2012 City of Hurst Citizen Survey



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1. First, how long have you lived in Hurst? Response Response **Percent** Count Less than 3 months 1.2% 10 3 to 12 months 2.2% 18 1 to 5 years 13.9% 116 6 to 10 years 14.0% 117 More than 10 years 5.7% 48 11 to 20 years 14.0% 117 21 to 30 years 14.6% 122 More than 30 years 24.9% 208 No longer live in Hurst 7 0.8% Do not live in Hurst 8.5% 71 Don't know 0.4% 3 answered question 837

2. What is your Zip Code?

	Response Percent	Response Count
76053	57.6%	479
76054	33.2%	276
Other	9.3%	77
	answered question	832
	skipped question	11

3. How would you describe the Quality of Life in Hurst? Would you say. . .

	Response Percent	Response Count
Excellent	39.0%	326
Good	48.0%	401
Adequate	11.0%	92
Poor	0.6%	5
Don't Know	1.4%	12
	answered question	836
	skipped question	7

4. Do you think the quality of life in Hurst will improve, stay the same, or decline over the next five years?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Improve	41.5%	348
Stay the Same	34.4%	288
Decline	17.5%	147
Don't Know	6.6%	55
	answered question	838
	skipped question	5

5. Which of the following would you say is the most critical issue facing Hurst today? (Select only one)

	Response Percent	Response Count
Redeveloping Older Areas of the City	65.2%	498
Improving City Services	3.1%	24
Increasing Transportation Options	12.6%	96
Increasing Employment Opportunities	6.8%	52
Decreasing Crime	9.0%	69
Don't Know	3.3%	25
	Or some other issue	63
	answered question	764
	skipped question	79

6. Overall, how would you describe the way in which the City is maintained?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Excellent	33.0%	264
Good	53.7%	430
Adequate	12.4%	99
Poor	0.7%	6
Don't Know	0.2%	2
	answered question	801
	skipped question	42

7. Considering all City services, please rate the value of the services you receive versus the City taxes you pay?

	Great Value	Good Value	Adequate Value	Little Value	Don't Know	Rating Average	Response Count
Would you say that the services you receive for the taxes you pay are a	27.6% (218)	41.4% (327)	22.8% (180)	2.8% (22)	5.3% (42)	2.17	789
					answered	question	789
					skipped	question	54

8. For each of the services provided by the City, please rate the service as excellent, good, adequate or poor.

	Excellent	Good	Adequate	Poor	No Opinion	Rating Average	Response Count
Library	54.2% (432)	27.7% (221)	4.9% (39)	0.5% (4)	12.7% (101)	1.90	797
Street Maintenance	26.3% (210)	50.7% (404)	18.1% (144)	3.8% (30)	1.1% (9)	2.03	797
Parks	49.9% (399)	37.8% (302)	7.6% (61)	0.8% (6)	3.9% (31)	1.71	799
Recreational Programs	43.0% (343)	36.6% (292)	8.9% (71)	0.8% (6)	10.7% (85)	1.99	797
Storm Water Drainage	24.6% (195)	46.7% (371)	19.0% (151)	2.9% (23)	6.8% (54)	2.21	794
Police	51.9% (415)	32.5% (260)	9.1% (73)	2.3% (18)	4.3% (34)	1.75	800
Fire	57.2% (455)	29.5% (235)	4.3% (34)	0.5% (4)	8.5% (68)	1.74	796
Emergency Medical Services	48.3% (384)	26.4% (210)	4.5% (36)	0.4% (3)	20.4% (162)	2.18	795
Trash Collection Services	39.3% (312)	40.3% (320)	12.8% (102)	3.0% (24)	4.5% (36)	1.93	794
Recycling Collection Services	39.4% (314)	37.3% (297)	12.8% (102)	4.8% (38)	5.7% (45)	2.00	796
Water Quality	32.8% (262)	43.7% (349)	17.2% (137)	3.8% (30)	2.5% (20)	1.99	798
Water Pressure	31.9% (253)	42.4% (336)	18.3% (145)	4.7% (37)	2.8% (22)	2.04	793
Animal Control	33.5% (266)	37.5% (298)	13.0% (103)	4.8% (38)	11.2% (89)	2.23	794
Sewer Service	29.9% (238)	45.2% (360)	12.9% (103)	1.9% (15)	10.2% (81)	2.17	797
Code Enforcement	18.8% (150)	38.3% (305)	18.9% (151)	11.8% (94)	12.2% (97)	2.60	797

800	answered question	
43	skipped question	

9. Have you used any of the following City services in the past two years?

	Yes	No	Rating Average	Response Count
Library	71.2% (565)	28.8% (228)	1.29	793
Parks	84.8% (674)	15.2% (121)	1.15	795
Recreational Programs	57.7% (455)	42.3% (333)	1.42	788
Fire	10.3% (80)	89.7% (698)	1.90	778
Emergency Medical Services	16.6% (130)	83.4% (651)	1.83	781
		answer	ed question	802
		skippe	ed question	41

10. Do you feel very safe, safe, somewhat safe, or not very safe living in Hurst?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Very Safe	28.4%	227
Safe	49.5%	396
Somewhat Safe	16.3%	130
Not Very Safe	2.4%	19
No Opinion	3.5%	28
	answered question	800
	skipped question	43

11. Do you feel very safe, safe, somewhat safe, or not very safe living in your neighborhood?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Very Safe	31.9%	255
Safe	43.6%	348
Somewhat Safe	16.0%	128
Not Very Safe	3.6%	29
No Opinion	4.9%	39
	answered question	799
	skipped question	44

12. Would you rate Police visibility as excellent, good, fair or poor?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Excellent	27.9%	223
Good	45.7%	365
Fair	19.9%	159
Poor	4.3%	34
No Opinion	2.1%	17
	answered question	798
	skipped question	45

13. Please select the answer which best represents your opinion about natural gas drilling in Hurst:

	Response Percent	Response Count
I am opposed to all natural gas drilling in Hurst.	20.4%	162
I am strongly in favor of gas drilling in Hurst.	14.7%	117
I support gas drilling as long as there are adequate protections and oversight.	57.6%	458
No Opinion	7.3%	58
	answered question	795
	skipped question	48

14. Are your mineral rights currently leased to an oil and gas exploration company?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	39.4%	312
No	42.2%	334
Don't Know	18.3%	145
	answered question	791
	skipped question	52

15. If your mineral rights have not been leased, have you been offered a lease within the last two years?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	42.6%	250
No	33.6%	197
Don't Know	23.9%	140
	answered question	587
	skipped question	256

16. Hurst 101 will be an interactive program that will give participants a behind-the-scenes look at their local government. Elected officials, department heads and other city staff will host unique and informative sessions designed to give citizens an inside view of city government operations.

	Very interested	Somewhat interested	Slightly interested	Not interested	No opinion	Rating Average	Response Count
Please rank:	32.5% (258)	37.3% (296)	15.4% (122)	9.2% (73)	5.5% (44)	2.18	793
					answered	question	793
					skipped	question	50

17. Joint Animal Control Facility Expansion (This will be a joint facility with North Richland Hills as the current facility is overcrowded.)

	1 Low priority	2	3	4	5 High priority	No Opinion	Rating Average	Response Count
Please rank:	10.4% (82)	10.5% (83)	26.9% (212)	24.4% (192)	19.8% (156)	7.9% (62)	3.56	787
answered question								787
skipped question						56		

18. Police and Court Justice Center / Parking Facility for City Hall (Current Police facility is 30 years old, overcrowded conditions and lack of parking.)

	1 Low priority	2	3	4	5 High priority	No Opinion	Rating Average	Response Count
Please rank:	7.6% (60)	10.0% (79)	20.4% (161)	25.7% (203)	32.7% (258)	3.5% (28)	3.77	789
answered question								789
						skipped	question	54

19. Bellaire Area Redevelopment (Final phase of Transforming Hurst Program.)

	1 Low priority	2	3	4	5 High priority	No Opinion	Rating Average	Response Count
Please rank:	4.7% (37)	5.7% (45)	17.0% (134)	30.2% (238)	37.4% (295)	5.1% (40)	4.05	789
answered question							789	
skipped question						54		

20. Pipeline Road Reconstruction (Reconstruction of Pipeline Rd from Precinct to Bellaire Drive, four lanes with a center turn lane and landscaping.)

	1 Low priority	2	3	4	5 High priority	No Opinion	Rating Average	Response Count
Please rank:	6.9% (54)	6.5% (51)	20.2% (159)	30.3% (239)	33.6% (265)	2.5% (20)	3.85	788
answered question								788
						skipped	question	55

21. Do you have access to the Internet from your home or work?						
	Response Percent	Response Count				
Yes at Home	42.0%	330				
Yes at Work	1.3%	10				
Yes at Both	55.5%	436				
No	1.3%	10				
	answered question	786				
	skipped question	57				

22. How often do you access the City's website (www.ci.hurst.tx.us) to get information						
	Response Percent	Response Count				
Daily	5.0%	39				
Weekly	35.7%	280				
Monthly	50.2%	394				
Yearly	5.9%	46				
Never	3.3%	26				
	answered question	785				
	skipped question	58				

23. Do you access the website with a mobile device? (Spartphone, iphone, ipad, etc.)

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	25.0%	195
No	75.0%	584
	answered question	779
	skipped question	64

24. What are your reasons for visiting the Hurst website?

	Response Percent	Response Count
To get information about a City meeting	27.6%	210
To find City facilities	27.9%	212
To use online services	39.0%	297
To get City government information	36.4%	277
To conduct business with the City	13.0%	99
Find events and recreation information	52.0%	396
For job opportunities	20.9%	159
To get business information	9.3%	71
To get crime information	39.4%	300
To submit a request for action	10.1%	77
	answered question	761
	skipped question	82

25. How would you rate the website for ease in finding what you're looking for?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Excellent	17.1%	133
Good	62.1%	484
Fair	16.3%	127
Poor	1.0%	8
No Opinion	3.6%	28
	answered question	780
	skipped question	63

26. What information or subject(s) not currently on the website might be added?

Response Count

101

answered question	101
skipped question	742

27. Where do you get most of your information about the City of Hurst? (Select only one)

	Response Percent	Response Count
Local Newspapers	8.0%	61
Television News	1.2%	9
Public Access Cable Channel	0.1%	1
Word of Mouth	10.9%	83
City Website	37.0%	283
City Magazine	25.5%	195
Fliers Included in Water Bills	8.9%	68
Marquee Signs at City Facilities	1.0%	8
Social Media (Facebook, Twitter)	7.3%	56

764	answered question	
79	skipped question	

Other (please specify)

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28. Is the information you receive about the City of Hurst . . .

	Response Percent	Response Count
Too much	1.0%	8
Enough	63.0%	493
Adequate, but not enough	29.6%	232
Not enough	6.4%	50
	answered question	783
	skipped question	60

29. What form of Internet access do you use at home, dial-up, DSL, cable or satellite?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Dial-up	1.8%	14
Cable	33.9%	261
Satellite	3.9%	30
DSL	55.8%	430
Don't know	4.7%	36
	answered question	771
	skipped question	72

30. Would you like to receive e-mail notifications about City services, meetings, events and publications?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	65.4%	502
No	34.6%	265
	answered question	767
	skipped question	76

31. How often do you visit the City's Facebook page?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Daily	1.8%	14
Weekly	9.8%	77
Monthly	15.8%	124
Yearly	2.6%	20
Never	70.0%	548
	answered question	783
	skipped question	60

32. Have you contacted the City for any issue, question or problem in the last year?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	48.9%	376
No	51.1%	393
	answered question	769
	skipped question	74

33. If yes, what was the purpose of that contact?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Utility Bill (Specify below)	22.0%	74
Water, Wastewater & Streets (Specify below)	32.3%	109
City Council (Specify below)	5.3%	18
City Management (Specify below)	16.6%	56
Animal Control (Specify below)	28.2%	95
Police (Specify below)	30.3%	102
Fire (Specify below)	3.9%	13
	Please specify here	317
	answered question	337
	skipped question	506

34. How would you rate the overall customer service you received?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Excellent	39.4%	211
Good	41.2%	221
Adequate	11.4%	61
Poor	8.0%	43
	answered question	536
	skipped question	307

35. Are you registered to vote?		
	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	96.5%	746
No	3.5%	27
	answered question	773
	skipped question	70

36. Considering City elections only, would you say that you generally vote in most City elections, some City elections, few City elections or no City elections?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Most City elections	48.7%	375
Some City elections	20.8%	160
Few City elections	14.3%	110
No City elections	16.2%	125
	answered question	770
	skipped question	73

37. Do you live in a...?

	Response Percent	Response Count
House/Duplex	91.2%	707
Apartment	4.1%	32
Prefer Not to Answer	4.6%	36
	answered question	775
	skipped question	68

38. Do you own or rent your home?		
	Response Percent	Response Count
Own	87.0%	671
Rent	6.2%	48
Rent Free Situation	0.9%	7
Prefer Not to Answer	5.8%	45
	answered question	771
	skipped question	72

39. Which best describes y	our age category?	
	Response Percent	Response Count
18-25 Years	1.8%	14
26-40 Years	16.0%	124
41-50 Years	20.1%	156
51-65 Years	33.5%	260
66 Years or more	23.9%	185
Prefer Not to Answer	4.6%	36
	answered question	775
	skipped question	68

40. Which of the following I	best describes your ethnicity?		
		Response Percent	Response Count
African American		0.8%	6
Asian		1.6%	12
Caucasian		84.2%	644
Hispanic		4.7%	36
Native American		1.0%	8
Prefer Not to Answer		7.7%	59
		Other (please specify)	13
		answered question	765
		skipped question	78

41. Which of the following best describes your education level?			
	Response Percent	Response Count	
Less than High School	0.4%	3	
Some High School	0.4%	3	
H. S. Diploma/GED	8.9%	69	
Some College	42.6%	330	
Bachelor's Degree	23.1%	179	
Beyond Bachelor's Degree	18.3%	142	
Prefer Not to Answer	6.3%	49	
	answered question	775	
	skipped question	68	

42. Which range best describes your annual household (total) income level?

	Response Percent	Response Count
\$0-\$24,999	4.6%	35
\$25,000-\$49,999	16.1%	124
\$50,000-\$74,999	18.3%	141
\$75,000-\$99,999	13.4%	103
\$100,000 - \$124,999	12.0%	92
\$125,000 - \$149,999	4.8%	37
\$150,000 or more	4.7%	36
Prefer Not to Answer	26.1%	201
	answered question	769
	skipped question	74

43. How many people live in your household?

	Response Percent	Response Count
1-2	56.7%	437
3-4	29.3%	226
5 or more	5.8%	45
Prefer Not to Answer	8.2%	63
	answered question	771
	skipped question	72

44. Please use the space below for any additional comments. Response Count 146 answered question 146 skipped question 697