

East Winwood-Altamonte Springs Community Report Housing and Emergency Shelter Survey



Central Florida Florida Disaster Resilience Initiative Phase 1 Stage 2 2019



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Surveying Completed

Thirty Mission Critical Function Surveys and 29 Housing and Emergency Services Surveys were collected in Altamonte Springs. They were collected in the Census Block Groups as indicated below.¹

Table 1. Number of Respondents to Surveys by Census Block Group

Census Block Group	Mission Critical Functions Survey	Housing & Emergency Services Surveys
121170219011	1	0
121170219021	17	20
121170220011	1	1
121170220012	7	9
121170216142	2	0
121170217051	1	0
TOTAL	29	29

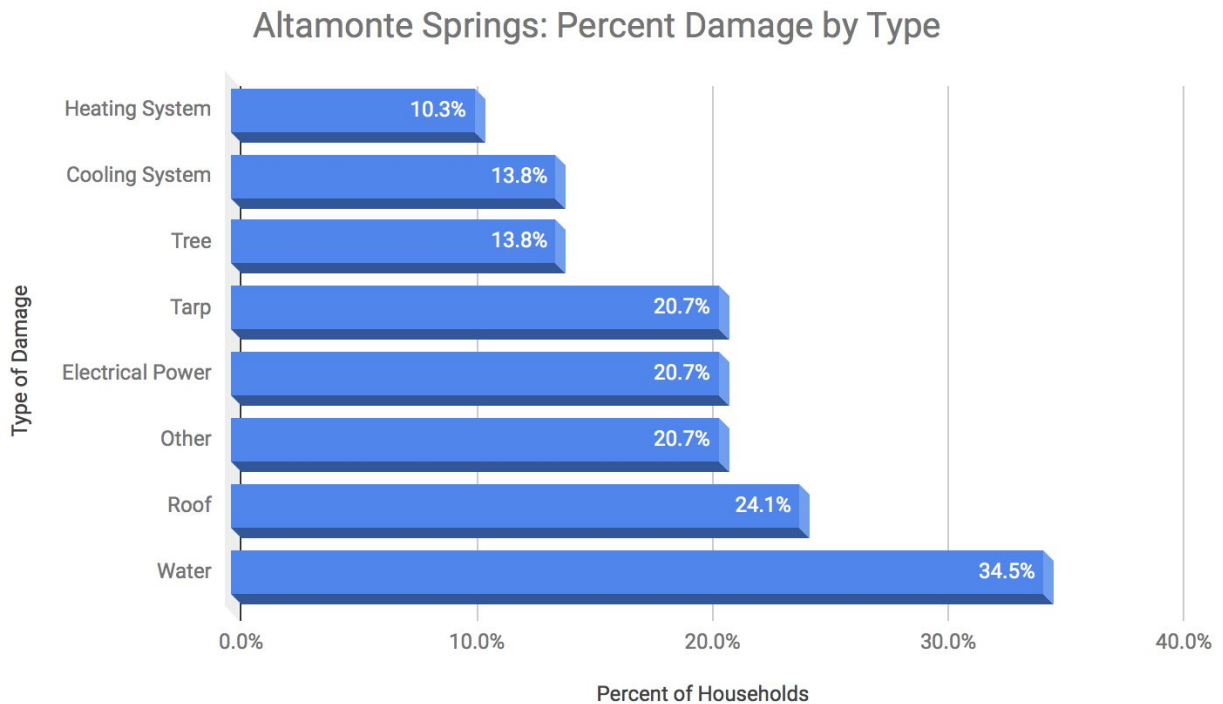
¹ US Statistical Atlas <<https://statisticalatlas.com/place/Florida/Holden-Heights/Overview>>



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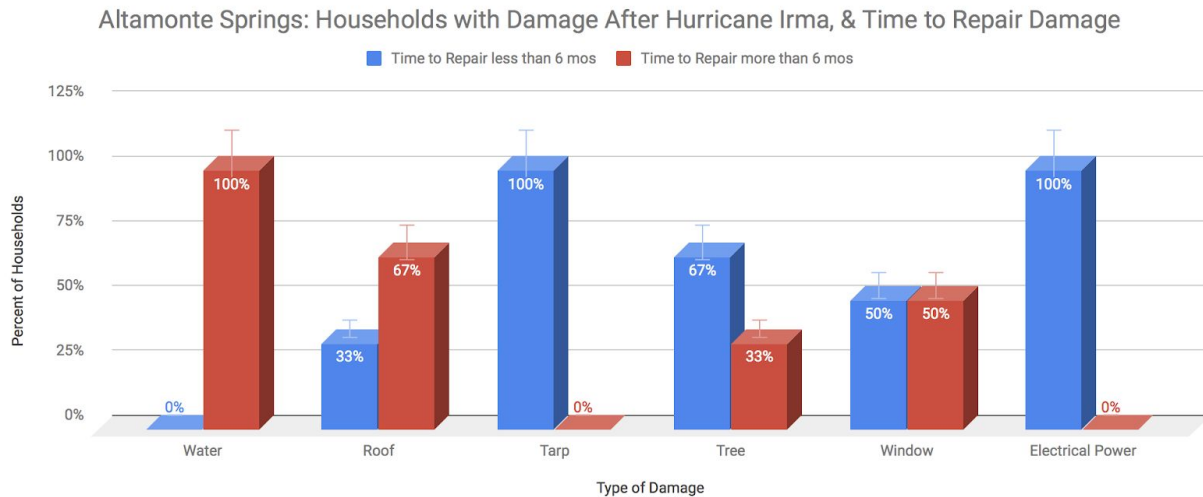
Type of damage to homes after Hurricane Irma: Fully 34.5% of respondents experienced water damage and 24.1% experienced roof damage. Reports of roofs with tarps, loss of electrical power, and other uncharacterized damage were made by 20.7% of households each (Graph 3).

Graph 1.



Time to complete repairs after Hurricane Irma: Graph 4 below shows that electrical power was restored and tarps were removed from roofs in Altamonte Springs in less than 6 months. Half of the reported window damage was repaired in less than 6 months. All those with water damage needed more than 6 months to repair the damage. Two thirds (66.7%) of households with roof damage took longer than 6 months to repair their roofs. The case was reversed for tree damage, where two thirds (66.7%) were able to take care of the damage in less than 6 months.

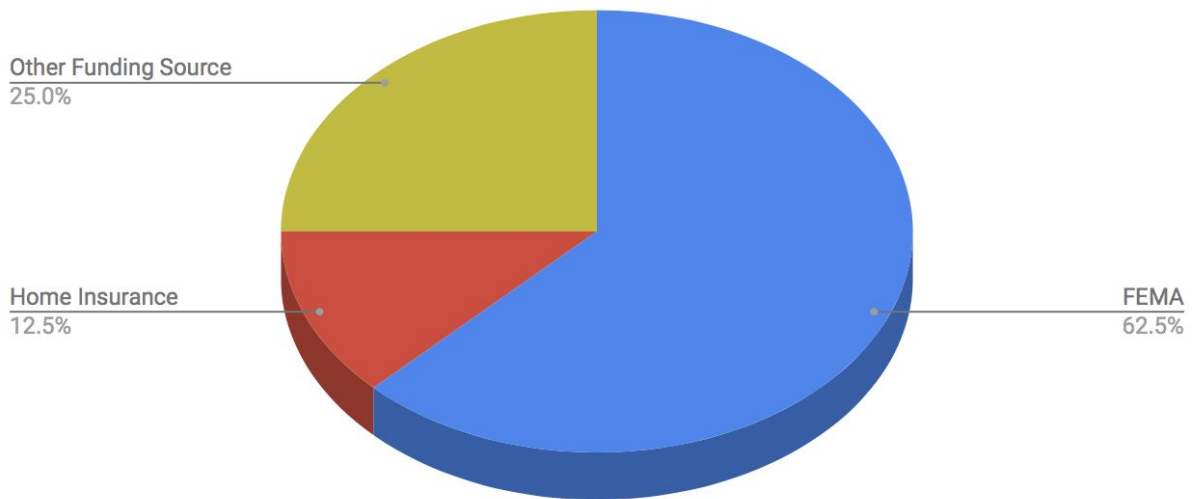
Graph 2.



Funding Repairs: Only 12.5% of respondents received Home Insurance funding. FEMA funded 62.5% of repairs. About 25.0% of respondents funded repairs through other means (Graph 3).

Graph 3.

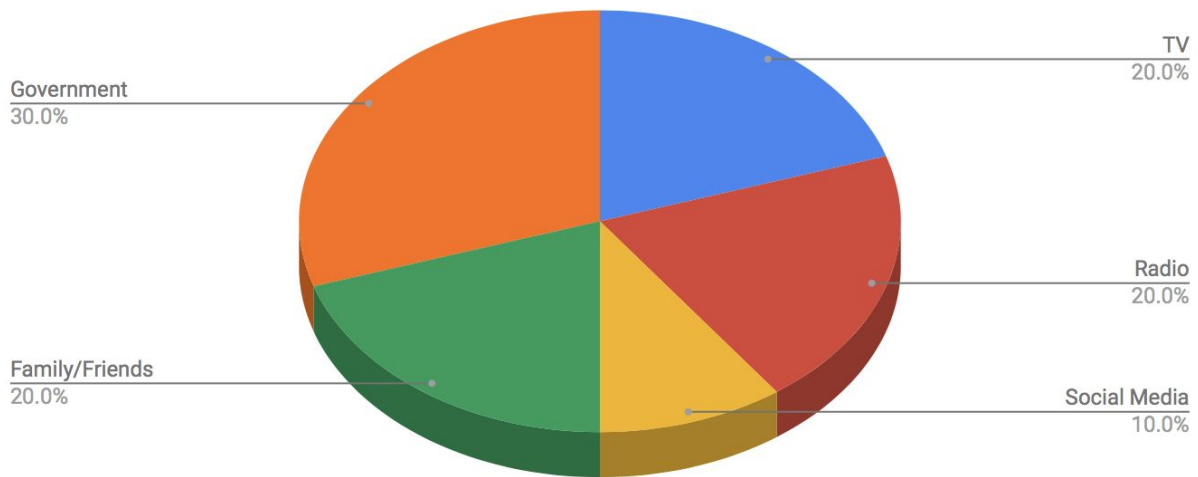
Altamonte Springs: Funding Source During Hurricane Irma Recovery



Information Sources: Most respondents (46.2%) indicated learning about funding sources from Family and Friends. Television (23.1%), radio (23.1%), and Social Services (7.7%) were other sources of information.

Graph 4.

Altamonte Springs: Source of Information During Hurricane Irma Recovery

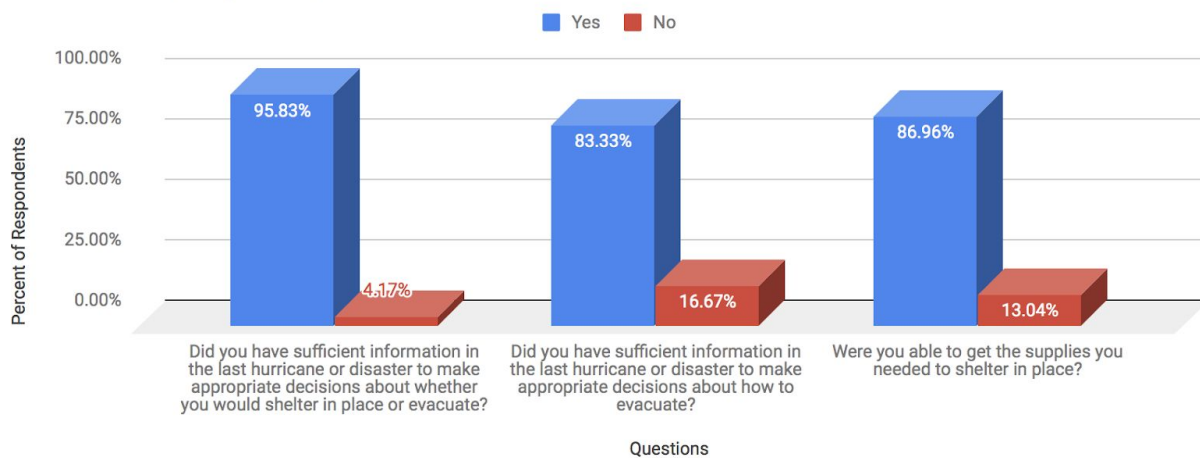


Preparedness Questions

Securing Information and Supplies: Almost all respondents (23 of 24) had sufficient information to make appropriate decisions about whether they would Shelter in Place or Evacuate, with most indicating that television news provided all the information needed. Only 4 of the 24 respondents said they did not have sufficient information to make appropriate decisions about how to evacuate, such as appropriate evacuation routes. Although most respondents mentioned that they tended to stock up prior to hurricanes, three respondents said they were not able to get the supplies they needed to shelter in place.

Graph 5. Securing Information and Supplies

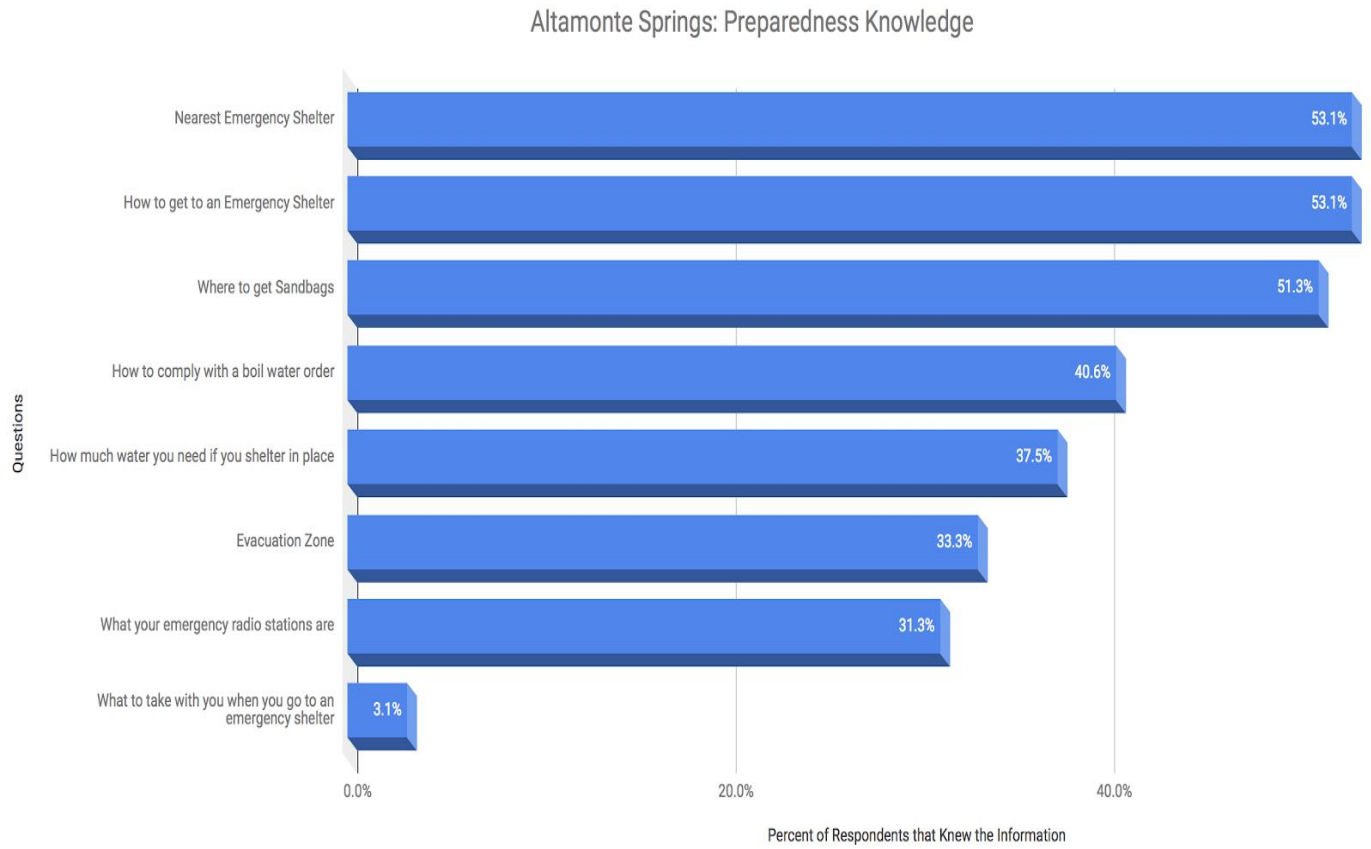
Altamonte Springs: Preparedness Resources



Preparedness Knowledge: Just over half (53.1%) of the respondents knew where their nearest approved emergency shelter was, how to get to that emergency shelter (53.1%), and where to get sandbags (51.3%). Only 3.1% of respondents knew what to take with them to an emergency shelter. Only a third of respondents knew their evacuation zone. Slightly more (37.5%) knew how much water to have on hand when sheltering in place, and only 40.6% knew how to comply with a boil water order. Less than a third (31.3%) knew their emergency radio station, although many had battery operated radios.



Graph 6. Preparedness Knowledge



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