



**THE NATIONAL COMMODORE  
OF THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY**

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Fellow Auxiliarists,

It gives me great pleasure to present results of the recently conducted Member Survey. Dante Laurino and Gail Venezia asked, and you answered, a series of questions relating to our missions, programs, and you, our members.

Here in the *Navigator* you will find the questions and how the membership responded indicating their levels. This data will also be posted on the National Personnel Department website for your perusal.

I have asked the National Executive Committee to determine how we can improve in the areas in which we are weak and get back to me with changes for improvement. We will continue to share member surveys with you and will listen and adjust to grow and remain the premier volunteer organization in the world.

I thank you again for your willingness to serve.

Semper Paratus

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*Leadership*



*Performance*



*Readiness*



# Member Survey 2009

This 2009 Member Survey is presented by the respective Chiefs of the Auxiliary Departments of Personnel and Training at the time: COMO Dante Laurino and Gail Venezia. A total of 5,774 members responded to the 2009 Member Survey.

Actual member comments include:  
"I really appreciate what you have done for me. I have been an active Auxiliarist for more than 10 years, and this is the first time anyone has asked my opinion."

"When will we see the results? Whenever we do surveys, we never see the results!"

*Special Note: there are five questions where the total response is more than 100%. This is because on those questions, the member was able to select more than one response to a question.*

## Number of Responses By District:

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| 1st Northern       | 570 |
| 1st Southern       | 733 |
| 5th Northern       | 391 |
| 5th Southern       | 665 |
| 7th                | 881 |
| 8th Coastal        | 378 |
| 8th Eastern        | 248 |
| 8th Western Rivers | 243 |
| 9th Central        | 217 |
| 9th Eastern        | 153 |
| 9th Western        | 261 |
| 11th Northern      | 380 |
| 11th Southern      | 365 |
| 13th               | 182 |
| 14th               | 26  |
| 17th               | 78  |

## What is your gender?

|         |       |
|---------|-------|
| Male:   | 4,894 |
| Female: | 877   |

## What is your age?

|              |       |
|--------------|-------|
| 17-25 Years: | 77    |
| 26-35 Years: | 164   |
| 36-45 Years: | 402   |
| 46-55 Years: | 1,055 |
| 56-65 Years: | 1,905 |
| 66-80 Years: | 1,984 |
| >80 Years:   | 184   |

## What is your ethnicity?

|                  |       |
|------------------|-------|
| Black:           | 52    |
| Hispanic:        | 107   |
| American Indian: | 56    |
| Caucasian:       | 5,361 |
| Other:           | 187   |

## What is your education level?

|               |       |
|---------------|-------|
| <High School: | 24    |
| HS or GED:    | 461   |
| Some College: | 1,407 |
| AA/AS:        | 612   |
| BA/BS:        | 1,760 |
| Masters:      | 1,272 |
| Ph.D.:        | 448   |

## What is your annual income?

|                     |       |
|---------------------|-------|
| <\$25,000:          | 350   |
| \$25,000-\$49,999:  | 1,010 |
| \$60,000-\$100,000: | 1,827 |
| >\$100,000:         | 1,010 |

## What is your employment status?

|                |       |
|----------------|-------|
| Self-Employed: | 966   |
| Employed:      | 1,997 |
| Retired:       | 2,835 |
| Unemployed:    | 215   |

## Has the current economy impacted your resources or the time you are available to dedicate to the Auxiliary and its activities?

|         |       |
|---------|-------|
| Yes:    | 2,253 |
| No:     | 3,016 |
| Unsure: | 498   |

## What is your military experience?

|          |       |
|----------|-------|
| Regular: | 2,361 |
| Reserve: | 974   |
| None:    | 2,895 |

## How long have you been in the CG Auxiliary?

|              |       |
|--------------|-------|
| <1 Year:     | 410   |
| 1-2 Years:   | 776   |
| 3-5 Years:   | 1,284 |
| 6-8 Years:   | 1,010 |
| 9-10 Years:  | 485   |
| 11-15 Years: | 643   |
| 16-20 Years: | 448   |
| >21 Years:   | 714   |

## How much out-of-pocket money will you spend for uniforms or supplies for Auxiliary activities this year?

|              |       |
|--------------|-------|
| \$30-\$60:   | 696   |
| \$60-\$150:  | 1,521 |
| \$150-\$200: | 1,340 |
| >\$200:      | 2,210 |

## Do you have a computer and/or internet access?

|      |       |
|------|-------|
| Yes: | 5,749 |
| No:  | 22    |

## What type of aircraft do you own?

|                |       |
|----------------|-------|
| Single Engine: | 232   |
| Multi Engine:  | 54    |
| No Aircraft:   | 5,485 |

## What type of boat do you own?

|        |       |
|--------|-------|
| Power: | 2,913 |
| Sail:  | 584   |
| PWC:   | 234   |
| None:  | 2,388 |

## All members have an opportunity to be involved in our flotilla business?

|                    |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| Strongly Agree:    | 2,413 |
| Agree:             | 2,381 |
| Neutral:           | 501   |
| Disagree:          | 209   |
| Strongly Disagree: | 169   |
| Have No Knowledge: | 98    |

## I am satisfied with the missions in which I am now active

|                    |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| Strongly Agree:    | 1,478 |
| Agree:             | 2,557 |
| Neutral:           | 812   |
| Disagree:          | 476   |
| Strongly Disagree: | 285   |
| Have No Knowledge: | 163   |

## The Auxiliary provides good training for its programs.

|                    |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| Strongly Agree:    | 1,639 |
| Agree:             | 2,713 |
| Neutral:           | 743   |
| Disagree:          | 429   |
| Strongly Disagree: | 195   |
| Have No Knowledge: | 52    |

## My flotilla offers organized training programs.

|                    |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| Strongly Agree:    | 1,720 |
| Agree:             | 2,415 |
| Neutral:           | 798   |
| Disagree:          | 473   |
| Strongly Disagree: | 275   |
| Have No Knowledge: | 90    |

## My flotilla has good fellowship among its members.

|                    |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| Strongly Agree:    | 2,114 |
| Agree:             | 2,315 |
| Neutral:           | 786   |
| Disagree:          | 282   |
| Strongly Disagree: | 200   |
| Have No Knowledge: | 74    |

## My flotilla has jobs available for all its members

|                    |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| Strongly Agree:    | 2,042 |
| Agree:             | 2,332 |
| Neutral:           | 723   |
| Disagree:          | 313   |
| Strongly Disagree: | 184   |
| Have No Knowledge: | 177   |

## My flotilla actively encourages involvement of all members.

|                    |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| Strongly Agree:    | 2,425 |
| Agree:             | 2,170 |
| Neutral:           | 636   |
| Disagree:          | 268   |
| Strongly Disagree: | 195   |
| Have No Knowledge: | 77    |

## Information from my division is timely and accurate

|                    |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| Strongly Agree:    | 1,299 |
| Agree:             | 2,360 |
| Neutral:           | 1,175 |
| Disagree:          | 484   |
| Strongly Disagree: | 317   |
| Have No Knowledge: | 136   |

## Information from my district is timely and accurate?

|                    |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| Strongly Agree:    | 984   |
| Agree:             | 2,206 |
| Neutral:           | 1,411 |
| Disagree:          | 599   |
| Strongly Disagree: | 372   |
| Have No Knowledge: | 199   |

## Members in my flotilla get good information from National

|                    |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| Strongly Agree:    | 705   |
| Agree:             | 1,863 |
| Neutral:           | 1,772 |
| Disagree:          | 638   |
| Strongly Disagree: | 394   |
| Have No Knowledge: | 399   |

## What are your current qualifications?

|              |       |
|--------------|-------|
| IT           | 2,146 |
| MI           | 203   |
| VE           | 2,538 |
| PV           | 916   |
| CFVE         | 118   |
| Crew         | 2,055 |
| Coxswain     | 1,490 |
| Pilot        | 166   |
| Air Observer | 290   |
| AUXOP        | 1,033 |
| ATON         | 881   |
| Elected      | 1,592 |