

**Table 44**  
**2001 Survey of Older Minnesotans**  
**Statewide Population 55+**  
**Concerns About Getting Older and Needing Care**

|                           | Total<br>Number | A Lot | Some  | A Little | Never |
|---------------------------|-----------------|-------|-------|----------|-------|
| <b>State Total</b>        | 2,466           | 7.5%  | 27.6% | 28.0%    | 37.0% |
| <b>Age*</b>               |                 |       |       |          |       |
| 55-59                     | 452             | 8.4%  | 29.0% | 29.4%    | 33.2% |
| 60-64                     | 390             | 8.2%  | 31.5% | 31.0%    | 29.2% |
| 65-74                     | 907             | 6.3%  | 25.8% | 29.1%    | 38.8% |
| 75-84                     | 568             | 6.5%  | 29.6% | 23.9%    | 40.0% |
| 85+                       | 121             | 14.9% | 14.0% | 23.1%    | 47.9% |
| <b>Gender*</b>            |                 |       |       |          |       |
| Male                      | 926             | 5.2%  | 24.5% | 28.2%    | 42.1% |
| Female                    | 1,541           | 8.8%  | 29.4% | 27.9%    | 33.9% |
| <b>Marital Status*</b>    |                 |       |       |          |       |
| Married                   | 1,701           | 6.1%  | 28.5% | 30.1%    | 35.3% |
| Not Married               | 756             | 10.4% | 25.9% | 23.3%    | 40.3% |
| <b>Living Arrangement</b> |                 |       |       |          |       |
| Lives Alone               | 628             | 10.0% | 25.3% | 24.4%    | 40.3% |
| Lives with Others         | 1,834           | 6.6%  | 28.3% | 29.3%    | 35.8% |
| <b>Education*</b>         |                 |       |       |          |       |
| Less than High School     | 355             | 10.1% | 23.3% | 21.2%    | 45.4% |
| High School Graduate      | 891             | 9.5%  | 28.1% | 27.0%    | 35.4% |
| Post-Secondary            | 1,225           | 5.2%  | 28.7% | 30.4%    | 35.6% |
| <b>Per Capita Income*</b> |                 |       |       |          |       |
| Less than \$12,000        | 349             | 10.9% | 28.4% | 25.5%    | 35.2% |
| \$12,000 - \$17,999       | 400             | 11.0% | 29.8% | 22.8%    | 36.5% |
| \$18,000 - \$29,999       | 481             | 5.4%  | 25.8% | 33.3%    | 35.6% |
| \$30,000+                 | 519             | 3.7%  | 29.9% | 32.0%    | 34.5% |
| <b>Region</b>             |                 |       |       |          |       |
| NE                        | 397             | 7.1%  | 25.4% | 29.0%    | 38.5% |
| W                         | 384             | 6.8%  | 27.1% | 30.5%    | 35.7% |
| SE                        | 508             | 6.9%  | 25.4% | 29.7%    | 38.0% |
| Metro                     | 1,178           | 8.1%  | 29.4% | 26.1%    | 36.4% |

\*Differences are statistically significant.

Survey Question:

How often do you worry about getting older and needing someone to take care of you? A lot, some, a little or never?