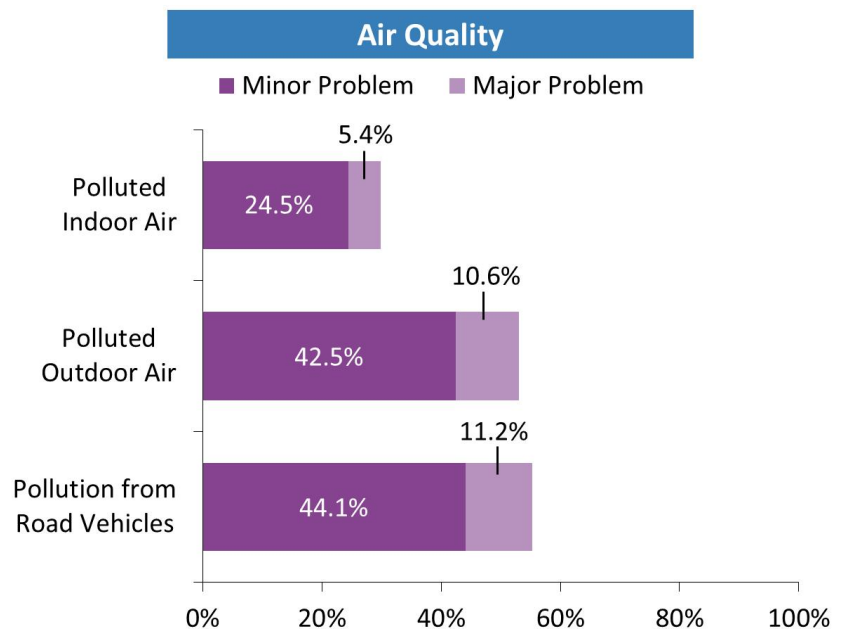


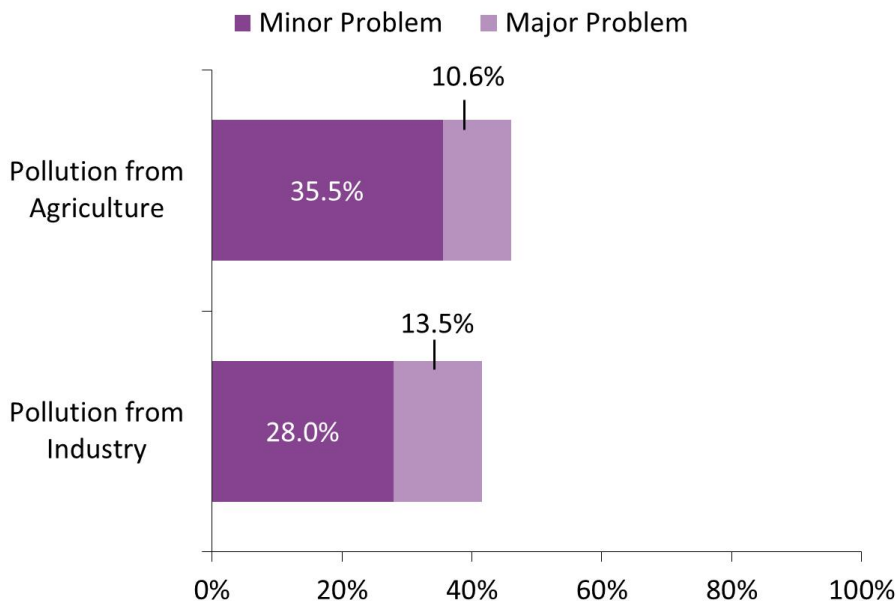
Environmental Health Issues

Key Findings

- The 2013 Community Health Survey asked residents to rate how much of a problem certain environmental health issues were in their home communities. They rated the issues as either major, minor, or no problem at all.
- Countywide, 29.9% of residents said polluted indoor air was a minor or major problem. This is slightly higher than what residents reported in 2010 (21%).
- Additionally, 53.1% of residents said polluted outdoor air was a problem. This rate has also increased since 2010 (43%).
- Pollution from road vehicles was the most frequently reported air quality problem reported across Weld County, as 55.3% of residents said there was a minor or major problem in their area with this issue.



Pollution from Agriculture and Industry



- Residents were also asked about whether pollution from agricultural operations and industry (including oil and gas drilling) was a problem. Countywide, 46.1% of residents said pollution from agriculture, and 41.5% of residents said pollution from industry was a problem.
- About 5 out of 10 residents of Greeley/Evans said pollution from agricultural operations was a problem whereas about 4 out of 10 residents in other regions of the county said agricultural pollution was a problem.
- Also about half of Greeley/Evans residents said pollution from industry (including oil and gas drilling) was a problem compared to only about 3 out of 10 residents in other regions of the county.



Weld County 2013 Community Health Survey

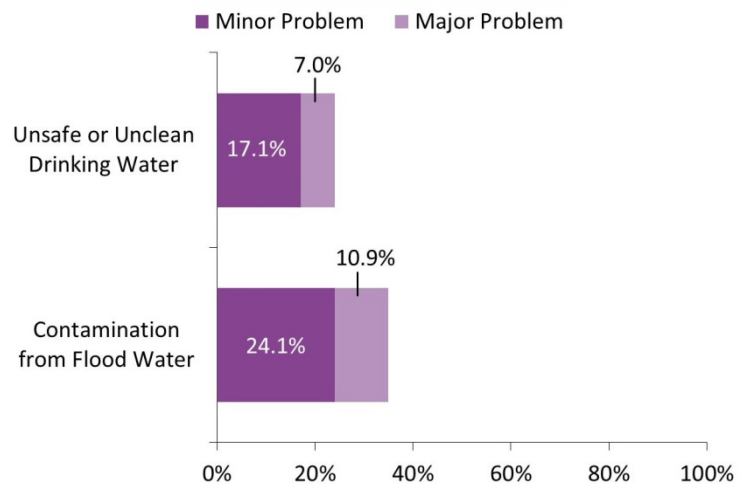
Key Findings

- About 1 in 4 Weld County residents said unsafe or unclean drinking water (24.1%) was a problem, and about 1 in 3 said contamination from flood water (35%) was a problem.
- Nearly half of Greeley/Evans residents said contamination from flood water (48%) was a minor or major problem. About one-third of residents (30%) in the Southwest region said this was a problem in their area.
- Flies and mosquitos were a problem for about 3 in 4 residents – 69.5% said too many flies was a problem, and 72.8% said too many mosquitos was a problem.
- The percentage of residents reporting that the number of mosquitos was a problem decreased by 11% between 2010 (82%) and 2013 (73%), whereas the percentage of residents reporting that the number of flies was a problem stayed about the same between 2010 and 2013.
- Problems with other environmental health issues indicates that residents may be interested in environmental health improvement projects: Countywide, 41.8% of residents felt not enough sidewalks and trails was a problem, and 45.7% thought not enough options to recycle was a problem.
- Resident reports of problems with not enough sidewalks or trails is highest among residents in the Southwest region (48%) and lowest among residents in the North region (29%). Reports of problems with not enough recycling options was highest among residents of Greeley /Evans(54%).

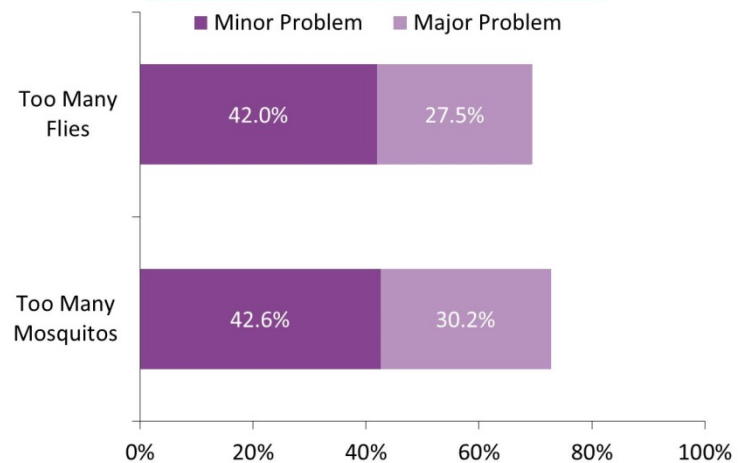
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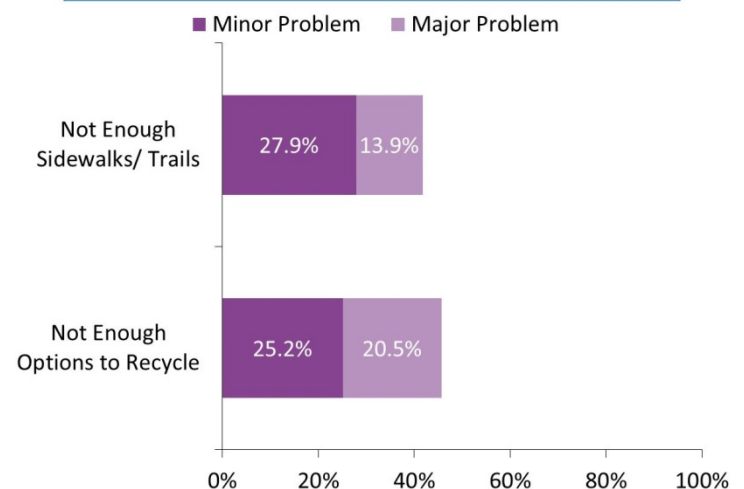
Water Safety



Problems with Flies and Mosquitos



Other Environmental Health Issues

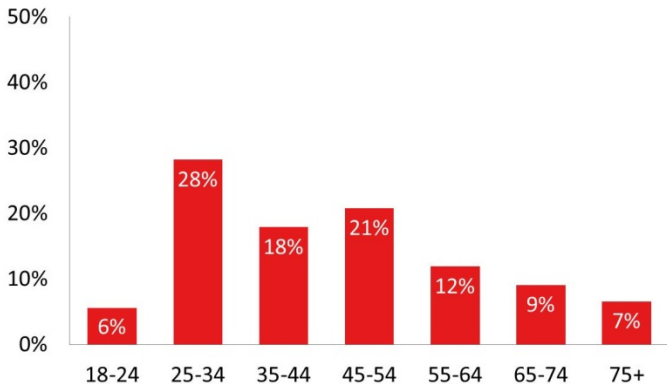


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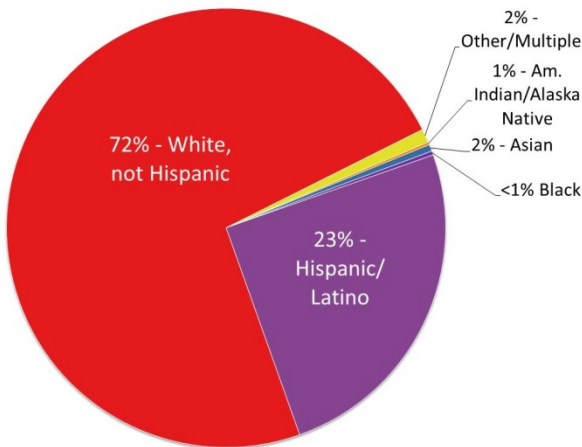
About the Survey

Description of Responders

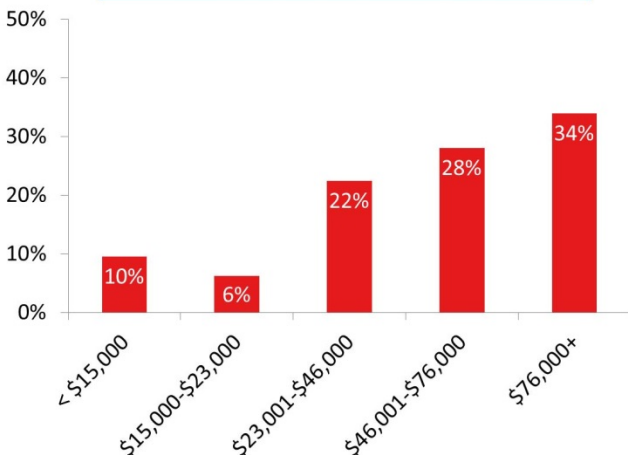
Age Groups



Race/Ethnicity



Household Income



The Survey Explained

- In order to periodically assess the health status of county residents, between October 15, 2013 and February 14, 2014, Weld County Department of Public Health & Environment contacted 7,502 households by mail requesting an adult to complete the 65-item survey or complete it online.
- Question topics included health, health care access and insurance, health conditions and lifestyle habits, preventive screenings, environmental issues, community concerns and needs, demographics, and the 2013 Flood Disaster.
- Households were selected randomly by first dividing the mailing list into **four regions (see map below)** and two household types (single-family vs. multi-family). The list was certified by the post office but did not contain residents' names.
- After multiple contacts, 2,082 community residents returned usable surveys for a 28 percent response rate. The results are representative of the population within a ± 5.0 percent margin of error.
- To see the actual survey go to: www.weldhealth.org

