

Making Life Easier

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(NAPSA)—Legendary actress Tallulah Bankhead, it is said, once found herself forced to use the facilities in a restaurant that lacked, she discovered too late, all the necessary supplies. She checked with her neighbor, who confirmed that she was in the same boat.

"Do you have two fives for a ten?" Bankhead asked.

Try as you might, chances are you will eventually be caught in an understocked restroom stall. More than half the respondents in a recent survey said this might make them feel "like never going back to the place or bathroom again" or "totally grossed out."

In fact, lack of toilet paper was cited as often as soapless sinks as being the most unsanitary problem a public restroom can have. Other problems people found "most annoying" included odors and non-locking doors.

Women and seniors were generally better prepared for emergency situations because they were more apt to carry extra tissue. Women were also more inclined to ask their neighbors to "spare a square," as were young adults responding to the survey, which was conducted by Opinion Research Corporation on behalf of Kimberly-Clark Professional. Overall, a third of respondents would "borrow" paper when necessary. However, 42 percent of men and 16 percent of overall respondents said they'd run to another stall.

The survey also found that not



A recent survey throws public restroom discomforts into sharp relief.

all toilets are created equal, with some settings having better facilities than others. Highway rest stop restrooms came off the worst, followed by restaurants and malls—surprisingly, stadiums were fourth, with only 11 percent calling those bathrooms the worst they'd encountered. Airport and school privies seem to be the cleanest, or at least the ones that draw the fewest complaints.

One-third of people surveyed suggested restaurateurs and others could alleviate restroom supply problems by using jumbo-sized products such as Scott Coreless JRT Jr. Bath Tissue and Scott 1000-Foot Hard Roll Towel that need to be replaced less often.

For more information on long-lasting restroom products, go to www.kcprofessional.com.