



2000 Alberta Recreation Survey: *Red Deer Analysis*

In Partnership with:

Alberta Centre for Well-Being
Alberta Environment
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City of Lethbridge
City of Red Deer

Introduction and Methodology

The 2000 Alberta Recreation Survey is a co-operative effort between Alberta Community Development, the Alberta Centre for Well-Being, Alberta Environment, and the cities of Calgary, Edmonton, Lethbridge, and Red Deer. Alberta Community Development and the Alberta Centre for Well-Being were jointly responsible for the coordination and design of the study 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 sixth 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 social, creative, cultural, outdoor, and sports activities. The second section inquires about the respondents' three favorite activities, an activity they would like to start, and their involvement as a volunteer. Section three asks the respondents' opinions on a number of recreation and park activities and services. The final section requests demographic information about the 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. A consideration in stratifying was that approximately 10% of the sampled households should be from Lethbridge.

The data were collected by mail during May and June 2000. Surveys were mailed to the household sample on May 15, 2000. Two weeks after the first wave mail out a postcard reminder was sent to those households that had not responded. On June 16, 2000 another survey package was mailed out to those households that still had not responded. July 7, 2000 was the final due date for returned surveys.

Questionnaires were received from 2,719 households or 27.2% of the sample. The proportion of the total responses received from the City of Red Deer was 2.4% (n = 66). For more information about the survey results contact:

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Question No. 1 (a)

Please indicate the **Number of People in your household** who took part in each of the following leisure or recreational activities during the **PAST 12 MONTHS**. In the last column, please indicate whether **YOU** personally took part in that activity.

Activities (Ranked Ordered)	Participating Households		Participating Respondents		Participating Household Members
	Number	%	Number	%	Number
Walking for Pleasure	61	92.4	60	90.9	154
Gardening	54	81.8	45	68.1	98
Bicycling	50	75.8	44	66.7	117
Attending a Sports Event as a Spectator	47	71.2	46	69.7	117
Doing a Craft/Hobby	47	71.2	37	56.0	86
Attending a Fair or Festival	46	69.7	44	66.7	126
Overnight Camping	44	66.7	35	53.0	122
Visiting a Museum/Theatre/Art Gallery	41	62.1	39	59.1	108
Golf (other than driving range/mini-golf)	40	60.6	33	50.0	80
Playing Video/Computer Games	39	59.1	31	47.0	97
Picnicking (within a city)	35	53.0	35	53.0	94
Swimming (in pools)	35	53.0	23	34.8	97
Attending Educational Courses	34	51.5	29	43.9	59
Swimming (in lakes, rivers, ponds, etc.)	32	48.5	27	40.9	93
Ice Skating (not hockey)	30	45.5	20	30.3	72
Aerobics/Fitness/Aquasize	29	43.9	19	28.8	39
Picnicking (in the countryside)	26	39.4	26	39.4	83
Day Hiking	26	39.4	24	36.4	75
Dancing (social, folk, ballet, jazz, etc.)	26	39.4	23	34.9	53
Fishing	25	37.9	19	28.8	53
Weight Training	25	37.9	16	24.2	36
Playing Bingo, Casinos etc.	22	33.3	17	25.7	38
In-line Skating	22	33.3	12	18.1	45
Softball/Baseball	22	33.3	12	18.2	37
Taking Part in Drama, Music, etc.	22	33.3	12	18.2	36
Jogging/Running	21	31.8	12	18.2	35
Tobogganing/Sledding	20	30.3	14	21.2	58
Ice Hockey	19	28.8	7	10.6	24
Motor Boating	18	27.3	15	22.7	44
Downhill Skiing	18	27.3	12	18.2	40
Curling	15	22.7	10	15.2	22
Bowling/Lawn Bowling	14	21.2	11	16.7	34
Snowmobiling	14	21.2	9	13.6	31
Basketball	14	21.2	8	12.1	26
Water Skiing	13	19.7	9	13.6	25
Soccer	12	18.2	4	6.1	21
Birdwatching	11	16.7	11	16.7	24
Canoeing	11	16.7	9	13.7	25
Cross-country Skiing	11	16.7	8	12.1	18

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Activities (Ranked Ordered)	Participating Households		Participating Respondents		Participating Household Members
	Number	%	Number	%	Number
ATV/Off-Road Vehicles	10	15.2	7	10.6	21
Volleyball	10	15.2	7	10.6	16
Badminton	10	15.2	3	4.5	15
Mountain Climbing	9	13.6	8	12.1	23
Horseback/Trail Riding	9	13.6	7	10.6	16
Snowboarding	9	13.6	4	6.1	15
Mountain Biking (off road)	8	12.1	6	9.1	15
Tennis	8	12.1	5	7.6	16
Hunting	8	12.1	3	4.5	11
Table Tennis	7	10.6	6	9.1	18
Football	7	10.6	1	1.5	9
Overnight Backpacking	6	9.1	4	6.1	9
River Rafting	4	6.1	3	4.5	7
Archery	4	6.1	2	3.0	5
Judo/Karate	4	6.1	1	1.5	4
Gymnastics	4	6.1	0	0	6
Track and Field	4	6.1	0	0	5
Skateboarding	4	6.1	0	0	4
Racquetball	3	4.5	2	3.0	7
Shooting (trap/skeet/target)	3	4.5	2	3.0	5
Squash	3	4.5	2	3.0	4
Ringette	2	3.0	1	1.5	3
Motorized Trail Biking (i.e., dirt biking)	2	3.0	0	0	3
Sailing	1	1.5	1	1.5	2
Rugby	1	1.5	0	0	2
Sailboarding/Windsurfing	1	1.5	0	0	2
Orienteering	0	0	0	0	0
Triathlon	0	0	0	0	0
BMX Racing	0	0	0	0	0
Moto-cross	0	0	0	0	0

Question No. 1 (a) Part 2

Other activities in which household members participated.

Activities (Rank Ordered)	Participating Household Other Activities 1		Participating Household Other Activities 2	
	N	%	N	%
Performing Arts	1	1.5	0	0
Field/Floor Hockey	1	1.5	0	0
TV/Movies	1	1.5	0	0
Total	3	4.5	0	0

Question No. 1 (b)

Walking for pleasure is an important recreational activity. This question breaks down this activity into several types of walking. Please answer this question according to the instructions given in question 1 (a).

Activities (Rank Ordered)	Participating Households		Participating Respondents		Participating Household Members
	N	%	N	%	N
Walking on Streets	59	89.4	56	84.8	144
Walking on Trails	54	81.8	51	77.2	134
Walking a Pet	22	33.3	20	30.3	56
Walking as Transportation to Work, etc	24	36.4	19	28.8	45

Question No. 1 (c)

Cycling is a popular recreational activity. This question breaks down this activity into several types of cycling. Please answer this question according to the instructions given for question 1 (a).

Activities (Rank Ordered)	Participating Households		Participating Respondents		Participating Household Members
	N	%	N	%	N
Cycling on Trails	43	65.2	41	62.1	107
Cycling on Streets	40	60.6	36	54.5	97
Cycling as Transportation	14	21.2	11	16.7	26
Mountain Biking (Challenging Terrain)	6	9.1	3	4.6	8
Long Distance Touring	3	4.5	1	1.5	4

Question No. 2 (a)

Please **LIST** your **three (3)** favorite leisure or recreational activities.

Activities (Rank Ordered)	1st Favorite Activity		2nd Favorite Activity		3rd Favorite Activity	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Walking For Pleasure	15	22.7	9	13.6	4	6.1
Golf	7	10.6	5	7.6	3	4.5
Camping	5	7.6	4	6.1	5	7.6
Bicycling	4	6.1	9	13.6	6	9.1
Read Books/Magazines	3	4.5	0	0	1	1.5
Ice Hockey	3	4.5	0	0	0	0
TV/Movies	3	4.5	0	0	1	1.5
Fishing	2	3.0	3	4.5	2	3.0
Crafts/Hobbies	2	3.0	5	7.6	3	4.5
Swimming	2	3.0	2	3.0	2	3.0
Water Sports	1	1.5	1	1.5	0	0
Running/Jogging	1	1.5	0	0	1	1.5
Curling	1	1.5	0	0	2	3.0
Hiking/Backpacking	1	1.5	0	0	1	1.5
Gardening	1	1.5	1	1.5	3	4.5
Skiing/Downhill Skiing	1	1.5	1	1.5	0	0
Motorized Biking	1	1.5	0	0	0	0
Soccer	1	1.5	0	0	0	0
Weight Training	1	1.5	0	0	2	3.0
In-Line Skating	1	1.5	0	0	1	1.5
Dancing	0	0	0	0	3	4.5
Birdwatching	0	0	1	1.5	0	0

Question No. 2 (a)Please LIST your **three (3)** favorite leisure or recreational activities.

Activities (Rank Ordered)	1st Favorite Activity		2nd Favorite Activity		3rd Favorite Activity	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Computer/Video Activities	0	0	1	1.5	0	0
Performing Arts	0	0	3	4.5	1	1.5
Aerobics/Fitness/Aquasize	0	0	0	0	2	3.0
Horseback Riding	0	0	2	3.0	0	0
Attending as a Spectator	0	0	0	0	1	1.5
Gambling	0	0	2	3.0	0	0
Racquetball/Squash	0	0	1	1.5	0	0
Other Activities	0	0	1	1.5	0	0
Bowling	0	0	1	1.5	0	0
Snowmobiling	0	0	0	0	1	1.5
Games	0	0	0	0	1	1.5
Attending a Fair or Festival	0	0	0	0	1	1.5
Cross-Country Skiing	0	0	0	0	1	1.5
Tennis	0	0	0	0	2	3.0
Softball/Baseball	0	0	1	1.5	0	0
Picnicking	0	0	2	3.0	0	0
Total	56	84.8	55	83.3	50	75.8

Question No. 2 (a) Part 2

Please indicate how many times you participated in EACH activity during the PAST 12 MONTHS.

First Favorite Activity	NUMBER OF TIMES ACTIVITY WAS PERFORMED						Total N	%
	1 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 10	11 - 30	31 - 50	51 +		
Walking For Pleasure				1	4	10	15	22.7
Golf				2	5		7	10.6
Camping		1	1	2	1		5	7.6
Bicycling		1		1	2		4	6.1
Read Books/Magazines						3	3	4.5
Ice Hockey					2	1	3	4.5
TV/Movies						3	3	4.5
Fishing			1			1	2	3.0
Crafts/Hobbies				1		1	2	3.0
Swimming				2			2	3.0
Water Sports						1	1	1.5
Running/Jogging					1		1	1.5
Curling						1	1	1.5
Hiking/Backpacking			1				1	1.5
Gardening			1				1	1.5
Skiing/Downhill Skiing		1					1	1.5
Motorized Biking						1	1	1.5
Soccer						1	1	1.5
Weight Training						1	1	1.5
In-Line Skating					1		1	1.5
Total		3	4	9	16	24	56	84.8

Question No. 2 (b)

People have many reasons for taking part in leisure activities. Based on your favorite leisure activity, how **IMPORTANT** are **EACH** of the following reasons to you? (Please circle **ONE** number for **EACH**.)

Reasons for Taking Part (Ranked in Order of "Very Important")	NOT IMPORTANT		SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT		IMPORTANT		VERY IMPORTANT	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
For Pleasure	3	4.5	2	3.0	20	30.3	36	54.5
For Physical Health/Exercise	7	10.6	5	7.6	15	22.7	35	53.0
To Relax	2	3.0	7	10.6	22	33.3	32	48.5
To Be With Family	8	12.1	10	15.2	13	19.7	30	45.5
To Enjoy Nature	8	12.1	5	7.6	20	30.3	29	43.9
To Do Something Different From Work	10	15.2	5	7.6	22	33.3	24	36.4
To Do Things With Friends	5	7.6	11	16.7	22	33.3	23	34.8
For A Challenge	8	12.1	17	25.8	15	22.7	21	31.8
To Improve My Skills or Knowledge	8	12.1	13	19.7	24	36.4	17	25.8
To Learn New Skills and Abilities	11	16.7	5	7.6	27	40.9	17	25.8
For Excitement	8	12.1	10	15.2	27	40.9	16	24.2
To Keep Busy	11	16.7	17	25.8	19	28.8	13	19.7
To Be Alone	27	40.9	19	28.8	7	10.6	8	12.1
To Meet New People	14	21.2	15	22.7	24	36.4	7	10.6
To Be Creative	15	22.7	28	42.4	11	16.7	5	7.6
To Compete With Others	42	63.6	10	15.2	5	7.6	4	6.1
Because I'm Good At It	27	40.9	20	30.3	10	15.2	4	6.1
To Help Community	24	36.4	23	34.8	8	12.1	4	6.1
To Be Away From Family	41	62.1	13	19.7	3	4.5	4	6.1
To Show Others I Can Do It	41	62.1	13	19.7	6	9.1	2	3.0

Question No. 3 (a)

Is there any leisure or recreational activity that you **DO NOT** take part in now, but you **WOULD LIKE** to start doing regularly? (Please check **ONE** box only.)

Desire An Activity	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
No	35	53.0
Yes	28	42.4
Did Not Respond	3	4.5

Question No. 3 (b)

Please specify which leisure or recreational activity you would **MOST LIKE TO START**. (Name **ONE** activity only.)

Activity	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Martial Arts	4	6.1
Running/Jogging	2	3.0
Tennis	2	3.0
Swimming	2	3.0
Skiing/Downhill Skiing	2	3.0
Bicycling	1	1.5
Aerobics/Fitness/Aquasize	1	1.5
Boating	1	1.5
Water Sports	1	1.5
Performing Arts	1	1.5
Fishing	1	1.5
Golf	1	1.5
Camping	1	1.5
Curling	1	1.5

Question No. 3 (b)

Please specify which leisure or recreational activity you would **MOST LIKE TO START**. (Name **ONE** activity only.)

Activity	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Weight Training	1	1.5
Bowling	1	1.5
In-Line Skating	1	1.5
Horseback Riding	1	1.5
Snowmobiling	1	1.5
Cross-Country Skiing	1	1.5
Table Games	1	1.5
Total	28	42.4

Question No. 3 (c)

People have many reasons for **NOT** taking part in a leisure or recreational activity. Based on the activity you listed in question 3 (b), how **IMPORTANT** are **EACH** of the following reasons for not starting this activity. (Please circle **ONE** number for **EACH**.)

Reasons for Not Taking Part (Ranked in Order of "Very Important")	NOT IMPORTANT		SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT		IMPORTANT		VERY IMPORTANT	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	Cost Of Equipment/Materials/Supplies	10	15.2	6	9.1	4	6.1	8
Admission Fees/Charges	9	13.6	5	7.6	6	9.1	7	10.6
Too Busy With Work	11	16.7	3	4.5	7	10.6	7	10.6
Too Busy With Family	10	15.2	5	7.6	7	10.6	5	7.6
No Opportunity To Do It Near Home	17	25.8	4	6.1	3	4.5	3	4.5
Cost Of Transportation	19	28.8	3	4.5	2	3.0	3	4.5
Facilities Overcrowded	11	16.7	9	13.6	6	9.1	1	1.5
Facilities Poorly Kept/Maintained	17	25.8	5	7.6	4	6.1	1	1.5
Don't Know Where To Go	22	33.3	2	3.0	2	3.0	1	1.5
Don't Have the Physical Abilities	21	31.8	3	4.5	2	3.0	1	1.5
Facility Not Physically Convenient To Use	21	31.8	5	7.6	0	0	1	1.5
Lack Of Transportation	24	36.4	1	1.5	2	3.0	0	0
Physically Unable To Take Part	26	39.4	1	1.5	0	0	0	0
Not At Ease In Social Situations	22	33.3	2	3.0	3	4.5	0	0

Question No. 4 (a)

In 1998, Health Canada released Canada's Physical Activity Guide to Healthy Active Living. Are you aware of this guide?

	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
No	43	65.2
Yes	21	31.8
Did Not Respond	2	3.0

Question No. 4 (b)

Have you used the guide?

	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
No	13	19.7
Yes	8	12.1

Question No. 5 (a)

Have you done volunteer work connected with culture, recreation, sports or parks in the **PAST 12 MONTHS?** (Please check **ONE** only.)

	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Yes	34	51.5
No	29	43.9
Did Not Respond	3	4.5

Question No. 5 (b)

With what kind of group did you work as a volunteer? (Please check **ALL** boxes that apply.)

Group	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Local Sport Team or Club	16	24.2
School	14	21.2
Church	14	21.2
Special Sport/Recreation Event	9	13.6
Community League or Association	6	9.1
Service Club	6	9.1
Other	6	9.1
Youth Group	3	4.5
Conservation, Parks, Ecology, etc.	2	3.0
Recreation or Parks Board	2	3.0
Cultural Group	1	1.5

Question No. 5 (b) Con't

Other volunteer groups specified.

Group	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Symphony Orchestra, Jazz, etc.	1	1.5
American Horse Assn	1	1.5
Seniors Centre/Club	1	1.5
Canadian Health Organizations	1	1.5
Theatre/Art Group	1	1.5
Women's/Homeless Shelter	1	1.5
Total	6	9.1

Question No. 5 (c)

What job(s) did you do as a volunteer? (Please check **ALL** boxes that apply.)

Job	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Volunteer Worker	28	42.4
Committee Member	18	27.3
Coach/Manager/Instructor	11	16.7
Executive	8	12.1
Other	1	1.5

Question No. 5 (c) con't

Other volunteer job(s) specified.

Job	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Receptionist	1	1.5

Question No. 5 (d)

How many hours in an average week did you spend doing volunteer work during the **PAST 12 MONTHS?**
(Please check **ONE** box only.)

Time Spent	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
1 - 5 Hours	17	25.8
6 - 10 Hours	9	13.6
11 - 15 Hours	2	3.0
More Than 15 Hours	6	9.1
Total	34	51.5

Question No. 6

Recreation and parks can provide benefits to communities. Below are a few benefits that some Albertans feel they receive from having recreation in their community. For each benefit, please rate **how important** you think they are.

Benefits (Ranked in Order of "Very Important")	NOT IMPORTANT		SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT		IMPORTANT		VERY IMPORTANT	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	Opportunities For Families To Be Together	0	0	4	6.1	15	22.7	45
Preserves Alberta Plants, Animals, etc.	0	0	2	3.0	17	25.8	45	68.2
Opportunities For Children/Youth In a Variety Of Activities	1	1.5	2	3.0	17	25.8	44	66.7
Improves Quality Of Life	0	0	3	4.5	18	27.3	43	65.2
Creates Partnerships/Community Spirit	0	0	14	21.2	22	33.3	28	42.4
Opportunity To Contribute To Community	2	3.0	17	25.8	21	31.8	24	36.4
Contributes To Economy Of Community	2	3.0	17	25.8	22	33.3	23	34.8

Question No. 7 (a)

On the average, Albertans pay about \$103.00 per person per year on municipal recreation and parks services. The amount you actually pay may be more or less, but \$103.00 is the average. Do you feel your recreation and park services are worth \$103.00 per person each year?

	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Amount Is Reasonable	58	87.9
Amount Is Too Low	5	7.6
Amount Is Too High	1	1.5
Did Not Respond	2	3.0
Total	66	100.0

Question No. 7 (b)

If you think the amount is too high, how much would you allocate per person per year?

Yearly Fee (\$)	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
50	1	1.5

Question No. 7 (c)

How should recreation services and public parks be supported?

	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Through A Combination Of Taxes And User Fees	57	86.4
Mainly Through Taxes	4	6.1
Mainly Through User Fees	3	4.5
Other	1	1.5

Question No. 7 (c) Part 2

Other sources of support specified.

Other Sources	N	% OF RESPONDENTS
Government	1	1.5

Question No. 8 (a)Did you visit an **Alberta Provincial Park** in the last 12 months? Provincial parks are managed by the government and **NOT** managed by municipal or federal agencies.

	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Yes	37	56.1
No	24	36.4
Don't Know	4	6.1
Did Not Respond	1	1.5
Total	66	100.0

Question No. 8 (b)Which **Alberta Provincial Parks** did you visit?

	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Banff	9	13.6
Jasper	6	9.1
Crimson Lake	5	7.6
Kananaskis Country	5	7.6
Sylvan Lake	5	7.6
Peter Lougheed	4	6.1
Red Lodge	4	6.1
Aspen Beach	3	4.5
Dry Island Buffalo Jump	2	3.0
Gull Lake	2	3.0
Jarvis Bay	2	3.0
Waterton	2	3.0
A lot of them	1	1.5
Cold Lake	1	1.5
Cross Lake	1	1.5
Dinosaur	1	1.5
Dillberry Lake	1	1.5
Elk Island	1	1.5
Fish Creek	1	1.5
Kootenay Plains	1	1.5
Lesser Slave Lake	1	1.5
Pigeon Lake	1	1.5
Swan Lake	1	1.5
Twin Lakes	1	1.5
Writing-On-Stone	1	1.5
Unknown	1	1.5
Total	63	95.5

Question No. 8 (c)Which of the following information sources did you use? (Please check **ALL** boxes that apply.)

Information Sources	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Recommendations From Others	23	34.8
Publications	23	34.8
Visitor Information Centres	18	27.3
Internet	15	22.7
Other	6	9.1
Alberta Parks and Protected Area Offices	3	4.5
Travel Alberta's 1-800 Toll Free Line	2	3.0

Question No. 8 (c) Part 2

Other sources of information specified.

Other Sources	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
AMA	2	3.0
Past Experience/Knowledge	1	1.5
Conference For Work	1	1.5
Maps	1	1.5
Radio	1	1.5
Total	6	9.1

Question No. 8 (d)

The following is a list of reasons why you might not have visited an **Alberta Provincial Park** during the last 12 months. For each one, please indicate how important each is in your decision not to visit an **Alberta Provincial Park** during the past 12 months. (Please circle **ONE** number for **EACH**).

Reasons for not Visiting (Ranked in Order of "Very Important")	NOT IMPORTANT		SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT		IMPORTANT		VERY IMPORTANT	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	Lack Of Time	12	18.2	10	15.2	17	25.8	16
Prefer National Parks	28	42.4	9	13.6	12	18.2	6	9.1
Fear Of Crime, Safety, Security	38	57.6	8	12.1	3	4.5	4	6.1
Transportation/Equipment Costs Too Much	30	45.5	12	18.2	8	12.1	4	6.1
Poor Health	44	66.7	4	6.1	1	1.5	3	4.5
Prefer Private Parks/Campgrounds	30	45.5	8	12.1	11	16.7	3	4.5
Prefer Camping In Undeveloped Areas	29	43.9	7	10.6	14	21.2	3	4.5
Costs Of Camping Too High	27	40.9	11	16.7	11	16.7	3	4.5
Private Operation Of Provincial Parks Campgrounds	30	45.5	13	19.7	6	9.1	3	4.5
Not Interested in Outdoor Recreation Activities/Parks	44	66.7	2	3.0	3	4.5	2	3.0
Parks Are Too Crowded	22	33.3	17	25.8	13	19.7	2	3.0
Noisy Activities Of Others	21	31.8	12	18.2	15	22.7	2	3.0
Age	40	60.6	5	7.6	2	3.0	2	3.0
Prefer Municipal Parks	27	40.9	13	19.7	10	15.2	2	3.0
Lack Of Information	33	50.0	10	15.2	6	9.1	2	3.0
Unaware Of Opportunities In Parks	30	45.5	12	18.2	8	12.1	2	3.0
Too Many Restrictive Regulations	36	54.5	8	12.1	6	9.1	2	3.0
Facilities Poorly Kept/Maintained	32	48.5	16	24.2	4	6.1	1	1.5
Lack Of Interpretative Programs	42	63.6	8	12.1	1	1.5	1	1.5
Lack Of Handicapped Accessible Facilities	46	69.7	4	6.1	1	1.5	1	1.5
Lack Of Things To Do	45	68.2	6	9.1	1	1.5	1	1.5

Question No. 8 (d)

The following is a list of reasons why you might not have visited an **Alberta Provincial Park** during the last 12 months. For each one, please indicate how important each is in your decision not to visit an **Alberta Provincial Park** during the past 12 months. (Please circle **ONE** number for **EACH**).

Reasons for not Visiting (Ranked in Order of "Very Important")	NOT IMPORTANT		SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT		IMPORTANT		VERY IMPORTANT	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	Parks Are Too Far Away	30	45.5	18	27.3	4	6.1	0
Lack Of RV Campsites	45	68.2	6	9.1	2	3.0	0	0

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Other reasons given for not visiting an **Alberta Provincial Park** during the past 12 months.

Other Reason	VERY IMPORTANT
Gave Up/Don't Like Camping	1
Total	1

Question No. 9 (a)

In your opinion, should the following activities or services be allowed in **provincial parks**? (Please circle **ONE** number for **EACH**.)

Activities/Services	YES		NO		NO OPINION	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Grocery Stores/Laundromats	51	77.3	12	18.2	1	1.5
Mountain Biking	51	77.3	6	9.1	6	9.1
Cross-Country Ski Trails	49	74.2	5	7.6	8	12.1
Playing Fields (baseball, soccer, etc.)	48	72.7	12	18.2	3	4.5
Gas Stations	48	72.7	12	18.2	3	4.5
Courts (tennis, volleyball, etc.)	47	71.2	14	21.2	3	4.5
Horse Rentals	45	68.2	11	16.7	8	12.1
Restaurants/Lounges	37	56.1	19	28.8	5	7.6
Primitive Rental Cabins	33	50.0	20	30.3	9	13.6
Hostels/Dormitories	30	45.5	20	30.3	9	13.6
Golf Courses	30	45.5	24	36.4	8	12.1
Resorts	27	40.9	27	40.9	7	10.6
Downhill Ski Areas	27	40.9	25	37.9	10	15.2
Hotels/Motels	25	38.9	30	45.5	6	9.1
Snowmobiling	24	36.4	32	48.5	6	9.1
Private Cottages	19	28.8	35	53.0	5	7.6
Motorized Off-Road Vehicles (i.e., quads)	16	24.2	41	62.1	5	7.6
Hunting	11	16.7	48	72.7	4	6.1

Question No. 9 (b)

In your opinion, should the following activities or services be allowed in **municipal parks and recreation areas?** (Please circle **ONE** number for **EACH**.)

Activities/Services	YES		NO		NO OPINION	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Picnic Areas	63	95.5	1	1.5	0	0
Tents/Campgrounds	58	87.9	3	4.5	3	4.5
Playing Fields (baseball, soccer, etc.)	51	77.3	6	9.1	6	9.1
Courts (tennis, volleyball, etc.)	50	75.8	7	10.6	7	10.6
Mountain Biking	49	74.2	8	12.1	6	9.1
Cross-Country Ski Trails	47	71.2	7	10.6	9	13.6
Restaurants/Snack Bars	46	69.7	11	16.7	4	6.1
Horse Rentals	44	66.7	13	19.7	7	10.6
Golf Courses	35	53.0	21	31.8	7	10.6
Downhill Ski Areas	35	53.0	19	28.8	9	13.6
Hostels/Dormitories	26	39.4	25	37.9	12	18.2
Snowmobiling	20	30.3	37	56.1	5	7.6
Motorized Off-Road Vehicles(i.e., quads)	17	25.8	39	59.1	6	9.1

Question No. 10

What is your gender?

Gender	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Male	36	54.5
Female	30	45.5
Total	66	100.0

Question No. 11

What year were you born? (2000-Year Born = Age)

Age Category	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
18-25	8	12.1
26-35	9	13.6
36-45	15	22.7
46-55	16	24.2
56-65	8	12.1
66-75	5	7.6
Did Not Respond	5	7.6
Total	66	100.0

Question No. 12

What is the **HIGHEST** level of education **YOU** have completed? (Please check **ONE** box only.)

Education Level	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Elementary, Junior/Senior High School	19	28.8
University	18	27.3
Technical Or Vocational Program	15	22.7
College	11	16.7
Other	2	3.0
Did Not Respond	1	1.5
Total	66	100.0

Question No. 12 Part 2

Other education mentioned.

Education Level	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
University Correspondence Course	1	1.5
Some College	1	1.5
Total	2	3.0

Question No. 13 (a)

In what village, town or city do you live?

	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Red Deer	66	2.4

Question No. 14Which of the following describes your household? (Please check **ONE** box only.)

	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Couple With Children	27	40.9
Couple With No Children	26	39.4
Single Person	6	9.1
Single Parent Family	4	6.1
Other	2	3.0
Two Or More Related Adults	1	1.5
Total	66	100.0

Question No. 14 Part 2

Other household arrangements mentioned.

	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Couple With Kids + 1 Related Adult	1	1.5
Couple With Children & Grandchildren	1	1.5
Total	2	3.0

Question No. 15How many members of your household are in the following age group? Please specify the **NUMBER OF PEOPLE** in each **AGE GROUP**.

	<5		5-9		10-14		15-19		20-29		30-49		50-64		65+	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	7	10.6	8	12.1	5	7.6	8	12.1	13	19.7	17	25.8	10	15.2	4	6.1
2	1	1.5	2	3.0	2	3.0	5	7.6	5	7.6	24	36.4	13	19.7	4	6.1
3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3.0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Question No. 16 (a)How many people from your household received an income during the **PAST 12 MONTHS**? Please specify the **NUMBER OF PEOPLE**.

Number of People	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
1	17	25.8
2	31	47.0
3	8	12.1
4	5	7.6
5	1	1.5
Did Not Respond	4	6.1
Total	66	100.0

Question No. 16 (b)

Approximately, what was the **TOTAL AMOUNT OF INCOME** that you and members of your household received during the **PAST 12 MONTHS?** (Please check **ONE** box only.)

Total Income Level	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Less than \$10,000	0	0
\$10,001 - \$30,000	7	10.6
\$30,001 - \$50,000	18	27.3
\$50,001 - \$70,000	15	22.7
\$70,001 - \$90,000	10	15.2
\$90,001 or more	9	13.6
Did Not Respond	7	10.6
Total	66	100.0

Question No. 17 (a)

In order to determine if recreation participants reflect the cultural diversity of Alberta, please check which background applies to you.

Background	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
White	63	95.5
Filipino	1	1.5
Other	2	3.0
Total	66	100.0

Question No. 17 (a) Part 2

Other background specified.

Background	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Half-White/Half-Japanese	1	1.5
Metis	1	1.5
Total	2	3.0

Question No. 17 (b)

Please provide us with the language(s) you speak with your family at home.

Languages Spoken	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
English	66	100.0
French	3	4.5
Spanish	1	1.5
Tagalog	1	1.5
Other	1	1.5

Question No. 17 (b) Part 2

Other language(s) specified.

Languages Spoken	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Danish	1	1.5

Additional Information

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about parks and recreation? If so, please use this space for that purpose.

Comments 1	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Too Expensive/Don't Increase Fees	4	6.1
Keep Up Great Job	2	3.0
Stop Privatization/Commercialization	2	3.0
Lack Of Roadside Facilities	1	1.5
Preserve Parks & Wildlife For Future	1	1.5
Poor Fishing In Lakes	1	1.5
More Funds Needed	1	1.5
Too Many Hunting/Fishing Restrictions	1	1.5
Total	13	19.7

**Additional Information –
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Is there anything else you would like to tell us about parks and recreation? If so, please use this space for that purpose.

Comments 2	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
More Help For Low-Income People	1	1.5
No "Over-Development" In Parks	1	1.5
Service Level Deteriorated	1	1.5
Include Cost Of Fire Wood In Camp Fees	1	1.5
Encourage People To Use Parks, etc.	1	1.5
Keep Everything Clean	1	1.5
More Public Involvement In Decisions	1	1.5
Total	7	10.6

**Additional Information -
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Is there anything else you would like to tell us about parks and recreation? If so, please use this space for that purpose.

Comments 3	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Service Level Deteriorated	1	1.5
Stop Privatization/Commercialization	1	1.5
Total	2	3.0