Do You Speak Wisconsin?

Any Wisconsinite between the ages of 18 and 118 may participate in this Online Survey of Wisconsin English.

DARE is especially looking for:

1) Lifelong residents of the same 22 original communities that were studied in the first Survey

2) Lifelong residents or people who have lived in the following communities for at least 15 years
   Argyle, Baraboo, Belgium, Boaz, Chippewa Falls, Delavan, Doylestown, Elderon, Elm Grove, Genoa City, Horicon, Howards Grove, Kewaunee, Linden, Marinette, Menasha, Milwaukee, New Lisbon, Ogdensburg, Oshkosh, Plymouth, Pleasant Prairie, Randolph, Richfield, Richland Center, South Milwaukee, Spooner, Watertown, Webster.

3) Not from any of the places listed above but still eager to participate? Fine! Responses from residents of other communities will be valuable as well. We welcome all Wisconsinites to fill out all or part of the Online Survey.

Would you help us? We’d like to find out what, if anything, has changed about the way Wisconsinites speak since the last Dialect Survey was completed in 1970.

This new Wisconsin research also includes the option of a telephone interview in which participants engage in conversation with a Survey interviewer, read “The Story of Arthur the Rat,” and read a list of common words (awe, bag, caramel, etc.) that may illustrate differences in pronunciation from one part of the state to another.

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