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# Caregiving and Socialization Among Native Elders

*Cycle VIII Needs Assessment Survey*



**29.8%**

of Native Elders took care of grandchildren.  
**10.6%** were primary caregivers.

## Who Takes Care of Grandchildren?



**71.3%**

were female



**67.6%**

reported having an excellent, very good, or good health status



**51.6%**

were between the ages of 60-69 years



**12.8%**

had an annual income of less than \$5,000

## Support Among Native Elders

**81.8%**

had someone they felt like they could depend on to provide social support.



**75.9%**

had someone they felt like they could depend on to provide physical support.

**38.2%**

of Native Elders had a family member who provided care for them.



## Who Is Receiving Care?

**63.2%**

were female



**40.4%**

reported having a disability

**49.9%**

had between 1 and 4 falls

The average number of chronic conditions was

**2.68**

## Socialization Among Native Elders

**22.4%**

socialized 1-2 times per month



**62.7%**

lived with family members

**0.6**

average number of children under 18 years in household

*(among households with children)*

**2.7**

average number of people in household