

Driver Assessment and Training

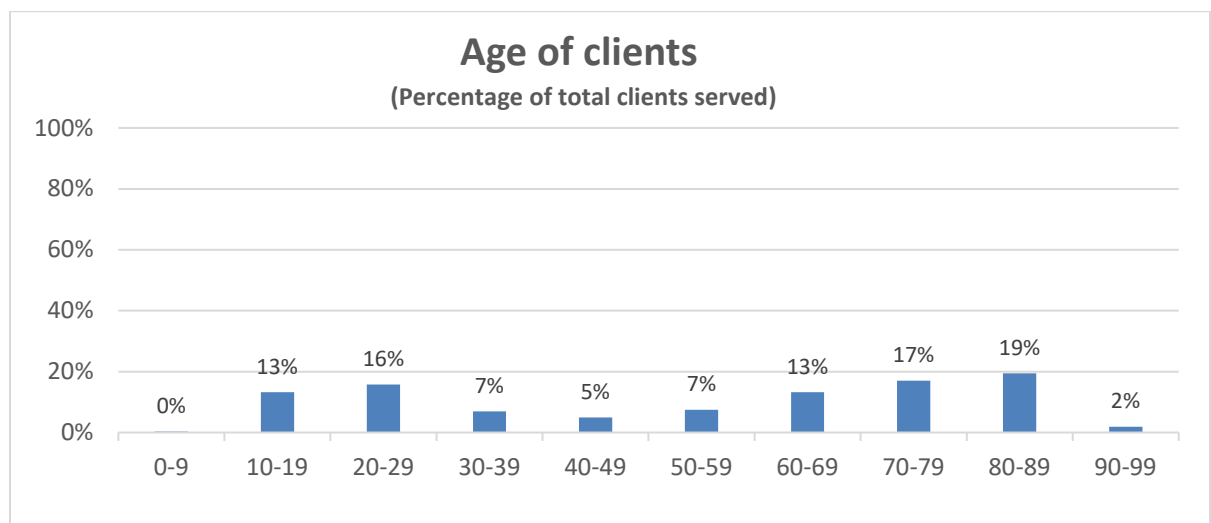
For many of us, being able to drive means independence, mobility and a sense of control in our lives. Courage Kenny Rehabilitation Institute's unique Driver Assessment and Training service consists of both assessment and training. New or experienced drivers with visual, cognitive, physical, mental health, medical challenges, or changes due to aging may benefit from our services. Since 1978, Courage Kenny Rehabilitation Institute has been a leader in driver assessment and training for seniors and people with disabilities.

Courage Kenny Driver Assessment is a Minnesota state licensed driving school. We require all people complete a driver assessment prior to beginning any training. The majority of our people participate in a Comprehensive Driver Assessment which is a three-hour appointment. During the assessment, people participate in an interview, clinical testing to evaluate the critical physical, visual and cognitive skills used while driving, and complete an on-the-road performance in one of the Courage Kenny vehicles. Outcomes from the assessment are discussed with each person at the conclusion of the assessment. Outcomes may be to continue/return to driving with or without restrictions, completing training/driving lessons, driving cessation or other recommendations.

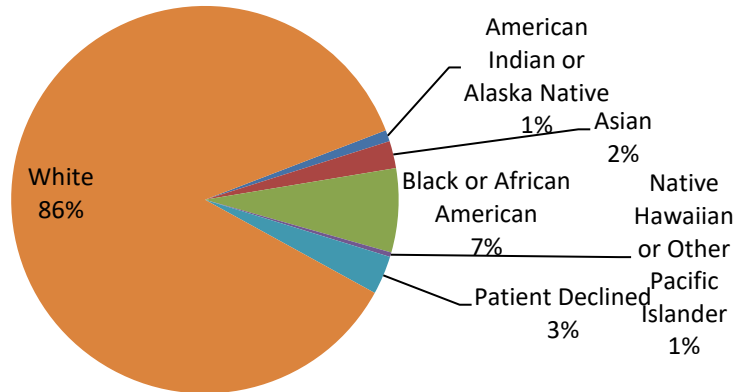
Demographics:

In 2022, there were 1119 persons seen for driving assessment, training, or both.

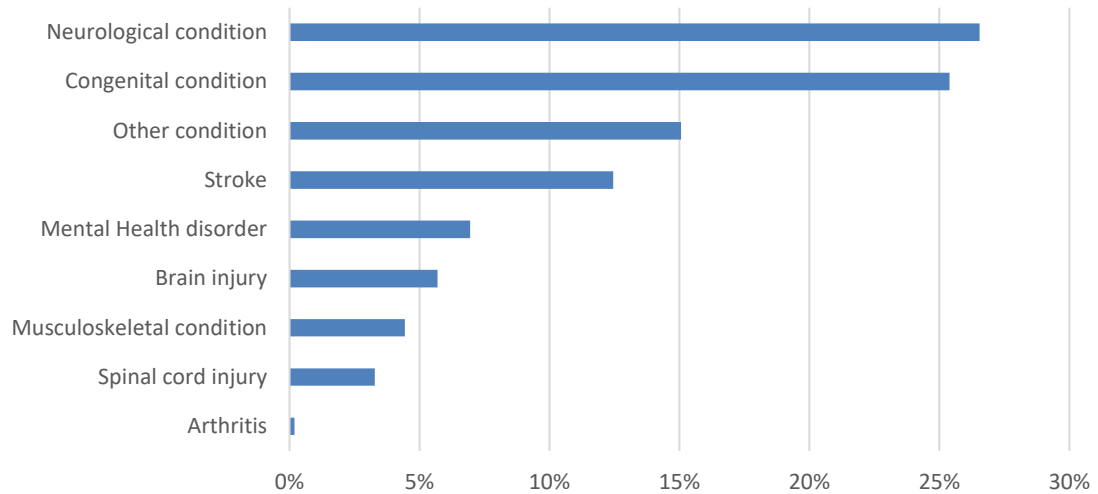
- Thirty-eight percent of people were female and 62% were male.
- Ninety-eight percent of people spoke English as their primary language, 2% spoke a language other than English



Race of clients served

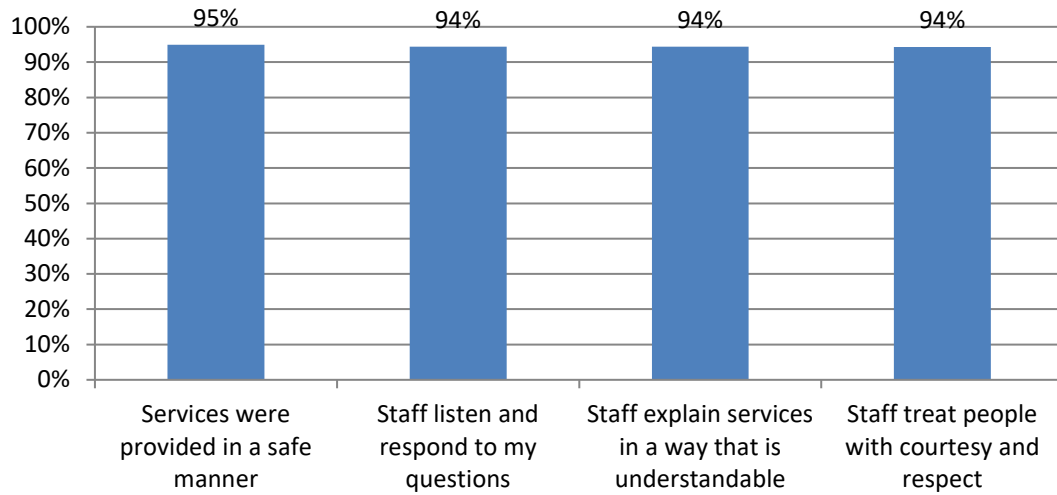


Diagnoses of persons served



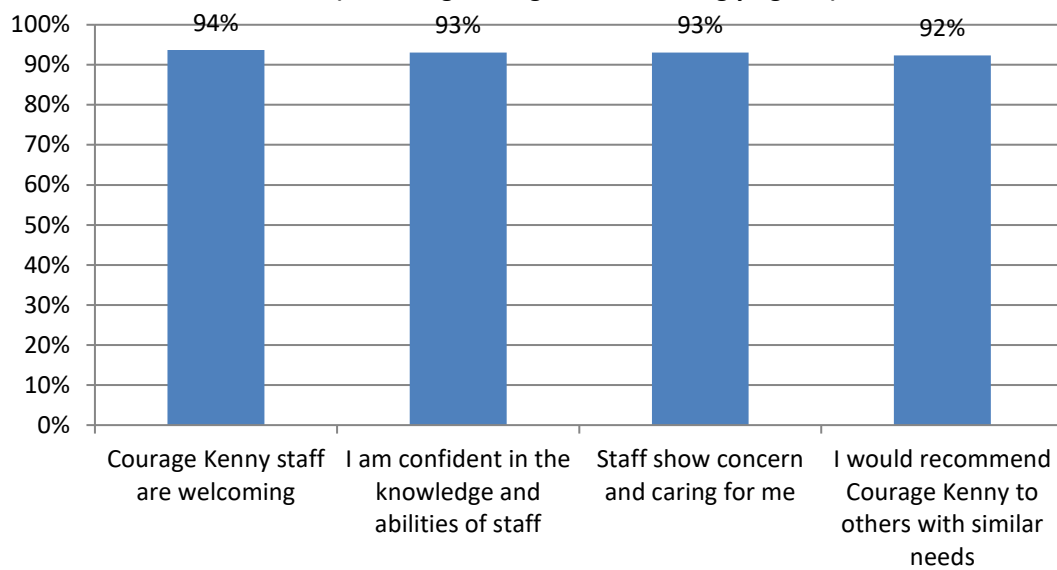
Experience

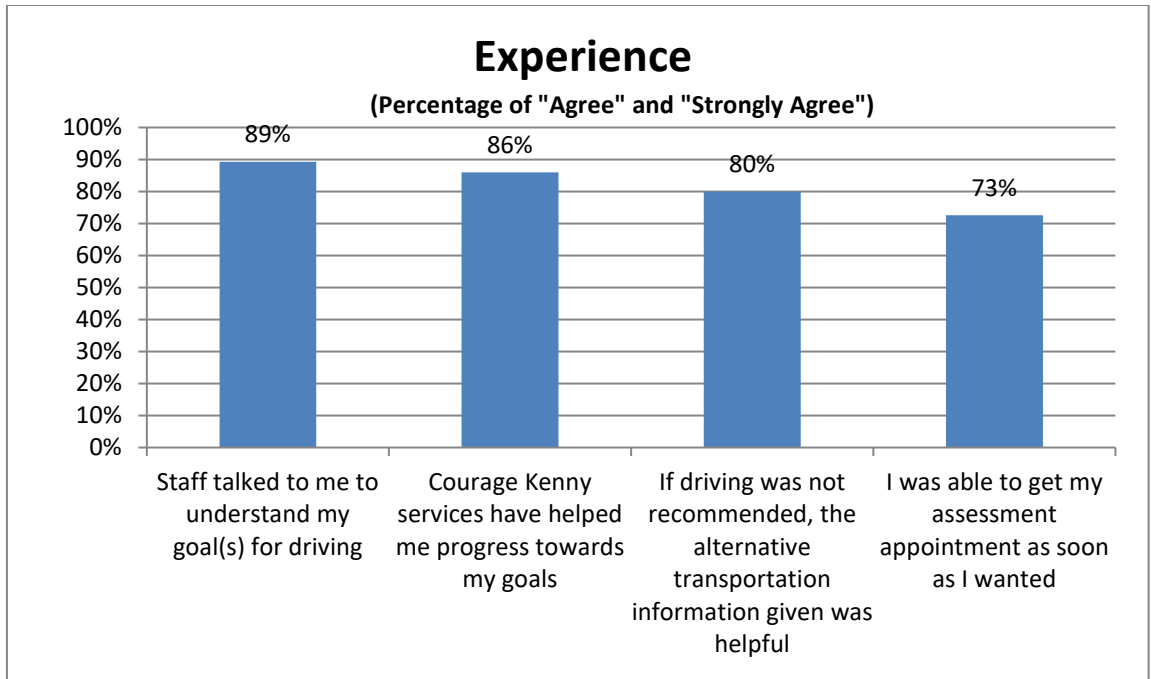
(Percentage of "Agree" and "Strongly Agree")



Experience

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Client Outcomes

Driving lessons

Of the 114 respondents that took lessons, with one of the purposes of the lessons being to prepare them for the MN state road test, 53% had taken the state road test. Of those that had taken the state road test, 92% passed. The 55 clients who passed the state road test are driving a median of five days a week. Twenty-two to work or school, 44 drive for health-related activities, 44 drive for social activities, and 40 drive for shopping and groceries.

Adaptive equipment evaluation

After completing a driving assessment 36 respondents completed driving lessons to further explore their potential to drive using adaptive equipment and received recommendations for adaptive equipment. Twenty-five respondents who own their own vehicle had adaptive equipment installed, and 90% were "satisfied" or "very satisfied" with their service. Of the 25 who had equipment installed, 96% were driving at the time of the survey a median of five days a week. Thirteen drive to work or school, 23 drive to health-related appointments, 21 drive to social activities, and 20 drive to grocery and other shopping.

More information

For information about driver assessment and training services or scheduling please go to the [Driver Assessment and Training](#) webpage.