



JEFFERSON COUNTY, CO 2010

Report of Open-ended Question

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SURVEY BACKGROUND

ABOUT THE NATIONAL CITIZEN SURVEY™

The National Citizen Survey™ (The NCS™) is a collaborative effort between National Research Center, Inc. (NRC) and the International City/County Management Association (ICMA).

The survey and its administration are standardized to assure high quality survey methods and comparable results across The National Citizen Survey™ jurisdictions. Participating households are selected at random and the household member who responds is selected without bias. Multiple mailings give each household more than one chance to participate with self-addressed and postage paid envelopes. Results are statistically weighted to reflect the proper demographic composition of the entire community.

The National Citizen Survey™ customized for this jurisdiction was developed in close cooperation with local jurisdiction staff. Jefferson County staff selected items from a menu of questions about services and community problems; they defined the jurisdiction boundaries NRC used for sampling; and they provided the appropriate letterhead and signatures for mailings. Jefferson County staff also determined local interest in a variety of add-on options to The National Citizen Survey™ Basic Service.

UNDERSTANDING THE RESULTS

ABOUT CLOSED-ENDED AND OPEN-ENDED QUESTIONS

Questions can either be asked in a closed-ended or open-ended manner. A closed-ended question is one where a set of response options is listed on the survey. Those taking the survey respond to each option listed. Open-ended questions have no answer choices from which respondents select their response. Instead, respondents must “create” their own answers and state them in their own words. The verbatim responses are categorized by topic area using codes. An “other” category is used for responses falling outside the coded categories. In general, a code is assigned when at least 5-10% of responses will fit the code.

Advantages of an open-ended question include:

- Responses are not prompted, allowing respondents to provide answers that are not anticipated or well known.
- This type of question tends to capture response options that come to mind most quickly.
- The final result can be richer, since verbatim responses are included in an appendix, giving you and others a chance to “hear” the voice of respondents in their own words.
- There is a smaller risk of missing important dimensions.

VERBATIMS

Respondents were asked to record their opinions about Jefferson County in the following question:

- What do you think will be the two biggest issues facing Jefferson County over the next five years?

The verbatim responses were categorized by topic area and those topics are reported in the following table with the percent of responses given in each category. Because some comments from residents covered more than a single topic, each topic mentioned by a resident was categorized and counted for the table below. Those verbatim responses are grouped by the first topic listed in each comment whenever a respondent mentioned more than a single topic. Verbatim comments that contain more than one topic nevertheless appear only once (in the category of the first topic listed), however the analysis in the following table counts each of the topic areas given by all respondents regardless where those topics appeared in the comment.

Results from the open-ended question are best understood by reviewing the table of frequencies that summarize responses as well as the actual verbatim responses themselves.

What do you think will be the two biggest issues facing Jefferson County over the next five years?	Percent of respondents
Budget and Taxes- property taxes, funding and maintaining services, budget shortfalls	34%
Economy- economic development, jobs	29%
Growth issues- population growth, planning, land use and development	23%
Education/schools	20%
Transportation issues- new roads, traffic, mass transit, 470 development	12%
Health and Human Services - healthcare, services to seniors, aging population, low-income	9%
Infrastructure- maintaining existing roads, bridges, storm drainage	7%
Governance	6%
Environment- preserving open space, pine-beetle blight, pollution	6%
Public Safety- emergency services (police, fire, EMS), crime	5%
Housing issues- foreclosure, availability of housing, aging housing	5%
Affordability- cost of living, affordable housing	2%
Quality of Life	2%
Don't know/No Comment	4%
Other	10%

VERBATIM RESPONSES TO OPEN-ENDED QUESTIONS

The following pages contain the respondents' verbatim responses as written on the survey and have not been edited for spelling or grammar. Responses have been organized by coded topic areas according to the first topic given.

WHAT DO YOU THINK WILL BE THE TWO BIGGEST ISSUES FACING JEFFERSON COUNTY OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS?

Budget and Taxes- property taxes, funding and maintaining services, budget shortfalls

- #1 Increasing costs for infrastructure/services. #2 Decreasing ability of taxpayers to make ends meet (due to the economy) and still address #1.
- (1) Balance of budget (2) Service priority
- (1) Budget constraints. 2) Illegal nationals.
- (1) Budgets, taxes, etc. (2) Jobs
- (1) County employees must move to a 401K retirement. We can't afford the current defined benefit pension plan. (2) Government is way too big. It must be scaled back to basic essential services only.
- (1) Increasing taxes while property values have decreased & joblessness is higher. (2) Incompetent public officials.
- (1) Keeping taxes down so people can keep their homes (2) Real estate down - taxes going up-go figure!!
- (1) Lack of funds to support services. (2) Loss of jobs for residents.
- (1) Providing services with a slow economy. (2) Encouraging conservation of resources must be increased.
- (1) Spending tax revenues appropriately (2) Embezzlement and corruption with tax payers money
- (1) Tax and spend philosophies of govt. (2) Illegal aliens and negative impact on everything straining all systems.
- (1) The county has to large a budget for administrative purposes as a result they will experience a huge deficit as a result of decreasing property values. (2) The county will continue to struggle with growth due to the high cost to live in Jefferson County.
- 1- Budget cuts 2- Population growth.
- 1- Budget impact on Jeff co schools (teachers, buildings). 2 - Population growth impact on highways (space, maintenance).
- 1) Budget deficits feeding to reduced funding for all of the above. 2) In particular, lost funding for schools lowering the overall desirability of the area.
- 1) Budget must reduce size of government û we don't need so money employees and so many layers of government. Reduce size of government. Stop spending (tax payers) money on bilingual programs. This is America û speak English. 2) Listen/ help listen to the citizens instead of being adversarial. Helps the citizens instead of blocking their aspirations. Example: Citizens should be able to build on their land. Zoning and building make it extremely difficult and expensive. Why. There governments employees are paid by the citizen's taxes- they should be appreciative of the jobs they have and do all they can to be helpful not obstructive.
- 1) Budget shortfalls affecting quality of life. 2) Over-population causing increased traffic flow and congestion

- 1) Declining tax base due to poor economy & resistance to cutting taxes as a measure to stimulate the economy. 2) The insatiable spending for Jeffco school board with no equivalent performance in student achievement.
- 1) Economy has experienced fundamental changes that will impact tax revenues for many years 2) Aging population increasing need for social services. Comment: Sheriff needs to spend less time on speed traps and more time in neighborhoods deterring crime such as house breaks people need police in the neighborhood, not harassing motorists.
- 1) Enough services to sustain the growth and that is all of the above 18B. 2) Proper land management.
- 1) Staying within budgetary constraints. 2) Managing growth.
- 1) Budget crisis/economy, esp. W/regard to Jeffco. Schools. 2) Influx of population w/regard to # of property tax paying homeowners.
- 1) Does Jeffco have the courage to totally eliminate (totally) "non essential" programs. Law enforcement & fire protection should not be considered "non essential." 2) When the economy strengthens & tax revenues grow... Don't reexpand Jeffco govt.! The school are not under your authority, but as a former school principal, can attest to the choice mismanagement which exists in Jeffco schools. Also, as note on front page.
- 1. Balancing the budget without increasing taxes that no one can afford. (maybe start with no bonuses) 2. Keeping their credibility with the tax payers if they don't tone down the budget and live w/in their means : budget balanced, no superfluous travel junkets, planning meetings in County facilities (personal brown bag during meetings) not a travel destination. Do what they can to actually spend county money to improve county/ on the people w/ in the counties.
- 1. Budget 2. Reduction of public services.
- 1. Budget crunch-keeping residents happy still cutting anything/everything. 2. This is a good county I enjoy being here. I think the growth of expansion may make Jeffco lose any sense of community.
- 1. Cutting costs unnecessary excess to keep taxes down. 2. Keeping taxes down (We can't afford any more taxes when jobs are all going to India & wages are evaporating)
- 1. Finding funds to maintain current levels of services. 2. We have used Hwy 93 for 40 years and do not want it to become a toll road. 3. While the cost to use the dump keeps going up, the efforts to recycle are really poor.
- 1. How to meet the demands of the community without raising taxes or reducing services. 2. How to prevent crime growth as a result of a failing economy and lack of moral responsibility.
- 1. Increasing taxes 2. Increasing traffic
- 1. Maintain services without tax increases. 2. Not expanding government services and controlling waste & fraud & personnel costs in current services.
- 1. Over all operating expenses. 2. Development ruining our open space & quality of life.
- 1. Property sales taxes are way too high. Because Jeffco is trying to do too much, it has become too big & inefficient. 2) Density. Jeffco planning & zoning is destroying our quality of life by re-zoning almost everything. Why have zoning at all, if all it takes is money to change it. Water or basic services should not be the main criterion when changing existing zoning. It should be density. Next, appropriateness. Need over building and commercialization may be great for a county's tax base, but this greed is destroying the low stress life style many of us came here to enjoy. All re-zoning should require quote of the people.
- 1. Revenue to run Jeffco. 2. An informed electorate.
- Adequate funds to operate County Govt snarled traffic on I-70.
- Allocating money wisely. Jeffco is known as the place people come to embezzle money & spend too much on government facilities. I feel money will be the biggest issue. I wish us all a lot of luck.

- At the court house I got the impression DAs office is wasting a lot of time & tax dollars!!! Property values are too high especially with how run down the older parts Jeffco are!
- Balanced budget - manage what you have - do not increase my taxes!
- Balanced budget without decreasing school spending. Maintaining or increasing social services to those in need.
- Balancing budgets. Maintaining the quality of life.
- Balancing the budget Please bring back cutting property taxes for service
- Balancing the budget without reducing services - Making sure public schools keep pace with better districts like Cherry Creek.
- Balancing the budget.
- Balancing the budget. Building new roads to ease traffic.
- Balancing the budget. Crime
- Better use of money. We all have budget short falls in our households because of the economy. We all have to make due with the money we have. Please use our money wisely. The school budget is my biggest concern. It's frustrating to see the waste (brand new huge high schools with 4 separate gyms while elementary schools are closed).
- Better utilization of taxes budget
- Bicycles on roads. Taxes
- Budget
- Budget
- Budget - out of control speedy. Job creation.
- Budget & budget
- Budget & growth.
- Budget & too much traffic.
- Budget and the ability to keep services above par to accommodate the citizens needs and desires.
- Budget and transportation employers. Employees don't want to pay tolls. People will use mass transit if its done correctly. Because of poor decisions this area is 50 yrs behind. Constituents need to pay close attention at election time.
- Budget constraints and declining infrastructure.
- Budget crisis
- Budget cuts growth
- Budget cuts Population growth
- Budget cuts/jobs.
- Budget cuts/shortfalls. Traffic congestion
- Budget deficit Unemployment
- Budget economic development
- Budget employment.
- Budget increases, keeping level of services.
- Budget issues caused by the problem economy and adequately maintaining existing roads and infrastructure.
- Budget issues offering law enforcement public outdated bus etc. Economic development & growth.
- Budget issues road repair.
- Budget issues, Managing social services.
- Budget issues.
- Budget Jobs
- Budget land usage
- Budget loss in Jeffco schools. Population growth.

- Budget management keeping taxes from increasing.
- Budget management. Maintaining high K-12 education standard.
- Budget pressure. Effective development to accommodate population growth.
- Budget problems due to the poor economy.(what services do you cut). Keeping jobs in the area.
- Budget problems. Leadership.
- Budget schools law enforcement.
- Budget short fall burgeoning population water sources.
- Budget short falls maintaining public health & social services
- Budget short, Tax raises
- Budget shortfall over population
- Budget shortfall.
- Budget shortfall.
- Budget shortfalls
- Budget shortfalls (re: declining revenue compounded by excess spending) Population increases within Jeffco.
- Budget shortfalls and construction of the Northwest Parkway.
- Budget shortfalls and spending priorities. Commercial real estate decline & vacancies. Law enforcement should be reduced. It is always protected and does not have to face the same reductions as other departments & divisions.
- Budget shortfalls from a drop off in tax revenue. Deciding which services to reduce. Good luck - have fun with that!
- Budget shortfalls, Increase in population.
- Budget shortfalls, no economic development.
- Budget shortfalls. Crime increases.
- Budget shortfalls. Economy.
- Budget shortfalls. Having to support more people through public assistance as the economy & jobs continue to fall or stay stagnate.
- Budget shortfalls. Impact on schools/education.
- Budget shortfalls. Retaining citizens. Maintaining growth.
- Budget shortfalls. School funding.
- Budget shortfalls. Unemployment. Education cutbacks.
- Budget shortfalls/cuts
- Budget vs services. New construction compliance
- Budget woes. Roads.
- Budget, Economic growth
- Budget, School funding
- Budget, slowing of growth.
- Budget, Social services for seniors, children & families
- Budget. Continuance at current services.
- Budget. Growth. A problem is that taxi's will not come all the way out here often there is no way to get to a doctor's appt if you can't drive or shopping etc for those older citizens. Need a taxi co out here.
- Budget. School district spending and performance.
- Budget/finance issues specifically schools and social services - Blight resulting from empty commercial real estate (malls) due to too many/overbuilt strip mall/shopping areas
- Budget/revenue. Commercial development
- Budget; Population growth.
- Budgetary shortfalls. Preventing confrontation between bicyclists & motorists.
- Budget-employment

- Budget-especially school shortfall. Accessible transportation.
- Budgeting-maintaining services and excellence under continued budget-cut pressures. Growth-keeping congestion down.
- Budget
- Continuing to provide the quality level of services we are accustomed to during budget shortfalls.
- County budget shortage, reduced services.
- County budgets, ability to forecast economic trends & adjust budgets accordingly. How to complete 470 loop & light rail corridors.
- Cutting personal services unnecessary programs/services. Reduce and/or taking new revenue over tax & the people have no expendable income & the economy dies.
- Decrease in tax revenue due to overall "Anti-Business" stance taken by government. Minority interests taking use/freedom from the populace (open space issue)
- Decrease of services and funding to Medicaid participants such as developmental disabilities unemployment.
- Decreased revenue stream caused by decreased property values. Decreased money for road maintenance and social services because of "pet project" funding by county, county commissioners.
- Decreased tax revenues. Education.
- Decreasing revenue - schools etc. Water - too much development.
- Delivering quality services with decreased tax revenue shifting services delivered to an aging population.
- Democrats not raising taxes
- Dependency on federal stimulus dollars = with can symptoms real estate bubble = declining values & property taxation.
- Excessive increase in property taxes financial help & services for senior citizens.
- Financial & educational spending that continues increasing with negative results. Taxes in Jeffco are some of the highest in the state. To what end.
- Financial problems-tax increases school facilities and as problems
- Fiscal issues. Lack of trust in competency of government.
- Fiscal responsibility
- Fiscal responsibility, Quality education
- Government services. Taxes.
- Gov't will want to increase taxes - I oppose this stop funding programs for illegal immigrants.
- Having to pay over \$4000 in property tax when we have a total family income of \$40,200 (for year 2009) is outrageous. I've had to start working again part time at age 73 to help pay the bills. The feds action in reducing interest rates to near year has caused significant harm to our financial condition.
- High property taxes. Falling house values.
- High tax for schools traffic.
- High taxes six need land taxes reduced so they may stay in their homes
- High taxes-illegal aliens
- Higher taxes. Less services.
- How to keep existing services funded. How to help the ever growing "laid off" population acquire jobs.
- I think the low enforcement budget can be better- managed in order to be more effectual.
- I think the single largest issue will be the prudent use of the budget. That issue will affect many other issues, but it is the wise use of the money the county already receives that will make the greatest impact.

- I think the waste of money on the Beltway connection will be the downfall of the county's budget & reputation. Put expansion on hold-put current budget emphasis on existing infrastructure.
- Increased cost of Gov't services serious lack of leadership from county commissioners
- Increased cost of providing services at the same time facing shorts falls on revenue streams. This creates a domino effect, which will negatively affect us all. In the mountain areas of Jeffco I believe it will be protection of property, wildlife and homes from the deviation of the backbeats and potential wild fires. We need to mitigate on all and, private and public.
- Increased gov't spending increase in citizen taxes.
- Insufficient tax revenue. Deteriorization of quality of life due to population increase.
- Keeping property tax affordable to live in Jefferson County.
- Keeping taxes low, Keeping communities crime free
- Lack of \$ & services
- Lack of funding as money gets tight for all over paid government officials that have lost trust with their community.
- Lack of funds. Over inflated home values.
- Lack of money over paid government workers.
- Lack of money. Growth. I've been wondering since I've been here when we would be annexed into a city because Jeffco is so large w/no city sales tax.
- Learning to live within their budget - People are stretched to the limit & the county & state are raising taxes, fees, permits instead of making the cuts to live within their budget, the private sector has taken huge pay cuts, layoffs, bankruptcy's and the county is complaining about taking a day off. You have benefits, vacations pay inc. While everyone else is taking massive cuts.
- Live within a budget. Cut services.
- Lower management salaries, or freeze. Audit board of education & get folks to work for the students education & not the retirement & income of the administrators & teachers! I told my daughter & her husband not to move to Colorado/Jefferson County. We are too close to the path of California! One step away from collapse btw our household income is to 200k.
- Lowering taxes to encourage businesses to grow keeping residential housing out of foreclosures
- Maintain service levels within 2009 revenues. Encourage job growth/economic development.
- Maintaining level of service/ programs.
- Maintaining level of services without raising taxes. Economic development bringing new jobs to Jefferson County (And therefore increased tax revenues)
- Maintaining service levels & balancing budget without tax increases.
- Maintaining services that improve quality of life for vulnerable groups. Maintaining high quality schools to attract people who want to live here
- Maintaining services without raising property taxes - Stopping over development of shopping area's housing & roads reducing our quality of life.
- Medical Marijuana must be legal & much less restrictive than all & legislators legislatures propose. We must have dispensaries in evergreen now! Unrestricted use of Marijuana must be legal throughout the US. Alcohol is much worse. So much \$\$ will be raised in Marijuana sales tax \$ that there will be no budget shortfall. Grow up, County/City/State/US. What's wrong with you that you are all so afraid of it? Do you place restrictions on the # & location of star bucks stores, Donut/bagel shops, Grocery stores? Marij, dispensaries are much more profitable. Get with it!!
- Money & politicians.
- Money shortfalls- budget. Land development- when to leave open space alone!!

- Not meeting budget. Stop pay raises & health ins. Increases and, live like we need to-no raises & fringe benefits
- Not reducing the services provided. Working to help the recovery of employment and housing markets
- Over evaluation of real property & assess of taxes for same. Over spending budgets that are already figured to high.
- Over value of homes by assessor officer therefore property taxes way to high.
- Property taxes
- Property taxes - continuously rising zoning in spite of citizen opposition
- Property taxes & traffic
- Property taxes too high. Vehicle registration fees, ownership taxes too high. I will likely move shortly due in part to high taxes in the county. I own property in other states and I license. And register my vehicles there due to high county fees.
- Property taxes unclear, inconsistent and have been a constant hassle due to the County's mistakes. Chief Hosa exit has may unused fencing. Posts, wines, unattractive signs, etc. Looks terrible on north side around the county camp ground. Also many car camp or loiter at night feels unsafe @ times.
- Providing more services or equal services with less people and no increase in the budget.
- Raising property tax-seniors on low income.
- Raising taxes, jobs.
- Redistribution of wealth carried out by the government through taxes & social programs, illegal immigration
- Reduce taxes get school spending under control
- -Reducing taxes due to poor economy. -Reducing Jeffco departmental costs due to citizens decline in earnings.
- Reducing taxes. Reducing size of bureaucracy.
- Reduction of public services & increase of taxes. I am supportive of tax increase only if we do not lose services and have increase of services. Reduction of services & increase of taxes is unacceptable.
- School budget tax rates due to property value changes
- School budgets. Foreclosures & older neighbors becoming under populated.
- Services
- Services.
- Stop spending money!
- Tax base. Traffic.
- Tax base. Unemployment.
- Tax increase.
- Tax increases over development
- Tax increases to fund larger, more useless gov't. Degradation of life style due to poorer economy.
- Tax revenue, lack of expanding rev/business tax base
- Tax shortage - internal affairs - nepotism & friends.
- Tax shortfall Management of tax money
- Taxes
- Taxes & school district spending.
- Taxes creeping up with no visible increase in services & citizens losing income & lack of local jobs. The politicians need to pay closer attention to unemployed people.
- Taxes jobs
- Taxes new or expanded roads

- Taxes on small business owners. Developing way too much land for the amount of people & jobs.
- Taxes raised. Social services for children & families in need.
- Taxes schools.
- Taxes your killing all of us. Poorly ran Jefferson County government. 1. Planning poor. 2. Bad planning on new sub divisions. A make them putt more parks in, open space I'm not talking about big road way with ilans and in the midal. Make them put up big money for schools. If not we have to build them with taxes. 3. Stop putting all these big house in that most people cannot aford. 4. Waste full spending.
- Taxes, Spending
- Taxes, taxes.
- Taxes. Growth.
- Taxes. Mud - pot.
- The ability to reduce the misuse and waste of tax dollars, i.e. Snowplows our when not necessary. County road crews that stand around not working. Lots of \$ could be saved by cutting waste rather than cutting programs. Adopt an approach to "running" the county that works more like a business than a government (wasteful) operation. (i.e.-end underutilized bus routes, etc. - if there isn't enough legitimate demand for services - stop providing them!)
- The budget
- These taxes are too high now. Stop spending so much sporting these kids with swimming pools etc. Instead of all this play they should be learning.
- Unfunded entitlement programs or mandates from fed/ state budget shortfalls due to economy and lag time of assessed value for property taxes.
- Using the budget money wisely. Keeping taxes low during slow economy.
- We have no money to spend on that. Money Money Money. The economy will not be stable for 10 yrs. People are looking their incomes which has a domino effect in counties incomes
- We need our senior tax exemption tax, for us to stay in our homes!
- We need to put the senior tax exemption back. Old people need this.
- With people losing jobs and houses, does the tax base decrease?
- You are broke and expecting money from me. You do nothing for me. Go away!! This BS survey is a good example. Am paying someone in New Jersey for this? Services for dead beats is better than & get because I don't need you. You take my money and I never see it again. Your building permit inspections are a joke. My biggest issue is that all of you will still be here in 5 years while I will be broke.

Economy- economic development, jobs

- (1) Bringing new businesses to the area-restaurants/stores. (2) Funding for our schools-if the voters won't vote for a mill levy for education, then the city should impose tax increases to fund our schools. Education is the cornerstone to a growth society.
- (1) Empty retail spaces related to high rents for small business. (2) Lack of weed control & fire protection/education during dry months & 4th of July fireworks (need more enforcement & awareness to prevent fires in town!)
- (1) Job opportunities. (2) Lose of tax base.
- (1) Jobs (2) Jobs
- (1) Lack of non-retail business. 2) Devaluation of real-estate properties (allowing crack houses to move into the county)- increased vacant commercial real-estate.
- (1) The economy - stores, businesses closing. (2) Unemployment.
- (1) Unemployment. (2) Budget cuts on Jeffco schools.

- 1) Bright and small business demise along Colfax - Need to revitalize and get businesses succeeding - no more malls like cold mills-more communities like Belmar. Ensure residents of JeffCo shop in Jeff Co. 2) preserving open space and county parks, and expanding, to ensure quality of life and to give Jeff Co its special image and reputation.
- 1) Economy 2) Traffic & roads
- 1) Economy. 2) Too much federal Gov!
- 1) Employment 2) Affordable living i.e. Property taxes water costs. Moved here from Summit County 9 mo ago but doubt we will stay - Granted, here in Genesee perception of "Jefferson County" is skewed...
- 1) Job growth. 2) Land use planning
- 1) Keeping businesses in the county & attracting new businesses. 2) Maintaining the high level of schools necessary for our children
- 1) Lack of economic growth. 2) High tax rates.
- 1) Loss of jobs. 2) The wasted money supporting the Northwest Parkway when studies have shown that it is not needed. Current infrastructure should be improved.
- 1) We need jobs! 2) Property tax went up property values went down tax cannot continue to go up. Live within your means. How much did this survey cost? You are wasting our money!
- 1)Economics may force the county to decrease programs. 2)Increase in social services for families in need.
- 1)Job creation 2)Quality of schools (seems to be currently decreasing in terms of quality education)
- 1. Creating job opportunities. 2. Maintaining environmental stewardship in the face of a challenging economy.
- 1. Economic issues-the ability to maintain the current levels & quality of service with out a significant increase in property taxes. The economic forecast appear to show a continuing seeing in property values thus reducing tax revenue 2. Increased traffic & associated expenses.
- 1. Economy 2. Pine beetles
- 1. Economy-lack of tax revenue. 2. Failing public schools
- 1. General economic problems due to unemployment or under-employment. 2. Road/traffic congestion.
- 1. Increase in loss of jobs as a result of poor economy. 2. Increase in number of persons without health insurance coverage.
- 1. Jobs & economic development. 2. Transportation-linking of C-470 with Northwest parkway is needed-Problems of weekend traffic on I-70 into the mountains needs attention.
- 1. Problems with unemployed youth-as seen in the higher number of burglaries recently. 2. Traffic flow & the ability to fix the potholes that exist now.
- 1. The economy 2. Decisions made by the government that would effect the states, funds etc.
- 1. Unemployment 2. Lower tax base.
- 1-Create new jobs, then attracting new investments. 2-Improve education opportunities & quality for the youth and unemployed.
- Attracting business development to improve the economy & tax revenue.
- Attracting new business finishing C-470 loop.
- Availability of jobs. Traffic.
- Bad economy job loss, foreclosures, taxes county services with increased need for services. Mass transit-oil is depleting, gas prices will go up and we need a comprehensive light rail system.
- Balancing economic development with quality of life the budget \$\$\$
- Blue collar jobs
- Businesses closing ie Wadsworth, Increased crime rates

- Commercial business. Education.
- Completing the NW Beltway. Attracting job producing business. Controlling school taxes.
- Continued cultivation of high-tech jobs like Lockheed, energy home for closures and drop in home prices
- Creating jobs for those in the work force maintaining existing roads better.
- Depends entirely on economy. If economy improves : probably I-70 West Bottle Neck. If economy stagnates or worsens: unemployment.
- Doesn't seem to be enough jobs in Jeffco to support the standard of living. - Property taxes are already too high.
- Due to the economic crimes and the government wants to connect to communism. This is a difficult question, however here are 2. 1) Secure job growth outside of government. 2) Politicians pursuing there own agenda and living there pockets, other than doing the will of the people.
- Economic - job losses - building stores empty because of closures. Taxation - too much taxes for home owners.
- Economic decline-loss of jobs education funding
- Economic development - Environmental protection
- Economic development - or lack of social services for seniors, children of families in need
- Economic development & budget shortfalls.
- Economic development decrease in tax revenue
- Economic development healthcare provision to low income & moderate income citizens.
- Economic development of high tech jobs. Encourage high density development near fast-tracks
- Economic development. Budget cuts
- Economic development. Keeping Jefferson County modern and not run down looking.
- Economic development. Tax receipt reductions (lower home valuations)
- Economic growth - The nation's economy must improve in order for any county to thrive. I'm hoping to see a movement to growth in green jobs in particular.
- Economic growth housing stimulus
- Economic growth.
- Economic growth. Balancing county budget.
- Economic growth. Changing tax base.
- Economic growth. Protection of open spaces
- Economic hardship. Growth.
- Economic upturn, considering all factors in quality of life. E.g. You're "anti" church in allowing zoning along major arteries
- Economic.
- Economic. Decline.
- Economy - price of re going down, cost of living increasing, tax increase due to loss of county income - Traffic increase
- Economy - We need good jobs to pay for government security-being safe is very important.
- Economy (revenue shortfalls) sustaining/maintaining quality of life at current levels
- Economy and it's effects on taxpayer. Growth, when is it time to limit it and provide more open space.
- Economy and related issues such as employment opportunities and affordable housing. Conducive environment for existing small business to remain profitable and for new small business to be established.
- Economy and wealth.
- Economy crime.
- Economy federal government-spending

- Economy funding for education.
- Economy growth
- Economy health care
- Economy health care benefits for seniors.
- Economy shortage of and canceling services and benefits parts etc.
- Economy!!!
- Economy, over crowding.
- Economy. Crime.
- Economy. Empty office space. To many rental properties in family neighborhoods.
- Economy/budget; Urban development
- Economy/jobs
- Economy/jobs and budget short falls
- Economy/Jobs/Unemployment, Xsive growth
- Economy/loss of tax base, providing adequate services, especially education.
- Economy: jobs/housing costs. Taxes: high enough end not getting value for what's paid.
- Employment
- Employment growth
- Employment growth
- Employment Health care
- Employment opportunities taxes
- Employment over population for services available
- Employment rate. Environmental considerations.
- Employment Taxes (property)
- Employment traffic
- Employment, continuing strong environmental. Conservation practices despite less \$.
- Employment. Maintaining tax base.
- Employment. Taxes.
- Employment/availability of jobs. Cost of living in Jeffco - taxes etc.
- Encouraging high jobs (i.e. > 7th 75K) Road repair
- Growth of businesses & jobs population growth outpaces roads & traffic
- I need some jobs and put replace back in work
- Improving economic growth to generate needed tax revenue. Improving quality of education system to attract families to the county.
- Job creation, and better roads for road cycling. Also controlling growth to keep the 'Small-town' environment.
- Job creation, maintenance, and retraining public health services
- Job creation. Social services
- Job growth
- Job growth and budgets.
- Job growth and economic development.
- Job growth budget
- Job growth public health care
- Job growth, controlling development
- Job growth. Affordable housing.
- Job growth. Public transportation.
- Job loss. Road conditions.
- Job openings, commercial growth.
- Job opportunities, School closures.
- Job opportunities. Higher taxes.

- Job security economy
- Jobs
- Jobs
- Jobs - Job growth for professionals reduced budget income.
- Jobs - Taxes vs. budget.
- Jobs & Economy
- Job's & jobs.
- Jobs & over crowding
- Jobs & reducing size of government spending.
- Jobs (lack of) crime
- Jobs and jobs.
- Jobs budget
- Jobs for unemployed. Overall economy.
- Jobs housing
- Jobs schools
- Jobs! Taxes property taxes are out of control !!!!
- Jobs, repossessed and foreclosure of homes and business buildings.
- Jobs, School budget
- Jobs, school district issues.
- Jobs. County budget.
- Jobs. Health care
- Jobs. No increase in taxes. Responsible spending job reduction if necessary like everyone else. Live in your budget quit crying to the public we are all hurting. Welcome to America. I am a business owner who will not get a pay check for 4 to 5 months. I went from 12 employees to 4.
- Jobs. Prop. Taxes.
- Jobs. Property taxes for senior citizens
- Jobs/economy. Green development
- Jobs/growth.
- Keeping businesses from closing down. There are more & more vacant buildings which of course lends to a big loss in tax revenue for the county.
- Keeping good business/stores open. Parks & Rec competition with Highlands Ranch
- Keeping retail/ commercial business education.
- Lack of employment opportunities. Budget constriction due to no-growth economy.
- Lack of stimulation to attract new businesses- Most of businesses are leaving the county. The county is attracting aging group & seniors who really do not care for schools and educational programs. Taxes are too low & doesn't cover all the needs of Jeffco people
- Loss of businesses, budget shortfalls.
- Lost jobs. Education.
- Low economy & joblessness over population need mass transit esp to DIA & downtown-nonstop
- New businesses bringing in jobs highway construction-toll way
- New jobs for people without collage degrees wider spread affordable housing.
- No jobs
- No work to many people
- Not competitive pay/increases in law enforcement keeping qualify teachers/facilities in Jeffco.
- Poor economy and too much development of open space for housing & commercial use
- Positive business growth, i.e. Cabellas. Budget. Need more sidewalks! I live off of 32nd & Indiana & bike paths.
- Providing jobs, maintaining education on a declining economy.

- Roads. Public health services.
- Slow economic growth. Stop providing health care for illegal immigrants
- Small business growth (lack of) increased federal, state & local taxes.
- Taxes, public services.
- The bad economy. Home for closures.
- The economy
- The economy - this includes; employment and foreclosures, ripple effect will impact tax collections and budgets. Education - getting our youth to understand their place today and in the future.
- The economy & health services
- The economy and what the government decides how to direct public funds to help or hurt Jefferson Cnty.
- The economy jobs & cost of living (taxes)
- The economy, unemployment, maintaining a tax base because of those factors.
- The economy. Availability of jobs.
- The general economy
- Traffic congestion. Land use, planning & zoning
- Unemployment - Uninsured-health insurance
- Unemployment affecting housing and property value.
- Unemployment and completion of C-470
- Unemployment loss of home values. Huge mortgage co. Non conforming to rules, laws etc. Very disserving and scary.
- Unemployment senior citizen help
- Unemployment.
- Unemployment. Crime.
- Unemployment. Foreclosures.
- Unemployment. Growth of residential out numbering commercial.
- Unemployment. Mother nature.
- Unemployment. Services provided by law enforcement.
- Unemployment: businesses closing increased taxes - were retired, fixed incomes & must plan to move North soon.

Growth issues- population growth, planning, land use and development

- #1 Growth - making growth responsible & not abandoning older buildings. #2 loss of open spaces to growth & housing development.
- (1) Allowing too much growth without considering the lack of water, services, etc i.e. Coding in to developers. (2) Not enough open space to provide a healthy quality of life. I.e. Caving in to greedy developers who want to crowd people into housing that can't support that many people like Forsberg park. The city sold the peoples open space to a Canadian developer.
- (1) Limiting or controlling growth- none is preferable population growth would be the main reason to leave. (2) Balancing the county budget
- (1) The candelas development proposal - I am strongly against the development of the land along 72/93.
- (1) Too much growth (i.e. Developers building houses and retail/commercial on open spaces)
(2) Budget concerns
- (1) Too much pop. Growth/development/overcrowding.

- (1) Uncontrolled population growth. (2) Acceptable completion of C-470 that does not destroy Golden and the character of Jefferson County.
- 1- Excessive development. 2 Traffic congestion on highways.
- 1) Control growth, too many buildings being build left empty. 2) The placement of the rest of the Beltway. Should go down highway 93. It makes the most sense.
- 1) Coping with population growth in a struggling economy. 2) School funding.
- 1) Growing in such a way as to meet destroy over environment. Development of roads to support growth and not slow traffic on impair access.
- 1) Increased population density w/ increased strain on public resources (open space, library, social services). 2) Declining property values & sales tax revenue for Jeffco d/4 current economy to cope w/ population density.
- 1) Population growth 2)??
- 1) Trying to maintain the current communities while trying to build new communities. 2) Trying to improve community services without impacting the environment
- 1)Urban sprawl-loss of community. 2)Loss of open space.
- 1. Balancing housing, retail, industrial & open space. 2. Helping poor people as a result of the economy.
- 1. Growth (too fast) 2. Water supplies.
- 1. Managing growth. 2. Managing budget.
- 1. Over development in the NW region of Jeff. Co. 2. The construction of a toll way that local community members will not use a like the poorly used Northwest toll way in builder-Aurora area. Home owners in Golden that is part of Jefferson co are not being hear when it comes to the impact of the toll road on their lives. I feel commissioners have their own personal agendas-not the majority, Anyone who has something to say in opposition is shut down. There is no compromising w/ commissioners and that's too bad and unprofessional.
- 1. Over development residential/commercial stresses infrastructure & environ, quality 2. Develop & implement & plan to reduce county carbon footprint- i.e. Do our part to ease effects of global warming.
- 1. Population growth and providing required educational facilities. 2. Continual escalation of county taxes on seniors who live on fixed incomes.
- 1. Too much commercialization. Stop new building & fill all empty commercial in South Jeff co. 2. Strictly enforce laws as crime increases & have a reputation for coming down hard on crime. Use this as a deterrent for criminals.
- 1. Too much residential development causing budget stress. 2. Lack of education funding causing families to move to other counties.
- Approval of development without acknowledge input, adequate non based, but experience planning
- Balancing economic growth with rural lifestyles & natural area protection. Preventing unnecessarily dense development without being hostile to economic growth. Avoiding the temptation to compensate for budget shortfalls with overzealous low enforcement to extract fines from Jefferson County residents.
- Balancing growth development with natural beauty, open space & quality of life.
- Continuing to build & expand when there are so many unused buildings that could be used instead! Education funding!
- Control growth
- Control growth and conserve open spaces.
- Control of growth which effects services & quality of life.
- Controlled development. Supporting education
- Controlled growth. Road maintenance.

- Controlling excessive development and retaining quality of life for residents.
- Controlling growth and crime to keep our quality of life good.
- Controlling growth. Maintaining a good education system.
- Excessive growth
- Fill vacant commercial buildings before allowing further new development. Create new non-retail job opportunities. Please don't use taxpayer dollars for surveys - instead have the commissioners & other public servants talk to the citizenry û one on one û not in groups where 1 or 2 people monopolize the discussion.
- Get new residents keep jobs.
- Glut of shopping centers. Northwest Pkwy ok! New housing no!
- Growing & aging population. Wildlife management.
- Growing too quickly, possible increase in crime.
- Growth
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- Growth - dealing with traffic - Water
- Growth - E470 proposal.
- Growth - influent of people which means more services, roads & police support, and finding leaders who have enough expertise to plan and execute the needed growth. They need people with moral courage to lead and make Jefferson County the place we moved to in 1962.
- Growth - too much! Water - too little!
- Growth - unmanaged. C-470 and were it may be + traffic as a result.
- Growth & balancing the budget.
- Growth & destroying natural beauty of county.
- Growth & funding
- Growth & land expansion.
- Growth & resources.
- Growth & schools
- Growth & the unwanted C470 road that no one wants.
- Growth & water
- Growth (traffic and new development social services improvement (increasing health care needs esp. For seniors and low-income families.
- Growth and jobs within the county area
- Growth and lack thereof!
- Growth and related demand for services need for more highway & road building.
- Growth and water conservation efforts (not expansion of water use.)
- Growth Funding.
- Growth in the cities and budget shortfalls
- Growth Jobs
- Growth management
- Growth more people, more building, more vehicles
- Growth- needs to be planned & controlled economic development (more support for small business.
- Growth no jobs.
- Growth of population reduce services for teachers & senior citizens
- Growth of rural areas. Forest/fire management.
- Growth over crowding, business expansion

- Growth traffic
- Growth uncontrolled, affordable housing.
- Growth water
- Growth Water.
- Growth!!!
- Growth, affordable housing.
- Growth, and funding for schools.
- Growth, budget
- Growth, budget
- Growth, budgets.
- Growth, economy
- Growth, Education.
- Growth, Flooding.
- Growth, health care, and preservation of open space and the environment.
- Growth, illegals.
- Growth, Income.
- Growth, Increase of crime.
- Growth, Job market.
- Growth, NW Parkway
- Growth, Taxes
- Growth, traffic
- Growth. Education
- Growth. Poor economy.
- Growth. Poor economy.
- Growth. Providing services for the growth.
- Growth/cost of living. High taxes.
- Growth-too much road congestion
- High density housing growth & associated reduction in quality of life. Increase in low-income residents who rent housing when owners move to better environs.
- I think the growth of Jefferson County would be an issue. "With in Jefferson County".
- Increase in population causing water shortages. Quality of education.
- Increase in population. Increase in traffic.
- Increased growth & population negatively affecting quality of life. Preservation & expansion of open space lands.
- Increased population. Allocation of income to represent all areas of the county.
- Inept county employees. - Mismanagement of the tax revenue this county brings in & spends on things that don't need to be as fancy as that county government complex down by Golden - Why more marble and glass than is necessary.
- Lack of growth. Aging/declining population
- Limits on new construction (should be more responsibly limited). Maintaining quality schools
- Lowering our - lowering our taxes
- Management of growth. Overall economic growth (Job creation etc.)
- Managing growth
- Managing growth i.e. Traffic, budget shortfalls related to poor economy.
- Managing growth, controlling expenses
- Managing growth. Raising taxes. The increase of tickets written to support drop in revenues.
- Managing heavy population growth, environmentally sound. Improving K-12 education standards.

- Minimizing/limiting commercial & residential growth/development and expansion. We are against growth. We don't want to live in a diversely populated area. We enjoy the openness of our area. Have more open space like Boulder county!
- Need for growth of the Jefferson County sheriff's department Road maintenance
- Out of control building, spending.
- Over crowding of resources. Too much w/o infrastructure to support and stores. Grocery & large shopping like Home Depot & Lowes are too far away adding to traffic & environmental impacts. Hospitals are becoming spill over. The new hospital @ 6th & units should be welcome relief, adding jobs, housing etc.
- Over crowding.
- Over development in/of rural areas out of control taxes and spending
- Over development, Housing economy
- Over development. Job growth.
- Over growth in population over growth in discount shops
- Over population
- Over population
- Over population under funding of necessary services
- Over population, To much retail space
- Over population. Budget.
- Over population. Finances to pay for services.
- Over population-traffic issues
- Overbuilt retail space
- Over-population and road maintenance
- People as in too many, stop development, your ruining the area (20 year resident)
- Planned growth. County-based services (i.e. Libraries, law enforcement)
- Poorly planned growth inability of roads to handle increased traffic
- Population growth - Property zoning
- Population growth & related services, money or means to provide these services.
- Population growth (including illegals) taxation & spending on the right things
- Population Growth , Open space
- Population growth affordable housing.
- Population growth and new home building.
- Population growth budget shortfalls
- Population growth loss of undeveloped land
- Population growth, habitat loss
- Population growth, law enforcement.
- Population growth. Budget shortfalls.
- Population growth. Declining/aging infrastructure (repairs required).
- Population growth. Economy
- Population growth. Economy - Jobs - etc. Traffic.
- Population growth. Federal government interference.
- Population growth. Mass transportation.
- Population increase Job decrease
- Population increase taxes
- Population smog.
- Population sprawl; under funded schools.
- Popullation growth. Economic growth.
- Previous county administrators thought the key to prosperity was unplanned growth at any cost with no impacts fees, we have too many people over using infrastructure, its falling apart and

have no money to fix it. Commercial residential developers must pay impact fees as a small hedge against future costs. The only options available to the county now are to increase taxes or have more growth. Neither are good.

- Quality planned growth. Quality planned business development.
- Reduction of sprawl. Supporting citizens & not developers. Dump the current county commissioners!
- Responsible residential and commercial growth law enforcement services resulting from growth
- Restrictions on growth. Highway 93 traffic
- Stopping "Growth" and "Progress" as defined by real estate developers. Creating jobs. Keeping "Property Taxes" down.
- Sustainable economic growth environmental preservation & integration.
- To many people keep open space.
- To much growth. Job creation. Quality of education.
- To much population growth.
- Too big! Especially the schools. Administration should be two separate administrations. Also parks & rec. Monies aren't listened to by citizens. For years folks along 32nd West of Youngfield have ask for a like path to city of Golden. It is a timed pathway for people on bicycles. Two people, that I know of have died yet nobody seems to want to do something about all the folks daily on bicycles to city of Golden.
- Too many new homes built. Not enough job availability.
- Too many new homes. Too few jobs.
- Too many old houses. Low employment, therefore low tax revenues. Out of control housing growth & commercial buildings.
- Too many people
- Too many people.
- Too much construction growth-empty buildings that could be used rather than new construction. Large classroom numbers, fewer teachers.
- Too much development. The lose of open space
- Too much growth and loss of open space.
- Too much growth and too much taxation.
- Too much growth in beautiful places like Rooney Valley & that area of the 470 corridor. Shame we have to lose that area to development. It would also be a shame to have more development up in the conifer/Pine area. We can't support what's been built and there are empty buildings.
- Too much growth lower tax income.
- Too much growth not enough local employment to support the growth
- Too much growth, Two lane truck traffic
- Too much growth. Too much growth.
- Too much growth. When everyone wants to live in a more "rural area" it turns the area into a city & we will have all the problems that go with a city.
- Too much population growth = less services/more crime over development of land for housing and retail Jeffco needs to support the people and businesses it already has instead of just taking on more.
- Too much unnecessary development budgets.
- Unbridled growth Northwest corridor tollway
- Uncontrolled growth without supporting infrastructure (roads, maintenance etc.) Loss of tax revenue for schools, social services, libraries etc.
- Uncontrolled growth. Growth outstripping infrastructure - especially water supplies
- Unneeded building of more strip malls. To many people. To much traffic.

- Unsupported growth- development which is not filled. New housing that roads, services can not support.
- Urban sprawl us environmental concerns many people chose to live in Jefferson County in part, because of its semi-rural nature. Development must be tempered with a concern to retain be the open spaces & rural nature of the county- Budget- How to provide more service with reduced \$.
- Way too many people! Not enough law enforcement on county roads. I.e. Golden gate Lyn - Coal Creek, speeding very dangerous. Bicycles are huge problem on these roads, must be discontinued do not follow rules. May be very should have a license fee to even ride on the cty rds. They have wonderful bike pains but do not use them.

Education/schools

- (1) Education in the Mtn areas is poor which is why we open enrolled to Boulder County. (2) Pine Beetle is or will be a problem on forest land should have tax incentive for home owners that take care of the Pine Beetle infested trees on their property.
- (1) Funding quality public education. (2) Reasonable development that promotes job growth and economic progress while protecting communities and the natural environment that Colorado is so famous for.
- (1) Maintaining & improving schools, social services, mental health care, libraries, museums, recreation centers and parks. (2) Maintaining & improving the county infrastructure (roads, water systems, sewers, etc.).
- (1) Reducing the size of the Jefferson County school system. (2) Keeping law enforcement well staffed.
- (1) Restructure public education while improving quality to reduce costs by focusing on strong basics. (2) Handle the population growth that is coming.
- (1) School funding. The county school system is the biggest item on my county property tax bill, yet school issues are completely missing from this survey. (2) Funding everything else during a recession. Perhaps an over-reliance on sales tax to provide a steady level of services, or increased services when revenues are low, is fundamentally flawed.
- (1) Terrible schools in Jeffco, Colorado, & public school in general. We are in the 43rd place academically in the nation. The nation ranks 30/45 in science & math obviously quality education is not a priority ... Questions about education aren't even on this survey!! Wake up why spend money on this survey? Why don't you give it to the schools?
- 1) Funding for education. (2) Crime increasing.
- 1) Lack of funding for schools which will hurt property values. 2) How to recover from all the years worth of cuts in budgets even when the economy improves.
- 1) Public schools need our help! Children are our future we must keep them learning & involved w/ activities. Pay the teachers more not administration no more taxes for roads pay for schools!!! 2) I believe there will be an increase in crime i.e. Drugs theft etc. I have lived here my whole life and see an increase, that is why we need to keep kids involved so drugs & crime are not in their lives.
- 1)Keeping public schools competitive. 2)Reducing professional taxes to reflect reduction in value of real estate.
- 1)Reductions in services esp. Schools (i.e. Classrooms) & Social services. 2)In Unincorp. Jeffco - water quality and quantity issues arising as a result of infill development where covenants are not followed and Jeffco government continues to permit septic close to homes of wells-huge problem in evergreen
- 1)Support for schools & teachers/education. 2)Balancing the budget.

- 1. Adequately funding schools
- 1. Education. The quality of education in Jeffco has eroded on the 25 years we have lived here. We must invest in our future. 2. Economy. We have more than enough retail. There are a lot of empty stores. We need other jobs to promote the economy.
- 1. Education-please work hard to improve local high schools-get rid of the open campus & block plan. 2. Cost of living in Jeff & Co. 3. Health services-keeping it affordable for all.
- 1. Increased taxes. 2. Size-Jeff Co needs to be split between Mountain & Urban areas
- 1. K-12 education 2. Mass transit
- 1. Keeping quality teachers/schools a priority & how to fix the budget issues. 2. Maintaining quality of life services for the community i.e. rec centers, pools, libraries, parks, open space etc.
- 1. Keeping the quality of education at a high level. 2. Not spending money on unnecessary things.
- 1. Managing the school system & budgets w/o raising taxes which will cause more pain & disgruntled people. Households & business must work & adjust to budget charges- Government must run efficiently also.
- 1. School 2. Bike paths.
- 1. Schools = building all these new schools and closing others all that dose raises taxes. 2. Keeping the taxes down. Your going to taxes retired people out of there homes TAXES TAXES TAXES.
- Appropriate/adequate funding for K-12 schooling social services funding.
- Attracting and retaining quality teachers; Maintaining current level of county services without increasing taxes.
- Coping with educational budget short falls, improving schools. Maintaining & increasing property values, job growth.
- Cost of schools. Transportation/road building.
- Decreased budget for schools - quality of schools is declining rapidly. Too much growth in mountains. Pine beetle destruction causing lower property values.
- Diminishing quality of public education staying within a reasonable budget (Bonuses for county employees should not be allowed)
- Education
- Education
- Education - loss of funding cost to run a city
- Education - School closures; activity cuts. Population growth to service availability; in law enforcement.
- Education & the spending of funds that could go to better projects. *The sheriff's office should stay off the highway & serve the county residents. They are not the state patrol! There is no need for county sheriff's to be enforcing on I-70. Enforce the speed on county roads or patrol them at least.
- Education and affordable college opportunities for families struggling to provide the basics. Creating jobs. Building as better mass transit system; a light rail with connecting RTD buses to move people and reduce traffic. Example- The BART systems in Calif.
- Education Education Education
- Education for K-12 keeping home values up keeping same level of law enforcement up with the new availability of other people passing through w/ Fastrax.
- Education funding decreases. We need better public transportation!
- Education funding. Jobs.
- Education not being funded. Social services not being funded.
- Education over growth
- Education road construction

- Education tax increases
- Education. Quality of court services, which has decreased severely, especially family law. Terrible backlog & response time.
- Education. Social services for seniors
- Education/schools budget, employment.
- Efficiency of schools/back to basics should be main focus consideration to split county due to Mountain Area vs South vs North continued focus on economic growth in balance with environment & infrastructure costs.
- Financing for Schools. Financing for social services.
- Funding education us. Restraint increasing taxation (home, sales)
- Funding public education appropriately managing the budget.
- Funding schools with dwindling resources. Aging population.
- Good schools, cutting cost of services
- Jeffco school budget. Services to those with disabilities.
- Jeffco schools.
- K-12 education
- Keeping public education at its current level which in general the schools here are good. New roads.
- Keeping the schools intact with enough funds to operate properly, Beetle kill of our forests
- Maintain quality education.
- Maintaining a high quality education system in the face of budget cuts. Dealing with the dichotomy between urbanized/incorporated and rural/unincorporated parts of the county - there are very different needs!
- Maintaining quality education services on all levels and job growth.
- Maintaining quality of schools. Completion of light rail services.
- Maintaining schools water, always-should always have watering restrictions
- Managing the education budget- taxing issues- property values down- taxes ?
- Money for education - i.e. Our school budgets are pitiful.
- Money for education. Foreclosures which would lead to the need for funding of zoning patrol which is already lacking.
- Money for schools, to much spending to match income to much waste of money
- Not enough for schools. Not enough for road & bridge repair
- Our dreadful school system in mediocre teachers & hardly only homework. Does not motivate, challenge or prepare our students for college or the real world. I love this place was totally unimpressed with the schools my son went to. I wouldn't afford private school so I had no alternative.
- Pressures on the school system, related to budget. Pressures on the county's social services budget
- Public education and infrastructure.
- Public education cost.
- Public school education is very important and should not be cut. Big box retailers should be kept of residential areas.
- Public school funding. Employment growth. Road maintenance/congestion.
- Public schools water
- Quality of education in 1-12 schools. Effective use of taxes collected-too much staffing or inefficient use of staffing.
- Quality of education K-12. Job creation & retention.
- Reduction in quality of schools due to budget issues. Hack of job creation for middle income families.

- School budget & cuts C470 & I70 traffic & infrastructure
- School budget shortfalls. Open space has more money than it needs.
- School budgets.
- School closures. Library closures
- School closures. Not enough money going schools.
- School closures/remaining open. Public health/health care.
- School cuts School budget
- School funding and unsupported growth
- School funding. Road maintenance.
- School system. Roads; Streets.
- Schools
- Schools
- Schools - reduce expenses, reduce budget.
- Schools and budget shortfalls crime
- Schools and help for senior citizens need affordable housing.
- Schools quality of education
- Schools real estate taxes
- School's spending frivolously I'm not a proper 2 that bring me are. Blue Mtn getting away with about 3 million over last 10 yrs by establishing themselves as agriculture for tax purposes.
- Schools Water
- Schools, growth
- Schools, jobs
- Schools, roads
- Schools, Social services
- Schools, teacher salaries health care services
- Schools. Retail
- Schools. Roads.
- Schools-Budgets
- Schools-traffic.
- Supporting public education. Social services for those in need.
- The school budget. The overall budget
- The schools. I am outraged at the Jeffco senior high schools scheduling. Students should be attending each of their classes every day. Instead of having off blocks which, when combined with their lunch time, Can give them 4 hrs off-campus, unsupervised time to get into trouble. This system is more than ridiculous! It is unacceptable. It needs to be changed.
- Use of taxes collected for education (Jeffco schools). Fire protection in unincorporated Jefferson County.

Transportation issues- new roads, traffic, mass transit, 470 development

- (1) Citizen opposition to Jeff co's determined stand to build a Beltway for development friends.
- (2) Commissioners "We know what is best" attitude on unpopular issues that negatively affect residents.
- (1) Completion of Beltway! Toll Road opposed!! (2) Growth & sprawl desecration of states beauty along Hiway 93. Cadellas dev. We do not need this and using our water resources for it. Enlargement of gross reservoir a travesty. The commissioners support of both 1. And 2. (same issue) is misdirected wrong and shall forever be regretted! Completely encircling Denver Metroplex with hi speed road will please someone glancing at a map but is stupid!

- (1) Deciding major roads like 470 (2) Figuring out how to pay for services & facilities people went & expect.
- (1) Keeping the "Jefferson Parkway" toll road out of Golden. (2) Making the "Right" budget cuts to balance the budget. This means not doing the wrong things, like closing libraries and parks.
- (1) Mass transit connection to Denver. (2) Projecting a better wage to the Metropolitan area.
- (1) The extension of C-470 by the Co. Commissioners who are only interested in increasing prop. Tax revenue so they can spend more. (2) Maintaining costs of operating.
- (1) The Northwest Parkway should not be built. Why is McCasley supporting that Folly when he should be concentrating on maintaining & improving what we already have in place? Better transit & bike ability is needed as well as walking for commuting. (2) Loss of job opportunities and small business because of the banking economic collapse brought about by the national economy. Jeffco should continue to focus on the job growth associated with the new energy economy renewable energy sustainable communities. This is the only growing point of economy.
- (1) Turning R. 93 into a "toll road" or making part of it a beltway. This is a terrible idea. (2) Potential glut of foreclosures in certain neighborhoods.
- (2) Increased traffic - I have seen it increase tremendously in the 10 years we have lived here. (1) Balancing taxes with services. Very difficult.
- 1 Traffic 93 N of Golden, rush hour and week end congestion around South West plaza & all of Kipling & Wadsworth. 2 Shrinking budget continued foreclosures.
- 1) Beltway completion through golden. 2) Traffic control - speeding, wreckless driving, law-ignoring bicyclists, red light runners.
- 1) Roadways to ease traffic. 2) Local job creation
- 1) Traffic. 2) Families in need.
- 1. Development of the E470 connection of the city of Brookfield to the city of Golden. 2. Water availability.
- 1. I-70 corridor 2. Over development - Tearing up the mountain community, building & have no one to lease it to - very frustrating to see!
- 1. Overall costs far fast track so more taxes 2. 470 - extend or not to extend. 3. Taxes for seniors lower in other states.
- 470 Beltway education
- A Parkway Expressway along Hwy 93 - which I oppose. Making people understand that they need to pay taxes if they want a viable community with good schools, roads & parks, etc. Tax cuts to the wealthiest among us do not help our community prosper!
- Auto traffic. Job growth
- beltway
- Beltway issue and smart growth/development.
- Beltway. Mass transit.
- Better access to mass transit. Growth in population.
- Boulder communities chocking our freeways. Taxes especially for senior prop taxes.
- Building new roads to lose traffic. Public health-related services.
- Building sufficient fast track level etc. Property taxes.
- Building unnecessary toll road & light rail.
- C-470 West by-pas or improve SH93 higher taxes.
- Completing 470.
- Completing C470 loop.
- Completion of Beltway through Golden light rail is needed.
- Completion of C-470 thru Golden fast tracks.
- Completion of the light rail. Budget causes.

- Congested traffic. Recreation opportunities.
- Crowded road affordable housing
- Don't want C470 to come to North Golden. More population growth due to new light rail system.
- Encourage telecommuting & 4-day work-weeks to cut down on cars & traffic
- Expansion of 93 & toll road which I oppose lack of trust in Jeffco due to lack of listening a response.
- Extending NW Parkway (470). Budget shortfalls.
- Growth. Taxes.
- Highway 93, road conditions and traffic flow. Opening more open space/creating more parks.
- I think building the northwest parkway will be a disaster, encouraging the building of even more homes and further increasing traffic. Jefferson County needs more businesses and fewer residents. Encouraging businesses to locate in Jeff Co will be important.
- I think it will be traffic issues & fixing of the county roads.
- I-70 traffic. Limitation to growth.
- I-70 traffic. School closures.
- Improvements to highway 93 & Indiana.
- Increase in population creates two issues: Increase in road use and increase in crime. We need more recycling locations please! Thank you.
- Increase in traffic, foreclosures
- Increased traffic and retail development.
- Increased traffic pollution from traffic
- Increasing traffic especially due to poor public transportation and alternative transportation options such as better (safer) bicycling options.
- Jeffco Beltway/toll roads - wrong track budget
- Jeffco Parkway - Controlling growth such that we can maintain our way of life
- Jefferson Parkway - Do not build it! Economic development
- Jefferson Parkway. Jefferson County schools.
- Light rail extension. Social services.
- Mass transit - Need improved access & parking roads & lighting
- Mass transit - support for our schools
- Mass transit and not having enough rid-light rail access.
- Mountain traffic & crime (because of the economy)
- New roads growth.
- No on W470 Parkway through Golden
- Northwest corridor C470 traffic flow through West Arvada
- Not let the last section off W-470 be built waste of money & will not EASC traffic, just make people find other ways to travel, not letting the national Gov. Bankrupt the state & local gov.
- NW Beltway - I oppose it. Economy & budget shortfalls.
- Over crowded roads/mass transit. Budget crisis.
- Public transit - build light rail corridors maintaining the current level of jobs and attracting non - service based industries for new jobs
- Public transit.
- Public transportation (more bus routes needed) small business incentives
- Road congestion and population growth. Rising cost of public education with diminishing performance of students (reading, writing, mathematics & history giving way to cultural political correctness).
- Roads & traffic we need the jobs for legal! residents.
- Roads. Growth

- Roads-finish 470 loon growth
- The expansion of 470. The retailing of 93-72.
- The mistake the county is making in not using Colorado Highway 93 for the proposed toll road. Using Indiana is not a good idea. Developers are being served-not the public!
- The Northwest Beltway (I'm opposed to this!) Population growth
- The NW Parkway - which I oppose. That will bring more congestion & growth in industry that isn't needed. I'm also concerned about K-12 education & its quality & viability.
- The possible toll road N of Golden. Why a toll road? Don't the "experts" know that most of US citizens will not use the toll road. E470 was not as well traveled so did not make as much money as the "experts" thought. Haven't the "experts" found out that some of the toll roads in USA because they were not financially viable were sold to foreign countries!!! I say follow the money. Who will make the most money if this toll road is built so we really want a "tech center" North of Golden along a highway #93- that now has such beautiful sister if I were a billionaire. I would buy up the new built land along 93 and give it to the citizens for open space.
- -Toll road (s) that we don't need. -Results of poor zoning/development planning.
- Toll Road look up thru Golden we strongly oppose
- Toll roads - don't want employment
- Traffic
- Traffic & road repairs-maintenance.
- Traffic and job loss.
- Traffic congestion and job growth.
- Traffic congestion encouraged by over development of highways and free ways which lands to more growth light rail & rtd should be more heavily subsidized. Over-development of retail shopping malls.
- Traffic congestion on Hwy. 93 due to extreme poor planning where the Hwy goes through golden. Not finishing the link in the C420 project.
- Traffic congestion Road & bridge repairs.
- Traffic congestion. Water scarcity
- Traffic control property taxes
- Traffic control. Water shortage due to over new home building.
- Traffic flow
- Traffic flow
- Traffic flow economic growth.
- Traffic flow. Road repair
- Traffic increase, crime.
- Traffic issues. Employment/Economic issues-
- Traffic Jobs
- Traffic property taxes.
- Traffic, Crime
- Traffic, economy (jobs)
- Traffic, Growth
- Traffic, issues, rise in taxes while on a fixed income.
- Traffic, loss of businesses.
- Traffic, schools, public health, shopping centers
- Traffic. Jobs.
- Traffic. Social service.
- Traffic/schools, maintaining a best in class education
- Transportation and jobs

- Transportation growth

Health and Human Services - healthcare, services to seniors, aging population, low-income

- (1) Aging population, fewer children, inability to shrink county government schools in response. (2) Trying to provide too many services with declining or stagnate tax base.
- (1) Taking care of seniors, youth, handicap (Taking care of people in general support co Exp - why use an out of state research center? (2) Caring more about people than the political games. (3) Why did 2 surveys come to my address?? This is waste
- 1- Reaching out and serving high school youth at risk from not fitting in, and finding ways for staying in school, jobs, activities, success. 2- Balancing budget with needs, environment and services for all residents.
- 1. Keep providing social services during budget short falls. 2. Repairing faulty roads/bridges/infrastructure during budget short falls.
- 1. Providing easily accessible assistance programs to the elderly, children & families in need. 2. Keeping up the quality of life in Jeffco, despite budget issues.
- Aging population & economic downturn
- Aging population Aging housing stock.
- Aging population. Revenue shortfall
- Aging services. Public health
- An aging population, no room for growth & development with inexpensive land, Jeff Co B getting old & somewhat crusty around the edger.
- Becoming an old community recycling
- Health care & new taxes.
- Health services, jobs, school support
- Human & environmental health issues.
- I think the public health services. End economic development.
- Increase in social services needs due to effects of the economy. Affordable housing needs will increase.
- Public assistance for illegal aliens tax increases across the board
- Senior services & health care.
- Services for seniors, children & families.
- Social services for seniors, children and families in need public health-related services. Since our government US is so challenge with world problems. Politicians are forgetting who we are. US government is in big trouble they have there hands in to many things and the American people are going to loose in end. We expected change with our current president but his first year was down hill. The national health care plan is to big to handle in one package. This process should be look at in steps not everything at one time.
- Social services, Economic growth
- Social services, Health care.

Infrastructure- maintaining existing roads, bridges, storm drainage

- (1) Drinking water (2) Employment
- (1) Infrastructure maintenance/upkeep (roads, schools, etc.) (2) Changing population demographics (Aging population changing requirements for services from children to retirees.)
- 1)Efficient roads 2)Spending too much on social programs. Also I think the library tax is high, and the 30th/year dog license is preposterous.

- 1)Water (quantity & quality) in unincorporated areas. 2)Pine beetle.
- 1. Road maintenance & repair for unincorporated Jeffco i.e. Snow plowing. 2. Social services for seniors & families in need.
- Adequate & future water planning & consumption. An attempt to keep taxes the same for its citizens. Not increasing taxes.
- Availability of water vs development; education costs vs school districts.
- Building & maintaining roads.
- Improving & maintaining the infrastructure.
- Infrastructure maintenance & replacement. Public education.
- Keeping our roads in good shape. Avoiding budget cuts to social services.
- Maintaining or fixing our current road ways. 10th Ave & Ulysses to Golden Rd. Has been patched & repatched. This Road in 10 yrs. Has never been resurfaced. Westbound 10th Ave in front of the school either?
- Replacement of road & bridge management. Maintaining same quality without raising taxes.
- Road & bridge management needs vast improvement. Raising prop. Taxes for county improvement not the answer.
- Road & bridge repair.
- Road maintenance keeping local businesses open
- Road maintenance population growth impacts
- Roads
- Roads
- Roads & bridges air quality
- Roads/highways (Toll road). Commercial development.
- Sewer service - City of Littleton increases jobs
- Water - availability, portability, use & waste. Schools - are a marker of a communities commitment to quality of life.
- Water (lack of) overpopulation.
- Water availability and distribution traffic congestion.
- Water problems. Extension of C-470 loop.
- Water quality & quantity. Growth especially in unincorporated areas with wells & septic.
- Water supply and budget shortfalls.
- Water traffic congestion
- Water. Energy.

Governance

- #1 leadership - We need elected officials who will lead not spend money foolishly. #2 overwhelming number of people living on free services and fewer hard working tax payers.
- (1) Arvada's aggressive government: annexing & NW Pkwy extension. (2) Overall growth mgmt.
- (1) Getting new judges. We need strict terms limits for them. (2) Better access to public land, like the National Forest. Many citizens block areas, like they own the forest.
- (1) Local and federal government becoming too large. (2) Commercial property tax increases.
- (1) Trimming budget expenses. (2) Stop increasing my taxes.
- 1) County officials not caring about citizen input-for example ignoring plans to preserve mountain backdrop. 2) Giving land to benefit a few; Arvada City officials and developers. This does harm to many for the financial gain to a small group.
- 1. Jefferson County thinking it is the solution to our problems. 2. Jefferson County putting more regulations and barriers to small business.

- 1. Regaining credibility with county citizens in light of numerous scandals, Sheehan, Congrove, McCaskey etc. There are apparently no ethics practiced in Jeff Co government. 2) Lack of job growth and associated tax revenue will force residents property taxes to increase ever higher, making Jeff Co more unaffordable and less desirable
- Bureaucracy. Taxes too high.
- Commissioners are not listening to citizens no to NW Parkway proposal I have attended various planning meetings over the years and it seems that citizens voices are not heard, zoning needs to preserve open space & views so that Jeffco remains a desirable place to live.
- Corruption in planning & zoning with developers, water quality & quantity, dealing with too many sheriff deputies on payroll & spending too much on the sheriff's office as a whole - like all of those sport utility vehicles parked at the evergreen public library.
- County leadership job creation.
- Elected or appointed office holders who lack personal integrity, personal ability, personal honesty and/or efficiency in use of tax-engendered money. As for this 5-page survey, if I weren't about 100 years old, I would have exercised greater responsibility in responding!
- Electing competent people to co-government managing the budget-balancing needs & dollars.
- Financial constraints caused by poor decisions by elected officials. Deteriorating infrastructure, particularly roads and bridges.
- Getting out of the hole the republicans dug for us. Coming up with money to fund the services we already have.
- Getting rid of inside corruption with developers and big law enforcement budgets that feed off the citizens.
- Government is to big!!
- Growth of government and increased taxes
- Having all the Jefferson County officials/ employees stop fighting/ opposing each other and wasting money on stupid lawsuits!!!
- Jeffco government has serious integrity issues. I believe corruption and incompetence need to be addressed in several areas including (but not limited to): (1) School district; (2) Sheriff's department; and (3) County administration.
- Keeping government small - reducing services which can no longer be paid for by tax payer.
- Political corruption. Beltway.
- Poor county commissioners economy.
- Reducing a bloated government at all levels (local - county - state national).
- Relationship between developers and commissioners (not good). Light rail
- Sleggy reputation of Government officials on this county. Government should not grow and not increase taxes.
- Stop government growth Public schools.
- The liberals, the government.
- Would like to see 5 commissioners. Possibility of toll road in NW Jeff Co (strongly oppose NW!!)
- You have mismanaged for years, now you want to tax seniors out of their homes to respond. The tax payers are also aware of how you are using loopholes in the laws to waste money and raise taxes. Keep your job could and should be an issue.

Environment- preserving open space, pine-beetle blight, pollution

- (1) The proposed beltway is a huge issue. The damage that will be done by building it will never be undone. Jeffco has some beautiful foothills scenery a great deal of which will be lost to this very unnecessary development. Keep the beauty say no to developers. Improve Hwy-93

voters have repeatedly voted against such a beltway - listen to the voters. (2) Lack of trust of the county government & commissioners. A good deal of money has been spent to pursue idea. The taxpayers don't want (beltway for one). Too much wasted money - no trust. Snow plowing - in foothills county crews are out plowing when only 1" - 2" of snow on ground. Waste of money!

- 1) Balancing the amount of ground water in the mountains and additional growth in the mountains. 2) Development a plan to accommodate and adequately serve the growing senior population. Need to prepare for the baby boomers growing old.
- 1) Loss of open space/agricultural lands - We need to stop scraping off the next open meadow, for a new retail or housing development. We have plenty of vacant buildings and lots that could be redeveloped/redesigned. 2) Reputation - Jefferson County officials, both elected and otherwise, need to clean up the bad reputation. Some recent decisions and actions have left doubt in the mind of citizens, with regard to trusting Jefferson County government.
- 1) Natural disaster due to drought, Pike Beetle, wildfire. 2) Population growth, particularly as related to traffic/air pollution.
- 1) Paying for open space maintenance. 2) Decreased operating revenues.
- 1) The crash between the Pine Beetles and the fire mitigation plan for mountain properties (including slope stabilization) 2) Pressure for more growth from surrounding communities (cap on building permits per use)
- 1) Managing the environmental impact (i.e. Water) of residential & commercial growth as the economy rebounds. 1A) maintaining & growing open space. 2) Planning ahead for safe & reliable transport through & around the county (esp. I-70 corridor).
- 1. Stop building more houses, malls, roads and save the land for "Open space". 2. The public school system (first to 12 grade) needs to have a major change. Not longer a days! Not more days! Rather better quality! Less social and more academic! The entire public education system is obsolete!
- Beetle infestation.
- Clean air. Wasting money on green landscaping when it is not needed Ken Carly, Chatifull etc
- Environmental & growth.
- Growth & road work
- Mountain pine beetle epidemic. Growth/population increase.
- Pine beetle in mountain areas.
- Pollution, particularly of the air over building - we've been given a breather because of the poor economy, but when we start growing again there need to be better controls
- Preservation of open space, Growth control
- Preserving open space versus development. Maintaining public education quality.
- Water & air quality issues
- Water. Not enough taxes to keep up with things

Public Safety- emergency services (police, fire, EMS), crime

- 1) In relation to 18 B & C law enforcement must be maintained, but if more funds are needed, no new taxes, find the money in an already inflated budget. 2) School system must get fiscal operations in order without constantly going back to the citizens for more money, the school system is the most inefficient entity in this County. We do not need at all road-improve Hwy 93.
- 1) Providing financial support for equipment to five districts that serve remote open spaces. E.g. Golden gate fire protection district.

- Crime - theft etc. Children not receiving needed educational testing to right for learning difference this leads to crimes & in drug use - We need to wake up & fix these problems. DUI'S - why are people repeat offenders many times over-
- Crime & road maintenance.
- Crime. Revenue losses.
- Drug trafficking. Rural schools.
- Drugs. Unemployment
- Enforce present laws, snow removal on streets.
- Fire mitigation/fighting in midst of budget cuts. Lower budget for social services with increased need/demand.
- Increase in crime if economy doesn't get better For all. hardworker are not [illegible] lazy indiv.
- Increase in crime. Maintaining good environment to raise families.
- Keeping us safe (from terrorism, disease, not, disaster) illegal aliens draining our tax coffers
- Law enforcement service and Library services. Hate to all Library services reduced-a place of safe and a lot of education by reading-most important for our children to be able to read and understand what our government can do or not.
- Law enforcement services ability to stay ahead of crime. Jobs within the county that are "well paying"
- Law enforcement.
- Law enforcement. Road repair.
- Law enforcement. Social services.
- Law enforcement/crime/delinquency unemployment public education cost containment & quality
- Law enforcement/Fire protection
- Lousy law enforcement. Schools need money.
- Low enforcement services.

Housing issues- foreclosure, availability of housing, aging housing

- (1) Aging of youth-few new developments w/ entry level housing - (not apartments). (2) Attracting new businesses. P.S. We still have 6" deep ice on our street where it connects to the cross street - only room for 1 car to pass - We used to have good services - now they stick Florida place & Robb ct.
- (1) Too much housing-not sold, foreclosed, making hard to sell existing homes. (2) Population too large to keep up excellent services
- Abandoned homes traffic congestion
- Decreased housing prices-decreased taxes budget shortfalls.
- Home values? going higher very fast or too fast. Tax hike going up to fast for home owners.
- Maintaining property values (Keep residents from moving) Attracting new business (Jobs)
- Property values declining, i.e. Less tax revenue closing schools or larger classrooms.
- Property values not being stable. Conservation use of school funding.
- Property values, schools
- Property values. Light rail
- Reallocating budget towards more essential services. Reducing expense in the budget to compensate for receding commercial tax revenue.

Affordability- cost of living, affordable housing

- 1) Affordable housing. Most if all new home builders in Jeffco do not build new single family homes that middle income families can afford. 2) Keeping our well trained Jeffco deputies when salaries fail to be competitive.
- 1. Gentrification of neighborhoods 2. Growth
- 1. People falling into poverty and losing their homes 2. School funding desperately needs to be reworked, made more efficient and properly funded.
- Affordable housing jobs
- Affordable housing. School enrollment/ budget.
- Affordable housing. Water usage.
- Nice/affordable housing for our children to live in Jefferson County.
- Surplus of non-affordable housing. Through going traffic congestion.
- The rich get richer and the poor get poorer. More people will lose their homes is a concern and there are not enough jobs.
- Two expense to live here, especially close to or in cities.

Quality of Life

- (1) Quality of life > the rush to development is eroding what is one at Jeffco's biggest assets. A big mistake. Poor growth planning. (2) Pop growth, crowding, traffic congestion, - and the crime that goes w/it.
- 1)Maintaining continuing the quality of life that exists today both safety for residents & protecting the open spaces recreation spaces-not over building etc. That exist turning. 2)Finding warp to decrease spending or stay station gas. Through more efficient use of personnel-technology-process improvement for administrative areas-and not continuing to pass on tax increases for residents for such.

Don't know/No Comment

- ?
- Do not know.
- Don't know
- Don't know.
- Have no opinion!
- Just moves to co 3 mo 90 degree, don't know
- N/A
- N/a
- No comment

- No comment
- No comment.
- Not sure
- Not sure, I've only lived in Colorado & Jeffco for 8 months so far.
- Too new to know.
- We live in Jeff Co, but do not get County maintenance (snow plows, road maintenance)

Other

- (1) Backlash from corrupt politics in Washington D.C. (2) Difficulty in obtaining financing due to the corrupt politics in Washington D.C.
- (1) Don't use traff. tickets to finance your budget. (2) Stop growth. Enough people is here.
- (1) Obama and democratic policies
- (1) Stop teachers who show videos = commercial movies in school. Teachers should teach. Kids can see TV and movies at home. Teachers need to help children learn more to be competition in their own future. They need to learn to spell and write complete sentences to apply for jobs.
- (1) The deterioration of morals, which compounds the overall society; increasing crime, poor maintenance of residences. (2) Maintaining a balanced budget; keeping taxes from escalating. Gov tax Ritter's freezing of property taxes and increasing license fees has made life more difficult for all senior citizens.
- (1) There isn't a cohesive vision for this survey - so issues with "direction". (2) Schools.
- (2) Public school funding & accountability. (3) Aging population. (1) Illegal immigration.
- 1 - Illegal immigration causing job loss and over crowding, & encouraging lawlessness & injustice if laws aren't enforced. 2 - Loss of free speech through govt. Sponsored political correctness.
- 1- Damage and impact to residents affected by the proposed gross reservoir expansion. 2- Commercial and residential development along the front range
- 1 Lack of code enforcement esp fire safety. 2. Raising the quality of education
- 1) I want see more stop lights blinking yellow or red during low travel hours a lot of gasoline & time is wanted waiting in a light to change with no other can is right. 2) Big nice medical Marijuana leniency. 3) Socialism taught in our schools.
- 1) Personal bankruptcy. (2) Loss of government services.
- 1)Restriction of road racer for cyclists, lack of new cycling opportunities. 2)Increasing assessments on properties not consistent with property values.
- 1, Obama 2. Obama.
- 1. Bikes ruining Jeffco open space trails. 2. Jeffco budget short falls
- 1. Schools should not be promoting promiscuity or providing contraception, or teaching alternative lifestyles. These things are not moral. Morality is black & white it is right or wrong. There are no variations in between chastity is the only safe sex. Sex belongs only in marriage. Schools encourage parents to be every involved know what their kids are being taught. 2. Removing God from schools has damaged schools heavily.
- 1. Unyielding unions in negotiations for salaries & benefits. 2. Colorado education association blocking needed education reform.
- Accommodating Californians - housing, road congestion, jobs etc. Funding services for illegal Aliens.
- Better planning. Reduce taxes.
- Bikers they need to be taxed and use the monies to put in trail or paths! They should get to choose where these pains are get them off the streets!

- Community recycle facilities need improvement. The library system really needs to be expanded. Rural areas of the county will need improvements.
- Decay in inner cities (areas closer to Denver). Difficulty in managing such a large diverse County.
- Getting bicyclists off the foothill roads. This is a major safety hazard for those of us who depend on these roads.
- Good
- How to kick out illegal aliens that don't pay taxes & trash out our neighborhoods. Stop building so many bike paths. They don't use them anyway; they just ride in the road.
- I have had great results with services from DMV, re: registrations. I have had very poor results w/ Jeff Co admin services, re; permits & questions etc. Please have customer service return calls.
- Illegal immigrants, unemployment
- Keeping America. America planning before development.
- Keeping Denver's problems in Denver (i.e. Gangs, illegal aliens, Hickenlooper).
- Keeping employees with pitiful benefits crime.
- Lack of walking and biking trail adjacent to existing roadways.
- Let me attempt to put this in terms so simple that even a politician would be able to understand. I and many other Jeff Co citizens are sick to death of the ridiculously strict speed limit enforcement that has been taking place in Jeff Co ever since the recession started. It's obvious the only reason you are doing this is to make up for reduced revenue from other sources. If this strict enforcement doesn't cease immediately. I will be certain to vote against every single incumbent Jeff Co office holder in the next election!!! There, is that simple enough that even you pin headed politicians can understand?
- Local sheriff office does not follow up on crimes or work with the victims. Judges are way to easy on criminals. Easy to sit at the bottom of a hill and take radar. Spend too much time on petty crimes and not enough on burglaries and drugs. Sheriff employees not trained to do anything but take radar.
- Medical Marijuana and legalization.
- More people needing social services for people who purposely stay in between the approval income to still have tax payers benefits & live off the system. This is a huge issue that makes me so angry. Yes, help people who really need it but not those who live on it for over 3 years. Needs a home!
- People who are living beyond their means & expecting City/State/Federal gouts to help.
- Quality of well water. Pine Beetle prevention. Why is a Jeffco survey being mailed to New Jersey.
- Recreation facilities (soccer fields, etc). Growth management.
- Recycling - need increased effort & availability to recycle maintaining parks & open space due to the economy.
- Regulating bicyclist who violate road laws & do not pay to support them. Road & bridge repair.
- Same as past & present - - - That is, we are excessively tolerant of repeated law offenses in the category of driver (auto) irresponsibility - by far, a very bleak future will be the case unless we enforce existing traffic / driver qualification laws and punish those that are somehow unable or unwilling to respect & obey these laws. "A law without teeth is no law at all"!!
- 'Shady' law enforcement! Property values.
- The continuing growth of illegal immigrants putting a drawn on our resources (i.e. Sending out the rectification of this survey in talk English & Spanish, English is the official language of Colorado and the U.S.). The over crowding of our roads and the continued road rage. We need

more law enforcement on our roads. I drive 35,000 miles a year in our service company in the foothills and I see many drivers who are not obeying traffic laws.

- The increase of undesirable types due to excessive bus routes through Golden. The climbing down of the local population due to liberal propaganda and indoctrinated school teachers.
- The influence of Non-English speaking children into the school system. More efficient traffic flow.
- The unnecessarily street enforcement of the speed limit in Jeff Co which started about the same time on the recession is the biggest issue facing Jeffco!. If this street enforcement does not cause immediately, I will vote against every single Jeff Co office holder incumbent in the next election, and every succeeding election! I doubt I am the only note who feel this way. Take note County commissioners, you can balance the budget on the lacks of motorists, or you can keep your elected office, but you can't do both. Take you pick, which do you prefer? If you want to balance the budget I'd suggest each commissioner start by taking are immediate 50% pay cut!!!
- Time & expense wasted on Spanish language flyers like the one you enclosed. Losing land to development on Mc Mansions
- Too many law enforcement employees w/ nothing to do
- Too much money being on bike parts for cyclist on Mountain roads. There should be a tax on them. They come from all over the country to use, freely, our Mountain roads and do not give any thing back to Mountain communities.
- Wild life. Some what road repair.
- Wildfire investigation. NW pkwy issue - a true need or commercial driven. Jeffco schools - held to from the top down. Process improvement revamp whole system.