

Cost of Living in Hawaii

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Abstract

Purpose: This research was conducted to predict the future of college students remaining in Hawaii post graduation.

Research question: As a college student in Hawaii, do you see yourself sustaining life in Hawaii 5 years after receiving your degree.

Methodology: The content within this research is both qualitative and quantitative.

Data Collection: The data for this research was reviewing text and conducting surveys.



Introduction & Research Question

Introduction

- 1. Why is there a problem with the cost of living in Hawaii?
- 2.Is Hawaii still viewed as "Paradise" or more of a nightmare to live in? If so, who's paying for it?
- 3. What future do the people of Hawaii want for the island and it's future generations.

Research Question

 As a college student in Hawaii, do you see yourself sustaining life in Hawaii 5 years after receiving your degree?

Hypothesis

 Individuals who receive their degree, 5 years post graduate, are more likely to move out of Hawaii due to the cost of living.

Discussion

- Hawaii 2050 State Plan(HSP)
 - Formulated for the purpose of state sustainability (1970s)
 - Consist of 25 citizens with diverse experience in planning
 - Mandated the 30 year plan to make Hawaii a world-class tourism destination

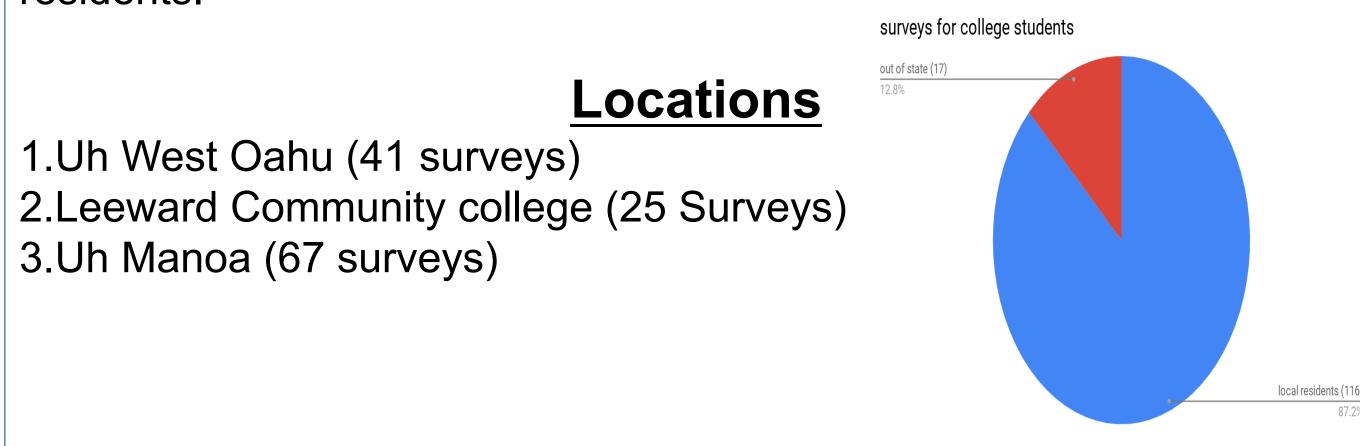
Sustainability

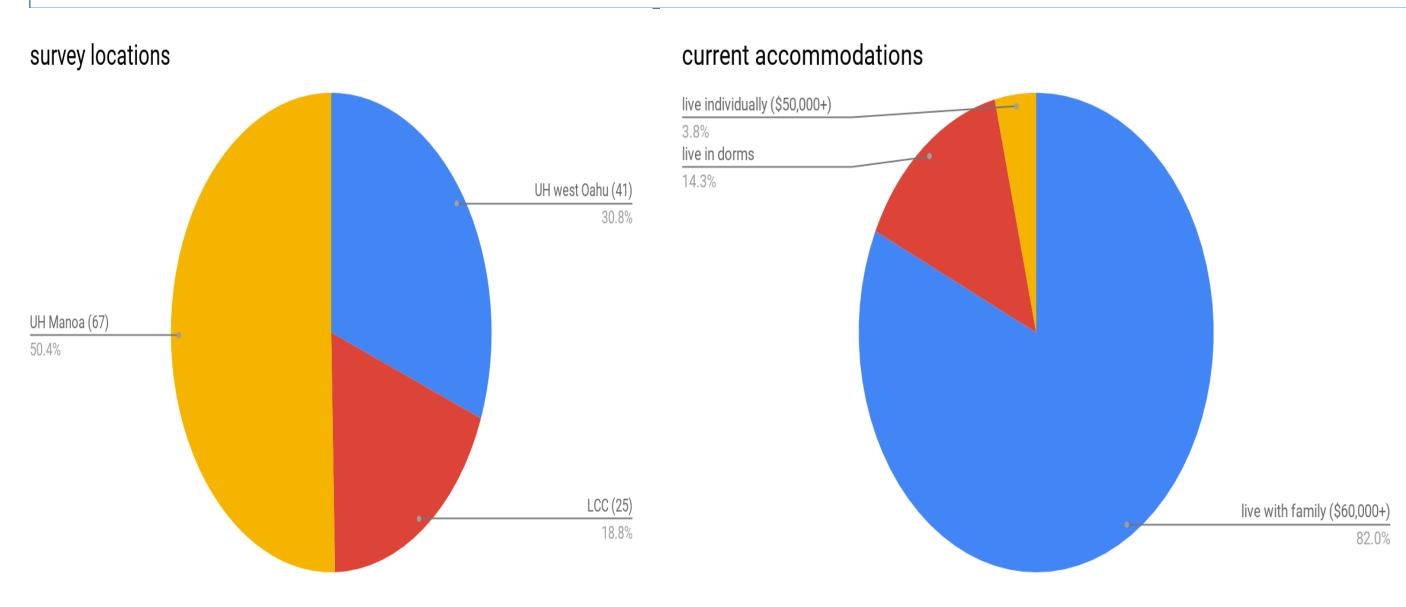
- •Respects the culture, character, beauty and history of our state's island communities.
- •Strikes a balance among economic, social and community, and environmental priorities.
- Meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

Research Design & Data Collection

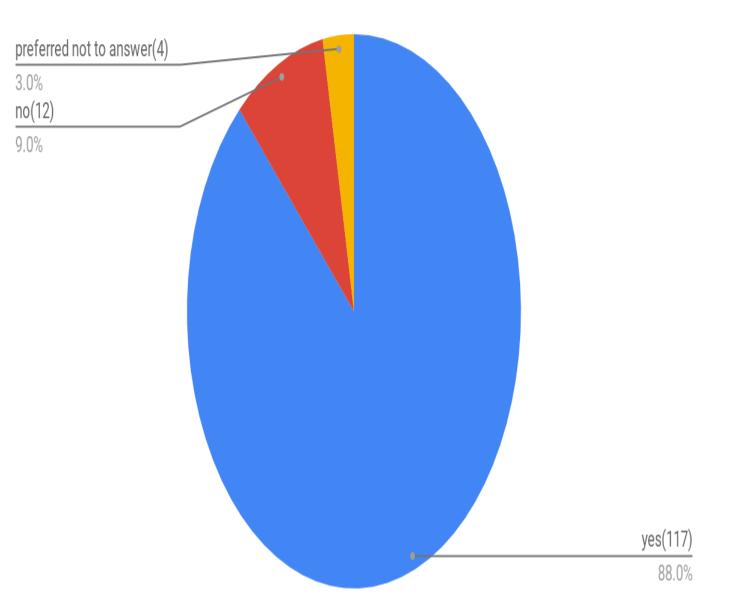
Surveys(133)

- •This research consist of 133 surveys which was divided into students who are local residents and those who are out of state residents. All survey participants gave informed consent.
- •Out of 133 surveys, 116 are local residents and 17 are out of state residents.

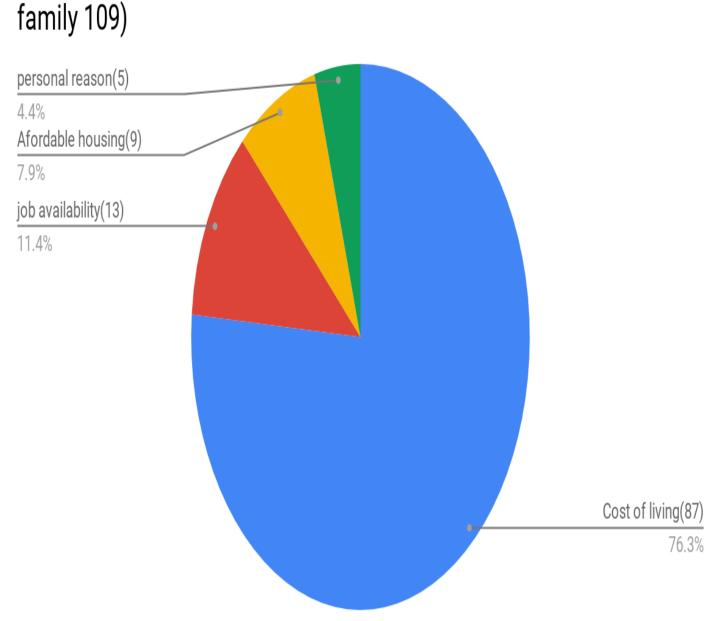




Do you see yourself sustaining life 5 years after receiving your degree in Hawaii?



What is likely the reason you would relocate out of state? (Live with



Results

- •88% of surveyed students view life as sustainable with the assistance of family
- •9% believe life is unsustainable
- •3% view life as sustainable
- •76.3% consider relocation due to the cost of living
- •11.4% would relocate for job availability
- •7.9% for Affordable Housing
- •4.4% chose to leave for personal reasoning

Conclusions

- Cost of living is most likely a reason degree holders would relocate when separated from their families.
- The sustaining of life for locals is most likely dependent on their families being able to afford living in Hawaii.
- Affordable housing is a factor to why individuals rely on family for support.



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