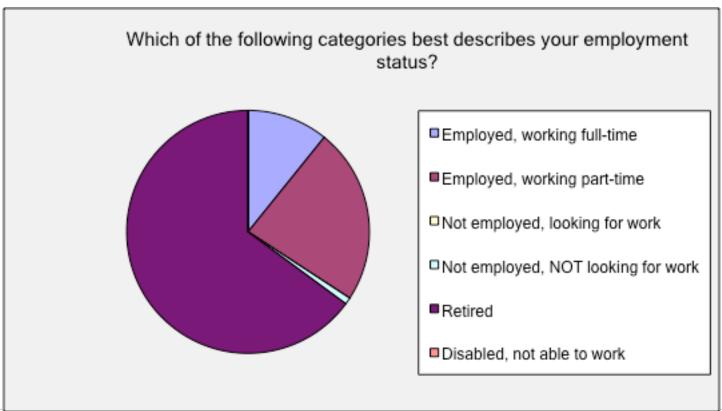


Q3: What school at Tufts did you attend?



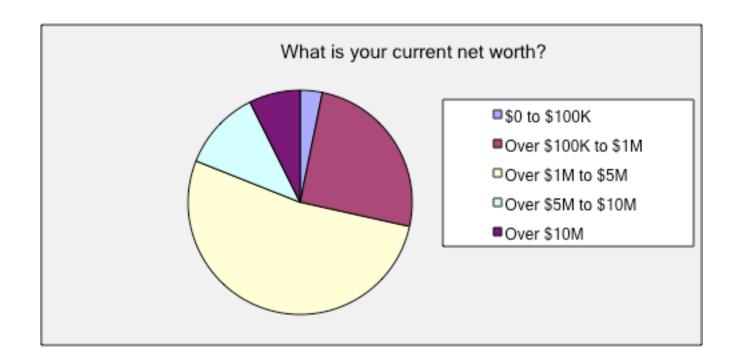
Q9: Which of the following categories best describes your employment status?

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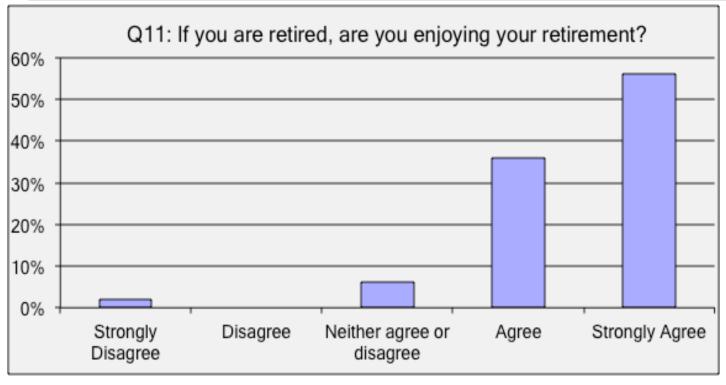
Q10: What is your current net worth?

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Q11: If you are retired, are you enjoying your retirement?



Retirement was defined by one of our classmates as not doing nothing but rather doing what you want when you want. Most people are extremely happy with that newfound freedom. We have a group of healthy classmates who are reading, exercising, enjoying friends and family.

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Q11: If you are retired, are you enjoying your retirement? Comments:

- I love having all this free time!
- Time to travel, audit courses and attend Broadway shows, go to museums and spend quality time with family and friends
- I'm still reasonably healthy
- Retired because of my husband's health.
- Recreation
- Retirement is not doing nothing. It's doing what you want when you want.
- No stress, new grandson who lives close by
- I am lucky to be financially and physically comfortable and able to pursue any interest or activity I choose for the sheer pleasure of it.
- I am not completely retired as I still have clients in my consulting business. But, I am enjoying immensely the more free time that I have as my client load has diminished by 80%.
- Freedom to do what I want to, without deadlines.
- More time for friends
- Retired after having been caught up in the funding cuts caused by the Right wing of Congress. This was not predicted.



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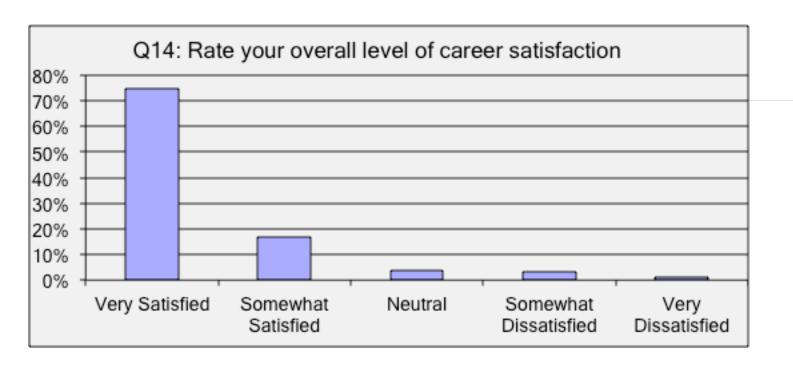
- Having a ball!
- I feel lucky to be able to do what ever my husband and I want to do.
- I get to do what I want and do not have to mingle with a-holes.
- Time to do singing, woodworking, and researching family ancestry.
- I love not having to get up at 5AM for a long commute.
- Only semi-retired
- I wish I had a little more...to "do"! Not busy enough!
- My life is full with family, friends, art classes and the wonderful New York City
- Perfect my Spanish and get to know my grandchildren better.
- Retirement is like a gift. After a lifetime of doing what needed to be done and what others expected to be done, I now have the complete pleasure and luxury of doing what I want, what is meaningful to me, what I choose to do.
- I have my own time to play with our grandchildren, do mission work and practice my craft for my purposes not an employer.



Q11: If you are retired, are you enjoying your retirement? Comments:

- Life is good
- More time for reading, travel and tennis
- Don't have the stress of working. Enjoy riding my bike, swimming, etc.
- I am interested in everything, especially things I know nothing about. I am always learning and doing new things, and almost always looking forward
- Health issues have slowed me down
- I am so busy, I don't know how I ever had time for work. I don't have to commute or work by anyone else's clock. I do a lot of stuff as a volunteer you couldn't have paid me to do. I am very happy
- Get to do the things I really want to do!
- I am financially comfortable and able to pursue any interest or activity I choose for the sheer pleasure of it.
- My husband and I are still healthy and interested in a lot of different things. How did I ever have time to work?
- My husband is not healthy but I am very healthy. Although poorly I get to play golf regularly and live in a wonderful climate.
- I am doing what I always did, but now I have more time to do it.





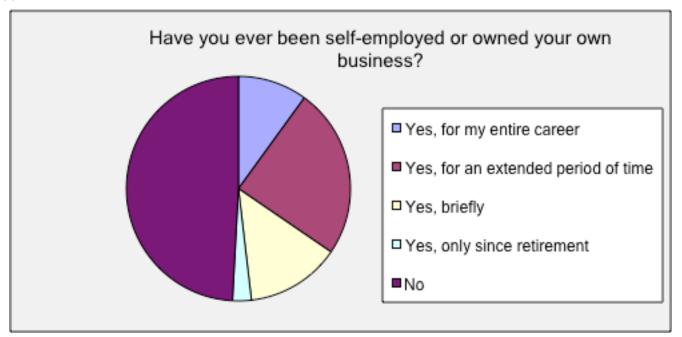
Q15: Do you feel your Tufts education prepared you for your professional life?

Yes 80.2% No 19.8%



Q16: Have you ever been self-employed or owned your own business?

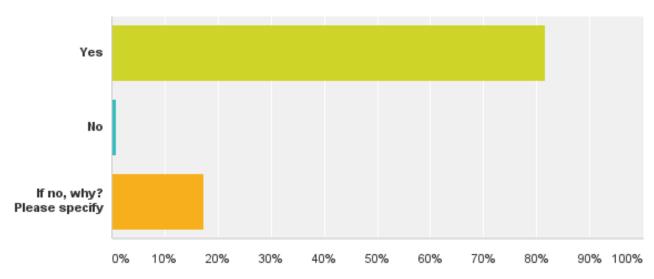
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Q17: If you had it to do over again, would you attend Tufts now?

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Why no?

- Too liberal
- Not name of Ivy League
- Old Tufts Only
- Tufts now better
- NYC School
- Too expensive
- Students higher quality than professors
- Non urban
- No Bouve

Q18, Q19, Q20, Q21, Q22 Responses

Q18: How many of our class reunions have you attended? (Class reunions are held every 5 years)

None	21.6%
At least 1	42.3%
Most	31.5%
All	4.5%

Q19: Do you plan on attending the 50th Reunion?

Yes	79.8%
No	20.2%

Q20: What is your housing status?

Own a home	95.5%
Rent a home	4.5%
Live in assisted living	0.0%
Live in a nursing home	0.0%

Q21: Do you own a second home?

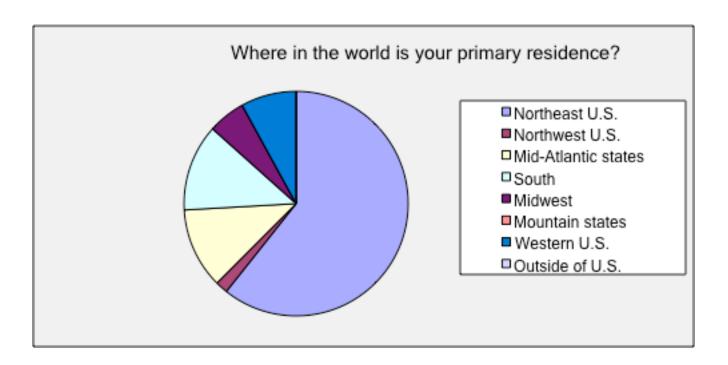
Yes 42.3% No 57.7%

Q22: Where is your primary residence located?

Large City	17.9%
Small City	15.2%
Suburbs	43.8%
Rural Area	23.2%



Q23: Where in the world is your primary residence?





Q24, Q25, Q26 Responses

Q24: How many times have you been married?

0 times	1.8%
1 time	75.7%
2 times	18.9%
3 times or more	3.6%

Q25: If married now, would you marry the same person again?

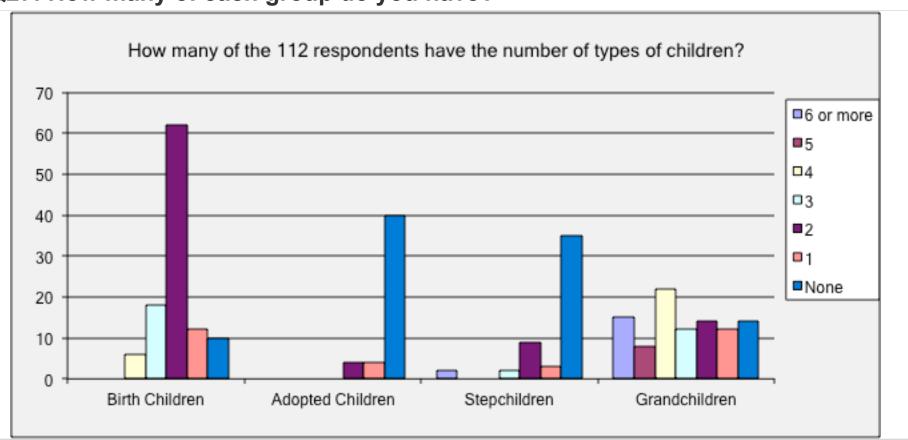
Yes 92.9% No 7.1%

Q26: Are you in a satisfactory relationship?

Yes	81.1%
No	7.5%
Sometimes	11.3%

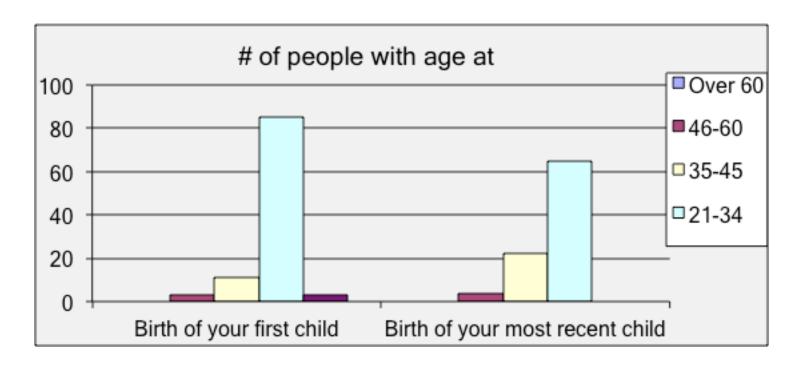
91% 25 years ago were in a satisfactory relationship

Q27: How many of each group do you have?





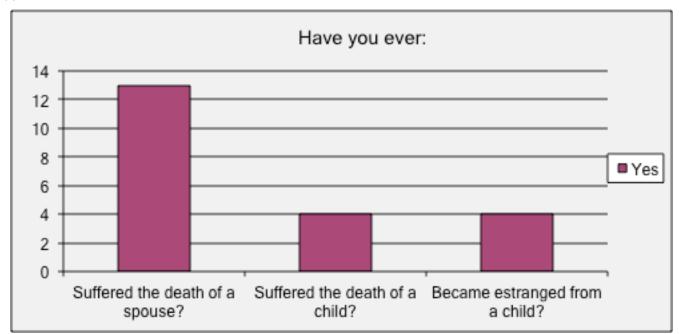
Q28: Your age at





Q29: Have you ever:

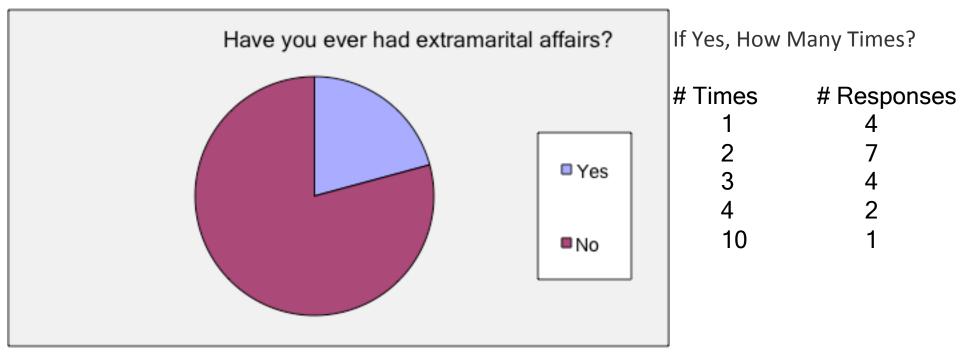
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Q30: Have you ever had extramarital affairs?

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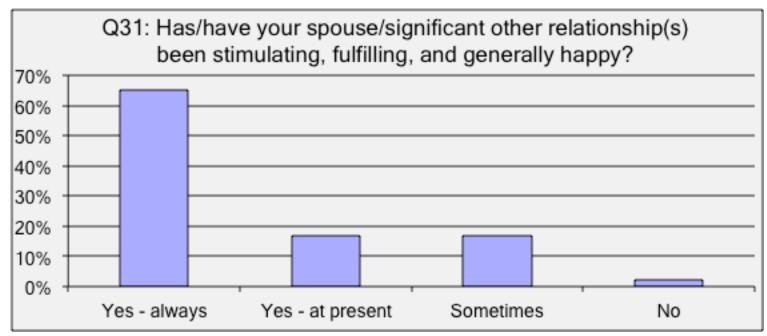


No difference between males and females



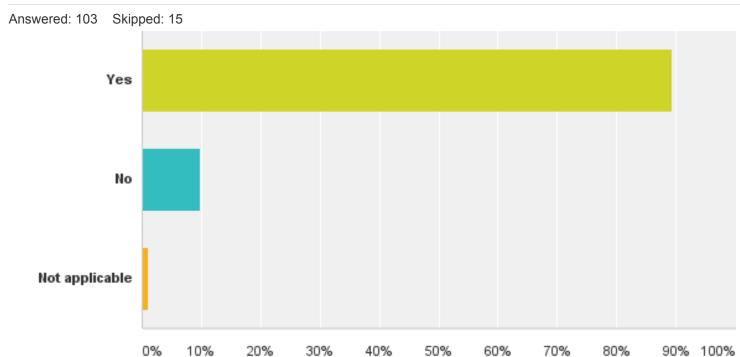
Q31: Has/have your spouse/significant other relationship(s) been stimulating, fulfilling, and generally happy?

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Q32: Have you had a satisfactory sex life?

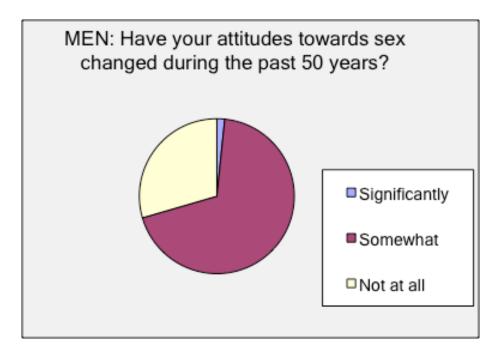


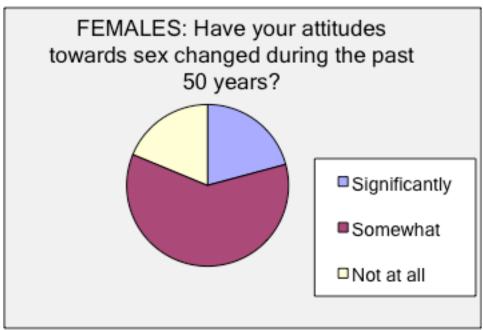
85% 25 years ago had a satisfactory sex life



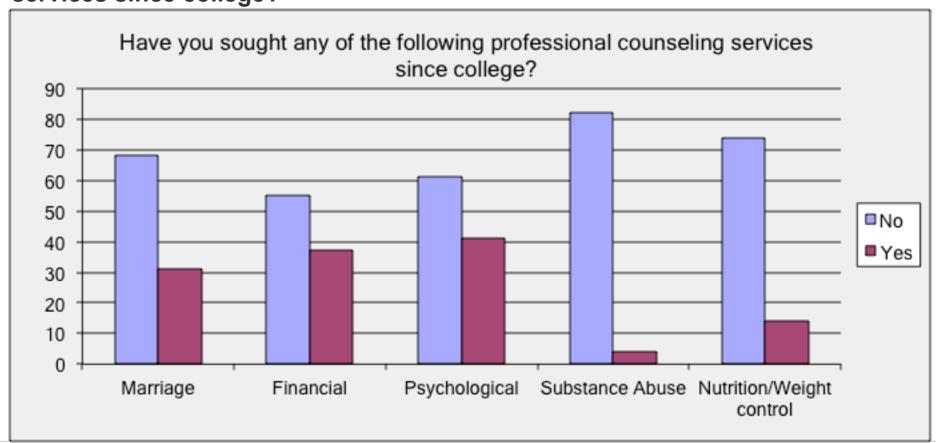
Q33: Have your attitudes towards sex changed during the past 50 years?

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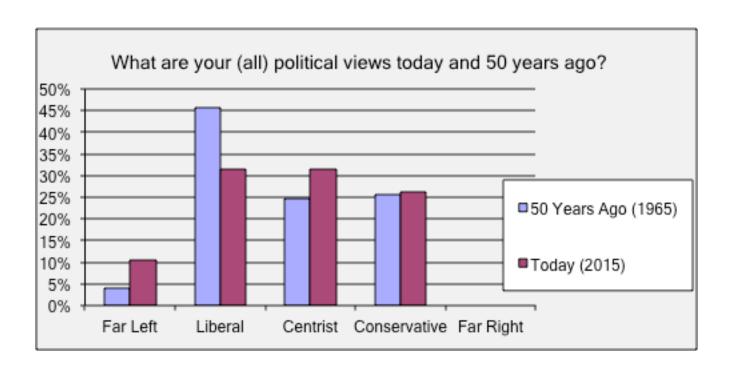




Q34: Have you sought any of the following professional counseling services since college?

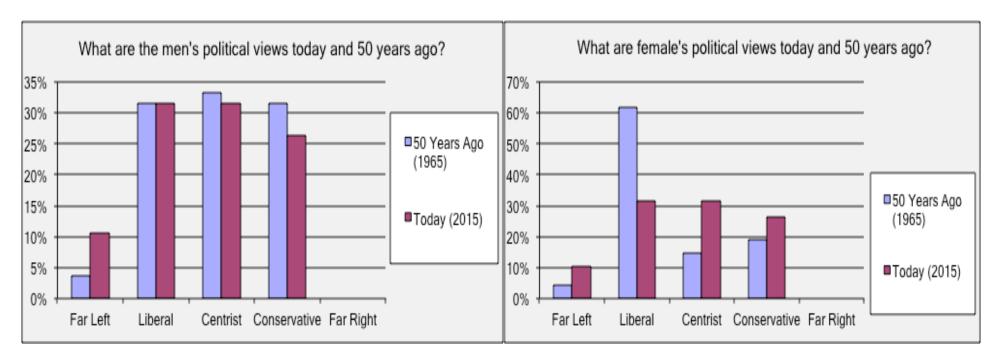


Q35: What are your political views today and 50 years ago?





Q35: Compare Men to Women

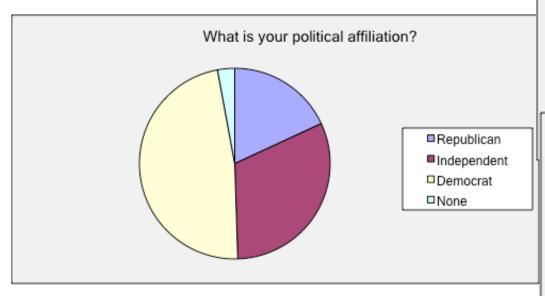


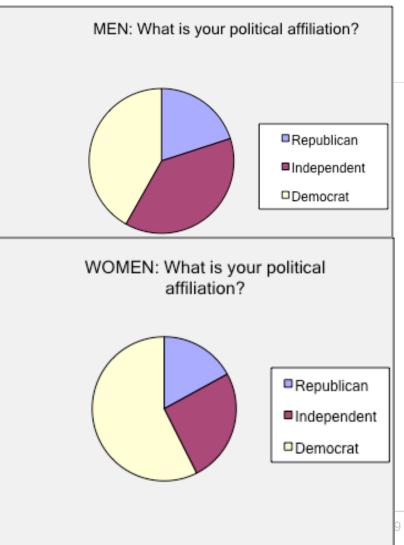
25 years ago 69% of the men versus only 37% of the women said they have become more conservative with age. Now the men have changed much less than the women



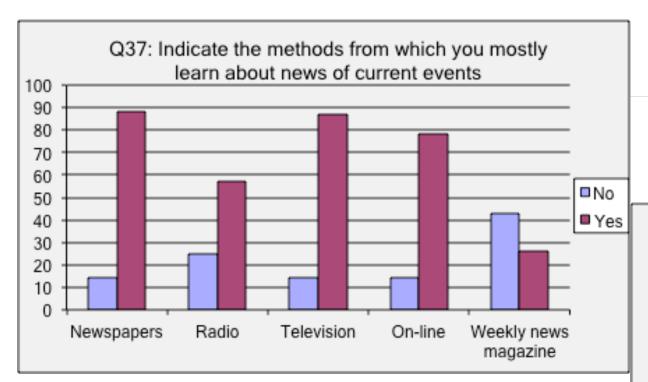
Q36: What is your political affiliation?

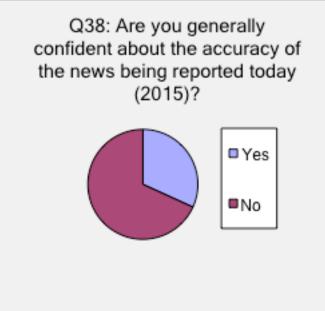
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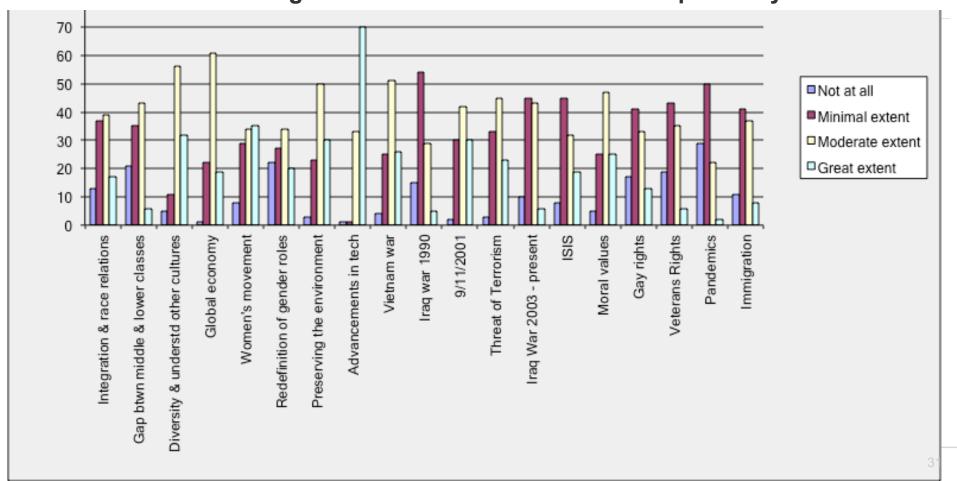








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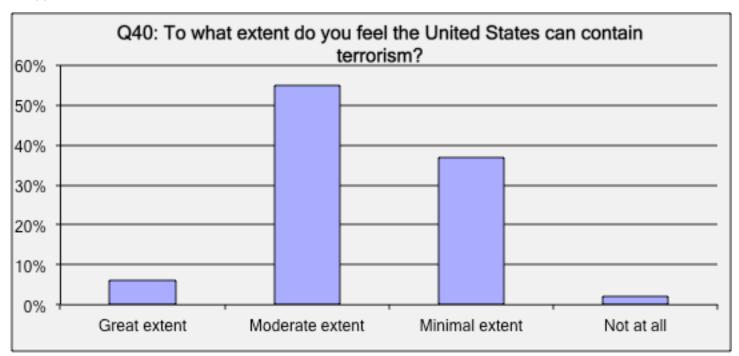
Other specified:

- Gun Safety
- The income/asset gap between the top 1% and the middle class
- Legislation to improve Disability Rights
- Mission work in 3rd world countries
- Destruction of the American Dream by Obama
- Pandemics
- I could easily have checked "Not at all" for many if I
 was thinking about whether they have affected me
 directly. Intellectually they may have affected me a
 great deal.



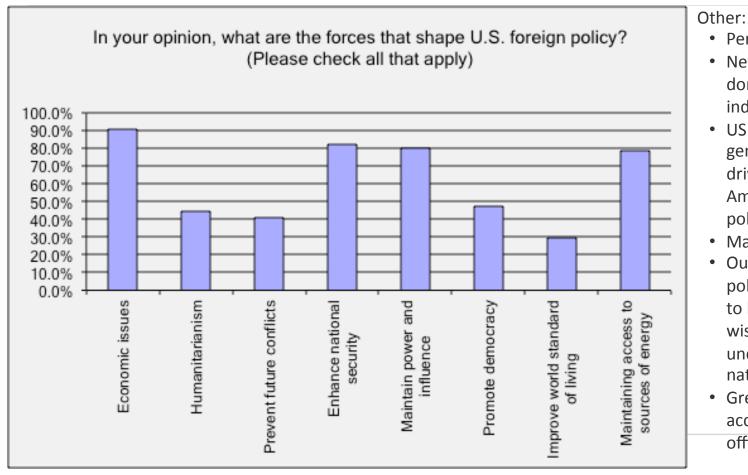
Q40: To what extent do you feel the United States can contain terrorism?

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Q41: In your opinion, what are the forces that shape U.S. foreign policy? (Please check all that apply)

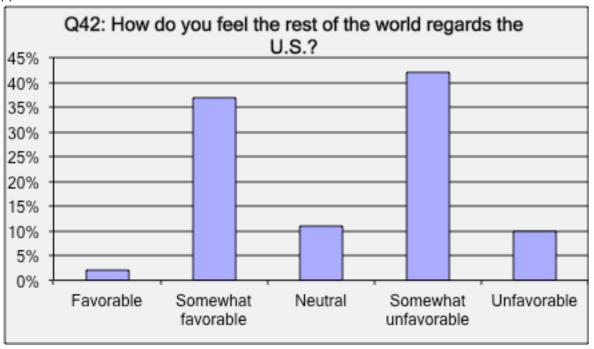


- Perpetual war
- Never ending wars & dominance of militaryindustrial complex
- US foreign policy in general is a personality driven issue based in America on party politics
- Maintain supplies of oil
- Our current foreign policy is in shambles due to lack of stability, wisdom, and understanding of human nature of our leaders
- Greed (lobbying and its acceptance by Govt.

officials)

Q42: How do you feel the rest of the world regards the U.S.?

Answered: 104 Skipped: 14



Comments follow on next few pages



Q42: How do you feel the rest of the world regards the U.S.? Comments:

- Many from all around the world would like to come here
- We have interfered badly in a long list of countries
- The current President has had a negative influence on the relationship of the United States and other countries
- All Bark & no bite, weak, still a bully, untrustworthy and a poor partner
- Opinions swing back and forth a lot. We provided monetary help after an earthquake and make drone strikes that kill innocent civilians
- Our standing in the world and our influence has greatly eroded over the past 50 years
- We are perceived as a "bully" and only do things for our own self-interest
- Most individuals look to the United Staes as a beacon of hope & help, even if their government does not
- We are the largest purveyor of violence in the world
- I think there are a range of views driven by jealousy, fear and admiration.



Q42: How do you feel the rest of the world regards the U.S.? Comments:

- We are bullies who insist on exporting our values and the "Christian" vision of the world.
 We feel free to invade and undermine other countries. Millions are murdered because of
 our meddling and incompetence. What we profess (human rights, spreading democracy,
 etc.) is just a cover for controlling the rest of the world to make it safe for American
 corporations to make the most money.
- Too many people and their countries do not like our intrusion in their affairs.
- We are both envied for our freedoms and denounced for our shortsightedness and arrogance when it comes to dealing with other cultures
- We act like the neighborhood bully. Should act more like the gentle giant.
- Generally agree depending on geo/political circumstances
- As the leadership and policies in the USA change, foreign attitudes towards us change as well
- Current administration doesn't understand American founders and the constitution.
 Apologizing all over the world has made us appear weak. Policies are making sure we are weak.

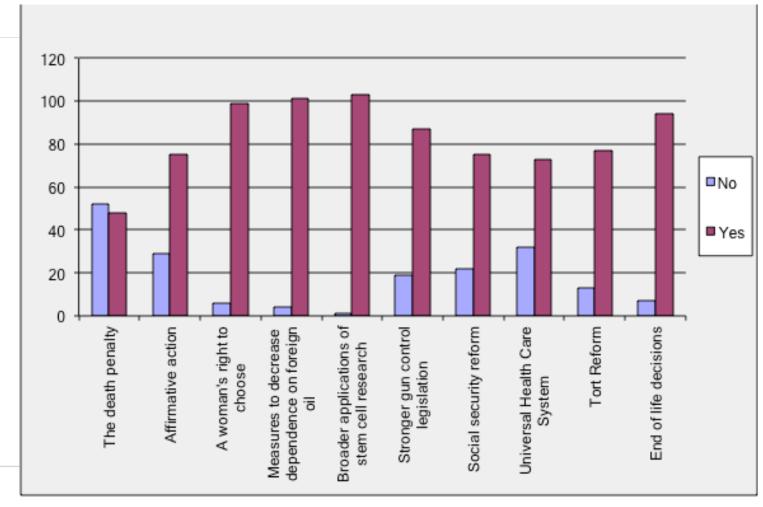


Q42: How do you feel the rest of the world regards the U.S.? Comments:

- We have traveled in countries all over the world and have seldom encountered any hostility to the United States.
- We were once admired, then envied, then feared. Fear may be morphing into contempt as we allow ourselves to be manipulated by other nations because we seem to approach changes in the world with an apparently deepening sense of fear
- We have lost our credibility in foreign policy because we don't keep promises. The decay
 of our system of has led to others to rethink whether they want to re emulate the
 United States
- We have a "we know best" attitude and ride roughshod over other people's ways of life.
 That is no way to gain or preserve favor.
- It depends on which part of the world we're talking about and also varies depending on the news. The recent release of the Senate report on torture has caused our favorability to decrease with good reason



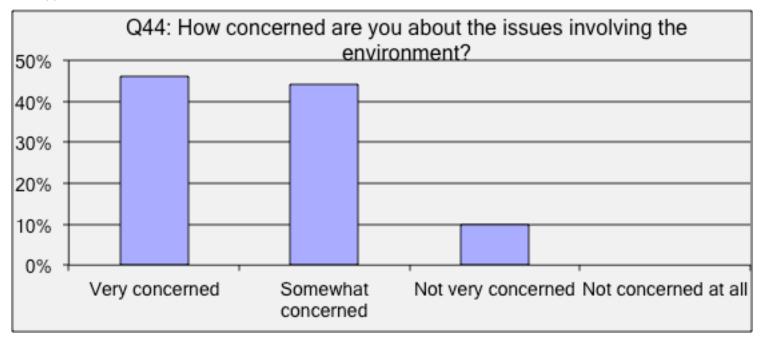
Q43: Do you support any of the following?





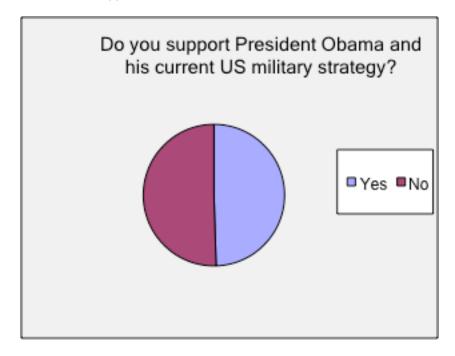
Q44: How concerned are you about the issues involving the environment?

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Answered: 99 Skipped: 19



Although the survey has shown that the majority of the class is socially liberal, the President fails to have the support in his handling of foreign policy. The majority of comments supported the idea that the President has waffled on many of his decisions and has been late in implementing policy decisions. Although there is a plethora of problems confronting the administration at this time, the feeling is that there is a naiveté and lack of experience supporting the decision making.

Comments as to why response are in the next few pages



Non-Supportive Comments

- Lacks a Strategy
 - > I don't think the President has any strategy... I think he just wings it
 - I would be hard-pressed to articulate what his policy is as I believe his has become increasingly more indecisive and slow to act
 - > He has no military strategy. His aim seems to be to weaken us and he's doing it very well
 - He has none and our allies (in Europe and in particular Israel) do not trust the US anymore, while our past enemies laugh at us
- Lacks Leadership
 - ➤ I feel he lacks leadership in that area and follows either public opinion or his own idiosyncratic views rather than having an overall plan from consultation with wise advisors
 - He's no Churchill or Kissinger & is over his head
- Inexperienced
 - Last time I vote for an inexperienced politician. Poor advisors, poor intelligence, poor outcome



Non-Supportive Comments (Continued)

- Don't like his strategy
 - > Too much reliance on military and intelligence. US is a "one trick" pony.
 - Cannot both continue to cut DOD budget and military manpower and still be policeman to the world.
 - Most everything is done for a political purpose.
 - Don't believe he'll stop Iran nukes. Red lines shouldn't be threatened without actual consequences. He is naive when it comes to military threats from Russia, Iran, China. Our foes have to believe we'll use the military if other methods don't work to insure our security
 - Doesn't promote democracy



Non-Supportive Comments (Continued)

- Inept
 - > The man is so inept as to make a case that he is deliberately attempting to destroy America
 - He has no clue how to handle foreign and military policy
 - ➤ I believe he has articulated positions but then has not supported them. He has regularly waffled, studied issues too long and thus has missed the key point of action (Syria which has morphed into ISIS). He wanted to disengage from Iraq and Afghanistan so strongly that he has not considered the ramifications of such disengagement.
 - Gives impression of weakness
 - He is not a realist. Unfortunately the President seems to think we are universally liked and tries to please everyone
 - He is totally clueless. He needs a refresher in world history, which unfortunately has a way of repeating itself
 - > He seems to forget that history has a way of repeating itself
 - Think he could be more pro-active



Supportive Comments

- We can be a leader but we can't solve the world's problems alone,
- The President is cautious and weighs the implications of decisions carefully before acting. I fully support that approach, as opposed to what President Bush did in Iraq and the knee-jerk reactions of certain legislators who think the solution to everything is bombing other countries. If greater knowledge of the Middle East had been applied after 9/11, and especially when attacking Iraq, the world would not be in the mess it is now
- His restraint is admirable
- In general, yes. The bombing in Syria is working to restrict ISIL movements, (I think). You would need half a million troops (which would mean reinstating the draft) to "occupy" Iraq or Afghanistan
- The President is cautious and weighs the implications and consequences of decisions carefully before acting.
 Has he gotten everything right? Perhaps not, but there are no clear or good answers to most of the world's
 problems, and I haven't heard any alternatives that make sense to me. I think he is doing the best he can, and I
 prefer deliberate thought to impulsive action as a method of approaching the almost overwhelming number of
 problems there are currently.
- Obama has been trying to extricate us from military involvements and to require the willing support of the
 countries in which we have a military presence. The pentagon and the generals are too well entrenched in
 political relationships for him to successfully accomplish his aims.
- Obama has an obvious reluctance to send American soldiers to fight the battles of other peoples/countries. If the draft still existed, this attitude would be dominant. Unfortunately, the volunteer army composed of other people's kids allows many to promote overseas war activities. America cannot be the World's Policeman.



Mixed Comments

- I support our standing president. I do not agree with every aspect of his strategy, but he is our elected leader and due our support
- We just need to get out of the middle east!
- US policy in the Middle East is somewhat confused
- US presence in the Middle East is largely a negative. Obama's policy execution has been poor.
- Yes, it is muddled, but better than going to more wars
- I think he needs to come across as more decisive
- The US should no longer be the world policeman. We should not impose our ideas or political system on others
- I think he is trying very hard, and I wouldn't want to be in his shoes, but I can't say I always agree with him
- I think we will need to be further involved to defeat or get ISIS under control. Boots on the ground may be necessary. A more effective use of technology to stifle websites, blogs and funding that promote terrorism and the recruitment of terrorists is important.
- I strongly support the broad outlines -- wars of necessity, not choice, caution about military action, the pivot to China as an area of concern. Within that there are many areas where I disagree.
- I am against all wars.



Q46, Q47, Q48 Responses

Q46: Do you have a religious/ spiritual belief system?

Yes 74.3%

No 25.7%

Q47: Are you actively engaged in religious worship?

Yes 36.4%

No 63.6%

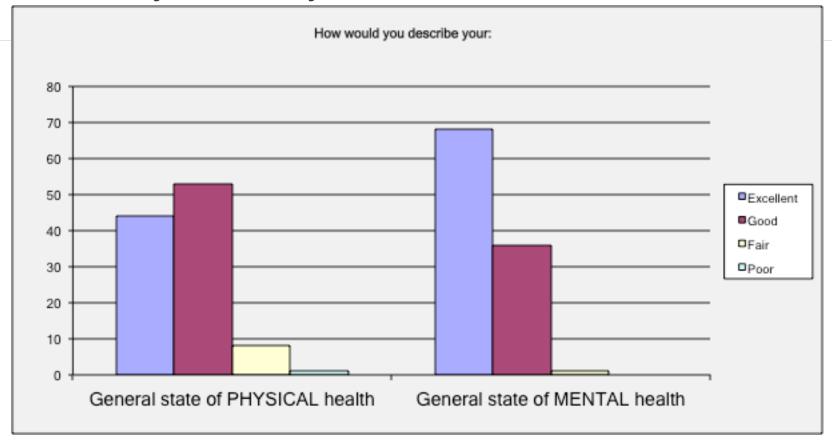
Q48: Is your spouse or significant other of the same religious beliefs?

Yes 83.5%

No 16.5%

For those who said no, it did not create difficulties for them

Q49: How would you describe your:



Males and Females responded approximately the same this year 25 Years ago, a greater % of females replied excellent to state of health



Q50, Q51, Q52, Q53 Responses

Q50: How would you rate your energy/activity level?

Very High	High	Moderate	Low	Very low
18%	46%	35%	2%	0%

Q51: Is physical exercise important to you?

Yes
 No
 There was minimal change from 25 years ago
 Men and Women responded almost the same

Q52: How many hours of exercise do you get per week?

None	1-3 hours	4-5 hours	6-10 hours	More than 10 hours
<i>3</i> %	25 %	<i>36%</i>	26%	10 %

Q53: Are you overweight?

	All	Men	Females	•	Respondents want to loose an average of
Yes	46.7%	41%	54%		21 lbs., no difference men & females
No	53.3%	59%	46%	•	The mode was 15 lbs.



Q54: How have you changed your eating habits to achieve better health?

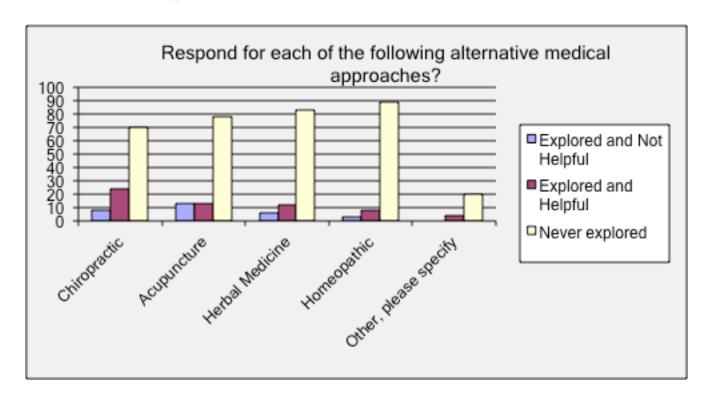
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Q55: Respond for each of the following alternative medical approaches?

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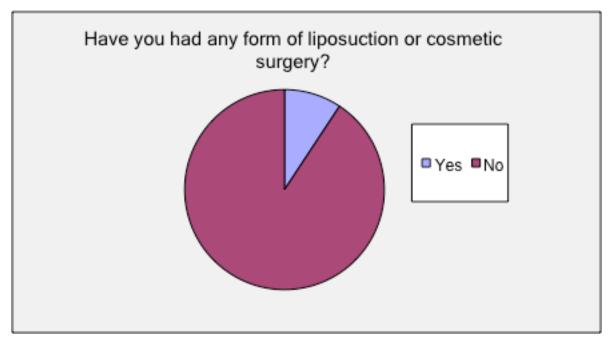


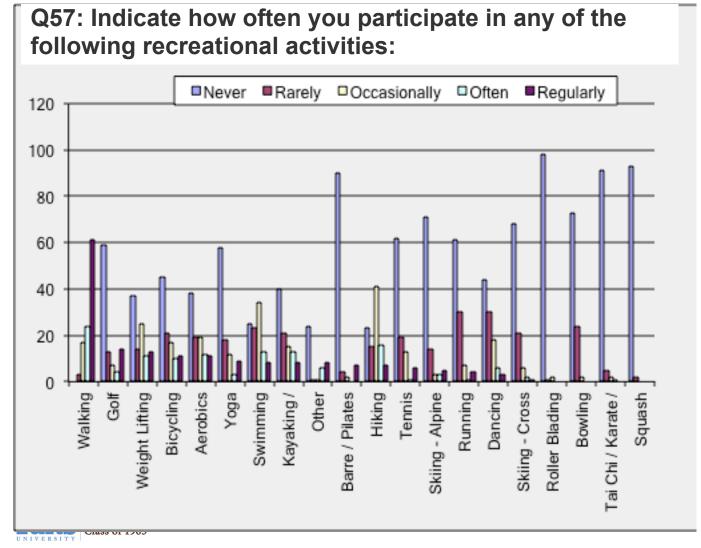
Other Alternative Approaches

- osteopathic medicine and manipulation
- physical condition is an important element of physical health.
- Diet of raw vegetables, fruit, juice and plenty of well water. You are what you eat.
- Physical Therapy
- massage and ART (Assisted Release Technique)
- therapeutic massage

Q56: Have you had any form of liposuction or cosmetic surgery?

Answered: 107 Skipped: 11





Other:

- Working out at the gym
- Bad arthritis and asthma prevent exercise
- Home maintenance & repair
- Stair climber / often
- Table Tennis
- snowshoeing
- Racquetball
- Yard work
- basketball
- playing and chasing after grandchildren and great grandchildren
- skied often until knee surgeries
- Vigorous active sex
- Torture machines at gym with trainer
- Badminton & pickle ball
- cardiovascular exercise and weight training
- Physical labor/farming & silviculture
- Regular workouts, lifting, stretching, etc.

Q58: Select your FIVE most favorite leisure time activities

Answer Options	Sport- spectator	Sport- participant	Watching television	Going to movies	Going to theater	Reading	Gardening	Family activities	Pursuing a hobby	Travel	Socializing with friends	Volunteer work	Cultural events	Politics	Personal fitness	Taking courses	Other
1st Favorite	2	14	2	1	1	15	5	19	3	14	6	4	0	1	6	0	5
2nd Favorite	1	4	1	2	6	8	8	12	4	16	12	5	5	3	7	0	4
3rd Favorite	6	1	4	4	4	12	3	8	10	12	10	3	6	4	7	3	1
4th Favorite	6	0	7	3	6	13	9	9	7	6	7	6	7	4	3	2	3
5th Favorite	2	2	10	6	4	8	5	4	3	9	12	4	3	4	8	1	7

Most favorite leisure time activities were: Reading, Family activities, Travel, and Socializing with friends.



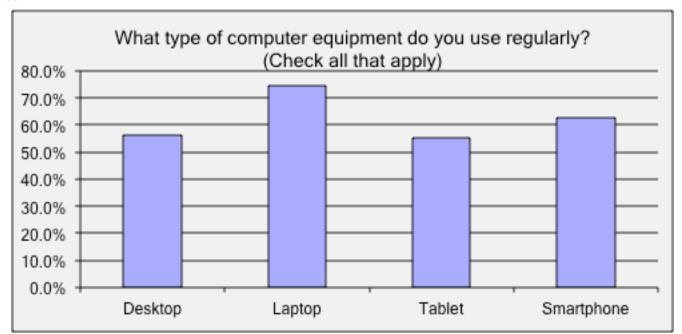
Q58: Select your FIVE most favorite leisure time activities – OTHER:

- Guitar
- Golf /skiing/travel
- Snowmobiling, ATV riding, watercraft
- Scuba Diving
- Hiking
- Home Improvement activities
- · Theater and volunteering as a library trustee
- Politics
- Geocaching
- Used to travel a lot. Now my husband has lost his vision, so I need to stay close to home.
- Family genealogy both DNA tools and paper trails.
- Music (while driving car or as background).
- Eating out
- Flying airplane
- Photography
- Dining at a restaurant with friends

- Watercolor artist including art classes
- Writing
- Sailing
- I am an avid board gamer and participate in national competitions
- Bridge, scrabble
- NYT Crossword puzzles
- Knitting
- Sewing
- Research
- · Singing and playing guitar
- Working on my homes and their environments.
- Church work
- Home Improvement activities
- Music/Opera
- · Walking & working my woodlots
- Going to art/craft galleries
- Taking art workshops

Q59: What type of computer equipment do you use regularly? (Check all that apply)

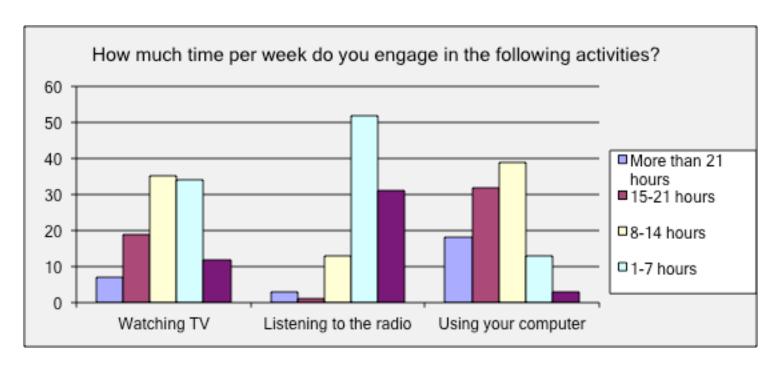
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Q60: How much time per week do you engage in the following activities?

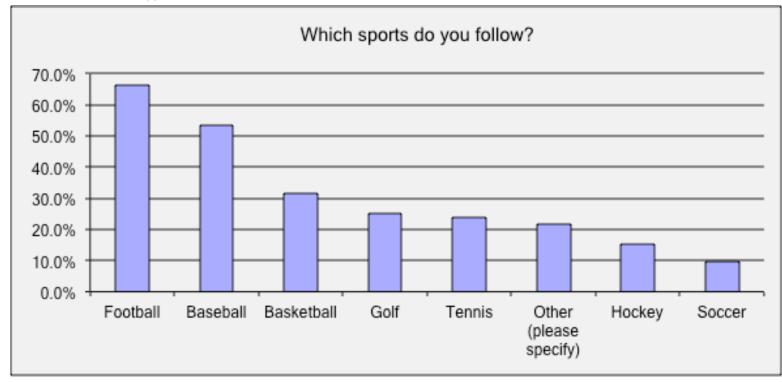
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Q61: Which sports do you follow?

Answered: 92 Skipped: 26

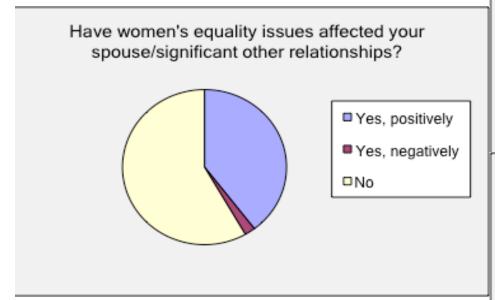


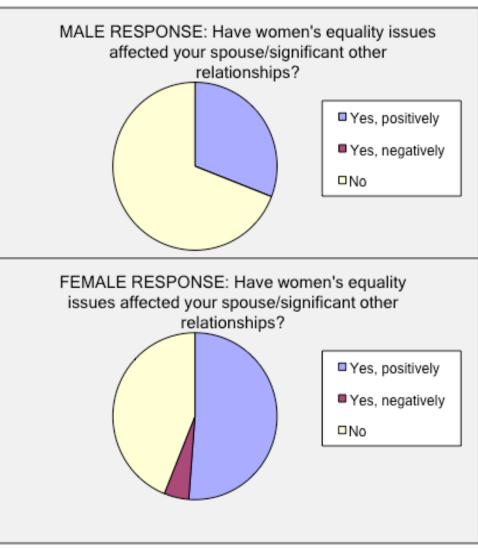
Other:

- NASCAR
- Olympic games
- table tennis
- Also whatever sports my grandkids play
- Lacrosse
- Fishing
- Watching my granddaughter playing softball
- WNBA
- Gymnastics, swimming, ice skating



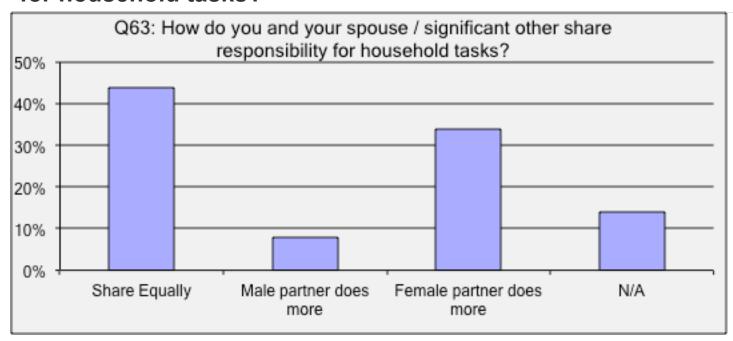
Q62: Have women's equality issues affected your spouse/ significant other relationships?







Q63: How do you and your spouse / significant other share responsibility for household tasks?



Not much difference between male and female responses

Q64: Is your household tasks responsibility sharing approach satisfactory to both you and your spouse/significant other?

Yes

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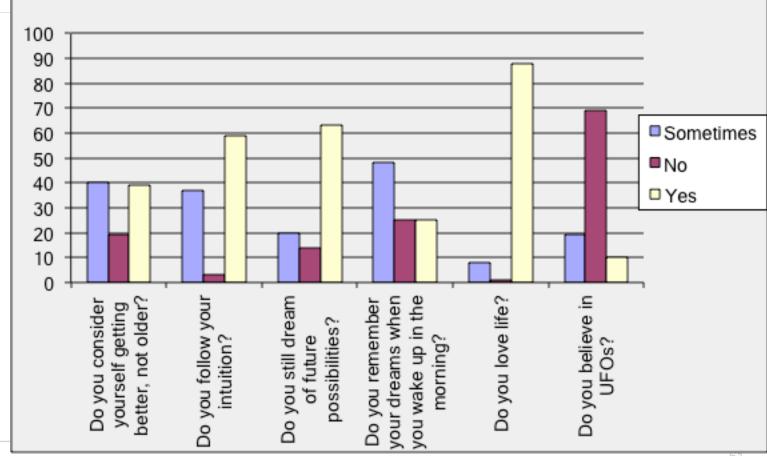
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Q65: Answer the following:

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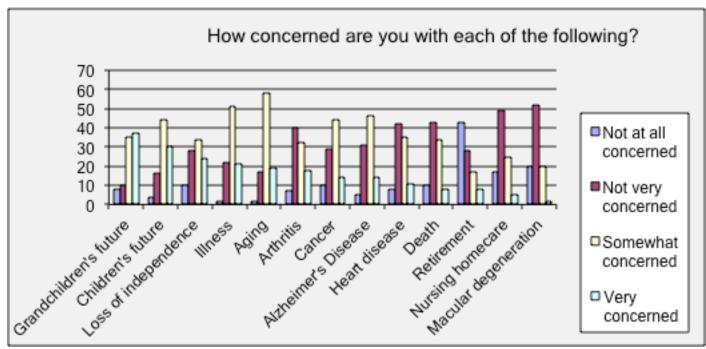


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Q67: How concerned are you with each of the following?

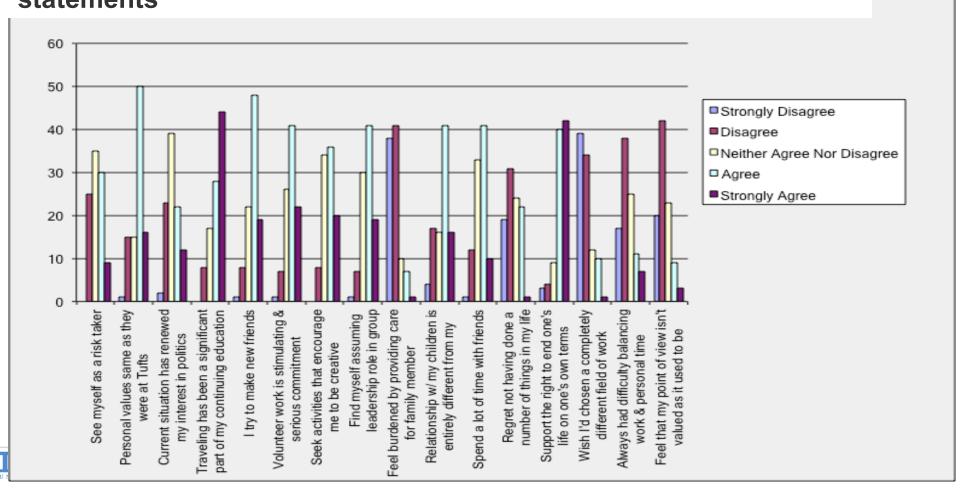
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Other:

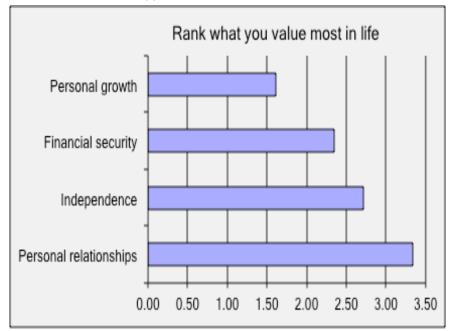
- Downsizing somewhat concerned
- Husband's lack of care for himself
- Parkinson's disease,
 RA
- Dying before I have purged my possessions -- so no one else will have to.
- Nursing homecare for my mother, don't have grandchildren (yet)

Q68: Indicate your level of agreement with the following statements



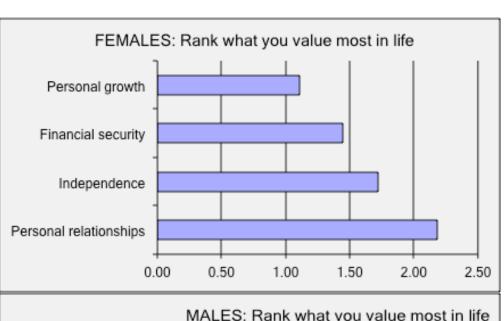
Q69: Rank what you value most in life

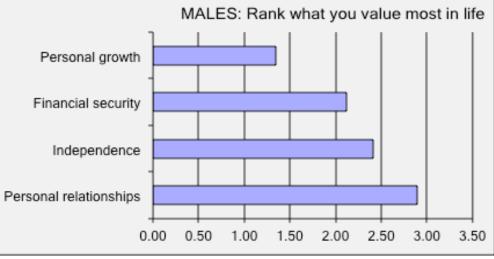
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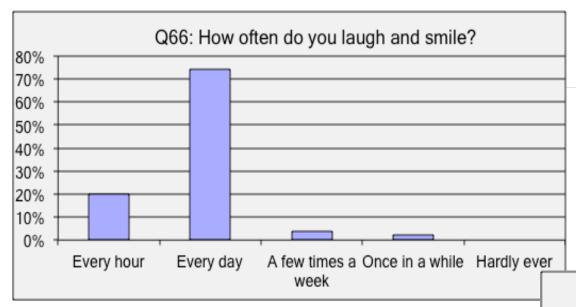


Rating Average









Based on the representation of the respondents, we are a very happy group!

