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Goal of Best Local Govt

Achievement of Goal of "Best Local Government of its Size in NC"

The next question examined the goal of Cary to the best local government of its size in North Carolina. The previous nine-point scale from "very dissatisfied" to "very satisfied" was used. Table 51 indicates much less support for this statement than in 2004. The mean decreased from 7.17 in 2004 to 6.55 this year. Although this is not in a traditional grade scale format, if converted to a grade this would represent a full letter grade decline from a B- to a C- this year. This is a rather significant decline in the perceptions of the respondents.

Table 51. Achievement of Goal of Being Best Local Government of its Size in NC.

Year	Mean	Very Dissatisfied				Neutral				Very Satisfied	Grade
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
06	6.55	1.4	1.7	1.7	3.3	20.3	13.1	29.2	16.9	12.5	C-
04	7.17	1.6	1.9	2.1	2.7	9.6	9.9	21.3	20.0	30.9	B-
02	6.64	1.6	1.8	2.4	2.9	15.2	15.0	28.3	19.7	13.1	C

Best Local Government Crosstabulations

The crosstabulations on age, education, housing type, race, years in Cary, and zip code are shown in Tables B334-B339. Overall, the means were relatively consistent among the groups. The only exceptionally low means were for the over 65 age group with a mean of 6.06 (D+) and respondents in Cary 0-1 year with a mean of 6.28 which is at the low end of the C- range.



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