

# Appendix E: Brooklyn Results

## Borough Based SNA Analysis

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# Introduction

In July 2025, the NYC Department for the Aging (NYC Aging) released The State of Older New Yorkers, a report on the findings from the Service Needs Assessment (SNA). The SNA garnered 8,600 responses from older New Yorkers and caregivers across the city. For information on background, methods, and any additional findings, please see the 2025 State of Older New Yorkers.

**1,598 older adults in Brooklyn took the Service Needs Assessment, which represents a weighted percent of 29.2% of the older adult population in New York City.**

**Below you will find a narrative concerning the top priorities/needs for older adults within Brooklyn:**

## **Affordability:**

- More than 40% have trouble paying at least one bill
- 29.5% have unstable housing (which includes those who are currently unhoused or fearful of losing current housing)
- Almost 32% are food insecure (which provides for not having access to enough affordable AND healthy food options)

## **Wellness:**

- Nearly 14% indicate possible anxiety
- Nearly 10% indicate possible depression
- 17% suffer from high levels of loneliness
- Nearly 22% indicate that they are socially isolated

## Elder Justice:

- Nearly 24% indicate experiencing age discrimination
- 8% report having been the victim of a crime
- Nearly 9% report having been the victim of abuse

Below are raw comparisons between Brooklyn and New York City respondents to the Service Needs Assessment. Here we've highlighted percentage differences of greater than 5% between Brooklyn and New York City respondents.

- **Employment:** A higher percentage of older adults in Brooklyn are employed full-time (30.3%) compared to the overall older adult citywide percentage (24.5%); correspondingly, a smaller percentage of older adults in Brooklyn are retired by choice (42.3% vs. 49.0%). (Question 5)
- **Awareness of Aging Services:** A smaller percentage of Brooklyn's older adults reported attending an Older Adult Center (OAC) (39.3% vs. 46.3%), than the citywide average. (Question 28)
- **Elder Justice:** Among those older adults in Brooklyn who experienced elder abuse or crime, a larger percentage did not report the incident to the police (63.4%) compared to older adults citywide (51.4%). (Question 34)
- **Health:** A smaller percentage of older adults in Brooklyn received a flu shot in the past year (59.8%) compared to older adults citywide (66.4%). (Question 40) Although the percentage of older adults in Brooklyn who are deaf or have serious hearing issues is similar to the citywide rate, a larger percentage of those in Brooklyn report wearing hearing aids (52.2%) compared to older adults citywide (43.7%). (Question 44)

## Brooklyn Data Tables

The following tables show the raw number of responses for questions in the Service Needs Assessment from older adults (age 60+) who reported living in Brooklyn. For most questions, the percentages are weighted to better reflect the overall population; for Questions 9 – 13, the tables show unweighted percentages for caregivers of all ages.

In some cases, response options were modified from the original survey for analysis (see individual questions below for more details).

Where question responses had fewer than 30 responses, the data is shown in gray and should be interpreted with caution. For more details about how data was weighted, see Appendix A.

**KEY:**

- **Yellow Highlighting:** Where there is at least a 5% difference between the borough and citywide raw data for a specific response, the data is highlighted in yellow to show this percentage difference.
- **Grey font:** Where question responses had fewer than 30 responses, the data is shown in gray and should be interpreted with caution. For more details about how data was weighted, see Appendix A.

**1. Please select the borough where you live.**

	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,598</b>	--	<b>6,720</b>

**2. What is your zip code?**

This data was collected for mapping purposes only and is not included in this report.

**3. What is your age?**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Under 60 years old	--	--	--	--
60 – 64 years old	33.0%	410	28.1%	1,404
65 – 74 years old	42.5%	768	41.8%	3,010
75 – 84 years old	17.9%	341	21.2%	1,763
85 years old and older	6.5%	79	8.9%	543
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,598</b>	--	<b>6,720</b>

#### 4. What is your race/ethnicity? Check all that apply

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Unweighted) <sup>1</sup>	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Unweighted) <sup>2</sup>	N (Unweighted)
American Indian or Alaskan Native	1.5%	24	1.1%	75
Asian	12.0%	191	15.5%	1,043
Black or African American	40.2%	642	26.4%	1,774
Hispanic or Latino	13.8%	221	17.3%	1,161
Middle Eastern or North African	1.0%	16	0.7%	49
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.2%	3	0.2%	12
White or Caucasian	32.7%	522	40.3%	2,709
I identify my race in a different way	2.4%	39	2.6%	171
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,598</b>	--	<b>6,720</b>

## 5. What is your employment status?

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Employed – full time	30.3%	397	24.5%	1,307
Employed – part time	5.3%	103	6.2%	454
Unemployed, seeking work	4.5%	63	4.1%	238
Unable to work and receiving disability benefits	6.6%	87	4.7%	289
Retired – by choice	42.3%	752	49.0%	3,537
Retired – not by choice (e.g., laid off and no longer looking for work, medical issue, disability, accident, or family situation)	11.8%	193	11.6%	823
Student	0.3%	3	0.2%	11
Homemaker	1.1%	26	1.4%	126
<b>Overall</b>				
Unemployed for any reason	64.1%	1214	68.9%	4,465
Employed (part or full time)	35.9%	680	31.1%	2,014
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,598</b>	--	<b>6,720</b>

## 6. What is your annual *individual* income?

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Less than \$15,000	27.4%	143	25.9%	1,550
Greater than or equal to \$15,000 and less than \$30,000	20.4%	347	23.6%	1,525
Greater than or equal to \$30,000 and less than \$60,000	19.6%	344	21.2%	1,470
Greater than or equal to \$60,000 and less than \$100,000	21.3%	297	18.6%	1,113
Greater than or equal to \$100,000	11.4%	375	10.7%	581
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,506</b>	--	<b>6,239</b>

## 7. What is your sexual orientation?

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Straight or heterosexual	86.8%	1,368	91.6%	5,605
Gay or lesbian	5.0%	46	5.9%	245
Bisexual	0.4%	5	0.8%	47
My sexual orientation is not listed	0.9%	19	1.3%	86
Not sure / questioning	0.7%	9	0.3%	21
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,447</b>	--	<b>6,004</b>

### 8. What is your current gender identity? <sup>3</sup>

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Female / Woman	77.9%	1,245	56.8%	5,130
Male / Man	22.1%	353	43.2%	1,590
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,598</b>	--	<b>6,720</b>

### 9. Are you currently a caregiver for a family member, friend, neighbor (providing financial, physical, emotional support)? Check all that apply.

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Unweighted) <sup>4</sup>	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Unweighted) <sup>5</sup>	N (Unweighted)
Yes, I care for an older family member, friend, or neighbor	38.8%	495	39.2%	1,883
Yes, I care for an adult with disabilities	13.8%	176	13.9%	669
Yes, I care for an older adult with Alzheimer's Disease or related dementia	11.8%	151	11.1%	535
Yes, I am the caregiver of a minor	9.8%	125	8.7%	417
Yes, I help care for a minor but I am not the primary caregiver	7.3%	93	6.5%	313
Yes, I care for someone else, not listed	4.8%	61	5.7%	276
No	31.2%	398	32.0%	1,536
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,276</b>	--	<b>4,799</b>

**10. Do you often spend time assisting others with any of the following activities? Check all that apply.**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Unweighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Unweighted)	N (Unweighted)
Administering medication	27.0%	345	25.6%	1,230
Childcare	17.7%	226	14.7%	707
Helping to maintain their religious practices, hobbies, or other interests	23.4%	299	22.3%	1,071
Home maintenance or repairs	30.8%	393	30.3%	1,456
Household chores	52.4%	668	51.7%	2,480
Language translation	18.2%	232	17.8%	855
Lawn care/snow removal	12.0%	153	10.9%	524
Managing personal care (for example, bathing, dressing, or feeding)	22.9%	292	22.4%	1,076
Managing their finances	33.6%	429	32.8%	1,575
Meal preparation/cooking	41.5%	530	40.7%	1,951
Pet care	12.4%	158	12.5%	598
Providing help in emergency situations	45.2%	577	44.6%	2,139
Scheduling appointments	40.9%	522	38.4%	1,842
Shopping (including groceries, toiletries, clothing, and other necessities)	50.7%	647	49.8%	2,390
Transportation	35.7%	455	34.9%	1,677
Utilizing technology, electronics, and/or other communication	36.4%	464	37.0%	1,777
Other	3.9%	50	6.2%	301
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,276</b>	--	<b>4,799</b>

**11. Who do you provide assistance to? Check all that apply.**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Unweighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Unweighted)	N (Unweighted)
Older family member	56.3%	718	53.2%	2,555
Family member who is under the age of 18	15.4%	197	14.2%	680
Friend	17.4%	222	18.5%	888
Neighbor	14.0%	179	15.0%	721
Community member	9.4%	120	9.0%	430
Coworker	2.4%	31	2.0%	97
Other	6.2%	79	11.8%	562
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,276</b>	--	<b>4,799</b>

**12. On average, how often do you provide assistance?**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Unweighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Unweighted)	N (Unweighted)
More than 30 hours per week	26.4%	275	25.0%	979
15 – 30 hours per week	18.3%	191	18.2%	712
7 – 14 hours per week	23.7%	247	23.1%	902
Less than 7 hours per week	31.6%	329	33.7%	1,319
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,042</b>	--	<b>3,912</b>

**13. How much do you estimate that it costs you per month to provide care, estimating both direct costs and costs as a result of loss in wages?**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Unweighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Unweighted)	N (Unweighted)
It doesn't cost me anything	19.2%	186	20.2%	718
Under \$100 per month	12.5%	121	12.9%	459
\$100 - \$499 per month	21.6%	209	23.6%	837
\$500 - \$999 per month	10.6%	103	10.2%	363
\$1000 and over per month	11.3%	109	10.9%	386
I can't estimate	24.8%	240	22.1%	783
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>968</b>	--	<b>3,546</b>

**14. Do you speak with family members, friends, or members of your community as often as you would like to?**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Yes	78.4%	1,234	77.9%	5,101
No	21.6%	66	22.1%	1,367
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,532</b>	--	<b>6,468</b>

**15. How often do you speak with family members, friends, or members of your community?**

	Brooklyn		New York City	
Answer Choice	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Daily	63.3%	1,014	61.3%	4,049
Weekly	23.7%	366	26.4%	1,740
Monthly	7.1%	85	6.4%	398
Every few months	2.5%	42	3.2%	182
Once a year	0.7%	8	0.7%	35
Never	1.73%	21	1.9%	94
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,536</b>	--	<b>6,498</b>

**16. Do you currently engage in volunteer work in your community?**

	Brooklyn		New York City	
Answer Choice	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Yes, I am currently engaged in volunteer work	30.0%	507	26.5%	1,864
No, but I would like to engage in volunteer work	31.0%	458	30.0%	1,878
No, and I have no interest in engaging in volunteer work	39.0%	539	43.4%	2,591
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,504</b>	--	<b>6,333</b>

**17. Do you have internet access in your home?**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Yes	88.0%	1,356	88.0%	5,726
No	11.0%	168	11.1%	707
I don't know	0.9%	13	0.9%	67
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,537</b>	--	<b>6,500</b>

**18. Why do you not have internet access in your home? Select all that apply.**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Cannot afford internet	37.6%	61	41.7%	298
I do not want or need internet <sup>6</sup>	22.3%	47	20.4%	156
I don't know how to obtain internet	16.2%	25	13.2%	100
I am not sure what it is or how to use it <sup>7</sup>	4.6%	7	6.8%	53
Internet connection is not available or reliable in my area	1.3%	6	1.8%	20
Other	3.4%	10	6.4%	52
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>181</b>	--	<b>774</b>

**19. Do you own and use a computer or tablet?**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
I have a computer/tablet and use it	70.3%	1,095	66.7%	4,548
I don't have a computer/tablet	20.3%	289	21.5%	1,286
I have a computer/tablet, but I do not know how to use it or choose not to use it	9.5%	152	9.0%	624
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,536</b>	--	<b>6,458</b>

**20. Why don't you own and/or use a tablet? Select all that apply.**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Cannot afford a computer/tablet	35.6%	132	31.3%	523
I need someone to set it up for me and to teach me how to use it <sup>8</sup>	27.1%	122	25.4%	520
I do not want or see the need for a computer/tablet <sup>9</sup>	20.4	95	21.0%	408
Internet service is not available or reliable in my area	1.6%	9	2.4%	42
I can't travel to purchase a computer/tablet	1.5%	8	1.8%	40
Other	3.7%	13	4.3%	97
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>441</b>	--	<b>1,910</b>

**21. Which of the following best describes your housing situation? Please check all that apply.<sup>10</sup>**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
I have reliable housing	66.2%	1127	69.2%	4,764
I currently have housing, but I am worried that might change in the future	20.2%	303	19.3%	1,270
I do not have housing, but I stay with family, friends, neighbors, or others	4.6%	60	4.5%	270
I am currently unhoused/homeless	2.4%	18	1.4%	62
I currently am staying in a shelter or motel	1.8%	15	1.3%	56
<b>Overall</b>				
Unstable housing ( <i>ANY response EXCEPT "I have reliable housing"</i> )	29.5%	534	26.7%	1,551
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,598</b>	--	<b>6,720</b>

**22. Which, if any, of the following reasons impact your ability to access and use as intended any of the rooms or spaces in your home environment? Please select all that apply.**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Too much clutter	10.6%	171	10.5%	696
No safety/grab bars where I need them	7.2%	113	7.3%	533
Counters/cabinets are too high or low for me to use safely	6.6%	99	6.2%	458
Spaces in my home environment are not wheelchair accessible	5.8%	85	5.7%	383
Lack of a working air conditioner	6.5%	100	5.5%	357
No working elevator in my building	3.6%	45	3.6%	217
Lack of clear pathways to navigate (inside and/or outside)	4.2%	58	3.5%	220
Poor lighting	3.1%	48	3.2%	219
Slippery or uneven floor surfaces	3.0%	43	2.7%	181
Lack of heat	3.0%	48	2.5%	170
Other	7.7%	96	6.0%	366
<b>Overall</b>				
Accessibility issues in one's home (at least one accessibility issue listed above)	32.8%	644	30.4%	2,029
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,598</b>	--	<b>6,720</b>

**23. Do you have a plan in place in case of an emergency (for example, a blackout in your area or flooding)?**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Yes	40.8%	639	43.6%	2,755
No	46.4%	649	43.7%	2,653
I don't know	12.8%	200	12.6%	884
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,488</b>	--	<b>6,292</b>

**24. Do you have any trouble paying for any of the following? Please select all that apply.**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Rent, mortgage	17.2%	247	16.3%	1,014
Food	14.0%	206	15.2%	943
Credit card bills	15.4%	230	14.9%	943
Utilities	14.2%	220	13.6%	879
Medication	9.4%	142	11.5%	712
Medical appointments	7.1%	113	9.7%	631
Other	4.2%	53	6.1%	421
<b>Overall</b>				
Trouble paying at least one bill	40.2%	789	41.2%	2,689
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,598</b>	--	<b>6,720</b>

**25. Are there stores in your community where you can purchase healthy food?**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Yes, I can purchase healthy food in my community	68.0%	1,045	69.5%	4,408
Yes, but the options in the stores are too expensive for me to purchase healthy food	18.2%	241	17.6%	1,080
Yes, but the stores have limited options	7.9%	117	7.6%	473
No, there is not a store in my community that I can easily travel to for healthy food.	6.0%	84	5.2%	341
<b>Overall</b>				
Food insecure ( <i>includes all, options EXCEPT “Yes I can purchase healthy food”</i> )	32.0%	579	30.5%	1,894
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,487</b>	--	<b>6,302</b>

**26. Which of the following services have you heard of before? Check all that apply.**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Adult Day Care (i.e., social programs for impaired older adults) <sup>11</sup>	55.3%	909	52.4%	3,568
Assistance with home maintenance and home repairs	19.7%	316	22.7%	1,485
Bill payer assistance (i.e., help and organization of bill payment via personal account manager) <sup>12</sup>	16.5%	231	18.2%	1,109
Crime victim services	25.6%	431	25.5%	1,806
Employment opportunities	26.1%	403	26.1%	1,703
Health insurance assistance	36.0%	569	38.0%	2,480
Help with obtaining benefits or entitlements, such as Medicaid or SNAP	37.1%	626	42.5%	2,921
Homecare / Housekeeping	35.0%	539	37.6%	2,492
Home-delivered meals / meals on wheels	45.2%	755	50.5%	3,527
Information services through NY Connects or Aging Connect	19.8%	322	20.7%	1,374
Legal assistance	25.5%	400	27.2%	1,828
Mental health services (e.g., counseling)	30.2%	471	31.3%	2,091
Rent control assistance	23.0%	359	26.5%	1,693
Senior center (older adult center)	55.6%	951	59.9%	4,254
Service for caregivers (e.g., support groups, counseling, respite care, financial assistance)	19.5%	302	23.3%	1,521
Technology classes / individual support for technology	22.8%	396	29.0%	2,057

Transportation services (not Access-A-Ride)	26.6%	408	30.4%	2,004
Volunteer Opportunities	23.1%	383	25.0%	1,728
Other	2.1%	30	3.8%	203
<b>Overall</b>				
I have heard of at least one service	81.5%	1,303	80.6%	5,587
I have not heard of any of these services	18.5%	295	19.4%	1,133
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,598</b>	--	<b>6,720</b>

**27. Which of the following services do you need, but don't currently receive? Check all that apply.<sup>13</sup>**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Adult Day Care (i.e., social programs for impaired older adults) <sup>14</sup>	7.9%	92	8.4%	430
Assistance with home maintenance and home repairs	15.9%	269	18.2%	1,236
Bill payer assistance (i.e., help and organization of bill payment via personal account manager) <sup>15</sup>	7.6%	104	9.3%	518
Crime victim services	3.6%	43	5.1%	256
Employment opportunities	8.8%	116	9.5%	535
Health insurance assistance	8.8%	117	9.3%	529
Help with obtaining benefits or entitlements, such as Medicaid or SNAP	9.1%	139	12.0%	715
Homecare / Housekeeping	11.4%	195	14.7%	979
Home-delivered meals / meals on wheels	6.5%	91	9.3%	540

Information services through NY Connects or Aging Connect	12.2%	194	12.8%	834
Legal assistance	11.6%	154	12.5%	756
Mental health services (e.g., counseling)	5.7%	92	8.6%	516
Rent control assistance	11.7%	153	10.9%	646
Senior center (older adult center)	9.6%	141	11.0%	642
Service for caregivers (e.g., support groups, counseling, respite care, financial assistance)	6.8%	100	8.6%	510
Technology classes / individual support for technology	10.1%	159	9.5%	674
Transportation services (not Access-A-Ride)	12.7%	217	12.8%	941
Volunteer opportunities	7.8%	118	6.5%	433
Other	1.1%	15	2.2%	153
<b>Overall</b>				
I need at least one of these services	47.2%	765	49.3%	3,357
I do not need any of these services	52.8%	833	50.7%	3,363
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,598</b>	--	<b>6,720</b>

**28. In the last year, have you been to a senior center or older adult center?**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Yes, I regularly attend	22.4%	414	29.2%	2,068
Yes, but I don't regularly attend	22.4%	262	16.6%	1,139
No	59.7%	756	53.2%	2,933
I don't know	1.59%	17	0.9%	55
<b>Overall</b>				
Yes (includes regularly attend and don't regularly attend)	39.3%	676	46.3%	3,207
No	60.7%	756	53.7%	2,933
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,449</b>	--	<b>6,195</b>

**29. Why don't you regularly attend a senior center or older adult center? Please select all that apply.**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
I feel too young to attend a center	19.0%	154	17.8%	502
I am not familiar with what senior centers (OACs) offer	15.3%	111	16.1%	219
I don't know where one is in my neighborhood	13.7%	93	15.3%	424
The center is not open when I can attend (evenings or weekends)	12.9%	120	13.2%	435
I don't like and/or am not interested in the activities	11.5%	86	11.6%	341
I cannot travel to the center	10.5%	81	9.1%	436
I am afraid of getting sick/COVID concerns	4.7%	41	6.6%	262
I can't physically access the center	4.9%	31	6.0%	178

Food-related reasons <sup>16</sup>	3.5%	32	4.3%	150
I do not travel to the center because of crime in my neighborhood	1.6%	16	2.5%	79
No one speaks my language at the center	0.9%	7	1.9%	46
The members at the center are not friendly/don't like them	1.8%	14	1.9%	61
Other	4.4%	35	9.1%	306
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>756</b>	--	<b>2,933</b>

**30. Have you ever been impacted by discrimination because of your age in any of the following categories? Check all that apply.**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Workplace discrimination (e.g., passed over for promotions or jobs because of your age)	12.1%	181	11.9%	787
Interpersonal discrimination (e.g., people using demeaning phrases or ageist stereotypes or jokes)	13.9%	217	12.3%	854
Other	2.2%	25	2.9%	208
<b>Overall</b>				
Has experienced some type of discrimination (includes any of the discrimination choices above)	23.9%	469	21.7%	1,460
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,598</b>	--	<b>6,720</b>

**31. Are you currently worried that someone you live with or spend a lot of time with may hurt you, mistreat you, or may steal money or property from you?**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Yes	4.3%	47	3.2%	173
No	91.7%	1,304	92.6%	5,607
I don't know	4.1%	70	4.2%	263
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,421</b>	--	<b>6,043</b>

**32. Do you feel emotionally and/or physically unsafe at home?**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Yes	8.9%	96	7.8%	434
No	86.2%	1,248	88.4%	5,405
I don't know	4.9%	75	3.7%	242
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,419</b>	--	<b>6,081</b>

**\*Combined Question: Overall, the respondent has been a victim of abuse (answers yes to either questions 31 or 32)**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Yes	8.9%	115	8.1%	511
No	91.1%	1,483	91.9%	6,209
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,598</b>	--	<b>6,720</b>

**33. Since you turned 60 years of age, have you been the victim of a crime committed by a stranger or somebody you do not know very well?**

	Brooklyn		New York City	
Answer Choice	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Yes	8.1%	116	9.7%	575
No	89.2%	1,276	87.5%	5,369
I don't know	2.7%	35	2.8%	158
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,427</b>	--	<b>6,102</b>

**34. Did you report your experience of elder crime or abuse to the police?**

	Brooklyn		New York City	
Answer Choice	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Yes	34.7%	55	45.8%	314
No	63.4%	132	51.4%	356
I don't know	1.9%	6	2.9%	19
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>193</b>	--	<b>689</b>

**35. Please tell us a little about your experience reporting elder crime or abuse to the police. Select all that apply**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Nothing happened	37.1%	21	38.1%	116
The police were helpful	20.0%	15	34.5%	112
I heard back from the police	20.7%	10	28.4%	85
The incident was resolved to my satisfaction	16.2%	8	14.1%	47
I was referred to another organization for help	12.1%	5	11.6%	34
I don't know	6.2%	4	7.1%	20
Other	7.6%	5	7.6%	18
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>55</b>	--	<b>314</b>

**36. Why didn't you report your experience of elder crime or abuse to the police? Select all that apply.**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
I didn't think they would help	28.2%	34	38.3%	141
I don't feel comfortable going to the police	13.8%	18	14.3%	59
I didn't know that I could report it to them	10.4%	10	12.5%	46
I didn't want to get my family member in trouble	11.3%	7	12.1%	37
I tried to work it out with the individual first	8.4%	9	10.7%	42
I was referred to another agency for help	3.6%	5	3.5%	13
Other	12.8%	9	14.7%	55
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>132</b>	--	<b>375</b>

**37. Are you currently receiving help from a family member, friend, neighbor for any of the following? Please check all that apply.**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Household chores	13.4%	152	14.0%	705
Shopping (including groceries, toiletries, clothing, and other necessities)	11.9%	142	13.5%	723
Meal preparation/cooking	9.4%	111	10.7%	523
Receiving help in emergency situations	9.8%	121	10.7%	567
Transportation	9.6%	114	10.7%	547
Utilizing technology, electronics, and/or other communication	9.2%	108	9.1%	504
Home maintenance or repairs	7.4%	97	8.7%	464
Scheduling appointments		67	7.4%	357
Managing your finances	7.2%	73	6.7%	329
Administering medication	4.7%	46	4.9%	228
Managing personal care (for example, bathing, dressing, or feeding)	5.8%	56	4.8%	251
Language translation	4.6%	56	4.7%	238
Lawn care/snow removal	3.2%	52	4.1%	236
Helping to maintain their religious practices, hobbies, or other interests	3.7%	43	3.7%	3.7
Pet care	3.6%	40	2.4%	124
Childcare	1.1%	12	0.7%	31
Other	3.3%	44	4.3%	209
<b>Overall</b>				
Receiving help for something	34.0%	405	35.8%	1,885
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,171</b>	--	<b>5,055</b>

**38. In the last year, have you seen a health care provider?**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Yes	92.4%	1,085	93.5%	4,709
No	6.7%	65	5.8%	267
I don't know	0.9%	7	0.7%	30
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,157</b>	--	<b>5,006</b>

**39. Why have you not seen a health care provider in the last year? Select all that apply.**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
No need	33.7%	23	29.8%	90
I can't find a medical provider that I like	9.7%	8	12.6%	39
Too expensive	11.9%	8	12.4%	38
Hard to travel for appointments	8.1%	5	7.2%	15
I can't find one that speaks my language	1.7%	1	1.7%	6
Other	10.0%	6	14.3%	28
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>65</b>	--	<b>297</b>

**40. Which of the following screenings or vaccines have you had in the past year? Select all that apply.**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Flu vaccine	59.8%	727	66.4%	3,471
Cancer screenings (e.g., colonoscopy, mammogram)	42.9%	550	42.8%	2,383
Pneumonia vaccine	29.1%	347	32.6%	1,635
Shingles vaccine	25.9%	291	28.7%	1,384
RSV vaccine	17.5%	197	20.6%	1,034
COVID vaccine <sup>17</sup>	13.6%	173	15.3%	865
Other	4.2%	39	7.6%	342
<b>Overall</b>				
Received at least one screening or vaccine	80.7%	976	83.5%	4,302
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,171</b>	--	<b>5,055</b>

**41. Why have you not received any of the above screenings or vaccines in the past year? Select all that apply.**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
I don't think they will be helpful	11.8%	15	15.9%	104
I don't trust that the doctors or that the vaccines are safe	11.2%	13	9.9%	85
I haven't been to a health care professional in a long time	3.5%	6	3.7%	28
I can't travel to get the screenings or vaccines	4.6%	7	2.5%	20
I don't have insurance that covers the screenings or vaccines	2.1%	4	1.1%	13
I cannot afford the necessary screenings or vaccines	0.8%	1	0.7%	10
Other	6.4%	10	11.7%	94
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>146</b>	--	<b>753</b>

**42. Do any of the following apply to you? Check all that apply.**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
I am deaf or have serious difficulty hearing	7.3%	73	8.9%	403
I am blind or have serious difficulty seeing, even when wearing glasses	3.9%	41	4.4%	219
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,171</b>	--	<b>622</b>

**43. Do you wear hearing aids?**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Yes	52.2%	36	43.7%	212
No	47.8 %	29	41.5%	166
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>73</b>	--	<b>403</b>

**\*Combined Question: Has physical and/or sensory impairment?** (includes individuals with hearing and/or vision impairment (Question 42), and/or has a physical limitation making it difficult to leave the home (Question 44))

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Yes	23.0%	254	27.6%	1,348
No	77.0%	917	72.6%	3,707
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,171</b>	--	<b>5,055</b>

**44. Has any of the following limited your ability to go places out of your home? Please check all that apply.**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Physical limitations making it difficult to get around	16.6%	183	20.1%	979
Concerns of falling	13.3%	143	15.3%	776
Fear of crime	12.6%	159	14.1%	747
Lack of transportation in my neighborhood	3.7%	48	4.7%	248
Other	2.4%	20	3.4%	184
<b>Overall</b>				
Barriers leaving the home ( <i>at least one barrier in leaving the home</i> )	32.0%	379	36.5%	1,875
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,171</b>	--	<b>5,055</b>

**45. If you are sexually active, do you use safe practices to prevent sexually transmitted disease (for example, use of a condom)?** *Many people were confused by this question and may have responded incorrectly or inconsistently to the answer choices; therefore, these findings have been omitted from the results.*

**46. In a typical week, how often do you feel lonely?**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Rarely or none of the time (less than 1 day)	63.9%	736	61.0%	2,926
Some or little of the time (1 – 2 days)	19.2%	197	22.0%	1,050
Occasionally or a moderate amount of the time (3 – 4 days)	11.6%	120	11.9%	562
All of the time (5 – 7 days)	5.4%	54	5.1%	234

<b>Overall</b>				
High Level of Loneliness (all of the time or moderate)	16.9%	174	17.0%	796
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,171</b>	--	<b>4,431</b>

**47. Over the last 2 weeks, how often have you been bothered by the following problems? Please check the option that best corresponds to your answers below.**

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
<b>Feeling nervous, anxious, or on edge</b>			--	--
Not at all	62.4%	685	61.9%	2,838
Several days	25.5%	271	25.8%	1,223
More than half the days	6.2%	61	6.7%	296
Nearly every day	5.9%	54	5.6%	263
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,071</b>	--	<b>4,620</b>
<b>Not being able to stop or control worrying</b>			--	--
Not at all	67.1%	712	65.9%	2,985
Several days	21.0%	226	22.6%	1,031
More than half the days	6.1%	63	6.2%	278
Nearly every day	5.9%	48	5.3%	230
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,049</b>	--	<b>4,524</b>
<b>Possible anxiety</b>	<b>13.6</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>13.5%</b>	<b>613</b>
<b>Little interest or pleasure in doing things</b>			--	--
Not at all	69.01%	760	68.7%	3,153
Several days	21.5%	194	21.5%	911
More than half the days	4.4%	45	5.6%	239

Nearly every day	5.2%	37	4.2%	179
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,036</b>	--	<b>4,482</b>
<b>Feeling down, depressed, or hopeless</b>			--	--
Not at all	70.7%	747	67.3%	3,051
Several days	20.5%	211	22.9%	990
More than half the days	4.8%	40	5.8%	250
Nearly every day	4.0%	33	4.0%	182
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,031</b>	--	<b>4,473</b>
<b>Possible depression</b>	<b>9.6%</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>11.5%</b>	<b>507</b>

#### 48. Have you ever been formally incarcerated?

Answer Choice	Brooklyn		New York City	
	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)	Percent (Weighted)	N (Unweighted)
Yes, in the last year	0.4%	4	0.3%	14
Yes, but not in the last year	3.4%	20	3.0%	89
No	96.2%	1,088	96.7%	4,690
<b>Total N</b>	--	<b>1,112</b>	--	<b>4,793</b>

# Endnotes

1 The multi-select race/ethnicity response categories are reported here as they were listed on the original survey. In order to appropriately weight the data by race/ethnicity in accordance with the U.S. Census data, these variables were combined into the 5-item mutually exclusive race/ethnicity variable used for analysis in the primary report. The 5-item weighted response data is included in Appendix A.

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3 In the original survey, participants could select one of 7 possible gender identity options. Though sex and gender identity are different, we weighted the data by sex in accordance with the U.S. Census data to maximize generalizability. Therefore, all responses except for “Female / Woman” and “Male / Man” were treated as missing data.

4 Due to a lack of reliable demographic data of the citywide population of caregivers, the caregiver data reflected in Questions 9-13 was not weighted.

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6 This response option was expanded to include some of the responses written into the “Other” category. On the original questionnaire, this response item read “I do not want internet.”

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8 The original response options, “I need someone to set it up for me” and “I need someone to teach me how to use it” were combined for analyses, as they both reflect the need for technology training and assistance.

9 The original response options, “I don’t see the need” and “I do not want a computer/tablet” were combined for analyses, as they both reflect a lack of desire for a computer or tablet.

10 Any differences between these results and those reported in Table 3 of the main report are due to the removal of the 1.5% of participants who indicated that they both had and lacked stable, reliable housing.

11 The high proportion of people who indicated they have heard of Adult Day Care, compared to the much smaller percentage of people who use the program, suggests that people may have confused Adult Day Care with other types of aging services (e.g., Older Adult Centers). This finding should therefore be interpreted cautiously.

12 NYC Aging no longer provides this service.

13 Anecdotally, many participants expressed confusion over how to interpret this question and many choose not to complete it. Therefore, these findings should be interpreted cautiously as they likely undercount the true need for services among older adult SNA respondents.

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16 The original response options, “I don’t like the food” and “I have dietary needs where I can’t eat at the center (e.g., diabetic diet)” were combined for analyses, as they both relate to the food served at OACs.

17 The COVID-19 vaccine was not included as an option in the original survey, but enough people wrote it in that we added it as a separate section. However, as we are only reporting the responses from people who took the time to write in the vaccine, this is likely an undercount of the number of older adults who actually received the COVID-19 vaccine in the past year.