

Fox Valley Newcomer Project: Newcomer Survey 2026 - Legal Supports

Newcomer respondent summary perspective of healthcare around the Fox Valley:

"We need more access to legal education, affordable or and free support to help us understand and manage our immigration status."

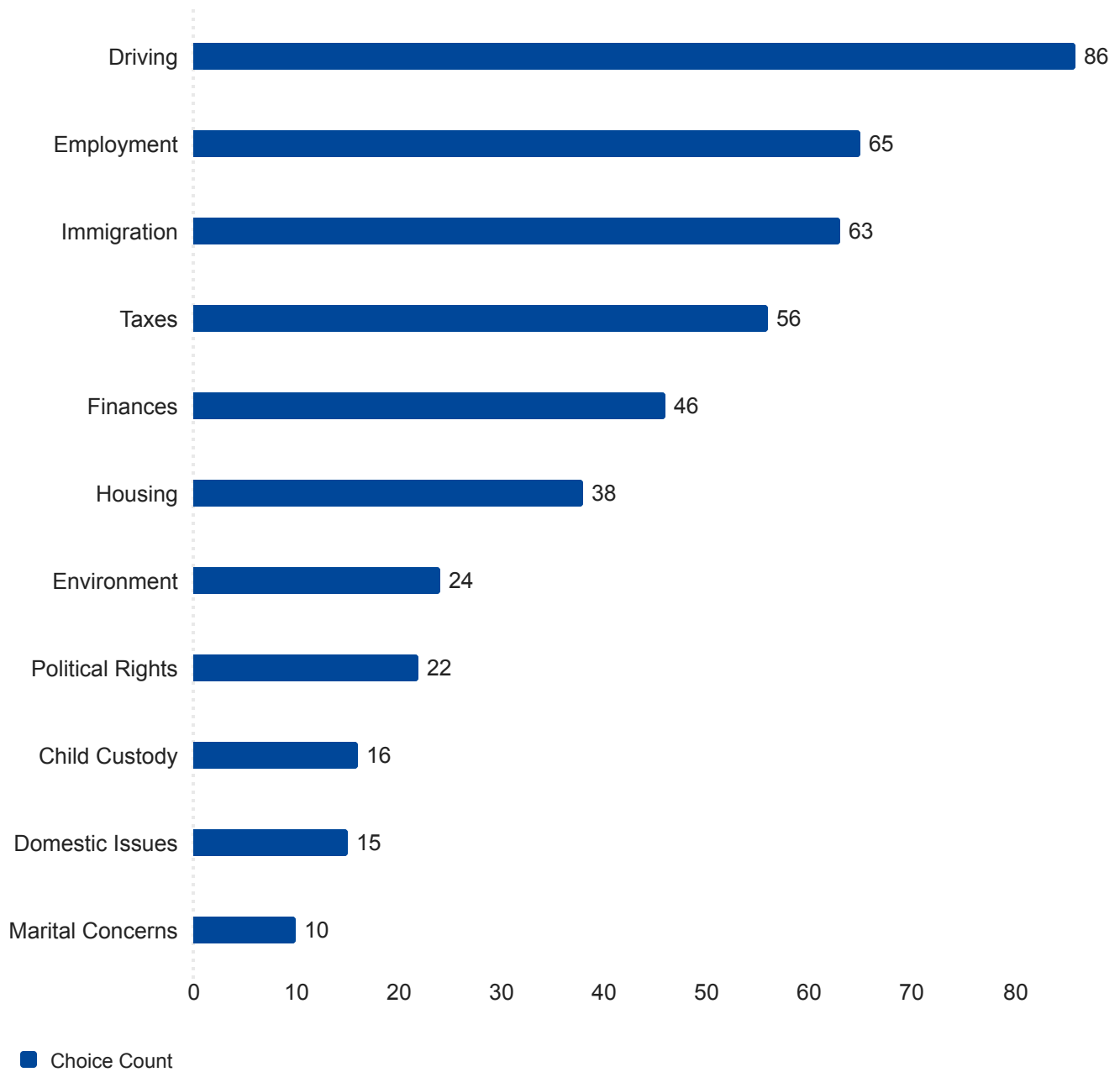
In regards to the legal sector, we asked Newcomers about the areas of law and legal support they would like to learn more about, and if they are seeking legal support if they are already connected to a lawyer or firm. of services they access on a regular basis, the type of health insurance they use, and what, if anything could be changed about the way they interact with healthcare in the valley. We asked organizations that provide legal services about the programs and services they offer that support newcomers.

In 2026, a total of 161 Newcomers and 51 organizations across the Fox Valley of Wisconsin responded to the survey.

Organizations with legal services who participated in the survey and their reported programs

Harbor House Domestic & Sexual Violence Programs	Immigration/Green Card Navigation
Hope & Help Together	Immigration/Green Card Navigation
Multicultural Coalition, Inc.	Immigration/Green Card Navigation

Areas of law Newcomer respondents are interested in learning more about:



Requests for legal support by Length of Time in the Fox Valley and the U.S.

Newcomers who responded were asked if they were seeking legal support for family reunification and whether or not they were connected with a lawyer or advocate to help them in that process. The connection question was only asked to those who said "yes" to sponsorship. This data is not able to be split into the other demographic categories of length of time since arrival, language, or comfort with English.

Are you or members of your family working to sponsor or support family members from home to move here?

Yes

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No

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Are you connected with a legal advocate or lawyer who is supporting you with this process?

Yes

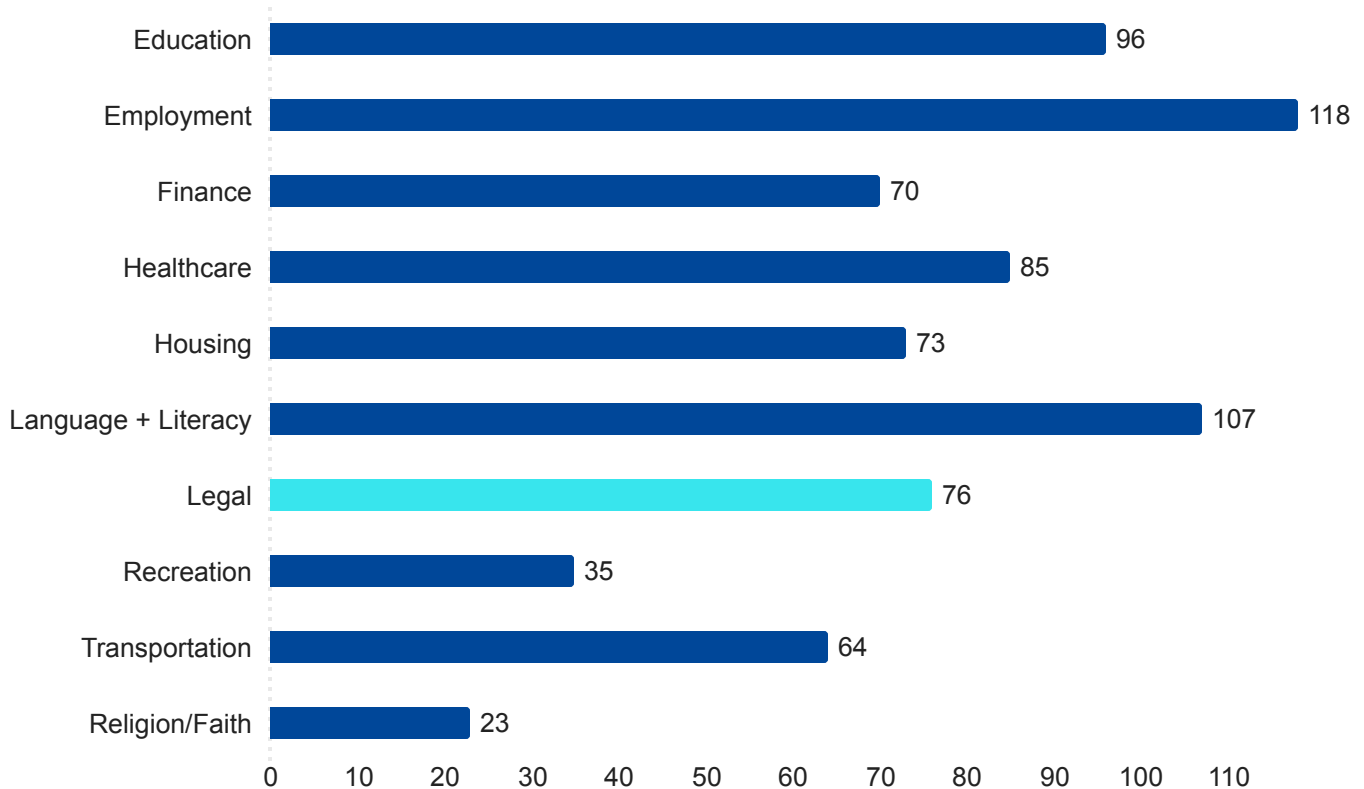
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No

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Legal support as an indicator of a thriving life:

In the Fox Cities, we want all families to have good lives. Which of these areas of life have been challenging for you or your family to support you in living well?



Supports Request - Legal Status

Newcomers selected a variety of supports they would like easier access to across all sectors. Citizenship Classes and Immigration/Green Card Navigation are frequently at the top of the request list.



■ Choice Count