

Are you a resident of Pitt County?

Yes No

If Yes, ask: How long have you lived in Pitt County?
If No, thank them and end call.

Which of the following best describes the area in which you live?

- ⇒ Unincorporated or rural area
- ⇒ The City of Greenville
- ⇒ One of Pitt County’s other towns

If one of Pitt County’s towns, which one? (don’t read, just circle the one that they mention)

Ayden, Bethel, Falkland, Farmville, Fountain, Grifton, Grimesland, Simpson, Winterville

Are you familiar with the services Pitt County Government provides to it’s citizens?

Yes No

If No, explain: Pitt County provides funding for operating costs at the Court House and a portion of the K-12 and Community College Systems. Pitt County also funds and operates such departments as the Sheriff, 911 Communications, Public Health and our Pitt Area Transit System.

Regardless of where you live in the County, Pitt County Government affects you. In your opinion, what is the most important thing that Government does for its citizens?

Pitt County’s top three priorities are

1. To promote quality education
2. To promote community safety
3. To enrich the quality of life

Do you agree that these should be our focus? Yes No

It is important to Pitt County that our Citizens are aware of the different services we directly provide and/or help fund. Therefore, educating the Citizens on how the Government works is important. Pitt County uses many different tools to share as much information as possible with the taxpayers. Have you seen or heard of the following communication tools that are used?

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| ⇒ Public television channel (Pitt TV13) | Yes | No |
| ⇒ Website (www.pittcountync.gov) | Yes | No |
| ⇒ Newspaper (Daily Reflector Saturday Ad) | Yes | No |
| ⇒ Citizens Academy (Held each Spring) | Yes | No |
| ⇒ Tax Bill Flyer (Included with August Tax Bills) | Yes | No |

Following are a couple of scenarios regarding issues the County may face during budget preparation. Please consider how you would have the County respond to the issue if you were one of our elected Commissioner's.

Pitt County Schools has identified a need for a new building due to overcrowding but the County is unable to fund at this time. Which of the following options would you recommend to meet the need?

- a) Reduce Spending in other areas
- b) Delay Project
- c) Increase Taxes

The Sheriff's Department has identified a need for additional deputies/detention officers which will require increased funding but funds are not available. Which of the following options would you recommend to meet the need?

- a) Reduce Spending in other areas
- b) Reduce Service Levels
- c) Increase Taxes

If State and Federal Funding are reduced in the areas of Public Health and Social Services, which option would you recommend to cover the shortfall?

- a) Reduce Spending in other areas
- b) Reduce Service Levels
- c) Increase Taxes

If Pitt County were to recruit a focus group to discuss what services are important, would you be willing to serve? Yes No

Record Gender (do not ask)

Male

Female

What is your current employment situation?

Employed part time

Employed full time

Student

Unemployed

Retired

If employed, ask: **What type of work do you do?**

What was the last year in school that you completed?

Which of the following categories best describes your age?

18 to 24

25 to 34

35 to 44

45 to 54

55 to 64

65 or older