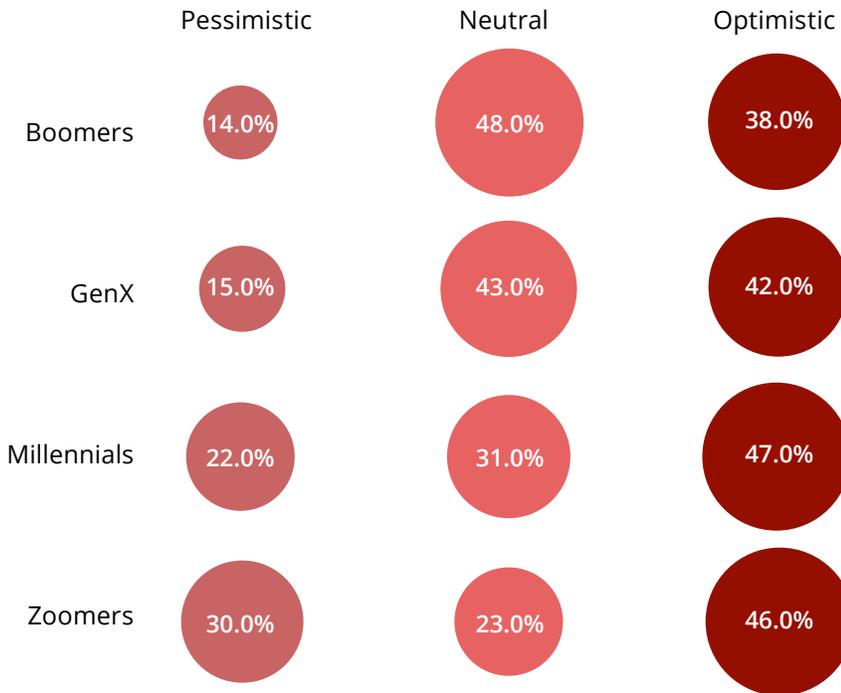


# COVID-19: Looking Beyond the Peak

Beyond its direct impacts on health, the COVID-19 outbreak is also transforming life in domains ranging from social interactions to education to the economy. In March 2020, the MIT AgeLab asked ~1,200 survey participants across different generations about these downstream effects in the present, and their implications for the future.

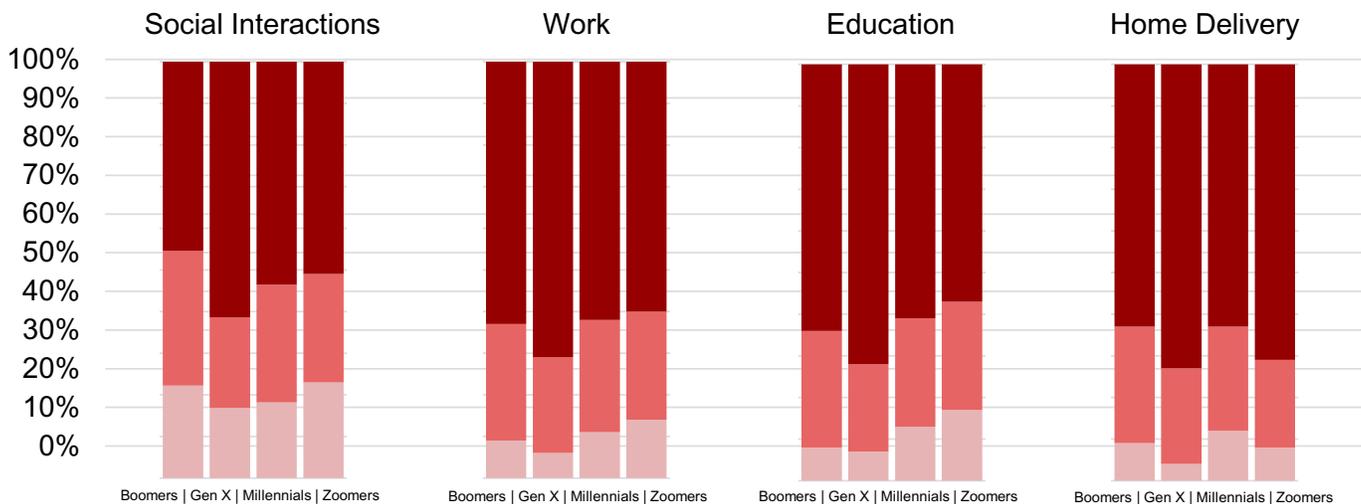
## Well-Being: Present and Future



Survey participants reported their well-being in the present and their expected level of well-being one year from now. **Across generations, participants exhibited more optimism for the future than pessimism**, as determined by comparing present and anticipated well-being. Older generations were more likely to report a neutral outlook, however.

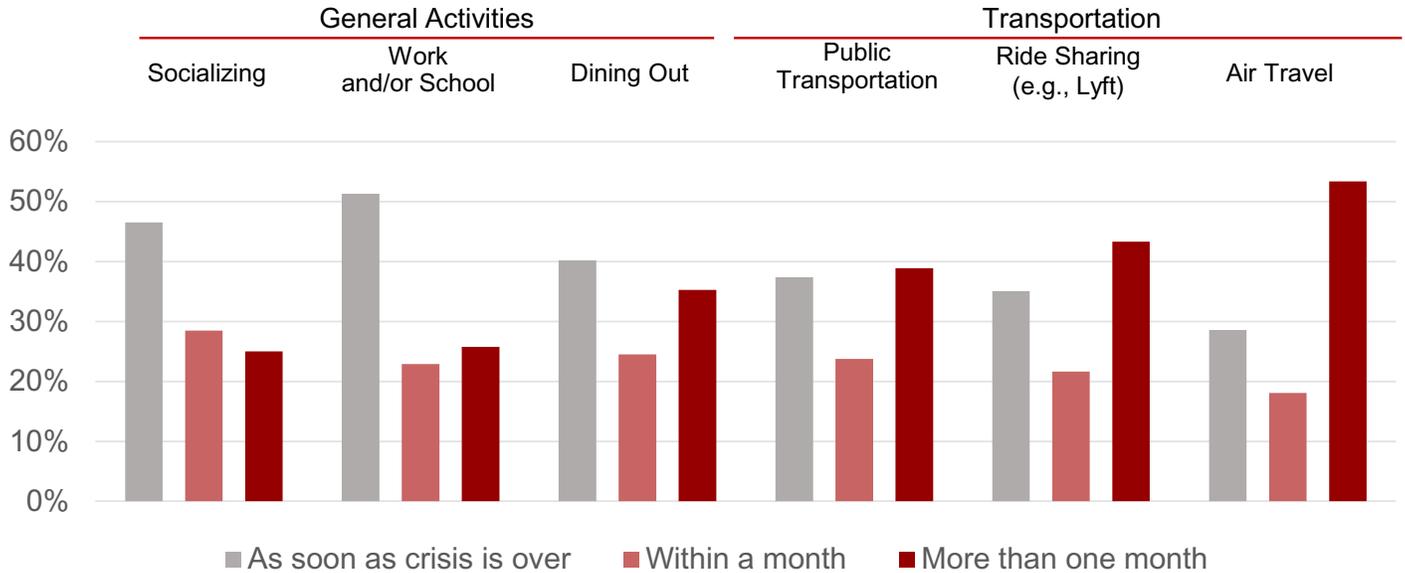
## COVID-19 Will Have a Lasting Impact

■ Agree ■ Neutral ■ Disagree



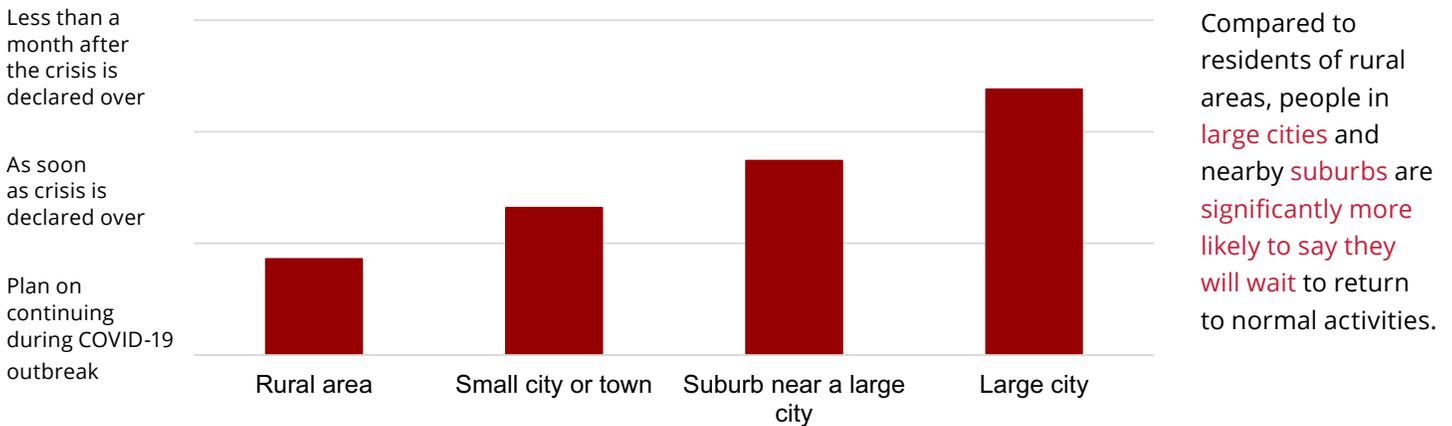
In general, most people expected COVID-19 to have lasting effects on social interaction, remote work, education, and home delivery services. Generation X expressed the strongest belief in COVID-19's lasting impact, while Baby Boomers were the least convinced of lasting consequences.

## How long will you wait?



Post-crisis, respondents said they would **wait longer to resume riding shared transportation** than other types of activities. **Baby Boomers** were the generation most reticent to recommence using shared transportation. Across all of the above activities, men were more likely than women to say they would resume participation sooner.

## How long will you wait?



These results represent a snapshot of perceptions in the time window in which data were collected: March 17-19, 2020. Sample collected from Qualtrics Panels. Number of cases for analysis: 1202. Ages in 2020: Baby Boomers, 56-74; Gen X, 40-55; Millennials, 24-39; and Zoomers, 18-23. The MIT AgeLab continues to monitor how different generations' attitudes and perceptions shift over time.

What is known about COVID-19 changes daily. For more information about preventing the spread of COVID-19 and keeping yourself and your family safe, visit the Centers for Disease Control website.