

# The City of Carterville National Law Enforcement Survey



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#### Survey Background

The National Law Enforcement Survey™ (The NLES™) provides a comprehensive and accurate picture of resident opinions related to community police services. The NLES was developed by research experts and law-enforcement thought-leaders to produce clear, unbiased, actionable results on which local governments can rely. It is designed to assess resident perceptions of safety, gauge police-resident interactions, assess quality of public safety services and identify public safety priorities. The goals of the survey are intended to increase safety, align resident and government priorities, and strengthen relationships between communities and public safety officers. For Carterville, 3,200 survey recipients were randomly selected from the addresses within Carterville. These survey recipients were contacted by mail three times starting on May 14, 2020 with invitations to complete the survey online where it was hosted on the Polco platform, an online civic engagement tool. The survey was available in English and Spanish. About 150 (4.7% of the 3,200) mailed invitations were returned because the address was vacant or the postal service was unable to deliver the survey as addressed. Of the remaining 3,050 households that received the invitations to participate, 488 completed the survey, providing an overall response rate of 16%. The margin of error or 95% confidence interval for the results is plus or minus 4.9 percentage points around any given percent reported for all respondents. Comparisons of Carterville's results are made to benchmarks from a nationally representative administration of The NLES.

#### **Key Findings**

# Overall, Carterville residents feel safe in their community and give positive marks to the services provided by the Police Department.

Just over 8 in 10 residents (82%) rated their overall feeling of safety in Carterville as excellent or good, a rating that was similar to the national benchmark. About 9 in 10 residents reported feeling very or somewhat safe in their neighborhood, in Carterville's major recreation areas and in Carterville's downtown/commercial areas during the day, ratings that were similar to what was observed across the nation. As would be expected, fewer felt safer in these areas at night (75%, 60% and 66%, respectively), but these ratings were also similar to national averages. About 8 in 10 residents rated the overall quality of services provided by the Police Department positively, a rating that was similar to the national benchmark. Residents also evaluated various aspects of the job the Police Department does in Carterville, such as crime prevention, traffic enforcement and providing public information. Nearly all ratings were similar to rating given by residents across the country. There were three areas in which the performance of the Carterville Police Department could be improved, when compared to the national average: working with people to solve neighborhood problems, dealing with the homeless/transient population and showing residents how they can work together to make their neighborhoods safer. Each of these three services received ratings lower than the nation.

## Child abuse, school safety and burglaries/thefts were more likely to be considered a problem in Carterville than in the nation as a whole.

More than 7 in 10 respondents considered child abuse and school safety at least a minor problem in Westminster, more than in the nation as a whole. Over 8 in 10 respondents considered burglaries, thefts or robberies at least a minor problem, more than in the nation as a whole. Residents not knowing enough about public safety issues in the community also was believed to be at least a minor problem by about three-quarters of respondents and was more of a problem in Carterville compared to the national average.

Survey respondents evaluated nine public safety activities that are commonly considered by police and sheriff departments and rated how much of a priority each was for Carterville in the next two years. School safety was the issue that the greatest proportion of respondents thought was a high or medium priority for the Police Department, followed by controlling juvenile crime and working with residents to solve neighborhood issues.

# Residents living in Police Beats 1 and 7 generally had less positive ratings of police than did residents living in the other Police Beats.

Residents living in Police Beats 1 and 7 gave lower ratings to the overall feeling of safety in Carterville (63% or fewer rating as excellent or good) and the overall quality of services provided by the Police in Carterville (66% or fewer rating as excellent or good) than did those in Police Beats 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6 (83% or more rating either as excellent or good).

Residents in Police Beat 7 were less likely to give positive ratings of police being trustworthy or treating all residents fairly (50% or fewer rating as excellent or good) than were residents in the rest of the city (73% or more rating as excellent or good).

## Male residents were more likely to feel safe in Carterville and to have a positive impression of Carterville police department staff than were female residents.

However, female residents gave higher ratings to police being trustworthy than did male residents.

#### **Perceptions of safety**

Respondents rated their overall feeling of safety in the community. Perceptions of safety also were assessed for public spaces such as neighborhoods, commercial areas and major recreational amenities. Safety ratings were given separately for day and night hours. Residents were also presented with 35 important public safety issues and asked to think about the extent to which each of the issues affected the community. The issues assessed included types of violent and non-violent crimes, as well as various code enforcement violations. The percentage of positive responses ("very safe" or "somewhat safe", or "not a problem") are shown.

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Domestic violence (adult)  19%  Similar		Domestic violence (adult)	19%	Similar
Traffic problems (e.g., residential speeding, aggressive drivers) 18%		Traffic problems (e.g., residential speeding, aggressive drivers)	18%	Similar
Litter 13% Similar		Litter	13%	Similar
Burglaries/thefts/robberies (any type, including auto, personal or residential) 13%		Burglaries/thefts/robberies (any type, including auto, personal or residential)	13%	Lower
Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel In your neighborhood during the day 96% Similar		In your neighborhood during the day	96%	Similar
In Carterville's major recreational areas (parks, trails, etc.) during the day  94%  Similar	ICCI	In Carterville's major recreational areas (parks, trails, etc.) during the day	94%	Similar
In Carterville's downtown/ commercial area during the day 88% Similar		In Carterville's downtown/ commercial area during the day	88%	Similar
In your neighborhood during the night 79% Similar		In your neighborhood during the night	79%	Similar
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Quality of police services
Residents rated the quality of police/sheriff services overall and for each of the specific public safety services offered in the community. Services ranged from public information and outreach to investigating crimes. Public trust in the police also was measured in the survey. Respondents were asked to rate the police on equity, accountability, and other important facets of ethical behavior. The percentage of positive responses ("excellent" or "good") are shown.

How would you rate the overall qu	How would you rate the overall quality of the services provided by the Polic	83%	Similar
Please rate Carterville Police	Being trustworthy	82%	Similar
Department on the following.	Acting in the best interest of the community	81%	Similar
	Being a positive influence in the community	79%	Similar
	Caring about the well-being of the people they deal with	77%	Similar
	Treating all residents fairly	75%	Similar
	Acting within the law	75%	Similar
	Protecting individual civil rights	73%	Similar
	Using the appropriate amount of force	70%	Similar
	Holding police officers accountable for their actions	67%	Similar
Please rate the job the Police	Maintaining public order	85%	Similar
Department does at each of the following in Carterville.	Responding quickly to emergency calls for assistance	82%	Similar
	Assisting victims of crime	78%	Similar
	Crime prevention	75%	Similar
	Investigating crimes	73%	Similar
	Working to increase school safety	70%	Similar
	Inviting community members to provide input (e.g., comments, suggestions	63%	Similar
	Traffic enforcement	61%	Similar
	Controlling juvenile crime	60%	Similar
	Drug enforcement	60%	Similar
	Providing public information and education	59%	Similar
	Communicating regularly with community members (e.g., in websites, email.	58%	Similar
	Enforcing nuisance/code violations (e.g., loud music, abandoned cars, litter)	51%	Similar
	Working with people in your neighborhood to solve neighborhood problems	51%	Lower
	Dealing with the homeless/transient population	46%	Lower
	Showing citizens how they can work together to make their neighborhood s	45%	Much lower

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#### **Police-resident interactions**

Survey respondents reported if they had been in contact with the police in the 12 months prior to the survey and the reasons for this contact. Residents who had contact with the police in the 12 months prior to the survey rated the officer or staff member on the encounter in terms of responsiveness, respect and fairness. Timeliness, knowledge and resolution of concern also were assessed. The percentage of positive responses (1 or more times, "yes", or "excellent" or "good") are shown.

	Treating all people involved in a respectful manner	87%	Similar	
with a member of the Police Department, please rate each of the	Fairness	85%	Similar	
following aspects of the last	Overall impression of Carterville department staff member	83%	Similar	
employee with whom you had contact.	Timeliness of handling the situation	79%	Similar	
	Knowledge	77%	Similar	
	Resolution of concerns	75%	Similar	
	Responsiveness to requests and/or needs	73%	Similar	
Please indicate about how many ti	Please indicate about how many times, if ever, you were in contact with any 52%			
	Called for or sought help from the police	53%		
following were reasons for your contact with the police in the last	Casual encounter (e.g., chatted with an officer on the street or at an event)	41%		
12 months? Please check "No" or "Yes" for each.	Reported a crime to the police in Carterville	37%		
res for each.	You or a household member were a victim of a non-violent crime in Cartervi	20%		
	Reported an emergency such as a traffic crash or medical problem to the $\ensuremath{\mathrm{p}}.$	. 19%		
	To compliment or complain about police services	11%		
	Was in a motor vehicle that was stopped by the police	10%		
	Was involved in a traffic accident	9%		
	Encountered an officer at a school	8%		
	You or a household member were a victim of a violent crime in Carterville	6%		
	Participated in block watch WITH police	3%		
	Was considered a suspect in a crime or contacted as a suspicious person	3%		
	Attended a safety or educational program (e.g., a civilian police academy or	3%		
	Was arrested	1%		

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Public safety priorities
Residents were provided with a list of 9 public safety activities commonly being considered by police/sheriff departments and asked to rate each in level of priority as a focus issue for the next two years. Respondents assigned each activity as a high, medium, or low priority. The percentage of positive responses ("high priority" or "medium priority") are shown.

How much of a priority, if at all, should the Police Department in Carterville place on each of the following in the next two years?	School safety/security	93%	Similar
	Controlling juvenile crime	83%	Similar
	Working with residents to solve neighborhood problems	80%	Similar
	Increasing connections with the community (i.e., community forums, event	78%	Similar
	Drug enforcement	74%	Lower
	Increasing resident accessibility to police and police-related information	70%	Lower
	Dealing with the homeless/transient population	70%	Similar
	Traffic enforcement	67%	Similar
	Enforcing nuisance/code violations (e.g., loud music, abandoned cars, litter)	54%	Lower

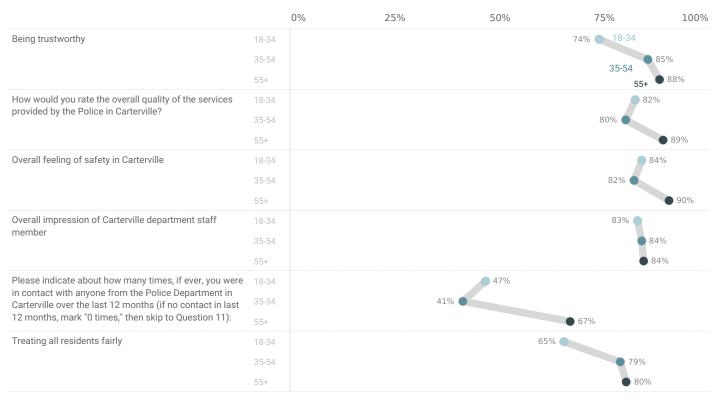
#### **Key Responses Compared by...**

The following are comparisons of key measures on the survey by respondent characteristics and geographic areas of residence. The percentage of positive responses (e.g., "excellent or good", 1 or more times) are shown. It is important to note that due to the smaller number of respondents in some subgroups, differences in responses should be interpreted cautiously. More detailed information about the number of respondents in each subgroup can be found in the Survey Methods section.

#### **Gender**

			% positive		
	0%	25%	50%	75%	100%
Overall feeling of safety in Carterville				Male 81%	Female 88%
Overall impression of Carterville department staff member				80%	86%
How would you rate the overall quality of the services provided by the Police in Carterville?				82%	85%
Being trustworthy				78%	87%
Treating all residents fairly				73% 77%	
Please indicate about how many times, if ever, you were in contact with anyone from the Police Department in Carterville over the las.			46% 53%		

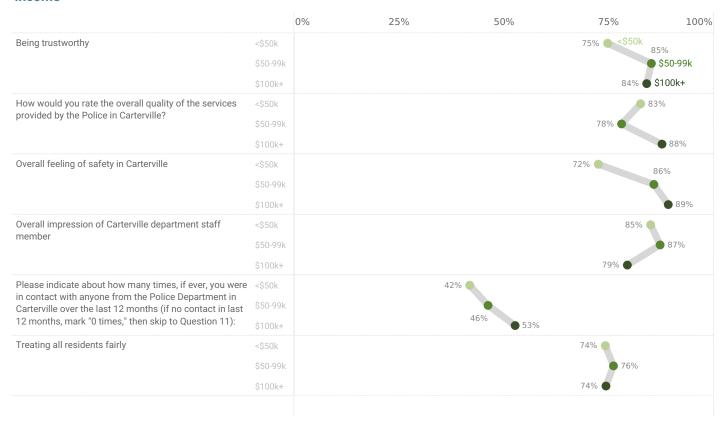
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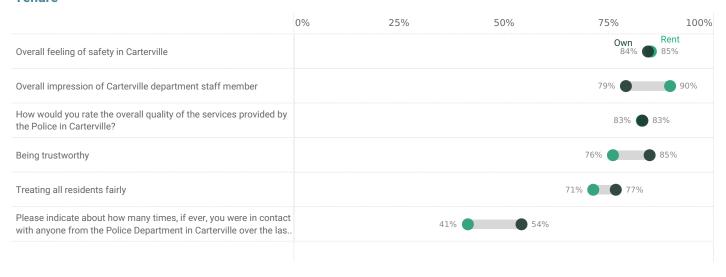
#### Race/ethnicity

	0%	25%	50%	75%	100%
Overall impression of Carterville department staff member				Other 83%	86% Non-hispanic
Overall feeling of safety in Carterville				84%	white 85%
How would you rate the overall quality of the services provided by the Police in Carterville?				81%	83%
Being trustworthy				76%	83%
Treating all residents fairly				74% 77%	
Please indicate about how many times, if ever, you were in contact with anyone from the Police Department in Carterville over the las		38%	51%		

#### Income



#### **Tenure**



#### Police beat

	Being trustworthy	How would you rate the overall quality of the services provided by the Police in Carterville?	Overall feeling of safety in Carterville	Overall impression of Carterville department staff member	Please indicate about how many times, if ever, you were in contact with anyone from the Police Department in Carterville over the last 12 months	Treating all residents fairly
1	96%	65%	61%	97%	42%	73%
2	73%	87%	83%	89%	45%	80%
3	88%	86%	86%	86%	50%	82%
4	84%	90%	95%	78%	55%	70%
5	99%	96%	87%	88%	51%	99%
6	86%	88%	92%	88%	52%	76%
7	58%	53%	64%	66%	43%	55%

About how much do you anticipate your	About how much do you anticipate your	\$25,000 to \$49,999	15%
household's total income before taxes will be for the current year? (Please	household's total income before taxes will be for the current year? (Please include in	\$50,000 to \$74,999	19%
include in your total income money from	your total income money from all sources	\$75,000 to \$99,999	21%
all sources for all persons living in your	for all persons living in your household.)	\$100,000 to \$149,999	20%
household.)		\$150,000 or more	20%
		Less than \$25,000	5%
Are you or any other members of your	Are you or any other members of your	Yes	19%
household aged 65 or older?	household aged 65 or older?	No	81%
Are you Spanish, Hispanic or Latino?	Are you Spanish, Hispanic or Latino?	No, not Spanish, Hispanic o	83%
		Yes, I consider myself to be	17%
Based on your most recent contact with	Fairness	Excellent	49%
a member of the Police Department, please rate each of the following aspects		Good	34%
of the last employee with whom you had		Fair	12%
contact.		Poor	5%
	Knowledge	Excellent	47%
		Good	28%
		Fair	17%
		Poor	7%
	Overall impression of Carterville	Excellent	46%
	department staff member	Good	36%
		Fair	9%
		Poor	10%
	Resolution of concerns	Excellent	43%
		Good	31%
		Fair	11%
		Poor	16%
	Responsiveness to requests and/or needs	Excellent	45%
		Good	27%
		Fair	14%
		Poor	15%
	Timeliness of handling the situation	Excellent	44%
		Good	33%
		Fair	14%
		Poor	9%
	Treating all people involved in a respectful	Excellent	51%
	manner	Good	35%
		Fair	8%
		Poor	6%
Do any children 17 or under live in your	Do any children 17 or under live in your	Yes	30%
household?	household?	No	70%
How much of a priority, if at all, should	Controlling juvenile crime	High priority	37%

low much of a priority, if at all, should no Police Department in Carterville place	Controlling juvenile crime	Medium priority	45%
the Police Department in Carterville place on each of the following in the next two		Low priority	15%
years?		Not a priority	3%
	Dealing with the homeless/transient	High priority	30%
	population	Medium priority	39%
		Low priority	22%
		Not a priority	9%
	Drug enforcement	High priority	41%
		Medium priority	32%
		Low priority	20%
		Not a priority	7%
	Enforcing nuisance/code violations (e.g.,	High priority	16%
	loud music, abandoned cars, litter)	Medium priority	37%
		Low priority	41%
		Not a priority	6%
	Increasing connections with the	High priority	40%
	community (i.e., community forums, events, relationship building)	Medium priority	37%
	evente, relationally ballating)	Low priority	23%
		Not a priority	1%
	Increasing resident accessibility to police and police-related information	High priority	34%
		Medium priority	35%
		Low priority	27%
		Not a priority	4%
	School safety/security	High priority	66%
		Medium priority	25%
		Low priority	6%
		Not a priority	3%
	Traffic enforcement	High priority	29%
		Medium priority	37%
		Low priority	32%
		Not a priority	3%
	Working with residents to solve	High priority	35%
	neighborhood problems	Medium priority	44%
		Low priority	19%
		Not a priority	3%
How much of a problem, if at all, do you	Abandoned and junked cars	Major problem	2%
think these issues are in Carterville?		Moderate problem	13%
		Minor problem	39%
		Not a problem	47%
	Animal problems (animals running at	Major problem	6%
	large, barking dogs)	Moderate problem	14%

How much of a problem, if at all, do you	Animal problems (animals running at	Minor problem	34%
think these issues are in Carterville?	large, barking dogs)	Not a problem	46%
	Burglaries/thefts/robberies (any type,	Major problem	13%
	including auto, personal or residential)	Moderate problem	37%
		Minor problem	39%
		Not a problem	11%
	Child abuse	Major problem	6%
		Moderate problem	20%
		Minor problem	50%
		Not a problem	23%
	Disorderly conduct (public intoxication,	Major problem	5%
	noise violations, etc.)	Moderate problem	23%
		Minor problem	37%
		Not a problem	36%
	Domestic violence (adult)	Major problem	7%
		Moderate problem	27%
		Minor problem	48%
		Not a problem	18%
	Driving under the influence (i.e., alcohol or	Major problem	7%
	drugs)	Moderate problem	30%
		Minor problem	44%
		Not a problem	18%
	Drug abuse (e.g., manufacture, sale, or use	Major problem	14%
	of illegal/prescription drugs)	Moderate problem	27%
		Minor problem	37%
		Not a problem	22%
	Elder abuse	Major problem	2%
		Moderate problem	7%
		Minor problem	43%
		Not a problem	48%
	Financial crimes against elderly	Major problem	5%
		Moderate problem	19%
		Minor problem	39%
		Not a problem	37%
	Fraud/identity theft	Major problem	6%
		Moderate problem	25%
		Minor problem	40%
	0	Not a problem	29%
	Gang activity	Major problem	6%
		Moderate problem	18%
		Minor problem	36%

The following tables contain a complete set of responses to each question on the survey.

By default, "Don't know" responses are excluded, but may be added to the table using the response filter on the right.

How much of a problem, if at all, do you Gang activity Not a problem 40% think these issues are in Carterville? Gun violence 4% Major problem Moderate problem 17% 39% Minor problem 40% Not a problem Hate crimes (e.g., because of race, 2% Major problem religion, sexual orientation) Moderate problem 14% 36% Minor problem 47% Not a problem Homeless- or transient-related problems Major problem 12% (panhandling) Moderate problem 33% Minor problem 35% 20% Not a problem Homicide (i.e., murder) Major problem 2% Moderate problem 10% Minor problem 45% Not a problem 43% Human trafficking (i.e., forced labor or Major problem 4% sexual exploitation) Moderate problem 12% 42% Minor problem 43% Not a problem Litter Major problem 8% Moderate problem 26% Minor problem 54% Not a problem 11% Mass shootings Major problem 2% 2% Moderate problem 18% Minor problem Not a problem 78% Neighbor disputes Major problem 2% Moderate problem 14% 42% Minor problem 41% Not a problem Not enough help from residents to make Major problem 4% the community safer Moderate problem 21% Minor problem 32% 44% Not a problem Physical assault/fights Major problem 0% Moderate problem 9% 42% Minor problem Not a problem 48%

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How much of a problem, if at all, do you think these issues are in Carterville?	Political protests	Major problem	1%
tillik triese issues are in Carterville:		Moderate problem	1%
		Minor problem	11%
		Not a problem	87%
	Poorly kept houses	Major problem	5%
		Moderate problem	18%
		Minor problem	49%
		Not a problem	28%
	Prostitution	Major problem	2%
		Moderate problem	1%
		Minor problem	16%
		Not a problem	82%
	Racial/Ethnic tensions	Major problem	5%
		Moderate problem	12%
		Minor problem	34%
		Not a problem	49%
	Residents not knowing enough about	Major problem	11%
	public safety issues in the community	Moderate problem	26%
		Minor problem	40%
		Not a problem	22%
	Safety on public transit (e.g., bus, subway, rail, shared rides)	Major problem	5%
		Moderate problem	11%
		Minor problem	34%
		Not a problem	50%
	School safety (e.g., bullying, fighting, or	Major problem	11%
	weapons)	Moderate problem	25%
		Minor problem	43%
		Not a problem	21%
	Sexual assault / rape (adult)	Major problem	4%
		Moderate problem	14%
		Minor problem	44%
		Not a problem	38%
	Strained police-community relationships	Major problem	7%
		Moderate problem	14%
		Minor problem	28%
		Not a problem	51%
	Traffic problems (e.g., residential	Major problem	21%
	speeding, aggressive drivers)	Moderate problem	31%
		Minor problem	32%
		Not a problem	16%
	Unauthorized immigrants	Major problem	8%
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How much of a problem, if at all, do you	Unauthorized immigrants	Moderate problem	9%
think these issues are in Carterville?		Minor problem	20%
		Not a problem	63%
	Underage drinking	Major problem	8%
		Moderate problem	19%
		Minor problem	43%
		Not a problem	30%
	Vandalism/graffiti	Major problem	4%
		Moderate problem	19%
		Minor problem	46%
		Not a problem	31%
	How would you rate the overall quality of	Excellent	27%
the services provided by the Police in	the services provided by the Police in	Good	55%
Carterville?	Carterville?	Fair	14%
		Poor	5%
If you had contact, which of the following	, , ,	Yes	1%
were reasons for your contact with the police in the last 12 months? Please check "No" or "Yes" for each.	(e.g., a civilian police academy or other pr	No	99%
	Called for or sought help from the police	Yes	52%
		No	48%
	officer on the street or at an event)	Yes	39%
		No	61%
	Encountered an officer at a school	Yes	7%
		No	93%
	Participated in block watch WITH police	Yes	2%
		No	98%
	Reported a crime to the police in	Yes	35%
	Carterville	No	65%
	Reported an emergency such as a traffic	Yes	17%
	crash or medical problem to the police	No	83%
	To compliment or complain about police	Yes	10%
	services	No	90%
	Was arrested	No	100%
	Was considered a suspect in a crime or	Yes	2%
	contacted as a suspicious person	No	98%
	Was in a motor vehicle that was stopped	Yes	8%
	by the police	No	92%
	Was involved in a traffic accident	Yes	7%
		No	93%
	You or a household member were a victim	Yes	19%
	of a non-violent crime in Carterville	No	81%
	You or a household member were a victim	Yes	4%

check "No" or "Yes" for each.	of a violent crime in Carterville	No	96%
In which category is your age?	In which category is your age?	18-24 years	6%
		25-34 years	29%
		35-44 years	18%
		45-54 years	21%
		55-64 years	12%
		65-74 years	10%
		75-84 years	4%
		85 years or older	0%
Is this house, apartment or mobile	Is this house, apartment or mobile home	Owned	65%
home		Rented	35%
Please indicate about how many times, if	Please indicate about how many times, if	0 times	49%
ever, you were in contact with anyone	ever, you were in contact with anyone from	1-2 times	36%
over the last 12 months (if no contact in	the Police Department in Carterville over the last 12 months (if no contact in last 12	3-5 times	12%
last 12 months, mark "0 times," then skip	months, mark "0 times," then skip to	6-8 times	2%
to Question 11):	Question 11):	9 or more times	1%
Please rate Carterville Police Department	Acting in the best interest of the	Excellent	36%
on the following.	community	Good	44%
		Fair	15%
		Poor	6%
	Acting within the law	Excellent	34%
		Good	39%
		Fair	21%
		Poor	6%
	Being a positive influence in the community	Excellent	36%
		Good	41%
		Fair	15%
		Poor	8%
	Being trustworthy	Excellent	38%
		Good	42%
		Fair	14%
		Poor	6%
	Caring about the well-being of the people	Excellent	33%
	they deal with	Good	42%
		Fair	15%
		Poor	10%
	Holding police officers accountable for their actions	Excellent	24%
		Good	42%
		Fair	16%
		Poor	18%
	Protecting individual civil rights	Excellent	27%

Please rate Carterville Police Department on the following.	Protecting individual civil rights	Good		45%
		Fair		17%
		Poor		11%
	Treating all residents fairly	Excellent		35%
		Good		38%
		Fair		17%
		Poor		10%
	Using the appropriate amount of force	Excellent		31%
		Good		37%
		Fair		20%
		Poor		11%
Please rate each of the following aspects	Carterville as a place to live	Excellent		42%
of quality of life in Carterville.		Good		48%
		Fair		9%
		Poor		1%
	Carterville as a place to raise children	Excellent		39%
		Good		47%
		Fair		11%
		Poor		2%
	Overall feeling of safety in Carterville	Excellent		30%
		Good		54%
		Fair		15%
		Poor		1%
	The overall quality of life in Carterville	Excellent		39%
		Good		47%
		Fair		11%
		Poor		2%
Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel	In Carterville's downtown/ commercial area at night	Very safe		26%
		Somewhat safe		43%
		Neither safe nor unsafe		18%
		Somewhat unsafe		11%
		Very unsafe		2%
	In Carterville's downtown/ commercial area during the day	Very safe		61%
		Somewhat safe		26%
		Neither safe nor unsafe		9%
		Somewhat unsafe	ļ	4%
		Very unsafe		0%
	In Carterville's major recreational areas	Very safe		21%
	(parks, trails, etc.) at night	Somewhat safe		41%
		Neither safe nor unsafe		17%
		Somewhat unsafe		17%

Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel	(parks, trails, etc.) at night	Very unsafe	4%
	In Carterville's major recreational areas	Very safe	62%
	(parks, trails, etc.) during the day	Somewhat safe	30%
		Neither safe nor unsafe	4%
		Somewhat unsafe	3%
		Very unsafe	0%
	In your neighborhood during the day	Very safe	74%
		Somewhat safe	21%
		Neither safe nor unsafe	2%
		Somewhat unsafe	4%
		Very unsafe	0%
	In your neighborhood during the night	Very safe	38%
		Somewhat safe	39%
		Neither safe nor unsafe	8%
		Somewhat unsafe	11%
		Very unsafe	4%
Please rate the job the Police	Assisting victims of crime	Excellent	29%
Department does at each of the following	J	Good	47%
in Carterville.		Fair	16%
		Poor	8%
	Communicating regularly with community members (e.g., in websites, emails or public meetings)	Excellent	15%
		Good	42%
		Fair	26%
		Poor	17%
	Controlling juvenile crime	Excellent	15%
		Good	43%
		Fair	33%
		Poor	8%
	Crime prevention	Excellent	16%
		Good	57%
		Fair	19%
		Poor	8%
	Dealing with the homeless/transient	Excellent	8%
	population	Good	36%
		Fair	30%
		Poor	25%
	Drug enforcement	Excellent	9%
		Good	49%
		Fair	26%
		Poor	15%
	Enforcing nuisance/code violations (e.g.,	Excellent	14%

Please rate the job the Police	Enforcing nuisance/code violations (e.g.,	Good	35%
Department does at each of the following in Carterville.	Joud music, abandoned cars, litter)	Fair	28%
		Poor	23%
	Investigating crimes	Excellent	23%
		Good	48%
		Fair	18%
		Poor	11%
	Inviting community members to provide input (e.g., comments, suggestions and concerns)	Excellent	21%
		Good	40%
		Fair	22%
		Poor	16%
	Maintaining public order	Excellent	30%
		Good	55%
		Fair	12%
		Poor	4%
	Providing public information and	Excellent	16%
	education	Good	41%
		Fair	27%
		Poor	16%
	Responding quickly to emergency calls for assistance	Excellent	45%
		Good	35%
		Fair	14%
		Poor	6%
	Showing citizens how they can work together to make their neighborhood safer	Excellent	13%
		Good	29%
		Fair	28%
		Poor	30%
	Traffic enforcement	Excellent	14%
		Good	 47%
		Fair	23%
		Poor	16%
	Working to increase school safety	Excellent	22%
		Good	47%
		Fair	24%
		Poor	8%
	Working with people in your neighborhood to solve neighborhood problems	Excellent	16%
		Good	33%
		Fair	28%
		Poor	23%
What is your 5-digit zip code?	What is your 5-digit zip code?	12345	.00%
What is your gender?	What is your gender?	Female	51%

What is your gender?	What is your gender?	Male	47%
		Identify in another way	1%
What is your race? (Mark one or more races to indicate what race(s) you consider yourself to be.)	What is your race? (Mark one or more races to indicate what race(s) you consider yourself to be.)	American Indian or Alaskan	1%
		Asian, Asian Indian or Pacif	5%
		Other	7%
		White	87%
Which best describes the building you live in?	Which best describes the building you live in?	Building with two or more h	45%
		One family house detached	55%
		Other	0%
Which, if any, of the following safety measures do you have in place in YOUR HOME (check all that apply)?	Which, if any, of the following safety measures do you have in place in YOUR HOME (check all that apply)?	Adequate lighting around y	22%
		Deadbolt locks on all exteri	23%
		Even when at home, doors	22%
		Home Security System with	4%
		Home Security System with	4%
		Locking mechanisms on wi	25%
		None of the above	0%
Which, if any, of the following safety	Which, if any, of the following safety measures do you have in place in YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD (check all that apply)?	Adequate lighting on your s	70%
measures do you have in place in YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD (check all that apply)?		Gated neighborhood	1%
		Neighborhood Security Gua	6%
		Neighborhood Watch Signs	6%
		None of the above	17%