

<b>Unweighted sample size, parents of kids aged 6-17</b>	416	55	239	258	105	360
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*Cells containing “\*” are statistically zero, though at least one response was received. Blank cells indicate zero responses received. Sample sizes below 100 should be interpreted with caution.*

QK1. Does your child or do your children attend any of the following educational options in Alberta?

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
English public school	60%	69%	63%	58%	54%	69%
Catholic public school	19%	11%	20%	22%	17%	22%
French public school	7%	7%	8%	7%	3%	8%
Public alternative school (religious / language program)	6%	15%	7%	4%	3%	7%
Home school	4%	5%	5%	3%	5%	1%
Public charter school	3%		4%	3%	4%	4%
Religious private / independent school	2%	4%	3%	2%	3%	0%
Non-religious private / independent school	1%		1%	1%	2%	0%
Other type of school (Specify):	3%		1%	4%	4%	1%
None of the Above	6%		2%	9%	12%	
Net: Public school	87%	93%	91%	84%	77%	100%
Net: Private independent	3%	4%	5%	3%	5%	1%

Q1. Thinking about the quality of public education in Alberta today compared with when you yourself were in school, would you say it is...

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
Much better now	5%	4%	5%	5%	10%	6%
A bit better now	7%	4%	5%	8%	10%	7%
About the same	13%	13%	12%	12%	10%	13%
A bit worse now	24%	29%	26%	22%	20%	25%
Much worse now	46%	38%	47%	49%	43%	44%
Not sure	5%	13%	5%	3%	6%	5%
Net: Better	12%	7%	10%	13%	21%	13%
Net: Worse	70%	67%	72%	71%	63%	69%

**Q2. [NET High Quality] What are your perceptions of the quality of Alberta education options?**

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
English Public school	47%	56%	46%	45%	50%	50%
Catholic public school	46%	42%	43%	49%	44%	48%
French public school	34%	35%	33%	34%	31%	35%
Public alternative school (religious / language program)	30%	38%	30%	30%	32%	29%
Public charter school	43%	44%	44%	44%	35%	43%
Religious private / independent school	28%	33%	32%	27%	26%	27%
Non-religious private / independent school	35%	27%	38%	33%	31%	34%
Home school	24%	27%	27%	22%	23%	24%

**Q2. [NET Low Quality] What are your perceptions of the quality of Alberta education options?**

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
English Public school	49%	42%	51%	51%	45%	47%
Catholic public school	32%	35%	36%	29%	36%	31%
French public school	24%	24%	26%	22%	23%	23%
Public alternative school (religious / language program)	27%	24%	30%	24%	27%	27%
Public charter school	20%	18%	20%	19%	28%	19%
Religious private / independent school	31%	25%	30%	30%	35%	31%
Non-religious private / independent school	24%	24%	22%	22%	28%	22%
Home school	45%	38%	41%	47%	42%	46%

**Q2. [English Public school] What are your perceptions of the quality of Alberta education options?**

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
Very high quality	5%	7%	5%	5%	6%	5%
High quality	42%	49%	41%	40%	45%	44%
Low quality	35%	25%	35%	39%	26%	34%
Very low quality	14%	16%	16%	12%	19%	13%
Not sure	4%	2%	3%	4%	5%	3%
Net: High quality	47%	56%	46%	45%	50%	50%
Net: Low quality	49%	42%	51%	51%	45%	47%

Q2. [Catholic public school] What are your perceptions of the quality of Alberta education options?

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
Very high quality	6%	5%	7%	6%	3%	6%
High quality	40%	36%	36%	43%	41%	41%
Low quality	24%	25%	26%	22%	24%	22%
Very low quality	8%	9%	10%	7%	12%	9%
Not sure	22%	24%	21%	22%	20%	22%
Net: High quality	46%	42%	43%	49%	44%	48%
Net: Low quality	32%	35%	36%	29%	36%	31%

Q2. [French public school] What are your perceptions of the quality of Alberta education options?

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
Very high quality	4%	4%	4%	5%	6%	4%
High quality	30%	31%	29%	29%	26%	31%
Low quality	17%	15%	18%	16%	15%	16%
Very low quality	7%	9%	8%	6%	8%	7%
Not sure	42%	42%	41%	43%	46%	42%
Net: High quality	34%	35%	33%	34%	31%	35%
Net: Low quality	24%	24%	26%	22%	23%	23%

Q2. [Public alternative school (religious / language program)] What are your perceptions of the quality of Alberta education options?

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
Very high quality	3%	7%	3%	3%	4%	3%
High quality	27%	31%	27%	27%	29%	27%
Low quality	19%	13%	20%	17%	17%	19%
Very low quality	9%	11%	10%	7%	10%	8%
Not sure	43%	38%	40%	47%	41%	44%
Net: High quality	30%	38%	30%	30%	32%	29%
Net: Low quality	27%	24%	30%	24%	27%	27%

Q2. [Public charter school] What are your perceptions of the quality of Alberta education options?

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
Very high quality	7%	15%	8%	6%	5%	7%
High quality	36%	29%	36%	38%	30%	36%
Low quality	12%	7%	12%	12%	16%	11%
Very low quality	8%	11%	8%	8%	11%	8%
Not sure	37%	38%	36%	36%	37%	39%
Net: High quality	43%	44%	44%	44%	35%	43%
Net: Low quality	20%	18%	20%	19%	28%	19%

Q2. [Religious private / independent school] What are your perceptions of the quality of Alberta education options?

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
Very high quality	7%	11%	8%	6%	4%	6%
High quality	22%	22%	24%	21%	22%	21%
Low quality	15%	11%	15%	14%	18%	14%
Very low quality	16%	15%	15%	16%	17%	16%
Not sure	40%	42%	38%	43%	39%	42%
Net: High quality	28%	33%	32%	27%	26%	27%
Net: Low quality	31%	25%	30%	30%	35%	31%

Q2. [Non-religious private / independent school] What are your perceptions of the quality of Alberta education options?

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
Very high quality	9%	9%	10%	8%	6%	8%
High quality	26%	18%	28%	25%	26%	26%
Low quality	14%	13%	13%	14%	19%	13%
Very low quality	9%	11%	9%	9%	9%	9%
Not sure	42%	49%	40%	44%	41%	44%
Net: High quality	35%	27%	38%	33%	31%	34%
Net: Low quality	24%	24%	22%	22%	28%	22%

Q2. [Home school] What are your perceptions of the quality of Alberta education options?

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
Very high quality	8%	9%	10%	7%	9%	6%
High quality	17%	18%	17%	14%	14%	18%
Low quality	19%	15%	16%	21%	19%	19%
Very low quality	26%	24%	25%	26%	23%	27%
Not sure	31%	35%	32%	31%	35%	30%
Net: High quality	24%	27%	27%	22%	23%	24%
Net: Low quality	45%	38%	41%	47%	42%	46%

Q3. In general, do you think having a variety of options for K-12 education in Alberta, including public schools, Catholic public schools, French public schools, home education, charter schools and private/independent schools, is a strength, weakness or neither of Alberta's educational system?

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
Strength	40%	44%	41%	42%	39%	38%
Weakness	34%	42%	32%	33%	33%	35%
Neither a strength nor a weakness	19%	9%	20%	19%	16%	21%
Not sure/ Can't say	6%	5%	7%	6%	11%	6%

**Q4. Currently, private/independent schools receive operational funding per student from the Alberta government at about 30% less than the per-student funding that goes to public schools. Do you think they should...**

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
Receive more public funding than they do now	12%	13%	11%	12%	17%	10%
Receive about the same	21%	18%	22%	21%	21%	21%
Receive less public funding than they do now	15%	20%	15%	13%	8%	16%
Receive no public funding at all	49%	45%	49%	49%	51%	50%
Not sure/ Can't say	4%	4%	3%	5%	3%	3%

**Q5. How about you? Which of these two statements is closer to your view:**

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
Private/independent schools save the government money because they receive less per-student operational funding than pub	27%	31%	27%	29%	30%	25%
Private/independent schools take away resources that should be going to public schools	65%	62%	65%	63%	63%	67%
Not sure/ Can't say	8%	7%	8%	9%	8%	8%

**Q6. Currently, public charter schools receive equal per-student funding from the Alberta government for operational expenses. Do you think they should...**

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
Receive more public funding than they do now	6%	5%	5%	5%	9%	6%
Receive about the same	40%	33%	40%	41%	36%	39%
Receive less public funding than they do now	19%	25%	21%	15%	16%	19%
Receive no public funding at all	25%	24%	23%	25%	29%	24%
Not sure/ Can't say	11%	13%	10%	13%	10%	12%

**Q7. [NET Support] if a parent decides that a private/independent school best suits their child's particular needs, do you support or oppose government funding going to the school for...**

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
A child with special needs attending that school	66%	71%	69%	65%	58%	66%
A child from a low-income family attending that school	42%	40%	42%	41%	43%	39%
A child from a medium-income family attending that school	38%	38%	36%	38%	37%	35%
A child from a high-income family attending that school	30%	31%	28%	29%	31%	28%

**Q7. [NET Oppose] if a parent decides that a private/independent school best suits their child's particular needs, do you support or oppose government funding going to the school for...**

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
A child with special needs attending that school	26%	25%	22%	28%	36%	27%
A child from a low-income family attending that school	46%	49%	45%	48%	48%	49%
A child from a medium-income family attending that school	54%	55%	53%	54%	57%	57%
A child from a high-income family attending that school	65%	62%	65%	65%	63%	67%

**Q7. [A child with special needs attending that school] if a parent decides that a private/independent school best suits their child's particular needs, do you support or oppose government funding going to the school for...**

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
Strongly support	27%	25%	32%	24%	22%	25%
Support	39%	45%	37%	40%	36%	41%
Oppose	13%	16%	11%	16%	20%	14%
Strongly oppose	13%	9%	11%	12%	16%	13%
Not sure/ Can't say	7%	4%	9%	7%	6%	7%
Net: Support	66%	71%	69%	65%	58%	66%
Net: Oppose	26%	25%	22%	28%	36%	27%

**Q7. [A child from a low-income family attending that school] if a parent decides that a private/independent school best suits their child's particular needs, do you support or oppose government funding going to the school for...**

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
<b>Strongly support</b>	16%	13%	17%	15%	18%	14%
<b>Support</b>	26%	27%	25%	27%	25%	25%
<b>Oppose</b>	28%	31%	27%	29%	26%	29%
<b>Strongly oppose</b>	19%	18%	18%	19%	22%	20%
<b>Not sure/ Can't say</b>	12%	11%	13%	11%	10%	12%
<b>Net: Support</b>	42%	40%	42%	41%	43%	39%
<b>Net: Oppose</b>	46%	49%	45%	48%	48%	49%

**Q7. [A child from a medium-income family attending that school] if a parent decides that a private/independent school best suits their child's particular needs, do you support or oppose government funding going to the school for...**

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
<b>Strongly support</b>	13%	9%	15%	11%	17%	10%
<b>Support</b>	25%	29%	22%	27%	20%	24%
<b>Oppose</b>	29%	25%	28%	30%	33%	30%
<b>Strongly oppose</b>	25%	29%	25%	24%	24%	26%
<b>Not sure/ Can't say</b>	8%	7%	10%	8%	6%	9%
<b>Net: Support</b>	38%	38%	36%	38%	37%	35%
<b>Net: Oppose</b>	54%	55%	53%	54%	57%	57%

**Q7. [A child from a high-income family attending that school] if a parent decides that a private/independent school best suits their child's particular needs, do you support or oppose government funding going to the school for...**

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
<b>Strongly support</b>	12%	9%	13%	11%	15%	9%
<b>Support</b>	18%	22%	15%	18%	16%	18%
<b>Oppose</b>	22%	16%	21%	24%	22%	22%
<b>Strongly oppose</b>	43%	45%	44%	40%	41%	44%
<b>Not sure/ Can't say</b>	6%	7%	7%	6%	6%	6%
<b>Net: Support</b>	30%	31%	28%	29%	31%	28%
<b>Net: Oppose</b>	65%	62%	65%	65%	63%	67%

**Q8. [Net Agree] Agreement with statements**

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
All Alberta students should have government-funded access to the type of education that best suits their individual needs	67%	69%	69%	67%	64%	66%
Alberta's charter and private/independent schools play an important role in meeting Albertan student needs	42%	38%	41%	43%	38%	40%
Alberta has a strong and healthy public education system	30%	31%	26%	31%	41%	30%
The government of Alberta should expand access to educational opportunities within public schools.	84%	80%	85%	85%	83%	85%
The government of Alberta should expand access to educational opportunities outside of public schools	38%	36%	35%	40%	39%	36%

**Q8. [Net Disagree] Agreement with statements**

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
All Alberta students should have government-funded access to the type of education that best suits their individual needs	25%	22%	22%	26%	27%	25%
Alberta's charter and private/independent schools play an important role in meeting Albertan student needs	49%	51%	49%	48%	50%	50%
Alberta has a strong and healthy public education system	68%	67%	72%	66%	57%	68%
The government of Alberta should expand access to educational opportunities within public schools.	7%	5%	6%	8%	10%	7%
The government of Alberta should expand access to educational opportunities outside of public schools	52%	56%	54%	50%	51%	54%

**Q8. Agreement - All Alberta students should have government-funded access to the type of education that best suits their individual needs**

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
Strongly agree	31%	31%	37%	31%	24%	31%
Agree	36%	38%	33%	37%	40%	35%
Disagree	17%	18%	16%	18%	18%	18%
Strongly disagree	7%	4%	6%	7%	9%	8%
Not sure/ Can't say	8%	9%	8%	7%	10%	9%
Net: Agree	67%	69%	69%	67%	64%	66%
Net: Disagree	25%	22%	22%	26%	27%	25%

**Q8. Agreement - Alberta's charter and private/independent schools play an important role in meeting Albertan student needs**

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
Strongly agree	17%	20%	19%	16%	19%	15%
Agree	25%	18%	22%	27%	19%	24%
Disagree	23%	16%	21%	24%	24%	22%
Strongly disagree	26%	35%	28%	24%	27%	28%
Not sure/ Can't say	9%	11%	11%	9%	11%	10%
Net: Agree	42%	38%	41%	43%	38%	40%
Net: Disagree	49%	51%	49%	48%	50%	50%

**Q8. Agreement - Alberta has a strong and healthy public education system**

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
Strongly agree	6%	4%	6%	7%	10%	7%
Agree	23%	27%	20%	24%	31%	23%
Disagree	36%	38%	40%	36%	26%	36%
Strongly disagree	32%	29%	33%	30%	31%	32%
Not sure/ Can't say	3%	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%
Net: Agree	30%	31%	26%	31%	41%	30%
Net: Disagree	68%	67%	72%	66%	57%	68%

**Q8. Agreement - The government of Alberta should expand access to educational opportunities within public schools.**

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
Strongly agree	46%	53%	51%	44%	40%	46%
Agree	38%	27%	34%	41%	43%	39%
Disagree	6%	4%	5%	5%	7%	5%
Strongly disagree	2%	2%	1%	2%	3%	2%
Not sure/ Can't say	8%	15%	9%	7%	8%	8%
Net: Agree	84%	80%	85%	85%	83%	85%
Net: Disagree	7%	5%	6%	8%	10%	7%

**Q8. Agreement - The government of Alberta should expand access to educational opportunities outside of public schools**

	Total	Kids Age				Kids Attend
		5 and under	6-12	13-17	18+	Public school
<b>Strongly agree</b>	13%	9%	14%	12%	14%	12%
<b>Agree</b>	25%	27%	21%	28%	25%	25%
<b>Disagree</b>	24%	24%	25%	21%	17%	25%
<b>Strongly disagree</b>	28%	33%	28%	29%	34%	29%
<b>Not sure/ Can't say</b>	10%	7%	11%	10%	10%	9%
<b>Net: Agree</b>	38%	36%	35%	40%	39%	36%
<b>Net: Disagree</b>	52%	56%	54%	50%	51%	54%