

## **Unified Family Services Systems**



**Bedford County's Collaborative Board**

# **Survey of Bedford County's 2020 seniors**

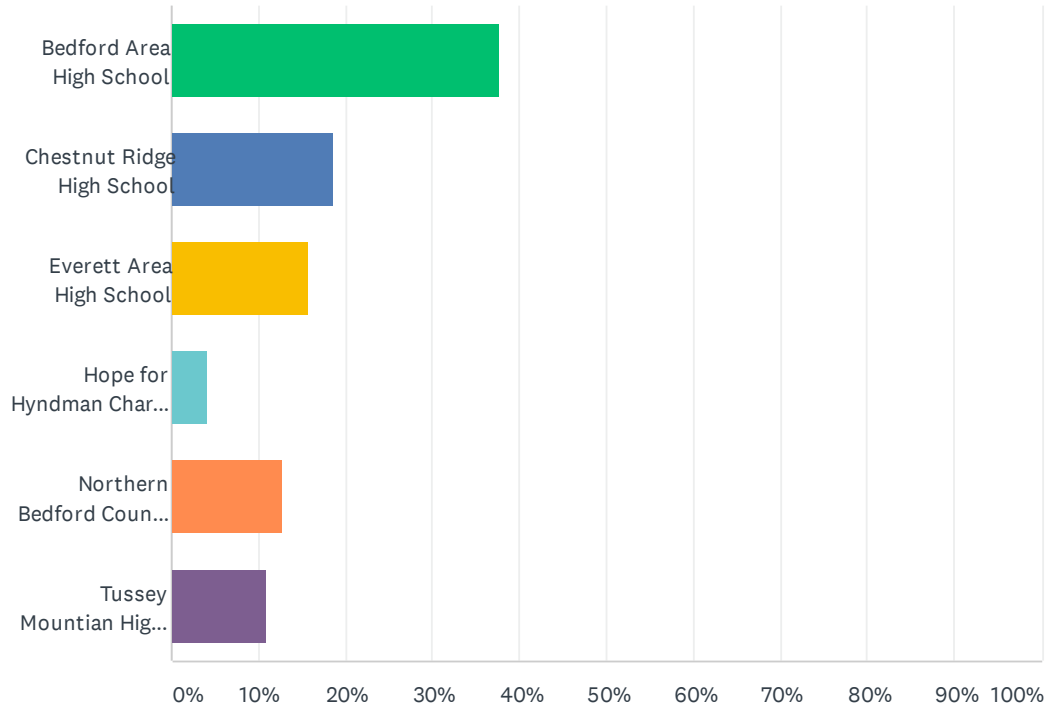
Online survey conducted in May 2020 by Unified Family Services Systems on behalf of Bedford County's Young Adult Committee, an initiative that seeks to retain and recruit young adults to build their careers and families in Bedford County, PA.

Survey was conducted in cooperation with all Bedford County school districts and charter school. Respondents represent more than half of the entire 2020 senior class.

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## Q1 What school do you attend?

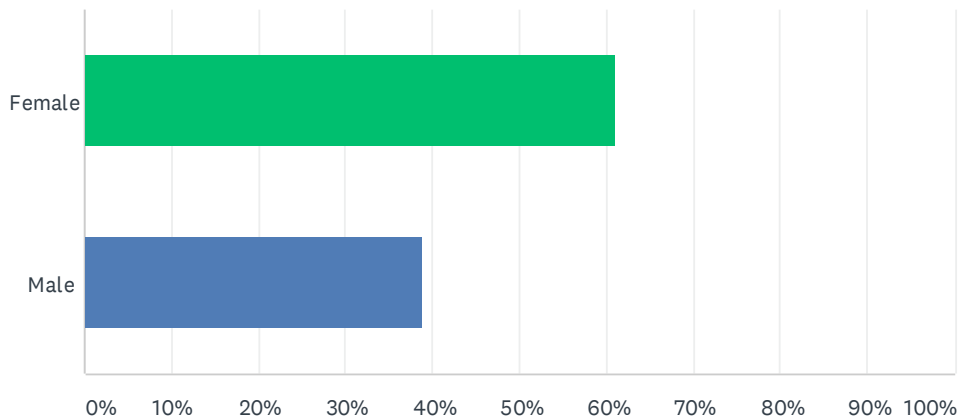
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Bedford Area High School	37.70%	115
Chestnut Ridge High School	18.69%	57
Everett Area High School	15.74%	48
Hope for Hyndman Charter School	4.26%	13
Northern Bedford County High School	12.79%	39
Tussey Mountain High School	10.82%	33
Total Respondents: 305		

## Q2 Gender:

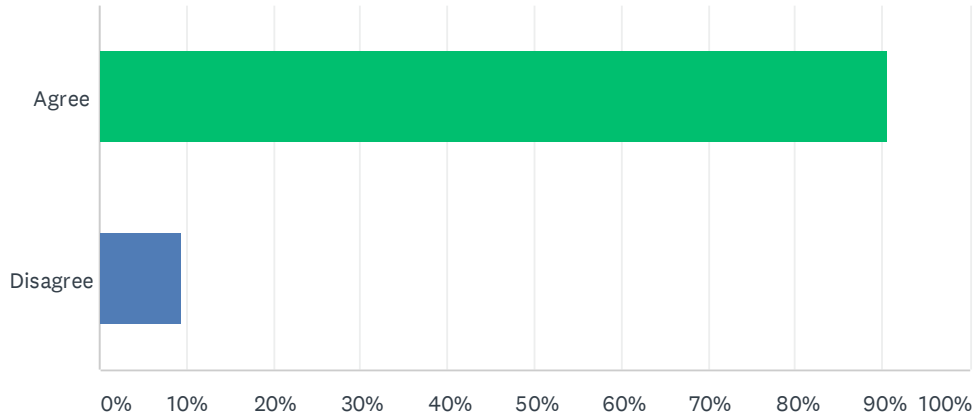
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Female	60.98%	186
Male	39.02%	119
Total Respondents: 305		

### Q3 My K-12 education prepared me for my future education/career path

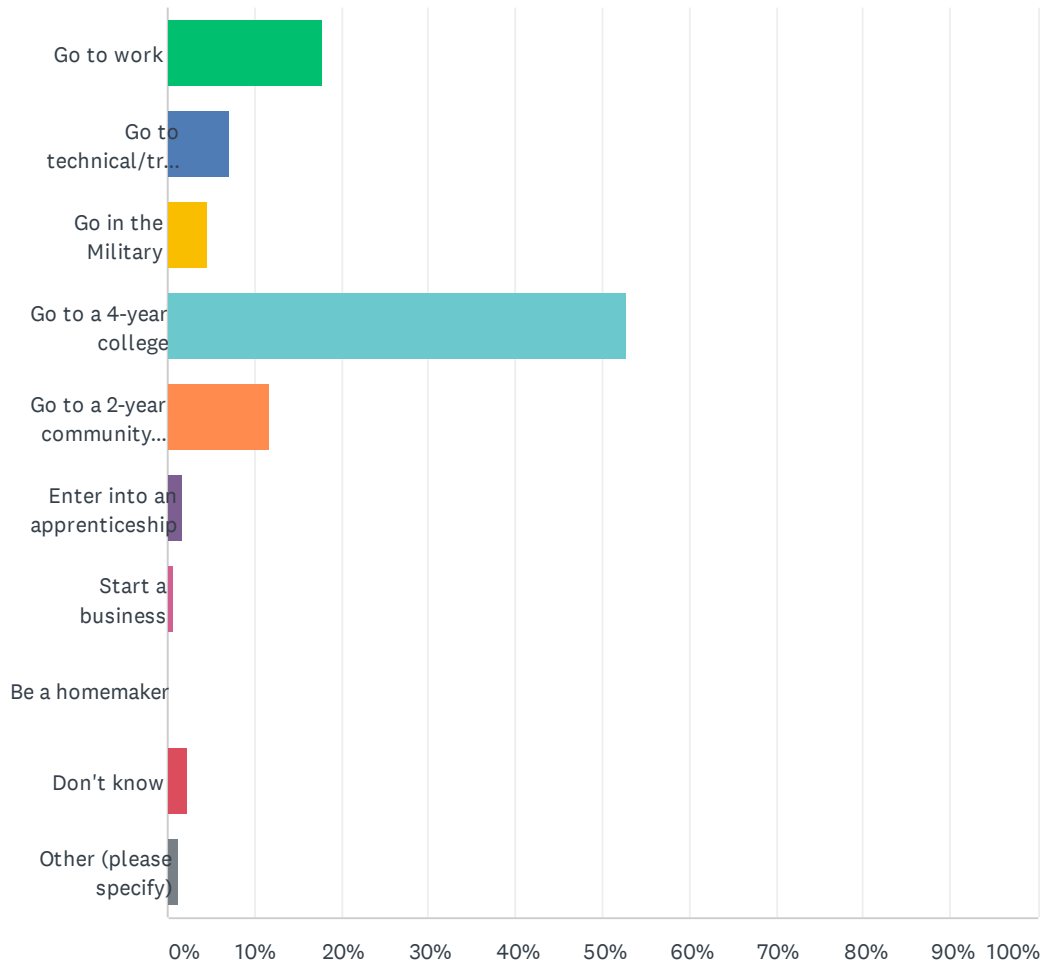
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Agree	90.49%	276
Disagree	9.51%	29
TOTAL		305

## Q4 Check the answer that most describes your post high-school plans:

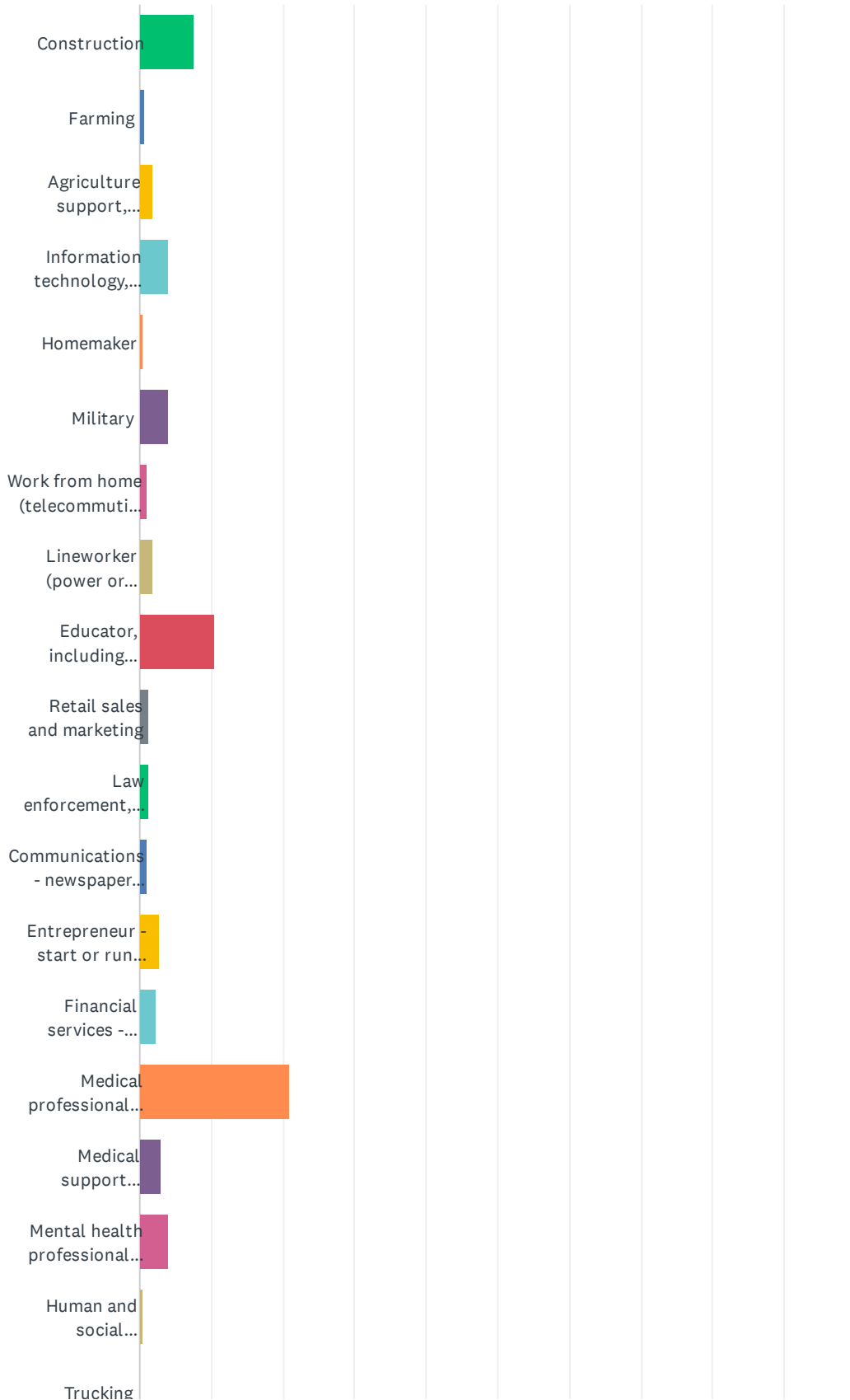
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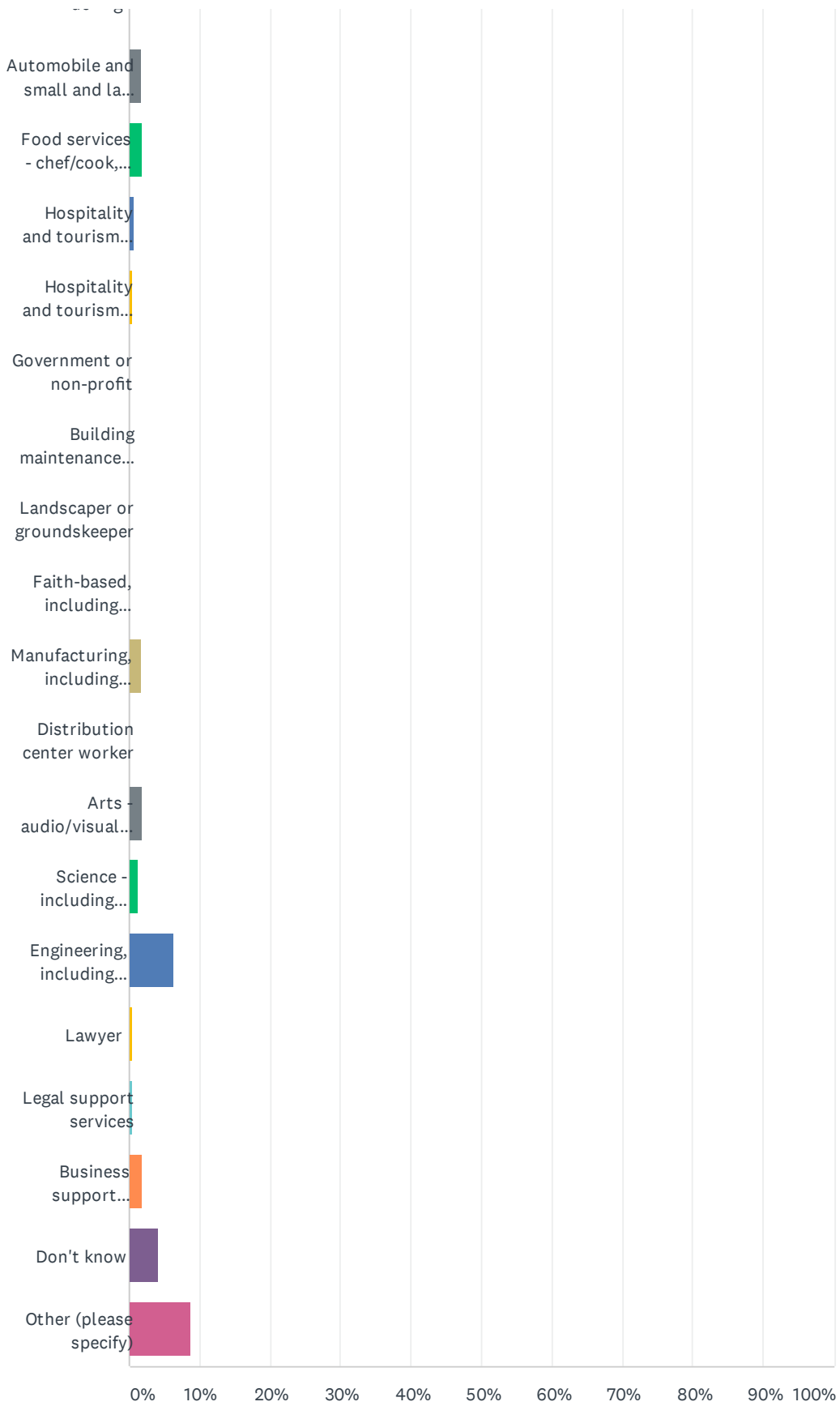
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Go to work	17.70%	54
Go to technical/trade school	7.21%	22
Go in the Military	4.59%	14
Go to a 4-year college	52.79%	161
Go to a 2-year community college	11.80%	36
Enter into an apprenticeship	1.64%	5
Start a business	0.66%	2
Be a homemaker	0.00%	0
Don't know	2.30%	7
Other (please specify)	1.31%	4
Total Respondents: 305		

# Q5 Check the answer that most describes your future career field

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Construction	7.54%	23
Farming	0.66%	2
Agriculture support, including animal nutritionist, farm equipment sales, farm supply sales, etc.	1.97%	6
Information technology, including networking, computer repair, cyber security, web developer, etc.	3.93%	12
Homemaker	0.33%	1
Military	3.93%	12
Work from home (telecommuting, telemarketing, etc.)	0.98%	3
Lineworker (power or telephone lineman)	1.97%	6
Educator, including elementary, secondary teacher, instructional assistant	10.49%	32
Retail sales and marketing	1.31%	4
Law enforcement, including state or local police, correctional or probation officer, etc.	1.31%	4
Communications - newspaper reporter/editor, technical writer, public relations, etc.	0.98%	3
Entrepreneur - start or run a business	2.62%	8
Financial services - banking, financial advisor, accountant, etc.	2.30%	7
Medical professional - doctor, nurse, dentist, nurse practitioner, physician assistant, anesthesiologist, physical or occupational therapist	20.98%	64
Medical support professional - nursing assistant, LPN, x-ray technician, home health aide, dental hygienist, etc.	2.95%	9
Mental health professional - psychologist or psychiatrist, counselor, drug and alcohol treatment specialist, etc.	3.93%	12
Human and social services, including family caseworker and social worker	0.33%	1
Trucking	0.00%	0
Automobile and small and large truck repair and maintenance, body work specialist	1.64%	5
Food services - chef/cook, baker, restaurant management, server, bartender, etc.	1.97%	6
Hospitality and tourism administration - events planner, hotel management, etc.	0.66%	2
Hospitality and tourism support - front desk, tour or venue guide, cleaner, etc.	0.33%	1
Government or non-profit	0.00%	0
Building maintenance engineer	0.00%	0
Landscaper or groundskeeper	0.00%	0
Faith-based, including minister, missionary	0.00%	0
Manufacturing, including welder, assembler, CNC operator, etc.	1.64%	5
Distribution center worker	0.00%	0
Arts - audio/visual, fine arts and crafts	1.97%	6
Science - including careers that emphasize biological science, chemistry	1.31%	4
Engineering, including civil, electro-mechanical, etc.	6.23%	19

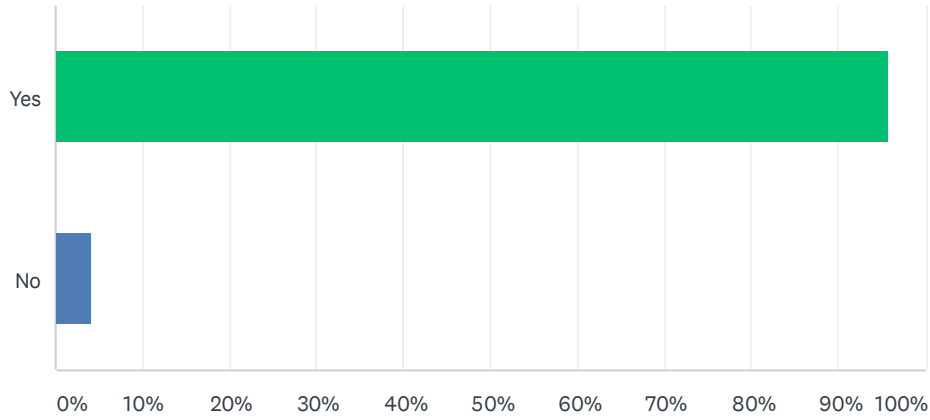


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Lawyer	0.33%	1
Legal support services	0.33%	1
Business support services, including office manager, human resource manager, administrative assistant, secretary, receptionist, etc.	1.97%	6
Don't know	4.26%	13
Other (please specify)	8.85%	27
Total Respondents: 305		

## Q6 Do you currently live in Bedford County?

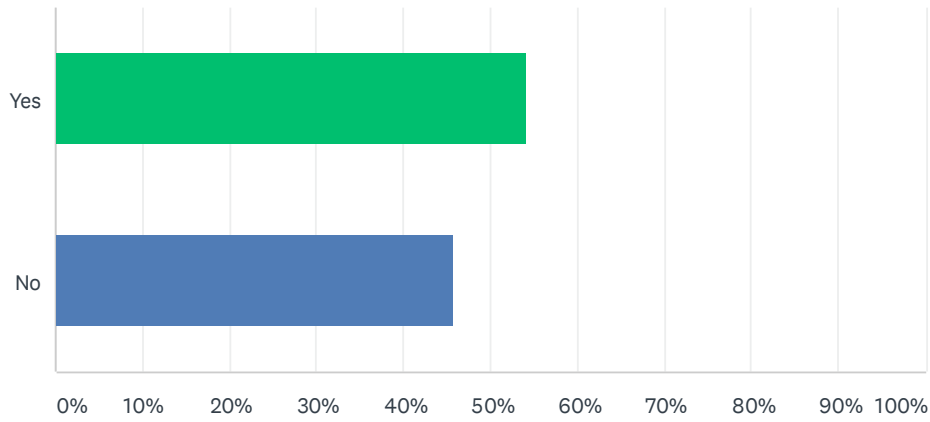
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	95.79%	273
No	4.21%	12
TOTAL		285

### Q7 Are you likely to be living in Bedford County when you're 25 year-old?

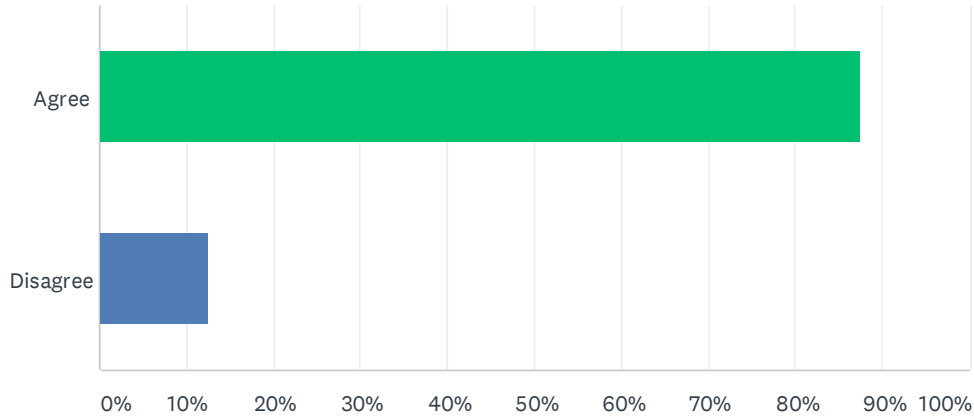
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	54.20%	155
No	45.80%	131
TOTAL		286

## Q8 Bedford County is a great place to raise a family

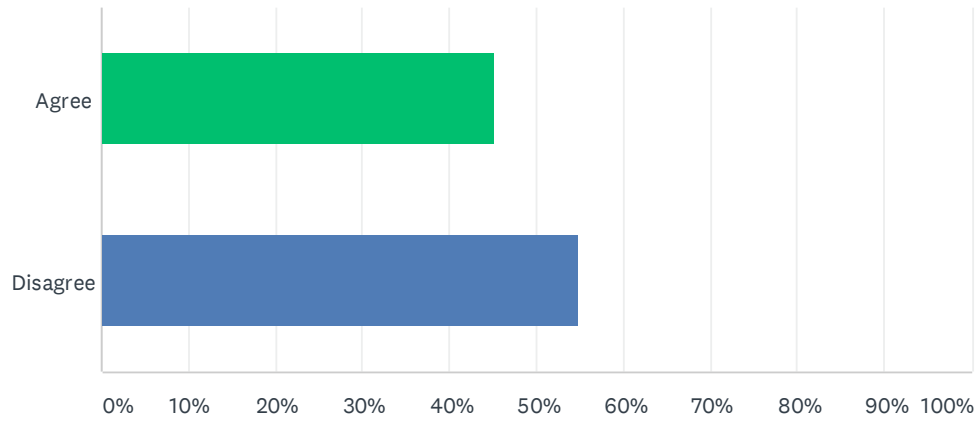
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Agree	87.41%	250
Disagree	12.59%	36
TOTAL		286

## Q9 Bedford County is a great place to build a career

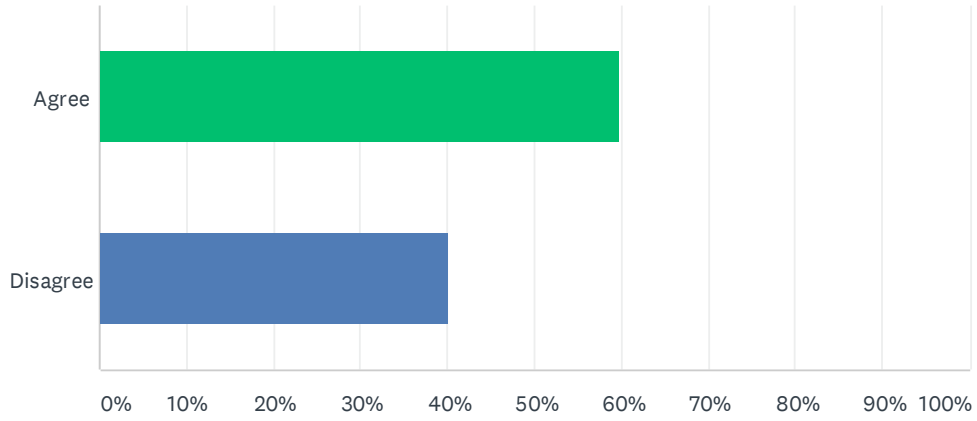
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Agree	45.10%	129
Disagree	54.90%	157
TOTAL		286

## Q10 There is not enough cultural diversity and acceptance of differences in Bedford County

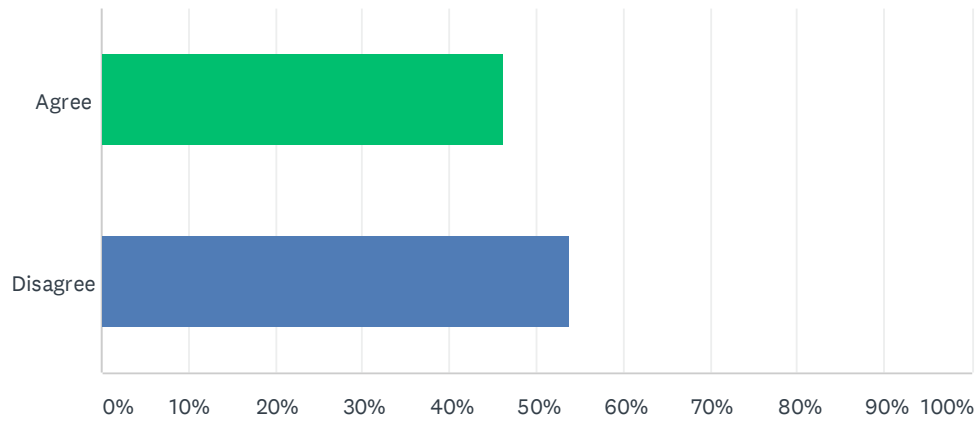
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Agree	59.79%	171
Disagree	40.21%	115
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### Q11 I think there are good professional opportunities for me in Bedford County

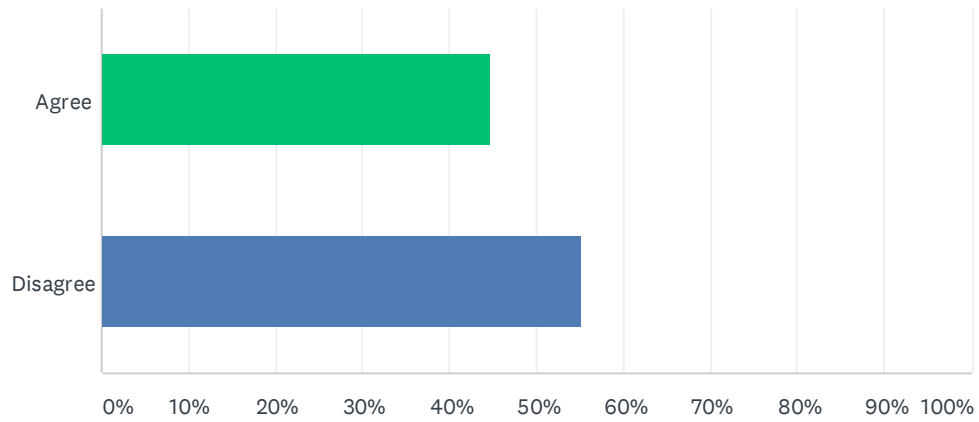
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Agree	46.15%	132
Disagree	53.85%	154
TOTAL		286

## Q12 There is enough to do after school/work in the county, especially after 5 p.m.

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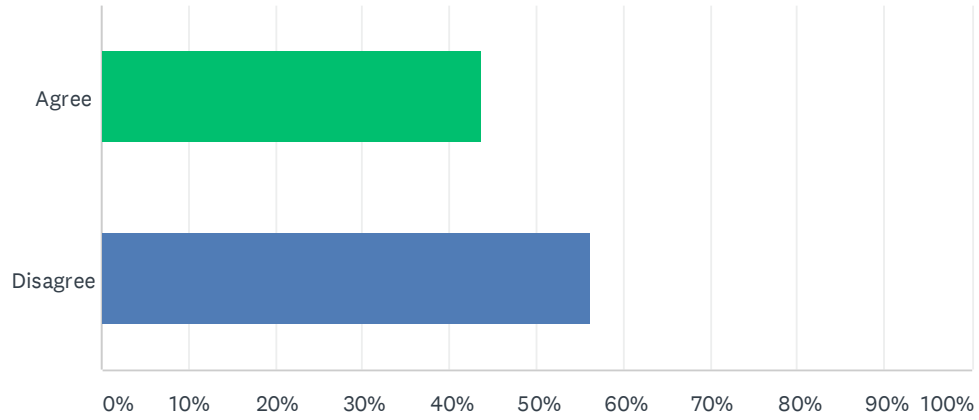


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Agree	44.76%	128
Disagree	55.24%	158
TOTAL		286



### Q13 There is enough to do on the weekends in Bedford County

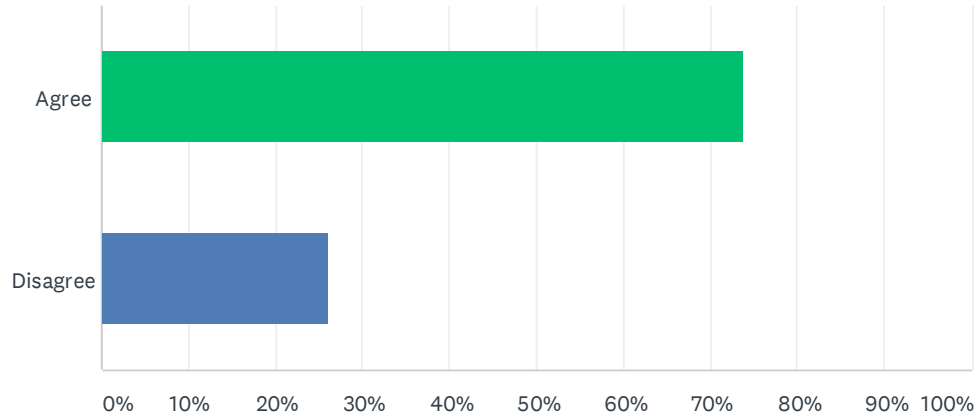
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Agree	43.71%	125
Disagree	56.29%	161
TOTAL		286

### Q14 There are affordable, attractive housing options for me in the county

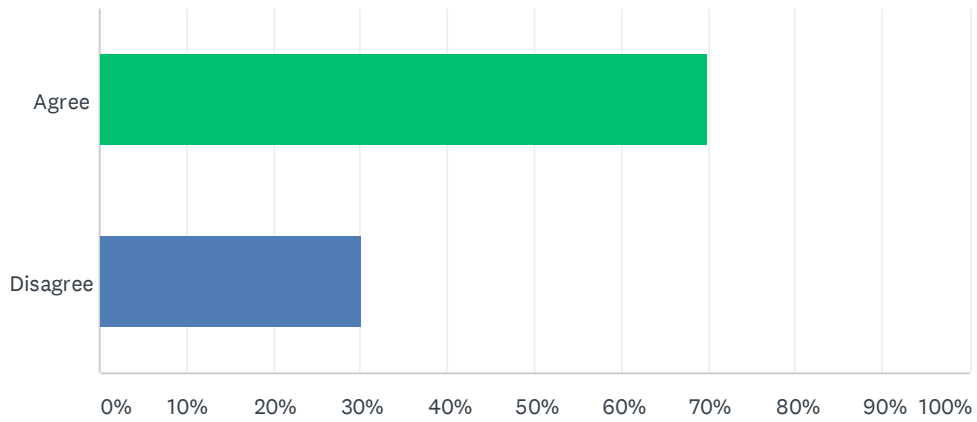
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Agree	73.78%	211
Disagree	26.22%	75
TOTAL		286

### Q15 Bedford County needs a recreation center and I would use one if it were built

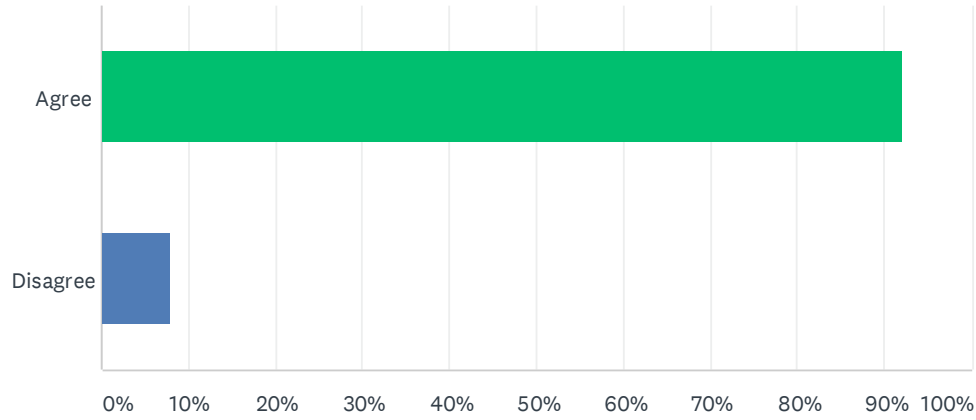
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Agree	69.93%	200
Disagree	30.07%	86
TOTAL		286

## Q16 Bedford County is a safe place to live

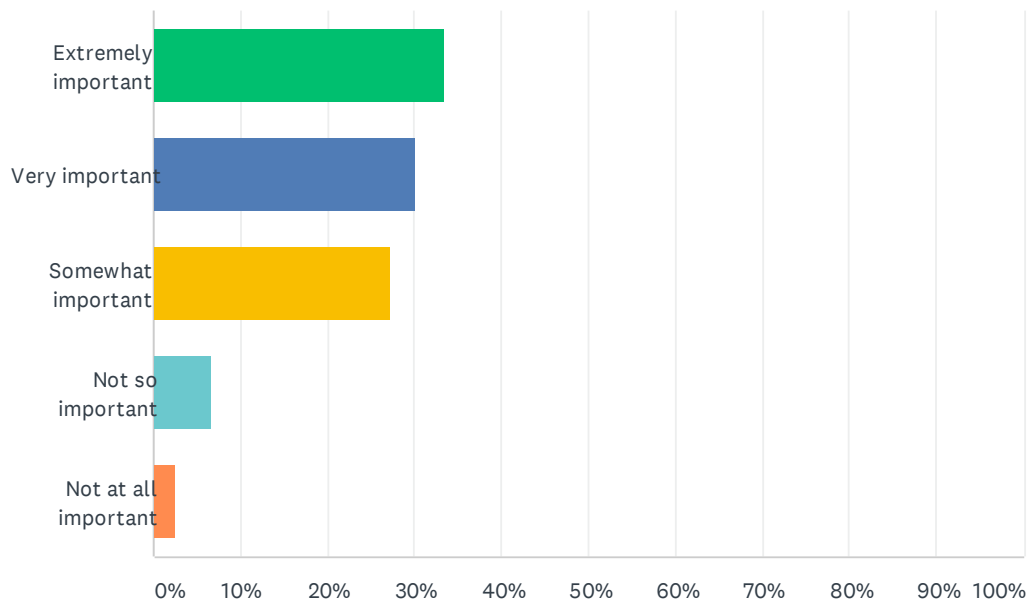
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Agree	91.96%	263
Disagree	8.04%	23
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## Q17 How important are ties to family and friends to your decision to live in Bedford County?

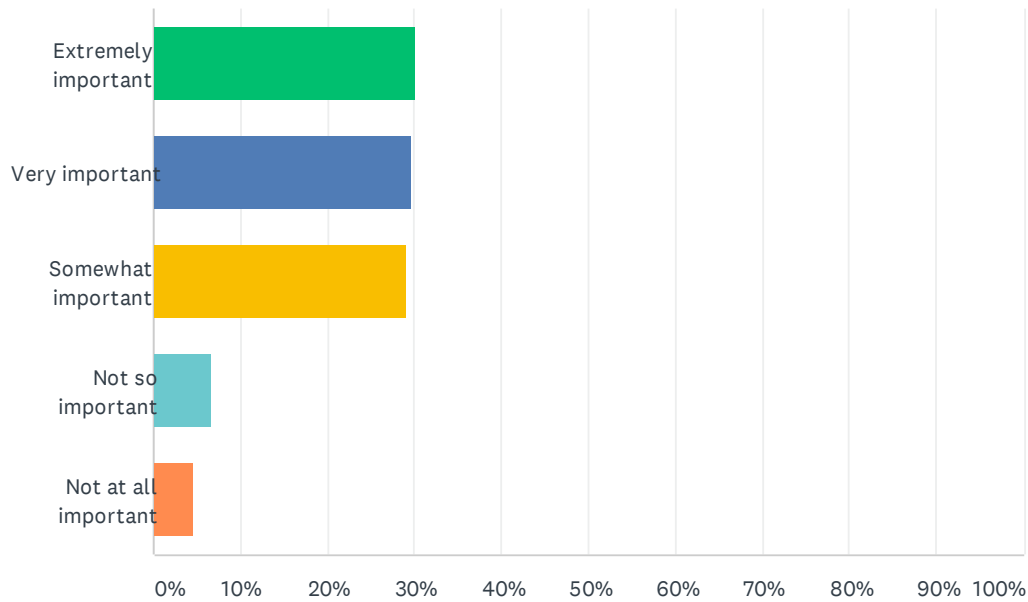
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely important	33.57%	96
Very important	30.07%	86
Somewhat important	27.27%	78
Not so important	6.64%	19
Not at all important	2.45%	7
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>286</b>

## Q18 How important is the county's open countryside and small-town atmosphere to your decision to live in Bedford County?

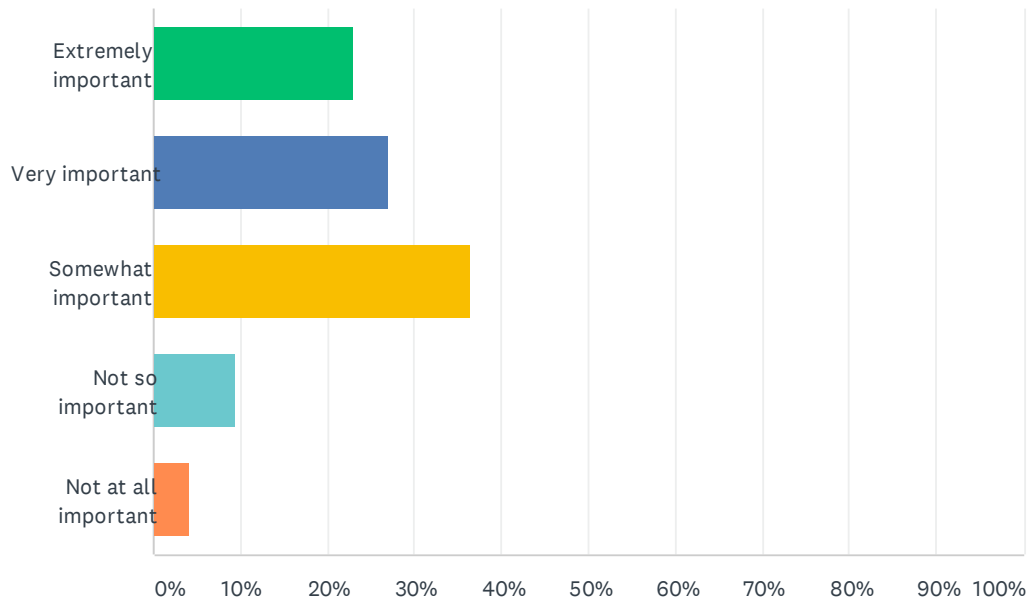
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely important	30.07%	86
Very important	29.72%	85
Somewhat important	29.02%	83
Not so important	6.64%	19
Not at all important	4.55%	13
TOTAL		286

## Q19 How important will things to do after school/work be to your decision to live in Bedford County?

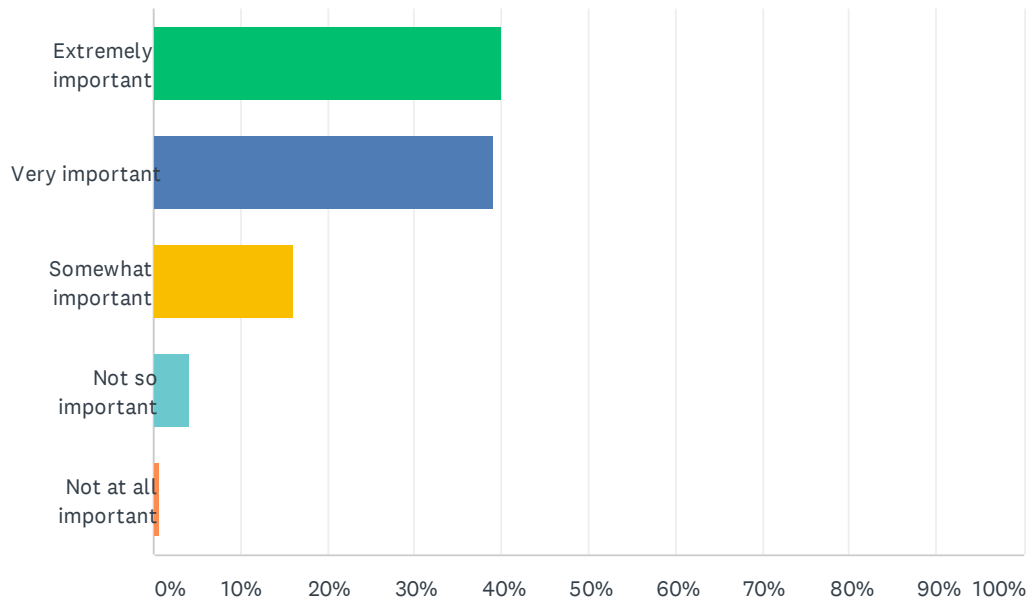
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely important	23.08%	66
Very important	26.92%	77
Somewhat important	36.36%	104
Not so important	9.44%	27
Not at all important	4.20%	12
TOTAL		286

## Q20 How important is being able to find an apartment/townhouse/house that you like?

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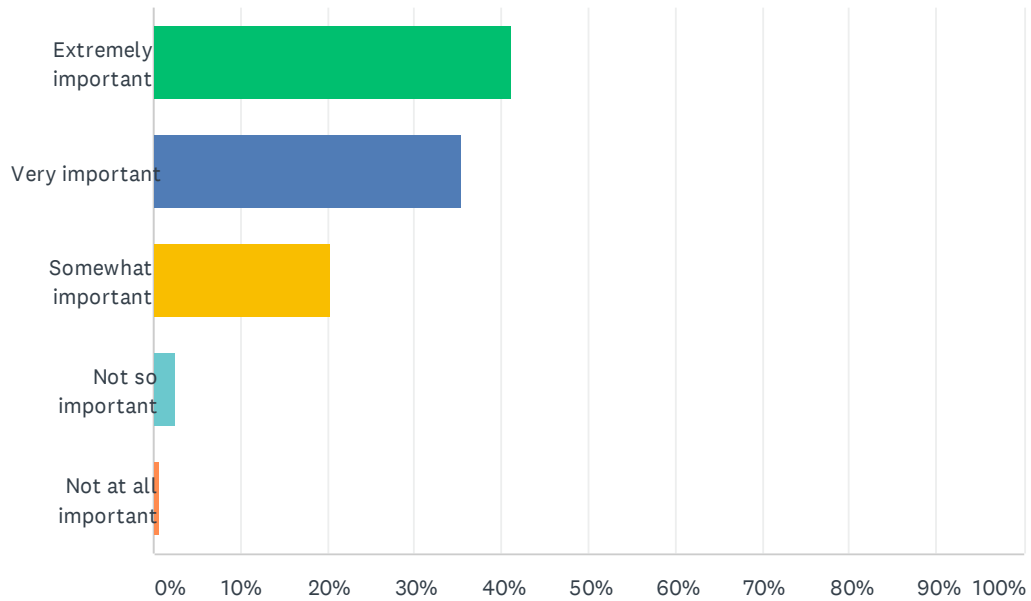


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely important	39.86%	114
Very important	39.16%	112
Somewhat important	16.08%	46
Not so important	4.20%	12
Not at all important	0.70%	2
TOTAL		286



## Q21 How important is high-speed Internet access to you?

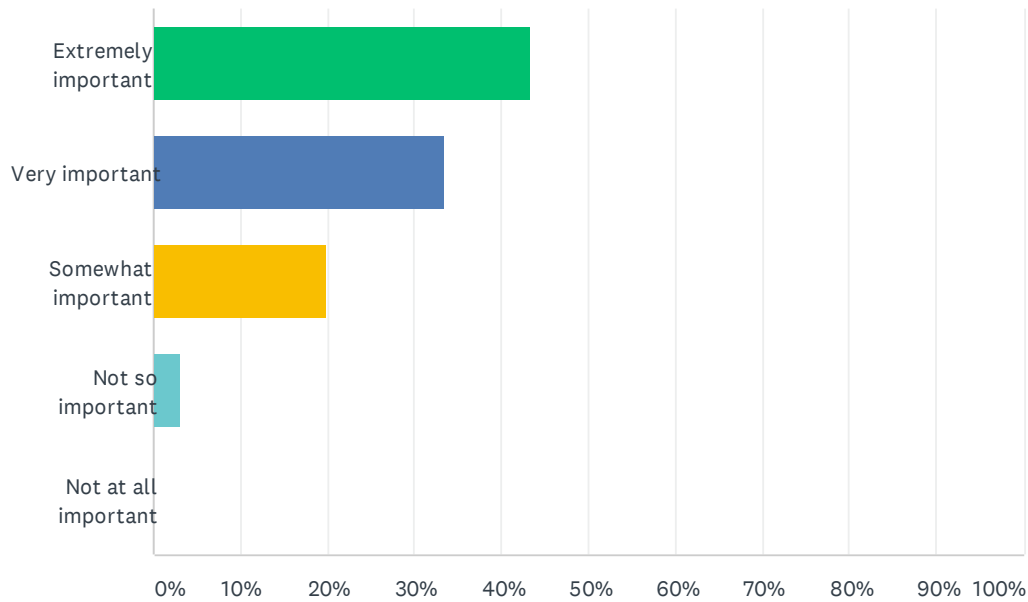
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely important	41.26%	118
Very important	35.31%	101
Somewhat important	20.28%	58
Not so important	2.45%	7
Not at all important	0.70%	2
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>286</b>

## Q22 How important is the availability of widespread cell phone service to you?

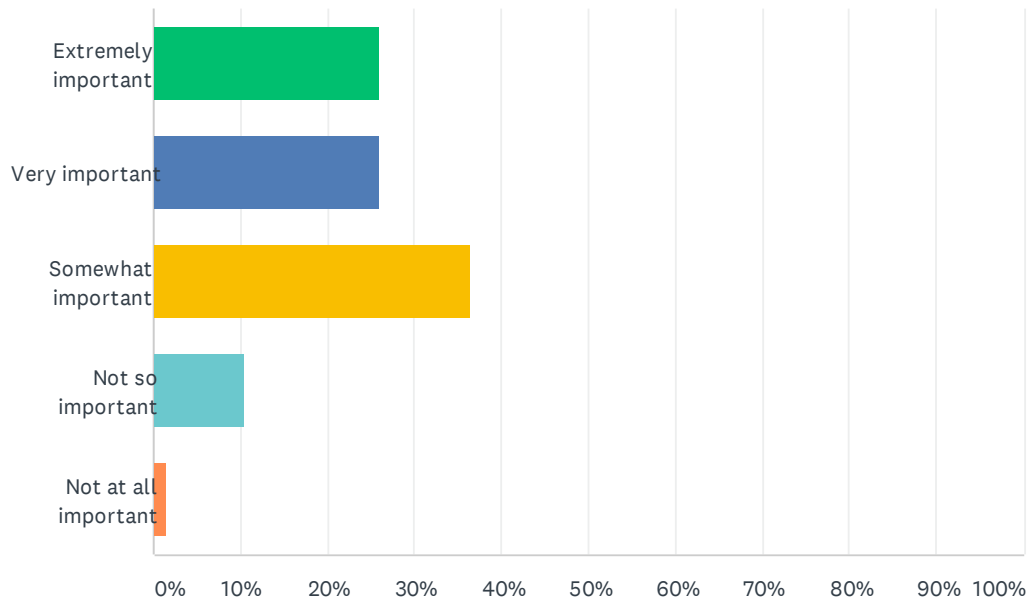
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely important	43.36%	124
Very important	33.57%	96
Somewhat important	19.93%	57
Not so important	3.15%	9
Not at all important	0.00%	0
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>286</b>

## Q23 How important is having a greater variety of shopping and restaurants to you?

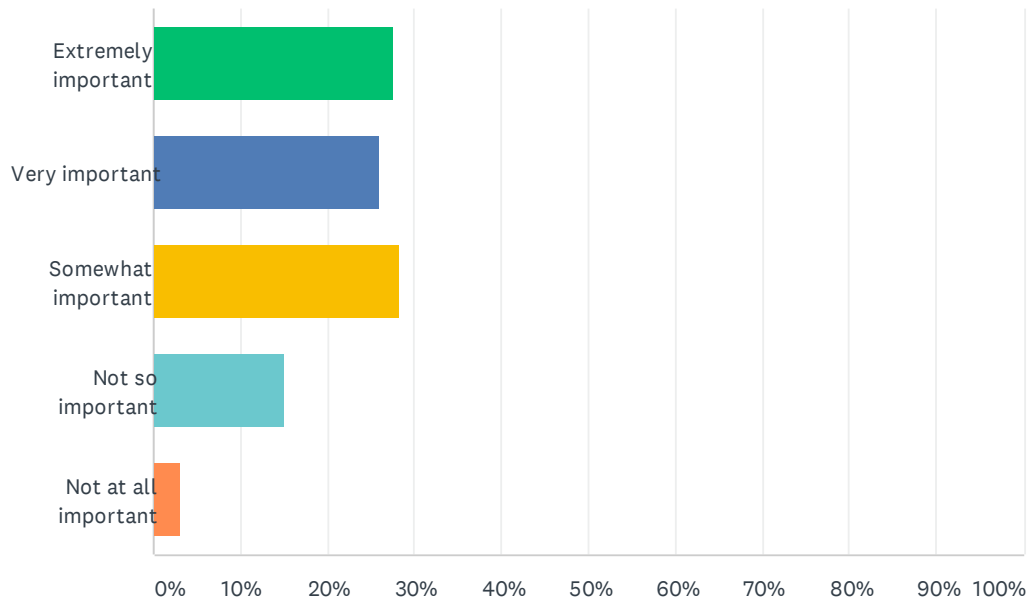
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely important	25.87%	74
Very important	25.87%	74
Somewhat important	36.36%	104
Not so important	10.49%	30
Not at all important	1.40%	4
TOTAL		286

## Q24 How important is it to you to experience different places to live and meet new people?

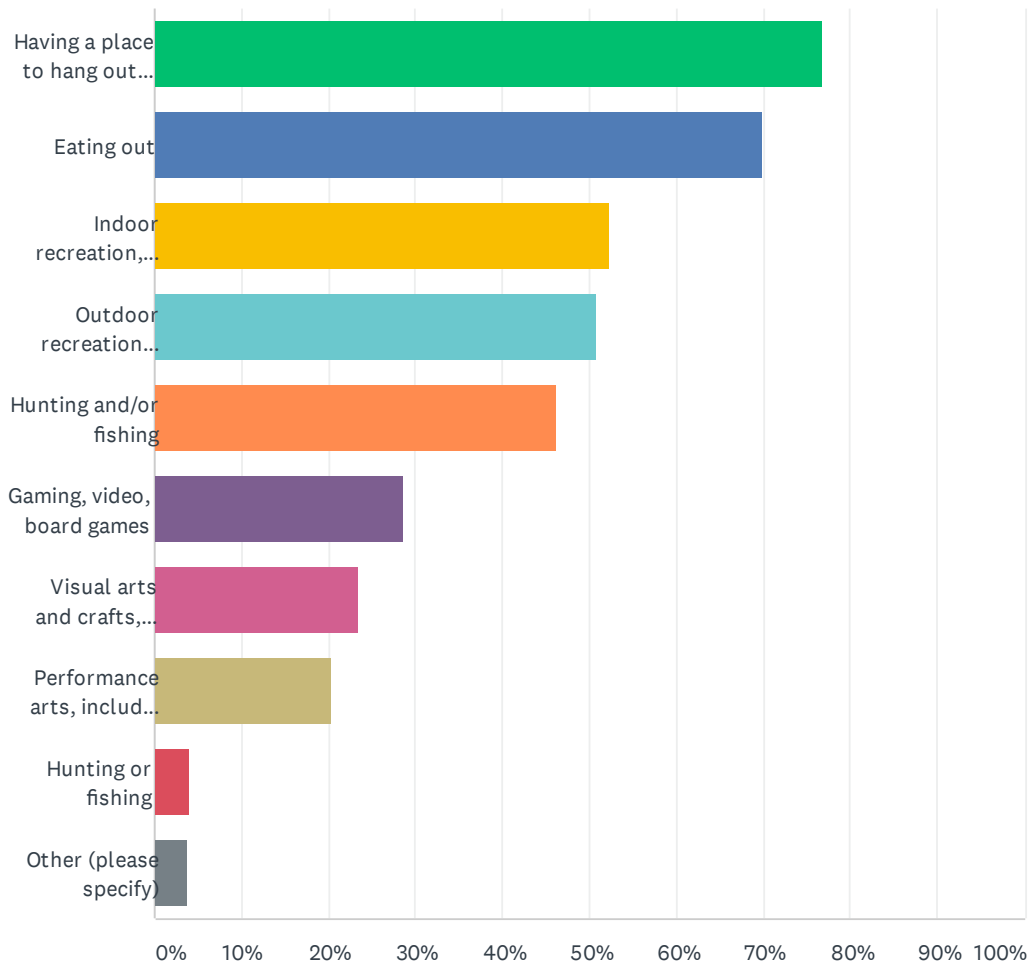
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely important	27.62%	79
Very important	25.87%	74
Somewhat important	28.32%	81
Not so important	15.03%	43
Not at all important	3.15%	9
TOTAL		286

### Q25 Please choose activities and/or access to activities that you think will be important to you after you graduate (check all that apply):

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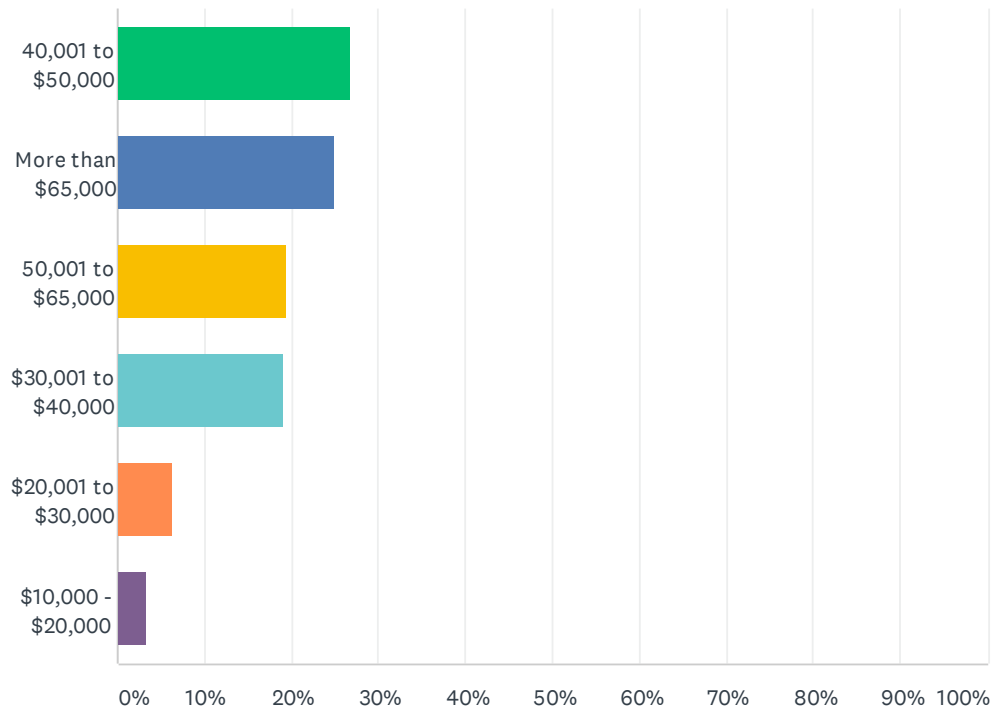


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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Having a place to hang out with friends	76.84%	209
Eating out	69.85%	190
Indoor recreation, including basketball, working out, yoga, volleyball, etc.	52.21%	142
Outdoor recreation (other than hunting and fishing)	50.74%	138
Hunting and/or fishing	46.32%	126
Gaming, video, board games	28.68%	78
Visual arts and crafts, including arts and crafts galleries, places to paint, draw, make pottery, etc.	23.53%	64
Performance arts, including drama and music	20.22%	55
Hunting or fishing	4.04%	11
Other (please specify)	3.68%	10
Total Respondents: 272		

## Q26 What annual salary range would you need to earn when you're 25 to stay in Bedford County (check one)

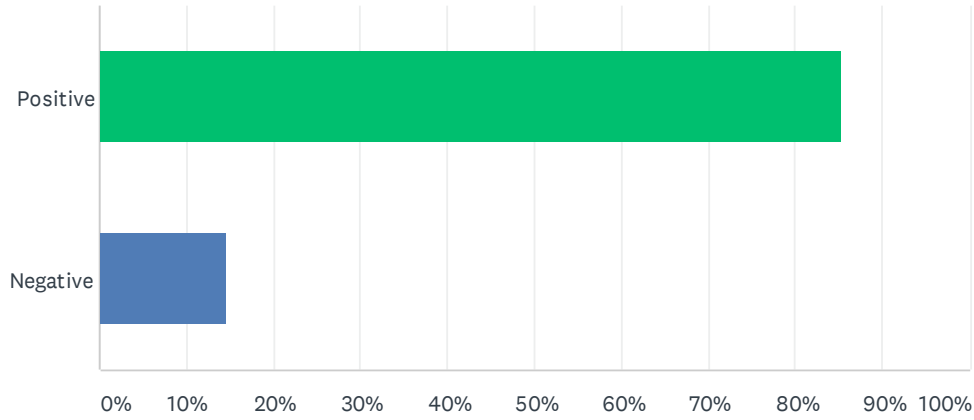
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
40,001 to \$50,000	26.84%	73
More than \$65,000	25.00%	68
50,001 to \$65,000	19.49%	53
\$30,001 to \$40,000	19.12%	52
\$20,001 to \$30,000	6.25%	17
\$10,000 - \$20,000	3.31%	9
Total Respondents: 272		

### Q27 Overall, is your opinion of Bedford County positive or negative

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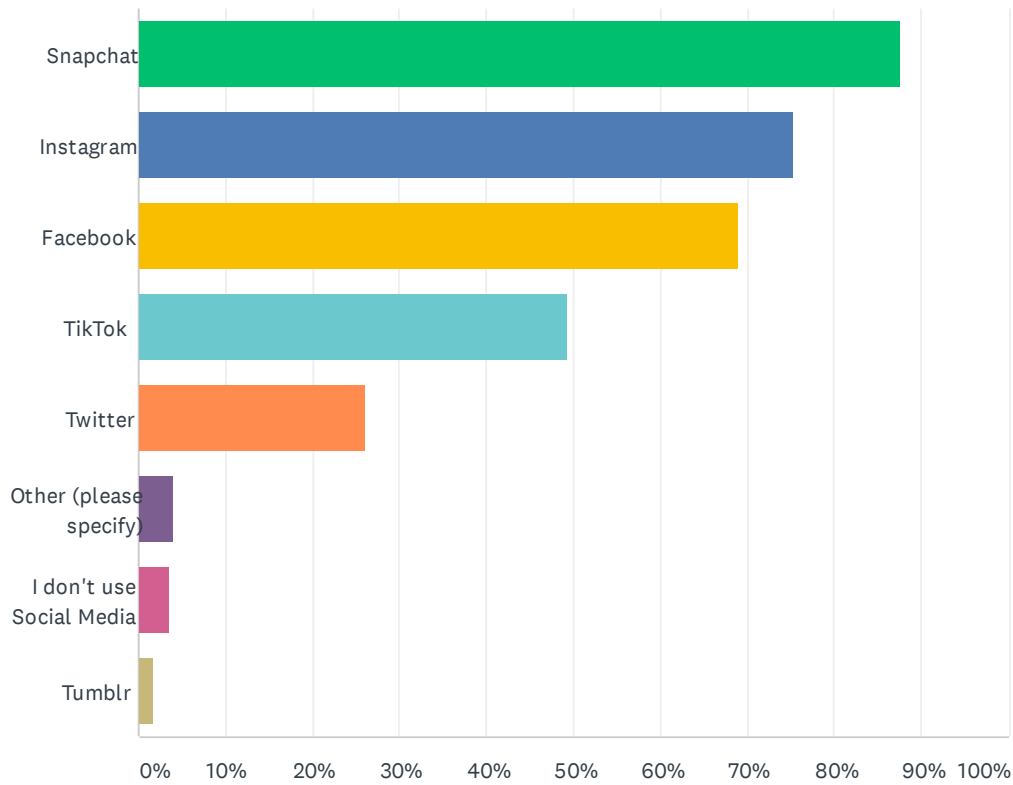


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Positive	85.29%	232
Negative	14.71%	40
TOTAL		272



## Q28 Which forms of social media do you use regularly (check all that apply)?

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Snapchat	87.68%	249
Instagram	75.35%	214
Facebook	69.01%	196
TikTok	49.30%	140
Twitter	26.06%	74
Other (please specify)	3.87%	11
I don't use Social Media	3.52%	10
Tumblr	1.76%	5
Total Respondents: 284		