

# Town of Ponoka

## 2019 Citizen Satisfaction Survey

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GAME CHANGERS



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# Context and Methodology

## Context

- Ponoka, a growing community of approximately 7,229 residents settled in the Battle River Valley, is dedicated to maintaining a high quality of life for its residents and to meaningfully engaging its citizens.
- One of the keys to accomplishing this is to understand residents' awareness, involvement, preferences and satisfaction with the Town's programs, services, events, and decision-making.
- To this end, the Town of Ponoka commissioned a survey to provide a comprehensive evaluation of citizens' opinions on topics such as satisfaction with Town services and priorities they feel deserve the attention of municipal leaders.
- Ultimately, the research will help Town staff and Council make more informed decisions concerning strategic planning and budgeting.

## Methodology

- Between September 12th and 30th, 2019, Ipsos conducted telephone interviews with a representative sample of 400 randomly selected Ponoka residents aged 18 years or older.
  - 33% of the interviews were conducted with cell phone sample and 67% with landline sample
- Final data were weighted to ensure the age/gender distribution reflects that of the actual population in Ponoka according to the most recent Census data.
- Factoring the population size of Ponoka as being under 8,000 residents, the overall results are accurate to within  $\pm 4.8$  percentage points, 19 times out of 20. The margin of error will be larger for sample subgroups.
- The average interview duration was 21 minutes.



# SUMMARY: KEY OBSERVATIONS





## Key Observations

- ❖ **Citizens provide high rating (92%) for the overall quality of life in Ponoka.**
  - Most residents say their quality of life has been stable over the past 3 years, and slightly more residents feel it has improved (23%) than worsened (19%).
  - In residents' own words, the high quality of life they experience is premised on the atmosphere of a 'friendly', 'peaceful', 'small community' which offers social services, recreational opportunities and local amenities.
- ❖ **Opportunities for improvement focus on recreation, economic development and growth and road/sidewalk maintenance.**
  - Recreation: Recreation ranks #1 on the issue agenda, ranks #2 for 'more' investment and receives relatively lower overall satisfaction ratings. Recreation is highly important to residents, of which a slight majority (53%) would support increasing property taxes to fund building a Community Wellness Centre.
  - Economic development and growth: This is also highly important to residents, ranks #1 of all services requiring 'more' investment and receives the lowest overall satisfaction ratings of all 14 municipal services evaluated. While three-quarters of residents are making day-to-day purchases in Ponoka, only 18% are making big-ticket purchases in the Town. Red Deer garners the highest proportion of 'out-of-Ponoka' purchases.
  - Road and sidewalk maintenance: This service area ranks high in terms of importance, ranks highly on the issue agenda, is the #3 area in which 'more' investment is desired, and receives relatively lower satisfaction ratings.
- ❖ **Satisfaction with Town communications is strong and multiple communications channels are required to reach the masses.**
  - Eight-in-ten (79%) residents express satisfaction with Town Communications and the Hometown Weekly News page is the most widely used mode of Town communication, followed by the website and the Town's Facebook page. Preferred channels of communication differ by age groups denoting the need for continued multiple channels of communication.



# ISSUE AGENDA

# Issue Agenda



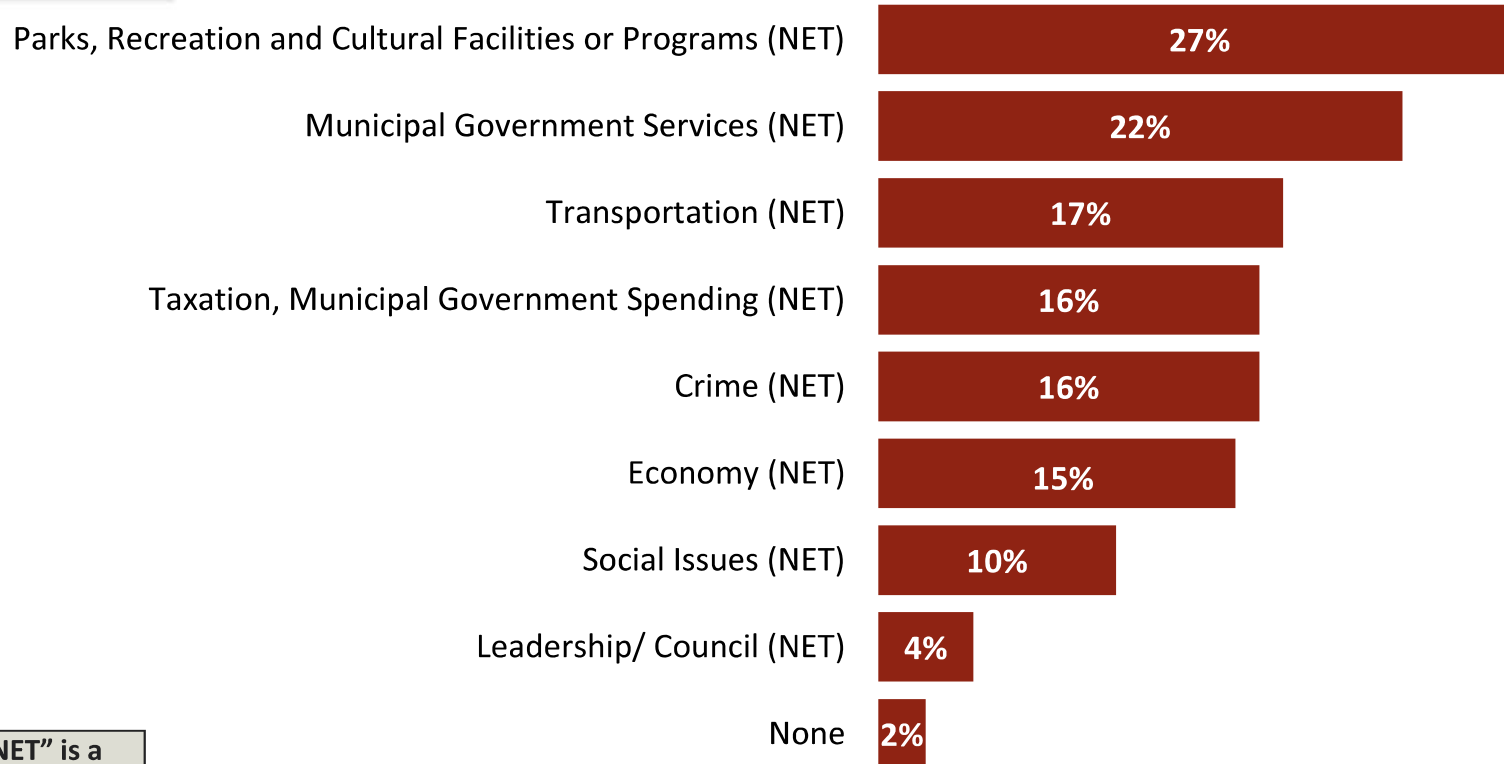
- ❖ Citizens identify **parks, recreation, and cultural facilities or programs** (27% of open-ended responses) and **municipal government services** (22% of open-ended responses) as the two priorities most in need of attention from local leaders.
  - The main mentions included under **parks, recreation and cultural facilities or programs** are “more/better recreational facilities/centres” (9%) and “more/better programs/activities/facilities for children” (4%).
    - Parks and recreation mentions are higher among those <55 years of age (includes 30% of 18-34 years and 35% of 35-54 years vs. 19% of 55+ years), those living in households with children under the age of 18 (39% vs. 21% of those without children at home), and those with household incomes of \$60K-<\$120K (32% vs. 22% of <\$60K, 31% of \$120K+ ).
  - The main mentions included under **municipal government services** are “infrastructure updates/improvement” (8%) and “beautification/cleanliness of downtown/community” (5%).
    - Mentions are higher among men (26% vs. 18% of women) and those with household incomes of either \$120K+ or <\$60K (32% and 26% vs. 16% of \$60K-<\$120k).
- ❖ Other important local priorities include **transportation** (17%), **taxation/municipal government spending** (16%), **crime** (16%), **economy** (15%), and **social issues** (10%).

## ISSUE AGENDA

# Most Important Priorities: Key Themes



### Multiple Responses



Note: A "NET" is a combination of 2 or more mentions that cover a specific theme

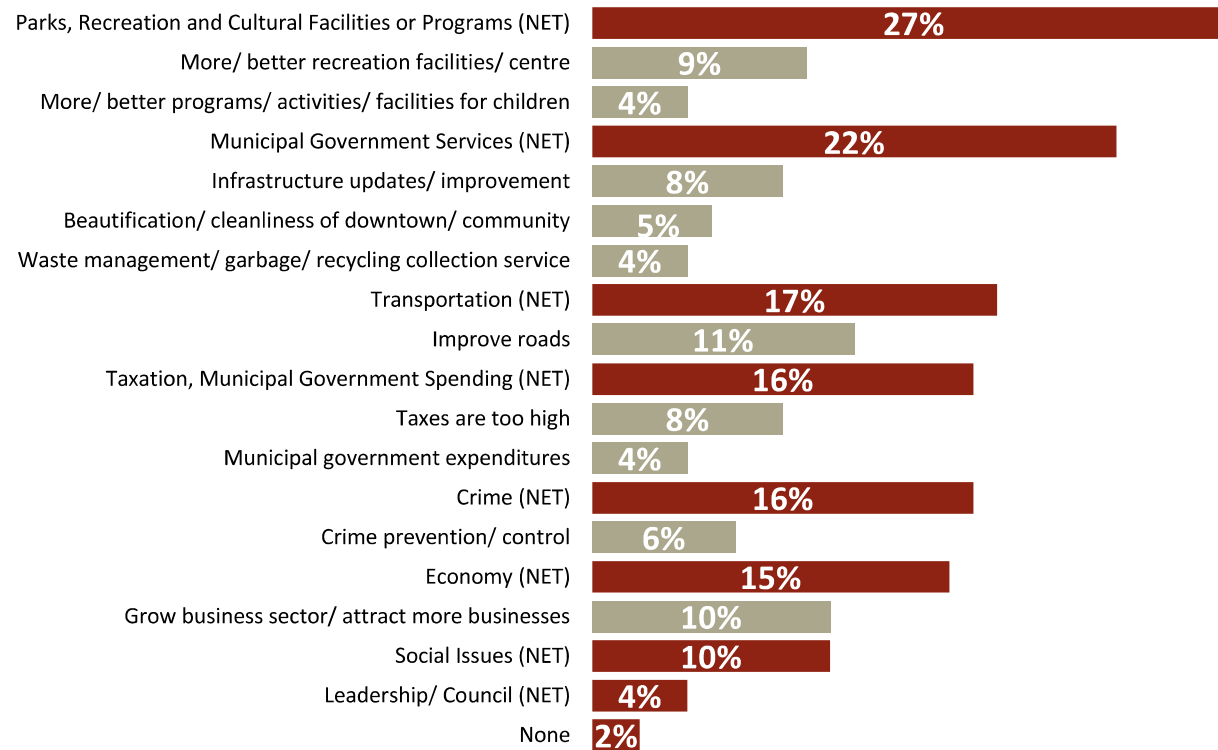
**Q1. In your view, as a resident of The Town of Ponoka, what is the most important priority or topic facing your community that you feel should receive the greatest attention from your local municipal leaders? Base: All respondents (n=400)**

## ISSUE AGENDA

# Most Important Local Issues: Specifics of Top Issues



### Multiple Responses



**Q1. In your view, as a resident of The Town of Ponoka, what is the most important priority or topic facing your community that you feel should receive the greatest attention from your local municipal leaders? Base: All respondents (n=400)**



# QUALITY OF LIFE





# Quality of Life

## OVERALL QUALITY OF LIFE

- ❖ Overall perceptions of Ponoka's quality of life are favourable, with 92% of citizens rating this as 'very good' (28%) or 'good' (65%).
  - Perceptions of quality of life (combined 'very good/good' responses) are higher among women (95% vs. 89% of men), older residents (94% of 55+ years vs. 89% of 35-54 years), and those with household incomes of <\$60K (97% vs. 90% of \$120K+, 91% of \$60K-<\$120K).

## CHANGE IN QUALITY OF LIFE

- ❖ The majority (56%) of residents say the quality of life in Ponoka has 'stayed the same' in the past three years. Among those saying the quality of life has changed, more say it has 'improved' (23%) than 'worsened' (19%), resulting in a net momentum score of +4 percentage points.
  - Perceptions of an 'improved' quality of life are higher among younger residents (43% of 18-34 years vs. 15% of 55+ years, 19% of 35-54 years) and those living in households with children under the age of 18 (30% vs. 20% of those without children at home).
  - Perceptions of a 'worsened' quality of life are statistically consistent across all key demographic segments.

# Quality of Life

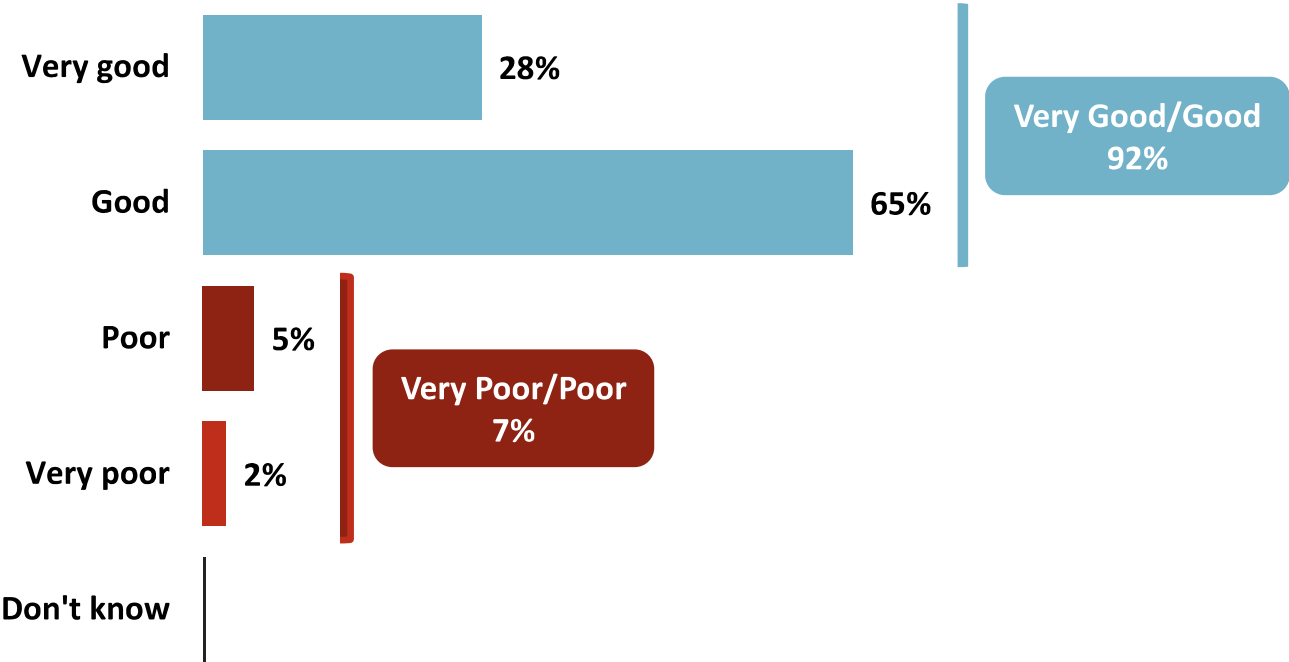


## FACTORS THAT CONTRIBUTE TO A HIGH QUALITY OF LIFE

- ❖ When asked to identify factors that contribute to a high quality of life in Ponoka, citizens' three leading open-ended responses are **town/community** (27%), **social services** (23%), and **parks/recreation** (22%).
  - The main mentions included under **town/community** are “small town feel” (8%), “friendly community/people” (5%), “quiet/peaceful town” (4%), and “sense of community” (4%).
  - The main mentions included under **social services** are “healthcare” (9%), “good/enough/access to services/facilities” (9%) and “good/enough services/ facilities for the elderly” (4%).
    - Mentions related to social services are higher among older residents (28% of 55+ years vs. 16% of 18-34 years, 22% of 35-54 years).
  - The main mentions included under **parks/recreation** are “good/enough parks/trails/green spaces” (6%), “good/variety of recreation/recreational activities/programs” (4%), sports facilities/programs (3%), and Stampede (3%).
    - Mentions are higher among those living in households with children under the age of 18 (28% vs. 19% of those without children at home).
- ❖ The additional key factors contributing to the quality of life in Ponoka include:
  - Amenities, including businesses and shopping (15%);
  - Safety (14%);
  - The economy (11%); and,
  - The central location of the Town (11%).

QUALITY OF LIFE

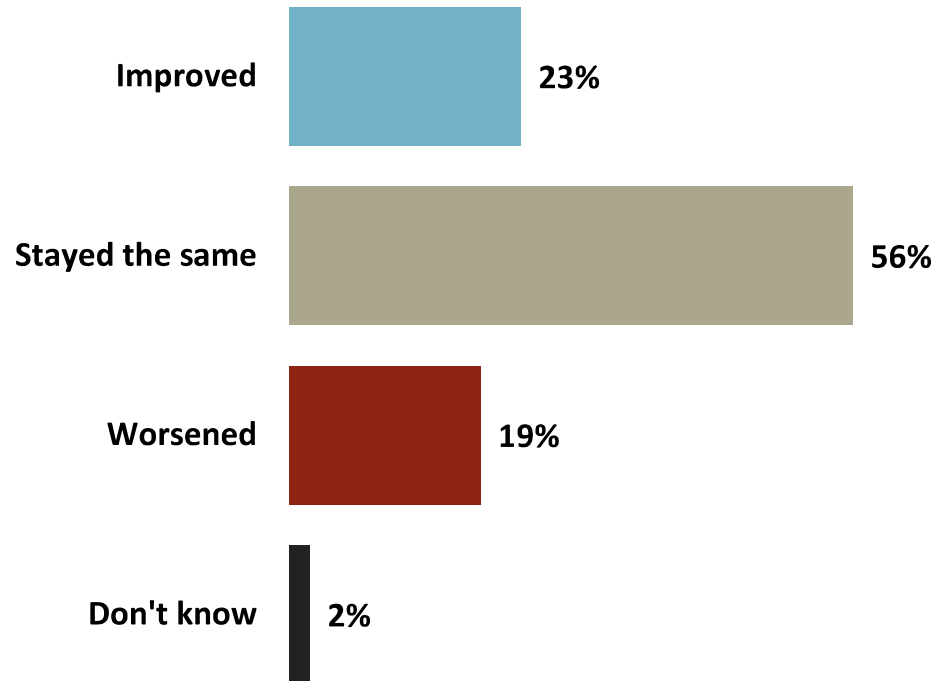
# Overall Quality of Life



Q2. How would you rate the overall quality of life in The Town of Ponoka today?  
Base: All respondents (n=400)

## QUALITY OF LIFE

# Perceived Change in the Quality of Life



Net Score Improved –  
Worsened = +4

Q3. Do you feel that the quality of life in The Town of Ponoka in the past 3 years has...?

Base: All respondents (n=400)

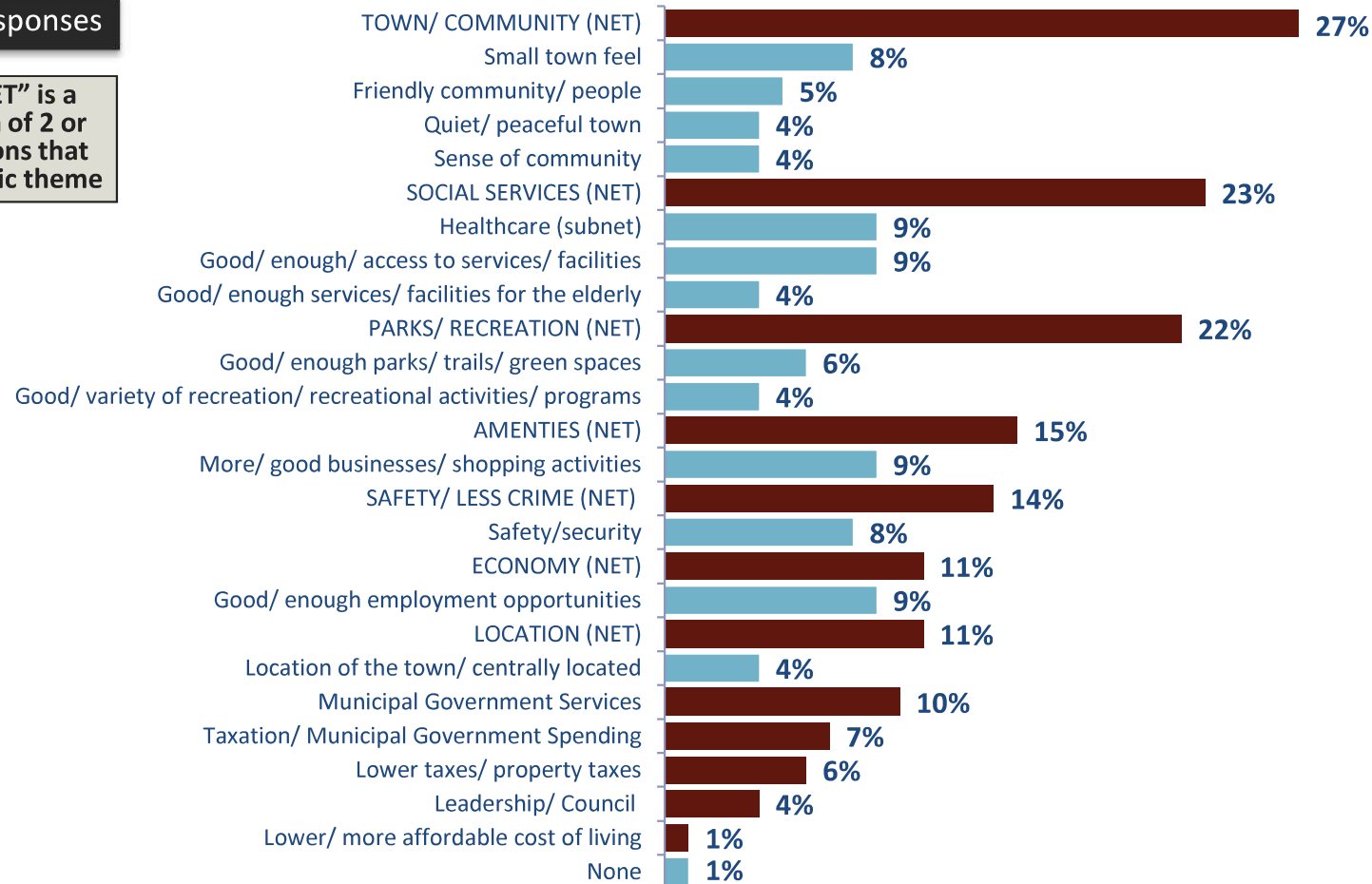
## QUALITY OF LIFE

# Factors Contributing to a High Quality of Life



### Multiple Responses

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**Q4. What would you say are the three most significant factors that contribute to a high quality of life in Ponoka?**

Base: All respondents (n=400)



# EVALUATION OF TOWN SERVICES





## Overall Satisfaction with Town Services

- ❖ More than eight-in-ten (81%) citizens say they are satisfied with the **overall level and quality of services** provided by the Town of Ponoka. Of this, 19% say 'very satisfied' and 61% say 'somewhat satisfied'.
  - Satisfaction (combined 'very/somewhat satisfied' responses) is higher among those:
    - Living in households without children under the age of 18 (84% vs. 74% of those with children at home);
    - With household incomes <\$60K (84% vs. 73% of \$120K+); and,
    - Without children in the household (84% vs. 74% who have children).
- ❖ Of the evaluated services, the **highest satisfaction ratings** (combined 'very/somewhat satisfied' responses) go to:
  - Fire protection services (91% satisfied, including 61% 'very satisfied'); and,
  - Utility services, including water, sewer and electrical (91% satisfied, including 49% 'very satisfied').
- ❖ A strong majority also say they are satisfied with:
  - Recreation trail system (88% satisfied, 40% 'very satisfied');
  - Special community events, such as Canada Day, Family Day, Day in the Park summer festival, etc. (85% satisfied, 38% 'very satisfied');
  - Curbside collection of garbage, recycling and composting (84% satisfied, 54% 'very satisfied');
  - Parks and playground maintenance (84% satisfied, 36% 'very satisfied'); and,
  - Policing (81% satisfied, 35% 'very satisfied').



## Satisfaction with Town Services

- ❖ The following seven services receive relatively lower satisfaction ratings (both overall and in intensity), although these are still deemed satisfactory by the majority of residents:
- Animal control services (75% satisfied, 29% 'very satisfied');
  - Snow removal (70% satisfied, 26% 'very satisfied');
  - Recreation, including the Aquaplex, arena and all other recreation facilities and programs (69% satisfied, 20% 'very satisfied');
  - Road and sidewalk maintenance (69% satisfied, 25% 'very satisfied');
  - Downtown revitalization which includes the Downtown Action Plan (66% satisfied, 11% 'very satisfied');
  - Bylaw enforcement (64% satisfied, 20% 'very satisfied'); and,
  - Economic development and growth (63% satisfied, 16% 'very satisfied').



## Importance of Town Services

- ❖ Of the 15 evaluated programs and services, 10 receive an importance rating higher than 90% (combined 'very/somewhat important' responses). Many of these also receive high 'very important' scores, as follows:
  - Road and sidewalk maintenance (98% important, 72% 'very important');
  - Policing (98% important, 91% 'very important');
  - Snow removal (98% important, 76% 'very important');
  - Fire protection services (97% important, 91% 'very important');
  - Utility services, including water, sewer and electrical (97% important, 88% 'very important');
  - Economic development and growth (95% important, 75% 'very important');
  - Curbside collection of garbage, recycling and composting (95% important, 74% 'very important');
  - Parks and playground maintenance (92% important, 61% 'very important'); and,
  - Recreation, including the Aquaplex, arena and all other recreation facilities and programs (91% important, 66% 'very important').
- ❖ Relatively lower importance scores (albeit still strong importance scores) are given for:
  - Bylaw enforcement (85%);
  - Recreation trail system (83%);
  - Downtown revitalization (81%);
  - Special community events (81%); and,
  - Animal control services (78%).



## Importance vs. Satisfaction

When pitting the level of importance residents place on municipal services against residents' satisfaction levels with the 14 municipal services evaluated, we can separate services into categories, with the two primary categories being:

### **Key Strengths: Service areas that are highly important and for which residents are highly satisfied**

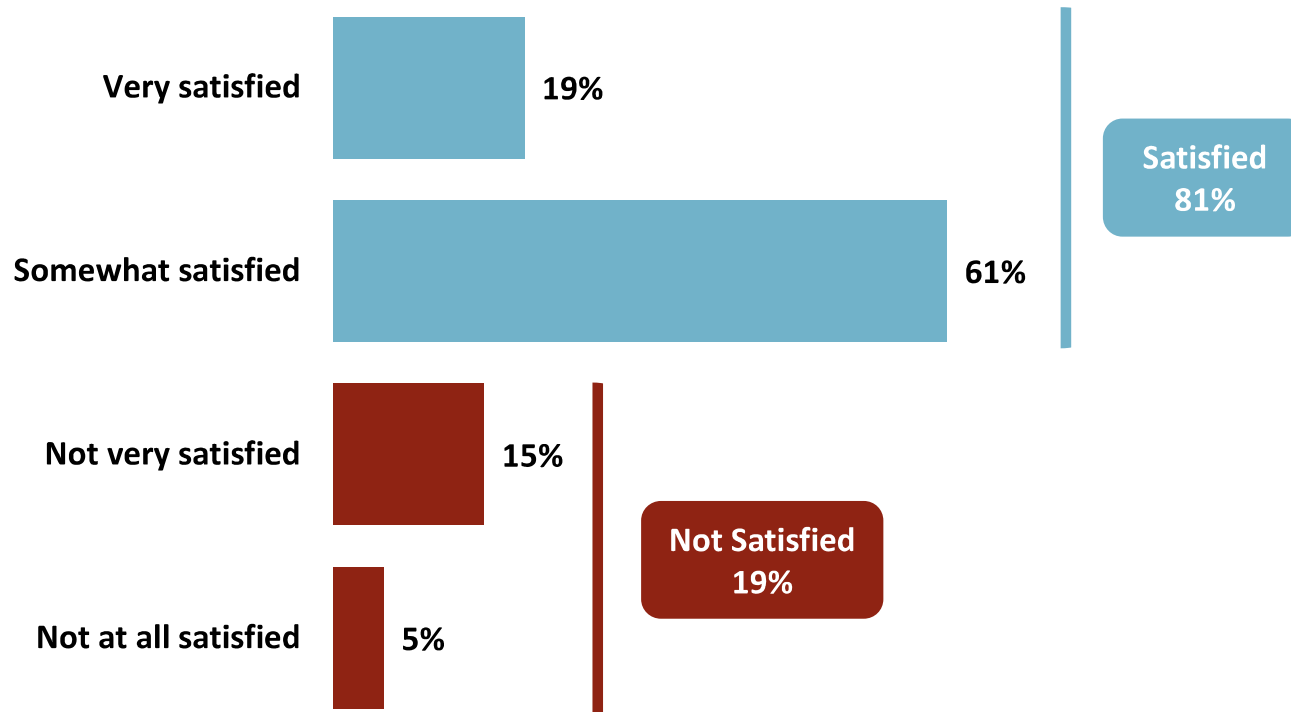
- Policing;
- Fire protection;
- Utility services;
- Waste management; and,
- Parks and playgrounds maintenance.

### **Opportunities for Improvement: Service areas that are highly important and for which residents are less satisfied**

- Road/sidewalk maintenance;
- Snow removal;
- Economic development and growth; and,
- Recreation.

## EVALUATION OF TOWN SERVICES

# Overall Satisfaction with the Overall Level and Quality of Town Services

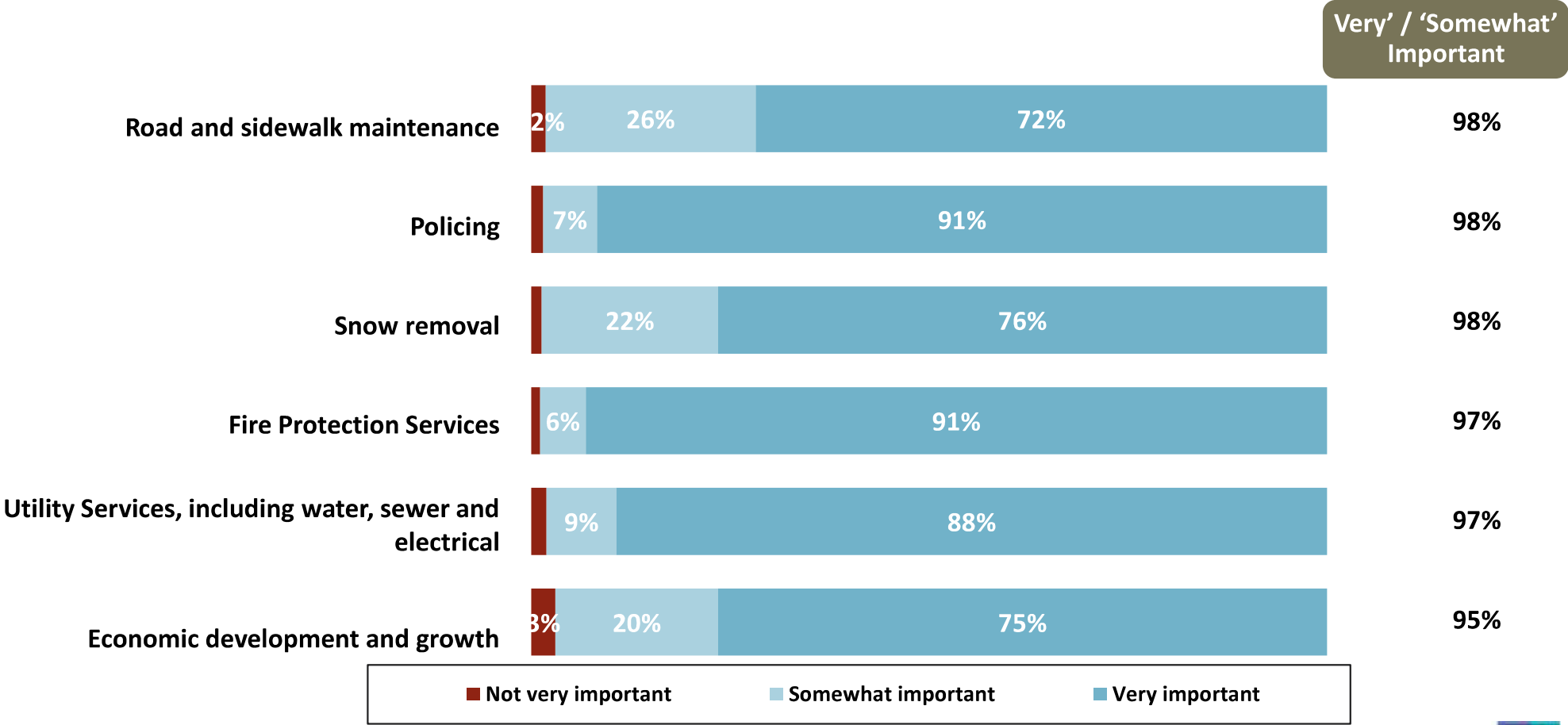


CV1. How satisfied are you with the overall level and quality of services provided by The Town of Ponoka?

Base: All respondents (n=400)

EVALUATION OF TOWN SERVICES

# Importance of Town Services

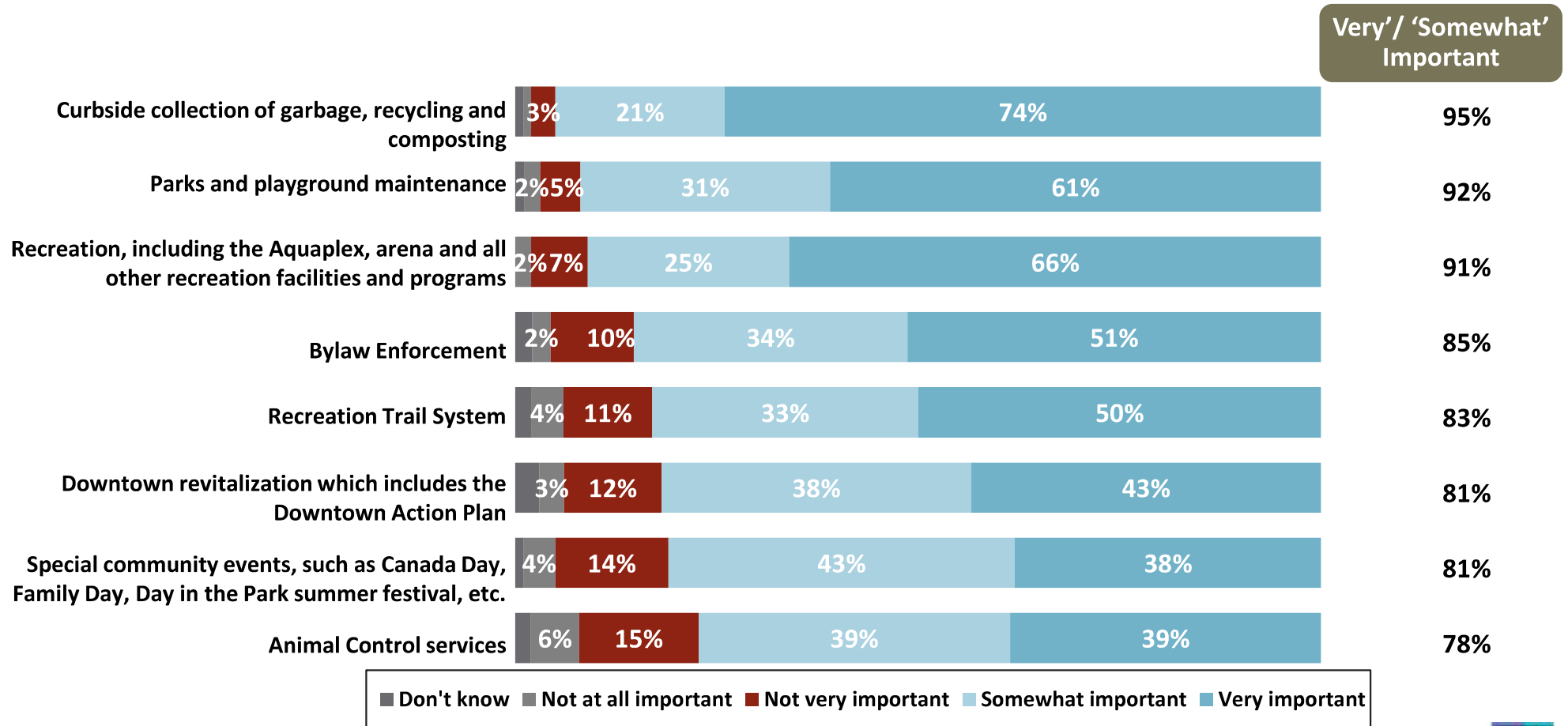


CV2\_1. Please tell me how important each one is to you?  
Base: All respondents (n=400)



## EVALUATION OF TOWN SERVICES

# Importance of Town Services

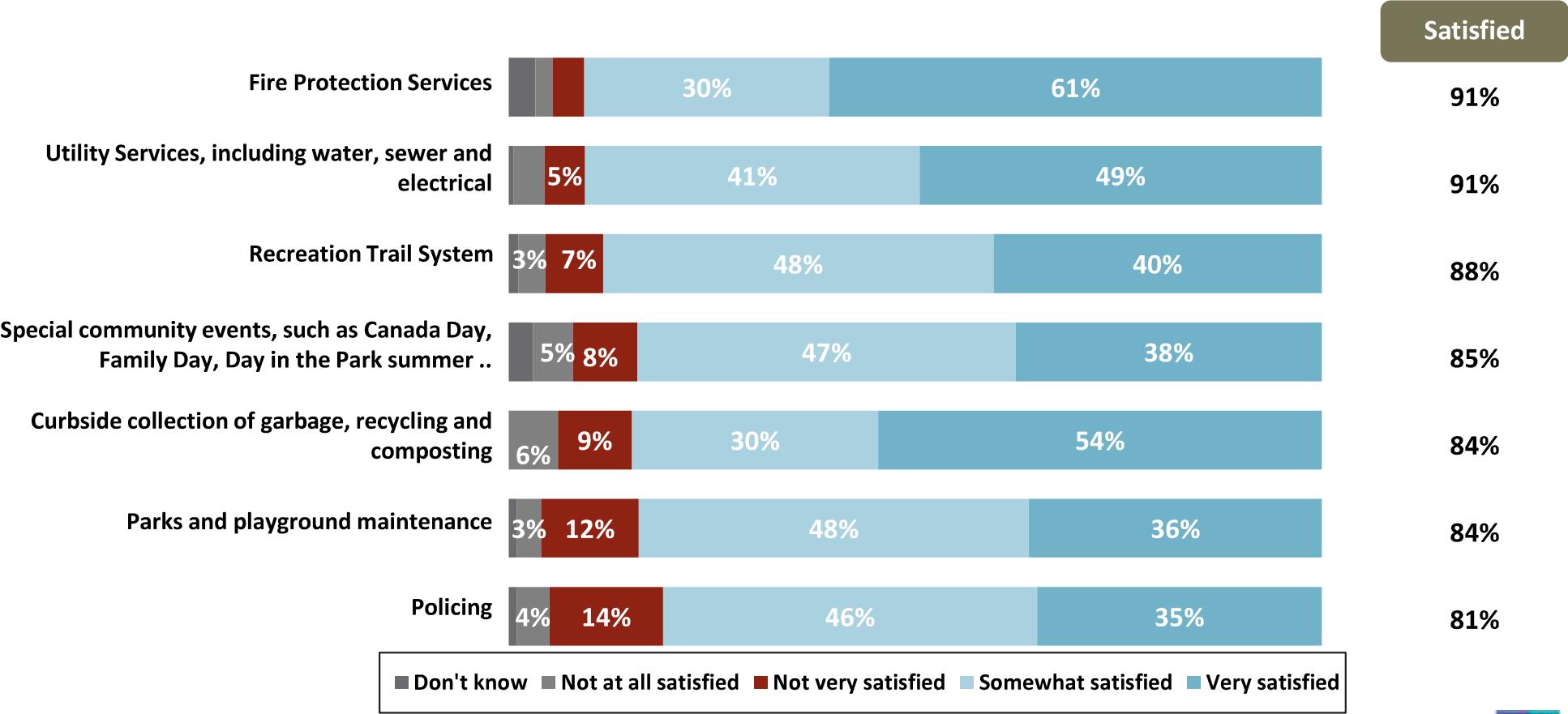


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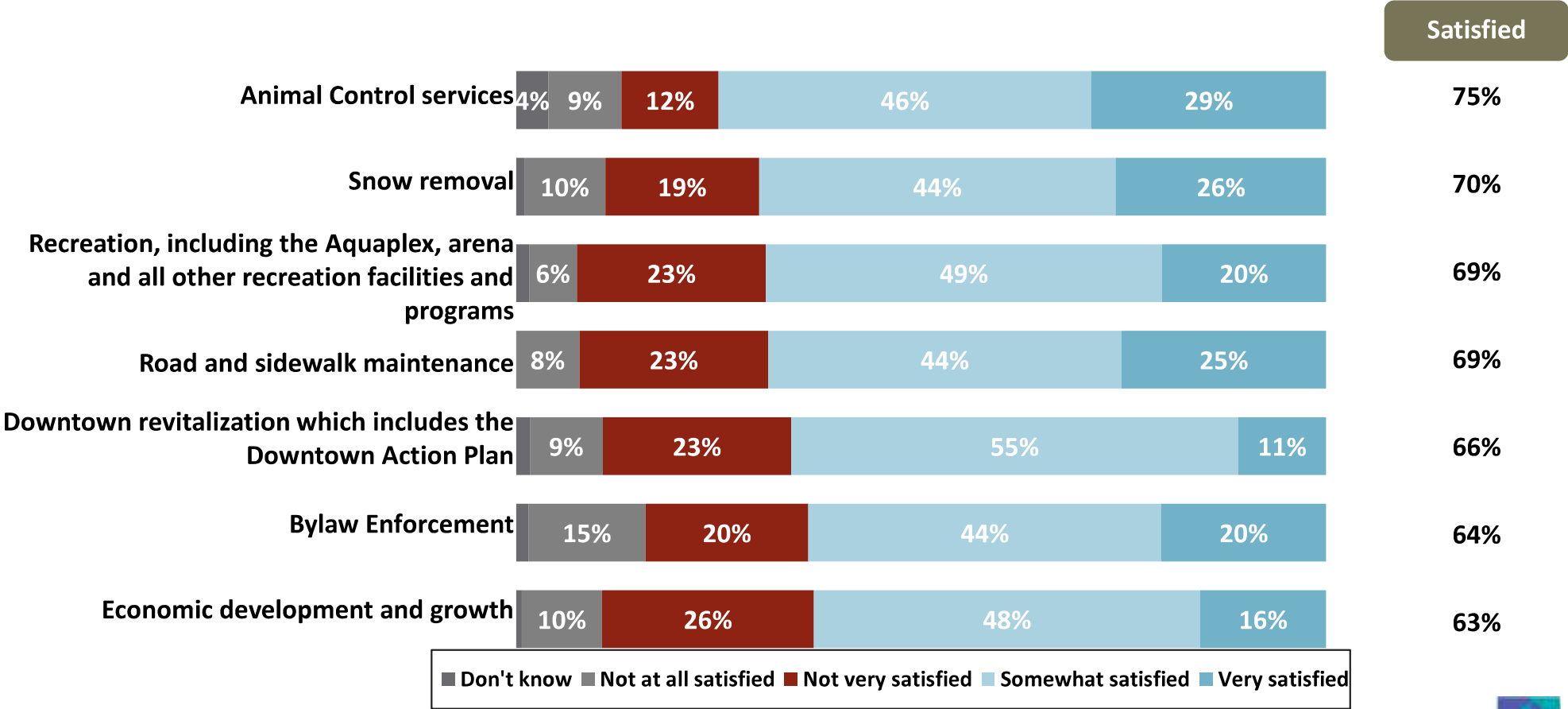
# Satisfaction with Town Services



CV2\_2. How satisfied you are with the job The Town is doing in providing that program or service?  
Base: All respondents (n=400)

EVALUATION OF TOWN SERVICES

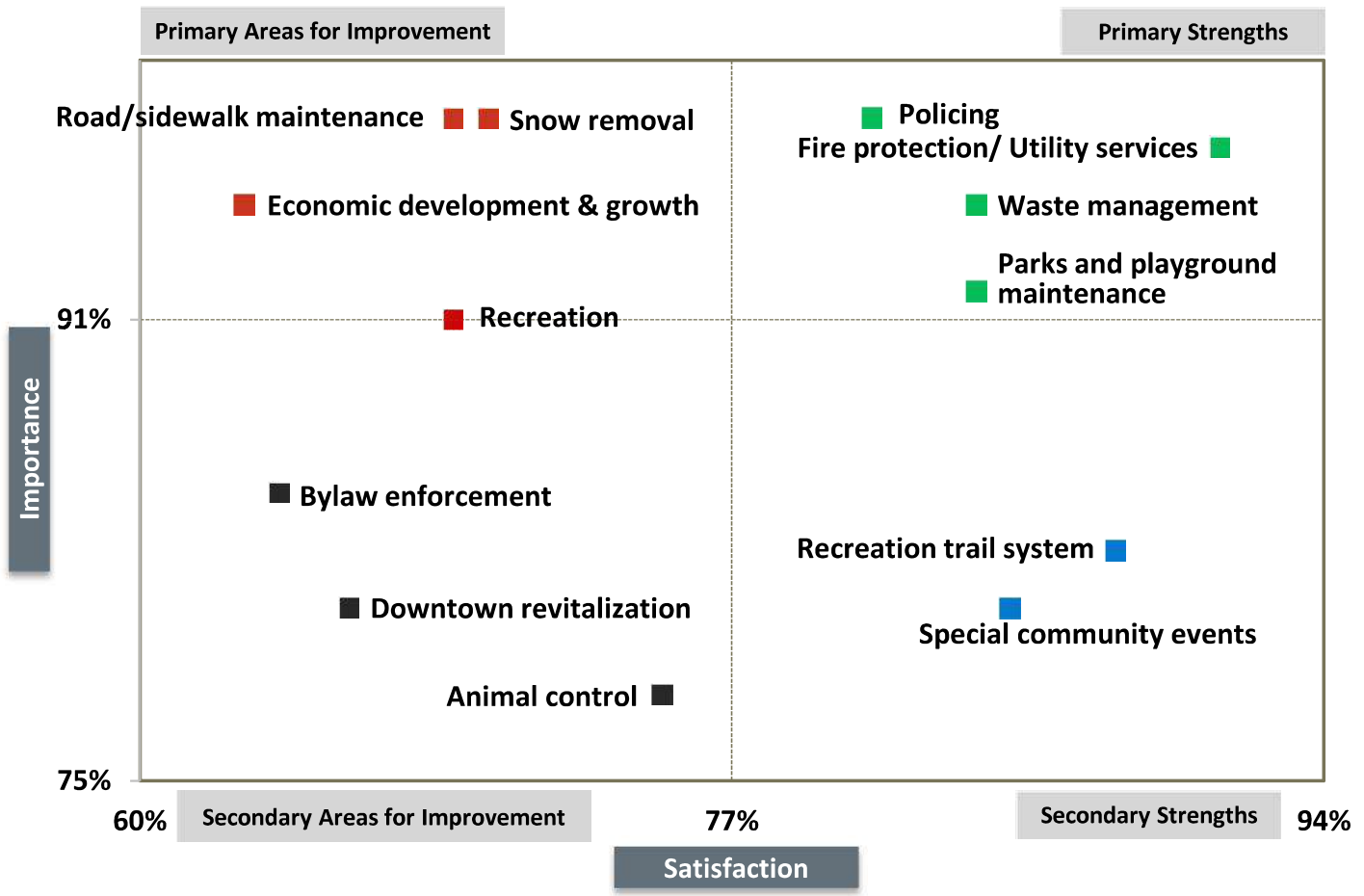
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Base: All respondents (n=400)



# Importance vs. Satisfaction Grid





# INVESTMENT IN TOWN SERVICES



## Investment in Town Services

- ❖ Citizens think the Town should invest more or the same in all the evaluated services; there are no areas where a majority of residents think the Town should reduce investment. However, there are clearly some that are a greater spending priority.
- ❖ Overall, citizens' top five priorities for investment are:
  - **Economic development and growth** (63% 'invest more');
    - Higher among those who are 35-54 years of age (77% vs. 56% of 55+ years, 59% of 18-34 years) and those with household incomes of \$60K+ (includes 74% of \$60K-<\$120K and 79% of \$120K+ vs. 46% of <\$60K);
  - **Recreation, including the Aquaplex, arena and all other recreation facilities and programs** (61% 'invest more');
    - Higher among those <55 years of age (includes 78% of 18-34 years and 71% of 35-54 years vs. 42% of 55+ years), those living in households with children under the age of 18 (81% vs. 50% of those without children at home), and those with household incomes of \$60K+ (includes 70% of \$60K-<\$120K and 71% of \$120K+ vs. 49% of <\$60K);
  - **Road and sidewalk maintenance** (58% 'invest more');
    - Higher among those who are 35-54 years of age (65% vs. 54% of 55+ years, 57% of 18-34 years);
  - **Policing** (56% 'invest more');
    - Higher among those who are 35-54 years of age (70% vs. 48% of 55+ years, 52% of 18-34 years) and those with household incomes of \$60K-<\$120K (63% vs. 47% of <\$60K, 58% of \$120K+); and,
  - **Snow removal** (54% 'invest more');
    - Higher among those who are <55 years of age (includes 61% of 18-34 years and 62% of 35-54 years vs. 44% of 55+ years) and those with household incomes of <\$120K (59% vs. 39% of \$120K+).





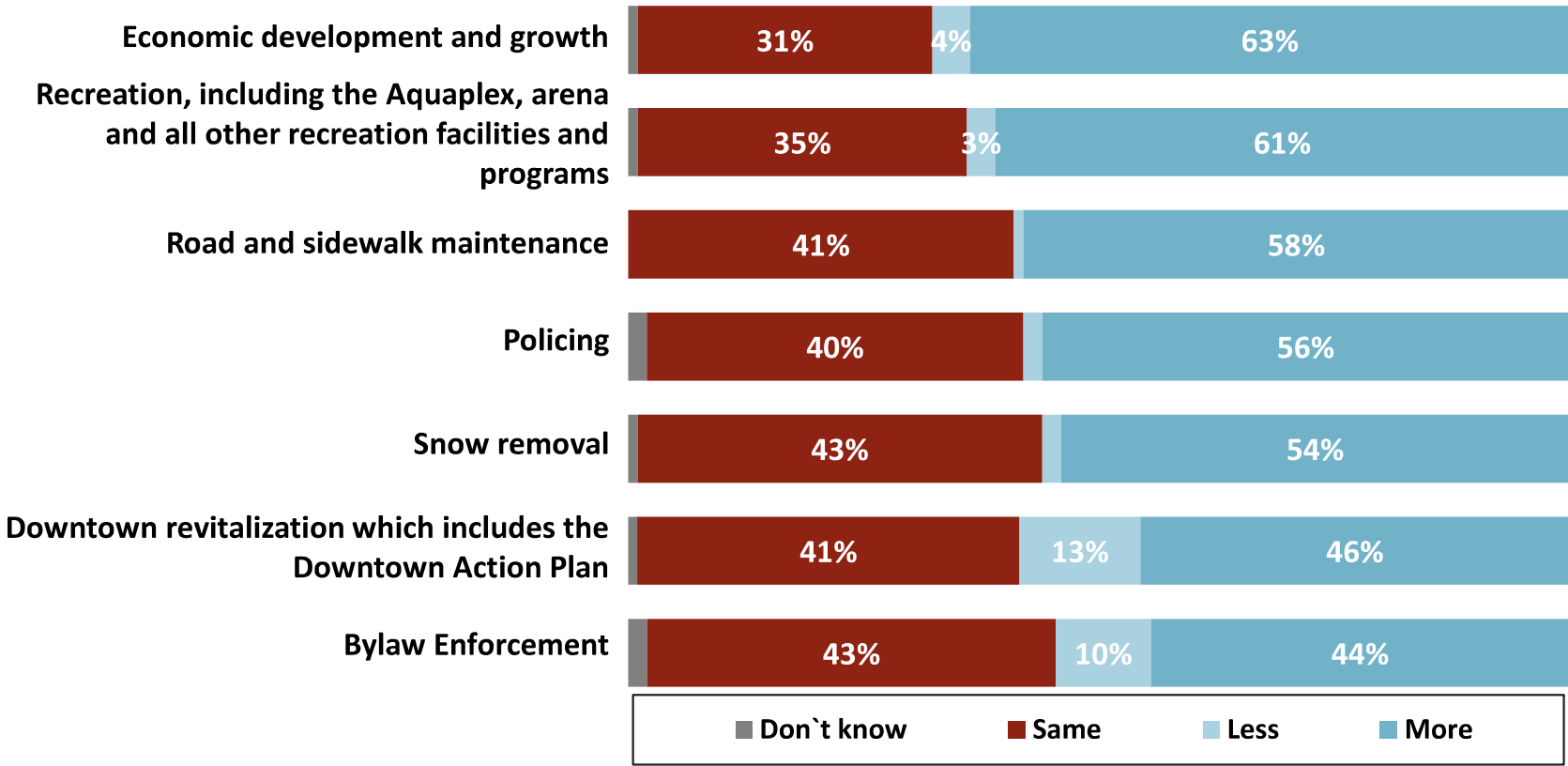
## Investment in Town Services

Fewer than one-half of residents say the Town should 'invest more' in each of the remaining services:

- Downtown revitalization which includes the Downtown Action Plan (46% 'invest more');
- Bylaw enforcement (44% 'invest more');
- Parks and playground maintenance (43% 'invest more');
- Animal control services (30% 'invest more');
- Recreation trail system (28% 'invest more');
- Fire protection services (27% 'invest more');
- Special community events, such as Canada Day, Family Day, Day in the Park summer festival, etc. (26% 'invest more');
- Utility services, including water, sewer, and electrical (25% 'invest more'); and,
- Curbside collection of garbage, recycling and composting (21% 'invest more').

EVALUATION OF TOWN SERVICES

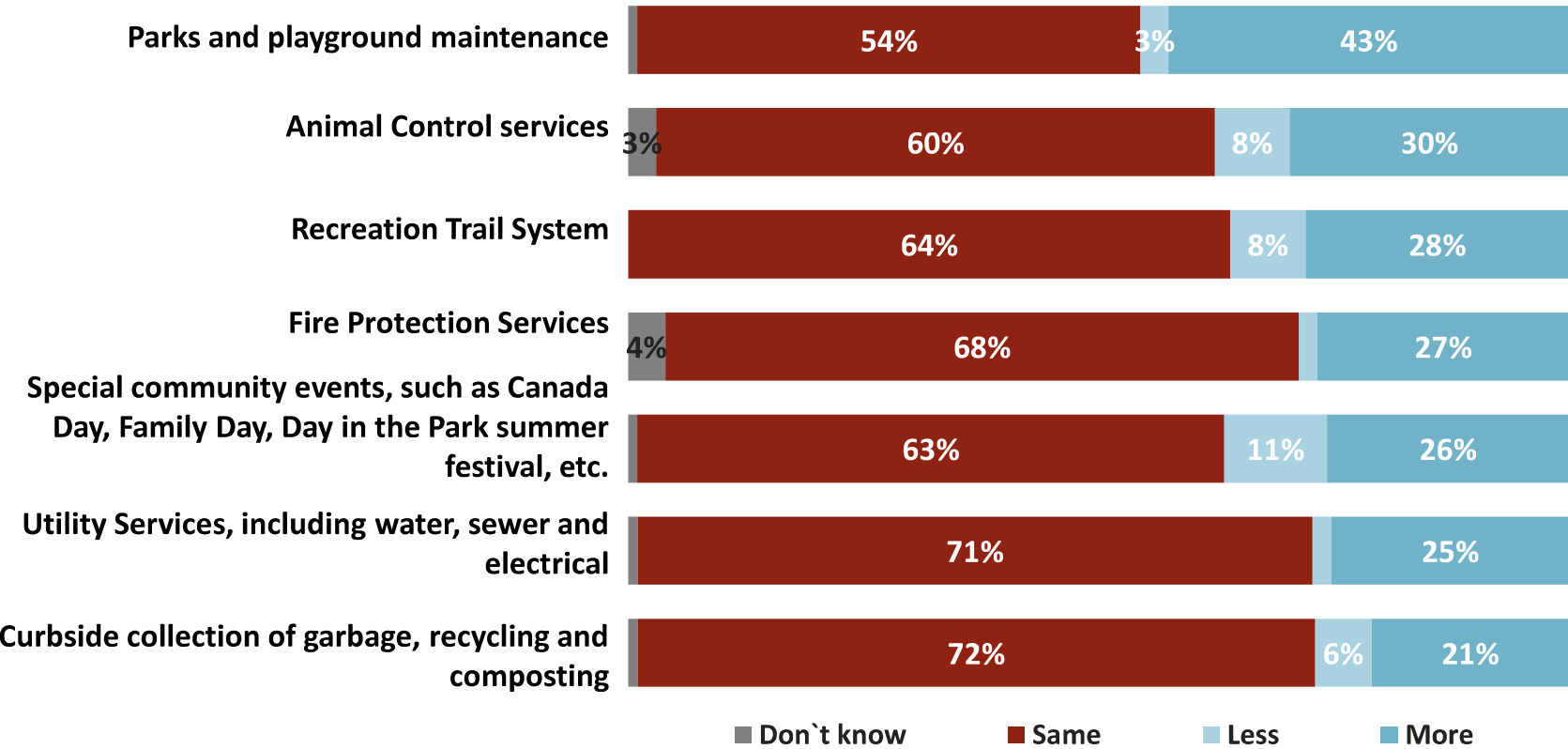
# Investment in Town Services



CV2\_3. Do you think The Town should invest more, less or the same amount on the program or service?  
Base: All respondents (Base Vary)

EVALUATION OF TOWN SERVICES

# Investment in Town Services



CV2\_3. Do you think The Town should invest more, less or the same amount on the program or service?  
Base: All respondents (Base Vary)



# TAXATION

# Taxation



## KNOWLEDGE OF HOW TAX DOLLARS ARE SPENT

- ❖ Just over one-half (54%) of residents say they are knowledgeable (9% 'very', 45% 'somewhat') about how the Town of Ponoka government is run and the services it provides.
  - Claimed knowledge is higher among men (61% vs. 48% of women), older residents (61% of 55+ years vs. 45% of 18-34 years, 51% of 35-54 years), and those with household incomes of \$120K+ (72% vs. 49% of <\$60K, 54% of \$60K-<\$120K).

## VALUE FOR TAXES

- ❖ More than two-thirds (68%) say they receive good value for their municipal tax dollars. Most of these residents describe the value for taxes as 'fairly good' (58%) rather than 'very good' (10%). Nearly three-in-ten (29%) say they receive poor value for the taxes they pay to the Town (9% 'very poor', 20% 'fairly poor').
  - Perceptions of 'good value' are higher among women (73% vs. 62% of men) and those with household incomes of <\$120K (includes 70% of <\$60K and 72% of \$60K-<\$120K vs. 55% of \$120K+).

## BALANCING TAXATION AND SERVICE DELIVERY LEVELS

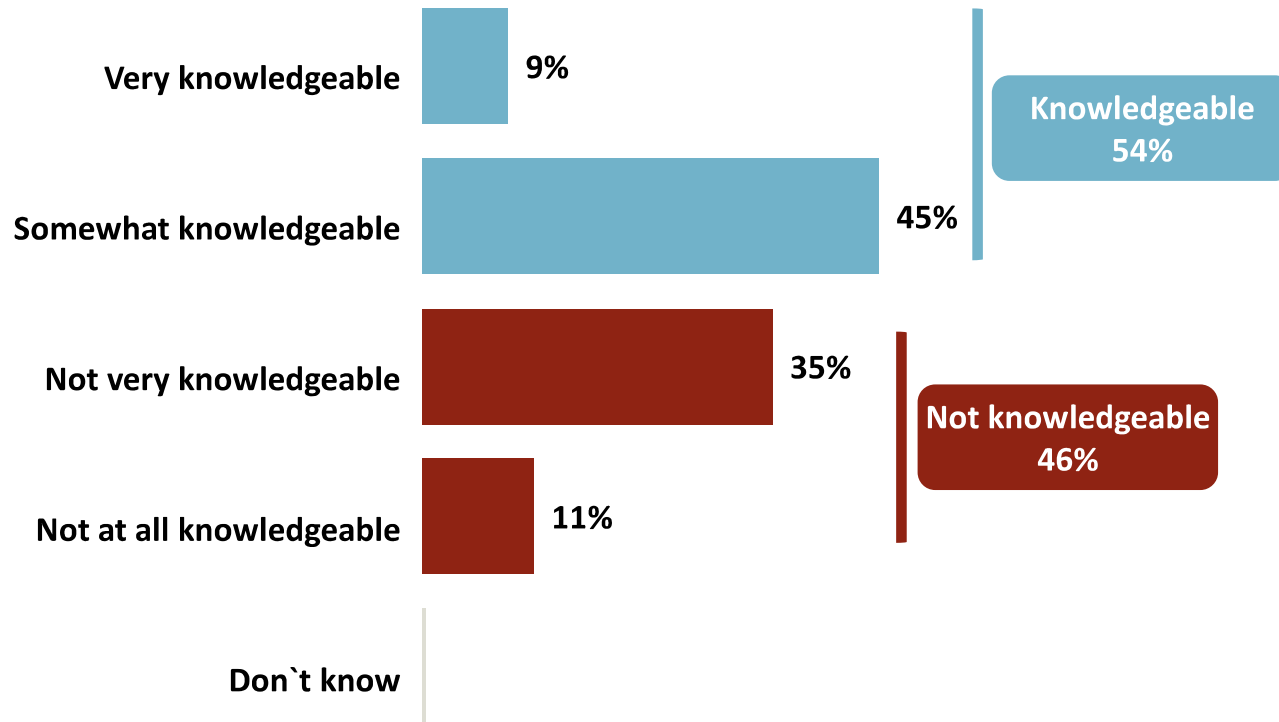
- ❖ Overall, citizens demonstrate a slight preference for tax increases (49%) over service cuts (38%) to achieve a balanced budget in the coming year.
  - A preference for tax increases is higher among women (54% vs. 43% of men) and those with household incomes of \$60K-<\$120K (64% vs. 36% of <\$60K, 45% of \$120K+).
  - A preference for service cuts is higher among men (44% vs. 33% of women) and those with household incomes of <\$60K (48% vs. 29% of \$60K-<\$120K, 41% of \$120K+).



## Support for Taxation for the Community Wellness Centre

- ❖ Opinions towards funding a new Community Wellness Centre are mixed. While 53% of residents say they would support a tax increase to fund the building, 45% say they are opposed. Moreover, the intensity of opposition is greater than that of support (32% 'strongly oppose' vs. 23% 'strongly support').
  - Support is higher among:
    - Women (58% vs. 48% of men);
    - Those <55 years of age (includes 70% of 18-34 years and 58% of 35-54 years vs. 38% of 55+ years);
    - Those living in households with children under the age of 18 (61% vs. 49% of those without children at home); and,
    - Those with household incomes of \$60K+ (includes 63% of \$60K-<\$120K and 58% of \$120K+ vs. 43% of <\$60K).

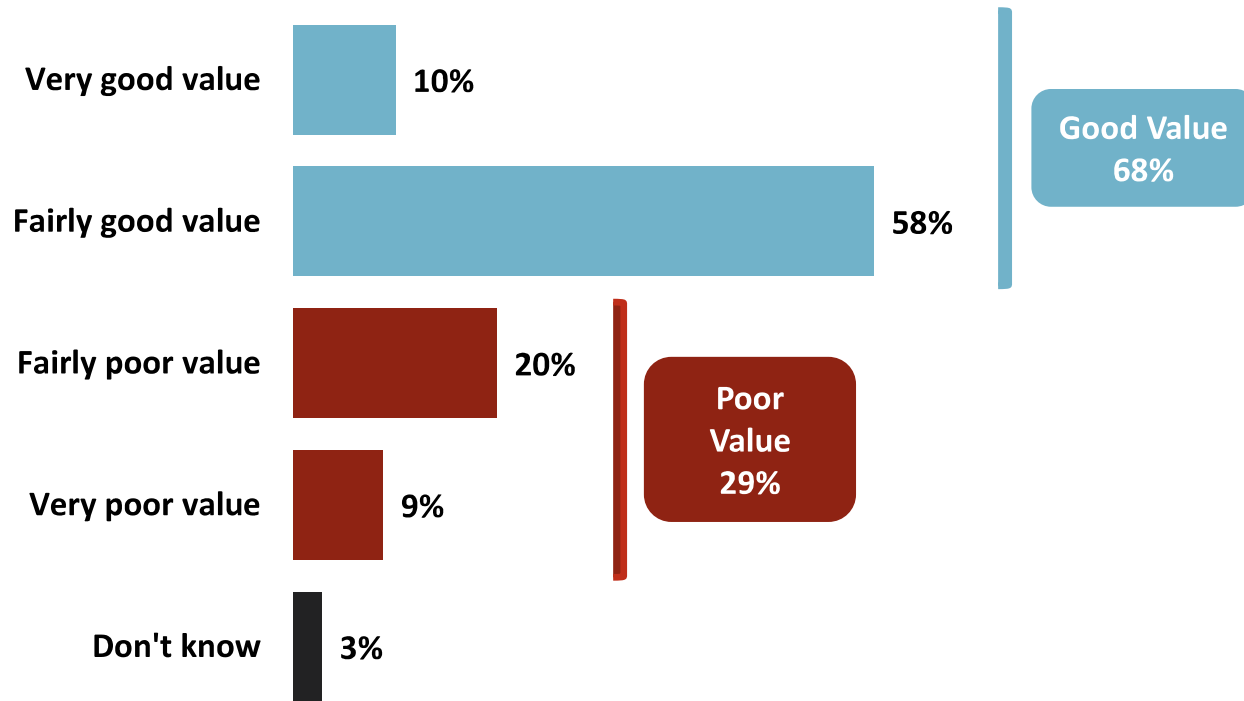
## Knowledge of How the Town of Ponoka is Run & Services Provided



*t1. Thinking about how The Town of Ponoka government is run and what services it provides, would you say you are very, somewhat, not very, or not at all knowledgeable?*

Base: All respondents (n=400)

## Value for Taxes



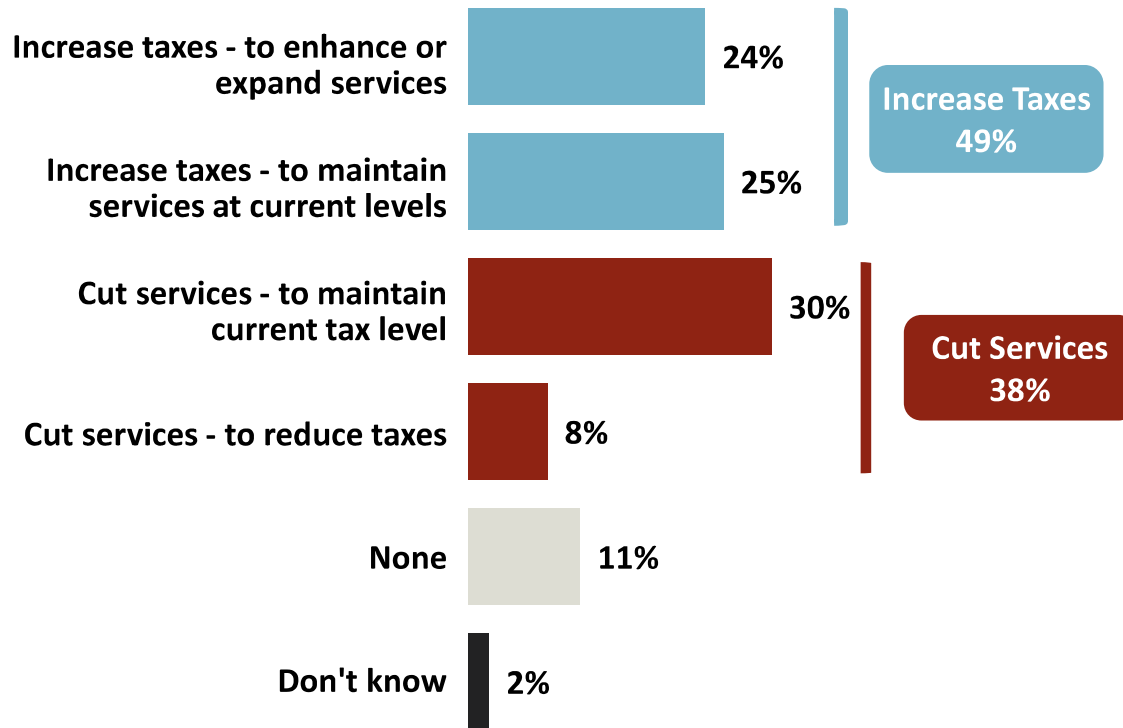
*t2. Thinking about all the programs and services you receive from The Town of Ponoka would you say that overall you get good value or poor value for your tax dollars?*

Base: All respondents (n=400)



## TAXATION

# Balancing Taxation and Service Delivery Levels

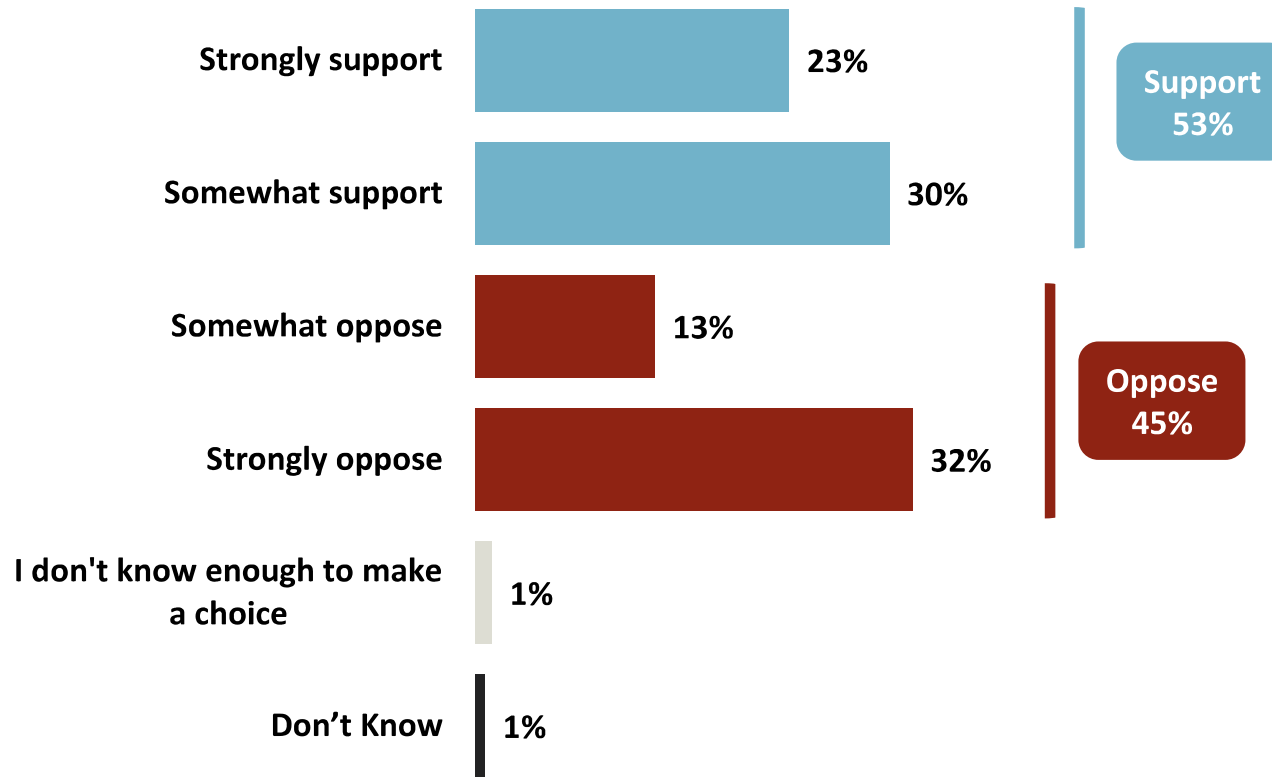


*t3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to pay for services and programs provided by The Town of Ponoka. Due to the increasing cost of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, The Town must balance taxation with service delivery levels. To deal with this situation, which of the following four options would you most like The Town to pursue to achieve a balanced budget in the coming year?*

Base: All respondents (n=400)

## TAXATION

# Support for Taxation for the Community Wellness Centre



t4. As you may or may not be aware, The Town of Ponoka is pursuing funding to develop a multi-purpose Community Wellness Centre, which would include a new Field House with an indoor walking track, and a three-storey interior that could be used for different sporting and community activities. Generally, do you support or oppose increasing your property taxes to fund building this new Community Wellness Centre? Would that be strongly or somewhat?

Base: All respondents (n=400)



# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



# Economic Development

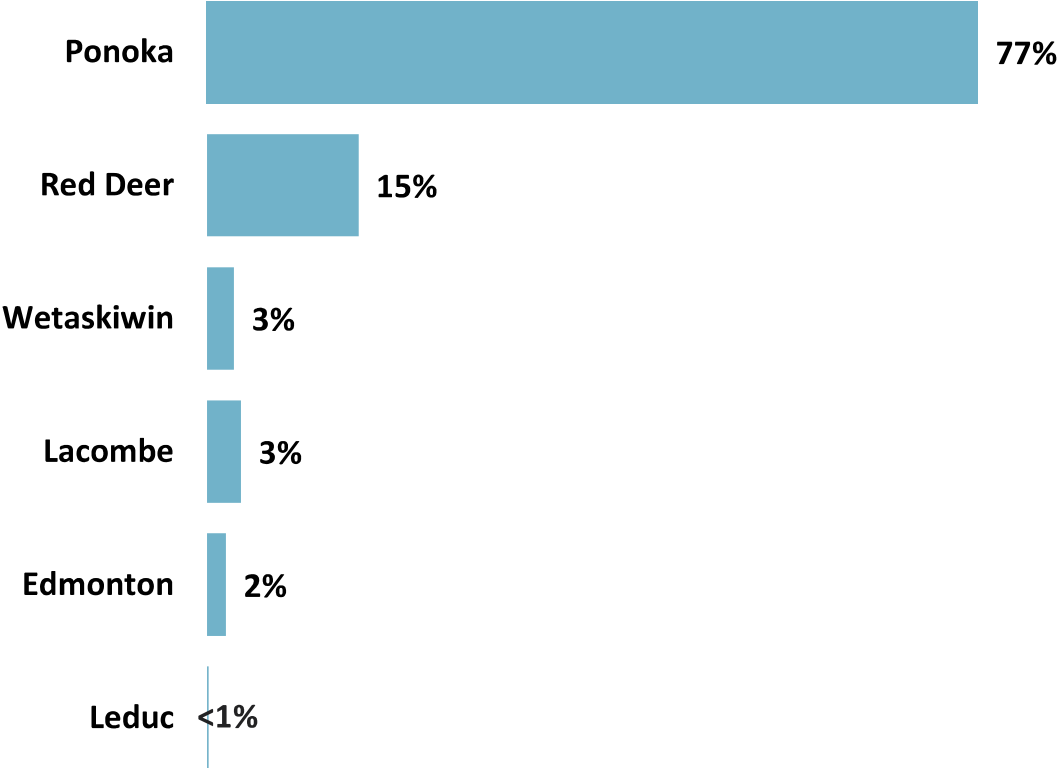
## DAY-TO-DAY SHOPPING

- ❖ More than three-quarters (77%) of residents are making their day-to-day purchases (groceries, pharmacy items, personal services) in the Town of Ponoka.
  - Those more likely to make day-to-day purchases in the Town of Ponoka include:
    - Those aged 55+ (84%) vs. 35-54 years (72%) or 18-34 years (70%);
    - 1-person households (88%) vs. 3+-person households (71%); and,
    - Those without children (81%) vs. those with children (69%).
- ❖ Red Deer (15%) sees the greatest proportion of day-to-day shopping among Ponoka residents of all other surrounding communities, particularly among the younger age cohort (24% among 18-34 year-olds) vs. 10% among those aged 55+ and 15% among those aged 35-54, and among 3+-person households (20%) vs. 1-person households (11%).
- ❖ A small minority of Ponoka residents are making day-to-day purchases in Wetaskiwin (3%), Lacombe (3%) and Edmonton (2%).

## BIG-TICKET PURCHASES

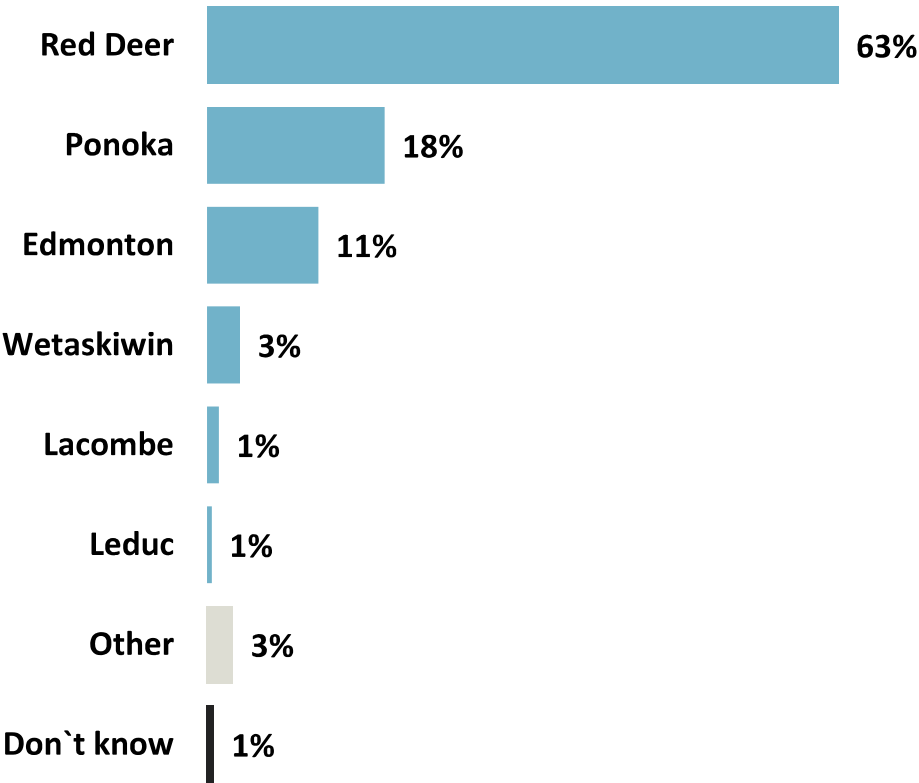
- ❖ For bigger ticket purchases such as fashion, house and home or vehicles, almost two-thirds (63%) of Ponoka residents are making such purchases in Red Deer, especially among 35-54 year-olds (68%) vs. those aged 55+ (57%) and among those with annual household incomes of \$60K to \$120K (67%) vs. those with annual household incomes of less than \$60K (53%).
- ❖ Less than one-in-five (18%) residents are currently making big-ticket purchases in the Town of Ponoka and these residents tend to be aged 55+ (27% vs. 8% 18-34 years) and 1-person households (34% vs. 12% among 3+-person households).
- ❖ In addition, some Ponoka residents are making big-ticket purchases in Edmonton (11%) and Wetaskiwin (3%).

# Town Used for Day-to-Day Shopping



ed2. In what town or city do you do most of your day-to-day shopping for groceries, pharmacy items or personal services?  
Base: All respondents (n=400)

# Town Used for Big-Ticket Shopping



ed3. In what town or city do you do most of your bigger ticket shopping for things such as fashion, house and home or vehicles?  
Base: All respondents (n=400)



# COMMUNICATION AND CUSTOMER SERVICE



# Communication and Customer Service

## COMMUNICATIONS

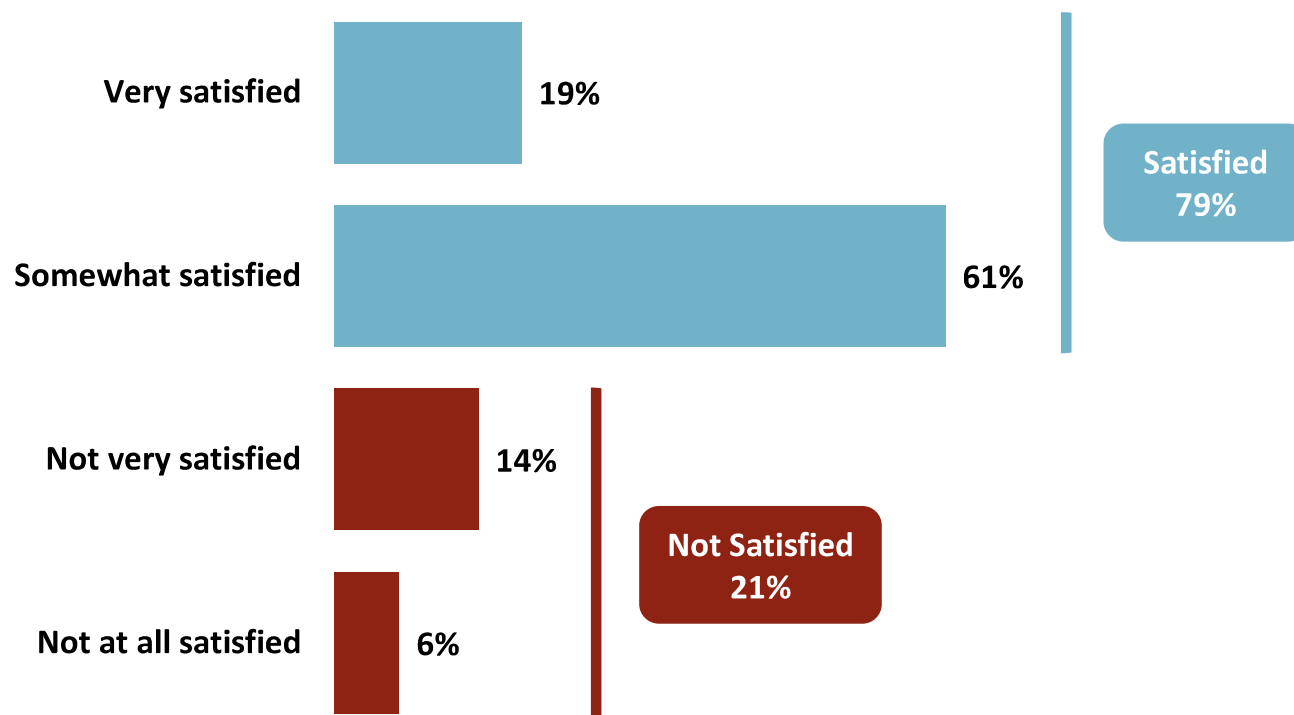
- ❖ Eight-in-ten (79%) residents are satisfied with the overall level and quality of communications provided by the Town of Ponoka, including 19% who are 'very' satisfied.
- ❖ The Hometown Weekly News page is the main source of information about town-related information (76%), particularly among those aged 55+ (90% vs. 59% among those aged 18-34 years).
  - Next, 51% of residents are using the Town of Ponoka's website as a primary resource, with those aged 35-54 years (61%) tending to use the website more than other age groups.
    - The vast majority (90%) of residents who have been to the website are satisfied with it, including 28% 'very' satisfied.
  - Almost one-half (45%) of residents are also using the Town of Ponoka's Facebook page, especially among those aged 18-34 years (68%).
  - As well, 38% of residents are receiving Town information via emails or utility bill inserts.
- ❖ Residents' preferred methods of receiving Town-related information include Hometown Weekly News (61%), the Town of Ponoka website (47%) and the Town of Ponoka Facebook Page (37%), a similar pattern to that of the current channels used.
- ❖ Two-thirds (64%) of residents feel they receive 'just the right amount' of information from the Town of Ponoka, while 35% feel they receive 'too little' information and less than 1% say they receive 'too much' information from the Town.

## CUSTOMER SERVICE

- ❖ Eight-in-ten (81%) residents of Ponoka have contacted the Town within the past year. Of these residents, 84% are satisfied with the customer service they received, including 42% who are 'very' satisfied.



## Overall Satisfaction with the Quality of Information and Communications

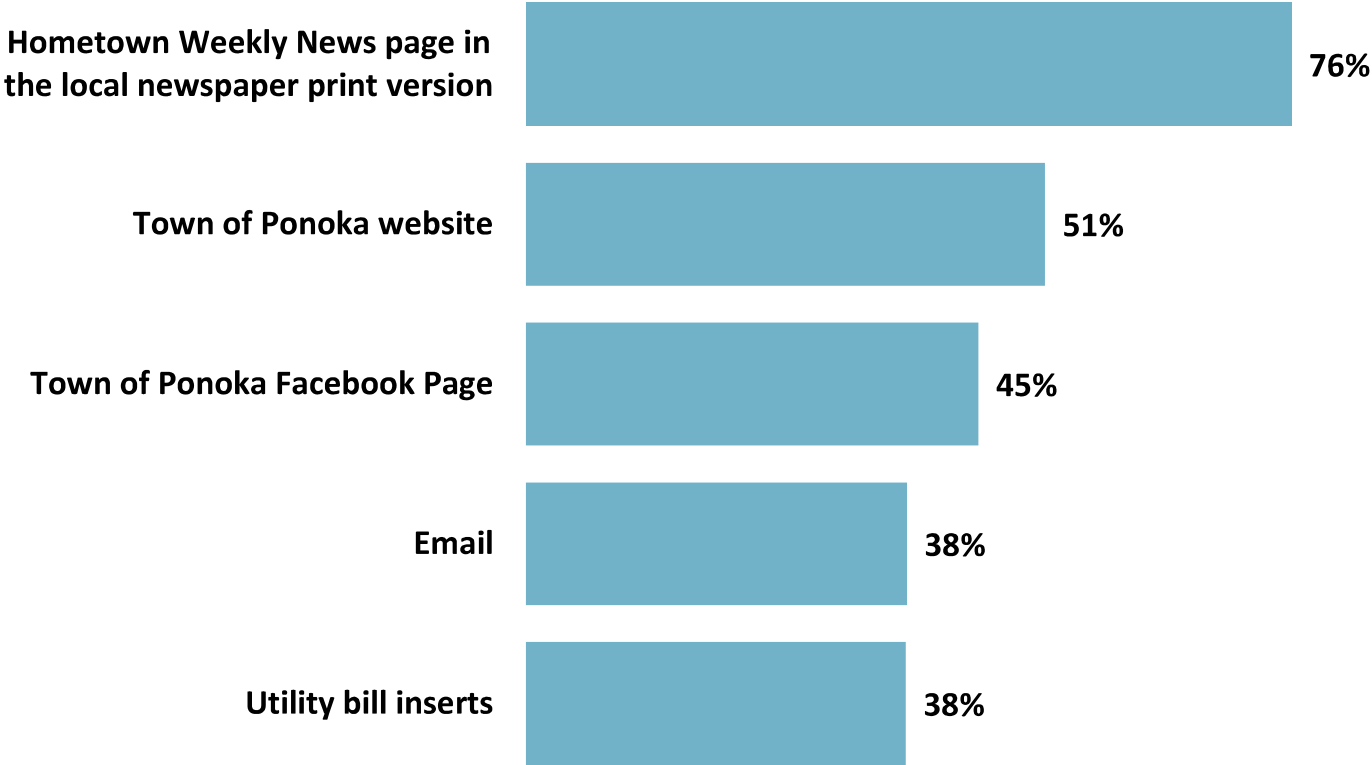


c1. How satisfied are you with the overall level and quality of information and communications provided by The Town of Ponoka?

Base: All respondents (n=400)

COMMUNICATIONS AND CUSTOMER SERVICE

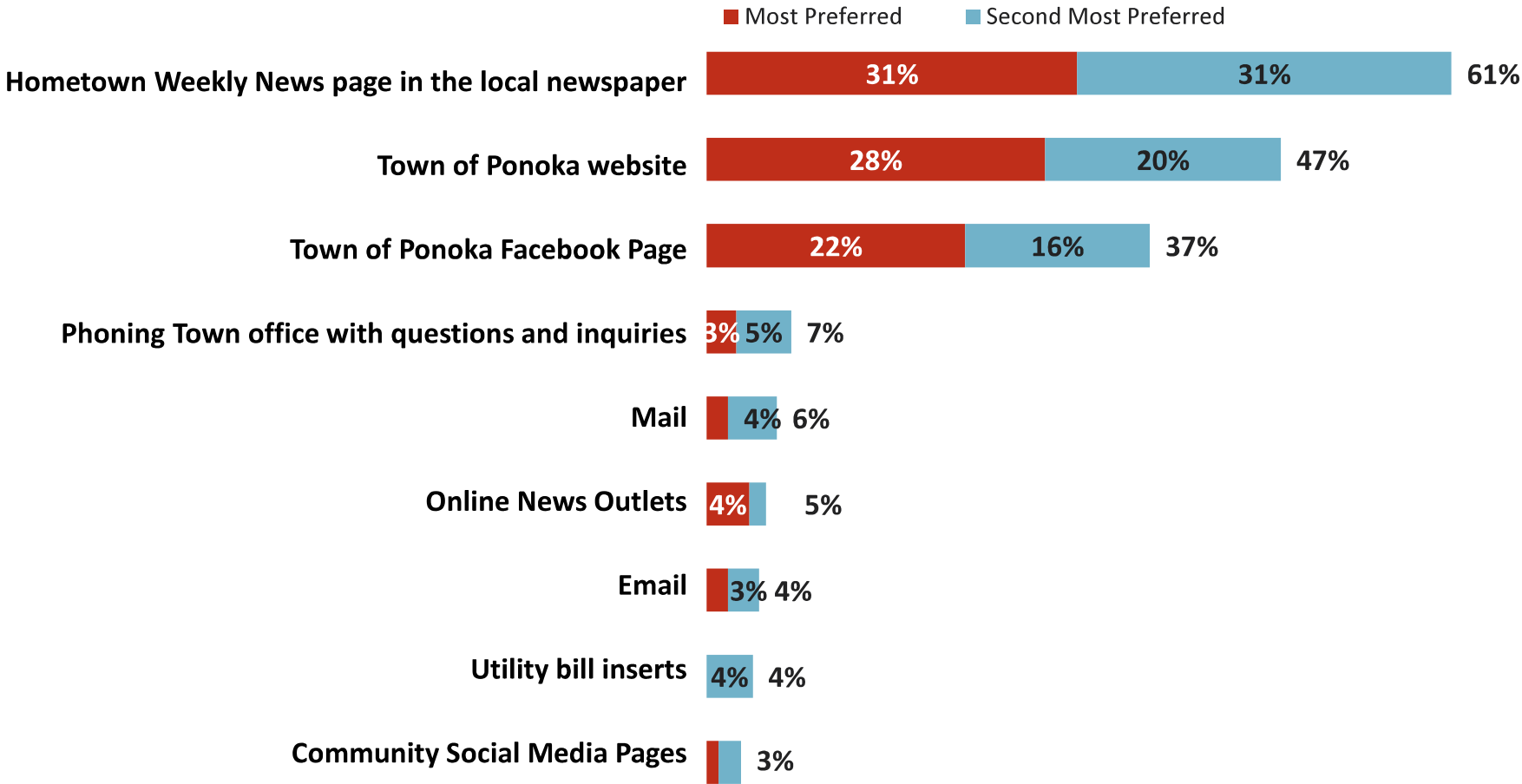
# Resources Used for Town Information



*c2. Within the past year, which of the following tools have you used to keep informed about Town-related information, services, events and announcements?*

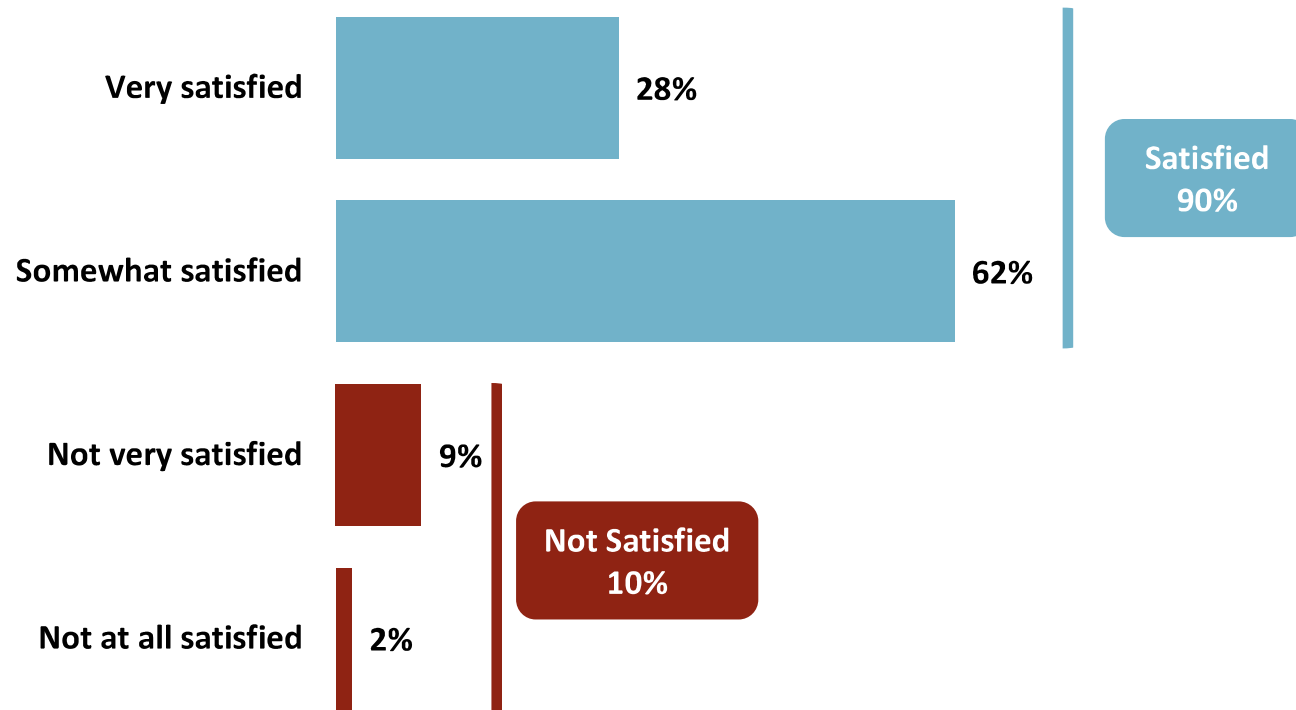
Base: All respondents (n=400)

# Preferred Method of Accessing Information



c3. What would be your most preferred way of accessing information about The Town of Ponoka? c4. And what would be your second most preferred way of accessing information about The Town of Ponoka? c3 + c4 Total MentionsBase: All respondents (n=400)

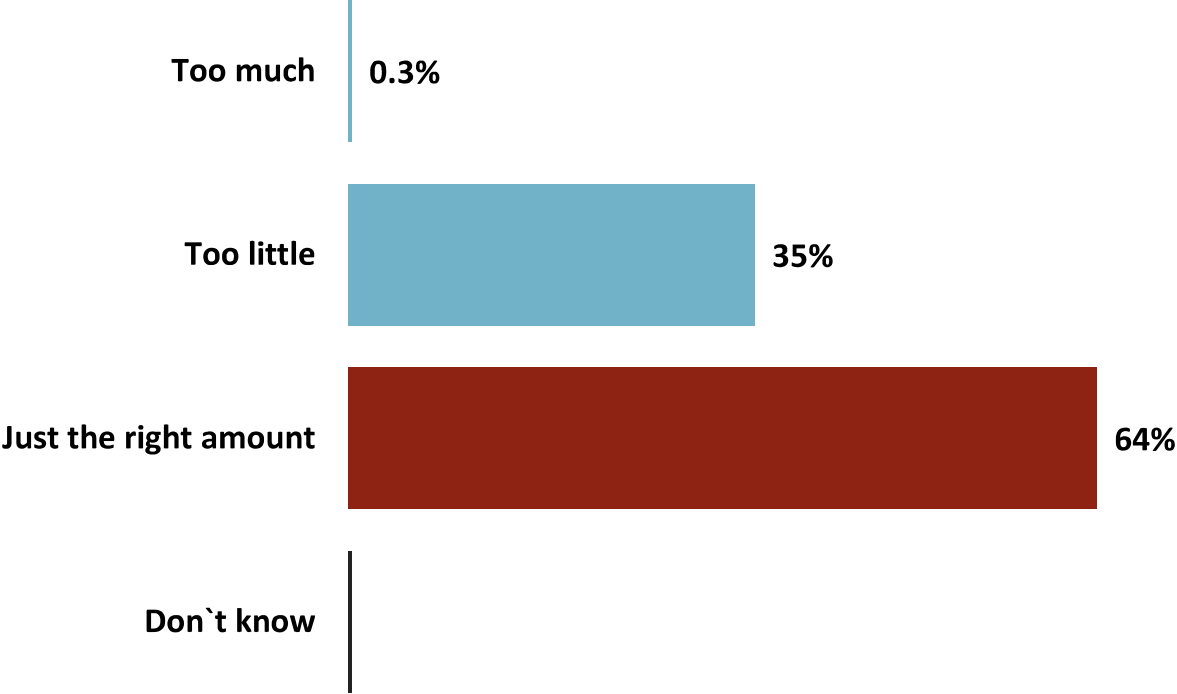
## Overall Satisfaction with the Website



*c5. You mentioned that you have been to the Town of Ponoka's website this past year. How would you rate your overall satisfaction with The Town of Ponoka's website?*

Base: All respondents (n=200)

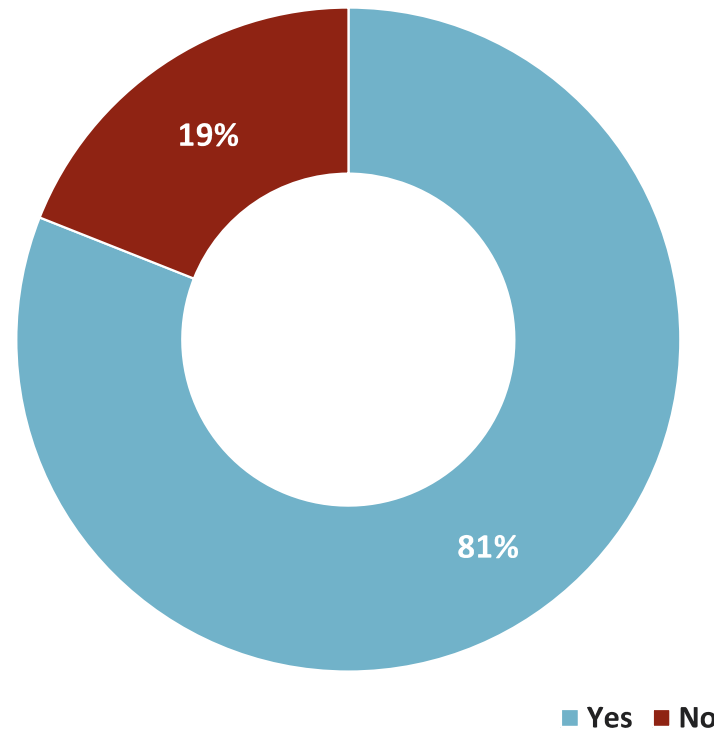
# Amount of Information Received



c6. In your opinion, do you currently have access to too much, too little, or just the right amount of information from The Town?

Base: All respondents (n=400)

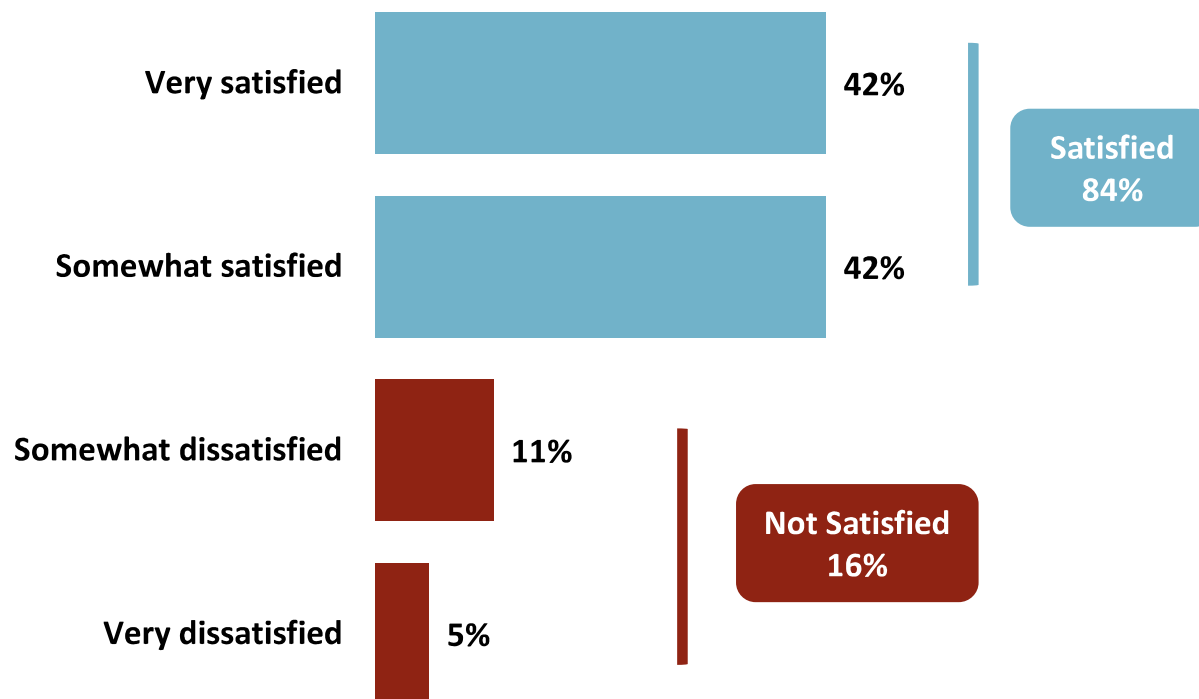
## Contact with the Town of Ponoka



*c12. In the last 12 months, have you personally contacted or dealt with the Town of Ponoka or one of its employees?*

Base: All respondents (n=374)

## Satisfaction with Town of Ponoka Customer Service



c13. Thinking about your most recent contact experience, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the overall service you received?

Base: All respondents (n=303)



# PERFORMANCE OF TOWN GOVERNMENT

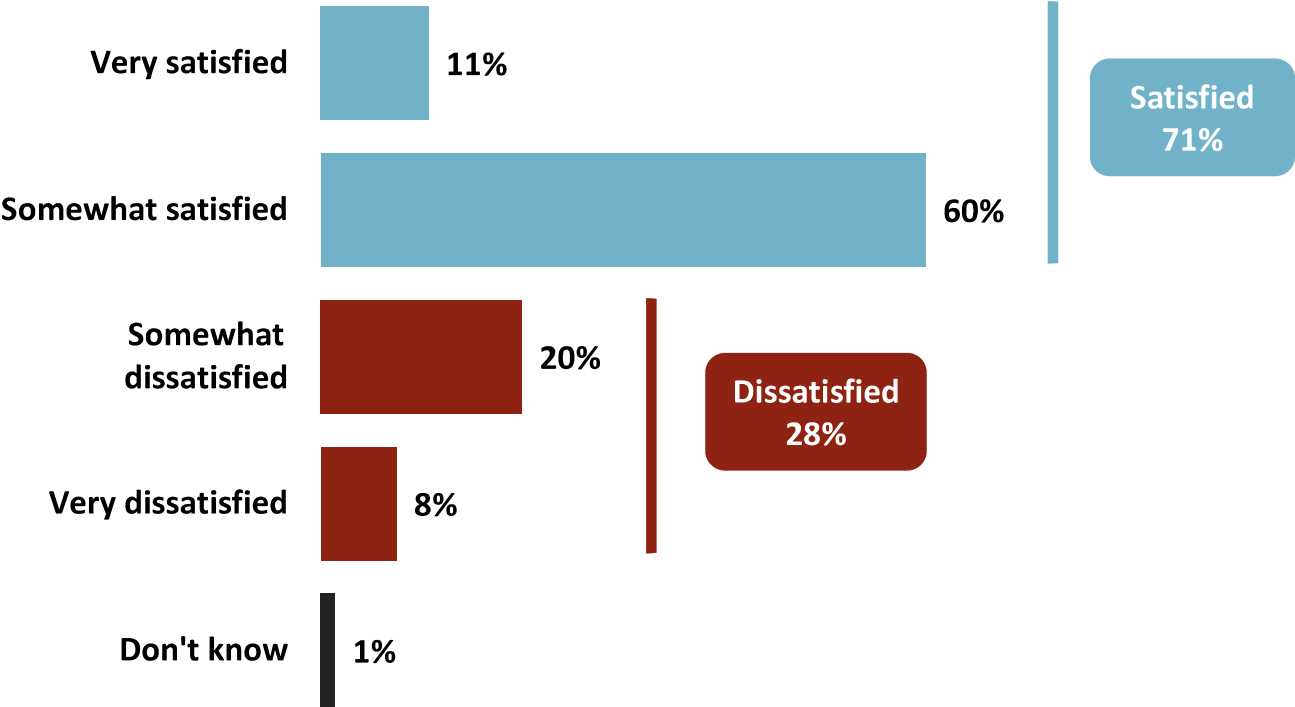




## Performance of Town Government

- ❖ Seven-in-ten (71%) of residents are satisfied with the the way The Town of Ponoka - including Council and Town Administration as a whole - is going about running the Town, including 11% who are 'very' satisfied.
  - Females (75%) are more likely to be satisfied with the Town's performance than are males (65%).
- ❖ A sizeable majority (83%) of residents feel that 'the Town of Ponoka municipal government fosters a town that is inclusive and accepting of all', including 30% who 'strongly' agree.
- ❖ Three-quarters (76%) of residents agree that 'the Town of Ponoka practices open and accessible government', with 19% in 'strong' agreement.
  - ❖ Females (80%) are more likely than males (70%) to agree with this statement.
- ❖ In addition, 72% of residents agrees that 'the Town provides citizens with opportunities to have meaningful input into decision-making', including 19% who 'strongly' agree.

# Performance of Town Council and Administration



c8. Taking everything into account, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way The Town of Ponoka - including Council and Town Administration as a whole - is going about running our Town? Are you...?  
Base: All respondents (n=400)

PERFORMANCE OF TOWN GOVERNMENT

# Attitudes Towards Town Leadership



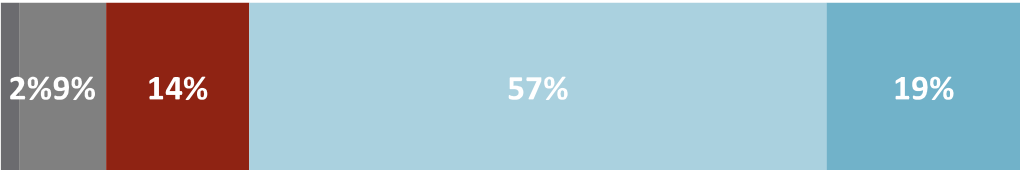
Agree

The Town of Ponoka municipal government fosters a town that is inclusive and accepting of all



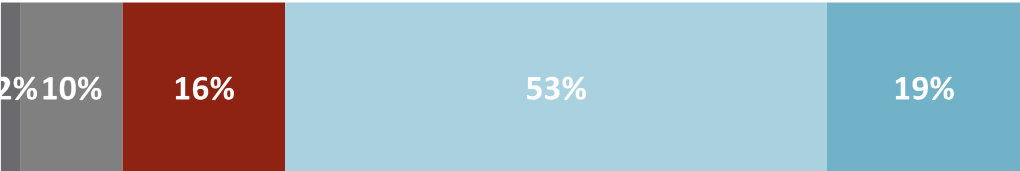
83%

The Town of Ponoka practices open and accessible government

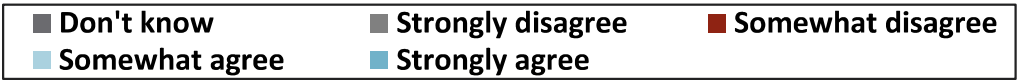


76%

The Town provides citizens with opportunities to have meaningful input into decision-making



72%



c11. Thinking about your personal dealings with The Town of Ponoka, your general impressions and anything you may have read, seen or heard, please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements about The Town?

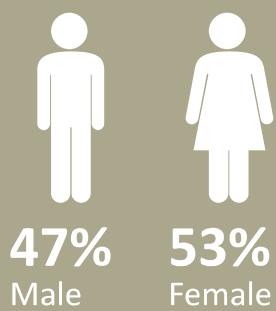
Base: All respondents (n=400)



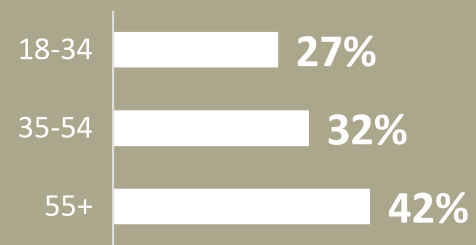
# DEMOGRAPHICS

# Demographics\*

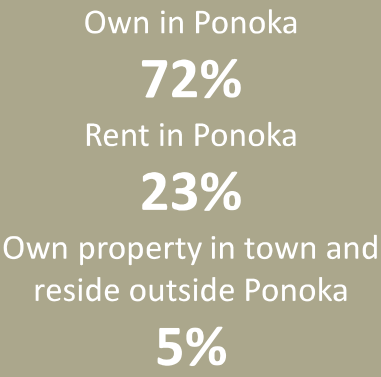
## GENDER



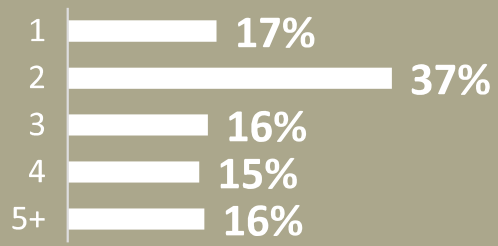
## AGE



## OWN / RENT HOME



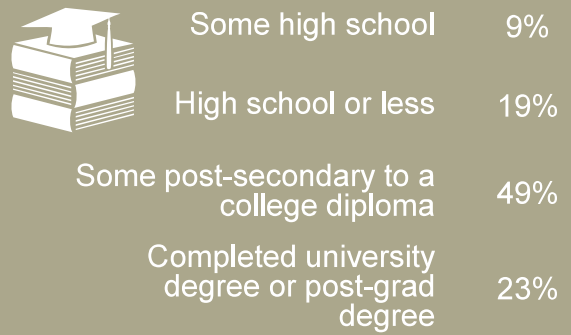
## NUMBER OF PEOPLE LIVING IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD



## CHILDREN <18 YRS IN HHLD



## EDUCATION



\*Data is weighted based on Statistics Canada Census data



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GAME CHANGERS



80007 ql1x the new town hall is been way over budget and they spent a lot of money on it and they cannot fix the street in town.  
 80010 ql1x Recreational facilities.  
 80013 ql1x add a couple more cops  
 80017 ql1x probably more family oriented events  
 80024 ql1x the environment  
 80029 ql1x crime  
 80034 ql1x The amount of vehicle thefts. I begin to see it everyday, on facebook the Ponoka community and information site.  
 80038 ql1x family and childcare services like schools  
 80037 ql1x business  
 80035 ql1x Supporting their own town business  
 80040 ql1x Infrastructure  
 80046 ql1x personal agenda to bankrupt the town  
 80047 ql1x Lower taxes  
 80050 ql1x garbage removal  
 80059 ql1x stolen property  
 80062 ql1x Taxes  
 80064 ql1x Increase in businesses.  
 80067 ql1x creating jobs  
 80070 ql1x I would say being clean and green.  
 80073 ql1x Noise  
 80071 ql1x More businesses.  
 80079 ql1x Homeless people  
 80077 ql1x The safety factor for us. Well more policing.  
 80081 ql1x I think its important that we get a field house or a sports activity centre  
 80093 ql1x tax equality  
 80108 ql1x Crime.  
 80110 ql1x winter mainernace REV winter maintenance  
 80114 ql1x A little bit more in recreation  
 80129 ql1x Activities for youth and for the kids to do  
 80130 ql1x lack of future C(lack) no new homes going in, real estate sits dormant  
 80140 ql1x recreation  
 80156 ql1x local expenditures  
 80179 ql1x The homeless  
 80183 ql1x the appearance of properties, both residential and businesses; keeping them look nice.  
 80197 ql1x Economic development.  
 80207 ql1x more police (especially during night time)  
 80208 ql1x Better recycling system  
 80214 ql1x I would like to see the snow removed off our streets more often.  
 80218 ql1x town development, just like bring a bussiness in town  
 80226 ql1x the biggest thing thing that they control is spending REV the biggest thing that they control is spending  
 80227 ql1x Small Business Building  
 80243 ql1x Kid Things (p) more activities for kids  
 80241 ql1x I would like a garbage can placed on my street.  
 80271 ql1x recreation, like more money invested in recreation like trails  
 80270 ql1x I think we should bring in more big business in the town.  
 80269 ql1x For taxes we paid we dont get enough services.  
 80272 ql1x The trails, biking and walking trails  
 80276 ql1x lower taxes  
 80282 ql1x the aquaplex c(the aquaplex) it needs to be redone  
 80294 ql1x more leisure and rec for the kids  
 80304 ql1x Parks and more establishments because the stores are kind of old  
 80320 ql1x Our roads.  
 80328 ql1x The crime  
 80318 ql1x Mental Illness and Low income  
 80337 ql1x adequate schooling for kids and out-of-school programming for kidergarten and up.  
 80326 ql1x I would say that taxes have gone up too much in the last 5 years, so maybe watch your taxes, watch your spending.

20 Overspent on building the town hall  
 49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre  
 12 More/ full time by-law officers  
 57 More family-oriented activities/ facilities  
 24 All other environment mentions  
 9 Crime prevention/ control  
 11 Theft  
 33 All other social issues mentions  
 45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses  
 45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses  
 34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement  
 16 Municipal government expenditures/ budget  
 15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high  
 35 Waste management/ garbage/ recycling/ collection services  
 11 Theft  
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 45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses  
 44 Employment/ attract employers/ create jobs  
 38 Beautification/ cleanliness of downtown/ community  
 14 All other crime mentions  
 45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses  
 32 Homelessness  
 10 Safety  
 49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre  
 15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high  
 9 Crime prevention/ control  
 3 Improve snow removal  
 50 More/ better recreational programs/ activities  
 52 More/ better programs/ activities for youth  
 22 Growth/ development (unspecified)  
 56 Recreation (unspecified)  
 16 Municipal government expenditures/ budget  
 32 Homelessness  
 40 Management of downtown buildings/ properties  
 42 Economic development  
 12 More/ full time by-law officers  
 35 Waste management/ garbage/ recycling/ collection services  
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 35 Waste management/ garbage/ recycling/ collection services  
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 18 Better value for taxes paid  
 54 More/ better parks/ trails/ green spaces  
 15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high  
 55 Upgrading the pool/ build a new pool  
 51 More/ better programs/ activities/ facilities for children  
 54 More/ better parks/ trails/ green spaces  
 1 Improve roads/ streets  
 9 Crime prevention/ control  
 28 Mental health services  
 31 Improve quality/ increase number of schools  
 15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high

	Town growth because this town is horribly, horribly stunted when it comes to surrounding communities. It has opportunities in growing. There's far too many empty buildings in the community. It's like ghost town in downtown. The town is run by old money. Nothing is this town. There's no growth and housing. Nothing to bring people in.	
80316 ql1x	recreation center (c) I think we need more bigger facility here.	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80356 ql1x	road maintenance	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80362 ql1x	The lack of new bussiness	1 Improve roads/ streets
80363 ql1x	Stuff more for youth like education.	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80403 ql1x	The dwindling population. I think there should be more things to do. Like attracting businesses to the town so people could shop more in Pon	52 More/ better programs/ activities for youth
80414 ql1x	I'm not happy with the setrived, my txes have doubled in the last 10 yrs and srvc's hav gototen lesse, graddin roads in the winter has gotten less and a worse job than it use dot be REV I'm not happy with the service, my taxes have doubled in the last 10 years and services have gotten less, grading roads in the winter has gotten less and a worse job than it used to be.	66 Population growth/ attracting more/ young people
80394 ql1x	The schooling	18 Better value for taxes paid
80423 ql1x	Roads need to be fixed	31 Improve quality/ increase number of schools
80425 ql1x	sports programs	1 Improve roads/ streets
80431 ql1x	Growth	53 Sports facilities/ programs
80448 ql1x	More business	22 Growth/ development (unspecified)
80469 ql1x	Clean up the dead tress in town , we've got millions of dead trees, it's just an eyesore.	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80459 ql1x	The recreational facilities in town to keep the younger families around.	38 Beautification/ cleanliness of downtown/ community
80481 ql1x	The maintenance during winter.	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80485 ql1x	Family facilities	3 Improve snow removal
80495 ql1x	street cleaning	57 More family-oriented activities/ facilities
80501 ql1x	Downtown maintenance	38 Beautification/ cleanliness of downtown/ community
80502 ql1x	Recreation	38 Beautification/ cleanliness of downtown/ community
80503 ql1x	Public facilities. I know that they are working the new athletic building and community centres.	56 Recreation (unspecified)
80510 ql1x	Building Mainteneace	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80515 ql1x	The junkies, those who smoke crap	40 Management of downtown buildings/ properties
80527 ql1x	Roads,	13 Drugs
80528 ql1x	Stop spending needless money. They are overspent.	1 Improve roads/ streets
80533 ql1x	Look after mental Health people	16 Municipal government expenditures/ budget
80546 ql1x	The local economy.	28 Mental health services
80552 ql1x	Bylaw Enforcement	43 Economy (unspecified)
80561 ql1x	Our town bills for garbage, sewers, water are way too high	8 Policing/ law enforcement
80565 ql1x	Building the town back up, in my opinion the town is slowly but surely dying, there is nothing here.	16 Municipal government expenditures/ budget
80566 ql1x	the infrastrcuture	39 Revitalization of downtown/ community
80573 ql1x	Promoting growth	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80585 ql1x	Getting business into town and updating our streets	22 Growth/ development (unspecified)
80592 ql1x	The crime and drug use epedemic	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80601 ql1x	Local infrastructure	9 Crime prevention/ control
80600 ql1x	property tax,don't take too much out of my wallet	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80598 ql1x	Infrastructure, programs to draw more business into town	17 Lower property taxes
80608 ql1x	more housing for low income	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80607 ql1x	Infrastructure (c) poor	30 More/ affordable housing
80612 ql1x	Recreation (c) I would like to see a new swimming pool specifically and fitness facilities	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80616 ql1x	peace and order (c)continuous monitoring of peace and order of the town or citizen because there's lots vandalism in homes	55 Upgrading the pool/ build a new pool
80617 ql1x	Keeping the taxes down	8 Policing/ law enforcement
80634 ql1x	Infrastructure c(infrastructure) It seems like in our town, they're way way more interested in building new stuff than in keeping up the old stuff. They build new playgrounds, they put in new stuff rather than looking after the old stuff. That's one of my complaints. That's for everything: trees, streets, playgrounds. All that kind of stuff. They talk about fixing our downtown and they don't have things already up to a level I would think they should. that's not exactly a complaint so much as an observation.	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80637 ql1x	The roads (c) maintainance problems	41 All other municipal government services mentions
80653 ql1x	Traffic safety	1 Improve roads/ streets
80656 ql1x	Neighborhood watch and safety	2 Safety of streets/ control speeding
80657 ql1x	The park would be a nice thing to improve along the river.	14 All other crime mentions
80426 ql1x	More bussinesses coming into the town of Panoka	54 More/ better parks/ trails/ green spaces
80673 ql1x	people in the town should decide if they want the town ot be a city or to remain as a town.	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80674 ql1x	crimes should be resolved right away	98 Other
80675 ql1x		9 Crime prevention/ control



more balance approach to the needs of the town like the rodeo association is what they focus on but the rest of the town suffers.its nly for ten days even if it brings a lot of money

80007 ql1y More businesses here in Ponoka to supply more jobs.

80010 ql1y General upkeep of the town itself, facilities, public parks etc

80024 ql1y infrastructure is poor

80029 ql1y crime

80037 ql1y Road conditions

80035 ql1y Crime prevention

80040 ql1y don't have the towns best interests at heart for example shutting down the fire department

80046 ql1y recycling c(recycling) we used to ha a place where you can drop it off

80050 ql1y Safety in residing in Ponoka.

80064 ql1y look after provincial things not just the town

80067 ql1y Housing more of them.

80070 ql1y Policing

80073 ql1y No job opportunities.

80071 ql1y Control of people driving loud vehicles

80079 ql1y If we could have more accessibility for people without money for programs.

80077 ql1y fixing the roads

80093 ql1y Protection of spruce trees bear the new town hall

80110 ql1y feral cats and kittens

80130 ql1y it will be nice if there will be more stores

80140 ql1y infrastructure

80156 ql1y leisure activities (places like a walking path, even an indoor one where you could walk in in the winter)

80183 ql1y recreational facilities, such as community centres which community groups could access for free (places where people or students from schools can meet).

80207 ql1y Major attention to children's playgrounds and parks

80208 ql1y snow clearing

80218 ql1y Economical Development

80227 ql1y It would be really cool to have an indoor play facility, during the winter months.

80241 ql1y I guess sidewalks.

80270 ql1y Regarding recyling and garbage pickup.

80269 ql1y Maintain swimming pool

80272 ql1y healthcare c(healthcare) making sure we have enough personel in the hospital

80282 ql1y homeless in the community and finding a way to support them or refer them to some agency in community

80337 ql1y Well, i think that they have to maybe improve the trail system. There's a lot of weeds in the trails. Repave and widen the trails by the ball diamonds, it's just not wide enough. (The respondent spoke quickly, and I missed some of his description.)

80326 ql1y Community, like am originally from Vancouvery Island B.C., there's no sense of community here. If you're not part of the church or something like that or one of the sports team. It's really difficult to get integrated to feel you're part of the community. What they try to do, they plan during the week. They plan family event and they plan on weekdays and most people that work in Ponoka work elsewhere, they did not plan and think of these people. I would not take a day-off to go to the event but they set them-up for people not all to attend.

80316 ql1y this past few days or months, a lot of robberies, stealing happening

80356 ql1y community services

80362 ql1y The historic dam in Ponoka, the town doesn't do anything with the battle river that runs through it.

80363 ql1y I live across the street from a park, the grass was cut every 3 weeks and the last time was a month, so families were there at stampede time having a picnic in foot long grass. Dandelions were left unabated. Baseball diamonds, the grass was not cut in them, people were playing in foot long grass which is dangerous with cleats on.

80394 ql1y The cleanliness of the town

80423 ql1y economic development

80431 ql1y Find ways to attract young people to the town

80448 ql1y High taxes

80469 ql1y Improvement of recreational facilities.

80485 ql1y Crime control

80495 ql1y playgrounds

80501 ql1y Infrastructure

80503 ql1y Infrastructure

80515 ql1y Infrastructure

80527 ql1y Fix the potholes in the streets

80552 ql1y Small businesses.

37 Better/ improve local services

45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses

38 Beautification/ cleanliness of downtown/ community

34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement

9 Crime prevention/ control

1 Improve roads/ streets

9 Crime prevention/ control

59 More accountable/ competent/ responsive town councilors

35 Waste management/ garbage/ recycling/ collection services

10 Safety

61 All other leadership/ council mentions

30 More/ affordable housing

8 Policing/ law enforcement

44 Employment/ attract employers/ create jobs

6 Traffic/ road safety policing/ enforcement

33 All other social issues mentions

1 Improve roads/ streets

41 All other municipal government services mentions

63 Animal control/ by-law

45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses

34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement

50 More/ better recreational programs/ activities

49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre

51 More/ better programs/ activities/ facilities for children

3 Improve snow removal

42 Economic development

51 More/ better programs/ activities/ facilities for children

5 Improve sidewalks

35 Waste management/ garbage/ recycling/ collection services

55 Upgrading the pool/ build a new pool

25 Improve healthcare (unspecified)

32 Homelessness

54 More/ better parks/ trails/ green spaces

98 Other

11 Theft

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42 Economic development

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45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses

80565 q11y	Too many VLT lounges	98 Other
80566 q11y	Just the local town infrastructure, roads, sidewalks, they should be repaired in a decent time frame.	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80601 q11y	Trying to grow the community	22 Growth/ development (unspecified)
80600 q11y	Basic amenities	64 More/ better amenities
80608 q11y	lower taxes	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80612 q11y	recreation facilities that's poor	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
	We've had a lot of problems with our Town Council. Apparently getting along with anybody. We lost our Fire Hall, now we've got a great big new Fire Hall and now it's empty. We don't have a Fire Hall now, we rely on the county, swap equipment, Things we were supposed to get, we didn't get. But it wasn't very smooth. Big fights in the Town Hall, that kind of stuff. What else? They put up a great big new Town Hall and everything and there's been lotsa lots of issues in the paper that they really got a rotten deal and it'll cost more than it should. I don't have the facts. I don't have the numbers. This whole town council doesn't seem very cooperative or people-oriented. Doesn't make you very confident that things are going to continue. Taxes go up every year. Do a lot of stuff they don't consult anybody. That kind of stuff bothers	59 More accountable/ competent/ responsive town councilors
80637 q11y	Upgrading of the pool and recreation centre	55 Upgrading the pool/ build a new pool
80653 q11y	Public safety	10 Safety
80426 q11y	The roads could be improved a lot. They kind of need repaving.	1 Improve roads/ streets
80675 q11y	repair the roads	1 Improve roads/ streets
80007 q11z	they need to do about the crime in town	9 Crime prevention/ control
80037 q11z	infrastructure	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80035 q11z	Sewer line need to be upgraded in downtown	36 Water/ sewer services
80040 q11z	Economic growth	46 Economic growth/ prosperity
80050 q11z	taxes c(taxes) they suck, they're high from what we get by	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80070 q11z	Potholes in the roads.	1 Improve roads/ streets
80073 q11z	Intersection	7 All other transportation mentions
80071 q11z	No transit between Ponoka and Red Deer to get job opportunities.	4 Transit service
80079 q11z	Getting people aware of proper voting	98 Other
80077 q11z	Town growth like more businesses.	46 Economic growth/ prosperity
80207 q11z	more collaboration with the First Nations north of us;	98 Other
80208 q11z	Better attention paid to street care after storm like trees and branches, it takes them a very long time to clean up.	1 Improve roads/ streets
80241 q11z	It would be really cool if there was a government child facility.	51 More/ better programs/ activities/ facilities for children
	Honesty from town council, there seems to be things happening around this town. One thing is the assisted living for old folks. They turned into a rehabilitation for high risk offenders without telling anyone.	60 More transparency/ better communication among town council and townsfolk
80270 q11z	I don't feel the town employee don't respond well. That's the one that are out and about not the one in the offices. They picked up branches on our house but they left a big mess and our neighbour helped us clean up.	62 More accountable/ competent town employees
80269 q11z	Keep taxes low	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80272 q11z	I think we do have to be aware that the number of homeless people is also increasing.	32 Homelessness
80326 q11z	They need to spend money on drawing people in. A recreation, things that people come for. They spend money on upgrading, spend money on offices like that and they built on rented land. They are not using money wisely to grow community and make this community sustainable. They are not growing the community.	19 Better allocation of funds/ prioritization of project funding
80316 q11z	walking path maintenance - full upgrade	54 More/ better parks/ trails/ green spaces
80362 q11z	The crime rate but I don't really think they can deal with that. crime REV crime	9 Crime prevention/ control
80363 q11z	Street cleaner came down my street the other day down the center of the street leaving the gutters dirty, full of pine cones.	62 More accountable/ competent town employees
80394 q11z	Economic Diversification and Green Energy Development	47 Economic diversification
80448 q11z	Balanced budget	16 Municipal government expenditures/ budget
80495 q11z	Low Income Housing	30 More/ affordable housing
80503 q11z	Rent cap c(cao) it cost \$1500, it cost \$1800 cost REV costs	30 More/ affordable housing
80527 q11z	Recreational opportunity	50 More/ better recreational programs/ activities
80600 q11z	Lots of drugs in our town, I don't know - maybe police force that would manage it more.	13 Drugs
80608 q11z	Activities for the elderly	29 Seniors' housing/ facilities/ services
80653 q11z	Traffic lights	7 All other transportation mentions
80656 q11z	there are so many leaves on the ground. They should clean it	38 Beautification/ cleanliness of downtown/ community
80675 q11z	it's a quieter town. Generally clean and if they can only handle the crimes it is a fantastic place to raise a family.	48 Quiet/ peaceful town
80007 q14x	Employment. (C employment) Health care.	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80010 q14x	good entertainment locations	3 Access to recreational facilities
80013 q14x	The work, I think that there is a job that you can apply and get hired.	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80016 q14x	ability to do business	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80024 q14x	get rid of the big wigs out of politics yhe REV the	68 Good/ responsive leadership/ government/ town council
80029 q14x	sports	5 Sports facilities/ programs/ associations
80034 q14x		

80038	ql4x	we're starting to get more locally owned shops	15	More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80037	ql4x	safety	40	Safety/ security
80035	ql4x	a forward thinking Town Council, a Vision for the Future.	68	Good/ responsive leadership/ government/ town council
80039	ql4x	Small town atmosphere	46	Small town/ small town feel
80040	ql4x	Economic stability	13	Improved economy/ economic growth/ development
80046	ql4x	have a really good garbage system	37	Good waste/ garbage management
80050	ql4x	the parks are really for nice kids	4	Good/ enough parks/ trails/ green spaces
80059	ql4x	To participate c(participate) In the community	51	Sense of community
80064	ql4x	Community affairs.	71	Other leadership/ council mentions
80067	ql4x	look after our seniors	26	Good/ enough services/ facilities for the elderly
80070	ql4x	Jobs more of them.	14	Good/ enough employment opportunities
80073	ql4x	Very good snow removal	38	Good snow removal services
80071	ql4x	Cost of living.	72	Lower/ more affordable cost of living
80079	ql4x	A good Mayor	68	Good/ responsive leadership/ government/ town council
80077	ql4x	A general consensus of great community spirit.	51	Sense of community
80081	ql4x	safety	40	Safety/ security
80093	ql4x	proper policing, the crime rate here is high	41	Proper policing/ law enforcement
80108	ql4x	Location,	61	Location of the town/ centrally located
80110	ql4x	affordability	72	Lower/ more affordable cost of living
80114	ql4x	The school my kids go to, I enjoy the number of playgrounds and parks and I have met a lot of really kind people	36	Good educational facilities/ system
80120	ql4x	sports facilities. seniors places. Sports facilities and seniors places.	5	Sports facilities/ programs/ associations
80130	ql4x	jobs	14	Good/ enough employment opportunities
80140	ql4x	quiet	48	Quiet/ peaceful town
80156	ql4x	not very populated	58	No congestion/ not overly populated
80172	ql4x	amenities	16	More/ good/ accessible amenities
80179	ql4x	The rodeo	9	Stampede
80183	ql4x	safety, places to be able to enjoy (like leisure activities),a nd...	40	Safety/ security
80197	ql4x	location, cost, and...	61	Location of the town/ centrally located
80207	ql4x	swimming pool, the air cadet organization, and farming communities that do activities in Ponoka.	6	Pool/ water parks
80208	ql4x	Better amenities in the town now	16	More/ good/ accessible amenities
80214	ql4x	small town feel still	46	Small town/ small town feel
80226	ql4x	location is the most impoartant reason we like the town	61	Location of the town/ centrally located
80227	ql4x	Community Spirit	51	Sense of community
80241	ql4x	I really like how many things that they have going for families, with younger children. Like face painting in the park, outdoor movies. The children's carnival, at the arena every year.	7	Activities/ programs for kids
80271	ql4x	low cost of living	72	Lower/ more affordable cost of living
80270	ql4x	Jobs, the lack of jobs, here right now.	14	Good/ enough employment opportunities
80269	ql4x	none	97	None/ no reason
80272	ql4x	Biking and walking trails	4	Good/ enough parks/ trails/ green spaces
80282	ql4x	education	36	Good educational facilities/ system
80294	ql4x	smaller community, everyone is kind of close	46	Small town/ small town feel
80304	ql4x	The town should create more establishments and take care of parks and the recreation facilities are getting old	15	More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80320	ql4x	Jobs is always the big one, variety of business, we don't have enough variety here.	14	Good/ enough employment opportunities
80328	ql4x	Safety	40	Safety/ security
80318	ql4x	Facilities, Paths for keeping people active, Community organizations-churches and Citizen support for those in need.	25	Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80340	ql4x	Quiteness	48	Quiet/ peaceful town
80337	ql4x	size of the Town	54	Size of the town/ not so big, not so small
		I say that if taxes are reasonable, although they've increased, we have to make sure they don't go up too much. We have to watch our crime rate that it doesn't go up because it has increased, but it's still a safe community but the crime is something we have to monitor. It's still a safe community but the homeless have increased but it's still a safe community, as the number of homeless has gone up the crime rate has	31	Lower taxes/ property taxes
80326	ql4x	more receration event fo rkids to go to REV more recreation event for kids to go to	7	Activities/ programs for kids
80316	ql4x	I think education (c) a lot of immigrants are workers here but upgraded in terms of profession	36	Good educational facilities/ system
80356	ql4x	the new library	17	Improved/ enough activities in the library
80362	ql4x	jobs	14	Good/ enough employment opportunities
80363	ql4x	The swimming pool	6	Pool/ water parks
80364	ql4x	What attracted us here is the sense of community because of the small town ambience, it's the closeness of relationship between town meml	51	Sense of community
80366	ql4x	Stuff to do. Activities. More variety of things to do.	2	Good/ variety of recreation/ recreational activities/ programs
80403	ql4x			

80423 ql4x	Somewhere to shop	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80431 ql4x	the residents and the quality of buisnesses in town	55 The people/ residents (unspecified)
80447 ql4x	good environment to live in	49 Good community/ neighbourhood
80448 ql4x	Srvices for Young Families	30 Other social services mentions
80453 ql4x	I like the peace and quiet.	48 Quiet/ peaceful town
80463 ql4x	Most of their facilities are pretty well maintained. Arena swimming pools.	29 Well-maintained facilities
80469 ql4x	Diversity	50 Diversity
80459 ql4x	I think theykeep the town fairly neat other than the dead treess theykeep REV they keep	35 Beautiful/ clean town
80481 ql4x	The low taxes.	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
80485 ql4x	Security.	40 Safety/ security
80495 ql4x	Taxes are fairly low	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
80501 ql4x	low taxes	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
80502 ql4x	Small size of the town	46 Small town/ small town feel
80505 ql4x	Upgrade roads.	19 Good roads/ streets
80503 ql4x	Sense of Community	51 Sense of community
80510 ql4x	I know they are starting to pick up people from their homes so they can participate in community projects.	56 Civic responsibility/ involvement
80515 ql4x	Activities for families	8 Activities/ programs for families
80527 ql4x	Family	98 Other
80528 ql4x	More Doctors	23 Good/ enough doctors/ medical practitioners
80533 ql4x	Schools	36 Good educational facilities/ system
80543 ql4x	small kind of population	58 No congestion/ not overly populated
80546 ql4x	New hospital	22 Good hospitals/ medical facilities
80552 ql4x	We have good healthcare.	21 Good/ improved health services
80561 ql4x	Accessibility,	63 Accessibility/ walkable (unspecified)
80565 ql4x	Samll community	46 Small town/ small town feel
80566 ql4x	Accessibility to healthcare, doctor's offices, physiotherapy, that kid of thing.	24 Access to healthcare
80573 ql4x	affordable housing	27 More housing/ affordable housing
80592 ql4x	Small town is friendly is the first priority, good recreation facilities, the local paper is nice to have one	47 Friendly community/ people
80601 ql4x	The people in our community	55 The people/ residents (unspecified)
80600 ql4x	Cost of living, spike in petty crime like theft and vandalism, (p)	72 Lower/ more affordable cost of living
80598 ql4x	my quality of life is money	74 Good quality of life
80608 ql4x	Social programs, business developement, affordabiliy of life - taxes, basics such as food and water etc	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80607 ql4x	having a hospital, having doctors, and convenient grocery store	22 Good hospitals/ medical facilities
80612 ql4x	location	61 Location of the town/ centrally located
80614 ql4x	residency	98 Other
80616 ql4x	variety of recreation facilities	1 Good/ enough/ variety of recreational facilities
80617 ql4x	job (C) increase of jobs	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80620 ql4x	the cleanness, the trafic, the benefits	35 Beautiful/ clean town
80634 ql4x	A good small town	49 Good community/ neighbourhood
80637 ql4x	I just told you that it was getting poorer so there's not too many things contributing to, in my opinion it's a small town. That's great.	46 Small town/ small town feel
80653 ql4x	Community feel, availability of community activites,	51 Sense of community
80656 ql4x	Organization	68 Good/ responsive leadership/ government/ town council
80657 ql4x	Security, medical aid, access to services	40 Safety/ security
80426 ql4x	Freedom. Free of speech.	98 Other
80672 ql4x	a lot of christian churches	76 Good/ a lot of church/ religious groups
80673 ql4x	Good Walking Trails	4 Good/ enough parks/ trails/ green spaces
80674 ql4x	this goes back to if the town to become a city	98 Other
80675 ql4x	there are so many jobs	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80678 ql4x	Seclusion from high population centres	52 Not busy
80010 ql4y	Peace and order.	41 Proper policing/ law enforcement
80013 ql4y	waterparks and local business are nice	6 Pool/ water parks
80016 ql4y	I would say they built up an new library. (P) There is activities, as well, for the kids in the library. an REV a,	17 Improved/ enough activities in the library
80024 ql4y	recreation and culture	2 Good/ variety of recreation/ recreational activities/ programs
80029 ql4y	get some actual businesses in here	68 Good/ responsive leadership/ government/ town council
80034 ql4y	neighborhood watch	45 Other safety/ crime mentions
80038 ql4y	the landscaping, they're starting to plant more trees	35 Beautiful/ clean town
80037 ql4y	in town shopping	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities

80050 ql4y	the swimmin pool is nice	6 Pool/ water parks
80059 ql4y	to participate in the school	36 Good educational facilities/ system
80064 ql4y	Location of Ponoka itself has been beneficial. Fairly central.	61 Location of the town/ centrally located
80067 ql4y	hospital is lacking	22 Good hospitals/ medical facilities
80070 ql4y	transportation, be more open to the public.	20 Public transportation
80073 ql4y	Really good power services	98 Other
80071 ql4y	Job opportunities.	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80079 ql4y	I can see that they're spending the money for infrastructure and businesses are striving	33 Project funding prioritization
80077 ql4y	We are still small enough that people know each other. We are a close community.	46 Small town/ small town feel
80081 ql4y	good job oportunities	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80108 ql4y	The parks and the river walking path.	4 Good/ enough parks/ trails/ green spaces
80110 ql4y	lots pf nice parkland	4 Good/ enough parks/ trails/ green spaces
80130 ql4y	low income housing	27 More housing/ affordable housing
80140 ql4y	relatively crime free	42 No/ less crime
80156 ql4y	close to ammenities	16 More/ good/ accessible amenities
80172 ql4y	lpts of parks lpts REV lots	4 Good/ enough parks/ trails/ green spaces
80179 ql4y	The legion is active	98 Other
80183 ql4y	adequate stores like drugstores, libraries etc. libraries REV libraries	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80197 ql4y	accessibility to major cities.	62 Accessibility to other/ major cities (Edmonton, Red Deer, etc)
80207 ql4y	friendliness (most people are friendly) and ethnic diversity.	47 Friendly community/ people
80208 ql4y	Better attention to street cleaning and care in winter, snow removal	35 Beautiful/ clean town
80226 ql4y	reseasonable recreation facilities	1 Good/ enough/ variety of recreational facilities
80241 ql4y	I really appreciate the new programs our new library is providing.	17 Improved/ enough activities in the library
80271 ql4y	access to recreation facilities and sites	3 Access to recreational facilities
80270 ql4y	Breaking the stampede monopoly, that controls this town.	9 Stampede
80272 ql4y	Swimming pools	6 Pool/ water parks
80282 ql4y	activities for the kids	7 Activities/ programs for kids
80294 ql4y	the walking path on the river	4 Good/ enough parks/ trails/ green spaces
80328 ql4y	Community	49 Good community/ neighbourhood
80318 ql4y	No traffic Problems.	59 No traffic
80337 ql4y	accessability to public services	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80326 ql4y	Well, I really like the fact that we're a walkable community. I can walk between the trail systems, and between the sidewalks. One thing I really enjoy is that it's a really walkable community, have to improve the trail system in my opinion. And the sidewalks. (The respondent spoke quickly, and I missed some of his answer.)	63 Accessibility/ walkable (unspecified)
80316 ql4y	ther are no programs for kids, they need more prgrans to interegerate new kids int, more events tp get people, they need more event to bring peopel in and more reason for peopemle to move here REV There are no programs for kids. They need more programs to integrate	
80459 ql4y	new kids in, more events to get people, they need more event to bring people in and more reason for people to move here.	7 Activities/ programs for kids
80481 ql4y	They do a goojob of clearing the snow. REV good job	38 Good snow removal services
80485 ql4y	The location of Ponoka is fairly central from Edmonton we are 45 minutes and from Red Deer about 20.	62 Accessibility to other/ major cities (Edmonton, Red Deer, etc)
80495 ql4y	Business opportunities.	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80501 ql4y	The people that live here are nice, friendly community	47 Friendly community/ people
80502 ql4y	low rent and low rental property and housing costs	27 More housing/ affordable housing
80503 ql4y	The culture here	98 Other
80527 ql4y	garbage pickup.	37 Good waste/ garbage management
80528 ql4y	Recreation	2 Good/ variety of recreation/ recreational activities/ programs
80533 ql4y	Friends	47 Friendly community/ people
80546 ql4y	More community Services	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80552 ql4y	It's quiet. We don't have outside problems.	48 Quiet/ peaceful town
80561 ql4y	Close to Red Deer	62 Accessibility to other/ major cities (Edmonton, Red Deer, etc)
80566 ql4y	We have really good parks and recreation options.	4 Good/ enough parks/ trails/ green spaces
80573 ql4y	Town has everything you need for your day to day	75 Availability of everything that you need
80431 ql4y	The lack of choice in town, there is very little retial in town retial REV retail	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80448 ql4y	good schools	36 Good educational facilities/ system
80453 ql4y	ease of medical care	21 Good/ improved health services
80469 ql4y	Affordable Seniors housing	26 Good/ enough services/ facilities for the elderly
	I find it to be a pretty good place for seniors.	26 Good/ enough services/ facilities for the elderly
	Businesses	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities

80601 ql4y	I like living in a small town	46 Small town/ small town feel
80612 ql4y	small town atmosphere	46 Small town/ small town feel
80614 ql4y	financial stability	34 Other taxation/ municipal spending mentions
80616 ql4y	low taxes	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
80634 ql4y	We have everything we need.	75 Availability of everything that you need
	We're located nicely between some larger centres. When I was a kid in this town we had stores and we had shops and we had theatres. We had one theatre we used to go to one show a week. We go to one every five years now. Just not that great. But we're close to Red Deer.	
80637 ql4y	We're close to Edmonton, there's things that we need that we can't get in town we don't have far to go. We have good things about living in	62 Accessibility to other/ major cities (Edmonton, Red Deer, etc)
80653 ql4y	Expand businesses	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80656 ql4y	Friendliness	47 Friendly community/ people
80426 ql4y	Doing whatever you want to do as long as it is within the law.	60 Other town/ community mentions
80672 ql4y	they got a mcdonalds	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80673 ql4y	Good access to the city	62 Accessibility to other/ major cities (Edmonton, Red Deer, etc)
80674 ql4y	no real adult job unless you want to go to the oil patch	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80675 ql4y	they are upgrading the library	17 Improved/ enough activities in the library
80678 ql4y	fairly quiet	48 Quiet/ peaceful town
80013 ql4z	the stampede and all the events and attractions\and the availabilty of education in all schools	9 Stampede
80016 ql4z	The Ponoka has set up a different sports activities for the kids.	5 Sports facilities/ programs/ associations
80024 ql4z	social services	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80029 ql4z	more consequences or politicians or REV for	68 Good/ responsive leadership/ government/ town council
80034 ql4z	Having all the stores in town so we don't have to go anywhere.	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80067 ql4z	need more shopping	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80073 ql4z	Tax are reasonable	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
80071 ql4z	Transparency.	70 Communication/ transparency
80079 ql4z	Clean town	35 Beautiful/ clean town
80077 ql4z	It's a good old fashioned farming community.	57 Rural/ farming community
80081 ql4z	location of the town in the province	61 Location of the town/ centrally located
80140 ql4z	nice people	47 Friendly community/ people
80172 ql4z	fee;ing of safety fee;ling REV feeling	40 Safety/ security
80183 ql4z	playgrounds	4 Good/ enough parks/ trails/ green spaces
80197 ql4z	it's a safe place to live, it's quiet; safety	40 Safety/ security
80207 ql4z	the small-town atmosphere; many people know many people.	46 Small town/ small town feel
80226 ql4z	we have good health facilities, like doctors, dentists, hospitals and all of that	22 Good hospitals/ medical facilities
80271 ql4z	and town services that are available	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80270 ql4z	I would say bring in more health businesses, like mental health, physical health.	22 Good hospitals/ medical facilities
80272 ql4z	Hospitals and medical doctors	22 Good hospitals/ medical facilities
80282 ql4z	the walking paths and recreations facilities are pretty decent recreations REV recreation	4 Good/ enough parks/ trails/ green spaces
80328 ql4z	Communication with the town itself.	70 Communication/ transparency
80337 ql4z	for kids there are a lot of playgrounds,sports activities and a swimming pool	7 Activities/ programs for kids
80326 ql4z	The other , I think we have them, I think it's a relatively safe community. Relatively well-off community. Have to be careful to keep it that way. They need more reason for peopl to come and stay. They have Stampede. That's great for people to come. They do not have other sporting events. Ponoka has a great opportunity. There's potential there. It's close to bigger towns - 1.5hours to Calgary, 40 minutes to Winiskawin, etc. It's a good hub but it's not growing. There's nothing for people to grow. They need more people to draw people. There's not even a shoe shop. We live here because my wife works here but I work other town. There's no shop.	40 Safety/ security
80316 ql4z		9 Stampede
80431 ql4z	the general cleanliness in town	35 Beautiful/ clean town
80448 ql4z	Childcare	28 Childcare
80469 ql4z	Lower taxes	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
	They have a fair amount of seniors housing, as you get older there is not enough, there is waiting lists of 140 people, i'm not sure if that's the town or who takes cares of that. There is a Ponoka housing foundation, I think the town has someone on that board, I'm not sure what they	
80459 ql4z	Whenever we have a power outage the town is relatively fast at returning the service.	26 Good/ enough services/ facilities for the elderly
80481 ql4z	Recreational facilities.	43 Responsive emergency services
80485 ql4z	Some good amenities for families	1 Good/ enough/ variety of recreational facilities
80495 ql4z	Good neighbors	16 More/ good/ accessible amenities
80502 ql4z	More job prospects.	49 Good community/ neighbourhood
80503 ql4z	Ponocka Golf Club	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80601 ql4z	The resource available (P) family and community support system.	5 Sports facilities/ programs/ associations
80612 ql4z	schools are good (c good) education	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
		36 Good educational facilities/ system

80614 ql4z community (C) in general structural comunity suippor community (c) in general structural community support  
 80616 ql4z access to community services  
 80634 ql4z We like the doctors here and the hospital  
 80637 ql4z got a good golf course  
 80656 ql4z Balance  
 80673 ql4z It is a quiet town to raise children  
 80675 ql4z the municipality building is also improved  
 80678 ql4z Taxes are quite low  
 80007 ql5x definitely solve the crimes that is number one.More stuff for kids to do  
 80010 ql5x The crime rate to be lowered down.  
 80013 ql5x better garbage collection  
 80024 ql5x recycling and waste management  
 80010 ql5y More recreational facilities so people can exercise and have a healthy living.  
 80013 ql5y maintaining of trash and road services  
 80024 ql5y management of town owned properties  
 80013 ql5z fixing potholes  
 80024 ql5z maintenance and public presentation of property  
 80130 ed3 <7:Other (SPECIFY)>:Calgary

51 Sense of community  
 25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)  
 23 Good/ enough doctors/ medical practitioners  
 5 Sports facilities/ programs/ associations  
 98 Other  
 48 Quiet/ peaceful town  
 98 Other  
 31 Lower taxes/ property taxes  
 3 Crime control/ reduction  
 3 Crime control/ reduction  
 1 Waste/ garbage management/ recycling  
 1 Waste/ garbage management/ recycling  
 5 More recreational facilities/ programs  
 1 Waste/ garbage management/ recycling  
 6 Better management of town properties  
 4 Improved/ maintenance of roads  
 6 Better management of town properties  
 98 Other

80005 q1x	taxes	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80006 q1x	They need to upgrade their infrastructure as a senior,the prices of water and electricity is very high and they spend a lot of money and that i think they should use more common sense	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80004 q1x		29 Seniors' housing/ facilities/ services
80008 q1x	upgrading facilities - shopping facilities in this town	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80012 q1x	Recreation	56 Recreation (unspecified)
80014 q1x	bylaw officer	12 More/ full time by-law officers
80011 q1x	Helping our town grow. The whole recreational facilities; they've been working on it for years and i HAVEN'T SEEM ANYTHING DON ETO THE	46 Economic growth/ prosperity
80019 q1x	BUILDING	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80021 q1x	We do have some streets that needs some work	1 Improve roads/ streets
80022 q1x	charge our CAO and the Mayor with fraud they committed with money they cost us, has to be sued	59 More accountable/ competent/ responsive town councilors
80024 q1x	balance the towns budget and spend money wisely	16 Municipal government expenditures/ budget
80025 q1x	using tax money for more things about family like receration for example recreation REV recreation	19 Better allocation of funds/ prioritization of project funding
80027 q1x	theft	11 Theft
80026 q1x	I like to see weed control.	38 Beautification/ cleanliness of downtown/ community
80028 q1x	we need sport facilities or field house	53 Sports facilities/ programs
80032 q1x	revitalization in the community, more businesses Money spent on new townhall and the library, whatever they spent over there, I can't remember how much it was (c) it's costing taxpayers - I forgot how much a year, it's costing per year and per month and then it's costing payment of the buildings, I guess	39 Revitalization of downtown/ community
80034 q1x	road repair	20 Overspent on building the town hall
80036 q1x		1 Improve roads/ streets
80040 q1x	I would say that one of the most important would be the revitalization of small businesses	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80047 q1x	hockey arenas, swimming pools, i.e. recreation facilities. The lack of a big box store that would draw people to Ponoka. They would look around at the other smaller shops than to. I say that as small business owner, retired as of 2 years. It was a wrong decision not to let in any big stores. REV small a small REV not decision not	53 Sports facilities/ programs
80046 q1x	honestly beautification of town and fixing exterior of buildings like some building are really old and town need s more colors and plants	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80048 q1x	the by-laws; c (by-laws) I run a business in Ponoka; and I 'm one of five and there's about thirty five that are doing the same thing. They don't have a proper by-law in this town and because they can't addor one. And I've lived in Ponoka for 53 years, married. and because REV because\addor REV afford	38 Beautification/ cleanliness of downtown/ community
80056 q1x	needs growth	65 Better/ proper by-laws
80064 q1x	Well I think they should keep the taxes down a little.	22 Growth/ development (unspecified)
80067 q1x		15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80073 q1x	you know what i think garbage collection we used to have in back allies and now have to put infront to collect garbage,	35 Waste management/ garbage/ recycling/ collection services
80075 q1x	safety	10 Safety
80078 q1x	policing services	8 Policing/ law enforcement
80080 q1x	Business development to allow more businesses into the community to the population into Ponoka. REV the increase the ponoka is getting to be a senior place and they need to keep it budget freindly for them	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80084 q1x	Holding the line on taxes.	29 Seniors' housing/ facilities/ services
80088 q1x	Infrastructure.	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80096 q1x	The economy of the town	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80101 q1x	liked the way treat everyone and the work they do	43 Economy (unspecified)
80103 q1x	fixing the streets and cleaning them a little better (snow removal).	97 None/ nothing
80104 q1x	Well there is no place for seniors to do any activities. Basically outdoor activities, there is not place to go.	1 Improve roads/ streets
80106 q1x	Don't want my taxes to go up.	29 Seniors' housing/ facilities/ services
80109 q1x	Infrafracture	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80110 q1x	I would like to see all the buildings especially downtown to be kept looking proper like new like repaired and kept up the looks of the town even if they are empty should be kept with good looks and that should be done by the owner or te town should do it and charge the owner because some buildings look shabby and soome owners arent repairing them that includes downtown and the main street along the railway track the one across the street the one thats to the North when you cross the railway the reason on the store side and it is a big building and it should be either torn down or remodelled or fixed and theres a few others that are close and should still be kept up on the outside roads construction and they keep revamping downtown to make lable and to make business to come in but it is not working I wish they wont get in a deficit bec they already are bec of the library and i think they will be more in deficit bec they are building a recreation center.	40 Management of downtown buildings/ properties
80108 q1x	Greater amount of business. Something to sustain the town. Keep people here.	1 Improve roads/ streets
80111 q1x	policing	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80112 q1x	get more entertainment in	8 Policing/ law enforcement
80113 q1x	bylaws	50 More/ better recreational programs/ activities
80115 q1x		65 Better/ proper by-laws
80116 q1x	i dont know about the leaders but i have live in Ponoka for 11 yrs and they dont take responsibility and it is terrible.	59 More accountable/ competent/ responsive town councilors
80119 q1x	Taxes	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80121 q1x	Lower taxes	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80122 q1x	I dont know can't answer	99 Don't know/ na
80125 q1x	taxes c9axes revise taxes REV	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80124 q1x	growth	22 Growth/ development (unspecified)
80126 q1x	Maintainance and the town running properly	37 Better/ improve local services
80128 q1x	green spaces, parks and being environmentally conscious as possible	54 More/ better parks/ trails/ green spaces
80127 q1x	safety in the town	10 Safety
80130 q1x	Beautification of properties and businesses	38 Beautification/ cleanliness of downtown/ community
80129 q1x	The attraction of business, trying to grow our town	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80131 q1x	revitalizing downtown	39 Revitalization of downtown/ community
80134 q1x	Safety	10 Safety
80143 q1x	economics	43 Economy (unspecified)
80146 q1x	handling our taxes	16 Municipal government expenditures/ budget
80147 q1x	garbage collection (C) it does not happen often enough walk-in clinics (c) there's not enough clinic time for we end up going to emergency and emergency is not there for (walk-in), too long to wait to get doctors some time	35 Waste management/ garbage/ recycling/ collection services
80149 q1x	economic development	26 Better/ lack of hospitals/ walk-in clinics
80151 q1x	safety (c) where I live, I don't feel very safe	42 Economic development
80222 q1x	safety	10 Safety
80197 q1x	Infrastructure	10 Safety
80218 q1x	Crime	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80187 q1x	Affordable housing.	9 Crime prevention/ control
80246 q1x	accessibility	30 More/ affordable housing
80318 q1x	policing	67 Accessibility (unspecified)
80198 q1x	public works	8 Policing/ law enforcement
80348 q1x	oil and gas	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80107 q1x	upkeep of the town (PJ) dont think we need a aillion dollar facility for hockey	98 Other
80155 q1x	Budget, finance I have not been in Ponoka long but running a feed lot, a cattle auction that keep cattle there 24/7 and bales there to feed, in the town limits and should be abolished.	38 Beautification/ cleanliness of downtown/ community
80159 q1x	Honesty. I think we are getting proper information on a lot of stuff. I don't think they arre spending money in the right places.	16 Municipal government expenditures/ budget
80160 q1x	mosque	98 Other
80165 q1x		19 Better allocation of funds/ prioritization of project funding
		98 Other



80166 q11x	want them to keep the taxes low	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80170 q11x	I dont think there should be a mighty rec centre, I think there's a lot more that money could go to.	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80172 q11x	the roads and sidewalks need attention	1 Improve roads/ streets
80177 q11x	I think a little bit of revitalization in our town is important. Get some bigger businesses in here. revitalization REV	39 Revitalization of downtown/ community
80185 q11x	revitalization	1 Improve roads/ streets
80192 q11x	keep the streets in good repair	10 Safety
	safety around town: all the break-ins and thefts, whatever, so policing	
	Service Canada supports. Like, Service Canada office c(Service Canada supports) We have a huge unique population getting out of hospital, coming in from surroundings, communities, so many people need AISH or social supports or ID's or things like that and they don't leave here because their doctors are here, so they heavily rely on. I don't know, it's terrible.	98 Other
80186 q11x	give me money worth for taxes	18 Better value for taxes paid
80184 q11x	Deterioration, going downhill, nothing added	39 Revitalization of downtown/ community
80194 q11x	safety i feel safe in my house and i want to make sure it stays that way	10 Safety
80196 q11x	infrastructure like roads and streets	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80200 q11x	There are a few streets that have potholes.	1 Improve roads/ streets
80205 q11x	budgeting	16 Municipal government expenditures/ budget
80212 q11x	Facilities for seniors we do not have enough.	29 Seniors' housing/ facilities/ services
80207 q11x	The safety of the town. There are people hanging around our building that come out of the bar after hours and I do not feel safe in the downtown area.	10 Safety
80219 q11x	very satisfied on the whole -they do a good job	97 None/ nothing
80214 q11x	Financially living within our means without increasing the tax ratio.	98 Other
80225 q11x	quit spending money	16 Municipal government expenditures/ budget
80216 q11x	Recreation facilities	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80233 q11x	growth	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80221 q11x		
80237 q11x	The expenses of the city and the town. c(expenses) keeping our taxes as low as possible yet maintain the services required.	16 Municipal government expenditures/ budget
80232 q11x	poor decision making on capital spending	19 Better allocation of funds/ prioritization of project funding
80238 q11x	Keeping the town nice and clean	38 Beautification/ cleanliness of downtown/ community
	I would like the people working for the town of ponoka actually work instead of driving in their vehicules pretending to work.	62 More accountable/ competent town employees
80252 q11x	Snow Removal Services	3 Improve snow removal
80258 q11x	Bringing a business community into this town.	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80260 q11x	keep the town pretty and control the crime	38 Beautification/ cleanliness of downtown/ community
80249 q11x	I think they need more places for senior to live in a home they are hard to get into and there is a waiting list. I do not know how long I have to wait. Some people are waiting for a year. I think they are waiting for someone to pass away. I think it is pretty full.	
80245 q11x	safety for the public	29 Seniors' housing/ facilities/ services
80262 q11x	LOWERING taxes (C)they have gone up every year without any improvement .	10 Safety
80251 q11x	To own our own town hall	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80263 q11x	I feel like there needs to be more recreational facilities, (c) like a multiplex like the town of Blackfalls has.	69 Own facilities not leasing them (town hall, civic centre)
80269 q11x	The infrastructure, water, sewer, streets, snow removal, trees, boulevards.	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80268 q11x		34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
	infrastructure in the healthcare system (C) general hospital. Battle River clinic is new but when it comes to emergency at hospital it is the opposite of what medical clinic provides. I would like the hospital to run as efficiently as medical clinic. directions - in my opinion - should be given to law enforcement in this town, specifically traffic enforcement, things like people not stopping at stop signs, extremely loud mufflers, jake breaks- they are illegal in this town, nobody has ever received a ticket and it's common in this town, a \$250 ticket seniors (c)having more seniors housing accomodations activities programs	26 Better/ lack of hospitals/ walk-in clinics
80266 q11x	infrastructure it is going up grading before to long	6 Traffic/ road safety policing/ enforcement
80276 q11x	The roads and the sidewalks needs to be replaced Rep The roads and the sidewalks need to be replace	29 Seniors' housing/ facilities/ services
80277 q11x	Infrastructure like roads (c) They're just terrible to drive on, lots of potholes, they need to be fixed.	50 More/ better recreational programs/ activities
80281 q11x	They are running track and all that crap that is not needed. Business development is my priorutu	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80280 q11x	messy yards,	1 Improve roads/ streets
80279 q11x	Population growth	1 Improve roads/ streets
80293 q11x	crosswalks (C) pedestrian crossing (C) poorly marked. Most have only paint and we are winter city and cant see in winter.	19 Better allocation of funds/ prioritization of project funding
80298 q11x	Not very effective. Very few have vertical signs.	38 Beautification/ cleanliness of downtown/ community
80303 q11x	environmental respect(c)the short term focus ,misguided short term economic gain at the expense of long-term	66 Population growth/ attracting more/ young people
80307 q11x	environmental health/human health .	2 Safety of streets/ control speeding
80301 q11x	Just recently removed the playground equip[ment from our area, I would like to see it replaced. equip[ment REV	23 Environmental responsibility
80315 q11x	equipment	
80317 q11x	Recreation.(c) Places for kids to hang out, ressources for kids.	51 More/ better programs/ activities/ facilities for children
80324 q11x	Facilities for seniors	51 More/ better programs/ activities/ facilities for children
80322 q11x	The town should encourage more buisnesses to open in the town	29 Seniors' housing/ facilities/ services
	Openness and honesty, (c) the council meetings, i've been to many and have been given misinformation, I have been lied to and i have been verbally attacked.	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80319 q11x	Keep taxes in line	
80326 q11x	There's no shopping here. We have to drive to Red Deer or another town to do shopping other than groceries or liquor.	60 More transparency/ better communication among town council and townsfolk
80328 q11x	There are no clothing stores or other necessities.	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80332 q11x	Having zero program for the youth in Ponoka	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80336 q11x	revitalize downtown	52 More/ better programs/ activities for youth
80338 q11x	Amnities	39 Revitalization of downtown/ community
80337 q11x	recreational facilities	64 More/ better amenities
80340 q11x	side walk conditions	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80347 q11x	reducing taxes	5 Improve sidewalks
80354 q11x	business development	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80353 q11x	encourage economic growth	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80360 q11x	growth	46 Economic growth/ prosperity
	They should have never have gone into the deal with that old hosp[ital they should have got their own propety downtown	22 Growth/ development (unspecified)
80362 q11x	hosp[ital REV hospital	
80363 q11x	The youth needs more activities. I've been here for a year and I am not sure what activities are for us.	26 Better/ lack of hospitals/ walk-in clinics
80364 q11x	The Appearance	52 More/ better programs/ activities for youth
80365 q11x	To keep this town looking happy, not leaving any garbage lying around	38 Beautification/ cleanliness of downtown/ community
80368 q11x	infrastructure	39 Revitalization of downtown/ community
80369 q11x	town revitalization (cl) attracting businesses and development	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80372 q11x	taxes are too high	39 Revitalization of downtown/ community
80375 q11x	The way they're spending our money	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80371 q11x	it is hard to get a family doctor.	16 Municipal government expenditures/ budget
80377 q11x	vandalism	27 More doctors
80380 q11x	power and gas, utilities	14 All other crime mentions
80384 q11x	town growth	98 Other
80382 q11x	NO	22 Growth/ development (unspecified)
80383 q11x	The lack of the hospitals	97 None/ nothing
80379 q11x	maintaining the tax so the taxes don't go up	26 Better/ lack of hospitals/ walk-in clinics
80389 q11x	Money that the governement is delegating to smaller town	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80395 q11x	lack of downtown businesses	19 Better allocation of funds/ prioritization of project funding
80392 q11x	Safety. There is a bit of break in and car thief in the area.	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80394 q11x	Keep the taxes down.	10 Safety
		15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high

80398 q11x	Roads and service.	1 Improve roads/ streets
80399 q11x	Recreational facilities is huge	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80397 q11x	Crime Prevention (c)more of a task force focusing o n drug use and abuse	9 Crime prevention/ control
80406 q11x	theft	11 Theft
80401 q11x	Keeping businesses alive.(c) Really hard to shop in Ponoka, because not a lot of selection and very expensive if local.	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80403 q11x	the roads (c) they're starting to lose an asset. If you don't keep a thing paved properly, you start to lose it.	1 Improve roads/ streets
80408 q11x	sports complex for the kids	53 Sports facilities/ programs
80411 q11x	They need to look after security:policing is the main thing,ok so far	10 Safety
80419 q11x	Better recreation facilities.	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80417 q11x	Stop raising the taxes every year.	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80418 q11x	Seniors homes.	29 Seniors' housing/ facilities/ services
80424 q11x	town services, adequate provision (garbage collecting, snow clearing)	35 Waste management/ garbage/ recycling/ collection services
80422 q11x	amenities, like a field house, anything that attracts younger people to come and stay	64 More/ better amenities
80427 q11x	hot tub at the pool	55 Upgrading the pool/ build a new pool
80425 q11x	the roadways and infrastrcutures	1 Improve roads/ streets
80426 q11x	The employment in the town is going downhill.	44 Employment/ attract employers/ create jobs
80431 q11x	the upkeep of our streets	1 Improve roads/ streets
80430 q11x	Recreation: when you have kids in this town,sports facilities, recreation facilities.	51 More/ better programs/ activities/ facilities for children
80433 q11x	Recreation facilities	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80434 q11x	keeping taxes low	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80432 q11x	revitalizing downtown	39 Revitalization of downtown/ community
80437 q11x	Multi-purpose complex	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80436 q11x	The safety of the citizens, right now we don't have a place to walk and there's more gangs in town.	10 Safety
80449 q11x	Crime and rural property	9 Crime prevention/ control
80456 q11x	Development of the downtown.	39 Revitalization of downtown/ community
80472 q11x	I would say economic development, (c) supporting small businesses.	42 Economic development
80475 q11x	the Stampede takes up too much time	58 All other parks/ recreation/ culture mentions
80473 q11x	Security	10 Safety
80480 q11x	Security and policing. (c)	10 Safety
80469 q11x	To make more efforts to attract more business and to make more easy ,by easing back on requirements (not necessarily	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80485 q11x	to make concessions \in order to facilitate new Busines	16 Municipal government expenditures/ budget
80490 q11x	Spending money.	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80492 q11x	Trying to attract business.	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80493 q11x	lack of A WALKING TRACK FOR SENIOR (INDOOR TRACK)	8 Policing/ law enforcement
80504 q11x	policing budget, understaff	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80503 q11x	Maybe just having a better rec center, (c) do something with the parks so that the kids can play in winter.	53 Sports facilities/ programs
80501 q11x	Sports complex for indoor sports	44 Employment/ attract employers/ create jobs
80507 q11x	Job creation	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80513 q11x	Upgrade recreational facilities.	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80514 q11x	Just infrastructure.	9 Crime prevention/ control
80514 q11x	A lot of people are talking about crime. (c) The rates are quite high.	
80511 q11x	Looking after infrastructure, (c) the Town's getting older and the water and sewer has deteriorated, I used to be a plumber.	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80515 q11x	road conditions	1 Improve roads/ streets
80517 q11x	Activities for kids.	51 More/ better programs/ activities/ facilities for children
80520 q11x	Safety, there are a lot of break-ins.	10 Safety
80519 q11x	Streets	1 Improve roads/ streets
80521 q11x	I'm a big believer in putting money into city repairs.	19 Better allocation of funds/ prioritization of project funding
80522 q11x	Our roads (c) they need to be upgraded.	1 Improve roads/ streets
80525 q11x	Our hospitals. (c)	26 Better/ lack of hospitals/ walk-in clinics
80532 q11x	Social resources, like income support.	33 All other social issues mentions
80535 q11x	Kids' facilities. (c)	51 More/ better programs/ activities/ facilities for children
80538 q11x	I think there's a lack of stores, like clothing stores for families for example.	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80542 q11x	Recreation for the kids.	51 More/ better programs/ activities/ facilities for children
80543 q11x	Improvement of the downtown area.	39 Revitalization of downtown/ community
80544 q11x	I don't think they listen to the people. Six years ago, I went to a meeting and nothing came of it. Everything got shot down.	
80546 q11x	They've limited the time you could express your opinion down to 3 minutes or 1 minute from 15. I don't think they're	59 More accountable/ competent/ responsive town councilors
80547 q11x	interested in the people.	54 More/ better parks/ trails/ green spaces
80548 q11x	Recreational access, for example pathways.	98 Other
80549 q11x	Growth - the growing community, the facilities for it. Right now, Ponoka's almost too small for the people in it.	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80550 q11x	More diversity in shopping and retailers	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80551 q11x	retail, we need more of it, we have to travel to red deer for most of it	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80552 q11x	Taxes	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80553 q11x	Recreation, we need facility renewal or new facilities	1 Improve roads/ streets
80554 q11x	Streets	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80555 q11x	Recreation facilities	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80556 q11x	Infrastructure	3 Improve snow removal
80557 q11x	No removal in the winter time	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80558 q11x	bringin in new business	37 Better/ improve local services
80559 q11x	maintenance of services	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80560 q11x	keep taxes low	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80561 q11x	recreation for families, decent infrastructure, pro active council in the community that listens	21 All other taxation/ municipal government spending mentions
80562 q11x	School districts lack of funding for smaller classrooms.	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80563 q11x	Municipal infrastructures (ongoing improvement and investments)	55 Upgrading the pool/ build a new pool
80564 q11x	Recreation needs updates in the facilities like the pool & arena.	1 Improve roads/ streets
80565 q11x	road conditions	47 Economic diversification
80566 q11x	Diversifying the town economy	51 More/ better programs/ activities/ facilities for children
80567 q11x	children's facilities c(facilities) Sports fields, library, something that meets the kids needs extracurricular	
80568 q11x		49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80569 q11x	the recreation centre c(recreation centre) there was a great talk of building one and it seems to have dissipated	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80570 q11x	Business Development.	60 More transparency/ better communication among town council and townsfolk
80571 q11x	transparency of financial dealings that the town has with it's citizens	16 Municipal government expenditures/ budget
80572 q11x	Balancing Budgets	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80573 q11x	High taxes and they do nothing for it.	35 Waste management/ garbage/ recycling/ collection services
80574 q11x	garbage pickup	39 Revitalization of downtown/ community
80575 q11x	The town need to upgrade the facility than wanting to rebuild new.	98 Other
80576 q11x	I want to be able to have a vote on any recreational spending recreational REV recreational	53 Sports facilities/ programs
80577 q11x	More important sports activities for our young people.	
80578 q11x	we have a lot of oak trees and it is laborious for trimming but there is a lot of branches of falling during indy days which	38 Beautification/ cleanliness of downtown/ community
80579 q11x	almost hit my car a four days ago	98 Other
80580 q11x	we need to get rid of those two pairs and we're good to go nedd REV need	40 Management of downtown buildings/ properties
80581 q11x	State of downtown so many buildings unoccupied falling into disrepairs	1 Improve roads/ streets
80582 q11x	Potholes	44 Employment/ attract employers/ create jobs
80583 q11x	we need full time jobs, works	
80584 q11x		15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80585 q11x	Taxes (c) as far as I'm concerned too high for this size of town, I don't see where the money is going anywhere	
80586 q11x	I believe the health care, keeping the small hospital that we have. Making we can provide all the necessary procedures that	25 Improve healthcare (unspecified)
80587 q11x	a small town needs. REV we sure we	

80047	q11y	street condition	1 Improve roads/ streets
80046	q11y	Very often both railway crossings are blocked like for quite a time. I just wonder what would happen with an emergency, can't get to a hospital.	7 All other transportation mentions
80048	q11y	impressions when economically speaking ponoka COULD GET LIKE POST SECONDARY COLLEGE IT DOES HAVE LIBRARY AND HAVE INDEPENDENT POST SECONDARY COLLEGE WITH COURSES LIKE ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY AND FARMING COMMUNITY AND THAT WOULD BRING IN MORE PEOPLE AND HELP ECONOMY infrastructure; c (infrastructure) Our back alley, they just come and put a bandate once a year, and it's full with potholes.	31 Improve quality/ increase number of schools
80056	q11y	bandate REV bandage	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80064	q11y	They got themselves into a financial crisis.	16 Municipal government expenditures/ budget
80073	q11y	not impressed that townhall rented or leased building	69 Own facilities not leasing them (town hall, civic centre)
80075	q11y	Economic development activity.	42 Economic development
80078	q11y	taxes c(taxes) No	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80080	q11y	Reduce the taxes. I used to own a house here but had to sell it because a big portion of it was due to property tax.	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80088	q11y	policing	8 Policing/ law enforcement
80096	q11y	Showcasing the town more	41 All other municipal government services mentions
80101	q11y	doing excellent things going well	97 None/ nothing
80109	q11y	Qualified staff in public works	59 More accountable/ competent/ responsive town councilors
80111	q11y	Control crime in the community.	9 Crime prevention/ control
80112	q11y	Too many people in municipal government.	61 All other leadership/ council mentions
80113	q11y	more availability to the public	60 More transparency/ better communication among town council and townsfolk
80115	q11y	beatification of panolka garbage everywhere clear up yards	38 Beautification/ cleanliness of downtown/ community
80116	q11y	everything is not good and they dont have anything maybe only the farm is good.so when i have a problem i go to the ponoka county bec they listen and so i go to the ponoka county because they dont listen to the ponoka town.	98 Other
80119	q11y	I have always felt that perhaps we have the stampede every year and we have the ag center and it is always a cowboy town and things dont seem to change much as far as business have a lot of small business such as second hand stores I would love to see them change the downtown core into a Western Theme so that you attract people to come here there hasnt been muhc growth as far as reidential so that is what I would like to see something that would attract people	39 Revitalization of downtown/ community
80124	q11y	bettering the town communications	60 More transparency/ better communication among town council and townsfolk
80126	q11y	Enough stuff going on around here I think	97 None/ nothing
80128	q11y	recreational activities for young people	52 More/ better programs/ activities for youth
80127	q11y	Well cared for streets and utilities, etc.	1 Improve roads/ streets
80130	q11y	to address property crime like crime in the community	9 Crime prevention/ control
80131	q11y	more work on the trail system	54 More/ better parks/ trails/ green spaces
80134	q11y	Keep taxes down.	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80146	q11y	sport and arenas and sport stuff need updating sport REV sports	53 Sports facilities/ programs
80149	q11y	maintenance of the roads	1 Improve roads/ streets
80151	q11y	good receration facilities recreation REV recreation	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80354	q11y	infrastructure	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80324	q11y	Recreation	56 Recreation (unspecified)
80336	q11y	street condition	1 Improve roads/ streets
80107	q11y	they need to address the aging sewer systems to homes and water systems	36 Water/ sewer services
80155	q11y	Attracting residents	66 Population growth/ attracting more/ young people
80159	q11y	Our recreational arena should be run by local people and seven days a week and the concession should not be shut down on Sundays because that is when a lot of people come to town and want something to eat and coffee and like that. They should be more firm about derelict properties. They want to lower the taxes for the owners that aren't cleaning up their properties. That's the most ludicrous thing I ever heard in the paper. They should clean it up for them and put the cost on their taxes.	58 All other parks/ recreation/ culture mentions
80160	q11y	don't want them to get into any more large capital building projects	59 More accountable/ competent/ responsive town councilors
80166	q11y	Transportation c(transportation) People can't afford to take Community Wheelchair van and people can't afford to get out of town to medical appointments and stuff, or to get to Service Canada offices. Things like that.	19 Better allocation of funds/ prioritization of project funding
80186	q11y	Recreation facilities	4 Transit service
80197	q11y	my property taxes. I would like the tax bill explained by someone who knows what they are talking about,	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80184	q11y	Seniors property taxes should not go up because pension doesn't go up	17 Lower property taxes
80196	q11y	no i feel quite comfortable the way it is	29 Seniors' housing/ facilities/ services
80200	q11y	more for adult peole todo they put on barbeques which is nice geared towards kids like to see it more for adults we dont have kids we dont mind going to the barbeque everything is geared towards kids,something for adults to do and not just kids,maybe have something for adults to do peole REV people;	97 None/ nothing
80212	q11y	expenditures,	58 All other parks/ recreation/ culture mentions
80218	q11y	Sidewalks	16 Municipal government expenditures/ budget
80219	q11y	Clean up the garbage in the streets. There is broken glass everywhere. I cannot ride my bike. It is a hazard. People driving it is a hazard. People walking it is hazard. People are not picking up the dog poo when they walk their dogs and it is on the sidewalks and you have to dodge it.	5 Improve sidewalks
80214	q11y	NOTHING	38 Beautification/ cleanliness of downtown/ community
80216	q11y	tax dollars	97 None/ nothing
80221	q11y	doing a pretty good job right now, haven't been able to attract a younger population into the area, so the Town has mostly stagnated, I've been here 40 years or more, and we haven't seen much growth at all in business or population; a decline, actually	16 Municipal government expenditures/ budget
80237	q11y	Education is very important.	97 None/ nothing
80232	q11y	municipality taxes are pretty high for this area	33 All other social issues mentions
80238	q11y	They're spending too much money on surveys and all these sort of things	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80246	q11y	road maintenance	19 Better allocation of funds/ prioritization of project funding
80258	q11y	Garbage Collection	1 Improve roads/ streets
80249	q11y	keep our taxes low	35 Waste management/ garbage/ recycling/ collection services
80245	q11y	The mayor and the people who runs the town are good at spending money on new things that Ponoka does not need. They want to build a new sport center and for a small town we already have 3 different ice rink to use now and it is adequit for our small town.	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80262	q11y	small business economy	19 Better allocation of funds/ prioritization of project funding
80251	q11y	facilities for children,in order to attract young families\c) basketball courts or soccer pitches which are not expensive and thqt would be an econical substitute	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80263	q11y	I think the Ponoka Arena complex needs an extreme upgrade	51 More/ better programs/ activities/ facilities for children
80269	q11y	We need to be more agressive in attracting more business.	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80267	q11y	More attention and highlight indigenous population. Ponoka elementary school is progressive about white and indigenous community and I feel it should ne highlighted better for reconciliation.	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80266	q11y	have a number of projects in town, funded by council, and lots of areas that should be funded are not - for example, local sports centre the Town has been pushing. Town's council members children are into sports and taxes go up to pay for stuff like that; emphasis put on organized sports, taken out playgrounds; "there will be green spaces left there" we are told	98 Other
80276	q11y	pet control (we have a bad cat problem here in Ponoka	19 Better allocation of funds/ prioritization of project funding
80281	q11y	spend to much on sports and stuff	63 Animal control/ by-law
80280	q11y	The snow removal in the winter	19 Better allocation of funds/ prioritization of project funding
80279	q11y	snow removal and keeping up roads and parks	3 Improve snow removal
80303	q11y	More jobs in the town	3 Improve snow removal
80307	q11y	aking care of business contracting. Should be improved as well as quality control on projects contract	44 Employment/ attract employers/ create jobs
80301	q11y	the conflicts in some of the nepotism (c) it speaks tp a larger management issue at the top	98 Other
			59 More accountable/ competent/ responsive town councilors

80315 q11y	I hate the garbage disposal and recycling program they have now (p) the fact the the garbage now is in front on the streets,	35 Waste management/ garbage/ recycling/ collection services
80317 q11y	it's very much an eyesore. the the REV that the	98 Other
80322 q11y	Property value.(c) Less business in town.	1 Improve roads/ streets
80318 q11y	The maintenance that the town dosnt provide like roads and snow removal	32 Homelessness
80319 q11y	the homeless on the street	59 More accountable/ competent/ responsive town councilors
80332 q11y	I guess the lack of initiative, this council is a follower.	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80338 q11y	Infrastrutree, the roads need to fixed an paved REV Infrastructure, the roads need to be fixed and paved	1 Improve roads/ streets
80337 q11y	Greatning roads	1 Improve roads/ streets
80347 q11y	streets need work	
80347 q11y	spending tax dollars on a prudent way less waste they take alot of taxes and dont do much waste alot of money	16 Municipal government expenditures/ budget
80360 q11y	create opportunities for businesses to come	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80364 q11y	Recycling	35 Waste management/ garbage/ recycling/ collection services
80368 q11y	attract young people	66 Population growth/ attracting more/ young people
80369 q11y	policing	8 Policing/ law enforcement
80375 q11y	Our road systems, the upheap of them all, summer and winter	1 Improve roads/ streets
80377 q11y	recreation is terrible	50 More/ better recreational programs/ activities
80380 q11y	garbage, (c) every second week with two bins is too little	35 Waste management/ garbage/ recycling/ collection services
80379 q11y	provide reasonable services	37 Better/ improve local services
80392 q11y	I would like the By-Law Officer have more time because he is part-time.	12 More/ full time by-law officers
80398 q11y	Taxes and how they choose the rate.	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80399 q11y	Infrastrutue updates	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80397 q11y	People retaining too much junk,and who do not shovel their walks in the winter	98 Other
80401 q11y	Activities for youth. (c) Stuff to do for kids to keep them in the community.	52 More/ better programs/ activities for youth
80403 q11y	recreation	56 Recreation (unspecified)
80411 q11y	Enforce the bylaw of cleaning up back alleys in town for overgrown trees	8 Policing/ law enforcement
80419 q11y	Addressing some of the crime. There seems to be a lot of break-ins.	9 Crime prevention/ control
80424 q11y	continued recruitment of doctors	27 More doctors
80422 q11y	taxes could always be less	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80426 q11y	Sports facilities need to be drastically updated.	53 Sports facilities/ programs
80433 q11y	roads	1 Improve roads/ streets
80432 q11y	more long-term planning	68 Long-term/ continuous planning
80437 q11y	High speed internet	98 Other
80436 q11y	An indoor community center where you can do exercise like walking and walking tracks.	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80449 q11y	none other	97 None/ nothing
80456 q11y	Recreational facilities, (c) they need upgrading.	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80473 q11y	Infrastructures	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80480 q11y	Structural roadway maintenance.	1 Improve roads/ streets
80469 q11y	OVERALL THE TOWN IS DOING A GOOD JOB	97 None/ nothing
80485 q11y	We should own our civic center, not be leasing it.	69 Own facilities not leasing them (town hall, civic centre)
80493 q11y	maintenance, roadways, snow removal	98 Other
80503 q11y	roads maintenance especially in winter	1 Improve roads/ streets
80501 q11y	Economy	43 Economy (unspecified)
80507 q11y	All the infrastructure needs to be upgraded like roads and sewers etc.	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80514 q11y	Recreation. (c) The facilities are quite old	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80511 q11y	The stupidity of the Town council is something that bugs the hell out of me, they're stupid enough to argue with the	
80520 q11y	couny as to who's going to run the fire department and now the Town has no fire department.	59 More accountable/ competent/ responsive town councilors
80521 q11y	Recreation facilities, (c) just their overall improvement.	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80522 q11y	Keeping businesses in town.	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80522 q11y	snow removal	3 Improve snow removal
80532 q11y	Bylaw enforcement.	8 Policing/ law enforcement
80542 q11y	Make our roads better.	1 Improve roads/ streets
80546 q11y	Sports and recreational facilities.	53 Sports facilities/ programs
80550 q11y	Town trucks being used for personal use	62 More accountable/ competent town employees
80573 q11y	crumbling infrastructure, roads	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80575 q11y	Roads need to be fixed.	1 Improve roads/ streets
80574 q11y	Economic development (attract business to the community and stimulate home grown business)	42 Economic development
80580 q11y	some of the sidewalks are starting to fall into disrepair	5 Improve sidewalks
80579 q11y	improving the recreation (C) The facilities and the quality of the staff.	50 More/ better recreational programs/ activities
80591 q11y	I would like them to expand, I would like the town to expand and grow job opportunities for the Town of Ponoka	46 Economic growth/ prosperity
80595 q11y	we need the state of the union address at least once a year	60 More transparency/ better communication among town council and townsfolk
80600 q11y	Maintaining Roads for business	1 Improve roads/ streets
80599 q11y	The whole council should be fired. The mayor is a joke	59 More accountable/ competent/ responsive town councilors
80006 q11z	MAke sure the tax rate is competitive with the surrounding communities.	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80008 q11z	they should focus on the balance sheet	16 Municipal government expenditures/ budget
80011 q11z	A little more support for our senior citizens.	29 Seniors' housing/ facilities/ services
80028 q11z	we have a learning cnete and nobody know s the benfeit because they offer nothing we need. cnete REV center, know s REV knows, benfeit REV benefit	41 All other municipal government services mentions
80034 q11z	a bunch of bldgs downtown(C) their empty and whoever owns should be given time line to rent them out or let someone	
80040 q11z	leased teh m at a feasbile price bldgs REV buildings, teh m REV them	40 Management of downtown buildings/ properties
80046 q11z	The infrastructure, the maintenance of the roads.	34 Infrastructure updates/ improvement
80048 q11z	We have 50 kilometer sign right buy our place. Consistently speed by at well over 50 kilometers probably 70 to 80	
80064 q11z	kilometers at least. REV 50 a 50 REV our by our	2 Safety of streets/ control speeding
80088 q11z	They need to support local businesses; it's not just me, it's also the downtown businesses; (p) they need to hire local	98 Other
80112 q11z	contractors.	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80115 q11z	green space	54 More/ better parks/ trails/ green spaces
80116 q11z	economic development	42 Economic development
80117 q11z	more businesse coming to paonaka	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80118 q11z		1 Improve roads/ streets
80119 q11z	they have to fix the road but they never do that.I go to Lacombe and they always do something but here nothing	
80120 q11z	Everything else is what it is al enjoy the senoiros center is going fullnblats he town hasnt grown more thana apoercentage	
80121 q11z	from what was in ten bnwspaper I think ti needs to have something to arat oepolk ] REV Everything else is what it is. I	
80122 q11z	enjoy the senior center is going full blast the town hasnt grown more than a percentage point from what was in the	
80123 q11z	newspaper I think it needs to ave something to attract people	97 None/ nothing
80124 q11z	I think they are doing not too bad a job the way they are running it right now	97 None/ nothing
80125 q11z	preserving the history	58 All other parks/ recreation/ culture mentions
80126 q11z	Reasonable taxes.	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80127 q11z	Keep or improve the recreational facilitiess and walking trails	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80128 q11z	Build the pedway over the stampede ground.	58 All other parks/ recreation/ culture mentions
80129 q11z	We should have some more essential stores like clothing and shoes.	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80130 q11z	do like the garbage service- think it's great	97 None/ nothing
80131 q11z		
80132 q11z	Recreation. I feel that the surrounding communities are far surpassing us in recreational facilities c(recreational facilities)	
80186 q11z	Like skating rinks, swimming pool, affordable family you know gym. That kind of stuff.	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80197 q11z	Keeping our taxes reasonable	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80184 q11z	seniors should not have tp pay for school taxes	21 All other taxation/ municipal government spending mentions
80200 q11z	they spend too much money they build the new town hall and i dont think that was needed	20 Overspent on building the town hall

80219 q11z	Encouraging people to shop local instead of driving to Red Deer, Whitaskiwin, Edmonton, Camrose. Town Council to encourage more businesses to come to the downtown core.	48 All other economy mentions
80221 q11z	communicate events downtown- develop the downtown core more, it's been too long, we've had too many vacant buildings downtown: means less taxes for municipality, less everything, SO many vacant buildings for so long not being used	60 More transparency/ better communication among town council and townsfolk
80237 q11z	Facilities for seniors is very important.	29 Seniors' housing/ facilities/ services
80238 q11z	I don't approve of the new town hall c(town hall) it costs too much money and they don;t really own it don;t REV don't	20 Overspent on building the town hall
80246 q11z	community hospital	26 Better/ lack of hospitals/ walk-in clinics
80249 q11z	Look after the recreation facities that are here now facities ref facilities	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80245 q11z	There is not enough places to shop here. We have one clothing stores and that is it.	45 Grow business sector/ attract more businesses
80251 q11z	the mail-boxes should be on the street we reside in.That may not be a municipal jurisdiction and we do not have a street sign ,nor side-walks ,nor lighting.	98 Other
80263 q11z	They should be an open government which I think they do pretty good at.	60 More transparency/ better communication among town council and townsfolk
80276 q11z	Noise controls of Motor-cycles (C)noisy motorcycles	6 Traffic/ road safety policing/ enforcement
80281 q11z	keep taxes where we can afford to live here.	15 Lower taxes/ taxes are too high
80280 q11z	public transport for segnor Rep public transpor for seniors	29 Seniors' housing/ facilities/ services
80303 q11z	recreation developpement	56 Recreation (unspecified)
80301 q11z	healthy environments support healthy proplr who build healthy communities	33 All other social issues mentions
80315 q11z	I think the snow removal in the wintertime on the residential streets is lacking.	3 Improve snow removal
80319 q11z	The haphazard and real lack of investigation into these programs, i.e. the garbage program and the compost program.	59 More accountable/ competent/ responsive town councilors
80332 q11z	Services from the town such as garbage, snow removal, anything like that and they need to be soncistent and timely and not just in front of the Mayor or council houses REV Services from the Town such as garbage, snow removal, anything like that and they need to be consistent and timely and not just in front of the Mayor or council houses	35 Waste management/ garbage/ recycling/ collection services
80338 q11z	Crime watch	9 Crime prevention/ control
80380 q11z	cleaning the streets in the wintertime	38 Beautification/ cleanliness of downtown/ community
80379 q11z	the back alleys are rough, especially in my area and it pounds the cars and trucks away (the undercarriage of the vehicle).	7 All other transportation mentions
80398 q11z	Recreation services.	50 More/ better recreational programs/ activities
80399 q11z	Updated schools and education	31 Improve quality/ increase number of schools
80419 q11z	Accessibility. There are places where it sucks	67 Accessibility (unspecified)
80424 q11z	pursuit of a rec center	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80422 q11z	basic town revitalizing. Our surrounding communities are growing and prospering, while we're stagnant. Attracting commerce and business.	39 Revitalization of downtown/ community
80436 q11z	I'd like to see more community growth, I'd like to see more businesses coming into the town.	46 Economic growth/ prosperity
80456 q11z	Streets and roads, (c) paving, not chipping.	1 Improve roads/ streets
80469 q11z	Their recreation facility should be replaced and they should\provide not only for adults but kids -an Indoor track for walking and excercising and avoiding incidents which could occur outdoors	49 More/ better recreational facilities/ centre
80501 q11z	The up-keep of services and facilities	37 Better/ improve local services
80511 q11z	The cost of recreation is getting out of hand, I know it costs a lot to operate these buildings but the price is getting out of hand.	16 Municipal government expenditures/ budget
80520 q11z	We love the library and the programs that they offer.	97 None/ nothing
80521 q11z	Things we can do to give children, especially teenagers, a safe place to play. There's a skate park, but if they're not skaters, there's no other place.	52 More/ better programs/ activities for youth
80522 q11z	I don't understand why, if we take the recycling to the dump, why we pay extra if we pay for pickup already.	35 Waste management/ garbage/ recycling/ collection services
80546 q11z	Snow removal and street sweeping.	3 Improve snow removal
80550 q11z	Overuse of public resources like street cleaners	19 Better allocation of funds/ prioritization of project funding
80580 q11z	lack of growth	22 Growth/ development (unspecified)
80579 q11z	Being as environmentally friendly as possible in terms of looking at alternative energy sources when they are looking at infrastructure.	23 Environmental responsibility
80591 q11z	I think we need a full time bylaw officer	12 More/ full time by-law officers
80595 q11z	overall planning overall cointinul planning REV overall planning, overall continous planning	68 Long-term/ continuous planning
80005 q14x	more senior housing -someplace inbetween Ramoca and northcott	26 Good/ enough services/ facilities for the elderly
80006 q14x	The big one is the quality of life id the friendliness in town. our overall quality of life is good in the town.	74 Good quality of life
80004 q14x	the friendly good people	47 Friendly community/ people
80008 q14x	personal space	60 Other town/ community mentions
80012 q14x	People	55 The people/ residents (unspecified)
80014 q14x	recreation	2 Good/ variety of recreation/ recreational activities/ programs
80011 q14x	Activities for everyone, senior and the children. senior REV seniors,	10 Activities/ programs for everyone
80021 q14x	it is not a huge town-it is fairly quiet here and we could use more businesses.	46 Small town/ small town feel
80022 q14x	too many people from outside communities, not feel like family anymore	53 Close community
80024 q14x	services available, recreation (eg parks) facilities, and business	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80025 q14x	I like that it's a small town.	46 Small town/ small town feel
80027 q14x	people are rather friendly, supportive but theft is bad in pnoka pnoka REV ponoka	47 Friendly community/ people
80026 q14x	I know that we could use more public washrooms in the downtown area.	18 Other amenities mentions
80028 q14x	If the Council, Mayor and CAO would listen to the people	70 Communication/ transparency
80032 q14x	areas that you live in, jobs, small town people - you know more people	27 More housing/ affordable housing
80034 q14x	just the cost of living here, like the tax tax REV taxes	72 Lower/ more affordable cost of living
80036 q14x	need more clothing stores for sure, we don't have any here	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80040 q14x	I guess it would be having a council hears about what the people of the town are concerned about and are trying to do what the people of the town are asking them to do. REV hears that hears	70 Communication/ transparency
80047 q14x	the location of it (it's quite but central), it has good facilities (hospitals, schools), and it's friendly. quite REV quiet	61 Location of the town/ centrally located
80046 q14x	I guess again a big box store of some type so we wouldn't have to shop out of Ponoka.	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80048 q14x	social connectiveness , good schools and education and emegency responses like ambulance and fire service	53 Close community
80052 q14x	friendliness, stores and schools	47 Friendly community/ people
80067 q14x	Well I think they kept a little closer eye on the theft in Ponoka. REV they if they probably we got good arenas and pools , schools options different kind of schools kids can go to, solid RCMP detachment and police	44 Theft reduction
80073 q14x	safety	5 Sports facilities/ programs/ associations
80075 q14x	I think having good health care facilities.	40 Safety/ security
80076 q14x	Bringing back businesses into the community to promote more employment, therefore growing our economy.	21 Good/ improved health services
80080 q14x	safety	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80084 q14x	Public safety, it just seems like there is a lot of dodgy people.	40 Safety/ security
80086 q14x	Nice community.	40 Safety/ security
80088 q14x	loss of jobs	49 Good community/ neighbourhood
80096 q14x	taxes and quality of life	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80101 q14x	family things, sports arena, and more businesses in town.	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
80103 q14x	I like community church service.	8 Activities/ programs for families
80106 q14x	Safe community	76 Good/ a lot of church/ religious groups
80109 q14x	It is a wonderful thing. We have a hospital and a clinic with high standards o docors available and I tink so far it gets a bit dated up as far as the docors appointments are quite dated up but they will get you in ealer if you really have to (p) No i think the town is doing well I mean I am just a senior so ldk what the scoreis with the community things with younger people whether they would need more community things to be pu ton that I don know (p) my ms has gone bad so i am not thinking about my things.Will i be able to get a help from the town of Ponoka? I doubt it.	40 Safety/ security
80110 q14x		22 Good hospitals/ medical facilities
80108 q14x		25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)

80111 q/4x	Friendly community.	47 Friendly community/ people
80112 q/4x	the river valley	66 Scenic setting/ close to nature
80113 q/4x	There is something for everybody, it is good	10 Activities/ programs for everyone
80115 q/4x	idk its small town yuo know most peiple neighs watch out , easy to get arounf,, and see neighboughs	46 Small town/ small town feel
80116 q/4x	they should support all kinds of business	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80119 q/4x	There are activities for seniors we need more apartments or senior condos that sort of thing seems to be an awful lot of	26 Good/ enough services/ facilities for the elderly
80121 q/4x	seniors retiring and going to Legacy we really need senior places to live	72 Lower/ more affordable cost of living
80122 q/4x	The cost of living is too high, taxes are too high, the town council does not listen to what people tell them	9 Stampede
80124 q/4x	i dont know stampese its great nice size , i am too old	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
80126 q/4x	low taxes	61 Location of the town/ centrally located
80128 q/4x	We are a central community and we have the stuff the we need in town	40 Safety/ security
80127 q/4x	safety	40 Safety/ security
80130 q/4x	Safety	55 The people/ residents (unspecified)
80130 q/4x	The community itself the people in the community the residents	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80129 q/4x	Businesses and amenities are a big thing	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80131 q/4x	reasonable quality of services	46 Small town/ small town feel
80147 q/4x	small community	57 Rural/ farming community
80149 q/4x	rural atmosphere	
80151 q/4x	low tax base which helps money mto spend in the town REV low tax base which helps us spend more money in the town	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
80337 q/4x	safety	40 Safety/ security
80237 q/4x	Safety	40 Safety/ security
80312 q/4x	Water	39 Other municipal government mentions
80213 q/4x	Affordability	72 Lower/ more affordable cost of living
80354 q/4x	lower property taxes	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
80258 q/4x	Recreation	2 Good/ variety of recreation/ recreational activities/ programs
80205 q/4x	the downtown area	78 Improved downtown
80107 q/4x	we have nice residential areas addiquit schools	98 Other
80155 q/4x	Availability of services	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80159 q/4x	Sports are readily available for the children and grandchildren	7 Activities/ programs for kids
80160 q/4x	We have a lot of services that a lot of other towns don't have.	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80165 q/4x	quality of life is ok (P) that is it	74 Good quality of life
80166 q/4x	would like better policing (p) snow removal sucks, but it sucks everywhere (p) priority with Highway 53E c	41 Proper policing/ law enforcement
80170 q/4x	(speeding) people don't slow down, DO NOT slow down (p) no	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80177 q/4x	That would be the facilities we offer.	
80187 q/4x	I think that we have a lot going for our seniors in Ponoka as well as families c(lot) for seniors we have a drop in center and	26 Good/ enough services/ facilities for the elderly
80178 q/4x	two or three senior residences and family and community support services.	46 Small town/ small town feel
80192 q/4x	The small town atmosphere.	48 Quiet/ peaceful town
80186 q/4x	quietness	46 Small town/ small town feel
80195 q/4x	small town ties, good neighbours, and the Town listens when you phone and talk to them	27 More housing/ affordable housing
80197 q/4x	Affordability c(affordability) Housing, groceris, recreation.	26 Good/ enough services/ facilities for the elderly
80198 q/4x	The fact thst there is a senior centre thst REV that	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80184 q/4x	availability of services	42 No/ less crime
80194 q/4x	low crime	73 Good/ maintained infrastructure
80196 q/4x	infrastructure good liveability compared to other towns like lecombe and Sillivan lake.	26 Good/ enough services/ facilities for the elderly
80200 q/4x	Operation of Seniors Lodges	
80212 q/4x	well you can go walking if you like you can go (P) well we used to curve activity and we dont it anymore but i am going to	63 Accessibility/ walkable (unspecified)
80210 q/4x	the swimming pool after my gardening and they have exercise there at the swimming pool	49 Good community/ neighbourhood
80207 q/4x	its nice that community gets along with everyone	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80218 q/4x	town facilities are decent	43 Responsive emergency services
80219 q/4x	if there any issues by my place I make one call and they get right here I mean the police (P)	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80214 q/4x	We have most of the facilities we need like doctors and hospital and school.	5 Sports facilities/ programs/ associations
80225 q/4x	Sport programs	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
80222 q/4x	Low taxes	40 Safety/ security
80233 q/4x	I feel safe in my part of town	1 Good/ enough/ variety of recreational facilities
80221 q/4x	It's a small town with sufficient facilities to look after the community in terms of recreation.	40 Safety/ security
80240 q/4x	I would imagine it would be our kids, their safety and schools	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
80232 q/4x	Taxes, environment, community/people	
80238 q/4x	jobs, income, houses for people: if htey can pay ther rent, mortgaes, if they can afford housing htey REV they ther REV their	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80244 q/4x	mortgaes REV mortgages	46 Small town/ small town feel
80246 q/4x	It's a small town.	40 Safety/ security
80252 q/4x	safety good services in hand with reasonable cost for those services (P)	26 Good/ enough services/ facilities for the elderly
80260 q/4x	I'm a senior and I think we have good facilities for seniors	47 Friendly community/ people
80249 q/4x	people are friendly	23 Good/ enough doctors/ medical practitioners
80245 q/4x	doctors (p), people in the community, resources.	77 Clean air
80262 q/4x	clean air is good, being safe would be nice, having the street taken care of properly	46 Small town/ small town feel
80251 q/4x	It's a small town, so you have a more relaxed pace of life.	4 Good/ enough parks/ trails/ green spaces
80263 q/4x	the natural paths and the river valley	26 Good/ enough services/ facilities for the elderly
80269 q/4x	There is not much to do for seniors it is quite limited. We just have a drop in center and that is it.	40 Safety/ security
80268 q/4x	safety economy and a good economic base	72 Lower/ more affordable cost of living
80267 q/4x	the cost of Living was lower /business have closed,	26 Good/ enough services/ facilities for the elderly
80266 q/4x	I think senior accomadations should be a priority for a good quality of life	47 Friendly community/ people
80276 q/4x	I guess a friendly community.	60 Other town/ community mentions
80277 q/4x	Postive atmosphere	98 Other
80281 q/4x	size of population	
80280 q/4x	Stampede and rodeo, but flip side is town soud not hang its hat on only that, and unfortunately it does , not sure how to	9 Stampede
80279 q/4x	nwer REV Stampede and Rodeo, but flip side is town should not hang its hat on only that, and unfortunately it does, not	62 Accessibility to other/ major cities (Edmonton, Red Deer, etc)
80290 q/4x	sure how to answer	46 Small town/ small town feel
80293 q/4x	closeness to the larger centres	71 Other leadership/ council mentions
80241 q/4x	the location, close to both cities.	40 Safety/ security
80303 q/4x	small community	54 Size of the town/ not so big, not so small
80307 q/4x	More concern for the citizen of the town	23 Good/ enough doctors/ medical practitioners
80308 q/4x	safety and policing	65 Accessibility around town
80315 q/4x	The size of the community for someone my age - shopping is easy and close by	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80317 q/4x	good doctors, good physicians, the people are friendly enough	66 Scenic setting/ close to nature
80324 q/4x	I can walk to the stores instead of drive	4 Good/ enough parks/ trails/ green spaces
80322 q/4x	the town offers good services	77 Clean air
80318 q/4x	closer to nature beautiful river valley	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80319 q/4x	the trails and parks around here	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80328 q/4x	clean air /clean water	36 Good educational facilities/ system
80329 q/4x	Being more bussiness friendly, encouraging new bussinneses to come to town	51 Sense of community
80328 q/4x	Employment and Health services and Recreation. REV Employment	35 Beautiful/ clean town
80328 q/4x	Schooling	37 Good waste/ garbage management
80328 q/4x	Important to her to have a sence of community	7 Activities/ programs for kids
80328 q/4x	a clean community thats neat and tidy	26 Good/ enough services/ facilities for the elderly
80328 q/4x	The services: the snow removal, the garbage.	
80328 q/4x	All the things they have for the kids, like their playgrounds, swimming pools.	
80328 q/4x	there's extended care and the senior home is connected to the leisure lodge	

	Its location and probably its proximity to other communities that we can go to buy the4 stuff that we need that we cannot buy in Ponoka REV Its location and probably its proximity to other communities that we can go to buy the stuff that we	
80332 q4x	need that we cannot buy in Ponoka	61 Location of the town/ centrally located
80336 q4x	good management	69 Good administration/ management
80338 q4x	Younger families	98 Other
80340 q4x	availability of taxi (p), more sidewalks, (p) no	20 Public transportation
80333 q4x	hospital is easy to get to	24 Access to healthcare
80347 q4x	the availability of employment and a safe community	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80353 q4x	close to larger centers, economical for living, nice atmosphere	62 Accessibility to other/ major cities (Edmonton, Red Deer, etc)
80360 q4x	community atmosphere Community atmosphere	51 Sense of community
80362 q4x	better administration for the town of Ponoka administration REV administration	69 Good administration/ management
80363 q4x	There are a lot of job opportunities in Ponoka.	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80364 q4x	Theft reduction, Taxes,	44 Theft reduction
80365 q4x	another grocery store	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80368 q4x	healthcare recreation facilities keep up with recycling and garbage utilities services	21 Good/ improved health services
80369 q4x	affordability	72 Lower/ more affordable cost of living
80372 q4x	good roads, facilities	19 Good roads/ streets
80375 q4x	The facilities that are here, the people are good, were far away from the big cities	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80371 q4x	Our streets are good. The maintenance men of town are good, they look after out town quite well. In the winter, they take c	19 Good roads/ streets
80377 q4x	not too big. not too small	46 Small town/ small town feel
80381 q4x	Reasonable cost of living	72 Lower/ more affordable cost of living
80384 q4x	quiet town, close to major centers	48 Quiet/ peaceful town
80382 q4x	MY GROCERIES ARE INADEQUATE and more general shopping in	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80383 q4x	Taking care of the kids, good grocery store serves, school sports ref	28 Childcare
80379 q4x	maintaining a good medical centre and healthcare facilities	22 Good hospitals/ medical facilities
80389 q4x	police care	41 Proper policing/ law enforcement
80395 q4x	accessibility to the main corridor of QE2	64 Accessibility to highway
80392 q4x	It is a small town. We do not have to deal with a lot of traffic like in big town.	46 Small town/ small town feel
80398 q4x	Services that are available like shopping.	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80399 q4x	Quality of recreation facilities, and quality of senior housing, facilities and recreation for youth and families.	1 Good/ enough/ variety of recreational facilities
80397 q4x	good neighbours	49 Good community/ neighbourhood
80401 q4x	Location.(c) It is a small town but close to cities.	61 Location of the town/ centrally located
80403 q4x	easy access to bigger places (c) medical, shopping, it's nice to be not too far away from bigger cities to shop in	62 Accessibility to other/ major cities (Edmonton, Red Deer, etc)
80408 q4x	the people and the volunteers	55 The people/ residents (unspecified)
80411 q4x	Maintain law and order	41 Proper policing/ law enforcement
80415 q4x	being a rural city	57 Rural/ farming community
80419 q4x	Small enough to be quaint. The people. Makes a real community.	46 Small town/ small town feel
80418 q4x	Protection.	40 Safety/ security
80424 q4x	low tax rate	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
80422 q4x	amenities, your facilities and ability to do stuff in the town instead of go out of town	16 More/ good/ accessible amenities
80425 q4x	infrastructure, the resources, and the security	73 Good/ maintained infrastructure
80431 q4x	peacefulness of the town	48 Quiet/ peaceful town
80430 q4x	Economic development	13 Improved economy/ economic growth/ development
80433 q4x	jobs, recreation, town amnagement	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80434 q4x	they keep the town nice Rep they keep the town nice	35 Beautiful/ clean town
80432 q4x	community programming	11 Community activities
80437 q4x	Ability to have work in Ponoka	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80436 q4x	The people in the town are fairly friendly.	47 Friendly community/ people
80442 q4x	education is good	36 Good educational facilities/ system
80449 q4x	nothing	97 None/ no reason
80453 q4x	the walking trails	4 Good/ enough parks/ trails/ green spaces
80450 q4x	Not too crowded	58 No congestion/ not overly populated
80464 q4x	That you're not afraid to go for a walk.	40 Safety/ security
80472 q4x	safety, c in general REV Safety, (c) just in general.	40 Safety/ security
80475 q4x	the trails	4 Good/ enough parks/ trails/ green spaces
80473 q4x	Feel secure	40 Safety/ security
80480 q4x	We have good programs available for families.	8 Activities/ programs for families
80469 q4x	i like small cities and we are in proximity to larger centers ,and a smaller town offers a better quality of life	46 Small town/ small town feel
80485 q4x	Taxes are very important.	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
80488 q4x	Small town	46 Small town/ small town feel
80490 q4x	its a good size of town REV It's a good size of town.	54 Size of the town/ not so big, not so small
80492 q4x	EASY NAVIGATION	65 Accessibility around town
80493 q4x	its worse than what it used to be, access to health care, crime is higher	24 Access to healthcare
80504 q4x	Just that it has everything we need in a small town.	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80503 q4x	Low crime rate	42 No/ less crime
80505 q4x	quiet town	48 Quiet/ peaceful town
80501 q4x	Job	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80507 q4x	It's a safe community.	40 Safety/ security
80513 q4x	The location of Ponoka, period. It's close to everything.	61 Location of the town/ centrally located
80514 q4x	Sense of community. It's huge	51 Sense of community
80511 q4x	I think the flowers, the tree maintenance and the replanting of trees is important.	35 Beautiful/ clean town
80515 q4x	It's peaceful here in our area.	48 Quiet/ peaceful town
80517 q4x	Affordable grocery stores.	72 Lower/ more affordable cost of living
80520 q4x	I like the options for families, such as the recreational facilities.	1 Good/ enough/ variety of recreational facilities
80519 q4x	Tax rates	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
80521 q4x	Schools	36 Good educational facilities/ system
80522 q4x	helping low income people live a better life	30 Other social services mentions
80525 q4x	We need more businesses that you can shop at because we have to go to Red Deer a lot of the time for stuff.	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80534 q4x	Small town, not that busy.	46 Small town/ small town feel
80535 q4x	the seniors facilities. REV The seniors' facilities.	26 Good/ enough services/ facilities for the elderly
80538 q4x	It's central.	61 Location of the town/ centrally located
80542 q4x	If there were more jobs in Ponoka it would be good.	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80543 q4x	Small town	46 Small town/ small town feel
80544 q4x	There's not much for people of all ages to participate in, like hobbies.	10 Activities/ programs for everyone
80546 q4x	I do enjoy the fact that the business park is easily accessible and doing well.	65 Accessibility around town
80547 q4x	The ability of people to participate and grow in the community.	56 Civic responsibility/ involvement
80548 q4x	Community get-togethers	11 Community activities
80549 q4x	shopping, recreation	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80550 q4x	Convenience for the elderly	26 Good/ enough services/ facilities for the elderly
80554 q4x	Accessible recreation facilities, Child care spaces, deal with the homelessness problem REV	3 Access to recreational facilities
80559 q4x	Facilities	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80560 q4x	Small town	46 Small town/ small town feel
80561 q4x	Good doctors	23 Good/ enough doctors/ medical practitioners
80563 q4x	Recreation	2 Good/ variety of recreation/ recreational activities/ programs
80565 q4x	need more business and recreational facilities to keep people here	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80569 q4x	Centennial Center, which provides employment for 100s of people	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80571 q4x	the services we get (garbage, composting)	37 Good waste/ garbage management
80573 q4x	amenities, roads, friendly people	16 More/ good/ accessible amenities
80575 q4x	Keeping people here with jobs.	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities

80574 q14x	It's quiet	48 Quiet/ peaceful town
80577 q14x	The schools are good.	36 Good educational facilities/ system
80580 q14x	closeness to larger cities	62 Accessibility to other/ major cities (Edmonton, Red Deer, etc)
80579 q14x	Having a livable environment and good infrastructure like leisure activities.	98 Other
80584 q14x	The smaller size.	46 Small town/ small town feel
80586 q14x	friendliness of the citizens	47 Friendly community/ people
80239 q14x	The friendliness of the people who are here.	47 Friendly community/ people
80591 q14x	The people	55 The people/ residents (unspecified)
80592 q14x	the size of the town is exactly the right size, not too big that it's not busy and not too small that there are no services	54 Size of the town/ not so big, not so small
80594 q14x	Small Town Atmosphere	46 Small town/ small town feel
80595 q14x	the amenities that are available to everyone	16 More/ good/ accessible amenities
80600 q14x	Cost of Living	72 Lower/ more affordable cost of living
80599 q14x	They have no idea what downtown should be. They've screwed it up big time.	78 Improved downtown
80005 q14y	more jobs - we need more businesses in the town	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80006 q14y	They got a good recreation facilities in town	1 Good/ enough/ variety of recreational facilities
80008 q14y	lack of congestion	58 No congestion/ not overly populated
80022 q14y	There's no quality life in Town of Ponoka and my taxes are going up considerably. I'm moving if I can that's because I have crooked Mayor and CAO running our town.	74 Good quality of life
80024 q14y	hospitals - sufficient number doctors and beds	22 Good hospitals/ medical facilities
80025 q14y	I like that it's varied age demographic, young and old people.	50 Diversity
80026 q14y	We could probably use more shopping for cloths and shoes.	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80028 q14y	if we have full time jobs so we dont have to travel full REV full, dont REV don't	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80034 q14y	if the taxes werent so high, we get more citizens here werent REV weren't	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
80040 q14y	I would say that there should be addressed the drug problems in Ponoka.	45 Other safety/ crime mentions
80047 q14y	I think, in general, it has a small-town feel that people know each other. (p) I think the citizens of Ponoka value that.	46 Small town/ small town feel
80046 q14y	Just Ponoka is situated in a very scenic setting. It is important to keep things looking nice, including downtown buildings. environmental facors is nymber one more ecologically green town and set solar powered schools and quality for everybody	66 Scenic setting/ close to nature
80048 q14y	everybody	98 Other
80067 q14y	Pay more attention to your small businesses.	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80075 q14y	education facilities	36 Good educational facilities/ system
80084 q14y	keeping it safe and low crime	40 Safety/ security
80088 q14y	Employment	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80096 q14y	support for seniors in the town	26 Good/ enough services/ facilities for the elderly
80101 q14y	that wraps up all	99 Don't know/ na
80106 q14y	I like the arena.	5 Sports facilities/ programs/ associations
80109 q14y	Maintained infrastructure	73 Good/ maintained infrastructure
80110 q14y	We have a good pharmacies available and we have services for your vehicles to get looked after and we have different agencies to get new vehicles and we have access to quite a few hardware stores and companies which helps people to take care of their homes REV We have good pharmacies available and we have services or your vehicles to get looked afer and we have different agencies to get new vehicles and we have access to quite a few hardware stores and companies which helps people to take care of their homes	22 Good hospitals/ medical facilities
80111 q14y	Health care is good here.	21 Good/ improved health services
80112 q14y	the golf course	5 Sports facilities/ programs/ associations
80116 q14y	when something break down like sewers and potholes.they should fix it.They need to do it.I like for new companies to come like a factory so they can help ponoka	43 Responsive emergency services
80119 q14y	They do have activities for seniors and thas a good thing	26 Good/ enough services/ facilities for the elderly
80124 q14y	good services	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80126 q14y	Good doctors and eveeything who make things better	21 Good/ improved health services
80128 q14y	accessibility	63 Accessibility/ walkable (unspecified)
80127 q14y	Use more facilities for seniors.	26 Good/ enough services/ facilities for the elderly
80130 q14y	quiteness its quiet	48 Quiet/ peaceful town
80129 q14y	Our leadership c(leadership) I think we have to keep our town in mind	68 Good/ responsive leadership/ government/ town council
80131 q14y	really good health care and health services	21 Good/ improved health services
80147 q14y	all the services available	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80149 q14y	quiet town, we really do have everything we need here, you don't have to go to bigger cities	48 Quiet/ peaceful town
80281 q14y	friendly	47 Friendly community/ people
80354 q14y	more jobs	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80205 q14y	shopping	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80324 q14y	Hospitals	22 Good hospitals/ medical facilities
80279 q14y	recreation	2 Good/ variety of recreation/ recreational activities/ programs
80336 q14y	good location	61 Location of the town/ centrally located
80308 q14y	the library	17 Improved/ enough activities in the library
80155 q14y	The governance	68 Good/ responsive leadership/ government/ town council
80159 q14y	Crime is lower than the city	42 No/ less crime
80160 q14y	We have a lot of doctors that a lot of other towns don't have.	23 Good/ enough doctors/ medical practitioners
80166 q14y	they do a pretty good job at clearing paths and sidewalks	35 Beautiful/ clean town
80170 q14y	The walking paths	4 Good/ enough parks/ trails/ green spaces
80177 q14y	We have most of the essential services c(essential) we have a decent hospital, two larger grocery stores, three or four pharmacies. For our aging population we need good medical services and the hospital up the road provides employment for people.	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80187 q14y	The proximity to larger centers.	62 Accessibility to other/ major cities (Edmonton, Red Deer, etc)
80178 q14y	security bec i leve near cops , good people REV security	40 Safety/ security
80192 q14y	pretty foogd recreation facilities, good schools foogd REV good	1 Good/ enough/ variety of recreational facilities
80186 q14y	Recreation c(recreation) Affordable family sport	2 Good/ variety of recreation/ recreational activities/ programs
80195 q14y	the pool	6 Pool/ water parks
80197 q14y	Reasonable cost of living and taxes	72 Lower/ more affordable cost of living
80198 q14y	local services, accessible services, library, swimming pool,	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80184 q14y	we need poplulation growth	98 Other
80196 q14y	well i feel like i am really i go to my back alley i go to medical center i can go to the iga store food store or drug store its not too busy its a small town,we dont haveall the services as a big city but we have most services usually for most of teh stuff i need i dont need to drive to red deer most of the stuf i need i can here in ponoka its a good trade off to live in a small community teh REV the;stuf REV stuff; i can here REV i can find here	63 Accessibility/ walkable (unspecified)
80200 q14y	its walkable REV it's walkable	52 Not busy
80207 q14y	Just general caring concerns everyone have for one another.	63 Accessibility/ walkable (unspecified)
80218 q14y	The quality of doctors	51 Sense of community
80213 q14y	Amenities (c) Just most things that I would need I don't have to make a long trip to get.	23 Good/ enough doctors/ medical practitioners
80219 q14y	Low crime	16 More/ good/ accessible amenities
80214 q14y	facility to get around in Ponoka (c)\good streets ,good snow removal (f) I would like to see them replace trees when they remove the old trees	42 No/ less crime
80225 q14y	A lack of congestion and traffic.	65 Accessibility around town
80222 q14y	encourage more business to come here	58 No congestion/ not overly populated
80221 q14y	apart from Stampede events and more cowboy-ish events, not much for anyone else; clothing, shopping, grocery shopping, need to go out of town, even some of the restaurants aren't that good, people going into Lacombe to have a good meal,	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80237 q14y	need to go somewhere else to buy clothes	2 Good/ variety of recreation/ recreational activities/ programs
80237 q14y	Good quality education for the kids	36 Good educational facilities/ system



80240 q14y	We have great facilities.	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80232 q14y	better ammeneties and bring in more buisnesses and shopping we have to go to red deer	16 More/ good/ accessible amenities
80244 q14y	not too much crime	42 No/ less crime
80258 q14y	School System, things are running very smoothly for children	36 Good educational facilities/ system
80249 q14y	People are friendly	47 Friendly community/ people
80245 q14y	I have a nice place to live and not much worries to complaint about a thing.	49 Good community/ neighbourhood
80251 q14y	no lack of facilities	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80263 q14y	I do believe we have to always support our protective services	30 Other social services mentions
80268 q14y	civic pride	56 Civic responsibility/ involvement
80267 q14y	Stampede brings a lot to our town. As loud and crazy as it is the benefits outway the drawbacks. Centennial Centre, been in town since 1911, in my opinion, it's kept the town alive for a lot of years, wages there by and large are pretty good- as a result, brings finances into town and employes 1,000 people	9 Stampede
80266 q14y	medical care is good	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80276 q14y	the facilities available	21 Good/ improved health services
80277 q14y	an improvment in the hospital standart	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80280 q14y	It was a friendly community, the services show kindness and care	22 Good hospitals/ medical facilities
80290 q14y	The business people are very nice people. They are easy to communicate with and most people are very happy.	47 Friendly community/ people
80307 q14y	quite quiet	18 Other amenities mentions
80312 q14y	streets, infrastucture	48 Quiet/ peaceful town
80301 q14y	lack of human capital in the role of the mayor	19 Good roads/ streets
80315 q14y	Wise use of recreational money, consolidation of facilities.	68 Good/ responsive leadership/ government/ town council
80317 q14y	Crime rates.(c) There was more crimes in the last 3 years. REV Health services.	32 Town spending/ budget
80318 q14y	the hospital and having the medical facilities we have the enviroment so its clean	42 No/ less crime
80319 q14y	The lack of enforcement of a speed limit in front of my house, I've been trying to get that enforced between 7 and 9 years.	22 Good hospitals/ medical facilities
80329 q14y	Our medical, good doctors, good hospital	41 Proper policing/ law enforcement
80328 q14y	more public transportation	21 Good/ improved health services
80332 q14y	Good medical system	20 Public transportation
80338 q14y	Pride in the living	21 Good/ improved health services
80337 q14y	Having the appropriate facilities such as grocery or recreational.	60 Other town/ community mentions
80333 q14y	small and friendly we know people	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80360 q14y	Belief in the opportunities that we can sustain programs	46 Small town/ small town feel
80362 q14y	More eonomical economical REV economical	98 Other
80363 q14y	And the mental health centre contributes to life here too.	13 Improved economy/ economic growth/ development
80364 q14y	Healthcare and Medical services are good.	22 Good hospitals/ medical facilities
80365 q14y	More housing for seniors	21 Good/ improved health services
80369 q14y	proximity to services	26 Good/ enough services/ facilities for the elderly
80377 q14y	close to red deer	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80381 q14y	Good shopping opportunities	62 Accessibility to other/ major cities (Edmonton, Red Deer, etc)
80382 q14y	not to sure about	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80379 q14y	education	99 Don't know/ na
80389 q14y	hability to get from point a to point b	36 Good educational facilities/ system
80395 q14y	people are friendly	63 Accessibility/ walkable (unspecified)
80392 q14y	There is alot of recreational facilities for those who use them like the younger people.	47 Friendly community/ people
80398 q14y	The condition of streets & sidewalks.	1 Good/ enough/ variety of recreational facilities
80397 q14y	reasonably priced housing	19 Good roads/ streets
80401 q14y	Good physiotherapy and good medical practice.	27 More housing/ affordable housing
	Availability of everything you need in order to live. Your doctors, dentists, grocery stores, pretty much everything you need.	23 Good/ enough doctors/ medical practitioners
80403 q14y	Local stores. Hardware.	75 Availability of everything that you need
80411 q14y	Keeping things clean throughout town,lots of places dirty,like back alleys	35 Beautiful/ clean town
80415 q14y	roads are pretty good	19 Good roads/ streets
80419 q14y	Location, compared to highways and the cities.	64 Accessibility to highway
80418 q14y	Health.	21 Good/ improved health services
80424 q14y	friendly community spirit	47 Friendly community/ people
80431 q14y	close to amenities	16 More/ good/ accessible amenities
80432 q14y	our park sstem and bikeways	4 Good/ enough parks/ trails/ green spaces
80437 q14y	Social activities	2 Good/ variety of recreation/ recreational activities/ programs
80436 q14y	Community events that we have, I know they've tried to put on several events but some of them got rained out.	2 Good/ variety of recreation/ recreational activities/ programs
80450 q14y	Prices are cheaper	72 Lower/ more affordable cost of living
80464 q14y	They need more retail stores, I shop out of town for a lot of stuff that's not available here.	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80472 q14y	Community involvement. (c)	51 Sense of community
80475 q14y	the waterway, nothing is being done	98 Other
80473 q14y	having respsible government	68 Good/ responsive leadership/ government/ town council
80480 q14y	We have a complex swimming pool-type thing and the ice rink arena.	6 Pool/ water parks
80469 q14y	: Taxes are cheaper than in the city and it is convenient to live in a small town .	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
80485 q14y	Town spending, I think we're doing far too many surveys and none of us know how much it's costing us.	32 Town spending/ budget
80488 q14y	Good roads	19 Good roads/ streets
80490 q14y	it has good recreation	2 Good/ variety of recreation/ recreational activities/ programs
80493 q14y	ttaxes going up ans services going down	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
80504 q14y	It's not busy.	52 Not busy
80503 q14y	fairly low tax base	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
80505 q14y	have everything we need	75 Availability of everything that you need
80501 q14y	Feel safe	40 Safety/ security
80507 q14y	It's a friendly community.	47 Friendly community/ people
80514 q14y	I come from the city, so I like that there's not a lot of traffic.	59 No traffic
80515 q14y	There isn't too much congestion.	58 No congestion/ not overly populated
80517 q14y	Having activities for kids.	7 Activities/ programs for kids
80520 q14y	I really like the outdoor spaces.	4 Good/ enough parks/ trails/ green spaces
80521 q14y	The amount of entertainment for our young people.	12 Other parks/ recreation mentions
80535 q14y	Access to grocery stores and stuff.	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80542 q14y	If they had a place we could actually shop to buy kids clothes, and affordable clothes for anybody.	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80543 q14y	Friendly	47 Friendly community/ people
80546 q14y	They do have a phenomenal soccer association.	5 Sports facilities/ programs/ associations
80547 q14y	the growth of the community itself	60 Other town/ community mentions
80548 q14y	Ways to keep the taxes low, so they don't have to be raised all the time, keeping the quality of living at a manageable pace	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
80550 q14y	Town facilities are clean and well-maintained	29 Well-maintained facilities
80559 q14y	Infrastructure	73 Good/ maintained infrastructure
80560 q14y	Access to Red Deer	62 Accessibility to other/ major cities (Edmonton, Red Deer, etc)
80563 q14y	Shopping	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80575 q14y	More affordable housing.	27 More housing/ affordable housing
80574 q14y	It's relatively safe	40 Safety/ security
80577 q14y	The economy is stable & beginning to grow.	13 Improved economy/ economic growth/ development
80580 q14y	good amenities	16 More/ good/ accessible amenities
	Continuing to strive for a more senior friendly option in the town. (C) That means looking at the infrastructure in the town and making it accessible and open to people with concerns like having poor vision and poor hearing. It is an attitude and looking at the infrastructure. I think they took some training a few years back and perhaps the chamber of commerce did as well.	26 Good/ enough services/ facilities for the elderly
80579 q14y	easy access to amenities in the cities.	62 Accessibility to other/ major cities (Edmonton, Red Deer, etc)
80584 q14y		

80586 q14y	ease of getting around town	65 Accessibility around town
80239 q14y	I think that pretty well all the services are here.	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80591 q14y	The schools	36 Good educational facilities/ system
80592 q14y	I have a sense that the education possibilities relative to the amount of schools is good	36 Good educational facilities/ system
80594 q14y	Good Amenities	16 More/ good/ accessible amenities
80595 q14y	the quality of the business to further locate	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80600 q14y	Job Opportunities	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80008 q14z	friendly	47 Friendly community/ people
80022 q14z	We seemed to have high rate - high amount of street people and crime	45 Other safety/ crime mentions
80024 q14z	education system	36 Good educational facilities/ system
80025 q14z	I like that it's rural community focus on agriculture.	57 Rural/ farming community
80028 q14z	If we would accomplished parks and facilities for the people	4 Good/ enough parks/ trails/ green spaces
80047 q14z	It's clean, well kept.	35 Beautiful/ clean town
80075 q14z	roads streets and avenues REV Roads, streets and avenues.	19 Good roads/ streets
80088 q14z	safety	40 Safety/ security
80106 q14z	I like the swimming pool and grocery stores to do all my shopping.	6 Pool/ water parks
80109 q14z	Low taxes	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
	Well I think we have good communities within the churches the churches are quite well attended I don't go to all churches but I do go to one and that seems like there is quite a few christian places people are going to and more people would be welcomed that would like to go and worship	
80110 q14z	Close and accessible.	76 Good/ a lot of church/ religious groups
80111 q14z	lot of teenagers are not working.	63 Accessibility/ walkable (unspecified)
80116 q14z	good recreation programs	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80124 q14z	We are looked after fairly well the town works	2 Good/ variety of recreation/ recreational activities/ programs
80126 q14z	open local government	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80128 q14z	Well cared for town, like roads.	70 Communication/ transparency
80127 q14z	trail system	29 Well-maintained facilities
80131 q14z	the people here are nice (c nice) neighbors, willing to help out, looking out for each other to help, warch REV to help, warch REV each	4 Good/ enough parks/ trails/ green spaces
80147 q14z	good employment (C good) they have lots of opportunities for employment	47 Friendly community/ people
80149 q14z	affordable housing	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80279 q14z	policing	27 More housing/ affordable housing
80198 q14z	Education system	41 Proper policing/ law enforcement
80218 q14z	The seniors programs	36 Good educational facilities/ system
80155 q14z	The interest groups	26 Good/ enough services/ facilities for the elderly
80170 q14z	good people	98 Other
80178 q14z	good medical, I live close to the hospital of REV to hospital REV hospital	49 Good community/ neighbourhood
80192 q14z	and the church Trinity Lutheran Church Lutheran REV Lutheran	21 Good/ improved health services
80195 q14z	we need new business	76 Good/ a lot of church/ religious groups
80184 q14z		15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80196 q14z	well it depends on what you are looking for we have a church in Ponoka as well which gives me a lot of confidence	76 Good/ a lot of church/ religious groups
80205 q14z	Excellent recreation facilities	1 Good/ enough/ variety of recreational facilities
80212 q14z	WE moved here 4 years ago because it offered everything that we were looking for and it still offers everything.	75 Availability of everything that you need
80213 q14z	I have a good neighborhood (c good) It's quiet and peaceful, I come from the farm, I need my peace, I've got it here.	49 Good community/ neighbourhood
80219 q14z	Quality of life for families and seniors.	74 Good quality of life
80214 q14z	the size of the Town is a benefit and there is less of crime.	54 Size of the town/ not so big, not so small
80225 q14z	Because it's a small town you know a great many people.	46 Small town/ small town feel
80222 q14z	Not enough downtown stuff going on, a lot of our businesses are second hand type businesses	14 Good/ enough employment opportunities
80244 q14z	lots to do (C) library, swimming, skating	2 Good/ variety of recreation/ recreational activities/ programs
80258 q14z	Available resources such as the amazing public library, lots of incredible things to do that don't cost families a dime	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80249 q14z	I like the swimming pool and play grounds for our grandchildren.	6 Pool/ water parks
80251 q14z	we are close to other facilities which are not distant and although we are small this proves to be an asset(c) IT IS THUS easier to get to know people and I feel safe here	62 Accessibility to other/ major cities (Edmonton, Red Deer, etc)
80263 q14z	FCSS are extremely important, I think a board and a group of people we should really recognize is Victim Services	30 Other social services mentions
80268 q14z	civic responsibility	56 Civic responsibility/ involvement
80267 q14z	Inclusion in schools and coaching. Education is great. (C inclusion) Within public schools there is an inclusion coach so that a kid has the opportunity if they need an assessment or a referral or support	36 Good educational facilities/ system
80276 q14z	home-care (c) is Good (c) frequent attention (such as to my sister-in-law who received 4 visits in one day	21 Good/ improved health services
80281 q14z	we have most of the things we need here as for as stores	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80290 q14z	The county strives to make improvements, which they have with roads and parkways	19 Good roads/ streets
80241 q14z	The quality is what we make it	74 Good quality of life
80307 q14z	moderately crime free	42 No/ less crime
80312 q14z	If you have a problem they look after it as soon as possible	43 Responsive emergency services
80308 q14z	some really nice stores and people serving there are very thoughtful and kind	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80301 q14z	the strength and diversity of people and the strength of adding voices in the table (the inclusion of more than one voice is benefit.	
80324 q14z	Trails	55 The people/ residents (unspecified)
80318 q14z	we have decent roads here	4 Good/ enough parks/ trails/ green spaces
80319 q14z	The facilities, (c) the arena is definitely outdated, it was a poor facility bought on the cheap.	19 Good roads/ streets
80332 q14z	Good emergency services like police, fire and ambulance fire REV fire	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80338 q14z	neighbors help neighbors	43 Responsive emergency services
80337 q14z	Access to larger centers like Edmonton or Red Deer	51 Sense of community
80333 q14z	we can have someone help us in our home if we need it for our health	62 Accessibility to other/ major cities (Edmonton, Red Deer, etc)
80354 q14z	better policing	21 Good/ improved health services
80362 q14z	They should do something for the downtown, rather than just giving it lip service and surveys	41 Proper policing/ law enforcement
80369 q14z	recreation opportunities	78 Improved downtown
80377 q14z	its a peaceful community	2 Good/ variety of recreation/ recreational activities/ programs
80382 q14z	We are close to other amenities in other cities that are not too far away	48 Quiet/ peaceful town
80379 q14z	recreation	62 Accessibility to other/ major cities (Edmonton, Red Deer, etc)
80395 q14z	the quality of services the town employees provide	2 Good/ variety of recreation/ recreational activities/ programs
80392 q14z	The administration and the town council is very responsive.	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80397 q14z	being close to employment	68 Good/ responsive leadership/ government/ town council
80403 q14z	Not as high-paced as in a larger place.	67 Other location mentions
80411 q14z	Allow for new businesses to come in	52 Not busy
80415 q14z	two large food stores	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80424 q14z	low crime rate	15 More/ good businesses/ shopping activities
80431 q14z	playgrounds for the kids	42 No/ less crime
80472 q14z	Accessibility to the highway and larger centers.	7 Activities/ programs for kids
80473 q14z	The cost of living	64 Accessibility to highway
80480 q14z	The general services are good, like family doctors.	72 Lower/ more affordable cost of living
80490 q14z	its centrally located REV It's centrally located.	25 Good/ enough/ access to services/ facilities (unspecified)
80493 q14z	taxes going up services going down	61 Location of the town/ centrally located
80504 q14z	It has nice walking trails.	31 Lower taxes/ property taxes
80501 q14z	Basic amenities REV Basic stuff for a life	4 Good/ enough parks/ trails/ green spaces
80514 q14z	The cost of groceries and supplies.	16 More/ good/ accessible amenities
		72 Lower/ more affordable cost of living

