

Executive Summary

Goodna Longitudinal Study 2002

Summary of Results

A face to face survey of approximately 160 adults was conducted in Goodna in May 2002 by OESR. The main findings were as follows.

- The majority of people in Goodna were satisfied or very satisfied with it as a place to live (73.3%).
- The most popular things about living in Goodna were being close to amenities (14.9%), close to shops (12.8%) and cheap housing (10.9%).
- The worst thing about living in Goodna was the high crime (13.7%).
- The problems residents of Goodna thought were most serious were:
 - Unemployment (72.9%)
 - Home break-ins (58.7%)
 - Drug use (56.3%)
 - Car theft (55.3%)
 - Vandalism (55.0%)
- The only things that significant proportions of people in Goodna found difficult to access were:
 - Medicare office (48.4%)
 - Hospital (45.5%)
 - Public telephones (33.8%)
- The most serious problems people in Goodna felt young people were facing were:
 - Lack of employment opportunities (72.1%)
 - Boredom/isolation (61.2%)
 - Drug use (59.2%)
 - Lack of affordable entertainment (58.2%)
 - Lack of training facilities (55.2%)
- Of the people with children in schooling in Goodna, a clear majority were satisfied with all aspects of the school's performance.
- The problems most commonly experienced by people in Goodna included:
 - Money problems (34.8%)
 - Unemployment (24.0%)