



# Baltimore In Depth

A Closer Look at the 2010 Baltimore Citizen Survey Results  
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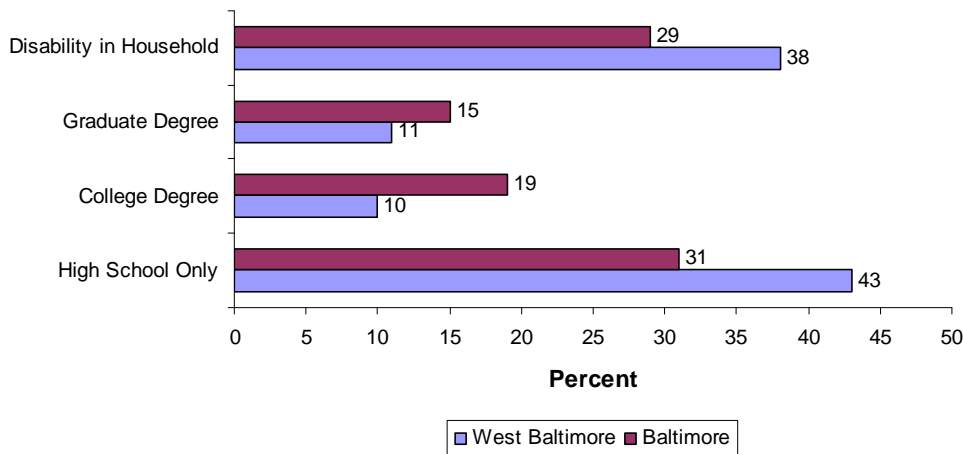
The 2010 Baltimore Citizen Survey asked 1,800 respondents a series of questions to measure their satisfaction with the services offered by the City of Baltimore and the quality of life in the City. This report focuses on individuals **who live in the Western District**.

### Key Findings

Respondents living in the Western district of Baltimore are:

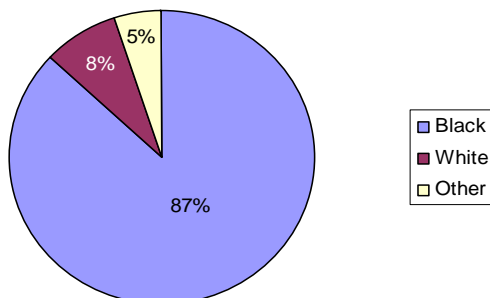
- More likely to rate sidewalk maintenance as poor.
- More likely to rate their neighborhood's cleanliness as fair or poor.
- More likely to rate the lack of affordable housing as a serious problem.
- More likely to use public transportation.
- Less likely to recommend living in Baltimore to a friend.

### Demographics

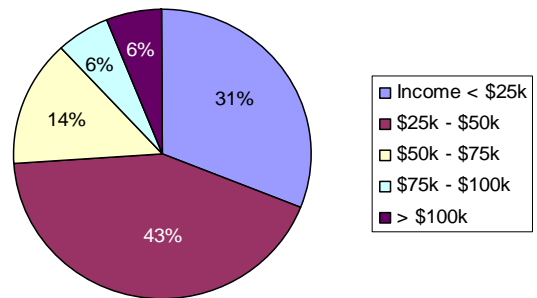


The Western Planning District of Baltimore differs from the overall population in terms of racial makeup, income, disability, and education. The charts on this page show major differences in select demographic categories, and illustrate how the West Baltimore population is more likely to have lower income, have someone with a disability living in the household, to be less formally educated, and has a higher proportion of Blacks. In addition, the respondents in West Baltimore are more likely to travel to another part of the City to do the majority of their shopping than the overall population.

### West Baltimore Racial Makeup



### West Baltimore Incomes



## Western District

The Western Planning district borders Gwynns Falls/Leakin Park in the west, Druid Hill in the north, Fremont Avenue on its western border, and Mulberry Ave on its southern border.

Major neighborhoods include Harlem Park, Sandtown/Winchester, Penn North, Bridgeview/Greenlawn, Mondawmin, Burrelth-Leighton, Mount Holly, Northwest Community Action, Fairmont, Rosemont, Coppin Heights, Winchester, and Franklinton Road.



## Findings

Compared to the overall population, respondents from West Baltimore were more likely to rate neighborhood cleanliness and sidewalk maintenance lower, to rate affordable housing as a more serious problem, to use public transportation, and less likely to recommend to a friend to live in the respondent's neighborhood.

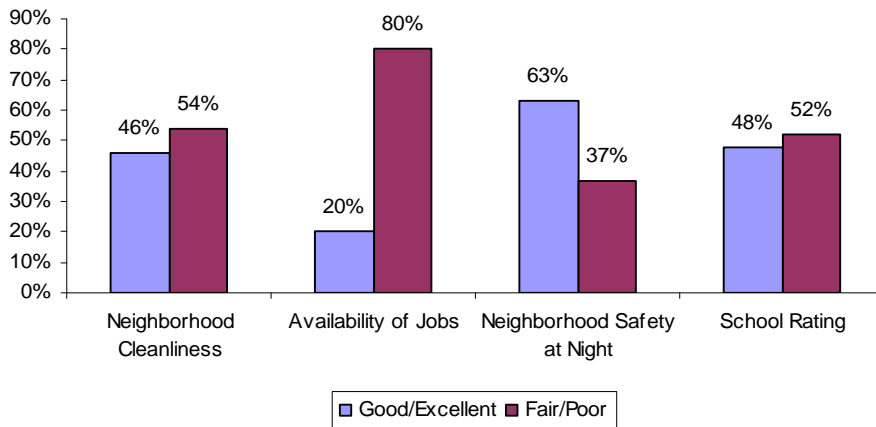
Western District respondents were more likely to rate the cleanliness of the neighborhood poor or fair (54%) than the population as a whole (43%).

Western District respondents were much more likely to say the lack of affordable housing in Baltimore was a serious or very serious problem (83%) than the population as a whole (70%).

Despite these differences in opinion about the quality of services in the City, Western District respondents were much more likely to make use of the public transportation system in Baltimore. Only 42% of West Baltimore respondents replied that they rarely or never used public transportation, while 63% of the population as a whole replied similarly.

Finally, Western District respondents were more likely to say that they would not recommend living in their neighborhood to a friend (29%) than the population as a whole (26%).

**Western District Responses**



*The Baltimore Citizen Survey is an annual survey, with 1,800 respondents, and a margin of error of  $\pm 2.5\%$ . For more information on the survey, and to read full reports, please visit our website at [www.baltimorecity.gov/citizensurvey](http://www.baltimorecity.gov/citizensurvey).*