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INTRODUCTION AND METHODOLOGY

The 2008 Alberta Recreation Survey is a co-operative effort between Alberta Tourism, Parks and Recreation, and the cities of Calgary, Edmonton and Lethbridge. Banister Research & Consulting Inc. (Banister Research) met with Alberta Tourism, Parks and Recreation to review the design of the questionnaire and to coordinate data collection. Banister Research undertook the data collection and the analysis of the resulting data. The goal of the survey is to determine participation patterns of Albertans and the factors that influence their recreation activity choices. It is the eighth survey since 1981. The information gathered is used to identify recreation trends and preferences, forecast future demands, and aid the recreation field in targeting and marketing services. This report provides descriptive data (frequencies and percentages) from the survey.

The survey instrument consists of four sections. The first investigates household and respondent participation in a variety of activities. The second section inquires about respondents' three favourite leisure activities, the importance of various reasons for taking part in their favourite leisure activity, an activity respondents would like to start and the reasons for not taking part in this activity and their involvement as a volunteer. Section three asks the respondents' opinions on a few benefits of recreation and parks and a number of recreation and parks activities and services. The final section requests demographic information about respondents and their households.

A random sample of 10,000 Alberta households was selected from a computer-generated list. The sampling unit was the individual household. Respondents from each household were selected on the basis of which member 18 years or older would celebrate their next birthday. The sampling technique provided a representative sample of Alberta households.

The data was collected between September 26th and December 5th, 2008. Surveys were mailed to the household sample on September 24th, 2008. Two weeks after the first wave mail out a postcard reminder was sent to those households that had not responded. On November 12th, 2008 another survey package was mailed to those households that had still not responded. December 5th was the final due date for returned surveys.

Questionnaires were received from 2,254 households, or 22.5% of the sample with a margin of error within $\pm 2.1\%$. The proportions of the total responses received from the sponsoring

municipalities were: 31.8 % from Edmonton, 29.5% from Calgary, 27.3% from rural Alberta and 11.4% from Lethbridge.

Note on Reading Data Tables

The tables present the number of respondents providing each response and the associated percentage. Percentages are derived using the total sample size of 2,254 as the base. However, for questions where multiple responses were accepted, the total number of responses is used as the base.

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Q1. Other Physical Activities

Activity	Participating Households Other Physical Activity	
	n	%
Ball hockey	3	0.1
Brush clearing	1	0
Caving	1	0
Cricket	1	0
Delivering papers	1	0
Diving	1	0
Flying	1	0
Frisbee	2	0.1
Horseshoes	1	0
Indoor house work/renovations	2	0.1
Indoor rowing	1	0
Kickboxing/boxing	3	0.1
Lacrosse	1	0
Outdoor house work	3	0.1
Paintball	1	0
Pedal scooter	1	0
Picking rocks	1	0
Playing pool/darts	1	0
Playing with kids/grandkids	1	0
Polo	1	0
Push ups	1	0
Shuffleboard	1	0
Sleeping	1	0
Snorkelling/scuba diving	3	0.1
Stair climbing	3	0.1
Surfing	1	0
Trampoline	1	0
Triathlon	1	0
Volunteer search and rescue	1	0
Walking for health/exercise	3	0.1
Walking the dog	2	0.1
Wheelchair basketball	1	0
Wrestling	2	0.1
Total	49	2.1

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Q 1. Other Outdoor Activities

Activity	Participating Households Other Outdoor Activity	
	n	%
Archaeology	2	0.1
Astronomy	1	0
Barbeque in park	1	0
Bridge jumping/climbing	2	0.1
Disc golf	2	0.1
Frisbee	3	0.1
Geo-caching	3	0.1
Going to a playground/park	2	0.1
Golf/driving range	1	0
Hang gliding	2	0.1
Horseshoe pitching	1	0
Housework	1	0
Lacrosse	1	0
Motorcycling	4	0.2
Outdoor yard work	3	0.1
Paintball	4	0.2
Photography	2	0.1
Picking fruit/mushrooms	2	0.1
Repelling/zip lines	1	0
Rock climbing	1	0
Rock collecting	1	0
Rodeo	1	0
Search and rescue	1	0
Snowshoeing	3	0.1
Training horses	1	0
Trampoline	1	0
Tree climbing	1	0
Walking the dog	4	0.2
Water park/pool	2	0.1
<i>Total</i>	54	2.4

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Q1. Other Group Activities

Activity	Participating Households Other Group Activity	
	n	%
Auto racing	1	0
Ball hockey	15	0.7
Cricket	2	0.1
Dart league	5	0.2
Dodge ball	3	0.1
Frisbee golf	2	0.1
Handball	1	0
Horseshoes	3	0.1
Ice skating	2	0.1
Indoor games (unspecified)	1	0
Kickball	1	0
Lacrosse	8	0.4
Paintball	1	0
Shuffleboard	2	0.1
Surfing	1	0
Synchronized swimming	2	0.1
Ultimate Frisbee	11	0.5
Washers	1	0
Water polo	1	0
Wrestling	1	0
Total	64	2.8

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Q1. Other Snow Activities

Activity	Participating Households Other Snow Activity	
	n	%
Biathlon	2	0.1
Building snow houses	2	0.1
Ice climbing	3	0.1
Ice fishing	6	0.3
Ice hiking	1	0
Ice skating	2	0.1
Kite skiing	1	0
Playing in the snow (snow ball fights/snow angels)	4	0.2
Shovelling snow	14	0.6
Ski mountaineering	3	0.1
Sleigh ride	1	0
Snowshoe	40	1.8
Telemark skiing	3	0.1
Winter walking	3	0.1
Total	85	3.8

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Q1. Other Water Activities

Activity	Participating Households Other Water Activity	
	n	%
Belly boat	1	0
Cruise ship	1	0
Dragon boating	3	0.1
Fishing boat	4	0.2
Going to beach (beach volleyball)	2	0.1
House boat	1	0
Jet ski	5	0.2
Kayak	57	2.5
Paddle boat	8	0.4
Pontoon boat	3	0.1
Rafting/floating in lake	2	0.1
Rowing	4	0.2
Sand surfing	1	0
Scuba diving	7	0.3
Snorkelling	2	0.1
Surfing	2	0.1
Swimming/ocean swim	4	0.2
Tubing	15	0.7
Wakeboard	21	0.9
Water slide/water park	2	0.1
Total	145	6.4

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Q1. Other Creative/Cultural Activities

Activity	Participating Households Other Creative/Cultural Activity	
	n	%
Air show	1	0
Concerts/live music	22	1
Cooking	1	0
Crosswords	1	0
Fly tying	1	0
Going to a church	1	0
Going to a zoo	9	0.4
Playing an instrument/singing	4	0.2
Reading	12	0.5
Rebuilding old cars	1	0
Reiki stress relief	1	0
Renovating homes	3	0.1
Rodeos	1	0
Stamp collections	1	0
Toastmasters	1	0
Trade shows	5	0.2
Travel/bus day trips	5	0.2
Visiting a space and science centre	9	0.4
Visiting rural areas	1	0
Working on computer	2	0.1
Total	82	3.6

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Q1. Other Social Activities

Activity	Participating Households Other Social Activity	
	n	%
Auctions	1	0
Board/card games	37	1.6
Concerts	6	0.3
Cooking	2	0.1
Doing farm work	1	0
Family gatherings/meeting with friends	11	0.5
Foosball/billiards	6	0.3
Going for dinner/food/wine tasting	3	0.1
Going to church	4	0.2
Going to conferences/speeches	3	0.1
Going to movies	1	0
Going to playgrounds/parks	2	0.1
Group motorcycling	1	0
Horse racing	2	0.1
Internet	1	0
Library	3	0.1
Playing an instrument	1	0
Poetry	1	0
Puzzles	1	0
Reading	2	0.1
Society/club meetings	4	0.2
Travel	1	0
Volunteer	6	0.3
Watching TV	1	0
Total	101	4.5

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Q2(a). First, Second and Third Favourite Activities

Activity	1 st Favourite		2 nd Favourite		3 rd Favourite	
	n	%	n	%	n	%
Aerobics	3	0.1	9	0.4	6	0.3
Amateur radio	-	-	2	0.1		
Aquasize	12	0.5	6	0.3	2	0.1
Archery	2	0.1	-	-	-	-
Astronomy	1	0	-	-	-	-
Attending car shows	1	0	-	-	4	0.2
Attending concerts	9	0.4	7	0.3	9	0.4
Attending educational courses	1	0	1	0	3	0.1
Attending festivals, fairs	6	0.3	15	0.7	24	1.1
Attending live theatre	13	0.6	22	1	53	2.4
Attending shows	-	-	4	0.2	-	-
Attending sports events as spectator	14	0.6	24	1.1	40	1.8
ATV/off-road vehicles	28	1.2	30	1.3	14	0.6
Auto touring	2	0.1	-	-	2	0.1
Backpacking	3	0.1	3	0.1	2	0.1
Badminton	6	0.3	9	0.4	4	0.2
Ball games	-	-	-	-	1	0
Ball hockey	4	0.2	1	0	1	0
Ballet	1	0	-	-	1	0
Baseball	6	0.3	2	0.1	6	0.3
Basketball	8	0.4	4	0.2	4	0.2
Bean bag toss	1	0	-	-	-	-
Bicycling	71	3.1	115	5.1	92	4.1
Bingo	7	0.3	4	0.2	8	0.4
Birdwatching	6	0.3	9	0.4	13	0.6
Board games	1	0	-	-	3	0.1
Boating	11	0.5	25	1.1	11	0.5
Bocce ball/lawn bowling	4	0.2	2	0.1	-	-
Bowling	11	0.5	16	0.7	17	0.8
Brewing/wine making	-	-	2	0.1	-	-
Building models	-	-	1	0	1	0
Camp fires	1	0	1	0	-	-
Camping	190	8.4	102	4.5	95	4.2
Canoeing	8	0.4	18	0.8	21	0.9
Car restorations/repairs	2	0.1	1	0	5	0.2

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Activity	1 st Favourite		2 nd Favourite		3 rd Favourite	
	n	%	n	%	n	%
Casino	12	0.5	8	0.4	16	0.7
Climbing	3	0.1	-	-	1	0
Collecting (unspecified)	-	-	1	0	1	0
Collecting mushrooms	1	0	-	-	-	-
Community service	-	-	-	-	1	0
Computer	3	0.1	8	0.4	7	0.3
Cooking/baking	2	0.1	6	0.3	10	0.4
Crafts	17	0.8	26	1.2	16	0.7
Cricket	-	-	2	0.1	1	0
Cross-country skiing	9	0.4	18	-	18	0.8
Crosswords, puzzles	1	0	5	0.8	3	0.1
Curling	19	0.8	28	0.2	11	0.5
Dancing	27	1.2	23	1.2	18	0.8
Darts	1	0	-	-	1	0
Disc golf	-	-	1	0	-	-
Diving	1	0	-	-	-	-
Dog training	1	0	-	-	-	-
Downhill skiing	40	1.8	36	1.6	35	1.6
Driving for pleasure	1	0	3	0.1	4	0.2
Driving range	-	-	1	0	-	-
Fashion	-	-	-	-	1	0
Figure skating	-	-	1	0	1	0
Fishing	59	2.6	84	3.7	40	1.8
Fitness/gym	51	2.3	45	2	33	1.5
Flying	2	0.1	2	0.1	-	-
Flying radio-controlled aircraft	-	-	1	0	-	-
Football	2	0.1	9	0.4	3	0.1
Gardening	54	2.4	104	4.6	78	3.5
Genealogy	3	0.1	1	0	1	0
Geo-caching	1	0	1	0	-	-
Ghost hunting	1	0	-	-	-	-
Going out/dining out	2	0.1	7	0.3	10	0.4
Going to a movie theatre	3	0.1	6	0.3	10	0.4
Going to cabin	2	0.1	3	0.1	2	0.1
Going to playground	2	0.1	1	0	2	0.1
Going to the beach	-	-	1	0	2	0.1
Going to church	1	0	3	0.1	-	-
Going to the parks	5	0.2	-	-	5	0.2

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Activity	1 st Favourite		2 nd Favourite		3 rd Favourite	
	n	%	n	%	n	%
Going to the spa	-	-	-	-	1	0
Going to work	1	0	-	-	1	0
Golf	241	10.7	94	4.2	68	3
Gymnastics	1	0	-	-	1	0
Hiking	75	3.3	83	3.7	81	3.6
Hobbies	3	0.1	2	0.1	7	0.3
Home renovation	-	-	2	0.1	2	0.1
Horse racing	1	0	1	0	-	-
Horseback riding	16	0.7	9	0.4	9	0.4
Horseshoeing	1	0	-	-	2	0.1
Hunting	20	0.9	21	0.9	20	0.9
Ice hockey	53	2.4	35	1.6	17	0.8
Ice skating	5	0.2	16	0.7	22	1
In-line skating	2	0.1	-	-	1	0
Internet	4	0.2	1	0	1	0
Jet skiing	-	-	-	-	1	0
Jogging/running	63	2.8	45	2	36	1.6
Kickboxing	-	-	2	0.1	-	-
Lacrosse	-	-	-	-	1	0
Listening to music	11	0.5	6	0.3	16	0.7
Martial arts	3	0.1	2	0.1	1	0
Mini-golf	-	-	1	0	-	-
Motocross	1	0	-	-	-	-
Motorcycling	13	0.6	11	0.5	7	0.3
Motorized trail biking/dirt biking	3	0.1	8	0.4	7	0.3
Mountain biking	16	0.7	6	0.3	9	0.4
Mountain climbing	1	0	1	0	2	0.1
Mountaineering	-	-	2	0.1	-	-
Organized sports	8	0.4	3	0.1	4	0.2
Outdoor sports	1	0	1	0	2	0.1
Paintball	-	-	1	0	2	0.1
Painting	5	0.2	10	0.4	5	0.2
People watching	-	-	-	-	2	0.1
Photography	8	0.4	14	0.6	14	0.6
Picnicking	4	0.2	18	0.8	20	0.9
Pinball/foosball/table hockey	-	-	1	0	1	0
Playing cards	18	0.8	18	0.8	15	0.7
Playing musical instruments	11	0.5	9	0.4	7	0.3

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Activity	1 st Favourite		2 nd Favourite		3 rd Favourite	
	n	%	n	%	n	%
Playing pool	5	0.2	1	0	-	-
Polo	1	0	-	-	-	-
Pottery/ceramics	-	-	2	0.1	1	0
Racquetball	2	0.1	4	0.2		
Reading	89	3.9	74	3.3	57	2.5
Relaxing	-	-	-	-	2	0.1
Repair aircraft	1	0	-	-	-	-
Ringette	-	-	1	0	2	0.1
River rafting	-	-	9	0.4		
Rock climbing	3	0.1	1	0	1	0
Rodeo	5	0.2	1	0	4	0.2
Rollerblading	3	0.1	2	0.1	6	0.3
Rowing	-	-	1	0	-	-
RV trips	2	0.1	2	0.1	3	0.1
Sailing	5	0.2	3	0.1	4	0.2
Scuba diving	1	0	-	-	1	-
Sewing/needlework/knitting	18	0.8	22	1	31	0
Shooting	9	0.4	6	0.3	4	1.4
Shopping	4	0.2	5	0.2	6	0.3
Shuffleboard	1	0	-	-	1	0
Sightseeing	3	0.1	-	-	6	0.3
Singing/choir	5	0.2	2	0.1	5	0.2
Skiing	8	0.4	15	0.7	7	0.3
Sleep	-	-	1	0	-	-
Snowboarding	6	0.3	7	0.3	6	0.3
Snowmobiling	10	0.4	10	0.4	7	0.3
Snowshoeing	-	-	1	0	6	0.3
Soccer	25	1.1	11	0.5	7	0.3
Socializing	5	0.2	10	0.4	6	0.3
Softball	10	0.4	7	0.3	4	0.2
Speed skating	1	0	-	-	-	-
Squash	7	0.3	5	0.2	5	0.2
Stair climbing	-	-	1	0	-	-
Stamp collecting	2	0.1	-	-	1	0
Stock car racing	1	0	-	-	-	-
Street hockey	1	0	-	-	-	-
Surfing	-	-	-	-	1	0
Swimming	87	3.9	102	4.5	90	4

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Activity	1 st Favourite		2 nd Favourite		3 rd Favourite	
	n	%	n	%	n	%
Swimming pool activities	1	0	2	0.1	1	0
Table tennis	2	0.1	4	0.2	-	-
Tae kwon do	1	0	-	-	-	-
Tai chi	2	0.1	1	0	-	-
Taking part in the arts	4	0.2	7	0.3	6	0.3
Tennis	12	0.5	13	0.6	12	0.5
Tobogganing	2	0.1	2	0.1	4	0.2
Track and field	1	0	1	0	-	-
Travelling	18	0.8	14	0.6	22	1
Triathlon	2	0.1	1	0	1	0
Ultimate frisbee	1	0	-	-	-	-
Video, PC, electronic games	19	0.8	17	0.8	32	1.4
Visiting friends and family	5	0.2	7	0.3	15	0.7
Visiting libraries	-	-	-	-	2	0.1
Visiting museums, art galleries	1	0	5	0.2	12	0.5
Visiting the zoo			1	0	2	0.1
Volleyball	11	0.5	18	0.8	6	0.3
Volunteering	2	0.1	4	0.2	6	0.3
Wakeboarding	1	0	4	0.2	-	-
Walking	283	12.6	226	10	220	9.8
Walking a pet	16	0.7	12	0.5	6	0.3
Wall climbing	2	0.1	-	-	-	-
Watching TV	15	0.7	16	0.7	16	0.7
Watching video	9	0.4	22	1	15	0.7
Watching wildlife	1	0	-	-	-	-
Water skiing	4	0.2	6	0.3	2	0.1
Water sports	1	0	-	-	-	-
Weight training	16	0.7	22	1	22	1
Welding	-	-	-	-	1	0
Windsurfing	1	0	-	-	1	0
Woodworking	12	0.5	18	0.8	12	0.5
Work around the house	3	0.1	2	0.1	3	0.1
Writing	6	0.3	4	0.2	5	0.2
Yard maintenance	3	0.1	3	0.1	4	0.2
Yoga	15	0.7	22	1	17	0.8
Total	2,140	95.0	2,053	91.1	1,877	83.3
No response	114	5.0	201	8.9	377	16.7
Total Sample	2,254	100.0	2,254	100.0	2,254	100.0

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Q2(a). 1st Favourite by Frequency of Participation in Last Twelve Months

Activity	Number of Times for Participation (number of respondents)					
	1 to 2	3 to 5	6 to 10	11 to 30	31 to 50	Over 50
Aerobics	0	0	0	1	0	1
Aquasize	0	0	1	1	2	4
Archery	0	0	0	0	1	1
Astronomy	0	0	0	0	1	0
Attending car shows	0	1	0	0	0	0
Attending concerts	1	2	2	2	1	0
Attending festivals, fairs	1	4	0	1	0	0
Attending live theatre	2	5	4	1	1	0
Attending sports events as a spectator	0	1	3	5	1	2
ATV/off-road vehicles	2	3	7	14	1	0
Auto touring	0	0	1	1	0	0
Backpacking	1	2	0	0	0	0
Badminton	0	0	0	0	0	4
Ball hockey	0	0	1	2	0	1
Ballet	0	0	0	1	0	0
Baseball	0	0	1	4	0	0
Basketball	0	0	0	3	3	1
Bean bag toss	0	0	1	0	0	0
Bicycling	1	2	4	21	8	19
Bingo	0	0	0	1	3	2
Birdwatching	0	2	0	2	1	0
Board games	0	0	1	0	0	0
Boating	0	2	3	5	0	0
Bocce ball/lawn bowling	0	0	0	3	0	0
Bowling	0	0	0	3	2	3
Camp fires	0	0	0	1	0	0
Camping	16	48	61	39	7	2
Canoeing	1	1	4	0	0	1
Casino	1	0	2	3	1	2
Climbing	0	0	0	1	1	1
Collecting mushrooms	0	0	1	0	0	0
Computer	0	0	0	0	0	1
Cooking/baking	0	1	0	0	0	0
Crafts	0	1	2	3	2	4
Cross-country skiing	0	0	2	2	2	1
Curling	0	0	1	8	5	4
Dancing	2	1	4	10	0	6
Darts	0	0	0	0	0	1

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Activity	Number of Times for Participation (number of respondents)					
	1 to 2	3 to 5	6 to 10	11 to 30	31 to 50	Over 50
Diving	1	0	0	0	0	0
Dog training	0	0	0	1	0	0
Downhill skiing	3	6	9	12	5	1
Driving for pleasure	0	1	0	0	0	0
Fishing	3	7	20	15	0	5
Fitness/gym	0	0	2	2	4	22
Flying	0	0	0	1	0	1
Football	0	0	0	0	1	1
Gardening	0	1	3	5	4	13
Genealogy	0	0	0	0	1	1
Geo-caching	0	0	0	1	0	0
Ghost hunting	0	0	1	0	0	0
Going out/dining out	0	0	0	0	0	1
Going to a movie theatre	0	2	1	0	0	0
Going to cabin	0	0	0	1	0	0
Going to playground	0	0	1	0	0	1
Going to church	0	0	0	0	1	0
Going to the parks	0	1	1	0	1	2
Golf	10	10	27	65	47	58
Gymnastics	0	0	0	0	0	1
Hiking	4	14	23	15	6	5
Hobbies	0	0	0	2	1	0
Horse racing	0	0	0	1	0	0
Horseback riding	2	2	1	1	2	5
Horseshoeing	0	1	0	0	0	0
Hunting	2	5	3	9	0	0
Ice hockey	3	1	1	14	13	17
Ice skating	2	0	1	0	1	1
In-line skating	0	0	0	1	0	0
Internet	0	0	0	0	0	1
Jogging/running	0	2	0	4	2	40
Listening to music	0	0	1	1	1	4
Martial arts	0	0	1	0	0	2
Motocross	0	0	0	1	0	0
Motorcycling	0	0	0	5	0	5
Motorized trail biking/dirt biking	0	1	1	0	0	0
Mountain biking	0	2	2	4	1	5
Mountain climbing	1	0	0	0	0	0
Organized sports	0	0	1	2	0	3
Outdoor sports	0	0	0	1	0	0

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Activity	Number of Times for Participation (number of respondents)					
	1 to 2	3 to 5	6 to 10	11 to 30	31 to 50	Over 50
Painting	0	0	0	1	1	1
Photography	0	0	0	2	1	2
Picnicking	1	1	1	0	0	0
Playing cards	0	0	1	3	4	6
Playing musical instruments	0	0	0	1	1	6
Playing pool	0	0	0	1	1	3
Polo	0	0	0	0	0	1
Racquetball	0	0	0	0	1	1
Reading	1	0	2	4	1	25
Repair aircraft	0	0	0	0	0	1
Rock climbing	0	0	0	2	1	0
Rodeo	0	0	0	5	0	0
Rollerblading	0	0	1	2	0	0
RV trips	0	0	1	0	0	1
Sailing	0	1	0	3	1	0
Scuba diving	1	0	0	0	0	0
Sewing/needlework/knitting	0	1	2	2	2	1
Shooting	0	1	0	5	2	0
Shopping	0	1	0	1	0	1
Sightseeing	1	1	0	1	0	0
Singing/choir	1	0	0	1	1	0
Skiing	0	3	0	4	1	0
Snowboarding	0	0	2	4	0	0
Snowmobiling	0	0	2	6	0	0
Soccer	0	1	2	6	5	8
Socializing	0	0	1	1	1	1
Softball	0	0	0	4	3	2
Squash	1	0	0	3	1	2
Street hockey	0	0	0	0	1	0
Swimming	3	11	21	26	8	12
Table tennis	0	0	0	0	0	2
Tae kwon do	0	0	0	0	0	1
Tai chi	0	0	0	0	0	2
Taking part in the arts	0	0	1	0	1	1
Tennis	0	0	0	2	1	4
Tobogganing	0	0	1	0	0	0
Track and field	0	0	0	0	1	0
Travelling	4	7	5	0	0	0
Triathlon	0	0	1	0	0	1
Ultimate frisbee	0	0	0	1	0	0

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Activity	Number of Times for Participation (number of respondents)					
	1 to 2	3 to 5	6 to 10	11 to 30	31 to 50	Over 50
Video, PC, electronic games	0	0	0	1	1	13
Visiting friends and family	1	0	0	2	0	0
Visiting museums, art galleries	0	1	0	0	0	0
Volleyball	0	1	1	2	3	1
Volunteering	0	0	1	1	0	0
Wakeboarding	0	0	0	1	0	0
Walking	0	2	4	21	19	129
Walking a pet	0	0	0	0	0	8
Wall climbing	0	0	0	2	0	0
Watching TV	0	0	1	0	0	7
Watching video	2	2	1	1	1	0
Watching wildlife	0	1	0	0	0	0
Water skiing	0	0	1	3	0	0
Water sports	0	0	1	0	0	0
Weight training	0	0	0	0	0	14
Windsurfing	0	0	0	1	0	0
Woodworking	0	0	1	3	3	2
Work around the house	0	0	0	1	0	0
Writing	0	0	0	1	0	1
Yoga	0	0	0	3	3	4
Total	75	167	261	436	204	520

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Q2(a). 2nd Favourite by Frequency of Participation in Last Twelve Months

Activity	Number of Times for Participation (number of respondents)					
	1 to 2	3 to 5	6 to 10	11 to 30	31 to 50	Over 50
Aerobics	0	1	1	2	3	2
Amateur radio	0	0	0	0	0	2
Aquasize	1	0	1	1	1	0
Attending concerts	0	2	3	1	0	0
Attending festivals, fairs	3	6	2	2	0	0
Attending live theatre	1	6	4	8	0	0
Attending shows	0	4	0	0	0	0
Attending sports events as a spectator	1	3	5	10	0	2
ATV/off-road vehicles	5	3	7	5	3	2
Backpacking	1	0	1	1	0	0
Badminton	0	2	1	2	1	1
Ball hockey	0	0	0	1	0	0
Baseball	0	0	0	1	0	0
Basketball	0	0	0	2	1	1
Bicycling	3	4	13	36	9	28
Bingo	1	0	0	1	0	0
Birdwatching	0	1	2	2	0	1
Boating	4	5	4	6	1	1
Bocce ball/lawn bowling	1	0	1	0	0	0
Bowling	1	0	3	4	5	0
Brewing/wine making	0	0	0	1	0	0
Building models	0	0	0	0	1	0
Camp fires	1	0	0	0	0	0
Camping	21	20	19	28	1	1
Canoeing	6	5	2	4	0	0
Car restorations/repairs	0	0	0	0	1	0
Casino	0	3	0	2	1	1
Collecting	0	0	0	0	1	0
Computer	0	0	0	1	1	6
Cooking/baking	0	0	1	1	2	0
Crafts	0	3	2	6	2	3
Cricket	1	0	0	0	0	0
Cross-country skiing	1	5	3	8	0	0
Crosswords, puzzles	0	0	0	0	0	1
Curling	2	0	1	12	7	3
Dancing	0	2	2	11	3	2
Disc golf	0	0	1	0	0	0
Downhill skiing	2	4	10	13	1	1

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Activity	Number of Times for Participation (number of respondents)					
	1 to 2	3 to 5	6 to 10	11 to 30	31 to 50	Over 50
Driving for pleasure	0	0	2	1	0	0
Driving range	0	0	0	0	1	0
Figure skating	0	0	0	0	1	0
Fishing	9	18	19	22	2	2
Fitness/gym	0	1	2	3	3	22
Flying	1	0	0	0	0	0
Flying radio-controlled aircraft	0	0	0	1	0	0
Football	1	1	2	3	0	0
Gardening	2	1	4	21	13	23
Going out/dining out	0	0	2	3	0	2
Going to a movie theatre	0	2	1	2	0	1
Going to cabin	0	1	0	0	1	0
Going to playground	0	0	0	0	0	1
Going to the beach	0	0	1	0	0	0
Golf	6	6	22	38	10	4
Hiking	3	21	24	23	1	3
Hobbies	0	0	0	0	0	2
Home renovation	0	0	0	1	1	0
Horse racing	1	0	0	0	0	0
Horseback riding	0	3	1	1	1	2
Hunting	3	4	8	5	0	1
Ice hockey	1	3	2	14	7	5
Ice skating	1	2	4	4	0	2
Jogging/running	0	0	2	8	5	27
Kickboxing	0	0	0	0	1	1
Listening to music	0	0	0	1	0	2
Martial arts	0	0	0	1	0	1
Mini-golf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Motorcycling	0	1	1	4	1	2
Motorized trail biking/dirt biking	1	0	1	3	1	1
Mountain biking	1	0	1	3	0	1
Mountain climbing	0	1	0	0	0	0
Mountaineering	0	1	0	1	0	0
Organized sports	0	0	0	0	2	1
Paintball	0	0	1	0	0	0
Painting	2	1	2	1	0	1
Photography	0	1	2	2	6	1
Picnicking	4	4	6	2	1	0
Pinball/foosball/table hockey	0	0	0	1	0	0
Playing cards	0	0	1	3	3	5

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Activity	Number of Times for Participation (number of respondents)					
	1 to 2	3 to 5	6 to 10	11 to 30	31 to 50	Over 50
Playing musical instruments	1	0	0	0	0	7
Pottery/ceramics	0	0	1	0	1	0
Racquetball	0	1	0	2	0	1
Reading	1	1	5	7	3	23
Ringette	0	0	0	1	0	0
River rafting	3	3	2	1	0	0
Rodeo	1	0	0	0	0	0
Rollerblading	1	0	0	0	1	0
Rowing	0	0	0	1	0	0
RV trips	0	1	0	1	0	0
Sailing	2	0	1	0	0	0
Sewing/needlework/knitting	0	0	0	5	1	6
Shooting	1	1	1	2	0	0
Shopping	0	0	1	0	1	0
Singing/choir	0	0	0	1	1	0
Skiing	2	4	6	1	2	0
Snowboarding	0	2	1	3	0	0
Snowmobiling	1	1	5	3	0	0
Snowshoeing	0	1	0	0	0	0
Soccer	0	1	1	5	1	1
Socializing	1	1	0	0	2	0
Softball	0	0	0	5	2	0
Squash	1	0	0	2	1	0
Stair climbing	0	0	0	0	1	0
Swimming	6	7	14	43	9	8
Swimming pool activities	0	1	0	0	0	1
Table tennis	0	0	1	1	1	0
Tai chi	0	0	0	0	0	1
Taking part in the arts	0	0	0	1	1	3
Tennis	3	1	4	3	1	1
Tobogganing	0	1	1	0	0	0
Track and field	0	1	0	0	0	0
Travelling	1	7	3	2	0	0
Triathlon	0	0	0	0	0	1
Video, PC, electronic games	0	0	1	4	1	6
Visiting friends and family	0	0	0	2	1	0
Visiting museums, art galleries	1	1	2	1	0	0
Visiting the zoo	0	0	0	1	0	0
Volleyball	1	1	3	7	3	0
Volunteering	0	0	1	0	0	0

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Activity	Number of Times for Participation (number of respondents)					
	1 to 2	3 to 5	6 to 10	11 to 30	31 to 50	Over 50
Wakeboarding	0	1	0	3	0	0
Walking	1	2	7	32	27	93
Walking a pet	0	0	1	1	0	4
Watching TV	0	0	0	1	0	3
Watching video	1	3	3	7	2	0
Water skiing	1	1	1	2	0	0
Weight training	0	0	0	2	3	10
Woodworking	1	1	0	6	6	2
Work around the house	0	0	0	0	0	1
Writing	0	0	0	0	1	1
Yard maintenance	0	0	2	1	0	0
Yoga	0	0	0	3	6	8
Total	124	196	268	507	185	352

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Q2(a). 3rd Favourite by Frequency of Participation in Last Twelve Months

Activity	Number of Times for Participation (number of respondents)					
	1 to 2	3 to 5	6 to 10	11 to 30	31 to 50	Over 50
Aerobics	1	0	0	0	0	4
Aquasize	0	0	1	0	0	0
Attending car shows	0	0	3	1	0	0
Attending concerts	0	3	4	1	0	0
Attending educational courses	0	0	1	1	0	0
Attending festivals, fairs	5	10	5	2	0	0
Attending live theatre	16	9	16	5	2	0
Attending sports events as a spectator	1	5	7	14	3	4
ATV/off-road vehicles	2	0	6	5	0	0
Auto touring	0	1	1	0	0	0
Backpacking	0	2	0	0	0	0
Badminton	1	0	0	0	1	0
Ball games	0	0	0	1	0	0
Ball hockey	0	0	0	1	0	0
Ballet	0	0	1	0	0	0
Baseball	0	1	1	3	0	0
Basketball	0	0	1	2	1	0
Bicycling	1	6	12	42	6	14
Bingo	0	1	3	1	0	1
Birdwatching	0	1	2	2	1	4
Board games	0	0	1	0	0	1
Boating	1	3	3	2	0	0
Bowling	1	2	4	6	1	0
Building models	0	0	0	1	0	0
Camping	21	26	22	14	4	0
Canoeing	4	7	1	4	0	2
Car restorations/repairs	0	0	0	0	1	3
Casino	1	1	4	7	2	1
Climbing	0	0	0	1	0	0
Collecting	0	0	0	0	0	1
Computer	0	0	0	0	0	2
Cooking/baking	0	0	1	2	0	2
Crafts	0	1	1	0	3	8
Cricket	0	0	0	0	0	1
Cross-country skiing	0	4	6	3	2	0
Crosswords, puzzles	0	0	0	2	0	0
Curling	1	1	0	7	0	0
Dancing	4	6	2	3	2	1

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Activity	Number of Times for Participation (number of respondents)					
	1 to 2	3 to 5	6 to 10	11 to 30	31 to 50	Over 50
Downhill skiing	7	5	7	10	1	0
Driving for pleasure	0	0	1	1	0	0
Figure skating	0	0	0	0	0	1
Fishing	4	10	9	10	0	1
Fitness/gym	0	1	2	4	7	11
Football	0	0	0	2	0	0
Gardening	2	3	3	13	13	9
Going out/dining out	1	0	1	0	0	3
Going to a movie theatre	0	1	3	4	0	0
Going to playground	0	0	0	0	0	1
Going to the beach	0	0	0	0	0	1
Going to the parks	0	0	2	0	0	1
Going to the spa	0	0	0	0	0	1
Golf	2	12	19	24	1	5
Gymnastics	0	0	0	1	0	0
Hiking	13	24	10	23	2	1
Hobbies	0	0	2	3	0	1
Home renovation	0	0	0	1	1	0
Horseback riding	1	4	1	2	0	0
Horseshoeing	0	1	0	1	0	0
Hunting	1	2	7	6	0	1
Ice hockey	1	4	1	6	1	0
Ice skating	2	5	7	5	0	0
In-line skating	0	1	0	0	0	0
Internet	0	0	0	0	0	1
Jogging/running	4	1	1	6	4	13
Lacrosse	0	0	0	1	0	0
Listening to music	0	0	1	2	1	4
Martial arts	0	0	0	0	0	1
Motorcycling	0	1	2	3	1	0
Motorized trail biking/dirt biking	1	1	3	2	0	0
Mountain biking	2	3	1	3	0	0
Mountain climbing	1	0	1	0	0	0
Organized sports	0	2	1	1	0	0
Outdoor sports	0	0	1	0	0	0
Paintball	1	0	1	0	0	0
Painting	0	0	0	2	1	0
People watching	0	0	0	1	0	0
Photography	0	0	1	4	1	3
Picnicking	3	5	5	5	0	0

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Activity	Number of Times for Participation (number of respondents)					
	1 to 2	3 to 5	6 to 10	11 to 30	31 to 50	Over 50
Playing cards	0	0	2	5	2	3
Playing musical instruments	0	0	0	2	2	1
Reading	0	0	0	7	1	21
Relaxing	0	0	0	1	0	0
Ringette	1	0	0	0	1	0
Rock climbing	0	0	1	0	0	0
Rodeo	1	2	1	0	0	0
Rollerblading	0	0	1	2	0	0
RV trips	1	0	0	1	0	0
Sailing	2	0	0	1	0	0
Scuba diving	0	1	0	0	0	0
Sewing/needlework/knitting	1	2	2	8	1	6
Shooting	0	0	1	0	1	0
Shopping	1	0	0	1	0	1
Shuffleboard	0	0	0	0	1	0
Sightseeing	0	2	1	2	0	0
Singing/choir	0	0	0	2	2	0
Skiing	2	3	1	1	0	0
Snowboarding	2	3	1	0	0	0
Snowmobiling	1	1	1	4	0	0
Snowshoeing	0	1	5	0	0	0
Soccer	0	0	0	5	1	1
Socializing	0	0	1	2	0	0
Softball	1	0	0	3	0	0
Squash	0	1	1	2	1	0
Surfing	0	0	1	0	0	0
Swimming	3	14	18	30	9	4
Swimming pool activities	0	0	1	0	0	0
Taking part in the arts	0	1	1	4	0	0
Tennis	1	2	1	2	4	0
Tobogganing	0	0	2	2	0	0
Travelling	5	5	7	0	0	0
Triathlon	1	0	0	0	0	0
Video, PC, electronic games	0	0	2	7	6	10
Visiting friends and family	0	1	4	3	1	0
Visiting library	0	1	0	0	0	0
Visiting museums, art galleries	4	2	3	2	0	0
Visiting the zoo	0	0	1	1	0	0
Volleyball	0	3	0	1	2	0
Volunteering	0	0	0	0	1	1

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Activity	Number of Times for Participation (number of respondents)					
	1 to 2	3 to 5	6 to 10	11 to 30	31 to 50	Over 50
Walking	3	3	8	45	23	81
Walking a pet	0	0	0	0	1	2
Watching TV	0	0	0	1	0	7
Watching video	1	2	4	3	1	2
Water skiing	0	0	1	1	0	0
Weight training	1	0	1	3	3	11
Welding	0	0	1	0	0	0
Windsurfing	0	1	0	0	0	0
Woodworking	3	1	1	1	3	1
Writing	1	1	0	1	0	0
Yard maintenance	0	0	0	2	0	0
Yoga	1	0	3	4	3	3
Total	143	229	281	441	133	263

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Q2(b). Other Settings for Participation

Settings - "other" responses	Number of respondents	% Respondents
In a fitness club	5	0.2
At work/industry	4	0.2
Outdoors/campground	4	0.2
Pleasure/relaxation	3	0.1
On holidays	3	0.1
As a volunteer	3	0.1
Performing for an audience	2	0.1
Online	2	0.1
As transportation to work	2	0.1
With dog	2	0.1
At festivals/workshops	2	0.1
As an observer	1	0
At art gallery	1	0
Informal day/multiday trips	1	0
Picnic	1	0
At home	1	0
Ski patrol	1	0
Teaching	1	0
Church	1	0
As practice	1	0
In derbies	1	0
Total	42	1.9

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Q2(c). Other Reasons for Taking Part in Leisure Activities

Reason - "other" responses	Number of respondents	% Respondents
For stress relief	10	0.4
To spend time with God/inspiration	8	0.4
To walk the dog	4	0.2
Is able to/has the time/retired	4	0.2
Personal time (to think, analyze, stay current)	3	0.1
To see new places	3	0.1
To provide food	3	0.1
Work requires them to be fit	2	0.1
Have been doing it for entire life	1	0
Gives them a sense of freedom	1	0
To be prepared	1	0
To learn about other people	1	0
Is low cost hobby with career potential	1	0
Easy to do	1	0
To train horses	1	0
Enjoys making gifts for others	1	0
To spend time shopping	1	0
Is part of our culture	1	0
To achieve personal goals	1	0
To try new foods	1	0
Total	49	2.1

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Q3(b). Activities Would Like To Start

Activity to start	Number of Respondents	% of Respondents
Acting	1	0
Aerobics	2	0.1
Aquasize	23	1.0
Archery	8	0.4
Art classes	2	0.1
Attend educational courses	6	0.3
Attending fairs, festivals	2	0.1
Attending seniors club	3	0.1
Attending theatre	4	0.2
ATV/off-road vehicles	8	0.4
Automotive restoration	1	0
Backpacking	5	0.2
Badminton	11	0.5
Ball hockey	2	0.1
Ballet	1	0
Baseball	1	0
Basketball	2	0.1
Belly dancing	1	0
Bicycling	28	1.2
Board games	2	0.1
Boating	6	0.3
Bowling	6	0.3
Boxing	2	0.1
Camping	10	0.4
Canoeing/kayaking	33	1.5
Car racing	1	0
Caving	1	0
Climbing	1	0
Community league activities	2	0.1
Cooking	2	0.1
Crafts	8	0.4
Cross-country skiing	28	1.2
Curling	30	1.3
Dancing	34	1.5
Disc golf	1	0
Dog sledding	1	0
Dog training	1	0
Downhill skiing	3	0.1
Fencing	4	0.2
Fishing	20	0.9
Floor hockey	4	0.2
Flying a plane	3	0.1
Football	1	0

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Activity to start	Number of Respondents	% of Respondents
Free activities	1	0
Glider plane	1	0
Golf	28	1.2
Gym/fitness	76	3.4
Hang gliding	3	0.1
Hiking	15	0.7
Hobbies	1	0
Horseback riding	8	0.4
Hunting	4	0.2
Ice hockey	13	0.6
Ice skating	8	0.4
In-line skating	1	0
Karate	5	0.2
Kickboxing	6	0.3
Lawn bowling	1	0
Learn a foreign language	1	0
Martial arts	16	0.7
Meditation	2	0.1
Motorcycling	6	0.3
Mountain biking	8	0.4
Mountaineering	1	0
Off-road biking	2	0.1
Orienteering	2	0.1
Painting	7	0.3
Paragliding	1	0
Photography	6	0.3
Picnicking	1	0
Pilates	4	0.2
Playing cards	4	0.2
Playing musical instruments	11	0.5
Pottery/ceramics	3	0.1
Racquet sports	1	0
Racquetball	3	0.1
Ranching	1	0
Reading	1	0
River rafting	1	0
Rock climbing	4	0.2
Rollerblading	1	0
Rowing	4	0.2
Rugby	1	0
Running/jogging	16	0.7
Sailing	7	0.3
Scuba diving	4	0.2
Shooting (target, skeet)	7	0.3
Singing/choir	4	0.2

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Activity to start	Number of Respondents	% of Respondents
Skeleton	1	0
Skiing	20	0.9
Snowboarding	5	0.2
Snowmobiling	3	0.1
Snowshoeing	4	0.2
Soccer	1	0
Softball	4	0.2
Speed skating	5	0.2
Squash	6	0.3
Surfing	4	0.2
Surfing internet	3	0.1
Swimming	67	3.0
Table tennis	2	0.1
Tai chi	8	0.4
Team sports	7	0.3
Tennis	14	0.6
Travelling	10	0.4
Volleyball	9	0.4
Volunteering	2	0.1
Walking	19	0.8
Wall climbing	13	0.6
Watch international sports on TV	1	0
Water activities	5	0.2
Water skiing	1	0
Weight training	23	1.0
Woodworking	2	0.1
Yoga	45	2.0
<i>Sub-total</i>	900	40.0
No response	1,354	60.0
Total	2,254	100.0

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Q3(c). Other Reasons For Not Taking Part In The Activity Would Like To Start

Reasons – “other” responses	Number of Respondents	% of Respondents
Personal motivation/laziness	9	0.4
Poor available times for activity/poor schedule for	8	0.4
Have young children/single mom/would need childcare	5	0.2
Concerned about safety during the activity	5	0.2
Have no friends doing this activity/no one to go with	3	0.1
Lack of instructors/the instructor's experience	2	0.1
Spouse is busy and not interested in activity	2	0.1
Doesn't have proper equipment	2	0.1
Maintenance of equipment is too much	1	0
Lack of public use time at facilities (public swim)	1	0
Out of shape/unfit	1	0
Lack of programs to do as a family	1	0
Concerned others participating in activity too reckless	1	0
Lack of drop in opportunities	1	0
Activity requires transportation at start and end point	1	0
Is out of the country during the winter	1	0
Activity is only available part of the year	1	0
Lack of amenities in parks	1	0
Lack of parking	1	0
Classes are booked full	1	0
Not a strong enough swimmer	1	0
<i>Sub-Total</i>	49	2.2
No response	2,205	97.8
Total	2,254	100.0

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Q4(b). Other Volunteer Jobs

Job	Number of Respondents	% of Respondents
Children/cadet leader	7	0.3
Referee	5	0.2
Fundraising/functions	5	0.2
Sunday school/church nursery	5	0.2
Aide in class	4	0.2
Park host/hostess	3	0.1
Musician	3	0.1
Maintenance/clean up	3	0.1
Camp leader	2	0.1
Driver	2	0.1
Choir member	2	0.1
Teacher	2	0.1
Treasurer	2	0.1
Mentor	2	0.1
Helps people (blind people/seniors)	2	0.1
Give art work for auction	2	0.1
Consultant	2	0.1
Fire fighter	2	0.1
Canvas neighbourhoods for non-profit groups	2	0.1
Casino coordinator	1	0
Competition chairman	1	0
Judge	1	0
Trail guide	1	0
Speaker	1	0
Performer	1	0
Researcher	1	0
Ticket seller	1	0
Community radio	1	0
Union member	1	0
Community on Patrol	1	0
At a thrift shop	1	0
Volunteer at sporting events	1	0
Excessive lighting monitor	1	0
Cook	1	0
<i>Sub-Total</i>	<i>71</i>	<i>3.1</i>
No response	2,183	96.9
Total	2,254	100.0

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O6(c). Alberta Provincial Parks Visited

(multiple responses were allowed)

Parks Visited	Number of References	% of References
Kananaskis Country	340	10.3
Banff	306	9.2
Jasper	202	6.1
Dinosaur	151	4.6
Peter Lougheed	140	4.2
Fish Creek	122	3.7
Elk Island	105	3.2
Cypress Hills	101	3.0
Waterton	100	3.0
Bow Valley Wildland	92	2.8
Writing-on-Stone	86	2.6
Pigeon Lake	66	2.0
Park Lake	65	2.0
Miquelon Lake	53	1.6
Bragg Creek Provincial Park	50	1.5
Wabamum	49	1.5
Sylvan Lake	47	1.4
Pembina River	46	1.4
Little Bow	42	1.3
Long Lake	38	1.1
Crimson Lake	37	1.1
Aspen Beach	35	1.1
Chain Lakes	35	1.1
Municipal/county parks	35	1.1
Private campgrounds	34	1.0
Beauvais Lake	32	1.0
W. Switzer Park	31	0.9
Lesser Slave Lake	31	0.9
Canmore Nordic Centre	30	0.9
Cold Lake	27	0.8
Carson-Pegasus	20	0.6
Spray Lakes	20	0.6
Out of province parks	20	0.6
Thunder Lake	19	0.6
Big Hill Springs	17	0.5
Dry Island Buffalo Jump	17	0.5
Police Outpost	17	0.5
Sir Winston Churchill	15	0.5
Beaver Mines Lake	15	0.5
Gull Lake	15	0.5
Unknown	14	0.4
Red Lodge	14	0.4

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Parks Visited	Number of References	% of References
Kinbrook Island	13	0.4
Saskatoon	13	0.4
Cooking Lake/Blackfoot	13	0.4
A lot of them	13	0.4
Moose Lake	12	0.4
Vermillion	12	0.4
Head-Smashed-in-Buffalo Jump interpretive centre	12	0.4
Cross Lake	11	0.3
Elbow-Sheep Wildland Park	11	0.3
Garner Lake	11	0.3
Beaver Lake	11	0.3
Elbow Sub-District	11	0.3
Big Knife	10	0.3
Hilliard's Bay	10	0.3
Jarvis Bay	10	0.3
Rochon Sands	10	0.3
Buffalo Lake	10	0.3
Lundbreck Falls	10	0.3
Dunvegan	9	0.3
Queen Elizabeth Park (Lac Cardinal)	9	0.3
Sheep River Park	9	0.3
Wyndham-Carseland	8	0.2
Willmore Wilderness	8	0.2
Ram Falls	8	0.2
Milk River natural area	8	0.2
Gregoire Lake	7	0.2
Midland	7	0.2
Moonshine Lake	7	0.2
Whitney Lakes	7	0.2
Lakeland	7	0.2
Brazeau Reservoir	7	0.2
Glacier National Park	7	0.2
Yoho National Park	7	0.2
Dillberry Lake	6	0.2
Taber	6	0.2
Winagami	6	0.2
Twin Lakes	6	0.2
Chinook Lake	6	0.2
Goldeye Lake recreation area	6	0.2
Kootenay Plains Ecological Reserve	5	0.2
Tillebrook	5	0.2
Buck Lake	5	0.2
Oldman River Dam	5	0.2
Allison FRA	5	0.2
Calling Lake	4	0.1

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Parks Visited	Number of References	% of References
Hasse Lake	4	0.1
Williamson	4	0.1
North Buck Lake	4	0.1
St. Mary's Reservoir	4	0.1
Castle Falls	4	0.1
Obed Lake	4	0.1
Red Deer River	4	0.1
Rock Lake	4	0.1
Two Lakes (Gunderson Meadows, Pine Hollow/North Lake, etc.)	4	0.1
Sheep Sub-District	4	0.1
O'Brien Park (Wapiti River)	4	0.1
Horseshoe Canyon recreation area	4	0.1
Indian Graves recreation area	4	0.1
Frank Slide interpretive centre	4	0.1
Ukrainian Cultural Village museum	4	0.1
Strathcona Science Park	3	0.1
Young's Point	3	0.1
Ghost Reservoir	3	0.1
Ghost River Wilderness Area	3	0.1
Old Man River	3	0.1
Payne	3	0.1
Fawcett Lake	3	0.1
Kootenay Plains	3	0.1
Pierre Grey's Lakes	3	0.1
Clifford E. Lee natural area	3	0.1
Bluerock Wildland park	3	0.1
The Narrows recreation area	3	0.1
McLean Creek recreation area	3	0.1
Figure Eight Lake recreation area	3	0.1
Musreau Lake recreation area	3	0.1
Kakwa River recreation area	3	0.1
Wolf Lake West recreation area	3	0.1
Ma-Me-O Beach	2	0.1
Notikiwan	2	0.1
Willow Creek	2	0.1
Woolford	2	0.1
Bleriot Ferry	2	0.1
Brown-Lowery	2	0.1
Dutch Creek	2	0.1
Fish Lake	2	0.1
Phyllis Lake	2	0.1
Waiparous	2	0.1
Whitehorse Creek	2	0.1
Nose Lake	2	0.1

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Parks Visited	Number of References	% of References
Horburg Provincial recreation area	2	0.1
Fairfax Lake recreation area	2	0.1
Victoria Settlement natural area	2	0.1
Island Lake recreation area	2	0.1
Medicine Lake recreation area	2	0.1
Ross Lake natural area	2	0.1
Eagle Point Park	2	0.1
Wood Buffalo National Park	2	0.1
Crowsnest	1	0
Gooseberry Lake	1	0
Lac La Biche (la mission)	1	0
French Bay	1	0
Raven	1	0
Elk Point Bridge	1	0
Little Bow Reservoir	1	0
Ministik	1	0
Chambers Creek	1	0
Jackfish Lake	1	0
Livingstone Falls	1	0
Prairie Creek	1	0
Beaver Creek Random	1	0
Highwood Sub-District	1	0
Sandhills	1	0
Stoney Lake	1	0
Sulphur Lake	1	0
Thompson Creek	1	0
Swan Lake	1	0
Cow Lake Staging Area	1	0
Lois Hole Centennial Provincial Park	1	0
Cobble Flats Provincial recreation area	1	0
Don Getty Wildland Provincial Park	1	0
Parkland natural area	1	0
Blackstone recreation area	1	0
Wildhay recreation area	1	0
Greenford recreation area	1	0
Weald recreation area	1	0
Sundance Provincial Park	1	0
Alsike Bat Lake natural area	1	0
Crescent Falls recreation area	1	0
Coal Lake recreation area	1	0
Sundre natural area	1	0
Fallen Timber recreation area	1	0
Burnt Timber recreation area	1	0
Fidler-Greywillow wildlife area	1	0
Kleskun Hills natural area	1	0

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Parks Visited	Number of References	% of References
Maqua Lake recreation area	1	0
Simonette River recreation area	1	0
Sturgeon Lake natural area	1	0
Seven Mile recreation area	1	0
Fort Whoop-up National historic site	1	0
Bar U Ranch National historic site	1	0
Buckingham House interpretive centre	1	0
Running Lake Provincial Recreation area	1	0
Bear Lake natural area	1	0
Sibbald Sub-District	1	0
Total	3,312	100

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Q6(d). Other Sources of Information

(multiple responses were allowed)

Sources of Information	Number of Responses	% of Responses
Live nearby	13	0.6
Family	13	0.6
Friends	13	0.6
Drove by	8	0.4
Travel books	8	0.4
Global positioning system	5	0.2
Hiking guide	4	0.2
Topographical maps	4	0.2
Travel Alberta	3	0.1
Travel guide	3	0.1
Trail guides	2	0.1
Prior knowledge	2	0.1
School tour	2	0.1
Community group	2	0.1
Mental health organizations	1	0
Books	1	0
Highway sign	1	0
Church	1	0
Trail maps for cross-country skiing	1	0
Park management	1	0
Work/colleagues	1	0
Other people planned it	1	0
Total	90	100.0

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Q6(e). Other Reasons For Not Visiting An Alberta Provincial Park

Reasons for not visiting	Main Reason		Second Reason	
	n	%	n	%
Busy/no time/work	19	0.8	5	0.2
Is too old/unhealthy	14	0.6	1	0
Park entrance fees are too high	7	0.3	4	0.2
Not familiar with provincial parks facilities	5	0.2	1	0
Have own private cabin, property	4	0.2		
Lack of vehicle to tow RV	4	0.2		
Just didn't take the time to go	3	0.1	1	0
No companion to go with	3	0.1		
Children have grown up	2	0.1	1	0
Little kids	2	0.1		
Money problems	2	0.1	1	0
No car	2	0.1	1	0
Overregulated	2	0.1		
Lack of proper equipment	1	0		
Lack of public transportation	1	0		
Live in the country	1	0		
What I most enjoy is not at provincial parks	1	0		
Has family responsibilities			1	0
Visiting friends not parks			1	0
Other activities take priority			1	0
Total	73	3.2	18	0.8

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Q10. Other Education Completed

Education Level	Number of Respondents	% of Respondents
2 years university	1	0
Bible college	1	0
Business courses	1	0
Diploma program	3	0.1
Graduate school	4	0.2
Management and Financial Planning	1	0
Master's degree	9	0.4
Medical training	1	0
Music/art training	1	0
PhD	4	0.2
Postgraduate	5	0.2
Professional designation	6	0.3
Registered nurse	6	0.3
Some college	2	0.1
Some university	6	0.3
Trade certificate	2	0.1
<i>Sub-Total</i>	53	2.4
No response	2,201	97.6
Total	2,254	100.0

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Q11. City, Town of Residence

City, Town of Residence	Number of Respondents	% of Respondents
Airdrie	13	0.6
Athabasca	2	0.1
Barrhead	4	0.2
Beaumont	3	0.1
Bonnyville	2	0.1
Brooks	6	0.3
Calgary	633	28.1
Camrose	10	0.4
Canmore	14	0.6
Coaldale	4	0.2
Cochrane	10	0.4
Cold Lake	1	0
Devon	1	0
Drayton Valley	6	0.3
Edmonton	658	29.2
Edson	1	0
Fort McMurray	12	0.5
Fort Saskatchewan	12	0.5
Grande Prairie	18	0.8
High River	7	0.3
Hinton	6	0.3
Innisfail	11	0.5
Lacombe	9	0.4
Leduc	18	0.8
Lethbridge	234	10.4
Lloydminster	7	0.3
Medicine Hat	40	1.8
Morinville	7	0.3
Okotoks	8	0.4
Olds	6	0.3
Peace River	6	0.3
Ponoka	6	0.3
Red Deer	51	2.3
Red Deer County	1	0
Rocky Mountain House	5	0.2
Sherwood Park	46	2.0

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City, Town of Residence	Number of Respondents	% of Respondents
Spruce Grove	14	0.6
St. Albert	32	1.4
Stony Plain	11	0.5
Strathmore	4	0.2
Sylvan Lake	4	0.2
Taber	2	0.1
Vegreville	3	0.1
Vermilion	6	0.3
Wainwright	1	0
Westlock	2	0.1
Wetaskiwin	10	0.4
Whitecourt	2	0.1
Rural Alberta	142	6.3
No Response	143	6.3
Total	2,254	100.0

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Q12. Other Household Type

Household Type	Number of Respondents	% of Respondents
Couple with adult children	36	1.6
Couple with children + 1 or more related adults	4	0.2
Couple with grandchildren	4	0.2
Single parent family + 1 or more related adults	3	0.1
3 generation family	3	0.1
Couple with children + grandparents	2	0.1
Single parent family + 1 or more unrelated adults	2	0.1
Grandparent + grandchild	1	0
2 related + 1 unrelated adults	1	0
<i>Sub-Total</i>	56	2.5
No response	2,198	97.5
Total	2,254	100.0

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Q16. Other

(multiple responses allowed)

	Number of Respondents	% of Respondents
Canadian	58	2.6
European	5	0.2
Mixed race (unspecified)	3	0.1
Ukrainian	3	0.1
Scottish	3	0.1
Italian	3	0.1
Human	2	0.1
Dutch	2	0.1
French	2	0.1
Baltic	1	0
Irish	1	0
Hungarian	1	0
Visible minority	1	0
American	1	0
Yugoslavian	1	0
Fijian	1	0
Asian (Unspecified)	1	0
South American	1	0
Scandinavian	1	0
English	1	0
German	1	0
<i>Sub-Total</i>	93	4.1
No response	2,161	95.9
Total	2,254	100.0

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Additional Comments

(multiple responses allowed)

Comments	Number of Comments	% of Comments
Preserve parks and natural resources - trees/water/wild life	52	6.6
Park fees are too high	43	5.5
Love Alberta nature parks	42	5.3
Restrict ATV/off-road vehicles in parks	39	5.0
More parks needed	26	3.3
Parks and rec should be government-provided, not private	21	2.7
More areas for quads, dirt bikes, ski-doos	18	2.3
No commercial development in or adjacent to parks	17	2.2
Enjoy parks as often as possible	15	2.0
More and better campgrounds needed	13	1.7
\$5 for a small bundle of wood is outrageous	13	1.7
More funding for fitness facilities	13	1.7
Fortunate to have so many parks	12	1.5
Better maintenance of washroom facilities	12	1.5
Keep the parks free of crime	11	1.4
Need to maintain parks properly	11	1.4
Hire more parks security to make it safer from vandals, drunk	11	1.4
General healthy mind and body is the result of recreation	10	1.3
Biking paths/lanes in cities needed	10	1.3
More washroom facilities in parks, tourist areas, etc.	10	1.3
More money for trails and cross-country ski trails	9	1.1
Recreation should be available to everyone	9	1.1
Parks are very well taken care of	8	1.0
Activities/facilities in parks depend on size, location, etc	8	1.0
Bikes and motor sports pose danger to hikers, wilderness	8	1.0
No industrial development, oil and gas in parks	8	1.0
Enjoyed programs	8	1.0
Keep the parks clean	7	0.9
Easier reservations	7	0.9
Raising fees will reduce participation and benefits of rec.	6	0.8
Keep up good work	6	0.8
More money on recreation	6	0.8
Campers shouldn't be able to reserve spots in prov. Parks	6	0.8
More rest areas along highways	6	0.8
Not enough time to use facilities	6	0.8
Private operation resulted in degradation of parks	5	0.6
No fee if enter park on errand or short visit	5	0.6
More money on law enforcement in recreation areas	5	0.6
Increase provincial funding and support for the arts/culture	5	0.6
Keep dog walks and off-leash areas	5	0.6
Many leisure facilities are not wheelchair accessible	4	0.5
Parks shouldn't be only for the rich to enjoy	4	0.5

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Comments	Number of Comments	% of Comments
Penalize dog owners who don't pick after dogs	4	0.5
Level of service in parks deteriorated	4	0.5
Some questions in the survey can be misunderstood	4	0.5
Appreciate a chance to participate in survey	4	0.5
Eliminate user fees in parks for general public	4	0.5
No dog areas in parks should be allowed	4	0.5
Preservation of city parks is very important	4	0.5
More fitness facilities in Edmonton	4	0.5
B.C. parks are better maintained and free	4	0.5
No off-leash dogs in parks	4	0.5
Park users shall pay for all their activities	4	0.5
Grateful for recreational opportunities given by prov parks	4	0.5
Develop parks more	4	0.5
Fishing regulations are too strict	4	0.5
City should provide outdoor skating rinks, not community	4	0.5
More arenas for ice hockey	4	0.5
Need more areas open to hunting	4	0.5
Less noise	3	0.4
More accommodation for boats at lakes	3	0.4
Proud of outdoor and recreation facilities in Alberta	3	0.4
Too many drunks, beggars in municipal parks	3	0.4
Provincial Game officers abuse their power, drive away users	3	0.4
Parks should stay natural, wild	3	0.4
Courts, pools, playing fields must be free for children	3	0.4
More leisure centres in Lethbridge	3	0.4
Gyms and classes are too expensive	3	0.4
More free activities and resources needed	3	0.4
Cost of transportation to get to parks is too high	3	0.4
Free passes for low-income families and children	3	0.4
Logging destroys parks and nature	3	0.4
Flush toilets needed	3	0.4
Not enough picnic benches and areas in parks	3	0.4
Lower park fees for seniors and disabled	3	0.4
More off-leash areas for dogs	3	0.4
More indoor and outdoor facilities for seniors	3	0.4
Dogs should be more welcome in parks	3	0.4
No hunting, especially threatened species	3	0.4
Need more slow pitch diamonds	3	0.4
Parks should be open later in the season	3	0.4
Designers should consult handicapped about wheelchair access	2	0.3
Better roads to campgrounds	2	0.3
Campgrounds are very small and provide very little	2	0.3
Leisure centre passes should be cheaper	2	0.3
Lack of info and public awareness hinders recreation	2	0.3
Some campgrounds have too many restrictions	2	0.3

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Comments	Number of Comments	% of Comments
Keep the prices/user fees reasonable	2	0.3
Promote catch and release fish - many lakes are fished out	2	0.3
Fine person who registered for campsite for mess left behind	2	0.3
No alcohol in parks	2	0.3
Update or add new playground equipment	2	0.3
Hard to balance human use of parks and wild life	2	0.3
Parks and recreation enhance healthy lifestyle	2	0.3
Ban motor boats from lakes at provincial parks	2	0.3
Campground hosts abuse their power, ruin people's stay	2	0.3
Where is 'Alberta Advantage' in parks and protected areas	2	0.3
Alberta parks are treasure to be preserved	2	0.3
More undeveloped areas for camping	2	0.3
Nice restaurants and lounges in parks needed	2	0.3
Post info on leisure and recreation on-line	2	0.3
Fewer provincial parks are available each year	2	0.3
Golf courses in provincial parks should be public	2	0.3
More activities in provincial parks	2	0.3
More water parks for children	2	0.3
Grants to keep small towns/villages alive	2	0.3
Seasonal rentals of lots at Hilliard's Bay needed	2	0.3
Free or inexpensive badminton courts in parks needed	2	0.3
Small eating joints needed	2	0.3
More pools	2	0.3
Need more target shooting ranges	2	0.3
Provincial parks are often in terrible mess	1	0.1
Grateful for subsidizing recreation to low-income families	1	0.1
Don't use parks as fees don't include wood in most places	1	0.1
Not enough camp sites for RV/trailers	1	0.1
More sites need electric service - cold in evenings	1	0.1
Explain parks terminology - provincial, municipal, etc.	1	0.1
Process of getting campsite must be monitored by government	1	0.1
Stop building in the parks	1	0.1
Mosquito control at lakes & campsites needed	1	0.1
Shameful performance for rich province - poor parks maint.	1	0.1
No quads, motor bikes and motorized boats in parks	1	0.1
More of Alberta surplus be allocated to preservation, rec.	1	0.1
This survey is waste of time, paper and money	1	0.1
Don't sell out parks - think of future	1	0.1
Absence of car hinders recreation	1	0.1
Picnic areas should be paved for handicapped	1	0.1
Post instructions for emergency situations in all parks	1	0.1
Night security patrols on campgrounds needed	1	0.1
More curling facilities in Calgary needed	1	0.1
City-organized transport to parks on weekends needed	1	0.1
Against contracting park services/maintenance to private co.	1	0.1

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Comments	Number of Comments	% of Comments
Too many charges (water, wood, etc.)	1	0.1
Miss Roadside Camp Kitchens we used to have	1	0.1
Most activities are beyond our means	1	0.1
Spread out ATV and motorcycle areas	1	0.1
Use money from license fees on ATV trail maintenance	1	0.1
Provide drinking water, power, sewage at campsites	1	0.1
No private cottages along waterfront	1	0.1
No pesticides in parks	1	0.1
More trees and flowers in the parks	1	0.1
Upkeep of natural trails in parks for non-motorized use	1	0.1
Excellent trail system in Calgary	1	0.1
More new cycling trails, expand existing ones	1	0.1
No smoking on the beaches, in public areas	1	0.1
Would like to have free firewood	1	0.1
Continue to track-set cross-country ski trails in parks	1	0.1
Close fished out lakes until stock is replenished	1	0.1
Education on responsible use needed	1	0.1
More time to use shower, better gauges	1	0.1
More day activities for families	1	0.1
Too many parties on weekends in parks	1	0.1
Multiplex leisure centre in Lethbridge needed	1	0.1
Ensure equal access without discrimination, economic penalty	1	0.1
No more golf courses	1	0.1
Promote being active, using parks, etc.	1	0.1
Better maintenance of water parks	1	0.1
Better maintenance of bike trails in cities	1	0.1
Clear parks of vandals, drug users, the homeless, etc.	1	0.1
Well-lit trails needed	1	0.1
Paved trails in residential areas are good	1	0.1
User pays showering facilities in every park	1	0.1
More places to put dog waste	1	0.1
More diversity in programs, e.g. Arts, crafts, fencing, etc.	1	0.1
Should sell only Canadian made souvenirs	1	0.1
Total number of comments	788	100