

Calgary Board of Education 2020-21 Parent Re-Entry Survey

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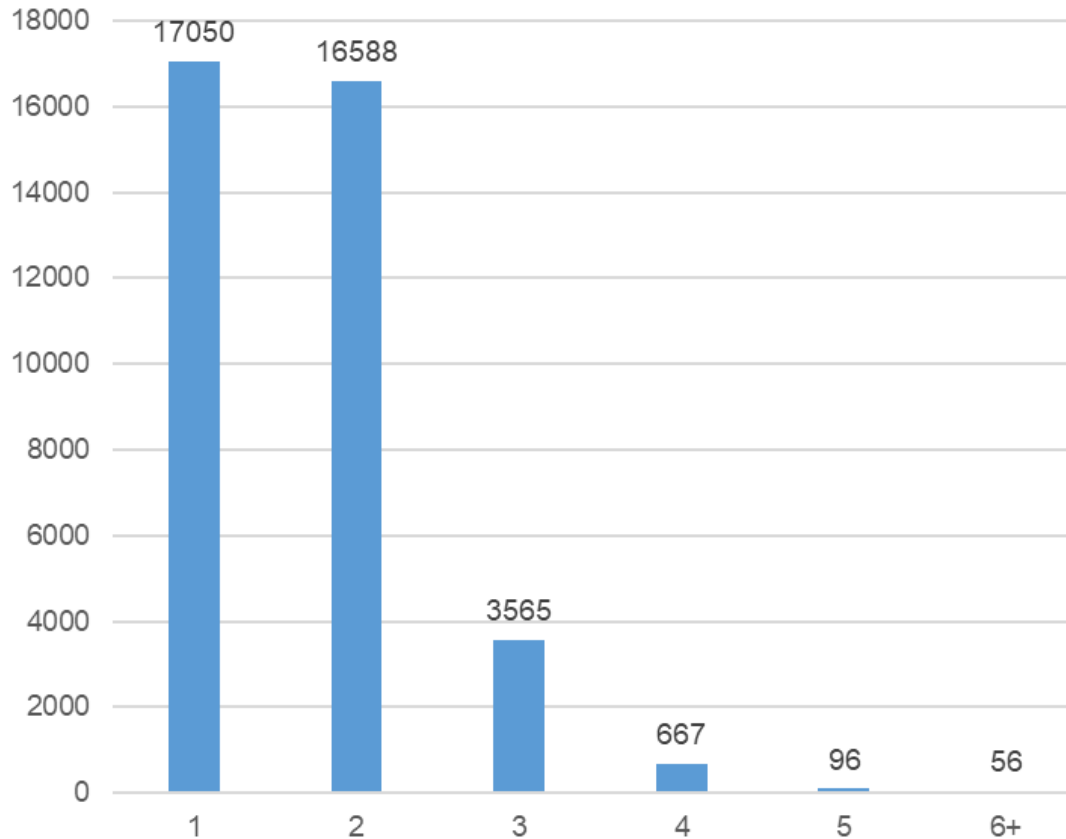
Background

- Online surveys were available to CBE students, staff, parents and community members May 29 – June 11, 2020. This report is for the parent results.
- The total number of valid responses on the staff survey was 41,889. More than 230 responses were deemed to be invalid (attempts to skew results) and removed from the survey data.
- The purpose of the survey was to gather feedback from stakeholders on possible scenarios for when classes start again in fall 2020.
- This report includes quantitative survey results only. Comments provided on the survey were forwarded to the relevant service units for review and consideration.

About the Participants

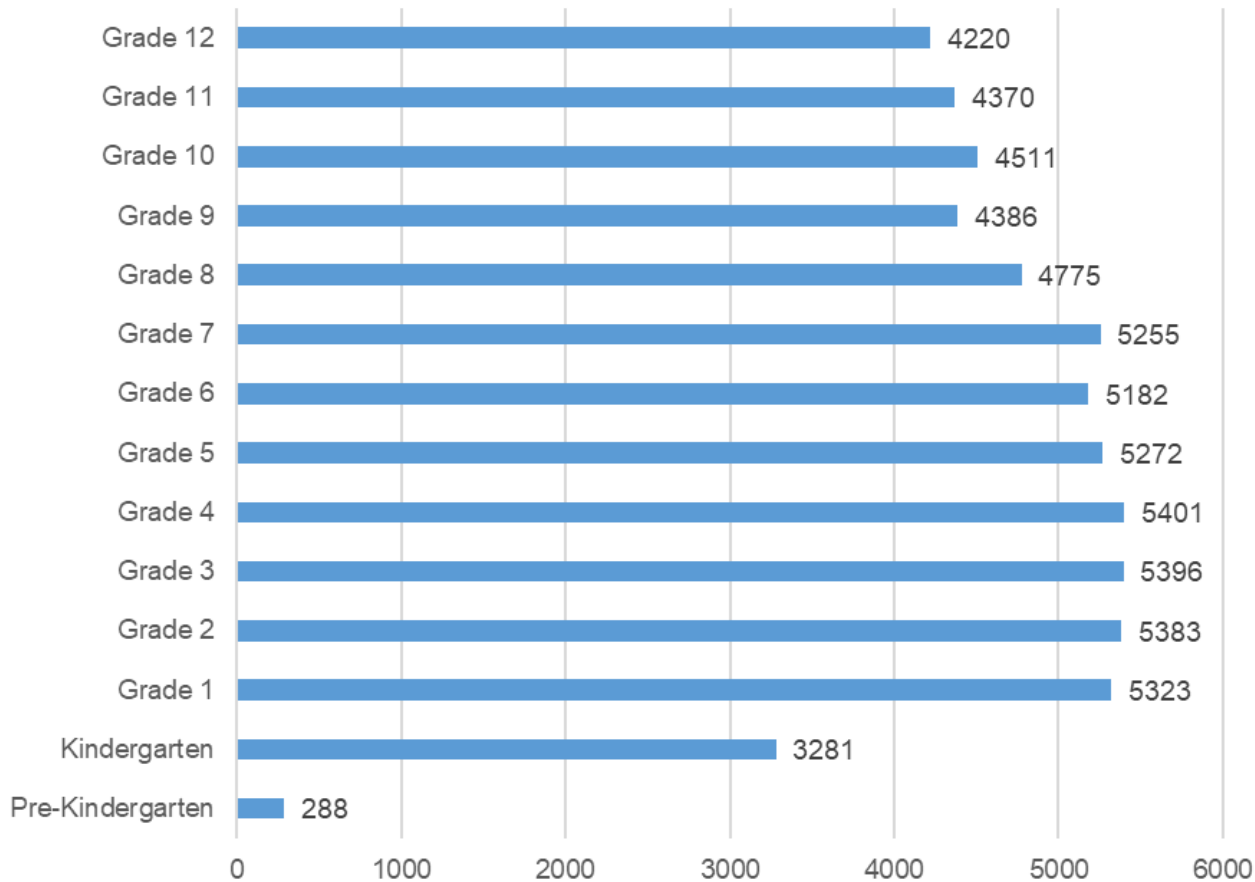
Number of CBE Students Per Family

How many children do you have enrolled in CBE schools for September 2020?
(Responses: 38,022)



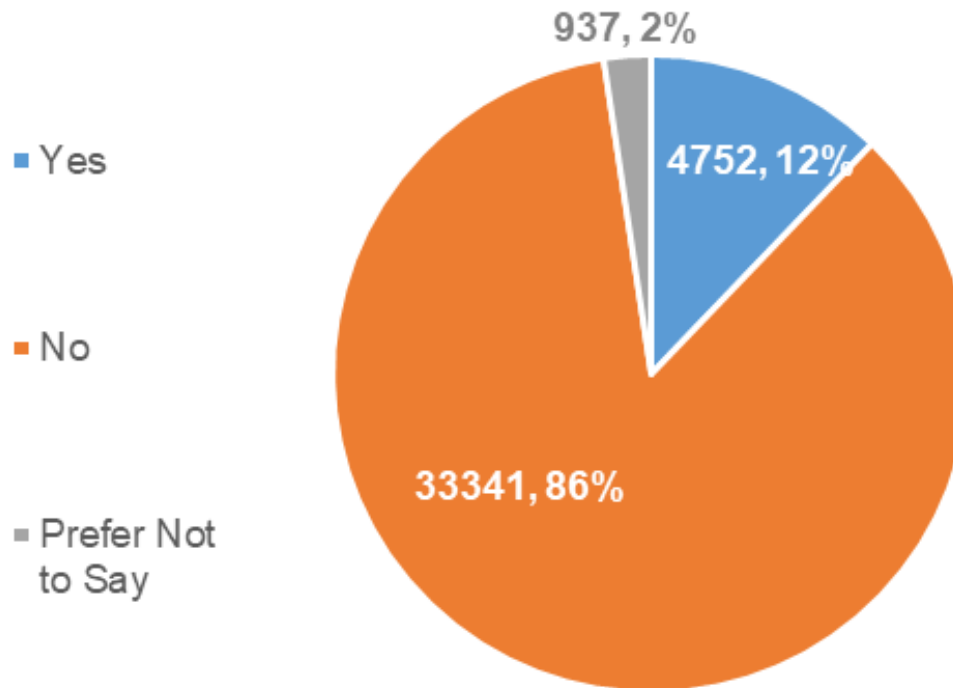
Student Grade Level

What grade(s) are your children enrolled in for September 2020?



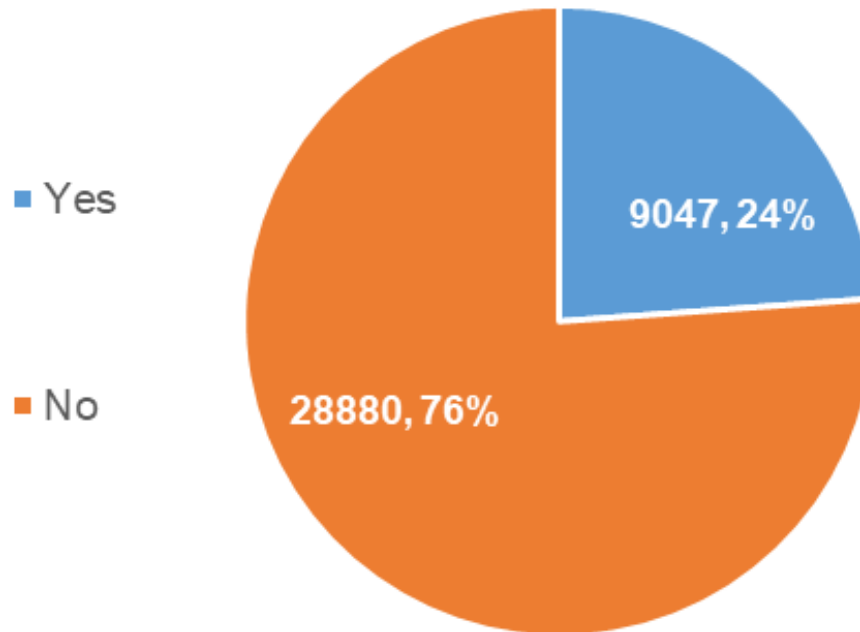
Special Needs

Do any of your children enrolled at CBE schools have special needs?
(Responses: 39,030)



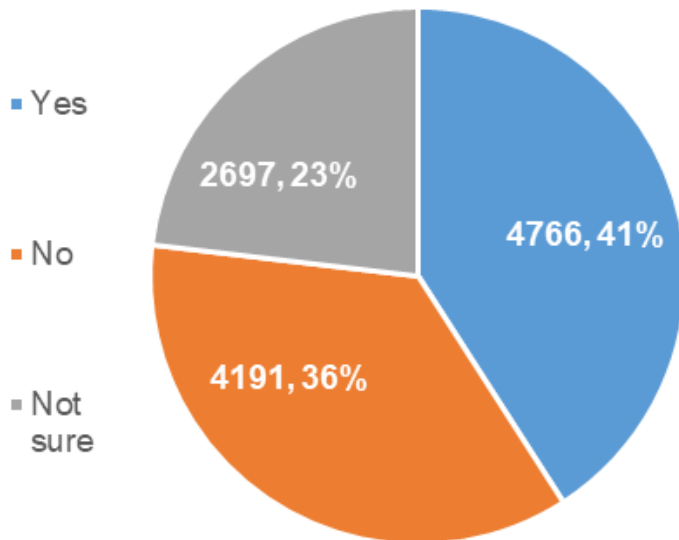
Yellow Bus Transportation

Do your children require yellow bus transportation to get to school?
(Responses: 37,927)

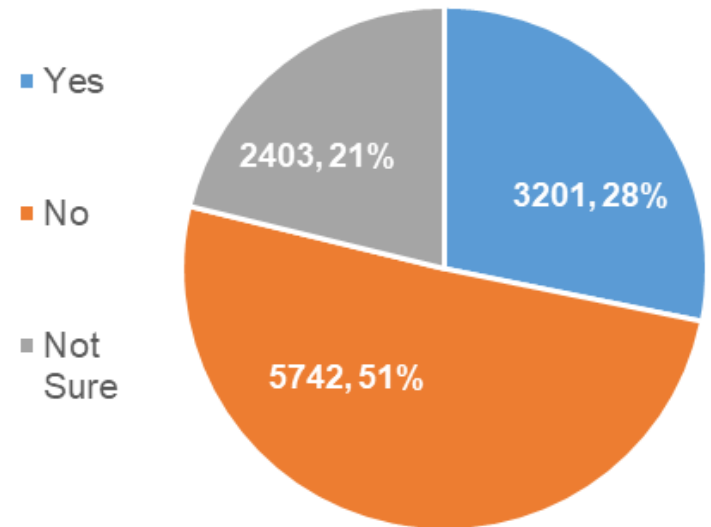


Yellow Bus Transportation

Would you feel comfortable transporting your children on the yellow school bus in the fall?
(Responses: 11,654)

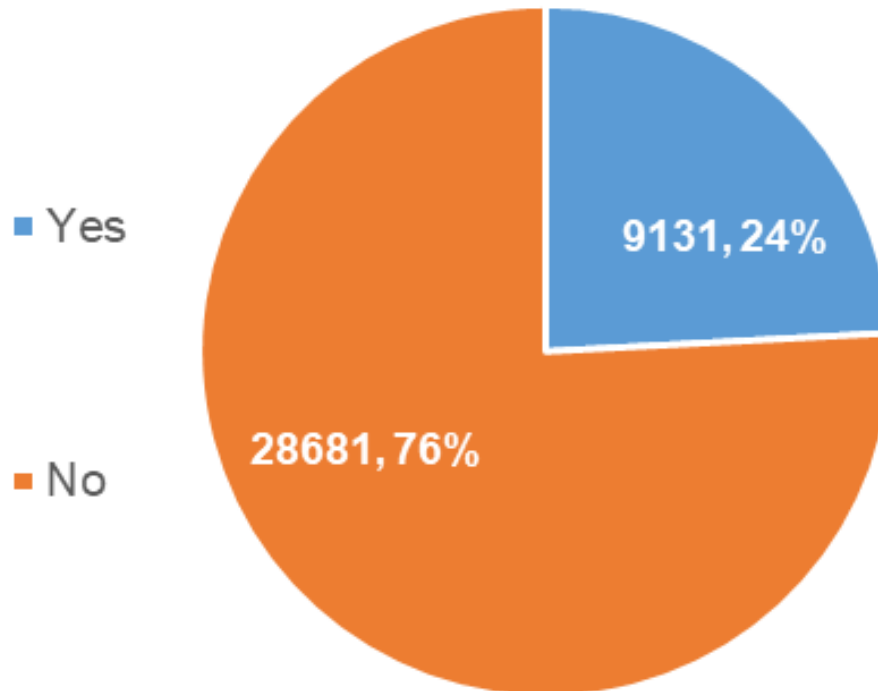


Do you have the capacity to drive your children or have them driven to school this fall if necessary?
(Responses: 11,346)



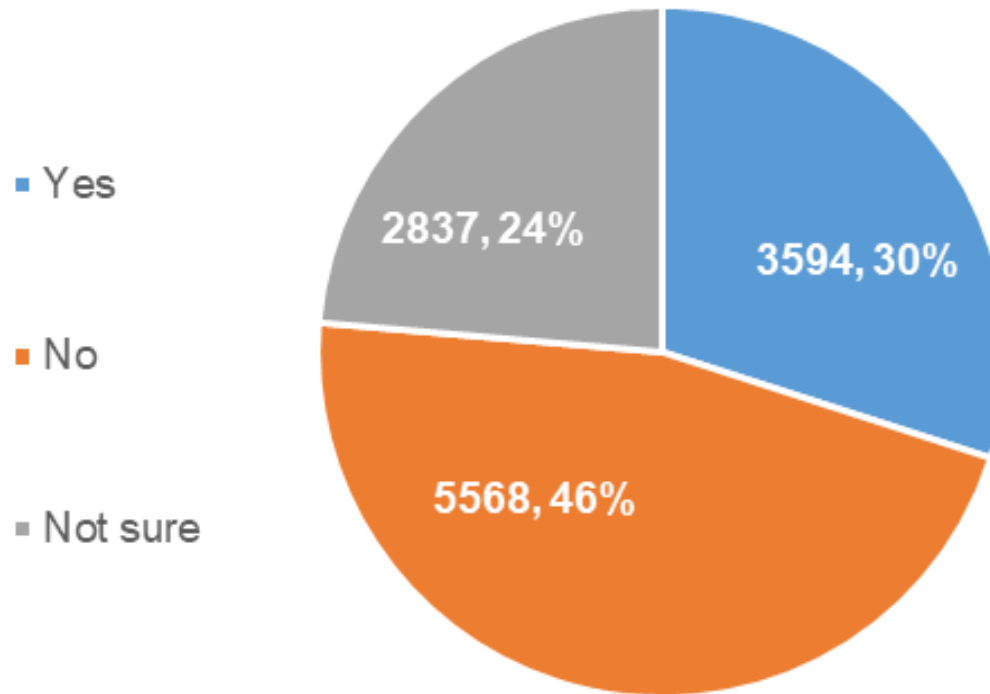
Calgary Transit

Do your children take Calgary Transit to get to school? (Responses: 37,812)



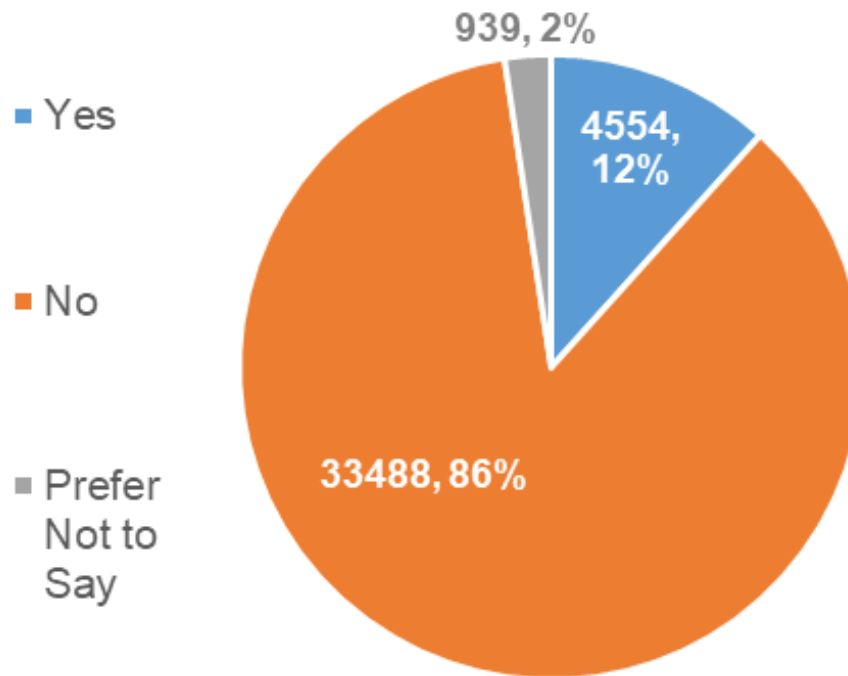
Calgary Transit

Do you feel comfortable with your children taking Calgary Transit to and from school in the fall? (Responses: 11,999)



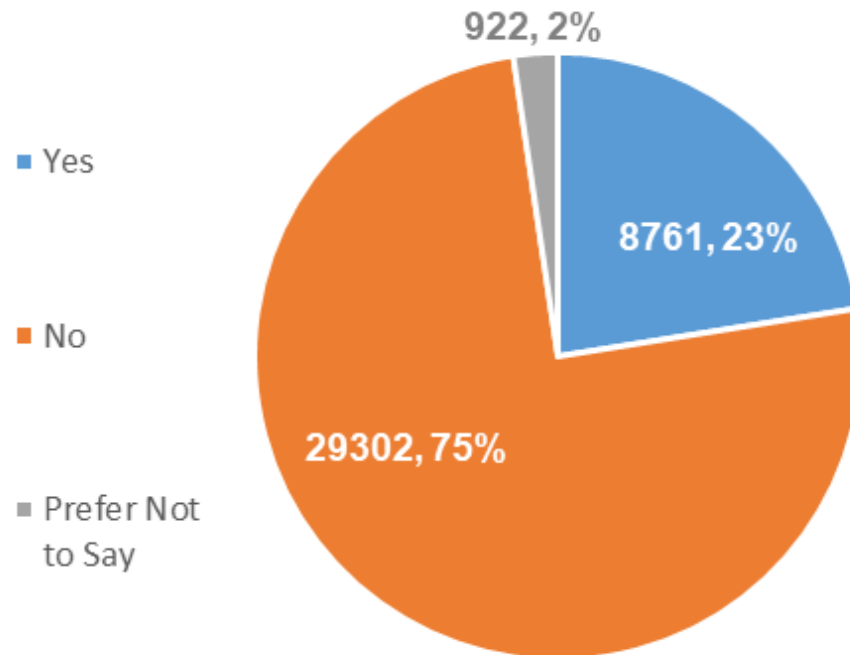
Student Health

Do any of your children enrolled at CBE have underlying health issues that may put them at higher risk should they be exposed to COVID-19? (Responses: 38,981)



Family Health

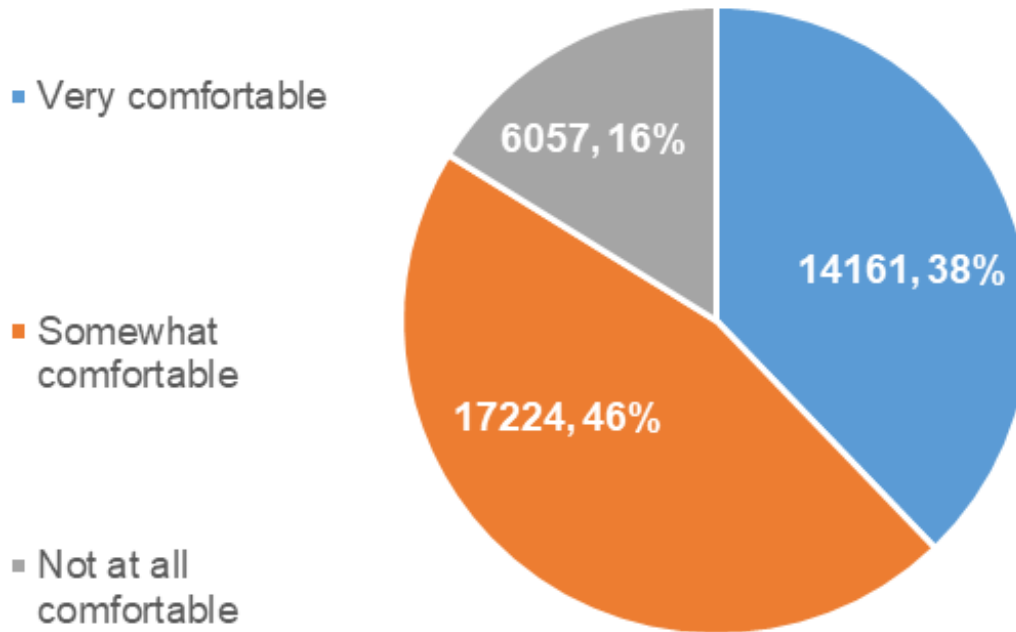
Does anyone in your household have underlying health issues that may put them at higher risk should they be exposed to COVID-19? (Responses: 38,985)



Learning Experiences & Possibilities

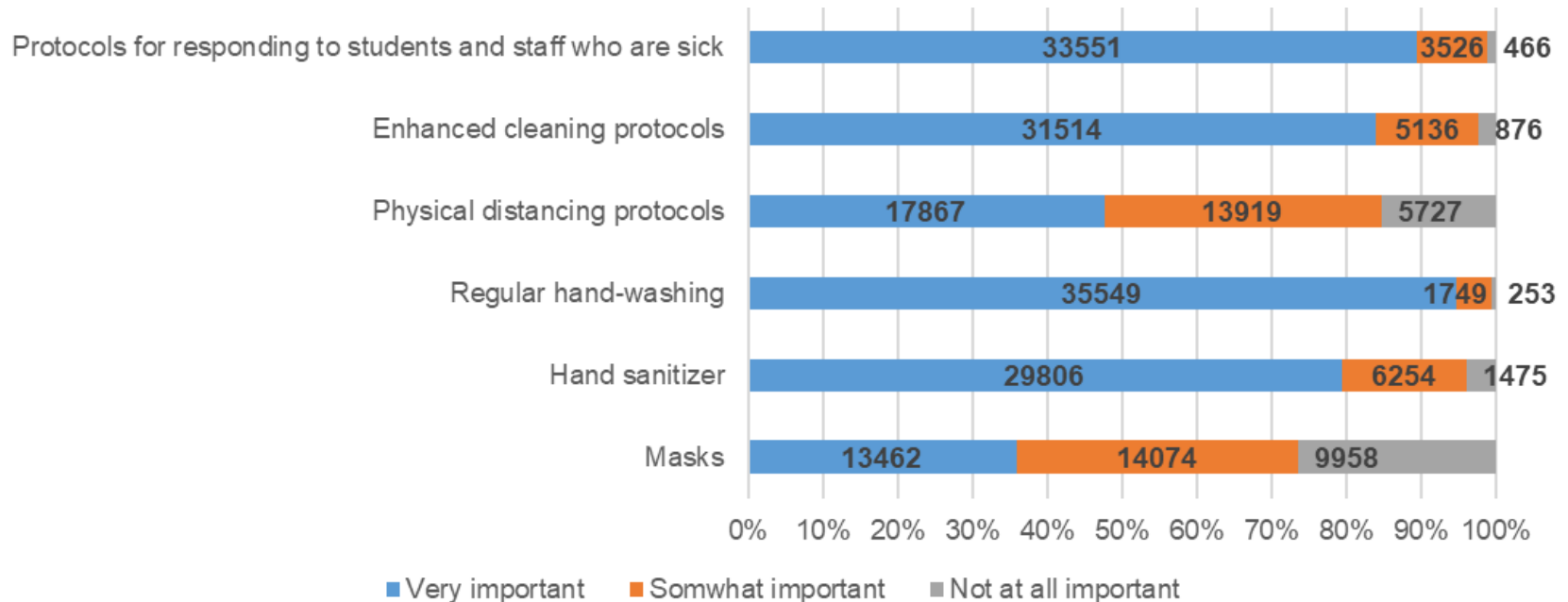
In-Person Learning

How comfortable are you with the possibility of your children going back to in-person classes in the fall? (Responses: 37,442)



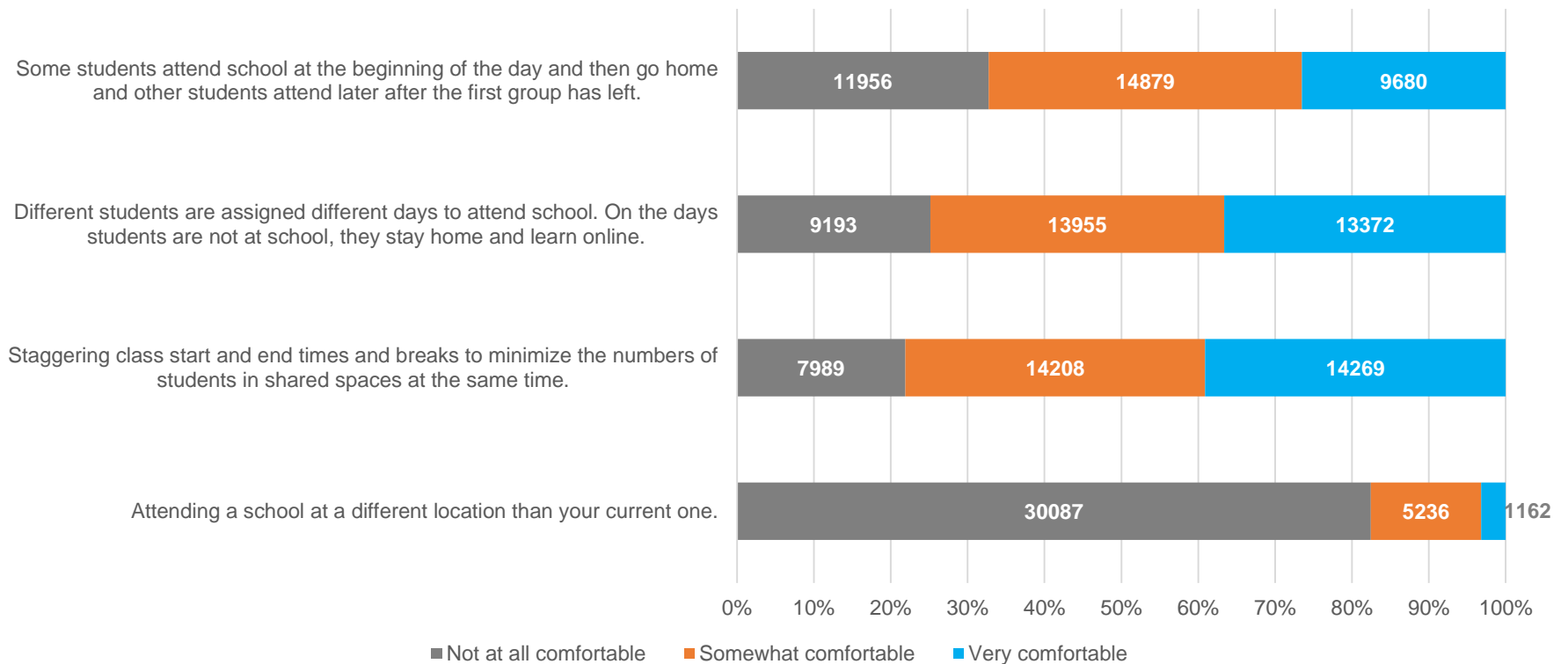
In-Person Learning

The health and safety of our students and staff is our priority and we will continue to follow the direction of the Chief Medical Officer of Health. In the meantime, we would like your input on how important the following measures are in making you feel comfortable with your child or children returning to in-person classes. (Responses: 37,494 to 37,551)



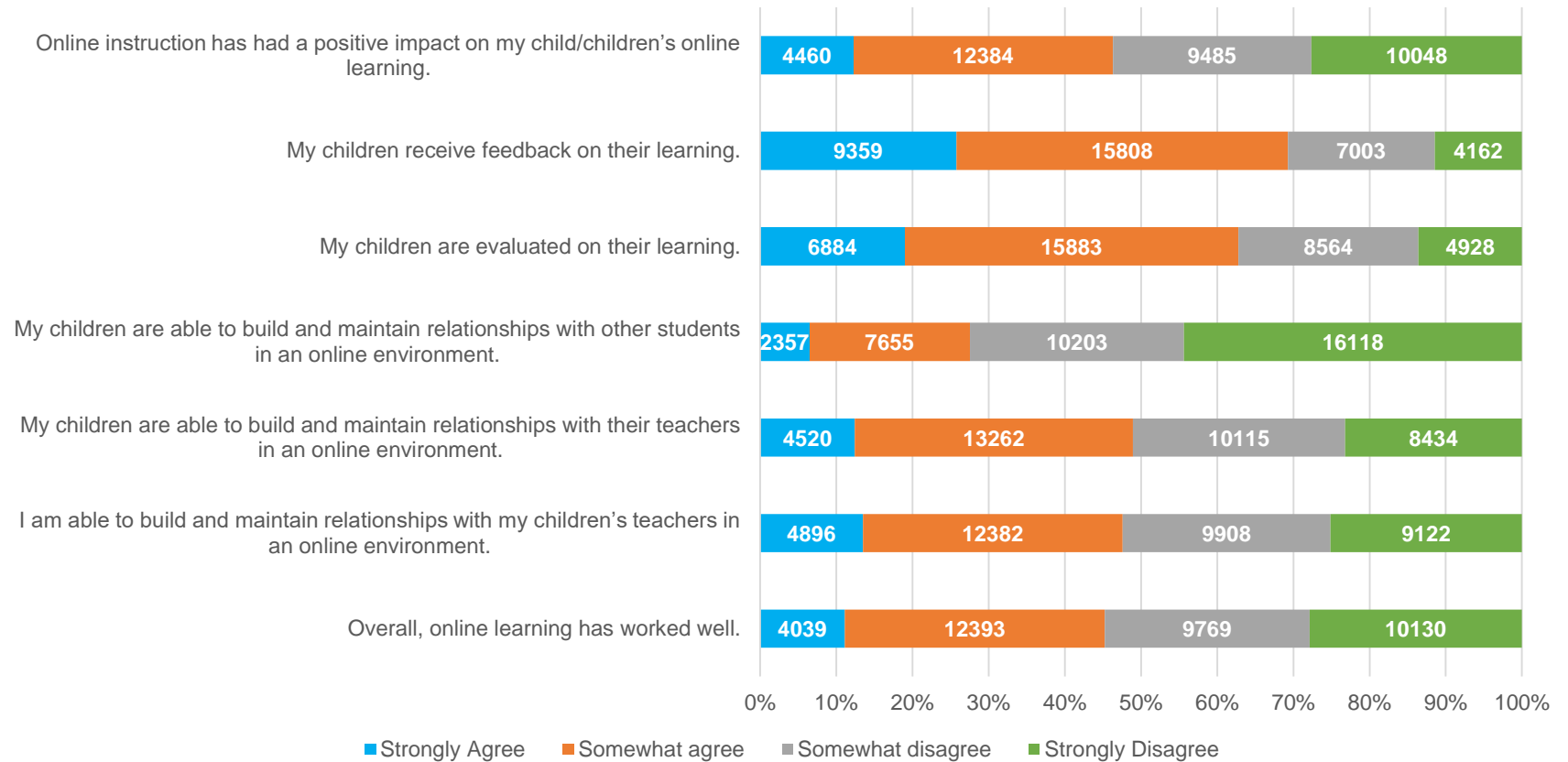
Blended Learning

We may need to consider a blended approach to learning in fall 2020 where some learning happens at school and some learning happens at home, and not all students are in school buildings at the same time. With this in mind, please indicate how comfortable you are with each of the following: (Responses: 36,466 to 36,520)



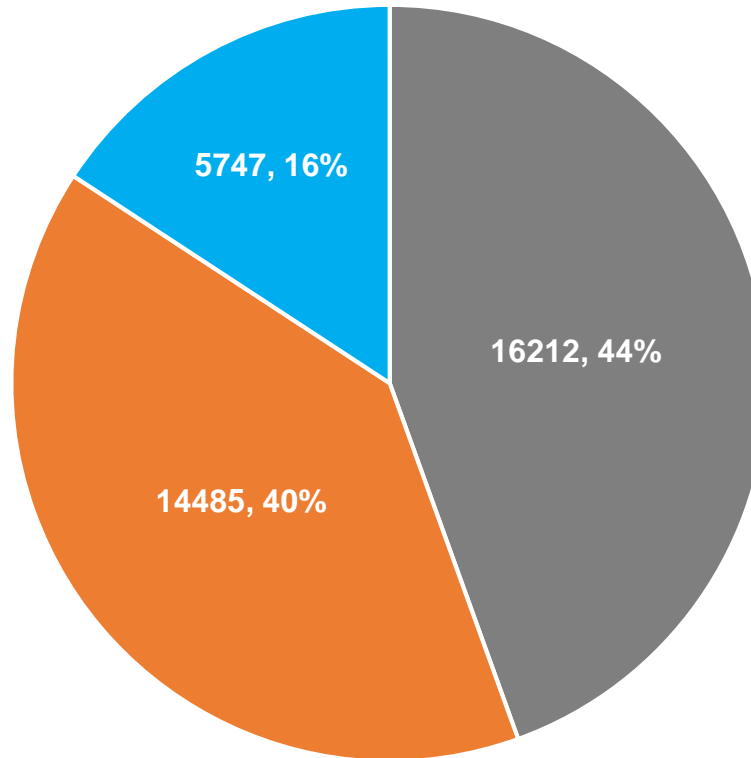
Online Learning

Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements about the time since online learning began in March 2020. (Responses: 36,259 to 36,377)



Online Learning

How comfortable are you with having your children continue with online learning in the fall?
(Responses: 36,444)



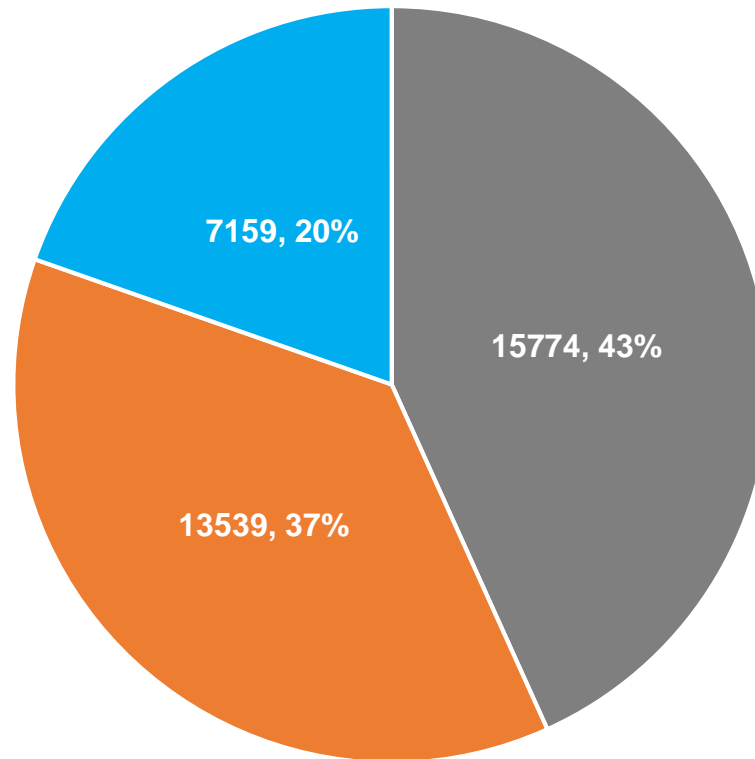
■ Not at all comfortable ■ Somewhat comfortable ■ Very comfortable



Online Learning

How confident are you that you will be able to support your children's online learning in the fall given considerations such as work, childcare, other obligations, etc.?

(Responses: 36,472)

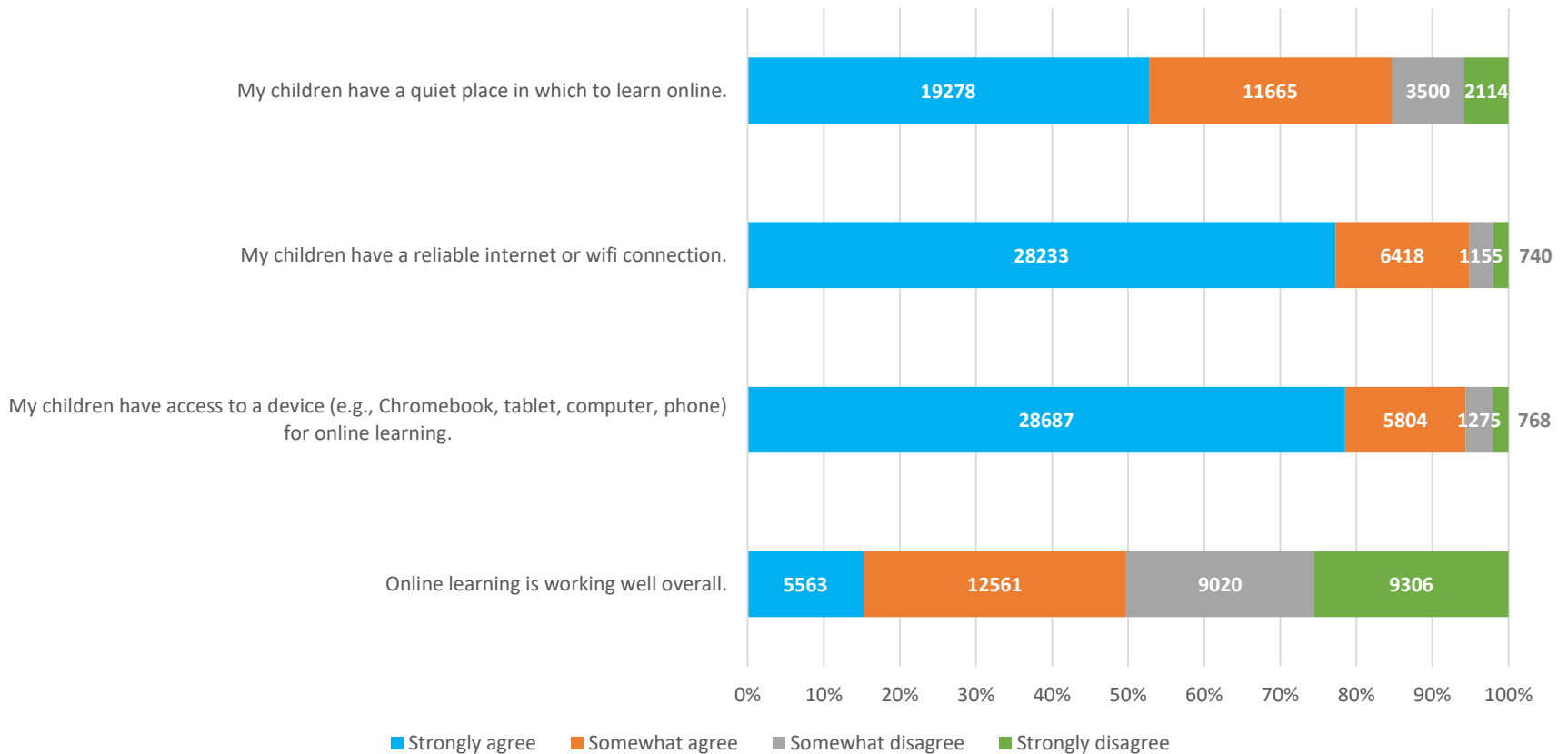


■ Not at all confident ■ Somewhat confident ■ Very confident



Online Learning

Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements about the time since online learning began in March 2020. (Responses: 36,450 to 36,557)

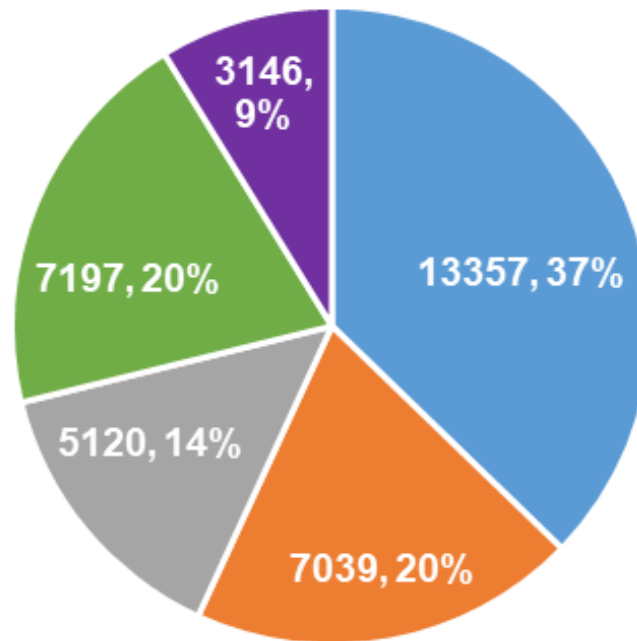


Top Concerns

Biggest Concerns for 2020-21

Of the following, what is your biggest concern as a parent at this time?
(Responses: 35,859)

- My children missing out on learning from teachers
- My children not seeing their friends and socializing.
- My children's mental health.
- My ability to juggle work and support my children's learning.
- How my children will cope going back when schools reopen



Conclusion

- Comments provided in the open-ended question at the end of the survey have been forwarded to the appropriate service unit and staff members involved in that work.
- The Alberta Government has indicated they will confirm plans for fall 2020 with school boards by August 1, 2020. We will follow the direction provided by the government in determining our next steps, and we will update our staff, students and families once new information is available.
- Thank you to everyone who participated in this survey. All the perspectives gathered will be extremely beneficial in our planning.