Royal LePage Survey: Canadians aging in place

For those purchasing a home with the expectation to age in place, how would you rate the following features (whether the home has these features at time of purchase or the property could accommodate these renos/ improvements at a later date)?

	Essential	Desirable	Not necessary
Main floor that is or can be converted to a single-story unit (if home is not a bungalow) - bedroom, full bathroom with shower or tub, laundry and kitchen on one floor	43%	54%	3%
Entrance without steps (to front and rear of home)	42%	57%	1%
Walk in shower/tub with wide entrance/door and room for a chair	42%	51%	7%
Non-slip flooring	38%	49%	13%
Widened hallways and doorways (to accommodate walkers and wheelchairs)	30%	67%	3%
Grab bars near toilets and tubs	29%	64%	7%
Covered parking	23%	65%	12%
Pull-out shelves in kitchen and bathrooms	16%	59%	25%
Stair lift	10%	48%	42%
Outdoor wheelchair ramp	6%	46%	48%
Lowered countertops and cabinets	3%	46%	51%
Indoor whirlpool tub	0%	16%	84%

Are the following considerations often top of mind with clients who are looking to purchase with the goal of aging in place?

	Yes	No
Buying in close proximity to family	94%	6%
Buying in close proximity to hospital and community services	88%	12%
Walkability to stores and restaurants	86%	14%
Benefits of condo living	84%	16%
Buying with family (intergenerational home)	35%	65%

	Yes	No	l don't know
In your experience, are older Canadians increasingly interested in aging in place due to concerns over the safety of senior care facilities highlighted during the pandemic?	59%	17%	23%
In your experience, are older Canadians increasingly interested in aging in place due to concerns over high financial cost of living in senior care facilities?	74%	14%	12%

A national online survey of 69 brokers and sales representatives in real estate markets across Canada who are experts in senior and/or accessibility housing, including those with internationally-recognized seniors' designations, was conducted between February 14th, 2022, and February 18th, 2022. All percentages are rounded to the nearest whole number. © 2022 Bridgemarq Real Estate Services Manager Limited. All rights reserved.





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