

1.0 ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES



1.1 CHAPTER SUMMARY

The purpose of this section is to provide basic background information for the comprehensive planning process and general demographic characteristics for the Village of Dickeyville. More specifically this section includes information from the community survey and visioning sessions, community profile and projection data including population trends, age distribution, and population projections.

1.2 GOALS, OBJECTIVES, POLICY AND PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS

The following are the Issues and Opportunities goals, objectives, policy, and program recommendations for Dickeyville. The essence of these recommendations is reflected throughout the entire document.

1. **The Village of Dickeyville will strive to**
 - **Protect and improve the health, safety, and welfare of residents.**
 - **Preserve and enhance the quality of life for the residents**
 - **Protect and preserve the character of the community.**

Note: The above policy recommendations are further explained in other elements of this comprehensive plan. This section provides background information and overall direction. For example, the above recommendations may be carried out by implementing recommendations in other sections such as housing, economic development, and transportation.

Wisconsin State Statute 66.1001(2)(a)

(a) Issues and Opportunities

Background information on the local governmental unit and a statement of overall objectives, policies, goals and programs of the local governmental unit to guide the future development and redevelopment of the local governmental unit over a 20-year planning period. Background information shall include population, household and employment forecasts that the local governmental unit uses in developing its comprehensive plan, and demographic trends, age distribution, educational levels, income levels and employment characteristics that exist within the local governmental unit.

1.3 COMMUNITY VISION

A vision statement identifies both where a community intends to be in the future and how to meet the future needs of stakeholders: its citizens. The vision statement incorporates the community's shared understanding of its nature and purpose and uses this understanding to move together towards a greater purpose. SWWRPC, in conjunction with UWEX-Grant County, sponsored visioning sessions for each jurisdiction in the autumn of 2007. The Village Planning Commission utilized the visioning information from these sessions to create their formal vision statement:

The Village of Dickeyville is a family-oriented small community focusing on economic growth through the highest quality of orderly residential, recreational, and business development that has a working relationship with neighboring municipalities in Southwest Wisconsin.



1.4 BACKGROUND AND PLANNING AREA

Under the Comprehensive Planning legislation, adopted by the state in October of 1999, beginning on January 1 2010, if a local governmental unit engages in any of the actions listed below, those actions shall be consistent with that local governmental unit's comprehensive plan.

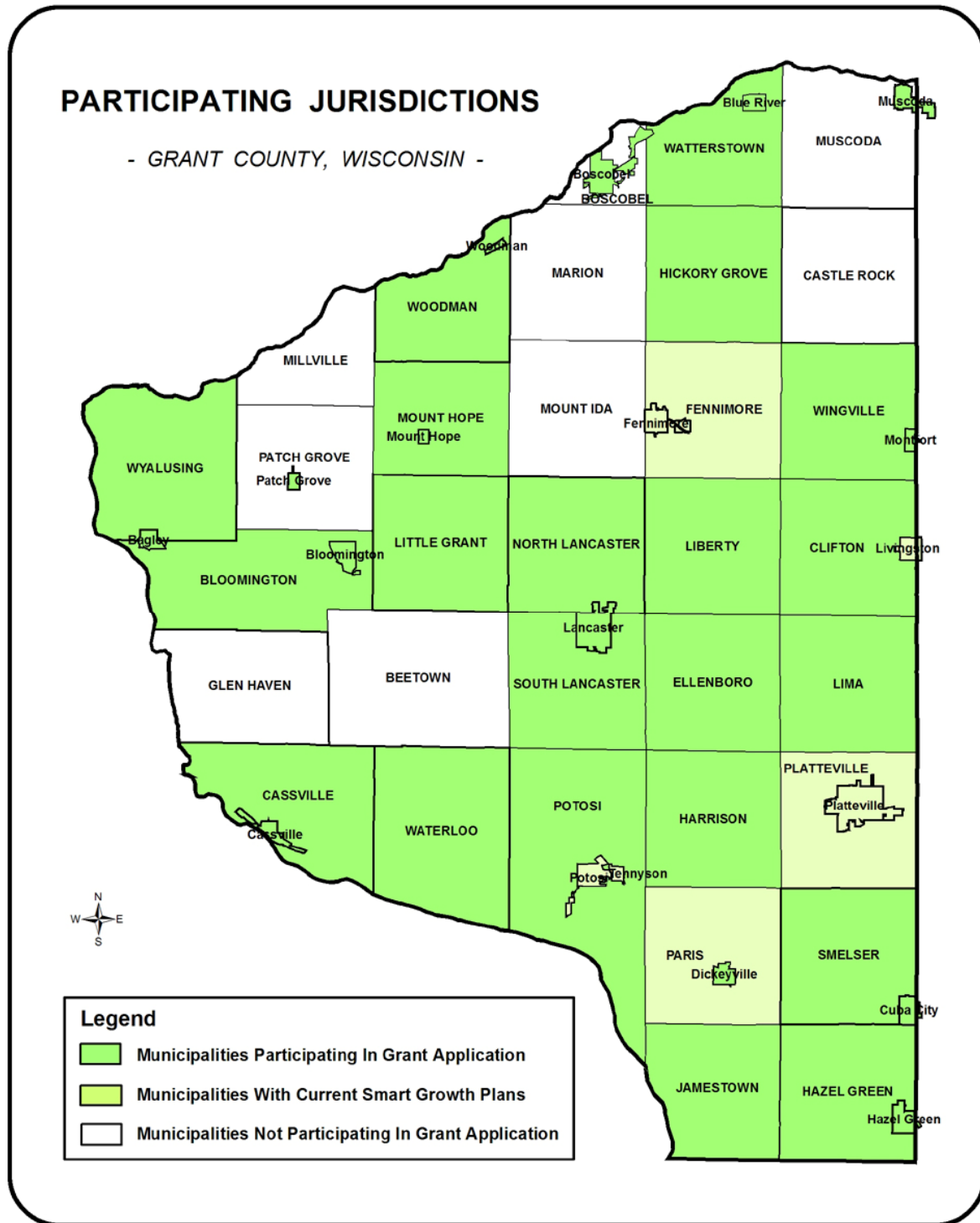
- Official Mapping
- Local Subdivision Regulations
- County, Town, Village or City zoning Ordinances
- Zoning of Shorelands or Wetlands in Shorelands

Comprehensive plans are a blueprint for how a community will develop and grow. Their purpose is to provide communities with information and policies that they shall use in the future to guide planning and community decisions. The Comprehensive Plan includes nine elements: Issues and Opportunities, Utilities and Community Facilities, Agriculture/Natural/Cultural Resources, Housing, Transportation, Economic Development, Intergovernmental Cooperation, Land Use, and Implementation.

In addition, the Comprehensive Planning legislation establishes fourteen planning goals to guide planning efforts. The fourteen goals, along with other planning policies and objectives created during the planning process, appear throughout each chapter in this document.

Grant County, together with thirty-six (36) jurisdictions, including the Village of Dickeyville, applied for a Planning Grant through the Wisconsin Department of Administration in the fall of 2006. In the spring of 2007, the thirty-month Comprehensive Planning Grant was awarded. Grant County and the jurisdictions within it contracted with the Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SWWRPC) to complete individual comprehensive plans for each of the forty jurisdictions (Grant County, Cities, Towns, and Villages) in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes 66.1001. The only jurisdictions in Grant County that did not participate under the multi-jurisdiction grant were the towns of Beetown, Boscobel, Castle Rock, Fennimore, Glen Haven, Marion, Millville, Mount Ida, Muscoda, Paris, Patch Grove, and Platteville, the villages of Livingston, Potosi, and Tennyson, and the cities of Fennimore and Platteville. These jurisdictions either chose to complete their comprehensive plans using other resources or had already done so. The following is a list of all of the jurisdictions participating under the grant.

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| Grant County | Village of Bagley
Village of Bloomington
Village of Blue River
Village of Cassville
Village of Dickeyville
Village of Hazel Green
Village of Montfort
Village of Mount Hope
Village of Muscoda
Village of Patch Grove
Village of Woodman | Town of Mount Hope
Town of North Lancaster
Town of Potosi
Town of Smelsor
Town of South Lancaster
Town of Waterloo
Town of Watterstown
Town of Wingville
Town of Woodman
Town of Wyalusing |
| | Town of Bloomington
Town of Cassville
Town of Clifton
Town of Ellenboro
Town of Harrison
Town of Hazel Green
Town of Hickory Grove
Town of Jamestown
Town of Liberty
Town of Lima
Town of Little Grant | City of Boscobel
City of Cuba City
City of Lancaster |



According to state statute, Class 4 municipalities have extraterritorial jurisdiction to the area 1.5 miles outside of the corporate limits. During the course of this plan, this area shall be considered as part of the planning area. Conversely, the extraterritorial area will also be considered as part of the planning area for jurisdictions that border municipalities. The inclusion of the extraterritorial area in two separate plans underscores the importance of these lands and the importance of intergovernmental cooperation (see Chapter 8, Land Use). The purpose of the extraterritorial zone is essentially one of coordination with adjoining communities in an effort to anticipate and mitigate any impacts stemming from the development in that area.

1.4.1 ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The following indicates the roles and responsibilities of each entity involved in the comprehensive planning process.

- **Southwest Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SWWRPC)**
 - a. Provide staff services and project management for process.
 - b. Produce written plans and supplementary documents.
 - c. Plan, coordinate, and staff joint-jurisdictional meetings.

- **UW-Extension, Grant County**
 - a. Assist in developing and coordinating public participation plan, press releases, survey, visioning and education processes.

- **Grant County Zoning and Land Use Department**
 - a. Provide information, direction, and feedback to SWWRPC on process and plan development.

- **Town, Village, and City Planning Commissions**
 - a. Provide feedback and direction to SWWRPC in developing plan policies, information, and implementation measures.
 - b. Hold meetings to discuss comprehensive planning issues.
 - c. Develop comprehensive plan and recommend it to the governing body for adoption.
 - d. Represent the jurisdiction at joint-jurisdictional planning meetings.

- **County Zoning and Land Use Committee**
 - a. Provide feedback and direction to SWWRPC in developing the plan information, policies, and implementation measures.
 - b. Hold meetings to discuss comprehensive planning issues.
 - c. Develop comprehensive plan and recommend it to the governing body for adoption.
 - d. Represent the jurisdiction at joint-jurisdictional planning meetings.

- **Town, Village, City, and County Boards**
 - a. Appoint plan commission members.
 - b. Provide funds for the process.
 - c. Provide notice for and hold local meetings and hearings for the adoption of the plan and implementation measures via ordinance.

1.5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN

As part of the Comprehensive Planning legislation, every community must develop a public participation plan at the beginning of the planning process. The Village of Dickeyville Planning Commission has developed guidelines for involving the public as part of the requirements of the Comprehensive Planning Process (Section 66.1001(4)(a), Stats.). The goal of a public participation plan is to promote awareness of the planning process, to keep the public informed and educated, and to obtain input and participation from the public in order to create a plan, which reflects the vision and goals of the community.

Southwest Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SWWRPC) and UW-Extension were involved in a variety of outreach activities throughout the planning process. SWWRPC conducted informational meetings on each of the elements throughout the planning process. The variety of outreach methods either SWWRPC or UW-Extension used to publish the dates, times, and locations of informational meetings are listed below under the appropriate organization.

SWWRPC
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Survey
UW-Extension
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UW- Extension Newsletter • UW-Extension Webpage • Press releases to appropriate news mediums for SWWRPC sponsored meetings.

The Planning Commission will use the following methods as ways for public participation throughout the planning process:

1. *Post meeting times and minutes in 4 designated posting locations 10 day prior to meeting.*
2. *Provide information via direct mailings when needed.*

Both community planning meetings and SWWRPC facilitated meetings served as the methods for public participation throughout the entire Village of Dickeyville Comprehensive Planning Process. Methods of public participation used to notify the primary audiences are listed above along with any other community members including property owners and persons with a vested or leasehold interest in property allowing the extraction of nonmetallic mineral resources in which the intensity or use of the property may be changed by the comprehensive plan. The success of the public participation plan is measured by the extent to which progress has been made towards the achievement of this plan's goals.

During the implementation phase of the project, the Planning Commission adopts, by majority vote, a resolution that formally recommends the adoption of the comprehensive plan (and any future plan amendments) to the Village Board. CD copies of the recommended and adopted plan will be sent to the clerks of the Town of Paris, Grant County, and the Cuba City School District Administrator (Section 66.1001(4)(b), Stats.) In addition, a CD and a paper copy of the plan will be sent to the Wisconsin Department of Administration and to the Public Library serving the jurisdiction. Paper copies will also go to the Planning Commission, Village Board, and Village Clerk.

In order to comply with Act 307 regarding nonmetallic mining, the Village of Dickeyville will also send a copy of the plan, per a written request, to any operator who has applied for or obtained a nonmetallic reclamation permit; a person who has registered a marketable nonmetallic mineral deposit; and any other property owner or leaseholder who has an interest in property allowing the extraction of nonmetallic mineral resources.

Prior to adopting the plan, the Village of Dickeyville Board will hold at least one public hearing to discuss the recommended plan (Section 66.1001(4)(d), Stats.) and provide an opportunity for written comments by the public and respond to such comments through review and discussion at a Village Board meeting. At least 30 days prior to the hearing, a Class 1 notice will be published that contains, at a minimum, the following:

- The date, time and location of the hearing
- A summary of the proposed plan or plan amendment
- The local government staff that can be contacted for additional information
- Where to inspect and how to obtain a copy of the proposal before the hearing



The Village Board, by a majority vote, shall enact the ordinance adopting the recommended plan (Section 66.1001(4)(c), Stats.). The adopted plan and ordinance shall be distributed to the aforementioned parties in Section 66.1001(4)(b), Stats. The plan shall contain all nine elements identified in Section 66.1001(2), Stats. If the Village Board asks the Planning Commission to revise the recommended plan, it is not mandatory that these revisions be sent to the distribution list. However, in the spirit of public participation and intergovernmental cooperation, revisions constituting a substantial change to the recommended plan may be sent to the distribution list.

1.6 COMMUNITY SURVEY

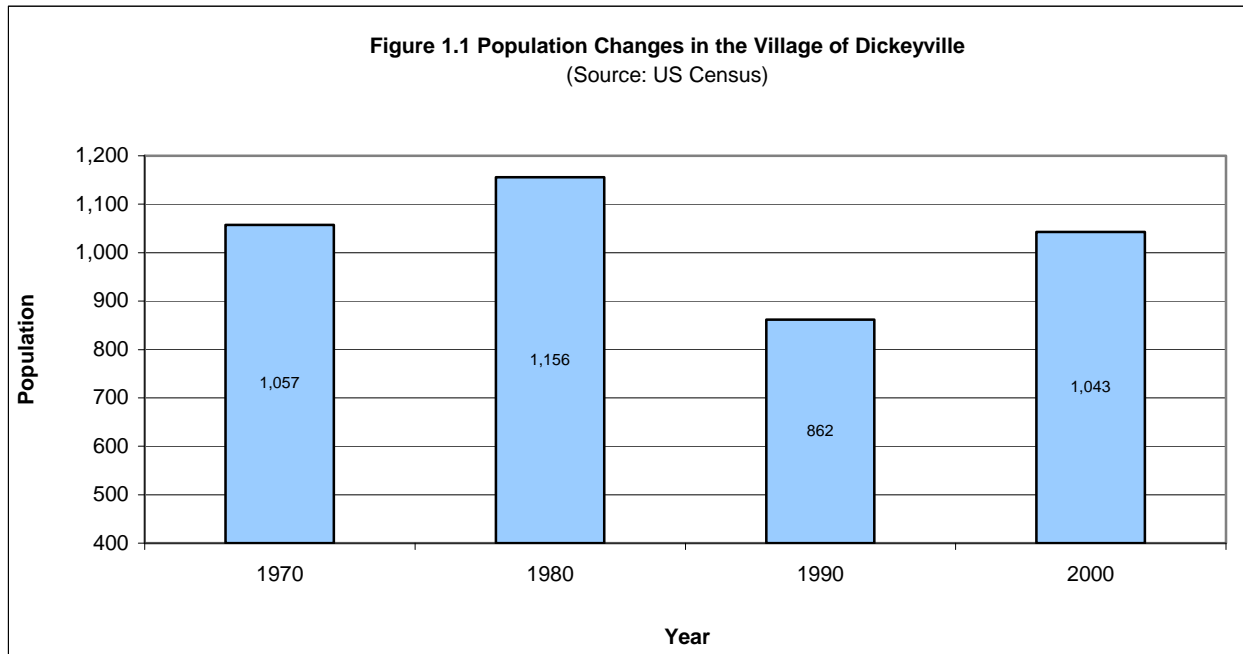
In the fall of 2007, the staff from SWWRPC distributed a countywide survey to all property owners in Grant County. The purpose of the survey was to provide participating planning commissions with community feedback regarding key elements in the comprehensive plan. A total of 16,491 surveys were sent to property owners in Grant County. The University of Wisconsin River Falls (UWRF) Survey Research Center was responsible for tabulating and analyzing the survey responses. (See Issues and Opportunities Chapter Attachments for your jurisdiction's survey results.)

1.7 COMMUNITY PROFILE AND PROJECTION

The following displays the population statistics and projections that were prepared as part of the requirements of the Comprehensive Planning legislation. Other demographic data and statistics, such as employment characteristics, are in their corresponding chapters.

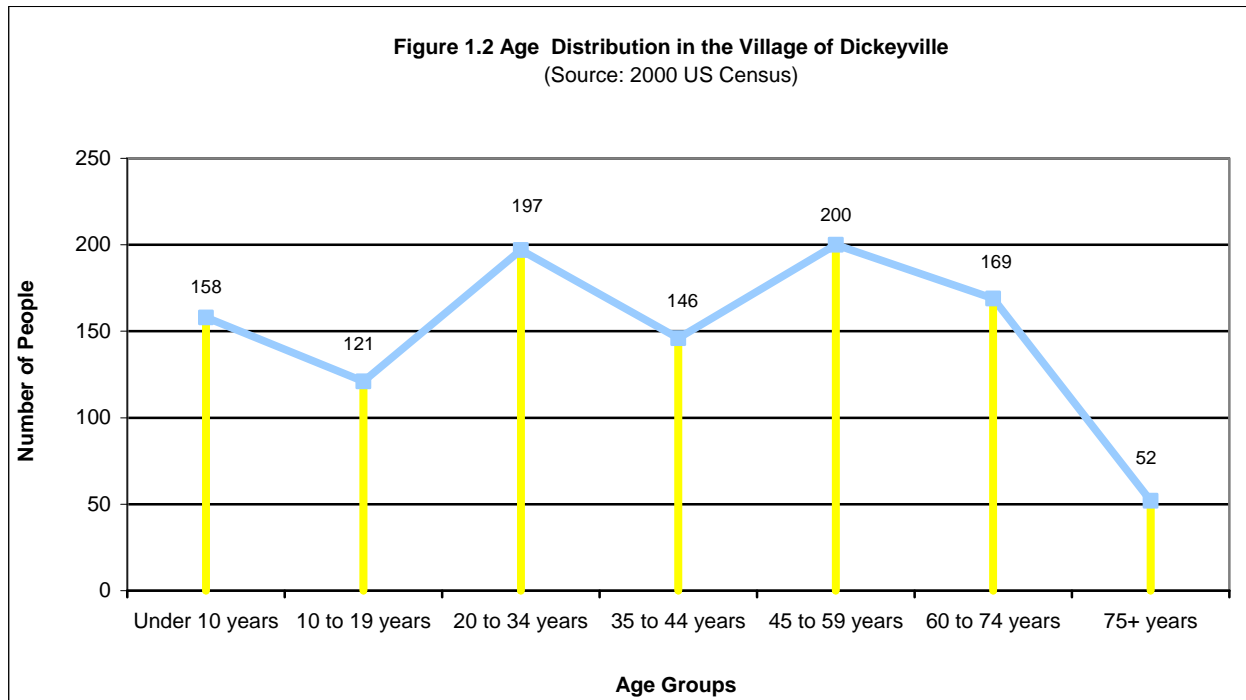
Table 1.1 Population Statistics (Source: DP-1,DP-2. 2000 U.S. Census)

Population	Village of Dickeyville Number	Village of Dickeyville Percent	Grant County Number	Grant County Percent	Wisconsin Number	Wisconsin Percent
Total Population (1970)	1,057	100.0%	48,398	100.0%	4,417,933	100.0%
Total Population (1980)	1,156	100.0%	51,736	100.0%	4,705,767	100.0%
Total Population (1990)	862	100.0%	49,264	100.0%	4,891,769	100.0%
Total Population (2000)	1,043	100.0%	49,597	100.0%	5,363,675	100.0%
SEX AND AGE (2000)						
Male	514	49.3%	25,164	50.7%	2,649,041	49.4
Female	529	50.7%	24,433	49.3%	2,714,634	50.6
Under 10 years	158	15.2%	5,738	11.6%	721,824	13.5%
10 to 19 years	121	11.6%	8,490	17.1%	810,269	15.1%
20 to 34 years	197	18.8%	9,995	20.2%	1,063,460	19.8%
35 to 44 years	146	14.0%	7,096	14.3%	875,522	16.3%
45 to 59 years	200	19.2%	8,533	17.2%	985,048	18.4%
60 to 74 years	169	23.4%	5,918	12.0%	560,306	10.4%
75+ years	52	4.9%	3,827	7.7%	347,246	6.5%
		100%		100.0%		100%
Median Age (2000)	37.8		35.9		36.0	



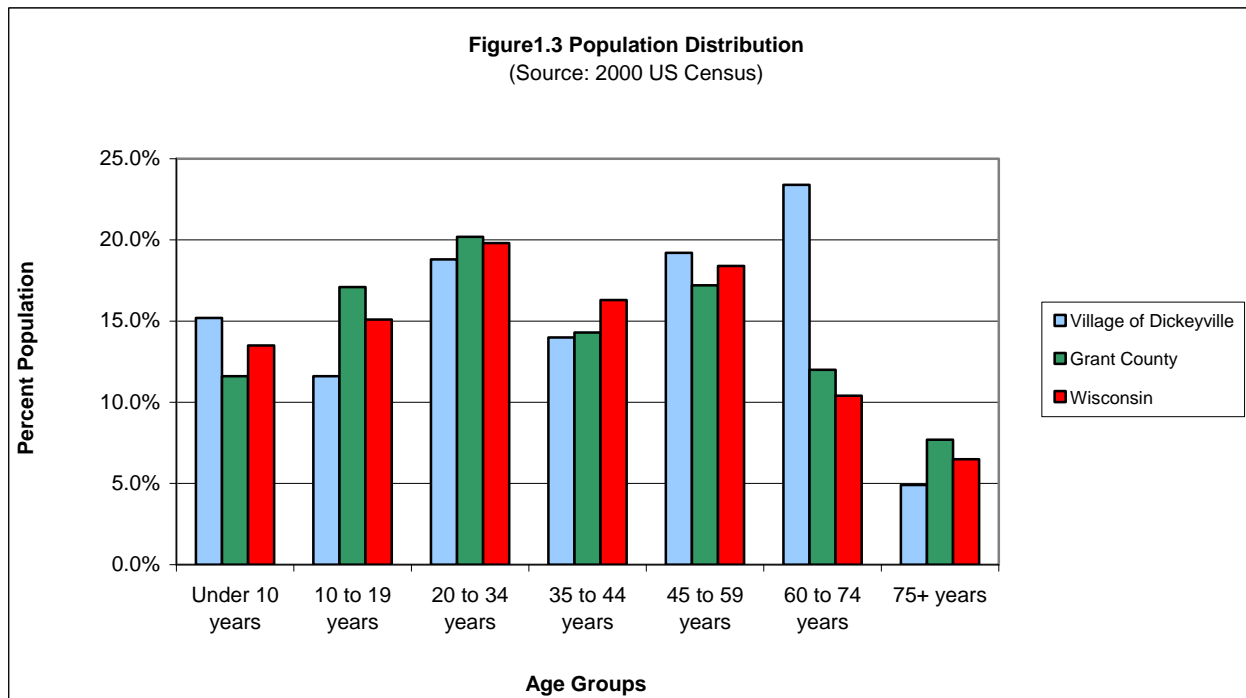
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1.1 shows that the Village of Dickeyville experienced an overall population decrease from 1970 to 2000 of 1.3%



Figure

1.2 shows the population of the Village of Dickeyville by age distribution for the year 2000. The largest group is people 45 to 59 years (200 people) making up 19.2% of the population. The second largest age group of 20 to 34 contains 18.9% of the population with 197 people. The Village’s median age is 37.8.



Figure

1.3 compares the population percentage by age group for the Village of Dickeyville, Grant County, and the State of Wisconsin.

Table 1.2 Population Projections (Source: 2007 SWWRPC)

Age Group	2010 Low	2010 High	2020 Low	2020 High	2030 Low	2030 High
Less than 10	147	169	144	186	149	212
10 to 19 Years	143	165	140	182	138	196
20 to 34 Years	173	200	181	234	193	276
35 to 44 Years	135	156	128	166	127	181
45 to 59 Years	228	263	228	295	217	309
60 to 74 Years	169	195	205	266	218	311
75+ Years	99	114	117	152	150	214
Total	1,093	1,262	1,142	1,481	1,192	1,700

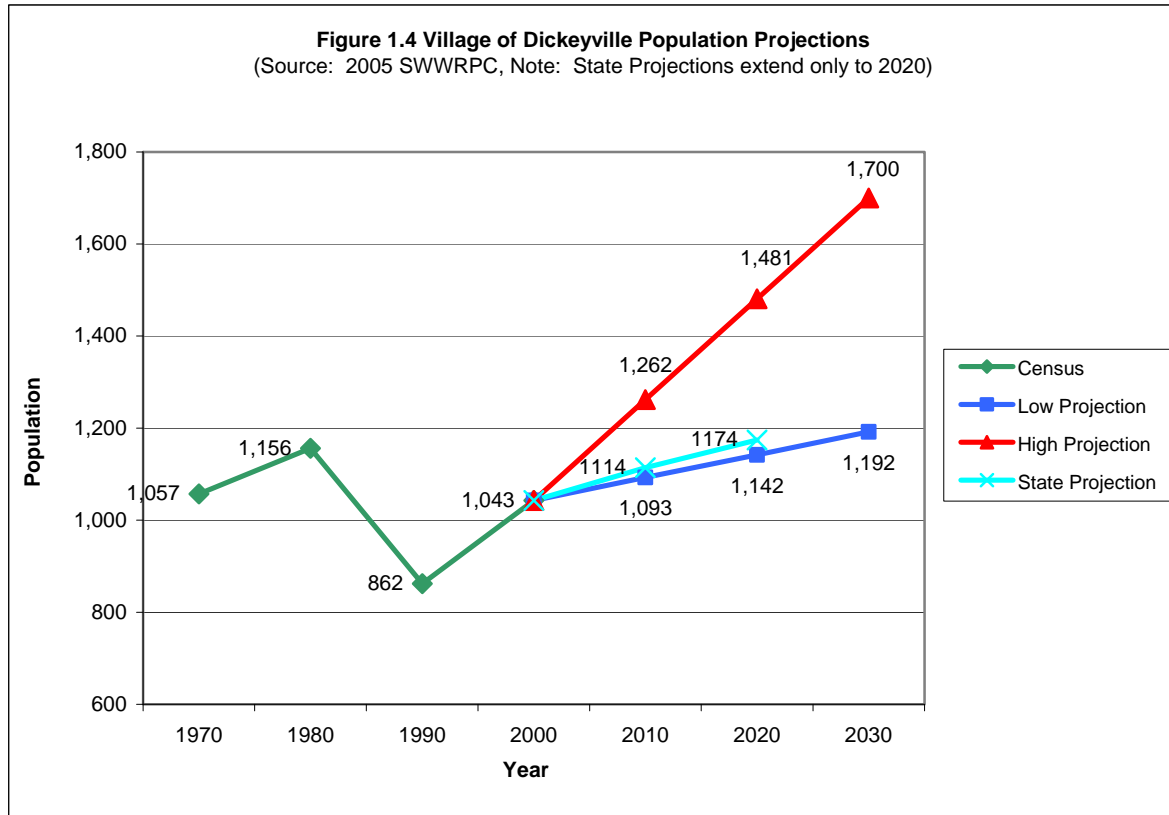


Figure 1.4 shows the projected populations for the years 2010, 2020, and 2030. The red line indicates a future high projection, while the blue line indicates a future low projection. The State projection trend closely follows the low projection.

Table 1.3 Educational Attainments (Source: DP-1,DP-2. 2000 US Census)

Educational Attainment	Village of Dickeyville Number	Village of Dickeyville Percent	Grant County Number	Grant County Percent	Wisconsin Percent
Less than 9th Grade	84	12.0%	2,346	7.7%	5.4%
9th to 12th No Diploma	30	4.3%	2,713	8.9%	9.6%
HS Grad	305	43.6%	12,255	40.0%	34.6%
Some College	158	22.6%	5,828	19.0%	20.6%
Associate Degree	54	7.7%	2,230	7.3%	7.5%
Bachelor's Degree	50	7.1%	3,332	10.9%	15.3%
Graduate/Prof. Degree	19	2.7%	1,921	6.3%	7.2%
Percent High School Grad or Higher		83.7%	83.5%		85.1%

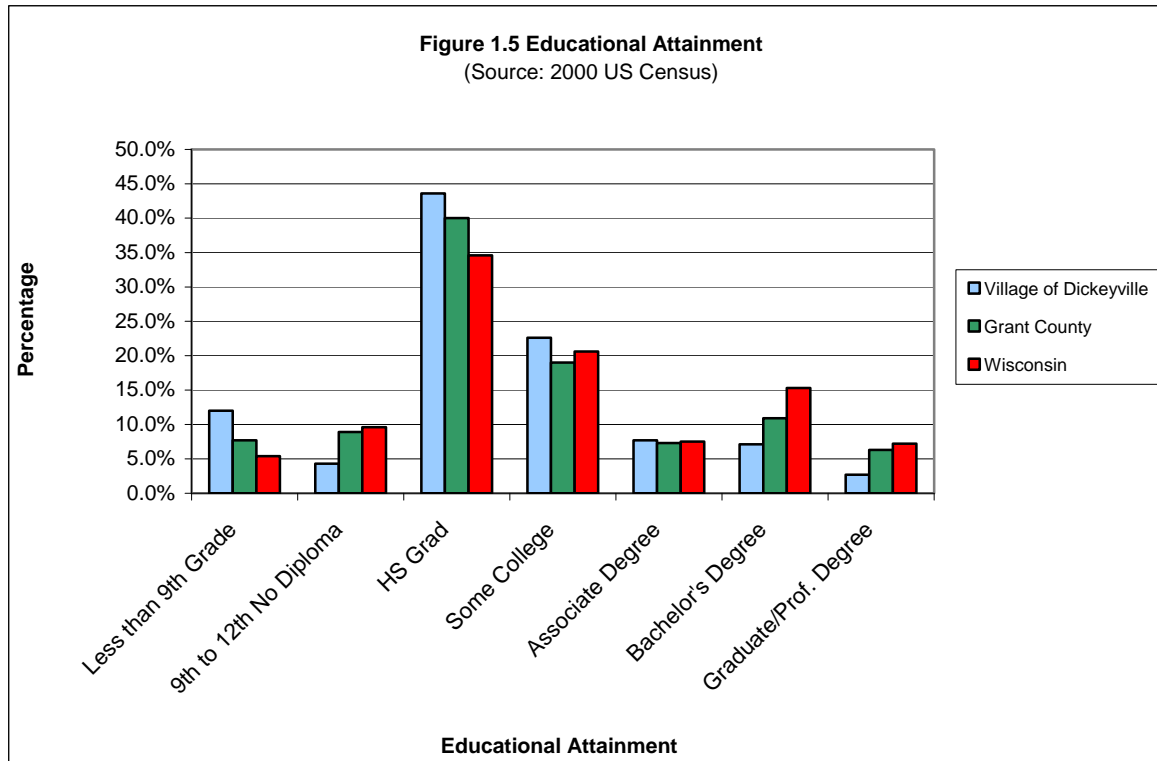


Table 1.4 Occupations (Source: DP-1,DP-2. 2000 US Census)

Occupations	Village of Dickeyville Number	Village of Dickeyville Percent	Grant County Number	Grant County Percent	Wisconsin Number	Wisconsin Percent
Prod, Trans & Mat. Moving	135	23.6%	4,981	19.9%	540,930	19.8%
Const, Extraction & Maint.	47	8.2%	2,294	9.1%	237,086	8.7%
Farm, Fishing & Forestry	2	0.4%	753	3.0%	25,725	0.9%
Sales & Office	173	30.3%	5,524	22.0%	690,360	25.2%
Services	103	18.0%	4,025	16.0%	383,619	14.0%
Mgmt, Prof & Related	111	19.4%	7,511	29.9%	857,205	31.3%
Total	571	100%	25,088	100%	2,734,925	100%

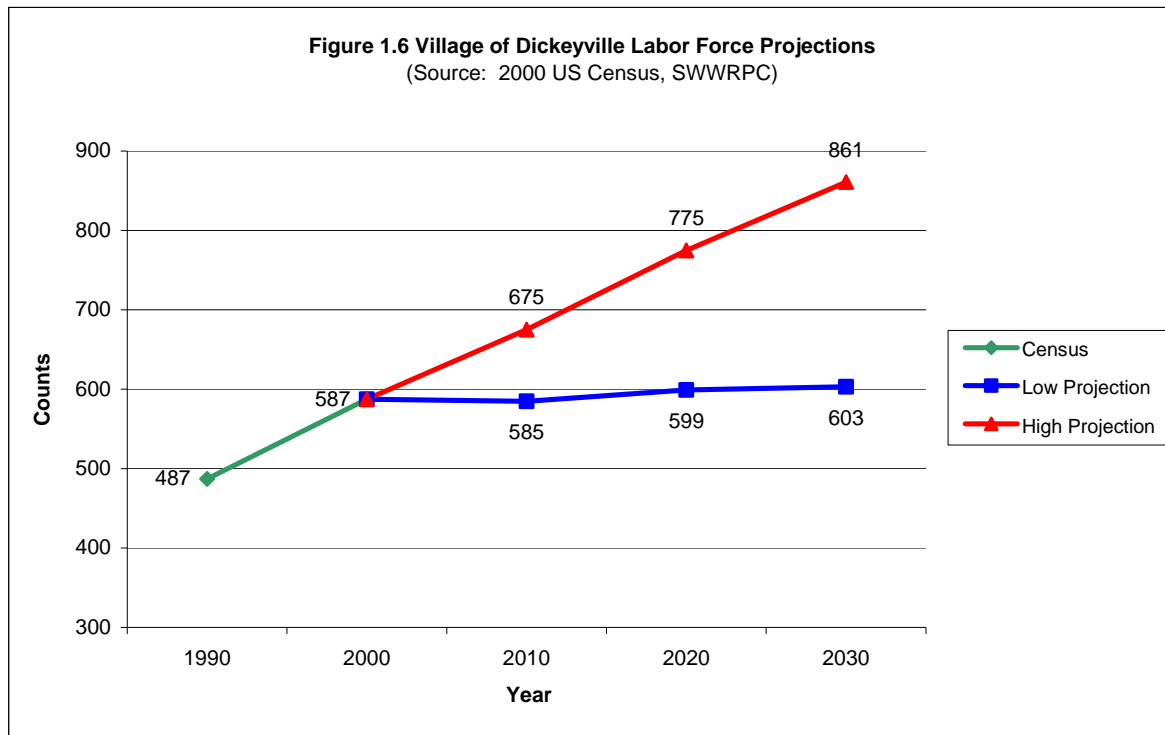


Figure 1.6 shows the projected labor force populations for the years 2010, 2020, and 2030. The red line indicates a high projection, while the blue line indicates the low projection. Labor data was not available for 1980 or 1970.

1.8 ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES AGENCIES AND PROGRAMS

At the end of each chapter of this comprehensive plan is a section that lists some of the state and federal agencies and programs that exist to help communities: it is not an exhaustive list. Many of these agencies and programs (a brief program description and contact information is given) can provide expertise or funding to help implement some of the recommendations of this comprehensive plan. Your community should contact the agency of interest to obtain the most up-to-date information. Grants.gov (see below) is one source that could be used to accrue funding for all types of projects.

GRANTS.GOV (www.grants.gov)

Grants.gov allows organizations to electronically find and apply for competitive grant opportunities from all Federal grant-making agencies. Grants.gov is the single access point for over 900 grant programs offered by the 26 Federal grant-making agencies. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is the managing partner for Grants.gov.

**ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES
CHAPTER ATTACHMENTS**

Village of Dickeyville

During September and October of 2007 a total of 397 questionnaires were sent to households in the Village of Dickeyville. A total of 103 questionnaires were returned for a return rate of 26 percent. This number of returned surveys will provide estimates that are expected to be accurate to within plus or minus 8 percent.

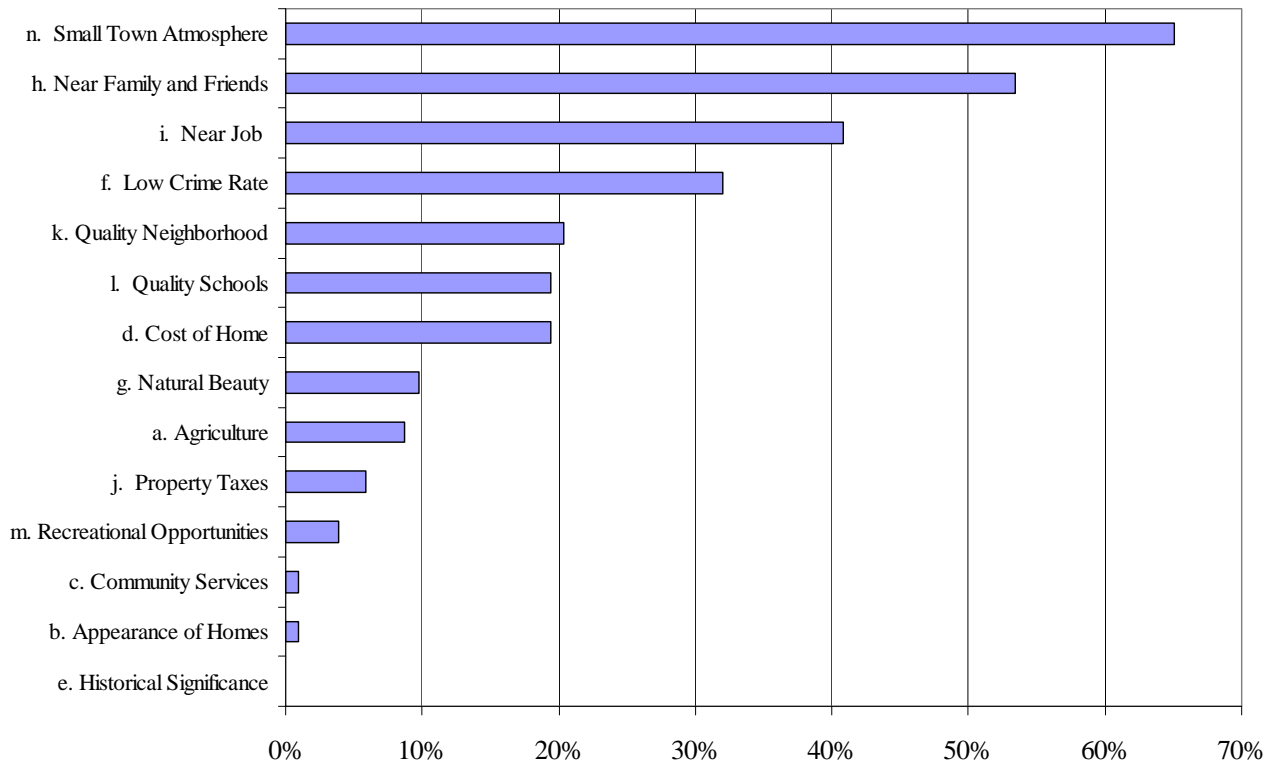
Key results of this survey include:

- The top three reasons Village of Dickeyville residents choose to live in Grant County are the small town atmosphere (65%), being near family and friends (53%), and being near their job (41%).
- Residents of the Village of Dickeyville generally give high ratings to their community facilities and services. Highest ratings were for fire protection, ambulance service, and garbage collection. Police protection had the highest fair or poor ratings at 34 percent.
- Large majorities of Village of Dickeyville residents place importance on natural and cultural resources in their community. Very high importance is placed on the protection of air quality rated at 97 percent “very important” or “important”.
- A significant majority of Village of Dickeyville residents think that the Village should focus on improving existing housing quality. A majority of residents believe that there is a need for additional single family housing, elderly housing, starter homes, and affordable housing. Additional duplexes or more apartments have less than majority support.
- By a slight margin, Village of Dickeyville residents prefer the use of traditional design (larger lots with no or little shared open space) to a cluster design (smaller lots with more shared open space) layout of house lots. This is an unusual outcome both within Grant County jurisdictions and elsewhere in Wisconsin.
- Over two-thirds of Village of Dickeyville residents feel that landowners should not be allowed to develop land any way they want.
- Over one-half of Village residents believe that the minimum lot size for rural residential development should be 1 to 5 acres.
- A very large majority of Village of Dickeyville residents (83%) report the total amount of land they own in the County is less than one acre.
- Nearly two-thirds of Village residents agree that large-scale farm expansion (500 or more animal units) should be allowed if outside a 2 mile radius of incorporated areas.
- A large majority of residents of the Village of Dickeyville feel that the overall road network meets their needs and that the condition of those roads is adequate for current uses.
- Residents of the Village of Dickeyville are quite supportive of pursuing the energy alternatives of wind and solar for economic development. Opinion about ethanol plant development is evenly split (51% support).
- Citizens in Dickeyville are overwhelmingly in favor of coordinating efforts within Grant County to actively recruit new businesses and industry.
- Strong majorities of people living in Dickeyville agree or strongly agree that all jurisdictions in the County should provide some land with infrastructure for public or private industrial and commercial development and require developments at the edge of cities and villages to have municipal sewer and water services.
- Almost all residents (99%) in the Village of Dickeyville view agricultural related businesses as either “very important” or “important” to Grant County.

SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS – QUALITY OF LIFE

- The top four reasons Village of Dickeyville residents choose to live in Grant County are the small town atmosphere (65%), being near family and friends (53%), being near their job (41%) and the low crime rate (33%).
- There is a substantial drop to the next tier of reasons given for living in Grant County; quality of the neighborhood, the quality of the school system and the cost of homes all of which were important to about 20 percent of Village respondents.
- Less than five percent of Village of Dickeyville residents indicate that recreational opportunities, community services, and the appearance of homes are among their top three reasons they choose to live in Grant County. No respondents said that historical significance was among their top three reasons they choose to live in Grant County.

Quality of Life Factors



SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS – QUALITY OF LIFE (COUNTY COMPARISON)

- Compared to Grant County as a whole, Village of Dickeyville residents are less likely to choose agriculture and natural beauty among their top three reasons for choosing to live in the County.
- They are more likely to choose the low crime rate and the quality neighborhood among their top three.

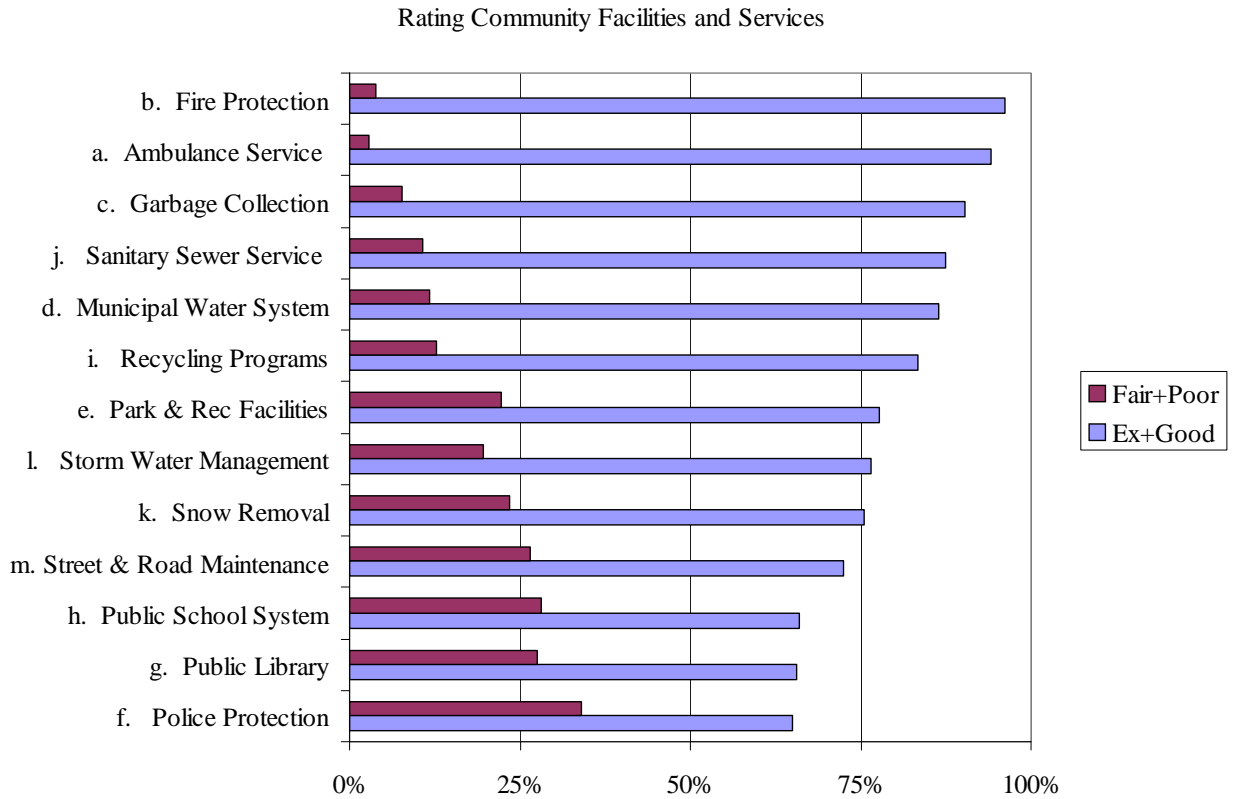
1. What are the three most important reasons you and your family choose to live in Grant County?

	Dickeyville	County		Dickeyville	County
a. Agriculture	9%	17%	i. Near Job	41%	40%
b. Appearance of Homes	1%	2%	j. Property Taxes	6%	6%
c. Community Services	1%	3%	k. Quality Neighborhood	20%	10%
d. Cost of Home	19%	17%	l. Quality Schools	19%	18%
e. Historical Significance	0%	2%	m. Recreational Opportunities	4%	9%
f. Low Crime Rate	32%	20%	n. Small Town Atmosphere	65%	58%
g. Natural Beauty	10%	24%	o. Other	6%	5%
h. Near Family and Friends	53%	56%			

SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS – COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND SERVICES

Residents of the Village of Dickeyville generally give high ratings to their community facilities and services; majorities rated all of these facilities as good or excellent.

- Highest ratings were for fire protection, ambulance service, and garbage collection.
- Police protection had the highest fair or poor ratings at 34 percent.



SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS – COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND SERVICES (COUNTY COMPARISON)

- In comparison to the overall County ratings for community services and facilities, Village of Dickeyville residents tend to rate their community services and facilities more highly than the overall County average for most facilities and services.
- They are noticeably less satisfied with the public library and public school system.

2. Rate the following local services

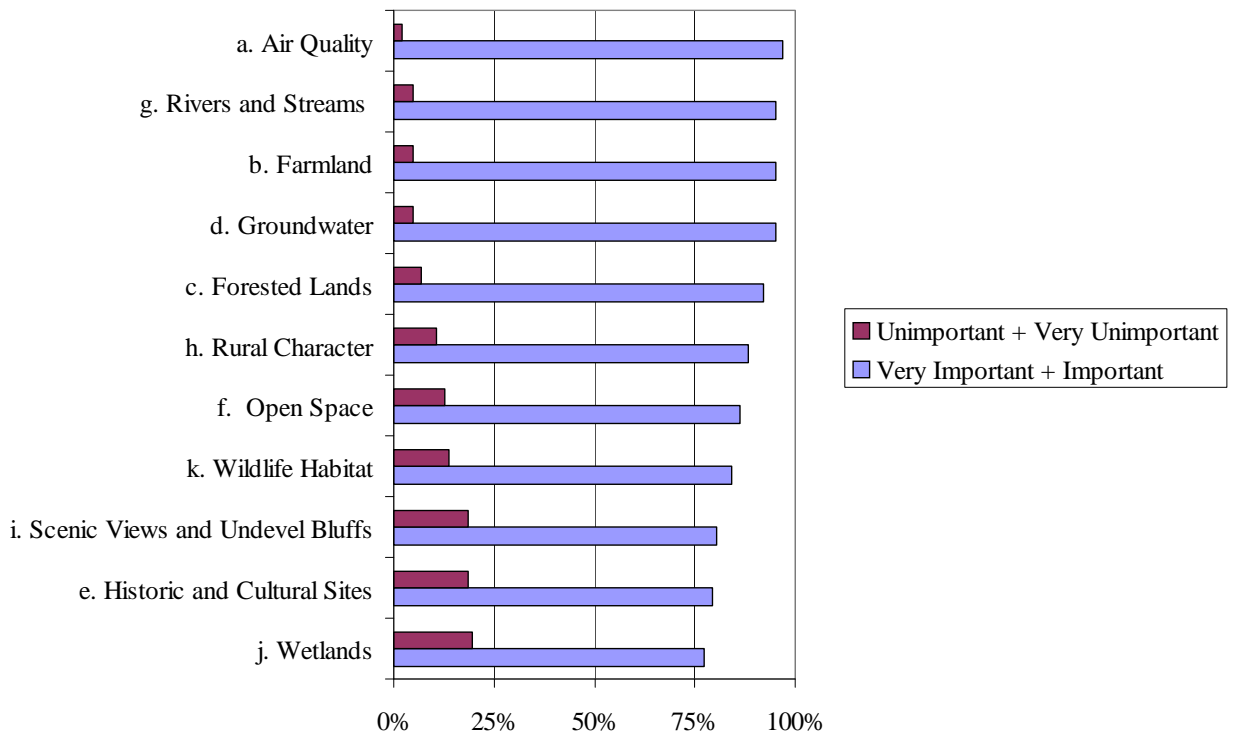
	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Not Applicable	
	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
a. Ambulance Service	69%	54%	25%	35%	3%	6%	0%	0%	3%	5%
b. Fire Protection	66%	54%	30%	39%	4%	4%	0%	0%	0%	3%
c. Garbage Collection	49%	39%	42%	39%	8%	9%	0%	2%	2%	11%
d. Municipal Water System	42%	23%	45%	38%	12%	10%	0%	2%	2%	26%
e. Park & Rec Facilities	29%	30%	49%	47%	18%	13%	4%	2%	0%	7%
f. Police Protection	15%	27%	50%	45%	21%	20%	13%	4%	1%	4%
g. Public Library	21%	33%	45%	46%	18%	11%	10%	2%	7%	8%
h. Public School System	19%	30%	47%	49%	20%	13%	8%	2%	6%	6%
i. Recycling Programs	24%	31%	60%	51%	9%	12%	4%	2%	4%	3%
j. Sanitary Sewer Service	29%	25%	58%	42%	9%	8%	2%	1%	2%	24%
k. Snow Removal	24%	27%	52%	47%	19%	17%	5%	2%	1%	7%
l. Storm Water Management	21%	16%	56%	43%	18%	16%	2%	3%	4%	22%
m. Street & Road Maintenance	18%	16%	55%	46%	22%	28%	5%	8%	1%	2%

SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS – NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

Large majorities of Village of Dickeyville residents place importance on natural and cultural resources in their community.

- The combined responses in the “very important” and “important” categories exceed 76 percent for all resources listed.
- Village of Dickeyville residents place very high importance on air quality rated at 97 percent “very important” or “important”.

Importance of Protecting Natural & Cultural Resources



SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS – NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES (COUNTY COMPARISON)

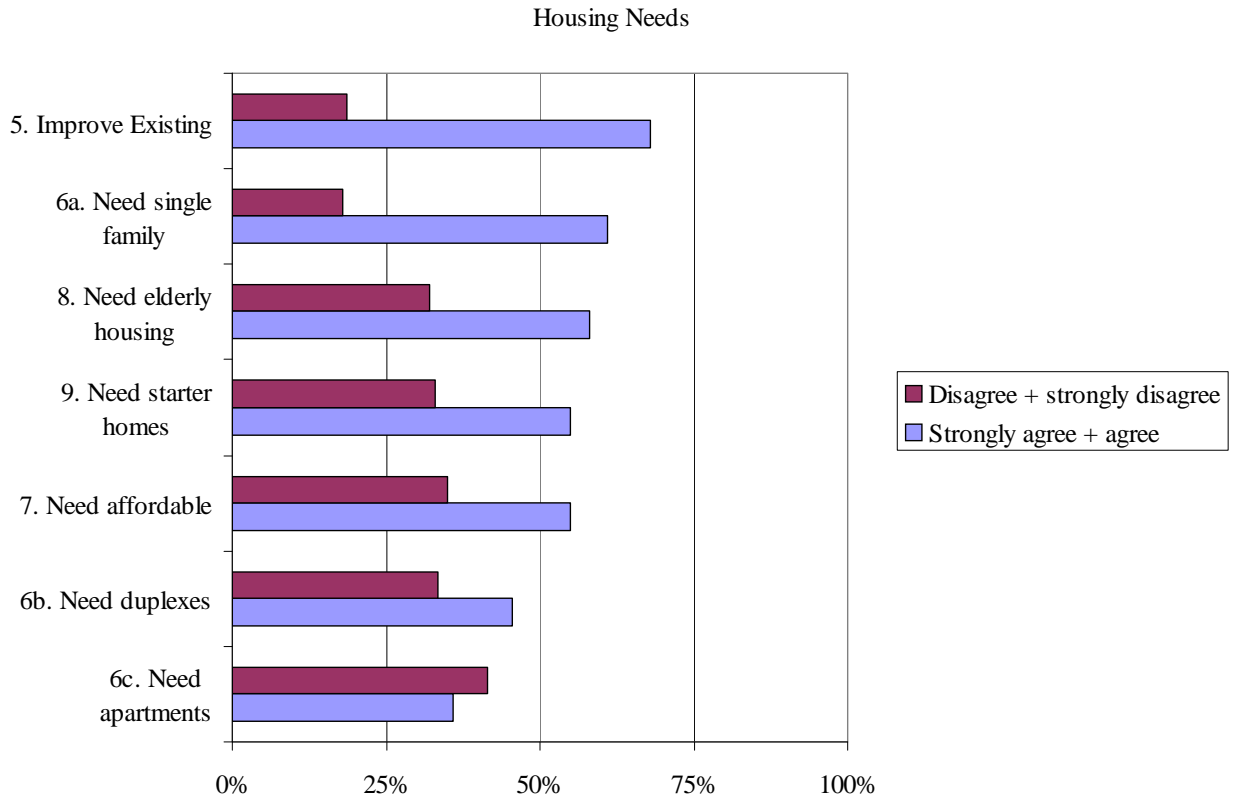
- Residents of the Village of Dickeyville place a similar high level of importance on the protection of natural and cultural resources as do County residents as a whole. In most instances, lower proportions of Dickeyville respondents said protection of these natural and cultural resources was “very important.”
- The protection of air quality received the same level of importance (97 percent “very important” or “important”) by both Village of Dickeyville residents and County residents.

4. It is important to protect the following:

	Very Important		Important		Unimportant		Very Unimportant		Not Applicable	
	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
a. Air Quality	71%	68%	26%	29%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%
b. Farmland	55%	59%	40%	37%	5%	3%	0%	1%	0%	1%
c. Forested Lands	44%	54%	49%	40%	7%	3%	0%	1%	1%	2%
d. Groundwater	58%	73%	37%	25%	5%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
e. Historic and Cultural Sites	26%	27%	53%	57%	15%	13%	4%	1%	2%	2%
f. Open Space	30%	34%	56%	53%	12%	10%	1%	1%	1%	2%
g. Rivers and Streams	56%	64%	39%	34%	4%	2%	1%	0%	0%	0%
h. Rural Character	37%	39%	51%	47%	11%	12%	0%	1%	1%	2%
i. Scenic Views & Undeveloped Bluffs	39%	46%	42%	42%	17%	9%	1%	2%	1%	1%
j. Wetlands	31%	40%	46%	41%	17%	12%	3%	2%	3%	4%
k. Wildlife Habitat	36%	47%	48%	43%	12%	7%	2%	1%	2%	2%

SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS – HOUSING

- A significant majority of Village of Dickeyville residents think that the Village should focus on improving existing housing quality.
- A narrow majority of residents believe that there is a need for additional single family housing, elderly housing, starter homes, and affordable housing.
- Additional duplexes or more apartments have less than majority support in the community.



SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS – HOUSING (COUNTY COMPARISON)

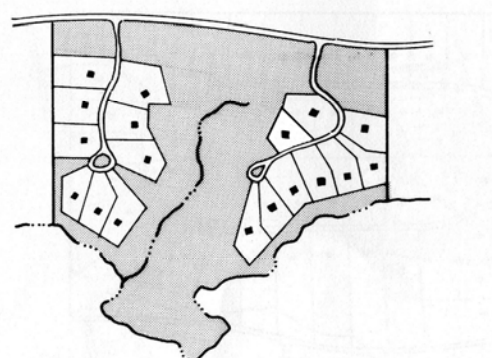
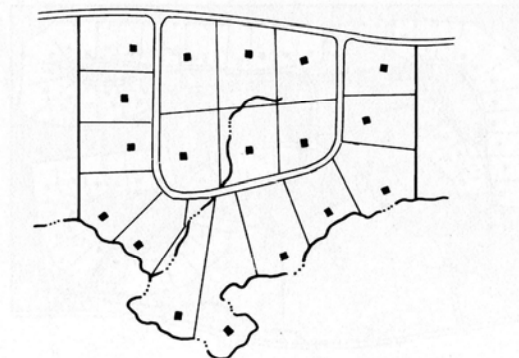
- Relative to the County, residents in the Village of Dickeyville are less sure about the need for additional affordable housing.
- Like the County, Village residents are not supportive of additional duplexes and generally do not see a need for more apartments.

	Strongly Agree		Agree		Disagree		Strongly Disagree		No Opinion	
	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
5. Improve existing housing quality.	15%	24%	53%	44%	18%	16%	1%	3%	13%	13%
6. Need following housing types:										
a. Single Family Housing	18%	19%	43%	40%	17%	15%	1%	5%	21%	21%
b. Duplexes (2 units)	6%	8%	40%	33%	28%	25%	6%	9%	21%	25%
c. Apartments (3 or more units)	7%	7%	29%	24%	30%	31%	11%	12%	22%	26%
7. Need affordable housing	16%	31%	39%	36%	29%	14%	6%	6%	10%	13%
8. Need elderly housing	14%	20%	44%	43%	28%	19%	4%	4%	10%	14%
9. Need starter homes	18%	19%	37%	37%	27%	23%	6%	4%	12%	16%

By a slight margin, Village of Dickeyville residents prefer the use of traditional design (larger lots with no or little shared open space) to a cluster design (smaller lots with more shared open space) layout of house lots. County residents preferred the cluster design of development. It is rare in Grant County and elsewhere in Wisconsin for the traditional design to outpoll the cluster design.

10. Would you prefer housing built in a traditional design (Option A) or a cluster design (Option B)?
OPTION A **OPTION B**

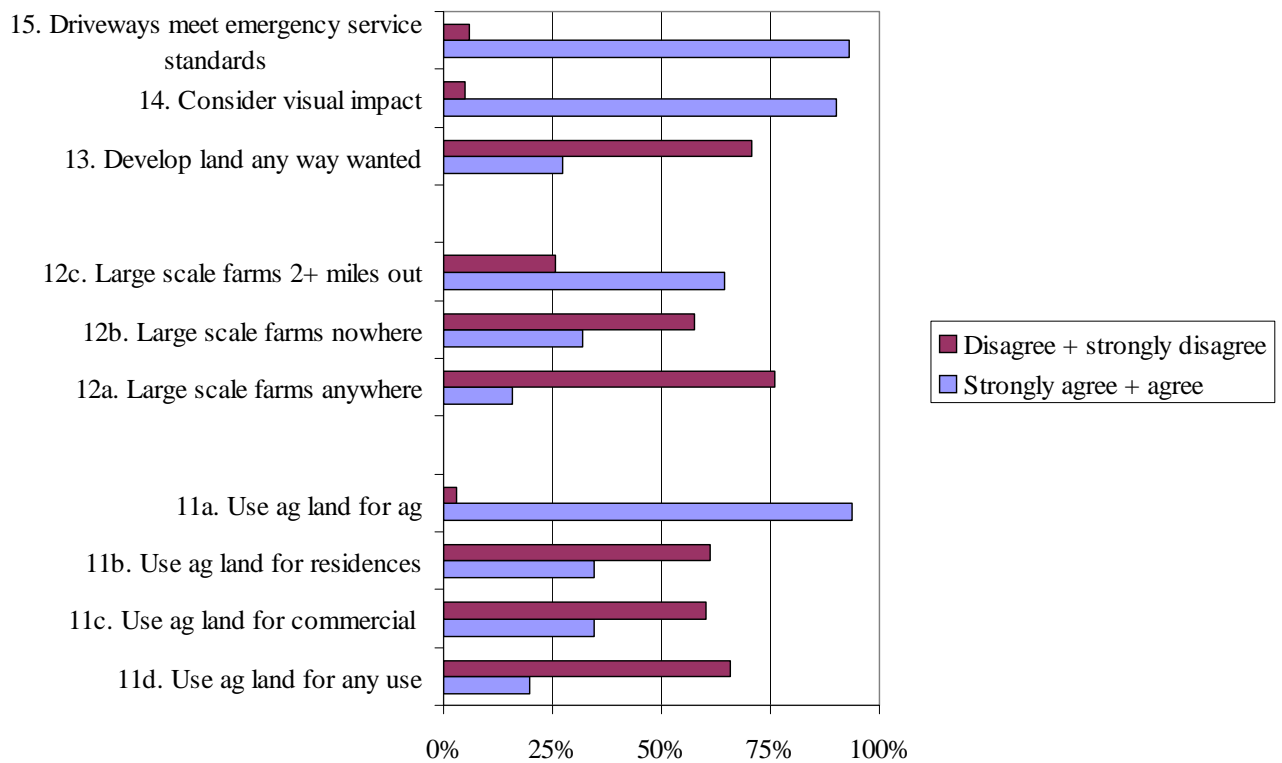
Traditional Design		Cluster Design	
Dickeyville	County	Dickeyville	County
52%	39%	48%	61%



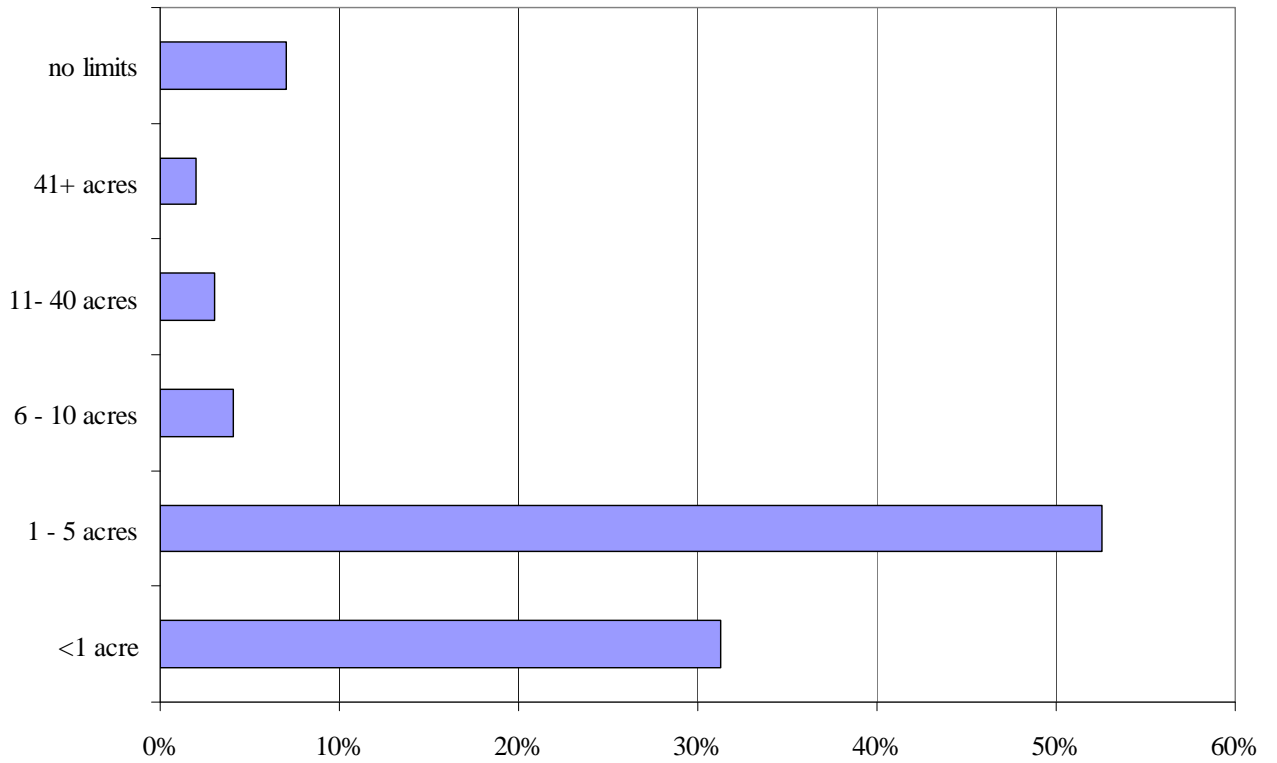
SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS – AGRICULTURE AND LAND USE

- Residents of the Village of Dickeyville feel very strongly that driveways should be required to meet standards for emergency services and that visual impacts should be considered when evaluating a proposed development.
- Over two-thirds of Village of Dickeyville residents feel that landowners should not be allowed to develop land any way they want.
- Over one-half of residents believe that the minimum lot size for rural residential development should be 1 to 5 acres (see graph on following page).
- A very large majority of Village of Dickeyville residents report the total amount of land they own in the County is less than one acre.
- With respect to the expansion of large-scale farms (500 or more animal units), Village residents are opposed to both the most restrictive alternative (prohibiting their expansion anywhere in Grant County) and the least limiting option (allowing their development anywhere in the County). Nearly two-thirds agree or strongly agree that such farms should be allowed to expand if they are outside a 2 mile radius of incorporated areas.

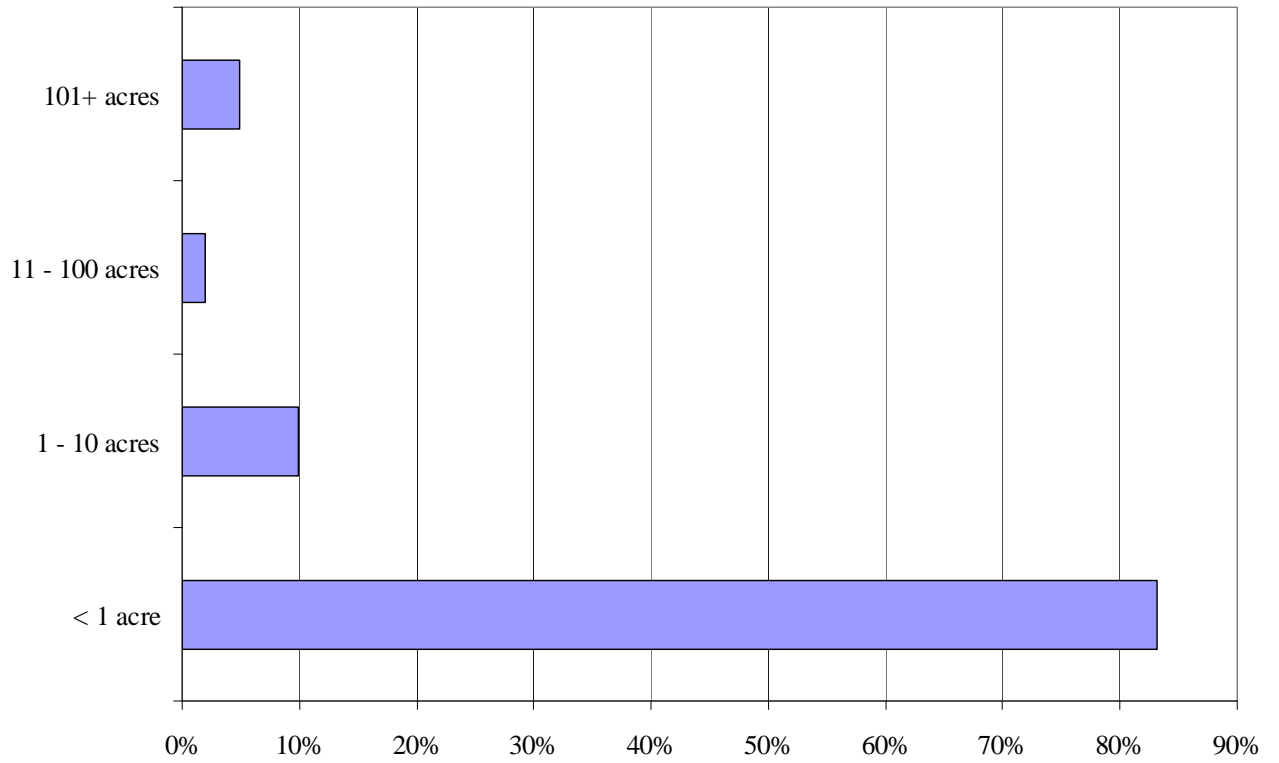
Land Use Opinions



Preferred Minimum Lot Size



Acres Owned in Grant County



SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS – AGRICULTURE AND LAND USE (COUNTY COMPARISON)

- Residents of the Village of Dickeyville share similar opinions about agriculture and land use issues with residents of the County as a whole.
- Village of Dickeyville residents are less likely to support the idea that large scale farms should be able to expand anywhere in the County.
- There is more support among Village of Dickeyville residents to the statement that productive agricultural land should be allowed to be used for commercial use.
- More Village of Dickeyville residents favor minimum lot sizes of less than 1 acre in rural areas.
- There are fewer large land holders in the Village of Dickeyville (11 acres or more) and more small land holders (less than 1 acre) than the County average.
- There are fewer residents that actively farm their land than the County average. For those residents who actively farm, a lower proportion believes their land will continue to be actively farmed in the future.

	Strongly Agree		Agree		Disagree		Strongly Disagree		No Opinion	
	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
11a. Use ag land for ag	70%	76%	23%	21%	3%	1%	0%	0%	3%	2%
11b. Use ag land for residences	11%	4%	24%	28%	45%	44%	16%	17%	4%	7%
11c. Use ag land for commercial	8%	3%	27%	19%	42%	45%	18%	26%	5%	7%
11d. Use ag land for any use	3%	4%	16%	8%	44%	40%	22%	36%	14%	12%
12. Expand lg farms (500+ an. units):										
a. Anywhere in Grant County	2%	9%	14%	17%	47%	42%	29%	23%	8%	8%
b. Nowhere in Grant County	10%	12%	22%	14%	40%	44%	17%	19%	11%	12%
c. 2 miles outside inc areas	26%	23%	39%	39%	17%	17%	9%	9%	10%	12%
13. Develop land any way wanted	6%	11%	21%	17%	50%	52%	21%	18%	2%	2%
14. Consider visual impacts of development	27%	28%	63%	57%	4%	9%	1%	2%	5%	5%
15. Driveways meet EMS standards	35%	38%	58%	52%	6%	6%	0%	0%	1%	4%

16. There should be a minimum lot size on residential development in rural areas.

Strongly Agree		Agree		Disagree		Strongly Disagree		No Opinion	
Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
20%	24%	50%	48%	13%	16%	4%	5%	14%	8%

17. In your opinion, what should the minimum lot size be for rural residential development?

Less than 1 acre		1 to 5 acres		6 to 10 acres		11 to 40 acres		41 or more acres		No Limitation	
Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
31%	19%	53%	49%	4%	13%	3%	5%	2%	4%	7%	11%

18. How many acres of land do you own in Grant County?

Less Than 1 acre		1-10 acres		11-100 acres		101 acres or more	
Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
83%	60%	10%	17%	2%	10%	5%	13%

19. Do you actively farm the land you own?

Yes		No		Not Applicable	
Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
5%	14%	65%	55%	30%	31%

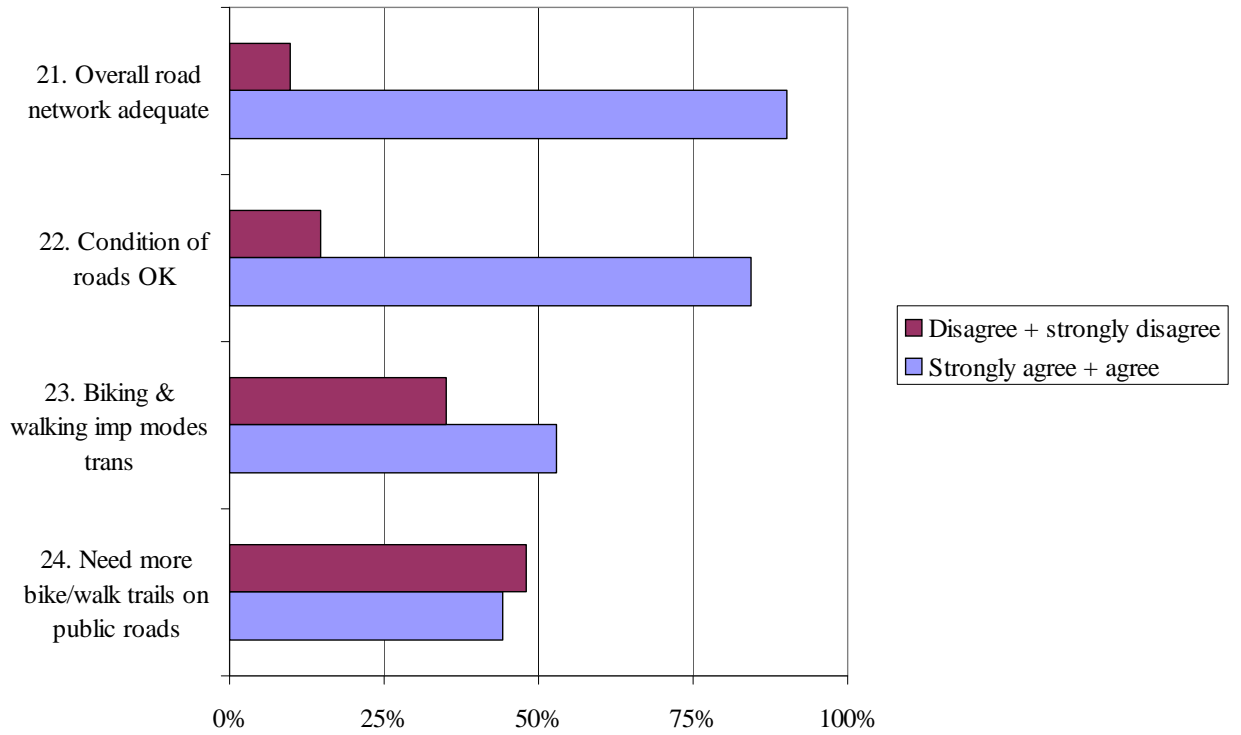
20. Do you think your land will be actively farmed (by you or someone else) in the next:

0-5 years		6-10 years		11-15 years		16-20 years		Not Applicable	
Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
4%	10%	1%	6%	2%	6%	5%	13%	86%	74%

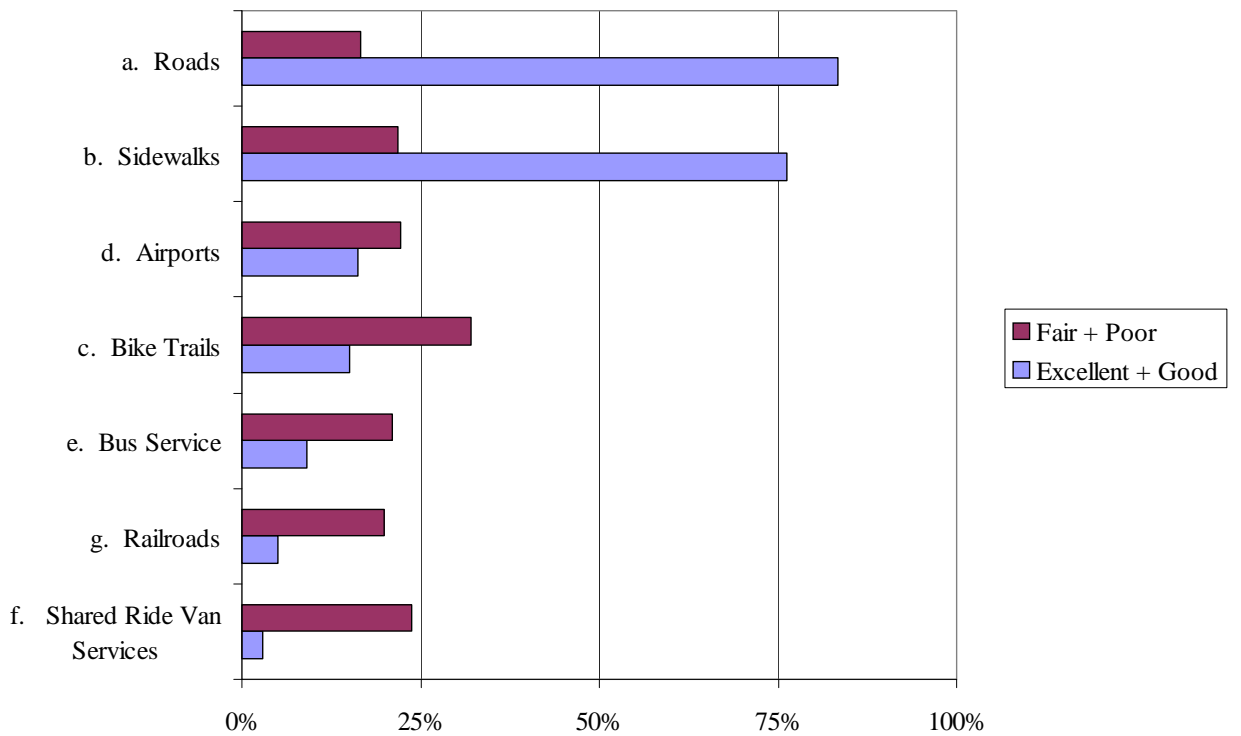
SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS – TRANSPORTATION

- A large majority of residents of the Village of Dickeyville feel that the overall road network meets their needs and that the condition of those roads is adequate for current uses.
- A slight majority (53%) of residents of the Village of Dickeyville believes that biking and walking are important modes of transportation in the Village; opinions are closely divided on whether more biking and walking lanes along public roadways are needed.
- Overall, residents feel that the roads and sidewalks are “excellent” or good,” but substantial numbers did not rate other transportation modes.

Transportation Opinions



Transportation Quality in Local Jurisdiction



SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS – TRANSPORTATION (COUNTY COMPARISON)

- Relative to the County, residents in the Village of Dickeyville are less likely to agree that biking and walking are important modes of transportation in their jurisdiction and are less likely to see a need for more biking and walking lanes along public roadways.

21-24. Transportation issues

	Strongly Agree		Agree		Disagree		Strongly Disagree		No Opinion	
	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
21. Road network meets needs	18%	14%	73%	74%	9%	9%	1%	2%	0%	1%
22. Condition of roads adequate	18%	11%	67%	64%	13%	20%	2%	3%	1%	1%
23. Biking & walking imp modes trans	14%	18%	39%	44%	26%	22%	9%	5%	12%	11%
24. Need more bike & walk lanes on pub roads	19%	24%	25%	34%	34%	23%	14%	9%	8%	10%

- Residents in the Village of Dickeyville rate their roads and sidewalks higher than the County average.
- With the exception of rating roads and sidewalks, substantial proportions of residents in the County, as well as, residents from the Village of Dickeyville did not rate the transportation items listed; comparisons between the County and Village responses are not meaningful.

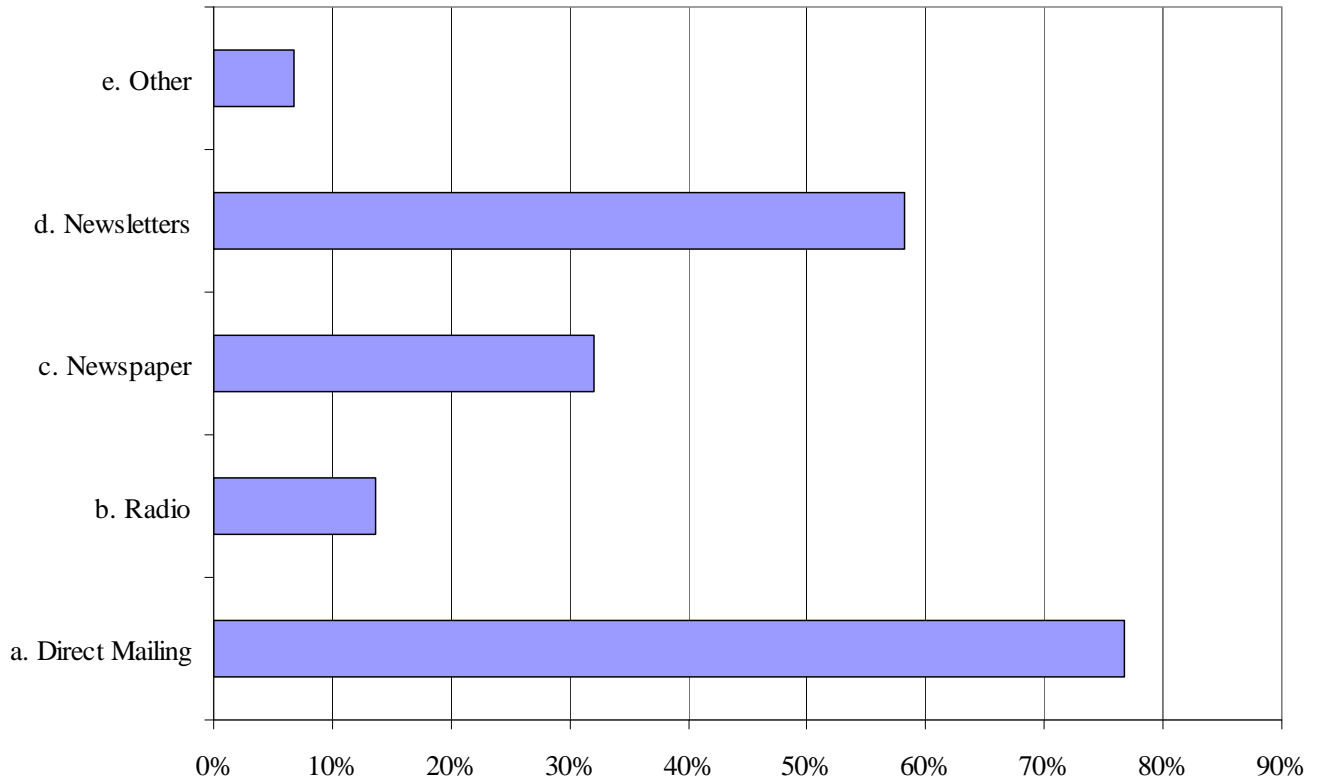
25. Rate the following for your local jurisdiction

	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Not Applicable	
	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
a. Roads	17%	12%	67%	59%	13%	22%	4%	6%	0%	0%
b. Sidewalks	12%	6%	64%	39%	20%	28%	2%	6%	2%	22%
c. Bike Trails	4%	3%	11%	17%	17%	19%	15%	16%	53%	44%
d. Airports	2%	6%	14%	30%	17%	16%	5%	4%	62%	43%
e. Bus Service	1%	1%	8%	4%	7%	3%	14%	20%	70%	72%
f. Shared Ride Van Services	0%	0%	3%	9%	13%	11%	11%	16%	73%	64%
g. Railroads	0%	2%	5%	11%	9%	10%	11%	13%	75%	64%
h. Other	0%	3%	0%	9%	0%	1%	9%	12%	91%	75%

SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS - COMMUNICATION

- Residents of the Village of Dickeyville prefer to receive information about comprehensive planning via direct mailings (77%).
- More than half (58%) of residents chose newsletters among their top two choices.

Communication Preferences for Comp Plan Info



SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS – COMMUNICATIONS (COUNTY COMPARISON)

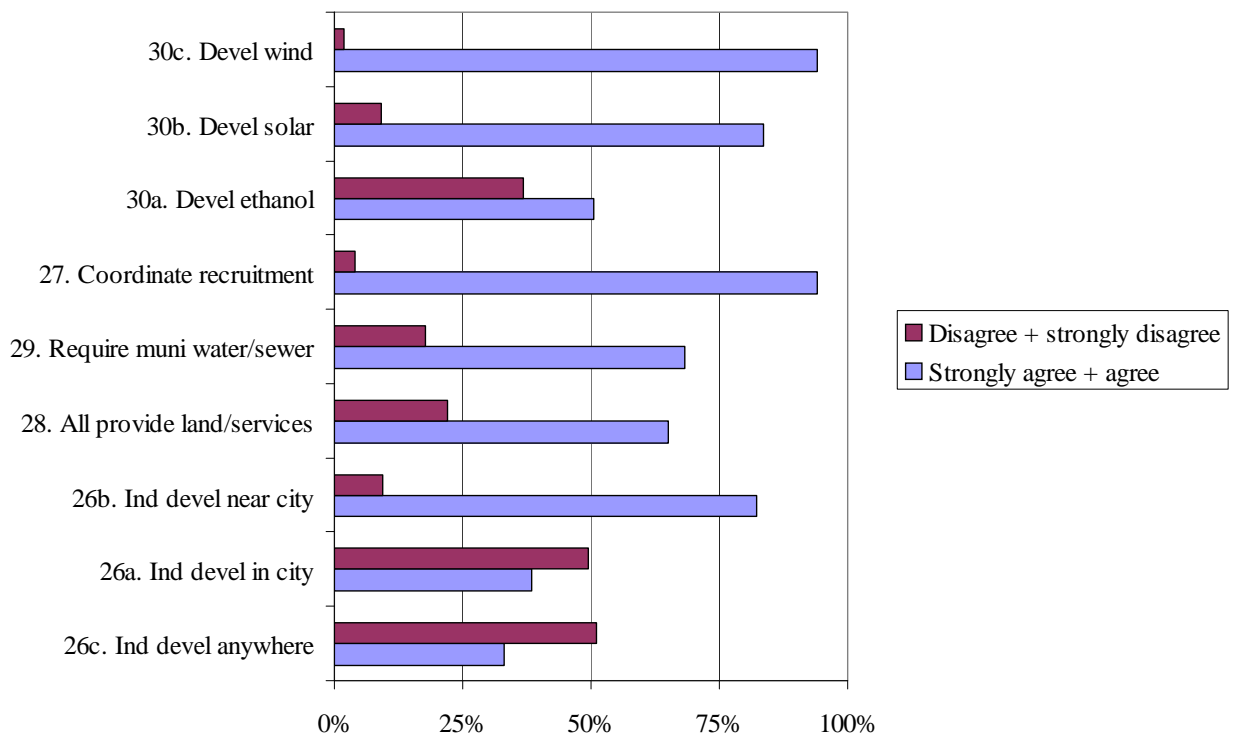
- In comparison to the County, residents of the Village of Dickeyville hold fairly similar views about the most effective ways a jurisdiction could provide comprehensive planning information to its landowners and residents. Direct mailing was the most preferred method for receiving comprehensive planning information, with newsletters second.

3. What are 2 most effective ways your jurisdiction could provide Comprehensive Planning information to landowners and residents?		
	Dickeyville	Cnty
a. Direct Mailing	77%	70%
b. Radio	14%	21%
c. Newspaper	32%	44%
d. Newsletters	58%	56%
e. Other	7%	4%

SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

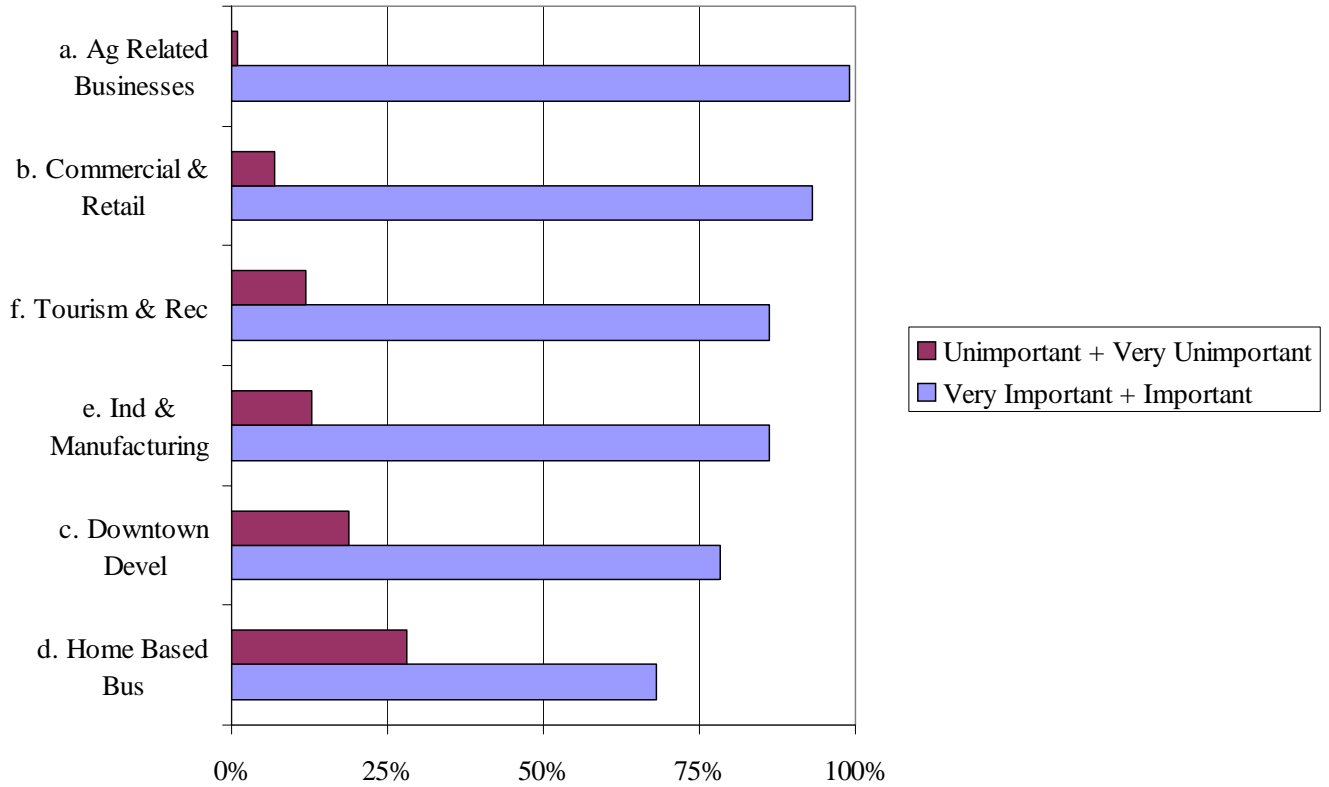
- Residents of the Village of Dickeyville are quite supportive of pursuing the energy alternatives of wind and solar for economic development. Ethanol plant development has slight majority (51%) support and a considerable amount of opposition.
- Citizens in Dickeyville are overwhelmingly in favor of coordinating efforts within Grant County to actively recruit new businesses and industry.
- Strong majorities of people living in Dickeyville agree or strongly agree that all jurisdictions in the County should provide some land with infrastructure for public or private industrial and commercial development and require developments at the edge of cities and villages to have municipal sewer and water services.
- There is overwhelming agreement in Dickeyville that commercial or industrial buildings and activities should be located near a city or village rather than within an existing city or village (39%) or allowed anywhere in the County (33%).

Economic Development Opinions



- Almost all residents (99%) in the Village of Dickeyville view agricultural related businesses as either “very important” or “important” to Grant County.
- Each of the six types of business development described in the questionnaire had at least 68 percent of Village respondents viewing it as very important or important.

Importance of Business Development



SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (COUNTY COMPARISON)

- Village of Dickeyville residents were generally less supportive of commercial and industrial buildings and activities involving truck traffic and manufacturing in an existing city or village.
- Relative to the County, residents feel slightly more strongly that jurisdictions should provide at least some land with infrastructure for industrial and commercial uses.

	Strongly Agree		Agree		Disagree		Strongly Disagree		No Opinion	
	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
26. Commercial or industrial buildings and activities involving truck traffic and manufacturing should be located:										
a. In an existing city or a village	7%	14%	32%	39%	42%	28%	8%	7%	12%	12%
b. Near a city or village	21%	16%	61%	63%	7%	8%	2%	3%	8%	10%
c. Anywhere in Grant County	9%	7%	24%	19%	45%	38%	6%	20%	16%	16%
27. Coordinate business recruitment	49%	53%	45%	40%	3%	2%	1%	2%	2%	3%
28. Provide land & infrastructure for industry/commerce	21%	16%	44%	43%	19%	19%	3%	7%	13%	15%
29. Required muni water & sewer	21%	26%	48%	45%	18%	11%	0%	4%	14%	14%

- Residents of the Village of Dickeyville give similar high support of pursuing alternative solar and wind energy as do County residents as a whole. As was true with the County, Village residents are less enthusiastic about ethanol plants as a form of economic development.

30. Grant County jurisdictions should pursue the following energy alternatives as a form of economic development:

	Strongly Agree		Agree		Disagree		Strongly Disagree		No Opinion	
	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
a. Ethanol Plants	19%	22%	32%	33%	33%	23%	4%	9%	13%	13%
b. Solar Energy	38%	39%	46%	45%	9%	5%	0%	1%	7%	10%
c. Wind Energy	51%	48%	43%	43%	2%	2%	0%	2%	4%	6%
d. Other	13%	28%	0%	8%	0%	0%	0%	0%	88%	63%

- Residents of the Village of Dickeyville have marginally lower levels of interest in downtown development and tourism and recreation based businesses than the overall County average.

31. Rate the importance of the following:

	Very Important		Important		Unimportant		Very Unimportant		Not Applicable	
	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
a. Ag Related Business	48%	59%	51%	38%	1%	2%	0%	0%	0%	1%
b. Commercial & Retail	30%	33%	63%	59%	7%	7%	0%	1%	0%	1%
c. Downtown Devel	24%	31%	54%	52%	16%	11%	3%	2%	3%	4%
d. Home-Based Bus	25%	17%	43%	54%	28%	22%	0%	3%	4%	4%
e. Ind & Manufacturing	29%	40%	57%	50%	13%	8%	0%	1%	1%	1%
f. Tourism & Rec	35%	36%	51%	55%	11%	7%	1%	1%	2%	1%

SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS – DEMOGRAPHICS

The demographic profile of Village of Dickeyville residents matches that of the County in many ways, with a few exceptions:

- The Village of Dickeyville has more households with annual household incomes of \$25,000-\$49,999 and fewer households with an annual income of \$50,000-\$74,999.
- The Village of Dickeyville has more respondents who have lived in Grant County for 25 years or more.

35. Gender

Male		Female	
Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
57%	53%	43%	47%

36. Age

18-24		25-34		35-44	
Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
0%	0%	11%	7%	15%	13%
45-54		55-64		65 and older	
Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
20%	23%	23%	22%	32%	35%

37. Employment Status

Emp Full Time		Emp Part Time		Self Employed	
Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
46%	44%	7%	6%	9%	10%
Unemployed		Retired		Other	
Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
1%	1%	37%	37%	1%	1%

38. Place of Residence

Own		Rent		Other	
Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
97%	99%	2%	1%	1%	0%

39. Number of Adults (18+) in Household

0		1		2	
Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
		21%	20%	66%	71%
3		4		5+	
Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
11%	7%	2%	2%	0%	1%

40. Number of Children (under 18) in Household

0		1		2	
Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
72%	67%	15%	14%	13%	11%
3		4		5+	
Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
0%	7%	0%	1%	0%	0%

41. Household Income

Under \$15,000		\$15K - \$24,999		\$25K - \$49,999	
Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
8%	7%	8%	14%	43%	33%
\$50K - \$74,999		\$75K - \$99,999		\$100,000+	
Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
15%	25%	18%	15%	8%	6%

42. Years Lived in Grant County

Less than 1		1-4		5-9	
Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty
0%	1%	4%	5%	3%	9%
10-24		25+			
Dville	Cnty	Dville	Cnty		
12%	14%	81%	71%		

Village of Dickeyville Written Comments

32. Is there anything about living in Grant County that you don't like?

Tax Issues (14 Comments)

- Taxes (4x)
- High property taxes (3x)
- High taxes (2x)
- Property taxes (2x)
- High Taxes - property and income taxes
- House taxes
- Income taxes

Jobs (5 comments)

- Lack of good paying jobs /w health insurance benefits, mostly paid by the company. 80/20 -80% company pays, 20% paid by employees. Plus more variety of paying jobs, not just PCW or CNA's employment.
- Lack of jobs and property taxes as compared to our next door neighbors - Dubuque, IA
- Many of us have to drive to Dubuque to find decent jobs. Grant County needs to get more development/jobs.
- Not enough larger manufacturing or other plants, not enough employment
- Wages - job opportunities

Governance (3 comments)

- Dickeyville town board - Town boards that attempt to use private property for a town dump (Smelser).
- Too many old county board members; should cut in half to stream line. Work to get new ideas from youth.
- We have far too many supervisors on the board in this county. We have as many as Milwaukee and Dane county.

Police/Safety (3 comments)

- Dickeyville police
- Poor police protection of property rights.
- Sheriffs Dept is the worst I have ever seen

Housing Issues (2 comments)

- More out in the country houses for sale OR vacant land
- The one unit houses built near Cuba City should be built in Cuba. Not a house here and there. There's going to be water problems in the future.

Transportation/Roads/Distance (2 comments)

- Gas prices too high- today fuel is over 40 cents cheaper a gallon ten minutes away in Dubuque!
- Some roads- hwy 61 Dickeyville to Fennimore rough. Hwy 80 Platteville to Monford.

Lack of Shopping/Distance to Shop (1 comment)

- There's no big name brand shops

Land Use/Zoning (1 comment)

- I DON'T like good farmland being eaten up by homes being built on huge lots. How are we going to feed people 200 or 33 years from now in the tillable land is all residential? Check the land outside of Cuba City. They aren't making land like that anymore!

Like County/Jurisdiction (1 comment)

- No, I like Grant County

Nothing/No (1 comment)

- No

School Issues (1 comment)

- Schools continuing to try to pass referendum(s) for more unneeded costs- once defeated, it is brought back to vote, vote, and continues until passed.

Miscellaneous (1 comment)

- Postal Service to the home rather than have to go to the Post Office

33. If you could change one thing in your local jurisdiction what would it be?**Taxes (15 comments)**

- Lower Taxes! (2x)
- Property taxes (2x)
- Taxes (2x)
- A way to lower taxes
- High property taxes, squabbles over picky ordinances (i.e. day related ordinances)
- I would like to see property taxes reduced or capped
- Income taxes
- Lower property taxes, it might be time to lift the tax freeze on Agricultural land. Look at the prices them farmers are selling for. I know I was trying to buy one!
- Lower taxes for schools and town it is a burden on a lot of retired people and young people getting started. Higher education is getting more costly and college teachers are getting too big of raises (not all college teachers).
- Lower Wisconsin's taxes
- Raise crate and truck business fees so as to lower property tax or gas tax
- Taxes in Dickeyville are VERY high. I know several young people who have moved out of town or don't want to live in town due to the high taxes. We must get taxes lowered!

Police/Safety (8 comments)

- Cops
- Dickeyville should have no police dept and pay Grant Co a fee for service
- Have local police stop speeding, stop sitn (?) violation, seat belt violation - no SMV's on Gained Tracture, etc. No tickets are written or very few. We have school in session; very much in need of stepping up violations.
- I would have a police dept. I could reach, not having to call Lancaster for protection.
- Local police service
- More efficient police officers.
- More late night police patrols. Kids crime needs to be watched a little closer
- Police officer is overpaid and not accountable/available when needed.

Governance (6 comments)

- City government
- City hall
- Have Village board that weren't just men
- Mayor
- More resident input to local Village board actions. More effort by Village elected officials to attract businesses in the Village.
- Village clerk tries to run the village

Environmental/Cultural/Recreational Issues (3 comments)

- Have a local compost site. City pick-up leaves at curb for composting. More support for local school district - protect our community schools. Consolidation leads to demise of our communities.
- I would like to see a bike trail in or near our town
- We need a place to dispose of tree, brush trimmings and garden waste without waiting for 1 or 2 yearly pickups

Jobs (3 comments)

- More large businesses-better paying jobs
- More local jobs to keep Wisc residents working and spending here
- Need more businesses, lower property taxes, give schools more money to balance budgets

Housing Issues (2 comments)

- Allow housing in Paris Township!
- More upscale housing - sub divisions

Land Use/Zoning (2 comments)

- Land use development planning

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- Village had opportunity 20 years ago to purchase 15-30 acres off main hwy. for future commercial development and didn't exercise the option. No is in farm ground and portion residential lots for sale.

Social Issues (2 comments)

- Bring people back to the grass roots of life. God, family, and neighbors. Place God back into our schools!!
- Clannish attitude of most rural residents.

Economic Development (1 comment)

- Small businesses

Miscellaneous (4 comments)

- For the snow plows to fill our drive way after we have opened it up. There must be some way they could clean the streets and divert the snow away from the drive-ways.
- I wish the mail would be delivered to the house rather than having to go to the post office to get it.
- Let our dogs alone
- The junk yard near Kieler be fenced in

34. Other comments:**Social Issues (2 comments)**

- Basically a retirement community
- More social support through our churches and communities. By lower property taxes, or incentives for future businesses to support social developments that support families, child care, comp days for illness or pregnancy, and marriage counseling, AO/DA programs, etc. Personalize the benefit package.

Economic Development (1 comment)

- Grant County needs to develop business interest in the area. At this time, Platteville is the only locations in the county with major retail and other business opportunities. This is causing decreased enrollment in the schools and dwindling population numbers. With no job incentives, young people are forced to go elsewhere.

Environmental/Cultural/Recreational Issues (1 comment)

- Keep county greener. Require all villages to have yard waste pickup at least once a month. This would eliminate road side ditch dumping.

Governance (1 comment)

- Extremely high wages for elected officials.

Housing Issues (1 comment)

- We don't have new houses like other towns and were not growing

Jobs (1 comment)

- Thank you to Jeff Kaiser for opening a large company to bring jobs to the area

Tax Issues (1 comment)

- Taxes too high for residents.