

# CRITICAL DATA STRATEGIES, LLC

## State Redistricting Resident Telephone Survey Report for San Joaquin County

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## **Introduction and Methodology**

San Joaquin County desired to gather input from community residents regarding revisions within their congressional, senate, assembly, and supervisorial districts. Critical Data Strategies, LLC was retained to provide this study. In addition to the online survey performed, Critical Data performed a qualitative one-on-one telephone survey/interview process, gathering opinions and comments from a statistically balanced group of county residents based upon ethnic, age, and geographical composition.

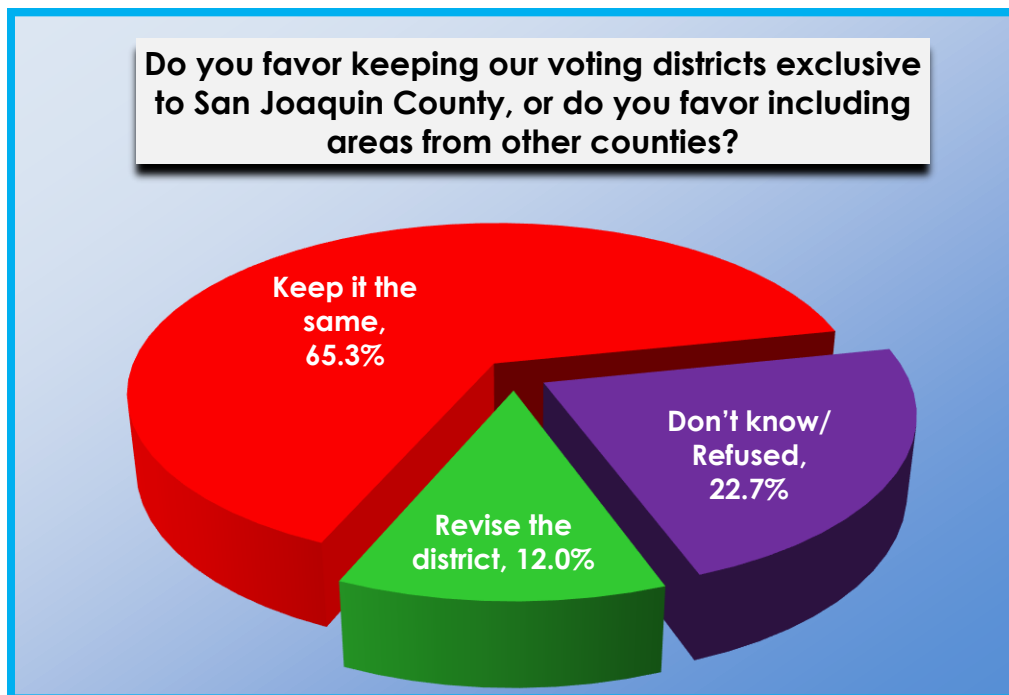
Beginning September 2, 2021, and concluding September 23, 2021, Critical Data Strategies LLC completed a total of 300 executive style telephone interviews with residents within the county using a purchased contact list. San Joaquin County leadership along with a specifically developed committee aided in the development of the questions to be asked based partially upon findings from those 7,000+ responses to the online survey.

This report contains the findings from each area of study as well as conclusions developed based upon those findings.

## Resident Telephone Survey Report

1) Do you favor keeping our voting districts exclusive to San Joaquin County, or do you favor including areas from other counties?

RESPONSE	TIMES MENTIONED	PERCENTAGES
Revise the district	36	12.0%
<b>Keep it the same</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>65.3%</b>
Don't know/ Refused	68	22.7%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>100%</b>





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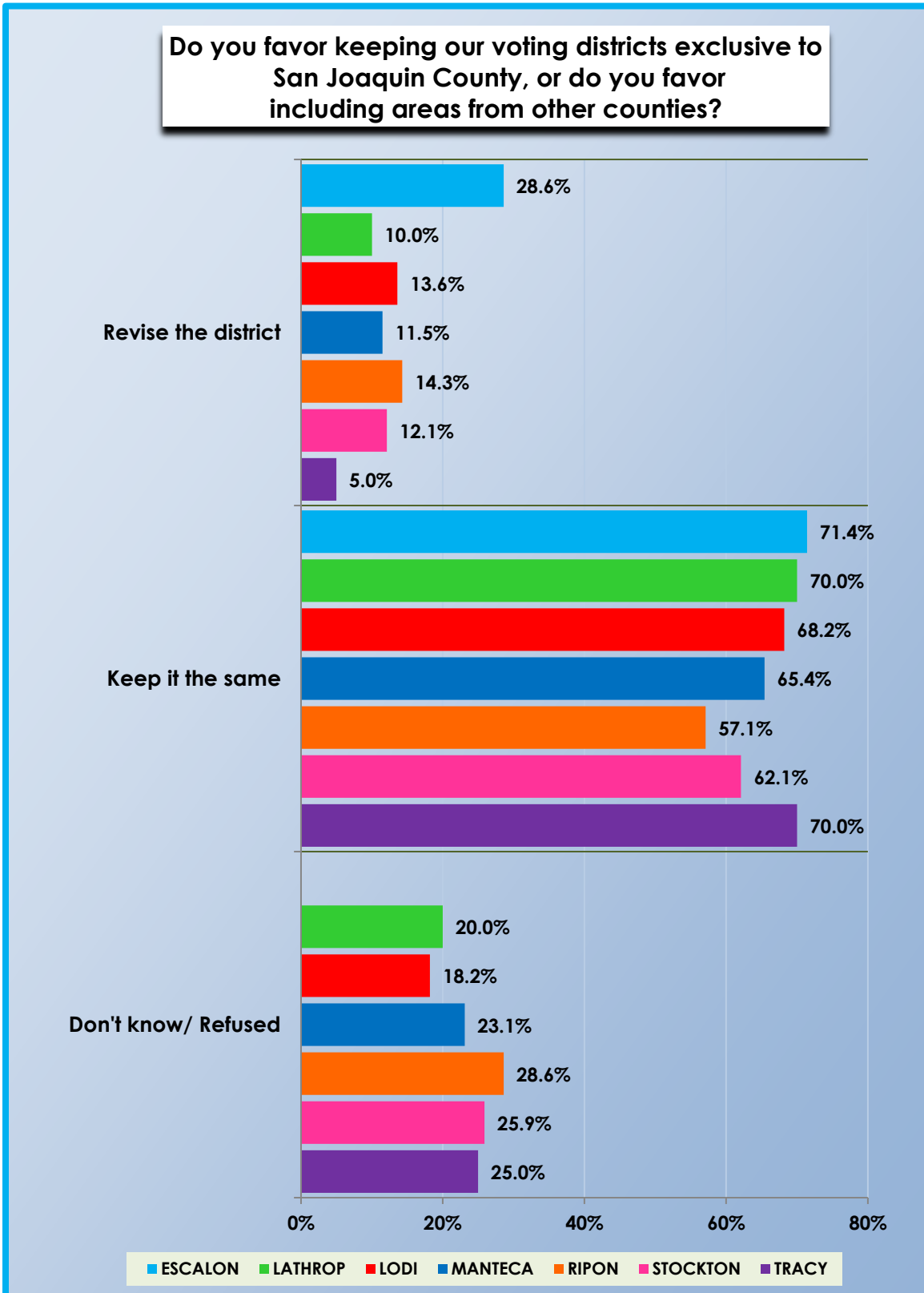
TIMES MENTIONED

RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
Revise the district	4	2	6	6	2	14	2	<b>36</b>
<b>Keep it the same</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>196</b>
Don't know/ Refused	0	4	8	12	4	30	10	<b>68</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>300</b>

PERCENTAGES

RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
Revise the district	28.6%	10.0%	13.6%	11.5%	14.3%	12.1%	5.0%	<b>12.0%</b>
<b>Keep it the same</b>	<b>71.4%</b>	<b>70.0%</b>	<b>68.2%</b>	<b>65.4%</b>	<b>57.1%</b>	<b>62.1%</b>	<b>70.0%</b>	<b>65.3%</b>
Don't know/ Refused	0.0%	20.0%	18.2%	23.1%	28.6%	25.9%	25.0%	<b>22.7%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

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**1a) If 'Revise the district,' Do you have a preference as to how it should be changed?**

RESPONSE	TIMES MENTIONED	PERCENTAGES
<b>No preference/ not sure</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>6.0%</b>
Align with another county (not specified)	8	2.7%
Align with Stanislaus County	4	1.3%
Add more Democrat voters	2	0.7%
Add more Republican voters	2	0.7%
Align with Contra Costa County	2	0.7%

\*36 responded to this question: 4-Escalon, 2-Lathrop, 6-Lodi, 6-Manteca, 2-Ripon, 14-Stockton, and 2-Tracy  
 Percentages based on total number of respondents

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RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
No preference/ not sure	2	2	2	2	2	6	2	18
Align with another county (not specified)	0	0	4	2	0	2	0	8
Align with Stanislaus County	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	4
Add more Democrat voters	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Add more Republican voters	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Align with Contra Costa County	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>36</b>

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RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
No preference/ not sure	14.3%	10.0%	4.5%	3.8%	14.3%	5.2%	5.0%	6.0%
Align with another county (not specified)	0.0%	0.0%	9.1%	3.8%	0.0%	1.7%	0.0%	2.7%
Align with Stanislaus County	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%	3.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.3%
Add more Democrat voters	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.7%	0.0%	0.7%
Add more Republican voters	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.7%	0.0%	0.7%
Align with Contra Costa County	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.7%	0.0%	0.7%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

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**ADDITIONAL COMMENTS**

CITY	Q1 RESPONSE	COMMENT
Escalon	Keep it the same	I want them to keep the county to themselves.
Escalon	Keep it the same	This will affect how I will vote if they do redistricting. I am not for this idea at all.
Escalon	Revise the district	I live in the city, and I don't think the government will pay attention to what the county residents want. This will not affect how I would vote either.
Lodi	Don't know/ Refused	Against voting districts, they are all corrupt.
Lodi	Don't know/ Refused	I haven't studied the impact of what it would be.
Lodi	Revise the district	I don't know exactly how I would like it revised.
Manteca	Don't know/ Refused	I'm not educated on this issue enough to give an opinion.
Manteca	Don't know/ Refused	Some of the irrigation and reservoirs that feed into San Joaquin County are actually located in other counties. Whatever we do upstream also effects what we do downstream.
Manteca	Revise the district	My husband works in Alameda County so I would like to see other counties included.
Manteca	Revise the district	We could possibly be redistricted for the Stanislaus County.
Ripon	Revise the district	I don't exactly know what the county is looking for, but I would turn the county Republican
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	Actually, it really doesn't matter what I say or think because the boundaries will be drawn according to the census count. Also, it doesn't matter what the boundary lines say because people vote, not the lines, and people vote according to their party.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I don't care.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I don't care. I'm not into that politics stuff.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I don't really care unless it's going to cost me more money in taxes.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I had not thought about the redistricting and what it would mean to our boundary lines. I would want to know who would have the final say. Would it be San Joaquin or an adjoining county like Contra Costa or Alameda. Once I know that, I would be able to do some research and make my decision. Until then, I don't know what I would say.

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CITY	Q1 RESPONSE	COMMENT
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I have no idea. I try to stay out of politics, so I really don't have an answer because I don't know anything about it, and I'm going to keep it that way.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I haven't thought about it so I can't answer with any intelligence. I will give it some thought.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I would have to do some research as to how it would either benefit or harm me.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I would want to know how this would affect me, and until then, I don't know.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I'm an immigrant, I don't know anything about that stuff, and I don't care what you do about it.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	This is something I have not thought about. I would really have to take some time to do some research to see which would be the right way to go.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	Without research, I have no idea. I would need time to research which county would provide the best benefits and which would not, then weigh the odds. That is not something you can just give a quick answer to.
Stockton	Keep it the same	Change only if it goes to Alameda County.
Stockton	Keep it the same	I do not think is a good idea at all. They are so busy now that to add more work would make it impossible to get anything done.
Stockton	Keep it the same	I guess it should stay the same. I don't really pay attention to any of that.
Stockton	Keep it the same	It would be nice if you left the boundaries alone, but I think you're going to change them because of the census. The census is what defines the boundaries, so you'll be working it according to the count and it really doesn't matter what we say.
Stockton	Keep it the same	Just leave it alone.
Stockton	Revise the district	I believe that because of the Census the legislative district boundary lines might change. I would have to spend some time in research trying to figure out what would be the best for me. That would take a good deal of time, and frankly I don't have that kind of time for that issue. Therefore, I will have to count on the county to do the work and hope it will be good for the community.
Stockton	Revise the district	If it's all democratic, then we will make money.
Stockton	Revise the district	I'm saying revise the district, but you will do whatever you want to do anyway, but at least I had my say in the matter.

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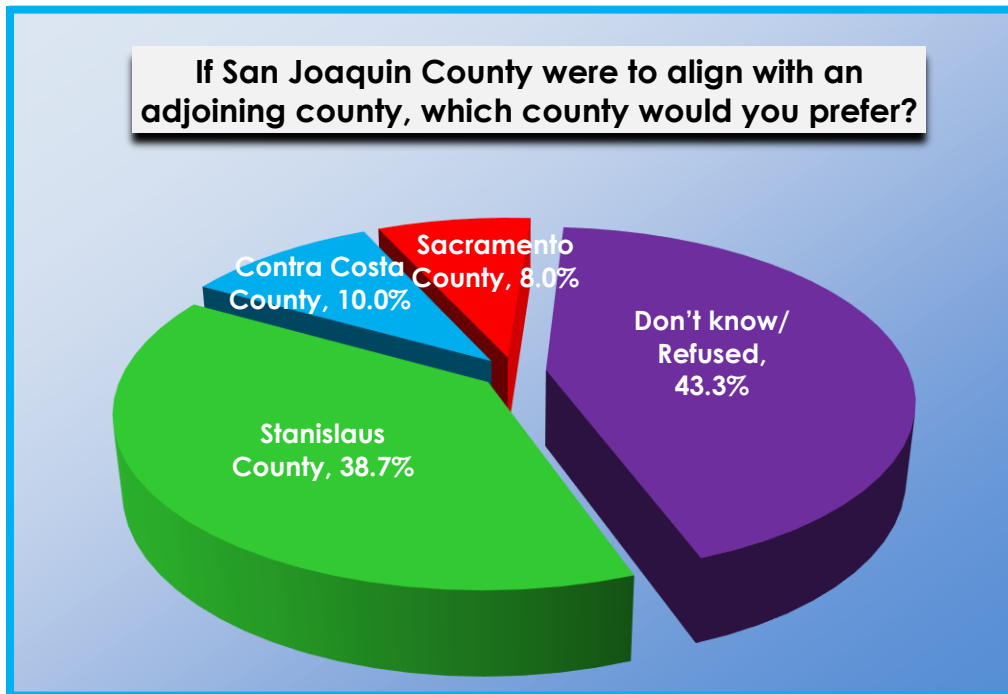
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Tracy	Don't know/ Refused	I am not knowledgeable about this issue. If this helps us have more power in getting our issues met, I would be in favor of joining counties.
Tracy	Don't know/ Refused	I am not sure of the benefit of joining with other counties. I would be more willing to join if it will help us be able to address some of our bigger issues. I am in favor of more power to get things changed. If it dilutes the power, then I am not in favor of it.
Tracy	Don't know/ Refused	I am not too concerned either way.
Tracy	Don't know/ Refused	My desire for this idea would be determined by how those changes based on republican and democrats' numbers. Is this an effort to gerrymander? I do not think this will be a very good idea. I have appreciated that California has made good efforts to not have gerrymandering happening.
Tracy	Keep it the same	I don't believe that any county should be included in another county. They should all be responsible for themselves.
Tracy	Keep it the same	I don't think it is a very good idea.
Tracy	Keep it the same	I prefer it to stay exclusive to our county.
Tracy	Keep it the same	I really think we should stay with just our one county. If they are joining with other counties, the San Joaquin needs might get pushed lower on the totem pole.
Tracy	Keep it the same	I think that our one county should stay to itself and not join with any other counties. We would get lost in the mix.
Tracy	Keep it the same	I think this would dilute the effectiveness of our representative.
Tracy	Keep it the same	I would prefer to keep it self-contained.
Tracy	Keep it the same	I would prefer us to be just our own district.
Tracy	Keep it the same	We would prefer to keep it the same.

2) If San Joaquin County were to align with an adjoining county, which county would you prefer?

RESPONSE	TIMES MENTIONED	PERCENTAGES
Stanislaus County	116	38.7%
Contra Costa County	30	10.0%
Sacramento County	24	8.0%
<b>Don't know/ Refused</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>43.3%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>100%</b>





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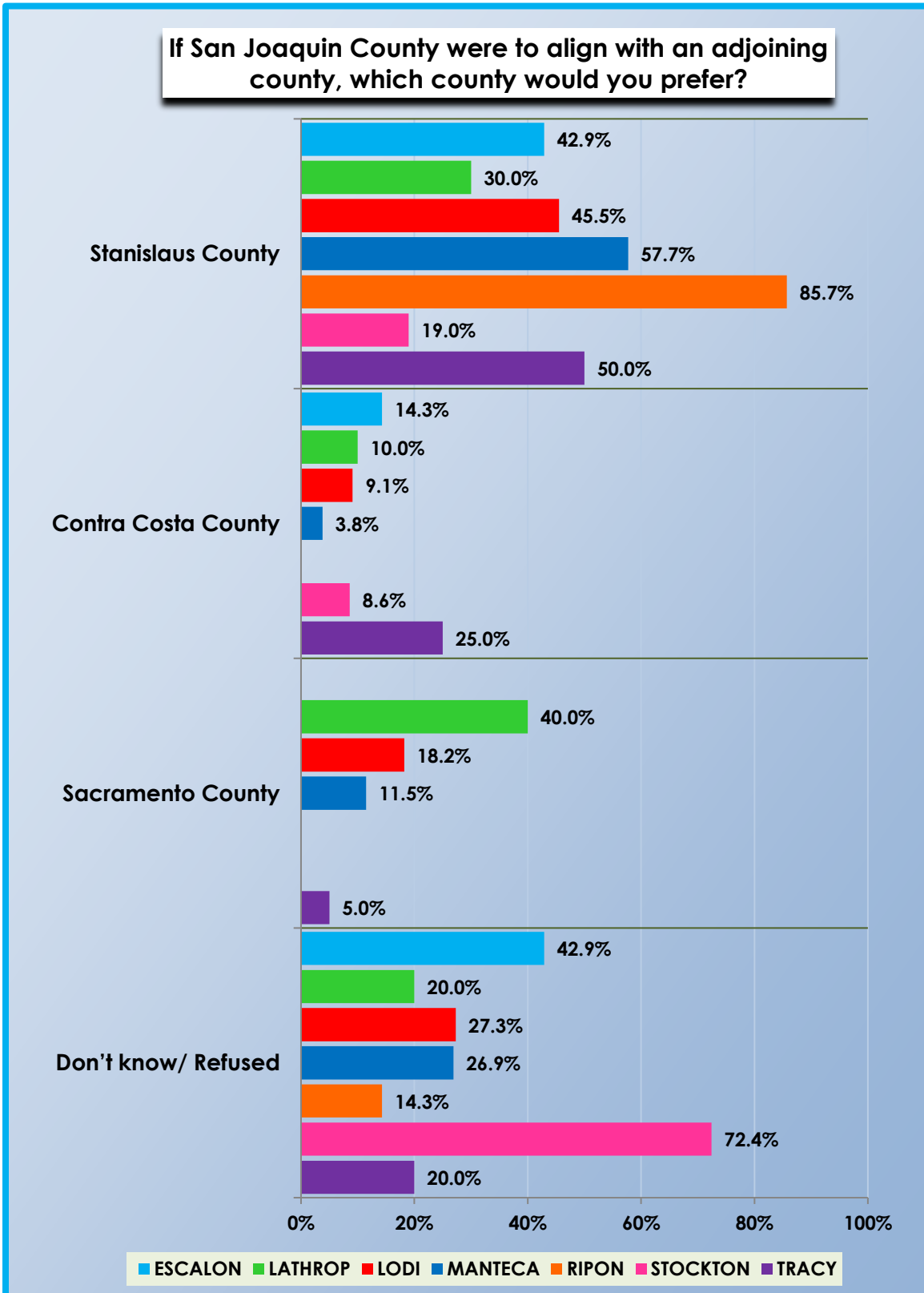
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RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
Stanislaus County	6	6	20	30	12	22	20	116
Contra Costa County	2	2	4	2	0	10	10	30
Sacramento County	0	8	8	6	0	0	2	24
Don't know/ Refused	6	4	12	14	2	84	8	130
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>300</b>

PERCENTAGES

RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
Stanislaus County	42.9%	30.0%	45.5%	57.7%	85.7%	19.0%	50.0%	38.7%
Contra Costa County	14.3%	10.0%	9.1%	3.8%	0.0%	8.6%	25.0%	10.0%
Sacramento County	0.0%	40.0%	18.2%	11.5%	0.0%	0.0%	5.0%	8.0%
Don't know/ Refused	42.9%	20.0%	27.3%	26.9%	14.3%	72.4%	20.0%	43.3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

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(Question 2 continued, "If San Joaquin County were to align with an adjoining county, which county would you prefer?")

**ADDITIONAL COMMENTS**

CITY	Q2 RESPONSE	COMMENT
Escalon	Don't know/ Refused	I say none of the above. We are a farming community, and those other counties are not. They do not have the same concerns that we do.
Escalon	Don't know/ Refused	San Joaquin County is a very big county of itself. If they try to add more counties, the cost of living will go up in those smaller counties. I would not want to put them all together.
Escalon	Stanislaus County	We're only a few miles from there and we are in Escalon. We would definitely want to pay more attention to what's happening in Modesto because that affects us more.
Lathrop	Contra Costa County	I would prefer Contra Costa by a wide margin over the others.
Lathrop	Don't know/ Refused	I would have to do more research to really pick one.
Lodi	Sacramento County	Because thinking of funding. I'm not sure what the impact will be.
Manteca	Contra Costa County	Contra Costa seems to be a lot better than the other counties in some ways.
Manteca	Don't know/ Refused	I really don't know too much about the redistricting or county boundaries.
Manteca	Don't know/ Refused	I would say Alameda County if given the choice.
Manteca	Don't know/ Refused	Whichever one is doing the most for their community and helping the less fortunate is the one I would choose.
Manteca	Stanislaus County	Communities in Stanislaus are more in line with us regarding lifestyle and the resources we use.
Manteca	Stanislaus County	Stanislaus is the closest to me.
Manteca	Stanislaus County	We already seem to share some resources and representation with other counties.
Stockton	Contra Costa County	Maybe Alameda.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	Again, I would have to do some serious research as to the pros and cons before I could intelligently answer that question.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I don't care.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I don't know enough to give a constructive answer.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I just don't care.

Table Continued



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CITY	Q2 RESPONSE	COMMENT
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I really don't care.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I think Alameda would be better, but I would really have to think about it.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I would prefer Alameda County.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I'm a truck driver, so I don't really keep up with the news.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	It doesn't really matter what I think, I don't make the decisions and they will do what they want no matter what I say.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	It would wise to join to the county closest to San Joaquin.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	Just moved from New York and don't much about the other counties.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	Maybe Alameda? But I would rather it stay the same.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	Only Alameda County.
Tracy	Contra Costa County	Alameda County would be a good choice, too. I believe that the Congressional Districts should be drawn by a non-partisan committee, going along logical boundaries for counties, with the express purpose of avoiding any gerrymandering.
Tracy	Contra Costa County	I also think Alameda has all the same problems we do and aren't doing as well as we are. I think Contra Costa is more conservative.
Tracy	Contra Costa County	They are the closest to us. I travel into Contra Costa County every day.
Tracy	Don't know/ Refused	Any of those would be fine, if we did have to do something like redistricting.
Tracy	Don't know/ Refused	I really want to keep the county to itself and not join.
Tracy	Don't know/ Refused	I would pick whichever county is cleaner.
Tracy	Sacramento County	I feel like I would need to research this decision more.
Tracy	Stanislaus County	Alameda County is my first choice. We have more in common with them.
Tracy	Stanislaus County	All these counties would be good.

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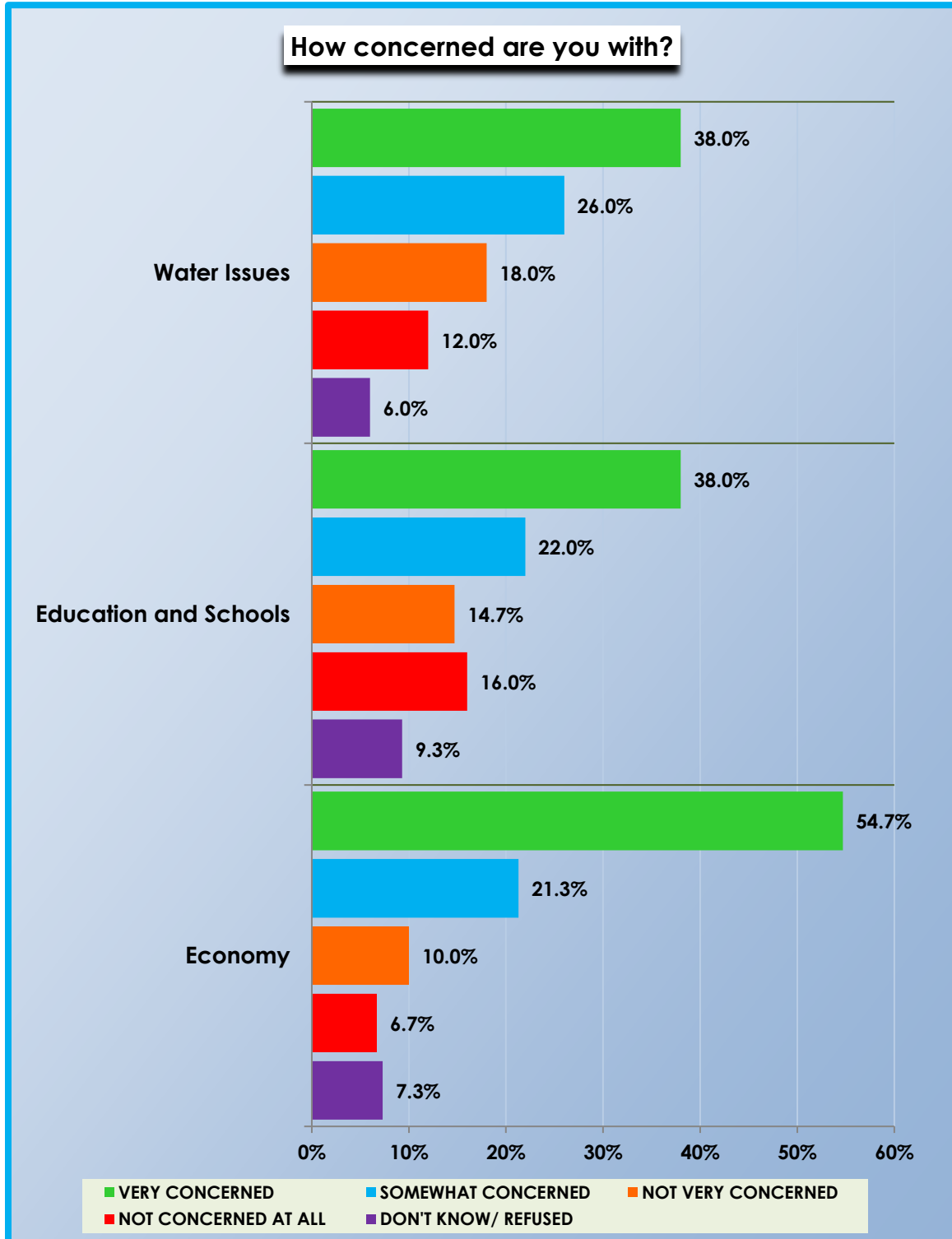
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CITY	Q2 RESPONSE	COMMENT
Tracy	Stanislaus County	Stanislaus and San Joaquin have the same types of issues, same type of economic base and similar focus. Sacramento is too big, and we would get lost in their issues.
Tracy	Stanislaus County	The other counties are too different and too far away.
Tracy	Stanislaus County	The two counties have the same values.
Tracy	Stanislaus County	They are more compatible with San Joaquin.
Tracy	Stanislaus County	They have similar issues.
Tracy	Stanislaus County	They have the same issues.



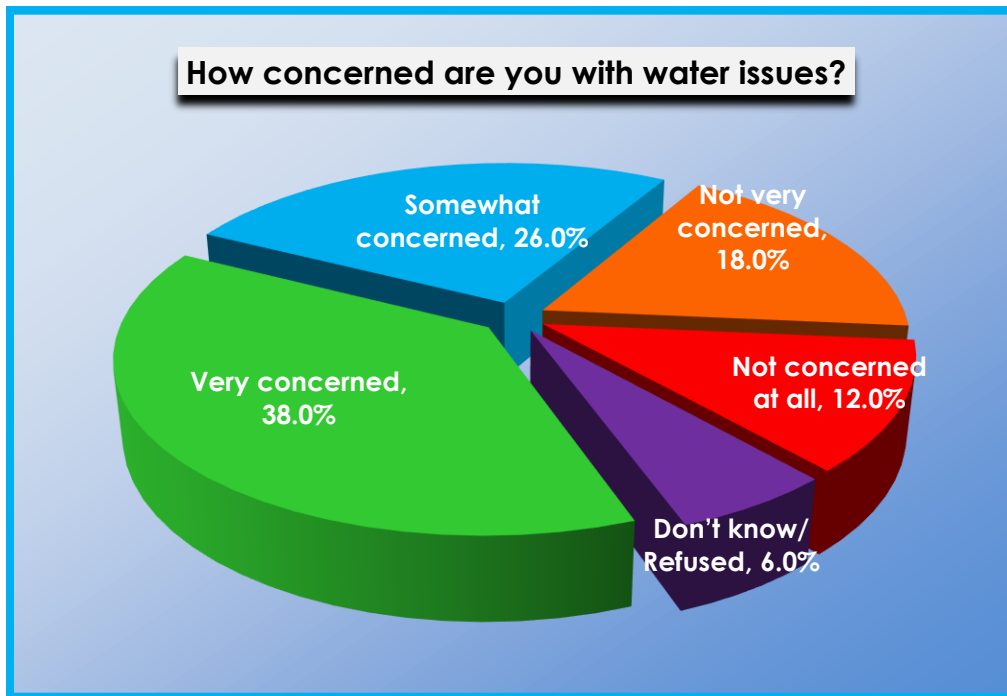
3) Recently San Joaquin County conducted an online survey that was completed by more than 7,000 residents. Residents were asked what issues mattered most to them. Some of the most important issues were water, education and schools, and the economy. How concerned are you with:



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

**3a) Water issues. Examples include flooding, drought or lack of water, delta tunnels, and the levees.**

RESPONSE	TIMES MENTIONED	PERCENTAGES
<b>Very concerned</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>38.0%</b>
Somewhat concerned	78	26.0%
Not very concerned	54	18.0%
Not concerned at all	36	12.0%
Don't know/ Refused	18	6.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>100%</b>



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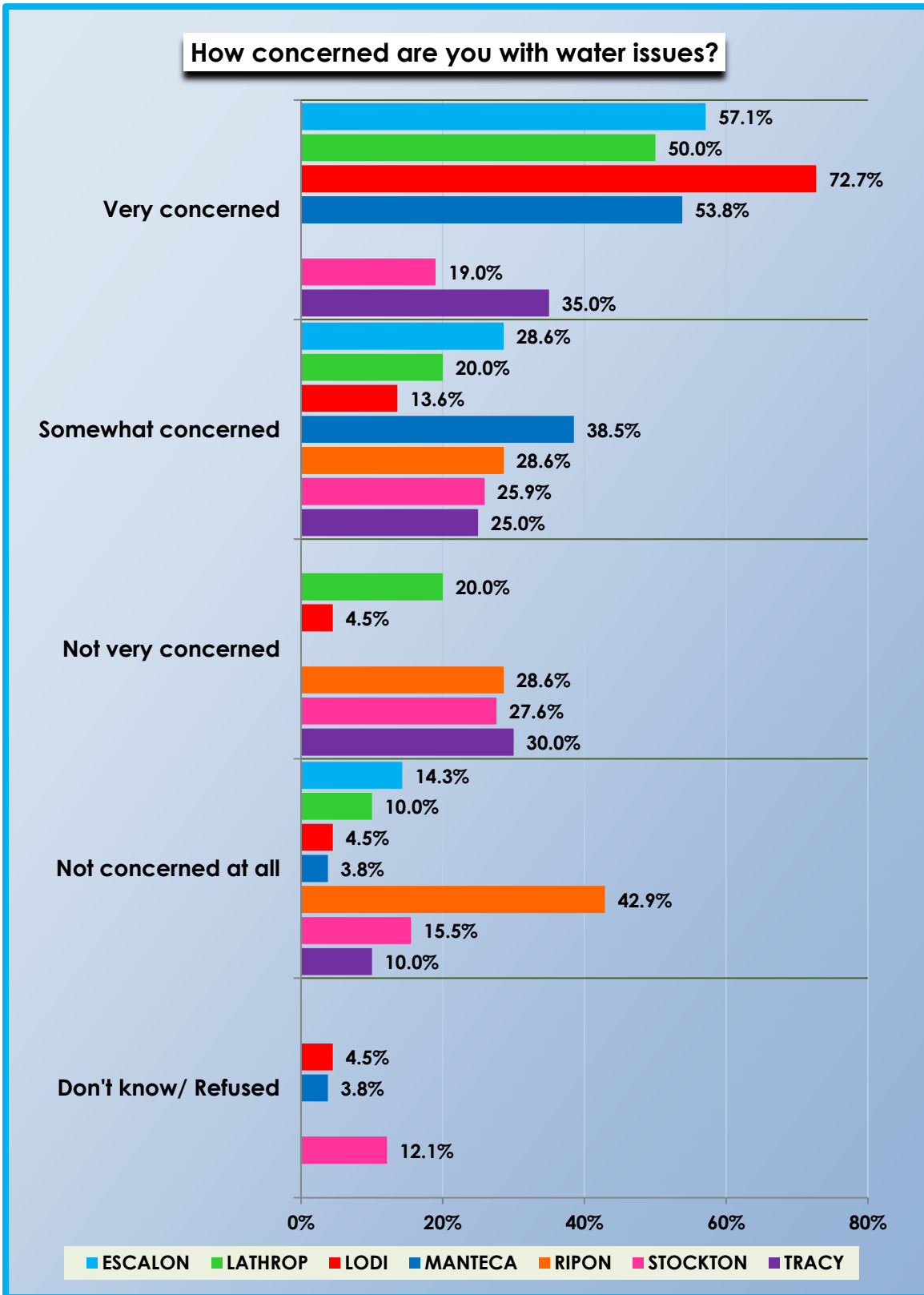
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Very concerned	8	10	32	28	0	22	14	114
Somewhat concerned	4	4	6	20	4	30	10	78
Not very concerned	0	4	2	0	4	32	12	54
Not concerned at all	2	2	2	2	6	18	4	36
Don't know/ Refused	0	0	2	2	0	14	0	18
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>300</b>

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RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
Very concerned	57.1%	50.0%	72.7%	53.8%	0.0%	19.0%	35.0%	38.0%
Somewhat concerned	28.6%	20.0%	13.6%	38.5%	28.6%	25.9%	25.0%	26.0%
Not very concerned	0.0%	20.0%	4.5%	0.0%	28.6%	27.6%	30.0%	18.0%
Not concerned at all	14.3%	10.0%	4.5%	3.8%	42.9%	15.5%	10.0%	12.0%
Don't know/ Refused	0.0%	0.0%	4.5%	3.8%	0.0%	12.1%	0.0%	6.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")





(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

**3a1) Which water issue are you and your community most impacted by, and how so?**

RESPONSE	TIMES MENTIONED*	PERCENTAGES*
<b>Drought/ Lack of Water</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>46.7%</b>
No issues/ concerns	70	23.3%
Rising cost of water	22	7.3%
Don't know/ Refused	20	6.7%
Water for farming/ agriculture	20	6.7%
Clean/ quality drinking water	18	6.0%
Flooding issues	16	5.3%
Levees	16	5.3%
Delta tunnels	14	4.7%

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Question allowed for more than one response

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RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
Drought/ Lack of Water	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>34</b>	4	<b>52</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>140</b>
No issues/ concerns	2	6	4	2	<b>10</b>	38	8	<b>70</b>
Rising cost of water	0	4	0	4	0	8	6	<b>22</b>
Don't know/ Refused	2	2	4	2	0	8	2	<b>20</b>
Water for farming/ agriculture	2	0	4	4	0	2	8	<b>20</b>
Clean/ quality drinking water	<b>4</b>	0	4	6	0	2	2	<b>18</b>
Flooding issues	0	2	0	6	0	4	4	<b>16</b>
Levees	0	0	2	4	0	8	2	<b>16</b>
Delta tunnels	0	0	0	2	0	4	8	<b>14</b>

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**\*PERCENTAGES**

RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
Drought/ Lack of Water	<b>28.6%</b>	<b>40.0%</b>	<b>63.6%</b>	<b>65.4%</b>	28.6%	<b>44.8%</b>	<b>25.0%</b>	<b>46.7%</b>
No issues/ concerns	14.3%	30.0%	9.1%	3.8%	<b>71.4%</b>	32.8%	20.0%	<b>23.3%</b>
Rising cost of water	0.0%	20.0%	0.0%	7.7%	0.0%	6.9%	15.0%	<b>7.3%</b>
Don't know/ Refused	14.3%	10.0%	9.1%	3.8%	0.0%	6.9%	5.0%	<b>6.7%</b>
Water for farming/ agriculture	14.3%	0.0%	9.1%	7.7%	0.0%	1.7%	20.0%	<b>6.7%</b>
Clean/ quality drinking water	<b>28.6%</b>	0.0%	9.1%	11.5%	0.0%	1.7%	5.0%	<b>6.0%</b>
Flooding issues	0.0%	10.0%	0.0%	11.5%	0.0%	3.4%	10.0%	<b>5.3%</b>
Levees	0.0%	0.0%	4.5%	7.7%	0.0%	6.9%	5.0%	<b>5.3%</b>
Delta tunnels	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3.8%	0.0%	3.4%	20.0%	<b>4.7%</b>

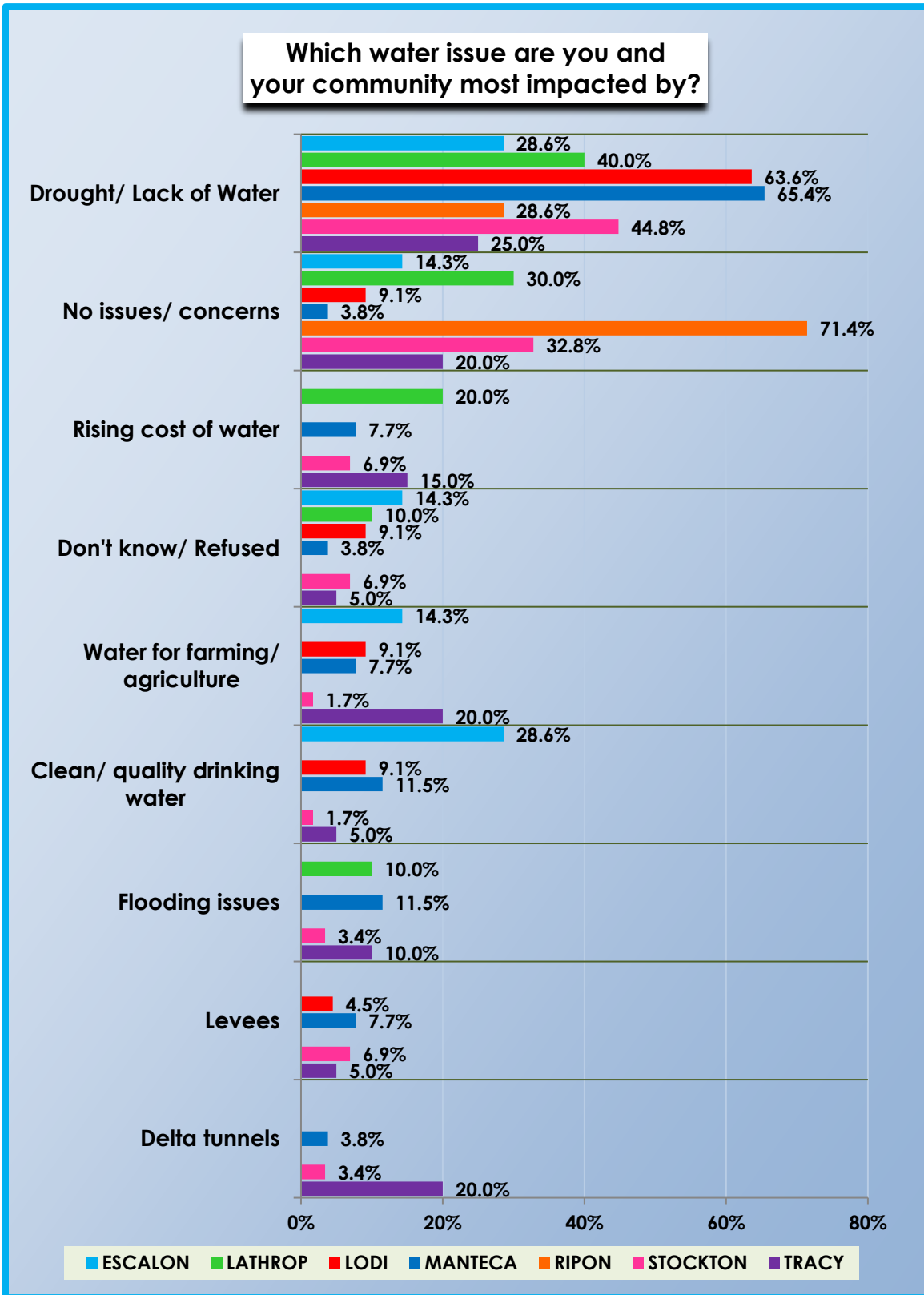
\*300 responded to this question: 14-Escalon, 20-Lathrop, 44-Lodi, 52-Manteca, 14-Ripon, 116-Stockton, and 40-Tracy

Question allowed for more than one response

Percentages based on number of respondents



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")





(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

**ADDITIONAL COMMENTS**

CITY	WATER ISSUES RESPONSE	COMMENT
Escalon	Not concerned at all	We are on the high side of the river and lived here 50 years and have never had a problem with water.
Escalon	Somewhat concerned	Having a clean water supply is my biggest concern.
Escalon	Somewhat concerned	Is the water supply okay for drinking?
Escalon	Somewhat concerned	I know in Merced County that you cannot even drink the water. We don't want that to happen through the smaller counties, too.
Escalon	Very concerned	Drought is most concerning.
Escalon	Very concerned	Drought is most concerning to me.
Escalon	Very concerned	I'm concerned about the lack of water for farmlands.
Escalon	Very concerned	We need increased water storage for the whole county, and the state as well.
Lathrop	Somewhat concerned	Drought issues are a problem.
Lathrop	Somewhat concerned	I'm not sure about any water issues.
Lathrop	Very concerned	Drought is my concern.
Lathrop	Very concerned	Drought is my biggest concern.
Lathrop	Very concerned	I am impacted by the high cost of water.
Lathrop	Very concerned	People are watering lawns too much.
Lathrop	Very concerned	The lack of rain and drought conditions impact us.
Lathrop	Very concerned	The drought.
Lathrop	Very concerned	We live in a flood zone, which is a concern. And the price of water is so high and that is my biggest concern.
Lodi	Somewhat concerned	Drought.
Lodi	Somewhat concerned	Drought. I would like to have more access to water.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	WATER ISSUES RESPONSE	COMMENT
Lodi	Somewhat concerned	The drought.
Lodi	Somewhat concerned	The ongoing drought.
Lodi	Very concerned	A lot of water is being wasted. People using it for car wash, it shouldn't be used like that as we are in a drought.
Lodi	Very concerned	A lot of people still use and waste too much water when they should be conserving it.
Lodi	Very concerned	Do management and orchards. By the Delta. Sometimes it's limited water.
Lodi	Very concerned	Drought. (mentioned 11 times)
Lodi	Very concerned	Drought is my biggest concern.
Lodi	Very concerned	Drought issues.
Lodi	Very concerned	Drought. It doesn't impact me, the water isn't turned off, but other areas in CA there are major water shortages. That is not a good thing.
Lodi	Very concerned	Farming and orchards.
Lodi	Very concerned	Farmers need the water.
Lodi	Very concerned	I am worried about the drought we are in.
Lodi	Very concerned	I am really worried about the drought.
Lodi	Very concerned	I'm really concerned about the drought and the increased fire danger.
Lodi	Very concerned	I'm really concerned about the drought happening in our state right now.
Lodi	Very concerned	Just issues with drought conditions.
Lodi	Very concerned	Just the drought. Inadequate water.
Lodi	Very concerned	Levees.
Lodi	Very concerned	Levees, if they give, then it affects the region.
Lodi	Very concerned	Quality of water. Get letters in the mail about quality, not so much drought, which is state-wide.

Table Continued



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	WATER ISSUES RESPONSE	COMMENT
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	Drought. (mentioned 3 times)
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	Drought has the biggest impact.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	Drought probably has the most impact but then there were flooding issues a few years ago. Flooding is pretty controlled now.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	Flooding issues.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	Flooding and the levees are the most impactful issues.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	I am homeless and have no place to wash and clean my body. Bathrooms are closed down in the parks.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	Sometimes in the winter there is a risk of flooding. And of course droughts impact us as well.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	Tap water up here is undrinkable. I don't understand why, when supposedly there is a filter system. I drink bottled water.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	The quality of water.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	The quality of drinking water impacts our community.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	Water for farms and agriculture.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	Water is needed for farming.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	Water supply impacts me. If I am paying premium for water I want to water my lawn when I want and not be told when I can and can't water my lawn.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	We have a lot of hard water. It impacts us by the bad smell, rusting toilets, and it's not good for skin or health.
Manteca	Very concerned	Drought and fires.
Manteca	Very concerned	Drought and fire season impact my community the most.
Manteca	Very concerned	Drought and the lack of water is my biggest concern.
Manteca	Very concerned	Drought is my main concern.
Manteca	Very concerned	Drought causes the prices to go up.
Manteca	Very concerned	Drought effects our ability to use water.

Table Continued



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	WATER ISSUES RESPONSE	COMMENT
Manteca	Very concerned	Drought is a big concern. When it doesn't rain it is a problem.
Manteca	Very concerned	Drought is a concern.
Manteca	Very concerned	Drought issues are a problem.
Manteca	Very concerned	I'm concerned about the drought. <i>(mentioned 3 times)</i>
Manteca	Very concerned	I'm concerned about the drought we are in because of the lack of rain.
Manteca	Very concerned	My community is impacted by the tunnels and levees.
Manteca	Very concerned	My concerns are not enough water.
Manteca	Very concerned	My concerns are not enough water and the delta water.
Manteca	Very concerned	The drought and fires that happen every summer are a big concern It is too dry, and we live with more and more smoke and drought in the summers.
Manteca	Very concerned	The limitation of watering when the supply is low impacts us.
Manteca	Very concerned	The most important issue is getting water to the farmers.
Manteca	Very concerned	We are impacted when the water we can use is limited.
Ripon	Not very concerned	No one cares about the water anymore. Now everyone is concerned about fires.
Ripon	Somewhat concerned	Issues with draught.
Ripon	Somewhat concerned	Issues with the draught and risk of fire.
Ripon	Somewhat concerned	Lack of water.
Ripon	Somewhat concerned	Lack of water because of the draught.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	Again, I'm working for a living, and I don't pay attention to a lot of the issues.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I am really not concerned with any water issues. I wash my clothes, drink bottled water and I don't have a lawn to water, so it doesn't concern me.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	WATER ISSUES RESPONSE	COMMENT
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I don't care or know much about water issues.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I don't know about water issues. I already voted.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I don't know that much about the water issues.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I really don't know that much about the water issues. I just know we don't have much.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	It's dry, no rain. Nothing we can do about it.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	We have all these issues because the Republicans have caused all these problems.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	I don't have issues with water.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	I don't have any issues with the water or any concerns.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	I'm not really concerned about water issues.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	I'm not really concerned. However, I hear the lakes in Sacramento are really dry, and they are having a lot of issues there, but I don't see anything here.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	It's not that bad and it will rain eventually.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	No floods, I'm happy.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	Water levels are down, we can't make it rain, and life's too short to worry about something I have no control over.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	We have no water, but we can't make it rain.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	We have little to no water, but can't do anything about it, so there's no sense in stressing about it.
Stockton	Not very concerned	Any issues with the tunnels and the levees are not in this area, but we do have a bit of a drought.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	WATER ISSUES RESPONSE	COMMENT
Stockton	Not very concerned	From what I have read and researched, the levees and tunnels seem to be working, which means if we ever get a really good rain, we should be fine and not flood.
Stockton	Not very concerned	I don't think we're really having any issues other than no rain.
Stockton	Not very concerned	I don't think we're having any issues with water.
Stockton	Not very concerned	I mean, I don't know. I mean I can't make it rain and I guess we are in a drought but we're not being rationed, so it can't be that bad.
Stockton	Not very concerned	I really don't give the water issues much thought except when I get my water bill. I shower, do laundry, water plants, and basically do what I have to do without thinking too much about it. I don't overuse, at least I don't think so, it's just not on the top of my list. Eating and getting to work is much more important.
Stockton	Not very concerned	I think most everything seems to be doing ok regarding the water issues. It seems like the tunnels and levees are doing what they are supposed to do, whatever that is, and of course we could use rain, but that will come a little later, I hope.
Stockton	Not very concerned	I'm more worried about the fires and how we manage our forests.
Stockton	Not very concerned	I'm worried about fire issues more than water issues.
Stockton	Not very concerned	I'm surrounded by water and the delta tunnels. They seem to be working ok because I have not been flooded since I've been here.
Stockton	Not very concerned	It should be common knowledge we have a water shortage, but people don't care. We have to care about the environment and so we can get the rain we need.
Stockton	Not very concerned	It'll rain and then we'll have water, then it will dry up again. It's called weather.
Stockton	Not very concerned	That's something I have not given much thought to. We have not had any flooding to speak of, I don't know much about the levees or the delta tunnels, which I suppose is good, because if something was terribly wrong, I imagine I'd hear about it on the news, so I guess I would say, I'm not very concerned at all.
Stockton	Not very concerned	We have not had any rain in several months, at least not any that was worth anything. We can't do anything about that, since we can't make rain, so it's pointless to worry or be concerned.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	Everyone should be somewhat concerned and be thoughtful when they use water.

Table Continued



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	WATER ISSUES RESPONSE	COMMENT
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	Flooding.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	Flooding. I'm more concerned about flooding. We have not been flooded in our area, but it still concerns me. The levees are not anywhere near us.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	I don't drink the water here, so it is a bit of a concern.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	I don't know much about the water issues, just that I hear the levees need fixing.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	I don't think the water is drinkable.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	I worry a little about the levees.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	I'm concerned for the central valley that we have enough resources for fires.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	I'm worried about the drought.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	I'm worried because we are in a drought, doesn't look like we'll be getting rain anytime soon, and so I'm worried about the fires.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	It affects everybody, and everyone has concerns, but I'm not sure what to do about it.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	My community is concerned about the tunnels.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	The levees are a little of an issue.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	Things are really dry and there's no rain.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	We could really use some rain. I don't really know what else to say. We are dry, that is obvious.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	Well, I worry a little about the lack of water, and when someone in government suddenly decides we need to ration the water again. That doesn't work, as far as I can tell.
Stockton	Very concerned	Drought conditions are the biggest concern.
Stockton	Very concerned	Drought is my biggest concern.
Stockton	Very concerned	Drought, we don't have any water. We better pray for more because government sure can't make it rain.
Stockton	Very concerned	I do know that the water issues will impact the farm community immensely.

Table Continued



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	WATER ISSUES RESPONSE	COMMENT
Stockton	Very concerned	I'm very concerned about the lack of water.
Stockton	Very concerned	Sewer and water are separate bills and I wonder why. Also, why is it we have to conserve water use and they keep building new housing which will use more water.
Stockton	Very concerned	The issue I'm concerned with is overpricing. The way that they treat the water now is cheaper than what they did before, but each year it goes up 10%, 15%, 20%. They aren't doing anything else to the water system, upgrading it or anything like that, so why do they keep raising the rate? I think it's just greed.
Stockton	Very concerned	We are in a draught right now and with all the fires, I'm very worried.
Stockton	Very concerned	We are very worried about the drought and lack of water.
Stockton	Very concerned	We are in a draught, so yes that really concerns me, but then so do all the other water issues. Water is very important.
Stockton	Very concerned	We are in the middle of a drought, and our water bills have been going much higher for the last three years. Our incomes are not going up to compensate.
Stockton	Very concerned	We are out of water, and we need rain.
Stockton	Very concerned	We need water, everything is dry and in danger of fire.
Tracy	Not concerned at all	We have drought issues in our area that affect us for lawn watering, etc. Many people still water frivolously and do not conserve the water. The government could care more about that.
Tracy	Not very concerned	I am not concerned with any water issues.
Tracy	Not very concerned	I am not too involved in water issues.
Tracy	Not very concerned	I don't have any concerns with water issues.
Tracy	Not very concerned	I don't have any information on the water issues.
Tracy	Not very concerned	I don't really have any concerns about the water issues.
Tracy	Not very concerned	I feel like we have the same water problems as we have always had. As a regular homeowner, I just pay attention to water consumption. But I do know the farms and their workers
Tracy	Not very concerned	We don't have to worry about flooding where we are.

Table Continued



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	WATER ISSUES RESPONSE	COMMENT
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	Drought.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	Drought issues and the lack of rain.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	I am more concerned that we do not catch enough from the runoff from the Sierra Mountains. Too much goes to the ocean or sinks in. I think this should be better managed throughout the whole state. I am very much in favor of the farmers having all the water they need. The food supply is much more important.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	I remember the flooding of the San Joaquin River a few years ago. It wiped out some homes. And the levees didn't help.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	Our water quality is pretty poor.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	Our quality of water is very low compared to the national average.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	There are too many people. 50 million for a water system that was built to support 17 million folks.
Tracy	Very concerned	I am against the tunnels because they will replace the levees and negatively impact the farmers in the region.
Tracy	Very concerned	I am especially concerned about the drought issues. I am not opposed to the water being shipped to the bigger cities.
Tracy	Very concerned	I am very concerned about the county raising the prices on the water every time they can.
Tracy	Very concerned	It's always been a hot topic for California. We do not want to take the water from our farms and food and send it to the city. I am definitely not in favor of the tunnels they are proposing. If they take the water away from the farmers, then that will show up in everyone's food supply.
Tracy	Very concerned	Our home water bills are very high. We would like to see them going back to reasonable levels.
Tracy	Very concerned	The cost of water is out of control.
Tracy	Very concerned	The rising cost of water.
Tracy	Very concerned	We should have the water in our area stay here and not be shipped out to Southern California at all. We should store it better here.



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

**3a2) What improvement would you like to see?**

CITY	WATER ISSUE	RESPONSE
Escalon	Clean/ quality drinking water	Find a way to make sure the community has a clean water supply.
Lathrop	Clean/ quality drinking water	I'd like to have cleaner water. It seems to be way too hard and leaves a lot of residue.
Lodi	Clean/ quality drinking water	A bunch of homeless in Lodi that live upstream from water servicing treatment center. I don't appreciate city allowing homeless to use same drinking water for a restroom.
Lodi	Clean/ quality drinking water	I don't even know if it has to do with plan issues, plant management, where we are getting our water. Improvements would mean water quality would get better.
Manteca	Clean/ quality drinking water	Have someone find out the reason why the water filtering process is not what it should be.
Manteca	Clean/ quality drinking water	Make the water more drinkable.
Stockton	Clean/ quality drinking water	I think an engineer might be a better person to answer that.
Manteca	Delta tunnels	Safety for the residents is important. The levees should be stronger to prevent flooding and they should maintain the delta.
Tracy	Delta tunnels	Do not send the water to the cities. Keep it fair but makes sure the farmers get what they need. That's always first priority.
Tracy	Delta tunnels	If we have to pull water from deeper in the ground, there is a danger of bringing up old chemicals that have leached up from buried levels. We and our community are very big about organic food and organic water.
Tracy	Delta tunnels	Leave the water situation the way it is now.
Escalon	Drought/ Lack of Water	Use water wisely.
Escalon	Drought/ Lack of Water	We need continuing, steady water sources for our farming community.
Lathrop	Drought/ Lack of Water	Don't use so much water so it will not run low.
Lathrop	Drought/ Lack of Water	Encourage using less water.
Lathrop	Drought/ Lack of Water	I wonder, will there be enough water? I would like to see people be careful how they use water.
Lathrop	Drought/ Lack of Water	They can't make it rain so the only thing that can be done is to encourage conservation of water.
Lodi	Drought/ Lack of Water	Better government.

Table Continued



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	WATER ISSUE	RESPONSE
Lodi	Drought/ Lack of Water	Better water systems. I wish they had better ways to filtrate ocean water.
Lodi	Drought/ Lack of Water	Cutdown on water usage.
Lodi	Drought/ Lack of Water	I don't know. Not shipping our water down south.
Lodi	Drought/ Lack of Water	Just to have it scheduled out, instead of cutting us off and letting us know.
Lodi	Drought/ Lack of Water	More dams.
Lodi	Drought/ Lack of Water	More rain would be great, but there's nothing we can do about it. I'm not that aware of anything we can do, honestly.
Lodi	Drought/ Lack of Water	Rain.
Manteca	Drought/ Lack of Water	A lot of businesses wastewater on their landscaping because they don't keep their irrigation systems maintained correctly. In the early morning I see a lot of sprinklers wasting water because they are broken or misplaced. So, make sure irrigation systems are required to be maintained.
Manteca	Drought/ Lack of Water	I don't see very many water treatment plants compared to the population. Last year was fine but now they built another 12,000 houses which impacts the water supply.
Manteca	Drought/ Lack of Water	I would like to see efforts made around safety. There should be information out about flooding, back up plans and readily available information. When flooding hits there is often very little time for reaction.
Manteca	Drought/ Lack of Water	I would not like to see our water being sent to other parts of the state, especially when we our water usage is already limited. It doesn't make sense to me.
Manteca	Drought/ Lack of Water	Leave the bathrooms open for homeless people to use. If we have water, we will keep ourselves and the parks cleaner.
Manteca	Drought/ Lack of Water	Listen to the ideas that the community has. Be straight up and keep your campaign promises.
Manteca	Drought/ Lack of Water	The community should save water as much as they can.
Manteca	Drought/ Lack of Water	They need to find a way to get water to drought areas and keep the fires at bay.
Manteca	Drought/ Lack of Water	We need more water and cleaner water for the area.
Manteca	Drought/ Lack of Water	We need to cut down on our water use and save water.

Table Continued



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	WATER ISSUE	RESPONSE
Stockton	Drought/ Lack of Water	I don't know how to fix it except pray for rain.
Stockton	Drought/ Lack of Water	I don't know what anybody can do about the water. We are drying up big time.
Stockton	Drought/ Lack of Water	I would like to see more water conservation.
Stockton	Drought/ Lack of Water	Maybe if everybody would do their part and take shorter showers, water their lawns less, just sort of ration on their own. Maybe that would help a little. Also, when we do get rain, make sure our levees are working.
Stockton	Drought/ Lack of Water	Somehow find a way to harness the rainwater to keep it for the fire season.
Stockton	Drought/ Lack of Water	Stop building new houses until we get the water levels under control.
Stockton	Drought/ Lack of Water	The government should make sure that all the levees and tunnels they were working on will actually work. Hopefully they did their job. If they did not or if they cut corners, then they are the ones to be concerned.
Stockton	Drought/ Lack of Water	Thin the forest, clean up the heavy brush that grows on the ground and clean up the dead wood. Pick it up or offer it to those who need wood to keep warm.
Stockton	Drought/ Lack of Water	We need to find ways to capture the rainwater, harness it for the crops. Engineers could and should work on that so if we ever get a good rain or a good melt off from the snow in the higher elevations, we could be ready.
Lathrop	Flooding issues	I would like the water to be run by the state and not privately owned and sold. The large amount of calcium in the water causes pipes to have to be replaced too often.
Manteca	Flooding issues	Keep up with maintenance and building of the levees so that flooding is less likely to occur.
Tracy	Flooding issues	I think this would be helpful to have more focus on water activities and that would draw more people and tourists to the area. Livermore has a man-made lake, and it is a big draw for vacations and day trippers. We could do that, too.
Lodi	Levees	Taxpayer dollars spent on improving the levees.
Stockton	Levees	Could they be made stronger?
Stockton	Levees	I guess fix them.
Stockton	Levees	They need repair so use some of that gas tax and fix the levees. You're not doing anything with the roads, so what are they doing with the money.

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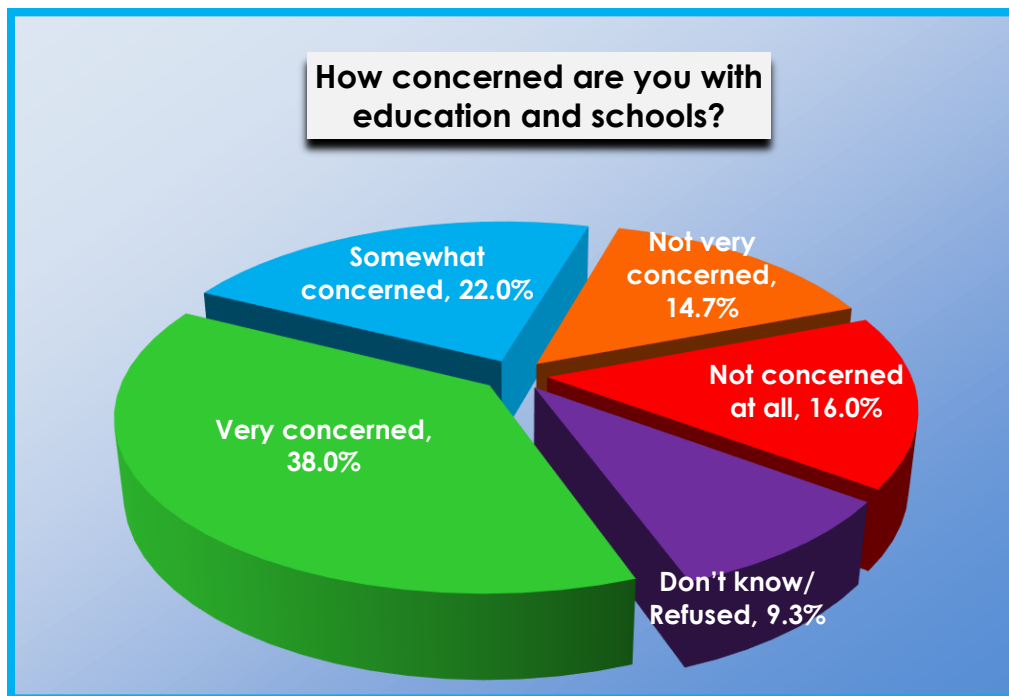
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CITY	WATER ISSUE	RESPONSE
Stockton	No issues/ concerns	I know it would be really nice if the county watered our parks and made them as green as they do on the North side. The parks on the North side are green, lush, well-kept and nice for the kids, but you don't do anything for the parks on the south side. Green parks on the south side would definitely be an improvement.
Stockton	No issues/ concerns	Pipeline to the ocean.
Stockton	No issues/ concerns	Spend the money to maintain the levees.
Stockton	Rising cost of water	Lower the rates.
Tracy	Rising cost of water	A cost reduction in water.
Tracy	Rising cost of water	I would really like them to offer the water for free. The water should be free because it would help families so much. The county just seems to want more money, higher taxes, etc., without paying attention to what people can actually afford. Poor people cannot afford to live here.
Escalon	Water for farming/ agriculture	Build some more reservoirs and create more water storage.
Lodi	Water for farming/ agriculture	I don't know the allocation, how they allocate to farmers. I don't know if they have private wells or if they are getting it from the canals, or channel. Would like to see allocation most going to produce the products that they are growing. Keep allocation to give them a healthy crop.
Manteca	Water for farming/ agriculture	Have enough water before they build more houses. Make sure there will be enough water for everyone.
Manteca	Water for farming/ agriculture	Take care of the farmers so they have water. And just so you know I am an electrical engineer, not a farmer saying this.

(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

**3b) Education and Schools.** How impacted are you by the education and school system? This could include overcrowding, quality of instruction, curriculum, lack of funding or resources, etc.

RESPONSE	TIMES MENTIONED	PERCENTAGES
<b>Very concerned</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>38.0%</b>
Somewhat concerned	66	22.0%
Not very concerned	44	14.7%
Not concerned at all	48	16.0%
Don't know/ Refused	28	9.3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>100%</b>





(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

**3b) Education and Schools. How impacted are you by the education and school system? This could include overcrowding, quality of instruction, curriculum, lack of funding or resources, etc.**

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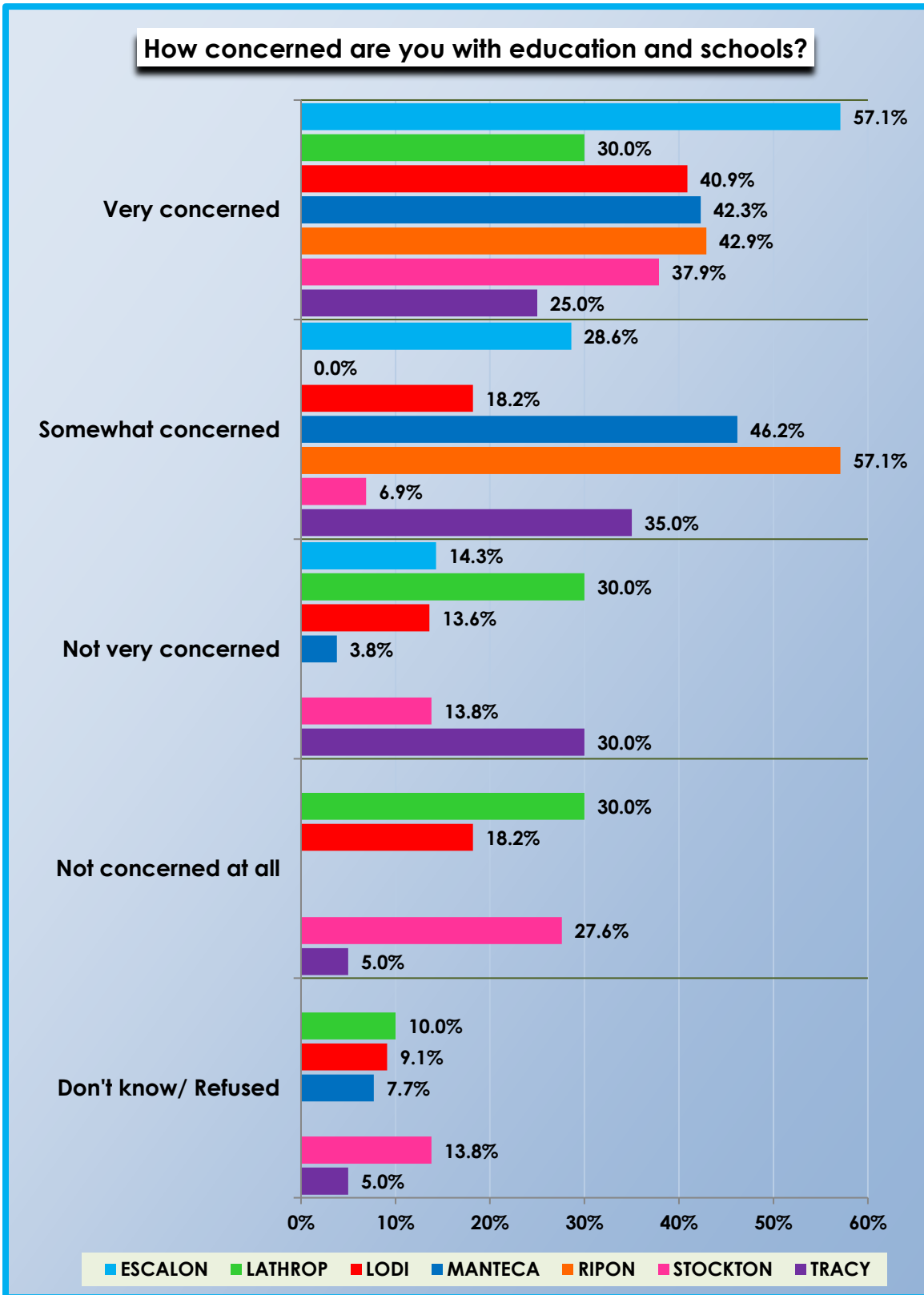
RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
Very concerned	8	6	18	22	6	44	10	114
Somewhat concerned	4	0	8	24	8	8	14	66
Not very concerned	2	6	6	2	0	16	12	44
Not concerned at all	0	6	8	0	0	32	2	48
Don't know/ Refused	0	2	4	4	0	16	2	28
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>300</b>

PERCENTAGES

RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
Very concerned	57.1%	30.0%	40.9%	42.3%	42.9%	37.9%	25.0%	38.0%
Somewhat concerned	28.6%	0.0%	18.2%	46.2%	57.1%	6.9%	35.0%	22.0%
Not very concerned	14.3%	30.0%	13.6%	3.8%	0.0%	13.8%	30.0%	14.7%
Not concerned at all	0.0%	30.0%	18.2%	0.0%	0.0%	27.6%	5.0%	16.0%
Don't know/ Refused	0.0%	10.0%	9.1%	7.7%	0.0%	13.8%	5.0%	9.3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")





(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

**3b1) Which education/school issue are you and your community most impacted by, and how?**

RESPONSE	TIMES MENTIONED	PERCENTAGES
<b>Quality of their education/ curriculum</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>42.0%</b>
Don't know/ Refused/ No response	90	30.0%
Overcrowding/ need smaller class sizes	40	13.3%
Quality of the school and their teachers	40	13.3%
Lack of funding for schools/ education	34	11.3%
COVID-19 concerns	28	9.3%
School choice for students	8	2.7%
School safety/ bullying	6	2.0%

\*300 responded to this question: 14-Escalon, 20-Lathrop, 44-Lodi, 52-Manteca, 14-Ripon, 116-Stockton, and 40-Tracy

Question allowed for more than one response

Percentages based on total number of respondents

*\*TIMES MENTIONED*

RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
Quality of their education/ curriculum	<b>8</b>	2	<b>16</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>54</b>	8	<b>126</b>
Don't know/ Refused/ No response	4	<b>12</b>	<b>16</b>	10	0	36	<b>12</b>	<b>90</b>
Overcrowding/ need smaller class sizes	0	4	8	16	0	4	8	<b>40</b>
Quality of the school and their teachers	4	2	2	4	2	18	8	<b>40</b>
Lack of funding for schools/ education	2	0	4	8	2	10	8	<b>34</b>
COVID-19 concerns	0	2	4	6	0	14	2	<b>28</b>
School choice for students	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	<b>8</b>
School safety/ bullying	0	0	0	2	0	4	0	<b>6</b>

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Question allowed for more than one response





(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

**\*PERCENTAGES**

RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
Quality of their education/ curriculum	<b>57.1%</b>	10.0%	<b>36.4%</b>	<b>50.0%</b>	<b>85.7%</b>	<b>46.6%</b>	20.0%	<b>42.0%</b>
Don't know/ Refused/ No response	28.6%	<b>60.0%</b>	<b>36.4%</b>	19.2%	0.0%	31.0%	<b>30.0%</b>	<b>30.0%</b>
Overcrowding/ need smaller class sizes	0.0%	20.0%	18.2%	30.8%	0.0%	3.4%	20.0%	<b>13.3%</b>
Quality of the school and their teachers	28.6%	10.0%	4.5%	7.7%	14.3%	15.5%	20.0%	<b>13.3%</b>
Lack of funding for schools/ education	14.3%	0.0%	9.1%	15.4%	14.3%	8.6%	20.0%	<b>11.3%</b>
COVID-19 concerns	0.0%	10.0%	9.1%	11.5%	0.0%	12.1%	5.0%	<b>9.3%</b>
School choice for students	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	28.6%	3.4%	0.0%	<b>2.7%</b>
School safety/ bullying	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3.8%	0.0%	3.4%	0.0%	<b>2.0%</b>

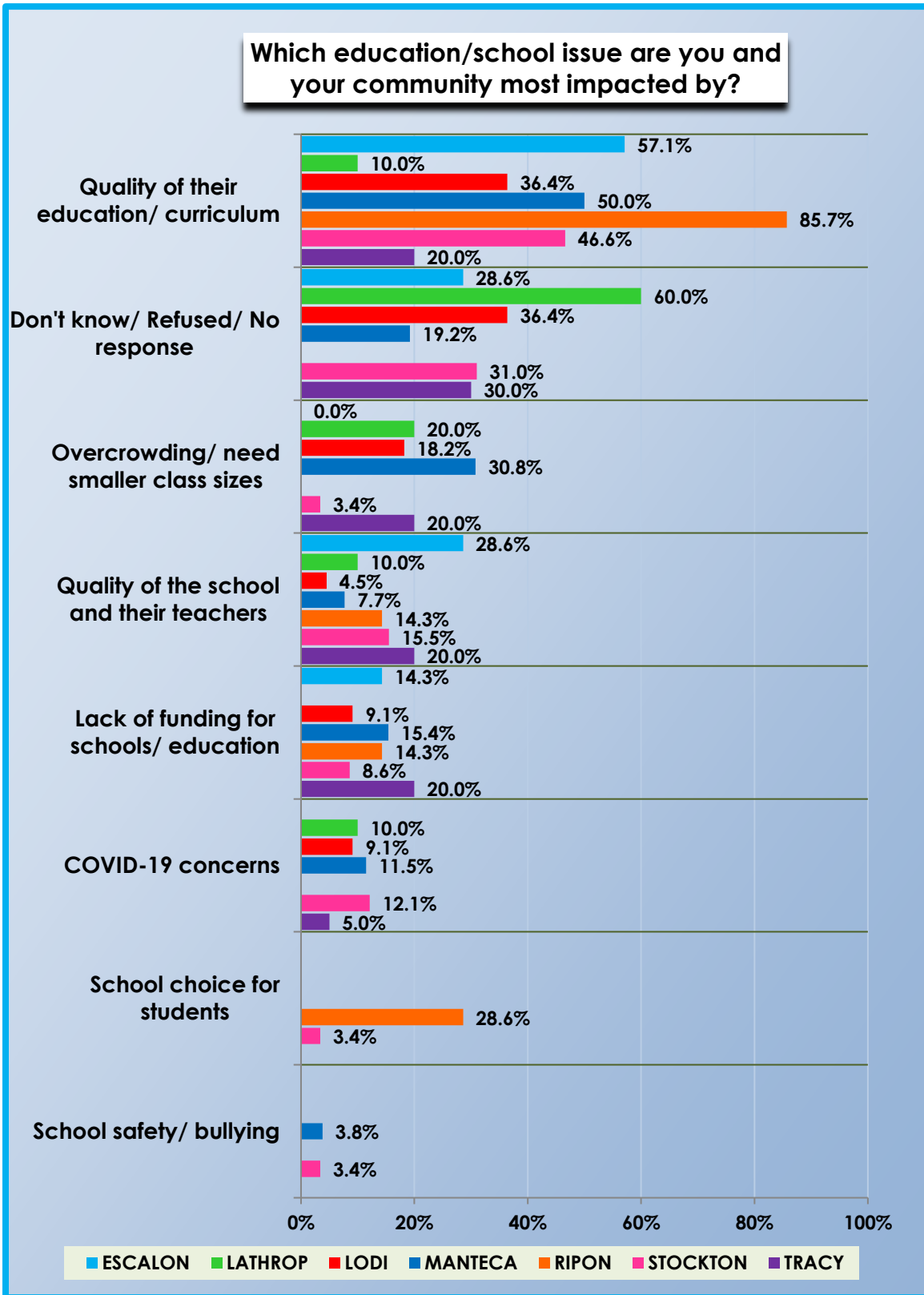
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Question allowed for more than one response

Percentages based on number of respondents



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")





(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

**ADDITIONAL COMMENTS**

CITY	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS RESPONSE	COMMENT
Escalon	Not very concerned	My kids are not in school yet, so I don't know much about this area yet.
Escalon	Somewhat concerned	I have grandchildren in school and two friends on the school board.
Escalon	Very concerned	Lack of funding for a proper education is the biggest issue.
Escalon	Very concerned	Lack of funding for schools.
Escalon	Very concerned	Overregulation and lack of local control over the education system.
Escalon	Very concerned	Swimming and the pools should be more available.
Escalon	Very concerned	They need to be teaching more about real world stuff such as 401k's, retirement, and checkbook balancing.
Escalon	Very concerned	They need to be teaching with a better curriculum, so the students get a much better education.
Lathrop	Not concerned at all	The schools are doing pretty good on our end, so I am not really concerned about them.
Lathrop	Not concerned at all	The schools are fine by me.
Lathrop	Not very concerned	Kids need to be in school rather than learning at home with no face-to-face contact with teachers.
Lathrop	Very concerned	I am concerned with overcrowding in the schools and ensuring we are preparing students for college.
Lathrop	Very concerned	Make improvements that help teachers.
Lathrop	Very concerned	Make improvements that help teachers.
Lathrop	Very concerned	Overcrowding.
Lathrop	Very concerned	Overcrowding in the schools impacts us.
Lodi	Not concerned at all	I'm not concerned.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS RESPONSE	COMMENT
Lodi	Not concerned at all	I'm not worried about schools or educational issues.
Lodi	Not concerned at all	Not concerned.
Lodi	Not concerned at all	Not impacted.
Lodi	Not very concerned	I don't know.
Lodi	Not very concerned	My children are grown. I don't have a player in the field anymore.
Lodi	Not very concerned	My children have graduated.
Lodi	Not very concerned	Too many students, not enough teacher ratio. Overcrowding.
Lodi	Not very concerned	Too overcrowded at all schools.
Lodi	Somewhat concerned	Everyone should be going to school in-person.
Lodi	Somewhat concerned	Except for social distancing, I prefer in-person learning to online learning. In-person learning is important.
Lodi	Somewhat concerned	I don't like the curriculum the schools are using these days.
Lodi	Somewhat concerned	I don't like the curriculum they are teaching students.
Lodi	Somewhat concerned	My kids go to Lodi School District, which is overcrowded. There are houses popping up so overcrowding will only get worse. We need more funding to build more schools
Lodi	Somewhat concerned	My kid's school is so overcrowded.
Lodi	Somewhat concerned	Quality of curriculum
Lodi	Somewhat concerned	The curriculum they are teaching could be better.
Lodi	Very concerned	Buy resources. Sometimes they say they have it, but then they don't.
Lodi	Very concerned	Curriculum. <i>(mentioned 4 times)</i>

Table Continued



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS RESPONSE	COMMENT
Lodi	Very concerned	Curriculum and teaching critical race theory.
Lodi	Very concerned	Curriculum. Children are not learning. I understand COVID was there. It's still not what they should be learning.
Lodi	Very concerned	I don't know if the curriculum we're teaching are children is of good quality.
Lodi	Very concerned	I worry because of COVID-19, students are not getting the proper education.
Lodi	Very concerned	I worry kids are falling behind because of COVID.
Lodi	Very concerned	I'm concerned about the quality of the curriculum being taught.
Lodi	Very concerned	I'm very concerned about what is being taught.
Lodi	Very concerned	It seems to be an ongoing issue. Not the teachers so much, curriculum I don't agree with including health education, addressing abortion, not in favor of that. Kids shouldn't be facing that from a teacher, that should be taught in the home.
Lodi	Very concerned	Overcrowding.
Lodi	Very concerned	Overcrowding is a big issue.
Lodi	Very concerned	Very crowded. A few years ago, less crowded. Now all classes are loaded from the students. I think they need to work on this.
Lodi	Very concerned	Very overcrowded classrooms. It's hard for teachers to teach so many students.
Manteca	Not very concerned	Overcrowding and underpaid teachers impact our community. I just happen to have resources to be able to have my children in private school.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	Because of the pandemic, I am concerned about students receiving more help.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	I am concerned about students getting behind in their schooling.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	I am concerned about the curriculum they are teaching.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	I am concerned about the curriculum changes.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	I think the quality of the teachers at each school should be better.

Table Continued



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS RESPONSE	COMMENT
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	I worry that the quality of the teachers isn't as high as it should be.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	I'm concerned about the schools teaching critical race theory.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	I'm very concerned about students learning critical race theory.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	Our children are missing out on a quality education.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	Our children need to receive a better education.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	Overcrowding. <i>(mentioned 2 times)</i>
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	Overcrowding is a problem. The county is growing but not building schools fast enough to accommodate all the students. Also, there is a lack of resources.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	Overcrowding is the issue I am most aware of because the school closest to me is overcrowded.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	Some of the students don't want to learn.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	Teachers are good.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	The curriculum isn't very good.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	The distance my daughter has to travel to receive the elementary curriculum we like impacts me.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	The education system is a bitter pill to me. When I was raising kids for 30 years it didn't matter where in California students went to school, if you made a complaint, they would close ranks and protect the system rather than respond to the complaint.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	The schools are lacking resources.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	The lack of funds has the biggest impact.
Manteca	Very concerned	COVID has really impacted us with children having to be homeschooled. It has been hard to get them back on track. The homeschooling was disastrous for one of my sons.
Manteca	Very concerned	I am a retired principal and curriculum issues probably concern me the most. I hear there is very little homework, and the curriculum does not seem to be well-structured.

Table Continued



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS RESPONSE	COMMENT
Manteca	Very concerned	I am interested in one thing - teacher bullying. No one brings that up. Some of them bully students and treat kids really bad.
Manteca	Very concerned	I am worried about all the bullying going on in schools.
Manteca	Very concerned	I don't have any children, but schools are still important to our community.
Manteca	Very concerned	I don't have children myself, but the kids not being in school in-person is a big issue.
Manteca	Very concerned	I think kids should be learning in-person and not online.
Manteca	Very concerned	Overcrowding. <i>(mentioned 4 times)</i>
Manteca	Very concerned	Overcrowding is hard for kids.
Manteca	Very concerned	Overcrowding, quality of instruction, curriculum and lack of funding and resources are all impactful.
Manteca	Very concerned	The classes are too large to give enough help to students who need more help.
Manteca	Very concerned	We are impacted by overcrowding. Also, the type of education is not broad enough. The curriculum is too simple and not broad enough such as in history.
Manteca	Very concerned	We are worried our kids are behind in their education because of COVID.
Manteca	Very concerned	With the way they operated during COVID I don't think kids learned enough. It's hard to concentrate from home. A lot of parents had a hard time.
Ripon	Somewhat concerned	I'm concerned about funding.
Ripon	Somewhat concerned	I'm concerned about the quality of the schools and would like school choice. I would like to be able to get my tax money to pick the school of my choice.
Ripon	Somewhat concerned	Indoctrination - stop indoctrinating our children one way or the other. Leave that type of education to the parents. The blacks are not oppressed, and the whites are not the oppressors.
Ripon	Somewhat concerned	The curriculum.
Ripon	Somewhat concerned	The curriculum being taught.

Table Continued



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS RESPONSE	COMMENT
Ripon	Somewhat concerned	The curriculum that is being taught and the quality of the teachers that is doing the teaching. Do they lean toward CRT, if so, then that would be extremely concerning to me.
Ripon	Very concerned	Curriculum. (mentioned 5)
Ripon	Very concerned	I have small children, and the schools and how they are run and what they are teaching is very important to me.
Ripon	Very concerned	Some of the newer teaching theories that are out there. I'm not impacted by it, but I am concerned by what I hear and see.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I don't have children in school anymore, so I don't think about it and really, I don't care about it.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I think the teachers are not getting enough money, but they have too much time off.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I used to worry about the children's education, but I don't have kids in school anymore, and I don't know what is going on there, so I have no opinion.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I'm 70 years old and that does not affect me at all.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I'm 80 years old and I don't have any children in the schools so I wouldn't know.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	No children so I have no idea.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	I don't have anyone in school anymore.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	I don't have anything to do with the public schools. They closed so I went to the next level to get my children in school, and I went to homeschool. My children are doing great with the curriculum we choose together, they are getting straight A's in math, reading comprehension, science, language, and we actually teach real history, not the woke stuff.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	I don't have children.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	I don't have kids, so it doesn't affect me.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	It's bad now, but the democrats will fix it all before the end of the year.

Table Continued





(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS RESPONSE	COMMENT
Stockton	Not concerned at all	My child is in school, face to face, and it's okay. I don't know much about what is going on in school, but my son is doing good.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	My children are in private school.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	My daughter is off to college.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	My kids go to an excellent school, so I have no concerns.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	My kids go to private school.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	My son goes to a private school, and he is doing just great.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	No children.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	No children, no school issues.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	No kids, but if I did have kids in school, I would be very concerned. They kids are not learning anything worth anything in school. Kids don't know how to write, just print. How can they provide a signature or sign a check? Kids can't read, can't count, that's for sure. If they didn't have a calculator, they would not be able to tell you how much 2 plus 2 is. It is very sad what we are doing to our children. Very sad indeed.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	There is a school across the street from us, but I don't have children in school anymore. My grandkids go to different schools.
Stockton	Not very concerned	Because of COVID, I put our children in private school because they remained open. I guess I can be grateful for COVID, because I wouldn't have changed schools had it not been for that. My children are getting a good education, too bad the public schools are not doing as well.
Stockton	Not very concerned	I don't have any children in school.

Table Continued



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS RESPONSE	COMMENT
Stockton	Not very concerned	I don't have any children in school, but I am always in favor of good schools, and making sure the kids have a good curriculum.
Stockton	Not very concerned	I don't know anything about the schools.
Stockton	Not very concerned	I don't know about the public school system. My children go to a private school since they closed down the schools because of COVID. I want my children to succeed, not fall an entire year behind.
Stockton	Not very concerned	I don't like how they're teaching certain subjects. Go back to the way they used to teach math and other subjects.
Stockton	Not very concerned	I don't think they're properly teaching everything how they used to.
Stockton	Not very concerned	I don't think the schools are good at all.
Stockton	Not very concerned	I don't think the schools are very good, but they have to go anyway.
Stockton	Not very concerned	I think it's getting better.
Stockton	Not very concerned	The curriculum.
Stockton	Not very concerned	The curriculum they are teaching.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	I don't think our children are being taught the right way, what with this CRT stuff and all the Black Lives Matter stuff. Why is it only one color is important? What's wrong with all the other colors?
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	I'm just worried about the way they are teaching our children today. That CRT stuff is all wrong and that has to stop.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	I'm just worried about what they are teaching.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	The education is a big mess.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	The education they are teaching.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	The schools are doing alright.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	The schools are doing okay as long as they keep masks on the kids and make sure the teachers are vaccinated and wearing masks.
Stockton	Very concerned	Education in this county is not very good so I take my child to Alameda County for school.

Table Continued



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS RESPONSE	COMMENT
Stockton	Very concerned	Education is poor.
Stockton	Very concerned	Funding.
Stockton	Very concerned	Funding for kids for school choice.
Stockton	Very concerned	I believe something is drastically wrong with our education system.
Stockton	Very concerned	I believe we must look into a different way to educate our children. Why are we 25th in reading and down to the bottom in math?
Stockton	Very concerned	I do have kids in school right now. I think they are doing better with the overcrowding. Now many classes are down to 15 to 20 students because of part-time school now for COVID. This is an improvement.
Stockton	Very concerned	I do think schools can always use more funding.
Stockton	Very concerned	I don't think the education of our children is all that great, from what I hear. I don't know firsthand, nor do I want to know, but from what I hear, it's horrible and that makes me sad because all those children are our future and they have lost so much already.
Stockton	Very concerned	I don't think the education is very good at all.
Stockton	Very concerned	I'm concerned about the curriculum.
Stockton	Very concerned	I'm concerned about the curriculum and COVID.
Stockton	Very concerned	I'm concerned about the curriculum they are teaching.
Stockton	Very concerned	I'm very concerned with the type of education and curriculum they are teaching our children today. This business of CRT and BLM. Why would you want to actually teach our children to hate each other? Our children were not racist until they were taught to be racist. Teach them to read, to earn a living, to balance a checkbook and to write. Teach them that America is not perfect, we made mistakes, but we are a loving country. Teach them there is a God who tells us to love each other, not to hate.
Stockton	Very concerned	Money and curriculum.
Stockton	Very concerned	Mostly the curriculum.

Table Continued



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS RESPONSE	COMMENT
Stockton	Very concerned	My concern is the bullying that happens.
Stockton	Very concerned	My concern is for the safety of students and bullying that happens.
Stockton	Very concerned	None of the funding goes to the actual schools, so where does it go, and why is there never enough for the schools. Maybe the teacher's union should give some of it back.
Stockton	Very concerned	Our children are growing up to be idiots, and the schools are more concerned about if 1st graders think they are boys when they actually have girl body parts, and visa-versa, and should they use they instead of him or her, or maybe our children are an it now. Who knows, you can't keep up with all that crap. Do the kids know how to add and subtract? NO. I just tried to hire a teenager and that child did not even know how to communicate. What are we doing to our children?
Stockton	Very concerned	Safety.
Stockton	Very concerned	Safety and the school ratings.
Stockton	Very concerned	Teachers trying to teach students during COVID with masks, social distancing, and at times virtually.
Stockton	Very concerned	The education is bad, kids need to be in school with no masks. They have basically lost two years of study while China flourishes.
Stockton	Very concerned	The curriculum they are teaching.
Stockton	Very concerned	The garbage they are teaching our children.
Stockton	Very concerned	The kids don't learn anything in school except that they are all perfect and everybody owes them everything for free.
Stockton	Very concerned	The public schools are worthless. We need more private schools, school choice, and religious schools that actually teach values and love of country, ours, America.
Stockton	Very concerned	The schools don't teach anymore.
Stockton	Very concerned	The schools indoctrinate students, so I'm homeschooling my children. I don't want them to hate people and I don't want them to see color, I want them to see people and to see the good and the bad.
Stockton	Very concerned	We need more charter schools, especially on the south side.

Table Continued



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS RESPONSE	COMMENT
Stockton	Very concerned	We need school choice.
Stockton	Very concerned	Well, a bunch of Mexican kids came into our area and then they closed down the schools. All those kids, who really need an education, now don't have it and Gavin did a lot of damage to those children by keeping them from getting the education they deserved. Our legal children and the illegal children lost way too much because our government is stupid.
Stockton	Very concerned	Yes, I am concerned about the education, which is why I send my child to a private religious school.
Tracy	Not concerned at all	I don't have any kids, so I am not concerned with these.
Tracy	Not very concerned	I have one teenager in high school right now.
Tracy	Not very concerned	My father was a teacher at a charter school and that was a good example of a school that knew how to budget well.
Tracy	Not very concerned	My kids are grown now. I still think keeping good schools are very important especially for those moving into the area. Get distinguished schools and that will be a draw to bring good people in.
Tracy	Not very concerned	My kids are grown.
Tracy	Not very concerned	My kids are grown. I have grandchildren in Alameda County.
Tracy	Not very concerned	My kids are all graduated and in college.
Tracy	Not very concerned	No issues.
Tracy	Not very concerned	None.
Tracy	Not very concerned	We don't have any kids.
Tracy	Not very concerned	We don't have kids in school right now.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	I do think the schools are very overcrowded.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	I do have kids in school right now. I would like to see the overcrowding reduced and, to get more funding for their programs.

Table Continued



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS RESPONSE	COMMENT
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	I don't have kids, but I am concerned about the curriculum.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	I don't have kids in school, but I do have grandkids. I am concerned about the curriculum. They are teaching separation and discrimination and division in the groups of kids. Critical Race Theory is a divisive theory. Clearly, two wrongs don't make a right. Just many changes from the way we were taught when we were in school.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	I have kids in private schools.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	I think the public schools need to go back to being full-time open. And the mandated vaccines for teachers have led to a shortage of teachers. And they don't have enough substitutes to cover, either.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	I think they need more schools to help with overcrowding.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	I think they need to build more schools to help with the overcrowding, especially with all the new houses being built.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	I'm worried about the quality of the teachers teaching our children.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	I'm worried what teachers are teaching our children.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	My kids are grown up and in college now. I am still concerned about the curriculum they are offering. Many things are harder for no reason. More complicated curriculum, without really good reasons.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	The quality of the teachers in the schools.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	The lack of knowledgeable teachers is my concern.
Tracy	Very concerned	Get more funding for schools.
Tracy	Very concerned	Helping get disabled funding or getting help for new kids. It would be too easy to get lost in a bigger county's funding desires.
Tracy	Very concerned	I have three children in the public schools. I see that the education quality needs to be improved. One of the things I am most concerned about is that younger children are being taught about older topics, and adult subjects. I would like them to be more age appropriate, like talking about drugs to third graders. This is too young and eight-year-olds don't comprehend yet these types of issues.

Table Continued



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS RESPONSE	COMMENT
Tracy	Very concerned	I have issues with the quality of the education.
Tracy	Very concerned	I have issues with overcrowding. They need to build more schools.
Tracy	Very concerned	I have one daughter in school, just started this year. Her classroom is small, which I like. And the schools definitely need more help with funding, especially.
Tracy	Very concerned	My concerns are with the curriculum.
Tracy	Very concerned	My kids are grown, but I have grandchildren that will be going to school next year. I am a volunteer for the school system. I am very concerned about the curriculum and forcing junior high kids to choose a pathway, and this is way too early. This is counterproductive and forces them to make choices too soon. They should be much more generalized studies until 11th or 12th grade and, if everything is on the computer, it's too easy for some kids to let others do their work.
Tracy	Very concerned	We have schools that are way too overcrowded.
Tracy	Very concerned	We have way too many kids in the Tracy school system. That increases traffic and the new homes going in need new schools to support them.



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

**3b2) What improvement would you like to see?**

CITY	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS ISSUE	RESPONSE
Lathrop	COVID-19 concerns	If students have to end up learning from home again, they need to come up with a new strategy that improves learning.
Lodi	COVID-19 concerns	Just my kids take part in after-school programs, more field trips, more money for music, more money for photography. Music programs are very important. They are now non-existent, minimal in Lodi, San Joaquin. My son was never offered to play music and he's in 7th grade. I hope my daughter will have the opportunity in 4th grade as I had.
Manteca	COVID-19 concerns & Quality of their education/ curriculum	Have more readily available staff for one-on-one instruction for students who really need that help. There should be staff they know they could turn to if they want to seek extra help.
Manteca	COVID-19 concerns & Quality of their education/ curriculum	I would like to see smaller class sizes so students can do better. I think this was evident when classes were smaller for social distancing. I'm also not a fan of later start times.
Manteca	COVID-19 concerns & Quality of their education/ curriculum	Try to find some way that the kids have access to the education they need.
Stockton	COVID-19 concerns & Quality of their education/ curriculum	Change all those in charge, change the curriculum, and let the children be children.
Stockton	COVID-19 concerns & Quality of their education/ curriculum	Take the masks off and let the children be children and shut down CRT.
Stockton	COVID-19 concerns & Quality of their education/ curriculum	Teach our children in schools, face to face.
Lodi	Lack of funding for schools/ education	Just better information, get the resources on track to make sure we are better informed.
Manteca	Lack of funding for schools/ education	I would like to see higher wages for teachers.
Tracy	Lack of funding for schools/ education	Follow the example of the charter schools.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS ISSUE	RESPONSE
Tracy	Lack of funding for schools/ education	If the schools in both counties agree on curriculum, then it would help both, but if they are at odds or focused on different priorities, that would water down what we are doing, or it would take away from what another county has worked really hard to get. For example, if Sacramento County has more money for disabled folks, but now we are in the same district, we would take some of their money from them and that's not really fair at all. Keeping the counties separate is better.
Lodi	Lack of funding for schools/ education & Overcrowding/ need smaller class sizes	More funding for new schools.
Manteca	Lack of funding for schools/ education & Overcrowding/ need smaller class sizes	Hopefully they will decide to have smaller class sizes.
Manteca	Lack of funding for schools/ education & Overcrowding/ need smaller class sizes	Pay teachers well so we get more quality teachers and provide additional resources for extracurricular activities and quality classes, especially technology.
Stockton	Lack of funding for schools/ education & Quality of the school and their teachers	Maybe school should be longer, more days, and maybe pay the teachers just a little more.
Escalon	Lack of funding for schools/ education & Quality of their education/ curriculum	Overcrowding can be overwhelming for both students and teachers. Smaller class sizes should be implemented.
Manteca	Lack of funding for schools/ education & Quality of their education/ curriculum & Overcrowding/ need smaller class sizes	All educational issues need to be resolved for the sake of our children.

Table Continued



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS ISSUE	RESPONSE
Stockton	Lack of funding for schools/ education & Quality of their education/ curriculum	It does not affect me, but it does affect my son and his children. They need to put more money into the system, it's been suffering for quite some time. They also should get more up to date with technology because of distance learning which might have to come back and get a better curriculum and content. Revamp the curriculum and teach the kids how to write, count, read and balance a checkbook. Teach the kids they will have to pay bills when they grow up, so they need to have a job.
Ripon	Lack of funding for schools/ education & School choice for students	School choice.
Stockton	Lack of funding for schools/ education & School choice for students	School choice where kids can learn how to read.
Lodi	Overcrowding/ need smaller class sizes	Basic quality-wise, not put too much pressure on teachers, limit number of students in the class.
Lodi	Overcrowding/ need smaller class sizes	More schools or added classrooms. Teachers would be great, but I don't see that happening.
Lodi	Overcrowding/ need smaller class sizes	More schools. Smaller classes.
Manteca	Overcrowding/ need smaller class sizes	Give more help to the kids who need more assistance.
Manteca	Overcrowding/ need smaller class sizes	Keep class sizes smaller.
Manteca	Overcrowding/ need smaller class sizes	They need to add more buildings or more classrooms.
Tracy	Overcrowding/ need smaller class sizes	I think they need to build more schools to help with the overcrowding, especially with all the new houses being built.
Stockton	Overcrowding/ need smaller class sizes & Quality of the school and their teachers	I would like to see the same amount of money coming to the South side as goes to the north side. The people of the South side pay taxes just like the ones on the North side. I'm a homeowner and I pay taxes on my property, so maybe some of my property tax money could go toward a charter school, or green grass in a park.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS ISSUE	RESPONSE
Tracy	Overcrowding/ need smaller class sizes & Quality of the school and their teachers	Stop doing this.
Lathrop	Overcrowding/ need smaller class sizes & Quality of their education/ curriculum	Educate students on things that they will need for the rest of their lives no matter what career they choose.
Manteca	Overcrowding/ need smaller class sizes & Quality of their education/ curriculum	I would like to see the curriculum changed to include a broader range of topics. We also need more extracurricular options than just sports, especially more opportunities in the arts.
Manteca	Overcrowding/ need smaller class sizes & Quality of their education/ curriculum	Put good moral standards into education and improve the quality. Smaller class sizes and more individual attention would help.
Escalon	Quality of the school and their teachers	There should be more availability of swimming and the pools for students.
Lathrop	Quality of the school and their teachers	The high school is very good.
Tracy	Quality of the school and their teachers	I would also like to see them create/build a community center that could include a Boys and Girls Club to help them after school and stay out of trouble. Have a family-friendly community, safe and good for the kids.
Tracy	Quality of the school and their teachers	They need more discipline, good morals and less bullying and good morals. They need to start praying again.
Escalon	Quality of the school and their teachers & Quality of their education/ curriculum	I am a teacher in the district, and I want the district to allow teachers to have much more autonomy. We should not just follow along with the whole state but should have much more say in what we are offering our students.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS ISSUE	RESPONSE
Lodi	Quality of the school and their teachers & Quality of their education/ curriculum	I would like the school boards to be more open to addressing the health education issue, especially, looking for other curriculum, other sources of education there is a ton of it out there. I would like to see that buildings are kept up to code and have enough funding to improve on the desks, shelving, books, whatever their needs are not covered through the facility management and educational tools.
Manteca	Quality of the school and their teachers & Quality of their education/ curriculum	Teachers and administrators need to accept responsibility for mistakes they have made and things they do wrong.
Ripon	Quality of the school and their teachers & Quality of their education/ curriculum	School choice if possible, or cameras in the classroom.
Stockton	Quality of the school and their teachers & Quality of their education/ curriculum	If you want your children to be intelligent human beings, homeschool them.
Stockton	Quality of the school and their teachers & Quality of their education/ curriculum	More school choice and let the money go with the families, not to the so-called teachers' unions.
Stockton	Quality of the school and their teachers & School safety/ bullying	The ratings are low, kids are not safe, so they need to do a lot more for the schools. I don't know if more money will fix it, but maybe try teaching the kids about English, reading, how to right and how to count. They don't need to know about color, most if not all the kids see color and up until now, they never paid attention - they didn't care what color their friend was, they only cared that it was a friend.
Escalon	Quality of their education/ curriculum	Curriculum improvements to teach real world skills like balancing a checkbook.
Escalon	Quality of their education/ curriculum	I want continuing focus on good quality education.
Lodi	Quality of their education/ curriculum	Get a different curriculum.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS ISSUE	RESPONSE
Lodi	Quality of their education/ curriculum	More funding.
Lodi	Quality of their education/ curriculum	Stop teaching it.
Lodi	Quality of their education/ curriculum	Teaching our children better. How to live and make it in this world
Manteca	Quality of their education/ curriculum	I would like to see students have more reading of the arts and classics.
Manteca	Quality of their education/ curriculum	Improved curriculum should be available in all of the elementary schools.
Manteca	Quality of their education/ curriculum	Stop teaching critical race theory.
Manteca	Quality of their education/ curriculum	There should be more discipline for students. Higher dress standards should be implemented. I am from Fiji, and I know students are more serious about school when they are expected to dress nicely.
Manteca	Quality of their education/ curriculum	They need more stability in the curriculum. It seems like they implement new curriculum too often and the teachers haven't been adequately trained on it before they have to start teaching it.
Ripon	Quality of their education/ curriculum	Keep government out of schools.
Ripon	Quality of their education/ curriculum	Not to teach the new things like critical race theory. We are not a racist country.
Ripon	Quality of their education/ curriculum	Qualified teachers willing to teach the truth, not CRT.
Stockton	Quality of their education/ curriculum	Better and proper education, like reading, writing, math and science; and not the science of the body, because I believe if a body has girl parts, then that's a girl, and if a body has boy parts, then that body is a boy.
Stockton	Quality of their education/ curriculum	Better teachers and better curriculum.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS ISSUE	RESPONSE
Stockton	Quality of their education/ curriculum	Charter schools and school choice.
Stockton	Quality of their education/ curriculum	Complete government change, top to bottom.
Stockton	Quality of their education/ curriculum	Fire the school board.
Stockton	Quality of their education/ curriculum	I don't have any faith in the school district or any of the board members. They don't accomplish anything, they sit there at meetings which is a complete waste of time, including mine, so if they don't do anything, I'm done with it.
Stockton	Quality of their education/ curriculum	School choice might help, charter schools would be a start.
Stockton	Quality of their education/ curriculum	Teach the children the basics and stop worrying about their gender.
Stockton	Quality of their education/ curriculum	Teach the kids to read, write, add and subtract. I'd say multiply and divide, but that's asking too much.
Stockton	Quality of their education/ curriculum	The public school system should look into the catholic teaching system (without the religious aspect) and between the two, create an excellent curriculum. Then find the excellent teachers willing to do the work.
Tracy	Quality of their education/ curriculum	I also would like to see more counseling at the schools for the kids, especially at the high school level, for the children's health and safety, especially around sex ed and contraception. This can affect their health in later years, and children need to have more guidance with these areas.
Tracy	Quality of their education/ curriculum	I think we should simplify and not add more just for sake of adding more for experiment's sake. Stick to the basics.
Tracy	Quality of their education/ curriculum	Take out any curriculum that emphasizes the bad guys from the past. Focus more on tolerance for all in the present.
Tracy	Quality of their education/ curriculum	We did have more checks and balances years ago. We need to create ways to bring back books into schools, paper testing, handwritten essays. And, not to put so much pressure on young minds to figure out their whole life when they are 13 and 14.

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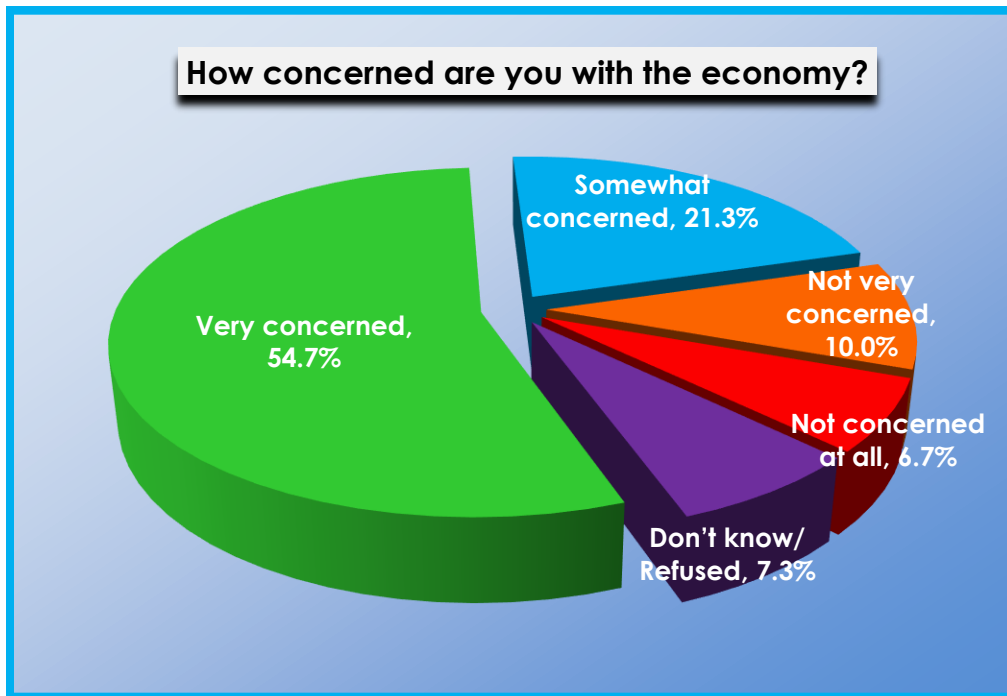
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CITY	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS ISSUE	RESPONSE
Ripon	Quality of their education/ curriculum & School choice for students	School choice for one, and then in-person classes with no masks.
Stockton	School choice for students	We want more school choice.
Manteca	School safety/ bullying	Stop teachers bullying students. Leave your personal agenda at home. Treat every student exactly the same way and really well no matter their background, race, etc. Just plain stop and do your job and teach. They are children. I am extremely passionate about children. They are gifts and treat them as such.
Stockton	School safety/ bullying	I would like to see training for the teachers to handle extreme personalities and situations because one of my sons was bullied by a teacher.

(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

**3c) Economy. Examples include job market, housing affordability, rent, and commuting to and from work.**

RESPONSE	TIMES MENTIONED	PERCENTAGES
<b>Very concerned</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>54.7%</b>
Somewhat concerned	64	21.3%
Not very concerned	30	10.0%
Not concerned at all	20	6.7%
Don't know/ Refused	22	7.3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>100%</b>







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**3c) Economy. Examples include job market, housing affordability, rent, and commuting to and from work.**

TIMES MENTIONED

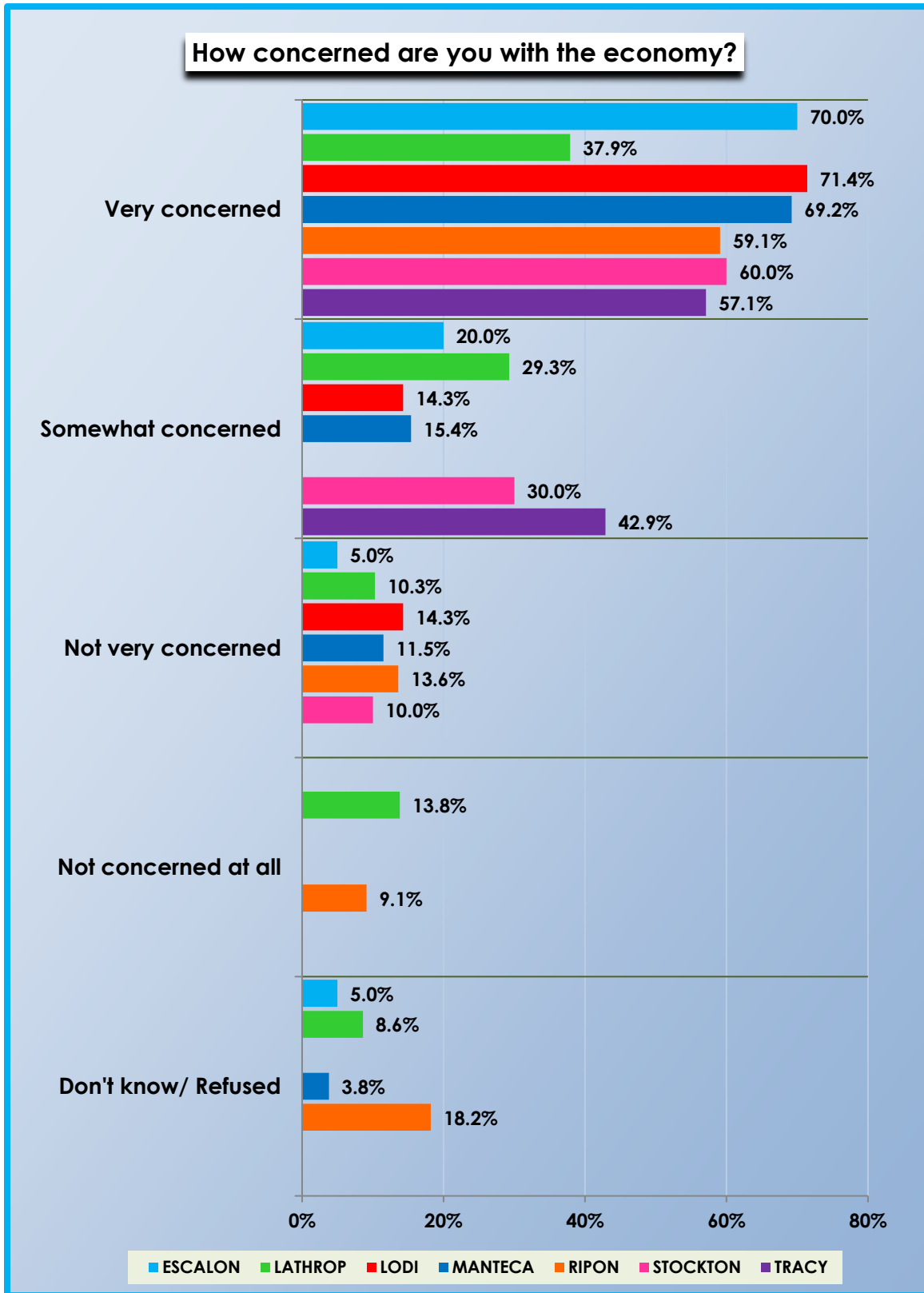
RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
<b>Very concerned</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>164</b>
Somewhat concerned	6	6	0	8	2	34	8	<b>64</b>
Not very concerned	0	2	6	6	2	12	2	<b>30</b>
Not concerned at all	0	0	4	0	0	16	0	<b>20</b>
Don't know/ Refused	0	0	8	2	0	10	2	<b>22</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>300</b>

PERCENTAGES

RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
<b>Very concerned</b>	<b>57.1%</b>	<b>60.0%</b>	<b>59.1%</b>	<b>69.2%</b>	<b>71.4%</b>	<b>37.9%</b>	<b>70.0%</b>	<b>54.7%</b>
Somewhat concerned	42.9%	30.0%	0.0%	15.4%	14.3%	29.3%	20.0%	<b>21.3%</b>
Not very concerned	0.0%	10.0%	13.6%	11.5%	14.3%	10.3%	5.0%	<b>10.0%</b>
Not concerned at all	0.0%	0.0%	9.1%	0.0%	0.0%	13.8%	0.0%	<b>6.7%</b>
Don't know/ Refused	0.0%	0.0%	18.2%	3.8%	0.0%	8.6%	5.0%	<b>7.3%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")





(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

**3c1) Which economic issue are you and your community most impacted by, and how?**

RESPONSE	TIMES MENTIONED	PERCENTAGES
<b>Housing/ rent affordability</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>28.0%</b>
Job market	78	26.0%
Poor economy/ needs improvement	58	19.3%
Commuting to and from work	50	16.7%
Inflation/ rising prices	50	16.7%
Don't know/ Refused/ No response	48	16.0%
Gas prices	32	10.7%
High taxes	26	8.7%
COVID-19 related issues	16	5.3%
Businesses/ restaurants closing	8	2.7%
Supply chain issues/ product shortages	4	1.3%

\*300 responded to this question: 14-Escalon, 20-Lathrop, 44-Lodi, 52-Manteca, 14-Ripon, 116-Stockton, and 40-Tracy

Question allowed for more than one response

Percentages based on total number of respondents



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

\*TIMES MENTIONED

RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
Housing/ rent affordability	8	2	12	20	2	18	22	84
Job market	6	12	8	10	6	28	8	78
Poor economy/ needs improvement	0	0	8	4	4	40	2	58
Commuting to and from work	0	8	4	16	0	8	14	50
Inflation/ rising prices	0	4	6	8	0	28	4	50
Don't know/ Refused/ No response	0	2	14	6	0	18	8	48
Gas prices	0	0	4	0	4	18	6	32
High taxes	0	0	0	0	6	20	0	26
COVID-19 related issues	0	4	0	2	2	6	2	16
Businesses/ restaurants closing	0	0	4	0	0	0	4	8
Supply chain issues/ product shortages	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	4

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Question allowed for more than one response



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

\*PERCENTAGES

RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
Housing/ rent affordability	<b>57.1%</b>	10.0%	27.3%	<b>38.5%</b>	14.3%	15.5%	<b>55.0%</b>	<b>28.0%</b>
Job market	42.9%	<b>60.0%</b>	18.2%	19.2%	<b>42.9%</b>	24.1%	20.0%	<b>26.0%</b>
Poor economy/ needs improvement	0.0%	0.0%	18.2%	7.7%	28.6%	<b>34.5%</b>	5.0%	<b>19.3%</b>
Commuting to and from work	0.0%	40.0%	9.1%	30.8%	0.0%	6.9%	35.0%	<b>16.7%</b>
Inflation/ rising prices	0.0%	20.0%	13.6%	15.4%	0.0%	24.1%	10.0%	<b>16.7%</b>
Don't know/ Refused/ No response	0.0%	10.0%	<b>31.8%</b>	11.5%	0.0%	15.5%	20.0%	<b>16.0%</b>
Gas prices	0.0%	0.0%	9.1%	0.0%	28.6%	15.5%	15.0%	<b>10.7%</b>
High taxes	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	<b>42.9%</b>	17.2%	0.0%	<b>8.7%</b>
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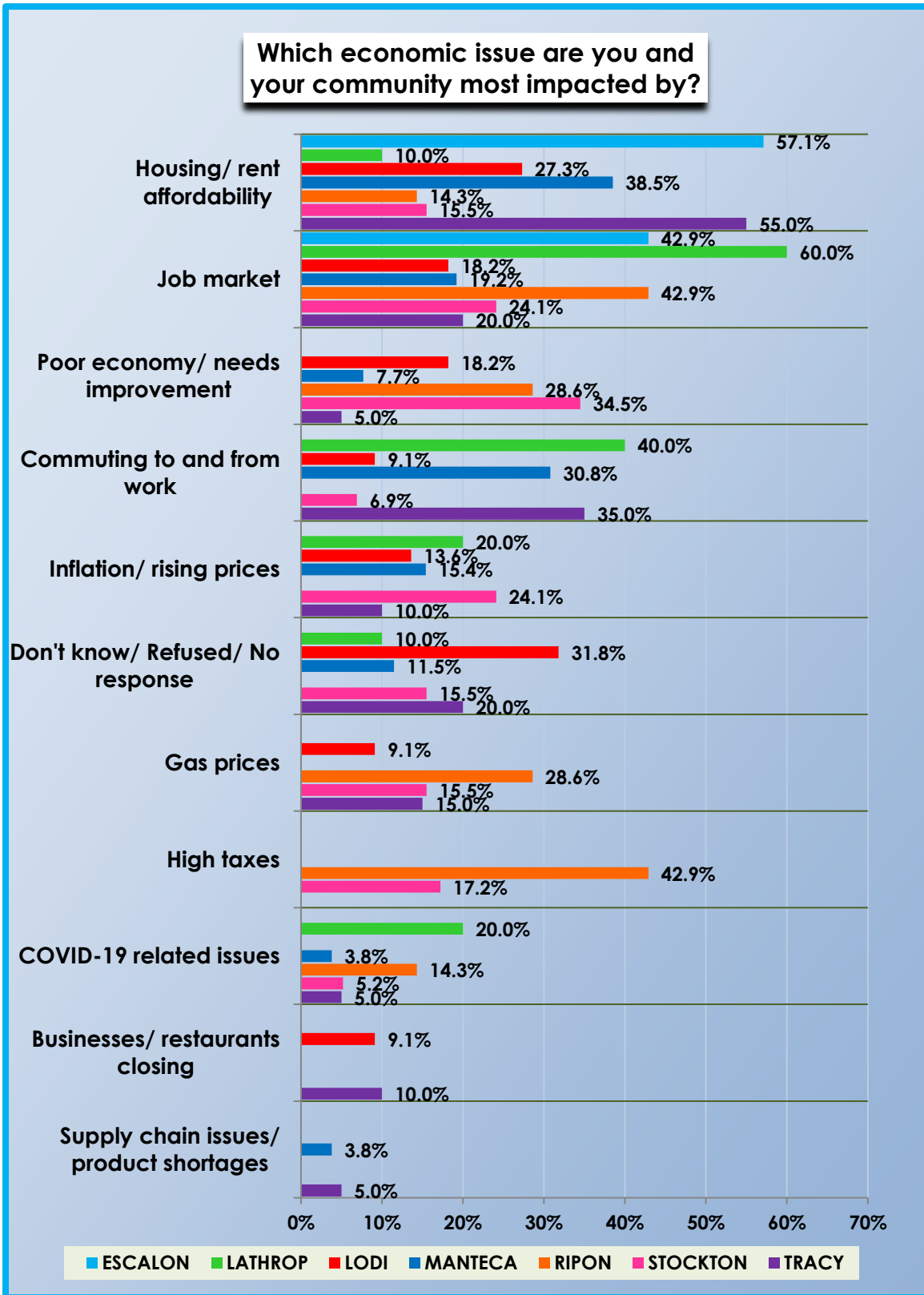
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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")





(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

**ADDITIONAL COMMENTS**

CITY	ECONOMY RESPONSE	COMMENT
Escalon	Somewhat concerned	I am concerned about the high cost of housing.
Escalon	Somewhat concerned	I am most concerned about the housing market, specifically the high cost of homes.
Escalon	Somewhat concerned	The real estate market has expanded here. I have lived in the same house for 50 years and people are always asking me to sell my home. So many places are simply out of reach for buyers.
Escalon	Somewhat concerned	The real estate market is out of control.
Escalon	Somewhat concerned	There is a not enough good paying jobs.
Escalon	Somewhat concerned	There is a lack of job opportunities, and I am not working right now.
Escalon	Very concerned	Rent is so expensive.
Escalon	Very concerned	Rent is the hardest thing to have to deal with. We do not want the prices to go up in our area, don't want to follow the bigger counties. And, the smaller counties, don't get enough help from the gov't to help support the people there. Many poor counties in the mid-state area.
Escalon	Very concerned	Rent is way too high. I have kids living with me because they can't afford a place of their own.
Escalon	Very concerned	Rent prices.
Escalon	Very concerned	So many businesses are suffering because they cannot get employees.
Escalon	Very concerned	The lack of incentive for people to work. There are too many people living off of unemployment checks and stimulus checks. We are rewarding people for not working and, what does that teach our children?
Escalon	Very concerned	The lack of work is a big issue.
Lathrop	Somewhat concerned	Housing is a very hot market right now and the costs are high.
Lathrop	Somewhat concerned	Housing is too expensive.
Lathrop	Somewhat concerned	I commute every day to the Bay Area for work.
Lathrop	Very concerned	Commuting is a problem.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	ECONOMY RESPONSE	COMMENT
Lathrop	Very concerned	I am a construction foreman and the construction slowdown with COVID has caused me to have to layoff men who have been working for me for seven to eight years. It's really hard.
Lathrop	Very concerned	I am struggling to find a job that pays well.
Lathrop	Somewhat concerned	I want to be able to get back out there and work. COVID issues have prevented people from being able to work.
Lathrop	Very concerned	Inflation is out of control.
Lathrop	Very concerned	Jobs are scarce and cost are constantly rising so it is impossible for an average person to afford daily needs.
Lathrop	Very concerned	Jobs that pay enough are too far out of the area.
Lathrop	Very concerned	Jobs that we don't have to drive too far to earn enough to pay our mortgages and support a family.
Lathrop	Very concerned	The lack of jobs in the central valley makes it difficult.
Lathrop	Very concerned	The time I spend having to commute for work.
Lathrop	Very concerned	The time I spend commuting all the way to San Jose every day for work is hard for me.
Lathrop	Very concerned	Unemployment.
Lathrop	Very concerned	Unemployment is not good for the economy.
Lodi	Don't know/ Refused	I just go home and go to work.
Lodi	Not concerned at all	I don't know.
Lodi	Not concerned at all	I don't know how to answer that. More affordable housing.
Lodi	Not concerned at all	Not really. I don't know
Lodi	Not very concerned	I can't really be impacted by it that much.
Lodi	Not very concerned	I commute to the Bay Area, which is higher cost of living, but here it's sustainable.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	ECONOMY RESPONSE	COMMENT
Lodi	Very concerned	Definitely issue, commuting, gas prices and food prices are both up.
Lodi	Very concerned	Everything is getting more expensive all the time.
Lodi	Very concerned	Housing affects me a lot.
Lodi	Very concerned	Housing is expensive.
Lodi	Very concerned	Housing is out of control.
Lodi	Very concerned	Housing is out of line. People are greedy. No reason to be expensive. My mother owns homes. Mortgage is \$700, don't charge renters \$2,000. Should be a limit to how much you should charge because people complain about the homeless. As counties, money for wars, what about the homeless sin our own back yard when you walk out the door. My heart goes out to those who can't afford because even those working minimum wage, it doesn't cut it. You can't pay rent, put food on table.
Lodi	Very concerned	I think our economy is in trouble.
Lodi	Very concerned	I worry we are heading into a recession.
Lodi	Very concerned	More jobs in the area. I'm not affected by it, but for other individuals.
Lodi	Very concerned	Rent prices.
Lodi	Very concerned	Rent, the price of food, the price of gas, the price of everything. Not paying enough money to employees to even make it in this place.
Lodi	Very concerned	Stop Newsom from running it into the ground.
Lodi	Very concerned	Stop small business, allow large businesses to stay open. Democrats putting it on with this bill.
Lodi	Very concerned	The price of homes.
Lodi	Very concerned	The price of homes is becoming unaffordable in the central valley, like Bay Area prices, when we aren't getting paid like the Bay Area is.
Lodi	Very concerned	The state economy seems really vulnerable.
Lodi	Very concerned	The way things are looking lately, I feel like we're on the verge of a recession.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	ECONOMY RESPONSE	COMMENT
Lodi	Very concerned	There a lot of small businesses and restaurants closing.
Lodi	Very concerned	There is a ton of jobs out there right now. I'm not happy with the housing situation, property owners are greedy, rents have gone up, makes it hard for somebody like me, a single parent adult, I rent, sold my home because I don't have to do the upkeep. I can't afford to move to a larger apartment because the rents are so high. It's ridiculous that a two-bedroom apartment rents for \$2,800 in Stockton.
Manteca	Not very concerned	I am most impacted by the long commute to work.
Manteca	Not very concerned	If people are very low-income, then they would have more concern. It seems like there isn't any balance in the economy right now and prices keep rising.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	City development does not keep up with the growth.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	COVID.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	COVID is the biggest concern.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	Housing.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	Housing and transportation are blowing up. There is lot of traffic on the roads.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	I don't understand how we can help so many other countries when we can't even provide affordable housing for people in our own country.
Manteca	Somewhat concerned	I've been retired for several years. I am concerned about housing affordability.
Manteca	Very concerned	Affordable housing.
Manteca	Very concerned	Affordable housing is a big problem. Everything is so expensive.
Manteca	Very concerned	At my company, we are having a hard time getting merchandise and supplies.
Manteca	Very concerned	Commuting. <i>(mentioned 2 times)</i>
Manteca	Very concerned	Commuting distances and traffic is too long and difficult.
Manteca	Very concerned	Commuting to work

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	ECONOMY RESPONSE	COMMENT
Manteca	Very concerned	Housing affordability and cost of rent for renters are big issues here. Inflation is high. The cost of living is high.
Manteca	Very concerned	Housing and cost of living.
Manteca	Very concerned	Housing is my issue. I can't afford an apartment on Social Security disability. Others who are homeless can't get a job because of how they look or their past. It's just not fair.
Manteca	Very concerned	I am concerned about the rising housing prices.
Manteca	Very concerned	I am concerned about the high cost of living and how hard it is to afford a house. If you want to afford a house, you have to commute 60-70 miles to work without mass transit.
Manteca	Very concerned	I think our economy is headed for a downturn.
Manteca	Very concerned	Long commutes to and from work impact us.
Manteca	Very concerned	Low paying jobs.
Manteca	Very concerned	Lower rates of pay impact us a lot. We are not competitive with other areas, so people have to commute for higher wages. But I don't want the increased pay rates on the backs of the owners because their margins are already small.
Manteca	Very concerned	Right now, Manteca is not impacted a lot. The economy is coming up and growing rapidly. Citizens are friendly and not like other communities and no one wants to leave this city. Everyone should keep working and business owners should keep hiring people at a decent wage.
Manteca	Very concerned	The affordability of rent prices.
Manteca	Very concerned	The affordability of housing has a big impact.
Manteca	Very concerned	The cost of rent.
Manteca	Very concerned	The cost of rent impacts me.
Manteca	Very concerned	The job market impacts us most.
Manteca	Very concerned	The job market. Get people to go back to work instead of giving them free money.
Manteca	Very concerned	The pay is sub-standard.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	ECONOMY RESPONSE	COMMENT
Manteca	Very concerned	The pay rate of jobs here is a concern.
Manteca	Very concerned	There is a lack of good paying job in the area. This contributes to the necessity of long commutes and high amounts of traffic.
Manteca	Very concerned	Wages are too low and that impacts the need to commute to another county for work.
Manteca	Very concerned	We have a lack of affordable housing. Opportunities for a regular income job are lacking.
Ripon	Not very concerned	Taxes.
Ripon	Somewhat concerned	The thing that most concerns me is the housing prices.
Ripon	Somewhat concerned	The taxes and housing prices are out of control.
Ripon	Very concerned	I would like to work with having to jump through hoops with mask/without mask, shot/no shot.
Ripon	Very concerned	Lower taxes, lower gas prices, and jobs.
Ripon	Very concerned	Our economy sucks.
Ripon	Very concerned	Our economy is definitely heading into a recession.
Ripon	Very concerned	Our economy was good when Trump was in office, people had money in their pockets, and we didn't have a gas shortage and gas prices were down. It's not as good with this guy Biden. Get Trump back so we can get out pipeline up and running.
Ripon	Very concerned	We need jobs.
Ripon	Very concerned	We need to work. We must also stop spending all our tax money on the crisis on the border. Those illegals must be sent back home.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	I won't even begin to discuss the economy because my heart will not take the discussion. Enough to say, it's terrible.
Stockton	Don't know/ Refused	They suck.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	I don't know, maybe jobs or housing.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	I only have control of my own income and how I use what is left after taxes. I don't worry about the rest of it.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	ECONOMY RESPONSE	COMMENT
Stockton	Not concerned at all	Maybe it is difficult for most, but for me, it is ok and I am good. I have no other opinion.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	No concerns.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	No reason to be concerned, nothing is going to change anyway. The government is going to raise our taxes, raise our food and gas prices, and we don't have a choice but to pay it, oh and then come tax time, they will take the rest of the money we earned.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	Nothing.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	Nothing I can do about it but go with the flow.
Stockton	Not concerned at all	The home I live in is paid, so all I have to worry about is the taxes. I'm in pretty good shape.
Stockton	Not very concerned	I guess as long as I get to the Bay and keep my job, I can wait until Biden makes it better.
Stockton	Not very concerned	I have a job, I never stopped working, so I have no concerns.
Stockton	Not very concerned	I think that once we get rid of this virus, the economy will pick up again and we can get back to work.
Stockton	Not very concerned	Nothing seems to change. Get a job, work for better wages and do better.
Stockton	Not very concerned	The gas prices.
Stockton	Not very concerned	The gas tax and all the other taxes.
Stockton	Not very concerned	Things are getting better all the time.
Stockton	Not very concerned	Things are turning around.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	Biden has had the country for 8 months now, so let's see what happens. Right now, it really looks bad, but maybe he can turn things around.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	Economy sucks, it will get better, then go back to being bad, then who knows. I'm going to work, take care of my own business, pay my taxes that are outrageous, feed my family and close myself off from the rest of the jerks that run this town.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	ECONOMY RESPONSE	COMMENT
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	Economy sucks.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	Everything is getting more expensive all the time.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	Everything is going up and there's not enough money to pay for it all.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	Everything is going up except the wages.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	Everything is so expensive.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	I think the price of gas is too high.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	I travel out of the area for work, and I'm concerned if gas prices keep going up.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	I want people to work and earn something, and not just be satisfied with a little.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	I'm just trying to provide for my family, work hard, try to make my dollar go as far as it can, cut corners wherever I can and pray for the best.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	It's getting better under Biden.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	It's not great, but it will get better soon as soon as the rich start paying their fair share.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	Our economy is very unstable right now because of what happened in the Afghan region, what is happening on the border, and inflation.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	People don't get paid enough money to provide for what we need because prices keep going up and taxes keep going up. You get a raise, get a little more money and then the government raises prices on food, gas, etc., and then they raise the taxes and we come full circle.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	The cost of rent.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	The rents are too high, and the cost of living keeps going up.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	The rich must pair their fair share so the government can fix the roads, get more solar and wind turbines, and push more electric cars. That will help our economy.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	There are a lot of jobs out there, so people could work if they wanted to, but some of them are lazy and just want to get the government money. I'm a truck driver, I'm working so I think those lazy people should get jobs and move on with their life.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	ECONOMY RESPONSE	COMMENT
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	Things are not going all that great right now, stocks are going a little crazy, we're looking toward inflation, prices of food keeps rising, and pretty soon ground beef will be luxury, never mind steak. Pasta is still cheap. I'm hoping it will level off soon.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	Wages are too low.
Stockton	Somewhat concerned	Well, I know I have to travel to my job because I can't afford to live in this community and work in this community.
Stockton	Very concerned	Economy sucks.
Stockton	Very concerned	Economy sucks, taxes are too high, wages too low, nothing is working and no one in government cares.
Stockton	Very concerned	Everything.
Stockton	Very concerned	Everything cost too much because they don't know how to manage our government.
Stockton	Very concerned	Everything. Cost of living, taxes, jobs, and the gas prices.
Stockton	Very concerned	Everything is so expensive and it's really hard for people to survive and pay the bills and still have something left over for food, and it cost so much to get to work what with the gas prices.
Stockton	Very concerned	Food prices keep going up, along with gas prices. It costs half a paycheck to get to work to pay for the rest of the rising cost of everything.
Stockton	Very concerned	I am looking for housing now and I am finding the prices are outrageous and there is a lack of available places. I have a good job, but the prices are just way too high.
Stockton	Very concerned	I can't find a job right now and need to pay my rent.
Stockton	Very concerned	I don't have no work right now, they raised my rent, and things are hard, but I'm going to make it, me and my son. We will make it.
Stockton	Very concerned	I think it sucks.
Stockton	Very concerned	I'm lucky to have a landlord that is not greedy, and he keeps his rent a little under the going rate. Trying to buy a house is very difficult for a first-time buyer. The programs they have to help a first-time buyer is not helpful at all. People in the Bay Area have money and they sell their home there for \$850,000, come here and buy a house that lists for \$699,000 and pay \$850,000. I can't compete with that.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	ECONOMY RESPONSE	COMMENT
Stockton	Very concerned	It is very difficult to find affordable housing.
Stockton	Very concerned	It is very hard to afford housing right now. Both buying and rent. It is really too expensive here in Stockton. This has been especially apparent in the last two years. We also have a hard time finding good jobs, mostly hand to mouth sort of work available. Also because of COVID, many jobs are not available now.
Stockton	Very concerned	It sucks. (mentioned 3 times)
Stockton	Very concerned	It's bad.
Stockton	Very concerned	It's bad and it will get worse, and that's a fact. That guy, Biden, will raise our taxes and we'll be living on the street.
Stockton	Very concerned	It's expensive. Everything keeps going up and up.
Stockton	Very concerned	It's gone bonkers.
Stockton	Very concerned	It's in bad shape but it's getting better. It will just take Biden a little longer to get it under control.
Stockton	Very concerned	Jobs.
Stockton	Very concerned	Jobs and COVID.
Stockton	Very concerned	Our economy is going to hell.
Stockton	Very concerned	Our economy is in trouble. The democrats are killing us, and I'm tired of raised taxes.
Stockton	Very concerned	Our housing is arising sky-high, gas prices are heading up to \$5.00 a gallon, and the food stores in our area keeps raising the prices, but the quality of the produce is below standard, with fruit flies all around the produce. If you drive across town, the produce is a little lower in price and excellent quality. Why is that?
Stockton	Very concerned	The rising costs.
Stockton	Very concerned	The rising costs of everything is very concerning. Everything from food to gas to rent is all going up.
Stockton	Very concerned	There is a lack of employment.
Stockton	Very concerned	There is a lack of support for the unemployed.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	ECONOMY RESPONSE	COMMENT
Stockton	Very concerned	This is something I'm really concerned about because it affects me and my life. I have to travel to the Bay Area for work which means I use a lot of gas and put on a lot of miles on my car and let me tell you, those gas prices are stupid, but what's worse is the tax attached to the original price per gallon.
Stockton	Very concerned	Yes, I want to feed my family and I need money to do that.
Stockton	Very concerned	Yes, my 401k just hit the tank. You better believe I'm concerned.
Stockton	Very concerned	You can't get a job in this county that pays enough to live on, so you have to go to the Bay Area for a job that pays enough to live here. If gas prices keep going up, I don't know how that will affect me.
Tracy	Not very concerned	I am doing well.
Tracy	Not very concerned	I work very close to home and own house.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	Affordable housing. <i>(mentioned 2 times)</i>
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	COVID.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	COVID and companies closing are impacting my community.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	I and my family are doing well. And are grateful for it.
Tracy	Somewhat concerned	None.
Tracy	Very concerned	First, we are very impacted by anything that affects the farmers. Second, everyone who was raised and grew up in San Joaquin, are now priced out of their community. No one can afford the housing, and almost everyone has to commute to the cities to make enough money to afford the cost of living here and, commuting and the higher gas prices, and the new gas taxes, affects us tremendously in this County.
Tracy	Very concerned	Gas prices.
Tracy	Very concerned	Gas prices are outrageous right now. And homelessness is partially created by housing prices being out of control. For jobs, we actually have too many jobs and not enough workers. Part of this due to government assistance during COVID with the free money coming in and also unemployment makes it more affordable to not work. This is making things worse instead of better.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	ECONOMY RESPONSE	COMMENT
Tracy	Very concerned	Governor Newsom is going to sign a bill about not having any more single-family dwellings.
Tracy	Very concerned	I am not sure how anyone can afford housing right now.
Tracy	Very concerned	I am not sure how many jobs are here in San Joaquin. I work in San Francisco and can telecommute. For others that are having to commute, I see that the roads are crowded and busy from early morning to late at night. The government needs to focus on making sure the roads get the attention they need, perhaps expanding them.
Tracy	Very concerned	I am really concerned about the cost of living.
Tracy	Very concerned	I am really concerned about commuting from bigger cities. People who work other places but live in San Joaquin and they are bringing their higher dollar cost of living to us. It used to be that we were an inexpensive area and now the cost of living is almost the same as the large cities. My husband works and commutes twelve hours a day with a two-to-three-hour commute to get good wages.
Tracy	Very concerned	I am really concerned about housing prices.
Tracy	Very concerned	I am really concerned for young people. It is almost impossible to buy their first home. We have lived here since 2007, and do not own our home because we cannot afford it. We keep saving, and then the prices shot up all at once. We are priced right out of the market.
Tracy	Very concerned	I am really concerned about the lack of affordable housing.
Tracy	Very concerned	I am retired now. I used to commute from Tracy to Castro Valley every day. I am concerned about keeping the roads in good shape. I believe those should be supported by gas taxes or regular state monies but not have toll roads. I would like to see more manufacturing jobs coming into the County. And I would like to see much more affordable housing made available.
Tracy	Very concerned	I can't even afford to buy a house.
Tracy	Very concerned	I can't even buy a home let alone rent in my hometown. The prices have been driven so high with the people moving out from the city. I have to commute to and from work and the gas prices and the ability of the state to add on new gas taxes anytime they want eats up the money I have saved by not buying a house.
Tracy	Very concerned	I think buying houses are getting out of reach for the average folks. I also think that we need more variety of work available, and not need to commute to the Bay Area to work.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	ECONOMY RESPONSE	COMMENT
Tracy	Very concerned	I think we will need to build the incentive for keeping the folks here shopping, not go to the bigger cities.
Tracy	Very concerned	My family has financial troubles because of my wife going into the hospital. No matter what is going on, we can't get ahead. We were not part of the economic stimulus checks. We only got one. The government told us they don't give the other checks to everyone.
Tracy	Very concerned	There seem to be a lot of businesses closing.
Tracy	Very concerned	We just heard about the Chinese Real Estate Conglomerate that is going to go bankrupt, and that they have a trillion dollars' worth of property in California. They have overpaid for so many properties that they are half-responsible for the California housing prices going sky-high. And, then everyone else raised their prices. This turned into a cascading problem and has driven folks out of California.
Tracy	Very concerned	We just moved to Tracy a year or so ago from the Bay Area. I am so glad to be out of the big city and the commute was too hard to do. I am concerned about the ongoing development with new houses coming in, and mostly folks moving from the bigger cities. Don't want the big city problems coming to the small towns.
Tracy	Very concerned	We own our home and it's paid off thank goodness We have friends that can't afford to buy a house. And daily living expenses are all going higher too. And that makes it tough on everyone to afford basic living.



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

**3c2) What improvement would you like to see?**

CITY	ECONOMY ISSUE	RESPONSE
Lathrop	Commuting to and from work	I want to see more warehouses or companies in my community that provide jobs that don't require commuting.
Lathrop	Commuting to and from work	I would like to see more opportunities for work in my home area.
Manteca	Commuting to and from work	Road maintenance needs to be improved.
Manteca	Commuting to and from work	We need enough jobs that pay enough here so workers don't have to travel so far.
Stockton	Commuting to and from work & Gas prices	Lower the tax rate on the gas.
Stockton	Commuting to and from work & Gas prices & High taxes	What about drilling more? Supply and demand brings prices down and we are not supplying enough gas. We have it, it's in the ground, and two years ago we had plenty and prices were down - what happened? Did we run out?
Tracy	Commuting to and from work & Gas prices & Housing/ rent affordability & Supply chain issues/ product shortages	We want to see housing prices being much more reasonable. And all of the fees and state regulations about housing could be much more reasonable or disappear entirely. And, if everyone could agree to not have unreasonable prices, builders, developers, government regulations, sellers, etc., this would help everyone.
Lodi	Commuting to and from work & Gas prices & Inflation/ rising prices	It's hard to put my finger on. Raising minimum wage, raises the economy. I don't know what it would take to change it. I'd like to see gas prices go down, rent control would be great.
Stockton	Commuting to and from work & Gas prices & Job market	Get that Keystone Pipeline going immediately.
Manteca	Commuting to and from work & Housing/ rent affordability	Find some kind of efficient transportation for commuters to the Bay Area.
Tracy	Commuting to and from work & Housing/ rent affordability	I would like to see more managed growth. And, not just selling houses to anyone and everyone. We don't want folks that are not really qualified to buy houses.
Manteca	Commuting to and from work & Housing/ rent affordability & Inflation/ rising prices	Develop a mass transit system to the Bay Area so there is not so much traffic.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	ECONOMY ISSUE	RESPONSE
Stockton	Commuting to and from work & Housing/ rent affordability & Job market	Better pay and lower taxes, not to mention lower the taxes on gasoline.
Tracy	Commuting to and from work & Housing/ rent affordability & Job market	I would really like to see the Tracy Mall revived. So many of the small businesses are closed because of COVID. We could spruce up the parks in the area to draw more folks in. We could also offer more entertainment areas. Things like drive-in theaters, concerts, festivals, amusement parks, etc. Something similar to Manteca's Wolf Lodge. Maybe a water slide water park to help draw more people. This builds jobs and attract tourists. I also think developers should be held accountable for donating something back to the community they are building homes. Not just take their money and run but donate a basketball court or a community center, help out the community. Invest back into the community that is helping you make money. Build your 50 homes, now what are you giving back
Lathrop	Commuting to and from work & Job market	I think Mr. Newsom is doing a wonderful job and I don't have any suggestions.
Lathrop	Commuting to and from work & Job market	I would like to see better paying jobs in the community and more opportunities for things like county jobs.
Manteca	Commuting to and from work & Job market	Homelessness is rampant and trash is everywhere. It is overbearing. Why do we allow them to build tent cities that impede traffic and create dangerous situations?
Manteca	Commuting to and from work & Job market	I would like to see the county offer assistance to the business owners. Many start their own businesses because they have the skills of their trade but there needs to be education and assistance for them, letting them know about resources as business own
Tracy	Commuting to and from work & Job market	The other thing that I see is that the housing market is out of reasonable price range.
Manteca	COVID-19 related issues	Be conscious about where you are and avoid being around sick people. Keep your distance.
Stockton	COVID-19 related issues	We need to get back to work.
Lathrop	COVID-19 related issues & Job market	Construction work is just now starting to pick up after COVID began. Whatever the County can do to create more work would be great.
Lathrop	COVID-19 related issues & Job market	I'm not really sure how to answer.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	ECONOMY ISSUE	RESPONSE
Ripon	COVID-19 related issues & Job market	Back to normal, before COVID.
Stockton	COVID-19 related issues & Job market	Stop importing people of all kinds and let the Americans work the jobs since we are the ones that pay the taxes.
Stockton	Gas prices & High taxes	Lower the taxes.
Ripon	Gas prices & High taxes & Job market	Change our leaders.
Lodi	Gas prices & Housing/ rent affordability & Inflation/ rising prices & Job market	Cheaper rent. Get homeless off the street, make it so we can afford to live again.
Stockton	Gas prices & Housing/ rent affordability & Inflation/ rising prices	Allow better stores to open in the neighborhood, healthier stores and restaurants.
Stockton	Gas prices & Inflation/ rising prices	You could at least lower the gas tax by half.
Ripon	Gas prices & Poor economy/ needs improvement	All the blue-collar jobs are going to Hispanics in California, so close the border and do what Trump did and send the illegals back home.
Ripon	High taxes	Cut the taxes
Stockton	High taxes & Inflation/ rising prices & Job market	Lower the taxes, lower the price of gas and food and merchandise and then maybe we can make ends meet.
Ripon	High taxes & Job market	Stop the surge on the border.
Stockton	High taxes & Job market & Poor economy/ needs improvement	I think turns everything upside down. Lower taxes, raise wages, stop giving everything away and let people earn what they want, or not. Let people earn and control their lives.
Stockton	High taxes & Poor economy/ needs improvement	Get rid of the Governor.
Escalon	Housing/ rent affordability	I don't know. Something to regulate the housing prices that way out of control.
Escalon	Housing/ rent affordability	I think we could help our immigrants more. The ones who are farming and supporting our food industry.
Escalon	Housing/ rent affordability	Stop handing out free money.
Escalon	Housing/ rent affordability	Take care of the mosquitoes. They are getting better.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	ECONOMY ISSUE	RESPONSE
Lodi	Housing/ rent affordability	Starting to build homeless shelters so people have a place to stay, so people can get back on your feet. People and programs to help you get back on your feet. More of a social service thing. So, people will have hope, that it gets better. Program for the
Manteca	Housing/ rent affordability	I would like to see them keep up with road maintenance better.
Manteca	Housing/ rent affordability	I've never owned a home. I have no credit, so no one wants to rent to me. I have a bad past and I am trying to improve it. But it is hard to improve it when I can't get a job.
Manteca	Housing/ rent affordability	Take advantage of some of the housing packages that a couple previous mayors have put together but have never been acted upon.
Ripon	Housing/ rent affordability	More affordable rent and lower purchase price for individual housing.
Stockton	Housing/ rent affordability	Present better programs for first time buyers, some way for a newly married couple can become a homeowner and not have to make enough money to pay a \$3,000 monthly payment.
Tracy	Housing/ rent affordability	Again, we need to have a better system for checks and balances for foreign investments. There's a never-ending cycle of bad economic decisions and not enough government regulations to keep this under control.
Tracy	Housing/ rent affordability	Have some regulation on housing prices.
Tracy	Housing/ rent affordability	I would like to see more people getting help with housing, rents, especially basic living costs.
Tracy	Housing/ rent affordability	We have never had condos in Tracy, barely have apartments and have mostly single-family homes. I do not think we should have rubber stamped bills that affect the whole state, that are not appropriate for all areas.
Lathrop	Housing/ rent affordability & Inflation/ rising prices	COVID needs to go away and that will help the economy.
Manteca	Housing/ rent affordability & Inflation/ rising prices	Look at taxes and what it is being spent on so that housing can be made more affordable.
Stockton	Housing/ rent affordability & Inflation/ rising prices	I would like to see better housing for lower income families.
Tracy	Housing/ rent affordability & Inflation/ rising prices	Get the right leaders in, vote for people that will help these areas.

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CITY	ECONOMY ISSUE	RESPONSE
Lodi	Housing/ rent affordability & Job market	Equal pay all over Northern California.
Lodi	Housing/ rent affordability & Job market	I'd like to see better oversight with flexibility that we aren't crushed. I'd like, for example for somebody to have oversight over rental costs or educational improvements. I know there are organizations and agencies out there that have oversight, but I think these things get lost in the minutia, because they aren't impacted by it and not involved.
Manteca	Housing/ rent affordability & Job market	I would like to see higher wages along with more affordable housing. More revenue could then stay in the county if residents didn't have to commute so far to work.
Lodi	Inflation/ rising prices	Stop inflation.
Stockton	Inflation/ rising prices	I don't have enough time to go into those issues, so it's best I just say, I don't know.
Lathrop	Inflation/ rising prices & Job market	We need some more centers for at-risk kids, to help them get the job skills needed for the job market. There also needs to be more mental health programs available for kids and teens.
Stockton	Inflation/ rising prices & Job market	Stop raising taxes. Stop paying people to commit crimes, stop paying people to steal. Let the police do their job.
Manteca	Inflation/ rising prices & Poor economy/ needs improvement	Raising the minimum wage would be good but done in a way that doesn't raise prices.
Stockton	Inflation/ rising prices & Poor economy/ needs improvement	There is nothing we can do about it. It's up to the government, the Biden Administration, to fix it and get it stable again.
Stockton	Inflation/ rising prices & Poor economy/ needs improvement	Vote them out.
Escalon	Job market	Find a way to make more jobs available.
Escalon	Job market	I say rework the unemployment plans.
Lathrop	Job market	I want to see people have jobs and be able to work.
Lodi	Job market	Create more jobs.
Lodi	Job market	More jobs.
Lodi	Job market	People going back to work, getting off unemployment.
Manteca	Job market	I would like to see more job opportunities that pay well in viable careers.

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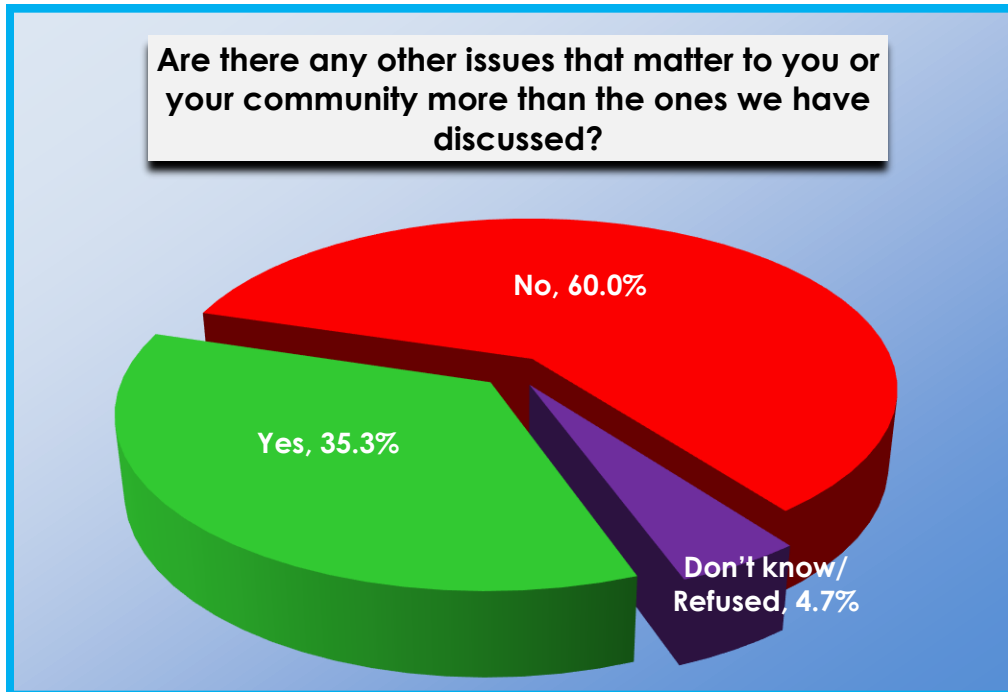
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CITY	ECONOMY ISSUE	RESPONSE
Manteca	Job market	Inflation needs to be curbed in whatever way possible.
Manteca	Job market	Pay a living wage and hire people who have come out of prison and paid their debt just like others. Former prisoners are told to change their ways when they leave prison and to be good citizens, but no one gives them jobs or a chance to be live like good citizens.
Stockton	Job market	Better wages.
Stockton	Job market	If people want to live better, then get a job and make it better for themselves.
Stockton	Job market	People need to work and earn a living, so they feel good about themselves and not just be satisfied with crumbs. People need self-respect.
Stockton	Job market	People should go to work.
Stockton	Job market	They need to readdress the income amounts and requirements it takes to qualify for certain programs.
Stockton	Job market	Work for a living.
Stockton	Job market & Poor economy/ needs improvement	Jobs and higher wages.
Stockton	Poor economy/ needs improvement	I don't think anything I say will mean anything to them, but you have been very nice, so I hope they get something out of this survey.
Stockton	Poor economy/ needs improvement	I have no idea.
Stockton	Poor economy/ needs improvement	Stop giving us everything for free. We really want to earn a living and actually feel good about ourselves. Oh, and get rid of the governor.
Tracy	Poor economy/ needs improvement	We would like to have some help with hospital bills.

4) Are there any other issues that matter to you or your community more than the ones we have discussed?

RESPONSE	TIMES MENTIONED	PERCENTAGES
Yes	106	35.3%
<b>No</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>60.0%</b>
Don't know/ Refused	14	4.7%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>100%</b>





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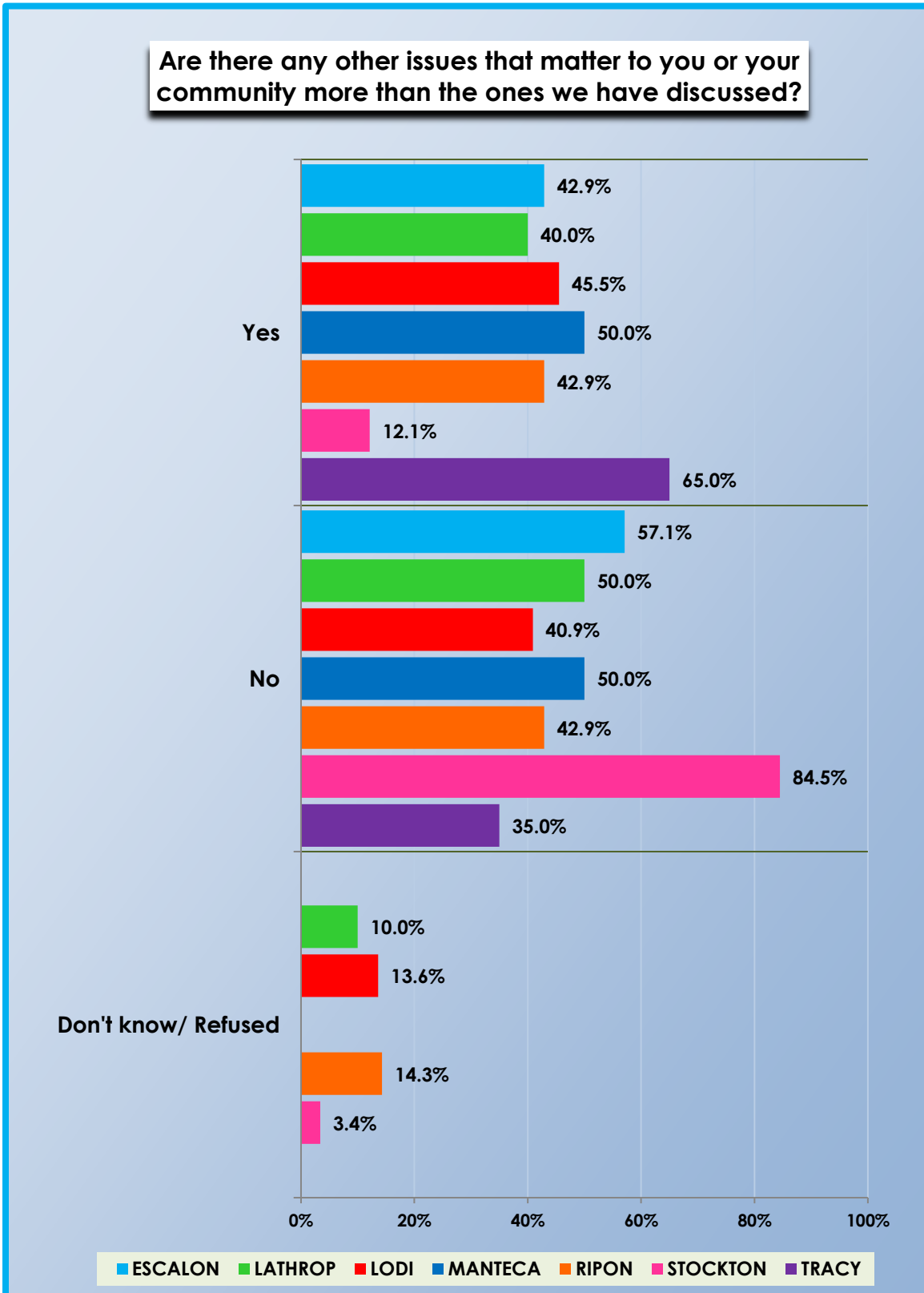
TIMES MENTIONED

RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
Yes	6	8	20	26	6	14	26	106
No	8	10	18	26	6	98	14	180
Don't know/ Refused	0	2	6	0	2	4	0	14
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>300</b>

PERCENTAGES

RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
Yes	42.9%	40.0%	45.5%	50.0%	42.9%	12.1%	65.0%	35.3%
No	57.1%	50.0%	40.9%	50.0%	42.9%	84.5%	35.0%	60.0%
Don't know/ Refused	0.0%	10.0%	13.6%	0.0%	14.3%	3.4%	0.0%	4.7%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

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**4a) If 'Yes,' What issue(s)?**

RESPONSE	TIMES MENTIONED	PERCENTAGES
<b>Homelessness</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>11.3%</b>
Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs	28	9.3%
Government: local, state, federal	26	8.7%
COVID-19 related issues	10	3.3%
Businesses recruitment and retention	6	2.0%
Community infrastructure improvements	4	1.3%
Environmental issues/ climate change	4	1.3%
Housing/ rent affordability	4	1.3%
Immigration	4	1.3%

\*106 responded to this question: 6-Escalon, 8-Lathrop, 20-Lodi, 26-Manteca, 6-Ripon, 14-Stockton, and 26-Tracy

Question allowed for more than one response

Percentages based on total number of respondents

*\*TIMES MENTIONED*

RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
Homelessness	0	2	6	<b>14</b>	0	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>34</b>
Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs	<b>4</b>	2	2	4	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	6	<b>28</b>
Government: local, state, federal	<b>4</b>	2	<b>10</b>	2	2	2	4	<b>26</b>
COVID-19 related issues	0	<b>4</b>	0	2	0	2	2	<b>10</b>
Businesses recruitment and retention	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	<b>6</b>
Community infrastructure improvements	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	<b>4</b>
Environmental issues/ climate change	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	<b>4</b>
Housing/ rent affordability	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	<b>4</b>
Immigration	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	<b>4</b>

\*106 responded to this question: 6-Escalon, 8-Lathrop, 20-Lodi, 26-Manteca, 6-Ripon, 14-Stockton, and 26-Tracy

Question allowed for more than one response



(Question 4 continued, "Are there any other issues that matter to you or your community more than the ones we have discussed?")

**\*PERCENTAGES**

RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
Homelessness	0.0%	10.0%	13.6%	<b>26.9%</b>	0.0%	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>20.0%</b>	<b>11.3%</b>
Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs	<b>28.6%</b>	10.0%	4.5%	7.7%	<b>42.9%</b>	<b>3.4%</b>	15.0%	<b>9.3%</b>
Government: local, state, federal	<b>28.6%</b>	10.0%	<b>22.7%</b>	3.8%	14.3%	1.7%	10.0%	<b>8.7%</b>
COVID-19 related issues	0.0%	<b>20.0%</b>	0.0%	3.8%	0.0%	1.7%	5.0%	<b>3.3%</b>
Businesses recruitment and retention	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.7%	10.0%	<b>2.0%</b>
Community infrastructure improvements	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3.8%	0.0%	0.0%	5.0%	<b>1.3%</b>
Environmental issues/ climate change	0.0%	0.0%	4.5%	3.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	<b>1.3%</b>
Housing/ rent affordability	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	10.0%	<b>1.3%</b>
Immigration	0.0%	0.0%	4.5%	0.0%	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%	<b>1.3%</b>

\*106 responded to this question: 6-Escalon, 8-Lathrop, 20-Lodi, 26-Manteca, 6-Ripon, 14-Stockton, and 26-Tracy

Question allowed for more than one response

Percentages based on total number of respondents

(Question 4 continued, "Are there any other issues that matter to you or your community more than the ones we have discussed?")

**ADDITIONAL COMMENTS**

CITY	ISSUE(S)	COMMENT
Stockton	Businesses recruitment and retention	The difference between the south side and the north side. Why is it the north side gets all the money, all the healthy grocery stores, better restaurants? However, you allow new liquor stores to open, new cigarette shops to open, or maybe a dollar store
Stockton	Businesses recruitment and retention	There are so many businesses closing and no new businesses opening.
Tracy	Businesses recruitment and retention	I would like a Trader Joe's.
Tracy	Businesses recruitment and retention	I would like to see more businesses open and more plazas that have good food stores.
Tracy	Businesses recruitment and retention	I would suggest that the county work at drawing in other types of businesses.
Tracy	Businesses recruitment and retention	My community is turning into a warehouse community and there is a lack of other types of jobs.
Manteca	Community infrastructure improvements	Keep the public spaces clean and with good lighting.
Manteca	Community infrastructure improvements	Maintenance of community parks is important.
Lathrop	COVID-19 related issues	Everything connected to COVID-19 concerns me.
Lathrop	COVID-19 related issues	People need to be vaccinated and wear masks.
Manteca	COVID-19 related issues	COVID.
Manteca	COVID-19 related issues	COVID caused a lack of medical attention for other medical problems. We couldn't get help for the health issues we needed, and the problems compounded.
Stockton	COVID-19 related issues	Continued mask wearing and everyone getting the shots. I wish the government in Stockton would make sure that everyone shows a copy of the vaccination cards.
Stockton	COVID-19 related issues	I have cancer so I am very concerned about COVID.
Tracy	COVID-19 related issues	COVID is out of control.
Tracy	COVID-19 related issues	COVID-related issues have truly affected all of California economies and their production. Welfare and unemployment and bankruptcy and stimulus checks are making the economy fall apart and people NOT work, and others families are always having to support

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	ISSUE(S)	COMMENT
Lathrop	COVID-19 related issues & Government: local, state, federal	I wish the government would do more when it comes to COVID.
Lathrop	COVID-19 related issues & Government: local, state, federal	More transparency is needed from the County and the medical system, especially when it comes to COVID numbers.
Escalon	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs	Make sure we have a good police force with enough officers to keep the city and streets safe.
Escalon	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs	We need to hire more police officers.
Lathrop	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs	I would like to see an actual police department nearby.
Lathrop	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs	More of a police presence.
Lodi	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs	Crime.
Lodi	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs	Gang population is a concern for everyone. I think whoever designed these roads. West March Lane between Feather River Drive and 1-5 if traveling east, left hand turn lane to turn into Home Depot and In and Out Burger, if traveling east off Feather River Dr., have to make a turn to get onto West March Lane, if signaling to get to the passing lane, run the risk of being hit, because want to get in that lane, but not making that turn. Traffic coming east, there is a left hand turn to turn into an access road and there is a no U-turn sign, but they make U-turns, I've been so close to being hit so many times, that whole left-hand turn stuff is problematic. I don't know why they designed it that way. Infrastructure, I guess, and transportation and roads. They need a better infrastructure for that.
Manteca	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs	Crime is a concern. We need more public safety and more police.
Manteca	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs	I am concerned about issues involving teens with drugs and family issues. I don't see much in-depth help or assistance for teens who need it.
Manteca	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs	Police need to do more.
Manteca	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs	Police have a lack of resources, and they are not able to do an adequate job of curbing crime.
Ripon	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs	Get BLM, CRT and Antifa out of our community and out of teachings. Stop all the rioting.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	ISSUE(S)	COMMENT
Ripon	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs	Put the police back on the street with proper pay.
Ripon	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs	The criminal justice system. Criminals should be held responsible for the crimes, instead of letting them out with just a slap on the wrist.
Stockton	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs	The crime in Stockton has gotten worse. Sometimes the crime is reported to the police, and they cannot get to the people for three to four days.
Stockton	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs	We do not have enough police on the force.
Tracy	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs	The crime in our area is a major issue for our community.
Tracy	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs	Our crime has gone up quite a bit in the last few years. And our law enforcement may not be doing enough or may not have enough resources to face this challenge.
Tracy	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs & Community infrastructure improvements	Need better lighting throughout our town of Tracy. Also, they really need to fix the lights at the park. We have two grandkids and don't want to put them in danger. I also see the need for help with the postal service. They are overworked and there are not enough folks to help out there.
Escalon	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs & Government: local, state, federal	I think the representatives should have more contact with their communities. I don't even know who the person for my area is.
Escalon	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs & Government: local, state, federal	I think want the government to give more help to the Police Department.
Stockton	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs & Homelessness	The homeless are dangerous.
Stockton	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs & Homelessness	The homelessness is extreme out here. I see so many properties that are empty and see that the city could take the and transform into places for the homeless. They are all over and sleeping on the sidewalks. The crime is not so bad as what we had in New York. Thank goodness.
Tracy	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs & Homelessness	Homelessness. It gets easily out of control. They need more drug treatment centers, mental health help, and safer shelter environments. We really need to look at multi-level solutions.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	ISSUE(S)	COMMENT
Tracy	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs & Homelessness	Crime is not too bad here, but we have a jail for mild offenders that got shutdown recently and, that will create a problem with putting worse offenders with the less offenders and more homeless. The zero-bail policy is a very bad idea. We don't want that here in our County for our family's safety.
Ripon	Crime/ public safety/ gangs/ drugs & Immigration & Government: local, state, federal	Gun issues, criminal issues, and illegals. We need a new government.
Lodi	Environmental issues/ climate change	Agricultural sprays, used with airplanes, bad for environment, making allergies for our kids. This issue they need to work on it.
Lodi	Environmental issues/ climate change	Climate change.
Manteca	Environmental issues/ climate change	We need more green initiatives.
Manteca	Environmental issues/ climate change	We need to address climate and global warming issues.
Escalon	Government: local, state, federal	I don't think our reps care about us. Every year they are raising taxes, garbage rates going up, etc. and, what are we getting out of it?
Lodi	Government: local, state, federal	Lodi, electric different than PG&E bills never consistent, weirdest thing. Water and trash pickup, different amount every month, inconsistent every month.
Lodi	Government: local, state, federal	The new sex-ed propaganda that the government is trying to do.
Lodi	Government: local, state, federal	The government is broken.
Lodi	Government: local, state, federal	The state government. <i>(mentioned 2 times)</i>
Lodi	Government: local, state, federal	The state government and Gavin Newsom.
Lodi	Government: local, state, federal	The State of California government is out of control.
Manteca	Government: local, state, federal	County government needs to do more.

Table Continued



(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	ISSUE(S)	COMMENT
Manteca	Government: local, state, federal	Operation of the city and the county aren't always interchangeable. For example, the city will pick up a program successfully but then it gets turned over to the county and it fizzles. An example is the ERAP program. When the city handled, it there was more getting done. Now the county doesn't seem to have the infrastructure to run it successfully and it has gone stagnant.
Stockton	Government: local, state, federal	Do you have a week to listen to me? I don't think so, so this will have to do for now until the government is fixed.
Stockton	Government: local, state, federal	Government.
Tracy	Government: local, state, federal	It doesn't matter if you redistrict the county, if the state changes everything.
Tracy	Government: local, state, federal	I am 60 and I have lived here for 15 years and don't see the government helping the folks who really need it the most. Just raise the taxes all the time. I don't believe the government is for the people but only for themselves. Need more caring and understanding representatives that know what's happening at all levels of their county.
Lodi	Government: local, state, federal & Homelessness	I moved out of Stockton because homelessness was so unbelievable, and the government won't do anything about it.
Lodi	Government: local, state, federal & Homelessness	Government officials don't do their job. They need to do so much better than they are doing right now. With what is going on with homelessness. It's really disturbing.
Lathrop	Homelessness	Homelessness.
Lathrop	Homelessness	Homelessness is something I have been concerned about.
Lodi	Homelessness	Homeless one is a big one for me.
Lodi	Homelessness	Homeless. (mentioned 3 times)
Manteca	Homelessness	Homelessness. (mentioned 5 times)
Manteca	Homelessness	Homelessness. I am homeless and I don't want to be homeless, and they take away water and bathrooms that we could use.
Manteca	Homelessness	Homelessness in Manteca is a big concern with people, living by freeway and highway. Some ride bikes on the freeway.

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(Question 3 continued, "How concerned are you with...?")

TABLE CONTINUED

CITY	ISSUE(S)	COMMENT
Manteca	Homelessness	Homelessness is a big issue. I'm surprised it wasn't one of the top concerns.
Manteca	Homelessness	Homelessness is horrible. We have no resources for them. And theft is a big problem because of the homelessness.
Manteca	Homelessness	Homelessness is really important to me. Politicians need to sit down with the people who live in apartment buildings and homeless people - find out what they need.
Manteca	Homelessness	I'm wondering what I can do to help the homeless and what can be done to meet their needs.
Manteca	Homelessness	Other communities that don't have resources bring their homeless here and tell them that we have resources for them.
Manteca	Homelessness	The homeless population is a concern. No one seems to be doing anything about it.
Manteca	Homelessness	The homeless situation is getting worse and creates a domino effect and it seems heavy now. For instance, when I think, "let's take the kids to the park," I remember "oh, there's a homeless tent camp there so I guess we shouldn't."
Manteca	Homelessness	We need to find better ways to help people who are homeless.
Stockton	Homelessness	Homelessness.
Stockton	Homelessness	There is way too much homelessness.
Tracy	Homelessness	Homeless are taking over our area crowding our streets.
Tracy	Homelessness	Homelessness is a major issue in our community.
Tracy	Homelessness	I am concerned about the homeless.
Tracy	Homelessness	I am very concerned about the homeless problems. This makes our town look bad, they usually dump garbage all over, and makes people uncomfortable. So, if we could work on those areas, maybe treatment centers, job skill training programs, housing help, etc.
Tracy	Homelessness	I really want to see them helping out the poor and the folks who are homeless.
Tracy	Homelessness	I would like to see the homeless off the streets.

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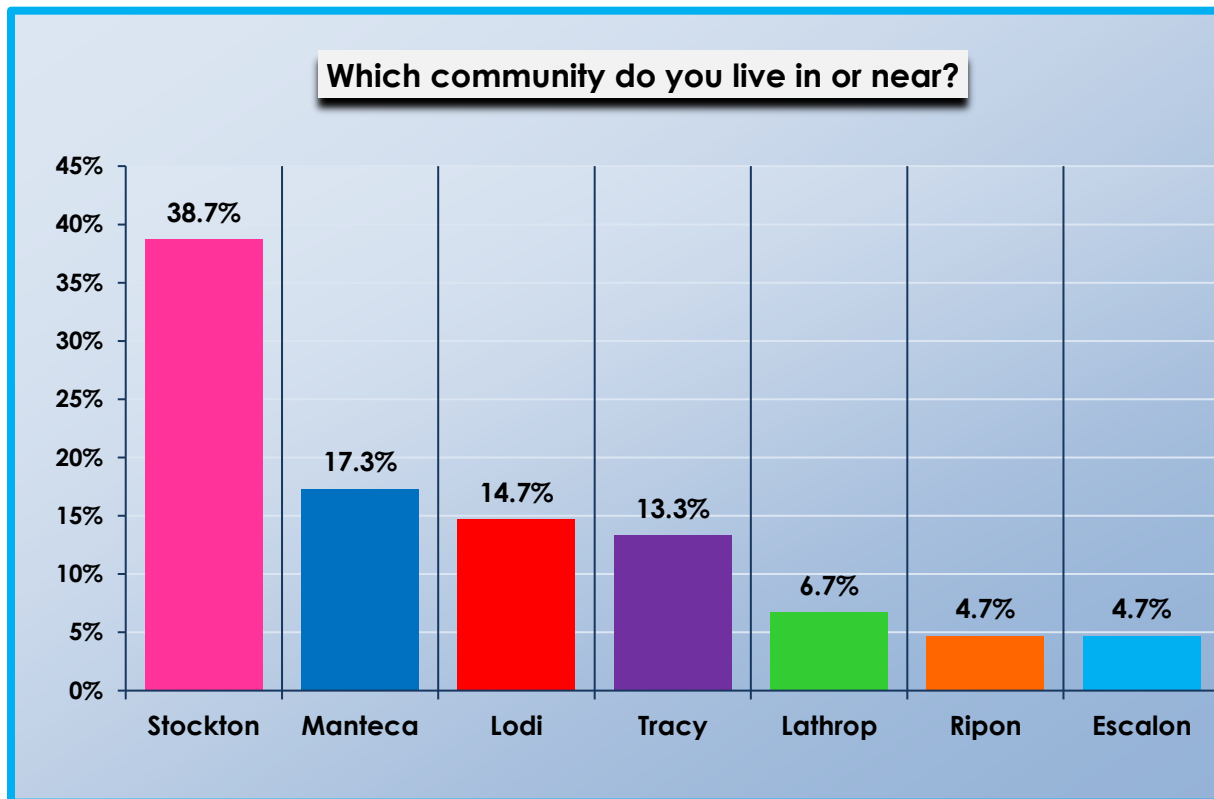
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CITY	ISSUE(S)	COMMENT
Tracy	Homelessness	I would like to see them help the homeless folks more. They are a big issue in our area. The sleeping on the sidewalks and have lots of garbage, begging outside of local stores. The government needs to help them. Tracy is not a big city, and we have to walk through the homeless area to get to our park.
Tracy	Housing/ rent affordability	We have lived here for 20 years, and the worst thing is the housing prices going through the roof.
Tracy	Housing/ rent affordability	We need to someone do something about the rent prices. It's out of control.
Tracy	Housing/ rent affordability	There is no one here to advocate for the seniors that are staying in their long-term communities. It is so important to keep people that are long term residents by focusing on quality of life and reasonable costs of living. I think we should really prioritize keeping our residents here and keeping California as great as it was in the past, and what made people want to move here and live here long-term. This includes good air, water, food, great environment, more open politically, good jobs with good benefits. We could focus more on these issues.
Tracy	Housing/ rent affordability	What about all the younger families that are moving away because of economic issues and because they can't afford to live here?
Lodi	Immigration	Immigrants illegally crossing the border.
Lodi	Immigration	There are way too many immigrants coming in.



5) Which community do you live in or near?

RESPONSE	TIMES MENTIONED	PERCENTAGES
<b>Stockton</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>38.7%</b>
Manteca	52	17.3%
Lodi	44	14.7%
Tracy	40	13.3%
Lathrop	20	6.7%
Ripon	14	4.7%
Escalon	14	4.7%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>100%</b>





6) Which age group best describes you?

RESPONSE	TIMES MENTIONED	PERCENTAGES
18 – 24	12	4.0%
25 – 34	68	22.7%
<b>35 – 49</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>36.0%</b>
50 – 65	78	26.0%
65+	34	11.3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>100%</b>

TIMES MENTIONED

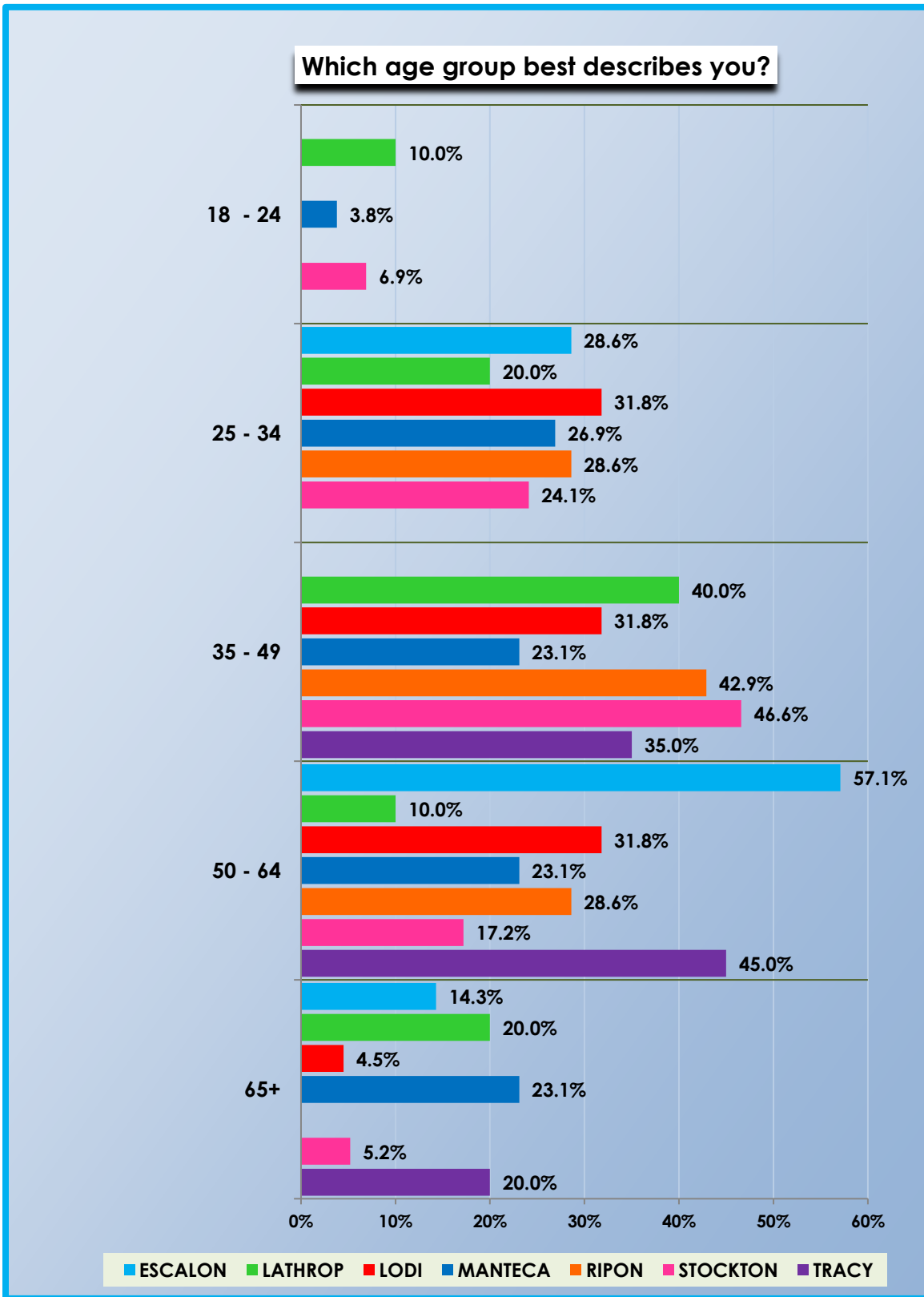
RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
18 – 24	0	2	0	2	0	8	0	<b>12</b>
25 – 34	4	4	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	4	28	0	<b>68</b>
35 – 49	0	<b>8</b>	<b>14</b>	12	<b>6</b>	<b>54</b>	14	<b>108</b>
50 – 65	<b>8</b>	2	<b>14</b>	12	4	20	<b>18</b>	<b>78</b>
65+	2	4	2	12	0	6	8	<b>34</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>300</b>

PERCENTAGES

RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
18 – 24	0.0%	10.0%	0.0%	3.8%	0.0%	6.9%	0.0%	<b>4.0%</b>
25 – 34	28.6%	20.0%	<b>31.8%</b>	<b>26.9%</b>	28.6%	24.1%	0.0%	<b>22.7%</b>
35 – 49	0.0%	<b>40.0%</b>	<b>31.8%</b>	23.1%	<b>42.9%</b>	<b>46.6%</b>	35.0%	<b>36.0%</b>
50 – 65	<b>57.1%</b>	10.0%	<b>31.8%</b>	23.1%	28.6%	17.2%	<b>45.0%</b>	<b>26.0%</b>
65+	14.3%	20.0%	4.5%	23.1%	0.0%	5.2%	20.0%	<b>11.3%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>



(Question 6 continued, "Which age group best describes you?")







**7) Which ethnic group best describes you?**

RESPONSE	TIMES MENTIONED	PERCENTAGES
<b>Latino/Hispanic</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>33.3%</b>
Caucasian	80	26.7%
African American	36	12.0%
Asian	32	10.7%
Two or more	16	5.3%
Don't want to say	36	12.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>100%</b>

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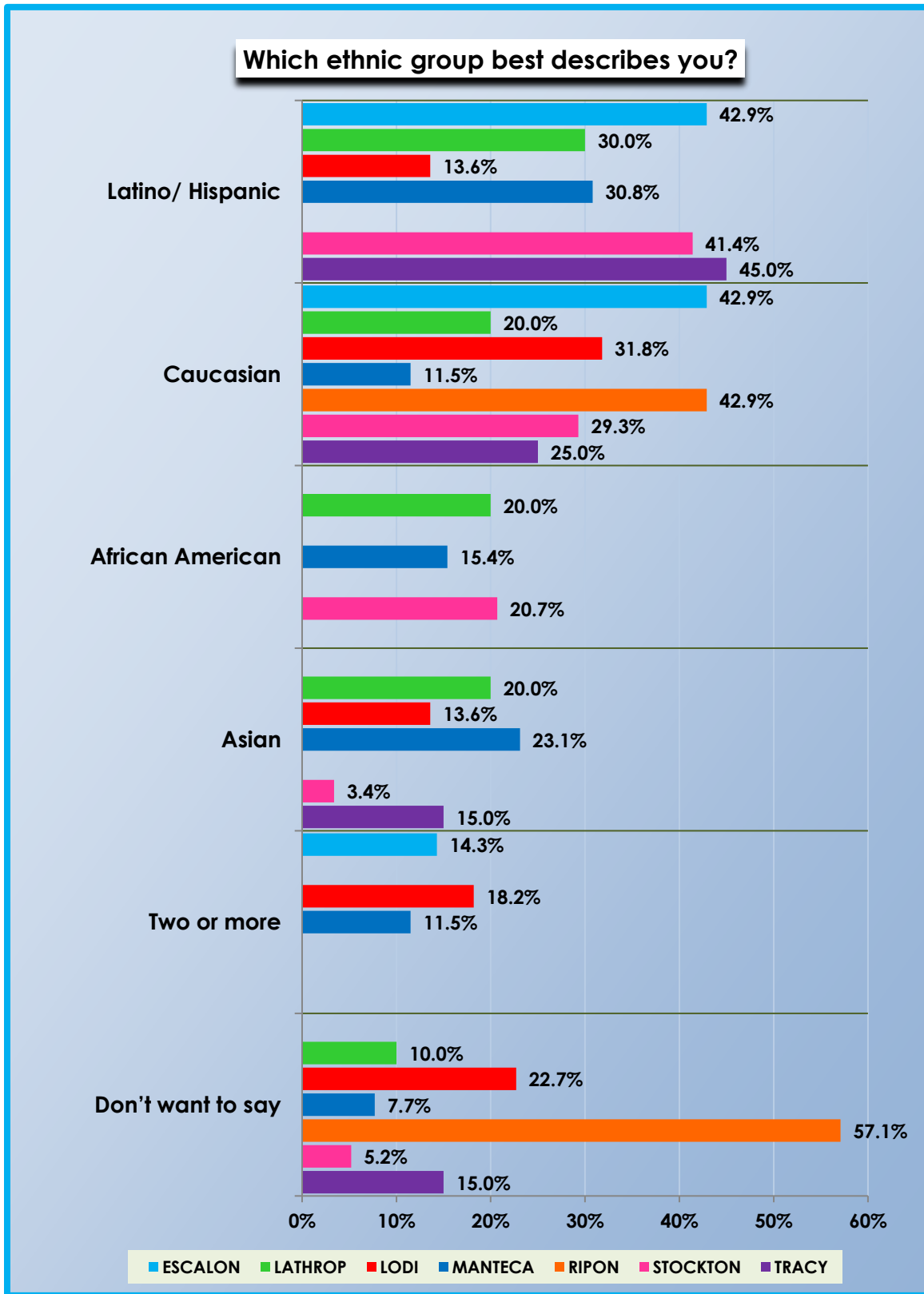
RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
Latino/ Hispanic	6	6	6	16	0	48	18	100
Caucasian	6	4	14	6	6	34	10	80
African American	0	4	0	8	0	24	0	36
Asian	0	4	6	12	0	4	6	32
Two or more	2	0	8	6	0	0	0	16
Don't want to say	0	2	10	4	8	6	6	36
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>300</b>

PERCENTAGES

RESPONSE	ESCALON	LATHROP	LODI	MANTECA	RIPON	STOCKTON	TRACY	TOTAL
Latino/ Hispanic	42.9%	30.0%	13.6%	30.8%	0.0%	41.4%	45.0%	33.3%
Caucasian	42.9%	20.0%	31.8%	11.5%	42.9%	29.3%	25.0%	26.7%
African American	0.0%	20.0%	0.0%	15.4%	0.0%	20.7%	0.0%	12.0%
Asian	0.0%	20.0%	13.6%	23.1%	0.0%	3.4%	15.0%	10.7%
Two or more	14.3%	0.0%	18.2%	11.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	5.3%
Don't want to say	0.0%	10.0%	22.7%	7.7%	57.1%	5.2%	15.0%	12.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>



(Question 7 continued, "Which ethnic group best describes you?")



## Study Synopsis and Conclusions

- A significant percentage of respondents could not or did not provide a response regarding the voting districts. Most stated that they really did not have an opinion one way or the other and needed to better understand the issue prior to providing a response.
- Nearly two thirds (65.3%) of those who provided a response were in favor of keeping the voting districts exclusive to San Joaquin County and not including any other county.
- 68.2% of those who provided a response would favor an alignment with Stanislaus County if they absolutely had to align with another county. Alignment with another county, even Stanislaus County, is not a popular option with county respondents.
- Respondents were asked to rate their level of concern with three top issues: water, education and schools, and the economy. The percentage of respondents rating each of these three issues as either 'very concerned' and 'somewhat concerned' are as follows:
  - The Economy 76.0%
  - Water Issues 64.0%
  - Education and Schools 60.0%

- The importance of each issue differs markedly by community:

*(Combining 'very concerned' and 'somewhat concerned')*

RESPONSE*	WATER ISSUES	EDUCATION/ SCHOOLS	ECONOMY
Escalon	85.7%	85.7%	100%
Lathrop	70.0%	30.0%	90.0%
Lodi	86.3%	59.1%	59.1%
Manteca	92.3%	88.5%	84.6%
Ripon	28.6%	100%	85.7%
Stockton	44.9%	44.8%	67.2%
Tracy	60.0%	60.0%	90.0%

\*14-Escalon, 20-Lathrop, 44-Lodi, 52-Manteca, 14-Ripon, 116-Stockton, and 40-Tracy

- 35.3% of the residents surveyed had issues/concerns in addition to the three issues discussed. It is important to note that only 12.1% of the residents from Stockton identified additional issues or concerns. While a variety of issues were identified by respondents, the homelessness issue and public safety issues were by far the ones mentioned most.