

**NOTABLE RESULTS: MIMACS - Ypsilanti Wave 3**

January 15 - March 18, 2024

673 Respondents (from Ypsilanti and Ypsilanti Township)

**Residency**

- Just over a third (34%) of Ypsilanti adults have lived in Ypsilanti for more than 20 years [fl\_res\_len], while only 16% have been in the same residence for more than 20 years [current\_res\_len\_y3].
- 38% of Ypsilanti households rent their current residence [housing\_y3].

**Healthcare**

- Most Ypsilanti residents are covered by insurance (94%) [insurance\_type\_y3] and have a place where they regularly go for medical care (87%) [med\_care\_place\_y3]. However, sizable numbers say they have experienced problems getting an appointment soon enough (30%) [healthcare\_prob\_scheappt\_y3], don't trust the healthcare system (22%) [healthcare\_prob\_trust\_y3], and have concerns about their out-of-pocket costs (31%) [healthcare\_prob\_cost\_y3]. And a third (33%) say they had to wait to get medical care during the past 12 months because of the costs [med\_care\_delay\_cost\_y3].

**COVID-19**

- Two thirds (66%) of Ypsilanti residents report that they had COVID-19 at least once, with another 8% reporting they are not sure [c3\_covid\_had\_y3].
- Of those that have had COVID at least once, 20% say they experienced COVID symptoms for longer than a month [c3\_covlong\_y3].
  - The most commonly reported long COVID symptoms are:
    - Tiredness or fatigue (79%) [c3\_covlong\_tired\_y3]
    - Difficulty concentrating, forgetfulness, or memory problems (58%) [c3\_covlong\_fog\_y3]
    - Joint or muscle pain (57%) [c3\_covlong\_joint\_y3]
    - Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath (51%) [c3\_covlong\_breath\_y3]
    - Changes to taste/smell (46%) [c3\_covlong\_smell\_y3]

**Mental Health**

- Large percentages of Ypsilanti residents report feeling nervous/anxious/on edge (58%) [mh\_anxiety\_y3], being unable to stop worrying (41%) [mh\_worry\_y3], or feeling depressed (41%) [mh\_depress\_y3] for at least one day in the past week.
- Many Ypsilanti residents also report lacking companionship (54%) [mh\_companionship\_y3], feeling left out (52%) [mh\_leftout\_y3], or feeling isolated from others (51%) [mh\_isolated\_y3] at least some of the time.

## Neighborhood Satisfaction

- When asked about their satisfaction with various aspects of their neighborhoods, Ypsilanti residents are most satisfied with their access to nearby stores (66%) [nb\_satis\_stores\_y3], public facilities (68%) [nb\_satis\_facilities\_y3], parks and playgrounds (68%) [nb\_satis\_parks\_y3], and the condition of most houses (62%) [nb\_satis\_housequal\_y3]. They are least satisfied with the availability of affordable housing (33%) [nb\_satis\_houseprice\_y3] and crime (39%) [nb\_satis\_crime\_y3].
- Eight in ten (81%) report being at least somewhat satisfied overall with their neighborhood as a place to live [nb\_satis\_y3].

## Transportation

- Roughly a quarter (24%) of Ypsilanti residents experience some level of transportation insecurity—a measure that captures if residents are unable to move from place to place in a safe or timely manner due to an absence of resources necessary for transportation.
  - 16% experience low transportation insecurity.
  - 7% report high transportation insecurity.
  - 77% of Ypsilanti residents are transportation secure.
- Ypsilanti residents are highly dependent on cars to get around. 84% drive their own personal vehicle at least a few times per week [transport\_mode\_owncar\_y3]. Only 6% take the bus regularly [transport\_mode\_bus\_y3] or use paratransit (2%) [transport\_mode\_para\_y3] or a taxi service or rideshare (2%) [transport\_mode\_taxi\_y3].
- 8% of adults in Ypsilanti don't have a valid driver's license [license\_y3].
- 4% don't have insurance for the vehicle they use most of the time [vehicle\_usual\_insur\_y3].

## Financial Precarity

- 27% of Ypsilanti households report having unmanageable levels of debt [fin\_debtexp\_y3].
- 26% could not pay a \$400 emergency expense, while another 7% say they don't know if they could [expense\_400\_y3].
- 36% had to cut the size of meals or skip meals because there wasn't enough money for food [cut\_meal\_cost\_y3].
- 17% made at least one late rent or mortgage payment in the last year [freq\_late\_housing\_y3].

## Immigration

- Ypsilanti residents are more likely to think it should be easier (45%) for foreigners to immigrate to the US, versus 29% that think it should be harder. 13% are unsure. [immig\_ease\_y3]
- More than twice as many Ypsilanti residents feel immigrants are more of a benefit (46%) rather than a cost (20%) to American society [immig\_benefit\_y3].

## Trust in Government

- Ypsilanti residents on the whole are trusting of their governments to make decisions that are good for them. Small numbers never trust the federal (21%) [fedgov\_decision\_y3], local (12%) [localgov\_decision\_y3] or state (11%) government [stategov\_decision\_y3].