

6. How often do you or other members of your household read legal or public notices in a newspaper, such as school board minutes or property tax changes?

<u>(N=500)</u>	<u>% responding</u>
Usually	31.0
Sometimes	20.4
Seldom	33.4
Never	15.0
DK/NR	.2

7. Do you believe state and local government should be required to publish such legal and public notices in the newspaper on a regular basis?

<u>(N=500)</u>	<u>% responding</u>
YES	80.6
NO	9.4
Not sure	9.8
No response	.2

8. I am now going to read you a series of statements regarding the publication of legal notices. Please indicate if you either AGREE or DISAGREE with each.

<u>(N=500)</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>DK</u>	<u>NR</u>
The requirement to publish legal notices				
helps keep local officials more honest.....	82.0	10.8	7.2	0.0

Publishing legal notices helps make local officials more careful about how they spend taxpayers money.....	79.6	12.6	7.6	.2
Publishing legal notices is money well spent	81.4	9.0	9.4	.2

9. How often do you or other members of your household read news or information posted on your local government web site like a city or school web site?

<u>(N=500)</u>	<u>% responding</u>
Weekly	14.0
2-3 times a month	6.6
Once a month	7.8
Several times a year	7.0
1-2 times a year	12.2
Never	51.6
No response	.8

10. When you are seeking information on public meetings or public notices, which source do you usually rely on for this news?

<u>(N=500)</u>	<u>% responding</u>
Local newspaper.....	56.8
City newsletters.....	.6

Public bulletin boards.....	1.2
Word of mouth/friends/relatives	8.4
Radio.....	4.0
Local television/cable.....	13.6
Internet/web sites.....	11.4
No source/don't look for them.....	2.8
No response.....	1.2

11. Do you or a member of your household currently use a computer in your home?

<u>(N=500)</u>	<u>% responding</u>
YES	79.0
NO	21.0

Asked to those with a home computer

12. Do you access the Internet through your home computer?

<u>(N=395)</u>	<u>% responding</u>
YES	94.7
NO	5.3

- 74.8% of all households have Internet access

13. How often do you access a newspaper web site?

<u>(N=374)</u>	<u>% responding</u>	<u>net hshlds</u>
Yesterday	26.7	20.0
The past week	13.4	10.0
The past two weeks	8.0	6.0
The past 30 days	13.1	9.8
Longer than one month	19.8	14.8
Never	19.0	14.2
No access		25.2

14. If public and legal notices, which government is required to publish, were posted only on the Internet how likely do you think you would be to seek out and read them?

<u>(N=500)</u>	<u>% responding</u>
Very likely	12.6
Somewhat likely	19.2
Somewhat unlikely	8.8
Not at all likely	53.6
No response	5.8