

Q1 How would you describe Milton's culture?

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Farm community	4/30/2018 1:43 PM
2	Friendly, welcoming and community oriented	4/30/2018 9:01 AM
3	A Home town.	4/30/2018 8:58 AM
4	Eclectic. Family based. With more amenities and programs our community would be stronger	4/30/2018 8:21 AM
5	Working class. Very little culture in terms of ethnic or cultural variability.	4/29/2018 5:44 PM
6	Very small town, provincial.	4/29/2018 10:03 AM
7	Simple and friendly	4/28/2018 7:17 AM
8	Very limited	4/27/2018 10:30 PM
9	Not quite sure what you mean by that.	4/27/2018 9:02 PM
10	dumb	4/27/2018 4:08 PM
11	Relaxed	4/27/2018 1:31 PM
12	growing and evolving	4/27/2018 10:34 AM
13	Mostly a bedroom community making residents having to pay a big tax bill. Need more businesses to help pay some taxes.	4/27/2018 10:03 AM
14	Blue Collar	4/27/2018 9:46 AM
15	A work in progress. Sort of has small town feel which I love. But being mostly a bedroom community hard to meet up in town. Usually find my family headed to Williston/Essex/So Burlington to "to out" we need more options in the core. More walking/recreational options.	4/27/2018 8:56 AM
16	sports oriented, bordering redneckish	4/27/2018 8:45 AM
17	Small town struggling to become bigger, also in the midst of growing pains unsure how to proceed	4/27/2018 8:31 AM
18	Community based. Divided.	4/27/2018 5:54 AM
19	Working class bedroom community	4/26/2018 10:37 PM
20	Conservative, hard-working people that would like to raise their families with traditional values.	4/26/2018 9:52 PM
21	Diverse	4/26/2018 9:43 PM
22	Laid back	4/26/2018 9:41 PM
23	Blue collar community with people who do not support issues that Would improve the quality of life in Milton. Our Farmers' Market almost went down for God's sake. No stable leadership--who are the town fathers?	4/26/2018 9:18 PM
24	I'm struggling to know what "culture" Milton has?!	4/26/2018 8:42 PM
25	What is the working definition of Culture that you're hoping to define?	4/26/2018 8:28 PM
26	Rural, county, small town, conservative & poor, mixed with commuting professionals and their families who needed an affordable place to live	4/26/2018 8:19 PM
27	Small town america	4/26/2018 7:49 PM
28	Limited	4/26/2018 7:47 PM
29	Evolving	4/26/2018 7:44 PM
30	A real mix of conservative "Good ole boys," blue collar, poor people, educated liberals and lots of families. Lots of kids. Lots of white people - some closed minded and hateful, which brings unfortunate tension into the community, and plenty of open minded, kind people.	4/26/2018 7:29 PM

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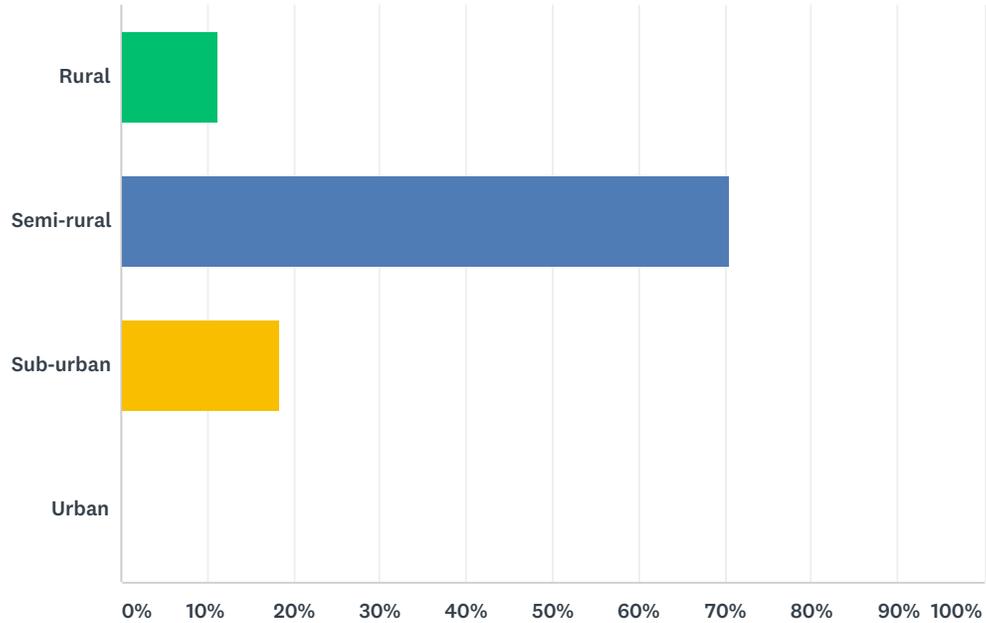
31	Bud Light & Pick-up Trucks	4/26/2018 7:28 PM
32	Small town family friendly and low crime	4/26/2018 7:23 PM
33	Seems to be a lack of identity. Very friendly people, helpful community, but the character doesn't mirror that.	4/26/2018 7:16 PM
34	Vermont'ish	4/26/2018 6:53 PM
35	Unsure	4/26/2018 6:48 PM
36	Average, but forward-looking.	4/26/2018 6:43 PM
37	No idea, only just moved there.	4/26/2018 6:32 PM
38	Small town with growing pains.	4/26/2018 6:27 PM
39	Slowly evolving. Milton used to be viewed as a low income, low educated area. It is becoming more diverse as newer developments and commercial properties pop up between the trailer parks and attract younger families looking for the perks of chittenden county but who can't afford Burlington.	4/26/2018 5:44 PM
40	To describe one must first define culture; Oxford dictionary: The ideas, customs, and social behavior of a particular people or society. The attitudes and behavior characteristic of a particular social group. MILTON culture is average to below average in terms of the arts, tastes in food, and cultural endeavors. There has been an effort over the past several years to elevate tastes and behaviors - A wonderful Thai restaurant that failed, an Artist Society that is struggling to gain wider appeal, education and cultural courses given through the Town. All these have their merits, but I do not see Milton becoming a mecca for an erudite and artistically passionate population anytime soon. Upscale is not the norm here, if it were, town officials would have done more to promote the preservation and improvement to the old Main Street, what should have been Milton's pride and joy, worked to preserve its' architecture, prevent heavy trucks and 35mph traffic up and down Main Street. Throwing this beautiful piece of history to the convenience of Husky just to bring in a new factory was a short sighted decision. Same with selling the beautiful #1 Main Street Building, which had been deeded to the town into perpetuity as I understand it. Short sighted to say the least. So much more could have been done with that building. In my opinion, Milton is and will remain working class, blue collar with a limited vision for building a dynamic and architecturally pleasing downtown. The eyesore senior apartment is a fine example of that mediocrity. Nothing wrong with that, just recognize the town's culture and either embrace it or create a plan to change and/or improve it.	4/26/2018 5:38 PM
41	small town, friendly, homogeneous	4/26/2018 4:59 PM
42	There are country folks and city folks who love the Town.	4/26/2018 4:38 PM
43	socially and culturally different experiences. Schools do a good job trying to bridge the gap and keep inclusive but families, money, sports keep it divided I think without meaning to. It just is happening.	4/26/2018 3:25 PM
44	improving	4/26/2018 3:00 PM
45	Working class with narrow minded views more often than not	4/26/2018 2:28 PM
46	Coming. Milton has had to climb out from under a lot of messy history/scandals/mistakes. We are starting to realize our potential. I was embarrassed to say I was from Milton in 1985, but now I think, if I am proud of my town, others will be too.	4/26/2018 1:59 PM
47	Toxic	4/26/2018 1:35 PM
48	Self-Serving.	4/26/2018 1:35 PM
49	In a state of flux between "old Milton" and "new Milton"	4/26/2018 1:22 PM
50	Evolving, due to new leadership at the town, ie. Town Manager and Public Works Director. The new leadership is more accessible and easier to get along with.	4/26/2018 1:14 PM
51	evolving bedroom community - population is becoming more diverse economically (mean income, source of income), politically and with social attitudes (though conservatism dominates), ethnically, in educational level, and in opportunities for entertainment, involvement and interconnection, and business development.	4/26/2018 12:43 PM
52	Family-oriented and suburb-rural. I feel it lacks a solid definition or focus.	4/26/2018 12:42 PM

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53	I would describe the culture as transitional. We have the natives and a large addition of new residents	4/26/2018 12:24 PM
54	Mixed	4/26/2018 12:20 PM
55	Divided. There seems to be a conflict between the "old Milton" and the people who have moved here in more recent years.	4/26/2018 12:15 PM
56	Lacking	4/26/2018 12:05 PM
57	not much	4/26/2018 11:56 AM
58	Broken up and non connected. It has a lot of potential, but it's not being utilized.	4/26/2018 11:56 AM
59	Not very developed	4/26/2018 11:56 AM
60	Melting pot	4/26/2018 11:53 AM
61	Vibrant, changing.	4/26/2018 11:43 AM
62	Fairly insular and homogeneous. Lacking diversity and a community-feel.	4/26/2018 11:43 AM
63	I think the culture is family oriented and seems to be promoting an artistic culture as well, which it great.	4/26/2018 11:40 AM
64	Lacking. That is the perspective of this childless mid-40's professional who wishes there were more (non-franchise, non-diner) dining options and music venues in town. That said, the MAG is a beacon of hope.	4/26/2018 11:39 AM
65	A tight knit community with all areas of class 1st , 2nd , 3rd.	4/26/2018 11:17 AM
66	Bedroom community	4/26/2018 10:44 AM

Q2 In your opinion, which of these terms best describes Milton?

Answered: 71 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Rural	11.27%	8
Semi-rural	70.42%	50
Sub-urban	18.31%	13
Urban	0.00%	0
TOTAL		71

Q3 What events and/or traditions in Milton are an important part in defining Milton's character?

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1	4th of July celebrations. Tree lighting could be if used a bigger tree and had some sort of celebration along with it	4/30/2018 1:43 PM
2	Community events (4th of July celebrations, sports celebrations, x-mas celebrations). I think these events have gotten more popular over time and will continue to do so with continued support from the town.	4/30/2018 9:01 AM
3	Rural feel	4/30/2018 8:58 AM
4	Community events and programs	4/30/2018 8:21 AM
5	Winter carnival, tree lighting, green up day, community dinners, farmers market	4/29/2018 5:44 PM
6	Don't know if I could cite any events I would deem traditional. Events such as the Fourth of July celebration come to mind however many towns celebrate the fourth. Would mention many of the seasonal activities at Bombardier park.	4/29/2018 10:03 AM
7	Winter festival	4/28/2018 7:17 AM
8	July 4th events	4/27/2018 10:30 PM
9	Fireworks, band concerts, firemans bbq,	4/27/2018 9:02 PM
10	v	4/27/2018 4:08 PM
11	4th of July parade Tree of remembrance at Christmas as well as the tree lighting	4/27/2018 10:34 AM
12	Community events such as the 4th of July Parade & fireworks and National Night Out that help bring community members together.	4/27/2018 10:03 AM
13	Parade, fireworks,car show	4/27/2018 9:46 AM
14	4th of July events, Love the events put on by the library and rec dept.	4/27/2018 8:56 AM
15	Memorial Day events, July 4th parade, High School Sports	4/27/2018 8:45 AM
16	Tree lighting, school plays and events at the schools, memorial day celebration, Fourth of July parade and festivities	4/27/2018 8:31 AM
17	Library and school events. National night out. Fireworks. 4th July parade.	4/27/2018 5:54 AM
18	The 4th of July festivities are well done. The farmer's market needs improvement but has the potential to be a place for community to gather. A decent restaurant would be welcome along with a good coffee shop.	4/26/2018 10:37 PM
19	Memorial Day Service, Fourth of July Parade, School Activities.	4/26/2018 9:52 PM
20	4th of July Celebration Green Up Day	4/26/2018 9:43 PM
21	Community level events.	4/26/2018 9:41 PM
22	Milton has no traditions and the only events that people think are worth their attention are racing, guns, and fire trucks. Not too concerned about schools, climate change, jobs, etc.	4/26/2018 9:18 PM
23	The fourth of July celebration and parade are one of my favorite events....so many people are involved and come out for the event.	4/26/2018 8:42 PM
24	Not sure, sports games and winter fest	4/26/2018 8:19 PM
25	4th of July, Games at Bombardiar Park and at the High School.	4/26/2018 7:49 PM
26	Town band, town meeting, parades	4/26/2018 7:47 PM
27	July 4th celebration, music in the park	4/26/2018 7:44 PM

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28	High school events (sports events, theater, music), Food program through the summer, public library events, 4th if july parade bbq and fireworks.	4/26/2018 7:29 PM
29	Winter Fest., Friday night HS football, July 4th parade,	4/26/2018 7:28 PM
30	4th of July parade and activities, dinners and other activities the town puts on that make us unique	4/26/2018 7:23 PM
31	Maintaining local farms.	4/26/2018 7:16 PM
32	All the family events the town puts on.	4/26/2018 6:53 PM
33	4th of July parade	4/26/2018 6:48 PM
34	arts, literary pursuits, local newspaper, community dinners, historical society, Green-Up Day	4/26/2018 6:43 PM
35	?	4/26/2018 6:32 PM
36	July 4th parade and fireworks Flags along route 7 in the summer	4/26/2018 6:27 PM
37	4th of July parade/fireworks, rec sports, Christmas tree lighting. Many of the events at the library	4/26/2018 5:44 PM
38	None at the moment aside form the 4th of July fireworks. Can events and traditions be established? Certainly, get a group together to brainstorm and establish some.	4/26/2018 5:38 PM
39	food shopping, July 4th	4/26/2018 4:59 PM
40	Fourth of July, Flags all summer long, December tree lighting, neighbors helping neighbors, signs asking for help, or announcing community dinners. Independent Newspaper.	4/26/2018 4:38 PM
41	Sports parades, July 4 festivities, Halloween festivities, but the winter festival is not too great. Tree lighting is not too great either. I think this is unfortunate.	4/26/2018 3:25 PM
42	summer outdoor concerts, farmer's market	4/26/2018 3:00 PM
43	Community service minded events	4/26/2018 2:28 PM
44	Winter-fest and a budding Farmers Market. Would like the Farmers Market to be more farm-stand-ish and less crafty. I am hoping this comes with time. The bonfire at Winter-fest was a great way to meet people.	4/26/2018 1:59 PM
45	Endless public forums	4/26/2018 1:35 PM
46	The community events at Bombardier park, just about all of them.	4/26/2018 1:35 PM
47	Farmer's market, tree lighting, community dinners to encourage the sense of community and bring people together	4/26/2018 1:22 PM
48	I do not partake in them so I cannot comment.	4/26/2018 1:14 PM
49	Events that bring families, friends, neighbors, and strangers together to celebrate holidays (July 4th parade and evening activities), various December events, and various gatherings in the park.	4/26/2018 12:43 PM
50	Activities at Bombardier Park, like the Snow Day, Night Out, etc. We are (relatively) new to town and never interacted with Milton until we started attending these Recreation events.	4/26/2018 12:42 PM
51	I would list the various town committees (ie Recreational, public works...), The Milton Library the Millton Historical Society and the July 4th parade as important events or event sponsors.	4/26/2018 12:24 PM
52	Kid's camps, sports , community	4/26/2018 12:20 PM
53	I love the town events and all of the fantastic work of the library.	4/26/2018 12:15 PM
54	Football jamboree	4/26/2018 12:05 PM
55	not aware of any	4/26/2018 11:56 AM
56	School events, like sports, drama productions, parades.	4/26/2018 11:56 AM
57	Not sure	4/26/2018 11:56 AM
58	Annual community events, school events	4/26/2018 11:53 AM
59	Community events	4/26/2018 11:52 AM
60	Celebrating July 4th, making sure flags are up on important occasions.	4/26/2018 11:43 AM
61	I'm not sure	4/26/2018 11:43 AM

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62	Events for children such as the 4th of July parade and fireworks, as well as the Easter Egg hunt and other kids activities.	4/26/2018 11:40 AM
63	I would have to say something associated with the arts, but it's really not clear to me based on the above.	4/26/2018 11:39 AM
64	More town gatherings and fun festivals etc . More trails etc	4/26/2018 11:17 AM
65	4th of July, winter festival, holiday craft show	4/26/2018 10:44 AM
66	4th of July events, winter festival	4/26/2018 10:37 AM

Q4 What values are important to you and your family?

Answered: 66 Skipped: 5

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Safety, farming	4/30/2018 1:43 PM
2	Community, safety, friendliness, activities	4/30/2018 9:01 AM
3	Friendliness	4/30/2018 8:58 AM
4	Helping our community and each other.	4/30/2018 8:21 AM
5	Healthy eating and activity, family friendly, environmentally conscious, welcoming and accepting to all	4/29/2018 5:44 PM
6	We like the small town feel, the relative safeness of the community. Good school system.	4/29/2018 10:03 AM
7	Treat fellow residents in a polite an inclusive manner.	4/28/2018 7:17 AM
8	Access to public land for outdoor recreation	4/27/2018 10:30 PM
9	Community, kindness, honesty, communication	4/27/2018 9:02 PM
10	j	4/27/2018 4:08 PM
11	Safety, quiet, community	4/27/2018 1:31 PM
12	honesty dependability trustworthy	4/27/2018 10:34 AM
13	Good schools and public services.	4/27/2018 10:03 AM
14	community, schools, roads	4/27/2018 9:46 AM
15	Family time is very important. We look for family friendly activities. We like healthy and outdoor options.	4/27/2018 8:56 AM
16	Inclusiveness, the arts-music, drama, and visual. Honesty, Integrity, Education, Kindness and consideration of others	4/27/2018 8:45 AM
17	Togetherness and honesty, being ethical and treating people fairly	4/27/2018 8:31 AM
18	Kindness. Education. Love of nature. Pride in our home.	4/27/2018 5:54 AM
19	Diversity, social justice, environmentalism,	4/26/2018 10:37 PM
20	Judeo Christian values, honesty, integrity, personal responsibility and accountability, family and community relationships	4/26/2018 9:52 PM
21	Education Honesty Generosity Kindness	4/26/2018 9:43 PM
22	Hard work. Self reliance. Being neighborly.	4/26/2018 9:41 PM
23	Education, good jobs, civility, strong standard of living, our cemeteries, and integrity when serving on our public boards along with opportunities for our children, our seniors, and our family health center and the doctors who are here to help us.	4/26/2018 9:18 PM
24	Family, faith, family inclusive events.	4/26/2018 8:42 PM
25	Inclusion, diversity, equity, buying local and sustainable, kindness, education, culture, ecological responsibility.	4/26/2018 8:19 PM
26	Family time, jobs with quality pay for all of working age in the family.	4/26/2018 7:49 PM
27	A quiet place to live that is safe and clean air and water.	4/26/2018 7:47 PM
28	Nature, hunting, hiking, picnics	4/26/2018 7:44 PM
29	Open mindedness, looking out for people who have less than us, access to a good public education, environmentalism, human rights, civil rights for minorities.	4/26/2018 7:29 PM
30	compassionate conservatism, honesty, tolerance, good neighbors	4/26/2018 7:28 PM

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31	Family, trust, traditions	4/26/2018 7:23 PM
32	A local economy, diversity, inclusion, and a strong community. Also, educating on more efficient farming practices. Example would be regenerative agriculture (permaculture).	4/26/2018 7:16 PM
33	Good local community with similar aged kids.	4/26/2018 6:53 PM
34	Conservative	4/26/2018 6:48 PM
35	Good neighboring, fair treatment of all, education, creative living, safe and secure community	4/26/2018 6:43 PM
36	Honesty, integrity, grit, mindfulness	4/26/2018 6:32 PM
37	Treating others fairly Being considerate of others	4/26/2018 6:27 PM
38	Safety in schools (no bullying), education, sense of community (friendly neighborhoods), active lifestyle	4/26/2018 5:44 PM
39	Art, music, nature, outdoors, wildlife.	4/26/2018 5:38 PM
40	honesty, integrity, kindness, compassion	4/26/2018 4:59 PM
41	Bill of Rights, ability to worship God as you wish, helping others in need, being a contributing part of family, community.	4/26/2018 4:38 PM
42	reaching out as a support to others, high moral standards, decency and kindness, togetherness, being united	4/26/2018 3:25 PM
43	honesty, compassion, open-mindedness	4/26/2018 3:00 PM
44	Putting others before self	4/26/2018 2:28 PM
45	Safety, independence, quietness, friendliness... (We live next to a badly behaved neighbor. These qualities are sometimes not easily considered part of our homelife. Hopefully these people will more soon.)	4/26/2018 1:59 PM
46	Property	4/26/2018 1:35 PM
47	Responsibility, Respect and Empathy	4/26/2018 1:35 PM
48	Community, small town values, caring for your neighbors	4/26/2018 1:22 PM
49	Affordable housing, newsletters from library, town, and local government. Having police speak to the kids and reach out to the community to show they are concerned about drugs, risks, and keeping communication open at ground level, not just when something bad happens.	4/26/2018 1:14 PM
50	We value: honesty and transparency in local government, inclusion, tolerance of (all kinds of) differences, cooperation, healthy environment and water supply, undeveloped and wild natural areas, opportunity for diverse activities, aesthetically-pleasing and safe environment, ethical behavior of citizens, organizations, business, municipal employees	4/26/2018 12:43 PM
51	Recreation, sports, health, fitness.	4/26/2018 12:42 PM
52	We appreciate a sense of community.	4/26/2018 12:24 PM
53	Sports, schools, livability, kid's first, community events	4/26/2018 12:20 PM
54	Always growing and seeking knowledge. Accepting differences and always doing what's right. Supporting and taking care of those in need.	4/26/2018 12:15 PM
55	Inclusivity	4/26/2018 12:05 PM
56	respect of others	4/26/2018 11:56 AM
57	Open mindedness. Willingness to let businesses in and embrace all types of people.	4/26/2018 11:56 AM
58	Honesty, reliability, kindness, respect, hard work	4/26/2018 11:56 AM
59	Honesty, hard work, pride	4/26/2018 11:53 AM
60	Outdoor living, community, hard work	4/26/2018 11:52 AM
61	safety, integrity, fairness.	4/26/2018 11:43 AM
62	Respect and neighborliness Inclusion and diversity Stewardship of nature Generosity and support for those in need Open mindedness Hard work, honesty and integrity	4/26/2018 11:43 AM

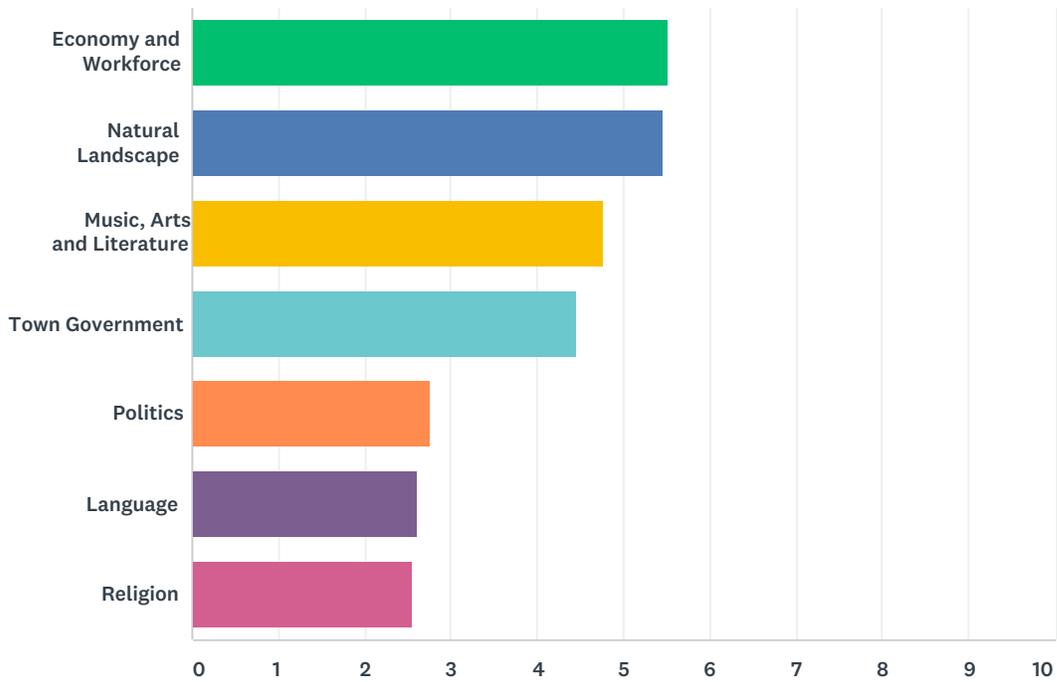
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63	Health, education, safety.	4/26/2018 11:40 AM
64	Respect for nature and neighbors. We are bummed out by youth on ATVs who tear down our road, destroy trails and wetlands.	4/26/2018 11:39 AM
65	A safe clean town.	4/26/2018 11:17 AM
66	Inclusion, kindness	4/26/2018 10:44 AM

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Q5 Rank the following in order of most to least important in helping to shape Milton's culture. 1 is most important; 7 is least important.

Answered: 70 Skipped: 1



	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	SCORE
Economy and Workforce	27.54% 19	30.43% 21	21.74% 15	10.14% 7	7.25% 5	2.90% 2	0.00% 0	69	5.52
Natural Landscape	34.29% 24	25.71% 18	15.71% 11	11.43% 8	5.71% 4	2.86% 2	4.29% 3	70	5.46
Music, Arts and Literature	16.18% 11	22.06% 15	22.06% 15	14.71% 10	14.71% 10	7.35% 5	2.94% 2	68	4.76
Town Government	5.80% 4	17.39% 12	23.19% 16	30.43% 21	17.39% 12	4.35% 3	1.45% 1	69	4.45
Politics	5.71% 4	2.86% 2	4.29% 3	12.86% 9	20.00% 14	32.86% 23	21.43% 15	70	2.77
Language	1.45% 1	0.00% 0	10.14% 7	7.25% 5	26.09% 18	39.13% 27	15.94% 11	69	2.62
Religion	10.00% 7	2.86% 2	4.29% 3	12.86% 9	8.57% 6	8.57% 6	52.86% 37	70	2.56

Q6 What should the future of Milton's culture look like?

Answered: 65 Skipped: 6

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Family friendly events, safe community, bigger farmers market and more support in local farming, walking trails and sidewalks, mom and pop restaurants that last	4/30/2018 1:43 PM
2	Community focused, safety is a priority and welcoming to all.	4/30/2018 9:01 AM
3	More business in outskirts to lower tax rates on residences, no more condos.	4/30/2018 8:58 AM
4	We need more available to the community. Essex / Colchester have more amenities making them more of a real estate destination town. Schooling is better as well.	4/30/2018 8:21 AM
5	Welcoming to all. More diverse. More open to small business.	4/29/2018 5:44 PM
6	Milton should evolve as the diversity of the city changes, no need to make changes that do not reflect the makeup of the community. That being said, as the town develops, we'll develop our culture as well.	4/29/2018 10:03 AM
7	An off leash dog park to preserve natural landscape and foster community friendship.	4/28/2018 7:17 AM
8	A population more engaged in improving the Town (less apathy)	4/27/2018 10:30 PM
9	Diverse and inclusive, with businesses that are inviting to current residents as well as outside communities to help grow Miltons economy.	4/27/2018 9:02 PM
10	A more modern rural community	4/27/2018 1:31 PM
11	One of community spirit and togetherness. Helping neighbors out and acceptance of all.	4/27/2018 10:34 AM
12	Continued good schools and public services but with more businesses in town which help to pay taxes and can provide some jobs.	4/27/2018 10:03 AM
13	We need strong leadership and less turnover. It seems most in town government or the school district use Milton as a quick stop in their careers. Milton has a lot of potential to be a strong community. I like the wide open spaces but want to see development in the core. Work options, businesses, restaurants, entertainment options, shopping options. Better street scale make it initiating not dumpy like it currently is. A town we can be proud of.	4/27/2018 8:56 AM
14	combination of inclusiveness, intergenerational activities, appreciation of all activities-sports, arts, elder, outdoor activities	4/27/2018 8:45 AM
15	More emphasis on the whole town and not just the core: inclusiveness for all	4/27/2018 8:31 AM
16	Improve the quality of the school. Maintain affordable housing and natural spaces. Keep crime low.	4/27/2018 5:54 AM
17	More emphasis on arts and music, and it would be nice to have local shops for books, clothing, household items. A village center or downtown area that is walkable. More sidewalks!!	4/26/2018 10:37 PM
18	Conservative, hard-working people that would like to raise their families with traditional values.	4/26/2018 9:52 PM
19	Well educated children Family friendly Safe neighborhoods	4/26/2018 9:43 PM
20	Home grown talent.	4/26/2018 9:41 PM
21	Milton's culture should center around "the common good" ; instead there are many who have their hands in every cookie jar at the expense of common ordinary people--we need to be better than this. We never seem to get ahead because there is not a good balance of professional people to provide the leadership and vision of where we should be going to keep this community healthy and mobilize our residents to sacrifice their own personal gain for the good of Milton.	4/26/2018 9:18 PM
22	Something true to the roots of Milton--NOT something that redefines it. Look at the history.	4/26/2018 8:42 PM
23	Without a definition of culture this is hard to answer.	4/26/2018 8:28 PM
24	Small, locally owned businesses, including actually good restaurants. Great schools. Inclusive, progressive policies that match the other large towns in the state. A place that attracts new businesses because it's attractive, friendly, healthy, and forward thinking.	4/26/2018 8:19 PM

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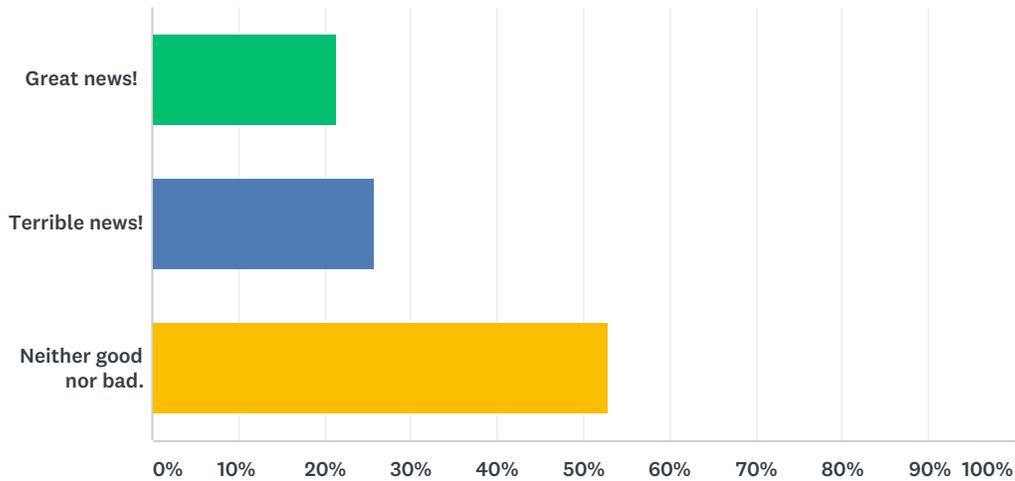
25	Safe place for all to enjoy the outdoors and also indoor locations to come together as a community.	4/26/2018 7:49 PM
26	Open to all race and religions	4/26/2018 7:47 PM
27	A destination to attract artists and visitors.	4/26/2018 7:44 PM
28	Much more of a focus on positive events and news. Pride in our town is important and we dont seem to have much of that. Education and cultural diversity would be great.	4/26/2018 7:29 PM
29	education, tolerance	4/26/2018 7:28 PM
30	I love living in Milton. I grew up here and am raising my family here	4/26/2018 7:23 PM
31	A community that is quaint and safe. A modern, yet charming downtown, while keeping the local farms intact. Local farm to table restaurants would fit well and serve as a growing local economy using produce from nearby farms.	4/26/2018 7:16 PM
32	More development, future possibilities for my children to stay here when they get older.	4/26/2018 6:53 PM
33	Unsure	4/26/2018 6:48 PM
34	What? This is just an odd request.	4/26/2018 6:43 PM
35	Rich	4/26/2018 6:32 PM
36	Neighborhoods where people can live and play.	4/26/2018 6:27 PM
37	???	4/26/2018 5:44 PM
38	Integrative, multicultural, embracing the arts and music, outdoor activities, and for God's and the peace sake, enact a noise ordinance.	4/26/2018 5:38 PM
39	diverse, kind, compassionate, informed, honest, respectful, intelligent	4/26/2018 4:59 PM
40	Honoring the past, and including community in our future.	4/26/2018 4:38 PM
41	The school district should be embraced as a cultural hub and families should participate more in community gatherings to become more familiar with each other. The town should clean up the main drag (Route 7) or have some type of standards for dilapidated buildings, the fencing and weeds along Lake Arrowhead by-way, a drawing point for other communities to want to come here. A little more pride.	4/26/2018 3:25 PM
42	open, inclusive, community oriented, events for everyone, not just families.	4/26/2018 3:00 PM
43	A culture in which those on the fringes of society can find opportunities to better their situation	4/26/2018 2:28 PM
44	I would like to see... a Main Street (Rt 7) event space, i.e. the car show. a town center, rather than sprawl. a park that is welcoming and visible from the main road. people flying kites, sitting for a picnic, listening to an outdoor band.	4/26/2018 1:59 PM
45	We should aspire to have some	4/26/2018 1:35 PM
46	Friendly and well educated.	4/26/2018 1:35 PM
47	Friendly	4/26/2018 1:22 PM
48	To, keep the bedroom community feel, keep on top of sustained development. Work on small enclaves of housing/development, not sprawl. Work on farmers markets, public events and free activities for kids. Concerts?	4/26/2018 1:14 PM
49	open, inclusive, tolerant, diverse	4/26/2018 12:43 PM
50	We are known as an affordable town in Chittenden County for young families to build their homes. We need to focus on ALL families, young and old, who build resources for children to grow.	4/26/2018 12:42 PM
51	welcoming!	4/26/2018 12:24 PM
52	Modern, upbeat, eventful, and variety of restaurants would be a plus	4/26/2018 12:20 PM
53	A fully developed town that supports it's schools, holds town events and is a place that surrounding towns come to for shopping and entertainment.	4/26/2018 12:15 PM
54	Is there culture? A definition of what is meant by culture would be helpful.	4/26/2018 12:05 PM
55	more options from eating out to entertainment	4/26/2018 11:56 AM

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56	More businesses, more diversity and tolerance, it should like a town in Chittenden county, not a rural town that no one goes to. Businesses are too spread out along route 7. There needs to be a downtown and more sidewalks in rural areas like West Milton.	4/26/2018 11:56 AM
57	Diverse	4/26/2018 11:56 AM
58	Inclusive, friendly, aware, progressive	4/26/2018 11:53 AM
59	More art, more events, programs, and restaurants/shops that will continue to bring in new, young residents	4/26/2018 11:52 AM
60	Diverse with many opportunities to learn about other cultures in the community.	4/26/2018 11:43 AM
61	Exemplify inclusion, and respect for our community and environment. Diversity of thought and demographics should be welcomed. A focus on building relationships and opportunities for increased interaction and cooperation should be prioritized.	4/26/2018 11:43 AM
62	Inclusive and diverse.	4/26/2018 11:40 AM
63	More diverse!	4/26/2018 11:39 AM
64	A fun , vibrant town with art and music and professionalism	4/26/2018 11:17 AM
65	More opportunities for teenagers to spend time together	4/26/2018 10:44 AM

Q7 In 1980s, Milton's annual growth rate was at 2.4%. During the past decade, Milton's annual growth rate decreased to 0.8%. How do you view this decline in our growth rate?

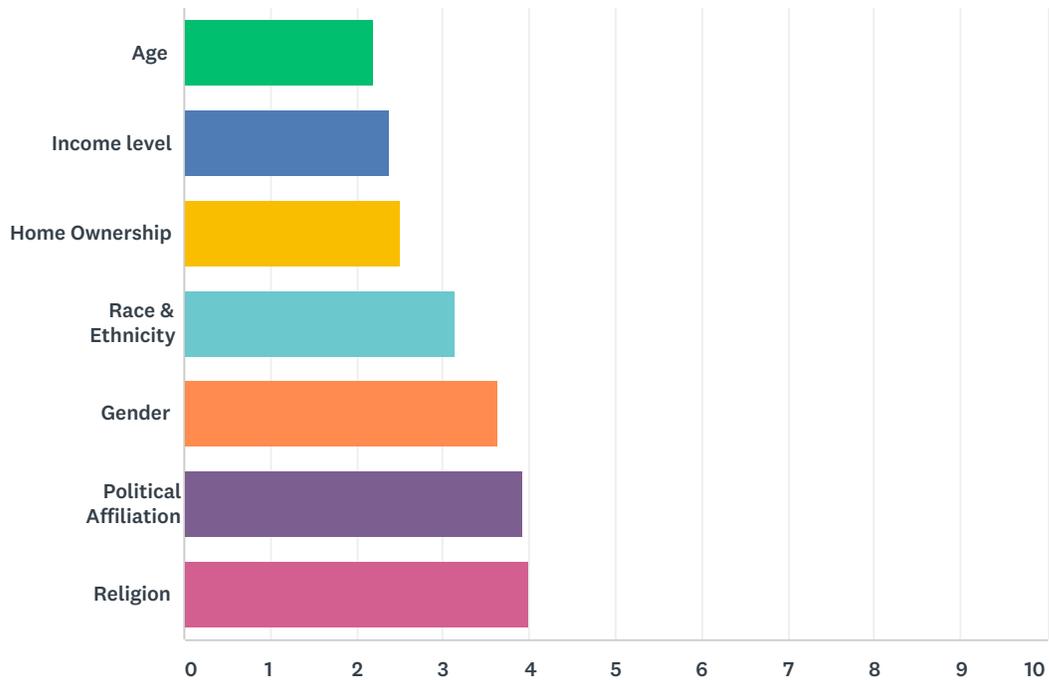
Answered: 70 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great news!	21.43%	15
Terrible news!	25.71%	18
Neither good nor bad.	52.86%	37
TOTAL		70

Q8 How important is it to have information and statistics on the following demographic categories in our Town Plan?

Answered: 71 Skipped: 0



	VERY IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT AT ALL	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Age	28.57% 20	51.43% 36	11.43% 8	8.57% 6	70	2.20
Income level	21.13% 15	52.11% 37	21.13% 15	5.63% 4	71	2.38
Home Ownership	22.54% 16	46.48% 33	19.72% 14	11.27% 8	71	2.51
Race & Ethnicity	22.54% 16	23.94% 17	25.35% 18	28.17% 20	71	3.13
Gender	11.27% 8	21.13% 15	28.17% 20	39.44% 28	71	3.63
Political Affiliation	4.29% 3	21.43% 15	25.71% 18	48.57% 34	70	3.93
Religion	8.45% 6	12.68% 9	29.58% 21	49.30% 35	71	3.99

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Q9 Please provide comments on any of the above (Question 8) demographic categories as they pertain to Milton.

Answered: 40 Skipped: 31

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Cost of living is high for single income households	4/30/2018 1:43 PM
2	Stop looking at demographics and look at people as a whole.	4/30/2018 8:58 AM
3	Needs to be a change up. More than one person running the town, government and local business. Seems to be a lot of conflict of interest.	4/29/2018 5:44 PM
4	I will address the topic in its entirety, basically the town needs to continue to grow and evolve in order to attract younger more affluent families. We will not attract these types of families with what little the town has to offer.	4/29/2018 10:03 AM
5	Income, age and home ownership provide a limited view on the economic vitality of the Town.	4/27/2018 10:30 PM
6	I think keeping younger families in Milton is important to creating a progressive and healthy culture in town and in order to do that the town will need to continue to invest in ways to make the town more appealing to young professionals and families.	4/27/2018 1:31 PM
7	The schools cannot support more housing that is going to bring in more young families. While I want to see growth in town amenities something needs to be done to keep class sizes manageable and learning environment strengthening. I would love to see more business that brings real job options to Milton.	4/27/2018 8:56 AM
8	I would like Milton to be known for tolerance and inclusiveness, preparing young people for productive lives, and dignified treatment of the elderly	4/27/2018 8:45 AM
9	We should be encouraging all races, religions and ages, etc to come to Milton. Lately I'm sure everyone hasn't felt very welcomed.	4/27/2018 8:31 AM
10	I'm new in town, but my guess is that Milton has little diversity much like most of VT. Welcoming refugees might be one way to improve on this. And providing senior housing will be essential. Not sure how gender affects town planning?	4/26/2018 10:37 PM
11	No comment	4/26/2018 9:43 PM
12	Less pandering to 'minority groups' the better off we will all be. Less economic welfare deadbeats we will also be better off.	4/26/2018 9:41 PM
13	It would have been nice if there was Transparency surrounding this survey.	4/26/2018 9:18 PM
14	Why would you plan differently if there were people of a certain gender, race, or religion....Wouldn't that be racist? Surely that's not the culture you are trying to clarify, is it?	4/26/2018 8:28 PM
15	If Milton wants to grow and thrive (ie less trailer parks and more young professional families coming and boosting the local economy) some big changes have to be made. Milton has a bad reputation around the state. For being conservative and (to put it nicely) lower socioeconomic class. Much of this is simply untrue but the reputation is a hard one to reverse. Welcoming new families and businesses is important. Investing in the schools. Find something Milton can offer that other towns can't and make sure everyone knows about it. Deal with racism head on, as a town. Town leadership needs to be involved. Welcome gay couples (several have reportedly left bc they felt threatened here).	4/26/2018 8:19 PM
16	Age is important so we are focusing attention to the right people. Home ownership will tell you those that need support services to maintain those homes, renters do not tend to make home improvements. I personally do not need to know the other facts about our residence.	4/26/2018 7:49 PM
17	It seems like some of the loudest voices in Milton are conservative white men. The rest of us need to be heard by our government as well.	4/26/2018 7:29 PM
18	No comments.	4/26/2018 7:16 PM
19	Na	4/26/2018 6:48 PM

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20	If there is planning FOR any of these, then there is planning AGAINST others. I think exclusivity is the bane of social existence.	4/26/2018 6:43 PM
21	As long as their income is better for Milton taxes, who cares what religion they practice? You do yours and don't be bothered by mine.	4/26/2018 6:32 PM
22	I answered somewhat important to several categories only because you want to make sure your town plans align with your people's interests but you also want to make sure you are able to provide attractions that help to grow and diversify your town.	4/26/2018 5:44 PM
23	This information can and should be used to improve the cultural environment.	4/26/2018 5:38 PM
24	We should be aware of our self experience, and welcome others with different experiences. Toward the goal of being Town Citizens, proud of our Town, and able to live as we wish.	4/26/2018 4:38 PM
25	Knowing the average age shows new young families moving to the community, knowing homeowner status can help track why people are moving here. Is it because its cheap or a lovely neighborhood with well functioning school district?	4/26/2018 3:25 PM
26	The more people consider Milton their home, the better it will be. We seem like a series of connected spaces rather than one unified town. We might want to find ways to use our natural resources (lake frontage, open spaces) more invitingly for the public. The town woods is unattached and underused. The lake access it almost nonexistent. The sidewalks aren't inviting. The library staff are friendly only to the regulars. I have got to say the town police and the road crew are the best I have ever had the pleasure of knowing! Thank you for asking and having us participate in your survey. I would love to see the results published in the town paper.	4/26/2018 1:59 PM
27	Demographics are meaningless	4/26/2018 1:35 PM
28	It's important to have a diverse community in all areas: race, religion, age, sexes, income, etc.	4/26/2018 1:22 PM
29	I see no reason to track gender. On race my it may assist the police in their work with race bias and religion I see as having no bearing on the community, as long as members can worship as they wish.	4/26/2018 1:14 PM
30	Home ownership is ranked as important because it represents citizens who are directly paying property taxes. Availability of rental units is important, but in balance with home ownership.	4/26/2018 12:43 PM
31	How will this information be used? I come from a marketing background. i want to know what resources our town has and how they are being used. We need to create unity on a shared vision no matter what the background; a strong communication plan can achieve that.	4/26/2018 12:42 PM
32	I'm less interested in potential demographic differences and more interested in how to be a welcoming community. How can we unite?	4/26/2018 12:24 PM
33	We seem to have a "take back Vermont" element that is resistant to some of those categories. The presence of confederate flags in this town (recent!) is greatly disturbing.	4/26/2018 12:15 PM
34	There's an implicit bias in the questions that the categories do matter and some matter more than others.	4/26/2018 12:05 PM
35	none	4/26/2018 11:56 AM
36	More jobs and businesses need to come in order to keep young people in town or they will just keep leaving.	4/26/2018 11:56 AM
37	N/A	4/26/2018 11:56 AM
38	I support collecting this information in the aggregate to identify and plan for trends.	4/26/2018 11:53 AM
39	We need to find a way to keep younger people in the community. As a community ages there are more pressures put on services, such as EMS.	4/26/2018 11:43 AM
40	N/A	4/26/2018 11:17 AM