## Weld County 2016 Community Health Survey

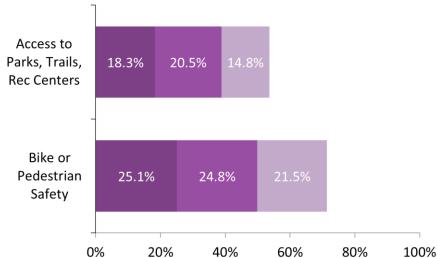
# **Access to Active Transportation**

### **Key Findings**

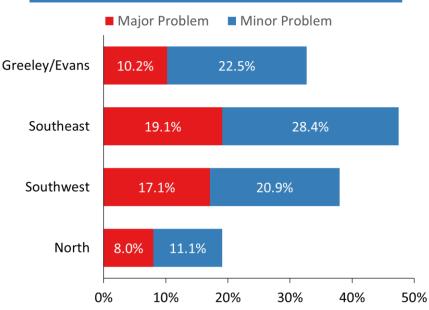
- Walking, biking, and other forms of active transportation provide affordable opportunities to exercise as part of a daily routine. The availability of active transportation increases options available in a community and reduces congestion and air pollution.
- The 2016 Community Health Survey asked residents about concerns related to active transportation, and agreement that it is easy to get around their communities by walking or biking.
- Just over half of residents countywide reported concern about access to parks, trails, and recreation centers (54%). More residents in the Southwest region were concerned (59%) than residents in the North region (41%).
- Countywide, 72% of residents were concerned about bike or pedestrian safety in their communities. Residents of Greeley/Evans most often reported concern (77%), and residents of the North region least often reported concern (63%).
- One in five residents (19%) reported that not having enough sidewalks or trails for walking or biking was a problem. Residents of the Southeast region most often reported this as a problem (48%), and residents of the North region least often reported it as a problem (19%).

## Concern About Safety and Accessibility of Physical Activity and Active Transportation





#### Not Enough Sidewalks/Trails for Walking or Biking



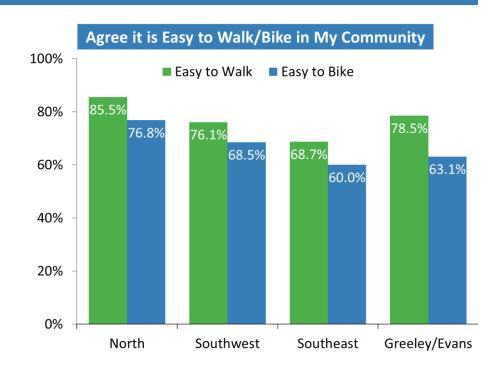




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### **Key Findings**

- Countywide, 3 in 4 residents agreed it was easy to walk in their communities (77%), and 2 in 3 residents agreed it was easy to bike in their communities (66%).
- Walkability and bikeability varied slightly by region, but in every region residents reported it was easier to walk than to bike.
- About 86% of residents living in the North region reported it was easy to walk and 77% said it was easy to bike in their community, whereas 69% of residents of the Southeast region reported it was easy to walk and 60% said it was easy to bike in their community.
- Countywide, about 5 in 10 residents (51%) agreed it was possible to get to many places they needed to go by walking or biking. Residents of the North region (55%) and Greeley/Evans (54%) reported the most agreement, and residents of the Southwest (44%) and Southeast (44%) reported the least agreement.
- Hispanic/Latino residents more often agreed it was possible to get places needed to go by walking or biking (60%) compared to residents who were not Hispanic/Latino (48%).





#### **Questions?**

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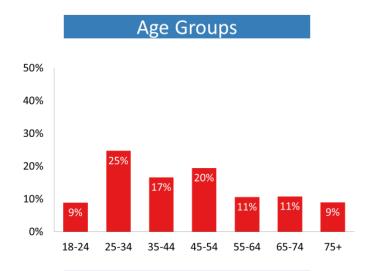




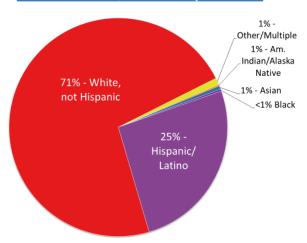
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### **About the Survey**

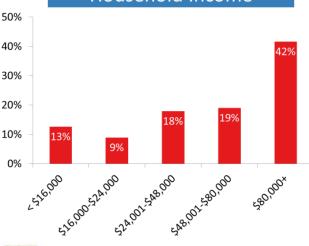
### **Description of Responders**



#### Race/Ethnicity



#### Household Income



#### **The Survey Explained**

- In order to periodically assess the health status of county residents, between September 6, 2016 and November 17, 2016, Weld County Department of Public Health & Environment contacted 8,494 households by mail requesting an adult to complete the 55-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, and demographics.
- 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, 2,080 community residents returned usable surveys for a 25 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

