



# 2000 **Alberta Recreation Survey Summary of Results**

In Partnership with:

Alberta Centre for Well-Being Alberta Environment City of Calgary City of Edmonton 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 parks 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 proportions of the total responses received from the sponsoring municipalities were: Calgary (31.6%), Edmonton (29.5%), Lethbridge (7.2%), and Red Deer (2.4%).

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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)	Participati Househol		Participati Responde		Participating Household Members	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	
Walking for Pleasure	2,482	91.3	2,410	88.7	4,993	
Gardening	2,037	74.9	1,818	66.8	3,754	
Visiting a Museum/Theatre/Art Gallery	1,944	71.5	1,817	66.8	4,582	
Doing a Craft/Hobby	1,846	67.9	1,564	57.1	3,576	
Attending a Sports Event as a Spectator	1,693	62.3	1,566	57.6	4,202	
Bicycling	1,628	59.9	1,308	48.1	3,787	
Attending a Fair or Festival	1,621	59.6	1,556	57.2	4,246	
Swimming (in pools)	1,495	55.0	1,138	41.9	3,734	
Playing Video/Computer Games	1,465	53.9	1,009	37.1	3,236	
Overnight Camping	1,294	47.6	1,158	42.6	3,436	
Attending Educational Courses	1,273	46.8	1,000	36.8	2,165	
Golf (other than driving range/mini-golf)	1,266	46.6	1,039	38.3	2,376	
Picnicking (in the countryside)	1,104	40.6	1,063	39.1	3,180	
Day Hiking	1,041	38.3	955	35.1	2,495	
Aerobics/Fitness/Aquasize	976	35.9	694	25.5	1,469	
Taking Part in Drama, Music, etc.	972	35.7	608	22.3	1,805	
Picnicking (within a city)	972	35.7	909	33.4	2,908	
Swimming (in lakes, rivers, ponds, etc.)	921	33.9	769	28.3	2,494	
Weight Training	919	33.8	679	25.0	1,354	
Dancing (social, folk, ballet, jazz, etc.)	918	33.8	733	27.0	1,817	
Ice Skating (not hockey)	916	33.7	642	23.6	2,235	
Jogging/Running	893	32.8	640	23.5	1,411	
Fishing	857	31.5	649	23.8	1,737	
Downhill Skiing	804	29.6	542	19.9	1,702	
Tobogganing/Sledding	760	28.0	492	18.1	2,015	
In-line Skating	712	26.2	350	12.9	1,346	
Soccer	625	23.0	245	9.0	1,125	
Bowling/Lawn Bowling	621	22.8	498	18.3	1,455	
Softball/Baseball	612	22.5	377	13.9	1,097	
Basketball	607	22.3	292	10.7	1,163	
Playing Bingo, Casinos etc.	588	21.6	492	18.1	993	
Motor Boating	566	20.8	510	18.7	1,560	
Birdwatching	507	18.6	462	16.9	1,016	
Mountain Biking (off road)	492	18.1	392	14.4	928	
Ice Hockey	490	18.0	222	8.1	722	
Cross-country Skiing	454	16.7	385	14.2	852	
Volleyball	445	16.4	214	7.9	704	
Canoeing	391	14.4	314	11.6	840	
Badminton	357	13.1	175	6.4	655	

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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)	Participati Househol		Participati Responder		Participating Household Members	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	
Snowboarding	357	13.1	101	3.7	517	
Curling	356	13.1	268	9.9	539	
Tennis	350	12.9	236	8.7	665	
Horseback/Trail Riding	343	12.6	216	7.9	685	
Water Skiing	336	12.4	213	7.9	694	
ATV/Off Road Vehicles	271	10.0	208	7.7	573	
Table Tennis	271	10.0	209	7.7	566	
Track and Field	264	9.7	41	1.5	415	
Overnight Backpacking	257	9.5	184	6.8	449	
Mountain Climbing	256	9.4	206	7.6	485	
Hunting	254	9.3	168	6.3	385	
Football	247	9.1	122	4.5	368	
Snowmobiling	246	9.0	176	6.4	551	
Skateboarding	239	8.8	35	1.3	335	
Gymnastics	217	8.0	31	1.1	320	
Squash	183	6.7	116	4.2	267	
Racquetball	150	5.5	90	3.3	215	
River Rafting	143	5.3	115	4.3	278	
Judo/Karate	142	5.2	66	2.4	194	
Shooting (trap/skeet/target)	134	4.9	110	4.0	209	
Motorized Trail Biking (i.e., dirt biking)	125	4.6	76	2.8	234	
Archery	113	4.2	65	2.4	176	
Sailing	98	3.6	76	2.8	197	
Orienteering	75	2.8	54	2.0	135	
Rugby	74	2.7	17	0.6	82	
Ringette	47	1.7	14	0.5	60	
Sailboarding/Windsurfing	40	1.5	29	1.1	66	
Triathlon	38	1.4	18	0.7	53	
BMX Racing	23	0.8	3	0.1	31	
Moto-cross	11	0.4	5	0.2	12	

#### Question No. 1 (a) Part 2

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Activities (Rank Ordered)	Participating F Other Activ			Participating Household Other Activities 2		
	N	%	N	%		
Entertain/Visit	23	0.8	2	0.1		
Performing Arts	22	0.8	3	0.1		
Other Out-of-Home Activities	18	0.7	2	0.1		
Games	16	0.6	0	0		
Read Books/Magazines	10	0.4	1	0		
Field/Floor Hockey	9	0.3	0	0		
Water Sports	7	0.3	1	0		
Volunteering	6	0.2	0	0		
TV/Movies	6	0.2	1	0		
Aerial Activities	5	0.2	0	0		
Wall/Ice Climbing	5	0.2	0	0		
Kayaking/Rowing	4	0.1	3	0.1		
Rodeo	4	0.1	0	0		
Table Games	4	0.1	3	0.1		
Snowshoeing	4	0.1	1	0		
Travel/Vacation	3	0.1	0	0		
Creative Activities	3	0.1	1	0		
Handball	2	0.1	0	0		
Fencing	2	0.1	0	0		
Horseshoeing	1	0	1	0		
Computer Activities	11	0	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 questions according to the instructions given in question 1

Activities (Rank Ordered)	Participat Househo	•	Participat Responde	Participating Household Members	
	N	%	N	%	N
Walking on Streets	2218	81.6	2118	77.9	5248
Walking on Trails	1786	65.7	1725	63.5	4220
Walking as Transportation to Work, etc	1085	39.9	930	34.2	2156
Walking a Pet	913	33.6	837	30.8	2185

# 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		
	N	%	N	%	N	
Cycling on Streets	1460	53.7	1159	42.6	3282	
Cycling on Trails	1146	42.1	976	35.9	2526	
Cycling as Transportation	660	24.3	436	16.1	1120	
Mountain Biking (challenging terrain)	347	12.8	257	9.5	573	
Long Distance Touring	104	3.8	71	2.6	150	

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(Rank Ordered)	Activit		Activity		Activity	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Walking For Pleasure	447	16.4	333	12.2	230	8.5
Golf	233	8.6	152	5.6	93	3.4
Camping	197	7.2	134	4.9	124	4.6
Bicycling	120	4.4	209	7.7	197	7.2
Crafts/Hobbies	95	3.5	89	3.3	76	2.8
Gardening	77	2.8	105	3.9	115	4.2
Swimming	75	2.8	90	3.3	87	3.2
Read Books/Magazines	70	2.6	51	1.9	54	2.0
Hiking/Backpacking	69	2.5	94	3.5	78	2.9
Fishing	68	2.5	75	2.8	51	1.9
Running/Jogging	64	2.4	43	1.6	33	1.2
Skiing/Downhill Skiing	62	2.3	70	2.6	36	1.3
Performing Arts	59	2.2	66	2.4	66	2.4
Ice Hockey	58	2.1	30	1.1	14	0.5
Aerobics/Fitness/Aquasize	49	1.8	57	2.1	52	1.9
Softball/Baseball	40	1.5	36	1.3	26	1.0
Curling	37	1.4	37	1.4	27	1.0
Soccer	34	1.3	15	0.6	21	9.0
Dancing	30	1.1	20	0.7	24	0.9
Hunting/Shooting	27	1.0	32	1.2	26	1.0
TV/Movies	27	1.0	29	1.1	47	1.7
Weight Training	26	1.0	40	1.5	29	1.1
Bowling	21	0.8	26	1.0	13	0.5
In-Line Skating	20	0.7	24	0.9	30	1.1
Computer/Video Activities	18	0.7	31	1.1	23	9.0
Games	18	0.7	19	0.7	12	0.4
Attending as a Spectator	17	0.6	13	0.5	31	1.1
Boating	17	0.6	24	0.9	24	0.9
Basketball	17	0.6	12	0.4	6	0.2
Horseback Riding	16	0.6	14	0.5	10	0.4
Mountain Biking (off-road)	16	0.6	13	0.5	15	0.6
Racquetball/Squash	16	0.6	8	0.3	12	0.4
Snowboarding	15	0.6	8	0.3	2	0.1
Other Activities	14	0.5	17	0.6	11	0.4
Martial Arts	14	0.5	4	0.1	10	0.4
Travel/Vacation	13	0.5	16	0.6	17	0.6
Water Sports	12	0.4	10	0.4	12	0.4
ATV/Off-Road Vehicles	12	0.4	7	0.3	18	0.7
Snowmobiling	12	0.4	9	0.3	11	0.4
Cross-Country Skiing	12	0.4	21	8.0	27	1.0
Tennis	12	0.4	17	0.6	18	0.7
Gambling	11	0.4	12	0.4	11	0.4
Motorized Biking	10	0.4	6	0.2	7	0.3
Canoe/Kayak/Row/Rafting	9	0.3	15	0.6	19	0.7
Entertain/Visit	9	0.3	11	0.4	18	0.7
Birdwatching	8	0.3	9	0.3	13	0.5
Mountain Climbing	8	0.3	8	0.3	3	0.1

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	N	%	N	%	N	%		
Volleyball	7	0.3	15	0.6	12	0.4		
Picnicking	7	0.3	17	0.6	23	0.8		
Creative Activities	7	0.3	12	0.4	9	0.3		
Ice Skating	6	0.2	18	0.7	20	0.7		
Attending A Fair Or Festival	6	0.2	4	0.1	9	0.3		
Volunteering	6	0.2	4	0.1	8	0.3		
Driving For Pleasure	4	0.1	4	0.1	6	0.2		
Badminton	4	0.1	2	0.1	2	0.1		
Photography	3	0.1	4	0.1	9	0.3		
Aerial Activities	3	0.1	3	0.1	1	0		
Attending Classes/Courses	3	0.1	2	0.1	3	0.1		
Ball Hockey	3	0.1	1	0	0	0		
Table Games	3	0.1	4	0.1	5	0.2		
Rodeo	2	0.1	1	0	1	0		
Football	2	0.1	4	0.1	3	0.1		
Rugby	2	0.1	0	0	1	0		
Triathlon	2	0.1	0	0	1	0		
Gymnastics	2	0.1	0	0	2	0.1		
Dining Out	2	0.1	7	0.3	4	0.1		
Tobogganing/Sledding	1	0	2	0.1	3	0.1		
Archery	1	0	0	0	1	0		
BMX Racing	1	0	0	0	0	0		
Ringette	1	0	4	0.1	0	0		
Track and Field	1	0	0	0	0	0		
Horseshoeing	0	0	0	0	2	0.1		
Skateboarding	0	0	1	0	0	0		

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Please indicate how many times you participated in EACH activity during the PAST 12 MONTHS.								
First Favorite Activity	NU	MBER (	OF TIM	ES ACTI	VITY WAS	S PERF	ORMED	
	1 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 10	11 - 30	31 - 50	51 + T	otal N	%
Walking For Pleasure		4	16	54	81	289	444	16.3
Golf	3	12	25	90	57	46	233	8.6
Camping	14	43	67	57	9	5	195	7.2
Bicycling	3	4	9	30	30	42	118	4.3
Crafts/Hobbies		1	6	11	23	53	94	3.5
Gardening	1	3	6	14	19	33	76	2.8
Swimming	2	3	7	20	14	29	75	2.8
Read Books/Magazines	1	2	1	4	4	57	69	2.5
Hiking/Backpacking	2	12	15	26	8	5	68	2.5
Fishing	5	10	8	25	11	9	68	2.5
Running/Jogging				4	9	51	64	2.4
Skiing/Downhill Skiing	5	7	9	29	9	3	62	2.3
Performing Arts	1	10	5	9	11	23	59	2.2
Ice Hockey		1	2	13	21	21	58	2.1
Aerobics/Fitness/Aquasize	2			5	7	34	48	1.8
Softball/Baseball	1	2	2	6	19	10	40	1.5
Curling	1			10	12	14	37	1.4

Question No. 2 (a) Part 2

		participated in EACH activity during the PAST 12 MONTHS.  NUMBER OF TIMES ACTIVITY WAS PERFORMED						
First Favorite Activity								
	1 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 10	11 - 30	31 - 50		otal N	<u>%</u>
Soccer				6	6	22	34	1.3
Dancing	1	_	2	8	11	7	29	1.1
TV/Movies	1	3		3		20	27	1.0
Hunting/Shooting	3	3	13	6	2		27	1.0
Weight Training				1	2	23	26	1.0
Bowling	1	1	1	3	10	5	21	8.0
In-Line Skating	1	1	3	5	7	3	20	0.7
Games			2	3	3	10	18	0.7
Computer/Video Activities					2	16	18	0.7
Basketball				6	7	4	17	0.6
Boating	1		2	10	3	1	17	0.6
Attending as a Spectator			4	3	4	6	17	0.6
Racquetball/Squash				4	3	9	16	0.6
Mountain Biking (off-road)	1		1	2	3	9	16	0.6
Snowboarding	1	1	1	7	3	2	15	0.6
Horseback Riding	1	1	3	3	4	3	15	0.6
Martial Arts	1			1	2	10	14	0.5
Other Activities		1	1	4	5	3	14	0.5
Travel/Vacation		4	4	1	1	3	13	0.5
Tennis		1	1	2	2	6	12	0.4
Cross-Country Skiing	1		2	4	4	1	12	0.4
Snowmobiling	1	1	3	4	2	1	12	0.4
ATV/Off-Road Vehicles		3	2	6	1		12	0.4
Water Sports		2	3	5	1	1	12	0.4
Gambling	1			3	4	3	11	0.4
Motorized Biking		2	1	2	2	3	10	0.4
Entertain/Visit	1	1		2	3	2	9	0.3
Canoe/Kayak/Row/Rafting	2	2		3	1	1	9	0.3
Mountain Climbing	_	1	1	5	1	•	8	0.3
Birdwatching		•	•	1	1	6	8	0.3
Creative Activities				•	1	6	7	0.3
Picnicking	2	1	1	2	1	ŭ	7	0.3
Volleyball	_	1	2	1	2	1	7	0.3
Volunteering		•	_	1	2	3	6	0.2
Attending a Fair Or Festival	1		3	1	1	3	6	0.2
Ice Skating	1		3	1	3	1	6	0.2
Badminton	•	1		1	3	2	4	0.2
Driving For Pleasure		1	1	1		2	4	0.1
Table Games		1	1	1		1	3	0.1
Ball Hockey			1	1	2	1	3	0.1
Attending Classes/Courses			1	4	3		3	0.1
Aerial Activities		4	ı	1	1 1	1	3	0.1
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Photography				2	1	4		0.1
Dining Out				1	4	1	2 2	0.1
Gymnastics					1	1		0.1
Triathlon			1		•	1	2	0.1
Rugby				,	2		2	0.1
Football			1	1			2	0.1
Rodeo			2				2	0.1
Track and Field						1	1	0
Ringette					1		1	0

Question No. 2 (a) Part 2

Please indicate how many times you participated in EACH activity during the PAST 12 MONTHS.							
First Favorite Activity	ty NUMBER OF TIMES ACTIVITY WAS PERFORMED						
	1 - 2	3 - 5	6 - 10 11 - 30	31 - 50	51 + To	otal N	%
BMX Racing					1	1	0
Archery			1			1	0
Tobogganing/Sledding			1			1	0

# 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	NOT SOMEWHAT		VHAT	IMPORTANT		VERY		
(Ranked in Order of "Very	<b>IMPORTANT</b>		<b>IMPORTANT</b>				<b>IMPORT</b>	ANT
Important")								
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
For Pleasure	43	1.6	136	5.0	868	31.9	1494	54.9
For Physical Health/Exercise	159	5.8	233	8.6	758	27.9	1421	52.3
To Relax	105	3.9	299	11.0	990	36.4	1135	41.7
To Enjoy Nature	249	9.2	315	11.6	791	29.1	1131	41.6
To Do Something Different From Work	357	13.1	350	12.9	785	28.9	932	34.3
To Be With Family	462	17.0	390	14.3	704	25.9	894	32.9
To Do Things With Friends	325	12.0	518	19.1	935	34.4	707	26.0
For A Challenge	424	15.6	477	17.5	901	33.1	645	23.7
To Learn New Skills and Abilities	378	13.9	496	18.2	943	34.7	627	23.1
For Excitement	442	16.3	517	19.0	848	31.2	627	23.1
To Improve My Skills or Knowledge	360	13.2	524	19.3	967	35.6	612	22.5
To Keep Busy	623	22.9	668	24.6	797	29.3	411	15.1
To Be Creative	881	32.4	630	23.2	561	20.6	329	12.1
To Meet New People	717	26.4	747	27.5	677	24.9	327	12.0
To Be Alone	1085	40.0	629	23.1	431	15.9	280	10.3
Because I'm Good At It	944	34.7	743	27.3	575	21.1	177	6.5
To Help Community	1070	39.4	694	25.5	454	16.7	175	6.4
To Compete With Others	1675	61.6	444	16.3	236	8.7	97	3.6
To Be Away From Family	1759	64.7	407	15.0	140	5.1	96	3.5
To Show Others I Can Do It	1735	63.8	423	15.6	202	7.4	61	2.2

# 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
Yes	1136	41.8
No	1380	50.8
No Response	203	7.5

Question No. 3 (b)

Please specify which leisure or recreational activity you would MOST LIKE TO STAI	₹T. (Name ONE
activity only.)	

Activity	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Aerobics/Fitness/Aquasize	108	4.0
Golf	88	3.2
Canoe/Kayak/Row/Rafting	68	2.5
Bicycling	64	2.4
Swimming	62	2.3
In-Line Skating	39	1.4
Hiking/Backpacking	34	1.3
Martial Arts	32	1.2
Skiing/Downhill Skiing	32	1.2
Running/Jogging	31	1.2
Tennis	30	1.1
	29	1.1
Water Sports	29 29	1.1
Camping Weight Training	29 29	1.1
Weight Training		
Curling	26	1.0
Cross-Country Skiing	26	1.0
Boating	23	.8
Fishing	22	.8
Mountain/Rock Climbing	22	.8
Horseback Riding	21	.8
Performing Arts	18	.7
Softball/Baseball	18	.7
Walking For Pleasure	17	.6
Creative Activities	14	.5
Mountain Biking	14	.5
Racquetball/Squash	14	.5
Travel/Vacation	14	.5
Crafts/Hobbies	14	.5
Bowling	13	.5
Hunting/Shooting	12	.4
Ice Hockey	12	.4
Dancing	12	.4
Skating	11	.4
Other Activities	10	.4
Soccer	10	.4
Snowboarding	10	.4
Volleyball	9	.3
Archery	9	.3
Watching Nature	8	.3
Aerial Activities	8	.3
Motorized Biking	6	.2
Computer Activities	5	.2
Badminton	5	.2
Triathlon	4	.1
ATV/Off-Road Vehicles	4	.1
Snowmobiling	4	.1
Table Games	4	.1
Volunteering	3	.1
Attending Educational Courses	3	.1
Football	2	.1
Picnicking	2	.1
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#### Question No. 3 (b)

Please specify which leisure or	recreational activity you would MOST LIK	E TO START. (Name ONE
activity only.)		
Activity	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Gardening	2	.1
Horseshoeing	2	.1
Gymnastics	1	.0
Basketball	1	.0
Rugby	1	.0

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#### Question No. 3 (c)

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Total

Entertain/Visit

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			SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT		IMPORTANT		VERY IMPORTANT	
Important")								
	N	%	<u> </u>	%	N	%	N	%
Cost Of Equipment/Materials/Supplies	320	11.8	208	7.6	251	9.2	310	11.4
Admission Fees/Charges	371	13.6	225	8.3	210	7.7	282	10.4
Too Busy With Work	320	11.8	223	8.2	273	10.0	266	9.8
Too Busy With Family	380	14.0	210	7.7	263	9.7	222	8.2
Facilities Overcrowded	351	12.9	274	10.1	271	10.0	179	6.6
No Opportunity to do it Near Home	540	19.9	209	7.7	165	6.1	160	5.9
Facilities Poorly Kept/Maintained	500	18.4	237	8.7	189	7.0	133	4.9
Don't Know Where To Go	639	23.5	177	6.5	149	5.5	107	3.9
Cost Of Transportation	655	24.1	198	7.3	129	4.7	89	3.3
Facility Not Physically Convenient To	716	26.3	168	6.2	100	3.7	81	3.0
Use								
Lack Of Transportation	810	29.8	131	4.8	61	2.2	60	2.2
Don't Have the Physical Abilities	782	28.8	159	5.8	79	2.9	57	2.1
Physically Unable To Take Part	890	32.7	91	3.3	45	1.7	46	1.7
Not At Ease In Social Situations	870	32.0	115	4.2	52	1.9	24	0.9

### 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	2082	76.6
Yes	544	20.0
Did Not Respond	93	3.4

#### Question No. 4 (b)

Have you used the guide?		
	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
No	391	14.4
Yes	149	5.5
Did Not Respond	2179	80.1

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40.9

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
No	1401	51.5
Yes	1195	43.9
Did Not Respond	123	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	398	33.3
Community League or Association	385	32.2
School	361	30.2
Church	333	27.9
Special Sport/Recreation Event	262	21.9
Service Club	200	16.7
Youth Group	175	14.6
Other	156	13.0
Cultural Group	155	13.0
Conservation, Parks, Ecology, etc.	130	10.9
Recreation or Parks Board	54	4.5

Question No. 5 (c)

What job(s) did you do as a volunte	er? (Please check ALL boxes that apply	y.)
Job	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Volunteer Worker	931	34.2
Committee Member	391	14.4
Coach/Manager/Instructor	318	11.7
Executive	285	10.5
Other	51	1.9

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	665	56.2
6 - 10 Hours	219	18.5
11 - 15 Hours	83	7.0
More Than 15 Hours	217	18.3

#### **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")	NO IMPOR	-	SOMEV IMPOR		IMPOR <sup>*</sup>	TANT	VER	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Opportunities For Children/Youth In a	43	1.6	84	3.1	690	25.4	1782	65.5
Variety Of Activities								
Preserves Alberta Plants, Animals, etc.	50	1.8	144	5.3	636	23.4	1776	65.3
Opportunities For Families To Be	40	1.5	118	4.3	707	26.0	1738	63.9
Together								
Improves Quality Of Life	42	1.5	149	5.5	785	28.9	1638	60.2
Creates Partnerships/Community Spirit	98	3.6	449	16.5	1043	38.4	990	36.4
Opportunity To Contribute To Community	131	4.8	579	21.3	1027	37.8	841	30.9
Contributes To Economy Of Community	201	7.4	662	24.3	922	33.9	780	28.7

#### 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	2101	77.3
Amount Is Too Low	269	9.9
Amount Is Too High	211	7.8
Did Not Respond	138	5.1
<u>Total</u>	2719	100.0

Question No. 7 (b)

If you think the amount is too high	, how much would you allocate per person	n per year?
Yearly Fee (\$)	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
0	13	0.5
15	1	0.0
20	6	0.2
25	6	0.2
40	1	0.0
50	74	2.7
52	1	0.0
60	10	0.4
63	1	0.0
65	2	0.1
70	5	0.2
75	20	0.7
80	11	0.4
89	1	0.0
90	1	0.0

Question No. 7 (c)

How should recreation services and public parks be supported?		
	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Through A Combination Of Taxes And	1805	66.4
User Fees		
Mainly Through Taxes	515	18.9
Mainly Through User Fees	289	10.6
Other	80	2.9

Question No. 7 (c) Part 2

Other sources of support.		
Other Sources	N	% OF RESPONDENTS
Private/Corporate Sponsorship	19	0.7
Lotteries/Lottos	13	0.5
Fundraising	12	0.4
Government	10	0.4
Donations	9	0.3
Municipality	6	0.2
Heritage Fund	3	0.1
Volunteers	3	0.1
Gambling Profit	2	0.1
Fines From Park Law Violations	2	0.1
Tourists	1	0.0
Total	80	2.9

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	1602	58.9
No	924	34.0
Don't Know	117	4.3
Did Not Respond	76	2.8
Total	2719	100.0

Question No. 8 (b)

Which Alberta Provincial Parks did you visit? (Note: The parks below were chosen by 58.9% of Albertans.)

Provincial Park	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Kananaskis Country	368	13.4
Banff	231	8.4
Peter Lougheed	183	6.6
Fish Creek	147	5.3
Jasper	145	5.2
Unknown	112	4.1
Dinosaur	108	3.9
Elk Island	91	3.3
Cypress Hills	80	2.9
Waterton	77	2.8
Miquelon Lake	60	2.2
Writing-On-Stone	58	2.1
Trans-Canada Sub-District	57	2.1
Wabamun	52	1.9
Park Lake	43	1.6

Question No. 8 (b)
Which Alberta Provincial Parks did you visit? (Note: The parks below were chosen by 58.9% of Albertans.)

Provincial Park	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Sylvan Lake	42	1.5
Pigeon Lake	38	1.4
Little Bow	35	1.3
Elbow Sub-District	34	1.2
Crimson Lake	33	1.2
Pembina River	32	1.1
Aspen Beach	26	0.9
Dry Island Buffalo Jump	26	0.9
Long Lake	26	0.9
Lesser Slave Lake	25	0.9
Carson-Pegasus	24	0.9
A lot of them	23	0.8
Chain Lakes	22	0.8
Gull Lake	22	0.8
Wyndham-Carseland	22	0.8
Big Hill Springs	21	0.8
W. Switzer Park	21	0.8
Bow Valley Wildland	17	0.6
Red Lodge	17	0.6
Beauvais Lake	16	0.6
Cold Lake	16	0.6
Cross Lake	15	0.5
Saskatoon	15	0.5
Kinbrook Island	14	0.5
Cooking Lake/Blackfoot	13	0.5
Thunder Lake	13	0.5
Sir Winston Churchill	12	0.4
Taber	12	0.4
Jarvis Bay	11	0.4
Beaver Mines Lake	10	0.4
Moose Lake	10	0.4
Police Outpost	10	0.4
Sheep Sub-District	10	0.4
Vermilion	10	0.4
Hasse Lake	9	0.3
Rochon Sands	9	0.3
Gregoire Lake	8	0.3
Big Knife	7	0.3
Dillberry Lake	7	0.3
Dunvegan	7	0.3
Lundbrecks Falls	7	0.3
Midland	7	0.3
Whitney Lakes	7	0.3
Canmore Nordic Centre	6	0.2
Hilliard's Bay	6	0.2
Lakeland	6	0.2
Twin Lakes	6	0.2
Garner Lake	5	0.2
Old Man River	5	0.2
Willow Creek	5	0.2
Bow	4	0.2
Buffalo Lake	4	0.2
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Question No. 8 (b)
Which Alberta Provincial Parks did you visit? (Note: The parks below were chosen by 58.9% of Albertans.)

Provincial Park	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Mountain Park	4	0.2
North Ghost	4	0.2
O'Brian Park	4	0.2
Sibbald Sub-District	4	0.2
Winagami	4	0.2
Brown-Lowery	3	0.1
Chinook Lake	3	0.1
Crowsnest	3	0.1
Dickson Dam/Gleniffer Lake	3	0.1
Highway #40 Sub-District	3	0.1
Little Bow Reservoir	3	0.1
Moonshine Lake	3	0.1
Ram Falls	3	0.1
Thompson Creek	3	0.1
Williamson	3	0.1
Woolford	3	0.1
Allison FRA	2	0.1
Athabasca	2	0.1
Bleriot Ferry	2	0.1
Buck Lake	2	0.1
Burnt Stick Random	2	0.1
Cow Lake Staging Area	2	0.1
Fallen Timber	2	0.1
	2	0.1
Goldeye Lake Harlech	2	0.1
Heritage Park	2	0.1
Island Lake	2	0.1
Kootenay Plains	2	0.1
Livingstone Falls	2	0.1
McLeod River	2	0.1
Payne	2	0.1
Pierre Grey's Lakes	2	0.1
Queen Elizabeth	2	0.1
	2	0.1
St. Mary's Reservoir Strathcona Science Park	2	0.1
Swan Lake	2	
	2	0.1 0.1
Young's Point	1	0.0
Big Berland	1	
Burnt Timber Castle Falls	1	0.0
Chambers Creek	1	0.0
Chickadee Creek	1	0.0
Coal Lake North	1	0.0
Coal Lake South	1	0.0
	1	0.0
Crane Lake East	1	0.0
Crane Lake West	1	0.0
Crescent Falls	1	0.0
English Bay	1	0.0
Fairfax Lake	1	0.0
Fish Lake	1	0.0
Floatingstone Lake	1	0.0
Fort Assiniboine	1	0.0

Question No. 8 (b)

Which Alberta Provincial Parks did you visit?	(Note: The parks below were chosen by <b>58.9% of</b>
Albertans.)	

Provincial Park	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Hanmore Lake	1	0.0
Hardisty	1	0.0
Indian Graves	1	0.0
Lower Mann Lake	1	0.0
Lower Red Deer River	1	0.0
Lynx Creek	1	0.0
Machesis Lake	1	0.0
Mill Creek	1	0.0
Muriel Lake	1	0.0
Musreau Lake	1	0.0
Nojack	1	0.0
North Buck Lake	1	0.0
North Ram River	1	0.0
Raven	1	0.0
Smoke Lake	1	0.0
Spray Lakes	1	0.0
Stoney Lake	1	0.0
The Narrows	1	0.0
Tolman Bridge	1	0.0
Waiparous Valley Random	1	0.0
Waiparous Valley Viewpoint	1	0.0
West Castle Random	1	0.0
<u>Total</u>	2752	100.0

Question No. 8 (c)

Which of the following information sources did you use?	(Please check <b>ALL</b> bo	exes that apply.)
Information Sources	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Recommendations From Others	906	33.3
Visitor Information Centres	818	30.1
Publications	746	27.4
Internet	479	17.6
Other	242	8.9
Alberta Parks and Protected Area Offices	231	8.5
Travel Alberta's 1-800 Toll Free Line	168	6.2

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Other sources of information specified.		
Other Sources	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Past Experience/Knowledge	80	2.9
AMA	54	2.0
Live Nearby	24	0.9
Maps	15	0.6
Word Of Mouth	10	0.4
Drove By/Highway Signs	9	0.3
Campground Guide	8	0.3
Friends	8	0.3
Family	7	0.2
Newspapers	4	0.1
School	3	0.1
Library	3	0.1
CAA	2	0.0

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Other sources of information specified.		
Other Sources	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Good Sam. Catalogue	1	0.0
Church	1	0.0
Magazines	1	0.0
Hostel Book	1	0.0
TV	1	0.0
Chamber Of Commerce	1	0.0
Trade Show	1	0.0
Worked In Parks	1	0.0
Edm Natural History Club	1	0.0
Avalanche Services	1	0.0
Radio	1	0.0
Conference For Work	1	0.0
Mountain Equipment Co-Op	1	0.0
Direct Mail	1	0.0
Banff Park Office	1	0.0
Total	242	8.9

# 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	NO	Γ	SOMEW	HAT	IMPOR1		VEF	
(Ranked in Order of "Very Important")	IMPORT	ANI	IMPORT	ANI			IMPOR'	IANI
portaint ,	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Lack Of Time	393	14.5	422	15.5	663	24.4	662	24.3
Costs Of Camping Too High	884	32.5	479	17.6	426	15.7	314	11.5
Transportation/Equipment Costs Too	957	35.2	502	18.5	392	14.4	236	8.7
Much								
Noisy Activities Of Others	962	35.4	504	18.5	365	13.4	219	8.1
Prefer Camping In Undeveloped Areas	1290	47.4	331	12.2	258	9.5	210	7.7
Prefer National Parks	1046	38.5	480	17.7	387	14.2	207	7.6
Private Operation Of Provincial Parks	1151	42.3	440	16.2	259	9.5	206	7.6
Campgrounds								
Facilities Poorly Kept/Maintained	1023	37.6	507	18.6	344	12.7	196	7.2
Lack Of Information	1086	39.9	478	17.6	337	12.4	180	6.6
Unaware Of Opportunities In Parks	965	35.5	515	18.9	429	15.8	174	6.4
Parks are Too Crowded	876	32.2	680	25.0	392	14.4	157	5.8
Fear Of Crime/Safety/Security	1352	49.7	383	14.1	211	7.8	150	5.5
Poor Health	1649	60.6	189	7.0	152	5.6	142	5.2
Prefer Municipal Parks	1128	41.5	537	19.7	304	11.2	133	4.9
Parks Are Too Far Away	1046	38.5	583	21.4	335	12.3	127	4.7
Too Many Restrictive Regulations	1233	45.3	496	18.2	218	8.0	124	4.6
Age	1543	56.7	236	8.7	135	5.0	108	4.0
Lack Of RV Campsites	1551	57.0	261	9.6	148	5.4	98	3.6
Prefer Private Parks/Campgrounds	1410	51.9	360	13.2	212	7.8	96	3.5
Lack Of Interpretative Programs	1302	47.9	460	16.9	206	7.6	74	2.7
Lack Of Handicapped Accessible	1715	63.1	165	6.1	94	3.5	72	2.6
Facilities								
Not Interested in Outdoor Recreation	1643	60.4	267	9.8	102	3.8	65	2.4
Activities/Parks								
Lack Of Things To Do	1495	55.0	330	12.1	173	6.4	53	1.9

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Other reasons given for not visiting an Alberta Provincial Park during the last 12 months.							
Other Reason 1	NOT	SOMEWHAT	IMPORTANT	VERY			
	IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT		IMPORTANT			
Possess Own Recreational Property				8			
Absence Of Car	1		1	5			
Too Much Privatization				5			
Firewood Too Expensive			2	5			
Too Expensive				5			
No Electricity, Hot Water, etc.	1		1	4			
Prefer Parks Close To Home			1	4			
Gave Up/Don't Like Camping				4			
Recently Moved To Alberta				4			
Gas Price				3			
Too Many People With Summer			1	3			
Reservations							
Restricted/Poor Fishing				3			
No Company To Go With	1		2	3			
Prefer B.C. Parks				2			
No Privacy In Parks				2			
Older Campgrounds Closed				2			
Small Kids			1	2			
Poor Tenting/Camping Facilities				2			
Lack Of Quality Lakes & Beaches				2			
Access Closed				1			
No More Wilderness In Parks			1	1			
No Pet Facilities/Pet Restrictions				1			
Poor Roads				1			
Unleashed Dogs			1	1			
Dangerous Mountain Bikers				1			
Not Enough Parks To Visit				1			
No Outdoor Heated Pools, Water Parks				1			
Prefer Forest Reserve				1			
Prefer Travelling Abroad				1			
Have Vacation Club Hours			1	1			
Poor Enforcement Of Rules				1			
Parks Deterioration				1			
Driving Restrictions			1				
No Campsite Close To Park			1				
Hard To Get Camping Permit			1				
Fear Of Wild Animals			1				
Not Enough Winter Facilities			1				
Total	3		1 16	81			

# Question No. 8 (d)

Other reasons given for not visiting an Alberta Provincial Park during the last 12 months.					
Other Reason 2	IMPORTANT	VERY IMPORTAL	NT		
Absence Of Car			2		
No Electricity, Hot Water, etc.			2		
Possess Own Recreational Property			1		
No Privacy In Parks			1		
No Pet Facilities/Pet Restrictions			1		
Restricted/Poor Fishing			1		
Too Expensive			1		
Too Dusty/Dirty			1		
Not Enough Parks To Visit			1		
Parks Are Not Large Enough			1		
Have Vacation Club Hours			1		
Summer Construction			1		
Too Many People With Summer		1			
Reservations					
<u>Total</u>		1	14		

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 OPINI	ON
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Cross-Country Ski Trails	2115	77.8	197	7.2	229	8.4
Grocery Stores/Laundromats	1921	70.7	498	18.3	154	5.7
Mountain Biking	1921	70.7	412	15.2	216	7.9
Horse Rentals	1884	69.3	413	15.2	257	9.5
Gas Stations	1739	64.0	629	23.1	176	6.5
Playing Fields (baseball, soccer, etc.)	1721	63.3	581	21.4	222	8.2
Courts (tennis, volleyball, etc.)	1688	62.1	587	21.6	246	9.0
Primitive Rental Cabins	1487	54.7	735	27.0	315	11.6
Downhill Ski Areas	1465	53.9	735	27.0	325	12.0
Restaurants/Lounges	1405	51.7	921	33.9	198	7.3
Golf Courses	1271	46.7	997	36.7	269	9.9
Hostels/Dormitories	1224	45.0	973	35.8	331	12.2
Hotels/Motels	860	31.6	1417	52.1	268	9.9
Resorts	811	29.8	1401	51.5	318	11.7
Snowmobiling	713	26.2	1539	56.6	289	10.6
Private Cottages	538	19.8	1713	63.0	293	10.8
Motortized Off-Road Vehicles (i.e.,	454	16.7	1853	68.2	241	8.9
quads)						
Hunting	342	12.6	2029	74.6	185	6.8

# 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 OPIN	ION
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Picnic Areas	2523	92.8	15	0.6	37	1.4
Playing Fields (baseball, soccer, etc.)	2179	80.1	252	9.3	138	5.1
Courts (tennis, volleyball, etc.)	2153	79.2	251	9.2	154	5.7
Cross-Country Ski Trails	2085	76.7	270	9.9	212	7.8
Tents/Campgrounds	1857	68.3	626	23.0	131	4.8
Mountain Biking	1804	66.3	495	18.2	210	7.7
Restaurants/Snack Bars	1735	63.8	613	22.5	187	6.9
Horse Rentals	1605	59.0	662	24.3	254	9.3
Golf Courses	1550	57.0	789	29.0	223	8.2
Downhill Ski Areas	1453	53.4	794	29.2	304	11.2
Hostels/Dormitories	955	35.1	1336	49.1	283	10.4
Snowmobiling	612	22.5	1680	61.8	218	8.0
Motorized Off-Road Vehicles (i.e., quads)	408	15.0	1883	69.3	213	7.8

# Question No. 10

What is your gender?		
Gender	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Male	1395	51.3
Female	1257	46.2
Did Not Respond	67	2.5
Total	2719	100.0

# Question No. 11

What year were you born? (2000-Year Born = Age)		
Age Category	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Under 18	6	.2
18-25	137	5.4
26-35	383	15.2
36-45	658	26.1
46-55	588	23.3
56-65	359	14.2
66-75	261	10.4
76+	129	5.1

# Question No. 12

What is the <b>HIGHEST</b> level of education <b>YOU</b> have	completed? (Please check	ONE box only.)
Education Level	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
University	884	33.4
Elementary/Junior Senior/High School	704	26.6
College	518	19.6
Technical or Vocational Program	455	17.2
Other	83	3.1

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Other education mentioned.		
Education Level	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Master's Degree	14	.5
Nursing School/Registered Nurse	11	.4
Post-Graduate	10	.4
Doctorate	9	.3
Some University	9	.3
Professional Designation	7	.3
Some College	7	.3
One Year University	4	.1
University Correspondence Course	2	.1
CGA Assn	2	.1
Two Years University	2	.1
Self-Educated	1	.0
Chartered Accountant	1	.0
Advance Business Management	1	.0
Course		
PCA Course	1	.0
Teaching Certificate	1	.0
Baptist Leadership Training School	1	.0
Total	83	3.1

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In what village, town or city do you live?		
Community	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Calgary	860	31.6
Edmonton	801	29.5
Lethbridge	196	7.2
Red Deer	66	2.4
Sherwood Park	58	2.1
St. Albert	57	2.1
Medicine Hat	54	2.0
Acreage/Farm	50	1.8
Grande Prairie	31	1.1
Fort McMurray	21	.8
Spruce Grove	18	.7
Canmore	17	.6
Airdrie	17	.6
Cochrane	15	.6
Fort Saskatchewan	15	.6
Lloydminster	15	.6
Wetaskiwin	14	.5
Stony Plain	13	.5
Camrose	12	.4
Lacombe	12	.4
Sylvan Lake	10	.4
Leduc	10	.4
Whitecourt	10	.4
Wainwright	8	.3
Peace River	8	.3
Coaldale	8	.3
Cold Lake	8	.3
Beaumont	8	.3

Question No. 13 (a)		
In what village, town or city do you live?	NUMBER	0/ OF PEOPONDENTS
Community	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Strathmore	8 7	.3
Drayton Valley Okotoks	7	.3
Taber	7	.3
St. Paul	6	.3
Bonnyville	6	.2
Brooks	6	.2
Stettler	6	.2
Olds	5	.2
Devon	5	.2
High River	5	.2
Edson	5	.2
Winnipeg	5	.2
Drumheller	5	.2
Innisfail	5	.2
Vermilion	4	.1
Morinville	4	.1
Hinton	4	.1
Rocky Mountain House	3	.1
Barrhead	3	.1
Carstairs	3	.1
Slave Lake	3	.1
Trochu	2	.1
Caroline	2	.1
Nanton	2	.1
Ponoka	2	.1
Vancouver	2	.1
Beaver County	2	.1
Stavely	2	.1
Newbrook	2	.1
Vegreville	2	.1
Westlock	2	.1
DeWinton	2	.1
Bearspaw	1	.0
Hythe	1	.0
Balzac	1	.0
Wildwood	1	.0
Craigmyle	1	.0
Alix	1	.0
Calmar	1	.0
Fawcett	1	.0
Inglewood	1	.0
Lacombe County	1	.0
Oromocto	1	.0
Tofield	1	.0
Ardrossan	1	.0
Clandonald	1	.0
Sedgewick	 	.0
Sundre Hardisty	1	.0 .0
Nampa	1 1	.0
Elk Point	1	.0
Grouard	1	.0
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Question No. 13 (a)		
In what village, town or city do you live?		
Community	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Busby	1	.0
Grassland	1	.0
Plamondon	1	.0
Redwater	1	.0
Cleardale	1	.0
Aetna	1	.0
Springbank	1	.0
Trenton, ON	1	.0
Banff	1	.0
Lundbreck	1	.0
Donalda	1	.0
St. Catherine's, ON	1	.0
Dixonville	1	.0
Glendon	1	.0
Villeneuve	1	.0
Vulcan	1	.0
Czar	1	.0
Galahad	1	.0
Andrew	1	.0
Coalhurst	1	.0
Chestermere	1	.0
Forestburg	1	.0
Etzikom	1	.0
Beiseker	1	.0
Bezanson	1	.0
Three Hills	1	.0
Athabasca	1	.0
Kitscoty	1	0.
Cremona	1	.0
Castor	1	.0
Lac La Biche	1	.0
Coutts	1	.0
Grassy Lake	1	.0
Saskatoon	1	.0
Wembley	1	.0
Clyde	1	.0
Delacour	1	.0
Benalto	1	.0
Mundare	1	.0
St. Baptiste	1	.0
Delburne	1	.0
High Prairie	1	.0
Boyle	1	.0
Manning	1	.0
Nobleford	1	.0
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Marwayne Elnora	1	0.
Delia	1	0.
	1	.0
Consort	1	.0
Evansburg	1	.0
<u>Total</u>	2616	96.2

# Question No. 14

Which of the following describes your househo	ld? (Please check ONE box of	only.)
	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Couple With Children	1078	40.7
Couple With No Children	834	31.5
Single Person	378	14.3
Two Or More Related Adults	136	5.1
Single Parent Family	117	4.4
Two Or More Unrelated Single Adults	75	2.8
Other	34	1.3

# Question No. 14 Part 2

Other household arrangements mentioned.		
	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Couple With Kids + 1 Related Adult	6	.2
Couple With Children & Grandchildren	5	.2
2+ Related Adults + Single Parent	3	.1
Family		
Couple + 1 Unrelated Adult	3	.1
2+ Related + 2+ Unrelated Adults	3	.1
Couple Without Kids + Related Adult	3	.1
Common-Law Couple	2	.1
Single Parent Family + 1 Related Adult	2	.1
Single With Joint Custody Of Children	2	.1
Two Couples With Kids	1	.0
Seniors Home	1	.0
Couple + Couple With Kids	1	.0
Monastery	1	.0
Same Sex Couple	1	.0
Total	34	1.3

# Question No. 15

How 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	212	7.8	255	9.4	324	11.9	325	12.0	368	13.5	524	19.3	434	16.0	284	10.4
2	81	3.0	87	3.2	99	3.6	142	5.2	202	7.4	910	33.5	448	16.5	230	8.5
3	16	0.6	9	0.3	10	0.4	9	0.3	33	1.2	8	0.3	1	0.0	3	0.1
4	1	0.0	1	0.0			1	0.0	4	0.1	2	0.1			1	0.0
5							1	0.0	2	0.1						
7									1	0.0	1	0.0				
16															1	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	696	25.6
2	1371	50.4
3	291	10.7
4	149	5.5
5	24	.9
6	4	.1
7	2	.1
8	1	.0
Total	2538	93.3

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	68	3.0
\$10,001 - \$30,000	409	17.8
\$30,001 - \$50,000	545	23.7
\$50,001 - \$70,000	480	20.9
\$70,001 - \$90,000	329	14.3
\$90,001 or more	464	20.2

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	2423	91.9
Chinese	59	2.2
Other	39	1.5
South Asian (e.g., East Indian,	28	1.1
Pakistani, Punjabi, Sri Lankan)		
Aboriginal	19	.7
Filipino	17	.6
Black (e.g., African, Haitian, Jamaican,	12	.5
Somali)		
Japanese	11	.4
South East Asian (e.g., Cambodian,	10	.4
Indonesian, Laotian, Vietnamese)		
Latin American	9	.3
Arab/West Asian (e.g., Armenian,	8	.3
Egyptian, Iranian, Lebanese, Moroccan)		
Korean	2	.1

Question No. 17 (a) Part 2

Other background specified. (Note: Other background represents 1.5% of Albertans.)		
Background	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Metis	15	0.6
Half-White/Half-Japanese	5	0.2
Half-White/Half-Chinese	4	0.1
Mulatto	3	0.1
Half-White/Half-South-East-Indian	2	0.0
Half-White/Half-Arab	2	0.0
Caucasian	2	0.0
Pacific Islander	1	0.0
Half-White/Half-Filipino	1	0.0
Jewish	1	0.0
Half-Black/Half-Latin American	1	0.0
Fijian	1	0.0
Kurdish	1	0.0
Half-White/Half-Korean	1	0.0
West Indian	1	0.0

Question No. 17 (b)

Please provide us with the language(s) you speak with your family at home:		
Languages Spoken	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
English	2573	94.6
French	155	5.7
German	76	2.8
Chinese	55	2.0
Ukrainian	46	1.7
Other	44	1.6
Spanish	29	1.1
Polish	21	0.8
Dutch	19	0.7
Italian	18	0.7
Tagalog	16	0.6
Japanese	12	0.4
Vietnamese	11	0.4
Portuguese	10	0.4
Punjabi	10	0.4
Cree	9	0.3
Hindi	8	0.3
Hungarian	8	0.3
Arabic	4	0.1
Greek	4	0.1
Korean	3	0.1

Question No. 17 (b) Part 2

Other language(s) specified.		
Languages Spoken	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Danish	5	.2
Urdu	3	.1
Swedish	3	.1
Hebrew	3	.1
Russian	3	.1
Kutchi	3	.1
Malailam Dialect	2	.1

# Question No. 17 (b) Part 2

Other language(s) specified.		
Languages Spoken	NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
Norwegian	2	.1
Icelandic	2	.1
Dari	1	.0
Malay	1	.0
Slovak	1	.0
Romanian	1	.0
Persian	1	.0
Fijian	1	.0
Czech	1	.0
Gujarati	1	.0
Thai	1	.0
Kurdish	1	.0
Yiddish	1	.0
Hokkien	1	.0
Amharic	1	.0
Sign Language	1	.0
Gaelic	1	.0
Afrikaans	1	.0
Kabaya	1	.0
Cambodian	1	.0
Total	44	1.6

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
Keep Up Great Job	77	2.8
Too Expensive/Don't Increase Fees	63	2.3
Preserve Parks & Wildlife For Future	60	2.2
Stop Privatization/Commercialization	40	1.5
No "Over-Development" In Parks	32	1.2
More Parks/Campgrounds/Leisure Centres Needed	20	.7
More Help For Low-Income People	19	.7
More Advertising/Info/Maps	13	.5
Include Cost Of Fire Wood In Camp Fees	13	.5
Stricter Fines For Violations, Vandalism	11	.4
Different Areas For Different Activities	9	.3
More Facilities For Disabled People	8	.3
Upgrade Camping Sites/Lodges, etc.	7	.3
More Washrooms Needed	7	.3
Lack Of Roadside Facilities	6	.2
Service Level Deteriorated	6	.2
Too Many Access Restrictions	5	.2
Parks Must Have Power, Hot Water, etc.	5	.2
More Soccer/Golf Facilities	5	.2
Poor Fishing In Lakes	5	.2
Keep Everything Clean	5	.2
No User Fees In Parks	5	.2
Forbid Off-Road Vehicles In Parks	5	.2
Less Pet Restrictions	5	.2
Plant More Trees In Parks	4	.1
Not Enough Space Between Camp Spots	4	.1
More Police In Parks Needed/Better Safety	4	.1

# **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
Don't Close Bike Trails For Public	4	.1
No Unleashed Dogs	4	.1
Don't Cut Parks Staff	3	.1
People Should Have Priority Over Animals	3	.1
Poor Job/Improper Management	3	.1
No Mining/Logging/Oil/Gas In Parks	3	.1
Extend Hours Of Operation	3	.1
Encourage People To Use Parks, etc.	3	.1
More Funds Needed	3	.1
Too Many Hunting/Fishing Restrictions	3	.1
Lack Of Recreational Facilities In Small Communities	2	.1
More Interpretive Programs	2	.1
Use Alternatives To Pesticides	2	.1
More Activities For Kids/Youth	2	.1
More Indoor Bike Trails	2	.1
More Walking/Running Trails In Parks	2	.1
Ensure Safety Of Bike Routes, Playgrounds	2	.1
Too Noisy	2	.1
More Long Distance Bike Trails Needed	2	.1
More Gyms Needed	2	.1
More Garbage Cans In Parks	2	.1
Let More Private Businesses In Parks	2	.1
Public Phones Needed	1	.0
Excellent Pools, Parks	1	.0
Dirty Washrooms	1	.0
Extend The Season In Parks	1	.0
Support Public Safety Program	1	.0
No New Hotels/Resorts In Alberta	1	.0
Introduce Grants For Recreational Development	1	.0
More Wading Pools	1	.0
Charge Per Stall (not per tent)	1	.0
More Facilities For Mountain Biking	1	.0
Leave Crown Lands Undeveloped	1	.0
No User Fees For School Gym	1	.0
Too Many Golf Courses, Ski Trails, etc.	1	.0
More Attention To Seniors	1	.0
More Care For Environment	1	.0
Lack Of Rest Rooms At Lakes	1	.0
Calgary Pathway System Is Excellent	1	.0
Soaring/Paragliding Facilities Needed	1	.0
More Public Involvement In Decisions	1	.0
Better Road Signs To/In RC	1	.0
Outdoor Heated Pools & Water Parks Needed	1	.0
No Public Money On Golf, Hockey, etc.	1	.0
Better Roads To Parks Needed	1	.0
Improve Reservation System	1	.0
Too Many Regulations	1	.0
More Skiing Facilities	1	.0
Play Music In Parks	1	.0
Allow Cottage Owners To Use Park Showers	1	.0
Paved Trails For In-Line Skating Needed	1	.0
Less Competition In Youth Programs	1	.0

#### **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
Better Equipment For Local Sport Clubs, etc.	1	.0
Maintain/Support Parks By User Fees	1	.0
More Parks In Crowsnest & Kananaskis Area	1	.0
More Attention To Cultural Diversity Issues	1	.0
Refund Fee If Not Staying	1	.0
More Camping With Swimming Pools	1	.0
Get Rid Of Weeds	1	.0
More Places For Adults Only	1	.0
Less Restrictions On Scientific Research	1	.0
Keep Water Level In Lakes Higher	1	.0
Restrict Use Of Alcohol In Parks	1	.0
<u>Total</u>	540	19.9

# Additional Information – Con't

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

NUMBER	% OF RESPONDENTS
28	1.0
25	.9
24	.9
17	.6
15	.6
12	.4
8	.3
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8	.3
7	.3
7	.3
5	.2
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#### Additional Information – Con't

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 Public Involvement In Decisions	2	.1
More Garbage Cans In Parks	2	.1
Parks Are Overcrowded	2	.1
Good Activities/Lessons At Leisure Centres	1	.0
Extend The Season In Parks	1	.0
Plant More Trees In Parks	1	.0
Poor Job/Improper Management	1	.0
Don't Harass RV Owners	1	.0
Use Alternatives To Pesticides	1	.0
More Advertising/Info/Maps	1	.0
More Activities For Kids/Youth	1	.0
Make Red River Fly-Fishing Place	1	.0
More Attention To Seniors	1	.0
More Washrooms Needed	1	.0
Re-Open Closed Roadside Grounds	1	.0
Soaring/Paragliding Facilities Needed	1	.0
Better Road Signs To/In RC	1	.0
No Unleashed Dogs	1	.0
Less Pet Restrictions	1	.0
No Public Money On Golf, Hockey, etc.	1	.0
Improve Reservation System	1	.0
Keep Bison In Elk Island	1	.0
Let More Private Businesses In Parks	1	.0
Allow Cottage Owners To Use Park Showers	1	.0
Make Water & Washrooms Always Available	1	.0
Sell Canmore N.C To Calgary Olympic Agency	1	.0
Total	273	10.0

# Additional Information - Con't

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
Too Expensive/Don't Increase Fees	7	.3
No "Over-Development" In Parks	5	.2
Stop Privatization/Commercialization	5	.2
More Help For Low-Income People	4	.1
More Interpretive Programs	4	.1
Keep Everything Clean	4	.1
Stricter Fines For Violations, Vandalism	4	.1
More Parks/Campgrounds/Leisure Centres Needed	3	.1
Plant More Trees In Parks	3	.1
Preserve Parks & Wildlife For Future	3	.1
More Police In Parks Needed/Better Safety	3	.1
More Care For Environment	3	.1
Encourage People To Use Parks, etc.	3	.1
More Funds Needed	3	.1
Upgrade Camping Sites/Lodges, etc.	3	.1
Service Level Deteriorated	2	.1
No Mining/Logging/Oil/Gas In Parks	2	.1
No New Hotels/Resorts In Alberta	2	.1
Re-Open Closed Roadside Grounds	2	.1
Keep Up Great Job	1	.0

# Additional Information - Con't

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
Different Areas For Different Activities	1	.0
People Should Have Priority Over Animals	1	.0
Poor Job/Improper Management	1	.0
Too Many Access Restrictions	1	.0
Use Alternatives To Pesticides	1	.0
More Advertising/Info/Maps	1	.0
Charge Per Stall (not per tent)	1	.0
Public Transportation To Parks Needed	1	.0
Include Cost Of Fire Wood In Camp Fees	1	.0
Parks Must Have Power, Hot Water, etc.	1	.0
Too Many Golf Courses, Ski Trails, etc.	1	.0
Make Red River Fly-Fishing Place	1	.0
Don't Close Bike Trails For Public	1	.0
More Indoor Bike Trails	1	.0
More Walking/Running Trails In Parks	1	.0
More Public Involvement In Decisions	1	.0
Too Noisy	1	.0
More Long Distance Bike Trails Needed	1	.0
Better Roads To Parks Needed	1	.0
Improve Reservation System	1	.0
Attract More Tourists	1	.0
Parks Are Overcrowded	1	.0
Instruct About Safety With Wild Animals	1	.0
"Rent-A-Bicycle" Service Needed	1	.0
Total	90	3.3