Bermuda Omnibus Survey

A Syndicated Quarterly Survey of the Bermuda Community

Results
for

Department of National Drug Control

Field Dates:	June 19th – July 2nd, 2015
Population:	Bermuda Residents (18+)
Sample:	400
Sampling Error:	+/-4.9% (19 in 20 Samples)

All results are expressed as a percentage

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Second Quarter 2015

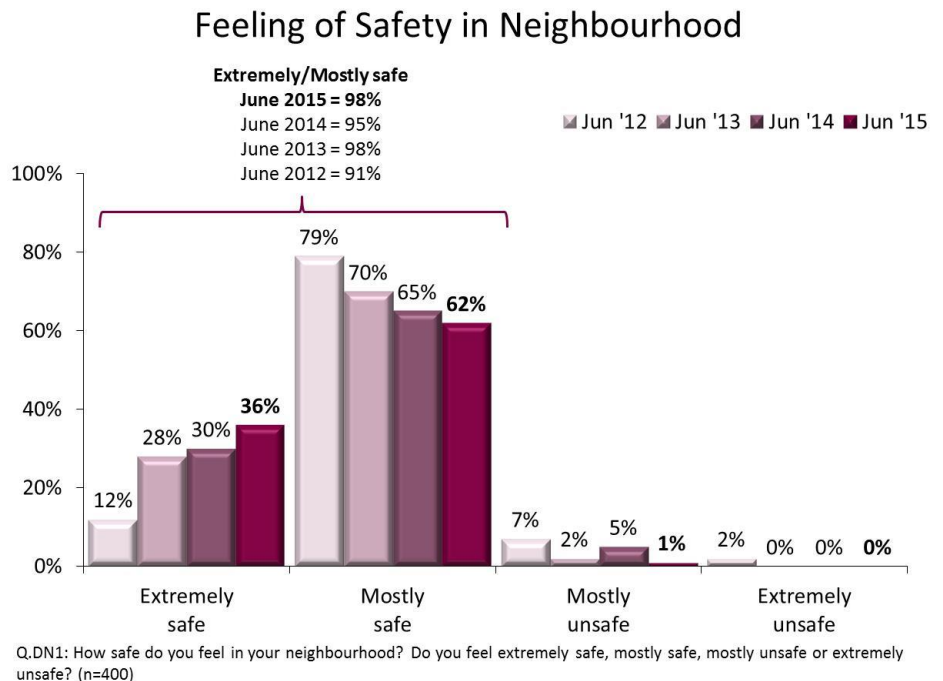## Summary Report for Department of National Drug Control (DNDC)

The following are commissioned results for the DNDC's commissioned questions from the latest **Bermuda Omnibus Survey©** *a syndicated quarterly survey of Bermuda residents. The survey consisted of telephone interviews with a representative sample of 400 Bermuda residents conducted between June 19th and July 2nd, 2015. A sample of this size drawn from the population provides results accurate to within plus or minus 4.9 percent in 19 out of 20 samples.*

Safety in Neighbourhood

Bermuda residents continue to feel increasingly safe in their neighbourhood.

Concerns relating to crime have been a common issue for Bermuda residents over the past number of years. In order to assess feelings of personal safety, residents were asked how safe they felt in their own neighbourhood. Results show that nearly all residents feel either **extremely** (36% compared with 30% in June 2014) or **mostly** (62% compared with 65%) safe in their neighbourhood. Interestingly, the degree of feeling safe has increased compared to previous results, particularly among those who report feeling *extremely* safe which has improved notably since 2012. Few residents report feeling **unsafe** to any extent in their own neighbourhood (1% down from 5%) and no one reported feeling extremely unsafe in their neighbourhood.
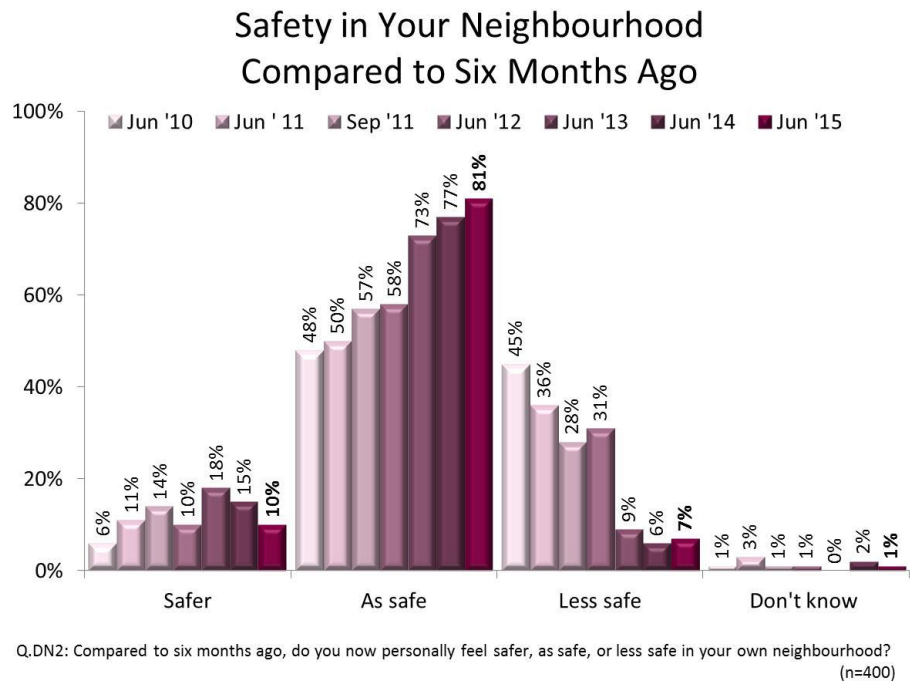
Of note, those with lower household incomes are more likely to report feeling ***extremely safe*** in their neighbourhood, compared with those who have higher household incomes. Across the region, residents of Hamilton/St. George's/ Smiths are most likely, and residents of Pembroke/ Devonshire are least likely, to indicate they feel ***extremely safe*** in their respective neighbourhoods. (Table DN1)

Feeling of Safety in Neighbourhood

Extremely/Mostly safe
June 2015 = 98%
June 2014 = 95%
June 2013 = 98%
June 2012 = 91%

Legend: Jun '12, Jun '13, Jun '14, Jun '15

Extremely safe: 12%, 28%, 30%, 36%
Mostly safe: 79%, 70%, 65%, 62%
Mostly unsafe: 7%, 2%, 5%, 1%
Extremely unsafe: 2%, 0%, 0%, 0%

Q.DN1: How safe do you feel in your neighbourhood? Do you feel extremely safe, mostly safe, mostly unsafe or extremely unsafe? (n=400)

Residents generally feel as safe or safer in their neighbourhood than they did six months ago.

Residents were asked about their current feelings of safety in their neighbourhood compared to those from six months ago. The majority of Bermuda residents report feeling **as safe** (81%, compared with 77% in June 2014) as they were half a year ago, although slightly fewer feel **safer** (10%, down from 15%). Positively, few feel their neighbourhoods have become **less safe** (7%, compared with 6%), consistent with 2013 and 2014 results.

Of note, residents with annual household incomes below $75K are more likely than their more affluent counterparts to feel safer. As well, black residents are more likely than white residents to believe they are safer than six months ago. (Table DN2)

Safety in Your Neighbourhood Compared to Six Months Ago

Legend: Jun '10, Jun '11, Sep '11, Jun '12, Jun '13, Jun '14, Jun '15

Safer: 6%, 11%, 14%, 10%, 18%, 15%, **10%**

As safe: 48%, 50%, 57%, 58%, 73%, 77%, **81%**

Less safe: 45%, 36%, 28%, 31%, 9%, 6%, **7%**

Don't know: 1%, 3%, 1%, 1%, 0%, 2%, **1%**

Q.DN2: Compared to six months ago, do you now personally feel safer, as safe, or less safe in your own neighbourhood? (n=400)
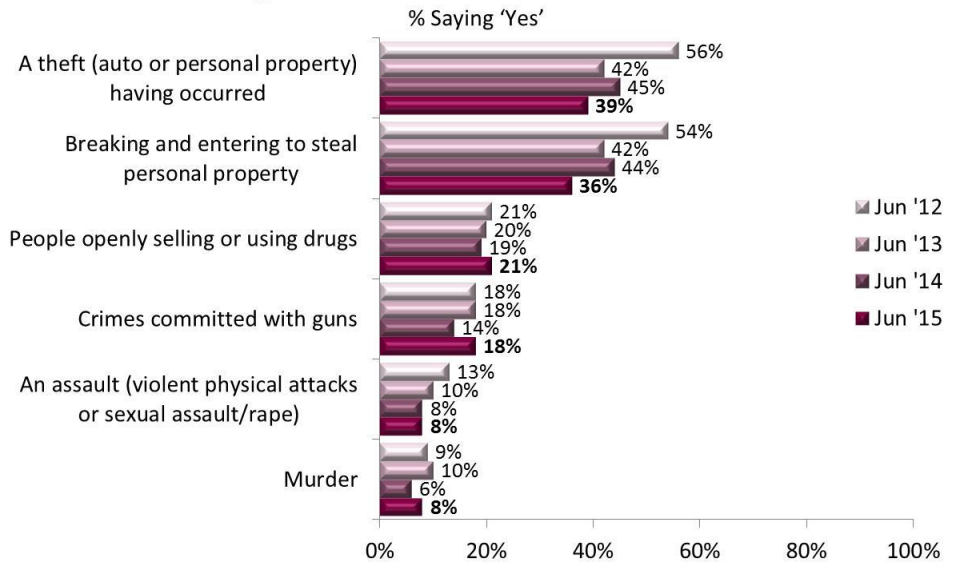
Crimes Committed in Neighbourhood

Residents recall less theft and breaking and entering crimes in their neighbourhood this year.

Residents were asked which types of crime have occurred in their neighbourhood in the past year. Consistent with previous findings, ***theft*** remains the most commonly noted crime, as four-in-ten residents (39%, compared with 45% in June 2014) are aware of cars or personal property being stolen, while a similar number (36%, down from 44%) are aware of ***breaking and entering to steal personal property,*** a decrease from one year ago. Drug-related or violent crime is recalled in relatively few neighbourhoods with two-in-ten being aware of ***people openly selling or using drugs*** (21%, compared with 19%), a similar number indicate having heard of ***gun crimes*** (18%, compared with 14%). Moreover, one-in-ten residents (8% unchanged) indicate that an ***assault*** had occurred in their neighbourhood in the past year, while the same number knew of a ***murder*** that happened in their neighbourhood within the past 12 months (8%, compared with 6%). (Table DN3a-f)

Some differences are evident between parishes and demographics. Across parishes, residents of Sandys/Southampton are most likely, while residents of Hamilton/St. George's/ Smiths are least likely, to mention breaking and entering. Meanwhile, residents of Sandys/Southampton and Pembroke/Devonshire are more likely than residents of other parishes to recall higher levels of drug-related and gun crime as well as murder in their neighbourhood.

Across the population, those aged 18 to 34 years are more likely than their older counterparts to recall theft in their neighbourhood, while higher income earners and white residents are more likely to recall breaking and entering crime. Drug crime is more commonly recalled by those in the lowest income category and black residents, while men are more likely than women to recall gun crimes in their neighbourhood. Finally, recall of assault is more likely among older residents, while murder is more likely recalled among those in the lowest income category.

Types of Crime Known to Have Occurred in Neighbourhood in Past 12 Months
% Saying 'Yes'

A theft (auto or personal property) having occurred
- 56%
- 42%
- 45%
- **39%**

Breaking and entering to steal personal property
- 54%
- 42%
- 44%
- **36%**

People openly selling or using drugs
- 21%
- 20%
- 19%
- **21%**

Crimes committed with guns
- 18%
- 18%
- 14%
- **18%**

An assault (violent physical attacks or sexual assault/rape)
- 13%
- 10%
- 8%
- **8%**

Murder
- 9%
- 10%
- 6%
- **8%**

Legend:
- Jun '12
- Jun '13
- Jun '14
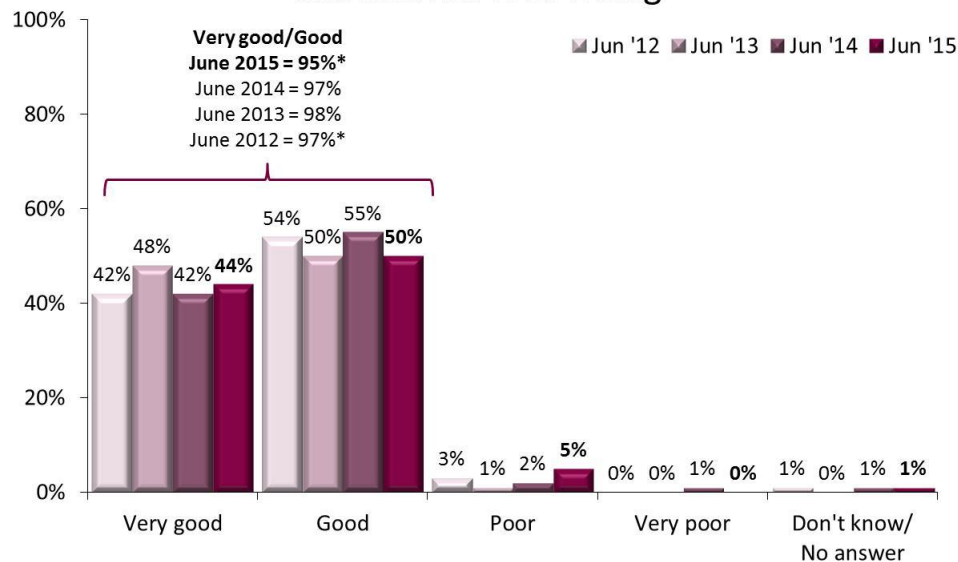- Jun '15

0%   20%   40%   60%   80%   100%

Q.DN3a-f: Which of the following types of crimes do you know to have occurred in your neighbourhood in the past 12 months? Do you know of: (n=400)

Perception of Overall Health

Most Bermuda residents preceive themselves to be in good health. Although very small, an increasing proportion believe they are in poor health.

In order to measure perceptions of overall physical and mental well-being, respondents were asked how they would rate their own health. Virtually all residents consider themselves to be healthy (95%, compared with 97% in June 2014). More specifically, one-half indicate their health is **good** (50%, compared with 55%), while over four-in-ten residents describe their health as being **very good** (44%, compared with 42%). Meanwhile, a small but increasing proportion of the population, (5%, up from 2%), indicate their health is **poor**, while no residents give an answer of **very poor**. (Table DN4)

Rating of Own Health in Terms of Physical and Mental Well-Being

Very good/Good
June 2015 = 95%*
June 2014 = 97%
June 2013 = 98%
June 2012 = 97%*

Legend: Jun '12, Jun '13, Jun '14, Jun '15

Category	Jun '12	Jun '13	Jun '14	Jun '15
Very good	42%	48%	42%	44%
Good	54%	50%	55%	50%
Poor	3%	1%	2%	5%
Very poor	0%	0%	1%	0%
Don't know/No answer	1%	0%	1%	1%

Q.DN4: Overall, how would you rate your own health in terms of physical and mental well-being? Would you say you are in very good, good, poor, or very poor health? (n=400) *Due to rounding.*

Ratings of personal health vary by demographics with lower income households offering poorer ratings of health than those with higher household incomes. In addition, black residents are more likely to offer poorer ratings of personal health than white residents.

Survey Questionnaire

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DN1.   How safe do you feel in your neighbourhood? Do you feel… **[READ RESPONSES. ALLOW ONE RESPONSE ONLY]**

1   Extremely safe
2   Mostly safe
3   Mostly unsafe
4   Extremely unsafe
[VOLUNTEERED]
8   Don't know/no answer

DN2.   Compared to six months ago, do you now personally feel **[READ RESPONSES]** in your own neighbourhood? **[ALLOW ONE RESPONSE ONLY]**

1   Safer
2   As safe, or
3   Less safe
[VOLUNTEERED]
8   Don't know

DN3.   Which of the following types of crimes do you know to have occurred in your neighbourhood in the past 12 months? Do you know of **[READ RESPONSES…]**

a)   People openly selling or using drugs?
b)   A theft (auto or personal property) having occurred?
c)   Breaking and entering to steal personal property?
d)   An assault (violent physical attacks or sexual assault/rape)?
e)   Crimes committed with guns?
f)   Murder?

1   Yes
2   No
[VOLUNTEERED]
8   Don't know

DN4.   Overall, how would you rate your own health in terms of physical and mental well-being? Would you say you are in… **[READ. ALLOW ONE RESPONSE ONLY]** health?

    1   Very good
    2   Good
    3   Poor or
    4   Very poor
    [VOLUNTEERED]
    7   Refused
    8   Don't know/no answer

Tabular Results

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TABLE DN1:

How safe do you feel in your neighbourhood? Do you feel extremely safe, mostly safe, mostly unsafe, or extremely unsafe?

	BERMUDA OVERALL %	PARISH				GENDER		HSHLD. INCOME			AGE			RACE		BERMU - DIAN?	
		Sndy/ Sthp	War/ Paget	Pem/ Devon	Ham/ Sm/SG	-M-	-F-	L.T. $75K	$75 - L.T. $150K	$150K plus	18 - 34	35 - 54	55+	Black	White	Yes	No
Extremely safe	36	39	34	25	45	37	35	43	37	28	49	34	35	36	35	35	49
Mostly safe	62	58	65	73	54	61	63	54	62	70	51	65	62	62	64	63	51
Mostly unsafe	1	2	1	1	0	2	0	3	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	1	0
Extremely unsafe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Don't know/No answer	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	0	2	0	1	1	0
WEIGHTED SAMPLE SIZE (#)	**400**	**101**	**90**	**95**	**110**	**190**	**210**	**131**	**125**	**111**	**51**	**219**	**131**	**215**	**127**	**365**	**35**
UNWEIGHTED SAMPLE SIZE (#)	**400**	**88**	**97**	**98**	**113**	**150**	**250**	**134**	**120**	**107**	**23**	**138**	**239**	**165**	**192**	**364**	**35**
% EXTREMELY/MOSTLY SAFE	98	97	98	99	99	98	99	97	99	98	100	99	97	98	99	98	100
% MOSTLY/EXTREMELY UNSAFE	1	2	1	1	0	2	0	3	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	1	0

TABLE DN2:

Compared to six months ago, do you now personally feel safer, as safe, or less safe in your own neighbourhood?

	BERMUDA OVERALL %	PARISH				GENDER		HSHLD. INCOME			AGE			RACE		BERMU - DIAN?	
		Sndy/ Sthp	War/ Paget	Pem/ Devon	Ham/ Sm/SG	-M-	-F-	L.T. $75K	$75 - L.T. $150K	$150K plus	18 - 34	35 - 54	55+	Black	White	Yes	No
Safer	10	9	6	12	14	13	9	19	3	9	8	11	12	13	6	10	20
As safe	81	80	85	82	79	82	81	72	92	80	83	81	82	80	85	82	78
Less safe	7	11	9	6	3	4	10	7	4	11	9	7	6	7	8	8	0
Don't know	1	1	0	0	3	2	0	2	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	1	2
WEIGHTED SAMPLE SIZE (#)	**400**	**101**	**90**	**95**	**110**	**190**	**210**	**131**	**125**	**111**	**51**	**219**	**131**	**215**	**127**	**365**	**35**
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TABLE DN3a:

Which of the following types of crimes do you know to have occurred in your neighbourhood in the past 12 months? Do you know of:

People openly selling or using drugs?

	BERMUDA OVERALL %	PARISH				GENDER		HSHLD. INCOME			AGE			RACE		BERMU - DIAN?	
		Sndy/ Sthp	War/ Paget	Pem/ Devon	Ham/ Sm/SG	-M-	-F-	L.T. $75K	$75 - L.T. $150K	$150K plus	18 - 34	35 - 54	55+	Black	White	Yes	No
Yes	21	31	13	27	12	23	18	31	16	15	26	23	16	26	10	22	11
No	77	67	84	70	86	76	78	66	82	83	71	76	81	72	88	76	84
Don't know	2	2	3	3	2	1	3	3	2	2	3	1	3	3	2	2	5
WEIGHTED SAMPLE SIZE (#)	400	101	90	95	110	190	210	131	125	111	51	219	131	215	127	365	35
UNWEIGHTED SAMPLE SIZE (#)	400	88	97	98	113	150	250	134	120	107	23	138	239	165	192	364	35

TABLE DN3b:

Which of the following types of crimes do you know to have occurred in your neighbourhood in the past 12 months? Do you know of:

A theft (auto or personal property) having occurred?

	BERMUDA OVERALL %	PARISH				GENDER		HSHLD. INCOME			AGE			RACE		BERMU - DIAN?	
		Sndy/ Sthp	War/ Paget	Pem/ Devon	Ham/ Sm/SG	-M-	-F-	L.T. $75K	$75 - L.T. $150K	$150K plus	18 - 34	35 - 54	55+	Black	White	Yes	No
Yes	39	42	46	34	35	41	37	37	40	42	50	39	34	38	41	40	28
No	60	57	54	65	63	58	62	61	59	57	50	60	63	61	57	59	72
Don't know	1	1	0	1	2	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	3	1	2	1	0
WEIGHTED SAMPLE SIZE (#)	400	101	90	95	110	190	210	131	125	111	51	219	131	215	127	365	35
UNWEIGHTED SAMPLE SIZE (#)	400	88	97	98	113	150	250	134	120	107	23	138	239	165	192	364	35

TABLE DN3c:

Which of the following types of crimes do you know to have occurred in your neighbourhood in the past 12 months? Do you know of:

Breaking and entering to steal personal property?

	BERMUDA OVERALL %	PARISH				GENDER		HSHLD. INCOME			AGE			RACE		BERMU - DIAN?	
		Sndy/ Sthp	War/ Paget	Pem/ Devon	Ham/ Sm/SG	-M-	-F-	L.T. $75K	$75 - L.T. $150K	$150K plus	18 - 34	35 - 54	55+	Black	White	Yes	No
Yes	36	45	34	39	25	31	39	29	41	40	34	36	36	30	42	36	27
No	63	55	64	60	74	68	59	71	57	60	66	63	63	69	57	63	73
Don't know	1	0	2	1	1	0	2	0	2	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
WEIGHTED SAMPLE SIZE (#)	400	101	90	95	110	190	210	131	125	111	51	219	131	215	127	365	35
UNWEIGHTED SAMPLE SIZE (#)	400	88	97	98	113	150	250	134	120	107	23	138	239	165	192	364	35

TABLE DN3d:

Which of the following types of crimes do you know to have occurred in your neighbourhood in the past 12 months? Do you know of:

An assault (violent physical attacks or sexual assault/rape)?

	BERMUDA OVERALL %	PARISH				GENDER		HSHLD. INCOME			AGE			RACE		BERMU - DIAN?	
		Sndy/ Sthp	War/ Paget	Pem/ Devon	Ham/ Sm/SG	-M-	-F-	L.T. $75K	$75 - L.T. $150K	$150K plus	18 - 34	35 - 54	55+	Black	White	Yes	No
Yes	8	11	7	5	11	11	6	9	11	7	0	9	11	9	8	9	3
No	91	88	93	95	89	89	93	89	89	92	97	91	89	90	91	91	92
Don't know	1	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	3	0	0	1	1	0	5
WEIGHTED SAMPLE SIZE (#)	400	101	90	95	110	190	210	131	125	111	51	219	131	215	127	365	35
UNWEIGHTED SAMPLE SIZE (#)	400	88	97	98	113	150	250	134	120	107	23	138	239	165	192	364	35

TABLE DN3e:

Which of the following types of crimes do you know to have occurred in your neighbourhood in the past 12 months? Do you know of:

Crimes committed with guns?

	BERMUDA OVERALL %	PARISH				GENDER		HSHLD. INCOME			AGE			RACE		BERMU - DIAN?	
		Sndy/ Sthp	War/ Paget	Pem/ Devon	Ham/ Sm/SG	-M-	-F-	L.T. $75K	$75 - L.T. $150K	$150K plus	18 - 34	35 - 54	55+	Black	White	Yes	No
Yes	18	27	10	28	7	22	13	23	16	16	14	22	11	19	10	18	12
No	81	71	90	70	92	77	85	76	83	83	82	77	87	80	88	81	83
Don't know	1	2	0	2	2	1	2	2	1	1	3	1	1	1	2	1	5
WEIGHTED SAMPLE SIZE (#)	400	101	90	95	110	190	210	131	125	111	51	219	131	215	127	365	35
UNWEIGHTED SAMPLE SIZE (#)	400	88	97	98	113	150	250	134	120	107	23	138	239	165	192	364	35

TABLE DN3f:

Which of the following types of crimes do you know to have occurred in your neighbourhood in the past 12 months? Do you know of:

Murder?

	BERMUDA OVERALL %	PARISH				GENDER		HSHLD. INCOME			AGE			RACE		BERMU - DIAN?	
		Sndy/ Sthp	War/ Paget	Pem/ Devon	Ham/ Sm/SG	-M-	-F-	L.T. $75K	$75 - L.T. $150K	$150K plus	18 - 34	35 - 54	55+	Black	White	Yes	No
Yes	8	15	4	10	4	9	7	14	8	4	14	8	5	10	4	9	1
No	92	85	96	90	96	91	93	86	92	96	86	92	94	90	96	91	99
Don't know	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
WEIGHTED SAMPLE SIZE (#)	400	101	90	95	110	190	210	131	125	111	51	219	131	215	127	365	35
UNWEIGHTED SAMPLE SIZE (#)	400	88	97	98	113	150	250	134	120	107	23	138	239	165	192	364	35

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TABLE DN4:

Overall, how would you rate your own health in terms of physical and mental well-being? Would you say you are in very good, good, poor, or very poor health?

	BERMUDA OVERALL %	PARISH				GENDER		HSHLD. INCOME			AGE			RACE		BERMU - DIAN?	
		Sndy/ Sthp	War/ Paget	Pem/ Devon	Ham/ Sm/SG	-M-	-F-	L.T. $75K	$75 - L.T. $150K	$150K plus	18 - 34	35 - 54	55+	Black	White	Yes	No
Very good	44	40	40	46	50	41	48	37	45	51	54	44	41	39	47	43	54
Good	50	56	53	43	47	52	47	49	51	48	46	50	50	53	50	50	46
Poor	5	4	5	10	2	6	5	13	3	0	0	6	6	8	1	6	0
Very poor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Don't know/No answer	1	1	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	3	0	2	1	0
Refused	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WEIGHTED SAMPLE SIZE (#)	**400**	**101**	**90**	**95**	**110**	**190**	**210**	**131**	**125**	**111**	**51**	**219**	**131**	**215**	**127**	**365**	**35**
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% VERY GOOD/GOOD	95	96	95	90	98	94	95	87	97	100	100	94	94	92	99	94	100
% POOR/VERY POOR	5	4	5	10	2	6	5	13	3	0	0	6	6	8	1	6	0