

Table 17
2001 Survey of Older Minnesotans
Statewide Population 55+
Description of Current Health Status

	Total Number	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor or Very Poor
State Total	2,475	25.3%	52.4%	17.8%	4.5%
Age					
55-59	452	33.6%	49.6%	13.1%	3.8%
60-64	391	32.5%	50.4%	13.0%	4.1%
65-74	914	25.4%	53.4%	16.8%	4.4%
75-84	573	16.2%	55.0%	23.7%	5.1%
85+	119	11.8%	52.1%	27.7%	8.4%
Gender					
Male	928	25.2%	52.9%	16.7%	5.2%
Female	1,548	25.3%	52.1%	18.4%	4.1%
Marital Status*					
Married	1,708	27.5%	53.5%	15.7%	3.3%
Not Married	756	20.4%	50.0%	22.4%	7.3%
Living Arrangement*					
Lives Alone	629	20.2%	50.4%	22.7%	6.7%
Lives with Others	1,843	27.1%	53.0%	16.1%	3.8%
Education*					
Less than High School	340	13.2%	51.5%	27.6%	7.6%
High School Graduate	895	21.1%	54.6%	19.8%	4.5%
Post-Secondary	1,225	31.8%	51.0%	13.4%	3.8%
Per Capita Income*					
Less than \$12,000	355	12.4%	51.3%	27.0%	9.3%
\$12,000 - \$17,999	398	18.3%	55.8%	19.3%	6.5%
\$18,000 - \$29,999	480	28.8%	52.3%	14.8%	4.2%
\$30,000+	521	37.8%	47.8%	12.3%	2.1%
Region					
NE	397	22.2%	54.7%	18.6%	4.5%
W	385	21.8%	55.1%	19.7%	3.4%
SE	513	25.1%	52.6%	17.7%	4.5%
Metro	1,181	27.5%	50.7%	16.9%	4.9%

*Differences are statistically significant.

Survey Question:

In general, would you describe your current health status as excellent, good, fair, poor, or very poor?