

What the NCI data tells us about

Rights and Privacy in Colorado



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This report tells us about:

- What NCI tells us about rights, privacy and safety
- Why rights, privacy, and safety are important
- Where to find out more about rights, privacy and safety in Colorado

What is NCI?

Each year, NCI asks people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) and their families how they feel about their lives and the services they get. NCI uses surveys so that the same questions can be asked to people in all NCI states.

Who is surveyed?

Each year people in many states take part in an NCI meeting. Every year a new group of people are asked to meet. During the meeting, people are asked the NCI survey questions. Questions are asked to the person who gets services from the state. For some questions, a family member, friend, or staff member who knows the person well can answer.

How are data shown?

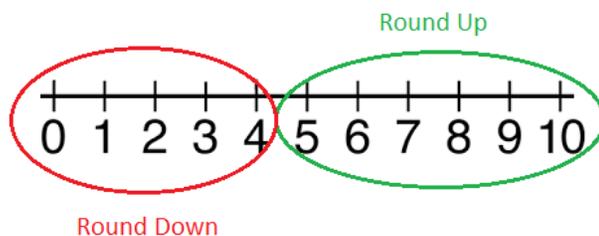
NCI asks questions about people's rights, like if they have a key to their home or if they can lock their bedroom door. In this report we see how people answered questions about rights. There are also questions that ask about self-advocacy, voting, and feeling safe. Like "Are there any places you feel afraid or scared?"

Each page shows a different question and the answers. Each page also has a pie graph. It shows how many people said **yes** and how many said **no** to the question. There are also words and stick figures that show how many **yes** and **no** answers there were for each question. The answers are whole numbers (like 60% or 90%).

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic the 2019-20 In-Person Survey (IPS) survey data collection period was unexpectedly abbreviated with all data collection stopped on April 15, 2020. At the time IPS surveying was ended, states were in many different stages of survey administration. Very few states had completed data collection.

Ultimately, NCI decided that, **to create a state report on the IPS data for a state this year, we would use a 10% Margin of Error (MoE) threshold.** This means that states will receive a state report if the number of surveys collected prior to the IPS surveying shut-down reach a threshold of 10% MoE (based on the sample frame number reported in the state work-plan). Previous years of IPS reporting have used a 5% MoE threshold. CO conducted 304 valid surveys, the MoE is 5.54%.

For this report we round percentages to the nearest ten percent. To round, we look at the last digit in a number. If the digit is 5 or more, we “round up” to the next highest number with a zero. If the digit is 4 or less, we “round down” to the next lowest number with a zero.



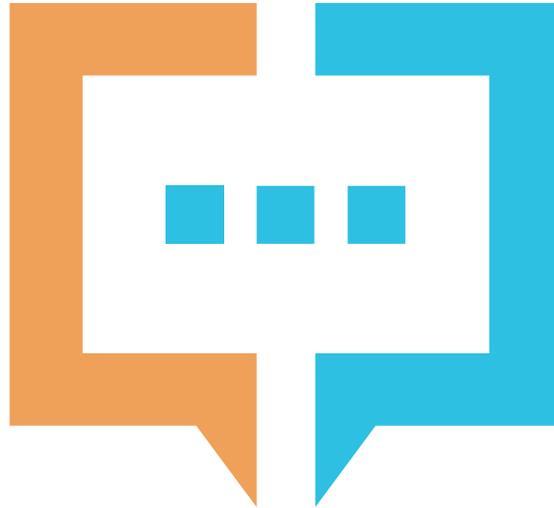
For example:

If 87% of people say they have a key to their home, we “round up” to 90%.

If 12% of people say they did can lock their bedroom door, we “round down” to 10%.

This report can help people talk about services and supports. If you want more information, you can look up the full report at:

<http://www.nationalcoreindicators.org>



Making Connections – Why Are Rights Important?

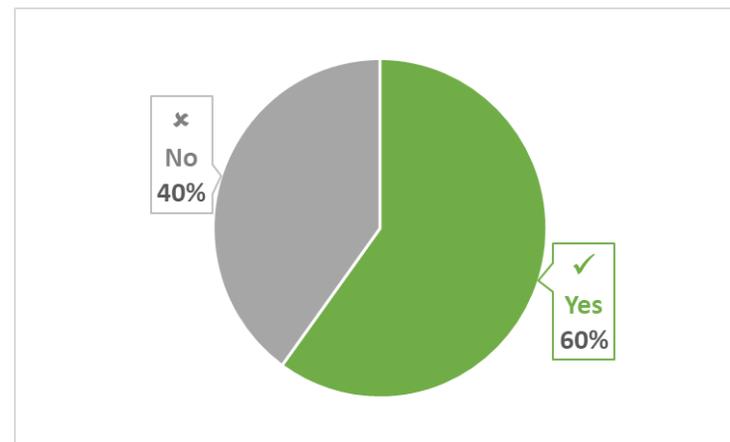
We all have rights. Like the right to vote, to speak out, and to be free from harm. People with disabilities also have rights under the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Developmental Disabilities Act. These rights include the right to be treated like everyone else and to be included in community life. For people receiving services, the federal government says people with disabilities have the right to privacy in their homes and the opportunity to work and to self-direct their services.

Rights and Privacy at Home

NCI asks questions about the rights people have in their home and if staff respect them.

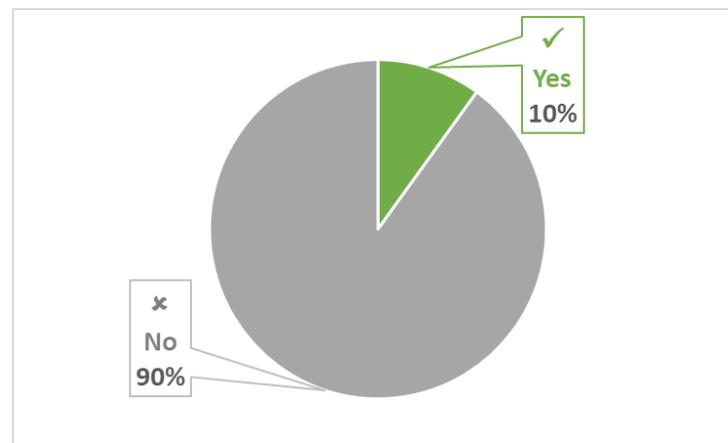


Do you have a key to your home?



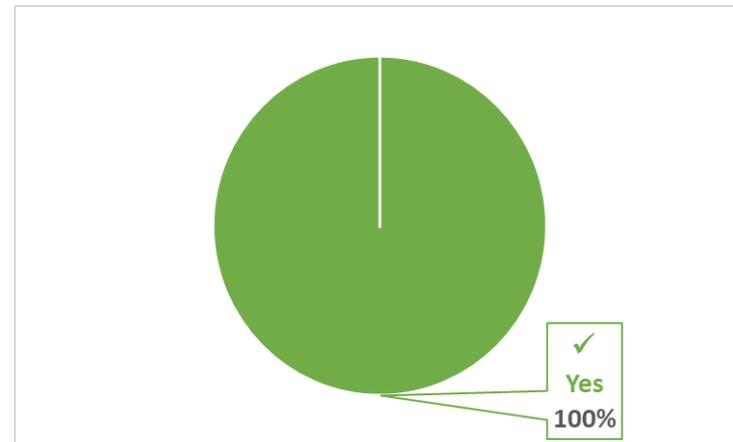
NCI tells us **6** out of every **10** people said **they have a key to their home.**

If you don't have a key to your home, do you want a key to your home?



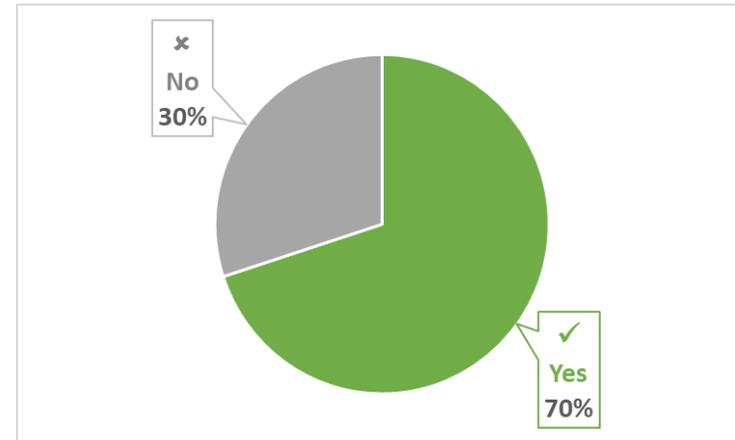
NCI tells us **1** out of every **10** people who do not have a key to their home said they want one.

Do people who do not live with you ask before coming into your home?



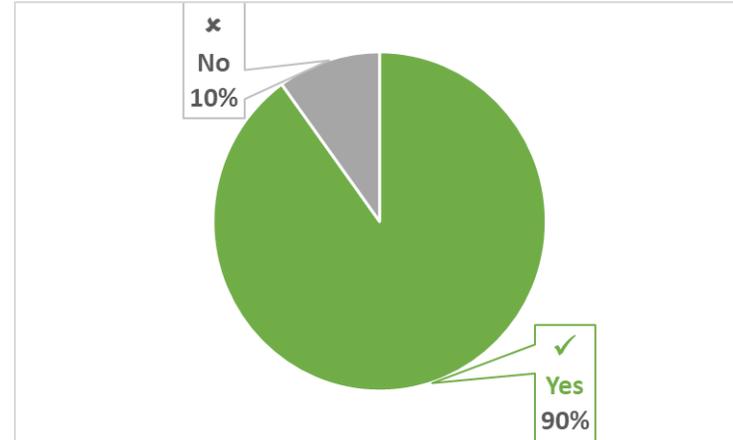
NCI tells us **10** out of every **10** people said **people who do not live with them ask before coming into their home.**

Can you lock your bedroom door if you want to?



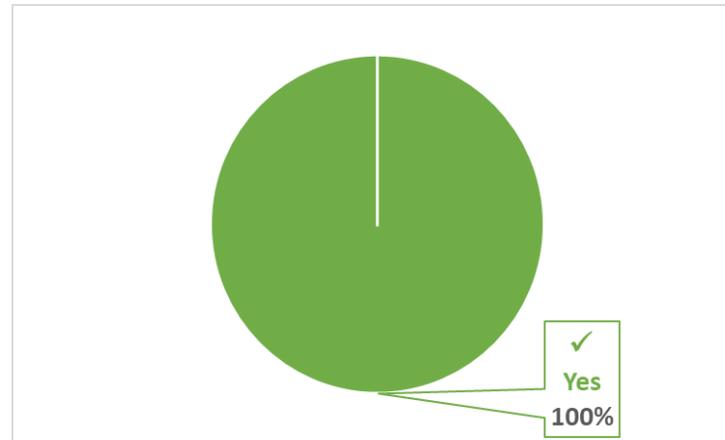
NCI tells us **7** out of every **10** people said **they can lock their bedroom door if they want to.**

Do people let you know before coming into your bedroom?



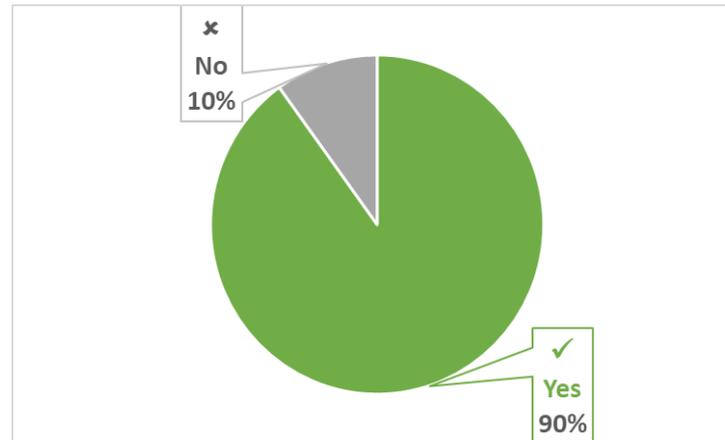
NCI tells us **9** out of every **10** people said **people let them know before coming into their bedroom.**

Do you have a place to be alone in your home?



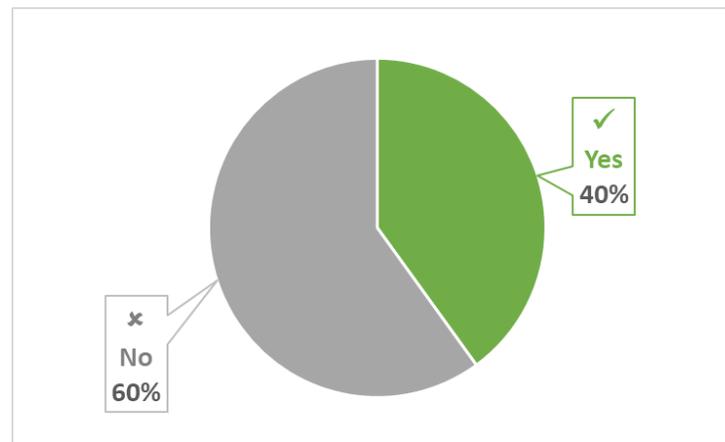
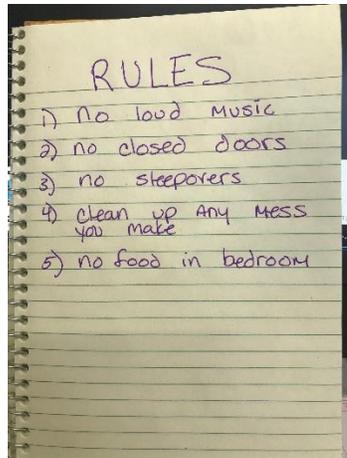
NCI tells us **10** out of every **10** people said **they have a place to be alone in their home.**

Can you be alone with friends or visitors in your home?



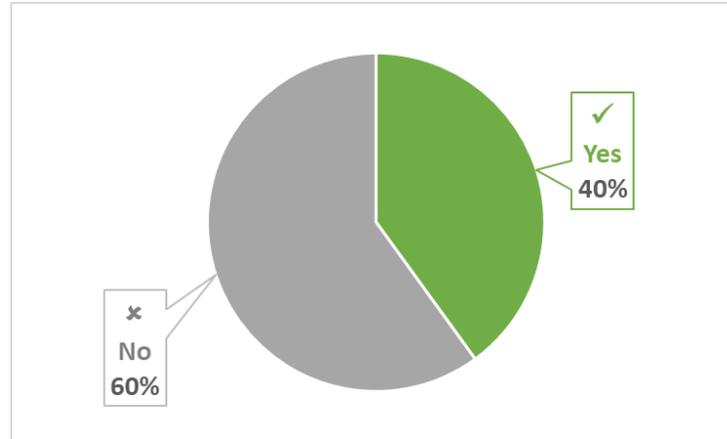
NCI tells us **9** out of every **10** people said **they can be alone with friends or visitors in their home.**

Are there rules about having friends or visitors in your home?



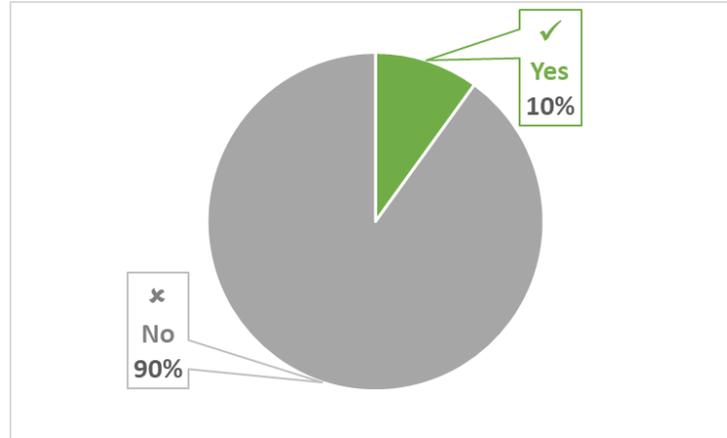
NCI tells us **4** out of every **10** people said **there are rules about having friends or visitors in their home.**

When people in your house go somewhere, do you have to go too, or can you stay at home if you want to?



NCI tells us **4** out of every **10** people said **when people in their house go somewhere they can stay at home if they want to.**

Do people read your mail or email without asking first?



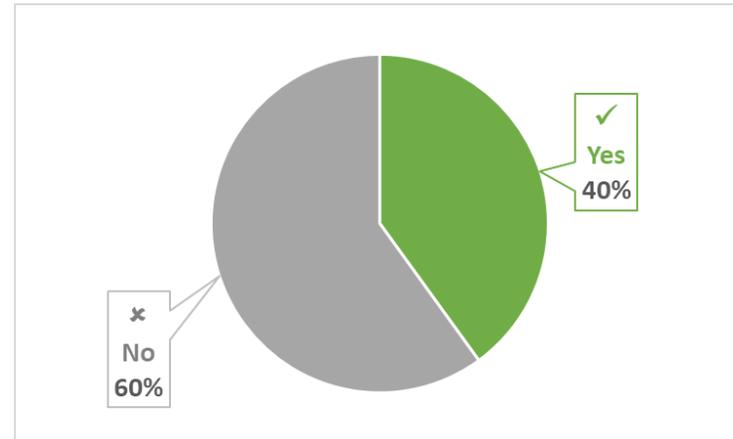
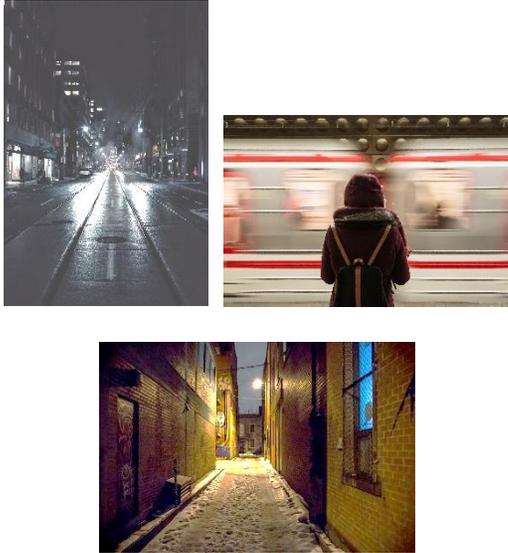
NCI tells us **1** out of every **10** people said **people read their mail or email without asking first.**

Safety

NCI asks about feeling safe. Respondents are asked if there are places they feel afraid or scared and if they ever feel afraid, if there is someone they can talk to.

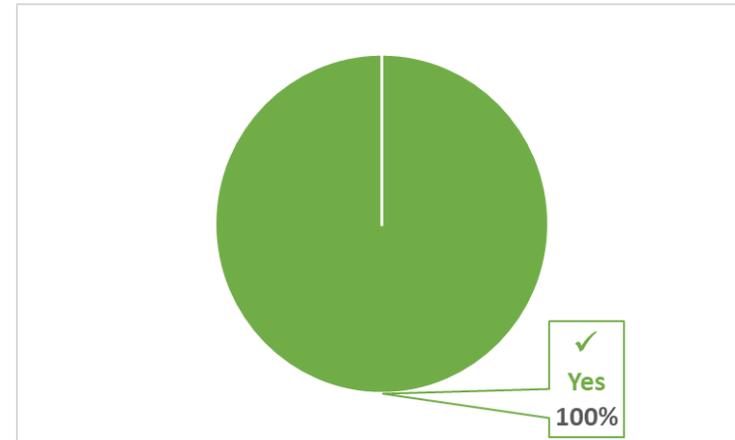


Are there any places where you feel afraid or scared?



NCI tells us **4** out of every **10** people said **there are places where they feel afraid or scared.**

If you ever feel afraid, is there someone you can talk to?



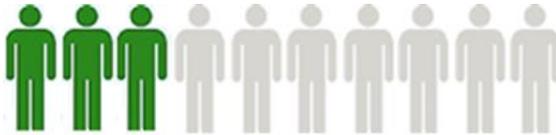
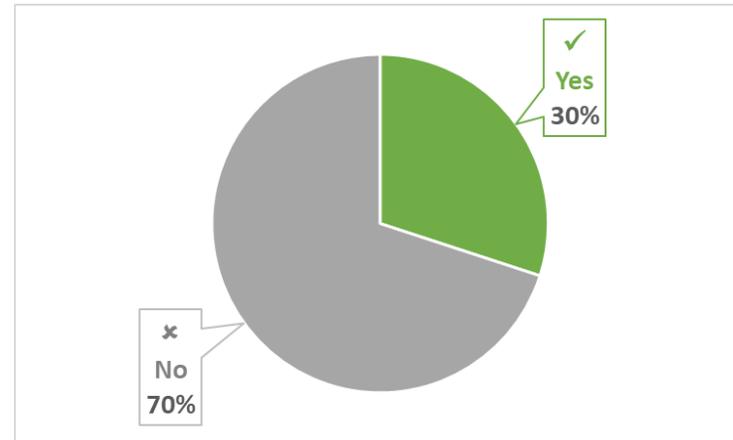
NCI tells us **10** out of every **10** people said **they have someone to talk to if they ever feel afraid.**

Advocacy

NCI asks about attending self-advocacy group meetings. A self-advocacy group is where people with disabilities meet together where they talk about things in their lives that are important to them and other people with disabilities. NCI also asks if a person has ever voted in an election.

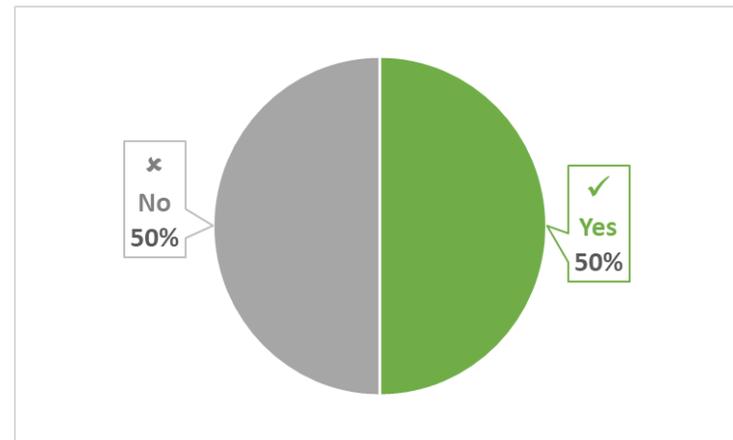


Have you ever taken part in a self-advocacy group, meeting, conference, or event—or have you had the chance to participate and chose not to?



NCI tells us **3** out of every **10** people said **they have taken in a self-advocacy group, meeting, conference, or event or had the chance and chose not to.**

Have you ever voted in a local, state, or federal election or had the chance but chose not to?



NCI tells us **5** out of every **10** people said **they have ever voted in a local, state, or federal election, or had the chance and chose not to.**

What Did We Learn?



NCI tell us about people in Colorado:

61% Have a key to their home

11% Who do not have a key to their home want one

96% Said people who do not live with them ask before coming into their home

65% Can lock their bedroom door if they want to

89% Said people let them know before entering their bedroom

100% Have a place to be alone in their home

90% Can be alone with friends or visitors in their home

37% Said there are rules about having friends or visitors in their home

44% Said when people in their house go somewhere they can stay at home if they want to

6% Said people read their mail or email without asking first

37% Said that there are places they feel afraid or scared

96% Have someone to talk to if they ever feel afraid

27% Have taken part in a self-advocacy group, meeting, conference, or event or had the chance and chose not to

51% Have ever voted in a local, state, or federal election, or had the chance and chose not to

Learn More About Rights, Privacy, and Safety in Colorado

- [Health First Colorado \(Colorado's Medicaid program\)](#)
- [Health First Colorado "Find a Provider" Tool](#)
- [HCBS Waiver Critical Incident Reporting](#)
- [Consumer Directed Attendant Support Services \(CDASS\)](#)
- [Community Centered Boards \(CCBs\) Case Management Services](#)
- [Colorado National Core Indicator \(NCI\) Surveys](#)
- [Vital Research National Core Indicator webpage](#)
- [Developmental Disabilities Waiver \(DD\)](#)
- [Supported Living Services Waiver \(SLS\)](#)
- [Colorado Buy-In Program for Working Adults with Disabilities](#)

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