

# HOW GOOD IS YOUR NEWS?

Rate the information you are receiving from your local news organization. The aim is to determine both the quality and quantity of the information. Over a four-day period, enter the number of stories for each day in the category that applies. The higher the total score for each category, the higher the quality of the stories in that category. Some categories may have no stories. What news are you missing?

Name of News Organization								
Categories	Emergencies and Public Safety	Health	Education	Transportation Systems	Environment and Planning	Economic Development	Civic Information	Political Life
Examples	Dangerous Weather, Accidents, Crime	Quality of local hospitals, spread of disease, availability of tests/ treatments	Quality of local schools, public funding, decision-making processes	Road conditions, mass transit, future needs	Quality of air/water, alerts to current/potential hazards	Major issues at local/state level, local employment	Social services, religious and nonprofit groups, libraries	Voting/candidates, major issues, public meetings
Day 1								
Number of Local Stories About This Topic								
Number of Stories By a Local Journalist								
Number of Stories With Useful Information								
Number of Stories with Valuable Context/ Analysis								
Total								
Day 2								
Number of Local Stories About This Topic								
Number of Stories By a Local Journalist								
Number of Stories With Useful Information								
Number of Stories with Valuable Context/ Analysis								
Total								
Day 3								
Number of Local Stories About This Topic								
Number of Stories By a Local Journalist								
Number of Stories With Useful Information								
Number of Stories with Valuable Context/ Analysis								
Total								
Day 4								
Number of Local Stories About This Topic								
Number of Stories By a Local Journalist								
Number of Stories With Useful Information								
Number of Stories with Valuable Context/ Analysis								
Total								
Grand Total								