

American Canyon, CA The National Community Survey

Report of Results 2024

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About The NCS™

The National Community Survey[™] (The NCS[™]) report is about the "livability" of American Canyon. A livable community is a place that is not simply habitable, but that is desirable. It is not only where people do live, but where they want to live. The survey was developed by the experts from National Research Center at Polco.

Great communities are partnerships of the government, private sector, community-based organizations and residents, all geographically connected. The NCS captures residents' opinions considering ten central facets of a community:

- Economy
- Mobility
- Community Design
- Utilities
- Safety
- Natural Environment
- Parks and Recreation
- Health and Wellness
- · Education, Arts, and Culture
- · Inclusivity and Engagement





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The report provides the opinions of a representative sample of 519 residents of the City of American Canyon collected from May 7, 2024 to June 16, 2024. The margin of error around any reported percentage is 4% for all respondents and the response rate for the 2024 survey was 5%. Survey results were weighted so that the demographic profile of respondents was representative of the demographic profile of adults in American Canyon.



How the results are reported

For the most part, the percentages presented in the following tabs represent the "percent positive." Most commonly, the percent positive is the combination of the top two most positive response options (i.e., excellent/good, very safe/ somewhat safe, etc.). On many of the questions in the survey respondents may answer "don't know." The proportion of respondents giving this reply is shown in the full set of responses included in the tab "Complete data."

However, these responses have been removed from the analyses presented in most of the tabs. In other words, the tables and graphs display the responses from respondents who had an opinion about a specific item.

Comparisons to benchmarks

NRC's database of comparative resident opinion is comprised of resident perspectives gathered in surveys from over 500 communities whose residents evaluated the same kinds of topics on The National Community Survey. The comparison evaluations are from the most recent survey completed in each community in the last five years. NRC adds the latest results quickly upon survey completion, keeping the benchmark data fresh and relevant. The communities in the database represent a wide geographic and population range. In each tab, American Canyon's results are noted as being "higher" than the benchmark, "lower" than the benchmark, or "similar" to the benchmark, meaning that the average rating given by American Canyon residents is statistically similar to or different (greater or lesser) than the benchmark. Being rated as "higher" or "lower" than the benchmark means that American Canyon's average rating for a particular item was more than 10 points different than the benchmark. If a rating was "much higher" or "much lower," then American Canyon's average rating was more than 20 points different when compared to the benchmark.

Trends over time

Trend data for American Canyon represent important comparison data and should be examined for improvements or declines.¹ Deviations from stable trends over time represent opportunities for understanding how local policies, programs, or public information may have affected residents' opinions. Changes between survey years have been noted with an arrow and the percent difference. If the difference is greater than seven percentage points between the 2022 and 2024 surveys, the change is statistically significant.

1. In 2020, The NCS survey was updated to include new and refreshed items. Consequently, some of the trends may be impacted due to wording modifications that could have potentially altered the meaning of the item for the respondent.



Methods

Selecting survey recipients

All households within the City of American Canyon were eligible to participate in the survey. A list of all households within the zip codes serving American Canyon was purchased from Polco's mailing vendor, Go-Dog Direct, based on updated listings from the United States Postal Service. Since some of the zip codes that serve the City of American Canyon households may also serve addresses that lie outside of the community, the exact geographic location of each housing unit was compared to community boundaries using the most current municipal boundary file. Addresses located outside of the City of American Canyon boundaries were removed from the list of potential households to survey. From that list, addresses were randomly selected as survey recipients, with multi-family housing units (defined as those with a unit number) sampled at a rate of 5:3 compared to single family housing units.

An individual within each household was randomly selected using the "birthday method". The birthday method selects a person within the household by asking the "person who most recently had a birthday" to complete the questionnaire. The underlying assumption in this method is that day of birth has no relationship to the way people respond to surveys. This instruction was contained in the introduction of the survey.

Conducting the survey

The 3,500 randomly selected households received mailings beginning on May 7, 2024 and data collection for the survey remained open for 6 weeks. The first mailing was a postcard inviting the household to participate in the survey. The final mailing was a reiminder postcard inviting the household one final time to participate in the survey. All mailings included a web link to give residents the opportunity to respond to the survey online, as well as QR codes to further encourage participation. All follow-up mailings asked those who had not completed the survey to do so, and those who had already done so to refrain from completing the survey again.

The survey was available in English, Spanish and Tagalog. All mailings contained paragraphs in all languages instructing participants on how to complete the survey in their preferred language.

About 1% of the 3,500 mailed invitations or surveys were returned because the household address was vacant or the postal service was unable to deliver the survey as addressed. Of the remaining 3,478 households that received the invitations to participate, 177 completed the survey, providing an overall response rate of 5%. The response rate was calculated using AAPOR's response rate #2 for mailed surveys of unnamed persons.²

In addition to the randomly selected "probability sample" of households, a link to an online open-participation survey was publicized by the City of American Canyon. The open-participation survey was identical to the random sample survey, with two small updates; it asked a question to confirm the respondent was a resident of American Canyon and also a question about where they heard about the survey. The open-participation survey was open to all city residents and became available on June 2, 2024. The survey remained open for 2 weeks and 342 responses were received.

It is customary to describe the precision of estimates made from surveys by a "level of confidence" and accompanying "confidence interval" (or margin of error). A traditional level of confidence, and the one used here, is 95%. The 95% confidence interval can be any size and quantifies the sampling error or imprecision of the survey results because some residents' opinions are relied on to estimate all residents' opinions. The margin of error for the City of American Canyon survey is no greater than plus or minus 4 percentage points around any given percent reported for all respondents (517 completed surveys).

Analyzing the data

Responses from mailed surveys were entered into an electronic dataset using a "key and verify" method, where all responses are entered twice and compared to each other. Any discrepancies were resolved in comparison to the

original survey form. Range checks as well as other forms of quality control were also performed. Responses from surveys completed on Polco were downloaded and merged with the mailed survey responses.

The demographics of the survey respondents were compared to those found in the 2020 Census and 2022 American Community Survey estimates for adults in the City of American Canyon. The primary objective of weighting survey data is to make the survey respondents reflective of the larger population of the community. The characteristics used for weighting were age, sex, race, Hispanic origin, housing type, and housing tenure. No adjustments were made for design effects. Weights were calculated using an iterative, multiplicative raking model known as the ANES Weighting Algorithm.³ The results of the weighting scheme for the probability sample are presented in the following table.

NRC aligns demographic labels with those used by the U.S. Census for reporting purposes, when possible. Some categories (e.g., age, race/Hispanic origin, housing type, and length of residency) are combined into smaller subgroups.

		Unweighted	Weighted	Target ^₄
Age	18-34	6%	28%	31%
	35-54	42%	36%	34%
	55+	53%	36%	34%
Hispanic origin	No, not of Hispanic, Latino/a/x, or Spanish origin	82%	72%	73%
	Yes, I consider myself to be of Hispanic, Latino/a/x, or Spanish origin	18%	27%	27%
Housing tenure	Own	90%	78%	79%
	Rent	10%	21%	21%
Housing type	Attached	11%	27%	27%
	Detached	89%	72%	73%
Race & Hispanic	Not white alone	58%	80%	77%
origin	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	42%	19%	23%
Sex	Man	35%	44%	48%
	Woman	65%	53%	52%
Sex/age	Man 18-34	2%	10%	16%
	Man 35-54	13%	16%	16%
	Man 55+	20%	18%	17%
	Woman 18-34	3%	16%	16% ₄

Woman 35-54	30%	19%	19%
Woman 55+	31%	18%	17%

The survey datasets were analyzed using all or some of a combination of the Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS), R, Python and Tableau. For the most part, the percentages presented in the reports represent the "percent positive." The percent positive is the combination of the top two most positive response options (i.e., excellent/good, very safe/somewhat safe, essential/very important, etc.), or, in the case of resident behaviors/participation, the percent positive represents the proportion of respondents indicating "yes" or participating in an activity at least once a month.

On many of the questions in the survey respondents may answer "don't know." The proportion of respondents giving this reply is shown in the full set of responses included in the tab "Complete data". However, these responses have been removed from the analyses presented in the reports. In other words, the tables and graphs display the responses from respondents who had an opinion about a specific item.

Contact

The City of American Canyon funded this research. Please contact Jen Kansanback of the City of American Canyon at jkansanback@cityofamericancanyon.org if you have any questions about the survey.

Study Limitations

All public opinion research is subject to unmeasured error. While the methodologies employed for this survey were designed to minimize this error as much as possible, these other sources of potential error should be acknowledged. **Non-response error** arises when those who were selected to participate in the survey did not do so, and may have different opinions or experiences than those who did respond. **Coverage error** refers to the possibility that some respondents that should have been included in the surveyed population were not (e.g., for a general resident survey, USPS mailing lists may exclude certain types of housing units, such as multi-family buildings where mail is delivered to a common area rather than to a specific unit (though this is rare), or where mail is received at a PO box instead of the at household's physical location. Finally, **recall bias** occurs when respondents may not perfectly remember their experiences in the past year (such as participation in social or civic events), and **social desirability bias** may cause respondents to answer in ways they think cast their responses in a more favorable light.

Survey Validity

See the Polco Knowledge Base article on survey validity at https://info.polco.us/knowledge/statistical-vali

2. See AAPOR's Standard Definitions for more information at https://aapor.org/standards-and-ethics/standard-definitions/...

Key Findings

Highest-performing areas:

• Safety related services received high praise from residents, with ratings for Police/Sheriff services increasing 10 percentage points since 2022 and scoring higher than national averages.

 $\cdot\,$ Despite a slight decline, residents praised the community for attracting people from diverse backgrounds, scoring higher than national averages.

• American Canyon's cultural opportunities received positive reviews, showing significant improvement from the previous iteration in 2022.

• Ratings for some mobility related items increased over previous survey results, including traffic signal timing and enforcement, as well as ease of travel by car.

Lowest-performing areas:

• Evaluations of economic related items underperformed, with many items scoring below national comparison groups.

· Availability and affordability of all health-related services scored below national averages, indicating a potential area of opportunity.

· A few items related to inclusivity and engagement saw significant declines from the previous survey, but were in line with national averages.

Other notable ratings:

• The majority of residents reported that they primarily use City parks to enjoy the outdoors and nature, or to walk, run, or bike for exercise.

• Most residents identified their families like to participate in running, walking, biking on trails, followed by community events, recreational swimming, and picnicking.

Areas of greatest change since 2022:

Of the 122 evaluative questions included on both the 2022 and current survey iterations, 88 were statistically similar to previous results. Upward trends were seen in 19 items, while 15 ratings decreased since 2022. The most significant of those trends are listed below.

Increases

Community support for the arts (+16%) Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities (+16%) Crime prevention (+15%) Opportunities to participate in social events (+14%) Ease of travel by car (+12%) Feelings of safety from violent and property crime (12%)

Decreases

Bus or transit services (-15%) American canyon as a place to visit (-12%) Taking care of vulnerable residents (-11%) Public information services (-11%) Overall economic health (-10%)

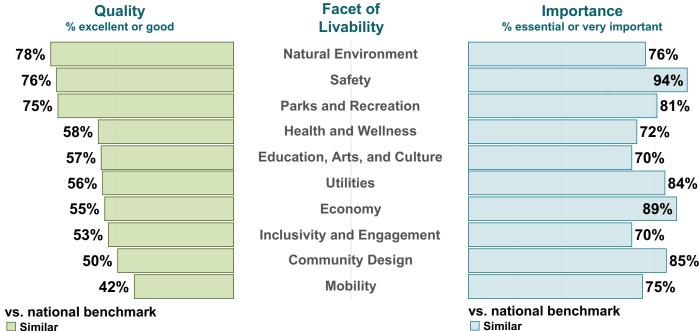
Facets of livability



Every jurisdiction must balance limited resources while meeting resident needs and striving to optimize community livability. To this end, it is helpful to know what aspects of the community are most important to residents and which they perceive as being of higher or lower quality. It is especially helpful to know when a facet of livability is considered of high importance but rated as lower quality, as this should be a top priority to address.

Quality and Importance by the Numbers

The table below shows the proportion of residents who rated the community facets positively for quality and the priority (importance) placed on each. Also displayed is whether local quality ratings were lower, similar, or higher t...



Similar Quality/Importance Gap Analysis

The gap analysis chart below shows the same data as above; however, this chart more clearly illustrates the comparative differences in quality and importance ratings for each facet, as well as the absolute ratings for each.

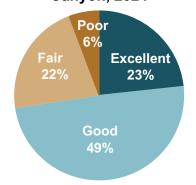
Safety	Quality					76%		
-	Importance							94% 🔵
Economy	Quality		(55%				
-	Importance							89%
Community Design	Quality		50%					
	Importance						085%	6
Utilities	Quality			56%				
	Importance						84%	
Parks and Recreation	Quality					75%		
	Importance					(81%	
Natural Environment	Quality					78	3%	
	Importance					76%		
Mobility	Quality	42 %						
-	Importance					75%		
Health and Wellness	Quality			58%				
	Importance					72%		
Education, Arts, and C.	Quality			57%				
	Importance				070%	D		
Inclusivity and Engage	Quality		\bigcirc	53%				
	Importance				70%	5		
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The overall quality of life in American Canyon, 2024

Quality of Life

Measuring community livability starts with assessing the quality of life of those who live there, and ensuring that the community is attractive, accessible, and welcoming to all.



Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in American Canyon. (% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
American Canyon as a place to live			83%	● 77% Similar vs. benchmark*
The overall quality of life			77%	73% Similar

Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following.

(% very or somewhat likely)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Recommend living in American Canyon to someone who asks			82%•	—_● 81% Similar
Remain in American Canyon for the next five years			80%•	● 89% Similar

Please rate each of the following in the American Canyon community.

(% excellent or good)

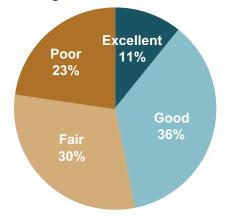
	2018	2020	2022	2024
Overall image or reputation			61%	68% Similar

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Governance

Strong local governments produce results that meet the needs of residents while making the best use of available resources, and are responsive to the present and future needs of the community as a whole.

Overall confidence in American Canyon government, 2024



Please rate the quality of each of the following services in American Canyon.

(% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Public information services			74%	62% Similar vs. benchmark ⁹
Overall customer service by American Canyon employees			77%	77% Similar

Please rate the following categories of American Canyon government performance. (% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
The value of services for the taxes paid to American Canyon			53%	49% Similar
The overall direction that American Canyon is taking			52% •	47% Similar
The job American Canyon government does at welcoming resident involvement			60%•	59% Similar
Overall confidence in American Canyon government			53%	47% Similar
Generally acting in the best interest of the community			55%•	47% Similar
Being honest			55%	● 59% Similar
Being open and transparent to the public			54%	54% Similar
Informing residents about issues facing the community			54%∙	53% Similar
Treating all residents fairly			66% •	63% Similar
Treating residents with respect			67% [•]	67% Similar

Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months. (% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Attended a local public meeting			11%	23% Similar
Contacted American Canyon elected officials to express your opinion			15%	24% Similar
Contacted the City of American Canyon for help or information			40%•	● 46% Similar
Watched a local public meeting			36%	27% Similar

Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by each of the following? (% excellent or good)

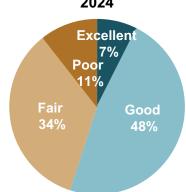
	2018	2020	2022	2024
The City of American Canyon			68% •	62% Similar
The Federal Government			40%•	39% Similar

Overall economic health of American Canyon, 2024



Economy

Local governments work together with private and nonprofit businesses, and with the community at large, to foster sustainable growth, create jobs, and promote a thriving local economy.



Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to American Canyon as a whole. (% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
			65%	55%
Overall economic health				Similar
				vs. benchmark ¹⁰

Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in American Canyon. (% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
American Canyon as a place to work			35%⊷	37% Lower
American Canyon as a place to visit			43%	31% Much lower

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in American Canyon.

(% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Economic development			45%•	52% Similar

Please rate each of the following in the American Canyon community.

(% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Overall quality of business and service establishments			55% •	50% Lower
			37%	_ 33%

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Lower

Vibrancy of downtown/commercial area	26%•	28% –● Much lower
Employment opportunities	21%•	-• 20% Lower
Shopping opportunities	22%•	-•21% Lower
Cost of living	28%•	27% Similar

What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months? Do you think the impact will be: (% very or somewhat positive)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months? Do you think the impact will be:			19%	26% Similar



Overall quality of the transportation system in American Canyon, 2024

Mobility

The ease with which residents can move about their communities, whether for commuting, leisure, or recreation, plays a major role in the quality of life for all who live, work, and play in the community.

Poor Excellent 23% 13% Good 29% Fair 35%

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to American Canyon as a whole. (% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
			46%	
Overall quality of the transportation system				Similar
				vs. benchmark ¹¹

Please also rate each of the following in the American Canyon community.

(% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Traffic flow on major streets			20%•	21% Much lower
Ease of public parking			63%•	● 62% Similar
Ease of travel by car			51%	● 63% Similar
Ease of travel by public transportation			44%⊷	35% Similar
Ease of travel by bicycle			54%•	55% Similar
Ease of walking			54%	62% Similar

Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months. (% yes)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Used public transportation instead of driving			15%•	16% Similar
Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone			41%∙───	43% Similar
Walked or biked instead of driving			66% [•]	● 63% Similar

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in American Canyon. $\binom{9}{2}$ excellent or good

(% excellent or good)

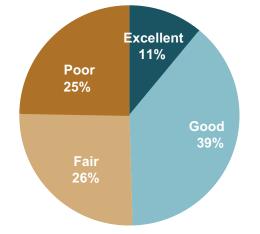
	2018	2020	2022	2024
Traffic enforcement			47%	56% Similar
Traffic signal timing			34%•	45% Similar
Street repair			35%⊷	40% Similar
Street cleaning			65% [•]	● 61% Similar
Street lighting			64%	● 62% Similar
Sidewalk maintenance			59% •	57% Similar
Bus or transit services			55%	40% Similar



Overall design or layout of American Canyon's residential and commercial areas, 2024

Community Design

A well-designed community enhances the quality of life for its residents by encouraging smart land use and zoning, ensuring that affordable housing is accessible to all, and providing access to parks and other green spaces.



Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to American Canyon as a whole. (% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Overall design or layout of residential and			48%	● 50% Similar
commercial areas				vs. benchmark ¹²

Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in American Canyon.

(% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Your neighborhood as a place to live			79%•	82% Similar

Please also rate each of the following in the American Canyon community. (% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Well-planned residential growth			42%	44% Similar
Well-planned commercial growth			27%⊷	31% Similar
Well-designed neighborhoods			54%•	52% Similar



Please rate the quality of each of the following services in American Canyon. (% excellent or good)

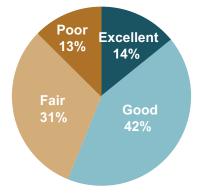
	2018	2020	2022	2024
Land use, planning and zoning			34%	34% Similar
Code enforcement			41%	47% Similar



Overall quality of the utility infrastructure in American Canyon, 2024

Utilities

Services such as water, gas, electricity, and internet access play a vital role in ensuring the physical and economic health and well-being of the communities they serve.



Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to American Canyon as a whole. (% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Overall quality of the utility infrastructure			65%	● 56% Similar vs. benchmark¹³

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in American Canyon.

(% excellent or good)

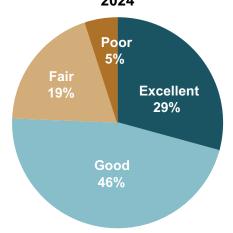
	2018	2020	2022	2024
Affordable high-speed internet access			52%	52% Similar
Garbage collection			82%	● 77% Similar
Drinking water			66% •	56% Lower
Sewer services			76%•	—_● 74% Similar
Storm water management			73%	—● 76% Similar
Power (electric and/or gas) utility			63% -	67% Similar
Utility billing			54%•	46% Lower



Overall feeling of safety in American Canyon, 2024

Safety

Public safety is often the most important task facing local governments. All residents should feel safe and secure in their neighborhoods and in the greater community, and providing robust safety-related services is essential to residents' quality of life.



Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to American Canyon as a whole. (% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Overall feeling of safety			67%-	76% Similar
				vs. benchmark¹⁴
Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel: (% very or somewhat safe)				
	2018	2020	2022	2024
In your neighborhood during the day			86%	91% Similar
In American Canyon's downtown/commercial area during the day			75%⊷	79% Similar
From property crime			58%	70% Similar
From violent crime			65%	77% Similar
From fire, flood, or other natural disaster			76%	79% Similar

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in American Canyon.

(% excellent or good)

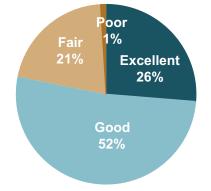
2018	2020	2022	2024
		75%⊷	84% Higher
		65% 	80% Similar
		63%	69% Similar
		83%	● 92% Similar
		91% •	95% Similar
		78%	84% Similar
		63% 	70% Similar
	2018		75% 65% 63% 83% 91% 78%



Overall quality of natural environment in American Canyon, 2024

Natural Environment

The natural environment plays a vital role in the health and well-being of residents. The natural spaces in which residents live and experience their communities has a direct and profound effect on quality of life.



Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to American Canyon as a whole. (% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Overall quality of natural environment			79%	● 78% Similar vs. benchmark¹⁵

Please also rate each of the following in the American Canyon community.

(% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Cleanliness			68%	76% Similar
Water resources			44%⊷	47% Similar
Air quality			74%	75% Similar

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in American Canyon. (% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Preservation of natural areas			70%•	71% Similar
American Canyon open space			74%	● 76% Similar
Recycling			76%•	75% Similar
Yard waste pick-up			80%	83% Similar

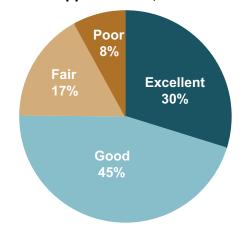


Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities, 2024

Parks and Recreation

"There are no communities that pride themselves on their quality of life, promote themselves as a desirable location for businesses to relocate, or maintain that they are environmental stewards of their natural resources, without such communities having a robust, active system of parks and recreation programs for public use and enjoyment."

- National Recreation and Park Association



Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to American Canyon as a whole. (% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities			74%	● 75% Similar vs. benchmark ¹⁶

Please also rate each of the following in the American Canyon community.

(% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Availability of paths and walking trails			75%•	77% Similar
Fitness opportunities			69%	63% Similar
Recreational opportunities			52%	59% Similar

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in American Canyon.

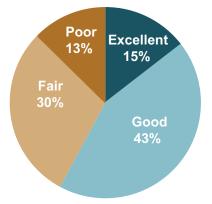
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	2018	2020	2022	2024
City parks			69%	75% Similar
Recreation programs or classes			65%	75% Similar
Recreation centers or facilities			70%	66% Similar

Poico Health and Wellness

The characteristics of and amenities available in the communities in which people live has a direct impact on the health and wellness of residents, and thus, on their quality of life overall.

Overall health and wellness opportunities in American Canyon, 2024



Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to American Canyon as a whole. (% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Overall health and wellness opportunities			62%	● 58% Similar vs. benchmark ¹⁷

Please also rate each of the following in the American Canyon community.

(% excellent or good)

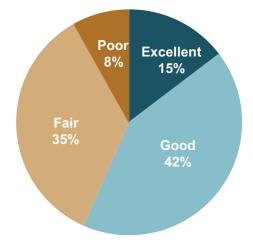
	2018	2020	2022 42%	2024 40%
Availability of affordable quality food				Lower
Availability of affordable quality health care			42%	
Availability of preventive health services			43%	
Availability of affordable quality mental health care			29%	21%

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in American Canyon. (% excellent or good)

2018 2020 2022 2024 55%[•] 53% Health services Lower Please rate your overall health. (% excellent or very good) 2018 2020 2022 2024 64%[•] 61% Please rate your overall health. Similar



Overall opportunities for education, culture and the arts, 2024



Education, Arts, and Culture

Participation in the arts, in educational opportunities, and in cultural activities is linked to increased civic engagement, greater social tolerance, and enhanced enjoyment of the local community.

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to American Canyon as a whole. (% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Overall opportunities for education, culture, and			46%	● 57% Similar
the arts				vs. benchmark ¹⁸

Please also rate each of the following in the American Canyon community.

(% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities			25%	41% Similar
Community support for the arts			36%•	52% Similar
Availability of affordable quality childcare/preschool			42%⊷	44% Similar
K-12 education			66%-	● 76% Similar
Adult educational opportunities			37%	41% Similar
Opportunities to attend special events and festivals			49%	59% Similar

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in American Canyon. (% excellent or good)

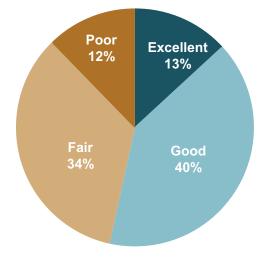
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	2018	2020	2022	2024
Public library services			79%	● 86% Similar



Residents' connection and engagement with their community, 2024

Inclusivity and Engagement

Inclusivity refers to a cultural and environmental feeling of belonging; residents who feel invited to participate within their communities feel more included, involved, and engaged than those who do not.



Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to American Canyon as a whole. (% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Residents' connection and engagement with their community			56%•	● 53% Similar vs. benchmark ¹⁹

Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in American Canyon.

(% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
American Canyon as a place to raise children			80%	● 83% Similar
American Canyon as a place to retire			60%•	62% Similar
Sense of community			68% •	63% Similar

Please rate the job you feel the American Canyon community does at each of the following. (% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
			77%	68%
Making all residents feel welcome				Similar

Attracting people from diverse backgrounds	84%	● 77% Higher
Valuing/respecting residents from diverse backgrounds	85%	● 76% Similar
Taking care of vulnerable residents	73%⊷	• 62% Similar

Please also rate each of the following in the American Canyon community.

(% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Sense of civic/community pride			54%	61% Similar
Neighborliness of residents			61%•	—● 61% Similar
Opportunities to participate in social events and activities			43%	58% Similar
Opportunities to volunteer			60%•	61% Similar
Opportunities to participate in community matters			53%	61% Similar
Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds			69% •	● 69% Similar

Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months. (% excellent or good)

	2018	2020	2022	2024
Campaigned or advocated for a local issue, cause, or candidate			20%•	20% Similar
Voted in your most recent local election			79%	●78% Similar

Custom questions

Below are the complete set of responses to each custom question on the survey. By default, "don't know" responses are excluded, but may be added to the table using the response filter below.

			Include "don't know" No
How frequent do you visit the	Sports field	Once a week or more	21%
following parks in American Canyon?		1-2 times a month	22%
American Ganyon:		Less than 5 times a year	24%
		Never	33%
	Neighborhood parks	Once a week or more	40%
	parks	1-2 times a month	31%
		Less than 5 times a year	24%
		Never	5%
	Open spaces	Once a week or more	25%
		1-2 times a month	34%
		Less than 5 times a year	31%
		Never	11%
	Trails	Once a week or more	30%
		1-2 times a month	34%
		Less than 5 times a year	23%
		Never	12%
	Dog park	Once a week or more	8%
		1-2 times a month	3%
		Less than 5 times a year	16%
		Never	74%
	Skate park	Once a week or more	2%
		1-2 times a month	3%
		Less than 5 times a year	12%

	Never	83%
Outdoor covered exercise equipment	Once a week or more	7%
exercise equipment	1-2 times a month	89
	Less than 5 times a year	229
	Never	63%
Sand volleyball	Once a week or more	49
courts	1-2 times a month	49
	Less than 5 times a year	109
	Never	829
Tennis courts	Once a week or more	5
	1-2 times a month	4
	Less than 5 times a year	204
	Never	719
Basketball courts	Once a week or more	8
	1-2 times a month	129
	Less than 5 times a year	20
	Never	60'
Bocceball courts	Once a week or more	3'
	1-2 times a month	3'
	Less than 5 times a year	10'
	Never	851
Pickleball courts	Once a week or more	2'
	1-2 times a month	4
	Less than 5 times a year	11
	Never	839
What are the primary reasons	Enjoy the outdoors and nature	849
that you use parks in American	Walk, run, or bike for exercise	799
Canyon? (click all	Walk your dog	449

		Nature walks	57%
		Play sports	30%
		Participate in family activities	48%
		Picnic and general leisure activities	46%
		Meet friends	32%
		Attend community events	37%
		Don't use parks	4%
	What type of recreational	Recreational swim (pool)	43%
	activities do you or	Lap swim (pool)	18%
	your family like to participate in American Canyon	Water exercise (pool)	22%
	or elsewhere?	Swim lessons	27%
	(Select all that apply)	Basketball	24%
		Softball/Baseball	16%
		Soccer	20%
		Flag football	7%
		Arts and crafts	31%
		Summer camp	16%
		Outdoor nature programs	30%
		Running, walking, biking on trails	79%
		Community events	55%
		Photography	26%
		Playgrounds (visit/play)	37%
		Picnicking	42%
		Exercise and fitness classes	25%
		Enrichment-based classes (STEAM)	9%
		Seasonal and summer camps	11%
		Adult sports leagues	10%
		Open gym: basketball and volleyball	11%
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	Badminton	8%	D
	Dance	12%	5
	Tennis	12%	5
	Pickleball	7%	, D
	Bocceball	9%	, D
	Skateboard/rollerskating	8%	D
What is the most convenient	Weekday mornings 9am-12pm	14%	2
program times for	Weekday afternoons 12pm-4pm	5%	, D
you and others in your household?	Weekday evenings after 4pm	22%	5
	Weekend mornings 9am-12pm	25%	
	Weekend afternoons 12pm-4pm	10%	5
	Weekend evenings after 4pm	7%	, D
	Drop-in format, rather than on-going activities	18%)

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Please complete this survey if you are the adult (age 18 or older) in the household who most recently had a birthday (the year of birth does not matter). Your responses are confidential and no identifying information will be shared.

1. Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in American Canyon.

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	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
American Canyon as a place to live	1	2	3	4	5
Your neighborhood as a place to live	1	2	3	4	5
American Canyon as a place to raise children	1	2	3	4	5
American Canyon as a place to work	1	2	3	4	5
American Canyon as a place to visit	1	2	3	4	5
American Canyon as a place to retire	1	2	3	4	5
The overall quality of life in American Canyon	1	2	3	4	5
Sense of community	1	2	3	4	5

2. Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to American Canyon as a whole.

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	<u>Don't know</u>
Overall economic health of American Canyon		2	3	4	5
Overall quality of the transportation system (auto, bicycle, foot, bus)					
in American Canyon		2	3	4	5
Overall design or layout of American Canyon's residential and comme	rcial				
areas (e.g., homes, buildings, streets, parks, etc.)		2	3	4	5
Overall quality of the utility infrastructure in American Canyon					
(water, sewer, storm water, electric/gas, broadband)	1	2	3	4	5
Overall feeling of safety in American Canyon	1	2	3	4	5
Overall quality of natural environment in American Canyon		2	3	4	5
Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities		2	3	4	5
Overall health and wellness opportunities in American Canyon		2	3	4	5
Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts		2	3	4	5
Residents' connection and engagement with their community		2	3	4	5

3. Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following.

Ve like		Somewhat <u>likely</u>	Somewhat <u>unlikely</u>	Very <u>unlikely</u>	Don't <u>know</u>	
Recommend living in American Canyon to someone who asks1	1	2	3	4	5	
Remain in American Canyon for the next five years1	1	2	3	4	5	

4. Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:

		Very <u>safe</u>	Somewhat <u>safe</u>	Neither safe <u>nor unsafe</u>	Somewhat <u>unsafe</u>	Very <u>unsafe</u>	Don't <u>know</u>
	In your neighborhood during the day	1	2	3	4	5	6
	In American Canyon's downtown/commercial area						5 4
	during the day	1	2	3	4	5	6
	From property crime		2	3	4	5	6 5
	From violent crime	1	2	3	4	5	6
	From fire, flood, or other natural disaster	1	2	3	4	5	6
5.	Please rate the job you feel the American Canyon	comm			e following.		i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i
					<u>ood</u> <u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	Don't know
	Making all residents feel welcome			1	2 3	4	5 5
	Attracting people from diverse backgrounds			1	2 3	4	5 2

6. Please rate each of the following in the American Canyon community.

Valuing/respecting residents from diverse backgrounds......1

Taking care of vulnerable residents (elderly, disabled, homeless, etc.)........... 1

Excellent	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	Poor	<u>Don't know</u>
Overall quality of business and service establishments in American Canyon1	2	3	4	5
Variety of business and service establishments in American Canyon	2	3	4	5
Vibrancy of downtown/commercial area1	2	3	4	5
Employment opportunities1	2	3	4	5
Shopping opportunities1	2	3	4	5
Cost of living in American Canyon1	2	3	4	5
Overall image or reputation of American Canyon 1	2	3	4	5

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/.	Please also rate each of the following in the American Canyon com	Excellent	<u>Good</u>	Fair	Door I	<u>) Oon't know</u>
	Traffic flow on major streets		<u>400u</u> 2	3	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
	Ease of public parking		2	3	4	5
	Ease of travel by car in American Canyon		2	3	4	5
	Ease of travel by public transportation in American Canyon		2	3	4	5
	Ease of travel by bicycle in American Canyon		2	3	4	5
	Ease of walking in American Canyon		2	3	4	5
	Well-planned residential growth		2	3	4	5
	Well-planned commercial growth		2	3	4	5
	Well-designed neighborhoods		2	3	4	5
	Preservation of the historical or cultural character of the community		2	3	4	5
	Public places where people want to spend time		2	3	4	5
	Variety of housing options		2	3	4	5
	Availability of affordable quality housing		2	3	4	5
	Overall quality of new development in American Canyon		2	3	4	5
	Overall appearance of American Canyon		2	3	4	5
	Cleanliness of American Canyon		2	3	4	5
	Water resources (beaches, lakes, ponds, riverways, etc.)		2	3	4	5
	Air quality		2	3	4	5
	Availability of paths and walking trails		2	3	4	5
	Fitness opportunities (including exercise classes and paths or trails, etc		2	3	4	5
	Recreational opportunities		2	3	4	5
	Availability of affordable quality food		2	3	4	5
	Availability of affordable quality health care		2	3	4	5
	Availability of preventive health services		2	3	4	5
			2		4	
	Availability of affordable quality mental health care		2	3	-	5
	Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities			3	4	5
	Community support for the arts		2	3	4	5
	Availability of affordable quality childcare/preschool		2	3	4	5
	K-12 education		2	3	4	5
	Adult educational opportunities		2	3	4	5
	Sense of civic/community pride		2	3	4	5
	Neighborliness of residents in American Canyon		2	3	4	5
	Opportunities to participate in social events and activities		2	3	4	5
	Opportunities to attend special events and festivals		2	3	4	5
	Opportunities to volunteer		2	3	4	5
	Opportunities to participate in community matters	1	2	3	4	5
	Openness and acceptance of the community toward people	1	2	2	4	-
	of diverse backgrounds	1	2	3	4	5
8.	Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following	g in the la	st 12 mo	onths.		
					<u>No</u>	Yes
	Contacted the City of American Canyon (in-person, phone, email, or we					2
	Contacted American Canyon elected officials (in-person, phone, email, e			your opi	nion1	2
	Attended a local public meeting (of local elected officials like City Coun-					
	Supervisors, advisory boards, town halls, etc.)					2
	Watched (online or on television) a local public meeting					2
	Volunteered your time to some group/activity in American Canyon					2
	Campaigned or advocated for a local issue, cause, or candidate					2
	Voted in your most recent local election					2
	Used public transportation instead of driving					2
	Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone					2
	Walked or biked instead of driving				1	2

7. Please also rate each of the following in the American Canyon community.

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	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Public information services	1	2	3	4	5
Economic development	1	2	3	4	5
Traffic enforcement	1	2	3	4	5
Traffic signal timing		2	3	4	5
Street repair		2	3	4	5
Street cleaning		2	3	4	5
Street lighting		2	3	4	5
Sidewalk maintenance		2	3	4	5
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Bus or transit services		2	3	4	5
Land use, planning, and zoning		2	3	4	5
Code enforcement (weeds, abandoned buildings, etc.)		2	3	4	5
Affordable high-speed internet access	1	2	3	4	5
Garbage collection	1	2	3	4	5
Drinking water	1	2	3	4	5
Sewer services		2	3	4	5
Storm water management (storm drainage, dams, levees, etc.)		2	3	4	5
Power (electric and/or gas) utility		2	3	4	5
Utility billing		2	3	4	5
Police services		2	3	4	5
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Crime prevention		2	3	4	5
Animal control		2	3	4	5
Ambulance or emergency medical services		2	3	4	5
Fire services		2	3	4	5
Fire prevention and education	1	2	3	4	5
Emergency preparedness (services that prepare the community					
for natural disasters or other emergency situations)	1	2	3	4	5
Preservation of natural areas (open space, farmlands, and greenbe	elts) 1	2	3	4	5
American Canyon open space		2	3	4	5
Recycling		2	3	4	5
Yard waste pick-up		2	3	4	5
City parks		2	3	4	5
Recreation programs or classes		2	3	4	5
Recreation centers or facilities		2	3	4	5
		2	3	4	5
Health services		2	3	4	5
Public library services	I	2	3	4	5
Overall customer service by American Canyon employees	1	2	2	4	-
(police, receptionists, planners, etc.)	I	2	3	4	5
10. Please rate the following categories of American Canyon gove	rnment perf	ormance			
	Excellent	Good	<u>Fair</u>	Poor	<u>Don't know</u>
The value of services for the taxes paid to American Canyon	1	2	3	4	5
The overall direction that American Canyon is taking		2	3	4	5
The job American Canyon government does at welcoming resident in		1	2	3	4 5
Overall confidence in American Canyon government		2	3	4	5
Generally acting in the best interest of the community		2	3	4	5
Being honest		2	3	4	5
Being open and transparent to the public		2	3	4	5
Informing residents about issues facing the community		2	3	4	5
Treating all residents fairly		2	3	4	5
Treating residents with respect		2	3	4	5
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11. Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provid			-	P	
	Excellent	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	Poor	<u>Don't know</u>
The City of American Canyon		2	3	4	5
The Federal Government	1	2	3	4	5



12. Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the American Canyon community to focus on each of the following in the coming two years.

	<u>Essential</u>	Very <u>important</u>	Somewhat <u>important</u>	Not at all important
Overall economic health of American Canyon	1	2	3	4
Overall quality of the transportation system (auto, bicycle, foot, bus)				
in American Canyon	1	2	3	4
Overall design or layout of American Canyon's residential and commercia	al			
areas (e.g., homes, buildings, streets, parks, etc.)	1	2	3	4
Overall quality of the utility infrastructure in American Canyon				
(water, sewer, storm water, electric/gas, broadband)	1	2	3	4
Overall feeling of safety in American Canyon	1	2	3	4
Overall quality of natural environment in American Canyon	1	2	3	4
Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities	1	2	3	4
Overall health and wellness opportunities in American Canyon	1	2	3	4
Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts	1	2	3	4
Residents' connection and engagement with their community	1	2	3	4

13. How frequent do you visit the following parks in American Canyon?

is now nequent do you visit the following parks in miler lean carryo	/11 -			
		-	Less than 5	
	<u>or more</u>	<u>a month</u>	<u>times a year</u>	<u>Never</u>
Sports field		2	3	4
Neighborhood parks		2	3	4
Open spaces	1	2	3	4
Trails		2	3	4
Dog park	1	2	3	4
Skate park	1	2	3	4
Outdoor covered exercise equipment		2	3	4
Sand volleyball courts		2	3	4
Tennis courts		2	3	4
Basketball courts	1	2	3	4
Bocceball courts	1	2	3	4
Pickleball courts	1	2	3	4

14. What are the primary reasons that you use parks in American Canyon (click all that apply)

	······································	
• Enjoy the outdoors and nature	• Play sports	O
• Walk, run, or bike for exercise	• Participate in family activities	0
• Walk your dog	• Picnic and general leisure	Ol
• Nature walks	activities	

15. What type of recreational activities do you or your family like to participate in American Canyon or elsewhere? (Select all that apply)

- Recreational swim (pool) **O** Summer camp
- O Lap swim (pool) • Outdoor nature programs
- Water exercise (pool) • Running, walking, biking on trails • Community events
- **O** Swim lessons
- **O** Basketball
- Softball/Baseball
- **O** Soccer

- **O** Photography • Playgrounds (visit/play)
- **O** Picnicking
- **O**Flag football **O** Arts and crafts

O Seasonal and summer camps • Adult sports leagues

Meet friends

Don't use parks

- Open gym: basketball and volleyball **O** Badminton

Attend community events

- **O** Dance
- **O** Tennis
- **O** Pickleball
- **O** Bocceball
- Skateboard/rollerskating
- **O** Enrichment-based classes (STEAM)
- 16. What is the most convenient program times for you and others in your household?

• Exercise and fitness classes

- Weekday mornings 9am-12pm
- Weekend mornings 9am-12pm • Weekend afternoons 12pm-4pm
- **O** Weekday afternoons 12pm-4pm **O** Weekday evenings after 4pm
- Weekend evenings after 4pm
- O Drop-in format, rather than ongoing activities
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Our last questions are about you and your household. Again, all of your responses to this survey are confidential and no identifying information will be shared.

1. In general, how many times do you:	Several <u>times a day</u>	Once <u>a day</u>	A few times <u>a week</u>	Every <u>few weeks</u>	Less often <u>or never</u>	Don' <u>knov</u>
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Visit social media sites such as Facebook, Twitter, Nextdoor, etc Use or check email Share your opinions online Shop online	1 1	2 2 2 2	3 3 3 3	4 4 4 4	5 5 5 5	6 6 6
2. Please rate your overall health. • Excellent • Very good • O General • O G		Fair	O Poor			
3. What impact, if any, do you think the eco Do you think the impact will be:	nomy will ha	ve on yo	ur family inco			
 Very positive Somewhat positive How many years have you lived in American Canyon? Less than 2 years 2-5 years 6-10 years 11-20 years More than 20 years 	D1	0. How r incon (Pleas sourc O Les O \$22 O \$22	C Somewhat n much do you a ne before taxes se include in y ces for all perse ss than \$25,000 5,000 to \$49,99 0,000 to \$74,99	Inticipate you s will be for t our total inco ons living in 0	he current y ome money f your househ ,000 to \$149, ,000 to \$199, ,000 to \$299,	l's total ear? from al old.) 999 999 999
 5. Which best describes the building you livin? O Single-family detached home O Townhouse or duplex (may share walls b no units above or below you) O Condominium or apartment (have units above or below you) O Mobile home O Other 	s but D11. Are you of Hispanic, Latino/a/x, or Spanish origin O No O Yes D12. What is your race? (Mark one or more races to					
 6. Do you rent or own your home? Q Rent Q Own 		WhiteA race not listed				
 About how much is your monthly housing cost for the place you live (including rent mortgage payment, property tax, proper insurance, and homeowners' association (HOA) fees)? 	g t, ty	 18- 25- 35- 	lich category -24 years -34 years -44 years -54 years	O 55-64 O 65-74		
○ Less than \$300 ○ \$2,500 to \$3,99 ○ \$300 to \$599 ○ \$4,000 to \$6,99 ○ \$600 to \$999 ○ \$7,000 to \$9,99 ○ \$1,000 to \$1,499 ○ \$10,000 or motion	99 99 99 re	O Wo O Ma O Ide	n entify in anothe	er way → go t		
 8. Do any children 17 or under live in your household? O No O Yes 		 D14a. If you identify in another way, how would you describe your gender? Agender/I don't identify with any gender Genderqueer/gender fluid Non-binary Transgender man Transgender woman Two-spirit Identify in another way 				
 9. Are you or any other members of your household aged 65 or older? O No O Yes 						