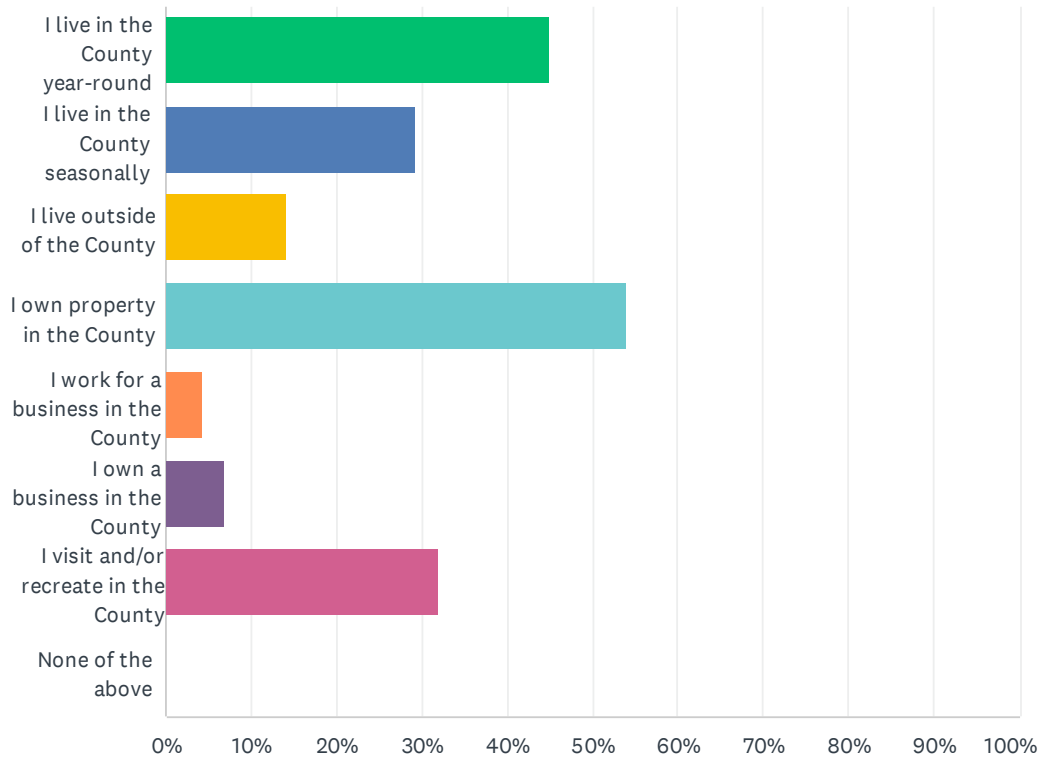


Q1 Which of the following describes your interest in Keweenaw County? Check all that apply.

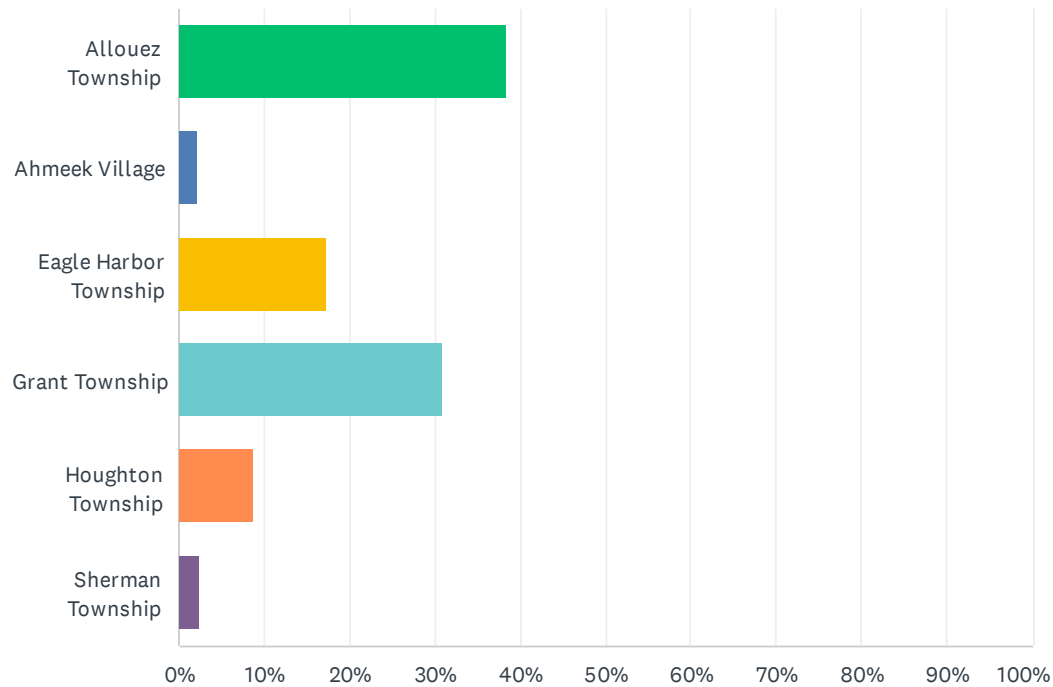
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I live in the County year-round	44.93%	186
I live in the County seasonally	29.23%	121
I live outside of the County	14.01%	58
I own property in the County	53.86%	223
I work for a business in the County	4.35%	18
I own a business in the County	6.76%	28
I visit and/or recreate in the County	31.88%	132
None of the above	0.00%	0
Total Respondents: 414		

Q2 If you are a year-round or seasonal resident, where is your residence?

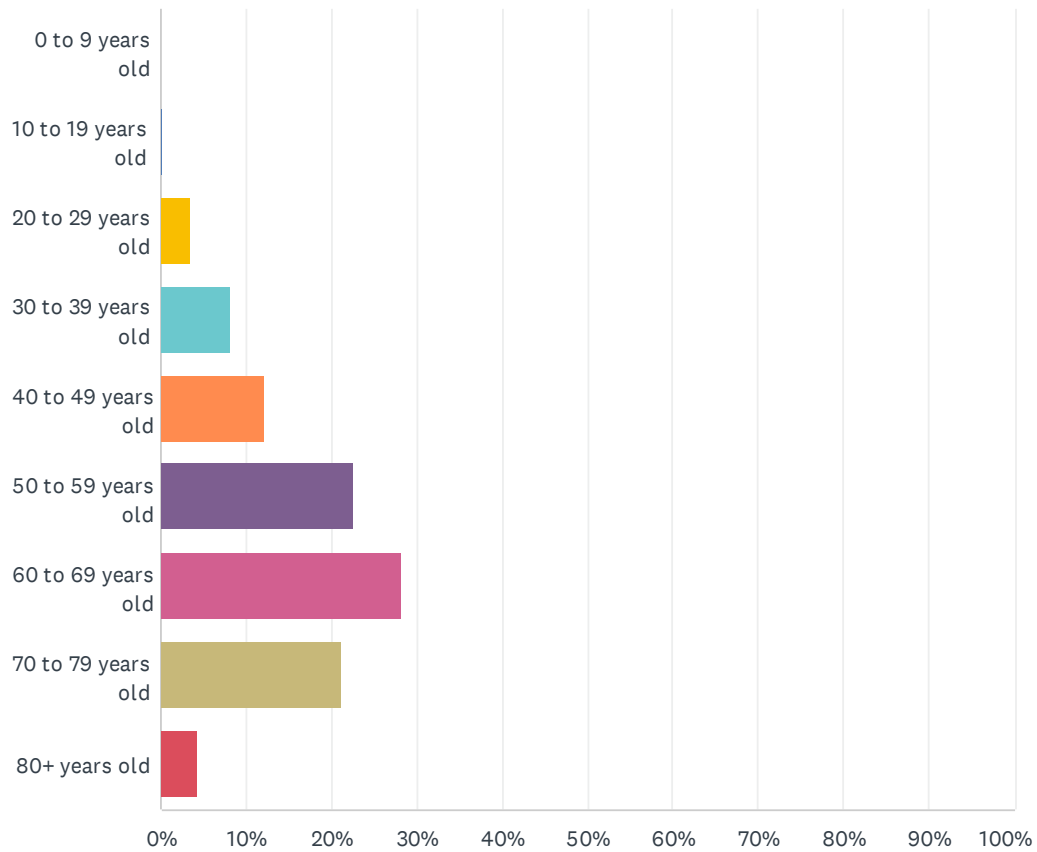
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Allouez Township	38.48%	127
Ahmeek Village	2.12%	7
Eagle Harbor Township	17.27%	57
Grant Township	30.91%	102
Houghton Township	8.79%	29
Sherman Township	2.42%	8
TOTAL		330

Q3 What is your age?

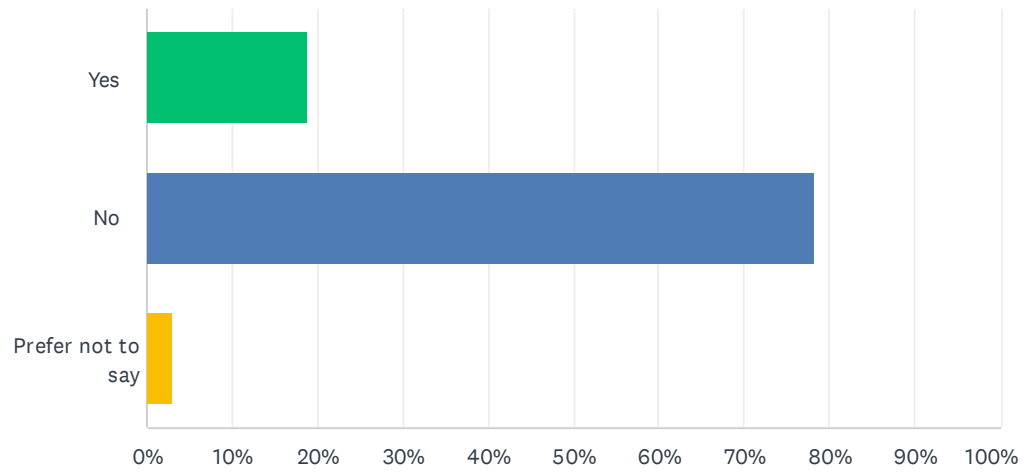
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
0 to 9 years old	0.00%	0
10 to 19 years old	0.24%	1
20 to 29 years old	3.40%	14
30 to 39 years old	8.01%	33
40 to 49 years old	12.14%	50
50 to 59 years old	22.57%	93
60 to 69 years old	28.16%	116
70 to 79 years old	21.12%	87
80+ years old	4.37%	18
TOTAL		412

Q4 Are there any children under age 18 in your household?

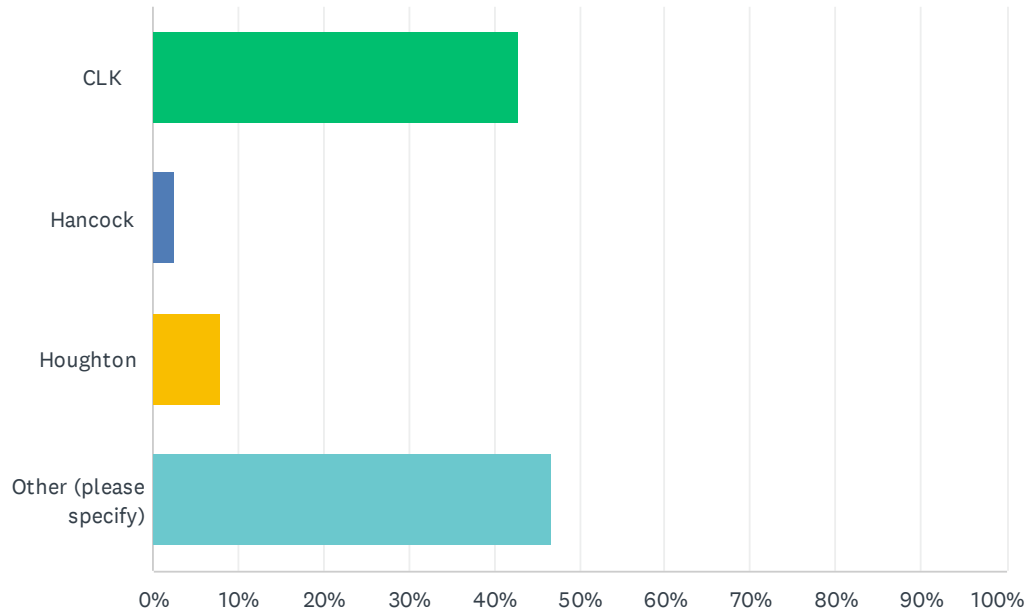
Answered: 411 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	18.73%	77
No	78.35%	322
Prefer not to say	2.92%	12
TOTAL		411

Q5 If you have children living with you under age 18, which school district are they enrolled in?

Answered: 77 Skipped: 340



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
CLK	42.86%	33
Hancock	2.60%	2
Houghton	7.79%	6
Other (please specify)	46.75%	36
TOTAL		77

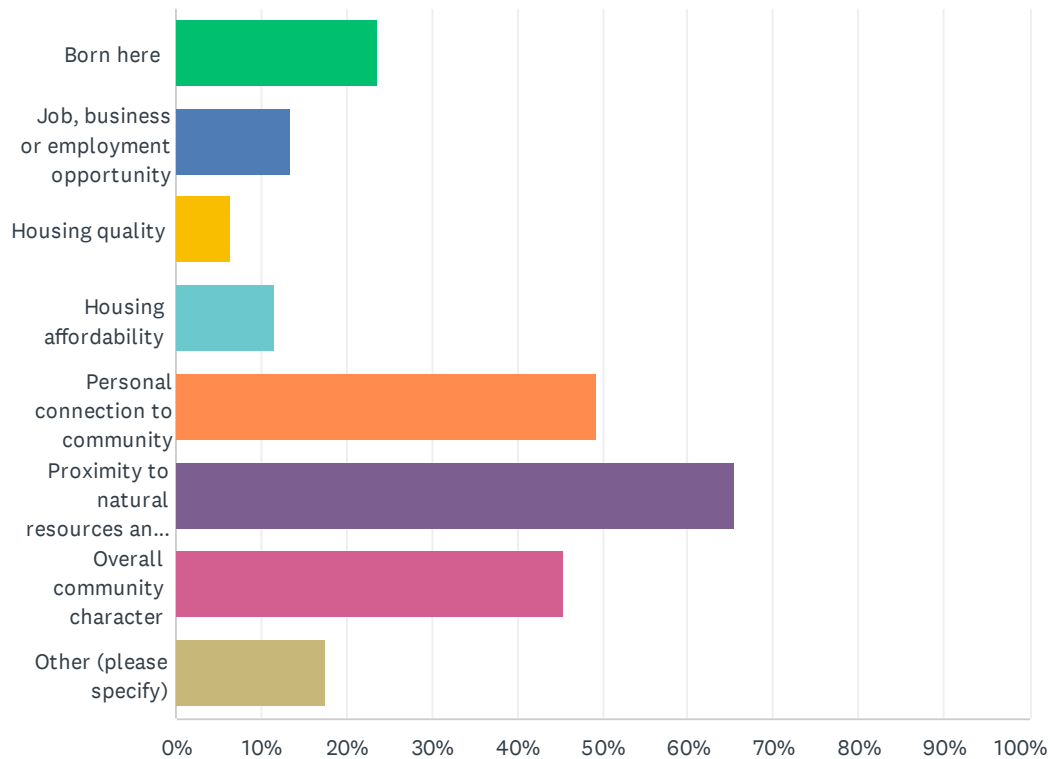
#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	They don't attend school in the district	9/26/2025 10:47 AM
2	Too young	9/25/2025 11:32 PM
3	Na	9/25/2025 9:13 PM
4	Viroqua Wisconsin	9/22/2025 9:57 AM
5	Out of state	9/20/2025 11:27 AM
6	Washington state	9/15/2025 2:51 PM
7	Seasonal Resident (Children attend school at County of Main Residence..	9/14/2025 10:20 PM
8	Not enrolled yet, only 1 years old	9/14/2025 9:06 AM
9	Na	9/13/2025 4:04 PM
10	CIA	8/30/2025 11:55 AM

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11	Out of area	8/26/2025 8:52 AM
12	Portland	8/21/2025 12:20 PM
13	N/A	8/20/2025 4:57 PM
14	Homeschool	8/20/2025 12:42 AM
15	none	8/18/2025 11:08 PM
16	Cherokee County, GA	8/18/2025 9:05 PM
17	Copper Island Academy	8/18/2025 8:36 AM
18	Saint Ignatius Cleveland Ohio	8/17/2025 9:50 PM
19	Home school	8/17/2025 7:17 PM
20	De Pere Public Schools	8/17/2025 5:39 PM
21	NA	8/17/2025 2:02 PM
22	Dbtc	8/16/2025 8:08 PM
23	Dollar Bay	8/16/2025 8:02 PM
24	Both my children went to CLK.	8/15/2025 6:37 PM
25	Copper Island Academy	8/15/2025 4:36 PM
26	Marquette	8/15/2025 8:44 AM
27	Minnesota	8/13/2025 8:12 PM
28	Lake linden	8/13/2025 12:43 PM
29	Seasonal. Not in school	8/12/2025 2:51 PM
30	We are seasonal residents	8/12/2025 9:37 AM
31	Copper Harbor	8/11/2025 7:37 PM
32	Marquette	8/11/2025 12:01 AM
33	Marquette	8/10/2025 11:59 PM
34	Out of the county	8/1/2025 8:18 PM
35	Not in school yet	7/31/2025 11:04 PM
36	CLK and Lake Linden - it only allowed me to choose one.	7/30/2025 7:48 AM

Q6 Why do you choose to live in Keweenaw County? (check all that apply)

Answered: 365 Skipped: 52



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Born here	23.56%	86
Job, business or employment opportunity	13.42%	49
Housing quality	6.30%	23
Housing affordability	11.51%	42
Personal connection to community	49.32%	180
Proximity to natural resources and recreation	65.48%	239
Overall community character	45.48%	166
Other (please specify)	17.53%	64
Total Respondents: 365		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	I love the energy here	9/26/2025 7:51 AM
2	Raised and worked in the County for years	9/25/2025 9:13 PM
3	Peace and natural beauty, access to natural undisturbed quiet land	9/24/2025 1:43 PM
4	mother born here; I summered here; bought here as soon as I could afford it	9/24/2025 9:25 AM

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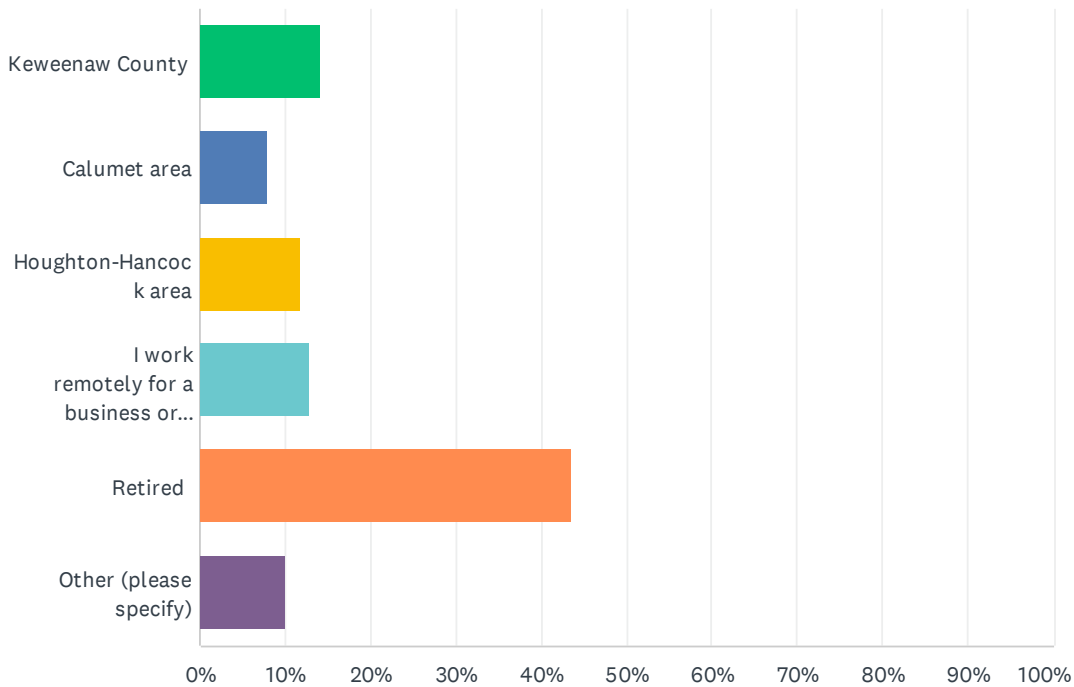
5	Purchased home as a summer home decided to move here year round	9/23/2025 9:49 AM
6	Have property for over 70 years	9/22/2025 2:37 PM
7	four seasons of natural beauty and outdoor recreation (silent sports-biking, x-c skiing and hiking)	9/22/2025 12:05 AM
8	I love the Keweenaw Heartlands as they currently "exist". I don't believe we should sacrifice any of it for tourism or for low-income housing. There are town centers and people would benefit from living there for too many reasons.	9/20/2025 2:24 PM
9	Family has been vacationing here since the 1930's	9/20/2025 1:50 PM
10	Wife likes it here	9/20/2025 1:34 PM
11	Lake Superior	9/15/2025 2:51 PM
12	Opportunity to connect with nature Low density of population Quiet	9/11/2025 6:46 AM
13	Quite solitude and natural beauty	9/11/2025 12:42 AM
14	For the quiet and lack of congestion/ over building	9/8/2025 1:15 PM
15	quiet and remote	9/7/2025 10:19 AM
16	I like to drive here because of less traffic congestion than Alaska.	9/6/2025 12:31 PM
17	Also have camp on lake medora	9/3/2025 12:35 PM
18	fishing and hunting opportunities	8/26/2025 4:50 PM
19	The beauty of the area, it's a special place!	8/24/2025 4:44 PM
20	Do not currently live in the County, but own property and will be building a home and moving to the Keweenaw in the near future	8/23/2025 11:50 AM
21	I lived here to attend Michigan Tech as a student for five-ish years	8/22/2025 4:56 PM
22	Choose to live in Keweenaw Co. because of the low population density and low levels of development and commercialization. This is exactly what we will lose if the profiteers get her way. Development can occur but slowly, wisely and under the control of the community, not the developers.	8/21/2025 5:44 PM
23	Keweenaw	8/21/2025 1:44 PM
24	DUE TO REASONS ABOVE AND I WOULD LIKE IT TO STAY THAT WAY	8/20/2025 4:57 PM
25	Peacefulness and beauty	8/20/2025 6:13 AM
26	Immediate family members born and grew up here. As a result I've been coming here all my life.	8/19/2025 4:42 PM
27	Great place for retired people to spend summers	8/19/2025 12:03 PM
28	Heritage (great-grandparents on down lived here)	8/19/2025 11:15 AM
29	husband likes it here	8/19/2025 8:34 AM
30	bought a house here	8/18/2025 11:08 PM
31	Beautiful summer weather	8/18/2025 9:05 PM
32	motorized recreational trail system	8/18/2025 8:26 PM
33	Remoteness, nature, dark sky, tranquility	8/18/2025 6:40 PM
34	Father in law born in our Eagle River house in 1922. House built in 1854.	8/18/2025 3:10 PM
35	Simpler life with more traditional conservative values.	8/18/2025 8:36 AM
36	Lake Superior and the natural beauty of the area is astounding!	8/17/2025 9:57 PM
37	When we moved here in 1991 this is where we found our home 🏡	8/17/2025 5:34 PM
38	MTU Grad, fell in love with the area and wanted to come back	8/17/2025 3:46 PM

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39	I host an annual event in Copper Harbor	8/17/2025 10:23 AM
40	Serene, magical	8/17/2025 8:20 AM
41	Not crowded, peaceful	8/16/2025 8:05 PM
42	Beauty of the area, low population density	8/16/2025 7:00 PM
43	Nice area	8/16/2025 3:56 PM
44	Beauty and seclusion	8/15/2025 11:43 PM
45	Had property, retired there.	8/15/2025 8:35 PM
46	Bought a farm	8/15/2025 4:04 PM
47	Lakefront property	8/15/2025 1:54 PM
48	recreation	8/15/2025 11:43 AM
49	three generation family history	8/14/2025 8:06 PM
50	My Property is Very Unique! I enjoy spending time there!	8/14/2025 11:19 AM
51	Just love living in the Keweenaw. Been my goal for decades.	8/14/2025 11:06 AM
52	The weather conditions	8/13/2025 8:10 PM
53	Not overly developed.	8/13/2025 4:37 PM
54	Quiet	8/12/2025 8:43 PM
55	Lake Superior	8/12/2025 9:28 AM
56	Retired here 2006	8/11/2025 11:37 AM
57	Husband is from Calumet	8/10/2025 11:59 PM
58	The solitude, other than the tourist seasons.	8/9/2025 7:00 PM
59	geology, water resources, clear air	8/9/2025 3:34 PM
60	Family is here locally	8/9/2025 2:05 PM
61	I'm here because I'm not all there	8/9/2025 12:41 PM
62	Lake Superior	8/9/2025 11:58 AM
63	Am not a county resident	8/1/2025 12:13 PM
64	I live 1 mile from K county.	7/30/2025 7:48 AM

Q7 If you are employed, where is your workplace located:

Answered: 327 Skipped: 90



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Keweenaw County	14.07%	46
Calumet area	7.95%	26
Houghton-Hancock area	11.62%	38
I work remotely for a business or organization located outside of Keweenaw County	12.84%	42
Retired	43.43%	142
Other (please specify)	10.09%	33
TOTAL		327

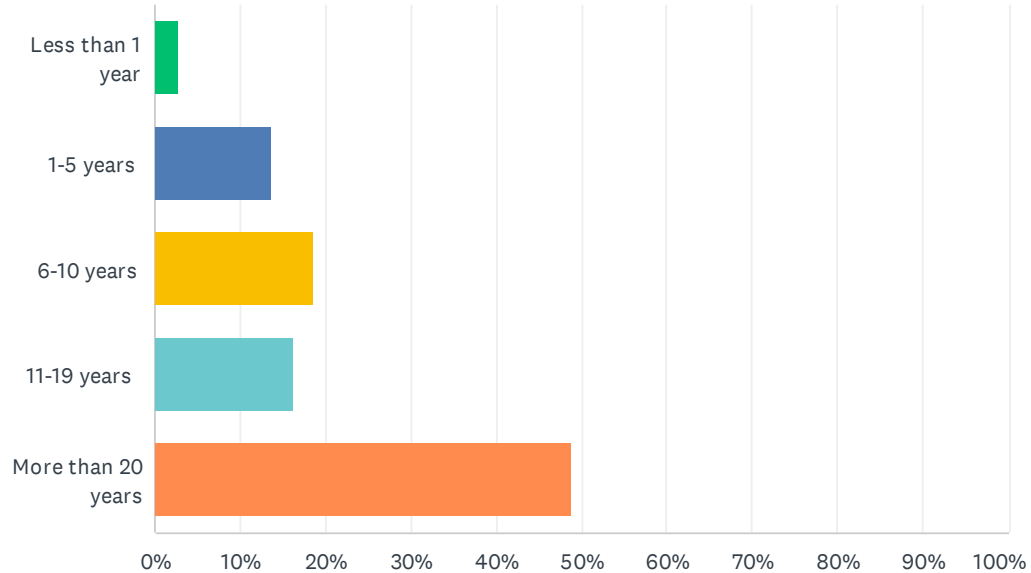
#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Worked fokeweenawmountainlodge a n order winquist and my family's business	9/25/2025 9:13 PM
2	Wisconsin	9/22/2025 9:57 AM
3	Self employed, can work remotely	9/21/2025 11:20 PM
4	I am able to do a small amount of remote work	9/21/2025 11:18 PM
5	Houston, Tx	9/20/2025 1:50 PM
6	Washington state	9/15/2025 2:51 PM
7	Minneapolis, MN	9/15/2025 10:42 AM
8	We work in the County of our Main Residency outside of Keweenaw County	9/14/2025 10:20 PM

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9	Office located in Hancock but serve Keweenaw and Houghton Counties	9/14/2025 9:06 AM
10	Copper Harbor	9/7/2025 10:19 AM
11	St. Ignace	9/3/2025 8:12 AM
12	Grand Rapids	8/25/2025 9:35 PM
13	Stay at home mother	8/20/2025 12:42 AM
14	Near my primary residence.	8/19/2025 10:46 PM
15	Arts Organization, Minneapolis, MN	8/17/2025 11:23 PM
16	Delta Air Lines	8/17/2025 7:17 PM
17	I'm working for 6 weeks and off for 6 weeks. I come home after my rotation.	8/17/2025 2:02 PM
18	Dollar Bay	8/16/2025 8:02 PM
19	Semi retire work seasonal part time in Keweenaw Co.	8/15/2025 8:35 PM
20	I am retired but also own a local business	8/15/2025 6:37 PM
21	Contracting Jobs and Keweenaw and Houghton Counties	8/15/2025 4:57 PM
22	Seattle WA	8/14/2025 8:06 PM
23	Work as a substitute teacher for CLK.	8/14/2025 11:06 AM
24	Bootjack	8/14/2025 6:32 AM
25	Minnesota	8/13/2025 8:12 PM
26	Disabled	8/13/2025 8:10 PM
27	consulting	8/12/2025 9:44 AM
28	Wisconsin	8/11/2025 8:24 PM
29	Disabled	8/11/2025 12:27 PM
30	Unpaid work in Sherman Township and in Calumet	8/11/2025 9:35 AM
31	UP Wide	8/11/2025 12:01 AM
32	Marquette	8/10/2025 2:43 PM
33	Lake Linden	8/9/2025 2:33 PM

Q8 How long have you lived in Keweenaw County, either full time or seasonally?

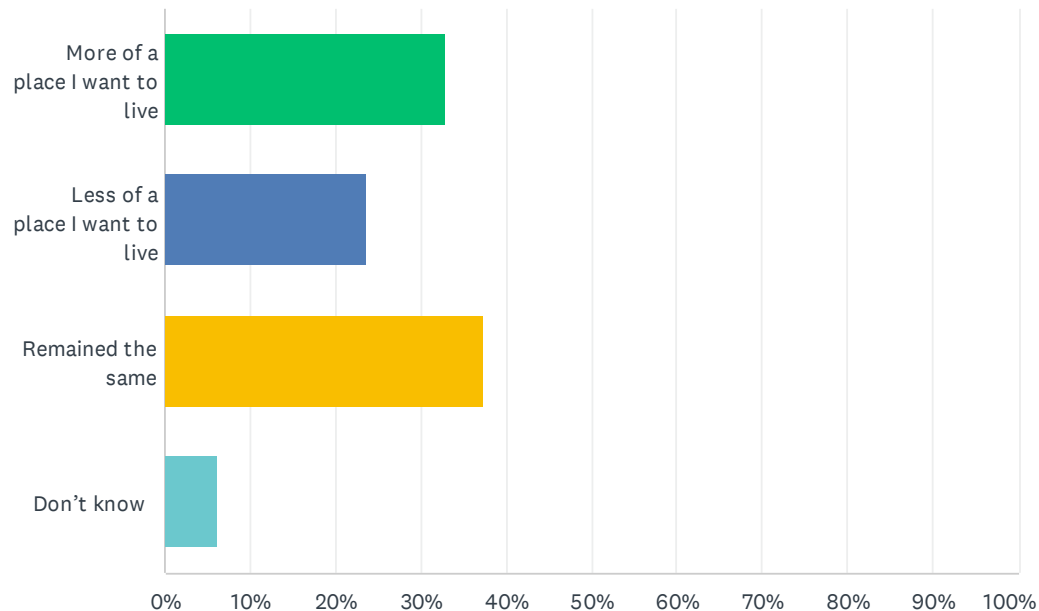
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 1 year	2.84%	10
1-5 years	13.64%	48
6-10 years	18.47%	65
11-19 years	16.19%	57
More than 20 years	48.86%	172
TOTAL		352

Q9 In the past 5-10 years, Keweenaw County has become:

Answered: 388 Skipped: 29



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
More of a place I want to live	32.73%	127
Less of a place I want to live	23.71%	92
Remained the same	37.37%	145
Don't know	6.19%	24
TOTAL		388

#	WHY? (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	While Keweenaw has changed, it is still a beautiful place to live.	9/26/2025 7:41 PM
2	There is a spirit of sorts here, peaceful. We love it quiet and somewhat secluded. However I don't overly love the amount of people that come here that don't seem to appreciate that in the same way. On the flip side mass restriction of exploring and experiencing the beauty and hunting/ fishing... has been a huge disappointment with all of the conservancies. I would like to see full access of these areas for residents and people who have roots, love and respect, a sense of ownership as our community..	9/26/2025 1:22 PM
3	I love the county,I am 80 yrs old coming here all my life,and don't like to see it to stay not many change	9/26/2025 9:20 AM
4	It seems like we are going backward. Losing more businesses, not growing much.	9/25/2025 11:22 PM
5	Rental properties make it not a community and fear of legalize pot coming to our community because we have the ski resort.	9/25/2025 10:57 PM
6	Except the horror that us all the air bnbs	9/25/2025 10:42 PM
7	My life	9/25/2025 9:13 PM

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8	Too many people	9/25/2025 8:52 PM
9	Peaceful, quiet, beautiful, rural	9/24/2025 9:40 PM
10	There has been an increase in tourist visitation, more traffic, float planes and noise from ATVs - radios and motors	9/24/2025 1:43 PM
11	quiet. close to nature. health care/fitness only 16 minutes away.	9/24/2025 9:25 AM
12	Increased access to hiking trails and our door activities	9/23/2025 2:32 PM
13	Because the board turns a blind eye to encroachment they do what they want no matter what the residents say.	9/22/2025 2:37 PM
14	Float planes started flying over our house several times a day presumably going to and from Torch Lake and Isle Royale	9/22/2025 12:42 PM
15	Seems to be getting more touristy, which I don't like	9/22/2025 9:57 AM
16	Because this is a special place of natural beauty which we are beginning to understand how important it is to keep open spaces for the public	9/22/2025 12:05 AM
17	More diverse businesses, community events	9/21/2025 11:20 PM
18	It is getting busy, increased roadside signs. It's still better than just about anywhere else though.	9/21/2025 11:18 PM
19	The issues/concerns I see are cyclical.	9/21/2025 7:44 PM
20	The short term rental business has been unregulated and consequently destroyed the peaceful environment of many neighborhoods in the county, including Grant Twp.	9/21/2025 1:42 PM
21	As we have changed, so has the county- in most cases very well.	9/21/2025 12:47 PM
22	Only because the County hasn't removed my heartlands neighborhood or community "yet".	9/20/2025 2:24 PM
23	People moving here from other states and trying to change things	9/20/2025 1:34 PM
24	Access to amenities like internet, restaurants and cultural events is getting better.	9/20/2025 11:27 AM
25	Quality of live, good air, access to outdoors beautiful	9/20/2025 10:31 AM
26	1. Turons 2.Businesses believe they are the reason I stay in Keweenaw Co, but I do not frequent or need shops and restaurants to continue to live here.	9/17/2025 1:21 PM
27	My family is from Calumet, had a camp at Eagle Harbor. While we don't have the original camp, we still have property and look forward to retire up there.	9/15/2025 6:14 PM
28	Poor governance, growth without a plan to deal with or even recognize that growth	9/12/2025 9:30 AM
29	Quiet, not over-developed, preserves natural settings.	9/11/2025 4:21 PM
30	Visitors out of control. Outsidedevelopers	9/11/2025 11:08 AM
31	This is a mixed bag. I love the location and beauty, but dread managing health issues as I age.	9/11/2025 10:54 AM
32	Increase in ill behaved tourists Short term rental policy weakens community Loss of land to private entities Rampant development	9/11/2025 6:46 AM
33	Residency of neighbors and friends is turning over to transients/STRs.	9/10/2025 10:18 PM
34	Losing the freedom to roam the woods.	9/10/2025 9:50 PM
35	More services and more opportunities to recreate. We have some of the best mountain bike trails in the country.	9/9/2025 8:23 PM
36	It is not over populated or industrialized and has some of the last wild and natural habitats for wildlife natural areas.	9/8/2025 1:15 PM
37	We enjoy the natural beauty of the area, recreational and historical attractions and it's usually not as hot as it is downstate! 😊	9/7/2025 2:22 PM
38	Too many tourists	9/7/2025 7:47 AM

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39	Less congestion, slower pace, and sense of peace, calm, presence.	9/6/2025 12:31 PM
40	Excellent combination of natural setting and rural infrastructure.	9/4/2025 1:23 PM
41	We live in Houghton Co. but spend most of our outdoor time and beach time in Keweenaw Co.	9/3/2025 2:04 PM
42	Natural resources and friendly residents	8/30/2025 9:07 PM
43	Needing fresh air, peace, nature	8/28/2025 5:24 PM
44	Too many tourists. Need to close the bridge	8/28/2025 2:57 PM
45	some of the areas have become overcrowded	8/26/2025 4:50 PM
46	investment in roads, parks, buildings seem to be happening every year	8/26/2025 8:52 AM
47	It's become a money maker for people and that's all it is to them. To me it's home	8/24/2025 3:53 PM
48	Witnessing the well meaning attempts (whether successful or not) to better the quality of living.	8/23/2025 2:55 PM
49	Short term rentals around us increased and are disruptive.	8/22/2025 11:14 PM
50	Too many tourists and traffic	8/22/2025 1:05 PM
51	The life style that brought me here is threatened. We have developers that wish to expand the population, commercialization, traffic, and flow of tourists thereby cash in on our way of life.	8/21/2025 5:44 PM
52	The increase in protected land gives me the confidence that this is an area that will remain beautiful and open to all.	8/21/2025 2:25 PM
53	I feel at peace when I'm at my property	8/21/2025 12:20 PM
54	More access to mountain bike trails!	8/21/2025 11:51 AM
55	Influx of urban with urban materialistic wants.	8/20/2025 8:41 PM
56	DUE TO BOHEMIA...POTENTIAL EFFECTS ON LAC LABELLE AND IT'S BEAUTIFUL AREA, SERENE COMMUNITY AND CLEAN/CLEAR LAKE. I AM AFRAID WITHOUT REGULATIONS AND FREE FOR ALL THIS WILL BE RUINED	8/20/2025 4:57 PM
57	The characteristics that drew me here remain.	8/20/2025 4:56 PM
58	Right Wing Extremism is on the rise	8/20/2025 2:44 PM
59	I am connected to the land. But taxes have gone up :(	8/20/2025 1:32 PM
60	Too much land bought up and blocked off by conservancies. Land prices escalated so that locals are being driven out.	8/20/2025 10:25 AM
61	Busier	8/20/2025 6:13 AM
62	Other than the influx of people at beaches and such, it's mostly the same. Still love the snow and lake. The quiet places are being broadcasted on social media which crowds our quiet places.	8/20/2025 12:42 AM
63	Poor seasonal signage, locals rude to those with out of state license plates	8/19/2025 11:12 PM
64	We have become more comfortable in the community.	8/19/2025 10:46 PM
65	I am at a point in my life where I can live wherever I want. This seems like a great place to be.	8/19/2025 4:42 PM
66	Average growth	8/19/2025 3:26 PM
67	Zoning restrictions are still choking places like Gay and Eagle River.	8/19/2025 12:03 PM
68	Influx of people with no awareness of area's historical significance or willingness to support it. Disappearance of affordable housing due to uncontrolled growth of STR's that are not required to help fund services. No plans to increase family-friendly basic bicycling (for those who don't mountain-bike but want to be active; road-cycling is not safe!)	8/19/2025 11:15 AM
69	This one is a tough one, obviously the area is getting promoted online and the summers are becoming increasingly chaotic and most of all noisy with traffic, obviously many of us here tons of motorcycles traffic with apparently no noise standard enforced. The State put rumble strips on the highways near camps and cottages and of course no one can manage to not hit	8/19/2025 10:17 AM

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them constantly so if you're enjoying the outdoors near your property all you hear all day is brrrrppp, brpp, combined with engine noise. in a nutshell the traffic is crazy. So it's become less enjoyable but at the same time it's the Keweenaw so you still get your moments of quiet and tranquillity.

70	The trail network keeps expanding. We are mountain bikers and bought a house here for the amazing trails, scenery, cool summers, and small town living.	8/18/2025 9:05 PM
71	overcrowding, the addition of a dollar general, too many pedal bike rides in copper harbor	8/18/2025 8:26 PM
72	I will never leave, but now more people drive too fast, litter too much, and don't respect nature.	8/18/2025 6:40 PM
73	Historically, our family home. We have lived here full time for many years, but now seasonal.	8/18/2025 3:10 PM
74	Somethings are the same but there are growing problems	8/18/2025 1:20 PM
75	the lake	8/18/2025 11:24 AM
76	Enjoy; the 3/4 pace, the people and the geographical beauty	8/18/2025 10:30 AM
77	Ramshackle nature of many of the communities.	8/18/2025 10:15 AM
78	I appreciate the stewardship of the natural beauty through the Keewenaw Land Trust, Nature Conservancy, and similar organizations. I live there only seasonally but I admire and am friends with many people who live in the Keweenaw.	8/17/2025 11:23 PM
79	Too much focus on promoting tourism and too little effort to provide the services and resources necessary to properly support them or the year round residents.	8/17/2025 10:01 PM
80	The increase in speeding tourists and turned my nice community into something I hardly recognize!	8/17/2025 9:57 PM
81	I hope to retire and build a house on the property I have owned for 20 years.	8/17/2025 5:45 PM
82	Beautiful country and nice people.	8/17/2025 5:39 PM
83	World events.....Safer and Better here	8/17/2025 5:27 PM
84	Quiet laid back community. Good neighbors. Please don't change it with new construction!	8/17/2025 4:29 PM
85	Population growth has been relatively constraint, outdoor recreational activities, privacy....	8/17/2025 2:02 PM
86	The area is not as acceptable as in the past, closed trails, restricted golf in Copper Harbor, lack of quality leadership	8/17/2025 12:59 PM
87	Still has the natural beauty and place	8/17/2025 8:20 AM
88	Less congestion	8/16/2025 9:46 PM
89	Too many bicycles on state highway	8/16/2025 8:25 PM
90	Too many people in the area making more like a city.	8/16/2025 8:08 PM
91	Busy. More, faster traffic.	8/16/2025 8:05 PM
92	love the area/ too many short term rentals	8/16/2025 6:45 PM
93	Seems busier, more traffic, more recreation. There are pros and cons.	8/16/2025 3:45 PM
94	Conservancy taking over land then making it private and closing to public	8/16/2025 10:53 AM
95	Too much traffic in the summer	8/16/2025 9:04 AM
96	Some good things, some not so good, ie; zoning- way too match , not regulated the same to all.	8/15/2025 8:35 PM
97	Lack of satisfactory governing by a lot of public boards - lack of ambulance service in the immediate area	8/15/2025 8:07 PM
98	Taxes soaring, receiving nothing for them, tourists pouring in and no infrastructure to support them, let alone local residents	8/15/2025 6:37 PM
99	More and more regulation, less benefit for year round locals	8/15/2025 4:57 PM

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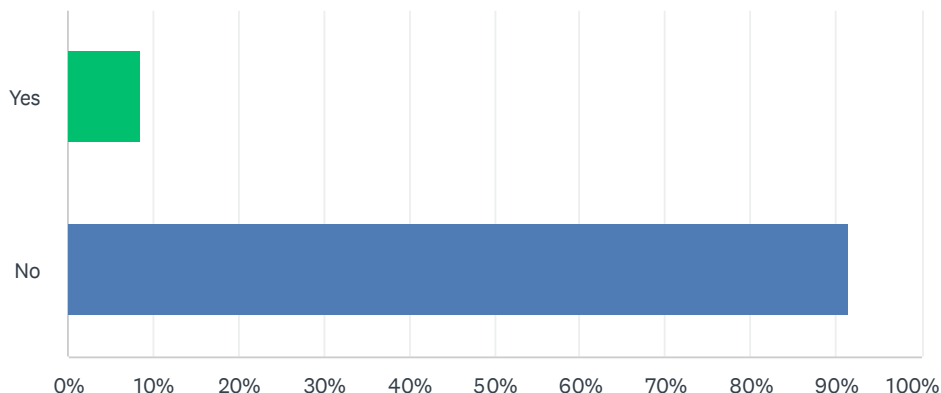
100	I love that young people are moving here. I love the farmers that are producing fresh food. However, I wish there was a recycling center in Keweenaw county. This could provide employment.	8/15/2025 4:04 PM
101	Effective zoning has created varied communities while understanding the value of tourism as well as the value in keeping some communities commercial free.	8/15/2025 12:56 PM
102	Cost of purchasing housing is skyrocketing	8/15/2025 11:55 AM
103	Very concerned about the increasing rate of tourism.	8/15/2025 11:52 AM
104	Too many out of state people are coming in and building new houses taking away our sites and closing trails that cross their newly acquired land	8/15/2025 11:52 AM
105	Too many ordinances for a rural area with no incorporated towns or villages	8/15/2025 11:43 AM
106	No new developments for employment that is sustainable, housing costs, too many air bnb,	8/15/2025 11:28 AM
107	In the past several years, the area has become more congested with tourism, which has caused many rural areas to be closed to the public due to the influx of visitors.	8/15/2025 9:52 AM
108	It used to be a quiet place to get away no everywhere you go is so busy. I believe social media has put to much of a spotlight on once quiet areas.	8/15/2025 8:44 AM
109	I have always wanted to move back here when I retire	8/15/2025 5:58 AM
110	the unique and remote character of the County remains	8/14/2025 8:06 PM
111	Unsustainable levels of tourism	8/14/2025 6:06 PM
112	Character is changing, outsiders moving in and bringing the same problems/ideas that they moved here to get away from	8/14/2025 4:07 PM
113	The house next to us is rented out and people who rent it do not respect my property. The owner isn't from the area and doesn't respect other neighbors. This makes our time at our property less enjoyable.	8/14/2025 11:19 AM
114	Out of town people changing my way of living	8/14/2025 6:32 AM
115	Constant "development" and an obsession with attracting and catering to tourists as opposed to providing for existing residents	8/13/2025 8:10 PM
116	keweenaw heartlands	8/13/2025 4:45 PM
117	Don't see huge changes.	8/13/2025 4:37 PM
118	Fewer businesses open. No cell service. No sidewalks in town. No feelings of identity or image as to Community.	8/13/2025 4:00 PM
119	Locals are being priced out by city money	8/13/2025 12:43 PM
120	Changed by outsiders	8/12/2025 10:46 PM
121	Porblems with AirBnbs	8/12/2025 6:50 PM
122	Because a lot of our area is being bought up by people from other areas who want to live here because of what it is but then turn and implement zoning laws and rules like an HOA. Also, we are losing access to our open areas, everything is being bought up and privatized	8/12/2025 6:09 PM
123	some good developments (businesses, recreation) some negative (traffic, congestion)	8/12/2025 9:44 AM
124	Small town, friendly, high trust society	8/12/2025 9:37 AM
125	To much government involvement	8/12/2025 8:37 AM
126	Far too many bicyclists and trails taking over the tip of the Keweenaw destroying what once was a place to pick berries and enjoy nature. Too much conservancy property not contributing to the tax base.	8/11/2025 7:57 PM
127	Outdoor non-motorized recreation	8/11/2025 7:37 PM
128	Many good newer things but increased traffic, crowding at natural sites, increased logging	8/11/2025 5:44 PM

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129	Because they are trying to control what we can and cannot do and how we have to use our owned properties and catering to the out of town people rather than locals	8/11/2025 5:38 PM
130	People want to turn this place into Detroit ECT. Keweenaw is no place for windmill, solar panels and shipping containers.	8/11/2025 4:04 PM
131	Away from city life-tranquil	8/11/2025 2:43 PM
132	too many wilderness areas are being bound off and regulated	8/11/2025 1:41 PM
133	So much of the land is going private and isn't accessible.	8/11/2025 12:27 PM
134	Because the natural beauty is being ruined.	8/11/2025 12:07 PM
135	Too much tourism	8/11/2025 11:37 AM
136	Ken's has changed but so have I	8/11/2025 9:35 AM
137	Easy access to the outdoors; less chaotic than our primary town of residence	8/10/2025 11:59 PM
138	No big changes that affect my daily life	8/10/2025 12:11 PM
139	ordinance restrictions	8/9/2025 10:32 PM
140	Out of control tourism	8/9/2025 9:07 PM
141	Drug related issues impacting the quality of life!	8/9/2025 7:09 PM
142	Although the tourism growth has been a negative, we are willing to put up with it for the positives that we find here.	8/9/2025 7:00 PM
143	Own property in Eagle Harbor and had a strong desire to build on it and live seasonally. However, since the zoning changed on short term rental property, I likely won't be able to afford to take this step.	8/9/2025 6:37 PM
144	We need consistent garbage and recycling When dumpster is full , lots of bags accumulate outside	8/9/2025 5:58 PM
145	clean air, water, forests	8/9/2025 3:34 PM
146	Too much Shoreline development	8/9/2025 2:33 PM
147	There are too many people here, too many people trying to force city ways upon us	8/5/2025 2:08 PM
148	Mount Bohemia commercial encroachment into the Residential Community	8/4/2025 8:47 PM
149	More Job opportunity	8/1/2025 7:49 AM
150	Still way less busy than the bigger cities	7/31/2025 12:54 PM
151	Mt. Bohemia development has changed the rural character of the community and more change seems to be coming. The beauty of the local roads wooded viewscapes that everyone loves (locals & tourists) will change with increased commercial zoning. The Lac La Belle residents and summer tourists no longer have hiking and ATV access to the beautiful Mt. Bohemia (for the benefit of a few skiers and the developer's plans for increased revenue.)	7/30/2025 9:58 PM
152	Over run with STR tourists that don't respect residents or nature, lack of neighborhood 'feel', Bare Bluff no longer accessible,	7/30/2025 12:06 PM
153	Lack of economic development and development opportunities due, in part to restrictive county zoning	7/29/2025 3:07 PM

Q10 If you are a current resident, do you plan on moving from the County in the next five to ten years?

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	8.56% 25
No	91.44% 267
TOTAL	292

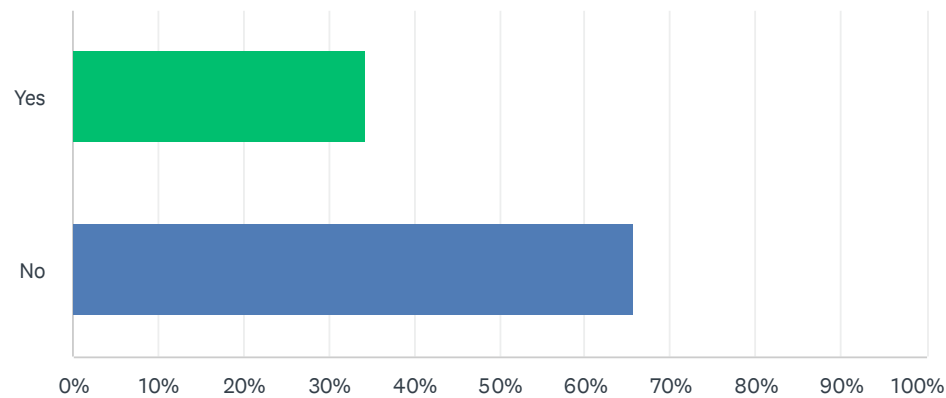
#	IF YES, WHY?	DATE
1	Too far from everything. Airport flights are expensive.	9/25/2025 11:22 PM
2	Lack of zoning enforcement is frustrating. The current planning commission fails to draft ordinances that protect residents. Lack of leadership at the County Board level will continue to set the county backwards.	9/21/2025 1:42 PM
3	Maybe. Changing job market.	9/12/2025 9:30 AM
4	I don't have a plan for this, but will likely spend at least part of the year some place with better healthcare.	9/11/2025 10:54 AM
5	Thinking about it due to increased tourist pressure	9/1/2025 5:16 PM
6	Healthcare	8/31/2025 11:48 AM
7	Economic opportunity	8/29/2025 6:54 PM
8	If my health goes bad; I will need to consider moving closer to my kids	8/29/2025 6:07 PM
9	Taxes too high	8/19/2025 11:12 PM
10	Our house has been in our family for over 100 years	8/19/2025 12:03 PM
11	Too remote with few good medical and other services for older seniors	8/19/2025 11:15 AM
12	ready for a change - want more culture, activities and city amenities. The cold summer's are challenging.	8/19/2025 8:34 AM
13	Historically home to us and we live the outdoor activities and pristine nature of this area.	8/18/2025 3:10 PM
14	medical care	8/18/2025 11:21 AM
15	Inadequate medical resources and lack of retail establishments. Have to drive to Houghton and	8/17/2025 10:01 PM

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	typically Marquette for these services .	
16	We are considering it. Noisy ATV traffic is constant problem on weekends.	8/17/2025 9:57 PM
17	unless aging requires leaving my home	8/16/2025 7:29 PM
18	Move closer to family and better services	8/15/2025 8:07 PM
19	Not sure what I will do, regarding continuing to live here.	8/15/2025 6:37 PM
20	challenges to maintaining independence	8/15/2025 6:31 PM
21	Ready to retire somewhere warm	8/15/2025 11:55 AM
22	Too many restrictions. Taxes keep rising. Too much new construction happening.	8/15/2025 11:52 AM
23	Out of town people buying everything and changing my way of living	8/14/2025 6:32 AM
24	son will be done at MTU and likely won't find employment here but who knows!	8/13/2025 4:45 PM
25	Lack of infrastructure	8/11/2025 6:03 PM
26	I would to purchase more property	8/11/2025 3:01 PM

Q11 If you are not a current resident, do you plan to move to the County in the next five to ten years?

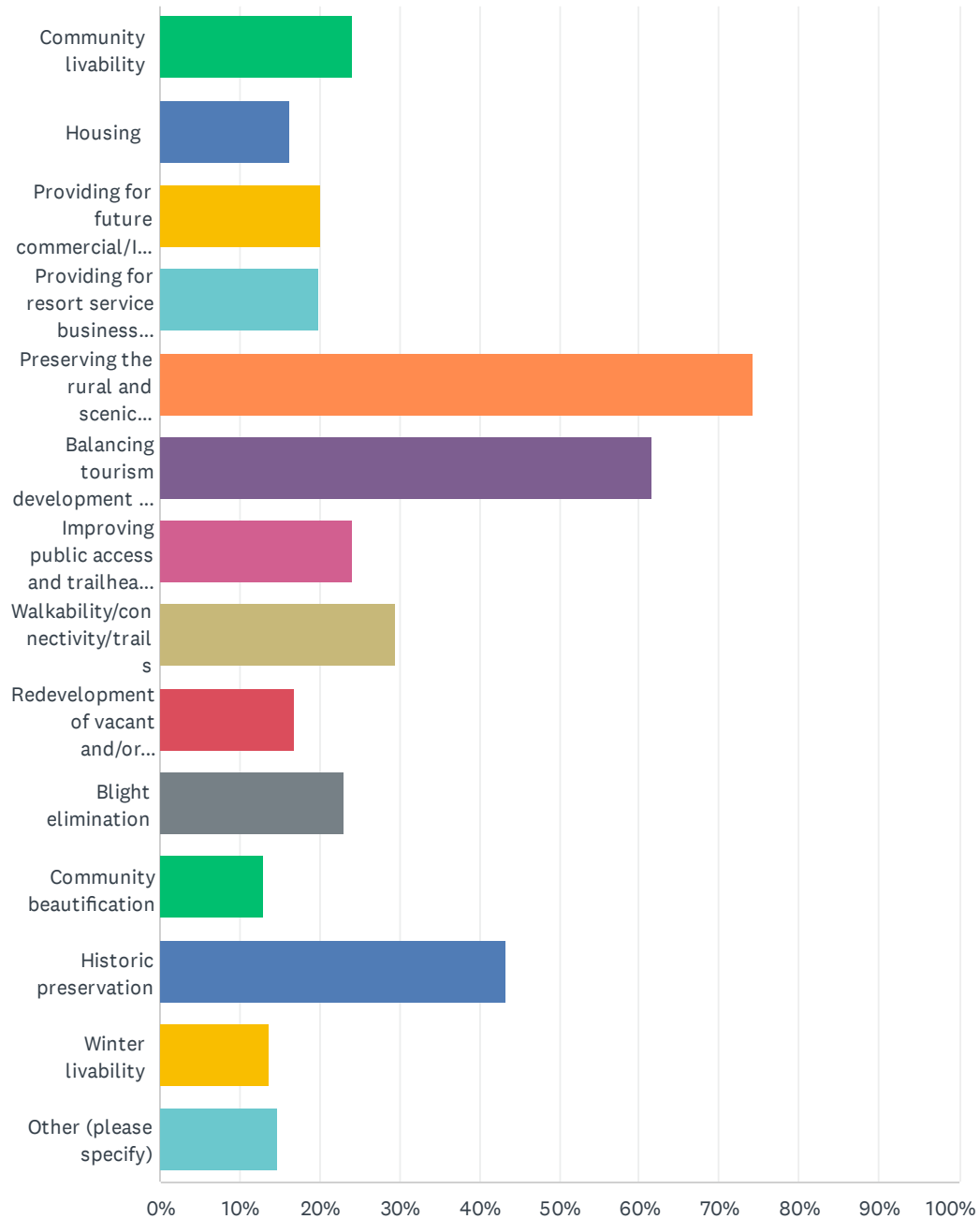
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	34.42%	53
No	65.58%	101
TOTAL		154

Q12 What are the top four priorities the Master Plan should focus on? (choose a maximum of four responses)

Answered: 408 Skipped: 9



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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Community livability	24.02%	98
Housing	16.18%	66
Providing for future commercial/Industrial development to grow employment opportunities for residents.	20.10%	82
Providing for resort service business development in established resort service communities to meet the projected future growth of tourism.	19.85%	81
Preserving the rural and scenic character of the County	74.26%	303
Balancing tourism development and preservation of open lands	61.52%	251
Improving public access and trailhead sites with parking and toilet facilities	24.02%	98
Walkability/connectivity/trails	29.41%	120
Redevelopment of vacant and/or underutilized properties	16.91%	69
Blight elimination	23.04%	94
Community beautification	12.99%	53
Historic preservation	43.38%	177
Winter livability	13.73%	56
Other (please specify)	14.71%	60
Total Respondents: 408		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	strategic limited development that balances and preserves the land and it's natural resources while still allowing for businesses and quality living.	9/26/2025 1:22 PM
2	As little change as possible	9/26/2025 7:51 AM
3	Stopcat3ring t orhehouggttothehoughtonkeewenawconservacy	9/25/2025 9:13 PM
4	There should be quiet trail areas free from motor noise including planes. Trails are positive but plan so that noisy usage (ATVs & snomobile) are kept to limited designated area that do not impact quiet areas	9/24/2025 1:43 PM
5	helping people who cannot afford it, to maintain their homes. People like me who have "returned" and are driving up the cost of living make it hard on the folks who have stayed and not been able to amass wealth due to limited opportunity.	9/24/2025 9:25 AM
6	Have the Board actually care about the residents not the dollars signs in their eyes	9/22/2025 2:37 PM
7	Keeping the skies dark and the area quiet. Consider noise suppression systems for planes.	9/22/2025 12:42 PM
8	With Balancing tourism development and preservation of open lands-(Tied for #2)-Winter emergency support of resources needs to be known and published. Mt. Bohemia is an emergency service nightmare waiting to happen. As cautious as Mr. Gliberman is, he can't testify for people enjoying the ski hill who may not be mindful of the risks of recreational activities - to put it lightly - liquor and other purchased paraphernalia.	9/20/2025 2:24 PM
9	Keep corporations, big money, and special interests out!!!! While I understand the need and good of tourism it also bothers me when tourism goes up some of the local gets pushed aside. There is a timeless, historical beauty up there don't go overboard "fixing it up"	9/15/2025 6:14 PM
10	Curtailing or Stopping Metastatic Commercial Development that is destroying the natural beauty and lure of The Keweenaw	9/14/2025 7:42 PM
11	Responsible governance. Recognize that growth is inevitable and must be managed or current	9/12/2025 9:30 AM

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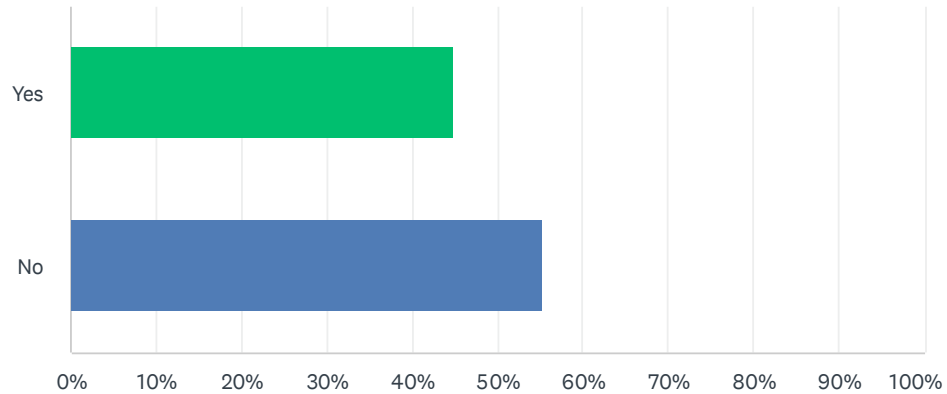
	residents will lose out	
12	listen to residents and people, not outside business interests	9/11/2025 11:18 AM
13	Infrastructure to manage emergency services including cell service	9/11/2025 10:54 AM
14	Preservation of significant tracts of land to protect the land, flora, and fauna from overuse and exploitation	9/11/2025 6:46 AM
15	improving infrastructure	9/7/2025 10:19 AM
16	Stricter regulation of short term Airbnb rentals, especially in residential areas. Examples being limiting to properties where owner is on site or next door or commercial/mixed use areas.	9/6/2025 1:01 PM
17	Encourage a business to employ young people similar to Calumet Electronics or Orbion. Encourage people to be more responsible for what they do - consider the long-range impact of their actions.	9/6/2025 12:31 PM
18	Improving essential services	8/31/2025 11:48 AM
19	Keep land open for public use like it has been for 120 years	8/28/2025 2:57 PM
20	High speed internet access and cell service	8/25/2025 6:23 PM
21	As a tourist I don't think my vote should count as much as residents'	8/24/2025 11:09 PM
22	Better internet	8/24/2025 6:44 PM
23	Community infrastructure and economic development	8/24/2025 1:12 PM
24	Stop the clear cutting of the woods	8/22/2025 1:05 PM
25	I'm concerned that development will fill in the the space between towns and sprawl and will harm the character of the county and reduce its value to residents and visitors.	8/21/2025 2:25 PM
26	Prevent fragmentation of the forestland that still makes up most of the County. Keep intact for forestry and outdoor recreation	8/21/2025 1:44 PM
27	MORE MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAILS!!!	8/21/2025 11:51 AM
28	PROTECTING OUR BEAUTIFUL AREA AND WATER WAYS FROM MORE DEVELOPMENT AND POLLUTION	8/20/2025 4:57 PM
29	fiberoptic access keeping housing affordable instead of commercial purposes	8/20/2025 2:44 PM
30	Limit number of Air BNB's or STR's	8/20/2025 10:25 AM
31	Let's keep the Keweenaw quaint and quiet. Take care of what we have.	8/20/2025 12:42 AM
32	Affordability	8/19/2025 11:12 PM
33	Make townships viable through consolidations or additional funds, and zoning changes. Also, work to move more responsibilities and funds from the state and back to local government.	8/19/2025 12:03 PM
34	Allowing for more modern ways of residing reflected in building codes and zoning. Getting to live more naturally. Off grid living. Also doesn't take much to have your taxes get to a level that it creates a hardship scenario for some. It could and is turning into being only possible to reside if you are wealthy. Loosen up on the rules for owning property and developing your own land so middle class can afford to live here creatively.	8/19/2025 10:17 AM
35	Balance tourism with housing/land affordability/availability	8/18/2025 11:08 PM
36	increase motorized trail systems, more trail grooming in winter	8/18/2025 8:26 PM
37	Better bicycle lanes or trails that are NOT for fat tire mountain bikes.	8/18/2025 6:40 PM
38	County transfer station and recycling facility	8/17/2025 9:07 PM
39	We need to leave the place alone. It's beautiful as is. I don't want any more development or any more people up here. This is my home and we need to preserve the nature and beauty of the area.	8/16/2025 8:02 PM
40	Our children are our greatest resource and we export them like crazy because there are no job	8/15/2025 6:37 PM

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	opportunities here. And it is not an easy place to be an entrepreneur.	
41	STR management	8/15/2025 6:31 PM
42	Less regulation	8/15/2025 4:57 PM
43	Development. We need more businesses	8/15/2025 3:03 PM
44	Tourism should Not be the Priority. When that happens, homeowners lose their peace and enjoyment of their property.	8/14/2025 11:19 AM
45	Mining and mineral extraction and ownership of mineral rights	8/14/2025 10:24 AM
46	Protecting/maintaining the environment	8/13/2025 8:10 PM
47	Playgrounds/parks for children. Park or area that can be used all year.	8/13/2025 6:38 PM
48	Recycling/compost/refuse	8/13/2025 4:45 AM
49	I wish this were not limited to four choices as they are all important.	8/13/2025 1:32 AM
50	I know this isn't for Keweenaw County, but we need a YMCA between Hancock and Calumet.	8/12/2025 6:09 PM
51	Redevelopment of blight instead of taking untouched land for development	8/12/2025 9:37 AM
52	Better fiber high-speed access options for rural areas	8/12/2025 9:28 AM
53	It's fine the way it is, leave it alone. Let people live. Stop trying to turn it into an HOA governed type area like the cities you come from.	8/11/2025 5:38 PM
54	Preserve the natural beauty.	8/11/2025 12:07 PM
55	I believe the conservancy's are controlling too much property!	8/9/2025 6:50 PM
56	Allow for more short-term rental property and grow your tax base.	8/9/2025 6:37 PM
57	Get rid of the junk on the McKraken property	8/9/2025 5:58 PM
58	Cultural Preservation and Protection	8/4/2025 8:47 PM
59	Do not make it super easy for big city money to outbid local money, part of being in the Copper Country is making less money, big city money coming in ruins it for locals in a hurry	7/31/2025 12:54 PM
60	The infrastructure of Keweenaw County cannot handle all of the tourism that is happening. There was such a large promotion of tourism without realizing the negative impacts it is having on our area, the wildlife, the emergency resources, our roads, our trails, our privacy...	7/30/2025 7:48 AM

Q13 Should the county consider adding industrial zones or expand or improve existing industrial zones to accommodate economic development?

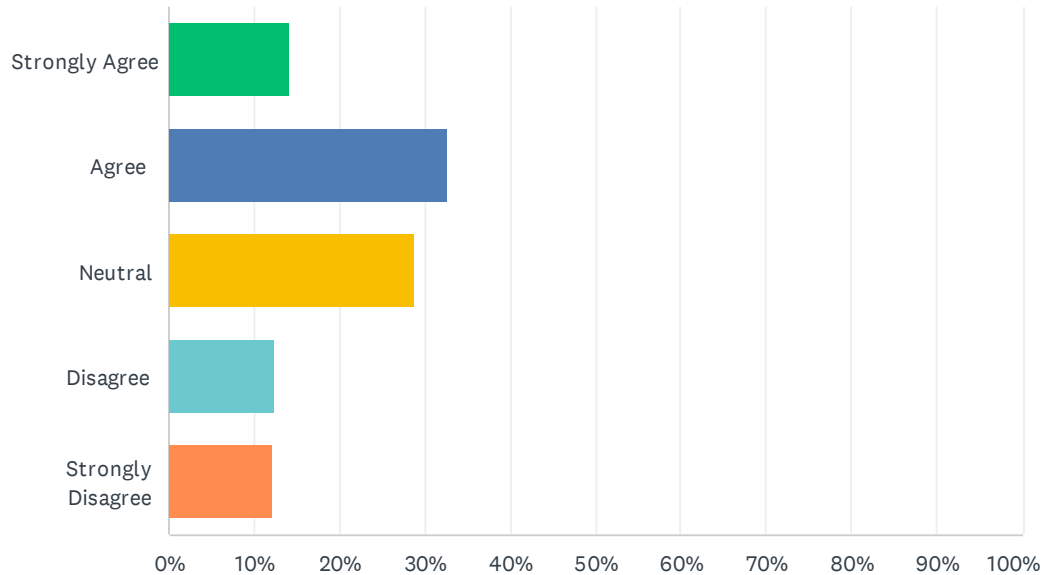
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	44.85%	174
No	55.15%	214
TOTAL		388

Q14 In your opinion, should there be more residential development in Keweenaw County in the coming years?

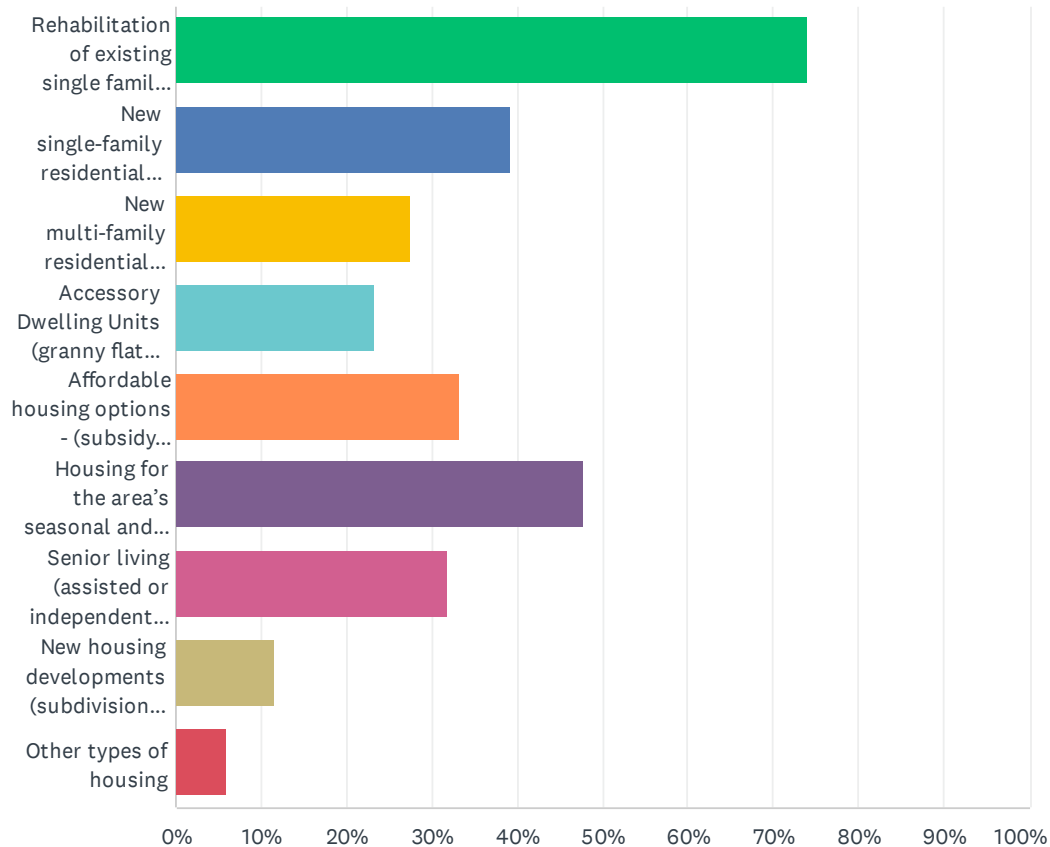
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly Agree	14.08%	58
Agree	32.52%	134
Neutral	28.88%	119
Disagree	12.38%	51
Strongly Disagree	12.14%	50
TOTAL		412

Q15 If you agree to more residential development, what types of residential development is needed in the County? (mark all that apply)

Answered: 280 Skipped: 137



ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
Rehabilitation of existing single family and multi-family units		73.93%	207
New single-family residential homes		39.29%	110
New multi-family residential (duplex, triplex, townhomes, apartments)		27.50%	77
Accessory Dwelling Units (granny flat) options		23.21%	65
Affordable housing options - (subsidy driven or market rate)		33.21%	93
Housing for the area's seasonal and year-round employees		47.86%	134
Senior living (assisted or independent living)		31.79%	89
New housing developments (subdivisions, planned unit developments)		11.43%	32
Other types of housing		6.07%	17
Total Respondents: 280			

#	OTHER TYPES OF HOUSING	DATE
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1	Noneof the above	9/25/2025 9:13 PM
2	Housing for year round residents that work here.	9/17/2025 1:21 PM
3	People move here because of climate change and our ideal retirement communities. Regardless of housing types, regulations need to be established first so development can be controlled.....	9/6/2025 12:31 PM
4	Many business have the option of creating housing for their employees.	8/21/2025 5:44 PM
5	Many types are acceptable and needed but they should be concentrated in existing housing areas	8/21/2025 2:25 PM
6	If interested in help with lack of housing - let's start by eliminating the excessive zoning. Would save the county money and allow folks starting out to live in accessory dwellings.	8/20/2025 12:42 AM
7	More restrictions on short term rentals to encourage use by full time or seasonal residents. Totally opposed to government subsidized housing.	8/19/2025 12:03 PM
8	Allow for off grid living, keep taxes low for these folks.	8/19/2025 10:17 AM
9	There are plenty of old houses and old commercial properties that should be restored rather than developing new units on vacant land.	8/18/2025 6:40 PM
10	Especially rehab existing historical building for increased residential units.	8/18/2025 3:10 PM
11	We could have built on existing owned land if there was electricity. Finding some way to put money into electric lines would open many options for those who own, and have a dedicated heart to the area in order to build.	8/15/2025 12:49 PM
12	Vet. Housing and elderly housing	8/13/2025 4:05 PM
13	No to new subdivisions until other options for housing are exhausted	8/12/2025 9:37 AM
14	Long term rentals	8/11/2025 6:03 PM
15	We have a empty subdivision in Eagle Harbor	8/11/2025 4:04 PM
16	Tiny homes	8/11/2025 3:01 PM
17	Reduction in Airbnbs and more multi family daily/weekly rate housing	8/11/2025 9:35 AM

Q16 Where in the County should new single and multi-family housing developments be located?

Answered: 213 Skipped: 204

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Vacant lots; areas where power/services are already in place or can be put in place fairly easy.	9/26/2025 7:41 PM
2	in the existing towns. closer to Mohawk the better.	9/26/2025 1:22 PM
3	In present development areas	9/26/2025 1:19 PM
4	Away from the more rural areas	9/26/2025 10:47 AM
5	Grant township	9/26/2025 10:13 AM
6	In already populated towns	9/26/2025 7:51 AM
7	Calumet Laurium	9/26/2025 6:06 AM
8	In existing towns and villages	9/25/2025 11:32 PM
9	Close to Calumet.	9/25/2025 11:22 PM
10	None	9/25/2025 9:13 PM
11	In established communities	9/25/2025 8:52 PM
12	Population centers of Mohawk, Allouez, etc. that are close to businesses / employers	9/24/2025 9:40 PM
13	All over the county	9/24/2025 8:17 PM
14	The whole county optimally would be preserved as a park or natural lands as it is so unique and beautiful	9/24/2025 1:43 PM
15	Wherever the buyers decide	9/23/2025 9:49 AM
16	Ahmeek	9/22/2025 12:19 PM
17	Along, but set back from US 41	9/21/2025 11:20 PM
18	I don't think I have enough understanding to answer this, however, on concentrated areas that preserve the forested and old rural look of the overall area	9/21/2025 11:18 PM
19	In existing housing areas	9/21/2025 10:53 PM
20	Near current towns	9/21/2025 9:12 PM
21	Mohawk	9/21/2025 9:05 PM
22	Decision should be based on population density.	9/21/2025 7:44 PM
23	Ahmeek and Mohawk would be excellent locations for single and multi family developments.	9/21/2025 1:42 PM
24	In established towns whether these are in need of rehabilitation or not. Single and multi-family housing should not be within a tourist-RETIREMENT area. maybe simply consider whether you would want your Mother or Grandmother in your plans.	9/20/2025 2:24 PM
25	Where the market needs needs them. Rehabilitating single home better than constructing new apartments. High density not necessary in a rural county.	9/20/2025 1:50 PM
26	Southern Keweenaw County	9/20/2025 1:34 PM
27	Available in each township	9/20/2025 10:31 AM
28	Grant twp	9/16/2025 10:21 PM
29	Single family Calumet, Laurium, Mohawk, Eagle River	9/15/2025 6:14 PM

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30	Copper harbor	9/15/2025 2:51 PM
31	Calumet Laurium area... Avoid building Apartment Complexes as they only foster people from wanting to succeed and own & care for their own home..	9/14/2025 10:20 PM
32	Not on Mount Bohemia!	9/14/2025 7:42 PM
33	Mohawk, Copper Harbor	9/14/2025 9:06 AM
34	As near to existing communities as possible	9/12/2025 9:30 AM
35	Keweenaw o	9/11/2025 9:15 PM
36	Not sure	9/11/2025 4:21 PM
37	Mohawk	9/11/2025 11:18 AM
38	Mohawk	9/11/2025 11:08 AM
39	Primarily in existing community clusters coupled with public transit for workers to employment sites	9/11/2025 6:46 AM
40	Next to existing communities	9/11/2025 12:42 AM
41	where currently permitted	9/10/2025 10:18 PM
42	Allouez township	9/10/2025 9:50 PM
43	In close proximity to the business centers within Keweenaw County	9/10/2025 9:26 PM
44	Not on lakeshore	9/10/2025 8:33 PM
45	Close to cities	9/10/2025 1:31 PM
46	Near community centers. Workforce housing in Copper Harbor.	9/10/2025 1:15 PM
47	Close to where employee housing is needed the most.	9/9/2025 8:23 PM
48	anywhere possible	9/9/2025 1:03 PM
49	Mohawk	9/9/2025 11:52 AM
50	There are several crumbling defunct sites that could be redeveloped.	9/7/2025 2:22 PM
51	near roads that are maintained year round	9/7/2025 10:19 AM
52	Next to or within existing towns and cities.	9/6/2025 1:01 PM
53	wherever services are available	9/6/2025 12:31 PM
54	Within community areas	9/6/2025 9:13 AM
55	Junctions of highways, 41, 26, early harbor cut across	9/5/2025 8:25 PM
56	Phoenix Area	9/5/2025 5:19 PM
57	Individual options would need to be looked at based on impact and opportunity	9/5/2025 8:42 AM
58	In existing towns	9/4/2025 1:23 PM
59	Former Industrial Sites and near 41	9/3/2025 2:04 PM
60	In calumet and laurium near groceries etc	9/3/2025 12:35 PM
61	Near US41/M28 or other transport routes & access to Houghton Co. & south for necessary commerce centers.	9/3/2025 8:12 AM
62	In current locations and towns.	9/2/2025 1:20 PM
63	In existing towns, close to where people already live & work	9/1/2025 5:16 PM
64	Existing towns and villages	9/1/2025 12:06 PM
65	Off of 41 in the many towns along the way.	9/1/2025 10:05 AM

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66	Existing villages	8/31/2025 11:48 AM
67	Mohawk	8/30/2025 9:07 PM
68	In existing villages	8/29/2025 6:54 PM
69	Calumet	8/29/2025 6:07 PM
70	Southern area	8/28/2025 5:24 PM
71	Houghton	8/28/2025 2:57 PM
72	There is an identified need in Grant Township...presumably Copper Harbor or within its close proximity. Thoughtful developments in other communities will help to sustain the County's workforce and tax base.	8/27/2025 1:22 PM
73	Should be located close to existing villages (Mohawk/Ahmeek/Eagle Harbor/Copper Harbor	8/25/2025 9:35 PM
74	All options - town, township, south end, etc. a good plan will include living / working/ shopping/ play areas for all types of residents	8/25/2025 6:23 PM
75	Mohawk and where needed.	8/24/2025 4:44 PM
76	Copper City, Mohawk, Copper Harbor	8/24/2025 3:53 PM
77	Easy access to their employees.	8/24/2025 1:12 PM
78	Within a reasonable driving distance (including winter driving) to Grant Township/ Copper Harbor	8/23/2025 2:55 PM
79	Hancock and Houghton	8/23/2025 9:26 AM
80	Within towns and townships	8/22/2025 11:14 PM
81	Mowhawk, Eagle River, Eagle Harbor, Copper Harbor, Lac La Belle, Gay.	8/21/2025 2:25 PM
82	Copper Harbor	8/21/2025 1:44 PM
83	Near existing developments	8/21/2025 12:20 PM
84	NOT LAC LA BELLE ; COPPER HARBOR EAGLE HARBOR WHERE THERE IS MORE OF A COMMUNITY/VILLAGE	8/20/2025 4:57 PM
85	Away from the Lake	8/20/2025 4:49 PM
86	not on protected lands	8/20/2025 2:44 PM
87	Probably copper harbor to support low-wage seasonal workers	8/20/2025 1:32 PM
88	Copper harbor	8/20/2025 12:30 PM
89	Mohawk ahmeek	8/19/2025 11:12 PM
90	No where	8/19/2025 6:05 PM
91	Where there are existing roads, power lines and access to gas, groceries, etc.	8/19/2025 4:42 PM
92	Near or in existing communities	8/19/2025 3:26 PM
93	Rework zoning to enable the market to decide where and what.	8/19/2025 12:03 PM
94	Not in remote areas; closer to where stores, support, schools are available	8/19/2025 11:15 AM
95	Mohawk	8/19/2025 10:17 AM
96	In or near existing towns.	8/19/2025 8:39 AM
97	near existing towns/communities and near the businesses that require employee housing	8/19/2025 8:34 AM
98	If it MUST be done, it should be in TOWNS, close to grocery stores, pharmacy, etc, and not out in the country.	8/18/2025 6:40 PM
99	Southern Keweenaw County	8/18/2025 3:47 PM
100	Anywhere it is needed and fits into the existing surroundings	8/18/2025 1:20 PM

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101	adjacent to highway 41	8/18/2025 1:07 PM
102	Established villages with existing utilities	8/18/2025 11:24 AM
103	In existing towns	8/18/2025 11:21 AM
104	Central to the county such as Mohawk, Pheonix	8/18/2025 10:30 AM
105	Mohawk/calumet	8/18/2025 10:15 AM
106	Mohawk	8/18/2025 8:36 AM
107	In existing communities	8/17/2025 11:23 PM
108	In existing towns and villages	8/17/2025 10:55 PM
109	Eagle Harbor and Grant Townships.	8/17/2025 10:01 PM
110	in peaceful locations where there is natural scenic views.	8/17/2025 9:57 PM
111	Allouez, Houghton, and Sherman townships	8/17/2025 9:07 PM
112	Calumet and Eagle Harbor	8/17/2025 5:39 PM
113	Near Copper Harbor and north of Mohawk	8/17/2025 5:34 PM
114	Begin a study group!	8/17/2025 5:27 PM
115	Houghton township	8/17/2025 2:02 PM
116	Copper Harbor	8/17/2025 1:07 PM
117	Southern areas	8/17/2025 12:59 PM
118	Near Copper Harbor, mt Horace Greeley, near LacLaBelle, Mohawk	8/17/2025 8:20 AM
119	Could develop towards Atlantic mine area, possibly also towards Liminga	8/16/2025 9:39 PM
120	Nowhere	8/16/2025 8:02 PM
121	In established towns where existing infrastructure and services can be enhanced.	8/16/2025 7:00 PM
122	Mohawk area, copper harbor downtown area, us 41	8/16/2025 6:45 PM
123	In current population centers or close to high trafficked outdoor recreation areas	8/16/2025 3:45 PM
124	Ahmeek	8/16/2025 10:53 AM
125	Ahmeek and mohawk	8/16/2025 10:32 AM
126	Near where there are jobs	8/16/2025 9:04 AM
127	Houghton	8/16/2025 7:55 AM
128	Mohawk area	8/15/2025 11:43 PM
129	Where the individual can afford to buy land	8/15/2025 8:35 PM
130	where current zoning allows	8/15/2025 6:31 PM
131	Southern end of the county, Mohawk, Fulton, Ahmeek	8/15/2025 4:57 PM
132	In around Mohawk	8/15/2025 4:54 PM
133	south end near the work	8/15/2025 4:36 PM
134	Allouez Township	8/15/2025 4:04 PM
135	Everywhere	8/15/2025 3:03 PM
136	houghton/hancock/chassell/laurium	8/15/2025 2:00 PM
137	Overlay districts supported by water treatment to facilitate higher density	8/15/2025 1:54 PM
138	Mohawk	8/15/2025 12:56 PM

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139	Eagle Harbor and Eagle River and other developing areas.	8/15/2025 12:49 PM
140	I think we need to utilize all the dilapidated spaces first before looking into building new. If new is needed, they should be located slightly off the main roads in Mohawk and near copper harbor. They should be out of view from passers by to keep the small town vibe alive.	8/15/2025 12:44 PM
141	NO WHERE	8/15/2025 11:52 AM
142	Existing villages and developments	8/15/2025 11:48 AM
143	Mohawk or Fulton	8/15/2025 11:43 AM
144	Ahmeek, allouez	8/15/2025 11:28 AM
145	Mohawk-Ahmeek-Allouez have enough vacant house to fix for now	8/15/2025 11:21 AM
146	Mohawk, Ahmeek, Eagle Harbor Eliza Creek Ln,	8/15/2025 10:48 AM
147	No new developments. Rehabilitation of what is not being used.	8/15/2025 5:58 AM
148	Off Route 41 Corridor	8/14/2025 3:38 PM
149	Only near existing communities.	8/14/2025 11:06 AM
150	on their own property	8/14/2025 10:24 AM
151	infill in existing communities	8/14/2025 8:39 AM
152	Copper harbor	8/14/2025 6:32 AM
153	in the southern part.	8/14/2025 1:55 AM
154	Within or immediately adjacent to existing residential neighborhoods.	8/14/2025 12:35 AM
155	Ahmed and Mohawk	8/13/2025 8:12 PM
156	Allouez, Copper City, Ahmeek, Mohawk	8/13/2025 4:45 PM
157	Away from recreation/tourist/lake areas.	8/13/2025 4:37 PM
158	On main road US 41	8/13/2025 4:05 PM
159	No developements	8/13/2025 4:00 PM
160	Mohawk	8/13/2025 3:33 PM
161	Mohawk and North	8/13/2025 3:00 PM
162	?	8/13/2025 1:23 PM
163	Dispersed	8/13/2025 1:00 PM
164	Near existing communities	8/13/2025 12:43 PM
165	Ahmeek, copper harbor	8/13/2025 11:17 AM
166	Nowhere, or to replace older defunct buildings	8/13/2025 4:45 AM
167	They should be in or adjacent to established towns or areas already platted for new construction to avoid encroaching on natural areas.	8/13/2025 1:32 AM
168	In and around the existing towns	8/12/2025 2:51 PM
169	Near existing communities (e.g. Eagle River, Eagle Harbor, Copper Harbor)	8/12/2025 11:53 AM
170	Mohawk	8/12/2025 9:44 AM
171	Gay, cliff view area, mohawk area, developed areas with good roads already	8/12/2025 9:37 AM
172	Mohawk area	8/12/2025 8:54 AM
173	Mohawk area	8/12/2025 8:37 AM
174	Where the jobs are. More towards Allouez.	8/12/2025 5:38 AM
175	Allouez Twp. Mohawk - Fulton area	8/11/2025 10:14 PM

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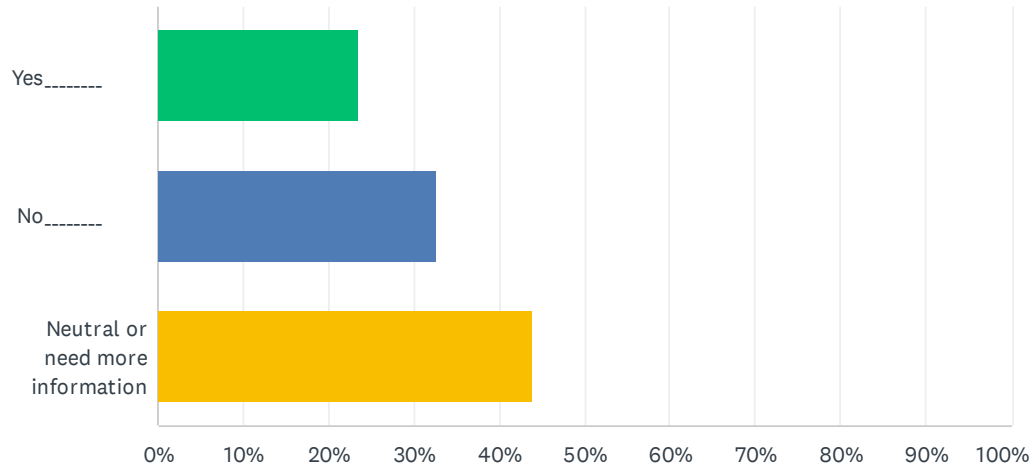
176	Ahmeek and other areas that currently have the utilities available, but the houses have deteriorated.	8/11/2025 8:56 PM
177	Where ever it fits	8/11/2025 8:29 PM
178	Copper Harbor	8/11/2025 7:37 PM
179	Allouez township. Around Mohawk	8/11/2025 6:54 PM
180	Near stores and other services. Clustered in existing population centers, not on wild lands.	8/11/2025 5:44 PM
181	Nowhere	8/11/2025 5:38 PM
182	Anywhere land is available	8/11/2025 5:23 PM
183	Lac La Belle	8/11/2025 4:23 PM
184	single family units where anyone can afford the land and building. multi-living units near by existing, accessible towns	8/11/2025 1:41 PM
185	In or next to towns	8/11/2025 1:26 PM
186	Houghton leave above the bridge alone.	8/11/2025 12:07 PM
187	IN easy proximity to necessary utilities.	8/11/2025 11:12 AM
188	In the more urban areas to create the vibrancy that comes with a bit more density.	8/11/2025 10:03 AM
189	Focus on townships needing increase in property tax base	8/11/2025 9:35 AM
190	Copper Harbor	8/10/2025 11:13 PM
191	Mohawk	8/10/2025 9:59 PM
192	Mohawk	8/10/2025 2:43 PM
193	No!	8/10/2025 1:13 PM
194	Single family on existing AG lots, multi family in existing town areas like Ahmeek, Mohawk, Eagle River, etc	8/10/2025 12:11 PM
195	Wherever the need is identified	8/9/2025 7:09 PM
196	Closest to the infrastructure necessary to support them.	8/9/2025 7:00 PM
197	Mohawk	8/9/2025 5:28 PM
198	Not near trailheads or shoreline. In areas that won't destroy natural resources.	8/9/2025 2:33 PM
199	There's plenty of places to put these near the little communities in the county...Mohawk, ahmeek; allouez, Calumet and so on.	8/9/2025 2:05 PM
200	Mohawk area	8/9/2025 12:49 PM
201	Mohawk, Allouez, Ahmeek, Phoenix	8/9/2025 12:41 PM
202	where people want to build them.	8/8/2025 10:40 AM
203	Good question, Copper Harbor, Allouez Township	8/5/2025 2:08 PM
204	In RR zoned area's	8/4/2025 8:47 PM
205	places with existing infrastructure (Ahmeek/Mohawk/Eagle Harbor/Copper Harbor)	8/1/2025 12:13 PM
206	Adding a block to town	8/1/2025 7:49 AM
207	Mohawk south with workforce housing projects near or in Resort services areas	7/31/2025 1:37 PM
208	Nowhere	7/31/2025 1:17 PM
209	Between Bumbletown and Dextrom Roads, No multi-family developments	7/31/2025 12:54 PM
210	single family throughout County. Multi-family in current villages	7/30/2025 9:58 PM
211	Why is the county getting involved in this? Are you hoping to develop tax payer owned county	7/30/2025 12:06 PM

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	land or TNC land which would go back to the county tax payers?	
212	Mohawk.	7/30/2025 7:48 AM
213	All areas that the market deems appropriate.	7/29/2025 3:07 PM

Q17 Would you support local tax incentives or other similar programs to help boost the development of affordable housing?

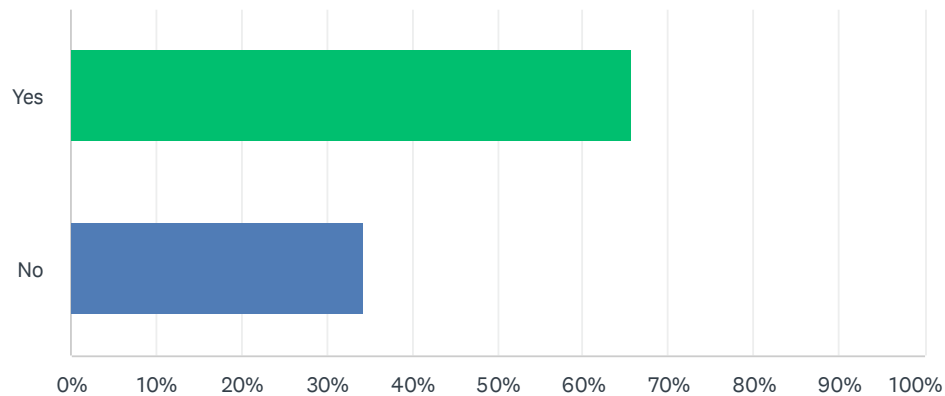
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes_____	23.56%	94
No_____	32.58%	130
Neutral or need more information	43.86%	175
TOTAL		399

Q18 Basic regulations for Short Term Rentals currently exist in Keweenaw County. Do you feel Short Term Rentals (STR, Airbnb, VRBO, etc.) should be further regulated in the County?

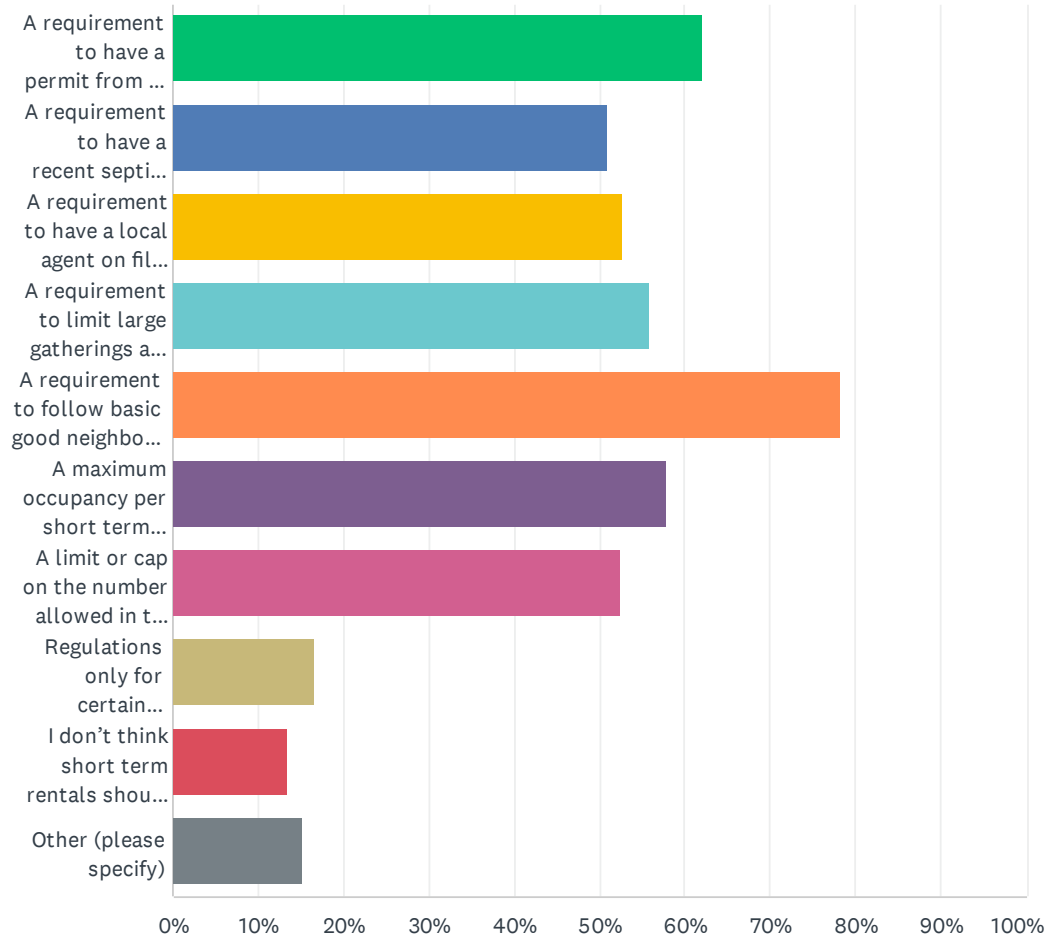
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ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
Yes		65.67%	264
No		34.33%	138
TOTAL			402

Q19 If so, what types of regulations for Short Term Rentals do you feel are appropriate (mark all that apply)

Answered: 355 Skipped: 62



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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
A requirement to have a permit from the County (annual fee)	61.97%	220
A requirement to have a recent septic system inspection	50.99%	181
A requirement to have a local agent on file with the County for emergency contact	52.68%	187
A requirement to limit large gatherings and events	55.77%	198
A requirement to follow basic good neighbor rules (noise, gatherings, parking, etc.)	78.31%	278
A maximum occupancy per short term property based on the # of bedrooms	57.75%	205
A limit or cap on the number allowed in the County (% of total housing units or similar)	52.39%	186
Regulations only for certain geographic areas (waterfront, higher density neighborhoods)	16.62%	59
I don't think short term rentals should be regulated.	13.52%	48
Other (please specify)	15.21%	54
Total Respondents: 355		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	I had to call the police last year on an air bnb person who threatened to shoot my dog!	9/25/2025 10:42 PM
2	Nomorerestrictions	9/25/2025 9:13 PM
3	STRs should be charged a tourism tax based on total percentage of profit per month per STR	9/24/2025 9:40 PM
4	Requirements for Rentals to have public road access, and Rules and regulations surrounding campfires and beach health and safety.	9/23/2025 2:32 PM
5	Noise regulations and enforcement	9/23/2025 9:49 AM
6	There are both positive and negative aspects of short term rentals. One of the positive things is that older dwellings that have fallen into disrepair are being fixed up. Eventually some of these dwellings may be sold as the short term market gets saturated. Some people who stay in short term rentals fall in love with the Keweenaw and move here. Short term rentals also tend to bring in visitors all year long, especially in summer, winter and fall, so help the local tourist economy. Second homes, while they bring in more property taxes are often likely to be occupied for the summer months only, decreasing business activity in the winter. On the downside, short term rentals can affect housing availability. Another negative aspect can be absent owners who don't monitor their property.	9/22/2025 12:05 AM
7	Short term rentals of accessory dwellings, or true single room rentals within a permanent resident's primary dwelling should be encouraged	9/21/2025 11:18 PM
8	Noise and other problems should be addressed just as if the tenants lived there. Call law enforcement if being a "bad" neighbor	9/21/2025 9:12 PM
9	Enforcement is the key to successful regulations. There should be a limit based on areas, e.g. no more than 10% STR in established residential neighborhoods. Bete Grise unfortunately has more than 50% of homes operating as STRs. Areas within the county should be established for STRs without intruding on neighborhoods of full time residents.	9/21/2025 1:42 PM
10	yearly inspections to make certain the unit is cared for and not abandoned.	9/21/2025 12:47 PM
11	Septic Inspections need to match the # of Bedrooms - hence a site inspection of the housing by the Health Department.	9/20/2025 2:24 PM
12	Property Owners should be Limited as to how Many Short Term Rental Properties they can own and operate a Short Term Rental. Possibly even consider Short Term Rentals only to be used for a period of years, then allow New Short Term Rentals to be used while the other properties return to use a Cottage or Home.. Short Term Rentals should have stricter	9/14/2025 10:20 PM

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guidelines for late hours Noise, with the possibility to loose this S T Rental Agreement with Keweenaw County..

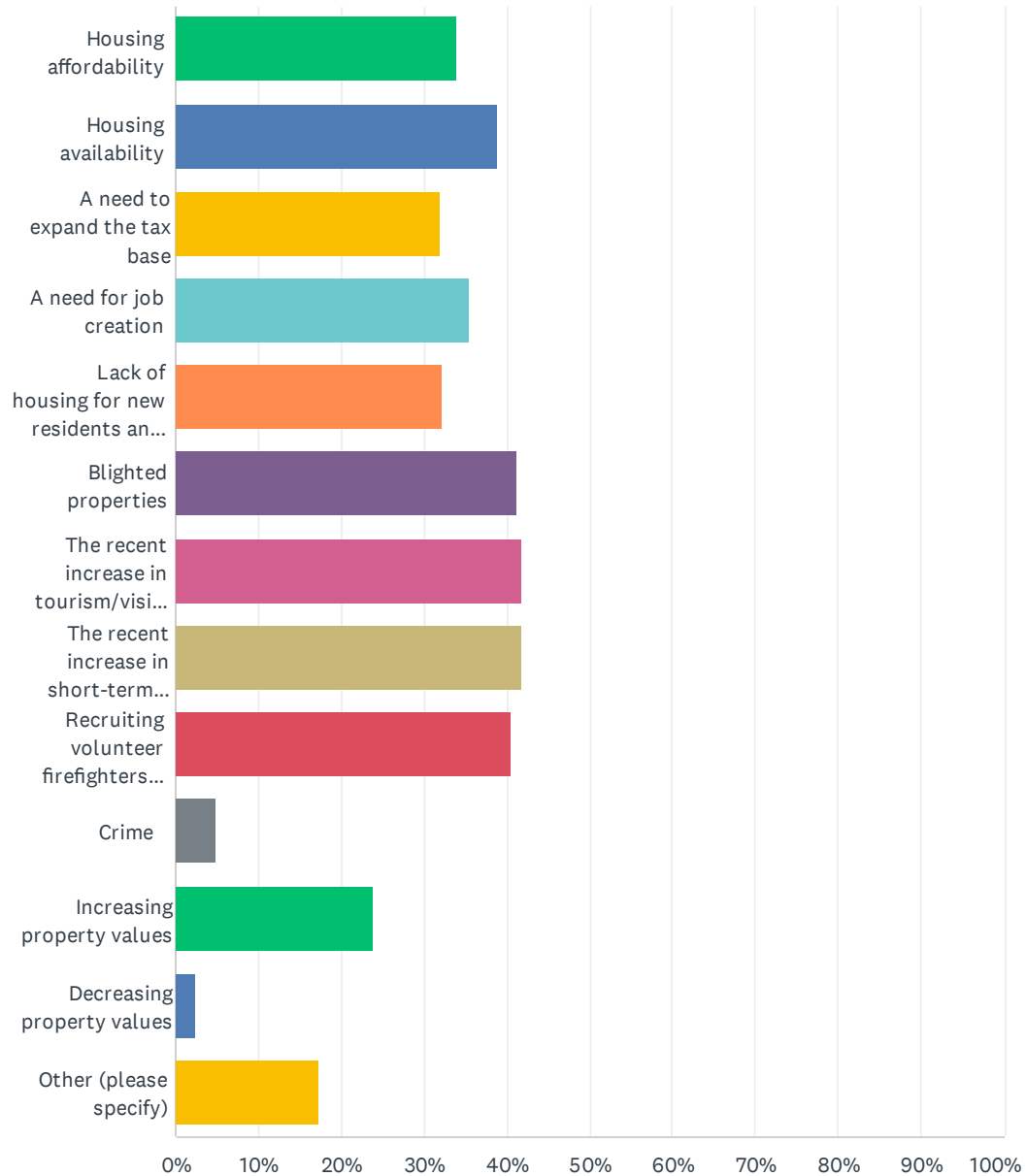
13	An effective method of suspending/revoking violators of those rules	9/11/2025 6:46 AM
14	Stricter regulations for waterfront. Access from public roads not easements. No rentals over easements unless parties agree in writing.	9/11/2025 12:42 AM
15	policing registration, proximity/density in relation to other STRs so nobody's overrun by them. Bed tax so they fund the extra burden they place on public services.	9/10/2025 10:18 PM
16	Must receive approval from neighbors	9/9/2025 3:48 PM
17	Waterfront that is NOT in a residential area. Limit to where property owner is on site or next door. Limit to properties with public road access NOT private easement access. Limit to commercial zones or mixed use areas.	9/6/2025 1:01 PM
18	My fears are related to septic systems condition/size for waterfront dwellings and impacts of transient large loads	9/4/2025 1:23 PM
19	limit number of residences (houses, apartments) available to license short term according to actual local resident needs for place to live - in other words, don't price people out of a place to live just because tourists can pay more!	9/3/2025 8:12 AM
20	Limits on the number of short term rentals in a particular area. (density limit)	9/1/2025 5:16 PM
21	STR should be regulated like any business. These are money making ventures and as such should require commercial permits, inspections and be taxed as a commercial operation.	8/21/2025 5:44 PM
22	They should pay the bed tax and a fee to support roads and the Sheriff	8/21/2025 1:44 PM
23	Allow smaller units of government (township) to decide on which regulations make sense for a given community.	8/20/2025 11:03 PM
24	MORE FEES, THEY SHOULD HELP FUND THE COUNTY AND PAY FOR THE AMOUNT OF HIGH VOLUME TRAFFIC, EMERGENCY SERVICES, ETC NEEDED IN THE AREA DUE TO THEM	8/20/2025 4:57 PM
25	these housing types are ruining the Keweenaw and make housing unaffordable for residents	8/20/2025 2:44 PM
26	I realize that this is complex. The goal should be to encourage use by people who vote here and can contribute to the community. Hotels may well be a better solution than all these rentals.	8/19/2025 12:03 PM
27	STR are part of the landscape. They should be welcomed not feared. STRs are the way the middle class can afford a second home and help build generational wealth. Without short term rentals Keweenaw County homes would cater towards rich people that can afford a second or third home without the need for the additional income that the STRs provide.	8/19/2025 8:39 AM
28	STR's are a blight. I know. I have one next to my permanent home in Wisconsin.	8/18/2025 6:40 PM
29	Only permit them where existing commercial rentals are already established	8/18/2025 11:24 AM
30	I have an airbnb and it is run to follow good neighbor etiquette.	8/17/2025 9:57 PM
31	The biggest problem I see with this, is that air bnbs are one of the top factors contributing to putting recreational properties out of the financial reach of locals. I would like to see regulations that make it very difficult for people from out of the area to rent out properties in Keweenaw County on the short term. We are slowly losing our culture and identity to outsiders buying up all of the property.	8/17/2025 11:23 AM
32	Let people make a living, sheesh, it's hard enough already...	8/17/2025 10:23 AM
33	There is no housing availability because it keeps getting bought up for Air BNBS. There is no regulation and being that I have a camp right next to one, it can really ruin peoples' homes and neighborhoods if you get loud or disrespectful renters in there. There are too many short term rentals in the county.	8/16/2025 8:02 PM
34	STR should be inspected to require compliance with Existing building/construction codes and the county should enforce regulations on non permitted STR occuring with non inspected structures being rented out.	8/16/2025 4:14 PM

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35	Limit the # of STR owned by one entity and limit how close those str's are to one another	8/15/2025 8:07 PM
36	Require a bond to cover potential damage to the neighbors	8/15/2025 12:56 PM
37	I think owner occupied short-term rentals should be obsolete from county management. There are avenues in place for bad neighbors. Management of other short term rentals should vary based on conditions and potential issues that may arise from a lack of supervision on property. From an outside perspective, I fear that the short term rental industry has lent to the housing problem that currently exists therefore a subcommittee may be appropriate.	8/15/2025 12:44 PM
38	I believe that air BNBs are causing the housing shortage. If the houses are both for short term rentals you have lack of housing.	8/15/2025 12:19 PM
39	Tax them for every renter to help cover local taxes	8/13/2025 4:05 PM
40	They need to support increased taxes to benefit the needs of the locals. In munising for example, the owners of the Airbnbs vote down any tax increases to benefit the locals living there year round because they simply don't care about the locals, only the tourists. So munising elementary school cannot get the updates it needs. The kids have a school full of asbestos. And the locals have to pay to use the beaches!	8/12/2025 6:09 PM
41	The property owners who come on holidays and summer months ignore the good neighbor rules far worse than short term rental visitors.	8/11/2025 7:57 PM
42	owners should regulate their own short-term rentals	8/11/2025 1:41 PM
43	Owner of the short term rental must live in the county of their rental.	8/11/2025 12:07 PM
44	Hotel taxes for short term rentals. Florida charges tourists 7% and 6% sales tax.	8/11/2025 11:37 AM
45	Formal mechanisms to adjudicate complaints by neighbors or others in the community	8/11/2025 10:03 AM
46	If you want local people to be able to afford lakefront or any property here, you'd better drop the hammer on VRBOs. Maybe you should consider looking into a rule where only people with a taxable address in close proximity zip codes can qualify for a vrbo permit.	8/11/2025 12:01 AM
47	Only people who are paying property taxes on a different primary or seasonal residence in certain surrounding counties (maybe Keweenaw, Houghton, Baraga) should be allowed to hold a short term rental permit on a VRBO property.	8/10/2025 11:59 PM
48	Ok as is for now	8/10/2025 12:11 PM
49	A bed tax to go to the county as is paid by motels etc	8/9/2025 5:58 PM
50	training for respecting others properties; fines for littering	8/9/2025 3:34 PM
51	So many units have been added it's lessened the number of long term rentals available. Not everyone can afford to buy especially with the high cost of housing these days.	8/9/2025 2:05 PM
52	A cap on number of days per year a housing unit can be rented out. 60 days, for example.	8/8/2025 9:05 AM
53	Should have a Tourism Tax, would help county finances immensely	8/4/2025 8:47 PM
54	Address drnsity	7/30/2025 12:06 PM

Q20 What are the challenges facing Keweenaw County? (select all that apply)

Answered: 392 Skipped: 25



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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Housing affordability	33.93%	133
Housing availability	38.78%	152
A need to expand the tax base	31.89%	125
A need for job creation	35.46%	139
Lack of housing for new residents and seasonal/year-round employees	32.14%	126
Blighted properties	41.07%	161
The recent increase in tourism/visitation	41.84%	164
The recent increase in short-term rental properties	41.84%	164
Recruiting volunteer firefighters and first responders	40.56%	159
Crime	4.85%	19
Increasing property values	23.98%	94
Decreasing property values	2.30%	9
Other (please specify)	17.35%	68
Total Respondents: 392		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Limit relationships with conservancy organizations	9/25/2025 9:13 PM
2	Keep the skies dark for astronomical viewing and the area quiet	9/24/2025 1:43 PM
3	Lack of following rules and regulations by the board	9/22/2025 2:37 PM
4	Noise created by plane traffic	9/22/2025 12:42 PM
5	The need for sustainable, environmentally sustainable jobs.	9/22/2025 12:05 AM
6	No public transit	9/21/2025 11:20 PM
7	The county challenges stem from the county boards ability to understand and promote economic development. Without a dedicated indicative, such as the former Economic Development Committee, the challenges only grow.	9/21/2025 1:42 PM
8	Lack of skilled laborers to for housing constructing and remodeling	9/20/2025 1:50 PM
9	lack of wireless connectivity	9/15/2025 2:44 PM
10	Short Term Rentals and the impact it provides neighbors and community..	9/14/2025 10:20 PM
11	short term rental and outside business interests who wish to change character	9/11/2025 11:18 AM
12	Enforcement of violations of existing laws and ordinances that creates the Las Vegas or anything goes atmosphere for some residents and visitors	9/11/2025 6:46 AM
13	Less rentals owners on site or live in the area.	9/11/2025 12:42 AM
14	Allowing people to continue to hunt in the county.	9/10/2025 9:50 PM
15	City corruption	9/10/2025 8:33 PM
16	individual property taxes are getting ridiculous.	9/9/2025 1:03 PM
17	Too many conservation blocks to public land	9/9/2025 6:12 AM
18	Not enough people to support the small township.	9/5/2025 5:19 PM

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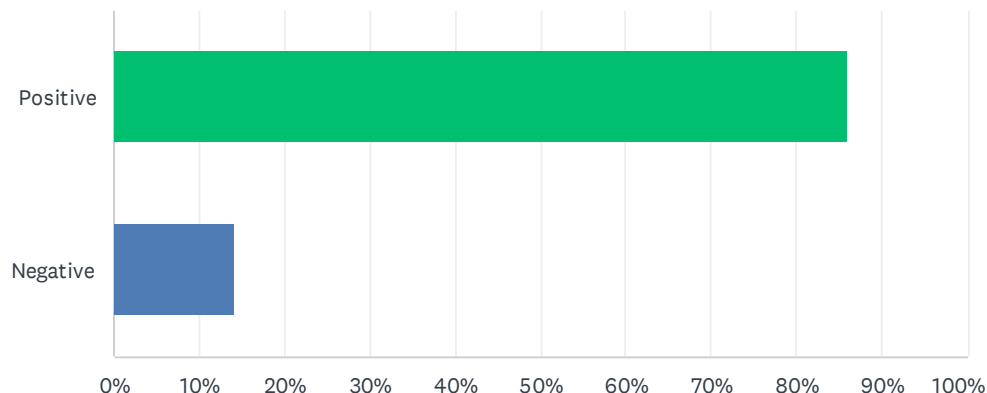
19	the lack of year around, non-service related jobs and careers	9/4/2025 1:23 PM
20	Lack of enforcement of current regulations	8/31/2025 11:48 AM
21	Old thinking holding the county back	8/31/2025 11:03 AM
22	A need for grant funding that does not require high matching funds to apply for. People of moderate means don't have access to capital like developers do. If we want good neighbors, we need to invest in them.	8/30/2025 9:07 PM
23	Disinformation polarizing the citizenry, increasing autocracy and the collapse of our country's democratic values	8/24/2025 11:09 PM
24	Keeping land open to the public and protect from over building.	8/24/2025 4:44 PM
25	Lack of emergency services and rescue, lack of emergency trail rescue and equipment, lack of certified repellers that are close than 40 miles away, lack of water rescue	8/24/2025 3:53 PM
26	Need to limit the amount of conservancy land that doesn't pay taxes	8/24/2025 10:47 AM
27	The misunderstanding that STRs have anything to do with housing availability/affordability issues in Grant Township, particularly in Copper Harbor. The homes that are STRs would not be affordable/attainable to working folks -- too big a price tag. Furthermore, the majority of STRs in Copper Harbor have either been new development OR historically used as STRs for decades.	8/23/2025 2:55 PM
28	Much of the talk of housing in this survey is necessitated by the push for development and the employees needed to run the services , tourism industry. Slow down expansion of tourism business and the push for housing drops off.	8/21/2025 5:44 PM
29	food insecurity is on the rise	8/20/2025 2:44 PM
30	If we broadcast and add facilities to every beautiful spot - we'll most certainly lose the charm of the Keweenaw.	8/20/2025 12:42 AM
31	The noxious smell from Neuvokas needs to be eliminated or regulated.	8/19/2025 6:05 PM
32	Lack of people to work in local government. Low pay for local officials like Clerks and Supervisors. Non-profit organizations that do not always seem to share their real goals and pay little tax. Past land use mistakes: attractions, like Devil's washtub and much of the beach at Bete Gris, have been lost. More input should be obtained from the few businesses we have left and from major land owners.	8/19/2025 12:03 PM
33	Board members who ignore legal rules of procedure, and/or ignore expressed community concerns	8/19/2025 11:15 AM
34	Keweenaw County has a problem with Xenophobia. Until the community learns to be more welcoming to outsiders we will continue to have trouble recruiting volunteer firefighters and first responders. New residents are not interested in navigating the "good ole boys club."	8/19/2025 8:39 AM
35	poor trail management in compared to past years	8/18/2025 8:26 PM
36	Attracting families to locate in the area and to join in the volunteer activity which is needed to operate the county	8/18/2025 10:30 AM
37	The County is changing right before our eyes! Our Sheriff Dept. is taxed to the limit and the local people (many survive on social security along) foot the bill for the needs of increased tourism. The County receives no additional money for the strain in puts on our limited resources and this is not fair.	8/17/2025 9:57 PM
38	"development" and decreased access to wild camping	8/17/2025 10:23 AM
39	Racism	8/16/2025 9:39 PM
40	Pretty soon the locals aren't going to be able to afford to live up here and that's sad.	8/16/2025 8:02 PM
41	housing for seasonal employees	8/16/2025 7:29 PM
42	Lack of transportation options	8/16/2025 7:00 PM
43	Notorized trail access	8/16/2025 3:56 PM

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44	Out of State, primarily summer only residents controlling regulation	8/15/2025 4:57 PM
45	New residents moving in and turning county into over regulated city style	8/15/2025 4:36 PM
46	need a YMCA; dire need for more, larger retail stores ie tjmaxx, meijer's, hobby lobby, etc	8/15/2025 2:00 PM
47	Housing availability applies to all housing availability, including seasonal employees.	8/15/2025 12:44 PM
48	Saving the character and wilderness nature of Keweenaw peninsula	8/15/2025 11:21 AM
49	Reducing the number and scope of the zoning ordinances.	8/14/2025 11:06 AM
50	Too many tax free land shelter organizations	8/14/2025 10:24 AM
51	Need more playgrounds/parks, trails for year round use of walking, running, snowshoeing etc	8/13/2025 6:38 PM
52	Certain individuals buying up everything under the guise of conservancy and then in a few years, locking everyone out of it. You know who I am referring to, our very own pseudo Elon Musk of Keweenaw county	8/12/2025 6:09 PM
53	Better highways	8/12/2025 9:28 AM
54	Out of town influence	8/11/2025 8:29 PM
55	Too many social club fire departments. No apparent oversight of fire departments. Need a county wide fire department that provides better coordinated fire protection and less socializing and drinking. And do we have any trained and equipped local forest fire fighting capability? No.	8/11/2025 5:44 PM
56	Need activities (pickle ball courts, racket ball, and restaurants	8/11/2025 4:23 PM
57	Preservation of natural beauty.	8/11/2025 2:09 PM
58	Development of large unoccupied properties and less room for wildlife	8/11/2025 1:26 PM
59	No comment.	8/11/2025 11:37 AM
60	Managing and controlling large corporate land development.	8/11/2025 10:03 AM
61	Ambulance availability and public transportation	8/11/2025 9:35 AM
62	Minding your own business, leaving the mill age alone.	8/10/2025 1:13 PM
63	Decreasing population in UP, need more full time residents	8/10/2025 12:11 PM
64	More control of the conservancy's!!!	8/9/2025 6:50 PM
65	stupid people that trespass, cut trees, violate permits, vandalize, make noise, tear/mess up public bathrooms	8/9/2025 3:34 PM
66	increasing property values driving increased property taxes	8/8/2025 10:40 AM
67	Support services issues will come with increased Tourism	8/4/2025 8:47 PM
68	Keeping the rural character and beautiful viewscapes along our roads. Limit commercial development that will seep into residential areas.	7/30/2025 9:58 PM

Q21 Is Winter a positive or negative attribute to living in Keweenaw County?

Answered: 377 Skipped: 40



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Positive	85.94% 324
Negative	14.06% 53
TOTAL	377

#	WHY? (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Harder to get around with all the snow!!	9/26/2025 7:41 PM
2	I love the change in seasons	9/26/2025 7:51 AM
3	Snow offers opportunities for outdoor recreation	9/25/2025 11:32 PM
4	It's beautiful on the winter. recreational opportunities	9/25/2025 11:22 PM
5	Too far to drive to bigger cities.	9/25/2025 10:57 PM
6	Winter recreation	9/25/2025 9:21 PM
7	Winter outdoor recreation and beauty	9/24/2025 9:40 PM
8	Things traditionally have quieted down in the winter and have become more peaceful. However, there seems to be an increase in snowmobile traffic. This should be limited to certain areas so that the rest of the county retains its peacefulness. There is a lot of noise and exhaust from snowmobiles. Also it would be good to limit the hours of operation so that they are not going all night long.	9/24/2025 1:43 PM
9	While much better than in the past, the extreme cold is just too much; too expensive to heat, to difficult to travel safely. these issues related directly to being older and on fixed income.	9/24/2025 9:25 AM
10	The strong lake effect creates good snowfall, slowing for winter sports like snowshoeing and cross country skiing that are disappearing from other areas in the Midwest.	9/23/2025 2:32 PM
11	winter sports	9/23/2025 9:49 AM
12	Dislike winter	9/22/2025 2:37 PM
13	Beautiful and things quiet down a little	9/22/2025 12:42 PM
14	Unique climate	9/22/2025 12:19 PM

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15	Opportunities for fun activities	9/22/2025 9:57 AM
16	Snowfall and recreational opportunities--silent sports--cross country skiing and fat biking	9/22/2025 12:05 AM
17	Lots of people like winter sports and outdoor activities	9/21/2025 11:20 PM
18	I now live near ironwood MI and I miss the snow. I love skiing. I love the camaraderie of snow storms. It's just who we are.	9/21/2025 11:18 PM
19	With climate change a reality, we will attract more winter tourists	9/21/2025 10:53 PM
20	Winter sports and activities	9/21/2025 9:12 PM
21	There are many who love winter outdoor activities- we have such an abundance of those assets	9/21/2025 12:47 PM
22	Only because of the snow fall amounts. 300 inches of snow is unsurmountable whether you are a senior or are not able to manage it physically due to personal risk..	9/20/2025 2:24 PM
23	I don't mind winter, but it is too long and stays too cold into the spring. The deep snow and developments with private roads creates serious accessibility challenges.	9/20/2025 1:50 PM
24	300" of snow	9/20/2025 1:34 PM
25	Fewer places south are getting consistent snow anymore. Having a distinct and robust winter season is a draw	9/20/2025 11:27 AM
26	Diversity in seasons, outdoor recreation no available in other climates. Necessary to always address winter for year round jobs etc	9/20/2025 10:31 AM
27	Snow!	9/17/2025 1:21 PM
28	Like it	9/16/2025 10:21 PM
29	Wealth of outdoor activities.	9/16/2025 3:38 PM
30	Personally I love winter :) ❄️	9/15/2025 6:14 PM
31	Snow is lovely	9/15/2025 2:51 PM
32	Winter Activities can be a positive thing if we prepare visitors with proper information on things like (Signs on where to Park?, What Streets are Off Limits, Allow access to gas stations and Restaurants, Etc..)	9/14/2025 10:20 PM
33	Love winter	9/13/2025 4:04 PM
34	Winters like ours will be increasingly hard to find	9/12/2025 9:30 AM
35	Recreation tourism.....it has positive and negative aspects.	9/11/2025 4:21 PM
36	Winter is monopolized by visitors.	9/11/2025 11:08 AM
37	The restrictions on outdoor activities, transportation, social interactions	9/11/2025 6:46 AM
38	Quiet beauty and recreation	9/11/2025 12:42 AM
39	Silly question. Can KC change the weather? Negative if you are trying to get to work, positive when you have time to get out and enjoy. Positive for tourism.	9/10/2025 10:18 PM
40	Recreational opportunities, beauty, quiet,	9/10/2025 9:26 PM
41	Increases tourism	9/10/2025 1:31 PM
42	Our snowfall is what makes our area unique and beautiful in the Winter.	9/9/2025 8:23 PM
43	makes most people leave	9/9/2025 1:03 PM
44	Long cold winter!	9/9/2025 11:52 AM
45	4 seasons	9/9/2025 6:12 AM
46	For us it is more quiet, less busy, natural resources can recover, places without snowmobiles and ATV need to be provided, not just for skiing.	9/8/2025 1:15 PM

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47	Side road access.	9/8/2025 1:00 PM
48	Both....depending on where you live (not on main roads) it can be impossible to get in or out but part of the Keweenaw charm is the rugged beauty of the area which includes the extreme snows or temperatures.	9/7/2025 2:22 PM
49	Outdoor recreation	9/7/2025 7:47 AM
50	The snow. The beauty. The skiing/snowshoeing .	9/6/2025 1:01 PM
51	winter activities	9/6/2025 12:31 PM
52	Length of season.	9/5/2025 5:19 PM
53	Winter provides a wide variety of recreational opportunities that are unique and stimulating.	9/4/2025 1:23 PM
54	xc skiing / peace and quiet	9/3/2025 2:04 PM
55	Because it's winter! Beautiful, few(er) tourists, no bugs, peaceful (except the increasingly overpowered and loud snowmobiles).	9/3/2025 8:12 AM
56	Treacherous, harsh weather conditions	9/1/2025 5:16 PM
57	Expands tourism opportunities	8/31/2025 11:48 AM
58	Solitude and quiet majesty of the natural beauty	8/30/2025 9:07 PM
59	As long as snow fall is enough for winter sports	8/29/2025 6:07 PM
60	Road conditions	8/29/2025 11:32 AM
61	Mother Nature rules	8/28/2025 5:24 PM
62	Keeps. A lot of tourists out	8/28/2025 2:57 PM
63	Kind of a silly question..the weather is what it is. We're known for winter. It's a natural part of our area. We need to do more for climate change before we lose winter entirely.	8/28/2025 9:38 AM
64	In an era of diminishing winters, snow is an asset for both quality of life and economic development.	8/27/2025 1:22 PM
65	Attracts winter tourism	8/27/2025 8:55 AM
66	unsafe for snowmobiling	8/26/2025 4:50 PM
67	nature and unique activities and Beaty	8/26/2025 8:52 AM
68	It can be if we run with it - create more winter activities support infrastructure- resources, activities, etc.	8/25/2025 6:23 PM
69	Love experiencing the full four seasons.	8/23/2025 2:55 PM
70	Cold, long, isolated area.	8/22/2025 11:14 PM
71	Winter Sports/Activities	8/22/2025 4:56 PM
72	Snow gets in the way.	8/21/2025 5:44 PM
73	High price of propane and snow removal.	8/21/2025 3:30 PM
74	An extra dose of quiet, cross country skiing and snowshoeing.	8/21/2025 2:25 PM
75	Long winter is best for natural habitats and Lake Superior	8/21/2025 1:44 PM
76	There's tons to do in the winter here and while not for everyone, an asset to many and an opportunity for a more balanced tourism scene.	8/21/2025 1:17 PM
77	Winter sports draws tourists	8/21/2025 12:20 PM
78	It would be great to see cross country skiing and backcountry skiing be expanded	8/21/2025 11:51 AM
79	It fosters self-sufficiency.	8/20/2025 8:41 PM
80	Tourism	8/20/2025 4:59 PM

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81	Fabulous winter recreation opportunities	8/20/2025 4:56 PM
82	Come on....really?	8/20/2025 4:49 PM
83	Snow sports	8/20/2025 1:05 PM
84	My property is not suitable for winter living.	8/20/2025 12:30 PM
85	Constant cloud cover is depressing.	8/20/2025 6:13 AM
86	Love the high snow fall here.	8/20/2025 12:42 AM
87	Lack of signage lack of restaurants	8/19/2025 11:12 PM
88	Since I don't live here in the winter, I don't feel I can answer this one way or another	8/19/2025 4:42 PM
89	It is beautiful and good for active people. Keweenaw Co deals with the snow very well. And the lake protects us from the severe cold. Florida is available for many in the winter!	8/19/2025 12:03 PM
90	we used to say: it keeps out the riffraff!	8/19/2025 11:15 AM
91	Nice to be able to snowmobile into my property, there aren't too many places left where you can do things like this.	8/19/2025 10:17 AM
92	Brings tourism and winter recreation opportunities.	8/19/2025 8:39 AM
93	brings tourism (money) to the area, provides recreation opportunities and no bugs.	8/19/2025 8:34 AM
94	It's only negative for us because we like to be able to mountain bikers year round.	8/18/2025 9:05 PM
95	Keweenaw used to be the best snowmobile trail system in the nation (no longer)	8/18/2025 8:26 PM
96	It is beautiful and keeps out the riffraff.	8/18/2025 6:40 PM
97	Recreational activities, skiing (downhill and cross-country), snowshoe, snowmobile	8/18/2025 3:10 PM
98	If you enjoy winter recreation, otherwise negative.	8/18/2025 1:07 PM
99	Winter activities cross country ski, snowshoeing and snowmobiling	8/18/2025 11:21 AM
100	There are as many activities and attractions in the winter as in the summer/fall	8/18/2025 10:30 AM
101	The natural beauty and outdoor recreation	8/17/2025 11:23 PM
102	We receive a lot of snow and I don't mind that it keeps the riff raff away!	8/17/2025 9:57 PM
103	Beautifully	8/17/2025 9:50 PM
104	The need to hire a plow for driveways. However winter sports revenue is a positive for the county.	8/17/2025 5:45 PM
105	Tourism opportunities	8/17/2025 5:39 PM
106	They do a very good job of taking care of the roads	8/17/2025 5:34 PM
107	So many winter outdoor activities	8/17/2025 5:27 PM
108	Less traffic and visitors	8/17/2025 4:29 PM
109	Too long and brutal for full time residents	8/17/2025 3:46 PM
110	Winter recreational activity	8/17/2025 12:59 PM
111	Being so far north of Michigan and so close to the great Lake Superior, many tourists may expect a cold but cozy town that loves to ski, sled, and play hockey during the winter season.	8/16/2025 9:39 PM
112	Less people	8/16/2025 8:25 PM
113	Keeps people from living here year round.	8/16/2025 8:08 PM
114	KC Road Commission is Stellar! Snow is beautiful.	8/16/2025 8:05 PM
115	Cross country skiing!	8/16/2025 8:02 PM
116	enjoy winter activities and winter in general	8/16/2025 7:29 PM

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117	Winter recreation, beauty	8/16/2025 7:00 PM
118	No indoor fitness center	8/16/2025 6:45 PM
119	Snowfall totals	8/16/2025 3:56 PM
120	Winter activities and trail availability are a draw	8/16/2025 3:45 PM
121	Outdoor recreation	8/16/2025 10:53 AM
122	Road access	8/16/2025 7:55 AM
123	Quieter	8/15/2025 11:43 PM
124	Lots of recreation outdoors, just like summer	8/15/2025 8:35 PM
125	Fewer tourists. Very quiet and peaceful. No bugs	8/15/2025 8:07 PM
126	M-26 is plowed twice a day, if lucky.	8/15/2025 6:37 PM
127	beauty, keeps out the riff-raff	8/15/2025 6:31 PM
128	Tourism without summer "residents"	8/15/2025 4:57 PM
129	winter activities	8/15/2025 4:36 PM
130	It's quiet and beautiful. A time to reflect and also be outdoors.	8/15/2025 4:04 PM
131	Snowmobile and skiing opportunities (tourism) aid businesses to remain viable during the winter	8/15/2025 2:26 PM
132	both, travel in and out is difficult but it is beautiful and attracts tourism	8/15/2025 2:00 PM
133	Tourism	8/15/2025 1:54 PM
134	skiing/snowmobiling	8/15/2025 1:52 PM
135	way harder than almost anywhere else in the country to get to work by 8AM. It's cold, it's wet, it's windy.	8/15/2025 12:56 PM
136	Natural experience if snow removal is possible	8/15/2025 12:49 PM
137	I think it's both depending on perspective. If you are an outdoor enthusiast, it's fabulous. If you're not,, provide travel, hazards, and access issues that are uncontrollable	8/15/2025 12:44 PM
138	Keeps us close to each other and keeps us peaceful	8/15/2025 11:52 AM
139	Winter Activities, snowmobiling specifically	8/15/2025 11:43 AM
140	Winter has shaped the character of the Keweenaw, Winter is amazing up here	8/15/2025 10:48 AM
141	Less out of town tourism until the snowmobile season.	8/15/2025 9:52 AM
142	Tourism. Winter sports, snowmobiling.	8/15/2025 8:55 AM
143	Old people don't do well in snow :)	8/15/2025 8:01 AM
144	Winter activities	8/14/2025 4:07 PM
145	Many things to do in the winter. It's a Beautiful Season.	8/14/2025 11:19 AM
146	Love each season with it's unique opportunities.	8/14/2025 11:06 AM
147	neither it happens	8/14/2025 10:24 AM
148	many opportunities to get out and be active in the winter	8/14/2025 8:39 AM
149	There are many outdoor activities to do in the snow.	8/14/2025 7:11 AM
150	It's one of the few places where winter still exists in some form in Michigan	8/13/2025 8:10 PM
151	unique culture & environment	8/13/2025 4:45 PM
152	Since winter is cold in the Midwest, it's best to have snow. It's prettier and allows for winter sports like skiing, snowshoeing and snowmobiling. I	8/13/2025 4:37 PM

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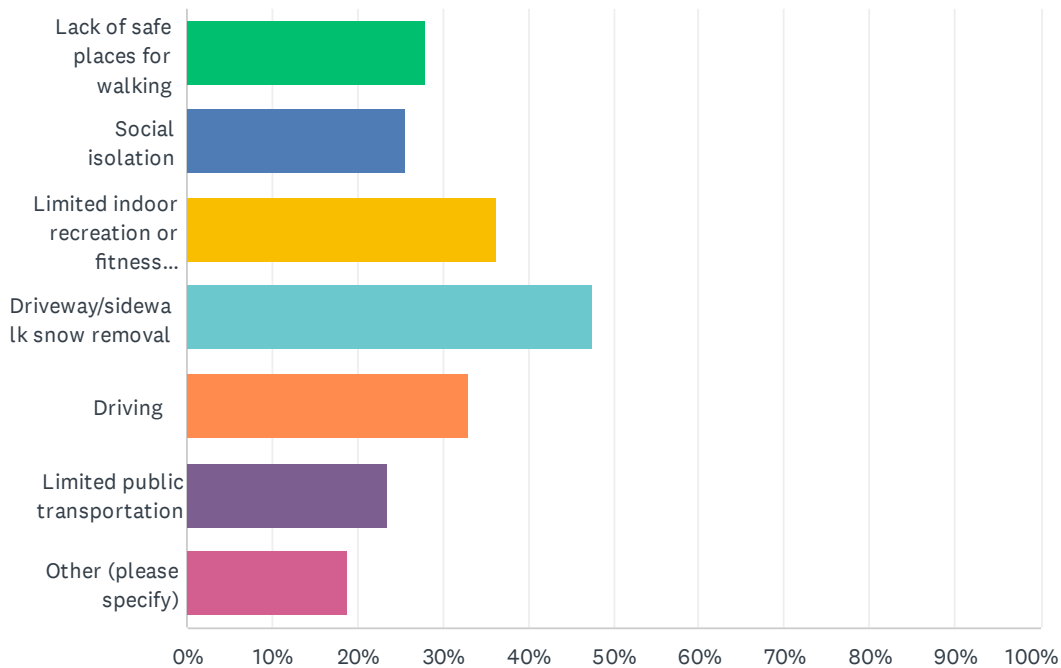
153	Because I love to ski and snowshoe and loved working at Mount Bohemia in college	8/13/2025 4:04 PM
154	Activities such as cross country skiing	8/13/2025 3:33 PM
155	It's awesome	8/13/2025 12:43 PM
156	The road commission used to have the best plowed roads anywhere, this is no longer the case and commuting has become increasingly dangerous. It's disappointing.	8/13/2025 11:17 AM
157	Beauty. Quietness	8/13/2025 10:24 AM
158	Provides winter sports activities and keeps the riff-raff away.	8/13/2025 1:32 AM
159	Born and raised on the Keweenaw its part of life.	8/12/2025 10:46 PM
160	Quiet	8/12/2025 8:43 PM
161	Tourism money for the local businesses	8/12/2025 6:09 PM
162	Winter activities, beauty	8/12/2025 11:53 AM
163	Build additional business opportunities	8/12/2025 9:37 AM
164	Winter is peaceful	8/12/2025 9:32 AM
165	All the seasons have their positives.	8/12/2025 9:28 AM
166	Winter brings tourism dollars to our county, snowmobilers, ski hill, cross country skiing, skating, hockey. Lots of outdoor recreation is available.	8/11/2025 10:14 PM
167	Availability of outdoor recreation opportunities during winter	8/11/2025 8:56 PM
168	Brings lots of tourism	8/11/2025 8:29 PM
169	Winter is part of what Keweenaw County is all about. If people don't like winter or can't take care of themselves in winter they should live elsewhere.	8/11/2025 5:44 PM
170	Mostly due to people who do not know how to drive in it	8/11/2025 5:38 PM
171	snow shoeing and skiing	8/11/2025 4:23 PM
172	Brings in tourism.	8/11/2025 4:04 PM
173	Snow amounts.	8/11/2025 3:53 PM
174	The lack of snow removal services for people's driveways	8/11/2025 3:01 PM
175	one of the best places in the midwest for winter tourism	8/11/2025 1:41 PM
176	Tourism, and keeps resident population low	8/11/2025 1:26 PM
177	Depends on the person, interests, and age.	8/11/2025 12:27 PM
178	They don't plow the roads like they use to.	8/11/2025 12:07 PM
179	Winter sports.	8/11/2025 11:37 AM
180	We like winter.	8/11/2025 11:12 AM
181	Winter sports, especially skiing and skating	8/11/2025 10:03 AM
182	Gotta love 9 months of snow!	8/11/2025 9:35 AM
183	Year round employment opportunities	8/10/2025 9:59 PM
184	Winter can be too long for many, but it's a beautiful time for many.	8/10/2025 9:51 PM
185	Winter sports	8/10/2025 2:43 PM
186	It is a fact of life, should be embraced and celebrated	8/10/2025 12:11 PM
187	skiers and snowmobilers spend money	8/9/2025 10:32 PM
188	Less people	8/9/2025 9:07 PM
189	Not a fan of cold weather	8/9/2025 8:11 PM

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190	Supports tourism and jobs!	8/9/2025 7:09 PM
191	We love winter.	8/9/2025 7:00 PM
192	Roads are very well maintained	8/9/2025 5:58 PM
193	snow... but there should be more emphasis on non motorized recreation	8/9/2025 4:01 PM
194	peaceful time, road commission is awesome, snow	8/9/2025 3:34 PM
195	Love winter and silent sport opportunities	8/9/2025 2:33 PM
196	I'm old who does my own snow removal. I don't know how much longer I can do it.	8/9/2025 2:05 PM
197	Snow! More snow, please.	8/9/2025 12:41 PM
198	I tolerate winter so I can enjoy summer.	8/8/2025 9:05 AM
199	County Cash flow for increased County services	8/4/2025 8:47 PM
200	Snowmobiling	8/1/2025 7:49 AM
201	Beauty and tourism	7/31/2025 11:04 PM
202	The beauty of winter	7/30/2025 9:58 PM
203	Tourists leave. STR customers don't stay up late outside or muck up nature.	7/30/2025 12:06 PM
204	It reduces the amount of people (hence reducing crime, etc) that can handle living here.	7/30/2025 7:48 AM

Q22 What challenges do you face in winter? Choose as many as needed

Answered: 282 Skipped: 135



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Lack of safe places for walking	28.01%	79
Social isolation	25.53%	72
Limited indoor recreation or fitness opportunities	36.17%	102
Driveway/sidewalk snow removal	47.52%	134
Driving	32.98%	93
Limited public transportation	23.40%	66
Other (please specify)	18.79%	53
Total Respondents: 282		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	None	9/25/2025 9:13 PM
2	I currently don't live there in winter but do visit	9/22/2025 9:57 AM
3	I do not live in Keweenaw County in the winter so cannot respond based on experience.	9/21/2025 7:44 PM
4	Mt Bohemia is a safety hazard to county residents because of skiers entering the road. It's only a matter of time before someone is killed by a passing motorist.	9/21/2025 1:42 PM
5	poorly maintained roads (but our county does a stellar job)	9/21/2025 12:47 PM
6	Needing to repair or rebuild for winter residence whether during Feb/Mar or not.	9/20/2025 2:24 PM

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7	Lake house on unplowed private road. Impossible to get agreement from enough of the 50 or so owners to upgrade the road to country specs.	9/20/2025 1:50 PM
8	reduced cell service during ski/snowmobile season (also true in high summer season as well)	9/11/2025 10:54 AM
9	short daylight hours. my road is not salted and requires cleated shoes to avoid wiping out. Snow removal.	9/10/2025 10:18 PM
10	Change the color of the seasonal road signs at Brockway Mt and end of 41	9/10/2025 9:26 PM
11	snow removal	9/7/2025 10:19 AM
12	none	9/6/2025 9:13 AM
13	heating bills!	9/3/2025 8:12 AM
14	We are seldom here in the winter due to the harsh weather	9/1/2025 5:16 PM
15	Lack of open eating establishments and room rentals for winter tourists	8/31/2025 11:48 AM
16	I don't visit the County in winter	8/24/2025 11:09 PM
17	Off road parking.	8/21/2025 5:44 PM
18	None	8/21/2025 3:25 PM
19	It would be great to see Mandan plowed to at least bring people out to East Bluff and beyond neighborhood development	8/21/2025 11:51 AM
20	MOST PEOPLE WHO LIVE HERE LIVE HERE FOR THE WAY IT IS	8/20/2025 4:57 PM
21	I think the county does very well with snow removal! Much appreciated!	8/20/2025 12:42 AM
22	Again, I can't really answer this because I haven't lived here in the winter to experience any of these things. I could only speculate.	8/19/2025 4:42 PM
23	Lack of nearby places to buy everyday essentials.	8/19/2025 12:03 PM
24	Noise level from snowmobiles.	8/19/2025 8:39 AM
25	noise and fume pollution from snowmobiles. Trespassing from snowmobilers.	8/19/2025 8:34 AM
26	WM is terrible and needs to be better manage for the area	8/18/2025 11:08 PM
27	limited fuel availability after dark	8/18/2025 8:26 PM
28	Snowplow hit our garage	8/17/2025 11:23 PM
29	N/A	8/17/2025 9:50 PM
30	I live right on the border of Houghton county and drive a 4 wheel drive veh.	8/17/2025 5:34 PM
31	None	8/17/2025 5:27 PM
32	NA	8/17/2025 2:02 PM
33	Keweenaw=Snow! Be prepared!	8/16/2025 8:05 PM
34	Trave travel by the ski hill Mount Bohemia	8/16/2025 3:56 PM
35	Would like more easy trails for snowshoeing and cross country skiing. Promote quiet sports over snowmobiling	8/16/2025 3:45 PM
36	I've given up; I - and both my neighbors - now leave for a portion of the winter.	8/15/2025 6:37 PM
37	None	8/15/2025 3:03 PM
38	No challenges	8/15/2025 11:43 AM
39	In Florida for Winter	8/15/2025 8:55 AM
40	People who don't know how to live in a Keweenaw winter	8/15/2025 5:58 AM
41	Just keeping up with the snow. No biggie.	8/14/2025 11:06 AM

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42	Limited places to put snow from driveway in certain neighborhoods	8/13/2025 4:04 PM
43	Summer is more challenging with all of the tourists.	8/12/2025 5:38 AM
44	None, winter is why we moved here!	8/11/2025 8:56 PM
45	None	8/11/2025 8:29 PM
46	none, yet	8/11/2025 1:41 PM
47	Businesses not keeping their parking lots and store fronts clear of snow.	8/11/2025 12:07 PM
48	We embrace the challenges, so actually we don't see them as challenges.	8/11/2025 11:12 AM
49	Na	8/10/2025 9:59 PM
50	I love winter, no issues	8/10/2025 12:11 PM
51	No challenges...just don't like it	8/9/2025 8:11 PM
52	We accept the challenges and embrace them.	8/9/2025 7:00 PM
53	None	7/30/2025 12:06 PM

Q23 Do you have any ideas for the County to make winter a more positive experience? (facilities or services) Write in answers

Answered: 128 Skipped: 289

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	I like the idea of promoting heavily winter tourism. It's harder abuse the land while generating income.	9/26/2025 1:22 PM
2	Just keep plowing	9/26/2025 7:51 AM
3	The winter is what it is! This is why there is 80 percent of Michigan population lives in the lower peninsula below Lansing . Too far north away from big city services. No volume of people will ever occupy full time.	9/25/2025 10:57 PM
4	Makesurethewholecountyis opentotaxpayersw/restrictions	9/25/2025 9:13 PM
5	Promote the serenity and tranquility of winter in the Keweenaw. Can offer photography and art classes to showcase winter indoor / outdoor activities that highlight the area's beauty.	9/24/2025 9:40 PM
6	No	9/22/2025 2:37 PM
7	Paved or hard packed trails connecting communities (non-motorized!)	9/22/2025 12:05 AM
8	The county should provide weekly fitness classes, possibly rotating through townships.	9/21/2025 1:42 PM
9	Smaller events for the small towns to bring in the tourists. Such as a Music Fest in Calumet with food vendors, Snowman Creations in Eagle Harbor for kids 3-12, Snowmobile Trail "events" for folks to stop and have a hot drink on the path while using the trails and a bunch of other things fun things for each small town that wanted to participate.	9/21/2025 12:47 PM
10	#1 Priority - Communication #2 Priority - Emergency Services #3 Maintain the true character of the Heartlands - what God gave us. Removing existing forestry for the sake of greed is not going to draw "lovers of the Keweenaw".	9/20/2025 2:24 PM
11	Snowmobiling made winter much more enjoyable for me. I would even take snowshoes with and go snowshoeing in different parts of the county. Maintaining access and good grooming is key. In recent years the trails were in poor condition and as a result a winter trip up there is less of a priority for me.	9/20/2025 1:50 PM
12	No	9/20/2025 1:34 PM
13	Support vision of winter business expansion such as Rock Solid's Nordic Center	9/20/2025 10:31 AM
14	Leave the Winter time alone	9/17/2025 1:21 PM
15	Volunteer services or barter services for snow removal, meals on wheels, handyman services.	9/11/2025 4:21 PM
16	Enforce laws	9/11/2025 11:08 AM
17	Very worried about winter emergency services - increased cellular coverage and funds to cover EMS perhaps paid as part of skiing lift tickets and recreation permits.	9/11/2025 10:54 AM
18	Support for community ski trails.	9/11/2025 12:42 AM
19	celebrate it. reasons to get out. festivals, lighted trail walks, weekly gatherings indoor.	9/10/2025 10:18 PM
20	Encourage more year-round services in Copper Harbor.	9/10/2025 1:15 PM
21	Keep noisy stinking snowmobiles off the roads.	9/9/2025 3:48 PM
22	Provide places a person can walk/snowshoe with their dog or alone but not compete with snowmachines, skiers, fat wheel bikers, etc.	9/8/2025 1:15 PM
23	We already have an extensive network of connected snowmobile trails. It would be nice to have a few more ski/snowshoe type trails	9/6/2025 1:01 PM

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24	Our students need the proper gear to learn how to ski, snowshoe, etc.	9/6/2025 12:31 PM
25	Indoor facilities in closer proximity. Everything is so far away.	9/5/2025 5:19 PM
26	Saunas, Saunas, Saunas & an indoor pool. (See, bayfield county, WI) 3rd spaces to meet and greet that are family friendly and not primarily organized around alcohol; not that I'm opposed to the sale of alcohol really anywhere, but places with a healthier focus (like fitness or play) would be good, especially for young families.	9/3/2025 2:04 PM
27	Allocate some of the tourist tax - maybe more in winter than summer but still a significant amount year-round - to plowing, emergency winter situations, etc. (and maybe heating help). It takes people living and working and caring all year to make it a fun spot for 3 days in July!	9/3/2025 8:12 AM
28	Improved communication systems Promote the winter activities and resources	8/31/2025 11:48 AM
29	A county "Time Bank". I trade one hour of my time teaching/practicing a skill for one hour of someone else's time. EI: I fix your drafty window and you give me a mandolin lesson. Great social capital improver	8/30/2025 9:07 PM
30	Help for all the seniors would be helpful.	8/28/2025 9:38 AM
31	Support for private (ie Mt Bohemia) and non-profits/organizations (snowmobile, xc ski, fat bike, snowshoe trails) that maintain our winter recreational resources. A private	8/27/2025 1:22 PM
32	snowmobiling needs to be made safer	8/26/2025 4:50 PM
33	Community center with indoor pool/sauna/walking track	8/25/2025 9:35 PM
34	Shuttle bus service to calumet, ice rink, activities, services, housing for service staff to attract more winter residents thus more restaurant options	8/25/2025 6:23 PM
35	Closer Emergency Services	8/24/2025 3:53 PM
36	We need to attract and appeal to younger demographics. Everyone up here who offers services to residents are getting old.	8/24/2025 1:12 PM
37	A recreational or fitness center would be nice.	8/22/2025 11:14 PM
38	You have to give people a way to get out and about to avoid Cabin Fever. Ideally, this would include some form of exercise or way to experience the outdoors. Things like wide plowed roads that allow people to walk, establish & maintain cross-county ski trails etc.	8/21/2025 5:44 PM
39	Downhill skiing for everyone, not just experts.	8/21/2025 4:01 PM
40	We really do lack a great indoor rec facility for families. That would make an enormous difference for many, many families.	8/21/2025 1:17 PM
41	An indoor community exercise and gathering facility, access to groceries, etc.	8/21/2025 11:51 AM
42	Tourism and realtors should openly explain the lack of services and critical infrastructure.	8/20/2025 8:41 PM
43	Less snow & cold	8/20/2025 4:49 PM
44	More separate snowshoe/ski trails from snowmobile trails.	8/20/2025 1:32 PM
45	Service for the elderly to be plowed out and walkways shoveled.	8/20/2025 10:15 AM
46	Let's keep it just as it is. Ski trails are excellent. Roads are well cared for.	8/20/2025 12:42 AM
47	Increase signage for recreational areas, post warnings of risks involved, plow roads better more sand on areas between Phoenix and copper harbor. Increase cross country ski trails add gas stations, better cell service	8/19/2025 11:12 PM
48	I'm sorry but I don't have any ideas because I don't know what is already offered.	8/19/2025 4:42 PM
49	The snow gauge is great but it scares people. Perhaps also talk about the road commission's great work and the fact that the Lake protects us from severe cold.	8/19/2025 12:03 PM
50	Inexpensive, well-taught movement and exercise classes sited in/near the smaller towns. More health-class offerings - ie evidence-based no-falls programs, nutrition, craft/hobby/card classes/gatherings some of which could be intergenerational	8/19/2025 11:15 AM

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51	Work with logging companies and land owners to allow for more access to wilderness via snowmobile.	8/19/2025 10:17 AM
52	More public cross country ski trails.	8/19/2025 8:39 AM
53	Public indoor pool and gym. Snow bank removal mid-winter since they need push it into our driveway when plowing.	8/19/2025 8:34 AM
54	Salt on US 41 all the way to Copper Harbor	8/18/2025 9:05 PM
55	more daytime grooming of the trails! 24/7 gas station	8/18/2025 8:26 PM
56	Would help to have more indoor physical activity options; work-out facilities, swimming pools for laps, etc.	8/18/2025 3:10 PM
57	More indoor recreation. An indoor climbing wall would be terrific. A multi sport indoor training facility is needed.	8/18/2025 8:36 AM
58	Plow my driveway, stop the plow driver from putting mountains of snow in my driveway after I shovel it! Some counties have a millage and the plow the driveway for the residents.	8/17/2025 9:57 PM
59	N/A	8/17/2025 9:50 PM
60	Pilot projects to develop additional activities to draw tourism dollars during winter.	8/17/2025 5:39 PM
61	Not at this time!	8/17/2025 5:27 PM
62	Limit tourists.	8/17/2025 2:02 PM
63	living space for short term visitors, county controlled and maintained ski and snowshoe trails	8/17/2025 12:59 PM
64	Road shoulders	8/17/2025 11:32 AM
65	Keweenaw County could really use a health/fitness complex.	8/17/2025 11:23 AM
66	Need for better cell service	8/17/2025 8:20 AM
67	If we have a 'true' winter, I think we could have more informational talks/pamphlets about how to drive snowmobiles on the trails, and what to do in an emergency. If it is a warm winter, we should cater more to cozy places to go to or things/events along the boardwalk.	8/16/2025 9:39 PM
68	It's fine. You know about snow when you move here, right!	8/16/2025 8:25 PM
69	More ski trails perhaps, but not some big old development. Just something like Swedetown where nature is preserved and accessible and it's low key.	8/16/2025 8:02 PM
70	Transportation to local community events held indoors or outdoors	8/16/2025 7:00 PM
71	indoor fitness facility winter events senior center	8/16/2025 6:45 PM
72	Would like more easy trails for snowshoeing and cross country skiing. Promote quiet sports over snowmobiling. Target that segment of the population with lodging and restaurant and trail options.	8/16/2025 3:45 PM
73	Cross country skiing trails	8/16/2025 10:53 AM
74	Limit anymore conservancy land sales. They are taking over a the good land. No future in keweenaw for new families	8/16/2025 10:32 AM
75	Indoor ice rink or courts	8/15/2025 4:54 PM
76	a YMCA with an indoor walking course and indoor swimming	8/15/2025 2:00 PM
77	I feel its great	8/15/2025 1:54 PM
78	A community gym would be beneficial to all members of the community. Having a place to work out in the winter months would improve well being.	8/15/2025 1:18 PM
79	Community events for social interaction	8/15/2025 12:56 PM
80	If snowmobile visitors have housing like duplexes they purchase for reasonable prices, the. They would be more inclined to visit year around bringing in spending and tax revenue.	8/15/2025 12:49 PM
81	I think a lack of public transportation is an absolute negative for the area. I worry about our	8/15/2025 12:44 PM

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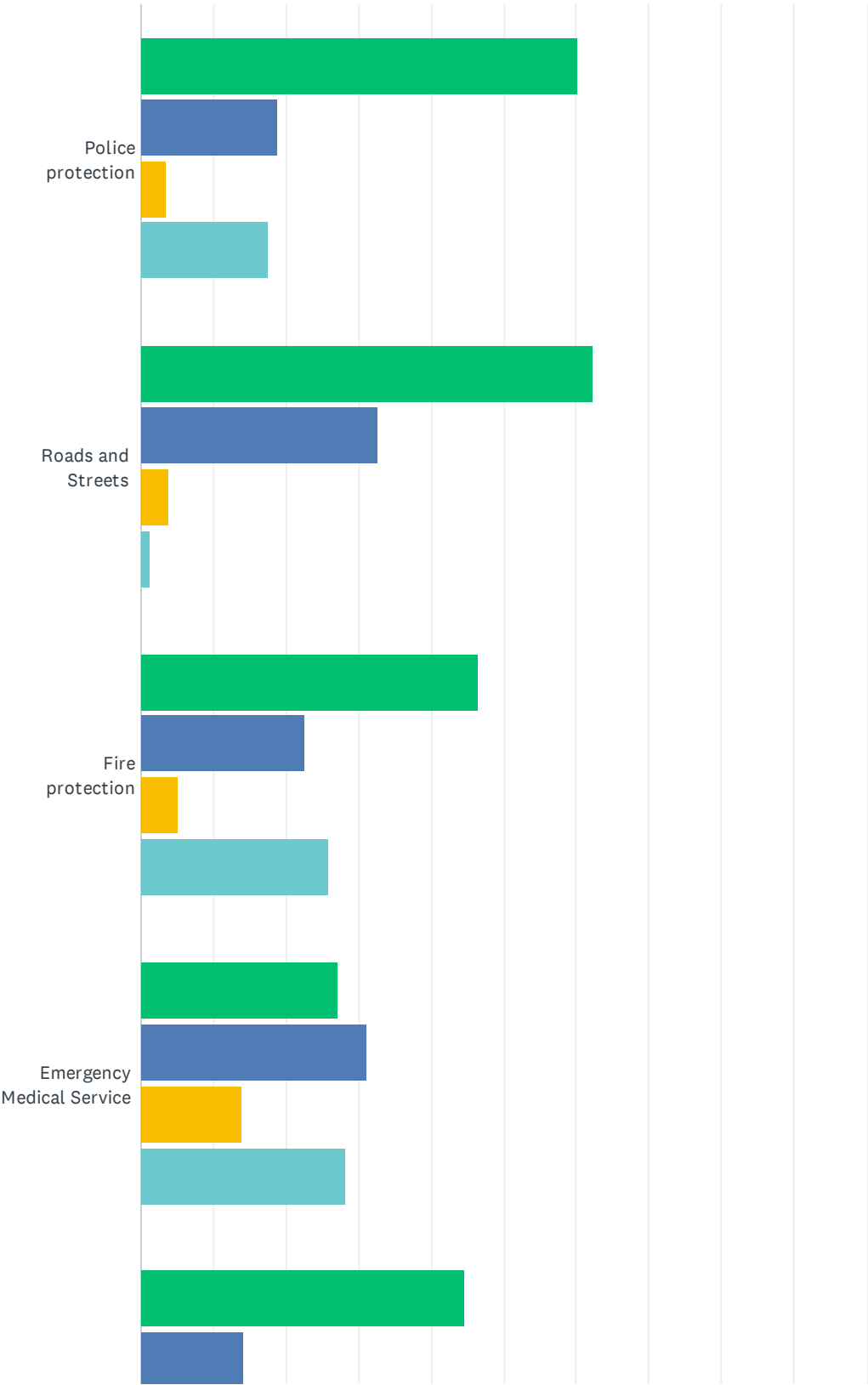
	elderly and food access.	
82	Find a way to stop our driveways from getting plowed in	8/15/2025 11:52 AM
83	Better support for things that bring in tourism, such as keeping snowmobile trails open and groomed	8/15/2025 11:43 AM
84	Clean the ice and snow off the sidewalk and parking at the post office	8/15/2025 11:21 AM
85	Indoor multi-purpose community spaces for group exercise, sports like pickleball, clubs.	8/15/2025 10:48 AM
86	I have not stayed through the winter	8/15/2025 8:23 AM
87	Less encouragement of constant visitor snowmobile traffic	8/13/2025 8:10 PM
88	The Ahmeek ice rink is great but an indoor rink would be nice. Or a facility that offered indoor activities to play basketball, work out, etc	8/13/2025 6:38 PM
89	I wish we had access to snowshoe at the Seneca Lake trail. I wish there was a stand alone library that isnt inside a school that is in session. I dont feel comfortable going there to work remotely.	8/13/2025 4:45 PM
90	A roof over the Ahmeek ice rink.	8/13/2025 4:37 PM
91	I love the Copper Country Winters. its one of the main reasons i want to get back up there. Get an Anytime fitness up there, but I could open a franchise of that up there.	8/13/2025 4:04 PM
92	Daily public transportation to Houghton or Calumet with stops at the Airport.	8/13/2025 4:00 PM
93	Cross country skiing Snowmobile rental Lake tours/ Fishing expedition tours Full scale advertising noting and showing all Keweenaw has to offer. 18 hole professional Golf Course to attract PGA tours. Think of all the free advertising that would bring.	8/13/2025 1:23 PM
94	Better cell service for winter emergencies	8/13/2025 4:45 AM
95	Cut back the banks more often to make driving and walking safer.	8/12/2025 8:43 PM
96	A YMCA please! I know that is too much for us but at least one between Calumet and Hancock.	8/12/2025 6:09 PM
97	Maybe work with copper shores and calumet area. Indoor pool, rec area would be nice for all residents	8/12/2025 9:37 AM
98	We already have great snowmobile trails and a world class ski destination.	8/12/2025 9:28 AM
99	It is the reason we live here... more snow, maybe?	8/12/2025 5:38 AM
100	More for seniors to do. Our winters are so long and with our seniors, many are alone. We need to find something for them.	8/11/2025 10:14 PM
101	No	8/11/2025 8:29 PM
102	Plow and sand the roads more frequently.	8/11/2025 7:57 PM
103	Affordable public transportation!!!	8/11/2025 5:44 PM
104	No	8/11/2025 5:38 PM
105	Indoor activities available exercise facility	8/11/2025 4:23 PM
106	Driveway snow removal service	8/11/2025 3:01 PM
107	There need to be help for snow removal for the elderly and disabled.	8/11/2025 12:27 PM
108	Go back to putting the twigs up so drives have a better awareness of the road, so you can maintain your driving lane.	8/11/2025 12:07 PM
109	More restaurants that are open in the winter	8/11/2025 10:03 AM
110	Increase cross country and snowshoe trails	8/11/2025 9:35 AM
111	Boy Keweenaw County sure could use a gym/indoor exercise facility.	8/11/2025 12:01 AM
112	I think it's all here already, get outdoors!	8/10/2025 9:51 PM

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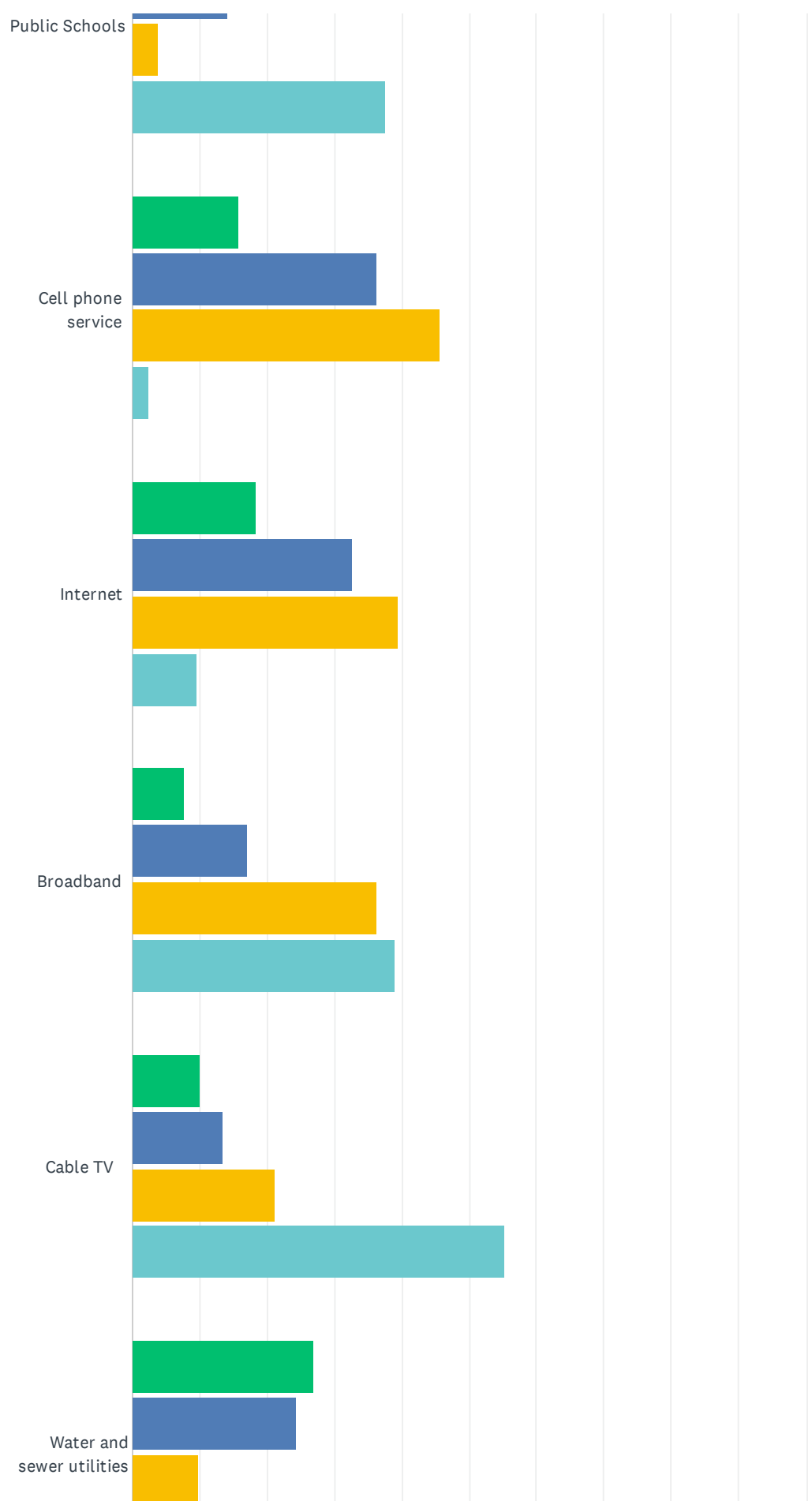
113	Go outside. Step away from the computer screen.	8/10/2025 1:13 PM
114	Maybe more organized group events by tourism bureau or educational institutions like snowshoe hikes, skiing hikes, etc	8/10/2025 12:11 PM
115	A library book mobile for winter deliver & pick up of library books.	8/9/2025 7:00 PM
116	groomed Cross Country ski trail network with rental cabins along the trails	8/9/2025 4:01 PM
117	Indoor play ground/rock wall, track or space for children to run and play. Being outside in the snow is only fun for young children for so long. The need for them to get their energy out is hard to do inside a home.	8/9/2025 3:34 PM
118	Keep snowmobiles off of private property and high traffic roadways (other than designated access points to businesses)	8/9/2025 2:33 PM
119	No	8/9/2025 2:05 PM
120	Build a YMCA with a gymnasium and pool.	8/9/2025 12:41 PM
121	An indoor gym without having to go to Calumet would be great	8/5/2025 2:08 PM
122	On going cash flow=Taxing B & Bs	8/4/2025 8:47 PM
123	Embrace Finnish sauna culture	8/1/2025 12:13 PM
124	Little gym, sauna	8/1/2025 7:49 AM
125	Cross country ski routes, could be scenic traditional routes.	7/31/2025 11:04 PM
126	More children friendly events and playgrounds/splash pads	7/31/2025 12:54 PM
127	Its fine	7/30/2025 12:06 PM
128	Community fitness centers	7/20/2025 10:11 AM

Q24 Overall, how do you rate the quality of the following public facilities and services within the County?

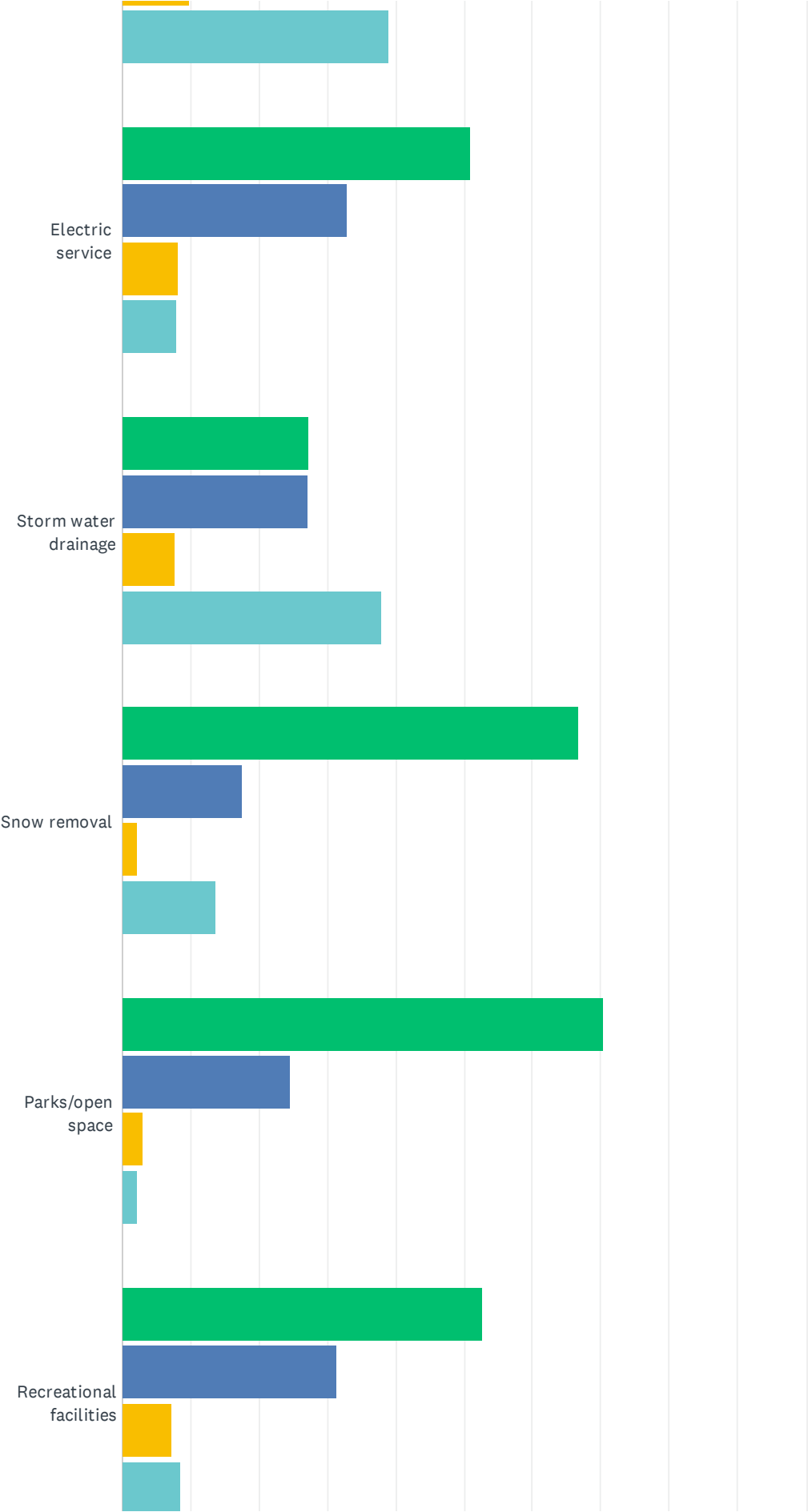
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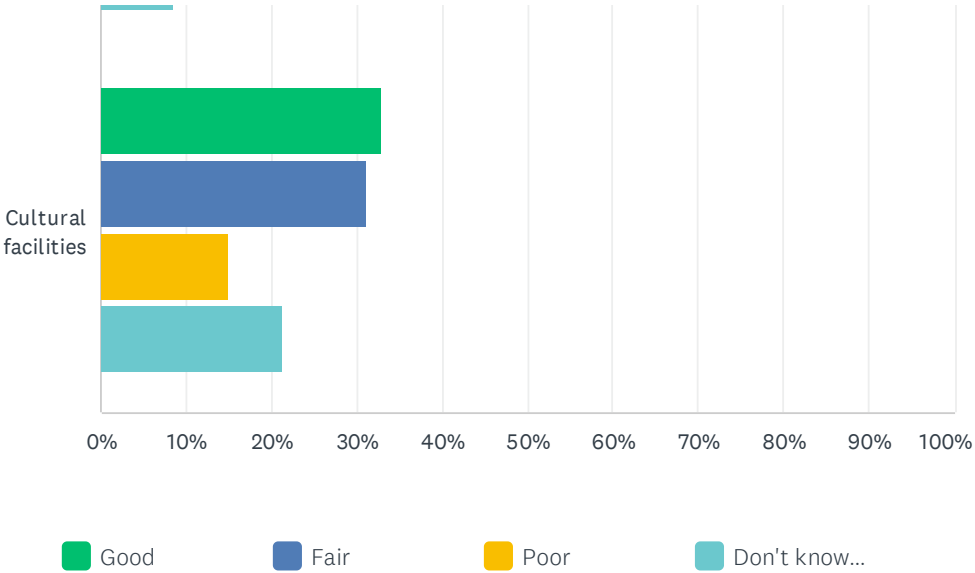
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	GOOD	FAIR	POOR	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Police protection	60.05% 239	18.84% 75	3.52% 14	17.59% 70	398	1.79
Roads and Streets	62.31% 248	32.66% 130	3.77% 15	1.26% 5	398	1.44
Fire protection	46.48% 185	22.61% 90	5.03% 20	25.88% 103	398	2.10
Emergency Medical Service	27.07% 108	31.08% 124	13.78% 55	28.07% 112	399	2.43
Public Schools	44.50% 174	14.07% 55	3.84% 15	37.60% 147	391	2.35
Cell phone service	15.83% 63	36.18% 144	45.73% 182	2.26% 9	398	2.34
Internet	18.43% 73	32.58% 129	39.39% 156	9.60% 38	396	2.40
Broadband	7.75% 30	17.05% 66	36.18% 140	39.02% 151	387	3.06
Cable TV	10.08% 39	13.44% 52	21.19% 82	55.30% 214	387	3.22
Water and sewer utilities	26.92% 105	24.36% 95	9.74% 38	38.97% 152	390	2.61
Electric service	51.02% 200	32.91% 129	8.16% 32	7.91% 31	392	1.73
Storm water drainage	27.25% 106	26.99% 105	7.71% 30	38.05% 148	389	2.57
Snow removal	66.67% 262	17.56% 69	2.04% 8	13.74% 54	393	1.63
Parks/open space	70.26% 274	24.62% 96	3.08% 12	2.05% 8	390	1.37
Recreational facilities	52.66% 208	31.39% 124	7.34% 29	8.61% 34	395	1.72
Cultural facilities	32.82% 128	31.03% 121	14.87% 58	21.28% 83	390	2.25

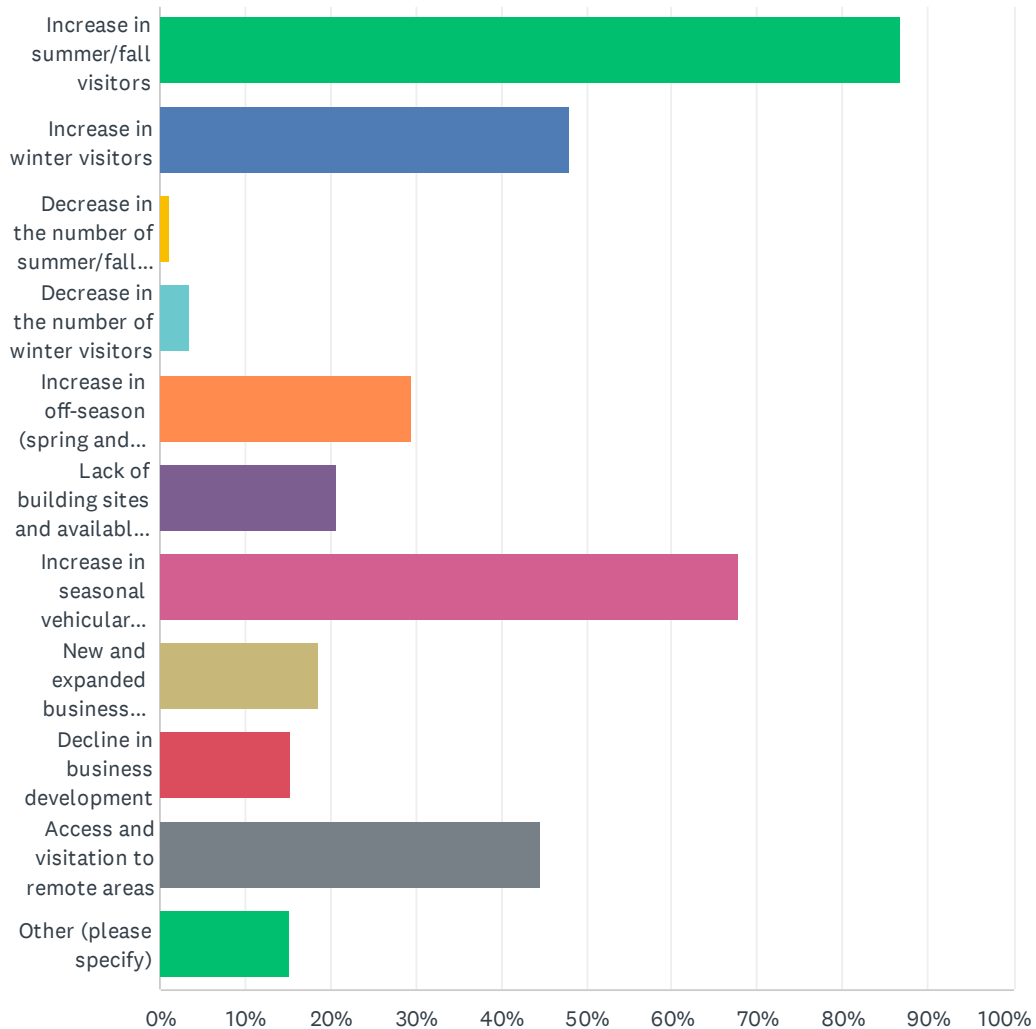
#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Calumet theater used to bring in great programs, not in the last 10 yrs.	9/25/2025 10:57 PM
2	Keweenaw county does a great job plowing our roads! Thank you	9/22/2025 12:05 AM
3	The county needs to develop dog park zones.	9/21/2025 1:42 PM
4	Very impressive historically. Why does the county continue to push change?	9/20/2025 2:24 PM
5	What public recreation facility? I'm not aware of any beyond some playgrounds, gazebos and bathrooms.	9/10/2025 10:18 PM
6	A good pair of snowshoes goes a long way	8/28/2025 2:57 PM
7	I LOVE the access to mountain bike trails, keep those going!	8/21/2025 11:51 AM
8	Bike and hike paths: Poor	8/19/2025 12:03 PM
9	No senior centers/offerings - very sad	8/19/2025 11:15 AM

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10	Water and electricity are really expensive, need starlink in Copper Harbor to have fast internet. Need better cell service for incidence response out on the trails.	8/18/2025 9:05 PM
11	more trail grooming needed	8/18/2025 8:26 PM
12	Speed on M-26 from Eagle River to Eagle Harbor should NOT be 55!	8/18/2025 6:40 PM
13	Most important to our family is more use/utilization of parks/open space, increased trail access and most importantly, an indoor athletic/fitness training facility.	8/18/2025 8:36 AM
14	Need a county transfer station and recycling facility	8/17/2025 9:07 PM
15	Mount Bohemia parking poor	8/16/2025 3:56 PM
16	Publicly available gathering spaces for small groups, free of charge?	8/16/2025 7:55 AM
17	Re: schools. Both my children graduated from CLK and in the ensuing years the quality of the school has declined markedly.	8/15/2025 6:37 PM
18	Systematic commitment to protect Lake Superior and celebrate its Native American traditions and past.	8/11/2025 10:03 AM
19	LacLaBelle needs a full time store like the General store in Copper Harbor	8/9/2025 5:58 PM
20	Limited cell phone service is a good thing! Not everyone needs to have access to everywhere in the world.	7/30/2025 7:48 AM

Q25 What, if any, changes have you seen in the last 10 years in the County? (mark all that apply)

Answered: 377 Skipped: 40



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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Increase in summer/fall visitors	86.74%	327
Increase in winter visitors	48.01%	181
Decrease in the number of summer/fall visitors	1.06%	4
Decrease in the number of winter visitors	3.45%	13
Increase in off-season (spring and late fall) visitors	29.44%	111
Lack of building sites and available property for new housing	20.69%	78
Increase in seasonal vehicular traffic	67.90%	256
New and expanded business development	18.57%	70
Decline in business development	15.38%	58
Access and visitation to remote areas	44.56%	168
Other (please specify)	15.12%	57
Total Respondents: 377		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Would like to see more restaurants	9/26/2025 1:19 PM
2	Less access to remote area by the conservancy	9/25/2025 10:57 PM
3	Too much influences by government funded organizations and big money activists restricted access to taxpayer funded land and water resources	9/25/2025 9:13 PM
4	Restaurants are crowded	9/25/2025 8:52 PM
5	Increase in plane, ATV and snowmobile traffic and noise	9/24/2025 1:43 PM
6	The off road vehicular traffic can be onerous as well as unenforceable	9/24/2025 9:25 AM
7	Lack of following rules and regulations by the board	9/22/2025 2:37 PM
8	Reduced access to many trails due to disrespectful tourist on private property.	9/21/2025 1:42 PM
9	More people whenever we are here- timing varies.	9/21/2025 12:47 PM
10	Increase in STRs with no accountability.	9/20/2025 2:24 PM
11	Huge increase in large, car size, racing type side by sides on trails I typically for wheel on. Concerns me about the risks of head on collisions.	9/20/2025 1:50 PM
12	Mismanaged, Over-logged Forests. Mismanaged, Unaccountable, Malfeasant, Nonfeasant, Misfeasant County Government "Representatives". Appointing and Hiring Unqualified / Untrained / Inexperienced / Unknowledgeable people to oversee and administrate the Highly Imperatively Critical Public Office of Zoning Administrator - to the detriment and demise of the Quality of Living in The Keweenaw. Metastatic Commercial Development in Wilderness areas. Roads and trails to formerly untouched, remote natural areas that should not have been altered from the natural state! Questionable, Unethical, Unlawful Acts (and lack of actions) by county government Agents - (so-called) "Representatives- of the Public Trust" that cares very little to nothing whatsoever about anyone's seriously vital concerns, critical views and unique or collective personal opinions - other than their own. Unethical dealings between supposed non-profit and for-profit corporations. County government consistently seeking, buying and committing to pay for "professional" outside / out-of-state / non-local "guidance". (Such as hiring non local / non-resident people and entities to draft Master Plans, etc.). ABSOLUTE ZERO ZONING ENFORCEMENT. RUBBER-STAMPED, unlawful, Baseless, Illegitimate Granting of Approval for Requests for a Variance of the Zoning Ordinance. Less and less county Government by and for the people, and more and more by a self-Empowered Oligarchy	9/14/2025 7:42 PM

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of Non-Representatives of the resident tax-paying property owners of Keweenaw County. Not allotted sufficient space to list all of the negative impacts altering and destroying the Look, Spirit and Feel and "Call of The Keweenaw "...

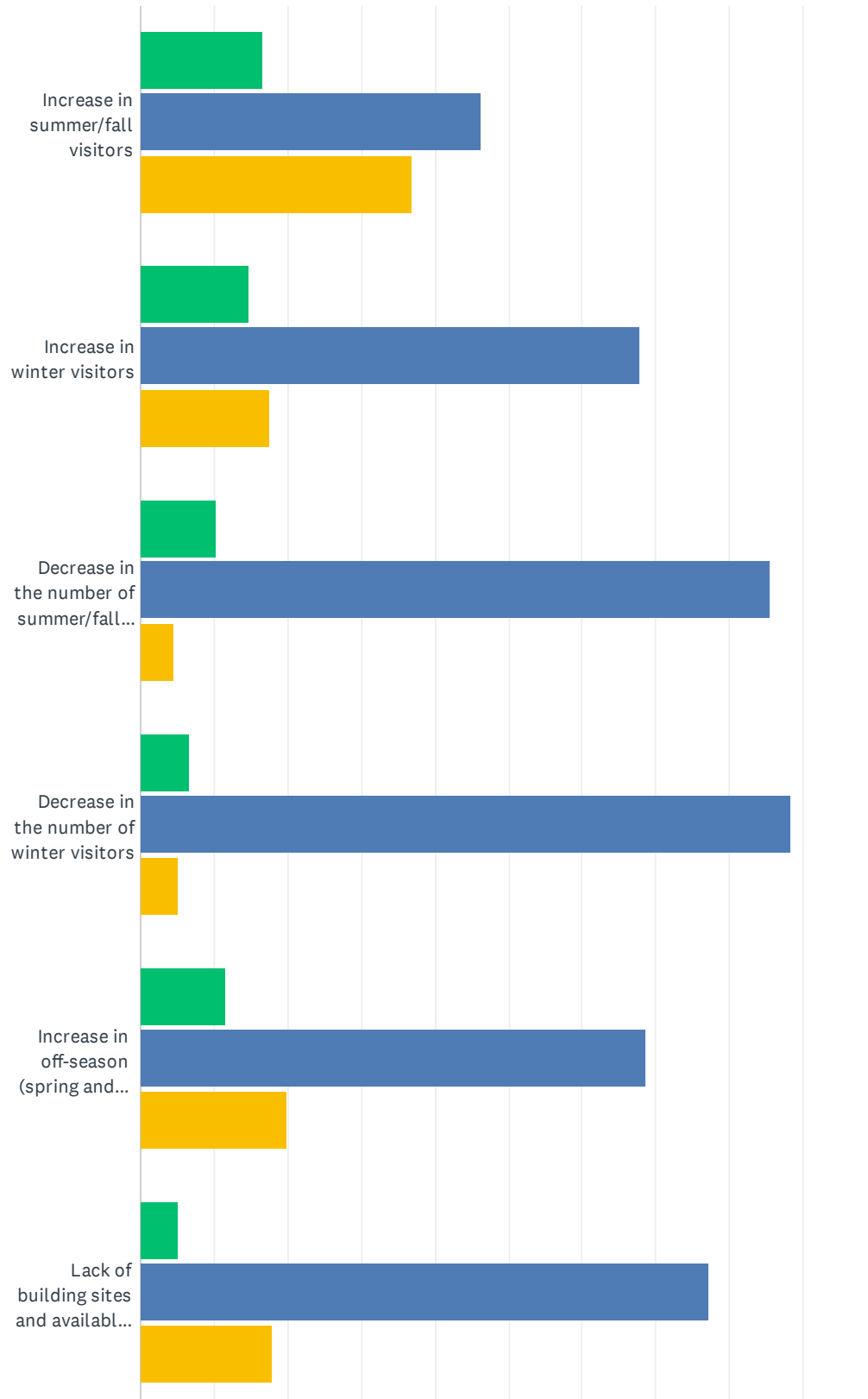
13	Increase in visitors and their associated changes to natural features (particularly around Copper Harbor and north)	9/14/2025 9:06 AM
14	increased need to clean up after visitors/vandalism	9/11/2025 10:54 AM
15	STRs buying large share of nice properties	9/10/2025 10:18 PM
16	land under conservancy control is being restricted/limited/and gated.	9/9/2025 1:03 PM
17	Lack of access to remote areas	9/9/2025 6:12 AM
18	People have decided they have a right to properties and use places like Cliff Drive or above Copper Harbor to help themselves to access leaving scars and garbage on the land with no thought to others or the owners	9/8/2025 1:15 PM
19	An increased public interest in preservation of our wilderness lands and waterways.	9/4/2025 1:23 PM
20	Decrease access to previous hiking trails	9/3/2025 12:35 PM
21	faster drivers and more dangerous road behavior!	9/3/2025 8:12 AM
22	Restaurants are overloaded all summer	8/28/2025 2:57 PM
23	Increase in fire smoke from Canada!	8/24/2025 4:44 PM
24	Land restricted by conservancyconservancy0	8/24/2025 10:47 AM
25	More people that don't want to go to the usual tourist destinations. Visitors want to go to the remote locations which in turn makes them NOT remote. Some places should be difficult to get to or can't get to at all.	8/21/2025 5:44 PM
26	Increased housing prices	8/20/2025 1:05 PM
27	sad politicization/divisions within population	8/19/2025 11:15 AM
28	Traffic with noisy machines has increased dramatically, adding centerline rumble strips to M26 was a big mistake and disturbs the peace.	8/19/2025 10:17 AM
29	Improvements to poor/uninhabited structures because of short term rentals or new people to the area.	8/18/2025 11:08 PM
30	decrease in day time winter trail grooming	8/18/2025 8:26 PM
31	people with saunas on wheels parking them at Bete Grise overnight! 4-5 saunas at a time when it says no overnight parking or camping. Visitors that don't follow the rules.	8/17/2025 9:57 PM
32	Businesses closing, being sold	8/16/2025 7:00 PM
33	ATV traffic on public roads are a problem	8/15/2025 6:31 PM
34	More complaints from from retired or near retired residents who already made their living in the county and now wish for less development and tourism after they no longer need to benefit. Many of which made their living in one or both these 2 manners.	8/15/2025 4:57 PM
35	Few loud new residents trying to control the county	8/15/2025 4:36 PM
36	Snowmobilers and 4x4's driving off trail, no respect for the wilderness	8/15/2025 11:21 AM
37	A whole lot more off road vehicles	8/15/2025 5:58 AM
38	Access to remote places has seriously degraded them	8/14/2025 6:06 PM
39	blight and decay of existing housing and building	8/14/2025 1:55 AM
40	Explosion of business development, trail creation, and "recreational opportunities" in the area. Far too much	8/13/2025 8:10 PM
41	Need to keep Highrock Bay as a moderately remote area.	8/13/2025 4:00 PM
42	Denied access to previous trails	8/13/2025 3:33 PM

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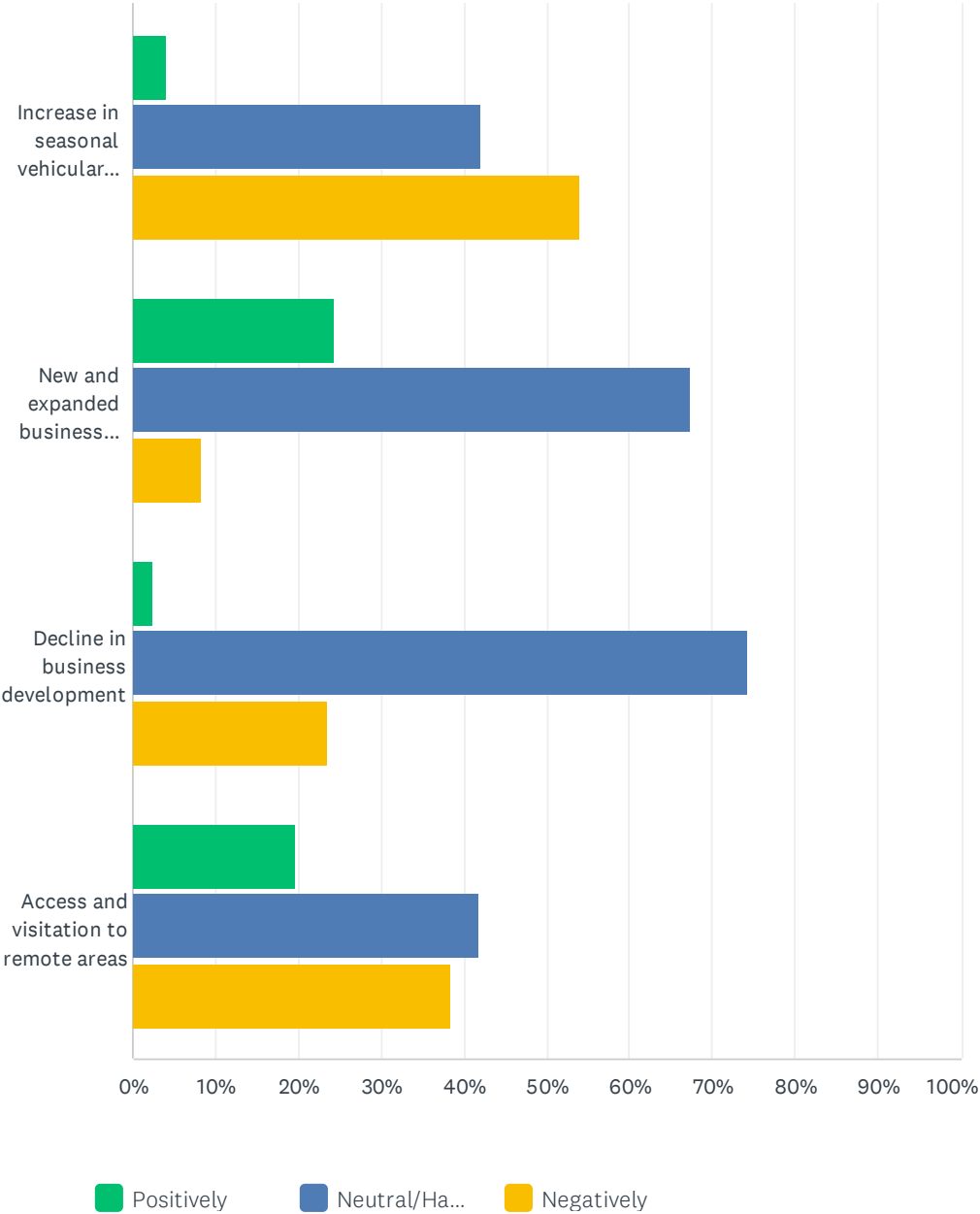
43	Noisy, lawbreaking short term renters.	8/12/2025 6:50 PM
44	Snowfall greatly impacts winter visitors.	8/12/2025 11:53 AM
45	Decrease access and visitation to remote areas	8/12/2025 8:37 AM
46	Can't say, only lived here 2 years	8/11/2025 8:56 PM
47	More access but apparent lack of coordination between access providers to deal with overuse, overcrowding, vandalism, etc.	8/11/2025 5:44 PM
48	Increase in blite, abandoned homes,burnt out homes.	8/11/2025 4:04 PM
49	Reduction in lakeshore access	8/11/2025 1:26 PM
50	Increase in non-seasonal vehicle traffic.	8/11/2025 12:07 PM
51	The visitors have become less respectful of our natural areas	8/11/2025 9:35 AM
52	Increased on visitors seeking natural sites reviewed online but not equipped to handle large numbers of visitors (i.e., BareBluff, Mouth of Montreal, Highrock Bay, Mt Baldy	8/9/2025 4:01 PM
53	more trespassing, hostile visitors when asked to stop trespassing, more pollution, many more short term rentals,etc	8/9/2025 3:34 PM
54	More blighted buildings and land	8/9/2025 11:58 AM
55	Rezoning from RR to RS is not the answer to Keweenaw Counties Cash Flow	8/4/2025 8:47 PM
56	Bare Bluff	7/30/2025 12:06 PM
57	It's okay to leave some areas harder to access. Again, not everyone needs to be everywhere.	7/30/2025 7:48 AM

Q26 Which of these changes, if any, have affected you? (mark all that apply)

Answered: 382 Skipped: 35



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	POSITIVELY	NEUTRAL/HASN'T AFFECTED ME	NEGATIVELY	TOTAL
Increase in summer/fall visitors	16.71% 61	46.30% 169	36.99% 135	365
Increase in winter visitors	14.69% 52	67.80% 240	17.51% 62	354
Decrease in the number of summer/fall visitors	10.18% 23	85.40% 193	4.42% 10	226
Decrease in the number of winter visitors	6.52% 15	88.26% 203	5.22% 12	230
Increase in off-season (spring and late fall) visitors	11.56% 34	68.71% 202	19.73% 58	294
Lack of building sites and available property for new housing	5.05% 15	77.10% 229	17.85% 53	297
Increase in seasonal vehicular traffic	4.08% 14	41.98% 144	53.94% 185	343
New and expanded business development	24.33% 73	67.33% 202	8.33% 25	300
Decline in business development	2.38% 6	74.21% 187	23.41% 59	252
Access and visitation to remote areas	19.69% 64	41.85% 136	38.46% 125	325

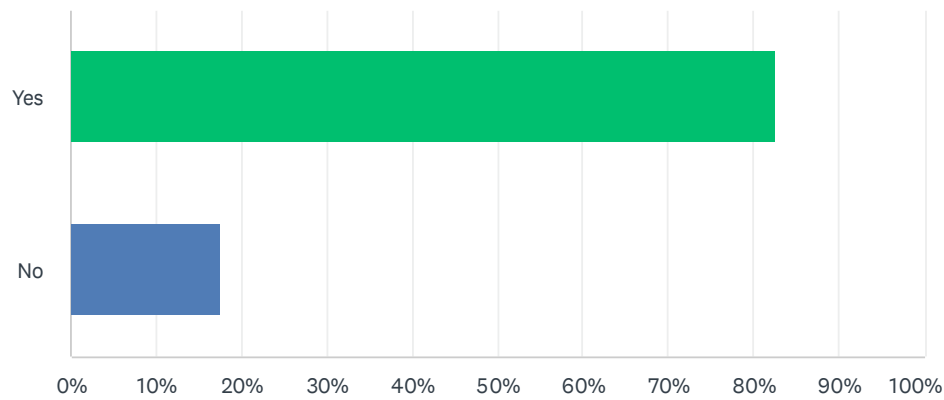
#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	We need Emergency First Responder services in the Keweenaw!	9/22/2025 12:05 AM
2	Pushes for milage because the county is not being fiscally responsible with all tourist revenues.	9/20/2025 2:24 PM
3	While increasing property values is good for me since i already have property, it makes it tough for service workers to have the same standard of living as in the past.	9/20/2025 1:50 PM
4	Mismanaged, Over-logged Forests. Mismanaged, Unaccountable, Malfeasant, Nonfeasant, Misfeasant County Government "Representatives". Appointing and Hiring Unqualified / Untrained / Inexperienced / Unknowledgeable people to oversee and administrate the Highly Imperatively Critical Public Office of Zoning Administrator - to the detriment and demise of the Quality of Living in The Keweenaw. Metastatic Commercial Development in Wilderness areas. Roads and trails to formerly untouched, remote natural areas that should not have been altered from the natural state! Questionable, Unethical, Unlawful Acts (and lack of actions) by county government Agents - (so-called) "Representatives- of the Public Trust" that cares very little to nothing whatsoever about anyone's seriously vital concerns, critical views and unique or collective personal opinions - other than their own. Unethical dealings between supposed non-profit and for-profit corporations. County government consistently seeking, buying and committing to pay for "professional" outside / out-of-state / non-local "guidance". (Such as hiring non local / non-resident people and entities to draft Master Plans, etc.). ABSOLUTE ZERO ZONING ENFORCEMENT. RUBBER-STAMPED, unlawful, Baseless, Illegitimate Granting of Approval for Requests for a Variance of the Zoning Ordinance. Less and less county Government by and for the people, and more and more by a self-Empowered Oligarchy of Non-Representatives of the resident tax-paying property owners of Keweenaw County. Not allotted sufficient space to list all of the negative impacts altering and destroying the Look, Spirit and Feel and "Call of The Keweenaw "...	9/14/2025 7:42 PM
5	Tourism is a mixed blessing, while good for local economy, it is hard to see the changes to the lands and also the inability for locals to afford owning homes/property in the county.	9/14/2025 9:06 AM
6	Negativity is the side by side and off road vehicles on bumblatown road!!	9/9/2025 3:48 PM
7	Conservation shutting down access	9/9/2025 6:12 AM

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8	Very disappointed in the Keweenaw hosting a dollar store. Its the first thing a person sees coming into Keweenaw Co.	9/8/2025 1:15 PM
9	Increase/to many airbb visitors in our neighborhood negative effect on my quality of life	9/6/2025 1:01 PM
10	You find people in remote places who don't know what to do	8/28/2025 2:57 PM
11	I am a strong advocate of rolling out the welcome mat to visitors so they too can experience and enjoy what we're so fortunate to live-in-every-day.	8/23/2025 2:55 PM
12	snowmobiles routinely run me over on snowshoe and ski trails	8/20/2025 2:44 PM
13	It's a shame the road to the smiths fishery trailhead is inaccessible.	8/20/2025 1:32 PM
14	Too many blocked off and beamed roads	8/20/2025 10:25 AM
15	Some tourists can be destructive to our natural areas.	8/20/2025 6:13 AM
16	Positively	8/18/2025 11:08 PM
17	limited daytime grooming	8/18/2025 8:26 PM
18	Increased visitors litter the beaches, roadways and drive too fast. Bear hunters make me want to stay away.	8/18/2025 6:40 PM
19	None	8/17/2025 5:27 PM
20	I wish Clark Mine Rd was open to full-sized vehicles. It seems to be a no-brainer to not funnel all the traffic to Mandan	8/17/2025 10:23 AM
21	Remote campers and bicyclists	8/16/2025 8:25 PM
22	Boondockers leaving still burning/smoldering fires, Litter,	8/16/2025 8:05 PM
23	Miss Bear Belly dining @ Lac La Belle. Not many options around there.	8/16/2025 3:45 PM
24	There were more businesses, more goods and services here in the 1970s, in the 1990s, in the 2000s. We are becoming a huge ghost town concerning actual residents and services. And by not fostering any economic growth our tax foundation is "blood out of a turnip." It falls entirely on residents. AND our school system, CLK, is funded primarily by people who do not live here; seasonal residents paying huge taxes.	8/15/2025 6:37 PM
25	I think there has to be a balance between keeping the Cuban, the unique existence that it possesses as a natural habitat and small town, rural location with the increasing curiosity and fascination with nature, which is creating the increase in tourism that we are seeing. I don't want to see huge businesses, billboards, lighted signs, dollar trees, etc. Anywhere other than out of sight, but near Mohawk and potentially Copper Harbor. Gay is a beautiful location that is significantly under developed. That would be a fabulous place to promote advancement.	8/15/2025 12:44 PM
26	Increased trespassing on marked private property.	8/15/2025 11:52 AM
27	Access to these places has degraded them	8/14/2025 6:06 PM
28	Noisy, lawbreaking short term renters.	8/12/2025 6:50 PM
29	To many conservancies	8/12/2025 8:37 AM
30	Too many bicyclists camping wherever they please leaving fire pits and trash. They impede vehicle and pedestrian traffic.	8/11/2025 7:57 PM
31	How many dollar generals do you need? Just makes the Keweenaw look trashy.	8/11/2025 12:07 PM
32	Lack of responsible Development and Community Communication within each Twp.	8/4/2025 8:47 PM
33	Bare Bluff & Mouth of Montreal	7/30/2025 12:06 PM

Q27 Are you aware of The Nature Conservancy’s 2022 acquisition of the forest known as the Keweenaw Heartlands?

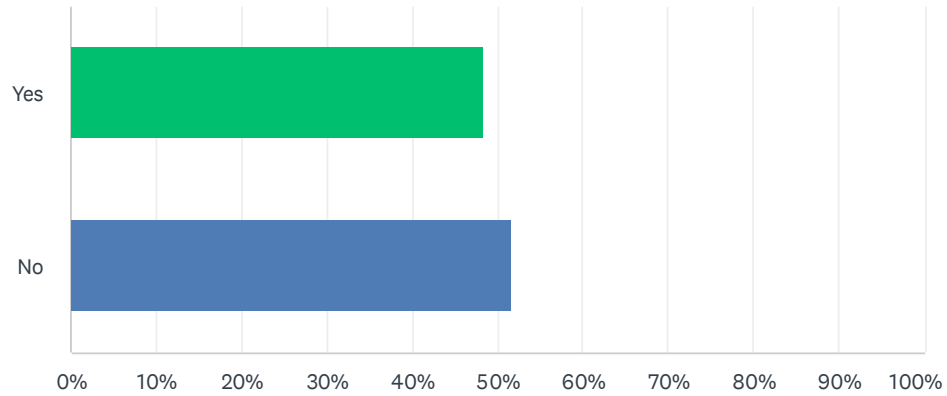
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	82.51%	335
No	17.49%	71
TOTAL		406

Q28 If yes, are you aware of the community's plans for the future of the Keweenaw Heartlands forest?

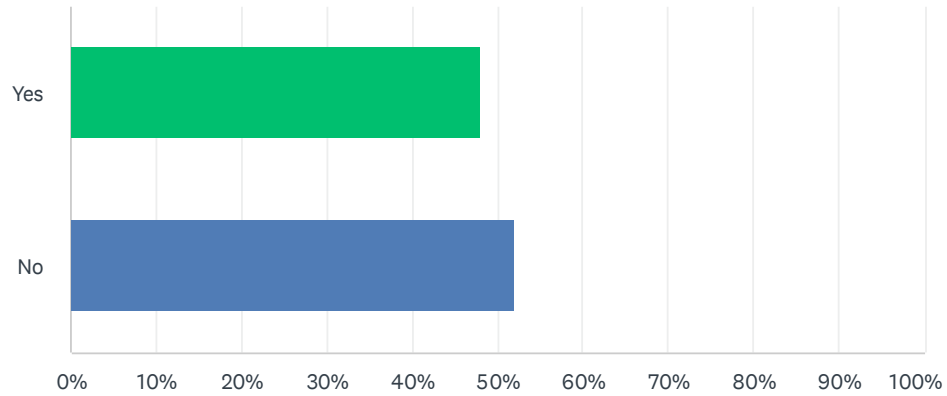
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	48.39%	180
No	51.61%	192
TOTAL		372

Q29 Do you know where to find up-to-date information about the Keweenaw Heartlands forest?

Answered: 403 Skipped: 14



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	47.89%	193
No	52.11%	210
TOTAL		403

Q30 Feel free to share any comments/suggestions with us

Answered: 131 Skipped: 286

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Seems special special interest groups communicate with each other but the public is on the outside.	9/25/2025 10:57 PM
2	Please please please regulate air bnbs. They throw garbage in Lake Superior. They Cram a dozen people per house and have no regard for our property, privacy, or peace. Owners living in other states should be a Nono. And a per person bed fee? And limit how many in a residential area. No more!!!	9/25/2025 10:42 PM
3	Ensure that the acquired properties are open to the public for licensed hunters and fisherman	9/25/2025 9:13 PM
4	Improve cell service for emergency use	9/25/2025 8:52 PM
5	Preserve the natural beauty and tranquility of the Keweenaw. Balance development with preservation of open lands and current community character profiles. Increase county tax revenue to offer necessary services (police, fire, etc.) by adding a short term rental tourism tax. Do not limit STRs, tax them.	9/24/2025 9:40 PM
6	Please keep the area natural. Limit noise from planes, ATVs, and Snowmobiles. Limit hours of operation so they are not operating all night. Planes have increased that fly over our residence several times a day and are a noisy disturbance for several minutes each time. Please require noise suppression like in Florida.	9/24/2025 1:43 PM
7	It is clear that low year-long populations make for low participation in civic engagement. Rules requiring year-long residence for board membership etc should be amended to include seasonal residents.	9/24/2025 9:25 AM
8	Develop a bike trail along M-26 from Eagle River to Copper Harbor Connect the fiber optic line that runs from Mohawk along US-41 that goes down the Eagle harbor Short Cut Road and turns right on M-26 that goes east to the AT&T switching station halfway to Copper Harbor. connect that line all the way to Copper Harbor and also connect the fiber line that passes the Phoenix Store down M-26 to connect it to the switching station adjacent to the old Sheriff's garage on Pine St. to the Courthouse and the Sheriff's office. Also make it available to the residents of Eagle River, Eagle Harbor and Copper Harbor. there are ways to mount devices on telephone poles to relay the fiber signals in a wireless manner to the rest of the county. If that was done our county would boom!	9/23/2025 9:49 AM
9	Address increase in noise caused by plane, ATV, and snowmobile traffic. Require noise suppression systems and limit how loud can play radios on ATVs.	9/22/2025 12:42 PM
10	The Keweenaw is a special place. I have seen many changes in the past 50 years. Some good, some bad. We need to continue to protect our land and water while creating sustainable jobs and communities.	9/22/2025 12:05 AM
11	We feel the greatest challenge is the maintenance of the natural wilderness areas that are so easily accessible with the need for full time residents to be able to have employment and quality of life. Thank you for asking for input.	9/21/2025 7:44 PM
12	Establish dog parks and family friendly trails.	9/21/2025 1:42 PM
13	We are so blessed to have access to such pristine resources. The struggle is always the balance. Even though a good amount of our younger people initially leave I believe many are returning to raise families, retire early and enjoy the huge benefits of a less chaotic lifestyle. We may be a little behind in the youth to elder ratio, but the birthrate in America is 1.47-not enough to replace ourselves- so we have to get creative to continue on and thrive as a culture.	9/21/2025 12:47 PM
14	Keweenaw County needs to investigate just what conflict of interest means. Further, the county is pushing to lower the average age of the residents and to recruit younger people who would be employed here as well. Why would you not consider the cost of living first? Why would the county not consider actively recruiting from the local colleges? When will the county	9/20/2025 2:24 PM

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take responsibility for a problem before it happens? There is a history here that apparently is being ignored - listening to the taxpayers would be a start. Further, the county boards should consider being comprised of the actual diversity of people in their communities. Exclusive governance is not conducive to encouraging full-time residency. Odd to be territorial and yet want to transform the very nature of what is so very unique to everyone here in Grant Township; whether visiting, living seasonally and paying more taxes, or full-time and local. I would be curious as well as most as to how many residents full-time actually work in Grant Township, let alone Keweenaw County.

15	The keweenaw is a very special place because of the freedom to access a beautiful landscape. There are few places in the world you can four-wheel from your residence to a mountain peak, then explore remote streams by hiking cross country and then take you atv to a restaurant for dinner and then go mountain biking. The accessibility of private land the mining and then timber companies owned was key to this.	9/20/2025 1:50 PM
16	We don't need affordable housing for low income non residents in our county	9/20/2025 1:34 PM
17	Preserving public access is vital as the opportunity would slip away and no options in the future!	9/20/2025 10:31 AM
18	Gonna tell me where to find information about Keewenaw Heartlands???	9/15/2025 6:14 PM
19	Thank You to all of you in Keweenaw County whom make Keweenaw a Great Place to Live, Visit, and Enjoy! Short Term Rentals are vastly increasing in popularity nationwide. Some of these Short Term Rentals are well documented and abiding to guidelines of their community. Other Short Term Rentals are not documented and operating without approval or permission. Short Term Rentals can drastically change the atmosphere of a community and neighborly relations. Many Short Term Renters are good law abiding people. Other Short Term Renters simply Do Not Care about creating Loud Noises and Disturbances into the Late Night as they Do Not Own the Property or have any plans to live on the property.. Another Concern is Recreational Vehicles (both ATV and Snowmobiles).. All Rec Vehicles Need to Have Designated and Well Documented Streets that they can operated and travel upon in each Community.. Also these Designated Streets Need to have published Speed Limits of very slow speeds, such as 5 mph for the safety of all, and to limit noise... Our Family Cabin is located on Pine Street in Eagle Harbor, Mi.. We see a large amount of ATV and Snowmobile Traffic on Pine Street in Eagle Harbor.. Much of this Recreational Vehicle Traffic is Loud and Traveling at Unsafe Speeds for any Pedestrians to share the roadway.. We personally feel the Recreational Vehicle Traffic coming from Public Trail System should enter the Harbor using a route alongside the Eagle Harbor Cutoff Roadway from the New E.H. Fire station, avoiding much of the populated streets and roadway.. We also enjoy Recreation Vehicles as well, but would at least like to see speeds lowered and concern for all Safety... In regards to the Keweenaw Heartlands Forest. Keweenaw County should strongly consider fair and equal representation with a Voted Upon Representative from "Each Township"... Thank you So Much! John & Mary Otradovec 920-255-2773	9/14/2025 10:20 PM
20	This extremely short-sighted, off-base (bordering pointless) survey fails to address far too many critically relative issues.	9/14/2025 7:42 PM
21	i felt this is a waste. i participate in zoning and commissioner meetings. You ask for input and ignore local residents, usually deferring to outside interests who wish to change the character. Zoning decisions has huge conflicts of interest. So i was hesitant to participate as decision making process just ignores what you write up in the Master Plan	9/11/2025 11:18 AM
22	I'm concerned about the competence of county government, their ability to manage affairs and what they will do with the hartlands. There needs to be more revenue generation for hte county without increasing taxes on locals or selling out to pot shops or other unbecoming businesses.	9/10/2025 10:18 PM
23	Stop Gina and John from buying up property and closing it to public use.	9/10/2025 9:50 PM
24	Careful planning for Keweenaw Heartlands to provide for needed support facilities but without opening the wild/remote areas to the detriment of why people come to Keweenaw County. Everything does not need a trail on it now, save some space for new experiences in the future.	9/10/2025 1:15 PM
25	Please keep the noisy ORV off our roads. They are more reckless and disturbing. Connect the trails for ORV to access gratiot river road and the park on Lake Superior without going on bumblatown road ... please. Thank you for listening!!	9/9/2025 3:48 PM
26	Work to turn TNC land over to State of Michigan. Local governance plan will not work in the	9/9/2025 1:03 PM

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	long-run.	
27	We need reduced speed limits along the lakeshore where there are residential homes! Its getting extremely dangerous to walk on the road!	9/9/2025 11:52 AM
28	There are many places not in the Keweenaw Heartland's that need to be preserved equally. Don't write off the rest of the county. Right now we have terrible Noise pollution increasing. Three sea planes fly over almost daily, they fly over some of the best natural areas in the county, especially rare bird pathways. They fly over the Ahmeek STP, the Ahmeek marsh and then along the preserved large KNA/Wildlife area along 5 mile point road, before they turn out to Isle Royale. This spring I watched as planes flew over eagles and large swans in the same flight path over the lake. Between the roar of ATVs and Snow mobiles and now the 3 sea planes going over and back on the same pathways sometimes 3 times a day (and impacting folks who chose to live in the Keweenaw because it was quiet) we need to decide how much access we give or there will be no places left that provide natural quiet space, needed more today than ever. This reflects on Question 23, and having land access to places without motorized anything. That is a positive for us. Once you build and take out natural resources you can't get it back.	9/8/2025 1:15 PM
29	We have concerns about some of the decisions being made by the current zoning review board.	9/7/2025 10:19 AM
30	Keweenaw County needs to be wary of too much development. People come to the county and live in the county for its remoteness and unspoiled beauty. it is on its way to being over touristed. The only people who gain an advantage are the merchants, and they are in the minority.	9/7/2025 7:47 AM
31	Please, please stricter regulations on short-term rentals. Neighborhoods should be neighbors. Whether or not if it is residential lakeshore or residential neighborhoods. Short term rentals should be taxed on a commercial bases because they are commercial enterprises. Need for stricter regulation on where a rental can be located ie. regulate type of access to, proximity to other homes, neighbor input on permits, etc.	9/6/2025 1:01 PM
32	It is obvious that people love to visit Keweenaw County. It is imperative that we control our sense of place. I don't understand why you have Waste Management come into our county; they do no answer their phone, and disrespect your residents. Also, knowing that our county is an economically depressed area, why would you not keep our water bill payments local instead of our having to pay a \$7 additional fee.	9/6/2025 12:31 PM
33	We also need preservation of the water surrounding Keweenaw. I would like to see a National Marine Sanctuary established.	9/4/2025 1:23 PM
34	Thank you for allowing us to participate in this survey regarding the new master plan.	9/1/2025 5:16 PM
35	I know it is difficult to expand the tax base. But prime the pump. Help businesses access capital so they can invest in the community.	8/30/2025 9:07 PM
36	Get the state to buy as much of the heartlands as possible	8/29/2025 6:54 PM
37	I love the Keweenaw and so do my children and grandchildren. Thanks for asking!	8/28/2025 5:24 PM
38	Close the Houghton bridge.	8/28/2025 2:57 PM
39	I rated emergency services as fair or poor because there aren't enough police and medical personnel. Electricity is poor because they sold the company to a foreign entity that doesn't care about us. We pay more than anywhere in the country for electricity. You'll never attract people/business as long as that's the case.	8/28/2025 9:38 AM
40	Achieving an optimal balance between economics and the environment is key for the residents' quality of life while maintaining the tax base, essential services, employment opportunities and natural resource sustainability. With the County's median age of 56.7 years old, attracting and retaining younger generations (Millennials and Gen Z in particular) will be essential to maintain the County's/Township's essential services (fire fighters, EMTs/1st Responders, water departments, boards, committees and community volunteers). The recreational resources do and will attract these generations, though the barrier to entry is high due to high property values and a lack of affordable housing opportunities...while seasonal workforce housing is a component, there is an equal if not great need for mixed use (singles, couples, family) year-round housing. Whether through private, public or cooperative investments, this is a real need	8/27/2025 1:22 PM

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that often flies under the radar and my hope is more attention will be brought to this issue as part of the Master Plan update.

41	the more money and traffic you try to make off tourism the less appeal it has. People live and come here to get away from the same.	8/26/2025 4:50 PM
42	More rustic campground options/lakefront access points	8/25/2025 9:35 PM
43	Need cell towers	8/25/2025 6:23 PM
44	I would like to invite your beautiful county — and the rest of the UP — to become part of the state of Wisconsin. We'd be honored if you would join us.	8/24/2025 11:09 PM
45	The county has lost revenue with TNC with property tax along with leasing it to others. It's a non-profit. Lack of people and resources for the influx of vacationers getting injured and killed. What's the counties emergency rescue plan for trails, water falls, open water? Opening up yourself for lawsuits with lack of capable abled bodies, equipment and training. Closest is 40 miles away...maybe that should be a priority before allowing anymore trails, water recreation, etc...putting the cart before the horse...better up your liability insurance, you're not dealing with locals anymore	8/24/2025 3:53 PM
46	We need to upgrade our technology infrastructure so Keweenaw is on par with the rest of the world (cell, internet, etc). Short term rentals are becoming very problematic. If someone decides to rent their property then it becomes a business and it should be governed by the county as such. Better cycling infrastructure. And thank you.	8/24/2025 1:12 PM
47	As a frequent vacationer, we enjoyed the freedom of visiting different places within our home state that allowed for our family to stay in one place all together in a family friendly setting and getting the full experience. By enforcing more regulations, I feel would hinder people to continue to do so and would ultimately hurt the state as a whole. There is so much of Michigan that people don't take the opportunity to see	8/22/2025 11:24 AM
48	Plans for the Keweenaw Heartlands are still underway. There are many voices involved and I'm uncertain how much compromise there will be. It should be kept wild, difficult to access and remote. That was the whole point of the land acquisition wasn't it?	8/21/2025 5:44 PM
49	It's a bit of a catch 22. I liked it when there were less people, but you need people to support the new/existing businesses. And to fund restoration/revitalization projects. A tricky balance for sure. Solitude in nature is harder to find if you don't own a little slice of it.	8/21/2025 12:20 PM
50	I cannot stress how much the mountain bike trails affect our love for the Keweenaw. It makes it such a unique and special place to come and led us to build a small cabin to enjoy them even more. It would be great to see them expanded and loved for years to come! We also love the access and use of the water.	8/21/2025 11:51 AM
51	Regarding short term rentals regulations, please consider when making decisions that Keweenaw County has a history of property owners who have primary residence in Calumet/Hancock/Houghton etc, and have owned a "camp" up north for generations. These camps have been a longstanding part of the local community. A local property owner having the opportunity to rent out their camp or cabin for part of tourist season should not be viewed solely as a negative thing. Rather it is helping to meet the demand for tourism accommodations while also allowing family owned properties to remain in the family for future generations.	8/20/2025 11:03 PM
52	I purposely have traveled to Keweenaw County from Marquette County for almost 40 years. Why? The beauty. The ruggedness. The lack of people. The lack of cellular coverage. It is an escape and I hate that it has been discovered by so many from around the globe. Worse yet are those who have purchased using finances earned elsewhere and shoved out the people of the UP who have taken low paying jobs to stay here and will never have a chance to own a slice of our beauty.	8/20/2025 8:41 PM
53	We should be focusing on Keweenaw county residents and how to make life easier/affordable. Too much is focused on tourism and rentals for them and accommodations for tourists.	8/20/2025 10:15 AM
54	Let's take care of what we have. But let's not turn into Traverse City or the like. No big city zoning. Let's use common sense and courtesy. And while public access is good - let's remember that keeping things rustic has immense value also. Not every road needs to be smooth and not every trail has to be widened. Sometimes leaving things as is, is better than trying to fix it.	8/20/2025 12:42 AM

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55	Don't leave the property owners holding the finding bag if developments fail. Developers need to pay for infrastructure improvements. Set up as special districts and hold those owners responsible for infrastructure improvements	8/19/2025 11:12 PM
56	The County needs a stronger zoning code to avoid any more businesses like Neuvokas coming in and ruining the beauty of our area.	8/19/2025 6:05 PM
57	Having a new government body to manage the Heartlands is a mistake. There are not enough people to man the current local government positions. It would be better to have the county or townships mange them; better yet if government was not involved.	8/19/2025 12:03 PM
58	Please plan to protect our Keweenaw -physically as well as its history and heritage. LISTEN to your residents, respect all other board commissioners/members, don't allow individuals to pursue their own agendas.	8/19/2025 11:15 AM
59	Thank you for taking the time to produce this survey. Tourism is the main economic driver and I support continued recreation development opportunities and county officials allowing continued resort development. Keweenaw County is blessed with very little light pollution. The county should consider doing a dark sky proclamation each year to recognize the importance of the night sky. (The state of Michigan has made this proclamation the last few years). This would help capitalize on the astro-tourism market which is great lure for the offseason. https://www.michigan.gov/whitmer/news/proclamations/2025/04/21/april-21-28-2025-dark-sky-week	8/19/2025 8:39 AM
60	Get rid of the orange bags - wasteful...just give taxpayers a code to access transfer bin. Or better yet - I'd pay more for curbside garbage pick up.	8/19/2025 8:34 AM
61	Eagerly awaiting completion of the Keweenaw Point Trail to Montreal Falls and along the Montreal River	8/18/2025 9:05 PM
62	the county needs to be more involved in the KTS, rather than let the dictatorship boil over with no county coversite	8/18/2025 8:26 PM
63	Need more economic development to increase younger people to move here. Need more and better speciality healthcare which is impacted by first point. Need bike paths along M26 and US41. Desire more public access to trails. KORC does an outstanding job with trails.	8/18/2025 3:10 PM
64	I think the state of Michigan needs to encourage daily fees on rentals to pay for village services such as police, fire, roads, etc. In my travels such daily fees are common on all hotels, motels, Airbnb to offset the vacationers demands on the community. Vacationers cause a demand and should be charged a county wide fee to stay overnight.	8/18/2025 11:24 AM
65	Slow people down at Jacobs Falls. Give warning of people crossing road there.	8/18/2025 11:21 AM
66	Continue to address blight. Continue the progress to increase usage of parks/open spaces. And most importantly to us, please consider how to fund/finance a new multi-sport indoor athletic training facility.	8/18/2025 8:36 AM
67	I believe for the sake of preserving our way of life in the Keweenaw, we need up to date zoning to control the changes that are happening very quickly, but I have no idea who would pay the cost of having a zoning administrator or the development of current zoning. Zoning is not a popular issue but some limited current zoning could be helpful to the people who live in Keweenaw County.	8/17/2025 9:57 PM
68	1) A county transfer station and recycling facility would help residents and would help keep the county clean. 2) High speed internet is a necessary part of infrastructure for county residents and businesses.	8/17/2025 9:07 PM
69	Thank you for starting a very Important Conversation!	8/17/2025 5:27 PM
70	I'm torn on the conservancy topic. I like seeing land protected from being bought up privately. I do not like seeing land swaths that block atv/hunting/fishing use. This is a part of local culture that has been negatively impacted by the conservancies.	8/17/2025 11:23 AM
71	Used to be there was more dispersed or wild camping... it's a shame that everything has to either be paved or closed off...	8/17/2025 10:23 AM
72	Thank you for developing this plan. The County must plan for the future, changes must come to support our growing needs, aging population, and growing tourism industry. For many it is hard to see change but it will always come. Planning for it is the sensible approach.	8/17/2025 8:20 AM

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73	Charge bicycles a road tax. Or a highway permit fee/sticker. People visit for the remoteness ... don't lose it.	8/16/2025 8:25 PM
74	Leave the Keweenaw as it is. Any development of any kind (including biking and hiking trails) brings more people to the area which hurts the locals. We need less tourism and less people moving to the area. We grew up in this area and had it as a great place to explore. We are now losing that to what it's becoming.	8/16/2025 8:08 PM
75	Please preserve the "vastness" of our Keweenaw. No billboards~ is wonderful. Please don't "pave our paradise". More isn't always better. Keep the fresh air in our pristine peninsula. Don't lose sight of why the Keweenaw is beloved.	8/16/2025 8:05 PM
76	People have been living up here for decades. Let's not let people from out of town dictate what our beautiful area should be like. Let's preserve our space and ensure that our future generations are able to call this place home.	8/16/2025 8:02 PM
77	Access to cabins in Bete Grise is hindered in winter by the ski hill parking. Someone is going to get hit. Parking over at the DNR boat ramp. If they don't need a park sticker in the winter I don't need one to launch my boat. The ski hill can't use the ramp area for their business.	8/16/2025 3:56 PM
78	It seems there needs to be some clearly stated goals and actions for each of them: nature preservation, use of natural areas, housing, business development goals (recreation businesses?) Is this stated anywhere in a way that could be applied to this task?	8/16/2025 3:45 PM
79	Limit conservancy efforts to totally lock down lands in the county. Pretty soon nobody will come up because of all the road and trail closed	8/16/2025 10:32 AM
80	Please more frequent sharing by mail.	8/16/2025 7:55 AM
81	Taxes have more than doubled for me, services are declining, tourists are swarming, infrastructure is declining and what little there is is volunteer. What's going happen when there's a 10 bike lineup on a CH trail during a bike fest? Where will the first responders and medical aid come from? We're saying come, come, come and we have no infrastructure to support it.	8/15/2025 6:37 PM
82	We used to visit High Rock Bay and other remote areas but stay away due to traffic volume.	8/15/2025 6:31 PM
83	Again, there's a great need for a recycling center/transfer station in Keweenaw county.	8/15/2025 4:04 PM
84	The county needs development. Both housing and businesses. We need to expand the tax base and get rid of the ridiculous zoning we currently have in place.	8/15/2025 3:03 PM
85	As a Medical First Responder the access to remote areas by those not properly prepared or realistically able to be in these areas is very concerning. Call volume has increased significantly due to this issue.	8/15/2025 2:26 PM
86	Houghton's downtown has improved greatly aesthetically, while maintaining the character and history of the buildings. Why isn't Hancock downtown doing the same? It looks shabby, dull, and uninviting.	8/15/2025 2:00 PM
87	The UP with its remoteness is an experience most people seek. If you want those seekers to become more part of the overall community expansion of building possibilities like electricity, lines, and building duplexes on the outside of town would accomplish, bringing more people and funds to the area year-round. I notice over the decades, not a lot of business and residential-growth occurred. We were there a month ago, and it was alarming how few people were on the beach over the duration of our stay. That suggests a shift in the wrong direction for the county.	8/15/2025 12:49 PM
88	Thank you for all that you do! We recognize that it is not an easy task to manage the opinions of the nearly 3000 residence plus the part-time residents in this area! It's easy to get bogged down with the little stuff. Hopefully you can avoid the little stuff :-)	8/15/2025 12:44 PM
89	The explosion of tourism is a terrible thing for the Keweenaw. Garbage, crowding, destruction of nature, rampant trespassing.	8/15/2025 11:52 AM
90	We need to stop allowing people or companies to build houses that sit empty because the rent is set too high. Full time residents need to have first dibs on the chance of being able to buy land. Full time residents also need to be able to buy land at a discounted price from what part time residents are offered.	8/15/2025 11:52 AM

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91	Keweenaw is at a crossroads, there is a chance to make this one of the best places to visit in the world. Compromise and collaboration are the key, we all have rights to public land but there must be rules, boundaries on use, and respect for other.	8/15/2025 11:21 AM
92	With all the increased summer traffic something needs to be done about the speed of vehicles on M26 when the vehicles come in to town. People drive way too fast as they enter and go through the towns. Temporary speed bumps, radar signage. Something to slow people down	8/15/2025 8:44 AM
93	I hate the loud All Terrain Vehicles. The drivers are inconsiderate to pedestrians and they should have to have mufflers, too loud!	8/15/2025 8:23 AM
94	Survey should not be anonymous. It would be good to know which responses are actually Keweenaw County residents. Ken Johnson: Seder Bay	8/15/2025 7:01 AM
95	more robust mobile communication infrastructure, minimally along major roadways would be an improvement. Far to many areas are little or poor mobile coverage	8/14/2025 1:55 AM
96	I'm an avid hiker. I'd love to see a hiking and backpacking loop with a couple of campgrounds similar to Fife Lake, Mansitee River, and Jordan River Valley hiking loops. These bring business to "trail towns "	8/13/2025 4:45 PM
97	Please don't treat Keweenaw like more urban areas. Traverse City zoning rules should never have been applied to Keweenaw. We need 75 pages of rules, not 300. Also don't over regulate Airbnbs. Let people rent their properties within limits. I'm not sure if it's legal but maybe consider limiting how many Airbnbs a single entity can own.	8/13/2025 4:37 PM
98	We need a better trash removal service. We need renewable energy source and lower energy bills. We need to do away with housing taxes on home owners.	8/13/2025 4:05 PM
99	It's getting worrisome that beautiful areas are being bought up and closed off to the public. Also they claim to be conservancies so there are little to no taxes collected for these properties in a struggling economy yet they reap the benefits of the land and the county services. It seems that some are calling themselves a conservancy to avoid the monetary responsibilities yet not allowing public access to prime land.	8/13/2025 3:00 PM
100	Focus on keeping existing access reasonably in the highlands forests. Consider iron gate road as a mid county, low maintenance county seasonal rd.	8/13/2025 9:49 AM
101	Part of what makes the Keweenaw great is it's remoteness and wilderness. I do not support any measures to increase housing, population, or industry. There are many old trashy buildings that need removal or upkeep. The road maintenance in winter is excellent. The cost of utilities is high, understandably but relief in some way would be helpful.	8/13/2025 4:45 AM
102	Thanks for designing this survey and asking people for their opinions.	8/13/2025 1:32 AM
103	If there is focus on preserving areas and lands for the locals who reside here year round, I think any moves forward are positives. I do hope agricultural zoning laws for allouez township remain in effect along with other areas.	8/12/2025 6:09 PM
104	Need to retain/maintain public motorized access (ORV) access to remote areas for hunting, fishing, and hiking.	8/12/2025 9:44 AM
105	Try to keep "organizational" agency's out of the Keweenaw! These people have their own agenda.	8/12/2025 9:32 AM
106	My biggest concern is that Keweenaw County has managed to have a non-political pragmatic approach for decades and recently it feels like a minority activist contingent is driving change that is selfish for them and not for the benefit of seasonal cabin/camp owners like myself. I've owned here for 30 years and have come here all my life and it feels like the "Oregon" type crowd is trying to change this awesome county.	8/12/2025 9:28 AM
107	Charging fees for inspections of short-term rentals would be something that will hurt homeowners who are trying to keep their homes. Taxes are already high, and it would cause gentrification. I am a local, who would like to keep their homes Keweenaw an affordable place to live. I love my camp, and would hate to lose it. It's already difficult to afford it. More restrictions and fees would make it so that only people from other places could own property.	8/12/2025 7:43 AM
108	Short-term rentals and seasonal-resident homes have driven up the cost of living in the county. With "conservancy" groups buying up all other land before anyone else has a chance	8/12/2025 5:38 AM

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(Songbird, MNA, etc), I'm afraid the county will not be a spot where my family will be able to afford in the future.

109	Brockway Mountain Road is in need of repaving.	8/11/2025 8:56 PM
110	Keep the keweenaw beautiful and natural , limit the wolves and enjoy nature	8/11/2025 8:24 PM
111	Quit catering to people who come in and build their big homes destroying views and endangered species, and then telling those who've lived here their whole lives what they can and can't do with their own property.	8/11/2025 7:57 PM
112	We are at a critical junction in the management of our natural and recreational resources - the very things that make Keweenaw County a wonderful place to live and visit. Increased access to these resources is good, but little or no apparent coordination of management of access and almost non-existent protection of our resources from abuse are the main drivers of the coming disaster. We seem to have just thrown open the doors to the county without studying, planning and implementing realistic methods of dealing with the increased visitation and development. If we don't protect our beautiful county, the overuse and abuse will destroy us. Do we want to end up like Yellowstone, Yosemite and other places that are being loved to death? I truly hope not.	8/11/2025 5:44 PM
113	Keweenaw County benefits hugely from its open spaces and keeping them undeveloped so that tourists and locals alike can continue to enjoy them should be a top priority. We need the revenue outdoor tourism brings. And everyone who lives here does not want to see them sold to developers and out of towners.	8/11/2025 5:08 PM
114	I would like to see growth in Lac La Belle including business, indoor activities, and community events.	8/11/2025 4:23 PM
115	Increase nonresident taxes, especially housing used for profit. Ensure wildlife has adequate room. Keep lakeshore undeveloped as much as possible.	8/11/2025 1:26 PM
116	Need to quit bringing in businesses that make the keweenaw look trashy (dollar general's and such). Find a nice business or businesses to compete with Walmart (Walmart in Houghton just is looking so junky). Bring in businesses that will move into empty business sites instead of new builds. Same goes for housing. Limit Airbnb's so it frees up housing for actual people who want to live in the area instead of new builds. Have existing business just do basic outdoor maintenance to make them look appealing. Just so it looks like they care though they don't. Drive through all the local town starting with Copper Harbor through Chassell and count how many businesses are gone along with so many historic buildings stand empty that needs new life. While you do that for the businesses include the empty homes. Until you fix what exists you shouldn't keep adding. Quality is much better than quantity. Nature is the main reason people come so if you keep destroying nature why even visit the keweenaw. The keweenaw has what no amusement park can give, which is true family quality time or time alone to recharge from all the chaos of the busy urban areas.	8/11/2025 12:07 PM
117	Thanks for the poll.	8/11/2025 11:37 AM
118	Aggressively Align our commitment to maintaining the sacred and pristine nature of our county with our local, regional and national politics by supporting candidates who believe in democracy, human made climate change, and social justice.	8/11/2025 10:03 AM
119	Surveys should be fewer questions. Have one survey general and then hone into details with a second targeted survey. People get too frustrated going through 30 questions with many potential answers. Ask for assistance from someone with experience, maybe MTU. Good surveys are very hard to design! Thank you for asking and offering a survey. Keep the dialogue going!	8/11/2025 9:35 AM
120	The county really made a mistake selling the Keweenaw Mountain Lodge to that idiot.	8/11/2025 12:01 AM
121	Gina Nichols go home!	8/10/2025 1:13 PM
122	I wish we could have the Keweenaw back like when I was a young man growing up but I know times change. We have so many transplants moving and buying property and they want to change everything!!some say this is progress but I feel it's a step in the wrong direction!	8/10/2025 12:07 PM
123	I would love to see bike trails...or at least shoulders on the roads...especially between Gay and Mohawk, Gay and Lake Linden, and Gay and LacLaBelle. I'm nervous about driving in these roads due to the number of bikers. I would like to ride myself, but too nervous to ride without shoulders or bike paths.	8/9/2025 8:11 PM

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124	Keep up the good work.	8/9/2025 7:00 PM
125	Infrastructure to handle visitors at popular natural areas is a must, as is County supervision thereof. Staying on top of short term rental issues should also be a priority, as out of control rentals could ruin popular areas for everyone. Maintain an appropriate focus on natural beauty and demand respect and responsible use both in the woods and on the Big Lake. Thanks for your hard work!	8/9/2025 4:01 PM
126	Make a gym or indoor activity for children as the winters get so long.	8/9/2025 3:34 PM
127	It is to bad that the historic Keweenaw Mountain Lodge is not county owned any more. Many property owners have passed away, moved into assisted living, etc....therefore, some properties are changing hands after being off the market for decades, an ongoing cycle. We need more enforcement of permits to build, septic, water wells, critical dunes, high erosion, following permit requirements....as many fresh building sites are now more challenging to build upon.	8/9/2025 3:34 PM
128	I love the Keweenaw just the way it is. I would love it even more with less traffic.	8/8/2025 9:05 AM
129	Countywide zoning is obsolete. Of the 83 counties in Mi., Keweenaw Co. is the only one that has this outdated zoning (Eagle Harbor exception). Todays Keweenaw Twps have their own identity, yet the more populated Twps have control over the least populated Twps. B&B Taxes in all 5 of these Twps will cover costs and they keep their own identities similar to Eagle Harbor Twp.	8/4/2025 8:47 PM
130	If land is set aside for housing development, make sure there is a plenty big enough landscape/tree barrier from the main roads to the housing development. Nothing is more depressing than seeing housing development take over every bit of land that was once just natural ground. Developers always look to build on every square inch possible, and its sickening for everyone else to look at. Creating a barrier between the roads and development makes it way less noticeable	7/31/2025 12:54 PM
131	Keweenaw County seems pro-development for the tax dollars, instead of listening to local residents and tourists who love the rural character of the County and prefer to limit development. Short-term rentals are needed for the influx of tourism that has been happening. They provide a "family experience" that motel rooms cannot provide. Many tourists tell me that they have a hard time finding a place to stay, and prefer short term rentals.	7/30/2025 9:58 PM