

**Table 28**  
**2001 Survey of Older Minnesotans**  
**Statewide Population 55+**  
**Any Difficulty Preparing Meals**

	Total Number	Has Difficulty Preparing Meals	No Difficulty Preparing Meals
<b>State Total</b>	2,484	2.8%	97.2%
<b>Age*</b>			
55-59	452	1.8%	98.2%
60-64	390	0.5%	99.5%
65-74	916	2.6%	97.4%
75-84	578	4.2%	95.8%
85+	121	6.6%	93.4%
<b>Gender</b>			
Male	932	1.8%	98.2%
Female	1,552	3.4%	96.6%
<b>Marital Status</b>			
Married	1,712	2.0%	98.0%
Not Married	762	4.5%	95.5%
<b>Living Arrangement</b>			
Lives Alone	632	3.3%	96.7%
Lives with Others	1,847	2.5%	97.5%
<b>Education</b>			
Less than High School	341	4.7%	95.3%
High School Graduate	897	2.2%	97.8%
Post-Secondary	1,229	2.6%	97.4%
<b>Per Capita Income*</b>			
Less than \$12,000	358	5.6%	94.4%
\$12,000 - \$17,999	401	3.2%	96.8%
\$18,000 - \$29,999	481	1.5%	98.5%
\$30,000+	522	0.6%	99.4%
<b>Region</b>			
NE	399	3.0%	97.0%
W	387	2.8%	97.2%
SE	513	1.8%	98.2%
Metro	1,184	3.0%	97.0%

\*Differences are statistically significant.

Survey Question:

Do you have any difficulty preparing your own meals because of a health or physical problem?