



Dialogues in Democracy: Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness

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NATIONAL SELF ADMINISTERED REGISTRATION QUESTIONNAIRE

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4. If a one (1) represents the view that the government is trying to do too many things that should be left to individuals and businesses and a seven (7) represents the view that the government is not doing enough to solve our country's problems, where would you place yourself on this scale?

Government doing too much						Government not doing enough	Don't know
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

5. Some people think the government should promote traditional values in our society. Others think the government should not favor any particular set of values. Which comes closer to your own view? (Please circle one)

- A. Government should promote traditional values
- B. Government should not favor any set of values
- C. No opinion

On a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 is completely unimportant, 10 is extremely important, and 5 is exactly in between, how important do you think each of the following is to being a good citizen? If you have an opinion, please circle 11.

6. Voting in elections

Completely unimportant		Exactly in between		Extremely important	Don't know						
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

7. Discussing politics with others

Completely unimportant		Exactly in between		Extremely important	Don't know						
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

8. Being informed about politics and political issues

Completely unimportant		Exactly in between		Extremely important	Don't know						
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

9. Serving one's country through military or other public service

Completely unimportant	Exactly in between	Extremely important	Don't know								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

10. Actively participating as a member of a civic, political or community organization

Completely unimportant	Exactly in between	Extremely important	Don't know								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

11. How much influence do you think someone like you can have over local government decisions?
(Please circle one)

- A. A lot
- B. Some
- C. Very little
- D. None at all

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Please circle one answer for each of the following questions.

1. Which of the following counties do you live in?

- A. Johnson County, Kansas
- B. Wyandotte County, Kansas
- C. Clay County, Missouri
- D. Jackson County, Missouri
- E. Platte County, Missouri

2. When I think about the safety of the roads and bridges in my state, I am...

- A. Very worried. They don't seem safe at all.
- B. Fairly worried. We have some trouble spots.
- C. Fairly confident. I think most problems have been handled.
- D. Very confident. The roads and bridges are very safe.

3. The most important goal of transportation spending should be...

- A. To improve economic development
- B. To get workers to jobs
- C. To reduce traffic congestion
- D. Other (please explain) _____
- E. I haven't thought much about this

4. In considering public transportation, please tell us which **one** factor is most important to you. Please only circle the ONE you believe is most important.

- A. The time it takes to reach my destination.
- B. How reliable it is in getting me where I need to go, and on time.
- C. My sense of personal safety.
- D. My sense that other people like me use this form of public transportation.
- E. The cost.
- F. Helping air quality in the local environment.
- G. Avoiding the stress of driving and being able to do something else with the time, like read or listen to music.

5. Which is the second most important? (Please only circle one)

- A. The time it takes to reach my destination.
- B. How reliable it is in getting me where I need to go, and on time.
- C. My sense of personal safety.
- D. My sense that other people like me use this form of public transportation.
- E. The cost.
- F. Helping air quality in the local environment.
- G. Avoiding the stress of driving and being able to do something else with the time, like read or listen to music.

6. Metro Kansas City is very spread out and has low population density. Higher density would make it easier to operate public transit like light rail and buses. Using the scale below, where 1 stands for strongly support and 5 stands for strongly oppose, please tell us how you would feel about requiring that new developments be higher density?

**Strongly
support**

**Strongly
oppose**

1 2 3 4 5

Please tell us how much you agree or disagree with the following statement.

7. People who choose to live in the suburbs shouldn't expect to have access to public transportation. Please use the scale below, where 1 stands for strongly agree and 5 stands for strongly disagree.

**Strongly
agree**

**Strongly
disagree**

1 2 3 4 5

Please circle one answer for each of the following questions.

8. Would you support or oppose paying somewhat more in city/county sales tax to pay for a regional light rail system?

- A. Support
- B. Oppose
- C. Not sure

9. Would you support paying somewhat more in city/county sales tax to pay for a fast, reliable regional bus system?

- A. No, I would not be willing to pay more
- B. Yes, up to \$15 per year
- C. Yes, up to \$25 per year
- D. Yes, up to \$40 per year
- E. Yes, up to \$50 per year
- F. Yes, up to \$75 per year
- G. Not sure

10. Would you support paying somewhat more in city/county sales tax to pay for a regional light rail system?

- A. No, I would not be willing to pay more
- B. Yes, up to \$15 per year
- C. Yes, up to \$25 per year
- D. Yes, up to \$40 per year
- E. Yes, up to \$50 per year
- F. Yes, up to \$75 per year
- G. Not sure

Again, using a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 stands for strongly agree and 5 stands for strongly disagree, please tell us how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

11. Any new funding for transportation in the metro area should be used only to improve streets and roads, instead of more public transportation.

**Strongly
agree**

**Strongly
disagree**

1 2 3 4 5

12. I think that the cities and counties in the region should pool their money to pay for a regional public transportation system.

**Strongly
agree**

**Strongly
disagree**

1 2 3 4 5

13. I think that we should have a regional public transportation plan, but not pool our funds. Each city and county should pay its own way.

**Strongly
agree**

**Strongly
disagree**

1 2 3 4 5

14. If Kansas City built a light-rail system that ran from Swope Park through downtown and up to KCI Airport, would you use it?

- A. Yes, I would ride it several times a week.
- B. Yes, I would ride it once or twice a month.
- C. Yes, I would ride it a few times a year.
- D. No, I would never use it.

15. If Kansas City built a light-rail system that ran from the Plaza and connected major points of interest through downtown into the River Market, would you use it?

- A. Yes, I would ride it several times a week.
- B. Yes, I would ride it once or twice a month.
- C. Yes, I would ride it a few times a year.
- D. No, I would never use it.