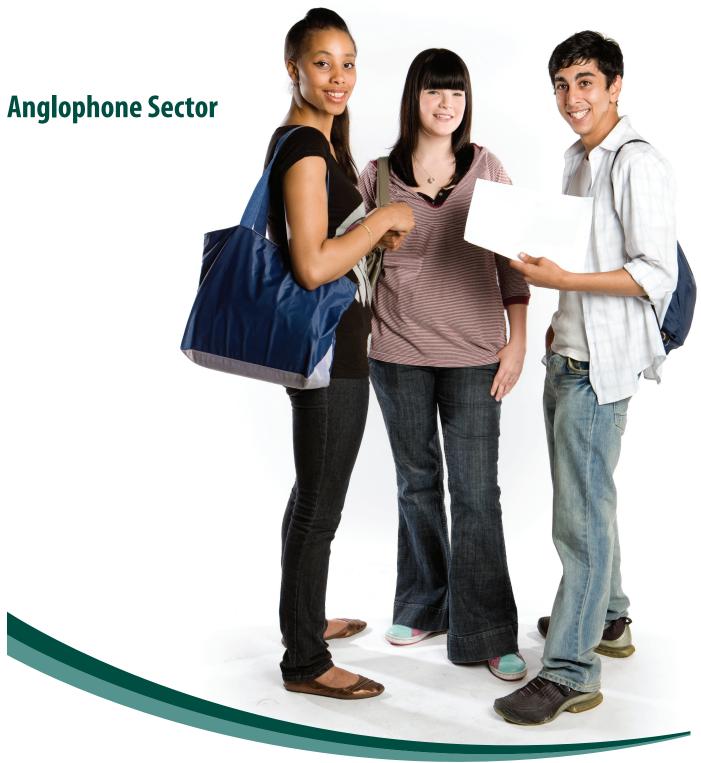
2015 Grade 12 Exit Survey





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<u>Methodology</u>

In May 2015, the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development sent all high schools in the province the link to an online version of the 2015 Grade 12 Exit Survey. The survey provides graduates the opportunity to share their opinion on various issues such as enrichment opportunities at school, access to new technologies and the school environment. The survey also provides the Department with data on students' plans after high school and their perception of how well their school prepared them for the future.

It should be noted that the objective of this survey is to gather information about students' school experience and is not an evaluation of schools and districts. The survey is part of the Department's ongoing effort to be transparent and accountable, and the data gathered helps inform decision-making.

Sample Design and Selection

The Exit Survey was developed in consultation with various sectors of the Department and district superintendents in 2006. To ensure continuity in reporting, the majority of questions were used in subsequent surveys, and with a few questions being added or revised each year.

A list containing the names of randomly selected Grade 12 students, representing 45% of the school's graduating population, was submitted to each high school in the province. The rate of return varied from one school to another, but a total of 1,849 students were surveyed, which represents 30% of the entire Grade 12 student population in the anglophone sector as of March 2015.

Note: The same sampling rules also applied to the francophone sector.

Data Analysis

The survey is made up of different questions organized into nine themes (Appendix A). Students were instructed to answer the questions, unless otherwise indicated, as an overview of their high school experience. Only one answer was accepted for each question. Students who did not answer or who answered a question incorrectly are not included in the total sum (n=). Consequently, a specific number 'n' is associated with each question. For some of the questions, an N/A option was available for students to whom the question did not apply (e.g. satisfaction with one or more of the online courses in which the student was enrolled). To get a more representative overview of the results, the "N/A" answers are not included in the analysis.

Since the survey was administered to a sample of students, the results obtained may not be representative of the opinion of all students. Consequently, the term "respondent" is used in this document to refer to the students surveyed.

Detailed Results

Section A – Demographic Information

Student Profile

Table 1 shows the demographic profile of students who participated in the Exit Survey.

- The number of female respondents was slightly higher at 53%, while male respondents accounted for 46%.
- English was the language most spoken at home. Ninety-two percent of respondents spoke English at home and 2.9% spoke both French and English at home.
- The vast majority (95%) of respondents were 17 or 18 years old.
- Seven percent of respondents selfidentified as Aboriginal, including 4.2% living in a First Nation community, and 3.2% not living in a First Nation community.
- Eight percent of respondents said they belonged to a visible minority.
- The vast majority (92%) of the respondents were Canadian citizens born in or outside Canada.
- Just over 61% of respondents lived with both parents. Twenty-one percent of respondents lived with their mother, but only 4.9% of respondents lived with their father. Less than six percent shared time between their mother and father.
- Less than 8% of respondents said they are a person with a disability, while 7.6% said they follow a special education plan.
- Sixty-nine percent of respondents indicated their mother/guardian had completed post-secondary education, and 58% indicated the same for their father/guardian.

Table 1 – Student Profile	
Gender (n ¹ =1849)	
Male	46.3%
Female	52.5%
Gender independent	1.2%
Language spoken at home (n=1849)	
English	91.8%
French	0.4%
Equally, both French and English	2.9%
Other Language(s)	5.0%
Age (n=1849)	
16 or under	0.1%
17	47.1%
18	47.6%
19	4.2%
20	0.5%
21 or over	0.5%
Member of a visible minority or an Aborigina	ıl
person (n=1848)	
An Aboriginal person living in a First Nation	4.2%
community	0.00/
An Aboriginal person not living in a First	3.2%
Nation community A visible minority (other than Aboriginal)	8.0%
Citizenship (n=1849)	0.076
A landed immigrant in Canada	5.0%
A non-permanent resident of Canada	5.0% 0.8%
A Canadian citizen born in or outside	0.076
Canada	91.6%
Other	2.7%
Living with (n=1849)	2.770
Both parents	61.4%
Mother only	20.7%
Father only	4.9%
Time shared between mother and father	5.7%
Guardian(s)	4.0%
Other	3.2%
A person with a disability (n=1848)	
Yes	7.6%
Following a special education plan (n=1848)	
Yes	7.6%
Parent/guardian post-secondary education	
Mother/guardian	68.6%
Father/guardian	58.4%

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¹ (n=): number of respondents

Section B - Academic Background

Most Recent Marks

Although the academic data varied depending on the subject, the overall proportion of students in each category is similar. Most respondents reported receiving marks in the 80% to 89% range or 90% or more range in most subjects.

Physical education (87%), Cooperative education (85%) and Skilled trades (81%) are the three subjects in which marks were the highest (80% or higher). Conversely, Chemistry (5.6%), Physics (4.6%), and Computer Science (3.9%) are the subjects with the highest failure rates (less than 60%). It should be noted that these marks were self-reported and may not represent the actual results achieved.

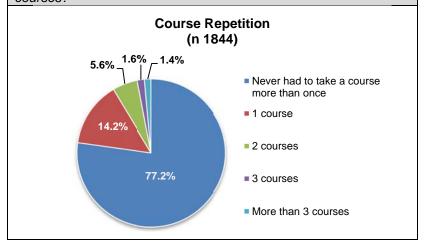
Table 2 – Most Recent Marks What were your most recent marks in the following subject areas?								
	90% or more	80%-89%	70%-79%	60%-69%	Less than 60%	n		
Biology	28.4%	32.1%	23.5%	13.1%	2.9%	1402		
Chemistry	25.3%	30.9%	23.6%	14.6%	5.6%	1215		
Computer science	40.1%	29.9%	17.8%	8.4%	3.9%	569		
Cooperative education	58.4%	26.6%	9.6%	3.7%	1.6%	563		
English	25.8%	38.5%	25.1%	9.7%	0.9%	1795		
Environmental science	28.1%	32.5%	21.4%	15.4%	2.6%	501		
French Language Arts	35.8%	34.3%	19.9%	9.1%	1.0%	1113		
History	0.0%	46.7%	26.7%	26.7%	0.0%	15		
Law	31.9%	31.1%	19.4%	13.8%	3.8%	608		
Mathematics	25.9%	30.5%	25.3%	15.4%	2.9%	1709		
Music	48.2%	28.5%	13.5%	6.8%	3.0%	1812		
Physical Education	63.8%	23.2%	8.0%	3.5%	1.6%	1207		
Physics	32.3%	28.9%	21.6%	12.7%	4.6%	900		
Skilled trades	49.3%	31.5%	14.3%	3.3%	1.6%	428		
Visual arts	53.8%	26.2%	11.9%	5.8%	2.4%	978		

Course Repetition

Three out of four respondents never had to take a course more than once to receive a passing mark during high school. Fourteen percent had to retake one course, and 5.6%, two courses. Only 3.0% of respondents had to retake three or more courses to receive a passing mark.

Figure 1 – Course Repetition

Were you required to take any high school courses more than once in order to receive a passing mark; if yes, how many courses?



Section C - School Environment

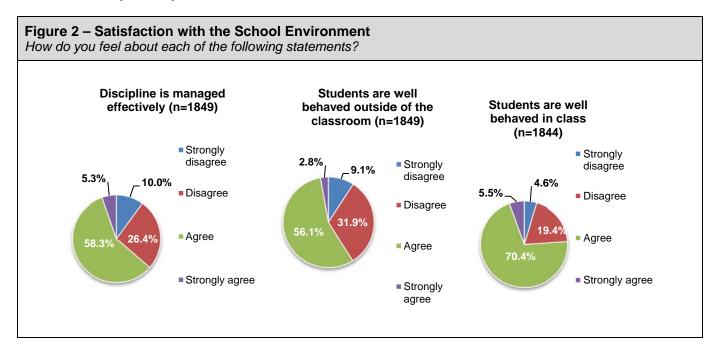
Satisfaction with the School Environment

Results show that respondents seemed satisfied with the school environment. Sixty-four percent of respondents believed that discipline was managed effectively at school. Seventy-six percent of students were well behaved in class but only 59% said students were well behaved outside of the classroom. In all, 59% of respondents did not believe that learning was interrupted by discipline problems.

Eighty-eight percent of respondents agreed or strongly agreed that they felt safe at their school and 76% agreed or strongly agreed that it was a place where they felt respected. Forty-three percent disagreed, including 11% who strongly disagreed, with the statement that their school was a place where they never felt like an outsider. Eighty percent indicated that if they had a problem, there was an adult they could talk to at school.

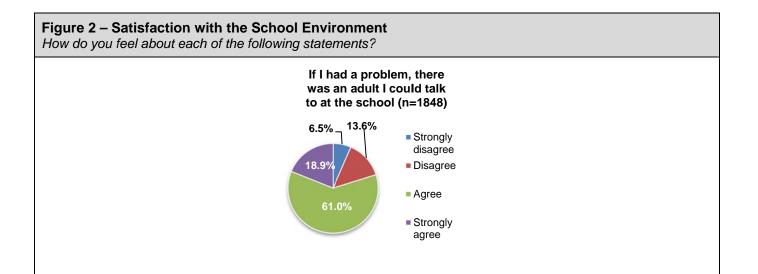
Seventy-five percent of respondents enjoyed their school experience, and 64% considered their school experience academically challenging. Seventy-seven percent said the variety of courses available met their needs.

Sixty-two percent of respondents indicated that their school encouraged them to contribute to the environment's sustainability. Eighty-one percent of respondents felt their school was environmentally friendly.



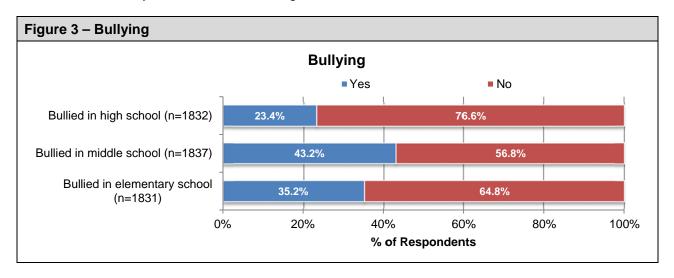
How do you feel about each of the following statements? Learning is interrupted by discipline problems (n=1849) Felt respected at school I feel safe at my school (n=1849) (n=1849) Strongly disagree 3.5% Strongly 6.9% 6.5% 8.6% 8.6% Strongly disagree disagree Disagree Disagree Disagree 22.1% 49.9% Agree Agree 65.8% Agree Strongly Strongly Strongly agree agree agree My school is a place where I enjoyed my school I never felt like an outsider My school experience experience (n=1848) (n=1844) was academically challenging (n=1848) 9.9% Strongly Strongly 9.1% disagree disagree 10.0% 5.6% Strongly Disagree Disagree disagree Disagree 31.6% 30.0 Agree Agree Agree 54.4% Strongly Strongly agree agree Strongly agree The variety of courses My school encourages available met my needs me to contribute to the My school is (n=1848) environment's environmentally friendly sustainability (n=1848) 13.4 (n=1848) 6.9% Strongly 8.2% 4.8% Strongly Strongly disagree disagree disagree Disagree Disagree Disagree Agree Agree Agree 68.7% Strongly Strongly Strongly agree agree agree

Figure 2 – Satisfaction with the School Environment



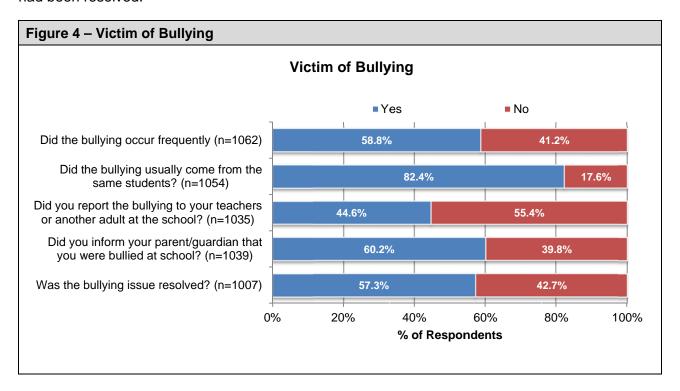
Bullying

Bullying at school was present at all grade levels, but was more prevalent in middle school, where 43% of respondents reported being bullied. Thirty-five percent of respondents reported being bullied in elementary school and 23% in high school.



Victim of Bullying

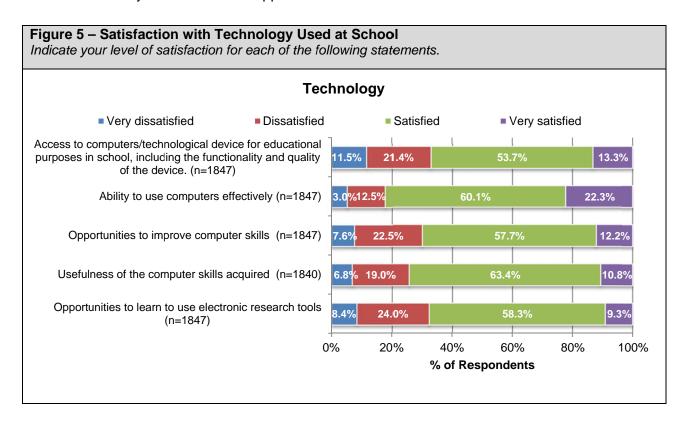
Of the respondents who reported being bullied at school, 59% were bullied frequently and by the same people (82%). Forty-five percent of respondents reported it to their teachers, and 60% reported being a victim of bullying to their parents. In the end, 57% of the victims said the issue had been resolved.



Section D - E-Learning and New Technologies

Satisfaction with Technology Used at School

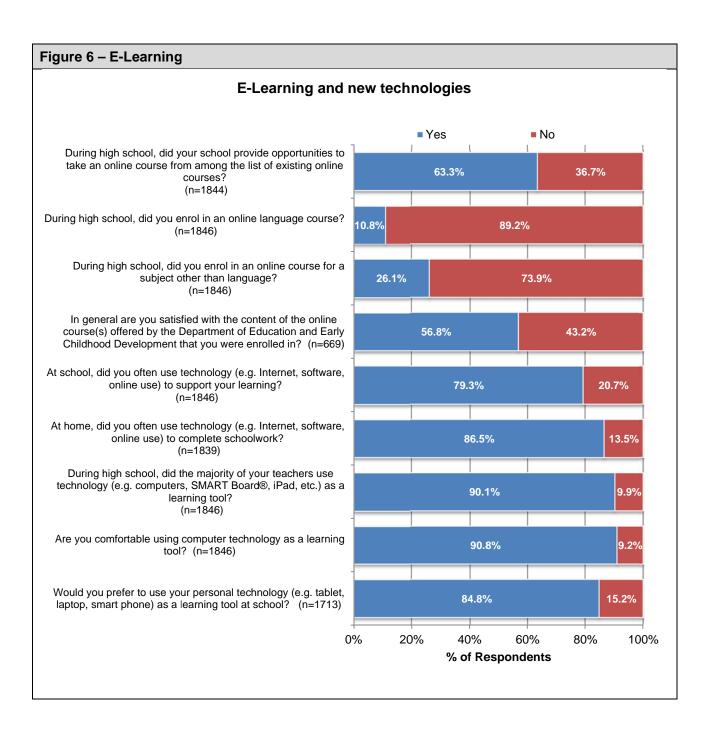
When asked to indicate their level of satisfaction with technology, 67% of respondents were satisfied or very satisfied with their access to computers at school, including the functionality and quality of the device. Seventy-four percent of respondents were satisfied with the usefulness of the computer skills acquired at school. While 82% of respondents were satisfied with their ability to use computers effectively, 30% said they were dissatisfied or very dissatisfied with the opportunities their school gave them to improve their computer skills, and approximately the same percent were dissatisfied or very dissatisfied with opportunities to learn to use electronic research tools.



E-Learning and new technologies

Sixty-three percent of respondents indicated that their school provided opportunities to take an online course from among the list of existing online courses. Fifty-seven percent indicated they were satisfied with the content of the online course offered by the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development. Twenty-six percent of respondents indicated they were enrolled in an online course other than language during high school and 11% in an online language course.

Ninety-one percent of respondents were comfortable using computer technology as a learning tool. Eighty-seven percent said they often used computer technology at home to complete schoolwork, and 79% at school to support learning. Ninety percent of respondents said their high school teachers used technology (e.g. computers, SMART Board®, iPad, etc.) as a learning tool. Eighty-five percent of respondents said they would prefer to use their own personal technology (e.g. tablet, laptop, smart phone) as a learning tool at school.

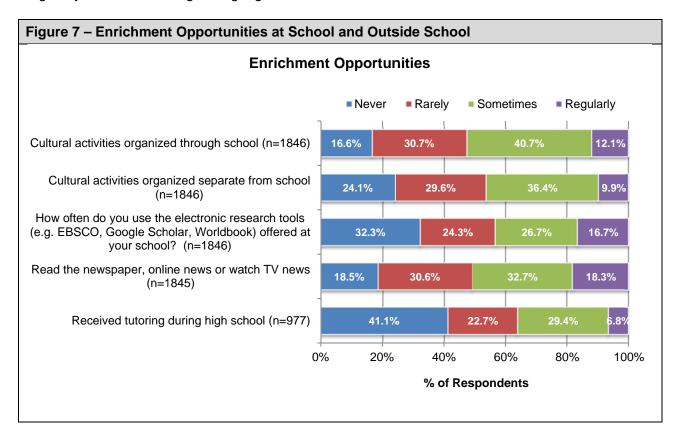


Section E – Enrichment Opportunities

Enrichment Opportunities at School and Outside School

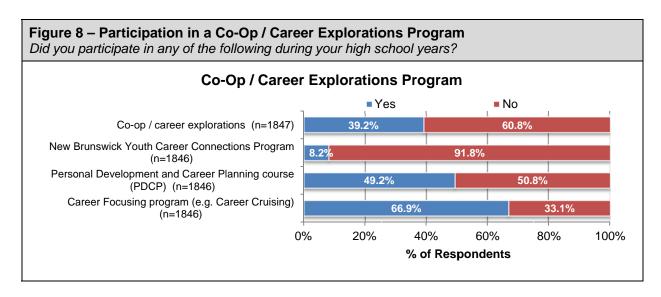
When asked to indicate the opportunities they had to participate in enrichment activities, 53% of respondents said they regularly or sometimes had the opportunity to participate in cultural activities organized through school and 46% in cultural activities organized separate from school.

About 57% of respondents said they never or rarely used electronic research tools (e.g. EBSCO, Worldbook) offered at school. However, 51% indicated they regularly or sometimes read the newspaper or online news, or watched TV news. Thirty-six percent of respondents sometimes or regularly received tutoring during high school.



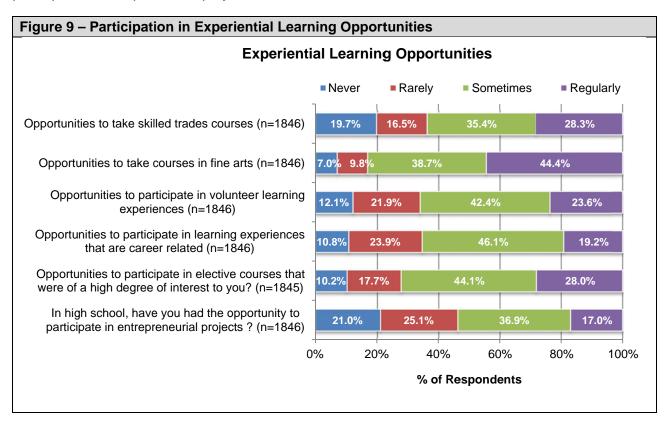
Participation in a Career Explorations Program

In all, 39% of respondents participated in a co-op / career explorations program during high school and just 8.2% in the New Brunswick Youth Career Connections Program. Forty-nine percent participated in a Personal Development and Career Planning course, and 67% in a career focusing program.



Experiential Learning Opportunities

When asked to indicate the occasions they had to participate in experiential learning opportunities, 64% of the respondents said they regularly or sometimes participated in skilled trades courses, 83% in fine arts courses (e.g. visual arts, music, theatre), and 65% in learning experiences that are career-related. Sixty-six percent of respondents indicated that they sometimes or regularly had the opportunity to participate in volunteer learning experiences. Seventy-two percent of respondents said they sometimes or regularly had the opportunity to participate in elective courses that were of a high degree of interest to them. Fifty-four percent indicated that they had the opportunity to participate in entrepreneurial projects.

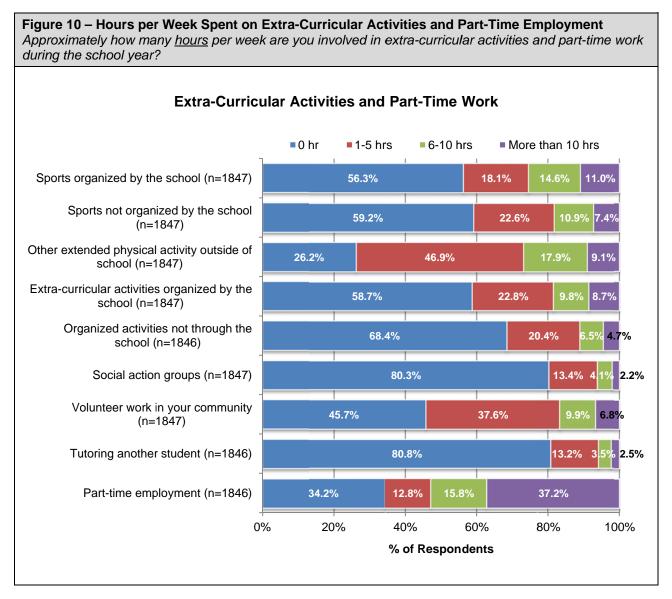


Hours per Week Spent on Extra-Curricular Activities and Part-Time Employment

Part-time employment (37%), sports organized by the school (11%), and other extended physical activities outside school (9.1%) were the top three activities to which respondents devoted more than 10 hours a week.

Forty-four percent of the respondents indicated that they participated in sports activities organized by the school, 41% in sports activities outside the school, and 74% in other extended physical activity outside of school. Fifteen percent spent between 6 and 10 hours a week involved in sports organized by the school, while 11% spent more than 10 hours a week. Forty-one percent participated in activities organized by their school at least one hour a week (e.g. drama, clubs, band, student council).

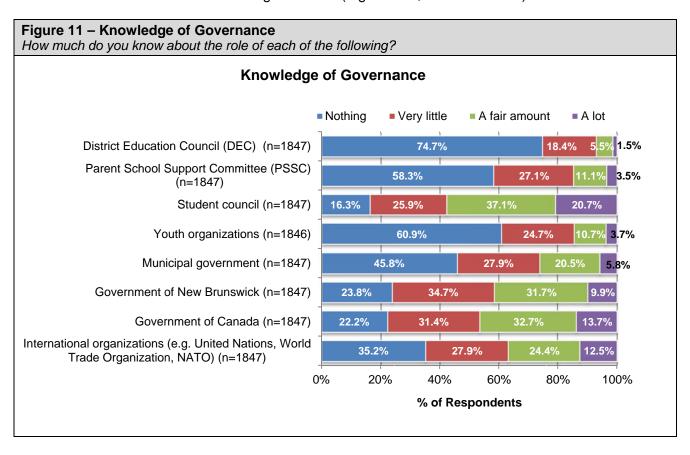
Fifty-four percent of the respondents did at least one hour of volunteer work in the community per week, including 6.8% who volunteered more than 10 hours per week. Nineteen percent of respondents said they tutored another student for at least one hour a week. Twenty percent of respondents were involved in social action groups for an hour or more per week.



Knowledge of Governance

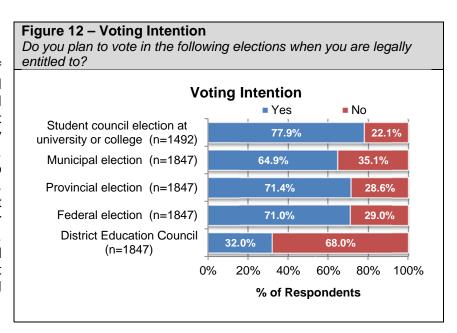
Respondents had limited knowledge of governance at the school and district level. The majority of respondents knew nothing (75%) or very little (18%) about the District Education Council. Almost 15% of respondents said they had a fair amount or a lot of knowledge about the role of the Parent School Support Committee. However, 58% said they had a fair amount or a lot of knowledge about the role of the student council. Only 14% said the same about youth organizations (e.g. NBASAA, Youth Matters).

Knowledge of government varied by level. Forty-six percent of respondents knew a fair amount or a lot about the Government of Canada, while 42% said the same about the Government of New Brunswick and 26% about municipal government. Thirty-seven percent of respondents knew a fair amount or a lot about international organizations (e.g. OECD, United Nations).



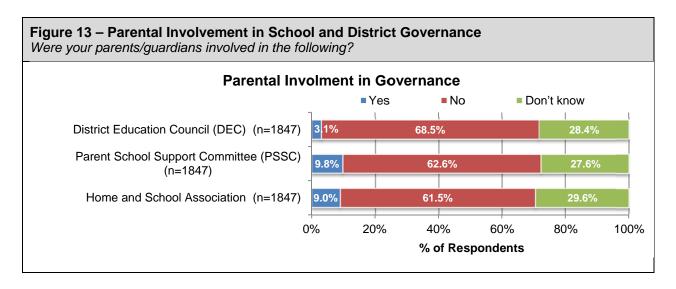
Voting Intention

of Seventy-one percent respondents said they planned to vote in the next federal election and in the next provincial election, when they were legally entitled to vote. Sixty-five percent planned to vote in a municipal election. The intention to vote in student council elections at university or college was higher at 78%. Only 32% of respondents said they planned to vote in the next District Education Council election.



Parental Involvement in School and District Governance

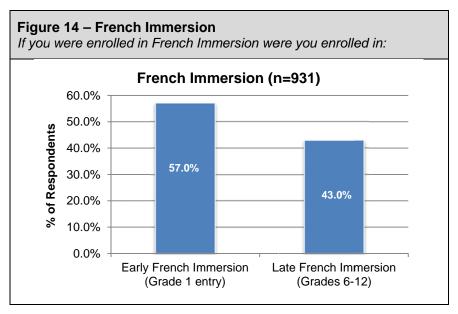
Roughly three in ten respondents did not know whether their parents or guardians were involved in school or district governance. Only 3.1% confirmed that their parents were involved in the District Education Council, 9.8% in the Parent School Support Committee, and 9.0% in the Home and School Association.



Section F - Language Skills

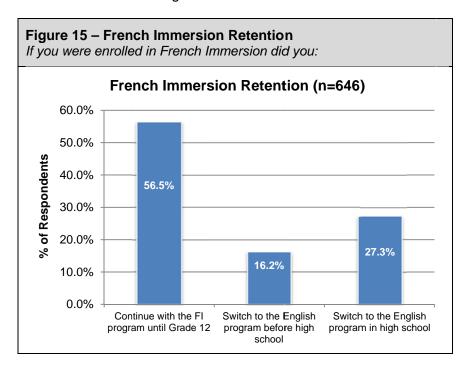
French Immersion

According to respondents, 50% were never enrolled in an immersion program during their studies. Of those enrolled at one point in French Immersion, 57% were enrolled in early immersion and 43% in late immersion.



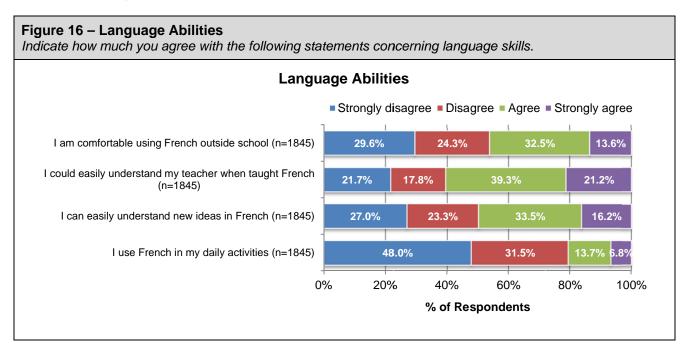
French Immersion Retention

Of those who had been enrolled in French Immersion at one point during the course of their studies, 57% remained in an immersion program, while 27% switched to the English program in high school and 16% switched before high school.



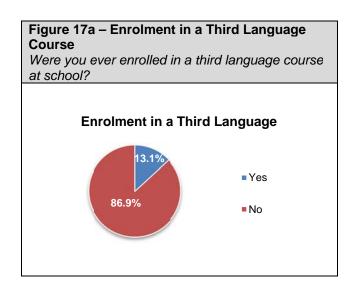
Language Abilities

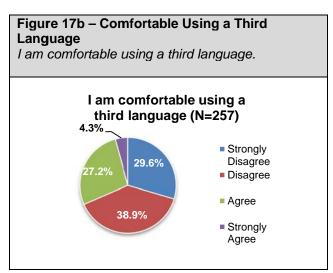
When asked about their language skills, 46% of respondents said they were comfortable speaking French outside school. However, only 21% indicated using French in their daily activities. When they were taught French as a second language, 61% could easily understand their teacher, and 50% could easily understand new ideas in French.



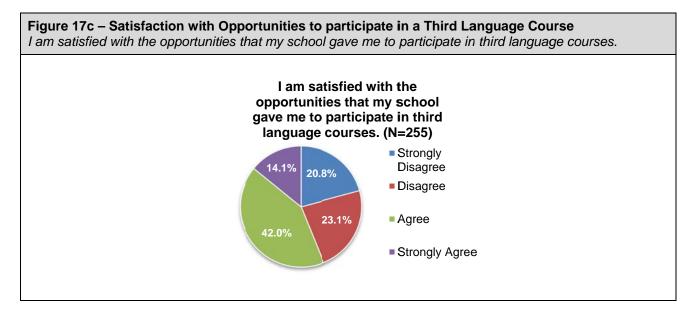
Enrolment in a Third Language Course

Thirteen percent of respondents indicated they were enrolled in a third language course at school, and 32% reported they were comfortable using a third language.



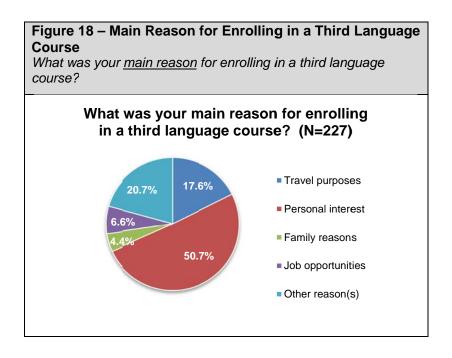


Fifty-six percent of respondents were satisfied with the opportunities their school provided them to participate in third language courses.



Main Reason for Enrolling in a Third Language Course

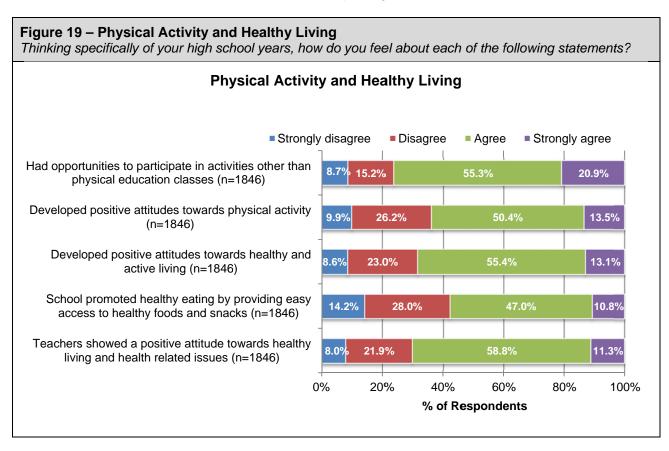
The main reason for learning a third language, given by 51% of respondents, was personal interest, followed by other reasons (21%), travel purposes (18%), job opportunities (6.6%), and family reasons (4.4%).



Section G - Physical Activity and Healthy Living

Physical Activity and Healthy Living

Most respondents seemed satisfied with the opportunities they were given to participate in, and develop positive attitudes towards, physical activity. Seventy-six percent said that they had opportunities to participate in activities other than physical education classes, and 64% said their school helped them to develop positive attitudes towards physical activity. Sixty-eight percent of respondents said their school enabled them to develop positive attitudes toward healthy and active living and 58% indicated that their school promoted healthy eating by providing easy access to healthy foods and snacks. Seventy percent of respondents agreed or strongly agreed their teachers showed a positive attitude towards healthy living and health related issues.



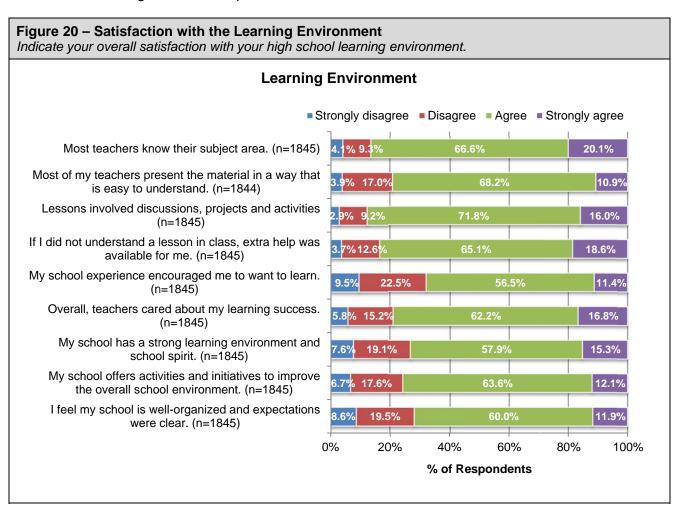
Section H - Learning Environment

Satisfaction with the Learning Environment

With respect to their high school experience, the majority of respondents were satisfied with the learning environment. Eighty-seven percent agreed or strongly agreed that their teachers knew their subject area, and 79% said their teachers present the material in a way that is easy to understand.

According to 84% of the respondents, extra help was available for them. Sixty-eight percent indicated that their school experience encouraged them to want to learn. Seventy-nine percent of respondents said that their teachers cared about their learning success. Eighty-eight percent said that the lessons involved discussion, projects and activities.

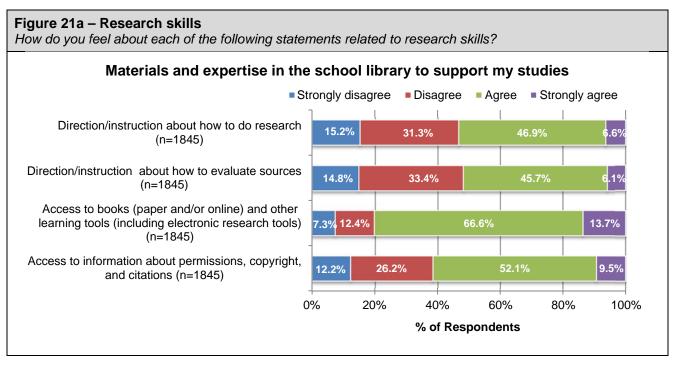
Seventy-three percent of respondents agreed or strongly agreed with the statement that their school had strong learning environment and school spirit. Seventy-six percent said their school offered activities and initiatives to improve the overall school environment, and 72% felt their school was well-organized and expectations were clear.

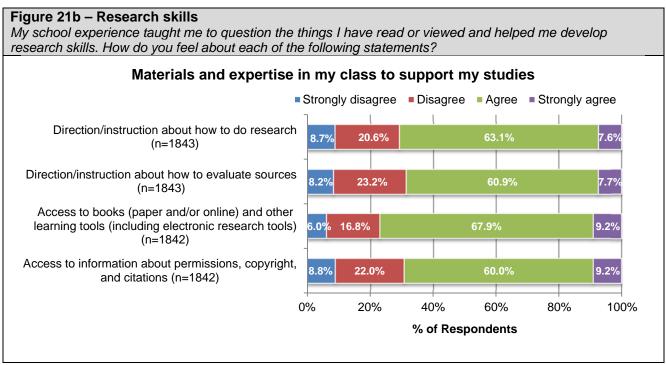


Respondents were asked whether their school experience taught them to question the things they had read or viewed, and if it helped them develop research skills. Fifty-four percent of respondents indicated that the materials and expertise in the school library supported their studies by providing guidance about how to do research, and 52% about how to evaluate sources. Eighty percent 20

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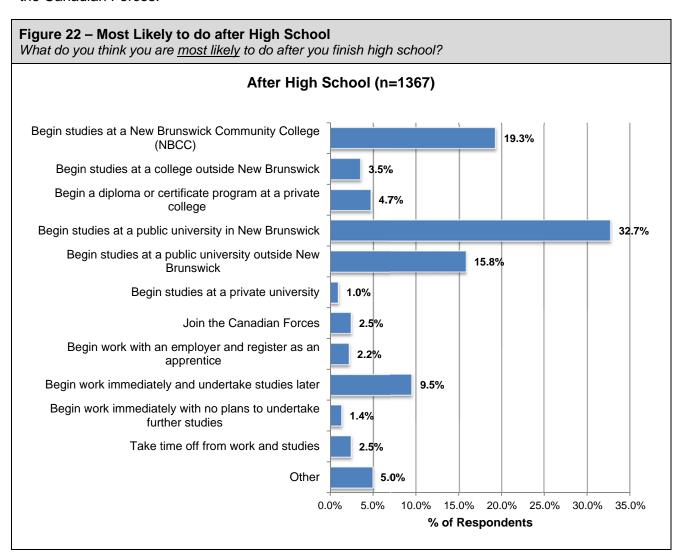




Section I – My Future

Most Likely to do After High School

The majority of respondents intended to pursue their studies after they finished high school. When asked about their future intentions, 33% said they would attend a public university in New Brunswick and 19% at a New Brunswick Community College. A few respondents intended to continue their studies at a university (16%) or a college (3.5%) outside New Brunswick, and a few at a private college (4.7%) or university (1.0%). Nearly ten percent of respondents intended to begin working following high school and pursue their studies at a future date. Only 1.4% of respondents intended to begin working immediately with no plans to undertake further studies, and 2.5% intended to take time off from work and studies altogether. Only 2.2% of respondents intended to begin work with an employer and register as an apprentice, while 2.5% intended to join the Canadian Forces.



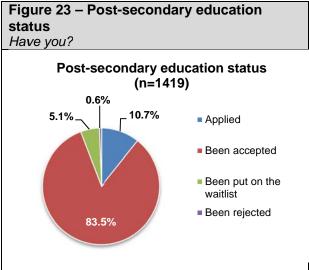
Eighty-four percent of the respondents going on to post-secondary education had been accepted, 11% had applied, 5.1% had been put on the waitlist, and 0.6% had been rejected.

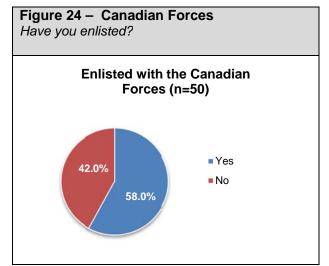
Of the 2.5% of respondents that indicated they intended to join the Canadian Forces, 58% had enlisted.

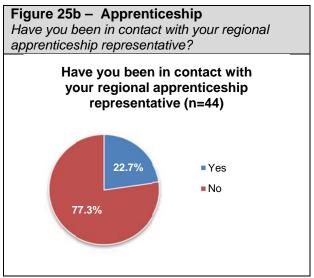
Of the 2.2% of respondents that intended to begin work with an employer and register as an apprentice, 51% had found an employer in their field of interest. Twenty-three percent had been in contact with their regional apprenticeship representative.

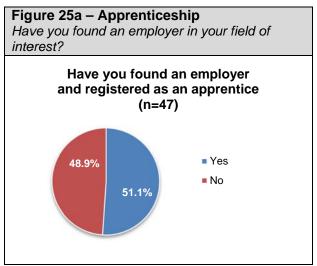
Of the respondents that indicated they were going to begin work immediately and undertake studies later, or be

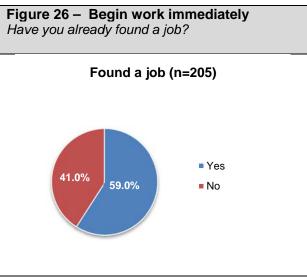
to begin work immediately and undertake studies later, or begin work with no plans to undertake further studies, 59% indicated that they had already found a job.





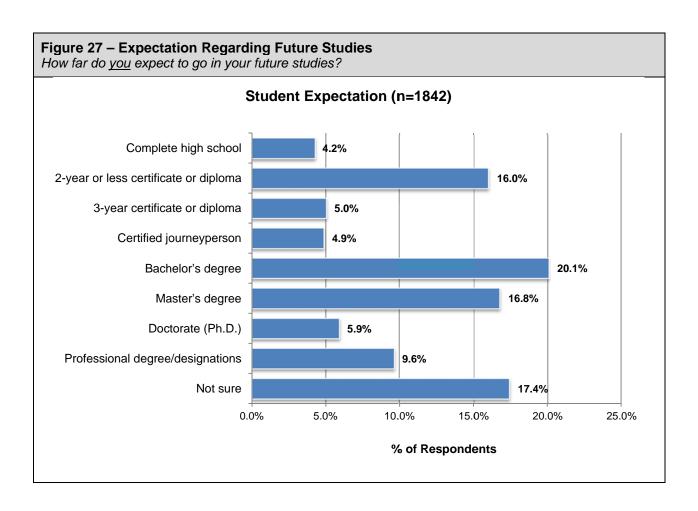






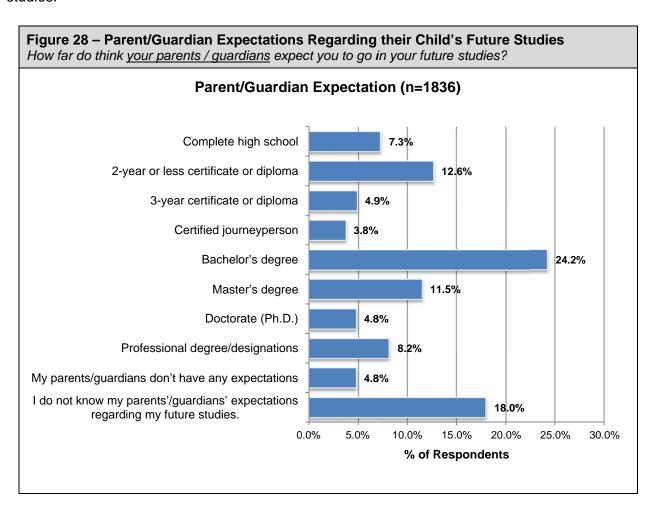
Expectation Regarding Future Studies

Most respondents expected to obtain a university degree (52%) or a certificate/diploma in two years or less (16%). Twenty percent of respondents planned to obtain a bachelor's degree, 17% a master's degree, 9.6% a professional degree/designation (lawyer, dentist, etc.), and 5.9% a doctorate. Only 4.9% expected to become a certified journeyperson. Only 4.2% of respondents planned to stop at high school. Interestingly, 17% of respondents indicated they were not sure how far they expected to go in their future studies.



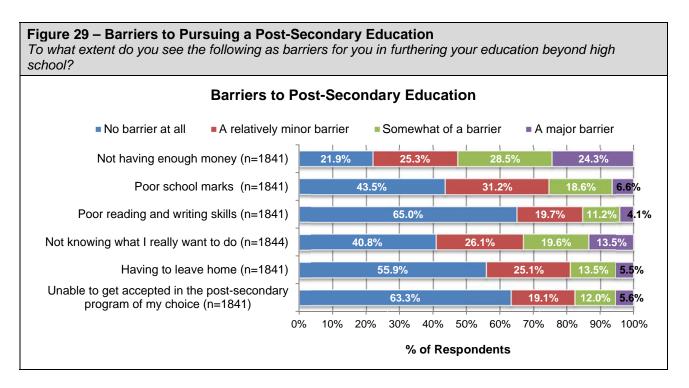
Parent/Guardian Expectations Regarding their Child's Future Studies

According to respondents, obtaining a bachelor's degree (24%), a master's degree (12%), and obtaining a certificate/diploma in two years or less (13%) were the most common levels of education expected by parents. These were followed by completing high school (7.3%) and completing a 3-year certificate or diploma (4.9%). Only 3.8% expected them to become a certified journeyperson. Eighteen percent of respondents did not know what their parents expected, and 4.8% of respondents said their parents did not have any expectations regarding their future studies.



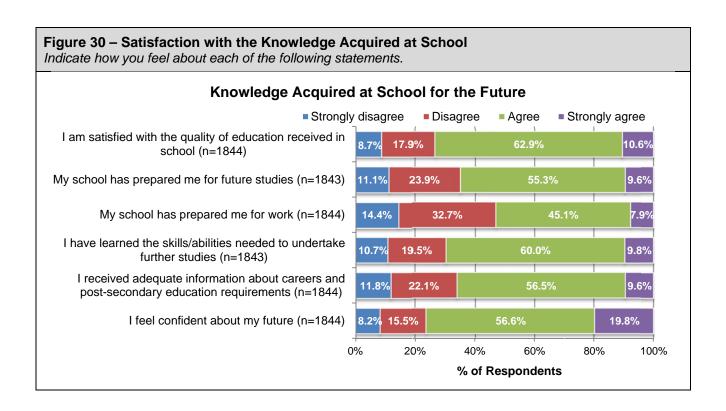
Barriers to Pursuing a Post-Secondary Education

According to 53% of respondents, not having enough money was the main barrier to pursuing a post-secondary education. Twenty-four percent of respondents believed money was a major barrier, and 29%, somewhat of a barrier. Fourteen percent said that not knowing what they really want to do was a major barrier, and 20% said it was somewhat of a barrier. Poor marks were somewhat of a barrier or a major barrier for 25% of respondents, while only 15% said the same for poor reading and writing skills. Eighty-one percent of respondents did not believe that having to leave home was a barrier. Eighteen percent of respondents said that being unable to get accepted to the post-secondary program of choice was somewhat or a major barrier.



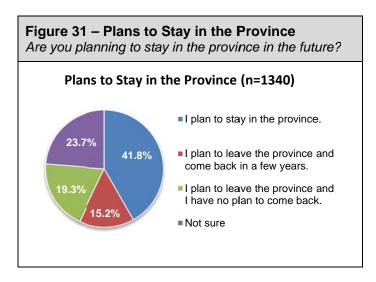
Satisfaction with the Knowledge Acquired at School

The majority of respondents appeared satisfied with the knowledge they acquired at school. Seventy-three percent of respondents said they were satisfied with the quality of education received in school and 70% believed they had learned the skills and developed the abilities needed to pursue further studies. Sixty-five percent of respondents believed that school prepared them for future studies and 53% for work. Sixty-six percent of respondents agreed or strongly agreed with the statement that they received adequate information about careers and the necessary post-secondary education requirements to help make decisions about their future. Seventy-six percent of respondents indicated that they felt confident about their future.



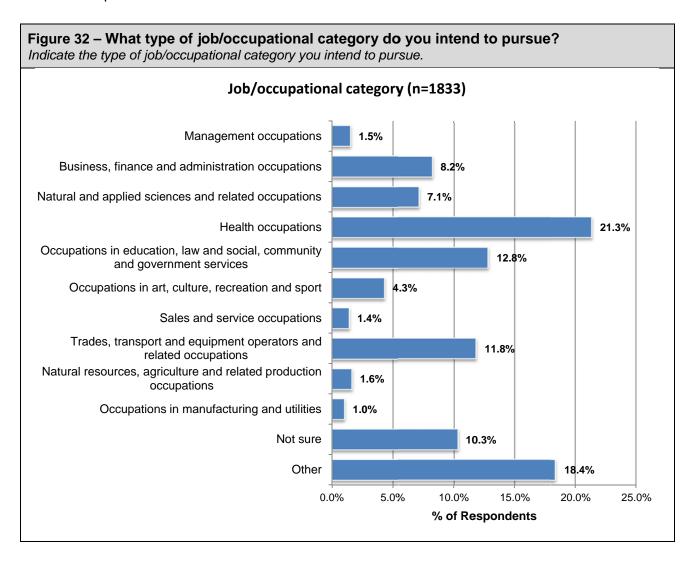
Plans to Stay in the Province

Almost 42% of respondents planned to stay in the province and 15% planned to leave the province but come back in a few years. Roughly 19% of respondents planned to leave the province with no plan to come back. Twenty-four percent of respondents were not sure if they plan to stay in the province.



What type of job/occupational category do you intend to pursue?

This question was added in 2013. Respondents were asked what type of job/occupational category they intended to pursue. Just over 21% of respondents indicated they intended to pursue a career in health, almost 12% indicated trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations and 13% indicated occupations in education, law and social, community and government services. Eighteen percent of respondents indicated they were pursuing a job in a category that was not listed, while just over 10% were not sure what type of occupation they intended to pursue.

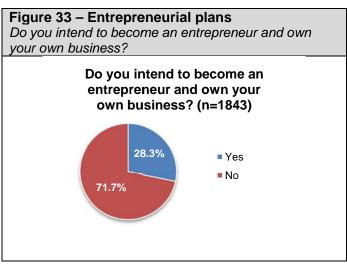


Entrepreneurial plans

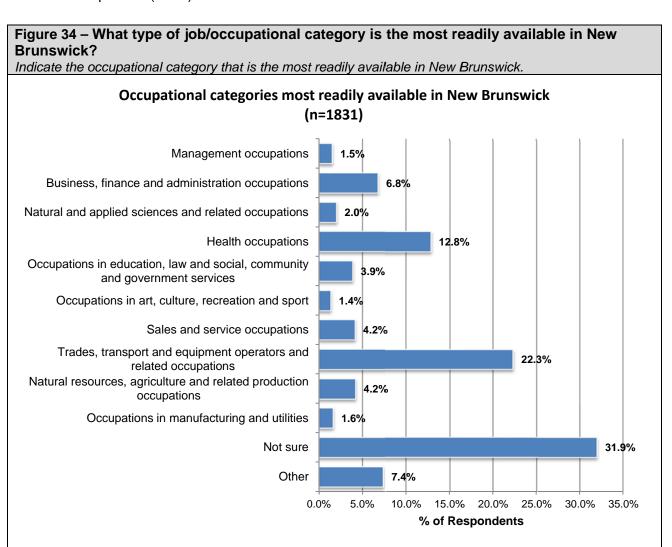
This question was added in 2014, asking graduates if they intend to become an entrepreneur and own their own business. Twenty-eight percent said yes.

Which of the following occupational categories are currently, in your opinion, the most readily available in New Brunswick?

This question was added in 2013. Thirty-two percent of respondents were not sure what



occupational categories were the most readily available in New Brunswick. Just over 22% of respondents indicated that jobs in trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations were the most readily available, followed by jobs in health occupations (13%) and jobs in other occupations (7.4%).



Appendix 2015 Grade 12 Exit Survey

2015 GRADE 12 EXIT SURVEY



Introduction

You have been chosen to participate in a survey of Grade 12 students in order to help us (the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development, your school district and school) understand your opinions of your school experience, activities and future plans.

Your answers are **confidential** and important to us.

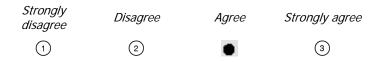
Thank you for taking the time to participate.

Instructions

Read every question carefully, and then answer each question by filling in the appropriate bubble.

Each bubble must be filled completely.

For example:



Answer each question. If a question does not apply to you, fill in the not applicable (N/A) bubble. Only one answer is accepted for each question.

Unless otherwise indicated, the questions relate to your high school (9-12) experience.

The survey will take approximately 30 minutes to complete.

You may now proceed

2015 GRADE 12 EXIT SURVEY



SEC	CTIC	N A: Demographic Information					
A1)	Ar	e you male or female?		A5)	Ar	e you?	
	1)	Male	1		1)	A Canadian citizen born in or outside Canada	1
	2)	Female	2		2)	A non-permanent resident of Canada (e.g. student visa)	2
	3)	Gender independent	3		3)	A landed immigrant (permanent resident) in Canada	3
A2)		hat language do you speak at ho all of the time?	me <u>most</u>		4)	Other	4
	1)	English	1	A6)	Wi	th whom do you live most or all o	of the
	2)	French	2			ne?	
	3)	Equally both French and English	3		1)	Both parents	1
	4)	Other Language(s)	4		2)	Mother only	2
A3)	Нс	ow old are you?			3)	Father only	3
,	1)	16 or under	1		4)	Time shared between mother and father	4
	2)	17	2		5)	Guardian(s)	(5)
	3)	18	3		6)	Other	6
	4)	19	4	A7)	Do	you have a learning disability?	
	5)	20	5		1)	Yes	1
	6)	21 or over	6		2)	No	2
A4)	Ar	e you?		4.0)			
	1)	An Aboriginal person living in a First Nation community	1	A8)	A8) Has your mother/guardian complet form of post-secondary education: college, university, or apprenticeship		e.g.
	2)	An Aboriginal person <u>not living</u> in a First Nation community	2				1
	3)	A visible minority (other than Aboriginal)	3		1)	Yes	① ②
	4)	None of the above	4		2)	No	_
					3)	Not sure	3

2015 GRADE 12 EXIT SURVEY



	Has your father/guardia apprenticeship?	an completed	some form of p	oost-seconda	ary education	: e.g. college,	university,
,	1) Yes	1					
;	2) No	2					
;	3) Not sure	3					
SEC	TION B: Academic Backg	ground					
<i>B1)</i>	Do you have a Special E	ducation Pla	n?				
1)	Yes	1					
2	No No	2					
3)	Not sure	3					
<i>B2)</i>	What were your most r		arks in the follo	owing subject			
<u>NOTE</u>	(If you were never enrolle : If you are following a spec		-			o the following o	<u>questions.</u> Less than 60%
<u>NОТЕ</u>	•	cial education p	l <u>an and you do no</u>	t receive marks	s, indicate N/A to		Less than
	: If you are following a spec	cial education po	l <u>an and you do no</u> 90% or more	<u>t receive marks</u> 80%-89%	5, indicate N/A to 70%-79%	60%-69%	Less than 60%
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2015 GRADE 12 EXIT SURVEY Strongly Disagree Strongly agree **Agree** disagree 4 ① **(2)** (3) h) I enjoyed my school experience. My school experience was academically **(1)** (2) (3) (4) i) challenging. (1) (2) (4) j) The variety of courses available met my needs. (3) (4) ① (2) k) My school is environmentally friendly (e.g. recycling). My school encourages me to contribute to the I) (2) (3) environment's sustainability. If I had a problem, there was an adult I could talk (2) (3) 4 ① m) to at my school. *C2)* The following statements relate to bullying at school. Yes No ① 2 I was bullied during my high school years. a) I was bullied during my middle school years. (1) (2) b) (1) (2) I was bullied during my elementary school years. c) Answer the follow-up questions regarding bullying at school. NOTE: if you were never bullied at school, indicate N/A to the following questions. N/A Yes No 0 **(1)** (2) a) Did the bullying occur frequently (at least once a week)? Did the bullying usually come from the same student(s)? 0 ① b) Did you report the bullying to your teachers or another adult at (0) c) **(1)** (2) the school? Did you inform your parent(s)/guardian(s) that you were bullied 0 d) at school? 0 (1) (2) Was your bullying issue resolved? e) 5



SECTION D: E-Learning and New Technologies

D1)	Indicate your	level of	satisfaction for	or each c	of the	following	statements.
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		Very dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Very satisfied
a)	Access to computers/technological device for educational purposes in school, including the functionality and quality of the device.	1)	2	3	4
b)	My ability to use computers effectively.	1	2	3	4
c)	Opportunities that my school gave me to improve my computer skills.	1	2	3	4
d)	Usefulness of the computer skills acquired.	1	2	3	4
e)	Opportunities that my school gave me to learn how to use electronic research tools.	1	2	3	4
D2)	Indicate "yes" or "no" to the following questions	s regarding e	learning and n	ew technolo	gies.
			N/A	Yes	No
a)	During high school, did your school provide opportunan online course from among the list of existing online			1	2
b)	During high school, did you enrol in an online langua	ge course?		1	2
c)	During high school, did you <u>enrol</u> in an online course <u>other than</u> language?	for a subject		1	2
d)	In general are you satisfied with the content of the ocourse(s) offered by the Department of Education an Childhood Development that you were enrolled in? (I enrol, indicate N/A.)	nd Early	•	1	2
e)	At school, did you often use technology (e.g. Interne online use) to support your learning?	et, software,		1	2
f)	At home, did you often use technology (e.g. Internet online use) to complete schoolwork?	t, software,		1	2
g)	During high school, did the majority of your teachers technology (e.g. computers, SMARTBOARD [®] , iPad, e learning tool?			1	2
h)	Are you comfortable using computer technology as a tool?	learning		1	2
i)	Would you prefer to use your personal technology (e laptop, smart phone) as a learning tool at school?	e.g. tablet,	0	1	2



SECTION E: Enrichment Opportunities

E1)	Answer the following questions regarding	g enrichm	ent opportuni	ties.		
		N/A	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Regularly
a)	Have you had opportunities in high school to participate in cultural activities organized through your school (e.g. plays, visits to museums, art galleries, musical groups)?		•	2	3	4
b)	Have you had opportunities in high school to participate in cultural activities not organized by your school (e.g. visited a museum or went to a play with your parents/guardians)?		①	2	3	4
c)	How often do you use the electronic research tools (e.g. EBSCO, Google Scholar, Worldbook) offered at your school?		①	2	3	4
d)	How often do you read the newspaper, online news or watch TV news?		1	2	3	4
e)	Did you receive tutoring during high school? (If you did not need any, indicate N/A.)	•	1	2	3	4
E2)	Did you participate in any of the following	ng during h	nigh school (th	ninking back	as far as Grad	le 9)?
					Yes	No
a)	Co-op Education or Career Exploration				1	2
b)	New Brunswick Youth Career Connections Pr Program	ogram or Y	outh Apprentice	eship	1	2
c)	Personal Development and Career Planning	course (PDC	CP)		1	2
d)	Career Focusing program (e.g. Career Cruisi	ng)			1	2



E3) Answer the following questions regarding experiential learning opportunities.

		Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Regularly
a)	Have you had opportunities in high school to take courses in the skilled trades?	1	2	3	4
b)	Have you had opportunities in high school to take courses in fine arts (e.g visual arts, music, theatre)?	1	2	3	4
c)	Have you had opportunities in high school to participate in volunteer learning experiences (e.g. volunteered as part of a classroom activity or assignment)?	1	2	3	4
d)	Have you had opportunities in high school to participate in career-related learning experiences (e.g. career fairs, Job Fest, post-secondary days)?	1	2	3	4
e)	Have you had opportunities in high school to participate in elective courses that were of a high degree of interest to you?	1	2	3	4
f)	In high school, have you had the opportunity to participate in entrepreneurial projects (creating a product, offering a service, or by organizing an event that responded to a need of the school or the community, projects in which the students were the directors and managers)?	1	2	3	4



E4) Approximately how many <u>hours</u> per week are you involved in extra-curricular activities and part-time work during the school year?

		0	1-5	6-10	More than 10
a)	Sports organized by the school (e.g. varsity basketball,	1	2	3	4
b)	hockey) Sports not organized by the school (e.g. minor hockey, soccer club)	1	2	3	4
c)	Other extended physical activity outside of school (e.g. running, biking, hiking)	1	2	3	4
d)	Extra-curricular activities organized by the school (e.g. drama, clubs, band, student council)	1	2	3	4
e)	Organized activities <u>not through</u> the school (e.g. Cadets, Junior Achievement, music lessons)	1	2	3	4
f)	Social action groups (e.g. environment, animal protection, politics)	1	2	3	4
g)	Volunteer work in your community	1	2	3	4
h)	Tutoring another student	1	2	3	4
i)	Part-time employment	1	2	3	4
E5)	How much do you know about the role of each o	f the followir	n g? Very little	A fair amount	A lot
E5)	How much do you know about the role of each of District Education Council (DEC)		_	A fair amount	A lot
		Nothing	Very little	_	_
a)	District Education Council (DEC)	Nothing ①	Very little	3	4
a) b)	District Education Council (DEC) Parent School Support Committee (PSSC)	Nothing ① ①	Very little ② ②	③④	4
a) b) c)	District Education Council (DEC) Parent School Support Committee (PSSC) Student council	Nothing ① ① ① ①	Very little ② ② ②	333	4444
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E6)	Do you plan to vote in the following elections when you are legally entitled to?							
		N/A	Yes	No				
a)	Student council elections at university or college (If you don't plan to attend a post-secondary institution, indicate N/A.)	0	1	2				
b)	Municipal elections		1	2				
c)	Provincial elections		1	2				
d)	Federal elections		1	2				
e)	District Education Council (DEC) elections		1	2				
<i>E7)</i>	Was your parent(s)/guardian(s) involved in the following?							
		Yes	No	Don't know				
a)	District Education Council (DEC)	1	2	3				
b)	Parent School Support Committee (PSSC)	1	2	3				
c)	Home and School Association	1	2	3				



SECTION F: Language Skills

<i>F1)</i> I	f you were enrolled in French Immersion, were	you enrolled	in:		
1)	Early French Immersion (Grade 1 entry)		1		
2)	<u>Late</u> French Immersion (Grade 6 entry)		2		
3)	Never enrolled in French Immersion (English program/C	ore French)	3		
F2) I	f you were enrolled in French Immersion did yo	u:			
1)	Continue with the French Immersion program until C		1		
2)	Switch to the English program before high school?		2		
3)	Switch to the English program in high school?		3		
4)	N/A (I was never enrolled in French Immersion)		4		
F3) I	ndicate how much you agree with the following	statements	concerning lan	guage skills	•
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
a)	I am comfortable using French outside school.	1	2	3	4
b)					
D)	When I was last taught French second language, I could easily understand my teacher.	1	2	3	4
c)		① ①	② ②	③ ③	44
	could easily understand my teacher.	0		_	-
c) d)	could easily understand my teacher. I can easily understand new ideas in French.	1	2	3	4
c) d)	could easily understand my teacher. I can easily understand new ideas in French. I use French in my daily activities.	①	2	3	4
c) d)	could easily understand my teacher. I can easily understand new ideas in French. I use French in my daily activities. Here are some questions about third languages: Vere you ever enrolled in a third language course	①	2	3	4
c) d) F4) I a) W	could easily understand my teacher. I can easily understand new ideas in French. I use French in my daily activities. Here are some questions about third languages: Vere you ever enrolled in a third language course	①	2	3	4



b) If you selected "Yes" for the previous question, please answer the following.

		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
1)	I am comfortable using a third language.	1	2	3	4
2)	I am satisfied with the opportunities that my school gave me to participate in third language courses.	①	2	3	4
c) W	hat was your <u>main reason</u> for enrolling in a thi	rd language co	ourse?		
1)	Travel purposes	1			
2)	Personal interest	2			
3)	Family reasons	3			
4)	Job opportunities	4			
5)	Other reason(s)	5			
6)	I was never enrolled in a third language class	6			

SECTION G: Physical Activity and Healthy Living

G1) Thinking specifically of your high school years, how do you feel about each of the following statements?

		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
a)	My school has provided opportunities to participate in exercise or physical activity other than phys. ed. class.	1)	2	3	4
b)	My school has helped me to develop positive attitudes towards physical activity.	1	2	3	4
c)	My school has helped me to develop positive attitudes towards healthy and active living.	1	2	3	4
d)	My school promoted healthy eating by providing easy access to healthy food and snacks.	1	2	3	4
e)	Most teachers showed a positive attitude towards healthy living and health related issues.	1	2	3	4



SECTION H: Learning Environment

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		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
a)	Most teachers in my school know their subject area.	1	2	3	4
b)	Most of my teachers present the material in a way that is easy to understand.	1	2	3	4
c)	Lessons involved discussions, projects and activities.	1	2	3	4
d)	If I did not understand a lesson in class, extra help was available for me.	1	2	3	4
e)	My school experience encouraged me to want to learn.	1	2	3	4
f)	Overall, teachers cared about my learning success.	1	2	3	4
g)	My school has a strong learning environment and school spirit.	1	2	3	4
h)	My school offers activities and initiatives to improve the overall school environment.	1	2	3	4
i)	I feel my school is well-organized and expectations were clear.	1	2	3	4

H2) How do you feel about each of the following statements related to research skills?

			Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
a)		aterials and expertise in the <u>school library</u> to pport my studies included:				
	i.	Direction/instruction about how to do research	1	2	3	4
	ii.	Direction/instruction about how to evaluate sources	1	2	3	4
	iii.	Access to books (paper and/or online) and other learning tools (including electronic research tools)	1	2	3	4
	iv.	Access to information about permissions, copyright, and citations	1	2	3	4

2015 GRADE 12 EXIT SURVEY Strongly Strongly Disagree *Agree* Disagree agree Materials and expertise in my classes to support my b) studies included: ① (2) (3) 4) i. Direction/instruction about how to do research Direction/instruction about how to evaluate ① (3) **(**4) sources iii. Access to books (paper and/or online) and other learning tools (including electronic research ① (3) **(**4) tools) iv. Access to information about permissions, ① (3) **(**4) copyright, and citations **SECTION I: My Future** 11) What do you think you are most likely to do when you finish high school? (Only one answer is accepted.) Begin studies at a New Brunswick Community College (NBCC or CCNB) (go to question 11A) (1) 1) Begin studies at a college outside New Brunswick (e.g. CEGEP, Holland College) (go to question I1A) 2) (2) Begin a diploma or certificate program at a private college (e.g. Eastern College, Oulton's) (go to (3) 3) question I1A) Begin studies at a public university in New Brunswick (e.g. UNB, UdeM, STU, Mount Allison) (go to 4)

Begin studies at a public university outside New Brunswick (e.g. Dalhousie, Acadia, McGill, Carleton) (go

Begin work with an employer and register as an apprentice (go to question I1C1 and I1C2)

Begin work immediately with no plans to undertake further studies (go to question 11D)

(6)

(c)

Begin studies at a private university (e.g. Crandall, St. Stephen's) (go to question 11A)

Begin work immediately and undertake studies later (go to question I1D)

Take time off from work and studies (e.g. travel) (go to question 12)

Join the Canadian Forces (go to guestion 11B)

5)

6)

7)

8)

9)

A)

B)

C)

to question I1A)

Other (go to guestion 12)



11A) Regarding the options above related to your future studies, have you: (Only one answer is accepted.)					
1)	Applied?	1			
2)	Been accepted?	2			
3)	Been put on the waitlist?	3			
4)	Been rejected?	4			
/1B) If you selected "Join the Canadian Forces" from the list above, have you enlisted?					
1)	Yes	1			
2)	No	2			
3)	Not applicable	3			
and abo	f you selected "Begin work of the selected of	from the list	а	ave you been in pprenticeship re	contact with your regional presentative?
1)	Yes	1	1)	Yes	1
2)	No	2	2)	No	2
3)	Not applicable	3	3)	Not applicable	3
(11D) If you selected "Begin work immediately and undertake studies later" or "Begin work immediately with no plans to undertake further studies" from the list above, have you already found a job?					
1)	Yes	1			
2)	No	2			
3)	Not applicable	3			





/1E) What type of job/occupational category do you intend to pursue? (Only one answer is accepted.)

1)	Management occupations	1	
2)	Business, finance and administration occupations	2	
3)	Natural and applied sciences and related occupations	3	
4)	Health occupations	4	
5)	Occupations in education, law and social, community and government services	5	
6)	Occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport	6	
7)	Sales and service occupations		
8)	Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations		
9)	Natural resources, agriculture and related production occupations		
A)	Occupations in manufacturing and utilities	A	
B)	Not sure	В	
C)	Other	©	
11E2) Do you intend to become an entrepreneur and own your own business?			
1)	Yes ①		
2)	No ②		



11F) Which of the following occupational categories are currently, in your opinion, the most readily available in New Brunswick? (Only one answer is accepted.)

1)	Management occupations	1
2)	Business, finance and administration occupations	2
3)	Natural and applied sciences and related occupations	3
4)	Health occupations	4
5)	Occupations in education, law and social, community and government services	(5)
6)	Occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport	6
7)	Sales and service occupations	7
8)	Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations	8
9)	Natural resources, agriculture and related production occupations	9
A)	Occupations in manufacturing and utilities	A
B)	Not sure	В
C)	Other	0



2) How far do you expect to go in your future studies? (Only one answer is accepted.)				
1)	Complete high school	1		
2)	2-year or less certificate or diploma	2		
3)	3-year certificate or diploma	3		
4)	Certified journeyperson (completion of apprenticeship qualifications)	4		
5)	Bachelor's degree	(5)		
6)	Master's degree	6		
7)	Doctorate (Ph.D.)	7		
8)	Professional degree/designations (e.g. Medicine, Dentistry, Law)	8		
9)	Not sure	9		
	(3) How far do you think <u>your parent(s)/guardian(s)</u> expect you to go in your future studies? (Only one answer is accepted.)			
(C	Uniy one answer is accepted.)			
1)	Complete high school	①		
2)	2-year or less certificate or diploma	2		
3)	3-year certificate or diploma	3		
4)	Certified journeyperson (completion of apprenticeship qualifications)	4		
5)	Bachelor's degree	5		
6)	Master's degree	6		
7)	Doctorate (Ph.D.)	7		
8)	Professional degree/designations (e.g. Medicine, Dentistry, Law)	8		
9)	My parents/guardians don't have any expectations	9		
A)	I do not know my parents'/guardians' expectations regarding my future studies	A		
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<i>14)</i>	To what extent do you see the following as barriers for you in furthering your education beyond high school?				
	SCHOOL:	No barrier at all	A relatively minor barrier	Somewhat of a barrier	A major barrier
a)	Not having enough money to pay for education/ training	1	2	3	4
b)	Poor school marks	1	2	3	4
c)	Poor reading and writing skills	1	2	3	4
d)	Not knowing what I really want to do	1	2	3	4
e)	Having to leave home	1	2	3	4
f)	Unable to get accepted in the post-secondary program of my choice	1	2	3	4
<i>15)</i>	Indicate how you feel about each of the followi	ng statements	<u>.</u>		
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
a)	I am satisfied with the quality of education received in my school.	1	2	3	4
b)	My school has prepared me for future studies.	1	2	3	4
c)	My school has prepared me for work.	1	2	3	4
d)	I have developed the skills and abilities necessary to undertake further studies (example: time management, study skills, organization).	1	2	3	4
e)	I have received adequate information about careers and the necessary post-secondary education requirements which will help me to make decisions about my future.	1	2	3	4
f)	I feel confident about my future.	1	2	3	4



16) Are you planning to stay in the province after graduation? (Only one answer is accepted.)				
1)	I plan to stay in the province.	①		
2)	I plan to leave the province and come back in a few years.	2		
3)	I plan to leave the province and I have no plan to come back.	③		
4)	Not sure.	4		

This now completes the Exit Survey.
Thank you for your cooperation.